

SiWG917 Wi-Fi HTTP Server

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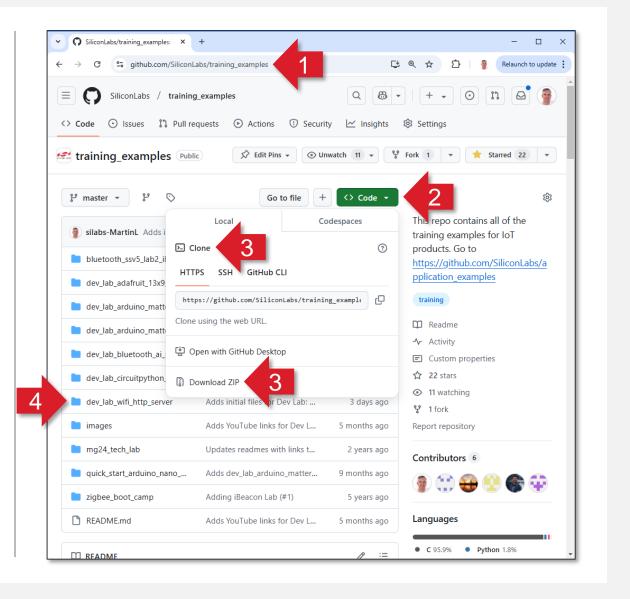


In this workshop:

- Connect and setup SiWG917 boards in the Simplicity Studio v5 IDE
- Create, build and run the Wi-Fi HTTP Server example application
- Adapt the Wi-Fi HTTP Server application to display button states in a browser
- How to use software APIs to construct Wi-Fi applications for the SiWG917

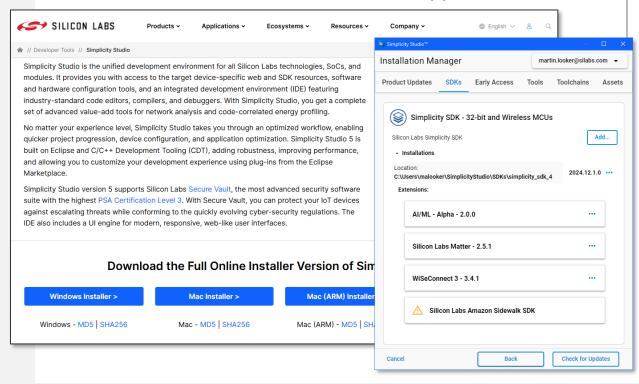
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Prerequisites

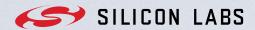
- Simplicity Studio v5 installed:
 - Download from: <u>https://www.silabs.com/developers/simplicity-studio</u>
 - Ensure the Simplicity SDK is installed including WiSeConnect 3.4.1 or later
- TeraTerm or similar serial terminal application



- SiWG917 Wi-Fi kits and boards
 - Silicon Labs Dev Kit
 - Silicon Labs Explorer Kit
 - Ezurio SL917 Veda Explorer Kit
 - Ezurio SL917 Click
 - Silicon Labs Pro Kit
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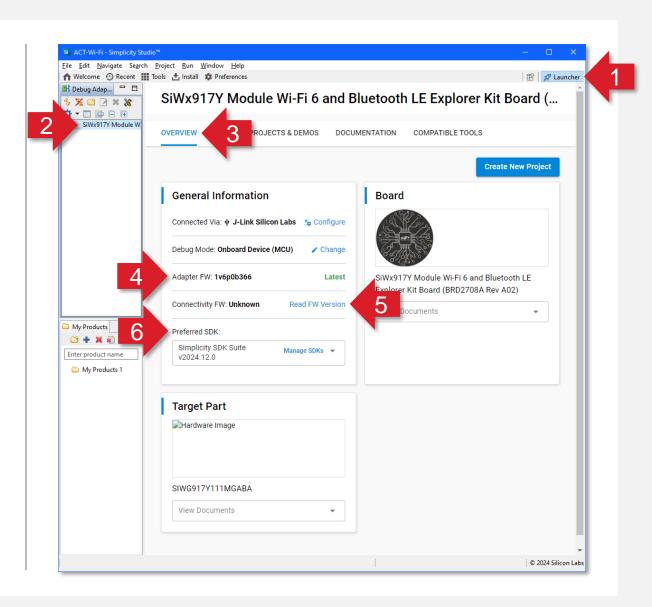


