

Host parameterization via asynchronous data transfer (ADT)

Use case guide

About this document

Scope and purpose

This document outlines the setup process of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT to enable host parameterization using asynchronous data transfer. It demonstrates the steps through which the end user can operate and explore the use case with the device.

Intended audience

This document is primarily intended for solution providers, system integrators, application developers, and product marketers who want to evaluate and test the asynchronous data transfer functionality of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT.

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1 Introduction

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This use case guide assists users in understanding the key features of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT that enable the host parameterization via asynchronous data transfer (ADT) use case. It also provides a high-level overview of how the device needs to be configured for this use case and the steps required to realize real-world use case scenarios.

[Chapter 2](#) describes the use case in general and the specific features of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT.

[Chapter 3](#) describes how the use case will be enabled on the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT, beginning with its personalization and guiding through the implementation of the use case.

The [Appendix A](#) section provides generic information about the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT like its product architecture, the supported interfaces and the command set. Furthermore, this section contains a comprehensive description of the product delivery condition, which summarizes all the relevant details to enable the preparation of the device for its intended use.

Note: *For a collection of all available support material for the product, refer to its product page [\[5\]](#).*

1.1 NFC I2C bridge tags

NFC Bridge Tags are dual-interface tags that enable contactless features for IoT devices via an I2C controller interface, allowing for a touch-and-go experience with a mobile phone. On one side, the NFC Bridge Tags include a contactless passive NFC interface and on the other side, a contact-based I2C target interface that connects to the MCU of the IoT device.

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT harnesses the Integrity Guard 32 security architecture to provide an option for the end-user with symmetric and asymmetric cryptographic operations, as well as password-based data protection schemes. As a result, the device is ideal for security demanding applications.

This product includes device authentication, pass-through and asynchronous data transfer modes, which can be used for variety of applications such as:

- Keyless access and activation of shared mobility vehicles
- Controlled access to personal electronic devices such as HDD
- Theft prevention for electronic goods by authenticated activation

This tag can also be used in healthcare and industrial applications. The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT, in combination with healthcare sensors, enables access to information through an NFC-enabled mobile phone or reader. Furthermore, the device is an ideal product for industrial applications such as headless configuration and parametrization of devices, assembly line programming and fault diagnostics.

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This chapter describes the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT's asynchronous data transfer mode. This mode allows data to be transferred between the NFC and I2C interfaces to enable use cases such as host parameterization or sensor read out.

2.1 General information

Host parameterization via asynchronous data transfer is used in embedded environments, where the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT is connected to a host. The device translates communication initiated by an NFC-enabled mobile phone to the host and vice versa. Asynchronous data transfer means that the I2C and NFC interfaces are not available at the same time; in other words, communication in this mode is mutually exclusive, with only one interface available for communication at any given time.

2.2 Methodology

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT's specific connectivity via NFC and I2C interfaces, as well as its specific file system, ensure that information can be received via one of its interfaces, stored in a dedicated file, and transferred via the other interface at different points in time.

2.3 ADT use case example

The embedded system for the ADT use case example, consisting of an OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT and a host MCU, communicates with an NFC-enabled mobile phone. The NFC-enabled mobile phone is used to write configuration data to the host. The device stores configuration data persistently in dedicated "mailbox" files, which the host can retrieve later via the I2C interface. These mailbox files can be password-protected to restrict access from the NFC and/or host MCU sides.

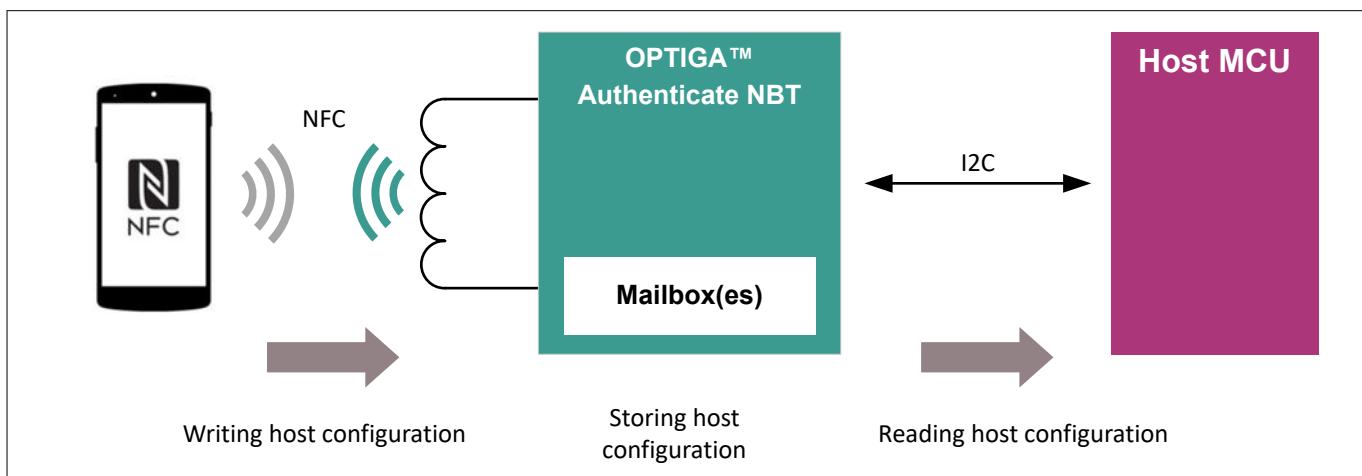


Figure 1 Host parameterization via asynchronous data transfer (ADT)

Possible usage scenarios include:

- Device manufacturing
- Headless passive configuration
- Reporting diagnostic data
- Obtaining Bluetooth/Wi-Fi pairing data

The above-mentioned scenarios are listed and described in more detail in the Extended Datasheet [6].

The following chapters discuss the technical environment requirements, as well as the interface availability and configurations of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT, in order to use it most efficiently in the asynchronous data transfer mode.

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This chapter describes how to use the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT for the asynchronous data transfer use case. This includes the steps required to configure the product as well as interactions with the product during the OPERATIONAL state.

Note: Infineon Technologies provides host libraries to support the integration of OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT into custom applications on different platforms. Multiple example applications demonstrate how these libraries can be utilized for interactions with the device during personalization and operation in different use cases. For more information refer to product website [5] or the Software Integration Guide [8].

The the asynchronous data transfer is demonstrated using the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT connected to a PSOC microcontroller. The example shown in this section covers the flow to configure the device. These steps correspond to the example applications provided for this use case which contain a basic example of how the device can be integrated for this document's use case.

A comprehensive summary of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT's technical details, relevant for the implementation of this use case, is presented in [Appendix A.1](#).

3.1 Prerequisites

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT is shipped in its device delivery condition (see [Appendix A.2](#)).

The asynchronous data transfer requires the embedded tag setup, where the device is integrated into the system via the following external connections:

- L_A and L_B are connected to an NFC antenna
- The device is externally supplied via V_{CC} and GND pins for the communication via the I2C interface
- I2C host interface is using via SDA, SCL, and IRQ to communicate

