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# **Engineering Technology (ENGR 101)**

## **Variable Scope**

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```
int globalVar = 3;

void setup() {
  int localVar1 = 2;

  globalVar = 4;

  Serial.begin(9600);
  Serial.println(localVar1);
}

void loop() {
  int localVar2 = 3;

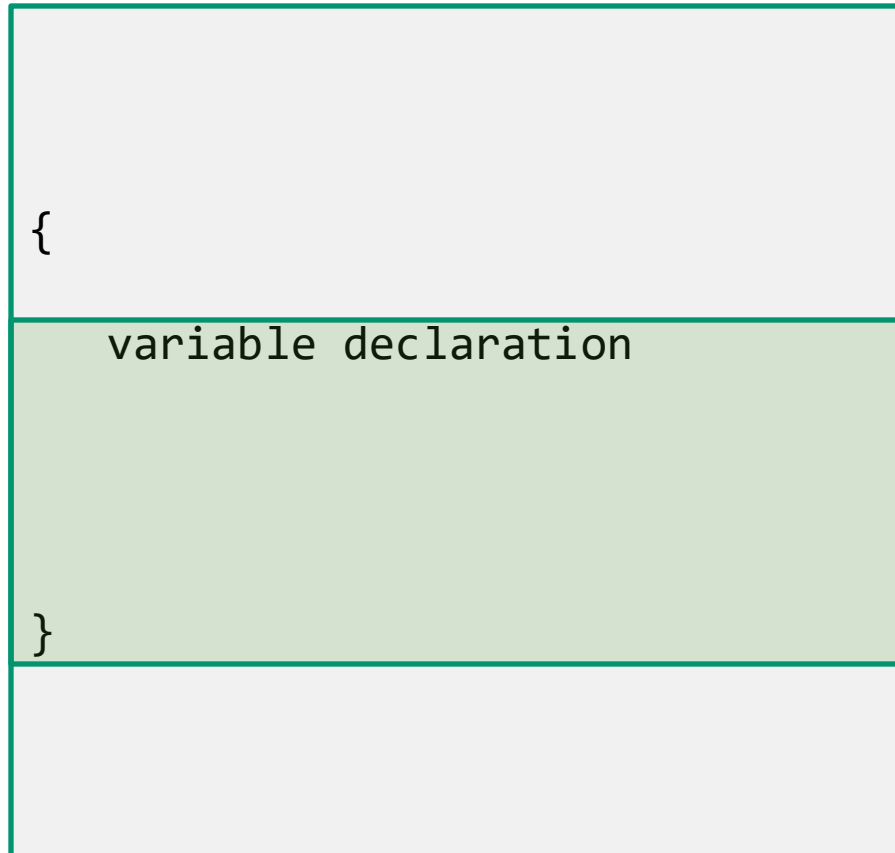
  Serial.println(localVar2);
  Serial.println(globalVar);
}
```

- Local
  - A local variable is only visible inside the current, innermost block
