

## Evaluation Board User Guide

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### **DESCRIPTION**

The ZXCT1022EV1 evaluation board is intended for the evaluation of the ZXCT1022 device.

The ZXCT1022 is a precision high-side current sense monitor. Using this type of device eliminates the need to disrupt the ground plane when sensing a load current. The ZXCT1022 provides a fixed gain of 100 for applications where minimal sense voltage is required. The very low offset voltage enables a typical accuracy of 3% for sense voltages of only 10mV, giving better tolerances for small sense resistors necessary at higher currents. The wide input voltage range of 20V down to as low as 2.5V makes it suitable for a range of applications.

It requires no additional components thus making it a versatile device with minimal components count.

The evaluation board is delivered with the values shown in Figure 1 below. As can be seen, R<sub>S</sub> consists of two resistors (R1 and R2) which are configured in parallel such that either one or both resistors could be connected by completing the solder-bridge link next to each one. R2 (0.1R) is connected by default.

R3 consists of two pads with a hole in each pad and provides means for connecting an external  $R_{\rm S}$ .

With the values shown the board produces an output of 1V/A

The printed circuit board is common to other devices in the ZXCT family and contains redundant component positions which will not be discussed here as they are not relevant.

### **FEATURES**

- High side current sensing
- Supply Range 2.5V to 20V.
- Fixed gain of 100
- 1% typical accuracy
- 5 Pin SOT23-5 package

### **APPLICATIONS**

- Battery Charging
- Power Supplies
- Over Current Monitoring
- Automotive current measurement



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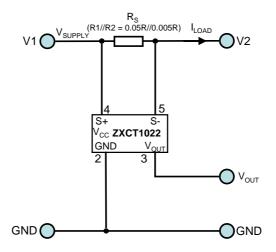


Figure 1 Equivalent circuit diagram for evaluation board ZXCT1022EV1



Figure 2 Evaluation board components' layout



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### ORDERING INFORMATION

ORDER NUMBER
ZXCT1022EV1

Please note evaluation boards are subject to availability and qualified leads.

### PAD NAMES AND DEFINITIONS

NAME	DESCRIPTION		
V1	Supply Voltage		
V2	Connection to Load		
VOUT	Output Voltage		
FLAG	Not used		
GND	0V / Ground		
SL1,SL2	Solder Links		
V <sub>cc</sub>	Not used		

The target applications are battery chargers, power supply units and other applications where high side current measurement is a requirement.

The input voltage (voltage on V1) range for the ZXCT1022EV1 is from 2.5V to 20V.



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## **ZXCT1022EV1 Summary**

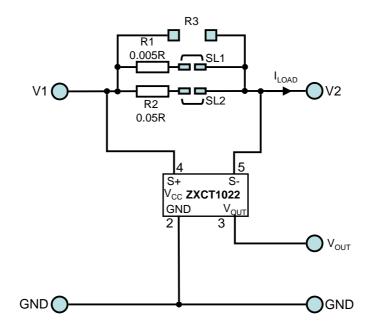


Figure 3 Actual circuit diagram for ZXCT1022EV1

## **Sense resistor**

The board has been designed with two selectable values of sense resistor. The value of the sense resistor can be chosen by using the solder links SL1 and SL2.

The board is also tracked for a user defined through hole resistor (R3).

The  $5m\Omega$  resistor (R1) is selected by shorting SL1 and opening SL2. This results in an output of 0.5 V/A.

The  $50m\Omega$  resistor (R2) is selected by shorting SL2 and opening SL1, resulting in an output of 5V/A.

If both links are shorted the effective resistance is  $4.54m\Omega$  giving an output of 454~mV/A.

If both links are open, the optional leaded resistor R3 can be exclusively used as the sense resistor. The maximum power dissipation rating of the resistor must be appropriate to the load current level.

For further information on choosing a value of sense resistor please refer to the ZXCT1022 datasheet.



