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## THROUGH SINGLE APP, HOMEOWNERS CAN CONTROL MULTIPLE HOUSEHOLD GADGETS

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### Revolv wants to offer a complete home automation system, managed through a single smartphone app.

We've seen a number of innovations aim to bring the home into the 21st century, from [app-controlled light bulbs](#) to [stoves that respond to text messages](#). The difference with new startup [Revolv](#) is that it wants to offer a complete home automation system, managed through a single smartphone app.

The kit consists of a hub loaded with seven different communication methods, allowing it to connect to the home's gadgets via wifi, Bluetooth and even obscure platforms such as [ZigBee](#) or [Z-Wave](#). Through the Revolv app, users can then control their heating, lighting, music and electronic locks from their smartphone. They can set up profiles for different occasions – like automatically opening the motorized curtains and playing the radio when it's time to get up, or dimming the lights and switching up the heat on a date night. The system's Geosense function also allows homeowners to execute certain settings based on their real-time location, detected through their smartphone GPS. For example, users can ensure all of the lights are turned off when they leave the house, or tell the system to turn the heating on when they're ten minutes away from returning.

Revolv provides those already installing smart gadgets in their home to bring them all together under one easy-to-use app and, according to the company, the system takes just 60 seconds to set up. The device is currently available for reserving through the Revolv site, although a price is yet to be announced. Could this help make the automated home a more probable reality?

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