- Global
  - A global variable is visible in the *whole* compilation unit, from the line of declaration to the end of file

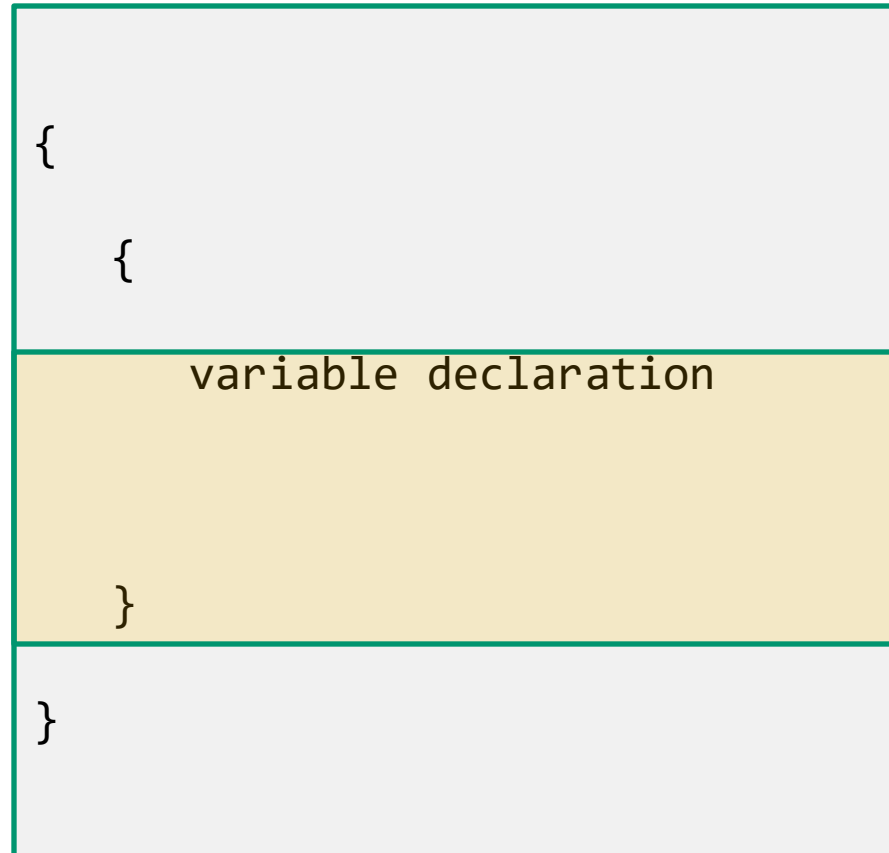
# Local Scope

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file1.ino



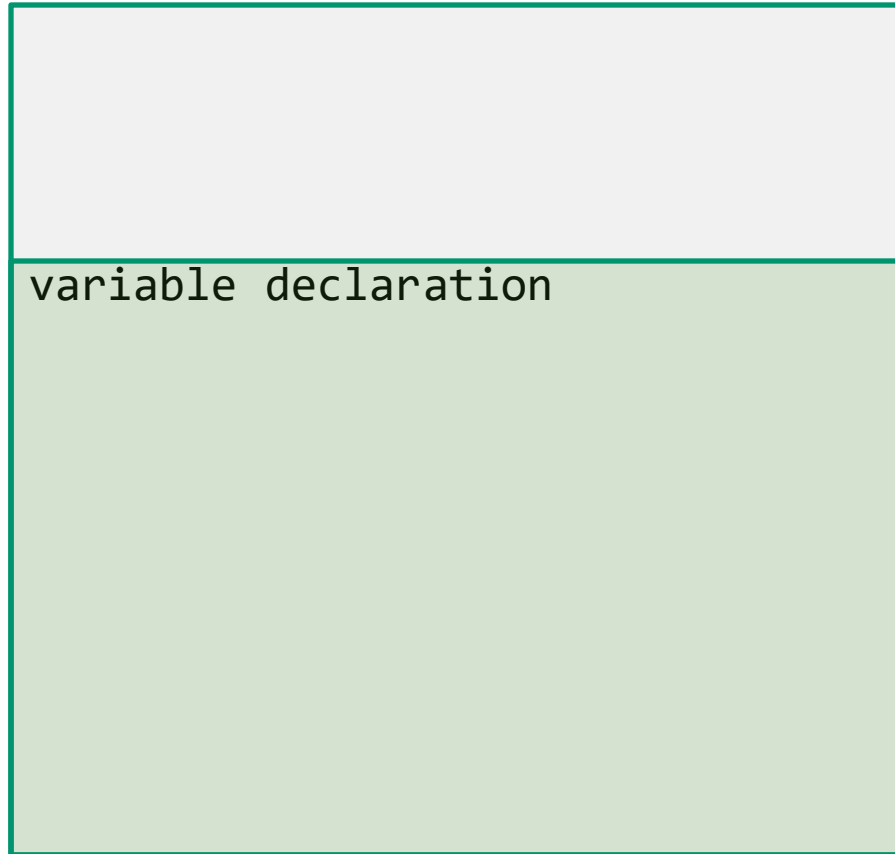
file2.ino



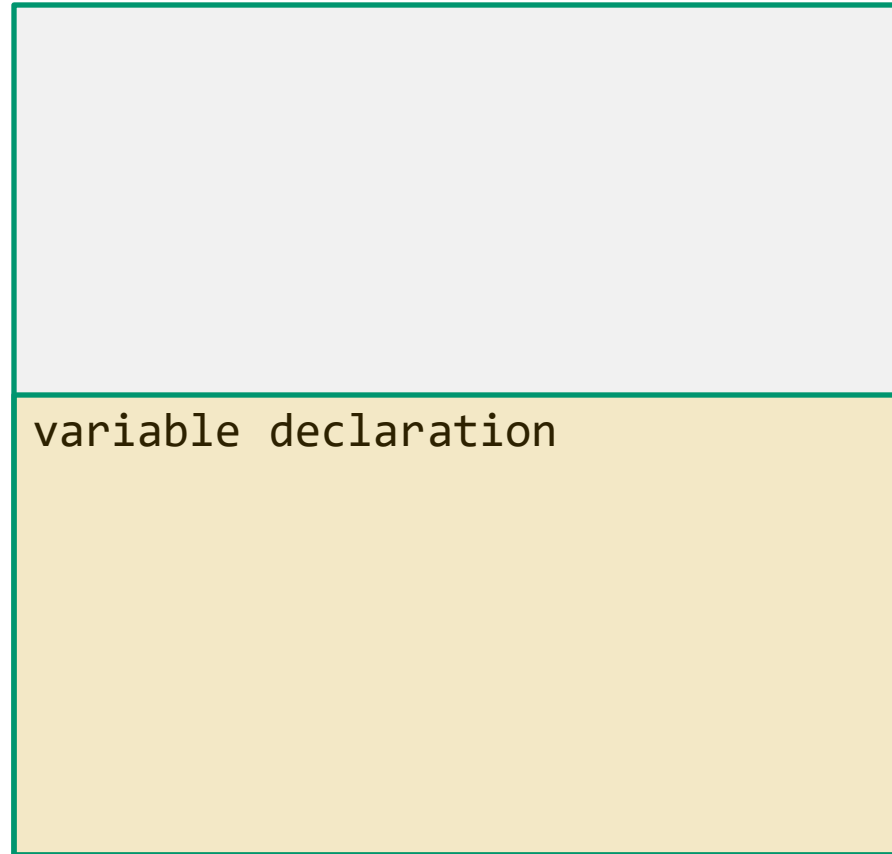
# Global Scope

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file1.ino



file2.ino



# Variable Scope Example

