Arduino Programming Part II

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Overview

Review of Blink

Variable Declarations

Variable Assignments

Built-in I/O functions

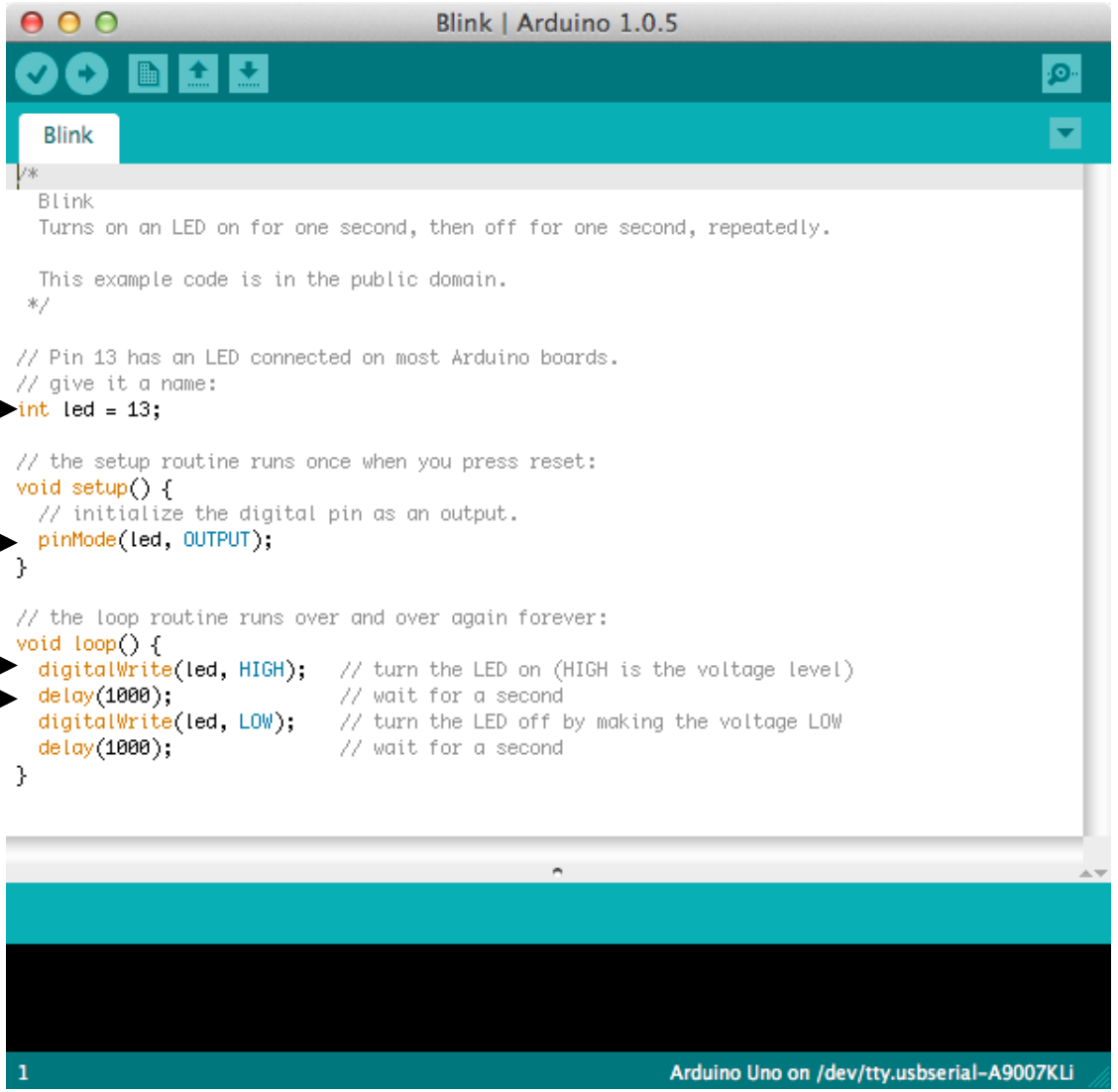
See on-line reference:

http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/HomePage

Blink code

Declare **led**
and assign a value

Built-in functions:
- **pinMode**
- **digitalWrite**
- **delay**



Variables in Arduino programs

Using Variables and Functions

Assigning values to a variable: "**int**" is a type of variable

```
int led = 12;
```

pinMode and digitalWrite expect "**int**" variables as inputs

```
pinMode(led,OUTPUT);
digitalWrite(led,HIGH);
```

