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User Manual

Programmable Laboratory Power Supply

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1. General Safety Requirements

Before use, please read the following safety precautions to avoid any possible bodily injury and to prevent this product or any other connected products from damage. To avoid any contingent danger, ensure this product is only used within the ranges specified.

Only a qualified person should perform internal maintenance.

To avoid Fire or Personal Injury:

- **Use Proper Power Cord.** Use only the power cord supplied with the product and certified to use in your country.
- **Product Grounded.** This instrument is grounded through the power cord grounding conductor. To avoid electric shock, the grounding conductor must be grounded. The product must be grounded properly before any connection with its input or output terminals.
- Check all Terminal Ratings. To avoid fire or shock hazard, check all ratings and markings on this product. Refer to the user manual for more information about ratings before connecting to the instrument.
- **Do not operate without covers**. Do not operate the instrument with covers or panels removed.
- Use the Proper Fuse. Use only the specified type and rating fuse for this instrument.
- **Avoid exposed circuit**. Be careful when working on exposed circuitry to avoid risk of electric shock or other injury.
- **Do not operate if any damage.** If you suspect damage to the instrument, have it inspected by qualified service personnel before further use.
- Use your instrument in a well-ventilated area. Please keep well ventilated and inspect the intake and fan regularly.
- **Do not operate in damp conditions.** To avoid short circuiting to the interior of the device or electric shock, please do not operate in a humid environment.
- **Do not operate in an explosive atmosphere.** To avoid damages to the device or personal injuries, it is important to operate the device away from an explosive atmosphere.
- **Keep product surfaces clean and dry.** To avoid the influence of dust or moisture in air, please keep the surface of device clean and dry.

2. Safety Terms and Symbols

Safety Terms

Terms in this manual (The following terms may appear in this manual):



Warning: Warning indicates conditions or practices that could result in injury or loss of life.



Caution: Caution indicates the conditions or practices that could result in damage to this product or other property.

Terms on the product. The following terms may appear on this product:

Danger: Indicates an immediate hazard or injury possibility.

Warning: Indicates a possible hazard or injury.

Caution: Indicates potential damage to the instrument or other property.

Safety Symbols

Symbols on the product. The following symbols may appear on the product:



Hazardous Voltage



Refer to Manual



Protective Earth Terminal



Chassis Ground



Public Ground

3. Quick Start

3.1 Front/Rear Panel and User Interface

3.1.1 Front Panel

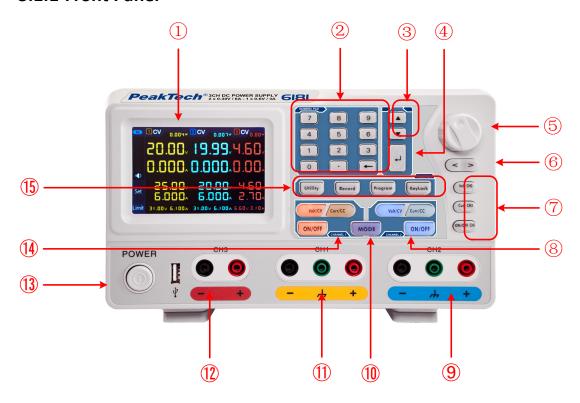


Figure 3-1 Front panel overview

1	LCD	User interface display	
2	Numeric keys area	Parameter input, includes the numeric keys, decimal point and backspace key.	
3	Up and down direction key	Select sub menu	
4	Enter key	Enter menu or confirm the parameter entered	
5	Knob	Select menu or change the value, pressing it has the same effect as pressing the enter key	
6	Left and right direction key	Set sub menu or move the cursor	
7	CH3 control area	Volt CH3 key: Set the output voltage of CH3 Curr CH3 key: Set the output current of CH3 ON/OFF CH3 key: Enable/disable the output of CH3	

