

# GM82009 Tunable Laser Source

## Programming Guide



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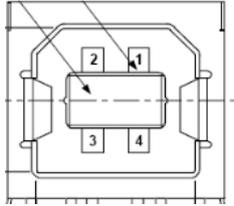
  

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# Communication Port

## USB Port

Standard four-core B type USB port.



Communication setting:

1 Start bit, 8 Data bit, 1 Stop bit, No parity checking.      Baud rate: 115200 bps.

## Syntax

### Commands Format

The following symbols describe the syntax of commands in the following chapters.

The command is case-insensitive and can be written in upper case or in lower case or in both upper and lower case.

*Example*      The command  
                   *READ1 : POW ?*  
                   can also be written in lower case as  
                   *read1 : pow ?*  
                   or it can be written as  
                   *Read1 : Pow ?*

Put a colon (:) before a component to indicate a move to the next level of the combination.

*Example*      SENS1 : POW : WAVELENGTH ?

A command message is ended by a carriage return and a line feed character (\CR\LF).

The response format specifies what the instrument returns in response to a query. All responses are terminated with '\CR\LF>'.  
 For the query command, if normal, the instrument returns response value with a '>', if an error occurs, then returns '>'.

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For the written command, if normal, the instrument returns 'Ok! >'. If an error occurs, then returns '>'.

<...>        The characters between angled brackets show the kind of data that you require, or that you get in a response. You don't type the angled brackets in the actual message.

[...]        The characters between square brackets show optional information that you can include with the message.

/            The oblique line shows an either-or choice of data, for example, a/b means either a or b, but not both simultaneously.

All characters not between angled brackets are terminal symbols and must be sent exactly as shown. Items between angled brackets are not-terminal symbols, descriptions of these items follow the syntax description.

Spaces are ignored, they can be inserted to improve readability.

# Command List

## Common command

| Command | Function             |
|---------|----------------------|
| *IDN?   | Identification query |

\*IDN?

This command queries the instrument identification over the interface.

Syntax \*IDN?

Response GM82009C, serial number:GG032713001, VER:V2.11

GM82009C: instrument model

GG032713001: serial number of this instrument

V2.11: firmware revision level

Definition The \*IDN? query returns the manufacturer, model, serial number, hardware revision of the instrument.

## Source commands

| Command               | Parameter | Description  |
|-----------------------|-----------|--|
| <b>SOURCE</b>         |           |  |
| :STATE ?              |           | This command queries the On/Off state of the laser source output signal. ON or 1 enables the source. OFF or 0 disables the source. |
| :STATE                | <Boolean> | This command sets the state of the source output signal. ON or 1 enables the source. OFF or 0 disables the source.                 |
| :FREQUENCY ?          |           | This command queries the frequency setting for the source module output.   |
| :FREQUENCY            | <Value>   | This command sets the frequency value for the source module.   |
| :FREQUENCY ? MAX /MIN |           | This command queries the range setting of frequency for the source module.   |
| :FREQUENCY            | MAX /MIN  | This command sets the current frequency for source module as the maximum or minimum of frequency.                                  |
| :WAVELENGTH ?         |           | This command queries the wavelength setting for the source module output.  |
| :WAVELENGTH           | <Value>   | This command sets the wavelength value for the source module.  |
| :WAVELENGTH ? MAX/MIN |           | This command queries the range setting of wavelength for the source module.  |
| :WAVELENGTH           | MAX/MIN   | This command sets the current wavelength for source module as the maximum or minimum of wavelength.                                |
| :POWER ?              |           | This command queries the power setting for source module.  |
| :POWER                |           |  |

:UNIT ?                      This command queries the power unit. The power unit is either dBm or mW.

:UNIT      <W/DBM>              This command sets the unit of power in use. This can be dBm or mW.

#### For Example:

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|----------|--------------------------|--|
| Command  | SOURCE: STATE?           | Query the On/Off state of the laser source output signal. ON or 1 enables the source. OFF or 0 disables the source.                        |
| Response | OFF<br>>                 |  |
| Command  | SOURCE: STATE 1          | Set the state of the source output signal. ON or 1 enables the source.   |
| Response | >                        |  |
| Command  | SOURCE: STATE 0          | Set the state of the source output signal. OFF or 0 disables the source.   |
| Response | >                        |  |
| Command  | SOURCE: FREQUENCY?       | Query the frequency setting for the source module output. No unit is attached with the returned value, the GHz is used to as the default.  |
| Response | 196100<br>>              |  |
| Command  | SOURCE: FREQUENCY 196500 | Set the frequency value for the source module. The command don't specify the units, the GHz is used to as the default.                     |
| Response | >                        |  |
| Command  | SOURCE: FREQUENCY? MAX   | Query the frequency setting maximum for the source module. No unit is attached with the returned value, the GHz is used to as the default. |
| Response | 196585<br>>              |  |
| Command  | SOURCE: FREQUENCY MAX    | Set the maximum of frequency as the current frequency for source module.   |
| Response | >                        |  |
| Command  | SOURCE: FREQUENCY? MIN   | Query the frequency setting minimum for the source module. No unit is attached with the returned value, the GHz is used to as the default. |
| Response | 196585<br>>              |  |

