OWON Oscilloscope Installation and Use Guide

Welcome to use Oscilloscope analysis software. The kind of communication software is use to acquire, store, analyze and display the data. The instruction book and the following helps are for your reference.

I. PC Software USB Driver Install Guide

USB with better rate and reliability is a kind of data transmission mode to widely use in connecting with PC.(ps: USB interface of Hand Hold type device series is mini USB. Please refer the device instruction)

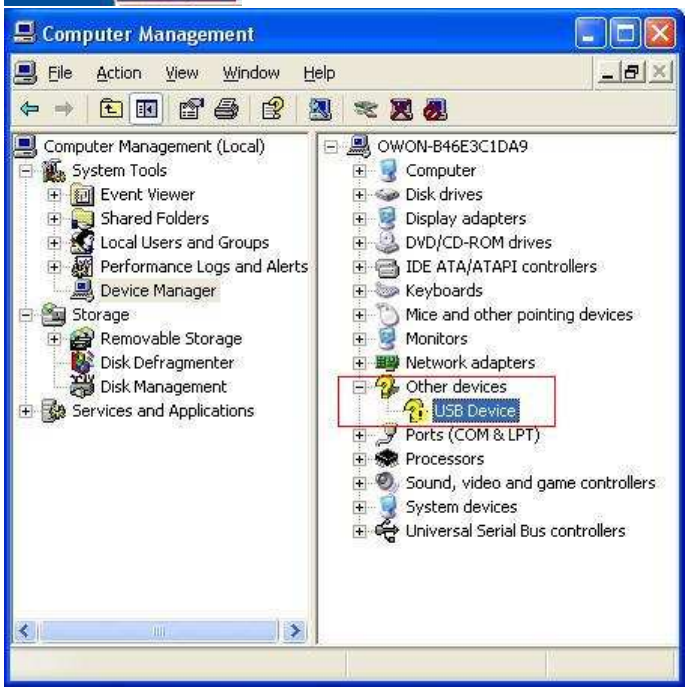
The serial port is another kind of transmission mode in some outdated PC as a supplementary in failure of USB transmission.

The above two are both fit for Windows NT(2000, XP, Vista),while USB driver in Win 98 only for manual installation.

(1). For Windows XP or Windows 2000 (1-1-1)

Notice: for both x86 and x64.
Plug into the running well device to open [Found New Hardware Wizard] dialog.

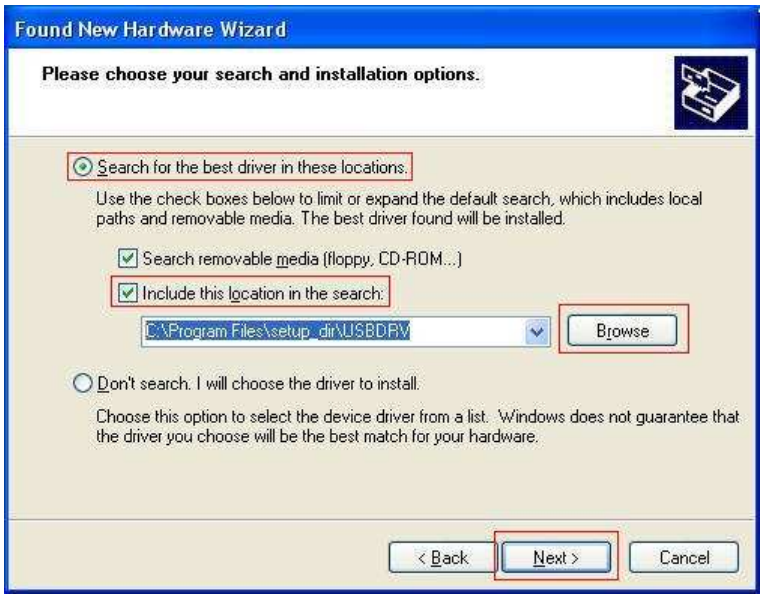
Or you can right click [My Computer] and select [Manage], in the left area of opened [Computer Management] select [Device Manager] , double click the item [USB Device] with "?" in the middle area to open the Wizard,



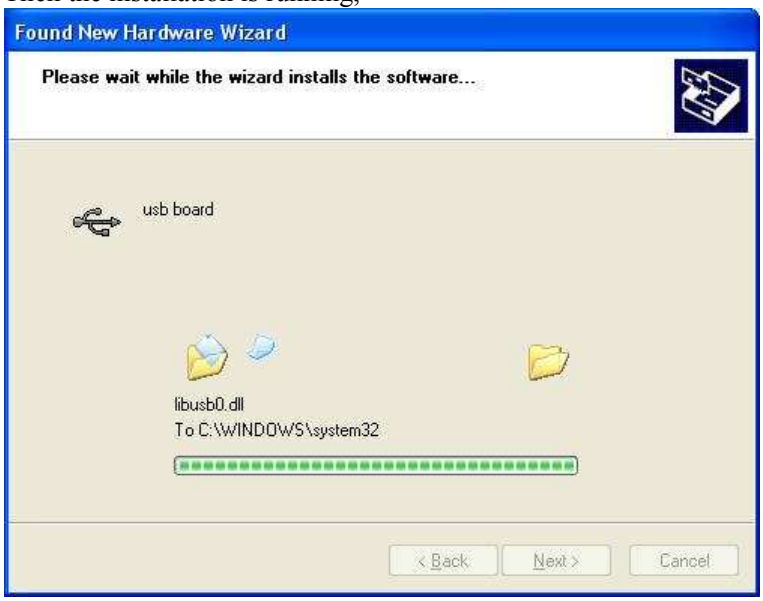
In the Wizard, select [No, not this time] ,

select [Install from a list or specific location(Advanced)] ,

select [Search for the best driver in these locations.] , then select [Include this location in the search] and indicate a directory location for USB driver which is named as “USBDRV” and under the directory where you installed the program at,



Then the installation is running,



And complete,

And prompt as installed,

And show installed in [Device Management],

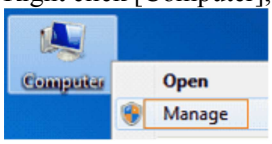
Now you can use the program and use if for USB communication.
If there is an early version of USB driver in your computer, you could try running “reinstall.bat” to fix, the file is under the directory of “USBDRV”.

(2). For Windows Vista or Windows 7

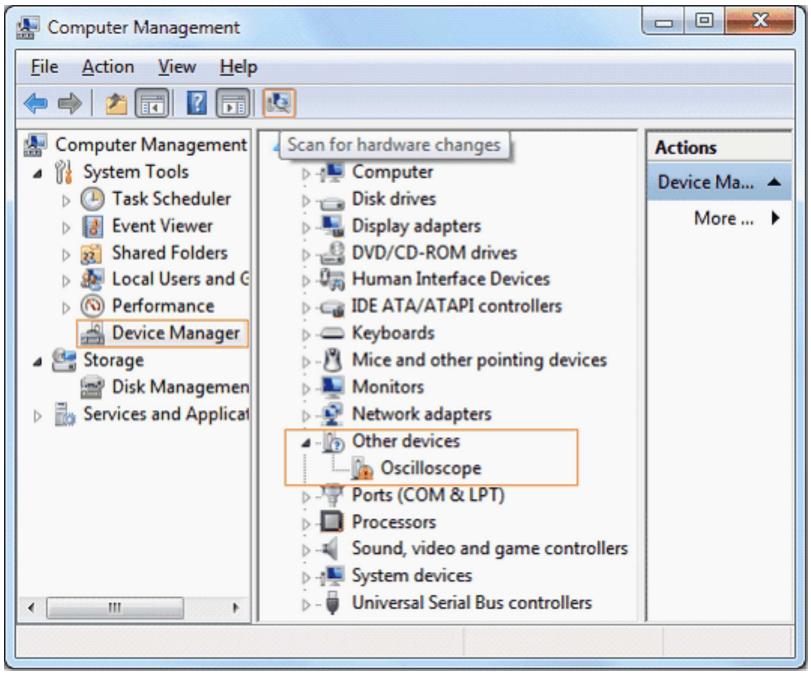
The Microsoft Windows Systems since Windows Vista or Windows 7, change a lot, which require a new installation guide of USB driver. Here it is.

During the whole installation, please assure that the device is running well and plugged into PC from USB.

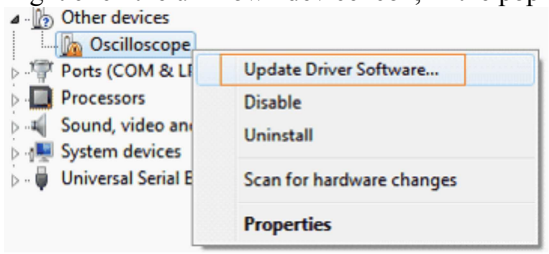
Right click [Computer], you can find it on the desktop, or in [Start] menu.



