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1 Key System Specifications

PARAMETER	SPECIFICATION	DETAILS
Wi-Fi chip	A Single-Chip Wireless MCU with integrated Wi-Fi network processor and power management subsystem	Refer to the following link: http://www.ti.com/product/cc3200
Bluetooth Smart chip	The CC2650 is a wireless MCU targeting Bluetooth Smart, ZigBee™ and 6LoWPAN, and ZigBee RF4CE remote control applications	Refer to the following link: http://www.ti.com/product/cc2650
Power chip	The TPS79601 low dropout (LDO) low- power linear voltage regulator features ultralow-noise and excellent line and load transient responses in small outline, 3 × 3 VSON package	Refer to the following link: http://www.ti.com/product/tps79601/descri ption
ESD chip	The TPD2EUSB30 are 2 channel Transient Voltage Suppressor (TVS) based Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) protection diode arrays	Refer to the following link: http://www.ti.com/product/TPD2EUSB30
Antenna	2450AT18D0100 for <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart and 2450AT42B100 for Wi-Fi. 2.4 Ghz, ceramic chip antenna	Refer to the following links: http://www.johansontechnology.com/datas heets/antennas/2450AT18D0100.pdf http://www.johansontechnology.com/datas heets/antennas/2450AT42B100.pdf
V _{IN}	Input voltage 5 V, USB powered	
V _{OUT}	Output voltage 3.3 V, powers the gateway	

Table 1. Key System Specifications

1.1 Deliverables

The *Bluetooth* Smart to Wi-Fi Gateway TI design comprises the following mentioned collaterals.

1.1.1 Hardware Design Files

The hardware design files help the customer design a custom board. The package includes schematics, layout, and Gerber files.

1.1.2 Software Source

The software package contains all the gateway source files. The software is modular, which makes it easier for the developer to include a particular module.

1.1.3 Collaterals

This design guide explains the usage of the gateway.

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2 System Description

Figure 1 shows the gateway block diagram.



Figure 1. The Gateway Block Diagram

This *Bluetooth* Smart-to-Wi-Fi Gateway solution connects the *Bluetooth* Smart devices to the cloud over Wi-Fi. The integrated hardware solution comprises the CC3200 Wi-Fi wireless MCU and the CC2650 Wireless MCU on a single board. Customers may reuse the reference design to design their own gateway. The software and hardware design resources reduce engineering efforts, shorten time to market, and help developers and customers release their products with cloud connectivity features faster.

The CC3200 Wireless MCU is an intelligent, low-power Wi-Fi chip with an ARM® Cortex®-M4 application processor. The CC3200 contains a wireless network processor with stable and certified TCP / IP stack integrated on a single chip. The device comes with on-chip security protocols and various network application protocols (mDNS and others). CC3200 is the first and only chip in the world to be Wi-Fi certified® by the Wi-Fi alliance at chip level.

The CC3200 SDK (Software Development Kit) facilitates easy development experience for the user. The CC3200 contains CCS, IAR and GCC toolchain support, app notes and extensive user guides. The SimpleLink[™] APIs provide an easy and well abstracted access to the stack functionality. The SDK provides MQTT support (for IoT), OTA (Over The Air) download support, and numerous MCU examples, which reduces the development effort and thereby reduces the time to market. Extensive E2E support from TI helps the developers at every stage.

CC2650 is an ultralow-power wireless MCU capable of running multiple protocols (*Bluetooth* Smart, ZigBee, and 6LowPAN). This wireless MCU can run for years even when powered by coin-cell batteries or any energy-harvested sources.

The CC2650 platform comes ready-to-use, royalty free, and with certified wireless protocol stacks, TI RTOS, Code Composer Studio[™] integrated development environment (IDE), development tools, online training, and E2E community support.

The CC3200 Wireless MCU powers the entire board and also communicates and controls the CC2650 *Bluetooth* Smart Wireless MCU over UART. With the support of its built-in Wi-Fi network processor, the CC3200 Wireless MCU ensures seamless connection with the remote cloud. The CC2650 Wireless MCU can connect to multiple *Bluetooth* Smart devices.

Two LED indicators are provided to indicate the status. Two buttons are provided to trigger various actions. A simple button is provided to switch the CC3200 to UARTLoad mode. Debugging and programming options for both CC3200 and CC2650 chips are provided by dedicated JTAG ports.

The gateway can easily be configured for the first time using the Command Line Interface (CLI). UniFlash flashes the binaries on CC3200.

A 1-MB Serial Flash (SFLASH) is provided for storing the binaries, and configuration files.

A dedicated RESET button is provided to bring the gateway out of unknown conditions during development.



System Description

2.1 CC2650—Wireless MCU

Figure 2 shows the CC2650 block diagram.



Figure 2. CC2650 Block Diagram

The CC2650 is a wireless-MCU-targeting *Bluetooth* Smart application. The device is a member of the CC26xx family of cost-effective, ultralow-power, 2.4-GHz RF devices. Very low active RF current consumption and very low MCU current consumption provide excellent battery lifetime and allows operation on small-coin cell batteries and in energy-harvesting applications. The CC2650 contains a 32-bit ARM Cortex[™] M3 running at 48-MHz as the main processor and a rich peripheral feature set. This set includes a unique ultralow-power sensor controller, which is ideal for interfacing external sensors and collecting analog and digital data autonomously while the rest of the system is in sleep mode.

CC2650 is a network processor in the gateway design. For more details of CC2650, see the product page.

2.2 CC3200—Wireless MCU

The CC3200 MCU subsystem contains an industry-standard ARM Cortex M4 core running at 80 MHz. The device includes a wide variety of peripherals, including a fast parallel camera interface, I²S, SD and MMC, UART, SPI, I²C, and four-channel ADC. The CC3200 family includes flexible embedded RAM for code and data, and ROM with an external serial flash bootloader and peripheral drivers.

