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LM193/LM293/LM393/LM2903 Low Power Low Offset Voltage Dual Comparators

General Description

The LM193 series consists of two independent precision voltage comparators with an offset voltage specification as low as 2.0 mV max for two comparators which were designed specifically to operate from a single power supply over a wide range of voltages. Operation from split power supplies is also possible and the low power supply current drain is independent of the magnitude of the power supply voltage. These comparators also have a unique characteristic in that the input common-mode voltage range includes ground, even though operated from a single power supply voltage.

Application areas include limit comparators, simple analog to digital converters; pulse, squarewave and time delay generators; wide range VCO; MOS clock timers; multivibrators and high voltage digital logic gates. The LM193 series was designed to directly interface with TTL and CMOS. When operated from both plus and minus power supplies, the LM193 series will directly interface with MOS logic where their low power drain is a distinct advantage over standard comparators.

- Reduced V_{OS} drift over temperature
- Eliminates need for dual supplies
- Allows sensing near ground
- Compatible with all forms of logic
- Power drain suitable for battery operation

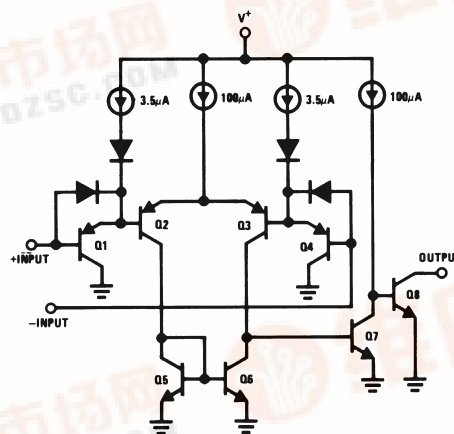
Features

- Wide supply
 - Voltage range: 2.0V to 36V
 - single or dual supplies: $\pm 1.0V$ to $\pm 18V$
- Very low supply current drain (0.4 mA) — independent of supply voltage
- Low input biasing current: 25 nA
- Low input offset current: ± 5 nA
- Maximum offset voltage: ± 3 mV
- Input common-mode voltage range includes ground
- Differential input voltage range equal to the power supply voltage
- Low output saturation voltage, : 250 mV at 4 mA
- Output voltage compatible with TTL, DTL, ECL, MOS and CMOS logic systems

Advantages

- High precision comparators

Schematic and Connection Diagrams



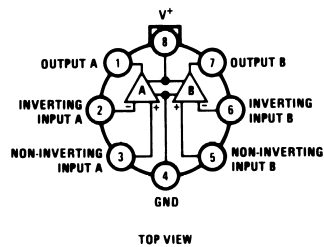
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Schematic and Connection Diagrams (Continued)

Metal Can Package



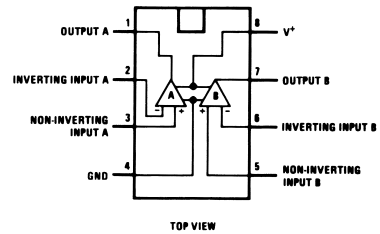
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Order Number LM193H,
LH193H/883 (Note 1), LM193AH-QMLV(Note 2)
M193AH, LM193AH/883,
LM293H, LM293AH, LM393H
or LM393AH
See NS Package Number H08C

Note 1: Also available per JM38510/11202

Note 2: See STD Mil DWG 5962-94526

Dual-In-Line Package



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Order Number LM193J/883 (Note 1),
LM193AJ/883, LM193AJ-QMLV(Note 2)
LM393J, LM393AJ,
LM393M, LM2903M, LM393N,
LM2903J or LM2903N
See NS Package Number J08A,
M08A or N08E

Absolute Maximum Ratings (Note 12)

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

Supply Voltage, V^+	36V
Differential Input Voltage (Note 10)	36V
Input Voltage	-0.3V to +36V
Input Current ($V_{IN} < -0.3V$) (Note 5)	50 mA
Power Dissipation (Note 3)	
Molded DIP	780 mW
Metal Can	660 mW
Small Outline Package	510 mW
Output Short-Circuit to Ground (Note 4)	Continuous
Operating Temperature Range	
LM393/LM393A	0°C to +70°C
LM293/LM293A	-25°C to +85°C

LM193/LM193A	-55°C to +125°C
LM2903	-40°C to +85°C
Storage Temperature Range	-65°C to +150°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 seconds)	+260°C
Soldering Information	
Dual-In-Line Package	
Soldering (10 seconds)	260°C
Small Outline Package	215°C
Vapor Phase (60 seconds)	
Infrared (15 seconds)	220°C
See AN-450 "Surface Mounting Methods and Their Effect on Product Reliability" for other methods of soldering surface mount devices.	
ESD rating (1.5 k Ω in series with 100 pF)	1300V

