

User's Guide

- SDS 200(A) -

- SoftScope-

PC Based Digital Oscilloscope

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If you experience product malfunction, please contact our headquarters or any of our sales offices.

Precautions for Safety

Recommended Usage Environment

- In Operation

Temperature: 0 °C ~ 40 °C

Relative Humidity: 10 ~ 90% , When being used in a fixed state

- Not in Operation

Temperature: 20°C ~ 60°C

Relative Humidity: 5 ~ 95%, When being used in a fixed state

Power Source

- The USB terminal and SDS 200(A) are connected via a USB cable for DC +5V power from the PC. The product does not require an outside power source.

Warning: Be careful not to input excessive power voltage

- The product's input power capacity is fixed as shown below to prevent electric shock and/or fire. Please DO NOT use voltage higher than that prescribed below.

<Oscilloscope Max. Voltage Capacity: CH1, CH2, EXT all 42 V_{pk}, AC 30V_{rms}, DC 60V>

- Please eliminate all unused probes or tester leads so that they do not come in contact with surrounding high voltage parts.
- Make sure that the PC's power source is grounded.

Handling Precautions and After Service

DO NOT open the cover and attempt to repair the product at home. This may cause electric shock and/or other accidents. Please be aware that after service cannot be performed after you've opened the cover at home. All repairs, etc. must be performed at an authorized After Service Center.

WARNING!)

- The equipment parts must not be replaced by the user as there is a danger of electric shock. All repairs must be performed by an authorized technician and/or service center.
- When connecting a probe or signal input cable onto a circuit being tested, the grounded signal input cable must be connected to the grounded signal source. In a floating state, the electric current may vary relative to other devices or grounding, thereby damaging equipment, probes, or other measuring devices.

Usage Location

- If the products crevice is exposed to electric conductors (solids or liquids), the product will short circuit and possibly create dangers of electric shock or fire. Please keep this product away from humidity, water, or dust.
- DO NOT use this product near gas as well as other flammable and/or explosive materials.
- DO NOT place the product on an unstable cart, stand, or tripod. Such usage creates the dangers of accident and/or damage to product.

Maintenance and Storage

- The recommended temperature and humidity for equipment storage is 25 °C at 80% humidity.

Minimum System Requirements

To install and run SoftScope, you should have the following;

Operating System

Windows 98/ME/2000/XP

CPU/Mainboard

Pentium 200MHz , USB equipped mainboard

Memory

32MByte

HDD

20MByte

Graphic Card

Microsoft DirectX supported

Screen resolution: 800x600

Color depth: 16bit

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1. What is SDS 200(A)/SoftScope ?

1. SDS 200(A)

SDS 200(A) developed by SOFTDSP CO., LTD. is a portable PC-based Digital Oscilloscope.

High performance

SDS 200(A) has the following features: 200MHz analog bandwidth, 5GS/s equivalent sampling, 100MHz real-time sampling.

USB connected

SDS 200(A) uses USB that supports plug'n play, with 12Mbps communication speed.

Advanced trigger

SDS 200(A) has advanced trigger circuitry so that it can detect many complex signals.

Best performance for your dollar

SDS 200(A) has many features that is comparable to the high speed stand-alone DSOs. But it costs a fraction of the price.

No external power required

SDS 200(A) does not need an external power source, because it is bus-powered from USB.

2. SoftScope

SoftScope is a Windows software that controls SDS 200(A).

Easy to use

SoftScope is easy to use. It is intuitive and easy to understand.

Big screen

SoftScope uses 500 x 400 screen size.

Various data format processing

SoftScope can save waveform in the following formats: text file, jpg/bmp graphic file, MS excel/word file.

Fast screen update rate

SoftScope uses Microsoft DirectX, so that it gives upto screens per second update rate. (under Windows98, Pentium II environment)

Many kinds of measurements

SoftScope has 23 measurement functions.

The analog scope effect

SoftScope uses digital persistence and histogram method so that the display resembles an analog oscilloscope screen.

2. Hardware Specification

Input	
Max. sample rate	Realtime sampling: 100MS/s using one channel, 50MS/s using two channels Equivalent sampling: 5GS/s
Channels	2
Bandwidth	200 MHz (-3dB) Single shot bandwidth:50MHz 20MHz bandwidth limiting function is available(SDS 200A)
Vertical resolution	9 bits/channel
Gain range	10mV ~ 10V/div @ x1 probe (10mV, 20mV, 50mV, 100mV, 200mV, 500mV, 1V, 2V, 5V, 10V/div 1,2,5 sequence) 100mV ~ 100V/div @ x10 probe 1V ~ 1000V/div @ x100 probe 10V ~ 10kV/div @x1000 probe
Range	8 divisions
Offset level	+/-4 divisions
Coupling	AC, DC, GND(SDS 200A)
Offset increments	0.02 div
Impedance	1M ohm
DC accuracy	+/-3%
Input protection	42Vpk (DC + peak AC < 10 kHz, without external attenuation)
Display Mode	Y-T, X-Y
Timebase	
Timebase range	2ns/div ~ 10s/div (2ns, 4ns, 10ns, 20ns, 40ns, 100ns, 200ns, 400ns, 1us, 2us, 4us, 10us, 20us, 40us, 100us, 200us, 400us, 1ms, 2ms, 4ms, 10ms, 20ms, 40ms, 100ms, 200ms, 400ms, 1s, 2s, 4s, 10s /div 1-2-4 sequence)
Acquisition mode	Equivalent sampling: 2ns/div ~ 4us/div Realtime sampling: 10us/div ~ 400ms/div Roll mode: 1s/div ~ 10s/div Peak detection
Range	10 divisions

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Pre/Post trigger	0% ~ 1000%
Time resolution	200ps
Buffer size	10K samples 10K ~ 512K samples(SDS 200A)
Trigger	
Type	Edge trigger: Rising edge, falling edge Logic trigger: AND, NAND, OR, NOR, XOR, XNOR (SDS 200) Pulse trigger: Less than width, more than width (10ns ~ 167ms) Delay trigger: By event (1~16,777,215), by time (10ns ~ 167ms) (SDS 200) Delay trigger: By event (1~16,777,215), by time (1us ~ 167ms) (SDS 200A)
Mode	Auto, Normal and Single
Autoset	Yes
Range	10 divisions
Trigger level	+/-4 divisions
Settability	0.02 div increments
Math	
Measurements	Vp-p, Vmax, Vmin, Vmean, Vrms, Vamp, Vhigh, Vlow, positive overshoot, negative overshoot, cycle mean, cycle rms, period, frequency, positive pulse width, negative pulse width, rise time (10%~90%), fall time (10%~90%), positive duty cycle, negative duty cycle
Cursor	Time/frequency difference, voltage difference Frequency only in FFT mode
Math	Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division
FFT	Rectangular, Hanning, Hamming, Blackman Window
Physical	
Interface	Universal Serial Bus (USB)
Power	No external power source required. Bus-powered from USB
Dimensions	5.1" x 4.4" x 1.5" (130 x 112 x 38mm)

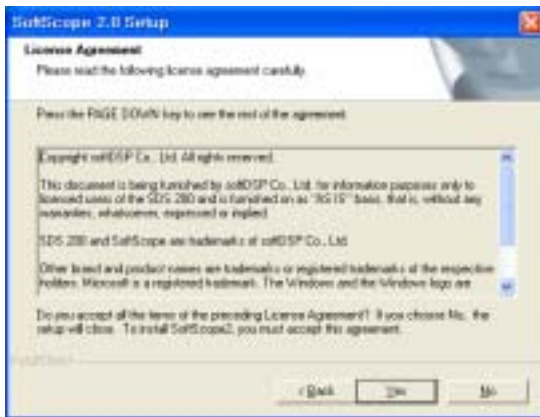
3. SoftScope Installation

Caution!) You must install 'SoftScope' before using SDS 200(A).

1. While in Windows, insert the installation CD into the CD-ROM drive.
2. The installation should start up automatically. Otherwise in Windows Explorer, switch to the CD-ROM drive and run Setup.exe.
3. The SoftScope Installation is started. Click Next to continue.



4. If you accept the license agreement, click Yes to continue.



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5. Choose a destination directory. Click Next to continue.



