



Hydrogen Gas Module 0-2% volume

# H2-20000 SS Micro TX

## Technical Specification

## » Product Overview

The SS Micro TX Hydrogen Gas Module is the perfect combination of a state-of-the-art high-precision sensing device with a sophisticated circuit board. The sensor module uses a small size, solid polymer electrochemical sensor, which accurately detects very low concentrations of gases. It replaces our nose to reliably 'sniff out' the gas concentration and enables precise gas detection. The module serves an UART digital output for ease-of-use, eliminating the need for customers to understand the sensor application and the tedious work of calibration.



## » Features

- High precision environmental monitoring application
- Independent temperature and humidity digital sensors output, combined with intelligent algorithms, stronger environmental adaptability
- Fast response, fast return to zero, plug and play
- Easy to use, UART digital signal output, zero drift
- Durable and reliable, long lifetime and stable detection
- New microcircuit design, strong anti-electromagnetic interference ability, good anti-toxicity
- With fixed mounting holes for easy installation
- Low power consumption and sleeping mode (suitable for and IoT applications)
- RoHS approved eco-friendly design

## » Applications

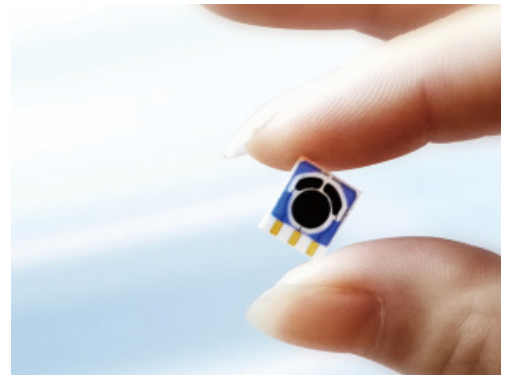
- Hydrogen leakage monitoring for hydrogen energy vehicles
- Hydrogen safety monitoring in industrial production process
- Environmental safety monitoring of hydrogen energy storage and transportation
- Petroleum and petrochemical industry monitoring applications
- Metallurgy, food processing, electronic industry process applications



## » Principle

The solid polymer electrochemical technology is a revolutionary innovation in the field of electrochemical detection. This technology is based on the principle of electrochemical catalytic reaction, detecting the output signals of the electrochemical reactions of different gases and accurately measuring the gas concentration through the signal.

