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In this reading, we are going to first generate a binary file representing the KWS model with our favorite keywords from Course 2 and then deploy that model to our Arduino using the Arduino IDE (which will include some code changes).

Converting the TFLite Model File into a Binary Array

Again we are going to first convert the .tflite file into a .cc file in Colab for use with the Arduino IDE. This time let's use a model with different keywords (and a different number of keywords), so we can explore more of the changes you will need to make to deploy custom models. We've provided you with one option for a model in the Colab below. That said, we also invite you to use your favorite KWS model you created in Course 2 if you happen to still have the .tflite file! If you'd like to go back and train a new .tflite file, you can find the training Colab at this link.

As with the pretrained model, we will be using the resulting .cc file, so make sure to download it or leave the tab open with the printout!

https://colab.research.google.com/github/tinyMLx/colabs/blob/master/4-5-18-KWS-FavoriteKeywords.ipynb

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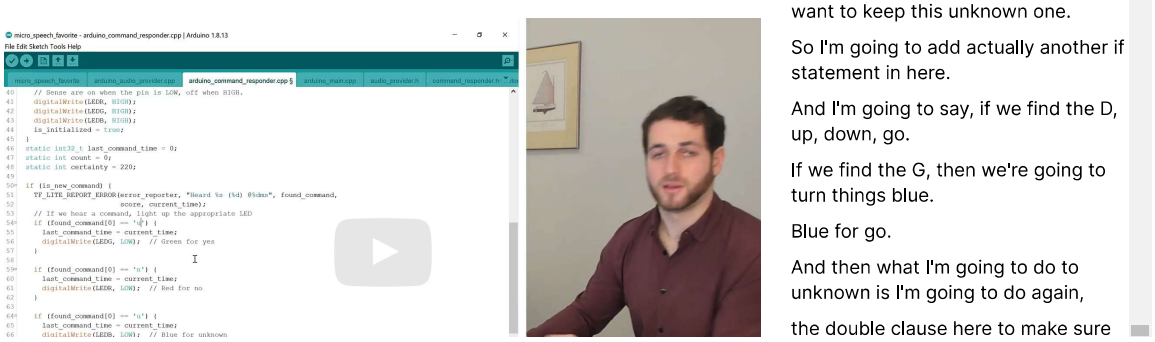

