LAB 3 REPORT IOT SENSOR-BASED SYSTEM DESIGN

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OBJECTIVES

The main purpose of this lab is to create a heart rate sensor device which can report the measured heart rate value to a BLE enabled device. In order to simplify the hardware platform, the input heart rate signal is an analog signal on the PSoC 4 BLE device. The objectives of Lab 3 include:

- 1. Measure simulated heart rate using the Programmable Analog Blocks
- 2. Implement a Heart Rate Profile and send the data over BLE
- 3. Optimize the design for low power consumption using Sleep, Deep-Sleep and Hibernate modes

PROCEDURE

1. Block diagram

Set up the project in PSoC Creator so that it follows the block diagram shown in Figure 1.

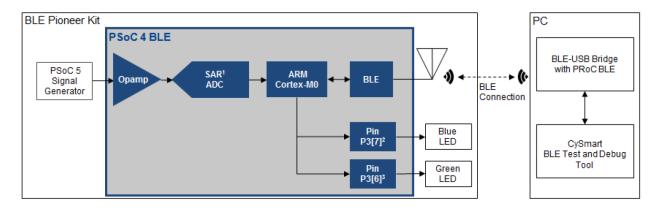


Figure 1: Block Diagram for Lab 2

2. Schematic

Open the BLE Lab 3 template provided by Cypress, and open TopDesign.cysch. In the Bluetooth Low Energy sheet of the schematic, place the BLE component, and drag the Opamp Component and Sequencing SAR ADC to the Analog Front End sheet, as shown in Figure 2.

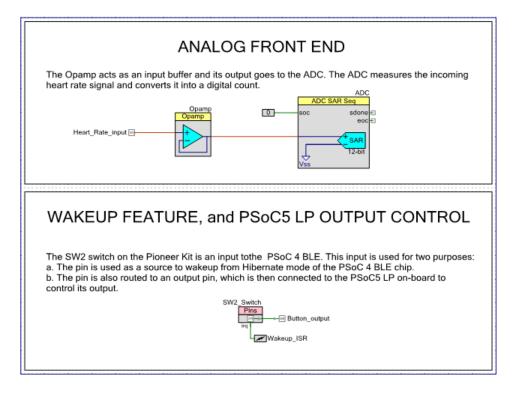


Figure 2: Schematic

3. BLE configuration – General Tab

Set the profile to Heart Rate and the Profile role to Heart Rate Sensor (GATT server).

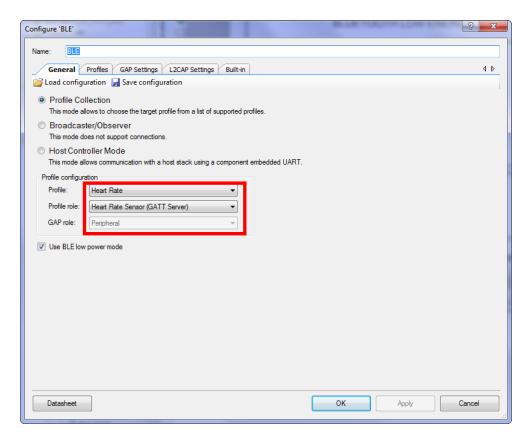


Figure 3: BLE Component Configuration – General Tab

4. BLE configuration – Profiles Tab

According to Table 1, assign the values to the Characteristics of the DIS. These values can be read on the GATT Client BLE device.

Table 1: Device Information Service Characteristics

Characteristic	Field	Value
Manufacturer Name String	Manufacturer Name	Cypress Semiconductor
Model Number String	Model Number	BLE Pioneer Kit
Serial Number String	Serial Number	1
Hardware Revision String	Hardware Revision	**
Firmware Revision String	Firmware Revision	1.0