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Figure 3 shows the CC3200 block diagram.



Figure 3. CC3200 Block Diagram

The Wi-Fi network processor subsystem features a Wi-Fi Internet-on-a-Chip[™] and contains an additional dedicated ARM MCU that completely offloads the applications MCU. This subsystem includes an 802.11 b/g/n radio, baseband, and MAC with a powerful crypto engine for fast, secure Internet connections with 256-bit encryption. The CC3200 device supports Station, Access Point, and Wi-Fi Direct modes. The device also supports WPA2 personal and enterprise security and WPS 2.0. The Wi-Fi Internet-on-a-chip includes embedded TCP/IP and TLS/SSL stacks, and multiple internet protocols.

The CC3200 is the host processor in the gateway design. For more details about CC3200, see the product page.

2.3 TPS79601—Power IC

The TPS796 family of low-dropout (LDO), low-power linear voltage regulators features high power-supply rejection ratio (PSRR), ultralow-noise, fast startup, and excellent line and load transient responses in small-outline, 3×3 VSON, SOT223-6, and TO-263 packages. Each device in the family is stable with a small, 1-µF ceramic capacitor on the output. The family uses an advanced, proprietary BiCMOS fabrication process to yield extremely low dropout voltages (for example, 250 mV at 1 A). Each device achieves fast start-up times.

For more details of TPS79601, see the product page.

2.4 TPD2EUSB30 ESD Protection Diode

The TPD2EUSB30 is a 2-channel Transient-Voltage-Suppressor (TVS)-based Electrostatic-Discharge (ESD)-protection diode array. The TPDxEUSB30/A devices are rated to dissipate ESD strikes at the maximum level specified in the IEC 61000-4-2 international standard (Contact). These devices also offer 5-A (8 / 20 μ s) peak pulse current ratings per IEC 61000-4-5 (Surge) specification.

For more details of TPD2EUSB30, see the product page.



System Design Theory

3 System Design Theory

The *Bluetooth* Smart-to-Wi-Fi IoT gateway aims at addressing the problem statement *How can the data* on a *Bluetooth* Smart device be available over the internet or on a Wi-Fi enabled device. Figure 4 shows the gateway system.



Figure 4. Gateway System

SensorTag is one of TI's most popular designs. The *Bluetooth* Smart-enabled version is usually limited to using a phone or tablet as a gateway, which limits the use in more infrastructure-oriented applications as the phone may not always be present. Given the emergence of the Internet of Things (IoT), these devices should be connected to the Internet or a private LAN seamlessly (that is, without changing the software or design of the existing SensorTag modules).

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3.1 Architecture

Figure 5 shows the software architecture.



Figure 5. Software Architecture

The CC3200 Wireless MCU acts as a master and controls the CC26XX *Bluetooth* Smart Wireless MCU. The Gateway enabler application on the CC26XX brings out the *Bluetooth* Smart stack functionalities over the host controller interface (HCI) commands.

The application runs on the CC3200 and contains the following modules:

- L2NMP_COMMON (generic interface with upper layer agent and CLI, L2NMP authentication and database)
- L2NMP_PSS (BLE) (central and BLE database)
- TCP / IP stack (network processor)
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- IoT stack (MQTT client stack—IBM®)
- Host HCI layer
- Utilities such as CLI and JSON parser
- OTA and serial boot loader (SBL) module



3.2 Working Principle

The software is a multitask architecture. The initialization sequence shown in Figure 6 spawns the tasks and executes various module-initialization functions.



Figure 6. Initialization Sequence on CC3200 MCU

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When configured, the gateway acts as a data pipe between the *Bluetooth* Smart devices and the monitoring entity (on Wi-Fi). No special configuration or code change is needed on the *Bluetooth* Smart device to remote it to the gateway. Figure 7 shows the data flow.



Figure 7. Data Flow

The gateway setup comprises of WLAN connection and *Bluetooth* Smart device connection. When the setup is complete, you can monitor the characteristics of the device over MQTT or CLI. With the software architecture, users can easily remove a particular entity from the binary (to reduce the size).

OTA download functionality is also present in the gateway. OTA can update the binary and also the Gateway Enabler binary.

4 Getting Started Hardware

The primary feature of the gateway is to make the characteristics of a connected *Bluetooth* Smart device available on the cloud (IoT using MQTT).

Starting the gateway hardware is an easy process. To power on the gateway, connect it to a PC or a wallmount USB adapter through the USB cable provided in the package. Connecting the gateway to a PC provides access to the command line interface on a terminal (TeraTerm or HyperTerminal®), which aids in controlling or monitoring the gateway. When connected, press the RESET button to start the gateway.



Figure 8 shows the details of the board.



Figure 8. Board Details

4.1 Push Buttons and LEDs

REFERENCE	USAGE	COMMENTS
RST	Reset	This button is used to reset the gateway
DNLD	UartLoad	This button, when pressed along with RST, puts the CC3200 in UARTLOAD mode. This mode updates the firmware
BTN-1	Scan	This button is used to trigger the scan for Bluetooth Smart devices
BTN-2	Over The Air (OTA) trigger	This button triggers the OTA download of binaries

Table 2. Button Description

Table 3. LED Description

REFERENCE	INDICATION	COMMENTS
	OFF	Bluetooth Smart stack is UP
LED-1	ON	Bluetooth Smart stack Initialization in progress
(Bidelooin Smart status indicator)	SLOW BLINK (1 per sec)	Scanning in progress
	FAST BLINK (2 per sec)	System Fatal ERROR
	OFF	AP connection success
LED-2	ON	AP connection failure
(Wi-Fi status indicator)	SLOW BLINK (1 per sec)	SmartConfig in progress
	FAST BLINK (2 per sec)	System Fatal ERROR

4.2 Prerequisites

- 1. Bluetooth Smart to Wi-Fi IoT gateway hardware
- 2. Micro-USB cable
- 3. Access point with internet uplink available. The gateway must be connected to this access point.
- 4. Laptop or PC (Connected to the Internet for MQTT [Internet])
- 5. SensorTag (at least one) with default pre-programmed software
 - CC26XX SensorTag

4.3 Setup

Figure 9 shows a diagram of the setup.