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### Configuration table for ZXCT1022EV1

LOAD CURRENT (A)	$R_{SENSE}$ (m $\Omega$ )	VOUT (V)	SOLDER LINK CONFIGURATION
1.0	5	0.5	Short SL1
1.0	50	5	Short SL2
1.0	4.54	0.454	Short SL1 & SL2

## **Configuration for different LOAD currents.**

The board can be configured for different load currents by changing the SMD resistors or fitting a suitable wire ended resistor and opening both solder links. It is important to ensure an appropriate value of  $R_{\rm S}$  is selected to obtain the desired accuracy for a given output current.

The value of V<sub>OUT</sub> is the voltage dropped across the sensing resistor multiplied by a hundred.

Choosing a larger value for  $R_S$  gives a higher output voltage for a given current resulting in better resolution but at the expense of increased voltage drop and higher dissipation in  $R_S$ .

The ZXCT1022 is optimized for values of V<sub>SENSE</sub> between 10mV and 100mV.

### **Accuracy**

The ZXCT1022 has a typical 3% accuracy for a  $V_{\text{SENSE}}$  of between 10mV and 100mV. The accuracy of the output voltage will be influenced by the tolerance of the external sense used. The ZXCT1022EV1 utilizes 1% sense resistors.



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### **COMPONENTS LIST**

Ref	Value	Package	Part Number	Manuf- acturer	Notes
R1	$5m\Omega$	1206	LR1206-R005FI	Welwyn	SMD Sense Resistor 1%
R2	$50 \text{m}\Omega$	1206	LR1206-R050FI	Welwyn	SMD Sense Resistor 1%
R5,R6	0R	Link			
ZXCT		SOT23-5	ZXCT1022E5	ZETEX	

### **SET-UP AND TEST**

The board is preset to give an output Voltage of 5V for a load current of 1A - SL2 is shorted to connect in the  $50m\Omega$  (R2) sense resistor. To change the board to give an output Voltage of 0.5V for a current of 1.0A, de-solder SL2 and short SL1. This connects the  $5m\Omega$  (R1) sense resistor.

## **Required Equipment**

- 1 x 10R 5W resistor (load). 1.
- 2. 1 x adjustable bench PSU's.
- 3. 2 x DVM's (one for voltage measurement and one for current measurement)

### 500mA load test

- 1. Ensure SL2 is shorted.
- 2. Connect the bench power supply, PSU1, between the V1 and GND terminals.
- 3. Connect a resistor in series with an ammeter set to 1A or 2A range between the V2 and GND terminals - 10R 5W suggested. If using a different value, make sure its power rating is  $P \ge 2(I^{2*}R)$ . Make sure PSU1 is set to zero volts to start with.
- 4. Switch on PSU1 and adjust until the ammeter reads 500 mA ±2 mA,
- 5. Measure  $V_{OUT}$  with a DVM. The output voltage should read 2.5V  $\pm$  0.1 V.



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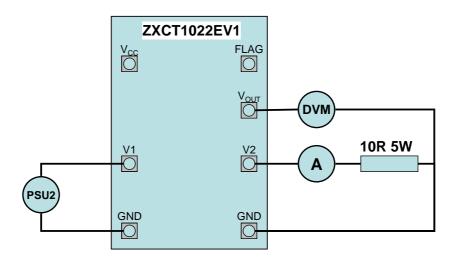
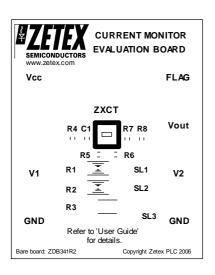
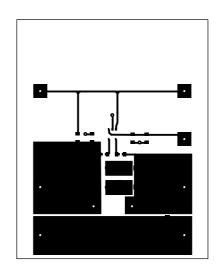


Figure 4 Test diagram for ZXCT1022EV1

### **EVALUATION BOARD**





**Top Silk** 

**Top Copper** 



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