Which solution should you use to enable Long Range IoT?

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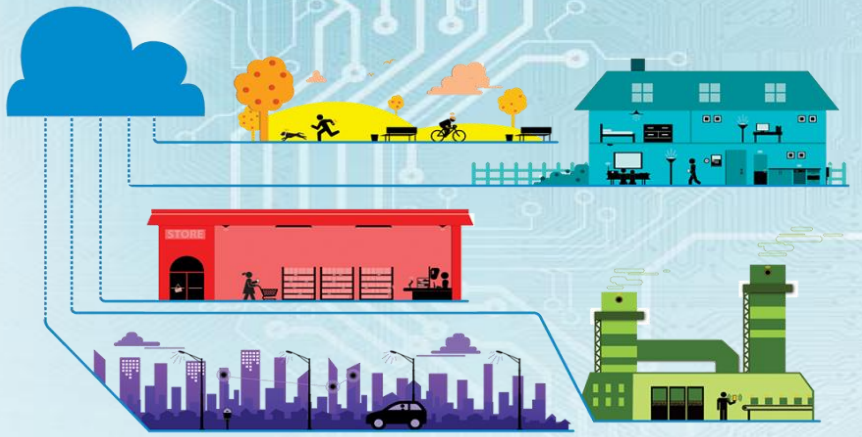

Sub-1GHz Customizable | RF4CE | Bluetooth SMART | 6LoWPAN | ZigBee | M-Bus wireless | SIGFOX One network A billion dreams | 802.15.4g | Wi Fi

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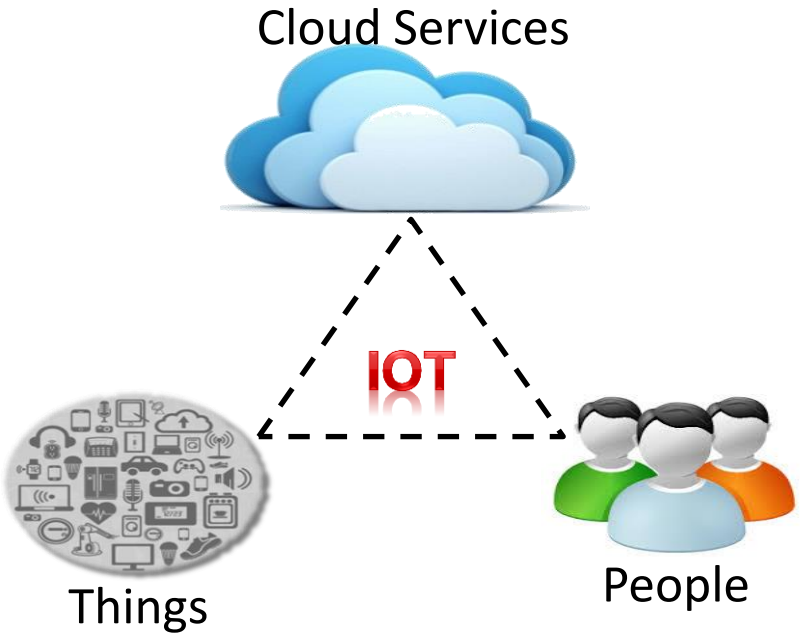
What is the IoT ?

Things, People and Cloud services get connected using the Internet



TI Wireless Connectivity Portfolio

Largest wireless selection

Support for all key technologies and standards for industrial, automotive and consumer

A solution for any application.
Future proof.
Leverage your investment

Wi-Fi, Bluetooth SMART READY, Bluetooth SMART, ZigBee, 6LoWPAN, Sub-1 GHz, NFC, RF4CE

Lowest power consumption

Use a coin cell or for multi-year, always-on operation or go battery-less with energy harvesting

