

LM2907 and LM2917 Frequency to Voltage Converter

1 Features

- Ground Referenced Tachometer Input Interfaces Directly With Variable Reluctance Magnetic Pickups
- Op Amp Has Floating Transistor Output
- 50-mA Sink or Source to Operate Relays, Solenoids, Meters, or LEDs
- Frequency Doubling For Low Ripple
- Tachometer Has Built-In Hysteresis With Either Differential Input or Ground Referenced Input
- $\pm 0.3\%$ Linearity (Typical)
- Ground-Referenced Tachometer is Fully Protected From Damage Due to Swings Above V_{CC} and Below Ground
- Output Swings to Ground For Zero Frequency Input
- Easy to Use; $V_{OUT} = f_{IN} \times V_{CC} \times R1 \times C1$
- Zener Regulator on Chip allows Accurate and Stable Frequency to Voltage or Current Conversion (LM2917)

2 Applications

- Over- and Under-Speed Sensing
- Frequency-to-Voltage Conversion (Tachometer)
- Speedometers
- Breaker Point Dwell Meters
- Hand-Held Tachometers
- Speed Governors
- Cruise Control
- Automotive Door Lock Control
- Clutch Control
- Horn Control
- Touch or Sound Switches

3 Description

The LM2907 and LM2917 devices are monolithic frequency-to-voltage converters with a high gain op amp designed to operate a relay, lamp, or other load when the input frequency reaches or exceeds a selected rate. The tachometer uses a charge pump technique and offers frequency doubling for low-ripple, full-input protection in two versions (8-pin LM2907 and LM2917), and its output swings to ground for a zero frequency input.

The op amp is fully compatible with the tachometer and has a floating transistor as its output. This feature allows either a ground or supply referred load of up to 50 mA. The collector may be taken above V_{CC} up to a maximum V_{CE} of 28 V.

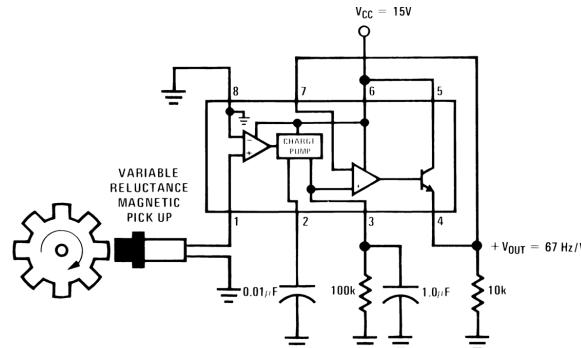
The two basic configurations offered include an 8-pin device with a *ground-referenced tachometer* input and an internal connection between the tachometer output and the op amp noninverting input. This version is well suited for single speed or frequency switching or fully buffered frequency-to-voltage conversion applications.

Device Information⁽¹⁾

| PART NUMBER | PACKAGE | BODY SIZE (NOM) |
|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| LM2907-N, LM2917-N | PDIP (8) | 6.35 mm x 9.81 mm |
| | PDIP (14) | 6.35 mm x 19.177 mm |
| | SOIC (8) | 3.91 mm x 4.90 mm |
| | SOIC (14) | 3.91 mm x 8.65 mm |

(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the data sheet.

Minimum Component Tachometer Diagram



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4 Revision History

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| Changes from Revision C (March 2013) to Revision D | Page |
|---|------|
| • Added <i>Device Information</i> table, <i>Pin Configuration and Functions</i> section, <i>ESD Ratings</i> table, <i>Recommended Operating Conditions</i> table, <i>Thermal Information</i> table, <i>Parameter Measurement Information</i> section, <i>Detailed Description</i> section, <i>Application and Implementation</i> section, <i>Power Supply Recommendations</i> section, <i>Layout</i> section, <i>Device and Documentation Support</i> section, and <i>Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information</i> section..... | 1 |
| • Deleted Built-In Zener on LM2917 from <i>Features</i> | 1 |
| • Deleted Only One RC Network Provides Frequency Doubling from <i>Features</i> | 1 |
| • Added <i>Thermal Information</i> table | 6 |
| • Changed tablenote text From: C2 = 0.22 mFd To: C2 = 0.22 μ F | 6 |

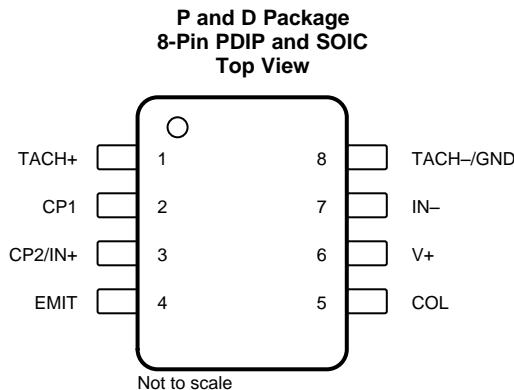
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| • Changed layout of National Semiconductor Data Sheet to TI format | 1 |

5 Description (continued)

The more versatile configurations provide differential tachometer input and uncommitted op amp inputs. With this version the tachometer input may be floated and the op amp becomes suitable for active filter conditioning of the tachometer output.

Both of these configurations are available with an active shunt regulator connected across the power leads. The regulator clamps the supply such that stable frequency-to-voltage and frequency-to-current operations are possible with any supply voltage and a suitable resistor.

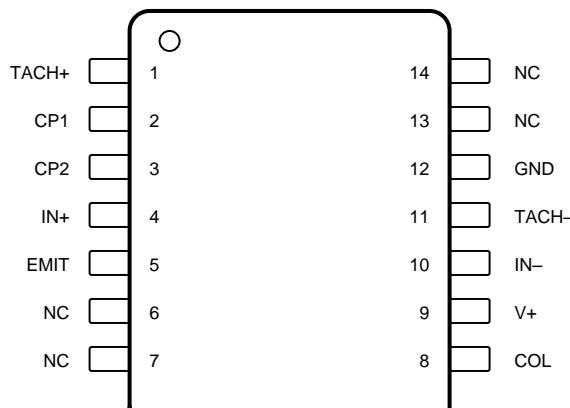
6 Pin Configuration and Functions



Pin Functions: 8 Pins

| PIN | | I/O | DESCRIPTION |
|-----------|-----|-----|--|
| NAME | NO. | | |
| COL | 5 | I | The collector of the bipolar junction transistor |
| CP1 | 2 | O | A capacitor placed on this pin will be charged up to $V_{CC}/2$ by a constant current source of 180 μA typical at the start of every positive half cycle. At the beginning of negative half cycles this capacitor is discharged the same amount at the same rate. |
| CP2/IN+ | 3 | I/O | See pins CP1 and IN+. On 8-pin devices (8-pin LM2907 and LM2917) these two nodes share a pin and are internally connected. |
| EMIT | 4 | O | The emitter of the bipolar junction transistor |
| GND | — | G | Ground |
| IN+ | — | I | The noninverting input to the high gain op amp |
| IN- | 7 | I | The inverting input to the high gain op amp |
| NC | — | — | No connect |
| TACH+ | 1 | I | Positive terminal for the input signal that leads to the noninverting terminal of the internal Schmitt-Trigger comparator. |
| TACH-/GND | 8 | I | Negative terminal for the input signal that leads to the noninverting terminal of the internal Schmitt-Trigger comparator. (NOTE: On 8-pin devices, LM2907 and LM2917, this pin is internally connected to ground and must be tied to ground externally to provide the reference voltage of the device). |
| V+ | 6 | I | Supply voltage |

**NFF and D Package
14-Pin PDIP and SOIC
Top View**



Not to scale

Pin Functions: 14 Pins

| PIN | | I/O | DESCRIPTION |
|-------------|--------------|------------|--|
| NAME | NO. | | |
| COL | 8 | I | The collector of the bipolar junction transistor |
| CP1 | 2 | O | A capacitor placed on this pin will be charged up to $V_{CC}/2$ by a constant current source of $180 \mu A$ typical at the start of every positive half cycle. At the beginning of negative half cycles this capacitor is discharged the same amount at the same rate. |
| CP2 | 3 | O | The charge pump sources current out of this pin equal to the absolute value of the capacitor current on CP1. A resistor and capacitor in parallel connected to this pin filters the current pulses into the output voltage. |
| EMIT | 5 | O | The emitter of the bipolar junction transistor |
| GND | 12 | G | Ground |
| IN+ | 4 | I | The noninverting input to the high gain op amp |
| IN- | 10 | I | The inverting input to the high gain op amp |
| NC | 6, 7, 13, 14 | — | No connect |
| TACH+ | 1 | I | Positive terminal for the input signal that leads to the noninverting terminal of the internal Schmitt-Trigger comparator. |
| TACH- | 11 | I | Negative terminal for the input signal that leads to the noninverting terminal of the internal Schmitt-Trigger comparator. |
| V+ | 9 | I | Supply voltage |

7 Specifications

7.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

| | | MIN | MAX | UNIT |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----|------|
| Supply voltage | | 28 | V | |
| Supply current (Zener options) | | 25 | mA | |
| Collector voltage | | 28 | V | |
| Differential input voltage | Tachometer, op amp, and comparator | 28 | V | |
| Input voltage | Tachometer | LM2907 (8), LM2917 (8) | -28 | 28 |
| | | LM2907 (14), LM2917 (14) | 0 | 28 |
| Op amp and comparator | | 0 | 28 | V |
| Power dissipation | LM29x7 (8) | 1200 | | mW |
| | LM29x7 (14) | 1580 | | |
| Soldering information | PDIP package | Soldering (10 s) | 260 | °C |
| | SOIC package | Vapor phase (60 s) | 215 | |
| Infrared (15 s) | | 220 | | |
| Operating temperature, T _J | | -40 | 85 | °C |
| Storage temperature, T _{stg} | | -65 | 150 | °C |

- (1) Stresses beyond those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under [Recommended Operating Conditions](#). Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.
- (2) If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the Texas Instruments Sales Office/Distributors for availability and specifications.

7.2 ESD Ratings

| | | VALUE | UNIT |
|--------------------|-------------------------|--|-------|
| V _(ESD) | Electrostatic discharge | Human-body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JESD22-A114 ⁽¹⁾ | ±1000 |
| | | Charged-device model (CDM), per JEDEC specification JESD22-C101 ⁽²⁾ | ±250 |

- (1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.
- (2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

7.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

| | | MIN | NOM | MAX | UNIT |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|
| Input voltage | LM2907 (8), LM2917 (8) | -28 | | 28 | V |
| | LM2907 (14), LM2917 (14) | 0 | | 28 | V |
| Output sink current | | | 50 | | mA |

7.4 Thermal Information

| THERMAL METRIC ⁽¹⁾ | LM2907, LM2917 | | | | UNIT | |
|-------------------------------|--|----------|------------|----------|------|------|
| | P (PDIP) | D (SOIC) | NFF (PDIP) | D (SOIC) | | |
| | 8 PINS | 8 PINS | 14 PINS | 14 PINS | | |
| R _{θJA} | Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance | 77.6 | 110 | 69.1 | 83.7 | °C/W |
| R _{θJC(top)} | Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance | 80.5 | 53.9 | 64.8 | 42.1 | °C/W |
| R _{θJB} | Junction-to-board thermal resistance | 54.8 | 50.4 | 49.1 | 38 | °C/W |
| Ψ _{JT} | Junction-to-top characterization parameter | 37.6 | 9.1 | 35.1 | 7.7 | °C/W |
| Ψ _{JB} | Junction-to-board characterization parameter | 54.8 | 49.9 | 49 | 37.7 | °C/W |
| R _{θJC(bot)} | Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance | — | — | — | — | °C/W |

- (1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the [Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics](#) application report.

