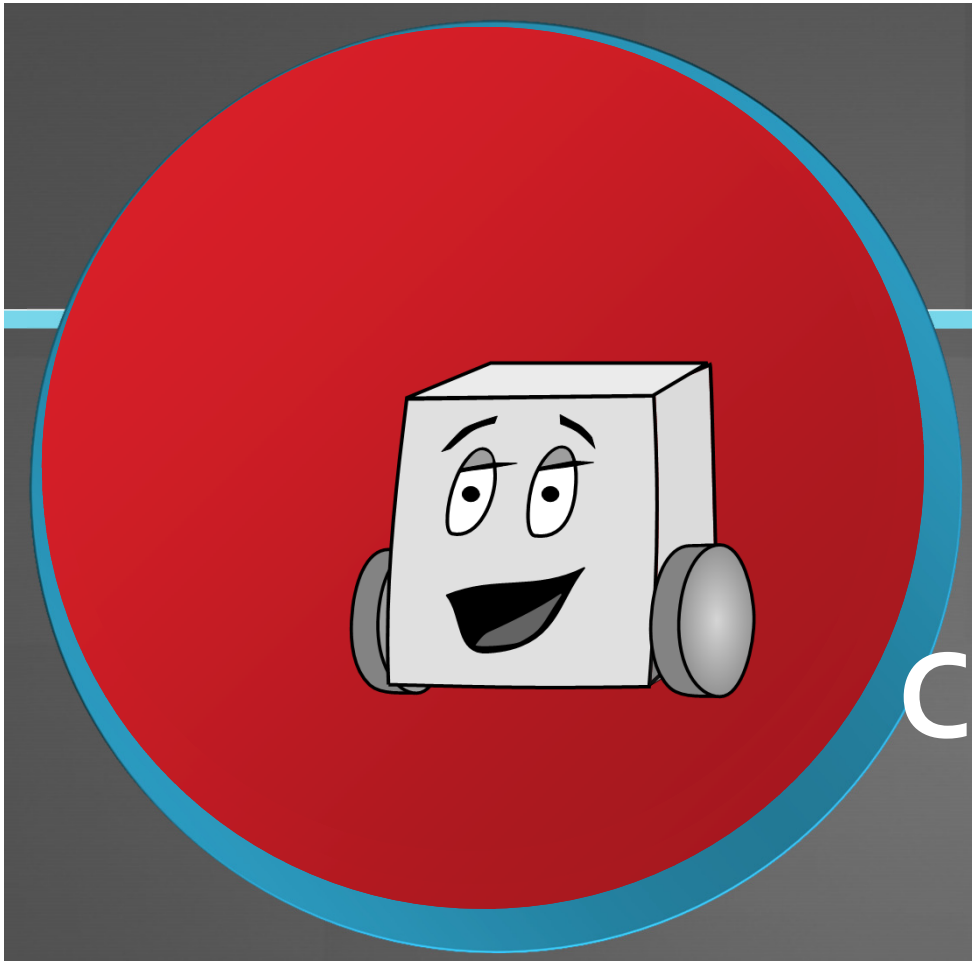

E11 Lecture 8: C – never enough!

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- Timing
- Multi-dimensional arrays
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    - other C files
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Timing

- delay(time)
  - delays for time ms until continuing execution
- delayMicroseconds(time)
  - delays for time us until continuing execution
- millis()
  - returns time since program started in ms
  - returns unsigned long
- micros()
  - returns time since program started in us
  - returns unsigned long

Timing: frequency

```
// This program turns the red led on for about 1 second,
// then turns it off for about 1 second.

#define REDLED 13

void setup()
{
  Serial.begin(9600); // set up Serial communication speed
  pinMode(REDLED, OUTPUT);  // red led is output
}

void loop()
{
  Serial.println("Starting loop\n");
  digitalWrite(REDLED, HIGH); // turn red LED on
  delay(1000);
  digitalWrite(REDLED, LOW);  // turn red LED off
  delay(1000);
}
```