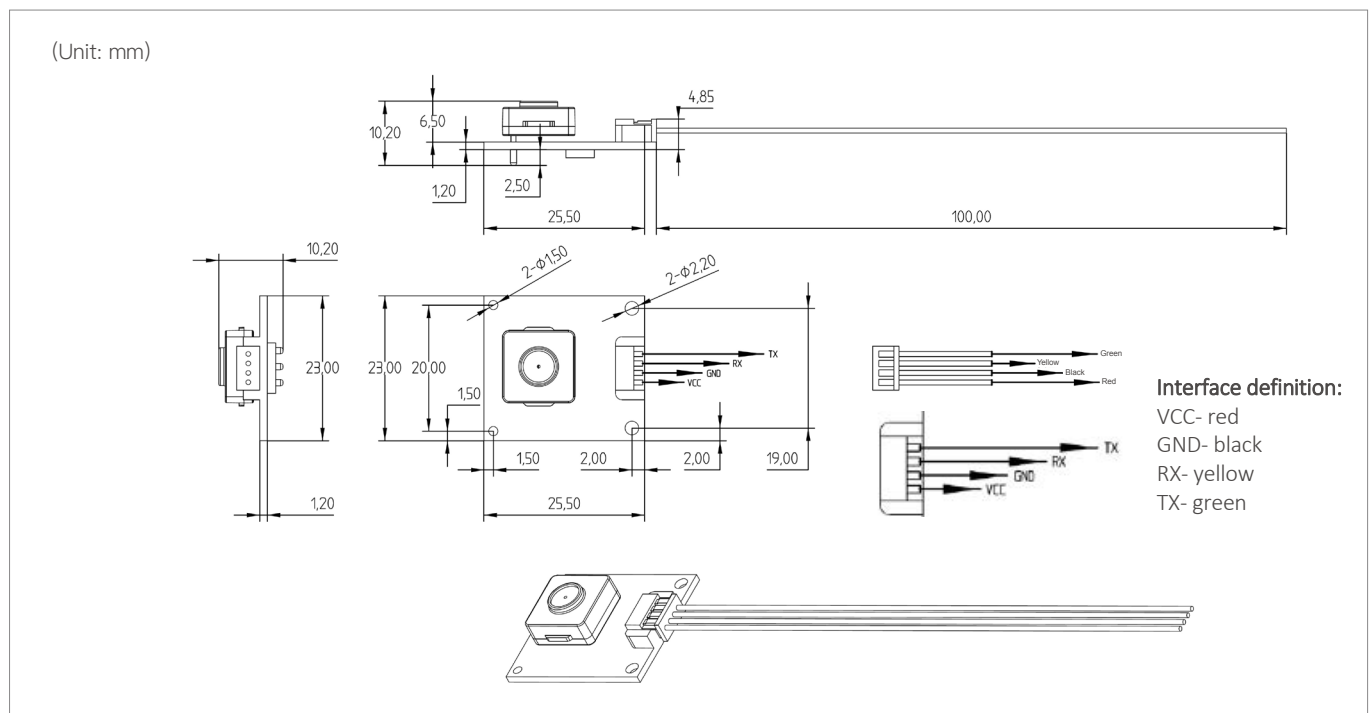
The sensor is composed of three electrodes in contact with the electrolyte. A typical electrode consists of a large surface area of noble metal and other materials. The electrode, electrolyte and the surrounding air are in contact and the gas diffuses into the working electrode. Here the gas will be oxidized, which causes a current, proportional to the gas concentration.



## » Order Information

Product	Part Number	Range	Resolution
Hydrogen Gas Module	2112B0127104	0-2%vol	0.01%vol
4 Pin Cable	2112B012762		

## » Structure Diagram



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Principle	Solid Polymer Electrochemical Sensing Technology
Order Number	2112B0127104
Detection of Gas	H <sub>2</sub> Hydrogen Gas
Detection Range	0 - 2%vol; Display resolution: 0.01%vol
Lowest Detection Limit	0.01%vol
Full-Scale Accuracy Error	± 5% F.S
Warm-Up Time	Stored in clean air for the first power on < 120 seconds
	Stored in non-clean air for the first power on < 180 seconds (except in the presence of high concentrations of polluted gas)
Response Time	< 3 seconds ( T50: < 40 seconds; T90: < 80 seconds; T100: < 180 seconds;)
Calibration Substance	2% vol measurement range: 1% vol is H <sub>2</sub> gas calibration
	Note: The smaller the range, the higher the detection accuracy. It is not recommended for users to use it beyond the range.
Expected Sensor Lifetime	More than three years in relatively clean air, temperature 0-25°C , humidity 30-70% (Sensor life will be reduced if often exposed to corrosive gas, high temperature environment and < 20% low humidity environment)
Relative Temperature Error	± 0.2°C
Relative Humidity Error	± 2%
Output	3.3V UART digital signal (see below for communication protocol)
	Interface definition: VCC- red, GND- black, RX- yellow, TX- green
	Baud rate: 9600 Data bits: 8 bits Stop bits: 1 bit
Get Data Command	Communication has active upload and Q & A mode. The default mode is Q & A mode after power-on. You can use instructions to switch between the two modes. Or Q & A mode is restored by power off or switch power mode
Working Voltage	3.3 - 5.5V DC
Working Current	< 5mA
Power Consumption	Ad sleeping mode power consumption 25mW @ 5V ad Q&A mode power consumption
Repeatability	Full range 2% vol ± 1% is the normal range
Working Temperature	-40°C to +55°C
Optimal Working Temperature	20°C to 35°C
Working Humidity	15% - 95% RH. (Non-condensing)
Optimum Working Humidity	50% RH.
Working Pressure	Atm ± 10%
Board Size	23 x 25.5 x 10.2mm (with sensor)
Board Size	23 x 25.5 x 4.85mm (without sensor)
Weight	3.1g
Signal Cable	The standard length is shown in the structure diagram and can be customized if there are special requirements.

