

# Digital Storage Oscilloscope

GDS-1000A Series

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## USER MANUAL

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ISO-9001 CERTIFIED MANUFACTURER

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# SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

This chapter contains important safety instructions that should be followed when operating and storing the oscilloscope. Read the following before any operation to ensure your safety and to keep the oscilloscope in the best condition.

## Safety Symbols

These safety symbols may appear in this manual or on the oscilloscope.

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**WARNING** Warning: Identifies conditions or practices that could result in injury or loss of life.



**CAUTION** Caution: Identifies conditions or practices that could result in damage to the oscilloscope or to other objects or property.



**DANGER High Voltage**



**Attention:** Refer to the Manual



**Protective Conductor Terminal**



**Earth (Ground) Terminal**



Do not dispose electronic equipment as unsorted municipal waste. Please use a separate collection facility or contact the supplier from which this instrument was purchased.

## Safety Guidelines

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### General Guideline



### CAUTION

- Make sure the BNC input voltage does not exceed 300V peak.
- Never connect a hazardous live voltage to the ground side of the BNC connectors. It might lead to fire and electric shock.
- Do not place heavy objects on the oscilloscope.
- Avoid severe impact or rough handling that may damage the oscilloscope.
- Avoid discharges of static electricity on or near the oscilloscope.
- Use only mating connectors, not bare wires, for the terminals.
- Do not block the cooling fan vent.
- Do not perform measurements at power sources and building installation sites (Note below).
- The oscilloscope should only be disassembled by a qualified technician.

(Measurement categories) EN 61010-1:2001 specifies the measurement categories and their requirements as follows. The GDS-1000A falls under category II.

- Measurement category IV is for measurement performed at the source of a low-voltage installation.
  - Measurement category III is for measurement performed in a building installation.
  - Measurement category II is for measurement performed on circuits directly connected to a low voltage installation.
  - Measurement category I is for measurements performed on circuits not directly connected to Mains.
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**Power Supply****WARNING**

- AC Input voltage: 100 ~ 240V AC, 47 ~ 63Hz
- The power supply voltage should not fluctuate more than 10%.
- Connect the protective grounding conductor of the AC power cord to an earth ground.

**Fuse****WARNING**

- Fuse type: T1A/250V
- To ensure fire protection, replace the fuse only with the specified type and rating.
- Disconnect the power cord before replacing the fuse.
- Make sure the cause of fuse blowout is fixed before replacing the fuse.

**Cleaning the oscilloscope**

- Disconnect the power cord before cleaning the oscilloscope.
- Use a soft cloth dampened in a solution of mild detergent and water. Do not spray any liquid into the oscilloscope.
- Do not use chemicals containing harsh products such as benzene, toluene, xylene, and acetone.

**Operation Environment**

- Location: Indoor, no direct sunlight, dust free, almost non-conductive pollution (Note below)
- Relative Humidity:  $\leq 80\%$ , 40°C or below  
 $\leq 45\%$ , 41°C~50°C
- Altitude: < 2000m
- Temperature: 0°C to 50°C

(Pollution Degree) EN 61010-1:2001 specifies pollution degrees and their requirements as follows. The oscilloscope falls under degree 2.

Pollution refers to “addition of foreign matter, solid, liquid, or gaseous (ionized gases), that may produce a reduction of dielectric strength or surface resistivity”.

- Pollution degree 1: No pollution or only dry, non-conductive pollution occurs. The pollution has no influence.
  - Pollution degree 2: Normally only non-conductive pollution occurs. Occasionally, however, a temporary conductivity caused by condensation must be expected.
  - Pollution degree 3: Conductive pollution occurs, or dry, non-conductive pollution occurs which becomes conductive due to condensation which is expected. In such conditions, equipment is normally protected against exposure to direct sunlight, precipitation, and full wind pressure, but neither temperature nor humidity is controlled.
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**Storage environment**

- Location: Indoor
- Storage Temperature: -10°C~60°C, no condensation-
- Relative Humidity: 93% @ 40°C

65% @ 41°C ~60°C

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**Disposal**



Do not dispose this instrument as unsorted municipal waste. Please use a separate collection facility or contact the supplier from which this instrument was purchased. Please make sure discarded electrical waste is properly recycled to reduce environmental impact.

## Power cord for the United Kingdom

When using the oscilloscope in the United Kingdom, make sure the power cord meets the following safety instructions.

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NOTE: This lead/appliance must only be wired by competent persons



**WARNING: THIS APPLIANCE MUST BE EARTCHED**

IMPORTANT: The wires in this lead are coloured in accordance with the following code:

Green/ Yellow:	Earth
Blue:	Neutral
Brown:	Live (Phase)



As the colours of the wires in main leads may not correspond with the coloured marking identified in your plug/appliance, proceed as follows:

The wire which is coloured Green & Yellow must be connected to the Earth terminal marked with either the letter E, the earth symbol  or coloured Green/Green & Yellow.

The wire which is coloured Blue must be connected to the terminal which is marked with the letter N or coloured Blue or Black.

The wire which is coloured Brown must be connected to the terminal marked with the letter L or P or coloured Brown or Red.

If in doubt, consult the instructions provided with the equipment or contact the supplier.

This cable/appliance should be protected by a suitably rated and approved HBC mains fuse: refer to the rating information on the equipment and/or user instructions for details. As a guide, a cable of 0.75mm<sup>2</sup> should be protected by a 3A or 5A fuse. Larger conductors would normally require 13A types, depending on the connection method used.

Any exposed wiring from a cable, plug or connection that is engaged in a live socket is extremely hazardous. If a cable or plug is deemed hazardous, turn off the mains power and remove the cable, any fuses and fuse assemblies. All hazardous wiring must be immediately destroyed and replaced in accordance to the above standard.

# GETTING STARTED

The Getting started chapter introduces the oscilloscope's main features\*, appearance, and set up procedure. \* firmware V1.5.

## Main Features

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Model name	Frequency bandwidth	Input channels
GDS-1062A	DC – 60MHz (-3dB)	2
GDS-1102A	DC – 100MHz (-3dB)	2
GDS-1152A	DC – 150MHz (-3dB)	2
Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 1 GS/s real-time sampling rate</li><li>• 25GS/s equivalent-time sampling rate</li><li>• 2M points record length</li><li>• Up to 10ns peak detection</li><li>• 2mV~10V vertical scale</li><li>• 1ns ~ 50s time scale</li></ul>	
Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 5.6 inch color TFT display</li><li>• Saving and recalling setups and waveforms</li><li>• 27 automatic measurements</li><li>• Multi-language menu (12 languages)</li><li>• Math operation: Addition, Subtraction, multiplication, FFT, FFT RMS</li><li>• Edge, video, pulse width trigger</li><li>• Compact size: (W) 310 x (D) 140 x (H) 142 mm</li><li>• Probe factor from 0.1X~2000X voltage/current</li></ul>	

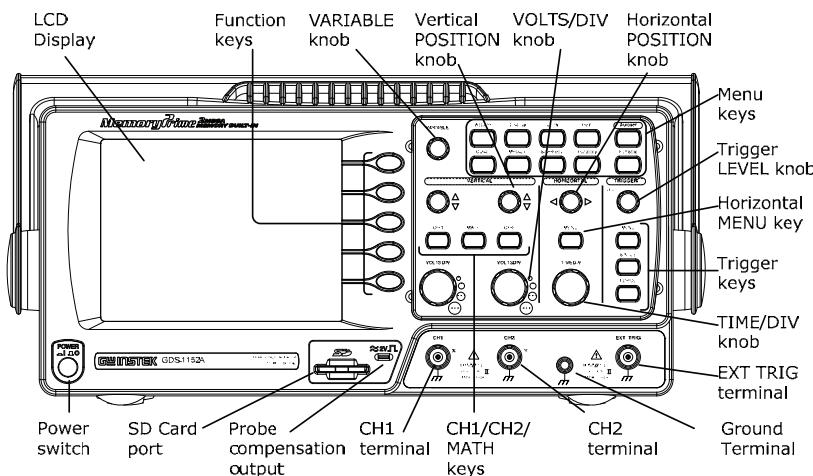
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**Interface**

- SD/SDHC card interface for saving and recalling data
- Calibration output
- External trigger input
- USB slave interface for remote control
- PictBridge Printer compatible

## Panel Overview

### Front Panel



**LCD display** TFT color, 320 x 234 resolution, wide angle view LCD display.

**Function keys:** Activates the functions which appear in the left side of the LCD display.

**Variable knob** Increases or decreases values and moves to the next or previous parameter.

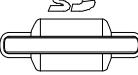
**Acquire key** Configures the acquisition mode (page63).

**Display key** Configures the display settings (page68).

**Cursor key** Runs cursor measurements (page56).

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Utility key		Configures the Hardcopy function (page101), shows the system status (page88), selects the menu language (page92), runs the self calibration (page120), configures the probe compensation signal (page121), and selects the USB host type(page89).
Help key		Shows the Help contents on the display (page42).
Autoset key		Automatically configures the horizontal, vertical, and trigger settings according to the input signal (page44).
Measure key		Configures and runs automatic measurements (page50).
Save/Recall key		Saves and recalls images, waveforms, or panel settings (page94).
Hardcopy key		Stores images, waveforms, or panel settings to an SD card (page101), or prints screen images to a PictBridge compatible printer (page117).
Run/Stop key		Runs or stops triggering (page45).
Trigger level knob		Sets the trigger level (page81).
Trigger menu key		Configures the trigger settings (page81).
Single trigger key		Selects the single triggering mode (page88).

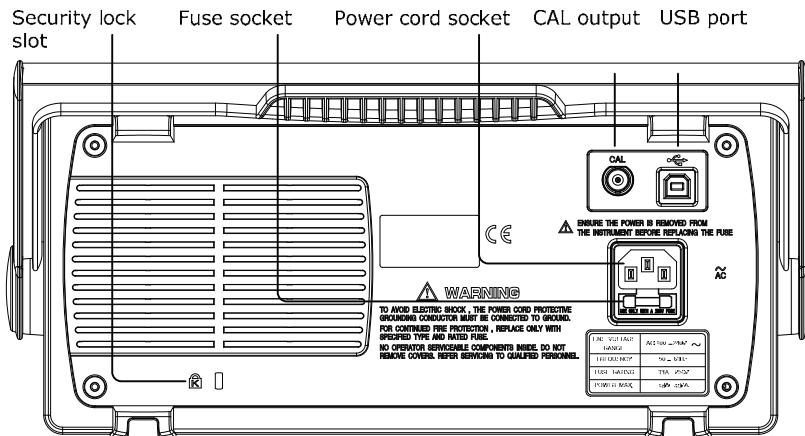
Trigger force key		Acquires the input signal once regardless of the trigger condition at the time (page88).
Horizontal menu key		Configures the horizontal view (page70).
Horizontal position knob		Moves the waveform horizontally (page70).
TIME/DIV knob		Selects the horizontal scale (page70).
Vertical position knob		Moves the waveform vertically (page76).
CH1/CH2 key		Configures the vertical scale and coupling mode for each channel (page76).
VOLTS/DIV knob		Selects the vertical scale (page76).
Input terminal		Accepts input signals: $1M\Omega \pm 2\%$ input impedance, BNC terminal.
Ground terminal		Accepts the DUT ground lead to achieve a common ground.
MATH key		Performs math operations (page59).
SD card port		Facilitates transferring waveform data, display images, and panel settings (page94).
Probe compensation output		Outputs a 2Vp-p, square signal for compensating the probe (page121) or demonstration.

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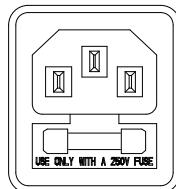
External trigger input	EXT TRIG 	Accepts an external trigger signal (page81).
Power switch	POWER 	Powers the oscilloscope on or off.

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## Rear Panel



Power cord  
socket



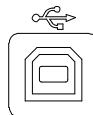
Power cord socket accepts the AC mains, 100 ~ 240V, 50/60Hz.

Fuse socket

The fuse socket holds the AC main fuse, T1A/250V.

For the fuse replacement procedure, see page126.

USB slave port



Accepts a type B (slave) male USB connector for remote control of the oscilloscope (page89) or to print directly to a PictBridge compatible printer.

Calibration  
output



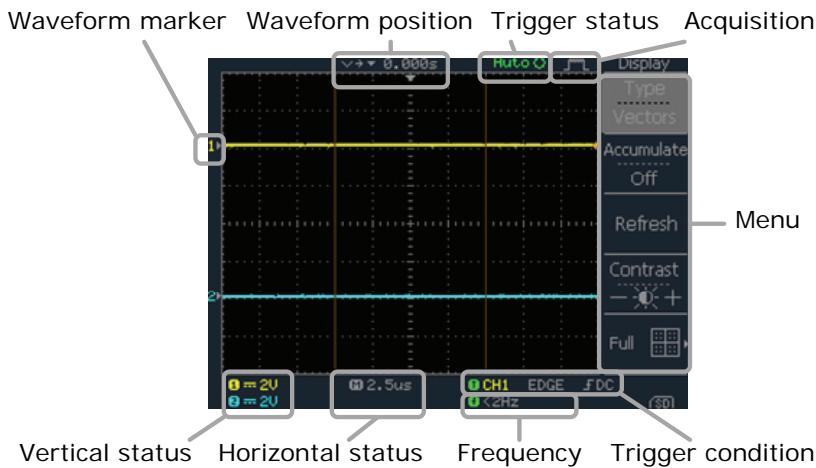
Outputs the calibration signal used in vertical scale accuracy calibration (page120).

Security lock slot



Standard laptop security lock slot for ensuring the security of the GDS-1000A.

## Display



Waveforms	Channel 1: Yellow	Channel 2: Blue
Trigger status	Trig'd	A signal is being triggered
	Trig?	Waiting for a trigger condition
	Auto	Updating the input signal regardless of trigger conditions
	STOP	Triggering is stopped
	For trigger setting details, see page 81.	
Input signal frequency	Updates the input signal frequency (the trigger source signal) in real-time. “< 2Hz” Indicates that the signal frequency is less than the lower frequency limit (2Hz) and thus not accurate.	
Trigger configuration	Shows the trigger source, type, and slope. In case of the Video trigger, shows the trigger source and polarity.	
Horizontal status	Shows the channel configurations: coupling mode, vertical scale, and horizontal scale.	
Vertical status		

## Setting up the Oscilloscope

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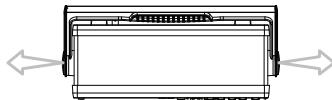
### Background

This section describes how to set up the oscilloscope properly including adjusting the handle, connecting a signal, adjusting the scale, and compensating the probe. Before operating the oscilloscope in a new environment, run these steps to make sure the oscilloscope is functionally stable.

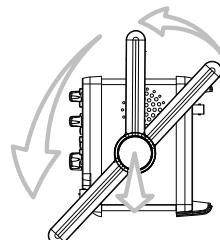
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### Procedure

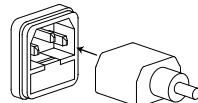
1. Pull both bases of the handle out slightly.



2. Turn to one of the three preset positions.



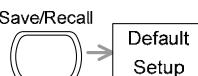
3. Connect the power cord.



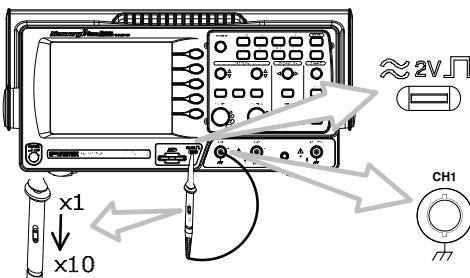
4. Press the power switch. The display will become active in approximately 10 seconds.



5. Reset the system by recalling the factory settings. Press the Save/Recall key, then *Default Setup*. For details regarding the factory settings, see page41.



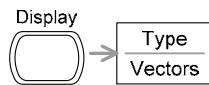
6. Connect the probe between the Channel1 input terminal and probe compensation signal output ( $2\text{Vp-p}$ ,  $1\text{kHz}$  square wave).
7. Set the probe attenuation voltage to  $x10$ .



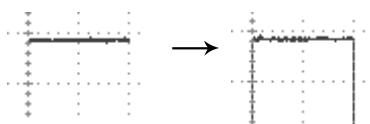
8. Press the Autoset key. A square waveform will appear in the center of the display. For details on Autoset, see page44.

