

# BLE Heart Rate Sensor

1.0

## Features

- BLE Heart Rate Service support in the GATT Server role
- Simulating the Heart Rate data
- Reporting the workflow status through UART
- LED status indication

## General Description

This example project demonstrates the BLE Heart Rate Sensor workflow. The project simulates Heart Rate data and performs communication with BLE enabled central/client device.

## Development Kit Configuration

Default CY8CKIT-042 BLE Pioneer Kit configuration,  
Connect J2 pin P3[0] to J3 pin VREF.

## Project Configuration

### BLE Heart Rate Sensor Example Project

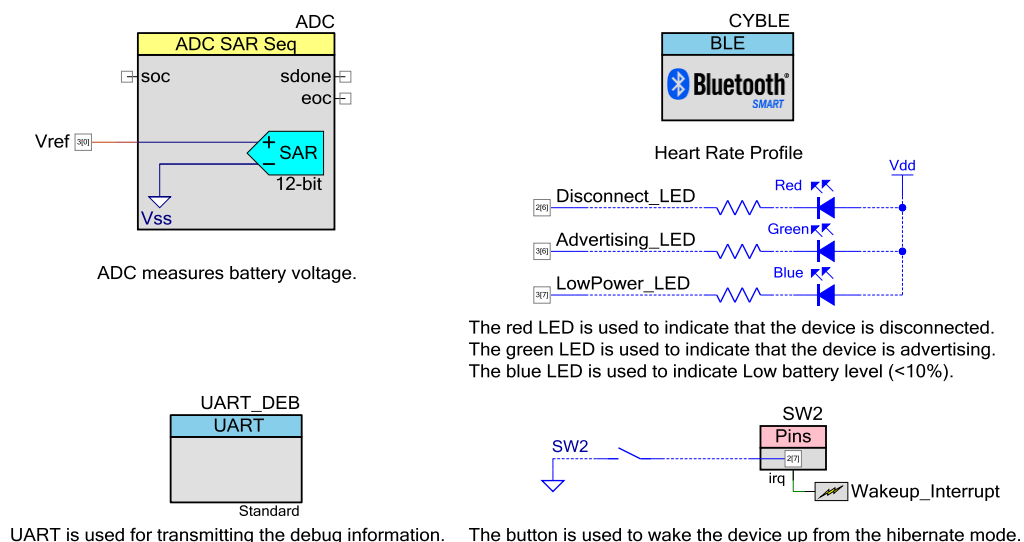


Figure 1. Top design schematic

The BLE component is configured as Heart Rate Sensor.

