

***OPERATING MANUAL***  
**Analog Programmable**  
**DC POWER SUPPLIES**  
**Agilent Technologies**  
**Series 654xA, 655xA, 657xA**



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### GENERAL.

This product is a Safety Class 1 instrument (provided with a protective earth terminal). The protective features of this product may be impaired if it is used in a manner not specified in the operation instructions.

Any LEDs used in this product are Class 1 LEDs as per IEC 825-1.

This ISM device complies with Canadian ICES-001. Cet appareil ISM est conforme à la norme NMB-001 du Canada.

### ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

All instruments are intended for indoor use in an installation category II, pollution degree 2 environment. They are designed to operate at a maximum relative humidity of 95% and at altitudes of up to 2000 meters. Refer to the specifications tables for the ac mains voltage requirements and ambient operating temperature range.

### BEFORE APPLYING POWER.

Verify that the instrument is set to match the available line voltage.

### GROUND THE INSTRUMENT.

To minimize shock hazard, the instrument chassis and cover must be connected to an electrical ground. The instrument must be connected to the ac power mains through a three-conductor power cable, with the third wire firmly connected to an electrical ground (safety ground) at the power outlet. Any interruption of the protective (grounding) conductor or disconnection of the protective earth terminal will cause a potential shock hazard that could result in personal injury. If the instrument is to be energized via an external autotransformer for voltage reduction, be certain that the autotransformer common terminal is connected to the neutral (earth pole) of the ac power lines (supply mains).

### FUSES.

Only fuses with the required rated current, voltage and specified type (normal blow, time delay, etc.) should be used. Do not use repaired fuses or short-circuited fuseholders. To do so could cause a shock or fire hazard.

### DO NOT OPERATE IN AN EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERE.

Do not operate the instrument in the presence of flammable gases or fumes.

### KEEP AWAY FROM LIVE CIRCUITS.

Operating personnel must not remove instrument covers. Component replacement and internal adjustments must be made by qualified service personnel. Do not replace components with power cable connected. Under certain conditions, dangerous voltages may exist even with the power cable removed. To avoid injuries, always disconnect power, discharge circuits and remove external voltage sources before touching components.

### DO NOT EXCEED INPUT RATINGS.

This instrument may be equipped with a line filter to reduce electromagnetic interference and must be connected to a properly grounded receptacle to minimize electric shock hazard. Operation at line voltages or frequencies in excess of those stated on the line rating label may cause leakage currents in excess of 5.0 mA peak.

### SAFETY SYMBOLS.



The WARNING sign denotes a hazard. It calls attention to a procedure, practice, or the like, which, if not correctly performed or adhered to, could result in personal injury. Do not proceed beyond a WARNING sign until the indicated conditions are fully understood and met.





















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## SAFETY SYMBOL DEFINITIONS

Symbol	Description	Symbol	Description
	Direct current		Terminal for Line conductor on permanently installed equipment
	Alternating current		Caution, risk of electric shock
	Both direct and alternating current		Caution, hot surface
	Three-phase alternating current		Caution (refer to accompanying documents)
	Earth (ground) terminal		In position of a bi-stable push control
	Protective earth (ground) terminal		Out position of a bi-stable push control
	Frame or chassis terminal		On (supply)
	Terminal for Neutral conductor on permanently installed equipment		Off (supply)
	Terminal is at earth potential (Used for measurement and control circuits designed to be operated with one terminal at earth potential.)		Standby (supply) Units with this symbol are not completely disconnected from ac mains when this switch is off. To completely disconnect the unit from ac mains, either disconnect the power cord or have a qualified electrician install an external switch.

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b) Single Output 200 Watt Manually Controlled dc Power Supplies

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# General Information

## Introduction

This is the operating manual for your Agilent Series 654xA, 655xA, and 657xA power supplies. Unless otherwise stated, the information in this manual applies to all models in the series. These supplies are the analog-programmable counterparts of the Agilent Series 664xA, 665xA, and 667xA GPIB System power supplies.

## Safety Considerations

This power supply is a Safety Class 1 instrument, which means it has a protective earth terminal. That terminal must be connected to earth ground through a power source equipped with a 3-wire ground receptacle. Refer to the Safety Summary page at the beginning of this manual for general safety information. Before installation or operation, check the power supply and review this manual for safety warnings and instructions. Safety warnings for specific procedures are located at appropriate places in the manual.

## Instrument Identification

The power supply is identified by a unique two-part serial number, such as 3343A 00177. The first part, or prefix, is a number-letter combination that provides the following information:

- 3343** The year and week of manufacture or last significant design change. Add 1960 to the first two digits to determine the year. For example, 33=1993, 34=1994, etc. The last two digits specify the week of the year (43 = the 43rd week).
- A** The letter indicates the country of manufacture, where A = USA.

## Options

List of Options

Option	Description	Used with Agilent Series		
		654xA	655xA	657xA
100	Input power 100 Vac, nominal	X	X	
120	Input power 120 Vac, nominal	X	X	
200	Input power 200 Vac, nominal			X
220	Input power 220 Vac, nominal	X	X	
230	Input power 230 Vac, nominal	X	X	
240	Input power 240 Vac, nominal	X	X	
831	Power cord, 12 AWG, UL listed, CSA certified, without plug			X
832	Power cord, 4 mm <sup>2</sup> , harmonized, without plug			X
834	Power cord, 10 AWG, UL listed, CSA certified, without plug			X
842	Power cord, 4 mm <sup>2</sup> , harmonized, with IEC 309 32A/220V plug			X
843	Power cord, 12 AWG, UL listed, CSA certified, with JIS C8303 25A/250V plug			X
844	Power cord, 10 AWG, UL listed, CSA certified, with NEMA L6-30P 30A/250V locking plug			X

### List of Options (continued)

Option	Description	Used with Agilent Series		
908	Rack mount kit (Agilent 5062-3974)	X		
	Rack mount kit (Agilent 5062-3977)		X	X
909	Rack mount kit with handles (Agilent 5062-3975)	X		
	Rack mount kit with handles (Agilent 5062-3983)		X	X

## Accessories

Agilent No.	Description
1494-0058	Heavy duty slide mount kit for Series 657xA
1494-0059	Standard slide mount kit for Series 655xA
1494-0060	Standard slide mount kit for Series 654xA

## Description

These units form a family of unipolar, analog programmable power supplies organized as follows:

Family	Power	Models
Series 654xA	200 W	Agilent 6541A, 6542A, 6543A 6544A, 6545A
Series 655xA	500 W	Agilent 6551A, 6552A, 6553A, 6554A, 6555A
Series 657xA	2000 W	Agilent 6571A, 6572A, 6573A, 6574A, 6575A

This family is similar in performance to the corresponding GPIB system power supplies.

Analog Family	Corresponding GPIB Family
Agilent 654xA	Agilent 664xA
Agilent 655xA	Agilent 665xA
Agilent 657xA	Agilent 667xA

Each power supply is programmable locally from the front panel or remotely via a rear-panel analog control port. Operational features include:

- Constant voltage (CV) or constant current (CC) output over the rated output range.
- Built-in overvoltage (OV), overcurrent (OC), and overtemperature (OT) protection.
- Automatic turn-on selftest.
- Pushbutton nonvolatile storage and recall of up to 5 operating states.
- Local or remote sensing of output voltage.
- Auto-parallel operation for increased total current.
- Series operation for increased total voltage.
- Analog input for remote programming of voltage and current.
- Voltage output for external monitoring of output current.
- User calibration from the front panel.

## Front Panel Programming

The front panel has both rotary (RPG) and keypad controls for setting the output voltage and current. The panel display provides digital readouts of the output voltage and current. Other front panel controls permit:

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- Enabling or disabling the output.
- Setting the overvoltage protection (OVP) trip voltage.
- Enabling or disabling the overcurrent protection (OCP) feature.
- Saving and recalling operating states.
- Calibrating the power supply.

## Analog Programming

The power supply has an analog port for remote programming. The output voltage and/or current of the power supply may be controlled by d-c programming voltages applied to this port. The port also provides a monitor output that supplies a d-c voltage proportional to the output current.

## Output Characteristic

### General

The power supply can operate in either CV (constant voltage) or CC (constant current) over its voltage and current ratings (see “Performance Specifications”). The operating locus is shown by the output Characteristic Curve in “Supplemental Characteristics”. The operating point is determined by the voltage setting ( $V_s$ ), the current setting ( $I_s$ ), and the load impedance. Two operating points are shown. Point 1 is defined by the load line cutting the operating locus in the constant-voltage region. This region defines the CV mode. Point 2 is defined by the load line cutting the operating locus in the constant-current region. This region defines the CC mode.

### Downprogramming

The power supply can sink current for more rapid down programming in the CV mode. For Series 654xA and 655xA supplies, this capability is defined by the second quadrant area ( $-I_s$ ) of the Output Characteristic Curve. These supplies can sink about 20% of their maximum rated positive output current. For Series 657xA power supplies, this is an uncharacterized current-sinking area that provides a limited downprogramming capability.

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## Specifications and Supplemental Characteristics

Table 1-1 lists the specifications and supplemental characteristics of the Series 654xA and 655xA power supplies. Table 1-2 lists the specifications and supplemental characteristics for the Series 657xA power supplies. Specifications are warranted over the specified temperature range. Supplemental characteristics are not warranted but are descriptions of performance determined either by design or type testing.

**Table 1-1a. Performance Specifications for Series 654xA and 655xA (Note 1)**

Parameter	Agilent Model Number and Parameter Value				
Specifications are warranted over the temperature range 0 to 55° C with a resistive load and the output connected for local sensing.					
<b>Output Ratings</b>					
<b>Voltage:</b>	<b>6541A/6551A</b> 0 - 8 V	<b>6542A/6552A</b> 0 - 20 V	<b>6543A/6553A</b> 0 - 35 V	<b>6544A/6554A</b> 0 - 60 V	<b>6545A/6555A</b> 0 - 120 V
<b>Current:*</b>	<b>6541A</b> 0 - 20 A <b>6551A</b> 0 - 50 A	<b>6542A</b> 0 - 10 A <b>6552A</b> 0 - 25 A	<b>6543A</b> 0 - 6 A <b>6553A</b> 0 - 15 A	<b>6544A</b> 0 - 3.5 A <b>6554A</b> 0 - 9 A	<b>6545A</b> 0 - 1.5 A <b>6555A</b> 0 - 4 A
*Derate the output current 1% per °C from 40° C to 55° C.					
<b>Front Panel Programming Accuracy (@ 25° ± 5 °C)</b>					
<b>Voltage:)</b>	<b>6541A/6551A</b> 0.06% +5 mV	<b>6542A/6552A</b> 0.06% +10 mV	<b>6543A/6553A</b> 0.06% +15 mV	<b>6544A/6554A</b> 0.06% +26 mV	<b>6545A/6555A</b> 0.06% +51 mV
<b>Current:</b>	<b>6541A</b> 0.14 % +26mA <b>6551A</b> 0.15 % +60mA	<b>6542A</b> 0.14 % +13mA <b>6552A</b> 0.15 % +25mA	<b>6543A</b> 0.14 % +7mA <b>6553A</b> 0.15 % +13mA	<b>6544A</b> 0.14 % +4mA <b>6554A</b> 0.15 % +8mA	<b>6545A</b> 0.14 % +2mA <b>6555A</b> 0.15 % +4mA
<b>Ripple &amp; Noise (from 20 Hz to 20 MHz with outputs ungrounded, or with either output terminal grounded)</b>					
<b>Constant Voltage (rms):</b>	<b>6541A/6551A</b> 300 µV	<b>6542A/6552A</b> 300 µV	<b>6543A/6553A</b> 400 µV	<b>6544A/6554A</b> 500 µV	<b>6545A/6555A</b> 700 µV
<b>Constant Voltage (p-p):</b>	<b>6541A/6551A</b> 3 mV	<b>6542A/6552A</b> 3 mV	<b>6543A/6553A</b> 4 mV	<b>6544A/6554A</b> 5 mV	<b>6545A/6555A</b> 7 mV
<b>Constant Current (rms):</b>	<b>6541A</b> 10 mA <b>6551A</b> 25 mA	<b>6542A</b> 5 mA <b>6552A</b> 10 mA	<b>6543A</b> 3 mA <b>6553A</b> 5 mA	<b>6544A</b> 1.5 mA <b>6554A</b> 3 mA	<b>6545A</b> 1 mA <b>6555A</b> 2 mA
<b>Readback Accuracy (with respect to actual output @ 25° C ± 5 °C)</b>					
<b>Voltage:</b>	<b>6541A/6551A</b> 0.07% +6 mV	<b>6542A/6552A</b> 0.07% +15 mV	<b>6543A/6553A</b> 0.07% +25 mV	<b>6544A/6554A</b> 0.07% +40 mV	<b>6545A/6555A</b> 0.07% +80 mV
<b>+Current</b>	<b>6541A</b> 0.15% +26 mA <b>6551A</b> 0.15% +67 mA	<b>6542A</b> 0.15% +13 mA <b>6552A</b> 0.15% +26 mA	<b>6543A</b> 0.15% +6.7 mA <b>6553A</b> 0.15% +15 mA	<b>6544A</b> 0.15% +4.1 mA <b>6554A</b> 0.15% +7 mA	<b>6545A</b> 0.15% +1.7 mA <b>6555A</b> 0.15% +3 mA
<b>-Current</b>	<b>6541A</b> 0.35% +40 mA <b>6551A</b> 0.35% +100 mA	<b>6542A</b> 0.35% +20 mA <b>6552A</b> 0.35% +44 mA	<b>6543A</b> 0.35% +12 mA <b>6553A</b> 0.35% +24 mA	<b>6544A</b> 0.35% +6.8 mA <b>6554A</b> 0.35% +15 mA	<b>6545A</b> 0.35% +2.9 mA <b>6555A</b> 0.35% +7 mA
<b>Load Regulation (change in output voltage or current for any load change within ratings)</b>					
<b>Voltage:</b>	<b>6541A/6551A</b> 1 mV	<b>6542A/6552A</b> 2 mV	<b>6543A/6553A</b> 3 mV	<b>6544A/6554A</b> 4 mV	<b>6545A/6555A</b> 5 mV
<b>Current:</b>	<b>6541A</b> 1 mA <b>6551A</b> 2 mA	<b>6542A</b> 0.5 mA <b>6552A</b> 1 mA	<b>6543A</b> 0.25 mA <b>6553A</b> 0.5 mA	<b>6544A</b> 0.25 mA <b>6554A</b> 0.5 mA	<b>6545A</b> 0.25 mA <b>6555A</b> 0.5 mA
<b>Line Regulation (change in output voltage or current for any line change within ratings)</b>					
<b>Voltage:</b>	<b>6541A/6551A</b> 0.5 mV	<b>6542A/6552A</b> 0.5 mV	<b>6543A/6553A</b> 1 mV	<b>6544A/6554A</b> 1 mV	<b>6545A/6555A</b> 2 mV
<b>Current:</b>	<b>6541A</b> 1 mA <b>6551A</b> 2 mA	<b>6542A</b> 0.5 mA <b>6552A</b> 1 mA	<b>6543A</b> 0.25 mA <b>6553A</b> 0.75 mA	<b>6544A</b> 0.25 mA <b>6554A</b> 0.5 mA	<b>6545A</b> 0.25 mA <b>6555A</b> 0.5 mA

**Table 1-1a. Performance Specifications for Series 654xA and 655xA (continued)**

Parameter	Agilent Model Number and Parameter Value
<b>Transient Response Time</b>	< 100 $\mu$ s for the output voltage to recover to its previous level (within 0.1% of the rated voltage or 20 mV, whichever is greater) following any step change in load current up to 50% of the rated current.
<b>AC Input Ratings</b> (selectable via internal switching - see Appendix B)	
<b>Nominal line voltage:</b>	100, 120, 220, 240 Vac (-13%, +6 %) 230 Vac (-10%, +10%) (Note 2)
<b>Frequency:</b>	50/60 Hz
<b>Output Terminal Isolation</b>	$\pm$ 240 Vdc (maximum, from chassis ground)
Notes 1: For Supplemental Characteristics, see Table 1-1b. 2: For 230Vac operation, unit is internally set to 240Vac	

**Table 1-1b. Supplemental Characteristics for Series 654xA and 655xA (Note 1)**

Parameter	Agilent Model Number and Parameter Value				
Output Programming Range (maximum programmable values)					
Voltage:	6541A/6551A 8.190 V	6542A/6552A 20.475 V	6543A/6553A 35.831 V	6544A/6554A 61.425 V	6545A/6555A 122.85 V
Overvoltage Protection:	6541A/6551A 8.8 V	6542A/6552A 22.0 V	6543A/6553A 38.5 V	6544A/6554A 66.0 V	6545A/6555A 132.0 V
Current:	6541A 20.475 A	6542A 10.237 A	6543A 6.142 A	6544A 3.583 A	6545A 1.535 A
	6551A 51.88 A	6552A 25.594 A	6553A 15.356 A	6554A 9.214 A	6555A 4.095 A
Average Resolution					
Voltage:	6541A/6551A 2 mV	6542A/6552A 5 mV	6543A/6553A 10 mV	6544A/6554A 15 mV	6545A/6555A 30 mV
Current:	6541A 6 mA	6542A 3 mA	6543A 2 mA	6544A 1 mA	6545A 0.5 mA
	6551A 15 mA	6552A 7 mA	6553A 4 mA	6554A 2.5 mA	6555A 1.25 mA
Overvoltage Protection:	6541A/6551A 13 mV	6542A/6552A 30 mV	6543A/6553A 54 mV	6544A/6554A 93 mV	6545A/6555A 190 mV
Accuracy					
Overvoltage Protection:	6541A/6551A 160 mV	6542A/6552A 400 mV	6543A/6553A 700 mV	6544A/6554A 1.2 V	6545A/6555A 2.4 V
Analog Programming (VP):*	6541A/6551A 0.26% +6 mV	6542A/6552A 0.26% +15 mV	6543A/6553A 0.26% +27 mV	6544A/6554A 0.26% +45 mV	6545A/6555A 0.26% +90 mV
Analog Programming (IP):*	6541A 7.6% +18 mA	6542A 7.6% +9.2 mA	6543A 1.5%+5.5 mA	6544A 1.5%+3.2 mA	6545A 1.5%+1.4 mA
	6551A 7% +75 mA	6552A 7% +31 mA	6553A 7% +16 mA	6554A 7% +8 mA	6555A 7% +5 mA
Current Monitor (+IM):*	6541A 7.6% +65 mA	6542A 7.6% +32 mA	6543A 1.6% +8.1 mA	6544A 1.6% +7.1 mA	6545A 1.6% +1.8 mA
	6551A 7% +730 mA	6552A 7% +400 mA	6553A 7% +120 mA	6554A 7% +80 mA	6555A 7% +75 mA
*Referenced to supply output					
Note 1: For Performance Specifications, see Table 1-1a.					

