

Cypress Academy WICED Bluetooth 101



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For me, Cypress has always been about the people. Greg and I have now been friends for more than half of our lives and there is not a day that goes by that I am not grateful for that friendship as well as his engineering abilities. Together we have put our hearts and souls into making this book a reality.

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The IoT is a once in a generation opportunity for which Cypress is almost uniquely suited to take advantage of. We have the right chips, software, people and leadership to be a transformational force. It is our sincere hope that this book eases your journey to that place of greatness.

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