# ADVANTEST CORPORATION

# INSTRUCTION MANUAL TR41901A/B Digital Memory

MANUAL NUMBER

41901 OEA 512

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1.1 GENERAL

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 GENERAL

The TR41901A/B digital memories, combined with the TR4110/4110M (for TR41901A) or TR4132/TR4231N (for TR41901B) spectrum analyzers, can store spectra on the CRT display into memory as digital information and display them on the stable screen through the high speed D/A conversion.

1.2 SPECIFICATION

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Memory Capacity

For one screen: X axis 9 bits (512 points)

Y axis 10 bits (1024 points)

(\* 100 points/DIV)

The memory capacity for two screens is supported.

Write time

20 ms or more (in terms of sweep time for the main unit)

Display time

Approximately 8.2 ms/1 screen

X.Y sampling error

2.5% or less

Functions

A WRITE : Writes and displays screenful (page) data.

A VIEW/B WRITE: Disables writing on the A screen and displays the

memory contents.

Writes and displays on the B screen.

A-B : Subtracts B from A.

NORMALIZE : Normalizes errors.

MAX HOLD : Displays the maximum value of X-axis points whenever

repeatedly scanned.

PLOT : Plots the data on the screen on TR9831 or 7470A (HP).

Operating environment

0°C to +40°C

Power source

AC 100 V ±10% 55 VA or less

Dimensions

TR41901A: Approximately 295(W) x 87(H) x 430(D) mm
TR41901B: Approximately 288(W) x 70.5(H) x 385(D) mm

Weight

TR41901A: 6.3 kg or less TR41901B: 4.5 kg or less

# 1.3 ACCESSORIES

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Fuse	:	Slow-blow fuse 0.5 A	2
Power	cable :	MP-43	1
TR41901E	3		
Fuse	:	Slow-blow fuse 0.5 A	2
Power	cable :	MP-43	1

#### 2. OPERATING GUIDANCE

#### 2.1 PANELS

[Front panel]

- 1) Power switch
  Switch for supplying AC power to the entire unit.
  Setting the power switch to ON supplies AC power to set the display
  mode to A WRITE, and initializes MAG AMP to 10 dB/DIV and VIDEO FILTER
  to OFF.
- 2 Memory ON/OFF switch
  Switch for setting the digital memory function to ON/OFF.
  At power-on, setting this switch to ON activates the digital memory function.
  Setting this to OFF makes the spectrum analyzer display spectra in normal real time.
- (3) MAG AMP selection switch Switch for selecting the Y-axis sensitivity. The selection is made in the following order:

10 dB/Div 
$$\rightarrow$$
 5 dB/Div  $\rightarrow$  2 dB/Div  $\rightarrow$  1 dB/Div

NOTE: The display sensitivity value of the TR41901 is identical to that when setting the spectrum analyzer sensitivity to 10 dB/Div.

- 4 MAG AMP display LED
  LED for displaying the sensitivity of the Y-axis selected.
- (5) VIDEO FILTER selection switch Switch for selecting the frequency band area of a video filter. The selection is made repeatedly in the following order:

- 6 VIDEO FILTER band area display
  Displays the band area on the video filter selected.
- (7) A WRITE Rewrites and displays data on the A screen.
- (8) A VIEW
  B WRITE

Disables writing data on the A screen and only displays the data of A. Rewrites and displays data on the B screen. Commands A and B display 2-page data on the CRT. (Useful for a relative measurement)

9 A-B
Subtracts B from A and displays the result.

- (10) PLOT
  - Outputs the data on the CRT screen on ADVANTEST digital plotters TR9831 or HP 7470A.

The type of plotter can be selected by using the GPIB address switch on the left end of the TR41901 rear panel. (0: TR9831 1: 7470A)

- (11) MAX
  - Compares the data in memory with the input data, and replaces the larger amount of data with the current data.
- (12) SHIFT

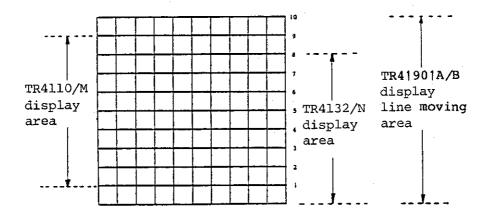
SHIFT expands the functions of the switches described in 7 and 10. Press the DISP LINE switch following the SHIFT switch.

This displays lines (DISP LINE) on the CRT.

Pressing the DISP LINE switch changes display lines by one division in the scale (div).