**Table 1-1b. Supplemental Characteristics for Series 654xA and 655xA (continued)**

Parameter	Agilent Model Number and Parameter Value				
Drift Temperature Stability (following a 30-minute warmup, change in output over 8 hours under constant line, load, and ambient temperature)					
Voltage:	6541A/6551A 0.02% +0.4 mV	6542A/6552A 0.02% +1 mV	6543A/6553A 0.02% +2 mV	6544A/6554A 0.02% +3 mV	6545A/6555A 0.02% +6 mV
Current:	6541A 0.02% +16 mA 6551A 0.02% +40 mA	6542A 0.02% +6 mA 6552A 0.02% +15 mA	6543A 0.02% +3 mA 6553A 0.02% +8 mA	6544A 0.02% +2 mA 6554A 0.02% +5 mA	6545A 0.02% + 1mA 6555A 0.02% + 2.5mA
Temperature Coefficients (change per °C)					
Voltage:	6541A/6551A 60ppm+0.1mV	6542A/6552A 60 ppm +0.2mV	6543A/6553A 60 ppm +0.3mV	6544A/6554A 60 ppm +0.5mV	6545A/6555A 60 ppm+1.1mV
Current:	6541A 95ppm+0.82mA 6551A 90ppm+1.4mA	6542A 95ppm+0.41mA 6552A 90ppm+0.7mA	6543A 95ppm+0.18mA 6553A 90ppm+0.3mA	6544A 95ppm+0.12mA 6554A 90ppm+0.2mA	6545A 95ppm+0.04mA 6555A 90ppm+0.2mA
Voltage Readback:	6541A/6551A 60ppm+0.2mV	6542A/6552A 60ppm +0.5 mV	6543A/6553A 60ppm+0.75mV	6544A/6554A 60 ppm +1.3mV	6545A/6555A 60 ppm+2.6mV
+Current Readback:	6541A 95ppm+1.2mA 6551A 90ppm+1.7mA	6542A 95ppm+0.62mA 6552A 90ppm+0.9mA	6543A 95ppm+0.33mA 6553A 90ppm+0.5mA	6544A 95ppm+0.20mA 6554A 90ppm+0.3mA	6545A 95ppm+0.08mA 6555A 90ppm+0.2mA
-Current Readback:	6541A 110ppm+1.2mA 6551A 100ppm+1.7mA	6542A 110ppm+0.62mA 6552A 100ppm+0.9mA	6543A 110ppm+0.33mA 6553A 100ppm+0.5mA	6544A 110ppm+0.20mA 6554A 100ppm+0.3mA	6545A 110ppm+0.08mA 6555A 100ppm+0.2mA
Overvoltage Protection:	6541A/6551A 200ppm+1.6mV	6542A/6552A 200ppm+3.3mV	6543A/6553A 200ppm+5mV	6544A/6554A 200ppm+13mV	6545A/6555A 200ppm+24mV
Analog Programming (VP):	6541A/6551A 60 ppm +0.1mV	6542A/6552A 60ppm+0.25mV	6543A/6553A 60 ppm +0.4mV	6544A/6554A 60 ppm +0.7mV	6545A/6555A 60ppm+1.25mV
Analog Programming (IP):	6541A 90ppm+0.56mA 6551A 85ppm+1.4mA	6542A 90ppm+0.28mA 6552A 85ppm+0.7mA	6543A 90ppm+0.17mA 6553A 85ppm+0.3mA	6544A 90ppm+0.1 mA 6554A 85ppm+0.2mA	6545A 90ppm+0.04mA 6555A 85ppm+0.15mA
Current Monitor (+IM):	6541A 75ppm+0.61mA 6551A 80ppm+1.4mA	6542A 75ppm +0.3mA 6552A 80ppm+0.7mA	6543A 75ppm+0.06mA 6553A 80ppm+0.3mA	6544A 75ppm+0.06mA 6554A 80ppm+0.2mA	6545A 75ppm+0.02mA 6555A 80ppm+0.15mA
Maximum Input Power:	Series 654xA: 480 VA; 400 W; 60 W with no load Series 655xA: 1380 VA; 1100 W; 120 W with no load				
Maximum AC Line Current Ratings	Series 654xA		Series 655xA		
100 Vac nominal:	4.4 A rms		12 A rms		
120 Vac nominal:	3.8 A rms		10 A rms		
220 Vac nominal:	2.2 A rms		5.7 A rms		
230 Vac nominal:	2.1 A rms		5.5 A rms		
240 Vac nominal:	2.0 A rms		5.3 A rms		



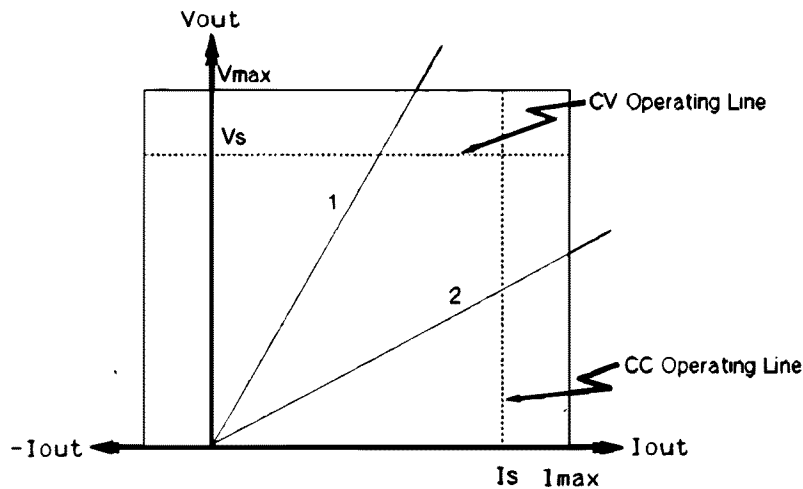
**Table 1-1b. Supplemental Characteristics for Series 654xA and 655xA (continued)**

Parameter	Agilent Model Number and Parameter Value					
Maximum Reverse Bias Current:	With AC input power applied and the dc output reverse biased by an external dc source, the supply will continuously withstand without damage a current equal to its output current rating.					
Remote Sensing Capability Voltage Drop Per Lead:	Up to 1/2 of rated output voltage.					
Load Voltage:	Subtract voltage drop in load leads from specified output voltage rating.					
Load Regulation:	Add 3 mV to spec (see Table 1-1a) for each 1-volt change in the + output lead due to load current changes.					
Downprogrammer Current Capability (± 15%):						
	Agilent 6541 5.8 A	Agilent 6542 2.5 A	Agilent 6543 1.5 A	Agilent 6544 0.9 A	Agilent 6545 0.75 A	
	Agilent 6551 11.6 A	Agilent 6552 5 A	Agilent 6553 3 A	Agilent 6554 1.8 A	Agilent 6555 1.5 A	
Monotonicity:	Output is monotonic over entire rated voltage, current, and temperature range.					
Auto-Parallel Configuration:	Up to 3 identical models					
Analog Programming (IP & VP) Input Signal:* Input Impedance: *Signal source must be isolated.	0 to -5 V 10 kΩ, nominal					
Current Monitor Output:	0 to -5 V represents zero to full-scale current output.					
Savable States	5					
Nonvolatile Memory						
Locations:	5 ( 0 through 4)					
Nonvolatile Memory Write Cycles:	40,000, typical					
Recommended Calibration Interval:	1 year					
Safety Compliance Complies with: Designed to comply with:	CSA 22.2 No.231, IEC 348, UL 1244 VDE 0411					
RFI Suppression (complies with):	FTZ 1046/84, Level B					

**Table 1-1b. Supplemental Characteristics for Series 654xA and 655xA (continued)**

Parameter	Agilent Model Number and Parameter Value		
<b>Dimensions</b>			
<b>Width:</b>	<b>Series 654xA</b> 425.5 mm (16.75 in)		<b>Series 655xA</b> 425.5 mm (16.75 in)
<b>Height:</b>	88.1 mm (3.5 in)		132.6 mm (5.22 in)
<b>Depth:</b>	439 mm (17.3 in)		497.8 mm (19.6 in)
<b>Weight</b>	<b>Series 654xA</b>		<b>Series 655xA</b>
<b>Net:</b>	14.2 kg (31.4 lb)		25 kg (54 lb)
<b>Shipping:</b>	16.3 kg (36 lb)		28 kg (61 lb)

**Output Characteristic Curve:**



**Maximum Rated Output**

Agilent Model	$V_{out}$	$I_{out}$	$-I_{out}$
6541A	8 V	20 A	5 A
6542A	20 V	10 A	2 A
6543A	35 V	6 A	1.3 A
6544A	60 V	3.5 A	0.75 A
6545A	120 V	1.5 A	0.64 A
6551A	8 V	50 A	10 A
6552A	20 V	25 A	4.3 A
6553A	35 V	15 A	2.6 A
6554A	60 V	9 A	1.6 A
6555A	120 V	4 A	1.3 A

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**Table 1-1b. Supplemental Characteristics for Series 654xA and 655xA (continued)**

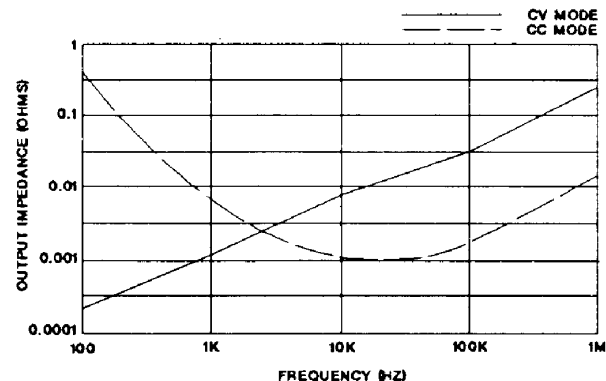
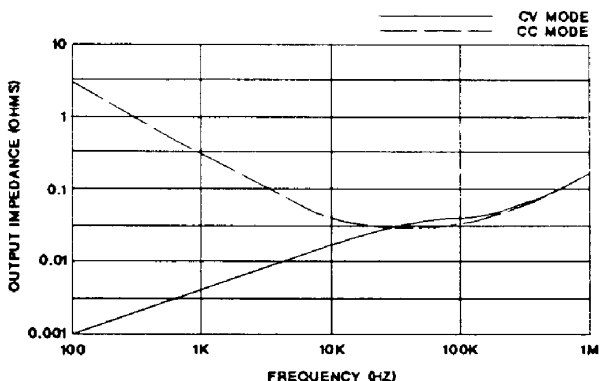
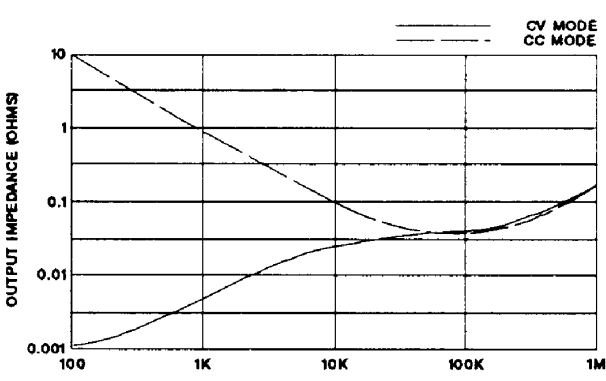
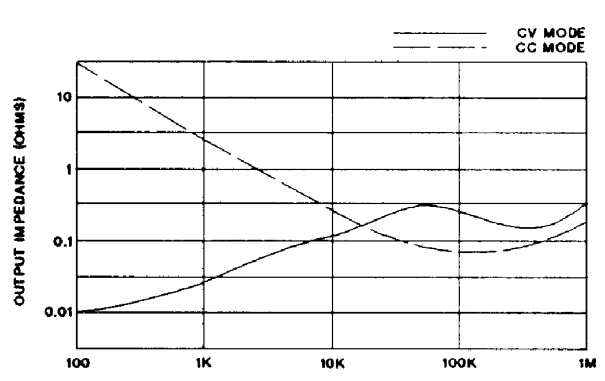
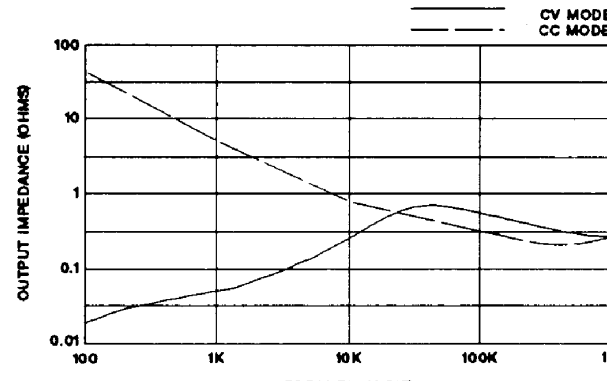
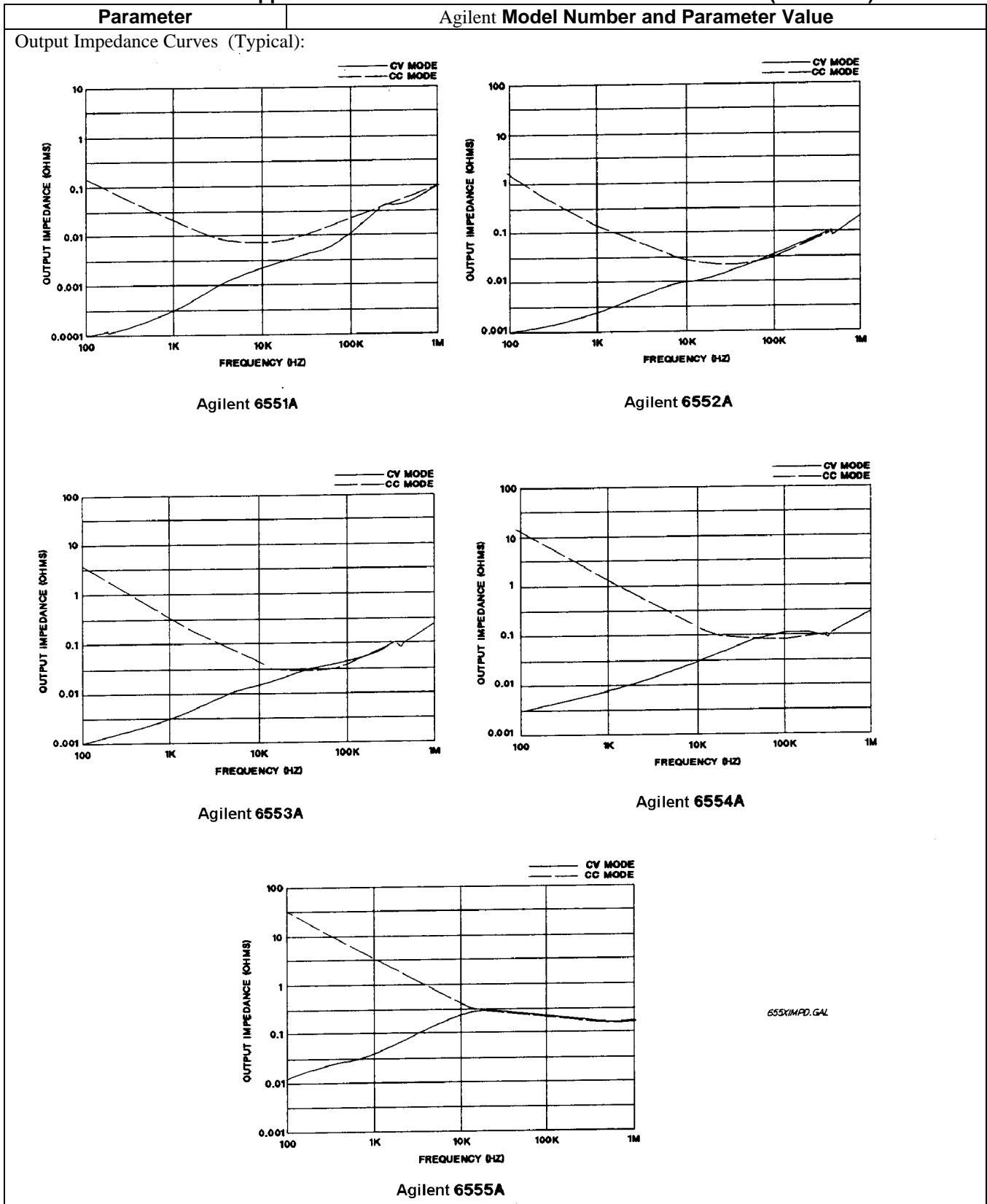
Parameter	Agilent Model Number and Parameter Value	
Output Impedance Agilent 654xA (Typical):		
		
	Agilent 6541A	Agilent 6542A
		
	Agilent 6543A	Agilent 6544A
		654X1MPD.GAL
	Agilent 6545A	

Table 1-1b. Supplemental Characteristics for Series 654xA and 655xA (continued)



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**Table 1-2a. Performance Specifications for Series 657xA<sup>1</sup>**

Parameter	Agilent 6571A	Agilent 6572A	Agilent 6573A	Agilent 6574A	Agilent 6575A
Specifications are warranted over the temperature range 0 to 55° C with a resistive load and the output connected for local sensing.					
Output Ratings					
Voltage:	0 - 8 V	0 - 20 V	0- 35 V	0 - 60 V	0 - 120 V
Current:	0 - 220 A	0 - 100 A	0 - 60 A	0 - 35 A	0 - 18 A
Front Panel Programming Accuracy (@ 25° C ± 5 °C)					
Voltage:	0.04% +8 mV	0.04% +20 mV	0.04% +35 mV	0.04% +60 mV	0.04% +120 mV
Current:	0.11 % +125 mA	0.11 % +60 mA	0.11 % +40 mA	0.11 % +25 mA	0.11 % +12 mA
Ripple & Noise (from 20 Hz to 20 MHz with outputs ungrounded, or with either output terminal grounded)					
Constant Voltage(rms):	650 μV	750 μV	800 μV	1.25 mV	1.9 mV
Constant Voltage (p-p):	7 mV	9 mV	9 mV	11 mV	16 mV
Constant Current (rms):	200 mA	100 mA	40 mA	25 mA	12 mA
Readback Accuracy (with respect to actual output @ 25° C ± 5 °C)					
Voltage:	0.05% +12 mV	0.05% +30 mV	0.05% +50 mV	0.05% +90 mV	0.05% +180 mV
Current	0.1% +150 mA	0.1% +100 mA	0.1% +60 mA	0.1% +35 mA	0.1% +18 mA
Load Regulation (change in output voltage or current for any load change within ratings)					
Voltage:	0.002%+300μV	0.002%+650μV	0.002%+1.2mV	0.002%+2mV	0.002%+4mV
Current:	0.005%+10 mA	0.005%+7 mA	0.005%+4 mA	0.005%+2 mA	0.005%+1 mA
Line Regulation (change in output voltage or current for any line change within ratings)					
Voltage:	0.002%+300μV	0.002%+650μV	0.002%+1.2mV	0.002%+2mV	0.002%+4mV
Current:	0.005%+10 mA	0.005%+7 mA	0.005%+4 mA	0.005%+2 mA	0.005%+1 mA
Transient Response Time					
	< 900 μS for the output voltage to recover to within 100 mV following any step change in load current from 100% to 50%, or 50% to 100% of the rated current.				
AC Input Ratings (selectable via internal switching - see Appendix B)					
Nominal line voltage	174-220 Vac				
200 Vac:					
(Below 185 Vac, derate output voltage linearly to:)	7.8 V	18.0 V	31.5 V	56.5 V	108 V
230 Vac:	191-250 Vac				
Frequency range:	47-63 Hz				
Output Terminal Isolation	±240 Vdc (maximum, from output signal ground)				
Note 1: For Supplemental Characteristics, see Table 1-2b.					