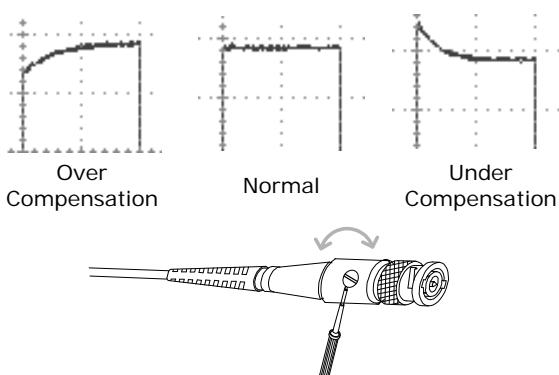


9. Press the Display key, then Type and select the vector waveform type.



10. Turn the adjustment point on the probe to flatten the square waveform edge.





11. Setting up the oscilloscope is complete. You may continue with the other operations.

Measurement: page43 Configuration: page63

# QUICK REFERENCE

This chapter lists the oscilloscope menu tree, operation shortcuts, built-in help coverage, and default factory settings. Use this chapter as a handy reference to access the oscilloscope functionalities.

## Menu Tree and Shortcuts

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### Conventions

Normal

Average ↗

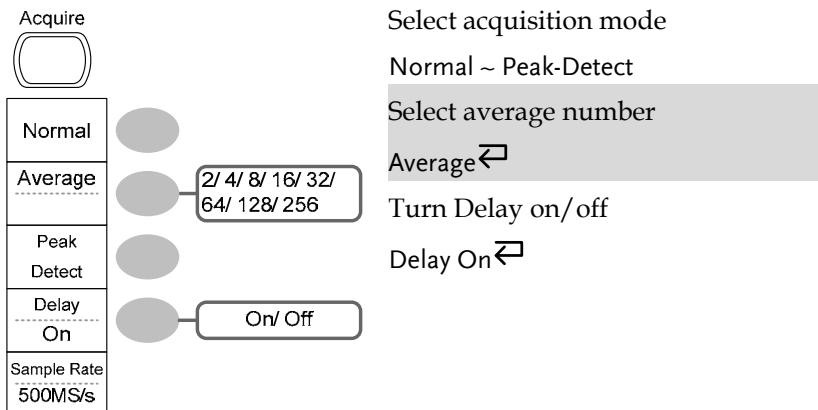
Normal ~ Average = Select a menu from “Normal” to “Average” and press its functionality key

Normal → VAR ⚙ = Press the functionality key for “Normal”, and then use the Variable knob

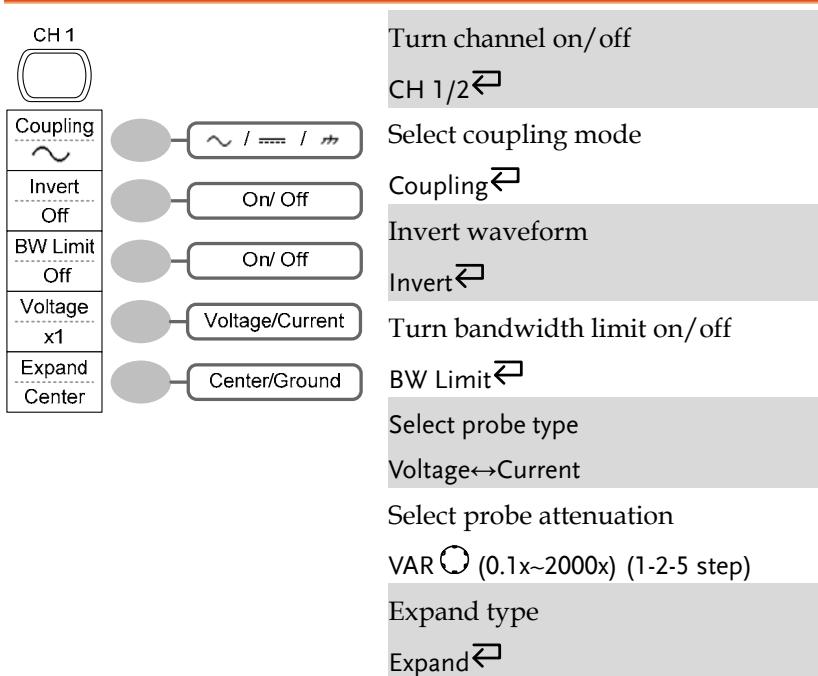
### Examples

= Press the functionality key for “Normal”

= Repeatedly press the functionality key for “Average”

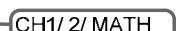


## CH1/2 key



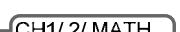
## Cursor key 1/2

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	Turn cursor on/off Cursor 
 	Move X1 cursor $X1 \rightarrow VAR$ 
	Move X2 cursor $X2 \rightarrow VAR$ 
	Move both X1 and X2 cursor $X1X2 \rightarrow VAR$ 
	Switch to Y cursor $X \leftrightarrow Y$

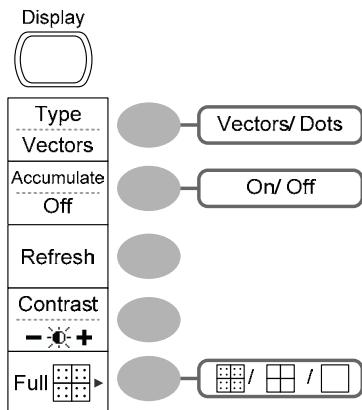
## Cursor key 2/2

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	Turn cursor on/off Cursor 
 	Move Y1 cursor $Y1 \rightarrow VAR$ 
	Move Y2 cursor $Y2 \rightarrow VAR$ 
	Move both Y1 and Y2 cursor $Y1Y2 \rightarrow VAR$ 
	Switch to X cursor $X \leftrightarrow Y$

## Display key

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Select waveform type  
Type ↵

Waveform accumulate On/Off  
Accumulate ↵

Refresh accumulation  
Refresh

Set display contrast  
Contrast→VAR ○

Select display grid  
Grid ↵

## Autoset key

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Automatically find the signal and set the scale  
Autoset

## Hardcopy key

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→ See Utility key (page38)

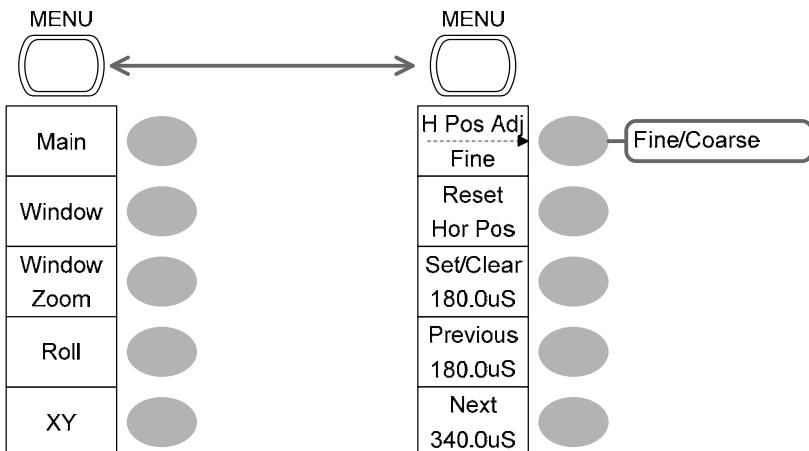
## Help key

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Turn help mode on/off  
Help ↵

## Horizontal menu key



Switch from Horizontal Menu to Horizontal Position Menu.

Select main (default) display Main

Select window mode Window→TIME/DIV

Zoom in window mode Window Zoom

Select window roll mode Roll

Select XY mode XY

Toggle adjustment mode H Pos Adj

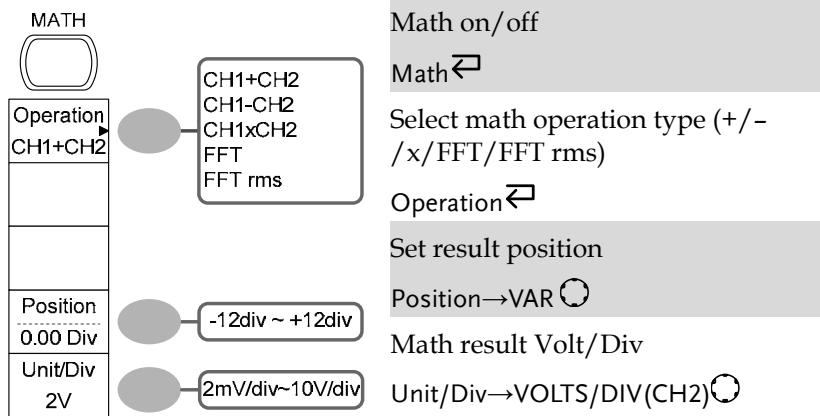
Reset horizontal marker Reset

Set Horizontal marker/delete horizontal marker.

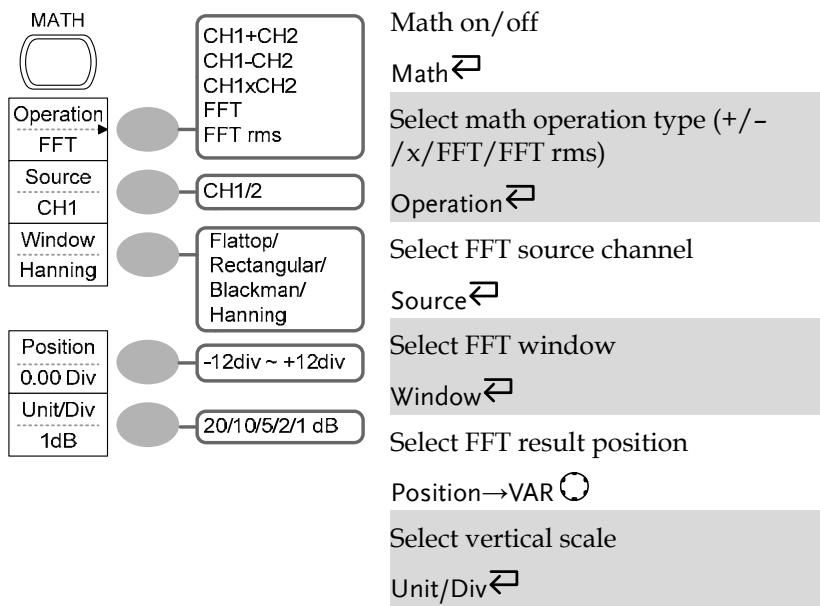
Navigate to previous horizontal marker.

Navigate to next horizontal marker.

## Math key 1/2 (+/-x)



## Math key 2/2 (FFT/FFT rms)



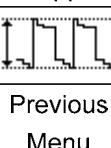
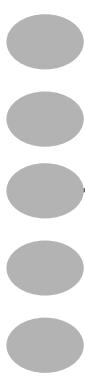
## Measure key

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Measure

Vpp  
1: 204mV  
2: 300mVVavg  
1: 1.93mV  
2: 28.0mVFrequency  
1: 1.000kHz  
2: 3.003kHzDuty Cycle  
1: 50.01%  
2: 49.88%Rise Time  
1: 76.20us  
2: 70.11us

Measure

Source 1  
CH1Source 2  
CH2Voltage  
VppPrevious  
Menu

View all>Select  
Measurements  
(Voltage/  
Time/Delay)

Turn on/off measurement

Measure

Select measurement type

Voltage/Time/Delay

Select measurement item

VAR or Icon(F3) / → VAR

Go back to previous menu

Previous Menu

## Run/Stop key

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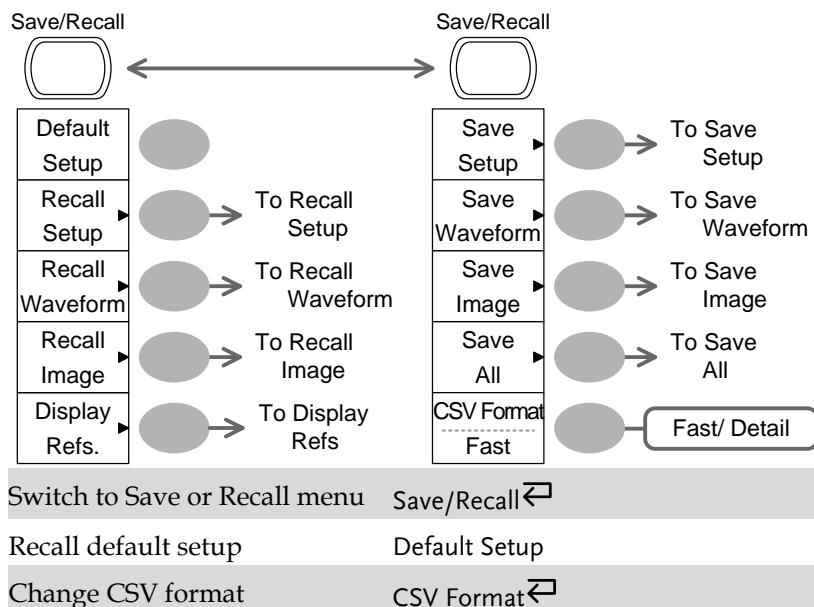
Run/Stop



