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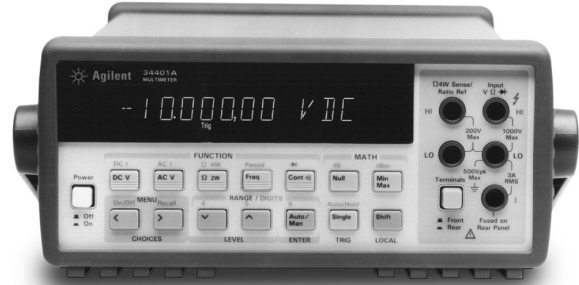
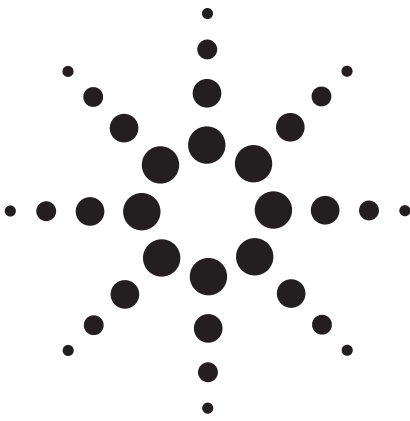
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# Agilent 34401A Multimeter

## Uncompromising Performance for Benchtop and System Testing

### Product Overview



- Measure up to 1000 volts with 6 1/2 digits resolution
- 0.0015% basic dcV accuracy (24 hour)
- 0.06% basic acV accuracy (1 year)
- 3Hz to 300kHz ac bandwidth
- 1000 readings/sec. direct to GPIB

#### Superior performance

The Agilent Technologies 34401A multimeter gives you the performance you need for fast, accurate bench and system testing. The 34401A provides a combination of resolution, accuracy and speed that rivals DMMs costing many times more. 6 1/2-digits of resolution, 0.0015% basic 24-hr dcV accuracy and 1,000 readings/sec direct to GPIB assure you of results that are accurate, fast, and repeatable.

#### Use it on your benchtop

The 34401A was designed with your bench needs in mind. Functions commonly associated with bench operation, like continuity and diode test, are built in. A Null feature allows you to remove lead resistance and other fixed offsets in your measurements. Other capabilities like min/max/avg readouts and direct dB and dBm measurements make checkout with the 34401A faster and easier.

The 34401A gives you the ability to store up to 512 readings in internal memory. For trouble-shooting, a reading hold feature lets you concentrate on placing your test leads without having to constantly glance at the display.

#### Use it for systems testing

For systems use, the 34401A gives you faster bus throughput than any other DMM in its class. The 34401A can send up to 1,000 readings/sec directly across GPIB in user-friendly ASCII format.

You also get both GPIB and RS-232 interfaces as standard features. Voltmeter Complete and External Trigger signals are provided so you can synchronize to other instruments in your test system. In addition, a TTL output indicates Pass/Fail results when limit testing is used.

To ensure both forward and backward compatibility, the 34401A includes three command languages (SCPI, Agilent 3478A and Fluke 8840A /42A), so you don't have to rewrite your existing test software. An optional rack mount kit is available.

#### Easy to use

Commonly accessed attributes, such as functions, ranges, and resolution are selected with a single button press.

Advanced features are available using menu functions that let you optimize the 34401A for your applications.

The included Agilent IntuiLink software allows you to put your captured data to work easily, using PC applications such as Microsoft Excel® or Word® to analyze, interpret, display, print, and document the data you get from the 34401A.

You can specify the meter setup and take a single reading or log data to the Excel spreadsheet in specified time intervals. Programmers can use ActiveX components to control the DMM using SCPI commands. To find out more about IntuiLink, visit [www.agilent.com/find/intuiling](http://www.agilent.com/find/intuiling)

The 34401A can also be used in conjunction with the 34812A BenchLink Meter software. This Windows-based program lets you configure and initiate measurements from your computer, and transfer results from your test instrument to your PC.

#### 3-year warranty

With your 34401A, you get full documentation, a high-quality test lead set, calibration certificate with test data, and a 3-year warranty, all for one low price.

