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The Wi-Fi IoT Developer Journey to Achieve Ultra-Low- Power



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- 4 Develop
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- 6 Conclusion

Developing an IoT Application

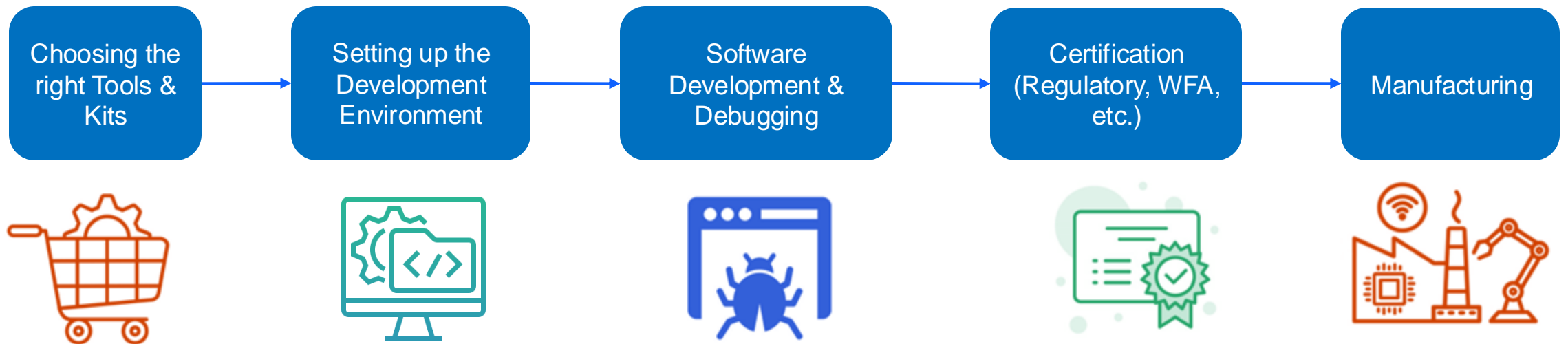
- **Development tools**
 - How to choose the right tool set for your project?
- **Power design**
 - How to optimize SW to minimize energy consumption?
- **Certifications**
 - WFA, Bluetooth SIG, CSA, RF regulations, etc
 - How to minimize effort and time?
- **Security design**
 - How to protect against remote and local threats?
- **Manufacturing**
 - Flash Programming, Security Keys, Certificates, etc
 - How to reduce risks, costs, and time to launch?



What's Wi-Fi Developer Journey?

End-to-End Guide for IoT developers

- Available <https://www.silabs.com/wireless/wi-fi/wi-fi-developer-journey>



Wi-Fi Developer Journey

Getting Started



Develop



Deploy Product



Learn More on www.silabs.com/wi-fi-development

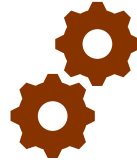
Getting Started



Buy a Kit



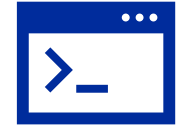
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Development
Tools



Set Up Development
Environment

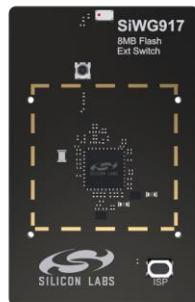
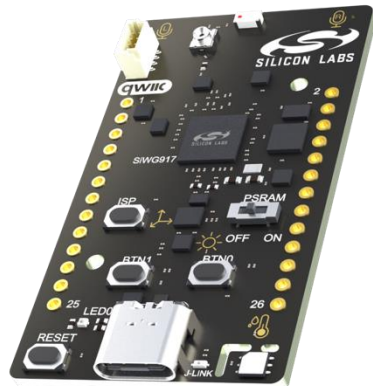
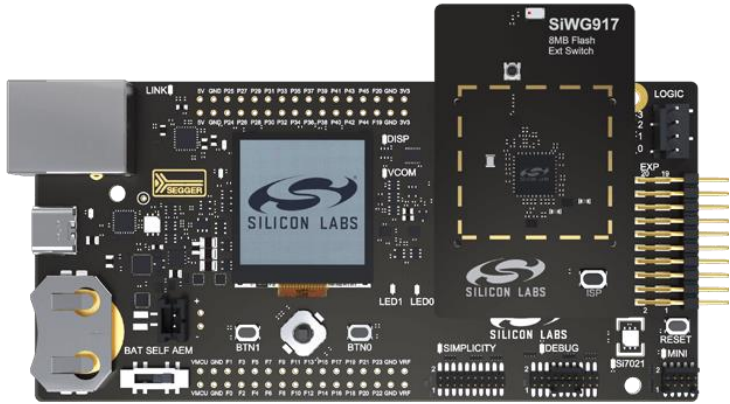


