

# U-boot Automatic Upgrade

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# **About This Document**

# **Purpose**

This document analyzes the automatic upgrade requirements for the SD card and USB flash drive under the U-boot and application scenarios and provides upgrade principles. This document also describes the upgrade design methodology and implementation to provide guidance for function development.

#### M NOTE

Unless otherwise specified, this document applies to the Hi3516A and Hi3516D. Unless otherwise specified, this document applies to the Hi3521A and Hi3520D V300. Unless otherwise specified, this document applies to the Hi3518E V200, Hi3518E V201, and Hi3516C V200.

# Related VersionsThe following table lists the product versions related to this document.

<b>Product Name</b>	Version	Remarks
Hi3516C	V100	None
Hi3518	V100	The Hi3518 indicates the Hi3518A or Hi3518C.
Hi3518E	V200	The Hi3518E indicates the Hi3518E V200, Hi3518E V201 or Hi3516C V200.
Hi3520A	V100	None
Hi3521	V100	None
Hi3531	V100	None
Hi3531A	V100	The Hi3531A does not support the image upgrade through the SD card.
Hi3520D	V100	The Hi3520D does not support the image upgrade through the SD card.
Hi3515A	V100	The Hi3515A does not support the image upgrade through the SD card.
Hi3535	V100	The Hi3535 does not support the image upgrade through the SD card.
Hi3516A	V100	None



<b>Product Name</b>	Version	Remarks
Hi3516D	V100	None
Hi3536	V100	The Hi3536 does not support the image upgrade through the SD card.
Hi3521A	V100	The Hi3521A does not support the image upgrade through the SD card.
Hi3520D	V300	The Hi3520D V300 does not support the image upgrade through the SD card.
Hi3519	V100	-
Hi3519	V101	-
Hi3516C	V300	-

# **Intended Audience**

This document is intended for:

- Technical support personnel
- Software development engineers

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The symbols that may be found in this document are defined as follows.

Symbol	Description
<b>DANGER</b>	Alerts you to a high risk hazard that could, if not avoided, result in serious injury or death.
<b>MARNING</b>	Alerts you to a medium or low risk hazard that could, if not avoided, result in moderate or minor injury.
A CAUTION	Alerts you to a potentially hazardous situation that could, if not avoided, result in equipment damage, data loss, performance deterioration, or unanticipated results.
©—¹ TIP	Provides a tip that may help you solve a problem or save time.
NOTE	Provides additional information to emphasize or supplement important points in the main text.



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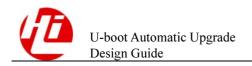
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# 1 Design Analysis

# 1.1 Requirement Analysis

The previous upgrade solutions only allow you to upgrade images by using upper-layer applications, which brings inconveniences due to low reliability and flexibility. Currently, a more reliable and flexible solution is provided to facilitate the upgrade.

You can obtain images from HiSilicon, and then securely and rapidly upgrade the U-boot, kernel, or rootfs by using an SD card or USB flash drive. The upgrade steps include (taking the USB flash drive as an example):

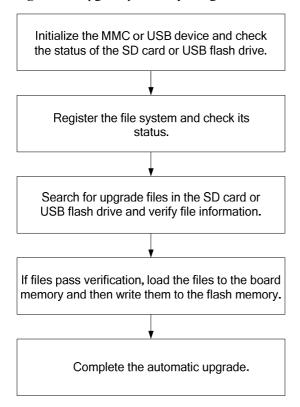
- **Step 1** Copying images to a USB flash drive.
- **Step 2** Connecting the USB flash drive to the board.
- **Step 3** Restarting the board.
- **Step 4** Waiting until the images are upgraded.

----End

# 1.2 Upgrade Process

Figure 1-1 shows the upgrade process by using an SD card or USB flash drive.

Figure 1-1 Upgrade process by using an SD card or USB flash drive



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When an SD card and USB flash drive are inserted, if there is no valid upgrade package in the SD card, the system automatically upgrades images by using the USB flash drive; if there is a valid upgrade package in the SD card, the system upgrades images by using the upgrade package without scanning the USB flash drive. For details, see section 3.1.2.2 "Implementation of Internal Functions."

