## ML8204 ML8205

## TONE RINGER

DESIGNED FOR TELEPHONE BELL RE-PLACEMENT

SGS-THOMSON MICROELECTRONICS

- LOW CURRENT DRAIN
- SMALL SIZE "MINIDIP" PACKAGE
- ADJUSTABLE 2-FREQUENCY TONE
- ADJUSTABLE WARBLING RATE
- BUILT-IN HYSTERESIS PREVENTS FALSE TRIGGERING AND ROTARY DIAL "CHIRPS"
- EXTERNAL TRIGGERING OR RINGER DISA-BLE (ML8204)
- ADJÚSTABLÉ FOR REDUCED SUPPLY INI-TIATION CURRENT (ML8205)
- TELEPHONE SET TONE RINGERS
- EXTENSION TONE RINGER MODULES
- ALARMS OR OTHER ALERTING DEVICES





#### DESCRIPTION

The ML8204/ML8205 tone ringers are monolithic devices, each incorporating two oscillators, an output amplifier and a power supply control circuit. The oscillator frequencies can be adjusted over a wide range by selection of external components. One oscillator, normally operated at a low frequency (fi), causes the second oscillator to alternate between its nominal frequency (fH1), and a related higher frequency (fH2). The resulting output is a distinctive "warbling" tone. The output amplifier will drive either a transformer coupled loudspeaker or a piezo-ceramic transducer. The device can be powered from a telephone line or a fixed d.c. supply. The power supply control circuit has built-in hysteresis to prevent false triggering and rotary dial "chirps". The ML8204 can be triggered externally under logic control. The ML8205 has provision for adjustment of the power supply initiation current.

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### **BLOCK DIAGRAM**



### **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS\***

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
Vs	Supply Voltage - GND	30	V
Top	Operating Temperature	- 45 to + 65	°C
Tstg	Storage Temperature (E package)	- 65 to + 150	°C
Ptot	Total Power Dissipation (E package)	400	mW

Stresses in excess of thos listed unter "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress rating only and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions in excess of those indicated in the

#### THERMAL DATA

Rthiamb	Thermal Resistance Junction-ambient	Max	6.3	mW/°C



**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** (all voltages referenced to GND unless otherwise noted  $T_{amb}$  = 25 °C)

Symbol	Parameter	Test Conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Vs	Operating Supply Voltage				29	V
V <sub>si</sub>	Supply Initiation Voltage <sup>(1)</sup>	Trigger in Open Circuit (ML8204)	17	19	21	V
Vsus	Sustaining Voltage <sup>(2)</sup>		9.7	11	12	V
l <sub>si</sub>	Supply Initiation Current	No Load $V_s = V_{si}$ R <sub>SL</sub> = 6.8 k $\Omega$ (ML8205)	1.4	2.5	4.2	mA
I <sub>sus</sub>	Sustaining Current	No Load Vs = Vsus	0.7	1.2		mA
VTR	Trigger Voltage <sup>(3)</sup>		10.5			V
ITA	Trigger Current <sup>(3)</sup>		40		1000(5)	μA
VDIS	Disable Voltage <sup>(4)</sup>				0.8	V
IDIS	Disable Current <sup>(4)</sup>		- 50			μA
Vo	Output Voltage	No Load V <sub>s</sub> = 21 V	17	19	21	V
fo	Oscillator Frequency Tolerance	Component Tolerance Excluded			± 7	%

Notes: 1. Vs is the value of supply voltage which must be exceeded to trigger oscillation.

2. Vsus is the value of supply voltage required to maintain oscillation.

3. VTR and Hr are the conditions applied to Trigger In to start oscillation for  $V_{SUS} \le V_S \le V_S$ 

4. Vois and lois are the conditions applied to Trigger In to inhibit oscillation for Vs < Vs.

5. Trigger Current must be limited to this value externally.







#### FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

The M8204/ML8205 Tone Ringers are primarily intended for use as replacements for the mechanical bell in telephone sets. Each incorporates two oscillators, an output amplifier and a power supply control circuit. The devices can be powered directly from the telephone line using the a.c. ringing voltage, or they may be powered from a separate d.c. supply. The output amplifier is capable of driving a wide range of load impedances when powered from a low impedance supply. The power supply control circuit provides the hysteresis required to ensure positive triggering of the device and to prevent transient triggering due to dial pulsing.