Figure 9. Setup Diagram



Getting Started Firmware

4.3.1 Laptop and PC Installations

- Download and install UniFlash (to flash CC3200 binaries and service pack) from the link here: http://www.ti.com/tool/uniflash
- Download and install TeraTerm: http://download.cnet.com/Tera-Term/3000-20432_4-75766675.html
- Download and install the latest Silabs[™] virtual COM port driver for the CP2104 USB bridge IC (based on the OS) from the link here: http://www.silabs.com/products/mcu/Pages/USBtoUARTBridgeVCPDrivers.aspx.
 - The gateway COM ports appear in the device manager of the PC as Silicon Labs Standard COM CP210x USB to UART Bridge: Enhanced COM Port
- Download and install the latest CC3200 SDK and service packs from the link here: http://www.ti.com/tool/cc3200sdk

4.3.2 Access Point (AP) Configuration

Configure the access point in Open or WPA mode. If the AP is configured in WPA mode, write down the security key.

4.3.3 Steps

A typical usage of the gateway contains following steps:

- 1. Install the mentioned software on the laptop or PC
- 2. Connect the gateway to the laptop or PC using the USB cable
- 3. Configure the access point either in Open or WPA mode
- 4. Reset/Power on the gateway by pressing the Reset button
- 5. Connect the gateway to a Wi-Fi access point
- 6. Connect the gateway to SensorTag (using CLI or MQTT)
- 7. View, read, and write the capabilities of the SensorTag (using CLI or MQTT)

5 Getting Started Firmware

Download and install the binary package from TIDC-BLE-TO-WIFI-IOT-GATEWAY.

5.1 Flashing the Binaries

The binary package contains these files:

- blefi.bin—The *Bluetooth* Smart to Wi-Fi IoT Gateway application that runs on CC320
- CC26xx.bin (gateway-enabler)—This application runs on CC2650.
- CC2650 SensorTag.sch [Schema files]
- Blefi.usf file (UniFlash Configuration file)

Follow these steps when using gateway for the first time.

- 1. Format the BleFi SFLASH
- 2. Download the Network Processor Service Pack
- 3. Download the binaries (open BleFi.usf and click program)

The TI UniFlash tool is used to format and download the gateway SFLASH. Refer to the UniFlash for more details.

5.1.1 SFLASH Formatting

Follow these steps:

- 1. Connect the gateway to laptop or PC equipped with UniFlash.
- 2. Change the COM PORT to the desired port number.
- 3. Press Format on the UniFlash tool.
- 4. Keep the DNLD button pressed and toggle the RST button on the gateway.
- 5. The previous procedure triggers the bootloader mode in CC3200, and the format should start.
- 6. The Successful Format message should appear on UniFlash.

5.1.2 Service Pack Download

The servicepack_1.0.0.1.2 service pack is provided through CC31xx_CC32xx_ServicePack-1.0.0.1.2windows-installer.exe downloadable from http://www.ti.com/tool/cc3200sdk or http://www.ti.com/tool/cc3100sdk.

- 1. Download and install the service pack version servicepack_1.0.0.1.2.bin on a laptop or PC.
- 2. Connect the gateway to a laptop or a PC where UniFlash is installed.
- 3. Change the COM PORT to the desired port number.
- 4. Press Service Pack Programming on UniFlash tool.
- 5. Point to the path of the service pack binary in your computer.
- 6. Gateway—Keep DNLD button pressed and toggle the RST button.
- 7. The above procedure triggers the bootloader mode in CC3200, and the service pack programming should start.
- 8. The Successful message should appear on UniFlash.

5.1.3 Binary Download

- 1. Connect the gateway to a laptop or PC where UniFlash is installed.
- 2. Go to the folder where the binary package is present.
- 3. Double click on the blefi.usf file—This opens UniFlash.
- 4. Change the COM PORT to Desired Port Number
- 5. Press Program on UniFlash Tool.
- 6. Gateway—Keep DNLD button pressed and toggle the RST button.
- 7. The previous procedure triggers the bootloader mode in CC3200 and the download should start.
- 8. The Successful Download message should appear on UniFlash.

5.2 Building Source Code

This section describes the steps involved in building the blefi.bin, which executes on the CC3200 and the cc26xx.bin, which then executes on the CC2650.

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5.2.1 Source Build (for CC3200 MCU)

- 1. Install Code Composer Studio IDE from the link here.
- 2. Install the gateway installer.
- 3. By default, the package installs to the c:\ti folder.
- 4. Open Code Composer Studio and the following projects from the BleFi package.
 - l2nmp
 - l2nmp_ble
 - cli
 - ugateway
 - mqtt_app
 - npi
 - oslib
 - schema
 - ti_rtos_config
 - json
 - mqtt
 - ota
 - simplelink
- 5. Build clean all projects in sequence.
- 6. Upon successful build, find the ugateway.bin in the blefi/ccs_ugw/Release folder.

