

**PI7C9X2G304SL /  
PI7C9X2G404SL**  
PCI Express Packet Switch  
Evaluation Board  
User's Manual

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## REVISION HISTORY

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8/12/2011	1.2	Added PI7C9X2G304SL description
3/7/2012	2.0	Updated board design to ver4.0
9/17/2012	2.1	Added 2.1 Initial Setup for WAKE# Function
6/14/2013	2.2	Updated Product Features

## 1. General Information

The PI7C9X2G404SL Evaluation Board is built on the PI7C9X2G404SL / PI7C9X2G404SL, a 3-port 4-lane / 4-port 4-lane PCI Express Gen2 Packet Switch. The Evaluation Board is a rapid and complete solution for software and hardware development with low risk and fast time-to-market. The Evaluation Board allows the upstream port of the PI7C9X2G304SL / PI7C9X2G404SL packet switch to be directly plugged into a x1 PCI Express slot on a system board. The downstream slots of the Evaluation Board allow connections to three other x1 PCI Express end devices.

### 1.1. PI7C9X2G404SL Features

- 4-lane PCI Express Gen 2 Switch with 4 PCI Express ports
- Supports “Cut-through”(Default) as well as “Store and Forward” mode for packet switching
- Peer-to-peer switching between any two downstream ports
- 150 ns typical latency for packet routed through Switch without blocking
- Integrated reference clock for downstream ports
- Strapped pins configurable with optional EEPROM or SMBus
- SMBus interface support
- Compliant with System Management (SM) Bus, Version 1.0
- Compliant with *PCI Express Base Specification Revision 2.1*
- Compliant with *PCI Express CEM Specification Revision 2.0*
- Compliant with *PCI-to-PCI Bridge Architecture Specification Revision 1.2*
- Compliant with *Advanced Configuration Power Interface (ACPI) Specification*
- Advanced Power Saving
- Supports Isochronous Traffic
- Supports up to 512-byte maximum payload size
- Programmable driver current and de-emphasis level at each individual port
- Support Access Control Service (ACS) for peer-to-peer traffic
- Support Address Translation (AT) packet for SR-IOV application
- Support OBFF and LTR
- Low Power Dissipation: 650 mW typical in L0 normal mode
- Industrial Temperature Range -40° to 85°C
- 128-pin LQFP 14mm x 14mm package

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- 4-lane PCI Express Gen 2 Switch with 3 PCI Express ports
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### **1.3. PI7C9X2G304SL / PI7C9X2G404SL Evaluation Board Features**

- PI7C9X2G304SL / PI7C9X2G404SL in 128-pin LQFP 14mm x 14mm package
- Supports one x1 upstream PCI Express port
- Supports two / three x1 downstream PCI Express slot connectors
- Manual push-button MREST# capability
- LED indicators for visual inspection
- Uses ATX hard disk power connector to supply power to the packet switch and the connected add-in cards

