

Functional safety base failure rate

For SHT4xA Sensors

This report lists the base failure rates (FITs) of the Sensirion Humidity and Temperature SHT4xA sensors. The overall component FIT is made up of the die and the package failure rate $\lambda_{SHT4xA} = \lambda_{die} + \lambda_{package}$ and is calculated using industry recommended standards:

Die failure rate	Siemens SN29500-2 : 2010-09 standard for integrated circuits
Package failure rate	Reliability data handbook IEC TR 62380 : 2004

The failure rate is directly dependent on the reference conditions and the mission profile of the application. A list of failure rates for two different mission profiles is shown in the table below¹. The sensor configuration used for this calculation is as follows:

- Wettable flanks/non-wettable flanks (no significant influence)
- Heater off/on (no significant influence)
- Die pad unsoldered
- I²C communication

Reference conditions

- Operating time > 3000hrs
- Operating voltage U_{op} = 5V
- Current under operating voltage I_{op} = 25uA
- Operating Mode: continuous duty cycle under steady stress

Mission profile phases

- 1. 2 night starts
- 2. 4 daylight starts
- 3. 30 days/year non-used vehicle

Base FITs for passenger compartment

Mean ambient temperature: 35°C

T [°C]	distribution	
27	10%	
30	80%	
85	10%	

Base Failure Rates:

$$\begin{split} &\lambda_{Sensor} = 17.045 \\ &\lambda_{die} = 15.75 \\ &\lambda_{package} = 1.295 \end{split}$$

Base FITs for motor control

Mean ambient temperature: 60°C

T [°C]	distribution
32	34%
60	26%
85	40%

Base Failure Rates:

$$\begin{split} &\lambda_{Sensor} = 45.890 \\ &\lambda_{die} = 43.8 \\ &\lambda_{package} = 2.089 \end{split}$$

¹ For possible calculation for other mission profiles, please contact Sensirion directly.



Revision History

Date	Revision	Pages	Changes
February 2024	1.0	All	Initial release



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