

## User guide

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# N32A455 Series BOOT interface instruction user guide

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## Introduction

User guide mainly describes the BOOT interface instructions of N32A455 series MCU, which is easy to download and develop by using the NSING technology BOOT Loader.

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## 1 BOOT brief introductions

User Guide Applicable to N32A455 series chips, provides users with download functions, details are as follows:

- 1) Interface support:
  - A. USART1 is supported. For details about the baud rate, see 2.2.1
  - B. Support USB interface, using DFU protocol download;

The physical interface list is as follows:

Series/Model	USART1-TX	USART1-RX
N32A455 series	PA9	PA10

Serial port automatic baud rate detection and serial port baud rate negotiation:

- Serial port baud rate automatic detection:

After power-on, 0x7F is sent through the serial port of the upper computer, and MCU detects the data sent by the upper computer and identifies the baud rate of serial communication. This method is only applicable to BOOT V2.1.

- Serial port baud rate negotiation:

After power-on, when the upper computer communicates with the universal MCU through the serial port, the baud rate of 9600bps is used for communication. Run the CMD\_SET\_BR command to reset the baud rate, and the response will take effect after a successful response is returned. If the specified baud rate is not supported, the state will return to failure. This method is only applicable to BOOT V2.2.

- 2) Support Flash erasure (make sure the page has been erased before downloading);
- 3) Support data or program download function;
- 4) Support download data CRC32 verification;
- 5) Supports power-on BOOT self-verification.
- 6) Jump to the user area for execution.
- 7) Support software reset chip operation;
- 8) Support FLASH partition and partition eraser download key authentication;

- 9) Support partition key update;
- 10) Support encrypted download (AES-128 ECB)

This document describes in detail the functions, implementation and usage of the universal MCU chip BOOT.

## 2 BOOT Process and command processing

The BOOT program supports downloading user programs and data through USART/USB ports. During power-on, the interface is automatically identified. The following describes the command processing process.

### 2.1 Commands and data structures

#### 2.1.1 The list of commands

Table 2.1 Command definition

Name of the command	Key value	Brief description
CMD_SET_BR	0x01	Set the baud rate of the serial port (Valid only when serial ports are used)
CMD_GET_INF	0x10	Read chip model index, BOOT version number, chip ID
CMD_GET_RNG	0x20	Get random number
CMD_KEY_UPDATE	0x21	Update the encryption download key or partition authentication key
CMD_FLASH_ERASE	0x30	Erase FLASH
CMD_FLASH_DWNLD	0x31	Download user programs to FLASH
CMD_DATA_CRC_CHECK	0x32	CRC verification download user program
CMD_OPT_RW	0x40	Read/configure option bytes (including read protection level, FLASH page write protection, dataA0/1 configuration, USER configuration)
CMD_USERX_OP	0x41	Get the partition USERX size and set the partition USERX size
CMD_SYS_RESET	0x50	The system reset

#### 2.1.2 The data structure

This section describes some conventions described in the following sections. "<>" represents fields that must be included, and "()" represents fields that must be included according to parameters.

## 1. Logical layer instruction data structure

### 1) Upper instruction structure:

$\langle \text{CMD\_H} + \text{CMD\_L} + \text{LEN} + \text{Par} \rangle + (\text{DAT})$ .

$\text{CMD\_H}$  indicates the level-1 command field, and  $\text{CMD\_L}$  indicates the level-2 command field.  $\text{LEN}$  indicates the length of data to be sent.  $\text{Par}$  represents a four-byte command parameter;  $\text{DAT}$  represents the specific data sent from the upper level instruction to the lower level;

### 2) Lower response structure:

$\langle \text{CMD\_H} + \text{CMD\_L} + \text{LEN} \rangle + (\text{DAT}) + \langle \text{CR1+CR2} \rangle$ .

$\text{CMD\_H}$  indicates the level-1 command field, and  $\text{CMD\_L}$  indicates the level-2 command field. The command fields at the lower level are the same as those at the upper level.  $\text{LEN}$  indicates the length of data to be sent.  $\text{DAT}$  indicates the specific data that the lower layer replies to the upper layer.  $\text{CR1+CR2}$  indicates the command execution result returned to the upper layer. If the level-1 and level-2 command fields do not belong to any command,  $\text{BOOT}$  replies  $\text{CR1}=0xBB$  and  $\text{CR2} = 0xCC$ .

## 2. Physical layer instruction data structure

### 1) USB interface instruction data structure

USB interface adopts DFU protocol, see 'DFU\_1.1' for details:

- The upper computer issues the upper instruction:

Use the  $\text{DFU\_DNLOAD}$  request to deliver the upper-layer instruction data.

- The upper computer gets the lower response command:

Use the  $\text{DFU\_GETSTATUS}$  request to get the underlying reply instruction data.

### 2) Serial command data structure:

- The upper computer issues the upper instruction:

$\text{STA1} + \text{STA2} + \{\text{superstructure}\} + \text{XOR}$ .

$\text{STA1}$  and  $\text{STA2}$  are the start bytes of commands sent through the serial port.

STA1=0xAA and STA2=0x55. The chip is used to identify the serial port data stream sent by the host computer.

XOR represents the XOR operation value of the previous command byte (STA1 + STA2 + {superstructure}).

- The upper computer receives the lower response:

STA1 + STA2 + {lower response structure} + XOR.

STA1 and STA2 are the start bytes of commands sent through the serial port.

STA1=0xAA and STA2=0x55. It is used for the host computer to identify the chip and send serial port data stream

XOR represents the XOR operation value of the previous command byte (STA1 + STA2 + {underlying reply structure}).

## 2.2 Command description

### 2.2.1 CMD\_SET\_BR

This command is used only for the BOOT version that supports baud rate negotiation and changes the baud rate over a serial port.

#### Upper-level instructions:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x01	Level-1 command field						
1(CMD_L)	0x00	Level-2 command field						
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data: 0x00, 0x00							
4~7(Par)	Par[0~3] : Set baud rate parameters							
(DAT)	There is no							

- Par[0~3], the serial port baud rate negotiation value can be set to the maximum, the setting range is 2.4Kbps ~ 4.5Mbps;
- Reserved value: 0x00;

#### Underlying response:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0

0(CMD_H)	0x01 Level-1 command field
1(CMD_L)	0x00 Level-2 command field
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data: 0x00, 0x00
(DAT)	There is no
4(CR1)	Status byte 1
5(CR2)	Status byte 2

- Status bytes (CR1 and CR2) are divided into the following types according to command execution:

1. Return success: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00).
2. Return failure: status flag bits (0xB0, 0x00).

