# Adafruit DS1307 Library Documentation

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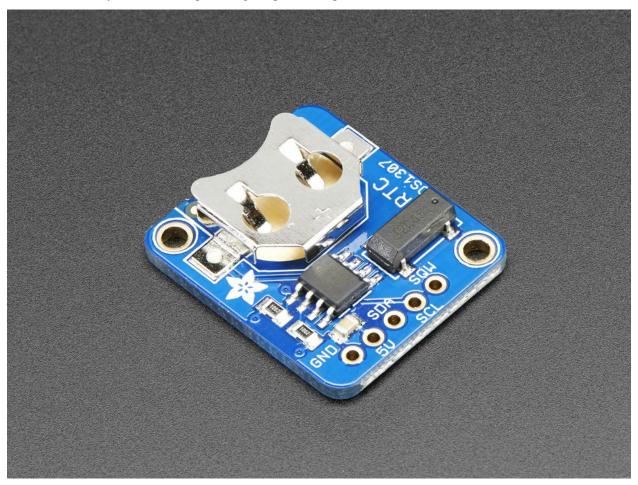
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This is a great battery-backed real time clock (RTC) that allows your microcontroller project to keep track of time even if it is reprogrammed, or if the power is lost. Perfect for datalogging, clock-building, time stamping, timers and alarms, etc. The DS1307 is the most popular RTC - but it requires 5V power to work.

The DS1307 is simple and inexpensive but not a high precision device. It may lose or gain up to two seconds a day. For a high-precision, temperature compensated alternative, please check out the DS3231 precision RTC. If you do not need a DS1307, or you need a 3.3V-power/logic capable RTC please check out our affordable PCF8523 RTC breakout.



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## Dependencies

#### This driver depends on:

- Adafruit CircuitPython
- Bus Device
- Register

Please ensure all dependencies are available on the CircuitPython filesystem. This is easily achieved by downloading the Adafruit library and driver bundle.

## Installing from PyPI

On supported GNU/Linux systems like the Raspberry Pi, you can install the driver locally from PyPI. To install for current user:

pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-ds1307

To install system-wide (this may be required in some cases):

sudo pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-ds1307

To install in a virtual environment in your current project:

mkdir project-name && cd project-name
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-ds1307

**Usage Notes** 

Of course, you must import the library to use it:

```
import busio
import adafruit_ds1307
import time
```

All the Adafruit RTC libraries take an instantiated and active I2C object (from the busio library) as an argument to their constructor. The way to create an I2C object depends on the board you are using. For boards with labeled SCL and SDA pins, you can:

```
from board import *
```

You can also use pins defined by the onboard microcontroller through the microcontroller.pin module.

Now, to initialize the I2C bus:

```
myI2C = busio.I2C(SCL, SDA)
```

Once you have created the I2C interface object, you can use it to instantiate the RTC object:

```
rtc = adafruit_ds1307.DS1307(myI2C)
```

To set the time, you need to set datetime to a time.struct\_time object:

```
rtc.datetime = time.struct_time((2017,1,9,15,6,0,0,9,-1))
```

After the RTC is set, you retrieve the time by reading the datetime attribute and access the standard attributes of a struct\_time such as tm\_year, tm\_hour and tm\_min.

```
t = rtc.datetime
print(t)
print(t.tm_hour, t.tm_min)
```

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**Building locally** 

To build this library locally you'll need to install the circuitpython-build-tools package.

```
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip install circuitpython-build-tools
```

Once installed, make sure you are in the virtual environment:

```
source .env/bin/activate
```

#### Then run the build:

### 5.1 Sphinx documentation

Sphinx is used to build the documentation based on rST files and comments in the code. First, install dependencies (feel free to reuse the virtual environment from above):

```
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip install Sphinx sphinx-rtd-theme
```

Now, once you have the virtual environment activated:

```
cd docs
sphinx-build -E -W -b html . _build/html
```

This will output the documentation to docs/\_build/html. Open the index.html in your browser to view them. It will also (due to -W) error out on any warning like Travis will. This is a good way to locally verify it will pass.

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#### 6.1 Simple test

Ensure your device works with this simple test.

Listing 1: examples/ds1307\_simpletest.py

```
# Simple demo of reading and writing the time for the DS1307 real-time clock.
   # Change the if False to if True below to set the time, otherwise it will just
   # print the current date and time every second. Notice also comments to adjust
   # for working with hardware vs. software I2C.
   import time
   import board
   # For hardware I2C (MO boards) use this line:
   import busio as io
   # Or for software I2C (ESP8266) use this line instead:
   #import bitbangio as io
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   import adafruit_ds1307
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   # Change to the appropriate I2C clock & data pins here!
15
   i2c_bus = io.I2C(board.SCL, board.SDA)
16
17
   # Create the RTC instance:
18
   rtc = adafruit ds1307.DS1307(i2c bus)
19
20
   # Lookup table for names of days (nicer printing).
21
   days = ("Sunday", "Monday", "Tuesday", "Wednesday", "Thursday", "Friday", "Saturday")
22
23
24
   #pylint: disable-msg=bad-whitespace
25
   #pylint: disable-msg=using-constant-test
26
  if False:
              # change to True if you want to set the time!
```

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```
year, mon, date, hour, min, sec, wday, yday, isdst
28
       t = time.struct_time((2017, 10, 29, 15, 14, 15,
                                                                        -1,
                                                                   0.
                                                                                -1))
29
       # you must set year, mon, date, hour, min, sec and weekday
30
       # yearday is not supported, isdst can be set but we don't do anything with it at.
   →this time
       print("Setting time to:", t) # uncomment for debugging
32
       rtc.datetime = t
33
       print()
34
   #pylint: enable-msg=using-constant-test
35
   #pylint: enable-msg=bad-whitespace
37
   # Main loop:
   while True:
       t = rtc.datetime
40
       #print(t) # uncomment for debugging
41
       print("The date is {} {}/{}/{}".format(days[int(t.tm_wday)], t.tm_mday, t.tm_mon,_
42
       print("The time is \{\}: \{:02\}: \{:02\}".format(t.tm_hour, t.tm_min, t.tm_sec))
43
       time.sleep(1) # wait a second
```

#### 6.2 adafruit\_ds1307 - DS1307 Real Time Clock module

CircuitPython library to support DS1307 Real Time Clock (RTC).

This library supports the use of the DS1307-based RTC in CircuitPython.

Beware that most CircuitPython compatible hardware are 3.3v logic level! Make sure that the input pin is 5v tolerant.

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#### 6.2.1 Implementation Notes

#### Hardware:

• Adafruit DS1307 RTC breakout (Product ID: 3296)

#### **Software and Dependencies:**

- Adafruit CircuitPython firmware (0.8.0+) for the ESP8622 and M0-based boards: <a href="https://github.com/adafruit/circuitpython/releases">https://github.com/adafruit/circuitpython/releases</a>
- Adafruit's Register library: https://github.com/adafruit/Adafruit\_CircuitPython\_Register
- Adafruit's Bus Device library: https://github.com/adafruit/Adafruit\_CircuitPython\_BusDevice

#### **Notes:**

- 1. Milliseconds are not supported by this RTC.
- 2. Alarms and timers are not supported by this RTC.
- 3. Datasheet: https://datasheets.maximintegrated.com/en/ds/DS1307.pdf

```
class adafruit_ds1307.DS1307 (i2c_bus)
Interface to the DS1307 RTC.
```

#### datetime

Gets the current date and time or sets the current date and time then starts the clock.

#### datetime\_register

Current date and time.

#### ${\tt disable\_oscillator}$

True if the oscillator is disabled.

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