

Technical data sheet TDS0131

PREMIER PLATINUM INFRARED

DUAL RANGE NITROUS OXIDE SENSOR Exd Certified versions



FEATURES

- ★ High resolution infrared sensor measures nitrous oxide from 0 to 1% volume with a resolution of 0.01 % volume, or 0 to 1000ppm with a resolution of 20ppm.
- ★ Combines all the features of the well-proven range of Premier sensors, enabling the accurate measurement of 0-1% vol. or 0-1000ppm nitrous oxide with one sensor.
- **★** Contains all the necessary optics, electronics and firmware to provide a linearised, temperature-compensated output.
- ★ Choice of output format digital output (floating point and binary), direct pellistor replacement or industry standard 0.4 to 2 volts.
- **★** Manual calibration option can be performed without digital commands.
- **★** User configurable using USB powered Premier Configuration Unit.
- **★** Analogue output is scaleable in % volume or % FSD.
- ★ Internal Flash memory allowing sensor firmware updates via configuration equipment.
- **★** Enhanced EMC protection.

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DESCRIPTION

Dynament infrared sensors operate by using the NDIR principle to monitor the presence of the target gas. The sensor contains a long life tungsten filament infrared light source, an optical cavity into which gas diffuses, a dual temperature compensated pyroelectric infrared detector, an integral semiconductor temperature sensor and electronics to process the signals from the pyroelectric detector.

Two versions are available:-

3 Pin Version - Pellistor Replacement Infrared

These sensors provide a pellistor style linearised, temperature-compensated output as shown in Graph 1.

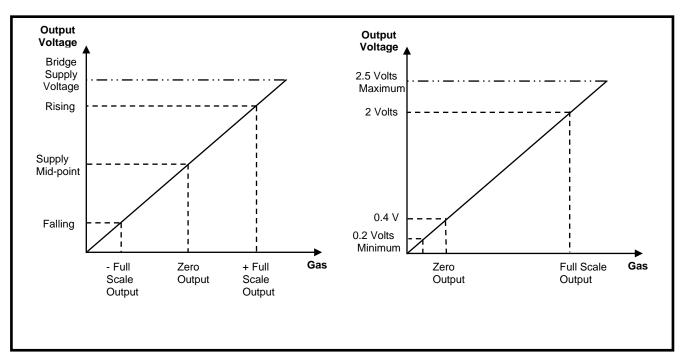
They can either be supplied pre-set to customer specification or may be configured by the user by means of a configuration unit available from Dynament Ltd. The output signal can be set to rise or fall with increase in the gas level.

5 Pin Version - Multi-Purpose Range

This version of the sensor provides maximum user flexibility by providing the following output options:-

- ★ Industry Standard 0.4 to 2 volt linearised, temperature-compensated output as shown in Graph 2, or alternative voltages for zero and full-scale outputs.
- ★ Digital output for direct communications with instrument electronics.
- ★ Rising or falling output with increasing gas level for the pellistor replacement, bridge output as shown in graph 1.

The digital output is a UART format comprising 8 data bits, 1 stop bit and no parity. Refer to specification for available baud rates. Contact Dynament Ltd for protocol details.



Graph 1
Pellistor Replacement Output Characteristic

Graph 2 0.4 – 2 Volt Output Characteristic

Patent Protection

The sensor design is protected by the following Patents

Great Britain GB 2 401 432 & GB 2 403 291

Europe EP 1544603 & EP 1818667-Pending

France EP [FR] 1544603

Germany EP [DE] 1544603

Italy EP [I] I1544603

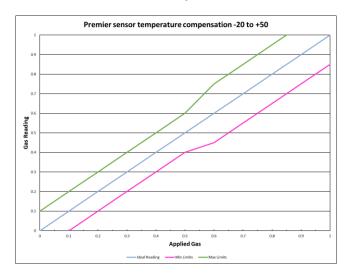
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Other World Patents Pending

Nitrous Oxide Temperature Compensation

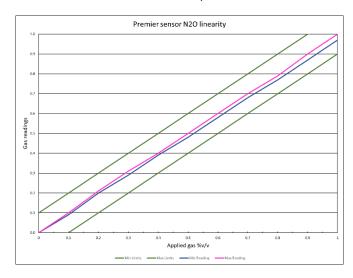
The Premier sensor is temperature compensated over the range of -20°C to +50°C. The output variation is \pm 0.1% v/v or \pm 10% of the reading up to 50% full scale and \pm 15% of the reading from 50% to 100% full scale, whichever is greater. This data is for 0-1% volume N2O.



