

RZ/G3S

AWO Example Project Start-up Guide

Introduction

This application note describes how to set up and execute RZ/G3S AWO Example Project.

Target Device

RZ/G3S

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1. Specifications

1.1 Deliverables

Table 1-1. Deliverables of AWO Example Project

Deliverables	File name	Description
RZ/G3S AWO Example Project	freertos_w_awo_rzg3s_evk_example.zip	CM33 project file for e2studio
RZ/G3S AWO Example Project Start-up Guide	r01an7396ej0410_rzg3s_awo_example_project_start-up_guide.pdf	This material.

2. Proven Environment

Table 2-1. Proven Environment of AWO Example Project

Item	Contents
Integration Development Environment	e ² studio 2026-04.1 or later
RZ/G VLP	v3.0.7 update5 and v4.0.1
RZ Flexible Software Package (FSP)	v4.1.0

3. AWO Example Project Setup

3.1 RZ FSP Setup

Please refer to [Getting Started with RZ/G Flexible Software Package](#).

3.2 RZ/G VLP Setup

3.2.1 Using RZ/G VLP v3.0.7

This section described how to integrate AWO related stuff to RZ/G VLP v3.0.7-update5.

- Follow the procedure from the beginning of **2.2 Building Images** to **(3) Add layers of SMARC EVK of RZ/G3S Linux Start-up Guide**.
- Download Multi-OS Feature Package (r01an8260ej0410-rz-multi-os-pkg.zip) to your working directory and run the commands stated below:

```
$ cd ~/rzg_vlp_<pkg ver>
$ unzip <Multi-OS download dir>/r01an8260ej0410-rz-multi-os-pkg.zip
$ tar zxvf r01an8260ej0410-rz-multi-os-pkg/meta-rz-features_multi-os_v4.1.0.tar.gz
```

- Uncomment the following line in **meta-rz-features/meta-rz-multi-os/meta-rzg/meta-rzg3s/meta-rzg3s-vlp3/conf/layer.conf** for enabling AWO support:

```
#MACHINE_FEATURES_append = " RZ_REMOTEPROC"
MACHINE_FEATURES_append = " RZ_CM33_FIRMWARE_LOAD"
#MACHINE_FEATURES_append = " RZ_CM33_COLDBOOT"
MACHINE_FEATURES_append = " RZ_AWO_SUPPORT"
```

4. Add the layer for Multi-OS Package, simply run the helper script and select the **meta-rzg3s-vlp3** layer from the list.

```
$ cd build
$ bash ../meta-rz-features/meta-rz-multi-os/add_meta_layer.sh
```

6. Continue to set up VLP by following **(4) - (5) of 2.2 Building images in SMARC EVK of RZ/G3S Linux Start-up Guide**.

3.2.2 Using RZ MPU VLP v4.0.1

This section described how to integrate AWO related stuff to RZ MPU VLP v4.0.1.

1. Follow the procedure from the beginning of **2.2 Building Images** to **(3) Add layers of SMARC EVK of RZ/G3S Linux Start-up Guide**.
2. Download Multi-OS Feature Package (r01an8260ej0410-rz-multi-os-pkg.zip) to your working directory and run the commands stated below:

```
$ cd ~/rzg_vlp_<pkg ver>
$ unzip <Multi-OS download dir>/r01an8260ej0410-rz-multi-os-pkg.zip
$ tar zxvf r01an8260ej0410-rz-multi-os-pkg/meta-rz-features_multi-os_v4.1.0.tar.gz
```

3. Uncomment the following line in **meta-rz-features/meta-rz-multi-os/meta-rzg/meta-rzg3s/meta-rzg3s-vlp4/conf/layer.conf** for enabling AWO support:

```
#MACHINE_FEATURES:append = " RZ_REMOTEPROC"
MACHINE_FEATURES:append = " RZ_CM33_FIRMWARE_LOAD"
#MACHINE_FEATURES:append = " RZ_CM33_COLDBOOT"
MACHINE_FEATURES:append = " RZ_AWO_SUPPORT"
```

4. Add the layer for Multi-OS Package, simply run the helper script and select the **meta-rzg3s-vlp4** layer from the list.

```
$ cd build
$ bash ../meta-rz-features/meta-rz-multi-os/add_meta_layer.sh
```

5. Continue to set up VLP by following **(4) - (5) of 2.2 Building images in SMARC EVK of RZ/G3S Linux Start-up Guide**.

3.3 How to build AWO Example Project

Here is the procedure to build AWO Example Project:

1. Deploy and boot up Linux by following 3. Preparing the SD Card, 4. Reference Board Setting and 5. Booting and Running Linux of **SMARC EVK of RZ/G3S Linux Start-up Guide**.
2. Extract **freertos_w_awo_rzg3s_evk_example.zip** on your development PC.
3. Launch e² studio and click **File > Import**.

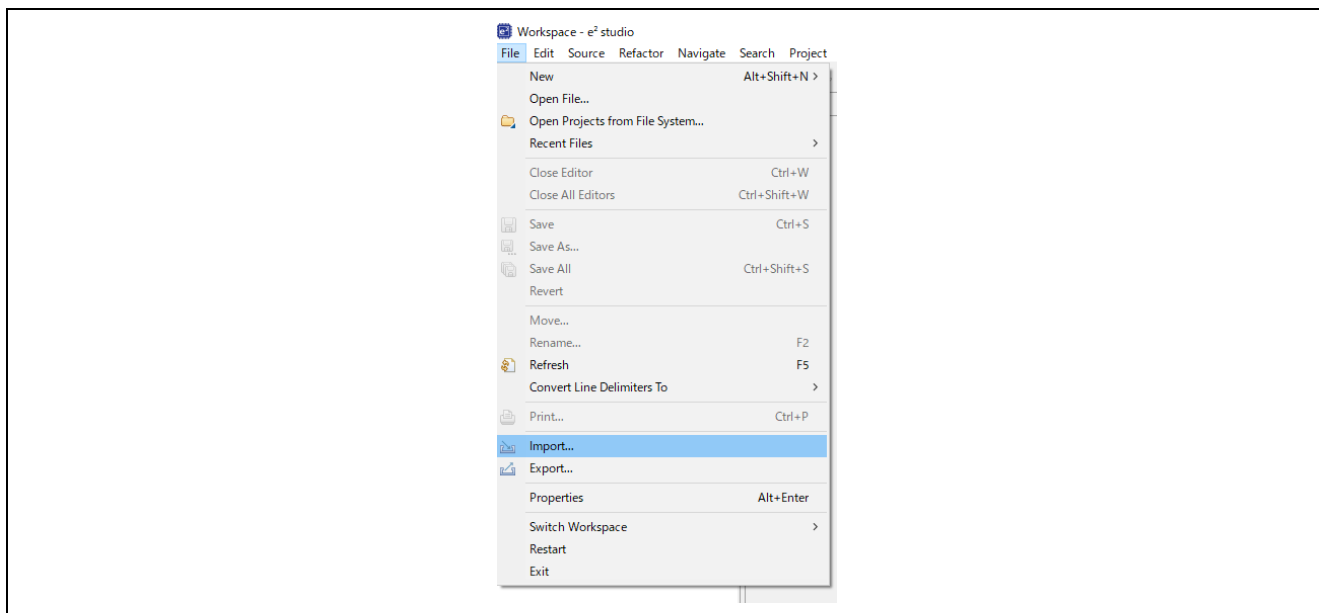


Figure 3.1 Import of CM33 AWO Example Project (1)

