



HUAWEI Module

# **FOTA Application Guide**

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# 1 Overview

This document is intended to provide references for customers to do module firmware update over the air. Customers need to refer to this document to develop the host application. This document also contains examples and relevant description.

Huawei module and the related firmware in the table below support the FOTA service.

| Huawei Module                  | Firmware Version Supported FOTA |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| MU509-b                        | 12.815.03.01.00 or latter       |
| MU509-g                        | 12.815.03.01.00 or latter       |
| MU509-c                        | 11.815.00.78.00 or latter       |
| MU609                          | 12.105.29.00.00 or latter       |
| MU609 (mini PCIE)              | 12.105.29.00.00 or latter       |
| MU609 (AT&T Special)           | 12.107.08.05.457 or latter      |
| MU609 (AT&T mini PCIE Special) | 12.107.07.05.457 or latter      |

**NOTE**

Users can send AT command "ATI" to the module and get the firmware version number.

## 1.1 Organization of This Document

| Chapter                     | Description                                               |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| Chapter 1 Overview          | Describes the contents and organization of this document. |
| Chapter 2 FOTA Solution     | Describes the FOTA solution.                              |
| Chapter 3 FOTA Test Example | Describes example for the upgrade.                        |



| Chapter                              | Description                |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Chapter 4 Acronyms and Abbreviations | Acronyms and Abbreviations |

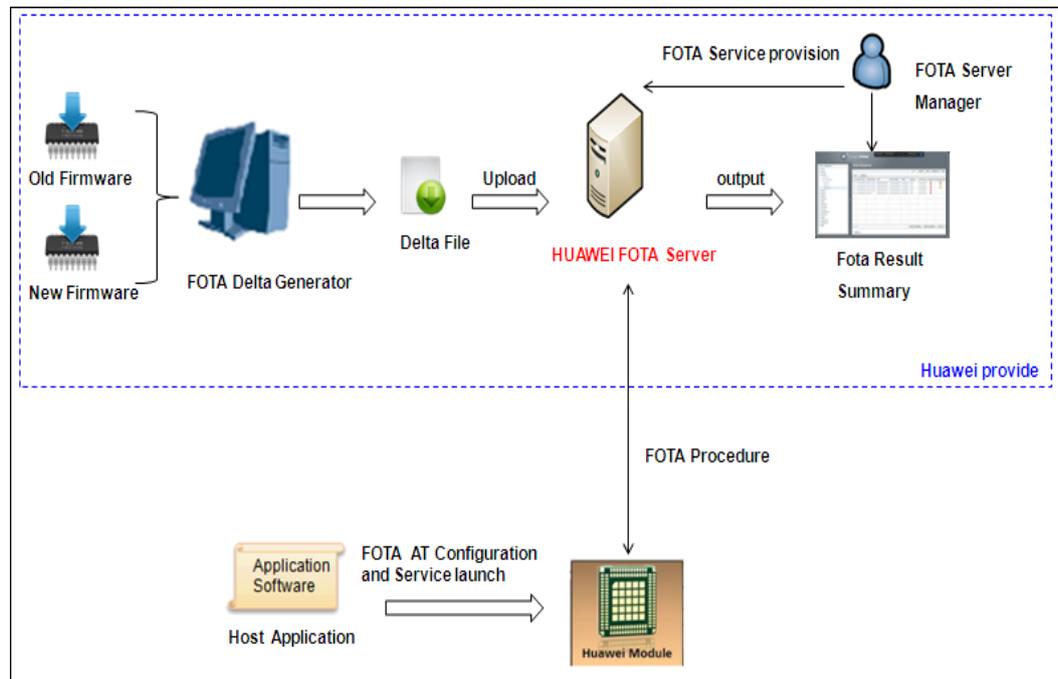
## 1.2 Basic Download Concept

- **Host Application:** developed by users, this application needs to refer to the processes in this document.
- **FOTA Delta File:** made by Huawei, the FOTA delta file will be uploaded to the Huawei FOTA server.

# 2 FOTA Solution

## 2.1 Overview of FOTA Solution

Figure 2-1 FOTA flow overview



### NOTE

- The customer needs to confirm the old firmware and new firmware version numbers.
- The customer needs to provide the module model and the module's IMEI list, country and location.