**Table 1-2b. Supplemental Characteristics for Series 657xA (Note 1)**

Parameter	Agilent 6571A	Agilent 6572A	Agilent 6573A	Agilent 6574A	Agilent 6575A
Output Programming Range (maximum programmable values)					
Voltage:	8.190 V	20.475 V	35.831 V	61.425 V	122.85 V
Overvoltage Protection (OVP):	10.0 V	24.0 V	42.0 V	72.0 V	144.0 V
Current:	225.23 A	102.37 A	61.43 A	35.83 A	18.43 A
Average Resolution					
Voltage:	2 mV	5 mV	10 mV	15 mV	30 mV
Current:	55 mA	25 mA	15 mA	8.75 mA	4.5 mA
OV Protection:	15 mV	35 mV	65 mV	100 mV	215 mV
Accuracy (at calibration temperature $\pm 5^{\circ}\text{C}$ )*					
Overvoltage Protection :	200 mV	500 mV	900 mV	1.15 V	3.0 V
Analog Programming (VP):			$\pm 0.3\%$		
Analog Programming (IP):			$\pm 7\%$		
Current Monitor (+IM):			$\pm 7\%$		
*Factory calibration temp =25°C					
Drift Temperature Stability (following a 30-minute warmup, change in output over 8 hours under constant line, load, and ambient temperature)					
Voltage:	0.02%+0.24mV	0.02% +0.6 mV	0.02% +1 mV	0.02% +1.8 mV	0.02% +3.6 mV
Current:	0.02% +69mA	0.02% +35mA	0.02% +20mA	0.02% +10 mA	0.02% +6mA
Temperature Coefficients (change / $^{\circ}\text{C}$ and 30-minute warmup)					
Voltage:	50ppm+0.04mV	50ppm +0.2 mV	50ppm+0.7mV	50ppm +1.2 mV	50 ppm+2.4 mV
Current:	75 ppm +25mA	75 ppm +12 mA	75 ppm +7 mA	75 ppm +4 mA	75 ppm +2 mA
Voltage Readback:	60 ppm +0.1mV	60 ppm +0.3mV	60 ppm +1 mV	60 ppm +1.2mV	60 ppm +3 mV
$\pm$ Current Readback:	85 ppm +30 mA	85 ppm +15 mA	85 ppm +9 mA	85 ppm +5 mA	85 ppm +2.5mA
Overvoltage Protection:	200ppm+1.8mV	200 ppm +5 mV	200 ppm+8mV	200 ppm+13mV	200 ppm+25mV
Analog Programming (VP):	60 ppm +0.1mV	60 ppm +0.3mV	60ppm+0.5mV	60 ppm +0.7mV	60 ppm +1.5mV
Analog Programming ( $\pm$ IP):	275ppm+26mA	275 ppm+14mA	275 ppm+9mA	275 ppm +5 mA	275 ppm +3 mA
Current Monitor (+IM):	50 ppm +3mA	50 ppm +2mA	50 ppm+1mA	50ppm+0.6mA	50ppm+0.3mA
Maximum Input Power	3800 VA; 2600 W, 100 W with no load				
Maximum AC Line Current Ratings					
200 Vac nominal:	19 A rms				
230 Vac nominal:	19 A rms				
Maximum Reverse Bias Current:	With AC input power applied and the dc output reverse biased by an external dc source, the supply will continuously withstand without damage a current equal to its output current rating.				
Remote Sensing Capability					
Voltage Drop Per Lead:	Up to 1/2 of rated output voltage.				
Load Voltage:	Subtract voltage drop in load leads from specified output voltage rating.				
Load Regulation:					
Degradation due to load lead drop in -output:	None				
Degradation due to load lead drop in + output:	$\Delta\text{mV (regulation)} = 2V_{\text{drop}} (\text{V}_{\text{rating}})/(\text{V}_{\text{rating}} + 10\text{V})$				
Note 1: For Performance Specifications, see Table 1-2a.					

**Table 1-2b. Supplemental Characteristics for Series 657xA (continued)**

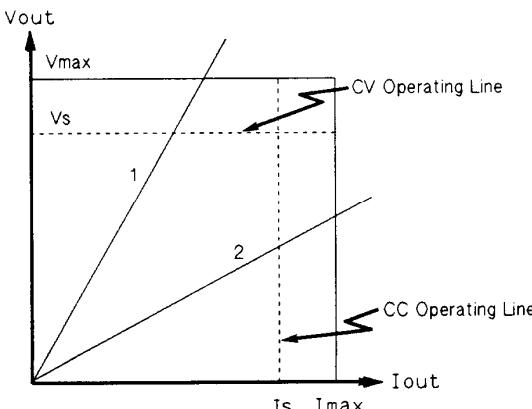
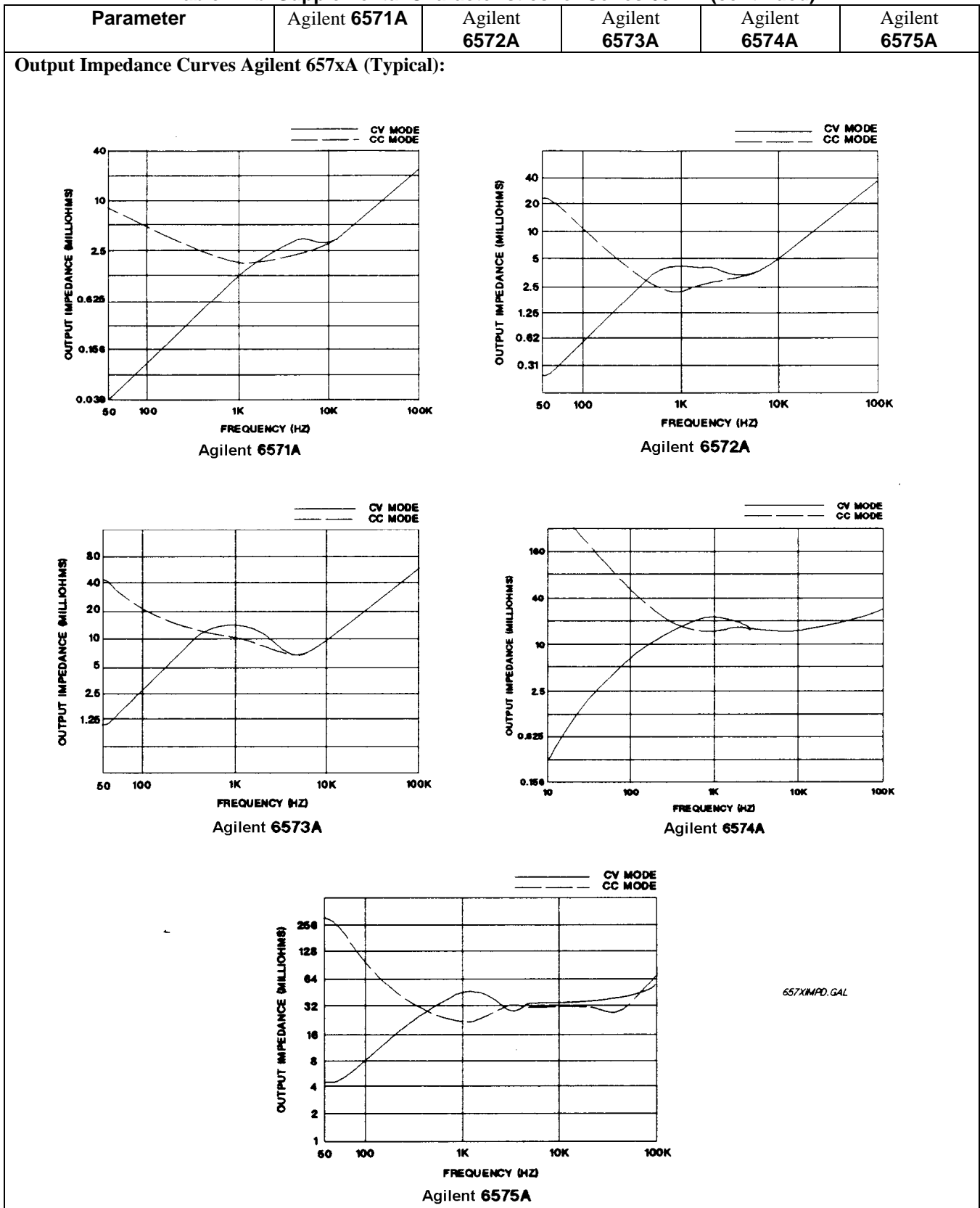
Parameter	Agilent 6571A	Agilent 6572A	Agilent 6573A	Agilent 6574A	Agilent 6575A																		
Monotonicity:	Output is monotonic over entire rated voltage, current, and temperature range.																						
Auto-Parallel Configuration:	Up to 5 identical models.																						
Analog Programming (IP & VP)																							
Input Signal*																							
VP Input:**	0 to -4.72 V	0 to -4.24 V	0 to -4.25 V	0 to -4.24 V	0 to -3.97 V																		
+IP/-IP Differential	0 to +7.97V	0 to +6.81 V	0 to +6.81 V	0 to +7.01 V	0 to +6.34 V																		
Input:																							
Input Impedance																							
VP Input:	60 kΩ,																						
IP Input:	52 kΩ																						
*Signal source must be isolated. **Referenced to output signal common.																							
Current Monitor (IM)																							
Output Signal:*	-0.25 to +9.05V	-0.25 to +7.7 V	-0.25 to +7.7 V	-0.25 to +7.93V	-0.25 to +7.15V																		
Output Impedance:	490 Ω																						
*Corresponds to 0% to 100% output current.																							
Savable States	5																						
Nonvolatile Memory																							
Locations:	5 ( 0 through 4)																						
Nonvolatile Memory Write Cycles:	40,000, typical																						
Recommended Calibration Interval:	1 year																						
Safety Compliance																							
Complies with:	CSA 22.2 No.231 & IEC 348																						
Designed to comply with:	UL 1244 & VDE 0411																						
RFI Suppression (complies with):	FTZ 1046/84, Level B																						
Dimensions																							
Width:	425.5 mm (16.75 in)																						
Height:	132.6 mm (5.22 in)																						
Depth (w/safety cover):	640 mm (25.2 in)																						
Weight																							
Net:	27.7 kg (61 lb)																						
Shipping:	31.4 kg (69 lb)																						
Output Characteristic Curve:																							
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Table 1-2b. Supplemental Characteristics for Series 657xA (continued)





**Table 1-3. Replaceable Parts List**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Agilent Part No.</b>
(Unless otherwise specified, parts apply to all models.)	
Collar, rotary output control	5040-1700
Foot, cabinet	5041-8801
Fuses, Series 654xA	
M6A 250V (for 100 Vac line voltage, reference designator F450)	2110-0056
M5A 250V (for 120 Vac line voltage, reference designator F450)	2110-0010
M3A 250V (for 220/230/240 Vac line voltage, reference designator F450)	2110-0003
M15A 32V (for secondary rail bias, reference designator F402, F403)	2110-0697
M5A 125V (for ac bias, reference designator F600, F601)	2110-0699
M.125A 125V (for control circuits, reference designator F675, F700, 701)	2110-0671
Fuseholder for Line (Littelfuse 345 101; UL, CSA, SEMKO, VDE approved; 6.3/15A, 250V)	2110-0927
Line Fuses, Series 655xA	
100 Vac line voltage, 15 AM	2110-0054
120 Vac line voltage, 12 AM	2110-0249
220/230/240 Vac line voltage, 7 AM	2110-0614
Line Fuses, Series 657xA	
200 Vac line voltage, 25 AM*	2110-0849
230 Vac line voltage, 25 AM*	2110-0849
*This is an internal fuse not replaceable by the operator.	
Knob, rotary output control	0370-1091
Lockwasher, output bus bar, 1/4 spring (Series 657xA)	3050-1690
Manual, service (Series 654xA and 655xA)	5959-3376
Manual, service (Series 657xA and 667xA)	5961-2583
Nut, output bus bar, hex 1/4-20x1/2 (Series 657xA)	2950-0084
Nut, power ground, hex w/lw 3/8x32	0590-0305
Power cord assembly (Series 657xA)	(See "Options")
Resistor, calibration	(See Appendix A)
Safety cover, ac input, w/strain relief connector & rubber boot (Series 657xA)	5040-1676
Safety cover, dc output (Series 654xA/655xA)	0360-2191
Safety cover, dc output (Series 657xA)	5040-1674
Screw, bus bar (Series 655xA)	0515-1085
Screw, carrying strap & safety cover, M5x0.8x10 mm	0515-1132
Screw, dc output safety cover (Series 654xA,655xA)	0515-1085
Screw, output bus bar, 1/4-20x1/2 (Series 657xA)	2940-0103
Screw, output sense terminal, M3x0.5x8 mm	0515-0104
Terminal, crimp, ac power cord, L or N terminal (Series 657xA)	0362-0681
Terminal, crimp, ac power cord, Gnd terminal (Series 657xA)	0362-0207



# Installation

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## Inspection

### Damage

When you receive your power supply, inspect it for any obvious damage that may have occurred during shipment. If there is damage, notify the shipping carrier and the nearest Agilent Sales and Support office immediately. Warranty information is printed in the front of this guide.

Save the shipping carton and packing materials in case the power supply must be returned to Agilent Technologies. If you return it for service, attach a tag identifying the model number and the owner. Also include a brief description of the problem.

### Items Supplied

In addition to this manual, check that the following items are included with your power supply (see Table 1-4 for part numbers):

### Power cord

Your power supply was shipped with a power cord for the type of outlet specified for your location. If the appropriate cord was not included, contact your nearest Agilent Sales and Support office (see end of this manual) to obtain the correct cord.



Your power supply cannot use a standard power cord. The power cords supplied by Agilent Technologies have heavier gauge wire.

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### Series 657xA Only

These power supplies also include output hardware (screws with nuts and lockwashers) for securing your load wires to the output bus bars (see Table 1-4).

### Manual Change Page

If applicable, change sheets may be included with this manual. If there are change sheets, make the indicated corrections to this manual.

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## Location and Cooling

### Bench Operation

The “Supplemental Characteristics” in Chapter 1 give the dimensions of your power supply. The cabinet has plastic feet that are shaped to ensure self-alignment when stacked with other Agilent System II cabinets. The feet may be removed for rack mounting. Your power supply must be installed in a location that allows sufficient space at the sides and rear of the cabinet for adequate air circulation. Minimum clearances are 1 inch (25 mm) along the sides. Do not block the fan exhaust at the rear of the supply.

### Rack Mounting

The power supply can be mounted in a standard 19-inch rack panel or cabinet. Rack mounting kits are available as Option 908 or 909 (with handles). Installation instructions are included with each rack mounting kit. Instrument support rails are required for non-stationary installations. These are normally ordered with the cabinet and are not included with the rack mounting kits.

## Temperature Performance

A variable-speed fan cools the supply by drawing air through the sides and exhausting it out the back. Using Agilent rack mount or slides will not impede the flow of air. The temperature performance is as follows:

<b>Series 654xA/655xA</b>	Operates without loss of performance within the temperature range of 0 °C to 40 °C and with derated output from 40 °C to 55 °C.
<b>Series 657xA</b>	Operates without loss of performance within the temperature range of 0 °C to 55 °C.

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## Input Power Source

Refer to the applicable paragraphs below for information on the input power source. *Do not apply power to the power supply until directed to do so in Chapter 3.*

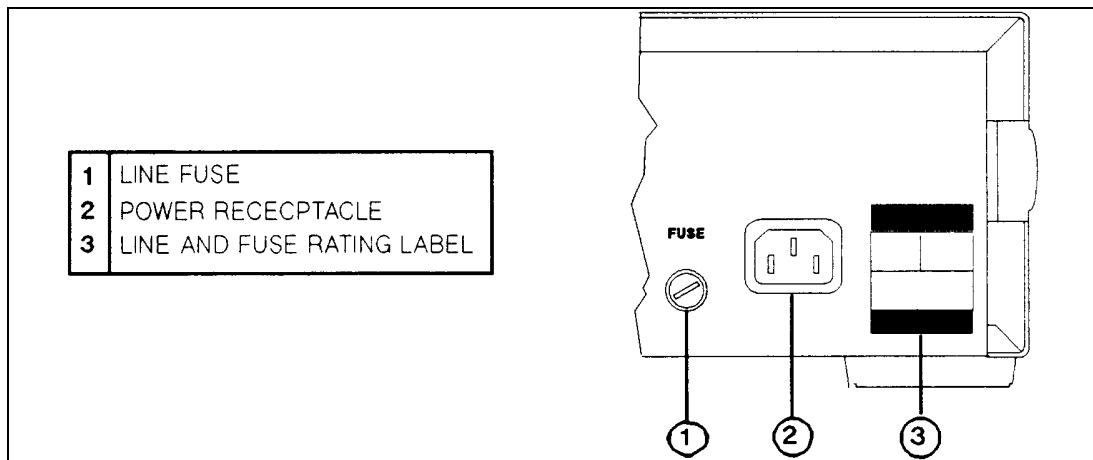


Check the line **Rating** label on the rear of your supply and verify that the voltage shown there corresponds to the nominal line voltage of your power source. If it does not, see Appendix B for instructions on changing the power supply's line voltage configuration.

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### Series 654xA and 655xA

You can operate your supply from a nominal 100 V, 120 V, 220 V, 230 V, or 240 V single-phase ac power source as indicated on the rear panel line Rating label. See "AC Input Ratings" in Table 1-1a for the voltage and frequency range for each type of power source. "Maximum AC Line Current Ratings" in Table 1-2a shows the required current load. The line fuse is located in a fuseholder on the rear panel (see Figure 2-1). The Line Fuse label on the rear panel shows the fuse value used in the power supply and Table 1-4 identifies the replacement fuse.



**Figure 2-1. Series 654xA and 655xA Power Connection**

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### Note

The detachable power cord may be used as an emergency disconnecting device. Removing the power cord from the ac input connector will disconnect ac input power to the unit.

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### Series 657xA

#### Input Source and Line Fuse

You can operate your supply from a nominal 200 or 230 volt single-phase ac power source as indicated on the rear panel **Line Rating** label. See "AC Input Ratings" in Table 1-1b for the voltage and frequency range for each nominal power source. "Maximum AC Line Current Ratings" in Table 1-2b shows the required current load.

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**Note** The power source must be a dedicated line with no other devices drawing current from it.

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The line fuse is located inside the power supply. Table 1-4 identifies the replacement fuse. See "In Case of Trouble" in Chapter 3 for instructions on fuse replacement.

### Installing the Power Cord

The power cord supplied with power supply may or may not include a power plug (see "Options" in Chapter 1) at one end of the cord. Terminating connections and a ground lug are attached to the other end of the cord.