Evaluation Board Front View

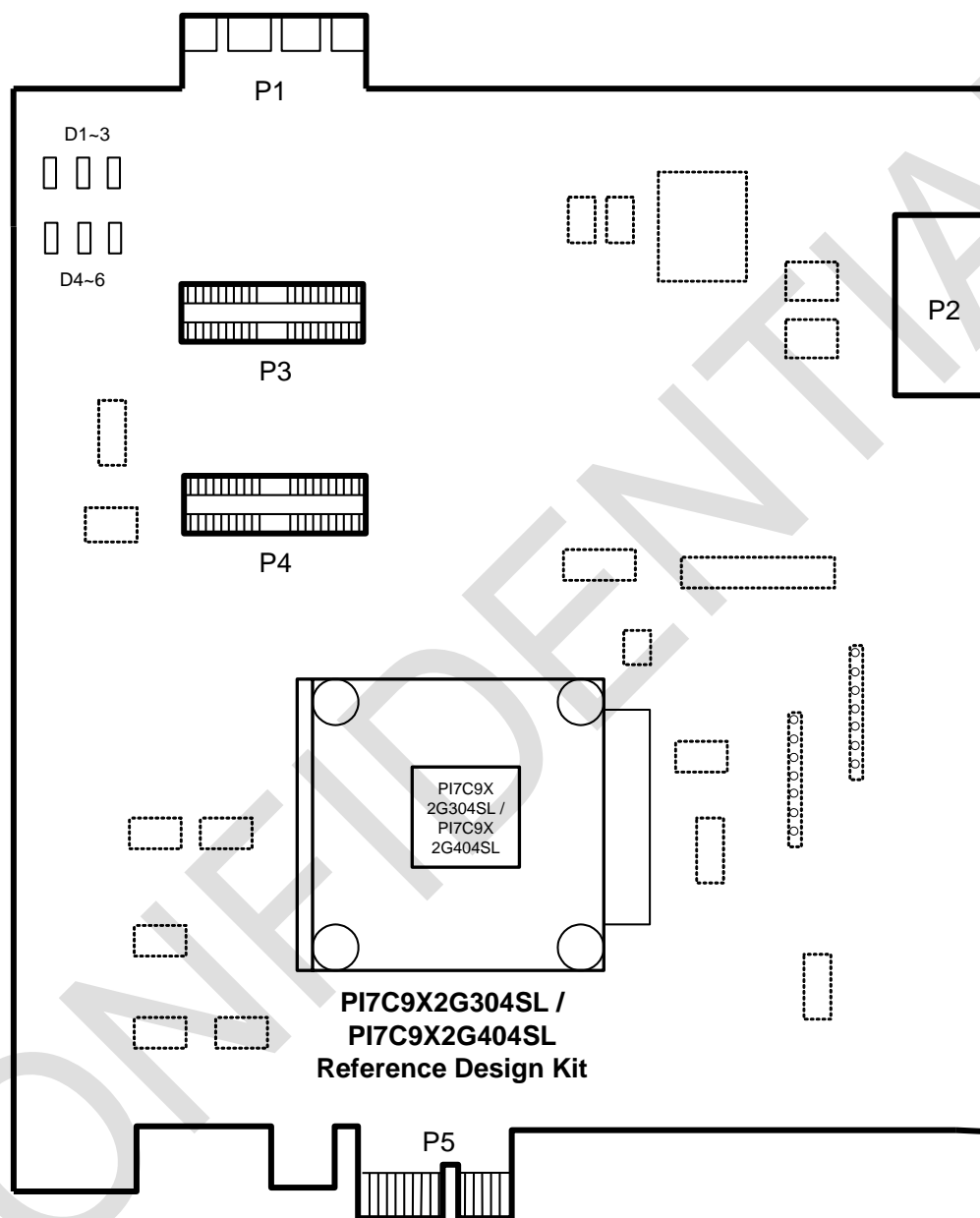
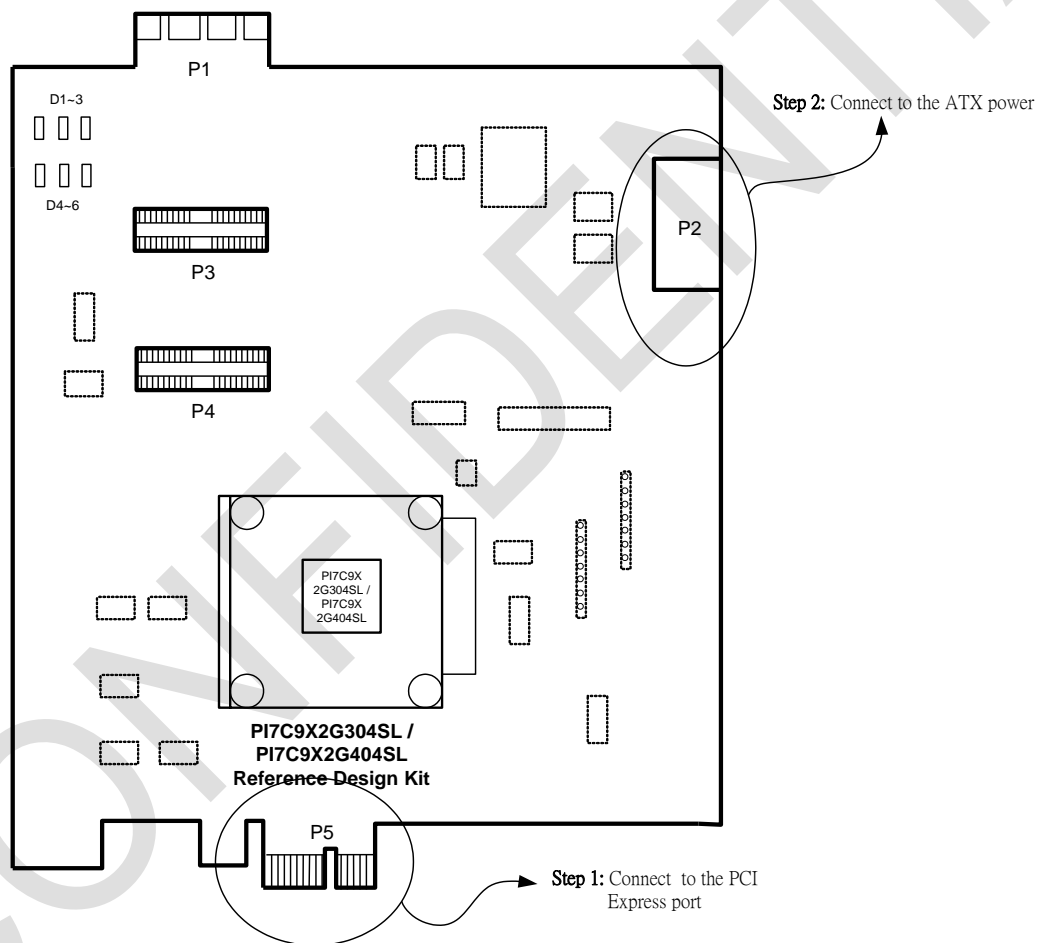