Timing: measuring time

```
// This program turns the red led on for about 1 second,
// then turns it off for about 1 second.

#define REDLED 13

void loop() {
  unsigned long startTime, endTime;

  startTime = millis();
  Serial.println("Starting loop\n");
  endTime = millis();
  Serial.print("Elapsed time to print:"); Serial.println(endTime-
startTime);

  digitalWrite(REDLED, HIGH); // turn red LED on
  delay(1000);
  digitalWrite(REDLED, LOW);  // turn red LED off
  delay(1000);
}
```

Example: ~4Hz sampling

This code reads the distance sensor roughly every 250 ms (sampling frequency = 4 Hz) and prints out the reading.

```
#define DISTSENSOR 14

void setup() {
 Serial.begin(9600);
 // set up Serial communication speed
 pinMode(DISTSENSOR, INPUT);  // distance sensor as input
}

void loop()
{
  int reading;

  reading = analogRead(DISTSENSOR-14);
  Serial.print("Reading: "); Serial.println(reading);
  delay(250);
}
```

Example: 4Hz sampling

The following code reads the distance sensor 100 times exactly every 250 ms.

```
#define ARRAYSIZE 100
int distData[ARRAYSIZE];   // global array holding distance data

void readDistData()
{
   unsigned long time;
   int i;

   time = millis(); // time at start of function in ms

   // record distance sensor data
   // sampling time = 250 ms (sampling rate = 4 Hz)
   for (i=0; i<ARRAYSIZE; i++) {
     // read analog port
     distData[i] = analogRead(DISTSENSOR-14);
     while (millis() < (time + (i+1)*250))
       ; // pause until time to read again
   }
}
```

Even better!

Write code that reads the distance sensor exactly every 250 ms.

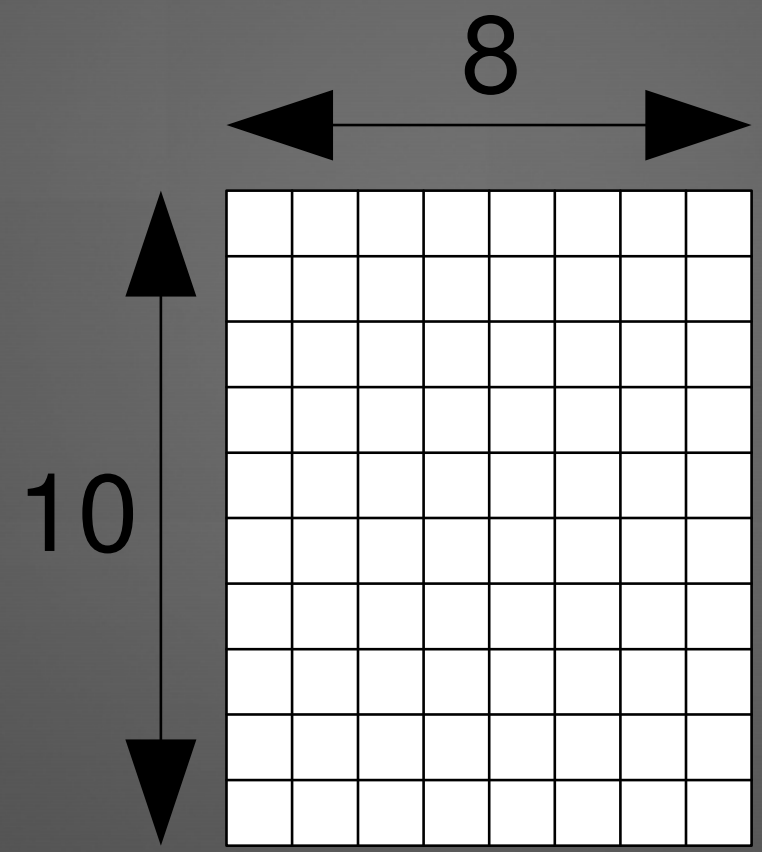
```
void readDistData(){
   unsigned long time1, time2;
   int i;

   time1 = millis(); // time at start of function in ms

   // record distance sensor data
   // sampling time = 250 ms (sampling rate = 4 bits/second)
   for (i=0; i<ARRAYSIZE; i++) {
     distData[i] = analogRead(DISTSENSOR-14); // read analog port
     while (millis() < (time1 + (i+1)*250))
       ; // pause until time to read again
   }
   time2 = millis()-time1;
   Serial.print("Time to execute loop: "); Serial.println(time2);
}
```

