

# CC2538 Development Kit Quick Start Guide

## Opening the Box and Running the Packet Error Rate Test

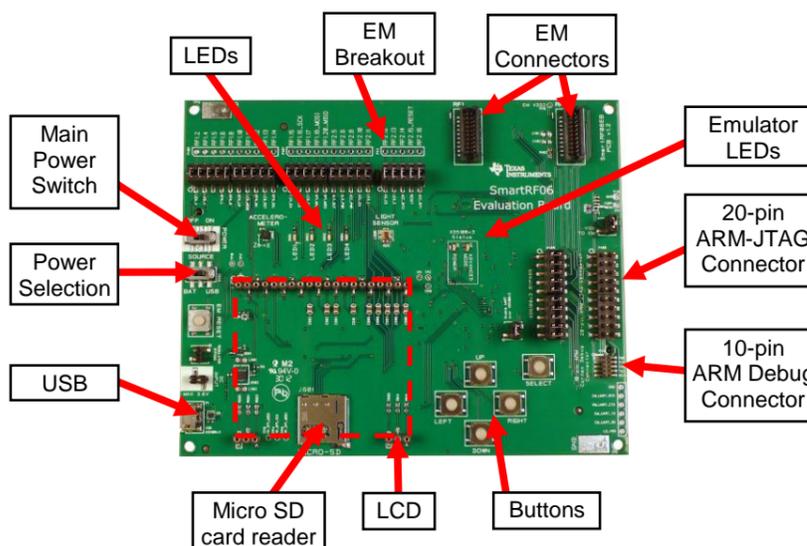
### 1. Kit Contents



2 x SmartRF06 Evaluation Boards (SRF06EB)  
 2 x CC2538 Evaluation Modules (CC2538EM)  
 1 x CC2531 USB dongle (sniffer)  
 2 x Micro USB Cables  
 Documentation

The RF boards in this kit are FCC and IC certified and tested/comply with ETSI/R&TTE over temperature from 0 to 35°C.

### 2. SmartRF06EB Overview



### 3. Plug the EM into the 06EB



Insert a CC2538EM board into the SmartRF06EB as shown above.



**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.

### 5. Power Options

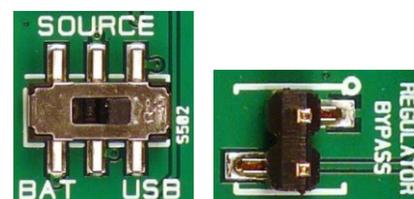
There are several ways of applying power to the TrxEB.

- USB (5V)
- 2 x 1.5 V AAA batteries
- 1 x 3.0 V CR2032 coin cell battery
- External regulated power supply

There are voltage regulators on the SmartRF06EB that will set the on-board voltage to 2.1 V or 3.3 V.

**Warning!** To minimize risk of injury or property damage, never use rechargeable batteries to power the board. Always select a power source that is suitably rated for use with this EVM, **not exceeding 3.6 VDC, with a current output rating between 0 and 500 mA.**

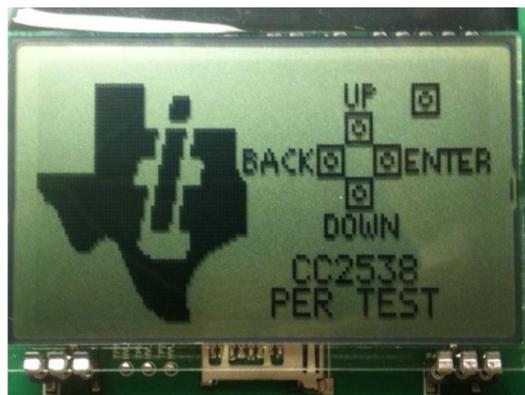
### 6. Select Power Source



The power source is selected using the Source switch on the left hand side of the SmartRF06EB. In "USB" position, the EM is powered over USB, running at 3.3 V. In "BAT" position, the board is powered from batteries or an external source, running at 2.1 V. The 2.1 V regulator can be bypassed by shorting the pins on the "regulator bypass" jumper. In this case, the EM is powered directly from the external source or batteries.

