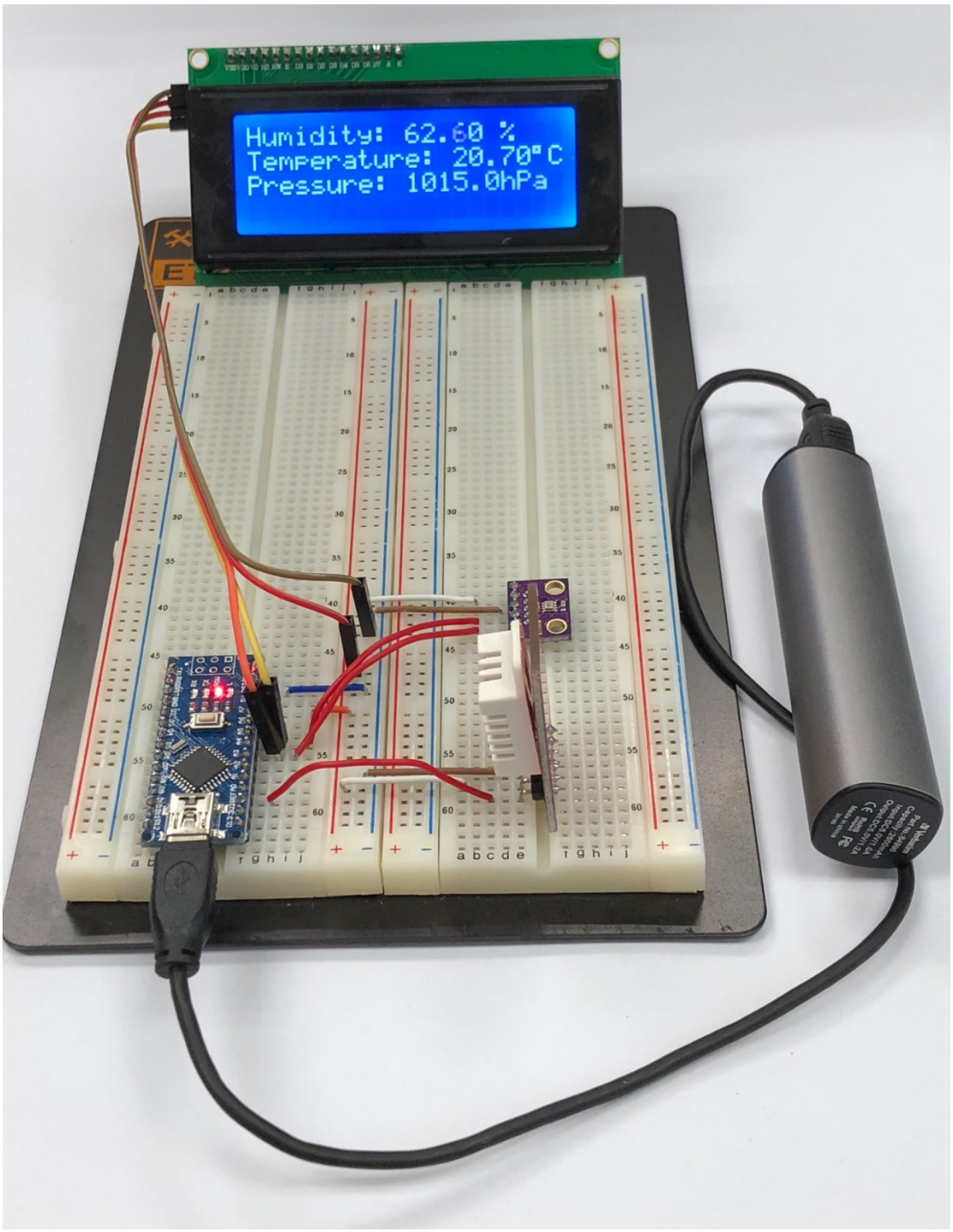
Training Workshop on

Arduino-based Automatic Weather Station (AWS)



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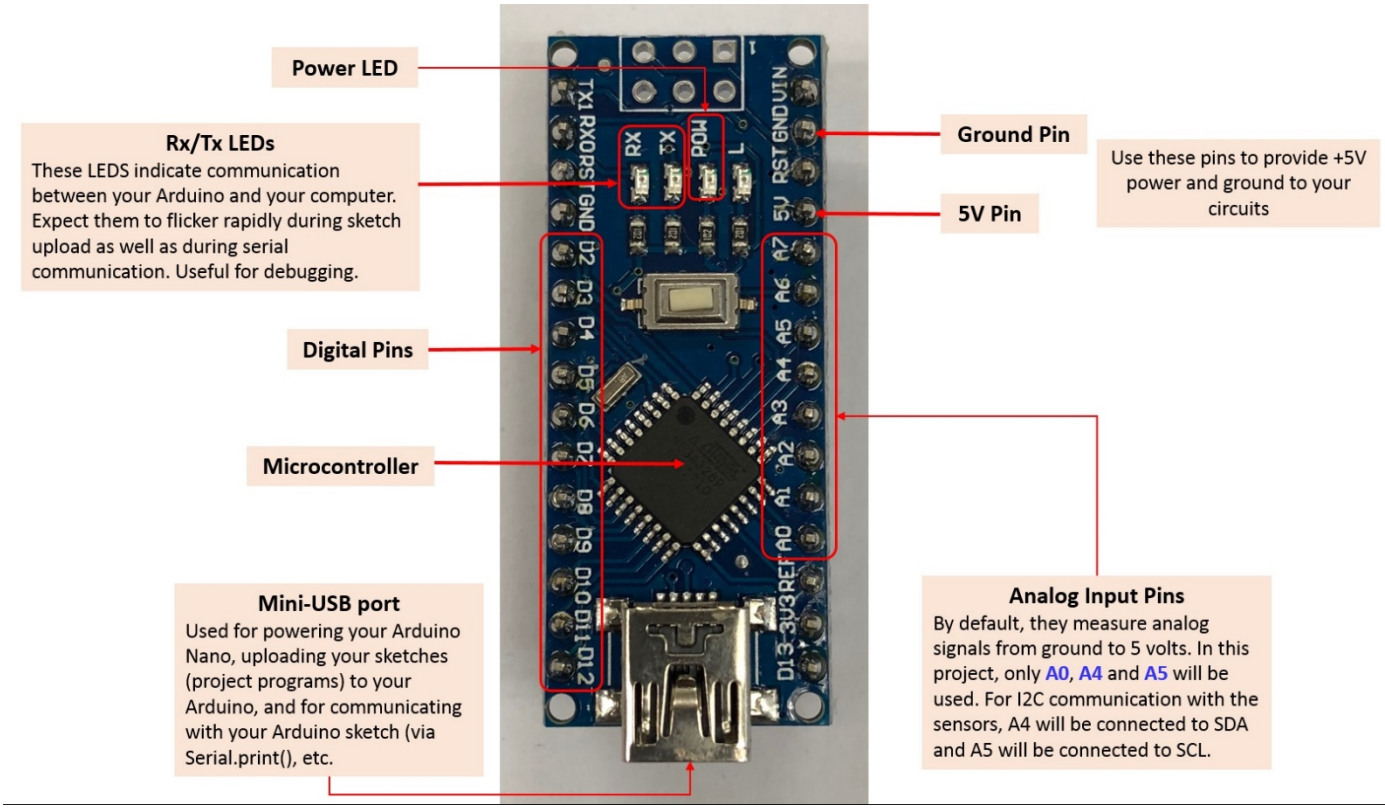
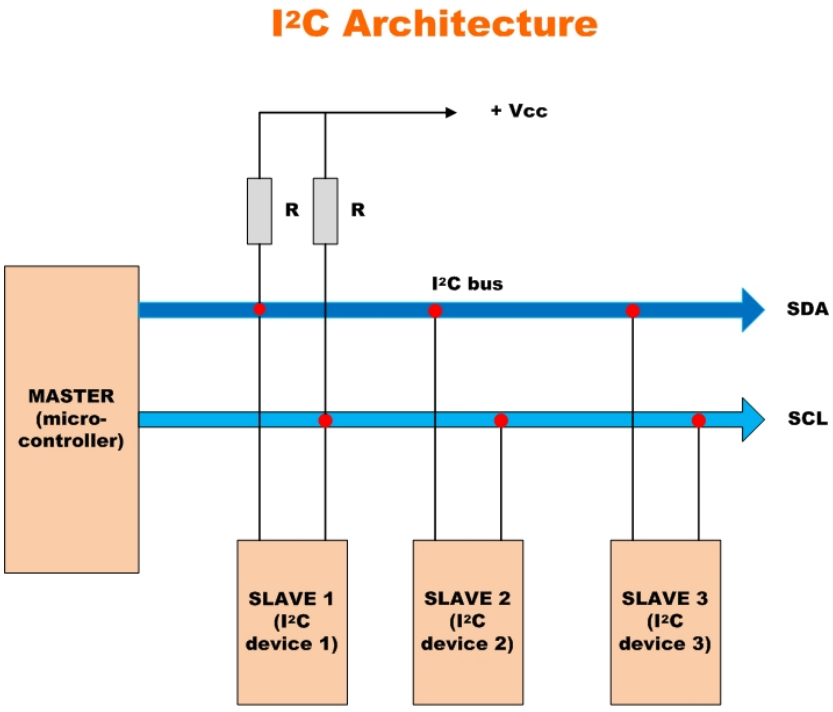
2. Getting started

1.1 The Arduino Nano Board





Multiple devices on common I²C bus

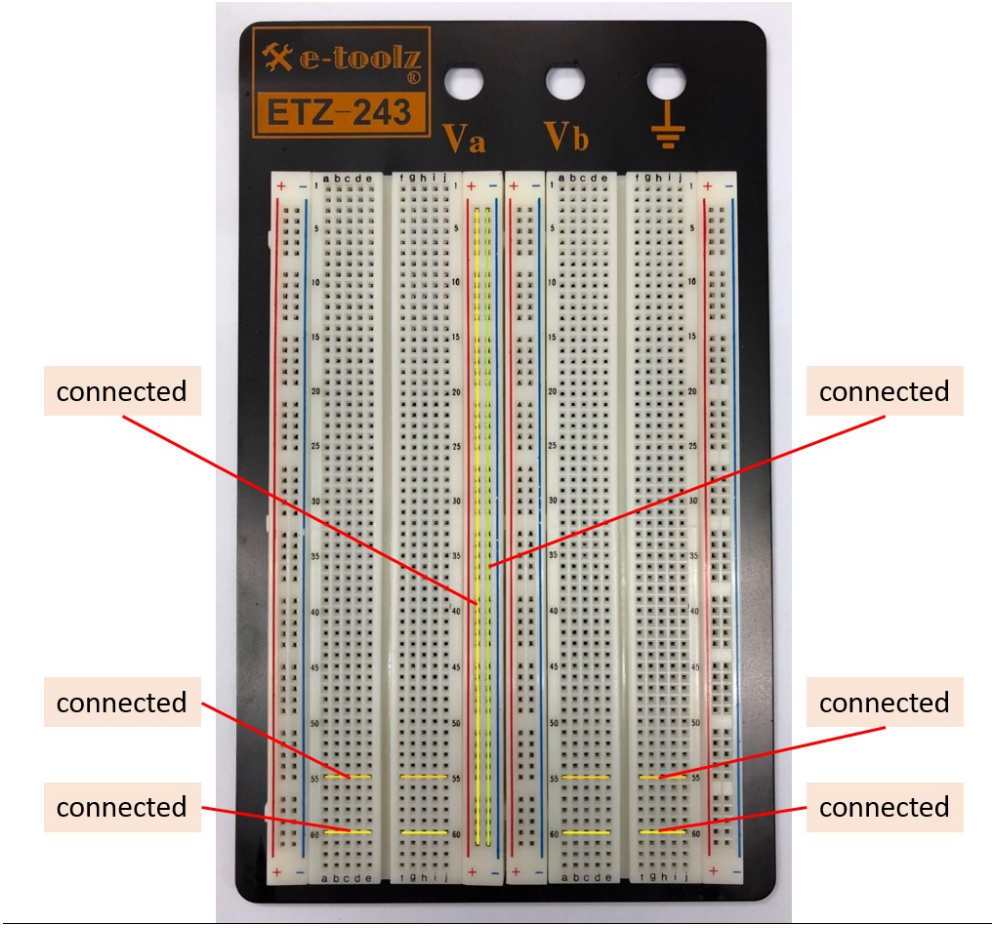
Serial data (SDA)
Serial clock (SCL)

1.2 The Arduino IDE

Before you start controlling the world around you using the Arduino, you'll need to download the Arduino IDE (Integrated Development Environment). The Arduino IDE allows you to write programs and upload them to your Arduino. You can download the latest version of the IDE from: https://www.arduino.cc/en/Main/Software

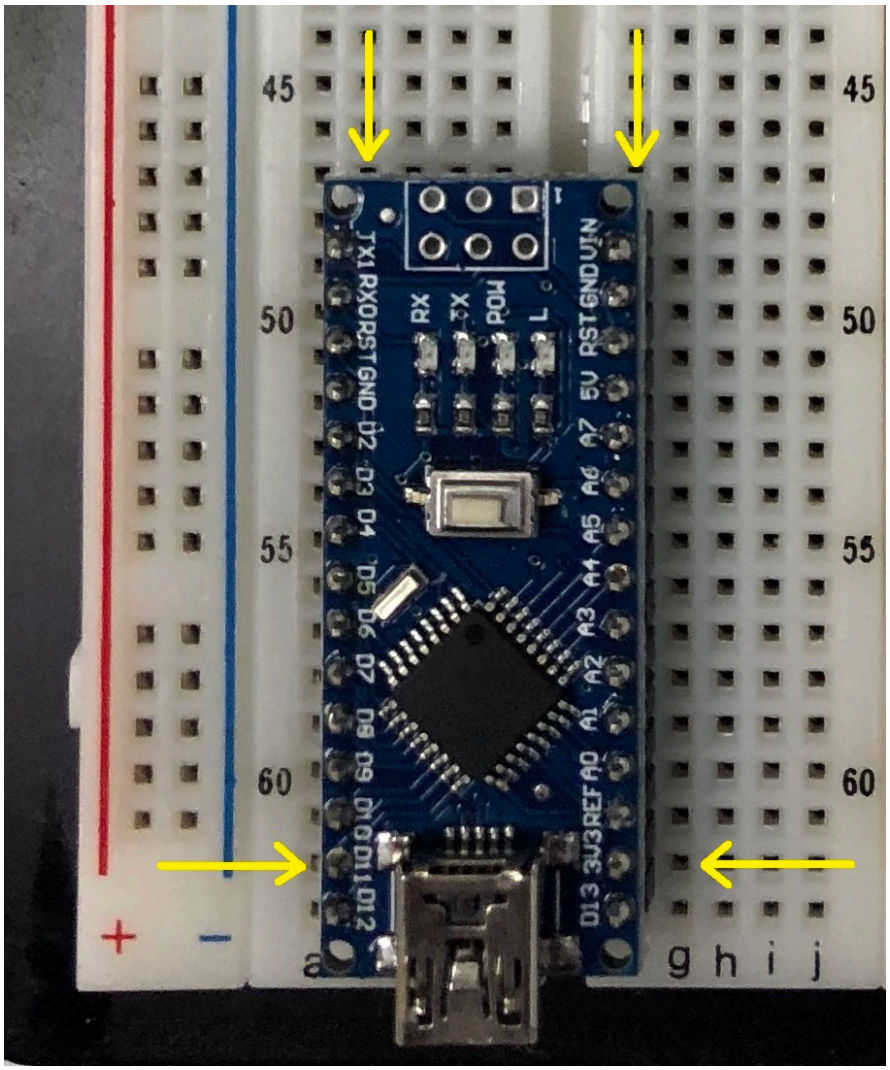
In this workshop, the Arduino IDE has been downloaded and installed for you. The link to start your Arduino IDE is shown as an Arduino icon on the desktop of your PC (see below)

1.3 Basic information about the Breadboard used in this workshop



1.4 Connecting your Arduino Nano to a PC

Insert the Arduino Nano on the breadboard as shown below and connect it to your PC using a mini-USB cable

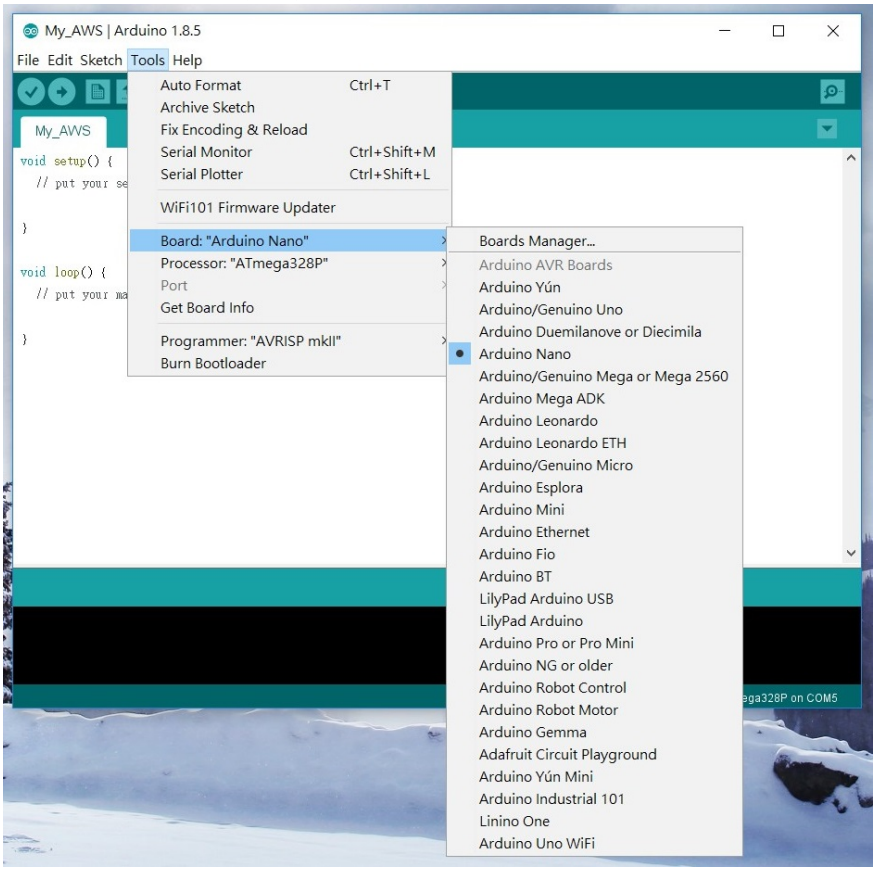


2. Creating your first AWS project

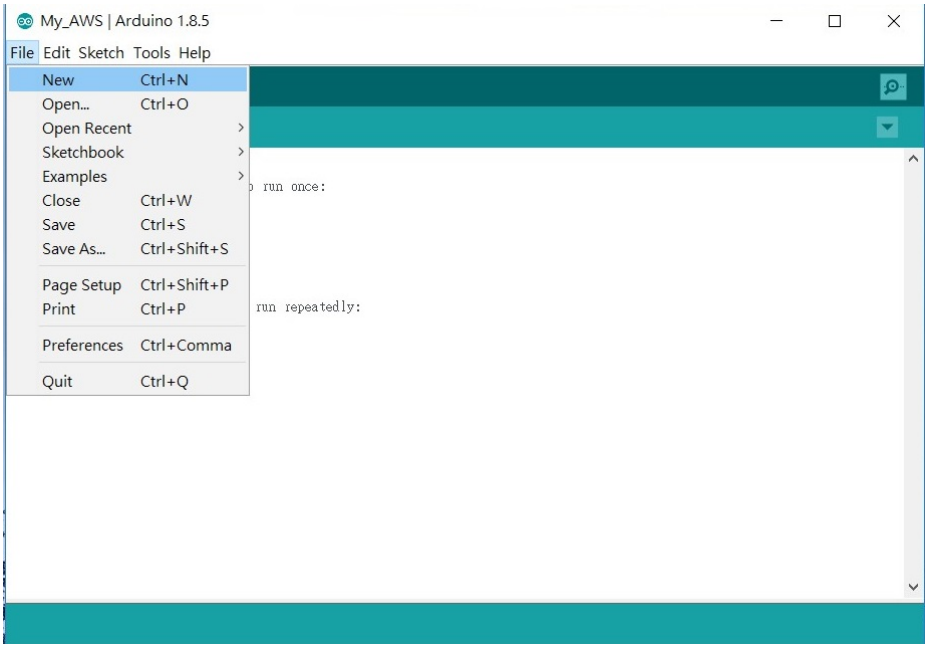
2.1 Running the Arduino IDE

Double click on the Arduino icon on the desktop of your PC to start running the Arduino IDE.