## 2.2 FOTA Flow

Figure 2-2 Huawei FOTA policy

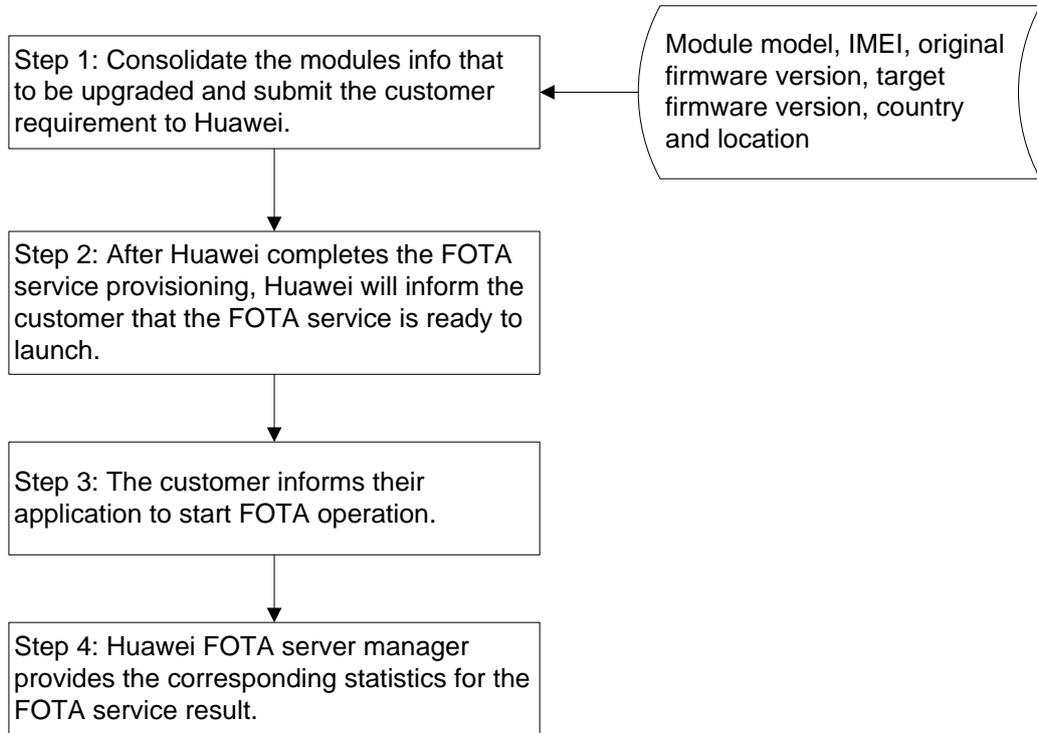
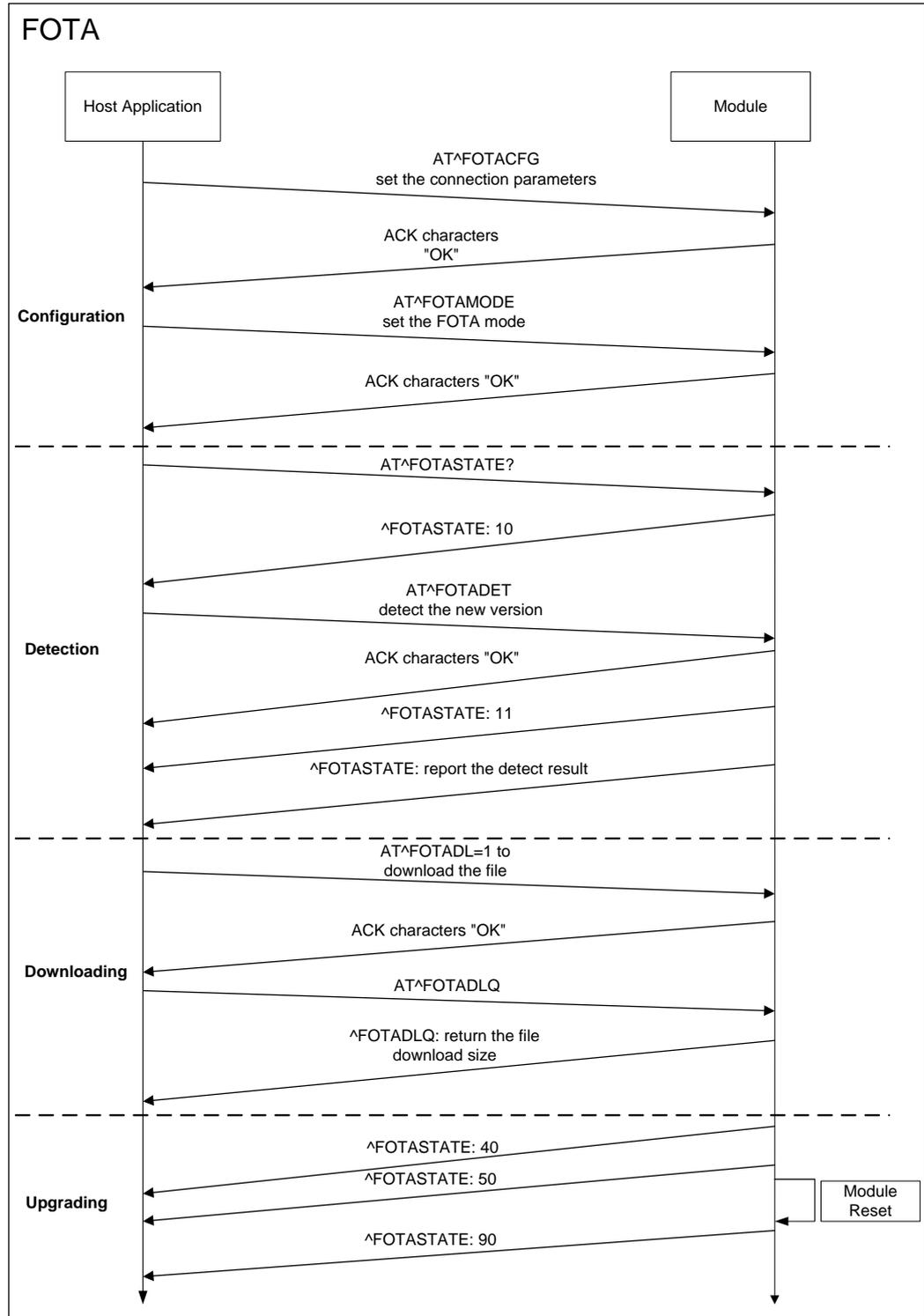