4. Select Existing Projects into Workspace and click Next >.

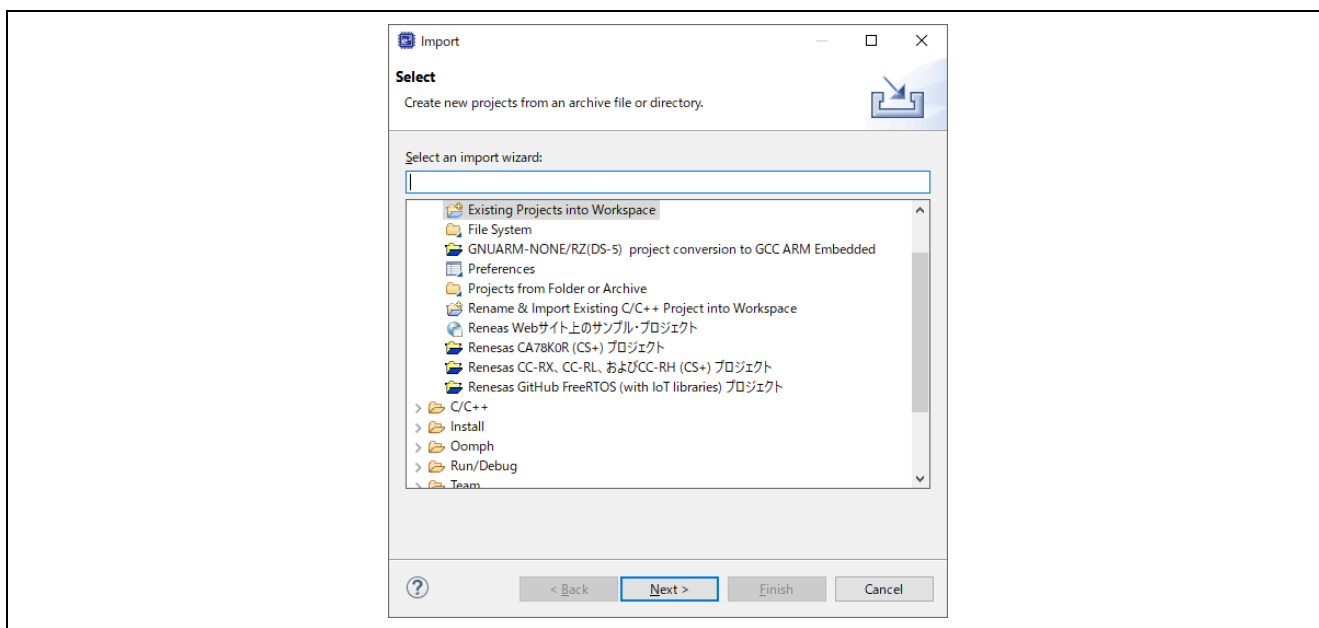


Figure 3.2 Import of CM33 AWO Example Project (2)

5. Input the path to the directory where **freertos_w_awo_rzg3s_evk_example** project was extracted and click **Finish**.

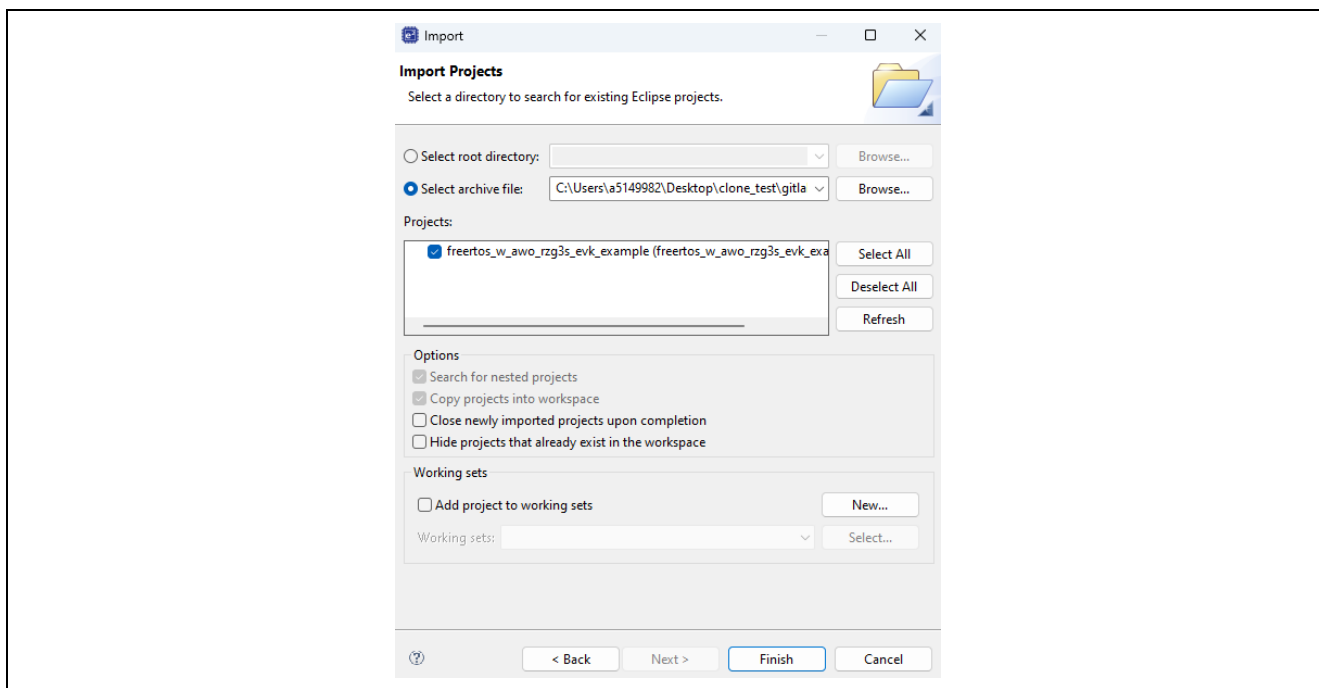


Figure 3.3 Import of CM33 AWO Example Project (3)