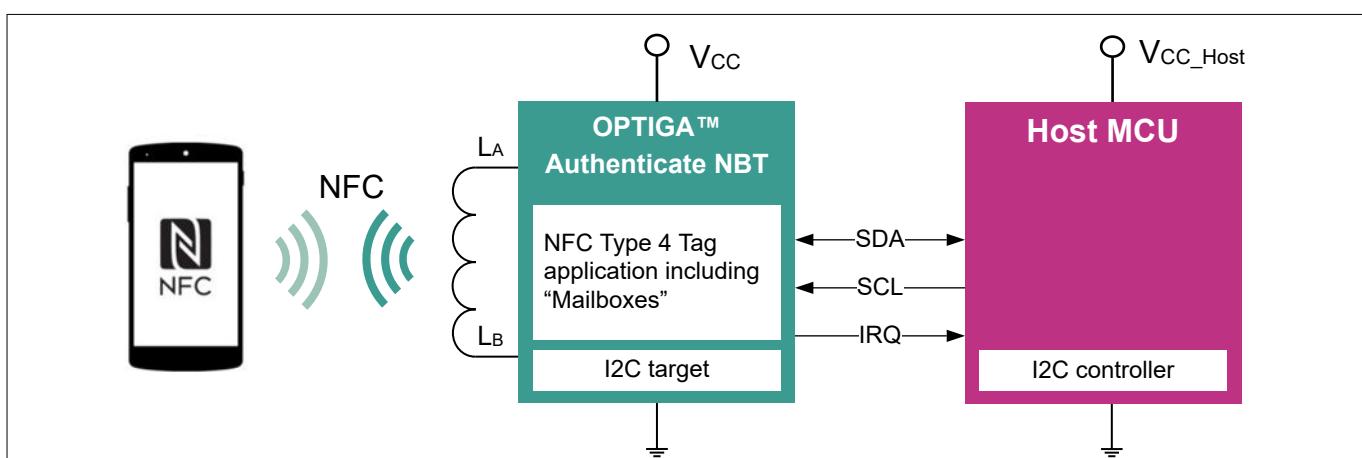


Figure 2 Embedded tag - asynchronous data transfer

3.2 Operation modes

In asynchronous data transfer mode, the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT communicates with either the host MCU or the NFC-enabled mobile phone. The device can be powered via the RF field using an antenna connected to the L_A and L_B pads, or via V_{CC} . This enables use cases such as headless device configuration. In such a case, settings can be transferred to or diagnostic data can be collected from the device while it remains unpowered. In ADT mode, the interfaces (NFC and I2C) are operated in a mutually exclusive manner. Alternatively, the device can be configured for synchronous pass-through mode [9].

For more information on asynchronous data transfer, refer to Extended Datasheet [6].

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3.3 Personalization

The following chapter describes how to configure the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT for the asynchronous data transfer use case.

3.3.1 Device target state

The following configurations can be used to operate the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT in the asynchronous data transfer mode:

- Both, the I2C and NFC interfaces need to be enabled
- The I2C interface supports the GP T=1' protocol
- At delivery, the IRQ is disabled, which allows GP T=1' polling mode. It is recommended to configure the IRQ line to I2C-IRQ to enable the host for interrupt driven protocol handling

Interface settings	I2C interface		Enabled
	NFC interface		Enabled
IRQ settings	I2C-IRQ		Enabled
	PT-IRQ		Disabled
	NFC-IRQ		Disabled

Figure 3 Interface configuration for asynchronous data transfer

In the following example, two proprietary files from the preconfigured file system (for example, FILE_1 and FILE_2) are used as mailbox files containing application data, which will be transferred asynchronously between the NFC and the I2C interface. These two files are used in the following ways:

- FILE_1 is used to transfer data ("Phone2Host") from a phone to the host via its NFC interface. Therefore, the access rights configured in the FAP file need to allow data writing and reading from the NFC interface. Through the I2C interface, read access to this file is allowed while write access is blocked
- FILE_2, on the other hand, can be fully accessed (write and read) from a host connected via the NFC interface to transfer data ("Host2Phone"), whereas write access via/from the NFC interface is blocked by the FAP settings
- In specific applications, protecting these files with a password can be beneficial to prevent unauthenticated file modifications during operation

In this example, FILE_3 and FILE_4 are not used. Thus, any file access to these files is blocked by configuring the "NEVER" condition for read and write from both interfaces. The content of the NDEF file is not relevant for the asynchronous data transfer functionality and can be filled with custom data. In real-world use cases, the NDEF infrastructure supported by Android or iOS can be used to enable a seamless user experience by directing the end user to an OEM's own URL or data transfer application in the iOS App Store or the Android Play Store.

Figure 4 depicts the device's target configuration for this ADT example.

Type 4 Tag application file	File Access Policy file				Capability Container file				NDEF message file				FILE_1				FILE_2				FILE_3				FILE_4			
File usage/content	Type 4 Tag application file access settings				References to Type 4 Tag files				User-defined information				Phone2Host				Host2Phone				<empty>				<empty>			
Operation	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update
Access condition value for ADT	N	N	N	N	A	N	A	N	A	A	A	N	A	N	A	A	A	A	A	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	

Access conditions: A = ALWAYS; N = NEVER; P = PASSWORD REQUIRED

Figure 4 Target configuration for the asynchronous data transfer mode

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3.3.2 Utilized interfaces

In PERSONALIZATION life cycle state, the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT can be configured via both interfaces, I2C and NFC.

3.3.3 Personalization procedure

Figure 5 depicts the standard personalization procedure.

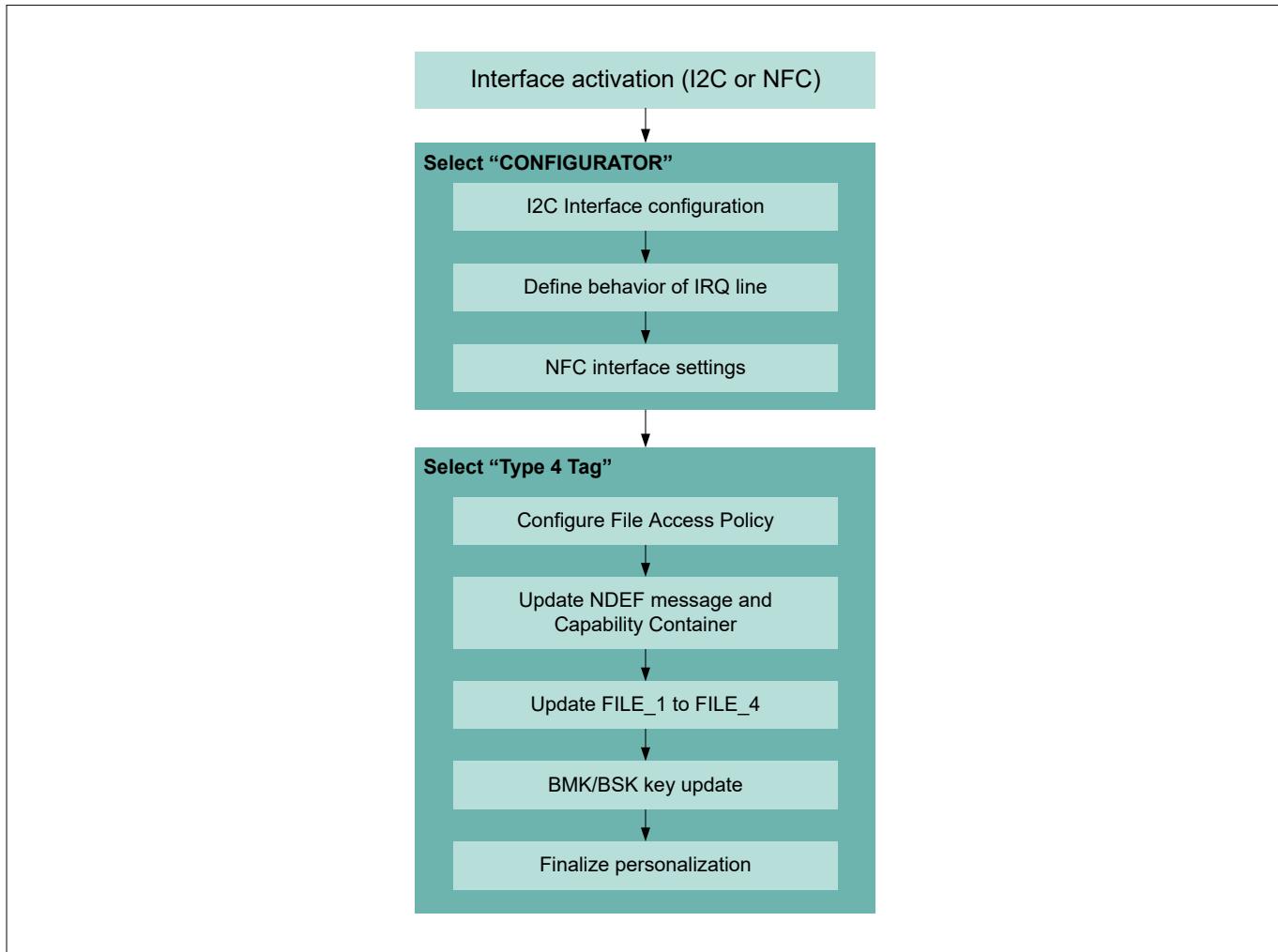


Figure 5 Standard personalization procedure

The personalization of OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT can be executed via the I2C interface (from a host MCU) or the NFC interface (from an NFC-enabled mobile phone). It is recommended to perform interface-related configurations via the CONFIGURATOR application once the preferred interface is activated.

