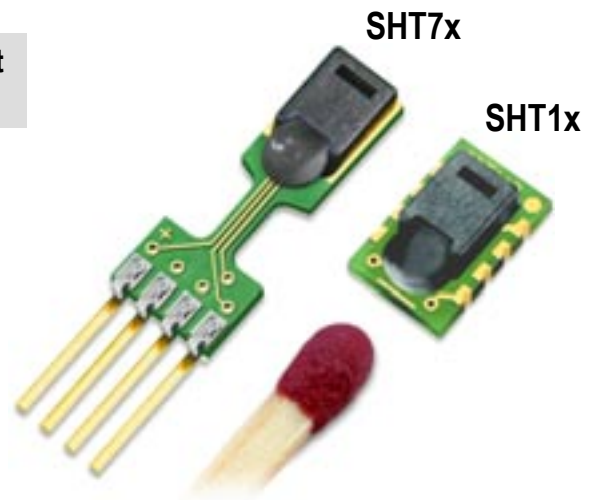


# SHT1x / SHT7x

## Humidity & Temperature Sensor

Evaluation Kit  
Available

- \_ Relative humidity and temperature sensors
- \_ Dew point
- \_ Fully calibrated, digital output
- \_ Excellent long-term stability
- \_ No external components required
- \_ Ultra low power consumption
- \_ Surface mountable or 4-pin fully interchangeable
- \_ Small size
- \_ Automatic power down



### SHT1x / SHT7x Product Summary

The SHTxx is a single chip relative humidity and temperature multi sensor module comprising a calibrated digital output. Application of industrial CMOS processes with patented micro-machining (CMOSens® technology) ensures highest reliability and excellent long term stability. The device includes a capacitive polymer sensing element for relative humidity and a bandgap temperature sensor. Both are seamlessly coupled to a 14bit analog to digital converter and a serial interface circuit on the same chip. This results in superior signal quality, a fast response time and insensitivity to external disturbances (EMC) at a very competitive price. Each SHTxx is individually calibrated in a precision humidity chamber with a chilled mirror hygrometer as reference. The

calibration coefficients are programmed into the OTP memory. These coefficients are used internally during measurements to calibrate the signals from the sensors.

The 2-wire serial interface and internal voltage regulation allows easy and fast system integration. Its tiny size and low power consumption makes it the ultimate choice for even the most demanding applications.

The device is supplied in either a surface-mountable LCC (Leadless Chip Carrier) or as a pluggable 4-pin single-in-line type package. Customer specific packaging options may be available on request.

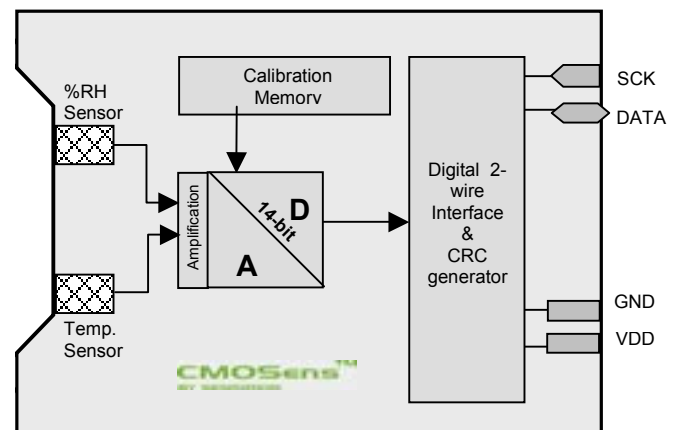
### Applications

- \_ HVAC
- \_ Automotive
- \_ Consumer Goods
- \_ Weather Stations
- \_ (De-) Humidifiers
- \_ Test & Measurement
- \_ Data Logging
- \_ Automation
- \_ White Goods
- \_ Medical

### Ordering Information

Part Number	Humidity accuracy [%RH]	Temperature accuracy [°C]	Package
SHT11	±3.5	±0.5 @ 25 °C	SMD (LCC)
SHT15	±2.0	±0.4 @ 5-40 °C	SMD (LCC)
SHT71	±3.5	±0.5 @ 25 °C	4-pin single-in-line
SHT75	±2.0	±0.4 @ 5-40 °C	4-pin single-in-line

### Block Diagram



## 1 Sensor Performance Specifications

Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
<b>Humidity</b>					
Resolution <sup>(2)</sup>		0.5	0.03	0.03	%RH
		8	12	12	bit
Repeatability			±0.1		%RH
Accuracy <sup>(1)</sup>	linearized	see figure 1			
Uncertainty					
Interchangeability		Fully interchangeable			
Nonlinearity	raw data		±3		%RH
	linearized		<<1		%RH
Range		0		100	%RH
Response time	1/e (63%) slowly moving air		4		s
Hysteresis			±1		%RH
Long term stability	typical		< 1		%RH/yr
<b>Temperature</b>					
Resolution <sup>(2)</sup>		0.04	0.01	0.01	°C
		0.07	0.02	0.02	°F
		12	14	14	bit
Repeatability			±0.1		°C
			±0.2		°F
Accuracy		see figure 1			
Range		-40		123.8	°C
		-40		254.9	°F
Response Time	1/e (63%)	5		30	s

