Meet the SimpleLink™ Sensor Controller

Create smart sensor solutions that run for years on a coin cell battery

Sensor Controller (SC) quick facts

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<td>SC can read / write values to dedicated memory (4KB SRAM) and notify the main MCU to read the data on wake-up.</td>
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<td>SC can perform advanced tasks like capacitive touch and inductive sensing</td>
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The Sensor Controller was specifically designed with low power applications in mind – giving developers the ability to create smart sensors that run for years on a coin cell battery. It is programmable and allows users to read and process data to make low level decisions while the rest of the system sleeps. The Sensor Controller can then wake up the system to perform more computationally-intensive tasks or transmit a message with the radio. Here are some examples of the power numbers achieved for certain applications and basic functions:

- 1-Hz ADC sampling: 1 uA
- SPI (20 reads / second): 1.4 uA
- 100-Hz comparator reading: 1.5 uA
- Inductive sensing for flow meter (16-Hz): 1.7uA
- Capacitive touch (two buttons @33-Hz): 9uA

Key resources

**Getting started**

- **Tech note:** [Ultra-Low Power Designs With the CC13x2 and CC26x2 Sensor Controller](#)
- **App note:** [Getting Started With the CC13xx and CC26xx Sensor Controller](#)

**Development**

- **App note:** [Integrating Sensor Controller Studio Examples Into ProjectZero](#)

**Tools**

- **Software IDE:** SimpleLink Sensor Controller Studio

**Development hardware:** SimpleLink Multi-Band CC1352R LaunchPad

**Sensor hardware:** SimpleLink Ultra-low power sense BoosterPack

**Blog:** [Your microcontroller deserves a nap – designing “sleepy” wireless applications](#)

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