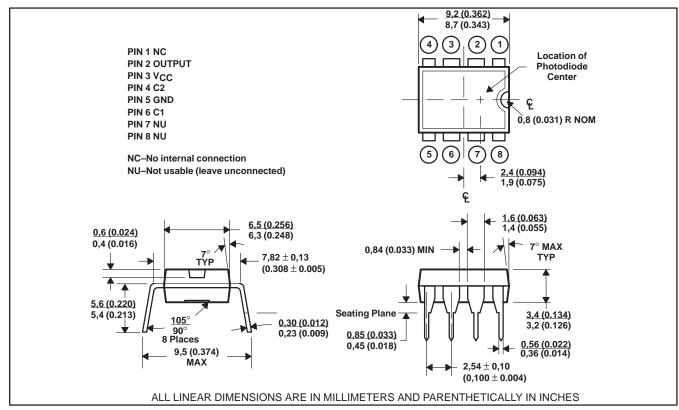
- High-Resolution Conversion of Light Intensity to Frequency
- Wide Dynamic Range . . . 118 dB
- Variable (and Single) Supply Range . . . 5 V to 10 V
- High Linearity . . . Typically Within 2% of FSR (C = 100 pF)
- High Sensitivity . . . Can Detect Change of 0.01% of FSR
- CMOS Compatible Output for Digital Processing
- Minimum External Components
- Microprocessor Compatible

description

The TSL220 consists of a large-area photodiode and a current-to-frequency converter. The output voltage is a pulse train and its frequency is directly proportional to the light intensity (irradiance) on the photodiode. The output is CMOS † compatible and its frequency may be measured using pulse counting, period timing, or integration techniques. The TSL220 is ideal for light-sensing applications requiring wide dynamic range, high sensitivity, and high noise immunity. The output frequency range is determined by an external capacitor; hence, the desired output frequency is adjustable for a given light intensity at the input. The TSL220 is characterized for operation over the temperature range of -25° C to 70° C.

mechanical data

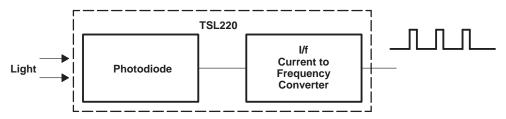
The photodiode and current-to-frequency converter are packaged in a clear plastic 8-pin dual-in-line package. The active chip area is typically 4,13 mm² (0.0064 in²).



† Use of LSTTL logic families may require a 3300-Ω pulldown resistor on the output.



functional block diagram



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

Supply voltage, V _{CC} (see Note 1)	
Operating free-air temperature, T _A	–25°C to 70°C
Storage temperature range	–25°C to 85°C
Lead temperature 1,6 mm (1/16 inch) from case for 10 seconds	260°C

NOTE 1: All voltage values are with respect to GND (pin 5).

recommended operating conditions

	MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
Supply voltage, V _{CC}	4	5	10	V
Output frequency, f _O (C ≤ 100 pF)			750	kHz
Operating free-air temperature range, T _A	-25		70	°C

electrical characteristics at $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ V}$, $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ (see Figure 1)

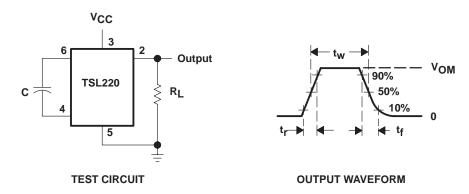
	PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
VOM	Peak output voltage	$R_L = 50 \text{ k}\Omega$	3	4		V
ICC	Supply current	$C = 100 \text{ pF}, E_e = 0$		7.5	10	mA

operating characteristics at V_{CC} = 5 V, T_A = 25°C (see Figure 1)

PARAMETER TEST CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT	
f _O	Output frequency	$E_e = 125 \mu\text{W/cm}^2$, $\lambda = 880 \text{nm}$, $C = 100 \text{pF}$	50	150	250	kHz
		$E_e = 0,$ $C = 100 pF$	0	1	50	Hz
t _W	Output pulse duration	C = 470 pF		1		μs
t _r	Output pulse rise time	C = 100 pF		20		ns
t _f	Output pulse fall time	C = 100 pF		120		ns



