Interfacing with Displays

1. LCD (Liquid Crystal Display)

Interfacing with LCDs (Liquid Crystal Displays) involves connecting the display to an Arduino and utilizing a library to control the display. LCDs are commonly used for visual output in various projects.

VSS - Ground VDD - +5V

VO/VEE - Contrast

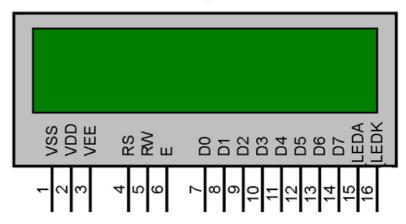
RS - Register Select - Command Mode(0),Data Mode(1)

RW - Read(1)/Write(0)
E - Enable R/W

DO - D7 - Data/Command Pin

LED A - +5V LED K - GND

16x2 LCD Display Module



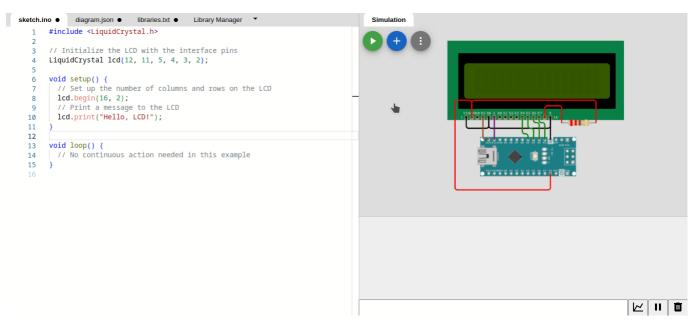
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LCD Pin
         Arduino Nano Pin
1 (VSS)
                   GND
                   +5V
2 (VDD)
3 VEE (Contrast) Potentiometer Out, Not connected (leave empty)
4 (RS)
                 D12
5 (RW)
                   GND
6 (EN)
                   D11
7, 8, 9, 10 Not connected (leave empty)
11 (D4)
                   D5
12 (D5)
13 (D6)
                 D3
14 (D7)
                   D2
15 LED A(+) 3.3V (Backlight)
16 LED K(-) GND (Backlight)
```

```
#include <LiquidCrystal.h>
// Initialize the LCD with the interface pins
```

```
LiquidCrystal lcd(12, 11, 5, 4, 3, 2);

void setup() {
    // Set up the number of columns and rows on the LCD
    lcd.begin(16, 2);
    // Print a message to the LCD
    lcd.print("Hello, LCD!");
}

void loop() {
    // No continuous action needed in this example
}
```



Example 1: Displaying Sensor Readings on LCD

```
#include <LiquidCrystal.h>
LiquidCrystal lcd(12, 11, 5, 4, 3, 2);

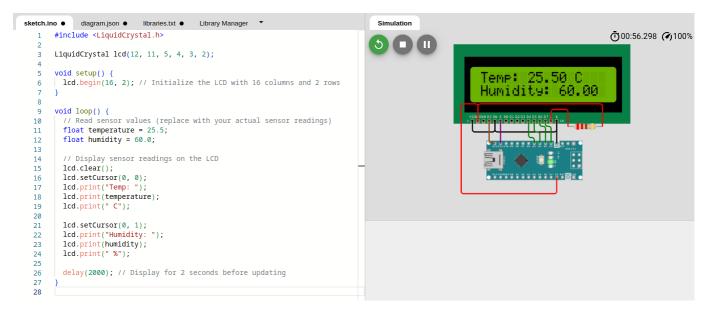
void setup() {
    lcd.begin(16, 2); // Initialize the LCD with 16 columns and 2 rows
}

void loop() {
    // Read sensor values (replace with your actual sensor readings)
    float temperature = 25.5;
    float humidity = 60.0;

// Display sensor readings on the LCD
    lcd.clear();
    lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
    lcd.print("Temp: ");
    lcd.print(temperature);
    lcd.print(" C");
```

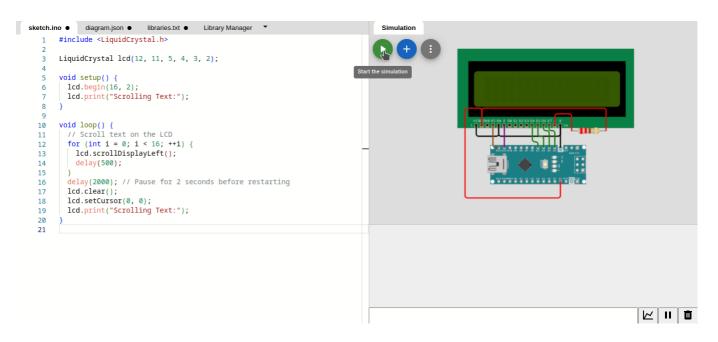
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lcd.setCursor(0, 1);
lcd.print("Humidity: ");
lcd.print(humidity);
lcd.print(" %");

delay(2000); // Display for 2 seconds before updating
}
```



Example 2: Scrolling Text on LCD

```
#include <LiquidCrystal.h>
LiquidCrystal lcd(12, 11, 5, 4, 3, 2);
void setup() {
  lcd.begin(16, 2);
  lcd.print("Scrolling Text:");
}
void loop() {
  // Scroll text on the LCD
  for (int i = 0; i < 16; ++i) {
    lcd.scrollDisplayLeft();
    delay(500);
  delay(2000); // Pause for 2 seconds before restarting
  lcd.clear();
  lcd.setCursor(0, 0);
  lcd.print("Scrolling Text:");
}
```



2. OLED (Organic Light-Emitting Diode) Display

Interfacing with OLED displays involves connecting the display to an Arduino and utilizing a library to control the display. OLEDs are known for their bright and high-contrast displays, making them suitable for various projects.

