#### esp8266 / Arduino



# Libraries

## WiFi(ESP8266WiFi library)

ESP8266WiFi library has been developed basing on ESP8266 SDK, using naming convention and overall functionality philosophy of the Arduino WiFi Shield library. Over time the wealth Wi-Fi features ported from ESP8266 SDK to this library outgrew the APIs of WiFi Shield library and it became apparent that we need to provide separate documentation on what is new and extra.

:doc: `ESP8266WiFi library documentation <esp8266wifi/readme> `.

#### **Ticker**

Library for calling functions repeatedly with a certain period. Two examples included.

It is currently not recommended to do blocking IO operations (network, serial, file) from Ticker callback functions. Instead, set a flag inside the ticker callback and check for that flag inside the loop function.

Here is library to simplificate Ticker usage and avoid WDT reset: TickerScheduler

### **EEPROM**

This is a bit different from standard EEPROM class. You need to call EEPROM.begin(size) before you start reading or writing, size being the number of bytes you want to use. Size can be anywhere between 4 and 4096 bytes.

EEPROM.write does not write to flash immediately, instead you must call EEPROM.commit() whenever you wish to save changes to flash. EEPROM.end() will also commit, and will release the RAM copy of EEPROM contents.

EEPROM library uses one sector of flash located just after the SPIFFS.

Three examples included.

# I2C (Wire library)

Wire library currently supports master mode up to approximately 450KHz. Before using I2C, pins for SDA and SCL need to be set by calling wire.begin(int sda, int scl), i.e. wire.begin(0, 2) on ESP-01, else they default to pins 4(SDA) and 5(SCL).

### **SPI**

SPI library supports the entire Arduino SPI API including transactions, including setting phase (CPHA). Setting the Clock polarity (CPOL) is not supported, yet (SPI\_MODE2 and SPI\_MODE3 not working).

The usual SPI pins are:

- MOSI = GPIO13
- MISO = GPIO12
- sclk = GPIO14

There's an extended mode where you can swap the normal pins to the SPIO hardware pins. This is enabled by calling SPI.pins(6, 7, 8, 0) before the call to SPI.begin(). The pins would change to:

- MOSI = SD1
- MISO = SDO
- SCLK = CLK
- HWCS = GPIO0

This mode shares the SPI pins with the controller that reads the program code from flash and is controlled by a hardware arbiter (the flash has always higher priority). For this mode the CS will be controlled by hardware as you can't handle the CS line with a GPIO, you never actually know when the arbiter is going to grant you access to the bus so you must let it handle CS automatically.

#### **SoftwareSerial**

An ESP8266 port of SoftwareSerial library done by Peter Lerup (@plerup) supports baud rate up to 115200 and multiples SoftwareSerial instances. See <a href="https://github.com/plerup/espsoftwareserial">https://github.com/plerup/espsoftwareserial</a> if you want to suggest an improvement or open an issue related to SoftwareSerial.

## **ESP-specific APIs**

Some ESP-specific APIs related to deep sleep, RTC and flash memories are available in the ESP object.

ESP.deepSleep(microseconds, mode) will put the chip into deep sleep. mode is one of WAKE\_RF\_DEFAULT, WAKE\_RFCAL, WAKE\_NO\_RFCAL, WAKE\_RF\_DISABLED. (GPIO16 needs to be tied to RST to wake from deepSleep.)

ESP.rtcUserMemoryWrite(offset, &data, sizeof(data)) and ESP.rtcUserMemoryRead(offset, &data, sizeof(data)) allow data to be stored in and retrieved from the RTC user memory of the chip respectively. Total size of RTC user memory is 512 bytes, so offset + sizeof(data) shouldn't exceed 512. Data should be 4-byte aligned. The stored data can be retained between deep sleep cycles. However, the data might be lost after power cycling the chip.

ESP.restart() restarts the CPU.

ESP.getResetReason() returns a String containing the last reset reason in human readable format.

ESP.getFreeHeap() returns the free heap size.

ESP.getChipId() returns the ESP8266 chip ID as a 32-bit integer.

ESP.getCoreVersion() returns a String containing the core version.

ESP.getSdkVersion() returns the SDK version as a char.

ESP.getCpuFreqMHz() returns the CPU frequency in MHz as an unsigned 8-bit integer.

ESP.getSketchSize() returns the size of the current sketch as an unsigned 32-bit integer.

ESP.getFreeSketchSpace() returns the free sketch space as an unsigned 32-bit integer.

ESP.getSketchMD5() returns a lowercase String containing the MD5 of the current sketch.

ESP.getFlashChipId() returns the flash chip ID as a 32-bit integer.

ESP.getFlashChipSize() returns the flash chip size, in bytes, as seen by the SDK (may be less than actual size).

ESP.getFlashChipRealSize() returns the real chip size, in bytes, based on the flash chip ID.

ESP.getFlashChipSpeed(void) returns the flash chip frequency, in Hz.

ESP.getCycleCount() returns the cpu instruction cycle count since start as an unsigned 32-bit. This is useful for accurate timing of very short actions like bit banging.

ESP.getVcc() may be used to measure supply voltage. ESP needs to reconfigure the ADC at startup in order for this feature to be available. Add the following line to the top of your sketch to use getVcc:

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ADC_MODE(ADC_VCC);
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TOUT pin has to be disconnected in this mode.

