

1 Introduction

The Over The Air Programming (OTAP) NXP's custom Bluetooth LE service provides the developers a solution to upgrade the software that the MCU contains. It removes the need of cables between the device to be upgraded (OTAP client) and the device that contains the new software (OTAP server).

The best way to take advantage of the OTAP service is to integrate it into the Bluetooth LE application. In that way, you can reprogram the device as many times as required.

This document is intended for developers who want to be familiar with the OTAP software.

2 OTAP client software

[OTAP memory management during the update process](#) describes the actual implementation of the OTAP client software included in the SDK package for FRDM-KW38. [Advantages of the OTAP service integration](#) explains the importance of integrating OTAP client software into your application and the expected results.

2.1 OTAP memory management during the update process

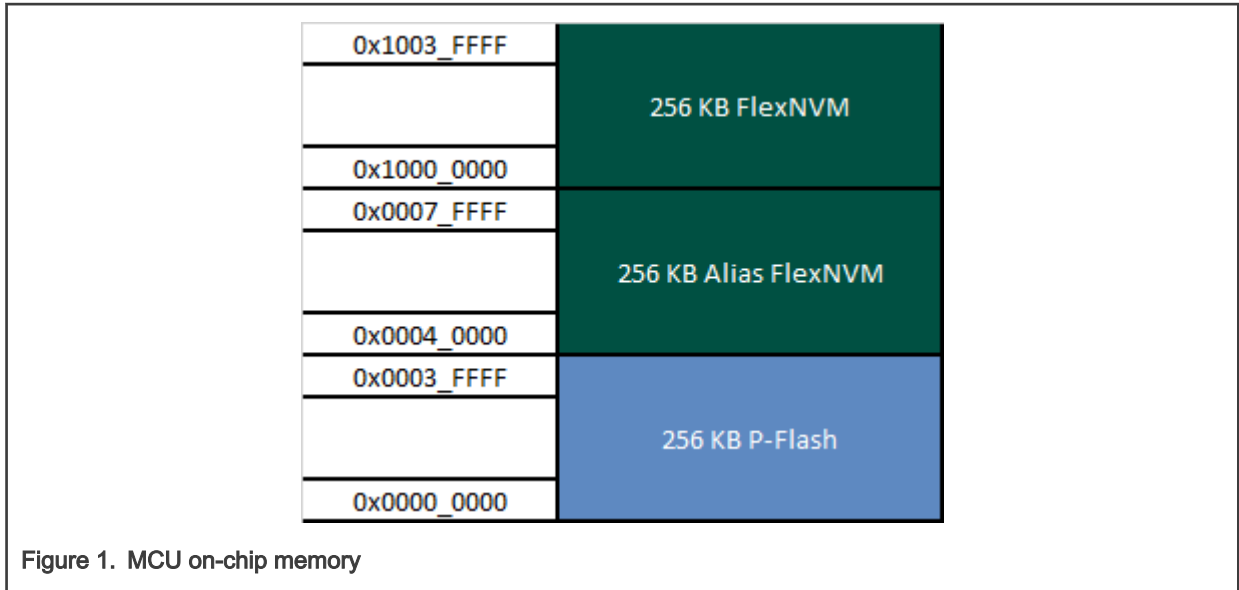
1. By default, the KW38 flash memory is partitioned in three main regions:

- One 256 KB Program Flash array (P-Flash) divided into 2 KB sectors with a flash address range from 0x0000_0000 to 0x0003_FFFF.
- One 256 KB FlexNVM array divided in 2 KB sectors with address range from 0x1000_0000 to 0x1003_FFFF.
- Alias memory with address range from 0x0004_0000 to 0x0007_FFFF. Writing or reading at the Alias range address modifies or returns the FlexNVM content respectively.

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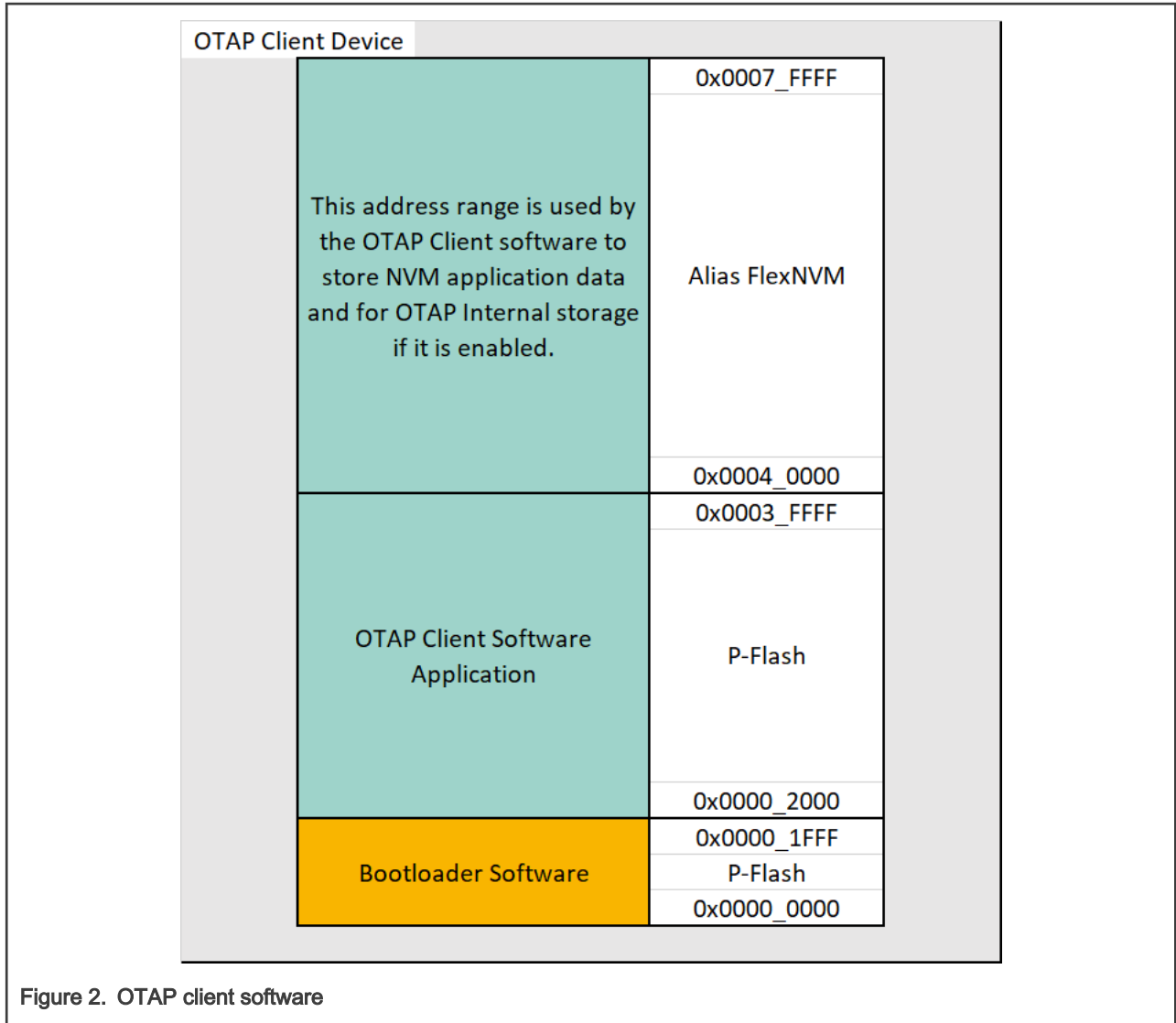
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2. The OTAP application splits the P-Flash into two independent parts, the OTAP bootloader and the OTAP client.
 - The OTAP bootloader verifies if there is a new image available in the OTAP client to reprogram the device.
 - The OTAP client software provides the Bluetooth LE custom service needed to communicate the OTAP client device with the OTAP server that contains the new image file.

Therefore, the OTAP client device needs to be programmed twice, first with the OTAP bootloader, and then with the Bluetooth LE application supporting OTAP client. The mechanism is created to have two different software coexisting in the same device and store each one in different memory regions. This is implemented by the linker file. In the KW38 device, the bootloader application has reserved an 8 KB slot of memory from 0x0000_0000 to 0x0000_1FFF, thus the rest of the memory is reserved, among other things, by the OTAP client application.



- When generating a new image file for the OTAP client device, the developer needs to specify that the code will be stored with an offset of 8 KB since the first addresses must be reserved for the bootloader, making use of the linker script. The new application should contain the Bootloader Flags at the corresponding address to work properly.

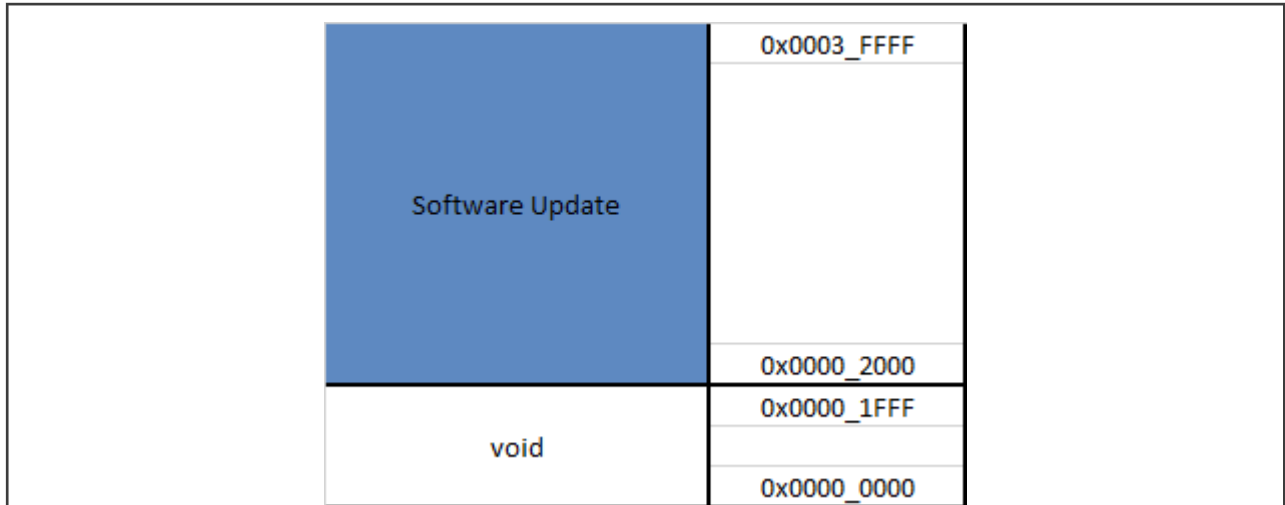


Figure 3. Software update

- At the connection state, the OTAP server sends the image packets, known as chunks, to the OTAP client via Bluetooth LE. The OTAP client can store these chunks in the external SPI flash (only available on FRDM-KW38 board), or in the on-chip FlexNVM region. The destination of the code is selectable in the OTAP client software.

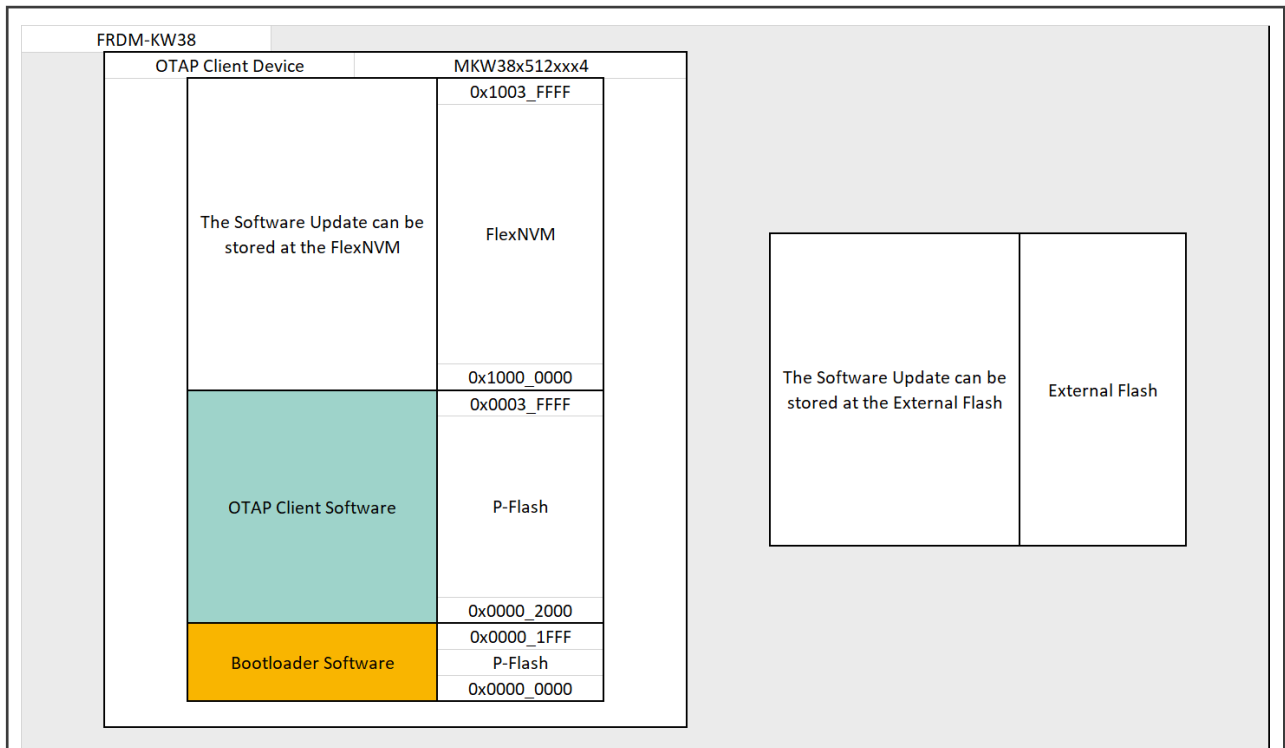


Figure 4. Storage of the software update

- When the transfer of the image has finished and all chunks were sent from the OTAP server to the OTAP client, the OTAP client software writes information, such as the source of the image update, external flash or FlexNVM, in a portion of memory known as Bootloader Flags, and then resets the MCU to execute the OTAP bootloader code. The OTAP bootloader reads the Bootloader Flags to get the information needed to program the device and triggers a command to reprogram the MCU with the new application. This is shown in the figure below.

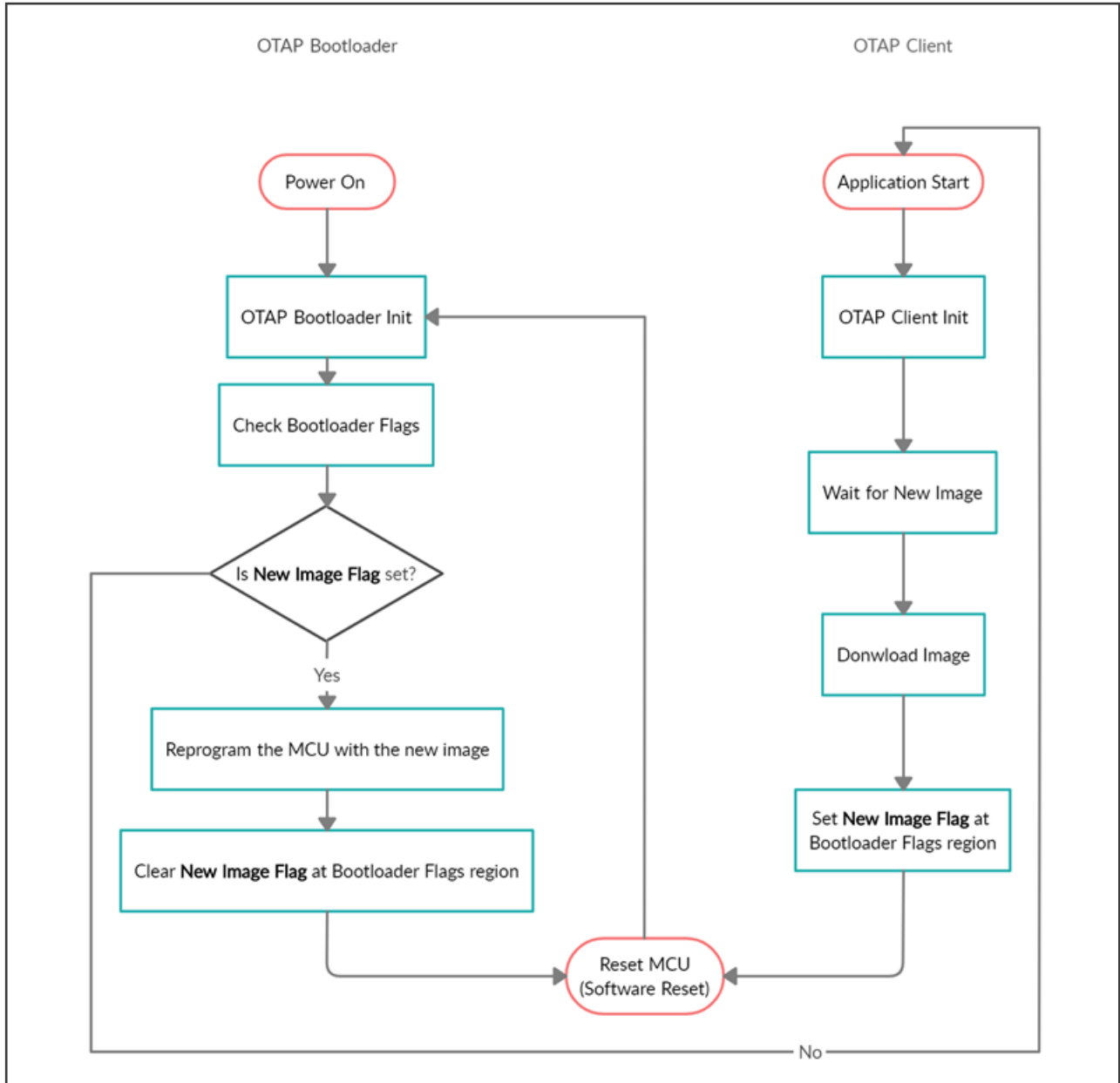


Figure 5. Simplified flow diagram of OTAP software

- As the new application was built with an offset of 8 KB, the OTAP bootloader programs the device starting from the `0x0000_2000` address and the OTAP client application is overwritten by the new image. Then the OTAP bootloader triggers a command to start the execution of the new image. If the new image does not contain the OTAP service included, the device is not able to be programmed again due to the lack of OTAP functionality. For more description, see [Advantages of the OTAP service integration](#).

