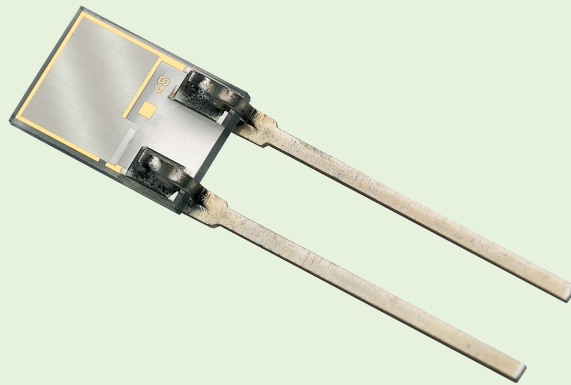




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# **+ Datasheet HC201**

**Leaded Humidity Sensor**



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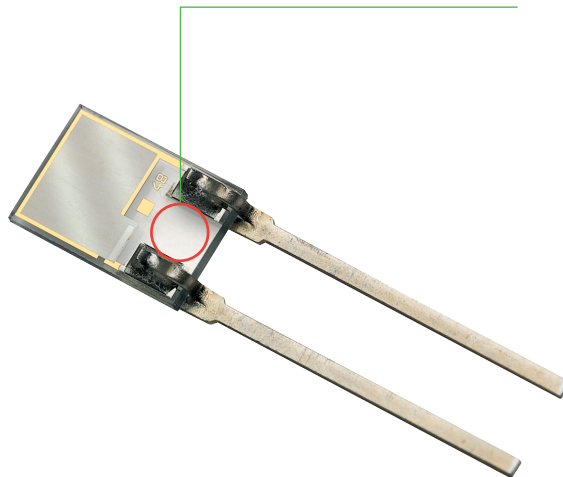
## Leaded Humidity Sensor

The HC201 is the ideal solution for low cost applications. In the measuring range of 20...90 %RH a linear approximation results in an accuracy of better than  $\pm 2$  %RH.

By providing two different packages, the implementation is suitable for PCBs as well as for e.g. sensing probes. In addition, due to the leaded design, the sensor can be mounted with an offset to avoid being affected by other heat sources or affecting other components in immediate vicinity. Furthermore, the sensor allows wettable conditions without causing incorrect measurements

## Features

- High repeatability
- High sensitivity
- Wettable
- Very good long term stability
- Good resistance to pollutants
- Small size construction

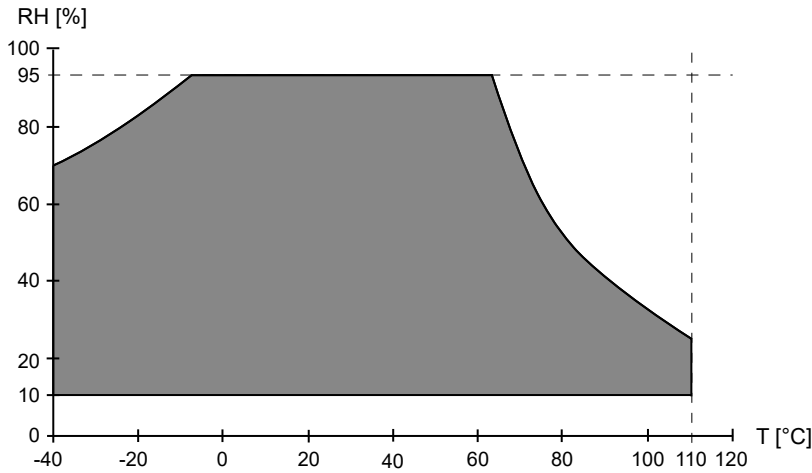


## Typical Applications

- HVAC
- Handhelds
- Humidifiers
- Dehumidifiers

# Working Range

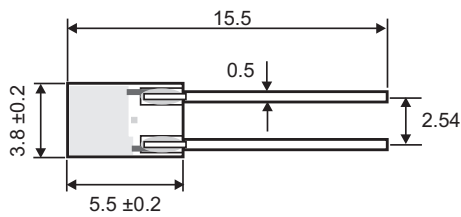
The working range for the humidity sensor HC201 is shown with regard to the humidity / temperature limits. Although the sensors would not fail beyond the limits, the specification is guaranteed only within the working range. In applications with high humidity at high temperature the time factor shall be considered.



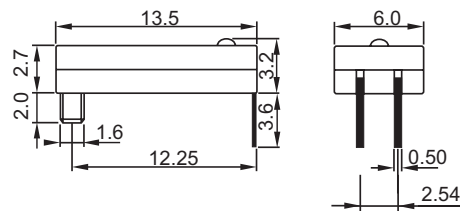
# Dimensions

Values in mm  
 1 mm = 0.03937" / 1" = 25.4 mm

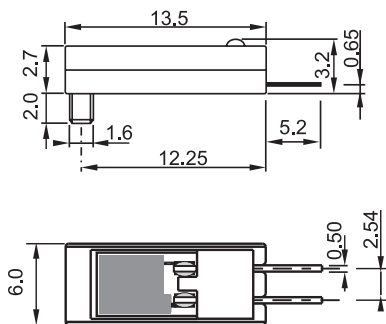
**HC201**



**HC201/H**



**HC201/G**



# Technical Data

<b>Measuring range</b>	<b>Humidity</b> <b>Temperature</b>	10...95 %RH -40...+110 °C
<b>Nominal capacitance C<sub>0</sub></b> @ 20 °C		200 ± 30 pF
<b>Linearity error (20...90 %RH)</b>		< ±2 %RH
<b>Response time t<sub>90</sub></b>		< 15 s
<b>Sensitivity</b>		0.6 pF / %RH
<b>Temperature dependency [%RH / °C]</b>		$\Delta RH = g * RH * (T - 20)$ $g = -0.004 \pm 10 \%$
<b>Hysteresis</b>		2.0 ± 0.3 %RH
<b>Long-term stability</b> @ 20...30 °C / 20...80 %RH		Drift < 1.5 % / year
<b>Maximum supply voltage</b>		5 V (V <sub>PP</sub> )
<b>Maximum DC voltage</b>		< 5 mV
<b>Loss tangent, typ.</b>		< 0.1
<b>Operating frequency</b>		10...100 kHz, recommended 20 kHz
<b>Material connection</b>		Phosphor bronze with tin coating

