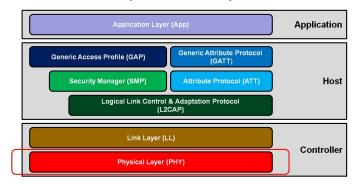
# BLE Bluetooth Low Energy

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#### Physical layer

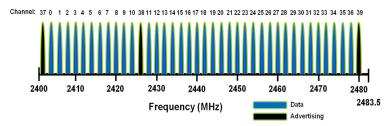
#### First layer of the protocol



The services provided by this layer go directly to the **link** layer

→ Link Layer (LL)

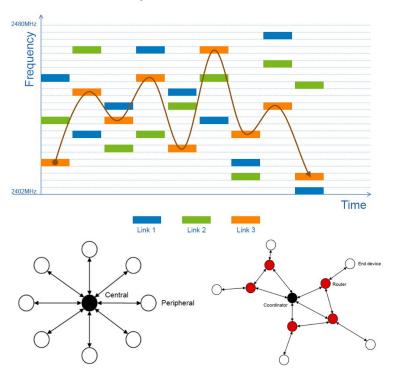
## 2.4GHz range and 40 channels



BLE has **40 different channels** that are spaced by 2MHz, either dedicated to data or advertising.

→ Connection is made with channels that are out of the Wi-Fi range

### Link layer



- Device address
- Packets format
- Reliability
- Encryption
- MAC level operations

#### Power consumption

Low power consumption



- Peak current 2 times lower than Bluetooth Classic
- Power consumption 2 to 100 times lower

→ But highly dependent on the use case

Optimizing current consumption



- Extends battery life and makes better products
- Peripherals can function for 1 to 4 years on coin cell battery

→ BLE is designed to enable devices to have very low power consumption

What can affect power consumption in BLE?



- Amount of power transmitted
- Total amount of time that the radio is active

→ Highly dependent on the environment and parameters

#### Security

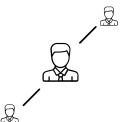
Passive eavesdropping



When a **third device listens to the data** being exchanged between the two paired devices.

→ AES Encryption, but vulnerabilities in the key exchange protocol

### Men In The Middle (MITM) attacks



When both the central and peripheral devices will connect to the malicious device which redirects the communication route to himself.

→ Data interception and false data injection risk

#### **Identity tracking**



When a malicious entity is able to associate the address of a BLE device with a specific user and tracks him.

→ Need to change frequently the device connection address (but it is not done efficiently or frequently enough)

### Do you have any questions?