Multi-dimensional Arrays

```
int grades[10][8];
```



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// initialize all entries in array to 0
int i, j;

for (i=0; i<10; i++)
  for (j=0; j<8; j++)
    grades[i][j] = 0;
```

Multi-dimensional Arrays

```
// initialize array at declaration
int grades[10][8] =
   { {100, 107, 99,  101, 100, 104, 109, 117},
     {103, 101, 94,  101, 102, 106, 105, 110},
     {101, 102, 92,  101, 100, 107, 109, 110},
     {114, 106, 95,  101, 100, 102, 102, 100},
     {98,  105, 97,  101, 103, 104, 109, 109},
     {105, 103, 99,  101, 105, 104, 101, 105},
     {103, 101, 100, 101, 108, 105, 109, 100},
     {100, 102, 102, 101, 102, 101, 105, 102},
     {102, 106, 110, 101, 100, 102, 120, 103},
     {99,  107, 98,  101, 109, 104, 110, 108} };
```

Multi-dimensional Arrays

```
// get the mean for a problem set and overall
 for (i=0; i<8; i++) {       // for each of the 8 problem sets
   total_tmp = 0;
   for (j=0; j<10; j++) {
     total_tmp += grades[j][i];  // calculate sum of scores
   }
   mean_ps[i] = total_tmp/10;    // calculate p.s. mean
   Serial.print("Problem Set "); Serial.print(i+1);
   Serial.print(": "); Serial.println(mean_ps[i]);

   mean_overall += total_tmp;    // sum all the scores
 }
 mean_overall = mean_overall/(10*8); // calculate overall mean
 Serial.print("Overall mean:"); Serial.println(mean_overall);
```

Testing the Limits

- Atmega328
  - Program memory: 32 KB of Flash Memory (retains value when powered off)
  - Data memory: 2 KB of static random access memory (SRAM) (loses value when powered off)

Data memory: 2 KB

- How big of an int array can I declare?
  - 2048 Bytes/(2 Bytes/element) = 1024-element array
  - But also other data (bootloader, Serial library data, etc.) – so can't use entire 2 KB.

Data memory: 2 KB

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```
// datalimit.pde  - 19 September 2011
// Sarah Harris - sarah_harris@hmc.edu
// testing limits on data

#define SIZE 800

int array[SIZE];  // vary array size to see what happens

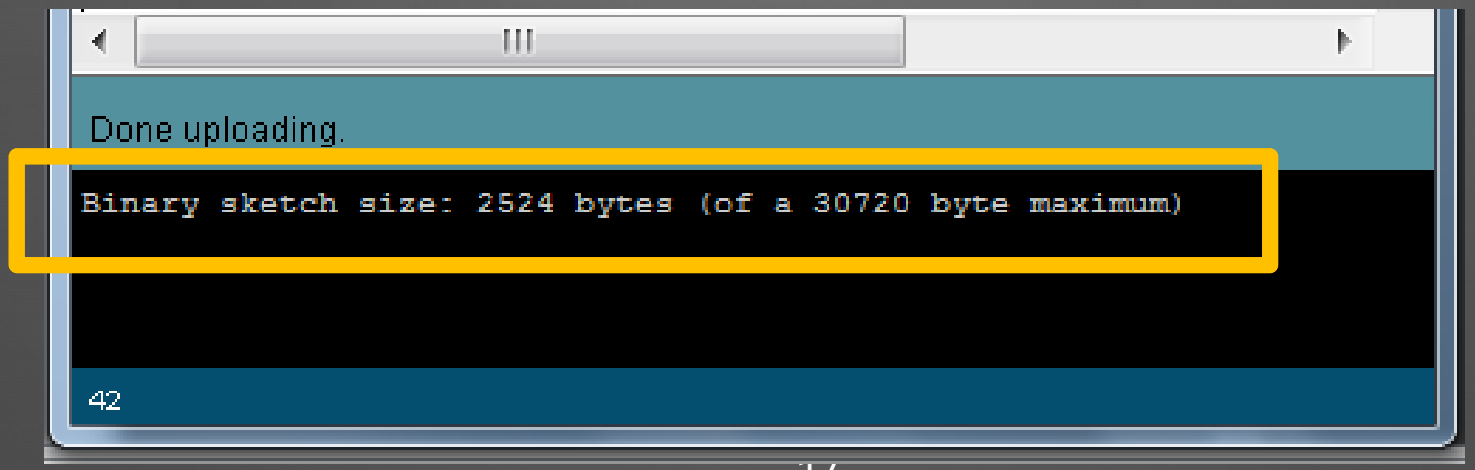
void setup() {
  int i;

  Serial.begin(9600);  Serial.println("Starting program...");

  for (i = 0; i < SIZE; i++) {
    array[i] = random(0,101);
    Serial.println(array[i]);
  }
```

