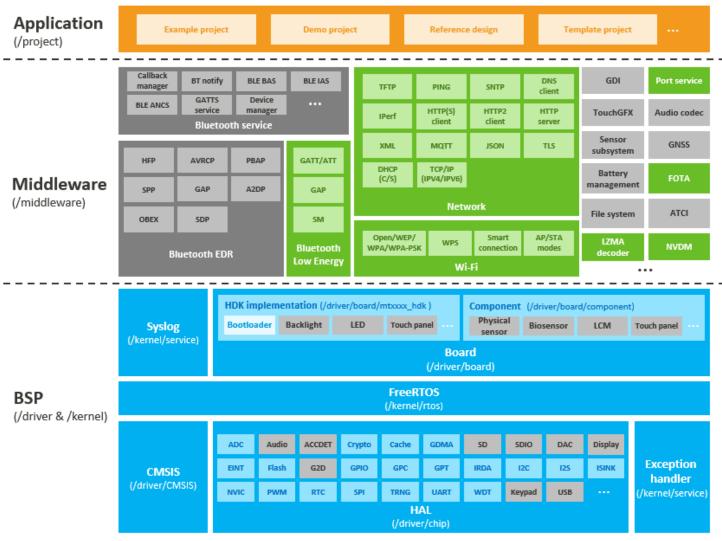
Introduction

Overview

MediaTek LinkIt™ Development Platform for RTOS provides a comprehensive software solution for devices based on the MediaTek MT7697 SOC, including the MT7697 hardware development kit (HDK). The platform supports hardware abstraction layers, peripheral drivers, FreeRTOS, Wi-Fi, light weight IP (IwIP) and Bluetooth Low Energy modules. This API reference describes the features of and how to use the APIs for each of the supported modules. Each module has a readme.txt under the module root directory. It contains the information about the module dependency, feature options, notes and brief introduction. Please refer to the readme.txt to learn the basic usage of the module.

Architecture

LinkIt™ SDK for RTOS consists of several software modules, as shown below:



Modules shown in gray color are not supported by MT7697

There are three layers for the architecture:

- Drivers
 - Hardware drivers provide peripheral drivers for the development platform, such as ADC, I2S, I2C, SPI, RTC, GPIO, UART, Flash, Security Engine, TRNG, GDMA, PWM, WTD and IRDA TX/RX.

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- Hardware Abstraction Layer (HAL) provides driver Application Programming Interface (API) encapsulating low-level functions of peripheral drivers for the operating system (OS), middleware features and applications.
- FreeRTOS provides real-time OS with open source software for middleware features and projects.

Middleware

- Wi-Fi provides OS dependent function calls, including Wi-Fi APIs that control the bridge supplicant and network processor messages.
- BLE provides stack and protocol-layer access profiles for data transfer and management control, such as Generic Access Profile (GAP), Generic Attribute Profile (GATT) and Security Manager(SM).
- Network provides OS dependent features, such as IPv4, Hyper-Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP) client and the Simple Network Time Protocol (SNTP).
- Other features include Non-Volatile Random Access Memory (NVRAM), JavaScript Object Notation (JSON) and other features that are dependent on HAL and the OS.
- · Example project
 - Pre-configured projects, such as Wi-Fi station and Wi-Fi access point.

Major Features

The SDK supports the following features when used with the Linklt 7697 HDK or devices based on the MT7697:

Wi-Fi

Supports station and Access Point (AP) modes released as a single library.

Wi-Fi station mode features are listed below:

Item	Features
Standard	802.11 b/g/n station
Channel	Channels 1~13
Personal Security	Open, WEP-Open, WPA, WPA2
Enterprise Security	N/A
Advanced	AMPDU, Rx-Filter, DTIM

Wi-Fi AP mode features are listed below:

Item	Features
Standard	802.11 b/g/n Soft AP
Channel	Channels 1~13
Personal Security	Open, WEP-Open, WPA, WPA2
Enterprise Security	N/A
Support Clients	9 STAs (AP only mode)

Network

Includes IPv4, TCP and HTTP protocol support, as shown below.

Item	Features
IP Stack	IPv4 (lwIP), TCP, UDP, ICMP, DHCP Client/Server, NETCONN, SOCKET
SNTP	Simple Network Time Protocol, RFC4330
НТТР	HTTP 1.1, Client
HTTPS	HTTP 1.1, Client
SSL/TLS	mbedTLS, Server/Client, SSL 3.0, TLS 1.0/1.1/1.2

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BLE

Bluetooth Low Energy is one of the key features of the LinkIt SDK, including Generic Attribute Profile (GATT) server and GATT client. It it released as a single library.

Bluetooth Low Energy features are listed as below:

Item	Features
Standard	Bluetooth 4.1
GATT	GATT Server and GATT client
Maximum Links	4 for Master and/or Slave
Advanced	Background Scan and/or Advertisement

HAL

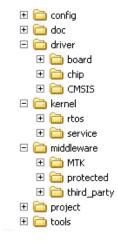
Provides convenient and advanced APIs based on low-level functions of the peripheral drivers. These APIs can interact with upper layers, such as middleware and the OS.

· Other features

The SDK also provides utilities, such as XML supporting Entity, Index, Search, JSON supporting string parser.

Folder Structure

The folder structure of the LinkIt SDK is shown below:



The details of the folder contents:

- doc
 - The platform related documentation, such as getting started and module development guides.
- driver
 - board. Includes drivers associated with the board, such as capacitive touch panel and the LCD.
 - o chip. Includes common drivers for the modules associated with the chip, such as UART and I2C.
 - CMSIS. Includes Cortex Microcontroller Software Interface Standard (CMSIS-CORE).
- kernel
 - rtos. Includes third party open source FreeRTOS.
 - service. Includes system service, such as the system log and exception handler.
- middleware
 - Includes the network features, such as IwIP and SNTP.
 - Includes advanced features, such XML and cJSON.
- project

- The SDK includes example projects with pre-configured module features.
- tools
 - qcc. Includes GCC compiler.

Terms and acronyms

Terms	Details	
FOTA	Firmware Over-The-Air (FOTA) is a Mobile Software Management technology in which the operating firmware of a mobile device is wirelessly upgraded and updated by its manufacturer. Please refer to FOTA in Techopedia.	
HAL	Hardware Abstraction Layer, to guarantee the uniform SDK API for the different hardware and the different chips.	
NVRAM	Non-volatile RAM Access Memory, is random-access memory that retains its information when power is turned off(non-volatile).	
HOSTAPD	Host Access Point Daemon, is a user space software access point capable of turning normal network interface cards into access points and authentication servers.	
GAP	Generic Access Profile (GAP), provides the basis for all other profiles. GAP defines how two Bluetooth units discover and establish a connection with each other. Please refer to GAP in Wikipedia.	
GATT	Generic Attribute Profile (GATT), provides profile discovery and description services for Bluetooth Low Energy protocol. It defines how ATT attributes are grouped together into sets to form services. Please refer to GATT in Wikipedia.	
SM	The SMP (Security Manager Protocol) The security manager defines the procedures for pairing, authentication, and encryption between LE devices. Please refer to SM introduction in artechhouse.	

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