7.5 Electrical Characteristics

V_{CC} = 12 V_{DC}, T_A = 25°C, see test circuit

| PARAMETER | TEST CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNIT |
|---------------------------------|--|-----|----------------------|-----|-------|
| TACHOMETER | | | | | |
| Input thresholds | V _{IN} = 250 mVp-p at 1 kHz ⁽¹⁾ | ±10 | ±25 | ±40 | mV |
| Hysteresis | V _{IN} = 250 mVp-p at 1 kHz ⁽¹⁾ | | 30 | | mV |
| LM29x7 offset voltage | V _{IN} = 250 mVp-p at 1 kHz ⁽¹⁾ | | 3.5 | 10 | mV |
| | V _{IN} = 250 mVp-p at 1 kHz (8-pin LM29x7) ⁽¹⁾ | | 5 | 15 | |
| Input bias current | V _{IN} = ±50 mV _{DC} | | 0.1 | 1 | µA |
| V _{OH} | For CP1, V _{IN} = 125 mV _{DC} ⁽²⁾ | | 8.3 | | V |
| V _{OL} | For CP1, V _{IN} = -125 mV _{DC} ⁽²⁾ | | 2.3 | | V |
| I ₂ , I ₃ | V ₂ = V ₃ = 6 V ⁽³⁾ | 140 | 180 | 240 | µA |
| I ₃ | I ₂ = 0, V ₃ = 0 | | | 0.1 | µA |
| K | See ⁽²⁾ | 0.9 | 1 | 1.1 | |
| Linearity | f _{IN} = 1 kHz, 5 kHz, or 10 kHz ⁽⁴⁾ | -1% | 0.3% | 1% | |
| OP AMP AND COMPARATOR | | | | | |
| V _{OS} | V _{IN} = 6 V | | 3 | 10 | mV |
| I _{BIAS} | V _{IN} = 6 V | | 50 | 500 | nA |
| Input common-mode voltage | | 0 | V _{CC} -1.5 | | V |
| Voltage gain | | | 200 | | V/mV |
| Output sink current | V _C = 1 | 40 | 50 | | mA |
| Output source current | V _E = V _{CC} - 2 | | 10 | | mA |
| Saturation voltage | I _{SINK} = 5 mA | | 0.1 | 0.5 | V |
| | I _{SINK} = 20 mA | | | 1 | V |
| | I _{SINK} = 50 mA | | 1 | 1.5 | V |
| ZENER REGULATOR | | | | | |
| Regulator voltage | R _{DROP} = 470 Ω | | 7.56 | | V |
| Series resistance | | | 10.5 | 15 | Ω |
| Temperature stability | | | 1 | | mV/°C |
| Total supply current | | | 3.8 | 6 | mA |

- (1) Hysteresis is the sum V_{TH} – (-V_{TH}), offset voltage is their difference. See test circuit.
- (2) V_{OH} = 0.75 × V_{CC} – 1 V_{BE} and V_{OL} = 0.25 × V_{CC} – 1 V_{BE}, therefore V_{OH} – V_{OL} = V_{CC} / 2. The difference (V_{OH} – V_{OL}) and the mirror gain (I₂ / I₃) are the two factors that cause the tachometer gain constant to vary from 1.
- (3) Ensure that when choosing the time constant R₁ × C₁ that the maximum anticipated output voltage at CP2/IN+ can be reached with I₃ × R₁. The maximum value for R₁ is limited by the output resistance of CP2/IN+ which is greater than 10 MΩ typically.
- (4) Nonlinearity is defined as the deviation of V_{OUT} (at CP2/IN+) for f_{IN} = 5 kHz from a straight line defined by the V_{OUT} at 1 kHz and V_{OUT} at 10 kHz. C₁ = 1000 pF, R₁ = 68 kΩ and C₂ = 0.22 µF.

7.6 Typical Characteristics

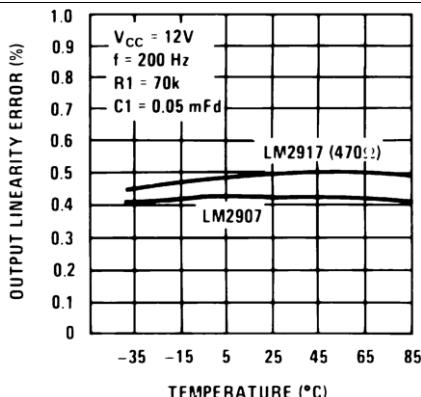


Figure 1. Tachometer Linearity vs Temperature

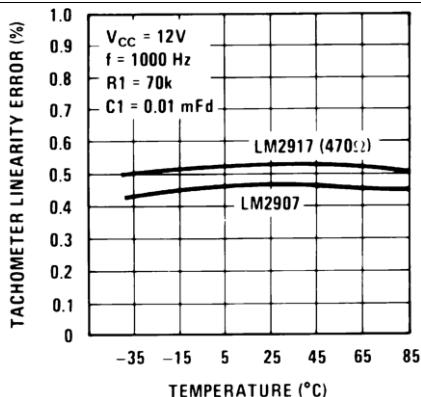


Figure 2. Tachometer Linearity vs Temperature

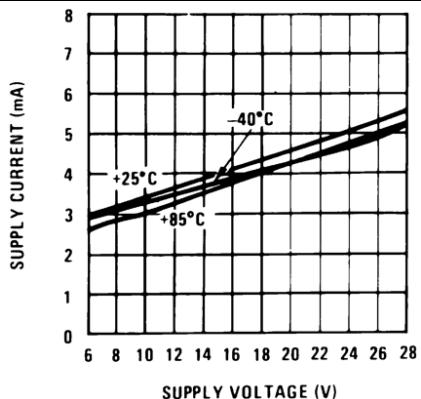


Figure 3. Total Supply Current

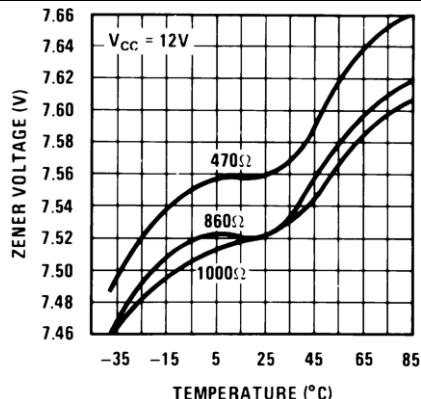


Figure 4. Zener Voltage vs Temperature

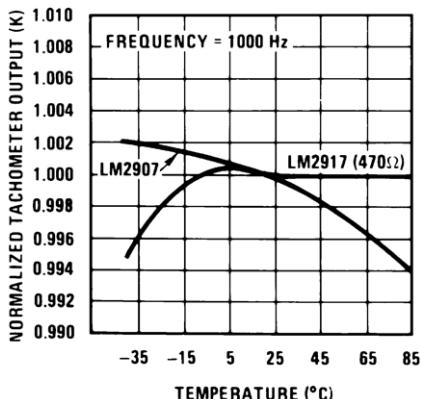


Figure 5. Normalized Tachometer Output (K) vs Temperature

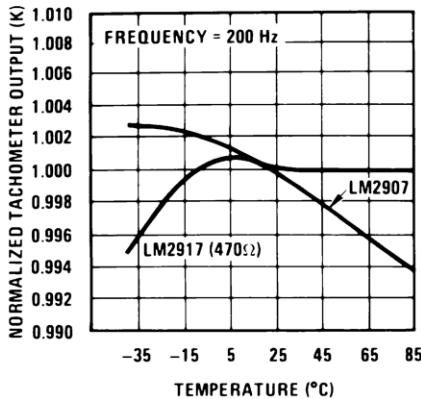


Figure 6. Normalized Tachometer Output (K) vs Temperature

Typical Characteristics (continued)

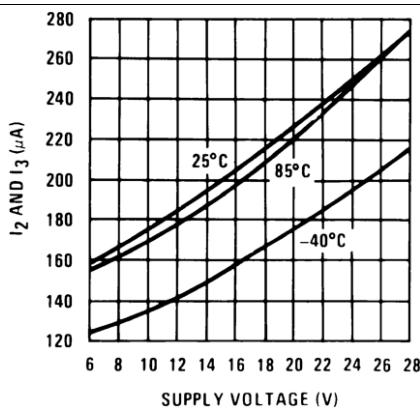


Figure 7. Tachometer Currents I_2 and I_3 vs Supply Voltage

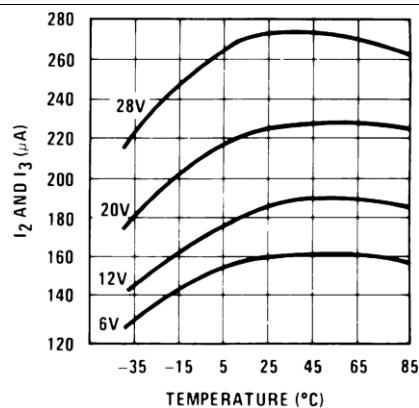


Figure 8. Tachometer Currents I_2 and I_3 vs Temperature

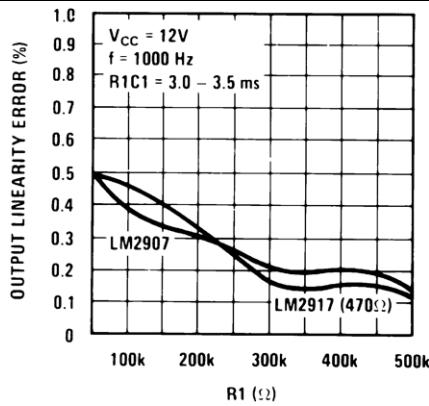


Figure 9. Tachometer Linearity vs R1

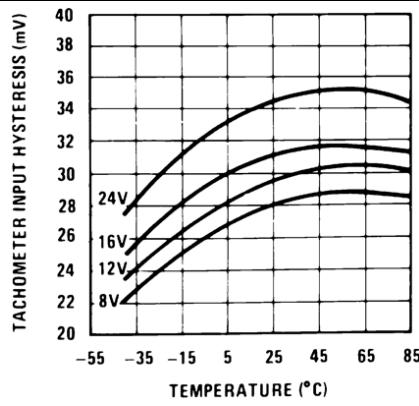


Figure 10. Tachometer Input Hysteresis vs Temperature

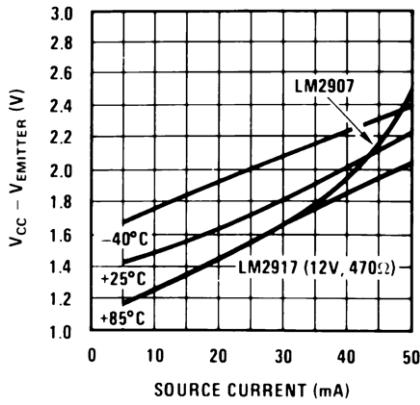


Figure 11. Op Amp Output Transistor Characteristics

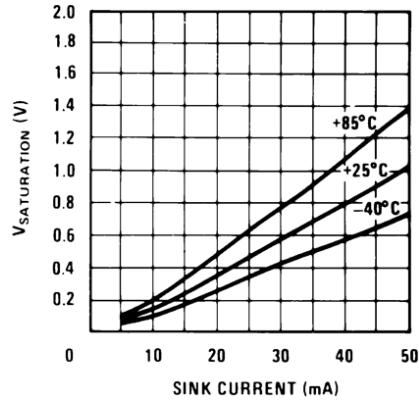


Figure 12. Op Amp Output Transistor Characteristics

8 Parameter Measurement Information

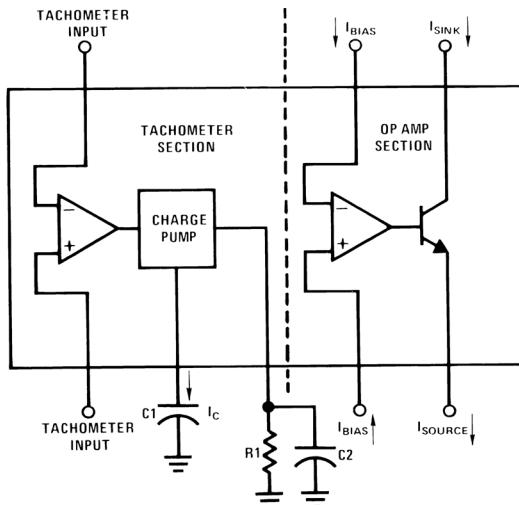


Figure 13. Test Circuit

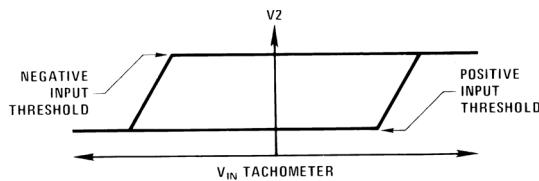


Figure 14. Tachometer Input Threshold Measurement

9 Detailed Description

9.1 Overview

The LM29x7 frequency-to-voltage converter features two separate inputs to monitor the signal. In the 8-pin devices, one of these inputs is internally grounded and therefore it monitors the remaining input for zero crossings. In the 14-pin devices, both of these inputs are open and it instead detects whenever the differential voltage switches polarity. Therefore, the input comparator outputs a square wave of equal frequency to the input.

