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Selection Guide

			Configuration					
Application		Type No	9P	8P	7P	5P		
Photometry	For Exposure Meters	SEL-9001						
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	General-Purpose Illuminometer	SEL-9004						
	For Low Exposure Alarm	SEL-9005						
	Low-Light Level Detection	SEL-9006						
	Counterlight-Level Detection	SEL-9007						
	Others	SEL-9203						
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Light Control	For Light Dimmers	SEL-8001						
	ABCC (Automatic Brightness and Contrast	SEL-8002						
	Control) for TV Set	SEL-8003						
	Auto-Dimmers for Digital Display Panel	SEL-8004						
	And Room Illumination	SEL-8003-1						
	Reflection Control for Automobile Mirror	SEL-8005						
	For Automatic Light Switch	SEL-8101						
	Street Lamp, Doorway Lamp, Garden Lamp	SEL-8102						
	Beacon. Nighttime Automobile	SEL-8103						
	Headlights	SEL-8104						
Detection	For Office Machines	SEL-7001						
	Paper and Card Reading	SEL-7002						
	Tape-End and Paper-Empty Detection	SEL-7003						
	Slack Detection For Paper Tape, Etc.	SEL-7004						
	For Heating Systems	SEL-7005						
	Flame Monitor for Oil Burner							
	Safety Device for Heating Systems and Boiler							
	Sun Sensor for Air Conditioner							
	For Photoelectric Relay							
	Intruder Alarm, Security System							
	Photoelectric Counter and Control							
	Electronic Toy Such as Beam Gun							
Audio	For Audio Equipment	SEL-5001						
	Non-Contact Volume Control	SEL-5002						
	Modulation Circuit	SEL-5003						
	Auto-Return System for Turntable	SEL-5004						
	For Melody Toys							
	Melody Greeting Card							
	Melody Tea Cup and Coffee Cup							
	Melody Candle, Etc.							
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Plastic Coated CdS Photocells 9P Series



	N	laximum Rating	IS	Characteristics E (at 25°C)						
Type No.	Applied Allowable		Ambient	Ce	II Resistanc	e A	с	Response Time at 10 luxD		
Type No.	Voltage at	Power	Temperature	10 lux (a	t 2856K)	0 luxB	100 ~ 10 lux	Rise Time	Fall Time	
	25°C (Vdc)	Dissipation at 25°C (mW)	Ta (°C)	Min. (KΩ)	Max. (KΩ)	Min. (MΩ)	Тур.	Typ. (ms)	Typ. (ms)	
9001	150	90	-30 ~ +75	4	11	0.3	0.65	60	25	
9002	150	90	-30 ~ +75	9	20	0.5	0.6	60	25	
9002-1	150	90	-30 ~ +75	11	27	0.5	0.7	60	25	
9003	150	90	-30 ~ +75	16	33	1	0.8	60	25	
9003-1	150	90	-30 ~ +75	23	33	1	0.85	60	25	
9004	150	90	-30 ~ +75	27	60	2	0.85	60	25	
9005	150	90	-30 ~ +75	50	94	2.5	0.9	60	25	
9005-1	150	90	-30 ~ +75	48	140	20	0.9	60	25	
9006	150	90	-30 ~ +75	80	200	5	1	60	25	
9007	150	90	-30 ~ +75	10	100	1	0.8	60	25	
9008	150	90	-30 ~ +75	10	200	20	0.85	60	25	
9103	150	90	-30 ~ +75	20	45	1	0.8	60	25	
9200	150	90	-30 ~ +75	10	50	5	0.9	70	15	
9203	150	90	-30 ~ +75	5	20	10	0.9	70	15	

A. Measured with the light source of a tungsten lamp operated at color temperature of 2856K.

B. Measured 10 seconds after removal of incident illuminance of 10 lux.

C. Gamma characteristic between 10 lux and 100 lux and given by

log(R100) - log(R10) log(E100) - log(E10)

Where R100, R10: cell resistances at 100 lux and 10 lux respectively E100, E10: illuminances of 100 lux and 10 lux respectively D. The rise time is the time required for the cell conductance to rise to 63% of the saturated level. The fall time is the time required for the cell conductance to fall from the saturated level to 37%.

