

Datasheet SHT21P

Humidity and Temperature Sensor IC

- Fully calibrated
- Analog output, PWM interface
- Low power consumption
- Excellent long term stability
- DFN type package – reflow solderable



Product Summary

The SHT21 humidity and temperature sensor of Sensirion has become an industry standard in terms of form factor and intelligence: Embedded in a reflow solderable Dual Flat No leads (DFN) package of 3 x 3mm foot print and 1.1mm height it provides calibrated, linearized sensor signals in analog Pulse Width Modulated (PWM) format.

The SHT2x sensors contain a capacitive type humidity sensor, a band gap temperature sensor and specialized analog and digital integrated circuit – all on a single CMOSens® chip. This yields in an unmatched sensor performance in terms of accuracy and stability as well as minimal power consumption.

PWM signal runs on a base frequency of 120Hz, the data signal is provided on SDA line. Pulling SCL high or low allows for switching between humidity and temperature, respectively. The sensor measures twice per second. The PWM signal may be converted to an analog ratiometric interface by adding a low pass filter.

Every sensor is individually calibrated and tested. Lot identification is printed on the sensor.

With this set of features and the proven reliability and long-term stability, the SHT2x sensors offer an outstanding performance-to-price ratio. For testing SHT2x two evaluation kits EK-H4 and EK-H5 are available.

Dimensions

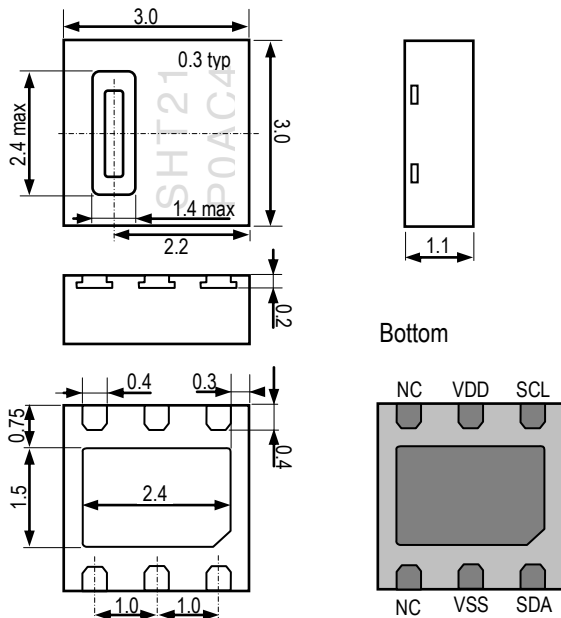


Figure 1: Drawing of SHT21P sensor package, dimensions are given in mm (1mm = 0.039inch), tolerances are ± 0.1 mm. The die pad (center pad) is internally connected to VSS. The NC pads must be left floating. Numbering of E/O pads starts at lower right corner (indicated by notch in die pad) and goes clockwise (compare Table 2).

Sensor Chip

SHT21P features a generation 4C CMOSens® chip. Besides the capacitive relative humidity sensor and the band gap temperature sensor, the chip contains an amplifier, A/D converter, OTP memory and a digital processing unit.

Material Contents

While the sensor itself is made of Silicon the sensors' housing consists of a plated Cu lead-frame and green epoxy-based mold compound. The device is free of Pb, Cd and Hg – hence it is fully RoHS and WEEE compliant.

Additional Information

Additional information such as Application Notes is available from the web page www.sensirion.com/sht21. For more information please contact Sensirion via info@sensirion.com.

Sensor Performance

Relative Humidity

Parameter	Condition	Value	Units
Resolution	12 bit	0.04	%RH
Accuracy tolerance ¹	typ	±2.0	%RH
	max	see Figure 2	%RH
Repeatability		±0.1	%RH
Hysteresis		±1	%RH
Nonlinearity		<0.1	%RH
Response time ²	τ 63%	8	s
Operating Range	extended ³	0 to 100	%RH
Long Term Drift ⁴	Typ.	< 0.25	%RH/yr

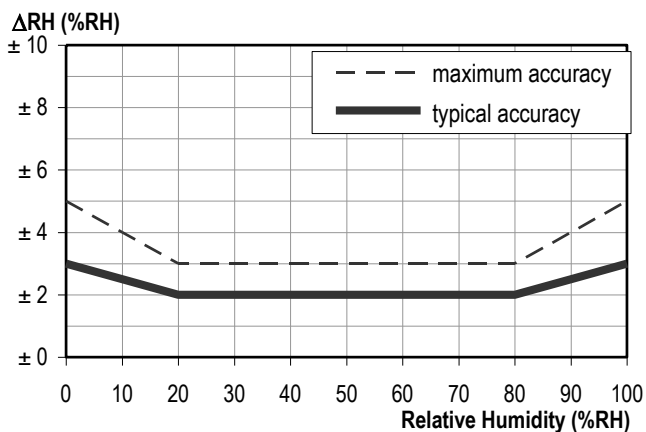


Figure 2 Typical and maximal tolerance at 25°C for relative humidity. For extensive information see Users Guide, Sect. 1.2.