6. Build **freertos_w_awo_rzg3s_evk_example** project from **Project > Build All** or **Build Project**.

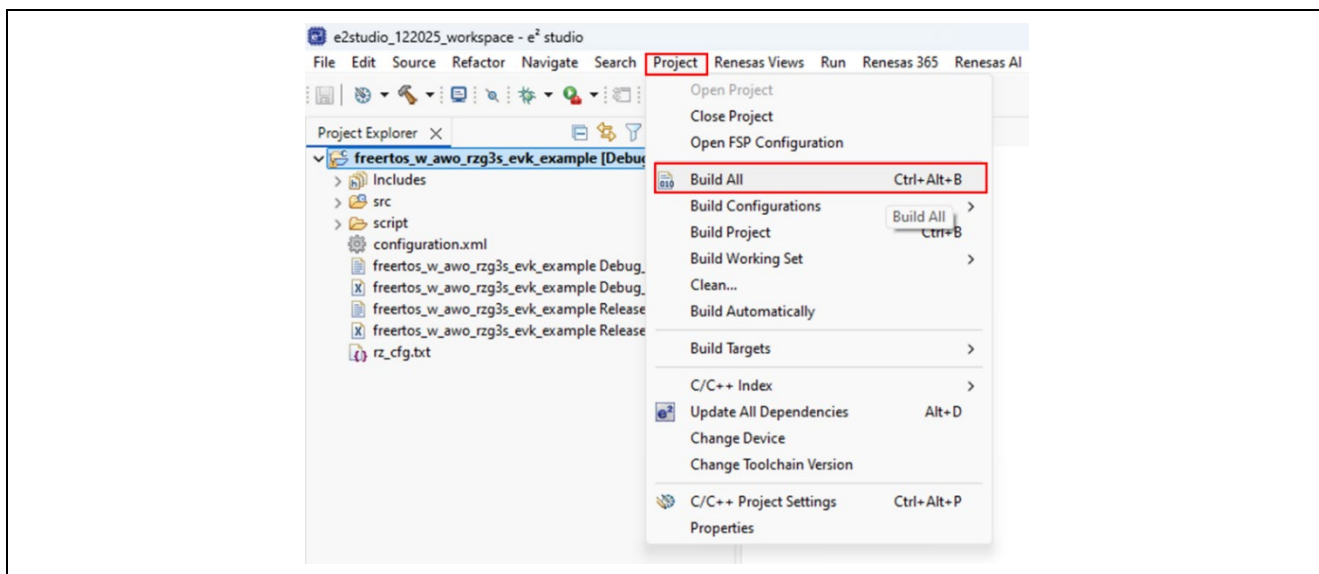


Figure 3.4 Build CM33 AWO Example Project

7. If the build is successfully completed, you can see the build artifact in **Debug** or **Release** directory as stated below:

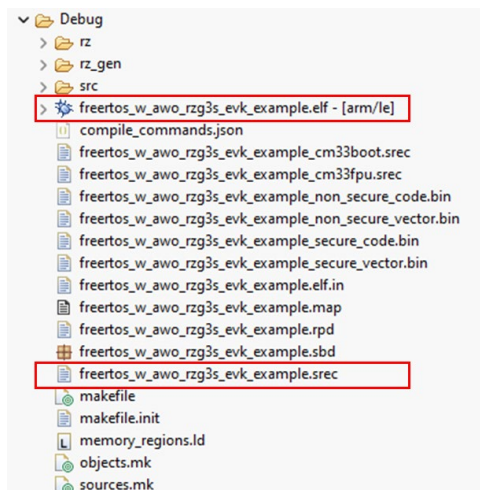


Figure 3.5 Build Artifact of CM33 AWO Example Project

3.4 How to deploy AWO Example Project

This section describes how to deploy the AWO example program built in the previous chapter to the board. To write to the SPI flash on the board, use the Flash Writer in the RZ/G VLP Linux package.

3.4.1 For QSPI boot (1.8V)

1. Follow the procedure from the beginning of **4 Reference Board Setting** to **4.4 Write the Bootloader of RZ/G3S Linux Start-up Guide**.
2. Program **freertos_w_awo_rzg3s_evk_example.srec** with Flash Writer as shown below:

```
> xls2
===== Qspi writing of RZ/G2 Board Command =====
Load Program to Spiflash
Writes to any of SPI address.
Program size & Qspi Save Address
===== Please Input Program Top Address =====
Please Input : H'80200000

===== Please Input Qspi Save Address ===
Please Input : H'200000
please send ! ( '.' & CR stop load)
Erase SPI Flash memory...
Erase Completed
Write to SPI Flash memory.
===== Qspi Save Information =====
SpiFlashMemory Stat Address : H'00200000
SpiFlashMemory End Address : H'0020D16E
=====
```

3. Continue to set up board by following **4.5 Change Back to Normal Boot Mode** in **SMARC EVK of RZ/G3S Linux Start-up Guide**.

3.4.2 For eMMC boot (1.8V)

1. Follow the procedure from the beginning of **8.2 How to boot from eMMC to Send the data of “fip-smarc-rzg3s.srec”** in **8.2.1 Writing Bootloader for eMMC Boot**.
2. Program **freertos_w_awo_rzg3s_evk_example.srec** with Flash Writer as shown below:

```
> EM_W
EM_W Start -----
-----
Please select,eMMC Partition Area.
0:User Partition Area   : 62160896 Kbytes
  eMMC Sector Cnt : H'0 - H'0768FFFF
1:Boot Partition 1      : 32256 Kbytes
  eMMC Sector Cnt : H'0 - H'0000FBFF
2:Boot Partition 2      : 32256 Kbytes
  eMMC Sector Cnt : H'0 - H'0000FBFF
-----
Select area(0-2)>1
-- Boot Partition 1 Program -----
Please Input Start Address in sector :1000
Please Input Program Start Address : 80200000
Work RAM (H'00020000-H'000FFFFFF) Clear....
please send ! ( '.' & CR stop load)
```

3. Continue to set up board by following **8.2.1 Writing Bootloader for eMMC Boot**.

4. AWO Example Program Invocation

This chapter describes how AWO Example Program works.

1. Boot up Linux kernel.
2. Login as **root**.

```
smarc-rzg3s login: root
```

3. Invoke the commands below on Linux console to move Linux to Suspend to RAM (S2R):

```
root@smarc-rzg3s:~# echo deep > /sys/power/mem_sleep
root@smarc-rzg3s:~# echo mem > /sys/power/state
```

4. When Linux successfully moves to S2R, you should see the following display on Linux console:

```
[ 1082.105386] PM: suspend entry (deep)
[ 1082.109183] Filesystems sync: 0.000 seconds
[ 1082.122622] Freezing user space processes ... (elapsed 0.001 seconds) done.
[ 1082.131266] OOM killer disabled.
[ 1082.134496] Freezing remaining freezable tasks ... (elapsed 0.001 seconds) done.
[ 1082.143134] printk: Suspending console(s) (use no_console_suspend to debug)
```

```
CM33:Init PMIC for AWO mode
CM33:AWO Mode
```

```
Hit any key to go to ALLON mode.
```

RZ/G3S now moves to AWO, and only CM33 AWO Example Project can work. (Note)

Note: On Linux console, Line Feed (LF) should be specified as New Line Code.