E. All characteristics are measured with the light history conditions: The CdS cell is exposed to light (100 to 500 lux) for one to two hours.

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Plastic Coated CdS Photocells 8P Series



	N	laximum Rating	IS	Characteristics E (at 25°C)					
Type No.	Applied	Allowable	Ambient	Ce	ll Resistanc	e A	С	Response Time at 10 luxD	
Type No.	Voltage at	Power	Temperature	10 lux (a	t 2856K)	0 luxB	100 ~ 10 lux	Rise Time	Fall Time
	25°C (Vdc)	Dissipation at 25°C (mW)	Ta (°C)	Min. (KΩ)	Max. (KΩ)	Min. (MΩ)	Тур.	Typ. (ms)	Typ. (ms)
8001	150	100	-30 ~ +75	3	11	0.2	0.6	50	20
8002	150	100	-30 ~ +75	8	24	0.5	0.65	50	20
8003	150	100	-30 ~ +75	16	33	0.5	0.7	55	20
8004	150	100	-30 ~ +75	20	60	0.5	0.75	55	20
8005	150	100	-30 ~ +75	40	120	1	0.8	60	25
8006	150	100	-30 ~ +75	80	240	5	0.85	60	25
8101	150	100	-30 ~ +75	4	11	0.15	0.65	55	20
8102	150	100	-30 ~ +75	9	20	0.3	0.7	60	25
8103	150	100	-30 ~ +75	16	33	0.5	0.75	60	25
8104	150	100	-30 ~ +75	27	60	2	0.8	60	25
8105	150	90	-30 ~ +75	50	94	2.5	0.85	60	25
8106	150	90	-30 ~ +75	50	140	20	0.9	60	25
8107	150	90	-30 ~ +75	80	240	20	0.9	60	25

A. Measured with the light source of a tungsten lamp operated at color temperature of 2856K.

B. Measured 10 seconds after removal of incident illuminance of 10 lux.

C. Gamma characteristic between 10 lux and 100 lux and given by

 $\frac{\log(R100) - \log(R10)}{\log(E100) - \log(E10)}$

Where R100, R10: cell resistances at 100 lux and 10 lux respectively E100, E10: illuminances of 100 lux and 10 lux respectively D. The rise time is the time required for the cell conductance to rise to 63% of the saturated level. The fall time is the time required for the cell conductance to fall from the saturated level to 37%.

E. All characteristics are measured with the light history conditions: The CdS cell is exposed to light (100 to 500 lux) for one to two hours.

Plastic Coated CdS Photocells 7P & 5P Series











Maximum Ratings			Characteristics E (at 25°C)							
Type No.	Applied	Allowable	Ambient	Cell Resistance A			С	Response Time at 10 lux		
	Voltage at 25°C (Vdc)	Power Dissipation at 25°C (mW)	Temperature Ta (°C)	10 iux (a Min. (KΩ)	t 2856K) Max. (KΩ)	0 luxB Min. (MΩ)	100 ~ 10 lux Typ.		Rise Time Typ. (ms)	Fall Time Typ. (ms)
7001	200	150	-30 ~ +75	3	11	0.3	0.6	50	20	
7002	200	150	-30 ~ +75	4	20	0.5	0.65	55	20	
7003	200	150	-30 ~ +75	8	24	0.5	0.7	55	20	
7004	200	150	-30 ~ +75	15	60	0.5	0.7	60	25	
7005	200	150	-30 ~ +75	50	150	20	0.85	60	25	
5001	200	150	-30 ~ +75	8	16	0.3	0.6	55	25	

5001	200	150	-30 ~ +75	8	16	0.3	0.6	55	25
5002	200	150	-30 ~ +75	12	30	0.5	0.75	55	25
5003	200	150	-30 ~ +75	12	58	1	0.75	55	25

A. Measured with the light source of a tungsten lamp operated at color temperature of 2856K.

B. Measured 10 seconds after removal of incident illuminance of 10 lux.

C. Gamma characteristic between 10 lux and 100 lux and given by

log(R100) - log(R10) log(E100) - log(E10)

Where R100, R10: cell resistances at 100 lux and 10 lux respectively E100, E10: illuminances of 100 lux and 10 lux respectively D. The rise time is the time required for the cell conductance to rise to 63% of the saturated level. The fall time is the time required for the cell conductance to fall from the saturated level to 37%.