Electrical Specification

Parameter	Condition	min	typ	max	Units
Supply Voltage, VDD		2.1	3.0	3.6	V
Supply Current, IDD ⁵			180		μA
Power Dissipation ⁵			0.54		mW
PWM frequency	40 °C	108	120	132	Hz
Temperature drift of PWM frequency		-0.07		-0.12	Hz/°C
Measurement Frequency			2		Hz
Switch RH/T on SDA	SCL up → RH; SCL down → T				

Table 1 Electrical specification. For absolute maximum values see Chapter 4.1 of Users Guide.

¹ Accuracies are tested at Outgoing Quality Control at 25°C and 3.0V. Values exclude hysteresis and long term drift and are applicable to non-condensing environments only.

² Time for achieving 63% of a step function, valid at 25°C and 1 m/s airflow.

³ Normal operating range: 0-80%RH, beyond this limit sensor may read a reversible offset with slow kinetics (+3%RH after 60h at humidity >80%RH). For more details please see Section 1.1 of the Users Guide.

Temperature

Parameter	Condition	Value	Units
Resolution	14 bit	0.01	°C
Accuracy tolerance ¹	typ	±0.3	°C
	max	see Figure 3	°C
Repeatability		±0.1	°C
Operating Range	extended ³	-40 to 125	°C
Response Time ⁶	τ 63%	5 to 30	s
Long Term Drift ⁷	Typ.	< 0.02	°C/yr

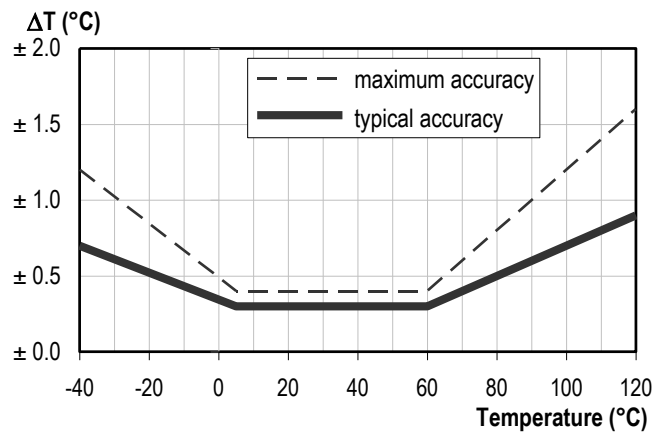


Figure 3 Typical and maximal temperature accuracy tolerance

Packaging Information

Sensor Type	Packaging	Quantity	Order Number
SHT21P	Tape & Reel	400	1-100711-01
	Tape & Reel	1500	1-100700-01
	Tape & Reel	5000	1-100699-01

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⁴ Typical value for operation in normal RH/T operating range. Max. value is < 0.5 %RH/y. Value may be higher in environments with vaporized solvents, out-gassing tapes, adhesives, packaging materials, etc. For more details please refer to Handling Instructions.

⁵ Values of Supply Current and Power Dissipation are based upon fixed VDD = 3.0V and T = 25°C.

⁶ Response time depends on heat conductivity of sensor substrate.

⁷ Max. value is < 0.04°C/y.

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1 Extended Specifications

For details on how Sensirion is specifying and testing accuracy performance please consult Application Note "Statement on Sensor Specification".

1.1 Operating Range

The sensor works stable within recommended Normal Range – see Figure 4. Long term exposure to conditions outside Normal Range, especially at humidity >80%RH, may temporarily offset the RH signal (+3%RH after 60h). After return into the Normal Range it will slowly return towards calibration state by itself. Prolonged exposure to extreme conditions may accelerate ageing.

