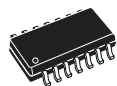


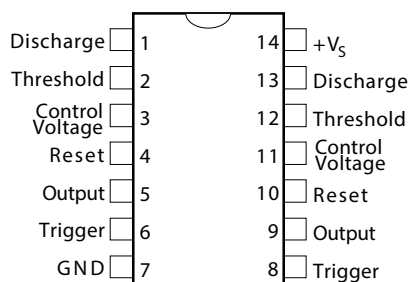
Low-power dual CMOS timer

Datasheet - production data



SO14
(plastic micropackage)

Pin connections (top view)



Description

The TS556 is a dual CMOS timer which offers a very low consumption:

($I_{CC(TYP)}$ TS556 = 220 μ A at V_{CC} = 5 V versus $I_{CC(TYP)}$ NE556^(a) = 6 mA),

and high frequency:

($f_{(max.)}$ TS556 = 2.7 MHz versus $f_{(max.)}$ NE556^(a) = 0.1 MHz)

In both monostable and astable modes, timing remains very accurate.

The TS556 provides reduced supply current spikes during output transitions, which enables the use of lower decoupling capacitors compared to those required by bipolar NE556^(a).

Due to the high input impedance ($10^{12} \Omega$), timing capacitors can also be minimized.

Features

- Very low power consumption:
 - 220 μ A typ at V_{CC} = 5 V
 - 180 μ A typ at V_{CC} = 3 V
- High maximum astable frequency 2.7 MHz
- Pin-to-pin and functionally compatible with bipolar NE556^(a)
- Wide voltage range: 2 V to 16 V
- Supply current spikes reduced during output transitions
- High input impedance: $10^{12} \Omega$
- Output compatible with TTL, CMOS and logic MOS

a. Terminated product

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1 Absolute maximum ratings and operating conditions

Table 1. Absolute maximum ratings

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
V_{CC}	Supply voltage	18	V
I_{OUT}	Output current	± 100	mA
R_{thja}	Thermal resistance junction to ambient ⁽¹⁾	105	°C/W
R_{thjc}	Thermal resistance junction to case ⁽¹⁾	31	
T_j	Junction Temperature	150	°C
T_{stg}	Storage Temperature Range	-65 to 150	
ESD	Human body model (HBM) ⁽²⁾	1200	V
	Machine model (MM) ⁽³⁾	200	
	Charged device model (CDM) ⁽⁴⁾	1000	

1. Short-circuits can cause excessive heating. These values are typical and specified for a four layers PCB.
2. Human body model: a 100 pF capacitor is charged to the specified voltage, then discharged through a 1.5k Ω resistor between two pins of the device. This is done for all couples of connected pin combinations while the other pins are floating.
3. Machine model: a 200 pF capacitor is charged to the specified voltage, then discharged directly between two pins of the device with no external series resistor (internal resistor < 5 Ω). This is done for all couples of connected pin combinations while the other pins remain floating.
4. Charged device model: all pins plus package are charged together to the specified voltage and then discharged directly to the ground.

Table 2. Operating conditions

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
V_{CC}	Supply voltage	2 to 16	V
I_{OUT}	Output sink current Output source current	50 10	mA
T_{oper}	Operating free air temperature range	-40 to 125	°C

2 Schematic diagram

Figure 1. Schematic diagram (1/2 TS556)