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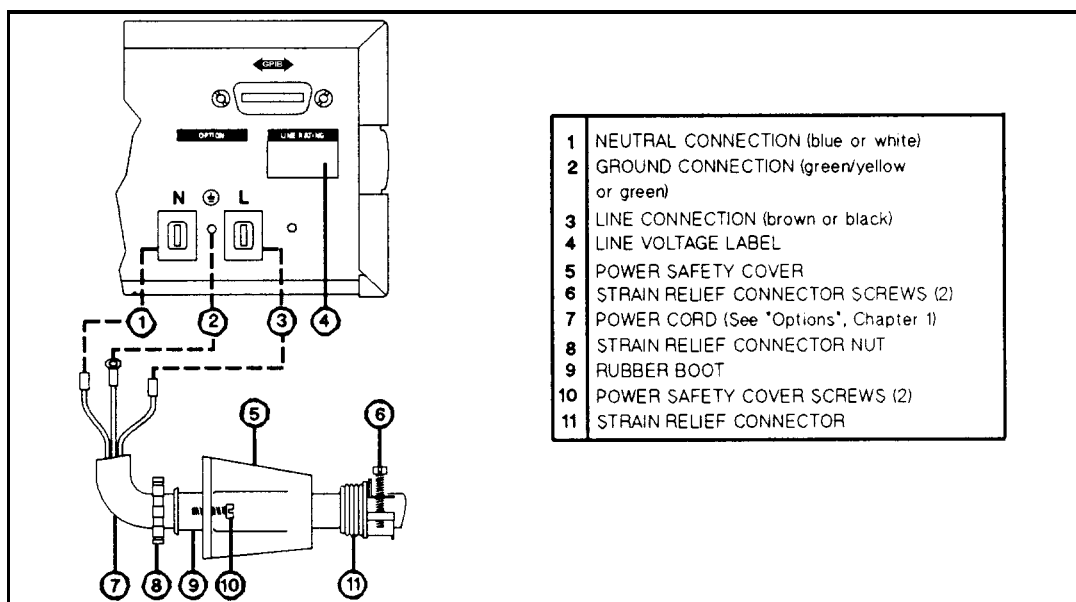
#### **WARNING**

Installation of the power cord must be done by a qualified electrician and in accordance with local electrical codes.

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See Figure 2-2 and proceed as follows:

1. If they are not already in place, position the strain relief connector (11), power safety cover (5), rubber boot (9), and connector nut (8) on the power cord (7).
2. Secure the ground connection wire (2) to the chassis earth ground stud.
3. Connect the neutral connection wire (1) to the N power input terminal.
4. Connect the line connection wire (3) to the L power input terminal. This line is fused inside the power supply
5. Position the safety cover (5) over the power input terminals and tighten the cover and strain relief connector screws (6 and 10).



**Figure 2-2. Series 657xA Power Cord Installation**



## Turn-On Checkout

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<b>Note</b>	This chapter provides a preliminary introduction to the power supply front panel. See Chapter 5 for more details.
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### Introduction

Successful tests in this chapter provide a high degree of confidence that the power supply is operating properly. For complete performance and/or verification tests, refer to the service manual (see Table 1-4 in Chapter 1).



Do not connect the power cord to the power source until told to do so.

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### Preliminary Checkout

#### Series 654xA and 655xA Power Supplies

If required, see Figure 2-1 in Chapter 2 and Figure 4-1 in Chapter 4 for parts locations.

- I. Make certain that the front panel switch is off.
- II. Examine the Line And Fuse Rating label (3, Figure 2-1).
  - A. Verify that the line voltage rating agrees with your power source. If it does not, see Appendix B.
  - B. Use a screwdriver to remove the line fuse from the fuseholder (1, Figure 2-1). Verify that the fuse is as specified on the label. Replace the fuse.
- III. Check that the SENSE switch (4, Figure 4-1) is set to Local.
- IV. Make sure that there is no load connected to the output (+) and (-) terminals (2, Figure 4-2).

#### Series 657xA Power Supplies


- I. Examine the Line Voltage label (4, Figure 2-2) and verify that the line voltage rating agrees with your power source. If it does not, see Appendix B.
- II. Remove the output safety cover (1, Figure 4-2).
- III. Examine the output sense terminals (4 and 5, Figure 4-2). They should be wired for local sensing as follows:
  - A. The **+LS** sense terminal wired to the **+S** terminal of the analog connector (2, Figure 4-2) .
  - B. The **-LS** sense terminal wired to the **-S** terminal of the analog connector.
  - C. If the power supply is not wired for local sensing, make the above connections, using small-capacity wire (#22 is sufficient).
- IV. Make certain there is no load connected to the bus bars.

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## POWER-ON Checkout

1. Connect the power cord to the power source.
2. Turn the front panel power switch to ON (1).
3. Check that the power supply fan is on by placing your hand near the rear grill to feel the air flow. You may also be able to hear the fan operating.


The power supply undergoes a self-test when you turn it on. If the test is normal, the following sequence appears on the LCD:

1. A brief star-burst pattern 
2. PWR ON INIT for a few seconds (Series 657xA supplies only).
3. The display goes into the meter mode with the **Dis** annunciator on and all others off. “Meter mode” means that the **VOLTS** digits indicate the output voltage and the **AMPS** digits indicate the output current. These values will be at or near zero.

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<b>Note</b>	If the power supply detects an error during self-test, the display will show an error message. Go to “In Case of Trouble” at the end of this chapter.
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4. Press  once. The **Dis** annunciator will go off and the **CV** annunciator will go on.




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## Output Checkout

### Shifted Keys

Some of the front panel keys perform two functions, one labeled in black and the other in blue. You access the blue function by first pressing the blue  key, which is not labeled. When the **Shift** annunciator is on, you will know you have access to the key's shifted (blue) function.

### Backspace Key

The  key is an erase key. If you make a mistake entering a number and have not yet entered it (have not pressed ) , you can delete the number by pressing . You may delete as many numbers as you wish by repeatedly pressing this key.

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<b>Note</b>	The voltage and current values used in these tests are for a typical Agilent 655xA Series supply (the Agilent 6552A). Table 1-1a and Table 1-1b in Chapter 1 lists the ranges for other supplies. If needed, refer to those tables for the voltage and current ratings of your supply.
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### Setting The Output Voltage

Perform the steps in Table 3-1 to check the basic voltage functions with no load connected to the power supply. The **VOLTS** display will show various readings. Ignore the **AMPS** display.

### Setting The Output Current

You must have a load on the power supply to generate a current output. For this purpose, you will connect a shorting wire across the output terminals of the supply.



# CAUTION

Some power supplies have a high output current capacity. To prevent overheating or possible melting of the shorting wire, make sure it is of sufficient size to carry the supply's maximum output current (see Table 4-2 in Chapter 4 for the appropriate wire size).

Perform the steps in Table 3-2 to check the basic current functions with a short across the power supply output. The **AMPS** display will show various readings. Ignore the **VOLTS** display.

**Table 3-1. Checking the Voltage Functions (Output Terminals Open)**

If the Dis annunciator is on, turn it off by pressing **Output on/off**

Press <b>Voltage</b>	VOLT 0.000	Displays default output voltage. <b>CV</b> annunciator is on. If <b>CC</b> annunciator remains on, increase the CC current setting by pressing <b>Current</b> <b>0</b> <b>5</b>
Press <b>2</b> <b>0</b>	VOLT 20	*Set voltage to supply's rated output.
Press <b>Enter</b>	20.000	Meter mode displays output voltage.
Press <b>Voltage</b> several times		**Voltage drops about 5 millivolts each time you press the key.
Press <b>Voltage</b> the same number of times		**Voltage increases about 5 millivolts each time you press the key.
Rotate the Voltage control first counterclockwise and then clockwise		Control operates similarly to the <b>Voltage</b> and <b>Voltage</b> keys. Turning the controls more quickly causes a more rapid change in voltage.
Press <b>OV</b>	OV 22.000	***Shows the default OVP trip voltage.
Press <b>OV</b> <b>1</b> <b>5</b>	OV 15	Program OV trip voltage to 15.
Press <b>Enter</b>		You have entered a trip voltage that is less than the output voltage. The output drops to near zero. The <b>CV</b> annunciator goes off and the <b>Prot</b> annunciator comes on.
Press <b>Protect</b>	OV	Indicates the overvoltage Protection circuit has tripped.
Press <b>←</b>	Meter mode	
Press <b>OV</b> <b>2</b> <b>1</b>	OV 21	Raise the OV trip voltage up above the programmed output voltage.
Press <b>←</b>		Enter the new trip voltage.
Press <b>Shift</b> <b>Protect</b> *****	20.000	You have cleared the OV protection fault. The <b>Prot</b> annunciator goes off, the <b>CV</b> annunciator comes on, and the full rated output is restored.

**Table 3-1. Checking the Voltage Functions (continued)**

\*Maximum voltage values are for Agilent 6552A. See "Output Ratings" in "Performance Specifications" of Chapter 1 for your specific model.  
 \*\*Voltage increments are for Agilent 6552A. See "Average Resolution" in "Supplemental Characteristics" of Chapter 1 for your specific model.  
 \*\*\*OV voltage is for Agilent 6552A. See "Output Programming Range" in "Supplemental Characteristics" of Chapter 1 for your specific model.  
 \*\*\*\* **Shift** key is the unlabeled blue key.

**Table 3-2. Checking the Current Functions (Output Terminals Shorted)**

Turn off the power supply and connect a wire across the output (+) and (-) terminals. Use a wire of sufficient size to carry the maximum current of the supply (see "Performance Specifications" in Chapter 1).		
Turn on the supply	Meter mode	Essentially zero outputs with <b>Dis</b> annunciator on.
Press <b>Voltage</b> <b>1</b> <b>0</b> <b>5</b>	VOLT 1.500	Set a minimum operating voltage to cause current to low.
Press <b>Output on/off</b>		<b>Dis</b> annunciator goes off, <b>CC</b> annunciator comes on, and AMPS display shows some current. If there is no current and <b>CV</b> annunciator remains on, increase the operating voltage setting.
Press <b>↑Current</b> several times		*Current increases about 7 milliamperes each time you press the key.
Press <b>↓Current</b> the same number of times		*Current decreases about 7 milliamperes each time you press the key.
Rotate the Current control first clockwise and then counterclockwise.		Control operates similarly to the <b>↑Current</b> and <b>↓Current</b> keys. Turning the controls more quickly causes a more rapid change in current.
Press <b>OCP</b>		You have enabled the overcurrent protection circuit, which tripped because of the output short. The <b>CC</b> annunciator goes off and the <b>OCP</b> and <b>Prot</b> annunciators come on. The output current is near zero.
Press <b>Protect</b>	OC	Indicates the overcurrent protection circuit has tripped. (see "Supplemental Characteristics" in Chapter 1).
Press <b>←</b>	Meter mode	
Press <b>Output on/off</b>		<b>Dis</b> annunciator comes on.
Press <b>OCP</b>		You have disabled the overcurrent protection circuit. The <b>OCP</b> annunciator goes off.
Press <b>Shift</b> <b>Protect</b> *		You have cleared the OC protection circuit. The <b>Prot</b> annunciator goes off.

**Table 3-2. Checking the Current Functions (continued)**

Press <b>Output on/off</b>		<b>Dis</b> annunciator goes off and the <b>CC</b> annunciator comes on. <b>AMPS</b> shows some current.
Press <b>Current</b> <b>2</b> <b>5</b> <b>Enter</b>	25.000	** <b>AMPS</b> increases to maximum output.
Press <b>Output on/off</b>		<b>Dis</b> annunciator comes on and <b>AMPS</b> reading drops to near zero.
Turn off the power supply and remove the short from the output terminals.		
* Current increments are for Agilent 6552A. See "Average Resolution" in "Supplemental Characteristics of Chapter 1 for your specific model.		
** Maximum current value is for Agilent 6552A. See "Output Ratings" in "Performance Specifications" of Chapter 1 for your specific model.		
**** <b>Shift</b> key is the unlabeled blue key.		

## Save/Recall Checkout

The following steps check the power supply save and recall function keys.

- Make certain that the **Dis** annunciator is off. Then set the voltage output to 5 volts by pressing **Voltage** **5** **Enter**.
- Save this value to location 1 by pressing **Shift** **Recall** **1** **Enter**.
- Remove the output voltage by pressing **Recall** **0** **Enter**. This recalls the power supply values stored in location 0, which are the factory reset values (see Chapter 5 for more information).
- Press **Recall** **1** **Enter** and notice that the output voltage returns to 5.

## In Case Of Trouble

### Line Fuse

If the power supply appears "dead" with a blank display and the fan not running, first check your power source to be certain line voltage is being supplied to the power supply. If the power source is normal, the power supply line fuse may be defective. If this is the case, replace the fuse only once. If it fails again, investigate the reason for the failure. Proceed as follows:

#### Series 654xA and 655xA Supplies

The line fuse is located on the rear panel (1, Figure 2-1). Proceed as follows:

1. Turn off the front panel power switch.
2. Using a screwdriver, remove the fuse from the fuseholder. Replace it with one of the same type (see Table 1-4 in Chapter 1). **Do not use a "slow-blow" type fuse.**
3. Turn on the power supply and check the operation.

## Series 657xA Supplies

### WARNING

Hazardous voltage can remain inside the power supply even after it has been turned off. Fuse replacement should be done only by qualified electronics personnel.



The line fuse is located inside the power supply. To change it, proceed as follows:

- I. Turn off the front panel power switch and unplug the line cord from the power source.
- II. Remove the power supply dustcover as follows:
  - A. Remove the four screws securing the carrying straps and dustcover.
  - B. Spread the bottom rear of the dustcover and pull it back to disengage it from the front panel.
  - C. Slide the dustcover back far enough to expose the line fuse (1, Figure 3-1).
- III. Observe the input rail LED under the RFI shield (4, Figure B-3 in Appendix B). **If the LED is on, there is still hazardous voltage inside the supply.** Wait until the LED goes out (this may take several minutes) before proceeding.
- IV. Connect a dc voltmeter across test points TP1 and TP2 (see Figure B-3). It may be necessary to remove the RFI shield in order to reach these test points. (The shield is secured by four screws on each side.) When the voltmeter indicates 60 volts or less, it is safe to work inside the power supply.
- V. Replace the fuse with one of the same type (see Table 1-4 in Chapter 1). **Do not use a "slow-blow" type fuse.**
- VI. If you removed it in step b, be sure to replace the RFI shield.
- VII. Replace the dustcover.
- VIII. Connect the line cord to the power source.
- IX. Turn on the front panel power switch and check the operation.

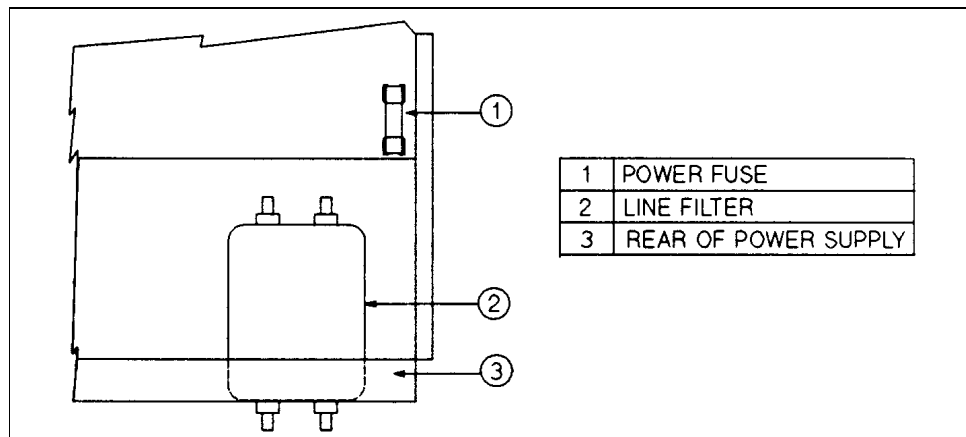


Figure 3-1. Series 657xA Line Fuse

## Error Messages

Power supply failure may occur during power-on selftest or during operation. In either case the display may show an error message that indicates the reason for the failure.

## Selftest Errors

When a selftest error occurs, it prevents all front panel operation. The display may show either a power-on error message or a checksum error message.

**Power-on Error Messages.** Power-on messages appear as:

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Where “n” is a number listed in Table 3-3. If this occurs, turn the power off and then back on to see if the error persists. It is possible to recover from the **EE CHKSUM** error (see "Checksum Errors"). If any other message persists, the power supply requires service.

**Table 3-3. Power-on Selftest Errors**

Error No	Display	Failed Test
E1	FP RAM	Front Panel RAM
E2	FP ROM	Front Panel ROM checksum
E3	EE CHKSUM	<b>EEPROM</b>
E4	(Not used)	
E5	(Not used)	
E6	(Not used)	
E7	(Not used)	
E8	SEC RAM	Secondary RAM
E9	SEC ROM	Secondary ROM checksum
E10	SEC 5V	Secondary 5 V ADC reading
E11	TEMP	Secondary ambient thermistor reading
E12	DACS	Secondary VDAC/IDAC readback

## Checksum Errors.

If the display shows **EE CHKSUM**, the power supply has detected an EEPROM checksum error. A checksum error can occur due to the following conditions:

- Excessive number of write cycles to an EEPROM (see "Supplemental Characteristics"). This condition, which would appear only after extended use, is not recoverable and requires service.
- Loss of ac input power during a checksum calculation. This condition, which is very unlikely, is recoverable.

You may be able to recover from a checksum error by writing to the EEPROM while the power supply is in the calibration mode. To do this, proceed as follows:

1. Enable the calibration mode by pressing **Cal Enable** **Shift** **1** **Enter**.
2. **PASWD** will appear on the display.
3. Press the number keys corresponding to the password, followed by **Enter**. The **Cal** annunciator will go on.

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## Note

On new equipment, the calibration password corresponds to the four- digit model number (such as **6552**). See Appendix A for more information about the calibration password.

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4. Save any operating state (for example, press **Save** **0** **Enter**).
5. Turn the power off and then back on.

A normal display free of error messages should appear. If not, the power supply requires service.

### Runtime Error Messages

Under unusual operating conditions, the **VOLT** or **AMPS** display may show **+OL** or **-OL**. This indicates that the output voltage or current is beyond the range of the meter readback circuit.

Table 3-4 shows other error messages that may appear at runtime.

**Table 3-4. Runtime Errors**

Display	Meaning
EE WRITE ERR	EEPROM status time-out
SBUB FULL	Message too long for buffer
SERIAL DOWN	Failed communication with front panel
STK OVERFLOW	Front panel stack overflow
UART FRAMING	UART byte framing error
UART OVERRUN	Overfilled UART receive buffer
UART PARITY	UART byte parity error

# User Connections and Considerations

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## Rear Panel Connections

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### **WARNING**

*Shock Hazard* Disconnect ac power before making rear panel connections.

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Application connections are made to the output terminals and analog connector. The connections are the same for Series 654xA and 655xA supplies and similar for the Series 657xA supplies. Unless otherwise specified, instructions in this chapter apply to all models.

### Output Connectors

The + and - load connections are made at the rear panel. Depending on the model (see Figure 4-1 or Figure 4-2), either terminals or screw-down bus bars (+ and -) connect the load to the power supply. The general procedure is as follows:

1. Remove the output safety cover.
2. Connect the load wires.
3. Replace the output safety cover.

For more specific information, refer to the following applicable paragraph.

### Series 654xA and 655xA Supplies

- On Series 654xA:
  - strip the end of each load wire and secure it to the appropriate terminal, using the screw provided on the terminal.
- On Series 655xA:
  - strip the end of each load wire and fasten a suitable terminal lug to the end.
  - using the screws provided on the output bus bars, attach the wire terminal lugs to the bus bars.

### Series 657xA Supplies

- strip the end of each load wire and fasten a suitable terminal lug to the end.
- make a suitable opening in the output safety cover by removing one or more cover knockouts (see Figure 4-2).

### **WARNING**

Do not leave uncovered holes in the safety cover. If too many knockouts have been removed, install a new cover (see Table 1-3).

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- feed the wires through the safety cover.
- using the screws provided on the output bus bars, attach the wire terminal lugs to the bus bars.