The following are the baud rate values supported by baud rate negotiation (✓ : supported; / : not supported) :

- N32A455 series MCU BOOT V2.1

Clock parameters (MHz)		Baud rate								
		2400	4800	9600	14400	19200	38400	57600	115200	128000
External clock	4	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	6	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	8	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	12	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	16	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	24	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	32	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Internal clock	8	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√

- N32A455 series MCU BOOT V2.2 serial port baud rate support

Clock parameters (MHz)		Baud rate														
		2400	4800	9600	14400	19200	38400	57600	115200	128000	256000	576000	923076	1M	2M	2.25 M
External clock	4	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	6	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	8	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	12	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	16	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	/	/
	24	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	32	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	/	/	/
Internal clock	8	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	/	/

- N32A455 series MCU BOOT V2.3, BOOT V2.4 serial port baud rate support

Clock parameters (MHz)		Baud rate																
		2400	4800	9600	14400	19200	38400	57600	115200	128000	256000	576000	923076	1M	2M	2.25 M	3M	4M
External clock	4	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	6	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	8	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	12	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	16	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	24	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
	32	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√
Internal clock	8	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	/	/	/	/

### 2.2.2 CMD\_GET\_INF

The command reads the BOOT version number, chip model index, chip ID, and chip serialization information.

#### Upper-level instructions:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x10 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	0x00 Level 2 command field							
2~3 (LEN)	Length of sent data							
4~7(Par)	reserved							
(DAT)	There is no							

- Reserved value: 0x00.
- LEN Send data length: 0x00(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] +(LEN[1]<<8).

#### Underlying response:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x10 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	0x00 Level 2 command field							
2~3 (LEN)	The length of the data							
4~54(DAT)	BOOT version number, chip model index, chip ID, and chip serialization							
55(CR1)	Status byte 1							
56(CR2)	Status byte 2							

- The procedure byte (CMD\_H) corresponds to the upper instruction (CMD\_H).
- LEN is the data length: 0x33(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] +(LEN[1]<<8).
- DAT[0] Chip model index

Product number: 0x01

- DAT[1] 0xXY, BOOT command set version number (BCD code)
  - 0x10: indicates the command set version used by BOOT, indicating that V1.0 command set version is used
- DAT[2] : BOOT code version
- DAT[3~50] 48Byte
  - DAT[3~18] : 16Byte UCID (for example, 36 01 01 A0 15 50 36 33 50 30 35 30 30 30 09 7D 22)
  - DAT[19~30] : 12Byte Chip ID(UID) (example: 36 01 01 50 36 33 50 30 35 09 7D 22)

DAT[31~34] : 4Byte DBGMCU\_IDCODE (example: 01 54 87 F8)

UCID, UID, and DBGMCU\_IDCODE are defined in the UM\_N32G45x Series User Manual, UM\_N32G4FR Series User Manual, and UM\_N32WB452 Series User Manual.

DAT[35~50] : 16 bytes (reserved);

- Status bytes (CR1 and CR2) are divided into the following types according to command execution:

1. Return success: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00).
2. Return failure: status flag bits (0xB0, 0x00).

### 2.2.3 CMD\_KEY\_RNG

Gets the random number of the key that the user needs to verify.

#### Upper-level instructions:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x20 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	0x00 Level 2 command field							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
4~7(Par)	reserved							
(DAT)	There is no							

- Reserved value: 0x00;
- LEN Send data length: 0x00(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).

#### Underlying response:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x20 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	0x00 Level 2 command field							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
4~19(DAT)	A truly random number of 16Bytes							
20(CR1)	Status byte 1							
21(CR2)	Status byte 2							

- LEN Send data length: 0x10(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).
- The true random number of 16 bytes is generated by the chip.
- Status bytes (CR1 and CR2) are divided into the following types according to command execution:

1. Return success: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00).

2. Return failure: status flag bits (0xB0, 0x00).

#### 2.2.4 CMD\_KEY\_UPDATE

The user can update the encryption download key and partition authentication key. Before updating, the user needs to use CMD\_KEY\_RNG to obtain a random number. The random number is used by the upper computer to produce a 16Bytes old key authentication value, which is then sent to the BOOT by using the CMD\_KEY\_UPDATE command. This verifies whether to update the key. The new key needs to be decrypted with the old key.

##### Upper-level instructions:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x21 Level-1 Command field							
1(CMD_L)	Secondary command field: KEY index ID							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
4~7(Par)	Reserved value: 0x00							
8~55(DAT)	DAT[0~15] : 16Bytes old key authentication value							
	DAT[16-31] : indicates the new encryption value of 16 bytes							
	DAT[32 to 47] : indicates the CRC32 encryption value							
	4Bytes CRC32 check value (old key + new key) + 12Bytes fill the value 0x00							
	The 16Bytes of data are then encrypted with the old key							

- CMD\_L: indicates the ID of the key index to be updated
  1. ID(0x00-0x1f) : indicates the ID of the key index.
- LEN Send data length: 0x30(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).
- Reserved value: 0x00.
- DAT[32 to 47] : indicates the CRC32 parity value.
- DAT[0~15] : a 16-bit random number obtained by CMD\_KEY\_RNG and an authentication value generated by the old key.
- DAT[16-31] : indicates a new key encrypted with the old key. BOOT indicates a new key decrypted with the old key and then saved.

##### Underlying response:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x21 Level-1 Command field							
1(CMD_L)	Secondary command field: key ID							

2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data
(DAT)	There is no
4(CR1)	Status byte 1
5(CR2)	Status byte 2

- LEN Send data length: 0x00(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).
- Status bytes (CR1 and CR2) are divided into the following types according to command execution:

1. Return success: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00).
2. Return failure: status flag bits (CR1, CR2)
  - 1) (0xB0, 0x00) : return failed.
  - 2) (0xB0, 0x10) : The key index ID range is incorrect.
  - 3) (0xB0, 0x11) : The CRC check of the new key is incorrect.
  - 4) (0xB0, 0x20) : Authentication of the old key fails.
  - 5) (0xB0, 0x21) : The number of old key authentication failures exceeds the limit.
  - 6) (0xB0, 0x3F) : Failed to update the management information.