5.2.2 CC26xx Source Build (gw_enabler) Using CCS

- 1. Download BLE SDKv2.1 from http://www.ti.com/ble-stack.
- 2. Install CCS as in section 2.5.3 of CC2640 Bluetooth low energy Software Developer's Guide (SWRU393).
- Change the Radio settings in bleUserConfig.h in C:\ti\simplelink\ble_cc26xx_2_01_00_44423\Projects\ble\ICall\Include\bleUserConfig.h. #elif defined(CC2650EM_5XD) || defined(CC2650EM_4XD) #define RF_FE_MODE_AND_BIAS (RF_FE_DIFFERENTIAL | RF_FE_INT_BIAS) #elif defined(CC2650EM_4XS)
- Change RAM boundary address in Linker Configuration file in C:\ti\simplelink\ble_cc26xx_2_01_00_44423\Projects\ble\HostTest\CC26xx\CCS\Config\CCSLinkerDefi nes.cmd --define=ICALL_RAM0_ADDR=0.
- 5. Open CCS and import the HostTestApp project (both HostTest and HostTestStack) as described in CC2640 Bluetooth low energy Software Developer's Guide (SWRU393.
- 6. Check the Copy Project files to workspace option.
- 7. In CCS, open the Project Properties for the Application.
- Change the board type in the last line of the Include Options under the CCS Build at workspace_v6_1\HostTest\FlashROM "\${TI_RTOS_DRIVERS_BASE}/ti/boards/SRF06EB/CC2650EM_5XD.
- 9. Select Projects \rightarrow Build All options to build both the projects.
- 10. Find the HostTest.hex file under \$CCS_WORKSPACE\$\workspace_v6_1\HostTest\FlashROM.
- Find the HostTestStack.hex under \$CCS_WORKSPACE\$\workspace_v6_1\HostTestStack\FlashROM.
- 12. See Section 5.2.4 to merge the hex files and to convert them into cc26xx.bin.

5.2.3 CC26xx Source Build (gw-enabler) Using IAR

- 1. Install the IAR IDE from the link.
- 2. Install the latest CC26xx SDK from the link.
- 3. Open the HostTest project from the IAR IDE.
- 4. Choose CC2650 application.
- 5. Right-click on the project name \rightarrow options \rightarrow C/C++ Compiler.
- 6. Select Preprocessor tab.
- 7. Make the following changes.
- 8. In the Additional include directories section, make the following changes:
 - 1. Remove \$TI_RTOS_DRIVERS_BASE\$\ti\boards\SRF06EB\CC2650EM_7ID
 - 2. Add \$TI_RTOS_DRIVERS_BASE\$\ti\boards\SRF06EB\CC2650EM_5XD
- 9. In *Defined Symbols* section, make the following changes.
- 10. Add the preprocessor CC2650EM_5XD .
- 11. Make changes to the *bleUserConfig.h*, found in the location of the installed SDK. The file can be found at C:\ti\simplelink\ble_cc26xx_2_XX_XX\Projects\ble\ICall\Include
- In ble_cc26xx_2_XX_XX\Projects\ble\ICall\Include\bleUserConfig.h Change #define RF_FE_MODE_AND_BIAS (RF_FE_DIFFERENTIAL | RF_FE_EXT_BIAS) To

#define RF_FE_MODE_AND_BIAS (RF_FE_DIFFERENTIAL | RF_FE_INT_BIAS)

- 13. Compile the *Host Test App* project (both application and stack). (Two hex files are generated for application and stack.)
- 14. Refer Section 5.2.4 to merge the hex files and convert them into cc26xx.bin.

5.2.4 Merging the Hex Files to CC26xx.bin

To create the binary file in the following procedure, a USB cable, SmartRF06 board, and a CC2650EM board are required.

- 1. Connect the SmartRF06+CC2650EM board to a PC where Flash Programmer 2 is installed using the USB cable.
- 2. Open Flash Programmer 2.
- 3. Connect to the SmartRF06+CC2650EM board.
- 4. Perform Mass erase.
- 5. Program Stack hex image.
- 6. Program App hex image.
- 7. Navigate to Edit tab of the Flash Programmer.
- 8. Read the entire flash contents.
- 9. Navigate to 0x1ffd8
- 10. Change the contents of 0x1ffd8, 0x1ffd9, 0x1ffda, and 0x1ffdb to c5, 03, fe, and c5, respectively (for the Serial Bootloader).
- 11. Click the Write.
- 12. Click Save to File.
- 13. Save as cc6xx.bin.



5.3 WLAN Connection

The gateway must be connected to a Wi-Fi access point (AP), which has cloud connectivity, to realize the IoT functionality.

CC3200 maintains Wi-Fi profiles, which helps in automatic connections to an AP during the boot up. The user should not need to make an AP connection in every power cycle. Figure 10 shows the WLAN connection process during initialization.



Figure 10. WLAN Connection Process During Initialization



The AP connection may not be successful during the bootup due to one of these reasons:

- No WLAN profile present
- · AP not switched on before the gatewayis reset
- The Smartconfig application was not available or was not successful

Post initialization, use the CLI command (wlan_connect; refer to Section 6.1) to connect to the AP. Ensure the AP is on while using this command. Upon successful connection, this configuration is stored as a WLAN profile. During subsequent power-cycles, this profile is checked if an auto connection is possible.

5.4 Bluetooth Smart Device Connection

A *Bluetooth* Smart device can be connected to the gateway using various UI commands (Refer to Section 6). When connected, the device is paired with the gateway, and the subsequent power cycle of the gateway does not need a UI command to be entered for connection.

5.4.1 Schema File

Typically, the characteristic in a *Bluetooth* Smart device is addressed using a handle. The handle is a numeric value and is not user friendly. The schema file mechanism in gateway maps the numeric handle to a human-readable string. This string can be used while monitoring the respective characteristic or while changing the value of the characteristic.

For example, to access the temperature data of the connected Bluetooth Smart Device,

G:>get 0 /Temp/Data is used instead of G:>get 0 15 Where 15 is the handle value.

