

# TECHNICAL DATA

# MQ-4 GAS SENSOR

## FEATURES

- \* High sensitivity to CH<sub>4</sub> , Natural gas.
- \* Small sensitivity to alcohol, smoke.
- \* Fast response .      \* Stable and long life      \* Simple drive circuit

## APPLICATION

They are used in gas leakage detecting equipments in family and industry, are suitable for detecting of CH<sub>4</sub>,Natural gas.LNG, avoid the noise of alcohol and cooking fumes and cigarette smoke.

## SPECIFICATIONS

### A. Standard work condition

Symbol	Parameter name	Technical condition	Remarks
V <sub>c</sub>	Circuit voltage	5V±0.1	AC OR DC
V <sub>H</sub>	Heating voltage	5V±0.1	ACOR DC
P <sub>L</sub>	Load resistance	20K	
R <sub>H</sub>	Heater resistance	33 ± 5%	Room Tem
P <sub>H</sub>	Heating consumption	less than 750mw	

### B. Environment condition

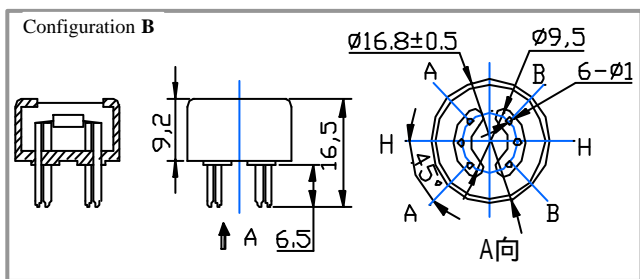
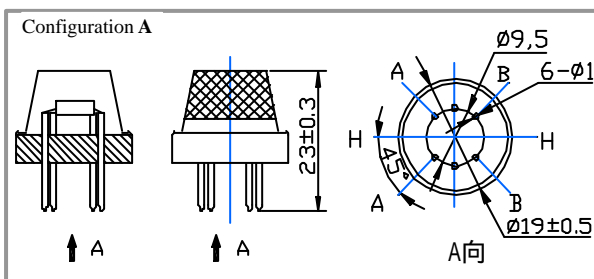
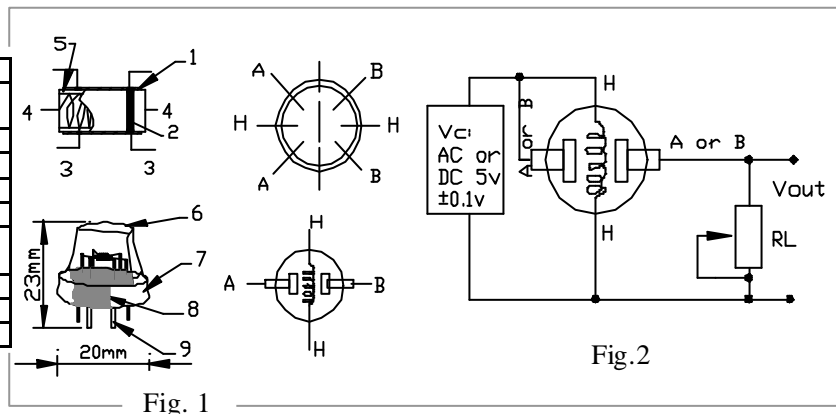
Symbol	Parameter name	Technical condition	Remarks
Tao	Using Tem	-10 -50	
Tas	Storage Tem	-20 -70	
R <sub>H</sub>	Related humidity	less than 95%Rh	
O <sub>2</sub>	Oxygen concentration	21%(standard condition)Oxygen concentration can affect sensitivity	

### C. Sensitivity characteristic

Symbol	Parameter name	Technical parameter	Ramark 2
R <sub>s</sub>	Sensing Resistance	10K - 60K (1000ppm CH <sub>4</sub> )	Detecting concentration scope : 200-10000ppm CH <sub>4</sub> , natural gas
(1000ppm/ 5000ppm CH <sub>4</sub> )	Concentration slope rate	0.6	
Standard detecting condition	Temp: 20 ± 2 Humidity: 65%± 5%	V <sub>c</sub> :5V±0.1 V <sub>h</sub> : 5V±0.1	
Preheat time	Over 24 hour		