Program memory: 32 KB

- **How big** can program be?
  - Many instructions – can look at size when compiling or uploading
  - Some of it used by bootloader (1/2 KB)
  - Some used by libraries (like Serial library)



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- Before you sit in front of a computer:
  - Write down the steps of the program (in English)
    - Start with major steps, then break them down into smaller steps
- Work on one step at a time
  - Write code (using functions – modularity!)
  - Test that small piece of code thoroughly
  - Then move on to the next step

Nuts and Bolts: Multiple Files

- Enables:
  - organization
  - code reuse

Multiple Files in a Single Sketch

- For example, you may have a group of functions that you consistently use.
- By adding the .pde file to the sketch, you can use any of the functions.
- Be sure you only have extra functions in your added .pde – not setup() or loop().

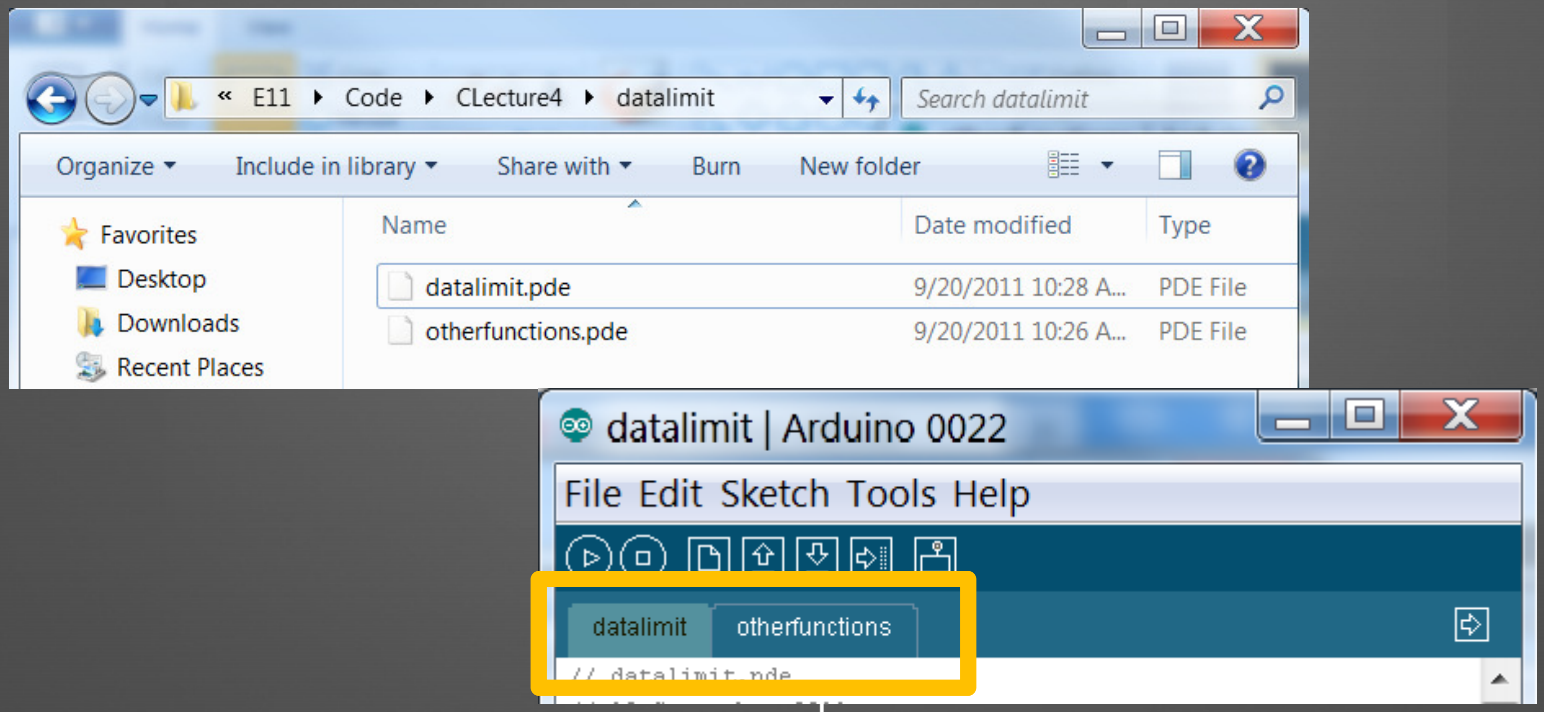
Multiple Files in a Single Sketch

```
// otherfunctions.pde
void printArray(int array[], int length)
{
…
}

int getKeyPress()
{
…
}
```