Ultra-low power by design

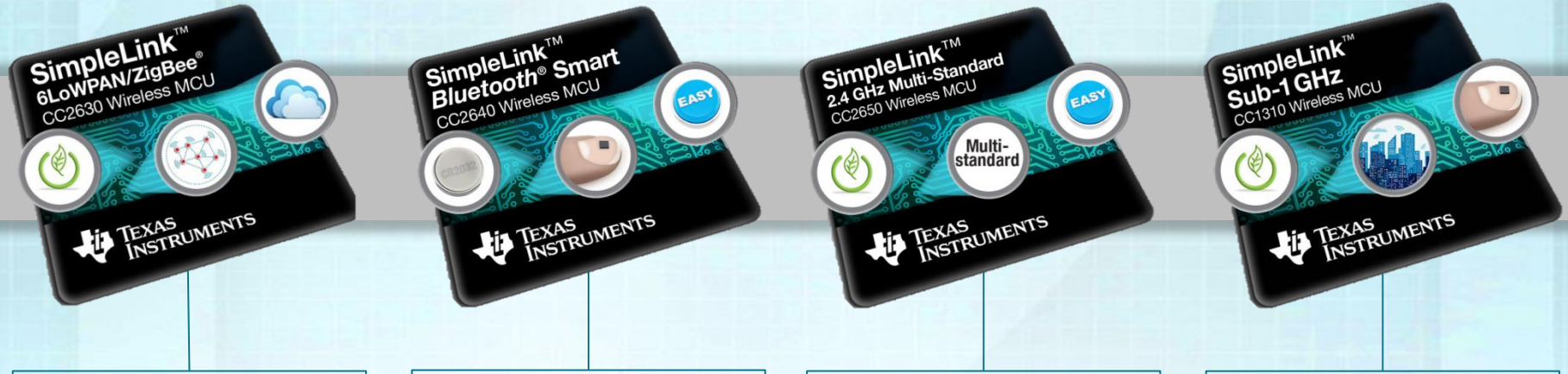
Easiest to design with

Quickest learning-curve and development time with full broad market ecosystem

Software, tools, E2E, certified TI modules, TI Designs, SensorTag, online trainings, Cloud