A charge pump system is used to translate the frequency of this square wave to a voltage. At the start of every positive half cycle of the input signal a $180\text{-}\mu\text{A}$ constant current charges C_1 until its voltage has increased by $V_{CC}/2$. The capacitor is held at that voltage until the input signal begins a negative half cycle. Then the $180\text{-}\mu\text{A}$ constant current discharges capacitor C_1 until its voltage has dropped by $V_{CC}/2$. This voltage is held until the next positive half cycle and the process repeats. This generates pulses of current flowing into and out of capacitor C_1 at the same frequency as the input signal. For every full cycle, the charge pump mirrors both current pulses as positive current pulses into the parallel combination of resistor R_1 and capacitor C_2 . Therefore every full cycle, the amount of charge leaving pin 3 is equal to the sum of the charge entering C_1 and leaving C_1 . Because the voltage at pin 3 is equal to $I_3(\text{avg}) \times R_1$, $I(\text{avg})$ is calculated in [Equation 1](#).

$$I_3(\text{avg}) = Q/t = (Q_{\text{charge}} + Q_{\text{discharge}}) / (1/f) = 2 \times Q \times f = 2 \times C_1 \times (V_{CC}/2) \times f = C_1 \times V_{CC} \times f \quad (1)$$

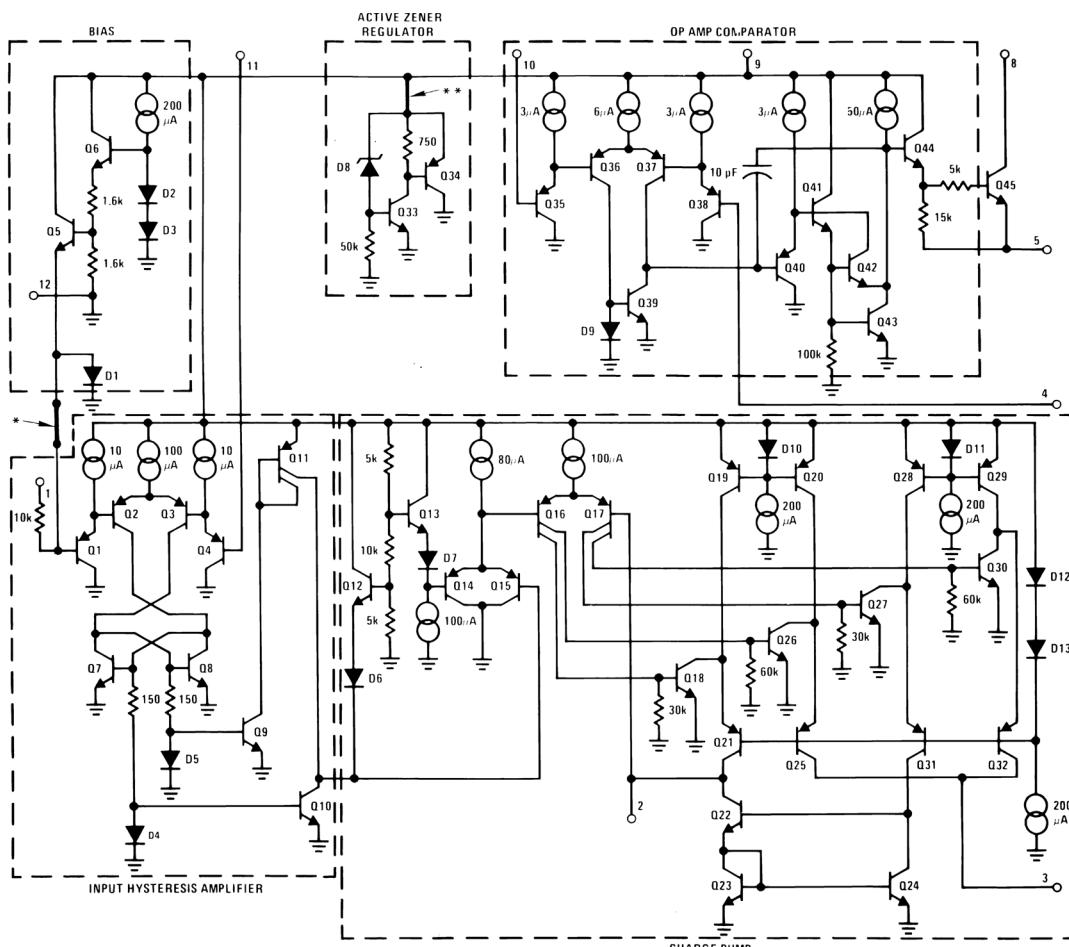
This average current will be flowing across R_1 , giving the output voltage in [Equation 2](#).

$$V_o = R_1 \times C_1 \times V_{CC} \times f \quad (2)$$

C_2 acts as a filter to smooth the pulses of current and does not affect the output voltage. However, the size of C_2 determines both the output response time for changes in frequency and the amount of output voltage ripple.

The voltage generated is then fed in a high gain op amp. This op amp drives a bipolar transistor whose collector and emitter are each broken out to a pin. The LM29x7 has the flexibility to be configured a variety of ways to meet system requirements including voltage output, driving loads, operating a relay, and more.

9.2 Functional Block Diagram



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*This connection made on 8-pin LM2907 and LM2917 only.

**This connection made on LM2917 and 8-pin LM2917 only.

9.3 Feature Description

9.3.1 Differential Input

This device features a Schmitt-Trigger comparator that is the first stage in converting the input signal. Every time the output of the comparator flips between high and low correlates to a half cycle elapsing on the input signal. On the LM29x7-8 devices, one terminal of this comparator is internally connected to ground. This requires that the input signal cross zero volts in order for device to detect the frequency. On the LM29x7 devices, the input terminals to the Schmitt-Trigger comparator are both available for use. This open terminal allows the potential at which the comparator's output is flipped to be applied externally. This allows the device to accept signals with DC offset or compare differential inputs.

9.3.2 Configurable

While the ratio of output voltage to input frequency is dependent on supply voltage, it is easily adjusted through the combination of one resistor and one capacitor, R1 and C1. The formula for calculating the expected output voltage is in [Equation 3](#).

$$V_{OUT} = V_{CC} \times f \times C1 \times R1. \quad (3)$$

The sizes of R1 and C1 have other effects on the system such as maximum frequency and output linearity. See [Choosing R1 and C1](#) for detailed instructions on sizing components.

Feature Description (continued)

9.3.3 Output Stage

The output voltage generated by the charge pump is fed in the noninverting terminal of a high gain op amp. This op amp then drives an uncommitted bipolar junction transistor. This allows the LM2907 to be configured a variety of ways to meet system needs. The output voltage can be buffered and used to drive a load (see Figure 15) or an output threshold can be given to trigger a load switch (see Figure 18).

9.4 Device Functional Modes

9.4.1 Grounded Input Devices (8-Pin LM2907 and LM2917)

These devices have one of the two Schmitt-Trigger comparator inputs internally grounded and must be externally connected to the system ground as well. This configuration monitors the remaining terminal for zero crossings.

9.4.2 Differential Input Devices (LM2907 and LM2917)

These devices have both inputs to the Schmitt-Trigger comparator available and broken out to pins 1 and 11. This configuration allows a new switching threshold provided in the case of signals with DC offset or to intake a differential pair and switch based on voltage difference.

10 Application and Implementation

NOTE

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes. Customers should validate and test their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

10.1 Application Information

The LM2907 series of tachometer circuits is designed for minimum external part count applications and maximum versatility. To fully exploit its features and advantages, first examine its theory of operation. The first stage of operation is a differential amplifier driving a positive feedback flip-flop circuit. The input threshold voltage is the amount of differential input voltage at which the output of this stage changes state. Two options (8-pin LM2907 and LM2917) have one input internally grounded so that an input signal must swing above and below ground and exceed the input thresholds to produce an output. This is offered specifically for magnetic variable reluctance pickups which typically provide a single-ended AC output. This single input is also fully protected against voltage swings to ± 28 V, which are easily attained with these types of pickups.

The differential input options (LM2907, LM2917) give the user the option of setting his own input switching level and still have the hysteresis around that level for excellent noise rejection in any application. Of course to allow the inputs to attain common-mode voltages above ground, input protection is removed and neither input should be taken outside the limits of the supply voltage being used. It is very important that an input not go below ground without some resistance in its lead to limit the current that will then flow in the epi-substrate diode.

Following the input stage is the charge pump where the input frequency is converted to a DC voltage. To do this requires one timing capacitor, one output resistor, and an integrating or filter capacitor. When the input stage changes state (due to a suitable zero crossing or differential voltage on the input) the timing capacitor is either charged or discharged linearly between two voltages whose difference is $V_{CC}/2$. Then in one half cycle of the input frequency or a time equal to $1/2 f_{IN}$ the change in charge on the timing capacitor is equal to $V_{CC}/2 \times C_1$. The average amount of current pumped into or out of the capacitor is shown in [Equation 4](#).

$$\frac{\Delta Q}{T} = i_{c(AVG)} = C_1 \times \frac{V_{CC}}{2} \times (2f_{IN}) = V_{CC} \times f_{IN} \times C_1 \quad (4)$$

The output circuit mirrors this current very accurately into the load resistor R_1 , connected to ground, such that if the pulses of current are integrated with a filter capacitor, then $V_O = i_c \times R_1$, and the total conversion formula becomes [Equation 5](#).

$$V_O = V_{CC} \times f_{IN} \times C_1 \times R_1 \times K$$

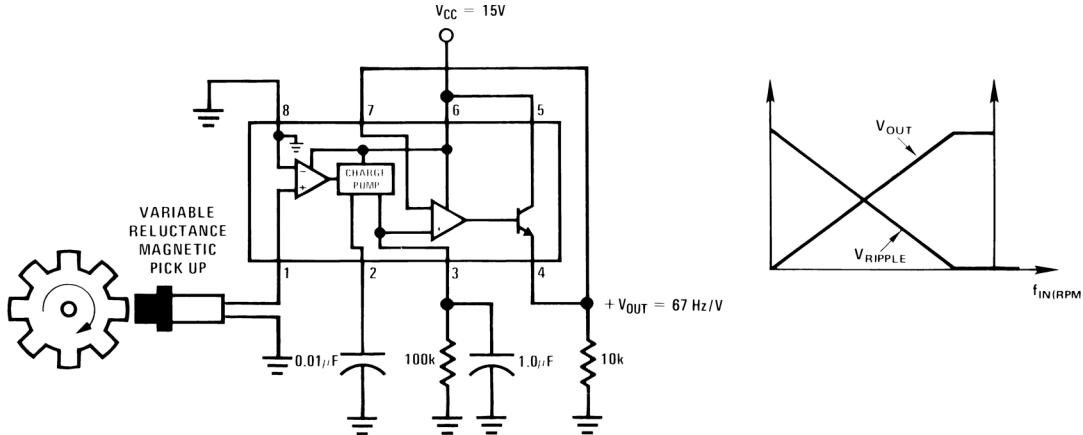
where

- K is the gain constant (typically 1) (5)

The size of C_2 is dependent only on the amount of ripple voltage allowable and the required response time.