6. Select Language you use. Click Next to continue.



7. Select Graph mode. Click Next to continue.

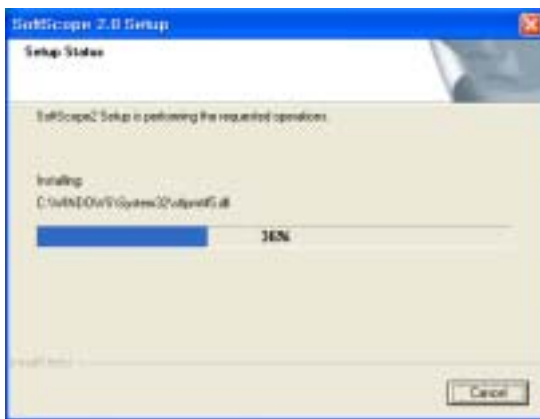


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8. Check the setup information. Click Next to start copying of files.



9. This Status dialog is displayed during copying of files.



10. After Installing SoftScope, the installation program will check the DirectX version of your computer. If it is later than 6.0, the installation program will skip the DirectX Setup.



10.1 If it is earlier than 6.0 or no DirectX installed on your computer, you must reinstall DirectX.

if you install from CD-ROM, DirectX Setup will start up.

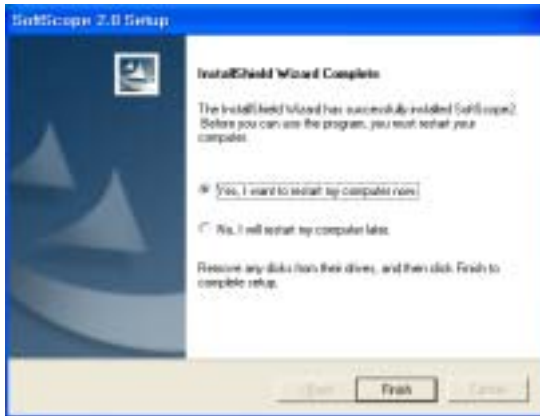
If you download SoftScope_with_DirectX.exe, DirectX will be installed automatically.

If you download SoftScope.exe, you must download DirectX also.

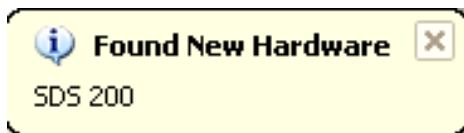
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10.2 Follow the directions of the DirectX Setup.(In case of installing the files downloaded from internet, you must download and install DirectX!)

11. Select if you reboot or not, you must reboot to use SDS 200(A).



12. When computer restarts, new hardware is found.



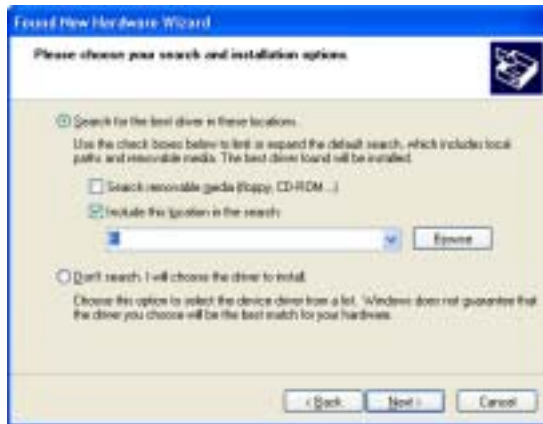
13. New hardware search wizard starts.

Select 'Automatically install software' and then 'Next'.



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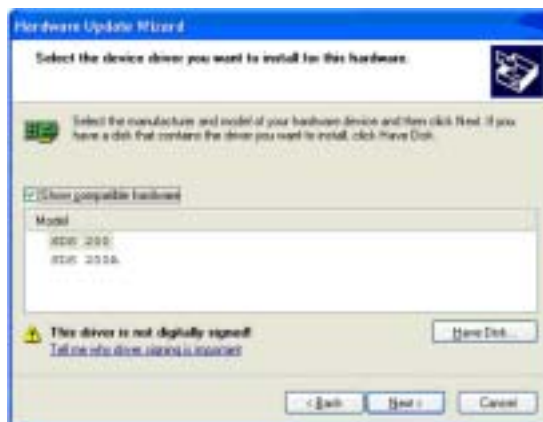
14. Set the driver search location to CD-Rom and then 'Next'.



15. New hardware search wizard starts to search.



16. Select 'sds 200' driver and 'Next'.

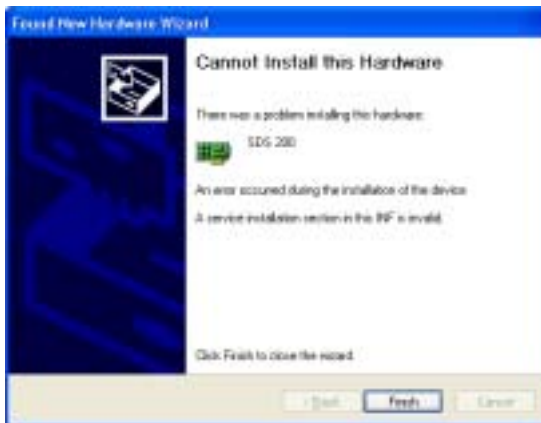


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17. New hardware wizard installs software.



18. Finish new hardware search wizard.



4. SDS 200(A) Setup

Caution!) SoftScope must be installed before using SDS 200(A). This setup process is done once, at the first time of connection.

1. Connect the A-Type Plug of USB cable to your PC's USB port.



2. Connect the B-Type Plug of USB cable to SDS 200(A)'s USB port.



3. SDS 200(A) will be detected automatically. (The picture is captured under Windows98 SE environment)



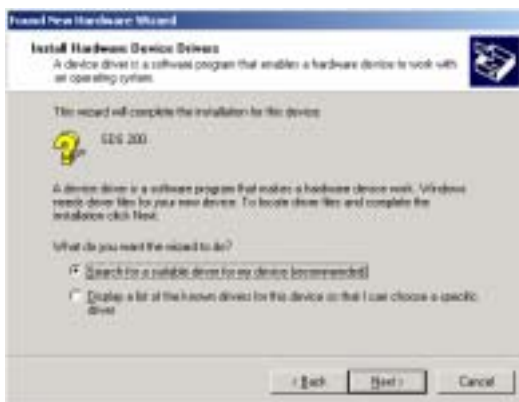
5. Setup sds200(a).inf under windows 2000

When sds200(a).inf file is not be detected automatically, you see the following dialog box.



In this case you must install sds200(a).inf file manually.

1. Choose 'Search for a suitable driver for my device' button. Click Next to continue.

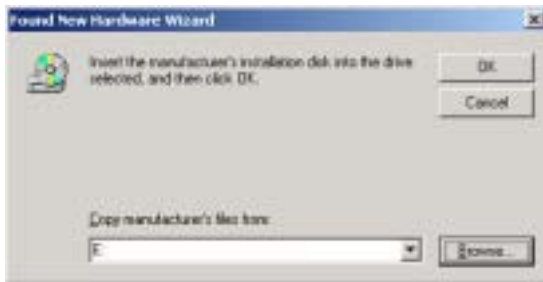


2. Specify a location. Click Next to continue.

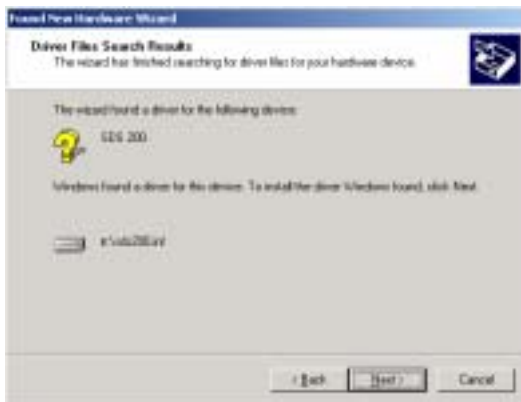


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3. The sds200(a).inf file is located in SoftScope CD-ROM root directory. Specify the location by either entering or browsing.



4. sds200(a).inf file is detected automatically. Click Next to continue.