NOTE: If schema file is not present, then default strings will be mapped (Example: char1).

To avail this facility, the user must create and download a schema file to the gateway. The schema file format is a human-readable JSON format and can be generated using any JSON editor. The SensorTag schema files in the package are created using https://www.jsoneditoronline.org/.

The name of the schema file is same as the device name that it publishes while advertising. An extension .sch must be added before downloading. Example: SensorTag.sch

Example. Sensor rag.sch



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5.4.1.1 Schema File Format

```
{
  "Service_1 UUID": [
   ł
   "Service_1.Characteristic_1 UUID": " Service_1.Characteristic_1 Name"
   },
   {
   "Service_1.Characteristic_2 UUID": " Service_1.Characteristic_2 Name"
   },
         ....
         ....
         ....
  ],
  "Service_2 UUID": [
   {
   "Service_2.Characteristic_1 UUID": " Service_2.Characteristic_1 Name"
   },
   {
   "Service_2.Characteristic_2 UUID": " Service_2.Characteristic_2 Name"
   },
         ....
         ....
         ....
  ],
         ....
         ....
         ....
}
```

6 Gateway Usage

This section assumes that the binaries are flashed in the gateway and the WLAN connection is also successful. For more information on the setup, refer to Section 4.3.

Typical gateway usage contains

- WLAN connection
- Connection to a *Bluetooth* Smart device
- Data monitoring over MQTT/CLI
- The gateway can be controlled or monitored using the UIs (User Interfaces)
- CLI over UART
- MQTT from a remote client



Table 4 summarizes the various control and monitoring capabilities of the UIs.

ACTION	CLI	MQTT
WLAN Connect	\checkmark	X
WLAN Disconnect	\checkmark	X
Bluetooth Smart Device Scan	\checkmark	X (autoscan)
List Bluetooth Smart Devices	\checkmark	\checkmark
Bluetooth Device Connect	\checkmark	X (autoconnect)
Bluetooth Device Disconnect	\checkmark	\checkmark
List Bluetooth Device Characteristics	\checkmark	X
Read <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart Device Characteristics	\checkmark	\checkmark
Write to <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart Device Characteristics	1	\checkmark
Reset MCU	\checkmark	X
OTA Configuration	\checkmark	X
Reset MQTT Client	\checkmark	X
Configure Max Devices	\checkmark	X
Configure Gateway in Proxy or Catche (HL Confirmation)	\checkmark	X
Configure Attachment Mode (ALL, Enabled, Authorized)	\checkmark	X
Manage the List of Authorized Devices (Manage db)	1	X
Retrieve Wi-Fi Mac of Gateway	\checkmark	X

Table 4. Gateway UI Capabillities

6.1 CLI

The gateway can be controlled or monitored using the CLI over UART. To start CLI, open any terminal application on the laptop or PC that is connected to the gateway. Figure 11 shows the serial port setup for CLI.

Terminal Setup:

- 1. In your terminal application, open the serial port Silicon Labs CP210x USB to UART bridge [COM100].
- 2. Setup the serial port with baud rate 115200 as shown in Figure 11.

Port:	COM100 -	ОК
Baud rate:	115200 👻	
Data:	8 bit 🔹	Cancel
Parity:	none 🔹	
Stop:	1 bit 🔹	Help
Flow control:	none 🔻	
Transmit dela	у	
0 mse	c/char 0	msec/line

Figure 11. Serial Port Setup for CLI



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The following sections describe the commands available in CLI.

6.1.1 HELP Command

help

	help	
Parameters	None	
Description	help is used to display the CLI commands supported and their descriptions.	
Examples	• help	
6.1.2 LIST Cor	nmand	
list 0		
	list 0	
Parameters	None	
Description	list 0 lists attached and authorized devices.	
Example	list 0	
list 1	list 1	
Parameter	None	
Description	list 1 lists connected devices pending confirmation and authorization.	
Examples	list 1	

6.1.3 LINKT Command

linkt	linkt [device connection id]
Parameters	[device connection id] is the connection id of the connected <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart device from which to be disconnected. Use the list command to find the connection id of the device.
Desciption	linkt is used to disconnect from one of the connected Bluetooth Smart devices
Examples	linkt 0



6.1.4 LISTCHAR Command

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listchar

	listchar [device connection id]
Parameters	[device connection id] is the connection id of the connected <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart device to list the characteristics. Use the command to find the connection list id of the device.
Description	listchar is used to list the characteristics of one of the connected <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart devices.
Examples	listchar 0

6.1.5 GET Command

getget [device connection id] [Charstring]Parameters[device connection id] is the connection id of the connected Bluetooth Smart device. Use
the list command to find the connection id of the device.
[Charstring] is the name of the characteristic to get.Descriptionget is used to read the value of the characteristic of one of the connected Bluetooth
Smart devices.Examplesget 0 /Acc/Data
get 0 char18

6.1.6 SET Command

set		
	set [device connection id] [Charstring] [length of value in bytes] [value]	
Parameters	[device connection id] is the connection id of the connected <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart device. Use the list command to find the connection id of the device.	
	[Charstring] is the name of the characteristic to be set.	
	[length of value in bytes] is the length of the value to be written in bytes.	
	[value] is the value of the characteristic to be written.	
Description	set is used to write to the value of the characteristic of one of the connected <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart devices.	
Examples	set 0 /Acc/Cfg 1 1	
	set 0 char18 1 1	



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6.1.7 WLAN_CONNECT Command

wlan_connect	wlan_connect [ssid] {key}	
Description	 wlan_connect is used to connect to an AP. When successfully connected, a WLAN profile is added. The gateway can be connected to the following kinds of AP. Open WPA 	
	The Open AP connection does not require the key parameter. If the key parameter is present, a WPA connection is tried.	
Parameters	ssid is the string value. The ssid of the AP of the connection must be tried. key is the security password for AP connection (only for WPA).	
Examples	wlan_connect open_ap_1 wlan_connect wpa_ap password123	

