

MAX78000 Secure Bootloader

In-Application Programming

with Python® User Guide

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Abstract

This user guide details how update the end-user software application in the MAX78000 through the in-application programming, plus how to program the host code into the MAX32630FTHR board. Details on the MAX78000 secure bootloader can be found in the [MAX78000 Secure Bootloader User Guide](https://www.maximintegrated.com/en/design/technical-documents/userguides-and-manuals/6/6471.html).

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Introduction

This application note provides the instructions to program example host code into the MAX32630FTHR development platform.

The document also gives details related to hardware setup and application programming by using the MAX78000 bootloader and example host code.

Note that the screenshots may differ according to the software versions, but the steps will be same.

System Requirements

To program the MAX78000 bootloader code into the MAX78000FTHR, the minimum requirements are as follows:

* Windows® PC
* Windows 10, Windows 7
* OpenSSL
* Maxim Toolchain Software (more information, including download and installation instructions, is in this document)
* MAX78000FTHR and micro-USB cable
* MAX32630FTHR and micro-USB cable
* MAX32625PICO evaluation kit (EV kit) and micro-USB cable
* Test wires to connect the MAX78000FTHR and MAX32630FTHR

Maxim Toolchain Installation

To install the Maxim Toolchain to your PC, use the following steps:

1. Download the Maxim SDK [here](https://www.maximintegrated.com/en/design/software-description.html/swpart=SFW0010820A).
2. After downloading is complete, double-click  **MaximMicrosSDK.exe** and use the default settings and select **Next** until finished.

Environment Setup

Copy the release package content to your PC under the *C:\ MAX78000\_MSBL* folder.

Programming the MAX32630FTHR

To program example host code into the MAX32630FTHR, use the following steps:

1. Connect the grey 10-pin connector to the MAX32630FTHR and the MAX32625PICO board.
2. Connect the micro-USB cable to the MAX32625PICO and the PC.
3. Connect the micro-USB cable to the MAX32630FTHR and the PC.



Figure 1. The MAX32630FTHR and MAX32625PICO board connection.

1. Wait a few minutes for the Windows driver to install, then verify that it is installed correctly.
2. In the Windows 10 search box, type **Control Panel** (or for Windows 7, click **Control Panel** on the right side of the **Start Menu**). Either click **Hardware and Sound**, then **Device Manager**, or type **Device Manager** in the search box in the upper right.
3. If the drivers have correctly installed, you should see one port listed as **mbed Serial Port** for the MAX32625PICO. Note the COM port number for the USB serial device.

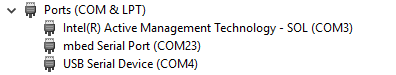


Figure 2. Serial port list.

1. If you see the following, then you will need to install the correct Windows driver:

https://confluence.maxim-ic.com/download/attachments/100767430/cdc.JPG?version=1&modificationDate=1520035665595&api=v2

Figure 3. CDC device driver warning.

1. Download the [Arm Mbed® Windows serial port driver](http://os.mbed.com/media/downloads/drivers/mbedWinSerial_16466.exe) [here](https://www.mbed.com/en/).
2. For Windows 10, run *mbedWinSerial\_16466.exe* by double-clicking it.
3. Drag and drop *max32630fthr-host-vx.x.x.bin* into the correct DAPLINK drive.
4. Press the reset button on the MAX32630FTHR, as shown in **Figure 4**.



Figure 4. MAX32630FTHR host reset button.

1. Verify that the LED on the MAX32630FTHR is blinking, as shown in **Figure 5**.

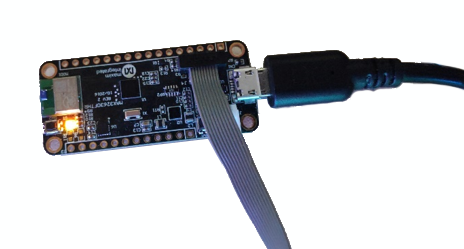


Figure 5. MAX32630FTHR host blinking LED.

Hardware Setup

Connect the MAX32630FTHR and MAX78000 with test wires according to **Table 1.** Pin connection between MAX32630FTHR and MAX78000FTHR is given in **Figure 6**.