Table 1 Sensor Performance Specifications

## 2 Interface Specifications

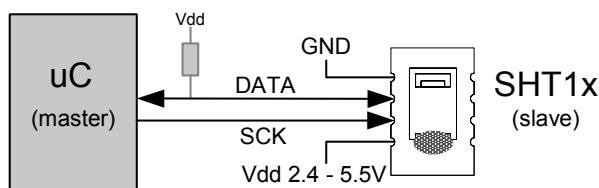


Figure 2 Typical application circuit

### 2.1 Power Pins

The SHTxx requires a voltage supply between 2.4 and 5.5 V. After powerup the device needs 11ms to reach its “sleep” state. No commands should be sent before that time. Power supply pins (VDD, GND) may be decoupled with a 100 nF capacitor.

### 2.2 Serial Interface (Bidirectional 2-wire)

The serial interface of the SHTxx is optimized for sensor readout and power consumption and is not compatible with I<sup>2</sup>C interfaces, see FAQ for details.

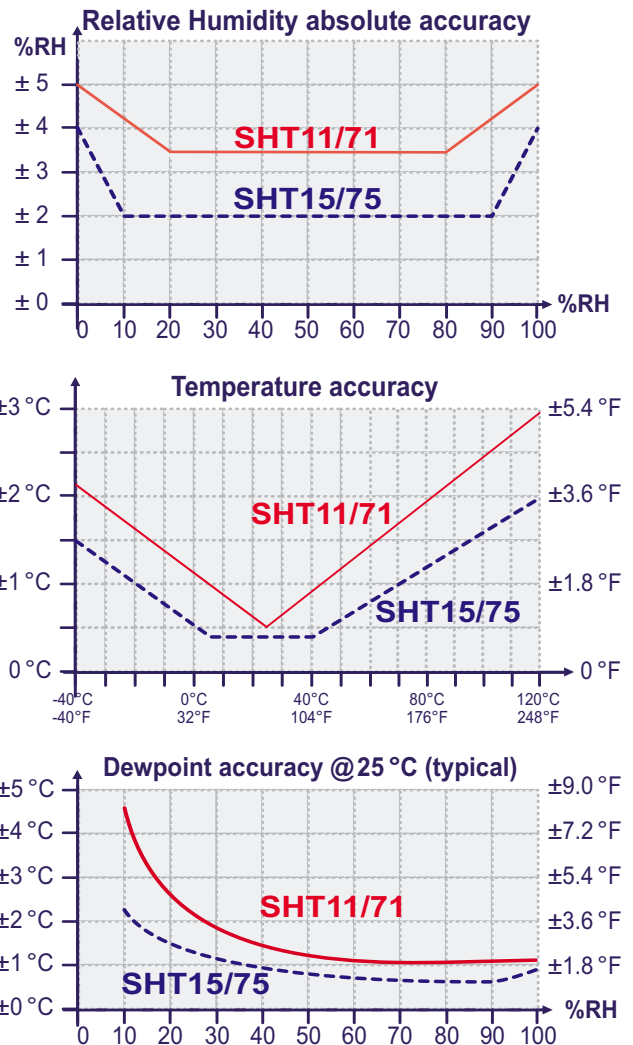


Figure 1 Rel. Humidity, Temperature and Dewpoint accuracies

#### 2.2.1 Serial clock input (SCK)

The SCK is used to synchronize the communication between a microcontroller and the SHTxx. Since the interface consists of fully static logic there is no minimum SCK frequency.

#### 2.2.2 Serial data (DATA)

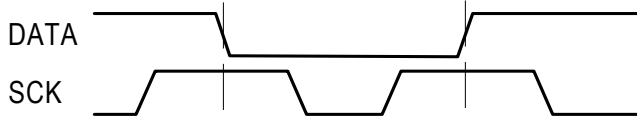
The DATA tristate pin is used to transfer data in and out of the device. DATA **changes after the falling edge** and is **valid on the rising edge** of the serial clock SCK. During transmission the DATA line must remain stable while SCK is high. To avoid signal contention the microcontroller should only drive DATA low. An external pull-up resistor (e.g. 10 kΩ) is required to pull the signal high. (See Figure 2) Pull-up resistors are often included in I/O circuits of microcontrollers. See Table 5 for detailed IO characteristics.

