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Digital relative humidity & temperature sensor RHT01

1. Feature & Application:

*High precision

*Capacitive type

*Full range temperature compensated

*Relative humidity and temperature measurement

*Calibrated digital signal

*Outstanding long-term stability

*Extra components not needed

*Long transmission distance, up to 100 meters

*Low power consumption

*4 pins packaged and fully interchangeable

2. Description:

RHT01 output calibrated digital signal. It applys exclusive digital-signal-collecting-technique and humidity sensing technology, assuring its reliability and stability. Its sensing elements is connected with 8-bit single-chip computer.

Every sensor of this model is temperature compensated and calibrated in accurate calibration chamber and the calibration-coefficient is saved in type of programme in OTP memory, when the sensor is detecting, it will cite coefficient from memory.

Small size & low consumption & long transmission distance(100m) enable RHT01 to be suited in all kinds of harsh application occasions. Single-row packaged with four pins, making the connection very convenient.

3. Technical Specification:

Model	RHT01	
Power supply	3.3-6V DC	
Output signal	digital signal via MaxDetect 1-wire bus	
Sensing element	Polymer humidity resistor	
Operating range	humidity 20-90%RH;	temperature 0~50Celsius
Accuracy	**humidity +-5%RH**;	temperature +-2Celsius
Resolution or sensitivity	humidity 1%RH;	temperature 1Celsius
Repeatability	humidity +-2%RH;	temperature +-1Celsius
Humidity hysteresis	+-1%RH	
Long-term Stability	+-1%RH/year	
Interchangeability	fully interchangeable	

4. Dimensions: (unit----mm)
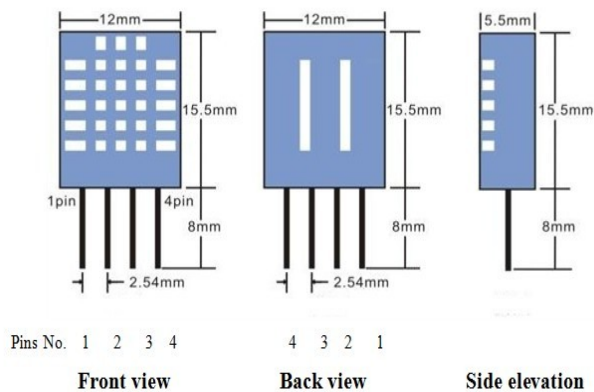
5. Electrical connection diagram:
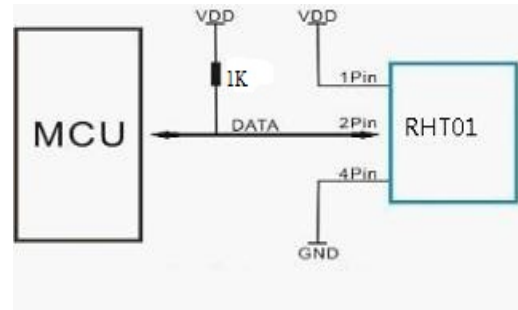
6. Operating specifications:

(1) Power and Pins

Power's voltage should be 3.3-6V DC. When power is supplied to sensor, don't send any instruction to the sensor within one second to pass unstable status. One capacitor valued 100nF can be added between VDD and GND for wave filtering.

(2) Communication and signal

MaxDetect 1-wire bus is used for communication between MCU and RHT01. (MaxDetect 1-wire bus is specially designed by MaxDetect Technology Co., Ltd. , it's different from Maxim/Dallas 1-wire bus, so it's incompatible with Dallas 1-wire bus.)

Illustration of MaxDetect 1-wire bus:

DATA=16 bits RH data+16 bits Temperature data+8 bits check-sum

Example: MCU has received 40 bits data from RHT01 as

0010 0001 0000 0000   0001 1010 0000 0000   0011 1011

16 bits RH data   16 bits T data   check sum

Here we convert 16 bits RH data from binary system to decimal system,

0010 0001 0000 0000   →   33

Binary system   Decimal system

RH=33.0%RH

Here we convert 16 bits T data from binary system to decimal system,

0001 1010 0000 0000   →   26

Binary system   Decimal system

T=26.0℃

When highest bit of temperature is 1, it means the temperature is below 0 degree Celsius.

Example: **1**000 1010 0000 0000, T= minus 10℃

16 bits T data

Sum=0010 0001+0000 0000+0001 1010+0000 0000=0011 1011

Check-sum=the last 8 bits of Sum=0011 1011

When MCU send start signal, RHT01 change from standby-status to running-status.

When MCU finishs sending the start signal, RHT01 will send response signal of 40-bit data that reflect the relative humidity and temperature to MCU.

Without start signal from MCU, RHT01 will not give response signal to MCU.

One start signal for one response data from RHT01 that reflect the relative humidity and temperature.

