

# LMC555

## CMOS Timer

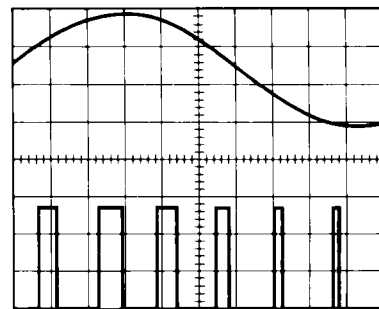
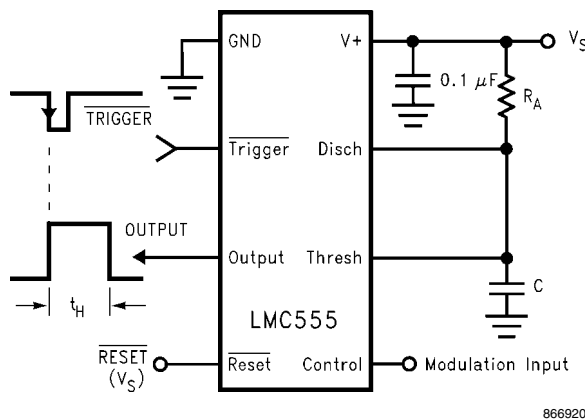
### General Description

The LMC555 is a CMOS version of the industry standard 555 series general purpose timers. In addition to the standard package (SOIC, MSOP, and MDIP) the LMC555 is also available in a chip sized package (8 Bump micro SMD) using National's micro SMD package technology. The LMC555 offers the same capability of generating accurate time delays and frequencies as the LM555 but with much lower power dissipation and supply current spikes. When operated as a one-shot, the time delay is precisely controlled by a single external resistor and capacitor. In the stable mode the oscillation frequency and duty cycle are accurately set by two external resistors and one capacitor. The use of National Semiconductor's LMC MOS™ process extends both the frequency range and low supply capability.

### Features

- Less than 1 mW typical power dissipation at 5V supply
- 3 MHz astable frequency capability
- 1.5V supply operating voltage guaranteed
- Output fully compatible with TTL and CMOS logic at 5V supply
- Tested to -10 mA, +50 mA output current levels
- Reduced supply current spikes during output transitions
- Extremely low reset, trigger, and threshold currents
- Excellent temperature stability
- Pin-for-pin compatible with 555 series of timers
- Available in 8-pin MSOP Package and 8-Bump micro SMD package

### Pulse Width Modulator



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### Ordering Information

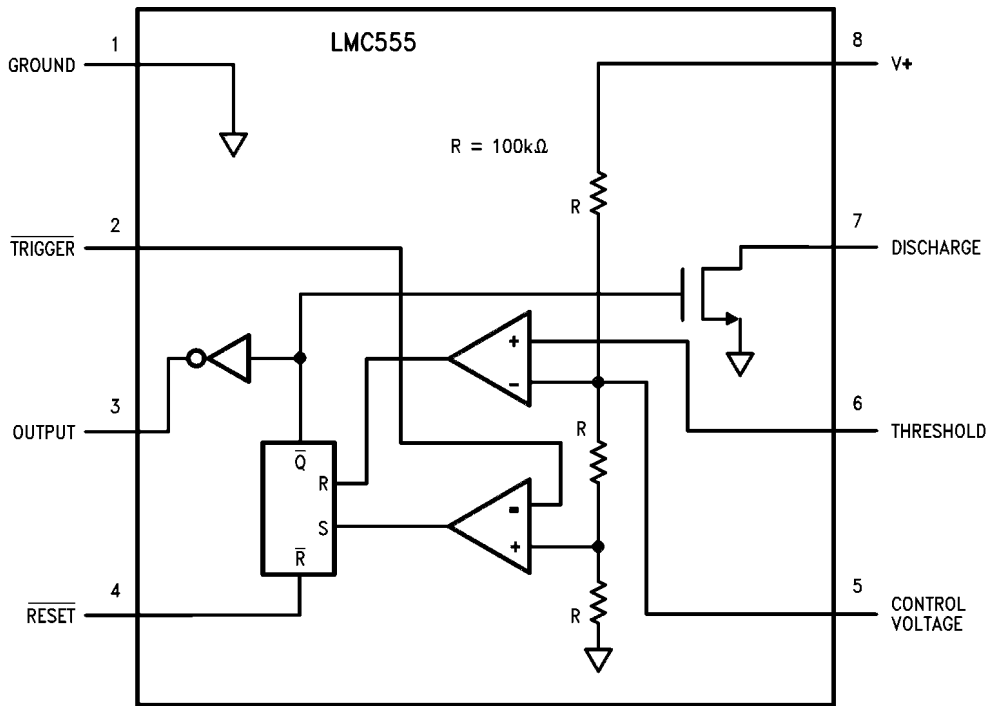
Package	Temperature Range	Package Marking	Transport Media	NSC Drawing
	Industrial -40°C to +85°C			
8-Pin Small Outline (SO)	LMC555CM	LMC555CM	Rails	M08A
	LMC555CMX		2.5k Units Tape and Reel	
8-Pin Mini Small Outline (MSOP)	LMC555CMM	ZC5	1k Units Tape and Reel	MUA08A
	LMC555CMMX		3.5k Units Tape and Reel	
8-Pin Molded Dip (MDIP)	LMC555CN	LMC555CN	Rails	N08E
8-Bump micro SMD NOPB	LMC555CTP	F02	250 Units Tape and Reel	TPA08FGA
	LMC555CTPX		3k Units Tape and Reel	

Note: See Mil-datasheet MNL555-X for specifications on the military device LMC555J/883.