Figure 2-3 shows the overview of Huawei FOTA solution.

Figure 2-3 Huawei FOTA normal flow



**NOTE**

Customers can refer to module's AT command specification for more configuration details information from "AT^FOTAMODE".

## 2.3 FOTA Application

Huawei FOTA solution provides AT commands for the host application. It is easy for customers to implement the FOTA application flow with these FOTA commands on host application.

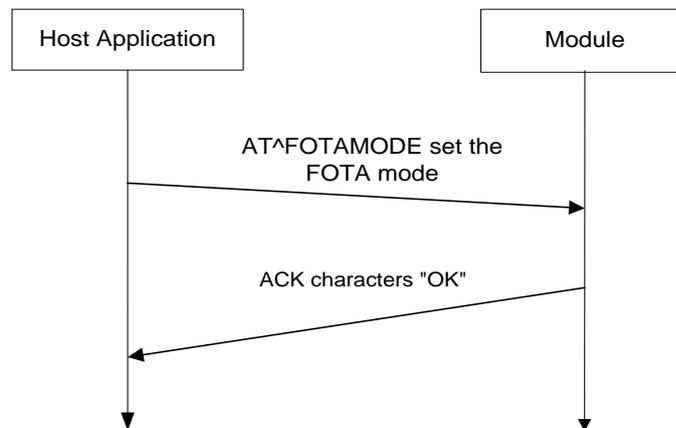
AT commands related to the FOTA are as follows. Customers can get the details of these AT commands' parameters from the module's AT command specification.

- AT^FOTAMODE
- AT^FOTACFG
- AT^FOTADET
- AT^FOTADL
- AT^FWUP
- AT^FOTASTATE
- AT^FOTADLQ

### 2.3.1 Configure the FOTA Mode

Customers can use the AT command "AT^FOTAMODE" to set the FOTA mode.

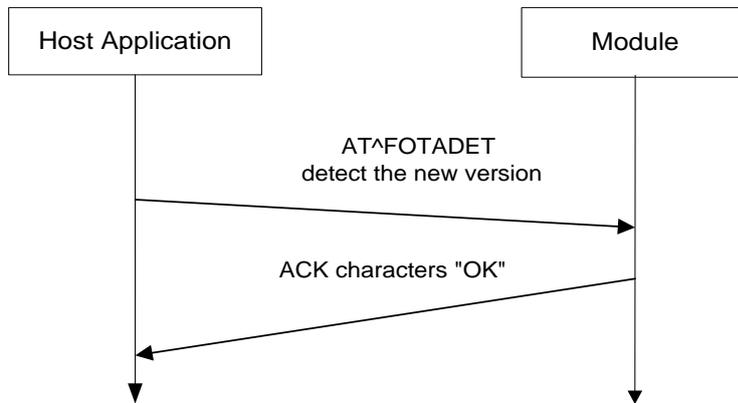
**Figure 2-4** Set the FOTA mode



### 2.3.2 Detect the New Version

Customers can use the AT command "AT^FOTADET" to detect the new firmware version manually.