Flash a Demo



Explore Demos

Choosing the Right Kit

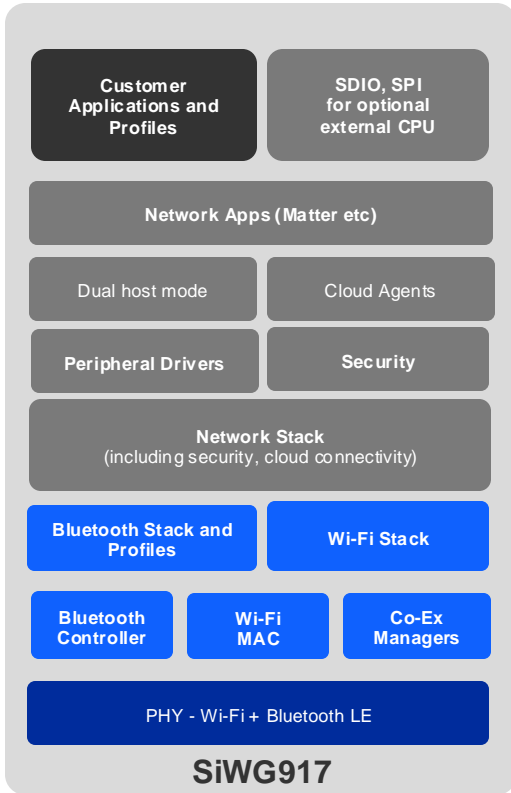


- Software Architecture:
 - SoC, NCP, RCP
- IC or Module?
- Flash Requirement
- Memory Requirements
- Host Processor:
 - Linux (x86/Arm) → RCP
 - FreeRTOS → NCP

SiWx917 Software Architecture

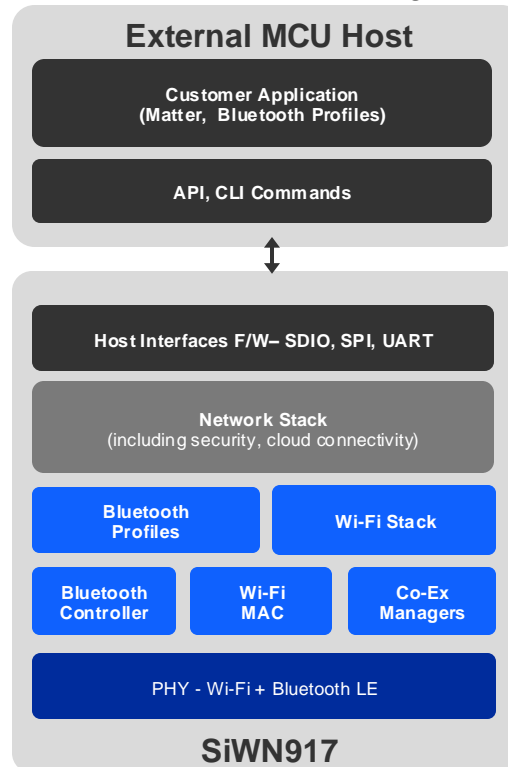
SOC- MCU FOR APPS

- Hostless – No external host needed
- Application, Wireless, and networking stacks run on SiWG917



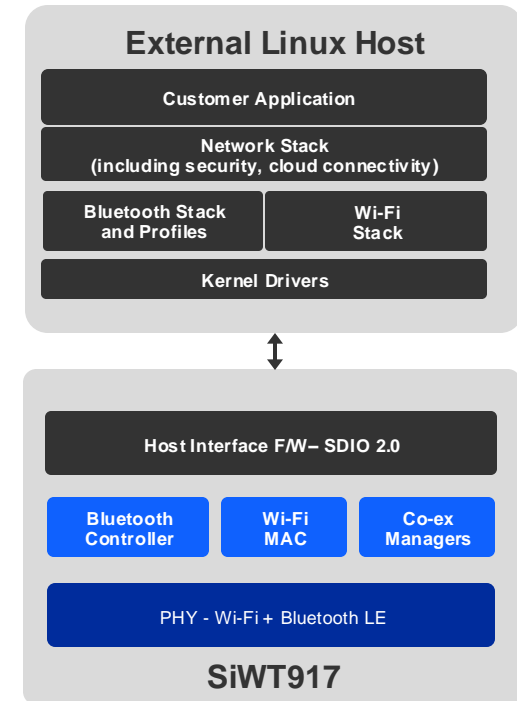
NETWORK CO-PROCESSOR

- Hosted – Network Co-Processor (NCP)
- Host MCU runs RTOS, application code, cloud agent, and Matter
- SiWN917 runs Wi-Fi and Bluetooth radios, wireless and networking stacks



RADIO CO-PROCESSOR

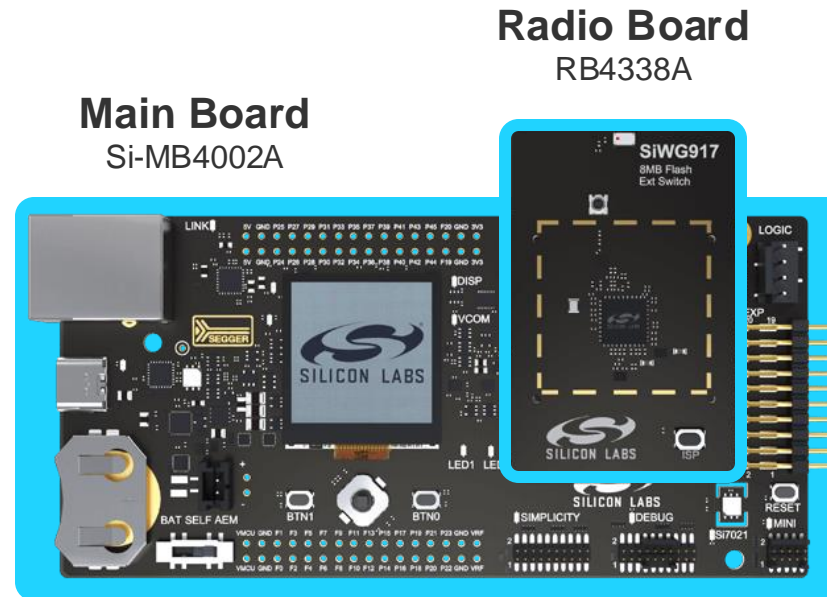
- Hosted - Radio Co-Processor (RCP)
- SiWT917 radio transceiver mode for Wi-Fi and Bluetooth
- Linux host runs wireless, networking, and security stacks