As the power supply voltage to the ML8204/ML8205 is increased up to the supply initiation voltage (V<sub>SI</sub>), the supply current also increases up to (I<sub>Si</sub>). When V<sub>SI</sub> is exceeded, oscillation begins and the static power supply current decreases (see fig. 2a). The low frequency oscillator (LFO) oscillates at a rate (f<sub>L</sub>) controlled by an external resistor and capacitor. The frequency can be determined using the relation f<sub>L</sub> = 1/(1.234RC) where R is the value of the resistor connected between pin 3 and ground.

The output of the LFO is internally connected to the switching threshold circuitry of the high frequency (HFO). When the output of the LFO is high, HFO oscillates at its nominal rate (fH1), described by the relation  $f_{H1} = 1/(1.515 \text{RC})$  where R is the value of the resistor connected between pins 6 and 7, and C is the value of the capacitor connected between pin 6 and ground. When the output of the LFO is low, the HFO oscillates at a higher rate (fH2) described by the relation  $f_{H2} = 1.25 f_{H1}$ . Thus the LFO sets the warbling rate : the rate at which the HFO switches between the two tone frequencies fH1 and fH2. Oscillation continues until the supply voltage decreases below the sustaining voltage (Vsus). At this point, the power supply current undergoes a step increase (from Isus), and then ramps down in accoardance with the supply voltage.

In normal applications, Trigger in (pin 2) of the ML8204 is left open circuit. This pin allows external

triggering of oscillation of the ML8204 at supply voltages in the range  $V_{sus} \le V_s \le V_{si}$ . To do so, a voltage at least equal to the minimum trigger voltage (VTR) must be applied to pin 2.

Triggering the device is accomplished by sourcing a minimum current (I<sub>TR</sub>) into pin 2. This current must be limited to prevent damage to the triggering circuit. Tone ringer oscillation may also be inhibited at supply voltages in the range  $V_{si} < V_s \leq V_{s(max)}$  by applying a maximum disable voltage (V<sub>DIS</sub>) to pin 2. Disabling is accomplished by sinking a minimum current (I<sub>DIS</sub>) out of pin 2. (See Applications Section for details on the operation and use of the Trigger in pin).

The ML8205 requires the connection of a resistor, R<sub>SL</sub>, to program the slope of its supply current versus supply voltage characteristic prior to triggering ( $V_s \leq V_{si}$ ). This in turn determines the maximum supply initiation current ( $I_{si}$  drawn at the initiation voltage ( $V_{si}$ )). Programming is accomplished by connecting a slope determining resistor, R<sub>SL</sub>, between pin 2 and ground. The value of  $I_{si}$  varies inversely with the value of R<sub>SL</sub>. This feature can be used to control effective impedance presented to the telephone line by the ringer circuit. (See Applications section for detailed description on the operation and use of the R<sub>SL</sub> pin).

The output amplifier of the ML8204/ML8205 is capable of driving a wide range of load impedances when driven from a low source impedance power supply. When the device is powered from a telephone line, load impedance should be kept fairly high (800 or greater) to prevent power supply regulation problems. A transformer is thus required for driving loudspeakers as is an output coupling capacitor. Piezo-ceramic transducers may be driven directly. However, the tone frequencies fH1 and fH2 must normally be set higher (around 2 KHz) to ensure that the transducer delivers sufficient acoustic power. (Suitable piezo-ceramic transducers typically have maximum efficiency around 2 KHz). It is also necessary to connect a zener diode in parallel with the transducer to limit voltage surges generated by the transducer during mechanical shocks.



#### Table 1.

N°	Pin function	Description			
1	Vss	Positive Power Supply			
2	Trigger in	ML8204 - Oscillator External Trigger/Inhibit pin (must be connected through a current limiting resistor when used)			
	R <sub>SL</sub>	$ML8205$ - Initiation Current $(I_{si})$ Programmming Pin. (must be connected)			
3	Low f Time Constant	Low Frequency Time Constant Adjustement Pins. Used to Set Frequency Oscillator Switches f1 (by connection of appropriate resistor and capacitor. see fig. 3)			
5	GND	Negative Power Supply			
6	High f Time Constant	High Frequency Time Constant Adjustement Pins Used to Set Nominal Tone Output Frequency ( $f_{H1}$ ) (by connection of appropriate resistor and capacitor. see fig. 3)			
8	Output	Tone Output. (must be capacitively coupled for transformer coupled or resistive loads)			

## Figure 2 : ML8204/ML8205 Timing Diagram.



- Isi varies with RsL on ML8205. 1.
- 2. Trigger in on ML8204 connected through current limiting resistor.
- Oscillation triggered by Vs > Vs. A)

- D) Oscillation stopped by trigger in low for Vs  $\geq$  Vsus. Oscillation triggered by trigger in high, maintained until Vs < Vsus.
- E) F) Oscillation inhibited by trigger in low for Vs > Vs.