5. Click Finish.



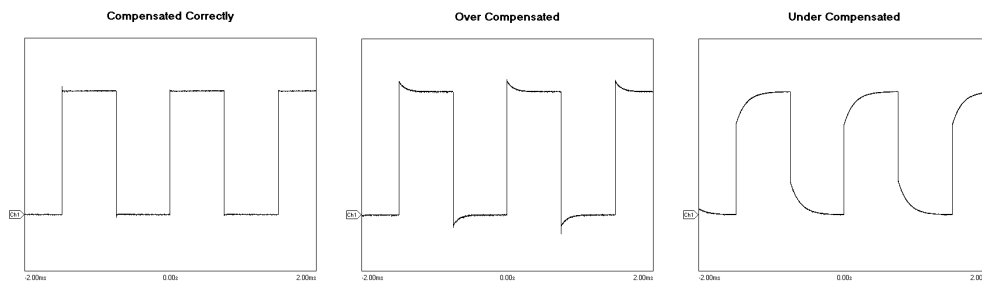
6. Probe Calibration

SDS 200(A) calibration

1. When manufactured, SDS 200(A) is calibrated manually to obtain maximum performance.
2. You may calibrate SDS 200(A) 5 or 6 months after purchase.

Probe Compensation

1. You must use a probe with more than 200MHz bandwidth to get undistorted signal.
2. Probe should be compensated whenever it is connected for the first time.
3. Connect calibration signal to channel 1, then push AUTASET.
4. Check the shape of the displayed waveform.
5. Adjust the probe until the displayed waveform is compensated.



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1. Simple Measurement

1. Start SoftScope.
2. SoftScope checks the internal state of SDS 200(A), USB communication status and then read initialization data.



3. Connect channel 1 probe to the calibration terminal.



4.  Push the autoset button.

5. SoftScope sets vertical/horizontal scale automatically.

6. Join dots to a solid line.

- A. SoftScope displays the data from SDS 200(A) as a dotted line.
- B. To see the waveform more clearly, push the line-join icon.

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7. Add persistence effect.

A. Persistence effect is analog-scope like effect that remembers the history of displayed waveforms.

With persistence effect, you can see the more frequent line clearer.

B. Change the persistence effect coefficient.

8. Change the intensity of the waveform.

A. Just as in changing the persistence effect, you can change the intensity.

B. By changing the scroll bar in the menu, you can see a more/less distinct line.

2. Basic Operations

Change Vertical Scale(Volt/Div)

1. Press the voltage change panel in the screen. (Same method to Channel 2, Math, Reference)

- Select Volt/Div to change.
- Voltage per scale is changed.



2. Press voltage change icon .

- Shape of cursor is changed to , meaning Channel 1(When it is a channel 1). (The shape of cursor differs for each channel.)

- : Can measure using horizontal and vertical axis at the same time.
- : Can measure using horizontal axis.(Measure Voltage)
- : Can measure using vertical axis.(Measure Period and Frequency)

3. Change vertical scale(volt/div) from menu and hot-key.

- A. Channel →Ch1 Setting →Volt Scale
- B. Press the appropriate hot-key.

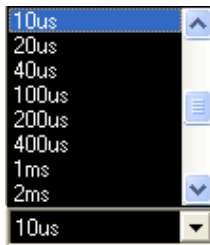
4. Change AC/DC setting.

- A. Push the AC/DC icon to change.
- B. Push the same button once more to restore.

Change Horizontal Scale(Time/Div)

1. Change horizontal scale(time/div) from panel.

- A.  Push time scale change panel.
- B. Set the time/div scale with mouse or keyboard.
- C. Horizontal scale is changed.



2. Change horizontal scale(time/div) with mouse button.

- A.  Push time scale change icon.
- B. Cursor is changed to “T”.
- C. Push the left/right mouse button to change volt/div.
- D. With mouse that supports scroll button, change the trigger point.

3. Change horizontal scale(time/div) from menu and hot-key.

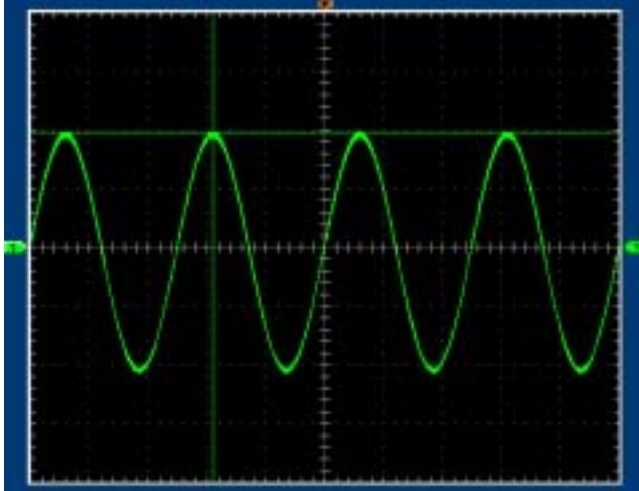
- A. Channel → Time Scale.
- B. Press the appropriate hot-key.

Measurement Using Cursor

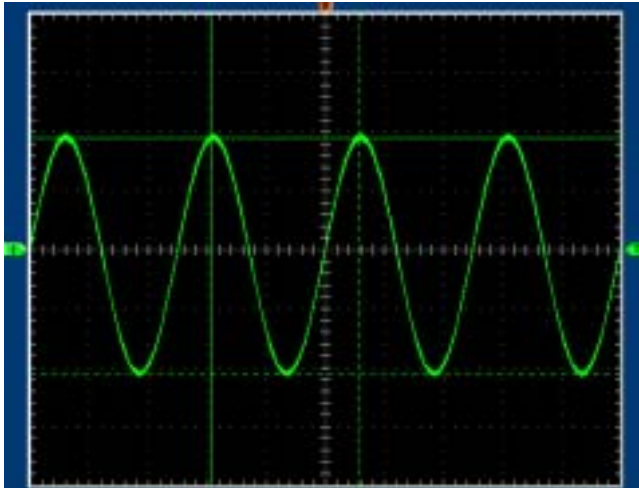
Measure voltage and time offset simply using mouse.

A.  Push icon and the cursor is changed to cross .

B. Push left mouse button, and the cross lines appear.



C. Drag the mouse button to the point you want to measure.



D. Release the left mouse button, the voltage difference and time difference will be shown at the status bar.

Horizontal : @=692.00us, d=492.00us, f=2.03kHz	Vertical : @=1.61V, d=2.44V
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E. Push right mouse button, and the cross lines disappear.

Measurement by Icon

SDS 200(A) has many measurement functions.

CH1 CH2 Math            Next	 Pk-Pk	-Peak-to-peak = Max – Min -Measured over the entire waveform
	 Max	-Voltage of the absolute maximum level -Measured over the entire waveform
	 Min	-Voltage of the absolute minimum level -Measured over the entire waveform
	 Amp	-Amp = Base – Top -Measured over the entire waveform
	 Base	-Voltage of the statistical minimum level -Measured over the entire waveform
	 Top	-Voltage of the statistical maximum level -Measured over the entire waveform
	 Upper threshold	-Voltage of the 90% level from base to top
	 Middle threshold	-Voltage of the 50% level from base to top
	 Lower threshold	-Voltage of the 10% level from base to top
	 Mean	-The arithmetic mean over the entire waveform
	 Cycle mean	-The arithmetic mean over the first cycle in the waveform
	 RMS	-The Root Mean Square voltage over the entire waveform

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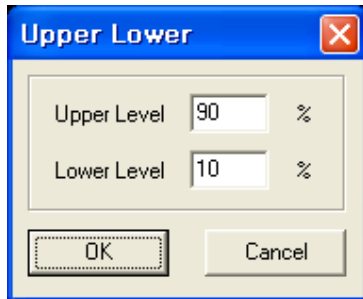
☒ CH1 ☐ CH2 ☐ Math		Cycle RMS	- The Root Mean Square voltage over the first cycle in the waveform
		Positive Overshoot	- Positive Overshoot = $(\text{Max} - \text{Top})/\text{Amp} \times 100 \%$ - Measured over the entire waveform
		Negative Overshoot	- Negative Overshoot = $(\text{Base} - \text{Min})/\text{Amp} \times 100 \%$ - Measured over the entire waveform
		Period	- Time to take for the first signal cycle to complete in the waveform - Measured in seconds
		Frequency	- Reciprocal of the period of the first cycle in the waveform - Measured in Hertz(Hz)
		Rise time	- Time taken from lower threshold to upper threshold
		Fall time	- Time taken from upper threshold to lower threshold
		Positive Duty Cycle	- Positive Duty Cycle = $(\text{Positive Pulse Width})/\text{Period} \times 100\%$ - Measured of the first cycle in waveform
		Negative Duty Cycle	- Negative Duty Cycle = $(\text{Negative Pulse Width})/\text{Period} \times 100\%$ - Measured of the first cycle in waveform
		Positive Pulse Width	- Measured of the first positive pulse in the waveform - The time between the 50% amplitude points
		Negative Pulse Width	- Measured of the first
		Next	- View next icons

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Upper/Lower Level Setting

Set Upper/Lower Ratio

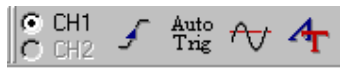
Upper/Lower standard value should be given to obtain Rising Time and Falling Time. Upper/lower ratio for overall waveform(%) is set using this function and this value is used to calculate Rising/Falling Time Measurement.



