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To save a JSON file with data on your local Windows PC when a button is clicked, you can use HTML +
JavaScript (no backend needed). Here's a working example:
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Example: Save JSON File on Button Click

html

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<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
  <title>Save JSON to File</title>
</head>
  <button onclick="downloadJSON()">Save JSON</button>
  <script>
    function downloadJSON() {
     // 1. Your JSON data
     const data = {
       age: 18,
      };
     // 2. Convert to JSON string
     const jsonString = JSON.stringify(data, null, 2);
     // 3. Create a Blob with the JSON
     const blob = new Blob([jsonString], { type: "application/json" });
     // 4. Create a download link
     const link = document.createElement("a");
     link.href = URL.createObjectURL(blob);
     link.download = "data.json"; // filename
     // 5. Trigger the download
     document.body.appendChild(link);
     link.click();
     // 6. Clean up
      document.body.removeChild(link);
  </script>
</body>
</html>
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Customize
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**3.** Click the button — it will save data.json to your **Downloads folder**.

1. Save the code as an .html file (e.g., save-json.html)

### You can modify: The data object to hold your actual content. • The file name by changing link.download = "data.json".

Would you like this built with a no-code tool like **Bubble**, **Glide**, or **Thunkable** instead? 

In pc user appdata location If you want to save a JSON file specifically to a user's AppData folder on a Windows PC, here's what you

Windows AppData Folder Overview

Each user has an AppData folder located at:

need to know:

makefile

How to Use

2. Open it in any browser.

C:\Users\<Username>\AppData\ It has 3 subfolders: • Local

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    LocalLow

    Roaming

Example full path:
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makefile C:\Users\Santosh\AppData\Roaming\

# Key Note Browsers (like Chrome, Edge, Firefox) DO NOT allow writing files directly to system locations like AppData

To save directly into AppData , you must use:

Sample Electron Code:

const fs = require('fs');

const os = require('os');

// Ensure folder exists

# Ensure directory exists

with open(save\_path, 'w') as f:

print("Saved to:", save\_path)

Option 3: PowerShell Script

For internal tools or automation:

json.dump(data, f, indent=2)

# Save JSON

powershell

\$data = @{

Conclusion

Browser / Web App

security reasons.

React Code Example

import React from "react";

function SaveJsonButton() { const handleSave = () => {

const data = {

age: 18,

};

student: true,

link.href = url;

link.click();

};

**Summary** 

Platform

ReactJS (Web)

React + Electron

1. ReactJS (in browser):

But you have two partial options:

const saveData = () => {

Option A: Save to JSON File (Write only)

const data = { name: "Santosh", age: 18 }; const json = JSON.stringify(data, null, 2);

Option B: Let User Upload a File (Read)

const handleFileUpload = (event) => { const file = event.target.files[0]; const reader = new FileReader();

const json = JSON.parse(e.target.result);

console.log("JSON content:", json);

Electron + React: Full Read/Write Example

const { app, BrowserWindow, ipcMain } = require("electron");

reader.onload = (e) => {

reader.readAsText(file);

main.js (Electron backend)

const fs = require("fs");

const path = require("path");

const blob = new Blob([json], { type: "application/json" });

<input type="file" accept=".json" onChange={handleFileUpload} />

security.

jsx

};

};

js

});

ipcMain.handle("read-json", async () => { const appData = process.env.APPDATA;

const raw = fs.readFileSync(filePath);

if (fs.existsSync(filePath)) {

return JSON.parse(raw);

const handleSave = async () => {

alert("Saved to: " + path);

const data = { name: "Santosh", status: "Writing to AppData" };

const path = await window.electronAPI.saveJson(data);

} else {

jsx

};

React + Electron

Yes

const filePath = path.join(appData, "MyApp", "data.json");

link.download = "data.json";

URL.revokeObjectURL(url);

const link = document.createElement("a");

return <button onClick={handleSave}>Save JSON</button>;

You can only:

**Use Case** 

os.makedirs(os.path.dirname(save\_path), exist\_ok=True)

const path = require('path');

const data = { name: "Santosh", age: 18 };

js

 $\downarrow$ Option 1: Electron.js App (or any desktop app) If you're building a desktop application, use Node.js (via Electron) to write to AppData.

for security reasons. You can only trigger file downloads (usually to the Downloads folder).