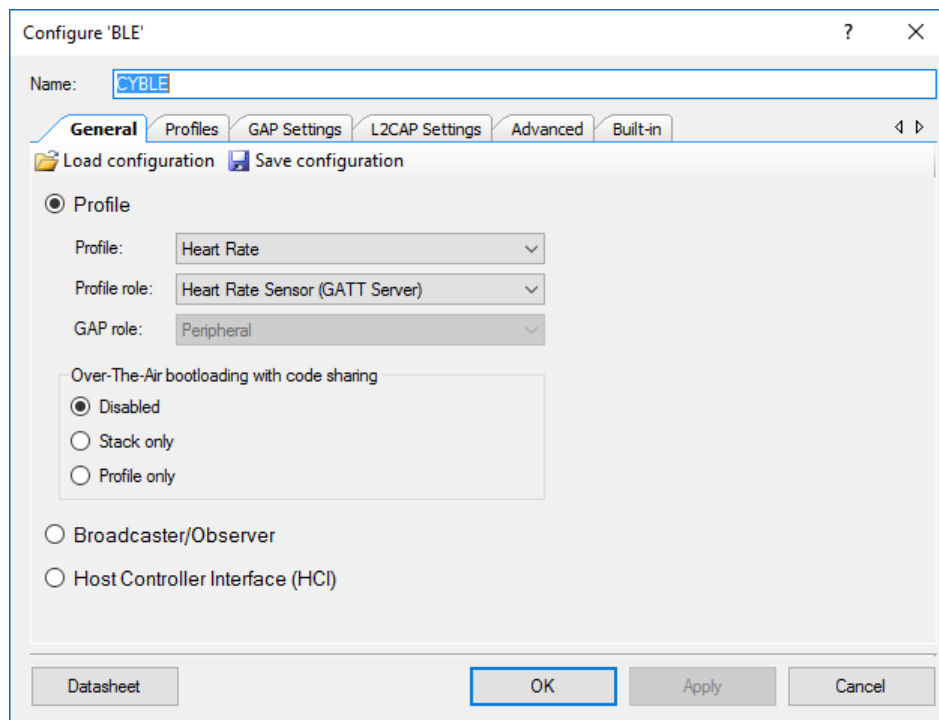


Figure 2. BLE configuration

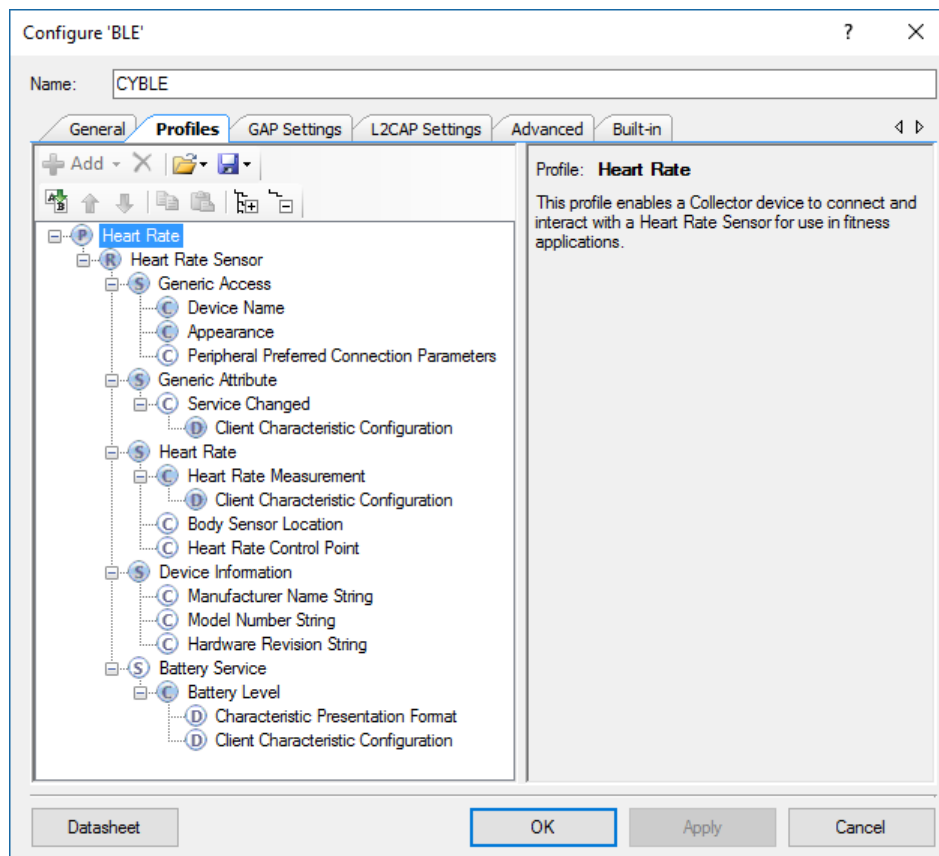


Figure 3. GATT settings

Configure 'BLE'

Name: CYBLE

General Profiles **GAP Settings** L2CAP Settings Advanced Built-in

General

- Peripheral role
  - Advertisement settings
  - Advertisement packet
  - Scan response packet
  - Peripheral preferred connection
  - Security

Device address

Public address (Company ID - Company assigned): 00A050-000006

☐ Silicon generated "Company assigned" part of device address

*You can use the user configuration section of the supervisory flash to store the public device address for mass production.*

Device name: Heart Rate Sensor

Appearance: Generic Heart Rate Sensor

Attribute MTU size (bytes): 23

Link layer max TX payload size (bytes): 27

Link layer max RX payload size (bytes): 27

Adv/Scan TX power level (dBm): 0

Connection TX power level (dBm): 0

☐ Enable Link Layer Privacy

Restore Defaults

Datasheet OK Apply Cancel

Figure 4. GAP settings

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Discovery mode: General

Advertising type: Connectable undirected advertising

Filter policy: Scan request: Any | Connect request: Any

Advertising channel map: All channels

Advertising interval

Fast advertising interval:

Minimum (ms): 20

Maximum (ms): 30

☒ Timeout (s): 30

☒ Slow advertising interval:

Minimum (ms): 1000

Maximum (ms): 2500

☒ Timeout (s): 150

Restore Defaults

Datasheet OK Apply Cancel

Figure 5. GAP settings -&gt; Advertisement settings

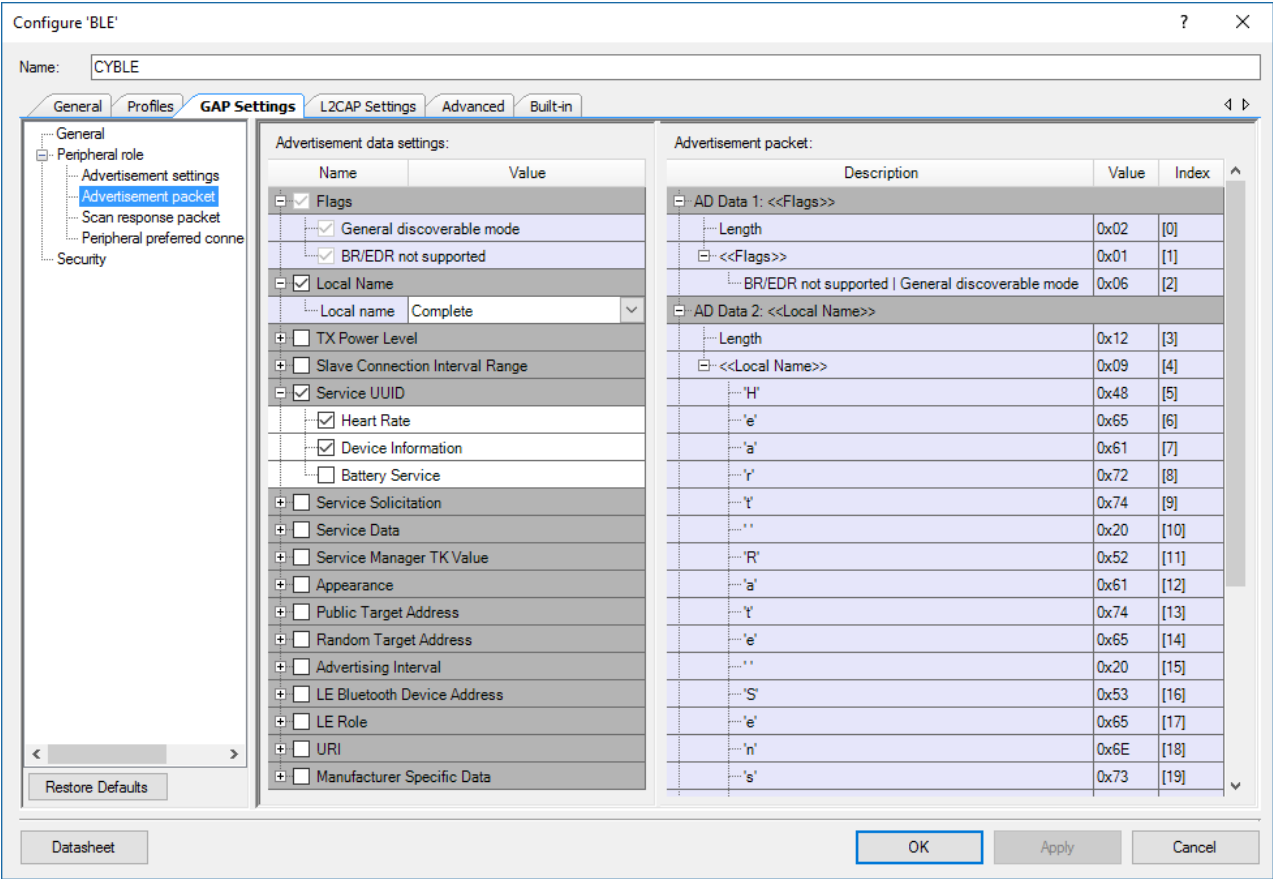


Figure 6. GAP settings -> Advertisement packet