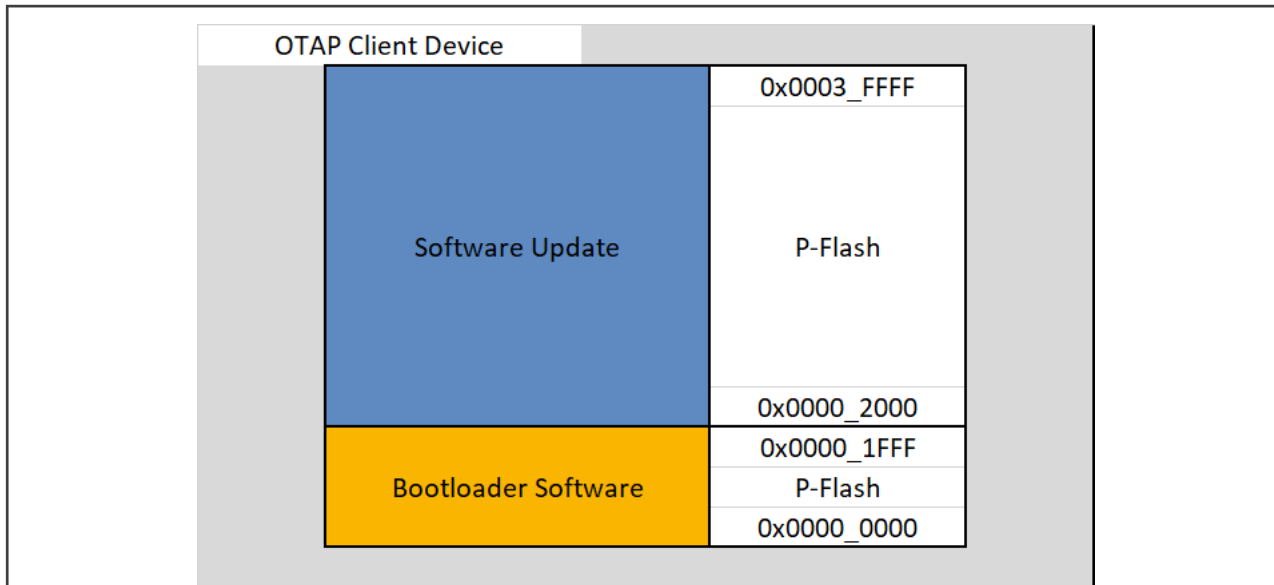


Figure 6. Memory content at the end of the software update process

NOTE

In practice, the boundary created between the OTAP client software and the software update addresses when the internal storage is enabled, is not placed exactly in the boundary of the P-Flash and FlexNVM memory regions. These values might change with linker settings. You can inspect the effective memory addresses in your project.

2.2 Advantages of the OTAP service integration

As explained in [OTAP memory management during the update process](#), the OTAP client software can reprogram the device only once, because it is overwritten by the new application.

Suppose that an OTAP client device is programmed with the OTAP client software and this device requests an update, for example, a Heart Rate Sensor (HRS). The image that the OTAP server sends to the OTAP client must be the HRS. After the reprogramming process, the device that was the OTAP client, now, has turned into an HRS. The HRS does not have the capabilities to communicate with the OTAP server and request for another update. But if the HRS image had included the OTAP client service as well, the device would have the possibility to request another software update, for example, a modified Glucose Sensor with OTAP Service.

As the Glucose Sensor software includes the OTAP client, the device can request another software update from the OTAP server. That way, the developer can continue upgrading the software as many times as needed. In other words, to be able to upgrade the software on the OTAP client device in the future, the application sent over the air should include OTAP service support.

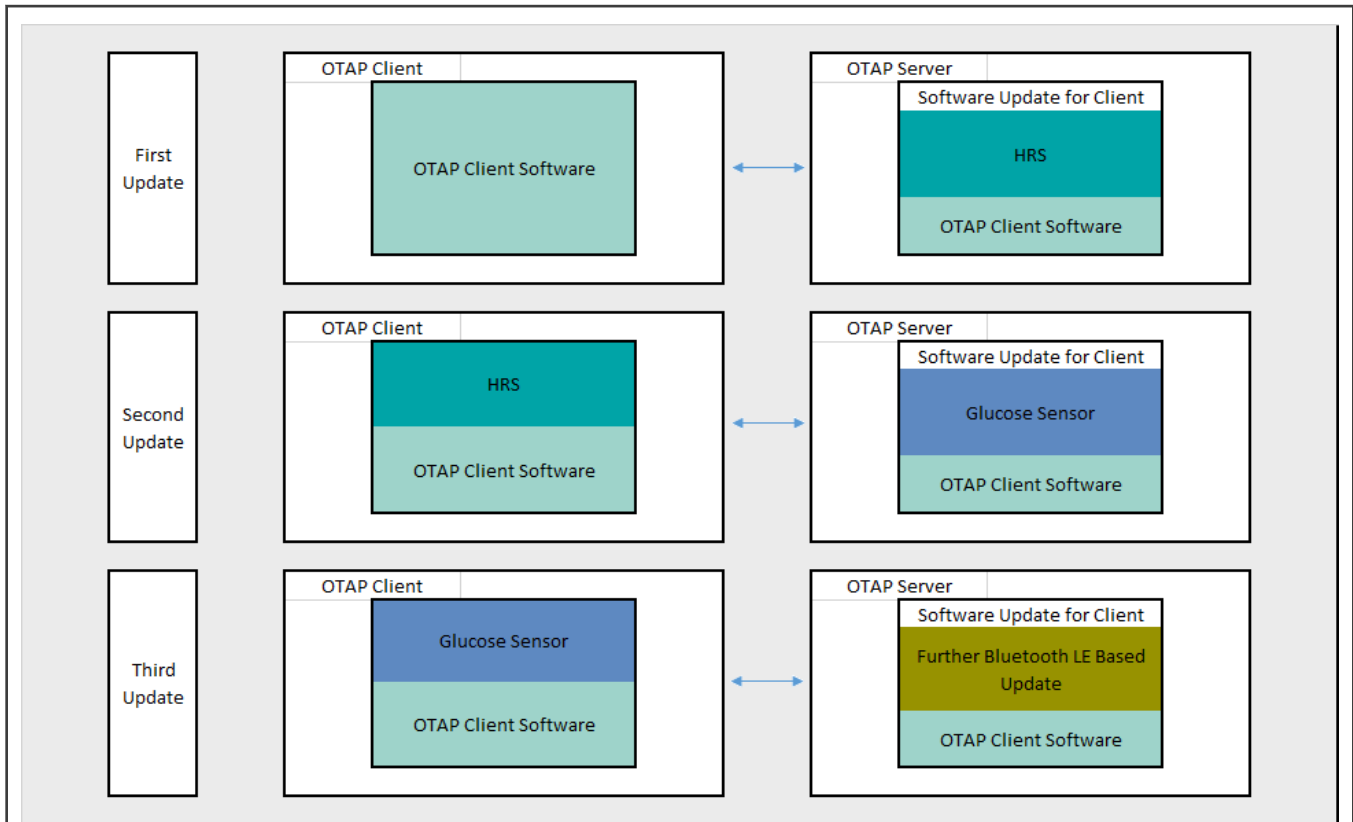


Figure 7. OTAP integration functionality example

This application note is intended as guidance to add the OTAP service to a Bluetooth LE application.

3 Prerequisites

This document is provided together with a functional demo of the OTAP service integration. The example is based on the HRS project, available in the FRDM-KW38 SDK package and developed on the MCUXpresso IDE platform. The following are required to complete the implementation of the HRS-OTAP integration demo:

- MCUXpresso IDE v11.0.0 or later
- FRDM-KW38 SDK
- HRS – OTAP demo package
- FRDM-KW38 board
- A smartphone with IoT Toolbox NXP app, available for [Android](#) and [iOS](#).


3.1 Downloading and installing the software development kit

This chapter provides all the steps needed to download the SDK for the FRDM-KW38 used as a starting point.

1. Navigate to the [MCUXpresso](#) website.
2. Click **Select Development Board**. Log in with your registered account.
3. In the **Search by Name** field, search for **FRDM-KW38**. Then click the suggested board and click **Build MCUXpresso SDK**.

Select Development Board

Search for your board or kit to get started.



Search by Name

FRDM-KW38

Select a Board, Kit, or Processor

- Boards
 - FRDM-KW38 (MKW38A512xxx4)
- Kits
- Processors
- Others

Name your SDK

SDK_2.6.5_FRDM-KW38

Hardware Details

Board	FRDM-KW38
Device	MKW38A4
Core Type / Max Freq	Cortex-M0P / 48MHz
Device Memory Size	512 KB Flash 64 KB RAM

Actions

- Build MCUXpresso SDK
- Explore selection with Pins tool
- Explore selection with Clocks tool

Figure 8. Building the FRDM-KW38 SDK package

4. Select **MCUXpresso IDE** in the **Toolchain/IDE** combo box. Select the supported OS and provide the name to identify the package in your MCUXpresso Dashboard.

SDK Builder

Generate a downloadable SDK archive for use with desktop MCUXpresso Tools.

Developer Environment Settings
Selections here will impact files and examples projects included in the SDK and Generated Projects

SDK Version: 2.6.7 2020-09-10 REL_2.6.0_KW37A_MR1_QPATCH

Toolchain / IDE: MCUXpresso IDE

Host OS: Windows

Filter by Name, Category, or Description...

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☑	mcu-boot	Middleware	mcu-boot	
☑	Wireless BLE stack	Middleware	BLE	CMSIS DSP Library
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This MCUXpresso SDK configuration is available for direct download

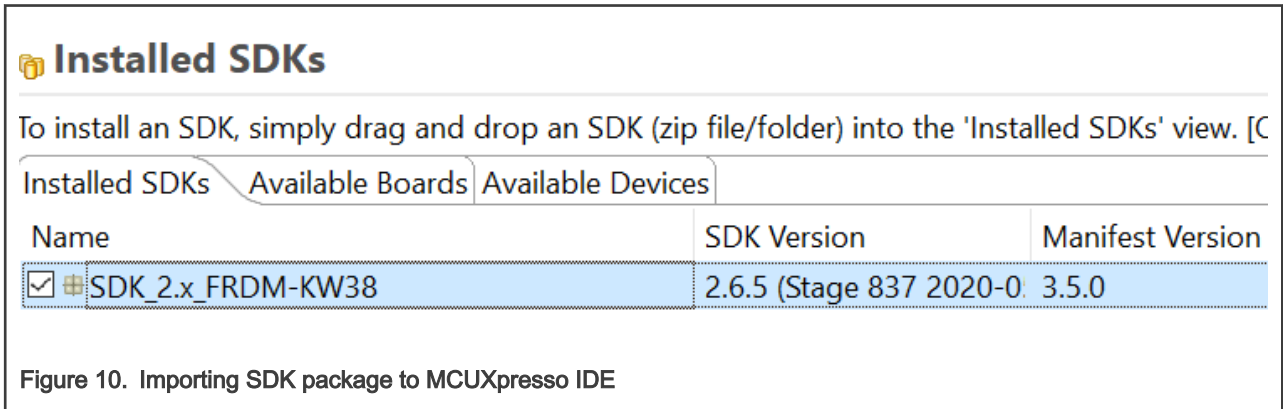
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Figure 9. Customizing the installation settings

5. Click **Download SDK** and it will take a few minutes until the system gets the package into your account on the MCUXpresso web page. Read and accept the license agreement. The SDK download starts automatically on your PC.
6. Open MCUXpresso IDE. Drag and drop the FRDM-KW36 SDK zip in the **Installed SDK's** list.



Now, you have downloaded and installed the SDK package for the FRDM-KW38 board.

4 Customizing a based Bluetooth LE demo to integrate the OTAP service

The following steps describe the process of customizing a Bluetooth LE demo imported from the SDK to integrate the OTAP service. This guide uses a Heart Rate Sensor project (HRS) as a starting point, so some steps may differ for another Bluetooth LE SDK example.

4.1 Importing the OTAP Bluetooth LE service and framework software into the HRS project

To integrate the OTAP client service in your application, you will need to import additional software that is not included in other SDK examples by default. Hence, the first step consists in to make a comparison between your project and the OTAP client SDK project to locate which files you will need to merge in your project to support this service in your application. A comparison between the HRS (left) and the OTAP client (right) is shown in [Figure 11](#). Files and folders highlighted in red are part of the OTAP client software, but not in the HRS. Consequently, we need to incorporate these files in our HRS example to add the OTAP feature in this project. If you are interested in adding OTAP to other Bluetooth LE SDK projects or in your custom Bluetooth LE project, you need to look for the missing files and incorporate them following the same methodology described in this example.

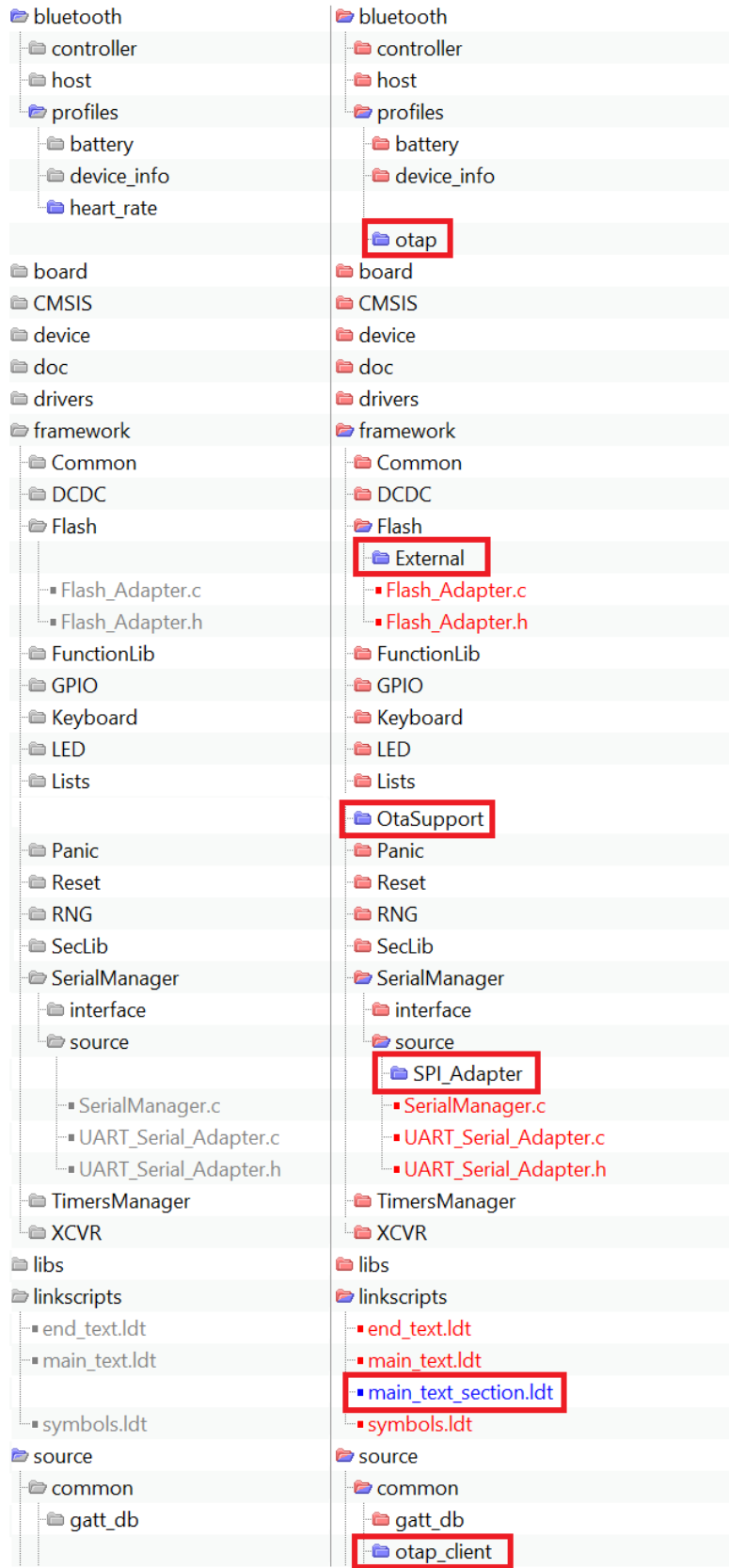


Figure 11. Source tree comparison

The folders and files that are in OTAP but not in HRS, must be imported in your HRS project. For instance, in [Figure 11](#), the followings are required to be imported:

- **bluetooth** -> **profiles** -> **otap**
- **framework** -> **Flash** -> **External**
- **framework** -> **OtaSupport**
- **framework** -> **SerialManager** -> **source** -> **SPI_Adapter**
- **source** -> **common** -> **otap_client**
- **linkscripts** -> **main_text_section.ltd**

To include these folders and source files in your project, perform the following steps.