Nitrous Oxide Linearity

The Premier sensor linearity at ambient temperature is \pm 2% full scale or \pm 10% of the reading whichever is greater.

The following graph is based on the 0-1% v/v sensor, data for 24 sensors.



Calibration options

Dynament recommends a maximum interval of 12 months between calibration checks. A small amount of zero drift can be accommodated by re-zeroing the gas detector against the sensor. The degree of drift that is acceptable should be determined by the user. Note that the subsequent change in gas reading will be greater than the change in zero reading. If the sensor requires either a "Zero" or "Span" adjustment, there are three methods that can be used:

- By using the "Premier Configuration Unit"
 When used in conjunction with dedicated PC software, this device uses the data communication pins on the sensor to provide a means of calibration.
 Refer to data sheet TDS0130 "Platinum_IR_Sensor_Configuration" and TDS0129 "Platinum Sensor User Manual" for additional information.
- 2. By using the data communications pins and software written in accordance with the communications protocol supplied by Dynament. "TDS0045".
- 3. By using the "Manual Calibration" feature.

 "Zero" and "Span" operations can be performed by momentarily connecting the data communication pins to the negative supply pin. Refer to data sheet TDS0064 for full instructions. The "Manual Calibration" option must be specified when the sensors are ordered.

In all cases ensure that the sensor has been powered long enough for the temperature to have stabilised before starting the calibration. This time will vary in accordance with the way in which the sensor is mounted.

Note: a zero calibration must always be carried out before a span calibration.

Sensor warm-up time

Analogue output behaviour:

When power is first applied to the sensor, the voltage at the output pin is held at a pre-determined level. The default setting for this start-up value is the "zero gas" value for bridge output sensors and 0.2V for voltage output sensors. This condition is maintained for a default "warm-up" time of 45 seconds, after this time the output voltage represents the calculated gas value. Sensors can take up to 1 minute to indicate the correct gas reading.

Digital output behaviour:

When power is first applied to the sensor, the digital output is held at -250% of the full scale for the duration of the "warm-up" time.

Note: Both the voltage at the output pin during the "warm-up" time, and the duration of the "warm-up" time can be pre-programmed to alternative values at the time of ordering sensors.

Temperature transients and gas flow rates.

The Premier sensor employs a pyroelectric detector, the output from which can be disrupted by sudden changes in temperature. If there is an excessive change in the ambient temperature, gas sample temperature or flow rate, then the output signal will be momentarily frozen. Correct operation is restored when the effects of the transient have settled. Rates of change in the ambient temperature should be restricted to 5°C/minute and gas flow rates kept below 600 cc/minute.

Power supply considerations

The sensor power supply rise time must be less than 50 mS to ensure correct operation. Operation outside the range of 3-5 V dc will result in either fault indication, or the sensor will not function correctly.

Sensor over-range condition

The sensor will continue to provide an output up to a pre-determined percentage of the full scale value; at this point the reading is clamped, regardless of any further increase in detected gas level. The over-range value should be specified when ordering; choose from the following values 100%, 125%, 150% and 200% The linearity of the output is only guaranteed up to the full scale for the sensor; the over-range condition for the host instrument should therefore be determined by the user.

Sensor fault indication

The sensor constantly performs checks on the internal memory contents, the incoming supply voltage and the analogue signal values. These checks are used to ensure that the sensor is operating within its correct parameters, and that no internal faults have developed.

If a fault condition is detected:

- the output will be set to 0V.
- 2) The output value that is read when using the communications pins, instead of the voltage output pin, will be set to -250% full-scale.

As mentioned in the "Sensor warm-up time" section above, the voltage at the output pin during the warm-up time can be specified when ordering sensors.

Digital interface

The digital communication pins "RX" and "TX" operate at a 2.8V logic level. When interfacing to external circuitry that uses a higher voltage level it is necessary to limit the current that can flow. The external voltage level should be 5V maximum and a 3K3 resistor should be used in series with each communication pin.