<sup>(1)</sup> Each SHTxx is tested to be fully within RH accuracy specifications at 25 °C (77 °F) and 48 °C (118.4 °F)

<sup>(2)</sup> The default measurement resolution of 14bit (temperature) and 12bit (humidity) can be reduced to 12 and 8 bit through the status register.

### 2.2.3 Sending a command

To initiate a transmission, a "Transmission Start" sequence has to be issued. It consists of a lowering of the DATA line while SCK is high, followed by a low pulse on SCK and raising DATA again while SCK is still high.



**Figure 3** "Transmission Start" sequence

The subsequent command consists of three address bits (only "000" is currently supported) and five command bits. The SHTxx indicates the proper reception of a command by pulling the DATA pin low (ACK bit) after the falling edge of the 8th SCK clock. The DATA line is released (and goes high) after the falling edge of the 9th SCK clock.

Command	Code
Reserved	0000x
Measure Temperature	00011
Measure Humidity	00101
Read Status Register	00111
Write Status Register	00110
Reserved	0101x-1110x
<b>Soft reset</b> , resets the interface, clears the status register to default values wait minimum 11 ms before next command	<b>11110</b>

**Table 2** SHTxx list of commands

### 2.2.4 Measurement sequence (RH and T)

After issuing a measurement command ('00000101' for RH, '00000011' for Temperature) the controller has to wait for the measurement to complete. This takes approximately 11/55/210 ms for a 8/12/14bit measurement. The exact time varies by up to  $\pm 15\%$  with the speed of the internal oscillator. To signal the completion of a measurement, the SHTxx pulls down the data line. The controller **must** wait for this "data ready" signal before starting to toggle SCK again.

Two bytes of measurement data and one byte of CRC checksum will then be transmitted. The uC must acknowledge each byte by pulling the DATA line low. All values are MSB first, right justified. (e.g. the 5<sup>th</sup> SCK is MSB for a 12bit value, for a 8bit result the first byte is not used). Communication terminates after the acknowledge bit of the CRC data. If CRC-8 checksum is not used the controller may terminate the communication after the measurement data LSB by keeping ack high.

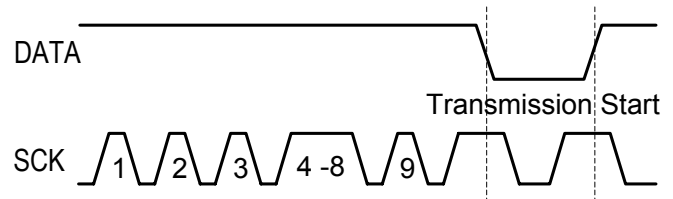
The device automatically returns to sleep mode after the measurement and communication have ended.

**Warning:** To keep self heating below 0.1 °C the SHTxx should not be active for more than 15% of the time (e.g. max. 3 measurements / second for 12bit accuracy).

### 2.2.5 Connection reset sequence

If communication with the device is lost the following signal sequence will reset its serial interface:

While leaving DATA high, toggle SCK 9 or more times. This must be followed by a "Transmission Start" sequence preceding the next command. This sequence resets the interface only. The status register preserves its content.

