

Lesson 14 DHT11 Temperature and Humidity Sensor

Introduction

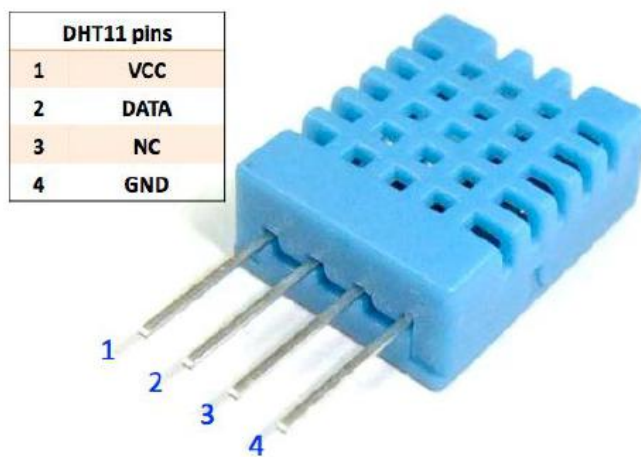
In this lesson, you will learn how to use a DHT11 Temperature and Humidity Sensor.

Hardware Required

- ✓ 1 * RexQualis UNO R3
- ✓ 1 * DHT11 Temperature and Humidity module
- ✓ 3 * F-M Jumper Wires

Principle

DHT11 Temperature and Humidity Sensor



DHT11 output calibrated digital signal. It applies exclusive digital-signal-collecting-technique and humidity sensing technology, assuring its reliability and stability. Its sensing elements are connected with an 8-bit single-chip computer. Every sensor of this model is temperature compensated and calibrated in an

accurate calibration chamber and the calibration-coefficient is saved in the type of program in OTP memory when the sensor is detecting, it will cite the coefficient from memory.

Small size & low consumption & long transmission distance(100m) enable DHT11 to be suited in all kinds of harsh application occasions. Single-row packaged with four pins, making the connection very convenient.

Supply voltage: DC 3.3 to 5.5V

Measuring range (T) : -20 to +60 Celsius(-4 to +140 Fahrenheit)