#### **APPLICATIONS**

# TYPICAL TELEPHONE OR EXTENSION TONE RINGER CIRCUIT

The circuit shown in fig. 3 illustrates the use of the ML8204/8205 devices in a typical telephone or extension tone ringer application. The a.c. ringing voltage appears across the TIP and RING inputs of the circuit and is attenuated by capacitor C1 and resistor R1. C1 also provides isolation from d.c. voltages on the line. After full wave rectification by the diode bridge BR1, the waveform is filtered by capacitor C4 to provide a d.c. supply for the tone ringer chip. As this voltage exceeds the initiation voltage. Vsi, oscillation starts. With the components shown, the output frequency chops between 512 Hz (fH1) and 640 Hz (fH2) at a 10 Hz (fL) rate. The loudspeaker load is coupled through a 1300  $\Omega$  to 8  $\Omega$  transformer. While the output impedance of the ML8204 is quite low, the load impedance must be kept fairly high. This is to prevent d.c. power supply regulation problems due to high source impedance of the telephone line and coupling components C1 and R1. The output coupling capacitor C<sub>5</sub> is required with

Figure 3 : Typical Tone Ringer Circuit.

transformer coupled loads. The value shown  $(0.22 \ \mu\text{F})$  presents a high enough impedance at the nominal ringing frequency to allow connection of fairly low impedance loads without upsetting the supply regulation. If the load impedance is large enough, then the value of this capacitor can be increased to couple more power to the load without upsetting the power supply to the ML8204. Potentiometer P1, is used to adjust the audio amplitude and resistor R4 is a current limiting resistor. Resistor R5 is a guenching resistor used to limit back emf generated by the inductive load when ringing stops. When driving a piezo-ceramic transducer type load, the coupling capacitor C5 is not required. However, a current limiting resistor is required as is a 29 V zener diode in parallel with the transducer. This diode limits the voltage transients than can generated by mechanical shocking of a piezo-ceramic transducer. The electrical characteristics shown in Table 2 indicate typical performance of this circuit. The incoming ringing voltage and frequency are determined by the telephone system.



Table 2 : Ty	pical Electrical	Characteristics of	f Tone Rir	nger Circuit	(fig. 3)	l
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Parameter	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit	Parameter	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Input Voltage	75	88	120	Vrms	Output				
Input Frequency	16	20	60	Hz	Frequencies fL f <sub>H1</sub> f <sub>H2</sub>	9 461 576	10 512 640	11 563 704	Hz Hz Hz
Input Current (when ringing)	-	8	11	mA <sub>rms</sub>	Output Voltage (Pin 8 '0' loop)	Ŧ	25	~	Vpp
Output power (into 8 transformer coupled load)	4	40	-	mW	Output Sound Pressure	80	85	90	dBA



#### USE OF TRIGGER IN (pin 2 ML8204)

Pin 2 of the ML8204 may be used to a) externally trigger oscillation for voltages in the range  $V_{sus} \le V_s \le V_{si}$ , or b) disable ringer operation. The equivalent circuit at pin 2 is shown in Fig. 5. The ringer circuit can only oscillate when  $Q_1$  is conducting. Normally when supply voltage  $V_s$  exceeds the supply initiation voltage ( $V_{si}$ ), base current flows into  $Q_1$ , via  $D_2$  and  $D_1$  causing  $Q_1$  to conduct. This continues until  $V_s$  is taken below the minimum sustaining voltage ( $V_{sus}$ ).

The ML8204 can be made to oscillate when powered from supply voltages in the range  $V_{sus} \le V_s \le V_{si}$ .



