



CAT4201 LED Driver Evaluation Board

INTRODUCTION

This document describes the CAT4201EVAL2 evaluation board for the CAT4201 high efficiency step-down LED driver. Boards equipped with a 9V battery and separate LED module can be used for demonstrations (see Figure 1).

The CAT4201 is a high efficiency step-down LED driver from Catalyst Semiconductor. This device is designed to drive high brightness LEDs up to 350mA from a power supply up to 28V. The LED brightness is controlled by a single resistor from the RSET pin to GND. Analog dimming and idle mode control are available through the CTRL input. An external circuit is provided on the CAT4201EVAL2 for PWM dimming.

OPERATION PROCEDURE

The CAT4201EVAL2 board has two modes of operation. The first is normal operation and the second is operation with PWM dimming. Normal operation is set by placing jumper J1 in the right side position with pins 2 and 3 tied together. In this mode, the CTRL pin is pulled up to the LED cathode (LED-). The LED(s) will be at full brightness as long as the CTRL pin is greater than 3V. LED current can be set from 70mA to 350mA by adjusting potentiometer R2.

To set the board for PWM dimming, jumper J1 should be placed in the left side position with pins 1 and 2 tied together. A PWM signal can be applied to the PWM pin to dim the LED brightness. The amplitude of the PWM signal should be greater than 1V.

DEVICE DEMONSTRATION

To set up the CAT4201EVAL2 for demonstrations, the board should be configured for normal operation with a 9V battery securely placed in the holder. A separate LED module should also be plugged into the 6-pin connector, as shown in Figure 1. To turn on the LED, press and hold the *POWER* button. The LED will turn off once the button is released.

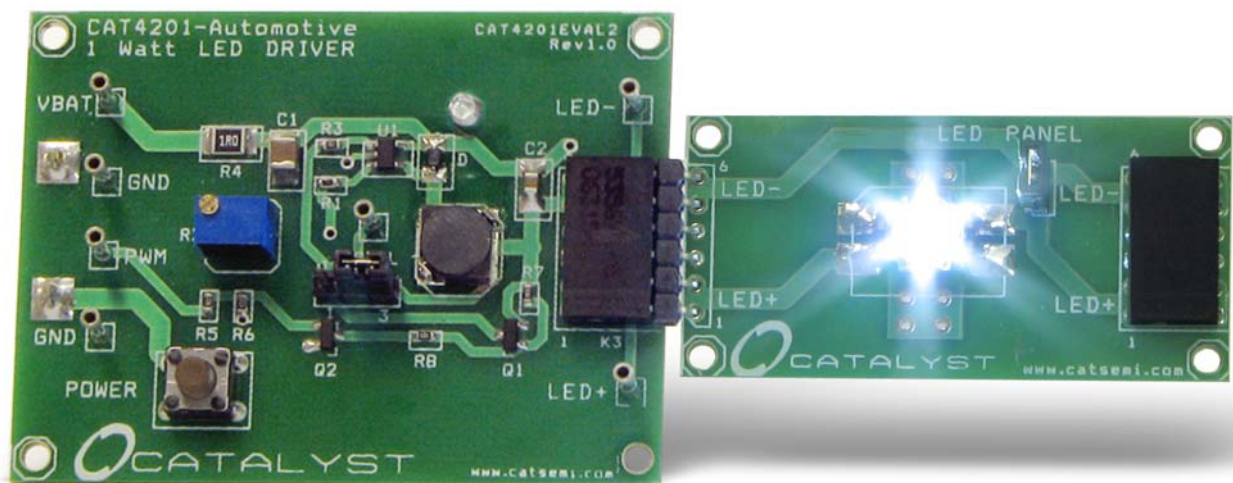


Figure 1. CAT4201EVAL2 with LED Module

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