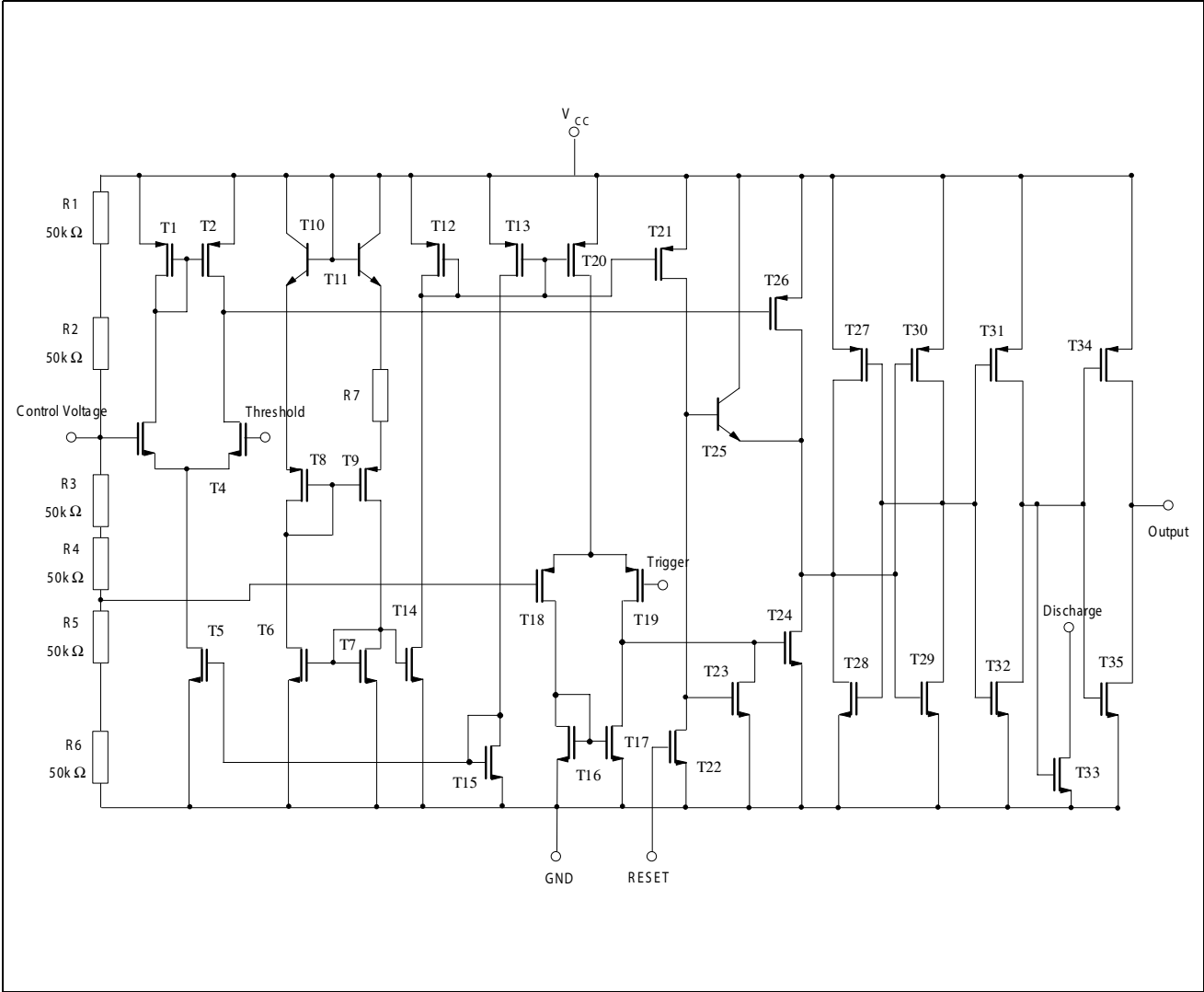


Figure 2. Block diagram

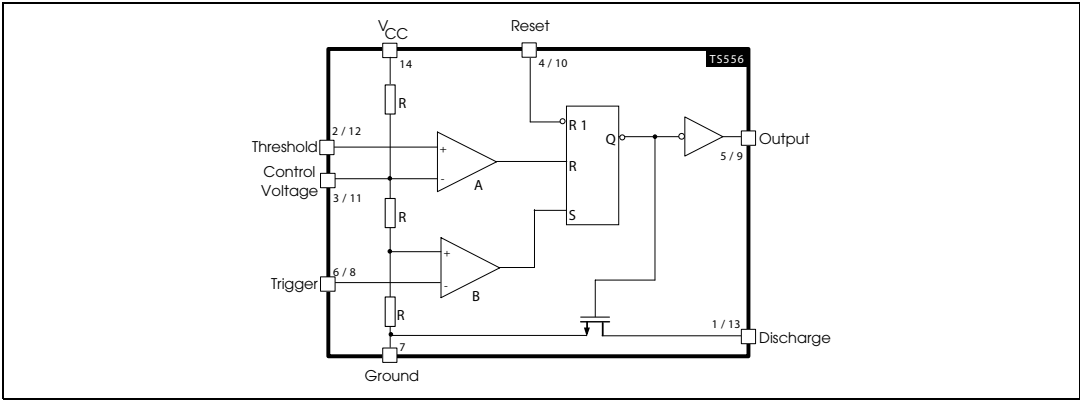


Table 3. Functions table

Reset	Trigger	Threshold	Output
Low	x	x	Low
High	Low		High
	High	High	Low
		Low	Previous state