### // Get AppData path const appDataPath = process.env.APPDATA || path.join(os.homedir(), 'AppData', 'Roaming'); const filePath = path.join(appDataPath, 'myapp', 'data.json');

fs.mkdirSync(path.dirname(filePath), { recursive: true });

// Save JSON file fs.writeFileSync(filePath, JSON.stringify(data, null, 2)); console.log("File saved at:", filePath); Option 2: Python Script  $\downarrow$ If you want to save to AppData using Python: python import os import json data = {"name": "Santosh", "age": 18} # Get AppData path appdata = os.getenv('APPDATA') # e.g., C:\Users\Santosh\AppData\Roaming save\_path = os.path.join(appdata, 'MyApp', 'data.json')

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#### name = "Santosh" age = 18 } | ConvertTo-Json -Depth 3

\$path = "\$env:APPDATA\MyApp\data.json"

Write-Output "Saved to \$path"

\$data | Out-File -FilePath \$path -Encoding UTF8

New-Item -ItemType Directory -Path (Split-Path \$path) -Force

Desktop App (JS) Electron / Node.js Script / Automation ✓ Python / PowerShell X Not possible directly No-code tools like Glide Let me know your platform (web, Python, Electron, etc., and I can tailor the code for that. 日 B P O V L S Using reactis

No, a ReactJS app (running in the browser) cannot write files directly to system folders like AppData for

Method

X Cannot write to AppData

# Option A: ReactJS (Browser) — Save JSON to Download Folder Here's how to save a JSON file from a React app to the user's download folder:

BUT if you're building a React + Electron app (desktop), you can save to AppData.

If you're building a **ReactJS app**, here's what you need to know:

Can You Save to AppData from ReactJS?

Trigger downloads to the default Downloads folder.

Save data to browser storage (e.g., localStorage, IndexedDB).

const json = JSON.stringify(data, null, 2); const blob = new Blob([json], { type: "application/json" }); const url = URL.createObjectURL(blob);

export default SaveJsonButton; This saves data.json to the **Downloads** folder. Option B: ReactJS + Electron — Save to AppData If you're using React with Electron (for desktop apps), you can save to AppData using Node.js APIs. Electron Main Process (main.js or preload.js): js const fs = require('fs'); const path = require('path'); const saveToAppData = (data) => { const appDataPath = process.env.APPDATA; const filePath = path.join(appDataPath, 'MyReactApp', 'data.json'); fs.mkdirSync(path.dirname(filePath), { recursive: true }); fs.writeFileSync(filePath, JSON.stringify(data, null, 2)); return filePath; }; Communicate with Electron from React (vi , °C): Use window.electron.ipcRenderer.send() in your React component to trigger saving from the main process.

If you want, I can give you a full working template for React + Electron that saves to AppData.

Would you like the **full Electron** + **React setup**? Or are you strictly working in a **web React app**?

Solution

Save to Downloads using <a> tag

Use Node.js fs API via Electron

Can Save to AppData?

× No

Yes

## Read and write to local machine json file To read and write a JSON file on your local machine using ReactJS, your exact setup determines what's possible.

const link = document.createElement("a"); link.href = URL.createObjectURL(blob); link.download = "data.json"; link.click(); };

You cannot directly read/write files on the user's filesystem (outside Downloads/upload) due to browser

This is limited: the user must click a button to download/save or upload/read. 2. React + Electron (Desktop App)

If you need full read/write access (like saving to AppData or a known local path), use Electron.

function createWindow() { const win = new BrowserWindow({ webPreferences: { preload: path.join(\_\_dirname, "preload.js"), }, }); win.loadURL("http://localhost:3000"); // or load your build } app.whenReady().then(createWindow); ipcMain.handle("save-json", async (event, data) => { const appData = process.env.APPDATA; const filePath = path.join(appData, "MyApp", "data.json"); fs.mkdirSync(path.dirname(filePath), { recursive: true }); fs.writeFileSync(filePath, JSON.stringify(data, null, 2)); return filePath;

return { error: "File not found" }; } }); preload.js js const { contextBridge, ipcRenderer } = require("electron"); contextBridge.exposeInMainWorld("electronAPI", { saveJson: (data) => ipcRenderer.invoke("save-json", data), readJson: () => ipcRenderer.invoke("read-json"), }); React Component (frontend)

const handleRead = async () => { const data = await window.electronAPI.readJson(); console.log("Read from file:", data); **}**; <button onClick={handleSave}>Save JSON</button> <button onClick={handleRead}>Read JSON</button> Summary Read/Write Files Directly? Setup Save Location Notes Downloads / Upload Limited by browser sandbox React (Web) X No (browser limited)

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Would you like a working Electron + React template project? I can generate a GitHub-like folder structure and starting code for you. 中ののののはは

Any local path

Use fs , IPC