Table 1. Pin Connection between the MAX32630FTHR and   
MAX78000FTHR

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Pin Function | MAX78000FTHR | MAX32630FTHR |
| **EBL GPIO** | P0.5 | P5.4 |
| **I2C1\_SCL** | P0.16 | P3.5 + 4.7K pullup |
| **I2C1\_SDA** | P0.17 | P3.4 + 4.7K pullup |
| **RST** | RSTN | P5.6 |
| **GND** | GND | GND |

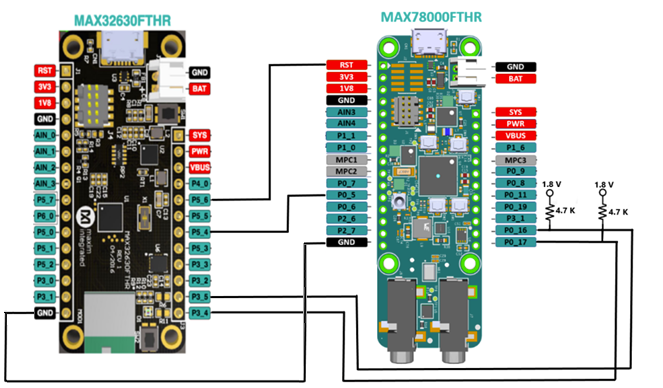


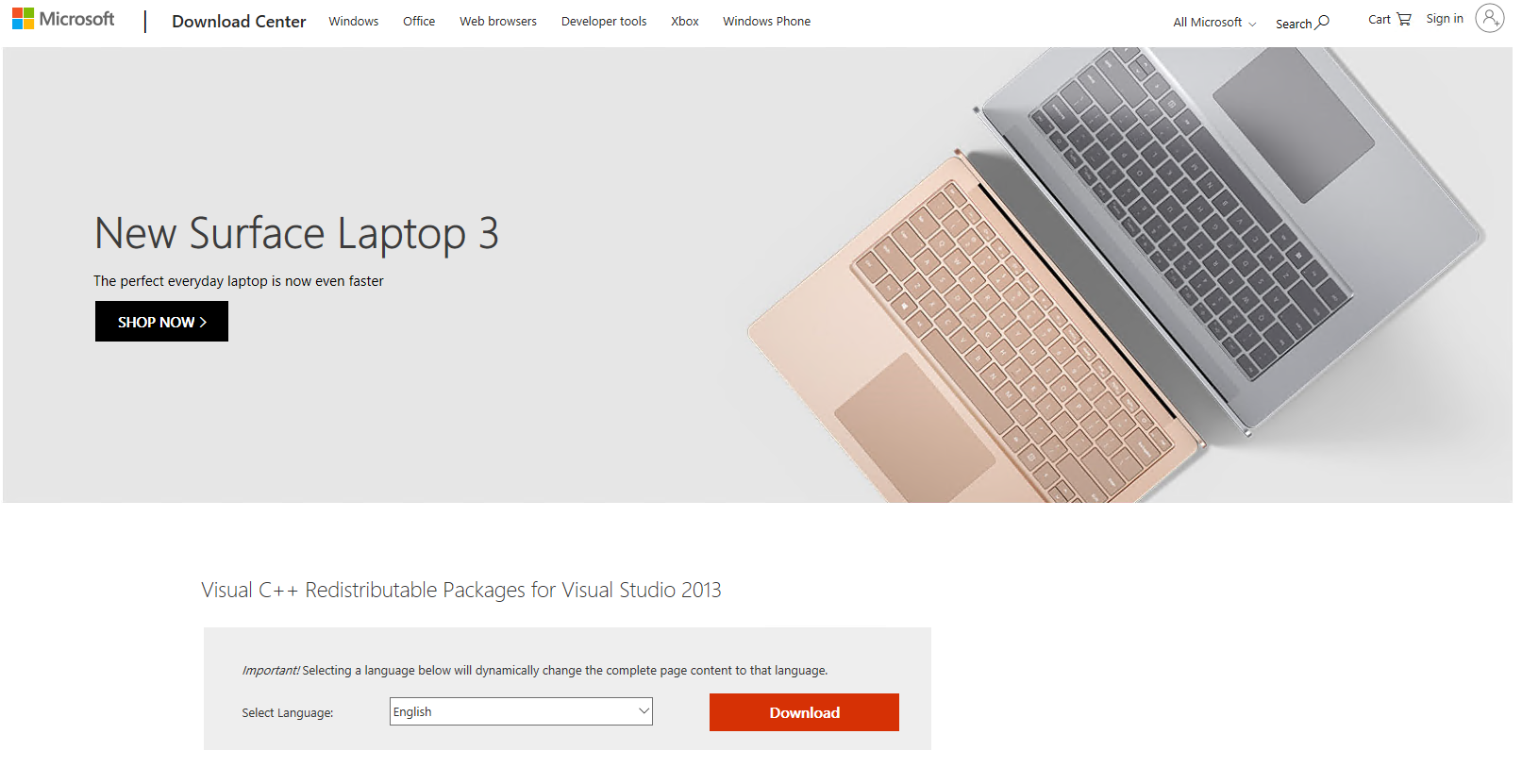
Figure 6. Pin Connection between the MAX32630FTHR and MAX78000FTHR