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8	CH2 control area	Blue Volt/CV key: Set the output voltage of CH2 Blue Curr/CC key: Set the output current of CH2 Blue ON/OFF key: Enable/disable the output of CH2		
9	CH2 output terminals	Channel 2 output connectors		
10	MODE key	Switch between All Channel mode (CH1 & CH2 & CH3) and Dual Channel Mode (CH1 & CH2).		
11)	CH1 output terminals	Channel 1 output connectors		
12	CH3 output terminals	Channel 3 output connectors		
13	Power button	Turn on/off the instrument		
14)	CH1 control area	Orange Volt/CV key: Set the output voltage of CH1 Orange Curr/CC key: Set the output current of CH1 Orange ON/OFF key: Enable/disable the output of CH1		
(5)	Function keys	Utility key: Menu of output mode, utility, info, port settings. Record key: Save settings, auto record, and view recording. Program key: Programmable output. KeyLock key: Press and hold this key for 5 seconds to lock the panel keys. Unlock method: Press and hold the key for more than 5 seconds, and release.		

Instructions for panel key indicator

ON/OFF key: The indicator will be lit after you turn on the channel.

Volt/CV key: The indicator will be lit when the channel is in Constant Voltage output mode.

Curr/CC key: The indicator will be lit when the channel is in Constant Current output mode.

3.1.2 Rear Panel



Figure 3-2 Rear panel overview

1	Local Area Network (LAN) Connector	The power supply can be connected to the network for remote control via this connector.	
2	USB Device Connector	Connect as a "slave device" with an external USB device, such as connect the instrument to a PC.	
3	COM Connector	Connect the power supply with external equipment as serial port.	
4	Power socket	AC input connector	
⑤	Fuse	Line fuse	
6	Fan	Fan inlet	

3.1.3 User Interface

When the output mode is in independent output, or channel tracking mode, there are two display modes: All channel mode (CH1 & CH2 & CH3), Dual channel mode (CH1 & CH2). Press the Mode panel key to switch between the modes.

All Channel Mode

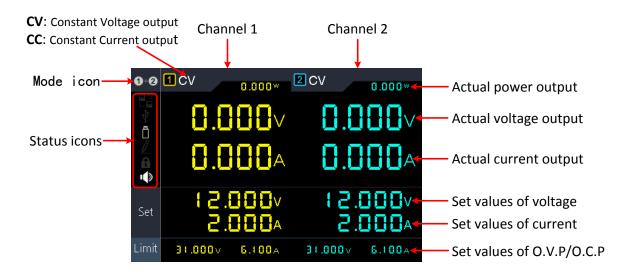


Figure 3-3 User interface in All channel mode

Dual Channel Mode

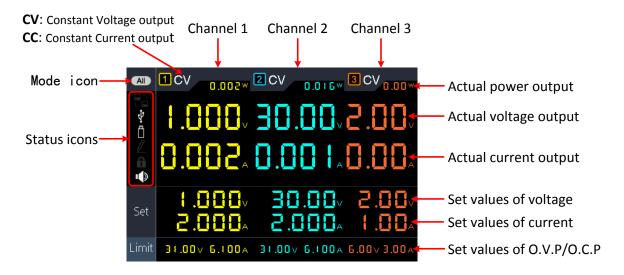


Figure 3-4 User interface in Dual channel mode

Mode Icons

Icons	Instruction	
All	All mode, display CH1, CH2 and CH3	
0 +2	Dual channel mode, display CH1 & CH2	
The output mode is parallel tracking		
1 0 ± 0 2 0 ± 0	The output mode is series tracking	

Status Icons

Icons	Instruction		
: :	Connected to the network via LAN connector		
Ψ	Connected as a slave device with PC		
	A USB device is connected		
	Recording the current output		
£	The panel keys are locked		
	The beeper is turned on		

3.2 General Inspection

When you receive your new power supply, it is recommended that you check the instrument following these steps:

1. Check for transportation damage.

If it is found that the packaging carton or the foamed plastic protection cushion has suffered serious damage, do not throw it away until the complete device and its accessories have been electrically and mechanically checked.

