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Introduction

The **Water Flow sensor** (<https://www.dfrobot.com/product-1517.html>) measures the rate of a liquid flowing through it. The YF-S201 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 arduino microcontroller (<https://www.dfrobot.com/category-104.html>) 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 20 mm rifled pipe 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

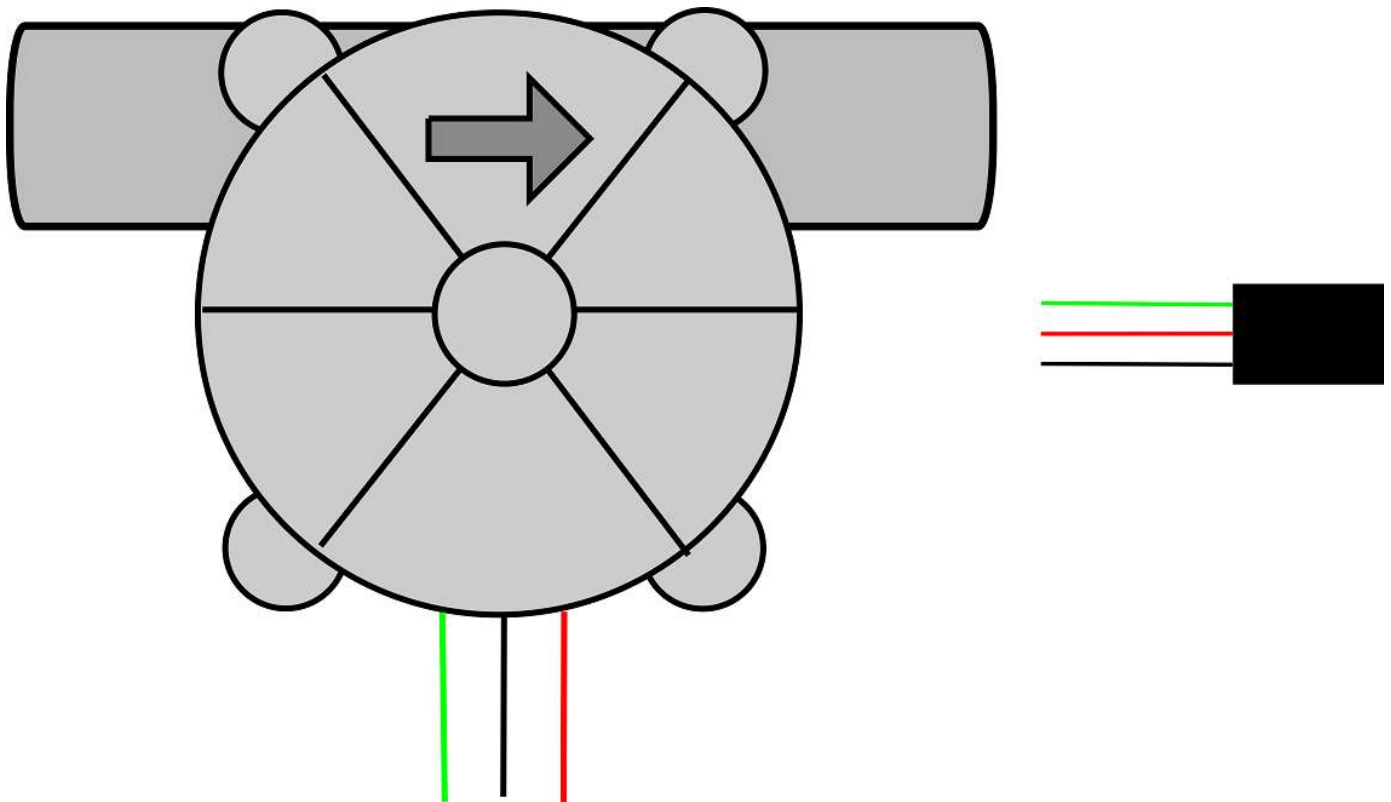
Specification

- Inner Diameter: 11 mm
- Outside diameter: 20 mm
- Proof Water Pressure: <1.75 MPa
- Water Flow Range: 1-30 L/min
- Voltage Range: 3.5~12 V
- Operating Current: 15 mA (DC 5V)

