

User Guide

User Guide for N32WB03x Firmware Update

Introduction

This document presents the principle of N32WB03X firmware update and examples to help users familiarize with the firmware update process for rapid development.

Functional features of N32WB03X firmware update:

- Support firmware update through serial port.
- Support firmware update through BLE.
- Support BLE MTU 20-244 bytes.
- In order to ensure security, ECC digital signature is used to verify the firmware validity for BLE update.
- In order to speed up the update and support version rollback, we provide BLE “dual bank” update.
- In order to address the large space occupied by user programs, we also provide BLE “single bank” update.
- The system will automatically select “dual bank” or “single bank” update, without input from users.
- In order to maintain the compatibility with smart phone BLE from all manufacturers, it can control the update speed through mobile APP.

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1 Demonstration by Examples

1.1 Demonstration of JLINK Programming

Enter the directory *Demonstration of N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu\Image\JLINKProgrammingDemo*.

Double click the script file *JLINKProgramming.bat* to view the Command Prompt information, as shown below.

```
=====BootSetting.bin=====
00000000: 52 19 34 43 FF FF FF FF 00 40 00 01 B8 49 00 00 R.4C.....@...I..
00000010: F7 5C 36 95 01 00 00 00 01 00 00 00 FF FF FF FF .\6.....
00000020: FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF .....
00000030: 00 00 02 01 30 4A 00 00 3A 87 34 26 01 00 00 00 ....0J...:4&...
00000040: FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF .....
00000050: FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF 00 C0 03 01 EC 36 00 00 .....6..
00000060: 1D D3 2D D9 01 00 00 00 FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF ..-.....
00000070: FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF FF .....
00000080: AE 1C 41 A5 F4 35 DD 3D 89 C8 00 D8 0F 8D 2A C2 ..A..5.=.....*.
00000090: 63 3A 02 37 24 5D 2D DB F0 46 A1 6A 5E 43 26 44 c:.7$]-..F.j^C&D
000000A0: 73 20 7D 16 86 EA 41 6B A3 8D 0D 60 DA 61 CD 98 s }...Ak...a..
000000B0: 53 D5 22 A5 14 6A EE 64 BB B4 7E 40 39 A6 B5 29 S."...j.d..@9..)
Bootsetting created successfully!
SEGGER J-Link Commander V6.32 (Compiled Apr 20 2018 17:25:19)
DLL version V6.32, compiled Apr 20 2018 17:25:02
```

Step 1: BootSetting Bin is generated by NSUtil tool, and “Bootsetting created successfully!” is displayed in the command line, indicating that the file is generated successfully.

```
Erasing device (N32WB031KEQ6-2)...
J-Link: Flash download: Total time needed: 1.521s
Erasing done.
```

Step 2: JLink erases the chip’s Flash.

```
Downloading file [Image\MasterBoot.bin]...
J-Link: Flash download: Bank 0 @ 0x01000000: 1 range affected (8192 bytes)
J-Link: Flash download: Total time needed: 0.620s (Prepare: 0.040s, Compare
O.K.
```

Step 3: Program MasterBoot.bin to the chip’s Flash.

```
Downloading file [Image\Bootsetting.bin]...
J-Link: Flash download: Bank 0 @ 0x01000000: 1 range affected (4096 bytes)
J-Link: Flash download: Total time needed: 0.285s (Prepare: 0.037s, Compare
O.K.
```

Step 4: Program Bootsetting.bin to the chip’s Flash.

```
Downloading file [Image\APP1.bin]...
J-Link: Flash download: Bank 0 @ 0x01000000: 1 range affected (20480 bytes)
J-Link: Flash download: Total time needed: 1.715s (Prepare: 0.045s, Compare: 0.04s)
O.K.
```

Step 5: Program APP1.bin to the chip's Flash.

```
Downloading file [Image\APP2.bin]...
J-Link: Flash download: Bank 0 @ 0x01000000: 1 range affected (20480 bytes)
J-Link: Flash download: Total time needed: 1.703s (Prepare: 0.040s, Compare: 0.04s)
O.K.
```

Step 6: Program APP2.bin to the chip's Flash.

```
Downloading file [Image\ImageUpdate.bin]...
J-Link: Flash download: Bank 0 @ 0x01000000: 1 range affected (16384 bytes)
J-Link: Flash download: Total time needed: 1.339s (Prepare: 0.054s, Compare: 0.04s)
O.K.
```

Step 7: Program ImageUpdate.bin to the chip's Flash.

```
Reset delay: 0 ms
Reset type NORMAL: Resets core & peripherals via SYSRESETREQ & VECTRESET bit.
Reset: Halt core after reset via DEMCR.VC_CORERESSET.
Reset: Reset device via AIRCR.SYSRESETREQ.
```

Step 8: Reset the chip.

JLINK successively executes, erases, and writes in MasterBoot.bin, Bootsetting.bin, APP1.bin, APP2.bin, ImageUpdate Bin, reset command and completes Programming in batch. Programming failure, if any, may be caused by the chip in DEEP SLEEP. We can try to execute the *JLINKProgramming.bat* first before power up the chip.

MasterBoot.bin is generated by the [MasterBoot Keil Project](#). The path is generated to view routine Keil → option for target → User → Run # 2.

Bootsetting.bin is generated by the NSUtil python tool. [Refer to Section 1 of Chapter 3 for the bootsetting data structure.](#)

APP1.bin and APP2.bin are generated by the [AppOTA Keil Project](#). The path is generated to view routine keil → option for target → User → Run #2.

ImageUpdate.bin is generated by the [ImageUpdater Keil Project](#). The path is generated to view routine keil → option for target → User → Run #2.

[Chapter II](#) provides detailed description of the different bin executing address and function of Bin file.

```
set JLink_path=..\..\JLink\JLink_V632\JLink.exe
set JLink_script_path=..\..\JLink\JLink_Script\download.jlink
set NSUtil_path=..\..\NSUtil\NSUtil.exe

::Creating bootsetting file
::bootsetting.bin path
set output_bootsetting=.\Image\bootsetting.bin
::bank1 parameters, nonoptional
set bank1_start_address=0x1004000
set bank1_version=0x00000001
set bank1_bin=.\Image\APP1.bin
set bank1_activation=yes
::bank2 parameters, optional
set bank2_start_address=0x1020000
set bank2_version=0x00000001
set bank2_bin=.\Image\APP2.bin
set bank2_activation=no
::ImageUpdate parameters, optional
set image_update_start_address=0x0103C000
set image_update_version=0x00000001
::set image_update_bin=.\Image\ImageUpdate.bin
set image_update_activation=no
::Public key, optional
::set public_key_file=.\keys\public_key.bin
```

Users can modify bank1_activation=no, bank2_Activation=yes, power on and start the bank2 program, and can view the printing output through the serial port connecting to the chip PB1 (115200 N 8 1), or through the blinking frequency of LED1 and LED2. APP1 and APP2 flash in 100 and 500 milliseconds, respectively. Users can search for the Bluetooth device with NATION broadcast name .

Users can also modify bank1_activation=no, image_update_Activation=yes, check the serial port printing output, or search for the Bluetooth device with ImageUpdate device broadcast.

It should be noted that only one program can enable activation.

1.2 Demonstration of serial port update

Enter the directory *Demonstration of N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu*.

As chapter 1.1, by double clicking the script file *JLINKProgramming.Bat*, *MasterBoot.bin/Bootsetting.bin*, *APP1.bin*, *APP2.bin*, *ImageUpdate.bin* will be programmed (*APP2.bin* and *ImageUpdate.bin* are optional), *APP1* will be running after power on or reset.