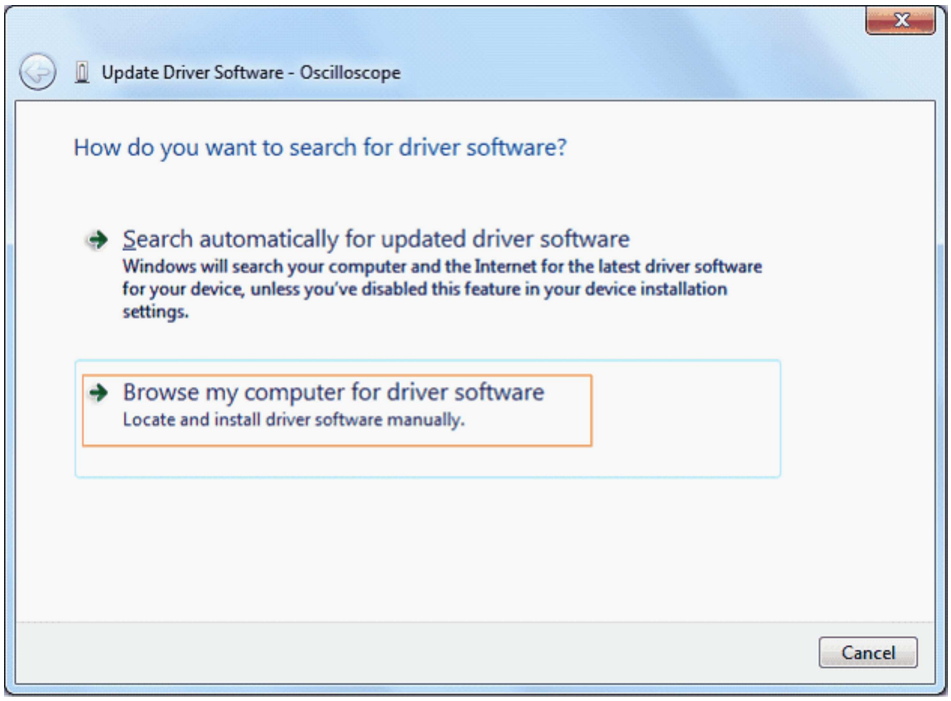
in the pop up menu, click [Manage] and it will open a window named "Computer Management", as follow, in the left side click [Device Manager], it will show a devices tree in the middle, and then click the last one button "Scan for hardware changes" in tool bar as follow, and if the device is running well and plugged into PC, computer will detect an unknown device with a "!" icon.



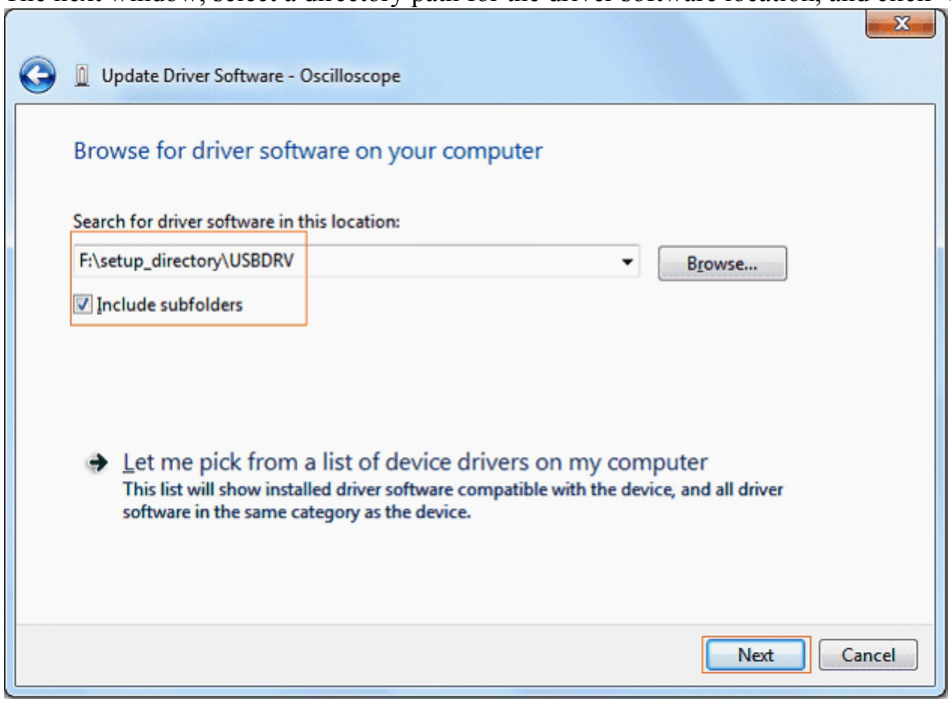
Right click the unknown device icon, in the pop up menu click [Update Driver Software...],



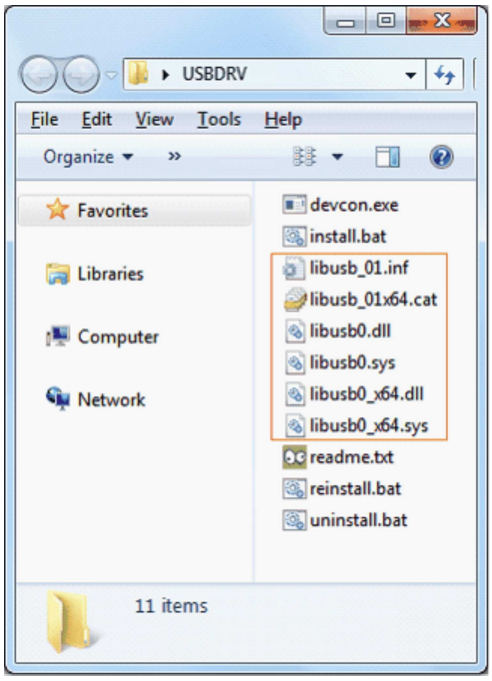
In the open window, select [Browse my computer for driver software],



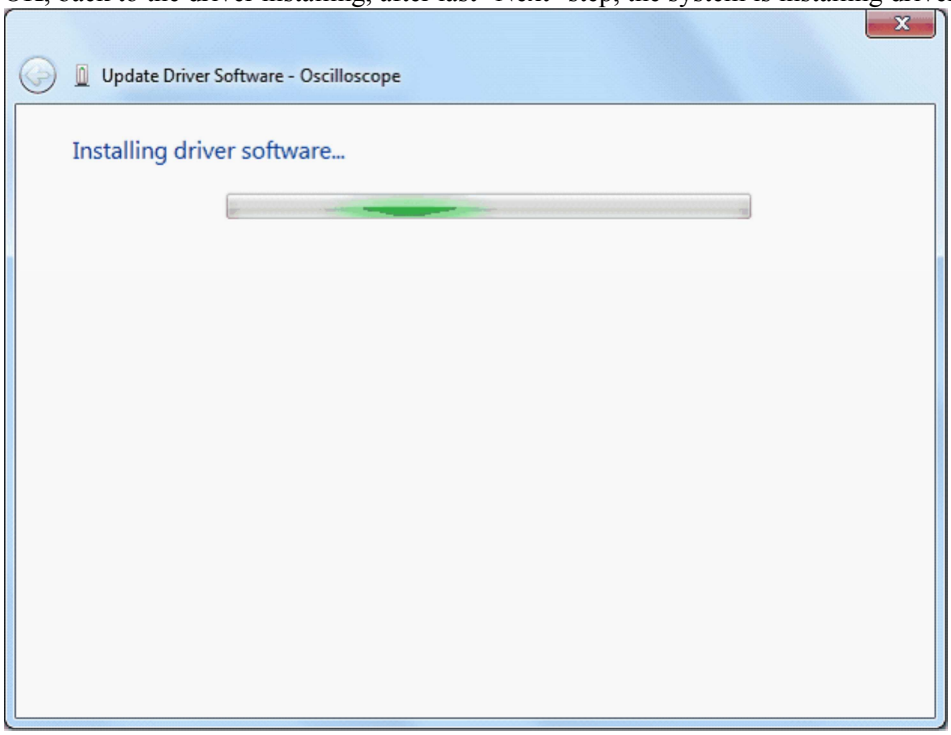
The next window, select a directory path for the driver software location, and click "Next",



Notice: the driver software location is a directory that is under the software setup folder named "USBDRV", and the contents inside are like these:

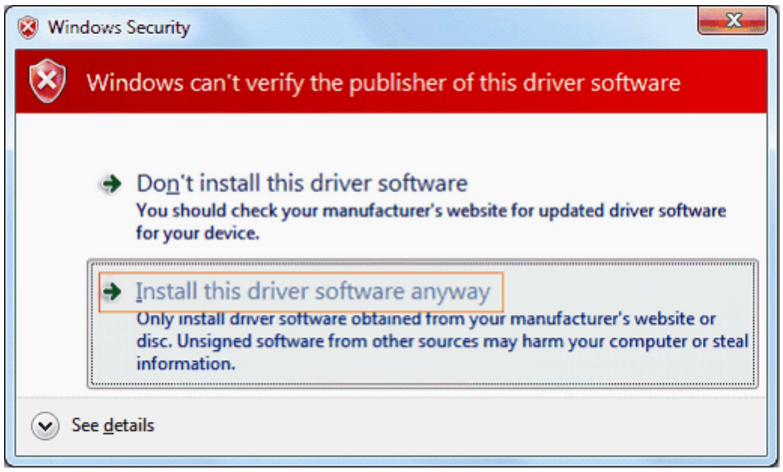


OK, back to the driver installing, after last "Next" step, the system is installing driver software for you, as follow,