Note:

Low: level voltage $\leq$ minimum voltage specified

High: level voltage $\geq$ maximum voltage specified

x: irrelevant

3 Electrical characteristics

Table 4. Static electrical characteristics
 $V_{CC} = 2\text{ V}$, $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$, reset to V_{CC} (unless otherwise specified)

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
I_{CC}	Supply current (no load, high and low states) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		130	400 400	μA
V_{CL}	Control voltage level $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	1.2 1.1	1.3	1.4 1.5	V
V_{DIS}	Discharge saturation voltage ($I_{dis} = 1\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		0.05	0.2 0.25	
I_{DIS}	Discharge pin leakage current		1	100	nA
V_{OL}	Low level output voltage ($I_{sink} = 1\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		0.1	0.3 0.35	V
V_{OH}	High level output voltage ($I_{source} = -0.3\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	1.5 1.5	1.9		
V_{TRIG}	Trigger voltage $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	0.4 0.3	0.67	0.95 1.05	
I_{TRIG}	Trigger current		10		pA
I_{TH}	Threshold current		10		
V_{RESET}	Reset voltage $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	0.4 0.3	1.1	1.5 2.0	V
I_{RESET}	Reset current		10		pA

Table 5. Static electrical characteristics
 $V_{CC} = 3\text{ V}$, $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$, reset to V_{CC} (unless otherwise specified)

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
I_{CC}	Supply current (no load, high and low states) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		180	460 460	μA
V_{CL}	Control voltage level $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	1.8 1.7	2	2.2 2.3	V
V_{DIS}	Discharge saturation voltage ($I_{dis} = 1\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		0.05	0.2 0.25	
I_{DIS}	Discharge pin leakage current		1	100	nA
V_{OL}	Low level output voltage ($I_{sink} = 1\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		0.1	0.3 0.35	V
V_{OH}	High level output voltage ($I_{source} = -0.3\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	2.5 2.5	2.9		
V_{TRIG}	Trigger voltage $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	0.9 0.8	1	1.1 1.2	
I_{TRIG}	Trigger current		10		pA
I_{TH}	Threshold current		10		
V_{RESET}	Reset voltage $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	0.4 0.3	1.1	1.5 2.0	V
I_{RESET}	Reset current		10		pA

Table 6. Dynamic electrical characteristics
 $V_{CC} = 3\text{ V}$, $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$, reset to V_{CC} (unless otherwise specified)

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
	Timing accuracy (monostable) ⁽¹⁾ R = 10 k Ω , C = 0.1 μ F, $V_{CC} = 2\text{ V}$ R = 10 k Ω , C = 0.1 μ F, $V_{CC} = 3\text{ V}$	—	1 1	—	%
	Timing shift with supply voltage variations (monostable) ⁽¹⁾ R = 10 k Ω , C = 0.1 μ F, $V_{CC} = 3\text{ V} \pm 0.3\text{ V}$		0.5		%/V
	Timing shift with temperature ⁽¹⁾ $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		75		ppm/°C
f_{max}	Maximum astable frequency ⁽²⁾ $R_A = 470\text{ }\Omega$, $R_B = 200\text{ }\Omega$, C = 200 pF		2		MHz
	Astable frequency accuracy ⁽²⁾ $R_A = R_B = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ to 100 k Ω , C = 0.1 μ F		5		%
	Timing shift with supply voltage variations (astable mode) ⁽²⁾ $R_A = R_B = 10\text{ k}\Omega$, C = 0.1 μ F, $V_{CC} = 3\text{ to }5\text{ V}$		0.5		%/V
t_R	Output rise time ($C_{load} = 10\text{ pF}$)		25		ns
t_F	Output fall time ($C_{load} = 10\text{ pF}$)		20		
t_{PD}	Trigger propagation delay		100		
t_{RPW}	Minimum reset pulse width ($V_{trig} = 3\text{ V}$)		350		

1. See [Figure 4](#)

2. See [Figure 6](#)

Table 7. Static electrical characteristics
 $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$, $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$, reset to V_{CC} (unless otherwise specified)