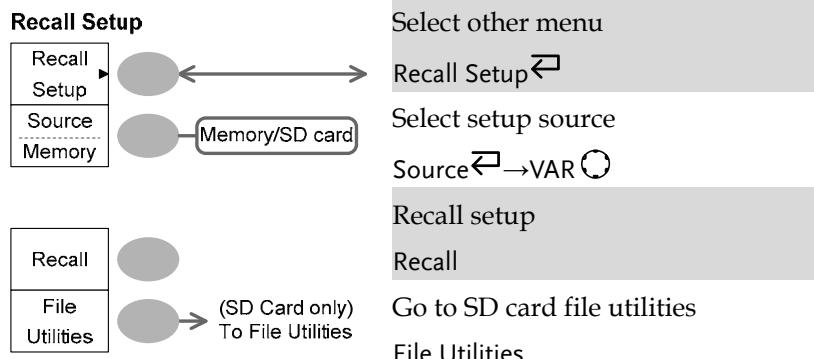
Freeze/unfreeze waveform or trigger

Run/Stop

## Save/Recall key 1/10



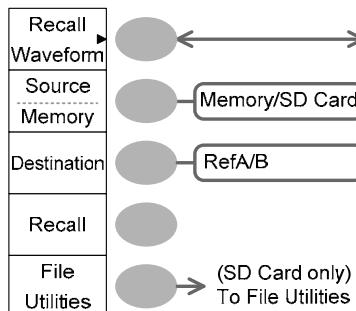
## Save/Recall key 2/10



## Save/Recall key 3/10

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### Recall Waveform



Select other menu

Recall Waveform ↵

Select waveform source

Source ↵ → VAR ○

Select waveform destination

Destination → VAR ○

Recall waveform

Recall

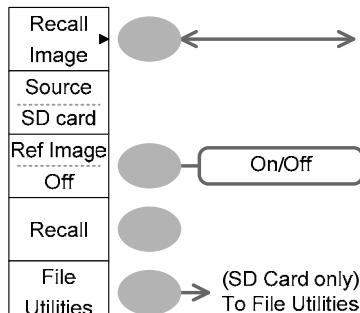
Go to SD card file utilities

File Utilities

## Save/Recall key 4/10

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### Recall Image



Select other menu

Recall Image ↵

Turn reference image on/off

Ref image ↵

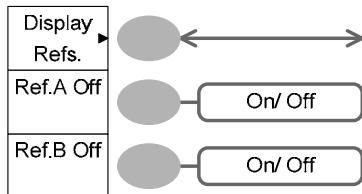
Recall waveform

Recall

Go to SD card file utilities

File Utilities

## Save/Recall key 5/10

**Display Refs.**

Select other menu

Display Refs. ↵

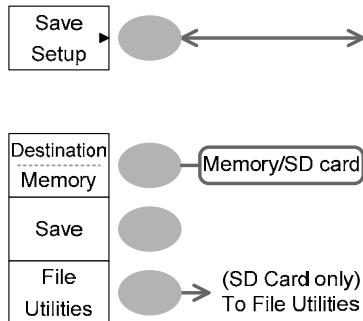
Turn ref. waveform A on/off

Ref.A ↵

Turn ref. waveform B on/off

Ref.B ↵

## Save/Recall key 6/10

**Save Setup**

Select other menu

Save Setup ↵

Select destination

Destination ↵ → VAR ↩

Save setup

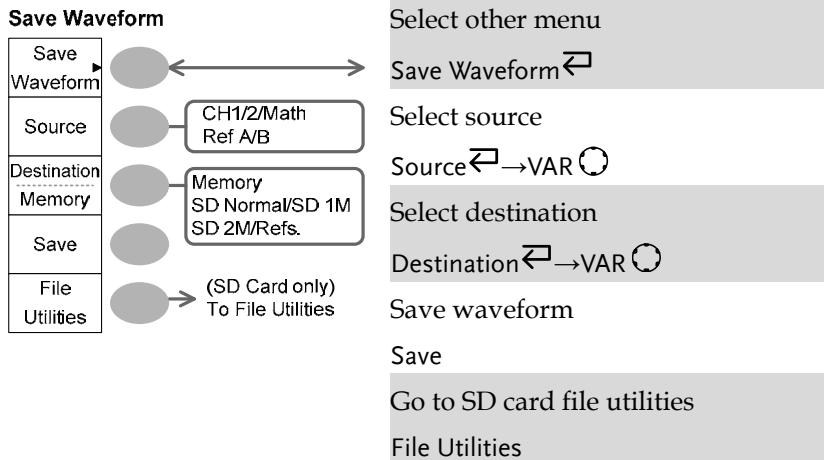
Save

Go to SD card file utilities

File Utilities

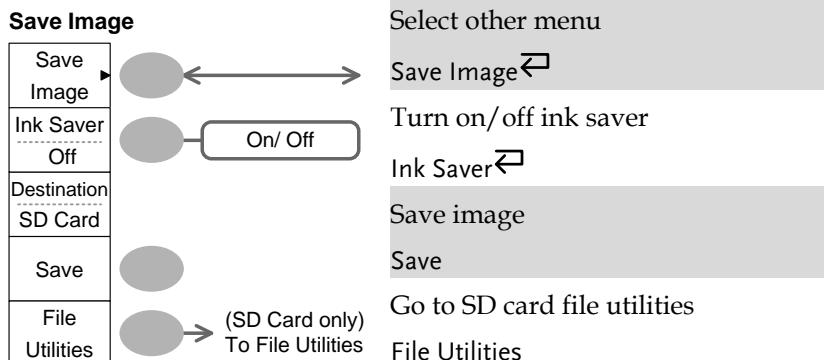
## Save/Recall key 7/10

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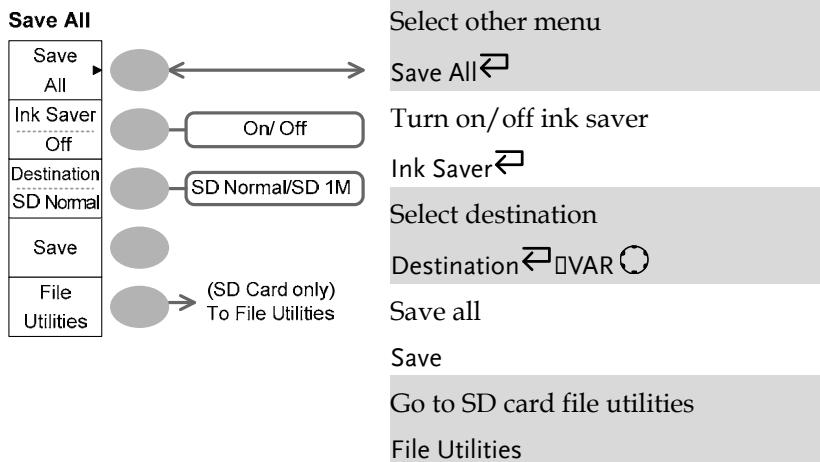


## Save/Recall key 8/10

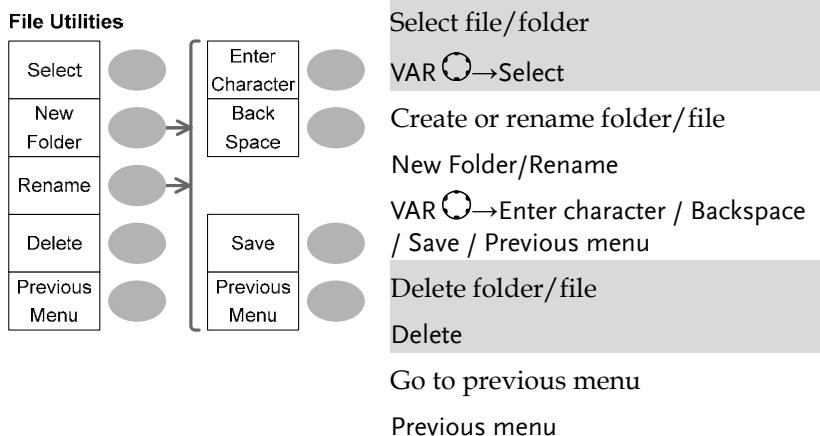
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## Save/Recall key 9/10

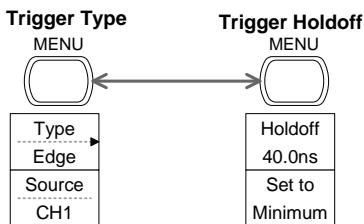


## Save/Recall key 10/10

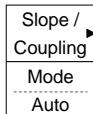


## Trigger key 1/6

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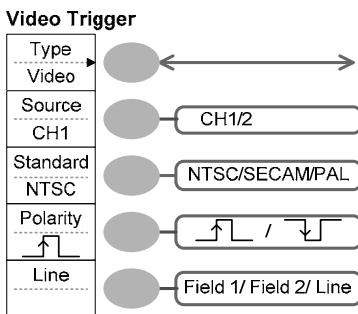


Select Trigger type or Trigger Holdoff menu  
Type ↵



## Trigger key 2/6

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Select video trigger type  
Type ↵

Select trigger source

Source ↵

Select video standard

Standard ↵

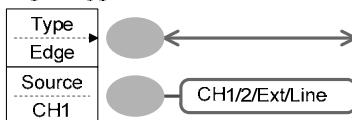
Select video polarity

Polarity ↵

Select video field/line

Line ↵ → VAR ○

## Trigger key 3/6

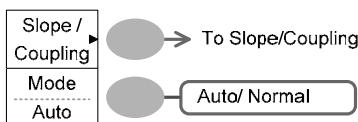
**Edge Trigger**

Select edge trigger type

Edge ↵

Select trigger source

Source ↵



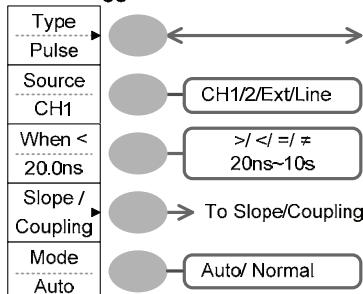
Go to slope/coupling menu (page37)

Slope/Coupling

Select trigger mode

Mode ↵

## Trigger key 4/6

**Pulse Trigger**

Select pulse trigger type

Type ↵

Select trigger source

Source ↵

Select pulse trigger condition and pulse width

When ↵ → VAR ○

Go to slope/coupling menu (page37)

Slope/Coupling

Select trigger mode

Mode ↵

## Trigger key 5/6

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### Coupling/Slope

Slope	
Coupling	
AC	
Rejection	
Off	
Noise Rej	
Off	
Previous	
Menu	

Select trigger slope type

Slope

Select trigger coupling mode

Coupling

Select frequency rejection

Rejection

Turn noise rejection on/off

Noise Rej

Go back to previous menu

Previous Menu

## Trigger key 6/6

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### Trigger Holdoff

Holdoff	
40.0ns	40ns~2.5s
Set to Minimum	

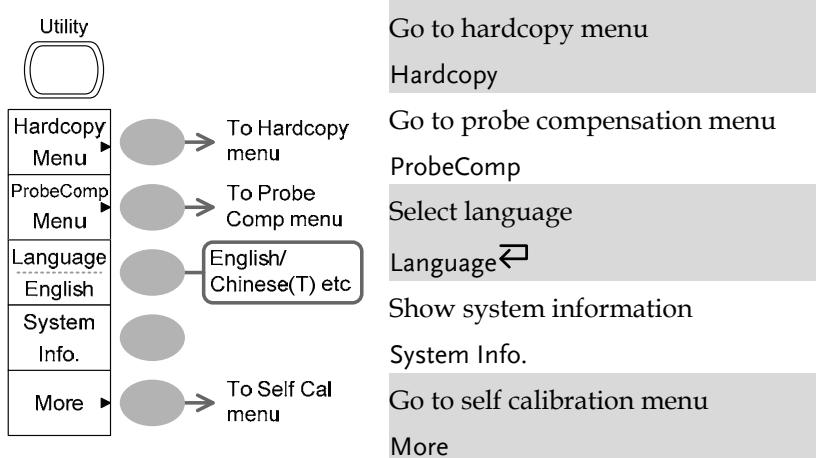
Select Holdoff time

VAR

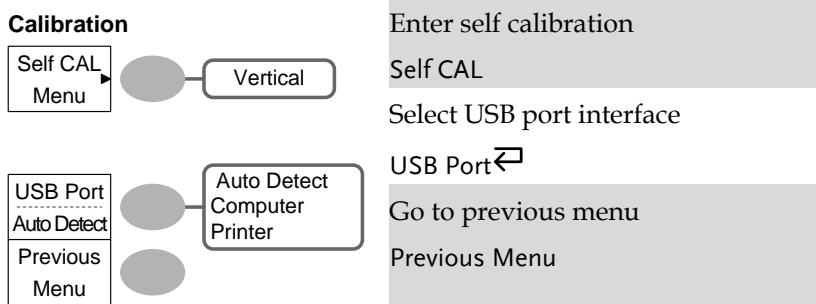
Set to minimum Holdoff time

Set to Minimum

## Utility key 1/6

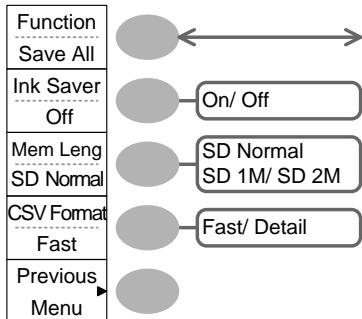


## Utility key 2/6



## Utility key 3/6

### Hardcopy – Save All



Select Hardcopy function

Function ↵

Turn on/off Inksaver

Ink Saver ↵

Set the memory length

Mem Leng ↵

Change CSV format

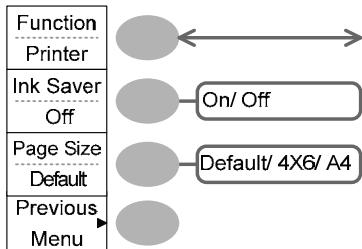
CSV Format ↵

Go to previous menu

Previous Menu ↵

## Utility key 4/6

### Hardcopy – Printer



Select Hardcopy function

Select Function ↵

Turn on/off Inksaver

Ink Saver ↵

Set default page size

Page Size ↵

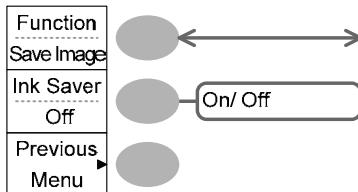
Go to previous menu

Previous Menu ↵

## Utility key 5/6

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### Hardcopy – Save Image



Select Hardcopy function

Select Function ↵

Turn on/off Inksaver

Ink Saver ↵

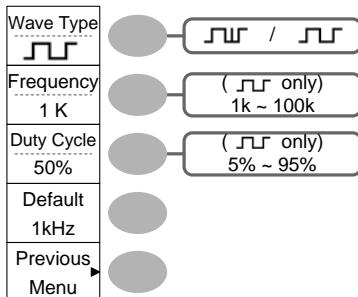
Go to previous menu

Previous Menu ↵

## Utility key 6/6

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### Probe compensation



Select probe compensation signal

Wave Type ↵

Set frequency for square wave

Frequency→VAR ○

Set duty cycle for square wave

Duty Cycle→VAR ○

Go to previous menu

Previous Menu

## Default Settings

Here are the factory installed panel settings which appear when pressing the Save/Recall key→ *Default Setup*.



Acquisition	Mode: Normal	
Channel	Scale: 2V/Div	Invert: Off
	Coupling: DC	Probe attenuation voltage: x1
	BW limit: Off	Channel 1 & 2: On
Cursor	Source: CH1	Cursor: Off
Display	Type: Vectors 	Accumulate: Off
Horizontal	Scale: 2.5us/Div	Mode: Main Timebase
	H Pos Adj: Fine	Hor Pos:0
Math	Type: + (Add)	Position: 0.00 Div
Measure	Item: Vpp, Vavg, Frequency, Duty Cycle, Rise Time	
Trigger	Type: Edge	Source: Channel1
	Mode: Auto	Slope:
	Coupling: DC	Rejection: Off
	Noise Rejection: Off	
Utility	Hardcopy: SaveImage, InkSaver Off	ProbeComp: Square wave, 1k, 50% duty cycle

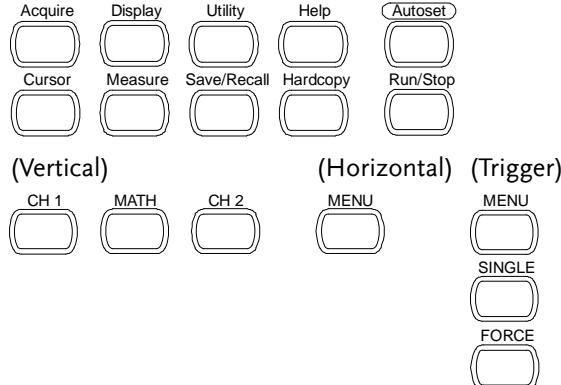
## Built-in Help

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The Help key shows the contents of the built-in help support. When you press a function key, its descriptions appear in the display.



Applicable keys



Procedure

1. Press the Help key. The display changes to the Help mode.
2. Press a functional key to access its help contents. (example: Acquire key)
3. Use the Variable knob to scroll the Help contents up and down.
4. Press the Help key again to exit the Help mode.



# M EASUREMENT

The Measurement chapter describes how to properly observe a signal using the oscilloscope's basic functions, and how to observe a signal in a detailed manner using some of the advanced functions such as :

Automatic measurements, cursor measurements, and math operations.

## Basic Measurements

This section describes the basic operations required in capturing and viewing an input signal. For more detailed operations, see the following chapters.

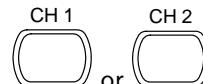
- Measurements → from page43
- Configurations → from page63

### Activating a channel

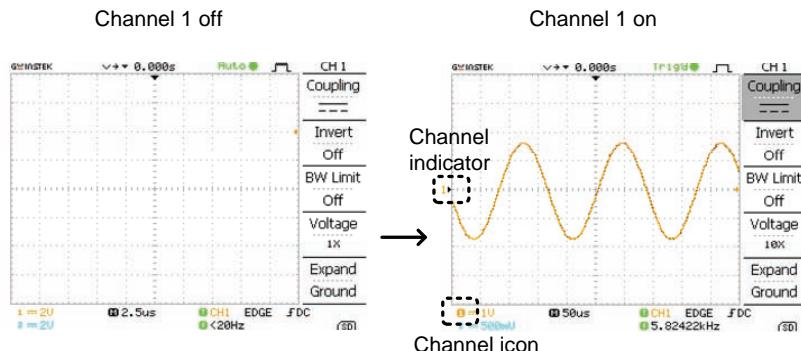
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Activating a channel

To activate an input channel, press the Channel key, CH1 or CH2. The channel indicator appears at the left side of the display and the channel icon changes accordingly.



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De-activating a channel

To de-activate the channel, press the Channel key twice (once if the channel menu is already selected).

## Using Autoset

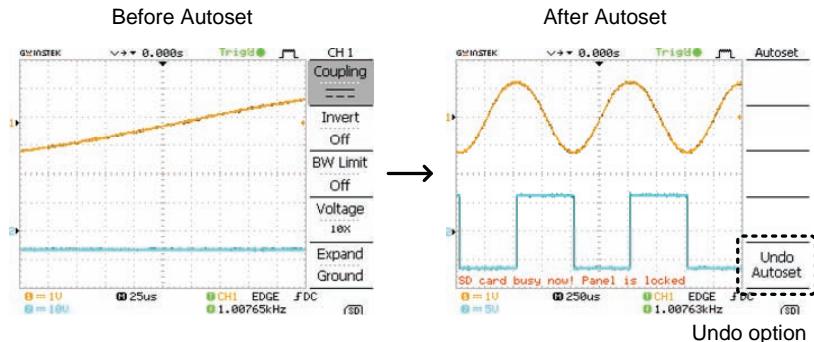
### Background

The Autoset function automatically configures the panel settings to the best viewing conditions, in the following way.

- Selecting the horizontal scale
- Positioning the waveform horizontally
- Selecting the vertical scale
- Positioning the waveform vertically
- Selecting the trigger source channel
- Activating the channels

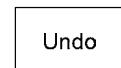
### Procedure

1. Connect the input signal to the oscilloscope and press the Autoset key. 
2. The waveform appears in the center of the display.



#### Undoing the Autoset

To undo the Autoset, press *Undo* (available for a few seconds).



#### Adjusting the trigger level

If the waveform is still unstable, try adjusting the trigger level up or down by using the Trigger Level knob.



