

Bluetooth® Low Energy with Low Power Consumption

Beacons Used for Monitoring and Other Applications



A beacon refers to a transmitter intended to send a small amount of data; it transmits a signal within a radius of tens of meters once every several milliseconds or every several seconds.

Using these signals, beacons are employed for a number of applications such as monitoring, indoor guidance, position detection, mobility management for moving objects, and coupon issuance.

Most beacon transmitters operate on coin cells or small batteries. In order to keep sending radio waves at regular intervals, they need to be as low in power consumption as possible.

Our Bluetooth Low Energy microcontroller “RL78/G1D” enables low power consumption for Beacons .

Benefits

Low power consumption

The beacon stack can be tailored exclusively to transmission, and the beacon device with lower power consumption can operate on a tiny battery for a long time.

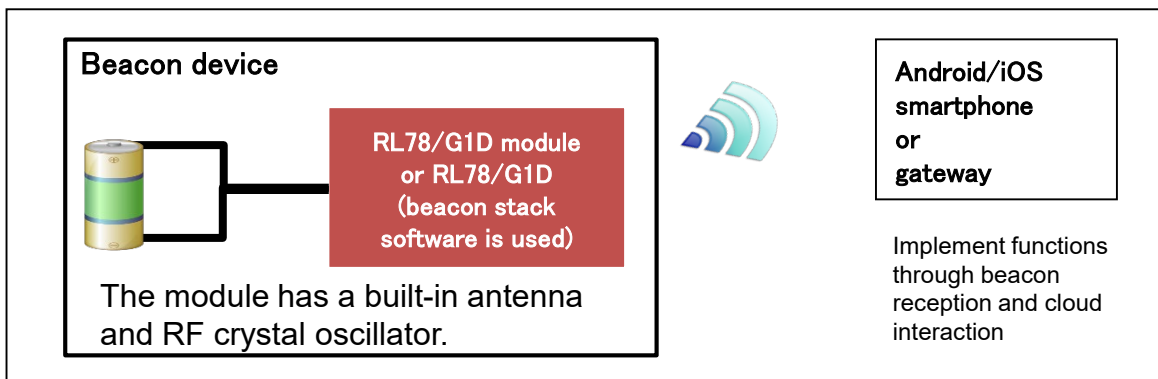
Easy initial setup of the beacon device

The Bluetooth Low Energy protocol stack and the beacon stack are connected over the air (OTA) to update beacon data.

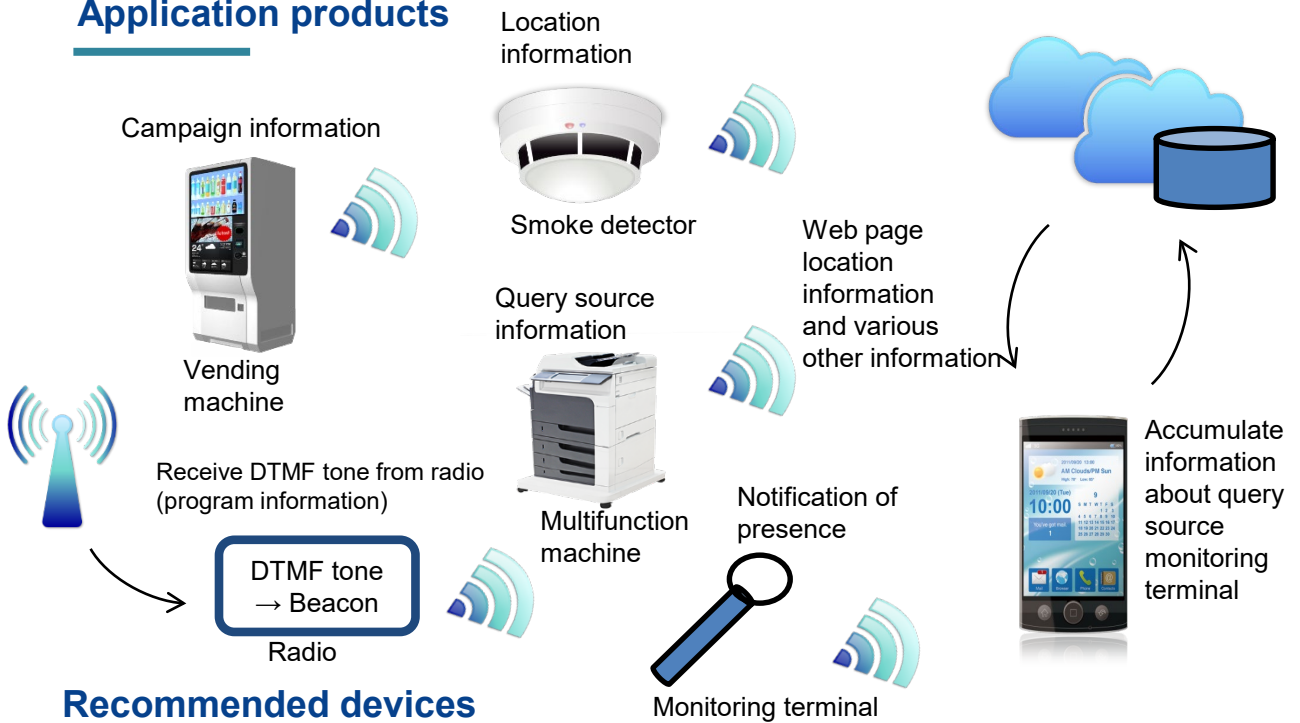
Energy harvesting for beacon transmission

The beacon stack allows shorter initialization and beacon transmission with lower power consumption (notification is given in response to action).

Application example



Application products



Recommended devices

| Block | Semiconductor | Recommended component | Features and others |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Control microcontroller | Microcontroller | RL78/G1D group(R5F11A) | Built-in Bluetooth Low Energy |
| | Module | RL78/G1D module (RY7011A0000DZ00) | Equipped with RL78/G1D, built-in antenna and RF crystal oscillator |

Related application notes/sample code

| Name | Document No. |
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| RL78/G1D Beacon Stack User's Manual | R01UW0171 |
| RL78/G1D Beacon Stack Basic Operation Sample Program | R01AN3045 |
| RL78/G1D Beacon Stack Connecting and Updating Beacon Data Sample Program | R01AN3313 |

Evaluation board

| Name | Model name |
|--|---|
| RTK0EN0001D01001BZ (RL78/G1D evaluation board) The module mounted on the evaluation board can be replaced with the Bluetooth® Low Energy-enabled embedded radio module (RM-110-RFB-2) manufactured by NAITO DENSEI MACHIDA MFG. Co., Ltd. | RTK0EN0001D01001BZ |
| Bluetooth® Low Energy-enabled embedded radio module (RM-110-RFB-2) (Equipped with an RL78/G1D module, which can be used to replace the module mounted on the RL78/G1D evaluation board.) | RM-110-RFB-2 (Manufactured by NAITO DENSEI MACHIDA MFG. Co., Ltd.) |



Module Evaluation Board (Parts Number:RM-110-RFB-2)
(with terminal holes having a pitch of 2.54 mm)
Mountable on a breadboard.
Sold by Naito Denssei Machida Mfg. for early evaluation and development.

Mountable on the RL78/G1D Evaluation Board (RTK0EN0001D01001BZ).
Easily debuggable.



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