### 2.2.5 CMD\_FLASH\_ERASE

BOOT erases the FLASH by page. The page address number and page number can be specified by the user. The erasure space cannot exceed the entire FLASH space and at least one page can be erased.

If the authentication function is enabled, the CMD\_KEY\_RNG command is used to obtain a random number and perform authentication before erasing the authentication function.

BOOT erases the FLASH by page. The page address number and page number can be specified by the user. The erasure space cannot exceed the entire FLASH space and at least one page can be erased.

#### Upper-level instructions:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x30 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	Level 2 command field: Erase partition number							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
4~7(Par)	Page address number 2 bytes: 0 to 255 Page Number 2 bytes :1 to 256							
8~23(DAT)	DAT[0:15] : 16 bytes User1/2/3 partition authentication key							

authentication value, used only when authentication is enabled

- **CMD\_L**: erases the partition number
  1. 0 x00 = USER1;
  2. 0 x01 = USER2;
  3. 0 x02 = USER3;
- LEN Send data length: 0x10(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).
- The erase address and range consist of four bytes in the Par field

Par[0~1] : page address number 2 bytes (0~255)

Page address = Par [0] + (Par [1]<<8);

Par[2~3] : Page number 2 bytes (1~256)

Page count = Par [2] + (Par [3]<<8);

The beginning address of page 0 is 0x0800\_0000. The number of subsequent pages is incremented by 1, and the first address is incremented by 0x800.

Such as:

The beginning address of page 1 is 0x0800\_0000 + 1\*0x800 = 0x0800\_0800

The beginning address of page 2 is 0x0800\_0000 + 2\*0x800 = 0x0800\_1000

The entire address range erased

For example, the page address is 0x01 and the number of pages is 0x02

Erasing address range:

(0x0800\_0000 + 1\*0x800) ~ (0x0800\_0000 + 1\*0x800 + 2\*0x800)

That is, (first address of the page number) to (First address of the page number + number of pages x page size)

#### Underlying response:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x30	Level-1 command field						
1(CMD_L)	Secondary command field: Erase area							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
(DAT)	There is no							
4(CR1)	Status byte 1							
5(CR2)	Status byte 2							

- LEN Send data length: 0x00(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).
- Status bytes (CR1 and CR2) are divided into the following types according to command

execution:

1. Return success: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00).
2. Return failure: status flag bits (CR1, CR2).
  - 1) (0xB0, 0x00) : return failed.
  - 2) (0xB0, 0x20) : Key authentication fails.
  - 3) (0xB0, 0x21) : The number of key authentication failures exceeds the limit.
  - 4) (0xB0, 0x30) : The erased FLASH page is protected by RDP.
  - 5) (0xB0, 0x31) : The erased FLASH page is protected by WRP.
  - 6) (0xB0, 0x32) : deletes the FLASH page to be partitioned.
  - 7) (0xB0, 0x34) : Erasing the FLASH address range exceeds the threshold (indicates that the FLASH size exceeds the threshold).
  - 8) (0xB0, 0x37) : Failed to erase the FLASH.
  - 9) (0xB0, 0x3F) : Failed to update the management information.
  - 10) (0xB0, 0x3F) : Failed to update the management information.

### 2.2.6 CMD\_FLASH\_DWNLD

This command provides the user to download the code into the specified FLASH, and the data length must be 16 bytes aligned (less than 0x00 automatically added by the upper computer), which is provided by the upper-layer command.

When authentication or encryption is enabled, the CMD\_KEY\_RNG command is used to obtain a random number before authentication or encryption is enabled. For partition authentication and encryption download, you need to provide the partition number. To encrypt the downloaded data, decrypt the data into plaintext by encrypting the download key (that is, the key used for partition authentication) and write the data into the FLASH.

#### Upper-level instructions:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
1(CMD_H)	0x31 Level-1 command field							
2(CMD_L)	Secondary command field: Download partition number							
3~4(LEN)	Length of sent data							
5~8(Par)	Start address for downloading the FLASH							
8~23+N(DAT)	DAT[0:15] : 16 bytes Key authentication value for user1/2/3 partition authentication DAT[16~16+N] : Specific data downloaded (encrypted or unencrypted) DAT[N+1 to N+4] : indicates the 4 byte CRC32 check value of							

	unencrypted data
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- **CMD\_L**: indicates the number of the download partition
  1. 0 x00 = USER1;
  2. 0 x01 = USER2;
  3. 0 x02 = USER3;
- **LEN[0]**, 0xXX(**LEN[1]**), **LEN** = **LEN[0]** + (**LEN[1]** << 8)
- **Par [0 ~ 3]** : download the starting Address of the FLASH, synthetic rules to Address = **Par [0]** 8 || **Par [1]** << **Par [2]** | **Par [3]** <<< 16 to 24.
- **DAT [0:15]**, Reserved.
- **DAT[16~16+N]** : Specific data to be downloaded
  1. **USB**: a maximum of 128 bytes, 15 <= N <= 143, N+1 must be a multiple of 16.
  2. **USART**: contains a maximum of 128 bytes. 15 <= N <= 143. N+1 must be a multiple of 16.

**DAT[N+1 to N+4]** : indicates the 4 byte CRC32 check value of unencrypted data.

#### **Underlying response:**

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x31 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	Secondary command field: Download partition number							
2(LEN)	Length of sent data							
(DAT)	There is no							
3(CR1)	Status byte 1							
4(CR2)	Status byte 2							
5(XOR)	Xor result							

- **LEN** Send data length: 0x00(**LEN[0]**), 0x00(**LEN[1]**), **LEN** = **LEN[0]** + (**LEN[1]** << 8).
- Status bytes (CR1 and CR2) are divided into the following types according to command execution:

1. Download success: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00).
2. Download failed: status flag bit (CR1, CR2).
  - 1) (0xB0, 0x00) : return failed.
  - 2) (0xB0, 0x20) : Key authentication fails.
  - 3) (0xB0, 0x21) : The number of key authentication failures exceeds the limit.
  - 4) (0xB0, 0x30) : The downloaded FLASH address is protected by RDP.
  - 5) (0xB0, 0x31) : The downloaded FLASH address is protected by WRP.
  - 6) (0xB0, 0x32) : The downloaded FLASH address is protected by a partition.