Measuring range (RH): 5 to 95% relative humidity

Typ. Temperature accuracy: ± 2 Celsius

Typ. Humidity accuracy: $\pm 5\%$ RH at 25 Celsius

Long term drift(T): <1 Celsius/year

Long term drift(RH) : <1%RH/year

Resolution(T): 0.1 Celsius

Resolution(RH): 1%RH

Sensor Type: Capacitive sensor

Interface: One line digital

Housing material: ABS

Net weight: 1g

Code interpretation

```
#define DHT11_PIN 0 // pin A0
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```
byte read_dht11_dat()

{

    byte i = 0;

    byte result=0;

    for(i=0; i< 8; i++){

        while(!(PINC & _BV(DHT11_PIN))); // wait for 50us

        delayMicroseconds(30);

        if(PINC & _BV(DHT11_PIN))

            result |= (1<<(7-i));

        while((PINC & _BV(DHT11_PIN))); // wait '1' finish

    }

    return result;

}

void setup()

{

    DDRC |= _BV(DHT11_PIN);

    PORTC |= _BV(DHT11_PIN);

    Serial.begin(19200);

    Serial.println("Ready");

}

void loop()
```

```
{  
  
    byte dht11_dat[5];  
  
    byte dht11_in;  
  
    byte i;  
  
    // start condition  
  
    // 1. pull-down i/o pin from 18ms  
  
    PORTC &= ~_BV(DHT11_PIN);  
  
    delay(18);  
  
    PORTC |= _BV(DHT11_PIN);  
  
    delayMicroseconds(40);  
  