If the switch is not pressed, the display lines move by ten scales. TR4110/M displays data from the second scale to the ninth on the screen.

TR4132/N displays data from the first scale to the eighth on the screen.



Select the A WRITE mode when using SHIFT.

Press the NORMALIZE switch subsequent to the SHIFT switch. This normalizes the frequency characteristic with respect to the reference value (display line). Press the NORMALIZE switch following the SHIFT and DISP LINE switches. This normalizes the frequency characteristic with respect to the current display line.

- NOTE: When no display line is displayed, if the NORMALIZE operation is executed without specifying a display line, then the frequency characteristic is normalized with respect to the seventh line (for TR41901A) or the eighth line (TR41901B).
  - When shifting from the NORMALIZE operation to the another one, press the SHIFT switch, then press the next switch.
  - When plotting the normalized data, press the PLOT switch following the SHIFT one.
- 13 LOCAL LOCAL terminates the external control operation to enable the operation through the switches on the panel.

#### [Rear panel]

- (14) Fuse holder
  Contains two 0.5 A slow-blow fuses.
  To replace the fuse, turn its cap in the direction of the arrow and remove.
- (15) Power cable connector

  Connector for the accessory power cable connection.
- GND terminal
  Terminal for grounding. To use a power cable with a 2-pin adaptor,
  ground the line of the adaptor or the GND terminal.
- (17) Address switch
  Switch for selecting the TR41901 address on GP-IB instrumentation and the plotter type, and for switching the header.

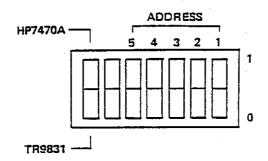


Figure 2-1 Address Switch

- (18) GP-IB connector
  - Connect a bus cable to the GP-IB connector on GP-IB instrumentation.
- (19) TR4110/M connector (Only for TR41901A)
  Connector for connecting spectrum analyzer TR4110/M to TR41901 using accessory connection cable A01220.

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Counter connector (Only for TR41901A)

Connector for connecting an external counter using optional connection cable A01221 (available for 14 to 50 pins). The counter connector is used to measure the central frequency, marker frequency, etc. of the displayed spectra.

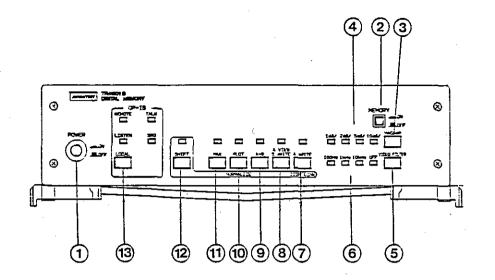


Fig. 2 - 2 Front Panel

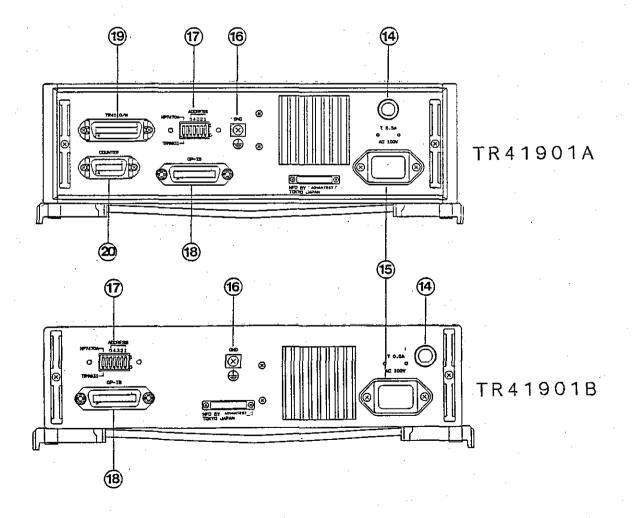


Fig. 2 - 3 Rear Panel

#### 2.2 CONNECTING TR41901A TO SPECTRUM ANALYZER

Figure 2-4 shows the connection of TR41901A to the TR4110/M using the A01220.