E. All characteristics are measured with the light history conditions: The CdS cell is exposed to light (100 to 500 lux) for one to two hours.

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Construction and Characteristics of CdS Cells

Photosensitive devices can be divided into photovoltaic devices and photoemissive devices. CdS cells are a type of photoconductive device. They are semiconductor sensors that utilize the photoconductive surface that reduce the resistance. A voltage is applied to both ends of a CdS cell. The change in resistance due to light is output as a current change signal. Despite the small size, the output current per photoconductive surface area is large enough to drive relays directly. For this reason, CdS cells are used in a wide variety of applications.

The following information explains briefly the basic operating principles, fabrication, and structure of CdS cells.

PHOTOCONDUCTIVE EFFECT

Figure 1 is a schematic diagram of a CdS cell and its operation circuit. An electrode is set at each end of the photoconductor. In darkness, the photoconductor resistance is very high. When a voltage is applied, the ammeter shows only a small dark current. This is the CdS photoconductor's characteristic thermal equilibrium current. When light is incident on this photoconductor, a current \triangle I flows. **Figure 2** shows the current that flows when the amount of light is increased.

Figure 1: CdS Cell Schematic Diagram and Operation Circuit







Here are the basic principles of the photoconductive effect.

- (I) Directly beneath the conduction band of the CdS crystal is a donor level and there is an acceptor level before the valence band. In darkness, the electrons and holes in each level are almost crammed in place in the crystal and the photoconductor is at high resistance.
- (II) When light illuminates the CdS crystal and is absorbed by the crystal, the electrons in the valence band are excited into the conduction band. This creates pairs of free holes in the valence band and free electrons in the conduction band, increasing the conductance.
- (III) Furthermore, near the valence band is a separate acceptor level that can capture free electrons only with difficulty, but captures free holes easily. This lowers the recombination probability of the electrons and holes, therefore increasing the number for electrons in the conduction band for N-type conductance.

The increase in conductance in (II) requires that the light energy be greater than the band gap Eg. For Cds with a band gap 2.41 eV, the absorption edge wavelength λ is $\lambda = c/v = hc/E_{Ph} = 1240/Eg \sim 515(nm)$.

Where:

 E_{ph} : photon energy (hv)

- h: Planck's constant
- v: light frequency
- c: speed of light

The CdS crystal absorbs light with a wavelength shorter than 15nm transmitted. Therefore, the photoconductor's absorption edge wavelength determines the spectral response characteristic on the long wavelength side. In the actual spectral response characteristic shown in **Figure 3**, the sensitivity of CdS drops at wavelengths shorter than 515nm. This is because at short wavelengths the light is absorbed near the surface of the crystal, increasing the local charge density and inducing electron-hole recombination. Also, there are lattice defects at the crystal surface, which promote the recombination.

Figure 3: Spectral Response Characteristics for CdS and other Photoconductors



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Until the carries generated in (II) and (III) recombine, electrons are injected from one electrode and pulled out by the other.

