

# TGS6812-D00 - for the detection of Hydrogen, Methane, and LP Gas

## Features:

- \* Linear output
- \* Long life
- \* Small sensitivity to organic vapors
- \* Sensitive to hydrogen, methane, and LP gas

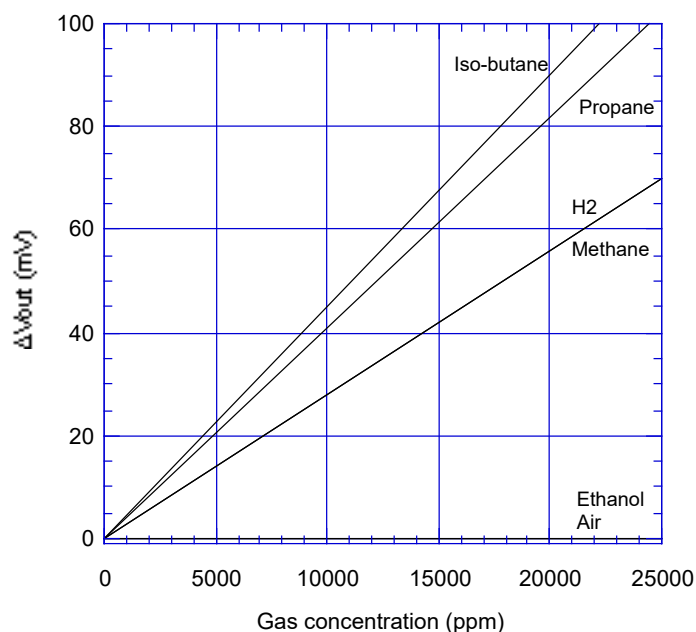
The **TGS6812-D00** catalytic type gas sensor can detect levels of hydrogen up to 100%LEL. This sensor features high accuracy, good durability and stability, quick response, and linear output. This sensor can detect not only hydrogen, but also methane and LP gas, thus making it an excellent solution for monitoring gas leakage from stationary fuel cell systems which transform combustible gases into hydrogen.

As the sensor possesses a proprietary filter material inside its sensor cap, its cross sensitivity to organic vapors is small. In addition, TGS6812-D00 is durable against silicone compounds in harsh environments.

The figure below represents typical sensitivity characteristics, all data having been gathered at standard test conditions (see reverse side of this sheet). The Y-axis indicates sensor output sensitivity --  $\Delta V_{out}$  (mV):

$$\Delta V_{out} = V_{out} \text{ in gas} - V_{out} \text{ in air}$$

## Sensitivity Characteristics:



## Applications:

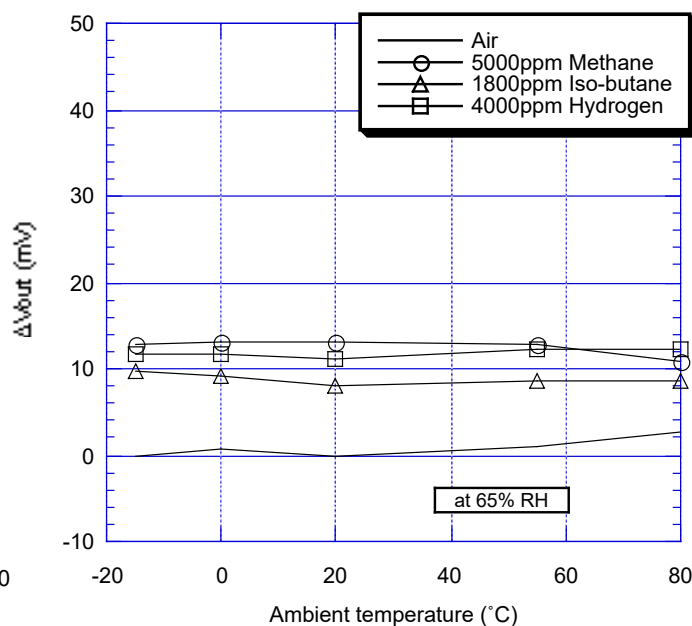
- \* Hydrogen and combustible gas leak detectors for fuel cells



