

# DSO Nano V3 User's Manual

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## I Product Intro

DSO Nano pocket size oscilloscope is a compatible 32bit digital storage oscilloscope. Based on ARM Cortex™-M3, it's equipped with 320\*240 color display, USB port and recharging function. It's compact, simple to operate; meets the basic demands of school lab, electric furniture repairmen and electric engineering.

## II General Safety Rules

To ensure your safety & avoid any damages to the product/connected devices, please read the following safety rules carefully. To avoid any possible dangers, please use this product according to the rules.

**Use appropriate power cord.** Please use dedicated power cord which is certified in the country/region.

**Connect/disconnect properly.** Do not plug/unplug when the probe(s)/test lead(s) is connected to the power source. Before you plug/unplug the current probes, please disconnect the power to the circuit-under-test.

**Observe all terminal ratings.** To avoid fire/electric shock, please don't measure signal with DC100V or above, or the device might be destroyed. Please read the manual carefully to know the detailed info of related ratings before connection.

**Please do not operate in humid environment.**

**Please do not operate in inflammable/explosive environment.**

**Please keep the surface of the product clean and dry.**

## III Major Functions

|                         |                                         |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Display                 | 2.8" color TFT LCD                      |
| display resolution      | 320×240                                 |
| Display Colors          | 65K                                     |
| Virtual Broadband       | 0-200kHz                                |
| Max. Sampling Rate      | 1Msps 12 bit                            |
| Sampling Storage Depth  | 4096 points                             |
| Transverse Sensitivity  | 1uS/Div~2S/Div(1-2-5 stepping)          |
| Vertical Sensitivity    | 10mv/Div~10V/Div(x1 probe)              |
|                         | 0.5V/Div~10V/Div(x10 probe)             |
| Input Resistance        | >500K $\Omega$                          |
| Max. Input Voltage      | 80Vpp (x1 probe)                        |
| Coupling Mode           | DC                                      |
| Triggering Mode         | Auto, Normal, Single, None              |
| Auto Measurement        | Fre, Duty, Vp-p, Vrms, Vavg, Vmax, Vmin |
|                         | Vertical Precise Measurement Cursor     |
|                         | Horizontal Precise Measurement Cursor   |
|                         | Rising/Falling Edge Trigger             |
|                         | Triggering Cursor                       |
|                         | Triggering Sensitivity Cursor           |
|                         | Hold/Run                                |
| Inbuilt Test Signal     | 10Hz~1MHz(1-2-5 stepping)               |
| Waveform Storage        | 2Mbyte                                  |
| PC Connection Interface | Connection through USB                  |
| Recharging Method       | Recharging through USB interface        |
| Dimensions              | 105mm×53mm×8mm                          |

## IV Operation Precautions

### ■ Temperature:

Working condition: +0°C to +500°C

Non-working condition: -20°C to +60°C:

### ■ Humidity:

Working condition: High temperature: 40°C - 50°C, 0%-60%RH

Working condition: Low temperature: 0°C - 40°C, 10%-90%RH

Non-working condition: High temperature: 40°C- 60°C, 5%-60%RH

Non-working condition: Low temperature: 0°C - 40°C, 5%-90%RH

## V General Inspection

When you get a new DSO Nano, it's suggested to inspect the product by the following steps:

1. Inspect for damage caused by shipping.

If the carton/plastic protection pad is seriously damaged, please keep the package until the product and accessories pass the inspection electrically and mechanically.

2. Inspect the product

Please contact the company if the following problems occur: 1) product surface is damaged, 2) product doesn't work properly, 3) product does not pass performance test.

If the damage is resulted from shipping, please keep the package and contact the transportation department/RIGOL distributor who is in charge of this service, for repair or exchange.

## VI Functional Inspection

Make a quick functional inspection to ensure the product is working soundly. Please perform following steps:

- 1 ▪ Turn on the power supply, access homepage of the oscilloscope.
- 2 ▪ Connect the oscilloscope with standard signals (e.g. square wave 20KHz, Vpp=5V), set the switch on probe tip as 1X, plug oscilloscope probe to the jack.

Check whether the measured signal value is the same as the standard value; it can be calibrated if the margin is small.