#### Limitation

Autoset does not work in the following situation.

- Input signal frequency less than 20Hz
- Input signal amplitude less than 30mV

## Running and stopping the trigger

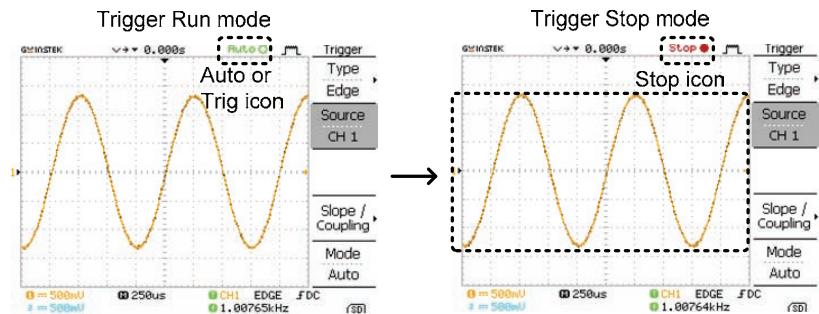
#### Background

In the trigger Run mode, the oscilloscope constantly searches for a trigger condition and updates the signal into the display when the condition is met.

In the trigger Stop mode, the oscilloscope stops triggering and thus the last acquired waveforms stay in the display. The trigger icon at the top of the display changes into Stop mode.

Pressing the Trigger Run/Stop key switches between the Run and Stop mode.





Waveform operation

Waveforms can be moved or scaled in both the Run and Stop mode. For details, see page70 (Horizontal position/scale) and page76 (Vertical position/scale).

## Changing the horizontal position and scale

For more detailed configurations, see page70.

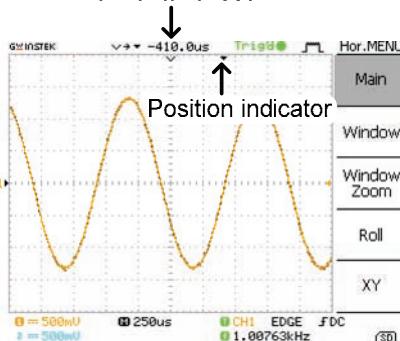
Setting the horizontal position

The horizontal position knob moves the waveform left or right.



The position indicator moves along with the waveform and the distance from the center point is displayed as the offset in the upper side of the display.

Horizontal offset



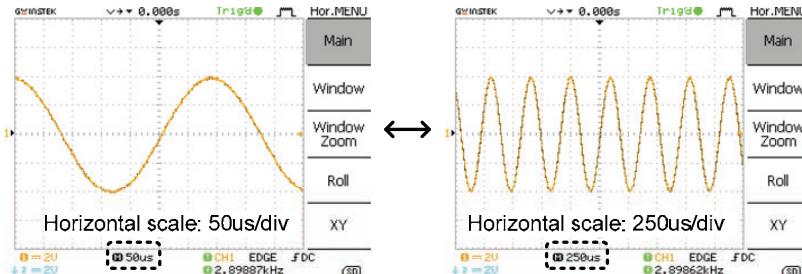
Selecting the horizontal scale

To select the timebase (scale), turn the TIME/DIV knob; left (slow) or right (fast).



Range

1ns/Div ~ 10s/Div, 1-2.5-5 increment



## Changing the vertical position and scale

For more detailed configuration, see page 76.

Set vertical position

To move the waveform up or down, turn the vertical position knob for each channel.



As the waveform moves, the vertical position of the cursor appears at the bottom left corner of the display.

**Run/Stop mode** The waveform can be moved vertically in both Run and Stop mode.

Select vertical scale

To change the vertical scale, turn the VOLTS/DIV knob; left (down) or right (up).



Range

2mV/Div ~ 10V/Div, 1-2-5 increments

The vertical scale indicator for each channel on the bottom left of the display changes accordingly.

## Using the probe compensation signal

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### Background

This section introduces how to use the probe compensation signal for general usage, in case the DUT signal is not available or to get a second signal for comparison. For probe compensation details, see page121.



Note: The frequency accuracy and duty factor are not guaranteed. Therefore the signal should not be used for reference purposes.

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### Waveform type



Square waveform used for probe compensation. 1k ~ 100kHz, 5% ~ 95%.

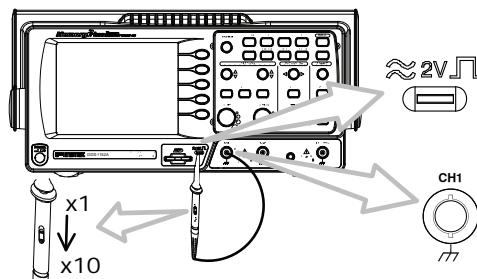


Demonstration signal for showing the effects of peak detection. See page63 for peak detection mode details.

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### View the probe compensation waveform

1. Connect the probe between the compensation signal output and Channel input.



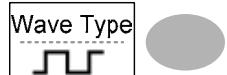
2. Press the Utility key.



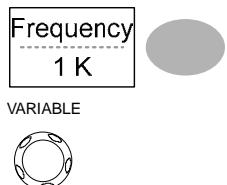
3. Press *ProbeComp*.



4. Press Wave type repeatedly to select the wave type.

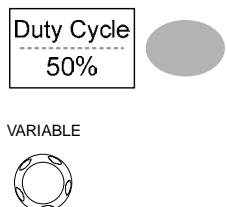


5. (For only) To change the frequency, press *Frequency* and use the Variable knob.



Range 1kHz ~ 100kHz

6. (For only) To change the duty cycle, press *Duty Cycle* and use the Variable knob.



Range 5% ~ 95%

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Probe compensation

For probe compensation details, see page121.

## Automatic Measurements

The automatic measurement function measures input signal attributes and updates them in the display. Up to 5 automatic measurement items can be updated at any one time on the side menus. All automatic measurement types can be displayed on screen if necessary.

### Measurement items

Overview	Voltage type	Time type	Delay type
Vpp		Frequency	
Vmax		Period	
Vmin		RiseTime	
Vamp		FallTime	
Vhi		+Width	
Vlo		-Width	
Vavg		Dutycycle	
Vrms			
ROVShoot			
FOVShoot			
RPREShoot			
FPREShoot			

Voltage measurement items	Vpp		Difference between positive and negative peak voltage ( $=V_{max} - V_{min}$ )
	Vmax		Positive peak voltage.
	Vmin		Negative peak voltage.
	Vamp		Difference between global high and global low voltage ( $=V_{hi} - V_{lo}$ )
	Vhi		Global high voltage.

	Vlo		Global low voltage.
	Vavg		Averaged voltage of the first cycle.
	Vrms		RMS (root mean square) voltage.
	ROVShoot		Rise overshoot voltage.
	FOVShoot		Fall overshoot voltage.
	RPRESHoot		Rise preshoot voltage.
	FPRESHoot		Fall preshoot voltage.
Time measurement items	Freq		Frequency of the waveform.
	Period		Waveform cycle time (=1/Freq).
	Risetime		Rising time of the pulse (~90%).
	Falltime		Falling time of the pulse (~10%).
	+Width		Positive pulse width.
	-Width		Negative pulse width.
	Duty Cycle		Ratio of signal pulse compared with whole cycle =100x (Pulse Width/Cycle)
Delay measurement items	FRR		Time between: Source 1 first rising edge and Source 2 first rising edge

FRF		Time between: Source 1 first rising edge and Source 2 first falling edge
FFR		Time between: Source 1 first falling edge and Source 2 first rising edge
FFF		Time between: Source 1 first falling edge and Source 2 first falling edge
LRR		Time between: Source 1 first rising edge and Source 2 last rising edge
LRF		Time between: Source 1 first rising edge and Source 2 last falling edge
LFR		Time between: Source 1 first falling edge and Source 2 last rising edge
LFF		Time between: Source 1 first falling edge and Source 2 last falling edge

## Automatic measurement gating

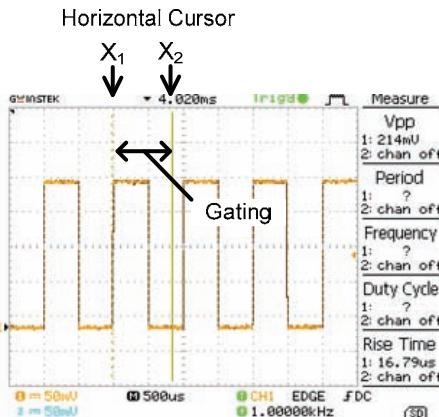
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**Background** Automatic measurements can be restricted to a specific area (gating). When cursors are turned on, the area between the cursors is used for automatic measurements. When cursors are turned off, measurements are derived from all the points that are displayed on screen.

- Turn gating on**
1. Turn on cursors to enable gated automatic measurements.
  2. Press the Measure key.



3. The measurement results appear on the menu bar, constantly updated. All measurements are derived from the cursor positions. See *Automatically measuring the input signals* for more details (page 53).



- Turn gating off      4. Turn off cursors to turn off      Page 56
- gated automatic measurements.

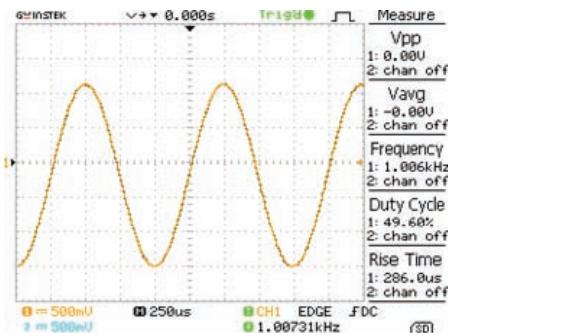
### Automatically measuring the input signals

Viewing the measurement result

1. Press the Measure key.



2. The measurement results appear on the menu bar, constantly updated. 5 measurement slots (F1 to F5) can be customized.



Editing a measurement item

- Press the corresponding menu key (*F1~F5*) to select the measurement slot to be edited.
- The editing menu appears

Voltage  
Vpp

Change measurement item

- Use the Variable knob to select a different measurement item.

VARIABLE



Change measurement source

- Press *F1* repeatedly to change Source1 from CH1 to CH2 or MATH.

Source 1  
CH1

7. Press *F2* repeatedly to change the channel for Source2.

Source 2  
CH2

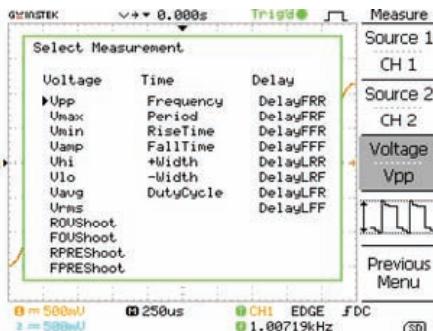
Range CH1, 2, Math

View all measurements

8. Press *F3* to view all measurement items.

Voltage  
Vpp

9. All the measurements appear in the center of the screen.



10. Press *F3* to return.



Note: All the editing operations can still be performed when viewing all the measurement items.

11. Press *Previous Menu* to confirm the item selection and to go back to the measurement results view.

Previous  
Menu

## Cursor Measurements

Cursor lines, horizontal or vertical, show the precise position of the input waveforms or the math operation results. The horizontal cursors can track time, voltage/current\* and frequency, whilst the vertical cursors can track voltage/current\*. All measurements are updated in real-time. \*probe type dependant (page 79).

### Using the horizontal cursors

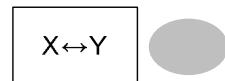
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#### Procedure

1. Press the Cursor key. The cursors appear in the display.



2. Press  $X \leftrightarrow Y$  to select the horizontal ( $X1 \& X2$ ) cursor.



3. Press *Source* repeatedly to select the source channel.



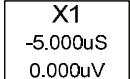
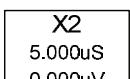
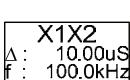
Range      CH1, 2, MATH

4. The cursor measurement results will appear in the menu, F2 to F4.

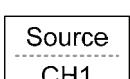
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#### Parameters

X1	Time position of the left cursor. (relative to zero)
X2	Time position of the right cursor. (relative to zero)
X1X2	The difference between the X1 and X2.
$\Delta$ : us	The time difference between X1 and X2.
f: Hz	The time difference converted to frequency.
V/A	The voltage/current difference from X1 and X2.

Moving the horizontal cursors	To move the left cursor, press X1 and then use the Variable knob.	 X1 -5.000uS 0.000uV	
	To move the right cursor, press X2 and then use the Variable knob.	 X2 5.000uS 0.000uV	
	To move both cursors at once, press X1X2 and then use the Variable knob.	 X1X2 Δ : 10.00uS f : 100.0kHz 0.000uV	
Remove cursors	Press Cursor to remove the onscreen cursors.	 Cursor	

## Using the vertical cursors

Procedure	1. Press the Cursor key.	 Cursor	
	2. Press X↔Y to select the vertical (Y1&Y2) cursor.	 X↔Y	
	3. Press Source repeatedly to select the source channel.	 Source CH1	
Range	CH1, 2, MATH		
	4. The cursor measurement results will appear in the menu.		

Parameters	Y1	Voltage level of the upper cursor
	Y2	Voltage level of the lower cursor
	Y1Y2	The difference between the upper and lower cursor
	V/A	The voltage/current difference (Y1-Y2).

Moving the vertical cursors	To move the upper cursor, press $Y1$ and then use the Variable knob.	 Y1 123.4mV
	To move the lower cursor, press $Y2$ and then use the Variable knob.	 Y2 12.9mV
	To move both cursors at once, press $Y1Y2$ and then use the Variable knob.	 Y1Y2 10.5mV
Remove cursors	Press Cursor to remove the onscreen cursors.	

## Math Operations

The Math operations can add, subtract, multiply or perform FFT/FFT RMS on the input waveforms. The resulted waveform can be measured using the cursors, and saved or recalled just like normal input signals.

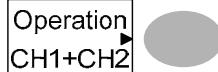
### Overview

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Addition (+)	Adds the amplitude of CH1 & CH2 signals.	
Subtraction (-)	Extracts the amplitude difference between CH1 & CH2.	
Multiplication (x)	Multiplies CH1 and CH2.	
FFT	Performs a FFT calculation on a signal. Four types of FFT windows are available: Hanning, Flattop, Rectangular, and Blackman.	
FFT RMS	Performs a FFT RMS calculation on a signal. RMS is similar to FFT, however the amplitude is calculated as RMS and not dB. Four types of FFT windows are available: Hanning, Flattop, Rectangular, and Blackman.	
Hanning FFT window	Frequency resolution Amplitude resolution Suitable for....	Good Not good Frequency measurement on periodic waveforms
Flattop FFT window	Frequency resolution Amplitude resolution Suitable for....	Not good Good Amplitude measurement on periodic waveforms
Rectangular FFT window	Frequency resolution Amplitude resolution	Very good Bad

	Suitable for....	Single-shot phenomenon (this mode is the same as having no window at all)
Blackman FFT window	Frequency resolution	Bad
	Amplitude resolution	Very good
	Suitable for....	Amplitude measurement on periodic waveforms

## Adding, subtracting or multiplying signals

- Procedure
1. Activate both CH1 and CH2.
  2. Press the Math key.
  3. Press *Operation* repeatedly to select addition (+), subtraction (-) or multiplication (×).
  4. The math measurement result appears in the display.


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  5. To move the math result vertically, use the Variable knob. The position will be displayed in *Posistion*.
  6. To clear the math result from the display, press the Math key again.

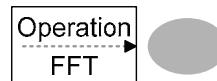

## Using the FFT function

### Procedure

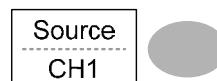
1. Press the Math key.



2. Press *Operation* repeatedly to select FFT or FFT RMS.



3. Press *Source* repeatedly to select the source channel.

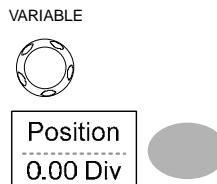


4. Press *Window* repeatedly to select the FFT window type.



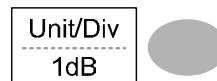
5. The FFT result appears. The horizontal scale changes from time to frequency, and the vertical scale from voltage to dB or RMS.

6. To move the FFT waveform vertically, use the Variable knob. The position will be updated in *Position*.



Range -12.00 Div ~ +12.00 Div

7. To select the vertical scale of FFT waveform, press *Unit/Div(FFT)* or *Volt/Div(FFT RMS)* repeatedly.



Range 1, 2, 5, 10, 20 dB/Div

Voltage Volt/Div

8. To clear the FFT result from the display, press the Math key again.



# CONFIGURATION

The Configuration chapter describes how to configure panel settings to make measurements and observations suited to the application needs.