|                     |                                      |  |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Command<br>Response | SOURCE: FREQUENCY MIN<br>>           | Set the minimum of frequency as the current frequency for source module.   |
| Command<br>Response | SOURCE: WAVELENGTH?<br>1525<br>>     | Query the wavelength setting for the source module output. No unit is attached with the returned value, the nm is used to as the default.  |
| Command<br>Response | SOURCE: WAVELENGTH 1525<br>>         | Set the wavelength value for the source module. The command don't specify the units, the nm is used to as the default.                     |
| Command<br>Response | SOURCE: WAVELENGTH? MAX<br>1565<br>> | Query the wavelength setting maximum for the source module. No unit is attached with the returned value, the nm is used to as the default. |
| Command<br>Response | SOURCE: WAVELENGTH MAX<br>>          | Set the maximum of wavelength as the current wavelength for source module.   |
| Command<br>Response | SOURCE: WAVELENGTH? MIN<br>1510<br>> | Query the wavelength setting minimum for the source module. No unit is attached with the returned value, the nm is used to as the default. |
| Command<br>Response | SOURCE: WAVELENGTH MIN<br>>          | Set the minimum of wavelength as the current wavelength for source module.   |
| Command<br>Response | SOURCE: POWER?<br>13<br>>            | Query the power setting for source module. The power unit is decided by the command 'SOURCE: POWER:UNIT'.                                  |
| Command<br>Response | SOURCE: POWER:UNIT?<br>>             | Query the power unit for source module. The power unit is either dBm or mW.  |
| Command<br>Response | SOURCE: POWER:UNIT dBm<br>>          | Set the unit of power in use. This can be dBm or mW.   |

## Sweep Commands

| Command             | Parameter | Description  |
|---------------------|-----------|--|
| <b>SWEEP</b>        |           |  |
| :INITIATE           |           | This command starts a sweep performing for source module.  |
| :ABORT              |           | This command aborts the sweep performing for source module.  |
| :MODE?              |           | This command returns the sweep mode for the source module. The returned values are separated by a comma. The first value is a constant as 1. The second value represents sweep mode, 0 is for frequency sweep, 1 is for wavelength sweep.            |
| :MODE               | < 1, N >  | This command sets the sweep mode for the source module. The setting values are separated by a comma. The first value is a constant as 1. The second value, N represents sweep mode. Set N to 0 for frequency sweep. Set N to 1 for wavelength sweep. |
| <b>SWEEP : FREQ</b> |           |  |
| :PAUSE?             |           | This command returns the interval time between two steps of a stepped sweep for the source module.   |
| :PAUSE              | <Value>   | This command sets the interval time between two steps of a stepped sweep for the source module.  |
| :PULSE: PAUSE?      |           | This command returns the time width of trigger pulse. The default unit is second. Don't attach the unit in the command message.  |
| :PULSE: PAUSE       | <Value>   | This command sets the time width of trigger pulse. The default unit is second. Don't attach the unit in the command message. The setting range is form 0.0001 to 6 seconds.  |
| :START?             |           | This command returns the setting value of the frequency at which the sweep begins for the source module.   |

|        |         |   |
|--------|---------|---|
| :START | <Value> | This command sets the frequency at which the sweep begins for the source module.  |
| :STOP? |         | This command returns the setting value of frequency at which the sweep ends for the source module.                                      |
| :STOP  | <Value> | This command sets the frequency at which the sweep ends for the source module.  |
| :STEP? |         | This command returns the size of the change in the frequency for each step of a stepped sweep for the source module.                    |
| :STEP  | <Value> | This command sets the size of the change in the frequency for each step of a stepped sweep for the source module. The accuracy is 1GHz. |

**SWEEP : WAVE**

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| :START? |         | This command returns the setting value of the wavelength at which the sweep begins for the source module.                                       |
| :START  | <Value> | This command sets the wavelength at which the sweep begins for the source module.   |
| :STOP?  |         | This command returns the setting value of wavelength at which the sweep ends for the source module.   |
| :STOP   | <Value> | This command sets the wavelength at which the sweep ends for the source module.   |
| :STEP?  |         | This command returns the size of the change in the wavelength for each step of a stepped sweep for the source module.                           |
| :STEP   | <Value> | This command sets the size of the change in the wavelength for each step of a stepped sweep for the source module. The setting minimum is 0.01. |