```

int func(float a, int b)
{
  int i;
  double g = 0;
  for (i = 0; i < b; i++) {
    double h = i*g;
    // Loop body - may access a, b, i, g, h
    Serial.println(h + a + b);
  } // end of for-loop
  // func body - may access a, b, i, g
  Serial.println(i + a + b);
  return g;
} // end of func()

```

a and b are visible from this point to end of func

i is visible from this point to end of func

g is visible from this point to end of func

h is only visible from this point to end of loop!

# Variable scope

```
int i = 3;

void setup() {
  Serial.begin(9600);
  Serial.println(i);
}

void loop() {
  int a = 0;
  a++;
  i++;
  Serial.println(a);
  Serial.println(i);
}
```



COM4

Send

3

1

4

1

5

1

6

# Variable scope

```
void setup() {  
    Serial.begin(9600);  
}  
void loop() {  
    int a = 0;  
    int b = 2;  
  
    for( a = 0; a < 3; a++){  
        Serial.println(b);  
    }  
    b = 4;  
    Serial.println("End of loop");  
}
```



COM4

Send

2

2

2

End of loop

2

2

2

End of loop

# Variable scope

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```
void setup() {  
    Serial.begin(9600);  
}  
void loop() {  
    int a = 0;  
    int b = 2;  
  
    for( a = 0; a < 3; a++){  
        Serial.println(b);  
    }  
}
```

```
void setup() {  
    Serial.begin(9600);  
}  
void loop() {  
    int a = 0;  
  
    for( a = 0; a < 3; a++){  
        int b = 2;  
        Serial.println(b);  
    }  
    Serial.println(b);  
}
```



# Variable scope

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```
void setup() {  
    Serial.begin(9600);  
}  
void loop() {  
    int a = 0;  
    int b = 2;  
  
    for( a = 0; a < 3; a++){  
        Serial.println(b);  
    }  
}
```

```
void setup() {  
    Serial.begin(9600);  
}  
void loop() {  
    int b = 2;  
  
    for(int a = 0; a < 3; a++){  
        Serial.println(b);  
    }  
    Serial.println(a);  
}
```

# Variable scope

```
void setup() {  
    Serial.begin(9600);  
}  
void loop() {  
    int a = 0;  
    int b = 2;  
    int sum = add(a, b);  
    Serial.println( sum );  
}  
  
int add(int x, int y){  
    Serial.print(x);  
    Serial.print("+");  
    Serial.print(y);  
  
    return (x + y);  
}
```

```
void setup() {  
    Serial.begin(9600);  
}  
void loop() {  
    int a = 0;  
    int b = 2;  
    int sum = add(a, b);  
    Serial.println( sum );  
}  
  
int add(int x, int y){  
  
    Serial.print(a);  
  
    Serial.print(x);  
    Serial.print("+");  
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    return (x + y);  
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```