## Acquisition

The acquisition process samples the analog input signals and converts them into digital format for internal processing. You may select the normal, average, or peak detect acquisition mode.

### Selecting the acquisition mode

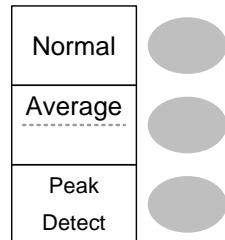
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#### Procedure

1. Press the Acquire key.



2. Select the acquisition mode between *Normal*, *Average* and *Peak Detect*.

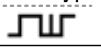
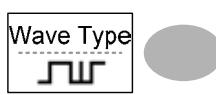


#### Range

#### Normal

All of the acquired data is used to draw the waveform.

Average	Multiple data is averaged to form a waveform. This mode is useful for drawing a noise-free waveform. To select the number, press <i>Average</i> repeatedly.
	Average number: 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256
Peak detect	To activate the Peak detect mode, press <i>Peak-Detect</i> . Only the minimum and maximum value pairs for each acquisition interval (bucket) are used. This mode is useful for catching abnormal glitches in a signal.

- Peak detect effect using the probe comp. waveform
1. One of the probe compensation waveforms can demonstrate the peak detection mode. Connect the probe to the probe compensation output. 
  2. Press the Utility key. 
  3. Press *ProbeComp*. 
  4. Press *Wave Type* and select the  waveform. 
  5. Press the Autoset key. The oscilloscope positions the waveform in the center of the display. 
  6. Press the Acquire key. 

7. Press *Normal*.

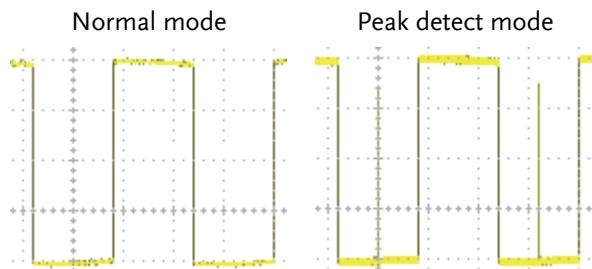


8. Press *Peak-Detect* and see that a spike noise is captured.



#### Example

The peak detect mode reveals the occasional glitch.



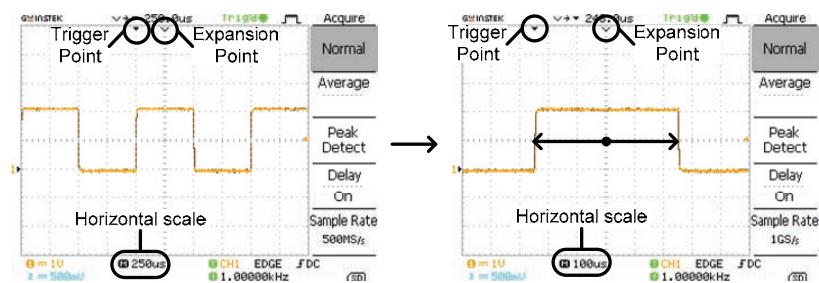
## Selecting Delay mode

### Background

When delay time is ON, the displayed output is delayed for a defined amount of time from the trigger point. Using the delay function is useful for observing an area of the waveform that occurs some time after the trigger point.

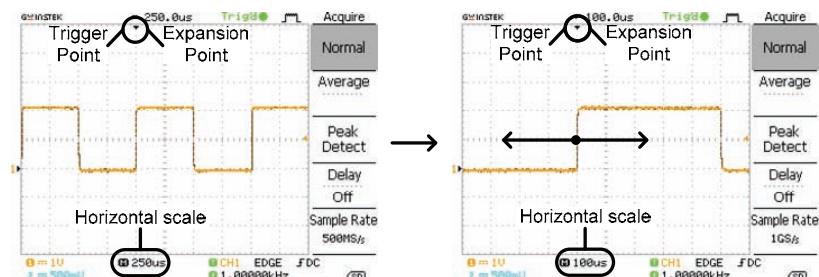
### Delay On

With Delay On the expansion point and trigger point become separated by the amount of delay time. As the delay time is increased the trigger point moves left from the expansion point. When the horizontal scale is adjusted, the waveform expands from the expansion point, not the trigger point.



### Delay Off

With Delay Off the expansion point and trigger point are always in the same position. Thus when the horizontal scale is adjusted, the waveform expands from the trigger point.

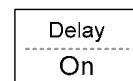


### Procedure

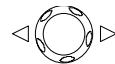
1. Press the Acquire key.



2. Press *Delay On/Off* to toggle Delay On/Off.



3. Use the Horizontal Position knob to increase or decrease the delay time when Delay is set to On.



4. Adjust the horizontal scale to zoom into the waveform.



## Real time vs Equivalent time sampling mode

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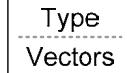
Background	The oscilloscope automatically switches between two sampling modes, Real-time and Equivalent-time, according to the number of active channels and sampling rate.
Real-time sampling	Once sampled data is used to reconstruct a single waveform. Short-time events might get lost if the sampling rate gets too high. This mode is used when the sampling rate is relatively low (1GSa/s or lower).
Equivalent-time sampling	Multiple numbers of sampled data are accumulated to reconstruct a single waveform. ETS restores more waveform detail but takes longer to update the waveform. This mode is used when the sampling rate becomes higher than 1GSa/s. The maximum equivalent-time sampling rate is 25GSa/s.

## Display

The Display section describes how to configure the display settings: drawing type, waveform accumulation, contrast adjustment, and grid settings.

### Selecting vector or dot drawing

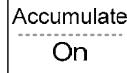
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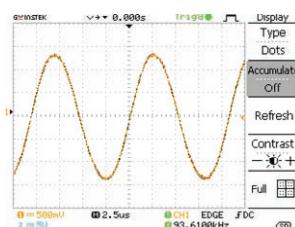
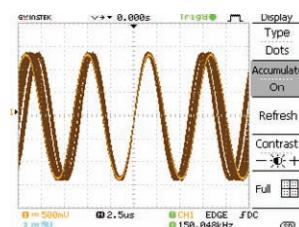
Procedure	1. Press the Display key.  
	2. Press <i>Type</i> repeatedly to select the waveform drawing.   
Types	Dots      Only the sampled dots are displayed.  Vectors      The sampled dots are connected by lines.

### Accumulating the waveform

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Background	Accumulation preserves the old waveform drawings and overwrites new waveforms on top of it. It is useful for observing waveform variation.
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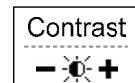
Procedure	1. Press the Display key.  
	2. Press <i>Accumulate</i> to turn on the waveform accumulation.   
	3. To clear the accumulation and start it over (refresh), press <i>Refresh</i> .  

**Example****Accumulation off****Accumulation on****Adjusting the display contrast****Procedure**

1. Press the Display key.



2. Press *Contrast*.



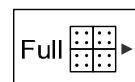
3. Turn the Variable knob left to lower the contrast (dark display) or right to raise the contrast (bright display).

**Selecting the display grid****Procedure**

1. Press the Display key.



2. Press the grid icon repeatedly to select the grid.

**Parameters**

Shows the full grid.



Shows the outer frame and X/Y axis.



Shows only the outer frame.

## Horizontal View

The Horizontal view section describes how to configure the horizontal scale, position, waveform update mode, window zoom, and X-Y mode.

### Moving the waveform position horizontally

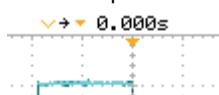
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#### Procedure

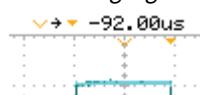
The horizontal position knob moves the waveform left or right. The position indicator at the top of the display shows the center and current position.



Center position



Moving right



### Selecting the horizontal scale

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#### Select horizontal scale

To select the timebase (scale), turn the TIME/DIV knob; left (slow) or right (fast).



#### Range

1ns/Div ~ 50s/Div, 1-2.5-5-10 increment

The timebase indicator at the bottom of the display updates the current horizontal scale.



## Selecting the waveform update mode

Background	The display update mode is switched automatically or manually according to the horizontal scale.				
Main mode	<p>Updates the whole displayed waveform at once. The main mode is automatically selected when the horizontal scale (timebase) is fast.</p> <p>Horizontal scale <math>\leq 100\text{ms/div}</math></p>				
	Trigger All modes available				
Roll mode	<p>Updates and moves the waveform gradually from the right side of the display to the left. The Roll mode is automatically selected when the horizontal scale (timebase) is 250ms or slower.</p> <p>When in the Roll mode, an indicator appears at the bottom of the display. When in roll mode the record length is 2M (1 channel) or 1M (2 channel).</p>				
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Main mode	Roll mode				
	<p>Timebase <math>\geq 250\text{ms/div} (\leq 250\text{KS/s})</math></p> <p>Trigger Auto mode only</p>				

- Selecting the Roll mode manually
1. Press the Horizontal menu key.
  2. Press *Roll*. The horizontal scale automatically becomes 250ms/div and the waveform starts scrolling from the right side of the display (If the oscilloscope is already in the Roll mode, there will be no change).

## Zooming the waveform horizontally

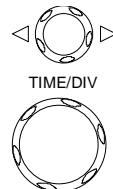
Procedure/ range 1. Press the Horizontal Menu key.



2. Press *Window*.



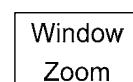
3. Use the horizontal position knob to move the zoom range sideways, and TIME/DIV knob to change the zoom range width.



The width of the bar in the middle of the display is the actual zoomed area.

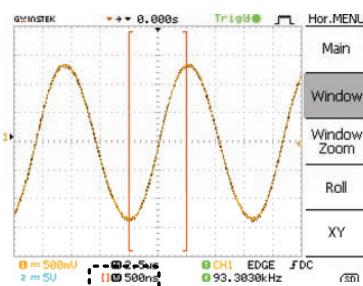
Zoom range 1ns ~ 25s

4. Press *Window Zoom*. The specified range gets zoomed.



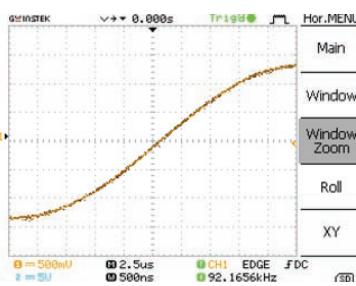
### Example

#### Setting the zoom width



Zoom width

#### Zooming in



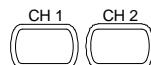
## Viewing waveforms in the X-Y mode

### Background

The X-Y mode compares the voltage of Channel 1 and Channel 2 waveforms in a single display. This mode is useful for observing the phase relationship between the two waveforms.

### Procedure

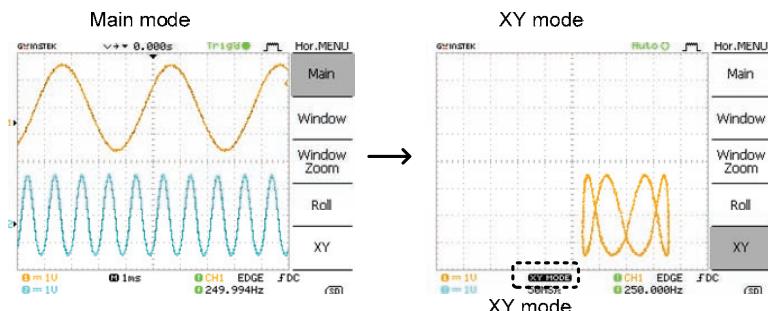
1. Connect the signals to Channel 1 (X-axis) and Channel 2 (Y-axis).
2. Make sure both Channel 1 and 2 are activated.
3. Press the Horizontal key.
4. Press XY. The display shows two waveforms in X-Y format; Channel 1 as X-axis, Channel 2 as Y-axis.



### Adjusting the X-Y mode waveform

Horizontal position	CH1 Position knob
Horizontal scale	CH1 Volts/Div knob
Vertical position	CH2 Position knob
Vertical scale	CH2 Volts/Div knob

### Example



## Horizontal Adjustment Menu

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### Background

The horizontal adjustment menu allows markers to be set at different times relative to the Horizontal position marker at 0 seconds. Each marker is linked to the mark directly before and after (in time). There can be up to 30 markers linked together.

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1. Press the Horizontal menu key twice to enter the horizontal adjustment menu



2. Press *H Pos Adj* to toggle between coarse and fine adjustments.



3. Adjust the horizontal position with the horizontal position knob.



### Set marker

4. Press *Set/Clear* to create a marker at the current horizontal position.



### Delete marker

5. If there is already a marker at the current horizontal position press *Set/Clear* to delete the current marker.



### Reset horizontal position

6. Press *Reset* to reset the horizontal position to 0 seconds when the trigger is running, or to the last position before the trigger was stopped.



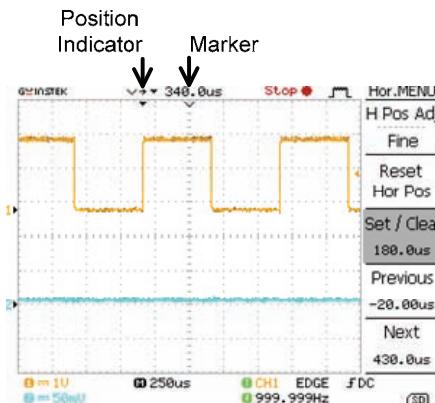
Navigate markers 7. Press *Previous* to go to the previous marker.

Previous  
180.0uS



8. Press *Next* to go to the next marker.

Next  
340.0uS



## Vertical View (Channel)

The Vertical view section describes how to set the vertical scale, position, bandwidth limitation, coupling mode, and attenuation.

### Moving the waveform position vertically

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Procedure To move the waveform up or down, turn the vertical position knob for each channel.



### Selecting the vertical scale

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Procedure To change the vertical scale, turn the VOLTS/DIV knob; left (down) or right (up).



Range 2mV/Div ~ 10V/Div, 1-2-5 increments

### Selecting the coupling mode

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Procedure 1. Press the Channel key.



2. Press *Coupling* repeatedly to select the coupling mode.



Range



DC coupling mode. The whole portion (AC and DC) of the signal appears on the display.



Ground coupling mode. The display shows only the zero voltage level as a horizontal line. This mode is useful for measuring the signal amplitude with respect to the ground level.



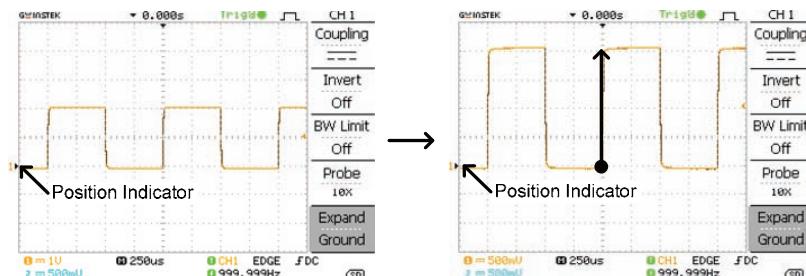
AC coupling mode. Only the AC portion of the signal appears on the display. This mode is useful for observing AC waveforms mixed with DC components.

## Expand Vertical Scale Center / Ground

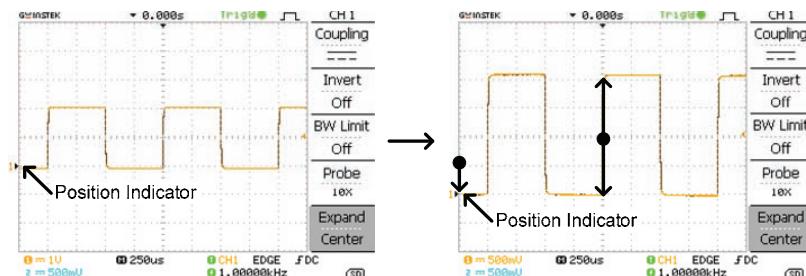
### Background

Normally when the vertical scale is increased, the scaled image is centered from ground. However a signal with a voltage bias could be obscured when the vertical scale is increased. The Expand Center function expands the image from the center of the signal, rather than ground.

### Expand Ground



### Expand Center



## Procedure

1. Press the Channel key.



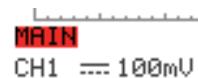
2. Press F5 to toggle between Expand Center and Expand Ground.



3. To change the vertical scale, turn the VOLTS/DIV knob; left (down) or right (up).



The vertical scale indicator on the bottom left of the display changes accordingly.