When these carries last longer and they move more, the conductance increases greatly. The conductance $\triangle p$ is given by the following equation:

$$\triangle p = ef(\mu n \tau n + \mu p \tau p)$$

Where μ n, μ p: free electron, free hole movement (cm/V • sec)

 τ n, τ n: free electron, free hole life (sec)

f: number of generated carriers per second per cubic volume

For a CdS cell, μ n τ n $>> \mu$ p τ p and conductance by free holes can be ignored. Then it becomes an N type semiconductor. Thus,

$$\triangle p = ef \bullet \mu n \tau n$$

Here, the gain G is defined as how many electrons flow between the electrodes due to excitation by one photon in the CdS photoconductor (until the carrier lifespan is over).

$$G = \tau n/t_t$$

Where t: transit time between electrodes = 12/V μ n

I: distance between electrodes

V: voltage applied

Therefore,

$$G = \mu n \tau nV/1^2$$

For example, μ n = 300 cm2/V • sec, τ n = 10-3 sec, 1 = 0.2mm, and 1.2V, then the gain is 900. This means that there is multiplication in the CdS photoconductor and that the CdS is highly sensitive.

The sensitivity of CdS is the change in resistance, i.e., the change in current in response to change in light. As **Figure 1** shows, if the distance between the electrodes is 1 the cross-sectional area of the photoconductor is S, and the voltage applied is V, then from Ohm's law:

$$\triangle I \propto \triangle p \bullet S \bullet V/1 = \triangle p \bullet t \bullet V/1$$

If the conductance $\triangle p$ and the photoconductor thickness t are held constant, then:

$$\triangle I \propto d/1 \rightarrow resistance \triangle R \propto 1/d$$

This 1/d is an important factor in designing the electrode configuration. In other words, the shorter the distance between the electrodes and the greater the electrode length, the higher the sensitivity and the lower the cell resistance. Thus, the electrode patterns for high-sensitivity CdS cells consist of many zig-zags.

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CdS cells can be separated by the manufacturing process of the photoconductive layer into three types.

These types are the sintered type, the single crystal type and the evaporated type. We use the sintered film fabrication method because it offers high sensitivity areas, a large mass production effect and relatively superior production profitability.

The process for making sintered CdS cell Impurities and a fusing agent for encouraging crystal growth are added to highly pure CdS crystal powder and this mixture is dissolved in water. The resulting solution is applied to CdS ceramic substrate and dried, then it is sintered in a high-temperature oven to form multiple crystals. In this way, a thick layer with the photoconductive effect is formed.

Lead terminals are introduced to the CdS substrate and the CdS is packaged (Figure 4 and Photo 1 shows an example of the structure of a plastic coated CdS cell).





Photo 1: Examples of CdS Cell Configurations



CHARACTERISTICS

In the selection of a suitable CdS cell, the characteristics required by the functions of the circuit in which the CdS cell is to be used are important. There are analog uses such as light measurement and digital uses such as on-off switching. Use in digital circuits such as switching requires a fast response and a high ratio between illuminated resistance and dark resistance. The sensitivity of the slope of resistance vs. illuminance (gamma) and the spectral response are important for measurement of brightness with devices such as illumination and exposure meters. Therefore, understanding the various characteristics of CdS cell presented below is important for selecting the right CdS cell for your application.

MAXIMUM RATINGS

The maximum ratings given are absolute maximum ratings. This means that these are the values which are not to be exceeded even momentarily. Values above the maximum rating may break down the CdS cell and lower it's performance. Take adequate care in circuit design to avoid exceeding the maximum ratings.

Allowable Power Dissipation

Allowable power dissipation is the limiting value of power consumption of a CdS cell when it is operated in a circuit. If a CdS cell is operated under conditions that cause the allowable power dissipation to be exceeded, deterioration of performance is hastened and the photoconductive surface can be damaged or broken down. This parameter must be held within the ratings in the same manner as are the applied voltage and ambient temperature. Allowable power dissipation applies to total illumination of the photoconductive surface of a CdS cell. When only part of the surface is used, the allowable power dissipation must be reduced in proportion to the illuminated surface area.

The allowable power dissipation figures in this catalog are for a temperature of 25°C. When these CdS cells are used at higher ambient temperature, the power consumption must be reduced, as the derating shown in **Figure 5**. This point must be taken into consideration as well.