Electrical Characteristics

($V^+ = 5V$, $T_A = 25^\circ C$, unless otherwise stated)

Parameter	Conditions	LM193A			LM293A, LM393A			Units
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Input Offset Voltage	(Note 11)		1.0	2.0		1.0	2.0	mV
Input Bias Current	$I_{IN}(+)$ or $I_{IN}(-)$ with Output In Linear Range, $V_{CM} = 0V$ (Note 7)		25	100		25	250	nA
Input Offset Current	$I_{IN}(+) - I_{IN}(-)$ $V_{CM} = 0V$		3.0	25		5.0	50	nA
Input Common Mode Voltage Range	$V^+ = 30V$ (Note 8)	0		$V^+ - 1.5$	0		$V^+ - 1.5$	V
Supply Current	$R_L = \infty$ $V^+ = 5V$		0.4	1		0.4	1	mA
	$V^+ = 36V$		1	2.5		1	2.5	
Voltage Gain	$R_L \geq 15 k\Omega$, $V^+ = 15V$ $V_O = 1V$ to $11V$	50	200		50	200		V/mV
Large Signal Response Time	$V_{IN} = \text{TTL Logic Swing}$, $V_{REF} = 1.4V$ $V_{RL} = 5V$, $R_L = 5.1 k\Omega$		300			300		ns
Response Time	$V_{RL} = 5V$, $R_L = 5.1 k\Omega$ (Note 9)		1.3			1.3		μs
Output Sink Current	$V_{IN}(-) = 1V$, $V_{IN}(+) = 0$, $V_O \leq 1.5V$	6.0	16		6.0	16		mA
Saturation Voltage	$V_{IN}(-) = 1V$, $V_{IN}(+) = 0$, $I_{SINK} \leq 4 \text{ mA}$		250	400		250	400	mV
Output Leakage Current	$V_{IN}(-) = 0$, $V_{IN}(+) = 1V$, $V_O = 5V$		0.1			0.1		nA

Electrical Characteristics

($V^+ = 5V$, $T_A = 25^\circ C$, unless otherwise stated)

Parameter	Conditions	LM193			LM293, LM393			LM2903			Units
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Input Offset Voltage	(Note 11)		1.0	5.0		1.0	5.0		2.0	7.0	mV
Input Bias Current	$I_{IN}(+)$ or $I_{IN}(-)$ with Output In Linear Range, $V_{CM} = 0V$ (Note 7)		25	100		25	250		25	250	nA
Input Offset Current	$I_{IN}(+) - I_{IN}(-)$ $V_{CM} = 0V$		3.0	25		5.0	50		5.0	50	nA
Input Common Mode Voltage Range	$V^+ = 30V$ (Note 8)	0		$V^+ - 1.5$	0		$V^+ - 1.5$	0		$V^+ - 1.5$	V
Supply Current	$R_L = \infty$ $V^+ = 5V$		0.4	1		0.4	1		0.4	1.0	mA
	$V^+ = 36V$		1	2.5		1	2.5		1	2.5	

Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

(V⁺=5V, T_A = 25°C, unless otherwise stated)

Parameter	Conditions	LM193			LM293, LM393			LM2903			Units
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Voltage Gain	R _L ≥ 15 kΩ, V ⁺ =15V V _O = 1V to 11V	50	200		50	200		25	100		V/mV
Large Signal Response Time	V _{IN} =TTL Logic Swing, V _{REF} =1.4V V _{RL} =5V, R _L =5.1 kΩ		300			300			300		ns
Response Time	V _{RL} =5V, R _L =5.1 kΩ (Note 9)		1.3			1.3			1.5		μs
Output Sink Current	V _{IN} (-)=1V, V _{IN} (+)=0, V _O ≤1.5V	6.0	16		6.0	16		6.0	16		mA
Saturation Voltage	V _{IN} (-)=1V, V _{IN} (+)=0, I _{SINK} ≤4 mA	250	400		250	400		250	400		mV
Output Leakage Current	V _{IN} (-)=0, V _{IN} (+)=1V, V _O =5V	0.1			0.1			0.1			nA

Electrical Characteristics

(V⁺ = 5V) (Note 6)

Parameter	Conditions	LM193A			LM293A, LM393A			Units
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Input Offset Voltage	(Note 11)			4.0			4.0	mV
Input Offset Current	I _{IN(+)} -I _{IN(-)} , V _{CM} =0V			100			150	nA
Input Bias Current	I _{IN(+)} or I _{IN(-)} with Output in Linear Range, V _{CM} =0V (Note 7)			300			400	nA
Input Common Mode Voltage Range	V ⁺ =30V (Note 8)	0		V ⁺ -2.0	0		V ⁺ -2.0	V
Saturation Voltage	V _{IN} (-)=1V, V _{IN} (+)=0, I _{SINK} ≤4 mA			700			700	mV
Output Leakage Current	V _{IN} (-)=0, V _{IN} (+)=1V, V _O =30V			1.0			1.0	μA
Differential Input Voltage	Keep All V _{IN} 's ≥ 0V (or V ⁻ , if Used), (Note 10)			36			36	V