**Note that there should only be one active power source at any one time. Do not leave the EVM powered when unattended.**

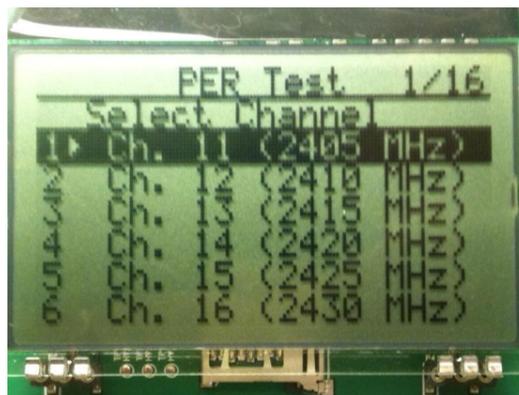
### 7. Welcome Screen



Turn on power with the Main Power switch. You should now see the Texas Instruments logo and a short description of the buttons on the LCD. Pushing any of the five buttons on the board will take you to the main menu.

**NB!** If you don't see anything on the screen make sure the board is correctly powered (see step 5 and 6 above).

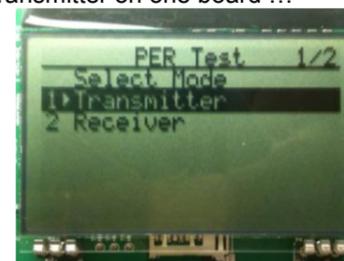
### 8. Select Channel



Select which channel to use for the test.

### 9. Select Mode

One of the boards must operate as a transmitter and the other as a receiver. Select transmitter on one board ...

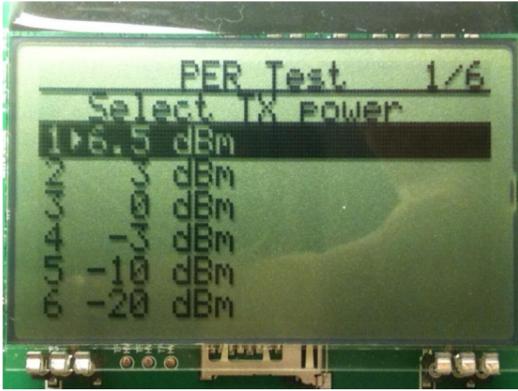


... and receiver on the other board.



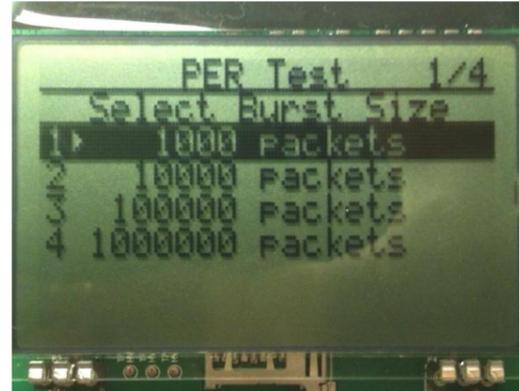
The receiver is now configured.

## 10. Select TX Power



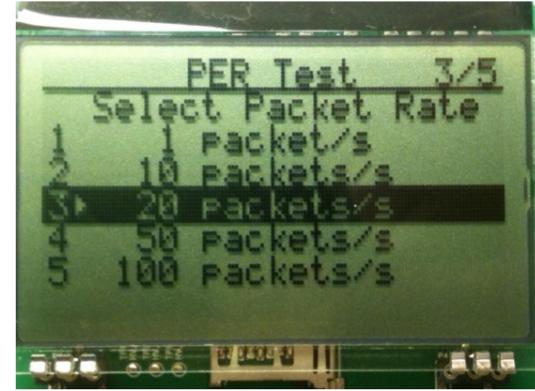
On the transmitter, select desired output power.