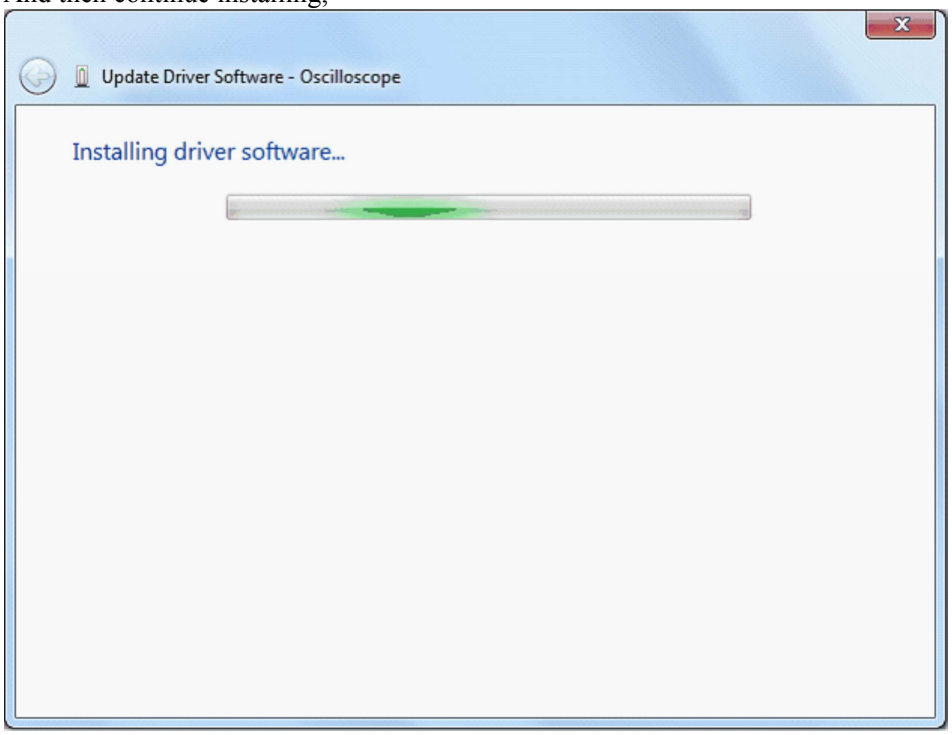
In the course,

It (for Windows XP x86&x64, Windows Vista x86&x64, Windows 7 x86) may open a window named "Windows Security" as below, and just select "Install this driver software anyway" to continue,

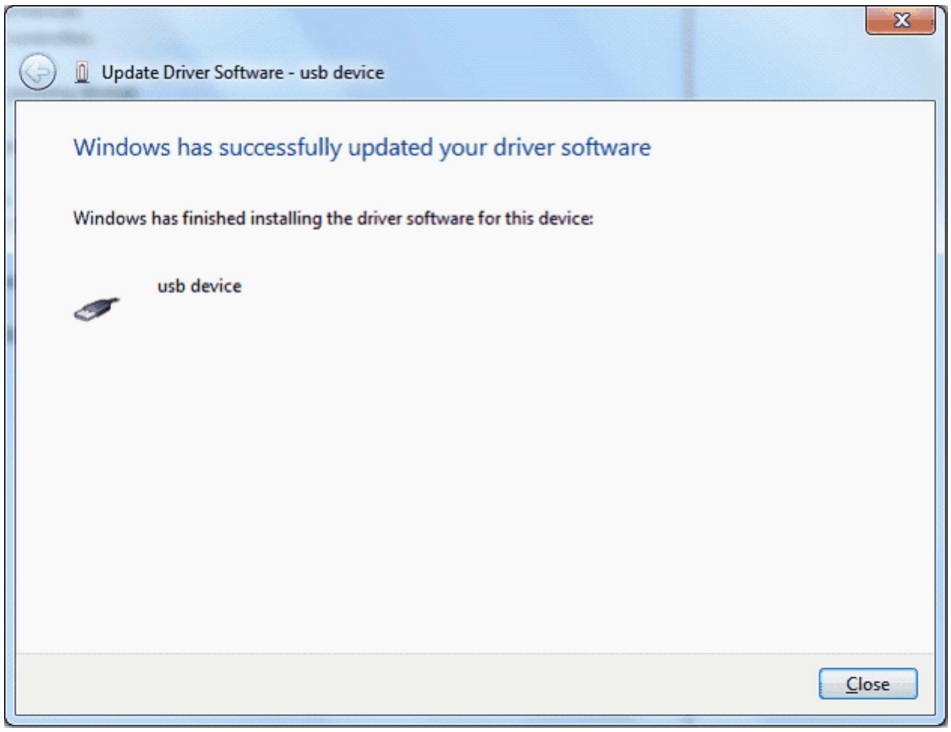


Or sometimes it(for Windows 7 x64) may open a window named "Windows Security" as below, and just click "Install" to continue,

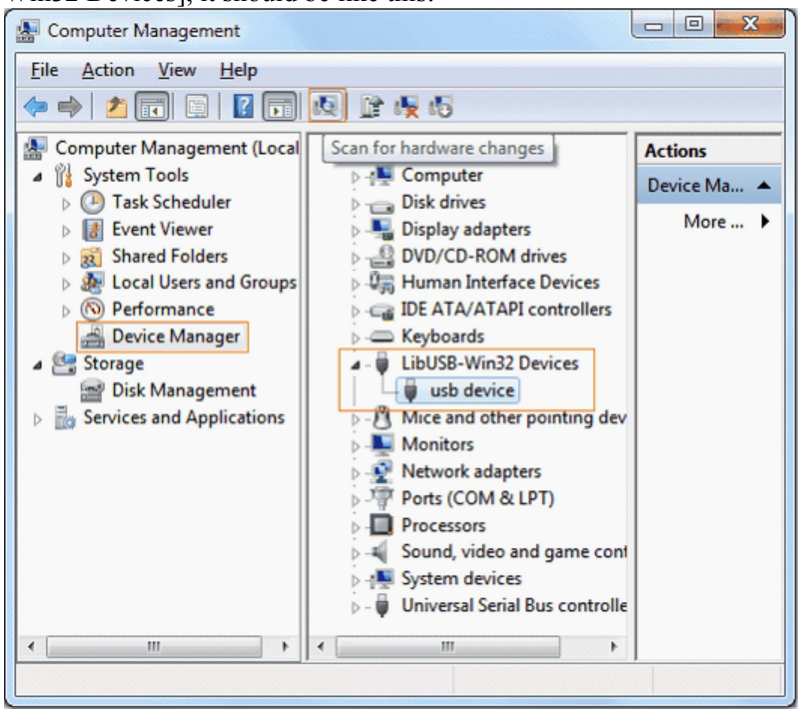
And then continue installing,



And finish.
Now a successful installation window opens with information "Windows has successfully updated your driver software".



Close the window, have a look at the "Computer Management" window, you will find a device under [LibUSB-Win32 Devices], it should be like this:



Now the USB driver will work.

(3). Serial Port connection

Connect with serial port in PC directly.

II. User Interface

When the software enters into the main interface as Fig 2-2 which has eight parts:

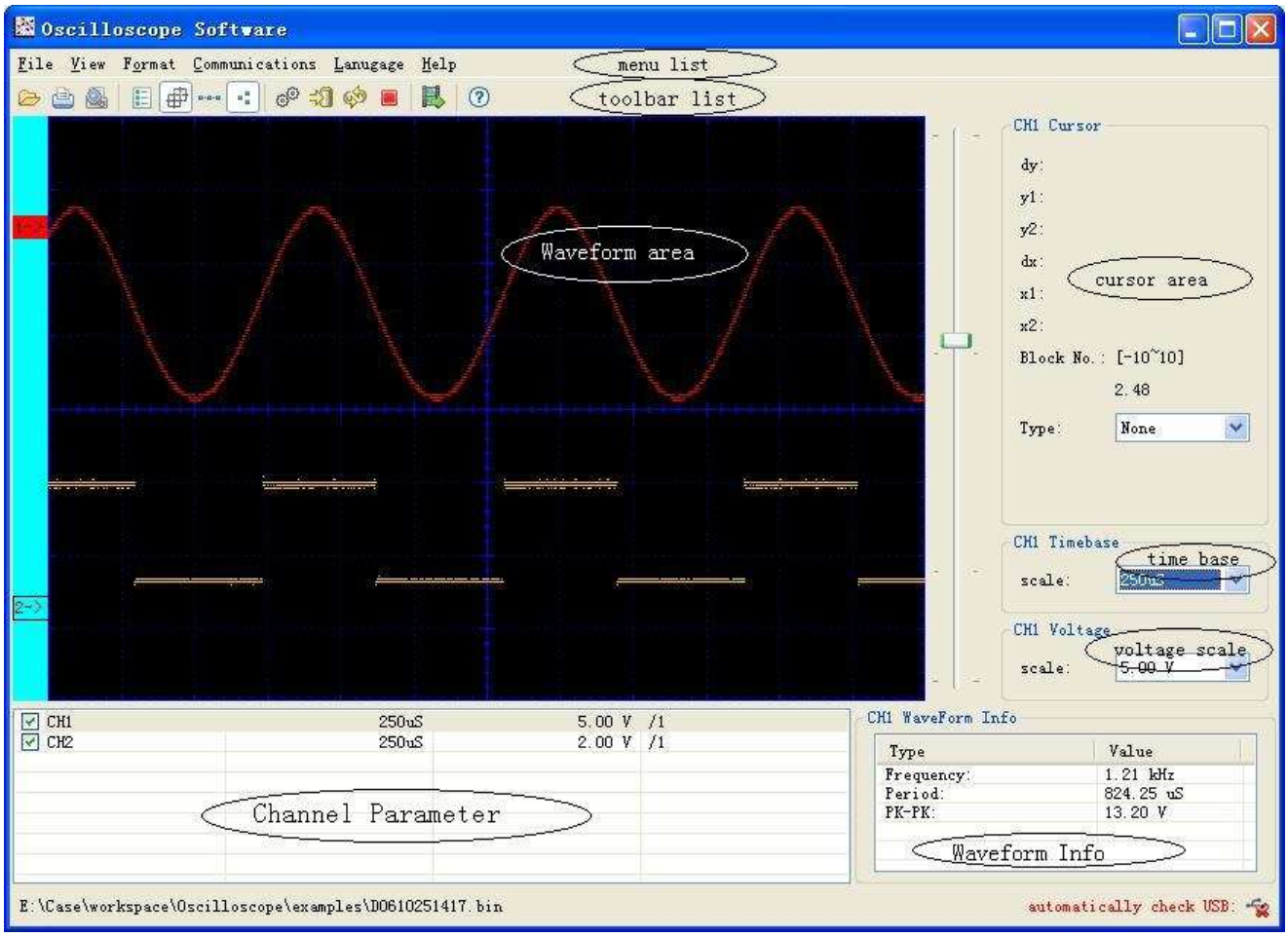


Fig 2-2

1. Menu Bar: provide various functions introductions.
2. Tool Bar: provide usual shortcut bar of menu options.
3. Waveform displayed range: the main range waveforms displayed.
4. Cursor range: provide the following four cursor types to observe and measure waveforms: none, horizontal line, vertical line, double line(the horizontal line and the vertical line shows simultaneously)
5. Channel box range: in which provides information and set waveforms displayed and hidden, also set one channel as current waveform.
6. Time base division range: which is used for observe and set the time base of the current waveform.
7. Voltage division range: which is used for observe and set the voltage division of the current waveform.
8. Parameter displayed range: which shows the period, frequency and pk-pk of the current waveform. If the new waveform is non-periodicity, the period and the frequency are all 0.

III. Menu:

The following menus shows in the menu bar:
1- Files
2- View
3- Format
4- Communication
5- Language
6- Help

The followings are the detailed description:

(1). File (Fig 3-1)

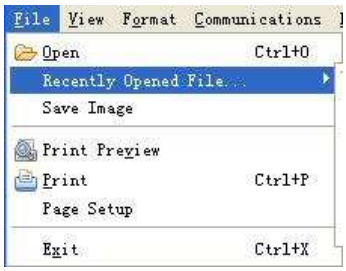


Fig 3-1

1. Open: open the saved files with bin suffix.
2. Open recent: save the 10 open recent files
3. Save: save the current waveforms as pictures and support bmp, png, gif etc.
4. Print preview: preview the print effect
5. Print: by printer
6. Page setup: set the boundary value for printing
7. Exit: exit from the software

(1). View menu(Fig 3-2)

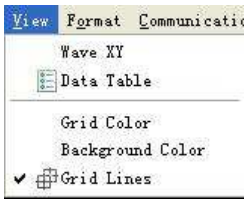


Fig 3-2-1

1. XY waveform: The voltage values of sampling point in CH1, CH2 are shown as X,Y of point coordinates. If only one of the channels, the function is not available.

2. Value list: The sequence of voltage value in sampling point of every channel is shown in the list which could be saved as .txt or .xls (Windows Office Excel) files exported to other documents. The list supply check all or check none, the right part as saved channel and click EXIT to close the list.

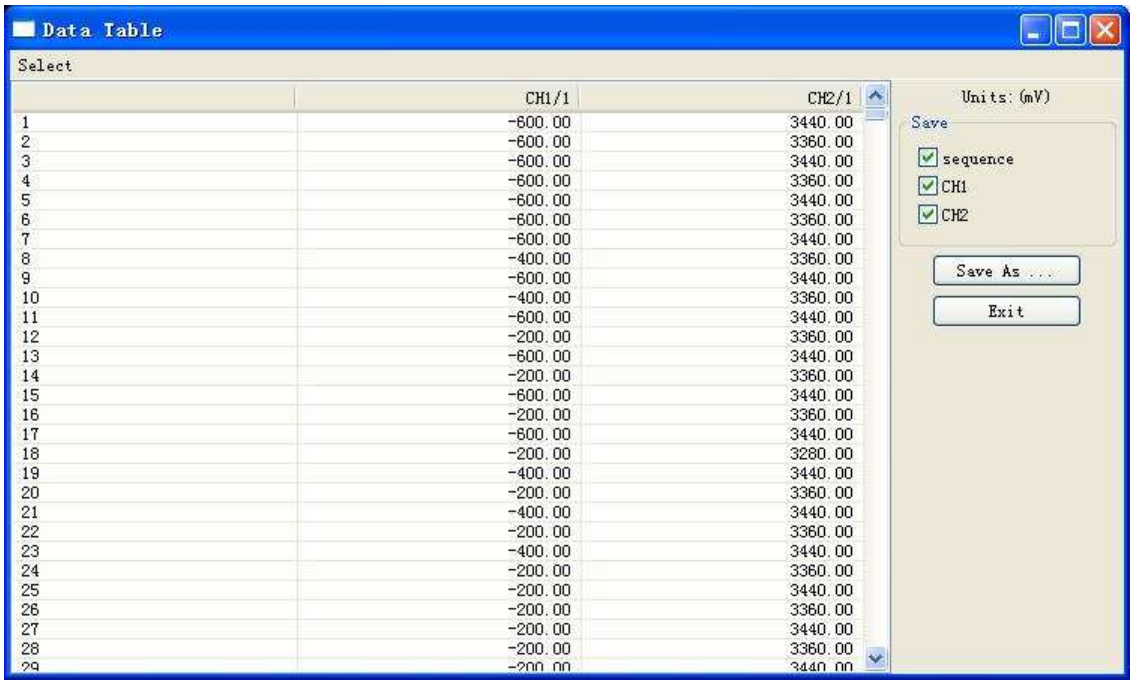


Fig 3-2-2: Value list

1. Grids color: Bring out the color dialogue box and change the color.

2. Background color: double click waveform area of display to bring out the color dialogue box and change the background color.
3. Grids line: display or hide the grid scale of image background.

(3). Format menu(Fig 3-3)

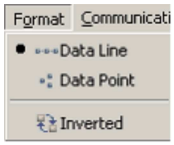


Fig 3-3-1

1. Data line: draw the sampling point and connect by lines.
2. Data point: draw the sampling point discretely
3. Waveform inverse: inverse the channel voltage value.

(4). Communications menu (Fig 3-4)

Fig 3-4-1

1. Set as USB and search USB port from connecting oscilloscopes then refresh connecting USB ports

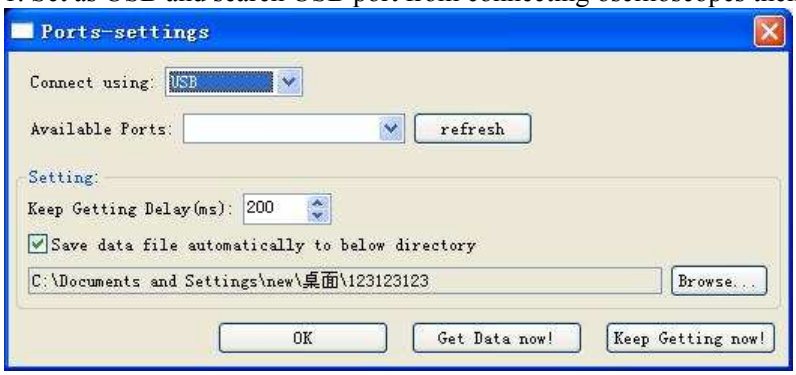


Fig 3-4-2

Port setting: choose the port for communicate with oscilloscope
Set as port with default parameters(115200,8,N,1).
Fig 3-4-3: transport setting windows

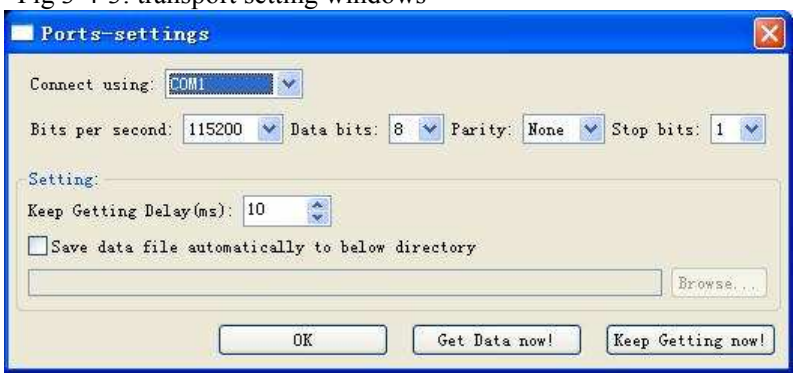


Fig 3-4-3

The bottom of port setting window is the auto obtained area in which interval time and save catalogue of auto obtained could be set up.