In-Application Programming

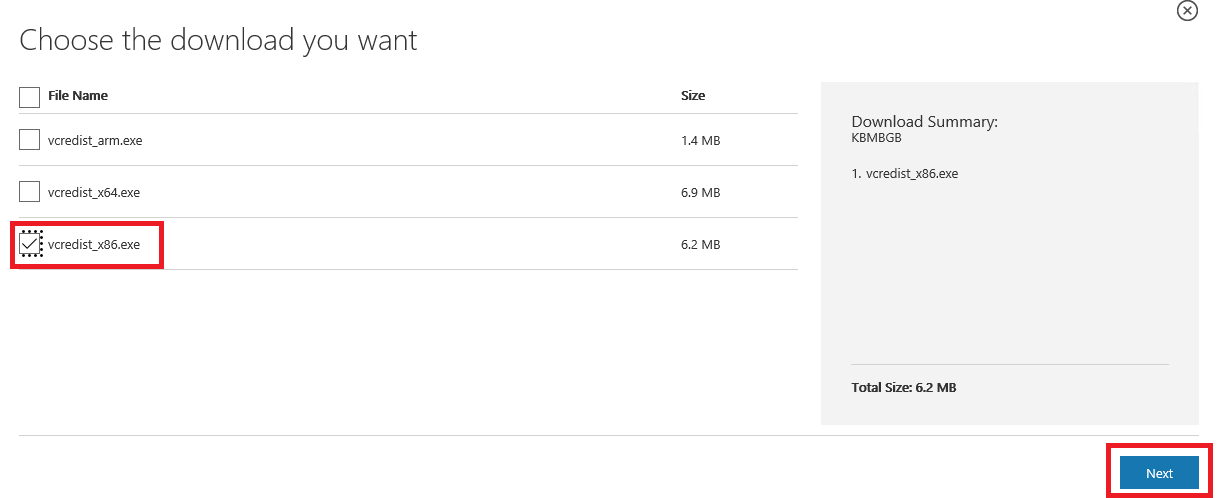
Installing Microsoft Visual C++ Runtime

To download and install Microsoft Visual C++ Runtime, use the following steps:

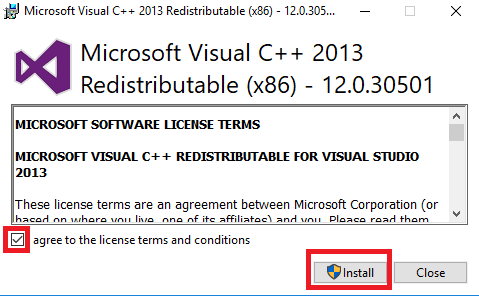
1. Visit the download link [here](https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/download/details.aspx?id=40784) and click Download button.



