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**CARBON DIOXIDE INFRARED SENSOR
TEMPERATURE COMPENSATED
CERTIFIED VERSION
TYPE MSH-CO2**



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FEATURES

- High sensitivity to carbon dioxide
- Standard sensor size
- Fast Response
- Internal temperature signal
- Gas diffusion sampling
- Temperature compensated detector elements
- Wide operating temperature range
- Low power

DESCRIPTION

Dynament infrared sensors operate by using the NDIR principle to monitor the presence of target gas. The sensor contains a long life tungsten filament infrared light source, an optical cavity into which gas diffuses, a dual temperature compensated pyroelectric infrared detector and an integral thermistor to monitor the internal temperature. The infrared source should be driven externally with a constant voltage supply switched at a fixed frequency with a 50% duty cycle. The dual pyroelectric detector produces two output signals in response to pulsed incident radiation from the source:

- An active signal which decreases in the presence of target gas
- A reference signal which is used to monitor the intensity of the source

Both signals are composed of a DC offset voltage (typically 0.7V – 1.0V) with a small superimposed response signal alternating in sympathy with the source drive voltage. The alternating signal must be extracted and amplified in order to obtain a measure of the peak to peak value for both the active and reference. The ratio of active to reference peak to peak signals is essentially independent of variations in source intensity over time and this ratio reduces in the presence of target gas. It is the reduction in this ratio that is used to determine the target gas concentration. The reduction in ratio is non-linear and the gas concentration can be extracted using the expression:

$$[\text{concentration}] = (-\ln(1 - (1 - \text{Ratio}/\text{zero})/\text{span})) / a)^{1/b}$$

Where **zero** is the ratio in the absence of target gas, **span** is determined during calibration and

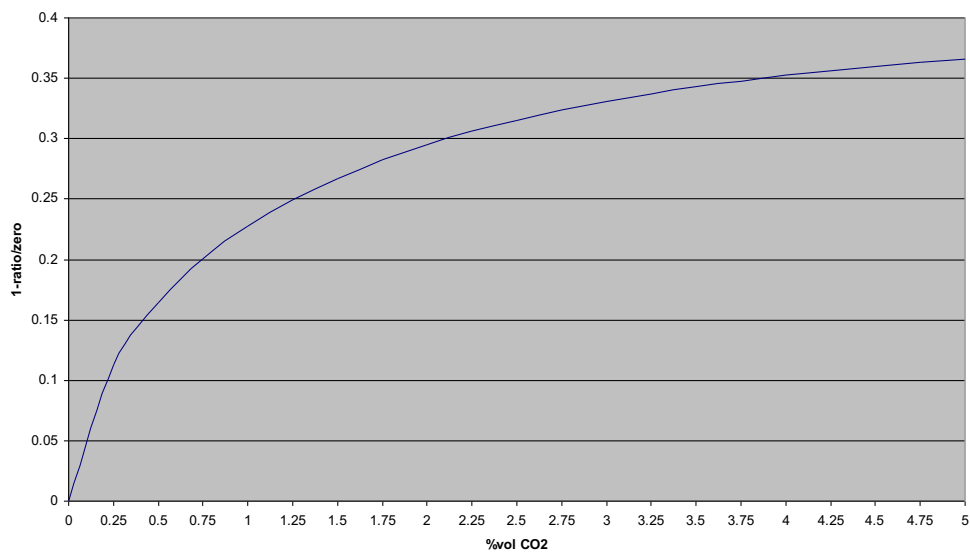
a = 0.00059896, **b** = 0.87404 and the typical **span** = 0.22 for a range of 0-5000ppm CO₂.

a = 0.84096, **b** = 0.66972 and the typical **span** = 0.3 for a range of 0-5% volume CO₂.