The file *UartFirmwareUpdate.bat* can be opened by a text tool.

```

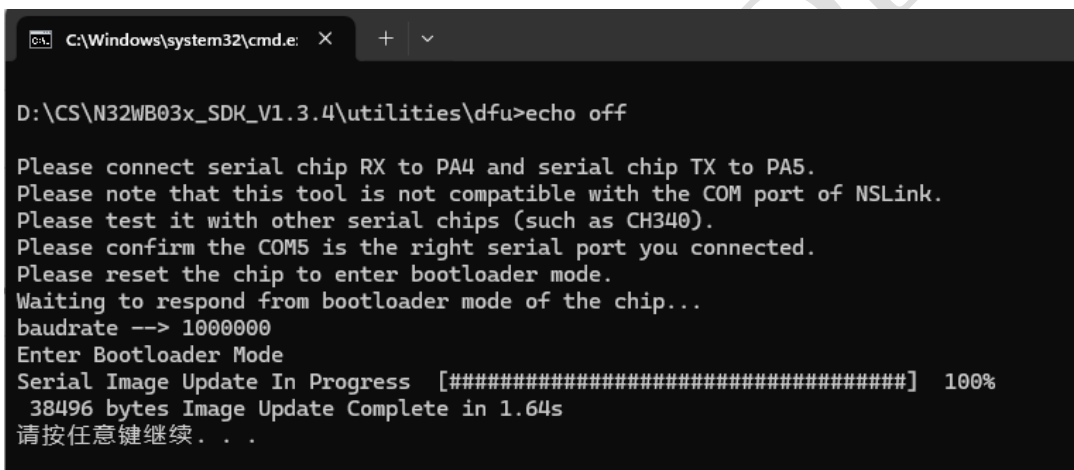
:: APP.bin is the update firmware
:: --app_start_address is the address of update firmware
:: --app_version is the version of update firmware
:: --serial_port is the serial port number
set app_bin=.\Image\APPl.bin
set app_start_address=0x1004000
set app_version=0x01020304
set serial_baudrat=1000000
set force_update=True
set serial_port=COM20

echo.
echo Please connect serial chip RX to PA4 and serial chip TX to PA5.
echo Please note that this tool is not compatible with the COM port of NSLink.
echo Please test it with other serial chips (such as CH340).
echo Please confirm the %serial_port% is the right serial port you connected.
echo Please reset the chip to enter bootloader mode.
echo Waiting to respond from bootloader mode of the chip...
.\NSUtil\NSUtil.exe ius serial %app_bin% ^
--app_start_address %app_start_address% ^
--app version %app version% ^

```

Modify serial_ Port=serial port number of own computer (obtained by viewing the device manager), USB serial port is connected to chip PB6 (chip TX) and PB7 (chip RX), baud rate can be configured with 115200 or 1000000,save and close.

Double click the script file *UartFirmwareUpdate.bat* to view the print results in the Command Prompt.



```

C:\Windows\system32\cmd.e X + v
D:\CS\N32WB03x_SDK_V1.3.4\utilities\dfu>echo off

Please connect serial chip RX to PA4 and serial chip TX to PA5.
Please note that this tool is not compatible with the COM port of NSLink.
Please test it with other serial chips (such as CH340).
Please confirm the COM5 is the right serial port you connected.
Please reset the chip to enter bootloader mode.
Waiting to respond from bootloader mode of the chip...
baudrate --> 1000000
Enter Bootloader Mode
Serial Image Update In Progress [#####] 100%
38496 bytes Image Update Complete in 1.64s
请按任意键继续...

```

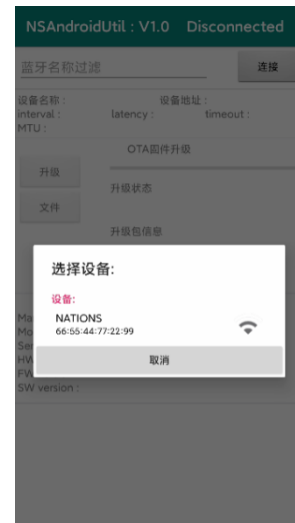
It updates bank1(APPl) by default.

1.3 Demonstration of Bluetooth “Dual Bank” update

Enter *N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu\NSAndroidUtil\directory*, and install the file *NSAndroidUtil.apk* on the mobile phone. Enter *N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu\Image\dual Bank update demo\directory*, double-click *JLINK Download at One Click. Bat*, and burn the firmware to the chip.

Enter *N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu\Image\Dual Bank Update Demo\Image\directory*, and copy the file *ota_dual_bank.zip* to the phone's internal storage device.

Click Connect, and then select the NATIONS (MAC: 66:55:44:77:22:99) device.



Wait until the Bluetooth in the upper right corner is Connected, then click the file and select *ota_dual_Bank.zip*.



We can view the size of update package in the update package information. After we click Update, the update status changes and the progress bar increases.

NSAndroidUtil : V1.0 Connected

蓝牙名称过滤 断开

设备名称 :NATIONS 设备地址 :66:55:44:77:22:99
interval : 36ms latency : 0 timeout : 5000ms
MTU : 20

OTA固件升级

升级 升级状态

文件

升级包信息
APP1_START_ADDRESS : 0x01004000
APP1_VERSION : 0x00000002
APP1_SIZE : 0x00004bcc
APP2_START_ADDRESS : 0x01020000
APP2_VERSION : 0x00000002
APP2_SIZE : 0x00004c00
IMAGE_UPDATE_START_ADDRESS : 0x0103c000
IMAGE_UPDATE_VERSION : 0x00000002
IMAGE_UPDATE_SIZE : 0x0000388c

Device Information Service
Manufacture :
Model :
Serial :
HW version :
FW version :
SW version :

NSAndroidUtil : V1.0 Connected

蓝牙名称过滤 断开

设备名称 :NATIONS 设备地址 :66:55:44:77:22:99
interval : 50ms latency : 0 timeout : 5000ms
MTU : 244

OTA固件升级

升级 升级状态

文件

create_ota_image_transfer...
升级包信息
APP1_START_ADDRESS : 0x01004000
APP1_VERSION : 0x00000002
APP1_SIZE : 0x00004bcc
APP2_START_ADDRESS : 0x01020000
APP2_VERSION : 0x00000002
APP2_SIZE : 0x00004c00
IMAGE_UPDATE_START_ADDRESS : 0x0103c000
IMAGE_UPDATE_VERSION : 0x00000002
IMAGE_UPDATE_SIZE : 0x0000388c

Device Information Service
Manufacture :
Model :
Serial :
HW version :
FW version :
SW version :

As the update finishes, the Bluetooth will automatically disconnect, and the update status displays the update time consumed.

NSAndroidUtil : V1.0 Disconnected

蓝牙名称过滤 连接

设备名称 : 设备地址 :
interval : latency : timeout :
MTU :

OTA固件升级

升级 升级状态

文件

OTA Finish in 7.369s, PRN : 2048
升级包信息
APP1_START_ADDRESS : 0x01004000
APP1_VERSION : 0x00000002
APP1_SIZE : 0x00004bcc
APP2_START_ADDRESS : 0x01020000
APP2_VERSION : 0x00000002
APP2_SIZE : 0x00004c00
IMAGE_UPDATE_START_ADDRESS : 0x0103c000
IMAGE_UPDATE_VERSION : 0x00000002
IMAGE_UPDATE_SIZE : 0x0000388c

Device Information Service
Manufacture :
Model :
Serial :
HW version :
FW version :
SW version :

By double-clicking *Generate Update Package at One Click. bat*, users can view the information in the Command Prompt.

```

=====dfu_setting.dat=====
00000000: 19 E5 23 DF 00 40 00 01 B8 49 00 00 F7 5C 36 95 ..#...@...I...\6.
00000010: 02 00 00 00 00 00 02 01 30 4A 00 00 3A 87 34 26 .....0J...:4&
00000020: 02 00 00 00 00 C0 03 01 EC 36 00 00 1D D3 2D D9 .....6....-.
00000030: 02 00 00 00 5C 2C 11 44 E8 A3 37 6C 2E D5 54 EE ....\,.D..71..T.
00000040: 2A 90 AA 07 08 7B 48 B2 8F 78 2E FA E8 E6 E3 1D *....{H..x.....
00000050: 66 75 AA A3 54 C2 27 C2 EE ED 98 0A EC DB 1A 42 fu..T.'.....B
00000060: 79 36 32 D3 A8 7C 53 69 C2 15 FC E8 D4 F7 51 A1 y62..|Si.....Q.
00000070: B2 73 EF 22                                     .s."
=====config.txt=====
APP1_START_ADDRESS : 0x01004000
APP1_VERSION : 0x00000002
APP1_SIZE : 0x000049b8
APP2_START_ADDRESS : 0x01020000
APP2_VERSION : 0x00000002
APP2_SIZE : 0x00004a30
IMAGE_UPDATE_START_ADDRESS : 0x0103c000
IMAGE_UPDATE_VERSION : 0x00000002
IMAGE_UPDATE_SIZE : 0x000036ec

```

The batch file will create a Bluetooth update package according to the parameters configured in the file and the bin file in the Image folder, and simultaneously the Command Prompt displays the file data of [dfu_setting.dat](#) and Config.txt.