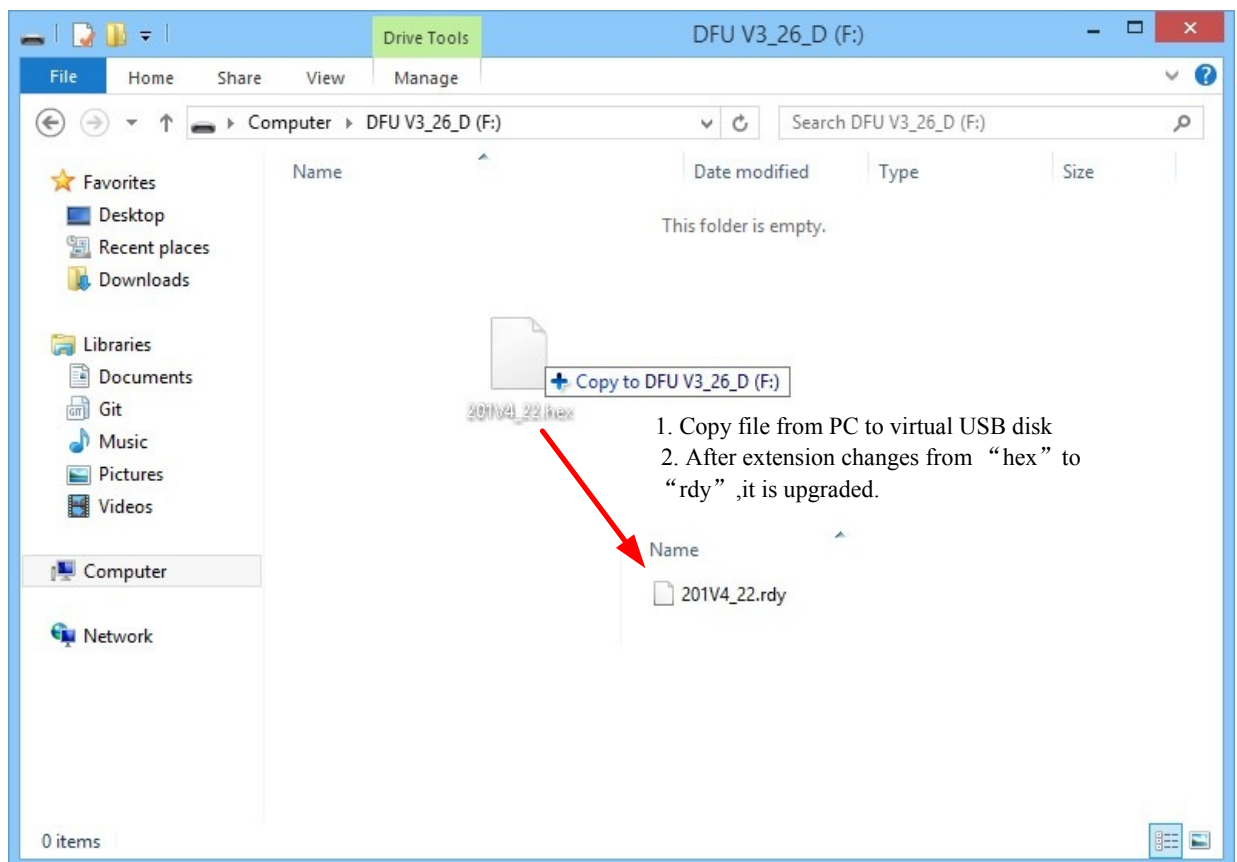
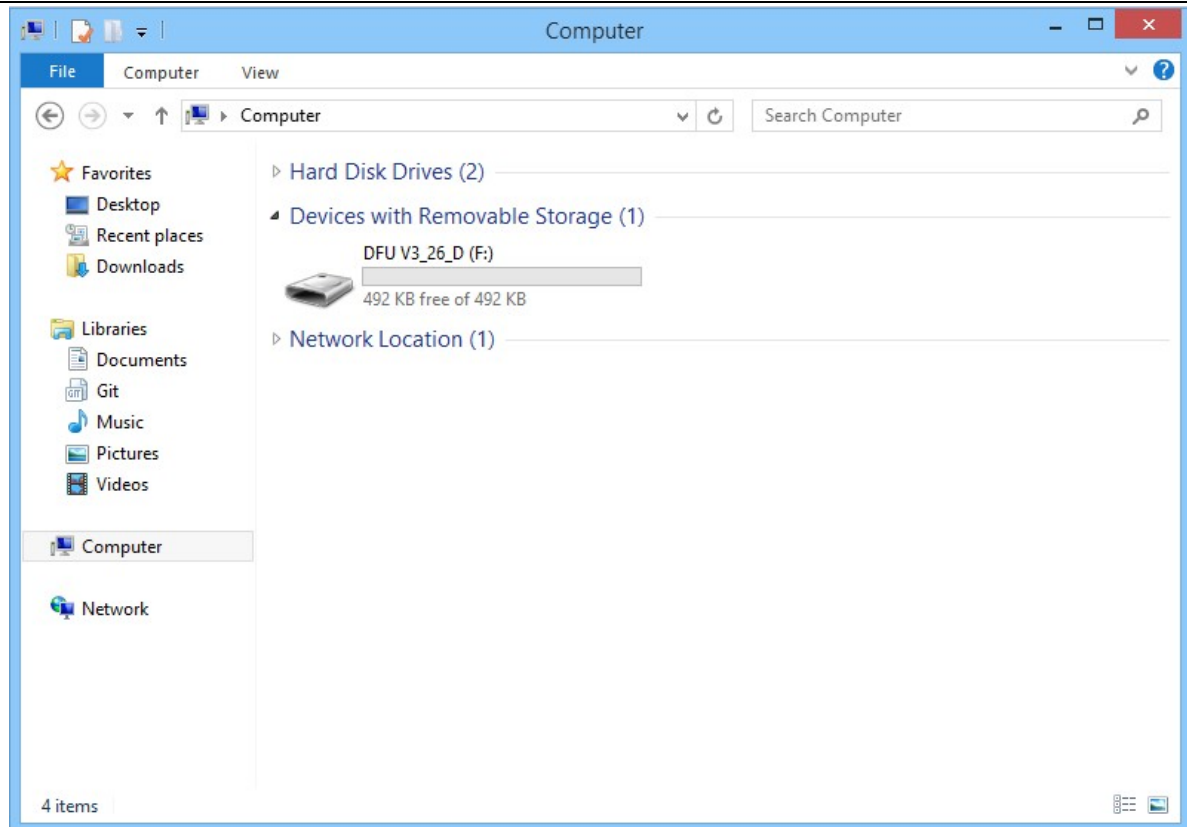
## VII Battery Recharging Instruction

When the battery sign shows as “”, or when the display is dim, please recharge in time. The product can be power on or off while recharging.