5. When typing any key on Linux Console, RZ/G3S starts to move to ALLON, and Linux should be resumed as shown below:

```
Hit any key to go to ALLON mode.
a
CM33:Set GreenPAKto ALLON
NOTICE: BL2: v2.7(release):2.7.0/g3s_1.0.0_rc4
NOTICE: BL2: Built : 11:52:53, Feb 292024
NOTICE: BL2: Booting BL31
[ 60.710450] ehci-platform 11e30100.usb: port 1 resume error -110
[ 60.836140] usbhub2-port1: device 2-1 not suspended yet
[ 60.880506] Disabling non-boot CPUs ...
[ 60.899495] Microchip KSZ9131 Gigabit PHY 11c30000.ethernet-ffffffff:07: attached PHY driver
[Microchip KSZ9131 Gigabit PHY] (mii_bus:phy_addr=11c30000.ethernet-ffffffff:07, irq=137)
[ 60.920867] Microchip KSZ9131 Gigabit PHY 11c40000.ethernet-ffffffff:07: attached PHY driver
[Microchip KSZ9131 Gigabit PHY] (mii_bus:phy_addr=11c40000.ethernet-ffffffff:07, irq=138)
[ 61.017924] usbhub3: root hub lost power or was reset
[ 61.018018] usbhub1: root hub lost power or was reset
[ 61.105918] usbhub4: root hub lost power or was reset
[ 61.106020] usbhub2: root hub lost power or was reset
[ 61.309991] OOM killer enabled.
[ 61.313131] Restarting tasks ...
[ 61.313647] usb2-1: USB disconnect, device number 2
[ 61.334271] done.
[ 61.352163] PM: suspend exit
[ 61.619922] usb2-1: new high-speed USB device number 3 using ehci-platform
[ 61.788714] hub 2-1:1.0: USB hub found
[ 61.798400] hub 2-1:1.0: 4 ports detected
root@smarc-rzg3s:~#
```