Ambient Temperature Range

Unless otherwise specified, the maximum rated ambient temperature range is for CdS cell operation and storage. Operating or storing a CdS cell outside of this temperature range reduces its performance. Never keep or operate CdS cells at temperature exceeding the maximum rating. It is suggested to keep CdS cells at a normal room temperature and humidity before using them.



Figure 5: Allowable Power Dissipation vs. Ambient

Even within the ambient temperature range, the cell resistance, response, and other characteristics vary somewhat with the temperature, take this into consideration.

Applied Voltage

The maximum applied voltage is the voltage that can be applied between two terminals of a CdS cell. When the CdS cell resistance is at its maximum (the equilibrium dark resistance in total darkness), the voltage that can be applied between the CdS cell terminals is also at its maximum. Never let the applied voltage exceed the maximum rating. If the power consumption increases during CdS cell operation, the rating of allowable power dissipation should take precedence over the applied voltage rating.

SENSITIVITY

Spectral Response Characteristic

The relative sensitivity of a CdS cell is dependent on the wavelength of the incident light. The sensitivity as a function of wavelength is called the spectral response characteristic. Fundamentally, the maximum sensitivity wavelength (or peak wavelength) for CdS cell is 515nm. By controlling the composition ratio of CdS to CdSe, the maximum sensitivity can be optimized at a wavelength between 515 and 730nm. Photoconductive cells with spectral response close to that of the human eye are available. **Figure 6** shows these relationships. CdS, Cd (S.Se), and CdSe cells are often called "CdS cells".

By using a CdS cell with a spectral response similar to the human eye, it can be widely and easily be used in applications as sensors substituting for the human eye.





Expressing Sensitivity

The sensitivity of light sensors expresses the relation between the intensity of the light impinging on the sensitive surface and the resulting output signal. If voltage V is applied across a CdS cell and illuminance E (lux) is shown on it, and signal current IL flow, then:

$$I_L = K \bullet V^{\alpha} E^{\gamma}$$

Where K is a constant, α is the voltage index for signal current and can be treated as just about 1. Υ (gamma) is also called the illuminance index for signal current and shows the slope of the signal current vs. illuminance characteristic.

As the above equation shows, the sensitivity can be expressed as the value of the signal current with respect to the incident illuminance, but usually, rather than expressed in the signal current, the sensitivity is expressed in the cell resistance.

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Lux is unit of illuminance, equal to the illuminance on a surface 1 square meter in area on which there is a luminous flux of 1 lumen uniformly distributed. The illuminance is proportional to the square of the distance from the light source. The illuminance E (lux) at a distance D meters from a point light source of luminous intensity I (cd) is obtained from the equation:

$$E(lux) = \frac{I}{D^2}$$

This is based on the standard luminous efficiency, so these are light measurement units for the visible region only.

Table 1: Illuminance Co	nversion Table
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Conversion value	Foot-cadle (Ft-C)	Lux	Photo
Foot-Cadle (Ft-C)	1	0.0929	929
Lux = 1 m/m ²	10.76	1	10.000
Photo	0.00108	0.0001	1

1 foot-0candle

$$E = I/D^{2} = 1cd/0.3048^{2} = 10.764$$
 (lux)
(1 foot = 0.3048 meter)

The lux is a light measurement unit based on the standard luminous efficiency. Light sensors with spectral response characteristics which are shifted from the standard luminous efficiency show different output signals if the radiant spectral distribution (color temperature) of the light source is different, even if the illuminance is the same. Therefore, when using light sources for light measurement, the radiant spectral distribution characteristic must be specified.

A tungsten lamp with a color temperature of 2856K is used as the standard light source. The color temperature of the tungsten lamp is expressed as the absolute temperature of a black body (a platinum black body furnace). This color temperature is approximately proportional in the visible region to the spectral radiant distribution of the lamp.