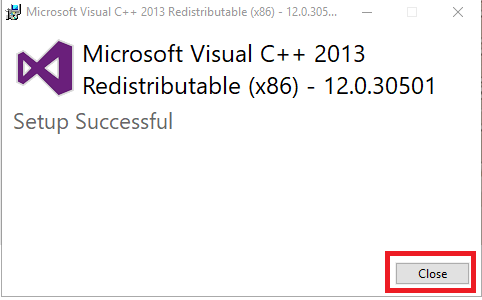
1. Select vcredist\_x86.exe and continue by selecting Next.



1. Download and run the setup file.
2. Read and click if you agree the terms. Then select Install.



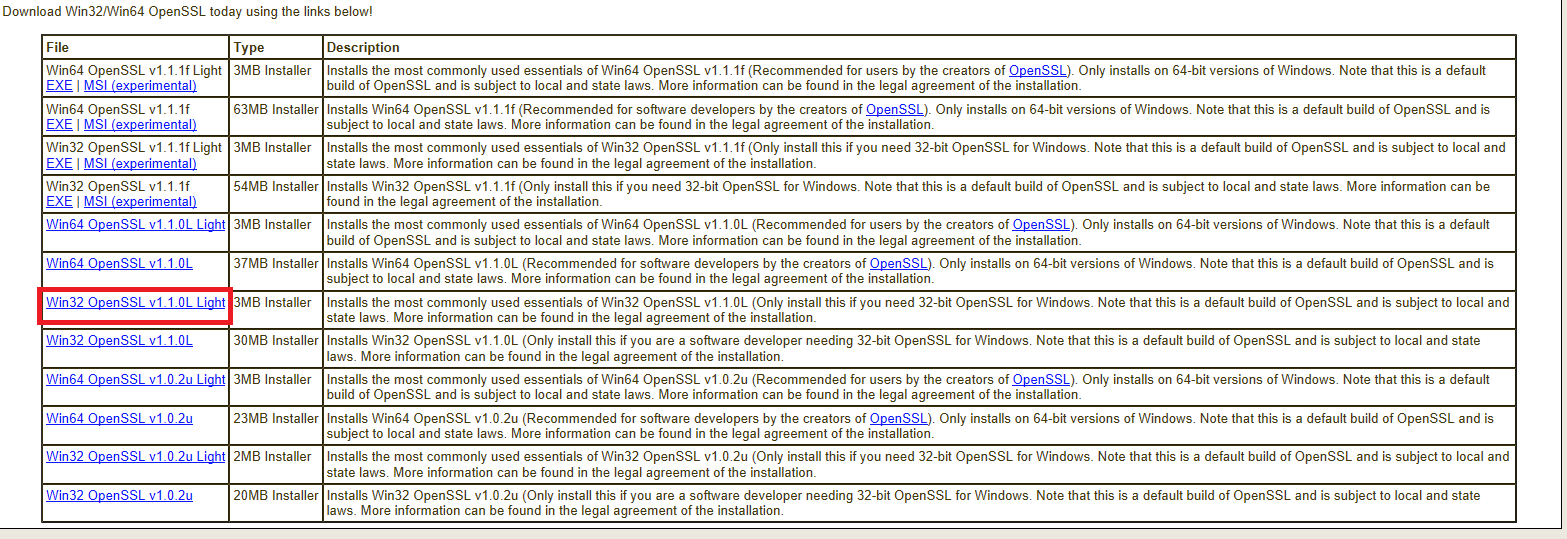
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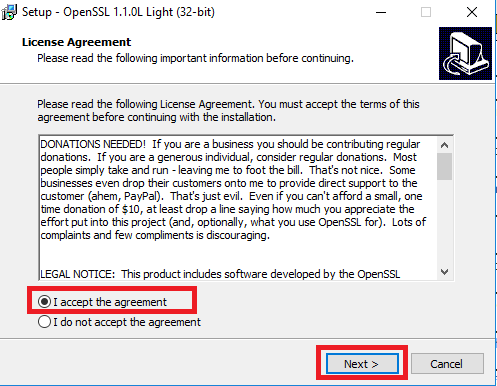
Installing OpenSSL Library

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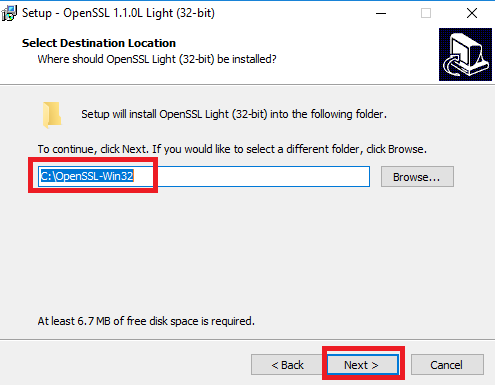
1. Visit OpenSSL downloads page [here](https://slproweb.com/products/Win32OpenSSL.html).
2. Select **Win32 OpenSSL v1.1.10L Light** package.