SiWx917 SoC Pro Kit (PK6031A)

Supports Standalone SoC Mode

- Includes an SDK for Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, Matter, and networking functionality
- Examples for Matter, ultra-low power, IoT Cloud connectivity with AWS and Azure
- Additional sample demo code for peripherals I/Os (timers, interrupts, SPI, I2C, PWM, ADC, UART, etc.)



Development Environment

- Simplicity Studio IDE and Debugger Integration
- Advanced Energy Measurement for ultra-low power
- Command line interface, Universal Configurator
- Datasheet, Getting Started Guide, API and HW Reference Manuals

* Planned/roadmap

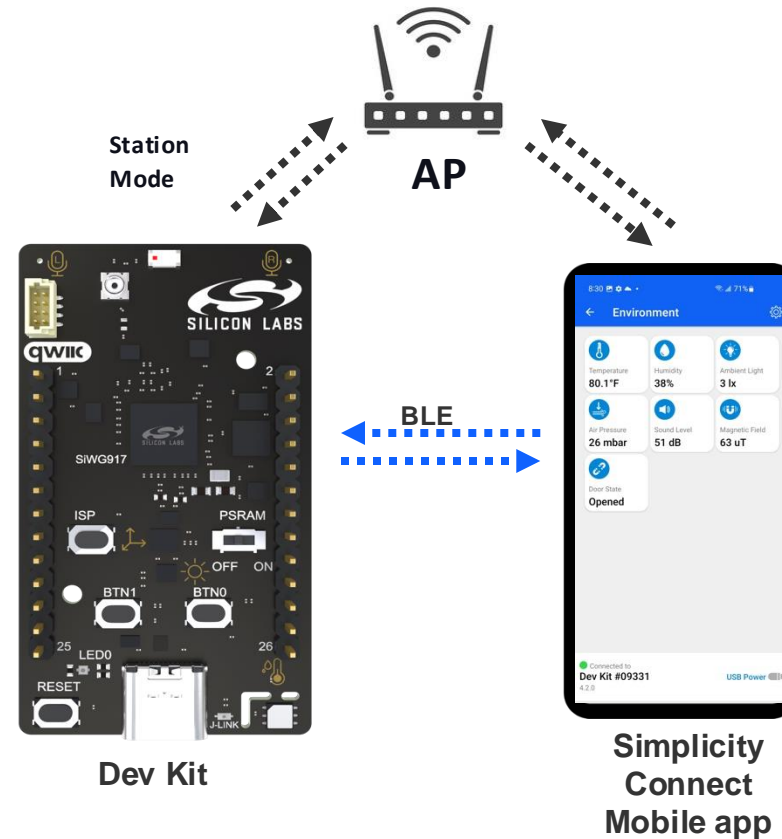
SoC Dev Kit: SiWx917-DK2605A

Supported Wi-Fi Modes

- Station Mode: Connect Dev Kit to an Access Point
- Access Point Mode: Connect to Dev Kit Access Point

Simplicity Connect Mobile App

- Connect SiWx917 using BLE
- Provision Dev Kit into Wi-Fi Network
- Display sensor data (Windows Browser can be used if Mobile app isn't available)
- User Settings (e.g. Sensor update rate)



Demo Capabilities

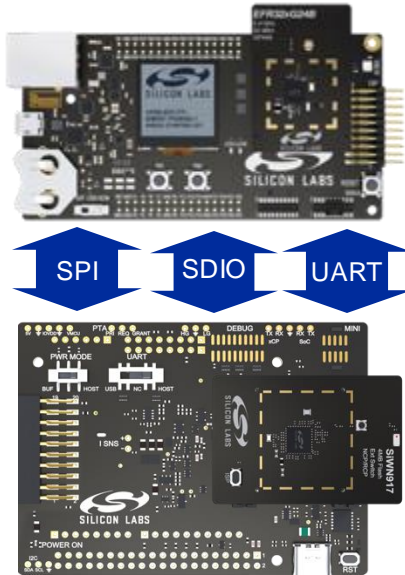
- Report raw sense data (Temp, Humid, Ambient light)
- SiWx917 can go into sleep mode, if idling (low-power supported in Station Mode)
- Wake up by pressing user button or on motion sense detection

On-Board Sensors

- Temperature Sensor (Si7021)
- Humidity Sensor (Si7021)
- 6-axis inertial sensor (ICM-20689)
- 2x Digital Microphones (ICS-43434)
- Ambient Light Sensor (VEML6035)

SiWN917 Adapter Kits for External MCU Connected to NCP

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EFR32



EFR32 ADAPTER (SI-EB8045A)