RHT01 will change to standby status when data collecting finished if it don't receive start signal from MCU again.

See below figure for overall communication process, **the interval of whole process must beyond 2 seconds.**

MaxDetect 1-wire bus illustration

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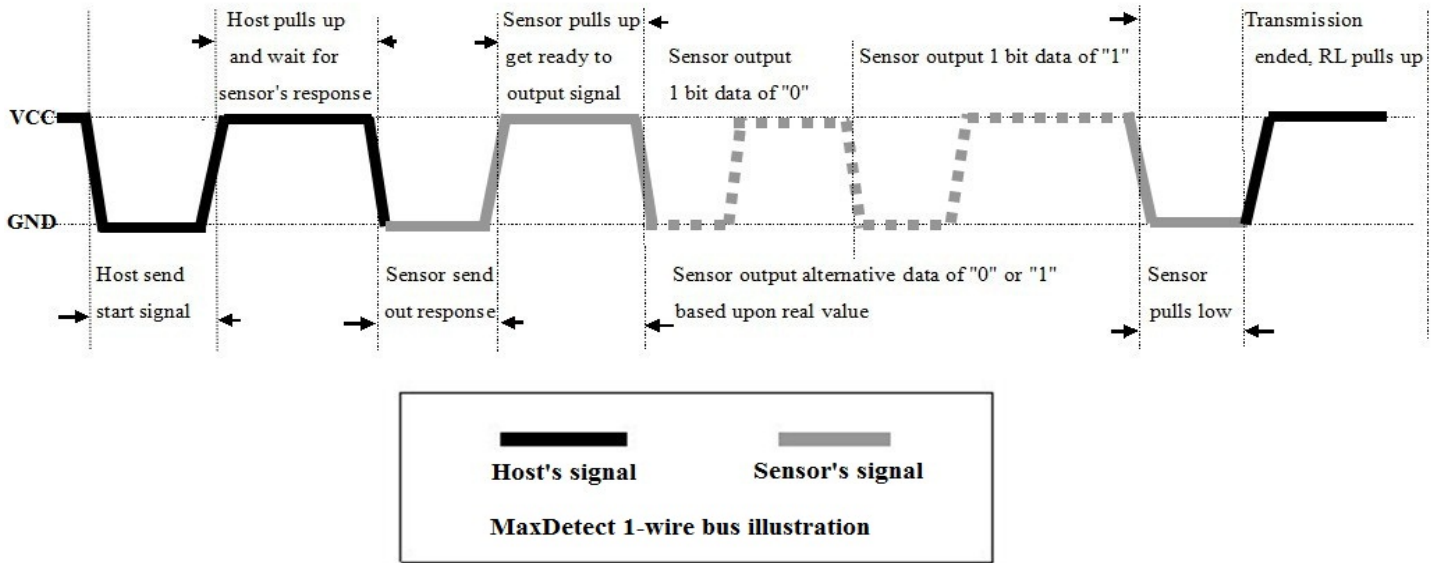
1) Step 1: MCU send out start signal to RHT01 and RHT01 send response signal to MCU

   Data-bus's free status is high voltage level. When communication between MCU and RHT01 begins, MCU will pull low data-bus and this process must beyond at least 1~10ms to ensure RHT01 could detect MCU's signal, then MCU will pulls up and wait 20-40us for RHT01's response.

   When RHT01 detect the start signal, RHT01 will pull low the bus 80us as response signal, then RHT01 pulls up 80us for preparation to send data. See below figure:

MaxDetect 1-wire bus illustration

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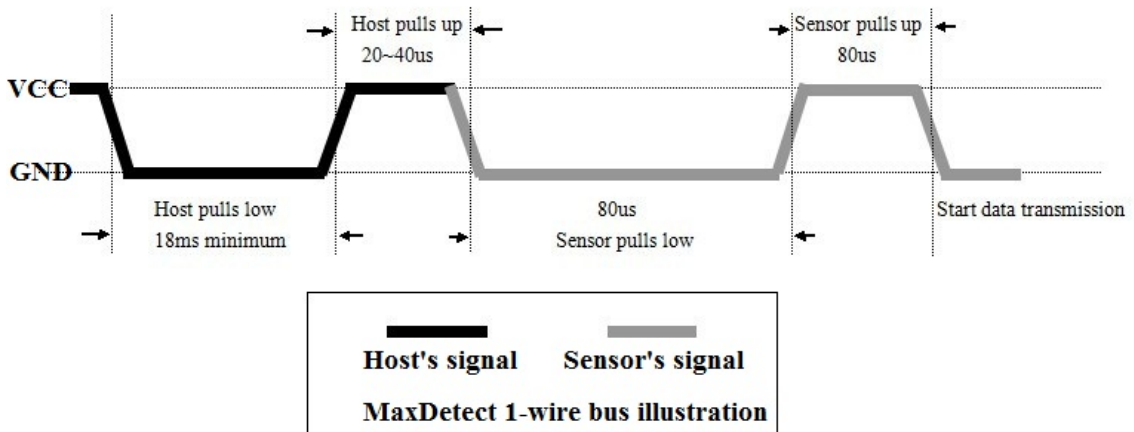
2). Step 2: RHT01 send data to MCU

