

//Paste the code below into a new project at <https://makecode.microbit.org>

```
let maxAccelerationWasExceeded = false
```

```
input.onButtonPressed(Button.A, function () {
```

```
    maxAccelerationWasExceeded = false
```

```
})
```

```
basic.forever(function () {
```

```
    //store readings from the accelerometer into an array variable
```

```
    //calculate the magnitude of acceleration from the array of accelerometer  
values
```

```
    //create an array of the three acceleration values and the magnitude
```

```
    //check if the acceleration magnitude is more than is allowed by the system
```

```
    //use this value to set the maximum acceleration was reached variable to  
be either true or false
```

```
//display feedback about acceleration

//for debugging purposes, print out a string that shows the acceleration,
among other things

//Include a brief pause of the system before looping again

basic.pause(5)

})

function readAccelerometer() {

    //To access the value of the acceleration sensor, you use the
input.acceleration function.

    let ax = input.acceleration(Dimension.X)

    let ay = input.acceleration(Dimension.Y)

    let az = input.acceleration(Dimension.Z)
```

```
//The sensor values are from -1023 to 1023, but the accelerometer can be scaled to be real world units.
```

```
//The function scaleAccelerometerToMetersAndSeconds takes care of this conversion.
```

```
let axScaled = scaleAccelerometerToMetersAndSeconds(ax)
```

```
let ayScaled = scaleAccelerometerToMetersAndSeconds(ay)
```

```
let azScaled = scaleAccelerometerToMetersAndSeconds(az)
```

```
//This function returns an array of values, one for each direction x, y, z.
```

```
return [axScaled, ayScaled, azScaled]
```

```
}
```

```
function calculateAccelerationMagnitude(values: number[]) {
```

```
//To access information stored in arrays, you put the index of the information you want in brackets.
```

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//The first storage slot is 0, the second is 1, and so on.
```

```
let ax = values[0]
```

```
let ay = values[1]
```

```
let az = values[2]
```

```
//The magnitude of a 3D vector can be calculated by squaring each  
component, adding these squares,
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```
//and taking the square root.
```

```
let aMagnitude = Math.sqrt(ax * ax + ay * ay + az * az)
```

```
return aMagnitude
```

```
}
```

```
function scaleAccelerometerToMetersAndSeconds(accelerometerReading: number)  
{
```

```
    //This converts sensor values from the accelerometer (which are between  
-1023 to 1023) to real worlds values.
```

```
let minimumAccelerometerReading = -1023
```

```
let maximumAccelerometerReading = 1023
```

```
let minimumAccelerometerValue = -9.81 //this is the acceleration of  
Earth's gravity on the surface downwards.
```

```
let maximumAccelerometerValue = 9.81 //...and this is that same  
acceleration upwards.
```

```
//The map function takes a value x, which is between A and B, and scales  
it to a value that is between C and D.
```

```
let scaledValue = Math.map(accelerometerReading,  
minimumAccelerometerReading, maximumAccelerometerReading,  
minimumAccelerometerValue, maximumAccelerometerValue)
```

```
    return scaledValue

}

function isAccelerationMoreThanIsAllowed(accelerationMagnitude: number) {

    let maximumAllowedAcceleration = 12.0 //This is the maximum strength of
acceleration allowed in the system.

    if (accelerationMagnitude >= maximumAllowedAcceleration) {

        return true

    }

    else {

        return false

    }

}

function displayAccelerationFeedback(accelerationBeyondMaximum: boolean) {

    //This function runs two different functions depending on whether the
acceleration is above the threshold (maximum) or not.

    //You might say that this function isn't really necessary - it is a simple
if/then statement after all.
```

```
//The reason I have included it here is to give an example of separating  
the processing of inputs and variables from
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//responses to those inputs. This separation of responsibilities allows  
for testing to make sure that each works correctly
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```
//in isolation. This can be really helpful in debugging.
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```
if (accelerationBeyondMaximum == true) {
```

```
    showNegativeFeedback()
```

```
}
```

```
else {
```

```
    showPositiveFeedback()
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
//The same thing about separating responsibility applies to these two small  
one-line functions.
```

```
function showPositiveFeedback() {
```

```
    basic.showIcon(IconNames.Happy)
```

```
}
```

```
function showNegativeFeedback() {  
  
    basic.showIcon(IconNames.Sad)  
  
}
```

```
function setMaximumAccelerationFlagIfExceededMaximum() {  
  
    if(!maxAccelerationWasExceeded){  
  
        maxAccelerationWasExceeded = true  
  
    }  
  
}
```

```
function printAccelerationString(values: number[]) {  
  
    //The readAccelerometer function has an array of acceleration values as  
    its output.  
  
    //This function takes a three element array of acceleration values and  
    prints out a message with these  
  
    //accelerations, the acceleration magnitude (strength), and whether or not  
    the acceleration is more  
  
    //than the maximum allowed by the system.
```

```
let ax = values[0]

let ay = values[1]

let az = values[2]

let aMagnitude = calculateAccelerationMagnitude(values)

//Printing values to the serial port is a great way to make sure the
system is working as expected.

//This works in the

let accelString = ax + "," + ay + "," + az + "," + aMagnitude + "," +
isAccelerationMoreThanIsAllowed(aMagnitude)

serial.WriteLine(accelString)

}
```