10.2 Typical Applications

10.2.1 Minimum Component Tachometer



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Figure 15. Minimum Component Tachometer Diagram

10.2.1.1 Design Requirements

- C1: This capacitor is charged and discharged every cycle by a 180- μ A typical current source. Smaller capacitors can be charged quicker therefore increasing the maximum readable frequency. However, lower capacitors values reduce the output voltage produced for a given frequency. C1 must not be sized lower than 500-pF die to its role in internal compensation.
- R1: This resistor produces the output voltage from current pulses source by the internal charge pump. Higher values increase the output voltage for a given frequency, but too large will degrade the output's linearity. Because the current pulses are a fixed magnitude of 180 μ A typical, R1 must be big enough to produce the maximum desired output voltage at maximum input frequency. At maximum input frequency the pulse train duty cycle is 100%, therefore the average current is 180 μ A and $R1 = V_o(\max) / 180 \mu A$.
- C2: This capacitor filters the ripple produced by the current pulses sourced by the charge pump. Large values reduce the output voltage ripple but increase the output's response time to changes in input frequency.
- Rload: The load resistance must be large enough that at maximum output voltage, the current is under the rated value of 50 mA.

10.2.1.2 Detailed Design Procedure

10.2.1.2.1 Choosing R1 and C1

There are some limitations on the choice of R1 and C1 which should be considered for optimum performance. The timing capacitor also provides internal compensation for the charge pump and must be kept larger than 500 pF for very accurate operation. Smaller values can cause an error current on R1, especially at low temperatures. Several considerations must be met when choosing R1. The output current at pin 3 is internally fixed and therefore $V_o/R1$ must be less than or equal to this value. If R1 is too large, it can become a significant fraction of the output impedance at pin 3 which degrades linearity. Also output ripple voltage must be considered and the size of C2 is affected by R1. An expression that describes the ripple content on pin 3 for a single R1C2 combination is in [Equation 6](#).

$$V_{\text{RIPPLE}} = \frac{V_{\text{CC}}}{2} \times \frac{C_1}{C_2} \times \left(1 - \frac{V_{\text{CC}} \times f_{\text{IN}} \times C_1}{I_2} \right) \text{pk-pk} \quad (6)$$

R1 can be chosen independent of ripple. However, response time, or the time it takes V_{OUT} to stabilize at a new voltage, increases as the size of C2 increases, so a compromise between ripple, response time, and linearity must be chosen carefully.

As a final consideration, the maximum attainable input frequency is determined by V_{CC} , C1, and I2 in [Equation 7](#).

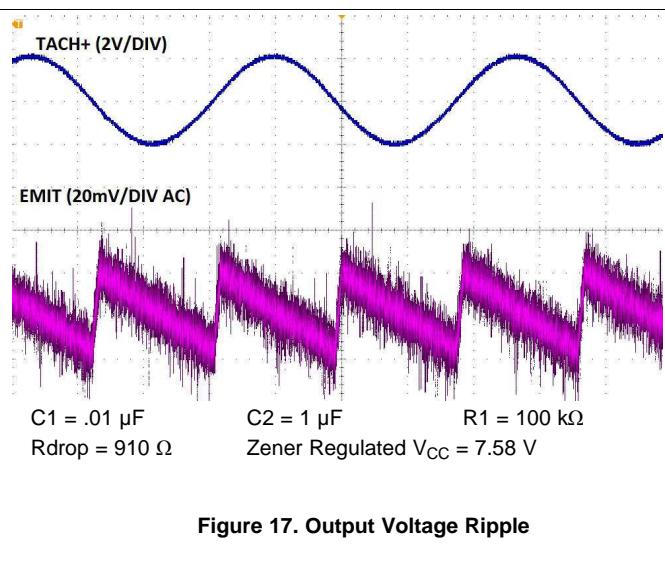
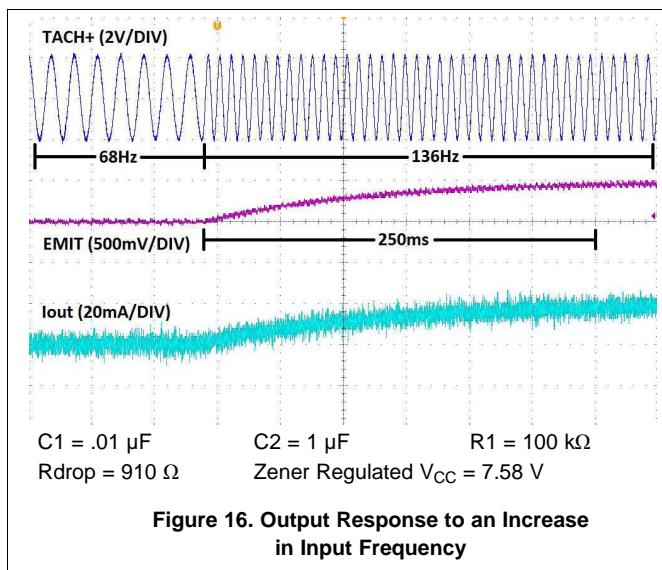
Typical Applications (continued)

$$f_{MAX} = \frac{I_2}{C1 \times V_{CC}} \quad (7)$$

10.2.1.2.2 Using Zener Regulated Options (LM2917)

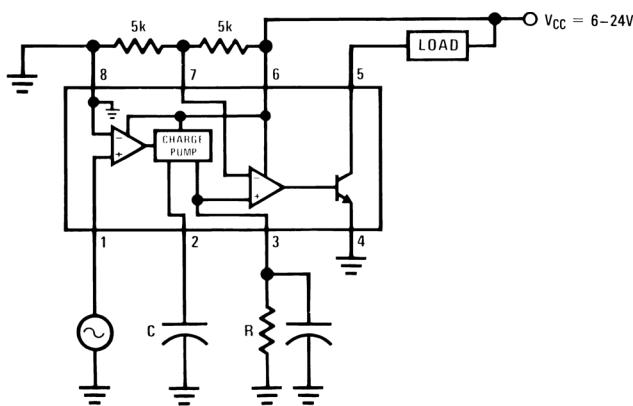
For those applications where an output voltage or current must be obtained independent of supply voltage variations, the LM2917 is offered. The most important consideration in choosing a dropping resistor from the unregulated supply to the device is that the tachometer and op amp circuitry alone require about 3 mA at the voltage level provided by the Zener. At low supply voltages there must be some current flowing in the resistor above the 3-mA circuit current to operate the regulator. As an example, if the raw supply varies from 9 V to 16 V, a resistance of 470 Ω minimizes the Zener voltage variation to 160 mV. If the resistance goes under 400 Ω or over 600 Ω , the Zener variation quickly rises above 200 mV for the same input variation.

10.2.1.3 Application Curves



10.2.2 Other Application Circuits

This section shows application circuit examples using the LM2907-N and LM2917-N devices. Customers must fully validate and test these circuits before implementing a design based on these examples.



Load is energized when $f_{IN} \geq (1 / (2 \times R_C))$

Figure 18. Speed Switch

Typical Applications (continued)

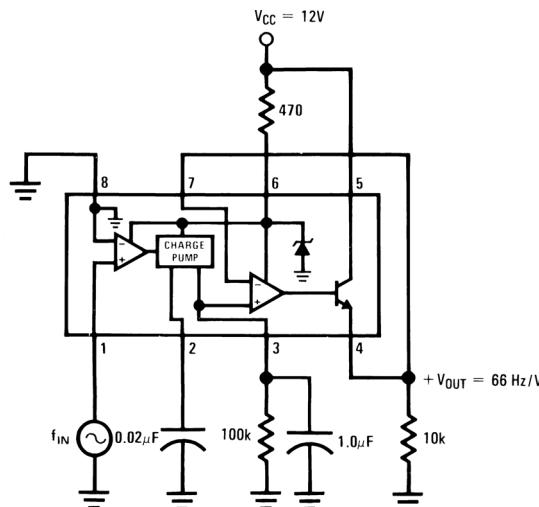


Figure 19. Zener Regulated Frequency to Voltage Converter

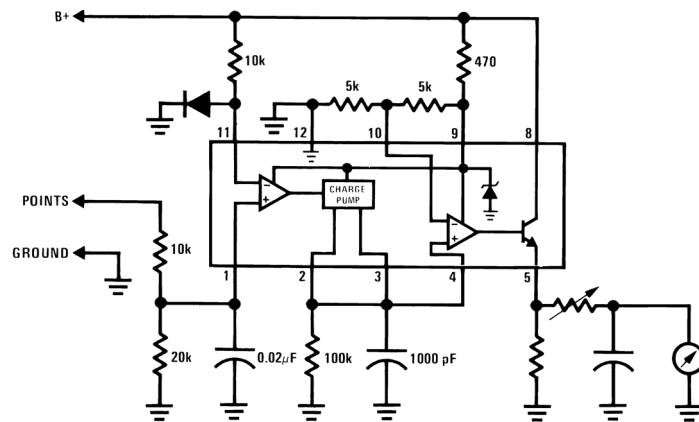
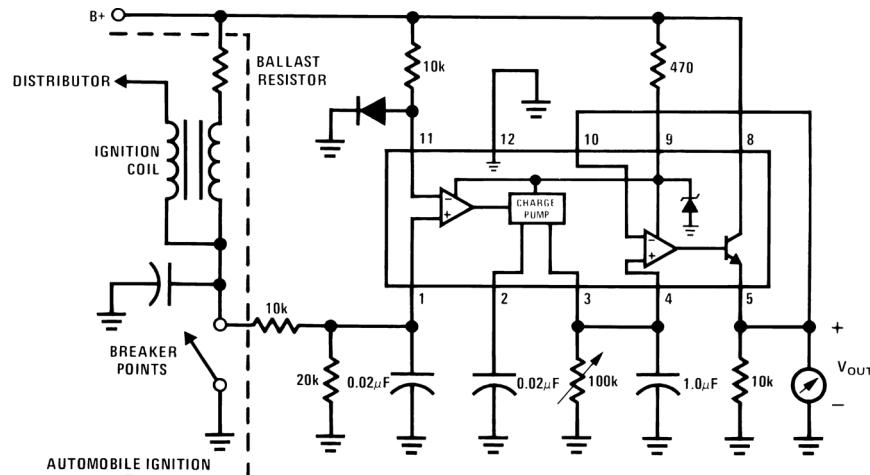


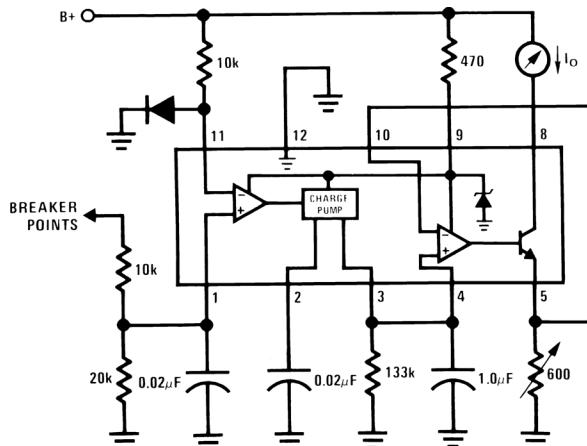
Figure 20. Breaker Point Dwell Meter

Typical Applications (continued)



$V_O = 6 \text{ V}$ at 400 Hz or 6000 ERPM (8 Cylinder Engine)