1. Expand the **bluetooth** and **framework** folders in your workspace. Select the folder needed for updates and click the right mouse button. Select **New** -> **Folder**. The **Folder** window appears to provide the same name as the missing folder in the source directory, as shown in [Figure 12](#).

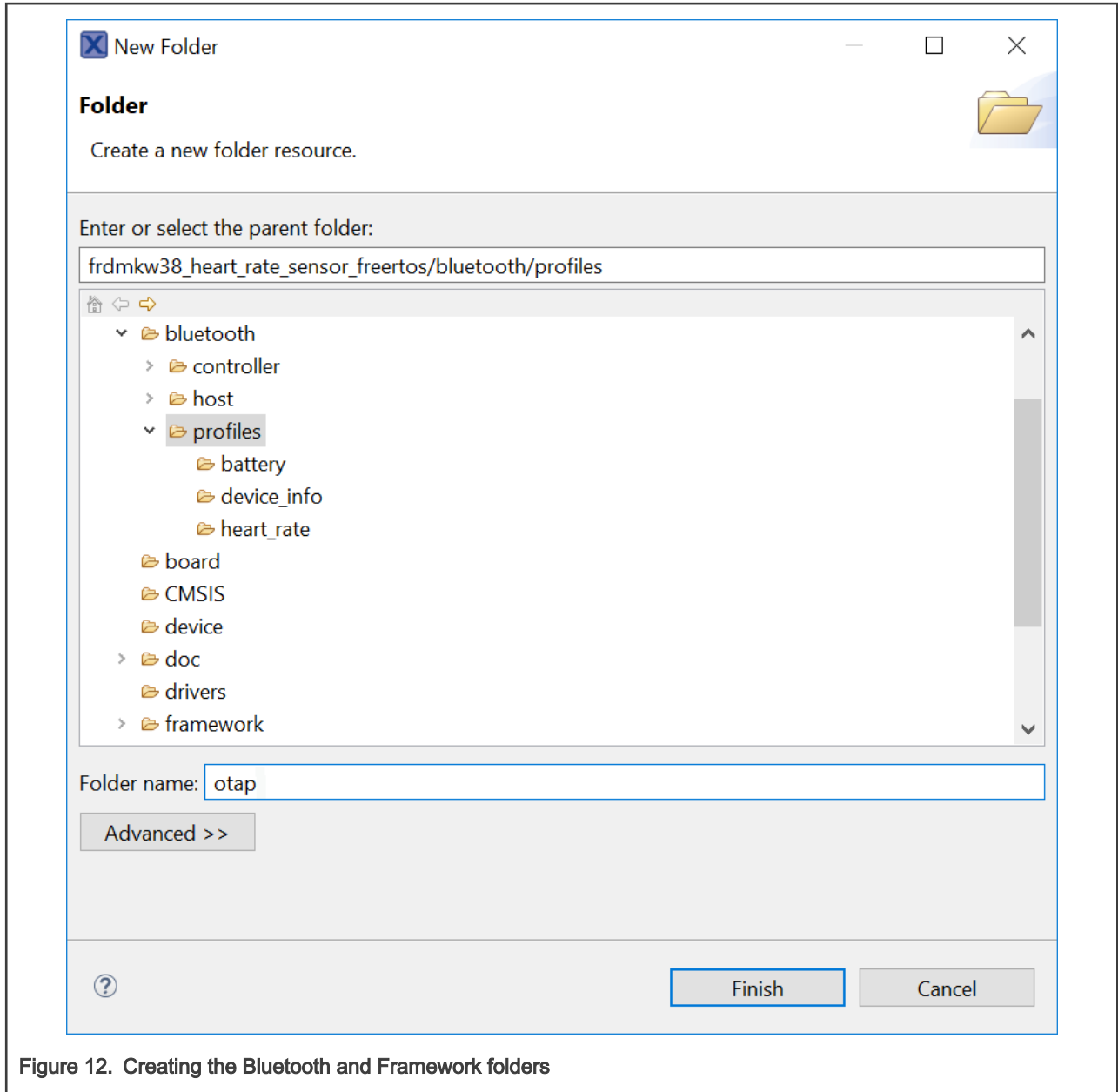


Figure 12. Creating the Bluetooth and Framework folders

2. Repeat [Step 1](#) for the left folders. The result look similar as [Figure 13](#).



Figure 13. HRS directory updated

- Copy the files inside all the recently created folders from the OTAP client and save it into your project. Ensure that all the files are in the same folder from the HRS side. For this example, these files are listed as below.
 - otap_interface.h and otap_service.c in the bluetooth -> profiles -> otap folder.

- Eeprom.h in the **framework** -> **Flash** -> **External** -> **Interface** folder.
- Eeprom source files in the **framework** -> **Flash** -> **External** -> **Source** folder.
- OtaSupport.h in the **framework** -> **OtaSupport** -> **Interface** folder.
- OtaSupport.c in the **framework** -> **OtaSupport** -> **Source** folder.
- SPI_Serial_Adapter.h and SPI_Serial_Adapter.c in the **framework** -> **SerialManager** -> **source**-> **SPI_Adapter** folder.
- main_text_section.ldt in **linkscripts** folder.
- ota_client.h and ota_client.c in the **source** -> **common** -> **ota_client** folder.

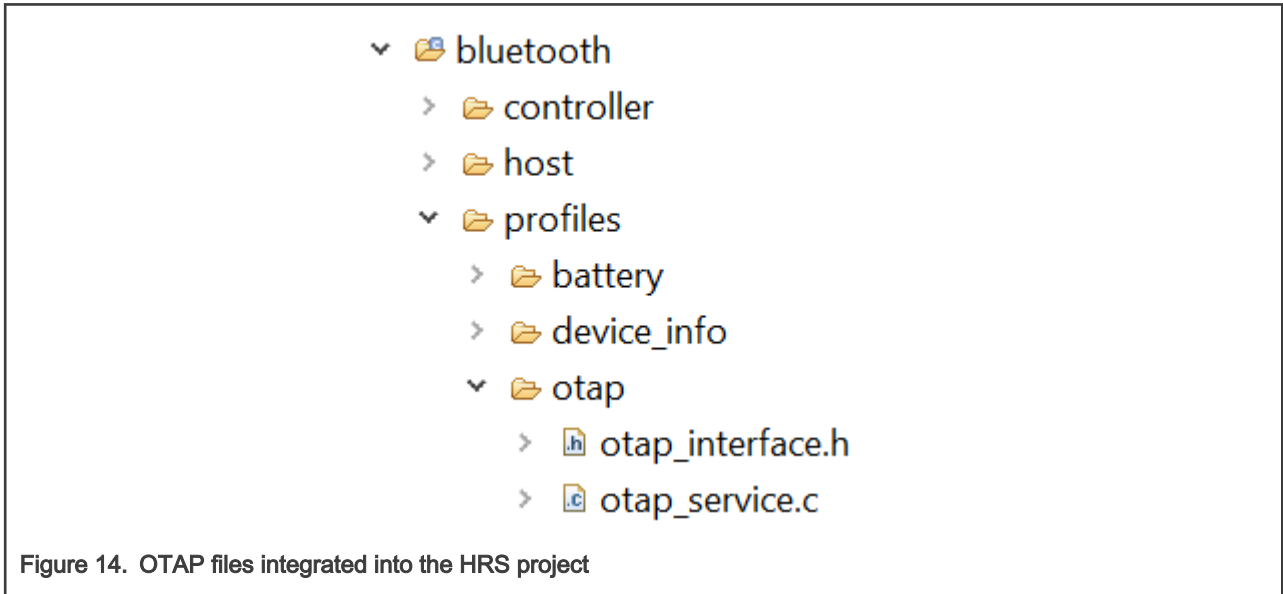


Figure 14. OTAP files integrated into the HRS project

4. Navigate to **Project** -> **Properties** in MCUXpresso IDE. Go to **C/C++ Build** -> **Settings** -> **Tool Settings** -> **MCU C Compiler** -> **Includes**. Click the icon next to the **Include paths** textbox, as shown in [Figure 15](#). In the new window that appears, click the **Workspace** button.

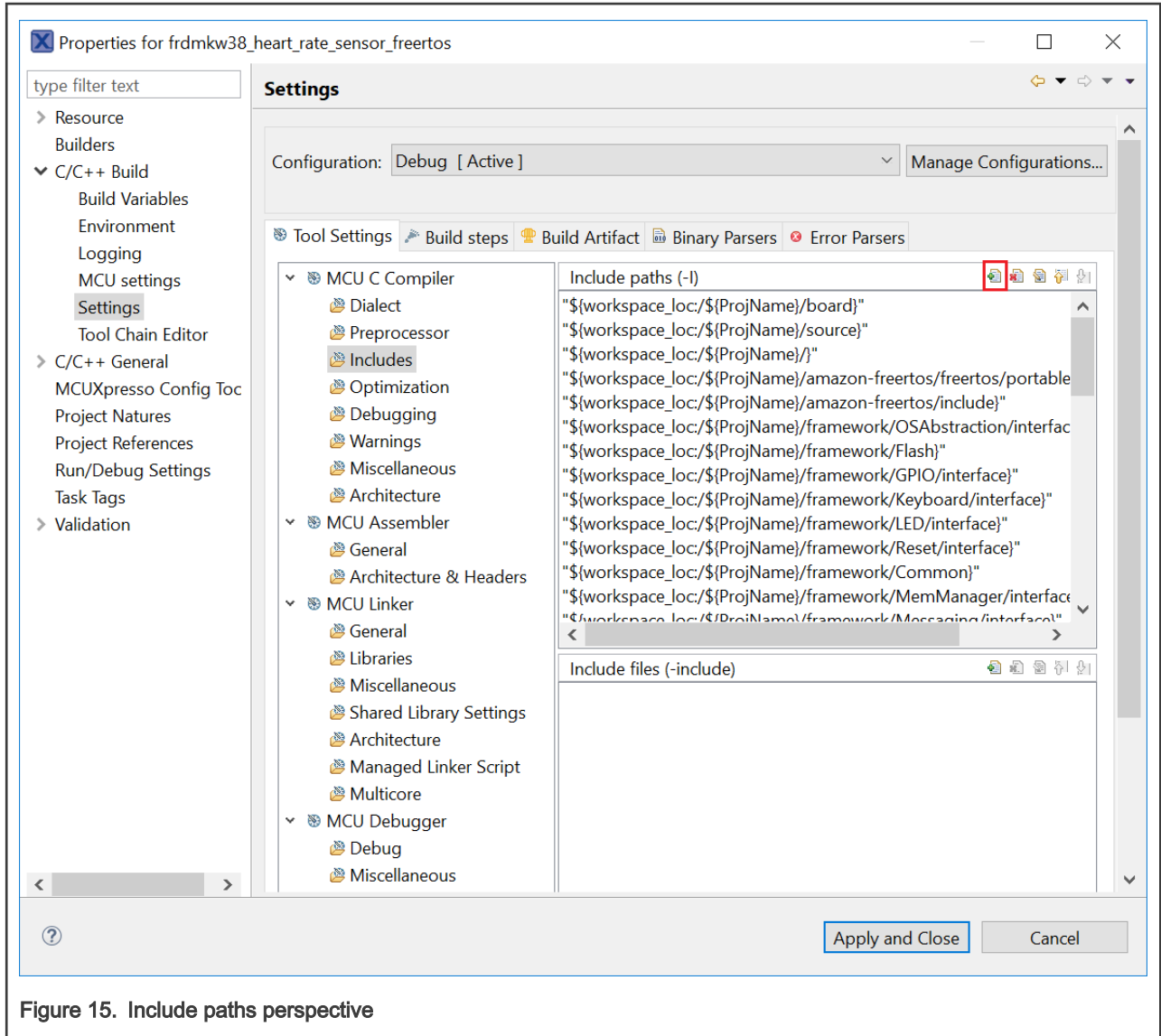


Figure 15. Include paths perspective

5. Deploy your directory tree in the folder selection window. Select the following folders and click **OK** to save the changes.
 - **bluetooth -> profiles -> otap**
 - **framework -> Flash -> External -> Interface**
 - **framework -> OtaSupport -> Interface**
 - **framework -> SerialManager -> source -> SPI_Adapter**
 - **source -> common -> otap_client**

Ensure that these paths were imported onto the **Include paths** view.

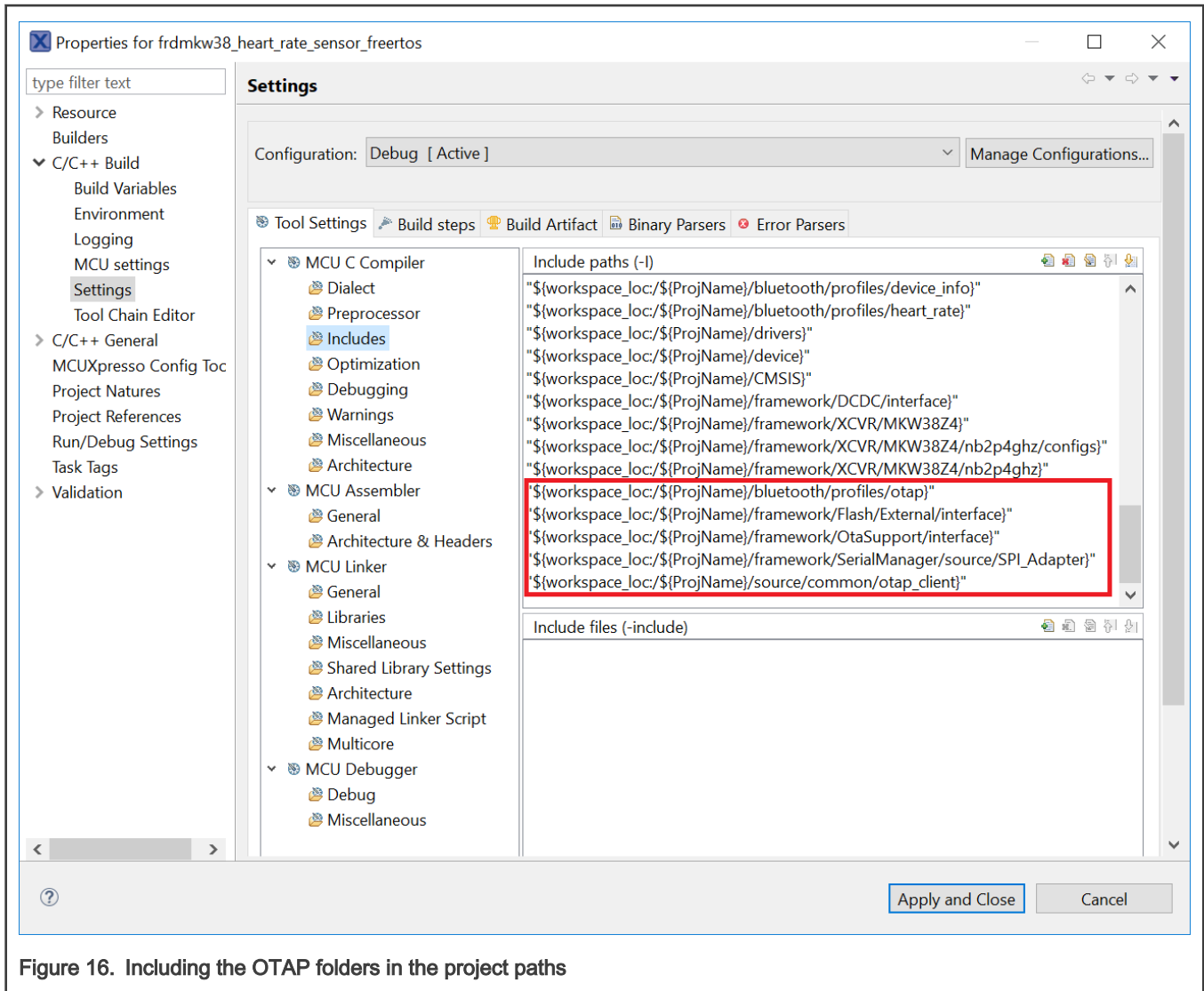


Figure 16. Including the OTAP folders in the project paths

At this point, you have included the OTAP client Bluetooth and Framework services in the HRS project.

