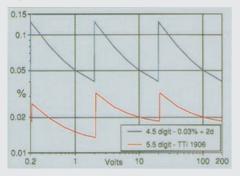
51/2 digit performance at a 41/2 digit price

higher resolution, accuracy & functionality

Greater resolution and accuracy

The 1906 is a true $5^{1}/_{2}$ digit meter with a scale length of \pm 210,000 counts.

This gives it not just superior resolution relative to $4^{1}/_{2}$ digit meters, but much higher effective accuracy as well.



The diagram shows how the effective accuracy varies with reading after taking into account the fixed errors. Over a range of voltages, the 1906 is around four times more accurate than a typical 41/2 digit meter.

Greater sensitivity and higher input impedance

With a maximum resolution of $1\mu V,\,1m\Omega$ and 1nA, the 1906 is ten times more sensitive than a $4^{1}\!/_{2}$ digit meter.

This extra senstivity enables accurate measurements to be made in areas previously impossible such as thermocouple junctions, switch contact resistance or capacitor leakages.

Industry standard 10M Ω input impedance applies to all dc voltage ranges, but the lowest two can alternatively be selected at greater than 1000M Ω impedance to eliminate errors when measuring high impedance circuitry.

4 terminal Ohms for improved stability

Resistance measurements can be made in either 2 terminal or 4 terminal mode. High impedance sensing ensures that the meter switches automatically between modes.

For low resistance measurements, 4 terminal mode offers much higher accuracy and repeatability.

The resistance function also provides selectable audible continuity as well as diode test capabilities.

True RMS ac functions

The 1906 provides True RMS ac response which gives accurate measurements regardless of the waveform shape.

The wide bandwidth voltage attenuator provides high accuracy within the audio band and gives extended response to avoid distortion when measuring switching waveforms.

Auto or manual ranging

The 1906 offers fully automatic ranging on all functions including current. Alternatively any range can be selected and held manually.

Closed case calibration

The 1906 stores its calibration constants in permanent memory (EEPROM). Consequently it can be recalibrated without ever opening the case.

Storage of front-panel set-ups

The 1906 can store up to six front panel set-ups in non-volatile memory.

In addition to the range and function each set-up defines the active computing or logging functions along with their parameters.

This facility is particularly valuable when similar tests need to be repeated at intervals.

Full protection for the instrument and the user

The 1906 incorporates extensive protection against damage from accidental overloads on all ranges including 10 Amps.

In addition the 1906 meets the stringent safety requirements of IEC348 and IEC1010-1 for measurements up to 1kV.



- 5 1/2 digit scale length (±210,000 counts)
- 0.012% basic one year accuracy
- ullet 1uV, 1m Ω and 1nA resolution, 4 terminal Ohms
- Full automatic or manual ranging
- True RMS ac functions, wide ac bandwidth
- Full set of current ranges from 200uA to 10A
- Wide range of computing and data logger functions
- Fully programmable by RS-232 or GPIB interfaces

built-in computing & data logging

full bus programmability

Single key convenience functions for ease of use

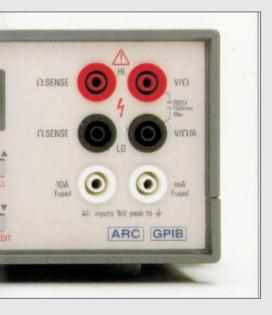
Press the "null" key and the present displayed reading is stored and subtracted from all future readings.

This powerful feature has a host of uses such as removing test lead resistance, observing deviation levels, or measuring relative to alternative voltage points using a fixed ground lead connection.

Touch and Hold

The touch and hold function is invaluable when taking measurements in awkward situations where it may be difficult to see the multimeter display.

With touch and hold selected, the display is automatically frozen every time a stable reading is achieved. A further press of the T/HOLD key un-freezes the display.



Digital filtering for better noise performance

The 1906 uses non-linear digital filtering which is highly effective in eliminating unwanted noise, but responds rapidly to a change in the reading.

When working with very noisy or unstable measurements, the characteristics of the digital filter can be adjusted to suit the application.