TIDesigns

SimpleLink™ Ultra-Low Power Platform



CC2630
6LoWPAN/ZigBee

Power a cloud-connected light switch for 10 years with a coin cell battery

CC2640
***Bluetooth*® Smart**

Easy multi-year support for IoT in a tiny package

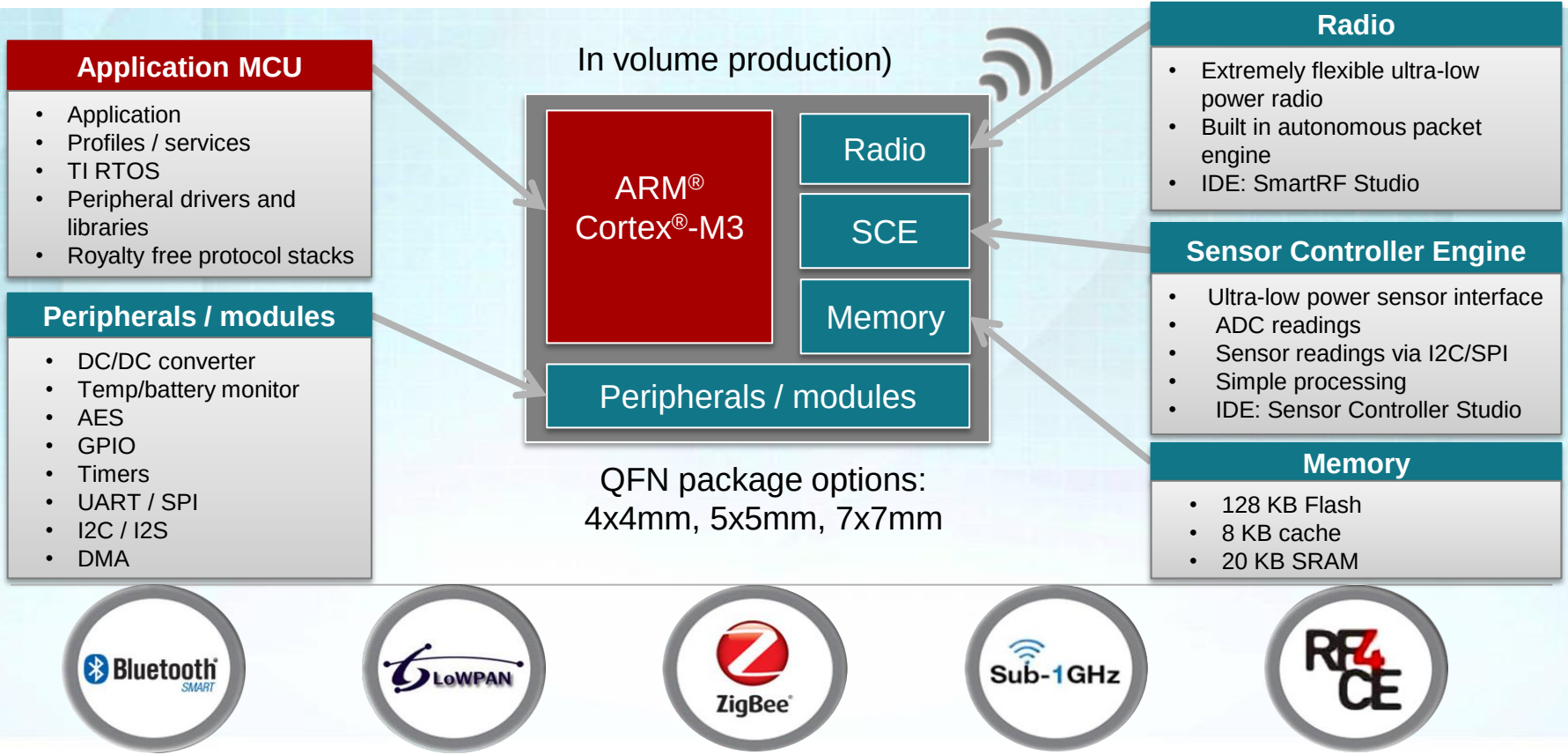
CC2650
Multi-protocol

Future-proof: Switch between multiple 2.4 GHz technologies with only one design

CC1310
Sub-1 GHz

Combining low-power with high RF performance in a tiny package for long-range connectivity

Ultra Low Power Wireless MCU's



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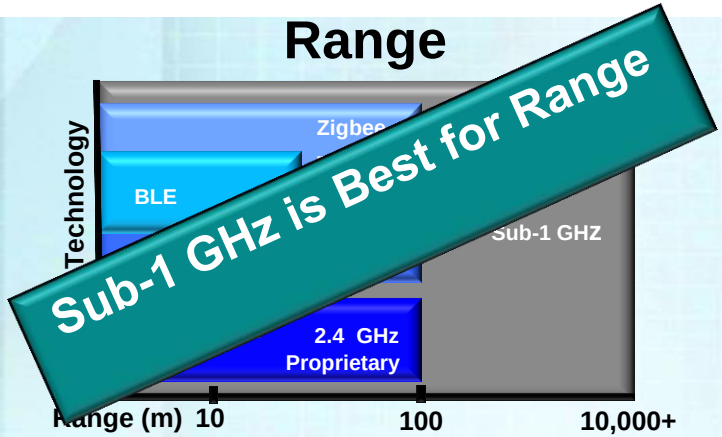
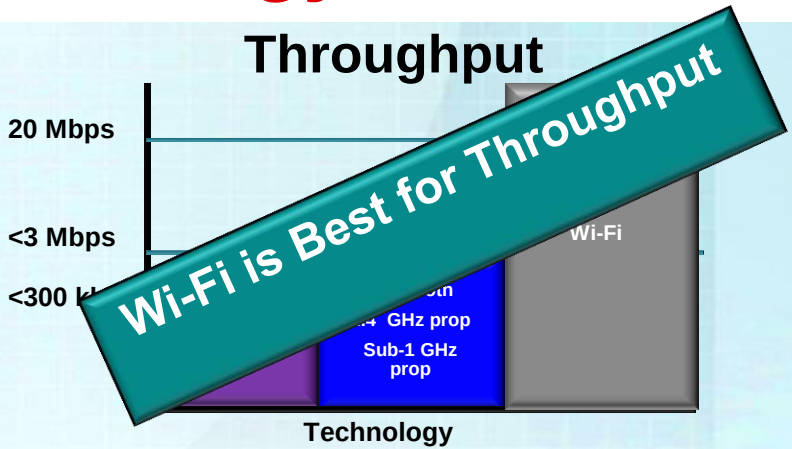
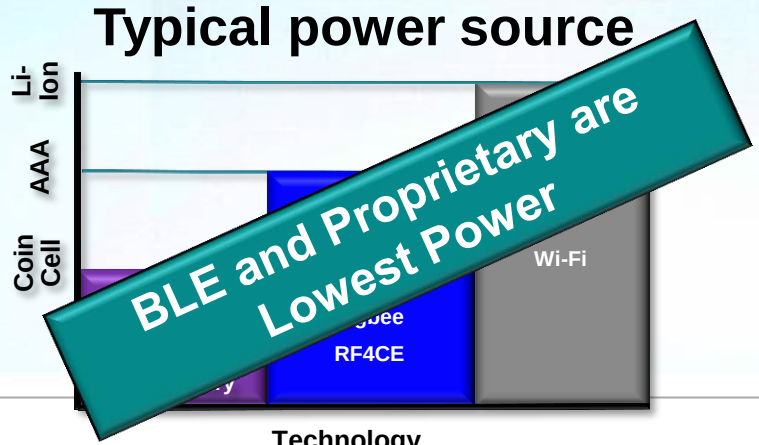






CC1310 Why was this part developed?