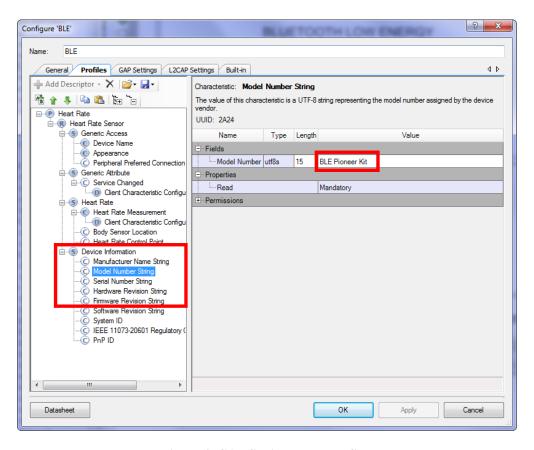


Figure 4: GAP Setting Tab - Profiles

5. BLE configuration – Others

The BLE component needs other configurations such as General, Peripheral Role and Security in GAP Settings Tag. Since these settings are the same to settings in Lab 2, I decided not to include this part in the Lab 3 report.

6. Opamp component

Place the Opamp Component and set the Mode to Follower.

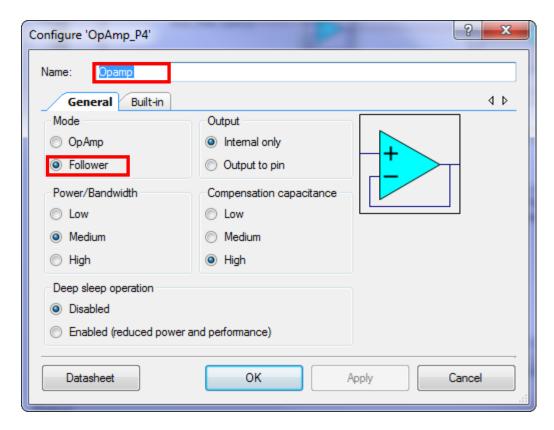


Figure 5: Opamp Component Configuration

7. ADC component

Place the Sequencing SAR ADC Component in the Analog Front End Sheet, and set it as shown in Figure 6 and Figure 7.

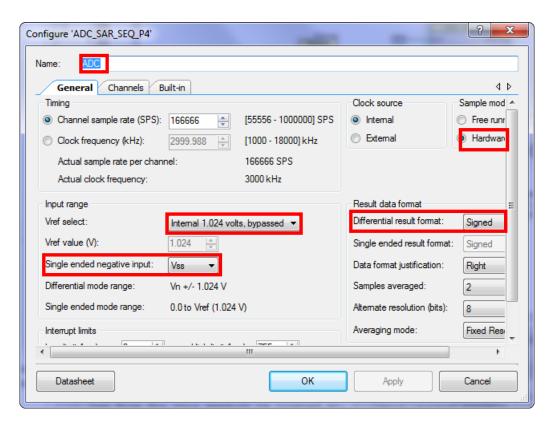


Figure 6: ADC General Settings

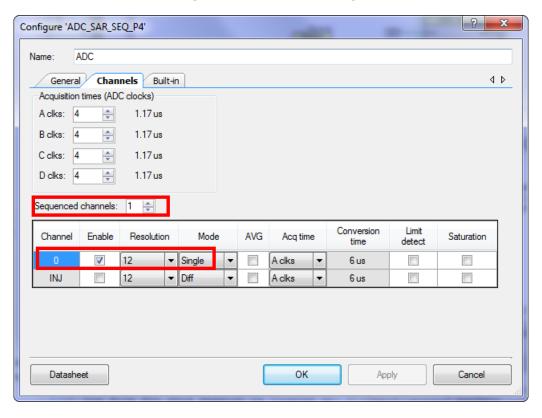


Figure 7: ADC Channel Settings

8. Complete the schematic

Add the Logic Low '0' Component to the schematic editor and connect its output to the soc input of the ADC Component. Connect the Heart_Rate_input pin terminal to the + input of the Opamp. Connect the output of the Opamp to the + input of the ADC. See Figure 8.

