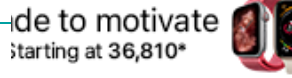




## ESP8266 Internal EEPROM Programming

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In this tutorial we will see writing data to EEPROM and reading from **EEPROM**. **ESP8266** have 512 bytes of internal EEPROM, it is useful when you want to store some settings, such as IP address of server, MAC key, SSID of WiFi. **We also discuss on writing string into EEPROM and reading it.**

To write byte to EEPROM we need two commands

```
1 EEPROM.write(addr, data);
2 EEPROM.commit();
```

To read single byte from EEPROM

```
1 char Data;
2 Data = EEPROM.read(addr);
```

We have only read and write bytes commands, for writing String, Integer and other data types we have to split data into bytes first and rejoin it while reading.

### Write data to EEPROM

We write some characters and String to EEPROM, This program only writes data to EEPROM we read it using another program. Bytes ABC are stored at address 0x00,0x01,0x02 respectively and string is stored from 0x0F.

Remember that ESP requires **EEPROM.commit();** command. Without this data will not be saved to **EEPROM**.

```
1 /*
2  * EEPROM Write
3  *
4  * Stores values and string to EEPROM.
5  * These values and string will stay in the EEPROM when the board is
6  * turned off and may be retrieved later by another sketch.
7  */
8
9 #include <EEPROM.h>
10
11 // the current address in the EEPROM (i.e. which byte
12 // we're going to write to next)
13 int addr = 0;
14
15 void setup()
16 {
17   EEPROM.begin(512); //Initialize EEPROM
```

```

18
19 // write appropriate byte of the EEPROM.
20 // these values will remain there when the board is
21 // turned off.
22
23 EEPROM.write(addr, 'A'); //Write character A
24 addr++; //Increment address
25 EEPROM.write(addr, 'B'); //Write character A
26 addr++; //Increment address
27 EEPROM.write(addr, 'C'); //Write character A
28
29 //Write string to eeprom
30 String www = "www.circuits4you.com";
31 for(int i=0;i<www.length();i++) //loop upto string lenght www.lengt
32 {
33     EEPROM.write(0x0F+i,www[i]); //Write one by one with starting add
34 }
35 EEPROM.commit(); //Store data to EEPROM
36 }
37
38 void loop()
39 -{
40     //We dont have anything in loop as EEPROM writing is done only once
41     delay(10);
42 }

```

## Read data from EEPROM

Now let's **read data from EEPROM** and show it on serial monitor. You can combine these two programs as per your need.

String is array of characters.

```

1 /*
2  * EEPROM Read
3  * Circuits4you.com
4  */
5
6 #include <EEPROM.h>
7
8 // the current address in the EEPROM (i.e. which byte
9 // we're going to read from)
10 int addr = 0;
11
12 void setup()
13 {
14     EEPROM.begin(512); //Initialize EEPROM
15     Serial.begin(9600); //Serial communication to display data
16     // read appropriate byte of the EEPROM.
17     Serial.println(""); //Goto next line, as ESP sends some garbage whe
18     Serial.print(char(EEPROM.read(addr))); //Read from address 0x00
19     addr++; //Increment address
20     Serial.print(char(EEPROM.read(addr))); //Read from address 0x01
21     addr++; //Increment address
22     Serial.println(char(EEPROM.read(addr))); //Read from address 0x0
23
24     //Read string from eeprom
25     String www;
26     //Here we dont know how many bytes to read it is better practice to
27     //Lets do it manually www.circuits4you.com total length is 20 char
28     for(int i=0;i<20;i++)
29     {
30         www = www + char(EEPROM.read(0x0F+i)); //Read one by one with sta
31     }
32
33     Serial.print(www); //Print the text on serial monitor
34 }
35
36 void loop()

```

```
37 {  
38   //We dont have anything in loop as EEPROM reading is done only once  
39   delay(10);  
40 }
```

## Results

You will see what we have written to the EEPROM will appear on Serial terminal. ESP always sends some garbage to serial monitor when you reset it, skip first line.

For example we have taken how to write String and read String from EEPROM, we need to use `EEPROM.write()` to write data many times in ESP8266.

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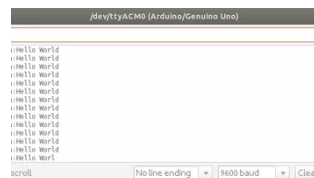


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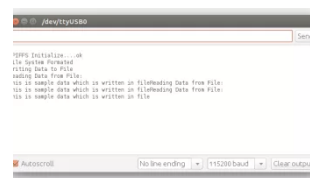
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