Tech Talks LIVE Schedule – Presentation will begin shortly

Silicon Labs LIVE:

Wireless Connectivity Tech Talks



Topic	Date
Building a Proper Mesh Test Environment: How This Was Solved in Boston	Thursday, July 2
Come to your Senses with our Magnetic Sensor	Thursday, July 9
Exploring features of the BLE Security Manager	Thursday, July 23
New Bluetooth Mesh Light & Sensor Models	Thursday, July 30
Simplicity Studio v5 Introduction	Thursday, August 6
Long Range Connectivity using Proprietary RF Solution	Thursday, August 13
Wake Bluetooth from Deep Sleep using an RF Signal	Thursday, August 20

Please take the poll while waiting and be entered to receive a Mesh Starter kit.



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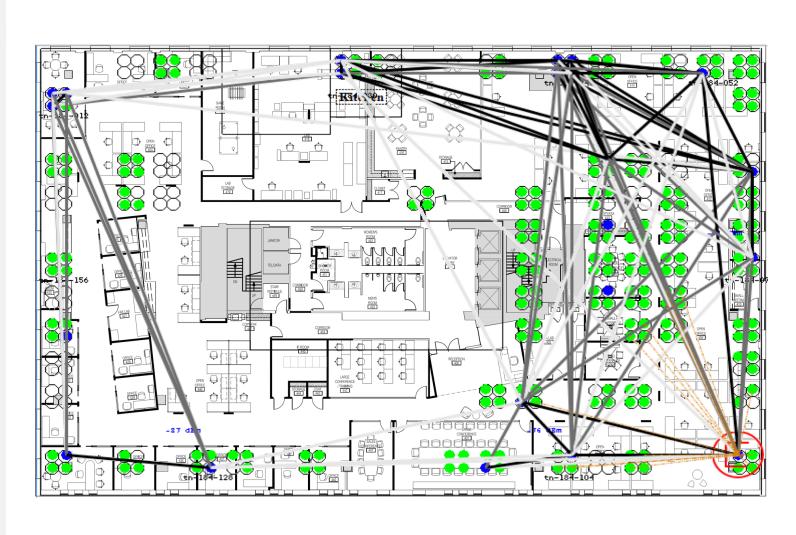
Building a Proper Mesh Test Environment: How This Was Solved in Boston

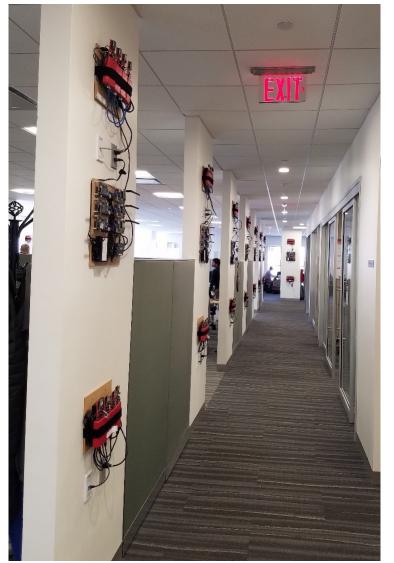
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Agenda

- Why?
- Hardware
 - Wireless Starter Kit
 - Radio boards
 - Packet Trace Interface
- Software
 - SDKs
 - Tools
- Demo
- Documentation