# 2 Implementation

#### M NOTE

- This section uses the Hi3536 as an example. This section uses the Hi3536 as an example; however, the SD card upgrade is described by taking the Hi3516A as an example. The actual code path varies according to the chip model.
- The Hi3520D, Hi3515A, Hi3536, Hi3521A, Hi3520D V300 and Hi3535 support the image upgrade only through the USB flash drive.

#### 2.1 Overview

## 2.1.1 Compilation Switches

The compilation switches for automatic upgrade are in the chip compilation file. You can enable the corresponding macro definition switches as required.

• Configuration file path

include/configs/hi3516c.h
include/configs/hi3518a.h
[Hi3518A]
[Hi3518A]

- include/configs/hi3518c.h [Hi3518C]

include/configs/hi3518ev200.h [Hi3518E V200]

include/configs/hi3518ev201.h [Hi3518E V201]

- include/configs/hi3516cv200.h [Hi3516C V200]

include/configs/ hi3520d.h[Hi3520D/Hi3515A]

include/configs/ godare.h
 include/configs/ godarm.h
 include/configs/ godnet.h
 include/configs/ hi3535.h
 [Hi3520A]
 [Hi3521]
 [Hi3531]
 [Hi3535]

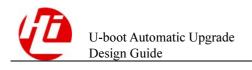
- include/configs/hi3516a.h and include/configs/hi3516a spinand.h [Hi3516A]

- include/configs/ hi3536.h and include/configs/hi3536 spinand.h [Hi336]

include/configs/ hi3521a.hinclude/configs/ hi3531a.h[Hi3521A]

- include/configs/hi3519.h and include/configs/hi3519 nand.h [Hi3519 V100]

include/configs/hi3519v101.h and include/configs/hi3519v101\_nand.h [Hi3519 V101]



- include/configs/hi3516cv300.h [Hi3516C V300]

```
The following describes switch functions by using the Hi3516A as an example.
/*-----
* sdcard/usb storage system update
#define CONFIG AUTO UPDATE
                                       //Main switch for
                                   1
controlling the upgrade
#ifdef CONFIG AUTO UPDATE
     #define CONFIG AUTO SD UPDATE 1 //Switch for
controlling the upgrade images by using an SD card
     #define CONFIG AUTO USB UPDATE 1 //Switch for
controlling the upgrade by using a USB flash drive
#endif
//The following four rows indicate the switches for controlling the compilation of FAT
file system, which apply to the upgrade by using the SD card and USB flash drive:
#define LITTLE ENDIAN
#define CONFIG DOS PARTITION
                                   1
#define CONFIG CMD FAT
                                   1
/*-----
* sdcard
* -----*/
#ifdef CONFIG AUTO SD UPDATE
                                 // Switch for controlling
the compilation of the SD card driver, which is controlled by the main
switch
     #define CONFIG HIMCI HI3516a
     #define REG BASE MCI
                                   0x206e0000
     #define CONFIG HIMCI V100
     #define CONFIG GENERIC MMC
     #define CONFIG MMC
     #define CONFIG CMD MMC
#endif
/*-----
* usb
//The USB driver is enabled by default. CONFIG_AUTO_USB_UPDATE controls
the upgrade by using a USB flash drive.
#define CONFIG USB OHCI
                                   1
#define CONFIG CMD USB
                                   1
#define CONFIG USB STORAGE
```



The preceding macro definitions include:

- Main switch for controlling the upgrade by using an SD card or USB flash drive
- SD card driver
- USB open host controller interface (OHCI) driver

Commenting out or enabling the **CONFIG\_AUTO\_UPDATE** macro definition determines whether to support the automatic upgrade function.

When **CONFIG\_AUTO\_UPDATE** is enabled, commenting out or retaining the following two definitions determines whether to support the upgrade by using an SD card or USB flash drive:

```
#define CONFIG_AUTO_SD_UPDATE 1
#define CONFIG AUTO USB UPDATE 1
```

The upgrades by using an SD card and USB flash drive are supported by default. For details about the upgrade policy when an SD card and USB flash drive are simultaneously inserted, see section 3.1 "Design Details About the Automatic Upgrade Solution."

#### 2.1.2 Module Structure

The following describes the code paths of submodules of the module to be upgraded by using the Hi3536 as an example. the SD card upgrade is described by taking the Hi3516A as an example.