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
I_{CC}	Supply current (no load, high and low states) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		220	500 500	μA
V_{CL}	Control voltage level $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	2.9 2.8	3.3	3.8 3.9	V
V_{DIS}	Discharge saturation voltage ($I_{dis} = 10\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		0.2	0.3 0.35	
I_{DIS}	Discharge pin leakage current		1	100	nA
V_{OL}	Low level output voltage ($I_{sink} = 8\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		0.3	0.6 0.8	V
V_{OH}	High level output voltage ($I_{source} = -2\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	4.4 4.4	4.6		
V_{TRIG}	Trigger voltage $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	1.36 1.26	1.67	1.96 2.06	
I_{TRIG}	Trigger current		10		pA
I_{TH}	Threshold current		10		
V_{RESET}	Reset voltage $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	0.4 0.3	1.1	1.5 2.0	V
I_{RESET}	Reset current		10		pA

Table 8. Dynamic electrical characteristics
 $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$, $T_{amb} = 25\text{ °C}$, reset to V_{CC} (unless otherwise specified)

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
	Timing accuracy (monostable) ⁽¹⁾ $R = 10\text{ k}\Omega$, $C = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$	—	2	—	%
	Timing shift with supply voltage variations (monostable) ⁽¹⁾ $R = 10\text{ k}\Omega$, $C = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$, $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V} \pm 1\text{ V}$		0.38		%/V
	Timing shift with temperature ⁽¹⁾ $T_{min.} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		75		ppm/°C
f_{max}	Maximum astable frequency ⁽²⁾ $R_A = 470\text{ }\Omega$, $R_B = 200\text{ }\Omega$, $C = 200\text{ pF}$		2.7		MHz
	Astable frequency accuracy ⁽²⁾ $R_A = R_B = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ to $100\text{ k}\Omega$, $C = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$		3		%
	Timing shift with supply voltage variations (astable mode) ⁽²⁾ $R_A = R_B = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ to $100\text{ k}\Omega$, $C = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$, $V_{CC} = 5$ to 12 V		0.1		%/V
t_R	Output rise time ($C_{load} = 10\text{ pF}$)		25		ns
t_F	Output fall time ($C_{load} = 10\text{ pF}$)		20		
t_{PD}	Trigger propagation delay		100		
t_{RPW}	Minimum reset pulse width ($V_{trig} = 5\text{ V}$)		350		

1. See [Figure 4](#)

2. See [Figure 6](#)

Table 9. Static electrical characteristics
 $V_{CC} = 12\text{ V}$, $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, reset to V_{CC} (unless otherwise specified)

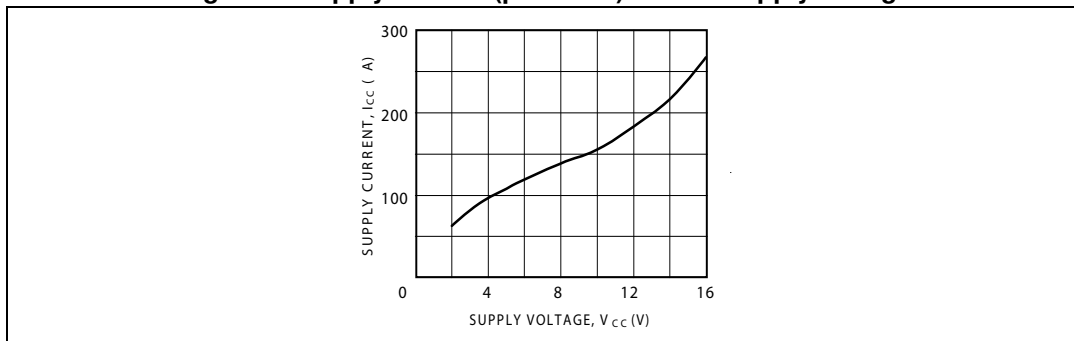
Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
I_{CC}	Supply current (no load, high and low states) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		340	800 800	μA
V_{CL}	Control voltage level $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	7.4 7.3	8	8.6 8.7	V
V_{DIS}	Discharge saturation voltage ($I_{dis} = 80\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		0.09	1.6 2.0	
I_{DIS}	Discharge pin leakage current		1	100	nA
V_{OL}	Low level output voltage ($I_{sink} = 50\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$		1.2	2 2.8	V
V_{OH}	High level output voltage ($I_{source} = -10\text{ mA}$) $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	10.5 10.5	11		
V_{TRIG}	Trigger voltage $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	3.2 3.1	4	4.8 4.9	
I_{TRIG}	Trigger current		10		pA
I_{TH}	Threshold current		10		
V_{RESET}	Reset voltage $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$	0.4 0.3	1.1	1.5 2.0	V
I_{RESET}	Reset current		10		pA