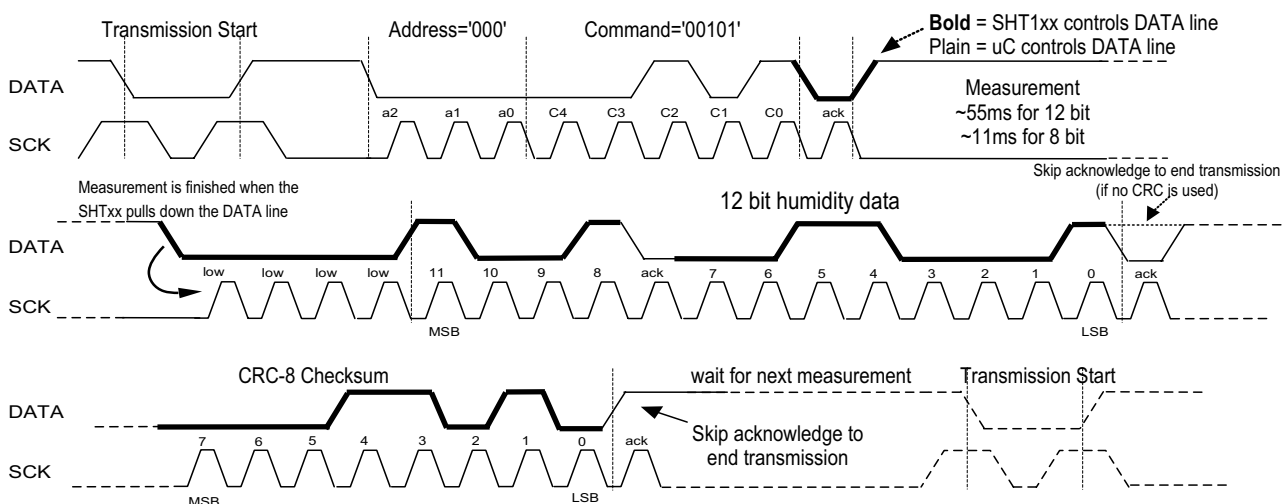


**Figure 4** Connection reset sequence

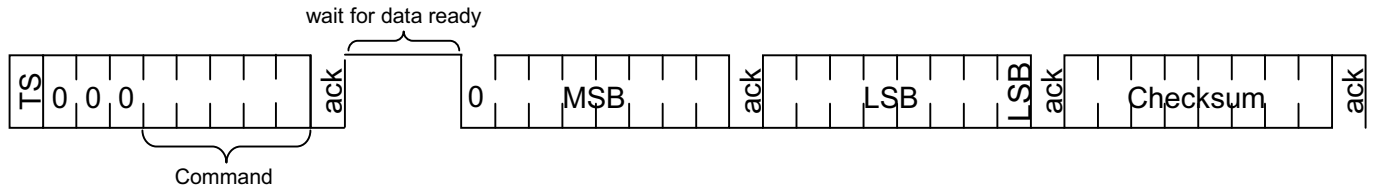
### 2.2.6 CRC-8 Checksum calculation

The whole digital transmission is secured by a 8 bit checksum. It ensures that any wrong data can be detected and eliminated.

Please consult application note "CRC-8 Checksum Calculation" for information on how to calculate the CRC.

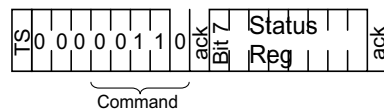
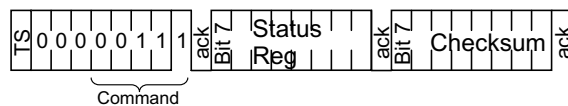


**Figure 5** Example RH measurement sequence for value "0000'1001' 0011'0001" = 2353 = 75.79 %RH (without temperature compensation)


**Figure 6** Overview of Measurement Sequence (TS = Transmission Start)

### 2.3 Status Register

Some of the advanced functions of the SHTxx are available through the status register. The following section gives a brief overview of these features. A more detailed description is available in the application note "Status Register"


**Figure 7** Status Register Write

**Figure 8** Status Register Read

Bit	Type	Description	Default
7		reserved	0
6	R	End of Battery (low voltage detection) '0' for Vdd > 2.47 '1' for Vdd < 2.47	X No default value, bit is only updated after a measurement
5		reserved	0
4		reserved	0
3		For Testing only, do not use	0
2	R/W	Heater	0 off
1	R/W	no reload from OTP	0 reload
0	R/W	'1' = 8bit RH / 12bit Temperature resolution '0' = 12bit RH / 14bit Temperature resolution	0 12bit RH 14bit Temp.

**Table 3** Status Register Bits

#### 2.3.1 Measurement resolution

The default measurement resolution of 14bit (temperature) and 12bit (humidity) can be reduced to 12 and 8bit. This is especially useful in high speed or extreme low power applications.

#### 2.3.2 End of Battery

The "End of Battery" function detects VDD voltages below 2.47 V. Accuracy is  $\pm 0.05$  V

#### 2.3.3 Heater

An on chip heating element can be switched on. It will increase the temperature of the sensor by approximately 5°C (9 °F). Power consumption will increase by ~8 mA @ 5 V.  
Applications:

By comparing temperature and humidity values before and

after switching on the heater, proper functionality of both sensors can be verified.

- In high (>95 %RH) RH environments heating the sensor element will prevent condensation, improve response time and accuracy

**Warning:** While heated the SHTxx will show higher temperatures and a lower relative humidity than with no heating.

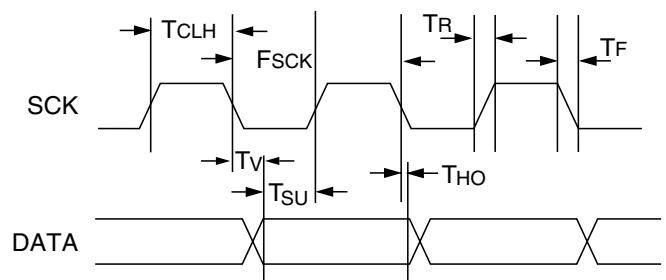
### 2.4 Electrical Characteristics<sup>(1)</sup>

VDD=5V, Temperature = 25 °C unless otherwise noted

Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Power supply DC		2.4	5	5.5	V
Supply current	measuring		550		μA
	average	2 <sup>(2)</sup>	28 <sup>(3)</sup>		μA
	sleep		0.3	1	μA
Low level output voltage		0		20%	Vdd
High level output voltage		75%		100%	Vdd
Low level input voltage	Negative going	0		20%	Vdd
High level input voltage	Positive going	80%		100%	Vdd
Input current on pads				1	μA
Output peak current	on			4	mA
	Tristated (off)		10		μA