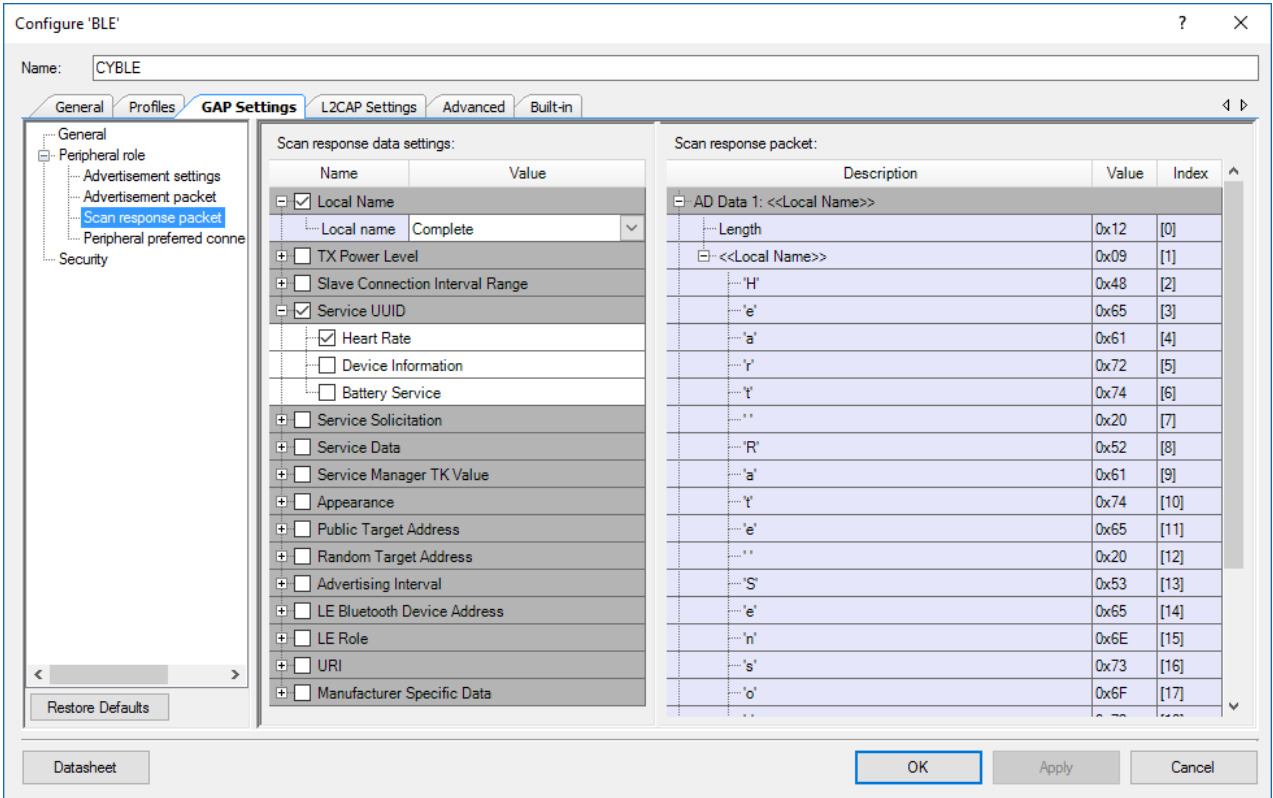


Figure 7. GAP settings -> Scan response packet

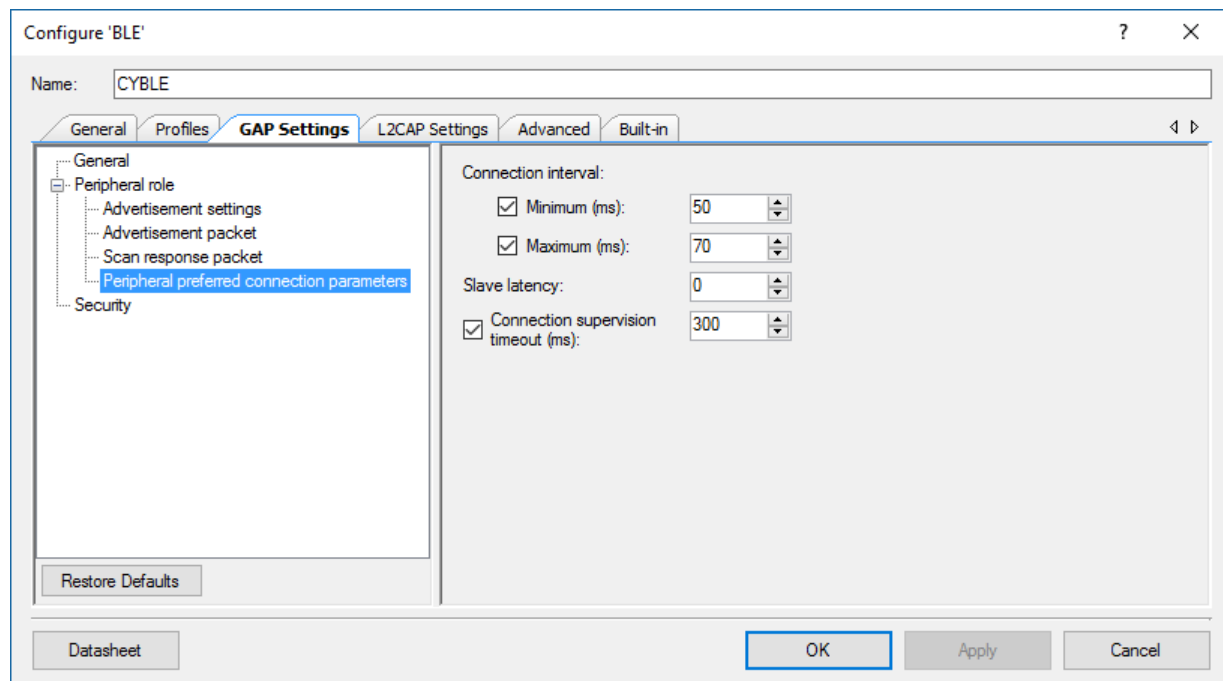


Figure 8. GAP settings -&gt; Peripheral preferred connection parameters