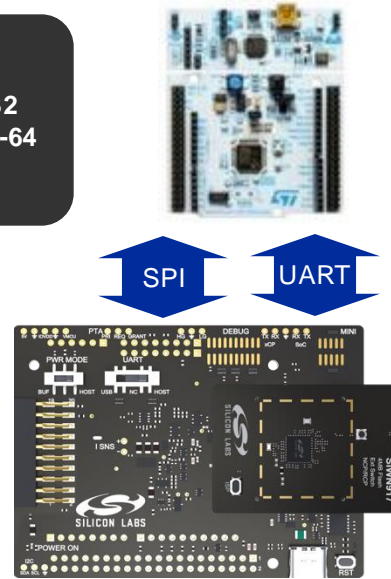
Adapter Si-EB8045A

- EFR32 MCU host on a Pro Kit
- SiWN917 Network Co-Processor

EXP

- SPI, UART, SDIO*
- Packet Traffic Arbitration
- Power and Power save control signals

STM32
Nucleo-64



STM32 ADAPTER (SI-EB8045C)

Adapter Si-EB8045C

- STM32 Nucleo-64 host (Arduino Shield compatible)
- SiWN917 Network Co-Processor

Arduino Shield

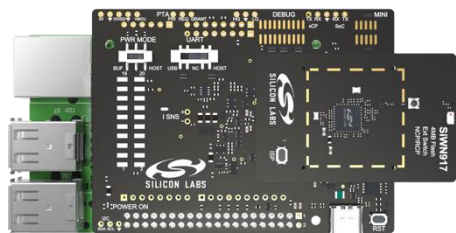
- SPI, UART
- Packet Traffic Arbitration
- Power and Power save control signals



GETTING STARTED

- **WiSeConnect v3 for NCP**
- **WiSeConnect™ SDK v3.x:**
 - [EFR32™ Host in NCP Mode](#)
 - [STM32™ Host in NCP Mode](#)

SiWT917 RCP Adapter/Expander Kits for Linux on SDIO



RASPBERRY PI 4 ADAPTER (SI-EB8045B)

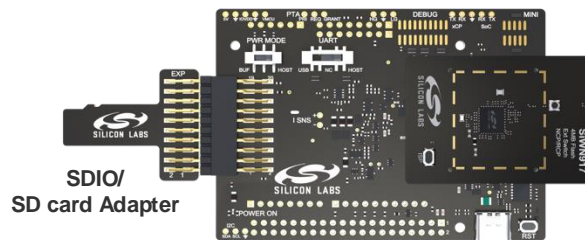
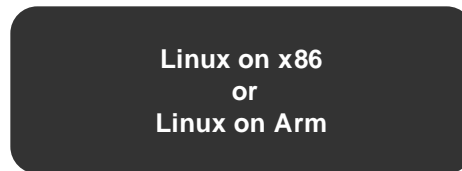
Adapter Si-EB8045**B**

Preferred

- Raspberry Pi 4 host
- Silicon Labs provided Linux image
- SiWT917 RCP Co-Processor

RPI Hardware Attached on Top (HAT)

- SDIO data interface
- Power



SDIO/
SD card Adapter

SDIO / SD CARD ADAPTER (SI-EB8045A)

Adapter Si-EB8045**A**

- Linux x86 or Arm Host
- SiWT917 RCP Co-Processor

SDIO microSD form factor

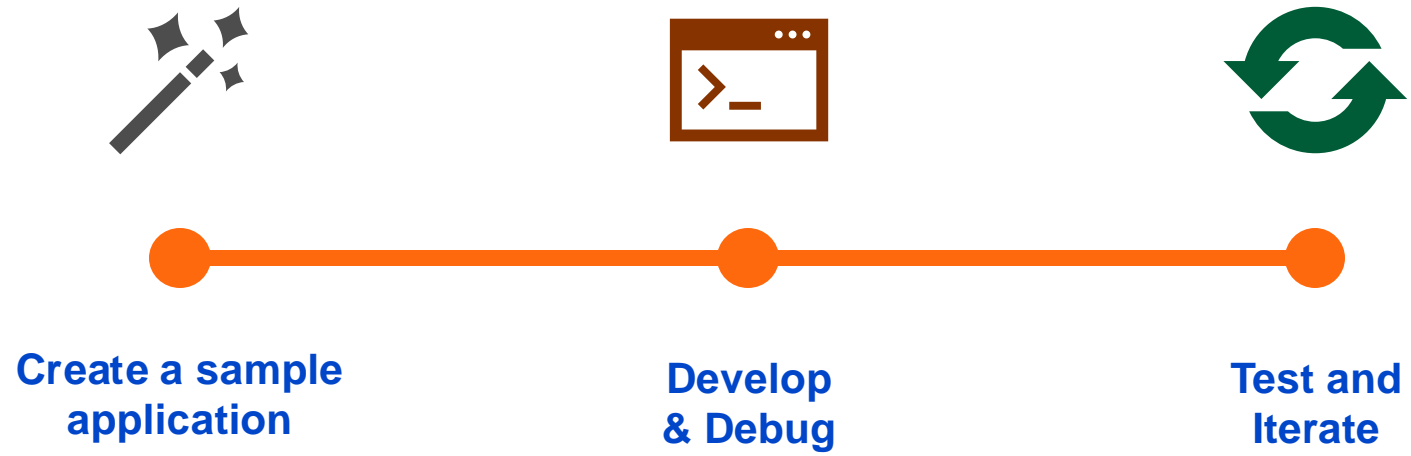
- SDIO 2.0 adapter, 4bit full speed mode
- 50MHz Clock