Electrical Characteristics

(V⁺ = 5V) (Note 6)

Parameter	Conditions	LM193			LM293, LM393			LM2903			Units
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Input Offset Voltage	(Note 11)			9			9		9	15	mV
Input Offset Current	I _{IN(+)} -I _{IN(-)} , V _{CM} =0V			100			150		50	200	nA
Input Bias Current	I _{IN(+)} or I _{IN(-)} with Output in Linear Range, V _{CM} =0V (Note 7)			300			400		200	500	nA
Input Common Mode Voltage Range	V ⁺ =30V (Note 8)	0		V ⁺ -2.0	0		V ⁺ -2.0	0		V ⁺ -2.0	V
Saturation Voltage	V _{IN} (-)=1V, V _{IN} (+)=0, I _{SINK} ≤4 mA			700			700		400	700	mV
Output Leakage Current	V _{IN} (-)=0, V _{IN} (+)=1V, V _O =30V			1.0			1.0		1.0		μA
Differential Input Voltage	Keep All V _{IN} 's ≥ 0V (or V ⁻ , if Used), (Note 10)			36			36		36		V

Note 3: For operating at high temperatures, the LM393/LM393A and LM2903 must be derated based on a 125°C maximum junction temperature and a thermal resistance of 170°C/W which applies for the device soldered in a printed circuit board, operating in a still air ambient. The LM193/LM193A/LM293/LM293A must be derated based on a 150°C maximum junction temperature. The low bias dissipation and the "ON-OFF" characteristic of the outputs keeps the chip dissipation very small (P_D≤100 mW), provided the output transistors are allowed to saturate.

Note 4: Short circuits from the output to V⁺ can cause excessive heating and eventual destruction. When considering short circuits to ground, the maximum output current is approximately 20 mA independent of the magnitude of V⁺.

Note 5: This input current will only exist when the voltage at any of the input leads is driven negative. It is due to the collector-base junction of the input PNP transistors becoming forward biased and thereby acting as input diode clamps. In addition to this diode action, there is also lateral NPN parasitic transistor action on the IC chip. This transistor action can cause the output voltages of the comparators to go to the V⁺ voltage level (or to ground for a large overdrive) for the time duration that an input is driven negative. This is not destructive and normal output states will re-establish when the input voltage, which was negative, again returns to a value greater than -0.3V.

Note 6: These specifications are limited to -55°C≤T_A≤+125°C, for the LM193/LM193A. With the LM293/LM293A all temperature specifications are limited to -25°C≤T_A≤+85°C and the LM393/LM393A temperature specifications are limited to 0°C≤T_A≤+70°C. The LM2903 is limited to -40°C≤T_A≤+85°C.

Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

Note 7: The direction of the input current is out of the IC due to the PNP input stage. This current is essentially constant, independent of the state of the output so no loading change exists on the reference or input lines.

Note 8: The input common-mode voltage or either input signal voltage should not be allowed to go negative by more than 0.3V. The upper end of the common-mode voltage range is $V^+ - 1.5V$ at 25°C, but either or both inputs can go to 36V without damage, independent of the magnitude of V^+ .

Note 9: The response time specified is for a 100 mV input step with 5 mV overdrive. For larger overdrive signals 300 ns can be obtained, see typical performance characteristics section.

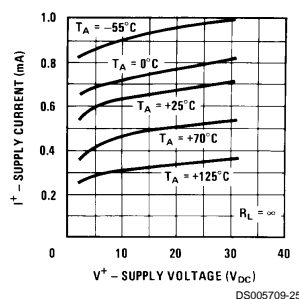
Note 10: Positive excursions of input voltage may exceed the power supply level. As long as the other voltage remains within the common-mode range, the comparator will provide a proper output state. The low input voltage state must not be less than $-0.3V$ (or 0.3V below the magnitude of the negative power supply, if used).

Note 11: At output switch point, $V_O \approx 1.4V$, $R_S = 0\Omega$ with V^+ from 5V to 30V; and over the full input common-mode range (0V to $V^+ - 1.5V$), at 25°C.

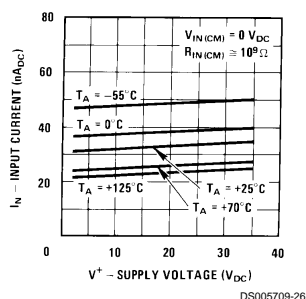
Note 12: Refer to RETS193AX for LM193AH military specifications and to RETS193X for LM193H military specifications.