5. Sequence Diagram of AWO Example Project

5.1 Brief Sequence of AWO Example Project

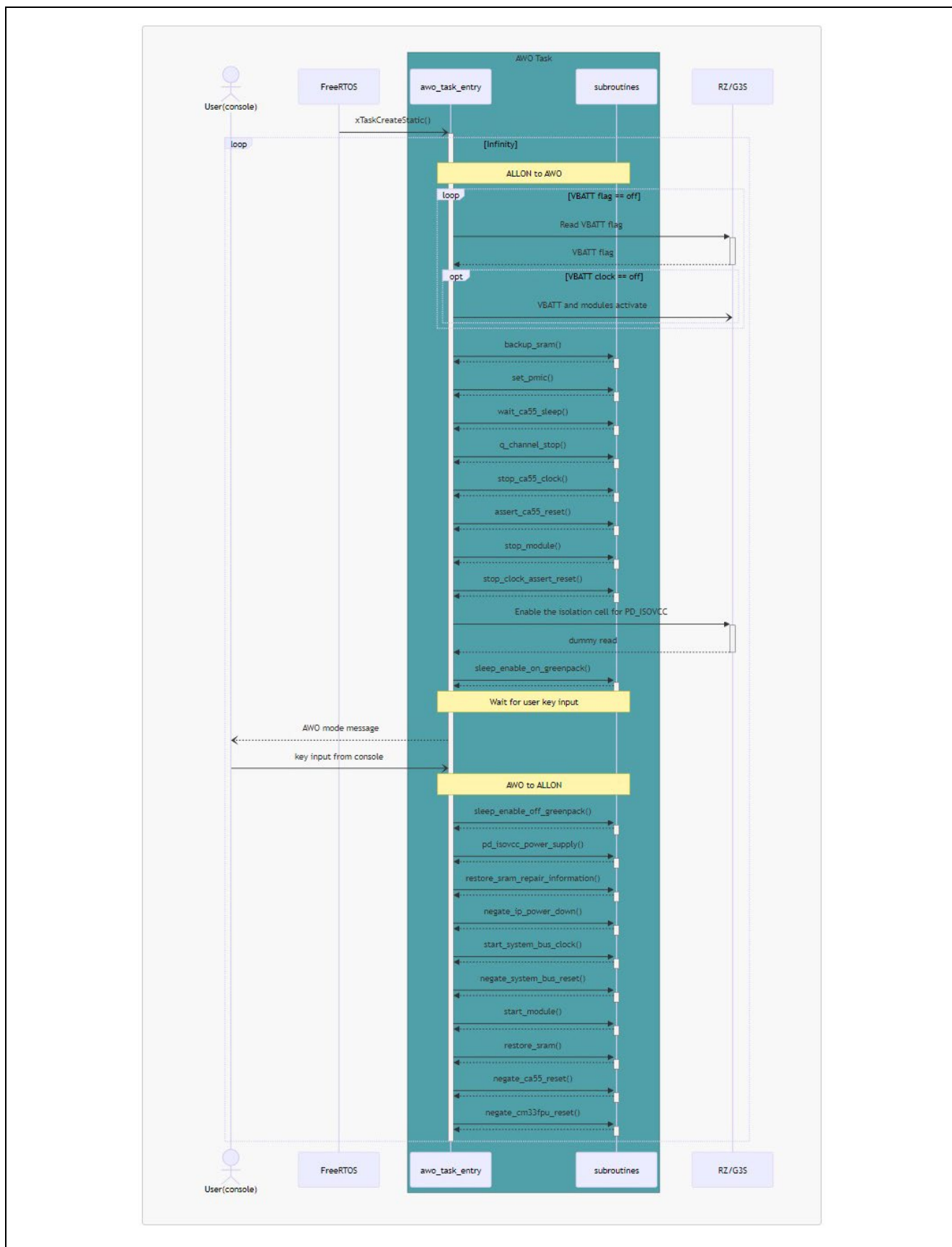


Figure 5.1 Brief Sequence of AWO Example Project

5.2 Suspend Sequence of TF-A

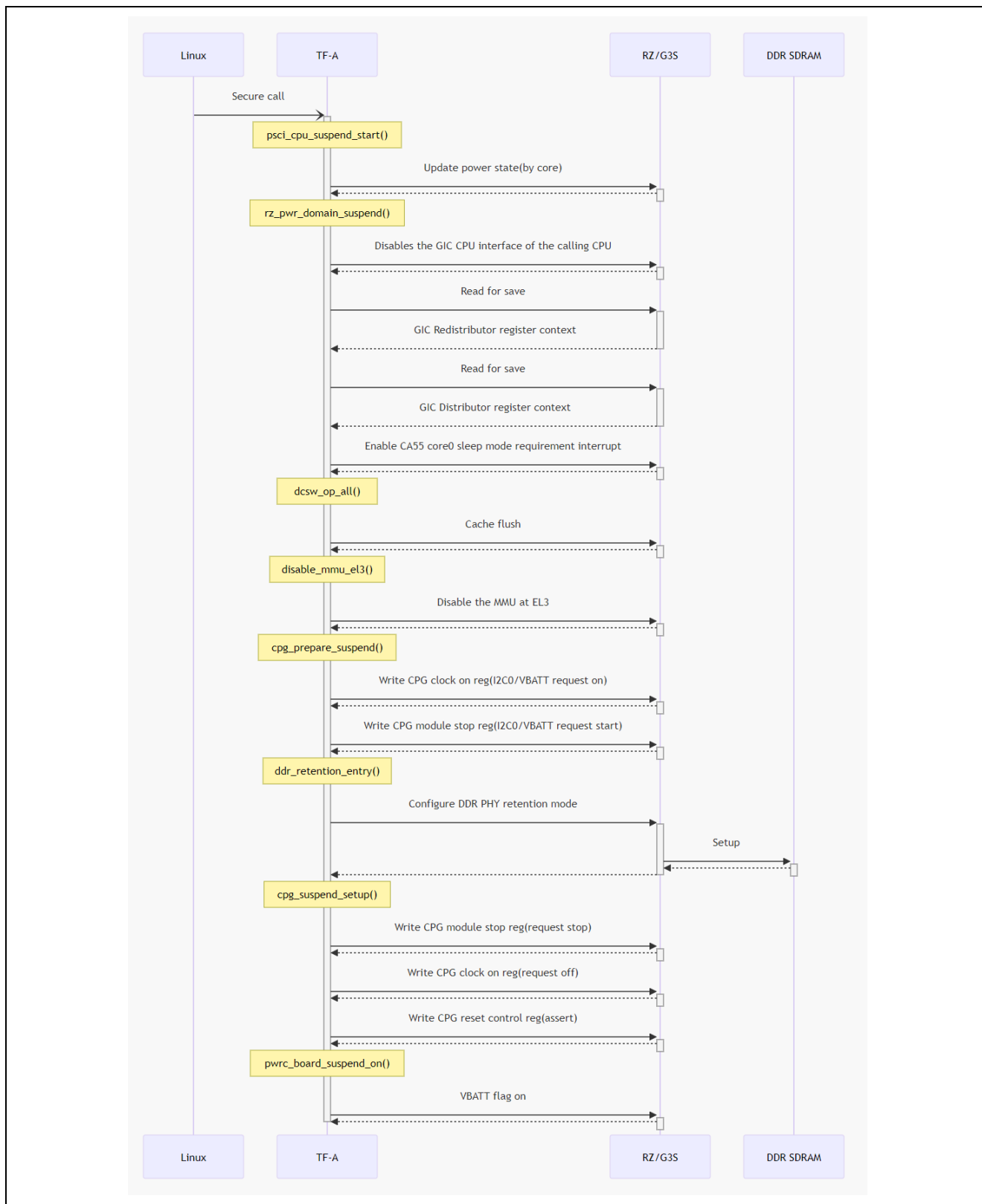


Figure 5.2 TF-A Suspend Sequence

5.3 Resume Sequence of TF-A

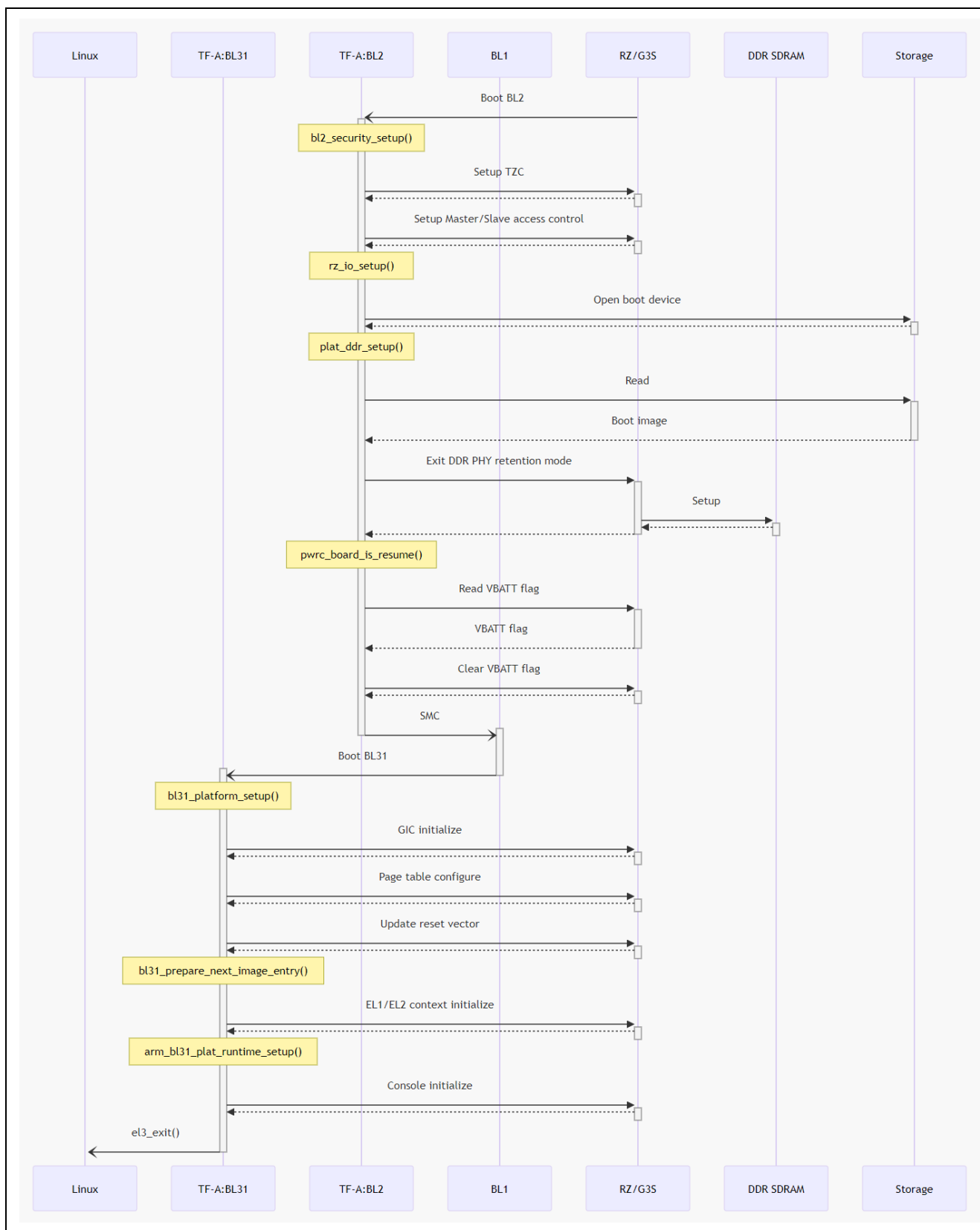


Figure 5.3 TF-A Suspend Sequence

6. Assignment of peripherals for AWO mode

On RZ/G3S, only the peripherals which belong to PD_VCC domain can continue to work under AWO mode. For details, please refer to 41. Low Power Consumption in RZ/G3S Group User's Manual. Table 6.1 shows the expected assignment of peripherals to CA55 and CM33 on this example project.