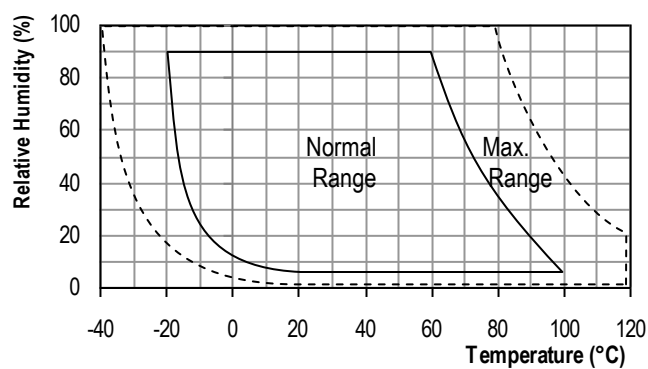


Figure 4 Operating Conditions

1.2 RH accuracy at various temperatures

Typical RH accuracy at 25°C is defined in Figure 2. For other temperatures, typical accuracy has been evaluated to be as displayed in Figure 5.

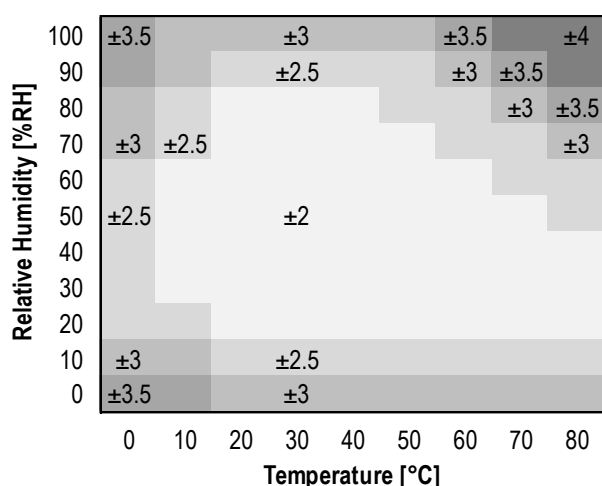


Figure 5 Typical accuracy of relative humidity measurements given in %RH for temperatures 0 – 80°C.

2 Application Information

2.1 Soldering Instructions

The DFN's die pad (centre pad) and perimeter I/O pads are fabricated from a planar copper lead-frame by over-molding leaving the die pad and I/O pads exposed for mechanical and electrical connection. Both the I/O pads and die pad should be soldered to the PCB. In order to prevent oxidation and optimize soldering, the bottom side of the sensor pads is plated with Ni/Pd/Au.

On the PCB the I/O lands⁸ should be 0.2mm longer than the package I/O pads. Inward corners may be rounded to match the I/O pad shape. The I/O land width should match the DFN-package I/O-pads width 1:1 and the land for the die pad should match 1:1 with the DFN package – see Figure 6.

The solder mask⁹ design for the land pattern preferably is of type Non-Solder Mask Defined (NSMD) with solder mask openings larger than metal pads. For NSMD pads, the solder mask opening should be about 120µm to 150µm larger than the pad size, providing a 60µm to 75µm design clearance between the copper pad and solder mask. Rounded portions of package pads should have a matching rounded solder mask-opening shape to minimize the risk of solder bridging. For the actual pad dimensions, each pad on the PCB should have its own solder mask opening with a web of solder mask between adjacent pads.

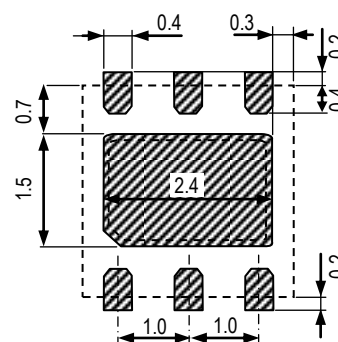


Figure 6 Recommended metal land pattern for SHT2x. Values in mm. Die pad (centre pad) may be left floating or be connected to ground, NC pads shall be left floating. The outer dotted line represents the outer dimension of the DFN package.

For solder paste printing a laser-cut, stainless steel stencil with electro-polished trapezoidal walls and with 0.125mm stencil thickness is recommended. For the I/O pads the

⁸ The land pattern is understood to be the metal layer on the PCB, onto which the DFN pads are soldered to.

⁹ The solder mask is understood to be the insulating layer on top of the PCB covering the connecting lines.

stencil apertures should be 0.1mm longer than PCB pads and positioned with 0.1mm offset away from the centre of the package. The die pad aperture should cover about 70 – 90% of the pad area – say up to 1.4mm x 2.3mm centered on the thermal land area. It can also be split in two openings.

Due to the low mounted height of the DFN, “no clean” type 3 solder paste¹⁰ is recommended as well as Nitrogen purge during reflow.