Figure 1-1 PI7C9X2G404SL / PI7C9X2G404SL Evaluation Board Front View



## 2. Initial Setup

- Step 1. Connect the upstream PCI Express connector (P5) of the Evaluation Board to the PCI Express slot on the Root Complex. The Evaluation Board should be connected to the Root Complex before it is connected to the ATX power.
- Step 2. Connect the ATX power cord from an external power source to the ATX power connector of the Evaluation Board. The Evaluation Board does not get its power from the PCI Express slot, and it requires external ATX power to function.



## 2.1. Initial Setup for WAKE# Function

If the WAKE# function is to be used, downstream ports need to be supplied with 3.3VAUX power source, instead of the default 3.3V\_EXT. To connect 3.3VAUX power to downstream ports, the resistor connected to 3.3V\_EXT needs to be removed, and the resistor connected to 3.3VAUX needs to be added with 0-ohm resistance. Please refer to the reference schematics of the specific board for the resistors.

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### 3. On-Board LED Indicators and Connectors

#### 3.1. LED Indicators

The Evaluation Board provides a number of LED indicators to conveniently display the status of the output signals. The name and function of each of the indicator is listed and explained in the table below.

**Table 3-1 LED Indicator Description**

LED Location	Name	Function	Description
D1	3.3VAUX	3.3V Auxiliary Power	Indicates the status of the 3.3V auxiliary power supply. The indicator is active-high.
D2	12VCC_EXT	12V Power	Indicates the status of the 12V external power supply. The indicator is active-high.
D3	3.3V_EXT	3.3V Power	Indicates the status of the 3.3V external power supply. The indicator is active-high.
D4 to D6	LANEACT0 to LANEACT2	Reserved	

### 3.2. Connector Ports and Power Connector

The Evaluation Board provides three downstream PCI Express ports to enable connections to various end devices. The Evaluation Board uses an ATX hard disk power connector to supply power to the packet switch and the connected add-in cards

**Table 3-2 Connector Port Function**

Port	Function
P5	For PI7C9X2G404SL: x1 upstream PCI Express port. Connects to the Root Complex
	For PI7C9X2G304SL: x1 or x2 upstream PCI Express port. Connects to the Root Complex
P1	x1 downstream PCI Express port1. Connects to a PCI Express end device
P3	x1 downstream PCI Express port2. Connects to a PCI Express end device
P4	For PI7C9X2G404SL: x1 downstream PCI Express port3. Connects to a PCI Express end device
	For PI7C9X2G304SL: Not Connected
P2	ATX hard disk power connector