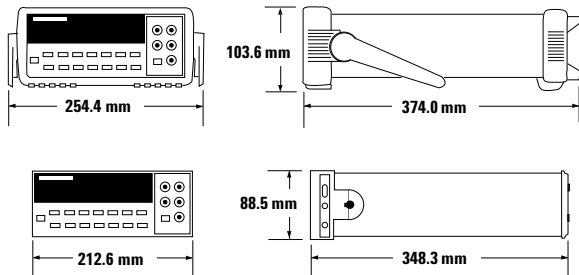


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# Accuracy Specifications $\pm$ (% of reading + % of range)<sup>[1]</sup>

Function	Range <sup>[3]</sup>	Frequency, etc.	24 Hour <sup>[2]</sup> 23°C $\pm$ 1°C	90 Day 23°C $\pm$ 5°C	1 Year 23°C $\pm$ 5°C	Temperature Coefficient 0°C – 18°C 28°C – 55°C
<b>dc Voltage</b>	100.0000 mV 1.000000 V <b>10.00000 V</b> 100.0000 V 1000.000 V		0.0030 + 0.0030 0.0020 + 0.0006 <b>0.0015 + 0.0004</b> 0.0020 + 0.0006 0.0020 + 0.0006	0.0040 + 0.0035 0.0030 + 0.0007 <b>0.0020 + 0.0005</b> 0.0035 + 0.0006 0.0035 + 0.0010	0.0050 + 0.0035 0.0040 + 0.0007 <b>0.0035 + 0.0005</b> 0.0045 + 0.0006 0.0045 + 0.0010	0.0005 + 0.0005 0.0005 + 0.0001 <b>0.0005 + 0.0001</b> 0.0005 + 0.0001 0.0005 + 0.0001
<b>True rms ac Voltage<sup>[4]</sup></b>	100.0000 mV	3 Hz - 5 Hz 5 Hz - 10 Hz 10 Hz - 20 kHz 20 kHz - 50 kHz 50 kHz - 100 kHz 100 kHz - 300 kHz <sup>[6]</sup>	1.00 + 0.03 0.35 + 0.03 0.04 + 0.03 0.10 + 0.05 0.55 + 0.08 4.00 + 0.50	1.00 + 0.04 0.35 + 0.04 0.05 + 0.04 0.11 + 0.05 0.60 + 0.08 4.00 + 0.50	1.00 + 0.04 0.35 + 0.04 0.06 + 0.04 0.12 + 0.04 0.60 + 0.08 4.00 + 0.50	0.100 + 0.004 0.035 + 0.004 0.005 + 0.004 0.011 + 0.005 0.060 + 0.008 0.20 + 0.02
	1.000000 V to 750.000 V	3 Hz - 5 Hz 5 Hz - 10 Hz <b>10 Hz - 20 kHz</b> 20 kHz - 50 kHz 50 kHz - 100 kHz <sup>[5]</sup> 100 kHz - 300 kHz <sup>[6]</sup>	1.00 + 0.02 0.35 + 0.02 <b>0.04 + 0.02</b> 0.10 + 0.04 0.55 + 0.08 4.00 + 0.50	1.00 + 0.03 0.35 + 0.03 <b>0.05 + 0.03</b> 0.11 + 0.05 0.60 + 0.08 4.00 + 0.50	1.00 + 0.03 0.35 + 0.03 <b>0.06 + 0.03</b> 0.12 + 0.04 0.60 + 0.08 4.00 + 0.50	0.100 + 0.003 0.035 + 0.003 <b>0.005 + 0.003</b> 0.011 + 0.005 0.060 + 0.008 0.20 + 0.02
<b>Resistance<sup>[7]</sup></b>	100.0000 $\Omega$ 1.000000 k $\Omega$ <b>10.00000 k<math>\Omega</math></b> 100.0000 k $\Omega$ 1.000000 M $\Omega$ 10.00000 M $\Omega$ 100.0000 M $\Omega$	1 mA Current Source 1 mA 100 $\mu$ A 10 $\mu$ A 5.0 $\mu$ A 500 nA 500 nA    10M $\Omega$	0.0030 + 0.0030 0.0020 + 0.0005 <b>0.0020 + 0.0005</b> 0.0020 + 0.0005 0.002 + 0.001 0.015 + 0.001 0.300 + 0.010	0.008 + 0.004 0.008 + 0.001 <b>0.008 + 0.001</b> 0.008 + 0.001 0.008 + 0.001 0.020 + 0.001 0.800 + 0.010	0.010 + 0.004 0.010 + 0.001 <b>0.010 + 0.001</b> 0.010 + 0.001 0.010 + 0.001 0.040 + 0.001 0.800 + 0.010	0.0006 + 0.0005 0.0006 + 0.0001 <b>0.0006 + 0.0001</b> 0.0006 + 0.0001 0.0010 + 0.0002 0.0030 + 0.0004 0.1500 + 0.0002
<b>dc Current</b>	10.00000 mA <b>100.0000 mA</b> 1.000000 A 3.00000 A	<0.1 V Burden Voltage <0.6 V <1 V <2 V	0.005 + 0.010 <b>0.010 + 0.004</b> 0.050 + 0.006 0.100 + 0.020	0.030 + 0.020 <b>0.030 + 0.005</b> 0.080 + 0.010 0.120 + 0.020	0.050 + 0.020 <b>0.050 + 0.005</b> 0.100 + 0.010 0.120 + 0.020	0.002 + 0.0020 <b>0.002 + 0.0005</b> 0.005 + 0.0010 0.005 + 0.0020
<b>True rms ac Current<sup>[4]</sup></b>	<b>1.000000 A</b>	3 Hz - 5 Hz 5 Hz - 10 Hz <b>10 Hz - 5 kHz</b>	1.00 + 0.04 0.30 + 0.04 <b>0.10 + 0.04</b>	1.00 + 0.04 0.30 + 0.04 <b>0.10 + 0.04</b>	1.00 + 0.04 0.30 + 0.04 <b>0.10 + 0.04</b>	0.100 + 0.006 0.035 + 0.006 <b>0.015 + 0.006</b>
	3.00000 A	3 Hz - 5 Hz 5 Hz - 10 Hz 10 Hz - 5 kHz	1.10 + 0.06 0.35 + 0.06 0.15 + 0.06	1.10 + 0.06 0.35 + 0.06 0.15 + 0.06	1.10 + 0.06 0.35 + 0.06 0.15 + 0.06	0.100 + 0.006 0.035 + 0.006 0.015 + 0.006
<b>Frequency or Period<sup>[8]</sup></b>	100 mV to 750 V	3 Hz - 5 Hz 5 Hz - 10 Hz 10 Hz - 40 Hz <b>40 Hz - 300 kHz</b>	0.10 0.05 0.03 <b>0.006</b>	0.10 0.05 0.03 <b>0.01</b>	0.10 0.05 0.03 <b>0.01</b>	0.005 0.005 0.001 <b>0.001</b>
<b>Continuity</b>	1000.0 $\Omega$	1mA Test Current	0.002 + 0.010	0.008 + 0.020	0.010 + 0.020	0.001 + 0.002
<b>Diode Test</b>	1.0000V	1mA Test Current	0.002 + 0.010	0.008 + 0.020	0.010 + 0.020	0.001 + 0.002