Oscillation is ensured by forcing a current I<sub>TR</sub> (10  $\mu$ A  $\leq$  I<sub>TR</sub>  $\leq$  1 mA) into pin 2 to provide base current to Q<sub>1</sub>. This requires the voltage applied to pin 2 to exceed V<sub>TR</sub> where V<sub>TR</sub> is the sum of the zener voltage of D<sub>3</sub>, the forward voltage drop of D<sub>2</sub> and the V<sub>BE</sub> of Q<sub>1</sub> (typically 11 V). The required current drive can be provided by connecting a resistor R<sub>E</sub> between pin 1 and V<sub>s</sub> (Fig. 5a) ; where : 20 KΩ  $\leq$  R<sub>E</sub>  $\leq$  (V<sub>s</sub> - 11)/10 MΩ. To operate the ML8204 from a d.c. 12 V supply, R<sub>E</sub> should be typically 50 K. This mode of operation can also be used to reduce the effective value of the V<sub>si</sub>, by inserting a zener diode in series with R<sub>E</sub> (fig. 5b). This modifies the initiating voltage to V<sub>si</sub> (Eff) = V<sub>TR</sub> + V<sub>E</sub> + 10 R<sub>E</sub> (R<sub>E</sub> is in M Ω).



Figure 5a : Enabling Oscillation of the ML8204 for Supply Voltages less than V<sub>si</sub>.





Oscillation of the ML8204 may be inhibited for voltages in the range  $V_{si} < Vs \leq V_{s(max)}$  by sinking the current from D<sub>1</sub>, starving Q<sub>1</sub> of base current. This is achieved by either a) grounding pin 2 (fig. 6a), or b) applying a voltage  $V_{\rm INH}$  via a resistor R<sub>1</sub> to pin 2 (fig. 6b) to ensure that :

 $V_{DIS}$  0.8 V, and  $I_{DIS} = \frac{V_{DIS} - V_{INH}}{R_1} \ge 40 \ \mu A.$ 

Figure 6 : Inhibiting Oscillation of the ML8204.

When driven from a fixed d.c. supply, oscillation of the ML8204 may be gated on or off by CMOS or TTL logic as shown in Fig. 7a and Fig. 7b respectively.



Figure 7a : Gating the ML8204 from CMOS.



Figure 7b : Gating the ML8204 from TTL.





#### PROGRAMMING THE ML8205 INITIATION CUR-RENT

Pin 2 of the ML8205 requires connection of an external resistor  $R_{\rm SL}$  (fig. 8), which is used to program the slope of the supply current vs, supply voltage characteristic, and hence the supply current up to the initiation voltage (Vsi). This initiation voltage remains constant independent of  $R_{\rm SL}$ . The supply initiation current (Isi) varies inversely with  $R_{\rm SL}$ , decreasing for increasing values of resistance. Thus, increasing the value of  $R_{\rm SL}$  will decrease the amount of a.c. ringing current required to trigger the device, As such, longer subscriber loops are possible since less voltage is dropped per unit length of loop wire due to the lower current level.  $R_{\rm SL}$  can also be used to compensate for smaller a.c. line coupling capaci-



tors (providing higher impedance) which can be used alter the ringer equivalence number of a tone ringer circuit.

The graph in fig. 9a illustrates the variation of supply current with supply voltage of the ML8205. Three curves are drawn to show the change in the slope of the I-V characteristic with R<sub>SL</sub>. Curve B (R<sub>SL</sub> = 6.8 KΩ) shows the I-V characteristic for the ML8204 tone ringer. Curve A is a plot with R<sub>SL</sub> = 5.0 KΩ and shows an increase in the current drawn up to the initiation voltage V<sub>Si</sub>. The I-V characteristic after initiation remains unchanged. Curve C illustrates the effect of increasing R<sub>SL</sub> to 13.0 KΩ. Initiation current decreases but again current after trigging is unchanged. The variation of I<sub>Si</sub>, with R<sub>SL</sub> is illustrated in fig. 9b.



Figure 9a : I-V Slope Change Due to RsL.



Figure 9b : Supply Initiation Current. (Isi) vs. RsL.





#### MITEL F.C.C. APPROVED TONE RINGER MO-DULE USING ML8205

The Mitel tone ringer module (CM3215) using the Mitel ML8205 tone ringer chip in the circuit below (fig. 10) has been approved by the F.C.C. (F.C.C. reg. number BN285B673550TN). The circuit has been given a ringer equivalence of 0.7 B. This accomplished by increasing the value of  $R_{SL}$  to 13 K $\Omega$  which reduces the supply initiation current ( $I_{si}$ ). This reduction in  $I_{si}$  allows the use of higher line coupling components (R<sub>1</sub> = 8.2 K $\Omega$ ) while ensuring sufficient voltage drop between pins 1 and 5 of the ML8205 for triggering. The 5.1 V zener diode D<sub>1</sub> presents a high impedance to low level signals on the tele-

Figure 10 : F.C.C. Approved Tone Ringer Circuit.

phone line while allowing tone ringer powering from high level rigging voltages.