Subsequently, the Type 4 Tag application's file contents (for example, application-related data in the NDEF file) should be changed, file access conditions (in the EF.FAP file) can be updated accordingly and key values must be exchanged to application- and/or customer-specific values.

The last step in this sequence is to activate the OPERATIONAL state to finalize the preparation of OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT for the usage in the field.

Note: Infineon Technologies provides the implementation of example applications for mobile phones (iOS and Android) to personalize the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT for certain use cases. As these applications are shared as full source code, they can be easily modified and extended to custom personalization schemes [5].

The sequence utilizing a mobile phone, in an NFC-only tag setup, is illustrated in Figure 6.

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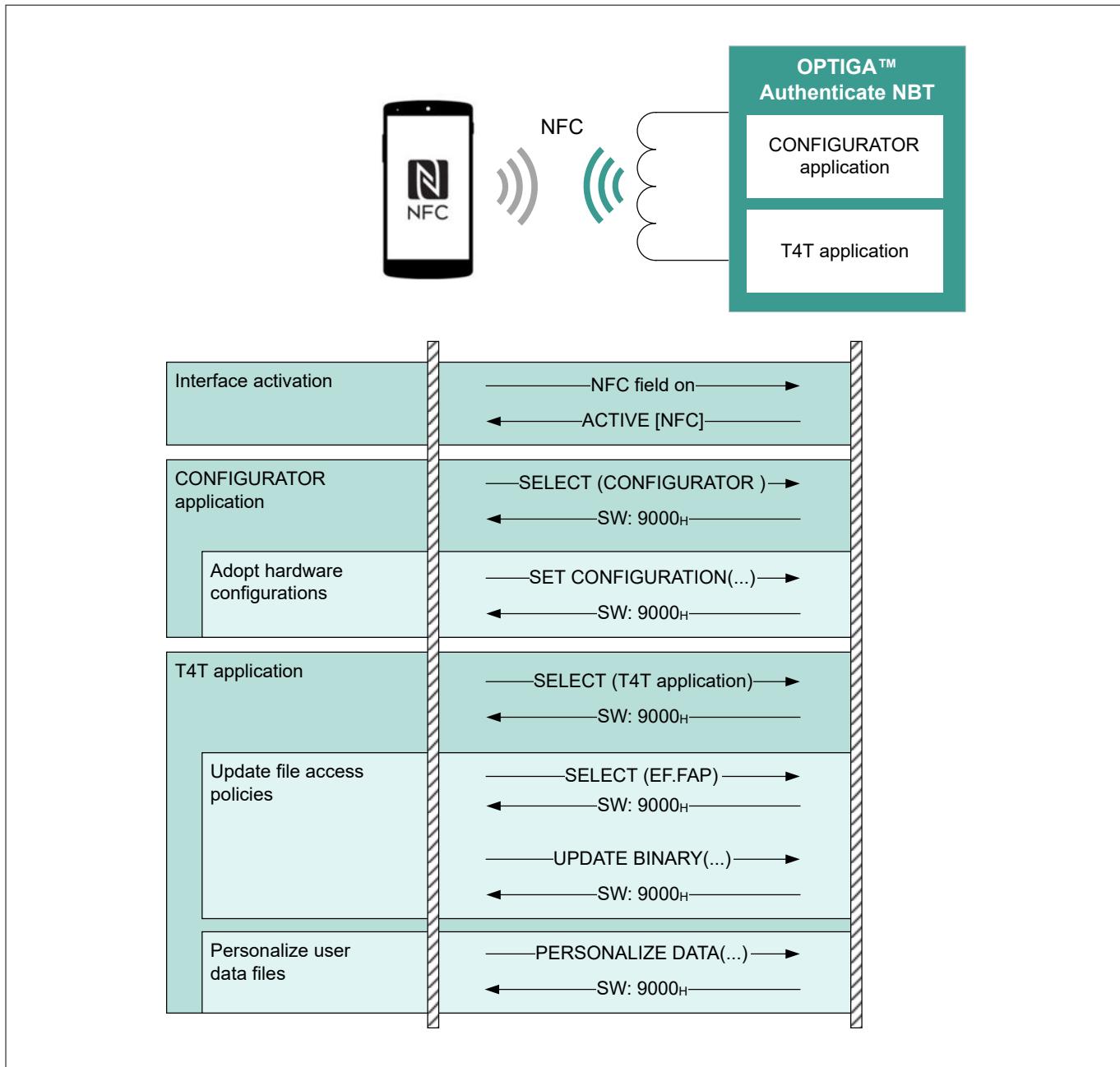


Figure 6 Personalization procedure example via NFC interface using a mobile phone

3.3.3.1 Interface configurations

Upon delivery, the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT is configured with interface settings that are suitable for the asynchronous data transfer mode, as the NFC and I2C interfaces are enabled by default.

The implementation of the GP T=1' I2C in the device relies on an interrupt line to notify the host that data is available. Hence, the I2C-IRQ option should be configured for the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT's IRQ, since the IRQ functionality is disabled by default upon delivery.

3.3.3.2 Type 4 Tag application's file configurations

After selecting the Type 4 Tag application of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT, there are two ways to personalize the application file content. The implementer may select the preferred method that is most efficient in the development and/or production environment.

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1. Standardized method using the UPDATE BINARY command
 - The targeted file needs to be selected before its content can be accessed (SELECT file command)
 - Even in the PERSONALIZATION state, file access conditions as set in EF.FAP must be satisfied
 - Setting of proper FAP may be required in advance, otherwise updating may be denied
 - BMK and BSK keys cannot be updated with this method
 - The update of file access conditions within the EF.FAP file need to be done for each of the application's file separately
2. Proprietary method using the PERSONALIZE DATA command
 - No dedicated file selection required
 - Exclusive method for updating BMK/BSK keys
 - The update of the file access conditions for all application files are possible with a single command

The file access policy should be updated to define the per-file and the per-interface access rights for the application files. It is essential that the access right settings for the NDEF file (via the NDEF-File_CTRL_TLV) and the proprietary files (via the Proprietary-File_CTRL_TLV(s)) in the EF.CC file match the FAP configuration for the respective files. The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT keeps these setting in sync for the NDEF-File_CTRL_TLV, and developers need to update this value for the Proprietary-File_CTRL_TLV. If the data is not matching, this may result in non-compliance with the NFC Forum T4T Specification [1].

In the following example, the access rights for the NDEF file (FileID: E104_H) allow read access via the NFC interface, whereas the update of data is blocked. The FAP settings for both file prevent any file access from the I2C interface. The Proprietary-File_CTRL_TLV for FILE_2 (FileID: E1A2_H) allows unconditional file access from the NFC interface (read and write/update).

Note: *The EF.CC settings only impact access from the NFC interface, while the FAP settings affect access from both interfaces supported by OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT.*

The following tables provide details about the access rights settings for the application files of OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT in the embedded configuration for the asynchronous data transfer mode. [Table 1](#) contains the access right settings an NFC reader (for example, NFC-enabled mobile phone) needs to consider.

Table 1 EF.CC (relevant for access via the NFC interface)

Tag	Length	FileID	Size	READ	WRITE	Description
04 _H	06 _H	E104 _H	1000 _H	00 _H	FF _H	NFC read: Yes; NFC write: No
05 _H	06 _H	E1A1 _H	0400 _H	00 _H	00 _H	Full access via NFC
05 _H	06 _H	E1A2 _H	0400 _H	00 _H	00 _H	NFC read: Yes; NFC write: No
05 _H	06 _H	E1A3 _H	0400 _H	FF _H	FF _H	No NFC access at all (no read, no write)
05 _H	06 _H	E1A4 _H	0400 _H	FF _H	FF _H	No NFC access at all (no read, no write)

The settings shown in [Table 2](#) govern access to all application files for the embedded configuration example. In this case, full access to the NDEF file (FileID: E104_H and E1A2_H) is permitted through the I2C interface. From the NFC interface, read access is granted; however, the update of data is blocked. Access to the proprietary files (FileIDs: E1A2_H, E1A3_H, and E1A4_H) is prohibited as they are not used in the application.