OUTPUT and HIGH are pre-defined constants

See `http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/Constants`

Variable types

Three basic categories of variables

- integers
- floating point values
- character strings

Integers

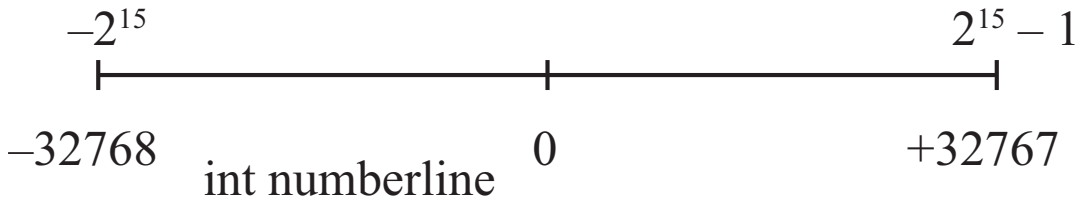
- No fractional part. Examples: 1, 2, 23, 0, –50213
- Used for counting and return values from some built-in functions
- Integer arithmetic results in truncation to integers

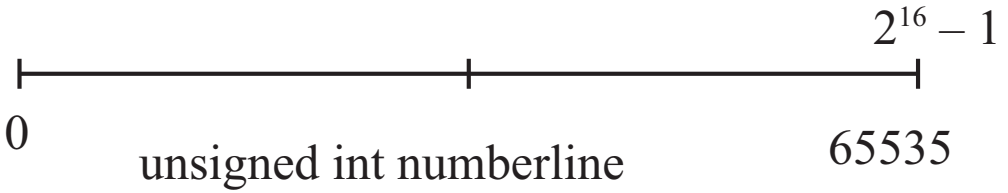
Floating point numbers

- Non-zero fractional parts. Examples 1.234, –2.728, 4.329×10^{-4}
- Large range of magnitudes
- Floating point arithmetic does not truncate, but has round-off

Integer types

`int`	integer in the range –32,768 to 32,767
`long`	integer in the range –2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
`unsigned int`	positive integer in the range 0 to 65,535
`unsigned long`	positive integer in the range 0 to 4,294,967,295





See http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/Int and http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/Long

Floating point types

`float` values with approximately seven significant digits in the range $\pm(1.80 \times 10^{-38}$ to $3.40 \times 10^{38})$

`double` values with approximately thirteen significant digits in the range $\pm(2.2 \times 10^{-308}$ to $1.80 \times 10^{308})$

There is no double on an Arduino Uno. On an Uno, a double is the same as a float.

See http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/Float
and http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/Double

Declaring and assigning values

Declarations are necessary. Assignments are optional

```
int n;                  //  single declaration
int i,j,k,n;            //  multiple declaration
int i=5;                //  single declaration and assignment
int i=5, j=2;           //  multiple declaration and assignment

float x;
float x,y,z;
float x=0.0, y=-1.23e5;   //  assignment with "e" notation
```

Notes

- Integer values do not use decimal points
- Floating point values can use "e" notation
  - 1.23e5 is equal to 1.23 x 10^5
  - DO NOT write x = 1.23*10^5 instead of x = 1.23e5

See http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/Float
and http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/Double

Assigning values

The equals sign is the *assignment operator*

- The statement x = 3 assigns a value of 3 to x. The actual operation involves storing the value 3 in the memory location that is reserved for x.
- The equals sign does not mean that x and 3 are the same!
- Symbolically you can replace x = 3 with x ← 3.

Consider the following sequence of statements

```
x = 3;
y = x;
x = 5;
```

The preceding statements are executed in sequence. The last assignment determines the value stored in x. There is no ambiguity in two “x = ” statements. The x = 5; statement replaces the 3 stored in x with a new value, 5.

Test your understanding

What are the values of n and z at the end of the following sequences of statements?

```
int i,j,k,n;

i = 2;
j = 3;
k = i + 2*j;
n = k - 5;
```

n = ?

```
int i,j,k,n;

i = 2;
j = 3;
n = j - i;
n = n + 2;
```

n = ?

```
int n;
float x,y,z;

x = 2.0;
y = 3.0;
z = y/x;
n = z;
```

z = ?

n = ?