- 7) (0xB0, 0x33) : Download FLASH address range across partitions;
- 8) (0xB0, 0x34) : The address range of the downloaded FLASH exceeds the threshold.
- 9) (0xB0, 0x35) : Download FLASH start address is not 16-byte alignment;
- 10) (0xB0, 0x36) : The downloaded FLASH data length is not a multiple of 16.
- 11) (0xB0, 0x37) : Programming the FLASH fails.
- 12) (0xB0, 0x3F) : The management information fails to be updated.

### 2.2.7 CMD\_DATA\_CRC\_CHECK

This command is used to check whether the downloaded data is correct. Considering the download speed and low probability of download failure, the CRC check is performed after the downloaded data is complete. The upper-layer command must provide the CRC value, start address, and check length of the downloaded data.

When authentication is enabled, the CMD\_KEY\_RNG command is used to obtain a random number and perform authentication before CRC verification.

#### Upper-level instructions:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x32 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	Level 2 command field: Parity partition number							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
4~7(Par)	32-bit CRC check value							
8~31(DAT)	DAT[0:15] : 16 bytes Key authentication value for user1/2/3 partition authentication DAT[16:19] : indicates the start IP address of the verification DAT[20:23] : parity length (in bytes, minimum length 2KB)							

- CMD\_L: indicates the verification partition number
  1. 0 x00 = USER1;
  2. 0 x01 = USER2;
  3. 0 x02 = USER3;
- LEN Send data length: 0x18(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).
- Par[0~3] : 32 bit CRC checksum value, the synthetic rules for CRC32 = Par[0] | Par[1]<<8 | Par[2]<<16 | Par[3]<<24.
- DAT[0:15] : authentication key authentication value
- DAT[16~19]: check the starting Address, the synthesis rules to Address = DAT [16] | DAT [17]<<8 | DAT [18]<<16 | DAT [19]<<24, the Address can only be in the range of the FLASH.

- DAT[20~23] : check length, its synthesis rules for  $\text{CRC\_LEN} = \text{DAT}[20] \mid \text{DAT}[21] \ll 8 \mid \text{DAT}[22] \ll 16 \mid \text{DAT}[23] \ll 24$ ,  $\text{CRC\_LEN}$  is only within the effective range, length is larger than 2 KB, and is a multiple of 16.

#### Underlying response:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x32 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	Level 2 command field: Parity partition number							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
(DAT)	There is no							
4(CR1)	Status byte 1							
5(CR2)	Status byte 2							

- LEN Send data length:  $0x00(\text{LEN}[0]), 0x00(\text{LEN}[1]), \text{LEN} = \text{LEN}[0] + (\text{LEN}[1] \ll 8)$ .
- Status bytes (CR1 and CR2) are divided into the following types according to command execution:

1. Verification succeeded: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00).
2. Check failure: status flag bits (CR1, CR2)
  - 1) (0xB0, 0x00) : return failed.
  - 2) (0xB0, 0x20) : CRC verification key authentication fails.
  - 3) (0xB0, 0x21) : The number of CRC key authentication failures exceeds the limit.
  - 4) (0xB0, 0x32) : indicates that CRC check addresses are protected by partitions.
  - 5) (0xB0, 0x33) : indicates that the ADDRESS range of CRC check is across partitions.
  - 6) (0xB0, 0x34) : Indicates that the ADDRESS range of CRC check exceeds the threshold.
  - 7) (0xB0, 0x35) : indicates that CRC addresses are not aligned with 16 bytes.
  - 8) (0xB0 or 0x36) : indicates that the CRC check length is not a multiple of 16 or less than 2KB.
  - 9) (0xB0, 0x38) : CRC verification fails.
  - 10) (0xB0, 0x3F) : The management information fails to be updated.

#### 2.2.8 CMD\_OPT\_RW

This command is used for option byte read and write (including read protection level, FLASH page write protection, datA0/1 configuration, and USER configuration).

#### Upper-level instructions:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x40 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	Secondary command field							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
4~7(Par)								
8~27(DAT)	Option byte configures 20 bytes							

- CMD\_L Secondary command field:

1. 0x00: Gets option bytes.
2. 0x01: Configuration option byte.
3. 0x02: Configuration option byte, reset again.

- LEN Send data length: 0x14(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).

- DAT[0 to 19] : Option byte 20 bytes

RDP, nRDP, USER, nUSER, Data0, nData0, Data1, nData1, WRP0, nWRP0, WRP1, nWRP1, WRP2, nWRP2, WRP3, nWRP3, RDP2, nRDP2, Reserved, nReserved;

1. CMD\_L = 0x00: all values are 0x00.
2. CMD\_L = 0x01/0x02: Configuration option bytes are the values to be written.

#### Underlying response:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x40 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	Secondary command field							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
4~23(DAT)	Option byte configures 20 bytes							
24(CR1)	Status byte 1							
25(CR2)	Status byte 2							

- LEN Send data length: 0x14(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).
- DAT[0 to 19] : The current option contains 20 bytes

RDP, nRDP, USER, nUSER, Data0, nData0, Data1, nData1, WRP0, nWRP0, WRP1, nWRP1, WRP2, nWRP2, WRP3, nWRP3, RDP2, nRDP2, Reserved, nReserved;

- Status bytes (CR1 and CR2) are divided into the following types according to command execution:

1. Return success: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00).
2. Check failure: status flag bits (CR1, CR2)
  - 1) (0xB0, 0x00) : return failed.

### 2.2.9 CMD\_USERX\_OP

This command is used to read or configure the size of the user1/2/3 partition. After the partition is configured, the partition is automatically sealed. The user1/2/3 partition can be configured only once. The software determines whether the NVR MMU partition has been configured (process variables or random delay are added to determine the NVR value).