For other chips, modify the related code.

The contents in black indicate the files to be modified, and the contents in red indicate the files to be added.

```
----Compilation
Makefile
----Configuration
board/hi3536/board.c
                           [Program entry]
include/configs/hi3536.h or include/configs/hi3536 spinand.h [Compilation
switchl
----SD driver
drivers/mmc/himciv100 3516a.c
drivers/mmc/himciv100.c
drivers/mmc/himciv100.h
drivers/mmc/mmc.c
----USB driver
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3536.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-ohci.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-ohci.h
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-xhci-3536.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/xhci.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/xhci.h
```



```
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/xhci-mem.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/xhci-ring.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/Makefile
----Upgrade main control process
product/hiupdate/Makefile
product/hiupdate/auto_update.c
product/hiupdate/mmc_init.c
product/hiupdate/usb init.c
```

# 2.2 Implementation Details

### 2.2.1 Supporting FAT File Systems

To support FAT file systems, add a compilation switch (for details, see the following contents in red) to the chip configuration file:

# 2.2.2 Porting the MMC Driver

## 2.2.2.1 Compilation Switch

To add a compilation switch for the MMC driver in the chip configuration file, modify the codes as follows:



#endif



The MMC driver compilation switch **CONFIG\_AUTO\_SD\_UPDATE** is controlled by the upgrade main switch **CONFIG\_AUTO\_UPDATE**.

#### 2.2.2.2 Porting the Code

The contents in black indicate the files to be modified, and the contents in red indicate the files to be added.

```
The following are the code paths for the Hi3516A MMC driver: drivers/mmc/himciv100.c drivers/mmc/himciv100.h drivers/mmc/mmc.c drivers/mmc/himciv100 3516a.c
```

#### The following are the code paths for the MMC drivers of other chips:

```
drivers/mmc/himciv100 3518.c
                                   [Hi3518A and Hi3518E]
drivers/mmc/himciv100 godnet.c
                                   [Hi3531]
drivers/mmc/himciv100 godarm.c
                                   [Hi3521]
drivers/mmc/himciv200.c
drivers/mmc/himciv200.h
drivers/mmc/himciv200 hi3518ev200.c
                                      [Hi3518E V200]
drivers/mmc/himciv200 hi3518ev201.c
                                      [Hi3518E V201]
drivers/mmc/himciv200 hi3516cv200.c
                                       [Hi3516C V200]
drivers/mmc/himciv200 hi3519.c
                                      [Hi3519 V100]
drivers/mmc/himciv200 hi3519v101.c
                                      [Hi3519 V101]
drivers/mmc/himciv200 hi3516cv300.c
                                       [Hi3516C V300]
```

#### Щ NOTE

Because the Hi3520D, Hi3515A, Hi3536, Hi3535 and Hi3531A do not support the SD card, they do not support the upgrade by using the SD card.

# 2.2.3 Enabling the USB OHCI

### 2.2.3.1 Compilation Switch

To add a compilation switch for the USB OHCI driver in the chip configuration file, modify the codes as follows:



#### **Ⅲ** NOTE

The USB OHCI driver is not controlled by the upgrade main switch **CONFIG\_AUTO\_UPDATE**, because the driver is compiled into the U-boot by default.

#### 2.2.3.2 Porting the Code

The content in red indicates the file to be added.

The following are the code paths for the Hi3536 USB OHCI and USB XHCI driver:

```
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/Makefile
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-ohci.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-ohci.h
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3536.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-xhci-3536.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/xhci.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/xhci.h
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/xhci-mem.c
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/xhci-ring.c
```

#### The following are the code paths for the USB OHCI drivers of other chips:

```
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3520d.c
                                            [Hi3520A, Hi3520D, and Hi3515A]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-godarm.c
                                            [Hi3521]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-godnet.c
                                            [Hi3531]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3518.c
                                            [Hi3518A and Hi3518C]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3535.c
                                            [Hi3535]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3516a.c
                                            [Hi3536]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3521a.c
                                            [Hi3521A]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3518ev200.c
                                            [Hi3518E V200]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3518ev201.c
                                            [Hi3518E V201]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3516cv200.c
                                            [Hi3516C V200]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3531a.c
                                            [Hi3531A]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3519.c
                                            [Hi3519 V100, Hi3519 V101]
drivers/usb/host/hiusb/hiusb-3516cv300.c
                                            [Hi3516C V300]
```

# 2.2.4 Verifying the Ported MMC Driver by Manually Upgrading Images

After the operations described in sections 2.2.1 and 2.2.2 are complete, the U-boot generated during compilation supports the **mmcinfo** and **mmc** commands for operating the SD card. After the operations described in sections 2.2.1 and 2.2.3 are complete, you can upgrade the U-boot image by using a USB flash drive to verify the ported USB OHCI driver.