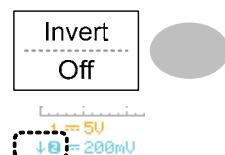
## Inverting the waveform vertically

## Procedure

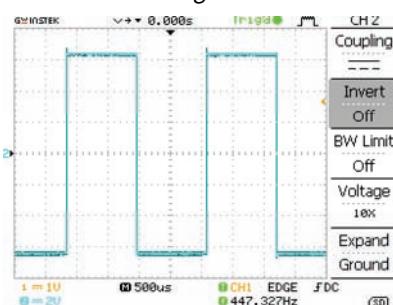
1. Press the Channel key.



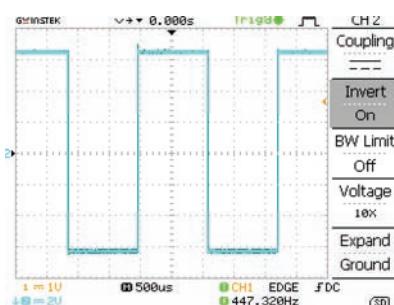
2. Press *Invert*. The waveform becomes inverted (upside down) and the Channel indicator in the display shows a down arrow.



Original



Inverted



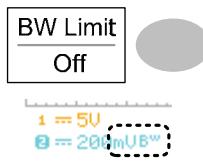
## Limiting the waveform bandwidth

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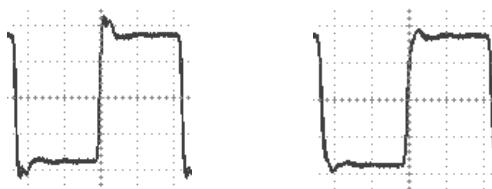
**Background** Bandwidth limitation puts the input signal into a 20MHz (-3dB) low-pass filter. This function is useful for cutting off high frequency noise to see the clear waveform shape.

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- Procedure**
1. Press the Channel key.  

  2. Press *BW Limit* to turn on or off the limitation. When turned on, the BW indicator appears next to the Channel indicator in the display.  
  
1 == 5V  
2 == 20MHz BW
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**Example**      **BW Limit Off**      **BW Limit On**



## Probe attenuation level and type

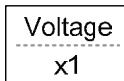
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**Background** The probe can be set to either voltage or current. A signal probe has an attenuation switch to lower the original DUT signal level to the oscilloscope input range, if necessary. The probe attenuation selection adjusts the vertical scale so that the voltage or current level on the display reflects the real value, not the attenuated level.

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- Procedure**
1. Press the Channel key.  


2. Press *F4* repeatedly to select voltage or current probes.



3. Use the variable knob to edit the voltage or current attenuation.

VARIABLE



4. The voltage/current scale in the channel indicator changes accordingly. There is no change in the waveform shape.

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Range	x0.1~x2000 (1-2-5 steps)
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Note: The attenuation factor adds no influence on the real signal; it only changes the voltage/current scale on the display.

## Trigger

The Trigger function configures the conditions by which the oscilloscope captures the incoming signals.

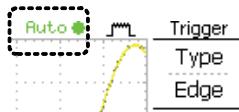
### Trigger type

Edge	Triggers when the signal crosses an amplitude threshold in either a positive or negative slope.				
Video	Extracts a sync pulse from a video format signal and triggers on a specific line or field.				
Pulse	Triggers when the pulse width of the signal matches the trigger settings.				
Indicators	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; width: 50%;"> <b>Edge/Pulse</b>       </td> <td style="text-align: center; width: 50%;"> <b>Video</b>       </td> </tr> <tr> <td>(CH1, Edge, Rising edge, DC coupling)</td> <td>(CH1, Video, Positive polarity, NTSC standard)</td> </tr> </table>	<b>Edge/Pulse</b>    	<b>Video</b>    	(CH1, Edge, Rising edge, DC coupling)	(CH1, Video, Positive polarity, NTSC standard)
<b>Edge/Pulse</b>    	<b>Video</b>    				
(CH1, Edge, Rising edge, DC coupling)	(CH1, Video, Positive polarity, NTSC standard)				

### Trigger parameter

Trigger source	CH1, 2	Channel 1, 2 input signals
	Line	AC mains signal
	Ext	External trigger input signal
		
Trigger mode	Auto	The oscilloscope updates the input signal regardless of the trigger conditions (if there is no trigger event, the oscilloscope generates an internal trigger). Select this mode especially when viewing rolling waveforms at a slow timebase.

The Auto trigger status appears in the upper right corner of the display.



Single	The oscilloscope acquires the input signals once when a trigger event occurs, then stops acquiring. Pressing the Single key again will repeat the process.	
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The Single trigger status appears in the upper right corner of the display.



Normal	The oscilloscope acquires and updates the input signals only when a trigger event occurs.
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The Normal trigger status appears in the upper right corner of the display.



Holdoff	The holdoff function defines the waiting period before GDS-1000A starts triggering again after a trigger point. The Holdoff function ensures a stable display.
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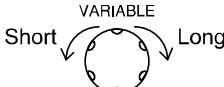
Video standard (video trigger)	NTSC	National Television System Committee
	PAL	Phase Alternative by Line
	SECAM	SEquential Couleur A Mémoire

Sync polarity (video trigger)		Positive polarity
		Negative polarity

Video line (video trigger)	Selects the trigger point in the video signal.
field	1 or 2

line	1~263 for NTSC, 1~313 for PAL/SECAM		
Pulse condition (pulse trigger)	Sets the pulse width (20ns ~ 10s) and the triggering condition.		
>	Longer than	=	Equal to
<	Shorter than	≠	Not equal to
Trigger slope	 Triggers on the rising edge.  Triggers on the falling edge.		
Trigger coupling	AC	Triggers only on AC component.	
	DC	Triggers on AC+DC component.	
Frequency rejection	LF	Puts a high-pass filter and rejects the frequency below 50kHz.	
	HF	Puts a low-pass filter and rejects the frequency above 50kHz.	
Noise rejection	Rejects noise signals.		
Trigger level		Using the trigger level knob moves the trigger point up or down.	

## Configuring Holdoff

Background	The Holdoff function defines the waiting period before GDS-1000A starts triggering again after the trigger point. The holdoff function is especially useful for waveforms with two or more repetitive frequencies or periods that can be triggered.
Panel operation	<p>1. Press the Trigger menu key twice.</p>  <p>2. To set the Holdoff time, use the Variable knob. The resolution depends on the horizontal scale.</p>  <p>Range      40ns~2.5s</p>

Pressing *Set to Minimum* sets the Holdoff time to the minimum, 40ns.

Holdoff  
40.0ns



Note: The holdoff function is automatically disabled when the waveform update mode is in Roll mode.

## Configuring the edge trigger

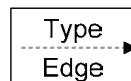
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### Procedure

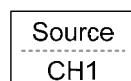
1. Press the Trigger menu key.



2. Press *Type* repeatedly to select edge trigger.

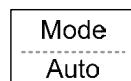


3. Press *Source* repeatedly to select the trigger source.



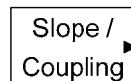
Range      Channel 1, 2, Line, Ext

4. Press *Mode* repeatedly to select the Auto or Normal trigger mode. To select the single trigger mode, press the Single key.



Range      Auto, Normal

5. Press *Slope/coupling* to enter into the trigger slope and coupling selection menu.



6. Press *Slope* repeatedly to select the trigger slope, rising or falling edge.



Range      Rising edge, falling edge

7. Press *Coupling* repeatedly to select the trigger coupling, DC or AC.

Coupling  
-----  
AC

Range DC, AC

8. Press *Rejection* to select the frequency rejection mode.

Rejection  
-----  
Off

Range LF, HF, Off

9. Press *Noise Rej* to turn the noise rejection on or off.

Noise Rej  
-----  
Off

Range On, Off

10. Press *Previous menu* to go back to the previous menu.

Previous  
Menu

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## Configuring the video trigger

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### Procedure

1. Press the Trigger menu key.

MENU  


2. Press *Type* repeatedly to select video trigger. The video trigger indicator appears at the bottom of the display.

Type  
-----  
Video  


3. Press *Source* repeatedly to select the trigger source channel.

Source  
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CH1  

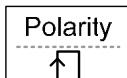

Range Channel 1, 2

4. Press *Standard* repeatedly to select the video standard.



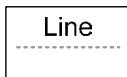
Range      NTSC, PAL, SECAM

5. Press *Polarity* repeatedly to select the video signal polarity.



Range      positive, negative

6. Press *Line* repeatedly to select the video field line. Use the Variable knob to select the video line.



Field      1, 2

Video line    NTSC: 1 ~ 262 (Even), 1 ~ 263 (Odd)  
                  PAL/SECAM: 1 ~ 312 (Even),  
                  1 ~ 313 (Odd)

## Configuring the pulse width trigger

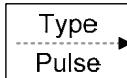
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### Procedure

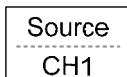
1. Press the Trigger menu key.



2. Press *Type* repeatedly to select pulse width trigger. The pulse width trigger indicator appears at the bottom of the display.



3. Press *Source* repeatedly to select the trigger source.



Range      Channel 1, 2, Ext

4. Press *Mode* repeatedly to select the trigger mode, Auto or Normal. To select the Single trigger mode, press the Single key.

Mode  
-----  
Auto



Range      Auto, Normal

5. Press *When* repeatedly to select the pulse condition. Then use the Variable knob to set the pulse width.

When <  
-----  
20.0ns

VARIABLE



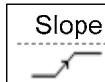
Condition >, <, =, ≠

Width      20ns ~ 10s

6. Press *Slope/Coupling* to set trigger slope and coupling.

Slope /  
Coupling

7. Press *Slope* repeatedly to select the trigger slope, which also appears at the bottom of the display.



Range      Rising edge, falling edge

8. Press *Coupling* repeatedly to select the trigger coupling.

Coupling  
-----  
AC

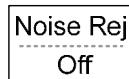
Range      DC, AC

9. Press *Rejection* to select the frequency rejection mode.

Rejection  
-----  
Off

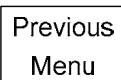
Range      LF, HF, Off

10. Press *Noise Rej* to turn the noise rejection on or off.



Range      On, Off

11. Press *Previous menu* to go back to the previous menu.



## Manually triggering the signal



Note: This section describes how to manually trigger the input signals when the oscilloscope does not capture them. This section applies to the Normal and Single trigger mode, since in the Auto trigger mode, the oscilloscope keeps updating the input signal regardless of the trigger conditions.

To acquire the signal regardless of trigger conditions

To acquire the input signal regardless of the trigger condition, press the Force key. The oscilloscope captures the signals once.



In the Single trigger mode

Press the Single key to start waiting for the trigger condition. To break out of the Single mode, press the Run/Stop key. The trigger mode changes to the Normal mode.

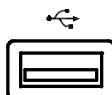


## USB Port Interface

The USB port can be set to auto detect, however occasionally the USB host type cannot be detected. The USB Port function allows the USB host type to be manually or automatically set.

USB connection	PC / Printer end	Type A, host
	GDS-1000A end	Type B, slave
Speed		1.1/2.0 (full speed)

- Procedure
1. Connect the USB cable to the USB slave port on the GDS-1000A.  

  2. Insert the other end of the USB cable into the PC or Printer USB port.  

  3. Press the Utility key.  

  4. Press More (F5).  

  5. Press *USB Port* repeatedly to set the host device .  

- Range      Printer, PC, Auto Detect

## Remote Control Interface

The Remote control interface section describes how to set up the USB interface for PC connection. Remote control command details are described in the GDS-1000A Programming Manual. Note that printing to a PictBridge compatible printer and remote control cannot be supported at the same time as the same USB port is used.

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USB connection	PC / Printer end	Type A, host
	GDS-1000A end	Type B, slave
Speed		1.1/2.0 (full speed)

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- |           |   |
|-----------|---|
| Procedure | 1. Connect the USB cable to<br>the USB slave port.<br><br>   |
|           | 2. The USB port may need to<br>be configured if the USB<br>port is not automatically<br>detected.<br><br>Page89   |
|           | 3. When the PC asks for the USB driver, select<br>dso_cdc_1000.inf (Windows XP) or<br>dso_vista_cdc.inf (Vista 32bit) which are<br>downloadable from the GW website,<br><a href="http://www.gwinstek.com">www.gwinstek.com</a> , GDS-1000A product<br>corner.<br><br>Page89 |
|           | 4. On the PC, activate a terminal application such<br>as MTTTY (Multi-Threaded TTY). To check the<br>COM port No., see the Device Manager in the<br>PC. For WindowsXP, select Control panel →<br>System → Hardware tab.<br><br>Page89                                       |

5. Run this query command via the terminal application.  
\*idn?  
This command should return the manufacturer, model number, serial number, and firmware version in the following format.  
GW, GDS-1152A, XXXXXX, V1.00
  
6. Configuring the command interface is complete. Refer to the programming manual for the remote commands and other details.

## System Settings

The system settings show the oscilloscope's system information and allow changing the language.

### Viewing the system information

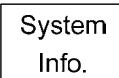
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#### Procedure

1. Press the Utility key.



2. Press *System Info*. The upper half of the display shows the following information.



- Manufacturer
- Model
- Serial number
- Firmware version
- Web address

3. Press any other key to go back to the waveform display mode.



### Selecting the language

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#### Parameter

Language selection differs according to the region to which the oscilloscope is shipped.

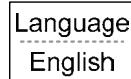
- English
- Chinese (traditional)
- Chinese (simplified)
- Japanese
- Korean
- French
- German
- Russian
- Portuguese
- Italian
- Polish
- Spanish

**Procedure**

1. Press the Utility key.



2. Press *Language* repeatedly to select the language.



# SAVE/RECALL

The save function allows saving display images, waveform data, and panel settings into the oscilloscope's internal memory or an external SD card. The recall function allows recalling the default factory settings, waveform data, and panel settings from the oscilloscope's internal memory or an external SD card.

## File Structures

Three types of file are available: display image, waveform file, and panel settings.

### Display image file format

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Format	xxxx.bmp (Windows bitmap format)
Contents	The current display image in 234 x 320 pixels, color mode. The background color can be inverted (Ink saver function).

### Waveform file format

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Format	xxxx.csv (Comma-separated values format which can be opened in spreadsheet applications such as Microsoft Excel)  Files can be saved as two different types of CSV formats. The GDS-1000A can recall any of the two formats
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	Detail	Contains the waveform amplitude and time of each point (4k/1M/2M) relative to the trigger point.
	Fast	Only contains the waveform amplitude data for each point (4k/1M/2M).
Waveform type	CH1, 2	Input channel signal
	Math	Math operation result (page59)
Storage location	Internal memory	The oscilloscope's internal memory, which can hold 15 waveforms.
	External SD/SDHC card	An SD/SDHC card (FAT or FAT32 format) can hold practically an unlimited number of waveforms.
	Ref A, B	Two reference waveforms are used as a buffer to recall a waveform in the display. You have to save a waveform into internal memory or an SD card, then copy the waveform into the reference waveform slot (A or B), and then recall the reference waveform into the display.
Waveform Memory Depth	<p>The memory depth is limited to 1 M points when both channels are activated or 2M points when only a single channel is activated. The signal must be triggered / stopped to have access to the full memory depth. Therefore when a signal is saved the waveform will be automatically stopped if it is not manually triggered / stopped first.</p> <p>There are a number of conditions when all of the available memory is not utilized due to a limited number of different sample rates. This can be caused by an un-triggered signal, or a time/div setting that is too fast to display all the points on screen.</p>	



Note: 2M point memory lengths are only available for time bases slower than 10ns/div on a single channel, and 1 M point memory lengths are only available for time bases slower than 25ns/div on two channels.

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**Waveform file  
contents: other  
data**

A waveform file also includes the following information.

- Memory Length
- Source
- Vertical Units
- Vertical Position
- Horizontal Scale
- Horizontal Mode
- Firmware
- Mode
- Trigger Level
- Probe
- Vertical Scale
- Horizontal Units
- Horizontal Position
- Sampling Period
- Time
- Waveform Data

## Setup file format

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Format	xxxx.set (proprietary format)	
A setup file saves or recalls the following settings.		
Contents	Acquire	• mode
	Cursor	• source channel      • cursor on/off • cursor location
	Display	• dots/vectors      • accumulation on/off • grid type
	Measure	• item
	Utility	• hardcopy type      • ink saver on/off • language
	Horizontal	• display mode      • scale • position
	Trigger	• trigger type      • source channel • trigger mode      • video standard • video polarity      • video line • pulse timing      • slope/coupling
Channel (vertical)		• vertical scale      • vertical position • coupling mode      • invert on/off • bandwidth limit      • voltage/current on/off (probe)
	Math	• operation type      • source channel • vertical position      • unit/div • FFT window

## Using the SD card file utilities

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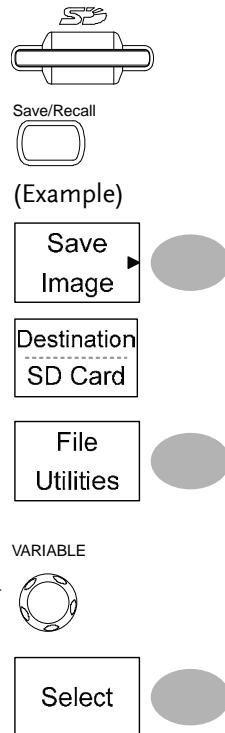
**Background** When an SD card is inserted into the oscilloscope, file utilities (file deletion, folder creation and file/folder renaming) are available from the front panel.