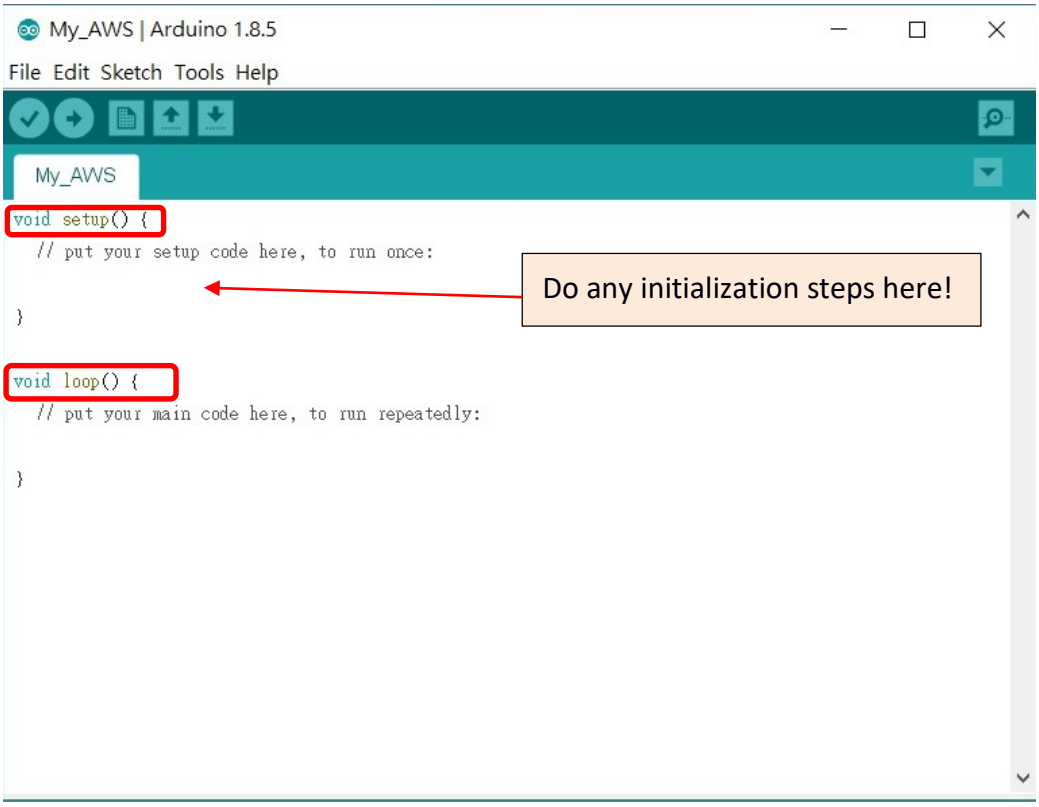
2.2 Selecting a proper Arduino board



2.3 Creating a new project file



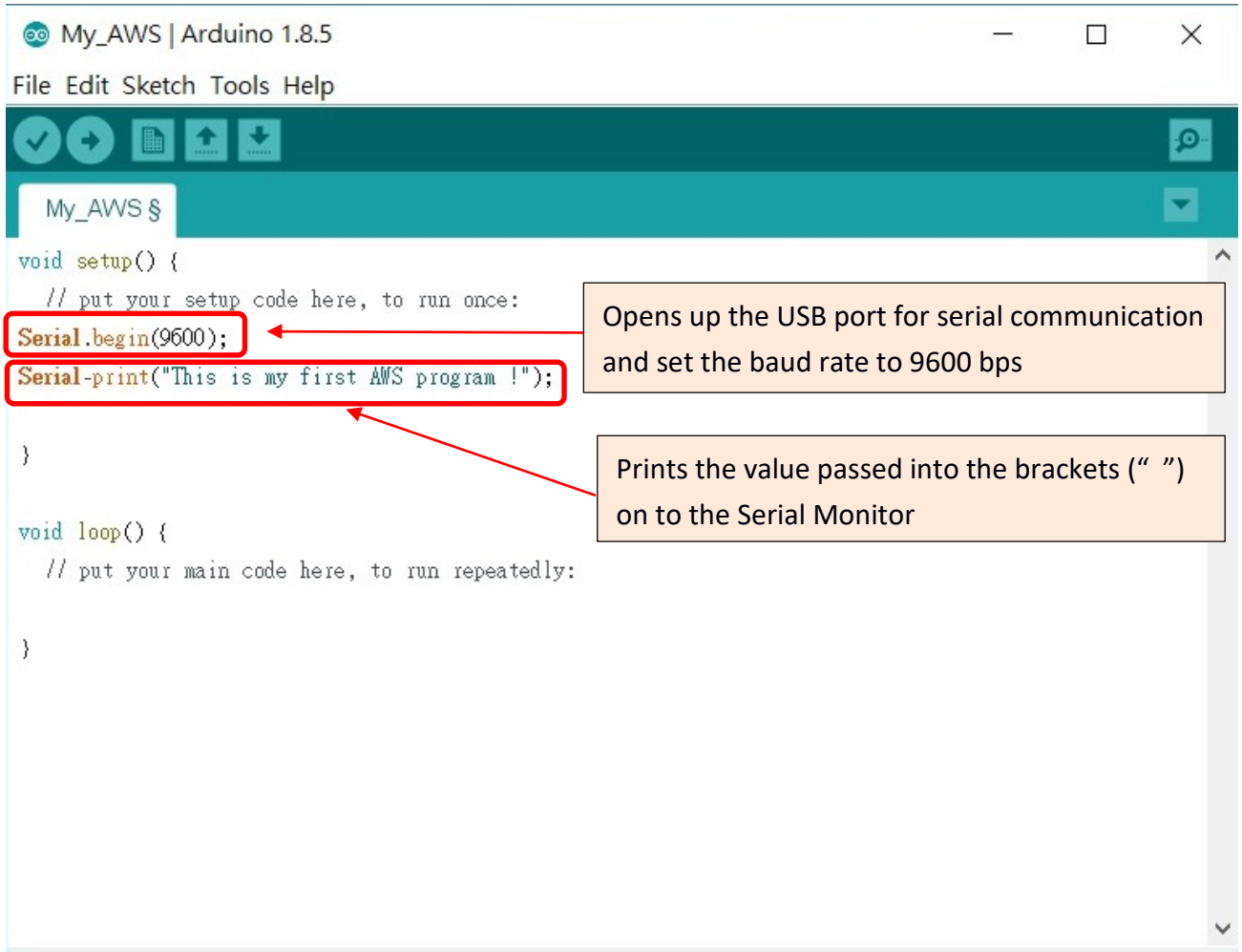
The basic structure of a new project file is shown below:



Type the following in the setup() section:

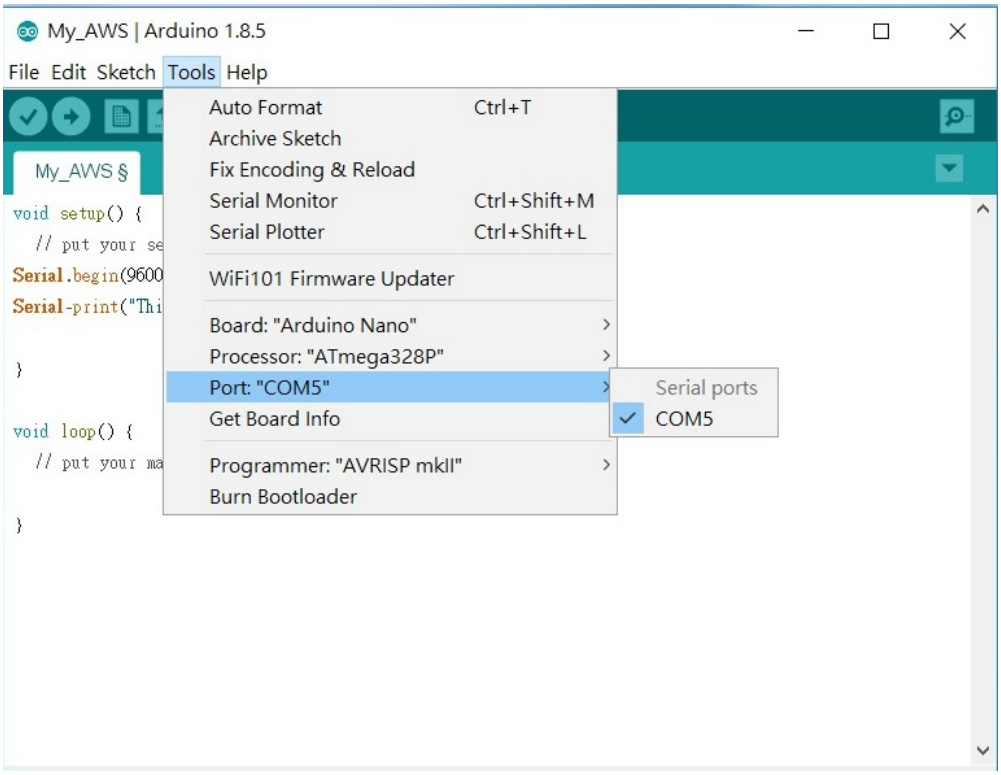
Serial.begin(9600);

Serial.print(" This is my first AWS program! ");

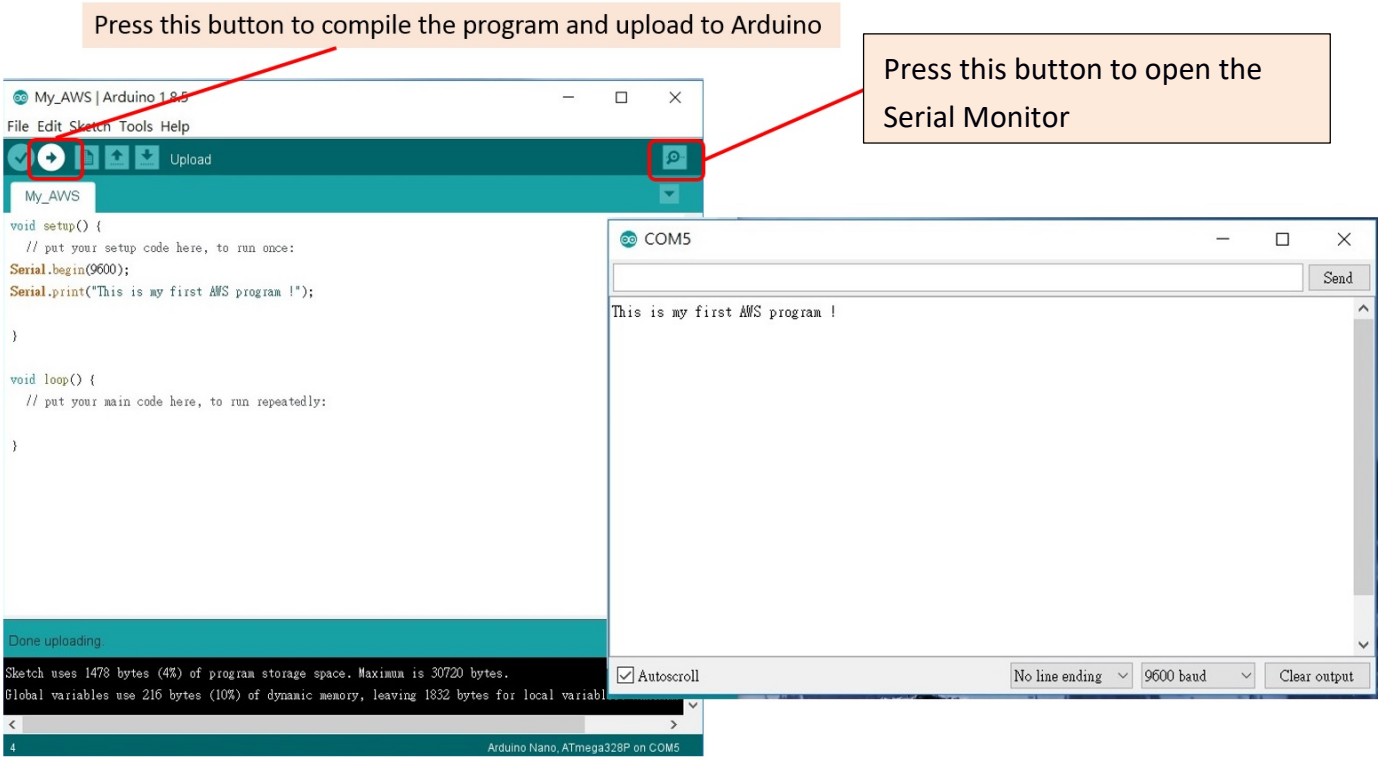


2.4 Setting up an appropriate Communication Port

Set up an appropriate COM port for displaying the information: select COM5 or COM4 in some PCs.



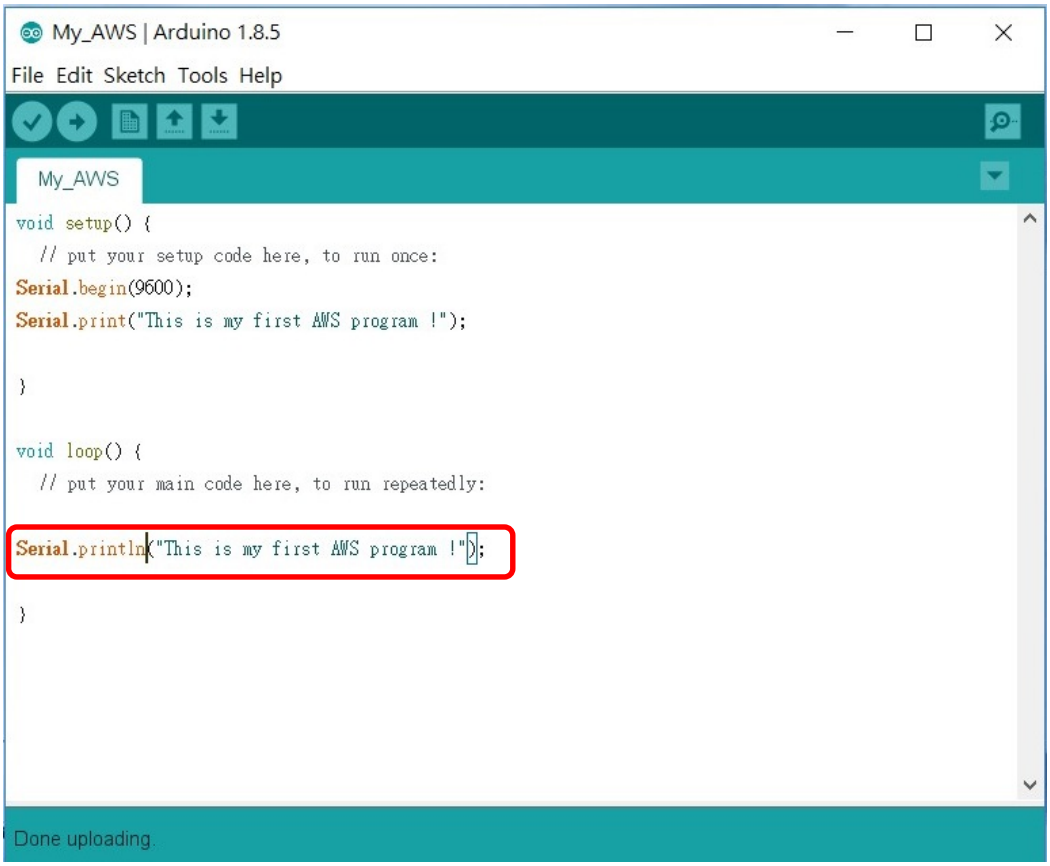
2.5 Compiling and uploading a program to your Arduino

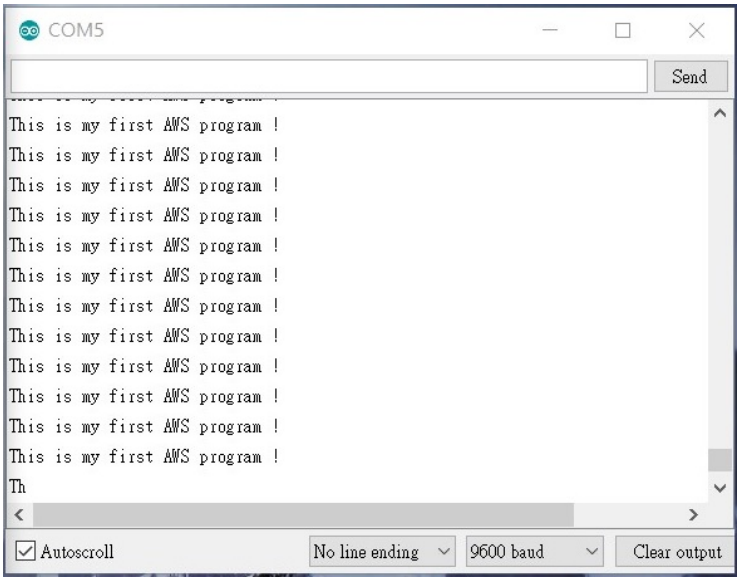


2.6 Using the loop() function

In the loop() section, type Serial.print("This is my first AWS program! ") and see the result.

