Flame Sensors QFC Pyroelectric Infrared Flame Sensors, Analog



Overview

KEMET's QFC pyroelectric flame sensors provide accurate discrimination of flame sources in triple IR flame detection systems, through their excellent signal to noise characteristic at the signature 8 – 10 Hz flicker range of a flame. The sensor element is built into a low noise circuit that has an internal CMOS op amp with a 10 G Ω feedback resistor outputting a voltage signal centred around half the supply rail. Exceptionally high responsivity, a wide field of view and rapid recovery from thermal and electrical shocks makes it the ideal solution for demanding flame detection applications.

Applications

- Industrial
- Oil and gas
- Infrastructure protection
- Forest protection

Benefits

- Exceptionally high responsivity
- Wide field of view, typically 100° (subject to filter band pass specification)
- Rapid recovery from thermal and electrical shock (< 1 second downtime)
- TO39 package
- Analog output
- Integrated operational amplifier
- · Evaluation kit for analog TO infrared flame sensing evaluation

Ordering Information

| USE | QFC | S | Α | 3381 | 0 | 0 |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|-----------|---------|
| Product Family | Series | Sensor Type | Mounting Type | Specification | Packaging | Version |
| Sensors | QFC = TO39 IR Flame Sensors | S = Single, analog K = Evaluation kit | A = Sensor only 4 = Evaluation kit type 4 | 0000 = Fixed 3381 = 3.38 µm bandpass 3911 = 3.91 µm bandpass 4351 = 4.35 µm bandpass 4481 = 4.48 µm bandpass 4551 = 4.55 µm bandpass 5001 = 5.00 µm cut on 5501 = 5.50 µm cut on | 0 = Bulk | 0 |





Environmental Compliance

All KEMET Flame Sensors are RoHS and REACH Compliant.



Article 33(1) of the REACH Regulation states that manufacturers and importers of articles (products) are required to notify their customers of the presence of any Substances of Very High Concern (SVHC) in their products exceeding 0.1% by weight and provide instructions on safe use of the product.

KEMET Corporation reports regarding the Article 33(1) of REACH Regulation as follows:

1. Applicable Product: Flame Sensors (QFC, QFCE, QFS & QFSM series)

2. Report for the content of REACH SVHC list:

The product(s) above contains a substance by more than 0.1wt% per product weight that was published in the 8th update of the REACH SVHC substances (December 19, 2012).

3. Regarding the safety of the flame sensors (Piezoceramic products):

The Piezoceramic that is used in this product becomes ceramic by sintering powder containing PZT as the main ingredient. It is chemically stable, with minimum risks toward the human body or environment within the intended use of the product. Please note that risks could occur in the case of inhalation or accidental oral uptake of powder ceramics.

4. Technical product information on the flame sensors (Piezoceramic products):

The manufacturing technique of the "piezoceramic products" whose main ingredient is Lead Titanium Zirconium Oxide (PZT) has been established, and there is no alternative material that can exhibit superior performance than PZT at this moment. Please note that the piezoceramic is listed as an exempt on RoHS (2011/65/EU) AnnexIII (7c.1).

5. The responsibility of piezoceramic manufacturers:

Piezoceramic manufacturers report information regarding PZT containment in their products to the customers to obey the article 33 of the REACH regulation



Dimensions – Millimeters





Field of View









Part Number Specifications

Sensor Characteristics

| Filter Aperture (mm) | Element Size (mm ²) | Package | Responsivity ¹ (V/W) | D*¹ (cm√Hz/W) | Noise¹ (µV√Hz) | Field of View ² |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| 5.2 x 4.2 | 1 x 1 | T039 | 150,000 | 3.5 x 10 ⁸ | Mean 70 | Typical 100° |

 $^{\scriptscriptstyle 1}$ 10 Hz, 500 K, room temperature, without window and optics.

² With reference to filter used in USEQFCSA435100.

Electrical Characteristics

| Maximum Voltage ¹ (V) | Minimum Voltage (V) | Microphonics (µV/√Hz) at 10 Hz | Time Constant (ms) | Operating Temperature Range (°C) | Storage Temperature Range (°C) |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| 8 | 2.7 | S vib~2 | ~12 | -40 to +85 | -40 to +110 |

¹ Absolute maximum operating voltage.

Output voltage normalised around mid-rail. Op-Amp with 10 G Ω feedback resistor.

Part Number (Sensor)

| Part Number | Filter Name | Cut On Wavelength (µm) Typical | Cut Off Wavelength (µm) Typical | Weight (gr) |
|----------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| USEQFCSA338100 | 3.38 µm bandpass | 3.295 | 3.475 | 0.95 |
| USEQFCSA391100 | 3.91 µm bandpass | 3.865 | 3.955 | 0.95 |
| USEQFCSA435100 | 4.35 µm bandpass | 4.050 | 4.650 | 0.95 |
| USEQFCSA448100 | 4.48 µm bandpass | 4.170 | 4.790 | 0.95 |
| USEQFCSA455100 | 4.55 µm bandpass | 4.340 | 4.760 | 0.95 |
| USEQFCSA500100 | 5.00 µm cut on | 5.000 | - | 0.95 |
| USEQFCSA550100 | 5.50 µm cut on | 5.500 | - | 0.95 |

An additional window is required to provide high wavelength blocking (above 8.0 µm) and thermal shielding.