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**SD Card restriction** The GDS-1000A series accepts the following SD cards:  
Type: SD, SDHC  
Class: 2,4,6  
Size: Up to 32GB (SDHC)  
Format: FAT or FAT32

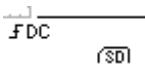
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- Procedure**
1. Insert an SD card into the card slot.
  2. Press the Save/Recall key. Select any save or recall function. For example SD card destination in the Save image function.
  3. Press *File Utilities*. The display shows the SD card contents.
  4. Use the Variable knob to move the cursor. Press *Select* to go into the folder or go back to the previous directory level.



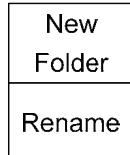
**SD card indicator** When an SD card is inserted into the oscilloscope, an indicator appears at the right bottom corner of the display. (The SD card shouldn't be removed when a file is saved or retrieved from the SD card).

SD card

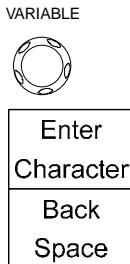


**Creating a new folder / renaming a file or folder**

- Move the cursor to the file or folder location and press *New Folder* or *Rename*. The file/folder name and the character map will appear on the display.



- Use the Variable knob to move the pointer to the characters. Press *Enter Character* to add a character or *Back Space* to delete a character.



- When editing is complete, press *Save*. The new/renamed file or folder will be saved.



**Deleting a folder or file**

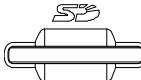
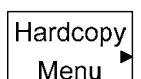
- Move the cursor to the folder or file location and press *Delete*. The message "Press F4 again to confirm this process" appears at the bottom of the display.



2. If the file/folder still needs to be deleted, press *Delete* again to complete the deletion. To cancel the deletion, press any other key.

Delete

## Quick Save (HardCopy)

Background	The Hardcopy key works as a shortcut for printing screen images directly to a printer or to save display images, waveform data, and panel settings onto an SD card.	 Hardcopy
	The Hardcopy key can be configured into three types of operations: save image, save all (image, waveform, setup) and printer.	
	Using the Save/Recall key can also save files with more options. For details, see page103.	 Save/Recall
Functionalities	<p>Save image (*.bmp) Saves the current display image into an SD card.</p> <p>Save all Saves the following items into an SD card.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current display image (*.bmp)</li> <li>• Current system settings (*.set)</li> <li>• Current waveform data (*.csv)</li> </ul>	
SD Card restriction	The GDS-1000A series accepts the following SD cards:  Type: SD, SDHC Class: 2,4,6 Size: Up to 32GB (SDHC) Format: FAT or FAT32	
Procedure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Insert an SD card to the slot.</li> <li>2. Press the Utility key.</li> <li>3. Press Hardcopy Menu.</li> </ol>	 SD  Utility  Hardcopy Menu

4. Press *Function* repeatedly to select *Save Image* or *Save All*.

Function  
Save All



5. To invert the color in the display image, press *Ink Saver*. This turns Ink Saver on or off.

Ink Saver  
Off



6. Press *Mem Leng* repeatedly to select *SD Normal* or *SD 1M/2M*. SD Normal and SD 1M/2M sets the waveforms to a 4k and 1M/2M memory length when saving, respectively.

Mem Leng  
SD Normal



1M memory length is available when both CH1 and CH2 are active; 2M memory length is available when a single channel is active only.

7. Press the Hardcopy key. The file or folder will be saved to the root directory of the SD card.

Hardcopy



## Save

This section describes how to save data using the Save/Recall menu.

### File type/source/destination

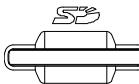
Item	Source	Destination
Panel setup (xxxx.set)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Panel settings</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Internal memory: S1 ~ S15</li><li>• External memory: SD card</li></ul>
Waveform data (xxxx.csv)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Channel 1, 2</li><li>• Math operation result</li><li>• Reference waveform A, B</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Internal memory: W1 ~ W15</li><li>• Reference waveform A, B</li><li>• External memory: SD card</li></ul>
Display image (xxxx.bmp)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Display image</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• External memory: SD card</li></ul>
Save All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Display image (xxxx.bmp)</li><li>• Waveform data (xxxx.csv)</li><li>• Panel settings (xxxx.set)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• External memory: SD card</li></ul>
SD Card restriction	<p>The GDS-1000A series accepts the following SD cards:</p> <p>Type: SD, SDHC</p> <p>Class: 2,4,6</p> <p>Size: Up to 32GB (SDHC)</p> <p>Format: FAT or FAT32</p>	

## Saving the panel settings

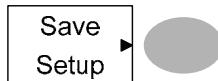
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### Procedure

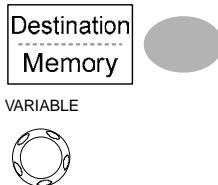
1. (For saving to an external SD card) Insert the card into the slot.



2. Press the Save/Recall key twice to access the Save menu.
3. Press *Save Setup*.



4. Press *Destination* repeatedly to select the saved location. Use the Variable knob to change the internal memory location (S1 ~ S15).



Memory Internal memory, S1 ~ S15

SD card External card, no practical limitation for the amount of file. When saved, the setup file will be placed in the root directory.

5. Press *Save* to confirm saving. When completed, a message appears at the bottom of the display.



Note

The file will not be saved if the power is turned off or the SD card is disconnected before completion.

## File utilities

To edit SD card contents (create/ delete/ rename files and folders), press *File Utilities*.  
For details, see page98.

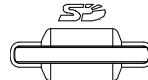
File  
Utilities



## Saving the waveform

## Procedure

1. (For saving to an external SD card) Insert the card into the slot.



2. Press the Save/Recall key twice to access the Save menu.



3. Press *Save Waveform*.



4. Press *Source*. Use the Variable knob to select the source signal.



VARIABLE

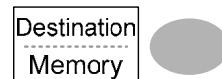


CH1 ~ CH2 Channel 1 ~ 2 signal

Math Math operation result (page59)

RefA, B Internally stored reference waveforms A, B

5. Press *Destination* repeatedly to select the file destination. Use the Variable knob to select the memory location.



VARIABLE



Memory Internal memory, W1 ~ W15

SD Normal	Save to the SD card with a 4k waveform memory length.
SD 1M	Save to the SD card with a 1M waveform memory length. For 2 channel operation only.
SD 2M	Save to the SD card with a 2M waveform memory length. For single channel operation only.
Ref	Internal reference waveform, A/B

6. Press *Save* to confirm saving. When completed, a message appears at the bottom of the display.

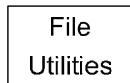
 SaveNote 

The file will not be saved if the power is turned off or the SD card is disconnected before completion.

It takes approximately 1 min to save a 2M waveform to the SD card in fast mode. Detailed mode may take over 10 times longer depending on the speed of the SD card.

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File utilities To edit SD card contents (create/ delete/ rename files and folders), press *File Utilities*. For details, see page98.

 File Utilities

## Saving the display image

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Background Saving the display image can be used as a screen capture or it can be used as a reference waveform.

Procedure 1. (For saving to an external SD card) Insert the card into the slot.



2. Press the Save/Recall key twice to access the Save menu.



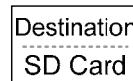
3. Press *Save Image*.



4. Press *Ink Saver* repeatedly to invert the background color (on) or not (off).



5. Press *Destination*.



SD card      External card, no practical limitation on the amount of files.  
When saved, the image file will be placed in the root directory.

6. Press *Save* to confirm saving. When completed, a message appears at the bottom of the display.



Note

The file will not be saved if the power is turned off or the SD card is disconnected before completion.

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#### File utilities

To edit SD card contents (create/ delete/ rename files and folders), press *File Utilities*.  
For details, see page98.

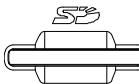


## Saving all (panel settings, display image, waveform)

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### Procedure

1. (For saving to an external SD card) Insert the card into the slot.



2. Press the Save/Recall key twice to access the Save menu.



3. Press *Save All*. The following information will be saved.



Setup file  
(Axxxx.set)

Two types of setups are saved: the current panel setting and the last internally saved settings (one of S1 ~ S15).

Display image  
(Axxxx.bmp)

The current display image in the bitmap format.

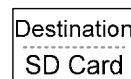
Waveform data  
(Axxxx.csv)

Two types of waveform data are saved: the currently active channel data and the last internally saved data (one of W1 ~ W15).

4. Press *Ink Saver* repeatedly to invert the background color (on) or not (off) for the display image.



5. Press *Destination*.



SD Normal Save to the SD card with a 4k waveform memory length.

SD 1M      Save to the SD card with a 1M waveform memory length. For 2 channel operation only.

SD 2M      Save to the SD card with a 2M waveform memory length. For single channel operation only.

6. Press *Save* to confirm saving. When completed, a message appears at the bottom of the display.

Note 

The file will not be saved if the power is turned off or the SD card is disconnected before completion.

It takes approximately 1 min to save a 2M waveform to the SD card in fast mode. Detailed mode may take over 10 times longer depending on the speed of the SD card.

7. Together with the current setup/waveform/ image, the last saved waveform file (one from W1 ~ W15) and setup file (one from S1 ~ S15) are also included in the folder.
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File utilities

To edit SD card contents (create/ delete/ rename files and folders), press *File Utilities*.  
For details, see page98.

File  
Utilities

## Recall

### File type/source/destination

Item	Source	Destination
Default panel setup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Factory installed setting</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Current front panel</li></ul>
Reference waveform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Internal memory: A, B</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Current front panel</li></ul>
Panel setup (DSxxxx.set)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Internal memory: S1 ~ S15</li><li>External memory: SD card</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Current front panel</li></ul>
Waveform data (DSxxxx.csv)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Internal memory: W1 ~ W15</li><li>External memory: SD card</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Reference waveform A, B</li></ul>
SD Card restriction	The GDS-1000A series accepts the following SD cards: Type: SD, SDHC Class: 2,4,6 Size: Up to 32GB (SDHC) Format: FAT or FAT32	

## Recalling the default panel settings

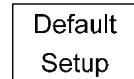
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**Procedure**

1. Press the Save/Recall key.



2. Press *Default Setup*. The factory installed setting will be recalled.



**Setting contents** The following is the default panel setting contents.

Acquisition	Mode: Normal	
Channel	Coupling: DC	Invert: Off
	BW limit: Off	voltage: x1
Cursor	Source: CH1	Horizontal: None
	Vertical: None	
Display	Type: Vectors	Accumulate: Off
	Graticule:  A small square icon containing a 4x4 grid of dots.	
Horizontal	Scale: 2.5us/Div	Mode: Main Timebase
	H Pos Adj: Fine	Hor Pos: 0
Math	Type: + (Add)	Channel: CH1+CH2
	Position: 0.00 Div	Unit/Div: 2V
Measure	Item: Vpp, Vavg, Frequency, Duty cycle, Rise Time	
Trigger	Type: Edge	Source: Channel1
	Mode: Auto	Slope:  An icon showing a line with a positive slope.
	Coupling: DC	Rejection: Off
	Noise Rejection: Off	
Utility	SaveImage, InkSaver Off	

## Recalling a reference waveform to the display

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### Procedure

1. The reference waveform must be stored in advance. See page 105 for details.
2. Press the Save/Recall key.



3. Press *Display Refs*. The reference waveform display menu appears.



4. Select the reference waveform, *Ref A* or *Ref B*, and press it. The waveform appears on the display and the period and amplitude of the waveform appears in the menu.



5. To clear the waveform from the display, press *RefA/B* again.



## Recalling panel settings

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### Procedure

1. (For recalling from an external SD card) Insert the card into the slot.
2. Press the Save/Recall key.



3. Press *Recall Setup*.

Recall  
Setup

4. Press *Source* repeatedly to select the file source, internal or external memory. Use the Variable knob to change the memory.

Source  
Memory

VARIABLE



Memory Internal memory, S1 ~ S15

SD card External card, no practical limitation on the amount of file. The setup file must be placed in the root directory to be recognized.

5. Press *Recall* to confirm recalling. When completed, a message appears at the bottom of the display.

Recall

Note

The file will not be recalled if the power is turned Off or the SD card is disconnected before completion.

#### File utilities

To edit SD card contents (create/ delete/ rename files and folders), press *File Utilities*. For details, see page98.

File  
Utilities

## Recalling a waveform

#### Procedure

- (For recalling from an external SD card) Insert the card into the slot.
- Press the Save/Recall key.



Save/Recall

3. Press *Recall Waveform*. The display shows the available source and destination options.

Recall  
Waveform

4. Press *Source* repeatedly to select the file source, internal memory or external SD card. Use the Variable knob to change the memory location (W1 ~ W15).

Source  
Memory

VARIABLE



Memory

Internal memory, W1 ~ W15

SD card

External flash drive, no practical limitation on the amount of files. The waveform file must be placed in the root directory to be recognized.

5. Press *Destination*. Use the Variable knob to select the memory location.

Destination

VARIABLE



RefA, B

Internally stored reference waveforms A, B

6. Press *Recall* to confirm recalling. When completed, a message appears at the bottom of the display.

Recall

Note !

The file will not be recalled if the power is turned off or the SD card is disconnected before completion.

**File utilities**

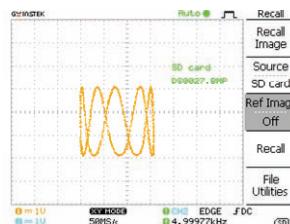
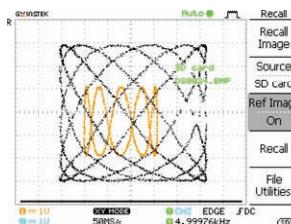
To edit the SD card contents (create/ delete/ rename files and folders), press *File Utilities*. For details, see page98.

**File  
Utilities**

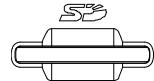
**Recall Image****Background**

Recall Image is useful for recalling reference images that would not be possible using the Recall Waveform function, such as in X-Y mode. Using the Recall Image function will superimpose the reference image on the screen.

Before recalling an image, an image must first be saved to an SD card, see page106.

**Reference off****Reference on****Procedure**

1. Insert an SD card into the slot to recall from SD memory.
2. Press the Save/Recall key.
3. Press *Recall Image*. The display shows the available source and destination options.



**Recall  
Image**

4. Use the Variable knob to choose a file name (DSXXXX.BMP).

VARIABLE



SD card

The image file must be placed in the root directory to be recognized.

5. Press *Recall* to confirm recalling. When completed, a message appears at the bottom of the display.

A rectangular button labeled "Recall".

6. Press *Reference Image* to turn on / off the current image.

A rectangular button with two options: "Ref Image" above a dashed line and "Off" below it.

Note !

The file will not be recalled if the power is turned off or the SD card is disconnected before completion.

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## File utilities

To edit the SD card contents (create/ delete/ rename files and folders), press *File Utilities*. For details, see page98.

A rectangular button labeled "File Utilities".

# PRINT

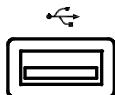
The GDS-1000A is able to print screen images directly to a PictBridge compatible printer. The printed images can use the “Ink Saver” feature to print onto a white rather than a black background to reduce the amount of ink used. Note that printing and remote control cannot be used at the same time.

## Print (Hardcopy)

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Background	The Hardcopy key works as a shortcut for printing screen images directly to a printer or to save display images, waveform data, and panel settings onto an SD card.	
	 The Hardcopy key can be configured into three types of operations: save image, save all (image, waveform, setup) and printer.	
USB connection	Printer end	Type A, host
	GDS-1000A end	Type B, slave
	Speed	1.1/2.0 (full speed)
Procedure	<hr/> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Connect the USB cable to the USB slave port on the GDS-1000A rear panel.</li></ol> 	

2. Insert the other end of the USB cable into the printer USB port.



3. Press the Utility key.



4. Press *More* (F5).



5. Press *USB Port* repeatedly to set the USB Port to Printer.



6. Press the Utility key.



7. Press *Hardcopy Menu*.



8. Press *Function* repeatedly to select *Printer*.



9. To invert the color in the display image, press *Ink Saver*. This turns Ink Saver on or off.



10. To change the default page size, press *Page Size*.

Page Size  
Default

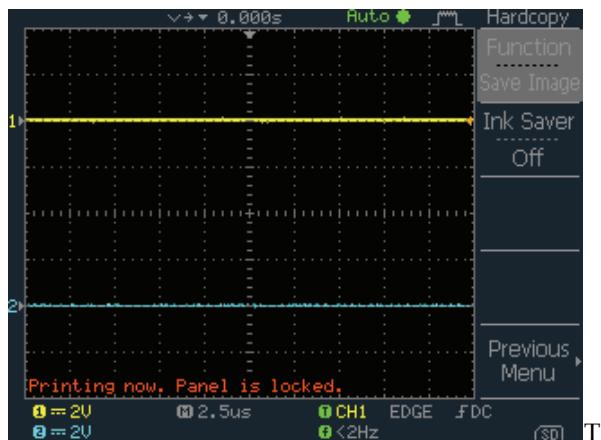
Default      Default printer page setting.