Silicon Labs Boston Office Test Network



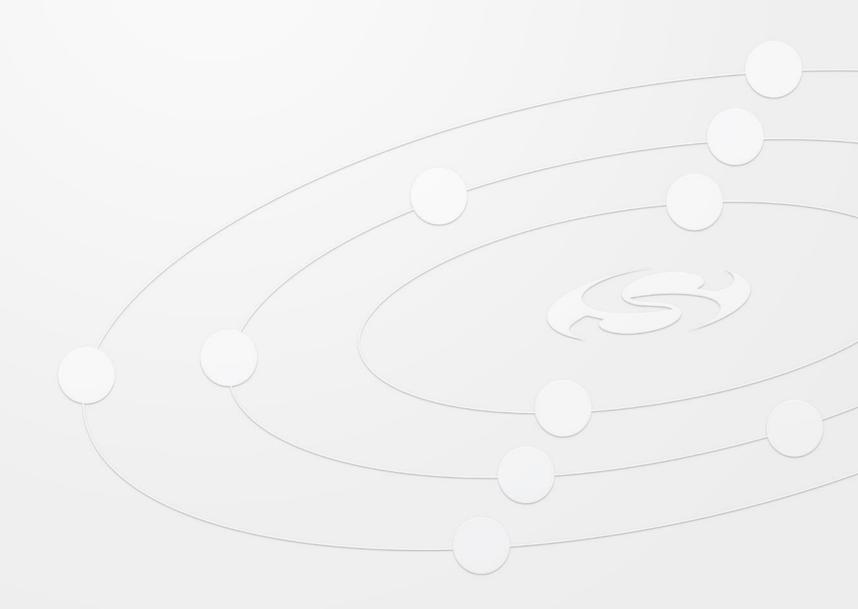


Why?

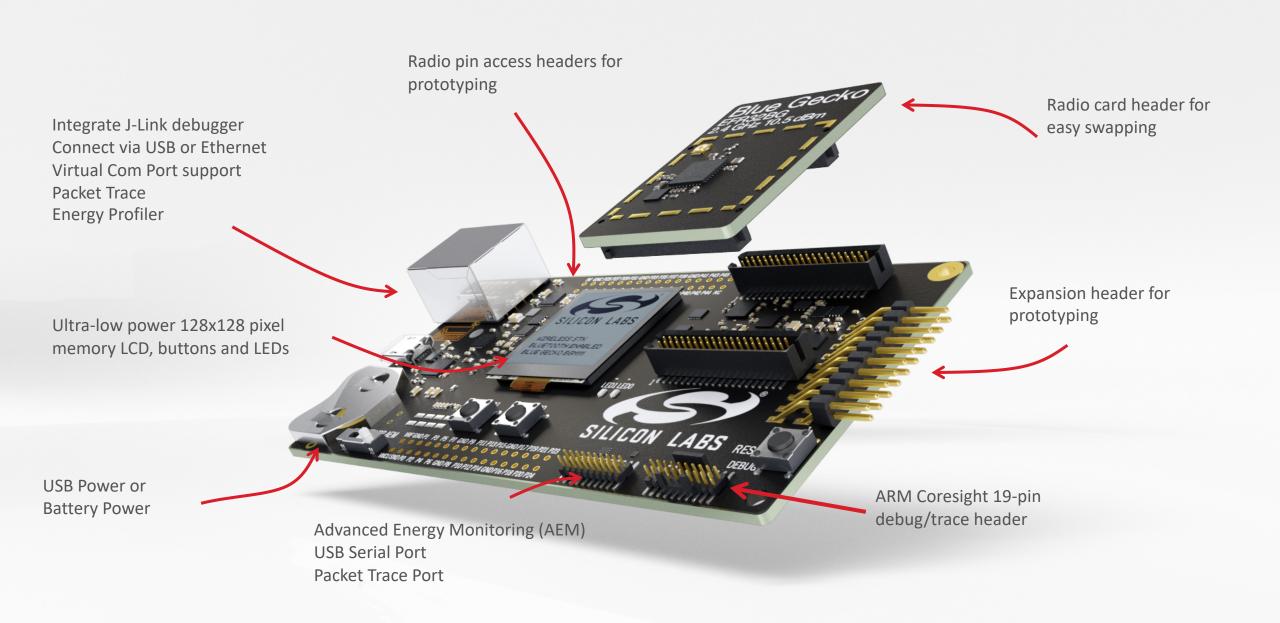
- Application Testing
- Hardware Testing
- Compliance Testing
- Certification Testing

- Small Network
 - Table top prototyping
 - **3**-6 nodes
- Medium Network
 - Typical In Home sized network
 - 10-30 nodes
- Large Network
 - Network algorithm testing
 - Protocol testing
 - Industrial/Commercial
 - 100 300 nodes