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# Connection Diagrams

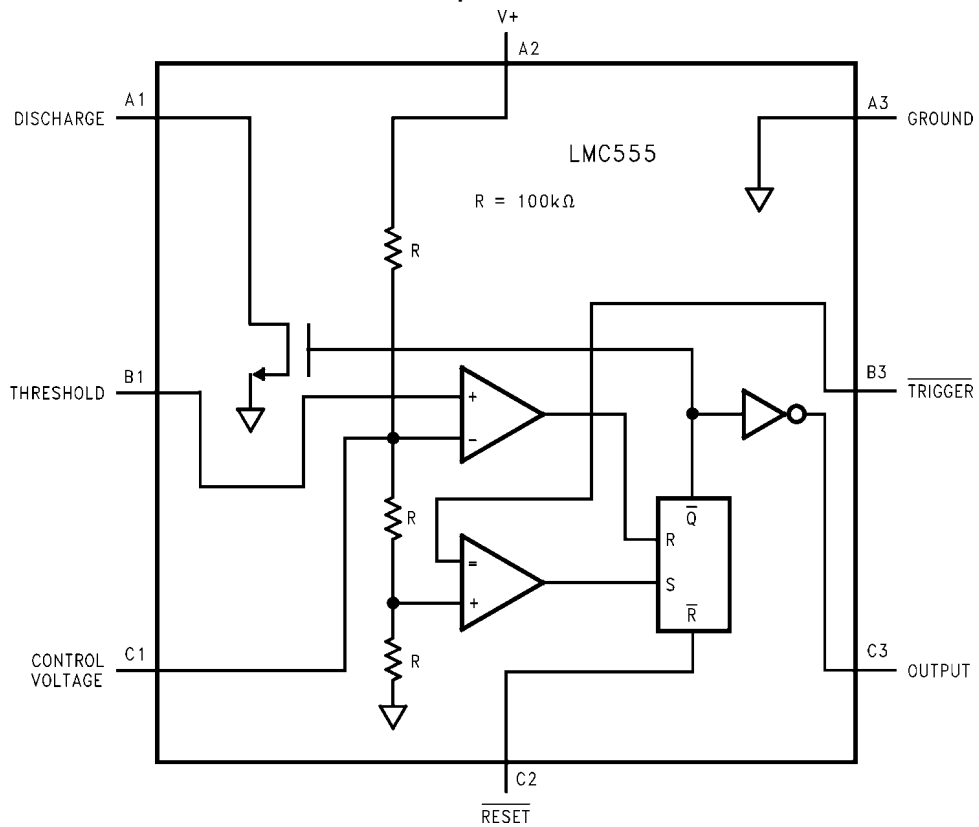
8-Pin SOIC, MSOP, MDIP



Top View

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8-Bump micro SMD



Top View  
(Bump Side Down)

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## Absolute Maximum Ratings (Note 2, Note 3)

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**If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the National Semiconductor Sales Office/ Distributors for availability and specifications.**

Supply Voltage, $V_+$	15V
Input Voltages, $V_{TRIG}$ , $V_{RES}$ , $V_{CTRL}$	
$V_{THRESH}$	-0.3V to $V_S + 0.3V$
Output Voltages, $V_O$ , $V_{DIS}$	15V
Output Current $I_O$ , $I_{DIS}$	100 mA
Storage Temperature Range	-65°C to +150°C
Soldering specification for MDIP package:	
Soldering (10 seconds)	260°C
Soldering specification for all other packages:	
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## Operating Ratings (Note 2, Note 3)

Temperature Range	-40°C to +85°C
Thermal Resistance ( $\theta_{JA}$ ) <small>(Note 2)</small>	
SO, 8-Pin Small Outline	169°C/W
MSOP, 8-Pin Mini Small Outline	225°C/W
MDIP, 8-Pin Molded Dip	111°C/W
8-Bump micro SMD	220°C/W
Maximum Allowable Power Dissipation @25°C	
MDIP-8	1126 mW
SO-8	740 mW
MSOP-8	555 mW
8 Bump micro SMD	568 mW

## Electrical Characteristics (Note 1, Note 2)

Test Circuit,  $T = 25^\circ\text{C}$ , all switches open,  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  to  $V_S$  unless otherwise noted