Table 6.1 Peripherals assignment on AWO Example Project

Peripherals	CPU		Remarks
	CA55	CM33	
ADC	X		
CANFD		X	
DMA (Non Secure)	X		
DMA (Secure)		X	
GPT	X		
I2C	X		
I3C	X		
MTU3	X		
POE	X		
POEG	X		
SCI	X		
SCIF	ch0, ch2-5	ch1	Assumed use case of SCIF ch1 on CM33 is to get Pmod USBUART to be worked for the console dedicated to CM33.
SPDIF	X		
RSPI	ch1-4	ch0	Assumed use case of RSPI ch0 on CM33 is to get Pmod SF3 to be worked on RZ/G3S Smarc EVK.
SSI	X		
TSU	X		
WDT	ch0	ch1, ch2	
GTM	ch4-7	ch0-3	
xSPI	X		

7. Function Reference of AWO Example Project

7.1.1 awo_task_entry

```
void awo_task_entry (void *pvParameters)
```

- **Parameters**

- pvParameters
Pointer to the parameter passed to AWO task.

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

This function is the entry function of AWO task.

Here is the overview of processing flow:

1. Set up timer.
2. Wait until Arm® Cortex®-A55 (hereinafter referred to as CA55) Linux enters Suspend-to-RAM.
3. Configure RZ/G3S and PMIC as AWO.
4. Wait until key input to console is issued.
5. Configure RZ/G3S and PMIC as ALLON.
6. Return to 2.

7.1.2 backup_sram

```
static void backup_sram(uint32_t *sys_ca55_cfg_rval_back,  
                        uint32_t *sys_ca55_cfg_rvah_back)
```

- **Parameters**

- sys_ca55_cfg_rval_back
Pointer to the buffer where lower 32-bit of reset vector base address is stored.
- sys_ca55_cfg_rvah_back
Pointer to the buffer where upper 32-bit of reset vector base address is stored.

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

This function first copies the contents in SRAM ACPU0 to the dedicated area in SRAM MPU1. Then, CA55 reset vector address should be copied to the buffer specified by the parameters.

The reset vector base address will be restored when transiting from AWO to ALLON mode for the resume of CA55 Linux.

7.1.3 set_pmic

```
static void set_pmic(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Configure Power Management IC (PMIC) RAA215300A2GNP#HA3 mounted on RZ/G3S SMARC EVK specific to AWO mode.

7.1.4 wait_ca55_sleep

```
static void wait_ca55_sleep(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Issue the request to CA55 Linux to transit to sleep state and wait until the transition is completed.

7.1.5 q_channel_stop

```
static void q_channel_stop(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Stop clock supply to peripheral clock domain and bus bridge via Q-Channel.

7.1.6 stop_ca55_clock

```
static void stop_ca55_clock(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Stop the clock supply to CA55.

7.1.7 assert_ca55_reset

```
static void assert_ca55_reset(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Carry out reset assertion of CA55.

7.1.8 stop_module

```
static void stop_module(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Transit all the modules assigned to the registers listed below to Module Stop State:

- MSTOP Register ACPU (CPG_BUS_ACPU_MSTOP)
- MSTOP Register PERI_COM (CPG_BUS_PERI_COM_MSTOP)
- MSTOP Register PERI_DDR (CPG_BUS_PERI_DDR_MSTOP)
- MSTOP Register TZCDDR (CPG_BUS_TZCDDR_MSTOP)
- MSTOP Register MHU (CPG_MHU_MSTOP)
- Power Down MSTOP Register (CPG_PWRDN_MSTOP)

7.1.9 stop_clock_assert_reset

```
static void stop_clock_assert_reset(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Stop the clock supply assigned to the registers listed below:

- Clock Control Register AXI_ACPU_BUS (CPG_CLKON_AXI_ACPU_BUS)
- Clock Control Register AXI_COM_BUS (CPG_CLKON_AXI_COM_BUS)
- Clock Control Register PERI_COM (CPG_CLKON_PERI_COM)
- Clock Control Register PERI_DDR (CPG_CLKON_PERI_DDR)
- Clock Control Register AXI_TZCDDR (CPG_CLKON_AXI_TZCDDR)
- Clock Control Register Cortex-M33 (hereinafter referred to as CM33) (CPG_CLKON_CM33)
- Power Down IP Register 1 (CPG_PWRDN_IP1)
- Power Down IP Register 2 (CPG_PWRDN_IP2)

Configure the unit clock associated with the register below as Power Down mode:

- Power Down CLKON Register (CPG_PWRDN_CLKON)

Configure the reset pin associated with the register below as Power Down mode:

- Power Down RST Register (CPG_PWRDN_RST)

Assert the reset signal associated with the registers listed below:

- Reset Control Register AXI_ACPU_BUS (CPG_RST_AXI_ACPU_BUS)
- Reset Control Register AXI_COM_BUS (CPG_RST_AXI_COM_BUS)
- Reset Control Register PERI_COM (CPG_RST_PERI_COM)
- Reset Control Register AXI_TZCDDR (CPG_RST_AXI_TZCDDR)

Turn off the USB Region Power by configuring USB PWRRDY Register (SYS_USB_PWRRDY).

Assert PCI_ARESETN reset signal with SYS_PCIE_RST_RSM_B and wait until it's actually asserted by monitoring Reset Monitor Register PCI (CPG_RSTMON_PCI register).

7.1.10 sleep_enable_on_greenpack

```
static void sleep_enable_on_greenpack(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Configure Sleep Enable of GreePAK (SLG7RN46131) connected with RIIC ch1 as ON.

7.1.11 sleep_enable_off_greenpack

```
static void sleep_enable_off_greenpack(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Configure Sleep Enable of GreePAK (SLG7RN46131) connected with RIIC ch1 as OFF.

7.1.12 wait_pd_isovcc_stable

```
static void wait_pd_isovcc_stable(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Wait for the power supply for PD_ISOVC from PMIC. In the current sample program, 5 msec wait is inserted as an example. Then, DDR is turned on.

7.1.13 pd_isovcc_power_supply

```
static void pd_isovcc_power_supply(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Disable the isolation cell for PD_ISOVC.

7.1.14 restore_sram_repair_information

```
static void restore_sram_repair_information(void)
```

- **Parameters**
None
- **Returns**
None
- **Description**
Restore SRAM repair information.

7.1.15 negate_ip_power_down

```
static void negate_ip_power_down(void)
```

- **Parameters**
None
- **Returns**
None
- **Description**
Negate Power Down mode of IPs assigned to PD_ISOVCV region.

7.1.16 start_system_bus_clock

```
static void start_system_bus_clock(void)
```

- **Parameters**
None
- **Returns**
None
- **Description**
Start the clock supply to System Bus and Peripherals assigned to PD_ISOVCV region.

7.1.17 negate_system_bus_reset

```
static void negate_system_bus_reset(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Negate reset signal of System Bus and Peripherals assigned to PD_ISOVCV region.