## 2.2.4.1 Manually Upgrading the Kernel Image by Using an SD Card

This section uses the kernel upgrade as an example to describe how to upgrade images by using an SD card. To upgrade other images such as the image of the U-boot or rootfs, download corresponding upgrade packages to the memory and then burn the packages to the flash memory. To upgrade the kernel by using an SD card, perform the following steps:



- **Step 1** Burn the U-boot with the ported MMC driver or start the U-boot from the board memory.
- **Step 2** Insert the SD card that is formatted in FAT32 format and stores upgrade image. For details about how to create upgrade packages, see the *U-boot Automatic Upgrade and Porting User Guide*.
- **Step 3** Enter the **mmcinfo** command under the U-boot to obtain SD card information and initialize the SD card.
- **Step 4** Enter **fatls mmc 0** to view the upgrade image in the first partition of the SD card.
- **Step 5** Enter **fatload mmc 0 0x82000000 kernel** to download the kernel image to 0x82000000 of the board memory.
- Step 6 Run sf probe 0;sf erase 100000 400000;sf write 0x82000000 100000 400000; to burn the kernel image to a position in the SPI flash or run bootm 0x82000000 to start the kernel image.

#### M NOTE

The burning position is user-defined. The U-boot or rootfs image is burnt in a similar way.

- **Step 7** Set and save environment variables based on the burning position.
- **Step 8** Start the system and view the compilation time displayed when the kernel starts to check whether the kernel image is successfully upgraded.

For other images to be upgraded, view the related compilation time displayed when the images start.

----End

#### 2.2.4.2 Detailed Operations

The following describes detailed operations (the contents in red indicate the commands that need to be executed under the U-boot):

- Start the U-boot with the ported MMC driver.
- Insert the SD card in FAT format that stores upgrade packages.
- Enter **mmcinfo**.

If the MMC driver is successfully ported, the information similar to the following is displayed:

```
Device: HIMCI_V100
Manufacturer ID: 3
OEM: 5344
Name: SD01G
Tran Speed: 25000000
Rd Block Len: 512
SD version 2.0
High Capacity: No
Capacity: 1015808000
Bus Width: 4-bit
```

hisilicon # mmcinfo

• Enter **fatls mmc 0** to view the upgrade images in the SD card.



```
hisilicon # fatls mmc 0
2902412 kernel
220236 u-boot
3949568 rootfs
```

• Enter **fatload mmc 0 0x82000000 kernel** to download the kernel image to the memory.

```
hisilicon # fatload mmc 0 0x82000000 kernel reading kernel 2902412 bytes read
```

• Enter **bootm 0x82000000** to start the new kernel from the memory.

```
hisilicon # bootm 0x82000000

## Booting kernel from Legacy Image at 82000000 ...

Image Name: Linux-3.4.35

Image Type: ARM Linux Kernel Image (uncompressed)

Data Size: 2902348 Bytes = 2.8 MiB

Load Address: 80008000

Entry Point: 80008000

Loading Kernel Image ... OK

OK

Starting kernel ...
```

If the content similar to the preceding information is displayed, correct data is read from the SD card, and the MMC driver is successfully ported.