4.2 Main modifications in the source files

Once you have included the OTAP client folders and files in your custom project, the next step is to inspect the differences between the source files of the OTAP client and your Bluetooth LE application and add the code needed to integrate the OTAP Service. The following sections explain the main aspects that you should focus on.

4.2.1 pin_mux.h and pin_mux.c

These files contain the pin initialization routines. You can find *pin_mux.c* and *pin_mux.h* files at the board folder in your project. As the OTAP Client makes use of the SPI protocol to download the software update on the external flash, when the external storage method is selected, you must add the following codes, which are the initialization of the pins for this module.

- `pin_mux.h`

```
void BOARD_InitSPI(void);
```


- `pin_mux.c`

```
void BOARD_InitSPI(void)
{
    /* Port C Clock Gate Control: Clock enabled */
    CLOCK_EnableClock(kCLOCK_PortC);
    /* PORTC16 (pin 45) is configured as SPI0_SCK */
    PORT_SetPinMux(PORTC, 16U, kPORT_MuxAlt2);
    /* PORTC17 (pin 46) is configured as SPI0_SOUT */
    PORT_SetPinMux(PORTC, 17U, kPORT_MuxAlt2);
    /* PORTC18 (pin 47) is configured as SPI0_SIN */
    PORT_SetPinMux(PORTC, 18U, kPORT_MuxAlt2);
    /* PORTC19 (pin 48) is configured as SPI0_PCS0 */
    PORT_SetPinMux(PORTC, 19U, kPORT_MuxAlt2);
}
```

4.2.2 `app_preinclude.h`

The `app_preinclude.h` file contains many preprocessor directives that configure some functionalities of the project, such as low power enablement, DCDC configuration, Bluetooth LE security definitions, and the hardware configuration macros. The OTAP client software requires some definitions that are not included for other Bluetooth LE SDK projects. The following definitions must be included in your software update.

- `gEepromType_d`
- `gEepromParams_WriteAlignment_c`
- `gOtapClientAtt_d`

The OTAP HRS demo, sets the following values:

1. `gEepromType_d`: Defines the storage method between the AT45DB041E external flash on the FRDM-KW38 board (default value) or the FlexNVM on-chip memory. You can also select among other memory devices for custom boards, by referring to the list of EEPROM devices in the `Eeprom.h` header file at `framework/Flash/External/Interface`.

```
/* Specifies the type of EEPROM available on the target board */
#define gEepromType_d gEepromDevice_AT45DB041E_c
```

2. `gEepromParams_WriteAlignment`: Defines the offset of the software update for programming. Do not modify the default value.

```
/* Eeprom Write alignment for Bootloader flags. */
#define gEepromParams_WriteAlignment_c 8
```

3. `gOtapClientAtt_d`: It sets the ATT transference method for OTA updates. It must be set to 1 for own purpose.

```
#define gOtapClientAtt_d 1
```

4.2.3 `app_config.c`

The `app_config.c` source file contains some structures that configure the advertising and scanning parameters and data. It also contains the access security requirements for each service in the device.

The advertising data announces the list of services that the Bluetooth LE advertiser device (HRS – OTAP) contains. This information is used by the Bluetooth LE scanner, to filter out the advertiser devices that do not contain the services required. Hence, you must include the OTAP client service in the advertising data, to announce to the OTAP server, the availability of this service.

This is done at the scan response data as shown in the code below.

```
static const gapAdStructure_t scanResponseStruct[1] = {
    {
        .length = NumberOfElements(uuid_service_otap) + 1,
        .adType = gAdIncomplete128bitServiceList_c,
        .aData = (uint8_t *)uuid_service_otap
    }
};
gapScanResponseData_t gAppScanRspData =
{
    NumberOfElements(scanResponseStruct),
    (void *)scanResponseStruct
};
```

NOTE

As the OTAP client service is announced in the scan response, you must ensure that the OTAP server device is configured to perform active scanning. This is already done by the IoT Toolbox App, but the OTAP server SDK example does not. You can change the scanning settings of the OTAP server SDK example at the *app_config.c* file in the *gScanParams* struct.

Additionally, you need to include the access security requirements for the OTAP service. This is done at the *gapServiceSecurityRequirements_t* struct. You can customize these parameters for your purpose. The HRS – OTAP demo sets the following parameters, focus on the OTAP service handle:

```
static const gapServiceSecurityRequirements_t serviceSecurity[4] = {
    {
        .requirements = {
            .securityModeLevel = gSecurityMode_1_Level_3_c,
            .authorization = FALSE,
            .minimumEncryptionKeySize = gDefaultEncryptionKeySize_d
        },
        .serviceHandle = service_heart_rate
    },
    {
        .requirements = {
            .securityModeLevel = gSecurityMode_1_Level_3_c,
            .authorization = FALSE,
            .minimumEncryptionKeySize = gDefaultEncryptionKeySize_d
        },
        .serviceHandle = service_otap
    },
    {
        .requirements = {
            .securityModeLevel = gSecurityMode_1_Level_3_c,
            .authorization = FALSE,
            .minimumEncryptionKeySize = gDefaultEncryptionKeySize_d
        },
        .serviceHandle = service_battery
    },
    {
        .requirements = {
            .securityModeLevel = gSecurityMode_1_Level_3_c,
            .authorization = FALSE,
            .minimumEncryptionKeySize = gDefaultEncryptionKeySize_d
        },
        .serviceHandle = service_device_info
    }
};
```

```

    }
};

```

Last modification requires as well, to increase the index of the number of services in the `deviceSecurityRequirements` struct.

```

gapDeviceSecurityRequirements_t deviceSecurityRequirements = {
    .pMasterSecurityRequirements = (void*)&masterSecurity,
    .cNumServices = 4,
    .aServiceSecurityRequirements = (void*)serviceSecurity
};

```

4.2.4 gatt_db.h and gatt_uuid128.h

The `gatt_db.h` header file contains the list of attributes that, together, shapes the profile of the GATT server (HRS-OTAP client device). The most important step of this guide is to include the list of the OTAP client attributes into the device's database. It is recommended to open the OTAP client SDK example, and your Bluetooth LE demo in order to compare both GATT databases. [Figure 17](#) shows the OTAP client portion of the database that defines the OTAP client service.

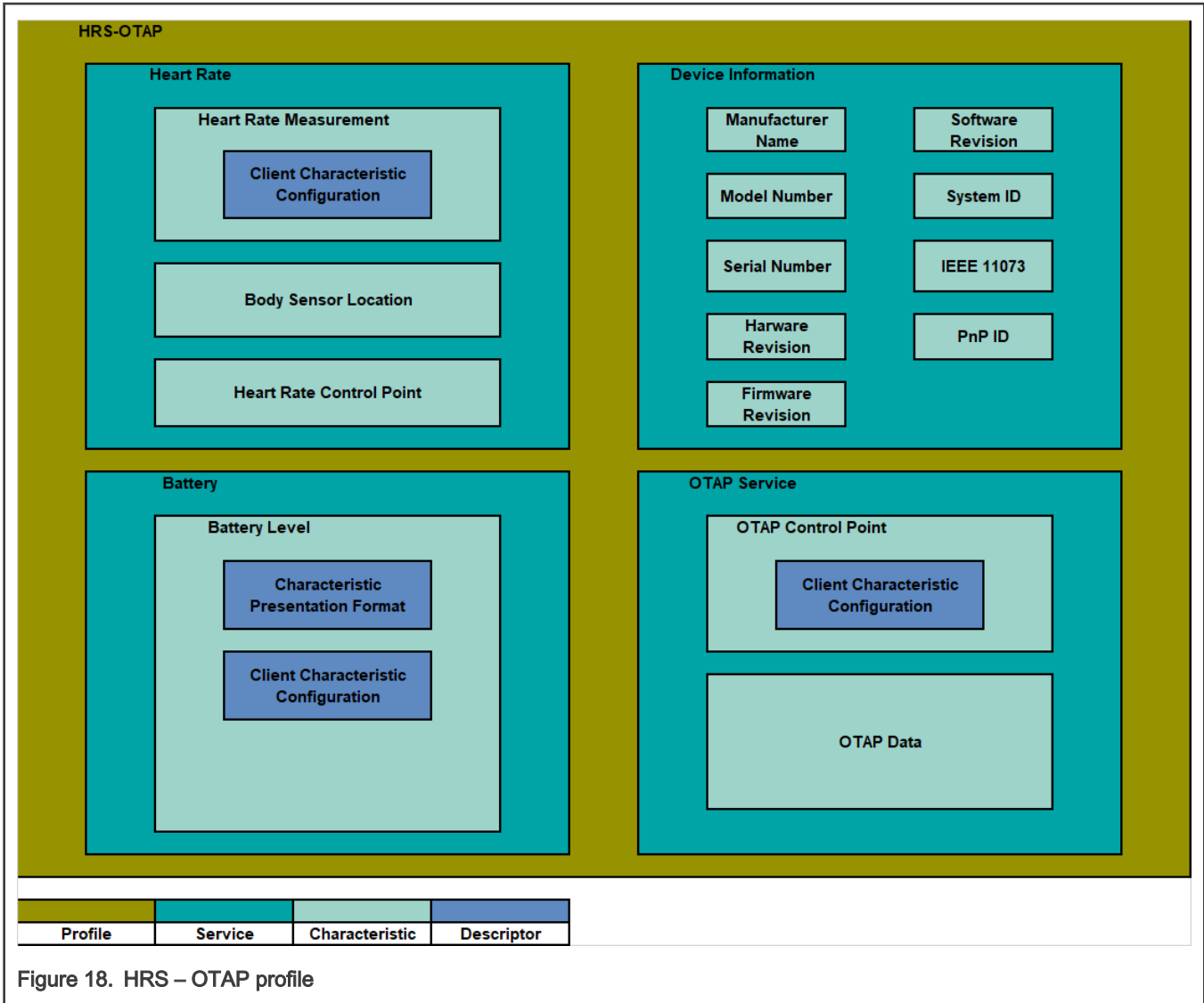
```

PRIMARY_SERVICE_UUID128(service_otap, uuid_service_otap)
CHARACTERISTIC_UUID128(char_otap_control_point, uuid_char_otap_control_point, (gGattCharPropWrite_c | gGattCharPropIndicate_c))
    VALUE_UUID128_VARLEN(value_otap_control_point, uuid_char_otap_control_point, (gPermissionFlagWritable_c), 16, 16, 0x00)
    CCCD(cccd_otap_control_point)
CHARACTERISTIC_UUID128(char_otap_data, uuid_char_otap_data, (gGattCharPropWriteWithoutRsp_c))
    VALUE_UUID128_VARLEN(value_otap_data, uuid_char_otap_data, (gPermissionFlagWritable_c), gAttMaxMtu_c - 3, gAttMaxMtu_c - 3, 0x00)

```

Figure 17. OTAP client service

The profile built within the `gatt_db.h` database for the HRS – OTAP demo has the architecture depicted in [Figure 18](#).



The `gatt_uuid128.h` header file contains all the **custom** UUID definitions and its assignation. The `gatt_uuid128.h` does not contain definitions in the original HRS SDK project because the heart rate and the battery services are adopted by the Bluetooth SIG. However, the OTAP service and its characteristics need to be specified by the developer as a 128 – UUID. [Figure 19](#) shows how to implement the 128 – UUID assignation for the OTAP service.

```

/* BLE Over The Air Programming - Firmware Update */
UUID128(uuid_service_otap,          0xE0, 0x1C, 0x4B, 0x5E, 0x1E, 0xEB, 0xA1, 0x5C, 0xEE, 0xF4, 0x5E, 0xBA, 0x50, 0x55, 0xFF, 0x01)
UUID128(uuid_char_otap_control_point, 0xE0, 0x1C, 0x4B, 0x5E, 0x1E, 0xEB, 0xA1, 0x5C, 0xEE, 0xF4, 0x5E, 0xBA, 0x51, 0x55, 0xFF, 0x01)
UUID128(uuid_char_otap_data,        0xE0, 0x1C, 0x4B, 0x5E, 0x1E, 0xEB, 0xA1, 0x5C, 0xEE, 0xF4, 0x5E, 0xBA, 0x52, 0x55, 0xFF, 0x01)
    
```

Figure 19. HRS – OTAP 128 – UUID definitions

4.2.5 heart_rate_sensor.c

The `heart_rate_sensor.c` is the main source file at the application level. Here are managed all the procedures that the device performs, before, during and after to create a connection. The following steps are the main changes to integrate the OTAP service.

1. Merge the missing `#include` preprocessor directives to reference the OTAP files on your project, except `otap_client_att.h`. [Figure 20](#) shows a comparison between HRS (left) and OTAP client (right) application files. This step will depend on your

software since it might share different files than this example. The results are similar as depicted in [Figure 21](#), before (HRS left), after (HRS-OTAP right).



<pre> /* Framework / Drivers */ #include "RNG_Interface.h" #include "Keyboard.h" #include "LED.h" #include "TimersManager.h" #include "FunctionLib.h" #include "MemManager.h" #include "Panic.h" #if (cPWR_UsePowerDownMode) #include "PWR_Interface.h" #include "PWR_Configuration.h" #endif //----- /* BLE Host Stack */ #include "gatt_server_interface.h" #include "gatt_client_interface.h" #include "gap_interface.h" #if MULTICORE_APPLICATION_CORE #include "dynamic_gatt_database.h" #else #include "gatt_db_handles.h" #endif /* Profile / Services */ #include "battery_interface.h" #include "device_info_interface.h" #include "heart_rate_interface.h" //----- /* Connection Manager */ #include "ble_conn_manager.h" #include "board.h" #include "ApplMain.h" #include "heart_rate_sensor.h" //----- </pre>	<pre> /* Framework / Drivers */ #include "RNG_Interface.h" #include "Keyboard.h" #include "LED.h" #include "TimersManager.h" #include "FunctionLib.h" #include "MemManager.h" #include "Panic.h" #if (cPWR_UsePowerDownMode) #include "PWR_Interface.h" #include "PWR_Configuration.h" #endif #include "OtaSupport.h" /* BLE Host Stack */ #include "gatt_interface.h" #include "gatt_server_interface.h" #include "gatt_client_interface.h" #include "gatt_database.h" #include "gap_interface.h" #include "gatt_db_app_interface.h" #if MULTICORE_APPLICATION_CORE #include "dynamic_gatt_database.h" #else #include "gatt_db_handles.h" #endif /* Profile / Services */ #include "battery_interface.h" #include "device_info_interface.h" #include "heart_rate_interface.h" #include "otap_interface.h" /* Connection Manager */ #include "ble_conn_manager.h" #include "board.h" #include "ApplMain.h" #include "heart_rate_sensor.h" #include "otap_client.h" </pre>
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Figure 21. Merging the OTAP files into the project, before (HRS left) and after (HRS-OTAP right)

2. Add the function prototypes and global variables that are used by the OTAP client software. See the comparison in [Figure 22](#) between HRS (left) and OTAP (right). As mentioned in the last step, this might depend on your application. For this example, you can skip merging the `appTimerId` variable in your Temperature Collector project, since this is used in the OTAP client to create an instance of a timer that will not implement in this example. The results should be similar as depicted in [Figure 23](#).

