

# FRC JAVA PROGRAMMING

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Note: This tutorial builds on itself and will not repeat the same tasks for each new section.  
Please read previous sections if there is a part you are confused with.

## PARTS A-F: SETUP AND BASICS OF WPILIB AND PROGRAMMING

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# LEARNING THE BASICS



# PART A:

# THE BRAINS OF THE BOT

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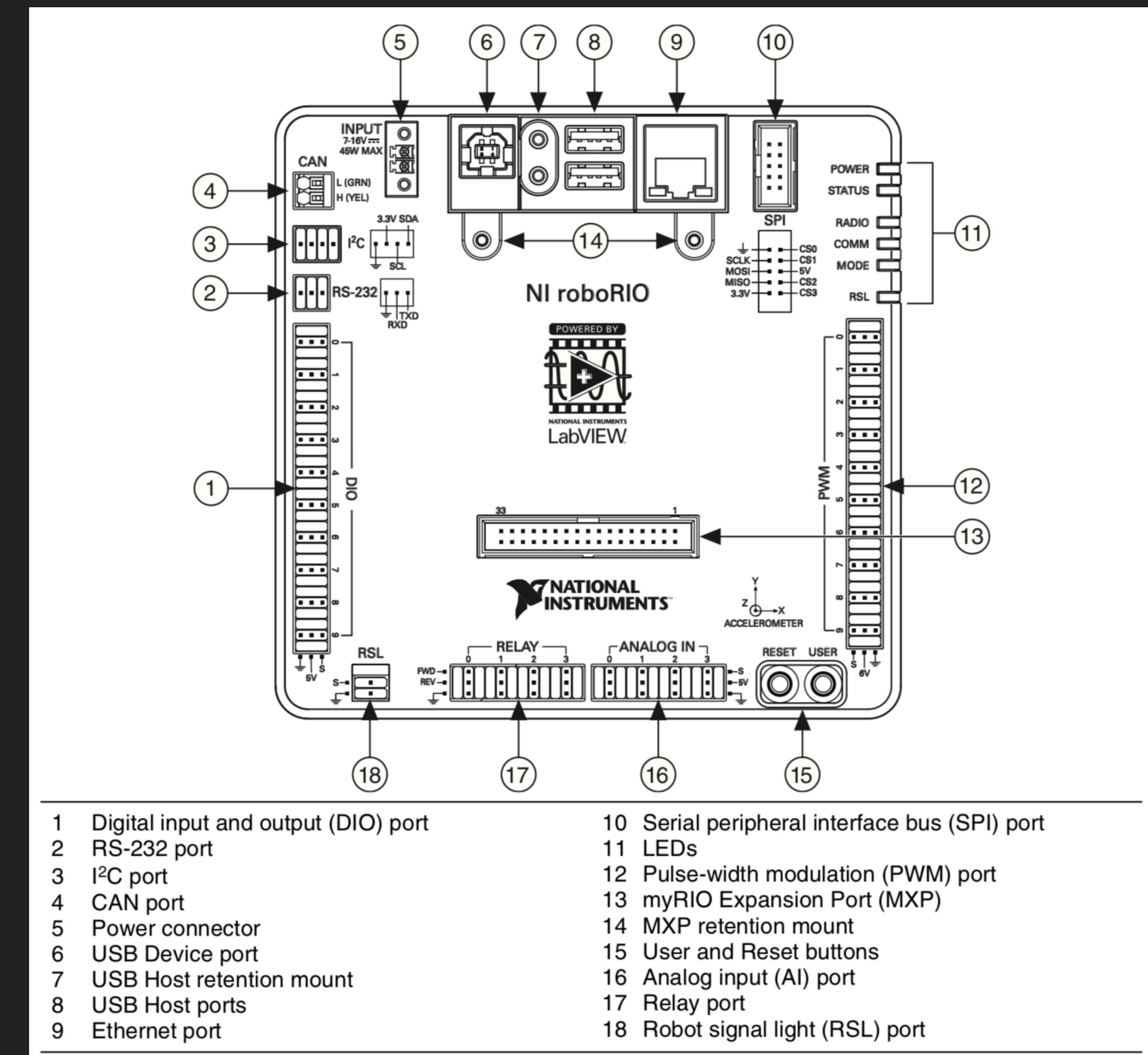
# THE ROBORIO

## THE ROBORIO

- ▶ The roboRIO is the brain of an FRC robot.
- ▶ It is the main processing unit and is where the code is stored and run.
- ▶ It is very similar to something like a Raspberry Pi, it's a mini computer!
- ▶ The roboRIO can connect to many different devices such as **motor controllers, servos, and sensors** through its various interface connections such as:
  - ▶ **Digital I/O, PWM, CAN Bus, Ethernet, USB, MXP**

# THE ROBORIO IO

- ▶ **Digital IO (DIO)** used for sensors and switches
- ▶ **PWM** used for motor controllers and servos
- ▶ **CAN** used for motor controllers and sensors
- ▶ **MXP** used for functionality expansion
- ▶ Check the roboRIO [user manual](#) for more details