Evaluation Kits

- Quick prototype development
- Easy to install software

• Easy way to evaluate

• Digital output

The analog TO Infrared Flame Sensing kit is to enable the users to carry out a simple and effective evaluation of the KEMET QFC TO-39 packaged flame sensors, experiment with the sample flame detection ratio based algorithm, and to capture measured data to a PC. The kit is based on the Silicon Labs C8051F350 microcontroller with a high precision A-D converter and programmable gain amplifier. It is capable of sample rates above 100 Hz for 3 sensor channel and 75 Hz for 4 channel operation.

| Part Number | | Use | Includes | Weight |
|-------------|----------------|--|--|--------|
| 0000 | USEQFCK4000000 | Analog TO Flame Sensing Evaluation Kit | Flame detection demonstrator kit Sensor USEQFCSA391100 3.91 µm bandpass filter Sensor USEQFCSA435100 4.35 µm bandpass filter Sensor USEQFCSA500100 5.00 µm cut on filter 9 V DC power supply USB communications cable | 650 gr |

Part Schematic

Internal Schematics





Packaging

| Part Number | Packaging Type | Pieces per Tube |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| USEQFCS****** | Tube | 50 |

| Part Number | Packaging Type | Pieces per Box |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| USEQFCK4000000 | Cardboard Box | 1 |

Handling Precautions

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The performance of this device can be affected by ESD. Precautions should be used when handling and installing the sensor. Precision devices such as this sensor can be damaged or caused not to meet published specification due to ESD. Please note that there is limited ESD protection built-in as the device is optimised for low power consumption and low noise operation. Human Body Model (HBM), per JS-001: 2,000 V.

Pyroelectric Infrared Sensors should be stored in normal working environments.

Solderability will be degraded by exposure to high temperatures, high humidity, corrosive atmospheres, and long-term storage.

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Temperature fluctuations should be minimized to avoid condensation on the parts.

For optimized solderability sensors stock should be used promptly, preferably within 24 months of receipt.



Overview

KEMET's QFCE pyroelectric flame sensors combine high sensitivity with fast response times and high dynamic range to ensure rapid and accurate detection of small and large flames, nearby or over larger distances.

These high quality sensors, in their industry standard TO-39 package, integrate a digital, current mode read-out offering high responsivity over the full frequency range of flame flicker from 3 - 30 Hz. Industry standard I²C communication enables plug-and-play connectivity to microcontrollers and allows easy tuning and calibration. Programmable gain and filtering offer maximum flexibility in system design.

Their long and maintenance-free operational lifetime and various low power modes make these sensors ideal for any smart or IoT type of applications.

Applications

- Industrial
- Industrial IoT
- Oil and gas
- · Infrastructure protection
- · Forest protection
- Smart home
- Smart building
- · Outdoor fire detectors
- Transportation
- Water cannon

Benefits

- · Exceptionally high responsivity
- Wide field of view, typically 100° (subject to filter band pass specification)
- Rapid recovery from thermal and electrical shock (<1 second downtime)
- TO39 package
- Digital output and I²C communication
- Programmable gain and filtering
- · Various optical filter options
- · Integrated configurable amplifier, filter and ADC
- Low power comsumption
- Evaluation kit for digital TO infrared flame sensing evaluation





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Dimensions – Millimeters



Recommended Circuit Diagram

Single Device Block Diagram





Field of View



Note: Normalised polar plots show typical FoV along x, y axis and diagonal with 4.48 µm/620 nm filter applied, with infrared source being a blackbody radiator at 500 K temperature.

Performance Characteristics

Power Modes

| ltem | Mode | Description | Typical Current Consumption (1.8 V, Room Temperature) |
|-------------------|-------------------|---|---|
| Dower Consumption | Normal Power Mode | Normal power consumption, 1 kHz maximum sample rate | 22 µA |
| | Low Power Mode | Low power consumption, 166 Hz maximum sample rate | 3.5 µA |



Part Number Specifications

Sensor Characteristics

| Filter Aperture (mm) | Element Size (mm²) | Package | Time Constant (ms) at 10 – 20 Hz Peak | Field of View |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|---------|---|---------------|
| 5.2 x 4.2 | 1 x 1 | T039 | ~10 | ~100° |

Electrical Characteristics

| Supply Voltage (V) | Supply Current (µA) Typical | Digital I/O | ΔΣ ADC at 1 ksp | Operating Temperature Range (°C) | Storage Temperature Range (°C) | Sensor Read-out | Configurable |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|---|---|--------------------|---|
| 1.75 to 3.60 | 1 to 23 | l²C (FM+ compatible) | 15 – 23 bit | -40 to +85 | -40 to +110 | Current mode | Gain Digital filtering Sampling rate Power modes |

Part Number (Sensor)

| Part Number | Filter Name | Cut On Wavelength (µm) Typical | Cut Off Wavelength (µm) Typical | Weight (gr) |
|----------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
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Filters block up to 8 µm.

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| Part Number | | Use | Includes | Weight |
|-------------|----------------|---|---|--------|
| 2 000 0. | USEQFCK9000000 | Digital TO Flame Sensing Evaluation Kit | Flame Detection Demonstrator Kit Sensor USEQFCEA500100 5.00 µm Long Pass filter Sensor USEQFCEA391100 3.91 µm / 90 nm filter Sensor USEQFCEA448100 4.48 µm / 620 nm filter USB communications cable | 360 gr |



Packaging

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|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| USEQFCE****** | Tube | 50 |

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