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units (Limits)
$I_S$	Supply Current	$V_S = 1.5V$ $V_S = 5V$ $V_S = 12V$		50 100 150	150 250 400	$\mu\text{A}$
$V_{CTRL}$	Control Voltage	$V_S = 1.5V$ $V_S = 5V$ $V_S = 12V$	0.8 2.9 7.4	1.0 3.3 8.0	1.2 3.8 8.6	V
$V_{DIS}$	Discharge Saturation Voltage	$V_S = 1.5V$ , $I_{DIS} = 1\text{ mA}$ $V_S = 5V$ , $I_{DIS} = 10\text{ mA}$		75 150	150 300	mV
$V_{OL}$	Output Voltage (Low)	$V_S = 1.5V$ , $I_O = 1\text{ mA}$ $V_S = 5V$ , $I_O = 8\text{ mA}$ $V_S = 12V$ , $I_O = 50\text{ mA}$		0.2 0.3 1.0	0.4 0.6 2.0	V
$V_{OH}$	Output Voltage (High)	$V_S = 1.5V$ , $I_O = -0.25\text{ mA}$ $V_S = 5V$ , $I_O = -2\text{ mA}$ $V_S = 12V$ , $I_O = -10\text{ mA}$	1.0 4.4 10.5	1.25 4.7 11.3		V
$V_{TRIG}$	Trigger Voltage	$V_S = 1.5V$ $V_S = 12V$	0.4 3.7	0.5 4.0	0.6 4.3	V
$I_{TRIG}$	Trigger Current	$V_S = 5V$		10		pA
$V_{RES}$	Reset Voltage	$V_S = 1.5V$ <small>(Note 4)</small> $V_S = 12V$	0.4 0.4	0.7 0.75	1.0 1.1	V
$I_{RES}$	Reset Current	$V_S = 5V$		10		pA
$I_{THRESH}$	Threshold Current	$V_S = 5V$		10		pA
$I_{DIS}$	Discharge Leakage	$V_S = 12V$		1.0	100	nA
t	Timing Accuracy	SW 2, 4 Closed $V_S = 1.5V$ $V_S = 5V$ $V_S = 12V$	0.9 1.0 1.0	1.1 1.1 1.1	1.25 1.20 1.25	ms
$\Delta t/\Delta V_S$	Timing Shift with Supply	$V_S = 5V \pm 1V$		0.3		%/V
$\Delta t/\Delta T$	Timing Shift with Temperature	$V_S = 5V$ $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$		75		ppm/°C

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units (Limits)
$f_A$	Astable Frequency	SW 1, 3 Closed, $V_S = 12V$	4.0	4.8	5.6	kHz
$f_{MAX}$	Maximum Frequency	Max. Freq. Test Circuit, $V_S = 5V$		3.0		MHz
$t_R, t_F$	Output Rise and Fall Times	Max. Freq. Test Circuit $V_S = 5V, C_L = 10 pF$		15		ns
$t_{PD}$	Trigger Propagation Delay	$V_S = 5V$ , Measure Delay from Trigger to Output		100		ns

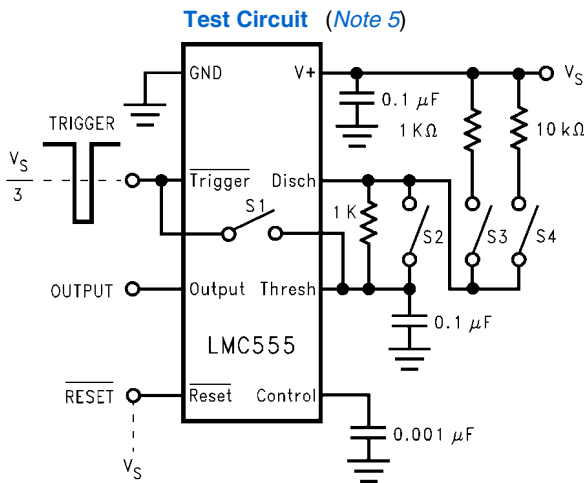
**Note 1:** All voltages are measured with respect to the ground pin, unless otherwise specified.

**Note 2:** Absolute Maximum Ratings indicate limits beyond which damage to the device may occur. Operating Ratings indicate conditions for which the device is functional, but do not guarantee specific performance limits. Electrical Characteristics state DC and AC electrical specifications under particular test conditions which guarantee specific performance limits. This assumes that the device is within the Operating Ratings. Specifications are not guaranteed for parameters where no limit is given, however, the typical value is a good indication of device performance.

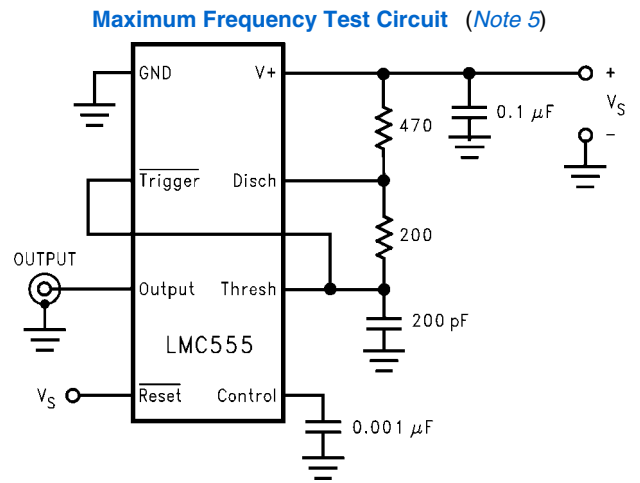
**Note 3:** See AN-1112 for micro SMD considerations.