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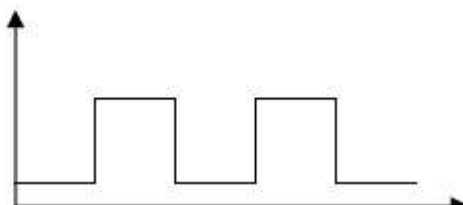
- Insulation Resistance: >100 MΩ
- Accuracy: ±5% (2~30L/min)
- The Output Pulse High Level: >4.7 VDC (DC input voltage 5 V)
- The Output Pulse Low Level: <0.5 VDC (DC input voltage 5 V)
- Output Pulse Duty Ratio: 50% ± 10%
- Water-flow Formula: 1L = 450 square waves
- Working Humidity Range: 25% ~ 95% RH (no frost)
- Dimension: 62*36*35 mm/2.44*1.37*1.37 inches
- Weight: 52g

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%

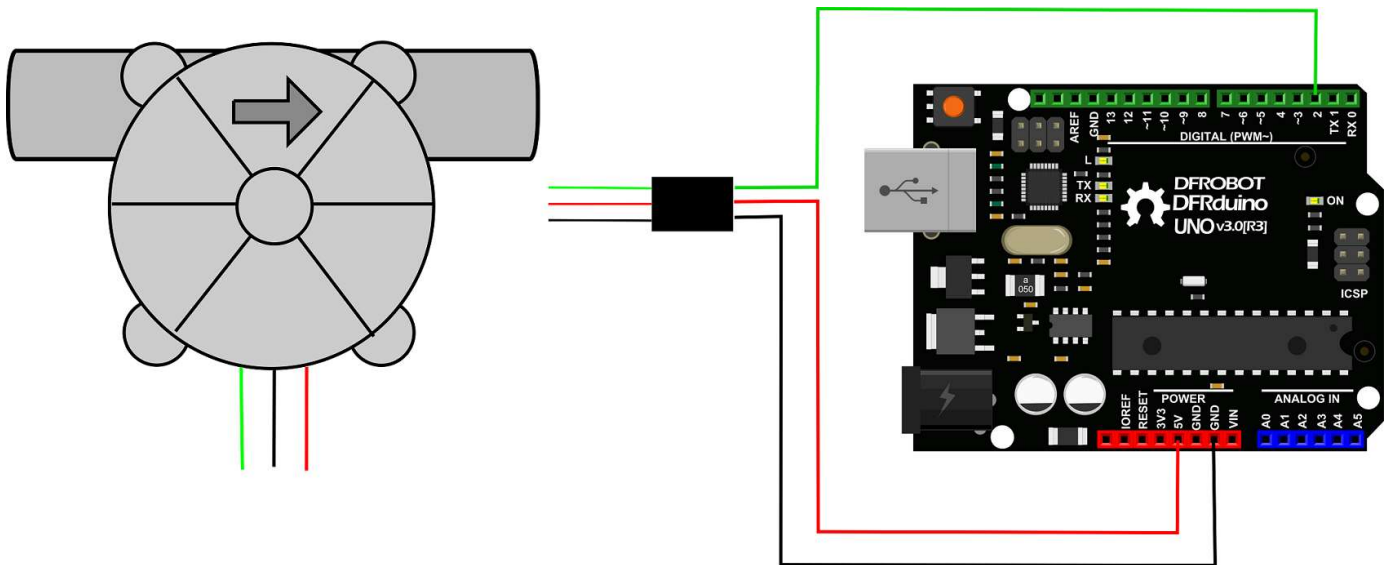
Tutorial

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>)

Connection Diagram



Sample Code

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This example reads Water flow sensor Sensor.

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/*****Notice and Trouble shooting*****/
1.Connection and Diagram can be found here https://www.dfrobot.com/wiki/index.php?title=
2.This code is tested on Arduino Uno.
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volatile double waterFlow;
void setup() {
  Serial.begin(9600); //baudrate
  waterFlow = 0;
  attachInterrupt(0, pulse, RISING); //DIGITAL Pin 2: Interrupt 0
}
void loop() {
  Serial.print("waterFlow:");
  Serial.print(waterFlow);
  Serial.println(" L");
  delay(500);
}

void pulse() //measure the quantity of square wave
{
  waterFlow += 1.0 / 450.0;
}

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FAQ

Q&A	Some general Arduino Problems/FAQ/Tips
A	For any questions, advice or cool ideas to share, please visit the DFRobot Forum (https://www.dfrobot.com/forum/).

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