# 2.2.5 Manually Upgrading and Checking the Ported USB OHCI Driver

# 2.2.5.1 Manually Upgrading the Kernel Image by Using a USB Flash Drive (Taking the Hi3536 as an Example)

To upgrade the kernel by using a USB flash driver, perform the following steps:

- **Step 1** Burn the U-boot with the ported USB OHCI driver or start the U-boot from the board memory.
- **Step 2** Insert the USB flash drive that is formatted in FAT32 format and store upgrade image. For details about how to create upgrade packages, see the *U-boot Automatic Upgrade and Porting User Guide*.
- **Step 3** Enter **usb start** to initialize the USB flash drive.
- **Step 4** Enter **fatls usb 0** to view the upgrade images in the USB flash drive.
- **Step 5** Enter **fatload mmc 0 0x42000000 kernel** to download the kernel image to the memory.
- Step 6 Run sf probe 0;sf erase 100000 600000;sf write 0x42000000 100000 600000; to burn the kernel image to a position in the SPI flash or run bootm 0x42000000 to start the kernel image.



The burning position is user-defined. The U-boot or rootfs image is burnt in a similar way.



- **Step 7** Set and save environment variables based on the burning position.
- **Step 8** Start the system and view the compilation time displayed when the kernel starts to check whether the kernel image is successfully upgraded.

For other images to be upgraded, view the related compilation time displayed when the images start.

----End

#### 2.2.5.2 Detailed Operations (Taking the Hi3536 as an Example)

The following describes detailed operations (the contents in red indicate the commands that need to be executed under the U-boot):

- Start the U-boot with the ported USB OHCI driver.
- Insert the USB flash drive in FAT format that stores upgrade packages.
- Enter **USB** start.

If the USB OHCI driver is successfully ported, the information similar to the following is displayed:

```
hisilicon # usb start

(Re)start USB...

USB: scanning bus for devices... 2 USB Device(s) found
scanning bus for storage devices... usb_stor_get_info->1406,blksz:512

1 Storage Device(s) found
```

• Enter **fatls usb 0** to view the upgrade images in the USB flash drive.

```
hisilicon # fatls usb 0
2902412 kernel
220236 u-boot
3949568 rootfs
3 file(s), 0 dir(s)
```

• Enter **fatload usb 0 0x42000000 kernel** to download the kernel image to the board memory.

```
hisilicon # fatload usb 0 0x42000000 kernel reading kernel 2902412 bytes read
```

• Enter **bootm 0x42000000** to start the new kernel from the board memory.

```
hisilicon # bootm 0x42000000

## Booting kernel from Legacy Image at 42000000 ...

Image Name: Linux-3.10.0_hi3536

Image Type: ARM Linux Kernel Image (uncompressed)

Data Size: 3941184 Bytes = 3.8 MiB

Load Address: 40008000

Entry Point: 40008000

Loading Kernel Image ... OK

OK

Starting kernel ...
```



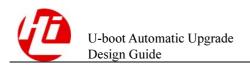
If the content similar to the preceding information is displayed, correct data is read from the USB flash drive, and the USB OHCI driver is successfully ported.

## 2.2.6 Adding the Automatic Upgrade Entry Function

The following describes how to add the automatic upgrade entry function by taking the Hi3536 as an example. If you want to add the function for other chips, replace the corresponding paths.

Add the automatic upgrade entry function to the **board.c** file in **board/hi3536/**. The contents in red need to be modified. For details, see chapter 3 "Design Details."

```
int misc_init_r(void)
#ifdef CONFIG RANDOM ETHADDR
       random init r();
#endif
      setenv("verify", "n");
#ifdef CONFIG AUTO UPDATE
      extern int do_auto_update(void);
#ifdef CFG MMU HANDLEOK
      dcache_stop();
#endif
      do_auto_update();
                           //The automatic upgrade entry function is called
after the U-boot starts.
#ifdef CFG MMU HANDLEOK
      dcache_start();
#endif
#endif /* CONFIG_AUTO_UPDATE */
      return 0;
```



# 3 Design Details

# 3.1 Design Details About the Automatic Upgrade Solution

### 3.1.1 Data Description

#### 3.1.1.1 Related Data

Because only basic driver functions are ported, the following instances involve only the boot, kernel, and rootfs.