- 1 Specifications are for 1hr warm-up and 6½ digits, Slow ac filter.
- 2 Relative to calibration standards.
- 3 20% over range on all ranges except 1000Vdc and 750Vac ranges.
- 4 For sinewave input > 5% of range. For inputs from 1% to 5% of range and < 50kHz, add 0.1% of range additional error.
- 5 750V range limited to 100 kHz or 8 x10<sup>7</sup> Volt-Hz.
- 6 Typically 30% of reading error at 1MHz.
- 7 Specifications are for 4- wire ohms function or 2-wire ohms using Math Null. Without Math Null, add 0.2  $\Omega$  additional error in 2-wire ohms function.
- 8 Input >100 mV. For 10 mV inputs multiply % of reading error x10.

## Measurement Characteristics

### dc Voltage

Measurement Method	Continuously Integrating Multi-slope III A-D Converter
A-D Linearity	0.0002% of reading + 0.0001 % of range
Input Resistance	
0.1V, 1V,10 V ranges	Selectable 10 M $\Omega$ or >10,000 M $\Omega$
100 V, 1000 V ranges	10 M $\Omega$ $\pm$ 1%
Input Bias Current	< 30pA at 25° C
Input Protection	1000 V all ranges
dcV:dcV Ratio Accuracy	$\frac{V_{\text{input}}}{V_{\text{reference}}}$ Accuracy + Accuracy

### True rms ac Voltage

Measurement Method	ac coupled True rms – measures the ac component of the input with up to 400 Vdc of bias on any range.
Crest Factor	Maximum of 5:1 at Full Scale
Additional Crest Factor Errors (non-sinewave)	
Crest Factor 1–2	0.05 % of reading
Crest Factor 2–3	0.15 % of reading
Crest Factor 3–4	0.30 % of reading
Crest Factor 4–5	0.40 % of reading
Input Impedance	1 M $\Omega$ $\pm$ 2% in parallel with 100 pF
Input Protection	750Vrms all ranges

### Resistance

Measurement Method	Selectable 4-wire or 2-wire Ohms. Current source referenced to LO input.
Maximum Lead Resistance (4-wire)	10% of range per lead for 100 $\Omega$ and 1k $\Omega$ ranges. 1k $\Omega$ per lead on all other ranges.
Input Protection	1000 V all ranges

### dc Current

Shunt Resistance	5 $\Omega$ for 10 mA,100 mA; 0.1 $\Omega$ for 1 A, 3 A
Input Protection	Externally accessible 3 A 250 V Fuse Internal 7 A 250 V Fuse

### True rms ac Current

Measurement Method	Direct coupled to the fuse and shunt. ac coupled True rms measurement (measures the ac component only).
Shunt Resistance	0.1 $\Omega$ for 1 A and 3 A ranges
Input Protection	Externally accessible 3 A 250 V Fuse Internal 7 A 250 V Fuse

### Frequency and Period

Measurement Method	Reciprocal counting technique
Voltage Ranges	Same as ac Voltage Function
Gate Time	1 s, 100 ms, or 10 ms.

