

Project Overview

This project implements a firmware application for the ESP32 Dev Kit that downloads a file via HTTPS from a public URL and writes it to SPIFFS (SPI Flash File System) with a target speed of at least 400KBps. Implemented error handling (storage limits and timeouts) features.

Features and Functionality

- **Dynamic configuration:** Wi-Fi configuration via WiFiManager library or can hard coded.
- **SPIFFS operations**
 - Write
 - Read
 - Delete
 - Append
 - Format SPIFFS
- **Download file**
 - Buffer allocation for faster reading and writing to file
 - Speed optimized to be at least 400kbps (download + write)
 - Logs download time and speed of files
- **Error handling**
 - Automatically connect to Wi-Fi, if failed opens access point to configure new credentials if needed.
 - **Time out** : Sets a timeout to prevent hanging of https requests
 - **Storage limits** : Checks the SPIFFS storage before downloading or writing to file.

Hardware Requirements

- ESP32
- Internet connection

Code implementation

```
6    // #include <WiFi.h>
7    #include <WiFiManager.h>
8    #include <FS.h>
9    #include <SPIFFS.h>
10   #include <HttpClient.h>
11
```

Include the necessary header files

```

12     #define BUFFER_SIZE  2048        // adjust as needed
13
14     WiFiManager wifimanager;
15
16     String filename;
17

```

Define the buffer size for download of file

Create an object for the class WiFiManager

Declare a global string for filename

```

18     bool isNum(String input);
19     void PrintCommands();
20     void ListFiles();
21     void WriteFile();
22     void ReadFile();
23     void AppendFile();
24     void DeleteFile();
25     void FormatSPIFFS();
26     void DownloadFile();
27

```

Function Declarations

```

27
28     void setup()
29     {
30         Serial.begin(115200);
31
32         // for dynamic configuring of wifi ssid and password
33         wifimanager.autoconnect("ESP32_WiFi_Config");
34
35         // // for hard coding the wifi ssid and password
36         // WiFi.mode(WIFI_STA);
37         // WiFi.begin("LENOVO laptop", "08!0g5Y7");           // start wifi connection
38         // Serial.println("Connecting...");
39
40         // while(WiFi.status() != WL_CONNECTED)               // wait till the wifi is connected
41         // {
42         //     Serial.print(".");
43         //     delay(500);
44         // }
45
46         if(SPIFFS.begin(true))                                // Mounting SPIFFS
47             Serial.println("SPIFFS Mounted successfully");
48         else
49         {
50             Serial.println("SPIFFS Mount Failed");
51             return;
52         }
53         PrintCommands();
54     }
55

```

Runs once.

Initialize the serial communication

The function wifimanager.autoConnect("ESP32_WiFi_Config"); connects to saved wifi network, if unable to connect it creates an access point with hotspot named ESP32_WiFi_Config.

SPIFFS.begin(true) mounts the SPIFFS and if fails to mount it formats the SPIFFS and then mounts the new file system.

```
55
56 void loop()
57 {
58     if(Serial.available())                // Perform operation only when user enters choice
59     {
60         String input = Serial.readStringUntil('\n');    // reads user input from serial monitor
61         input.trim();                                // remove white spaces
62
63         if(isNum(input))
64         {
65             uint8_t choice = input.toInt();            // converting string to int for switch case
66
67             Serial.println("Enter filename");
68
69             while(!Serial.available());                // wait for the user to enter the content
70             filename = Serial.readStringUntil('\n');    // read the user input from serial monitor
71             filename.trim();
72
73             filename = "/" + filename;                // adding '/' to filename to give path and store all files in root folder
74
75             switch(choice)
76             {
77                 case 1:
78                     ListFiles();
79                     break;
80
81                 case 2:
82                     WriteFile();
83                     break;
84
85                 case 3:
86                     ReadFile();
87                     break;
88
89                 case 4:
90                     AppendFile();
91                     break;
92
93                 case 5:
94                     DeleteFile();
95                     break;
96
97                 case 6:
98                     FormatSPIFFS();
99                     break;
100
101                 case 7:
102                     DownloadFile();
103                     break;
104
105                 default:
106                     Serial.println("Invalid choice");
107                     PrintCommands();
108                     break;
109             }
110         }
111     }
112 }
113
```

Checks if there is any input from the user

Store the input in a string and remove the trailing and leading white spaces

Checks if the input is a number and then converts the string into integer.