Typical Performance Characteristics LM193/LM293/LM393, LM193A/LM293A/LM393A

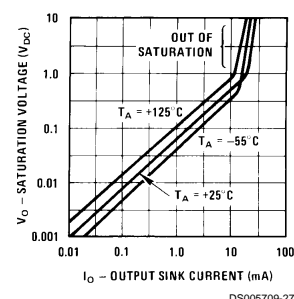
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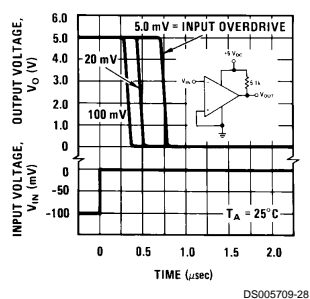
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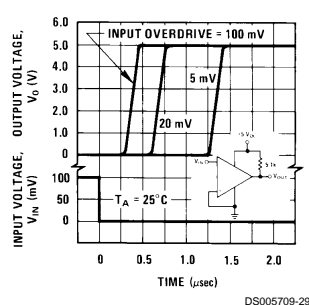
Output Saturation Voltage



Response Time for Various Input Overdrives — Negative Transition

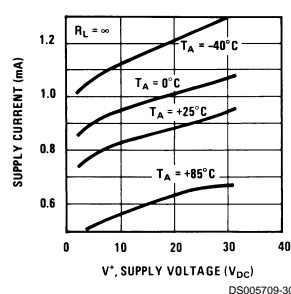


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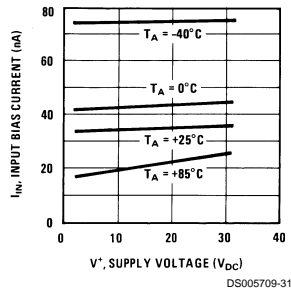


Typical Performance Characteristics LM2903

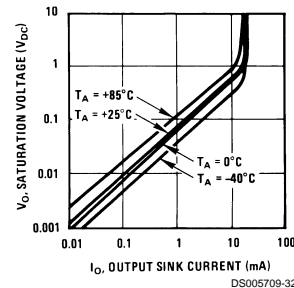
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Input Current

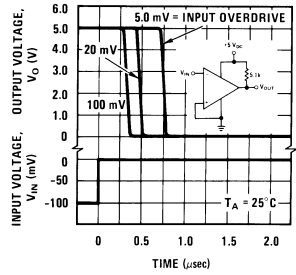


Output Saturation Voltage

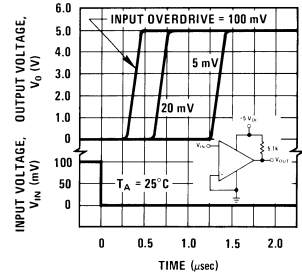


Typical Performance Characteristics LM2903 (Continued)

Response Time for Various Input Overdrives — Negative Transition



Response Time for Various Input Overdrives — Positive Transition



Application Hints

The LM193 series are high gain, wide bandwidth devices which, like most comparators, can easily oscillate if the output lead is inadvertently allowed to capacitively couple to the inputs via stray capacitance. This shows up only during the output voltage transition intervals as the comparator change states. Power supply bypassing is not required to solve this problem. Standard PC board layout is helpful as it reduces stray input-output coupling. Reducing the input resistors to $< 10\text{ k}\Omega$ reduces the feedback signal levels and finally, adding even a small amount (1.0 to 10 mV) of positive feedback (hysteresis) causes such a rapid transition that oscillations due to stray feedback are not possible. Simply socketing the IC and attaching resistors to the pins will cause input-output oscillations during the small transition intervals unless hysteresis is used. If the input signal is a pulse waveform, with relatively fast rise and fall times, hysteresis is not required.

All pins of any unused comparators should be grounded.

The bias network of the LM193 series establishes a drain current which is independent of the magnitude of the power supply voltage over the range of from 2.0 V_{DC} to 30 V_{DC} .

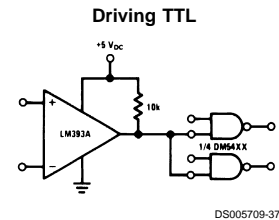
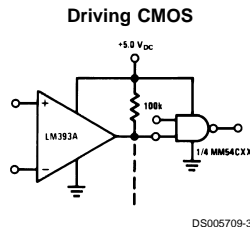
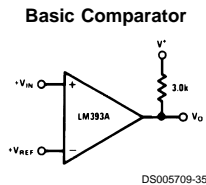
It is usually unnecessary to use a bypass capacitor across the power supply line.

The differential input voltage may be larger than V^+ without damaging the device (Note 10). Protection should be pro-

vided to prevent the input voltages from going negative more than -0.3 V_{DC} (at 25°C). An input clamp diode can be used as shown in the applications section.