The recommended configuration process is as follows:

1. If you need to divide two areas, configure USER3 (automatic sealing is complete). If you want to also seal USER1, configure USER1 again. The size of USER1 + USER3 must be the size of the entire FLASH;
2. To divide three zones, configure USER3 (automatic sealing is configured) and then USER2 (automatic sealing is configured). If you want to also seal USER1, configure USER1 again. The size of USER1 + USER2 + USER3 must be the size of the entire FLASH.

#### Upper-level instructions:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x41 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	Secondary command field							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
4~7(Par)	Par[0] : Partition User1/2/3							
	Par [1] : Partition user1/2/3 size							
	Par [2] : Partition authentication key index ID							
	Par [3] : Partition authentication and encryption download enable configuration							
DAT	There is no							

- CMD\_L Secondary command field:

1. 0x00: Read partition user1/2/3 size configuration.
2. 0x01: Partition user1/2/3 size, key ID, and partition authentication/encryption download are enabled.

- LEN Send data length: 0x00(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).
- Par[0] : Partition number
  1. 0x00: partition USER1.
  2. 0x01: partition USER2.
  3. 0x02: partition USER3.
- Par [1] :

1. CMD\_L = 0x00:0x00.
2. CMD\_L = 0x01: partition user1/2/3 size configuration

Input range for partition size: 0x1(16KB)... 0x1F(496KB), 0x20(512KB), USER1 + USER2 + USER3 = 512KB; The user area user1/2/3 size is automatically sealed after configuration.

Partition size and address determined

The start address of the partition is 0x0800\_0000, and the end address of the partition is the start address plus the total FLASH capacity (for example, if the FLASH capacity is 512 KB, the end address is 0x0800\_0000 + 512\*0x800 = 0x0808\_0000).

If USER1 is partitioned, the partition address of USER1 ranges from 0x0800\_0000 to (0x0800\_0000 + USER1\_Size\*0x4000).

If USER3 is partitioned, the partition address of USER3 ranges from (0x0808\_0000 - USER3\_Size\*0x4000) to 0x0800\_8000 (for example, the last FLASH address is 0x0808\_0000).

The initial address of the partition of USER2 is the last address of USER1 and the first address of USER3. If USER1 has no partition, the first address of USER2 needs to be determined by USER2\_Size.

● Par [2] :

1. CMD\_L = 0x00:0xFF.
2. CMD\_L = 0x01:0x00~0x1F Encrypted Download/Partition authentication key index ID, 0xFF indicates that the index ID is not configured. If the corresponding USERX is not configured with an ID, the value of Par[3] is not judged.

● Par [3] :

Enable configuration of partition authentication and encrypted download, 0xXY

X = 0 - If zone authentication is not enabled, set this parameter to 1.

X = 1 - If zone authentication is enabled, the value cannot be 0.

Y = 0 - If encrypted download is not enabled, set this parameter to 1.

Y = 1 - Encrypted download is enabled and cannot be set to 0.

1. CMD\_L = 0x00: read status, retain value 0x00;
2. CMD\_L = 0x01: configuration status, configuration value 0xXY;

**Underlying response:**

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x41 Level-1 command field							

1(CMD_L)	Secondary command field
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data
4~7(DAT)	DAT[0] : partition user1/2/3
	DAT[1] : partition user1/2/3 size
	DAT [2] : Indicates the configuration status of the partition authentication key index ID
	DAT [3] : Read partition authentication and encryption download enable configuration
8(CR1)	Status byte 1
9(CR2)	Status byte 2

- LEN Send data length: 0x02(LEN[0]), 0x00(LEN[1]), LEN = LEN[0] + (LEN[1]<<8).
- DAT[0] : indicates the partition number
  1. 0x00: partition USER1.
  2. 0x01: partition USER2.
  3. 0x02: partition USER3.
- DAT[1] : Read the current partition user1/2/3 size
 

Partition size output range: 0x0(0KB), 0x1(16KB)... 0x1F (496 KB), 0x20 (512 KB).  
0x0 indicates that the partition size is not configured. USER1 + USER2 + USER3 = 512KB.
- DAT [2].
 

1. 0x00, the ID has been configured.  
2. 0xFF, ID is not configured
- DAT [3] :
 

Read partition authentication and encryption download enable configuration, 0xXY  
X = 0 - If zone authentication is not enabled, set this parameter to 1.  
X = 1 - If zone authentication is enabled, the value cannot be 0.  
Y = 0 - If encrypted download is not enabled, set this parameter to 1.  
Y = 1 - Encrypted download is enabled and cannot be set to 0.
- Status bytes (CR1 and CR2) are divided into the following types according to command execution:
  1. Return success: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00).
  2. Return failure: status flag bit (0x70, 0x00)
    - 1) (0xB0, 0x00) : return failed.

- 2) (0xB0, 0x10) : The key index ID range is incorrect.
- 3) (0xB0, 0x3A) : The partition size has been configured and cannot be configured again.
- 4) (0xB0, 0x3B) : the partition size is incorrectly configured. USER1 + USER2 + USER3 = FLASH capacity. The minimum value for user1/2 /2/3 is 0x01(16KB).
- 5) (0xB0, 0x3C) : The partition configuration sequence is incorrect and USER1 or USER3 must be configured first.
- 6) (0xB0, 0x3D) : The partition key index ID fails to be configured or has been configured.
- 7) (0xB0, 0x3E) : The configuration of zone authentication and encryption download fails or has been configured.
- 8) (0xB0, 0x3F) : Failed to update the management information.

### 2.2.10CMD\_SYS\_RESET

This command is used to reset the BOOT program.

#### Upper-level instructions:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x50 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	0x00 Level 2 command field							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
4~7(Par)	reserved							
(DAT)	There is no							

- Reserved value: 0x00;

#### Underlying response:

byte \ bit	b7	b6	b5	b4	b3	b2	b1	b0
0(CMD_H)	0x50 Level-1 command field							
1(CMD_L)	0x00 Level 2 command field							
2~3(LEN)	Length of sent data							
(DAT)	There is no							
4(CR1)	Status byte 1							
5(CR2)	Status byte 2							

- Status bytes (CR1 and CR2) are divided into the following types according to command execution:

1. Return success: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00).
2. Return failure: status flag bits (0xB0, 0x00).