GETTING STARTED

- Linux Kernel support 3.18 – 5.93
- [Link to Release Notes](#)
- Datasheet 0.5

Develop



Set Up Development Environment

Simplicity Studio is Silicon Labs' main IDE for all IoT products

- Includes programmer and debugger functions
- No manual setup
- Recognizes your board, identifies applicable sample applications and SDKs
- Simplicity Commander
 - Device Information – OPN, flash mode, firmware version, MAC address etc.,
 - Update connectivity firmware and application images
 - Mass production



Download here:

- <https://www.silabs.com/developers/simplicity-studio>

Explore Applications

- Many applications available
- Modify reference code
- Simplify your development



Cloud Connectivity
(AWS, Azure)



Low Power



Throughput



Peripherals



FW Upgrade
(OTA)

[Learn more on
Simplicity Studio...](#)

Create your own Application

The screenshot displays the SCL IDE interface for the Si91x SoC. The main heading is "Si91x Single-band Wi-Fi and BLE 8MB Flash Radio Board (BRD4338A Rev ...)". The navigation menu includes "OVERVIEW", "EXAMPLE PROJECTS & DEMOS" (which is active), "DOCUMENTATION", and "COMPATIBLE TOOLS". Below the navigation, there is a prompt: "Run a pre-compiled demo or create a new project based on a software example." On the left, a sidebar contains a search filter set to "empty", and three toggle switches for "Demos", "Example Projects", and "Solution Examples", all of which are turned on. Below these are links for "What are Demo and Example Projects?", "Wireless Technology" (with a "Clear" button), and "Device Type" (with a "Clear" button). Under "Wireless Technology", there are checkboxes for "Bluetooth (0)" and "Wi-Fi (0)". The main content area shows "2 resources found":

- SL Si91x - Empty C Project SoC**: This example project shows a empty c example that can be used as a starting point to add components and functionality to the Si91x SoC. A "CREATE" button is highlighted with an orange border.
- SL Si91x - Empty CPP Project SoC**: This example project shows a empty cpp example that can be used as a starting point to add components and functionality to the Si91x SoC. A "CREATE" button is present.

Each resource also includes a "View Project Documentation" link. The footer of the interface shows "© 2024 Silicon Labs".

Create your own Application (SiWx917 SoC)

Memory Requirement

- 672 kB total SRAM shared between NWP and M4 available
- Three memory configurations available:
 1. 352 kB (NWP) and 320 kB (M4)
 2. 416 kB (NWP) and 256 kB (M4)
 3. 480 kB (NWP) and 192 kB (M4)

The screenshot displays the IDE interface for configuring the `sl_si91x_empty_c_soc` project. The left pane shows the Project Explorer with the file structure. The main pane is titled `sl_si91x_empty_c_soc` and shows the 'SOFTWARE COMPONENTS' tab. A search filter 'memory' is applied, showing a list of components under 'WiSeConnect 3 SDK v3.3.3' > 'Device' > 'Si91x' > 'MCU' > 'Hardware'. The 'Memory Configuration' section is highlighted with an orange box, showing three options: 'Default RAM Memory Configuration', 'MEMORY_MCU_ADVANCED_WIRELESS_BASIC', and 'MEMORY_MCU_BASIC_WIRELESS_ADVANCED' (which is selected). The 'MEMORY_MCU_MEDIUM_WIRELESS_MEDIUM' option is also visible. The right pane shows the description for the selected component: 'MEMORY_MCU_BASIC_WIRELESS_ADVANCED'. The description states: 'Provides RAM memory configuration option 1 for the Si91x, namely EXT_FEAT_480K_M455_192K. This memory split provides sufficient RAM split to enable basic features on the MCU and advance features on the wireless subsystem. This is the default configuration.'

Create your own Application (SiWx917 SoC)

- **Wi-Fi Requirement**

- Station mode
- Access Point mode
- Concurrent mode (STA + AP)
- Multi protocol (Wi-Fi STA + BLE)

Wi-Fi - Station Ping (SoC)

Demonstrates how to send an ICMP ping request.

[View Project Documentation](#)

CREATE

Wi-Fi - Access Point (SoC)

Start a Wi-Fi Access Point with WPA2 security

[View Project Documentation](#)

CREATE

Wi-Fi - Concurrent Mode (SoC)

Start Wi-Fi Client and Wi-Fi Access Point with WPA2 security

[View Project Documentation](#)

CREATE

Wi-Fi Coex - Wi-Fi Client BLE Provisioning (SoC)

This application explains how to connect to a Wi-Fi access point using BLE provisioning functionality.

