

STEPS TO CONNECT AND CONFIGURE THE OSCILLOSCOPE FOR AUTOMATED CONTROL

1. Install Required Software

To interface your oscilloscope with your PC, install the following software:

1. Download and Install Keysight IO Libraries Suite

- This suite provides the necessary drivers and communication tools for connecting instruments.
- Follow the on-screen instructions to complete the installation.

2. Download and Install Keysight Command Expert

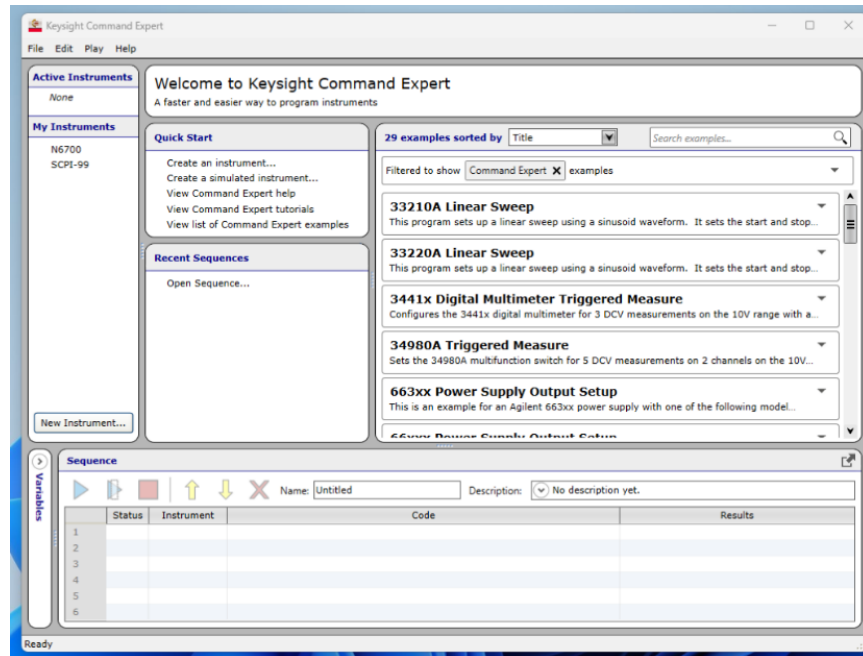
- This tool allows you to send SCPI commands and automate instrument control.
- Complete the installation by following the setup wizard.

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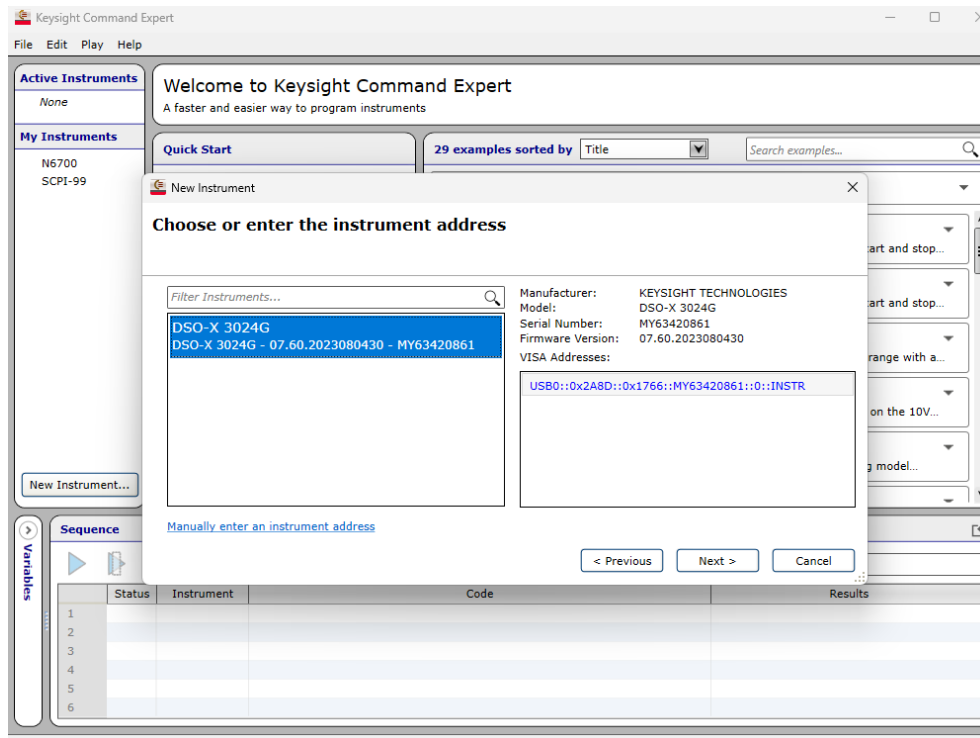
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2. Connect the Oscilloscope