Table 2 EF.FAP (example FAP settings)

FileID	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	Description
E103 _H	40 _H	00 _H	40 _H	00 _H	No NFC update; no I2C update
E104 _H	40 _H	40 _H	40 _H	00 _H	No NFC update; full I2C
E1A1 _H	40 _H	00 _H	40 _H	40 _H	Full NFC access; no I2C update
E1A2 _H	40 _H	40 _H	40 _H	00 _H	No NFC update; full I2C

(table continues...)

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FileID	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	Description
E1A3 _H	00 _H	00 _H	00 _H	00 _H	No NFC access; no I2C access
E1A4 _H	00 _H	00 _H	00 _H	00 _H	No NFC access; no I2C access
E1AF _H	00 _H	00 _H	00 _H	00 _H	No NFC access; no I2C access

Note: *Asynchronous data transfer does not require the update of BMK and BSK. However, if updating the BMK/BSK key is required, the PERSONALIZE DATA command should be used.*

3.3.3.3 Activating the OPERATIONAL life cycle state

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT state transition from the PERSONALIZATION to the OPERATIONAL life cycle state is triggered by the following sequence:

- Selecting the CONFIGURATOR application
- Sending the DGI "FINALIZE PERSONALIZATION" embedded either into a SET CONFIGURATION or a PERSONALIZE DATA command (refer to Extended Datasheet [6])

Note: *This step may be skipped during the development phase to allow the developer to make several optimization attempts.*

3.4 Operational use case

In the OPERATIONAL life cycle state, the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT supports both interfaces: NFC and I2C. However, these two interfaces can not be active at the same time. An NFC-enabled mobile phone can communicate asynchronously with a host. The device serves as an NFC to I2C bridge device. The following components are required for the operational use:

- An NFC antenna connected to the device
- An NFC reader device, for example, an NFC-enabled mobile phone running a dedicated application
- Embedded configuration: The device is additionally interconnected into host system via I2C interface

Note: *Optionally, the NDEF message can be personalized with URL to OEM website and/or link to iOS App Store or Android Play Store.*

3.4.1 Operational flow example: Host configuration

In this example, an NFC-enabled mobile phone uses a dedicated application to update data (for example, the device configuration) on a host. The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT is connected to the host via I2C as well as to an NFC antenna, which forms a passive NFC interface that manages the NFC communication initiated by the mobile phone.

When the NFC-enabled mobile phone approaches the antenna connected to the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT, the host configuration data is updated. The Type 4 Tag application transfers new device configuration data ('Phone2Host') to the device and writes it to FILE_1. The access rights for this file are configured in the FAP file (and CC) as described in previous sections, allowing write access from the NFC interface. The file can optionally be password-protected (not shown in this example). After removing the smartphone, the host can activate its I2C interface to capture data from FILE_1 after selecting the Type 4 Tag application. Before updating its configuration, the host can check to determine if the data provided is valid.

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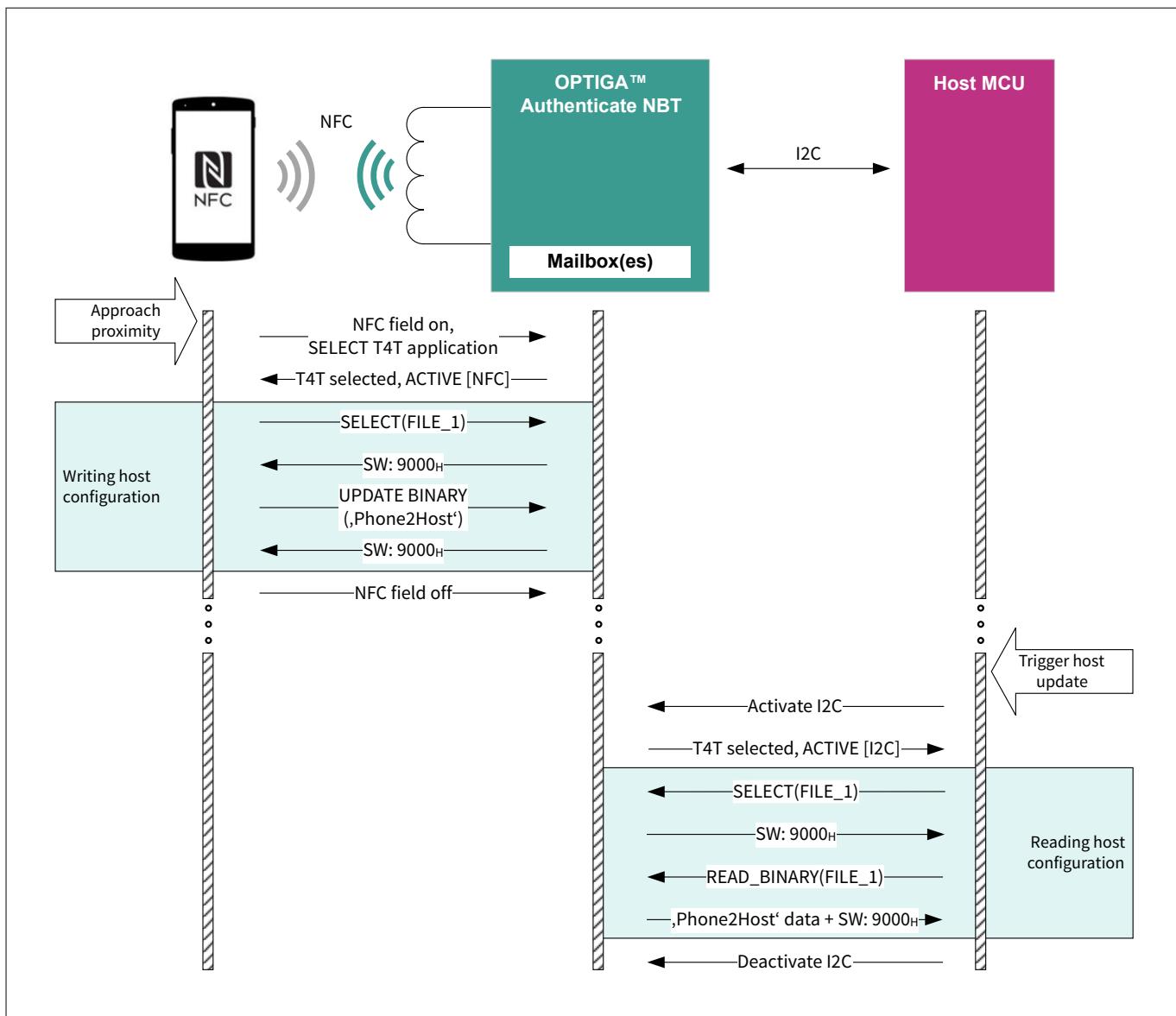


Figure 7 Host configuration via asynchronous data transfer – operational flow

3.4.2 Operational flow example: Collecting log data

In this example, the host MCU is updating application log information in FILE_2 ('Host2Phone') of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT's file system on a regular basis. The mobile phone runs a specific application. As the mobile phone approaches the device, it connects to the device. It then selects FILE_2 and asynchronously picks up the application log data for further processing.