Improving the three key challenges for a *Sub-1 GHz Wireless MCU*

Lowest Power

- 5.5 mA Radio RX current
- 22.6 mA @ +14 dBm , 12.9 mA @ +10 dBm, Radio TX current
- 51 µA / MHz ARM Cortex M3
- 0.6 µA sleep current w/RTC + full memory retention

Up to 20 year battery life for sensor nodes and flow meters

Long Range

- High sensitivity
  - -110 dBm @ 50 kbps
  - -124 dBm @ 0.625 kbps
- Strong co-existence
  - Up to 90 dB blocking
- +14 dBm output power

Full building to city-wide RF coverage

Most Integrated

- Sensor Controller Engine (SCE)
- 4x4 QFN
- Integrated DCDC
- On-Chip Flash
- TI-RTOS + RF Driver

Complete 315 / 433 / 490 / 779 / 868 / 915 / 920 MHz wireless MCU in a finger-tip size

Sensor Controller Engine *(SCE)*

Ultra low power controller to offload the M3

Key features

- Handles sensor polling and performs simple processing
- Operates while the rest of the system is powered down

Examples of sensors that will greatly benefit from using the Sensor Controller:

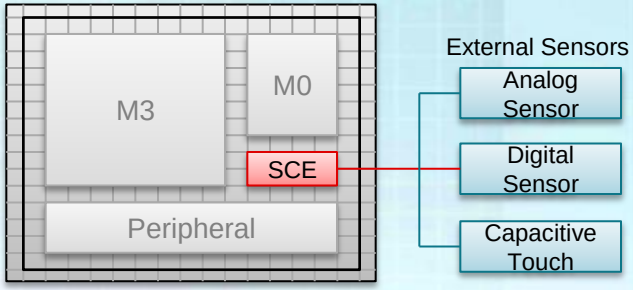
- PIR (motion detector)
- Capacitive touch keys
- Proximity sensors
- Accelerometers
- ADC measurements
- Pulse counting

- Use Sensor Controller Studio for configuration

Data Sheet – Key Features

- 2 KB SRAM (code + data)
- 8.2 uA/MHz

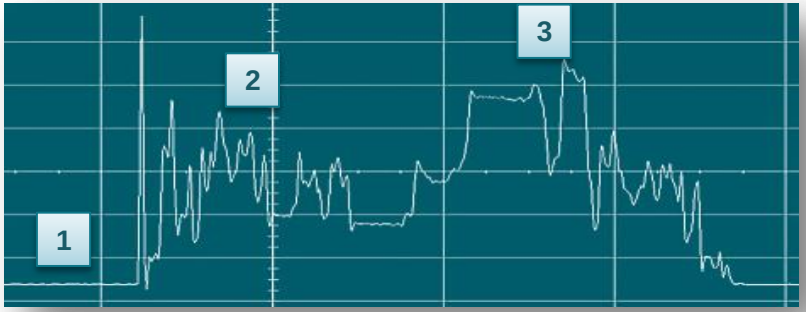
Example: 1 Hz ADC sampling: 0.85 uA



Power Consumption

Low average power consumption

1. When in Standby (with RTC and RAM retention)
2. When processing with MCU
3. When radio is in Receive or Transmit
4. When peripheral is polled for data

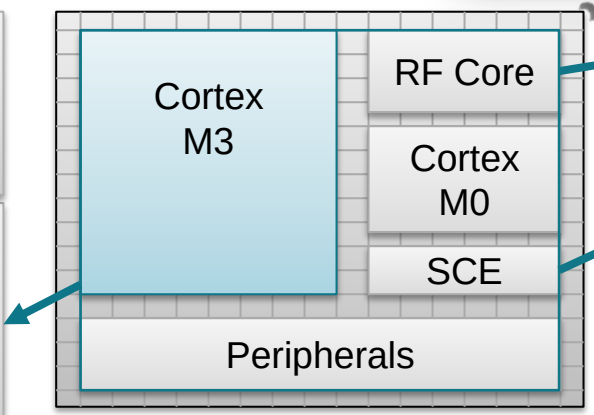


1 Standby Current

- **0.6 µA** Standby with RTC and full retention
- Less than **0.2 µA** in Shutdown

2 ARM Cortex M3

- Fast processing using **2.5 mA** @ 48MHz
- Less time used for stack and application processing and BLE connection events



