

CC1110EMK Quick Start Guide

Opening the box an running the Packet Error Rate Test on SmartRF04EB

1. Kit Contents



2 x CC1110EM (433 MHz or 868-915 MHz) 2 x Antennas (type depending on frequency)

The 868-915 MHz RF boards in this kit are FCC and IC certified and are tested to comply with ETSI/R&TTE over temperatures from 0 to +35°C.

FCC/IC Regulatory Compliance FCC Part 15 Class A Compliant IC ICES-003 Class A Compliant

Antenna types:

868-915 MHz: Pulse W5017, 2 dBi
433 MHz: Pulse SPWH24433TI, 0 dBi

2. How to use the modules

The EMK is an add-on kit to supplement the CC1110DK with evaluation boards supporting additional frequency bands.

The CC1110EM boards can be plugged into several development boards from Texas Instruments. Most notably, you can use the SmartRF04EB, which is included in the CC1110-CC1111DK. This board lets you run a packet error rate (PER) test, control the device from SmartRF™ Studio and it can be used as a development platform.

It is also possible to plug the EM into the "SoC Battery Board". This board, together with the CC Debugger, will provide a complete development environment for the CC1110. See:

http://www.ti.com/tool/soc-bb

This guide will show how to use the modules together with SmartRF04EB.

3. Plug EM into EB



Insert a CC1110EM into both SmartRF04EBs. The connectors will only fit in one position, so that the EM cannot be inserted the wrong way. Do not force the EM. Remember to connect the antenna as well.



Caution! The kit contains ESD sensitive components. Handle with care to prevent permanent damage. To minimize risk of injury, avoid touching components during operation if symbolized as hot.

4a. Battery power



There are three different ways of applying power to the EB:

The first method involves using a battery, either a 9V or a 4xAA battery pack connected to the battery connector on the bottom side of the board

Warning! To minimize risk of personal injury or property damage, never use rechargeable batteries to power the board.

4b. DC power



The second method applies DC power using the DC input jack (right in picture, centre is +, sleeve is ground), or by connecting a 4-10V voltage source between the 4-10V and 0V terminals of the power connector (left in picture). It is also possible to connect a 3.3V voltage source between the 3.3V and 0V terminals. The on-board voltage regulators will be bypassed in this case.

External Power Supplyⁱ Requirements: Nom Voltage: 6 VDC Max Current: 800 mA Efficiency Level V

4c. USB power



The EB can also be powered from the USB bus. Make sure that the SmartRF™ Studio software is installed before connecting the EB to the PC; otherwise you may experience problems in installing it later due to driver issues.

Note that if multiple power sources are connected, the source with the highest voltage will power the EB. This means that you should disconnect any attached battery when using a lab supply or USB power; otherwise the battery will be drained.

5. Set power switch



If a 3.3V source is used as described in 4b above, the switch should be set to the leftmost position. For all other cases, the switch should be set to the rightmost position. This switch can be used to turn off the EB by switching it to the opposite position of that used to turn it on

Do not leave the board powered when unattended.

6. Packet error rate test



When power is applied to the board, the test program will start. You should see the Chipcon logo with chip name and revision number as shown above on the LCD display on both EBs. Pushing button S1 in the lower right corner of the board will show the first menu item.

7. Select Frequency



Select the frequency that you want to use (433 MHz, 868 MHz, 903 MHz or 915 MHz). Move the joystick up or down to display the choices and push button S1 in the lower right corner of the board to select the displayed frequency.

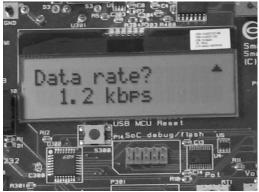


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8. Select Data Rate



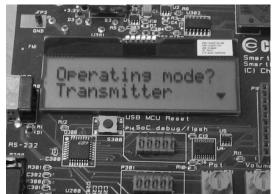
Select which data rate to use (1.2 kbps, 38.4 kbps or 250 kbps) by moving the joystick. Confirm your choice by pushing button S1.