Figure 21. Voltage Driven Meter Indicating Engine RPM



$I_O = 10 \text{ mA}$ at 300 Hz or 6000 ERPM (6 Cylinder Engine)

Figure 22. Current Driven Meter Indicating Engine RPM

Typical Applications (continued)

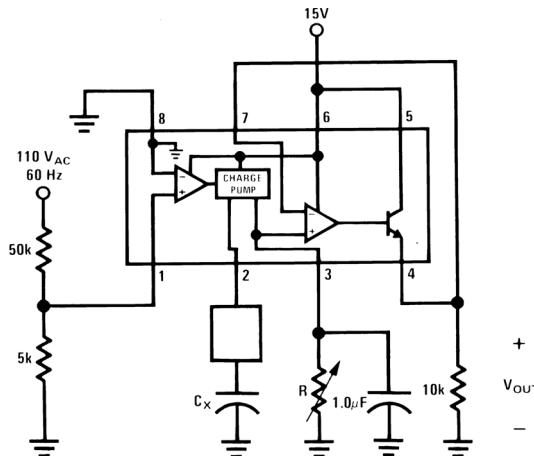

 $V_{OUT} = 1 \text{ V to } 10 \text{ V for } C_x = 0.01 \text{ to } 0.1 \text{ mFd and } R = 111 \text{ k}\Omega$

Figure 23. Capacitance Meter

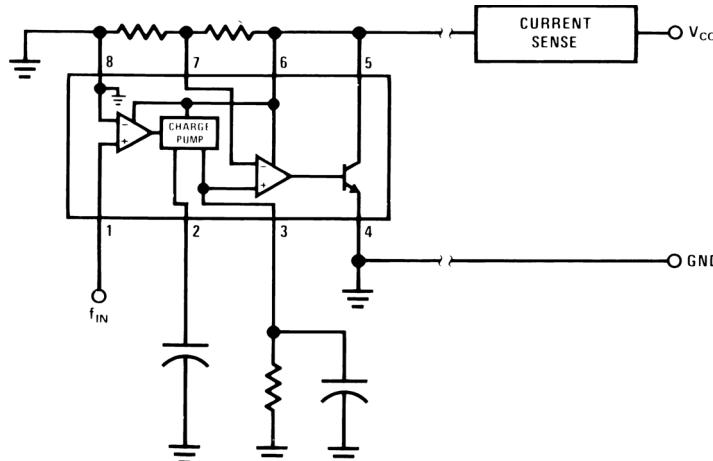
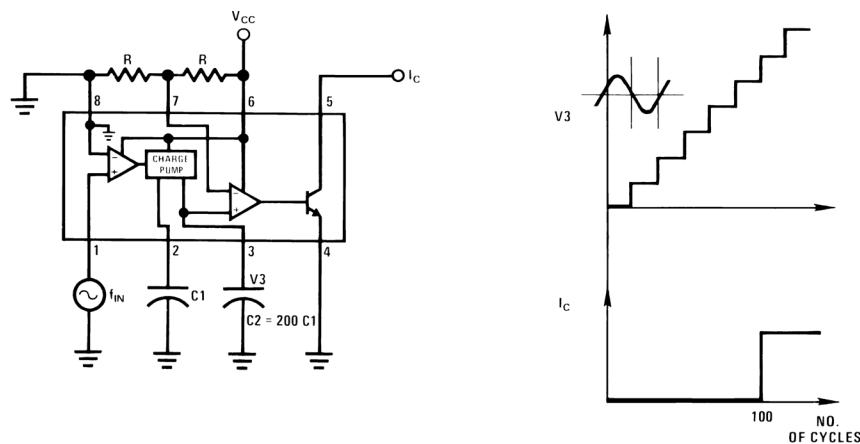


Figure 24. Two-Wire Remote Speed Switch

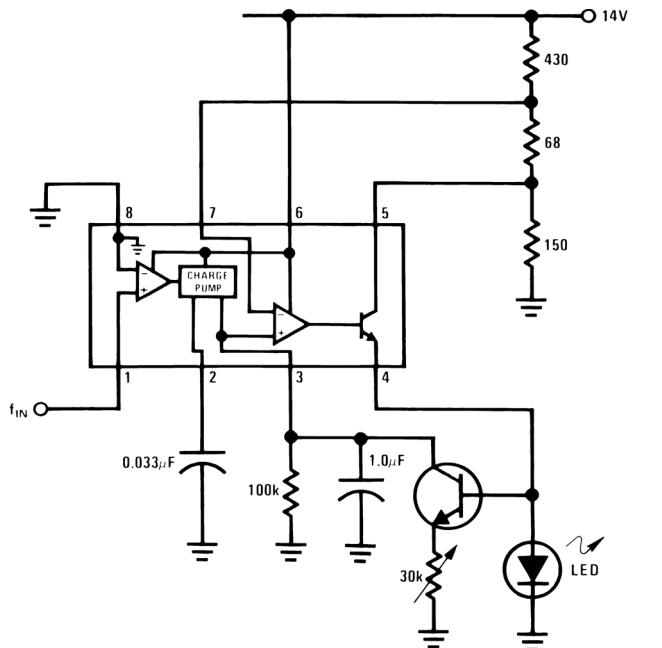
Typical Applications (continued)



V_3 steps up in voltage by the amount of $(V_{CC} \times C_1) / C_2$, for each complete input cycle (2 zero crossings).

For example: if $C_2 = 200 \times C_1$ after 100 consecutive input cycles, then $V_3 = 1/2 \times V_{CC}$.

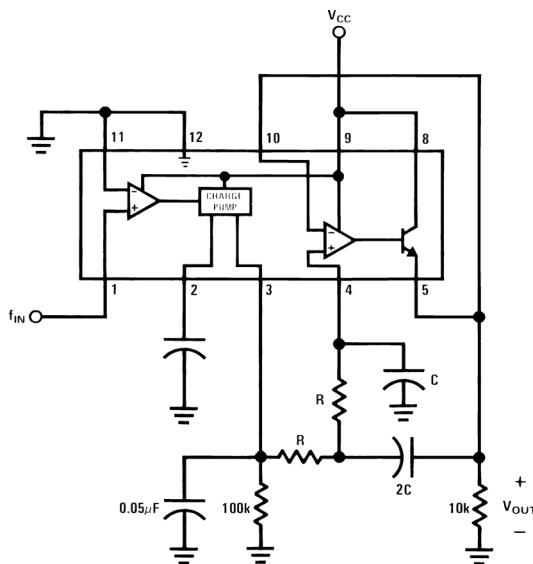
Figure 25. 100 Cycle Delay Switch



Flashing begins when $f_{IN} \geq 100$ Hz

Flash rate increases with input frequency increase beyond trip point.

Figure 26. Flashing LED Indicates Over-Speed

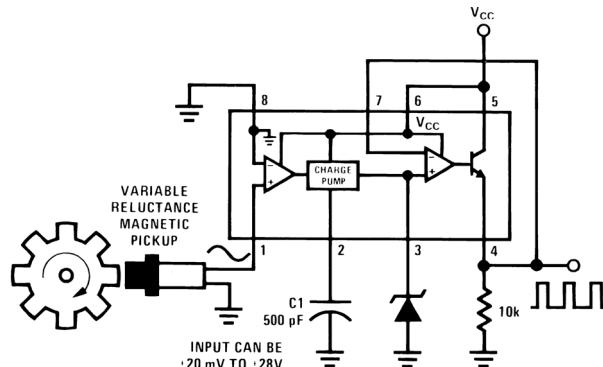


$$f_{POLE} = 0.707 / (2 \times \pi \times RC)$$

$$\tau_{RESPONSE} = 2.57 / (2 \times \pi \times f_{POLE})$$

Figure 27. Frequency to Voltage Converter With 2 Pole Butterworth Filter to Reduce Ripple

10.2.2.1 Variable Reluctance Magnetic Pickup Buffer Circuits



Precision two-shot output frequency is twice the input frequency

Pulse width = $(V_{CC} / 2) \times (C1 / 12)$

Pulse height = V_{ZENER}

Figure 28. Magnetic Pickup Buffer With Zener Regulated Output Magnitude

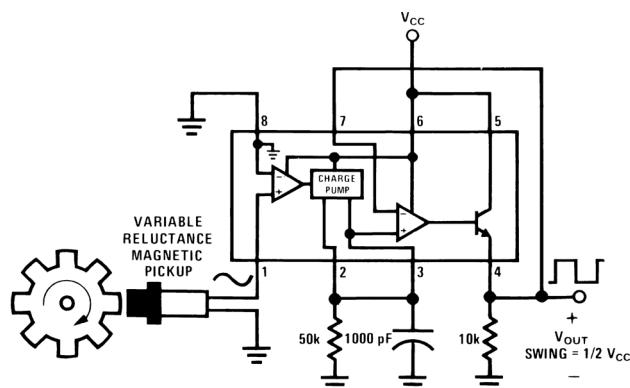


Figure 29. Magnetic Pickup Buffer With $1/2 V_{CC}$ Output Magnitude

10.2.2.2 Finger Touch or Contact Switch

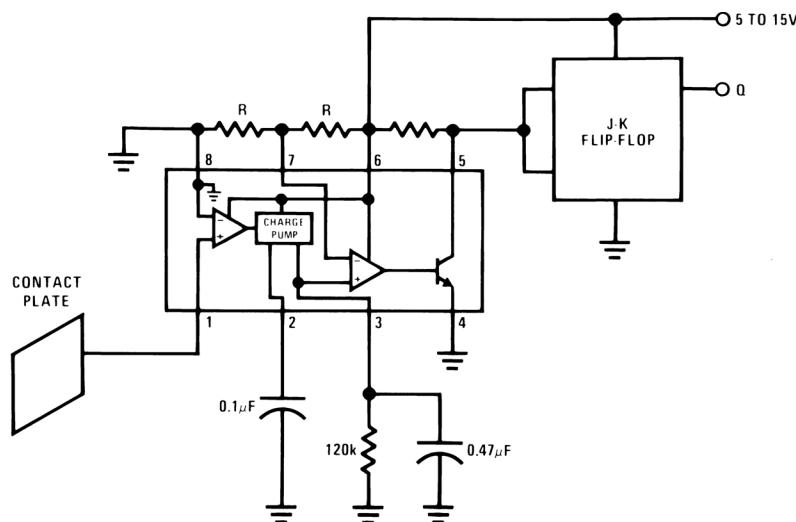


Figure 30. Finger Touch or Contact Switch Diagram

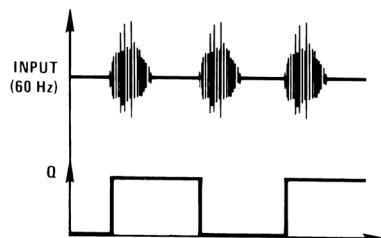
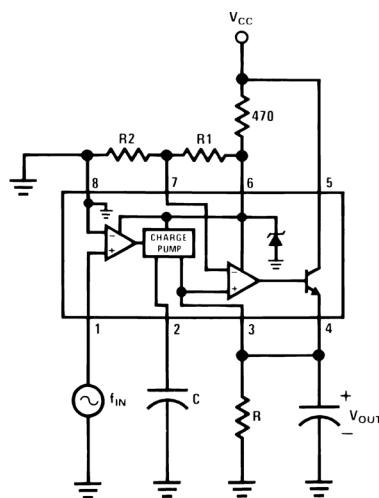


Figure 31. System Output in Response to Consecutive Button Presses

10.2.2.3 Over-Speed Latch



Output latches when $f_{IN} = (R_2 / (R_1 + R_2)) \times (1 / RC)$.

Output is reset by removing V_{CC} .