## » Cross Sensitivity

Gas	Molecules Formula	Concentration (ppm)	Response (ppm)
Ammonia	NH <sub>3</sub>	50	0
Carbon Dioxide	CO <sub>2</sub>	1000	0
Carbon Monoxide	CO	200	1000
Chlorine	Cl <sub>2</sub>	5	0
Methane	CH <sub>4</sub>	1%vol	0
Hydrogen Cyanide	HCN	10	0
Isopropanol	C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>8</sub> O	1000	0
Nitric Oxide	NO	25	0
Nitrogen Dioxide	NO <sub>2</sub>	10	0
Hydrogen Chloride	HCl	20	0
Hydrogen Fluoride	HF	3	0
Hydrogen Sulphide	H <sub>2</sub> S	10	0
Silane	SiH <sub>4</sub>	5	0
Sulfur Dioxide	SO <sub>2</sub>	10	0

Note: 1 ) The above interference factors may vary due to different sensors and service life. Please refer to the actual test results.  
 2 ) This table is not complete for all gases, and the sensor may be sensitive to other gases.

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**Thank you for choosing our Micro TX Gas module. Before using it, please read this document in detail in order to use our products correctly and effectively.**

### Storage

The solid sensor can be stored for more than 1 year at a humidity of 20-95% and a temperature of -5 to +25 °C. Ensure that the storage environment is free from high concentrations of contaminated gases. Sensors that have been stored for more than 6 months should have a first power-on polarization of more than 12 hours to fully activate the electrolyte and restore best detection state.

1. The best storage environment is: temperature -5°C to +25°C , relative humidity 25% - 95% (non-condensing);
2. The storage environment should be clean air, no pollution gas, no high concentration organic gas, no dust, no smoke;
3. Avoid storage with alcohol (ethanol), perfume, sodium silicate, and polyurethane liquids and solids.

### Packaging and transportation

1. Avoid prolonged direct sunlight during transportation, prevent rainwater penetration;
2. Transport packaging should provide protection with shock-proof bubble film or odourless environmentally friendly sponge;
3. During long-term long-distance transportation, the temperature in the sensor package should be kept below 40°C as much as possible, and the maximum temperature should not exceed 55°C (do not store or use at this temperature for a long time);
4. During transportation of the finished product, seal the air inlet of the sensor as much as possible to prevent contaminated gas from entering the sensor, which will cause high values or a long stabilization time when the product is first used .

### Steps for usage

#### 1. Wiring

- Perform the corresponding wiring according to the identification of the output signal port of the structure diagram. Please refer to the 4 Pin signal line label in the Structure Diagram above (Page 6). For the power supply, see the voltage and current ranges marked in the indicators. Note: incorrect wiring will cause the module to malfunction or damage the module.

#### 2. Warm-up time

- The H<sub>2</sub> module needs a short stabilization time after power-on. The module is designed with plug-and-play function, and usually the stabilization time is within 2 minutes. However, if concentration of contaminated gas is high during storage, transportation or on-site environments, the stabilization time will increase. If the on-site ambient air is highly fluid, there will be fluctuations in the data. Please pay close attention to the on-site environment. When the environmental condition is stable and there is no strong convection and air exchange (such as open windows, open doors, fans, air conditioners, fresh air systems, etc.), as soon as the output signal is constant, detection can begin.
- (Note: Since it is a high-precision module, the first power-on stabilization time varies under different storage and measurement environments.)
- When the module is stable, Hydrogen is usually present in normal air. Please refer to the Hydrogen data released by the nearest local environmental monitoring station for reference.