For example

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|----------|----------------------------|---|
| Command  | SWEEP:INITIATE             | Start a sweep performing for source module.   |
| Response | >                          |   |
| Command  | SWEEP:ABORT                | Abort the sweep performing for source module.   |
| Response | Sweep: Abort Ok<br>>       |   |
| Command  | SWEEP: MODE?               | Return the sweep mode for the source module.  |
| Response | >                          | The returned values are separated by a comma. The first value is a constant as 1. The second value represents sweep mode, 0 is for frequency sweep, 1 is for wavelength sweep.                      |
| Command  | SWEEP: MODE 1,0            | This command sets the sweep mode for the source module. The setting values are separated by a comma. The first value is a constant as 1. The second value, 0 represents performing frequency sweep. |
| Response | >                          |   |
| Command  | SWEEP: FREQ:PAUSE?         | Return the interval time between two steps of a stepped sweep for the source module. The returned value is in second. No unit is returned in the response message.                                  |
| Response | 0.01<br>>                  |   |
| Command  | SWEEP: FREQ:PAUSE 0.1      | Set the interval time between two steps of a stepped sweep for the source module. The default unit is second. Don't attach the unit in the command message.   |
| Response | >                          |   |
| Command  | SWEEP: FREQ:PULSE:PAUSE?   | Return the time width of trigger pulse. The default unit is second. Don't attach the unit in the command message.   |
| Response | 0.0001<br>>                |   |
| Command  | SWEEP:FREQ:PULSE:PAUSE 0.1 | Set the time width of trigger pulse. The default unit is second. Don't attach the unit in the command message.  |
| Response | >                          |   |

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|----------|-------------------------|---|
| Command  | SWEEP:FREQ:START?       | Return the setting value of the frequency at which the sweep begins for the source module.  |
| Response | 1525<br>>               | The returned value is in GHz. No unit is returned in the response message.  |
| Command  | SWEEP:FREQ:START 191000 | Set the frequency at which the sweep begins for the source module. The default unit is GHz. Don't attach the unit in the command message.   |
| Response | >                       |   |
| Command  | SWEEP:FREQ:STOP?        | Return the setting value of frequency at which the sweep ends for the source module. The returned value is in GHz. No unit is returned in the response message.                   |
| Response | 196000<br>>             |   |
| Command  | SWEEP:FREQ:STOP 196000  | Set the frequency at which the sweep ends for the source module. The default unit is GHz. Don't attach the unit in the command message.   |
| Response | >                       |   |
| Command  | SWEEP:FREQ:STEP?        | Return the size of the change in the frequency for each step of a stepped sweep for the source module. The returned value is in GHz. No unit is returned in the response message. |
| Response | 1000<br>>               |   |
| Command  | SWEEP:FREQ:STEP 1000    | Set the size of the change in the frequency for each step of a stepped sweep for the source module. The default unit is GHz. Don't attach the unit in the command message.        |
| Response | >                       |   |
| Command  | SWEEP:WAVE:START?       | Return the setting value of the wavelength at which the sweep begins for the source module. The returned value is in nanometer. No unit is returned in the response message.      |
| Response | 1525<br>>               |   |
| Command  | SWEEP:WAVE:START 1525   | Set the wavelength at which the sweep begins for the source module. The default unit is nanometer. Don't attach the unit in the command message.                                  |
| Response | >                       |   |

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|----------|--------------------------|--|
| Command  | SWEEP : WAVE : STOP?     | Return the setting value of wavelength at which the sweep ends for the source module. The returned value is in nanometer. No unit is returned in the response message.   |
| Response | 1568<br>>                |  |
| Command  | SWEEP : WAVE : STOP 1568 | Set the wavelength at which the sweep ends for the source module. The default unit is nanometer. Don't attach the unit in the command message.   |
| Response | >                        |  |
| Command  | SWEEP : WAVE : STEP?     | Return the size of the change in the wavelength for each step of a stepped sweep for the source module. The returned value is in nanometer. No unit is returned in the response message.                       |
| Response | >                        |  |
| Command  | SWEEP : WAVE : STEP 0.02 | Set the size of the change in the wavelength for each step of a stepped sweep for the source module. The setting minimum is 0.01. The default unit is nanometer. Don't attach the unit in the command message. |
| Response | >                        |  |

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