9. EB 1: Select Receiver



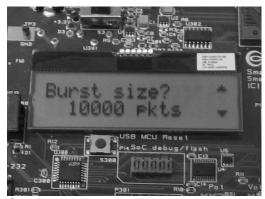
Select Receiver on the first EB by moving the joystick. Confirm by pressing button S1. The Receiving node will display "Ready to receive".

10. EB 2: Select Transmitter



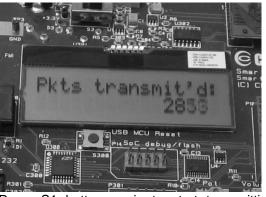
Select Transmitter on the other EB by moving the joystick upward. Confirm by pressing button S1.

11. EB 2: Number of Packets



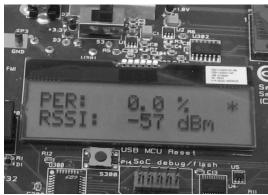
On the transmitter EB, select the number of packets to send. More packets take longer, but give a better statistical result. Confirm by pressing button S1.

12. PER Test (Transmitter)



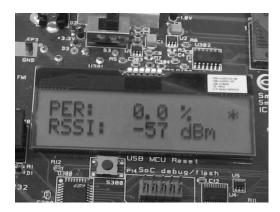
Press S1 button again to start transmitting the packet burst. The transmitter will show a running counter that shows the number of packets sent.

13. PER Test (Receiver)



The receiver will show the total accumulated packet error rate (PER) together with the average signal strength (RSSI) of the previous 32 received packets. A symbol in the upper right corner will blink for every 32nd incoming packet to indicate whether the link is maintained.

14. Per Test Results



When the PER test is completed, the result will be displayed on the receiver until a new test is started. A new test can be started from the transmitter.

15. References

Please visit www.ti.com and

http://www.ti.com/tool/cc1110emk433

http://www.ti.com/tool/cc1110emk868-915

For more information about how to use the CC1110EM, download the CC1110-CC1111DK b. User Manual, the SmartRF $^{\text{TM}}$ Studio PC Tool, software examples, as well as datasheets, c. reference designs and application notes.

You will also find a lot of information on the TI E2E forum at http://e2e.ti.com

We hope that you will enjoy working with the CC1110 device.

16. Troubleshooting

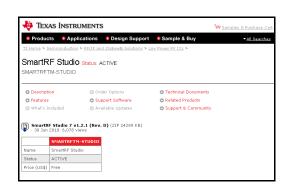
It you are experiencing problems with this test, please check the following:

- a. If you get poor PER results at short distances, try to move the transmitter and receiver further apart. The CC1110 receiver may experience saturation if it is too close to the other CC1110 transmitting at full output power.
- b. The data rate affects the range (higher data rate give shorter range).
- c. Please visit the kit web page and check for updated SW and documentation. Updated SW can be downloaded to the device using IAR or the Flash Programmer application.
- d. The source code for the packet error rate application is available on the web. You may modify the source code to test at other frequencies or data rates.

See "DN300 -- SmartRF04EB Troubleshooting" for general troubleshooting of your EB board.

SmartRF™ Studio

1. Download and Install



Before connecting SmartRF04EB to your PC, download SmartRF Studio from www.ti.com/smartrfstudio.

2. Launch SmartRF Studio



After installing the tool, connect the EB to the PC using the USB cable and start SmartRF Studio. Select the "Sub 1 GHz" tab and double click the CC1110 device icon.

3. Configure the Radio



You can now configure the radio, run tests, export register settings and run link tests with another CC1110 on a SmartRF04EB connected to the PC.

When using an external power supply, make sure it meets the listed requirements in addition to complying with applicable regional product regulatory and safety certification requirements such as UL, CSA, VDE, CCC, and PSE.



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