

UCIC Launches Alexa and Google Assistant on the Same Hardware

Developers can now add Google Assistant alongside Alexa Voice Service to their hardware projects with unprecedented simplicity and ease and using any compatible far field solution

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TORONTO, ONTARIO - UCIC today announces the support of Google Assistant on its developer and hardware AI platform, Ubi Kit. The Ubi Kit already supports Amazon's Alexa Voice Service. "Multiple AI agents can now reside on a single device, allow hardware makers to offer a choice to their customers" said Leor Grebler, CEO of UCIC.

Ubi Kit is free for developers and enables implementation of advanced, customized, voice control and AI experiences in a very short period of time. Now with a single line of code and two minutes is all that's required to bring to life both Google Assistant as well as a fully integrated Alexa Voice Service implementation, including Alexa trigger.

Now, developers can prototype Google Assistant and AVS integration into their hardware products to help them decide on a path to take for their product roadmap. The technology to manage both integrations can be licensed from UCIC to help companies get to market faster with their voice enabled products.

"Hardware clients want to decide which AI assistants to embed in their product," says Grebler, "now, they can quickly test out if they'd like to use one or more agents and can choose from many different DSP and wake word technologies."

UCIC's Ubi Kit supports a wide variety of external USB microphones, including DSP development kits. It also supports wake word engines from Sensory, Kitt.AI, and Cognitech, with others coming over the next few months.

The free developer version of Ubi Kit, now available with both Alexa and Google Assistant support and can be downloaded here: <http://ubikit.ucic.io>. Other AI assistant are to be available shortly.

UCIC provides prototyping and testing services to integrate Ubi Kit into products while ensuring high quality and performance. The production version of Ubi Kit is available for license. Ubi Kit is currently targeted at ARM based architectures, however a low power version targeted at high efficiency MCU's will be rolled out with select partners in the new year.

About UCIC:

UCIC is a Toronto-based technology firm dedicated to bringing natural interaction to technology. The company primarily focuses on adding voice interaction to consumer electronic products and Internet of Things devices. UCIC's clients include top consumer brands and chipmakers. UCIC is known for introducing one of the first ambient voice-interactive hardware products to market, The Ubi, in 2012.

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