**Table 4** SHTxx DC Characteristics

	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ.	Max.	Unit
F <sub>SCK</sub>	SCK frequency	VDD > 4.5 V			10	MHz
		VDD < 4.5 V			1	MHz
T <sub>RFO</sub>	DATA fall time	Output load 5 pF	3.5	10	20	ns
		Output load 100 pF	30	40	200	ns
T <sub>CLx</sub>	SCK hi/low time		100			ns
T <sub>V</sub>	DATA valid time			250		ns
T <sub>SU</sub>	DATA set up time		100			ns
T <sub>HO</sub>	DATA hold time		0	10		ns
T <sub>R/Tf</sub>	SCK rise/fall time			200		ns

**Table 5** SHTxx I/O Signals Characteristics

**Figure 9** Timing Diagram

<sup>(1)</sup> Parameters are periodically sampled and not 100% tested

<sup>(2)</sup> With one measurement of 8 bit accuracy without OTP reload per second

<sup>(3)</sup> With one measurement of 12bit accuracy per second

### 3 Converting Output to Physical Values

#### 3.1 Relative Humidity

To compensate for the non-linearity of the humidity sensor and to obtain the full accuracy it is recommended to convert the readout with the following formula<sup>1</sup>:

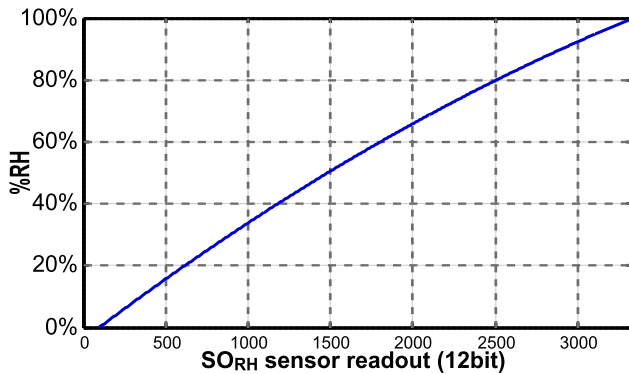
$$RH_{\text{linear}} = c_1 + c_2 \bullet SO_{RH} + c_3 \bullet SO_{RH}^2$$

SO <sub>RH</sub>	c <sub>1</sub>	c <sub>2</sub>	c <sub>3</sub>
12 bit	-4	0.0405	-2.8 * 10 <sup>-6</sup>
8 bit	-4	0.648	-7.2 * 10 <sup>-4</sup>

**Table 6** Humidity conversion coefficients

For simplified, less computation intense conversion formulas see application note "RH and Temperature Non-Linearity Compensation".

The humidity sensor has no significant voltage dependency.



**Figure 10** Conversion from SO<sub>RH</sub> to relative humidity

##### 3.1.1 Compensation of RH/Temperature dependency

For temperatures significantly different from 25 °C (~77 °F) the temperature coefficient of the RH sensor should be considered:

$$RH_{\text{true}} = (T_{\text{°C}} - 25) \bullet (t_1 + t_2 \bullet SO_{RH}) + RH_{\text{linear}}$$

SO <sub>RH</sub>	t <sub>1</sub>	t <sub>2</sub>
12 bit	0.01	0.00008
8 bit	0.01	0.00128

**Table 7** Temperature compensation coefficients

This equals ~0.12 %RH / °C @ 50 %RH

#### 3.2 Temperature

The bandgap PTAT (Proportional To Absolute Temperature) temperature sensor is very linear by design. Use the following formula to convert from digital readout to temperature:

$$\text{Temperature} = d_1 + d_2 \bullet SO_T$$

VDD	d <sub>1</sub> [°C]	d <sub>1</sub> [°f]
5V	-40.00	-40.00
4V	-39.75	-39.50
3.5V	-39.66	-39.35
3V	-39.60	-39.28
2.5V	-39.55	-39.23

SO <sub>T</sub>	d <sub>2</sub> [°C]	d <sub>2</sub> [°f]
14bit	0.01	0.018
12bit	0.04	0.072

**Table 8** Temperature conversion coefficients

For improved accuracies in extreme temperatures with more computation intense conversion formulas see application note "RH and Temperature Non-Linearity Compensation".