<pre> * Private memory declarations /* Adv State */ static advState_t mAdvState; static bool_t mRestartAdv; static uint32_t mAdvTimeout; static deviceId_t mPeerDeviceId = gInvalidDeviceId; /* Service Data */ static bool_t basValidClientList[gAppMaxConnections_c] = { FALSE }; static basConfig_t basServiceConfig = { service_battery, 0, basValidClientList, gAppMaxConnections_c }; static hrsUserData_t hrsUserData; static hrsConfig_t hrsServiceConfig = { service_heart_rate, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, gHrs_BodySensorLocChest_c, &hrsUserData }; static uint16_t cpHandles[] = { value_hr_ctrl_point }; /* Application specific data */ static bool_t mToggle16BitHeartRate = FALSE; static bool_t mContactStatus = TRUE; static tmrTimerID_t mAdvTimerId; static tmrTimerID_t mMeasurementTimerId; static tmrTimerID_t mBatteryMeasurementTimerId; * Private functions prototypes /* Gatt and Att callbacks */ static void BleApp_AdvertisingCallback (gapAdvertisingEvent_t* pAdvertisingEvent); static void BleApp_ConnectionCallback (deviceId_t peerDeviceId, gapConnectionEvent_t* pConnectionEvent); static void BleApp_GattServerCallback (deviceId_t deviceId, gattServerEvent_t* pServerEvent); static void BleApp_Config(void); /* Timer Callbacks */ static void AdvertisingTimerCallback (void*); static void TimerMeasurementCallback (void*); static void BatteryMeasurementTimerCallback (void*); static void BleApp_Advertise(void); </pre>	<pre> * Private memory declarations static deviceId_t mPeerDeviceId = gInvalidDeviceId; /* Adv Parameters */ static advState_t mAdvState; static tmrTimerID_t appTimerId; /* Service Data */ static bool_t basValidClientList[gAppMaxConnections_c] = { FALSE }; static basConfig_t basServiceConfig = {(uint16_t)service_battery, 0, basValidClientList, gAppMaxConnections_c}; static disConfig_t disServiceConfig = {(uint16_t)service_device_info}; /* Application Data */ static tmrTimerID_t mBatteryMeasurementTimerId; * Private functions prototypes /* Gatt and Att callbacks */ static void BleApp_AdvertisingCallback (gapAdvertisingEvent_t* pAdvertisingEvent); static void BleApp_ConnectionCallback (deviceId_t peerDeviceId, gapConnectionEvent_t* pConnectionEvent); static void BleApp_GattServerCallback (deviceId_t deviceId, gattServerEvent_t* pServerEvent); static void BleApp_Config(void); static void BleApp_Advertise (void); static void BatteryMeasurementTimerCallback (void *pParam); </pre>
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Figure 22. Comparison between HRS (left) and OTAP (right) prototypes

<pre> * Private memory declarations /* Adv State */ static advState_t mAdvState; static bool_t mRestartAdv; static uint32_t mAdvTimeout; static deviceId_t mPeerDeviceId = gInvalidDeviceId; /* Service Data */ static bool_t basValidClientList[gAppMaxConnections_c] = { FALSE }; static basConfig_t basServiceConfig = { service_battery, 0, basValidClientList, gAppMaxConnections_c }; static hrsUserData_t hrsUserData; static hrsConfig_t hrsServiceConfig = { service_heart_rate, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, gHrs_BodySensorLocChest_c, &hrsUserData }; static uint16_t cpHandles[] = { value_hr_ctrl_point }; /* Application specific data */ static bool_t mToggle16BitHeartRate = FALSE; static bool_t mContactStatus = TRUE; static tmrTimerID_t mAdvTimerId; static tmrTimerID_t mMeasurementTimerId; static tmrTimerID_t mBatteryMeasurementTimerId; * Private functions prototypes /* Gatt and Att callbacks */ static void BleApp_AdvertisingCallback (gapAdvertisingEvent_t* pAdvertisingEvent); static void BleApp_ConnectionCallback (deviceId_t peerDeviceId, gapConnectionEvent_t* pConnectionEvent); static void BleApp_GattServerCallback (deviceId_t deviceId, gattServerEvent_t* pServerEvent); static void BleApp_Config(void); /* Timer Callbacks */ static void AdvertisingTimerCallback (void*); static void TimerMeasurementCallback (void*); static void BatteryMeasurementTimerCallback (void*); static void BleApp_Advertise(void); </pre>	<pre> * Private memory declarations /* Adv State */ static advState_t mAdvState; static bool_t mRestartAdv; static uint32_t mAdvTimeout; static deviceId_t mPeerDeviceId = gInvalidDeviceId; /* Service Data */ static bool_t basValidClientList[gAppMaxConnections_c] = { FALSE }; static basConfig_t basServiceConfig = { service_battery, 0, basValidClientList, gAppMaxConnections_c }; static hrsUserData_t hrsUserData; static disConfig_t disServiceConfig = {(uint16_t)service_device_info}; static hrsConfig_t hrsServiceConfig = { service_heart_rate, TRUE, TRUE, TRUE, gHrs_BodySensorLocChest_c, &hrsUserData }; static uint16_t cpHandles[] = { value_hr_ctrl_point }; /* Application specific data */ static bool_t mToggle16BitHeartRate = FALSE; static bool_t mContactStatus = TRUE; static tmrTimerID_t mAdvTimerId; static tmrTimerID_t mMeasurementTimerId; static tmrTimerID_t mBatteryMeasurementTimerId; * Private functions prototypes /* Gatt and Att callbacks */ static void BleApp_AdvertisingCallback (gapAdvertisingEvent_t* pAdvertisingEvent); static void BleApp_ConnectionCallback (deviceId_t peerDeviceId, gapConnectionEvent_t* pConnectionEvent); static void BleApp_GattServerCallback (deviceId_t deviceId, gattServerEvent_t* pServerEvent); static void BleApp_Config(void); /* Timer Callbacks */ static void AdvertisingTimerCallback (void*); static void TimerMeasurementCallback (void*); static void BatteryMeasurementTimerCallback (void*); static void BleApp_Advertise(void); </pre>
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Figure 23. Merging the OTAP prototypes into the project, before (HRS left) and after (HRS-OTAP right)

3. Locate the *BleApp_Config* function. The *BleApp_Config* function configures the GAP role of the device (HRS – OTAP is a peripheral device), registers the notifiable attributes, prepares the services built on the database and allocates some application timers. Add the *OtapClient_Config* and *Dis_Start* functions to initialize these services. See the following portion of the code.

```

/* Start services */
hrsServiceConfig.sensorContactDetected = mContactStatus;
#if gHrs_EnableRRIntervalMeasurements_d
hrsServiceConfig.pUserData->pStoredRrIntervals = MEM_BufferAlloc(sizeof(uint16_t) *
gHrs_NumOfRRIntervalsRecorded_c);
#endif
Hrs_Start(&hrsServiceConfig);
basServiceConfig.batteryLevel = BOARD_GetBatteryLevel();
Bas_Start(&basServiceConfig);

```

```
(void)Dis_Start(&disServiceConfig);
if (OtapClient_Config() == FALSE)
{
    /* An error occurred in configuring the OTAP Client */
    panic(0,0,0,0);
}
```

4. Locate the `BleApp_ConnectionCallback`. The connection callback is triggered whenever a connection event happens, such as a connection or disconnection.
 - a. Go to the connection case. Include the `OtapCS_Subscribe` and `OtapClient_HandleConnectionEvent` functions. This is implemented in the following portion of the code.

```
case gConnEvtConnected_c:
{
    /* Subscribe client*/
    Bas_Subscribe(&basServiceConfig, peerDeviceId);
    Hrs_Subscribe(peerDeviceId);
    (void)OtapCS_Subscribe(peerDeviceId);
    mPeerDeviceId = peerDeviceId;
    /* Stop Advertising Timer*/
    mAdvState.advOn = FALSE;
    TMR_StopTimer(mAdvTimerId);
    /* Start measurements */
    TMR_StartLowPowerTimer(mMeasurementTimerId, gTmrLowPowerIntervalMillisTimer_c,
    TmrSeconds(mHeartRateReportInterval_c), TimerMeasurementCallback, NULL);
    /* Start battery measurements */
    TMR_StartLowPowerTimer(mBatteryMeasurementTimerId,
    gTmrLowPowerIntervalMillisTimer_c,
    TmrSeconds(mBatteryLevelReportInterval_c), BatteryMeasurementTimerCallback, NULL);
    /* Handle OTAP connection event */
    OtapClient_HandleConnectionEvent (peerDeviceId);
    #if (cPWR_UsePowerDownMode)
        #ifdef MULTICORE_APPLICATION_CORE
            #if gErpcLowPowerApiServiceIncluded_c
                PWR_ChangeBlackBoxDeepSleepMode(gAppDeepSleepMode_c);
                PWR_AllowBlackBoxToSleep();
            #endif
        #else
            PWR_ChangeDeepSleepMode(gAppDeepSleepMode_c);
            PWR_AllowDeviceToSleep();
        #endif
    #else
        /* UI */
        LED_StopFlashingAllLeds();
        Led1On();
    #endif
}
break;
```

- b. Go to the disconnection case. Include the `OtapCS_Unsubscribe` and `OtapClient_HandleDisconnectionEvent` functions. The implementation is shown in the following portion of the code.

```
case gConnEvtDisconnected_c:
{
    /* Unsubscribe client */
    Bas_Unsubscribe(&basServiceConfig, peerDeviceId);
    Hrs_Unsubscribe();
    (void)OtapCS_Unsubscribe();
    mPeerDeviceId = gInvalidDeviceId_c;
}
```



```

    /* Stop Timers*/
    TMR_StopTimer (mMeasurementTimerId);
    TMR_StopTimer (mBatteryMeasurementTimerId);
    OtapClient_HandleDisconnectionEvent (peerDeviceId);
#if (cPWR_UsePowerDownMode)
    /* UI */
    Led1Off();

    /* Go to sleep */
#ifdef MULTICORE_APPLICATION_CORE
    #if gErpcLowPowerApiServiceIncluded_c
    PWR_ChangeBlackBoxDeepSleepMode (cPWR_DeepSleepMode);
    #endif
#else
    PWR_ChangeDeepSleepMode (cPWR_DeepSleepMode);
#endif
#else
    /* Restart advertising */
    BleApp_Start();
#endif
}
break;

```

5. Locate the `BleApp_GattServerCallback`. It manages all the incoming communications from the client devices. Add the GATT events that need to be handled by the OTAP client software, `gEvtAttributeWritten_c`, `gEvtMtuChanged`, `gEvtCharacteristicCccdWritten_c`, `gEvtAttributeWrittenWithoutResponse_c`, `gEvtHandleValueConfirmation_c`, and `gEvtError`. Your Bluetooth LE project might share some common GATT events. If it is the case, you will need to add a conditional structure per each attribute handle. Focus on the `gEvtAttributeWritten_c` case and observe the conditional structure that was included for the HRS control point and the OTAP control point handling.

```

case gEvtAttributeWritten_c:
{
    handle = pServerEvent->eventData.attributeWrittenEvent.handle;
    status = gAttErrCodeNoError_c;
    if (handle == value_hr_ctrl_point)
    {
        status = Hrs_ControlPointHandler (&hrsUserData,
            pServerEvent->eventData.attributeWrittenEvent.aValue[0]);
        GattServer_SendAttributeWrittenStatus (deviceId, handle, status);
    }
    else
    {
        OtapClient_AttributeWritten (deviceId,
            pServerEvent->eventData.attributeWrittenEvent.handle,
            pServerEvent->eventData.attributeWrittenEvent.cValueLength,
            pServerEvent->eventData.attributeWrittenEvent.aValue);
    }
}
break;
case gEvtMtuChanged_c:
{
    OtapClient_AttMtuChanged (deviceId,
        pServerEvent->eventData.mtuChangedEvent.newMtu);
}
break;
case gEvtCharacteristicCccdWritten_c:
{
    OtapClient_CccdWritten (deviceId,
        pServerEvent->eventData.charCccdWrittenEvent.handle,

```

```

        pServerEvent->eventData.charCccdWrittenEvent.newCccd);
    }
    break;
    case gEvtAttributeWrittenWithoutResponse_c:
    {
        OtapClient_AttributeWrittenWithoutResponse (deviceId,
            pServerEvent->eventData.attributeWrittenEvent.handle,
            pServerEvent->eventData.attributeWrittenEvent.cValueLength,
            pServerEvent->eventData.attributeWrittenEvent.aValue);
    }
    break;
    case gEvtHandleValueConfirmation_c:
    {
        OtapClient_HandleValueConfirmation (deviceId);
    }
    break;
    case gEvtError_c:
    {
        attErrorCode_t attError = (attErrorCode_t) (pServerEvent->eventData.procedureError.error &
0xFF);
        if (attError == gAttErrCodeInsufficientEncryption_c ||
            attError == gAttErrCodeInsufficientAuthorization_c ||
            attError == gAttErrCodeInsufficientAuthentication_c)
        {
            #if gAppUsePairing_d
            #if gAppUseBonding_d
                bool_t isBonded = FALSE;
                /* Check if the devices are bonded and if this is true than the bond may have
                * been lost on the peer device or the security properties may not be sufficient.
                * In this case try to restart pairing and bonding. */
                if (gBleSuccess_c == Gap_CheckIfBonded(deviceId, &isBonded) && TRUE == isBonded)
            #endif /* gAppUseBonding_d */
                {
                    (void)Gap_SendSlaveSecurityRequest(deviceId, &gPairingParameters);
                }
            #endif /* gAppUsePairing_d */
        }
        break;
        default:
        break;
    }
}

```

Now, you have integrated the OTAP Client code into the HRS.

4.3 Modifications in project settings and storage configurations

The OTAP client software included in the SDK package contains some linker configurations to generate the application offset needed for the OTAP Bootloader software and split the flash memory in accord of the storage method desired. Such configurations are not part of the HRS demo, so it should be included to integrate the OTAP on the application. Follow the next steps to set the project settings and the storage configurations.

1. Open the *app_preinclude.h* file located in the source folder of the project.
 - If you want to configure the software for external flash storage method, set the `gEepromType` definition to `gEepromDevice_AT45DB041E_c`.
 - If you decided use the internal flash storage method instead, set the `gEepromType` definition to `gEepromDevice_InternalFlash_c`.

For more details about storage methods, see [OTAP memory management during the update process](#).

```

/* Specifies the type of EEPROM available on the target board */
#define gEepromType_d          gEepromDevice_AT45DB041E_c
    
```

Figure 24. Configuring the storage method at the preinclude file

2. Click on the HRS-OTAP demo in the MCUXpresso workspace.
3. Navigate to **Project -> Properties** in MCUXpresso IDE. Go to **C/C++ Build -> MCU settings**.
 - a. To select **external flash storage** method, as shown in [Figure 25](#), configure the fields in the **Memory details** pane. This is the default storage method in the attached HRS-OTAP software.

Flash	PROGRAM_FLASH	Flash	0x2000	0x79800	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx
Flash	NVM_region	Flash2	0x7b800	0x4000	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx
Flash	FREESCALE_PROD_DATA	Flash3	0x7f800	0x800	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx

Figure 25. Configuring external storage method

- b. To select **internal flash storage** method, as shown in [Figure 26](#), configure the fields in the **Memory details** pane.

Type	Name	Alias	Location	Size	Driver
Flash	PROGRAM_FLASH	Flash	0x2000	0x3c800	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx
Flash	INT_STORAGE	Flash2	0x3e800	0x3d000	
Flash	NVM_region	Flash3	0x7b800	0x4000	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx
Flash	FREESCALE_PROD_DATA	Flash4	0x7f800	0x800	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx

Figure 26. Configuring internal storage method

4. Clean and build the project.

Now, you have finally integrated the OTAP service on the Bluetooth LE based application.

5 Testing the HRS-OTAP demo

The test case example, designed to demonstrate the OTAP integration in [Testing the HRS-OTAP software](#), makes use of the listed software:

- OTAP Client SDK software, programmed in the FRDM-KW38 board.
- An SREC software update of the HRS-OTAP example.
- An SREC software update of the HRS SDK example.

The following sections explain how to build the software required for the testing case proposed by this document.

5.1 Preparing the OTAP client SDK software

1. Attach your FRDM-KW38 board on the PC.
2. Open MCUXpresso IDE. In the **Quickstart Panel** view, click **Import SDK example(s)**.