Wait for the user to enter the filename and add a '/' to the filename for storing all the files in root directory

based on the choice of the user the operation is performed

```
114 // check if string is a number or not
115 bool isNum(String input)
116 {
117     for(uint8_t i = 0; i < input.length(); i++)
118     {
119         if(!isdigit(input.charAt(i)))
120             return false;
121     }
122
123     return true;
124 }
125
```

This function checks the user input is a number or not, If yes it returns true, if not it returns false

```
126 void PrintCommands()
127 {
128     unsigned long totalSpace = SPIFFS.totalBytes();
129     unsigned long usedSpace = SPIFFS.usedBytes();
130     unsigned long freeSpace = totalSpace - usedSpace;
131
132     Serial.print("\n\n*****\n\n");
133     Serial.print("Total space (Bytes) : ");
134     Serial.println(totalSpace);
135     Serial.print("Used space (Bytes) : ");
136     Serial.println(usedSpace);
137     Serial.print("Free space (Bytes) : ");
138     Serial.println(freeSpace);
139
140
141     Serial.println("\nCommands (Enter the number of the command to be executed)");
142
143     Serial.println("1. List all files");
144     Serial.println("2. Write");
145     Serial.println("3. Read");
146     Serial.println("4. Append");
147     Serial.println("5. Delete");
148     Serial.println("6. Format SPIFFS");
149     Serial.println("7. Download file");
150
151 }
152
```

Prints the commands and available space in SPIFFS on the serial monitor

```

153 // listing all the available files in root folder
154 void ListFiles()
155 {
156     File root = SPIFFS.open("/");
157     File file = root.openNextFile();
158
159     while(file)
160     {
161         Serial.print("FILE : ");
162         Serial.print(file.name());
163         Serial.print("\t\t\tSIZE: ");
164         Serial.println(file.size());
165
166         file = root.openNextFile();
167     }
168
169     Serial.println("\n End");
170     PrintCommands();
171 }
172

```

Lists all the files in the root directory

```

173
174 void WriteFile()
175 {
176     File file = SPIFFS.open(filename, "w");           // open file in write mode
177
178     if(!file)
179     {
180         Serial.println("- failed to open file for writing");
181         return;
182     }
183
184     Serial.println("Enter contents:");
185
186     while(!Serial.available());                       // wait for the user to enter the content
187     String content = Serial.readStringUntil('\n');     // read the user input from serial monitor
188     // content.trim();                                // remove any leading or trailing white spaces
189
190     if(content.length() > (SPIFFS.totalBytes() - SPIFFS.usedBytes())) // for storage space available
191     {
192         Serial.println("Not enough space to write file");
193         PrintCommands();
194         return;
195     }
196
197     if(file.print(content))                            // write to file
198     {
199         Serial.println("File written successfully");
200     }
201     else
202     {
203         Serial.println("Failed to write file");
204     }
205
206     file.close();
207     PrintCommands();
208 }
209

```

Opens a file in write mode (creates it if not found). Takes input from user in the serial monitor, checks the size available in SPIFFS, if available writes the contents into the file, if not available returns without writing.

```

206
207 void ReadFile()
208 {
209     File file = SPIFFS.open(filename, "r");           // open file in read mode
210
211     Serial.println("File contents: \n");
212     while(file.available())
213     {
214         Serial.write(file.read());                    // read file contents and print on serial monitor
215     }
216
217     Serial.println("\nEnd of file");
218
219     file.close();
220     PrintCommands();
221 }
222