### Analog Connector

The rear panel has a 7-pin analog connector with quick-disconnect plug (see Figure 4-3) for making the following optional connections:

- remote sense leads
- an external current monitor
- an external programming voltage source
- connecting two or more power supplies in auto-parallel

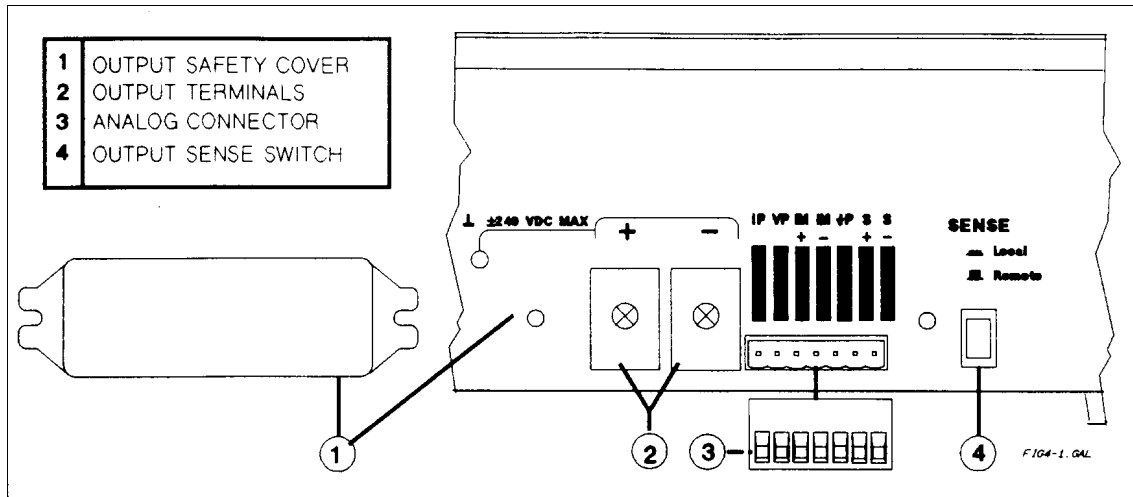


Figure 4-1. Series 654xA and 655xA Rear Panel Connections

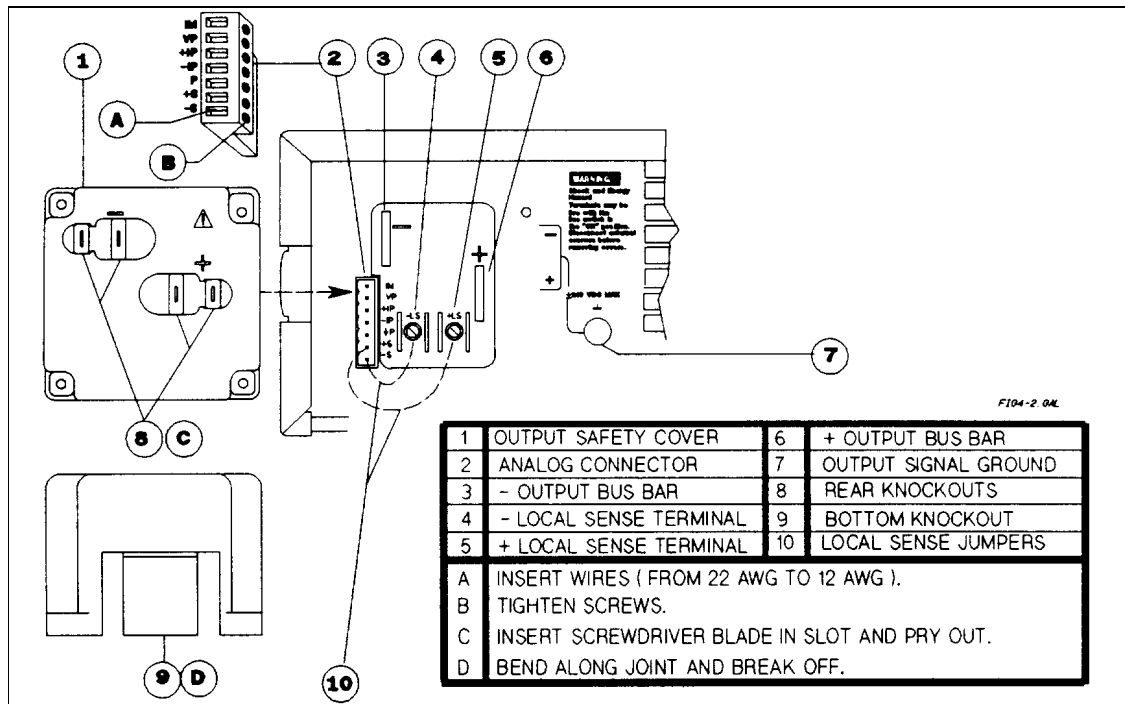


Figure 4-2. Series 657xA Rear Panel Connections

The connector accepts wire sizes from AWG 22 to AWG 12. The purpose of each analog pin is described in Table 4-1.

## Note

In addition to specific wiring instructions given in this chapter, it is good engineering practice to twist and shield all signal wires to and from the analog connector.



**Table 4-1. Analog Connector Functions**

Pin	Function
<b>IP</b>	<b>Series 654xA and 655xA</b> <b>Current programming Input.</b> Allows an external voltage source to program CC (constant current) mode. CC is programmed with a 0 to -5 V signal that produces proportional output current from zero to full scale. The IP input is also used for auto-parallel operation as described later in this chapter.
<b>±IP</b>	<b>Series 657xA</b> <b>Differential Current Programming Input.</b> Allows an external voltage source to program CC (constant current) mode. ±IP accepts a signal (see <i>Analog Programming</i> in Table 1-2b) that produces a proportional output current from zero to full scale. +IP is positive with respect to -IP. -IP may be floated up to ±19 V from the Common P (↓P) terminal, which is approximately at the same potential as the + output. The ±IP input is also used for auto-parallel operation as described later in this chapter.
<b>VP</b>	<b>Voltage Programming Input.</b> Allows an external voltage source to program CV (constant voltage) mode. CV is programmed with a signal (see <i>Analog Programming (IP &amp; VP)</i> in “Supplemental Characteristics”) that produces a proportional output voltage from zero to full scale.
<b>+IM</b>	<b>Series 654xA and 655xA</b> <b>Current Monitor Output.</b> Monitors the output current with respect to Common P (↓P). A 0 to -5 V signal at this output indicates a zero-to-full scale current. +IM is also used when connecting supplies in autoparallel for increased current output (see “Auto-Parallel Operation”).
<b>-IM</b>	<b>Series 654xA and 655xA</b> <b>Current Monitor Input.</b> Connects to Common P (↓P) when connecting supplies in autoparallel for increased current output (see “Auto-Parallel Operation”).
<b>IM</b>	<b>Series 657xA</b> <b>Current Monitor Output.</b> Monitors the output current with respect to Common P (↓P). A signal (see <i>Current Monitor (IM)</i> in Table 1-2b) at this output indicates a zero-to-full scale current. +IM is also used when connecting supplies in autoparallel for increased current output (see “Auto-Parallel Operation”).
<b>Common P (↓P)</b>	<b>Series 654xA and 655xA</b> <b>Common Return.</b> Provides the common connection for the IP and VP programming inputs and the +IM current monitor output.
<b>Common P (↓P)</b>	<b>Series 657xA</b> <b>Common Return.</b> Provides the common connection for the VP programming input and the IM current monitor output.
<b>±S</b>	<b>Series 654xA and 655xA</b> <b>Remote Sense Inputs.</b> Connects the load sense input leads to the power supply when the rear panel Remote Sense switch is in the <b>Remote</b> position (see “Remote Sensing”).
<b>±S</b>	<b>Series 657xA</b> <b>Sense Inputs.</b> Connects the power supply sense input to either the +LS and -LS terminals for local sensing (see “Local Voltage Sensing”) or to the load for remote sensing (see “Remote Voltage Sensing”).
After you have finished making the analog connections, insert the plug back into the analog connector and replace the output safety cover.	

### Wire Size Selection

The minimum wire size required to prevent wire overheating still may not be large enough to maintain a small enough load-lead voltage drop for good electrical performance. See “Remote Sensing” and “OVP Considerations” for more information on this topic. Table 4-2 gives the wire resistance for various stranded sizes to help you determine load-lead drop.

### **WARNING**

**Fire Hazard** To satisfy safety requirements, load wires must be heavy enough not to overheat when carrying the maximum short-circuit current of the power supply.

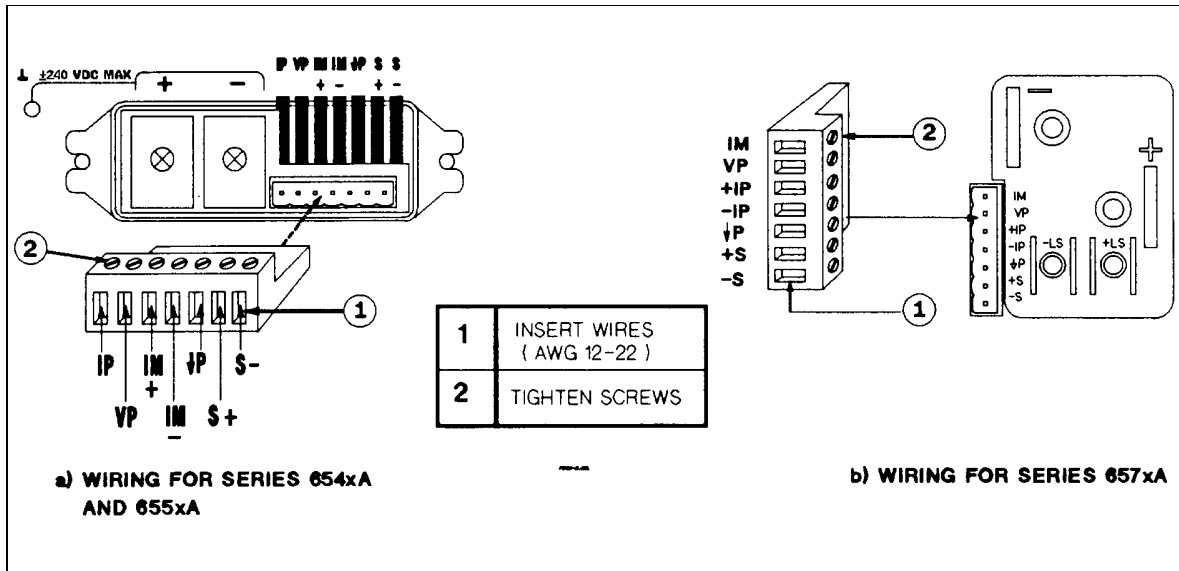


Figure 4-3. Analog Connector

Table 4-2. Stranded Copper Wire Ampere Capacity and Resistance

AWG No.	Area (mm <sup>2</sup> )	Ampacity	Resistance (W/m)	AWG No.	Area (mm <sup>2</sup> )	Ampacity	Resistance (W/m)
18	0.82	15.4	0.0210	8	8.37	75	0.0020
16	1.31	19.4	0.0131	6	13.3	100	0.0013
14	2.08	31.2	0.0082	4	21.1	135	0.0008
12	3.31	40.0	0.0052	2	33.2	180	0.0005
10	5.26	55.0	0.0033	1/0	53.0	245	0.0003

Note:

1. AWG wire rating derived from MIL-W-5088B.
2. Ampacity of aluminum wire is approximately 84% that of copper wire.
3. With bundled wires, use the following percentages of the rated ampacity:
 

2 conductors 94%	4 conductors 83%
3 conductors 89%	5 conductors 76%
4. Maximum temperatures. ambient = 50° C; conductor = 105° C.

### Output Isolation

The output of the power supply is isolated from earth ground. Either output terminal may be grounded, or an external voltage source may be connected between either output and ground. However, both output terminals must be kept within  $\pm 240$  Vdc of ground. An earth ground terminal is provided on the rear panel for convenience, such as grounding wire shields.

### WARNING

The earth ground terminal on the rear panel is a low-noise signal ground for convenience only. It is not designed to function as a safety ground.

## Load Considerations

### Capacitive Loads

In most cases, the power supply will continue to be stable with additional external load capacitors (see the following table for Series 654xA/665xA recommendations). However, large load capacitors may cause ringing in the supply's transient response. It is possible that certain combinations of load capacitance, equivalent series resistance, and load lead inductance will result in instability. If you need help in solving a stability problem, contact an Agilent service engineer through your local Sales and Support office (see end of this manual).

#### Series 654xA/655xA Power Supplies, Maximum External Capacitance

6541A	6542A	6543A	6544A	6545A	6551A	6552A	6553A	6554A	6555A
40,000μF	20,000μF	12,000μF	7,000μF	3,000μF	100,000μF	50,000μF	30,000μF	18,000μF	8,000μF

If the power supply output is rapidly programmed into capacitive loads, the supply may momentarily cross into CC mode. This extends the CV programming time and limits the maximum slew rate to the programmed current divided by the total internal (see “Inductive Loads”) and external capacitance. These momentary crossovers into CC mode will not damage the supply.

### Inductive Loads

Inductive loads provide no loop stability problems in CV mode. However, in CC mode inductive loads will form a parallel resonance network with the power supply's output capacitor. Generally, this will not affect the stability of the supply, but it may cause ringing of the current in the load. Ringing will not occur if the Q (quality factor) of the parallel resonant network is  $\leq 0.5$ . Use the following formula to determine the Q of your output.

$$Q = \frac{1}{R_{\text{int}} + R_{\text{ext}}} \sqrt{\frac{L}{C}}$$

where C = model-dependent internal capacitance (see below); L = inductance of the load;  $R_{\text{ext}}$  = equivalent series resistance of the load;  $R_{\text{int}}$  = model-dependent internal resistance (see below):

	6541A	6542A	6543A	6544A	6545A	6551A	6552A	6553A	6554A
C=	4,200μF	550μF	180μF	68μF	33μF	10,000μF	1,100μF	440μF	120μF
$R_{\text{int}}$ =	7 mΩ	30 mΩ	50 mΩ	125 mΩ	300 mΩ	4 mΩ	20 mΩ	30 mΩ	80 mΩ

	6555A	6571A	6572A	6573A	6574A	6575A
C=	50μF	44,000μF	44,000μF	12,000μF	7,000μF	2,100μF
$R_{\text{int}}$ =	250 mΩ	1.8 mΩ	2.2 mΩ	4 mΩ	14 mΩ	30 mΩ

**Note for Series 657xA Supplies:** If  $Q > 0.5$ , inductive loads will ring with the output capacitance and be damped according to the following equation

$$e^{\left(\frac{-t}{\left(\frac{2L}{R}\right)}\right)} \sin wt \sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{1}{2Q}\right)^2}$$

## Multiple Loads

When connecting multiple loads to the power supply using local sensing, use separate wires to connect each load to the output terminals (see Figure 4-4). This minimizes mutual coupling effects and takes full advantage of the power supply's low output impedance. Each pair of wires should be as short as possible and twisted or bundled to reduce lead inductance and noise pickup.

If cabling considerations require the use of distribution terminals that are remotely located from the supply, connect the output terminals to the distribution terminals by a pair of twisted or bundled wires. Use separate wires for connecting each load to the distribution terminals. In these circumstances, remote voltage sensing is recommended (see “Remote Voltage Sensing”). Sense either at the remote distribution terminals or, if one load is more critical than the others, directly at the critical load (see dashed lines in Figure 4-1). Note that the power supply's voltage readback occurs at the sense terminals.

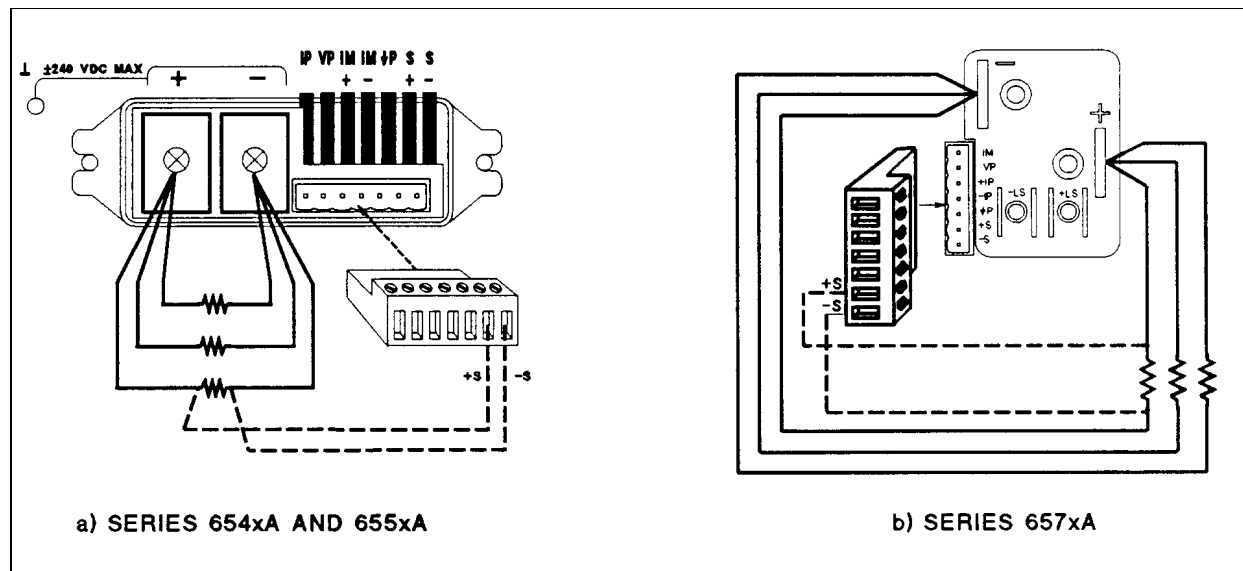


Figure 4-4. Multiple Load Connections (Remote Sensing Optional)

## Local Voltage Sensing

Your power supply was shipped set up for local sensing. This means that the supply will sense and regulate its output at the output terminals, not at the load. Since local sensing does not compensate for voltage drops across screw terminals, bus bars, or load leads, local sensing should only be used in applications that require low output current or where load regulation is not critical.

### Series 654xA and 655xA Supplies

Local sensing is obtained by placing the **SENSE switch** (see Figure 4-1) in the **Local** position. The power supply is shipped with the switch in this position.

### Series 657xA Supplies

Local sensing is obtained by connecting the **+LS** sense terminal to the **+S** analog connector pin and the pin and the **-LS** sense terminal to the **-S** analog connector pin. The power supply is shipped with these connections made.

## Note

If the sense terminals are left unconnected, the voltage at the bus bars will increase approximately 3 to 5 % over the programmed value. Since it is measured at the sense terminals, the voltage readback will not reflect this increased output.

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## Remote Voltage Sensing

The dashed lines in Figure 4-4 illustrate a typical power supply setup using remote voltage sensing. In this case, the remote sense terminals of the power supply are connected directly to the load rather than to the output terminals. This allows the supply to automatically compensate for the voltage drop in the load leads as well as to accurately read back the voltage directly across the load.

### Setting Up Remote Sense Operation

#### Series 654xA and 655xA Supplies

Remote sensing is obtained by placing the **SENSE switch** (see Figure 1-1) in the **Remote** position. The power supply is shipped with the switch in the **Local** position.

#### Series 667xA Supplies

Remote sensing is obtained by removing the jumpers connecting the **+LS** sense terminal to the **+S** analog connector pin and the **-LS** sense terminal to the **-S** analog connector pin. The power supply is shipped with these jumpers connected.

### Connecting the Sense Leads

You must connect the positive side of the load to the **+S** analog connector pin and the negative side of the load to the **-S** analog connector pin (see Figure 4-3). Connect the sense leads carefully so that they do not become open-circuited. If sense leads are left open during operation, the supply will regulate at the output terminals instead of at the load. Remember to bundle or tie wrap the load leads to minimize inductance and reduce noise pickup.