3 Radio

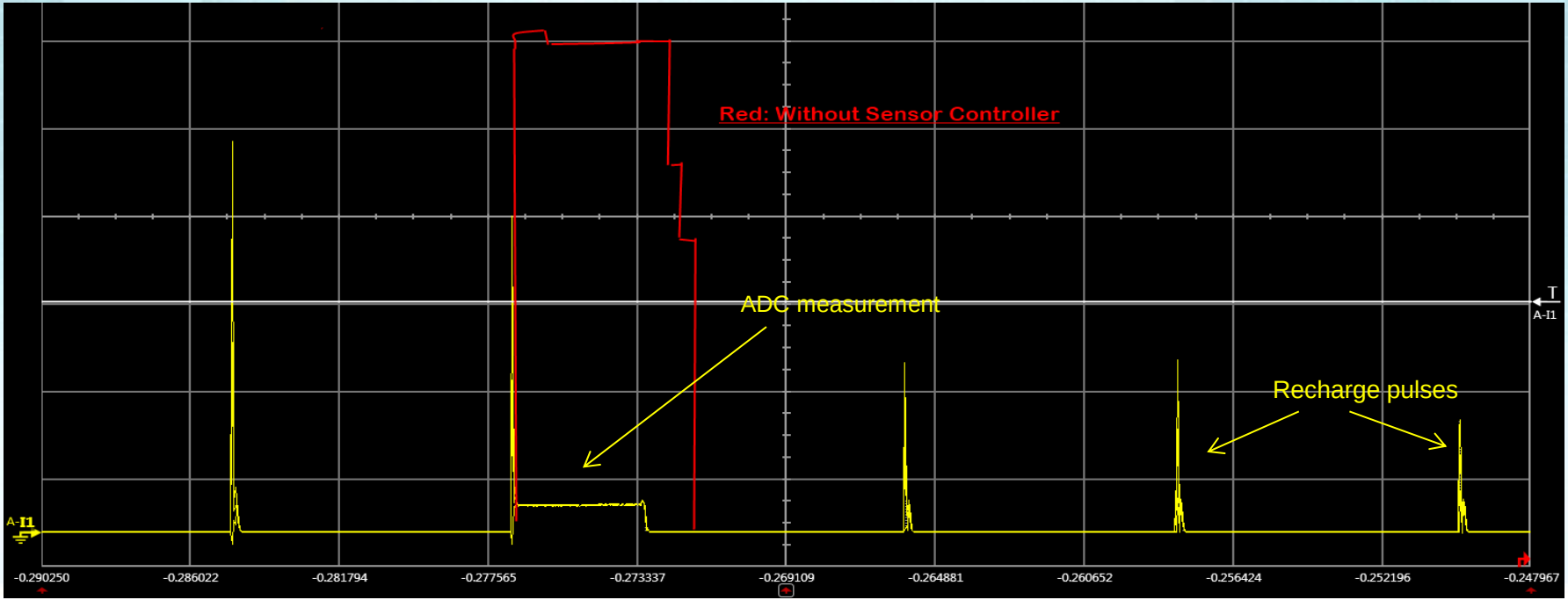
- ~**5.5 mA** RX / ~**13 mA** TX current@ 10 dBm

4 Sensor Controller Engine

- Sensor controller and its peripherals can be powered while rest of system is power off.
- Run Sensor Reading with **< 5 µA** current consumption

ADC Reading: SCE vs CM3

- Current profile, ADC sampling 4 samples / second
  - Sensor Controller vs Waking up the full system



CC1310/50, Software & Tools Overview

Sub-1GHz

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  - RF examples for peer-to-peer type of applications, great tools integr.
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  - Sub-1 GHz (IEEE 802.15.4g, ETSI & FCC, including FHSS)
    - Star network applications
- **Contiki OS**
  - Open Source IP/6LoWPAN IEEE 802.15.4g mesh stack
  - CC1310, CC2630, CC2650, and CC2538 supported, CC1350 (1Q16)
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This Training Session will focus on the CC13xx SDK's developed by TI

What is CC13xx TIRTOS SimpleLink SDK?