## VIII Firmware Upgrade

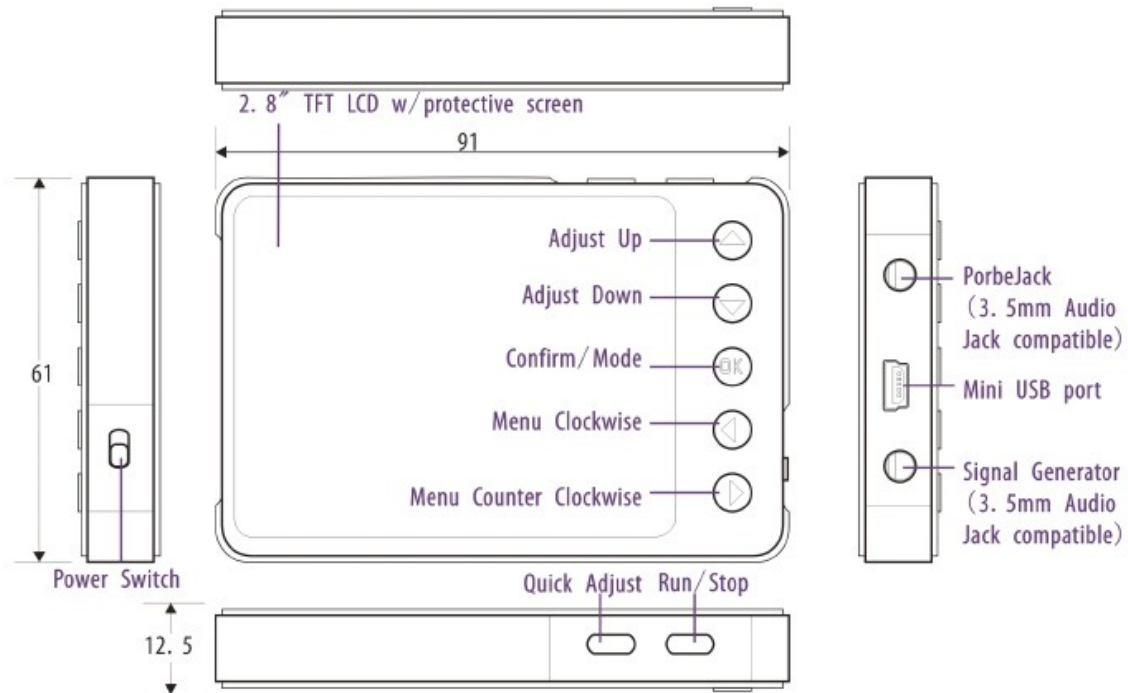
To upgrade firmware, please perform following steps:

1. Open web to access [www.minidso.com](http://www.minidso.com), download the latest applicable firmware to your PC.
2. Simultaneously press “▼” of DSO Nano and turn on power supply, enter DFU firmware upgrade mode.
3. Use USB to connect DSO Nano to your PC, a removable disk named DFU V3\_26\_D will appear on your PC. Copy the hex firmware to the root directory of your disk. After the extension of the firmware changes from “hex” to “rdy”, restart DSO Nano, thus firmware is upgraded. **Here we upgrade firmware to the latest Version 201V4\_22.**



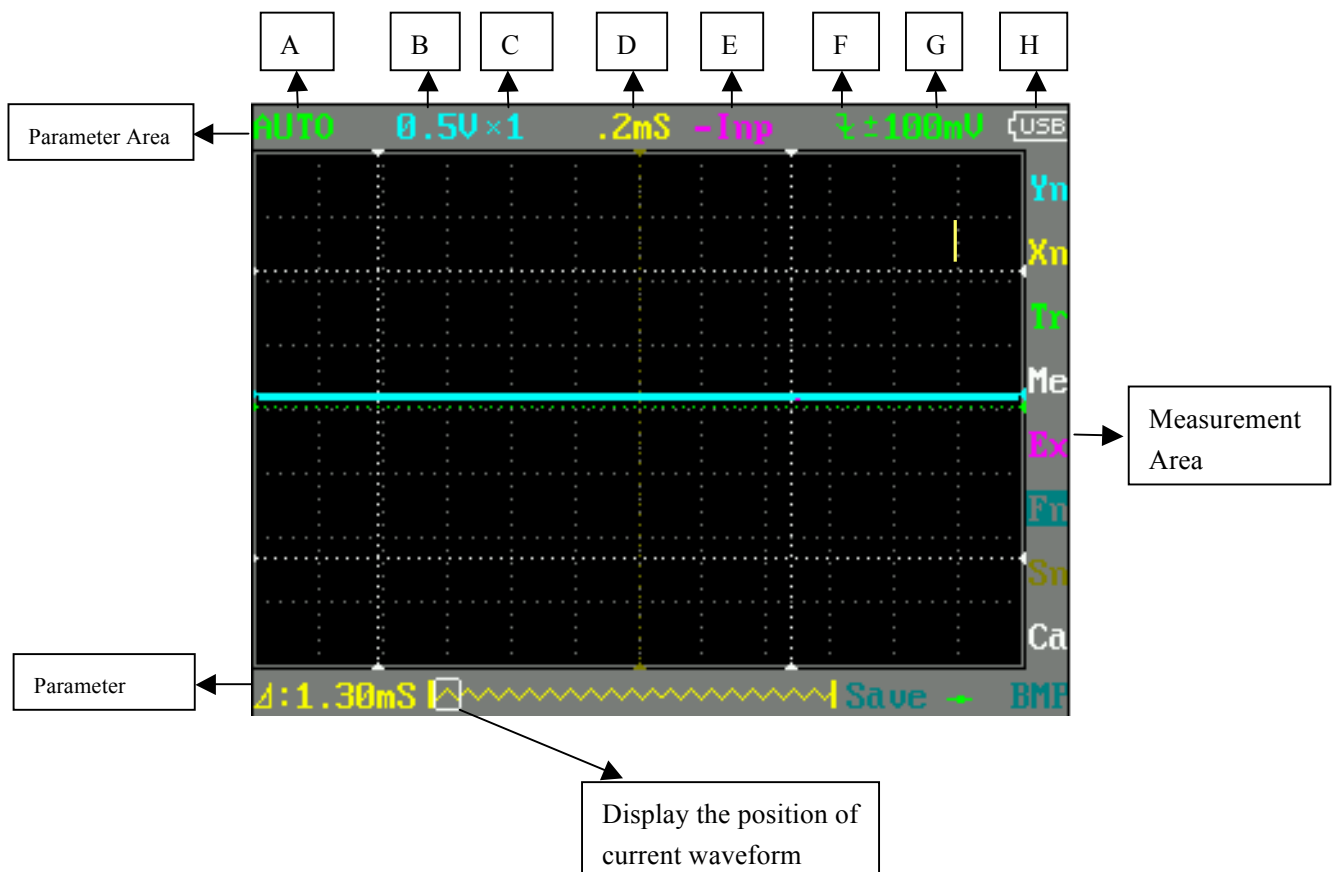
## IX Product Familiarization

### 1. Interface & Buttons



### 2. Screen

The screen display is depicted as below:



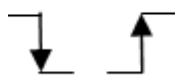
The table below shows the intro of button functions

| Button | Function                                   |
|--------|--------------------------------------------|
| A      | Run/Hold                                   |
|        | Choose to save current file                |
| ▲      | Upward selection                           |
| ▼      | Downward selection                         |
| ◀      | (left/decrease) change setting parameters  |
| ▶      | (right/increase) change setting parameters |
| OK     | Menu                                       |
|        | Choose to save current parameter setting   |

NOTE: There are corresponding colors for items in Parameter Area and Measurement Area.