Table 10. Dynamic electrical characteristics
 $V_{CC} = 12\text{ V}$, $T_{amb} = 25\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, reset to V_{CC} (unless otherwise specified)

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
	Timing accuracy (monostable) ⁽¹⁾ $R = 10\text{ k}\Omega$, $C = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$	—	4	—	%
	Timing shift with supply voltage variations (monostable) $R = 10\text{ k}\Omega$, $C = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$, $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V} \pm 1\text{ V}$		0.38		%/V
	Timing shift with temperature $T_{min} \leq T_{amb} \leq T_{max}$, $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$		75		ppm/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$
f_{max}	Maximum astable frequency $R_A = 470\text{ }\Omega$, $R_B = 200\text{ }\Omega$, $C = 200\text{ pF}$, $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$		2.7		MHz
	Astable frequency accuracy ⁽²⁾ $R_A = R_B = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ to $100\text{ k}\Omega$, $C = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$		3		%
	Timing shift with supply voltage variations (astable mode) $R_A = R_B = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ to $100\text{ k}\Omega$, $C = 0.1\text{ }\mu\text{F}$, $V_{CC} = 5$ to 12 V		0.1		%/V

1. See [Figure 4](#)

2. See [Figure 6](#)

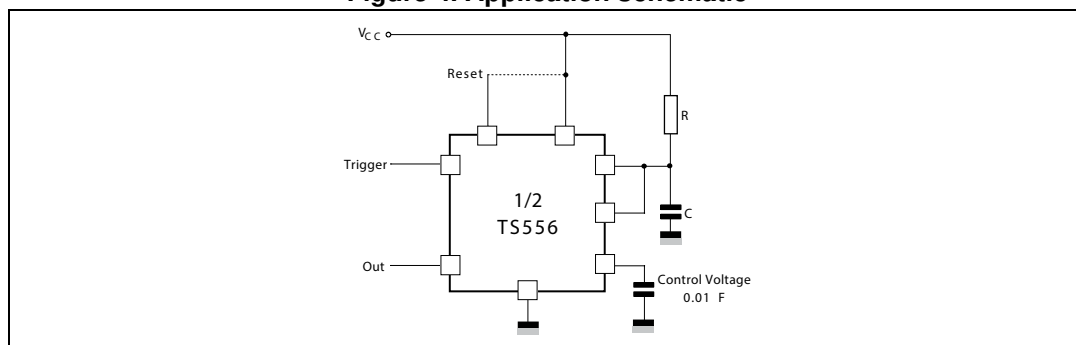
Figure 3. Supply current (per timer) versus supply voltage

4 Application information

4.1 Monostable operation

In monostable mode, the timer operates like a one-shot generator. Referring to [Figure 2](#), the external capacitor is initially held discharged by a transistor inside the timer, as shown in [Figure 4](#).

Figure 4. Application schematic



The circuit triggers on a negative-going input signal when the level reaches $1/3 V_{CC}$. Once triggered, the circuit remains in this state until the set time has elapsed, even if it is triggered again during this interval. The duration of the output HIGH state is given by $t = 1.1 R \times C$.

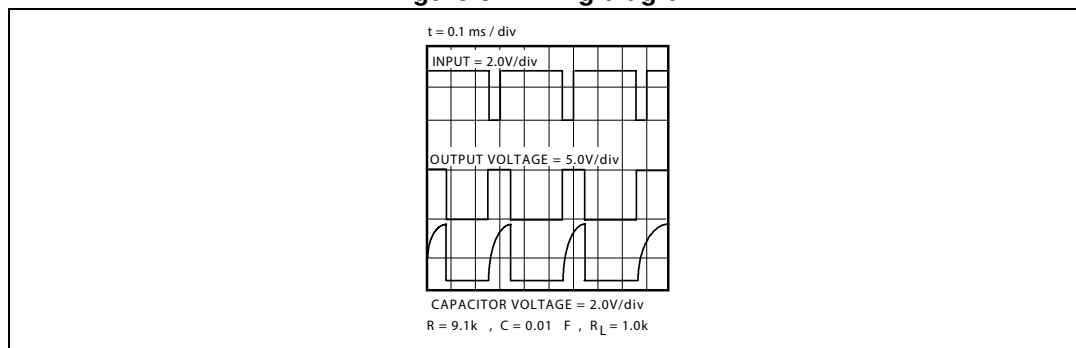
It can be noticed that since the charge rate and the threshold level of the comparator are both directly proportional to the supply voltage, the timing interval is independent of the supply. Applying a negative pulse simultaneously to the reset terminal (pin 4) and the trigger terminal (pin 2) during the timing cycle, discharges the external capacitor and causes the cycle to start over. The timing cycle now starts on the positive edge of the reset pulse. While the reset pulse is applied, the output is driven to the LOW state.