2. Check the Accessories

The supplied accessories are described in the "Appendix A: " of this Manual. Please ensure that all the listed accessories are present and undamaged, if any problems are found please contact your distributor or OWON's local office.

3. Check the Complete Instrument

If there is any physical damage, operational fault, or performance issue please contact your distributor or OWON's local office. If there is any transportation damage to the instrument please ensure you keep the original packaging. Ideally you should always keep the original packaging if the instrument must be returned for repair.

3.3 Power-On Check

(1) Connect the instrument to the AC supply using the supplied power cord.



Warning:

To avoid electric shock, the instrument must be grounded properly.

(2) Push the **power button** on the front panel, the keys will light and the screen will show the boot screen.

3.4 Output Inspection

Output inspection is to ensure that the instrument can achieve its rated outputs and properly respond to operation from the front panel. For the procedures below, it is suggested that you read "Turn On/Off the Channel Output" on page 9 and "Set the Output Voltage/Current" on page 9.

3.4.1 Voltage Output Inspection

The following steps verify basic voltage functions without load:

- (1) When the instrument is under no load, select a channel and ensure the output current setting for this channel is not at zero.
- (2) Turn on the channel output, then ensure the channel is in Constant Voltage output mode.
- (3) Set some different voltage values on this channel; check if the actual voltage value displayed is close to the set voltage value, and also that the actual current value displayed is nearly to zero.
- (4) Check that if the output voltage can be adjusted from zero to the maximum rating.

3.4.2 Current Output Inspection

The following steps check basic current functions with a short across the power supply's output:

- (1) Connect a short across (+) and (-) output terminals with an insulated test lead on this channel. Use a wire size sufficient to handle the maximum current.
- (2) Set the output voltage to the maximum rating on this channel.
- (3) Turn on the channel output. Ensure the channel you used is in Constant Current output mode.
- (4) Set some different current values on this channel; check if the actual current value displayed is close to the set current value, and to check if the actual voltage value displayed is nearly zero.
- (5) Check that if the output current can be adjusted from zero to the maximum rating.
- (6) Turn off the channel output and remove the short circuit from the output terminals.

4. Front Panel Operation

4.1 Turn On/Off the Channel Output

Press the **orange ON/OFF** key to turn on/off the Channel 1 output.

Press the **blue ON/OFF** key to turn on/off the Channel 2 output.

Press the **ON/OFF CH3** key to turn on/off the Channel 3 output.

4.2 Set the Output Voltage/Current

4.2.1 Set the Output Voltage

Set the output voltage of CH1

Press the **orange Volt/CV** key, the first digit of the CH1 set voltage is flashing, indicating the value is editable. There are two methods to change the value.

Modify: Turn the **knob** to change the value. Press the \leq / \geq key to move the cursor. Press the **knob** or the key to confirm.

Input: Use the **numeric keys** to input, the input box of **Channel 1** output voltage will pop up. Enter a desired value. Press the key to confirm.

Set the output voltage of CH2

Press the **blue Volt/CV** key to enter edit mode. You can set the value in the same way as CH1 above.

Set the output voltage of CH3

Press the **Volt CH3** key to enter edit mode. You can set the value in the same way as CH1 above.

4.2.2 Set the Output Current

Set the output current of CH1

Press the **orange Curr/CC** key, the first digit of the CH1 set current is flashing, indicating the value is editable. There are two methods to change the value.

Modify: Turn the **knob** to change the value. Press the \bigcirc / \bigcirc key to move the cursor. Press the **knob** or the \bigcirc key to confirm.

Input: Use the **numeric keys** to input, the input box of **Channel 1** output current will pop up. Enter a desired value. Press the key to confirm.

Set the output current of CH2

Press the **blue Curr/CC** key to enter edit mode. You can set the value in the same way as CH1 above.