Hardware

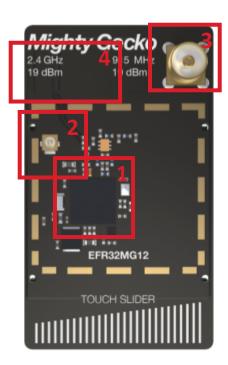


Development Hardware



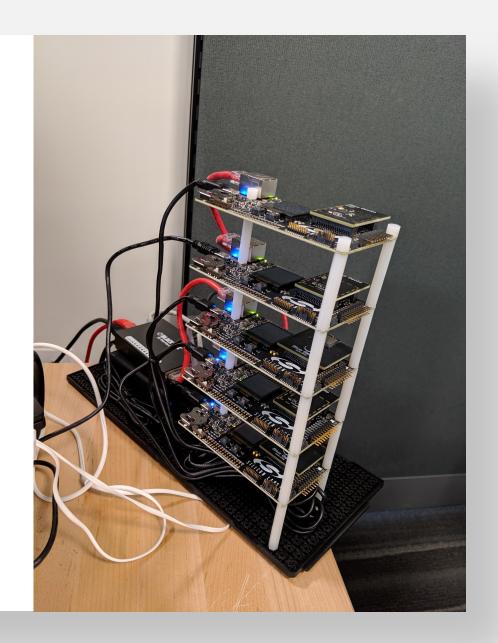
EFR32 Radio Board

- 1. EFR32MG12
- 2. SMA Connector (2.4GHz)
- 3. UFL Connecter (Sub-GHz)
- 4. Printed Inverted-F antenna



Prototyping test setup

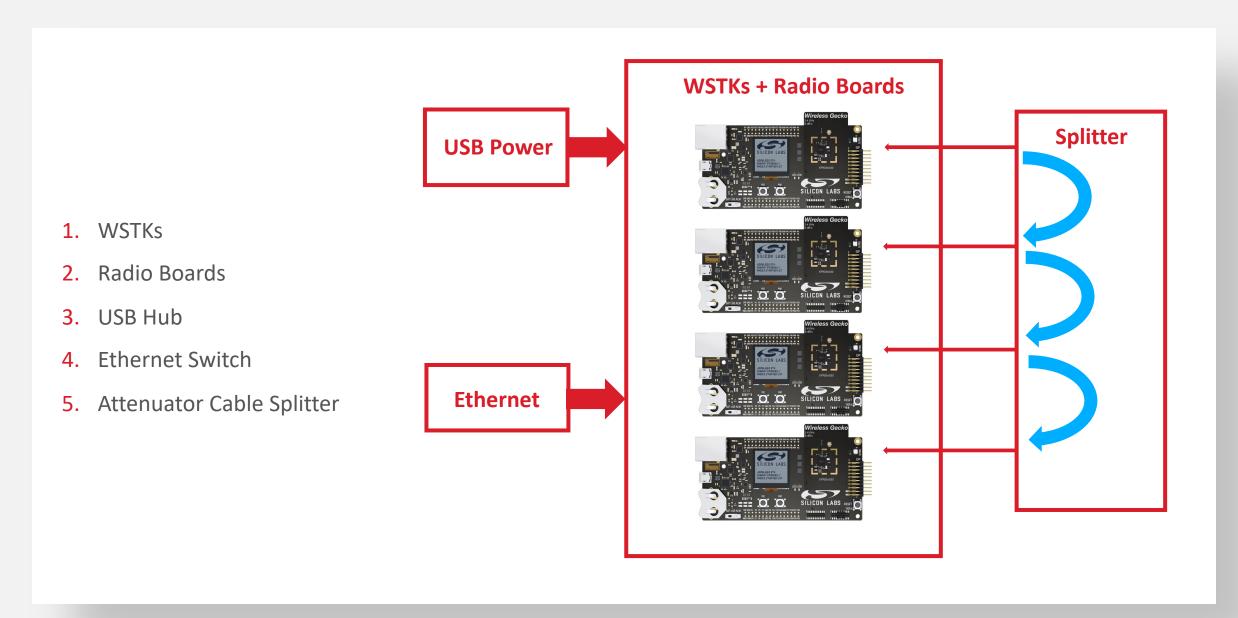
WSTKs connected to USB and ethernet **WSTKs** + Radio Boards **USB Power Ethernet**