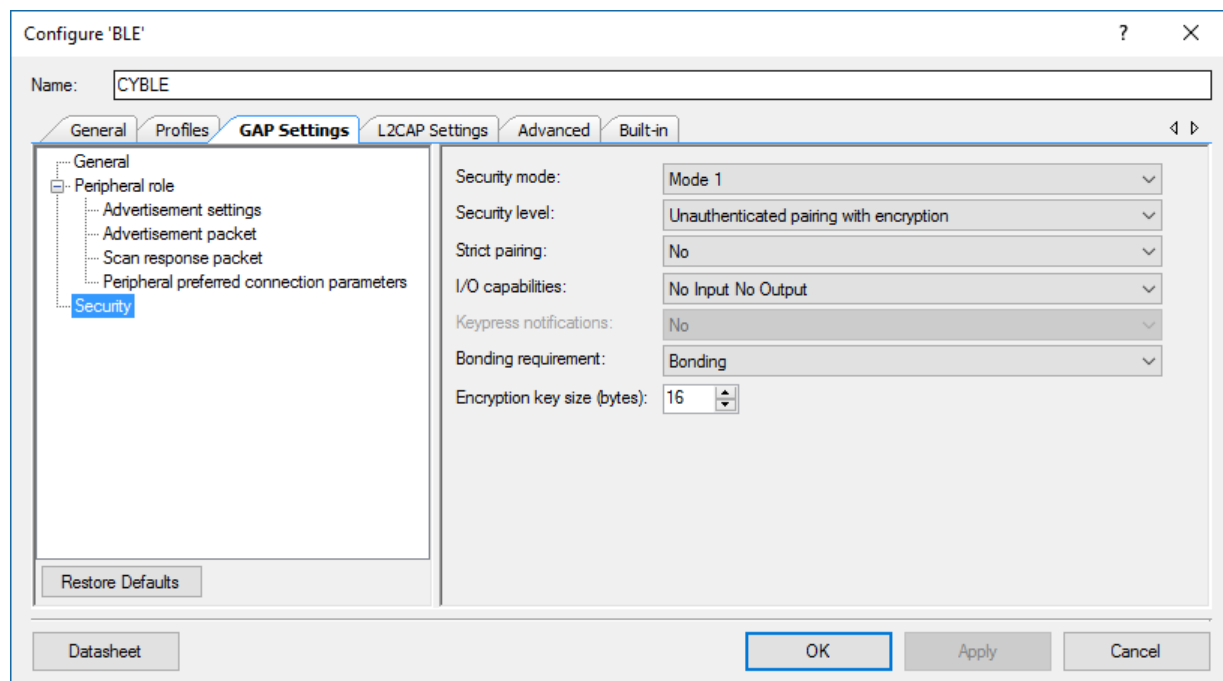


Figure 9. Security settings

## Project Description

The project demonstrates the BLE workflow procedures like advertising, connecting, notifying Heart Rate data, Battery Level, etc.

