

Embedded Systems Laboratory

- **Using ARM Cortex M4**
- **From the Basics to Applications**
- **Internet of Things, Bluetooth**



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Why M4?

- Market share
- Complexity
- Parallelism
- Verification

Outline

1. Objectives

What do students need forever?

2. Approach → **5 Takeaways**

3. Courses, Books and Labs

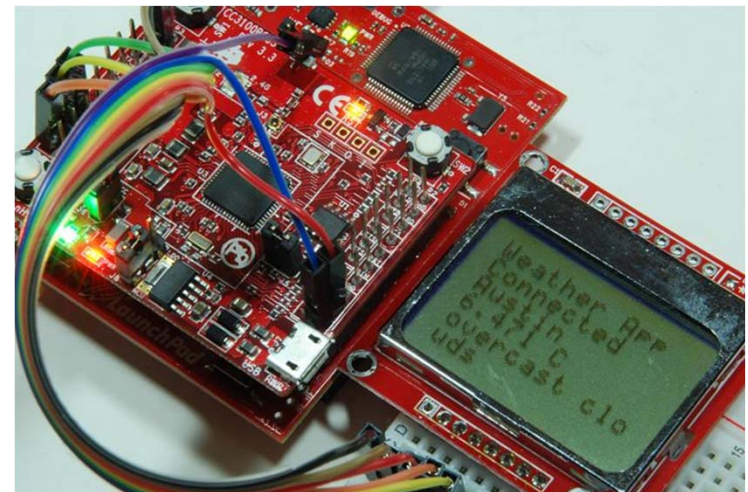
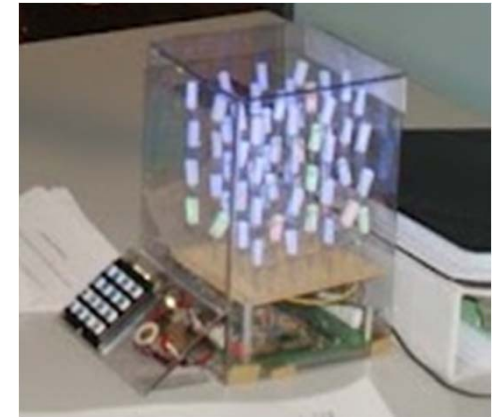
4. Successes → **Competitions**

5. Conclusions

6. BLE demonstration

Engineers make two things:

- Systems
- Interfaces between systems



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1. Educational Objectives

- **Outcomes, Measureables**
 - Career opportunities
 - Economic growth
 - Student feedback
- **Educational effectiveness**
 - Improved performance
 - Reduced resources
- **Educational team**



Why are we here?



EE

ME

Embedded Systems

BME

CS

2A. Takeaway: Bottom up (what?)

- **Bottom up: From simple to complex**
 - **Transistors → Gates → Computer → Systems**
 - **Assembly → C → Java/C++ → LabVIEW**
- **Abstraction**
 - **Understand → Put it in a box → Use the box**
- **Systems**
 - **Take two systems → Connect → New system+**

2B. Takeaway: See one, do one, teach one

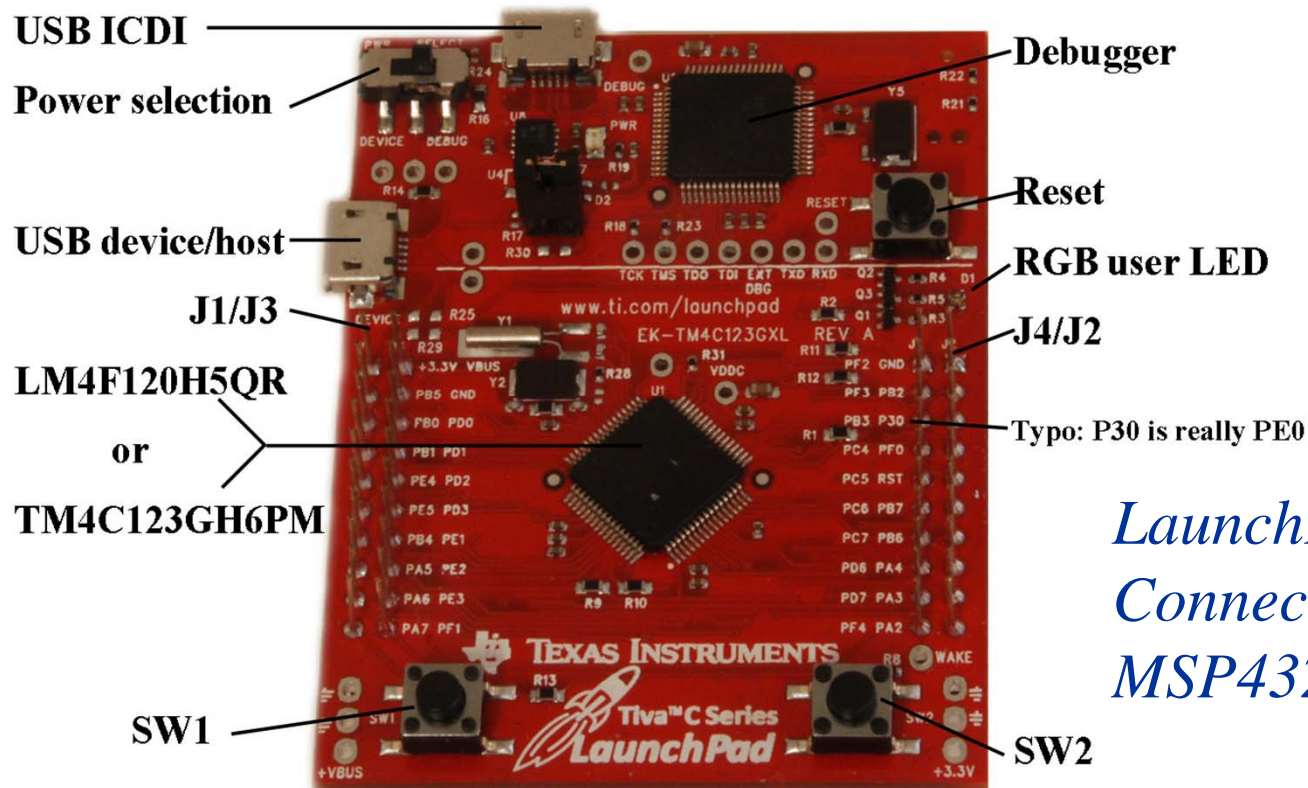
Students learn by doing

- **Equipment must work**
- **Assignments must be clear**
- **Tasks support learning objectives**
- **Professors must do labs**

Students learn by teaching

2C. Takeaway: Empower Students

- Students should have their own board



LaunchPad \$13
Connected LP \$20
MSP432 \$13

2C Takeaway: Empower Students

Students need to learn outside of lab

- **Students should have their own DVM**
- **Show labs to friends and parents**
- **Encourage them to work beyond lab**
 - **Find sources of free parts**
 - **Give simple stuff away**
- **Mentor their careers**
 - **Job versus grad school**
 - **Online presence**