#### 3. Diffusion use

- The module functions by diffusion detection with ambient gas, that is, the airflow naturally diffuses into the sensor. When the environment has a flow rate, it is necessary to ensure that the flow rate is within 500ml and that the flow rate is stable. The change of flow will cause the signal to fluctuate. When the flow is large, it will bring a change of pressure, which will cause the sensor signal value to change. The flow velocity will generate pressure, and the change in pressure will cause the output signal to change. The signal will increase when the pressure increases and the sensor signal will change suddenly when the pressure changes suddenly. Avoid negative pressure environments, which will cause irreparable physical damage to the sensor.

#### 4. Temperature and humidity effects

- The module has been corrected for temperature compensation through an intelligent algorithm, which is suitable for the detection environment of 0 to +40°C. The sensor can work in the environment of -40°C to +55°C. There will be detection values in the temperature range outside the temperature compensation. The deviation is large. If you have special requirements, please contact us to discuss customization.

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- The sensor is not affected by normal humidity changes, but rapid humidity changes will cause instantaneous peak changes. This is mainly due to condensation on the sensor surface caused by humidity changes, which will prevent outside air from entering the sensor, but the sensor will stabilize within a short time. Frequent and rapid changes in temperature or humidity will affect the chemical materials and cause the sensor life to be unexpectedly reduced. Due to the principle and characteristics of electrochemical sensors, changes in the environment have different levels of influence on the chemical electrolyte inside the sensor. The H<sub>2</sub> sensor module analyzes the changes of the sensor's current data in detail through different environmental temperature and humidity impact tests, and combines the temperature and humidity sensor data to perform algorithmic compensation. During use of the sensor, pay attention to the sudden changes in temperature and humidity which will cause the sensor data to fluctuate abnormally. The H<sub>2</sub> sensor has good adaptability to the environment. Generally, it can fully adapt to the new environment and stabilize in 5-10 minutes.
- The sensor module must not be used and stored for a long time in a high-temperature and low-humidity environment with humidity below 10% and a temperature above 55°C. Doing so may result in reduced sensor life, or failure, or invalid test data.

### Precautions

1. The main function of the gas sensor is to detect the gas composition and content. Please do not let any part of the sensor contact liquid;
2. Different gas sensors have different measurement concentration ranges. Do not measure high-concentration gases for a long time period;
3. The white or yellow sheet on the sensor is a waterproof and breathable film - please be careful not to scratch or pull it off;
4. Do not block or contaminate the surface of the sensor. Sometimes blockage of the hole is the cause of reduced sensitivity and slow response time;
5. Please do not exchange the sensors of different gas modules. Doing so will cause measurement errors, because all the parameters of each sensor and each circuit board are matched and calibrated, and there will be deviations after the exchange;
6. Once the micro sensor is unplugged and re-inserted into the circuit board, please check that the three electrodes of the sensor correspond to the socket on the circuit board correctly to avoid irreversible damage to the sensor after reverse insertion;
7. Avoid excessive impact or vibration. If the case is broken and the internal structure is exposed, the output will no longer be reliable;
8. Pins must not be broken or bent. Doing so may damage the internal structure of the sensor;
9. The sensor will be slow to return to the initial state after long-term use in a high-concentration gas environment. The recovery speed is proportional to the overrange multiple;
10. The sensor should not be used in high concentrations and strong viscous gas for a long time period;
11. Please do not disassemble the sensor as it will damage the sensor;
12. Measurement range and accuracy. Select a gas sensor that matches the range and accuracy according to the actual application requirements and the gas concentration range. Otherwise, the gas may not be detected, accurate data may not be judged, and the sensor may be damaged;
13. When conducting on-site detection of Hydrogen, avoid the interference of other high-concentration gases on the site with Hydrogen, which will cause the error rate of the test results to increase.
14. Due to the principle and characteristics of the electrochemical sensor, in order to ensure long life and best working state of the sensor, the sensor should be kept in a continuous power state as much as possible;
15. When the Hydrogen module encounters high-concentration gases during use, such as Hydrogen, ethanol gas, and volatile organic gas, after impact the recovery time will be slower. Placement in a clean air environment can shorten the recovery time.

