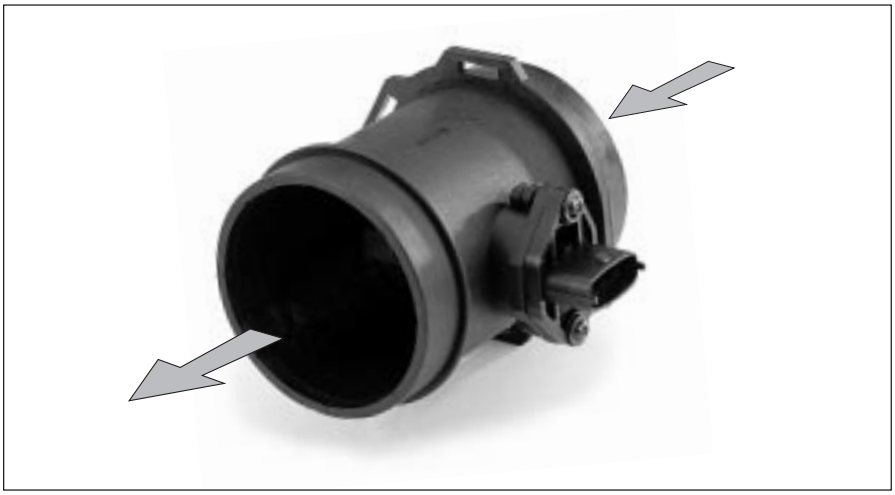
Hot-film air-mass meter, Type HFM 5

Measurement of air-mass throughflow up to 1000 kg/h

Q_m/U

- Compact design.
- Low weight.
- Rapid response.
- Low power input.
- Return-flow detection.



Application
In order to comply with the vehicle emission limits demanded by law, it is necessary to maintain a given air/fuel ratio exactly.
This requires sensors which precisely register the actual air-mass flow and output a corresponding electrical signal to the open and closed-loop control electronics.

Design
The micromechanical sensor element is located in the plug-in sensor's flow passage. This plug-in sensor is suitable for incorporating in the air filter or, using a measurement venturi, in the air-intake passages. There are different sizes of measurement venturi available depending upon the air throughflow. The micromechanical measuring system uses a hybrid circuit, and by evaluating the measuring data is able to detect when return flow takes place during air-flow pulsation.

Operating principle
The heated sensor element in the air-mass meter dissipates heat to the incoming air. The higher the air flow, the more heat is dissipated. The resulting temperature differential is a measure for the air mass flowing past the sensor.
An electronic hybrid circuit evaluates this measuring data so that the air-flow quantity can be measured precisely, and its direction of flow.
Only part of the air-mass flow is registered by the sensor element. The total air mass flowing through the measuring tube is determined by means of calibration, known as the characteristic-curve definition.

Technical data / range

Nominal supply voltage U_N	14 V
Supply-voltage range U_V	8...17 V
Output voltage U_A	0...5 V
Input current I_V	< 0.1 A
Permissible vibration acceleration	≤ 150 ms^{-2}
Time constant τ_{63} [1])	≤ 15 ms
Time constant τ_Δ [2])	≤ 30 ms
Temperature range	–40...+120 °C [3])

Part number	**0 280 217 123**	**0 280 218 019**	**0 280 217 531**	**0 280 218 008**	**0 281 002 421**
Measuring range Q_m	8...370 kg/h	10...480 kg/h	12...640 kg/h	12...850 kg/h	15...1000 kg/h
Accuracy [4])	≤ 3%	≤ 3%	≤ 3%	≤ 3%	≤ 3%
Fitting length L_E	22 mm	22 mm	22 mm	16 mm	22 mm
Fitting length L_A	20 mm	20 mm	20 mm	16 mm	20 mm
Installation length L	96 mm	96 mm	130 mm	100 mm	130 mm
Connection diam. D	60 mm	70 mm	80 mm	86/84 mm [6])	92 mm
Venturi ID	50 mm	62 mm	71 mm	78 mm	82 mm
Pressure drop at nominal air mass [5])	< 20 hPa	< 15 hPa	< 15 hPa	< 15 hPa	< 15 hPa
Temperature sensor	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Version	1	2	3	4	5

[1]) In case of sudden increase of the air-mass flow from 10 kg · h^{-1} auf 0,7 $Q_{m\,nominal}$, time required to reach 63% of the final value of the air-mass signal.
[2]) Period of time in case of a throughflow jump of the air mass | $\Delta m/m$ | ≤ 5%.
[3]) For a short period up to +130 °C.
[4]) $|\Delta Q_m/Q_m|$: The measurement deviation ΔQ_m from the exact value, referred to the measured value Q_m.
[5]) Measured between input and output
[6]) Inflow/outflow end

Accessories for connector

Plug housing	Contact pins	Individual gaskets	For conductor cross-section
1 928 403 836	**1 987 280 103**	**1 987 280 106**	0.5...1 mm^2
	1 987 280 105	**1 987 280 107**	1.5...2.5 mm^2

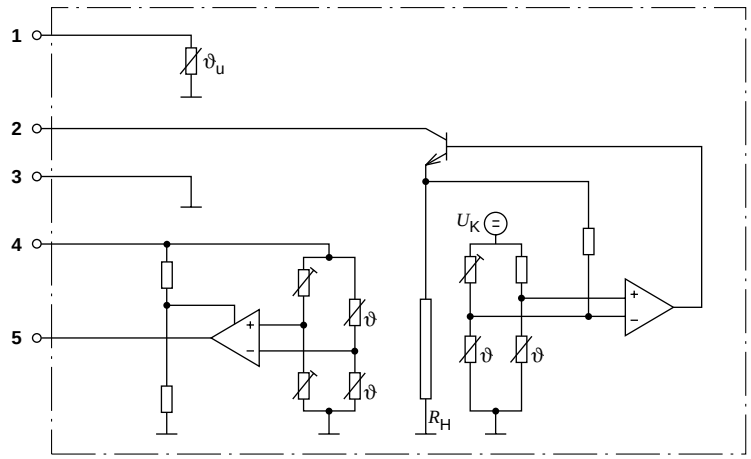
Note: Each 5-pole plug requires 1 plug housing, 5 contact pins, and 5 individual gaskets.
For automotive applications, original AMP crimping tools must be used.