### CV Regulation

The voltage load regulation specification in “Performance Specifications” applies at the output terminals of the power supply. When remote sensing, this specification must be compensated as follows.

#### Series 654xA and 655xA Supplies

Add 3 mV to the voltage load regulation specification for each 1-volt change in the positive load lead due to a change in load current. Because the sense leads are part of the supply's feedback path, keep the resistance of the sense leads at or below 0.5  $\Omega$  to maintain the above specified performance.

#### Series 657xA Supplies

Add an increment to the voltage load regulation specification as specified by “ $\Delta mV$ ” in the equation given under *Load regulation* in Table 1-2b.

### Output Rating

The rated output voltage and current specification in “Performance Specifications” applies at the output terminals of the power supply. With remote sensing, any voltage dropped in the load leads causes the supply to increase the voltage at the output terminals so it can maintain the proper voltage at the load. When you attempt to operate at the full-rated output at the load, this forces the supply voltage at the output terminals to exceed the supply's rated output. This will not damage the supply, but may trip the OVP (overvoltage protection) circuit, which senses the voltage at the output. When operated beyond its rated output, the supply's performance specifications are not guaranteed, although typical performance may be good. If the excessive demand on the supply forces it to lose regulation, the **Unr** annunciator will indicate that the output is unregulated.

# Output Noise

Any noise picked up on the sense leads also appears at the output of the power supply and may adversely affect the load voltage regulation. Be sure to twist the sense leads to minimize external noise pickup and route them parallel and close to the load leads. In noisy environments, it may be necessary to shield the sense leads. Ground the shield only at the power supply. *Do not use the shield as one of the sense conductors*

**Note**      **Agilent 657xA Series** - The signal ground binding post on the rear panel is a convenient place to ground the sense shield.

# Stability

Using remote sensing under unusual combinations of load-lead lengths and large load capacitances may cause your application to form a low-pass filter that becomes part of the voltage feedback loop. The extra phase shift created by this filter can degrade the supply's stability and result in poor transient response. In severe cases, this may cause output oscillations. To minimize this possibility, keep the load leads as short as possible and tie wrap them together.

In most cases, following the above guidelines will prevent problems associated with load lead inductance. This leaves load load-lead resistance and load capacitance as the major source of reduced stability. Further improvement to the stability of the supply may be obtained by keeping the load capacitance as small as possible and by decreasing the load-lead resistance by using larger diameter wires. However, if heavy gauge wire ( $\geq$ AWG 10) is used, conditions may arise where the load-lead inductance and load capacitance can form an undamped filter. This can actually reduce the damping in the system and create a destabilizing phase response.

**Note**      If you need help in solving a stability problem with any Series 654xA, 655xA, or 657xA supply, contact an Agilent Service Engineer through your local Agilent Sales and Support office.

# Series 657xA Network

If a large bypass capacitor is required at the load and the load-lead length cannot be reduced, then a sense-lead bypass network may be needed to ensure stability (see Figure 4-5). The voltage rating of the 33  $\mu$ F capacitors should be about 50% greater than the anticipated load-lead drop. Addition of the 20- $\Omega$  resistors will cause a slight voltage rise at the remote sensing points. For utmost voltage programming accuracy, the supply should be recalibrated with the DVM at the remote sensing points (see Appendix A).

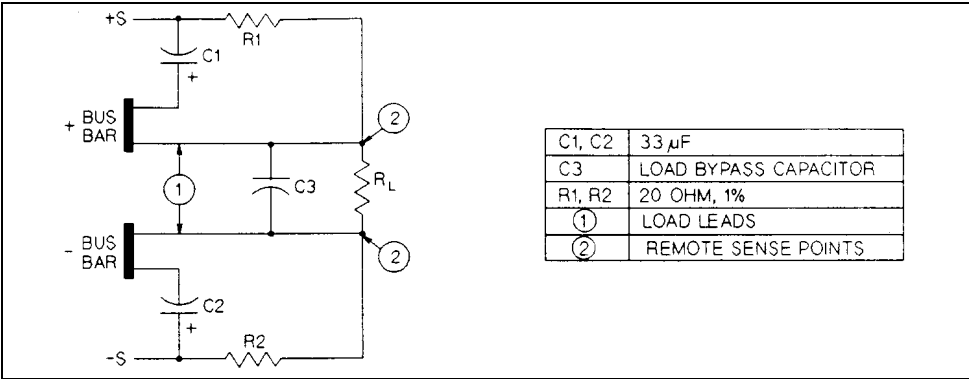


Figure 4-5. Series 657xA Sense Lead Bypass Network

## Operating Considerations

### Auto-Parallel Operation

#### Auto-Parallel Wiring

Figure 4-6 illustrates how power supplies can be connected in auto-parallel for increased current output. You can connect supplies of the *same model* in auto-parallel as follows:

- **Series 654xA or 655xA** - up to three supplies.
- **Series 657xA** - up to five supplies.

Use load leads of a sufficient wire size so that the absolute voltage difference between the + output terminal of the “master” supply and the + output terminal of the first “slave” supply is kept under 2 V at rated current. This also applies to the voltage difference between the + output terminals of the first and second slave supplies. If remote sensing is required, connect the load to the remote sense terminals *of the master supply*, as shown by the dashed lines in Figure 4-6.

#### Note

To avoid output oscillations with Series 654xA and 655xA supplies, observe the wiring suggestions given under “External Voltage Control”.

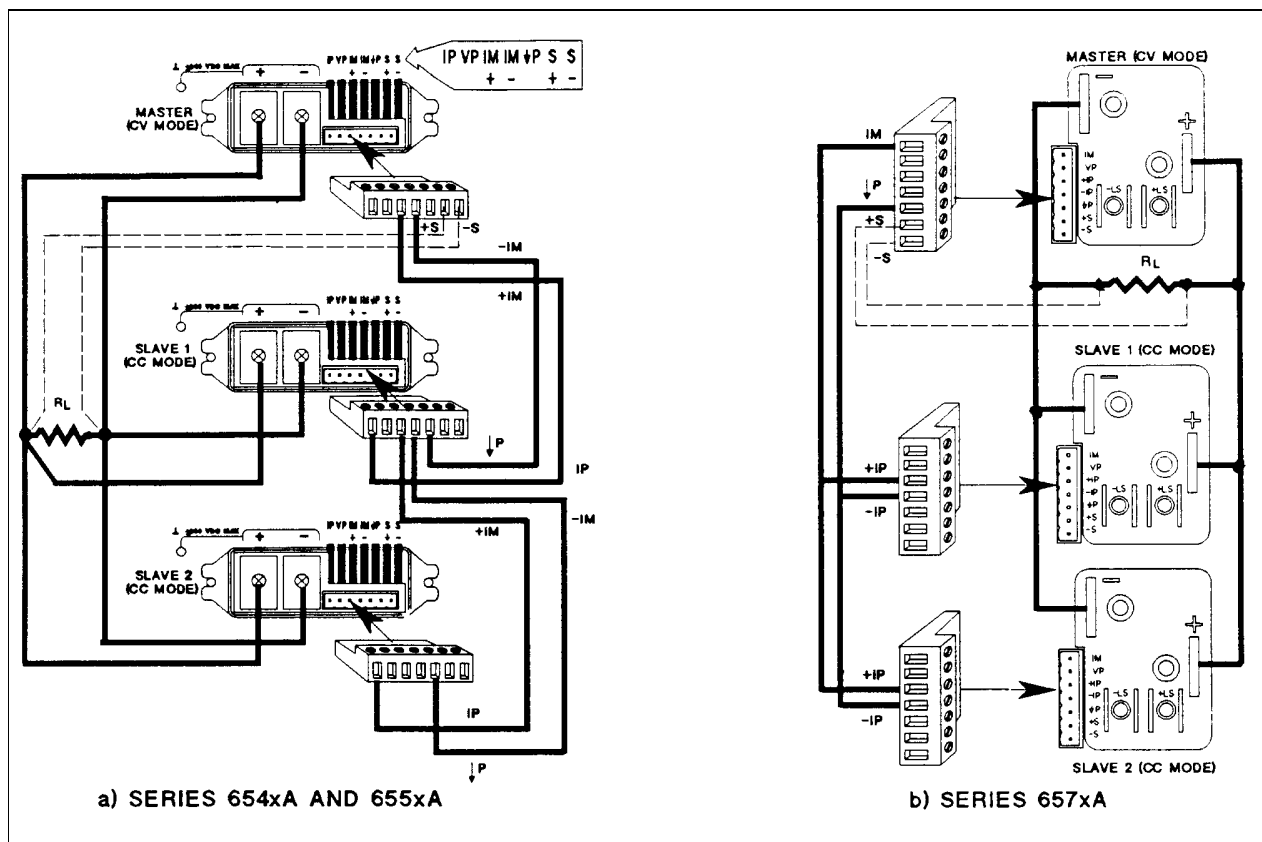


Figure 4-6. Connecting Power Supplies in Auto-Parallel

## General Auto-Parallel Programming

Program only the first (“master”) supply in the series; the “slave” supplies automatically track the master's output. However, the voltage and OVP settings of the slave supplies must be set higher than the operating voltage of the master supply. This ensures that the slave supplies will operate in CC mode.

## Series 654xA and 655xA Auto-Parallel Programming

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**CAUTION** Follow the following operating precautions if you are connecting **three** of these models in auto-parallel.

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You must use caution when connecting three Series 654xA and 655xA power supplies for auto-parallel operation. That is because of the OVP crowbar circuits within these supplies. If the OVP circuit of the second “slave” trips, its crowbar circuit will draw current from the other two supplies. Although some models can withstand this current, the higher-current models in each series (particularly the Agilent 6651A) may be damaged in this situation. Use any of the following operating techniques to avoid possible problems.

### Program Slave 2 OVP to the Maximum Level.

The following technique minimizes the chance that the slave 2 OVP circuit will trip.

1. Program the OVP level of the master and of slave 1 to the desired protection level (below the maximum level specified in Table 1-2b).
2. Program the OV protection level of slave 2 to its maximum value.

### Enable OCP on the Master.

You can do this if the combination of all three supplies is being used in the CV mode and the CC mode is only being used as a current limit. Enable OCP on the master supply. If the OVP on either slave trips it will drive the master into CC mode, thereby tripping its OCP. This will shut down all three supplies. This technique will work unless the system is programmed for very low (0.5 to 1.5) output voltages.

### Insert Protection Diodes.

If you connect the slave 2 supply to the load through a series diode (see Figure 4-7), its OVP circuit will not draw current from other supplies. Be certain to increase the programmed CV level of slave 2 by at least 0.7 V to compensate for the voltage drop in the diode.

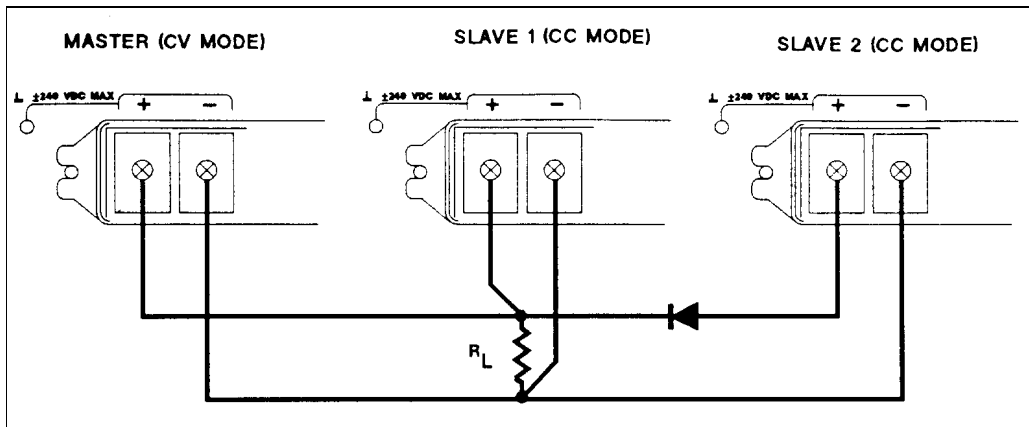


Figure 4-7. Using Series Diodes with Series 654xA/655xA Auto-Parallel Operation

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### Note

Removing or disabling the power supply OVP crowbar SCR is another possibility. For further information, contact an Agilent Service Engineer through your local Agilent Sales and Support office.

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## Series Operation

### WARNING

Floating voltages must not exceed 240 Vdc. No output terminal may be more than 240 V from chassis ground.

Figure 4-8 shows how power supplies can be connected in series for higher voltage output. Series connections are straightforward in this case.

Program each power supply independently. If two supplies are used in the series configuration, program each supply for 50% of the total output voltage. Set the current limit of each supply to the maximum that the load can handle without damage.

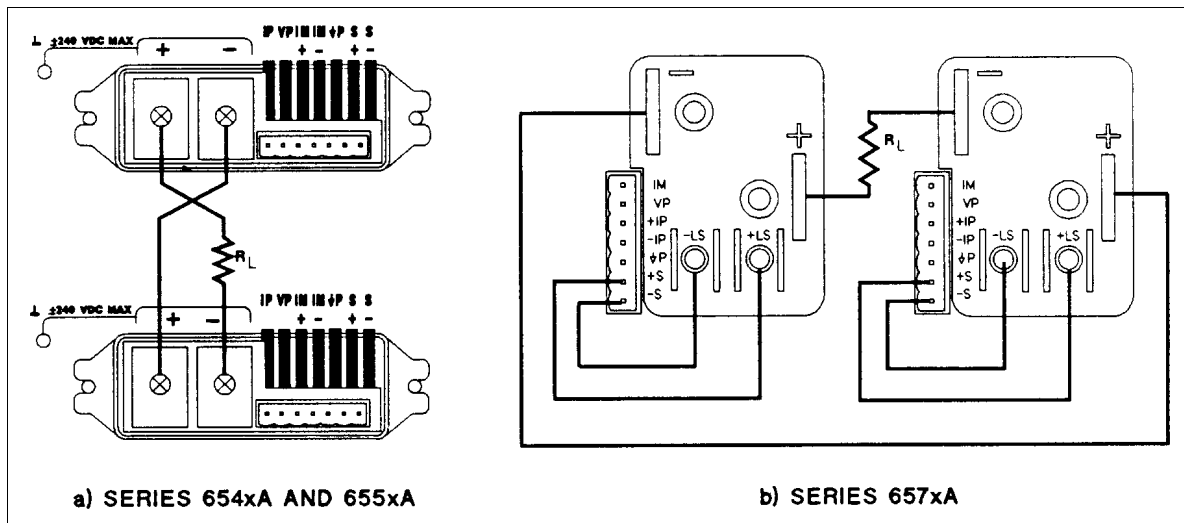


Figure 4-8. Connecting Power Supplies in Series

### CAUTION

Each power supply has a reverse voltage protection diode across its output. If a reverse voltage is applied, the supply cannot control the current conducted through this diode. To avoid damaging the supply, never connect it in such a way that a reverse voltage can force it to conduct current in excess of the supply's maximum reverse diode current (see "Supplemental Characteristics").

## External Voltage Control

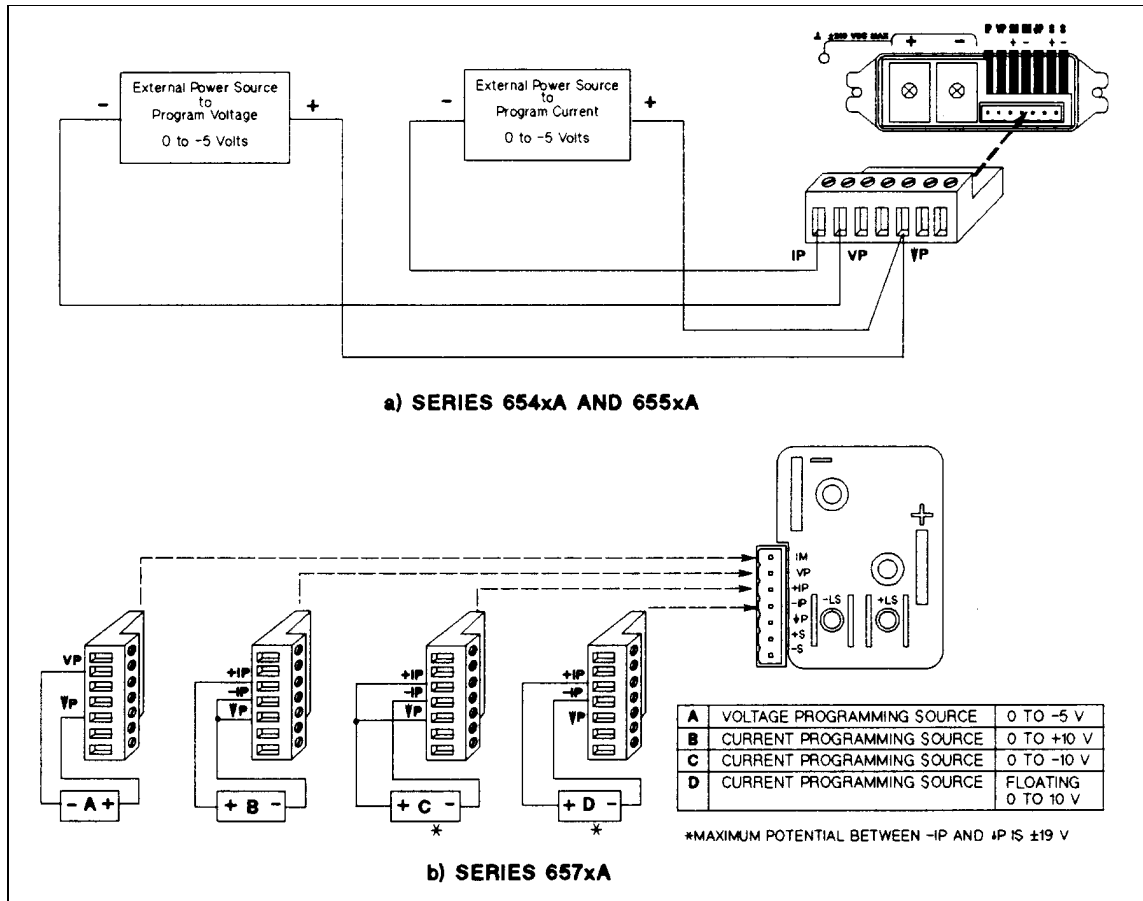
The setup shown in Figure 4-9 allows an external dc voltage to program the power supply output. A voltage applied to the voltage programming input programs the output voltage and a voltage applied to the current programming input programs the output current. See Figure 4-3 and Table 4-1 for an explanation of these programming input connections.

## Programming Series 654xA and 655xA Supplies

### Wiring Considerations

The input impedance of the analog input is 10 k $\Omega$ . If the output impedance of your programming source is not negligible with this, programming errors will result. Larger output impedances result in proportionally greater errors.

Be careful of capacitive coupling from the programming inputs to other lines wired to the analog connector. Such coupling can cause output oscillations. You can minimize coupling by bundling the **IP**, **VP**, and **Common P** lines and keeping them separated from other wires. Twisting these three lines together is also recommended.



**Figure 4-9. External Voltage Programming**

If you cannot avoid capacitive coupling, it may help to place capacitors from the unused programming inputs to ground. Especially with auto-parallel operation, connecting a capacitor ( $\geq 4,000$  pF) from **VP** to **P Common** on the master supply will ensure proper operation. Also with auto-parallel operation, do not allow more than about 500 pF capacitive loading between **IM** and **Common P**.