### Sensor quality inspection

1. Each sensor produced is factory inspected, with a comprehensive performance test of the main indicators of the sensor. In the sensor manufacturing process, we perform four index tests in different process links to screen out nonconforming products. After production and before delivery, each sensor is tested. The sensors are installed in the gas distribution test system, and tested with full-scale standard gas for a continuous 3-5 minutes. After the test is completed, the system will automatically generate a standard sensor test report (including: serial number, sensitivity, response time T50 T90, return zero time, zero current, maximum current value) strictly in accordance with the system preset parameters of standard qualified products. Sensors are rejected where standards are not met and then treated as nonconforming products.

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2. All modules are calibrated with standard gas to ensure the consistency and accuracy of the sensor.

### Disclaimer

Performance data stated above is based on data obtained under test conditions using our gas distribution system and test software.

Cross sensitivity gases are not target gases. Performance characteristics on this data sheet outline the performance of newly supplied sensors. Output signal can drift below the lower limit over time. Relationships and performance can change with ageing of the sensor.

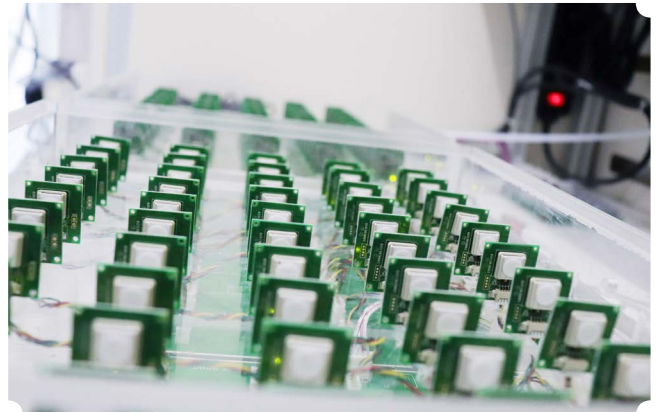
Sensors are designed to operate in a wide range of harsh environments and conditions. However, it is important to avoid exposure to high concentrations of solvent during storage, fitting into instrumentation and operation. By the nature of the technology used, any sensor can potentially fail to meet specification without warning. Euro-Gas makes every effort to ensure reliability of all sensors but where life safety is a performance requirement of the product and, where practical, Euro-Gas recommends that all gas sensors and instruments using sensors are checked for response to gas before use.

At the end of the product's service life, please do not discard any electronics in household waste. Please dispose it in accordance with local government regulations on electronic waste recycling.

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Sensor Production Test



Test module, test calibration

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## Communication Protocol

### General Settings

The sensor module uses serial communication. The communication configuration parameters are as follows:

Baud rate	9600
Data bits	8 bits
Stop bits	1 bit
Parity bit	None

**Note:** The communication has active upload and question-and-answer mode. The default mode is Q & A mode after power-on. You can use commands to switch between the two modes. After power-off or switch power consumption mode, the Q&A mode is restored.