HTTP Server Project



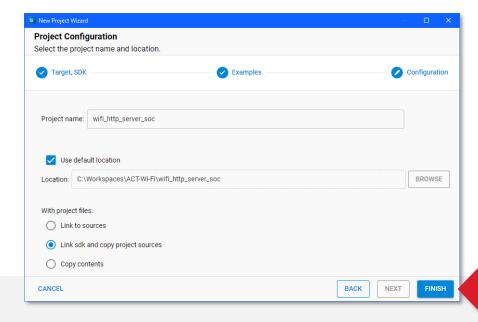
Connect and Update Board

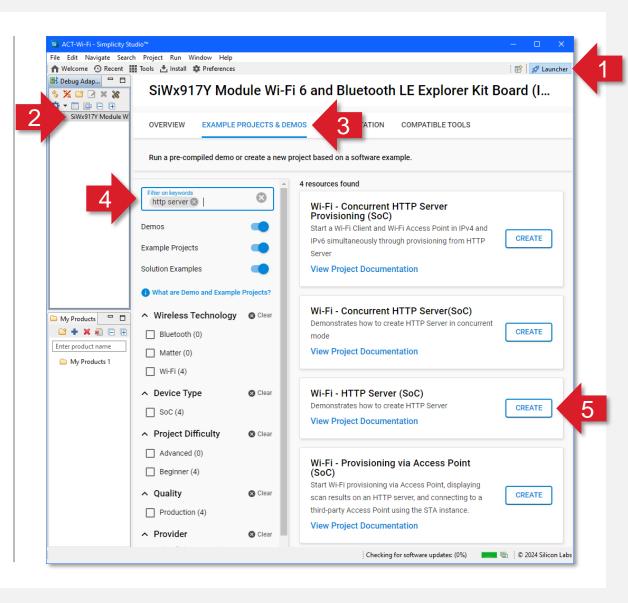
- To connect and update board firmware:
 - 1. Go to the Launcher perspective
 - Connect the board using USB and select in the Debug Adapters panel
 - 3. Make sure the Overview page is selected
 - 4. In the General Information box, update Adapter FW if the latest is not installed
 - Read the Connectivity FW version and update if the latest is not installed
 - 6. Check the Preferred SDK is set to Simplicity SDK Suite



Create Example Application

- To create the example application:
 - 1. Go to the Launcher perspective
 - Make sure the board is selected in the Debug Adapters panel
 - 3. Select the Example Projects & Demos page is selected
 - 4. Enter HTTP Server into the filter editbox
 - 5. In the Wi-Fi HTTP Server (SoC) box, click the Create button
 - 6. In the New Project Wizard window, click the Finish button