1.4 Demonstration of Bluetooth “Single Bank” update

Enter *N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu\NSAndroidUtil\directory*, and install the file *NSAndroidUtil.apk* on the mobile phone.

Enter *N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu\Image\single Bank update demo\directory*, double-click *JLINK Download at One Click. bat*, and burn the firmware to the chip.

Enter *N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu\Image\Single Bank Update Demo\Image\directory*, and copy the file *ota_single_bank.zip* to the phone's internal storage device.

Click Connect, and then select the NATIONS (MAC: 66:55:44:77:22:99) device.

Wait until the Bluetooth in the upper right corner is Connected, click the file and select file *ota_single_Bank.zip*.



We can view the size of update package in the update package information. After we click Update, the update status changes and the progress bar increases.

The single bank update Bluetooth will be disconnected and reconnected once. A dialog box will pop up on the interface to ask the user to wait for the automatic reconnection of Bluetooth.



The update continues after the Bluetooth is reconnected, and the update time consumed will be displayed as long as the update finishes.

NSAndroidUtil : V1.0
Connected

蓝牙名称过滤

断开

设备名称 : ImageUpdate 设备地址 : 66:55:44:77:22:9A
interval : 60ms latency : 0 timeout : 5000ms
MTU : 244

OTA固件升级

升级

文件

升级状态

升级包信息

send image data...

APP1_START_ADDRESS : 0x01004000
APP1_VERSION : 0x00000002
APP1_SIZE : 0x00004bcc
APP2_START_ADDRESS : 0xffffffff
APP2_VERSION : 0xffffffff
APP2_SIZE : 0xffffffff
IMAGE_UPDATE_START_ADDRESS : 0x0103c000
IMAGE_UPDATE_VERSION : 0x00000002
IMAGE_UPDATE_SIZE : 0x0000388c

Device Information Service

Manufacture :
Model :
Serial :
HW version :
FW version :
SW version :

NSAndroidUtil : V1.0
Disconnected

蓝牙名称过滤

连接

设备名称 : 设备地址 :
interval : latency : timeout :
MTU :

OTA固件升级

升级

文件

升级状态

升级包信息

OTA Finish in 18.511s, PRN : 2048

APP1_START_ADDRESS : 0x01004000
APP1_VERSION : 0x00000002
APP1_SIZE : 0x00004bcc
APP2_START_ADDRESS : 0xffffffff
APP2_VERSION : 0xffffffff
APP2_SIZE : 0xffffffff
IMAGE_UPDATE_START_ADDRESS : 0x0103c000
IMAGE_UPDATE_VERSION : 0x00000002
IMAGE_UPDATE_SIZE : 0x0000388c

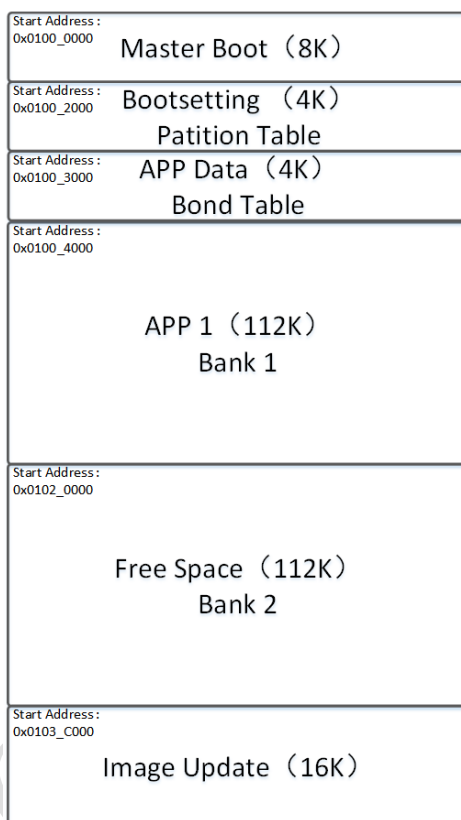
Device Information Service

Manufacture :
Model :
Serial :
HW version :
FW version :
SW version :

2 Distribution of FLASH Memory

FLASH address range of N32WB03x chip is 0x0100_0000 - 0x0103_FFFF and the free space is 256K bytes.

The program and data FLASH is distributed as follows:



Name	N32WB03X FLASH address	Description
Master Boot (program)	0x0100_0000 – 0x0100_1FFF (8K)	Program entry after power on; Read the partition table and jump the program; Serial port update function;
Bootsetting (data) (Patition Table)	0x0100_2000 -0x0100_2FFF (4K)	FLASH partition table;
APP Data (data) (Bond Table) (User Data)	0x0100_3000 -0x0100_3FFF (4K)	APP data storage area; Storage binding list (about 500 bytes for 5 devices); The remaining space stores user-defined data;
APP 1 (program) (Bank 1)	0x0100_4000 -0x0101_FFFF (112K)	User program 1 storage area;
Free Space/APP2 (program) (Bank 2)	0x0102_0000 -0x0103_BFFF (112K)	Reserved space; or user program 2 storage area;

Image Update (program)	0x0103_C000 -0x0103_FFFF (16K)	Reserved space; or update “single BANK”;
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The MasterBoot program provides program jump entry and serial port update.

Bootsetting data provides program jump and updates shared data.

If more space is required by the APP Data in storage area, it is recommended to use external storage or modify the FLASH memory distribution (users are welcome to contact technical support for specific modification methods).

APP1 is a user program.

APP2 is a user program compiled on Bank2.

ImageUpdate is a program for “single bank” update.

3 Data Structure

3.1 Bootsetting

Size (Bytes)	Name	Description
4	Bootsetting CRC	Bootsetting data check value
4	MasterBoot Force Update	Forced serial port update for MasterBoot 1: serial port update By default: 0xFFFFFFFF
4*10	Bank 1 partition	4 bytes: start address of program 4 bytes: size of program 4 bytes: crc of program 4 bytes: version of program 4 bytes: activation code of program: 1 activation, others 4*5 bytes: reserve
4*10	Bank 2 partition	4 bytes: start address of program 4 bytes: size of program 4 bytes: crc of program 4 bytes: version of program 4 bytes: activation code of program: 1 activation, others 4*5 bytes: reserve
4*10	Image Update partition	4 bytes: start address of program 4 bytes: size of program 4 bytes: crc of program 4 bytes: version of program 4 bytes: activation code of program: 1 activation, others 4*5 bytes: reserve
64	Public key	Used for ECC signature verification.

Bootsetting crc=CRC32 (MasterBoot Force Update+Bank 1 partition+Bank 2 partition+Image Update partition+public key)

MasterBoot Force Update: MasterBoot program decides whether to enter the serial port update mode by judging this variable.

Bank 1 partition: record the start address, program size, CRC32 value, and activation status of APP1 program.

Bank 2 partition: record the start address, program size, CRC32 value, and activation status of APP2 program.

Image Update partition: record the start address, program size, CRC32 value, and activation status of Image Update program.

Public key: generated by the NSUTIL tool, and used for updating signature verification.

Reserve: reserved field for extension.

3.2 init packet

Serial port update for Init packet

Size (Byte)	Name	Description
4	CRC	Data check value
4	App_start_address	First address of new firmware
4	App_size	Size of new firmware (in bytes)
4	App_crc	Check value of new firmware
4	App_version	Version of new firmware
4*10	Reserve	Reserve

3.3 dfu_setting

NSUTIL. exe update package, which is automatically generated, is used for Bluetooth update. In addition, it finds its application in the signature verification and integrity check of updated firmware.

Size (Byte)	Name	Description
4	CRC	DFU_SETTING data check value
4*4	APP 1 parameter	4 bytes: start address of program 4 bytes: size of program 4 bytes: crc of program 4 bytes: version of program
4*4	APP 2 parameter	4 bytes: start address of program 4 bytes: size of program 4 bytes: crc of program 4 bytes: version of program
4*4	Image Update parameter	4 bytes: start address of program 4 bytes: size of program 4 bytes: crc of program 4 bytes: version of program
64	Signature	HASH data+signature file based on private key

$CRC = CRC32 (APP\ 1\ parameter + APP\ 2\ parameter + Image\ Update\ parameter + Signature)$

APP 1 parameter: start address, size, CRC, and version number of update firmware APP1 program.