## 11. Select Burst Size



On the transmitter, select the desired burst size, that is, the number of packets to transmit.

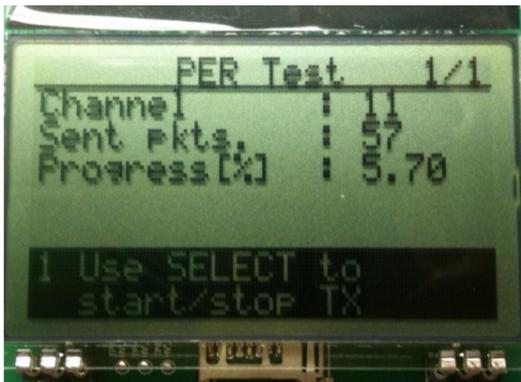
## 12. Select Packet Rate



On the transmitter, select the desired packet rate.

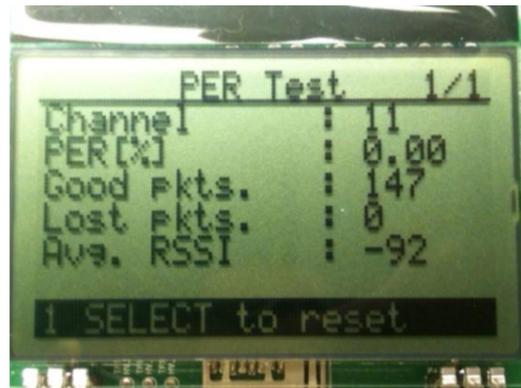
## 13. Start Sending Packets

The transmitter is now configured and in idle state. Sending packets is started/stopped by pressing the Select button.



## 15. PER Test Results

On the receiver, the statistics window will show the error rate based on the number of lost or erroneous packets divided by the total number of packets that should have been received.



## 18. References

Please visit [www.ti.com](http://www.ti.com) and

<http://www.ti.com/tool/cc2538dk>

On the kit product page, you will find additional documentation, links to updated software examples and software tools like SmartRF Studio.

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 CC2538 device.

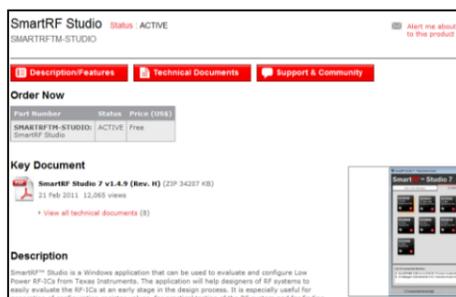
## 17. Troubleshooting

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

- Nothing is shown in the display! Make sure the board is powered correctly (see steps 5 and 6 above).
- Please visit the kit web page and check for updated SW and documentation. Updated SW can be downloaded to the device using IAR EWARM or SmartRF Flash Programmer.

# SmartRF™ Studio

## 1. Download and Install



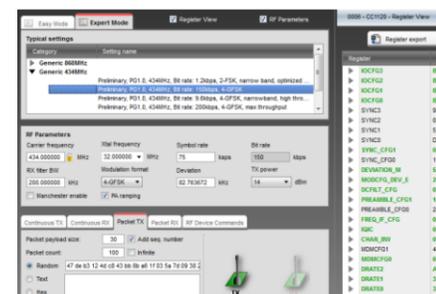
Before connecting SmartRF06EB to your PC, download and install SmartRF Studio from [www.ti.com/smarterfstudio](http://www.ti.com/smarterfstudio).

## 2. Launch SmartRF Studio



After installing the tool, connect the EB to the PC using the USB cable and start SmartRF Studio. Select the "2.4 GHz" tab and double click the highlighted CC2538 device icon.

## 3. Test the Radio



You can now configure the radio, run performance tests, export register settings and run link tests with another CC2538 on a SmartRF06EB connected to the PC.

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