### Transmission mode switching instruction

**Command 1** Switches to active upload. The command line format is as follows:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Start bit	Retain	Switch command	Active upload	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Checksum
0xFF	0x01	0x78	0x40	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x47

**Note:** This format is fixed

**Command 2** Switch to passive upload. The command line format is as follows:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Start bit	Retain	Switch command	Answer	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Checksum
0xFF	0x01	0x78	0x41	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x46

**Note:** This format is fixed

### Commands in query mode

**Command 3** Get the sensor type, maximum range, unit, and decimal places: 0xD1

Return value:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Sensor type	Maximum range high	Maximum range low	Unit	Retain	Retain	Retain	Number of decimal places(bit 4 bit 7 Data sign (bit 0 bit 3 )	
0x1B	0x00	0xC8	0x02	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x01	0x35

**Note:**

Max range (Max range high << 8) Max range low

Unit: 0x02 (ppm and mg / m<sup>3</sup>) 0x04 (ppb and ug / m<sup>3</sup>)

Signs: 0 (positive) 1 (negative)

Decimal places: how many decimal places to read the concentration value, the maximum number of decimal places is 3

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**Command 4** Get the sensor type, maximum range, unit, and decimal places: 0xD7

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Command header 1	Command header 2	Sensor type	Maximum range high	Maximum range low	Unit	Number of decimal (bit 4 bit 7) Data sign (bit 0 bit 3 )	Retain	Parity bit
0xFF	0xD7	0x1B	0x00	0xC8	0x02	0x01	0x00	0x43

**Description:**

Checksum: Add 1 7 to generate an 8-bit data, invert each bit, add 1 at the end

Decimal places bit 4 bit 7 :

(bit 7 << 3) (bit 6 << 2) (bit 5 << 1) bit 4 number of decimal places

Data sign (bit 0 bit 3 ):

(bit 3 << 3) (bit 2 << 2) (bit 1 << 1) bit 0 0 Negative inhibition

(bit 3 << 3) (bit 2 << 2) (bit 1 << 1) bit 0 1 Positive inhibition

Unit :

0x02: unit is mg/m<sup>3</sup> and ppm

0x04: unit is um/m<sup>3</sup> and ppb

0x08: unit is 10g/m<sup>3</sup> and %

**Command 5** The format for actively reading the gas concentration value is as follows:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Start bit	Retain	Command	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Checksum
0xFF	0x01	0x86	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x79

Return value:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Start bit	Command	High gas concentration (ug/m <sup>3</sup> )	Low gas concentration (ug/m <sup>3</sup> )	Full range high	Full range low	High gas concentration (ppb)	Low gas concentration (ppb)	Checksum
0xFF	0x86	0x00	0x2A	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x20	0x30

**Description:**

Checksum: Add 1 7 digits of data to generate an 8-bit data, invert each bit, add 1 at the end.

Gas concentration value gas concentration high bit 256 + gas concentration bit;

(The high and low concentrations need to be converted from hexadecimal to decimal and then brought into this formula to calculate)

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**Command 6** Combined reading command of gas concentration value and temperature and humidity

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Start bit	Retain	Command	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Checksum
0xFF	0x01	0x87	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x78

Return value:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Start bit	Command	High gas concentration (ug/m <sup>3</sup> )	Low gas concentration (ug/m <sup>3</sup> )	Full range high	Full range low	High gas concentration (ppb)	Low gas concentration (ppb)	Temperature high	Temperature low	Humidity high	Humidity low	Parity bit
0xFF	0x87	0x00	0x2A	0x03	0xE8	0x00	0x20	0x09	0xC4	0x13	0x88	0xDC

**Description:**

Checksum: 1 11 bits of data are added to generate an 8-bit data, each bit is inverted, and 1 is added at the end.