[View Project Documentation](#)

CREATE

Create your own Application (SiWx917 SoC)

Peripheral Requirement

- GSPI
- SSI
- I2C
- I2S
- ADC
- DAC
- PWM
- SDIO
- UART
- USART
- Watchdog Timer
- GPIO

SL Si91x - GSPI Demonstrates how to use the GSPI interface on the Si91x SoC device. View Project Documentation	CREATE
SL Si91x - SSI Master Demonstrates how to use SSI Master. View Project Documentation	CREATE
SL Si91x - SSI Slave Demonstrates how to use SSI Slave. View Project Documentation	CREATE
SL Si91x - I2C Driver Follower Demonstrates how to use I2C Peripheral. View Project Documentation	CREATE
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SL Si91x - I2S Loopback Demonstrates how to use the I2S loopback on the Si91x SoC device. View Project Documentation	CREATE
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SL Si91x - I2S Secondary Demonstrates how to use the I2S secondary interface on the Si91x SoC device. View Project Documentation	CREATE

SL Si91x - ADC FIFO Mode Demonstrates the how to configure and use the ADC peripheral on the fifo mode on the the SiWx917 SoC device. View Project Documentation	CREATE
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SL Si91x - PWM Demonstrates how to use pwm. View Project Documentation	CREATE
SL Si91x - SDIO Secondary Demonstrates how to use SDIO Secondary View Project Documentation	CREATE
SL Si91x - UART This example project configures UART transmits and receives data in full duplex mode. View Project Documentation	CREATE
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SL Si91x - USART SYNCHRONOUS MASTER This example project configures USART master and transmits and receives data in synchronous full duplex mode. View Project Documentation	CREATE
SL Si91x - USART SYNCHRONOUS SLAVE This example project configures USART slave and transmits and receives data in synchronous full duplex mode. View Project Documentation	CREATE
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SL Si91x - GPIO Example Demonstrates pin interrupt for HP GPIO instance. View Project Documentation	CREATE
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Create your own Application (SiWx917 SoC)

Application Protocol

- TCP
- UDP
- TLS
- MQTT/MQTTS
- HTTP/HTTPS
- SNMP
- ICMP

The image displays a collection of project cards for various applications on the SiWx917 SoC. Each card includes a title, a brief description, a 'CREATE' button, and a 'View Project Documentation' link. The projects are:

- Wi-Fi - TWT Use case demo app (SoC)**
- Wi-Fi - Embedded MQTT Client (SoC)**
- Wi-Fi - Concurrent HTTP Server Provisioning (SoC)**
Start a Wi-Fi Client and Wi-Fi Access Point in IPv4 and IPv6 simultaneously through provisioning from HTTP Server
- Wi-Fi - Throughput**
- Wi-Fi - HTTP Client (SoC)**
Demonstrates how to create HTTP client operations with the server opened on the device
- Wi-Fi - Embedded MQTT Client TWT**
Demonstrates how to build an MQTT client with TWT
- Wi-Fi - HTTP OTAF Update (SoC)**
Demonstrates how to perform firmware upgrade over a cloud storage server
- Wi-Fi - Station Ping (SoC)**
Demonstrates how to send an ICMP ping request.
- Wi-Fi - Station Ping V6**
Demonstrates how to send an ICMPv6 ping request.
- Wi-Fi Coex - Wi-Fi Client HTTPS BLE Dual Role(SOC)**
This example demonstrates the ability of SiWx91x device connecting and transferring the data simultaneously in BLE/WiFi wireless interfaces.
- Wi-Fi - AWS IoT MQTT Client (SoC)**
- Wi-Fi - Concurrent HTTP Server(SoC)**
Demonstrates how to create HTTP Server in concurrent mode
- Wi-Fi - Three TLS Concurrent Client Sockets (SoC)**
- Wi-Fi - TWT TCP Client (SoC)**
- Wi-Fi - HTTP(S) server or client**
- Wi-Fi - HTTP(S) server or client with a cloud storage server with IWI**
- Wi-Fi Coex - Wi-Fi Client BLE Provisioning with AWS (SoC)**

Create your own Application (SiWx917 SoC)

Low Power Requirements

M4 Power Modes



Active



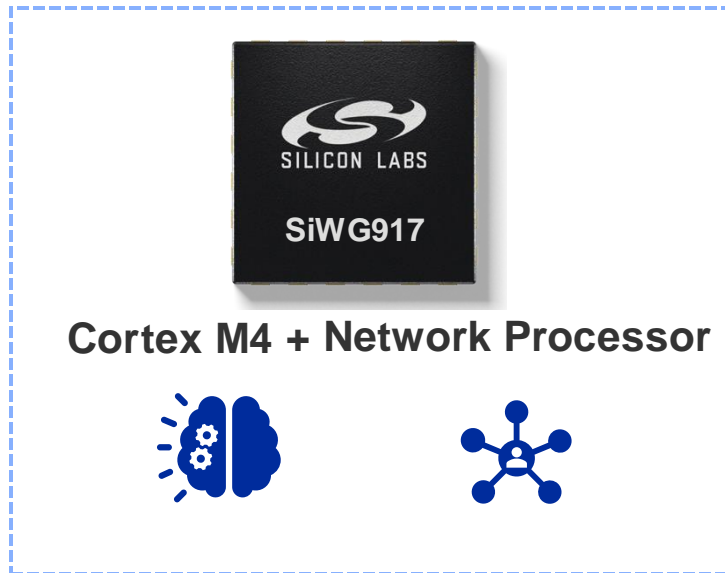
Standby



Sleep



Deepsleep/
Shutdown



[AN1430: SiWG917 Low-Power Application Note](#)