Figure 7: Spectral Energy Distribution for 2856K Black Body



ILLUMINANCE VS. RESISTANCE

Figure 8 gives a typical example of graphing the CdS cell resistance as a function of incident illuminance. The slope of this curve, Υ (gamma), varies with the cell type and is important for detecting analog-like light level differences. This is given by the tangent θ of a line connecting two points on the curve. If the illuminated resistances at illuminance Ea (lux) and Ed (lux) are Ra (Ω) and Rb (Ω), then Υ between a and b is expressed by the following equation:

$$\Upsilon_{b}^{a} = \tan\theta = \bigtriangleup I = \log Ia - \log Ib = \log(Ia/Ib) \log(Ea/Eb)$$

(Ia. Ib...the signal current when the CdS is illuminated)

$$= \triangle R = \log Ra - \log Rb = \log (Ra/Rb)$$
$$= \triangle E = \log Ea - \log Eb = \log (Ea/Eb)$$

Usually, Υ is expressed as Υ ¹⁰⁰/₁₀, the slope between the 100 lux and 10 lux. So the above equation becomes:

$$\Upsilon^{100/10} = \frac{\log(Ra/Rb)}{\log(Ea/Eb)} = \frac{\log(R_{100}/R_{10})}{\log(100/10)} = \log(R_{100}/R_{10})$$

From this relationship, the conversion equation is obtained

If the slope Υ^{a_b} and the illuminated resistance Rb are known, the illuminated resistance for any point between Ea and Eb can be obtained. This relationship gives the equation:

Ea = Eb x (Ra/Rb)
$$1/\Upsilon^{a_b}$$

Given the value of Υ^{a_b} and the illuminated resistance Rb at illuminance Eb, the illuminance Ea that will give a illuminated resistance of Ra can be obtained.

Figure 8: CdS Resistance vs. Illuminance Characteristic Example



SIGNAL CURRENT VS. APPLIED VOLTAGE

Figure 9 shows the signal current vs. applied voltage characteristic for different illuminance levels. This characteristic is nearly linear and holds for applied voltages down to 1V and consumption near the allowable power dissipation. The amount of heat generated by the CdS cell increases, causing a change in cell resistance. Linearity becomes lost, therefore take precautions in system designs.

Figure 9: Signal Current vs. Applied Voltage Characteristic Example



DARK RESISTANCE/DARK CURRENT

If a CdS cell is left in total darkness for 15 hours and the resistance is measured, the resistance value will be high. This is true dark resistance (equilibrium dark resistance). In practical applications, the CdS cell is used at various light levels. The previous light levels affect the dark resistance, which is called light history effect. Therefore, the dark resistance must be expressed specifying the time allowed after the incident light is removed. In this catalog, the dark resistance is measured 10 seconds after incident light of 10 lux has been cut off. This dark resistance measurement can also be viewed as expressing the response time (fall time) for CdS cells.

RESPONSE SPEED

CdS cells have a certain time delay in responding to incident light. This response speed is an important point in designing detection of rapidly changing light levels and on-off switches.

The response speed is usually expressed as the time required for the illuminated resistance to reach 63% of its saturation value after the cell is illuminated (rise time),

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and as the time required for the illuminated resistance to fall to 37% of its saturation value after the light is removed (fall time). The rise and fall times listed in this catalog are measured with repetitive intermittent light.

Figure 10: Rise Time and Fall Time





tr10, tr1: Rise Times at 10 ι x and 1 ι x td10, t1: Fall Times at 10 ι x and 1 ι x

The response speed varies considerably with the light level, the light history condition, the lad resistance, the ambient temperature, and other factors. The higher the incident light level, the faster the response speed. Also, cells kept in darkness exhibit slower response than cells kept at a brighter light level. This effect becomes more distinct as the cell is kept for longer periods at a dark light level. Also, the apparent rise time becomes faster with a larger load resistance, but the fall time shows the contrary effect.

LIGHT HISTORY EFFECT

As described before, the illuminated resistance, dark resistance, and response speed vary with the conditions to which the CdS cell has previously been exposed. This is called the light history effect. In particular, if the CdS cell has been kept in darkness or brightness prior to measurement, this results in a difference in illuminated resistance (i.e. sensitivity). This difference is called the light history error. In general, when a cell is kept in darkness for a long time, its illuminated resistance will be lower compared to a cell kept at a light level. This light history error indicates the initial change in the illuminated resistance from the previous condition of the saturation (recovery) region. This is different from the change in resistance when the CdS cell is kept in operation with the saturated illuminated resistance or 'drift'.