    DDRC &= ~_BV(DHT11_PIN);  
  
    delayMicroseconds(40);  
  
    dht11_in= PINC & _BV(DHT11_PIN);  
  
    if(dht11_in){  
  
        Serial.println("dht11 start condition 1 not met");  
  
        return;  
    }  
  
    delayMicroseconds(80);  
  
    dht11_in = PINC & _BV(DHT11_PIN);  
  
    if(!dht11_in){  
  
        Serial.println("dht11 start condition 2 not met");  
    }  
}
```

```
return;

}

delayMicroseconds(80);

// now ready for data reception

for (i=0; i<5; i++)

dht11_dat[i] = read_dht11_dat();

DDRC |= _BV(DHT11_PIN);

PORTC |= _BV(DHT11_PIN);

byte dht11_check_sum =
dht11_dat[0]+dht11_dat[1]+dht11_dat[2]+dht11_dat[3];

// check check_sum

if(dht11_dat[4]!= dht11_check_sum)

{

Serial.println("DHT11 checksum error");

}

Serial.print("Current humidity = ");

Serial.print(dht11_dat[0], DEC);

Serial.print(".");

Serial.print(dht11_dat[1], DEC);

Serial.print("% ");

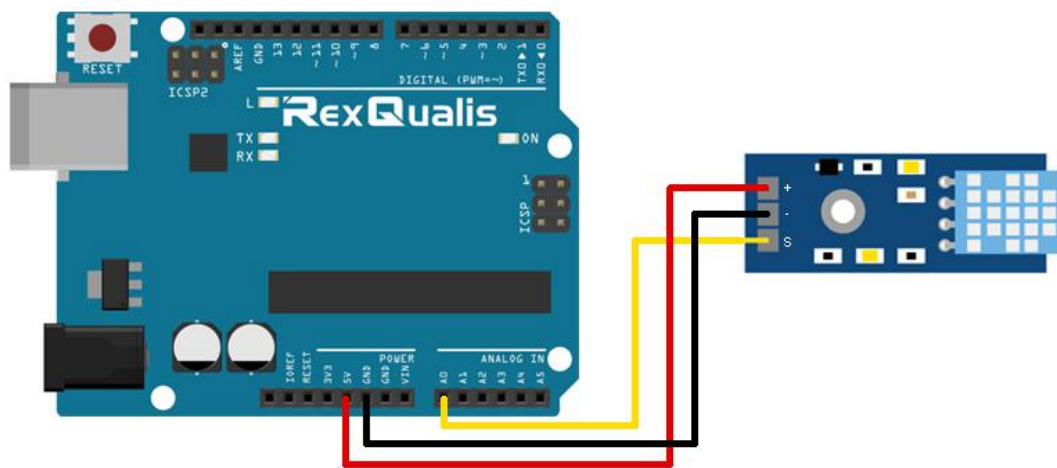
Serial.print("temperature = ");

Serial.print(dht11_dat[2], DEC);
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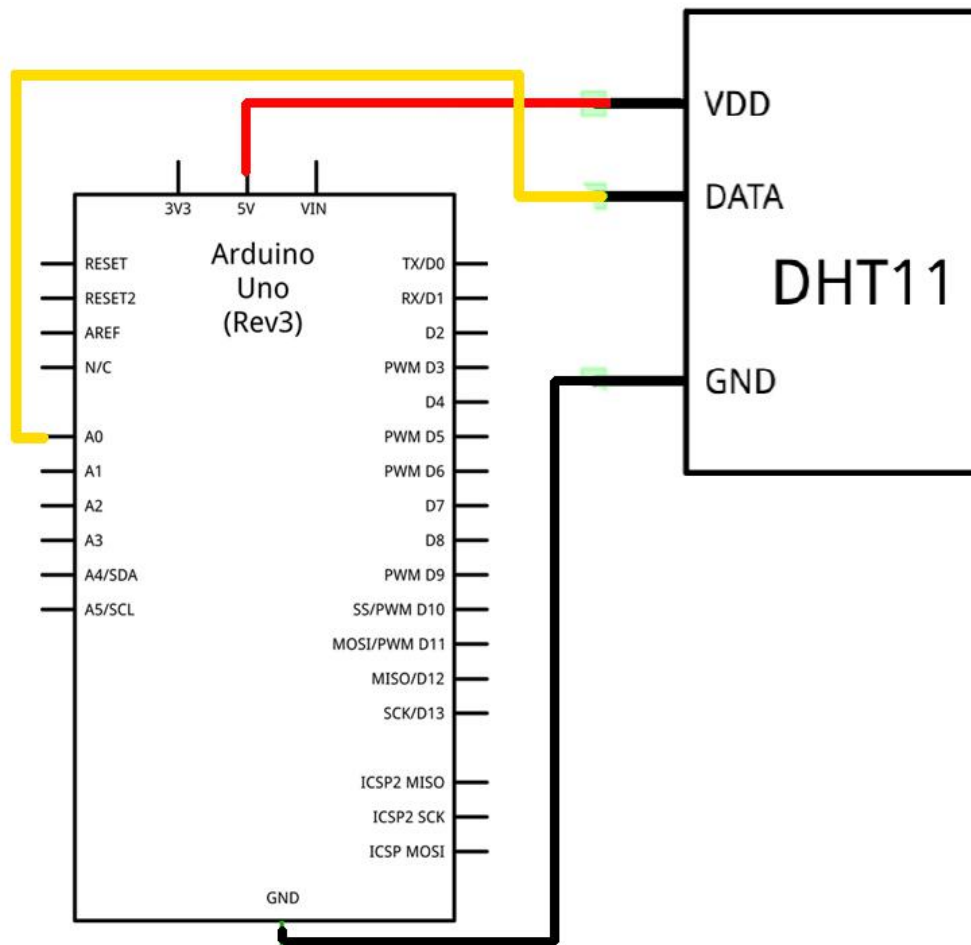
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Serial.print(".");  
  
Serial.print(dht11_dat[3], DEC);  
  
Serial.println("C ");  
  
delay(2000);  
  
}
```