1. Open **Keysight Command Expert**.
2. Click on "**New Instrument**".
3. Use a **USB cable** to connect the oscilloscope to your computer.



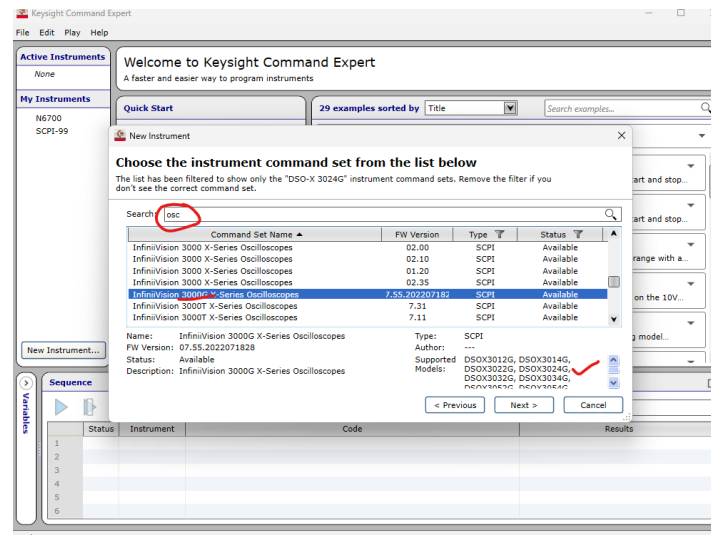
4. The program should **automatically detect** the connected instrument.



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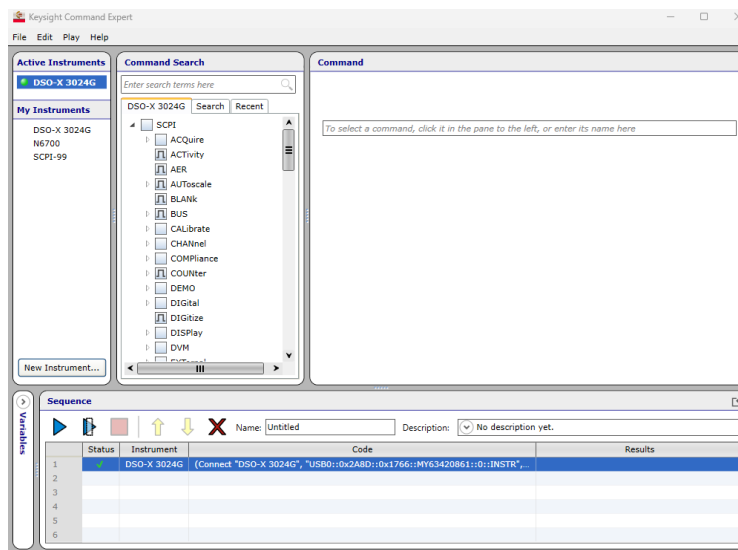
3. Configure the Command Sets

1. The program will provide a **list of available command sets**.
2. Check the **model number** of your oscilloscope to select the appropriate command set.
3. Follow the program's instructions to **download and install** the required command sets.



4. Verify the Connection

1. Ensure the oscilloscope is successfully recognized by the software.
2. If the connection fails, try:
 - Restarting the oscilloscope and software.
 - Reconnecting the USB cable.
 - Checking for missing drivers.