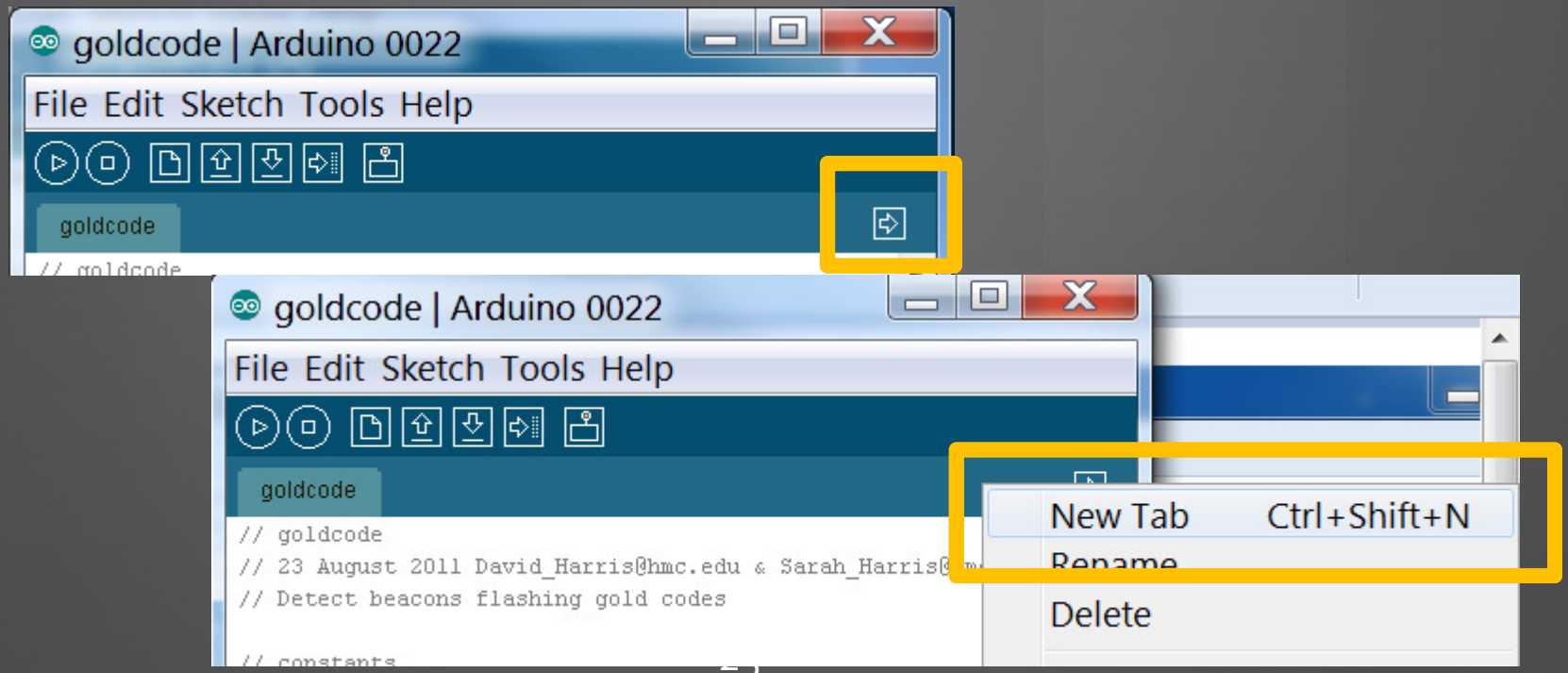
Multiple Files in a Single Sketch

- How to do this – two ways:
  1. Place extra .pde file in the sketch folder. (Now it will show up as a tab in the sketch, and you can use the functions.)



Multiple Files in a Single Sketch

- How to do this – two ways:
  2. Add a tab yourself manually and type in the functions in that tab.

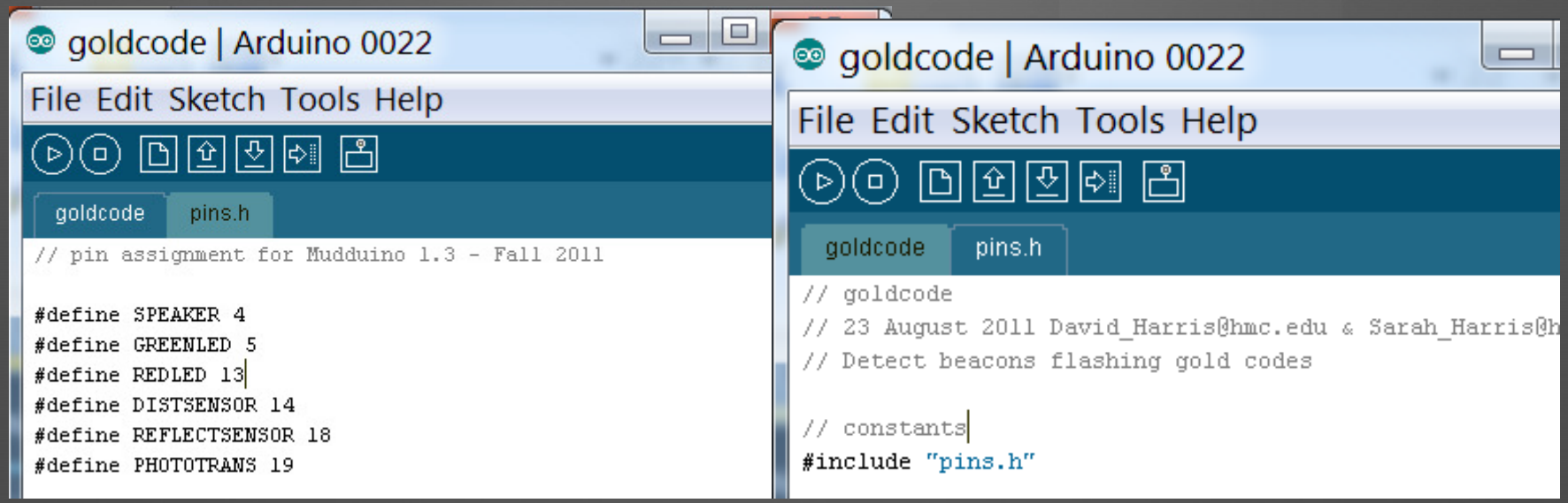


Multiple Files in a Single Sketch

- Remove the file from the sketch by simply removing it from the sketch folder manually.

Multiple Files in a Single Sketch

- Or you may have some #defines that you consistently use.
  1. Add new tab
  2. Name it with a ".h" extenstion. For example, pins.h
  3. Place this line in .pde file: #include "pins.h"



Some other useful functions

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

- abs(var) – returns the absolute value of var
  - Example:

```
int y = -20;
int x = abs(y);  // x = 20
```

- min(x, y) – returns the minimum of x or y
  - Example:

```
int x = 4;
int y = 2;
int minimum = min(x, y);  // minimum = 2
```

- casting characters: char(x), int(x), long(x), float(x)
  - Casts x to the corresponding type
  - Example:

```
char x = 2;      // x is a 1-byte data type:  00000010
int y = int(x);  // y is a 2-byte data type:  00000000 00000010
```