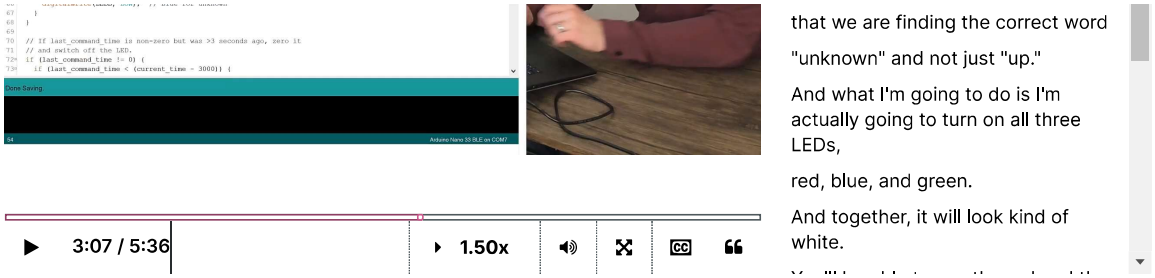

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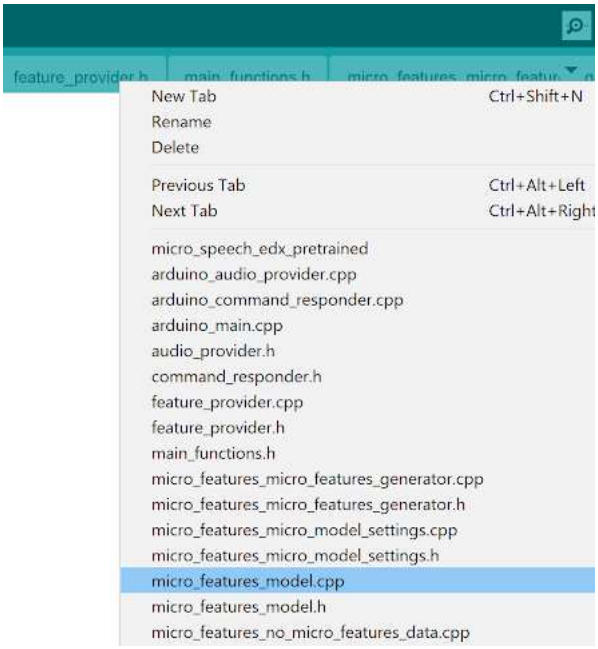
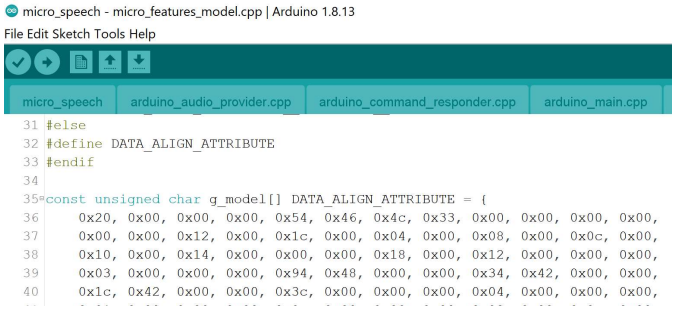
Updating the Arduino Code

1. Open the micro_speech.ino sketch, which you can find via the File drop-down menu. Navigate, as follows: File → Examples → Harvard_TinyMLx → micro_speech.
2. As before, navigate to the micro_features_model.cpp file and update the model. You can find that file by selecting it from tabs across the top of the Arduino IDE. If that file is not visible you can navigate to it (or other additional files) by clicking on the downward facing triangle at the end of the tabs which will open up a dropdown showing all of the files.



- Copy the binary model file contents from the KWS_favorite.cc file into the micro_features_model.cpp file. **Make sure to only copy the binary data inside the { } as the variable type is different in the downloaded or printed model.cc file** (it is of type unsigned char in the .cc file, but it needs to be of type const unsigned char with the DATA_ALIGN_ATTRIBUTE in the .cpp file). If you lost your KWS_favorite.cc file, don't worry, you can use the staff's copy!

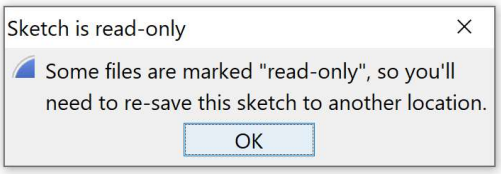


```
    0x01, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x0c, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x08, 0x00, 0x0c, 0x00,
    0x04, 0x00, 0x08, 0x00, 0x08, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x08, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00,
```

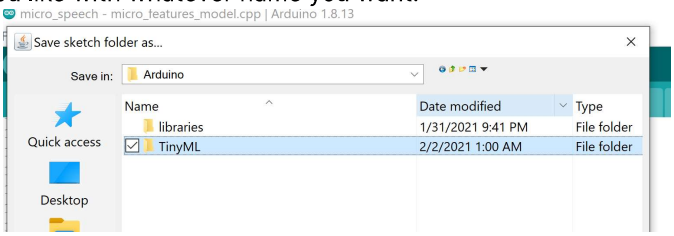
- Next, scroll all the way down to the bottom of the file and replace the model length. Again, note that the .cpp file needs the variable to be of type const int while the .cc file will show unsigned int. Our suggestion again is to simply copy the numerical value.

```
    0x02, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00
    0x06, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x16
    0x00, 0x00, 0x08, 0x00, 0x0a, 0x00
    0x04, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00
    0x00, 0x00, 0x08, 0x00, 0x0a, 0x00
    0x03, 0x00, 0x00, 0x00};
const int g_model_len = 18712;
```

3. Next, save your changes. You will most likely see a popup as shown below asking you to save a copy of the example as all examples are treated as “read-only” by default.



Again, we suggest that you make a folder called e.g., TinyML inside of your Arduino folder. You can find your main Arduino folder either inside of your Documents folder or in your Home folder, and save it in that folder with a descriptive name like micro_speech_favorite. That said, you can save it wherever you like with whatever name you want!