1. Familiarize yourself with the following definitions in the **image.h** file in **include**/ before learning about implementation of the automatic upgrade function:

```
/*
* Image types
*
```

- $^\star$  "Standalone Programs" are directly runnable in the environment
- provided by U-Boot; it is expected that (if they behave
- \* well) you can continue to work in U-Boot after return from
- \* the Standalone Program.
- \* "OS Kernel Images" are usually images of some Embedded OS which
- will take over control completely. Usually these programs
- \* will install their own set of exception handlers, device
- \* drivers, set up the MMU. this means, that you cannot
- \* expect to re-enter U-Boot except by resetting the CPU.
- \* "RAMDisk Images" are more or less just data blocks, and their
- \* parameters (address, size) are passed to an OS kernel that is
- \* being started.
- $^\star$  "Multi-File Images" contain several images, typically an OS
- \* (Linux) kernel image and one or more data images like
- \* RAMDisks. This construct is useful for instance when you want
- \* to boot over the network using BOOTP, where the boot
- \* server provides just a single image file, but you want to get
- \* for instance an OS kernel and a RAMDisk image.

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```
"Multi-File Images" start with a list of image sizes, each
   image size (in bytes) specified by an "uint32 t" in network
   byte order. This list is terminated by an "(uint32 t)0".
   Immediately after the terminating O follow the images, one by
   one, all aligned on "uint32 t" boundaries (size rounded up to
   a multiple of 4 bytes - except for the last file).
 "Firmware Images" are binary images containing firmware (like
   U-Boot or FPGA images) which usually will be programmed to
   flash memory.
* "Script files" are command sequences that will be executed by
   U-Boot's command interpreter; this feature is especially
   useful when you configure U-Boot to use a real shell (hush)
   as command interpreter (=> Shell Scripts).
* /
#define IH TYPE INVALIDO
                         /* Invalid image
#define IH TYPE STANDALONE 1 /* Standalone program
                                                         */
#define IH TYPE KERNEL 2
                         /* OS kernel image
#define IH TYPE RAMDISK3
                         /* RAMDisk image
                                                  * /
#define IH TYPE MULTI 4
                         /* Multi-file image */
#define IH TYPE FIRMWARE
                         5 /* Firmware image
#define IH TYPE SCRIPT 6
                         /* Script file */
#define IH TYPE FILESYSTEM 7  /* File system image (any type)*/
#define IH TYPE FLATDT 8
                          /* Binary flat device tree blob*/
```

The **T** parameter in the **mkimage** command specifies the image type. Table 3-1 describes the mapping between image types and the **mkimage** command.

Table 3-1 Mapping between image types and the mkimage command

Image Type	mkimage Command	
u-boot.bin	mkimage –T firmware (corresponding to IH_TYPE_FIRMWARE)	
kernel	mkimage –T kernel (corresponding to IH_TYPE_KERNEL)	
rootfs	mkimage –T filesystem (corresponding to IH_TYPE_FILESYSTEM)	

2. The following code defines the indexes of the images to be updated and the total number of images:

```
/*Index of each file in the following arrays */
#define IDX_FIRMWARE 0
#define IDX_KERNEL 1
#define IDX_ROOTFS 2
/*Maximum number of files which could interest us */
```



#define AU MAXFILES 3

3. The following shows the names of the images to be updated:

Note that the preceding file names are consistent with the names of files stored in the USB flash drive. After the files in the USB flash drive are enumerated, the automatic upgrade program searches for images by file name.

4. Storage positions of images in the flash memory:

```
struct flash layout
long start;
long end;
/*Layout of the FLASH. ST = start address, ND = end address. */
#define AU FL FIRMWARE ST 0x0
#define AU FL FIRMWARE ND 0x7FFFF
#define AU FL KERNEL ST0x100000
#define AU FL KERNEL ND0x5FFFFF
#define AU FL ROOTFS ST0x600000
#define AU FL ROOTFS NDOxbFFFFF
/*Sizes of flash areas for each file */
long ausize[AU MAXFILES] = {
(AU FL FIRMWARE ND + 1) - AU FL FIRMWARE ST,
(AU_FL_KERNEL_ND + 1) - AU_FL_KERNEL_ST,
(AU FL ROOTFS ND + 1) - AU FL ROOTFS ST,
};
/*Array of flash areas start and end addresses */
struct flash layout aufl layout[AU MAXFILES] = {
{ AU FL FIRMWARE ST, AU FL FIRMWARE ND, },
{ AU FL KERNEL ST, AU FL KERNEL ND,
{ AU_FL_ROOTFS_ST, AU_FL ROOTFS ND,
} ;
```



5. Start address for the required memory. The start address is required for writing the upgraded images in the USB flash drive to the board memory.