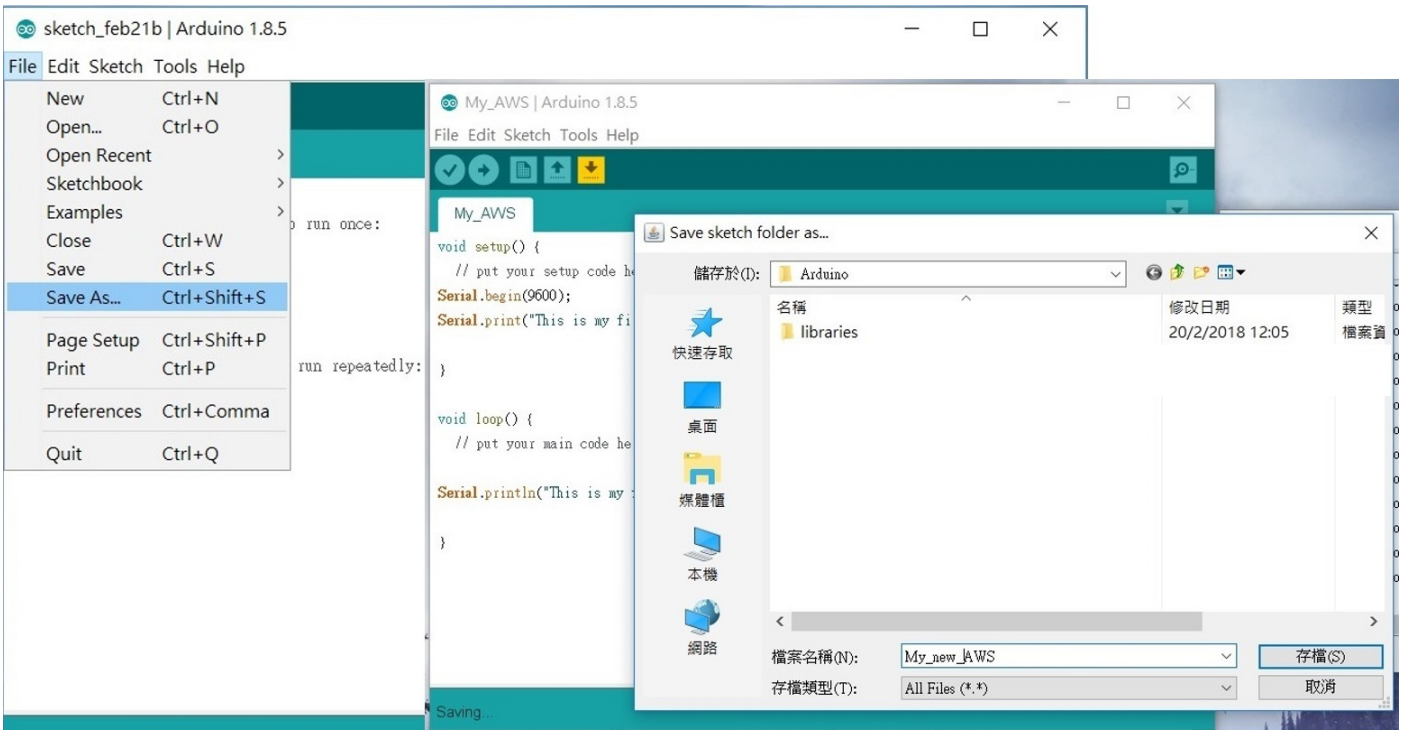
Try using Serial.println("This is my first AWS program! ") instead of Serial.print("This is my first AWS program! ") and recompile your program and see the result.





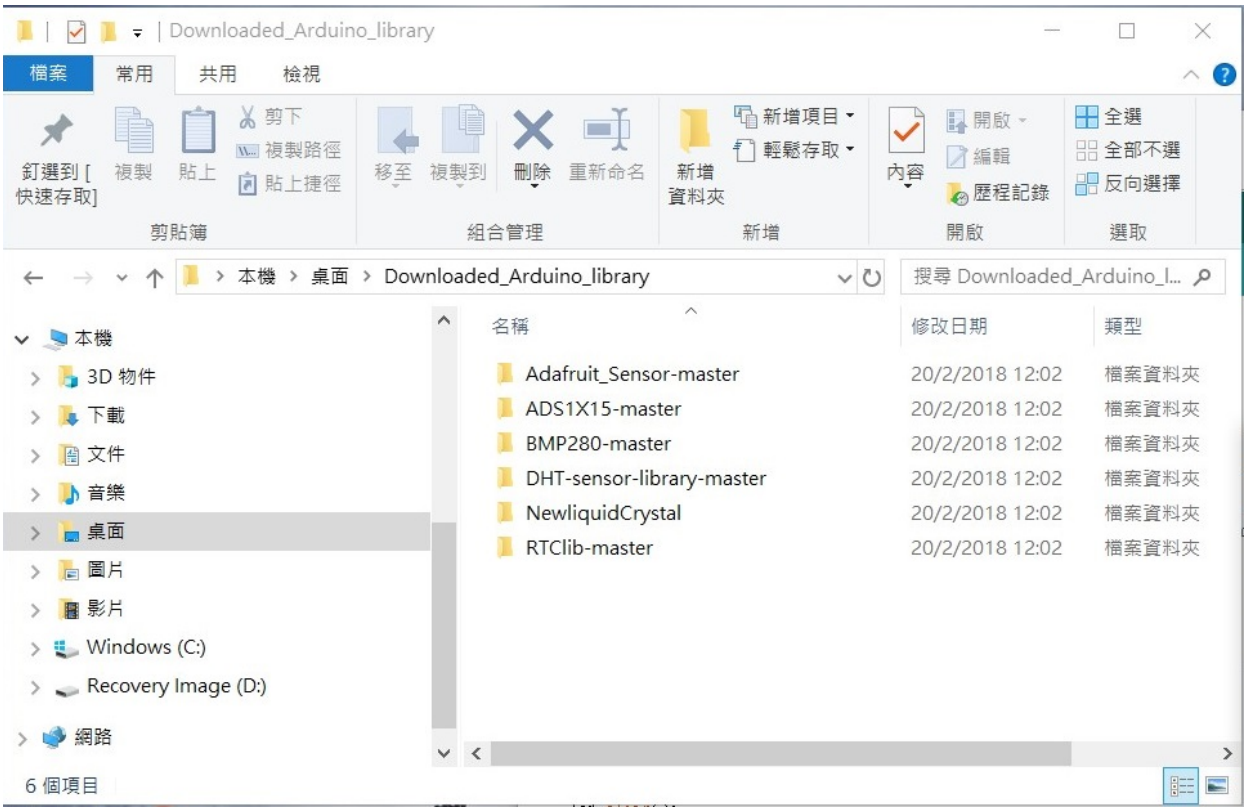
2.7 Saving your first project file

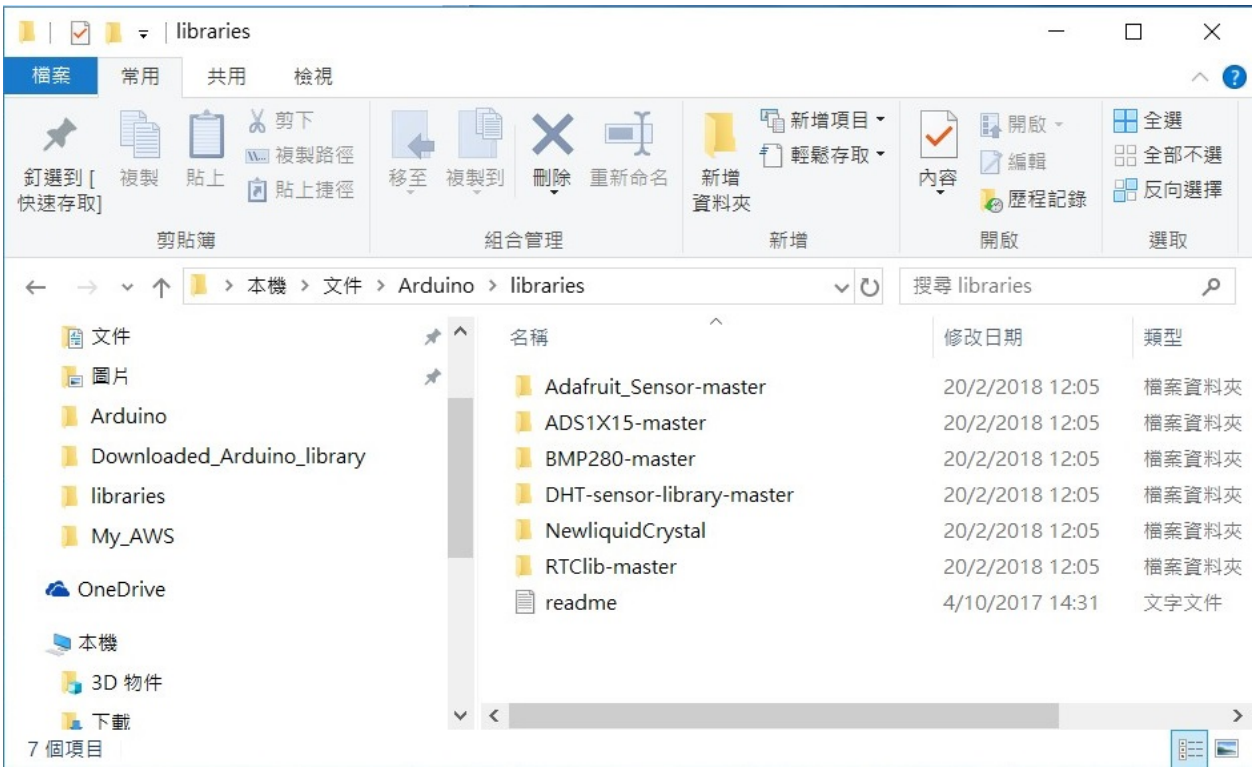
Save the program as My_new_AWS.



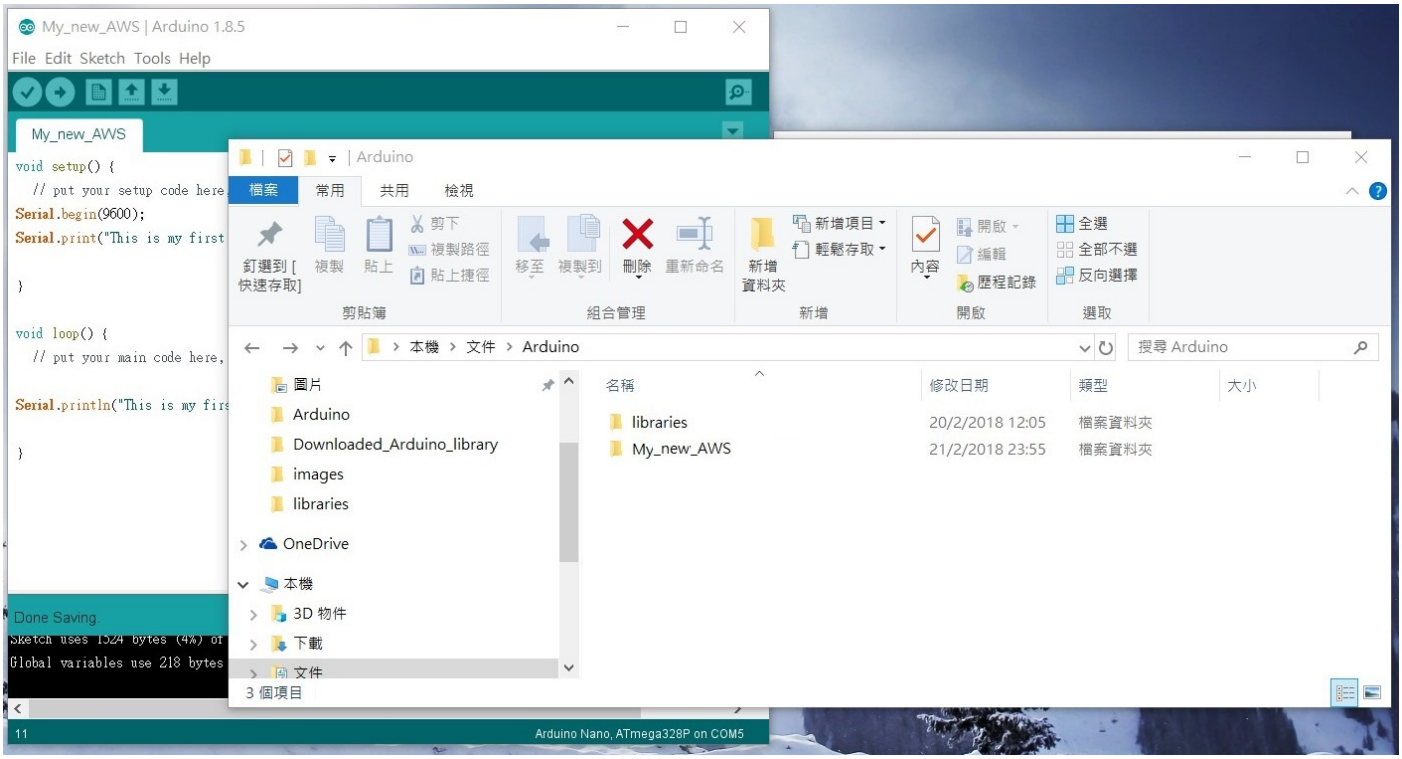
2.8 Downloading library files for different sensors for your Arduino projects

When you purchase different sensors, you need to download the appropriate library files and put them in the proper directory for Arduino IDE to access the files. The following is an example of a list of library files downloaded and stored under the folder 'Downloaded_Arduino_library'. They should be copied to the folder 'document>Arduino>libraries' as shown below:





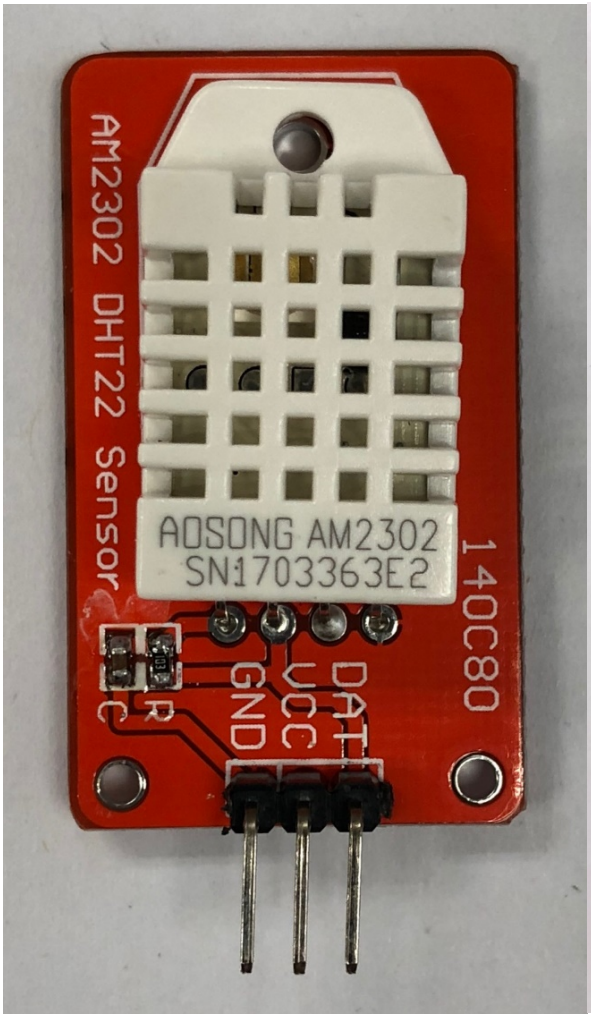
Note that My_new_AWS folder is next to the libraries folder.

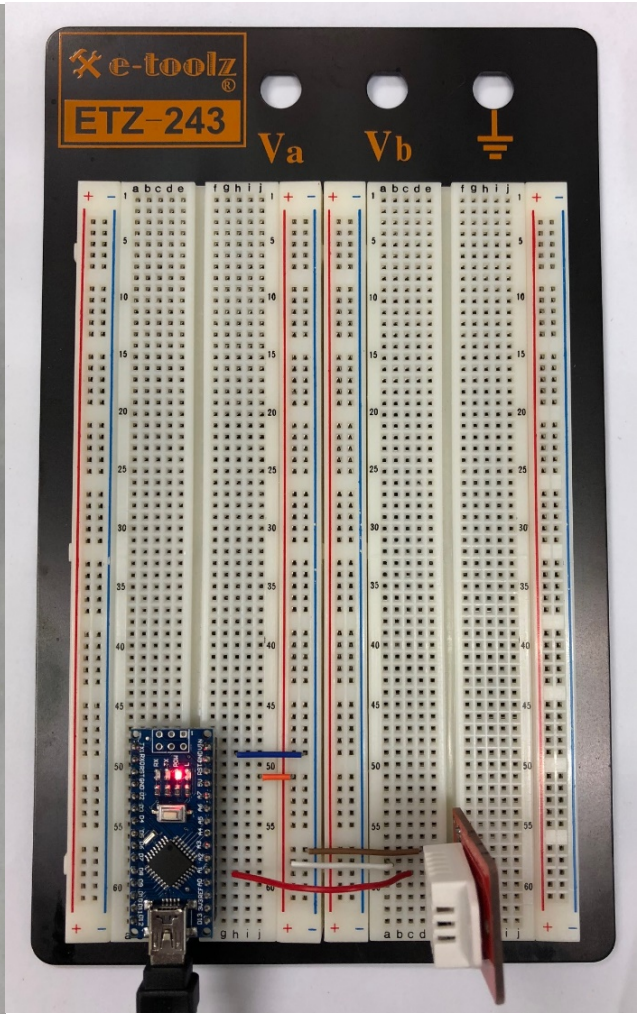


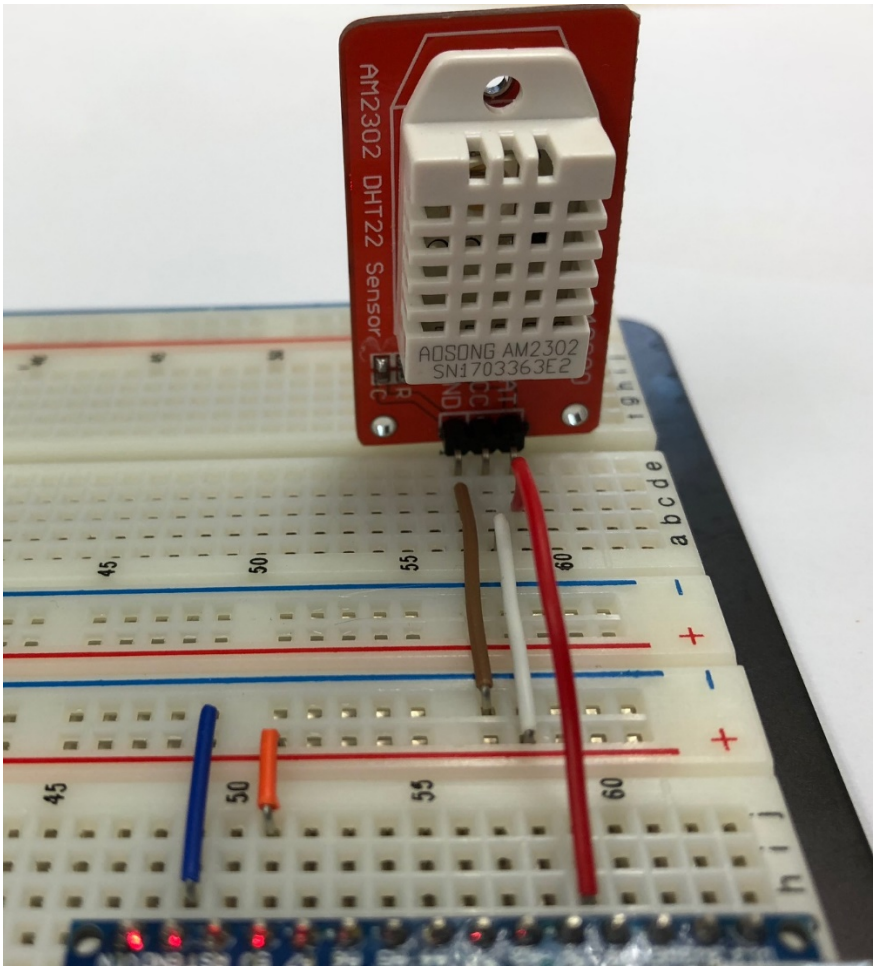
3. Installing a temperature and humidity sensor DHT22