## X Measurement Operation Instruction

### 1. Parameter Area Intro

| Menu | Item                                                                                                                                                                      | Function(Operate: Press ◀or ▶)                                                                                              |
|------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A    | AUTO/NORM/SINGL/NONE                                                                                                                                                      | Automation/Normal/Single                                                                                                    |
| B    | 10mV-10V (1-2-5 stepping)                                                                                                                                                 | y-axis voltage per grid                                                                                                     |
| C    | $\times 1/\times 10$                                                                                                                                                      | multiple                                                                                                                    |
| D    | 1uS—2S (1-2-5 stepping)                                                                                                                                                   | x-axis voltage per grid                                                                                                     |
| E    | -Inp/Data/-Data/Inp+D/D-Inp/Inp-D/Off                                                                                                                                     | Operation of 2 waveforms (Inp is current waveform; D/Data is previously saved waveform);Off is hide Inp and D/Data waveform |
| F    |                                                                                        | Triggering Method: Falling edge trigger, Rising edge trigger.                                                               |
| G    | $\pm 80\text{mV}—\pm 7.8\text{V}$                                                                                                                                         | Horizontal triggering range                                                                                                 |
| H    |  /  | Power supply by battery/ by USB                                                                                             |

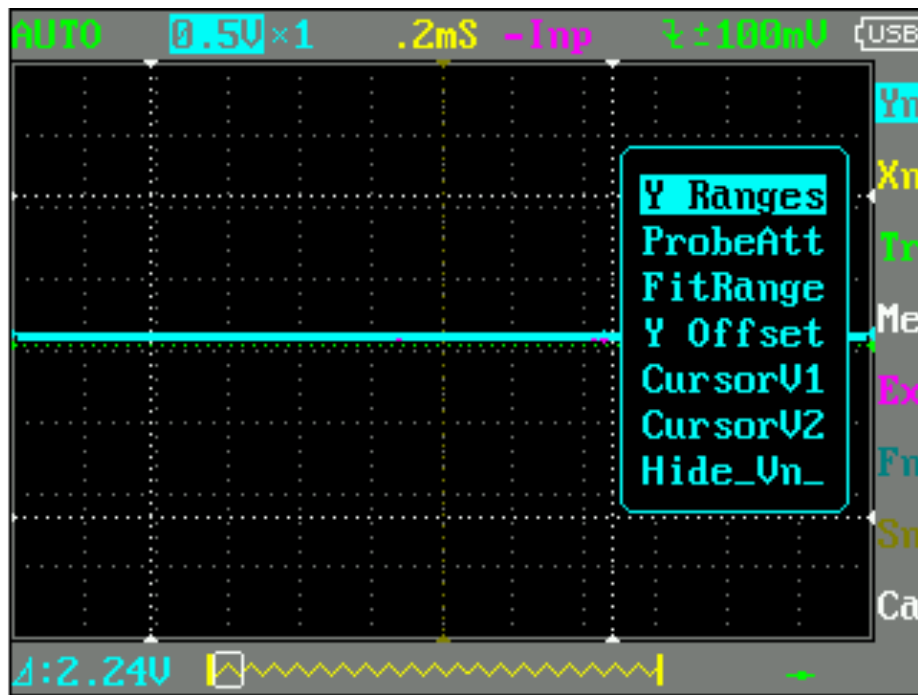
### 2. Measurement Area Intro

| Item | Function Intro                      |
|------|-------------------------------------|
| Yn   | Y-axis Function Setting             |
| Xn   | X-axis Function Setting             |
| Tr   | Triggering Function Setting         |
| Me   | Measurement Function Setting        |
| Ex   | Waveform Operation Function Setting |
| Fn   | Save and Load Function Setting      |
| Sn   | Output Waveform Parameters Setting  |
| Ca   | Calibration Setting                 |

### 3. Specific Parameter Intro

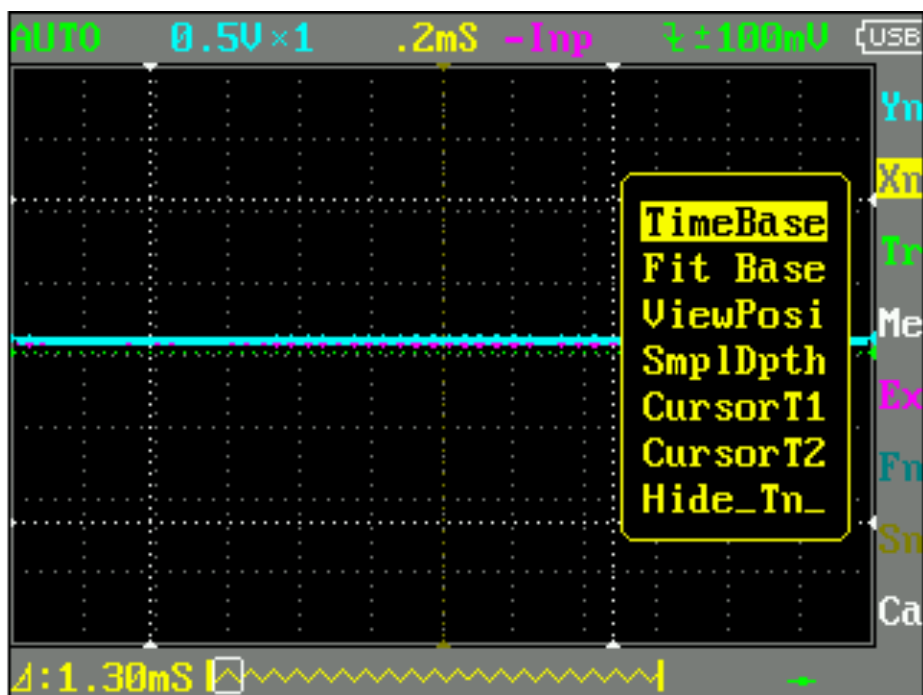
Choose the items in parameter area through “▲” or “▼”. Press “OK” to access parameter setting menu, use “▲” or “▼” to choose the parameter item, and then use “◀” and “▶” to change the parameter value of the place where the cursor blinks.

