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APPLICABILITY TABLE

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SL871
SL869-V2
SL868-A
SC872-A



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1. Introduction

1.1. Scope

This document describes the GNSS feature known as Extended Ephemeris (EE), with particular focus on the application support of Telit's MT3333 based GNSS modules with the context of Server-Generated Extended Ephemeris (SGEE) feature.

- SL871
- SL869-V2
- SL868-A
- SC872-A

To be specific, the SGEE feature that is found in the above family modules is supplied by Mediatek® in their Extended Prediction Orbit (EPO) data. With reference to SGEE feature in those modules, Telit SGEE-EPO is hereinafter referring to the Mediatek's EPO.

This document is intended for software engineers and developers who are interested in implementing the SGEE feature within their devices.

It is also useful for those who are interested in learning more about the Assisted GNSS capability that is found in the Telit's GNSS module families that support the features.

1.2. Contact Information, Support

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1.3. Text Conventions



Danger – This information MUST be followed or catastrophic equipment failure or bodily injury may occur.



Caution or Warning – Alerts the user to important points about integrating the module, if these points are not followed, the module and end user equipment may fail or malfunction.



Tip or Information – Provides advice and suggestions that may be useful when integrating the module.

All dates are in ISO 8601 format, i.e. YYYY-MM-DD.

1.4. Related Documents

SL871 and SL869-V2 Families.



2. Overview

This document provides Application Note on how to write software module to implement a firmware update procedure for Telit's GNSS modules that are based on Mediatek's Brom protocols.

The applicable GNSS modules include:

- SL871
- SL869-V2
- SL868-A
- SC872-A

Telit and GNSS device vendors collaborate to furnish to customers who use Telit's GNSS modules to achieve the goal of improving TTFB performance.

3. Firmware Update Procedure

3.1. Host Device and BootROM Handshake Protocol

This is a sequence of handshaking /bytes-exchange between the host device and the GNSS module.

3.2. Start Procedure

3.2.1. Command: **CMD_Start**

This is the first command sent to GNSS module to start the update procedure.

In this command the host will sequentially set its baudrate for serial communication and send the NMEA_START_CMD (\$PMTK180) at each baudrate to force the target reset. Then the host will settle at the highest or desirable baudrate (i.e. 115200) that is also supported by the GNSS module to start the update process.

The sequence is started by a number of predefined values in byte-exchange manner with the GNSS module, to ensure that the communication is established and the update mode is set at the GNSS module.