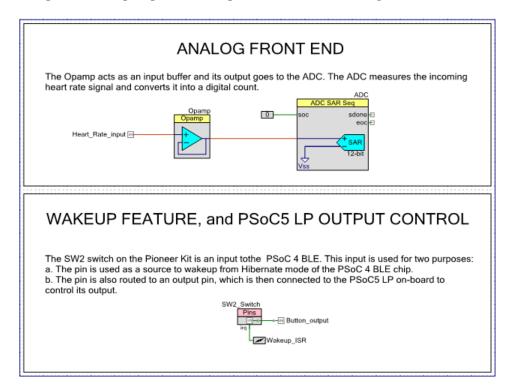


Figure 8: Analog Front End Sheet of the Schematic

9. DWR configuration

Now we're done with configuring the schematics of the BLE and the ADC component. We're going to configure the DWR file, which is a Design Wide Resources. The results are shown in Figure 9.

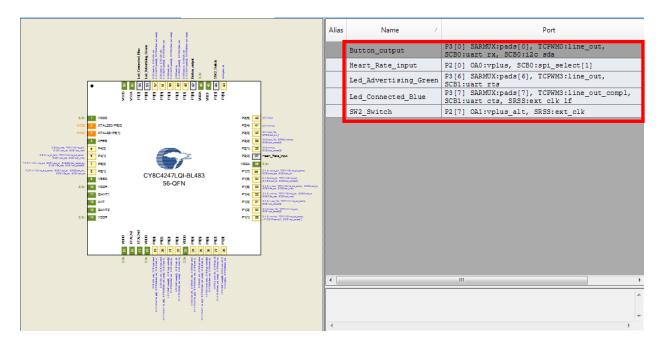


Figure 9: DWR Configuration

10. Build

Then we build the application to generate source code files, which will auto-complete the API names, variables and macro. Figure 10 shows that build is successful.

Figure 10: Successful Project Build

11. Program

Before connecting the kit to the PC, we should press the SW1 (Reset) switch, and at the same time plug in the kit's USB connector to the PC. This puts the kit into the bootloader mode, when the Status LED (LED 2) starts blinking at a frequency of 1 Hz.

Then we launched the Bootloader Host Tool and set parameters in VID.

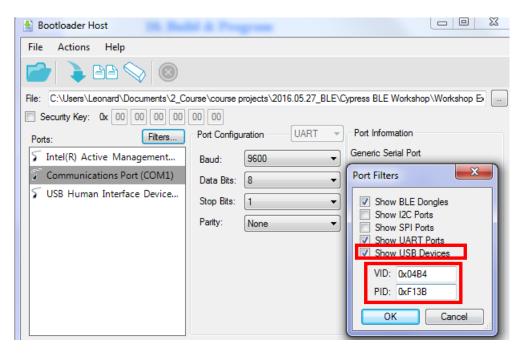


Figure 11: Adding a Device Filter in the Bootloader Host Tool

By selecting the USB Human Interface Device, we opened the bootloadable file named **KitProg_custom.cyacd**. We programmed the PSoc 5 on the kit using the Program menu item. The program log is shown in Figure 12.

