

Lesson 5.1 - Robot Motor Drive Experiment 1

Simulation of this lesson can be found at <https://makecode.microbit.org/17351-85940-06459-72277>

Note: (Robot construction must be completed before this Step)

Goal for this lesson

Learn to control the motors on the Robot, we will achieve forward/backwards and steering with a visual output on the matrix display.

Hardware Required

PC or Tablet
1 x micro USB cable
1 x Smart Robot with micro:bit & battery installed

Step 1 As per Figure 1

- Goto URL <https://makecode.microbit.org/#>
- Create **"New Project"** & give it a name
- Press **Gear** symbol – top right
- Press Extensions
- Add repository found using link below.
https://github.com/AltronicsAUKits/Z6454-Robot-Kit-v2_KS0426
- On start up both **"on start"** & **"forever"** will be in your work space, move **"forever"** block below **"on start"** block.

Step 2 as per Figure 2

Moving forward we will only highlight the locations for the required modules to produce the desired code.

- We will be utilising the **"Basic"** Tab,
- We will be utilising the **"...more"** tab under **"Led"** Tab,
- We will be utilising the **"K_Bit"** Tab,
- We will be utilising the **"Images"** tab under **"Advanced"** tab,
- Download the code to the micro:bit,

Expected Result!

- The display will show an arrow pointing South then initiate the motors to move forward.
- Next display will show an arrow pointing North then initiate the motors to move forward.
- Next display will show an arrow pointing East then initiate the motors to move left by setting both motors.
- Next display will show an arrow pointing West then initiate the motors to move right by setting both motors.
- Next display will show an arrow pointing East again then initiate the motors to turn left by using pre-set variable.
- Next display will show an arrow pointing West again then initiate the motors to turn Right by using pre-set variable.
- Now the display will an upside down heart and stop all movement.
- This above cycle will then be repeated.