4. The two other things we need to change are the count and list of keywords in the model settings files and the output response file. As we do that in the rest of this document, we are going to assume that you used our model with the Keywords “up,down,go.” If you choose to use different keywords, make sure that you update the following steps accordingly.

5. Navigate to the micro_features_micro_model_settings.h file and scroll down to line 40 and change the value of the kCategoryCount variable to be two more than the number of keywords you selected (one extra for silence and one extra for unknown). For example, if you had 3 keywords (as we do in our example model), we need to update the variable to be 3 + 2 = 5 as shown:

```
constexpr int
kCategoryCount = 5;
```

6. Then, navigate to the micro_features_micro_model_settings.cpp file. You’ll find that it includes the .h file and otherwise has a single array. Update the values of that array to match your keywords. **Make sure to leave “silence” and “unknown” in the list as well, and make sure to list your keywords in the order that you listed them on the training script**. So, in the case of our example model, we would update the array to be:

```
const char* kCategoryLabels[kCategoryCount] = {
    "silence",
    "unknown",
    "up",
```

```
    "down",
    "go",
};
```

7. Finally, navigate to the arduino_command_responder.cpp file. Scroll down to line 54. There, you will see a series of if statements that control how the Arduino responds to each command. They are each structured to look at the value of the found_command variable. This variable will be the string of the keyword (or “silence” or “unknown”) you entered into the kCategoryLabels array in the previous step. So, by comparing the [0] value in that string, the if statements are simply looking at the first letter! In each if statement, you’ll also see a digitalWrite to either the LEDG, LEDR, or LEDB variable which is used to turn on the appropriate color LED. So, if we wanted to adapt this to our three keywords and, for example, only turn on the single colors for our keywords and turn all of the colors on for unknown, which will come out look white, we could update those three if statements to the following:

```
// Red for up -- note here that you do not need to index
//               into the first letter only, just a unique
//               letter combination in the keyword! That
//               said make sure you do not index beyond the
//               end of ANY keyword or you will get an error!,
if(found_command[1] == 'p') {
   last_command_time = current_time;
   digitalWrite(LEDR, LOW);
}


// Green for down
if(found_command[0] == 'd') {
   last_command_time = current_time;
   digitalWrite(LEDG, LOW);
}


// Blue for go
if(found_command[0] == 'g') {
   last_command_time = current_time;
   digitalWrite(LEDB, LOW);
}


// All three for unknown (white)
if(found_command[1] == 'n') {
   last_command_time = current_time;
   digitalWrite(LEDR, LOW);
   digitalWrite(LEDG, LOW);
   digitalWrite(LEDB, LOW);
}
```

Deploying the New Model

1. Use a USB cable to connect the Arduino Nano 33 BLE Sense to your machine. You should see the green LED power indicator come on when the board first receives power.
2. As always, use the Tools drop-down menu to select the appropriate Port and Board.

- Select the Arduino Nano 33 BLE as the board by going to Tools → Board: <Current Board Name> → Arduino Mbed OS Boards (nRF52840) → Arduino Nano 33 BLE.
- Then, select the USB Port associated with your board. This will appear differently on Windows, macOS, Linux, but will likely indicate 'Arduino Nano 33 BLE" in parenthesis. You can select this by going to Tools → Port: <Current Port (Board on Port)> → <TBD Based on OS> (Arduino Nano 33 BLE). Where <TBD Based on OS> is most likely to come from the list below where <#> indicates some integer number.
  - Windows → COM<#>
  - macOS → /dev/cu.usbmodem<#>
  - Linux → ttyUSB<#> or ttyACM<#>

3. Use the rightward arrow next to the 'upload' / flash the code. You'll know the upload is complete when you see red text in the console at the bottom of the IDE that shows 100% upload of the code and a statement that says something like "Done in <#.#> seconds."
   If you receive an error, you will see an orange error bar appear and a red error message in the console (as shown below). Don't worry -- there are many common reasons this may have occurred. To help you debug, please check out our FAQ appendix with answers to the most common errors!

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