6.1.8 WLAN_DISCONNECT Command

wlan_disconnect

	wlan_disconnect	
Description	wlan_disconnect is used to disconnect the WLAN connection to AP.	
Parameters	None	
Examples		
	wlan_disconnect	

6.1.9 RESET Command

reset	
	reset
Parameters	None
Description	reset is used to reset the gateway.
Examples	
	• reset



6.1.10 OTA Configuration Command

addotameta

	addotameta [metadatastring]				
Parameters	metadatastring – meta data string of the associated Dropbox™ account where the gateway OTA files are stored.				
Description	addotameta is used to configure the Dropbox meta data string information used for OTA in gateway.				
Examples	addotameta HNFGT_m- 65YJJJADDGGGBs7y8FWDvgBAbnVFzVUdhDxhVJHu7ung9dSFsc_dHO45				

6.1.11 Bluetooth Smart Update Command

bleupdate

	bleupdate
Parameters	None
Description	This command is used to update the CC26xx firmware. The update takes effect after a reboot of gateway hardware.
Examples	bleupdate

6.1.12 MQTT Gateway Mode Command

mqttgwmode

	mqttgwmode mode <optional fields=""></optional>			
Parameters	[mode] – 1 for quickstart mode or 2 for registration mode			
Description	This command is used to reset the MQTT mode in quickstart or registration mode.			
Examples	mqttgwmode 1 mqttgwmode 2 <org_id> <registration token=""></registration></org_id>			

6.1.13 Load Default Command

loaddefault

	loaddefault
Parameters	None
Description	This command is used to put the gateway board in default mode.
Examples	
	loaddefault



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6.1.14 Trigger OTA Command

triggerota

	triggerota
Parameters	None
Description	This command is used to start the OTA process of the gateway.
Examples	
	triggerota

6.2 MQTT—Enabling IoT

MQTT protocol is a lightweight machine-to-machine connectivity protocol. MQTT protocol is based on the publish-and-subscribe messaging model and is designed to be used on top of TCP / IP protocol.

The key point of this protocol includes small code footprint and low network bandwidth requirements. Other features include a faster response time, low power requirement, and ease of scalability. All these advantages make it an ideal candidate for communication protocol in embedded devices intended to implement IoT (internet of things) applications. More information regarding MQTT protocol can be obtained from the latest MQTT protocol specification.

A simple MQTT infrastructure contains a broker (like a central hub) connected to multiple clients, each of which has the capability of publishing on any topic (token). The broker sends the message published on any topic to all the subscribers of that topic, as shown in Figure 12.



Figure 12. MQTT Connection

More detailed info on MQTT can be found in the following links:

- http://mqtt.org/faq
- http://processors.wiki.ti.com/index.php/CC32xx_MQTT_Client



6.2.1 Connection

The gateway must be connected to an AP (with Internet connection) for MQTT to work. Refer to Section 5.3 for more details.

The gateway connects to the IBM MQTT server during initialization.

6.2.2 MQTT Clients

The gateway supports one MQTT client that can support up to 8 devices. This client can operate in either IBM Quickstart mode or Registered mode with the corresponding IBM servers.

6.2.3 MQTT Gateway Client

Quickstart mode is enabled when CC2650 SensorTags connect to the gateway clients are created.

This mode provides an intuitive feel of the entire platform, with richness of live sensor data of CC26xx SensorTags connected to the gateway, being streamed and displayed on the cloud from a remote location.

Procedure:

- 1. Connect the CC2650 SensorTags using CLI or MQTT (Gateway client—see).
- 2. Open the URL http://quickstart.internetofthings.ibmcloud.com.
- 3. Type the BD address of the CC26xx SensorTag as the device ID, which is scanned and displayed on the CLI.
- 4. Click the Go button.

Quickstart No sign-up required to see how easy i Device 1D eg. 580b0c07ac01	t is to connect your device to IoT Foundation and view live sensor data
Get your device (or simulate one) Follow a recipe to get it connected	Got a physical device? We have a partner program for IoT along with a set of verified instructions, or 'recipes', for connecting devices, sensors, and gateways.
View live data from your device	Don't have a device? You don't need to have a physical device to see Quickstart in action. Try it out by using our simulator.

Figure 13. MQTT Device Quickstart



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5. When connected, the device displays its status as Connected with the time (see Figure 14).

Figure 14. Device Connected

6. The device also displays live sensor data of the connected CC26xx SensorTag.



6.2.4 MQTT—Remote Access of the Gateway

MQTT works on a subscription-publish mechanism. The gateway, as an MQTT client subscribes to numerous topics. These subscribed topics act as a command to the gateway. A remote client may publish one of these topics with proper parameters as a command to the gateway. As a response to the command, the gateway publishes some topics. To receive the response, the remote client must have subscribed to these topics. Figure 15 depicts the working of MQTT on the gateway.



Figure 15. MQTT Sequence Diagram

The gateway maintains two different contexts while connecting to the MQTT server. From external client point of view, there is no difference while accessing the topics related to either of the contexts.

• Gateway Context (1 number)—This context is the default context and is created during initialization. gateway context contains the topics that are related to gateway and a *Bluetooth* Smart device.



6.3 Bluetooth Smart Dashboard

- 1. The HTML pages are part of the installer. These pages should be downloaded onto SFLASH of the gateway.
- 2. Run the gateway application. When connected to the AP, the acquired IP is displayed in the CLI as shown in Figure 16.