```


Opens the file in read mode and prints the contents of the file in the serial monitor

```
223
224 void AppendFile()
225 {
226     File file = SPIFFS.open(filename, "a");           // open file in append mode
227
228     if(!file)
229     {
230         Serial.println("- failed to open file for writing");
231         return;
232     }
233     Serial.println("Enter contents: ");
234
235     while(!Serial.available());                       // wait for the user to enter the content
236     String content = Serial.readStringUntil('\n');     // read the user input from serial monitor
237     // content.trim();                                 // remove any leading or trailing white spaces
238
239     if(content.length() > (SPIFFS.totalBytes() - SPIFFS.usedBytes()))
240     {
241         Serial.println("Not enough space to write file");
242         PrintCommands();
243         return;
244     }
245
246     if(file.print(content))
247         Serial.println("File written successfully");
248     else
249         Serial.println("Failed to write file");
250
251     file.close();
252     PrintCommands();
253 }
254
```

Opens a file in append mode (creates it if not found). Takes input from user in the serial monitor, checks the size available in SPIFFS, if available writes the contents into the file, if not available returns without writing.

```
256 void DeleteFile()
257 {
258     if(SPIFFS.remove(filename))
259         Serial.println("File deleted successfully");
260     else
261         Serial.println("Failed to delete file");
262
263     PrintCommands();
264 }
265
266 // erase all the data stored in SPIFFS
267 void FormatSPIFFS()
268 {
269     if(SPIFFS.format())
270         Serial.println("SPIFFS formatted successfully");
271     else
272         Serial.println("Failed to format SPIFFS");
273
274     PrintCommands();
275 }
276
```

Deletes a particular file whose name is entered by the user

FormatSPIFFS() erases all the data in file system and it like new completely blank.

```

277
278 void DownloadFile()
279 {
280     HTTPClient http;
281
282     Serial.println("Enter the URL of the file");
283
284     while(!Serial.available()); // wait for the user to enter the content
285     String fileurl = Serial.readStringUntil('\n'); // read the user input from serial monitor
286     fileurl.trim(); // remove any leading or trailing white spaces
287
288     http.begin(fileurl);
289
290     int httpCode = http.GET();
291
292     if(httpCode == HTTP_CODE_OK)
293     {
294         int filesize = http.getSize();
295         if(filesize > (SPIFFS.totalBytes() - SPIFFS.usedBytes())) // check for available storage space
296         {
297             Serial.println("Not Enough space to download file");
298             PrintCommands();
299             return;
300         }
301
302         Serial.printf("Downloading file (%d Bytes)", filesize);
303
304         File file = SPIFFS.open(filename, "w");
305         if(!file)
306         {
307             Serial.println("- failed to open file for writing");
308             PrintCommands();
309             return;
310         }
311         File log = SPIFFS.open("/Logs", "a");
312         if(!log)
313         {
314             Serial.println("- failed to open log file for writing");
315             PrintCommands();
316             return;
317         }
318
319         http.setTimeout(100000); // setting timeout to 100 sec
320
321         WiFiClient *stream = http.getStreamPtr();
322
323         uint8_t buffer[BUFFER_SIZE]; // buffer to store chunks of file
324         int downloaded_data_size = 0;
325         float endtime;
326         String logs = "\n\nStarted Downloading " + filename + " at " + String(millis()) + " ms \n";
327         log.println(logs);
328         float starttime = millis(); // start of download and write time measurement
329
330         while(downloaded_data_size < filesize)
331         {
332             int available_data_size = stream -> available();
333
334             if(available_data_size > 0) // loop until data is available
335             {
336                 int readSize = (available_data_size > BUFFER_SIZE) ? BUFFER_SIZE : available_data_size; // setting readsize to max of buffer size
337
338                 stream -> readBytes(buffer, readSize); // read data from stream and store into buffer
339
340                 file.write(buffer, readSize); // read data from buffer and store into file
341
342                 logs = String(millis()) + " ms : " + readSize + " Bytes written ";
343                 log.println(logs);
344
345                 downloaded_data_size += readSize;
346             }
347         }