2. data acquirement: acquire waveform data from instrument
Note: You can get the data from instrument after connecting PC with USB cable and install driver and then choose the correct interface setting.

Click "browse" to bring out the "save file" dialogue box and set the save path and file name.
File type may be Vector or Bitmap corresponding suffix .bin or .bmp which will be acquired after correct setting in the instrument. On beginning the file format can be viewed from file types and choose "close window and load" when finishing, only bin file can load software and show, bmp open by picture tool.

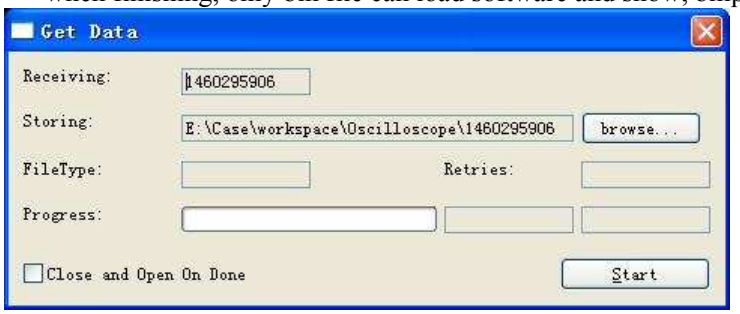


Fig 3-4-4

3. auto acquirement: Gain data using interval time in interface set based on continuous "data acquirement" until clicking Stop.(the interval time should be 500ms or more to guarantee transmit and operation.)

Vector data will be uploaded and shown immediately, recorded in hardware. Bitmap file recorded at the same way except for uploading..

The progress bar when auto acquiring data by interface will be shown at the right bottom as follows:

Fig 3-4-5: Stop: Stop auto acquiring

4. Auto Player: automatically display the waveform data.

Before using the function of Auto Player, you should make sure that you used the function of auto acquirement to record data files in hardware, which use a data record directory path. When you open the AutoPlayer Dialog, [Add] this directory path as a display [History], Choose [Play Mode] as [Turn] or [Reverse], set the [Time Delay(ms)], then you can click the Start Arrow Button to display the record waveform data, it also provides Stop, Next, Previous to operate, you can also drag the progress item to location.

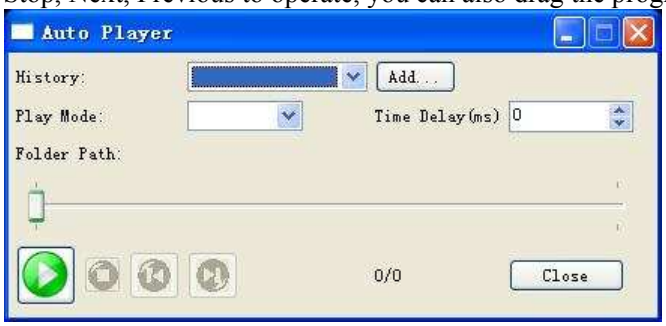


Fig 3-4-5 £ oAuto Play Window

(5). Language(Fig 3-5)

Fig 3-5: Language menu

Chinese-English transfer

(6). Help menu(Fig 3-6)

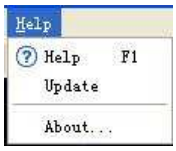


Fig 3-6-1

1. Help: Open help file

2. Update: Find new version in server and download update as follows:

Fig 3-6-2: About: information

IV. Toolbar:

Toolbar shortcuts common menu items about 12 numbers of knobs as follows:


1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14

icon	name	function
1	open	Open saved files with suffix bin
2	Print preview	Preview the print effect
3	print	Print by printer
4	Data display	Display every voltage sequence of sampling point
5	Display/hide grids	Display or hide grids scale of waveform background
6	Display linked waveform	Draw the sampling point and connect in direct line
7	Display data point	Draw the sampling point discretely
8	Inverse	waveform inverse
9	Communication setting	Set communication parameter
10	Manual acquirement	Open waveform acquirement interface
11	Auto acquirement	Auto acquiring files
12	stop	Stop auto acquiring
13	AutoPlay	Auto play the .bin file
14	help	Open help files

IIV. Relevant operations:

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(1).Operation for waveforms display range: (Fig 5-1)

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(1). waveform moving up and down

Firstly, the position as Fig （1->）is the zero voltage position of current waveform.

1) fine adjustment: drag "1->" and make the waveform move up and down on the screen

2) coarse adjustment: drag the ruler slider on the right and make the waveform move up and down, the moving area is the maximum movable area on time base division (which could be check the current blocks on the right of cursor area, a block 1/8 of height of the screen.)

(2). waveform move left and right: Move the mouse to the waveform, it becomes icon, then drag the mouse to make the waveform left and right as Fig 5-1-1