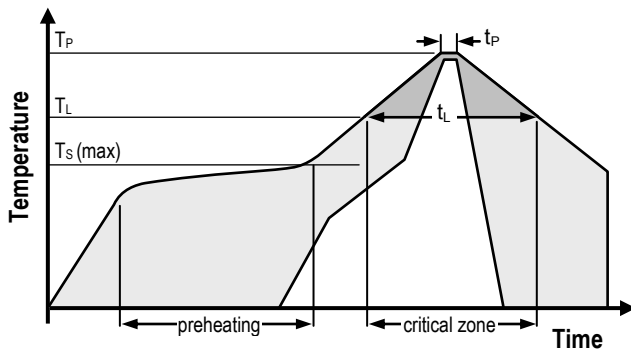


Figure 7 Soldering profile according to JEDEC standard. $T_P \leq 260^\circ\text{C}$ and $t_P < 30\text{sec}$ for Pb-free assembly. $T_L < 220^\circ\text{C}$ and $t_L < 150\text{sec}$. Ramp-up/down speeds shall be $< 5^\circ\text{C/sec}$.

It is important to note that the diced edge or side faces of the I/O pads may oxidise over time, therefore a solder fillet may or may not form. Hence there is no guarantee for solder joint fillet heights of any kind.

For soldering SHT2x, standard *reflow soldering* ovens may be used. The sensor is qualified to withstand soldering profile according to IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020 with peak temperatures at 260°C during up to 30sec for Pb-free assembly in IR/Convection reflow ovens (see Figure 7).

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

Immediately after the exposure to high temperatures the sensor may temporarily read a negative humidity offset (typ. -1 to -2 %RH after reflow soldering). This offset slowly disappears again by itself when the sensor is exposed to ambient conditions (typ. within 1-3 days). If RH testing is performed immediately after reflow soldering, this offset should be considered when defining the test limits.

In no case, neither after manual nor reflow soldering, a board wash shall be applied. Therefore, and as mentioned above, it is strongly recommended to use “no-clean” solder paste. In case of applications with exposure of the sensor to corrosive gases or condensed water (i.e. environments with high relative humidity) the soldering pads shall be sealed (e.g. conformal coating) to prevent loose contacts or short cuts.

2.2 Storage Conditions and Handling Instructions

Moisture Sensitivity Level (MSL) is 1, according to IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020. At the same time, it is recommended to further process the sensors within 1 year after date of delivery.

It is of great importance to understand that a humidity sensor is not a normal electronic component and needs to be handled with care. Chemical vapors at high concentration in combination with long exposure times may offset the sensor reading.

For this reason it is recommended to store the sensors in original packaging including the sealed ESD bag at following conditions: Temperature shall be in the range of $10^\circ\text{C} - 50^\circ\text{C}$ and humidity at 20 – 60%RH (sensors that are not stored in ESD bags). For sensors that have been removed from the original packaging we recommend to store them in ESD bags made of metal-in PE-HD¹¹.

In manufacturing and transport the sensors shall be prevented of high concentration of chemical solvents and long exposure times. Out-gassing of glues, adhesive tapes and stickers or out-gassing packaging material such as bubble foils, foams, etc. shall be avoided. Manufacturing area shall be well ventilated.

For more detailed information please consult the document “*Handling Instructions*” or contact Sensirion.

2.3 Temperature Effects

Relative humidity reading strongly depends on temperature. Therefore, it is essential to keep humidity sensors at the same temperature as the air of which the relative humidity is to be measured. In case of testing or qualification the reference sensor and test sensor must show equal temperature to allow for comparing humidity readings.

If the sensor shares a PCB with electronic components that produce heat it should be mounted in a way that prevents heat transfer or keeps it as low as possible. Measures to reduce heat transfer can be ventilation, reduction of copper layers between the sensor and the rest of the PCB or milling a slit into the PCB around the sensor – see Figure 8.

¹⁰ Solder types are related to the solder particle size in the paste: Type 3 covers the size range of 25 – 45 μm (powder type 42).

¹¹ For example, 3M antistatic bag, product “1910” with zipper.

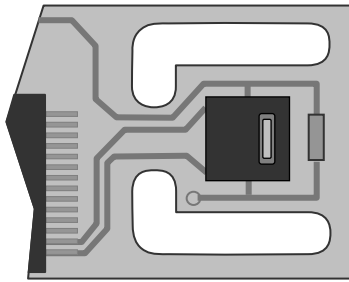


Figure 8 Top view of example of mounted SHT2x with slits milled into PCB to minimize heat transfer.