Experimental Procedures

Step 1: Build the circuit

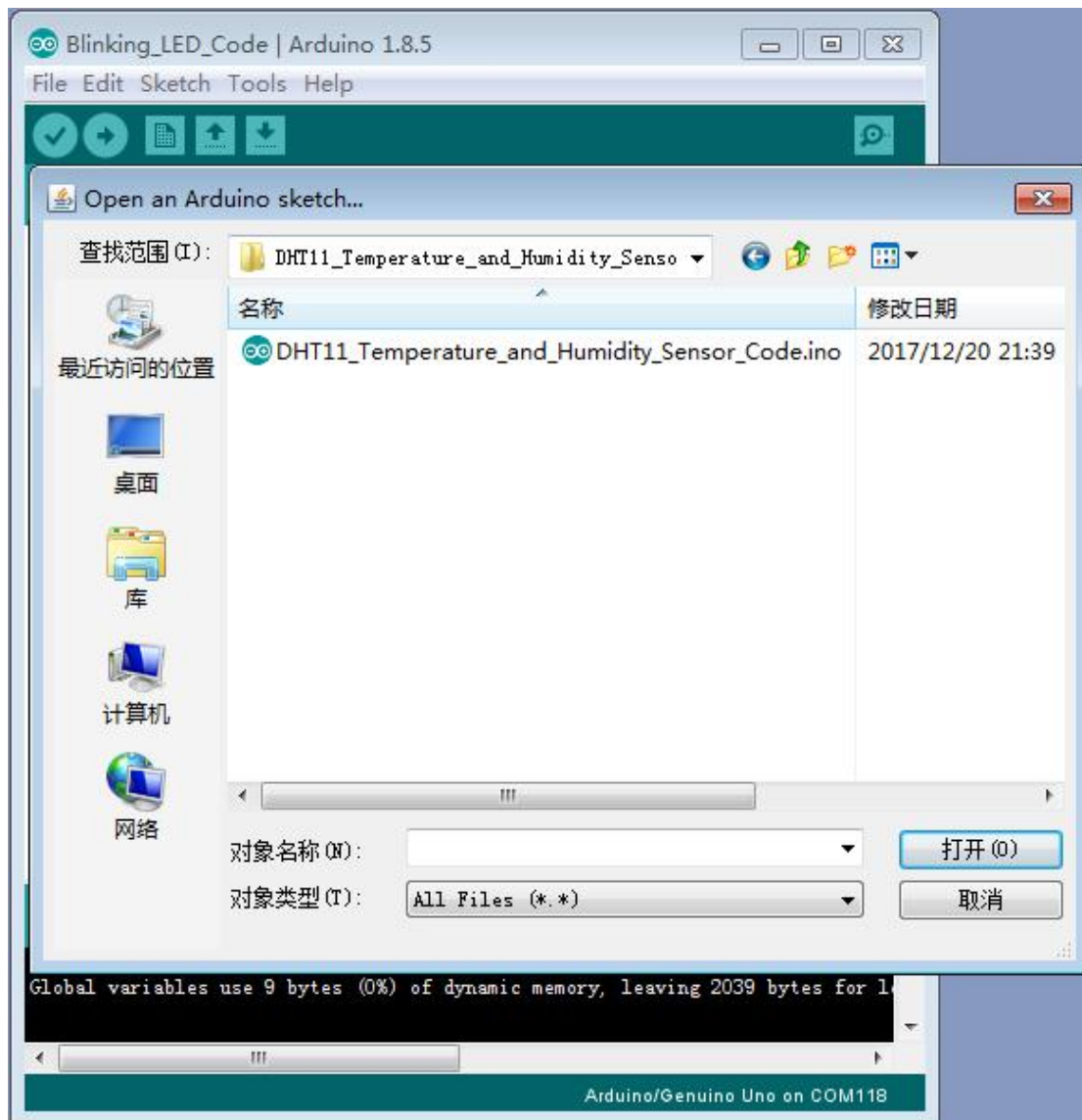


Schematic Diagram



Step 2: Open the code:

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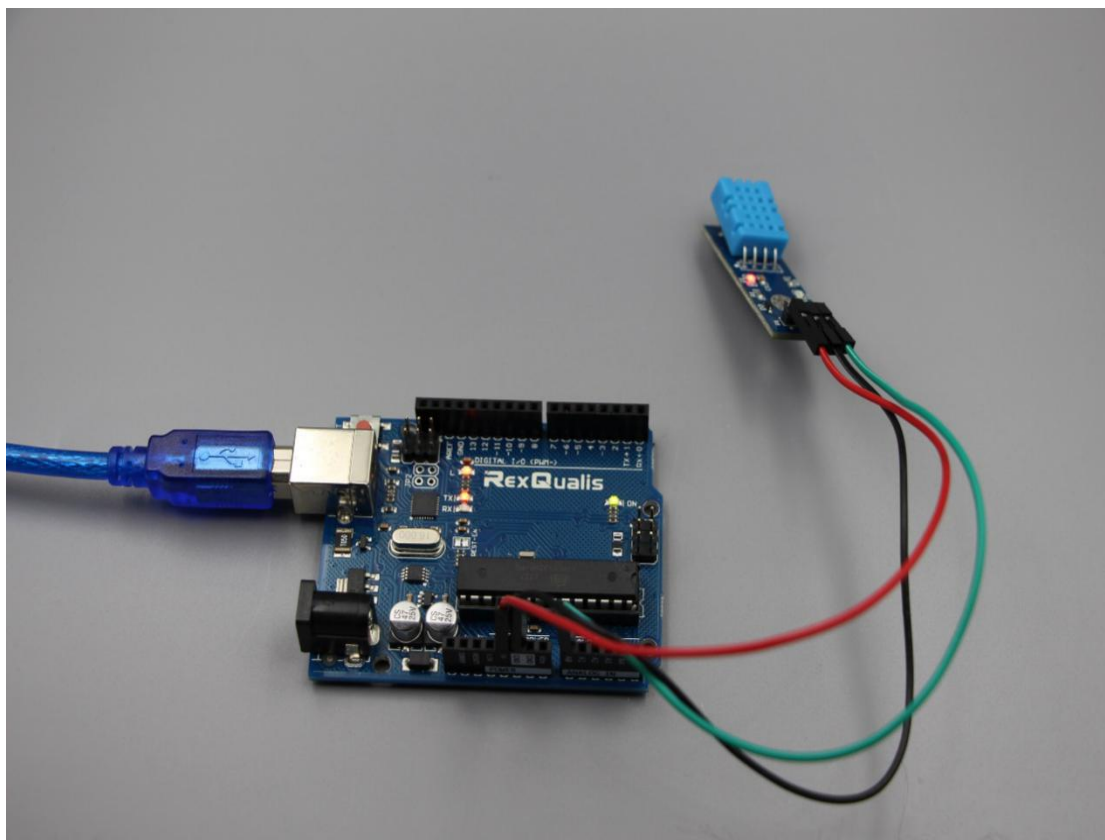
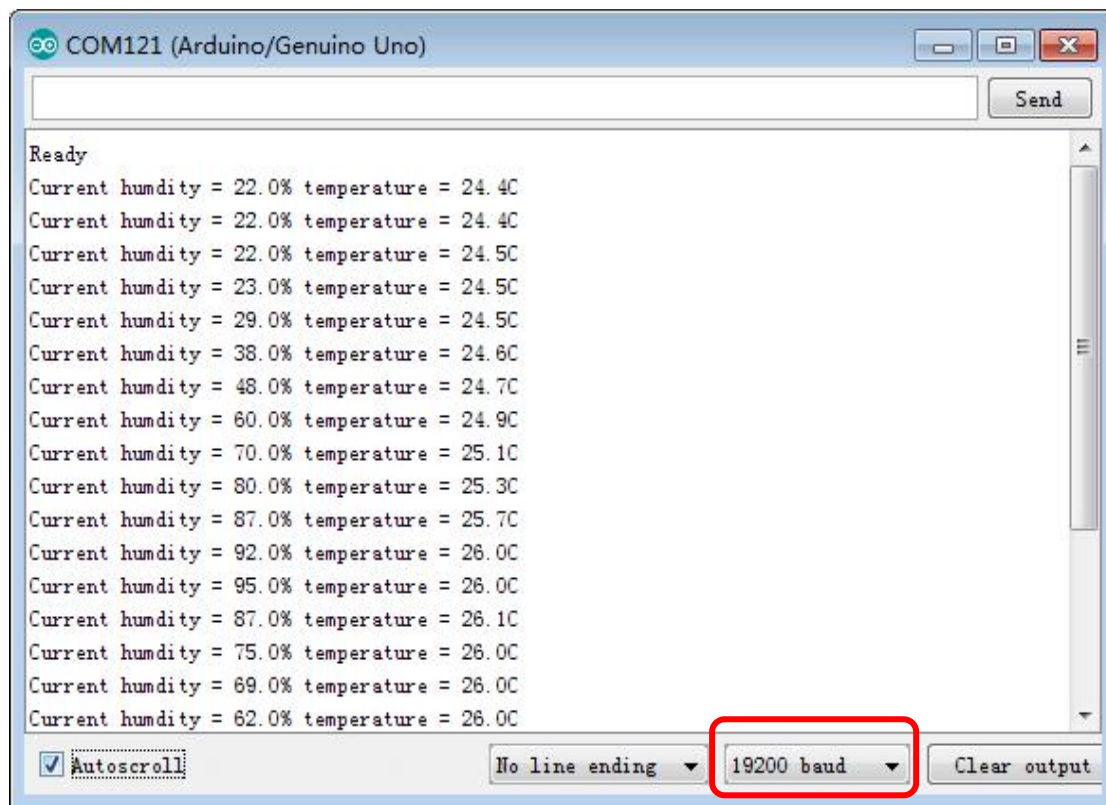


Step 3: Attach Arduino UNO R3 board to your computer via USB cable and check that the 'Board Type' and 'Serial Port' are set correctly.

Step 4: Upload the code to the RexQualis UNO R3 board.

Step 5: Open the Serial Monitor, alter the baud rate to 19200, then you can see the data as below:

(How to use the Serial Monitor is introduced in details in Lesson 0 Preface)



If it isn' t working, make sure you have assembled the circuit correctly, verified and uploaded the code to your board. For how to upload the code and install the library, check Lesson 0 Preface.