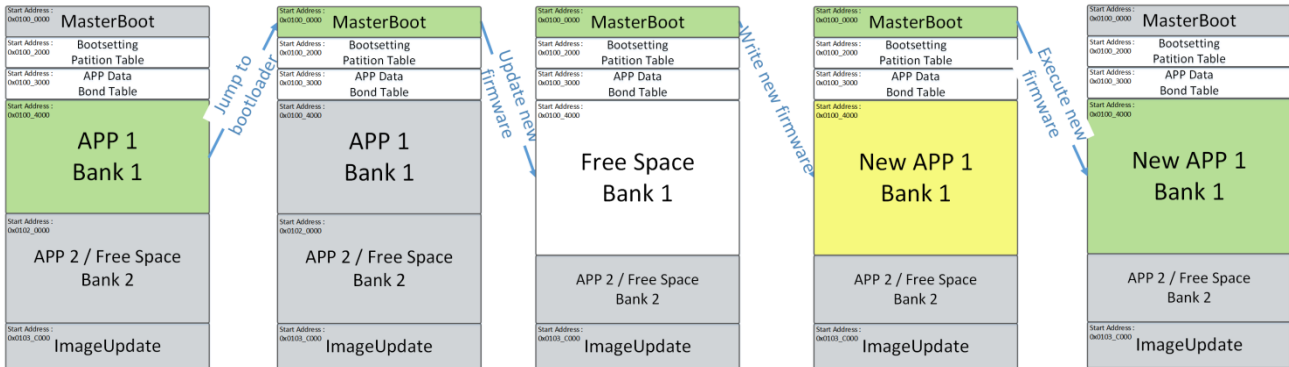
APP 2 parameter: start address, size, CRC, and version number of update firmware APP2 program.

Image Update parameters: starting address, size, CRC, and version number of the Image Update program for firmware update.

Signature = ECC_ECDSA_SHA256_NIST256P (APP 1 parameter+APP 2 parameter+Image Update parameter)

4 Update Process

4.1 Serial port update process

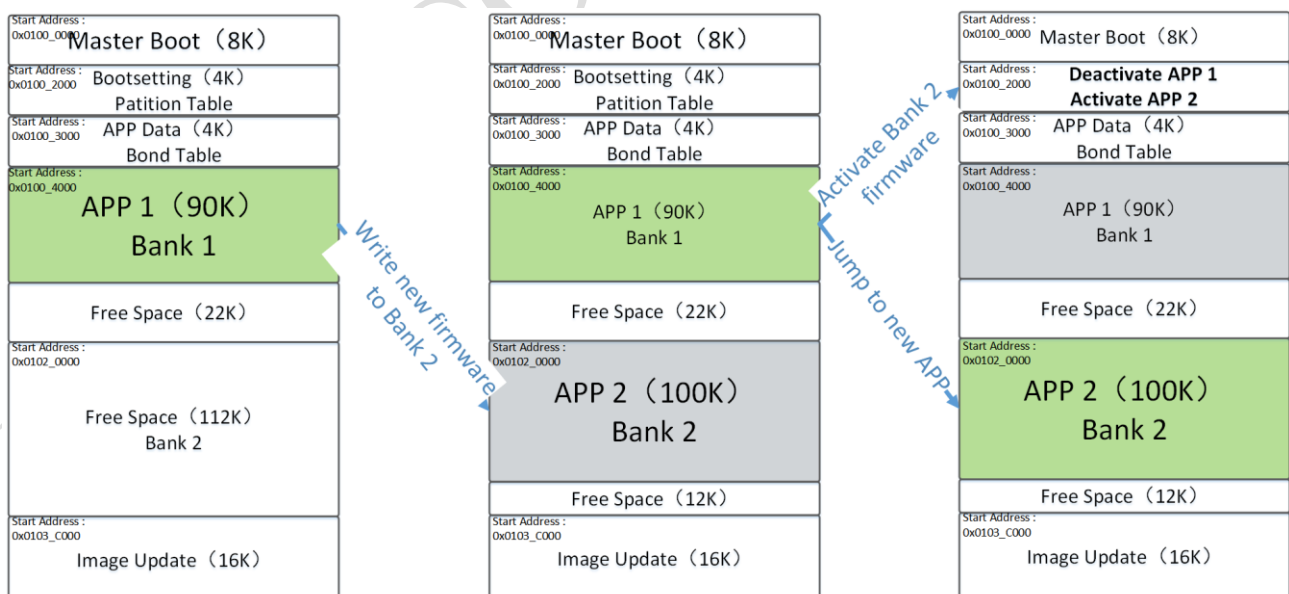


The configuration (*set force_update=True*) in *UartFirmwareUpdate.bat*, sets the MasterBootForceUpdate variable in the bootsetting data, resets the software, and enables the MasterBoot program.

Set the MasterBoot Force Update variable and activate the serial port update process.

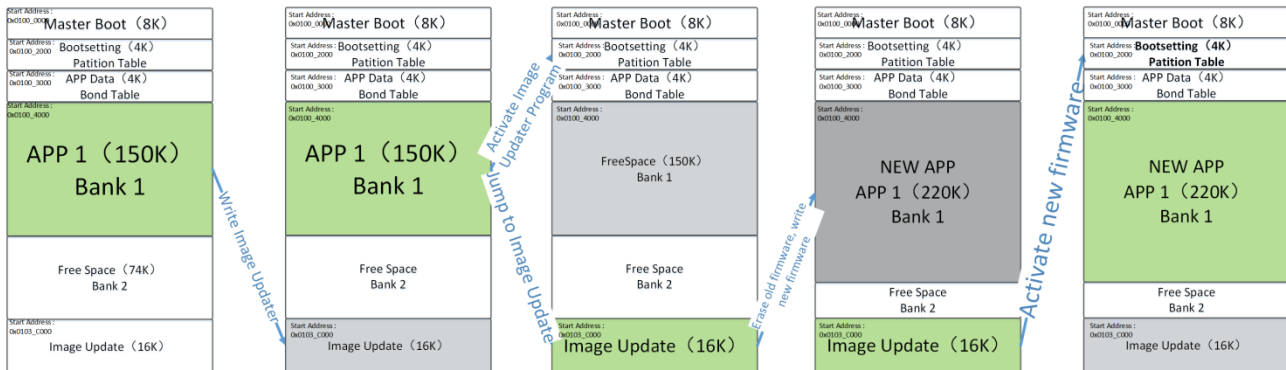
The MasterBoot receives new firmware through serial port, erases the original firmware in the bank 1 area, writes in the new firmware, and afterwards activates them, and finally jumps to new firmware for execution.

4.2 Update process of Bluetooth dual bank



The “dual bank” update is implemented by updating APP1 with APP2, or vice versa. It features faster update speed and higher stability. However, it also faces the disadvantage that the user program can only use half of the FLASH area. An additional bin file of bank2 needs to be generated when we make the update package.