Proprietary RF Example Tool Box

Flexible

- Supports a large range of Phy and modulation settings
  - OOK
  - GFSK
  - High Speed Mode
  - Long Range Mode
  - Narrow Band
- Generate custom Phy settings from SmartRF Studio dirrectly into the examples

Extreme flexibility

Easy

- Get going quickly with feature rich Out of Box Example Applications
- Fully integrated in to TIRTOS
- Tool Box of examples for building a propreitory RF protocol
- AT Network Processor Example for ultra easy integration with Host MCU/MPU

Accelerate your time to market

Ultra-low power

- Best-in-class CC1310 platform
  - <6 mA peak current
  - 0.6 uA sleep current (RTC)
  - Autonomous sensor controller
- Integrate Power Manager Driver

Very long battery life or energy harvesting

TI-RTOS Getting Started Examples

- Bundled in TI-RTOS Simplelink
  - IAR & CCS support
  - CCS Cloud (dev.ti.com)
- Platforms supported: SRF06EB/CC1310EM, CC1310 LaunchPad
- RF examples in TI-RTOS SimpleLink bundle:
  - Packet RX
  - Packet TX
  - Carrier Wave (mod, unmod)
  - Wake On Radio
  - ETSI compliant Listen Before Talk
  - PER test supporting IEEE802.15.g FSK, LRM, OOK, HS
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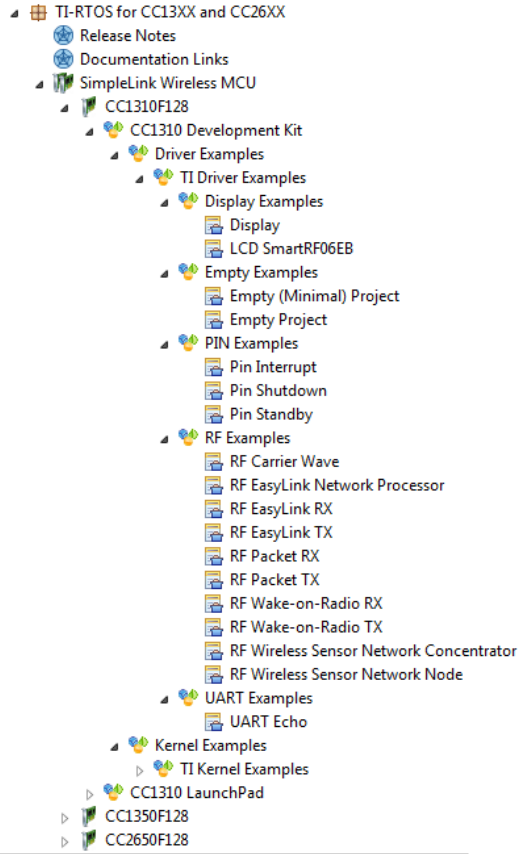

What is TIMAC-2.0.0?

IEEE 802.15.4e/g standard based star networking solution

Robust

- Provides reliable communication: Built-in acknowledgments and retries
- Supports sub-1GHz band: Avoid crowded 2.4GHz spectrum + Long Range
- Provides resistance against interfences: Supports Frequency Hopping configuration
- Provides secure operation: supports AES encryption

Uncompromised robustness

Easy

- Get going quickly with feature rich Out of Box Example Applications
- End to end solution Out of box
  - Local Gateway
  - End nodes
- Compliant with regional regulations
- Scalable network size

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- Low-overhead protocol
- Supports Sleepy devices

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Choosing the right SDK

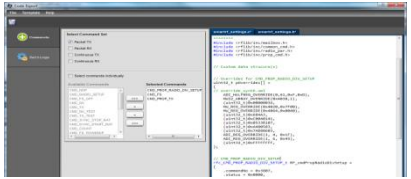
- The Following customers should find the TI RTOS SimpleLink SDK a better match to there needs:
  - Customers that already have a good knowledge or RF and their own proprietary protocols
  - Customers wanting low level access to the RF commands
  - Customer that want to support Phy configurations such as GFSK, On Off keying, long range and High Speed mode
  - Customers that need to control over Phy settings such as BW and Bit Rate.
- The following customers should find TI MAC 2 SDK a better match to there needs :
  - Customers with little knowledge of RF, who need a networking solution
  - Customers who needs to deploy networks scalable in size
  - Customers wanting to support the 802.15.4g standard.
  - Customers that want to bridge IP to RF using a Linux based Gateway.

