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## Introduction

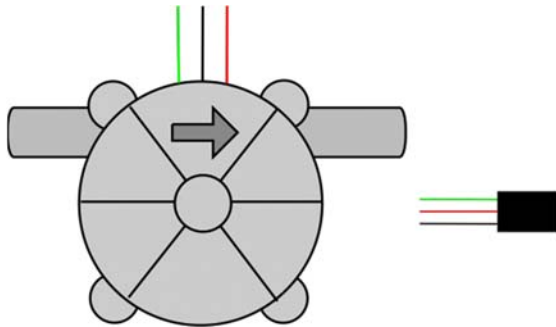
The Water Flow sensor measures the rate of a liquid flowing through it. The YF-S401 water flow sensor consists of a plastic valve body, flow rotor and hall effect sensor. It is usually used at the inlet end to detect the amount of flow. When liquid flows through the sensor, a magnetic rotor will rotate and the rate of rotation will vary with the rate of flow. The hall effect sensor will then output a pulse width signal. Connect it to a microcontroller and you can monitor multiple devices such as your coffee maker, sprinkler or anything else, and control the water flow rate to suit your needs!

- A 6 mm hose is recommended
- Avoid unit contact with corrosive chemicals
- The unit must be installed vertically, tilted no more than 5 degrees
- Liquid temperature should be less than 120 C to avoid damage to unit

## Specification

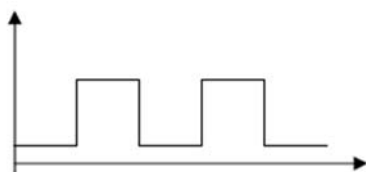
- Inner Diameter: 4 mm
- Outside diameter: 7 mm
- Proof Water Pressure: <math><0.8\text{ MPa}</math>
- Water Flow Range: 0.3-6 L/min
- Voltage Range: 5~12 V
- Operating Current: 15 mA (DC 5V)
- Insulation Resistance: >100 M $\Omega$
- Accuracy:  $\pm 5\%$  (0.3-3L/min)
- The Output Pulse High Level: >4.5 VDC (DC input voltage 5 V)
- The Output Pulse Low Level: <0.5 VDC (DC input voltage 5 V)
- Output Pulse Duty Ratio: 50%  $\pm$  10%
- Water-flow Formula: 1L = 5880 square waves
- Working Humidity Range: 35% ~ 90% RH (no frost)
- Dimension: 58\*35\*26 mm/2.28\*1.37\*1.02 inches
- Weight: 30g

## Board Overview



Number	Color	Name	Description
1	Green	Signal	Pulse Signal
2	Red	VCC	5~12V
3	Black	GND	GND

## Pulse Signal



Duty Cy=40%~60%

## Tutorial

In this Tutorial, we'll measure liquid flow using this sensor.

## Requirements

### Hardware

DFRduino UNO R3

Water flow sensor

Jumper Wires

### Software

Arduino IDE, [Click to Download Arduino IDE from Arduino®](https://www.arduino.cc/en/Main/Software)  
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## Connection Diagram

