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## NTE74123 Integrated Circuit TTL – Retriggerable Monostable Multivibrator with Clear

### **Description:**

The NTE74123 is a retriggerable monostable multivibrator in a 16-Lead plastic DIP type package that features output pulse width control by three methods. The basic pulse time is programmed by selection of external resistance and capacitance values. Once triggered, the basic pulse width may be extended by retriggering the gated low-level-active (A) or high-level-active (B) inputs, or be reduced by use of the overriding clear.

### **Features:**

- Overriding Clear Terminates Output Pulse
- Compensated for  $V_{CC}$  and Temperature Variations
- DC Triggered from Active-HIGH Transition or Active-LOW Transition Inputs
- DC Retriggerable from Active-High or Active-Low Gated Logic Inputs
- Retriggerable for Very Long Output Pulses, up to 100% Duty Cycle

### **Recommended Operating Conditions:**

Parameter	Symbol	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Supply Voltage	$V_{CC}$	4.75	5.0	5.25	V
High-Level Output Current	$I_{OH}$	–	–	–800	$\mu A$
Low-Level Output Current	$I_{OL}$	–	–	16	mA
Pulse Width	$t_w$	40	–	–	ns
External Timing Resistance	$R_{ext}$	5	–	50	$k\Omega$
External Capacitance	$C_{ext}$	No Restriction			
Wiring Capacitance at $R_{ext}/C_{ext}$ Terminal		–	–	50	pF
Operating Temperature Range	$T_A$	0	–	+70	$^{\circ}C$

**Electrical Characteristics:** (Note 2, Note 3)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit	
High Level Input Voltage	$V_{IH}$		2	–	–	V	
Low Level Input Voltage	$V_{IL}$		–	–	0.8	V	
Input Clamp Voltage	$V_{IK}$	$V_{CC} = \text{MIN}, I_I = -12\text{mA}$	–	–	-1.5	V	
High Level Output Voltage	$V_{OH}$	$V_{CC} = \text{MIN}, V_{IL} = \text{MAX}, V_{IH} = 2\text{V}, I_{OH} = -800\mu\text{A}$	2.4	3.4	–	V	
Low Level Output Voltage	$V_{OL}$	$V_{CC} = \text{MIN}, V_{IH} = 2\text{V}, V_{IL} = \text{MAX}, I_{OL} = 16\text{mA}$	–	0.2	0.4	V	
Input Current	$I_I$	$V_{CC} = \text{MAX}, V_I = 5.5\text{V}$	–	–	1	mA	
High Level Input Current	$I_{IH}$	$V_{CC} = \text{MAX}, V_I = 2.4\text{V}$	Data Inputs	–	–	40	$\mu\text{A}$
			Clear Inputs	–	–	80	$\mu\text{A}$
Low Level Input Current	$I_{IL}$	$V_{CC} = \text{MAX}, V_I = 0.4\text{V}$	Data Inputs	–	–	-1.6	$\mu\text{A}$
			Clear Inputs	–	–	-3.2	$\mu\text{A}$
Short-Circuit Output Current	$I_{OS}$	$V_{CC} = \text{MAX}, \text{Note 4}$	-10	–	-40	mA	
Supply Current	$I_{CC}$	$V_{CC} = \text{MAX}, \text{Note 5}$	–	46	66	mA	

Note 2. For conditions shown as MIN or MAX, use the appropriate value specified under “Recommended Operation Conditions”.

Note 3. All typical values are at  $V_{CC} = 5\text{V}, T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$ .

Note 4. Not more than one output should be shorted at a time, and the duration of the short-circuit should not exceed one second.

Note 5. With all outputs open and 4.5V applied to all data and clear inputs,  $I_{CC}$  is measured after a momentary GND, then 4.5V is applied to clock.

**Switching Characteristics:** ( $V_{CC} = 5\text{V}, T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Propagation Delay Time (From A Input to Q Output) (From B Input to Q Output) (From A Input to $\bar{Q}$ Output) (From B Input to $\bar{Q}$ Output)	$t_{PLH}$	$C_{ext} = 0, R_{ext} = 5\text{k}\Omega,$ $R_L = 400\Omega, C_L = 15\text{pF}$	–	22	33	ns
			–	19	28	ns
	$t_{PHL}$		–	30	40	ns
			–	27	36	ns
Propagation Delay Time (From Clear Input to Q Output) (From Clear Input to $\bar{Q}$ Output)	$t_{PLH}$		–	18	27	ns
	$t_{PHL}$		–	30	40	ns
Pulse Width (From A or B Input to Q Output)	$t_{wQ(\text{min})}$		–	45	65	ns
Pulse Width (From A or B Input to Q Output)	$t_{wQ}$	$C_{ext} = 1000\text{pF}, R_{ext} = 10\text{k}\Omega,$ $R_L = 400\Omega, C_L = 15\text{pF}$	2.76	3.03	3.37	$\mu\text{s}$

**Typical Application Data:**

The output pulse  $t_W$  is a function of the external components,  $C_{ext}$  and  $R_{int}$ . For values of  $C_{ext} \geq 1000\text{pF}$ , the output pulse at  $V_{CC} = 5\text{V}$  and  $V_{RC} = 5\text{V}$  is given by:

$$t_W = K R_{ext} C_{ext} \text{ where } K \text{ is nominally } 0.45$$

If  $C_{ext}$  is in pF and  $R_{ext}$  is in  $\text{k}\Omega$  then  $t_W$  is in nanoseconds.

The  $C_{ext}$  terminal is an internal connection to GND, however for the best system performance  $C_{ext}$  should be hard-wired to GND.

Care should be taken to keep  $R_{ext}$  and  $C_{ext}$  as close to the monostable as possible with a minimum amount of inductance between the  $R_{ext}/C_{ext}$  junction and the  $R_{ext}/C_{ext}$  pin. Good groundplane and adequate bypassing should be designed into the system for optimum performance to insure that no false triggering occurs.

**Typical Application Data (Cont'd):**

A switching diode is not needed for electrolytic capacitance and should not be used.

As long as  $C_{ext} \geq 1000pF$  and  $5K \leq R_{ext} \leq 260K$ , the change in K with respect to  $R_{ext}$  is negligible.

If  $C_{ext} \leq 1000pF$ , the pulse width  $t_W$  is nanoseconds is approximated by:

$$t_W = 6 + 0.05 C_{ext} (pF) + 0.45 R_{ext} (k\Omega) C_{ext} + 11.6 R_{ext}$$

In order to trim the output pulse width, it is necessary to include a variable resistor between  $V_{CC}$  and the  $R_{ext}$  pin.  $R_{ext}$  remote should be kept as close to the monostable as possible.

Retriggering of the part must not occur before  $C_{ext}$  is discharged or trigger pulse will not have any effect. The discharge time of  $C_{ext}$  in nanoseconds is guaranteed to be less than  $0.22 C_{ext}$  (pF) and is typically  $0.05 C_{ext}$  (pF).

For the smallest possible deviation in output pulse widths from various devices, it is suggested that  $C_{ext}$  be kept  $\geq 1000pF$ .

**Function Table:**

Inputs			Outputs	
Clear	A	B	Q	Q
L	X	X	L	H
X	H	X	L †	H †
X	X	L	L †	H †
H	L	↑		
H	↓	H		
↑	L	H		

† These lines of the functional table assume that the indicated steady-state conditions at the A and B inputs have been set up long enough to complete any pulse started before the set up.

### Pin Connection Diagram