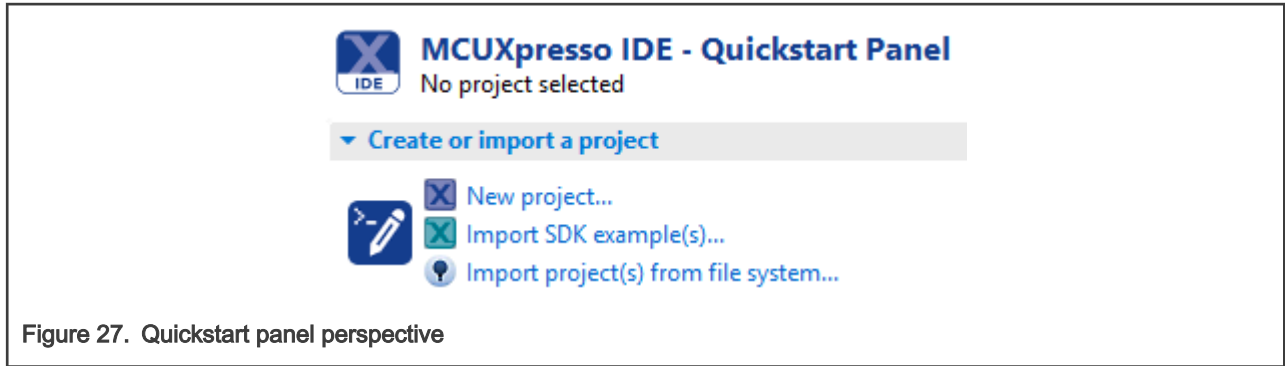


Figure 27. Quickstart panel perspective

3. Click twice on the **frdmkw38** icon.

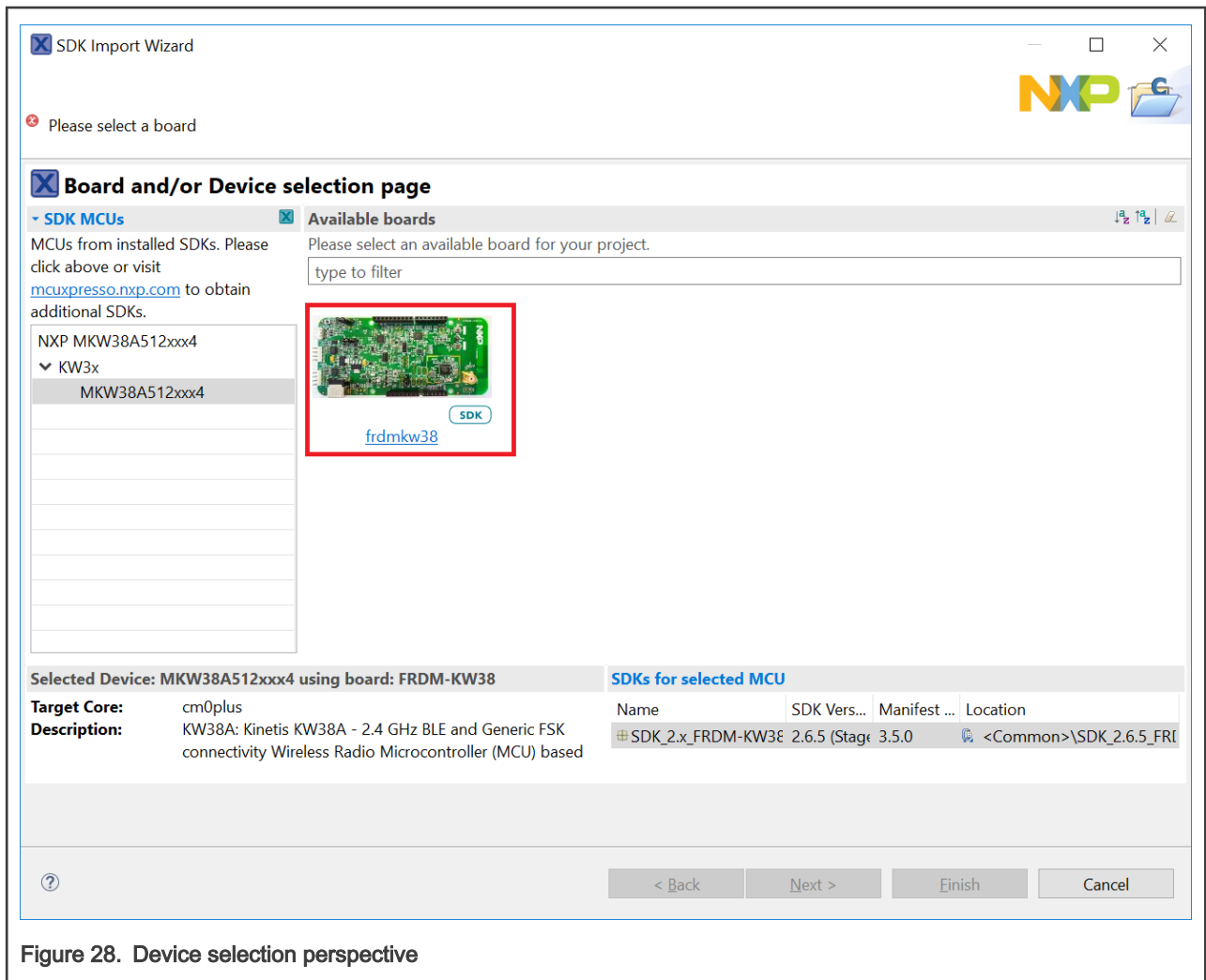


Figure 28. Device selection perspective

4. In the **Examples** textbox, type **bootloader_otap**. Select the suggested project by **wireless_examples -> framework -> bootloader_otap -> bm**. Click **Finish**.
5. Flash the **bootloader_otap** project, OTAP Bootloader project, in your FRDM-KW38 board.

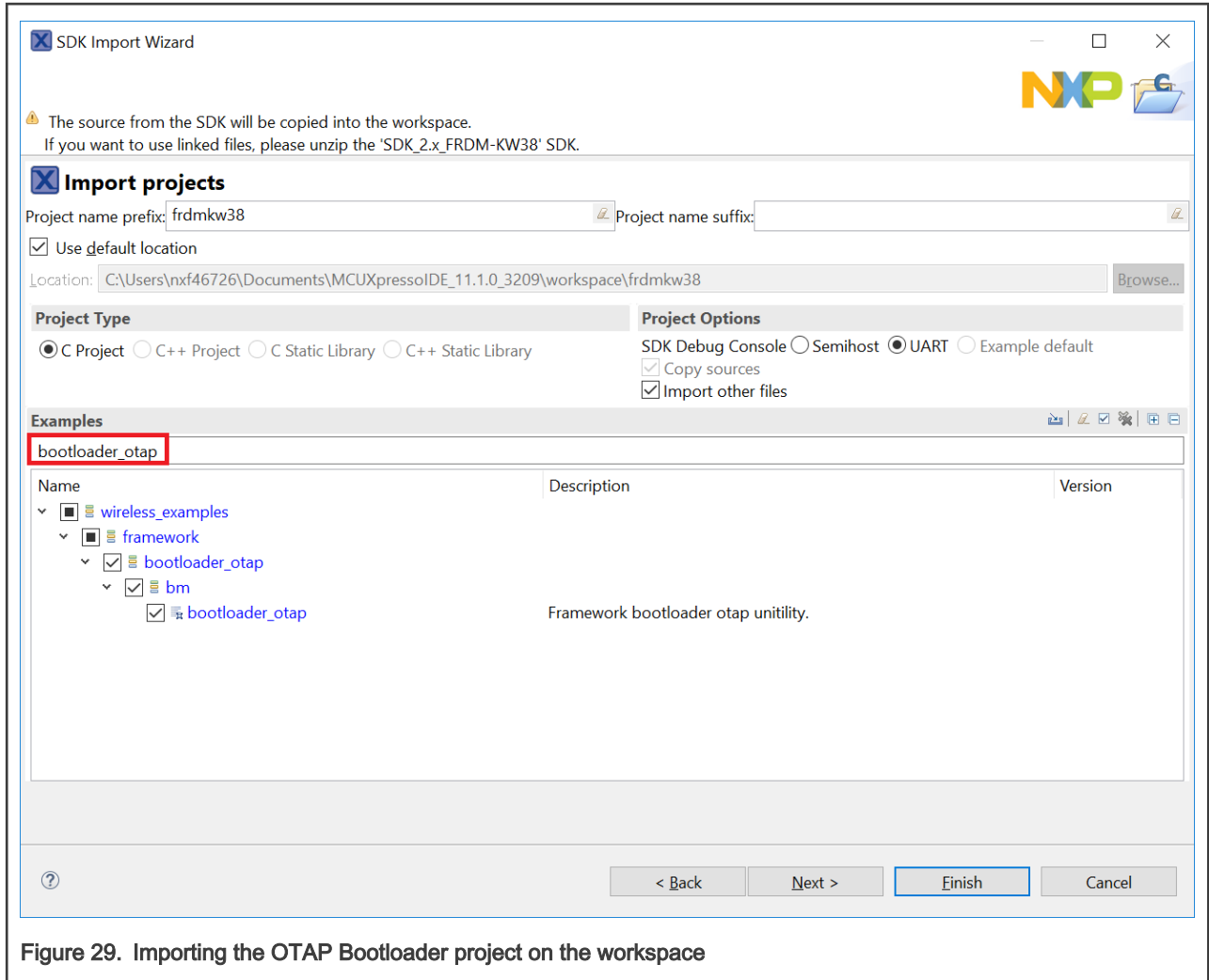


Figure 29. Importing the OTAP Bootloader project on the workspace

- Repeat 2 to 4 to import the `otac_att` project. It is located in `wireless_examples -> bluetooth -> otac_att -> freertos`.

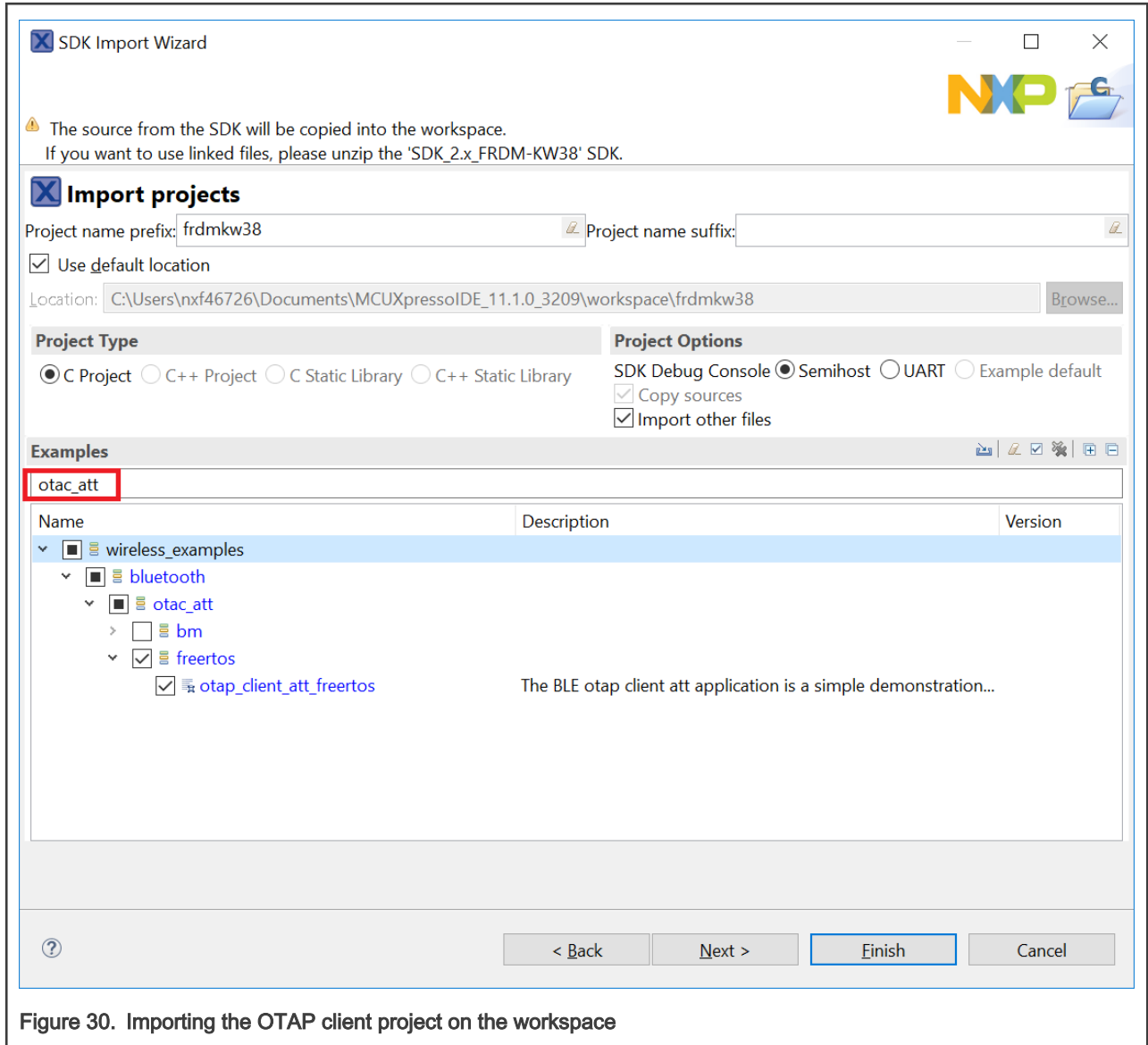


Figure 30. Importing the OTAP client project on the workspace

7. Set the storage configurations on the OTAP Client software:
 - a. Open the *app_preinclude.h* file located in the source folder of the project.
 - To configure the software for external flash storage method, set the **gEepromType** defination to **gEepromDevice_AT45DB041E_c**.
 - To use the internal flash storage method, set the **gEepromType** defination to **gEepromDevice_InternalFlash_c**.

For more details about storage methods, see [OTAP memory management during the update process](#)

```

/* Specifies the type of EEPROM available on the target board */
#define gEepromType_d          gEepromDevice_AT45DB041E_c
    
```

Figure 31. Configuring the storage method at the preinclude file

- b. Navigate to **Project -> Properties** in MCUXpresso IDE. Go to **C/C++ Build -> MCU settings -> Memory details** perspective.

- To select external flash storage method, configure the fields in the **Memory details** pane, as shown in [Figure 32](#).

Flash	PROGRAM_FLASH	Flash	0x2000	0x79800	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx
Flash	NVM_region	Flash2	0x7b800	0x4000	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx
Flash	FREESCALE_PROD_DATA	Flash3	0x7f800	0x800	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx

Figure 32. Configuring external storage method

- To select internal flash storage method, configure the fields in the **Memory details** pane, as shown in [Figure 33](#).

Type	Name	Alias	Location	Size	Driver
Flash	PROGRAM_FLASH	Flash	0x2000	0x3c800	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx
Flash	INT_STORAGE	Flash2	0x3e800	0x3d000	
Flash	NVM_region	Flash3	0x7b800	0x4000	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx
Flash	FREESCALE_PROD_DATA	Flash4	0x7f800	0x800	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx

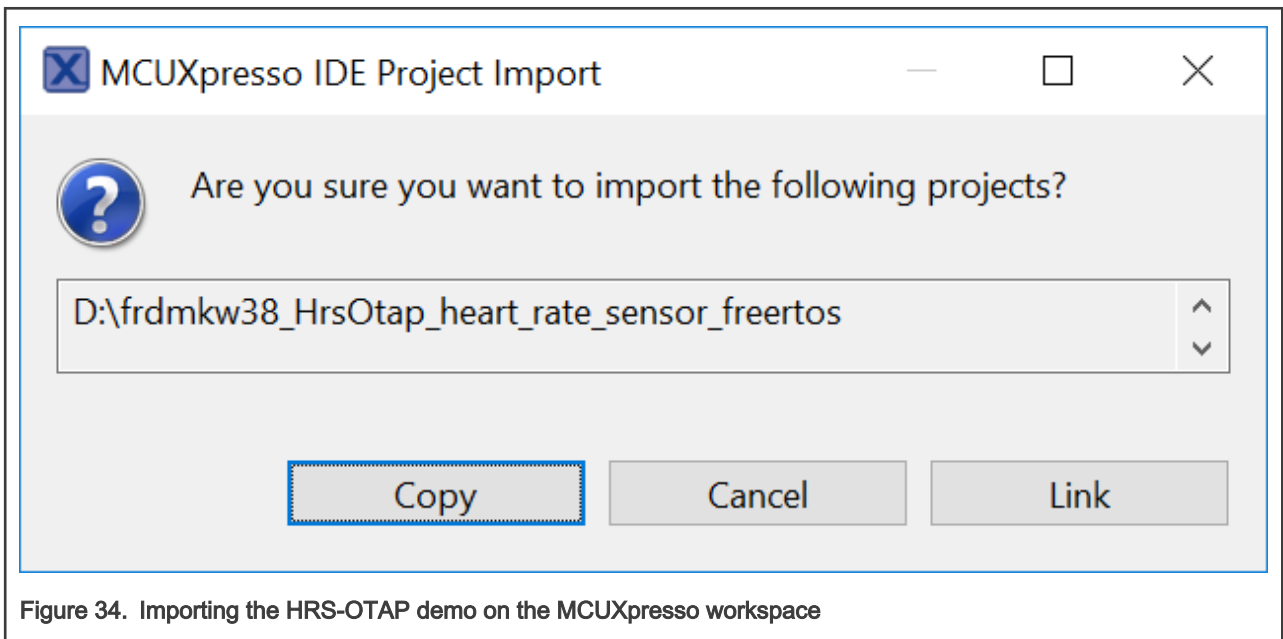
Figure 33. Configuring internal storage method

- Clean and build the project. Flash the OTAP Client the project on the **FRDM-KW38** board previously programmed with the OTAP Bootloader.

Now, you have programming and configuring the OTAP client software on your board. You can communicate to a server and request for a software update.

5.2 Creating an HRS-OTAP S-record image to update the software

- Install the HRS-OTAP demo provided with this document in your MCUXpresso IDE. You can drag and drop the project from your installation path to the MCUXpresso workspace. A warning message appears, as shown in [Figure 34](#), click the **Copy** button to clone the original example.