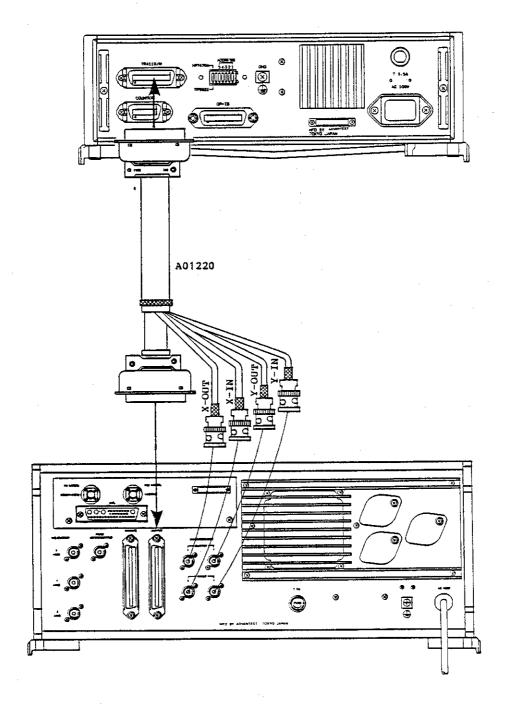


Figure 2-4 Connecting TR41901A to TR4110/M

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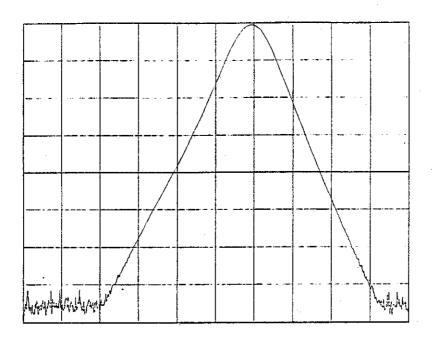


Figure 2-5 A WRITE Mode Plot Example

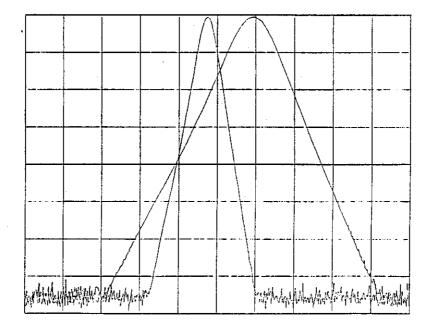


Figure 2-6 A VIEW, B WRITE Mode Plot Example

#### 3. CALIBRATION

#### 3.1 CALIBRATING PROCEDURE

After checking if the TR41901 is connected to the spectrum analyzer, operate using the following procedure:

- (1) Set the video filter to OFF; and dB/DIV to 10 dB/DIV on the spectrum analyzer
- (2) Set the digital memory ON/OFF switch to ON.
- (3) Press the SHIFT and MAX switches.

  This displays the pattern on the CRT as shown in Figure 3-1. Adjust each control on the right panel of TR41901 (see Figure 3-2) so that exterior lines of the pattern are matched with the exterior scales of the CRT inside screen.

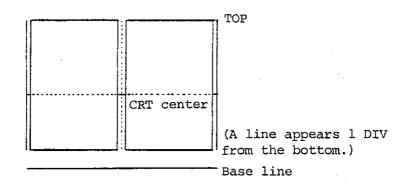


Figure 3-1 Calibration Screen



X GAIN: Adjusts horizontal pattern frame width.

Y GAIN: Adjusts vertical pattern frame width.

X POSI: Adjusts length from the CRT left end to the frame left end.

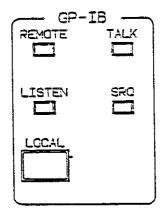
Y POSI: Adjusts length from the CRT top to the frame top.

Figure 3-2 Adjustment Control Location

# 3.1 CALIBRATING PROCEDURE

- (4) Cancelling calibration mode
  When cancelling the calibration mode, press the MAX switch. This changes
  the calibration mode to the SHIFT mode.
- (5) Cancelling SHIFT mode When cancelling the SHIFT mode, press the SHIFT switch.

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- 4.1 GP-IB INDICATOR



REMOTE: Lights when the TR41901 is in the remote control mode.

LISTEN: Lights when the TR41901 is in the listener mode.

TALK : Lights when the TR41901 is in the talker mode.

SRQ: Lights when the TR41901 is in the SO mode, or when the information to be transmit from the TR41901 to a controller is issued. SRQ goes off when a controller issues a serial polling command to the TR41901.

#### 4.2 GP-IB COMMANDS

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Command

Operation

AWR: Set the TR41901 to the A WRITE mode.

BWR: Set the TR41901 to the A VIEW/B WRITE mode.

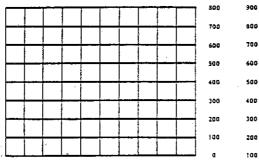
AMB: Sets the TR41901 to the A-B mode.