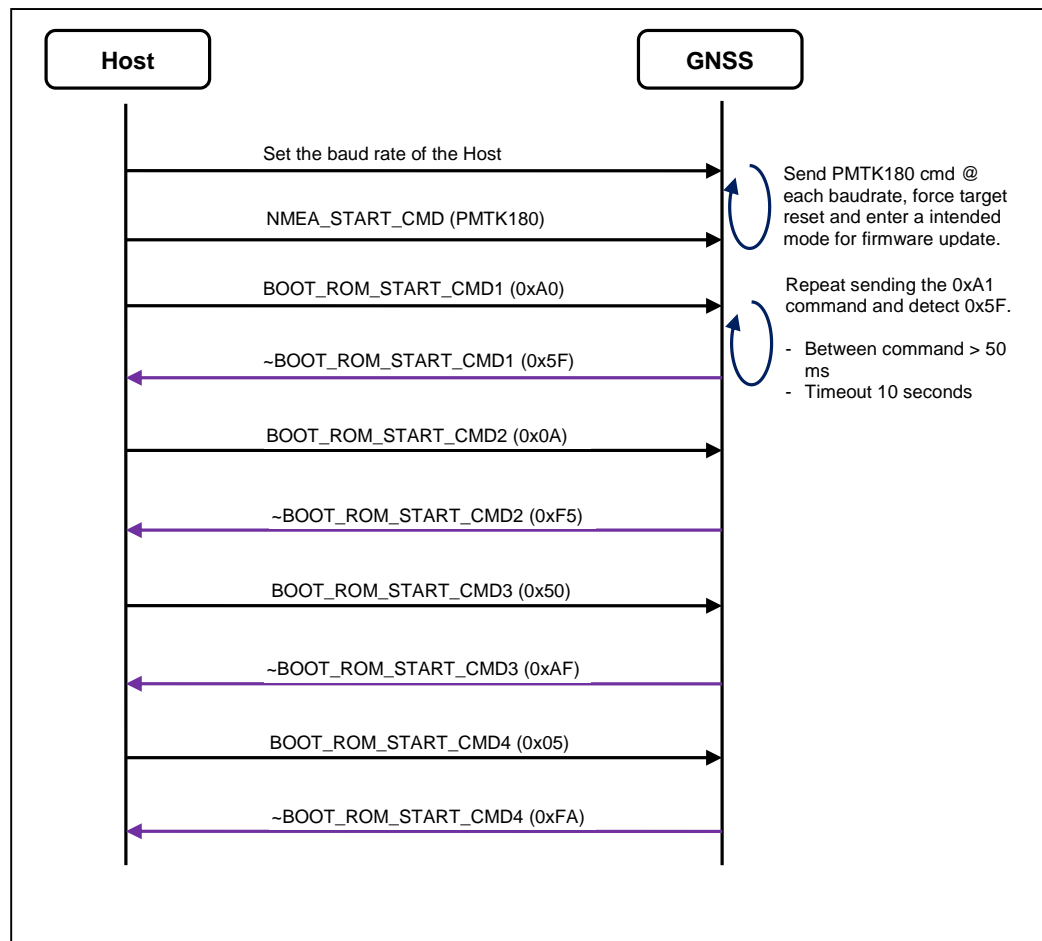


Figure 1: Start procedure - flow of CMD_Start

- Set the baud rate:
- Setting the baudrate is to set the baudrate at the host, to enable sending the NMEA_START_CMD to the GNSS module.
- Among the baud rates for serial port communication (nominal from 4800 and up), the baudrate 115200 is the recommended value.
- BOOT_ROM_START_CMD1 (0xA0):
- This command needs to be sent repeatedly, if the expected ~BOOT_ROM_START_CMD1 (0x5F) is not received by the host.
- The nominal interval between each resend of the command is 50ms.



