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iOS 11's Control Center Buttons Don't Actually Turn Off the Wi-Fi and Bluetooth

One of the most prominent features of iOS 11 is the new Control Center. Since this is THE Control Center, you might think that it gives people full control over what the control center controls. You would be wrong. Apple usually has other ideas when it comes to functionality that differs from what users expect. The same is happening with the Control Center that does control some things, but not what you want or need. If you've used a mobile operating system in the past decade, including iOS, you will think that tapping on the widget for Bluetooth or Wi-Fi will stop those functions.

It turns out that's not the case. The two widgets in the Control Center close just the connection with Bluetooth-enabled devices or Wi-Fi networks. Why Apple decided to go this route is not really clear, although it's not a mistake. The documentation they do provide explicitly states what's happening, so it's definitely something designed. The idea must be to keep the user connected to his Apple Watch, for example, and just disconnect them from the rest of the sources. Until people figure it out, many users will wonder why they can't preserve the battery even if they "closed" Bluetooth and Wi-Fi. Of course, both the Bluetooth and Wi-Fi can be deactivated, but users will have to go into the Settings app and perform that task from in there.