#### 3.3 Dewpoint

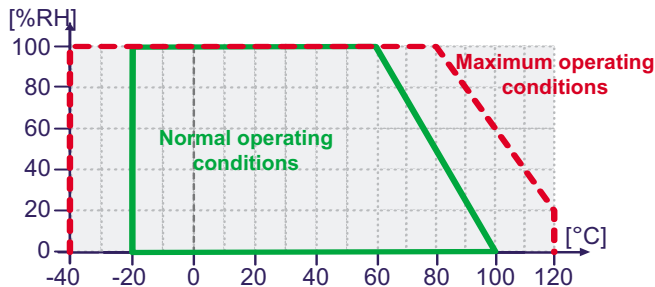
Since humidity and temperature are both measured on the same monolithic chip, the SHTxx allows superb dewpoint measurements. See application note "Dewpoint calculation" for more.

<sup>1</sup> Where SO<sub>RH</sub> is the sensor output for relative humidity



## 4 Applications Information

### 4.1 Operating and Storage Conditions



**Figure 11** Recommended operating conditions

Conditions outside the recommended range may temporarily offset the RH signal up to  $\pm 3$  %RH. After return to normal conditions it will slowly return towards calibration state by itself. See 4.3 “Reconditioning Procedure” to accelerate this process. Prolonged exposure to extreme conditions may accelerate ageing.

### 4.2 Exposure to Chemicals

Vapors may interfere with the polymer layers used for capacitive humidity sensors. The diffusion of chemicals into the polymer may cause a shift in both offset and sensitivity. In a clean environment the contaminants will slowly outgas. The reconditioning procedure described below will accelerate this process. High levels of pollutants may cause permanent damage to the sensing polymer.

### 4.3 Reconditioning Procedure

The following reconditioning procedure will bring the sensor back to calibration state after exposure to extreme conditions or chemical vapors.

80-90 °C (176-194°F) at  $< 5$  %RH for 24h (baking) followed by 20-30 °C (70-90°F) at  $> 74$  %RH for 48h (re-hydration)

### 4.4 Qualifications

Extensive tests were performed in various environments. Please contact SENSIRION for additional information.

Environment	Norm	Results <sup>(1)</sup>
Temperature Cycles	JESD22-A104-B -40 °C / 125°C, 1000cy	Within Specifications
HAST Pressure Cooker	JESD22-A110-B 2.3bar 125°C 85%RH	Reversible shift by +2 %RH
Salt Atmosphere	DIN-50021ss	Within Spec.
Condensing Air	-	Within Spec.
Freezing cycles fully submerged	-20 / +90°C, 100cy 30min dwell time	Reversible shift by +2 %RH
Various Automotive Chemicals	DIN 72300-5	Within Specifications
Cigarette smoke	Equivalent to 15years in a mid-size car	Within Specifications

**Table 9** Qualification tests (excerpt)

<sup>(1)</sup> The temperature sensor passed all tests without any detectable drift. Package and electronics also passed 100%

### 4.5 ESD (Electrostatic Discharge)

ESD immunity is qualified according to MIL STD 883E, method 3015 (Human Body Model at  $\pm 2$  kV).

Latch-up immunity is provided at a force current of  $\pm 100$  mA with  $T_{amb} = 80$  °C according to JEDEC 17.

See application note “ESD, Latchup and EMC” for more information.

### 4.6 Temperature Effects

The relative humidity of a gas strongly depends on its temperature. It is therefore essential to keep humidity sensors at the same temperature as the air of which the relative humidity is to be measured.

If the SHTxx shares a PCB with electronic components that give off heat it should be mounted far away and below the heat source and the housing must remain well ventilated.

To reduce heat conduction copper layers between the SHT1x and the rest of the PCB should be minimized and a slit may be milled in between. ( See figure 14 )

### 4.7 Materials Used for Sealing / Mounting

Many materials absorb humidity and will act as a buffer, increasing response times and hysteresis. Materials in the vicinity of the sensor must therefore be carefully chosen. Recommended materials are:

All Metals, LCP, POM (Delrin), PTFE (Teflon), PE, PEEK, PP, PB, PPS, PSU, PVDF, PVF

For sealing and gluing (use sparingly):

High filled epoxy for electronic packaging (e.g. glob top, underfill), and Silicone are recommended.

### 4.8 Membranes

A membrane can be used to prevent dirt from entering the housing and to protect the sensor. It will also reduce peak concentrations of chemical vapors. For optimal response times air volume behind the membrane must be kept to a minimum.

### 4.9 Light

The SHTxx is not light sensitive. Prolonged direct exposure to sunshine or strong UV radiation may age the housing.

### 4.10 Wiring Considerations and Signal Integrity

Carrying the SCK and DATA signal parallel and in close proximity (e.g. in wires) for more than 10cm may result in cross talk and loss of communication. This may be resolved by routing VDD and/or GND between the two data signals. Please see the application note “ESD, Latchup and EMC” for more information.

Power supply pins (VDD, GND) should be decoupled with a 100 nF capacitor if wires are used.