Change Trigger Level & Trigger Point

1. Set the trigger input source.

- A. With only one channel on, trigger input source is automatically set to the channel. With 2 channels on, you can choose trigger input source between the two.
- B. Change trigger source from the radio-button.



C. Change trigger source from menu bar.

EX) Trigger → Trigger Source CH1 or CH2

D. Change trigger input source using hot key.

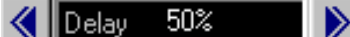
2. Change the trigger level.

A.  Move the trigger level icon, you can move the trigger level.

B. Input the trigger level from editor 

3. Change the trigger point.

A.  Move the trigger point icon, you can move the trigger point.

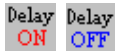
B. Input the trigger point from editor: 

4. Change the trigger condition.

A.  Push the trigger up/down icon to change trigger condition.

B. Use menu or hot-key. (Trigger → Trigger Up/Down)

5. Set delay on/off.

A.  Push the delay button to set delay on or off.

B. When delay on, the trigger point separates from the horizontal expansion point. The horizontal expansion point stays at the center of the screen.

Single Shot/Stop Mode

1. Change state to stop or single shot.

A. Push the stop button , SDS 200(A) is in stop state.

B. Every operation is the same as in the running state.

2. Single-shot action.

A. Push the single-shot button  to acquire only 1 waveform after the trigger condition you set.

B. Single-shot is available only in Real Time mode.

C. Push the single-shot button again to pause, SDS 200(A) waits for the trigger signal again.

Put Label on The Screen

1. Add a label on the screen.

A.  Push the label icon.

B. The mouse cursor is changed to 'I' shape.

C. Push the left mouse button.

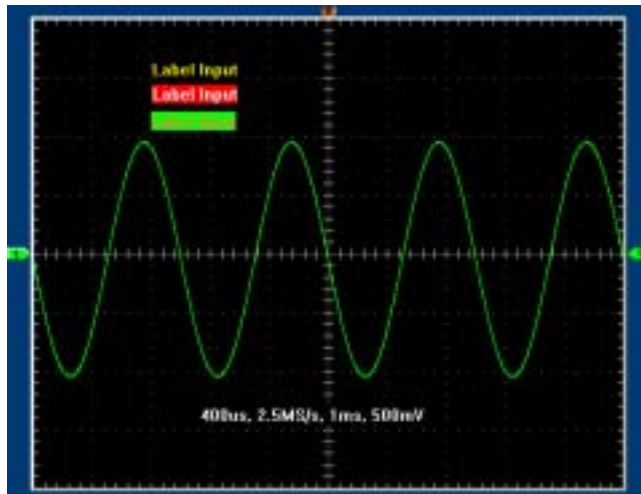
D. Input string.



E. Change the text/back color.

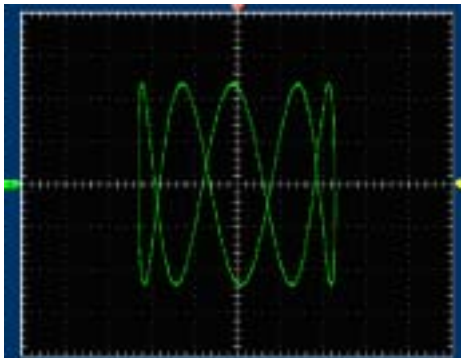
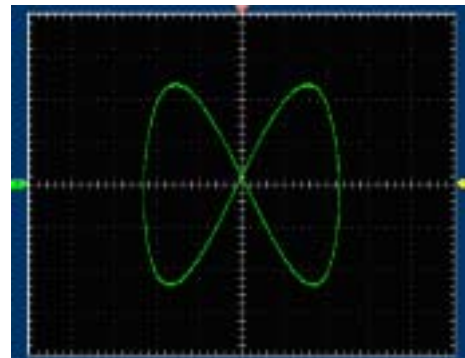
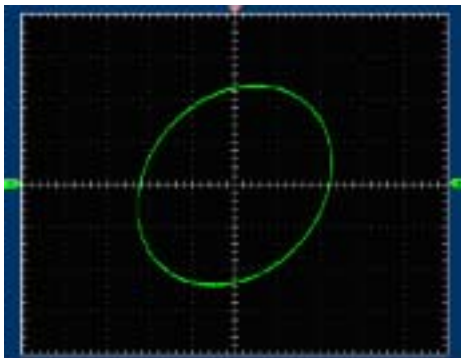
F. Push the confirm button to finish.

G. Change the label by clicking the label again.



XY Plot

XY Plot acts to analyze correlation of data of two channels. Lissajous diagram is displayed in the screen when you use XY Plot, which enables to compare frequencies, amplitudes and phases of counterpart waveform against the reference waveform. This makes it possible to compare and analyze frequency, amplitude and phase between input and output.

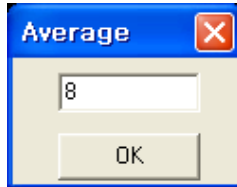


Average

Add acquired waveform as many as the number of average, calculate and display the average.

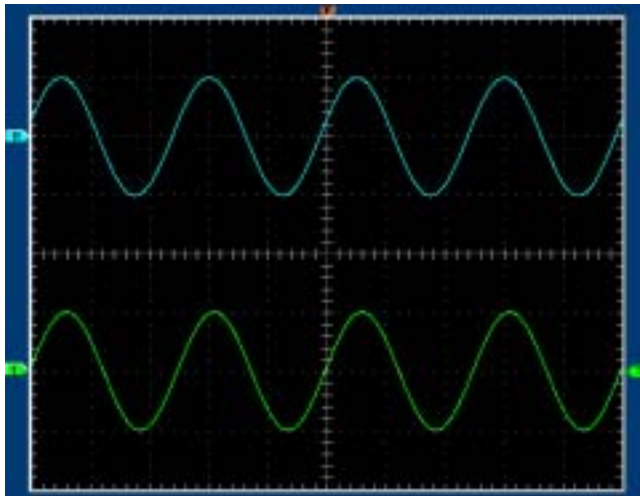
Perform Moving Average for 2 waves to 256 waves and display it in the screen.

Average function is applied to real time Mode and ETS Mode, and this function can not be used when role Mode and ETS Mode are turned off.



Reference

Reference waveform can be used after saving the waveforms in the channel 1 or channel 2.



Can work in 'File' of menu.

Load Reference() : load Reference waveform saved in the form of file.

Save Channel1 As Reference() : Save the current channel 1 as Reference waveform and load it as Reference waveform.

Save Channel2 As Reference() : Save the current channel 2 as Reference waveform and load it as Reference waveform.

Bandwidth Limit(SDS 200A)

Eliminate high-frequency element of input signal.

Signal over 20MHz is not accepted.

Invert

Invert the phase of input signal.

Trigger High Frequency Reject(SDS 200A)

Eliminate high-frequency element of trigger signal.

Signal over 20KHz is not triggered.

Peak Detect(SDS 200A)

In peak detection mode, it accepts minimum and maximum amplitude from 2 continuous intervals and displays in the screen.

Possibility of aliasing can be removed using peak detection function.