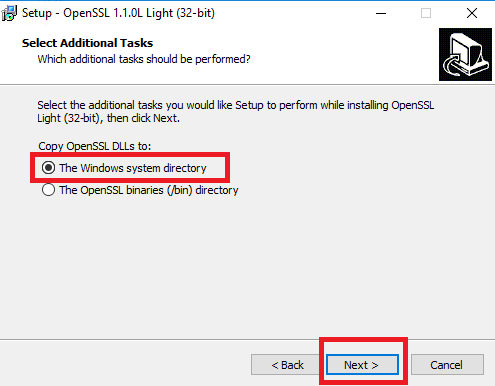
1. Download and run the installer.
2. Read and click if you agree the terms. Then select Next.



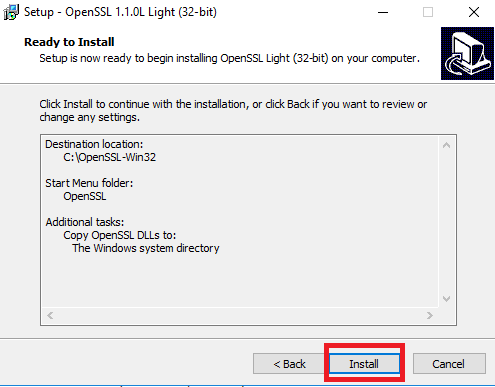
1. Leave the destination location default and click Next.



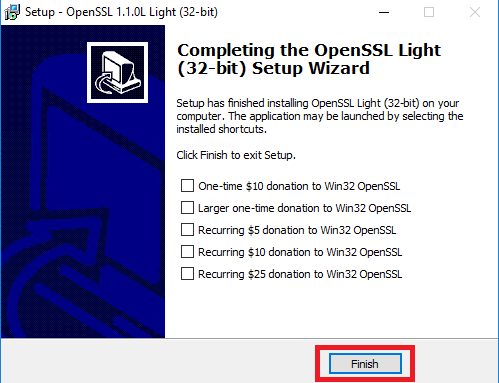
1. Leave “**The Windows system directory**” selected and click Next.



1. Click install.



1. When the installation is completed, click finish.



Compiling the Hello World Example in the Release Package with the Make Command

To compile the Hello World with the make command, use the following steps:

1. Navigate to the correct directory consisting Hello World Example in the **MinGW** window with the following command:

*cd " C:\MAX78000\_MSBL \MAX78000\_Hello\_World”*

2. Enter the following command in the **MinGW** window and wait several minutes for the command to complete:

*make*

3. After successful compiling, the Hello world binary image *max78000.bin* will be in the *“C:\MAX78000\_MSBL \MAX78000\_Hello\_World\build” directory.*

Be sure that the correct linker file is used for generating the .bin file. A sample linker file, max78000\_with\_bl.ld, can be found under the Hello\_World example folder.

4. If you want to rebuild, then enter these commands respectively:

*make clean*

*make*

Generating AES Keys

Generated AES keys can be used for encrypting bin files during msbl file generation and loading to bootloader. Customer can use their own method for generating keys, but file format should be similar to the sample max78000\_sample\_key.txt file.

