

# **FEATURES**

- Ranges 0...200 slpm¹
- · Actual mass flow sensing
- 1...5 V output
- · Sensortechnics PRO services



To be used with dry gases only

The FHA series is NOT designed for liquid flow and will be damaged by liquid flow through the sensor



# **SPECIFICATIONS**

# **Maximum ratings**

Supply voltage<sup>2</sup> 8 to 15 V

typ. 10 ±0.01 V

Power consumption 60 mW

Output load

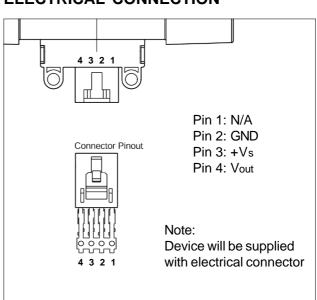
NPN (Sinking) 10 mA PNP (Sourcing) 20 mA

Temperature limits

Operating -25 to 85°C Storage -40 to 90°C

Mechanical shock 100 g (3 drops, 3 axes)

# **ELECTRICAL CONNECTION**



# Note:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Output voltage is ratiometric to supply voltage

# FHA Series Mass flow sensors for gases

# FLOW SENSOR CHARACTERISTICS3

 $(V_s = 10 \pm 0.01 \text{ V}, T_{\Delta} = 25^{\circ}\text{C})$ 

Part no.	Flow range (full scale)	Output voltage @ trim point
FHAL200DU	200 SLPM¹	5.0 ±0.36 V @ 200 SLPM <sup>1</sup>

# PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

 $(V_s = 10 \pm 0.01 \text{ V}, T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C})$ 

Characteristics		Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	
Zero offset			0.95	1.0	1.05	V
Repeatability and hysteresis (combined)					±0.5	0/ rooding
Ratiometricity error <sup>2</sup>				±0.30		% reading
Temperature effects	Offset <sup>4</sup>	-20 to 85 °C		±0.25		V
	Span	25 to 10 °C		-2.0		0/ 100 dina
		25 to 40 °C		2.0		% reading
Response time				6.0		ms
Common mode pressure					25	psi

#### Notes:

### **NOTICE: LAMINAR FLOW**

Due to the fast response time of the sensor, these specifications were generated using laminar flow. Airflow instability or "turbulence" present in the airstream will result in an increase in measurement uncertainty.

The turbulent flow problem can be corrected by either straightening the airflow using flow laminarizing or by slowing the response of the sensor using a simple RC time constant on the output of the sensor. This, of course, slows down the sensor response time. The values needed depend on the amount of turbulence present in the application.

Several techniques for laminarizing the flow include adding hex shaped honeycombs, foam, screen materials or adding constrictors (frits) to the flow stream. There are various commercial laminar flow elements that can be purchased. Unfortunately the greater the efficiency of the laminarizer, the greater the increase in pressure drop in order to establish a given flow rate. Plastic honeycomb material probably gives the most improvement for the least pressure drop. In any test fixture, the avoidance of sharp radii is an absolute requirement.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A 5 micron filter is recommended for all devices.

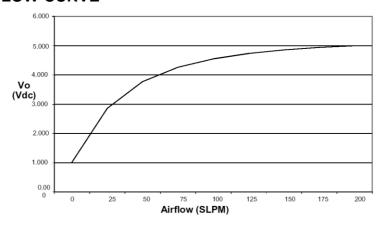
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Shift is relative to 25 °C.



# **FLOW SPECIFICATIONS** ( $V_s = 10 \pm 0.01 \text{ V}$ , $T_A = 25 \text{°C}$ )

Flow	Nom.	±Tol.	Press. drop	
(slpm)	(V <sub>DC</sub> )	(V <sub>DC</sub> )	(inch H <sub>2</sub> O)	(mbar)
0	1.00	0.05	0	0
25	2.99	-	0.04	0.10
50	3.82	0.18	0.13	0.33
75	4.30	-	0.21	0.53
100	4.58	-	0.34	0.85
150	4.86	-	0.65	1.64
200	5.00	0.36	1.09	2.74

# **OUTPUT VS. FLOW CURVE**



# GAS CORRECTION FACTORS<sup>5</sup>

Gas type	Correction factor (approx.)
Helium (He)	0.56
Hydrogen (H <sub>2</sub> )	$0.7^{6}$
Argon (Ar)	0.95
Nitrogen (N <sub>2</sub> )	1.0
Oxygen (O <sub>2</sub> )	1.0
Air	1.0
Nitric oxide (NO)	1.0
Carbon monoxide (CO)	1.0
Methane (CH <sub>4</sub> )	1.1
Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	1.1
Nitrous oxide (N <sub>2</sub> O)	1.35
Nitrogen dioxide (NO <sub>2</sub> )	1.35
Carbon dioxide (CO <sub>2</sub> )	1.35

#### Notes

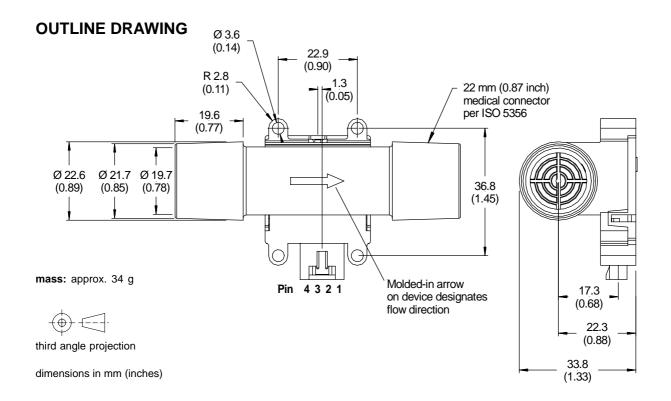
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Gas correction factors are referenced to nitrogen (N<sub>2</sub>) as calibration gas type. Approximate gas correction factors are provided as guidelines only. Individual gas types may perform differently at temperature extremes and varying flow rates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> When sensing Hydrogen (H<sub>2</sub>) or Helium (He) it may be necessary to power the mass flow sensor using increased supply voltage: Hydrogen typ. 12 V, Helium typ. 15 V





# **ORDERING INFORMATION - AVAILABLE LISTINGS**

Note:	Preferred listings are highlighted in grey

Flow range	Dry gas
200 SLPM	FHAL200DU

Note: Device will be supplied with 4 pin receptacle connector (see Electrical Connection info)

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