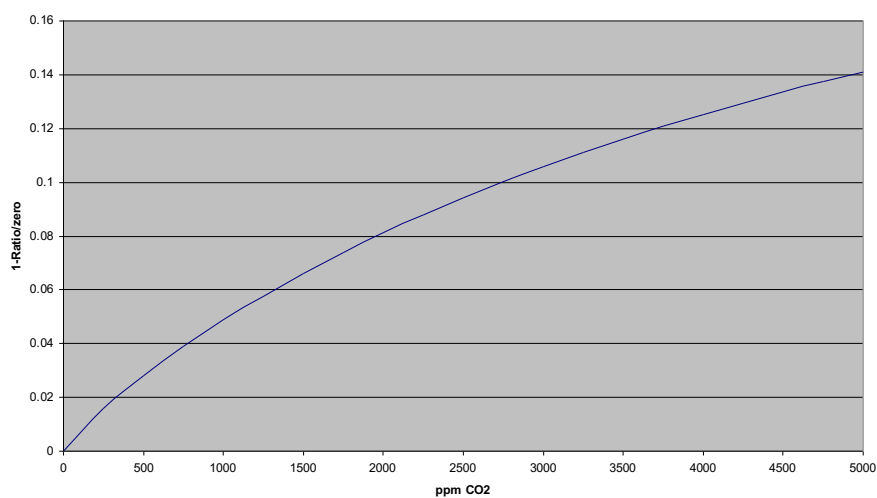
The internal temperature signal is used to measure the temperature inside the sensor. This temperature measurement is used to correct for the ideal gas law and to correct for any optical filter effects on zero and span as a function of temperature. The internal temperature is typically 10°C higher than ambient at 20°C due to the heat generated from the infrared source. This internal heating beneficially reduces the probability of water condensing within the optical cavity.

Further details on the sensor, interfacing circuitry, signal extraction and relative responses to other hydrocarbons can be found in the Dynament application notes on the Dynament web site or by contacting Dynament directly.

Typical response to 0-5.0% volume CO₂



Typical response to 0-5000ppm CO₂



CERTIFICATION DETAILS	
European ATEX Certification	Sensor type MSH ***
Approval body	SIRA
Certificate Number	SIRA 04ATEX1357U
Test Standards	EN60079-0:2012+A11:2013, EN60079-1:2014, EN60079-11:2012, EN60079-26:2015
Certification Codes	I M2 Ex db I Mb II 2 G Ex db IIC Gb
Input parameters	0.8W max, 30V max. (See footnote)
Operating temperature	-20°C to +60°C (See footnote)
International IECEx Certification	Sensor type MSH ***
Approval body	SIRA
Certificate Number	IECEx SIR 05.0053U
Test Standards	IEC 60079-0:2011 IEC60079-1:2014 IEC 60079-11:2011 EN 60079-26:2014
Certification Codes	Ex db I and/or Ex db IIC
Input parameters	0.8W max, 30V max.
Operating temperature	-20°C to +60°C (See footnote)
North American Certification	Sensor type MSH ***
Approval body	Underwriters Laboratory Inc.
File Reference	E336365
Test Standards	UL 60079 – 0, 4 th Edition UL 60079 - 1, 6 th Edition CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 60079-0-1-7 CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 60079-1 part 1, 1 st Edition
Hazardous Locations	Class 1, Zone 1, AEx d IIC and Ex d IIC Hazardous Locations
Input/Entity parameters	0.8W max, 30V max.
Input parameters are defined for certification purposes only, refer to the “Specification” table for the sensor operating voltage and temperature range.	

Warranty information

All Dynament Standard sensors carry a two-year warranty against defects in materials and workmanship. The warranty is invalidated if the sensors are used under conditions other than those specified in this data sheet.

Attention should be paid to the following criteria:

- **Observe the correct supply polarity**
- **Do not exceed the maximum rated lamp supply voltage of 5V**
- **Do not solder directly to the sensor pins**
- **Do not expose the sensor to corrosive gases**
- **Do not allow liquids to enter the sensor**