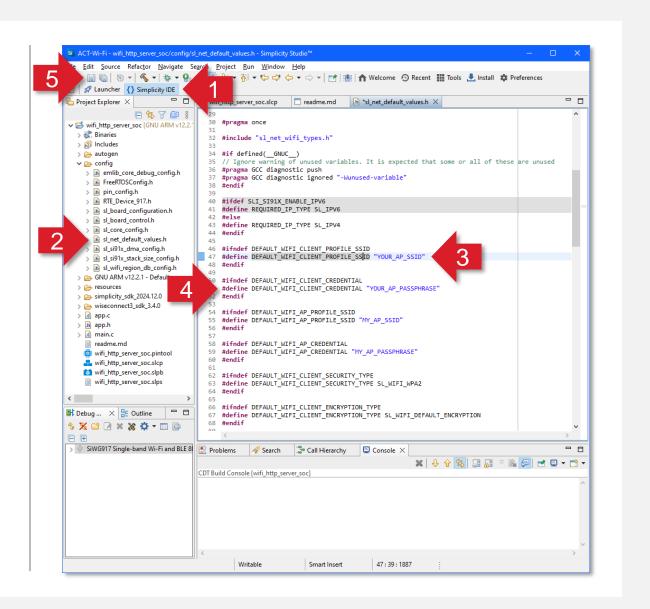






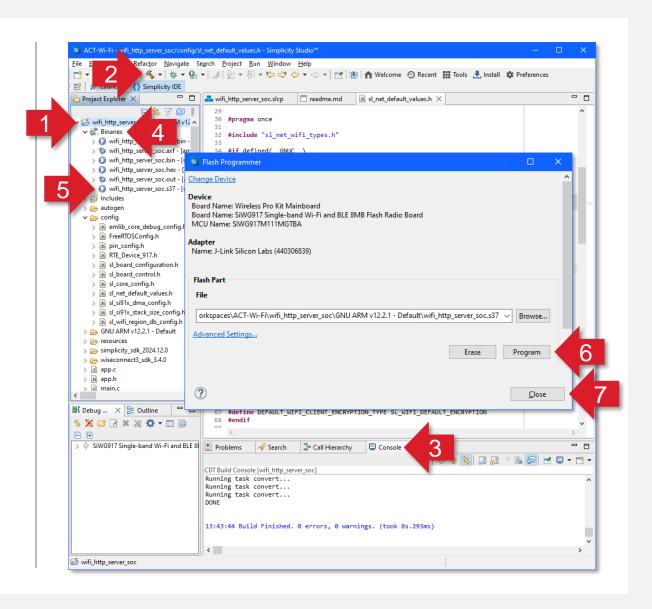
Configure Wi-Fi Access Point

- To configure the Wi-Fi access point credentials:
 - 1. Make sure the Simplicity IDE perspective is selected
 - In the Project Explorer panel, open the config/sl_net_default_values.h file
 - Update the DEFAULT_WIFI_CLIENT_PROFILE_SSID define with the SSID of the Wi-Fi network to join
 - 4. Update the **DEFAULT_WIFI_CLIENT_CREDENTIAL** define with the password of the Wi-Fi network to join
 - 5. Save the changes to the file



Compile and Flash

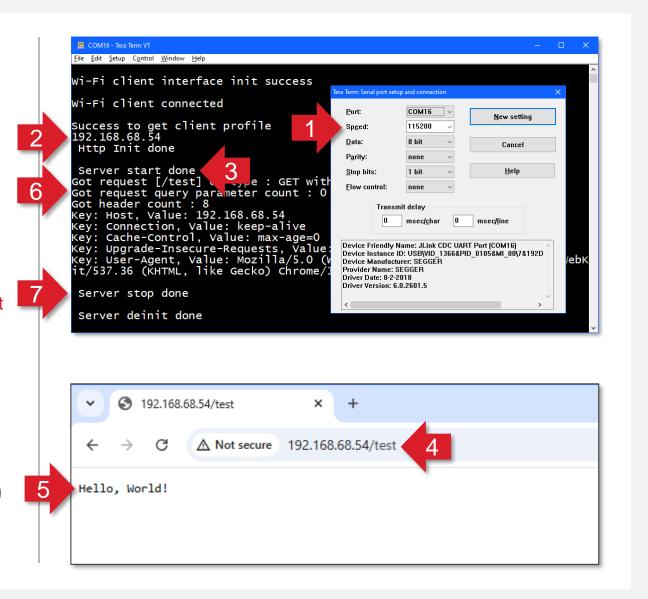
- To compile the software:
 - In the Project Explorer panel, select the top-level project
 - 2. Click the Build (hammer) button on the toolbar
 - 3. Compilation progress is shown in the Console panel
- To flash the software:
 - 4. In the Project Explorer panel, open the Binaries folder
 - Locate the .s37 file, right click and select Flash to device...
 - In the Flash Programmer window, click the Program button
 - 7. When complete, click the Close button

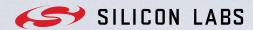


Operation

To operate the HTTP Server:

- 1. Connect a serial terminal to the board using: 115200 baud, 8 data bits, no parity, 1 stop bit, no flow control
- 2. Reset the board, when the device joins the network its IP address will be output to the terminal
- Server start done will be output when the HTTP server is running
- 4. In a web browser enter the IP address followed by /test
- 5. Hello, World! Will be displayed in the browser window
- 6. Data on the HTTP request is displayed in the serial terminal
- After serving the request, the HTTP server is stopped and deinitialised
- 8. If the browser is refreshed, connection refused will be returned as the server is no longer running (not shown)





HTTP Server Review



Application Startup

- The application code is structured around FreeRTOS with the application parts of the code in app.c:
- The app_init() function is called at startup from main.c
- The app_init() function creates a new thread that runs in the application_start() function

```
335 void app_init(const void *unused)
336 {
337  UNUSED_PARAMETER(unused);
338  osThreadNew((osThreadFunc_t)application_start, NULL, &thread_attributes);
339 }
340
341 static void application_start(void *argument)
342 {
```