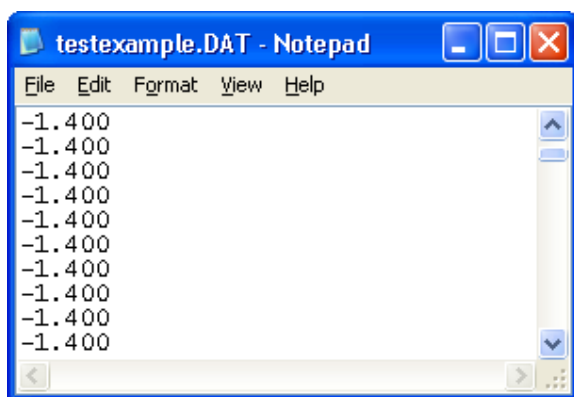
3. Print/Save Waveform

1. Save acquired waveform in the following formats.

- A. Text File
- B. JPG/BMP File
- C. Excel File
- D. Word File

2. Save as text format.

- A. In Menu-> File-> 'Save As DAT' / Toolbar, select 'Save As DAT' icon().
- B. Save after selecting the file name and location of saving.
- C. When reading the saved file, it appears as follows:

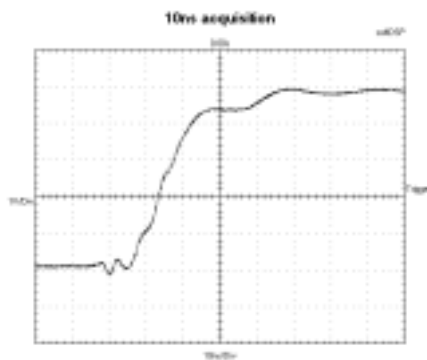


3. Save as JPG/BMP format.

- A. In 'Menu' - 'File', select 'Save As JPG'() or 'Save As BMP'().
- B. Save after selecting the file name and location of saving.
- C. Option for saving of image can be selected in 'File' -> 'Option'.

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Example) Saved BMP File



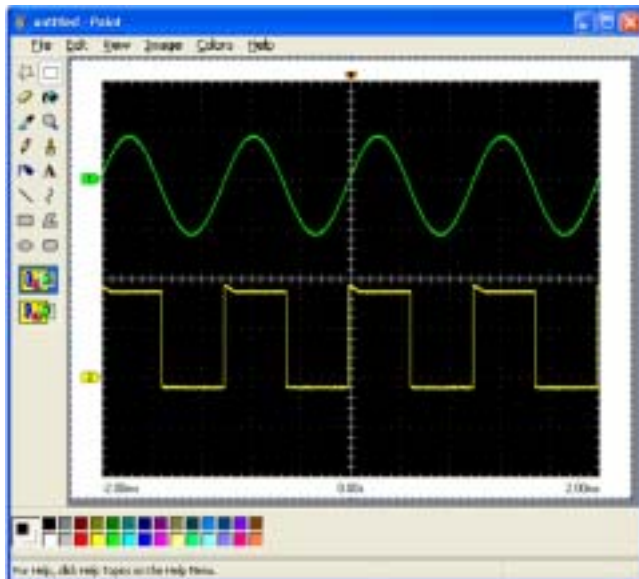
4. Copy the image into clipboard.

A. Select Copy from the File menu.

B. Waveform is copied into clipboard.

C. Paste the image into any program that supports clipboard paste.

Following is the screen for copying the waveform to the image board using clip board.

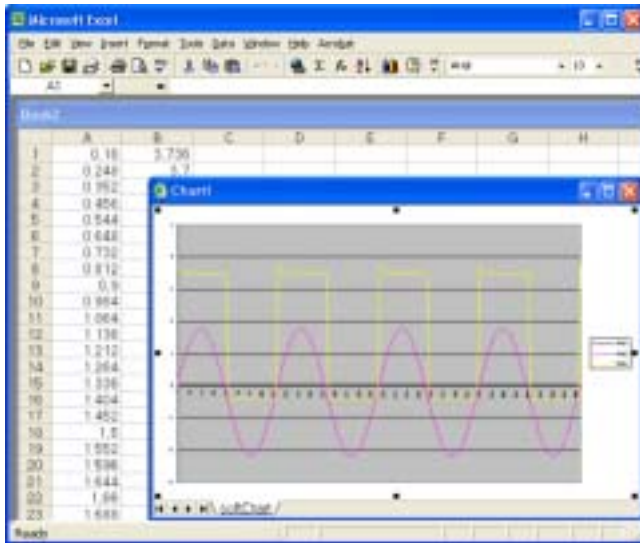


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5. Transfer the data to MS Excel using ActiveX automation.

A. Select Copy at the File menu.

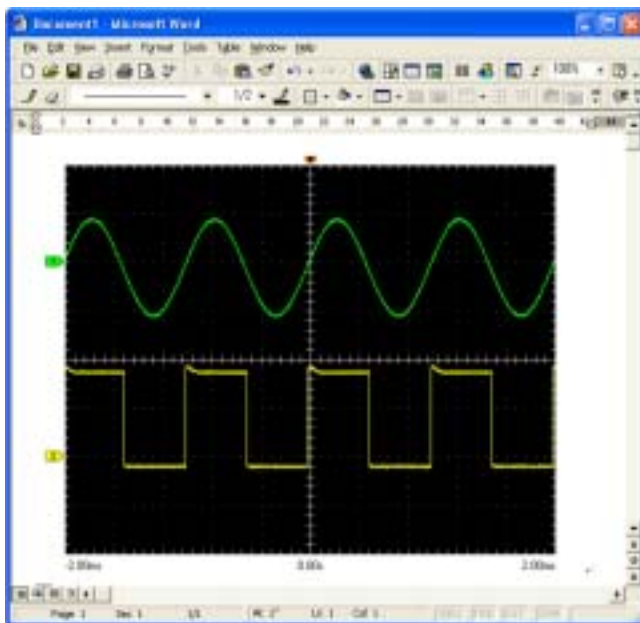
B. MS Excel is activated and then data is transferred by using ActiveX.



6. You can save the data to MS Word using ActiveX automation.

A. In 'Menu' -> 'File', select 'Save As Word'.

B. MS Word is activated and then data is transferred by using ActiveX.



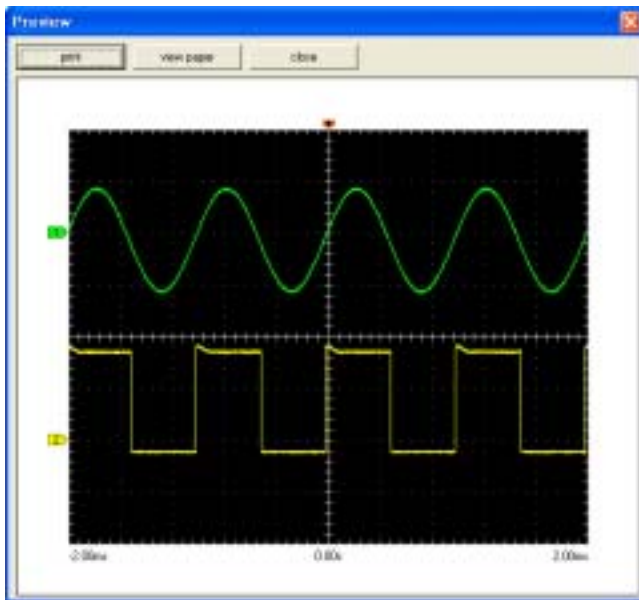
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7. Print the waveform.

A. Display the waveform, by selecting 'Print' / Toolbar printer icon () in 'Menu' -> 'File'.

B. Display the screen to print by selecting 'Preview' / Toolbar preview icon () in 'Menu' -> 'File' -> 'Preview'.

Example) Preview screen



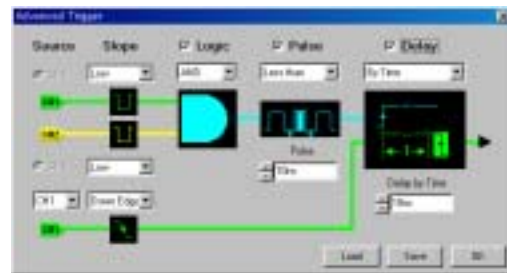
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1. Advanced Trigger

You can return to normal trigger mode by uncheck Logic, Pulse, Delay check box in the advanced trigger dialog box.



(Normal trigger mode)



(Advanced trigger mode)

Edge Trigger

The Edge Trigger generates a trigger when the source signal passes through a specified level in either positive or negative direction, set by the user. This is the same trigger type found in a conventional analog oscilloscope. The source, the slope and the level must be set for Edge Trigger operation.

Source: CH1/CH2

-Selects the trigger source.

Slope: Up Edge/Down Edge

-Selects the slope of the source.

Level: +/- 4 vertical screen divisions (Full screen range)

-Selects the level of the input signal where the Edge Trigger is generated. The level is selected by trigger level pointer at the right-hand side of the display screen and the source is selected from the tool bar radio button.

Logic Trigger(SDS 200)

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The Logic Trigger generates a trigger depending on the logical relation between the state of the two input channels. AND, NAND, OR, NOR, XOR, XNOR Logic Triggers are available and the two input states can be negated if selected.