Under the conditions given in **Figure 11**, some cells may show light history errors as large as 50%. This is often seen in CdSe cells with a maximum sensitivity wavelength at near 730nm.



Because CdS cells have this light history effect, particularly when they are used at low illuminance levels (1 lux or less as a general guide), this phenomenon must be considered. In some cases, in order to reduce the light history effect, the CdS cell can be used after being exposed to light for several minutes. All the values listed in this catalog have been measured with the cell left exposed to 100 to 500 lux for 1 to 2 hours before measurement.

TEMPERATURE CHARACTERISTICS

The change in the cell resistance with ambient temperature depends on the light level. In general, the lower the illuminance, the greater the change in resistance with temperature change. Also, the slope of the temperature coefficient (positive or negative) depends on the composition and the fabrication method of the CdS cell.

Figure 12: Temperature Characteristic Examples



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OPERATING LIFE

Figure 13 illustrates the change in illuminated resistance (at 10 lux) of CdS cells with operating time, showing slightly increasing curves. If used within the maximum ratings specified in this catalog, the CdS cell recovers from this time change and maintains stable values for quite a long period. Exceeding the maximum ratings can cause deterioration or damage. If this is kept in mind, the life of CdS cells can be expected to be quite long.



Figure 13: Change In Illuminated Resistance vs. Operating Time

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The operating conditions and environment affect stability and reliability, please observe the following points concerning the use of CdS cells.

USAGE PRECAUTIONS

- Even within the maximum ratings, try to stay in the low region for power dissipation, applied voltage, and ambient temperature. Since this allowable power dissipation applies to total illumination of the sensitive surface, when only part of the sensitive surface is used, the allowable power consumption should be reduced in proportion to the surface that is being used.
- Use at high temperature and humidity shortens the cell life and should be avoided.
- Avoid usage that exposes the CdS cell to strong ultraviolet light.
- For low-light detection (1 lux or less for general CdS cells), characteristics are less stable.
- If the CdS cell is subject to strong vibration or shock, reinforce the cell itself and its leads.

HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

- Since the window is made of glass and plastic coating, avoid touching it, pressing it, and causing friction with hard or hot objects. This can cause deterioration of the optical and electrical characteristics of the plastic-coated CdS cells. There is no problem with normal handling by hand.
- Extreme bending or twisting of the lead at the root places stress on the lead root. Avoid this when forming the lead near the root, provide support for the lead root before bending the lead.
- Do not solder the leads with stress applied. Do not pull, twist, or compress the leads right after they have been soldered. Allow them to cool before changing the position or direction of the leads.
- When soldering, be careful about the soldering temperature and duration. CdS cells should be soldered at least 5mm down the lead from the cell package itself, with a solder iron no hotter than 260°C (for no longer than 5 seconds). Check the temperature of the tip of the soldering iron and use a soldering iron temperature controller if necessary.
- If these conditions cannot be observed, prevent the temperature rise from reaching the CdS cell (by using heatsink) or increase the distance of the soldering from the CdS cell itself.
- Avoid any chemicals that can corrode metal or cause deterioration of plastic. If there is a possibility of metal corrosion or deterioration of plastic, experiment ahead of time and carry out the operation in question only after confirming that it will not harm the CdS cell.
- When washing or cleaning with solvents, use a Freon solvent (Freon TF, Difron solvent S3-E, or a similar agent) or alcohol solvent (isopropyl alcohol, ethyl alcohol, or a similar agent). Ultrasound wave cleaning with these solvents depends greatly on the usage conditions, but the cleaning time should be no longer than 30 minutes. Avoid chloro-hydrocarbon and ketone solvents. They can cloud and dissolve the plastic parts of the CdS cell.

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Typical Application Circuits