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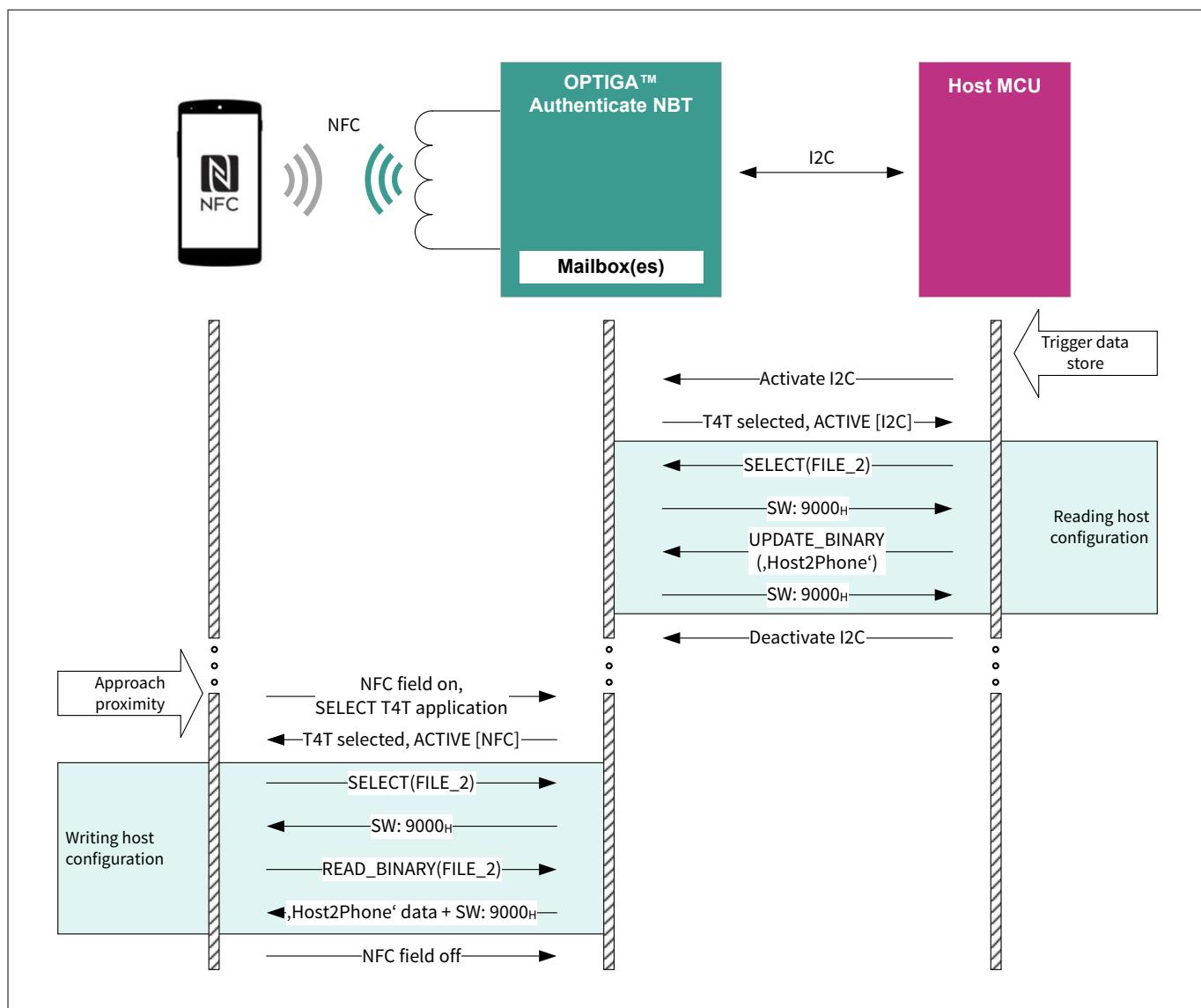


Figure 8

Read out application log via asynchronous data transfer – operational flow

Note:

Infineon Technologies provides example applications for iOS, Android, and Modus Toolbox to assist developers create applications swiftly and integrate them instantly. Infineon Technologies provides dedicated OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT libraries for C/C++, Java and Swift.

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The following section cover technical information about the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT, including its features and specifics relating to the product delivery condition. This summary can serve as a starting point to prepare the device for its intended use case.

A.1 Technical background

A brief overview of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT features can be found in following sections. This covers basic information on hardware interconnection scenarios, descriptions of the available communication interfaces, a short introduction of the product architecture including important functional blocks as well as a command reference which is used to personalize and to operate the device.

A.1.1 OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT system architecture

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT is delivered with the following selectable applications:

- CONFIGURATOR application: Used to modify the device's hardware-related settings or configuration such as interface settings, IRQ behavior, life cycle state, and additional settings
- Type 4 Tag application: Contains the EF.CC (Capability Container file), the NDEF file, proprietary "mailbox" files, and the EF.FAP (File Access Policy file)
- Pass-through application: This "virtual" application allows to transfer bigger amount of data between an NFC reader device and a host. The device manages the NFC protocol in terms of framing, timing, and waiting time extensions during the exchange of application commands

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT utilizes a protected key storage to store the BSK (Brand Protection Signing Key) and the BMK (Brand Protection MACing Key). Furthermore, the passwords used to manage the access to the application files are saved in a secured memory area.

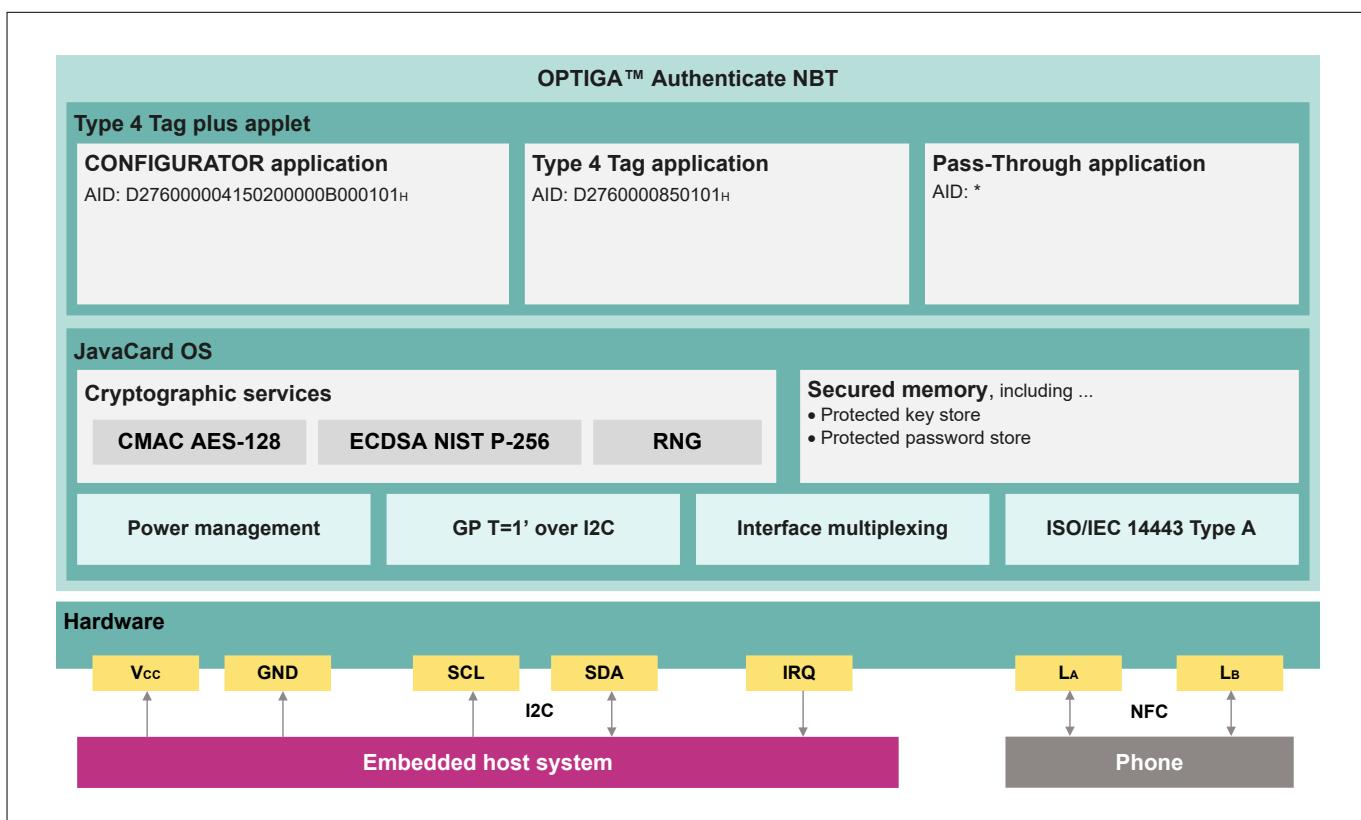


Figure 9

OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT product architecture

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Table 3 Supported applications of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT

Application ID (AID)	Application	Functionality
D2 76 00 00 04 15 02 00 00 0B 00 01 01 _H	CONFIGURATOR	Interface configurations
D2 76 00 00 85 01 01 _H	Type 4 Tag	NFC Forum Type 4 Tag
Any other (length: 5 to 16 Bytes)	Pass-through	NFC to I2C Bridge Tag

The CONFIGURATOR application controls the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT hardware configuration as described in Chapter 4 of the Extended Datasheet [6]. The pass-through application is a "virtual" application that can be activated by attempting to select an application with an AID, which is not used by the CONFIGURATOR or the Type 4 Tag application.