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2D. Takeaway: Structure vs Flexibility

Pedagogy: students learn differently

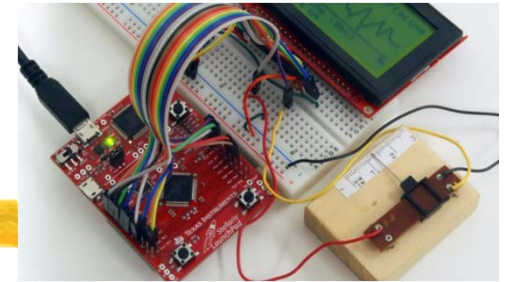
- **Remove fear of failure**
- **Some need structure**
 - **Demonstrate working labs**
- **Some thrive on open ended design**
 - **Let students negotiate deliverables**
- **Allow for extra credit**
- **Create an open-ended design lab**

2E. Takeaway: Team-approach

It takes a village to educate

- **Empower the TAs**
 - Invite them into the decision circle
- **Empower the staff**
 - Invite them into the decision circle
- **Make excuses to show off projects**
 - Chairman, Dean, Newspaper
 - Promote your students

3. Courses, Books and Labs



Introduction to Embedded Systems

Freshman, MOOC

System Level Design

Junior, PCB, IoT

Real-time Operating Systems

Senior/grad, CAN, Robot

- Cortex-M4
- serial, SPI, ADC,
- timer, PWM, DMA
- interrupt controller
- JTAG debugger
- floating point

EK-TM4C123GXL, 43 I/O pins, 32k RAM, 256k ROM, 80 MHz, USB, CAN	\$13
EK-TM4C1294XL, 90 I/O pins, 256k RAM, 1M ROM, 120 MHz, Ethernet	\$20
MSP-EXP432P401R, 67 I/O pins, 64k RAM, 256k ROM, 48 MHz, low power	\$13

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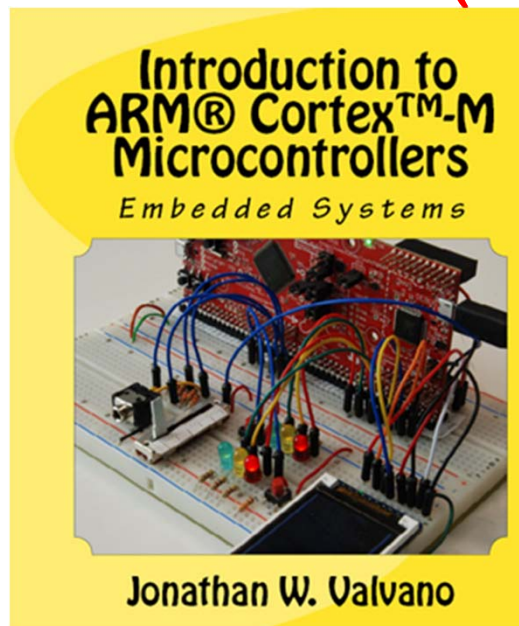
3. Applications

- **Compiler, Simulator, Debugger**
 - Texas Instruments Code Composer Studio
 - Keil uVision
 - TExaS (*simulation, grading, scope*)
- **Circuit design and PCB layout**
 - PCB Artist
 - Eagle (100 by 80 mm, 2 layers)
- **Design tools**
 - Texas Instruments Filter Pro

(bottom-up)

3. Introduction to Embedded Systems

Volume 1 (freshmen EE or BME)



- Assembly or C programming
- Design and Debugging
 - Simulation, logic analyzer, scope

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7600 sold 505 pages, \$41

- Switches and LEDs
- Design and Debugging
- Finite State Machine
- Interrupts
- DAC output
- LCD graphics interface
- Fixed-point
- ADC input
- UART and distributed
- Capstone design
 - video game

Embedded Systems – Shape the World

- What is and isn't a MOOC?

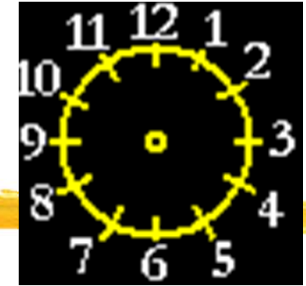
- Spring 2014, 2015, 2016
- over 100,000 enrolled
- over 2 million video hits
- over 7% got certificates
- 2/3 who started, finished
- 95% approval rate



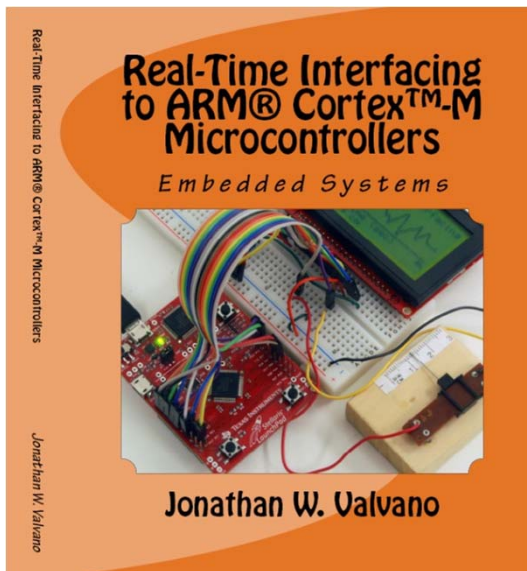
- Lab kit **Physical kit increased completion rates**
- Teaching videos **Tue. 6/28, 4:45-6:15pm, Room 337**
- LaunchPad simulator, graders, voltmeter, scope
- Today's BLE demo is a MOOC lab

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3. Interfacing and Systems



Volume 2 (junior EE)



- Graphics device driver
- Alarm clock
- Stepper or DC motor
- Music player
- Temperature acquisition
- Wifi and IoT
- Capstone design
 - open ended
 - PCB
 - Power

- Hardware/software debugging
- Design and debugging
- Analog, power, computer *Kindle version*

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3800 sold 600 pages, \$40

3. Real-Time Operating Systems

Volume 3 (senior/grad EE)



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2500 sold

- Memory manager, device driver
- Thread switching RTOS
- Blocking semaphores
- Priority scheduler
- Digital and analog filters, FFT
- Digital control systems
- File system
- CAN or Ethernet network
- Autonomous robot racing

MOOC starting 9/2016 on edX

<http://ow.ly/ophC301Aa0p>

447 pages, \$34

3. Support for teaching

Web site (download and edit)

- Examples for TM4C123, TM4C1294, MSP432
- PowerPoint slides
- Lab manual, data sheets
- <http://users.ece.utexas.edu/~valvano/>