#### (1) Annotation of Yn parameters



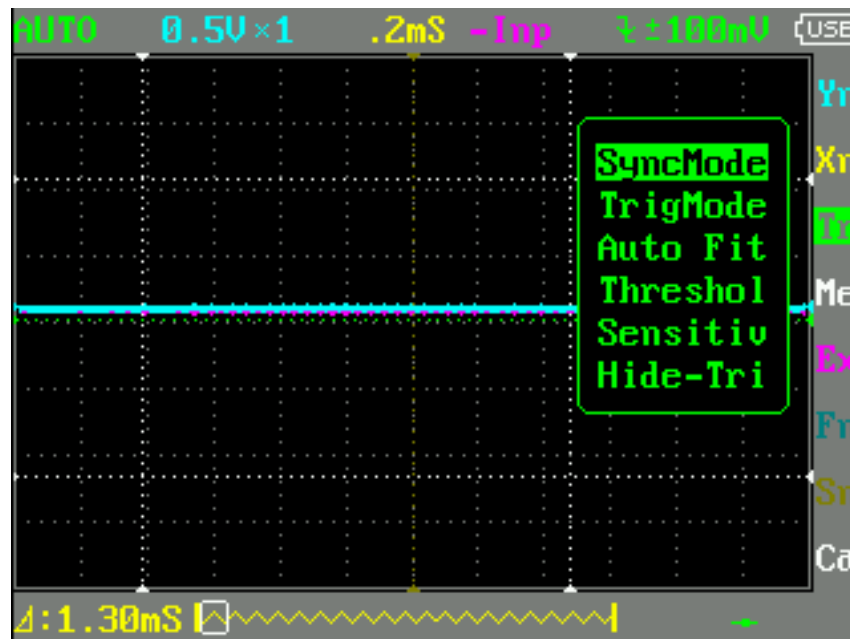
|          |                                                |
|----------|------------------------------------------------|
| Y Ranges | Y-axis voltage per grid                        |
| ProbeAtt | Multiple                                       |
| FitRange | Auto adjustment                                |
| Y Offset | Waveform adjusts up & down within the window   |
| CursorV1 | Cursor V1:top limit of visible trigger level   |
| CursorV2 | CursorV2:bottom limit of visible trigger level |
| CursorTp | Hide/ Display Measurement Cursor               |

(2) Annotations of Xn Parameters



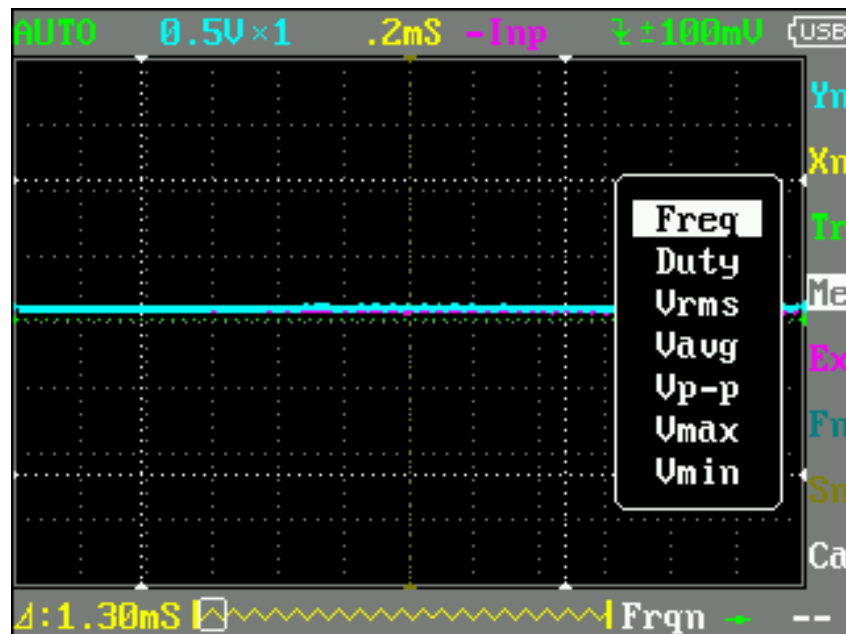
|          |                                      |
|----------|--------------------------------------|
| TimeBase | X-axis voltage per grid              |
| Fit Base | Auto adjustment                      |
| ViewPosi | Horizontal movement to view waveform |
| SmplDpth | Internal storage depth (1k~6k)       |
| CursorT1 | Time measurement cursorT1            |
| CursorT2 | Time measurement cursorT2            |
| CursorTp | Hide/Display Measurement Cursor      |

(3) Annotations of Tr parameters



|           |                                                    |
|-----------|----------------------------------------------------|
| SyncMode  | Choices of Triggering Mode                         |
|           | AUTO/NORM/SINGL/NONE<br>Automation/Normal/Singular |
| TrigMode  | Rising edge/falling edge triggering mode           |
| Auto Fit  | Auto adjustment                                    |
| Threshold | Horizontal Triggering Position Level               |
| Sensitiv  | Horizontal Triggering Range                        |
| CursorTp  | Hide/Display Horizontal Triggering Position Level  |

