

Enable BDE-BW3301NP1 with AM243x

1. Description

This guide describes how to enable the BDE-BW3301NP1 module with TI's Sitara[™] high performace MCU AM243x series. Below are the instructions for building and running the Wi-Fi example (named Network Terminal) from the CC33xx MCU package. The MCU package is a plugin which is based on content (such as TI drivers for peripherals, LWIP network stack, FreeRTOS OS adaptation) available in the base SDK (MCU-PLUS-AM243X-SDK).

2. Get Ready

2.1. Software and Tools

- MCU-PLUS-AM243X-SDK (version 08.00.00.21)
- CC33XX-MCU-Package (Need to gain access from BDE)
- CCS 10.3 and up
- TI_Clang 1.3.0 LTS
- Python 3.7 (see instructions in Sitara[™] LP Manual)

2.2. Hardware

- BDE-BW3301NP1 module
- BDE-EVM-3301NP1
- ► <u>LP-AM243</u>

3. MCU-Package Folder Structure

- **docs/** User guides and API references
- > examples/ Example applications
 - CC3xx_thick_mac_network_terminal
- **source/** Drivers and libraries source code and pre-built images
 - cc33xx driver is under source/ti/drivers/net/wifi_host_driver
 - Bluetopia BLE stack is under source/ti/bluetopia
- tools/ -
 - programing flash programming (Python) scripts
 - cc33xx_firmware

4. Setup - Sitara[™] AM243x and BDE-EVM-3301NP1

For Information on the Sitara[™] LaunchPad please refer to <u>LP-AM243_EVM-SETUP</u>.

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Plug the BDE-EVM-3301NP1 to the Sitara™ LaunchPad LP-AM243. When connecting the boards please remember to check the alignment of the 5V and GND pins of both boards to ensure right connection.



The table below shows the connections being made between the AM243x Launchpad and the BDE-EVM-3301NP1:

LP-AM243 Pin	BDE-EVM-3301NP1	Description
21	P2.11	5V
22	P2.12	GND
3	P2.3	LP-AM243:RX / BDE-EVM-3301NP1: TX
4	P2.4	LP-AM243:TX / BDE-EVM-3301NP1: RX
5	P2.5	nRESET
7	P2.7	SPI CLK
8	P2.8	WLAN IRQ
14	P1.17	SPI MISO
15	P1.16	SPI MOSI
18	P1.13	SPI CS
36	P1.5	BDE-EVM3301NP: CTS
37	P1.4	BDE-EVM3301NP: RTS

Power Connections:

a. Connect the LP-AM243 to its power supply and to the PC.

b. When Disconnecting/Connecting the LP-AM243, always make sure you do it in the following sequence:

PLUG IN	Connect Power (USB-C), then Connect Data (micro USB)
PLUG OUT	Disconnect Data (Micro USB), then Disconnect Power (USB-C)



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5. Import projects and compile in CCS

- Go to File->Import
- Choose C/C++ -> CCS Projects
- Browse··· -> <CC33xx_MCU_package>/
- Choose both wifi_driver and CC3xx_thick_mac_network_terminal
- > First compile the **wifi_driver** project, then compile the **network_terminal** application

6. Program the Flash

Before running the example, the RAM bootloader, CC33xx Firmware and Static Calibration data file need to be programmed to the flash on the AM243. The content of the 3 files can be found under <<u>CC33xx_MCU_package>/tools/cc33xx_firmware/</u>.

- 1. The image is loaded and executed from the AM243x MSRAM. To save RAM space the binaries are stored in the flash and read during the FW init.
- 2. The binaries should be programmed to a pre-defined offsets in the flash, as shown below:

Binary Name	Description	Location	Offset
<app-name>.appimage</app-name>	Application Image(see 3)	under app project output folder	0x00080000
cc33xx_fw.bin	CC33XX Firmware	under tools/cc33xx_firmware/	0x00800000
cc33xx_2nd_loader.bin	RAM Bootloader	under tools/cc33xx_firmware/	0x00900000
Static_calibration.bin	Static Calibration info (see 5)	under tools/cc33xx_firmware/	0x00a00000

- 3. The application image are executed from flash (see run from flash).
- 4. After a successful compilation of the application, the binary image (.appimage file, e.g. cc3xxx_network_terminal.appimage) can be found in the Release/ (or Debug/) folder inside the project.
- 5. The Static Calibration is a temporary patch. It should be used until the run-time calibrations be functional.

7. Programming Instructions

1. Configure the LaunchPad to UART boot according to <u>AM243x UART Boot Mode</u>.



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- 2. Browse to <CC33xx_MCU_package>/tools/programing in a command line.
- 3. Set up the programmer's configuration file (if needed, see below)

In the **tools/programming/**, there is a pre-configured file:

program_application_and_wifi_fw.cfg - contains both the Firmware binaries and the application image.

The configuration files will just work when the programming script is executed from the tools/programming/ folder (see step 4).

All the paths are based on default locations of the files inside the SDK folder structure. When changing any of the default configuration (e.g. using an application other than the reference one or trying to use a special firmware binary that was not part of the SDK), you may need to manually edit the program_application_and_wifi_fw.cfg file and update the file path.

- 4. Run the uart_uniflash.py python script:
 - In Windows:

- > python uart_uniflash.py -p COM[XDS uart number] --cfg=<config-file-edited-in-step-3>.cfg

➢ In Linux:

- \$ python3 uart_uniflash.py -p /dev/ttyACM[XDS uart number] --cfg=<config-file-edited-instep-3>.cfg

> example:

- >python uart_uniflash.py -p COM28 --cfg=program_application_and_wifi_fw.cfg

Below is a screenshot of a successful execution:



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8. Run the example from flash

When loading the code from flash (make sure to follow step 4 in the Programing instructions), configure the LP for <u>AM243x QSPI Boot Mode</u>.



- 1. Open a serial terminal.
- 2. Pressing the reset button on the LaunchPad, this will trigger the application.

The following menu should appear on the terminal.

Starting OSPI Bootloader					
DMSC Firmware Version 21.5.0v2021.05 (Terrific Llam DMSC Firmware revision 0x15 DMSC ABI revision 3.1					
<pre>INF0: Bootloader_loadSelfCpu:199: CPU r5f0-0 is initialized to 800000000 Hz !!! INF0: Bootloader_loadSelfCpu:199: CPU r5f0-1 is initialized to 800000000 Hz !!! INF0: Bootloader_runCpu:147: CPU m4f0-0 is initialized to 400000000 Hz !!! INF0: Bootloader_runCpu:147: CPU r5f1-0 is initialized to 800000000 Hz !!! INF0: Bootloader_runSelfCpu:216: All done, reseting self Starting FW download ********************************</pre>					
Available commands:					
help wlan_sta_role_up wlan_scan wlan_set_ps recv 	clear wlan_sta_role_down wlan_get_mac wlan_start socket_show	wlan_ap_role_up wlan_connect wlan_set_mac wlan_stop kill	wlan_ap_role_down wlan_disconnect wlan_get_ps send		
user:					

- > Type help to show this help menu.
- > Type the name of a command to show the required parameters.
- The role (AP or station) should be started before any other command, e.g. with wlan_sta_role_up or wlan_ap_role_up (only one role can be up at a single time).
- Starting an access-point will enable mobile devices to connect to the module.
- Starting a station role will enable commands such as scan and wlan_connect.
- > Once connected to an access point, you can use send and receive.

By now, you should have successfully enabled the module on AM243x.



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9. Revision History

Revision	Date	Description
V0.1	25-July-2023	Preliminary version, draft

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