When a negative trigger pulse is applied to pin 2, the flip-flop is set, releasing the short circuit across the external capacitor and driving the output HIGH. The voltage across the capacitor increases exponentially with the time constant $\tau = R \times C$.

When the voltage across the capacitor equals $2/3 V_{CC}$, the comparator resets the flip-flop which then discharges the capacitor rapidly and drives the output to its LOW state.

[Figure 5](#) shows the actual waveforms generated in this mode of operation. When reset is not used, it should be tied high to avoid any possible or false triggering.

Figure 5. Timing diagram

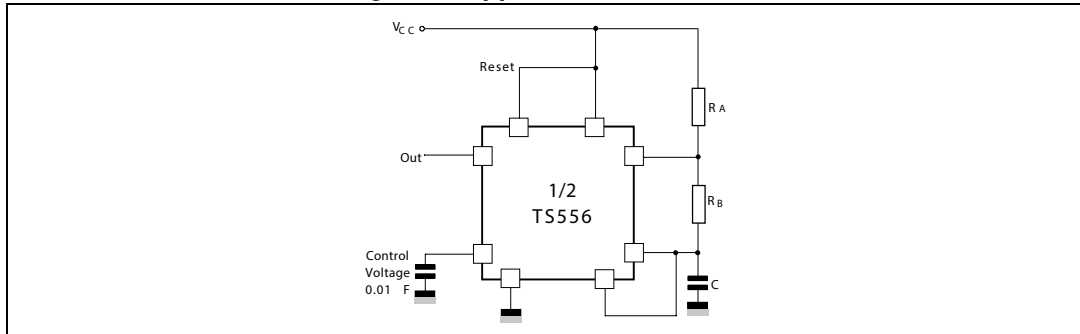


4.2 Astable operation

When the circuit is connected as shown in [Figure 6](#) (pins 2 and 6 connected) it triggers itself and runs as a multivibrator. The external capacitor charges through R_A and R_B and discharges through R_B only. Thus the duty cycle may be precisely set by the ratio of these two resistors.

In the astable mode of operation, C charges and discharges between $1/3 V_{CC}$ and $2/3 V_{CC}$. As in the triggered mode, the charge and discharge times and therefore frequency, are independent of the supply voltage.

Figure 6. Application schematic



[Figure 7](#) shows the actual waveforms generated in this mode of operation.

The charge time (output HIGH) is given by:

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

and the discharge time (output LOW) by:

$$t_2 = 0.693 \times R_B \times C$$

Thus the total period, T, is given by:

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

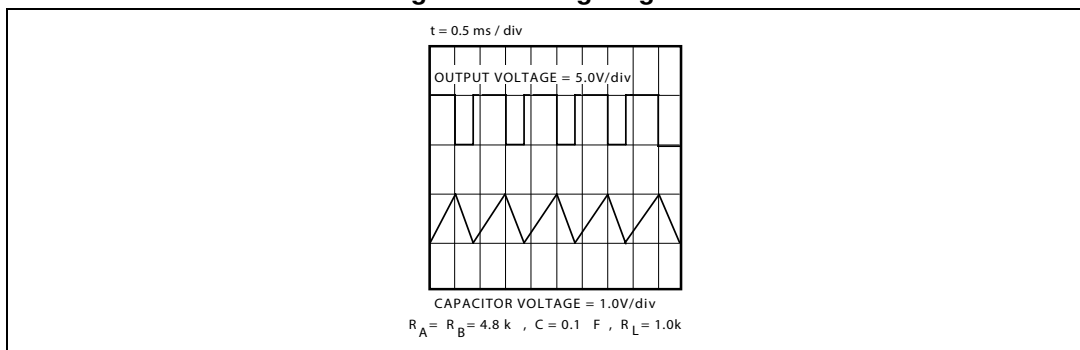
The frequency of oscillation is then:

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

The duty cycle is given by:

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

Figure 7. Timing diagram



5 Package information

In order to meet environmental requirements, ST offers these devices in different grades of ECOPACK packages, depending on their level of environmental compliance. ECOPACK specifications, grade definitions and product status are available at: www.st.com. ECOPACK is an ST trademark.