7.1.18 start_module

```
static void start_module(void)
```

- **Parameters**

None

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Transmit Peripherals assigned to PD_ISOVCV from Module Stop State to Normal Operation state.

7.1.19 restore_sram

```
static void restore_sram(volatile uint32_t *dummy_read)
```

- **Parameters**

- **dummy_read**
Pointer to the buffer where SRAM ACPU0 data to be backed up by backup_sram function is stored.

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Restore SRAM ACPU0 data that was backed up by backup_sram function. Be sure to call this function after backup_sram is invoked. Otherwise, the data copied to SRAM_ACPU0 should be unpredictable.

7.1.20 negate_ca55_reset

```
static void negate_ca55_reset(uint32_t sys_ca55_cfg_rval_back,  
                             uint32_t sys_ca55_cfg_rvah_back)
```

- **Parameters**

- sys_ca55_cfg_rval_back
Lower 32-bit of reset vector address to be backed up by backup_sram function.
- sys_ca55_cfg_rvah_back
Upper 32-bit of reset vector address to be backed up by backup_sram function.

- **Returns**

None

- **Description**

Start the clock supply to CA55 and then carry out the reset release of CA55.

8. Appendix

8.1 Debugging CM33 AWO Example Project from e2studio

This chapter describes how to debug an AWO example project from e2studio.

If you want to debug from e2studio, you need to rebuild TF-A. Follow the steps below to recreate the TF-A.

1. If you build RZ/G VLP v3.0.7, at Step 3 of “**3.2.1 RZ/G VLP Setup**”

Uncomment only the following line in **meta-rz-features/meta-rz-multi-os/meta-rzg/meta-rzg3s/meta-rzg3s-vlp3/conf/layer.conf** for enabling AWO support:

```
#MACHINE_FEATURES_append = " RZ_REMOTEPROC"
#MACHINE_FEATURES_append = " RZ_CM33_FIRMWARE_LOAD"
#MACHINE_FEATURES_append = " RZ_CM33_COLDBOOT"
MACHINE_FEATURES_append = " RZ_AWO_SUPPORT"
```

If you build RZ MPU VLP v4.0.1, at Step 3 of “**3.2.2 RZ/G VLP Setup**”

Uncomment only the following line in **meta-rz-features/meta-rz-multi-os/meta-rzg/meta-rzg3s/meta-rzg3s-vlp4/conf/layer.conf** for enabling AWO support:

```
#MACHINE_FEATURES:append = " RZ_REMOTEPROC"
#MACHINE_FEATURES:append = " RZ_CM33_FIRMWARE_LOAD"
#MACHINE_FEATURES:append = " RZ_CM33_COLDBOOT"
MACHINE_FEATURES:append = " RZ_AWO_SUPPORT"
```

2. Write the rebuilt TF-A to the board according to **3.4 How to deploy AWO Example Project**.

Once you have completed the above preparations, open the AWO project in e2studio and start debugging by following the steps:

1. Configure the debugger for **freertos_w_awo_rzg3s_evk_example** project from **Run > Debug Configurations...**

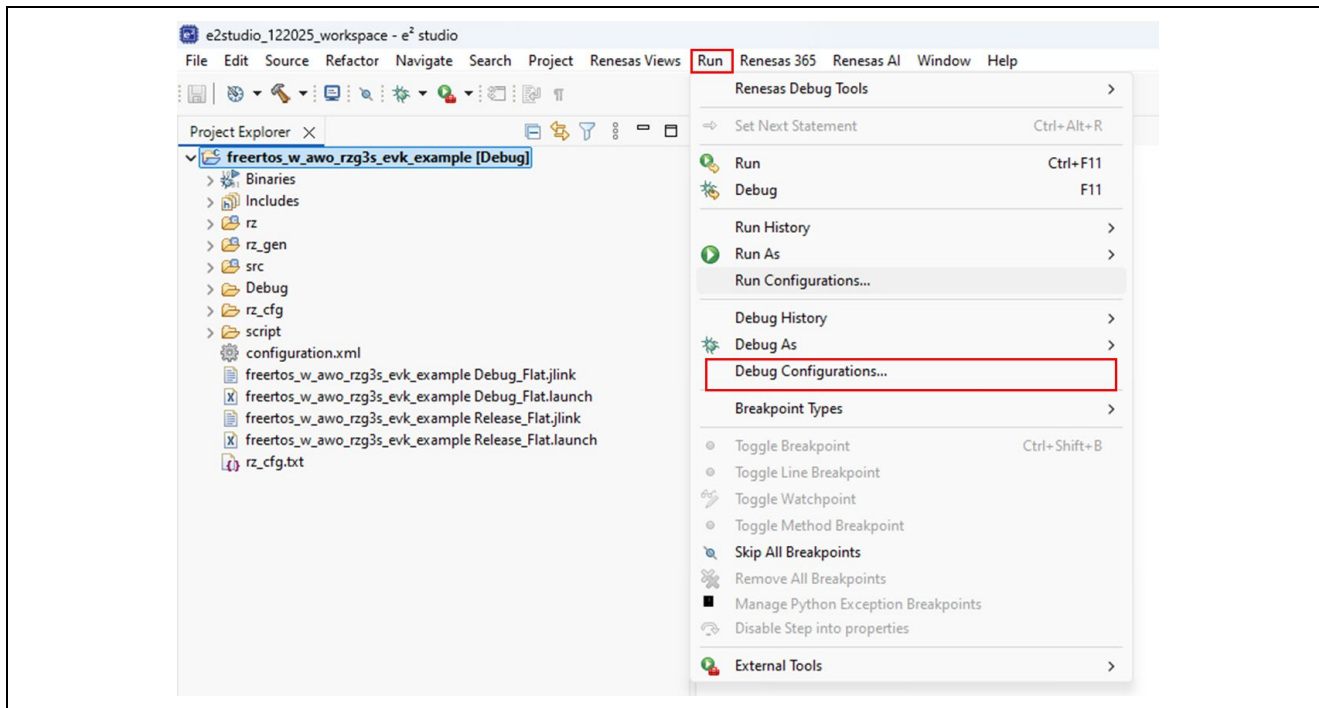


Figure 8.1 Debug Configuration of CM33 AWO Example Project (1)

2. Extract **Renesas DGB Hardware Debugging**, choose **freertos_w_awo_rzg3s_evk_example Debug_Flat** or **Release_Flat** and click **Debug**.