### Programming Considerations.

When voltage programming the output, the frequency of the programming source is limited by the slew rate of the power supply. To keep the power supply from slewing its output (going into nonlinear operation), the maximum programming rate is 3750 V/s. The maximum downprogramming rate (when the power supply is sinking current) is 750 V/s. These restrictions can be expressed as the maximum programming frequency that can be applied without causing distortion at the output. The following formula can be used to determine this frequency:

$$F_{\text{MAX}} = \frac{50 \text{ (voltage rating of supply)}}{\text{p - p amplitude of desired output sine wave}}$$

At frequencies  $>6$  kHz, voltage programming is subject to a 3 dB bandwidth limitation.

## Programming Series 657xA Supplies

### Wiring Considerations.

The input impedance of the analog input is over 30 k $\Omega$ . If the output impedance of your programming source is not negligible with this, programming errors will result. Larger output impedances result in proportionally greater errors.

Note from Figure 4-3 that you have three options for programming the current. You can use a voltage source that is positive, negative, or floating with respect to **Common P**. Do not exceed  $\pm 19$  V with respect to **Common P**.

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#### CAUTION

Make sure that the common connection for your voltage programming source is isolated from the load. Failure to do this may cause damage to the power supply.

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### OVP Considerations

#### Remote Sensing

The OVP circuit senses the voltage near the output terminals and not at the sense terminals. Depending on the voltage drop between the output terminals and the load, the voltage sensed by the OVP circuit can be significantly higher than that actually being regulated at the load. You must program the OVP trip high enough to compensate for the expected higher voltage at the output terminals.

#### Battery Charging

The power supply's OVP circuit contains a circuit that discharges the output of the supply whenever the OVP trips. If a battery (or other external voltage source) is connected across the output and the OVP is inadvertently triggered or the output is programmed below the battery voltage, the power supply will continuously sink a large current from the battery. This could damage the supply. To avoid this, insert a reverse blocking diode in series with the + output of the supply. Connect the diode cathode to the + battery terminal and the diode anode to the supply + output terminal. The diode may require a heat sink.

#### Series 654xA and 655xA Load Capacitance

For Series 654xA and 655xA power supplies, the OVP circuit has been designed to discharge fully-charged capacitances up to a specified limit for each model. These limits are as follows:

6541A	6542A	6543A	6544A	6545A	6551A	6552A	6553A	6554A	6555A
700,000 $\mu$ F	35,000 $\mu$ F	15,000 $\mu$ F	7,000 $\mu$ F	3,000 $\mu$ F	1.6F	100,000 $\mu$ F	50,000 $\mu$ F	18,000 $\mu$ F	8,000 $\mu$ F

If a load capacitance approaches the specified limit, it is recommended that you do not make it a normal practice of tripping the OVP circuit and discharging the load capacitance through that circuit. This could cause long-term fatigue in some circuit components.

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#### CAUTION

Because of its high output voltage, the Agilent 6555A generates very high currents when discharging the load capacitor under overvoltage conditions. Excessive currents can damage the supply. The peak discharge current is limited by the sum of the external capacitor's ESR (equivalent series resistance) and the series resistance of the external circuit. For the Agilent 6555A's external capacitance limit of 8,000 microfarads, this total resistance must be not less than 56 milliohms. For smaller values of external capacitance, this resistance may be derated linearly.

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# Front Panel Operation

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## Introduction

This chapter shows you how to operate the front panel. It is assumed that you are familiar with the turn-on checkout procedure in Chapter 3. That chapter describes how to perform basic power supply functions from the control panel. Operations that you can perform are:

- Enabling or disabling the power supply output.
- Setting the output voltage and current.
- Monitoring the output voltage and current.
- Setting the overvoltage protection (OVP) trip point.
- Enabling the overcurrent protection (OCP) circuit.
- Saving up to 5 operating states in nonvolatile memory.
- Recalling up to 5 operating states from nonvolatile memory.

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**Note** You also can calibrate the power supply from the front panel (see Appendix A).

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## Getting Acquainted

The front panel is summarized in Figure 5-1. Note that the panel is organized as follows:


- ① LCD display (including annunciators)
- ② Output VOLTAGE and CURRENT rotary (RPG) controls
- ③ SYSTEM keys
- ④ FUNCTION keys
- ⑤ ENTRY keys
- Power On-Off (LINE) switch

Some keys perform two operations. The first operation is shown **on** the key and the second (shifted) operation is shown in blue **above** the key. In order to do a shifted operation, first press the solid blue key, which is unlabeled but shown throughout this manual as **Shift**.

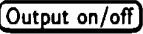


















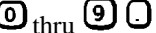




For example, for a recall operation, you press the recall key **Recall**. For a save operation, you press the save key, which is **Shift** **Recall**. In this chapter, such a shifted operation may be shown simply as **Save**.

The display consists of alphanumeric data and triangular-shaped annunciators (▼) along the bottom of the display.

**Table 5-1. Front Panel Controls and Indicators**

Control or Indicator	Function or Indication
<b>1 Display</b>	
VOLTS	Shows present output voltage of the power supply.
AMPS	Shows present output current of the power supply.
<b>Status Annunciators</b>	
CV	The power supply is in constant-voltage mode.
CC	The power supply is in constant-current mode.
Unr	The power supply output is unregulated (output is neither CV or CC).
Dis	The power supply output is disabled.
OCF	The overcurrent protection function is enabled.
Prot	A protection circuit has caused the power supply to shut down. (Press <b>Protect</b> to determine the reason.).
Err	(Not used <sup>1</sup> ).
Cal	The power supply is in calibration mode.
Shift	The shift key <b>Shift</b> has been pressed.
Rmt	(Not used <sup>1</sup> )
Addr	(Not used <sup>1</sup> )
SRQ	(Not used <sup>1</sup> )
<sup>1</sup> These annunciators function only with the corresponding models of GPIB System family of power supplies.	
<b>2 Output Rotary Controls</b>	
Voltage	Rotate clockwise to increase output voltage or program setting. Provides the same function as the <b>↑Voltage</b> and <b>↓Voltage</b> keys.
Current	Rotate clockwise to increase output current or program setting. Provides the same function as the <b>↑Current</b> and <b>↓Current</b> keys.
<b>3 SYSTEM Keys</b>	
<b>Local</b>	(Not used <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Address</b>	(Not used <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Error</b>	(Not used <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Recall</b>	Press to restore a previously saved power supply state. Use ENTRY keys <b>0</b> through <b>4</b> to specify which location to recall. (Select by pressing <b>Shift</b> <b>Recall</b> .) Use the ENTRY keys to specify the location where you want to store the state. You may use locations 0 to 4.
<b>Save</b>	<b>Note:</b> Location 0 may contain the power supply turn-on state. See “Turn-On Operation” in this chapter. Use to save the power supply's present state to nonvolatile memory. (Select by pressing <b>Shift</b> <b>Recall</b> .) Use the ENTRY keys to specify the location where you want to store the state. You may use locations 0 to 4.
	This unlabeled blue key is the Shift key. Press to access the shifted (alternate) key functions.
<sup>2</sup> These keys function only with the corresponding models of GPIB System family of power supplies. Pressing them causes NO GPIB to be displayed.	

**Table 5-1. Front Panel Controls and Indicators (continued)**

Control or Indicator	Function or Indication
<b>4 Function Keys</b>	
	Press to enable or disable the power supply output. This key toggles between the two states. The disabled state programs the output to very low voltage and current settings.
	Press to display the output voltage setting. After pressing  , you may use the ENTRY keys to change the value.
	Press to display the output current setting. After pressing  , you may use the ENTRY keys to change the value.
	When the <b>Prot</b> annunciator comes on, press  to see which protection circuit caused the power supply to shut down. Response can be <b>OC</b> (overcurrent), <b>OT</b> (overtemperature), or <b>OV</b> (overvoltage). If no protection circuit has tripped, the display will show dashes (-- -- -- --)
	Press this key to reset the protection circuit. If the condition that caused the circuit to trip has been removed, the <b>Prot</b> annunciator will go off.
	Press to enable or disable the power supply OCP trip circuit. This key toggles between the two states.
	Press to display the OV trip voltage setting. After pressing  , you may use the ENTRY keys to change the value.
<b>5 ENTRY Keys</b>	
	Press to increment the output voltage in the CV mode, or the voltage setting after you have pressed the  key. <sup>3</sup>
	Press to decrement the output voltage in the CV mode, or the voltage setting after you have pressed the  key. <sup>3</sup>
	Press to increment the output current in the CC mode, or the current setting after you have pressed the  key. <sup>3</sup>
	Press to decrement the output current in the CC mode, or the current setting after you have pressed the  key. <sup>3</sup>
<sup>3</sup> The four incremental keys operate in two modes. Press and release for a single output change determined by the control resolution (see ‘Supplemental Characteristics’ in Chapter 1). Press and hold for an increasingly rapid output change.	
	Press to select numerical values.
	Press to enter a minus sign.
	Press to delete the last keypad entry. Use this key to correct one or more incorrect digits before they are entered.
	Press to delete an entire keypad entry and return to the meter mode. Use this key to exit from a value before it is entered.
	Press to enter a value or to accept an existing value and return the display to the meter mode. The remaining shifted keys are for calibration (see Appendix A).

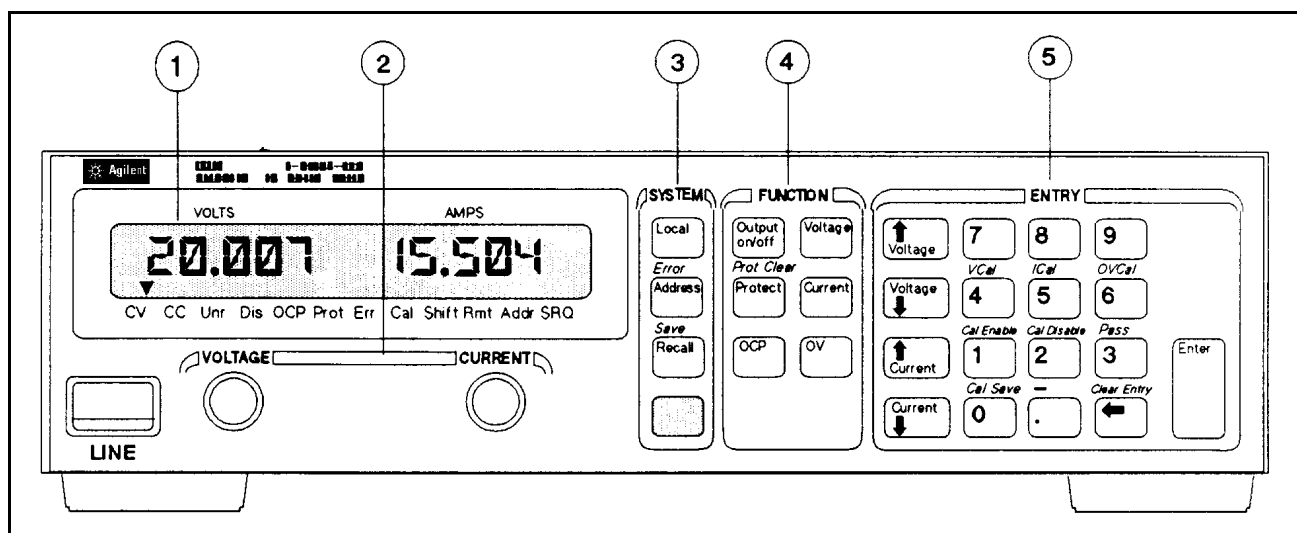


Figure 5-1. Front Panel Controls and Indicators

## Programming The Output

### Introduction

**Important** These instructions show how to program a single power supply. There are special considerations when you have two or more supplies connected in series or in auto-parallel. See “Chapter 4 - User Connections and Considerations”.

The power supply accepts values directly in volts and amperes. Values will be rounded off to the nearest multiple of the output resolution (see “Average Resolution” in “Supplemental Characteristics” of Chapter 1). If you attempt to enter a value not in a valid range, the entry will be ignored and **OUT OF RANGE** appears on the display.

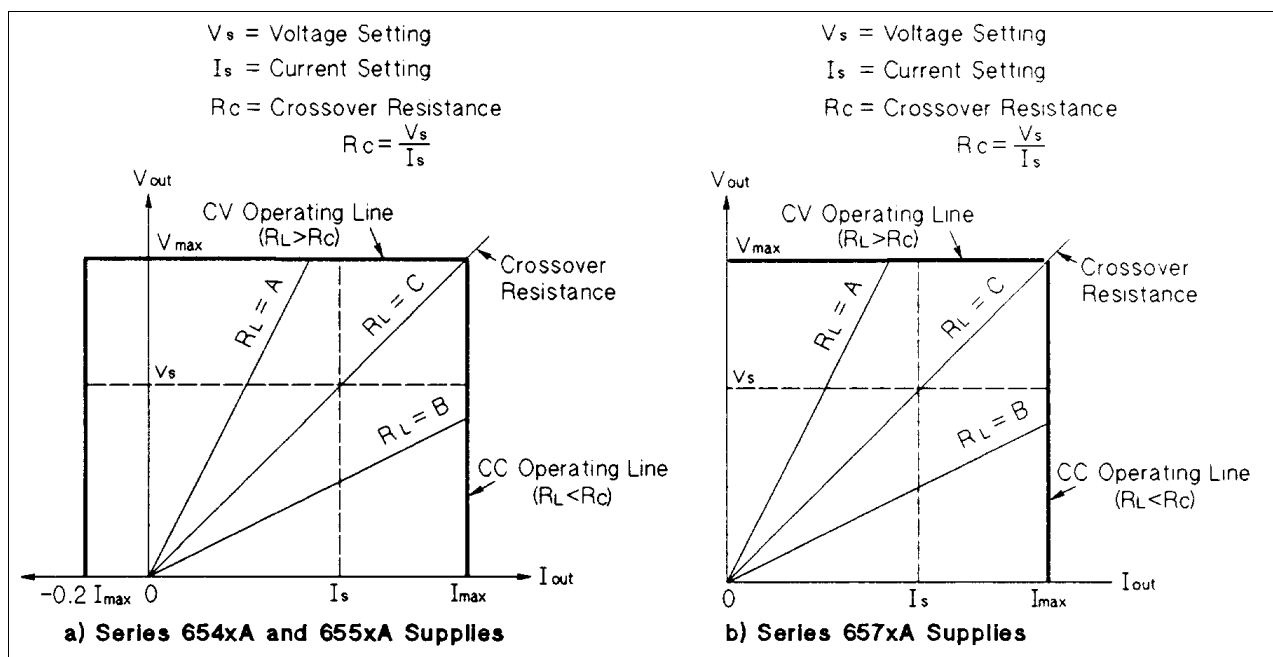
Figure 5-2 shows the general response of a typical power supply. Note that the Series 654xA and 655xA supplies have a small negative current area. This is for downprogramming purposes. Always keep the output current within the positive area and within the boundaries of the particular operating line for the specified mode of operation (CV or CC).

### Establishing Initial Conditions

Set the power supply to the following conditions by pressing the specified keys as required:

Zero voltage output	<b>Voltage</b> <b>0</b> <b>Enter</b>
Minimal current output	<b>Current</b> <b>.</b> <b>5</b> <b>Enter</b>
<b>Dis</b> annunciator off	<b>Output on/off</b> (If needed)
<b>OCP</b> annunciator off	<b>OCP</b> (If needed)
<b>Prot</b> annunciator off	<b>Shift</b> <b>Protect</b> (If needed)





**Figure 5-2. Typical Power Supply Operating Curve**

### Programming Voltage

To program the output for 4.5 volts, proceed as follows:

- Press **Voltage**. The display will change from meter mode to indicate VOLTS.
- Press **4** **.** **5** **Enter**. If you discover a mistake before pressing **Enter**, erase the incorrect value with the backspace key **←**.
- The display will return to the meter mode and indicate 4.5000 volts.

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**Note** The power supply must be programmed for a minimal current in order to increase the output voltage beyond zero. Normally, there is sufficient current to do this. If the power supply does not respond or the **Unr** annunciator comes on, go to “Programming Current” and set the current to a small value.

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Now raise the voltage by pressing **↑Voltage** (or rotating the **Voltage** control clockwise). Note that the voltage increases by a specific increment (depending on the voltage resolution) each time you press the key and increases rapidly as you hold down the key. To lower the voltage, press **↓Voltage** or rotate the **Voltage** control counterclockwise. Try to program a voltage greater than the  $V_{MAX}$  for your supply. Note that the display shows **OUT OF RANGE**.

### Programming Current

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**Note** You may program the power supply current without a load, but must have a load in order to draw output current. If you do not have a load on the power supply, you may connect a short across the output terminals for this procedure. **Turn the power supply off before making any connections.**

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To program the output current to 1.3 amperes, proceed as follows:

- Make certain that the voltage is not programmed to zero.
- Press **Current**. The display will change from meter mode to indicate AMPS.

- Press **1** **0** **3** **Enter**. If you discover a mistake before pressing **Enter**, erase the incorrect value with the backspace key **←**.
- The display will return to the meter mode and indicate up to 1.3000 amperes, depending upon the load.

Now raise the current by pressing **↑Current** (or rotating the **Current** control clockwise). Note that the current increases by a specific increment (depending on the current resolution) each time you press the key and increases rapidly as you hold down the key. To lower the current, press **↓Current** rotate the **Current** control counterclockwise.

Try to program a current greater than the I<sub>MAX</sub> for your supply. Note that the display shows **OUT OF RANGE**.

## CV Mode vs. CC Mode

Once you program a voltage ( $V_s$ ) and a current ( $I_s$ ), the power supply will try to maintain itself in either CV or CC mode, depending on the resistance of the load ( $R_L$ ). If the load demands less current than  $I_s$ , operation will be in CV mode with the voltage maintained at  $V_s$ . The output current will be at some value below  $I_s$  as determined by  $V_s \div R_L$ .

For an Agilent 6552A supply,  $I_{MAX} = 25.594$  amperes and  $V_{MAX} = 20.475$  volts. If you program the output for  $\leq 25$  amperes at 20 volts, the supply will operate in the CV mode for all resistances  $> 0.8$  ohms. This represents the operating resistance shown as  $R_L = C$  in Figure 5-2. The supply will vary the output current to maintain a constant voltage of 25 volts. If the load resistance is  $< 0.8$  ohms, the supply will vary its output voltage to maintain a constant current output of 25 amperes. However, if you reprogram the output voltage to a lower value  $V_s$  (see Figure 5-2), then the supply will again be able to maintain CV operation with the lesser load resistance, such as  $R_L = B$  in Figure 5-2.

## Programming Overvoltage Protection

Overvoltage protection guards the load against voltages that reach a specified value above the programmed output voltage.

### Setting the OVP Level

Assuming that a power supply is programmed for 10 volts, you can set the OVP level to 11.5 volts as follows:

- Press **OV**. The display will change from meter mode to indicate **0V**, followed by the present OVP value.
- Press **1** **1** **5** **Enter**.
- The display will return to the meter mode and indicate the output (10.000 volts).
- Press **OV** again. The display will now indicate **0V 11.500**.
- Press **Enter** to return to the meter mode.

### Checking OVP Operation

Assuming the above operating conditions, trip the OVP circuit as follows:

- Raise the output voltage close to the trip point, such as 11.0.
- Gradually increase the output voltage by pressing **↑Voltage** until the OVP circuit trips. This will cause the output voltage to drop to zero and the **Prot** annunciator to go on.
- There now is no power supply output due to an overvoltage condition.
- To verify this, press **Protect** and observe that the display indicates 0V.