## Humidity Element Characteristic

The sensor capacitance increases linearly with a capacitance swing of about 48 pF (HC201) over the measuring range 10...95 %RH. In this humidity range, the behaviour of the sensors with a linearity deviation of < ±2.0 %RH can be represented by the following linear curve:

$$C(U_w) = C_{76} * [1 + HC_0 * (U_w - 76)]$$

with  $HC_0 = 2700 \pm 120 \text{ ppm} / \%RH$

For high accuracy requirements, the sensitivity is determined by the following polynomial:

$$C(U_w) = C_0 * [1 + HC_0 * U_w + k(U_w)]$$

whereby:  $k(U_w) = A_1 * U_w^{1/3} + A_2 * U_w + A_3 * U_w^{3/2} + A_4 * U_w^2$

$$A_1 = 1.9311E^{-3} \quad A_2 = 2.8880E^{-4}$$

$$A_3 = -4.5169E^{-4} \quad A_4 = 1.2400E^{-6}$$

$$HC_0 = 3300 \text{ ppm} / \%RH \quad C_0 = 149.8 \text{ pF}$$

Valid for  $U_w = 10...95 \%RH$

# Ordering Guide

Feature	Description	Code
		<b>HC201</b>
<b>Type</b>	Capacitive humidity sensor 200 pF, T&R <sup>1)</sup>	<b>No code</b>
	Capacitive humidity sensor 200 pF in polycarbonate sleeve, T&R <sup>1)</sup>	<b>/G</b>
	Capacitive humidity sensor 200 pF in polycarbonate sleeve for mounting on the printed circuit board, in tube (80 pcs packing unit) <sup>2)</sup>	<b>/H</b>

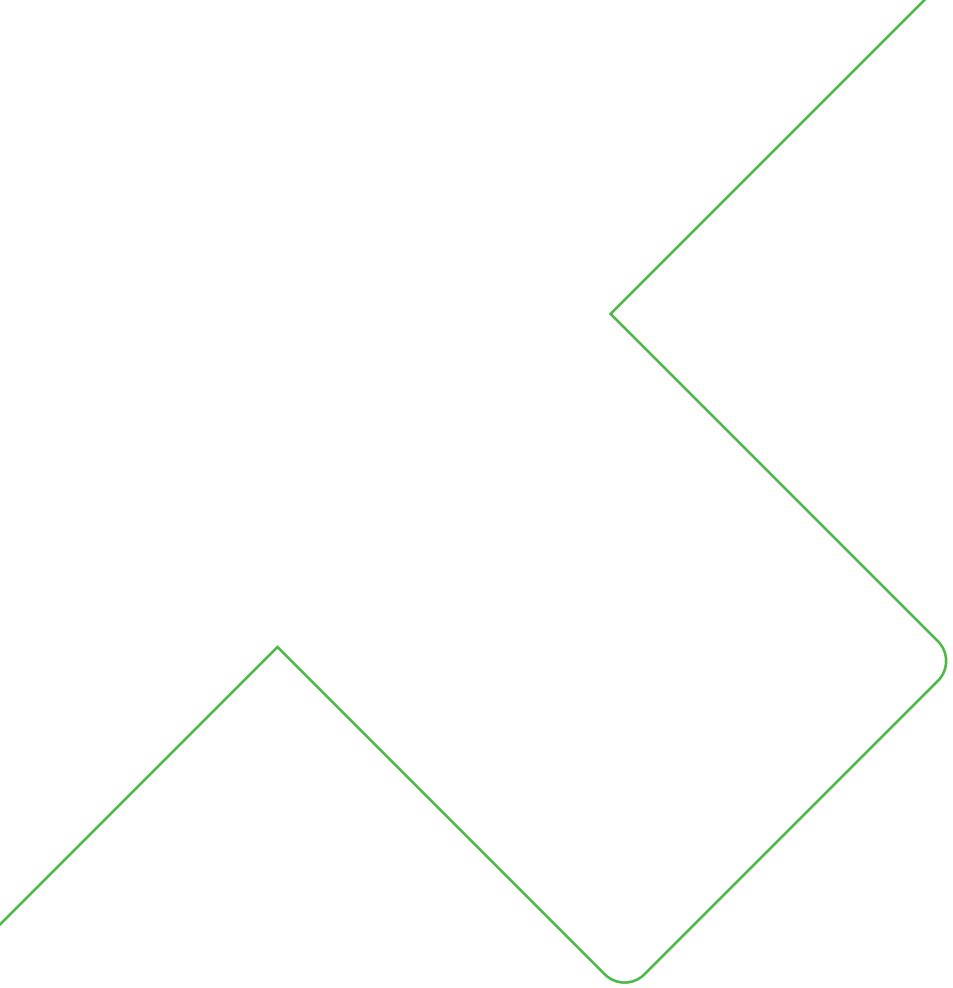
1) Tape & Reel packaging only available with straight leads

2) Tube packaging only available with bended leads

# Order Example

## HC201/H

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<b>Type</b>	<b>/H</b>	Capacitive humidity sensor 200 pF in polycarbonate sleeve for mounting on the printed circuit board, in tube (80 pcs packing unit)



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