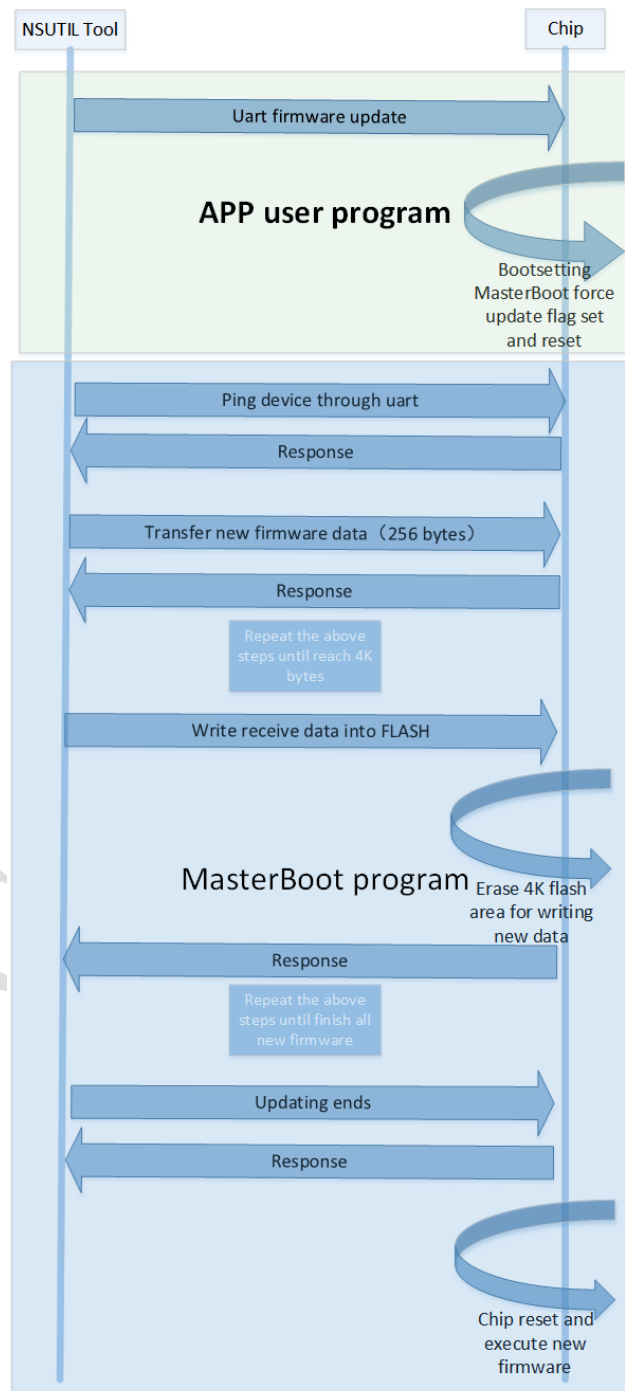
4.3 Update process of Bluetooth single bank



“single bank” update is implemented by updating APP1 program with ImageUpdate program. It has the advantage that the user program can use all FLASH regions, but it also faces the disadvantage of slow update speed, because Bluetooth will disconnection then re-connect causing possible unstable connection and there is no backup when the update fails.

5 Update Command

5.1 Commands for serial port update



5.1.1 Usart dfu

PC upper computer instructs the chip to enter serial port update mode, and the chip will be reset to enter the MasterBoot serial port update mode.

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(PC->chip)
Command number	1	0x07	Forced serial port update
Parameter	3	0x01,0x02,0x03	Prevent false judgment

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(Chip->PC)
Response number	1	0x07	

5.1.2 Ping

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(PC->chip)
Command number	1	0x01	PC upper computer attempts to communicate with chip

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(Chip->PC)
Response number	1	0x01	

5.1.3 Init packet

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(PC->chip)
Command number	1	0x02	Entire new firmware header file
INIT PACKET	Init packet size		Detailed in: init packet

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(Chip->PC)
Response number	1	0x02	
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.1.4 Packet header

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(PC->chip)
Command number	1	0x03	A package of header files

OFFSET	4		Offset of the current update file
SIZE	4		Size of update data to be sent
CRC	4		Data check value of the update package to be sent

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(Chip->PC)
Response number	1	0x03	
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.1.5 Packet

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(PC->chip)
Command number	1	0x04	Update Package Data
Data	<=256-3		Update package data offset based on package header

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(Chip->PC)
Response number	1	0x04	
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.1.6 Postvalidate

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(PC->chip)
Command number	1	0x05	Verify the received data

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(Chip->PC)
Response number	1	0x05	
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.1.7 Activate&Reset

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(PC->chip)
Command number	1	0x06	Activate new firmware and reset software

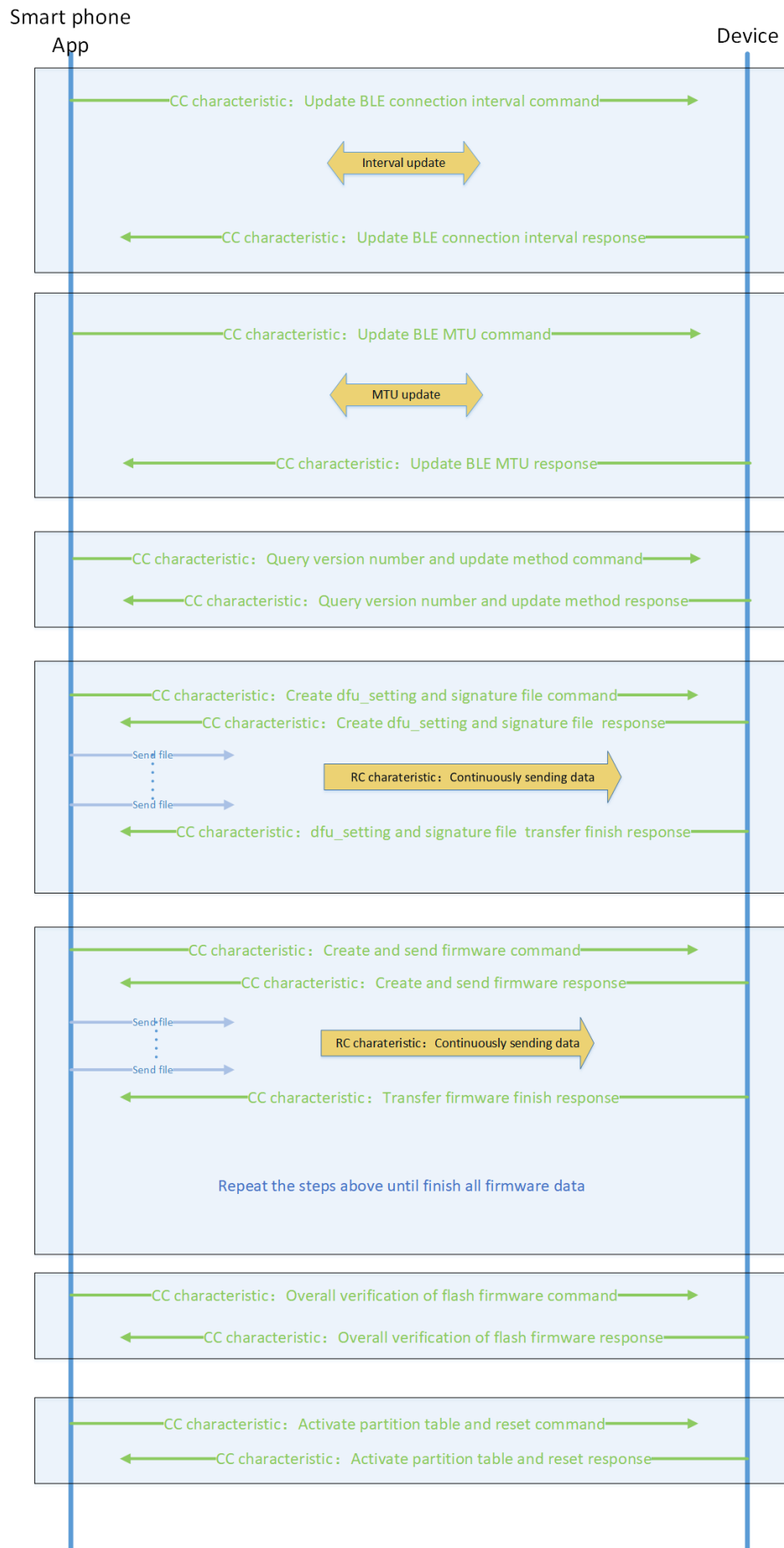
Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Packet header	1	0xAA	(Chip->PC)
Response number	1	0x06	
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.2 Commands for Bluetooth update

- The mobile terminal initiates commands and receives response through CC.
- The data flow of update package is sent to the equipment through RC.
- Services and features