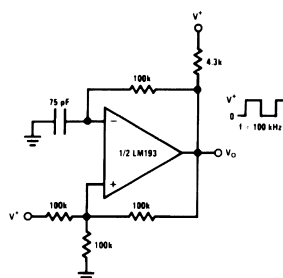
The output of the LM193 series is the uncommitted collector of a grounded-emitter NPN output transistor. Many collectors can be tied together to provide an output OR'ing function. An output pull-up resistor can be connected to any available power supply voltage within the permitted supply voltage range and there is no restriction on this voltage due to the magnitude of the voltage which is applied to the V^+ terminal of the LM193 package. The output can also be used as a simple SPST switch to ground (when a pull-up resistor is not used). The amount of current which the output device can sink is limited by the drive available (which is independent of V^+) and the β of this device. When the maximum current limit is reached (approximately 16 mA), the output transistor will come out of saturation and the output voltage will rise very rapidly. The output saturation voltage is limited by the approximately $60\Omega\text{ }r_{SAT}$ of the output transistor. The low offset voltage of the output transistor (1.0 mV) allows the output to clamp essentially to ground level for small load currents.

Typical Applications ($V^+ = 5.0\text{ V}_{DC}$)



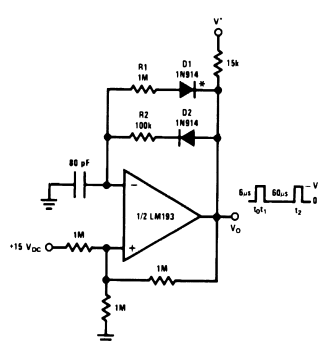
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Squarewave Oscillator



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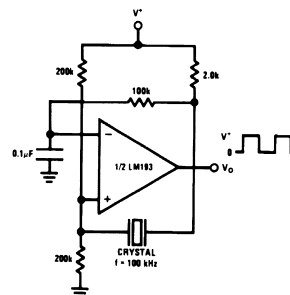
Pulse Generator



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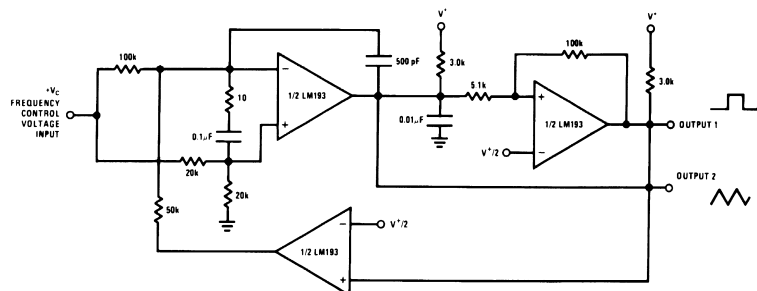
* For large ratios of R_1/R_2 ,
D1 can be omitted.

Crystal Controlled Oscillator



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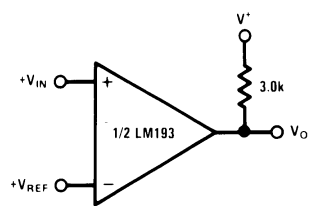
Two-Decade High Frequency VCO



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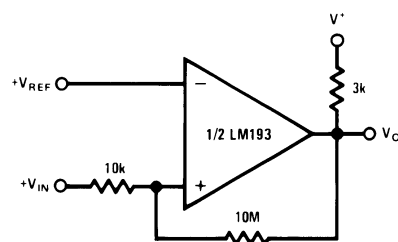
$V^+=+30\text{ V}_{\text{DC}}$
 $+250\text{ mV}_{\text{DC}} \leq V_{\text{C}} \leq +50\text{ V}_{\text{DC}}$
 $700\text{ Hz} \leq f_{\text{C}} \leq 100\text{ kHz}$

Basic Comparator



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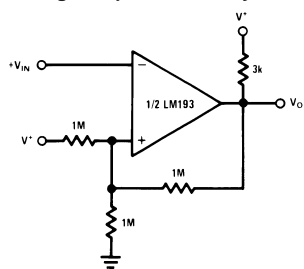
Non-Inverting Comparator with Hysteresis



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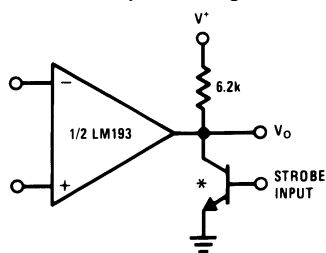
Typical Applications ($V^+ = 5.0\text{ V}_{\text{DC}}$) (Continued)