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```

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int i,j,k,n;

i = 2;
j = 3;
n = j - i;
n = n + 2;
```

```
int n;
float x,y,z;

x = 2.0;
y = 3.0;
z = y/x;
n = z;
```

The n = n + 2; statement shows why it is helpful to think of the equal sign as a left facing arrow.

You can mentally replace n = n + 2; with n ← n + 2;

Integer arithmetic

We have to be aware of the rules of numerical computation used by Arduino hardware (and computers, in general).

Integer arithmetic always produces integers

```
int i,j;
i = (2/3)*4;
j = i + 2;
```

What values are stored in i and j?

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```
int i,j;
i = (2/3)*4;
j = i + 2;
```

What values are stored in i and j?

Answer: i ← 0, j ← 2

Integer arithmetic

Integer arithmetic always produces integers

```
int i,j;
i = (2.0/3.0)*4.0;
j = i + 2;
```

What values are stored in i and j?

Answer: i ← 2, j ← 4

Floating point arithmetic

Floating point arithmetic preserves the fractional part of numbers, but it does so approximately

```
float w,x,y,z;
w = 3.0;
x = 2.0;
y = w/x;
z = y - 1.5;
```

What values are stored in y and z?

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float w,x,y,z;
w = 3.0;
x = 2.0;
y = w/x;
z = y - 1.5;
```

What values are stored in y and z?

Answer: y ← 1.5, z ← 0

Floating point arithmetic

Consider this alternate test*

```
float w,x,y,z;
w = 4.0/3.0;
x = w - 1;
y = 3*x;
z = 1 - y;
```

*See, e.g. C. Moler, *Numerical Computing in MATLAB*, 2004, SIAM, p. 38

Floating point arithmetic

Consider this alternate test*

```
float w,x,y,z;
w = 4.0/3.0;
x = w - 1;
y = 3*x;
z = 1 - y;
```

which produces x = 0.333 and y = 1.000 and z = –1.19e-7

*See, e.g. C. Moler, *Numerical Computing in MATLAB*, 2004, SIAM, p. 38

Global and local variables

In this sketch, **`LED_pin`** is a global variable, accessible to other functions in the file

```
int LED_pin = 13;

void setup() {
  pinMode( LED_pin, OUTPUT );
}

void loop() {
  digitalWrite( LED_pin, HIGH );
  delay(1000);
  digitalWrite( LED_pin, LOW );
  delay(1000);
}
```

In this sketch, **`LED_pin`** is a local variable in the setup function, and is not accessible to the code in the loop function. *This sketch will not compile. It cannot be run.*

```
void setup() {
  int LED_pin = 13;
  pinMode( LED_pin, OUTPUT );
}

void loop() {
  digitalWrite( LED_pin, HIGH );
  delay(1000);
  digitalWrite( LED_pin, LOW );
  delay(1000);
}
```

In general, it is wise to avoid global variables unless you must. Since **`LED_pin`** must be accessible to **`setup`** and **`loop`**, it has to be a global variable.

Built-in Arduino functions

All sketches have `setup()` and `loop()`

void setup()

- Executed only once
- No input arguments: parentheses are empty
- No return values: function type is **`void`**

void loop()

- Executed repeatedly
- No input arguments: parenthesis are empty
- No return values: function type is **`void`**

Digital input and output (1)

Digital I/O pins 0 through 13 can respond to input or be sources of output

`pinMode(pin, mode)`

- Configures a digital I/O pin for input or output
- pin – specifyies the digital I/0 channel: 0 to 13
- mode – one of: INPUT, OUTPUT or INPUT_PULLUP
  - we use OUTPUT to set the pin as a power source for an LED
  - we use INPUT when we read a digital input, such as a button
- No return value: function type is **`void`**

See http://arduino.cc/en/PinMode

Digital input and output (2)

`digitalWrite(pin,value)`

- Sets the state of a digital I/O pin
- pin – specifies the digital I/0 channel: 0 to 13
- value – one of: HIGH or LOW
- No return value: function type is **`void`**

`digitalRead(pin)`

- Reads the state of a digital I/O pin
- pin – specifies the digital I/0 channel: 0 to 13
- Returns and int that is equivalent to either LOW or HIGH

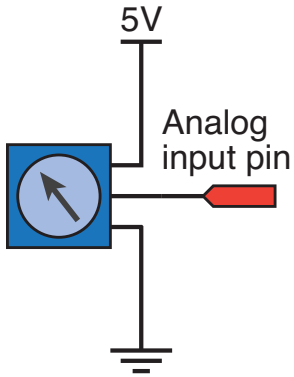
See http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/DigitalWrite
and http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/DigitalRead
and http://arduino.cc/en/Tutorial/DigitalPins

Analog input

`analogRead(pin)`

- Reads the voltage on an analog input pin
- **`pin`** – an integer that specifies the analog input channel: 0 to 5. **`pin`** can also be referred to by name as A0, A1, A2, A3, A4 or A5
- Returns an **`int`** in the range 0 to 1023 (for an Arduino Uno)

Example: Read a potentiometer