**Note 4:** If the  $\overline{RESET}$  pin is to be used at temperatures of  $-20^\circ C$  and below  $V_S$  is required to be 2.0V or greater.

**Note 5:** For device pinout please refer to table 1



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TABLE 1. Package Pinout Names vs. Pin Function

Pin Function	Package Pin numbers	
8-Pin SO, MSOP, and MDIP	8-Bump micro SMD	
GND	1	A3
Trigger	2	B3
Output	3	C3
Reset	4	C2
Control Voltage	5	C1
Threshold	6	B1
Discharge	7	A1
V+	8	A2

# Application Information

## MONOSTABLE OPERATION

In this mode of operation, the timer functions as a one-shot (Figure 1). The external capacitor is initially held discharged by internal circuitry. Upon application of a negative trigger pulse of less than  $1/3 V_S$  to the Trigger terminal, the flip-flop is set which both releases the short circuit across the capacitor and drives the output high.

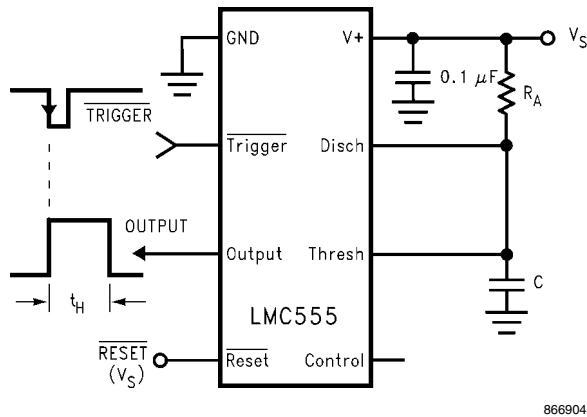
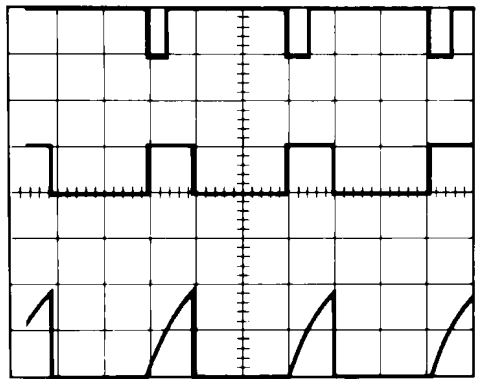


FIGURE 1. Monostable (One-Shot)

The voltage across the capacitor then increases exponentially for a period of  $t_H = 1.1 R_A C$ , which is also the time that the output stays high, at the end of which time the voltage equals  $2/3 V_S$ . The comparator then resets the flip-flop which in turn discharges the capacitor and drives the output to its low state. Figure 2 shows the waveforms generated in this mode of operation. Since the charge and the threshold level of the comparator are both directly proportional to supply voltage, the timing interval is independent of supply.



$V_{CC} = 5V$       Top Trace: Input 5 V/Div.  
 TIME = 0.1 ms/Div.      Middle Trace: Output 5 V/Div.  
 $R_A = 9.1 k\Omega$       Bottom Trace: Capacitor Voltage 2 V/Div.  
 $C = 0.01 \mu F$

FIGURE 2. Monostable Waveforms

Reset overrides Trigger, which can override threshold. Therefore the trigger pulse must be shorter than the desired  $t_H$ . The minimum pulse width for the Trigger is 20ns, and it is 400ns for the Reset. During the timing cycle when the output is high, the further application of a trigger pulse will not effect the cir-

cuit so long as the trigger input is returned high at least  $10\mu s$  before the end of the timing interval. However the circuit can be reset during this time by the application of a negative pulse to the reset terminal. The output will then remain in the low state until a trigger pulse is again applied.

When the reset function is not use, it is recommended that it be connected to  $V_+$  to avoid any possibility of false triggering. Figure 3 is a nomograph for easy determination of RC values for various time delays.

Note: In monostable operation, the trigger should be driven high before the end of timing cycle.

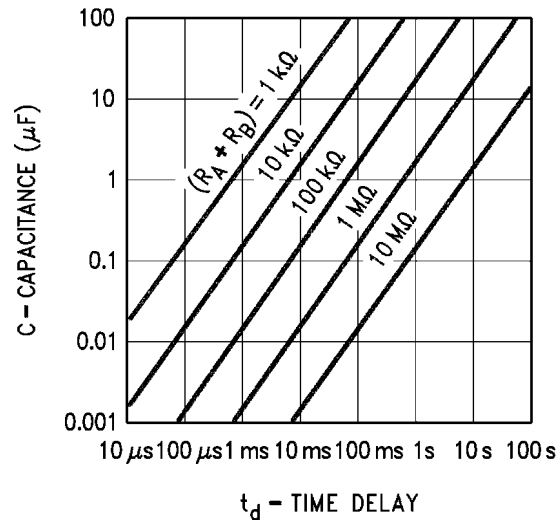


FIGURE 3. Time Delay

## ASTABLE OPERATION

If the circuit is connected as shown in Figure 4 (Trigger and Threshold terminals connected together) it will trigger itself and free run as a multivibrator. The external capacitor charges through  $R_A + R_B$  and discharges through  $R_B$ . Thus the duty cycle may be precisely set by the ratio of these two resistors.