Note that by default ADC is configured to read from TOUT pin using analogRead(A0), and ESP.getVCC() is not available.

## mDNS and DNS-SD responder (ESP8266mDNS library)

Allows the sketch to respond to multicast DNS queries for domain names like "foo.local", and DNS-SD (service discovery) queries. See attached example for details.

## SSDP responder (ESP8266SSDP)

SSDP is another service discovery protocol, supported on Windows out of the box. See attached example for reference.

# **DNS server (DNSServer library)**

Implements a simple DNS server that can be used in both STA and AP modes. The DNS server currently supports only one domain (for all other domains it will reply with NXDOMAIN or custom status code). With it, clients can open a web server running on ESP8266 using a domain name, not an IP address.

#### Servo

This library exposes the ability to control RC (hobby) servo motors. It will support upto 24 servos on any available output pin. By defualt the first 12 servos will use Timer0 and currently this will not interfere with any other support. Servo counts above 12 will use Timer1 and features that use it will be effected. While many RC servo motors will accept the 3.3V IO data pin from a ESP8266, most will not be able to run off 3.3v and will require another power source that matches their specifications. Make sure to connect the grounds between the ESP8266 and the servo motor power supply.

### Other libraries (not included with the IDE)

Libraries that don't rely on low-level access to AVR registers should work well. Here are a few libraries that were verified to work:

- Adafruit\_ILI9341 Port of the Adafruit ILI9341 for the ESP8266
- arduinoVNC VNC Client for Arduino
- arduinoWebSockets WebSocket Server and Client compatible with ESP8266 (RFC6455)
- aREST REST API handler library.
- Blynk easy IoT framework for Makers (check out the Kickstarter page).
- DallasTemperature

- DHT-sensor-library Arduino library for the DHT11/DHT22 temperature and humidity sensors. Download latest v1.1.1 library and no changes are necessary. Older versions should initialize DHT as follows: DHT dht(DHTPIN, DHTTYPE, 15)
- DimSwitch Control electronic dimmable ballasts for fluorescent light tubes remotely as if using a wall switch.
- Encoder Arduino library for rotary encoders. Version 1.4 supports ESP8266.
- esp8266\_mdns mDNS queries and responses on esp8266. Or to describe it another way: An mDNS Client or Bonjour Client library for the esp8266.
- ESPAsyncTCP Asynchronous TCP Library for ESP8266 and ESP32/31B
- ESPAsyncWebServer Asynchronous Web Server Library for ESP8266 and ESP32/31B
- Homie for ESP8266 Arduino framework for ESP8266 implementing Homie, an MQTT convention for the IoT.
- NeoPixel Adafruit's NeoPixel library, now with support for the ESP8266 (use version 1.0.2 or higher from Arduino's library manager).
- NeoPixelBus Arduino NeoPixel library compatible with ESP8266. Use the "DmaDriven" or "UartDriven" branches for ESP8266. Includes HSL color support and more.
- PubSubClient MQTT library by @Imroy.
- RTC Arduino Library for Ds1307 & Ds3231 compatible with ESP8266.
- Souliss, Smart Home Framework for Smart Home based on Arduino, Android and openHAB.
- ST7735 Adafruit's ST7735 library modified to be compatible with ESP8266. Just make sure to modify the pins in the examples as they are still AVR specific.
- Task Arduino Nonpreemptive multitasking library. While similiar to the included Ticker library in the functionality provided, this library was meant for cross Arduino compatibility.
- TickerScheduler Library provides simple scheduler for Ticker to avoid WDT reset
- Teleinfo Generic French Power Meter library to read Teleinfo energy monitoring data such as consuption, contract, power, period, ... This library is cross platform, ESP8266, Arduino, Particle, and simple C++. French dedicated post on author's blog and all related information about Teleinfo also available.
- UTFT-ESP8266 UTFT display library with support for ESP8266. Only serial interface (SPI) displays are supported for now (no 8-bit parallel mode, etc). Also includes support for the hardware SPI controller of the ESP8266.
- WiFiManager WiFi Connection manager with web captive portal. If it can't connect, it starts AP mode and a configuration portal so you can choose and enter WiFi credentials.
- OneWire Library for Dallas/Maxim 1-Wire Chips.
- Adafruit-PCD8544-Nokia-5110-LCD-Library Port of the Adafruit PCD8544 library for the ESP8266.
- PCF8574\_ESP A very simplistic library for using the PCF857//PCF8574A I2C 8-pin GPIO-expander.
- Dot Matrix Display Library 2 Freetronics DMD & Generic 16 x 32 P10 style Dot Matrix Display Library
- SdFat-beta SD-card library with support for long filenames, software- and hardware-based SPI and lots more.
- FastLED a library for easily & efficiently controlling a wide variety of LED chipsets, like the Neopixel (WS2812B), DotStar, LPD8806 and many more. Includes fading, gradient, color conversion functions.
- OLED a library for controlling I2C connected OLED displays. Tested with 0.96 inch OLED graphics display.
- MFRC522 A library for using the Mifare RC522 RFID-tag reader/writer.
- Ping lets the ESP8266 ping a remote machine.
- · AsyncPing fully asynchronous Ping library (have full ping statistic and hardware MAC address).