3.1 Wiring

1. Connect GND and VCC of DHT22 to the **GND** and **5V** pins of Arduino Nano respectively
2. Connect DAT of DHT22 to **A0** pin of Arduino Nano

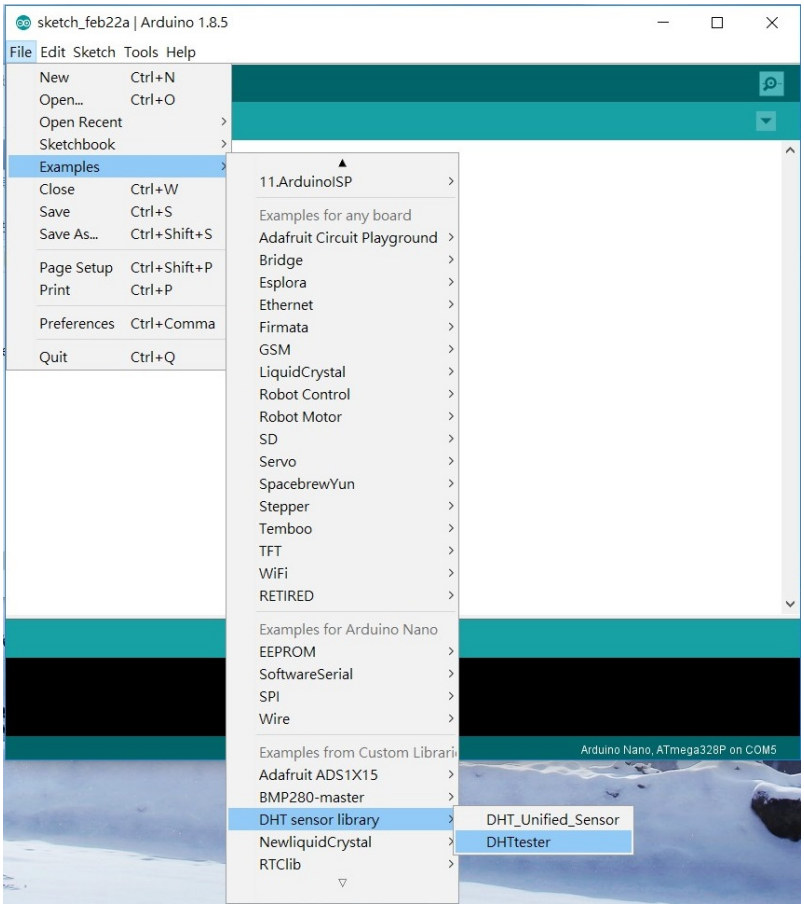






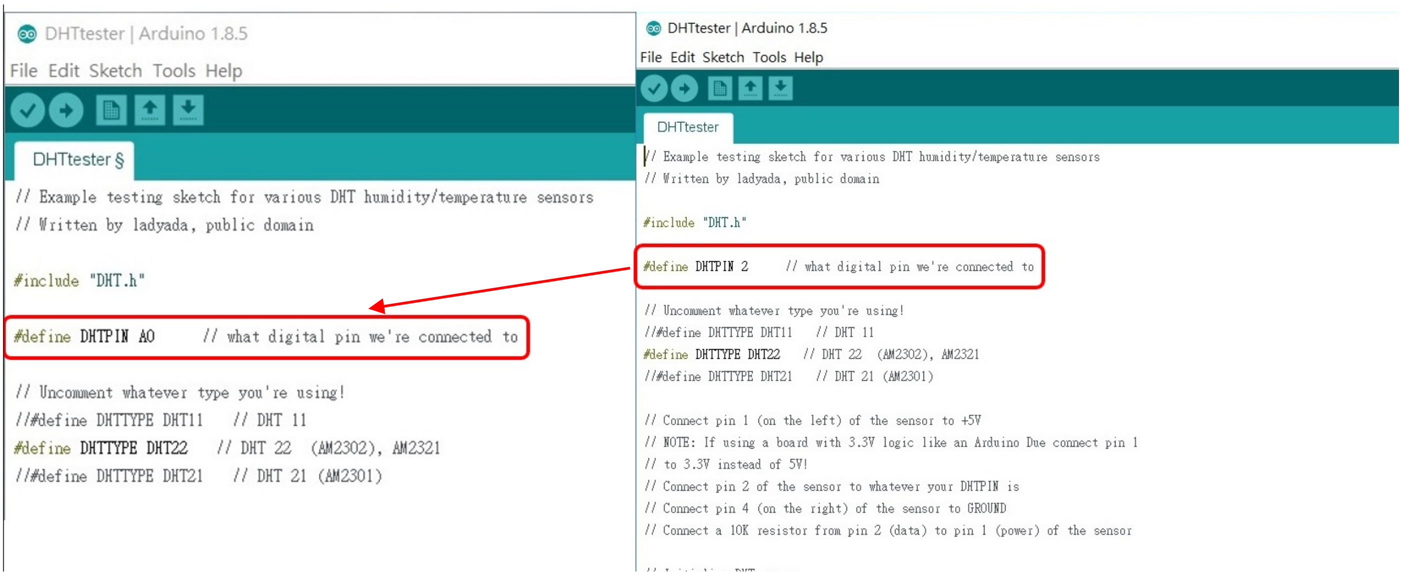
3.2 Choosing an Example file in the DHT sensor library

Choose the DHTtester file from the DHT sensor library as shown below:

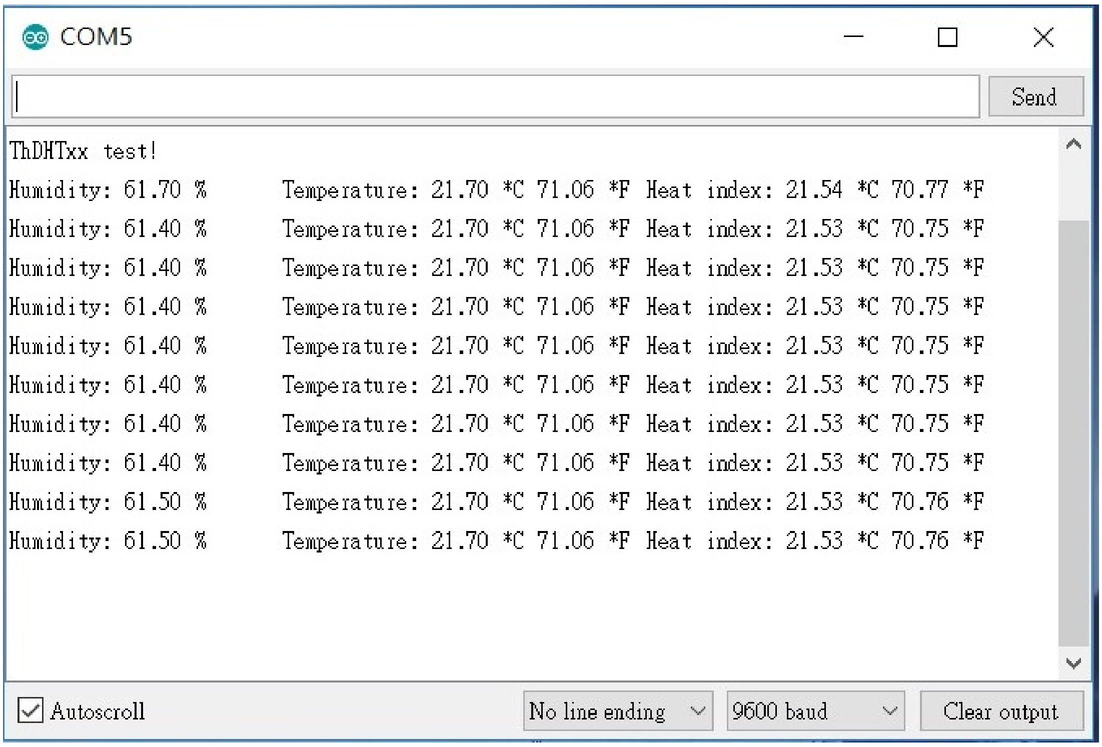


3.3 Modifying the Analog input pin to display correctly

Modify the analog input pin from 2 to A0 as shown below:



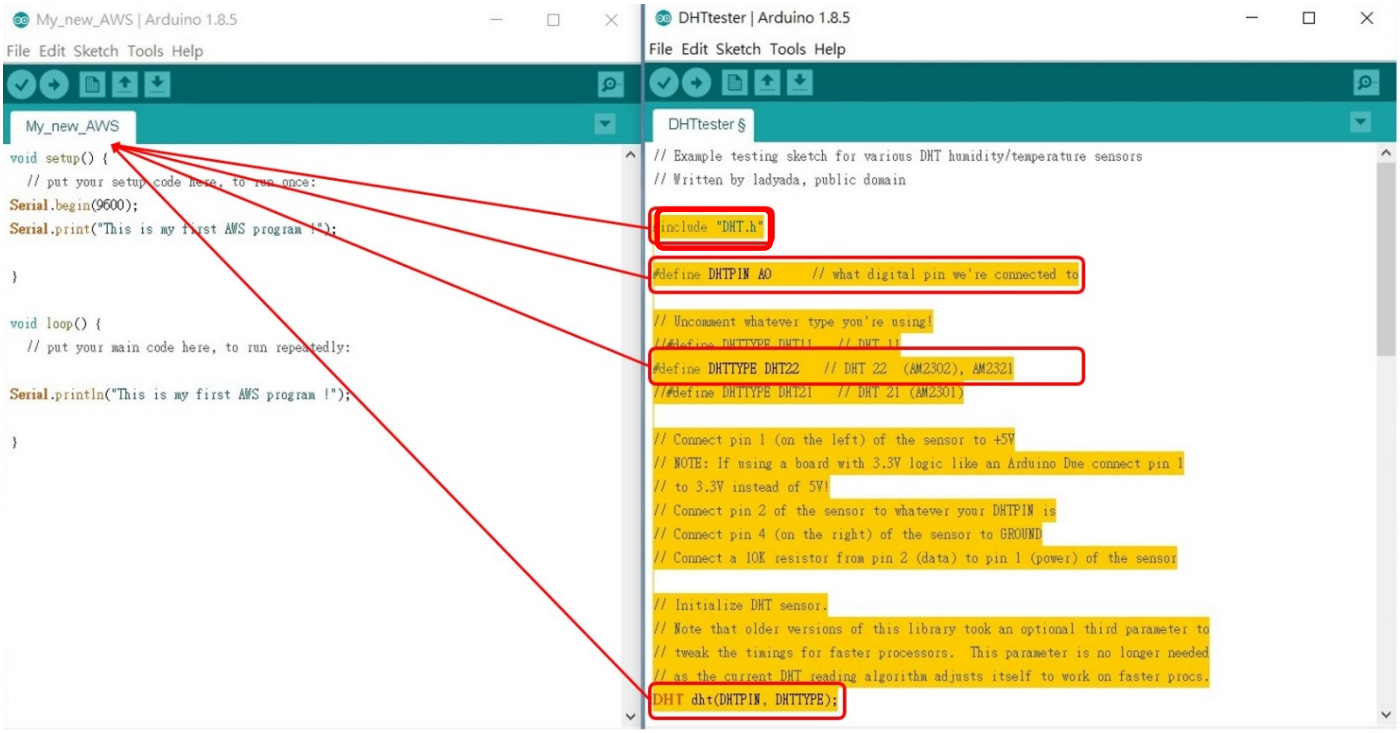
Compile and upload the program again and see the results.



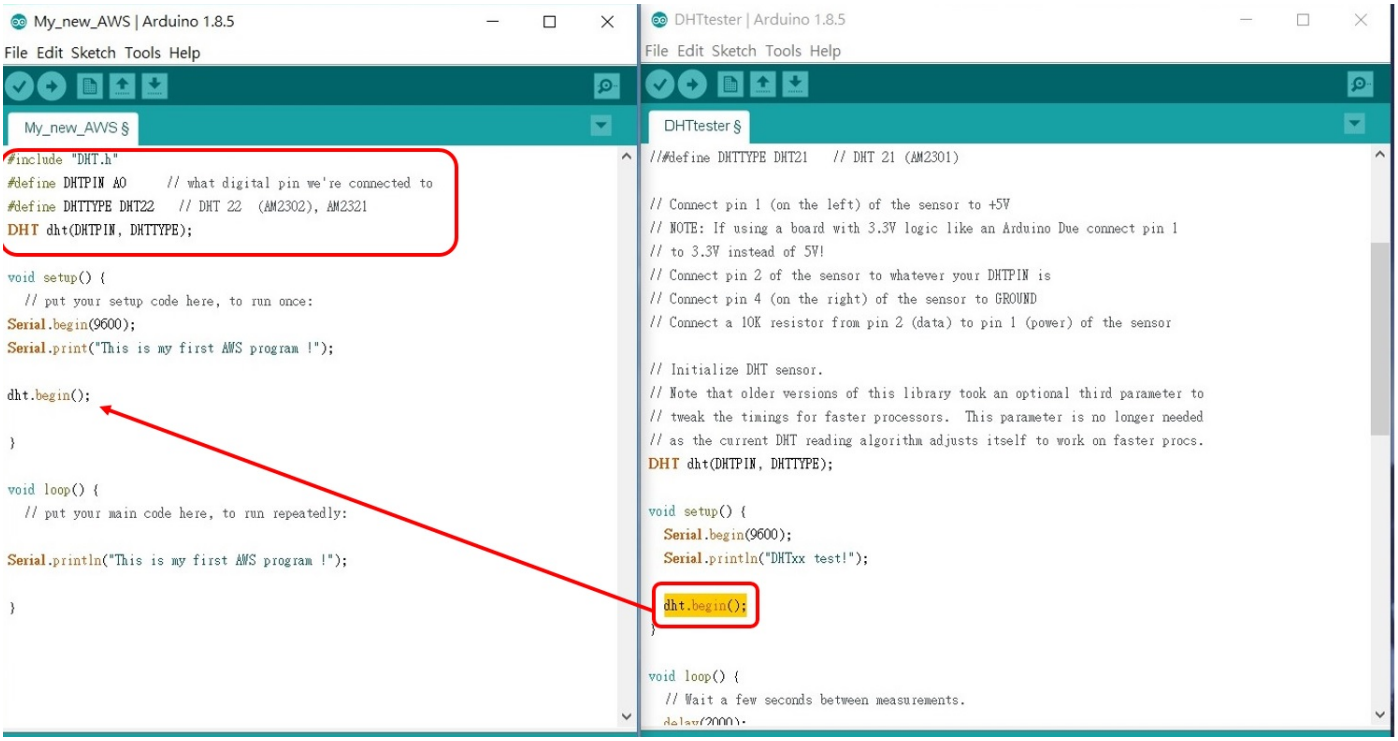
3.4 Modifying the My_new_AWS file to include the DHT22 sensor program

Open the My_new_AWS file side by side with the DHTtester file. Copy the following 4 lines to header section of My_new_AWS program:

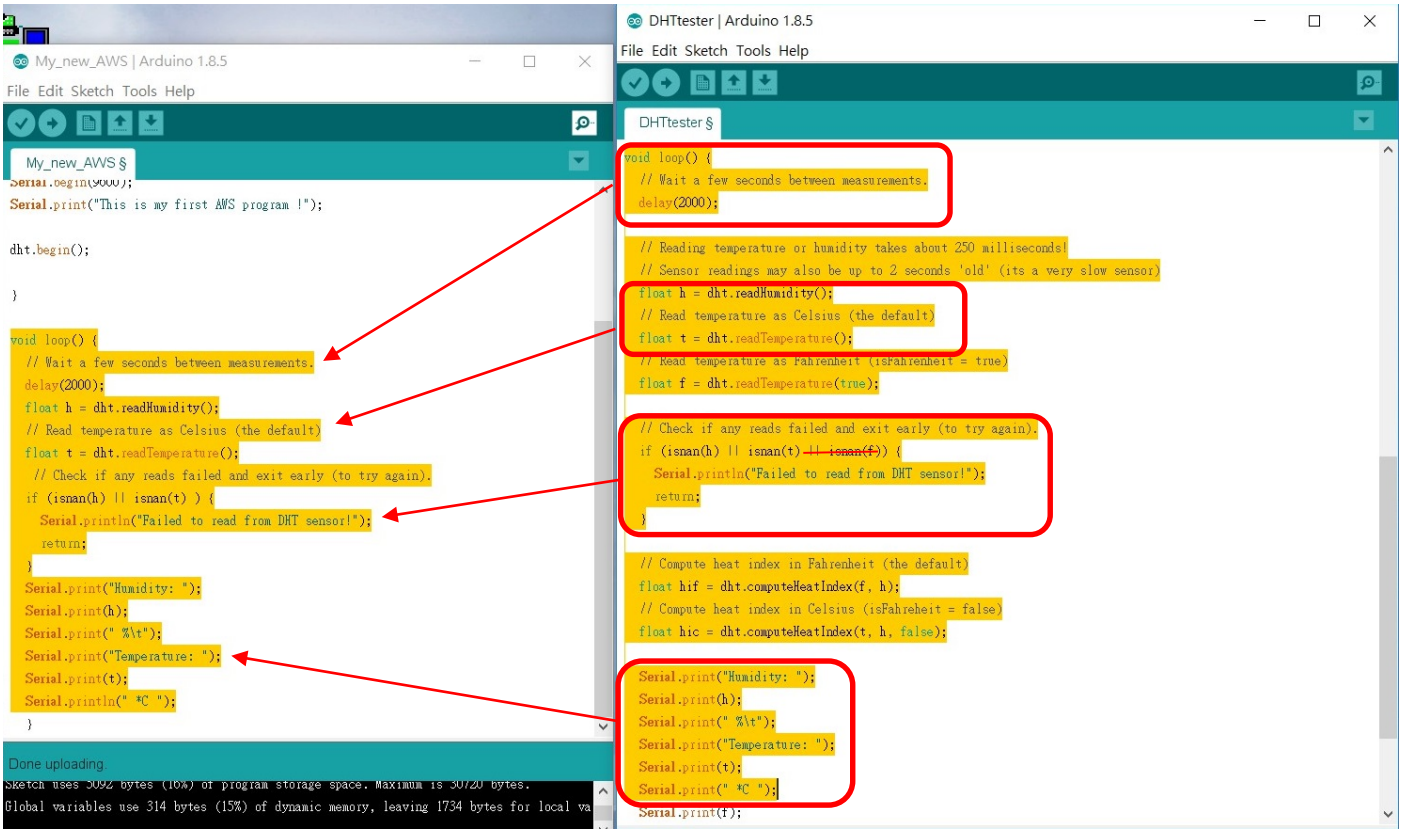
```
#include "DHT.h"
#define DHTPIN A0     // what digital pin we're connected to
#define DHTTYPE DHT22   // DHT 22  (AM2302), AM2321
DHT dht(DHTPIN, DHTTYPE);
```