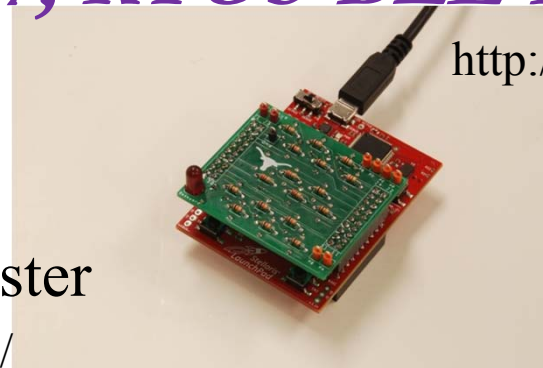
edX: Intro Spring 2017, RTOS-BLE Fall 2016

Launchpad tester

Adopt a book →

Free parts for LaunchPad tester

<http://users.ece.utexas.edu/~valvano/arm/tester/>



<http://ow.ly/ophC301Aa0p>

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4. Successes: Competitions

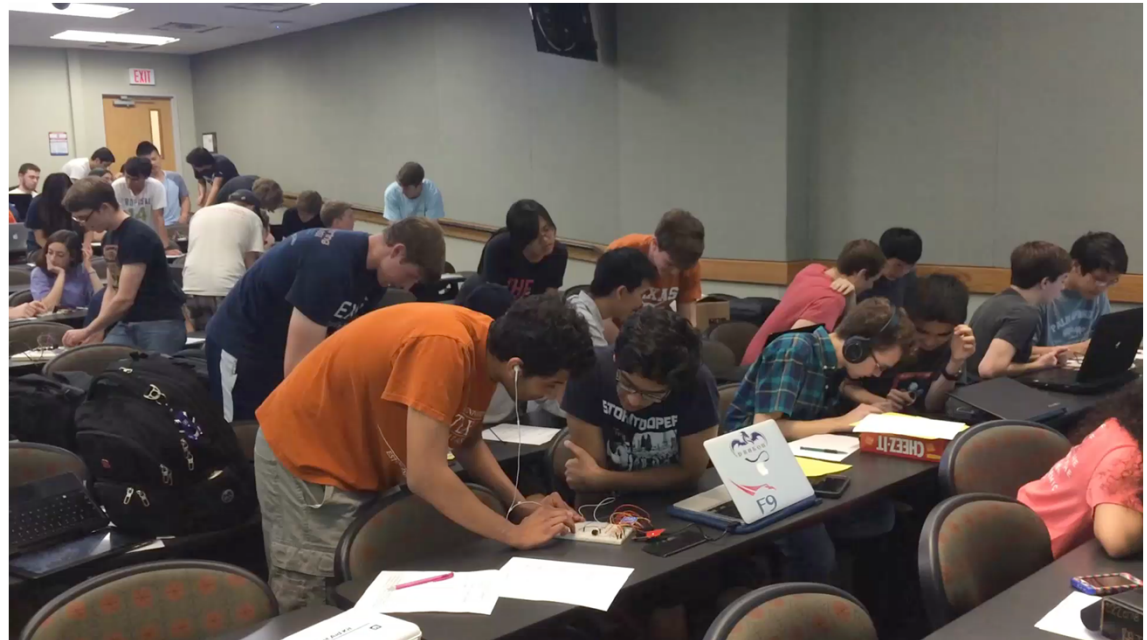
Students need to appreciate relevance

- **Appropriate use of teams**
- **Build things that are fun to play with**
 - **Show off to friends, family, interviewers**
- **Competitions**
 - **Fun, intense**
- **Open-ended**
 - **Creativity, life-long learning, springboard**

4. Competition

Volume 1 (freshmen EE or BME)

- Handheld game
- Peer review
- Teams of 2



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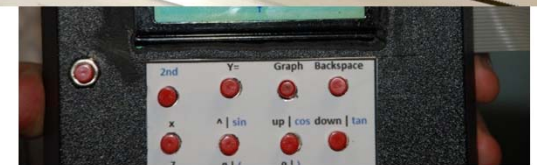
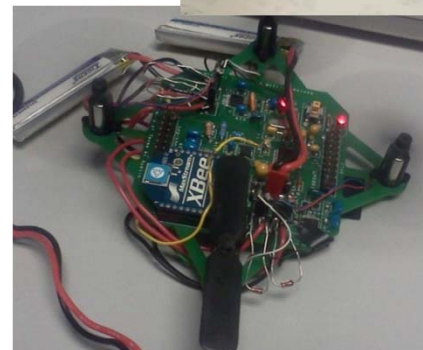
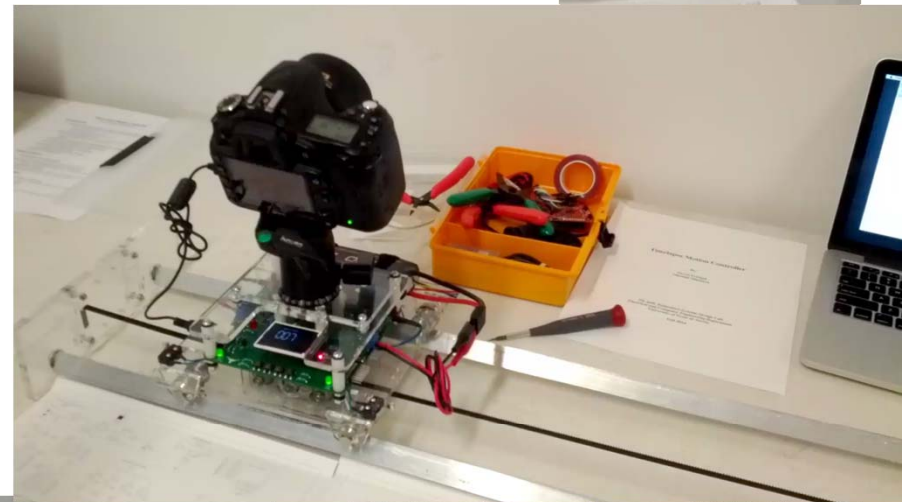
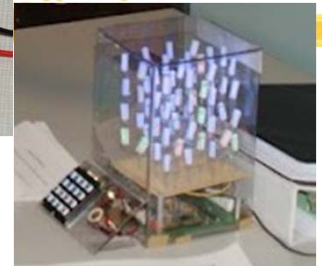
<http://youtu.be/QxDQUUDStOw>

http://youtu.be/z6_jlM2Y5qI

4. Competition

Volume 2 (junior EE)

- Requirements document
- Design cycle
- Design for test
- Systems Engineering
- Verification