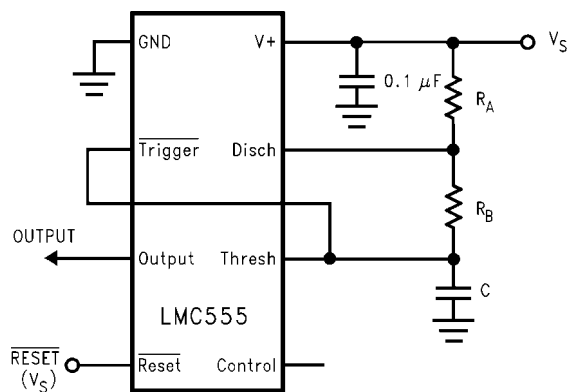
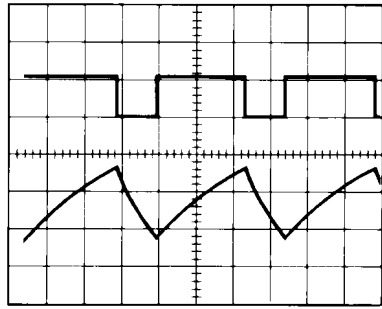


FIGURE 4. Astable (Variable Duty Cycle Oscillator)

In this mode of operation, the capacitor charges and discharges between  $1/3 V_S$  and  $2/3 V_S$ . As in the triggered mode, the charge and discharge times, and therefore the frequency are independent of the supply voltage.

Figure 5 shows the waveform generated in this mode of operation.



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$V_{CC} = 5V$       Top Trace: Output 5 V/Div.  
 TIME = 20  $\mu s$ /Div.      Bottom Trace: Capacitor Voltage 1 V/Div.  
 $R_A = 3.9 k\Omega$   
 $R_B = 9 k\Omega$   
 $C = 0.01 \mu F$

**FIGURE 5. Astable Waveforms**

The charge time (output high) is given by

$$t_1 = 0.693 (R_A + R_B)C$$

And the discharge time (output low) by:

$$t_2 = 0.693 (R_B)C$$

Thus the total period is:

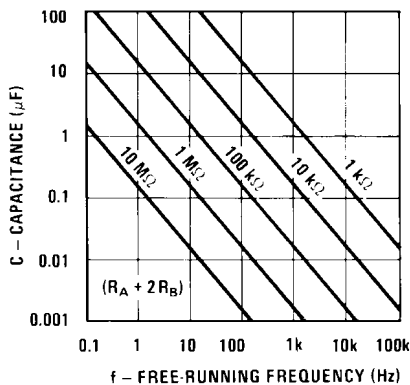
$$T = t_1 + t_2 = 0.693 (R_A + 2R_B)C$$

The frequency of oscillation is:

$$f = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{1.44}{(R_A + 2R_B)C}$$

Figure 6 may be used for quick determination of these RC Values. The duty cycle, as a fraction of total period that the output is low, is:

$$D = \frac{R_B}{R_A + 2R_B}$$

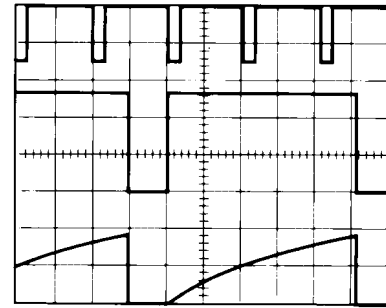


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**FIGURE 6. Free Running Frequency**

**FREQUENCY DIVIDER**

The monostable circuit of Figure 1 can be used as a frequency divider by adjusting the length of the timing cycle. Figure 7 shows the waveforms generated in a divide by three circuit.



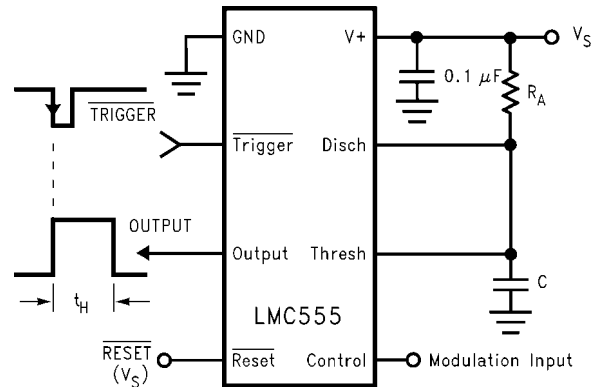
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$V_{CC} = 5V$       Top Trace: Input 4 V/Div.  
 TIME = 20  $\mu s$ /Div.      Middle Trace: Output 2 V/Div.  
 $R_A = 9.1 k\Omega$       Bottom Trace: Capacitor 2 V/Div.  
 $C = 0.01 \mu F$

**FIGURE 7. Frequency Divider Waveforms**

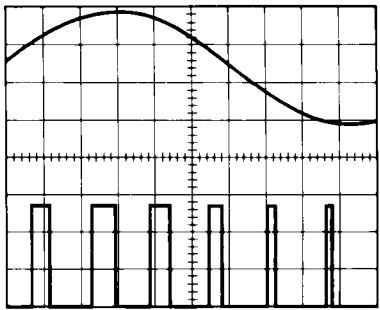
**PULSE WIDTH MODULATOR**

When the timer is connected in the monostable mode and triggered with a continuous pulse train, the output pulse width can be modulated by a signal applied to the Control Voltage Terminal. Figure 8 shows the circuit, and in Figure 9 are some waveform examples.