The Rx and Tx voltage limits are as follows:

RX - VIH: Input 'High' minimum voltage - 0.8 VDD = 2.24V RX - VIL: Input 'Low' maximum voltage - 0.2 VDD = 0.56V

TX - VOH: Output 'High' minimum voltage - VDD - 0.7 = 2.1

TX - VOL: Output 'Low' maximum voltage - 0.6V

Contact Dynament Ltd for details of the required protocol.

SPECIFICATION @ 20°C (68°F) ambient temperature			
Operating Voltage Range:	3.0 – 5.0 V d.c.		
Operating Current:	Constant current operation, current range 75 – 85mA		
Programmable Output Voltage Ranges:	Voltage Output Types – 0.1V to 2.7V d.c. Bridge Output Types – 0V to Bridge Supply Voltage		
Volume measuring ranges:	0-1% volume N ₂ O		
Parts per million measuring ranges:	0-1000ppm N ₂ O (±100ppm zero suppression)		
Carbon dioxide cross sensitivity:	1000ppm CO ₂ = <100ppm N ₂ O		
Resolution:	0.01% for volume readings. 20ppm for parts per million readings. Output voltage resolution 42.7 μV.		
Accuracy: At 20°C, 1 bar atmospheric pressure, calibration gas applied			
Pressure	Accuracy limits are maintained at pressures within $\pm5\%$ of the calibration pressure.		
Linearity:			
Warm up time:	To final zero ± 2% full-scale: approximately 10 minutes, some sensors may take longer.		
Response Time T ₅₀ :	<15s		
Response Time T ₉₀ :	<30s		
Zero Repeatability:	± 2% of full scale		
Span Repeatability:	\pm 2% of full scale		
Long term zero drift:	± 1% of full scale/month or ±100ppm whichever is greater		
Operating temperature range:	-20°C to +50°C (-4°F to 122°F)		
Temperature performance over the range -20°C to +50°C (-4°F to 122°F):	\pm 10% of reading up to 50% full scale and \pm 15% of reading from 50% to 100% full scale		
Storage temperature range:	-20°C to +50°C (-4°F to 122°F)		
Humidity range:	0 to 95% RH non-condensing.		
Digital signal format:	8 data bits, 1 stop bit, no parity. 2.8V logic level		
Standard baud rates:	38,400, 19,200, 9600, 4800		
User configurable parameters and functions:	Zero output voltage Full-scale output voltage Positive or negative going output Sensor 'zero' function Sensor 'span' function Over-range value		
MTBF:	> 5 years		
Weight: 15 grams			

Recommended Configuration for 0-1000ppm N2O range:

Zero suppression = ±100ppm
 Resolution = 20ppm
 Calibration Gas Level = 1000ppm
 User alarm minimum = 300ppm

Sensors which are not configured with these recommendations cannot be held to the specifications stated in this datasheet.

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	CERTIFICATION DETAILS	3
European ATEX Certification	Sensor types MSH-P, MSH-PS	Sensor types MSHia-P, MSHia-PS
Approval body	SIRA	
Certificate Number	SIRA 04ATEX1357U (Ex & EN50271 / SIL1)	
Test Standards	EN60079-0:2012+A11:2013, EN60079-1:2014, EN60079-11:2012, EN60079-26:2015 EN 50271:2010	
Certification Codes	I M2 Ex db I Mb II 2 G Ex db IIC Gb	I M2 Ex db I Mb II 2 G Ex db IIC Gb
Input parameters	0.8W max, 30V max. (See footnote)	0.8W max, 30V max. (See footnote)
Operating temperature	-20°C to +60°C (See footnote)	
International IECEx Certification	Sensor types MSH-P, MSH-PS	Sensor types MSH-P, MSH-PS
Approval body	SIRA	
Certificate Number	IECEx SIR 05.0053U	
Test Standards	IEC 60079-0:2011 IEC60079-1:2014 IEC 60079-11:2011 EN 60079-26:2014	
Certification Codes	Ex db I and/or Ex db IIC	Ex db I and/or Ex db IIC
Input parameters	0.8W max, 30V max.	0.8W max, 30V max.
Operating temperature	-20°C to +60°C (See footnote)	
North American Certification	Sensor type MSH-P	Sensor type MSHia-P
Approval body	Underwriters Laboratory Inc.	Underwriters Laboratory Inc.
File Reference	E336365	E336365
Test Standards	UL 60079 - 0, 4 th Edition UL 60079 - 1, 6 th Edition CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 60079-0-1-7 CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 60079-1 part 1, 1 st Edition	UL913 7 th , Edition UL 60079 – 0, 4 th , Edition UL 60079 – 11, 2 nd , Edition CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 157-92
Hazardous Locations	Class 1, Zone 1, AEx d IIC and Ex d IIC Hazardous Locations	Class I, II, III, Division 1 Class 1, Zone 0, AEx ia IIC, T4 wit 60°C ambient
Input/Entity parameters	0.8W max, 30V max.	Ui=6V dc, Pi=0.8W, Ci=4.105μF Li=0 mH