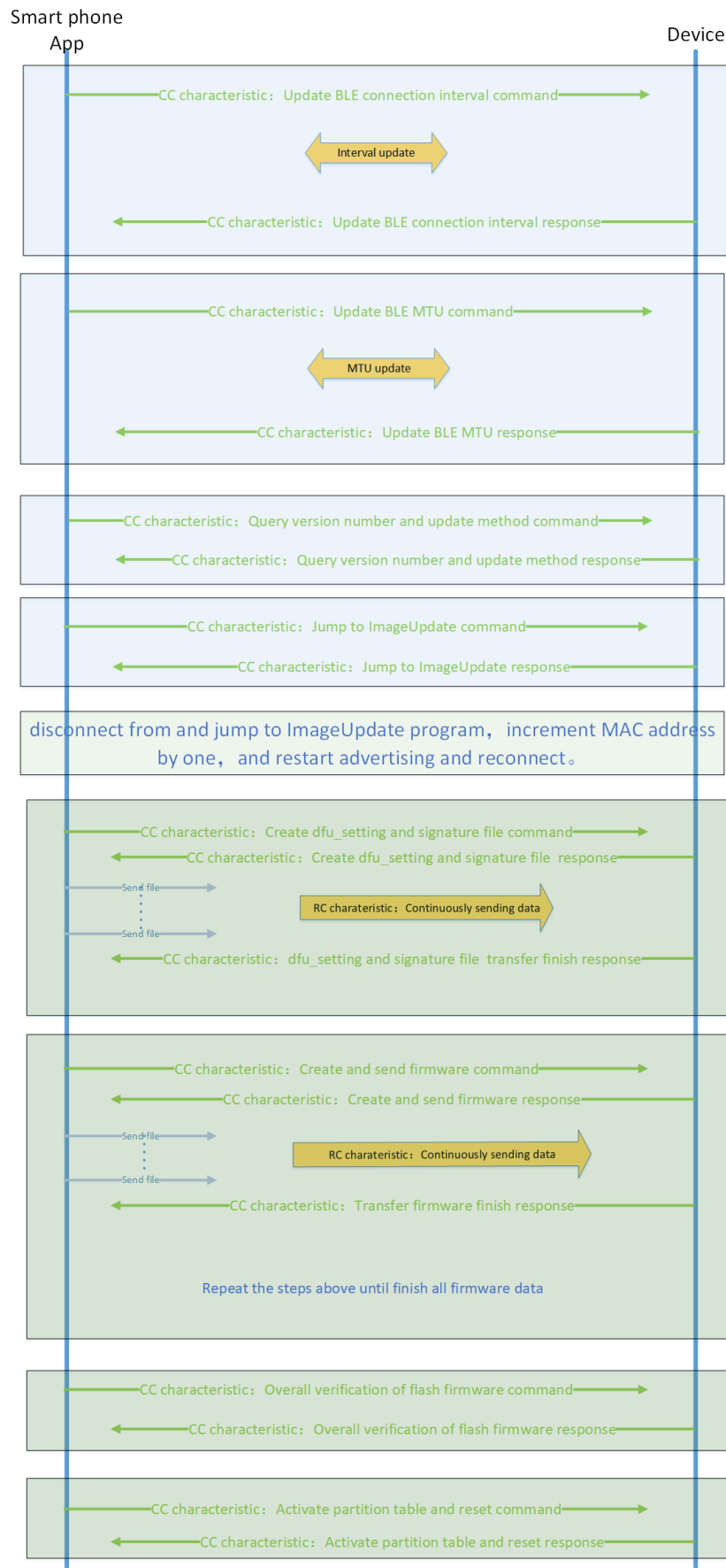
Type	Name	UUID (Hexadecimal)	Attribute	MTU	Function Description
Service	IUS (Image Update Service)	11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-00-01-11-11	Primary		Firmware update service
Characteristic	RC (Receive Characteristic)	11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-00-02-11-11	Write Without Response	20-244	Firmware reception characteristics
Characteristic	CC (Command Characteristic)	11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-00-03-11-11	Notify, Write	20	Command receiving and sending characteristics

- Bluetooth dual bank update



- Single bank update

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5.2.1 Update BLE connection interval

- During update, BLE connection interval is reduced and BLE transmission speed is increased. The mobile phone sends the connection interval parameters to the slave device which in turn initiates the command of updating connection interval parameters.
- Reason: it is uncertain whether Android and IOS have enabled the upper layer command of updating connection interval parameters.
- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Command number	1	1	(Mobile->Device)
Minimum connection interval	2		Unit: 1.25 MS
Maximum connection interval	2		Unit: 1.25 MS
SLAVE LATENCY	2		Reduced number of responses from slave devices
Connection timed out	2		Unit: 10 MS

- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Response number	1	1	(Device->Mobile)
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.2.2 Update BLE MTU

- Increase the MTU with RC. The mobile phone sends new MTU size to the slave device which in turn initiates the command of MTU update.
- Reason: it is uncertain whether the IOS has enabled the upper layer command of MTU update.
- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Command number	1	2	(Mobile->Device)
Size of new MTU	2		Defined by phone model

- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Response number	1	2	(Device->Mobile)
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.2.3 Query version number and update method

- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Command number	1	3	(Mobile->Device)
Size of the new APP1 firmware	4		Unit (byte)
Size of the new APP2 firmware	4		Unit (byte)
Size of the new IMAGE UPDATE firmware	4		Unit (byte)
Version of the new IMAGE UPDATE firmware	4		

- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value		Description
Response number	1	3		(Device->Mobile)
Version of APP1	4			Partition table Bank 1 Version
Version of APP2	4			Partition table Bank 2 Version
Version of IMAGE UPDATE	4			Partition table IMAGE UPDATE Version
Update mode	1	Value	Meaning	Device reads partition table, and calculates whether the remaining space can accommodate the new firmware. If yes, select dual bank update, otherwise select single bank update.
		1	Select APP1	
		2	Select APP2	
		3	Select IMAGE UPDATE	
		4	Jump to IMAGE UPDATE	

5.2.4 Create the dfu_Setting and signature file

- Perform signature verification on the file [dfu_setting](#) received at the device side to determine whether the signature file is legal.
- After the update, the device side can update its own local partition table by using the one in dfu_setting.
- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Command number	1	4	(Mobile->Device)
Size of new DFU SETTING	4		After receiving the data of this size through the RC, the device side notifies the mobile phone of the completed reception through the CC.

- Command of receiving new Bootsetting and signature file
- It is required to, at device side, perform CRC32 integrity verification on Bootsetting, and legitimacy verification on electronic signatures.
- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Response number	1	4	(Device->Mobile)
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.2.5 Create and sending firmware data

- The mobile terminal notifies the device of the data offset value, data size, and data CRC check value that the RC will receive.
- After receiving RC, the device side notifies mobile phone through CC whether the data is successfully received.
- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Command number	1	5	(Mobile->Device)
Offset address of firmware data	4		
Transfer size of firmware data	4		Less than or equal to 2048
Verification CRC of firmware data	4		

- Command of completing firmware data reception
- After reception, perform CRC verification on the received data at device side, verify and write in FLASH. If it reaches 4K offset address, it is required to erase 4K for FLASH backward.
- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Response number	1	5	(Device->Mobile)
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.2.6 Overall verification of FLASH firmware

- Perform CRC verification on the copied firmware at device side, compare it with the firmware CRC in the new partition table, and return the results to the mobile phone.
- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Command number	1	6	(Mobile->Device)

- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Response number	1	6	(Device->Mobile)
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.2.7 Activate partition table and reset

- Modify the firmware corresponding to the local partition table to the active state at device side, respond to the command of mobile phone, and then execute software reset.
- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Command number	1	7	(Mobile->Device)

- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Response number	1	7	(Device->Mobile)
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

5.2.8 Jump to ImageUpdate

- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Command number	1	8	(Mobile->Device)

- Command format: (CC)

Name	Size (Byte)	Value	Description
Response number	1	8	(Device->Mobile)
Error code	1		Detailed in: error code

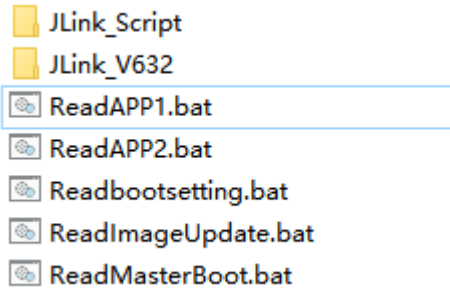
5.3 Error code

Value	Description
0	Success
1	Parameter error
2	CRC error
3	Electronic signature error

6 Tool Explanation

6.1 JLINK tool

Enter N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu\JLink\directory



JLink_V632 folder contains a JLINK tool manufactured by SEGGER. Users need to install a JLINK driver before use.

JLink_Script folder contains a JLink script file. Users can read the data in the chip's Flash by double-clicking the file *Read XX.bat*.