1. Navigate to the correct directory consisting key generation script in the **MinGW** window with the following command:

*cd "C:\MAX78000\_MSBL”*

2. Enter the following command in the **MinGW** window to generate a key:

*./generate\_key\_vX.sh*

3. Rename generated key.txt as *max78000\_key.txt* file for using msbl file generation or bootloader key programming.

Generating Bootloader Compatible Binary Using Maxim SDK Project

Following steps should be applied for generating bootloader compatible binary using Maxim SDK project:

1. Update your linker file:
   1. Copy max78000\_with\_bl.ld file which is located under *MAX78000\_MSBL \MAX78000\_Hello\_World* to your Maxim SDK project.
2. Update the makefile
   1. Set the linker file variable (LINKERFILE) in makefile as below:
      1. Remove following lines from makefile:

# Point this variable to a linker file to override the default file

**LINKERFILE**=$(CMSIS\_ROOT)/Device/Maxim/$(TARGET\_UC)/Source/GCC/$(LINKER)

* + 1. Add following lines to makefile:

# Point this variable to a linker file to override the default file

**LINKERFILE**=$(TARGET\_LC)\_with\_bl.ld

* 1. Add following lines to makefile under all target for generating the necessary bin file:

all:

arm-none-eabi-objcopy $(BUILD\_DIR)/$(PROJECT).elf -O binary $(BUILD\_DIR)/$(PROJECT).bin

1. Build the project.
2. .bin file is generated under build folder.

Converting the .bin File to the .msbl File Format

The .msbl file is generated automatically by using a .msbl generator.

1. Navigate to the directory consisting msbl generator and the .bin file to be converted in the **MinGW** window.

2. Enter the following command in the **MinGW** window window to convert the .bin (max78000.bin as an example) application to a .msbl file:

*./msblGenWin32.exe max78000.bin MAX78000 8192 max78000\_key.txt*

3. “*max78000.msbl” file will be generated*

Programming Keys to the Bootloader

To program the keys to the MAX78000 by using the MAX78000 bootloader, use the following steps:

At the command prompt or in the PowerShell window, enter the following commands, replacing COMxx with the correct USB serial device COM port found in section Programming the MAX32630FTHR at step 4.b.

*download\_fw\_over\_host.exe -k max78000\_key.txt -p COMXX*

Note that the shared keys are sample one and they should be updated accordingly before programming keys.

MSBL File Programming

To flash the application to the MAX78000 by using the MAX78000 bootloader, use the following steps:

At the command prompt or in the PowerShell window, enter the following commands, replacing COMxx with the correct USB serial device COM port found in section Programming the MAX32630FTHR at step 4.b.