The figure below represents typical temperature dependency characteristics at 65%RH. Again, Y-axis indicates sensor output sensitivity --  $\Delta V_{out}$  (mV):

$$\Delta V_{out} = V_{out} \text{ in gas} - V_{out} \text{ in air at } 20^{\circ}\text{C}$$

## Temperature Dependency:

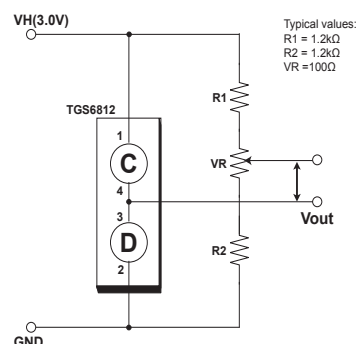


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## Basic Measuring Circuit:

The TGS6812 is comprised of two elements: 1) element (D) which is sensitive to combustible gases and 2) a reference element (C) which is not sensitive to combustible gases. These elements are installed into a "Wheatstone Bridge". A variable resistor should be adjusted so that the bridge will produce a stable baseline signal when in an environment free of combustible

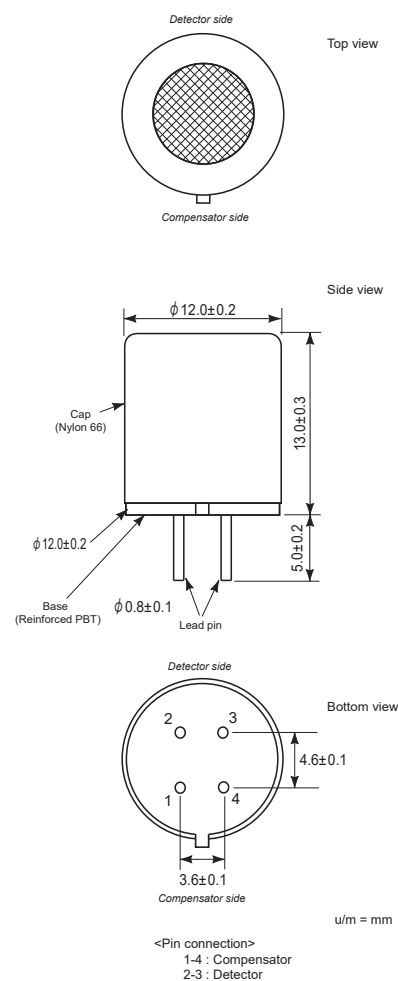
gases. When combustible gases are present, they will be combusted on the detecting element, causing its temperature to rise. Accordingly the resistance of this element will increase. This results in an "out-of-balance" signal across the bridge and a corresponding change in output voltage which can be measured.



## Specifications

Model number		TGS6812-D00	
Sensing element type		Catalytic	
Target gases		Hydrogen, methane, iso-butane	
Typical detection range		0~100%LEL of each gas	
Standard circuit conditions	Operating voltage	3.0±0.1V DC	
Electrical characteristics under standard test conditions	Heater current	175mA (typical)	
	Heater power consumption	525mW (typical)	
	Zero offset	-15 ~ +55mV	
	Output sensitivity (ΔVout)	hydrogen	8~16mV in 4000ppm
		methane	10~18mV in 5000ppm
		iso-butane	5~11mV in 1800ppm
Standard test conditions	Test gas conditions	Hydrogen/methane/iso-butane in air at 20±2°C, 65±5%RH	
	Circuit conditions	3.0±0.05V DC	
	Preheating period before test	≥2 weeks (recommendation)	
Operating conditions		-10°C~+70°C, ≤95%RH (w/o dew condensation)	
Storage conditions		-10°C~+80°C, ≤95%RH (w/o dew condensation)	

## Structure and Dimensions:



All sensor characteristics shown in this brochure represent typical characteristics. Actual characteristics vary from sensor to sensor. The only characteristics warranted are those in the Specification table above.