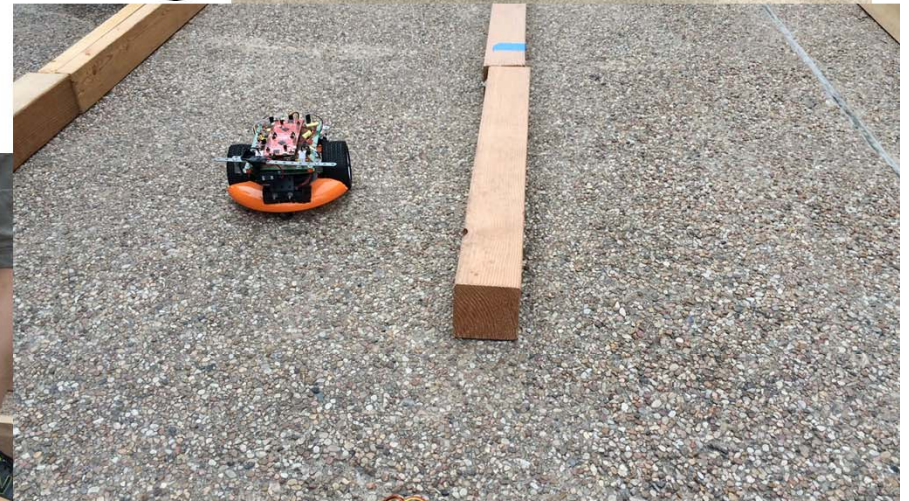
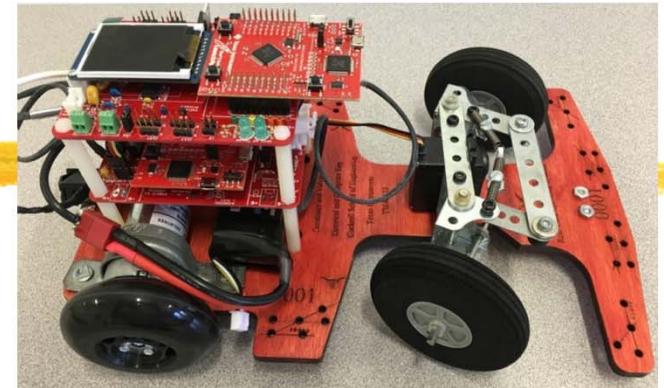
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K9FD50qpGwg>

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4. Competitions

Volume 3 (senior/grad EE)

- Autonomous Robot Racing
- Teams of four

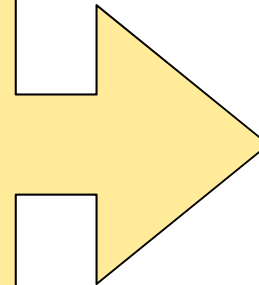


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<http://youtu.be/bZ1fXtN1T08>
<http://youtu.be/GKctvlyprAQ>

5. Conclusions

- Bottom-up
- Lab-centered
- Empower students
- Motivate students
- Be flexible
- Be a team builder
- Make a plan and do it



Understanding
Design
Innovation

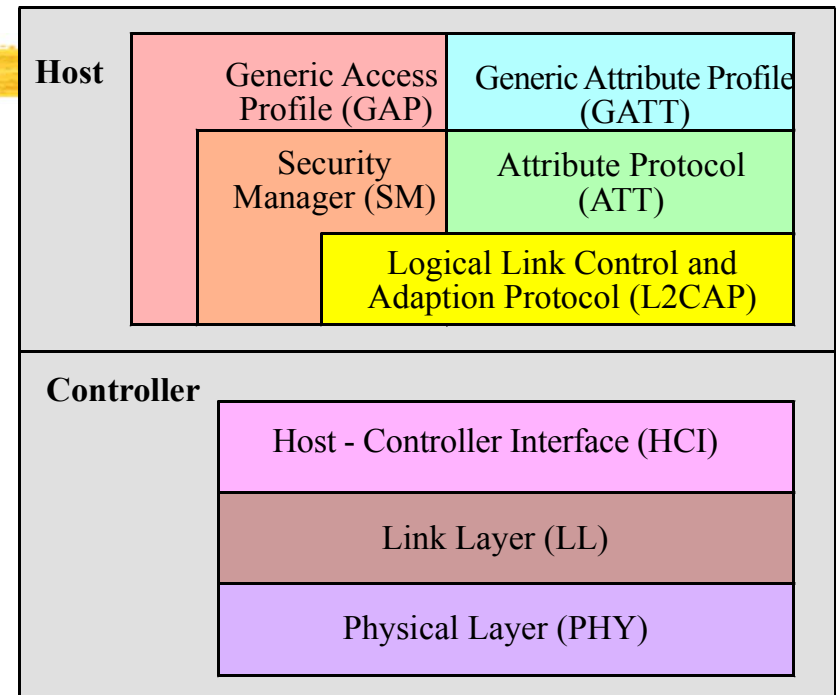
6. BLE demonstration

- Code Composer Studio
- TExaSdisplay
- MSP432 LaunchPad
- MK-II Booster Pack
- CC2560 LaunchPad

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- VerySimpleApplicationProcessor_MSP432
- ApplicationProcessor_MSP432
- Lab6_MSP432, Lab3_MSP432

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6. BLE demonstration overview

- **Install drivers**
 - **Device Manager**
- **Configure Code Composer Studio**
 - **Import examples into workspace**
- **Very simple application processor**
 - **Services, characteristics advertising**
- **Simple application processor**
 - **Data communication**
- **Labs 3, 6 Fitness device, RTOS, BLE**



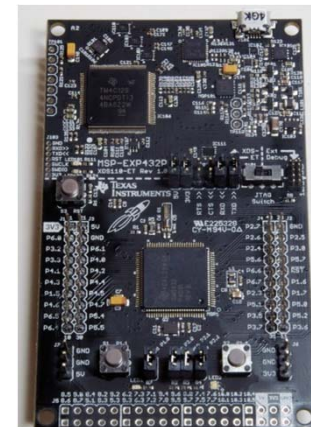
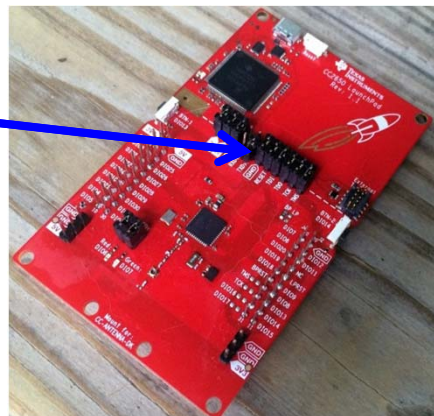
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6. CC2650