Inverting Comparator with Hysteresis



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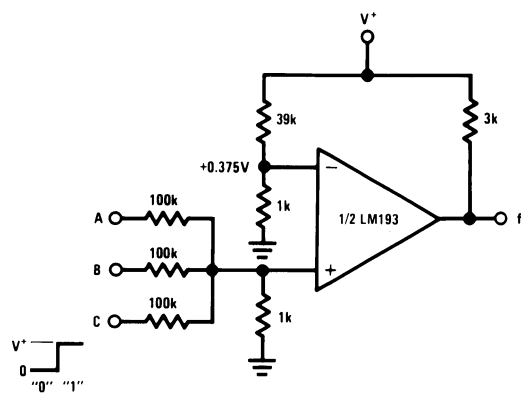
Output Strobing



* OR LOGIC GATE
WITHOUT PULL-UP RESISTOR

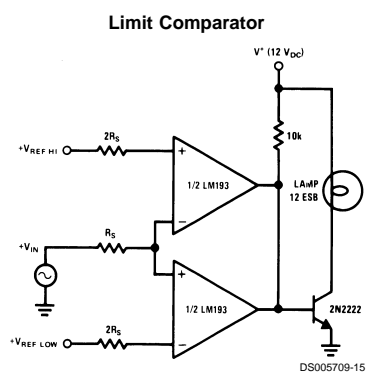
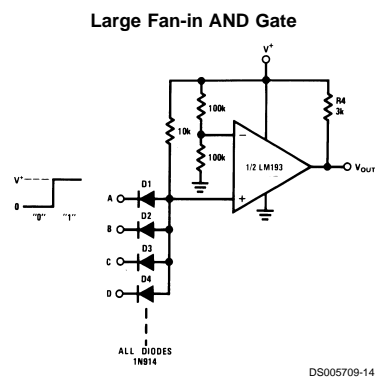
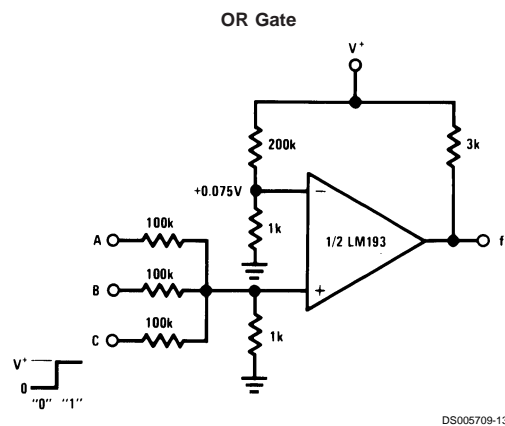
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AND Gate



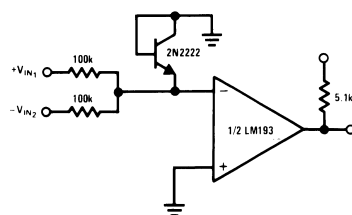
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Typical Applications ($V^+=5.0\text{ V}_{\text{DC}}$) (Continued)



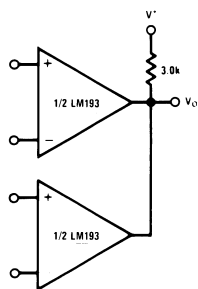
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Comparing Input Voltages
of Opposite Polarity



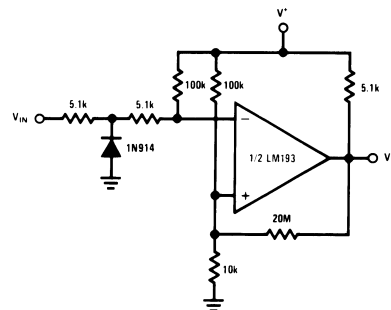
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ORing the Outputs



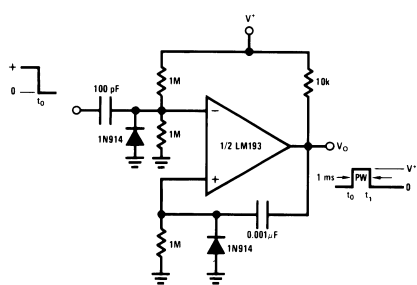
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Zero Crossing Detector (Single Power Supply)



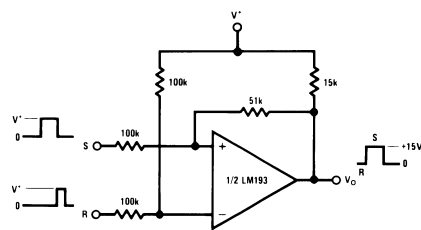
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One-Shot Multivibrator



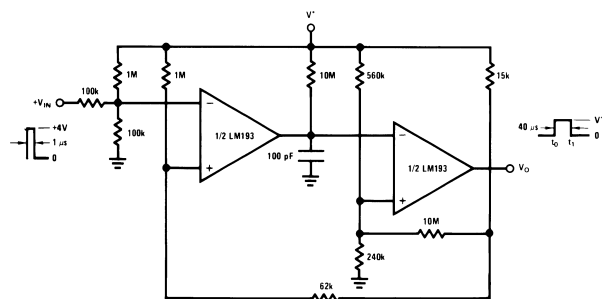
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Bi-Stable Multivibrator