Figure 16. IP Address Displayed on CLI

- 3. Open the browser and type <ipaddr>/ble_dashboard.html
 - For example, type 192.168.1.100/ble_dashboard.html in browser URL field
 - Browser shows the *Bluetooth* Smart dashboard page

The *Bluetooth* Smart dashboard page contains two tabs:

- Connection—Users can scan all the advertising *Bluetooth* Smart devices in the gateway vicinity using this tab. This tab contains controls to establish and terminate link to a *Bluetooth* Smart device
- Data—This tab is used to show all the characteristics of a connected *Bluetooth* Smart device. Based on the permissions, the characteristic value can be read from or written to, using this tab



6.4 Bluetooth Smart Connection Page Figure 17 shows Bluetooth Smart Dashboard Page. 192.168.1.148/ble dashboard.html SimpleLink™ Wi-Fi® Family **Current Status: Offline** Welcome Overview About Setup BLE Developer's Portal Demos Connection Data **BLE Settings** Start scanning for devices Scan Scanned devices Scan ID Dev name BD addr Addr type 0xB4994C64C9B5 0 01 SensorTag Establish Link Connected devices Refresh Conn ID Dev name BD addr Addr type SensorTag 0xBC6A29C35FE9 0 0 Terminate link

Figure 17. Bluetooth Smart Dashboard Page

6.4.1 Scanning a Bluetooth Smart Device

- 1. Select the Connection tab.
- 2. Press the Scan button to start scanning for available Bluetooth Smart devices.
- 3. Wait for 5 seconds for the command to be completed.
- 4. Press the Refresh button to show the list of scanned devices.

6.4.2 Establishing Link with a Bluetooth Smart Device

- 1. Among the list of scanned devices, Select the Radio Button of the desired Bluetooth Smart device.
- 2. Press the Establish Link button.
- 3. Wait for 5 seconds for the command to be completed.
- 4. Press the Refresh button to show the list of connected devices.



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6.4.3 Terminating Link from a Bluetooth Smart Device

- 1. Among the list of connected devices, Select the Radio Button of the desired Bluetooth Smart device.
- 2. Press the *Terminate Link* button.
- 3. Wait for 2 seconds for the command to be completed.
- 4. Press the Refresh button to show the updated list of connected devices.

6.5 Bluetooth Smart Data Page

← → C'	192.168.1.148	3/ble_dashboa	rd.html	
SimpleLink	™ Wi-Fi® Family			
Current Sta	tus: Offline			
Welcome	Overview About	Setup BLE	Developer's Portal	Demos
Connectio	on Data			
Connected	d devices			Refresh
Conn ID	Dev name	BD addr		Addr type
0	SensorTag	0xBC6A29	9C35FE9	0
Display cha	aracteristics			
Device cha	aracteristics			Refresh
0	[GET]		/Genacc/App	
01	[GET]		/Genacc/Ppf	
© 2	[GET]		/Genacc/Reconaddr	
⊙з	[GET/SET]		/Genacc/Ppcp	
O 4	[GET]		/Genatt/Servchng	
0 5	[NO GET/SET]		/Devinfo/Sysid	
0 6	[GET]		/Devinfo/Modno	
Select a	device characteris	stic and choose	e get/set	
● Get V	alue of the characteris	tic = 0×00:0×00:0×0	00:0×00	
O Set 1		SUCCES	S	
Enter				

Figure 18. Bluetooth Smart Data Page

6.6 Display Characteristics of a Connected Bluetooth Smart Device

- 1. Select the Data tab.
- 2. Select the radio button of the desired *Bluetooth* Smart device from the Connected Devices table.
- 3. Press the Display Characteristics button to show the characteristics of the selected *Bluetooth* Smart device.

6.7 Read or Write Characteristic Value

- 1. In the Device Characteristics table, select the radio button of the characteristic to be read or written.
- 2. To read a characteristic, select the Get radio button and press the Enter button.
- 3. The characteristic value read will be displayed adjacent to the Get button.
- 4. To write to a characteristic value, select the Set radio button, enter the value to be written in the text box adjacent to the Set button, and press the Enter button.
- 5. If the write is completed successfully, the SUCCESS message is shown.

6.8 OTA

The OTA update is the wireless delivery of new software updates and/or configurations to embedded devices and with the concept of Wireless Sensor Network and Internet of Things, OTA is an efficient way of distributing firmware updates or upgrades.

The application binary (ugateway.bin) and the gateway enabler binary (cc26xx.bin) files can be updated OTA. This feature requires the user to create a Dropbox account and load the files in the account.

6.8.1 Creating a Dropbox API Application

- 1. Create an account with Dropbox and log in.
- 2. Go to https://www.dropbox.com/developers/apps/create
- 3. Choose Dropbox API app.
- 4. Choose Files and Datastores and Yes, my app only needs access to files it creates.
- 5. Provide a name for the application
- 6. Click the *Create APP* button.
- 7. Scroll down to Generated access token on the Apps setting page.
- 8. Click generate.
- 9. Copy and save the generated token (this token must be stored in the gatewayusing the *otaconfig* command in CLI).
- 10. Go to https://www.dropbox.com/home/Apps.
- 11. Click on the application name.
- 12. Create a new folder and name it in the following format: TI_BleFi_v<version number> (for example: TI_BleFi_v01). The version name is found on the CLI banner (see Figure 19).

BleFi -	BLE-WiFi	gateway	(Texas	Instruments)
Version	: 1			

Figure 19. CLI Banner Showing Version Number

- 13. Rename blefi.bin as f80_sys_mcuimgA.bin.
- 14. Rename *ble_gateway_enabler.bin* as *f80_cc26xx.bin*.
- 15. Copy these files to the new folder in the Dropbox account.
- 16. Power on the gateway.
- 17. Connect to an AP (with internet access) after initialization (*Waiting for OTA Trigger* on the CONSOLE indicates that the OTA can be performed. .