NWP Low Power Modes

Connected



Legacy Associated Power Save

Target Wake Time based Power Save

Unconnected

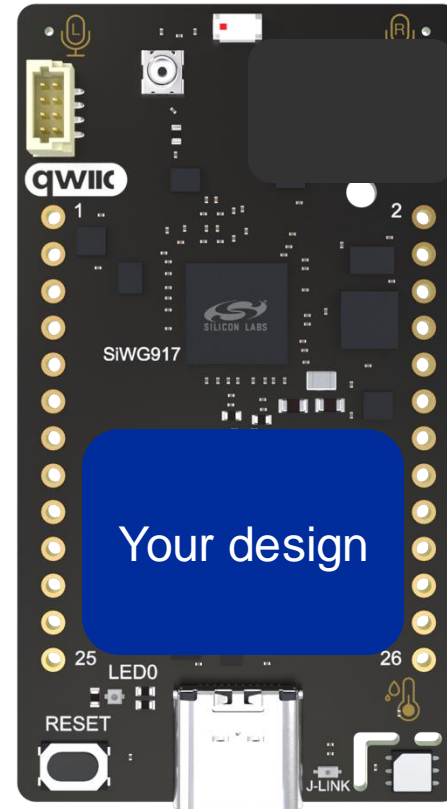


Standby Power Save with Retention

Standby Power Save without Retention

Debug

- Compilation Errors
- Task handling
- Memory Issues
- Blocking APIs
- Application prints
- Data transfer Issue

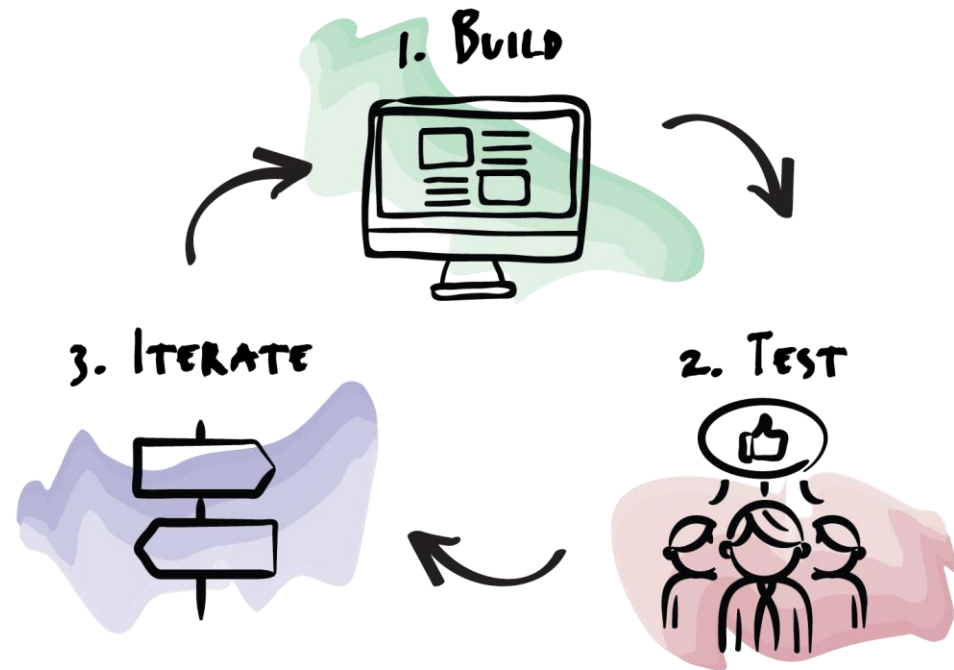


Test and iterate

Based on your application requirement

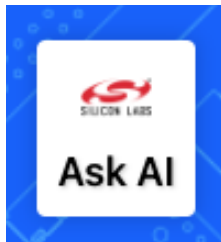
- Low-power consumption
- Throughput
- Latency
- Connectivity Issues

Make your application robust



Wi-Fi Software Development / Support

- [WiSeConnect support](#)
- [Docs.silabs.com / AskAI](#)
- [Application Notes](#)
- [Silicon Labs Community](#)
- [Tech Talks / On-demand webinars](#)



The screenshot shows the Silicon Labs WiSeConnect 3 support page. The breadcrumb trail is: Home // About Us // Events // Tech Talks: Wireless Technology Training. The page title is "Cases". There is a "START A DISCUSSION" button. Below it, the "Cases" section shows "Recently Viewed" with 0 items. A search bar and filter icons are present. A table with columns "Case ...", "Account Name", "Part Number", and "Subject" is shown. Below the table, there is a link to view an application note: "Click here to view this application note." The application note title is "Design Battery Based Wi-Fi Cameras with SiWx917" and it has a "View On-Demand" link.

Deploy Product



Qualify Product



Manufacturing

Qualify Product

- Regulatory Certifications
- SiWx917 is a Wi-Fi pre-certified IC
- RF certified modules: Turnkey certification
- Wi-Fi Alliance Certification:
 - Quick Track enabled for customers
 - Certification FW & collateral provided
- Silicon Labs RF certification guidelines
 - [AN1437: SiWx917 RF Regulatory Testing](#)