## 2.3 Returns the status word description

### 2.3.1 Returns the success status word

Return success: status flag bit (0xA0, 0x00). It indicates that the command delivered by the upper layer is successfully executed. The returned success status contains the returned value of the read, update, and configuration commands.

### 2.3.2 Returns the failure status word

Return failure: status flag bits (0xB0, 0x00). Indicates that the command delivered by the upper layer fails to be executed due to other reasons (such as incorrect command acceptance format or timeout). Failure status is returned.

### 2.3.3 Return other status words

The following return status words also return failure. The second byte status word indicates a different error type.

- 1) (0xB0, 0x10) : The key index ID range is incorrect.
- 2) (0xB0, 0x11) : The CRC check of the new key is incorrect.
- 3) (0xB0, 0x20) : Key authentication fails.
- 4) (0xB0, 0x21) : The number of key authentication failures exceeds the limit.
- 5) (0xB0, 0x30) : Eraser/download FLASH page protected by RDP;
- 6) (0xB0, 0x31) : Erasing/downloading FLASH pages is protected by WRP.
- 7) (0xB0, 0x32) : Erase/download /CRC addresses are protected by partitions.
- 8) (0xB0, 0x33) : erase/download /CRC check address range across partitions;
- 9) (0xB0, 0x34) : The address range of erase/download /CRC is out of bounds (indicating that the size of the FLASH exceeds the limit).
- 10) (0xB0, 0x35) : The start address of erase/download /CRC is not 16-byte alignment;
- 11) (0xB0, 0x36) : Indicates that the length of the downloaded /CRC data is not a multiple of 16. Data length indicates the length of erasing FLASH, or the length of downloading code to FLASH, or the length of checking FLASH CRC values;
- 12) (0xB0, 0x37) : Erasing or downloading the FLASH program fails.
- 13) (0xB0, 0x38) : CRC verification fails.
- 14) (0xB0, 0x39) : A partition has been configured and the read protection level cannot be changed from L1 to L0.

- 15) (0xB0, 0x3A) : The partition has been configured and cannot be configured again.
- 16) (0xB0, 0x3B) : The partition size is incorrect.  $\text{USER1} + \text{USER2} + \text{USER3} = \text{FLASH capacity}$ .
- 17) (0xB0, 0x3C) : The partition configuration sequence is incorrect and  $\text{USER1}$  or  $\text{USER3}$  must be configured first.
- 18) (0xB0, 0x3D) : The partition key index ID fails to be configured or has been configured.
- 19) (0xB0, 0x3E) : The configuration of zone authentication and encryption download fails or has been configured.
- 20) (0xB0, 0x3F) : Failed to update the management information.
- 21) (0xBB, 0xCC) : The level 1 and level 2 command fields do not belong to any command.

## 3 BOOT Instructions

### 3.1 Upper computer control process

Upper computer support user erasing FLASH area, user code download, download code integrity check. By reading partition information, the upper computer automatically identifies the address range of erasing, downloading and checking entered by the user and requires authentication.

The upper computer supports users to choose whether to enable encryption download to protect user code.

The upper computer supports the user to read and configure the partition user1/2/3 size. The partition size cannot be changed after being configured.

The upper computer supports users to update the security key (used for partition authentication and encryption download).

The upper computer supports user update option byte reading and modification.

The upper computer supports software reset command and jump USER1 reset program entry address execution command.

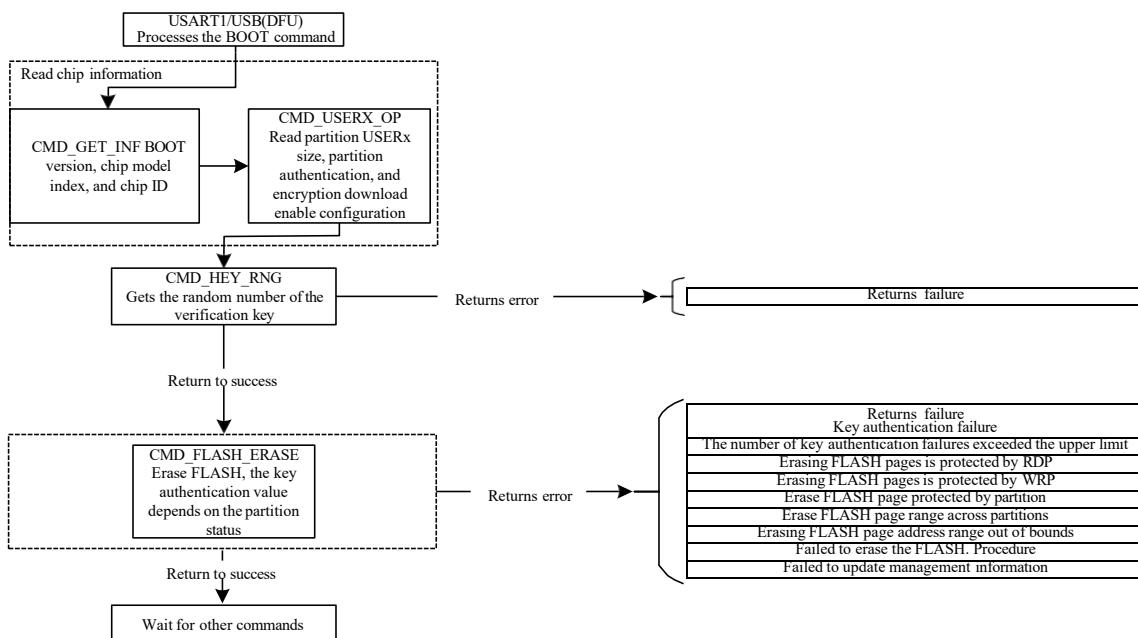
**BOOT:** After you log in to the BOOT, you can interact with the PC TOOL through the USART1 or USB port.

**Chip firmware integrity check:** Select BOOT from the system storage area, and BOOT automatically verifies the integrity. If the verification fails, an infinite loop will be entered, and subsequent functions cannot be used.

**Command set interaction:** The PC TOOL sends different commands based on the command set supported by the BOOT to use corresponding functions.