2.4 Light

The SHT2x is not light sensitive. Prolonged direct exposure to sunshine or strong UV radiation may age the sensor.

2.5 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: Any metals, LCP, POM (Delrin), PTFE (Teflon), PEEK, PP, PB, PPS, PSU, PVDF, PVF.

For sealing and gluing (use sparingly): Use high filled epoxy for electronic packaging (e.g. glob top, underfill), and Silicone. Out-gassing of these materials may also contaminate the sensor (see Section 2.2). Therefore try to add the sensor as a last manufacturing step to the assembly, store the assembly well ventilated after manufacturing or bake at $>50^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 24h to outgas contaminants before packing.

Interface Specifications

Pin	Name	Comment
1	SDA	Data bit-stream
2	VSS	Ground
5	VDD	Supply Voltage
6	SCL	Selector for RH or T
3,4	NC	Not connected

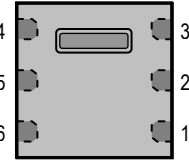


Table 2 SHT21P pin assignment (top view)

2.6 Power Pins (VDD, VSS)

The supply voltage of SHT21P must be in the range of 2.1 – 3.6V, recommended supply voltage is 3.0V. Power supply pins Supply Voltage (VDD) and Ground (VSS) must be decoupled with a 100nF capacitor, that shall be placed as close to the sensor as possible – see Figure 9.

2.7 SCL – Output Selector Pad

SCL is used to select humidity or temperature output. SCL high yields humidity output, SCL low yields temperature output. Please note that a change of SCL will affect the output on SDA after maximal 1.2 seconds.

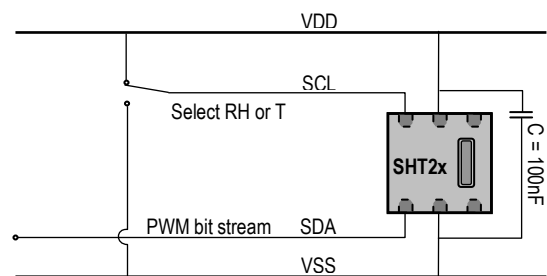


Figure 9 Typical application circuit, including decoupling of VDD and VSS by a capacitor.

2.8 SDA – Bit Stream Pad

On SDA the sensor is providing PWM output. The signal is carrying humidity or temperature data depending on SCL being high or low, respectively. See Table 4 for detailed I/O characteristic of the sensor.

3 Electrical Characteristics

3.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

The electrical characteristics of SHT21P are defined in Table 1. The absolute maximum ratings as given in Table 3 are stress ratings only and give additional information. Functional operation of the device at these conditions is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect the sensor reliability (e.g. hot carrier degradation, oxide breakdown).

Parameter	min	max	Units
VDD to VSS	-0.3	5	V
Digital IO Pins (SDA, SCL) to VSS	-0.3	VDD + 0.3	V
Input Current on any Pin	-100	100	mA

Table 3 Electrical absolute maximum ratings

ESD immunity is qualified according to JEDEC JESD22-A114 method (Human Body Model at $\pm 4\text{kV}$), JEDEC JESD22-A115 method (Machine Model $\pm 200\text{V}$) and ESDA ESD-STM5.3.1-1999 and AEC-Q100-011 (Charged Device Model, 750V corner pins, 500V other pins). Latch-up immunity is provided at a force current of $\pm 100\text{mA}$ with $T_{\text{amb}} = 125^\circ\text{C}$ according to JEDEC JESD78. For exposure beyond named limits the sensor needs additional protection circuit.

3.2 Input / Output Characteristics

The electrical characteristics such as power consumption, low and high level input and output voltages depend on the supply voltage. For proper communication with the sensor it is essential to make sure that signal design is strictly within the limits given in Table 4.

Parameter	min	typ	max	Units
Output Low Voltage, VOL		0		V
Output High Voltage, VOH		VDD		V
Output Sink Current, IOL			40	μA

Table 4 DC characteristics of output pad. VDD = 2.1 V to 3.6 V, T = -40°C to 125°C , unless otherwise noted.