Backup Slides

CC13xx TIRTOS Simple Link SDK

TI-RTOS – Proprietary tools example

SmartRF™ Studio 7

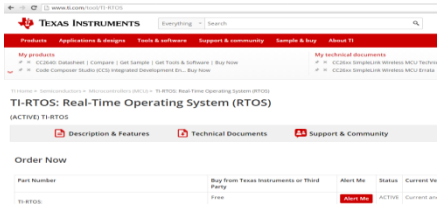


Radio Settings

Driver source Code

Sensor Controller Studio

TI-RTOS



RTOS **Drivers**

IDE & Compiler

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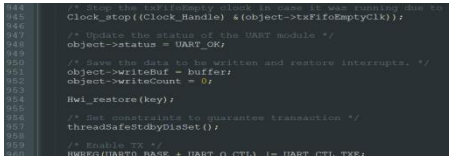
CC1310 LaunchPad

Application Code



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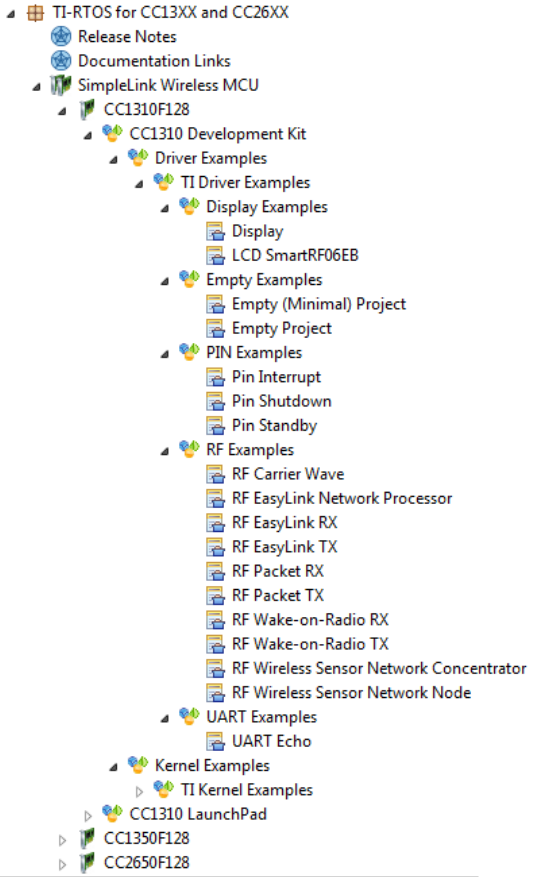
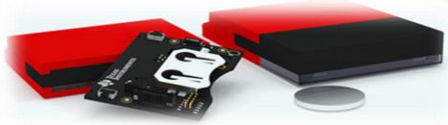
  - CC1350 examples (BLE beacons)



EasyLink Abstraction Layer



- Simple to use abstraction layer, abstract RF complexity

```
EasyLink_init()
EasyLink_transmit(), EasyLink_receive()
```

- Distributed in TI-RTOS Simplelink bundle
- Support for different PHY settings
  - IEEE802.15.4g (GFSK 50kbps), Long Range Mode (LRM) 625bps
  - Custom settings exported from SmartRF Studio
- Muli purpose: 1) abs layer example/start 2) building block
- Platforms:
  - **srf06/cc13xx**,
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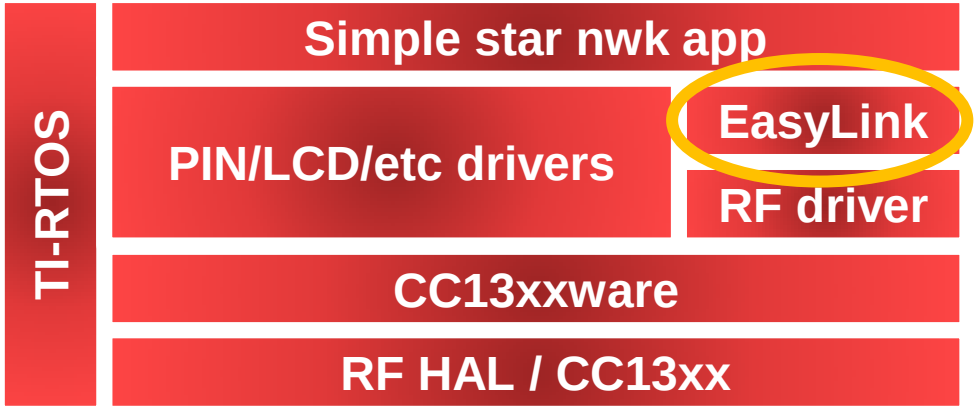


EasyLink API and Packet format

- EasyLink API:

Generic API function	Description
EasyLink_init()	Init's and opens the RF driver and configures the specified modulation
EasyLink_transmit()	Blocking Transmit
EasyLink_transmitAsync()	Nonblocking Transmit
EasyLink_receive()	Blocking Receive
EasyLink_receiveAsync()	Nonblocking Receive
EasyLink_abort()	Aborts a non blocking call
EasyLink_EnableRxAddrFilter()	Enables/Disables RX filtering on the Addr
EasyLink_GetIeeeAddr()	Gets the IEEE Address
EasyLink_SetFreq()	Sets the frequency
EasyLink_GetFreq()	Gets the frequency
EasyLink_SetRfPwr()	Sets the Tx Power
EasyLink_GetRfPwr()	Gets the Tx Power

- Frame format
  - The EasyLink implements a basic header for transmitting and receiving data. This header supports addressing for a star or point-to-point network.