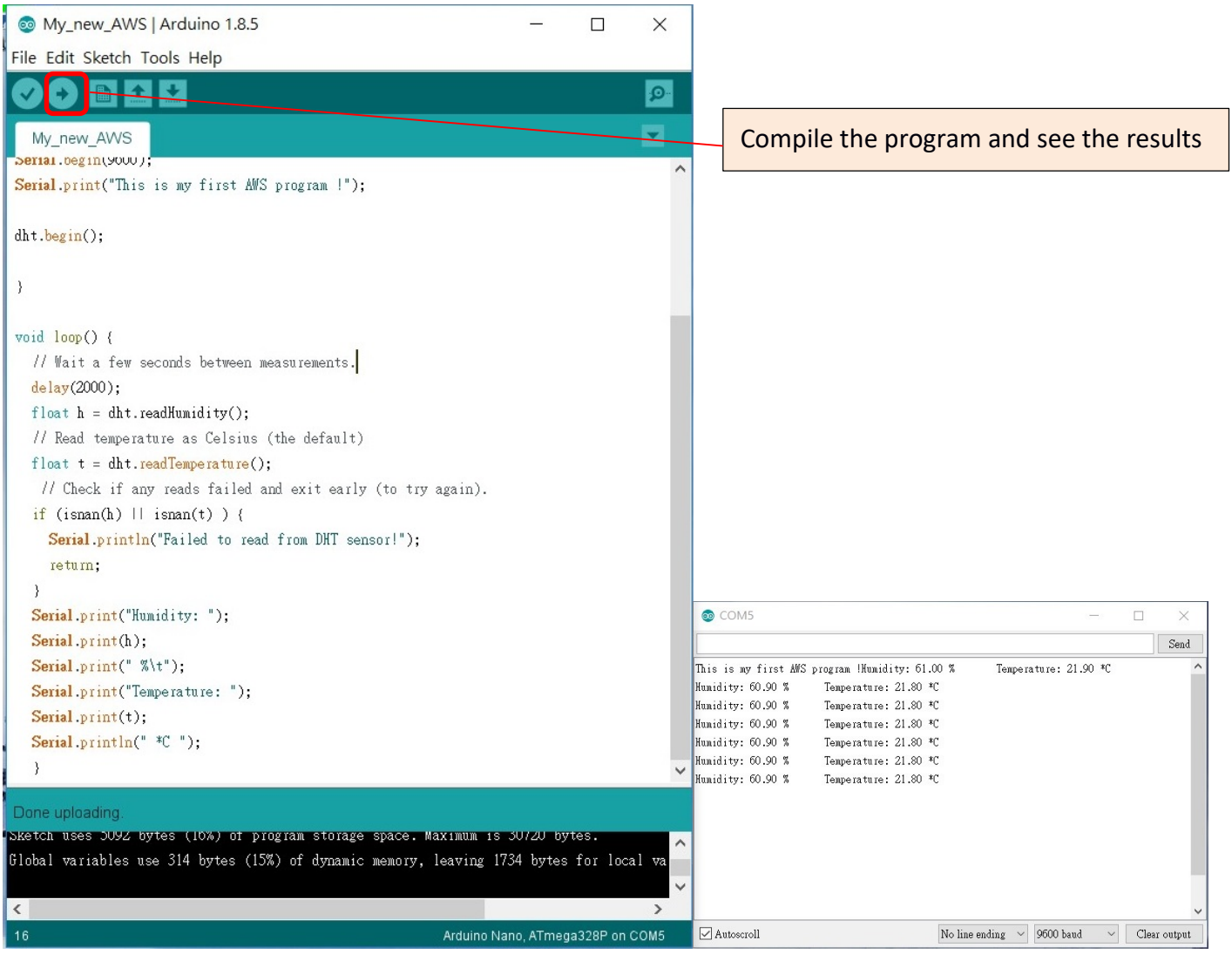


Copy the following line to the setup section of My_new_AWS program: **dht.begin();** as shown below:

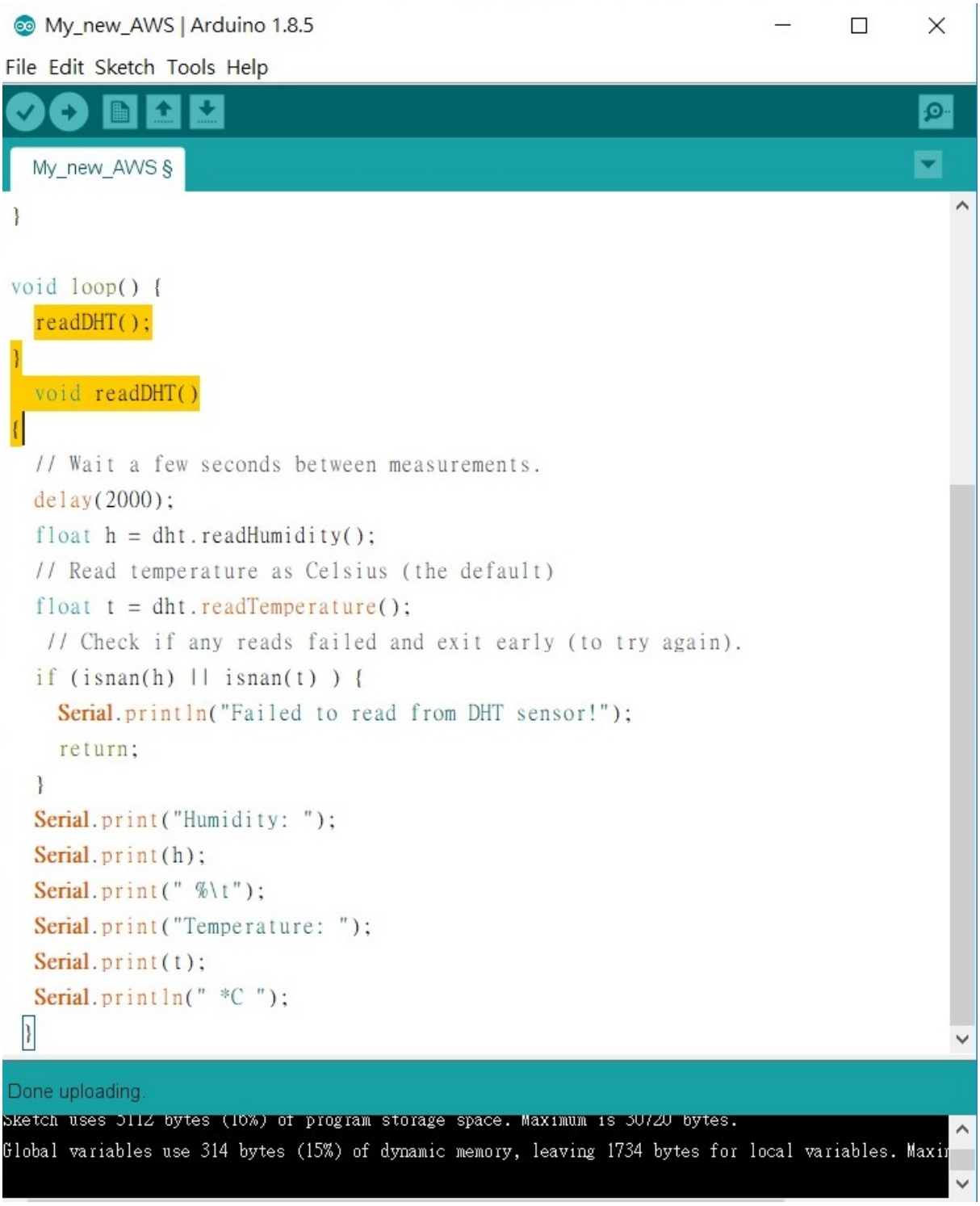


Copy the following lines to the loop() section of My_new_AWS as shown below:





Create a subroutine readDHT() by adding it in loop() as shown:

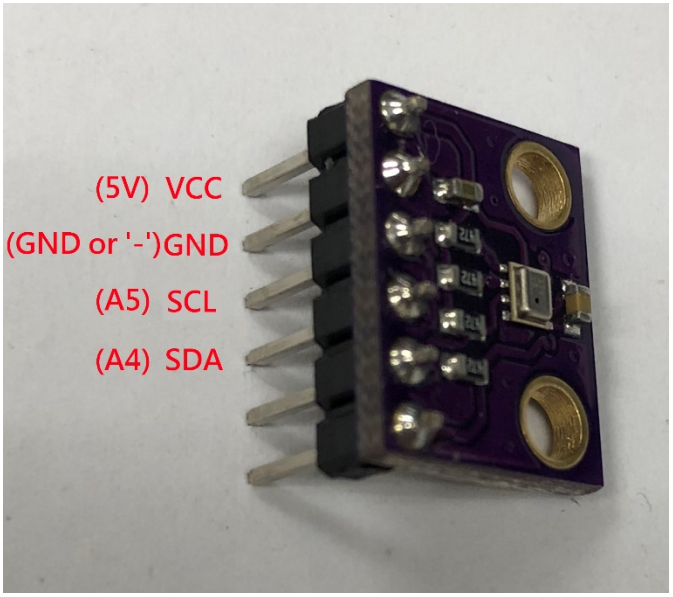


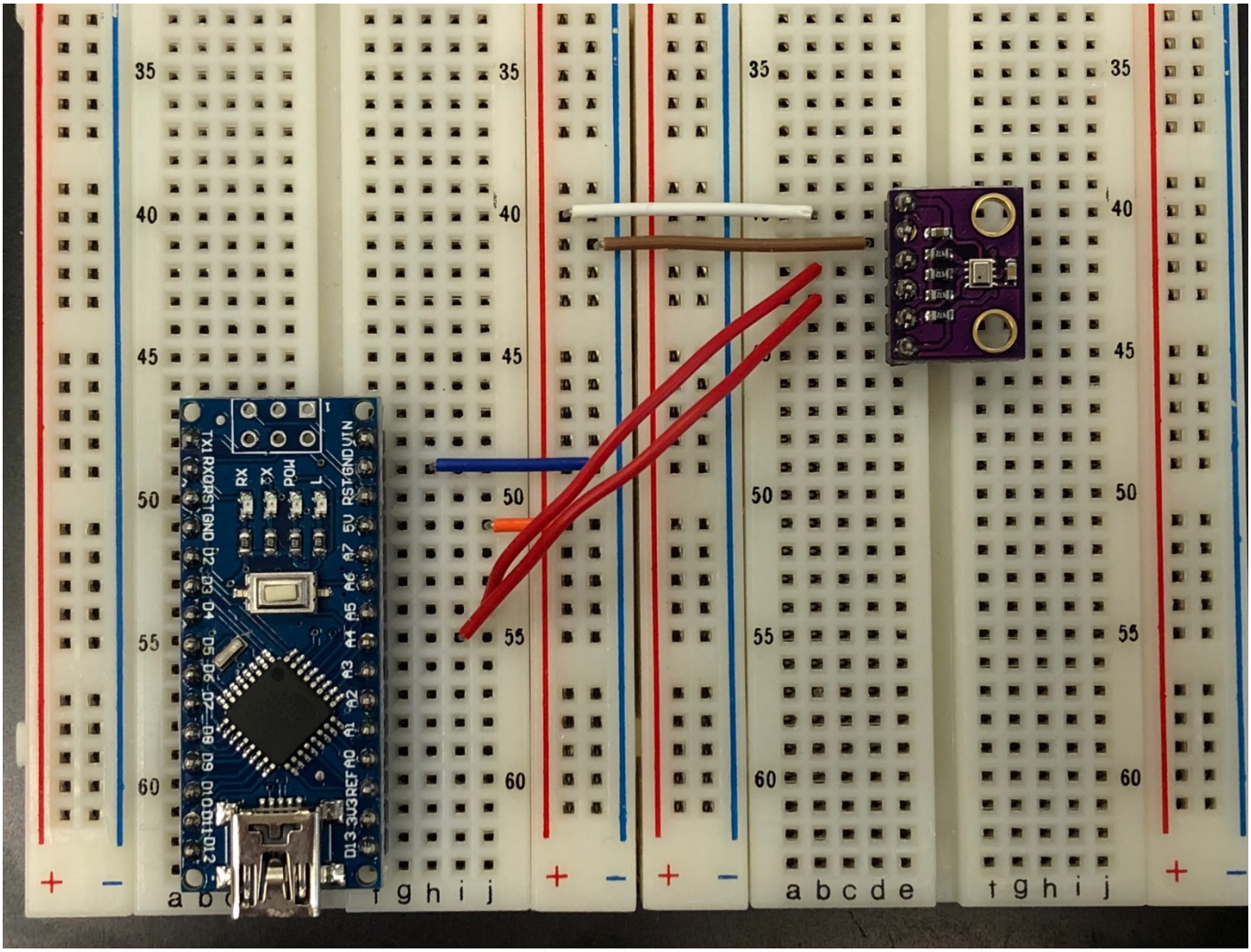
Remember to save your My_new_AWS file again!

4. Installing a Pressure sensor BMP280

4.1 Wiring

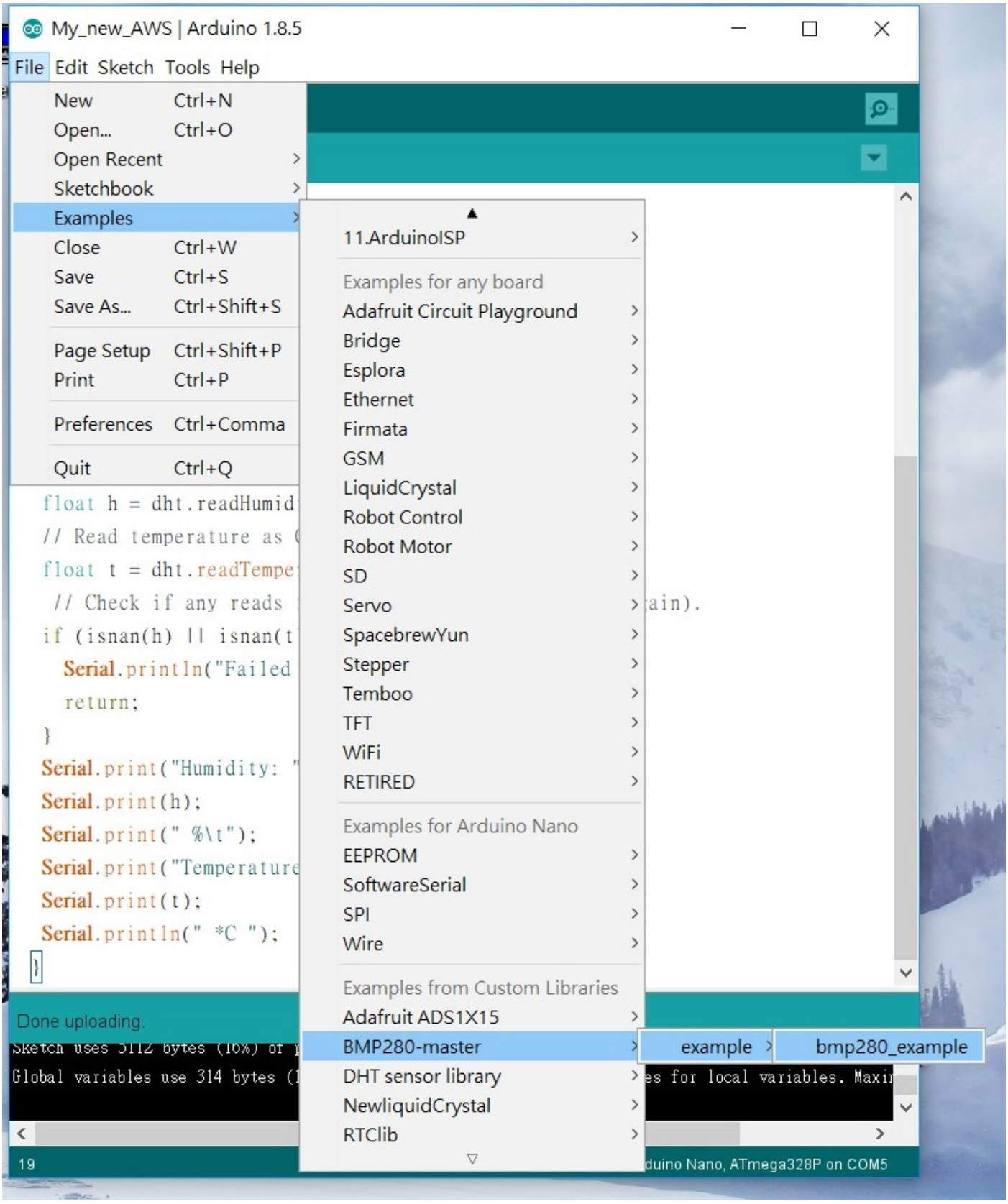
1. Connect BMP280 Vcc to 5V and GND to ground respectively
2. Connect BMP280 SCL to Adruino A5
3. Connect BMP280 SDA to Adruino A4