Gas concentration value gas concentration high bit 256 + gas concentration bit;

(The high and low concentrations need to be converted from hexadecimal to decimal and then brought into this formula to calculate)

Temperature is signed data with two decimal places, the unit is (°C -Celsius). Pseudo code calculation formula:

$$T = (\text{float})(\text{int})((0x0A \ll 8) \text{ } 0x09) / 100$$

Humidity is data without sign and two decimal places, the unit is (rh%). Pseudo code calculation formula:

$$Rh = (\text{float})(\text{uint})((0x0A \ll 8) \text{ } 0x09) / 100$$

**Command 7** Get the current temperature and humidity:

Return value:

0	1	2	3
Temperature high 8 bit	Temperature low 8 bit	Humidity high 8 bit	Humidity low 8 bit
0x0A	0x09	0x11	0xF4

**Description:**

Temperature is signed data with two decimal places, the unit is (°C -Celsius). Pseudo code calculation formula:

$$T = (\text{float})(\text{int})((0x0A \ll 8) \text{ } 0x09) / 100$$

Humidity is data without sign and two decimal places, the unit is (rh%). Pseudo code calculation formula:

$$Rh = (\text{float})(\text{uint})((0x0A \ll 8) \text{ } 0x09) / 100$$

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**Command 8** Get the current temperature and humidity with calibration

Return value:

0	1	2	3	4
Temperature high 8 bit	Temperature low 8 bit	Humidity high 8 bit	Humidity low 8 bit	Checksum
0x0A	0x09	0x11	0xF4	0xE8

**Description:**

Checksum: 0 3 bits of data are added to generate an 8-bit data. Each bit is inverted, plus 1 at the end.

Temperature is data with a sign and two decimal places. The unit is (°C -Celsius). Pseudo-code calculation formula:

$$T = \text{float}(\text{int}((0x0A \ll 8) \oplus 0x09)) / 100$$

Humidity is data without sign and two decimal places, the unit is (rh%). pseudo code calculation formula:

$$Rh = \text{float}(\text{uint}((0x0A \ll 8) \oplus 0x09)) / 100$$

**Command 9** Get the current version number

Return value:

0	1	2	3	4	5
0x19	0x05	0x27	0x00	0x10	0x01

**Data active upload mode**

The upload data format is as follows:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Start bit	Command	High gas concentration (ug/m <sup>3</sup> )	Low gas concentration (ug/m <sup>3</sup> )	Full range high	Full range low	High gas concentration (ppb)	Low gas concentration (ppb)	Checksum
0xFF	0x86	0x00	0x2A	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x20	0x30

**Note:**

Checksum: 1 11 bits of data are added to generate an 8-bit data, each bit is inverted, and 1 is added at the end.

Gas concentration value = gas concentration high bit \* 256 + gas concentration bit;

(The high and low concentrations need to be converted from hexadecimal to decimal and then brought into this formula to calculate)

**Communication Protocol**

**Low power switching**

**Enter sleep mode**

0	1	2	3	4	5
0xAF	0x53	0x6C	0x65	0x65	0x70

Return value:

0	1
0x4F	0x4B

**Exit sleep mode**

0	1	2	3	4
0xAE	0x45	0x78	0x69	0x74

Return value:

0	1
0x4F	0x4B

Note: After exiting sleep mode, it takes 5 seconds to recover, no data within 5 seconds

**0x19,0x07,0x06,0x13,0x47,0x25 Low power instructions that can be used later**

**Enter sleep mode**

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
0xA1	0x53	0x6C	0x65	0x65	0x70	0x32

Return value:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0xFF	0xA1	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	5F

**Exit sleep mode**

0	1	2	3	4	5
0xA2	0x45	0x78	0x69	0x74	0x32

Return value:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
0xFF	0xA2	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	5E

## Communication Protocol

### Turn off the running lights

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Start bit	Retain	Command	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Checksum
0xFF	0x01	0x88	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x77

Return:

0	1
0x4F	0x4B

### Turn on the running lights

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Start bit	Retain	Command	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Checksum
0xFF	0x01	0x89	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x76

Return:

0	1
0x4F	0x4B

### Query the running light status

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Start bit	Retain	Command	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Checksum
0xFF	0x01	0x8A	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x75

Return:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Start bit	Command	State value	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Retain	Checksum
0xFF	0x8A	0x01	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x00	0x75

Note: Status value 1 (light on), 0 (light off)