Set the output current of CH3

Press the **Curr CH3** key to enter edit mode. You can set the value in the same way as CH1 above.

Note: If the input value is out of the rated range, the box prompts "ERROR"; you need to input another value within the rated range.

4.3 Over Voltage/Current Protection

When the Over Voltage Protection (O.V.P) or Over Current Protection (O.C.P) is enabled, once the output voltage/current reaches the set value of O.V.P/O.C.P, the instrument will cut off the output, a warning will show on the screen.

Note:

When the instrument disables the output due to protection, after you make some adjustments, the channel must be restarted to output normally.

This function can keep the power output from exceeding the load rating to protect the load.

4.3.1 Set O.V.P

Set the O.V.P of CH1

Press the **orange Volt/CV** key, the first digit of the CH1 set voltage is flashing. Press the **vey**, the first digit of the CH1 O.V.P is flashing, indicating the value is editable. There are two methods to change the value.

Modify: Turn the **knob** to change the value. Press the $\boxed{\ }$ / $\boxed{\ }$ key to move the cursor. Press the **knob** or the $\boxed{\ }$ key to confirm.

Input: Use the **numeric keys** to input, the input box of **Channel 1** limit voltage will pop up. Enter a desired value. Press the key to confirm.

Set the O.V.P of CH2

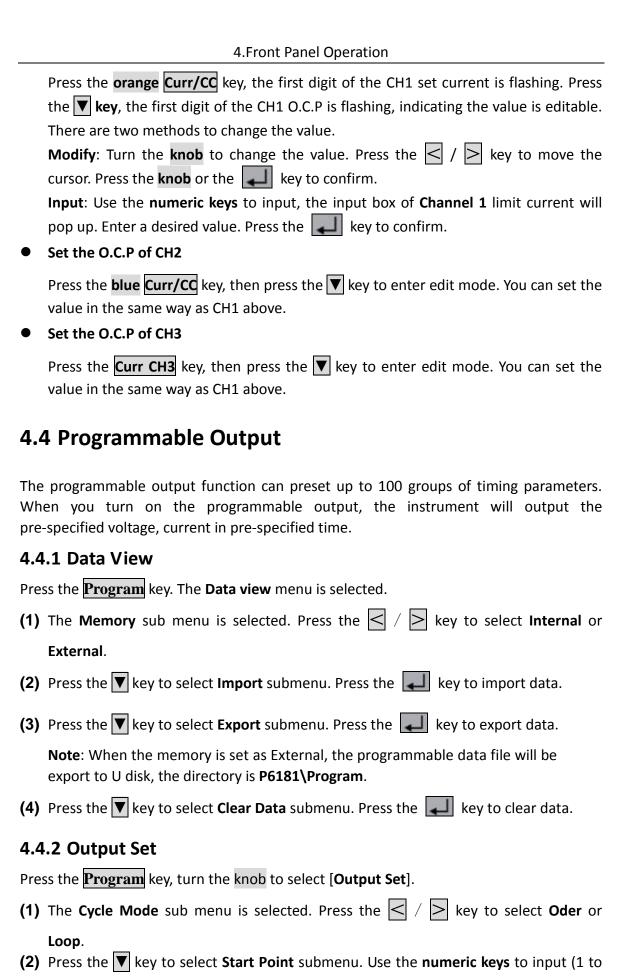
Press the **blue Volt/CV** key, then press the **value** in the same way as CH1 above.

Set the O.V.P of CH3

Press the **Volt CH3** key, then press the **Volt CH3** key, then press the **value** in the same way as CH1 above.

4.3.2 Set O.C.P

Set the O.C.P of CH1



100), press the key to confirm.

- (3) Press the ▼ key to select **Stop Point** submenu. Use the **numeric keys** to input (1 to 100), press the ♣ key to confirm.
- (4) Press the ▼ key to select **Start** submenu. Press the < / > key to select the channel (CH1, CH2 or ALL), press the key to enter the data processing interface and output the selected channel.