The project is designed so there is no need to initiate any of mentioned actions manually – it automatically starts the BLE Stack, then, when the Stack is on (STACK\_ON event is received), the advertising GAP procedure is initiated. The green LED is blinking while the device is advertising. Once connection request is received, it performs the connection procedure and provides its GATT database (configured in the GATT tab) for discovery process performed by client. The supported services are: Generic Access (GAP) and Attribute (GATT) Services, Heart Rate Service (HRS), Battery Service (BAS) and Device Information Service (DIS). When the Heart Rate notification is enabled by Client, the project starts to simulate all the Heart Rate Service related data (Heart Rate itself, Energy expended, RR-intervals). When the Battery Level notification is enabled by Client, the project starts to measure the voltage on Vref pin and notify the battery level. The WDT is used to timing the simulations, measurements and LED blinking. The blue LED turns on when the battery level value is less than 10%. The red LED is turned on after disconnection to indicate that no Client is connected to the device. On disconnection event the device immediately starts to advertising. When the device connects successfully, both red and green LEDs are turned off.

After 180 seconds timeout, if no central device has been connected, the Heart Rate Sensor stops advertising, a red LED is turned on indicating the disconnection state and the system enters into the hibernate mode. Press the mechanical button on CY8CKIT-042 BLE (SW2) to wake up the system and start re-advertising.

## Expected Results

The project sends the Heart Rate and Battery Level notifications to the Central Client device which can show them for user. LEDs are blinking as described in Project Description section.

The project is intended to work in pair with the BLE Heart Rate Collector Example Project.

However, it can work with any other BLE-compatible device (e.g. phone, tablet) with appropriate software (with e.g. Android, iOS with installed application which supports Heart Rate Profile). For instance, you can use CySmart mobile app ([Android](#) / [iOS](#)) as Heart Rate Service client:

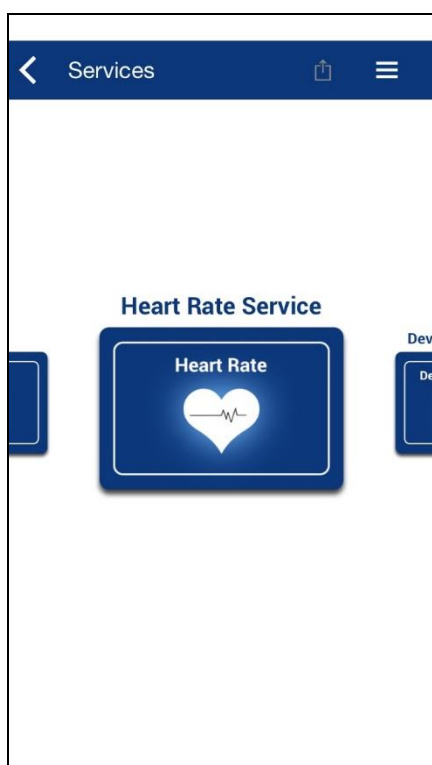


Figure 10. CySmart iOS app

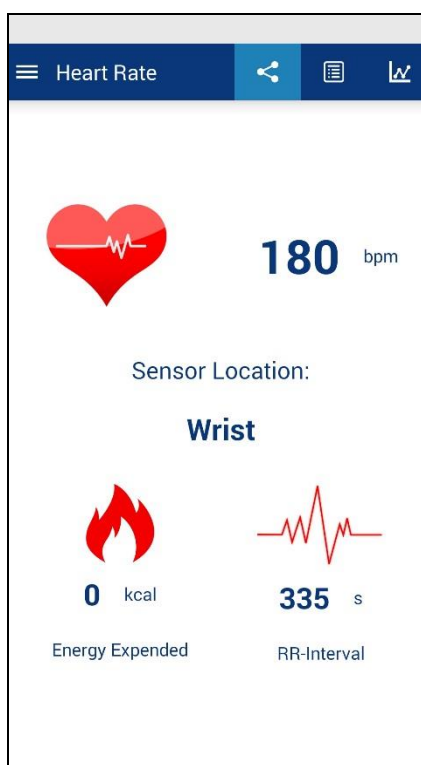


Figure 11. CySmart Android app

Also, the Heart Rate Sensor can be used together with [CySmart app for Windows](#). It is required to match the security settings between Heart Rate Sensor and CySmart Client and perform pairing (bonding) before any writing (enabling notifications etc.) into Server's GATT database. For further instructions on how to use CySmart application, see [CySmart User Guide](#).