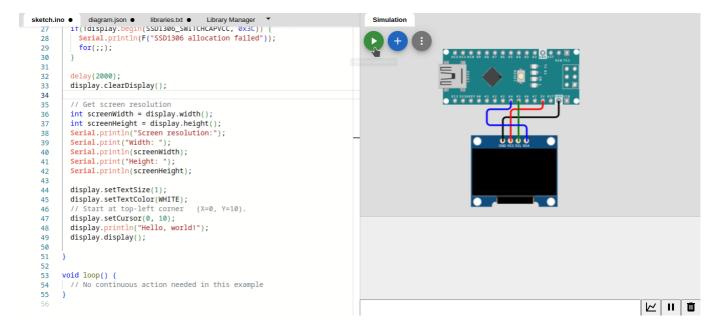
Connecting an OLED display to an Arduino typically involves using the I2C (Inter-Integrated Circuit) communication protocol. OLED displays often come in different resolutions (e.g., 128x64 pixels).

Connect VCC and GND:

- Connect the VCC pin of the OLED display to the 5V output on the Arduino.
- Connect the GND pin of the OLED display to any GND pin on the Arduino.

Connect SDA and SCL:

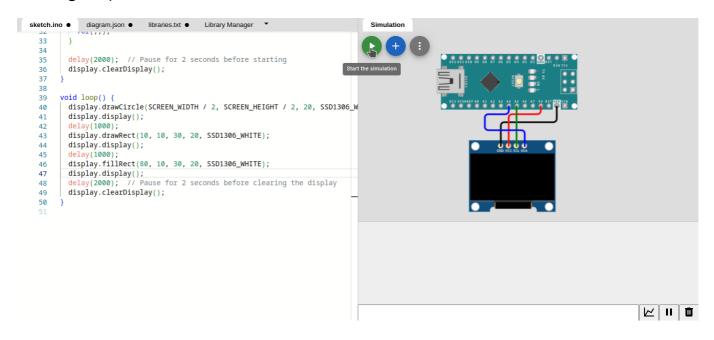
- Connect the SDA pin of the OLED display to the A4 (SDA) pin on the Arduino.
- Connect the SCL pin of the OLED display to the A5 (SCL) pin on the Arduino.



```
#include <Wire.h>
#include <Adafruit GFX.h>
#include <Adafruit_SSD1306.h>
/*
Connections
VCC - 5V
GND - GND
SDA - A4
SCL - A5
*/
#define SCREEN_WIDTH 128
#define SCREEN_HEIGHT 64
// Reset pin ( -1 if sharing Arduino reset pin)
#define OLED_RESET -1
// Initialize the OLED display with the I2C address
Adafruit_SSD1306 display(SCREEN_WIDTH, SCREEN_HEIGHT, &Wire, OLED_RESET);
void setup() {
 Serial.begin(9600);
 // SSD1306_SWITCHCAPVCC = generate display voltage from 3.3V internally
  // Address - 0x3C
  if(!display.begin(SSD1306_SWITCHCAPVCC, 0x3C)) {
    Serial.println(F("SSD1306 allocation failed"));
    for(;;);
  }
  delay(2000);
  display.clearDisplay();
  // Get screen resolution
  int screenWidth = display.width();
  int screenHeight = display.height();
  Serial.println("Screen resolution:");
  Serial.print("Width: ");
  Serial.println(screenWidth);
  Serial.print("Height: ");
  Serial.println(screenHeight);
  display.setTextSize(1);
  display.setTextColor(WHITE);
 // Start at top-left corner (X=0, Y=10).
  display.setCursor(0, 10);
  display.println("Hello, world!");
  display.display();
void loop() {
```

```
// No continuous action needed in this example
}
```

Drawing Shapes on OLED



```
#include <Wire.h>
#include <Adafruit_GFX.h>
#include <Adafruit_SSD1306.h>
/*
Connections
VCC - 5V
GND - GND
SDA - A4
SCL - A5
*/
#define SCREEN_WIDTH 128
#define SCREEN_HEIGHT 64
// Reset pin ( -1 if sharing Arduino reset pin)
#define OLED_RESET -1
// Initialize the OLED display with the I2C address
Adafruit_SSD1306 display(SCREEN_WIDTH, SCREEN_HEIGHT, &Wire, OLED_RESET);
void setup() {
  Serial.begin(9600);
 while (!Serial);
  // SSD1306_SWITCHCAPVCC = generate display voltage from 3.3V internally
  // Address - 0x3C
```

```
if(!display.begin(SSD1306_SWITCHCAPVCC, 0x3C)) {
    Serial.println(F("SSD1306 allocation failed"));
   for(;;);
  }
 delay(2000); // Pause for 2 seconds before starting
 display.clearDisplay();
}
void loop() {
  display.drawCircle(SCREEN_WIDTH / 2, SCREEN_HEIGHT / 2, 20, SSD1306_WHITE);
 display.display();
 delay(1000);
 display.drawRect(10, 10, 30, 20, SSD1306_WHITE);
 display.display();
 delay(1000);
 display.fillRect(80, 10, 30, 20, SSD1306_WHITE);
 display.display();
 delay(2000); // Pause for 2 seconds before clearing the display
 display.clearDisplay();
}
```