4.4.3 Data process

You can set the programmable parameters of CH1 and CH2, including voltage, current and output time. This function allows up to 100 parameter groups of each channel.

Press the **Program** key, turn the knob to select [**Data process**].

Edit:

- (1) The **Edit** sub menu is selected. The operation instruction shows on the screen. Press the key to enter the data processing interface.
- (2) In the data processing interface, Press the ∠ / ≥ key to move the cursor left and right. Press the ▲ / ▼ key to move the cursor up and down. Turn the knob to move the cursor between CH1 and CH2. Use the After selecting the parameter, use the numeric keys to enter a desired value, press the ▶ key to confirm.



Figure 4-1 Data processing Interface

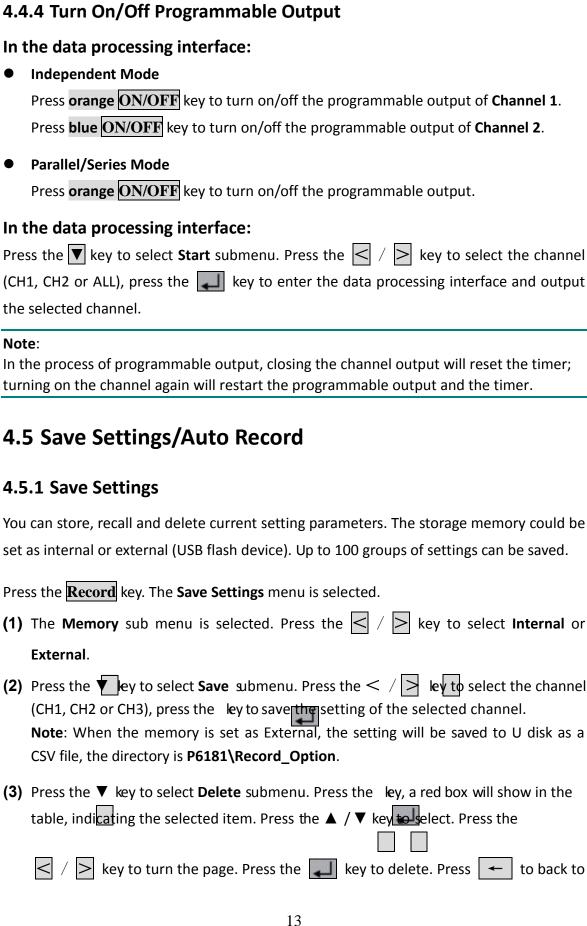
(3) Press to back to sub menu selection.

Graph process is used to configure the graphical display in the Data processing interface.

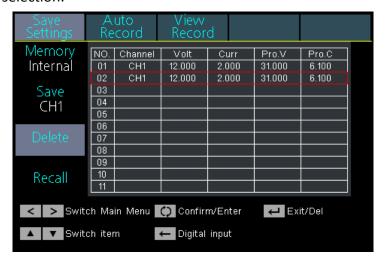
- (2) In the Graph processing interface, Press the ∠ / ≥ key to move the cursor left and right. Press the ▲ / ▼ key to move the cursor up and down. Press the key to check or uncheck the item. If the item is checked, the corresponding line will be

displayed in the chart in the data processing interface.

(3) Press ← to back to sub menu selection.



sub menu selection.



(4) Press the ▼ key to select Recall submenu. Press the ♣ key, a red box will show in the table, indicating the selected item. Press the ♠ / ▼ key to select. Press the ← key to turn the page. Press the ♣ key to recall. Press ← to back to sub menu selection.

4.5.2 Auto Record

Press the **Record** key, turn the knob to select [Auto Record].

- (1) The Memory sub menu is selected. Press the < / > key to select Internal or External.
- (2) Press the ▼ key to select Interval submenu. Use the numeric keys to set the record interval, press the key to confirm.
- (3) Press the ▼ key to select Points submenu. Use the numeric keys to set the points, press the ↓ key to confirm.
- (4) Press the ▼ key to select Record Status submenu. Press the < / > key to select the channel (CH1, CH2 or CH3), press the ↓ key to start recording the output of the selected channel. Press the ↓ key again to stop recording. During recording, the icon will be lighted on the status bar.