Parts list

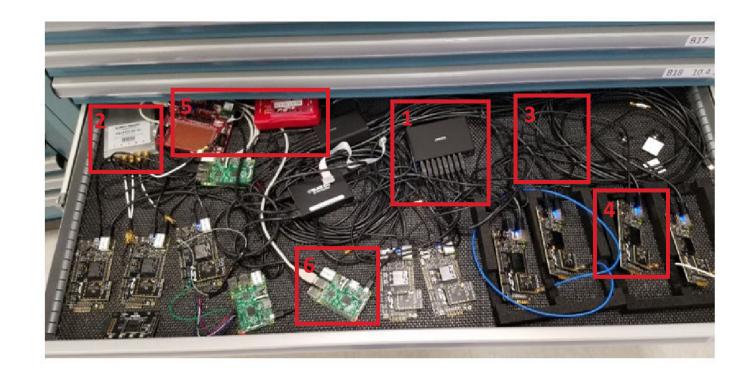
- <u>Hex Standoff 1-3/4" Nylon #4-40</u>
- <u>Hex Nut ¼" Nylon #4-40</u>
- Machine Screw Pan Phillips #4-40

SQA Testing Drawer



SQA Testing Drawer

- 1. USB Hub
- 2. Attenuator Cable Splitter
- 3. Ethernet Cables
- 4. WSTK
- 5. ISA3 and EM35x
- 6. Raspberry Pi



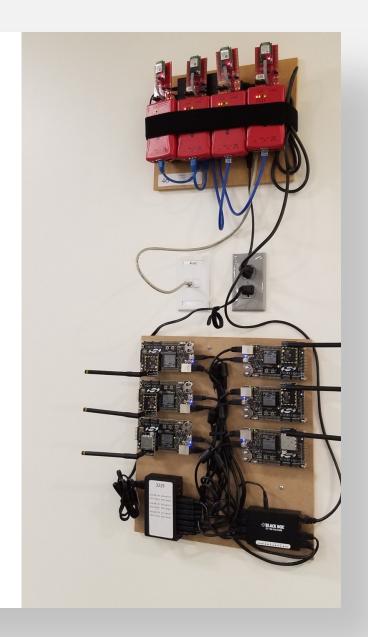
Parts list

- Connector from chip to SMA cables
- SMA cables
- SMA connects to power splitter
- Attenuators inline SMA (20 dBm example)
- <u>Terminators on unused power splitter ports</u> (to prevent RF bleeding)

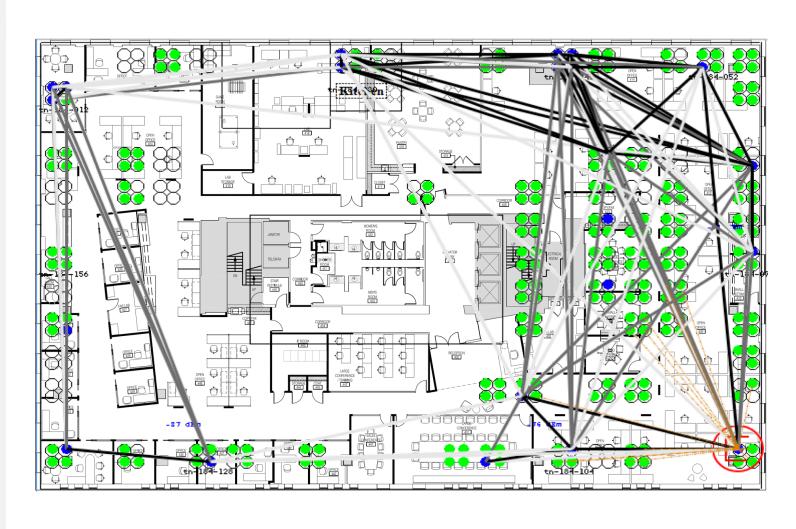
By default the output of the matching network is connected to the printed Inverted-F antenna by a series component.