3.2.2. Command: CMD_Write

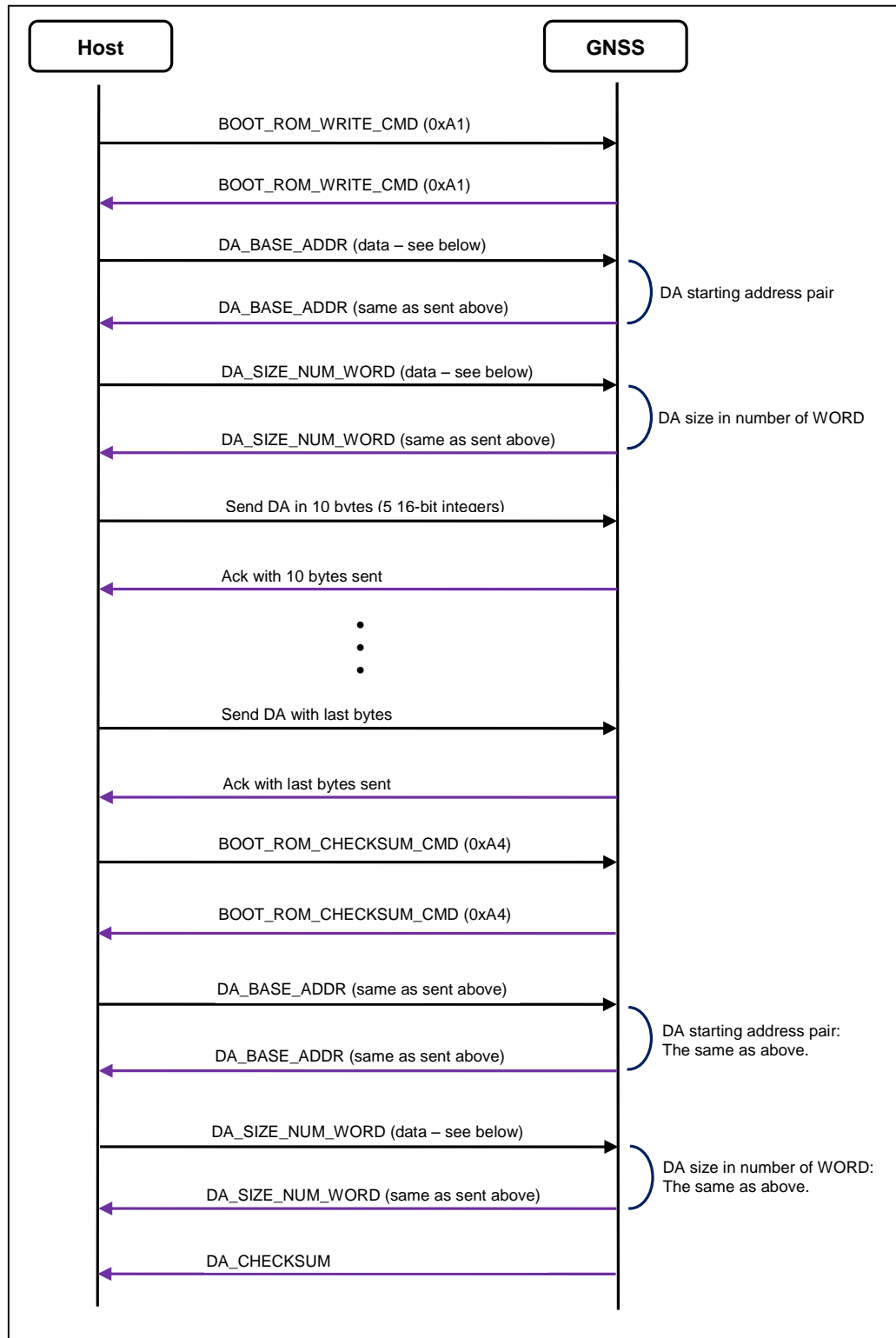


Figure 2: Start procedure - flow of CMD_Write



Data arguments:

- DA_BASE_ADDR

For modules that is MT3329 or later, MT3333 included, the DA starting address is 3072 (0x0000 0C00):

DA_BASE_ADDR (0x00 0x00 0x0C 0x00)

- DA_SIZE_NUM_WORD

The DA size in WORDs = 5946 (0x0000 173A) (bytes = 23784)

DA_SIZE_NUM_WORD (0x00 0x00 0x17 0x3A)

- DA data format
- The DA data is sent in packets of 5 16-bit unsigned integers. That means if it happens that the size of the DA data in bytes is not an even number – there will be a solo byte to be sent at the end of the DA file - the downloading code has to form a 2-byte value with padding a 0x00 value as the high byte, to satisfy the protocol requirement.
- It is not required, however, the data must be sent in 5 such integers as specified above. The protocol allows that the remaining integers (the number of integers can be < 5) are sent at the end of the DA file.
- DA_CHECKSUM
- A simple exclusive-OR algorithm is applied all bytes of a DA data file that are sent to the module to get the 16-bit checksum values generated. Based on this requirement, pertaining the flow chart above, this checksum does not apply to the DA_BASE_ADDR command and the DA_SIZE_NUM_WORD command.



3.3. Download Download Agent (DA)

3.3.1. Command: CMD_Jump

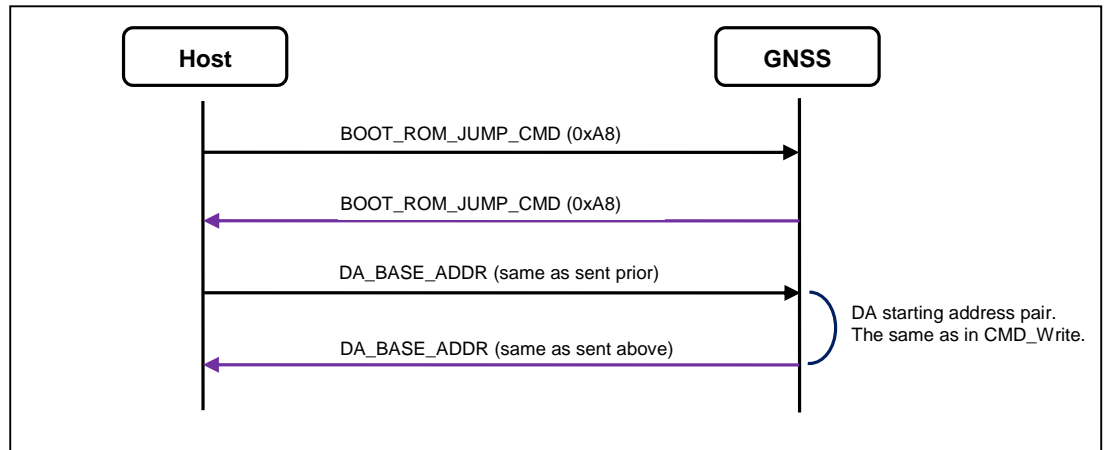


Figure 3: Download DA - flow CMD_Jump

3.3.2. DA Information Report

When DA was downloaded and executed, it will first report 20 bytes data with the following information:

- (1) SYNC_CHAR (one byte)
- (2) DA_VERSION (two bytes)
- (3) FLASH_DEVICE_ID (one byte)
- (4) FLASH_SIZE (four bytes)
- (5) FLASH_HW_ID (eight bytes)
- (6) EXT_SRAM_SIZE (four bytes).

- SYNC_CHAR:

When DA was executed, it will return SYNC_CHAR (0xC0). If the return byte isn't SYNC_CHAR, which means it's possibly downloading a wrong DA.

- DA_VERSION:

After SYNC_CHAR, DA will return DA's version number to BROM DLL, it contains two bytes, one is major version, and the other is minor version. BROM DLL will check whether if it supports this DA.



- FLASH_DEVICE_ID:

After report the DA version, DA will automatically detect the flash type on target. If DA supports this flash, then the flash device id will return to BROM DLL. If DA doesn't support this flash, it will return 0xFF to indicate unknown flash type.

- FLASH_SIZE:

Four bytes flash size, for example: 128Mbits (16Mbytes) flash will be 0x01000000 bytes; DA will send 0x01, 0x00, 0x00, and 0x00.

- FLASH_MANUFACTURE_CODE:

Two bytes flash manufacture code. (Users should refer to the datasheet for each flash.)

- FLASH_DEVICE_CODE:

Two bytes flash device code. (Users should refer to the datasheet for each flash.)

- FLASH_EXT_DEVICE_CODE1:

Two bytes flash extended device code1. (Users should refer to the datasheet for each flash.)

- FLASH_EXT_DEVICE_CODE2:

Two bytes flash extended device code2. (Users should refer to the datasheet for each flash.)

- EXT_SRAM_SIZE:

Four bytes external SRAM size, for example: 64Mbits (8Mbytes) external SRAM will be 0x00800000 bytes; DA will send 0x00, 0x80, 0x00, and 0x00.

3.3.3. Command: CMD_SetMemBlock

This command is used to notify DA the total memory block count and the range for each block. The memory block information indicates how many BIN files will be downloaded and the range of each BIN file.

If any memory block exceed the flash size, DA will return NACK (0xA5) immediately to indicate the DA_MEM_CMD command is fail.

If all the download memory blocks are valid, DA will return ACK (0x5A) and UNCHANGED_BLOCK_COUNT to notify PC side how many unchanged block should be recovery after downloading.