JLink also supports chip FLASH erasure and programming, and the file *JLINK Download at one click.bat* used in the previous chapter is exactly used to implement such functions.

6.2 NSUTIL tool

Enter N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu\NSUtil\folder.

- NSUtil. Exe Windows platform execution program.
- Source folder stores the python source code of NSUtil.exe.
- Small number of the Python code and short development time.

The functions implemented by this tool include:

- Generate [bootsetting.bin](#) file
- Serial port update via PC upper computer
- Packaging tool for Bluetooth update package
- Generate ECC key, digital signature tool

6.3 NSANDROIDUTIL tool

Enter N32WB03x_SDK\utilities\dfu\NSAndroidUtil\folder.

- NSAndroidUtil. Apk Android installation package.

This tool implements the following functions:

- Bluetooth OTA update.

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7 Examples Explanation

Enter directory: N32WB03x_SDK\projects\n32wb03x_EVAL\dfu.

- app_ota
- common
- image_update
- masterboot

7.1 MasterBoot Explanation

```
int main(void)
{
    /// swd -> uart
    dfu_usart1_poll_config(USART1_GPIO_PA45, 1000000);
    if(dfu_usart1_poll_boot_byte(0x7F, POLL_UART_CYCLE) == false)
    {
        dfu_usart1_poll_config(USART1_GPIO_PA45, 115200);
        if(dfu_usart1_poll_boot_byte(0x7F, POLL_UART_CYCLE) == false)
        {
            dfu_usart1_poll_config(USART1_GPIO_PB67, 1000000);
            if(dfu_usart1_poll_boot_byte(0x7F, POLL_UART_CYCLE) == false)
            {
                dfu_usart1_poll_config(USART1_GPIO_PB67, 115200);
                if(dfu_usart1_poll_boot_byte(0x7F, POLL_UART_CYCLE) == false)
                {
                    ///normal boot
                    masterboot();
                }
            }
        }
    }
    NS_SCHED_INIT(256, 16);
    ns_dfu_serial_init();

    while(1)
    {
        app_sched_execute();
        __WFE();
        __SEV();
        __WFE();
    }
}
```

- Configure serial ports PA4/5 and PB6/7 to receive serial port upgrade command data in round at baud rate 1000000 and 115200, respectively.
- If the serial port upgrade command is not received, execute masterboot() : read the bootsetting partition

table, verify and jump the activated firmware directly.

- If the serial port upgrade command is received, the simple scheduling is initialized.
- Initialize the serial port.
- Wait for the serial port to interrupt receiving data.

```
static void sched_evt(void * p_event_data, uint16_t event_size)
{
    switch(*(uint8_t *)p_event_data)
    {
        case SCHED_EVT_RX_DATA:{
            if(m_buffer[0] == DFU_SERIAL_HEADER)
            {
                switch(m_buffer[1]){

                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_Ping:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_ping();
                    }break;
                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_InitPkt:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_init_pkt();
                    }break;
                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_Pkt_header:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_pkt_header();
                    }break;
                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_Pkt:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_pkt();
                    }break;
                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_PostValidate:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_postvalidate();
                    }break;
                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_ActivateReset:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_activate_reset();
                    }break;
                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_JumpToMasterBoot:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_jump_to_master_boot();
                    }break;
                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_OtpRead:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_otp_read();
                    }break;
                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_OtpWrite:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_otp_write();
                    }break;
                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_OtpErase:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_otp_erase();
                    }break;
                    case DFU_SERIAL_CMD_OtpLock:{
                        dfu_serial_cmd_otp_lock();
                    }break;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}
```

- Analyze and handle serial port commands, and respond to the upper computer.

7.2 AppOTA Explanation

```
249 /**
250  * @brief ble initialization
251  * @param
252  * @return
253  * @note
254  */
255 void app_ble_init(void)
256 {
257     struct ns_stack_cfg_t app_handler;
258     app_handler.ble_msg_handler = app_ble_msg_handler;
259     app_handler.user_msg_handler = app_user_msg_handler;
260     //initialization ble stack
261     ns_ble_stack_init(&app_handler);
262
263     app_ble_gap_params_init();
264     app_ble_sec_init();
265     app_ble_adv_init();
266     app_ble_prf_init();
267     //start adv
268     ns_ble_adv_start();
269 }
```

- Configure MAC address of Bluetooth.
- Configure the name of Bluetooth broadcast.
- Add IUS service.

```

main.c* app_user_config.h app_ns_ius.c ns_dfu_ble.c
18
19
20 void ns_dfu_ble_handler_cc(uint8_t const *input, uint8_t input_len, uint8_t *output, uint8_t *output_len)
21 {
22
23     switch(input[0]){
24
25         case OTA_CMD_CONN_PARAM_UPDATE:{
26             struct gapc_conn_param conn_param;
27             conn_param.intv_min = input[1]<<8 | input[2];
28             conn_param.intv_max = input[3]<<8 | input[4];
29             conn_param.latency = input[5]<<8 | input[6];
30             conn_param.time_out = input[7]<<8 | input[8];
31             app_env.manual_conn_param_update = 1;
32             app_update_param(&conn_param);
33             *output_len = 0;
34         }break;
35         case OTA_CMD_MTU_UPDATE:{
36             app_env.manual_mtu_update = 1;
37             app_mtu_set(input[1]<<8 | input[2]);
38             *output_len = 0;
39         }break;
40         case OTA_CMD_VERSION:{
41             rc_mtu_offset = 0;
42             memset(&m_ota_image,0,sizeof(m_ota_image));
43             uint32_t new_appl_size = input[1]<<24 | input[2]<<16 | input[3]<<8 | input[4];
44             uint32_t new_app2_size = input[5]<<24 | input[6]<<16 | input[7]<<8 | input[8];
45             uint32_t new_image_update_size = input[9]<<24 | input[10]<<16 | input[11]<<8 | input[12];
46             uint32_t new_image_update_version = input[13]<<24 | input[14]<<16 | input[15]<<8 | input[16];
47
48             #ifdef APPLICATION
49
50                 ota_selection = 0;
51
52                 if(CURRENT_APP_START_ADDRESS == NS_APP1_START_ADDRESS){
53                     if(ns_bootsetting.appl.size > NS_APP1_DEFAULT_SIZE || new_appl_size > NS_APP1_DEFAULT_SIZE || new
54                     if(ns_bootsetting.ImageUpdate.Crc == dfu_crc32((uint8_t *) ((uint32_t *) ns_bootsetting.ImageUpda
55                     if(new_image_update_version > ns_bootsetting.ImageUpdate.version){
56                         ota_selection = 0;
57

```

- Handle CC commands

```

301
302
303
304 void ns_dfu_ble_handler_rc(uint8_t const *input, uint32_t input_len)
305 {
306     switch(m_rc_state){
307
308     case OTA_RC_STATE_DFU_SETTING:{
309         m_rc_state = OTA_RC_STATE_NONE;
310         memcpy(&m_dfu_setting, input, sizeof(Dfu_setting_t));
311         uint32_t crc = dfu_crc32((uint8_t *)&m_dfu_setting.crc + 4, sizeof(Dfu_setting_t) - 4);
312         if(crc == m_dfu_setting.crc){
313             uint8_t error = 0;
314
315             #if OTA_ECC_ECDSA_SHA256_ENABLE
316             uint8_t raw_data[sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t)*3];
317             memcpy(raw_data,&m_dfu_setting.appl,sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t));
318             memcpy(raw_data+sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t),&m_dfu_setting.app2,sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t));
319             memcpy(raw_data+sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t)*2,&m_dfu_setting.image_update,sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t));
320             uint8_t hash_digest[32];
321             if(ERROR_SUCCESS == ns_lib_ecc_hash_sha256(raw_data, sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t)*3, hash_digest)){
322                 if(ERROR_SUCCESS != ns_lib_ecc_ecdsa_verify(ns_bootsetting.public_key, hash_digest, 32, m_dfu_se
323                     error = 3;
324             }
325             }else{
326                 error = 3;
327             }
328             #endif
329
330
331             uint8_t response[2] = {OTA_CMD_CREATE_OTA_SETTING};
332             response[1] = error;
333             ns_ble_ius_app_cc_send(response,sizeof(response));
334         }else{
335             uint8_t response[2] = {OTA_CMD_CREATE_OTA_SETTING};
336             response[1] = 2;
337             ns_ble_ius_app_cc_send(response,sizeof(response));
338         }
339     }
340 }

```

- Handle RC commands and data
- To create an update package, users need to modify the IROM1 in Keil's Options for Target and the number after APP and After Build Run # 2. The specific method is described as follows.