## Clearing the OVP Condition

With the OVP tripped, return to the meter mode and try to clear the condition by pressing **Prot Clear**. Nothing will appear to happen because the CV trip point is still below the programmed output voltage. Thus, as soon as the circuit is cleared, it trips again. You can clear the OV condition by:

- lowering the output voltage below 11.5 (the OV setting),
- or by raising the OV trip voltage above the output voltage setting.

Try either of these methods. Now when you press **Prot Clear**, the **Prot** annunciator will go off and the output voltage will return to normal.

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### Note

In Series 654XA and 655XA supplies, the OVP circuit shorts the power supply output through an SCR. If the load maintains current through the SCR, the above methods will not clear an OVP trip condition. You must first remove the external current source before attempting to clear OVP.

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## Programming Overcurrent Protection

When enabled, overcurrent protection removes the power supply output whenever it goes into CC operation. This prevents the supply from indefinitely supplying the full programmed current to the load.

### Setting the OCP Protection

To activate overcurrent protection, press **OCP**. The **OCP** annunciator will come on and power supply will continue to operate normally until it is forced into CC operation. If that occurs, the power supply will remove its output.

### Checking OCP Operation

The easiest way to check this operation at any specified current is to place a short across the output. If the supply is connected to an Agilent Electronic Load, press its key. The power supply output will then drop to zero and the **Prot** annunciator will come on.

There is now no power supply output due to an overcurrent condition. To verify this, press **Protect** and observe that the display indicates 0C.

### Clearing the OCP Condition

With the OCP tripped, return to the meter mode and try to clear the condition by pressing **Prot Clear**. Nothing will appear to happen because the reason for the condition has not been removed. Thus, as soon as the circuit is cleared, it trips again. You can clear the OC condition by:

- increasing the load resistance to lower the output current below the programmed current value,
- or by raising the programmed current to a value above that required by the load.

In this example, the easiest way to clear the OCP fault is by removing the short from across the output. After doing this, you clear the OVP circuit by pressing **Prot Clear**. The **Prot** annunciator will go off and the power supply output will be restored to normal.

If desired, you can also restore the output by disabling the OCP function (press **OCP**) to turn off the **OCP** annunciator. This restores the output but does not clear any condition that may have caused OCP to trip.

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**Note**

Under certain conditions, the OCP circuit may fail to clear because load demand occurs before the power supply has time to build up the required output current capacity. In such cases, disable the output (press **Output on/off**) before clearing the OCP circuit. After OCP is cleared, enable the power supply output.

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**Unregulated Operation**

If the power supply goes into a mode of operation that is neither CV nor CC, the **Unr** annunciator will come on. An unregulated condition limits the output current to a value that is safe for the supply. Some unregulated states occur so briefly that they do not turn on the **Unr** annunciator. One condition that can cause a noticeable unregulated state is low ac line voltage.

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**Saving and Recalling Operating States****Normal Operation**

You can save programming time by storing up to 5 power supply operating states in nonvolatile memory. The programming parameters that are saved are:

- Output voltage    Output current    \*OVP voltage
- OCP state (on or off)    Output state (enabled or disabled)

As an example, set up the following state:

- Voltage = 4 V    Current = 1 A    OVP voltage = 5.5 V
- OCP = on (**OCP** annunciator on)    Output = Off (**Dis** annunciator on)

Save the above state to location 1 by pressing **Save** **1** **Enter**.

Now set up the following state:

- Voltage = 8 V    Current = 1.5 A    OVP voltage = 8.5 V
- OCP = off (**OCP** annunciator off)    Output = On (**Dis** annunciator off)

Save the above state to location 2 by pressing **Save** **2** **Enter**.

Now restore the first state by pressing **Recall** **1** **Enter** and verify the parameters. Restore the second state by pressing **Recall** **2** **Enter**. Note how the power supply is automatically programmed each time.

**Turn-On Operation**

Whenever you apply power to a new power supply it automatically turns on in a safe reset state with the following parameters:

- **Output** off    **Voltage** minimum    **Current** near zero
- **OV** maximum    **OCP** off

It is recommended that you leave the turn-on conditions as programmed. However, you may change them if you wish. To do this, proceed as follows:

1. Set up the power supply to the state you want when it is turned on.

2. Store that state to location 0.
3. Turn off the power supply.
4. Hold in the **8** key and turn the power supply back on. The display indicates **RCL 0 PWR-ON** to verify that the power supply has configured its turn-on state to that stored in location 0.
5. From now on the supply will always turn on to the state defined in location 0.

Whenever you wish, you can return the power supply to the original factory reset state. To do this, simply hold down the **9** key when you turn on the supply. The display indicates **RST PWR-ON** to verify that the power supply has configured its turn-on state to the original reset state. From now on it will continue to turn on in that state.



# Calibration

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## Introduction

The power supply may be calibrated from the front panel. The procedures given here apply to all models.

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**Important** These instructions do not include verification procedures. If you require verification as part of your calibration procedure, refer to the appropriate service manual (see Table 1-3 in Chapter 1).

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## Equipment

The equipment listed in Table A-1, or equivalent, is required for calibration.

**Table A-1. Equipment Required for Calibration**

Equipment	Characteristics	Recommended Model
Voltmeter	D-c accuracy 0.005%, 6 digits	Agilent 3456A or 3458A
<b>Shunt Resistor</b>		
Agilent 6541A	0.01 $\Omega$ , 0.04%, 100 A, 100 W	Guildline 9230/100
Agilent 6542A, 43A, 44A, 45A	0.1 $\Omega$ , 0.04%, 15 A, 100 W	Guildline 9230/15
Agilent 6551A, 52A	0.01 $\Omega$ , 0.04%, 100 A, 100 W	Guildline 9230/100
Agilent 6553A, 54A, 55A	0.1 $\Omega$ , 0.04%, 15 A, 100 W	Guildline 9230/15
Agilent 6571A	0.001 $\Omega$ , 0.04%, 300 A, 100 W	Guildline 9230/300
Agilent 6572A, 73A, 74A, 75A	0.01 $\Omega$ , 0.04%, 100 A, 100 W	Guildline 9230/100

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## General Procedure

### **WARNING**

Because the power supply output must be enabled during calibration, voltages or currents hazardous to personnel and/or dangerous to equipment can appear at the output terminals.

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### Parameters Calibrated

You can calibrate the voltage output and readback, the current output, and the OVP trip function. The normal procedure is to calibrate voltage first, then current. However, you do not have to do a complete calibration each time. If required, you may calibrate only the voltage or the current and then proceed to “Saving the Calibration Constants”.

If you want to calibrate the OVP trip function, the power supply will do it automatically via firmware and store the OV calibration constant. *The voltage output must be in calibration before the OV trip voltage is calibrated.*

## Equipment Connections

For voltage calibration:

- Disconnect all loads from the power supply.
- Connect the supply for local sensing (see Figure 4-1 or Figure 4-2).
- Connect a DVM across the output terminals.

For current calibration:

- Disconnect all loads from the power supply.
- Connect the appropriate shunt resistor across the output terminals (see Table A-1).
- Connect a DVM across the sense terminals of the shunt resistor.

For OVP Calibration

- None (The firmware performs the calibration based on the voltage calibration constants.)

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### Note

You can exit the calibration procedure at any time without changing the existing calibration constants. To do this, press **Cal Disable**.

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## Performing The Calibration

Seven shifted keys and the Entry keypad are used for calibration functions (See “Chapter 5 - Front Panel Operation” for an explanation of shifted keys and the keypad). The following procedures assume you understand how to operate the front panel keys and that the test equipment is connected.

### Entering the Calibration Values

Use the procedure in Table A-2 for entering new calibration values.

### Saving the Calibration Constants



Storing the calibration constants overwrites the existing ones in nonvolatile memory. If you are not absolutely sure that you want to store the new constants, omit this step. The power supply calibration constants then will remain unchanged.

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To replace any existing calibration constants with ones you have just entered, press **Cal Save**. CAL SAVED then appears on the display.

### Changing the Calibration Password

You can change the password only when the module is in the calibration mode (which requires you to know the present password). When in this mode, proceed as follows:

1. Press **Pass**.
2. In response to the prompt, enter the new password. It can be up to 6 integers or 6 integers and a decimal point. If you enter more than the permitted number of integers, the extra ones will be ignored.
3. **AGAIN** will appear on the display. Enter the new password a second time.
4. When **OK** is displayed, you have changed the password. You do not have to save it. Press **Enter** to return to the meter mode.



**Table A-2. Typical Calibration Procedure**

Action	Display Response
<b>Enabling the Calibration Mode</b>	
1. Begin calibration by pressing <b>Cal Enable</b> .	PASWD <sup>1</sup>
2. Enter calibration password from Entry keypad.	
If password is correct the Cal annunciator will come on.	
If password is incorrect, an error occurs. <sup>2</sup>	PASSWD ERROR
<b>Note:</b> The initial (factory-default) password is the model number of the power supply, but it can be changed (see “Changing the Password”).	
<b>Entering Voltage Calibration Values</b>	
1. Make certain the DVM is the only load on the power supply.	(Meter mode) VRDG1
2. Select the first calibration point by pressing <b>Vcal</b> .	WRONG MODE
If the power supply is not in CV mode, an error occurs.	(Meter mode)
3. Read the DVM and use the Entry keypad to enter the first voltage value.	VRDG2
4. Select the second calibration point by pressing <b>Vcal</b> again.	(Meter mode)
5. Read the DVM and use the Entry keypad to enter the second voltage value.	CAL ERROR
<b>Note:</b> If one of the entered values is not within acceptable range, an error occurs. <i>The power supply is now holding the new voltage calibration constants in RAM.</i>	
<b>Calibrating the OVP Trip Point</b>	
1. Make certain the voltage has been calibrated and there is no load on the power supply.	(Meter mode)
2. Select OVP calibration by pressing <b>OVCal</b> .	OVPCAL
3. Wait for the power supply to compute the OVP calibration constant.	CAL COMPLETE
If the supply goes unregulated or into CC mode during OVP calibration, an error occurs.	NOT CV MODE
If the computed constant is out of acceptable range, an error occurs.	DOES NOT CAL
<i>The power supply is now holding the new OVP calibration constant in RAM.</i>	
<b>Entering Current Calibration Values</b>	
1. Make certain appropriate shunt resistor (see Table A-1) is the only load on the power supply.	(Meter mode)
2. Select the first calibration point by pressing <b>Ical</b> .	IRDG1
If the power supply is not in CC mode, an error occurs.	WRONG MODE
3. Read DVM and compute the first current value (DVM reading divided by shunt resistance). (Wait for DVM reading to stabilize).	(Meter mode)
4. Use Entry keypad to enter the first current value.	IRDG2
5. Select second calibration point by pressing <b>Ical</b> again.	(Meter mode)
6. Read DVM and compute the second current value (DVM reading divided by shunt resistance). (Wait for DVM reading to stabilize)	
7. Use Entry keypad to enter the second current value.	(Meter mode)
<b>Note:</b> If one of the entered values is not within acceptable range, an error occurs.	CAL ERROR
<i>The power supply is now holding the new current calibration constants in RAM.</i>	
<sup>1</sup> If CAL DENIED appears, then an internal jumper has been set to prevent the calibration from being changed. (See the <i>Service Manual</i> .)	
<sup>2</sup> If the active password is lost, the calibration function can be recovered by moving an internal jumper that defeats password protection. However, this also will change all calibration constants to their factory-default values. (For more information, see the <i>Service Manual</i> .)	

**Note**

If you want **Cal Enable** to operate without requiring any password, change the password to **0** (zero).

## Disabling the Calibration Mode

To disable the calibration mode, press **Cal Disable**. The display will return to the meter mode with the **Cal** annunciator off. If you shut off the power supply with calibration enabled, it will be disabled when you turn it back on.

## Calibration Error Messages

The following error messages may appear during calibration:

**Table A-3. Calibration Error Messages**

<b>CAL ERROR</b>	An entered value is not within acceptable range.
<b>DOES NOT CAL</b>	Computed calibration constant is out of range.
<b>PASSWD ERROR</b>	You entered an incorrect password.
<b>WRONG MODE</b>	The power supply is not in CV or CC mode, as required.

# Line Voltage Conversion

## Series 654xA and 655xA Power Supplies

### WARNING

Hazardous voltage can remain inside the power supply even after it has been turned off. This procedure should be done only by qualified electronics personnel.

Provisions for converting the operating line voltage are provided inside the power supply. These provisions are:

- Series 654xA supplies: voltage select switches.
- Series 655xA supplies: voltage select jumpers.

You must also *change the power fuse* to correspond to the new line voltage setting. If you need a different power cord, contact your nearest Agilent Sales and Support Office.

Proceed as follows:

1. Turn off the ac power and disconnect the power cord.
2. Remove the four screws securing the carrying straps and dustcover.
3. Slide the dustcover back far enough to expose the line select switches (see Figure B-1) or the line select jumpers (see Figure B-2).
4. On a Series 654xA supply, move the line select switches to the positions corresponding to the desired voltage (see Figure B-1).
5. On a Series 655xA supply, move the line select jumpers to the positions corresponding to the desired voltage (see Figure B-2).

To disconnect it from the transformer tab, pull the wire straight up. Do not wiggle the wire from side-to-side as this can damage the tab.

6. Replace the top cover and secure the carrying straps.
7. Change the line fuse (on the rear panel) to the proper value for the new line voltage setting (see Table 1-3 in Chapter 1).

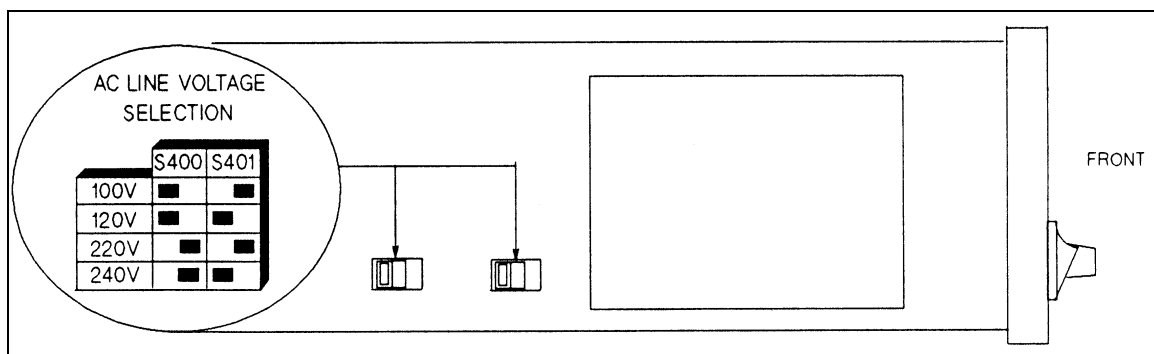


Figure B-1. Series 654xA Line Select Switches

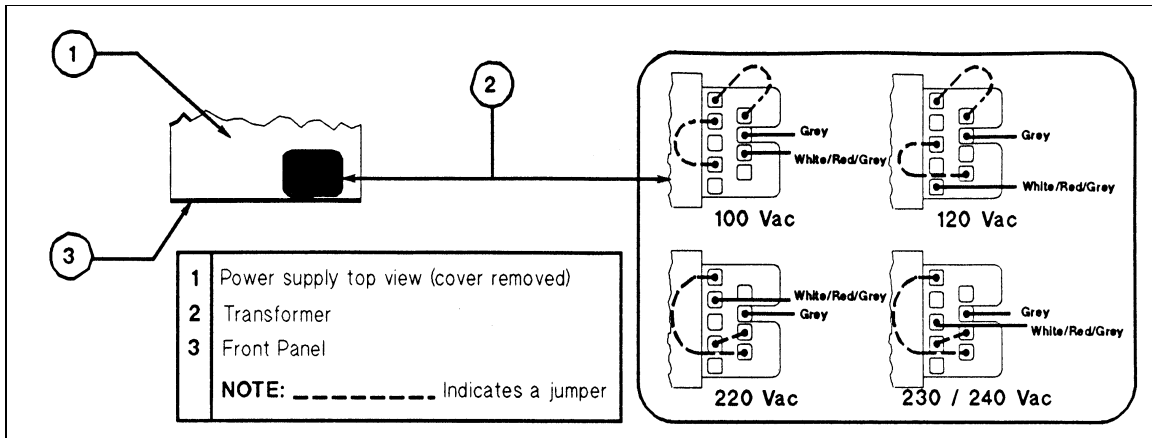


Figure B-2. Series 655xA Line Select Jumpers

## Series 657xA Power Supplies

### WARNING

Hazardous voltage can remain inside the power supply even after it has been turned off. This procedure should be done only by qualified electronics personnel.

Provisions for converting the operating line voltage are provided inside the power supply. .  
 These provisions are:

1. Turn off the ac power and disconnect the power cord from the power source.
2. Remove the four screws securing the carrying straps and dustcover.
3. Spread the bottom rear of the dustcover and pull it back to disengage it from the front panel.
4. Slide the dustcover back far enough to expose the line select switch (see Figure B-3).
5. Observe the input rail LED under the RFI shield. **If the LED is on, there is still hazardous voltage inside the supply.** Wait until the LED goes out (this may take several minutes) before proceeding.
6. Connect a dc voltmeter across test points TP1 and TP2. (It may be necessary to remove the RFI shield in order to reach these test points. The shield is secured by four screws on each side.) When the voltmeter indicates 60 volts or less, it is safe to work inside the power supply.
7. Locate the line selector switch and slide it to the desired position.
8. If you removed it in step 6, be sure to replace the RFI shield.
9. Replace the dustcover.

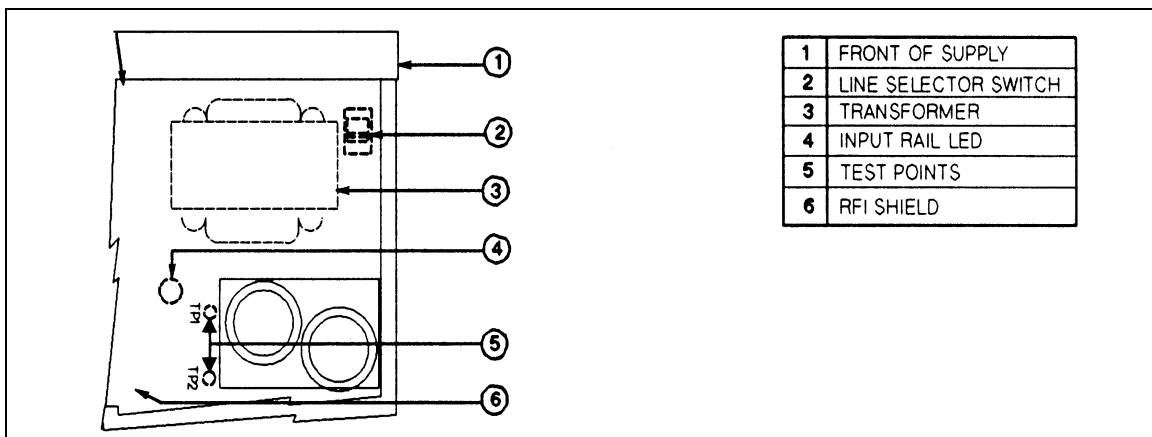



Figure B-3. Series 657xA Line Select Switch

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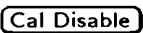






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