**Figure 2-5** Detect the new version



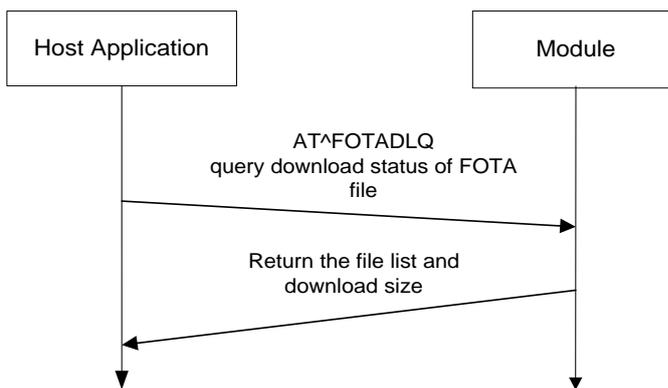
**NOTE**

If the module reports that the new version detection is failed, please check the connection parameters settings by running the "AT^FOTACFG". If all the connection parameters are OK, the customer should check whether the module can make a data connection to the network.

### 2.3.3 Query Download Status of FOTA File

Customers can use the AT command "AT^FOTADLQ" to query the download size and the download progress of the firmware file.

**Figure 2-6** Query download status of FOTA file



**NOTE**

After the host application sends the "AT^FOTADL=1" to the module, the delta file download progress will be launched. It is not necessary to worry about the condition that the module may be suddenly powered off or reset during the download:

- If the module has already downloaded the whole delta file, the firmware upgrade will be launched at the next time when module reboots.
- If the module does not finish the delta file download, the module can continue to download the remained delta file data after "AT^FOTAMODE" is executed to enable the resumable data transfer.

# 3 FOTA Test Example

This chapter takes the MU509 FOTA progress test as an example, and gives the whole AT commands used in the test. Customers can get the explanation from the log contents among the log rows, and refer to the logs to implement the host application. Please refer to the module's AT command specification to get the FOTA feature AT command details for more using scenarios.

**NOTE**

The firmware versions used in this document are demo versions.

1. Perform the FOTA upgrade after the host application receives SMS or socket command:

Run: AT+GMR  
Response: 12.815.01.03.00

OK

2. Configure the APN to connect the FOTA server:

Run: AT^FOTACFG="1234","","",2  
Response: OK

**NOTE**

"1234" is an APN in local lab network. Users need to set the correct network APN value in the actual using scenario.

3. Configure the FOTA operation mode (customers can choose the preferred configuration by modifying the parameter value of AT^FOTAMODE):

Run: AT^FOTAMODE=0,0,1,1  
Response: OK

## 4. Check the FOTA state:

Run: AT^FOTASTATE?

Response: ^FOTASTATE: 10

OK

## 5. Detect whether the new version exists on Huawei FOTA server:

Run: AT^FOTADET

Response: OK

## 6. The module reports the state and the new version detection result:

Response: ^FOTASTATE: 11

Response: ^FOTASTATE: 12,12.815.01.04.00,79114,"Support send SMS background"

## 7. Download the new version:

Run: AT^FOTADL=1

Response: OK

## 8. Download the firmware delta file:

Response: ^FOTASTATE: 30

## 9. Get the download progress:

Run: AT^FOTADLQ

Response: ^FOTADLQ: 1,"IMAGE",1324,1324  
^FOTADLQ: 2,"XNV",47104,77778

OK

## 10. Finish the delta file download:

Response: ^FOTASTATE: 40

## 11. Ready to upgrade the firmware:

Response: ^FOTASTATE: 50

## 12. The module will upgrade the firmware and then be automatically reset.

## 13. The module will report the upgrade result after reset:

Response: ^FOTASTATE: 90

## 14. Check the firmware version number to confirm the result:

Run: AT+GMR

Response: 12.815.01.04.00

OK

# 4 Acronyms and Abbreviations

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**Table 4-1** List of Abbreviations

| Acronym or Abbreviation | Expansion                               |
|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| ACK                     | Acknowledgement                         |
| APN                     | Access Point Name                       |
| FOTA                    | Firmware Over the Air                   |
| IMEI                    | International Mobile Equipment Identity |
| SMS                     | Short Message Service                   |