Manufacturing

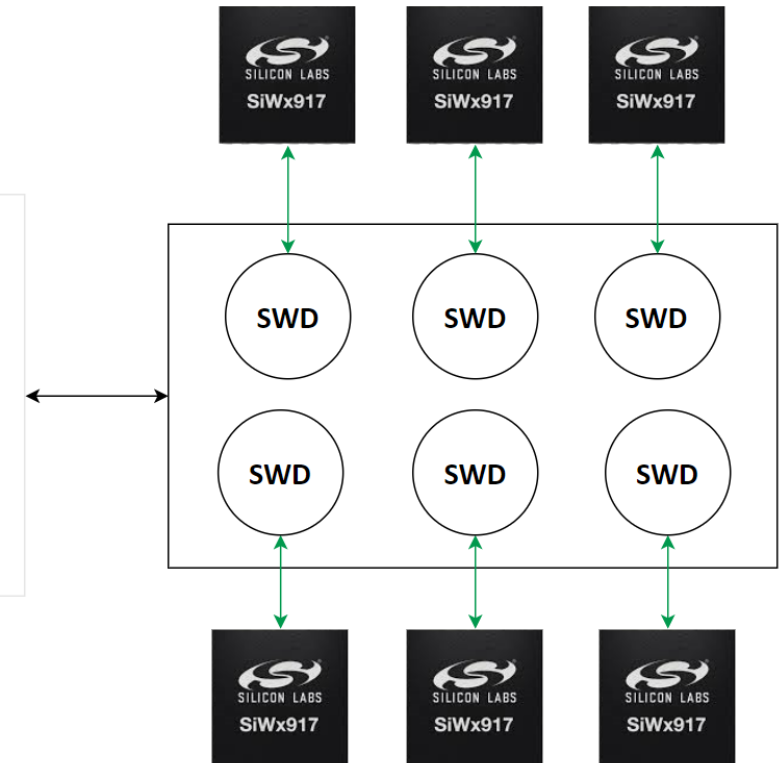
Manufacturing utility guide covers various device configuration aspects such as memory, security, flashing, and much more:

- [UG574: SiWx917 SoC Manufacturing Utility User Guide](#)
- [UG575: SiWx917 NCP Manufacturing Utility User Guide](#)

For final RF adjustments, please check our AN1440: SiWx917 Gain Offset Calibration guide.

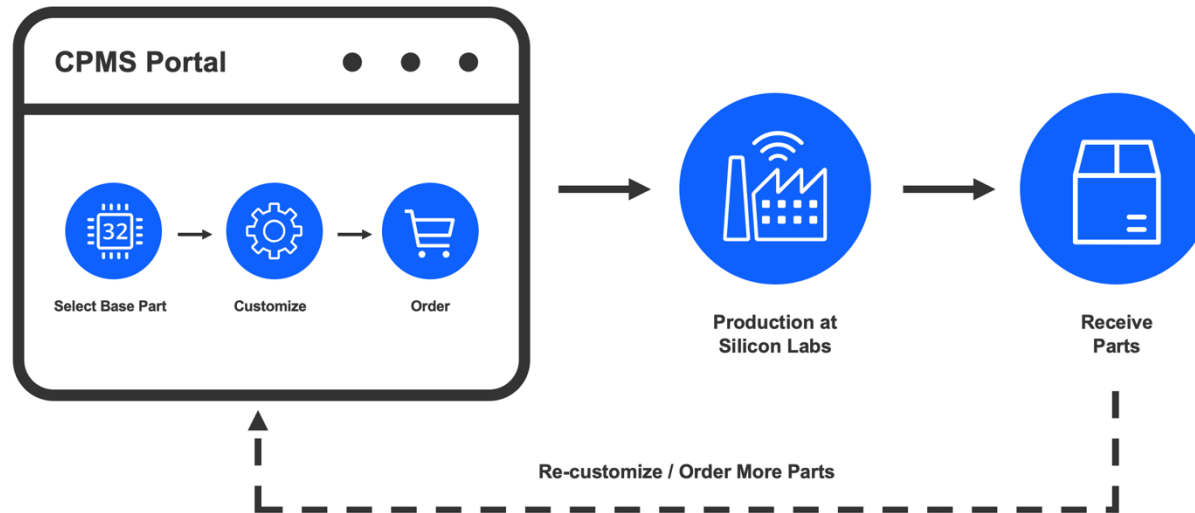
- [AN1440: SiWx917 Gain Offset Calibration](#)

Note: Silicon Labs Radio Boards and Kits have been calibrated and to be used as layout reference. IC customers need to calibrate their custom board's gain and frequency offset values.



Custom Part Programming for Wi-Fi

- CPMS – Custom Part Manufacturing Service
 - Secure programming for ordering customized Silicon Labs products



- SiWx917 ICs and modules
 - Features include: Unique Ordering part number, FW flash programming, custom IC package markings

- Benefits:
 - Pre-programmed parts save you time and effort in manufacturing
 - Avoids the risks of a CM programming your parts
 - Prevents programming errors
 - Unique part number prevents unauthorized over-production and over-pricing
 - Custom-markings hide the technology you are using, preserving your competitive advantage

Conclusion



New Application Requirement



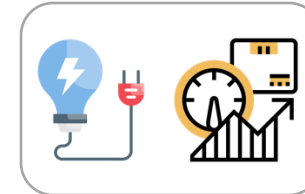
Evaluate the SiWx917 Wi-Fi and familiarize with the development environment



Create the hardware design



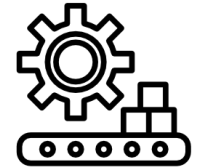
Develop and debug your application



Test & Iterate - power consumption, throughput etc.,



Qualify the product (Certification)



Manufacturing the product



www.silabs.com/wi-fi-development

Thank You