Figure 32. Over-Speed Latch Circuit Diagram

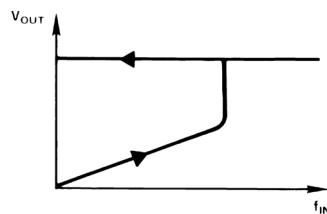


Figure 33. V_{OUT} vs F_{IN}

10.2.2.4 Frequency Switch Applications

Some frequency switch applications may require hysteresis in the comparator function which can be implemented in several ways. Example circuits are shown in Figure 34 to Figure 36.

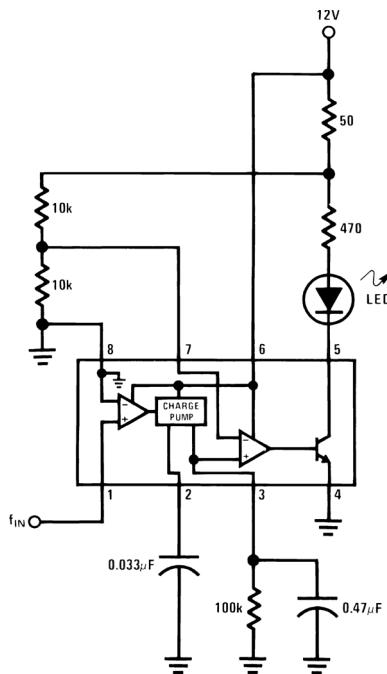


Figure 34. Frequency Switch With Resistor Divider Threshold

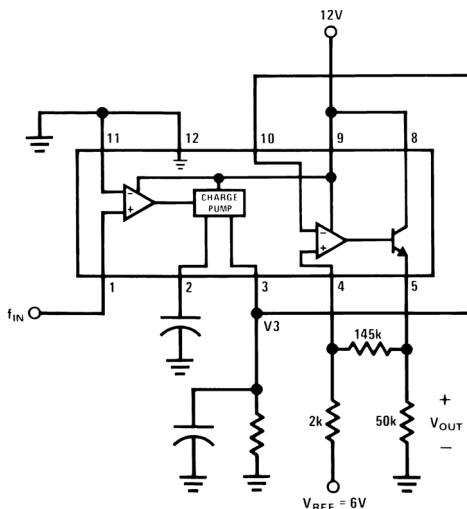


Figure 35. Frequency Switch With Added Hysteresis

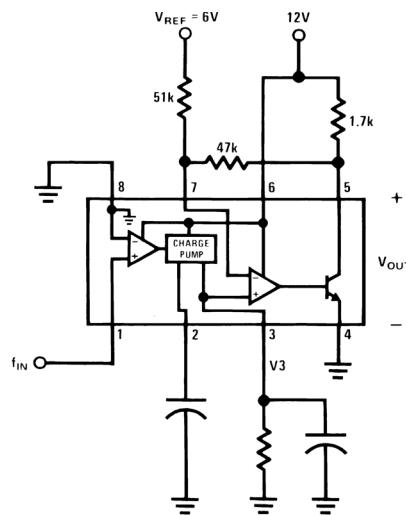


Figure 36. Frequency Switch With Added Hysteresis

10.2.2.4.1 Application Curves

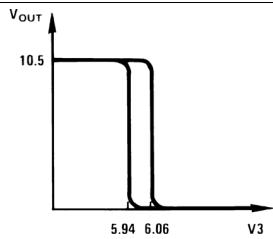


Figure 37. V_{OUT} vs V_3

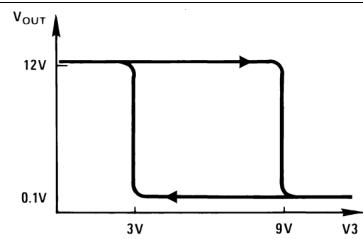


Figure 38. V_{OUT} vs V_3

10.2.2.5 Anti-Skid Circuits

10.2.2.5.1 Select-Low Circuit

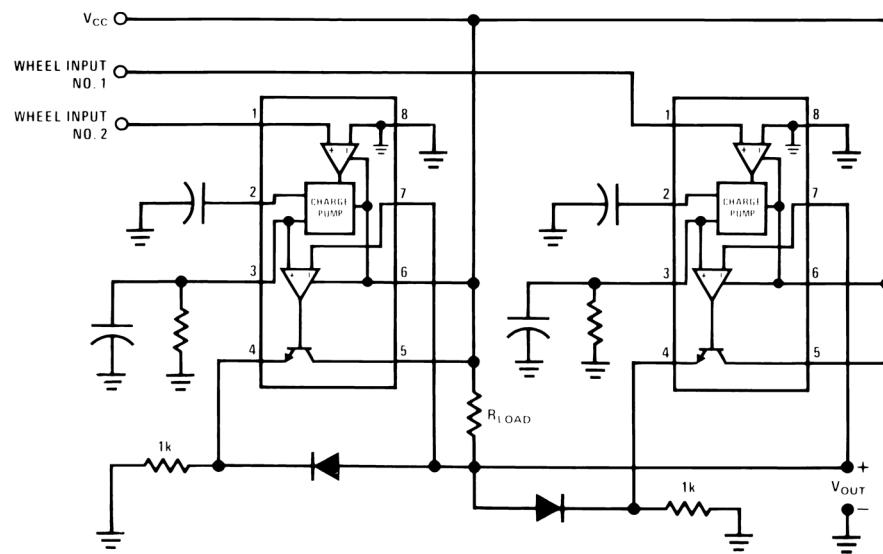
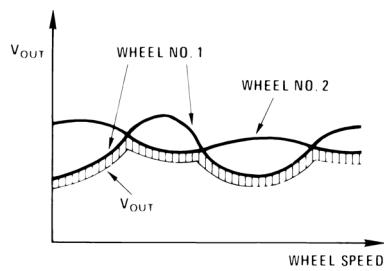


Figure 39. Select-Low Circuit Diagram



V_{OUT} is proportional to the lower of the two input wheel speeds

Figure 40. V_{OUT} vs Wheel Speed

10.2.2.5.2 Select-High Circuit

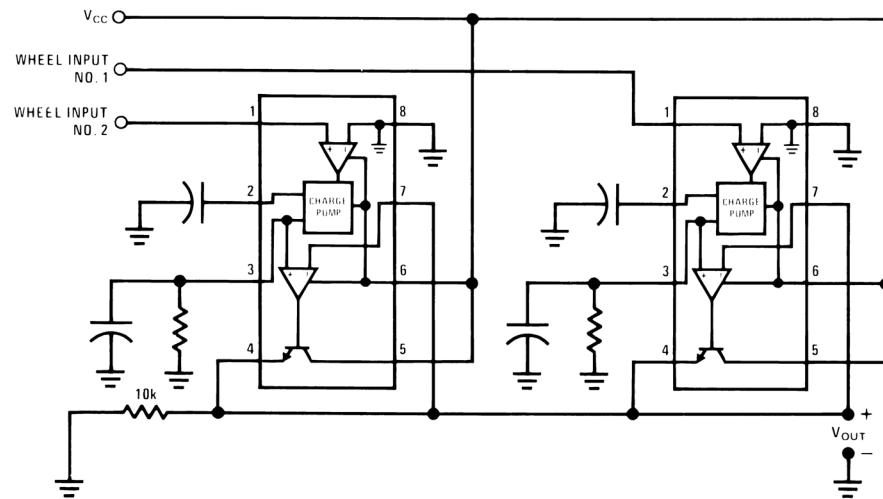
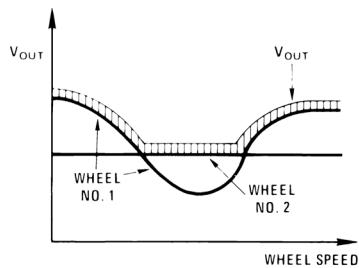


Figure 41. Select-High Circuit Diagram



V_{OUT} is proportional to the higher of the two input wheel speeds

Figure 42. V_{OUT} vs Wheel Speed

10.2.2.5.3 Select-Average Circuit

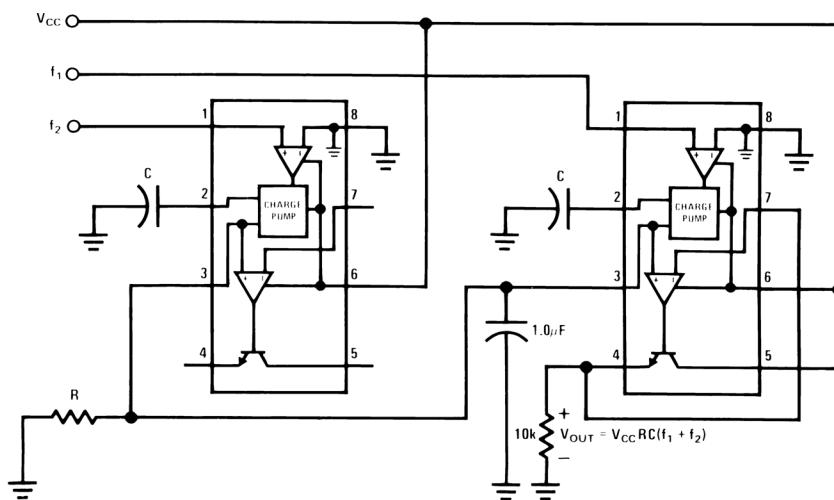


Figure 43. Select-Average Circuit Diagram

10.2.2.6 Changing the Output Voltage for an Input Frequency of Zero

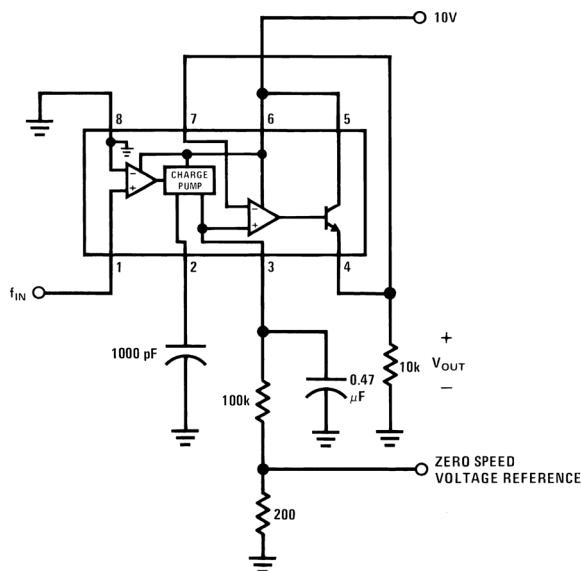


Figure 44. Tachometer With Adjustable Zero Speed Voltage Output

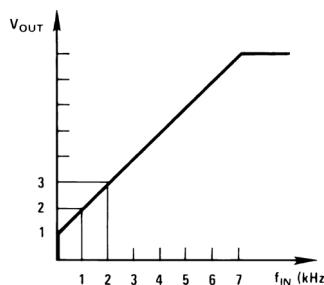


Figure 45. V_{OUT} vs Frequency Plot Shifted to Produce 1 V at Zero Speed

10.2.2.7 Changing Tachometer Gain Curve or Clamping the Minimum Output Voltage

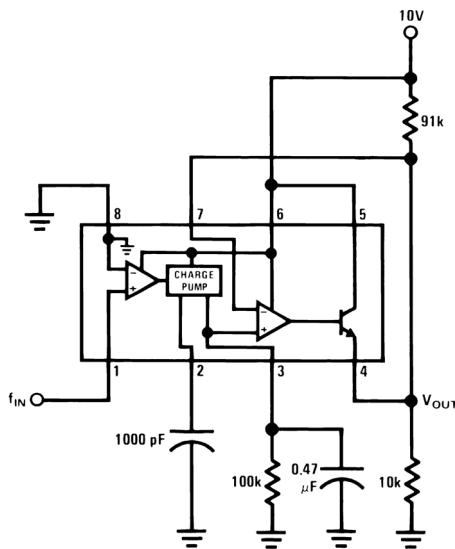


Figure 46. Tachometer With Output Clamped at Low Speeds

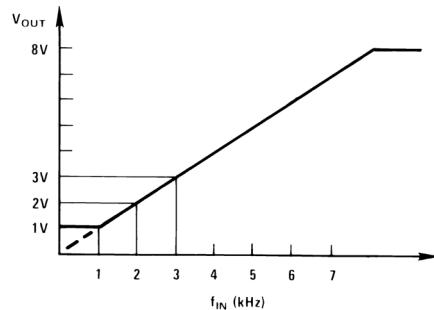


Figure 47. V_{OUT} vs Frequency Plot With Output Clamped at Low Speeds

11 Power Supply Recommendations

This family of devices is designed to operate from a supply voltage up to 28 V. For the 8-pin LM2907 and LM2917, devices with a fixed ground reference for TACH-, the tachometer inputs can intake voltages between ± 28 V. LM2907 and LM2917 devices have both tachometer inputs available at the cost of input protection features. This means neither input should be taken outside of the supply voltage range without additional precautions (see [Application Information](#)).