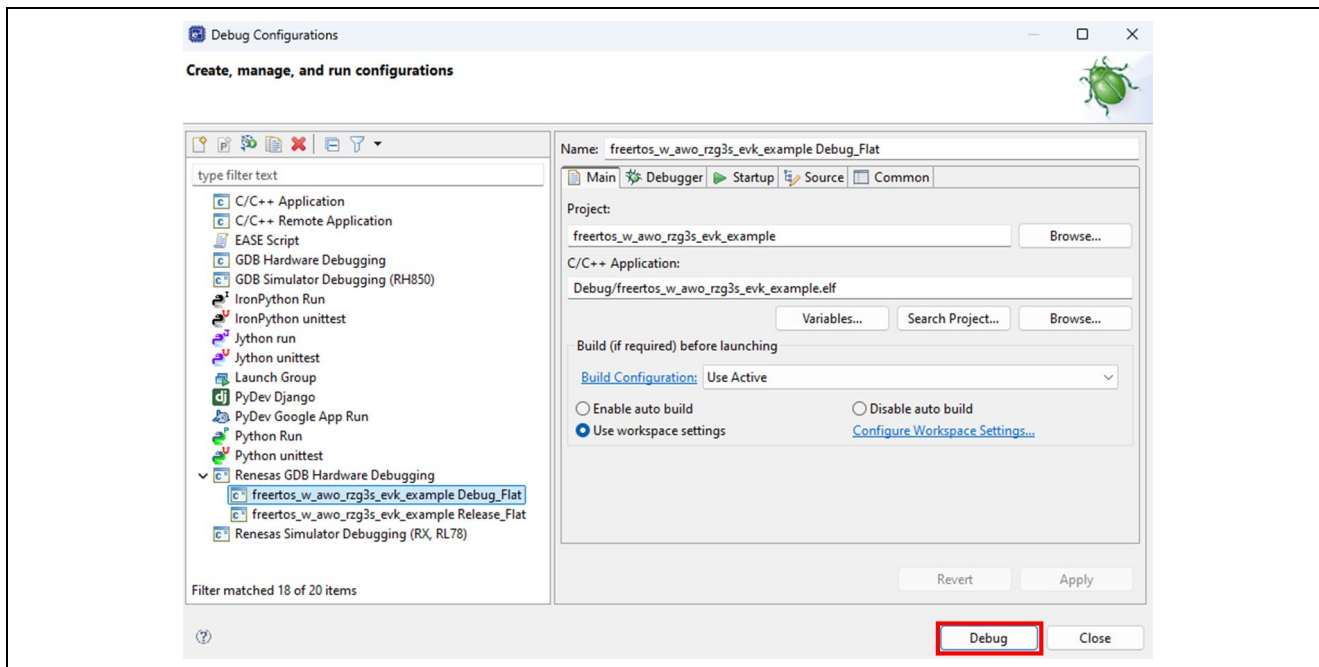


Figure 8.2 Debug Configuration of CM33 AWO Example Project (2)

- Now the load module of CM33 AWO Example Project has been loaded and Program Counter (PC) should indicate the top of **Entry_Function_S** function. Then, click **Run > Run** to continue the invocation.

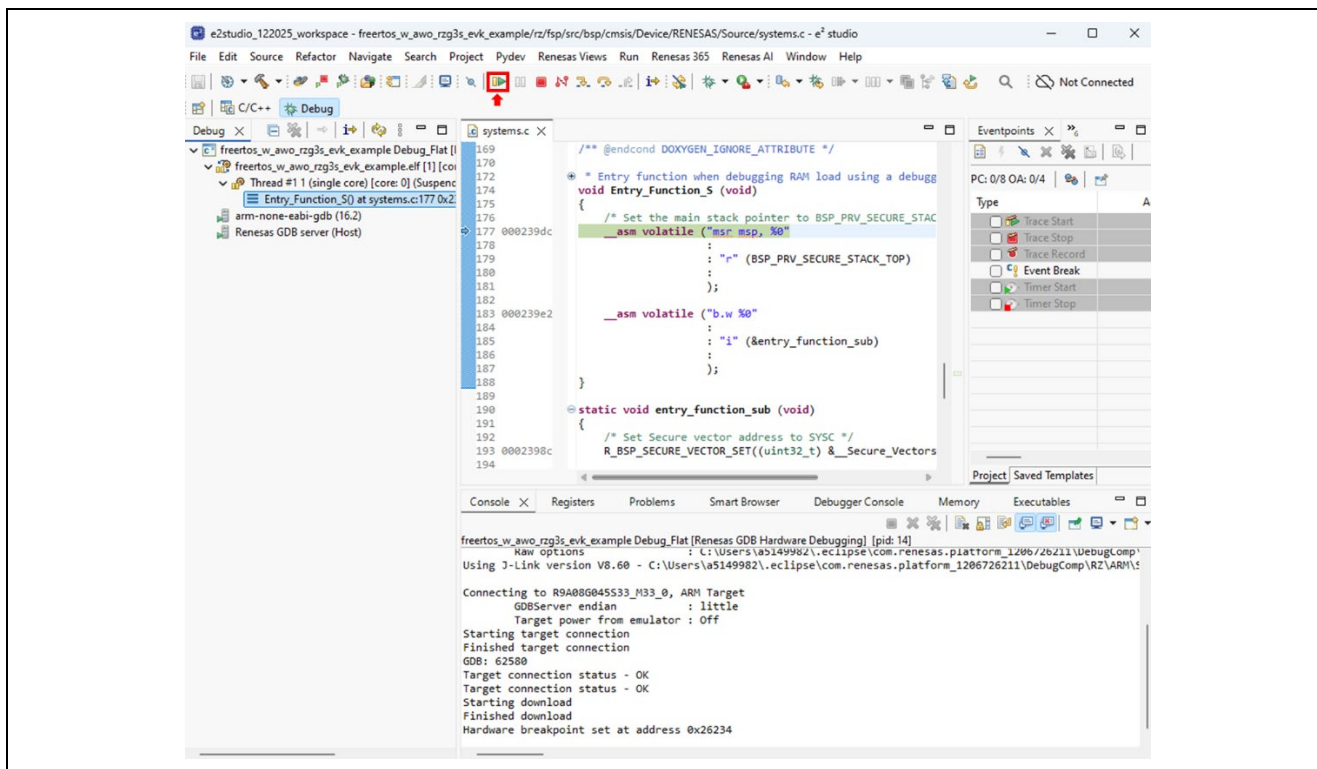


Figure 8.3 Run CM33 AWO Example Project (1)

- Program should stop at the top of main function. Click Run > Run again to continue. Now, CM33 AWO Example Program should be working.
- Log in to Linux as **root** user.

8.2 Restrictions

This AWO Example environment has the following restrictions regarding the boot mode.

- CM33 coldboot is not supported. Use this environment with CA55 coldboot.
- eSD boot is not supported.

Revision History

Rev.	Date	Description	
		Page	Summary
1.00	Jul.31.24	-	1st revision issued.
1.01	Sep.30.24	3	Updated the deliverables stated in Table 1-1.
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		3-10	Added a process to apply RZ/G Multi-OS Package to the setup procedure.
		26	Added boot mode restriction.
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