Wi-Fi Startup

- The application_start() function handles the setup and joining of the Wi-Fi network:
- The sl_net_init() function initializes the network interface
 - The interface is initialized as a client device
 - The Wi-Fi configuration passed in using a sl_wifi_device_configuration_t structure
 - Note, despite the variable name this configures the Wi-Fi not the HTTP Server
- The sl_net_up() function brings up the network interface, for a client:
 - Uses the default profile which includes the SSID and password set in the sl_net_default_values.h file
 - Scans and connects to the network specified in the profile
- The sl_net_get_profile() function reads back the profile when it has joined the network
 - The IP address is extracted from this profile and output to the serial port

```
341⊖ static void application start(void *argument)
     UNUSED_PARAMETER(argument);
      sl status t status
       sl_http_server_config_t server_config = { 0 };
346
       status = sl net init(SL NET WIFI CLIENT INTERFACE, &http server configuration, NULL, NULL);
       if (status != SL STATUS OK) {
349
        printf("\r\nFailed to start Wi-Fi Client interface: 0x%lx\r\n", status);
350
351
352
       printf("\r\nWi-Fi client interface init success\r\n");
353
       status = sl_net_up(SL_NET_WIFI_CLIENT_INTERFACE, SL_NET_DEFAULT_WIFI_CLIENT_PROFILE_ID);
354
       if (status != SL STATUS OK) {
356
        printf("\r\nFailed to bring Wi-Fi client interface up: 0x%lX\r\n", status);
357
358
359
       printf("\r\nWi-Fi client connected\r\n");
       status = sl_net_get_profile(SL_NET_WIFI_CLIENT_INTERFACE, SL_NET_DEFAULT_WIFI_CLIENT_PROFILE
362
       if (status != SL STATUS OK) {
        printf("Failed to get client profile: 0x%lx\r\n", status);
363
364
        return;
365
       printf("\r\nSuccess to get client profile\r\n");
367
       ip address.type = SL IPV4;
       memcpy(&ip address.ip.v4.bytes, &profile.ip.ip.v4.ip address.bytes, sizeof(sl ipv4 address t)
      print_sl_ip_address(&ip_address);
```

HTTP Server Startup

- Near the start of app.c, an array of sl_http_server_handler_t structures are initialized:
 - Each element pairs a URI with a function to be called when the URI is requested
 - The /test URI causes the buffered_request_handler()
 function to be called
- The application_start() function also starts the HTTP Server:
 - A sl_http_server_config_t structure is initialized with settings for the HTTP Server, including the request handlers
 - The sl_http_server_init() function initializes the server using the configuration structure
 - The sl_http_server_start() function begins running the server
 - The thread is kept in a loop while the is_server_running variable is true

```
server config.port
                                     = HTTP SERVER PORT;
       server config.default handler = NULL;
      server config.handlers list
                                     = request handlers;
      server config.handlers count = 4;
      server config.client idle time = 1;
377
       status = sl http server init(&server handle, &server config);
379
       if (status != SL_STATUS_OK)
380
        printf("\r\nHTTP server init failed:%lx\r\n", status);
381
        return;
382
383
      printf("\r\n Http Init done\r\n");
384
       status = sl http server start(&server handle);
      if (status != SL STATUS OK) {
387
        printf("\r\n Server start fail:%lx\r\n", status);
388
        return;
389
390
       printf("\r\n Server start done\r\n");
391
392
      is server running = true;
       while (is server running) {
        osDelay(100);
395
```

HTTP Request Handler (1)

- The buffered_request_handler() function is called when the /test URI is requested:
- Local variables are initialized including:
 - http_response for the response data
 - header for the response header
- The next part of the function outputs data in the HTTP request to the serial port

```
238⊖ sl status t buffered request handler(sl http server t *handle, sl http server request t *req)
     sl http recv req data t recvData
      sl http server response t http response = { 0 };
      sl http header t request headers[5]
                                              = { 0 };
      sl http header t header
                                              = { .key = "Server", .value = "SI917-HTTPServer" };
244
      printf("Got request [%s] of type : %s with data length : %lu\n",
246
              req->uri.path,
247
             request_type[req->type],
248
             req->request_data_length);
       if (req->request data length > 0) {
250
        recvData.request
251
        recvData.buffer
                                = (uint8 t *)response;
252
        recvData.buffer length = 1024;
253
254
        sl http server read request data(handle, &recvData);
255
        response[recvData.received data length] = 0;
256
        printf("Got request data as : %s\n", response);
257
258
       printf("Got request query parameter count : %u\n", req->uri.query parameter count);
       if (req->uri.query parameter count > 0) {
261
        for (int i = 0; i < reg->uri.query parameter count; i++) {
262
          printf("query: %s, value: %s\n", req->uri.query parameters[i].query, req->uri.query param
263
264
265
      printf("Got header count : %u\n", req->request_header_count);
      sl http server get request headers(handle, req, request headers, 5);
268
      int length = (req->request header count > 5) ? 5 : req->request header count;
      for (int i = 0; i < length; i++) {
        printf("Key: %s, Value: %s\n", request headers[i].key, request headers[i].value);
272
```

HTTP Request Handler (2)

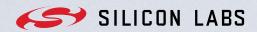
- The final part of the buffered_request_handler() function constructs and sends the response:
- The response code is set to OK
- The content type is set to plain text
- The headers are added
- The response data is set to "Hello, World!" and data lengths set appropriately
- The sl_http_server_send_response() function is then used to transmit the HTTP response
- Finally, the is_server_running variable is set to false
 - This allows the loop in the application_start() function to end

```
// Set the response code to 200 (OK)
      http response.response code = SL HTTP RESPONSE OK;
276
      // Set the content type to plain text
      http response.content type = SL HTTP CONTENT TYPE TEXT PLAIN;
      http_response.headers
                                 = &header;
      http_response.header_count = 1;
281
      // Set the response data to "Hello, World!"
      char *response data
                                         = "Hello, World!";
                                         = (uint8 t *)response data;
      http response.data
      http response.current data length = strlen(response data);
      http_response.expected_data_length = http_response.current_data_length;
      sl http server send response(handle, &http response);
      is_server_running = false;
      return SL STATUS OK;
290
```