12 Layout

12.1 Layout Guidelines

- Bypass capacitors must be placed as close as possible to the supply pin. When using a through-hole package, it is acceptable to place the bypass capacitor on the bottom layer. All other components must be placed as close to the device as possible.
- Use of a ground plane is recommended to provide a low-impedance ground across the circuit.
- Feedback loops must use short and wide traces.

12.2 Layout Example

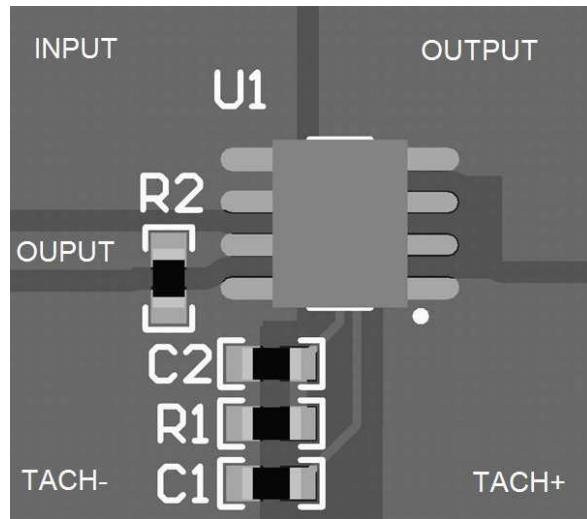


Figure 48. Layout Recommendation

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13.6 Glossary

[SLYZ022](#) — *TI Glossary*.

This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

14 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

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| LM2907M | NRND | SOIC | D | 14 | 55 | TBD | Call TI | Call TI | -40 to 85 | LM2907M | |
| LM2907M-8 | NRND | SOIC | D | 8 | 95 | TBD | Call TI | Call TI | -40 to 85 | LM2907M-8 | |
| LM2907M-8/NOPB | ACTIVE | SOIC | D | 8 | 95 | Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | CU SN | Level-1-260C-UNLIM | -40 to 85 | LM2907M-8 | Samples |
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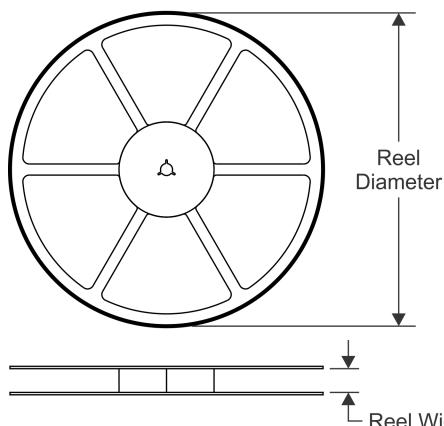
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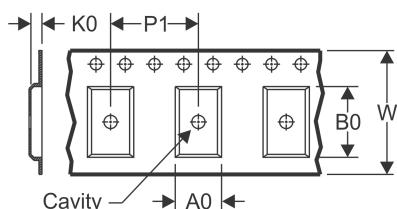
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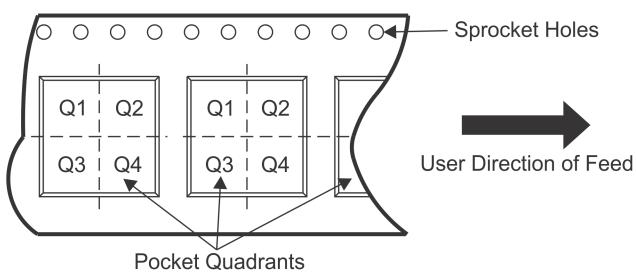


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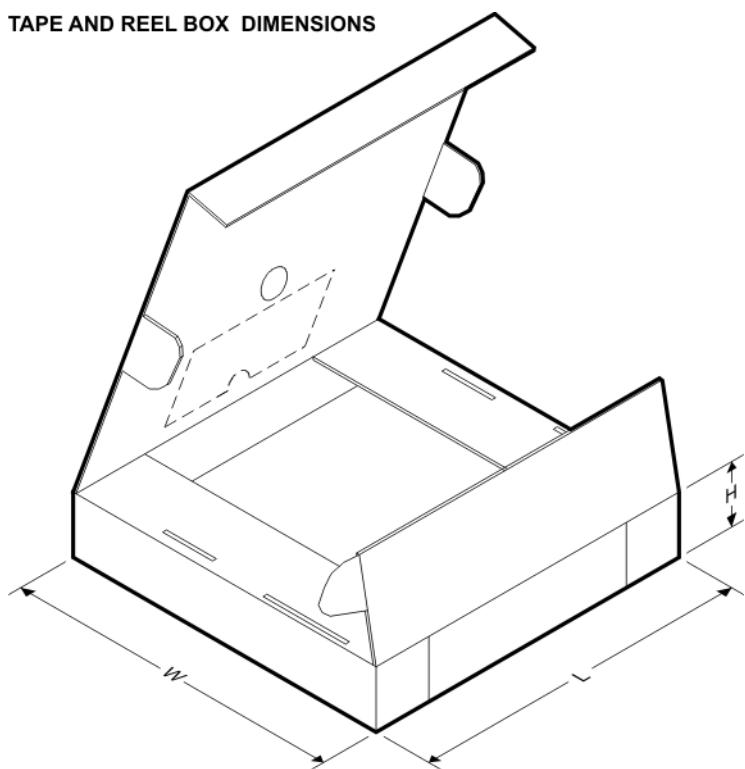
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| A0 | Dimension designed to accommodate the component width |
| B0 | Dimension designed to accommodate the component length |
| K0 | Dimension designed to accommodate the component thickness |
| W | Overall width of the carrier tape |
| P1 | Pitch between successive cavity centers |

QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE



*All dimensions are nominal

| Device | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | SPQ | Reel Diameter (mm) | Reel Width W1 (mm) | A0 (mm) | B0 (mm) | K0 (mm) | P1 (mm) | W (mm) | Pin1 Quadrant |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|------|------|--------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------------|
| LM2907MX | SOIC | D | 14 | 2500 | 330.0 | 16.4 | 6.5 | 9.35 | 2.3 | 8.0 | 16.0 | Q1 |
| LM2907MX-8/NOPB | SOIC | D | 8 | 2500 | 330.0 | 12.4 | 6.5 | 5.4 | 2.0 | 8.0 | 12.0 | Q1 |
| LM2907MX/NOPB | SOIC | D | 14 | 2500 | 330.0 | 16.4 | 6.5 | 9.35 | 2.3 | 8.0 | 16.0 | Q1 |
| LM2917MX-8 | SOIC | D | 8 | 2500 | 330.0 | 12.4 | 6.5 | 5.4 | 2.0 | 8.0 | 12.0 | Q1 |
| LM2917MX-8/NOPB | SOIC | D | 8 | 2500 | 330.0 | 12.4 | 6.5 | 5.4 | 2.0 | 8.0 | 12.0 | Q1 |
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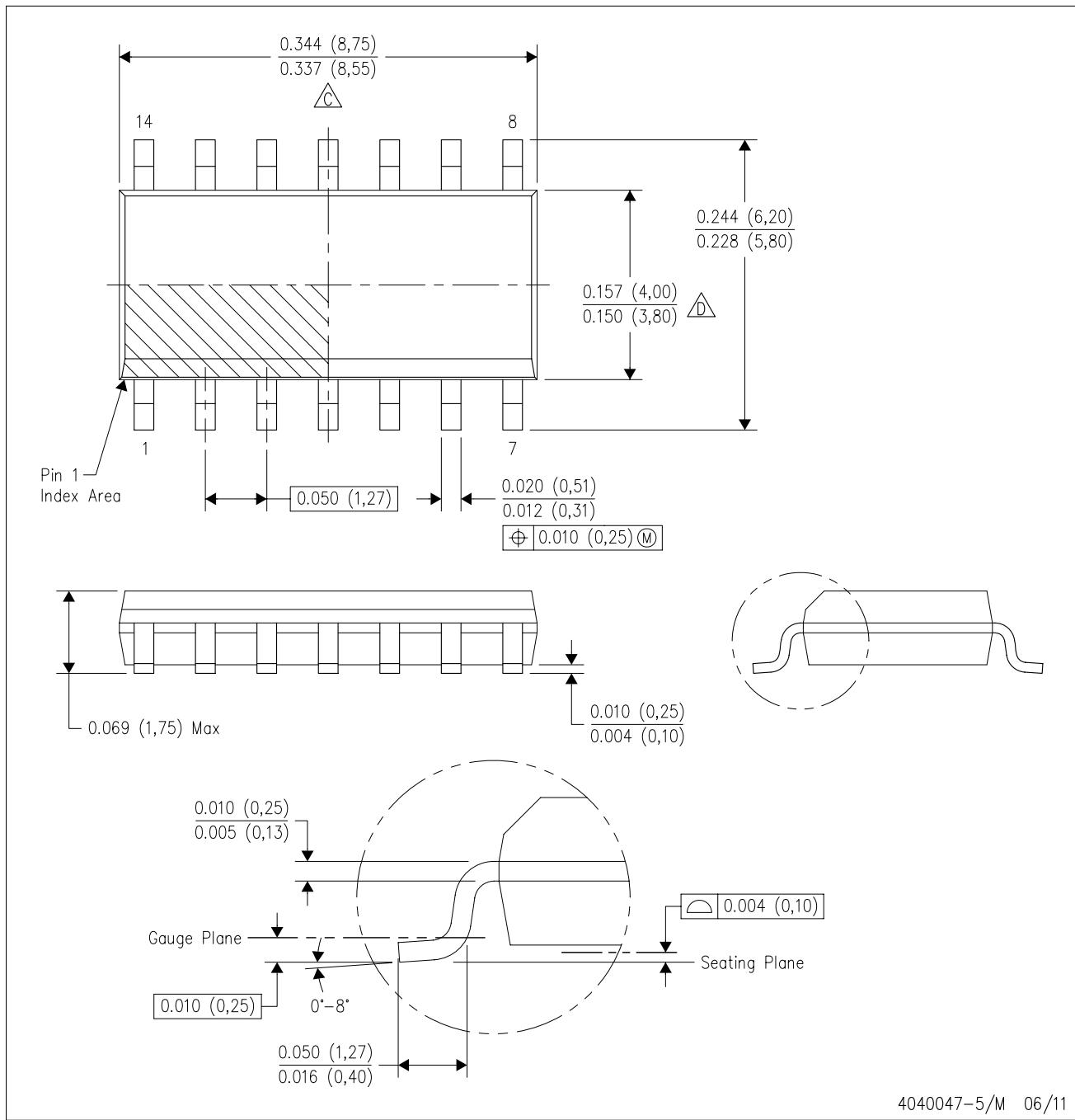
TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS


*All dimensions are nominal

| Device | Package Type | Package Drawing | Pins | SPQ | Length (mm) | Width (mm) | Height (mm) |
|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|------|------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| LM2907MX | SOIC | D | 14 | 2500 | 367.0 | 367.0 | 35.0 |
| LM2907MX-8/NOPB | SOIC | D | 8 | 2500 | 367.0 | 367.0 | 35.0 |
| LM2907MX/NOPB | SOIC | D | 14 | 2500 | 367.0 | 367.0 | 35.0 |
| LM2917MX-8 | SOIC | D | 8 | 2500 | 367.0 | 367.0 | 35.0 |
| LM2917MX-8/NOPB | SOIC | D | 8 | 2500 | 367.0 | 367.0 | 35.0 |
| LM2917MX/NOPB | SOIC | D | 14 | 2500 | 367.0 | 367.0 | 35.0 |

D (R-PDSO-G14)

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



NOTES: A. All linear dimensions are in inches (millimeters).