Ch1 state: High/Low

-Selects the state of channel 1 signal for Logic Trigger input

Ch2 state: High/Low

-Selects the state of channel 2 signal for Logic Trigger input

Logic type: AND, NAND, OR, NOR, XOR, XNOR

-Selects logic type

Pulse Trigger

The Pulse Trigger generates a trigger if the pulse width of the input signal is either less or more than the preset time.

Equation: Less than/More than

- Selects whether the trigger is generated when the pulse is less than or more than the preset pulse time value.

Time: 10ns ~ 167ms

- Selects the pulse width time

Delay Trigger

The Delay Trigger generates a trigger by waiting for a preset time or number of events after a primary trigger from combination of edge, logic and pulse trigger is generated and when the first trigger from the secondary trigger source is detected.

Equation: By time/By event

- Selects the delay condition either by time or by event.

Delay condition : By Time(1us~167ms), By Event(1~16,777,215 event)

=> When operating By event, two inputs of Delay trigger is called Primary trigger and Secondary trigger

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respectively. Due to features of hardware, delay time of 1 μ s exists before first effective input of Secondary trigger comes after satisfying Delay conditions by input of Primary trigger.

Secondary trigger source: CH1/CH2

- Selects the trigger source of the secondary trigger.

Secondary trigger slope: Rising/Falling

- Selects the slope of the secondary trigger.

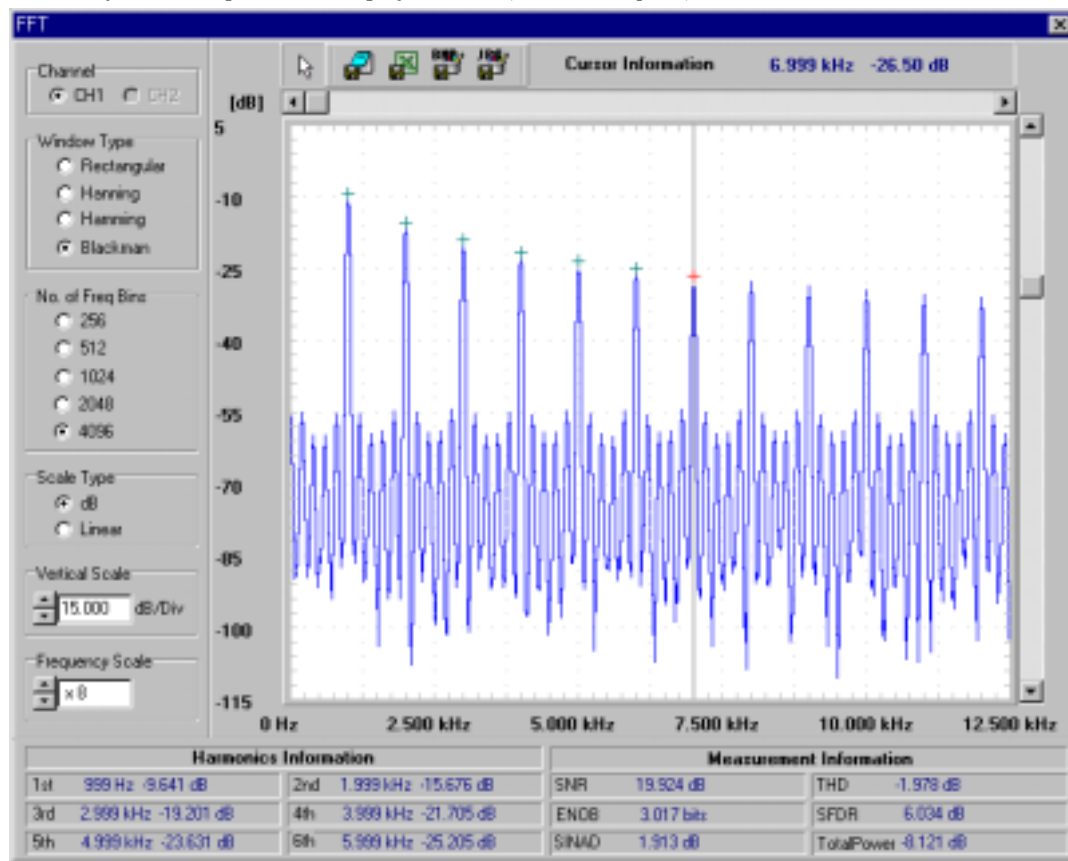
2. FFT function

FFT(Fast Fourier Transform)

This function analyze the frequency component of current waveform.

1.  Pushing the FFT icon, the FFT dialog box appears.

< The voltage component analyzed using FFT is displayed as Volt unit, and the value transformed as log scale or by other computation is displayed as rms(root mean square) value.>



2. The left setting menu of the FFT dialog box.

Channel	Sets input source for FFT analysis
Window Type	Sets digital filter type
No. of Freq Bins	Sets size of digital filter
Scale Type	Sets y scale type as Linear or Log scale
Vertical Scale	Sets vertical scale
Frequency Scale	Sets horizontal scale

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	If the information is more than the quantity displayed to the display window, more information is displayed by using scroll bar.
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3. The above menu bar of the FFT dialog box



:Save the FFT information as various data type

- Save As Text : This Button saves the FFT information as text formation.
- Save As Excel : This Button transfers the FFT information to MS Excel using ActiveX automation.
- Save As Bmp : This Button saves the FFT information as Bitmap Image.
- Save As Jpg : This Button saves the FFT information as Jpeg Image.

Cursor Information	6.999 kHz	-26.50 dB
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: This shows the information of Cursor.

Example) This means that frequency of cursor point is 3.6MHz and amplitude is 0.029Volts.



:FFT Cursor On/Off

4. The below information window of the FFT dialog box

Harmonics Information					
1st	999 Hz -9.641 dB		2nd	1.999 kHz -15.676 dB	
3rd	2.999 kHz -19.201 dB		4th	3.999 kHz -21.705 dB	
5th	4.999 kHz -23.631 dB		6th	5.999 kHz -25.205 dB	

: This shows the information of Harmonics.

Measurement Information			
SNR	19.924 dB	THD	-1.978 dB
ENOB	3.017 bits	SFDR	6.034 dB
SINAD	1.913 dB	TotalPower	-8.121 dB

: This shows the information about measurement of FFT.

$\sum V_i^2$: Amplitude of the fundamental frequency

$\sum H_i^2$: Sum of Amplitude of Harmornic(excluding fundamental frequency)

$\sum N_i^2$: Sum of Noise (excluding fundamental frequency, Harmonics, DC and Nyquist bins)

F : Total Number of bins

F_h : Total Number of bins of Harmonic

F_n : Total Number of bins of Noise.

- SNR(Signal to Noise Ratio) : The ratio of the amplitude of the fundamental frequency to the Noise.

$$SNR = 10 \log_{10} \left[\frac{\sum V_i^2}{\frac{F}{F_n} \sum N_i^2} \right] dB$$

ENOB(Effective Number of Bits) : The number of bits in an ideal converter that would be required to give the same SNR performance.

$$ENOB = \frac{SNR - 1.76}{6.02} bits$$

- SINAD(Signal to Noise and Distortion) : The ratio of the amplitude of fundamental frequency to the Noise, but Noise include Harmonics.

$$SINAD = 10 \log_{10} \left[\frac{\sum V_i^2}{\frac{F - F_h}{F_n} \sum N_i^2 + \sum H_i^2} \right]$$

- THD(Total Harmonic Distortion) : The ratio of the rms sum of the harmonics to the rms value of the fundamental.

$$THD = 10 \log_{10} \left[\frac{\sum H_i^2}{\sum V_i^2} \right] dB$$

- SFDR(Spurious Free Dynamic Range) The ratio of the rms signal amplitude to the rms value of the peak spurious spectral component. The peak spurious component may or may not be a harmonic.