*download\_fw\_over\_host.exe -f MAX78000\_Hello\_World.msbl -p COMXX*

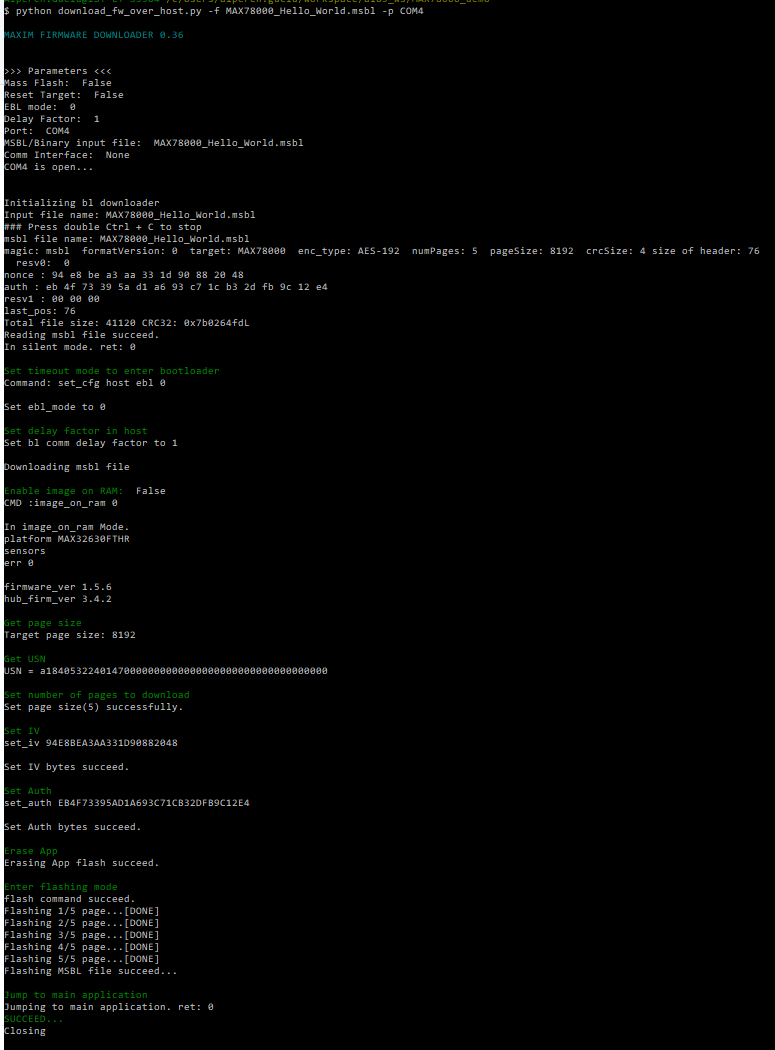


Figure 7. Downloading firmware with the download\_fw\_over\_host.exe

1. The application has now been flashed to the chip. For advanced usage of flasher script, refer to the *Firmware\_downloader\_usage.txt* file.

Locking the SWD Interface

To lock the SWD Interface, use the following steps:

1. At file max78000\_bl\_config.cfg: Change the swd\_lock value to 1 and save the file.

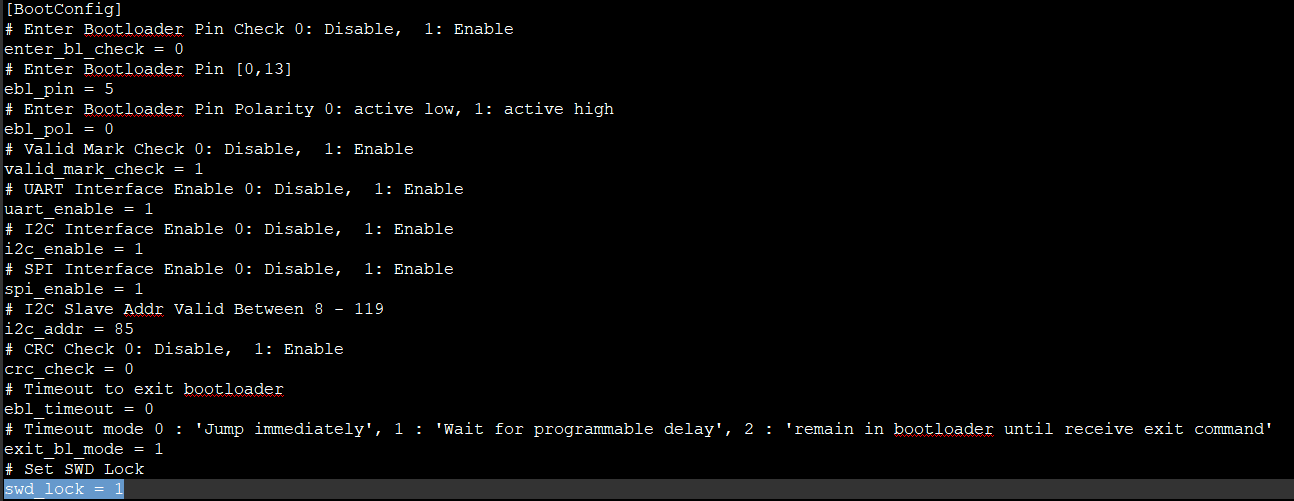


Figure 8. Bootloader Configuration File.

1. Run following command:

*configure\_bootloader.exe -f max78000\_bl\_config.cfg -p COMXX*

1. Disconnect the micro-USB cable.
2. Reconnect the micro-USB cable. SWD is locked now.

Unlocking the SWD Interface

To unlock the SWD Interface, use the following steps:

* 1. At file max78000\_bl\_config.cfg: Change the swd\_lock value to 0 and save the file.
  2. Run the following command:

*./configure\_bootloader.exe -f max78000\_bl\_config.cfg -p COMXX*

* 1. Disconnect the micro-USB cable.
  2. Reconnect the micro-USB cable Now key and application are erased, SWD is unlocked, so a new key can be loaded.

Note that SWD can be locked and unlocked up to 4 times.

Revision History

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