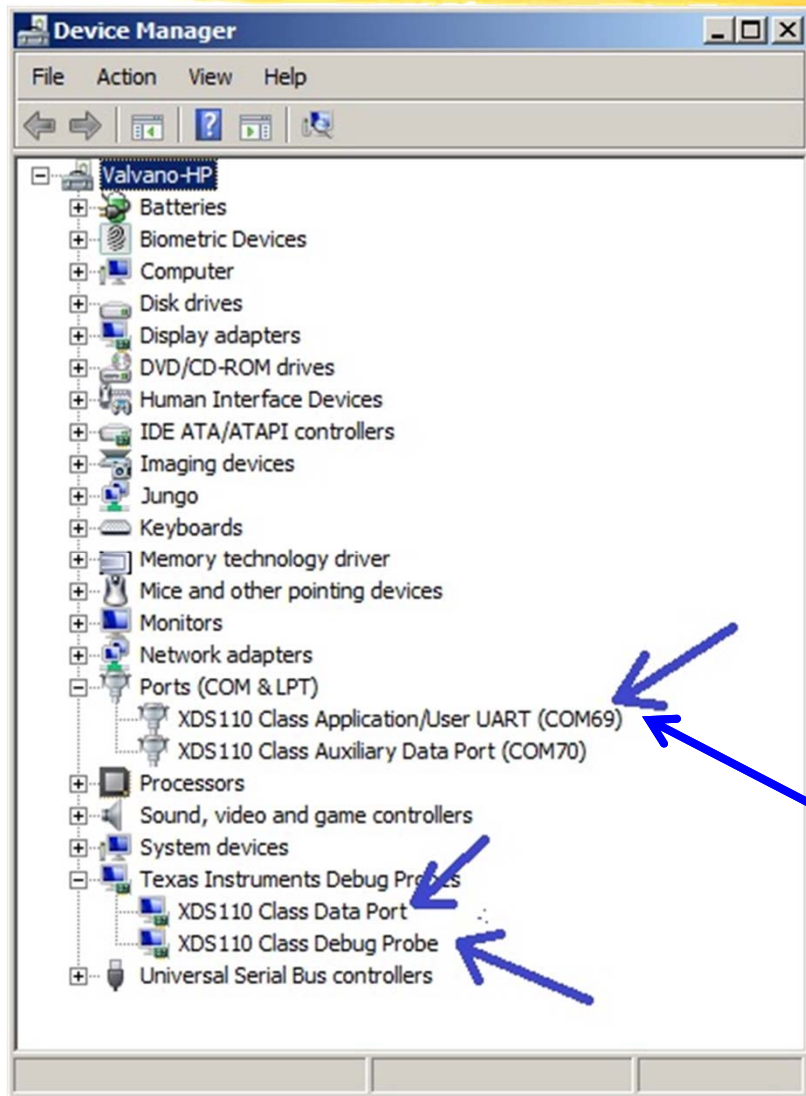
```
// Pin          CC2650LP          MSP432
// J1.3  UART    DIO3_TXD    -> RxD P3.2
// J1.4  UART    DIO2_RXD    <- TxD P3.3
// J2-14 MRDY    DIO8 in     <- P1.7 out
// J2-12 SRDY    DIO14 out   -> P5.2 in
// J4.35 Reset  H/W reset  <- P6.7 out
// J1.1  3.3V    3.3V in     <- 3.3V out
// J2.20 gnd     gnd         gnd
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Remove jumpers
on CC2650 LP
for RxD and TxD

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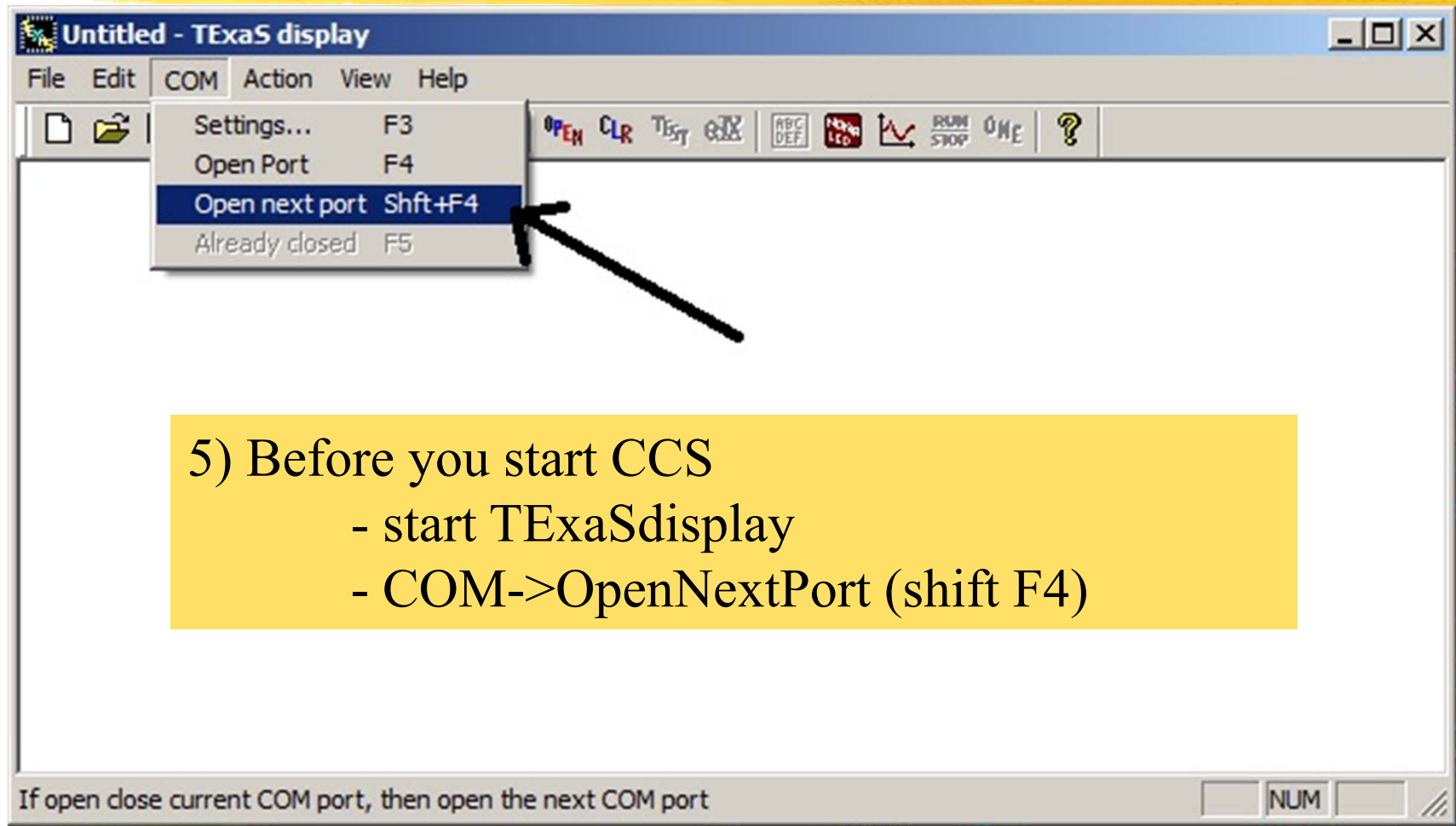


6. MSP432 drivers



- 0) Unpack three boards
- 1) Connect three boards
MK-II on top
MSP432 LaunchPad in middle
CC2650 on bottom
- 2) Open **Device Manager**
- 3) Connect LaunchPad USB to PC and power up the two boards
- 4) Watch installation
 - Look for first XDS110 COM port
 - Class Application/User UART

6. TExaSdisplay

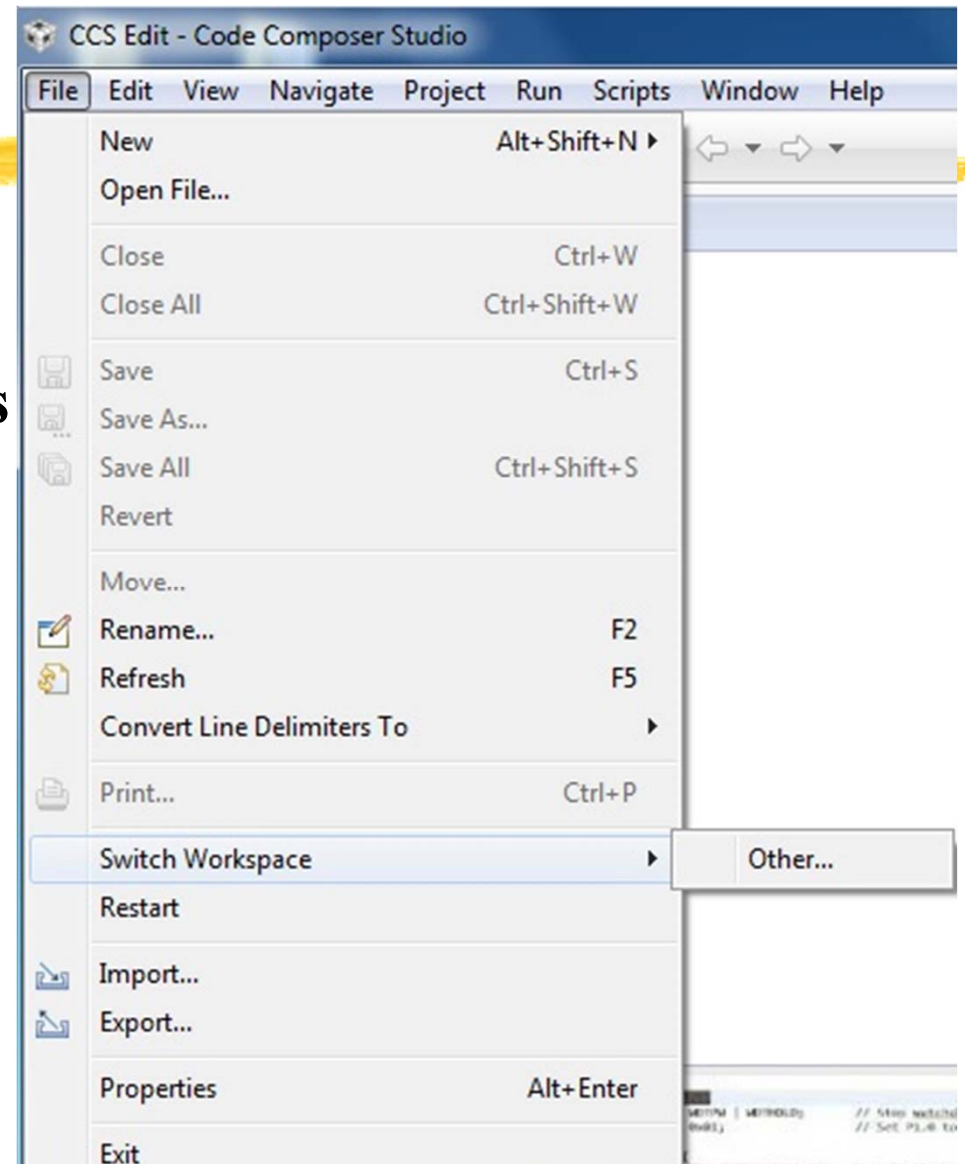


- 5) Before you start CCS
- start TExaSdisplay
 - COM->OpenNextPort (shift F4)

6. Configure CCS

6) Start CCS

7) If you do not see my projects
File->Switch Workspace
choose Other...

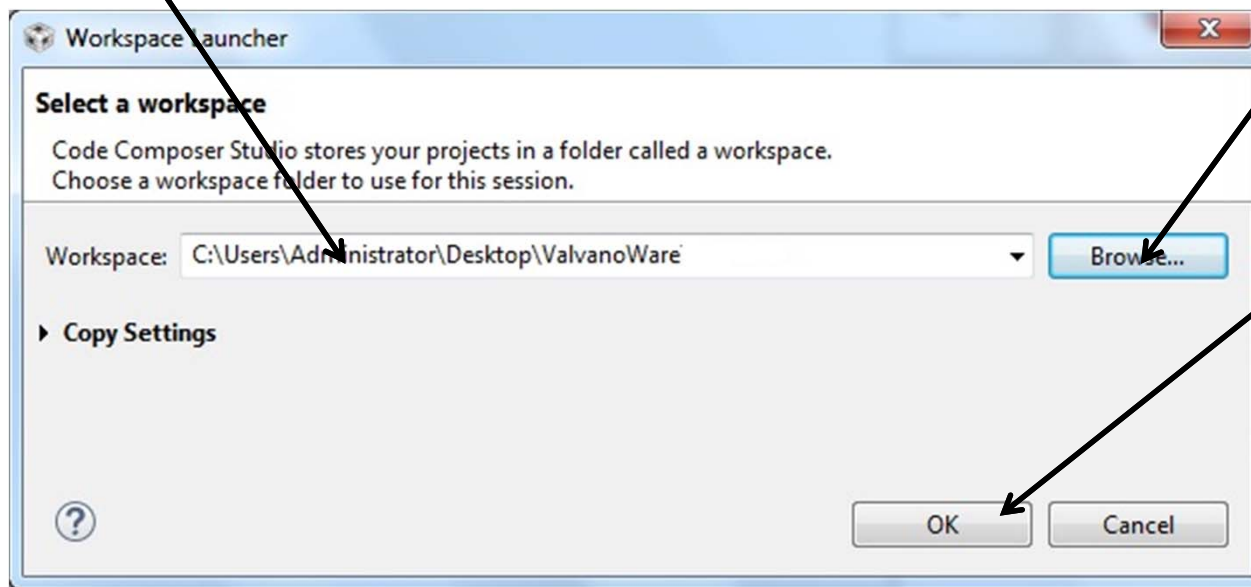


6. Configure CCS

1) Browse

8) Select

C:\Users\Administrator\Desktop\ValvanoWare



3) Ok

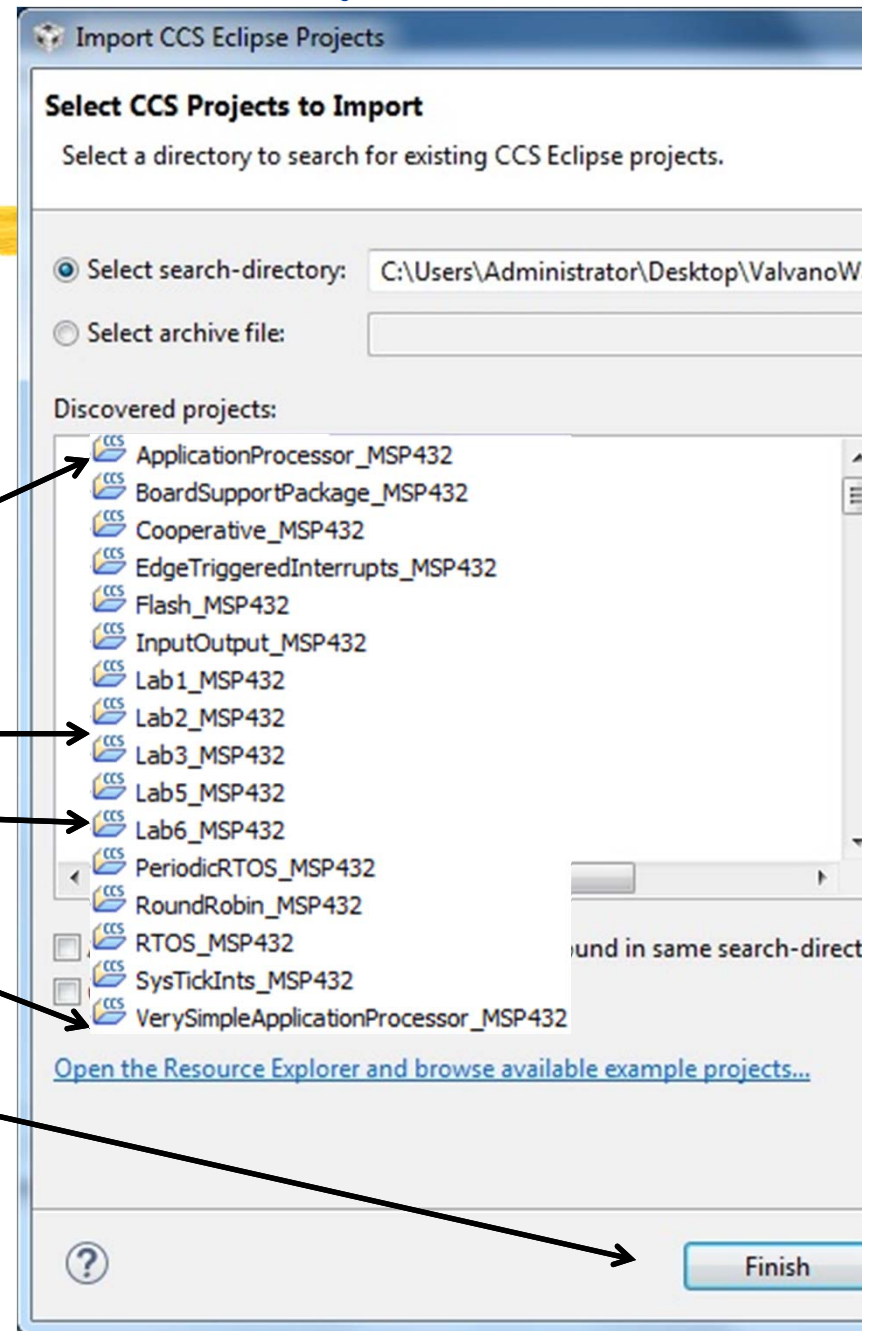