$\sum S_i^2$: The rms value of the peak spurious spectral component.

$$SFDR = 10 \log_{10} \left[\frac{\sum V_i^2}{\sum S_i^2} \right] dB$$

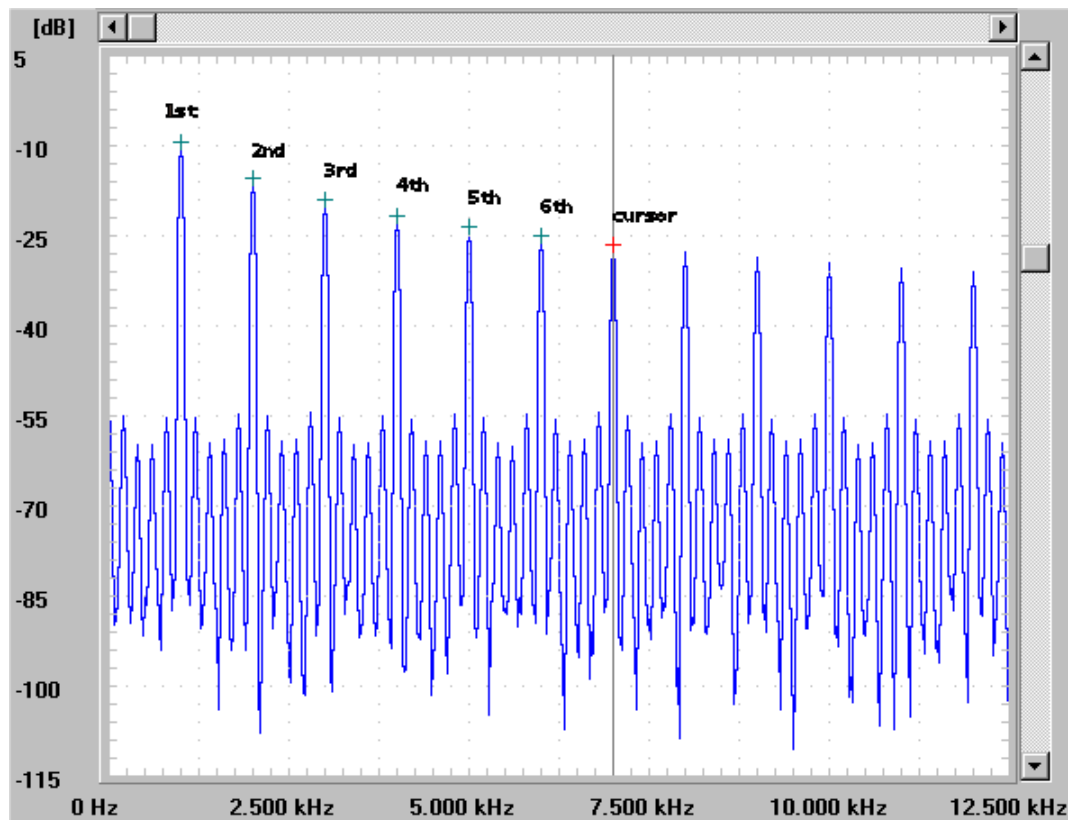
- Total Power : The rms value of the sum of all spectral components.

$\sum A_i^2$: Sum of Noise excluding DC and Nyquist.

$$TotalPower = 10 \log_{10} \left[\sum A_i^2 \right] dB$$

$$THD = 20 \log_{10} \frac{\sqrt{V_2^2 + V_3^2 + V_4^2 + V_5^2 + V_6^2}}{V_1}$$

5. The FFT display window



:Each green cross points to the Harmonics and red cross points to the cursor.

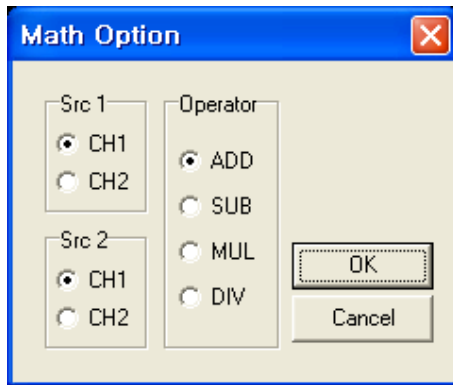
A coordinate axis of X displays the frequency and a coordinate axis of Y displays the amplitude of the frequency.

The scrollbar of horizontal and vertical move the base of coordinate axis of X and Y.

3. Math

Add/Subtract/Multiply/Divide the two waveforms.

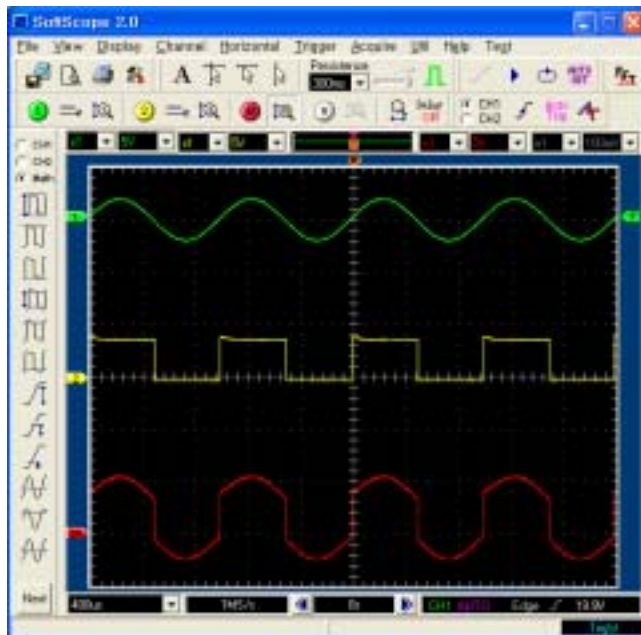
1.  Push the Math icon.



Src1/Src2	Sets input source.
Operator	Sets operation method

2. Select source 1, source 2 and operator from the dialog box.

Example) Input1 waveform + Input2 waveform



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1. Toolbar



1. Save As Dat	-Save as “.dat” file
2. Preview	-Previews current waveform
3. Print	-Prints current waveform
4. Option	-Shows option dialog box
5. Label	-Shows label on the screen
6. Cross Cursor	-On/Off function of Cross Cursor
7. Horizontal Cursor	-On/Off function of Horizontal Cursor
8. Vertical Cursor	-On/Off function of Vertical Cursor
9. Persistence	-Sets persistence time
10. Intensity	-Sets intensity of the waveform
11. Line Join	-Joins the dots to lines
12. ETS ON/OFF	-Sets ETS(Equivalent Time Sampling) On/Off
13. Run/Stop	-Starts waveform acquisitions -Stops waveform acquisitions
14. Single Shot	-Executes a single-shot acquisition
15. Auto Shot	-Adjusts the vertical, horizontal, and trigger controls for a usable display automatically
16. FFT	-Shows FFT dialog box
17. Channel 1 On/Off	-Channel 1 On/Off
18. Channel 1 AC/DC/GND	-Select Channel 1 AC/DC/GND
19. Channel 1 Voltage Scale	-Adjust Channel 1 Volt/Div
20. Channel 2 On/Off	-Channel 2 On/Off
21. Channel 2 AC/DC/GND	-Select Channel 2 AC/DC/GND
22. Channel 2 Voltage Scale	-Adjust Channel 2 Volt/Div
23. Math On/Off	-Math On/Off

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24. Math Voltage Scale	-Adjust Math Volt/Div
25. Reference On/Off	-Reference On/Off
26. Reference Voltage Scale	-Adjust Reference Volt/Div
27. Time/Div	-Adjust Time/Div
28. Delay On/Off	-Sets trigger delay on -Sets trigger delay off
29. Trigger Source	-Sets trigger source to a specific channel
30. Trigger Up/Down	-Triggers on the rising edge of the signal -Triggers on the falling edge of the signal
31. Auto/Normal Trigger	-Enables free running waveform acquisitions -Triggers only on valid trigger events
32. Advanced Trigger	-Shows advanced trigger dialog box

2. Screen Information

SoftScope has the following windows to show the internal states and settings.

1.  : Channel 1 Window

- Display current probe Attenuation (1:1, 1:10, 1:100, 1:1000).
- Display current Volt/Div.
- Click mouse to change set up value.

2. Configuration of Channel 2 Window() , Math Window() ,

Reference Window() is same as the Channel 1 window.

3.  : Time Window

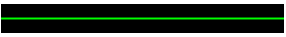
- Display current Time/Div.
- Click mouse and change set up value.

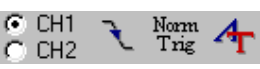
4.  : Trigger status display window

- A.  When SDS 200(A) is in a delay-on state it shows the current trigger point using time dimension.

- B.  When SDS 200(A) is in a delay-off state it shows the current trigger point using % scale.