```

```

348     endtime = millis();                // end of download and write time measurement
349     file.close();
350
351     logs = "\n\nCompleted downloading " + filename + " at " + String(endtime) + " ms";
352     log.println(logs);
353
354     float downloadSpeed = (filesize / ((endtime - starttime) / 1000)) / 1024;
355
356     Serial.println("\n\nSuccessfully downloaded file");
357     Serial.printf("\nDownload speed = %.2f KBps (Kilo Bytes per sec) ; %.2f Kbps (Kilo bits per sec", downloadSpeed, downloadSpeed*8);
358
359     logs = "Download speed = " + String(downloadSpeed) + " KBps (Kilo Bytes per sec)";
360     log.println(logs);
361     logs = "\n\n*****";
362     log.println(logs);
363
364     log.close();
365
366     PrintCommands();
367 }
368 else
369 {
370     Serial.printf("Error downloading file : %d", httpCode);
371     PrintCommands();
372     return;
373 }
374 }
375

```

Create an object for HTTPClient.

Waits for the user to enter the public URL from which the file is to be downloaded.

Connects to public URL and makes a GET request to download the file, if the http response is 200 it gets the size of the file and checks the space available in SPIFFS.

Creates a file with the name specified by the user and also a log file to log the download data and download speed.

Set a timeout of 100sec.

Define a pointer of WiFiClient to keep track of available data. Create a buffer to read and write data to file.

Read the data and write it to file and also log the data into Log file and at the end the download speed is printed on the serial monitor as well as logged in LOGS file.

Flashing

1. Connect the ESP32 to PC
2. Open Arduino IDE and setup the IDE for ESP board.
3. Click Upload in the upper left corner and wait for the code to get uploaded.

Output

Click on the serial monitor in the upper right corner. Push the EN button on the ESP32 and you should see a similar output on the serial monitor.

```

t 2
*wm:AutoConnect
*wm:Connecting to SAVED AP: LENOVO laptop
*wm:connectTimeout not set, ESP waitForConnectResult...
*wm:AutoConnect: SUCCESS
*wm:STA IP Address: 192.168.137.162
SPIFFS Mounted successfully

*****

Total space (Bytes) : 1318001
Used space (Bytes) : 0
Free space (Bytes) : 1318001

Commands (Enter the number of the command to be executed)
1. List all files
2. Write
3. Read
4. Append
5. Delete
6. Format SPIFFS
7. Download file

```

Enter the number of the command to be executed. Enter the file name and follow the onscreen instructions if any.

```

*****

Total space (Bytes) : 1318001
Used space (Bytes) : 1004
Free space (Bytes) : 1316997

Commands (Enter the number of the command to be executed)
1. List all files
2. Write
3. Read
4. Append
5. Delete
6. Format SPIFFS
7. Download file
→ 2 ← Input from the user
Enter filename
→ new data
Enter contents:
→ Hello World of ESP32 Firmware development
File written successfully

```

Performing operations:

1. Write

```
*****

Total space (Bytes) : 1318001
Used space (Bytes) : 1004
Free space (Bytes) : 1316997

Commands (Enter the number of the command to be executed)
1. List all files
2. Write
3. Read
4. Append
5. Delete
6. Format SPIFFS
7. Download file
→ 2
Enter filename
→ new data
Enter contents:
→ Hello World of ESP32 Firmware development
File written successfully
```

Enter the number of the command '2' in the serial monitor.

Enter the filename you want to write/create.

Enter the contents you want to write to a file, and press enter.

2. Read

```
Total space (Bytes) : 1318001
Used space (Bytes) : 12048
Free space (Bytes) : 1305953

Commands (Enter the number of the command to be executed)
1. List all files
2. Write
3. Read
4. Append
5. Delete
6. Format SPIFFS
7. Download file
→ 3
Enter filename
→ Logs
File contents:

Started Downloading /data at 845917 ms

845930 ms : 1371 Bytes written
845948 ms : 1371 Bytes written
845966 ms : 1371 Bytes written
845983 ms : 1371 Bytes written
846018 ms : 1371 Bytes written
846036 ms : 1371 Bytes written
846056 ms : 1371 Bytes written
846067 ms : 307 Bytes written

Completed downloading /data at 846068.00 ms
Download speed = 64.05 KBps (Kilo Bytes per sec)

*****

End of file
```

Enter the command number '3' in the serial monitor.