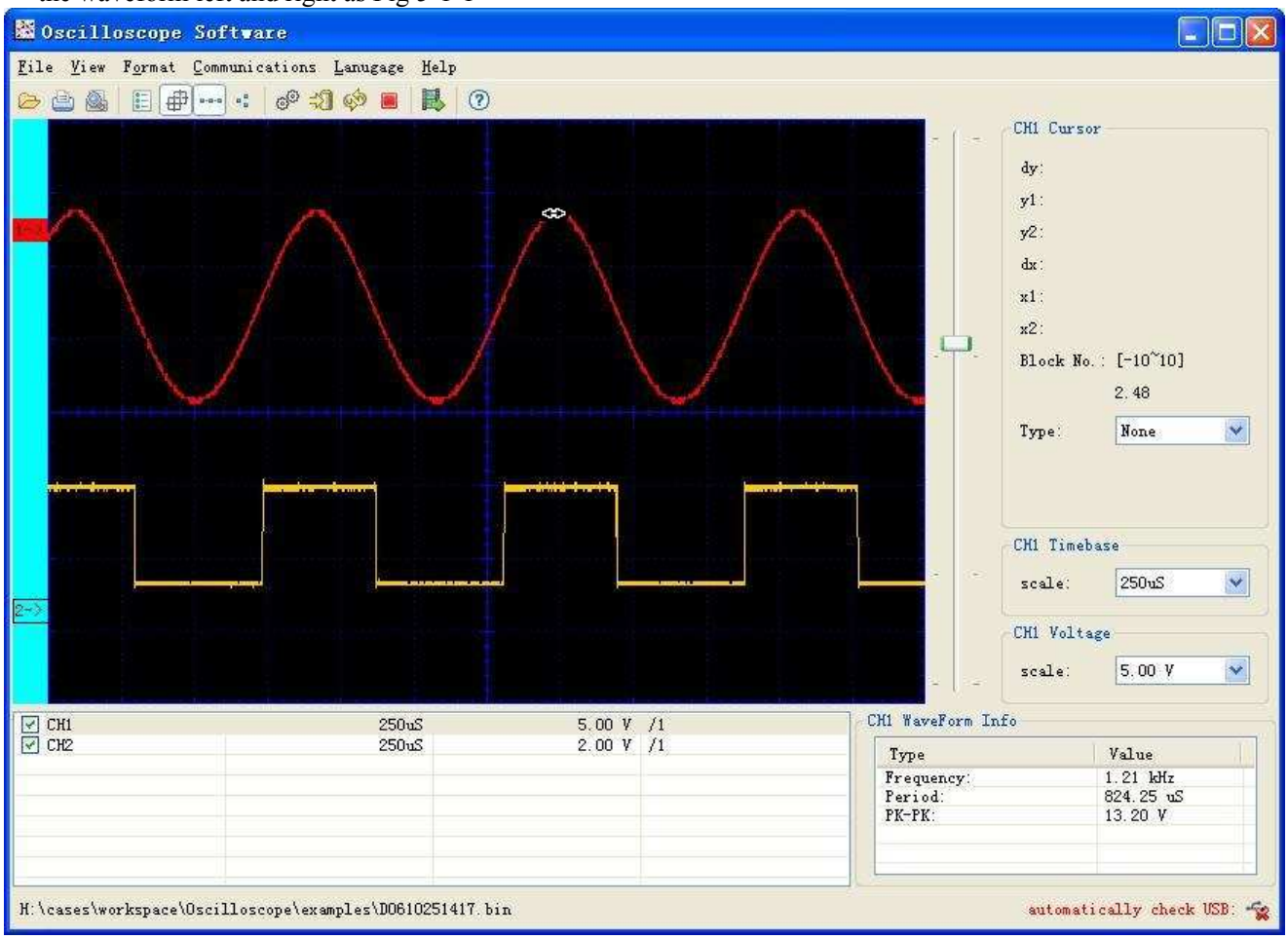
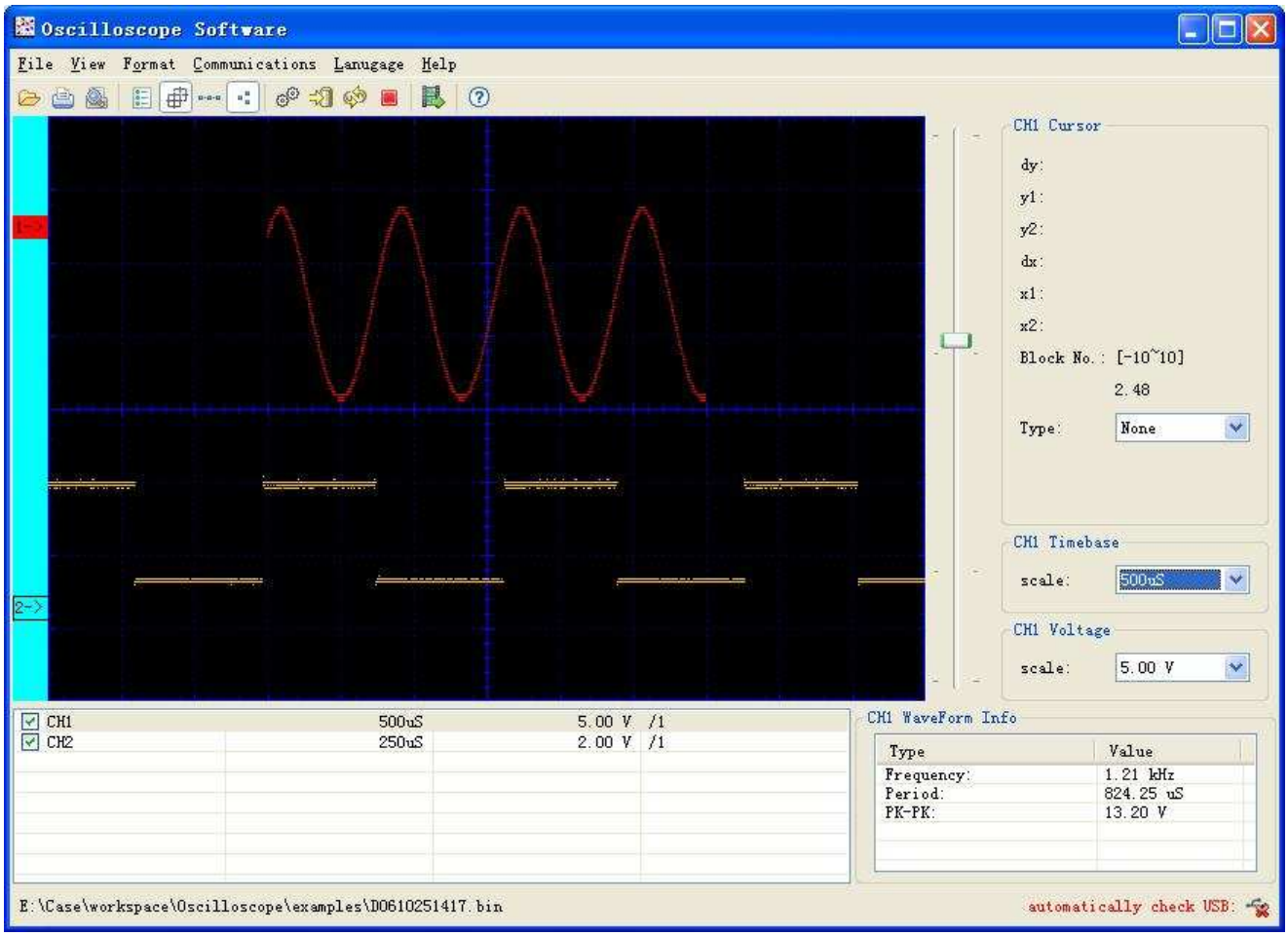


Fig 5-1-1

1). Change the color of waveform: double click "1->" to bring out color dialogue box to change the color.

2). The time base division of current waveform can be shown and adjusted in such area (as Fig 5-1-2) which is the time range about one scale on the vertical line (8 scales in the following), and adjust the scale in the come box, the waveform zoom to the corresponding division with the centre scale mark as centre shaft.(Fig 5-1-3)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CH1 Timebase
scale: 500uS
CH1 Voltage
scale: 5.00 V
CH1 500uS 5.00 V /1
CH2 250uS 2.00 V /1
CH1 WaveForm Info
Type Value
Frequency: 1.21 kHz
Period: 824.25 uS
PK-PK: 13.20 V
E:\Case\workspace\Oscilloscope\examples\D0610251417.bin
automatically check USB:

Fig 5-1-2

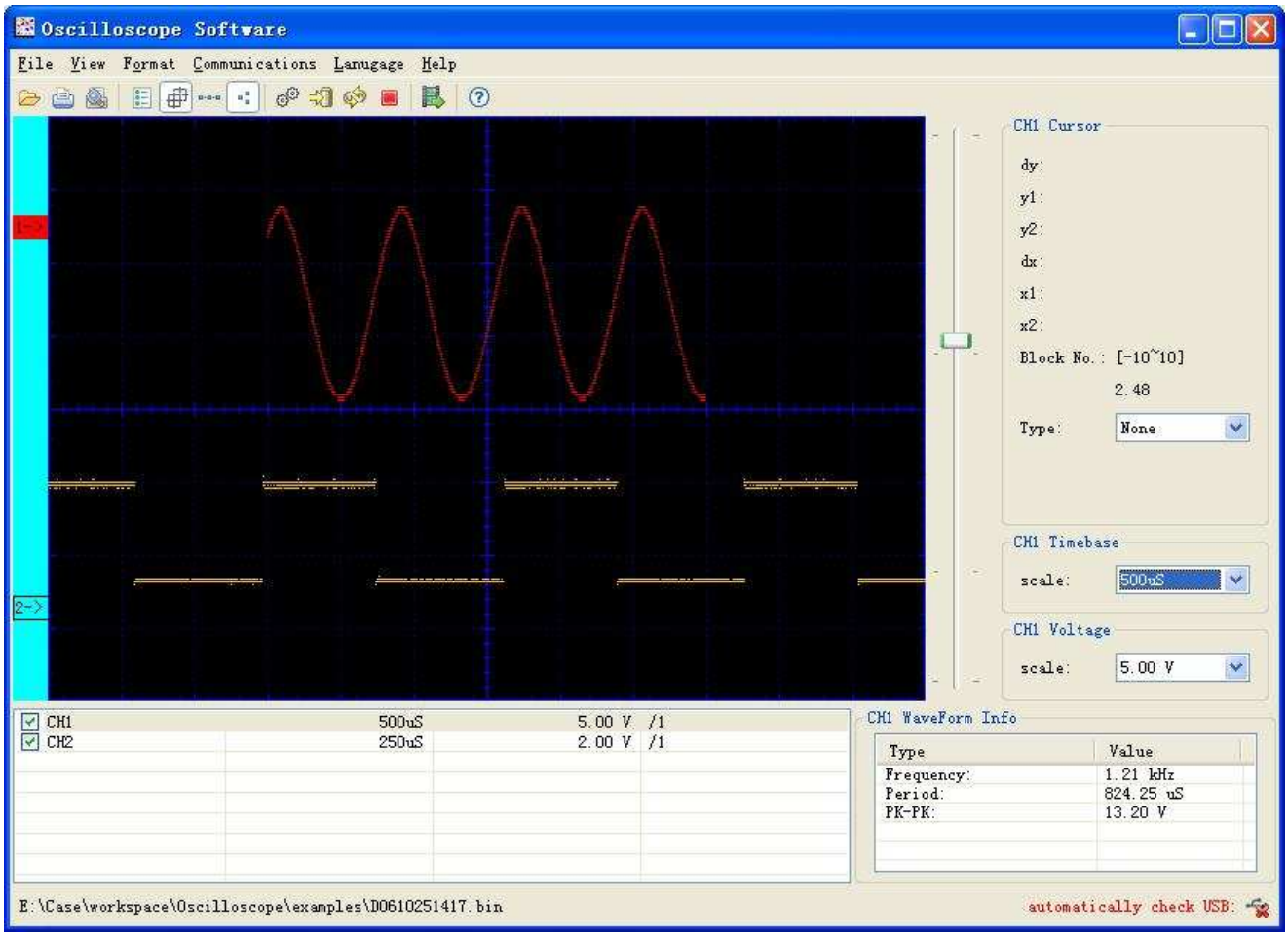

Fig 5-1-3

2. In this aspect, voltage division can be use to show and adjust the current waveform which is one scale on the horizontal line (12 scales in the following, different series with different format which are only for reference.) and adjust the scale in the come box, the waveform zoom to the corresponding division with the zero voltage position as centre shaft.

