

Evaluating the **ADXL356/ADXL357** Low Noise, Low Drift, Low Power, 3-Axis MEMS Accelerometers

FEATURES

- 2 sets of spaced vias for populating 6-pin headers
- Easily attaches to prototyping board or PCB
- Small size and board stiffness minimizes impact on the user system and acceleration measurements

EQUIPMENT NEEDED

External host processor

DOCUMENTS NEEDED

ADXL356/ADXL357 data sheet

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The **EVAL-ADXL356BZ**, the **EVAL-ADXL356CZ**, and the **EVAL-ADXL357Z** are evaluation boards that allow quick evaluation of the performance of the **ADXL356** and the **ADXL357** low noise, low power, 3-axis, MEMS accelerometers. The **EVAL-ADXL356BZ** is an analog output supporting a $\pm 2g$ or $\pm 4g$ accelerometer; the **EVAL-ADXL356CZ** is an analog output supporting a $\pm 2g$ or $\pm 8g$ accelerometer; and the **EVAL-ADXL357Z** is a digital output supporting a $\pm 2g$, $\pm 4g$, or $\pm 8g$ accelerometer.

These evaluation boards are ideal for evaluating the **ADXL356** and **ADXL357** in an existing system because the stiffness and the small size of the evaluation board minimizes the effect of the board on both the system and acceleration measurements.

Full details about the **ADXL356/ADXL357** are available in the **ADXL356/ADXL357** data sheet, which is available from Analog Devices, Inc., and should be consulted in conjunction with this user guide when using this evaluation board.

Note that the layout for the **EVAL-ADXL354BZ/EVAL-ADXL354CZ** applies to both the **EVAL-ADXL354BZ/EVAL-ADXL354CZ** and the **EVAL-ADXL356BZ/EVAL-ADXL356CZ**, and that the layout for the **EVAL-ADXL355Z** evaluation board applies to both the **EVAL-ADXL355Z** and the **EVAL-ADXL357Z**.

PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARD LAYOUTS

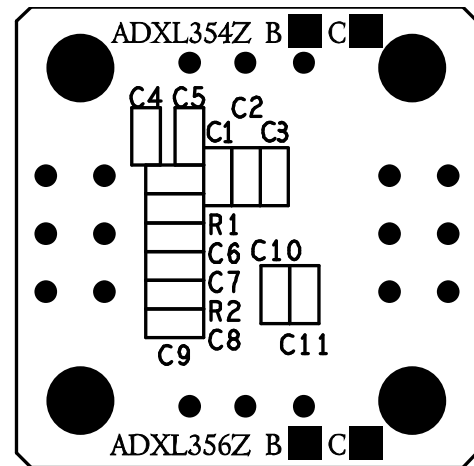


Figure 1. **EVAL-ADXL356BZ/EVAL-ADXL356CZ** Evaluation Board

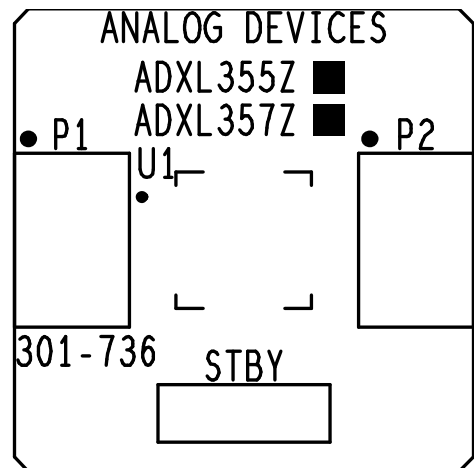


Figure 2. **EVAL-ADXL357Z** Evaluation Board

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REVISION HISTORY

2/2017—Revision 0: Preliminary Version

EVALUATION BOARD HARDWARE

The [EVAL-ADXL356BZ](#), the [EVAL-ADXL356CZ](#), and the [EVAL-ADXL357Z](#) evaluation boards allow users to access the individual connections of the [ADXL356](#) and the [ADXL357](#). Each of the evaluation boards includes decoupling capacitors for the supplies, a few discrete resistors that provide isolation on the V1P8ANA and V1P8DIG pins, and two 6-pin headers. Refer to the [ADXL356/ADXL357](#) data sheet for more details on the specific pin definitions. The power supplies for the [ADXL356](#) and the [ADXL357](#) are decoupled using multiple 0.1 μ F ceramic (0603) capacitors.

The [EVAL-ADXL356BZ/EVAL-ADXL356CZ](#) evaluation board has capacitors on each axis output to set the output low-pass filter and two 3-position jumpers to configure RANGE and mode (tied to the [ADXL356](#) STBY pin). The two 6-pin headers provide access to all other pins.

Header P1 provides access to VDDIO (used to set the RANGE pin and the STBY levels on the [ADXL356](#) board), VDD (which supplies the [ADXL356](#) V_{SUPPLY} pin), V_{SS}/V_{SSIO} (supply common connection), and X_{OUT}, Y_{OUT}, and Z_{OUT}, as shown in Figure 3.

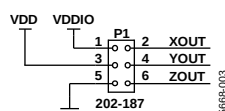


Figure 3. [EVAL-ADXL356BZ/EVAL-ADXL356CZ](#) Function Block Diagram for Header P1

Header P2 provides access to V1P8ANA, V1P8DIG, TEMP, ST1, ST2, and VSS (supply common connection), as shown in Figure 4.