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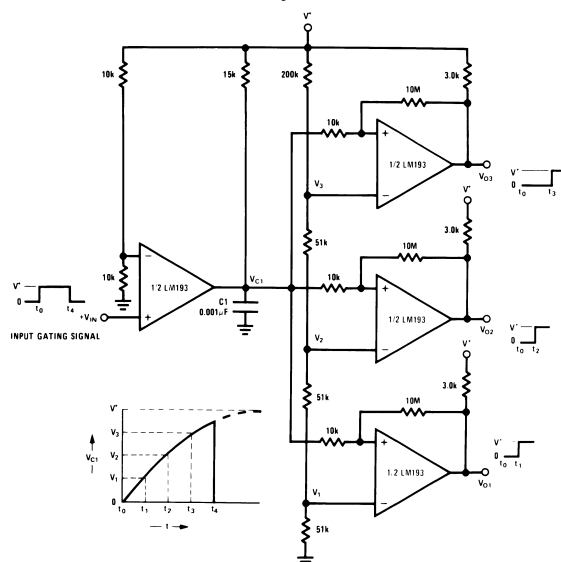
One-Shot Multivibrator with Input Lock Out



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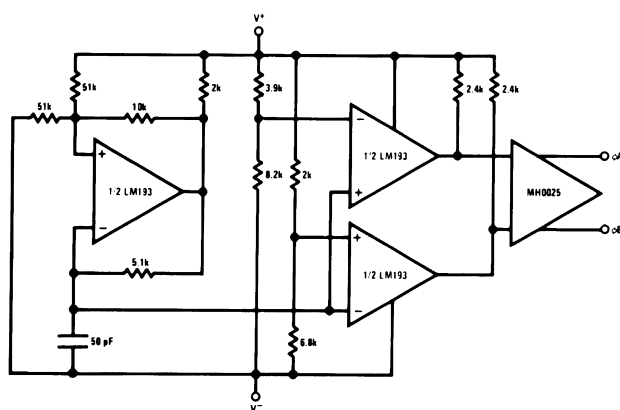
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Time Delay Generator

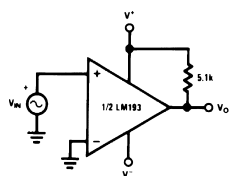


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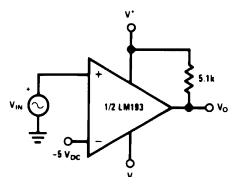
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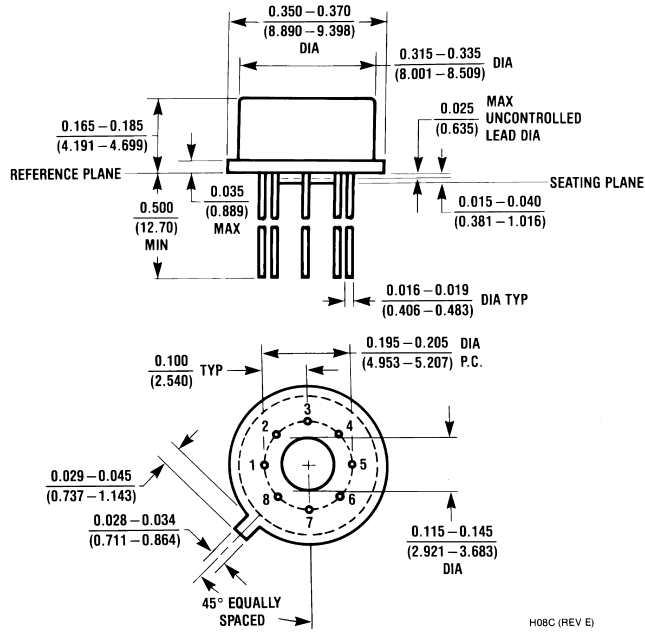