HTTP Server Shutdown

- When the while loop exits in the application_start() function:
 - The sl_http_server_stop() function is called to stop the server
 - The sl_http_server_deinit() is called to deinitialize the server

```
is server running = true;
      while (is server running) {
394
        osDelay(100);
395
396
397
      status = sl http server stop(&server handle);
      if (status != SL_STATUS_OK) {
        printf("\r\n Server stop fail:%lx\r\n", status);
399
400
401
402
      printf("\r\n Server stop done\r\n");
403
      status = sl http server deinit(&server handle);
      if (status != SL_STATUS_OK) {
        printf("\r\n Server deinit fail:%lx\r\n", status);
407
      printf("\r\n Server deinit done\r\n");
```

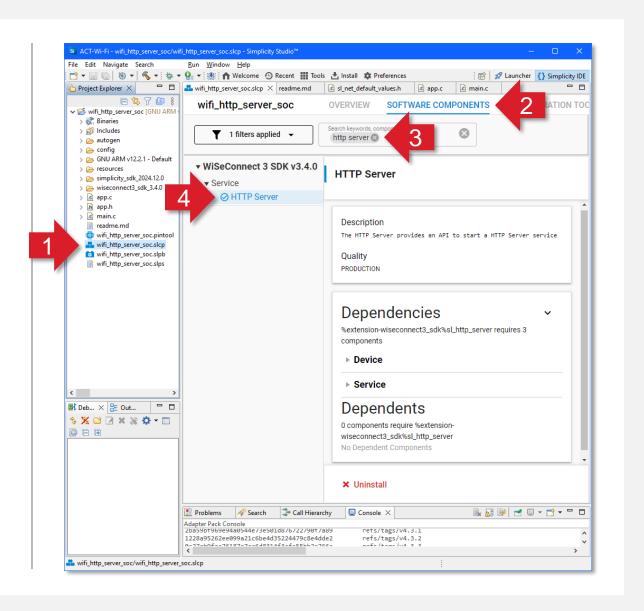


HTTP Server Project Enhancements



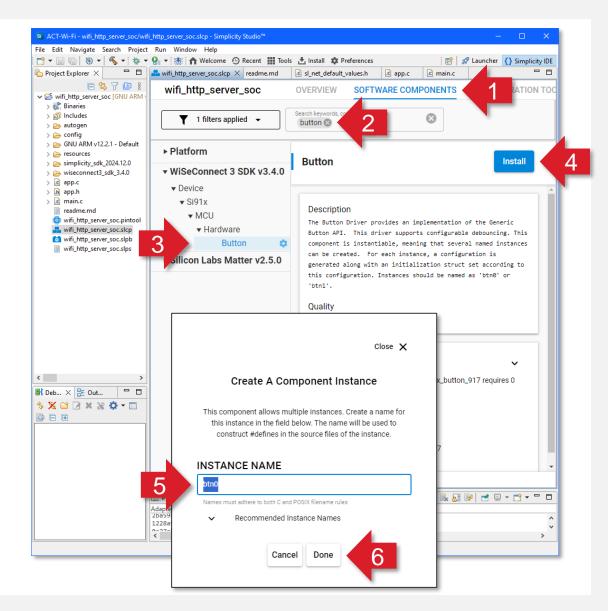
HTTP Server Software Component

- Software Components are a convenient way to add functionality to a project
- The HTTP Server Software Component is preinstalled in the example project
 - This provides the structures and functions used to operate the HTTP Server
- To view it:
 - 1. Open the .slcp file in the main project
 - 2. Go to the Software Components page
 - 3. Search for HTTP Server
 - 4. This component is already installed in the example project, as indicated by the tickbox
- The .slcp file also provides other options to manage the project and access relevant tools