5.  : Trigger point display window

- A.  The trigger point shows the trigger position in the acquired waveform.
- B.  This line shows the whole acquired waveform.
- C.  You can see the data currently showing using [] mark.
- D.  This mark shows the reference point when horizontal scale(time/div) is changed.

6.  : Trigger state selection tool bar

- A.  CH1 Trigger source selection radio button

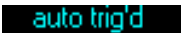
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B.  Trigger mode (Auto/Normal)

C.  Trigger condition (Up edge/Down edge)

D.  Trigger state display window.

Display trigger source, trigger mode, trigger type, trigger slop and trigger level.

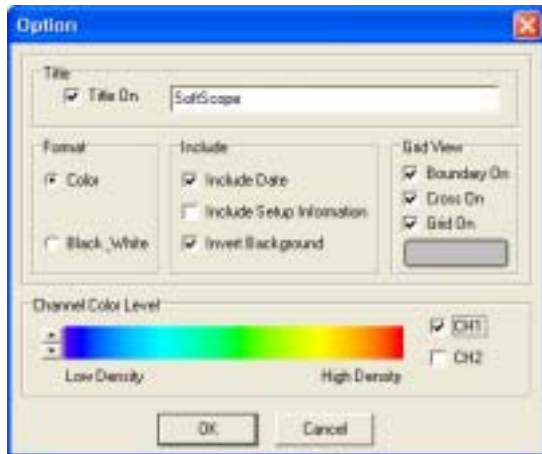
7.  : Trigger state of current acquired waveform

A. 'Auto trig'd' - Trigger signal is automatically generated because of no valid triggered signal.

B. Waiting – SDS 200(A) is waiting for the incoming trigger.

C. Trig'd – Acquired waveform is triggered.

3. Option Dialog Box



Title On	-Check to include title on file/print output
Title	-Use to set the title on file/print output
Format	-Sets color or Black or white type
Include	-Check to include information
Grid View	-Sets the graticule type
Channel Color Level	-Sets color level of waveform -Check to display waveform in color

4. Menu

File

Name	Sub Menu	Operation	Hot-key
Save As DAT		Save as DAT File format	Ctrl +S
Save As JPG		Save as JPG File format	
Save As BMP		Save as BMP File format	
Save As Word		Saves waveform as word file	F4
Save As Excel		Saves waveform as excel file	F5
Option		Selects the waveform or screen option	F6
Copy		Saves waveform to clipboard	Ctrl + C
Load Reference		Load Reference file.	
Save Channel1 As Reference		Save and load channel 1 waveform as Reference waveform	
Save Channel2 As Reference		Save and load channel 1 waveform as Reference form	
Preview		Previews the waveform	F7
Print		Prints the waveform	Ctrl + P
Exit		Stops the SoftScope and return	Ctrl + X

View

Name	Sub Menu	Operation	Hot-key
File Toolbar		Shows/Hides File Toolbar	Ctrl + F1
Display Toolbar		Shows/Hides Display Toolbar	Ctrl + F2
Channel Toolbar		Shows/Hides Channel Toolbar	Ctrl + F3
Run/Stop Toolbar		Shows/Hides Run/Stop Toolbar	Ctrl + F4
Trigger Toolbar		Shows/Hides Trigger Toolbar	Ctrl + F5
Utile Toolbar		Display/hide Utile Toolbar	Ctrl + F6

Display

Name	Sub Menu	Operation	Hot-key
Line Join On/Off		Joins the waveform with line	Ctrl + J

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Persistence		Changes the persistence effect	Ctrl + E
Intensity	+	Increases intensity of waveform	Ctrl + Inc
	–	Decreases intensity of waveform	Ctrl + Del
Label Edit On/Off		Inserts text to waveform	Ctrl + L
Cross Cursor On/Off		On/Off Cross Cursor	Ctrl + U
Horizontal Cursor On/Off		On/Off Horizontal Cursor	
Vertical Cursor On/Off		On/Off Vertical Cursor	

Channel

Name	Sub Menu	Operation	Hot-key
Channel1	On/Off	On/Off	Shift + F1
	Voltage	Change Volt/Div setting	Shift + F5
	Probe Attenuation	Change Probe Attenuation	
	AC/DC/GND Coupling	Change AC/DC/GND	Shift + F2
	Invert On/Off	Change phase of waveform	
	Bandwidth Limit (SDS 200A)	Bandwidth limit	
Channel2	On/Off	On/Off	Shift + F7
	Voltage	Change Volt/Div setting	Shift + F11
	Probe Attenuation	Change Probe Attenuation	
	AC/DC/GND Coupling	Change AC/DC/GND	Shift + F8
	Invert On/Off	Change phase of waveform	
	Bandwidth Limit (SDS 200A)	Bandwidth limit	
Math	On/Off	On/Off	Ctrl + M
	Voltage	Change Volt/Div setting	
	Probe Attenuation	Change Probe Attenuation	
	Math Option	Set Option of Math	
Reference	On/Off	On/Off	
	Voltage	Change Volt/Div setting	
	Probe Attenuation	Change Probe Attenuation	

Horizontal

Name	Sub Menu	Operation	Hot-key
Time/Div		Change Time/Div setting	Ctrl + T
Delay On/Off		On/Off Delay	Ctrl + D

Trigger

Name	Sub Menu	Operation	Hot-key
Trigger Source CH1		Selects CH1 from trigger source	Shift+Ctrl+F1
Trigger Source CH2		Selects CH2 from trigger source	Shift+Ctrl+F2
Slope		Selects Up/Down from Trigger Up/Down	Shift+Ctrl+F3
Auto/Normal		Selects Normal/Auto from Trigger Normal/Auto	Shift+Ctrl+F4
Advanced Trigger		Selects Advanced trigger	Shift+Ctrl+F5
Trigger High Frequency Reject On/Off (SDS 200A)		Eliminate trigger high-frequency	

Acquire

Name	Sub Menu	Operation	Hot-key
Run/Stop		Starts/Stops acquiring waveform	Ctrl + R
Single Shot		Begins Single Shot operation	Ctrl + H
Auto Set		Changes horizontal/vertical scale for waveform	Ctrl + A
ETS On/Off		On/Off ETS	
Average		Changes average count number	
Peak Detection (SDS 200A)		Peak Detection On/Off	

Utile

Name	Sub Name	Operation	Hot-key
FFT		Shows FFT form	Ctrl + F
Measurement	Time	-	Ctrl + F
	Voltage	-	
	Upper/Lower Level	Upper/Lower	
XY plot On/Off		On/Off XY plot	Ctrl + Y
Calibration		Processes Offset calibration	Shift+Ctrl+F6

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Measure

Name	Sub Menu	Operation	Hot-key
Voltage	Peak to Peak	Measurement of Peak to Peak Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + P
	Maximum	Measurement of Maximum Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + X
	Minimum	Measurement of Minimum Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + N
	Amplitude	Measurement of Amplitude Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + A
	Top	Measurement of Top Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + T
	Base	Measurement of Base Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + B
	Upper	Measurement of Upper Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + U
	Middle	Measurement of Middle Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + M
	Lower	Measurement of Lower Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + L
	Mean	Measurement of Mean Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + E
	Cycle Mean	Measurement of Cycle Mean Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + C
	RMS	Measurement of RMS Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + R
	Cycle RMS	Measurement of Cycle RMS Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + Y
	Positive Overshoot	Measurement of Positive Overshoot Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + S
	Negative Overshoot	Measurement of Negative Overshoot Voltage	Ctrl+Alt + G
Time	Period	Measurement of Period	Ctrl+Alt + I
	Frequency	Measurement of Frequency	Ctrl+Alt + F
	Rise Time	Measurement of Rise Time	Ctrl+Alt + V
	Fall Time	Measurement of Fall Time	Ctrl+Alt + Z
	Positive Duty Cycle	Measurement of Positive Duty Cycle	Ctrl+Alt + J
	Negative Duty Cycle	Measurement of Negative Duty Cycle	Ctrl+Alt + D
	Positive Pulse Width	Measurement of Positive Pulse Width	Ctrl+Alt + W
	Negative Pulse Width	Measurement of Negative Pulse Width	Ctrl+Alt + H
Upper/Lower Level		Set Upper/Lower ratio	

Help

Name	Sub Name	Operation	Hot-key
Help		Shows help file	F1
About		Displays about Dialog Box	F9

Appendix

Software Calibration

It is necessary for you to calibrate regularly to make the measurements as accurate as possible

1. Short input signal as shown below.



2. Zero calibration dialog box appears.