NRM: Normalizes a frequency band characteristic with respect to the display line. The display line is specified by using the

subsequent four digits in the following format:

NRM \( \begin{align\*}
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NRM is valid when the TR41901 is in the A WRITE mode.



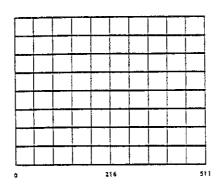
Spectrum analyzer 784132 784110

NOTE: The spectrum analyzer converts the data on the CRT to that shown in the above figure. To change a display line, reset the current mode to the A WRITE mode.

MAX: Executes the MAX HOLD operation in the A WRITE or A VIEW/B WRITE mode.

WRT: Displays a marker at the point (X axis). The point is specified by using the subsequent three digits in the following format:

WRT [ [ [ [ ] represents a point on the horizontal line, and must be numbers from 0 to 511.)



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ERA: Deletes markers.
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MAG: MAG specifies the MAG AMP sensitivity.

MAG 0 10 dB/DIV MAG 1 5 dB/DIV MAG 2 3 dB/DIV

MAG 3 1 dB/DIV

FLT: FLT [] specifies the VIDEO FILTER sensitivity.

FLT 0 OFF FLT 1 10 kHz FLT 2 1 kHz

FLT 2 1 kHz FLT 3 100 Hz

D : D reads the data on the display.

D0 reads the data accompanied with a comment (read statement)

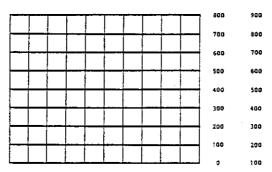
The following shows D0 operation example.

```
10 DIN AS(3000)
20 OUTPUT 702:"00"
30 ENTER 702:AS
40 PRINT AS
```

D1 reads only data.
The following shows D1 operation example.

```
10 DIM AS(30001
20 DUTPUT 702:"01"
30 EMTER 702:AS
40 PRINT AS
50 EN0
```

The following figure shows the correspondence between data and display.



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R: R reads the data at a marker point.

R0 reads data accompanied with a comment.

The following shows an R0 operation example.

10 DIM AS(501 20 OUTPUT 702:"RO" 30 ENTER 702;AS 40 PRINT AS 50 END

MARKER ADDRESS:0256, MARKER DATA:0870.:DATA END :

R1 reads only data.

10 DIM AS[50] 20 OUTPUT 702:"R1" 30 ENTER 702:AS 40 PRINT AS 50 END

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The following illustration shows a sample program to read data using the markers at addresses from 240 to 260 on the X axis:

#### [R1 mode]

```
10 DIM AS(50)
20 FOR N-240 TO 26G
30 OUTPUT 702 USING "SA.DDDO":"WRT ",N
40 OUTPUT 702:R1"
50 ENTER 702:AS
70 NEXT N
80 END

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0703.
0688.
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# [RO mode]

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O DIM AS[50]

TO FOR N=240 TO 250

OUTPUT 702 USING "SA.DDDD"; "WRT ".N

OUTPUT 702: "RO"

ENTER 702: AS

PRINT AS

NEXT N

END

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Enter measurement conditions (center frequency, frequency span and reference level) through the GP-IB. This plots the measurement conditions, and also the marker frequency level, if any.

Measurement condition commands

CF: Inputs the center frequency to the TR41901. For 123, 456, 789, 123 Hz, enter as follows:

CF123G456M789K123H

To enter 1026 MHz, K and H can be omitted:

CF1G26M

To enter 10, 000, 234 Hz, M can be omitted:

CF10M234H

A WRITE

SP: Inputs a frequency span to the TR41091. Entering the data is the same as for CF. Enter the value of DISP/DIV as it is. This displays the frequency span value from the left end to the right end.

RL: Inputs a reference level to the TR41901.

The value of a reference level must be up to ±999.9 dBm.

CF 50000000, 0Hz SP 2000000, CHz MF 51718750, 0Hz.

MAG 10d8/d1v RL -10.0d8 ML -19.9d8m.

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LRD: Outputs a marker level to a controller. The output format is as follows:

MLuu-10.0 dB<CR><LF+EOI>

For a marker level of 0 or one without a negative sign, LRD outputs spaces until 0 or the most significant digit preceding the decimal point as follows:

MLuuu0.0 dBm (for 0)

FRD: Outputs a frequency at a marker point to a controller. The output format is as follows:

MF\_\_\_1000000000. Hz <DR><LF+EOI>

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