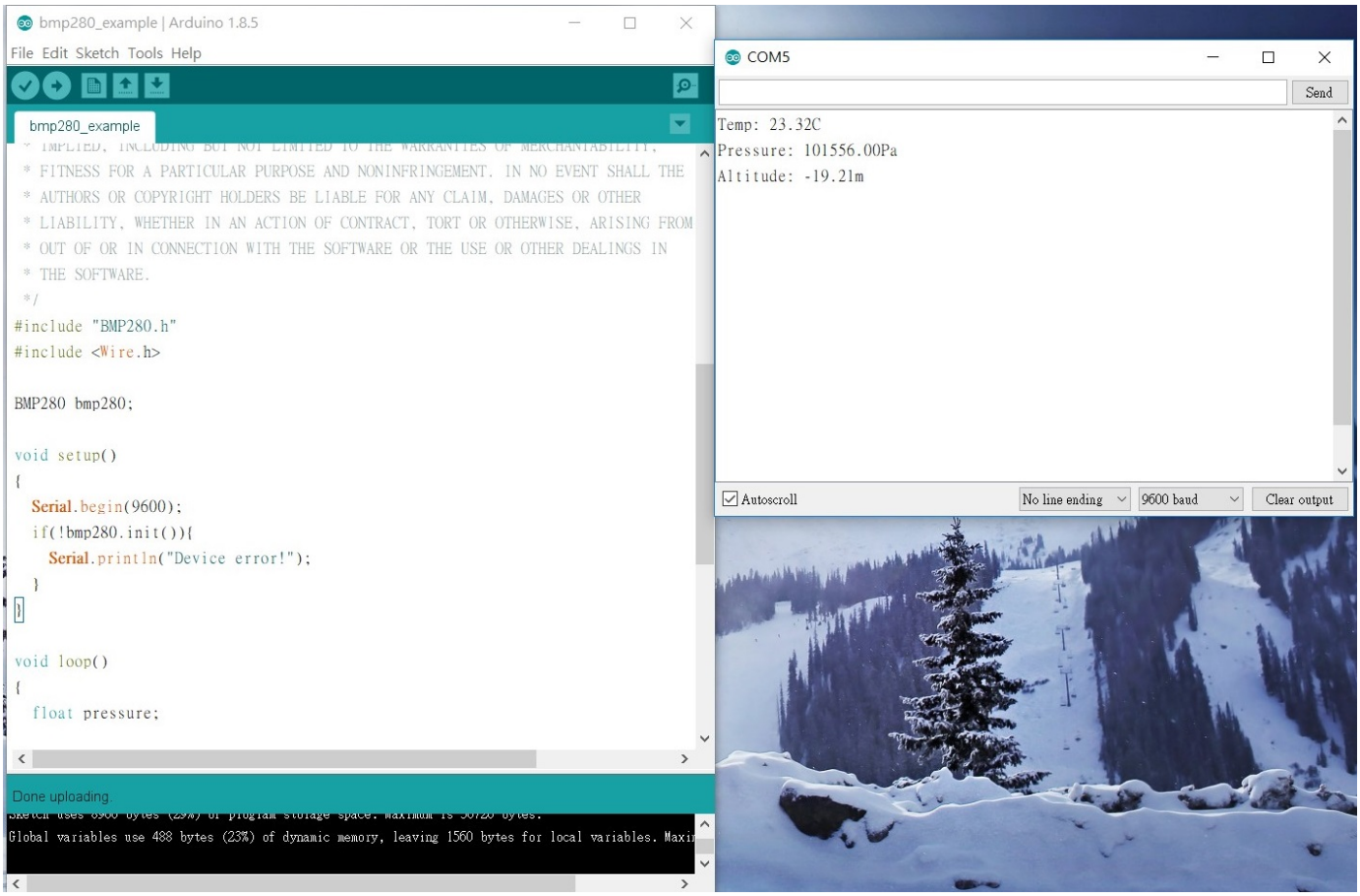


4.2 Choosing an Example file in BMP280 library

Choose the bmp280_example file from the BMP280-master library as shown below:

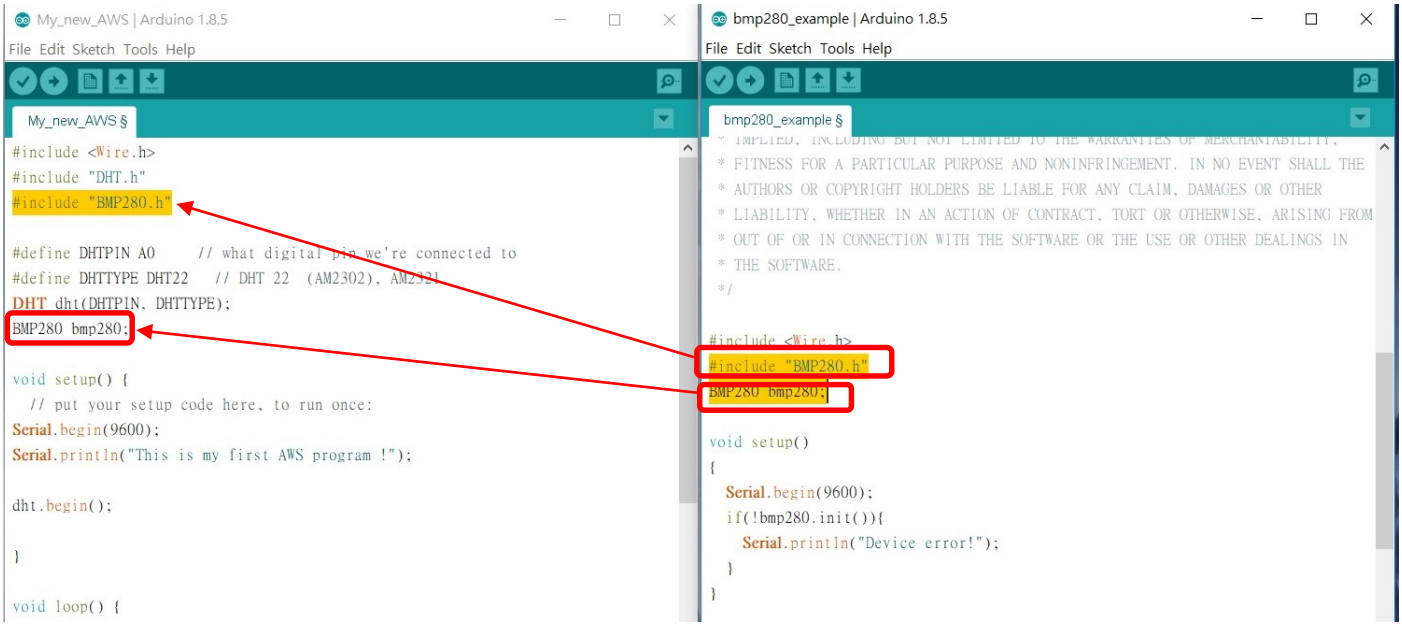


Compile and upload the program to Arduino Nano and see the results.

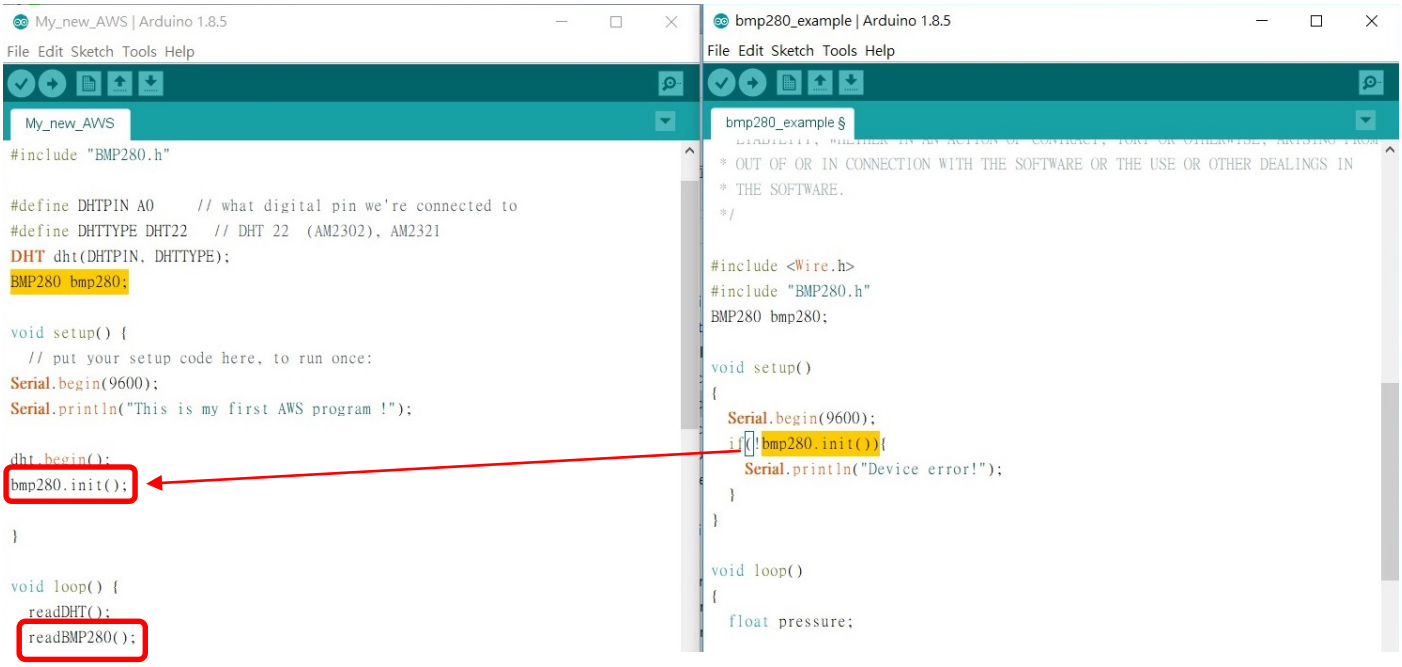


4.3 Modifying My_new_AWS file to include the BMP280 sensor program

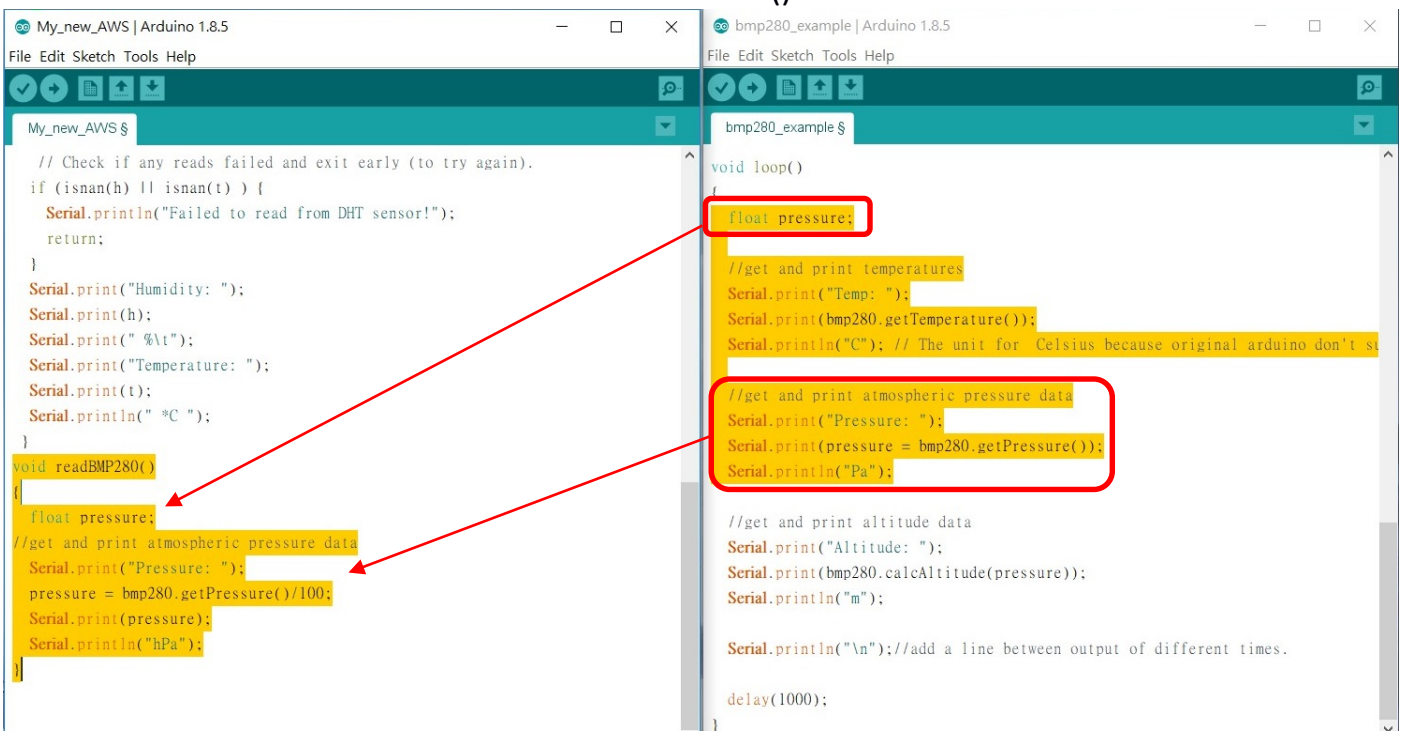
Open My_new_AWS file and copy the below lines from bmp280_example file to the file.



In setup(), add bmp.init(); as shown. In loop(), add readBMP(); as shown.



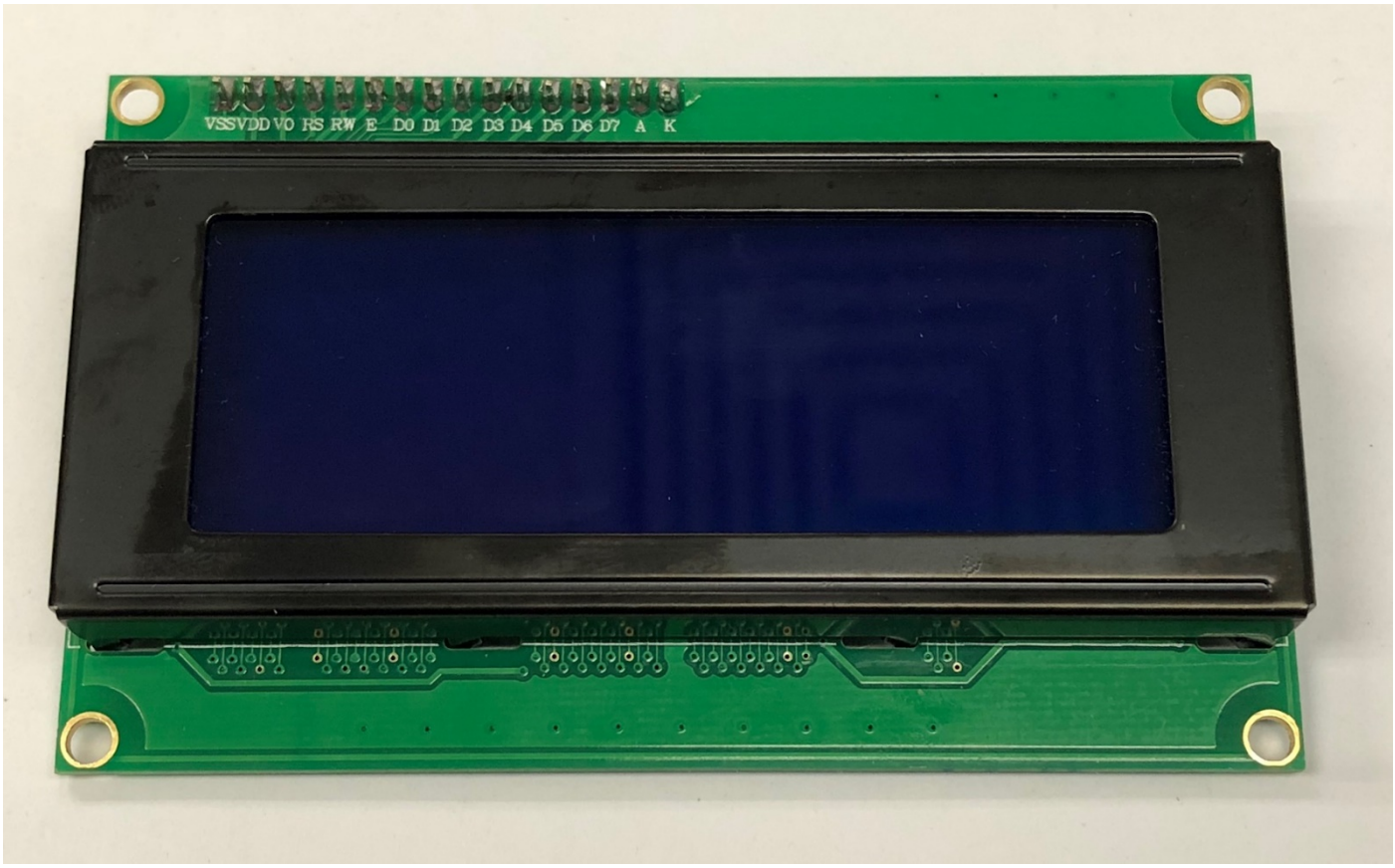
Create a new subroutine void readBMP280() as shown below:



Compile and upload the program to see the results! Remember to save your My_new_AWS file again!