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**FIGURE 8. Pulse Width Modulator**



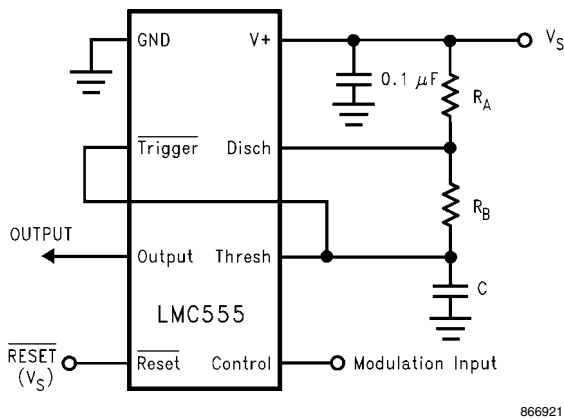
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$V_{CC} = 5V$   
 Top Trace: Modulation 1 V/Div.  
 TIME = 0.2 ms/Div. Bottom Trace: Output Voltage 2 V/Div.  
 $R_A = 9.1 k\Omega$   
 $C = 0.01 \mu F$

FIGURE 9. Pulse Width Modulator Waveforms

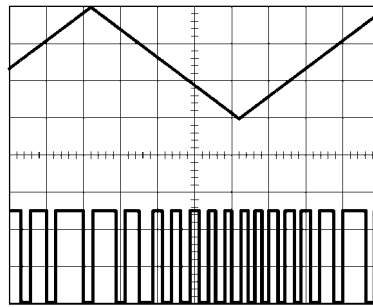
**PULSE POSITION MODULATOR**

This application uses the timer connected for astable operation, as in Figure 10, with a modulating signal again applied to the control voltage terminal. The pulse position varies with the modulating signal, since the threshold voltage and hence the time delay is varied. Figure 11 shows the waveforms generated for a triangle wave modulation signal.



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FIGURE 10. Pulse Position Modulator



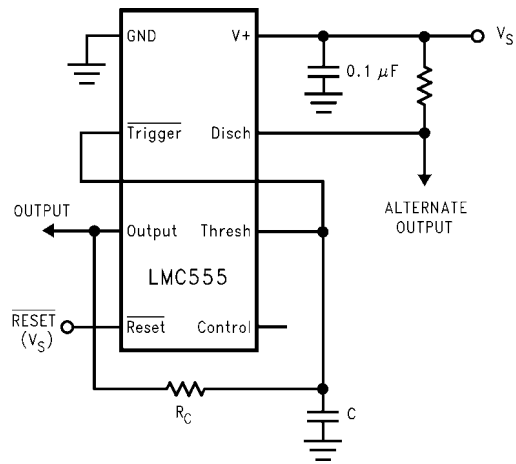
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$V_{CC} = 5V$   
 Top Trace: Modulation Input 1 V/Div.  
 TIME = 0.1 ms/Div. Bottom Trace: Output Voltage 2 V/Div.  
 $R_A = 3.9 k\Omega$   
 $R_B = 3 k\Omega$   
 $C = 0.01 \mu F$

FIGURE 11. Pulse Position Modulator Waveforms

**50% DUTY CYCLE OSCILLATOR**

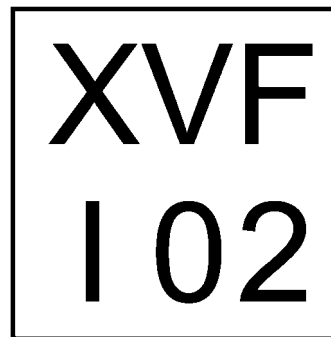
The frequency of oscillation is  
 $f = 1/(1.4 R_C C)$



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FIGURE 12. 50% Duty Cycle Oscillator