Linear scaling with offset (Ax+b)

This function enables a reading to be multiplied by a scale factor (A) and for an offset (b) to be added or subtracted.

This means, for example, that the electrical output of a transducer can be scaled to give a direct readout of the physical parameter e.g. temperature or weight.

It is particularly useful with 4-20mA current loops.

Limits comparison

This function enables the reading to be tested against high and low limits set by the user.



The display then shows a code of H (high), L (low) or P (pass) at the end of the display.

Percentage deviation (Δ %)

This function enables the meter to display the percentage amount by which the reading differs from a nominal value chosen by the user.

It is invaluable for measuring tolerance or stability.

Min-Max storage

The Min-Max function stores the highest and lowest values of a set of readings.

This facility has many uses such as checking for power supply glitches, recording peak temperature excursions and avoiding "missed" readings when using the Logger function.

Logarithmic measurements (dB)

This function allows measurements to be displayed in the form $20log_{10}X$. Built-in zero reference scaling enables voltages to be displayed in dBV or dBm relative to any required impedance.



Using the null key allows gains and losses to be measured directly.

Automatic data logging

The 1906 can store up to 100 readings at any required time interval from 1 reading per second up to 1 reading every 3 hours.

A simple recall sequence allows the readings to be scrolled onto the display whenever required. Alternatively results can be downloaded using the RS232 or GPIB interfaces.

As a result, tedious time related measurement sequences can be handled automatically without disrupting your work.

Manual storage of readings is also available eliminating the need for paper and pencil when making a series of measurements.

Storage can also be triggered from the RS-232 or GPIB interfaces.

Full bus control via RS-232 or GPIB

The 1906 is designed for complete bus control. Every function of the instrument can be controlled using either the RS-232 interface or the GPIB interface (optional).



The RS-232 interface, which is fitted as standard, is compatible with the TTi ARC system.

The ARC system (Addressable RS232 Chain) enables up to 32 instruments to be "daisy-chained" together and to be individually addressed and controlled using a single RS232 port of a PC.

Compatible with IEEE-488.2

The GPIB interface is an option. When installed, a rear panel switch allows the user to choose between RS232 or GPIB control.

The GPIB interface conforms fully with both IEEE-488.1 and IEEE-488.2. The .2 standard contains many enhancements which are particularly important when programming systems incorporating a number of instruments.

Technical Specifications

INPUT CHARACTERISTICS

Input Current: < 100 pA.

DC NMR: > 60dB at 50/60Hz.

1k Unbalanced > 120dB at DC/50Hz/60Hz, DC ranges; CMR: > 60dB at DC/50Hz/60Hz, AC ranges.

ACCURACY

Accuracies apply for 1 year 18° C to 26° C. Temperature coefficient outside these limits is <0.1 x quoted range accuracy per $^{\circ}$ C. Warm-up time to rated accuracy is 1 hour.

DC VOLTS

Range	Accuracy(±)	Input Imped- ance	Max Input
200mV	0·017% + 3d	10M Ω or >1G Ω	1kV DC or AC
2V	0·012% + 3d	(Hi Z mode)	Peak any range
20V	0·019% + 3d	10ΜΩ	
200V	0·019% + 3d		
1000V	0·019% + 3d		

RESISTANCE (OHMS)

Range	Accuracy(±)	Max. Measuring Current	Max. Input
200	0·025% + 4d	1.5mA	300V DC or
2k	0·019% + 3d	1.5mA	RMS continu- ous any Ohms
20k	0·019% + 3d	0.4mA	input any range
200k	0·019% + 3d	40μΑ	
2M	0·022% + 3d	4μΑ	
20M	0.07% + 3d	400nA	

Max open circuit voltage 3-5V. Diode Test on 2k range. Audible continuity check available on all ranges.

AC VOLTS (True RMS)

Range	Accuracy(±)			
	45Hz - 5kHz	5kHz - 10kHz	10kHz-20kHz	20kHz-50kHz
200mV	0·2% + 150d	0·2% + 250d	3% + 500d	-
2V	0·2% + 150d	0·2% + 250d	0·5% + 300d	3% + 1500d
20V	0.			