# TECHNICAL DATA

## MQ-3 GAS SENSOR

### FEATURES

\* High sensitivity to alcohol and small sensitivity to Benzine .

- \* Fast response and High sensitivity
- \* Stable and long life
- \* Simple drive circuit

#### APPLICATION

They are suitable for alcohol checker, Breathalyser.

#### SPECIFICATIONS

#### A. Standard work condition

Symbol	Parameter name	Technical condition	Remarks
Vc	Circuit voltage	5V±0.1	AC OR DC
V <sub>H</sub>	Heating voltage	5V±0.1	ACOR DC
R <sub>L</sub>	Load resistance	200ΚΩ	
R <sub>H</sub>	Heater resistance	$33\Omega\pm5\%$	Room Tem
P <sub>H</sub>	Heating consumption	less than 750mw	

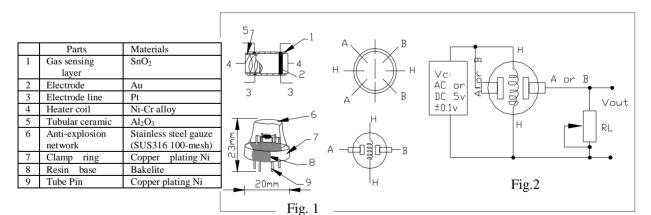
B. Environment condition

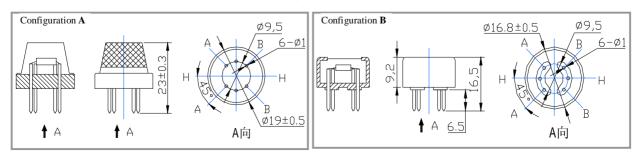
Symbol	Parameter name	Technical condition	Remarks
Tao	Using Tem	-10°C-50°C	
Tas	Storage Tem	-20°C-70°C	
R <sub>H</sub>	Related humidity	less than 95% Rh	
O <sub>2</sub>	Oxygen concentration	21%(standard condition)Oxygen	minimum value is
		concentration can affect sensitivity	over 2%

### C. Sensitivity characteristic

Symbol	Parameter name	Technical parameter	Remarks
Rs	Sensing Resistance	$1 \operatorname{M} \Omega - 8 \operatorname{M} \Omega$ (0.4mg/L alcohol )	Detecting concentration scope:
			0.05mg/L-10mg/L
α (0.4/1 mg/L)	Concentration slope rate	≤0.6	Alcohol
Standard	Temp: $20^{\circ}C \pm 2^{\circ}C$	Vc:5V±0.1	
detecting condition	Humidity: 65%±5%	Vh: 5V±0.1	
Preheat time	Over 24 hour		]

D. Structure and configuration, basic measuring circuit





Structure and configuration of MQ-3 gas sensor is shown as Fig. 1 (Configuration A or B), sensor composed by micro AL<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> ceramic tube, Tin Dioxide (SnO<sub>2</sub>) sensitive layer, measuring electrode and heater are fixed into a crust made by plastic and stainless steel net. The heater provides necessary work conditions for work of sensitive components. The enveloped MQ-3 have 6 pin ,4 of them are used to fetch signals, and other 2 are used for providing heating current.

Electric parameter measurement circuit is shown as Fig.2

E. Sensitivity characteristic curve

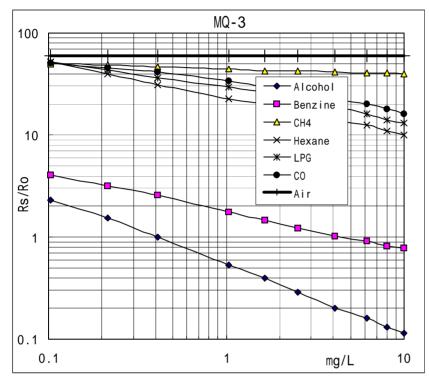


Fig.3 is shows the typical sensitivity characteristics of the MQ-3 for several gases. in their: Temp:  $20^{\circ}C_{\times}$ Humidity:  $65\%_{\times}$  $O_2$  concentration 21% RL=200k  $\Omega$ Ro: sensor resistance at 0.4mg/L of Alcohol in the clean air. Rs:sensor resistance at various concentrations of gases.

Fig.2 sensitivity characteristics of the MQ-3

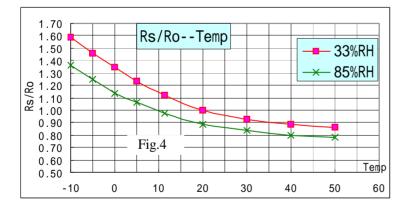


Fig.4 is shows the typical dependence of the MQ-3 on temperature and humidity. Ro: sensor resistance at 0.4mg/L of Alcohol in air at 33% RH and 20 °C Rs: sensor resistance at 0.4mg/L of Alcohol at different temperatures and humidities.

#### SENSITVITY ADJUSTMENT

Resistance value of MQ-3 is difference to various kinds and various concentration gases. So,When using this components, sensitivity adjustment is very necessary. we recommend that you calibrate the detector for 0.4mg/L (approximately 200ppm) of Alcohol concentration in air and use value of Load resistancethat( $R_L$ ) about 200 K $\Omega$  (100K $\Omega$  to 470 K $\Omega$ ).

When accurately measuring, the proper alarm point for the gas detector should be determined after considering the temperature and humidity influence.

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