5. Installing a LCD Display

Front view



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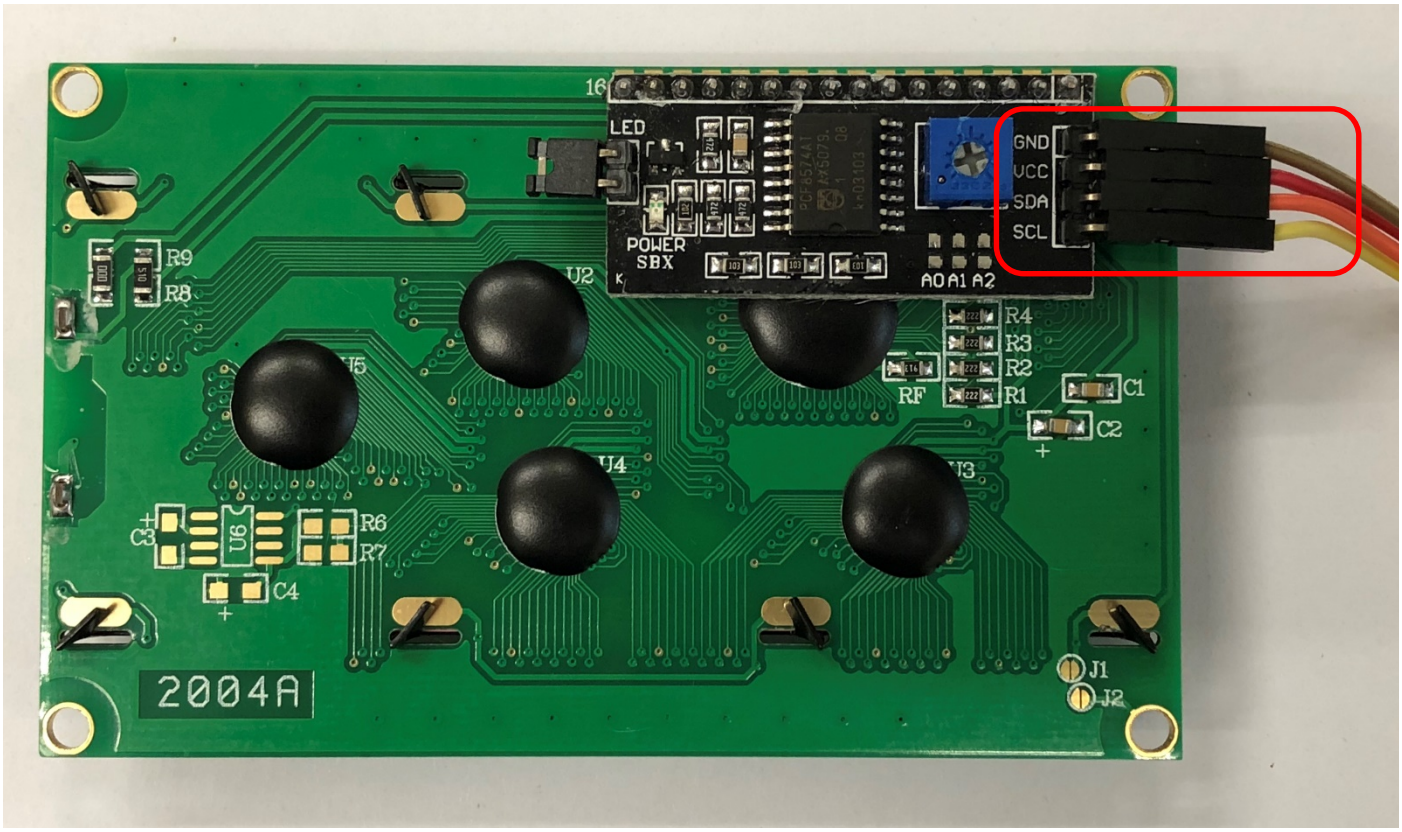
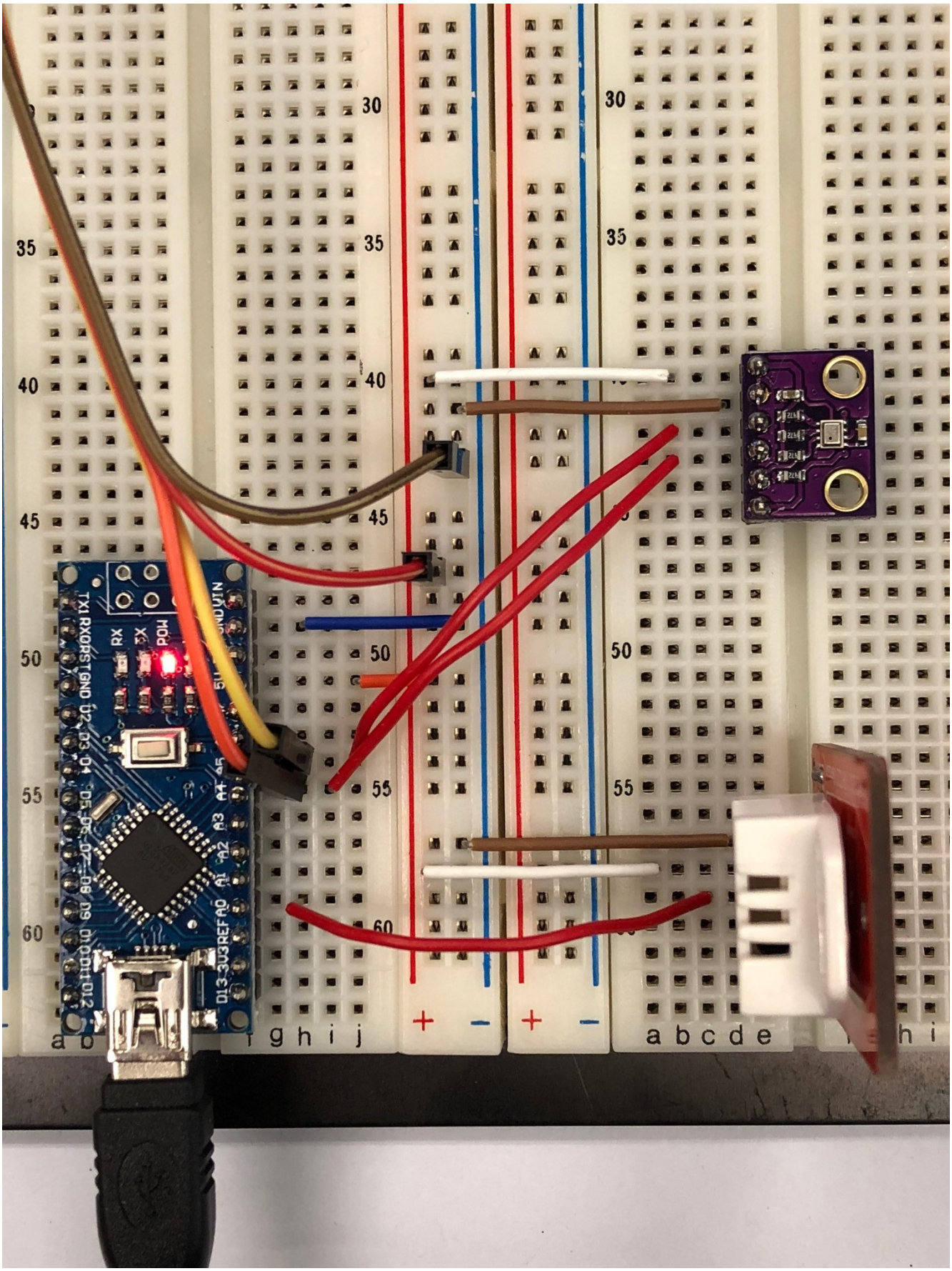


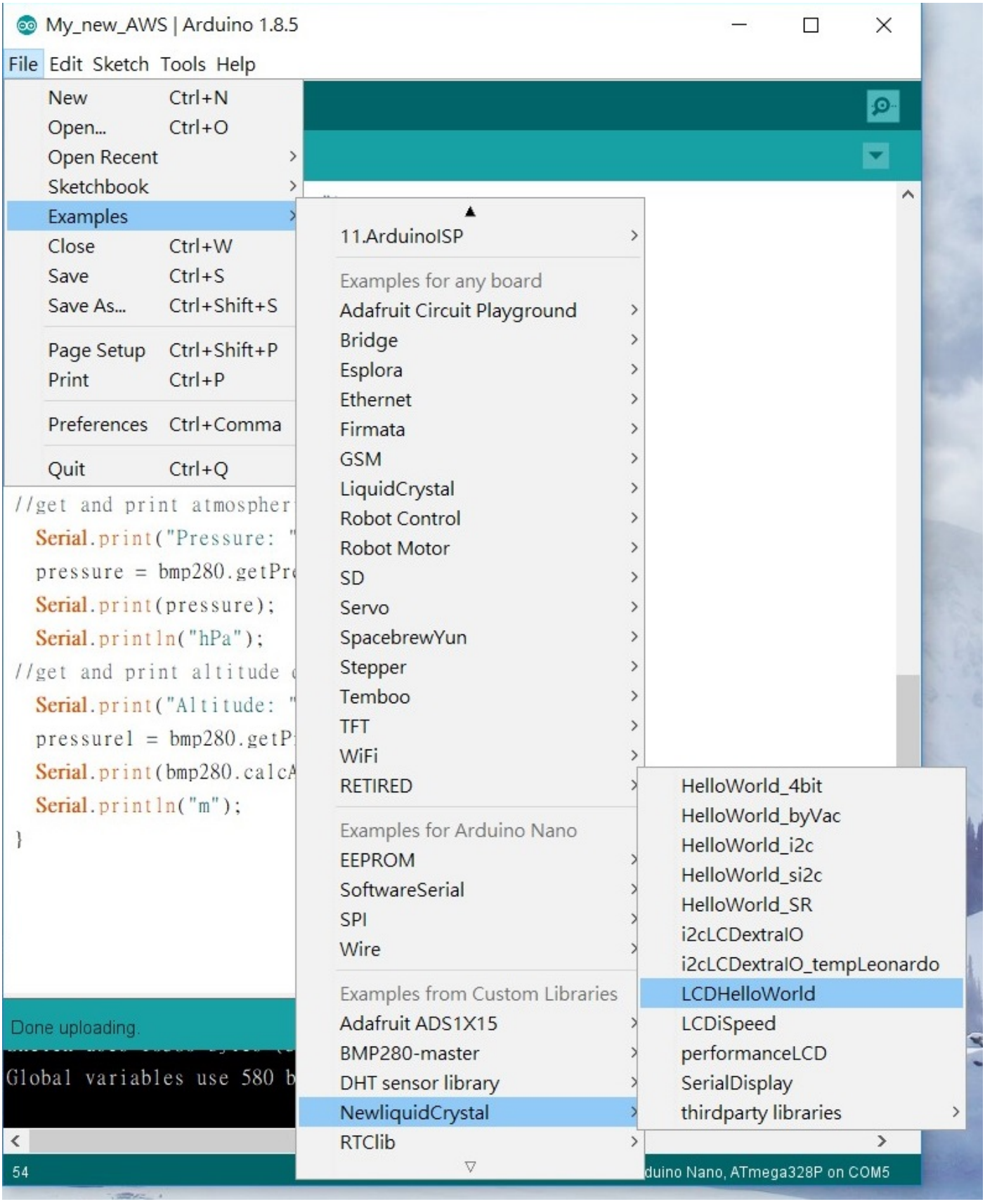
5.1 Wiring

1. Connect LCD Vcc to 5V and GND to ground respectively
2. Connect LCD SCL to Adruino A5
3. Connect LCD SDA to Adruino A4

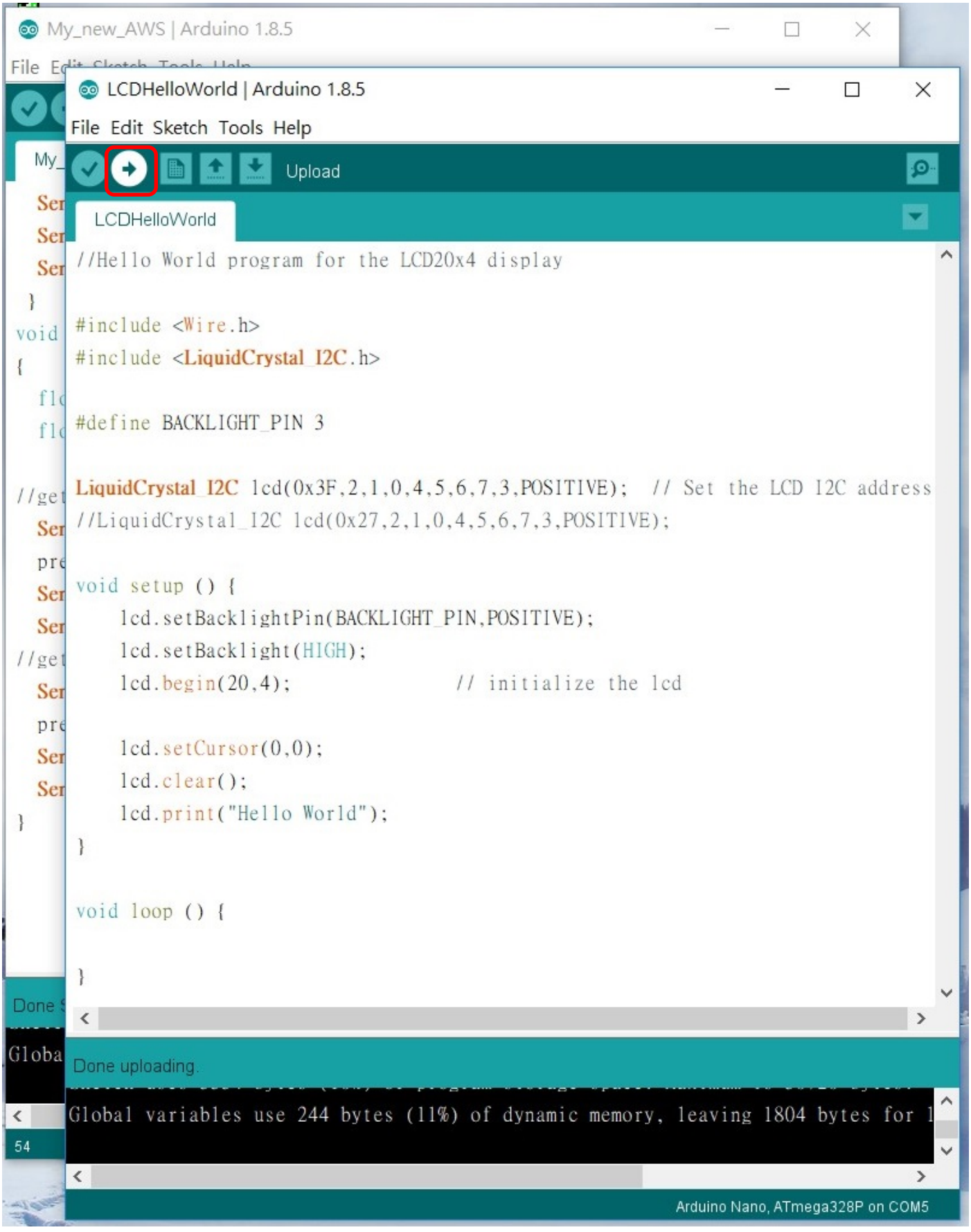


5.2 Choosing an Example file in the NewliquidCrystal library

Choose the LCDHellowWorld example file from the NewliquidCrystal library as shown.



Compile and upload the LCDHellowWorld program to Arduino Nano and see the output shown on the LCD display.



5.3 Modifying the My_new_AWS file to display information on the LCD display

Copy the highlighted lines in the header and setup() sections from LCDHellowWorld to the My_new_AWS.

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```
#include <Wire.h>
#include "DHT.h"
#include "BMP280.h"
#include <LiquidCrystal_I2C.h>

#define DHTPIN A0     // what digital pin we're connected to
#define DHTTYPE DHT22   // DHT 22  (AM2302), AM2321
#define BACKLIGHT_PIN 3
DHT dht(DHTPIN, DHTTYPE);
BMP280 bmp280;
LiquidCrystal_I2C lcd(0x3F,2,1,0,4,5,6,7,3,POSITIVE);  // Set the LCD I2C address
//LiquidCrystal_I2C lcd(0x27,2,1,0,4,5,6,7,3,POSITIVE);

void setup() {
  // put your setup code here, to run once:
Serial.begin(9600);
    lcd.setBacklightPin(BACKLIGHT_PIN,POSITIVE);
    lcd.setBacklight(HIGH);
    lcd.begin(20,4);               // initialize the lcd

dht.begin();
bmp280.init();
```

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LCDHelloWorld

```
//Hello World program for the LCD20x4 display

#include <Wire.h>
#include <LiquidCrystal_I2C.h>

#define BACKLIGHT_PIN 3

LiquidCrystal_I2C lcd(0x3F,2,1,0,4,5,6,7,3,POSITIVE);  // Set the LCD I2C address
//LiquidCrystal_I2C lcd(0x27,2,1,0,4,5,6,7,3,POSITIVE);

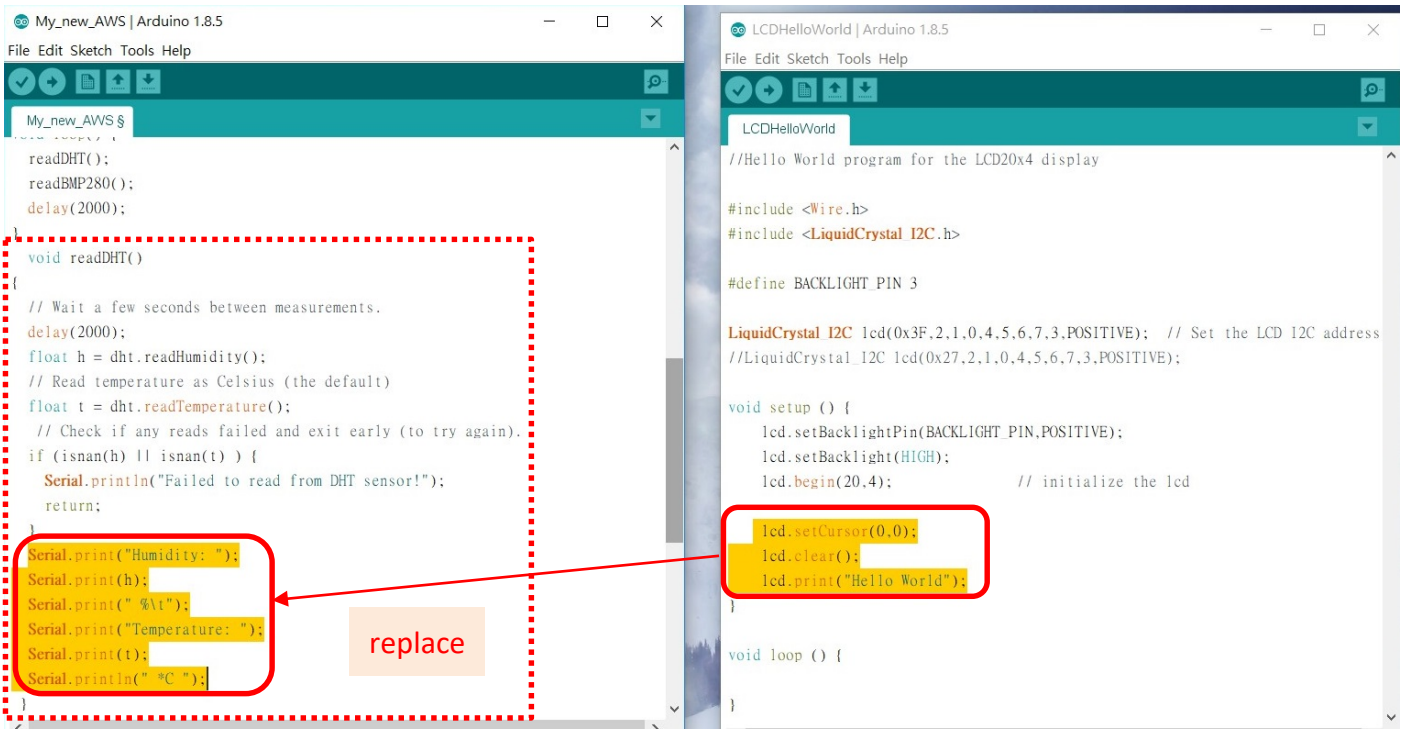
void setup () {
    lcd.setBacklightPin(BACKLIGHT_PIN,POSITIVE);
    lcd.setBacklight(HIGH);
    lcd.begin(20,4);               // initialize the lcd