1. Read BOOT version number, chip model index, chip ID;
2. Get 16byte true random number;
3. Update the security key (for partition authentication and encrypted download);
4. Erase FLASH;
5. Download user programs to FLASH;
6. CRC verification of downloaded user programs;
7. Read/configure option bytes (including read protection level, FLASH page write protection, datA0/1 configuration, USER configuration);
8. Get partition USERX size, set partition USERX size;
9. System reset, you can reset the BOOT program to run again;
10. Jump to USER1 reset program entry address, jump to the reset program entry address downloaded to USER1 partition code;

### 3.1.1 Erase command control flow chart



### 3.1.2 Download the command control flow chart

Partition authentication encryption obtains a random number before downloading, and the host computer uses this random number to generate the key authentication value of 16-byte USER1/2/3 partition authentication. In the case of continuous download, the random number used in the subsequent download command is generated by the random number deriving algorithm of the first time instead of obtaining a new random number.

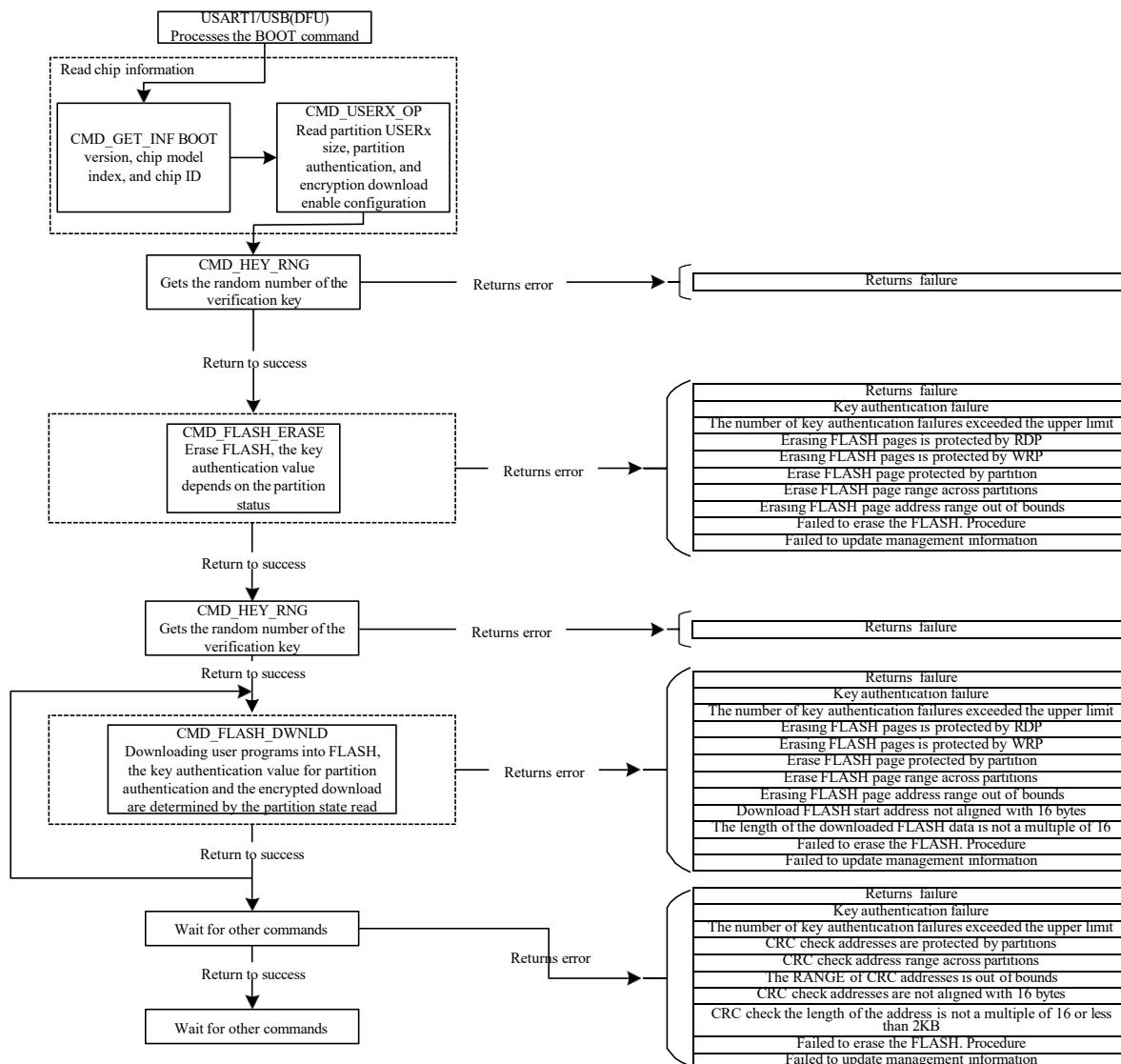


Figure 3.2 flowchart for downloading command control

### 3.1.3 Update the key command control flow chart

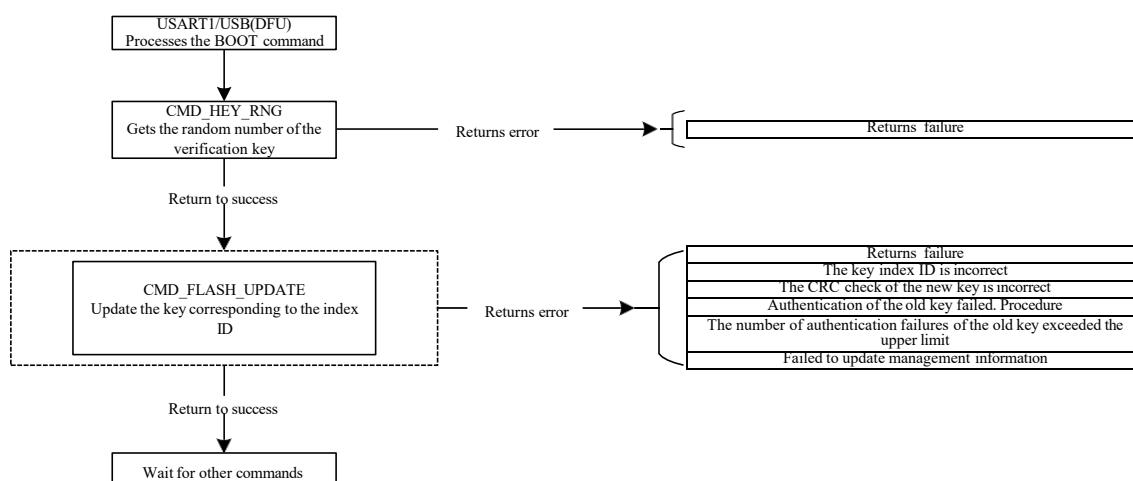


Figure 3.3 command control flowchart for updating a key

### 3.1.4 Flow chart of partition operation commands

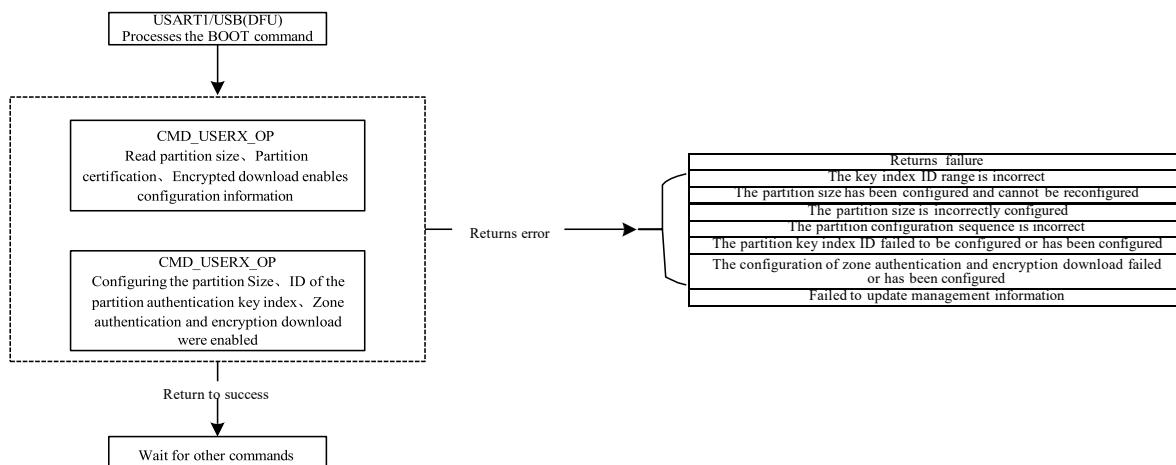


Figure 3.4 Flow chart of commands for Partition Operations

### 3.1.5 Option byte read/write command control flowchart

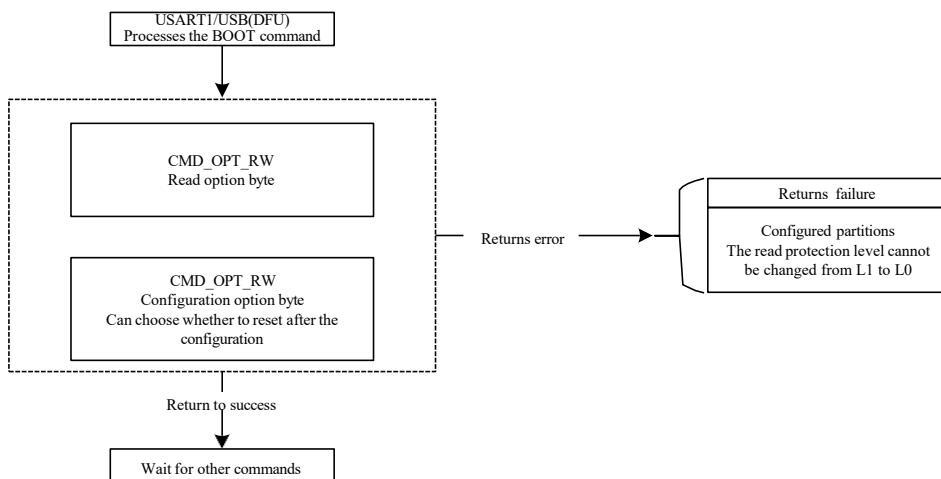


Figure 3.5 flowchart of option byte read/write command control

## 3.2 Precautions for Using BOOT

- When a high-speed crystal (compliant with the data manual requirements) is externally connected to the hardware and VBAT remains powered:

BOOT Version V2.5:

1. Before the MCU enters BOOT mode, if the user program has configured the RTC and set the RTC clock source to LSE, the backup domain will not be reset upon entering BOOT mode, and the user's RTC configuration and normal operation will not be affected.