When RHT01 is sending data to MCU, every bit's transmission begin with low-voltage-level that last 50us, the following high-voltage-level signal's length decide the bit is "1" or "0". See below figures:
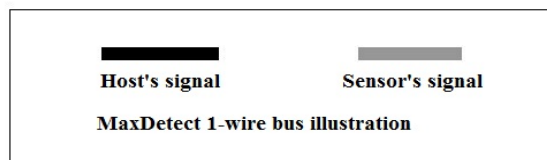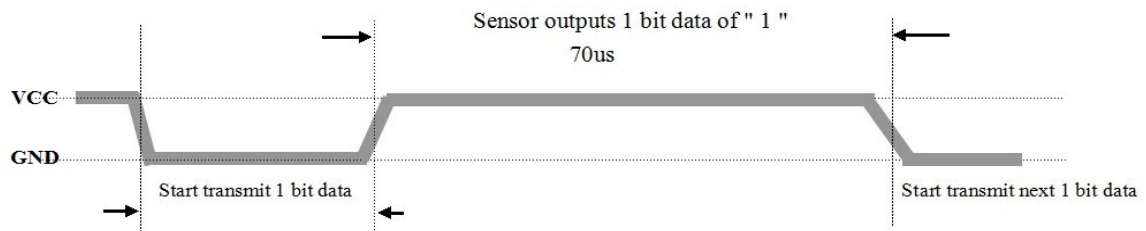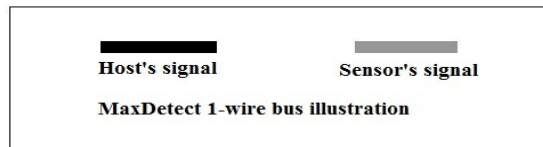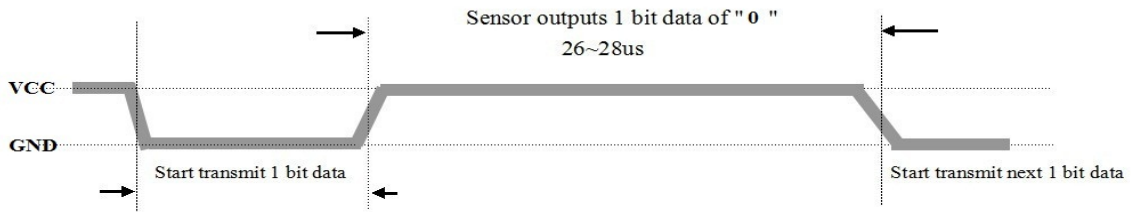
Attention:

If signal from RHT01 is always high-voltage-level, it means RHT01 is not working properly, please check the electrical connection status.

7. Electrical Characteristics:

Items	Condition	Min	Typical	Max	Unit
Power supply	DC	3.3	5	6	V
Current supply	Measuring	1		1.5	mA
	Stand-by	40	Null	50	uA
Collecting period	Second		2		Second

8. Attentions of application:

(1) Operating and storage conditions

We don't recommend the applying RH-range beyond the range stated in this specification. The RHT01 sensor can recover after working in abnormal operating condition to calibrated status, but will accelerate sensors' aging.

(2) Attentions to chemical materials

Vapor from chemical materials may interfere RHT01's sensitive-elements and debase RHT01's sensitivity.

(3) Disposal when (1) & (2) happens

Step one: Keep the RHT01 sensor at condition of Temperature 50~60Celsius, humidity <10%RH for 2 hours;

Step two: After step one, keep the RHT01 sensor at condition of Temperature 20~30Celsius, humidity >70%RH for 5 hours.

(4) Attention to temperature's affection

Relative humidity strongly depend on temperature, that is why we use temperature compensation technology to ensure accurate measurement of RH. But it's still be much better to keep the sensor at same temperature when sensing.

RHT01 should be mounted at the place as far as possible from parts that may cause change to temperature.

(5) Attentions to light

Long time exposure to strong light and ultraviolet may debase RHT01's performance.

(6) Attentions to connection wires

The connection wires' quality will effect communication's quality and distance, high quality shielding-wire is recommended.

(7) Other attentions

* Welding temperature should be bellow 260Celsius.

* Avoid using the sensor under dew condition.

* Don't use this product in safety or emergency stop devices or any other occasion that failure of RHT01 may cause personal injury.