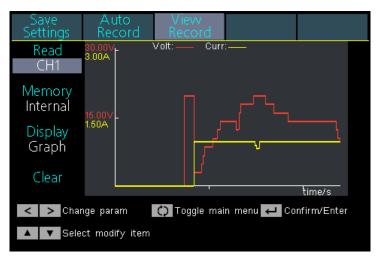
Note: When the memory is set as External, the record file will be saved to U disk as a CSV file, the directory is **ODP3XXX\Record Auto** (ODP3XXX is the model).

4.5.3 View Record

Press the **Record** key, turn the knob to select [View Record].

- (1) Press the ▼ key to select **Memory** submenu. Press the < / > key to select **Internal** or **External**.
- (2) When the Memory is set as Internal, press the key to select Read submenu. Press

(3) Press the ▼ key to select **Display** submenu. Press the < / > key to select **Graph** or **Table**.



Graph display mode

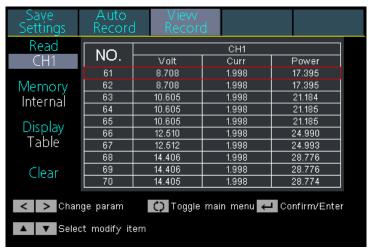


Table display mode

(4) Press the ▼ key to select Clear submenu. Press the key to clear the recording file.

4.6 Output mode

Output mode can simplify the parameter inputting of CH1 and CH2. Output mode setting

is only for CH1 and CH2, without affecting CH3. There are four output modes:

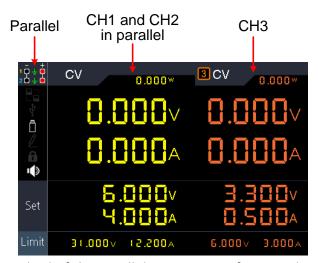
• Independent Output

The parameter of each channel can be set independently.

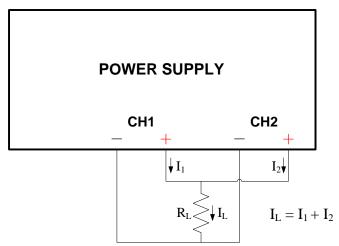
Parallel track

When CH1 and CH2 are connected in parallel, you can select this mode to simplify the parameter inputting. You just need to set the parameters of the combined channel. The voltage rating is same as the single channel; the current rating is the sum of CH1 and CH2 current rating.

Press the **orange ON/OFF** key to turn on/off the combined channel.



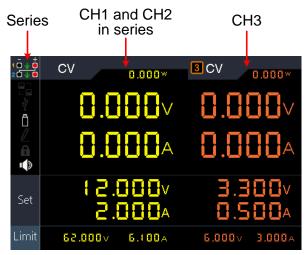
The connection method of the parallel connection of CH1 and CH2 is as shown in the figure below.



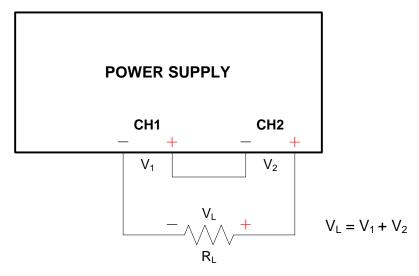
Series track

When CH1 and CH2 are connected in series, you can select this mode to simplify the parameter inputting. You just need to set the parameters of the combined channel. The voltage rating is the sum of CH1 and CH2 voltage rating; the current rating is same as the single channel.

Press the **orange ON/OFF** key to turn on/off the combined channel.



The connection method of the series connection of CH1 and CH2 is as shown in the figure below.