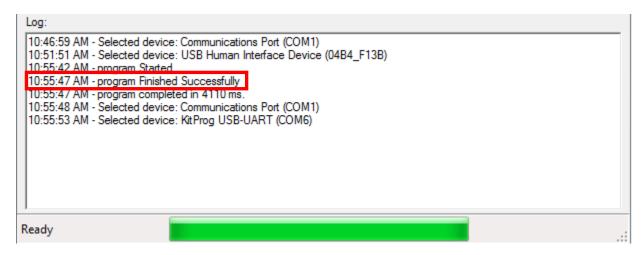


Figure 12: Successful Programmed to Kit

RESULTS

1. Firmware Flow

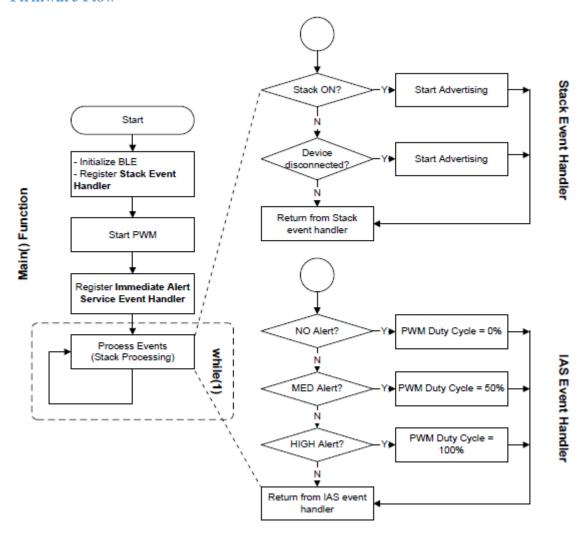


Figure 13: Firmware Flow

2. Testing: CySmart 1.1 Connection

We plugged the BLE-USB Bridge (included with the BLE Pioneer Kit) in my computer's USB port, and then launched CySmart 1.1. By connecting the Cypress BLE Dongle and using it to scan BLE device, we can find the BLE Pioneer Kit, as shown in Figure 14.

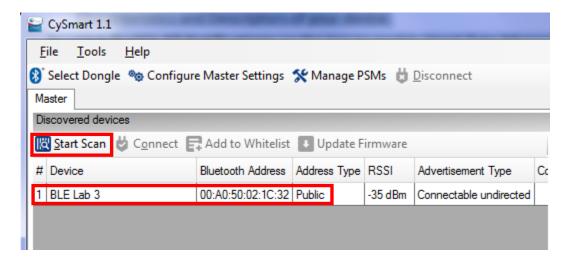


Figure 14: CySmart Scanning Results

3. Testing: HR notification

Upon connection, I clicked Discover All Attributes to list all the services, and then clicked Enable All Notification to enable Heart Rate Measurement Characteristic notifications. See Figure 15.

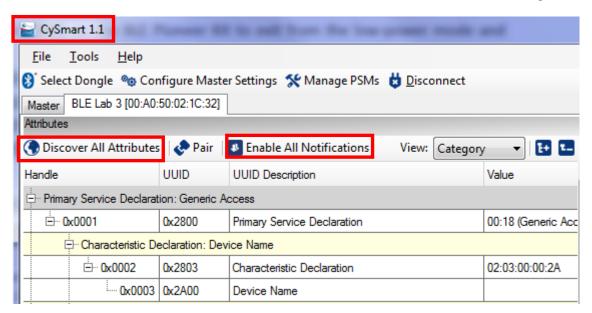


Figure 15: Heart Rate Characteristic Notifications

4. Testing: HR observation

The value of Heart Rate is updated very second. See Figure 16.

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Figure 16: Heart Rate Data in CySmart

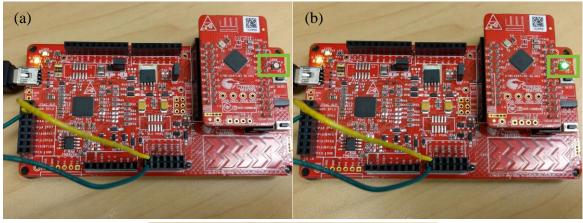
When I pressed the SW2 switch on the kit, I found it will change the heart rate values within a range of 60 - 115 bpm, as shown in Figure 17.

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0×000F	0x2902	Client Characteristic Configuration	01:00			

Figure 17: The results of pressing SW2

5. Testing: RGB LED observation

When the device is disconnected, the RGB LED turns off. Then, if I press the SW2 switch, the Green LED turns on indicating the device starts advertising again. When the device is connected with BLE, the Purple LED turns on showing the communication with BLE component. See the following Figure 18.



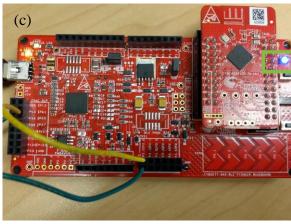


Figure 18: Different Status of LED such as (a) LED off in disconnection, (b) Green light in advertising, and (c) Purple light in communication

6. Restore PSoC 5

To restore the default firmware on PSoC 5, we need to use the PSoC Programmer. When it is opened, it detected the firmware installed on the PSoC 5 out of date and instructed me to upgrade the firmware. By following the instructions, I pressed the Upgrade Firmware button under the Utilities tab, as shown in Figure 19.