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9) If you do not see my projects
File->Import

10) Click
ApplicationProcessor_MSP432
Lab3_MSP432
Lab6_MSP432
VerySimpleApplicationProcessor_MSP432

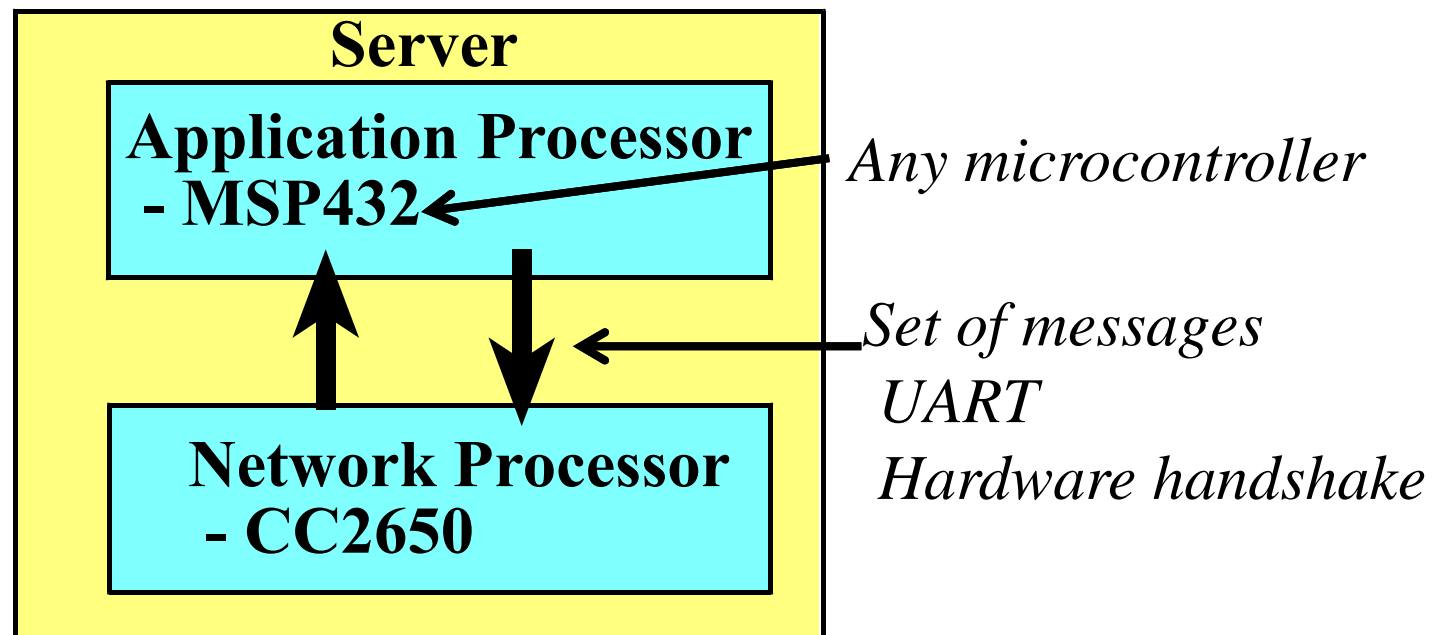
11) Click Finish

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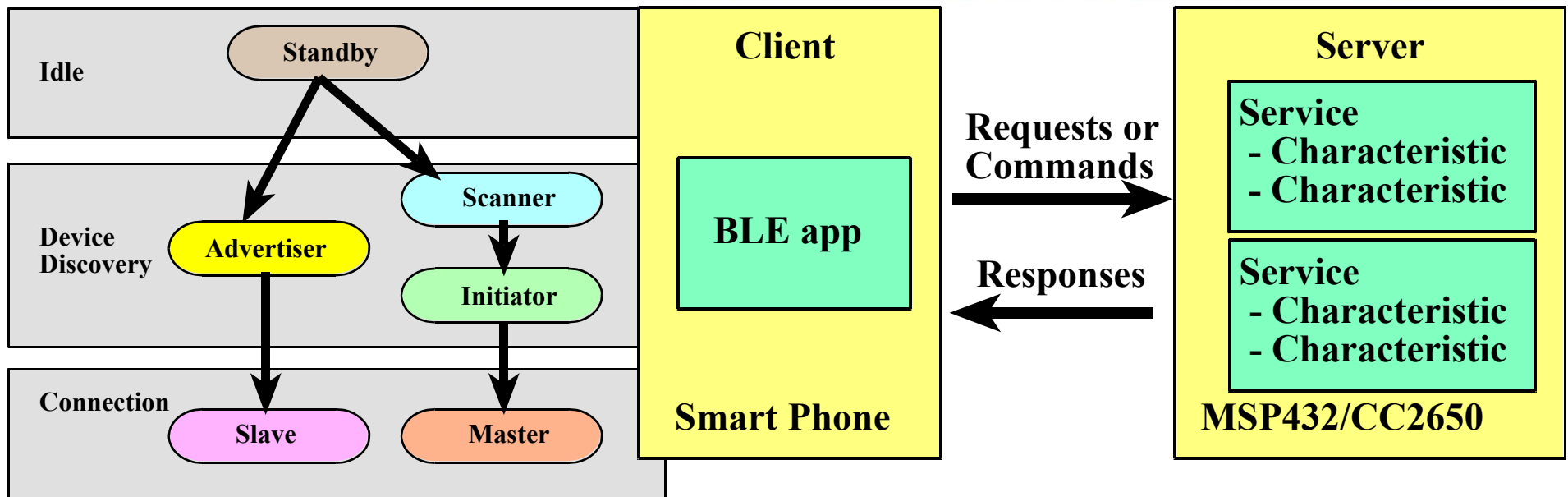


6. VerySimpleApplicationProcessor

- 12) Click on **VerySimpleApplicationProcessor_MSP432** project
- 13) Open **VerySimpleApplicationProcessor.c** and edit lines 88, 96
 - Change '0', '0', '1' to the three digit number on your handout



6. VerySimpleApplicationProcessor



Characteristic1: lines 159-176 (R/W)

Characteristic2: lines 177-194 (R)

Characteristic3: lines 212-229 (W)

Characteristic4: lines 230-248 (notify)

6. VerySimpleApplicationProcessor

14) Compile **Click on Hammer**

15) Download and start debugger **Run->Debug**

16) Run the program, observe messages between MSP432/CC2650

- TExaSdisplay shows SAP ↔ SNP messages

17) Observe behavior on cell phone

For Android run **BLE scanner** from Bluepixel

For iPhone run **LightBlue Explorer** from PunchThrough

- Connect

- Read characteristic1

- Write characteristic1

When done, quit CCS debugger

6. SimpleApplicationProcessor

- 18) Click on **SimpleApplicationProcessor_MSP432** project