- Open the `end_text.ldt` linker script located at the `linkscripts` folder in the workspace. Locate the section placement and remove the **FILL** and **BYTE** statements, as shown in [Figure 35](#). This step is needed only to build the SREC image file to reprogram the device.

```
/* Remove this section to keep the nvm section on writing the device */  
.NVM :  
{  
  FILL(0xFFFFFFFF)  
  . = ORIGIN(NVM_region) + LENGTH(NVM_region) - 1;  
  BYTE(0xFF)  
} > NVM_region
```

Figure 35. Preparing the linker file

3. Clean and build the project.
4. Deploy the **Binaries** icon in the workspace. Click the right mouse button on the `.axf` file and select **Binary Utilities -> Create S-Record**. The S-Record file will be saved at the **Debug** folder in the workspace with `.s19` extension.

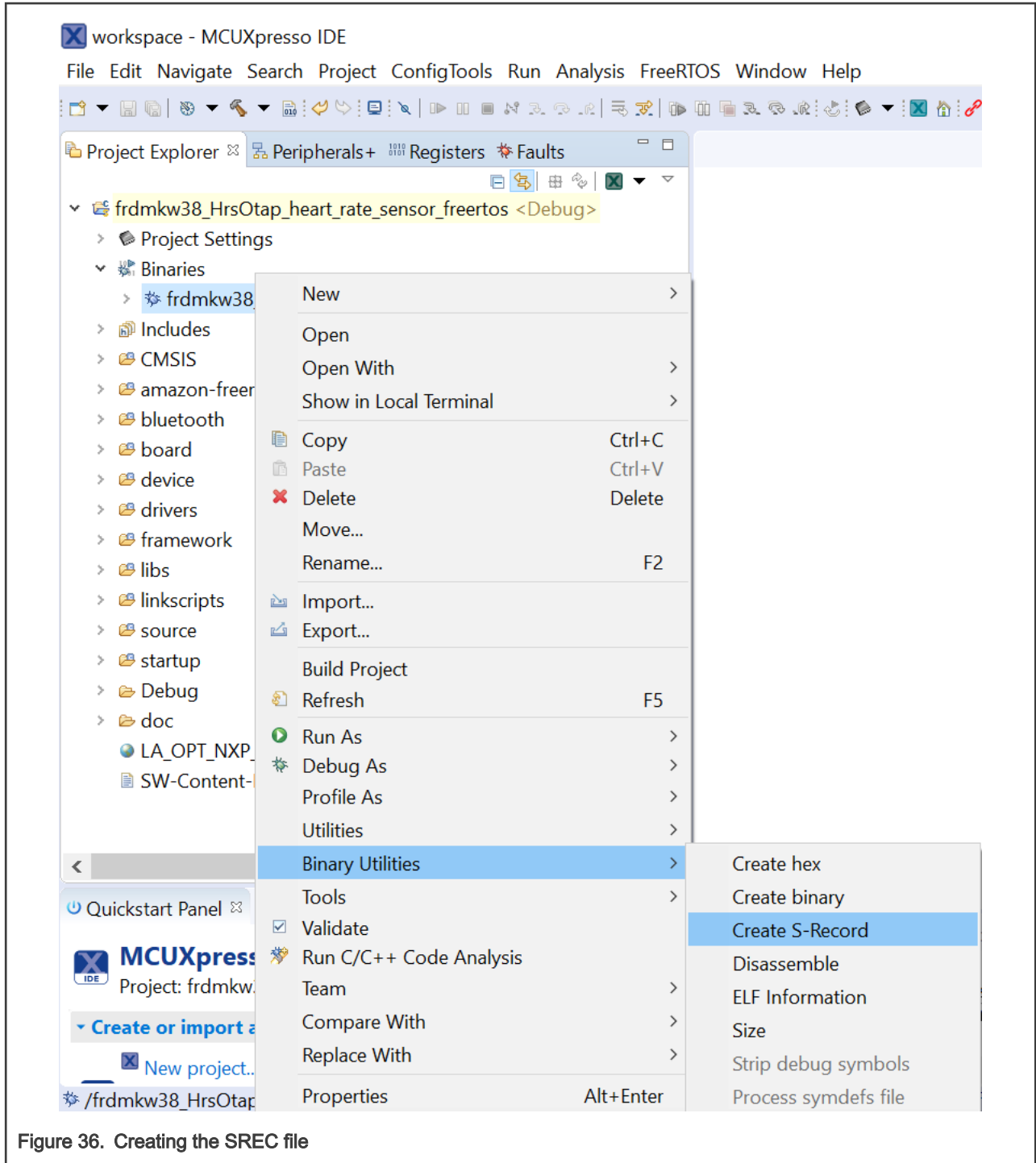


Figure 36. Creating the SREC file

5. Save this file in a known location on your smartphone.

5.3 Creating an HRS S-record image to update the software

1. Open MCUXpresso IDE. In the **Quickstart Panel** view, click the **Import SDK example(s)**, and the device selection perspective will appear. Click twice on the **frdmkw38** icon.
2. In the **Examples** textbox, type **hrs** and select the freertos project at **wireless_examples -> bluetooth -> hrs -> freertos**. Click **Finish**.

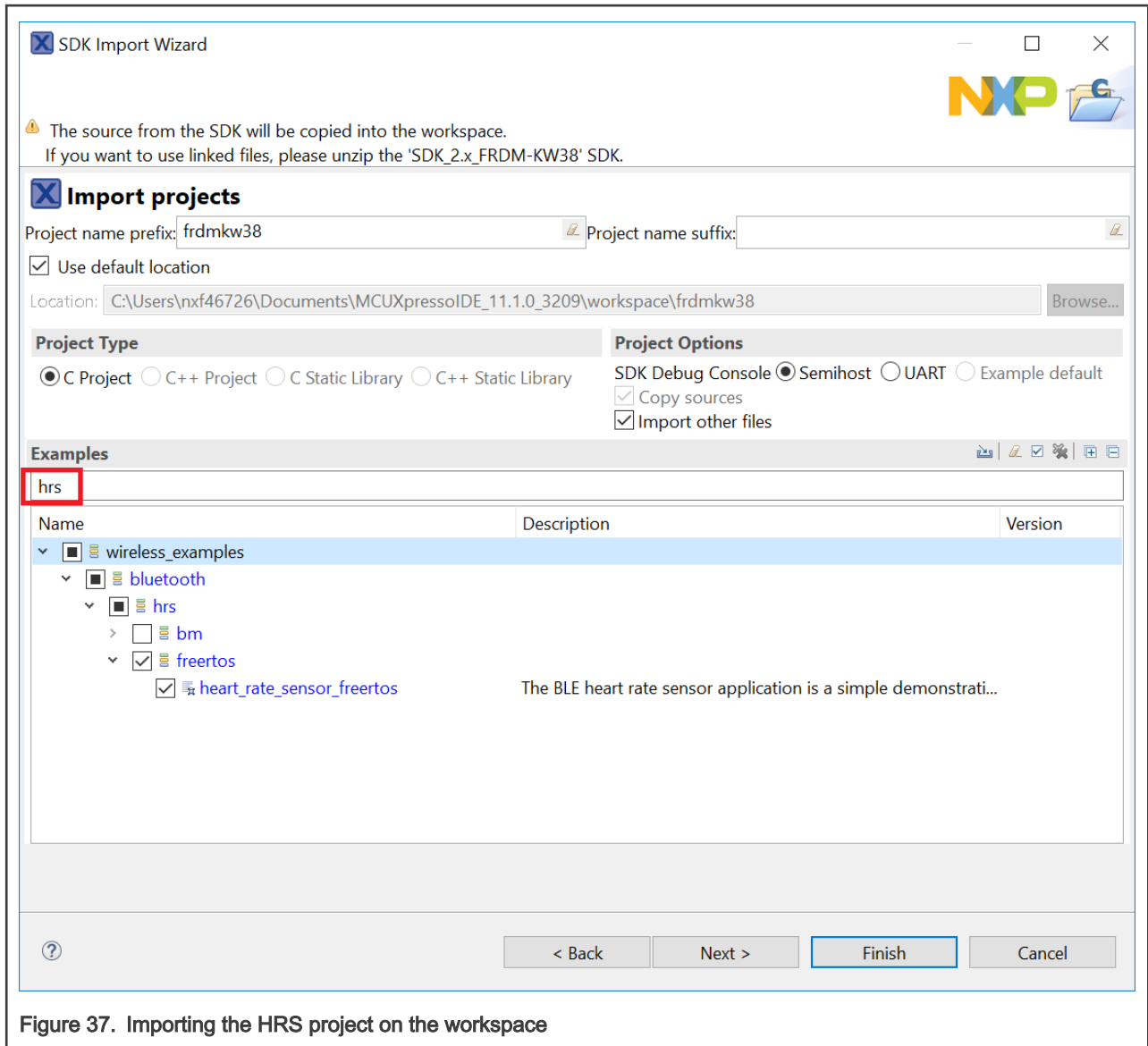


Figure 37. Importing the HRS project on the workspace

- Open the *app_preinclude.h* file under the source folder at the MCUXpresso workspace. Locate the `cPWR_UsePowerDownMode` macro and change its value to zero. This step is not mandatory, but it is useful at running time to confirm whenever the software update has been successfully programmed by the OTAP bootloader.

```
/* Enable/Disable PowerDown functionality in PwrLib */
#define cPWR_UsePowerDownMode 0
```

- Define `gEepromType_d` as internal flash storage in the **Board Configuration** section of the *app_preinclude.h* file. This is a dummy definition needed to place the Bootloader Flags in the proper address, so this will not affect the storage method chosen when you programmed previously the OTAP Client software in the MCU.

```
/* Specifies the type of EEPROM available on the target board */
#define gEepromType_d gEepromDevice_InternalFlash_c
```

- Navigate to **Project -> Properties -> C/C++ Build -> MCU settings**. Configure the following fields and save the changes.

Flash	PROGRAM_FLASH	Flash	0x2000	0x79800	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx
Flash	NVM_region	Flash2	0x7b800	0x4000	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx
Flash	FREESCALE_PROD_DATA	Flash3	0x7f800	0x800	FTFE_2K_PD.cfx

Figure 38. Configuring the memory layout

- Navigate to the workspace. Locate the **linkscripts** folder and include into it the `main_text_section.ldt` linker script. You can copy and paste from the OTAP client SDK example.

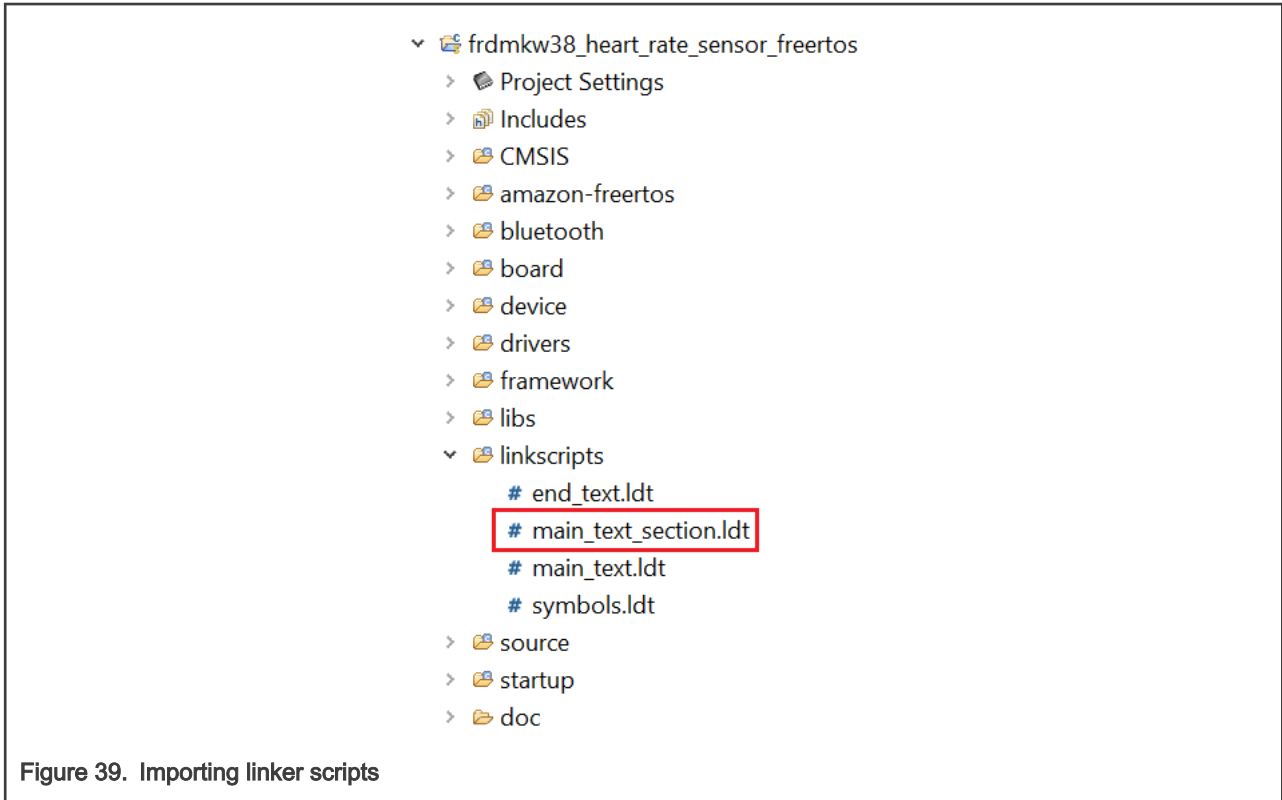


Figure 39. Importing linker scripts

- Open the `end_text.ldt` linker script located at the `linkscripts` folder in the workspace. Locate the section placement and remove the **FILL** and **BYTE** statements, as shown in Figure 40.

```

/* Remove this section to keep the nvm section on writing the device */
.NVM :
{
FILL(0xFFFFFFFF)
. = ORIGIN(NVM_region) + LENGTH(NVM_region) - 1;
BYTE(0xFF)
} > NVM_region
    
```

Figure 40. Preparing the linker file

- Include the `OtaSupport` folder and its files in the `framework` folder. Include the `External` folder and its files in the **framework** -> **Flash** folder. This step can be done in the same way as explained in [Importing the OTAP Bluetooth LE service and framework software into the HRS project](#).
- Clean and build the project.
- Deploy the **Binaries** icon in the workspace. Click the right mouse button on the `.axf` file and select **Binary Utilities** -> **Create S-Record**. The S-Record file will be saved at the `Debug` folder in the workspace with `.s19` extension.
- Save this file in a known location on your smartphone.

5.4 Testing the HRS-OTAP software

Figure 41 exemplifies the testing case of this section. The FRDM-KW38 contains the OTAP client software. The OTAP client will request a software update from the OTAP server (the smartphone). This software image is the HRS-OTAP demo. The FRDM-KW38 at this point has been updated and can handle all the incoming communication from an HR central or the OTAP server. To demonstrate that you can continue updating the software of the KW38 device, you can connect the HRS-OTAP to an OTAP server and request a software update that only contains the HRS example. From this point, you cannot continue updating the software since the OTAP service was not included in the last software upgrade. This example was designed to understand the key points of the OTAP integration. However, the main purpose of this application note is to create software updates that include the OTAP service and continue upgrading and improving the KW38 device.