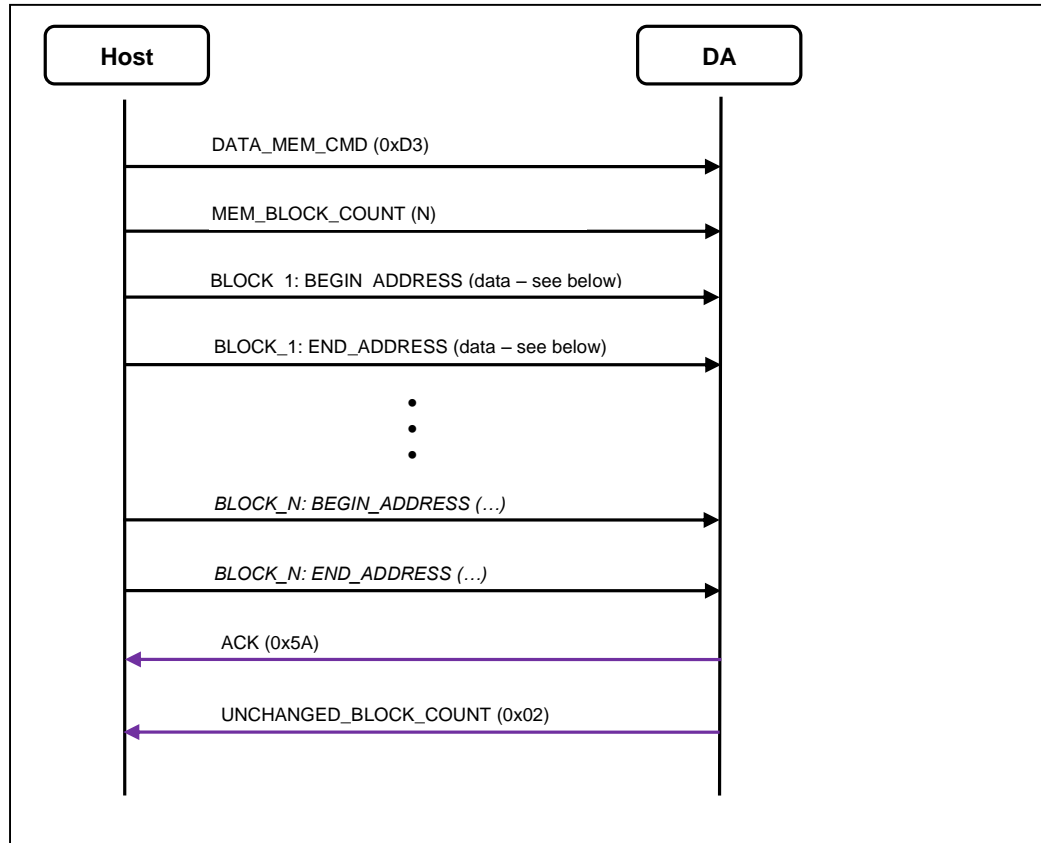


Figure 4: Flow of CMD_SetMemBlock

Data arguments:

- MEM_BLOCK_COUNT (N):
- The number of ROM files to be download and the same number of the memory blocks to be allocated by the module. Where the number of the ROM file is 1, then N = 1.
- BLOCK_1: BEGIN_ADDRESS:
- The starting address for the ROM file in memory, for the block 1.
- BLOCK_1: END_ADDRESS:
- The end address for the ROM file in memory, for the block 1.
- According to the protocol requirements, the ROM file is sent in packets with the fixed length of 256 bytes (plus additional checksum of 2 bytes). When there is not enough bytes of data to be sent, such as the last packet at the end of the file (the remaining bytes < 256), the downloading shall fill padding zeros for the rest of the packet.
- As a result of the requirement, the END_ADDRSS of a memory block must include the additional padding bytes in size.



- Example: If the ROM file size is 500324 bytes long, there expected a length of 156 bytes padding bytes being appended to the remaining bytes of the ROM file in the last packet.
- END_ADDRSS shall be the total size – 1.

3.4. Download BIN (ROM) File

3.4.1. Command: CMD_WriteData

This command is used to write all the data of BIN files to target side flash.

- Every packet is fixed length; that is PACKET_LENGTH plus two bytes checksum.
- If DA successfully received this packet, it will return CONT_CHAR (0x69) to notify BROM DLL continues to send the next packet.
- As stated in the section 3.3.3 Command: CMD_SetMemBlock, the last packet is usually not enough for PACKET_LENGTH, the code shall fill 0x00 as padding until reach PACKET_LENGTH.
- At the last, DA will perform checksum of all the BIN files from flash and compare with the checksum from UART. If both checksum are the same, DA will return ACK (0x5A) that means they are successfully written to flash, otherwise, return NACK (0xA5) to indicate errors.