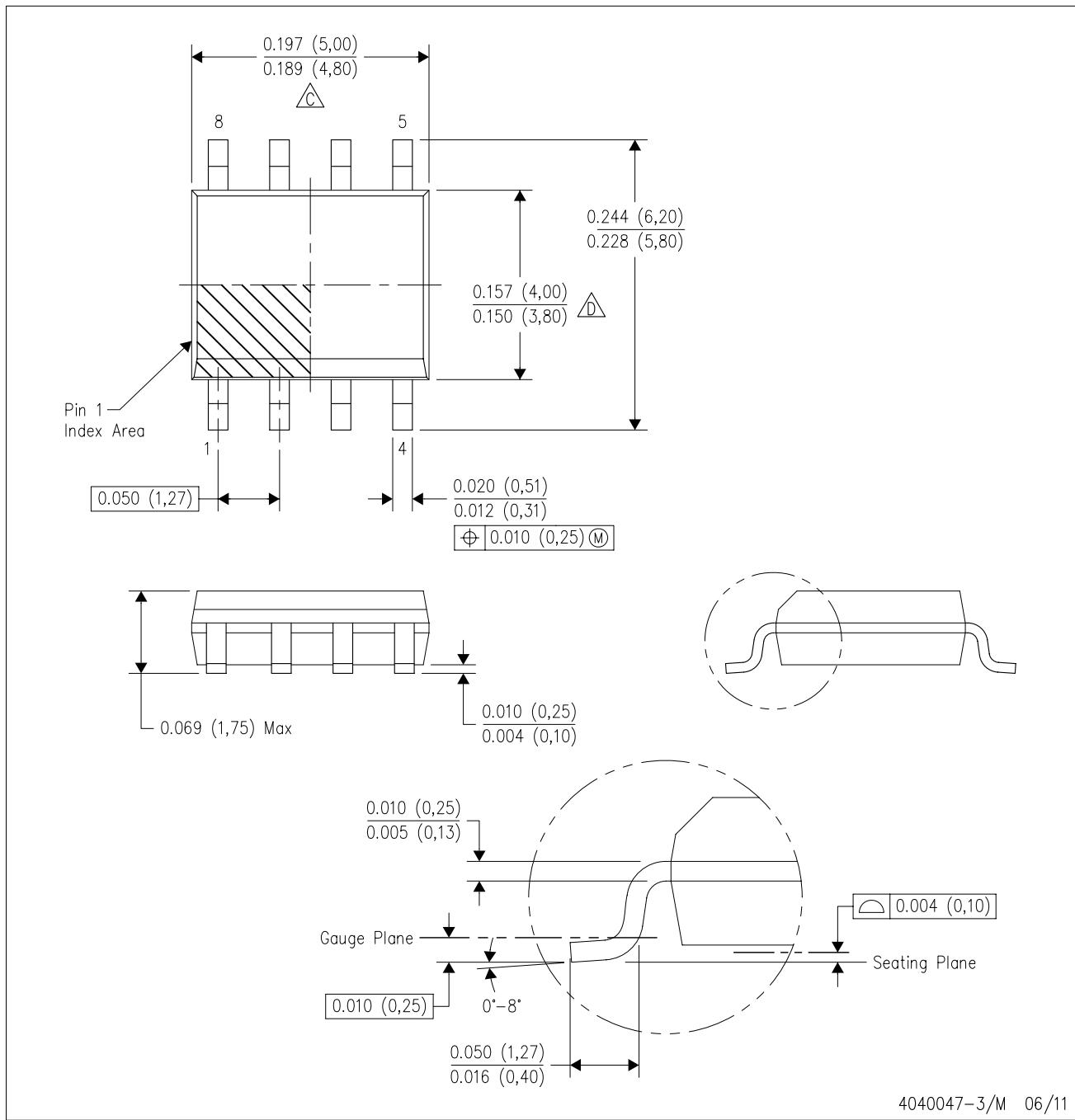
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C Body length does not include mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs. Mold flash, protrusions, or gate burrs shall not exceed 0.006 (0,15) each side.

D Body width does not include interlead flash. Interlead flash shall not exceed 0.017 (0,43) each side.
E. Reference JEDEC MS-012 variation AB.

D (R-PDSO-G8)

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



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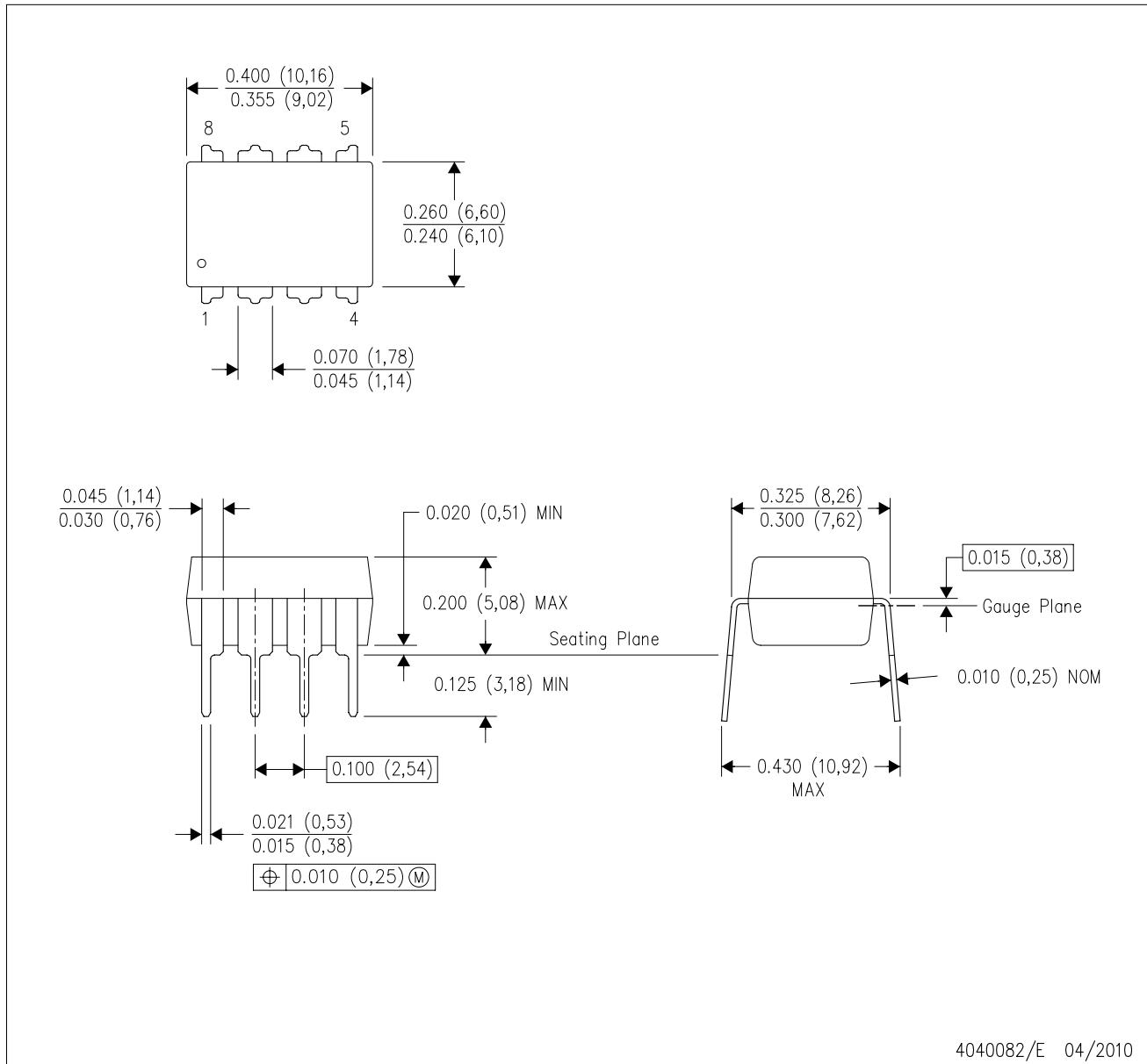
D Body width does not include interlead flash. Interlead flash shall not exceed 0.017 (0.43) each side.

E. Reference JEDEC MS-012 variation AA.

MECHANICAL DATA

P (R-PDIP-T8)

PLASTIC DUAL-IN-LINE PACKAGE

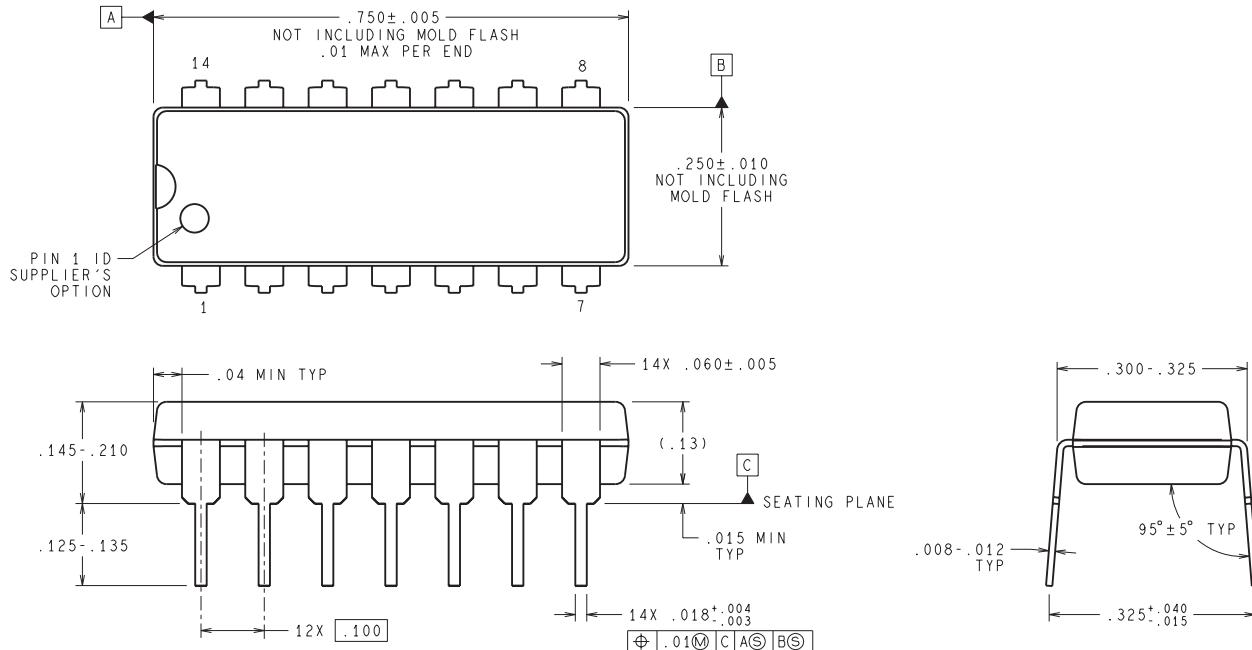


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- All linear dimensions are in inches (millimeters).
 - This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - Falls within JEDEC MS-001 variation BA.

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