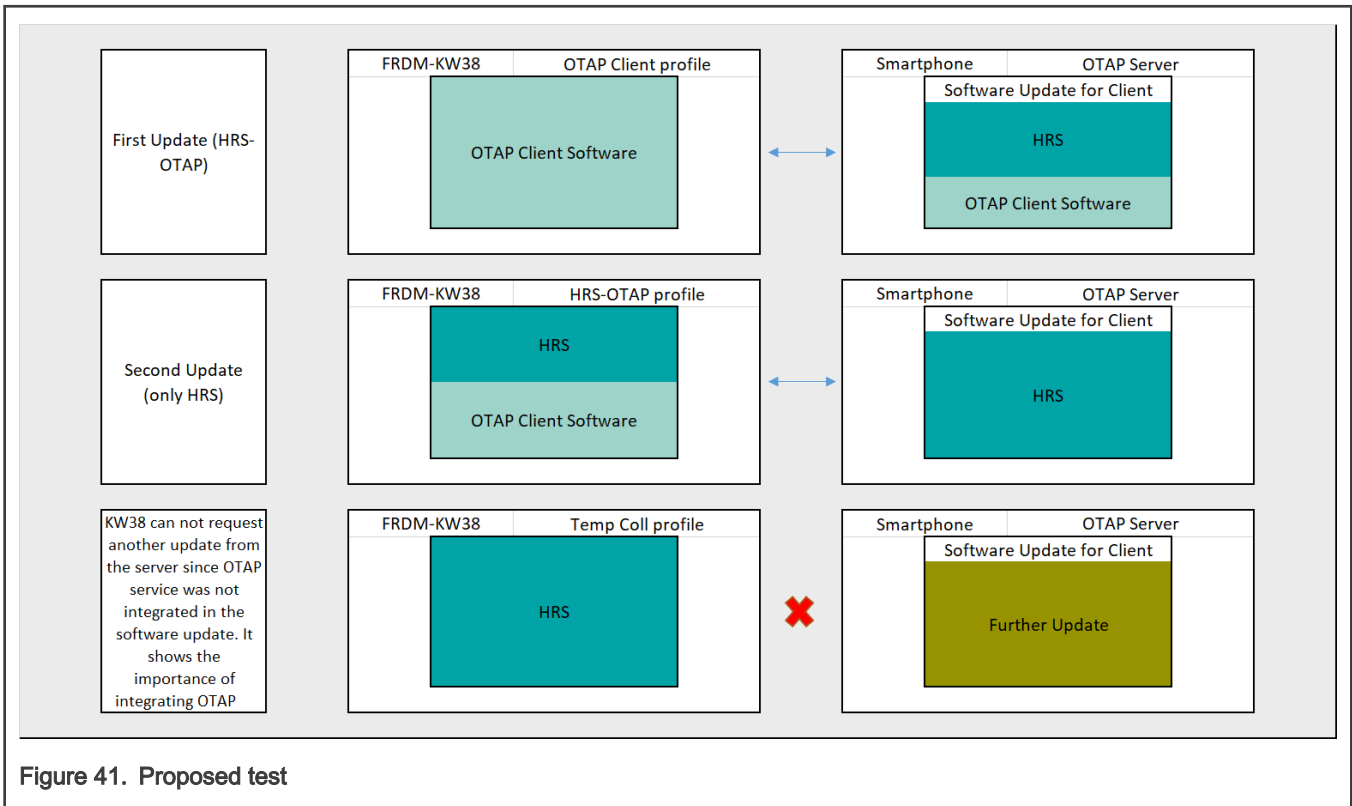


Figure 41. Proposed test

1. Open the IoT Toolbox App and select the OTAP demo. Click the **SCAN** button to start scanning for a suitable advertiser.



Figure 42. IoT Toolbox interface

2. Press the ADV button, **SW2**, on the FRDM-KW38 board to start advertising.
3. Create a connection with the **NXP_OTAA** device. Then, the OTAP interface will be displayed on your smartphone.

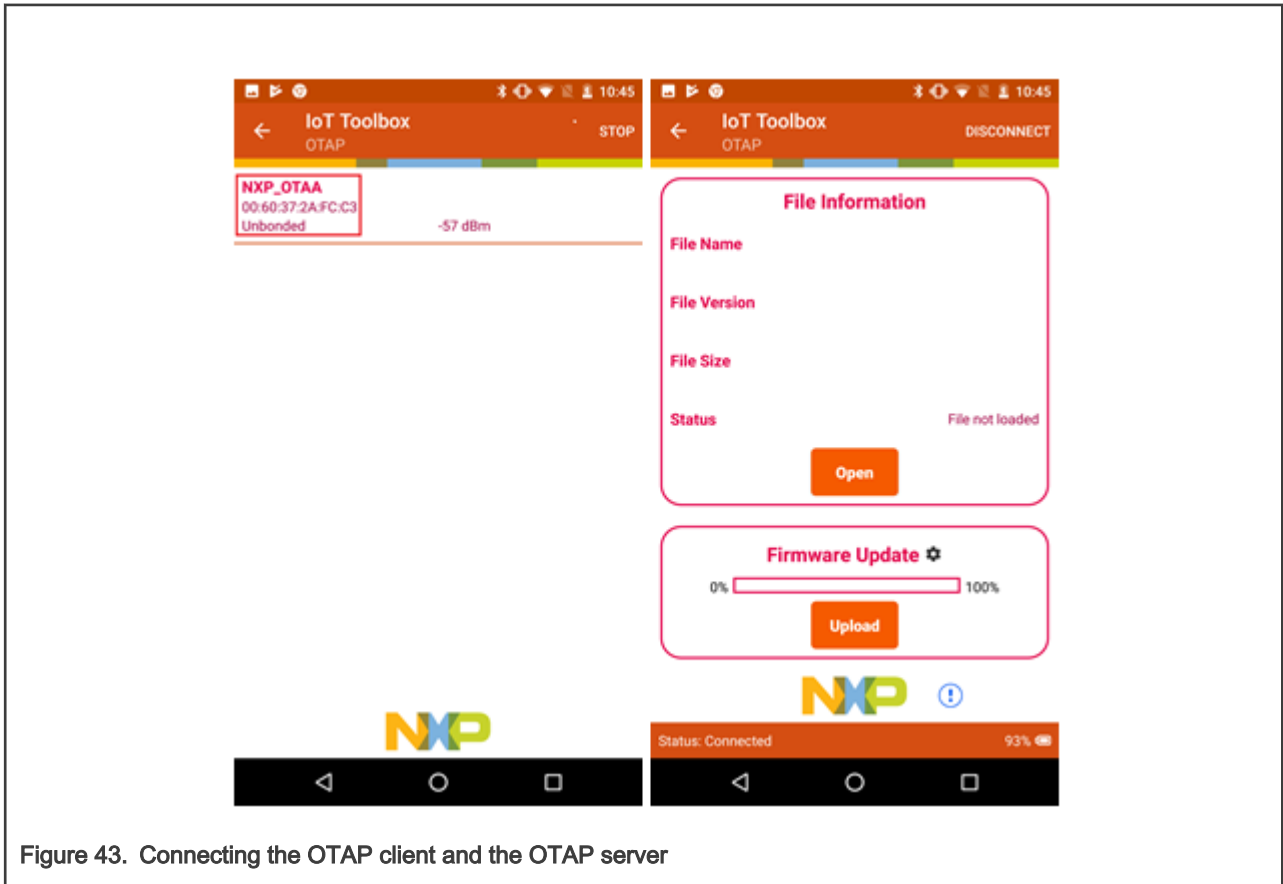


Figure 43. Connecting the OTAP client and the OTAP server

4. Click the **Open** button and search for the **HRS-OTAP** SREC file.
5. Click the **Upload** to start the transfer. Wait until the confirmation message is displayed.

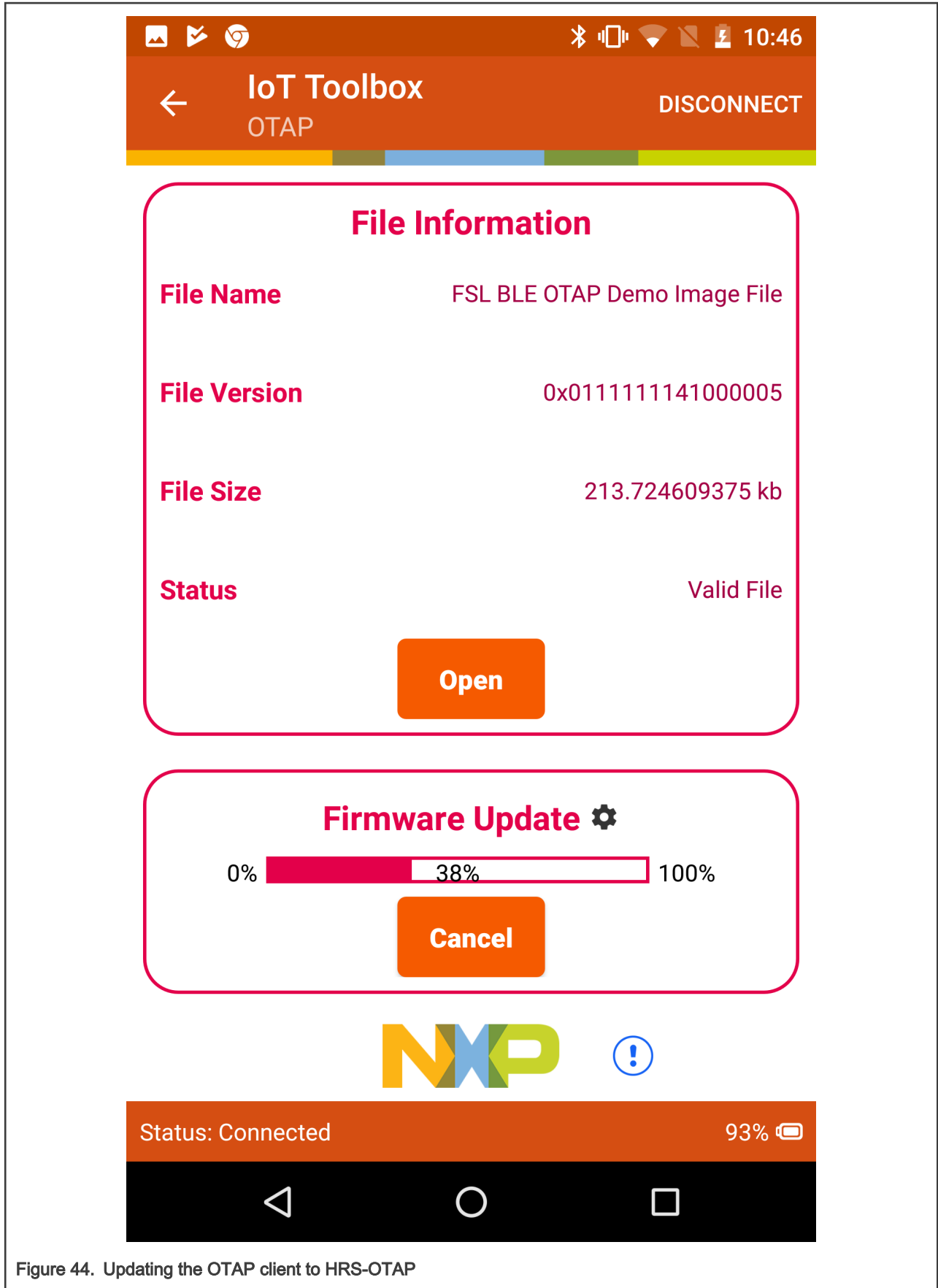


Figure 44. Updating the OTAP client to HRS-OTAP

6. Wait few seconds until the OTAP bootloader has finished programming the new image. The HRS-OTAP application will start automatically, with the RGB LED blinking.
7. Press the ADV button, **SW2**, on the FRDM-KW38 board to start advertising. Verify that the device can be detected by both, HRS and OTAP applications of the IoT Toolbox. The device is named as **NXP_HRS_OTAP**. You can create a connection and interact with both demos.

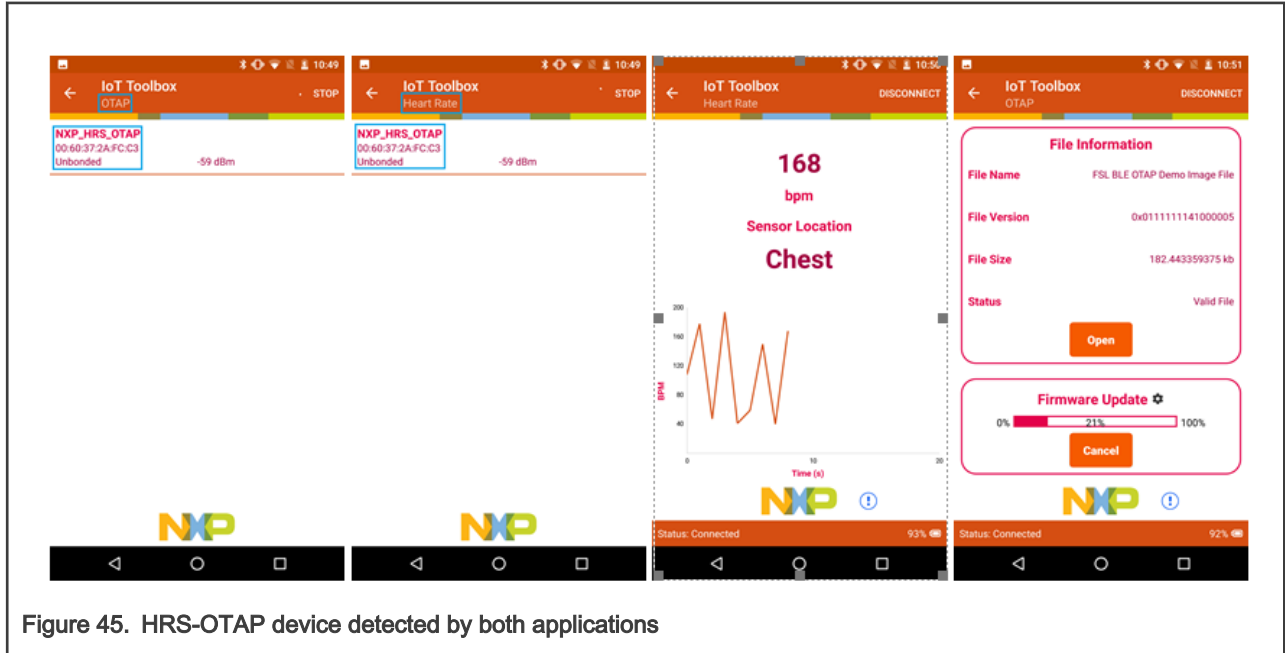


Figure 45. HRS-OTAP device detected by both applications

8. Connect the HRS-OTAP device with the OTAP smartphone application. Update the software using the *HRS* SREC file.
9. Confirm that the device has been updated to a simple HRS, making use of the HRS-OTAP demo. Press the ADV button, **SW2**, on the FRDM-KW38 board to start advertising. Now the device's name is **NXP_HRS**. Connect the device with the HRS IoT Toolbox app and verify that it works as expected.

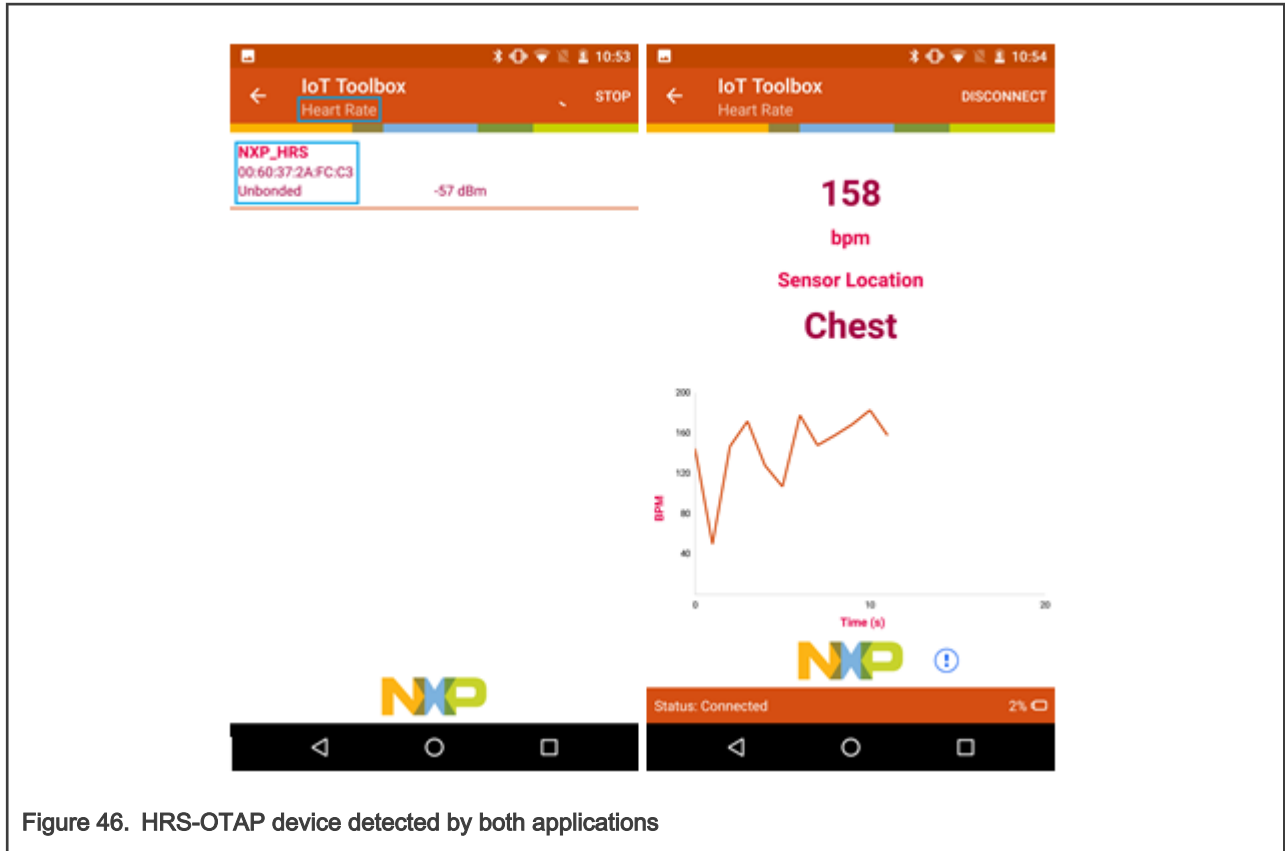


Figure 46. HRS-OTAP device detected by both applications

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