4 X 6      4 X 6 inches

A4      Standard A4 size

11. Press the Hardcopy key.

The current screen image will be printed to the printer.



The Hardcopy key can be used to print to a printer each time until it is configured otherwise.



Note: If the error message “Printer Not Ready” is displayed, please check to ensure the printer is turned on, the USB cable is properly connected, and that the printer is ready.

# MAINTENANCE

Two types of maintenance operations are available: calibrating the vertical resolution, and compensating the probe. Run these operations when using the oscilloscope in a new environment.

## Vertical Resolution Calibration

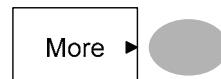
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### Procedure

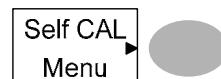
1. Press the Utility key.



2. Press *More*.



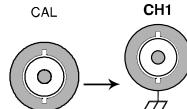
3. Press *Self Cal Menu*.



4. Press *Vertical*. The message "*Set CAL to CH1, then press F5*" appears at the bottom of the display.

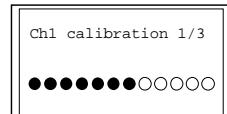


5. Connect the calibration signal between the rear panel CAL out terminal and the Channel1 input.



6. Press F5. The calibration automatically starts.

7. The Channel1 calibration will complete in less than 5 minutes.



8. When finished, connect the calibration signal to the Channel 2 input and repeat the procedure.

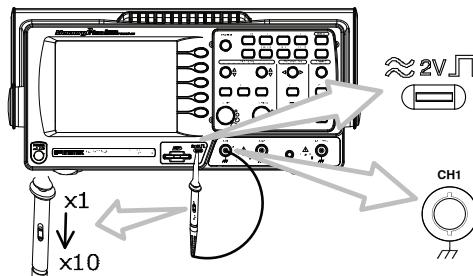


9. When the calibration is complete the display will go back to the previous state.

## Probe Compensation

### Procedure

1. Connect the probe between the Channel1 input and the probe compensation output ( $\approx 2V$ p-p, 1kHz square wave) on the front panel. Set the probe voltage attenuation to x10.



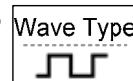
2. Press the Utility key.



3. Press *ProbeComp*.



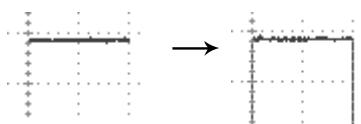
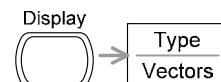
4. Press *Wavetype* repeatedly to select the standard square wave.



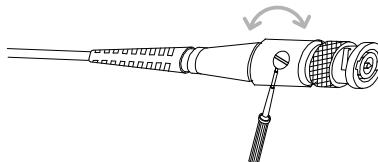
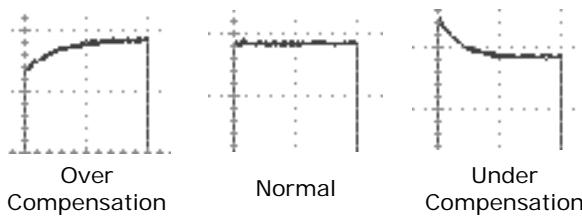
5. Press the Autoset key. The compensation signal will appear in the display.



6. Press the Display key, then *Type* to select the vector waveform.



7. Turn the adjustment point on the probe until the signal edge becomes sharp.



# FAQ

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- The input signal does not appear in the display.
- I want to remove some contents from the display.
- The waveform does not update (frozen).
- The probe waveform is distorted.
- Autoset does not catch the signal well.
- I want to clean up the cluttered panel settings.
- The accuracy does not match the specifications.
- The SD card slot does not accept my card.
- The oscilloscope will not allow a 2M waveform to be saved.

**The input signal does not appear in the display.**

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Make sure you have activated the channel by pressing the CH key (page43).

**I want to remove some contents from the display.**

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To clear the math result, press the Math key again (page59).

To clear the cursor, press the Cursor key again (page56).

To clear the Help contents, press the Help key again (page42).

The waveform does not update (frozen).

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Press the Run/Stop key to unfreeze the waveform. See page45 for details. For trigger setting details, see page81.

If this does not help, press the CH key. If the signal still does not appear, press the Autoset key.

The probe waveform is distorted.

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You might need to compensate the probe. For details, see page121. Note that the frequency accuracy and duty factor are not specified for probe compensation waveforms and therefore it should not be used for other reference purposes.

Autoset does not catch the signal well.

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The Autoset function does not catch signals well under 30mV or 20Hz. Please operate the oscilloscope manually. See page44 for details.

I want to clean up the cluttered panel settings.

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Recall the default settings by pressing the Save/Recall key→Default Setting. For default setting contents, see page41.

The saved display image is too dark on the background.

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Use the Inksaver function which reverses the background color. For details, see page106.

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**The accuracy does not match the specifications.**

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Make sure the device is powered on for at least 30 minutes, within +20°C~+30°C. This is necessary to stabilize the unit to match the specification.

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**The SD card slot does not accept my card.**

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Make sure the SD card is formatted as FAT or FAT32. Try a different SD card brand if you are still having trouble.

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**The oscilloscope will not allow a 2M waveform to be saved.**

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Make sure that only 1 channel is active. Make sure that the signal has been triggered and that the STOP or Single key has been pressed. Ensure the time base is slower than 10 ns/div. See page 94.

For more information, contact your local dealer or GWInstek at [www.gwinstek.com](http://www.gwinstek.com) / [marketing@goodwill.com.tw](mailto:marketing@goodwill.com.tw).

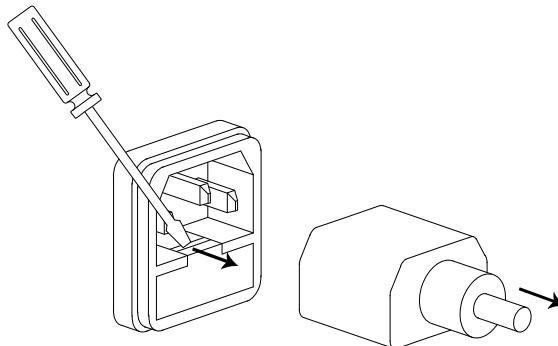
# APPENDIX

## Fuse Replacement

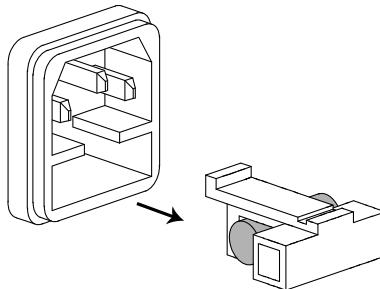
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### Procedure

1. Remove the power cord and remove the fuse socket using a minus driver.



2. Replace the fuse in the holder.



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Ratings

T1A, 250V

## GDS-1000A Series Specifications

The specifications apply when the oscilloscope is powered on for at least 30 minutes under +20°C~+30°C.

### Model-specific specifications

GDS-1062A	Bandwidth (-3dB)	DC coupling: DC ~ 60MHz AC coupling: 10Hz ~ 60MHz
	Bandwidth Limit	20MHz (-3dB)
	Trigger Sensitivity	0.5div or 5mV (DC ~ 25MHz) 1.5div or 15mV (25MHz~60MHz)
	External Trigger Sensitivity	~ 50mV (DC~25MHz) ~ 100mV (25MHz~60MHz)
GDS-1102A	Rise Time	< 5.8ns approx.
	Bandwidth (-3dB)	DC coupling: DC ~ 100MHz AC coupling: 10Hz ~ 100MHz
	Bandwidth Limit	20MHz (-3dB)
	Trigger Sensitivity	0.5div or 5mV (DC ~ 25MHz) 1.5div or 15mV (25MHz~100MHz)
GDS-1152A	External Trigger Sensitivity	~ 50mV (DC~25MHz) ~ 100mV (25MHz~100MHz)
	Rise Time	< 3.5ns approx.
	Bandwidth (-3dB)	DC coupling: DC ~ 150MHz AC coupling: 10Hz ~ 150MHz
	Bandwidth Limit	20MHz (-3dB)
	Trigger Sensitivity	0.5div or 5mV (DC ~ 25MHz) 1.5div or 15mV (25MHz~150MHz)
	External Trigger Sensitivity	~ 50mV (DC~25MHz) ~ 100mV (25MHz~100MHz)
	Rise Time	< 2.3ns approx.

## Common specifications

Vertical	Sensitivity	2mV/div~10V/Div (1-2-5 increments)
	Accuracy	$\pm (3\% \times  \text{Readout}  + 0.1 \text{div} + 1 \text{mV})$
	Bandwidth	See model-specific specifications
	Rise Time	See model-specific specifications
	Input Coupling	AC, DC, Ground
	Input Impedance	$1M\Omega \pm 2\%$ , $\sim 15pF$
	Polarity	Normal, Invert
	Maximum Input	300V (DC+AC peak), CAT II
	Math Operation	$+, -, \times$ , FFT, FFT rms
	Offset Range	2mV/div~50mV/div: $\pm 0.4V$ 100mV/div~500mV/div: $\pm 4V$ 1V/div~5V/div: $\pm 40V$ 10V/div : $\pm 300V$
Trigger	Sources	CH1, CH2, Line, EXT
	Modes	Auto, Normal, Single, TV, Edge, Pulse
	Coupling	AC, DC, LF rej, HF rej, Noise rej
	Sensitivity	See model-specific specifications
	Holdoff	40ns ~ 2.5s
External trigger	Range	DC: $\pm 15V$ , AC: $\pm 2V$
	Sensitivity	See model-specific specifications
	Input Impedance	$1M\Omega \pm 2\%$ , $\sim 15pF$
	Maximum Input	300V (DC+AC peak), CATII
Horizontal	Range	1ns/div~50s/div, 1-2.5-5 increment Roll: 250ms/div – 50s/div
	Modes	Main, Window, Window Zoom, Roll, X-Y
	Accuracy	$\pm 0.01\%$
	Pre-Trigger	10 div maximum
	Post-Trigger	1000 div
X-Y Mode	X-Axis Input	Channel 1
	Y-Axis Input	Channel 2
	Phase Shift	$\pm 3^\circ$ at 100kHz
Signal Acquisition	Real-Time	1G Sa/s maximum
	Equivalent	25G Sa/s maximum
	Vertical	8 bits
	Resolution	
	Record Length	Maximum; 2M points (1 channel), 1M points (2 channels)
	Acquisition	Normal, Peak Detect, Average
	Peak Detection	10ns (500ns/div ~ 50s/div)
	Average	2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256

Cursors and Measurement	Voltage	Vpp, Vamp, Vavg, Vrms, Vhi, Vlo, Vmax, Vmin, Rise Preshoot/ Overshoot, Fall Preshoot/ Overshoot
	Time	Freq, Period, Rise Time, Fall Time, + Width, - Width, Duty Cycle
	Delay	FRR, FRF, FFR, FFF, LRR, LRF, LFR, LFF
	Cursors	Voltage difference ( $\Delta V$ ) and Time difference ( $\Delta T$ ) between cursors
	Auto Counter	Resolution: 6 digits, Accuracy: $\pm 2\%$ Signal source: All available trigger source except the Video trigger
Control Panel Function	Autoset	Automatically adjust Vertical Volt/div, Horizontal Time/div, and Trigger level
	Save/Recall	Up to 15 sets of measurement conditions and waveforms
Display	LCD	5.6 inch, TFT, brightness adjustable
	Resolution (dots)	234 (Vertical) x 320 (Horizontal)
	Graticule	8 x 10 divisions
	Display Contrast	Adjustable
Interface	USB Slave Connector	USB1.1 & 2.0 full speed compatible (flash disk not supported)
	SD Card Slot	Image (BMP) and waveform data (CSV)
Probe Compensation Signal	Frequency range	1kHz ~ 100kHz adjustable, 1kHz step
	Duty cycle	5% ~ 95% adjustable, 5% step
	Amplitude	2Vpp $\pm 3\%$
Power Source	Line Voltage	100V~240V AC, 47Hz~63Hz
	Power Consumption	18W, 40VA maximum
	Fuse Rating	1A slow, 250V
Operation Environment	Ambient temperature	0 ~ 50°C
	Relative humidity	$\leq 80\%$ , 40°C or below $\leq 45\%$ , 41°C~50°C
Storage Environment	Storage Temperature	-10°C~60°C, no condensation
	Relative humidity	93% @ 40°C 65% @ 41°C~60°C
Dimensions	310(W) x 142(H) x 140(D) mm	
Weight	Approx. 2.5kg	

## Probe Specifications

### GDS-1062A/1102A/1152A Probe

Applicable model & probe	GDS-1062A GTP-060A-4*	GDS-1102A GTP-100A-4*
Position x 10	Attenuation Ratio 10:1 Bandwidth DC ~ 60MHz Input Resistance 10MΩ when used with 1MΩ input Input Capacitance 23pF approx. Maximum Input Voltage 500V CAT I, 300V CAT II (DC+Peak AC) Derating with frequency	DC ~ 100MHz 17pF approx.
Position x 1	Attenuation Ratio 1:1 Bandwidth DC ~ 6MHz Input Resistance 1MΩ when used with 1MΩ input Input Capacitance 128pF approx. Maximum Input Voltage 300V CAT I, 150V CAT II (DC+Peak AC) Derating with frequency	47pF approx.
Operating Cond.	Temperature -10°C ~ 55°C Relative Humidity ≤85% @35°C	
Safety Standard	EN 61010-031 CAT II	

### Applicable model & probe

GDS-1152A GTP-150A-2\*

Position x 10	Attenuation Ratio 10:1 Bandwidth DC ~ 150MHz Input Resistance 10MΩ when used with 1MΩ input Input Capacitance 17pF approx. Maximum Input Voltage 500V CAT I, 300V CAT II (DC+Peak AC) Derating with frequency	
Position x 1	Attenuation Ratio 1:1 Bandwidth DC ~ 6MHz Input Resistance 1MΩ when used with 1MΩ input Input Capacitance 47pF approx. Maximum Input Voltage 300V CAT I, 150V CAT II (DC+Peak AC) Derating with frequency	
Operating Cond.	Temperature -10°C ~ 55°C Relative Humidity ≤85% @35°C	
Safety Standard	EN 61010-031 CAT II	

\* Note: GW Instek reserves the right to change the probe model type (GTP-060A-4, GTP-100A-4, GTP-150A-2) at anytime without notice for probe model types of similar specification.

## EC Declaration of Conformity

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Are herewith confirmed to comply with the requirements set out in the Council Directive on the Approximation of the Law of Member States relating to Electromagnetic Compatibility (2004/108/EC) and Low Voltage Equipment Directive (2006/95/EC). For the evaluation regarding the Electromagnetic Compatibility and Low Voltage Equipment Directive, the following standards were applied:

### ◎ EMC

<b>EN 61326-1 :</b>	Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use — EMC requirements (2006)
<b>EN 61326-2-1:</b>	
Conducted and Radiated Emissions CISPR11: 2003+A1: 2004+A2: 2006	Electrostatic Discharge IEC 61000-4-2: 2001
Current Harmonic EN 61000-3-2: 2006	Radiated Immunity IEC 61000-4-3: 2006+A1: 2007
Voltage Fluctuation EN 61000-3-3: 1995+A1: 2001+A2 : 2005	Electrical Fast Transients IEC 61000-4-4: 2004+Corr.1 : 2006+Corr.2 : 2007
-----	Surge Immunity IEC 61000-4-5: 2005
-----	Conducted Susceptibility IEC 61000-4-6: 2003+A1: 2004+A2: 2006
-----	Power Frequency Magnetic Field IEC 61000-4-8: 2001
-----	Voltage Dips/ Interrupts IEC 61000-4-11: 2004

### ◎ Safety

<b>Low Voltage Equipment Directive 2006/95/EC</b>
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