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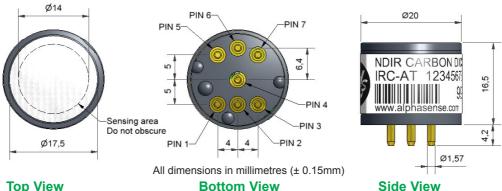
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IRC-AT CARBON DIOXIDE

INFRARED SENSOR Thermopile Detector



Figure 1 IRC-AT Schematic Diagram



Top View

Pin out details:

- 1. Lamp return
- 2. Lamp +5V
- 3. Not connected
- 4. Detector output.
- 5. Reference output
- Thermistor output
- 7. OV supply

Notes:

- 1. Dimensions without tolerances are nominal
- 2. Recommended PCB socket: Wearnes Cambion Ltd. code: 450-3326-01-06-00
- 3. Weight: 15g
- 4. Use antistatic precautions when handling
- 5. Do not cut pins
- 6. Do not solder directly to pins

PERFORMANCE

Maximum Power Requirements 5.0 VDC, 60 mA max. (50% duty cycle source drive) Minimum Operating Voltage 2.0 VDC, 20 mA max. (50% duty cycle source drive)

Source Drive Frequency

Active Output in N₂ (peak-to-peak) 4 to 7 mV @ 3 Hz, 50% duty cycle Reference Output in N₂ (peak-to-peak) 2 to 5 mV @ 3 Hz, 50% duty cycle

Response Time (t_{90}) < 40 s @ 20°C ambient

Warm-up Time To final zero ± 100 ppm: < 30 s @ 20°C To specification: < 30 minutes @ 20°C

LIFETIME

MTBF > 5 years

KEY SPECIFICATIONS

Temperature Signal Integral thermistor (NTC, R_{25} = 100K Ω B= 3940 K) Operating Temperature Range -20°C to +50°C (linear compensation from 0 to 40°C) -40°C to +75°C Storage Temperature Range

Humidity Range 0 to 95% rh non-condensing

TYPE*	Range (Application)	Accuracy (%FS, using universal linearisation coefficients)	Zero Resolution (ppm)	Full Scale Resolution (ppm)	Zero Repeatability (ppm)	Full Scale Repeatability (ppm)	Universal lin. coeff. b	Universal lin. coeff. c	calibration
IAQ	0 to 5000ppm (IAQ)	1	10	50	± 20	± 50	0.000325	0.9363	4000 ppm
	0 to 5 % vol (Safety)	1.5	10	100	± 20	± 500	0.5411	0.6716	4%
Other	0 to 20 % vol (Combustion)	2.5	10	2000	± 20	± 2500	1.0459	0.2932	16%
	0 to 100 % vol (Process Control)	tbc	10	tbc	± 20	tbc	tbc	tbc	100%



At the end of the product's life, do not dispose of any electronic sensor, component or instrument in the domestic waste, but contact the instrument manufacturer, Alphasense or its distributor for disposal instructions.

NOTE: all sensors are tested at ambient environmental conditions, with 47 ohm load resistor, unless otherwise stated. As applications of use are outside our control, the information provided is given without legal responsibility. Customers should test under their own conditions, to ensure that the sensors are suitable for their own requirements.

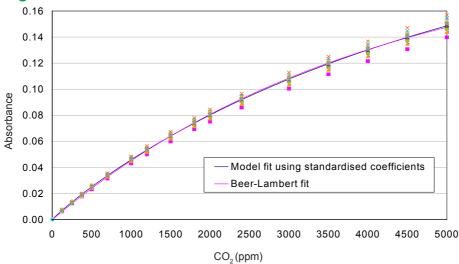


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IRC-AT Performance Data

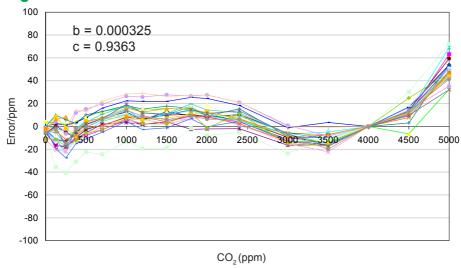
Figure 2 Beer Lambert Performance



Typical response from 0 to 5000ppm CO_2 .

The fit is very close to the theoretical curve, predicted by the Beer-Lambert Law.

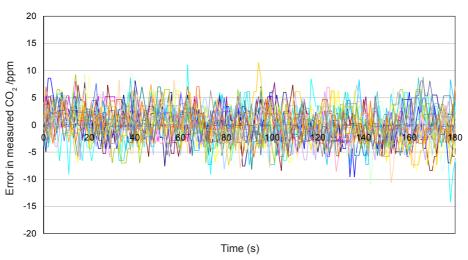
Figure 3 Linearisation



Custom linearisation is not necessary with the IRC-AT. Using universal linearisation constants, repeatability between cells is very good, allowing easy implementation.

For an IAQ application, a zero and then single calibration at 4000ppm CO_2 gives the error shown above: typically less than \pm 40ppm from 0 to 4500ppm.

Figure 4 Resolution



Excellent resolution and noise at $1000 \mathrm{ppm} \ \mathrm{CO_2}$ for the IRC-AT is achieved by better design, not by using more expensive components.

For further information on the performance of this sensor, on other sensors in the range or any other subject, please contact Alphasense Ltd. For Application Notes visit "www.alphasense.com".

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