    lcd.setCursor(0,0);
    lcd.clear();
    lcd.print("Hello World");
}

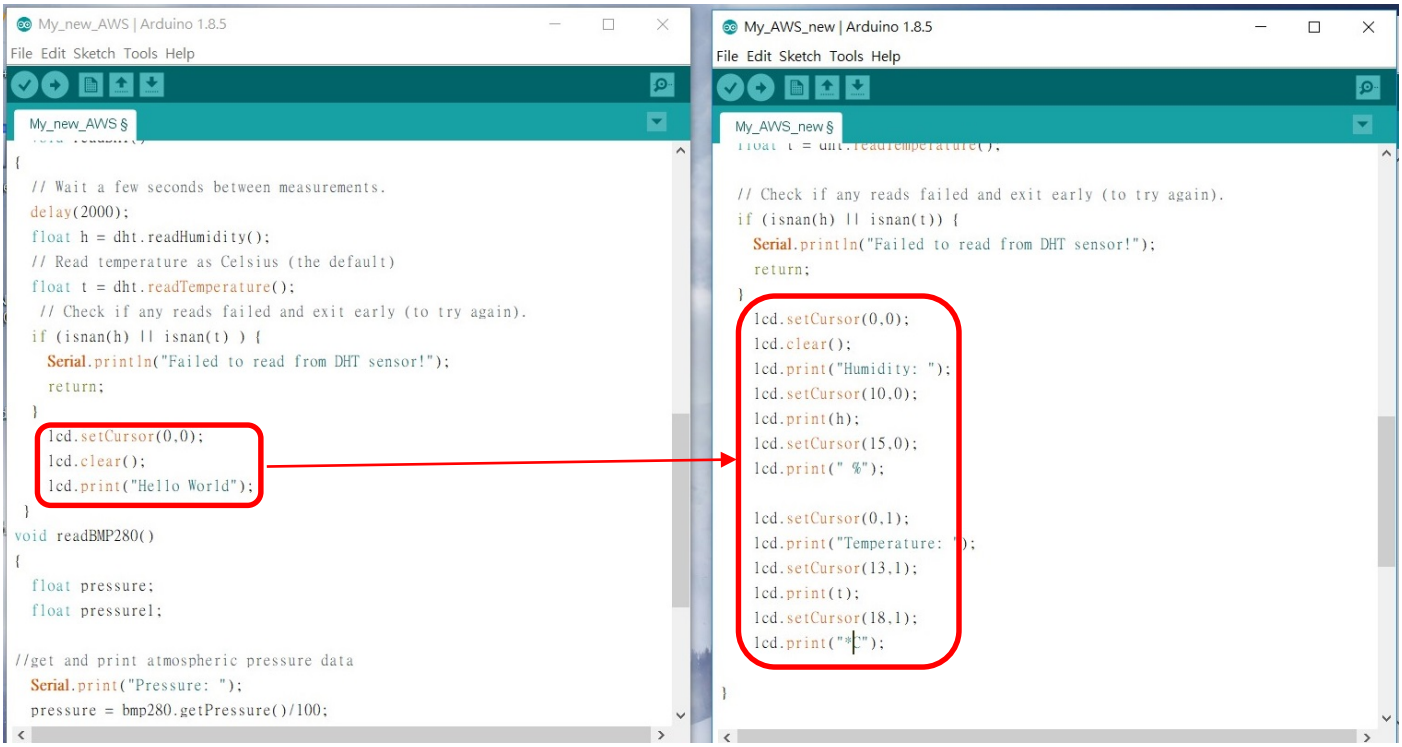
void loop () {

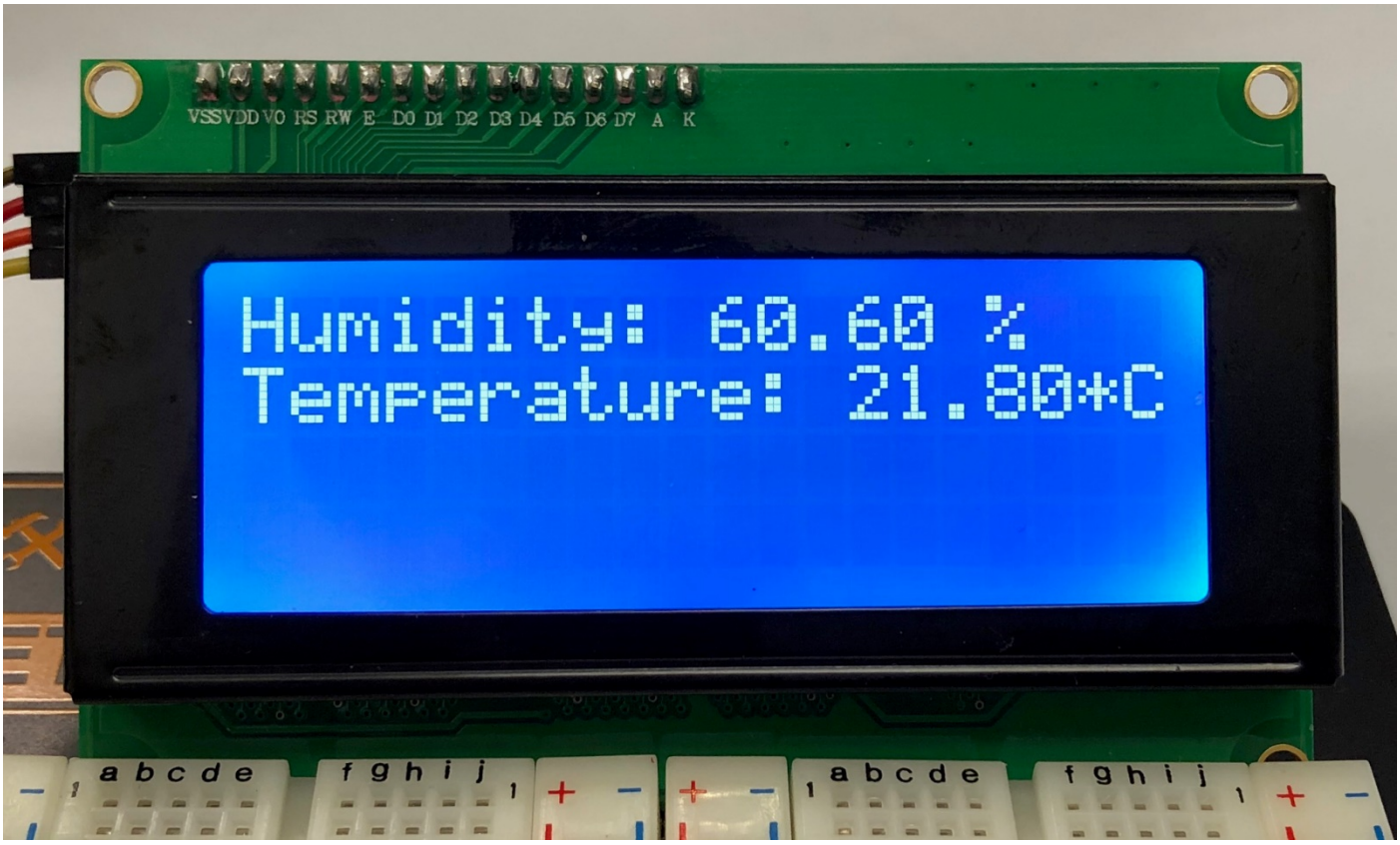
}
```

Copy the following 3 highlighted lines from LCDHellowWorld to the readDHT() subroutine.



In the readDHT() subroutine, change the code in My_new_AWS as shown below.





In the readBMP280() subroutine, change the code in My_new_AWS as shown below.

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My_new_AWS

```
    lcd.print(t);
    lcd.setCursor(18,1);
    lcd.print("*C");
 }
void readBMP280()
{
  float pressure;
  float pressure1;

//get and print atmospheric pressure data
  Serial.print("Pressure: ");
  pressure = bmp280.getPressure()/100;
  Serial.print(pressure);
  Serial.println("hPa");
//get and print altitude data
  Serial.print("Altitude: ");
  pressure1 = bmp280.getPressure();
  Serial.print(bmp280.calcAltitude(pressure1));
  Serial.println("m");
}
```

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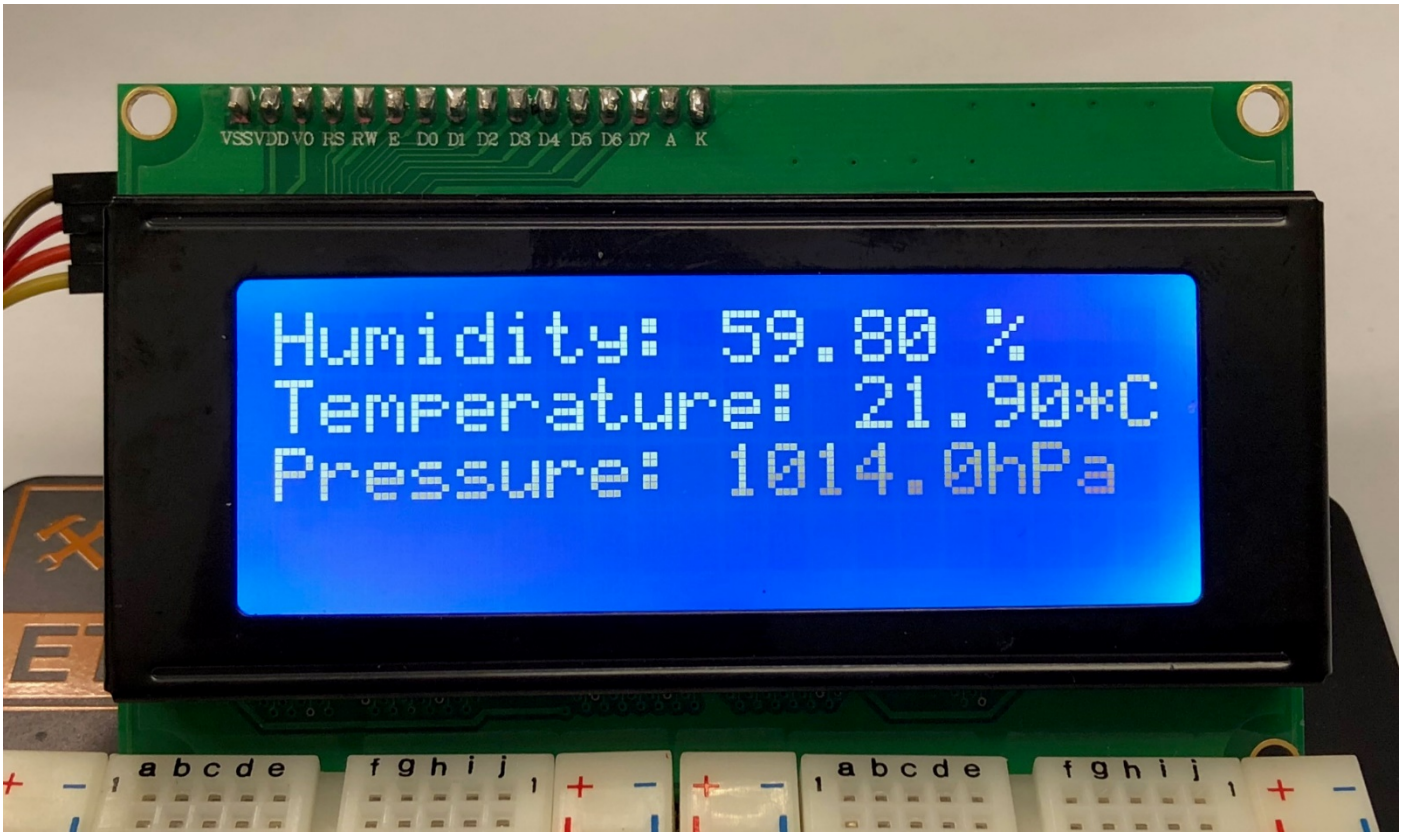
```
}

void readBMP280()
{
  float pressure;
  float pressure1;

  pressure = bmp280.getPressure()/100;
  pressure1 = bmp280.getPressure();
   lcd.setCursor(0,2);
   lcd.print("Pressure: ");
   lcd.setCursor(10,2);
   lcd.print(pressure);
   lcd.setCursor(16,2);
   lcd.print("hPa");
   lcd.setCursor(0,3);
   lcd.print("Altitude: ");
   lcd.setCursor(9,3);
   lcd.print(bmp280.calcAltitude(pressure1));
   lcd.setCursor(16,3);
   lcd.print("m");
}
```

Compile and upload the program to Arduino Nano and see the LCD display.



Try adding "//" for lines on the left screen and compare the effects on the LCD display.

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```
void readBMP280()
{
  float pressure;
  //float pressure1;

   pressure = bmp280.getPressure()/100;
   //pressure1 = bmp280.getPressure();
   lcd.setCursor(0,2);
   lcd.print("Pressure: ");
   lcd.setCursor(10,2);
   lcd.print(pressure);
   lcd.setCursor(16,2);
   lcd.print("hPa");
   //lcd.setCursor(0,3);
   //lcd.print("Altitude: ");
   //lcd.setCursor(9,3);
   //lcd.print(bmp280.calcAltitude(pressure1));
   //lcd.setCursor(16,3);
   //lcd.print("m");
}
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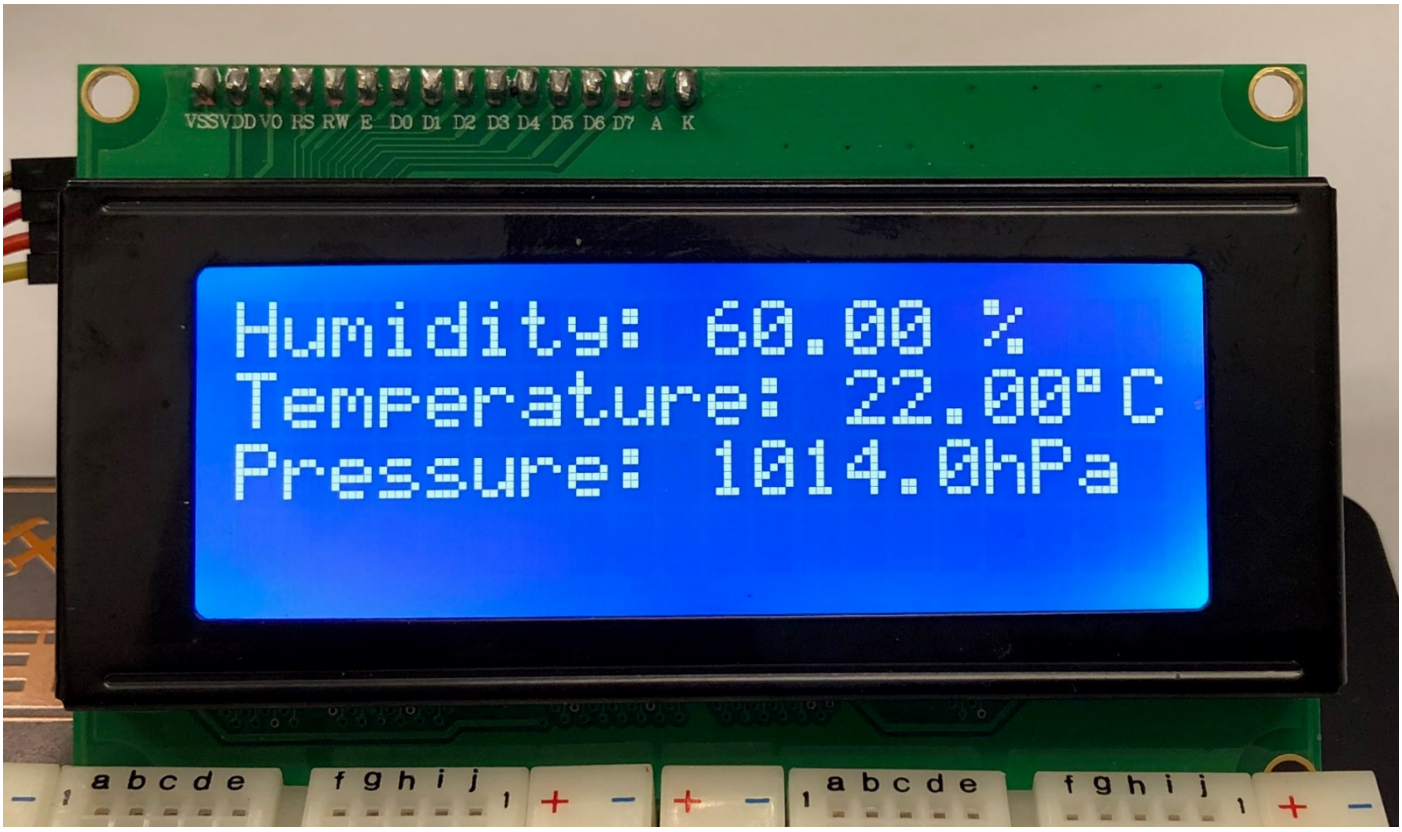
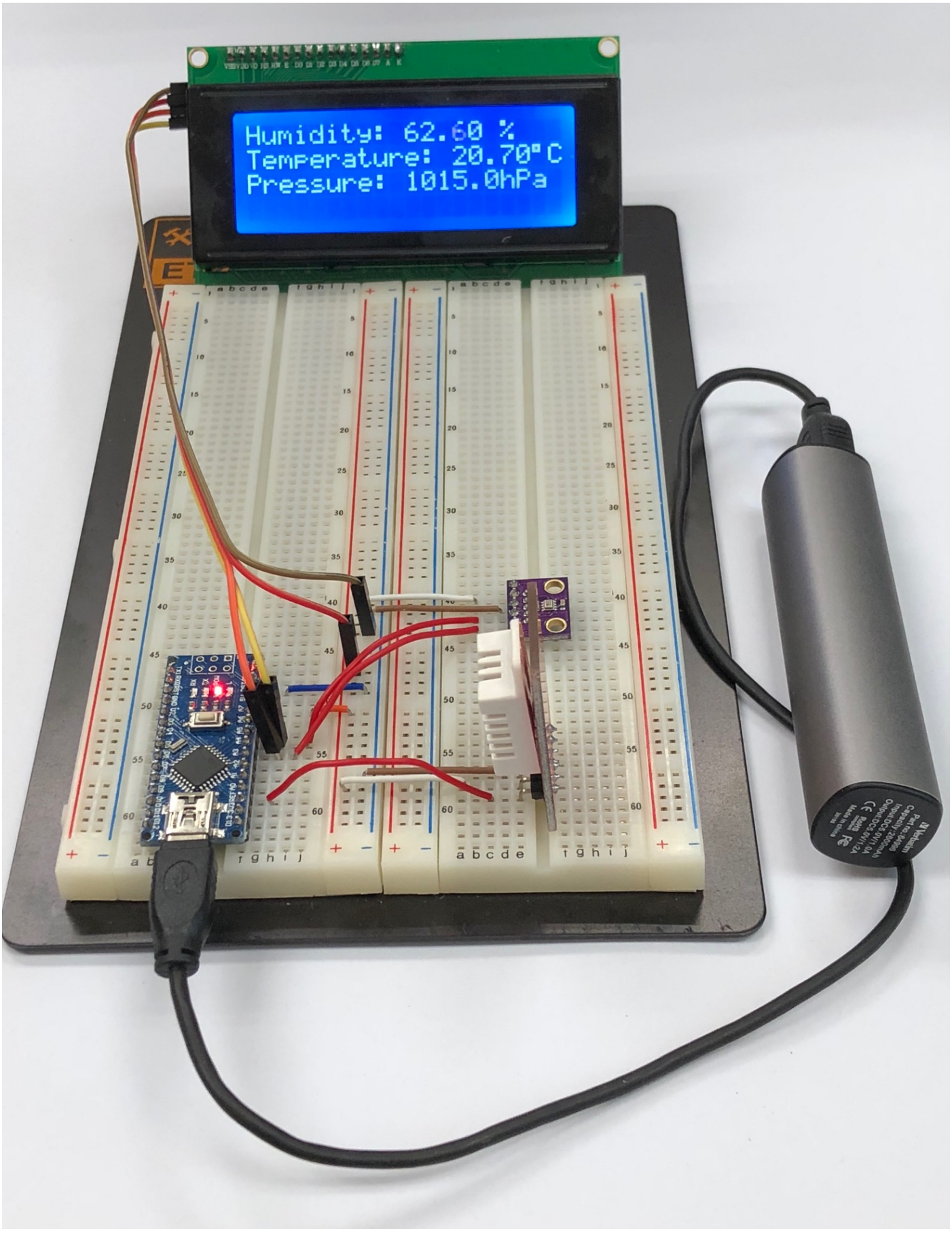
If you want to output the degree symbol °C, try to change the command lcd.print("C"); to lcd.print("\337C");



Congratulation! You have now completed your My_new_AWS project!


Humidity: 62.60 %
Temperature: 20.70°C
Pressure: 1015.0hPa