Enter the filename you want to read, the contents of the file will be printed onto the serial monitor.

3.List Files

```
Total space (Bytes) : 1318001
Used space (Bytes) : 12048
Free space (Bytes) : 1305953

Commands (Enter the number of the command to be executed)
1. List all files
2. Write
3. Read
4. Append
5. Delete
6. Format SPIFFS
7. Download file
→ 1
Enter filename
→ any character
FILE : data          SIZE: 9904
FILE : Logs          SIZE: 484
FILE : new ile       SIZE: 27
FILE : header file   SIZE: 36

End
```

Enter the number of the command '1'.

Enter any character and all the files with their size in bytes will be listed on the serial monitor.

4.Delete File

```
*****

Total space (Bytes) : 1318001
Used space (Bytes) : 1506
Free space (Bytes) : 1316495

Commands (Enter the number of the command to be executed)
1. List all files
2. Write
3. Read
4. Append
5. Delete
6. Format SPIFFS
7. Download file
→ 5
Enter filename
→ data file
File deleted successfully
```

Enter the number of the command '5'.

Enter the name of the file to deleted.

5.Format SPIFFS

```
*****

Total space (Bytes) : 1318001
Used space (Bytes) : 1004
Free space (Bytes) : 1316997

Commands (Enter the number of the command to be executed)
1. List all files
2. Write
3. Read
4. Append
5. Delete
6. Format SPIFFS
7. Download file
→ 6
Enter filename
→ any character
SPIFFS formatted successfully
```

Enter the number of the command '6'.

Enter any character and the SPIFFS will be formatted

6.Download File

```
*****

Total space (Bytes) : 1318001
Used space (Bytes) : 0
Free space (Bytes) : 1318001

Commands (Enter the number of the command to be executed)
1. List all files
2. Write
3. Read
4. Append
5. Delete
6. Format SPIFFS
7. Download file
→ 7
Enter filename
→ data
Enter the URL of the file
→ https://raw.githubusercontent.com/darshanrathod9/SPIFFS/refs/heads/main/src/Recruit_at_VEGG.ino?token=GHSAT0AAAAAC7C5HDUGSOJX4C6ASGR52PSZ6ZCVGA
Downloading file (9904 Bytes)

Successfully downloaded file

Download speed = 64.05 KBps (Kilo Bytes per sec) ; 512.42 Kbps (Kilo bits per sec)

*****
```

Enter the number of the command '7'.

Enter the name of the file in which the data will be written

Enter the public URL from where the file will be downloaded.

After downloading the file the download speed will be printed on serial monitor and logged in Logs file.

7.Read logs

```
Total space (Bytes) : 1318001
Used space (Bytes) : 12048
Free space (Bytes) : 1305953

Commands (Enter the number of the command to be executed)
1. List all files
2. Write
3. Read
4. Append
5. Delete
6. Format SPIFFS
7. Download file
→ 3
Enter filename
→ Logs
File contents:
```

```
Started Downloading /data at 845917 ms
```

```
845930 ms : 1371 Bytes written
845948 ms : 1371 Bytes written
845966 ms : 1371 Bytes written
845983 ms : 1371 Bytes written
846018 ms : 1371 Bytes written
846036 ms : 1371 Bytes written
846056 ms : 1371 Bytes written
846067 ms : 307 Bytes written
```

```
Completed downloading /data at 846068.00 ms
Download speed = 64.05 KBps (Kilo Bytes per sec)
```

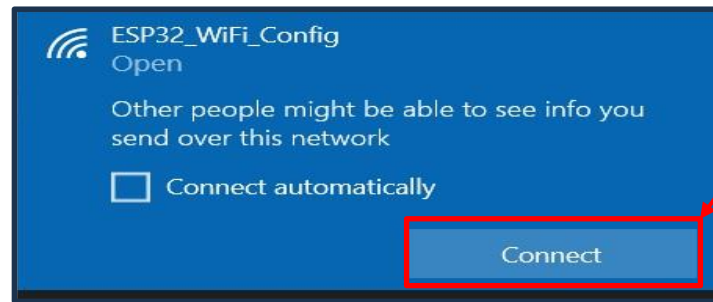
```
*****
End of file
```

Enter the command number '3' in the serial monitor.