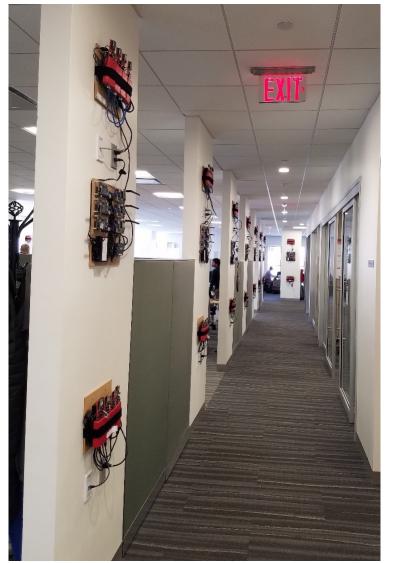
Silicon Labs Office Test Network

- 500+ node test network for QA and performance testing
- Ability to configure various network topologies
- Consists of device clusters spaced over entire office
- Controlled over Ethernet backchannel



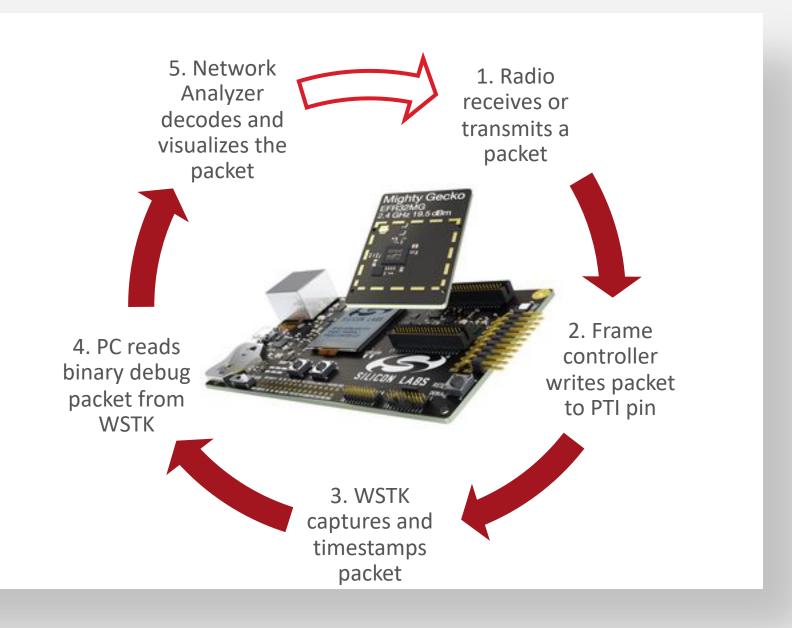
Where's my sniffer?



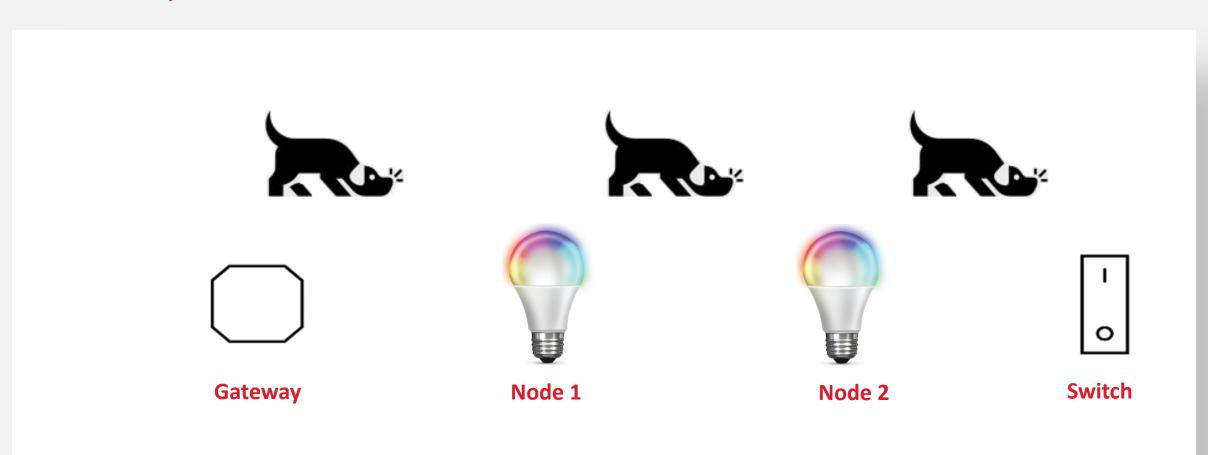


Packet Trace Interface (PTI)

