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1 Introduction

This document applies for all Olimex-made boards with Allwinner A20 chip and EEPROM memory. The EEPROM memory blocks eight (8) I2C addresses from 0x50 to 0x57; consider that when using the same I2C/TWI line for other peripherals.

2 Memory layout

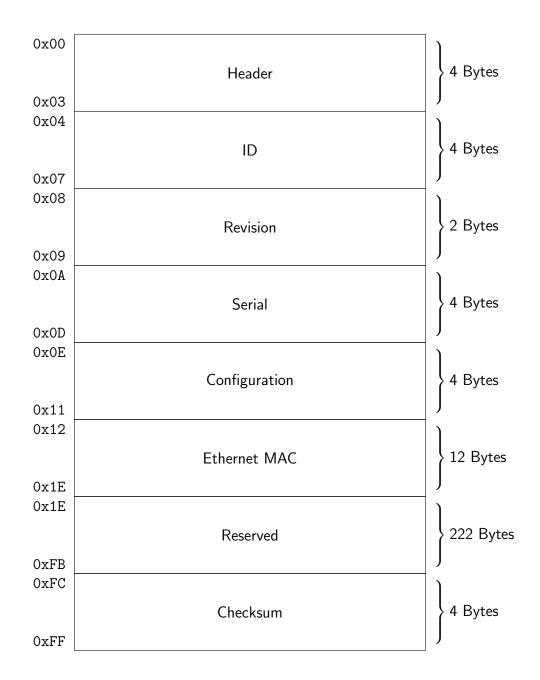
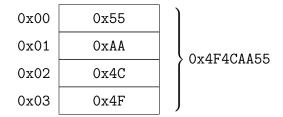


Figure 1: Memory layout schematic

2.1 Header

Header is 4 bytes long. It marks the beginning of configuration page. It is hard-coded and always should be the same.



2.2 ID

ID field is 4 bytes long. Value is stored as unsigned int. Board ID is unique.

2.3 Revision

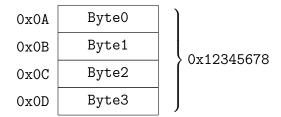
This section is 2 bytes long. It stores board revision number in ASCII code: C, J1, etc.

Where:

- **Major** General revision of the board, when there are big changes. For example: A, B, C, etc.
- **Minor** When PCB is the same, but some values differ resistors, capacitors, etc. If not used should be *00h*.

2.4 Serial

Serial number is hold as hexadecimal unsigned long int. It's sequential number.



2.5 Configuration

This section is 4 bytes long. Here is stored board configuration - *NAND*, *eMMC*, etc.

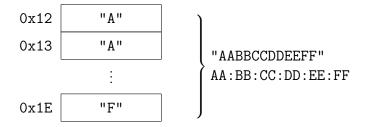
Where:

- **Storage** Describes if there is external storage chip.
- **Size** Capacity of the device. Usable only if "Storage" is different from 0xFF.
- RAM RAM capacity.
- Grade Board grade.

2.6 Ethernet MAC

The thernet MAC address is stored as ASCII chars in 12 bytes. Each board is given unique MAC address, related to the unique ID.

Important: The EEPROM memories of A20-SOM boards are an exceptions, since A20-SOM has no Ethernet chip on-board! These A20-SOM EEP-ROM memories are not loaded with valid Ethernet MAC addresses, but just FFFFFFFFFF.



3 Codes

Code	Description
0x00	Default value. No external storage
0x45	eMMC chip.
0x4E	NAND chip.
0x53	SPI flash

Table 1: Storage configuration codes

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Table 2: Size configuration codes

Code	Description
00	RAM is 1B.
01	RAM is 2B.
10	RAM is 1KB.
20	RAM is 1MB.
30	RAM is 1GB.

Table 3: RAM configuration codes

Ox00 Commercial grade. Ox01 Industrial grade.

Table 4: Grade configuration codes

4 Revision

• Rev.A - 2 May 2017

- Initial release
- Rev.B 1 September 2017
 - Reworked layout
- Rev.C 7 December 2017
 - Add Ethernet MAC node
- Rev.D 9 October 2019
 - Update description