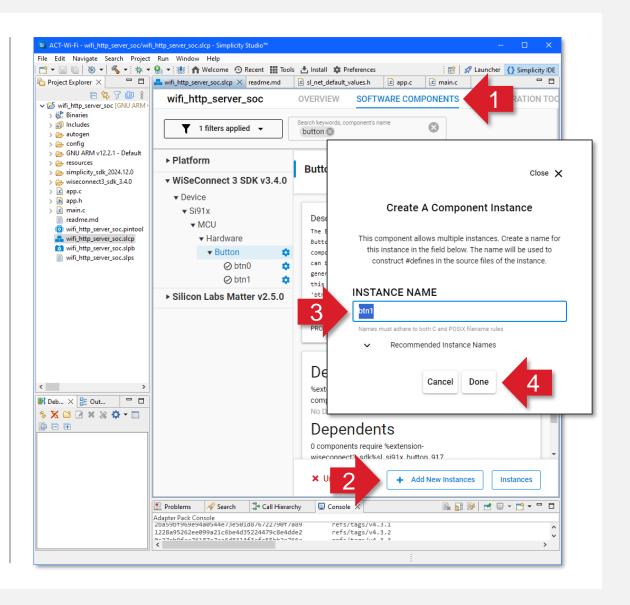
Button 0 Software Component

- We will add Software Components for the buttons we want to monitor:
 - Make sure you are on the Software Components page
 - 2. Search for Button
 - In the tree on the left, unfold: WiSeConnect 3 SDK > Device > Si91x > MCU > Hardware > Button
 - 4. Click the Install button
 - 5. In the Create a Component Instance window check the instance name is set to btn0
 - 6. Click the Done button
- This adds the button APIs to the project and also code to use it with Button 0 on the board with the correct pin configuration



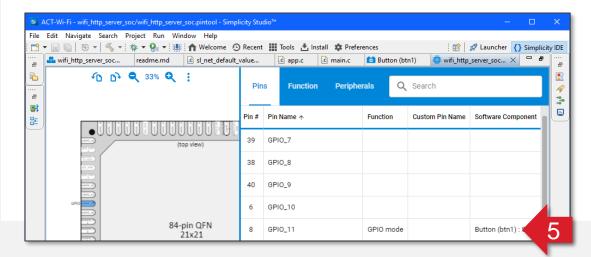
Button 1 Software Component

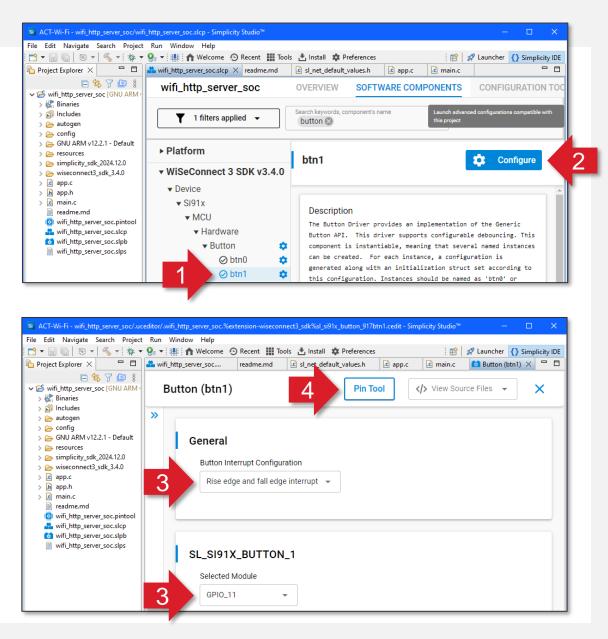
- To add the instance for Button 1:
 - Make sure you are on the Software Components page
 - 2. Click the Add New Instances button
 - In the Create a Component Instance window check the instance name is set to btn1
 - 4. Click the Done button



Button Configuration

- We used recommended instance names which are pre-mapped onto the GPIO for the buttons on the board
- We can view this configuration:
 - 1. Click one of the instances under **Button** in the treeview
 - 2. Click the Configure button
 - 3. The Interrupt Configuration and assigned GPIO pin can be viewed and edited in this window
 - 4 Click the Pin Tool button
 - This tool shows the low-level assignment of pins to peripherals including the GPIO assignment for the Button instance

