

For Carbon Dioxide detection in air

This code communicates with the MQ135 air quality sensor with the help of the [MQ135.h library](#). The sensor is supposed to preheat for 24 hours before taking readings. Once the code runs, it prints out the concentration of detected gases in ppm on a serial monitor, and the results are displayed on an LCD screen. An alarm system (LED light) is also set to glow if the CO₂ values cross a threshold value of 1000ppm.

Detailed explanation is given in the [video tutorial](#)

CO2Sensor.ino

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#include "MQ135.h"
#include <Wire.h>
#include <LiquidCrystal_I2C.h> //Header file for LCD

LiquidCrystal_I2C lcd(0x27,16,2); //set the LCD address to x27 for a 16
chars and 2 line display

#define led 9 //led on pin 9
const int gas_pin = A0; //analog feed from MQ135
MQ135 gasSensor = MQ135(gas_pin);

void setup(){

    lcd.init(); // initialize the lcd
    lcd.begin(16,2); // consider 16 chars + 2 lines lcd
    lcd.backlight(); // illuminate to produce visible
reading
    lcd.clear(); // clear lcd
    lcd.setCursor(4,0); //set cursor of lcd to 1st row and
5th column
    lcd.print("Group L"); // print as a sentence on lcd

    pinMode(gas_pin,INPUT); //MQ135 analog feed set for input
    pinMode(led,OUTPUT); //led set for output

    Serial.begin(9600); //serial comms for debugging
}

void loop(){
    float ppm = gasSensor.getPPM();
    Serial.println(ppm); // print ppm on serial monitor
    delay(1000);
    lcd.clear(); // clear lcd
    lcd.setCursor(0,0); // set cursor of lcd to 1st row and 1st
column
    lcd.print("Air Quality: "); // print as a sentence on lcd
    lcd.print(ppm); // print value of MQ135
    if(ppm>999){ //if co2 ppm > 1000
```

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digitalWrite(led,HIGH);    //turn on led
lcd.setCursor(2,1);        // set cursor of lcd to 2nd row and 3rd
column
lcd.print("AQ Level BAD"); //print as a sentence on lcd
}
else{
digitalWrite(led,LOW);     //turn off led
lcd.setCursor(1,1);        // set cursor of lcd to 2nd row and
2nd column
lcd.print ("AQ Level Good"); // print as a sentence on lcd
}
}
```

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