

1. DESCRIPTION:

The MQ5 is used in gas leakage detecting equipments in consumer and industrial applications, this sensor is suitable for detecting LPG, natural gas and coal gas. The sensitivity can be adjusted by using the potentiometer.

2. Reference Source:

/* Testing MQ-5 GAS sensor with serial monitor
Suitable for detecting of LPG, Natural gas and coal gas*/

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const int gasPin = A0; //GAS sensor output pin to Arduino analog A0 pin
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void setup()  
{  
  Serial.begin(9600); //Initialize serial port - 9600 bps  
}
```

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void loop()  
{  
  Serial.println(analogRead(gasPin));  
  delay(1000); // Print value every 1 sec.  
}
```

TECHNICAL DATA

MQ-5 GAS SENSOR

FEATURES

- * High sensitivity to LPG, natural gas , town 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 LPG, natural gas , town gas, avoid the noise of alcohol and cooking fumes and cigarette smoke.

SPECIFICATIONS

A. Standard work condition

Symbol	Parameter name	Technical condition	Remarks
V _c	Circuit voltage	5V±0.1	AC OR DC
V _H	Heating voltage	5V±0.1	AC OR DC
P _L	Load resistance	20KΩ	
R _H	Heater resistance	31±10%	Room Tem
P _H	Heating consumption	less than 800mw	

B. Environment condition

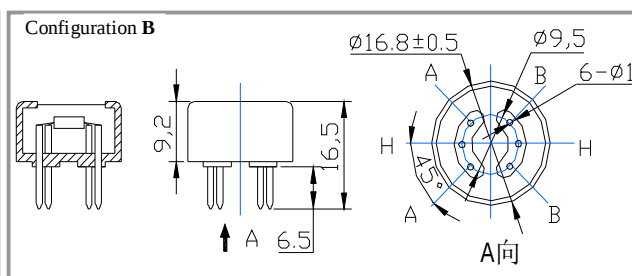
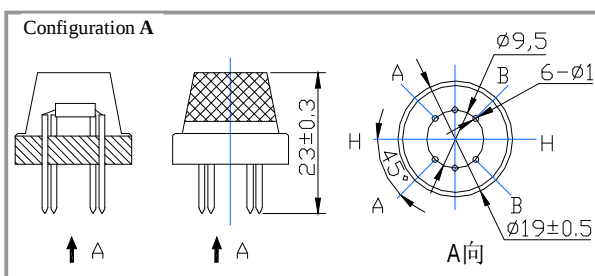
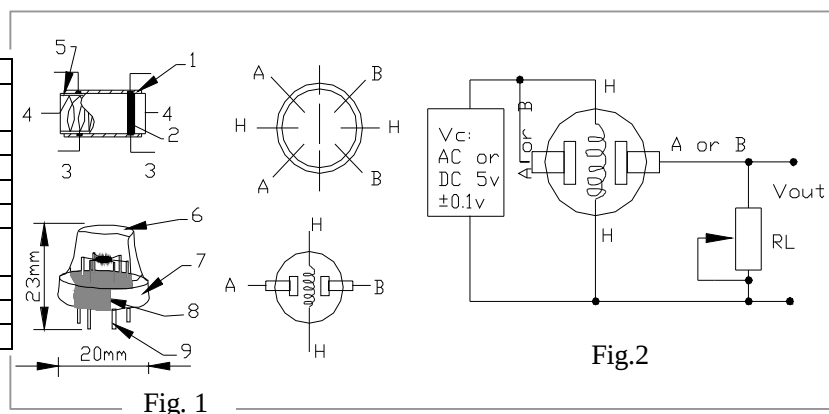
Symbol	Parameter name	Technical condition	Remarks
T _{ao}	Using Tem	-10℃-50℃	
T _{as}	Storage Tem	-20℃-70℃	
R _H	Related humidity	less than 95%Rh	
O ₂	Oxygen concentration	21%(standard condition)Oxygen concentration can affect sensitivity	minimum value is over 2%

C. Sensitivity characteristic

Symbol	Parameter name	Technical parameter	Remarks
Rs	Sensing Resistance	10K Ω - 60K Ω (5000ppm methane)	Detecting concentration scope: 200-10000ppm LPG,LNG Natural gas, iso-butane, propane Town gas
α (5000ppm/1000 ppm CH ₄)	Concentration slope rate	≤0.6	
Standard detecting condition	Temp: 20℃ ±2℃ Humidity: 65%±5%	Vc:5V±0.1 Vh: 5V±0.1	
Preheat time	Over 24 hour		