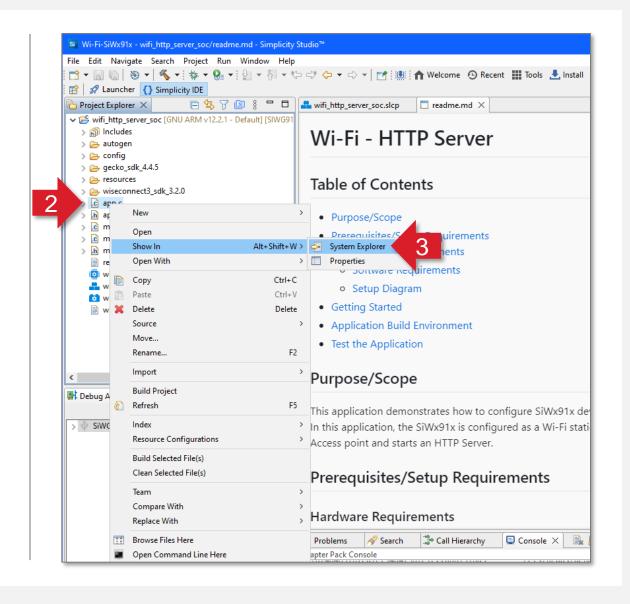






Update app.c

- To update app.c in the project folder:
 - Locate the app.c file downloaded from GitHub (located in the dev_lab_wifi_http_server/source folder) and copy to the clipboard
 - In Simplicity Studio, locate the app.c file in the Project Explorer panel
 - 3. Right-click and select Show in > System Explorer
 - Paste the app.c file from the clipboard into the opened folder (replacing the existing file)







HTTP Server Enhancements Review



app.c - Includes, Defines and Global Variables

- New includes, defines and global variables are added to app.c:
- Includes to access the button APIs
- An APP_VERSION define
- A HTML_RESPONSE define containing a formatting string for the HTML response:
 - 1. The meta tag contains browser instructions to request a refresh every 5 seconds
 - Tokens are in place to include the seconds the application has been running and states of button 0 and button 1
- A HTML_RESPONSE define with a maximum size for the HTML response buffer
- Global variables for:
 - Number of seconds the application has been running
 - States for buttons
 - A buffer in which to build the HTML response

```
43 #include "sl_si91x_button.h"
44 #include "sl_si91x_button_pin_config.h"
45 #include "sl si91x button instances.h"
   50 #define APP VERSION "v0.0.6"
52⊕ #define HTML RESPONSE "<!DOCTYPE html>\r\n" \
    "<html>\r\n" \
    " <head>\r\n" \
        <title>SiWG917 HTTP Server</title>\r\n" \
        <meta http-equiv=\"refresh\" content=\"5\">
       <body>\r\n" \
        SiWG917 HTTP Server " APP VERSION "\r\n" \
         seconds = %ld\r\n" \
        button0 = %d\r\n" \
        button1 = %d\r\n" \
       </body>\r\n" \
65 #define HTML RESPONSE SIZE 768
```

```
132 uint32_t seconds = 0;
133 int8_t button0 = BUTTON_STATE_INVALID;
134 int8_t button1 = BUTTON_STATE_INVALID;
135 char html_response_data[HTML_RESPONSE_SIZE] = "";
```

app.c - buffered_request_handler()

- Changes are made to the response generated in the buffered_request_handler() function:
 - The content_type is changed to TEXT_HTML
 - The current seconds, button0 and button1 states are formatted into the html_response_data buffer
 - The html_response_data buffer is added to the response, along with an updated length

```
// Set the response code to 200 (OK)
     http response.response code = SL HTTP RESPONSE OK;
      // Set the content type to plain text
     http response.content type = SL HTTP CONTENT TYPE TEXT HTML;
     http response.headers
                                 = &header;
     http_response.header_count = 1;
     // Set the response data to "Hello, World!"
      //char *response data
                                           = "Hello, World!":
      sprintf(html response data, HTML RESPONSE, seconds, button0, button1);
                                        = (uint8_t *)html_response_data;
     http_response.data
      http response.current data length = strlen(html response data);
      http_response.expected_data_length = http_response.current_data_length;
      sl http server send response(handle, &http response);
     is server running = false;
313
      return SL_STATUS_OK;
```

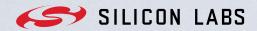
app.c - application_start()

- Changes are made to the application_start() function which runs the application's thread:
 - 1. A debug message, with the version number is output to the serial port
 - 2. The while loop is allowed to run forever
 - 3. In the while loop, the delay is increased to 1 second (from 100ms)
 - The seconds, button0 and button1 variables are updated
 - For the buttons, the pins are read directly

```
367⊖ static void application_start(void *argument)
368 {
369  UNUSED_PARAMETER(argument);
370  sl_status_t status = 0;
371  sl_http_server_config_t server_config = { 0 };
372
373  printf("\r\nSiWG917 HTTP Server %s\r\n", APP_VERSION);
```

```
is_server_running = true;
while (1) {
    osbelay(1000);
    seconds++;

422    button0 = sl_si91x_button_pin_state(SL_BUTTON_BTN0_PIN);
    button1 = sl_si91x_button_pin_state(SL_BUTTON_BTN1_PIN);
423    button1 = sl_si91x_button_pin_state(SL_BUTTON_BTN1_PIN);
424 }
```