```
/*Where to load files into memory */
#define LOAD_ADDR ((unsigned char *)0x82000000)
/*The app is the largest image */
#define MAX LOADSZ ausize[IDX ROOTFS]
```

To write upgrade images in the USB flash drive to the flash memory, perform the following steps:

- **Step 1** Load the upgrade images in the USB flash drive to the board memory using the file system.
- **Step 2** Write the images from the memory to the SPI flash.

----End

#### 3.1.1.2 Check Information

The first several bytes of each image to be upgraded must contain the information such as the magic number, cyclic redundancy check (CRC), file type, and file size.

```
#define IH MAGIC
                   0x27051956 /*Image magic number*/
                   32 /* Image name length*/
#define IH NMLEN
typedef struct image header {
uint32 t
           ih magic; /* Image header magic number
uint32 t
           ih hcrc;
                       /* Image header CRC checksum
uint32 t
           ih time;
                       /* Image creation timestamp */
uint32 t
           ih size;
                        /* Image data size
uint32 t
           ih load;
                       /* Data load address
                                               */
uint32 t
            ih ep;
                     /* Entry point address
                                               */
uint32 t
            ih dcrc;
                           /* Image data CRC checksum */
uint8 t ih os; /* Operating system */
uint8 t ih arch;
                    /* CPU architecture
uint8 tih type;
                   /* Image type */
uint8 tih comp;
                       /* Compression type
uint8 t ih name[IH NMLEN]; /* Image name
} image header t;
```

The information is written by running the **mkimage** command. If the information does not exist or some items mismatch, images are not updated.

#### 3.1.2 Functions

#### 3.1.2.1 Implementation of External Functions

The following are the functions related to the FAT file system:

```
extern int fat_register_device(block_dev_desc_t *, int);
extern int file_fat_detectfs(void)
extern long file fat read(const char *, void *, unsigned long);
```



The preceding functions are used for registering FAT devices and reading files by file name.

```
extern block dev desc t *get dev (char*, int);
```

The function is used for operating the block device. The first partition is selected by default in the automatic upgrade process.

#### 3.1.2.2 Implementation of Internal Functions

The following four major functions are implemented during the automatic upgrade progress. Each function performs CRC. If CRC for any function fails, an error is returned, and the upgrade is aborted.

- int au\_check\_cksum\_valid(int idx, long nbytes)
  - The function is used to obtain the size of the file to be upgraded and compare the file size with that in the **image\_header.h** file. If the sizes mismatch, an error is returned, and the upgrade is aborted.
- int au\_check\_header\_valid(int idx, long nbytes)
  - This function is used to check the image\_header of an image. If the image does not pass the check, the upgrade is aborted.
  - If the image passes the check, the function can be used to check the image version by comparing the presentation time stamps (ih\_time) of the new and old images. If the creation time of the image is earlier than the time recorded, the image is not downloaded to the flash memory. The image that contains required information and passes the check is written to the flash memory. Then, the PTS of the image is saved in the U-boot environment variables for the next comparison.
- int au do update(int idx, long sz)
  - This function is used to write data to the flash memory. After an image to be upgraded passes all checks, the image is written to the flash memory using this function.
- int do auto update(void)
  - This function is the main function of the automatic upgrade process, and is called by external files. Figure 3-1 shows the workflow of int do\_auto\_update(void).

Start the U-boot. Detect storage devices. No No Is a USB flash drive Is an SD card detected? detected? Yes Obtain the storage device node. Register an FAT file system. Check the file system type of the SD card or USB flash drive. Is the storage device formatted in FAT No format? Yes Initialize the SPI flash. No upgrade packages in the SD card No upgrade packages in the USB flash drive Start the U-boot in normal mode because the U-boot is not upgraded. Are there upgrade packages? Yes Do the upgrade packages pass the check? No Yes Copy the upgrade packages to the memory. Burn the images to the upgraded from the memory to the SPI flash. Start the new U-boot after the U-boot is Is the U-boot successfully upgraded. successfully upgraded? No Yes Save the current

Figure 3-1 Workflow of int do\_auto\_update(void)

For details about implementation, see product/hiupdate/auto update.c under the U-boot.

environment variables.