posifa

PGS1000 Series

MEMS THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY HYDROGEN SENSORS

131 E. Brokaw Road | San Jose CA 95112 | +1 (408) 392-0989 | info@posifatech.com | www.posifatech.com

DESCRIPTION

The PGS1000 series of hydrogen sensors detects hydrogen concentration in air by measuring the change in thermal conductivity of the gas mixture. Hydrogen and air have very different thermal conductivity. Variation in hydrogen concentration results in significant changes in the thermal conductivity of the gas mixture.

The PGS1000 series uses Posifa's secondgeneration thermal conductivity die, packaged in an SMD form factor. It uses two thermal conductivity dies in a differential configuration: one sealed in dry air and acting as a reference; the other exposed to the gas mixture. Such a design achieves an excellent signal-to-noise ratio due to common-mode noise rejection and maximization of signal amplification. In addition, the sensor is excited with a pulsed waveform (400ms on and 1000ms off), resulting in a heater temperature that is almost the same as the ambient. This feature lends intrinsic safety to the sensor.

Like any hydrogen sensors based on thermal conductivity, Posifa devices are subject to specific cross sensitivity with other gases whose thermal conductivity is also significantly different from that of air, such as humidity and hydrocarbon gases (e.g. methane). Therefore Posifa's hydrogen sensors perform optimally in applications where interfering gases are absent, or their cross sensitivity is within the acceptable margin of error required by the application.

When deployed in a suitable environment, Posifa's MEMS thermal conductivity hydrogen sensors are superior to competing technologies. The low-cost devices offer fast response times and long-term stability.



FEATURES

- Broadest available ranges, up to 100 % volume
- Fast response time < 1.4 s
- Temperature compensation
- Pulsed excitation minimizes heater temperature for safe operation
- Long-term stability

APPLICATIONS

- Hydrogen leak detection
- Process monitoring

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

- Operating temperature: -40 °C to 85 °C
- Storage temperature: -40 °C to 90 °C
- Shock: 100 g peak (5 drops, 3 axis)

posifa

PGS1000 Series

MEMS THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY HYDROGEN SENSORS

131 E. Brokaw Road | San Jose CA 95112 | +1 (408) 392-0989 | info@posifatech.com | www.posifatech.com

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Test Conditions: Vdd = 5 Vdc, Ta=21 °C, RH = 5%						
SPECIFICATIONS	MIN	ТҮР	MAX	UNIT	CONDITIONS	
Detection Gas	Hydrogen in air					
Principle of Detection	Thermal conductivity					
Range (PGS1004)	0 - 4			Vol %		
Output	0		40000	Count	I ² C communication	
Resolution (PGS1004)		1		ppm		
Accuracy		6		% reading		
Repeatability		0.05		% F.S.		
Long-Term Stability		0.1		% F.S. / year		
Response Time			1.4			
Start-Up Time		0.5				
Operating Temperature	-40		85	°C		
Storage Temperature	-40		90	°C		
Supply Voltage Vdd	4.75	5	5.25	V		
I ² C Pullup Voltage		Vdd or 3.3		V		
Current Consumption		8		mA	Average	
Cross Sensitivity to Humidity		60		ppm / % RH	at 21 °C	
Corss Sensitivity to CH4		13		%		
Dimensions		23 x 20 x 10		mm		



PGS1000 Series

MEMS THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY HYDROGEN SENSORS

131 E. Brokaw Road | San Jose CA 95112 | +1 (408) 392-0989 | info@posifatech.com | www.posifatech.com

OUTPUT DESCRIPTION

Hydrogen concentration in ppm = output count

For example, when the output count = 15000, the hydrogen concentration is 15000 ppm (or 1.5 % vol).



PGS1000 Series

MEMS THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY HYDROGEN SENSORS

131 E. Brokaw Road | San Jose CA 95112 | +1 (408) 392-0989 | info@posifatech.com | www.posifatech.com

PACKAGE DIMENSIONS



Unit: mm

Note Mating connector is JST PAP-06V-S.

posifa

PGS1000 Series

MEMS THERMAL CONDUCTIVITY HYDROGEN SENSORS

131 E. Brokaw Road | San Jose CA 95112 | +1 (408) 392-0989 | info@posifatech.com | www.posifatech.com

ORDERING INFORMATION

PART NUMBER	SPECIFICATIONS
PGS1004	0 to 4 % vol, I2C output