

Broadband SiC based UV photodiode A = 0.5 mm² with VUV responsivity

GENERAL FEATURES

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Properties of the SGo₃Ro₅-18 UV photodiode

- Broadband UVA+UVB+UVC, enhanced VUV responsivity
- Usable for 185nm (Hg low pressure lamp) or 172nm (excimer) detection
- Active Area A = 0.5 mm² (circular active area)
- TO18 hermetically sealed metal housing with sapphire glass window
- 10 mW/cm² peak radiation results a current of approx. 8 μA

About the sglux Silicon Carbide (SiC) SGo3 series

The difference between the sglux standard SGo1 series and the SGo3 series is the production method of the pn junction. The standard SGo1 series works with vapor phase epitaxy generated pn junction. The SGo3 series uses an ion implantation process. This process allows to position the depletion zone closer to the chip surface which leads to an improved spectral responsivity for wavelengths lower than 200nm. Accordingly, the SGo3-series SiC photodiodes can be applied for measurement of 185nm UV radiation used for grease and odor reduction in canteen kitchens, TOC (total organic carbon) reduction (water treatment). Also UV irradiance generated by 172nm excimer sources as used for UV curing and matting of coatings can be detected. The photodiodes are available with five different active chip areas from 0.1 mm² up to 8 mm². By default, the photodiode is sensitive from VUV to UVA. Photodiodes with customized optical filters (e.g. 185nm Hg low pressure lamp measurement while being blind for 254nm) are available on request. Please contact us for details.

NOMENCLATURE

SG03		
Ro1, Ro5, R10 R20, R80	nothing, customized	5, 5 \$090, 18
Chip area	Spectral response	Housing
R01 0.1 mm ²	nothing = broadband $\lambda_{max} = 280 \text{ nm}$ $\lambda_{S10\%} = 170 \text{ nm} \dots 355 \text{ nm}$	5 2-pin TO5 housing, h = 4.3 mm for broadband responsivity; h = 6.7 mm for photodiodes with optical filter
Ro5 o.5 mm ²		5ISO90 3-pin TO5 housing, h = 4.2 mm, 2 pins isolated, 1 pin grounded
R10 1.0 mm ²	We are happy to tailor the spectral response according to individual customer requirements. Please contact us.	18 2-pin TO18 housing, h = 3.65 mm, 1 pin isolated, 1 pin grounded
R20 2.0 mm ²		
R80 8.0 mm ²		



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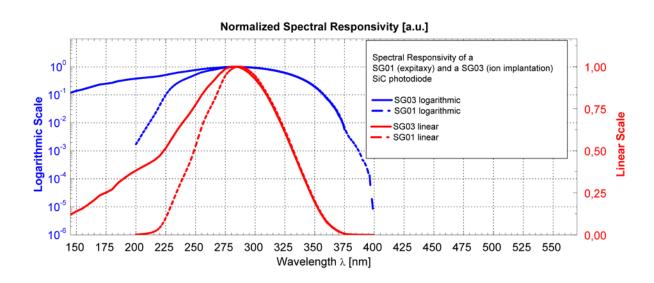
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SPECIFICATIONS

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Unit
Spectral Characteristics			
Typical Responsivity at Peak Wavelength	S_{max}	0.160	AW ⁻¹
Wavelength of max. Spectral Responsivity	λ_{max}	280	nm
Responsivity Range ($S=0.1*S_{max}$)	-	170 355	nm
Visible Blindness $(S_{max}/S_{>405nm})$	VB	> 10 ⁵	-
General Characteristics (T=25°C)			
Active Area	Α	0.5	mm²
Dark Current (1V reverse bias)	I_d	0.2	fA
Capacitance	С	75	pF
Short Circuit (10 mW/cm² at peak)	lo	8	μΑ
Temperature Coefficient	T _c	< 0.1	%/K
Maximum Ratings			
Operating Temperature	T_{opt}	−55 +170	°C
Storage Temperature	T_{stor}	−55 +170	°C
Soldering Temperature (3s)	T_{sold}	260	°C
Reverse Voltage	V_{Rmax}	20	V

NORMALIZED SPECTRAL RESPONSIVITY

The below graph compares the SR of the standard SGo1 series with the SR of the SGo3 series

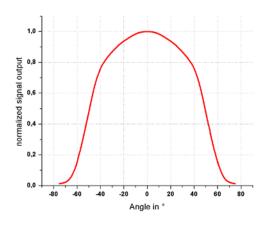




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FIELD OF VIEW

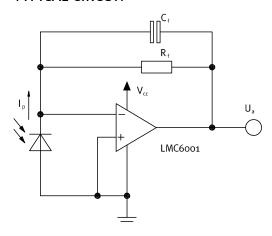


Measurement Setup:

lamp aperture diameter: 10 mm distance lamp aperture to second aperture: 17 mm second aperture diameter: 10 mm distance second aperture to detector: 93 mm

pivot level = top surface of the photodiode window

TYPICAL CIRCUIT



Calculations and Limits:

$$U_a = \ I_p x \ R_f = \ o \ ... \ \sim \ V_{cc}$$

 $U_{a,max}$ depends on load and amplifier type

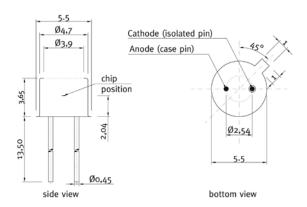
 $R_f = 10k\Omega ... \sim 10G\Omega$, $C_f \ge 3pF$ Recommendation: $R_f \times C_f \ge 10^{-3} s$ $I_{p,max} = U_{a,max} \div R_f$

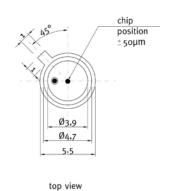
Bandwidth = DC ... $\frac{1}{2\pi \times R_f \times C_f}$

Example

 I_p = 20nA, R_f =100MΩ, C_f =100 pF U_a = 20 x 10⁹A x 100 x 10⁶Ω = 2V

DRAWINGS







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APPLICATION NOTE FOR PHOTODIODES

For correct reading of the photodiode the current (and NOT the voltage) must be analyzed. This requires a short circuiting of the photodiode. Usual approaches are using a **Picoamperemeter** or a **transimpedance signal transducer** circuit as shown on page 3.

UPGRADE TO A TOCON OR A PROBE



TOCONs = UV sensors with integrated signal transducer

- SiC based UV hybrid detector with signal transducer (o-5V output), no additional amplifier needed, direct connection to controller, voltmeter, etc.
- Measures irradiance from 1.8 pW/cm² up to 18 W/cm²
- UV broadband, UVA, UVB, UVC or Erythema measurements



Miniature housing with M12x1 thread for the TOCON series

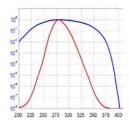
- Optional feature for all TOCON detectors
- Robust stainless steel M12x1 thread body, supply voltage 7...24 V
- Integrated sensor connector (Binder 4-Pin plug) with 2m connector cable
- Easy to mount and connect, increased EMC safety



UV probes

- Different housings e.g. with cosine response or water pressure proof
- Different electronic outputs configurable (voltage, current, USB, CAN, MODbus)
- Good EMC safety for industrial applications

CALIBRATION SERVICE



- PTB traceable calibrations and measurements:
- Calibration of sensors for irradiance measurements
- Calibration of UV sensors on discrete wavelengths
- Determination of a specific spectral sensor responsivity