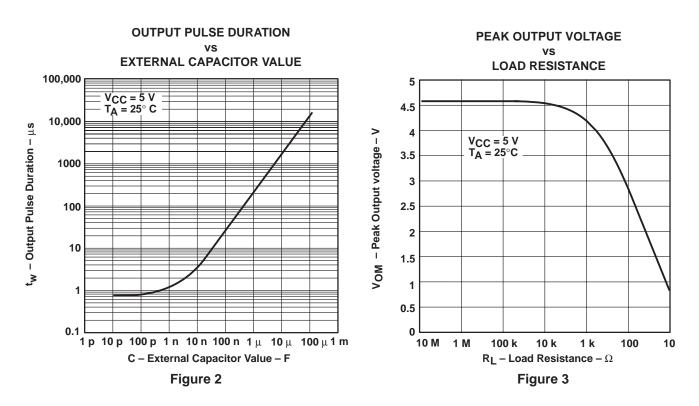
PARAMETER MEASUREMENT INFORMATION



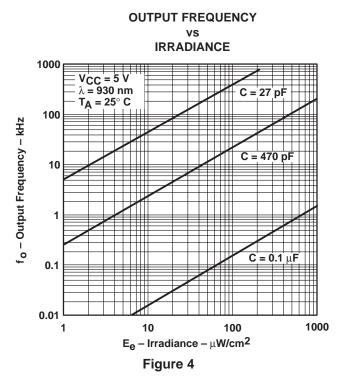
NOTE: Output waveform is monitored on an oscilloscope with the following characteristics: $R_i \ge 1$ M Ω , $C_i \le 6.5$ pF.

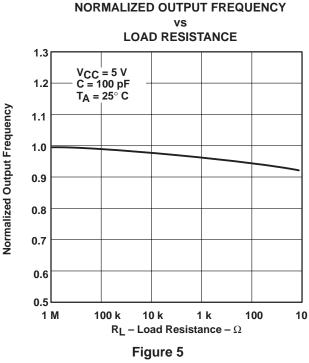
Figure 1. Switching Times

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

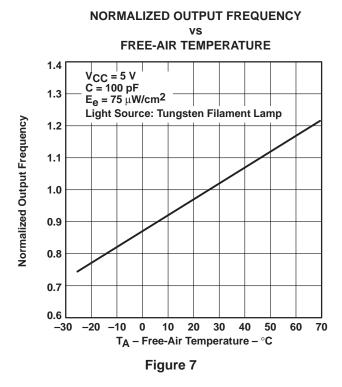


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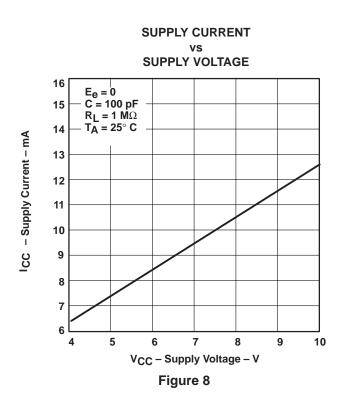




OUTPUT FREQUENCY EXTERNAL CAPACITOR VALUE 100 V_{CC} = 5 V $T_A = 25^{\circ} C$ 10 Normalized Output Frequency 1 0.1 0.01 0.001 0.001 0.01 100 1000 C - Capacitance - nF Figure 6



TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS



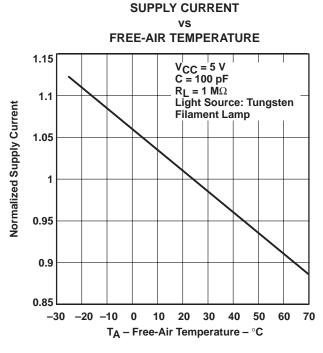


Figure 9

PHOTODIODE SPECTRAL RESPONSE

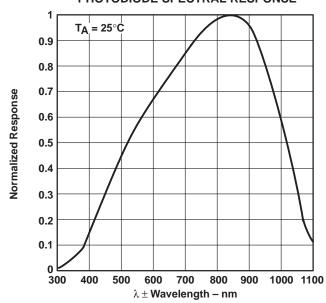


Figure 10

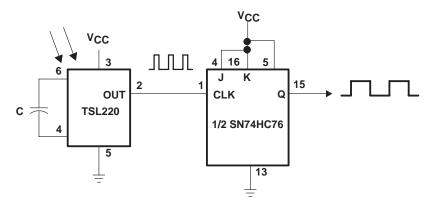
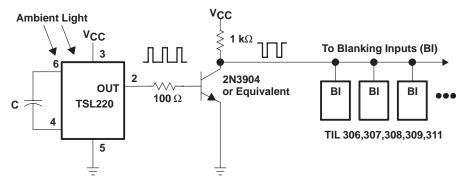