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- 19. Press the BTN-1 to start the OTA process.
- 20. When the OTA download is completed, the gateway restarts.

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Test Data

7 Test Data

This section describes the tests performed on the gateway.

7.1 CLI Snapshot

Figure 20 shows a snapshot of CLI.

Figure 20. CLI Snapshot



7.2 Module Test Matrix

SL NUMBER	TESTS	RESULT	COMMENTS
1	Endurance Test	PASS	48 hours, 8 sensor tags connected. MQTT is enabled in both quickstart mode with no TLS security and registered mode
2			Gateway Quickstart and registered mode
3	CLI	PASS	All commands
4	Gateway	PASS	Data bridging between WLAN and Bluetooth Smart
5	Bluetooth Smart Central	PASS	GAP and GATT commands
6	Wi-Fi Configuration	PASS	Connecting and disconnecting from AP
7	Bluetooth Smart Connections	PASS	Up to three 2650 sensor tags.
8	OTA Update	PASS	Update Gateway Binary and CC26xx Binary
9	OS Functionality	PASS	TI-RTOS

Table 5. Module Test Matrix

Design Files

To download the schematics, see the design files at TIDC-BLE-TO-WIFI-IOT-GATEWAY.

8.2 Bill of Materials

To download the bill of materials (BOM), see the design files at TIDC-BLE-TO-WIFI-IOT-GATEWAY.

8.3 Layer Plots

To download the layer plots, see the design files at TIDC-BLE-TO-WIFI-IOT-GATEWAY.

8.4 Altium Project

To download the Altium project files, see the design files at TIDC-BLE-TO-WIFI-IOT-GATEWAY.

8.5 Layout Guidelines

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8.6 Gerber Files

To download the Gerber files, see the design files at TIDC-BLE-TO-WIFI-IOT-GATEWAY.

8.7 Assembly Drawings

To download the assembly drawings, see the design files at TIDC-BLE-TO-WIFI-IOT-GATEWAY.

8.8 Software Files

To download the software files, see the design files at TIDC-BLE-TO-WIFI-IOT-GATEWAY.

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Changes from B Revision (January 2016) to C Revision

•	Removed "HTTP server and pages" and "Gateway module (central and database)" and replaced with "L2NMP_COMMON (generic interface with upper layer agent and CLI, L2NMP authentication and database)" and "L2NMP_PSS (BLE) (central and BLE database)" from module list
•	Removed HTTP references throughout document
•	Removed "The gateway can be controlled over a local LAN using HTTP pages." following "The primary feature of the gateway is to make the characteristics of a connected <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart device available on the cloud (IoT using MQTT)."
•	Changed "gateway" to "ugateway" throughout document
•	Removed "blefi" and "schema" from step 4 of Source Build, changed gateway to "ugateway", added "l2nmp" and "l2nmp_ble"
•	Removed projects from step 5 and changed to "Build clean all the previously mentioned projects."
•	Changed "blefi.bin" to "ugateway.bin"
•	Removed note that said "Only Just Works bonding is supported, and no Passkey support is present while connecting to <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart devices." and "The CLI commands to connect to a <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart device are scan and linke. Scan is used to scan the devices that are advertising in the vicinity of BleFi. Linke connects to a desired device. The parameter of the linke command is the <scan id="">." and "For example, G:>scanG:>linke 0"</scan>
•	Removed HTTP column from table 4. Removed "Remove Pairning Information" row. Added "Configure Max Devices", configure gw in proxy or catche (HL confirmation), configure attachment mode (all, enabled, authorized), manage the list of authorized devices (manage db), Retrieve Wi-Fi of GW"
•	Replaced "servername" with " <optional fields=""> after mqttwmode mode in synopsis description</optional>
•	Replaced "0 for demo mode" with "2 for registration mode" in after [mode] and removed "[servername] - url or ip address of the server" in Parameters
•	Changed "Demo" to "registration" after "reset the MQTT mode in quickstart or" and removed "In Demo mode, a server name needs to be specified." in Description. 23
•	Replaced "mqttgwmode 0 "192.84.45.44"" with "mqttgwmode 1, mqttmode 2 <org_id>, <registration_token>" in Examples</registration_token></org_id>
•	Removed "MQTT Device Mode Command" section
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•	Removed "These prints on the CONSOLE (CLI) confirm the connection." and "If these prints do not appear on CONSOLE, one of the following issues may have occurred: Gateway-AP connection is not successful, AP is not connected to internet, and IBM MQTT server is not responding" and note that said "The 5c313e032287 is the MAC address of the gateway. This address is just an example and will be different for different gateway devices." and an example image, after "The gateway connects to the IBM MQTT server during initialization."
•	Changed "two kinds of MQTT clients: a gateway client and device clients. The gateway client is created when the gateway powers up. By default, the gateway client is connected to an MQTT demo server of IBM. The device clients are created when a CC2650 SensorTag is connected to the gateway (over <i>Bluetooth</i> Smart). There can be a maximum of 3 CC2650 SensorTag device clients. By default, the CC2650 SensorTag device clients are connected to the QuickStart server of IBM." to "one MQTT client that can support up to 8 devices. This client can operate in either IBM Quickstart mode or Registered mode with the corresponding IBM servers."
•	Changed "MQTT Device Client" to "MQTT GW Client" and removed "and device" after "connect to the gateway" 25
•	Removed "Device Context (0 to 3 numbers)—A device context is created when a Bluetooth Smart device gets connected
	to the gateway. The maximum number of device contexts that can be created in the gateway is three." after Gateway Context (1 number) bullet point. 27
•	Removed 6.2.6 Command Topics (Available Only in Demo Mode) section, 6.2.7 Response Topics (Available Only in Demo Mode) and 6.3 HTTP section. 27

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