### Continuity / Diode

Response Time	300 samples/s with audible tone
Continuity Threshold	Selectable from 1 $\Omega$ to 1000 $\Omega$

### Measurement Noise Rejection 60 (50) Hz<sup>(1)</sup>

dc CMRR	140 dB
ac CMRR	70 dB

### Integration Time Normal Mode Rejection<sup>(2)</sup>

100 plc / 1.67 s (2 s)	60 dB <sup>(3)</sup>
10 plc / 167 ms (200 ms)	60 dB <sup>(3)</sup>
1 plc / 16.7 ms (20 ms)	60 dB
<1 plc / 3 ms or 800 $\mu$ s	0 dB

### Operating Characteristics<sup>(4)</sup>

Function	Digits	Readings/s
dcV, dcl, and Resistance	6 ½	0.6 (0.5)
	6 ½	6 (5)
	5 ½	60 (50)
	5 ½	300
acV, acl	4 ½	1000
	6 ½	0.15 Slow (3Hz)
	6 ½	1 Medium (20Hz)
	6 ½	10 Fast (200Hz)
Frequency or Period	6 ½	50 <sup>(5)</sup>
	6 ½	1
	5 ½	9.8
	4 ½	80

### System Speeds<sup>(6)</sup>

Configuration Rates	26/s to 50/s
Autorange Rate (dc Volts)	>30/s
ASCII readings to RS-232	55/s
ASCII readings to GPIB	1000/s
Maximum Internal Trig. Rate	1000/s
Max. Ext. Trig. Rate to Memory	1000/s

### Triggering and Memory

Reading HOLD Sensitivity	10%, 1%, 0.1%, or 0.01% of range
Samples/ trigger	1 to 50,000
Trigger Delay	0 to 3600 s: 10 $\mu$ s step size
External Trigger Delay	< 1 ms
External Trigger Jitter	< 500 $\mu$ s
Memory	512 readings

### Math Functions

NULL, Min/Max/Average, dBm, dB, Limit Test (with TTL output)

### Standard Programming Languages

SCPI (IEEE-488.2), Agilent 3478A, Fluke 8840A/42A

### Accessories Included

Test Lead Kit with probe, alligator, and grabber attachments.  
Operating Manual, Service Manual, test report, and power cord.

### General Specifications

Power Supply	100 V/120 V/220 V/ 240 V $\pm$ 10%
Power Line Frequency	45 Hz to 66 Hz and 360 Hz to 440 Hz Automatically sensed at power-on
Power Consumption	25 VA peak (10W average)
Operating Environment	Full accuracy for 0° C to 55° C Full accuracy to 80% R.H. at 40° C
Storage Environment	– 40° C to 70° C
Weight	3.6 kg (8.0 lbs)
Safety	Designed to CSA, UL-1244, IEC-348
RFI and ESD	MIL-461C, FTZ 1046, FCC
Vibration and Shock	MIL-T-28800E, Type III, Class 5 (Sine Only)
Warranty	3 years

1 For 1k $\Omega$  unbalance in LO lead.

2 For power line frequency  $\pm$  0.1%.

3 For power line frequency  $\pm$  1% use 40dB or  $\pm$  3% use 30dB.

4 Reading speeds for 60Hz and (50Hz) operation.

5 Maximum useful limit with default settling delays defeated.

6 Speeds are for 4 ½ digits, Delay 0, Auto-zero and Display OFF.

## Ordering Information

### Agilent 34401A Multimeter

#### Accessories included

Test Lead Kit with probe, alligator, and grabber attachments, IntuiLink connectivity software, operating manual, service manual, calibration certificate, test report, and power cord.

#### Options

**Opt. 908** Rack Mount Kit\*  
(P/N 5062-3972)

**Opt. 910** Extra manual set (English)

**Opt. OBO** DMM without manuals

**Opt. W50** Additional 2-year warranty  
(5-year total)

**Opt. 1BP** MIL-STD-45662A calibration with data

#### Manual options (please specify one)

ABA US English  
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ABE Spanish  
ABF French  
ABJ Japanese  
ABZ Italian  
ABO Taiwan Chinese  
AB1 Korean  
AB2 Chinese  
AKT Russian

#### Agilent Accessories

**11059A** Kelvin Probe set

**11060A** Surface Mount Device (SMD)  
test probes

**11062A** Kelvin clip set

**34131** Hard Transit Case

**34161A** Accessory pouch

**34171A** Input terminal connector  
(sold in pairs)

**34172A** Input calibration short  
(sold in pairs)

**34330A** 30 A current shunt

**34812A** BenchLink Meter software

**E2308A** 5K thermistor probe

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