The simple example how to use CySmart Windows application as Heart Rate Service client is the next:

- Connect the CySmart BLE dongle to a USB port on the PC.
- Launch CySmart app and select connected dongle in the dialog window.
- Reset the development kit to start advertising by pressing SW1 button.
- Click **Start Scan** button to discover available devices.
- Select **Heart Rate Sensor** in the list of available devices and connect to it.
- Click **Pair**, then **Discover All Attributes**, and **Enable All Notifications** in CySmart app.

Observe the Heart Rate Measurement characteristic notifications with simulated data:

The screenshot shows the PSoC Creator BLE configuration window for a Heart Rate Sensor. The 'Attributes' tab is active, displaying a list of service and characteristic declarations. The 'Heart Rate Measurement' characteristic (0x000E) is highlighted, and its 'Client Characteristic Configuration' (0x000F) is set to '01:00', indicating that notifications are enabled. Below the attributes, the 'Log' tab shows a series of 'Characteristic Value Notification' events received from the device, with the attribute handle 0x000E and various values. A red box highlights the log entries, and a red circle highlights the 'Heart Rate Measurement' characteristic in the attributes list.

Handle	UUID	UUID Description	Value	Properties
<b>Primary Service Declaration: Heart Rate</b>				
0x000C	0x2800	Primary Service Declaration	0D:18 (Heart Rate)	
<b>Characteristic Declaration: Heart Rate Measurement</b>				
0x000D	0x2803	Characteristic Declaration	10:0E:00:37:2A	
0x000E	0x2A37	Heart Rate Measurement	14:C0:38:01:39:01:3A:01	0x10
0x000F	0x2902	Client Characteristic Configuration	01:00	<- notification is enabled
<b>Characteristic Declaration: Body Sensor Location</b>				
0x0010	0x2803	Characteristic Declaration	02:11:00:38:2A	
0x0011	0x2A38	Body Sensor Location		0x02
<b>Characteristic Declaration: Heart Rate Control Point</b>				
0x0012	0x2803	Characteristic Declaration	08:13:00:39:2A	
0x0013	0x2A39	Heart Rate Control Point		0x08

**Log**

Clear Log Save Log

[12:59:42:051] 'Characteristic Value Notification' event received  
 Attribute Handle: 0x000E  
 Value: [16:9C:80:01:81:01]  
 [12:59:43:043] 'Characteristic Value Notification' event received  
 Attribute Handle: 0x000E  
 Value: [1C:A8:70:03:65:01:66:01]  
 [12:59:44:041] 'Characteristic Value Notification' event received  
 Attribute Handle: 0x000E  
 Value: [14:B4:4D:01:4E:01:4F:01]  
 [12:59:45:039] 'Characteristic Value Notification' event received  
 Attribute Handle: 0x000E  
 Value: [14:C0:38:01:39:01:3A:01]

The details about the Heart Rate Service characteristic data structures are in the [HRS Specification](#).

Optionally project can send log messages through UART. The example log is shown below:



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BLE Heart Rate Sensor Example Project
EVT_STACK_ON
Start Advertisement with addr: 00a050000006
EVT_ADVERTISING
EVT_GATT_CONNECT_IND: attId 0, bdHandle 4
EVT_GAP_DEVICE_CONNECTED: 4
EVT_GATTS_XCNHG_MTU_REQ
EVT_GAP_AUTH_REQEVT_GAP_ENCRYPT_CHANGE: 1
EVT_GAP_AUTH_COMPLETE: security:2, bonding:1, ekeySize:10, authErr 0
Heart Rate Measurement Notification is Enabled
Heart Rate Notification is sent successfully, Heart Rate = 72
Heart Rate Notification is sent successfully, Heart Rate = 84
Heart Rate Notification is sent successfully, Heart Rate = 96
Heart Rate Notification is sent successfully, Heart Rate = 108
Heart Rate Notification is sent successfully, Heart Rate = 120
Heart Rate Notification is sent successfully, Heart Rate = 132
Heart Rate Notification is sent successfully, Heart Rate = 144
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