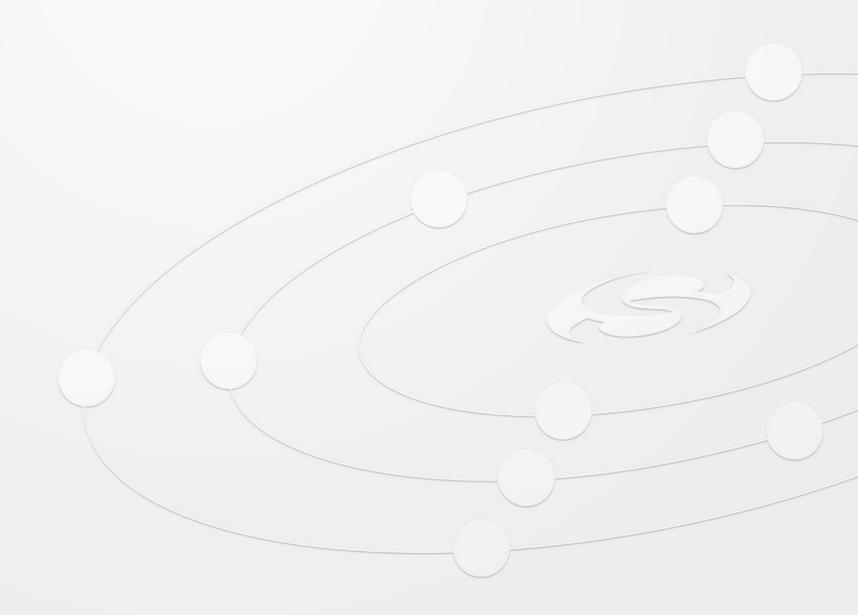
- Direct feedback from baseband radio
 - Raw TX and RX packet
 - Timestamp, RSSI, channel, protocol, etc.
- Implemented in hardware and radio sequencer
 - Dedicated UART/SPI interface
 - Zero overhead to Cortex code
- Captured and timestamped by Wireless Starter Kit (WSTK)



Direct capture with PTI vs Sniffer



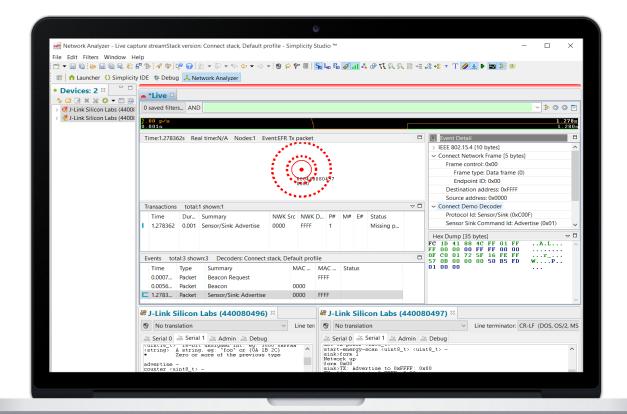
Software



A Common Platform

	Bluetooth ®		OPENTHREAD released by Google	2 zigbee	FLEX SDK Proprietary	
Application	Customer Application		Customer Application	Customer Application		
	GATT (profiles / services)	Mesh Models (e.g. lighting)	Application Layer (e.g. Project CHIP, OpenWeave, CoAP)	Application Profile (e.g. Zigbee 3.0, ZLL, SE)	Customer Application	
	Bluetooth B LE Core	Bluetooth Mesh Core	UDP	Zigbee Core Stack	Connect Stack	Customer Proprietary Stack
Network / Transport			IPv6, Mesh Routing			
Transport			6LoWPAN			
Link	Bluetooth Link Layer		IEEE 802.15.4 MAC	IEEE 802.15.4 MAC	IEEE 802.15.4 like MAC	Stack
Physical	Bluetooth PHY (2.4 GHz)		IEEE 802.15.4 PHY (2.4 GHz)	IEEE 802.15.4 PHY (2.4 GHz)	Proprietary PHY (2.4 GHz or Sub-GHz)	
	RAIL		RAIL	RAIL	RAIL	
Platform	Common Bootloader		Common Bootloader	Common Bootloader	Common Bootloader	