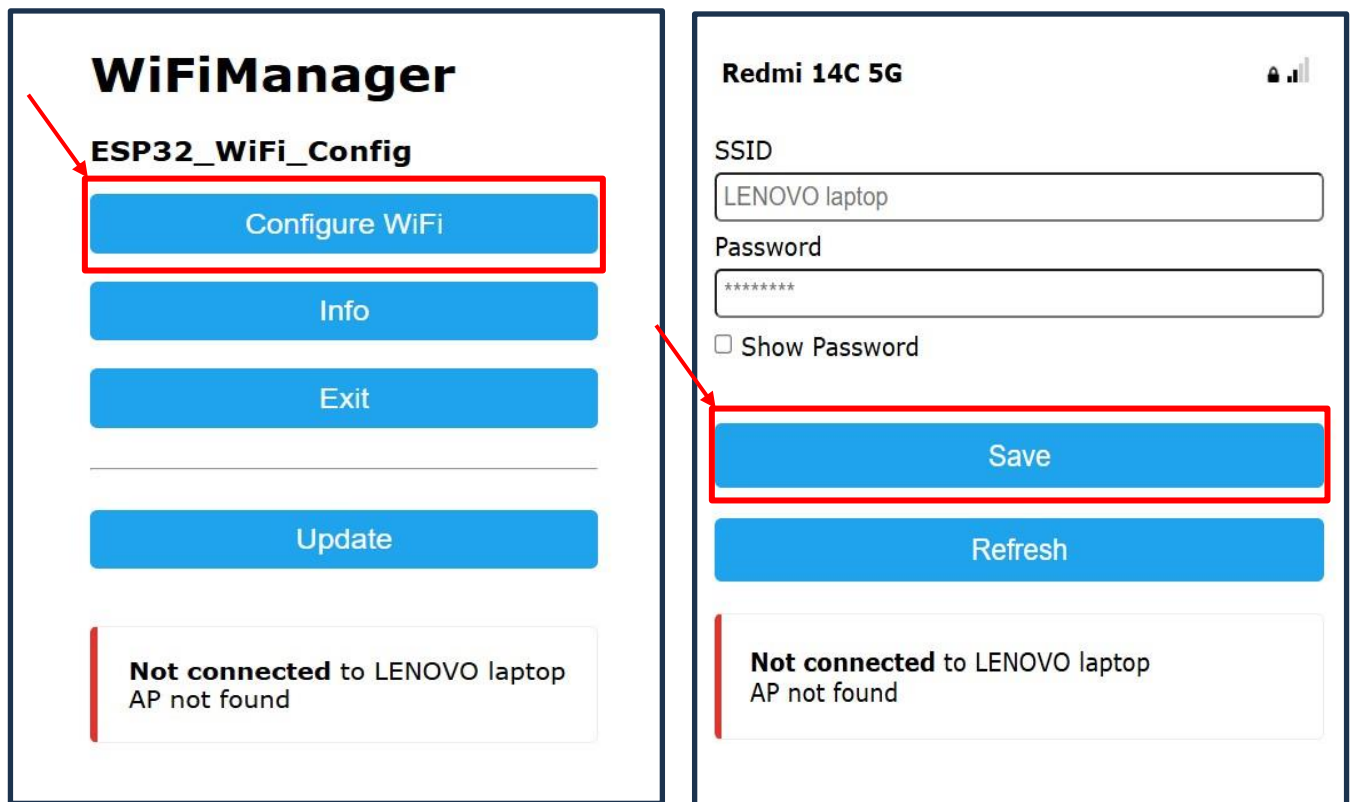
Enter "Logs" in serial monitor, the contents of the file will be printed onto the serial monitor.

WiFi Configuration via WiFi manager library

Connect to the hotspot named “ESP32_WiFi_Config”



The wifi config window will open automatically, if it does not open enter “192.168.4.1” in the browser.



Click on “Configure WiFi” and then enter the wifi credentials and save it.