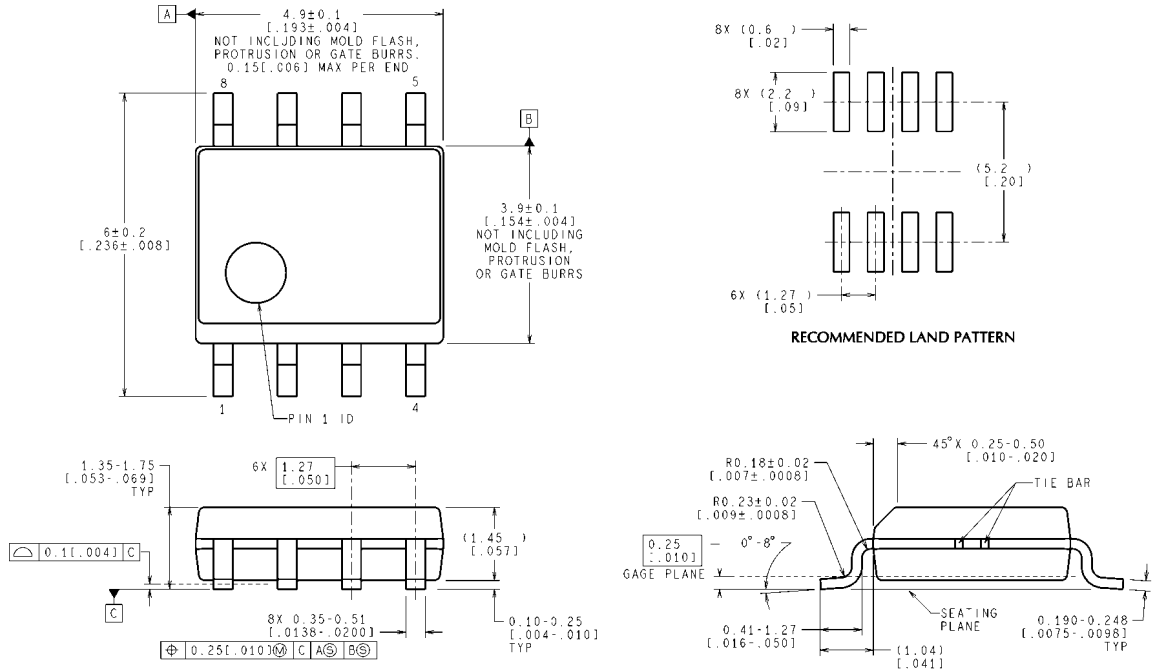
**micro SMD Marking Orientation  
 Top View**



X = 1 Digit Date Code  
 V = 1 Digit Die Run  
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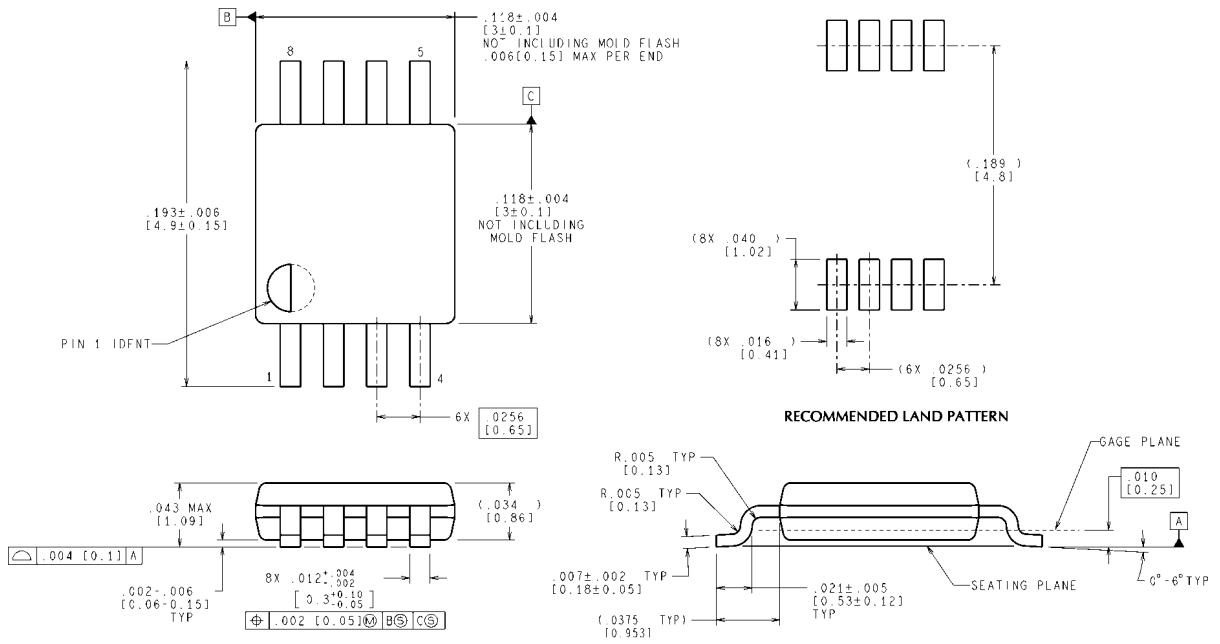
**Physical Dimensions** inches (millimeters) unless otherwise noted



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M08A (Rev M)