The Type 4 Tag application adheres to the NFC Forum T4T Specification [1]. In addition, the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT's Type 4 Tag application contains four proprietary files (FILE_1 to FILE_4) as well as the File Access Policy file (EF.FAP).

All files in the Type 4 Tag application are accessible from both interfaces (NFC and I2C). Password-based file access rights can be configured to restrict access per-file and per-interface basis. This is accomplished by updating the relevant fields in the EF.FAP file during personalization. Furthermore, the Type 4 Tag application supports the management of each file's content as well as the secure key store. Before reading or modifying file contents, the corresponding application data file must be selected by its FileID using the SELECT file command.

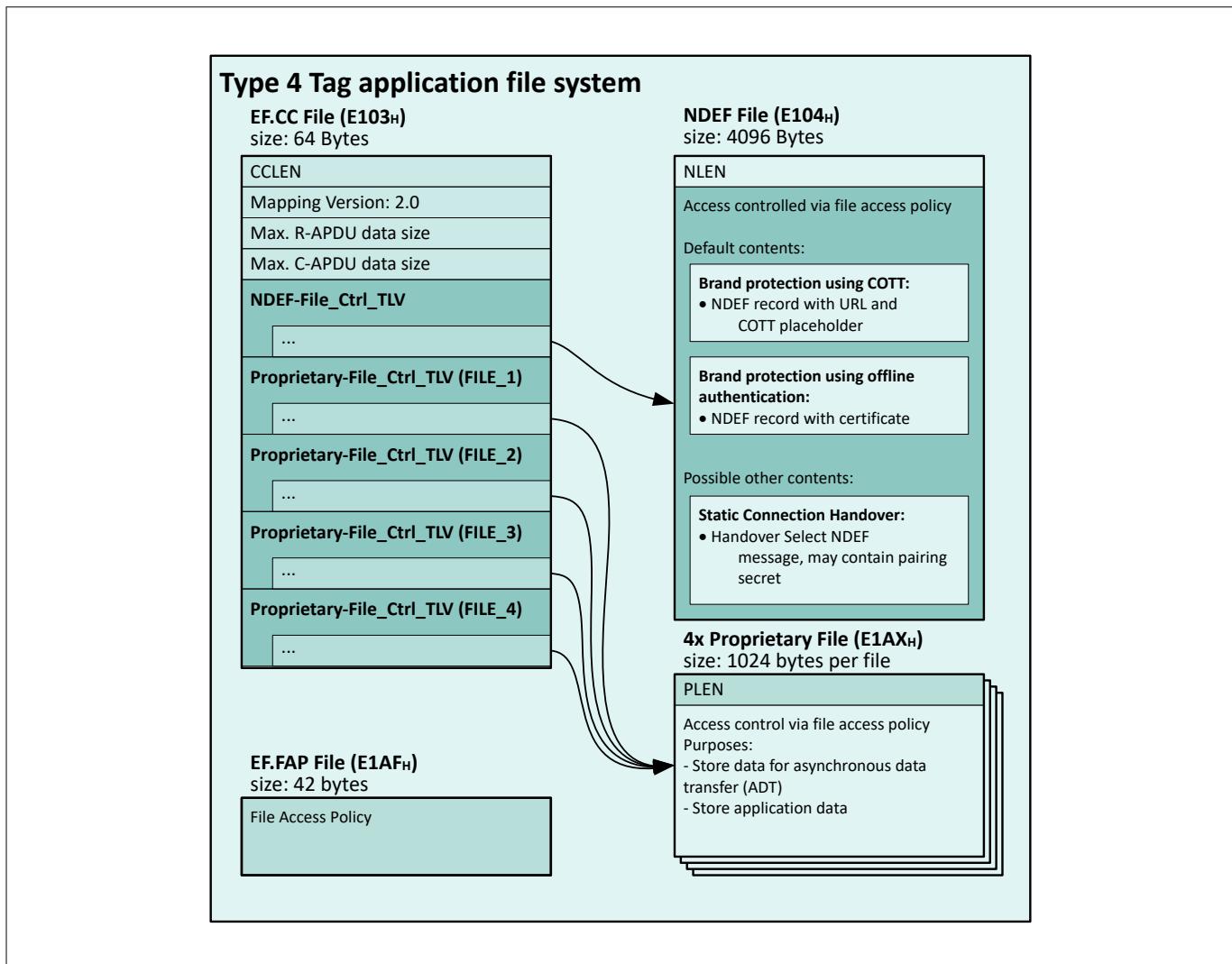


Figure 10

Type 4 Tag file structure

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Table 4 Type 4 Tag application and files

File	FileID	Size [bytes]	Content
EF.CC	E103 _H	64	Size and access policy of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NDEF file • FILE_1 to FILE_4
NDEF	E104 _H	4096	NDEF message
FILE_1	E1A1 _H	1024	Proprietary
FILE_2	E1A2 _H	1024	Proprietary
FILE_3	E1A3 _H	1024	Proprietary
FILE_4	E1A4 _H	1024	Proprietary
EF.FAP	E1AF _H	42	Definition of access rights to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EF.CC file • NDEF file • FILE_1 to FILE_4 • EF.FAP file

A.1.2 Hardware configuration

In an embedded tag setup, the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT is integrated into the system via the following external connections:

- L_A and L_B are connected to an NFC antenna
- The device is externally supplied via V_{CC} and GND pins
- I2C host interface via SDA, SCL, and IRQ

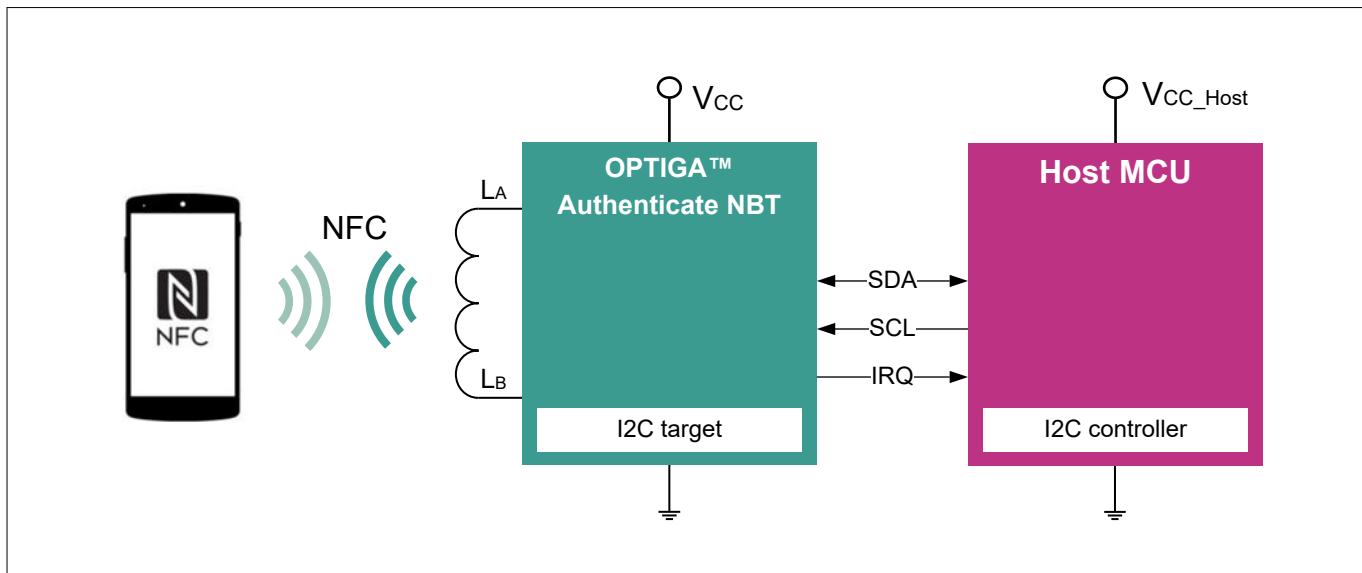


Figure 11 Embedded tag

Alternatively, the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT can be used as a stand-alone NFC-only tag, where the NFC-enabled phone may retrieve the connection handover message from the NDEF file. In this configuration, the device is connected to an NFC antenna via its L_A and L_B pins. Optionally, the device may be powered through its V_{CC} and GND pins, which extends the contactless communication distance.