(4) Annotations of Me Parameters



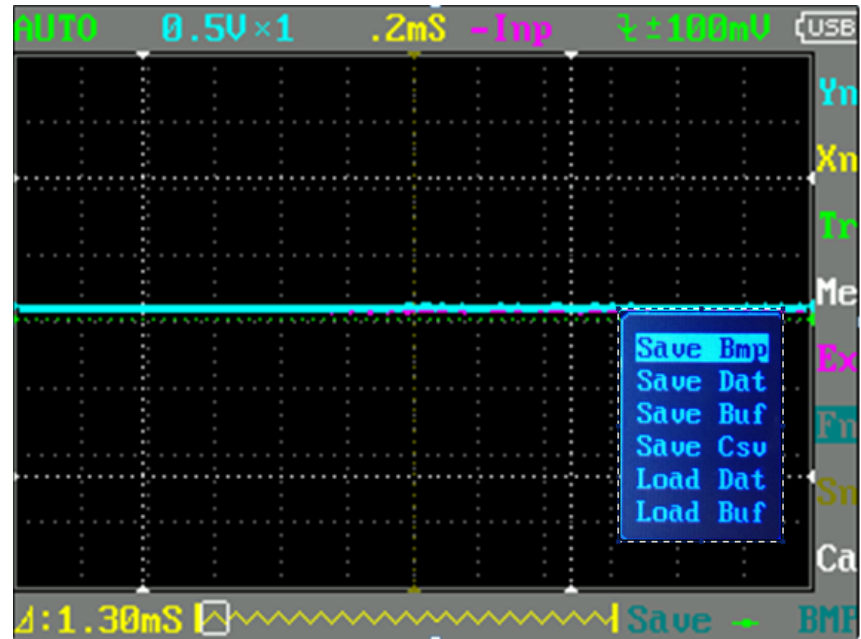
|      |                          |
|------|--------------------------|
| Freq | Signal Frequency         |
| Duty | Duty factor              |
| Vrms | Voltage Effective Value  |
| Vavg | Average Value of Voltage |
| Vp-p | Peak-to-Peak Voltage     |
| Vmax | Maximum Voltage          |
| Vmin | Minimum Voltage          |

(5) Annotations of Ex Parameters



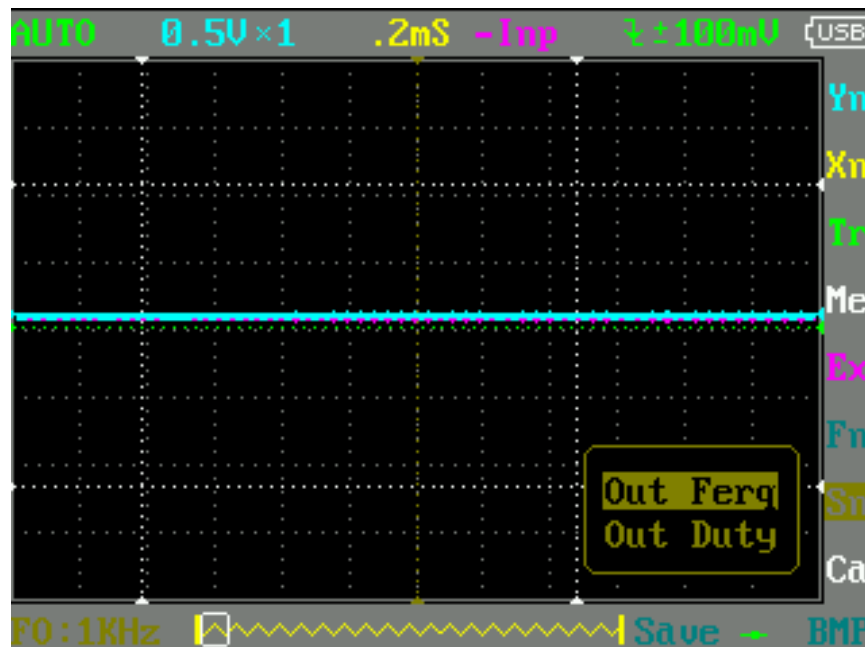
|          |                                                                                      |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Ext Refn | 2 waveforms operation (Inp is current waveform; D/Data is previously saved waveform) |
|          | -Inp/Data/-Data/Inp+D/D-Inp/Inp-D/Off                                                |
| Ext Posi | Display current waveform                                                             |

(6) Annotations of Fn Parameters



|          |                                                                  |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Save Bmp | Save bmp file (waveform image) to the built-in U disk            |
| Save Dat | Save dat file to the built-in U disk                             |
| Save Buf | Save buf file (sampling buffering data) to built-in U disk       |
| Save Csv | Save csv file (export sampling buffering data)to built-in U disk |
| Load Dat | load Dat                                                         |
| Load Buf | load Buf                                                         |

(7) Annotations of Sn Parameters



|          |                          |
|----------|--------------------------|
| Out Freq | Signal output frequency  |
| Out Duty | Signal output dutyfactor |

## (8) Annotations of Ca Parameters



Oscilloscope Calibration: Press A

|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| Cal Zero | Calibration without voltage |
| CalRange | Calibration with voltage    |
| Restore  | Master Reset                |

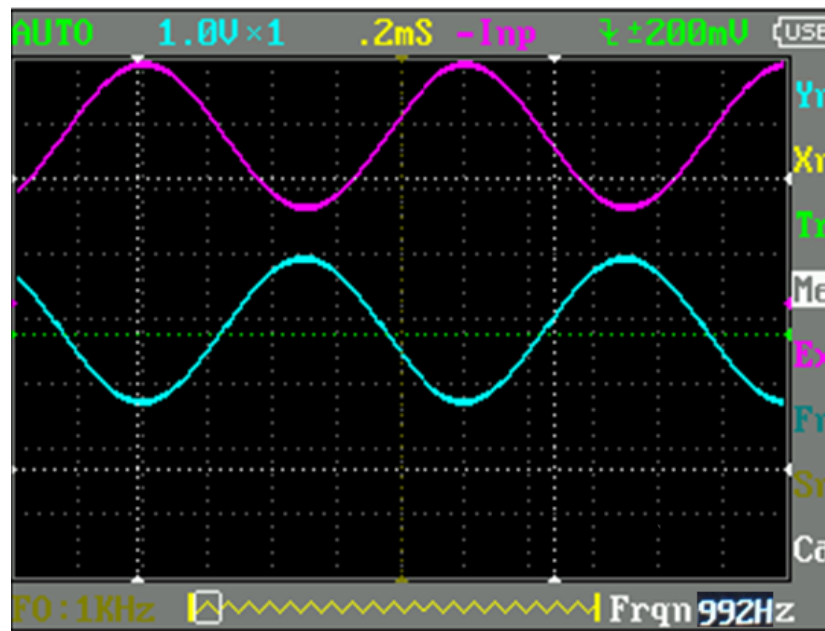
## XI Application Examples

### 1. Example One: Measure Simple Signal

Observe one unknown signal in a circuit, quickly measure & display the signal's frequency & peak-to-peak value. Please operate according to following steps:

- Connect the channel probe to the detection point of the circuit.
- Set the Channel mode as AUTO, adjust the (Horizontal) time calibration and (Vertical) voltage calibration, make sure the signal displays clearly.
- Adjust Threshold horizontal triggering position to make signal display stable.
- Use “▲” or “▼” to choose Me items in Measurement Area, then press “M”, use “◀” or “▶” to choose the signal

parameters that need analysis, e.g. Freq(frequency), Duty(dutyfactor), Vpp(peak-to-peak voltage)etc., the measured value will be displayed at the lower right corner of the screen, as shown in the image below:



Measured value

## 2. Example Two: Measure with Cursor

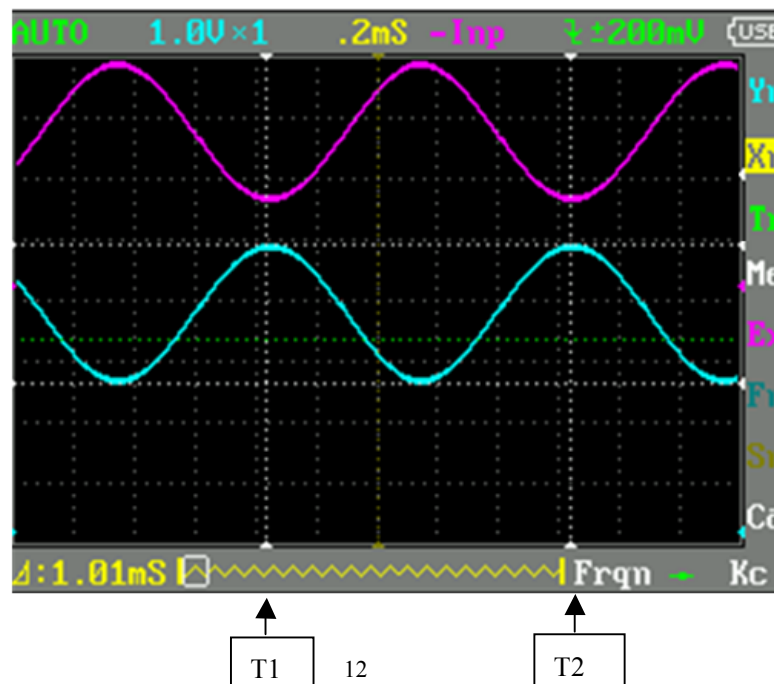
A cursor can be used to measure the time and voltage of the waveform very quickly.

(1) Measure the cycle of signal source

Please operate according to the following steps:

- Use “▲” or “▼” to choose Xn items in Measurement Area.
- Press “OK”
- Use “▲” or “▼” to choose CursorT1
- Use “◀” or “▶” to adjust the position of CursorT1 to the crest.
- Use “▲” or “▼” to choose CursorT2
- Use “◀” or “▶” to adjust the position of CursorT2 to the next crest.

And get:  $\Delta V=1.00\text{mS}$  i.e. the cycle of signal source. As shown in the image below:

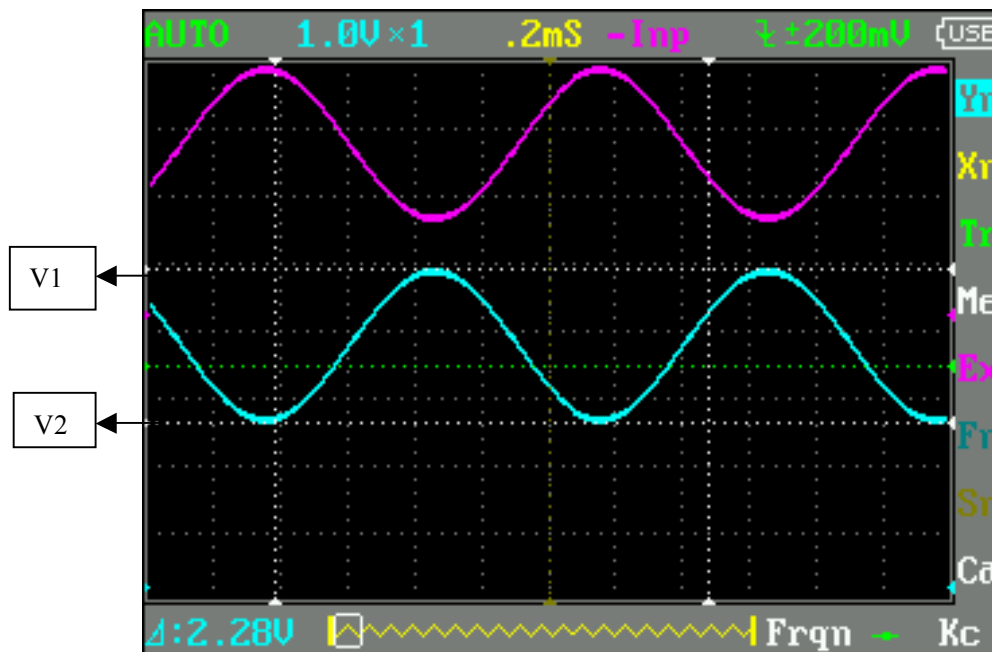


(2) Measure peak-to-peak voltage of the signal source.