2. Before the MCU enters BOOT mode, if the user program has not configured the RTC or the RTC clock source is not LSE, the backup domain will be reset upon entering BOOT mode.

BOOT Versions V2.4 and Below:

1. When the MCU enters BOOT mode, the backup domain will be reset.

## 4 BOOT Version description

Version	Modify the record
V2.1	1. Initial version (Automatic Baud rate detection)
V2.2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To optimize the download speed when using UART, automatic baud rate detection is changed to Baud rate negotiation to support higher communication rates. When the clock source is HSI, the maximum baud rate can support 1Mbps, and when the clock source is HSE, the maximum baud rate can support 2.25Mbps.</li> <li>2. The UART-RX pin is configured by Floating as internal pull-up to optimize the connection stability.</li> </ol>
V2.3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Add N32WB452CEQ6 UART download function, UART download interface PB6(TX), PB7(RX)</li> <li>2. When the clock source is HSE, the maximum baud rate can be 4.5Mbps when the crystal frequency is 16MHz and 32MHz.</li> </ol>
V2.4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fix the abnormal MCU startup problem when BOOT is started and VBAT is powered on, VDD is powered off and then powered on;</li> </ol>
V2.5	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. HSE Frequency Detection Scheme: When BOOT starts and detects that the RTC is active and LSE is used as the RTC clock source, introduce a method that does not disrupt the RTC calendar or wakeup detection configuration:</li> <li>2. Add an API interface for unlocking and erasing partitions.</li> </ol>

## 5 Version history

Version	Date	Note
V1.0	2023-02-06	Create a document
V1.1.0	2023-07-25	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Add V2.5 version description in chapter 4</li><li>2. Add chapter 3.2</li></ol>

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