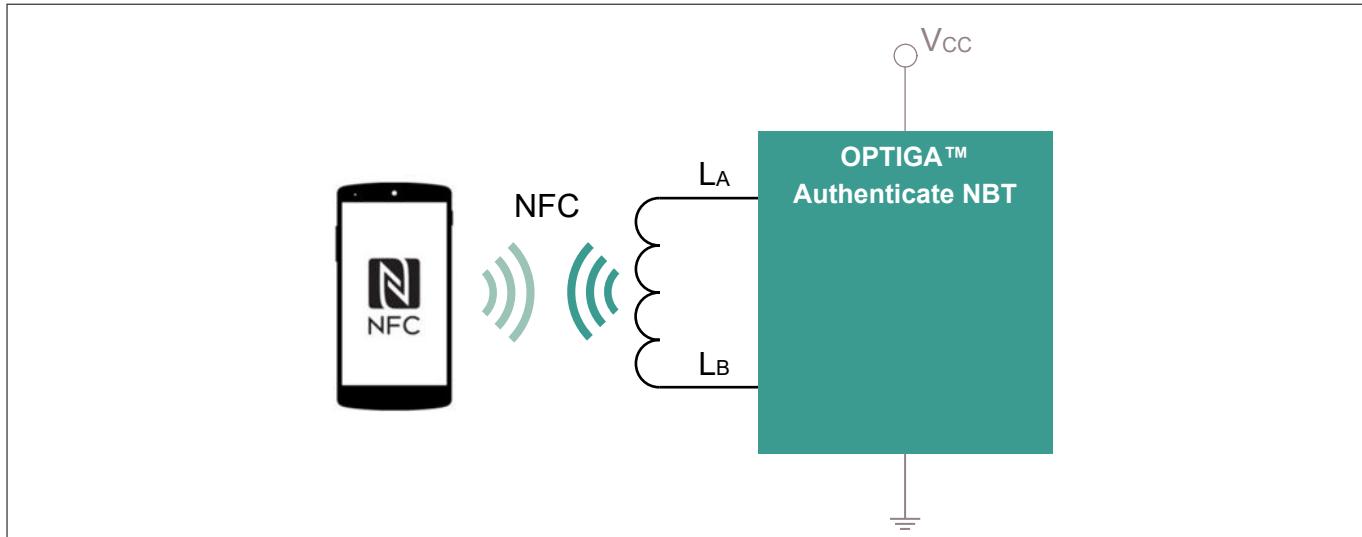


Figure 12 NFC-only tag

A.1.3 Interface description

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT includes an NFC interface as well as an I2C target interface. In the NFC-only tag scenario, for example, the NFC interface of device is physically connected to an external antenna. In an embedded tag hardware setup, the device is powered through its V_{CC} and GND pins from an external source. In this setup, the SCL and SDA lines can also be connected to an host MCU to exchange data via the I2C interface.

The IRQ line of OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT can directly be connected to one GPIO of the I2C controller MCU (host MCU). Then it must be configured as interrupt pin to support the implementation of the protocol according to Global Platform T=1' I2C specification.

Figure 13 depicts the logical communication states of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT, including state transitions and the events triggering these. Once an interface is activated (either NFC or I2C), the device is locked into that interface until it is released (by field off or a timeout).

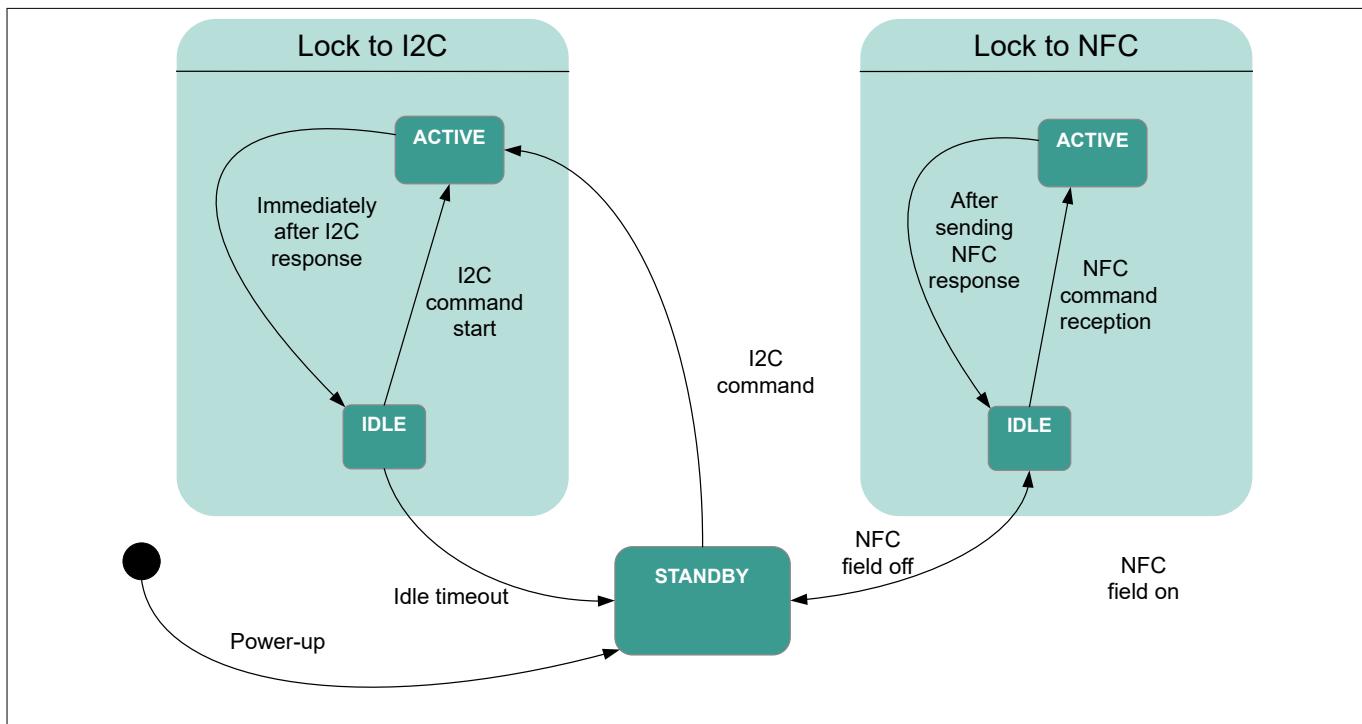


Figure 13 Logical communication states of OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT

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A.1.4 Command reference

The list of commands to personalize the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT for a use case and to operate the device in this application is provided in [Table 5](#). Moreover, the table specifies the acceptance of each command, depending on the product life cycle state.