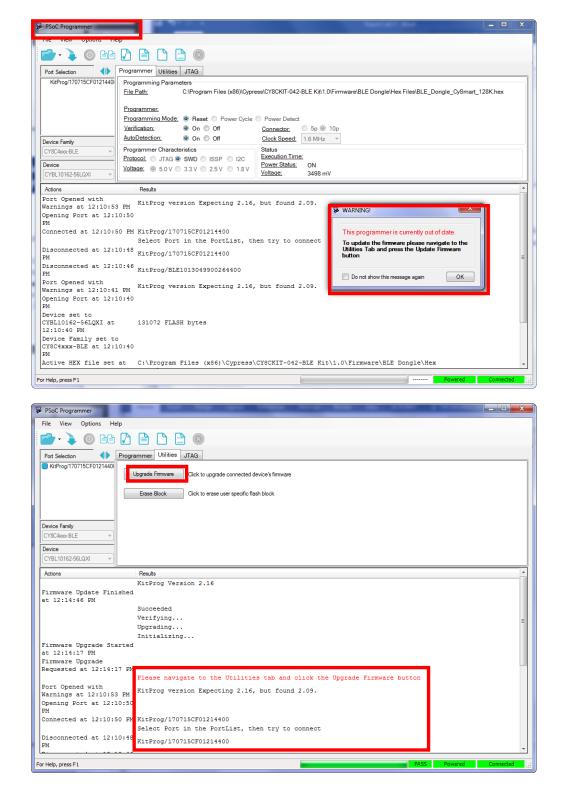


Figure 19: Restore PSoC 5 in the PSoC Programmer.

ADDITIONAL EXERCISES

1. Opamp configuration: Deep-Sleep mode

Double click the Opamp component in the schematic and enable the Deep-Sleep operation.

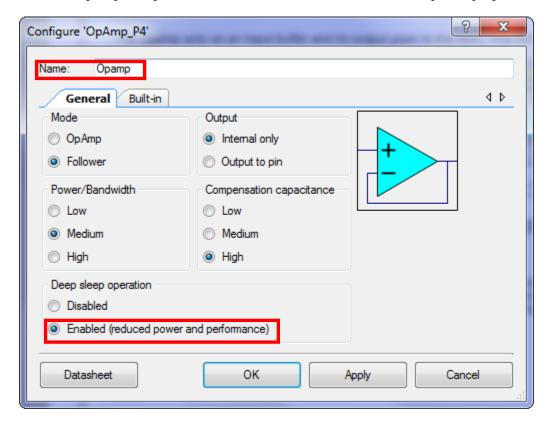


Figure 20: PWM & Clock Configuration

2. Update the Connection Interval to 1 second

As shown in the main.c file, the API function CyBle_L2capLeConnectionParamUpdateRequest() is used to control the connection interval.

Figure 21: API function CyBle_L2capLeConnectionParamUpdateRequest()

I changed the parameter named hrmConnectionParam to set the connection interval to 1 second. The first two values should be set as 100. See Figure 22.

Figure 22: Change the parameter to 1 second

CONCLUSIONS

By completing Lab 3, I learned how to reload and upgrade the firmware on PSoC 5 to realize the function of a Heart Rate Signal. In addition, the kit can be developed into a Heart Rate Sensor System, and it is specifically designed to consume energy as low as possible. Thus, I investigated the low energy consumption strategy in PSoC 5 kit, where a continuous Active-Deep-Sleep power mode cycle is applied. It automatically goes back to Deep-Sleep after the completion of the corresponding Receive/Transmit, or enters the Hibernate mode in a long advertising state.

The additional exercises 1 shows how to configure the kit to a Deep-Sleep mode in order to consume less energy. The second additional exercise shows more configuration options like connection interval, which is useful to apply the system in a specific case. The last additional exercise shows another method to generate heart pulse signal. The process can be found in the old edition of Lab 3, where a TCPWM component inside the PRoC BLE module is used to simulate the heart rate signal.