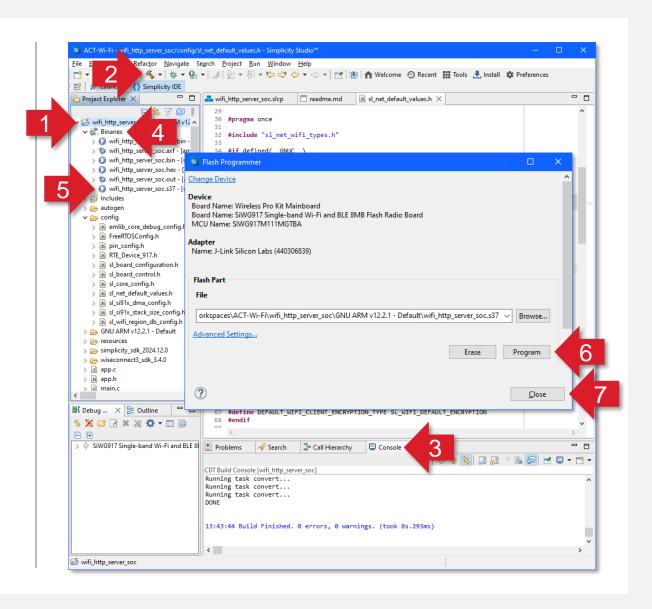


HTTP Server Enhancements Operation



Compile and Flash

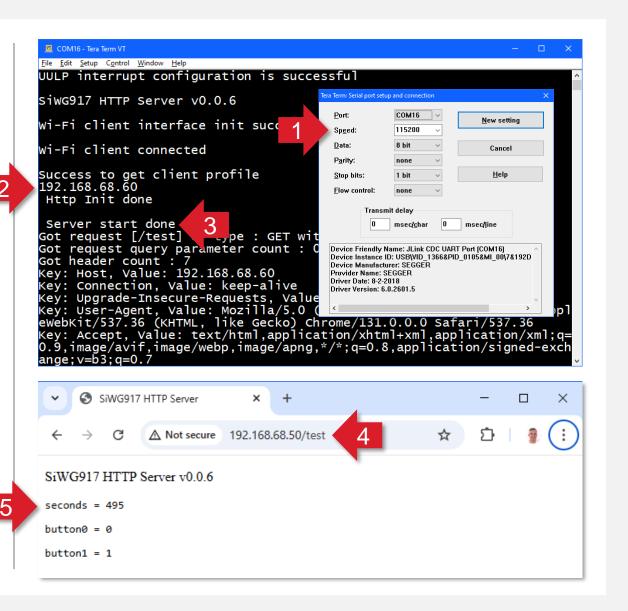
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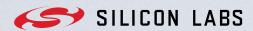


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- 6. The browser will automatically refresh every 5 seconds (not shown)



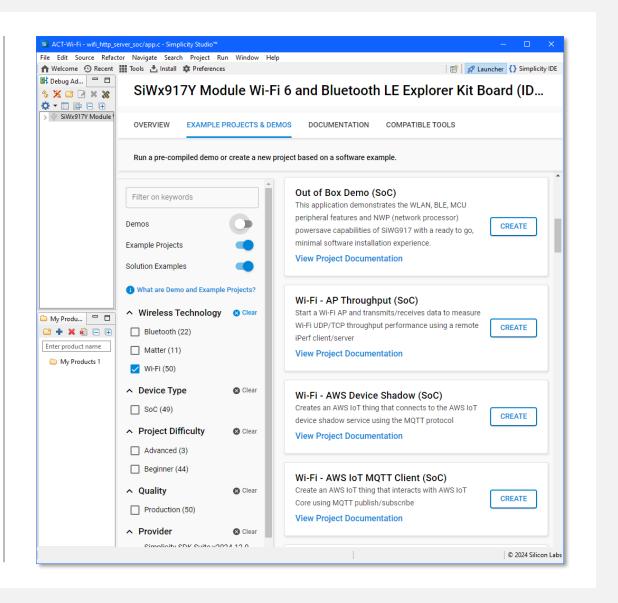


Next Steps



Next Steps

- There are lots more Wi-Fi examples available in Simplicity Studio
 - Choose the one closest to your final application as your starting point
 - The Out of Box Demo (SoC) provides a good overview showing how to join a Wi-Fi network by providing the SSID and password over Bluetooth, pinging and MQTT data transfer
 - There are many Matter over Wi-Fi examples
- For more fully-featured examples check the Silicon Labs Wi-Fi Examples repository on GitHub: https://github.com/SiliconLabs/wifi_applications
- Documentation on the Wi-Fi APIs is available from the Documentation page in the Launcher and also online:
 - https://docs.silabs.com/wiseconnect/latest/wiseconnect-developing-with-wiseconnect-sdk
- Subscribe to the Silicon Labs YouTube channel, where we will be adding Wi-Fi tutorials in the future: https://www.youtube.com/@ViralSilabs/videos





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