```
void setup() {
  Serial.begin(9600);
}

void loop() {
  int reading;
  reading = analogRead(A0);
  Serial.println(reading);
}
```

See http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/AnalogRead

Serial communication with host computer (1)

`Serial.begin(speed)`

- Initializes the Serial port at speed. Typical speed is 9600

`Serial.print(value)`

- Sends **`value`** to the serial port
- **`value`** can be a single number or a character string
- *No newline* after **`value`** is sent

`Serial.println(value)`

- Sends **`value`** to the serial port
- **`value`** can be a single number or a character string
- *Add a newline* after **`value`** is sent

See http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/AnalogRead

Serial communication with host computer (2)

Example: Read two analog channels and print values

```
void setup() {
  Serial.begin(9600);          //  Initialize serial port object
}

void loop() {
  int value1,value2;
  float now;

  now = millis()/1000.0;       //  Current time in seconds
  value1 = analogRead(A0);     //  Read analog input channel 0
  value2 = analogRead(A1);     //  and channel 1

  Serial.print(now);           //  Print the time
  Serial.print("  ");          //  Make a horizontal space
  Serial.print(value1);        //  Print the first reading
  Serial.print("  ");          //  Make another horizontal space
  Serial.println(value2);      //  Print second reading & newline
}
```

See http://arduino.cc/en/Reference/AnalogRead

Codes to demonstrate integer and floating point arithmetic

Integer arithmetic

```
//   File:  int_test.ino
//
//   Demonstrate truncation with integer arithmetic
//   ME 120, Lecture 5, Fall 2013

void setup() {
  int i,j;

  Serial.begin(9600);
  delay(3500);           //  wait for user to open the serial monitor

  // -- First example: slide #13
  i = (2/3)*4;
  j = i + 2;
  Serial.println("First test");
  Serial.print(i);  Serial.print("  ");   Serial.println(j);

  // -- Second example: slide #15
  i = (2.0/3.0)*4.0;
  j = i + 2;
  Serial.println("Second test");
  Serial.print(i);  Serial.print("  ");   Serial.println(j);
}

void loop() {}     // Loop does nothing.  Code in setup() is executed only once
```

Floating point arithmetic: test 1

```
//   File:  float_test.ino
//
//   Demonstrate floating point arithmetic computations that happen to
//   have no obvious rounding errors.  That DOES NOT always happen
//
//   Use two-parameter form of Serial.print.  The second parameter specifies
//   the number of digits in value sent to the Serial Monitor

void setup() {
  float w,x,y,z;

  Serial.begin(9600);
  delay(2500);           //  wait for user to open the serial monitor

  // -- Computations that return results that you would expect; No rounding
  w = 3.0;
  x = 2.0;
  y = w/x;
  z = y - 1.5;
  Serial.println("Floating point arithmetic test");
  Serial.print(w,8);  Serial.print("  ");
  Serial.print(x,8);  Serial.print("  ");
  Serial.print(y,8);  Serial.print("  ");
  Serial.print(z,8);  Serial.print("  ");
  Serial.println(z*1.0e7,8);
}

void loop() {}     // Loop does nothing.  Code in setup() is executed only once
```

Floating point arithmetic: test 2

```
//   File:  float_test_2.ino
//
//   Demonstrate well-known round-off error problem with floating point arithmetic
//   See, e.g., Cleve Moler, Numerical Computing in MATLAB, p. 38
//
//   Use two-parameter form of Serial.print.  The second parameter specifies
//   the number of digits in value sent to the Serial Monitor

void setup() {
  float w,x,y,z;

  Serial.begin(9600);
  delay(2500);           //  wait for user to open the serial monitor

  // -- Computations that show rounding
  w = 4.0/3.0;
  x = w - 1;
  y = 3*x;
  z = 1 - y;
  Serial.println("\nFloating point arithmetic test 2");
  Serial.print(w,8);  Serial.print("  ");
  Serial.print(x,8);  Serial.print("  ");
  Serial.print(y,8);  Serial.print("  ");
  Serial.print(z,8);  Serial.print("  ");
  Serial.println(z*1.0e7,8);
}

void loop() {}     // Loop does nothing.  Code in setup() is executed only once
```