EasyLink Network Processor

- An EasyLink AT Command Network Processor example
- The EasyLink API has been exposed over an AT Command UART Interface such that it can be exercised by Host SW (running on an PC, MPU or MCU) or by a human using a serial terminal emulator.
- The AT Command Interface uses ASCII characters so that a terminal emulator can send the commands, but also uses framing so that SW can format and parse the AT commands.
- AT Frame format

Start of Frame	Command Type	Command ID	parameters	End Of Frame
"AT"	'P'/'+'	"i"	"0001"	\<CR>

- An example, to initialize the radio for IEEE802.15.4g 50kbps, the command is:

```
`AT+I 0000<CR>`
```

- The EasyLink AT Command Interface uses 2 command types:
  - `Pxx:` Parameters
  - `+x:` Control Commands

TIMAC-2.0.0

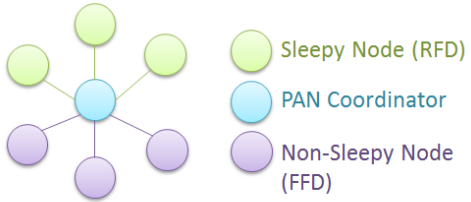
TIMAC-2.0.0 Example Applications

Collector Application

- Creates a TIMAC Low Power Network by starting the device as a PAN-Coordinator.
- Allows new devices to join the network.
- Configures the joining devices for how often to report the sensor data. For sleepy devices it also configures the sleepy node on how often to poll for data.
- Tracks if the devices are active/inactive in the network. It achieves this by sending the tracking request message in a round robin fashion to the connected devices. A device which responds to the command is marked as active while that does not is marked as inactive.

Sensor Application

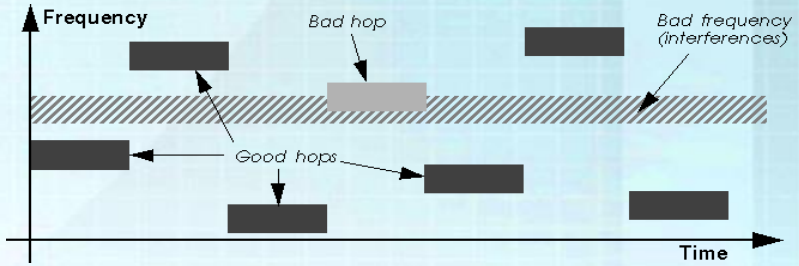
- Joins a TIMAC Network
- Reports sensor data at configured interval
- If sleepy, polls for any buffered data from the PAN-Coordinator at configured interval
- Responds to the tracking request messages
- Can be battery powered



TIMAC-2.0.0

Uncompromised robustness

Designed for range & resilience	
Feature	**Benefits**
802.15.4g sub-1GHz PHY	Longer range Better penetration Less crowded spectrum IEEE-defined Field-proven
Frequency Hopping Configuration	Protection against interferences Longer range in FCC Band
CSMA/CA	Effective medium management
Acks & Retries	Automatic MAC error recovery
Strong link budget	Long range
MAC beacon mode configuration	Reduces collisions Enables very large networks



TIMAC-2.0.0 Network Configurations

Non – Hopping Configurations

Beacon Enabled Mode

- PAN Coordinator sends out periodic messages to which network
- Suitable for L… Deplo…, Industrial Sensor …many more

Large Networks

Synchronous Network Operation

Non Beacon Mode

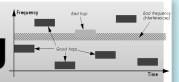
- Network devices request parent beac… procedures such as associat…
- Network device… (using … …reds) of node …s
- …st Applications: Home Automation, Industrial Automation, and many more

Lowest Power Nodes

Asynchronous Network Operation

Hopping Configuration

Frequency Hopping



- Compliant to frequency hopping schem… defined by WiSUN FAN v83 s…
- Devices hop on di…
- Long… …t power in …
- …ons: Home Automation, …al Automation, and many more

Longest Range

Asynchronous Network Operation

Q & A