- 19) Open **AP.c** and edit lines 194, 202
 - Change '0', '0', '1' to the three digit number on your handout
- 20) Look at main in **ApplicationProcessor.c**
 - Setting characteristics, hooks, variables
- 21) Compile **Click on Hammer**
- 22) Download and start debugger **Run->Debug**
- 23) Run the program, observe messages between MSP432/CC2650
- 24) Observe behavior on cell phone (turn iPhone on and off)
 - Connect
 - Read **HalfWordData** (switches)
 - Write **WordData** (bottom three bits to LED)
 - Activate Notify on **Button1**

When done, quit CCS debugger

6. Logic Analyzer

- 25) Quit TExaSdisplay, unplug LaunchPad USB
- 26) Add MK-II Booster
- 27) Plug LaunchPad USB
- 28) Start TExaSdisplay, COM->OpenNextPort (shift F4)
- 29) In CCS, click on **Lab3_MSP432** project
- 30) Open **Lab3.c** and edit lines 1247,1248
 - include line 1248 to activate logic analyzer
- 31) Look at main in **Lab3.c**
 - Personal fitness device with RTOS
- 32) Compile **Click on Hammer**
- 33) Download and start debugger **Run->Debug**
- 34) Run the program
- 35) Observe profile on Logic analyzer
 - F6 to zoom out, F7 to zoom in



6. Lab 6, Fitness, RTOS, BLE

- 36) Click on **Lab6_MSP432** project
- 37) Open **AP.c** and edit lines 194, 202
 - Change '0', '0', '1' to the three digit number on your handout