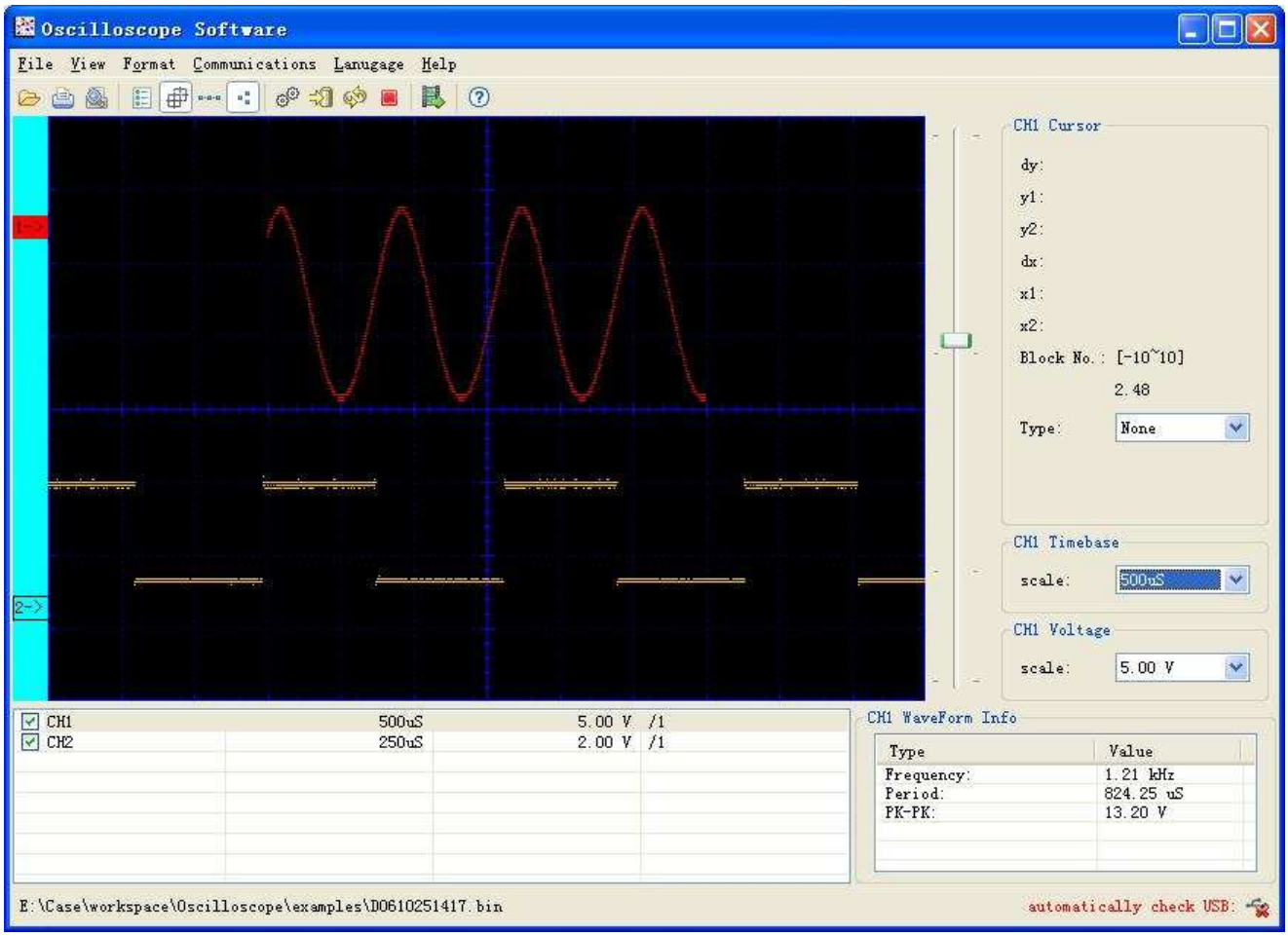

Fig 5-1-4

(2). Operation in cursor area(Fig 5-2)

There are four cursor types for selection to measure and locate, such as: none, horizontal line, vertical line, double line (that is horizontal line and vertical line display at the same time) (Fig 5-2-1)

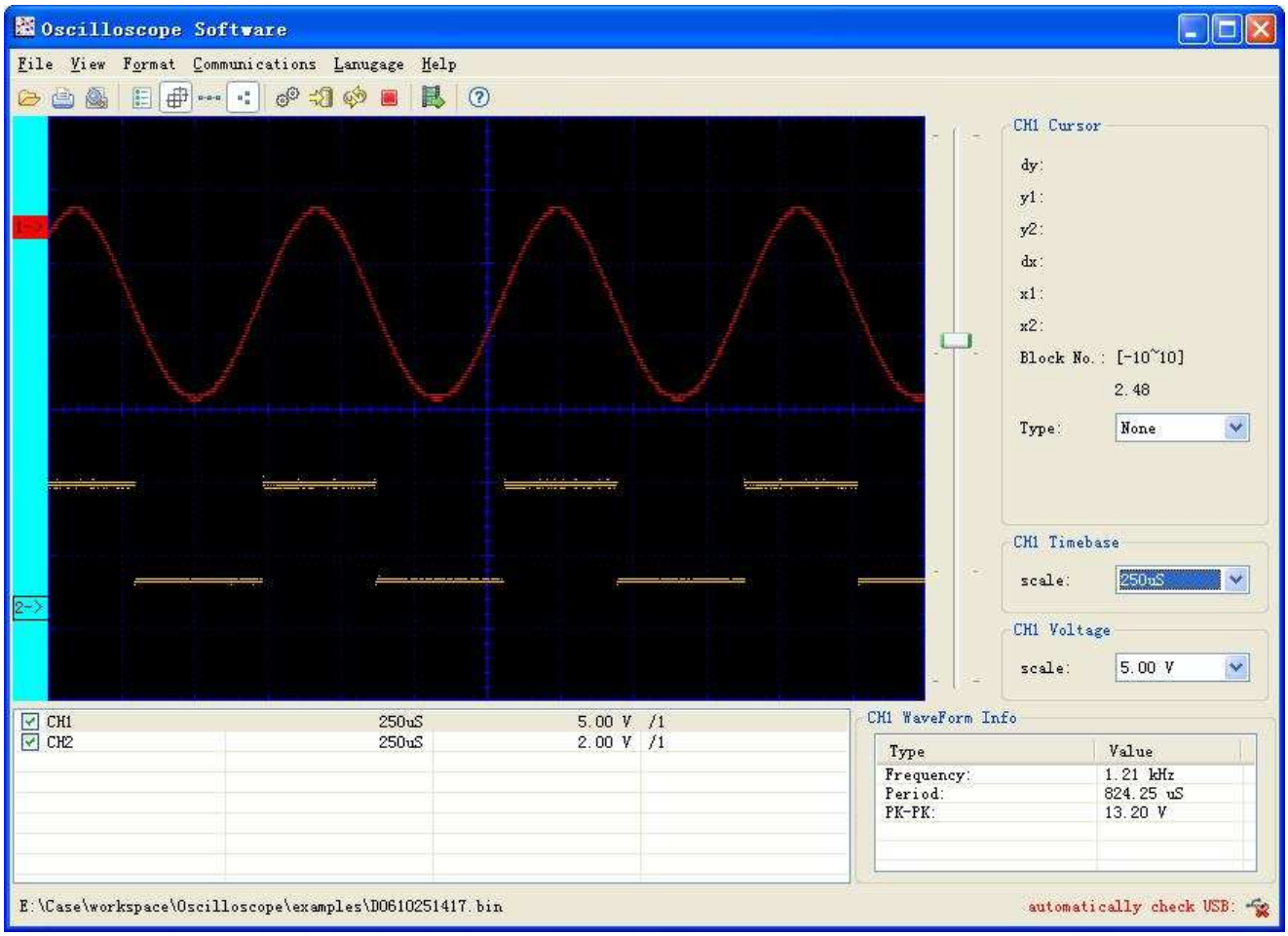

Fig 5-2-1

1. None: without measure cursor
2. Horizontal line: Drag the two horizontal lines in the waveform area up and down to measure every voltage value on the vertical of current waveform, as the above Fig the Y1,Y2 shows the actual voltage values of the two vertical lines corresponding to the zero point of current waveforms and dy=y1-y2 which is the voltage difference value of the two cursor lines.
3. Vertical line: Drag the two vertical lines in the waveform area left and right to measure every time value on the horizontal of current waveform, as the above Fig the x1,x2 shows the time value of the two vertical lines(the leftmost is zero value of time), dx=x1-x2 which is the time difference value of the two cursor lines.
4. Double lines (Fig 5-1-3): The vertical line and the horizontal line are all in the waveform area and be measured at the same time.

(3). Operation in channel box (Fig 5-3)

The user can click some channel in the channel box or some waveform in such area to set the current waveform (select 1-> or sampling point in the waveform), then the selected channel would be high light marked and the corresponding data will be displayed in the time base division, voltage division and parameter area simultaneously.