## TRANSIENT OVERVOLTAGE TESTING OF THE ML8204 TONE RINGER

The following tests were performed to investigate the ability of the ML8204 to withstand transients on its power supply rails. All tests were performed using the circuit shown in fig. 11 with transient voltage pulses of the form shown in fig. 12. After each application of a transient pulse, functionality of the device was checked by switching S<sub>1</sub>, S<sub>2</sub>, and S<sub>3</sub> to the configuration shown in fig. 11.



Figure 11 : ML8204 Test Circuit (power supply transient).





The device was tested in two ways by applying pulses : 1) directly into the ML8204 power supply pins, and 2) to the complete ringer circuit TIP and RING inputs. In the first case with S1 in position "b", a series of pulses with magnitudes (V) from 30 V upwards applied from the TF152 until the ML8204 falled to operate. This was repeated for 10 devices. The unloaded value of V at which the devices ceased to operate varied from 84 to 88 V (VBK). Subsequently a number of devices were tested by applying 70 V pulses to each device. Instability was noted in some devices after 100 pulse applications. All devices ceased to function after 172 to 203 pulse applications. A further set of devices were tested with 64 V pulses. All devices withstood 300 pulse applications without any sign of degradation. In the second test, with switches S2 and S3 in position "b" and S1 in position "a", 800 and 1500 V pulses were repeatedly applied to the TIP and RING inputs of the



circuit. No degradation of the devices' operation was observed.

SINGLE TONE OPERATION OF THE ML8204/ML8205

The ML8204/ML8205 can be made to oscillate at one or the other of its output tone frequencies  $f_{H1}$  or  $f_{H2}$ . To do so, the tone frequency determining components are connected to pins 6 and 7 as normally done. Pin 3 is used as a control input. When pin 3 is connected to V<sub>s</sub>, the output (pin 6) will oscillate at the  $f_{H1}$  frequency. Conversely, when pin 3 is at ground, the output will oscillate at the  $f_{H2}$  frequency. The output can thus be switched between  $f_{H1}$  and  $f_{H2}$  externally by applying a control signal to pin 3. The low frequency oscillator may also be used separately by connecting the frequency determining components between pins 3 and 4 as normally done. The output is taken from pin 4. However, this is a fairly high impedance output.









## TYPICAL APPLICATION CIRCUITS FOR USE WITH A PIEZO-ELECTRIC TRANSDUCER

Feedback from a piezo-electric transducer can cause spurious oscillations on the output of a ML8204/5 tone ringer. These oscillations corrupt the normal two-tone output and change as the ringer switches off.

The oscillations occur because the piezo electric transducer resonates at its characteristic frequency. If the resonant amplitude is sufficient to pull pin 8 one bipolar threshold below pin 5 then the tone ringer may give a short spurious pulse.

This effect can be eliminated by using a bypass capacitor across the transducer as shown in fig. 14. The size of this capacitor is obviously dependent on the piezo-electric transducer used, but a value of 0.1  $\mu$ F is usually sufficient.

It is possible under specific conditions for a ML8204/5 tone ringer with a piezo-electric load to continue oscillating after the ringing voltage stops.

The ringer can be powered by the smoothing capacitor which is across pins 1 and 5 (see fig. 14). This causes the device to switch off slowly and since the output frequencies shift by about a musical semitone before oscillation stops, the output can have an unpleasant tail-off.

To eliminate this, a simple monitor can be used which switches the output off when ringing stops. fig. 16 shows a circuit which works with an ML8204. When ringing voltage is applied from the line, pin 2 is held between 2 and 10 V and the device functions normally. When ringing stops, pin 2 is pulled to ground and the ML8204 switches off.

There is no enable on the ML8205 corresponding to pin 2 on the ML8204. Fig. 16 shows a circuit which does not require the enable pin. The output is switched through an NPN transistor instead. During ringing the base of the transistor is forward biased and the load is enabled. When ringing stops the transistor switches off and deactivates the load.

Figure 14: Typical Application Circuit for Use with a Piezo-electric Transducer...









Figure 16 : ML8204/5 Circuit to eliminate Tail-off.