Table 5 Command set of the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT

Command	CLA	INS	Application	PERSONALIZATION	OPERATIONAL
SELECT (application)	00 _H	A4 _H	Type 4 Tag CONFIGURATOR	✓	✓
SELECT (file)	00 _H	A4 _H	Type 4 Tag	✓	✓
READ BINARY	00 _H	B0 _H	Type 4 Tag	✓	✓
UPDATE BINARY	00 _H	D6 _H	Type 4 Tag	✓	✓
PERSONALIZE DATA	00 _H	E2 _H	Type 4 Tag	✓	x
CHANGE/UNBLOCK PASSWORD	00 _H	24 _H	Type 4 Tag	✓	✓
AUTHENTICATE TAG	00 _H	88 _H	Type 4 Tag	✓	✓
GET CONFIGURATION	20 _H	30 _H	CONFIGURATOR	✓	x
SET CONFIGURATION	20 _H	20 _H	CONFIGURATOR	✓	x

A.1.5 Life cycle states

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT supports two life cycle states as described in the Extended Datasheet [\[6\]](#):

- PERSONALIZATION state: The product will be in the PERSONALIZATION state at the time of delivery. In this life cycle state, application developers can unconditionally modify the specific settings to prepare the device for the targeted use case. This covers:
 - Interface configurations
 - File access conditions and passwords
 - File content
 - Cryptographic keys

Note: *When the product configuration and the data personalization steps are finished, it is recommended to switch the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT to the OPERATIONAL life cycle state to prevent unintended changes during the usage*

- OPERATIONAL state: In this state, the device is ready to be operated in the target application scenario. Product configuration functions are disabled. Configured file access policies prevent unverified operations on the file (based on the use case configuration)

Note: *After the activation of the OPERATIONAL state on the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT, the life cycle cannot be restored to PERSONALIZATION state*

A.2 Device delivery condition

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT comes with preloaded CONFIGURATOR and the Type 4 Tag applications. At delivery, the product is set to PERSONALIZATION state and the default configuration of the applications allow unconditional access to the following:

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- CONFIGURATOR application
 - To adopt interface settings
 - To set life cycle state to OPERATIONAL
- Type 4 Tag application
 - To modify the File Access Policy (FAP)
 - To modify file content of user data files
 - Execute key exchange of the BSK or BMK

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT is configured with I2C and NFC interfaces enabled. Refer to Extended Datasheet [\[6\]](#) for more details.

	Interface settings	I2C interface		Enabled
		NFC interface		Enabled
	IRQ settings	I2C-IRQ		Disabled
		PT-IRQ		Disabled
		NFC-IRQ		Disabled

Figure 14 Delivery condition: Interface configuration

The Type 4 Tag application consists of the following seven files:

- Capability Container file (EF.CC)
- NDEF file
- Four proprietary files (FILE_1 to FILE_4)
- File Access Policy file (EF.FAP)

The EF.CC File contains meta information such as the FileID, file size, and access conditions of the NDEF file, and the proprietary files FILE_1 to FILE_4 in the File_CTRL_TLVs. The content is set to the default values described in the Extended Datasheet [\[6\]](#)

The FAP is used to manage the file access conditions on a per-file and per-interface basis. The initial file access conditions are set as shown in [Figure 15](#). The FAP can be updated while the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT is in the PERSONALIZATION state.

Note: *The access conditions for the NFC interface configured in the FAP overrule the FILE_CTRL_TLV settings in the Capability Container. When access conditions defined in the FAP get modified, access conditions in the EF.CC for in the NDEF-File_CTRL_TLV are automatically synchronized by the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT, while Proprietary-File_CTRL_TLVs need to be updated by the implementer.*

The NDEF file contains the initial NDEF message, which is described in detail in the following chapter.

Type 4 Tag application file	File Access Policy file				Capability Container file				NDEF message file				FILE_1				FILE_2				FILE_3				FILE_4			
File usage / content	Type 4 Tag application file access settings				References to Type 4 Tag files				Infineon URL and certificate				<empty>															
Operation	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update	I2C_Read	I2C_Update	NFC_Read	NFC_Update
Access condition at delivery	A	A	A	A	A	N	A	N	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A

Access conditions: A = ALWAYS; N = NEVER; P = PASSWORD REQUIRED

Figure 15 Delivery condition: Application file content, access conditions (per-file, per-interface)

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An AES-128-CMAC key (BMK) is preloaded to support online brand protection applications that use cryptographic one-time tokens. In addition, the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT's key store contains a private key for NIST P-256-based one-way authentication (BSK). The corresponding public key is stored inside an X.509 certificate, allowing the chip's authenticity to be checked. The NDEF record containing this certificate is also stored inside the NDEF file.

A.2.1 Initial NDEF message

The OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT is delivered with a preloaded NDEF message in the NDEF file. This NDEF message contains two NDEF records: the first is an URI record followed by an external record. Initially, the URI record contains a link to <https://www.infineon.com/>, followed by the COTT placeholder string used for online brand protection use cases.

1 Byte Flags 91 _H with MB=1 _B ME=0 _B CF=0 _B SR=1 _B IL=0 _B TNF=001 _B (WKT)	1 Byte Type Length 01 _H	1 Byte Payload Length 40 _H	1 Byte Type "U" 55 _H	64 Bytes Payload		
				1 Byte ID "https://www." 02 _H	63 Bytes URI field UTF-8 string	
					19 Bytes URL "infineon.com/?cott="	44 Bytes COTT¹⁾ initially: 4x "PLACEHOLDER" at read: generated COTT value (Base64url-encoded)
NDEF Record: URI RTD						

¹⁾ The preloaded URI NDEF record contains the placeholder string. When it is read, the COTT placeholder is replaced by the generated COTT value (44 Bytes).

Figure 16 URI record

The external record is essential for the offline brand protection scheme supported by the OPTIGA™ Authenticate NBT. The record includes an X.509v3 DER-encoded public-key certificate generated by Infineon Technologies. During the manufacturing process of the chip, a certificate is created. This certificate contains each chip's individual UID and is generated during wafer-level personalization. It is embedded into the NDEF message's external record. For more information about the certificate, refer to the Appendix in [6].

1 Byte Flags 44 _H with MB=0 _B ME=1 _B CF=0 _B SR=0 _B IL=0 _B TNF=100 _B (ext.)	1 Byte Type Length 20 _H	4 Bytes Payload Length 000002BC _H	32 Bytes Type "infineon.com:nfc-bridge-tag.x509"	700 Bytes Payload		
				≤700 Bytes Certificate¹⁾ X.509v3 DER-encoded		
NDEF Record: X.509 certificate						

¹⁾ The preloaded X.509 certificate contains the 7-byte NFC UID as subject common name.

Figure 17 External record

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Glossary**Glossary****AES**

Advanced Encryption Standard (AES)

The standard for the encryption of electronic data established by the U.S. National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in 2001. The algorithm described by AES is a symmetric-key algorithm (the same key is used for both encryption and decryption).

AID

application identifier (AID)

Used to reference an application.

APDU

application protocol data unit (APDU)

The communication unit between a smart card reader and a smart card.

BMK

brand protection MAC'ing key (BMK)

BSK

brand protection signing key (BSK)

BT

Bluetooth (BT)

A short-range wireless technology standard that is used for exchanging data between fixed and mobile devices over short distances.

C-MAC

command MAC (C-MAC)

CA

certificate authority (CA)

CC

capability container (CC)

CLA

class byte (CLA)

COTT

cryptographic one-time token (COTT)

DGI

data group identifier (DGI)

ECDSA

elliptic curve digital signature algorithm (ECDSA)

FAP

file access policy (FAP)

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FID

file identifier (FID)

Used to reference an elementary file.

GND

ground (GND)

GP

GlobalPlatform (GP)

GPIO

general purpose input/output (GPIO)

I2C

inter-integrated circuit (I2C)

ID

identification (ID)

INS

instruction byte (INS)

IRQ

interrupt request (IRQ)

A type of exception that breaks the linear flow of a program. The requesting module needs a software service routine to evaluate its current state and take the necessary actions.

ISO

International Organization for Standardization (ISO)

MCU

microcontroller unit (MCU)

One or more processor cores along with memory and programmable input/output peripherals.

NBT

NFC bridge tags (NBT)

NDEF

NFC data exchange format (NDEF)

A standardized data format specification by the NFC Forum to describe how a set of actions are to be encoded onto a NFC tag or to be exchanged between two active NFC devices.

NFC

near field communication (NFC)

NFCT4T

NFC Type 4 Tag (NFCT4T)

NLEN

NDEF length (NLEN)

A field in the NDEF message that indicates the size of the NDEF message.

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OEM

original equipment manufacturer (OEM)

PKI

public key infrastructure (PKI)

A set of roles, policies, hardware, software, and procedures needed to create, manage, distribute, use, store, and revoke digital certificates and manage public-key encryption.

RNG

random number generator (RNG)

RTD

record type definition (RTD)

SCL

serial clock line (SCL)

SDA

serial data line (SDA)

T4T

Type 4 Tag (T4T)

TLV

tag length value (TLV)

UID

unique identifier (UID)

URI

uniform resource identifier (URI)

A string of characters that uniquely identify a name or a resource on a network, such as the Internet.

URL

uniform resource locator (URL)

A unique identifier used to locate a resource on the Internet (also referred to as a web address).

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