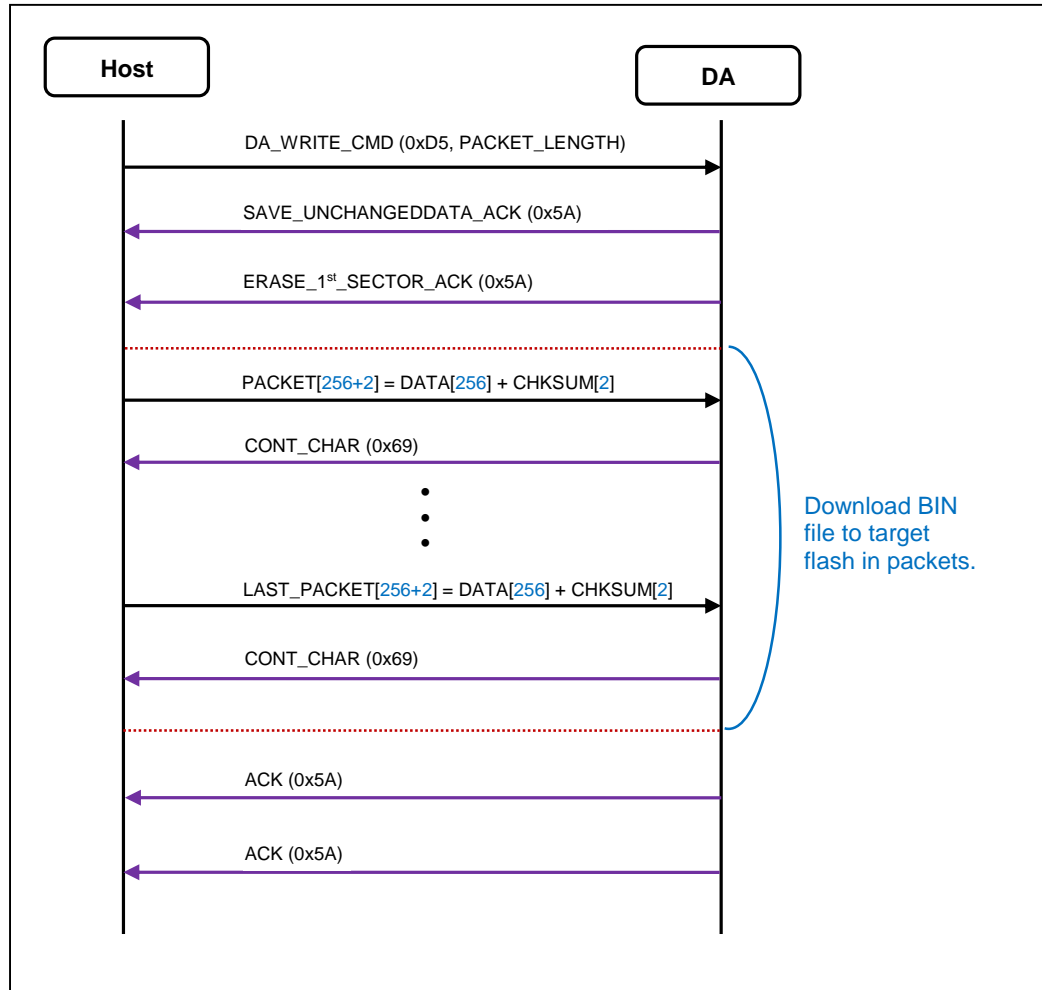


Figure 5: Download BIN file - flow of CMD_WriteData

Data:

- For PACKET_LENGTH = 256:

DA_WRITE_CMD (0xD5 0x00 0x00 0x01 0x00)



3.4.2. Command: **CMD_Finish**

This command is used to notify DA to power off target by unlock RTC power key.

The firmware update procedure is thus complete and the GNSS module will restart automatically.

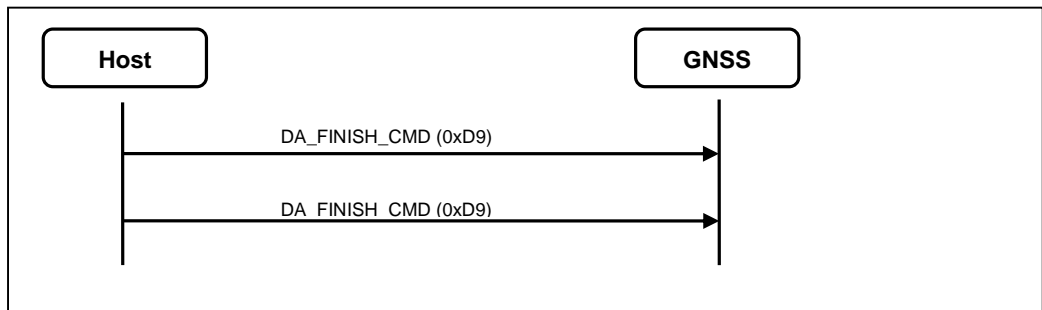


Figure 6: Download BIN file - CMD_Finish



4. Document History

Revision	Date	Changes
0	2014-12-20	Telit Jupiter MT33xx Host Flash Application Note
1	2015-03-23	Added messages that were missing in the previous edition and more details in the descriptions.
2	2015-04-02	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Added SC872-A module to the applicability table.2) Added captions to the figures as well as the contents to the Contents of Figure.3) Some font type changes for consistency