### D. Strucyure and configuration, basic measuring circuit

Parts	Materials
1 Gas sensing layer	SnO <sub>2</sub>
2 Electrode	Au
3 Electrode line	Pt
4 Heater coil	Ni-Cr alloy
5 Tubular ceramic	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>
6 Anti-explosion network	Stainless steel gauze (SUS316 100-mesh)
7 Clamp ring	Copper plating Ni
8 Resin base	Bakelite
9 Tube Pin	Copper plating Ni



Structure and configuration of MQ-4 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-4 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

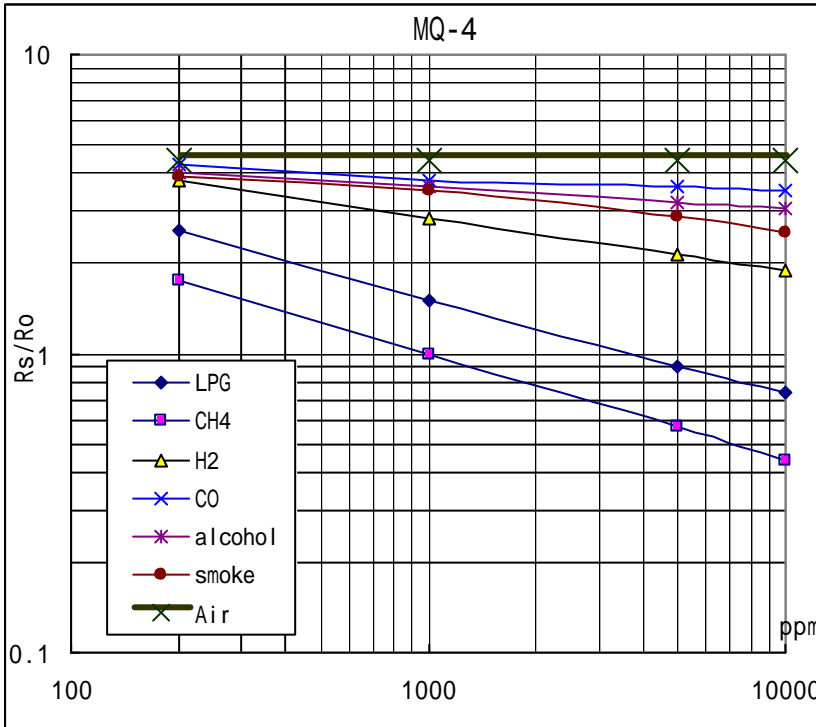


Fig.2 sensitivity characteristics of the MQ-4

Fig.3 is shows the typical sensitivity characteristics of the MQ-4 for several gases. in their: Temp: 20 °C, Humidity: 65%, O<sub>2</sub> concentration 21%, RL=20k  
Ro: sensor resistance at 1000ppm of CH<sub>4</sub> in the clean air.  
Rs: sensor resistance at various concentrations of gases.

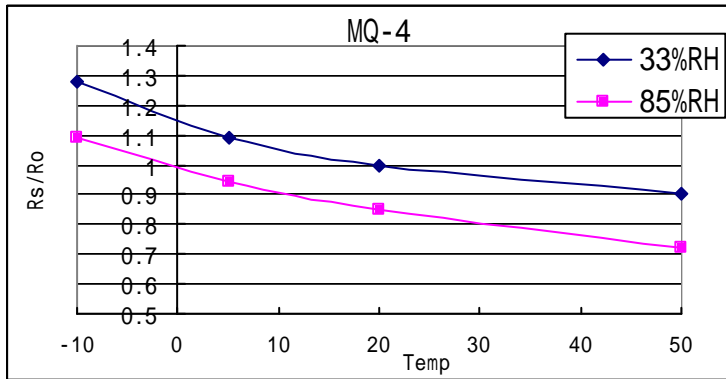


Fig.4 is shows the typical dependence of the MQ-4 on temperature and humidity. Ro: sensor resistance at 1000ppm of CH<sub>4</sub> in air at 33%RH and 20 degree.  
Rs: sensor resistance at 1000ppm of CH<sub>4</sub> in air at different temperatures and humidities.

### SENSITIVITY ADJUSTMENT

Resistance value of MQ-4 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 5000ppm of CH<sub>4</sub> concentration in air and use value of Load resistance ( R<sub>L</sub>) about 20K ( 10K to 47K ).

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