5.1 SO14 package information

Figure 8. SO14 package outline

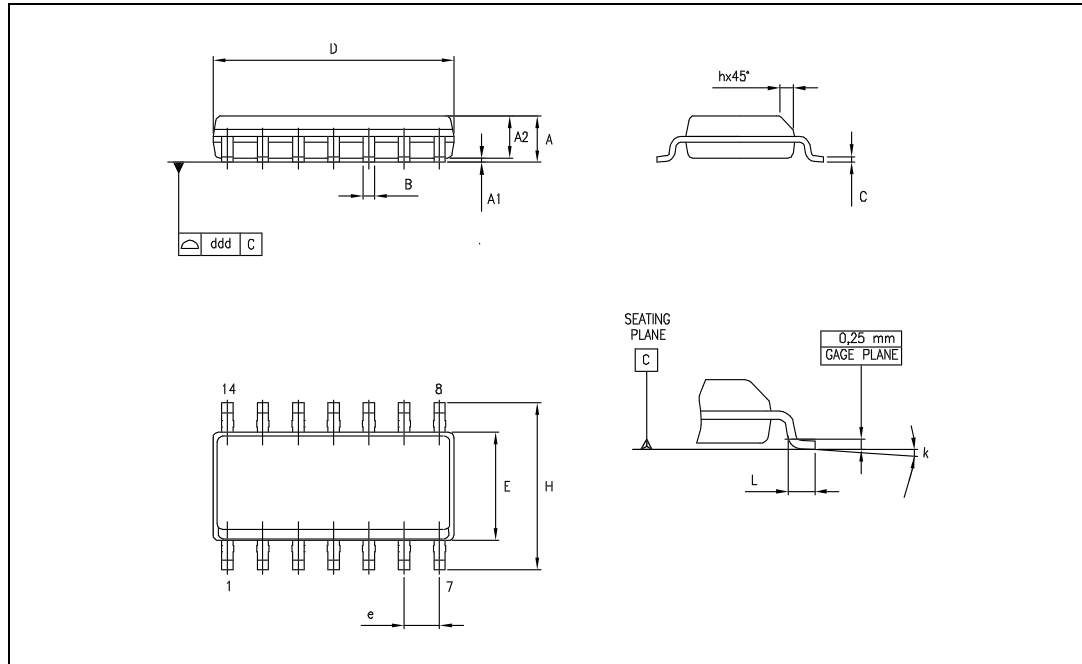


Table 11. SO14 mechanical data

Dimensions						
Ref.	Millimeters			Inches		
	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Min.	Typ.	Max.
A	1.35		1.75	0.05		0.068
A1	0.10		0.25	0.004		0.009
A2	1.10		1.65	0.04		0.06
B	0.33		0.51	0.01		0.02
C	0.19		0.25	0.007		0.009
D	8.55		8.75	0.33		0.34
E	3.80		4.0	0.15		0.15
e		1.27			0.05	
H	5.80		6.20	0.22		0.24
h	0.25		0.50	0.009		0.02
L	0.40		1.27	0.015		0.05
k	8° (max.)					
ddd			0.10			0.004

Note: D and F dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusions. Mold flash or protrusions must not exceed 0.15 mm.

6 Ordering information

Table 12. Order code table

Order code	Temperature range	Package	Packaging	Marking
TS556IDTTR	-40 °C to 125 °C	SO14	Tape and reel	556I

7 Revision history

Table 13. Document revision history

Date	Revision	Changes
01-Feb-2003	1	Initial release.
28-Oct-2008	2	Document reformatted. Added output current, ESD and thermal resistance values in Table 1: Absolute maximum ratings. Added output current values in Table 2: Operating conditions. Updated Section 5.1: DIP14 package information and Section 5.1: SO14 package information.
30-Jun-2015	3	Features and Description: added footnote to NE556 product to explain it is terminated. Removed all references to DIP14 package Removed all temperature ranges except -40 to 125 °C Table 12: Order code table: removed all order codes of revision 2 and added new order code TS556IDTTR.
14-Jan-2025	4	Updated I_{OUT} value in Table 2 .

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