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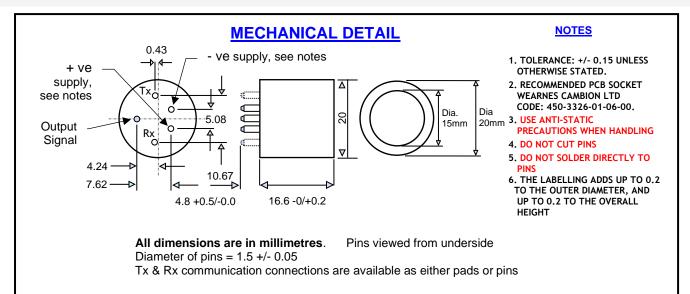
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sensor operating voltage and temperature range.

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NOTE – The above pin configuration is shown for the POSITIVE version of the sensor. The NEGATIVE version has the +ve and -ve supply pin positions exchanged. See ordering details.

Warranty information

All Dynament Platinum sensors carry a five-year warranty against defects in materials and workmanship. The warranty is invalidated if the sensors are used under conditions other than those specified in this data sheet.

Particular attention should be paid to the following criteria:

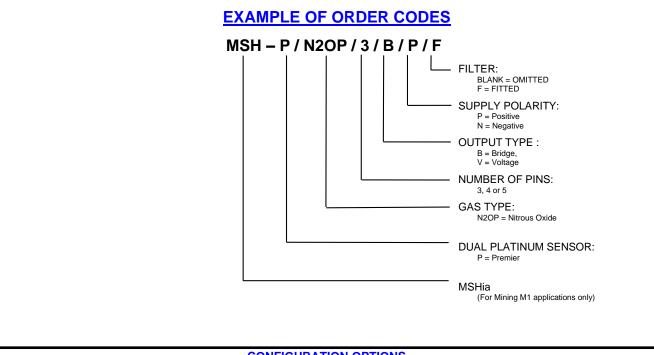
- Observe the correct supply polarity
- Do not exceed the maximum rated supply voltage of 5V
- . Do not solder directly to the sensor pins
- Do not expose the sensor to corrosive gases such as hydrogen sulphide
- Do not allow condensation to take place within the sensor

Dynament reserve the right to alter technical specifications, without prior notice, when it is appropriate to implement a technical enhancement that leads to improved performance. Should any changes be required that could affect the customer's use of the product, Dynament will endeavour to contact customers directly to inform them of the changes.

Ordering Details

In order to completely specify the type of sensor that is required, the customer needs to provide the following information (more information available on TDS0052 Platinum Sensor Ordering Codes): -

- An Order Code (see below) that specifies the sensors' basic physical and electrical characteristics.
- The sensor configuration requirements, including the required gas measurement ranges.



CONFIGURATION OPTIONS

(To be stated on customer order in addition to the Order Code)

- 1. Output voltage for zero.
- 2. Output voltage for span.
- Rising or falling output voltage with increasing gas level (for "Bridge" outputs) 3.
- Sensitivity e.g. 100 mV = 1 % volume N_2O for "Bridge" outputs, 0.4 2.4V = 1% volume N_2O for "Voltage" output
- 5. Communication speed – 38,400 baud (default), specify alternative rate if required.
- Over-range value: 100%, 125%, 150% and 200% of full-scale value.

Pellistor Replacement - Explanation of Positive & Negative Polarity



Typical Pellistor Pinout



Premier Negative Polarity Option

Use where the DET pin of the existing pellistor is connected to the Negative of the pellistor bridge supply.



Premier Positive Polarity Option

Use where DET pin of the existing pellistor is connected to the Positive of the pellistor bridge supply.

Note – On the 3 pin version of the sensor, the RX and TX connections are pads, not pins.