Scan QR code for Lesson 5.1 Simulation

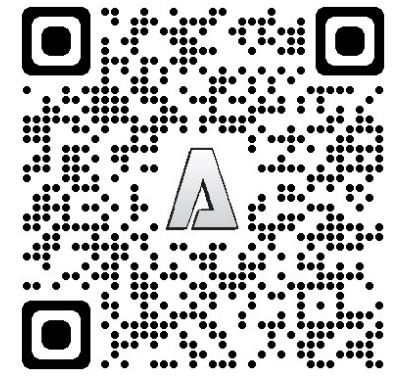


Figure 1

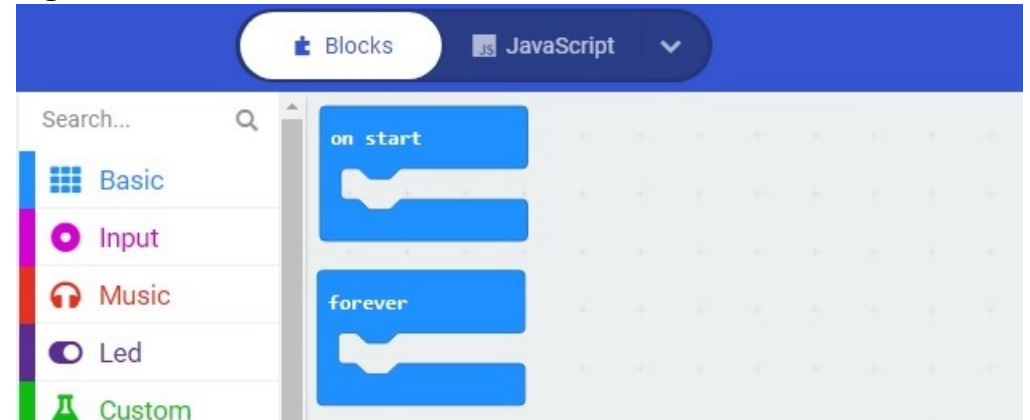
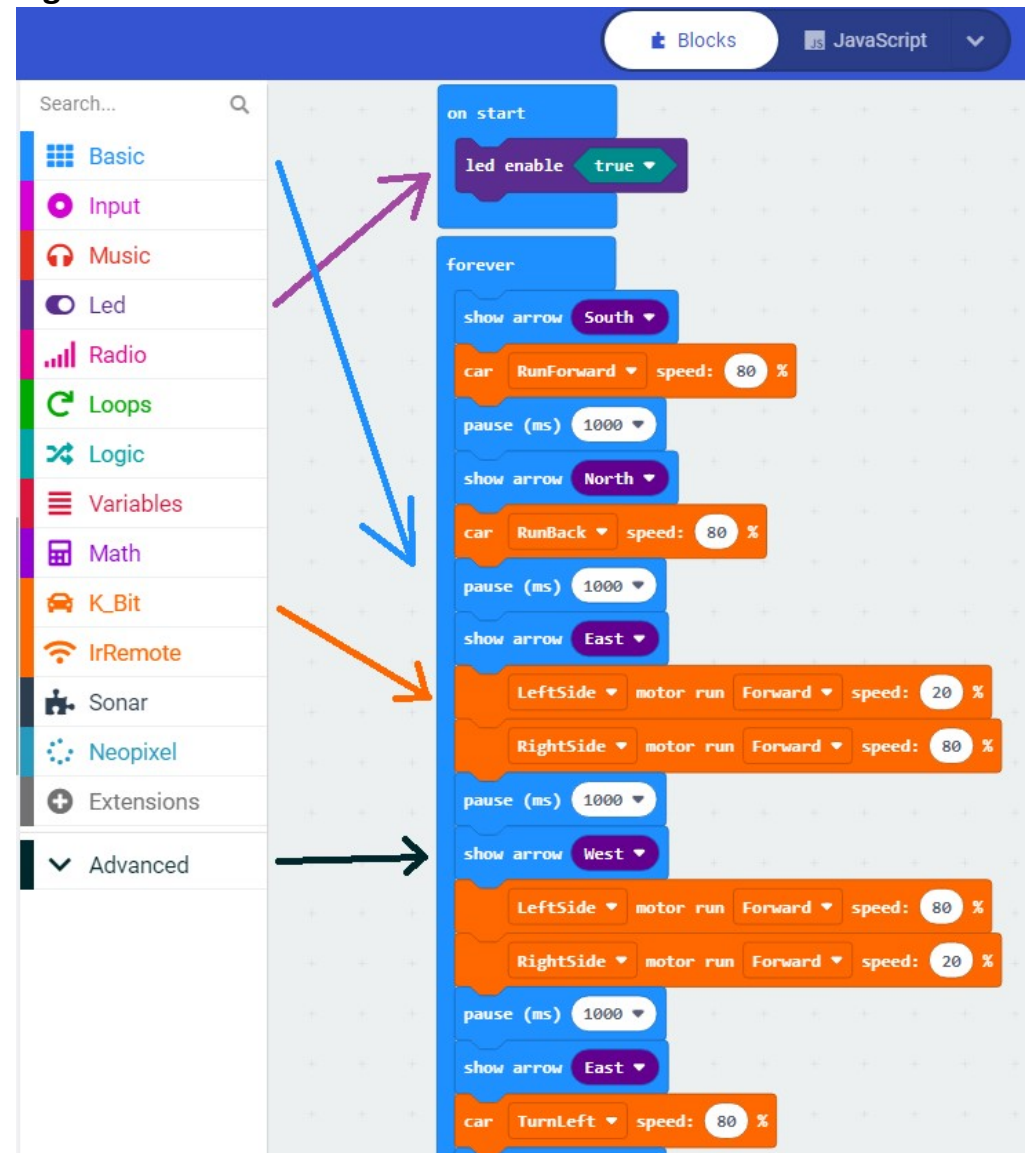


Figure 2



Example Robot Motor Drive Experiment 1 can be found at <https://makecode.microbit.org/17351-85940-06459-72277>

STEM Smart Robot can be purchase from Altronics.
<https://www.altronics.com.au/p/z6454-stem-microbit-mini-smart-robot-car-v2.0/>