## 5 Package Information

### 5.1 SHT1x (surface mountable)

Pin	Name	Comment
1	GND	Ground
2	DATA	Serial data, bidirectional
3	SCK	Serial clock, input
4	VDD	Supply 2.4 – 5.5 V
	NC	Remaining pins must be left unconnected

**Table 10** SHT1x Pin Description

#### 5.1.1 Package type

The SHT1x is supplied in a surface-mountable LCC (Leadless Chip Carrier) type package. The sensors housing consists of a Liquid Crystal Polymer (LCP) cap with epoxy glob top on a standard 0.8 mm FR4 substrate. The device is free of lead, Cd and Hg.

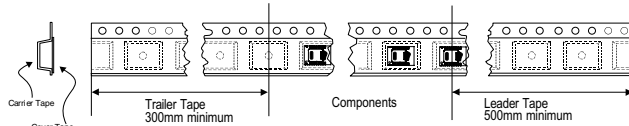
Device size is 7.42 x 4.88 x 2.5 mm (0.29 x 0.19 x 0.1 inch)

Weight 100 mg

The production date is printed onto the cap in white numbers in the form wwyy. e.g. "351" = week 35, 2001.

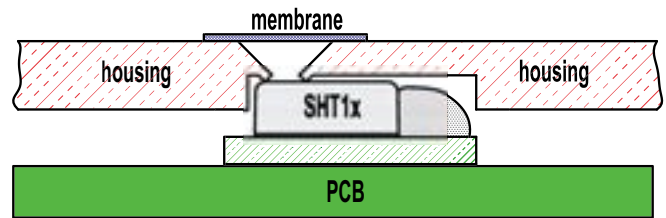
#### 5.1.2 Delivery Conditions

The SHT1x are shipped in standard IC tubes by 80 units per tube or in 12mm tape. Reels are individually labelled with barcode and human readable labels.

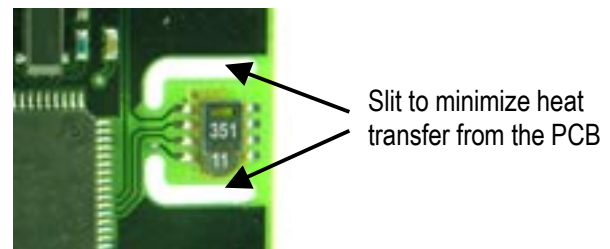


**Figure 12** Tape configuration and unit orientation

#### 5.1.3 Mounting Examples



**Figure 13** SHT1x housing mounting example



**Figure 14** SHT1x PCB Mounting example

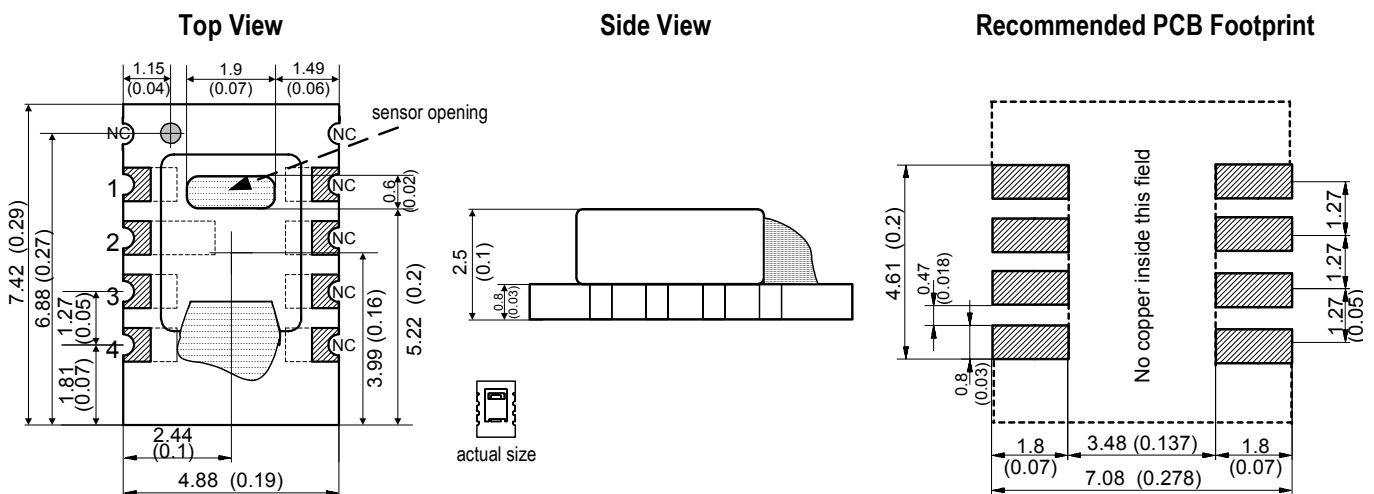
#### 5.1.4 Soldering Information

Standard reflow soldering ovens may be used at maximum 235 °C for 20 seconds.

