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1 Description

Provides an access to Keysight IVI devices via VISA.NET library.

Requires the **Keysight IO Suite** libraries version to be installed on the system. Download from Keysight's <u>website</u>.

Plugin version	IO Suite version
2.1.x	16.x
2.2.x	17.3.21412.2
	(recommended, minimum required)

This plug-in is the successor of Agilent IO plugin. The major change is that Keysight plugin does not require the configuration - it automatically detects devices, configured by Keysight IO Suite. The Keysight plugin is command-compatible with Agilent IO plugin.



2 Commands

2.1 *idn? (Identification)

*idn?

Gets the plug-in identification string.

Parameters

No parameters.

Return value

The identification string in standard format "<company>, product/name>, <serial-no>, <version>".

2.2 params (Set parameters)

params: { Timeout=[int] } { ; ReadError=[bool] } { ; DotReplace=[bool] }

Sets default parameters of communication

Parameters

Timeout	[int]	IO communication timeout in range 10 to 60000 [ms]. Default: 5000
ReadError	[bool]	Automatically perform a SYST:ERR? command on non-query commands and return this message as command result, otherwise non-query command are only sent with "SENT" answer. Default: true
DotReplace	[bool]	Automatically replace dot for comma in SCPI answer. Default: true

Return value

No return value

Examples

```
params: timeout=8000: dotreplace=yes
```

Set communication timeout to 8 seconds a automatically replace dot by comma.

2.3 scpi (SCPI command)

```
scpi: \langle cmd_0 \rangle \{: \langle cmd_1 \rangle : ... : \langle cmd_n \rangle \} \{: timeout=[int] \}
```

Open connection to the camera using specified or default user-name and password.

Parameters

cmd_N	[string]	SCPI command
timeout	[int]	IO timeout for this sequence of SCPI commands [ms]
		Default: Timeout value set by "params" command

Return value

If a query command is passed then a command specific answer is returned - refer a manual to your device. In the case that a non-query command is passed, the result depending on AutoNonQueryErr is set or not - when set a result of SYST:ERR? query is returned (when no error, result = "OK"). Otherwise only "SENT" is returned.

Examples

```
scpi: "*idn?"
```

This is a query command. The device identification should be returned, for example HEWLETT-PACKARD, 4263B, MY40108084, 01. 06.

```
scpi: "*cls"
```

This is a non-eury command. If <code>AutoNonQueryErr</code> is set to true then result should be "OK" if command is proceeded ok. If set to false, then only "SENT" is returned.

```
scpi:"invalid"
```

This is an example of invalid command. If AutoNonQueryErr is set to true then result will be for example -113, "Undefined header" (readed by SYST:ERR? command). If set to false, then only "SENT" is returned.

: <cmd>

Short, pass-through version of "scpi" command above. Starting the command by a color ":" only will pass the following string like a SCPI command directly to the device a returns the answer - according to query/non-query and ReadError option.

Parameters

cmd [string] SCPI command

Return value

Same like for non-short "scpi" command.

Examples

```
: *idn?
```

Query command, returns for example HEWLETT-PACKARD, 4263B, MY40108084, 01.06.

```
*cls
```

Non-query command, return value depends on ReadError option.

```
: meas: res? 100k
```

Resistance measurement with fixed range of 100k-ohms example. Requires a corresponding compatible devices (such as 34411, 34450, ... multimeters). Returns a value of resistance in format, specified in the device's SCPI reference guide.

2.4 dmm (Special multimeter commands)

```
dmm: lfreq:...
dmm: lfreq-duty: tresh=[float]{: timeout=[int]}
```

Software solution to measure frequency and duty-cycle of **low frequency** signal by repeating multimeter's single measurements (typically reading of voltage). Internally - the "read?" command is performed by measurement. Before run the command, it is necessary **to configure the target DMM** properly (for example to measure voltage with fixed range...).

```
Example command to configure the target DMM (Agilent/Keysight 34450A): conf: volt: dc 10, 3.0e-5 (voltage, DC, 10V range, "F"ast - see the SCPI programmer's guide of 34450A for details)
```

When measurement is started, the commands repeating the "read?" command and applying the treshold **until 2 rising edges are detected**.

Measurement resolution is about 0,05 Hz (tested with 34450A DMM).

Parameters

tresh	[float]	Treshold of input signal.
		Below or equal to the treshold value, the signal is accepted like
		logical 0, otherwise logical 1.
timeout	[int]	Time to wait for 2 rising edges [ms].
		Default: 5000

Return value

- When 2 rising edges are not detected until timeout, the command returns "RANGE"
- Frequency in [Hz] in "0.00" format when "lfreq" command or duty-cycle (0 to 100 [%]) when " lfreq-duty" command

Examples

```
dmm: lfreq: tresh=2.5: timeout=3000
```

Measure the signal with treshold of 2,5 (below or equals to 2,5 => log. 0, above 2,5 => log. 1). Waits for 3 seconds to detect 2 rising edges. Returns value in hundreths of Hz, for example "2. 45" (resolution 0,05).

2.5 open|close (Open/close device)

open close

[obsolete]

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Does nothing.

Implemented only to ensure compatibility with previous Agilent IO plugin. All devices are automatically opened during detection at start-up and closed while shut-down the plugin.

Parameters

No parameters.

Return value

No return value