**Molded Small Outline (SO) Package (M)  
NS Package Number M08A**

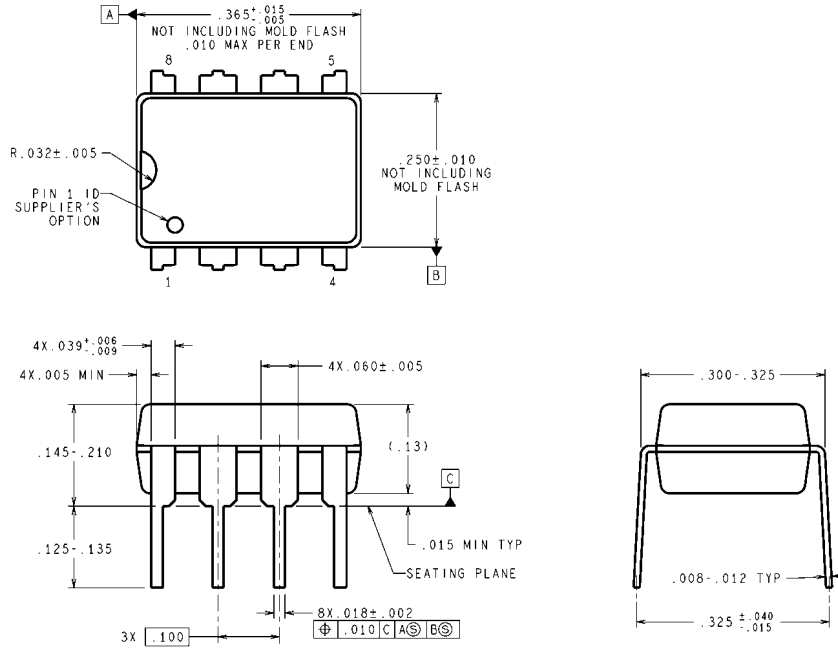


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MUA08A (Rev F)

**8-Pin (0.118" Wide) Molded Mini Small Outline Package  
NS Package Number MUA08A**

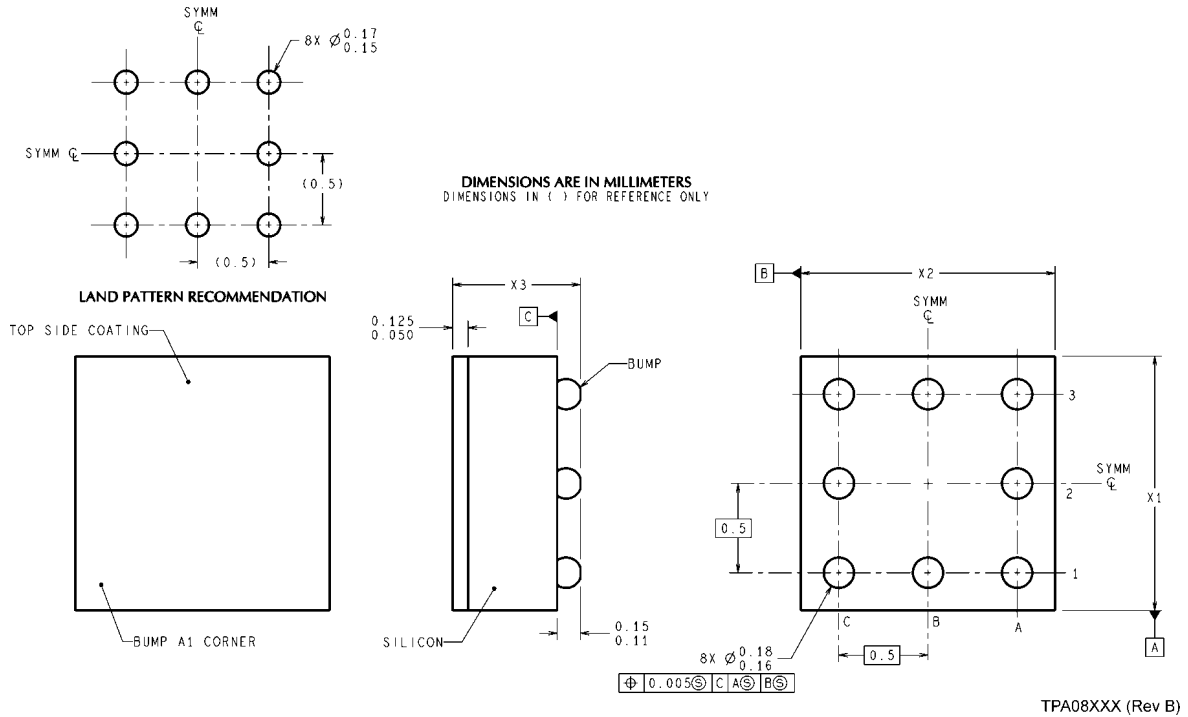




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**Molded Dual-in-line Package (N)**  
**NS Package Number N08E**

N08E (Rev G)



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1. EPOXY COATING
2. FOR SOLDER BUMP COMPOSITION, SEE "SOLDER INFORMATION" IN THE PACKAGING SECTION OF THE NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR WEB PAGE ([www.national.com](http://www.national.com)).
3. RECOMMEND NON-SOLDER MASK DEFINED LANDING PAD.
4. PIN A1 IS ESTABLISHED BY LOWER LEFT CORNER WITH RESPECT TO TEXT ORIENTATION.
5. XXX IN DRAWING NUMBER REPRESENTS PACKAGE SIZE VARIATION WHERE X1 IS PACKAGE WIDTH, X2 IS PACKAGE LENGTH AND X3 IS PACKAGE HEIGHT.
6. REFERENCE JEDEC REGISTRATION MO-211, VARIATION BC.

**8-Bump micro SMD Package**  
**NS Package Number TPA08FGA**  
**X<sub>1</sub> = 1.412 X<sub>2</sub> = 1.438 X<sub>3</sub> = 0.500**

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