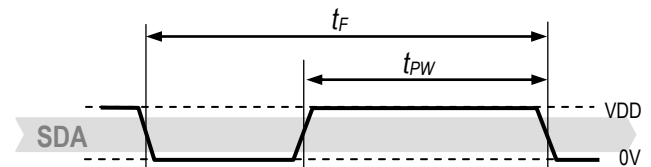
4 Communication with Sensor

4.1 Start up Sensor

As a first step, the sensor is powered up to VDD (between 2.1V and 3.6V). After power-up, the sensor needs at most 150ms for reaching idle state. During that time SDA is in undefined state. Then the sensor starts measuring and providing data on PWM bit-stream.

4.2 PWM Specification

Pulse Width Modulation runs on a constant frequency and the measured information is provided as duty cycle on that frequency – see Figure 10. Such information is measured humidity for SCL pulled high and temperature for SCL pulled low.

**Figure 10** PWM signal. Base frequency runs constantly at approximately 120 Hz, hence t_F is about 8.3ms. The signal is provided on t_{PW} as a ratio of t_F .

The measured data – either humidity or temperature – is provided as ratio of t_{PW} and t_F . t_{PW} shall always be given as ratio of t_F to make it independent of variations of the base frequency.

5 Conversion of Signal Output

Resolution is set to 10 bit relative humidity and 12 bit temperature reading and cannot be changed. The sensor reading is linear and hence it can be converted to a physical value by an easy linear equation.

5.1 Relative Humidity Conversion

With the relative humidity signal output the relative humidity RH is obtained by the following formula (result in %RH):

$$RH = -6 + 125 \cdot \frac{t_{PW}}{t_F}$$

The physical value RH given above corresponds to the relative humidity above liquid water according to World Meteorological Organization (WMO). For relative humidity values above ice RH_i the values need to be transformed as from relative humidity above water RH_w at a certain temperature t follows – compare also Application Note “Introduction to Humidity”:

$$RH_i = RH_w \cdot \exp\left(\frac{\beta_w \cdot t}{\lambda_w + t}\right) / \exp\left(\frac{\beta_i \cdot t}{\lambda_i + t}\right)$$

Units are %RH for relative humidity and $^\circ\text{C}$ for temperature. The corresponding coefficients are defined as follows: $\beta_w = 17.62$, $\lambda_w = 243.12^\circ\text{C}$, $\beta_i = 22.46$, $\lambda_i = 272.62^\circ\text{C}$.

5.2 Temperature Conversion

The temperature T is calculated by inserting the ratio of t_{PW} and t_F into the following formula (result in $^\circ\text{C}$):

$$T = -46.85 + 175.72 \cdot \frac{t_{PW}}{t_F}$$

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 Description: Humidity & Temperature Sensor
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 Date of Delivery: DD.MM.YYYY
 Order Code: 46CCCC / 0

Figure 13: Second label on reel: For Device Type and Part Order Number (See Packaging Information on page 2), Delivery Date (also Date Code) is date of packaging of sensors (DD = day, MM = month, YYYY = year), CCCC = Sensirion order number.

7.4 Shipping Package

SHT2x are provided in tape & reel shipment packaging, sealed into antistatic ESD bags. For SHT21P standard packaging sizes are 400, 1500 and 5000 units per reel. Each reel contains 440mm (55 pockets) header tape and 200mm (25 pockets) trailer tape.

The drawing of the packaging tapes with sensor orientation is shown in Figure 13. The reels are provided in sealed antistatic bags.

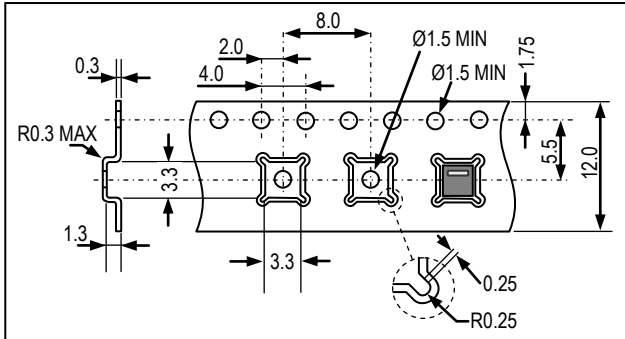


Figure 14 Sketch of packaging tape and sensor orientation. Header tape is to the right and trailer tape to the left on this sketch.

Revision History

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December 2011	3	1, 7	Minor text adaptations and corrections.
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Warning, Personal Injury

Important Notices

Do not use this product as safety or emergency stop devices or in any other application where failure of the product could result in personal injury. Do not use this product for applications other than its intended and authorized use. Before installing, handling, using or servicing this product, please consult the data sheet and application notes. Failure to comply with these instructions could result in death or serious injury.

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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 customary and statutory ESD precautions when handling this product.

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

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