Channel track

In independent output mode, set the output parameters of CH1 and CH2, and then enter the channel track mode, if the parameters of any one channel are changed, the other channel will change proportionally.

For example, in independent output mode, set the CH1 voltage to 2V, current to 1A; set the CH2 voltage to 4V, current to 2A. After entering channel track mode, if CH1 voltage is set to 6V, CH2 voltage will be adjusted to 12V proportionally. If CH1 current is set to 2A, CH2 current will be adjusted to 4A proportionally.

Note: If the setting value is out of the rated range, it will be set to the maximum.

To set the output mode:

- (1) Press the **Utility** key. The **Output mode** menu is selected.
- (2) Press the ▲ / ▼ key to select the output mode. Press the ↓ key to check and enter the selected mode.

4.7 Utility Settings

4.7.1 Language

Press the **Utility** key, turn the knob to select [**Utility**]. The **Language** sub menu is selected. Press the $\boxed{\ }$ / $\boxed{\ }$ key to choose the desired language. The supported languages include: Chinese, English and so on.

4.7.2 Brightness

Press the **Utility** key, turn the knob to select [**Utility**]. Press the **▼** key to select **Brightness** submenu. Press the **<** / **>** key to adjust the screen brightness. The brightness can be set to 0%, 25%, 50%, 75%, 100%.

4.7.3 Beeper

Press the **Utility** key, turn the **knob** to select **[Utility]**. Press the **v** key to select **Beeper** submenu. Press the **v** key to turn on/off the beeper. When the beeper is on, the icon **v** will be lighted on the status bar. When the system prompts the instrument will make a buzzing sound, e.g. cutting off the output due to O.V.P/O.C.P.

4.7.4 Clock

Press the **Utility** key, turn the knob to select **[Utility]**. Press the **V** key to select **Clock** submenu. Use the **numeric keys** to input, press the **A** key to confirm. Press the **A** key to move the cursor.

4.8 System Info

4.8.1 View System Information

Press the **Utility** key, turn the knob to select [**Info**]. The **Info** sub menu is selected. You can view the version, serial number, and checksum.

4.8.2 Set as Default

Press the **Utility** key, turn the knob to select [**Info**]. Press the **▼** key to select **Default** submenu. Press the **↓** key to use the factory defaults, see table below.

	Output	VOLT	CURR
	CH1		
Output	CH2	12.00V	2.000A
settings	CH3		
	Parallel	12.000V	6.000A
	Series	36.000V	2.000A

	Output	VOLT	CURR	
Limit	CH1			
	CH2	MAXOUT+1V	MAXOUT+0.1A	
settings	CH3			
	Parallel	MAXOUT+1V	2*(MAXOUT+0.1A)	
	Series	2*(MAXOUT+1V)	MAXOUT+0.1A	

	Output mode		Indep	endent mode
	Brightness			50%
	Beeper		On	
			Baud	115200
Utility Port		Serial	Data Bits	8
			Odd-Even	None
	Dort		Stop Bits	1
	Port	LAN Set	IP	192.168.001.099
			Subnet Mask	255.255.255.000
			Gateway	192.168.001.001
			Port	3000

	Save	Memory	Internal
	Settings	Save	CH1
	Record Record View Record	Memory	Internal
		Interval	1
Docord		Points	1000
Record		Record	CH1
		Status	CHI
		Read	CH1
		Memory	Internal
		Display	Graph

	Data view	Memory	Internal
Program Output Set Data	Cycle Mode	Order	
	Output Set	Start Point	1
		Stop Point	100
	Graph	CETS DE AD/CHA.VOLT CURR.CHA.VOLT CURR.	
	process	process	SET&READ(CH1:VOLT,CURR;CH2:VOLT,CURR)

4.8.3 Update

Press the **Utility** key, turn the knob to select [**Info**]. Press the **▼** key to select **Update** submenu. Press the **↓** key to update firmware.