D. Strucyure and configuration, basic measuring circuit

	Parts	Materials
1	Gas sensing layer	SnO ₂
2	Electrode	Au
3	Electrode line	Pt
4	Heater coil	Ni-Cr alloy
5	Tubular ceramic	Al ₂ O ₃
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-5 gas sensor is shown as Fig. 1 (Configuration A or B), sensor composed by

micro Al_2O_3 ceramic tube, Tin Dioxide (SnO_2) 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-5 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-5

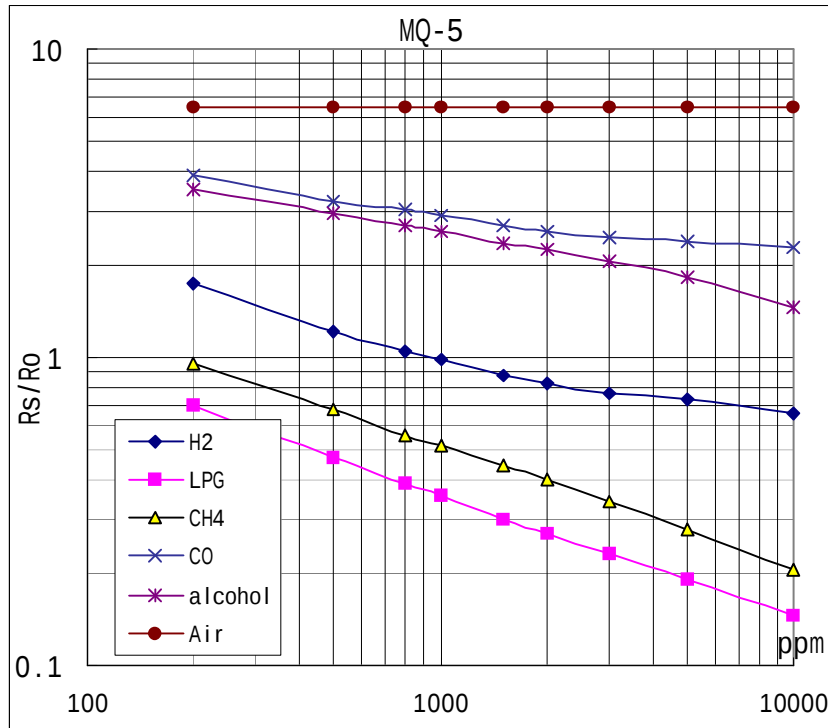


Fig.3 is shows the typical sensitivity characteristics of the MQ-5 for several gases.

in their: Temp: 20°C、
Humidity: 65%、
 O_2 concentration 21%
 $R_L=20k\ \Omega$

R_0 : sensor resistance at 1000ppm of H_2 in the clean air.

R_s :sensor resistance at various concentrations of gases.

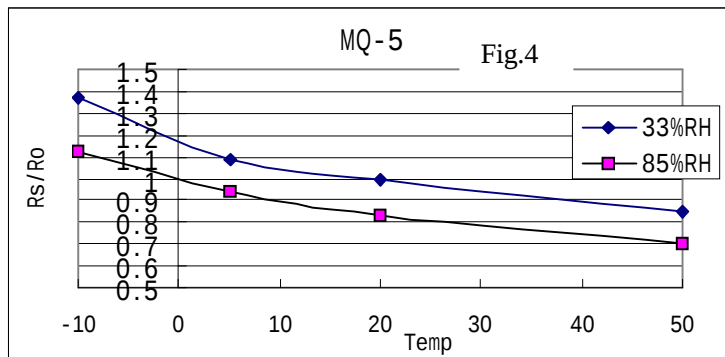


Fig.4 is shows the typical dependence of the MQ-5 on temperature and humidity.
 R_0 : sensor resistance at 1000ppm of H_2 in air at 33%RH and 20 degree.

R_s : sensor resistance at different temperatures and humidities.

SENSITIVITY ADJUSTMENT

Resistance value of MQ-5 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 1000ppm H_2 or LPG concentration in air and use value of Load resistance (R_L) about 20 K Ω (10K Ω to 47K Ω).

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