Please operate according to following steps:

- Use “▲” or “▼” to choose Yn items in Measurement Area
- Press “OK”
- Use “▲” or “▼” to choose CursorV1
- Use “◀” or “▶” to adjust the position of CursorV1 to the crest
- Use “▲” or “▼” to choose CursorV2
- Use “◀” or “▶” to adjust the position of CursorV2 to the valley

And get:  $\Delta V = 2.08V$ . i.e. the peak-to-peak voltage of signal source, as shown in the image below:

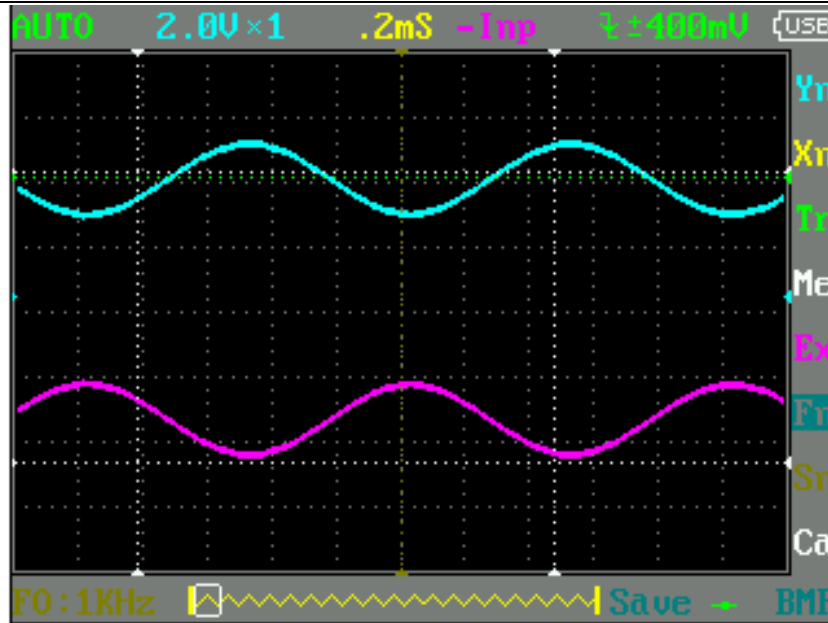


### 3. Example Three: Save waveform image

Sometimes waveform images need to be archived or analyzed on PC platform.

Please operate according to following steps:

- Use “▲” or “▼” to choose the Fn items in Measurement Area, press “OK”, use “▲” or “▼” to choose Save Bmp, and then use “◀” or “▶” to choose the file name on the lower right corner of the screen ,e.g.Save000.BMP, as shown in the image; and then press “➤||” to save it to the built-in U disk.
- Just copy the image to your PC, and you can analyze the waveform image.

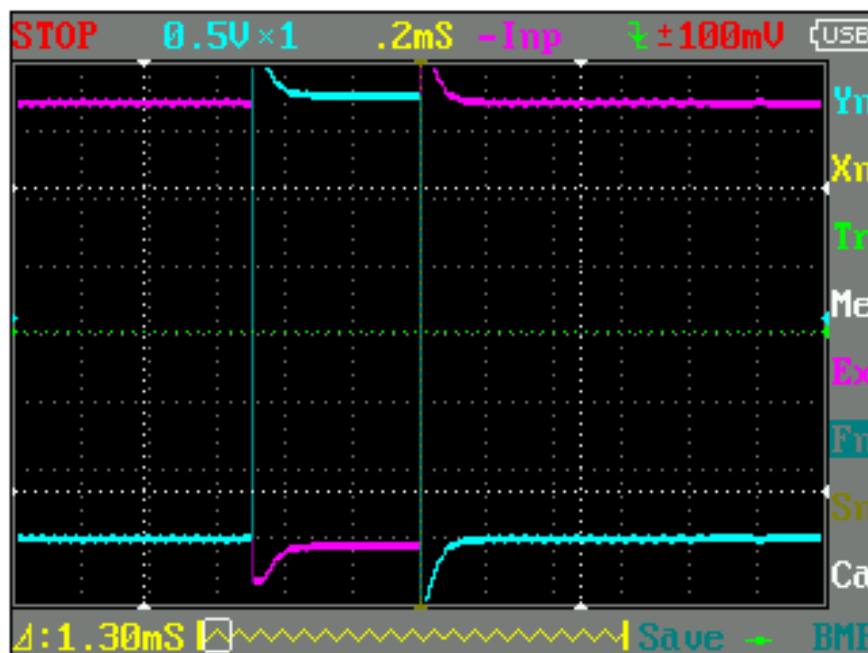


#### 4. Example Four: Acquire Single Signal

It's the superiority and feature of digital oscilloscope to easily acquire non-periodic signals like impulsion and peak. To acquire a single signal, you need a priori knowledge of it to set trigger level & trigger edge. E.g. if impulsion is a TTL PWL logic signal, **trig level** should be set as 2V, trig edge as rising edge trig. If the signal is not stable, it's suggested to observe in a normal triggering mode to define trig level & trig edge.

##### Operation steps are as follows:

- Connect the channel probe to the detection point of the circuit.
- Set the triggering: set F as  (rising edge trigger) Triggering setting: DC Coupling.
- Adjust horizontal time level and vertical scale to proper range.
- Adjust proper triggering threshold.
- Use “▲” or “▼” to choose Tr items in Measurement Area, press “M”; use “▲” or “▼” to choose SyncMode, and then use “◀” or “▶” to choose signal triggering mode, wait for the signal that match the triggering condition to show up. If there is one signal reaching the preset threshold, it will be sampled and displayed on the screen. As shown in the picture.



### 5. Example Five: Compare waveform signals

Please operate according to following steps:

➤ Input standard signal waveform to the channel, chose Data in EX, and then choose Save001.DAT to save the waveform, as shown in the image below.

➤ Input unknown to-be-measured signal to the channel, choose Fn → Load Dat → Load001.DAT, and then the to-be-compared waveforms are shown on the screen simultaneously, as shown in the image.