Options for Target 'N32WB03x'

Device | Target | Output | Listing | User | C/C++ | Asm | Linker | Debug | Utilities

ARM ARMC0

Xtal (MHz): 12.0

Operating system: None

System Viewer File:

☐ Use Custom File

Code Generation

ARM Compiler: Use default compiler version 5

☐ Use Cross-Module Optimization

☒ Use MicroLIB ☐ Big Endian

Read/Only Memory Areas

default	off-chip	Start	Size	Startup
<input type="checkbox"/>	ROM1:			<input type="radio"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	ROM2:			<input type="radio"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	ROM3:			<input type="radio"/>
	on-chip			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IROM1:	0x1004000	0x1C000	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	IROM2:			<input type="radio"/>

Read/Write Memory Areas

default	off-chip	Start	Size	NoInit
<input type="checkbox"/>	RAM1:			<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	RAM2:			<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	RAM3:			<input type="checkbox"/>
	on-chip			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	IRAM1:	0x20008000	0x3B00	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	IRAM2:			<input type="checkbox"/>

OK Cancel Defaults Help

Options for Target 'N32WB03x'

Device | Target | Output | Listing | User | C/C++ | Asm | Linker | Debug | Utilities

Command Items

	User Command	...	Stop on Exi...	S...
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Before Compile C/C++ File				
<input type="checkbox"/> Run #1			Not Specified	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Run #2			Not Specified	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Before Build/Rebuild				
<input type="checkbox"/> Run #1			Not Specified	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Run #2			Not Specified	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> After Build/Rebuild				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Run #1	fromelf --bin --output=.\bin\app_ota.bin .\Obje...		Not Specified	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Run #2	pp_ota.bin ..\..\..\..\utilities\dfu\Image\APP2.bin		Not Specified	<input type="checkbox"/>

☐ Run 'After-Build' Conditionally

☒ Beep When Complete ☐ Start Debugging

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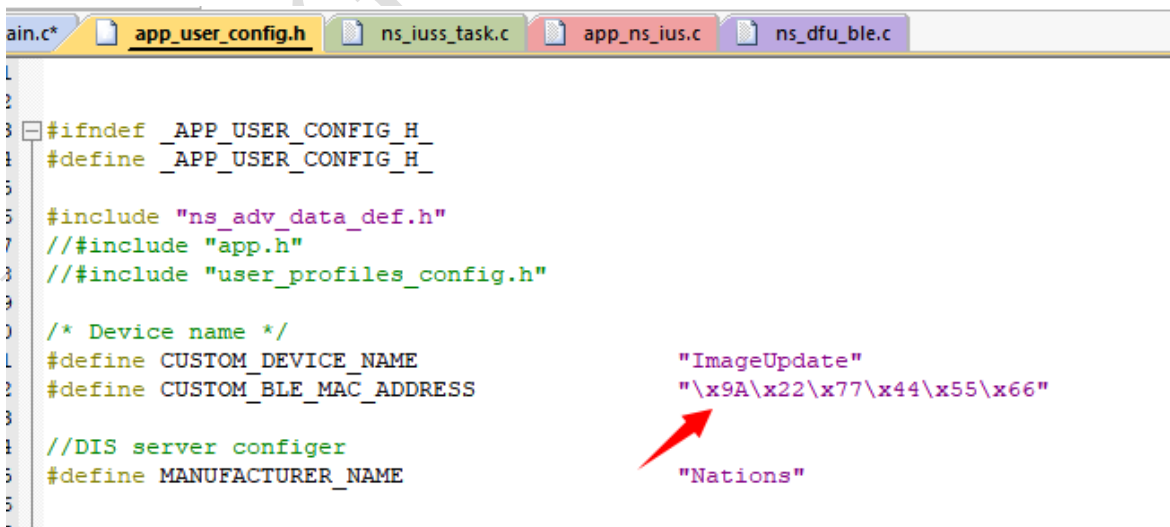
- IROM1: 0x1004000 corresponds to the APP 1 program address of Bank 1; Run # 2 is modified to APP1 (the corresponding APP1.bin file is generated under the Image folder)
- IROM1: 0x1020000 corresponds to the APP 1 program address of Bank 1; Run # 2 is modified to APP2 (the corresponding APP2. bin file is generated under the Image folder)

7.3 ImageUpdate Explanation

```

3
4 int main(void)
5 {
6     *(uint32_t*)0x40007014 = 0x0000080F;
7     *(uint32_t*)0x40007020 = 0x00020018;
8
9     PWR->VTOR_REG = 0x00000000;
10    NS_BLE_STACK_INIT();
11
12
13    RCC->CFG &= ~1;
14    while((RCC->CFG & (1<<2)));
15
16    bootsetting_reset();
17
18    app_init();
19    prf_init(RWIP_INIT);
20
21    while(1)
22    {
23        rwip_schedule();
24    }
25 }
26

```



```

1
2
3 #ifndef _APP_USER_CONFIG_H_
4 #define _APP_USER_CONFIG_H_
5
6 #include "ns_adv_data_def.h"
7 // #include "app.h"
8 // #include "user_profiles_config.h"
9
10 /* Device name */
11 #define CUSTOM_DEVICE_NAME "ImageUpdate"
12 #define CUSTOM_BLE_MAC_ADDRESS "\x9A\x22\x77\x44\x55\x66"
13
14 //DIS server configer
15 #define MANUFACTURER_NAME "Nations"
16

```

- Add one to the last bit of the Bluetooth MAC address.

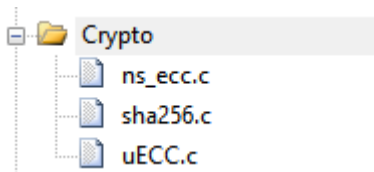
8 Explanation of Encryption

```
#define OTA_ECC_ECDSA_SHA256_ENABLE

#if OTA_ECC_ECDSA_SHA256_ENABLE
#include "ns_ecc.h"
#endif
```

Figure 1

- Enable the macro `OTA_ECC_ECDSA_SHA256_ENABLE` in AppOTA and ImageUpdate program, so as to enables update and signature verification.



- The project includes these files to realize the verification interface.

```
#if OTA_ECC_ECDSA_SHA256_ENABLE
uint8_t raw_data[sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t)*3];
memcpy(raw_data,&m_dfu_setting.appl,sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t));
memcpy(raw_data+sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t),&m_dfu_setting.app2,sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t));
memcpy(raw_data+sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t)*2,&m_dfu_setting.image_update,sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t));
uint8_t hash_digest[32];
if(ERROR_SUCCESS == ns_lib_ecc_hash_sha256(raw_data, sizeof(Dfu_setting_bank_t)*3, hash_digest)){
    if(ERROR_SUCCESS != ns_lib_ecc_ecdsa_verify(ns_bootsetting.public_key, hash_digest, 32, m_dfu_setting.signature)){
        error = 3;
    }
}
else{
    error = 3;
}
}
#endif
```

- When receiving the `dfu_setting` data, the embedded side uses the above method for signature verification.
- Generate an update package, use ECC to sign and encrypt the firmware parameters, including CRC, size, and others, and save them in `dfu_setting`. After receiving the `dfu_setting`, the embedded side uses known public key to verify the signature. You can indeed start the update (that is, erasing and writing FLASH) when the signature verification is successful.
- Only the unique information of the firmware is encrypted and signed, so that the signature verification at the embedded side is accelerated and the firmware update is well protected.

9 Common Problems

9.1 Run <JLINKProgramming.bat> problems in WIN7

WIN7 shows that api-ms-win-core-path-l1-1-0.dll is lost and the dll file will be stored in the directory C:\Windows\System32.

Users can find this dll file in the same directory of other genuine Windows computers or consult the Technical Support Department.

10 Version History

Date	Version	Modification
2022/12/28	V1.2	Initial version
2025/4/2	V1.3	Update uart upgrade flow into masterboot, remove app_uart demo.

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