Figure 11. Light-to-Frequency Converter with Square-Wave Output



NOTE: Adjust C to set maximum and minimum brightness levels.

Figure 12. Automatic Display Dimming Circuit

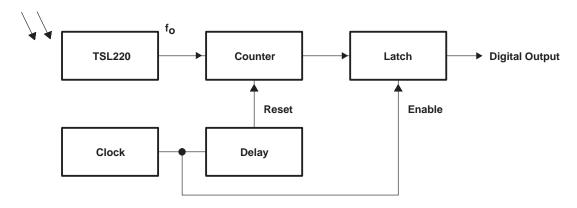


Figure 13. Light-to-Digital Converter



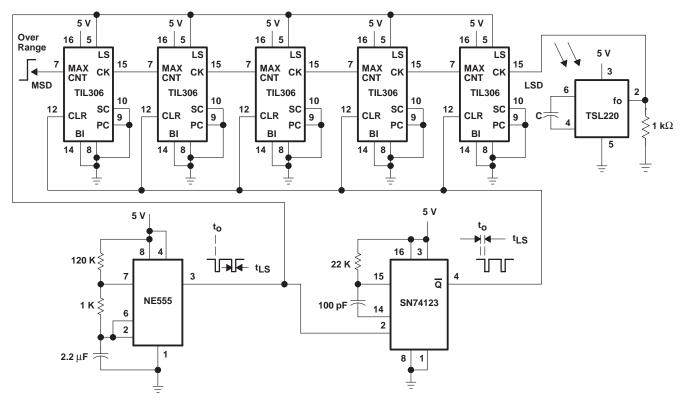


Figure 14. Simple Digital Light Meter

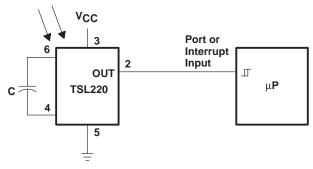
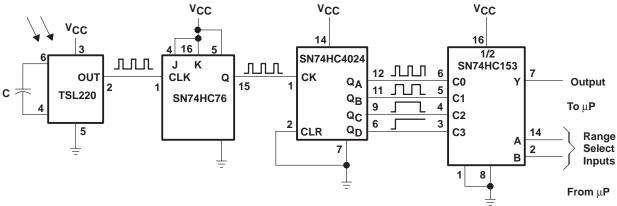


Figure 15. Light Detector with Direct Microprocessor Interface



NOTE: Adjust C for useful frequency range.

Figure 16. Light Detector with Microprocessor (Microcontroller) and Autoranging Capability

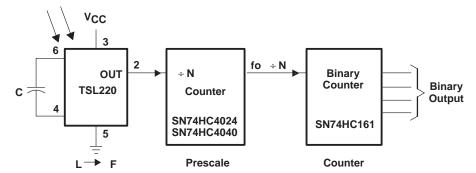


Figure 17. Digital Light Integrator

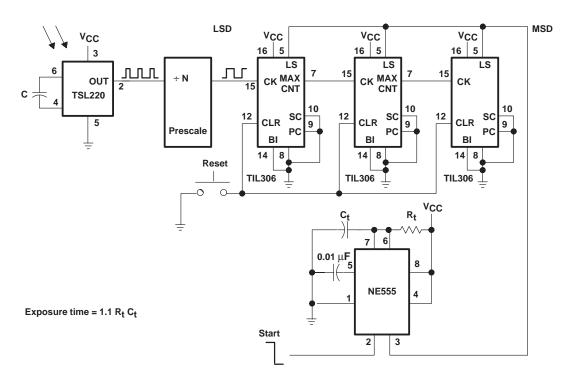


Figure 18. Digital Light Exposure Meter

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