

2400 Series C32 Firmware Release Notes

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General Information

Supported Models

This firmware is used on the following Keithley products: 2400, 2410, 2420, 2430, 2425, 2440, and all "-C" versions.

Because this firmware is used on multiple models, this version of firmware may be available for use on one or more models while still being ungualified for use on the others. Please refer to the upgrade considerations section below for the product of interest for more details.

Installation Instructions

You can obtain the Keithley Flash Wizard32 from either the Keithley web site (http://www.keithley.com/support) or by contacting Keithley Instruments Application support.

C32 Release

Overview

Critical fixes

PR42558

Models affected: 2400, 2410, 2420, 2425, 2430, 2440, and all "C" versions

Symptom:

Units may report "over-temperature" when they are not overheating.

Resolution:

The issue has been resolved

C31 Release

Overview

Critical fixes

PR31544 Models affected: 2400, 2410, 2420, 2425, 2430, 2440 and all "C" versions

Symptom:

Unit may stop responding if output on/off is pressed when in an infinite sweep with the display turned off.

Resolution:

The issue has been resolved.

Models affected: 2400, 2410, 2420, 2425, 2430, 2440, and all "C" versions PR40971

Symptom:

Unit may give "Too small for sense range" when setting current compliance with compliance range sync turned on.

Resolution:

The issue has been resolved

Non-critical fixes

PR30035 Models affected: 2400, 2410, 2420, 2425, 2430, 2440 and all "C" versions

Symptom:

Unit may occasionally display "Not a Num" for a reading if offset-compensated ohms is used and leads are not connected.

Resolution:

The issue has been resolved.

C30 Release

Overview

No hardware modifications or recalibration issues are required.

Upgrade Considerations for Models 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440

Installation Instructions

After obtaining the Flash program and the Firmware file, unzip the files in a folder of your choice and run the "setup.exe" program. Follow the instructions to install the program. When the installation is complete, launch the program from your Windows Start menu under Programs/Keithley Instruments. The Application support staff will also provide the file for the latest firmware revision. Put that file in a folder where you can find it and then run the Flash Wizard32 program. The program will autodetect the instrument and request you to specify the firmware file.

It is recommended to put the instrument on a UPS to avoid possibility of the instrument losing power during the upgrade process,

Either GPIB or RS-232 communications can be used to perform the upgrade. GPIB will be significantly faster. The upgrade only takes several minutes using the GPIB.

Contact the Keithley Applications team if you have any questions or concerns about upgrading.

Critical Fixes

PR28880 Models Affected:2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440

Symptom:

When the OVP is flickering on the display, the unit "Locks up" or times out on the GPIB. OVP can be caused by electrically noisy environments.

Resolution:

Unit will no longer lock up the GPIB or the instrument.

PR24684 Models Affected:2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions

Symptom:

When using the Offset Compensation ohms math function, displays "Not a Num"

Resolution:

This issue is resolved.

Enhancements

There are no Enhancements with this release

Non-critical Fixes

PR25266 Models Affected: 2420,2425,2430,2440

Symptom:

Autorange in current mode only does not downrange when appropriate.

Resolution:

This issue is resolved.

C29 Release

Overview

C29 was not released.

C28 Release

Overview

C28 was only released for Model 2420 to implement corrections for internal manufacturing issues. No hardware modifications or recalibration issues are required.

C27 Release

Overview

No hardware modifications or recalibration issues are required.

Critical Fixes

PR22327 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions Symptom: If using the *SRE register, the MAV bit is reported incorrectly in the RS-232 communication. This will lead to the SRQ not generated.

Resolution:

This issue is resolved

PR23912 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430 and all "C" versions

Symptom:

In the 488.1 mode, the unit can lock up the bus if using external trigger and addressed to talk. If the trigger hasn't occurred, the unit will time out. The BUS will not respond again until the unit is power recycled.

Resolution:

This issue is corrected.

Enhancements

There are no Enhancements with this release

Non-Critical Fixes

PR23012 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions

Symptom:

From front panel operation only: the Current source delay is limited to changes in the 100uS resolution, whereas the voltage source delay can be changed within 10uS. Both delays should be configurable to within 10uS resolution.

Resolution:

This issue is corrected.

PR23886 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions

Symptom:

Transients occur between steps in the custom sweep when the instrument switches configuration from a voltage source to a current source.

Resolution:

This issue is corrected.

Models Affected: 2430,2430-C

Symptom:

The Source Output trigger could have delay (<1mS) between the output trigger and the pulse.

Resolution:

The Source output trigger now occurs at the same time as the pulse output.

Models Affected: 2430-C

Symptom:

Unit locks up when the contact check reports a failure in the pulse mode with auto source auto clear enabled. Requires a power recycle.

Resolution:

This issue is corrected.

C26 Release

Overview

No hardware modifications or recalibration issues are required.

Critical Fixes

PR20014 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions

Symptom:

While Compliance Range Sync feature is enabled, incorrect current measurement are possible, the value may be off by orders of magnitude.

For example, the displayed reading is 100.05 mA instead of the expected 100uA.

Resolution:

This was introduced in C24 when the Compliance Range Sync feature was introduced. This issue is corrected.

PR20130 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions

Symptom:

Range hold delay feature causes incorrect output voltages when the voltage source range is increased. For example, when increasing the instrument's output from 0 volts (200mV range) to 7 volts (10 volt range), the output is at 0.2volts instead of 7.

Resolution:

This issue is corrected.

Enhancements

PR21121 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions

Enhancement:

Simplified front panel bi-polar sweep capability for Log and Stair sweeps. Did not have the ability to change polarity without the use of the sign key. C26 changed the configuration sweep menus to allow editing the sign of the values without having to use the sign key.

Custom sweep not affected by enhancement. Still requires the use of the sign key.

PR19965 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions

Enhancement:

Add ability to have the current measure range temporarily go to the compliance during a source memory sweep.

It is desired to have the current measure range go to the compliance range temporarily during a source memory sweep, then go to the desired measure range. This is so any current transients due to cable capacitance can go away quickly at the higher compliance range, but then be able to take a reading on the lower measure range. Otherwise, need to requires a long delay before a reading or a higher measure range.

PR19966 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions

Enhancement:

Add ability to do source memory branching on both pass and fail.

It is desired to have the ability to do source memory branching on both passing and failing limits. Previous to C26, it was only possible to do one or the other when evaluating limits.

PR21051 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,243,2440 and all "C" versions

Enhancement:

In keeping with the new nomenclature for the output enable (previously referred to as the INTERLOCK), the following commands were added.

:OUTPut[1]:ENABle[:STATe] ON|OFF and :OUTP1:ENABle:TRIPped

PR21206 Models Affected: 2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions

Enhancement:

Model 6430 code is removed from the 2400 series code to become it's own code base.

Non-Critical Fixes

PR22599 Models Affected:2400,2410,2420,2425,2430,2440 and all "C" versions

Symptom:

Binary data transfer delivers sometimes more data than expected

Resolution:

This issue is corrected.