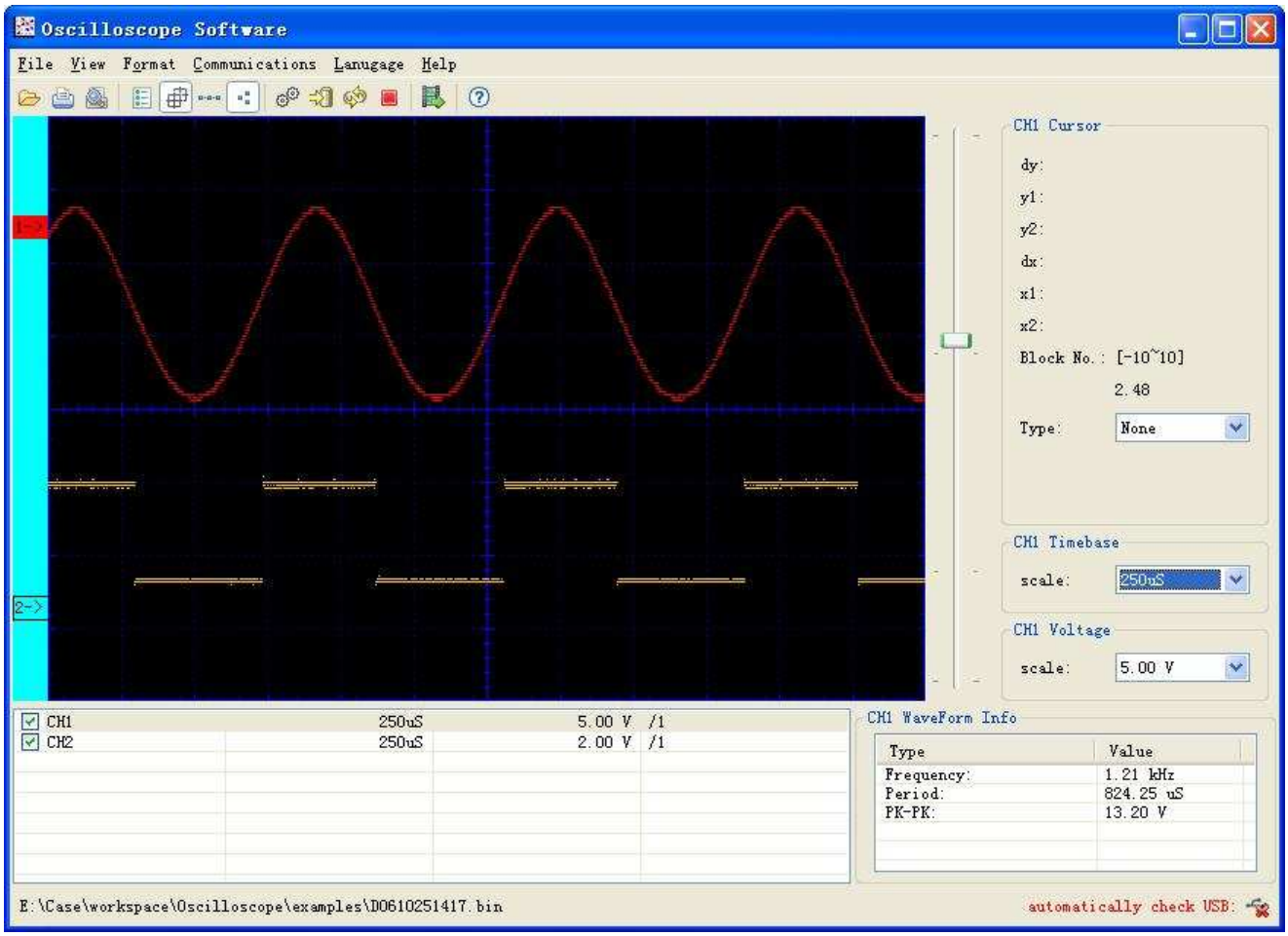

Fig 5-3-1

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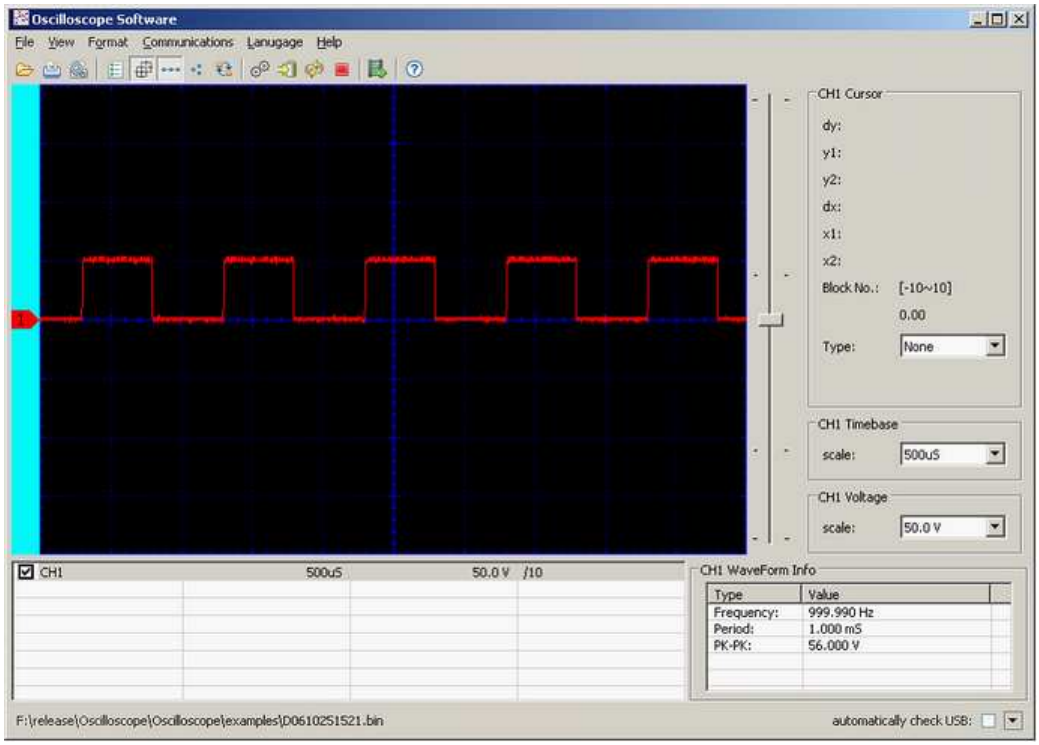
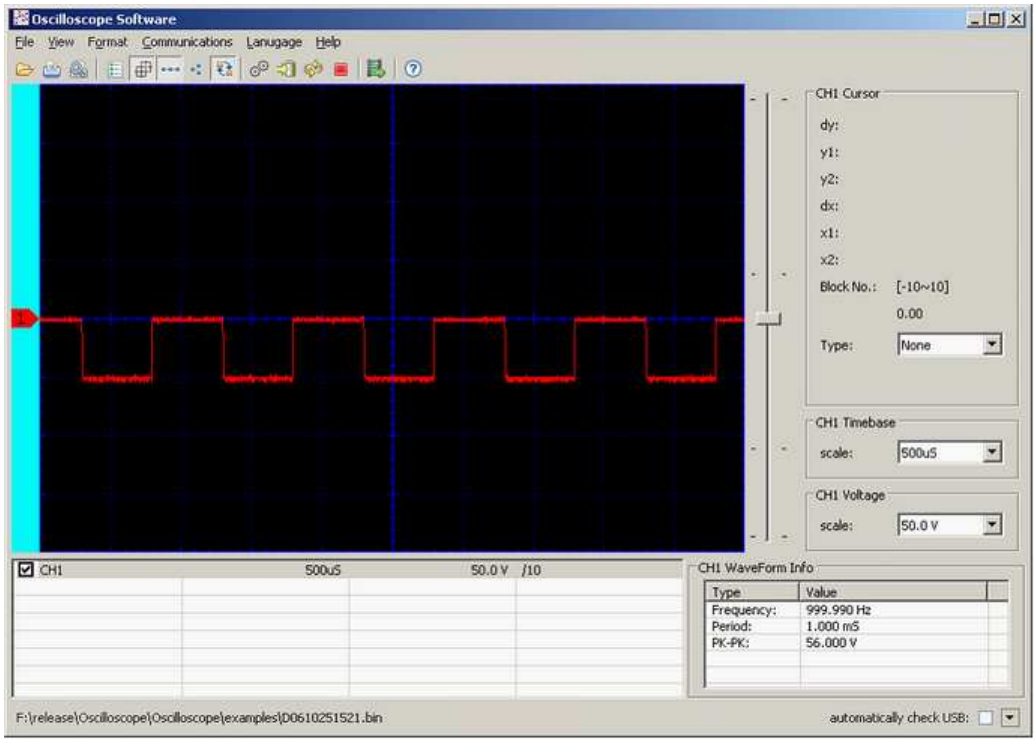
(4). Operation for channel inverse

Operation for inverse: inverse the channel voltage value.

Before channel inversed:



After channel inversed:



Notice: the channel inversed status will keep on and apply for next waveform file's same channel as long as the software is not closed.