Application
In internal-combustion engines, this sensor is used for measuring the air-mass flow so that the injected fuel quantity can be adapted to the presently required power, to the air pressure, and to the air temperature.

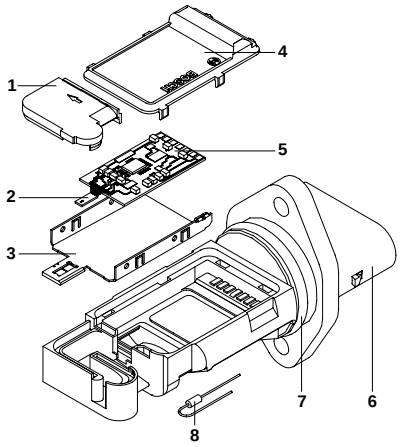
Explanation of symbols

Q_m	Air-mass flow rate
ΔQ_m	Absolute accuracy
$\Delta Q_m/Q_m$	Relative accuracy
τ_Δ	Time until measuring error is ≤ 5%
τ_{63}	Time until measured-value change 63%

Function diagram with connector-pin assignment.
1 Additional temperature sensor ϑ_u (not on version 4, Part number 0 280 218 008),
2 Supply voltage U_V, **3** Signal ground, **4** Reference voltage 5 V, **5** Measurement signal U_A.
ϑ Temperature-dependence of the resistor, R_H Heater resistor, U_K Constant voltage



HFM 5 plug-in sensor design.
1 Measuring-passage cover, **2** Sensor,
3 Mounting plate, **4** Hybrid-circuit cover,
5 Hybrid, **6** Plug-in sensor, **7** O-ring,
8 Auxiliary temperature sensor.



Output voltage U_A = f(Q_m) of the air-mass meter

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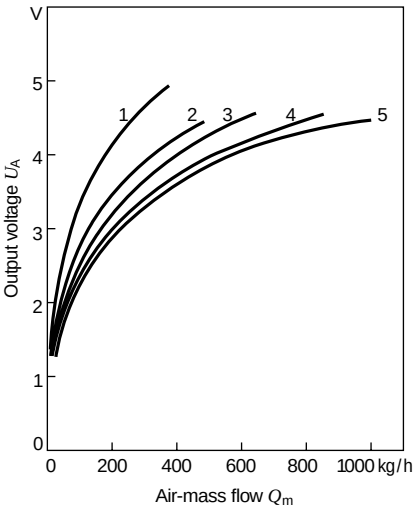
Characteristic curve	1	2	3	4	5
Q_m/kg/h	U_A/V	U_A/V	U_A/V	U_A/V	U_A/V
8	1.4837	1.2390	–	–	–
10	1.5819	1.3644	1.2695	–	–
15	1.7898	1.5241	1.4060	1.3395	1.2315
30	2.2739	1.8748	1.7100	1.6251	1.4758
60	2.8868	2.3710	2.1563	2.0109	1.8310
120	3.6255	2.9998	2.7522	2.5564	2.3074
250	4.4727	3.7494	3.5070	3.2655	2.9212
370	4.9406	4.1695	3.9393	3.6717	3.2874
480	–	4.4578	4.2349	3.9490	3.5461
640	–	–	4.5669	4.2600	3.8432
850	–	–	–	4.5727	4.1499
1000	–	–	–	–	4.3312

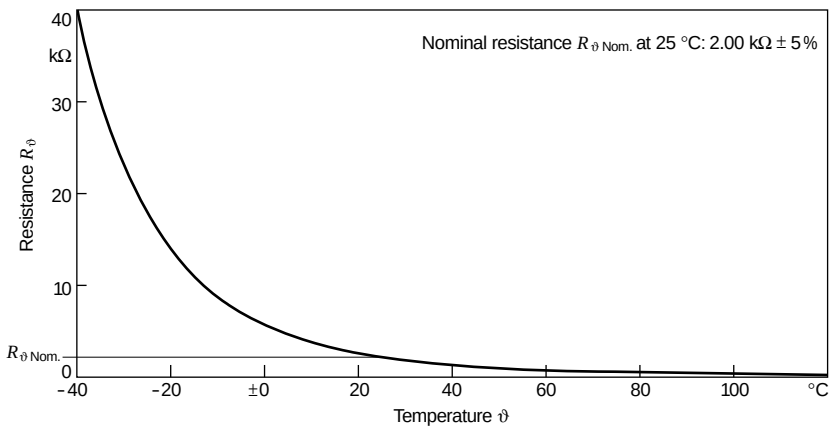
Air-mass meter output voltage.



Temperature-dependence R_ϑ = f(ϑ) of the temperature sensor

Temperature ϑ	°C	–40	–30	–20	–10	±0	10	20	30	40
Resistance R_ϑ	kΩ	39.26	22.96	13.85	8.609	5.499	3.604	2.420	1.662	1.166
Temperature ϑ	°C	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130
Resistance R_ϑ	Ω	835	609	452	340	261	202	159	127	102

Temperature-resistance diagram of the temperature sensor.



Dimensions overview of the HFM 5.
1 Plug-in sensor, **2** Throughflow direction,
3 Measurement venturi.