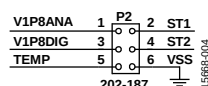


Figure 4. [EVAL-ADXL356BZ/EVAL-ADXL356CZ](#) Function Block Diagram for Header P2

The [EVAL-ADXL357Z](#) uses two 6-pin headers to provide access to all pins. Header P1 provides access to VDDIO, VDD (which is connected to the [ADXL357](#) V_{SUPPLY} pin), VSS/VSSIO (supply common connection), INT1, INT2, and DRDY, as shown in Figure 5.

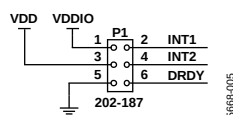


Figure 5. [EVAL-ADXL357Z](#) Function Block Diagram for Header P1

Header P2 provides access to V1P8ANA, V1P8DIG, MISO/ASEL, CS/SCL, SCLK/VSSIO, and MOSI/SDA, as shown in Figure 6.

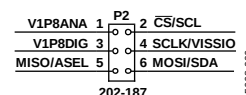


Figure 6. [EVAL-ADXL357Z](#) Function Block Diagram for Header P2

The vias or headers allow the evaluation boards to attach to either a prototyping breadboard or a printed circuit board (PCB) in an existing user system. Four holes are provided in the corners of the evaluation boards for mechanical attachment of the evaluation boards in many applications. An external host processor is required for communication to the [ADXL357](#), while the analog output of the [ADXL356](#) must be connected to a band limited analog to digital converter (ADC).

The dimensions of the evaluation boards are 0.8" × 0.8".

CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION

The PCB layout of the [EVAL-ADXL356BZ/EVAL-ADXL356CZ](#) is shown in Figure 1, and the PCB layout of the [EVAL-ADXL357Z](#) is shown in Figure 2. The [ADXL356/ADXL357](#) each have two power modes. They can be powered either by integrated, low dropout regulators (LDOs) or by external user supplied 1.8 V regulated supplies. Refer to the [ADXL356/ADXL357](#) data sheet for more information.

HANDLING CONSIDERATIONS

The [EVAL-ADXL356BZ](#), the [EVAL-ADXL356CZ](#), and the [EVAL-ADXL357Z](#) evaluation boards are not reverse polarity protected. Reversing any of the supply connections including the V_{SS} and the V_{SSIO} pins can cause damage to the [ADXL356/ADXL357](#).

Dropping the evaluation boards on a hard surface can generate several thousand g of acceleration, which can exceed the [ADXL356/ADXL357](#) data sheet absolute maximum limits.

Note that the layout for the [EVAL-ADXL354BZ/EVAL-ADXL354CZ](#) applies to both the [EVAL-ADXL354BZ/EVAL-ADXL354CZ](#) and the [EVAL-ADXL356BZ/EVAL-ADXL356CZ](#), and that the layout for the [EVAL-ADXL355Z](#) evaluation board applies to both the [EVAL-ADXL355Z](#) and the [EVAL-ADXL357Z](#).



ORDERING INFORMATION

BILL OF MATERIALS (BOM)

Table 1. BOM for the [EVAL-ADXL356BZ/EVAL-ADXL356CZ](#) Board

Qty	Reference Designator	Description	Manufacturer	Part Number
1	U1	High performance, 3-axis MEMS accelerometer, LC-14	Analog Devices, Inc.	ADXL356
11	C1 to C11	Capacitors, ceramic, 0.1 μ F, 50 V, 10%, X7R, 0603	Cal-Chip	GMC10X7R104K50NTLF
2	R1, R2	Resistors, 1 k Ω , 1/10 W, 1%, 0603	Cal-Chip	CR0603F1001T1LF
2	MODE, RANGE	Jumpers, 3-position, through hole	Prolex	2556P03UA00
2	P1, P2	Headers, male, nonshrouded, 2 $\times$ 3, 0.1" spacing, through hole, do not insert	FCI	67996-206HLF
1	PCB	EVAL-ADXL356BZ/EVAL-ADXL356CZ	Analog Devices	

Table 2. BOM for the [EVAL-ADXL357Z](#) Board

Qty	Reference Designator	Description	Manufacturer	Part Number
1	U1	High performance, 3-axis MEMS accelerometer, LC-14	Analog Devices	ADXL357
8	C4 to C11	Capacitors, ceramic, 0.1 μ F, 50 V, 10%, X7R, 0603	Cal-Chip	GMC10X7R104K50NTLF
2	R1, R2	Resistors, 1 k Ω , 1/10 W, 1%, 0603	Cal-Chip	CR0603F1001T1LF
1	STBY	Jumper, 3-position, through hole	Prolex	2556P03UA00
2	P1, P2	Headers, male, nonshrouded, 2 $\times$ 3, 0.1" spacing, through hole, do not insert	FCI	67996-206HLF
1	PCB	EVAL-ADXL357Z	Analog Devices	



ESD Caution

ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device. Charged devices and circuit boards can discharge without detection. Although this product features patented or proprietary protection circuitry, damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy ESD. Therefore, proper ESD precautions should be taken to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

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