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5. Setting Up Python for Instrument Control

To communicate with the oscilloscope using Python in **VS Code**, install the required dependencies:

1. Open a terminal in **VS Code** and run the following commands:

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pip install pyvisa
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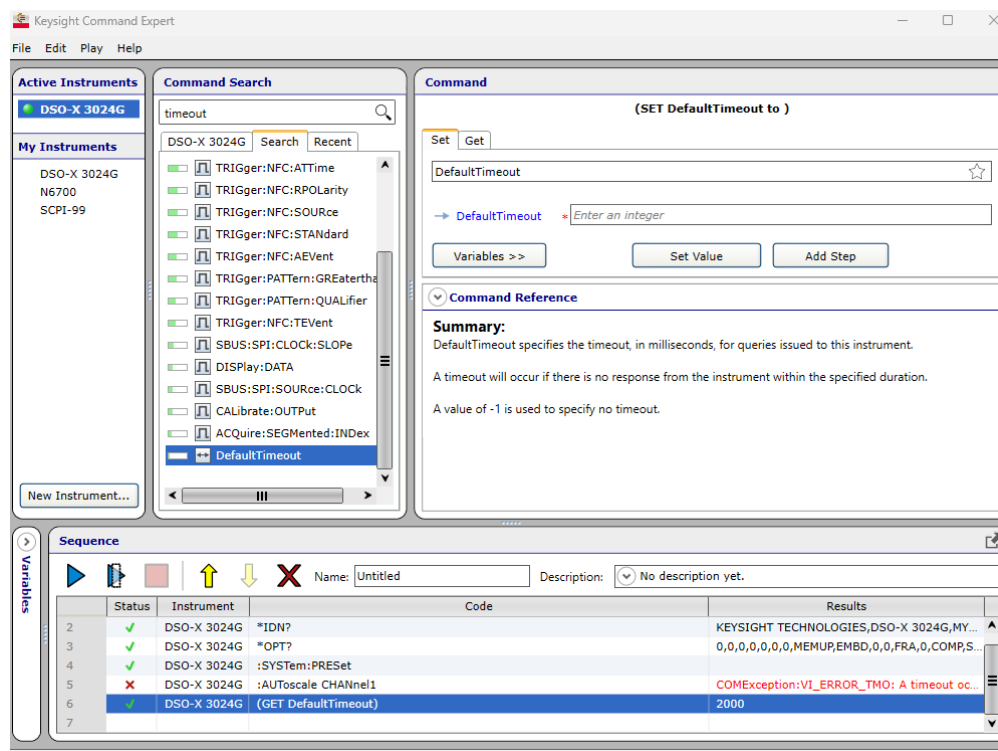
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pip install --pre pythonnet
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[8] ✓ 3.4s
... Collecting pythonnet
      Downloading pythonnet-3.0.3-py3-none-any.whl.metadata (6.6 kB)
Collecting clr-loader<0.3.0,>=0.2.6 (from pythonnet)
      Downloading clr_loader-0.2.6-py3-none-any.whl.metadata (1.4 kB)
Collecting cffi>=1.13 (from clr-loader<0.3.0,>=0.2.6->pythonnet)
      Downloading cffi-1.17.0rc1-cp311-cp311-win_amd64.whl.metadata (1.6 kB)
Collecting pycparser (from cffi>=1.13->clr-loader<0.3.0,>=0.2.6->pythonnet)
      Downloading pycparser-2.22-py3-none-any.whl.metadata (943 bytes)
      Downloading pythonnet-3.0.3-py3-none-any.whl (290 kB)
----- 0.0/291.0 kB ? eta -:--:--
----- 61.4/291.0 kB 1.7 MB/s eta 0:00:01
----- 286.7/291.0 kB 4.5 MB/s eta 0:00:01
----- 291.0/291.0 kB 3.0 MB/s eta 0:00:00
      Downloading clr_loader-0.2.6-py3-none-any.whl (51 kB)
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2. Test the connection using basic SCPI commands such as:

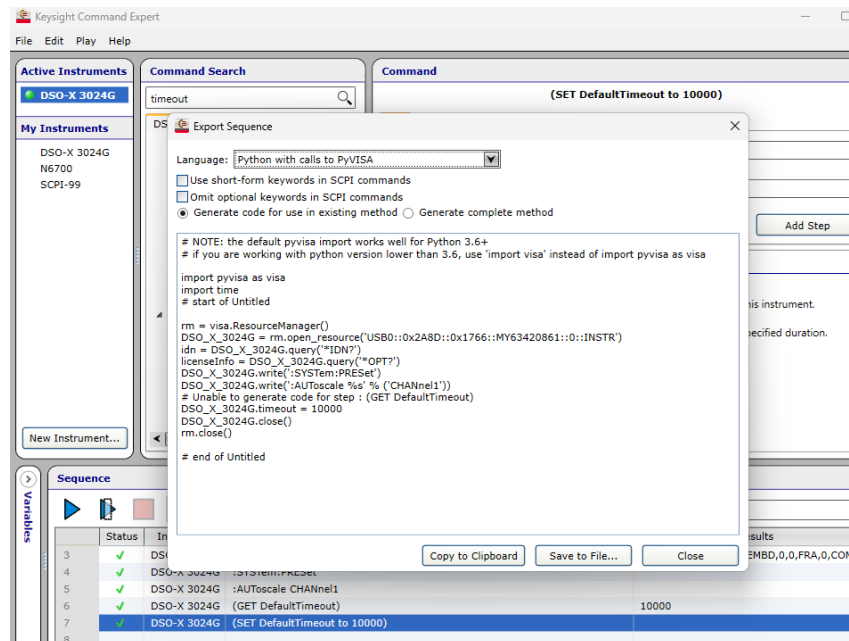
- **Auto Scale**
- **Identify (*IDN?)**

This ensures the PC can send commands successfully.



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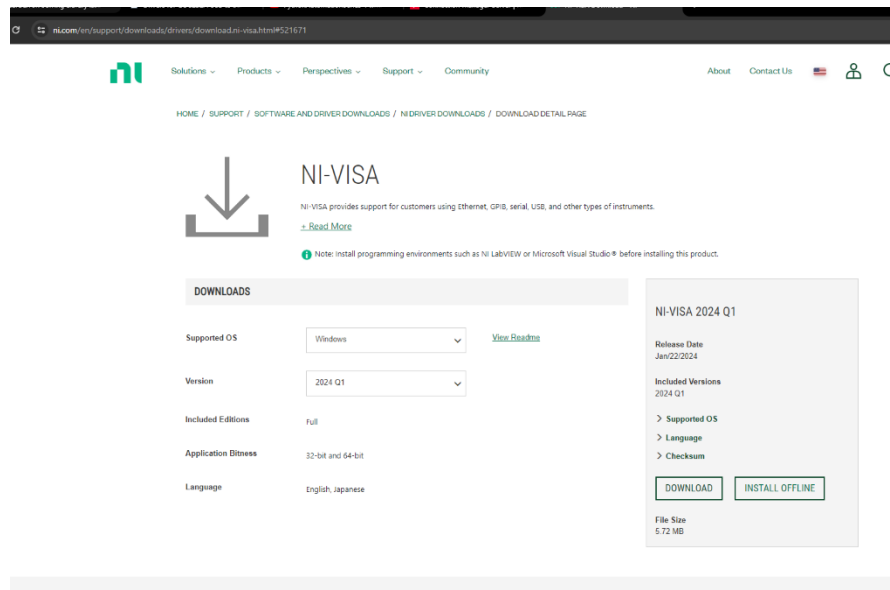
3. You can also **export sequences** of commands from **Keysight Command Expert** in your preferred programming language.



6. Troubleshooting

If you encounter an error like **“Cannot find VISA”** in VS Code:

- **Download and install NI-VISA** from the National Instruments website.
- Restart your system and try running the Python script again.



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