- 38) Look at main in **Lab6.c**
 - Lines 789-841 configure Bluetooth
 - Lines 466-476 run Bluetooth processing, and notifications
- 39) Compile **Click on Hammer**
- 40) Download and start debugger **Run->Debug**
- 41) Run the program, observe messages between MSP432/CC2650
- 42) Observe behavior on cell phone (turn iPhone on and off)
 - Connect
 - Read Light, Sound, Temperature
 - Activate Notify on NumSteps

7. Interesting web sites

Valvano Example code

<http://users.ece.utexas.edu/~valvano/arm/>

<http://tinyurl.com/nuq4zpx> (CCS projects)

TI Example code

<http://www.ti.com/tool/sw-ek-tm4c123gxl>

<http://www.ti.com/tool/ek-tm4c123gxl>

Free samples

<http://www.ladyada.net/library/procure/samples.html>

Compilers

<http://www.ti.com/tool/ccstudio>

<http://www.keil.com/arm/mdk.asp>

7. For more information

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EE445L Interfacing and systems

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<https://www.edx.org/course/embedded-systems-shape-world-utaustinx-ut-6-03x>

<http://edx-org-utaustinx.s3.amazonaws.com/UT601x/index.html/>

<http://users.ece.utexas.edu/~valvano/Volume1/E-Book/VideoLinks.htm>

<http://edx-org-utaustinx.s3.amazonaws.com/UT601x/RTOS.html>

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