Network Analyzer

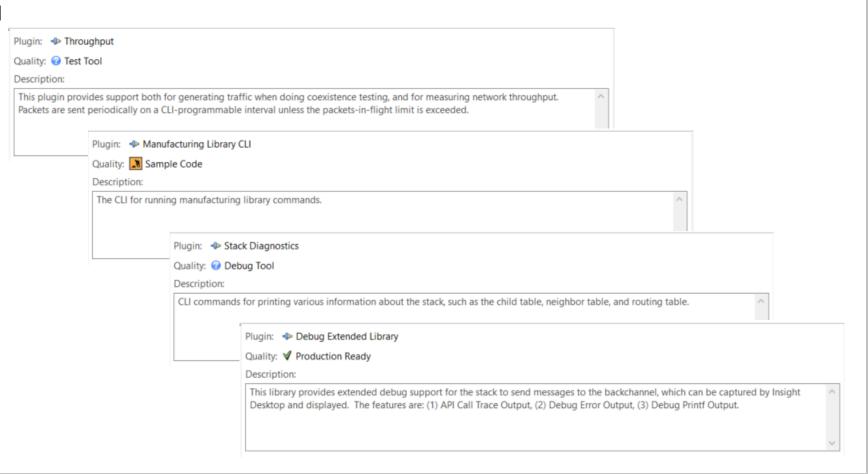


- Network-wide view of all packet activity
 - Correlates network traffic into events
 - Custom decoding and filtering options
 - Log files accelerate Silicon Labs support
- Uses unique Packet Trace Port feature
 - 2-wire interface
 - Outputs every packet TX/RX with link quality
 - Can be used to output application debug statements

Advanced system-wide network debug and support

Stack Software

- Plugins for Zigbee
 - Throughput
 - Manufacturing Library CLI
 - Stack Diagnostics
 - Debug Extended Library
- docs.silabs.com
 - App Framework CLI



IoT Utility Scripts

- Command-Line PTI Capture Utility (supported)
 - GitHub pti capture
 - Knowledge Base Article: Command-Line PTI Capture Utility
- Network testing Python Scripts (for fun)

```
szup@bl-helium:~/TechTalk$ java -jar silabs-pti-capture.jar -ip=10.4.180.142
INFO: 10.4.180.142:4905 =>> Connect.
null
[ 02 00 E5 1D AF 29 24 00 03 00 A6 19 ]
[ 02 00 06 1E AF 29 24 00 03 00 A7 22 40 ]
[ 02 00 2A 1E AF 29 24 00 03 00 A8 19 ]
[ 02 00 4F 1E AF 29 24 00 03 00 A9 22 40 ]
[ 02 00 73 1E AF 29 24 00 03 00 AA 19 ]
```

```
szup@bl-helium:~/TechTalk$ python send_message.py demo_csv/config_bind_report.csv
Debugging print disabled
Instruction print enabled
{'input_csv': 'demo_csv/config_bind_report.csv', 'debug': False, 'disable_print': False, 'logging_ip': None}
```



Prototyping test setup



Documentation

- Learn more at <u>www.silabs.com/mesh-peformance</u> or check out the following application notes:
 - AN1137: Bluetooth Mesh Network Performance
 - AN1138: Zigbee Mesh Network Performance
 - AN1141: Thread Mesh Network Performance
 - AN1142: Mesh Network Performance Comparison
- EFR32MG12 2.4 GHz 10 dBm Radio Board BRD4162A Reference Manual
- UG104: Testing and Debugging Applications for the Silicon Labs EM35x and EFR32MG Platforms

Summary

- Exercise products in expected conditions
 - Test for your use case
- PTI is our friend
- Silicon Labs offers hardware, software stack, and tools to get you up and running quickly
 - Tested in real environments

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