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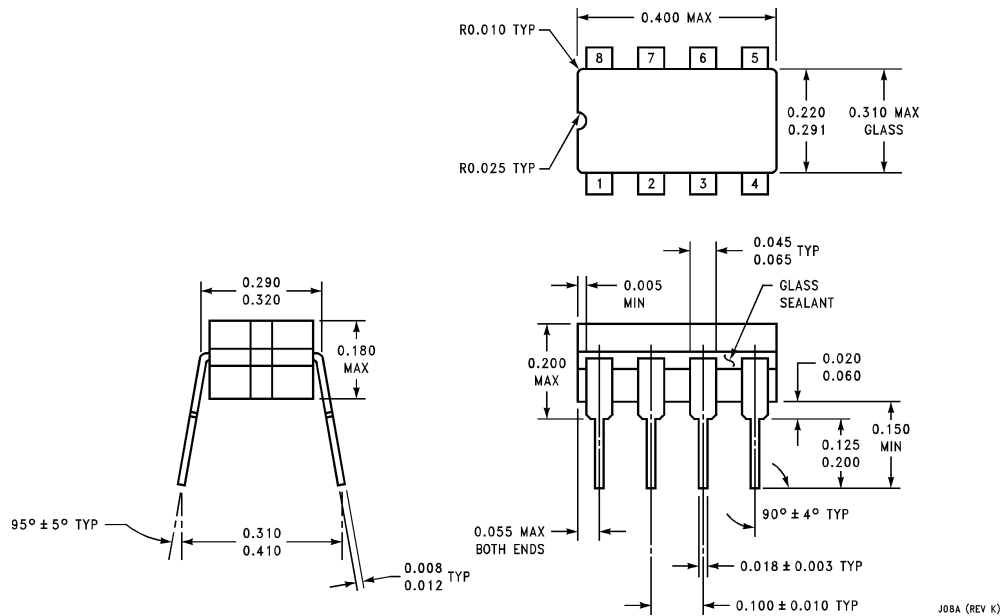
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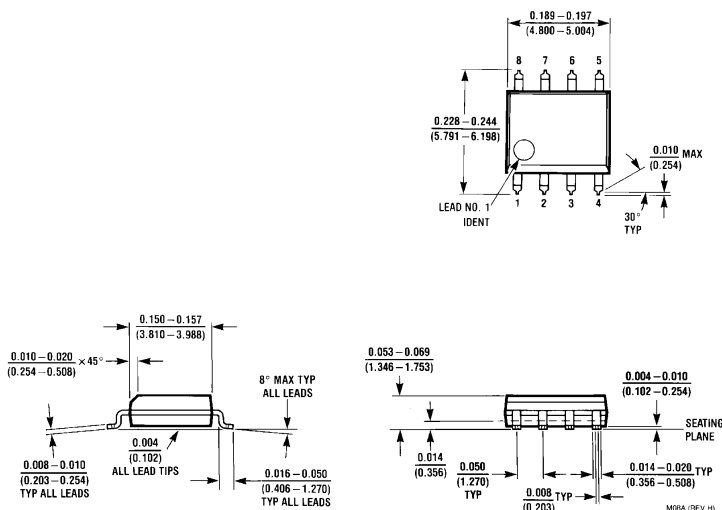
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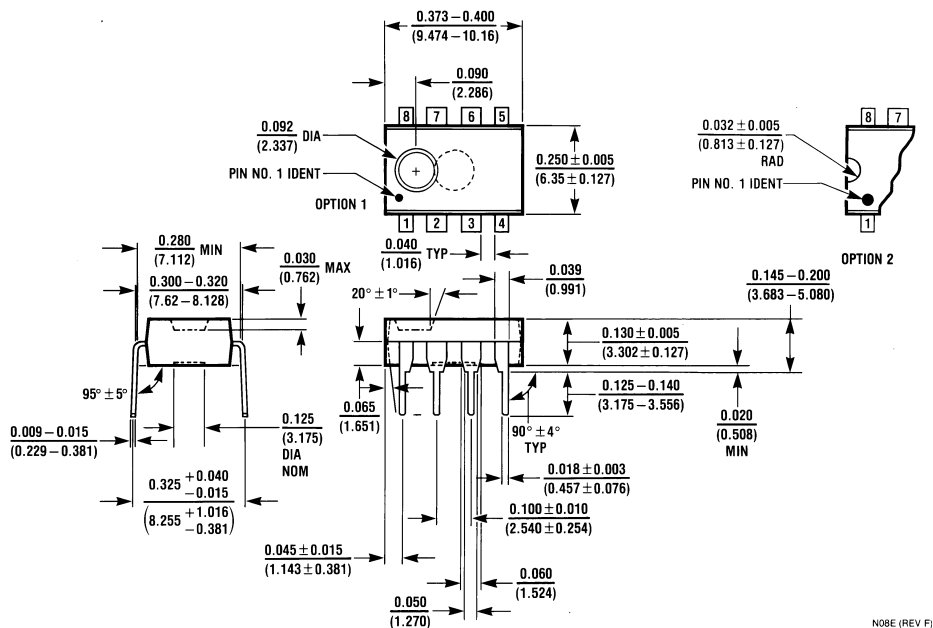
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NS Package Number J08A

Physical Dimensions inches (millimeters) unless otherwise noted (Continued)

Order Number LM393M or LM2903M
NS Package Number M08A



Molded Dual-In-Line Package (N)
Order Numbers LM393N or LM2903N
NS Package N08E

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