For manual soldering contact time must be limited to 5 seconds at up to 350 °C.

After soldering the devices should be stored at >74 %RH for at least 24h to allow the polymer to rehydrate.

Please consult the application note "Soldering procedure" for more information.



**Figure 15** SHT1x drawing and footprint dimensions in mm (inch)

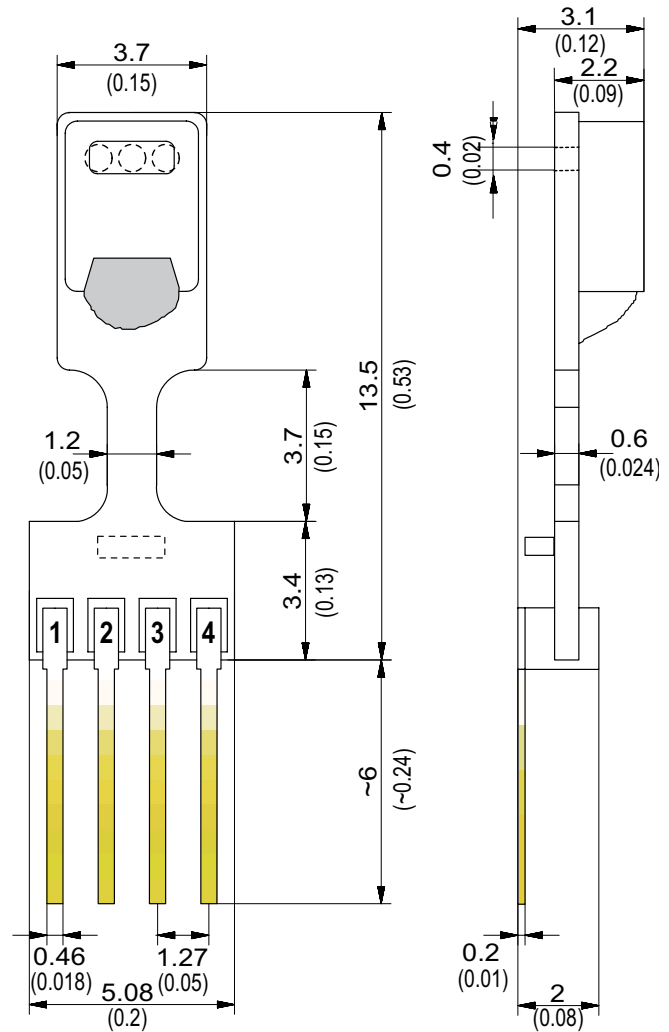
Pin	Name	Comment
1	SCK	Serial clock input
2	VDD	Supply 2.4 – 5.5 V
3	GND	Ground
4	DATA	Serial data bidirectional

### 5.2.1 Package type<sup>1</sup>

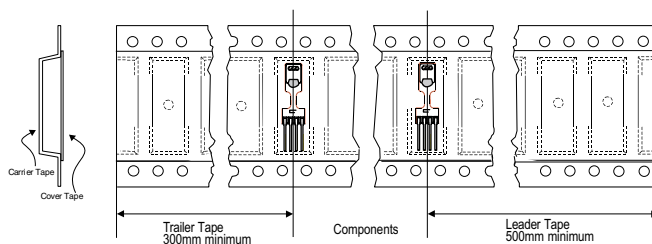
All pins are gold plated to avoid corrosion. They can be soldered or mate with most 1.27 mm (0.05") sockets e.g.: Preci-dip / Mill-Max 851-93-004-20-001 or similar  
Total weight: 168 mg, weight of sensor head: 73 mg

### 5.2.2 Delivery Conditions

The SHT7x are shipped in 32 mm tape. These reeled parts in standard option are shipped with 500 units per 13 inch diameter reel. Reels are individually labelled with barcode and human readable labels.



**Figure 17** SHT7x dimensions in mm (inch)



**Figure 16** Tape configuration and unit orientation

### 5.2.3 Soldering Information

Please consult the application note "Soldering procedure" for more information.

<sup>1</sup> Other packaging options may be available on request.



## 6 Revision history

Date	Version	Page(s)	Changes
February 2002	Preliminary	1-9	First public release
June 2002	Preliminary		Added SHT7x information
March 2003	Final v2.0	1-9	Major remake, added application information etc. Various small modifications

The latest version of this document and all application notes can be found at:

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## 7 Important Notices

### 7.1 Warning, personal injury

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### 7.2 ESD Precautions

The inherent design of this component causes it to be sensitive to electrostatic discharge (ESD). To prevent ESD-induced damage and/or degradation, take normal ESD precautions when handling this product.

See application note "ESD, Latchup and EMC" for more information.

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