4.9 Port Settings

4.9.1 Serial port

Press the **Utility** key, turn the knob to select [**Port Set**]. The **Serial** sub menu is selected.

- (1) Press the key to enter sub menu. The **Baud** is selected. Press the \leq / \geq key to select the desired baud rate from 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600 or 115200. The default is 115200. Make sure that the baud rate matches that of the computer.
- (2) Press the ▼ key to select Data Bits. Press the < / > key to select 6, 7, or 8.
- (3) Press the ▼ key to select **Odd-Even**. Press the < / > key to select None, Odd, or Even.
- (4) Press the ▼ key to select **Stop Bits**. Press the < / > key to 1 or 2. Press ← to back to sub menu selection.

4.9.2 LAN Set

Press the $\boxed{\textbf{Utility}}$ key, turn the knob to select [**Port Set**]. Press the $\boxed{\blacktriangledown}$ key to select **Lan Set** submenu.

- (1) Press the key to enter edit mode. Set the IP address, subnet mask, gateway, and port. Use the **numeric keys** to input, press the key to confirm. Press the key to move the cursor up and down. Press to back to sub menu selection.
- (2) Restart the instrument for the parameter changes to take effect.

4.9.3 LCD Test

The instrument has a screen self test function, which can test the LCD screen.

Press the Utility key, turn the knob to select [Port Set]. Press the key to select Lcd Test submenu.

- (1) Press the key to enter the screen test interface.
- (2) Press the key to switch the color between red, green, and blue. Observe if the screen has severe color shift, spot, scuffing, or other defect.
- (3) Press the key to exit the test.

4.9.4 Key Test

The instrument provides the key self testing, which can test the keys on the front panel. Press the **Utility** key, turn the knob to select [**Port Set**]. Press the **V** key to select **Key Test** submenu.

- (1) Press the key to enter the key test interface.
- (2) Each shape on the test interface represents a front panel key. Press any front panel key, the corresponding shape on the test interface will turn green.
- (3) Press the key to exit the test.

5. Troubleshooting

1. The instrument is powered on but no Display.

- Check if the power is connected properly.
- Check if the fuse which is below the AC Power socket is used appropriately and in good condition (the cover can be pried open with a straight screwdriver).
- Restart the instrument after the steps above.
- If the problem still exists, please contact PeakTech for our service.

2. The output is abnormal:

- Check if the output voltage is set to OV. If so, set it to other value.
- Check if the output current is set to 0A. If so, set it to other value.
- When in programmable output status, check if there is any voltage/current value is set to 0. If so, set it to other value.
- If the problem still exists, please contact Peaktech for our service.

3. Cannot identify the USB device correctly:

- Check if the USB device is in good condition.
- Check if the used USB device is a flash device, note a hard disk cannot be supported.
- Restart the instrument and insert your USB flash device again.
- If the problem still exists, please contact **PeakTech** for our service.

4. Appendix

6.1 Appendix A: Packaging

(The accessories subject to final delivery.)

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Stand	ISPA A	ccesso	riac.
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Power Cord

CD Rom

USB Cable

Fuse

Options:



Banana plug to crocodile clip test leads

6.2 Appendix B: General Care and Cleaning

General Care

Do not store or leave the instrument where the liquid crystal display could be exposed to direct sunlight for long periods of time.

Caution: To avoid any damage to the instrument, do not exposed it to any sprays, liquids, or solvents.

Cleaning

Inspect the instrument as often as operating conditions require.

To clean the instrument exterior, perform the following steps:

- 1. Wipe the dust from the instrument surface with a soft cloth. Take care not to scratch the transparent LCD protection screen when cleaning.
- 2. Disconnect power before cleaning your instrument. Clean the instrument with a damp soft cloth (not dripping with water). It is recommended to clean with soft detergent or fresh water. To avoid damage to the instrument, do not use any corrosive chemical cleaning agents.



Warning: Before re applying power, ensure that the instrument is completely dry, avoiding any electric shock or electrical short circuit resulting from moisture.