**PART B:**  
**HOW DOES THE ROBOT SEE?**

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# **SENSORS**

## SOME TYPES OF SENSORS

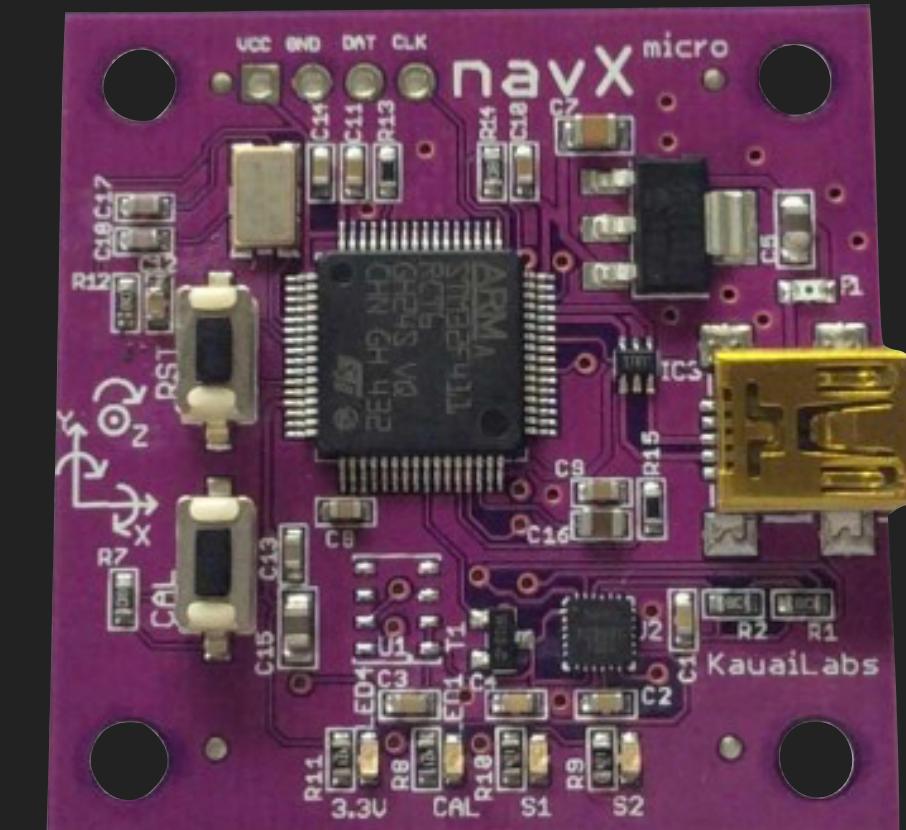
- ▶ **Limit Switches** - detects contact
- ▶ **Camera** - provides sight
- ▶ **Encoders** - measures rotational or linear motion
- ▶ **Ultrasonic** - measures distances
- ▶ **Gyroscope** - measures orientation
- ▶ See more info on [NURDVision](#)
- ▶ For more info on sensors see: [High Tech High Top Hat Technicians - Electrical Tutorial](#)



Limit Switch



Grayhill brand  
Quadrature  
Encoder



[Kauai Labs navX](#)  
Gryo / Accelerometer



**PART C:**  
**LEARNING WHATS WHAT**

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**JAVA**  
**PROGRAMMING BASICS**

## OVERVIEW

- ▶ Objects, variables, and classes (in Java) make up our programs. We define, modify, use these variables and objects to make our programs run.
- ▶ Programs use key words to define characteristics of variables or objects.
- ▶ Basic keywords:
  - ▶ `public` - an object accessible by other classes (files)
  - ▶ `private` - an object only accessible by its containing class (file).
  - ▶ `protected` - like private but can be seen by subclasses
  - ▶ `return` - value to return or give back after method execution (run).
  - ▶ `void` - a method that returns no value
- ▶ **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Java is case sensitive, meaning capitalization matters!

## CLASSES

- ▶ Classes are the files that contain our programming
- ▶ A program can be made up of at least one class but can be made of many classes
- ▶ All programs run a main class that can optionally load additional classes either directly or indirectly (i.e. main loads class1, class1 loads class2)
- ▶ Classes are made up of variables and methods and are often used to separate and organize your code.
- ▶ Classes can also **call** (use) variables or methods of other classes if those have been set to public.

## CLASSES

- ▶ Classes can also have a **constructor** which is a special type of **method** having the same name (case sensitive) as the class file
- ▶ Constructors are always called when the class is loaded into the program for the first time. This is often the only time they are called
- ▶ They can be called again if the class is programmed to be unloaded (destroyed) and reloaded

## VARIABLES

- ▶ Variables are objects that contain data, they are characterized by data types
- ▶ Variables are assigned names and data types on creation
  - ▶ Names be anything with the exception of pre-existing keywords such as `public` or `int`
- ▶ Data types as the name suggest define what type of data is being store in the variables:
  - ▶ `int` - integers (whole numbers)
  - ▶ `double` - double precision floating point (fractional/decimal values)
  - ▶ `boolean` - true or false (`true = 1` or `false = 0`) values.
  - ▶ `string` - text values contained in parentheses

## VARIABLES

- ▶ Examples:
  - ▶ `int sum;` - A variable that can hold whole number values
  - ▶ `bool isFull = true;` - A variable can either hold a true or false value and is being assigned a true value;
  - ▶ Most (non-static) variables can have their values assigned or assigned at any point in your program

## METHODS

- ▶ Methods, also known as functions, can be thought of as subprograms or routines that run inside of your main program.
- ▶ Methods are used when you want to run the same code multiple times. Copy pasting code is **BAD!** Use methods instead!
- ▶ Methods are also useful to access only certain parts or functions of another class.
- ▶ Methods can also have their own variables (local) or use variables available throughout the whole class (global variables), this will be explained more in the scope section.
- ▶ Methods can call (use) other methods, even multiple times.

- ▶ Example:

```
int value;  
void increment() {  
    value++;  
}
```

## SCOPE

- ▶ When creating a variable, where you create it matters. This is known as the scope of a variable.
  - ▶ The scope is where a variable can be seen within a class
  - ▶ A variable created in a method can only be seen in that method. This is a **local** variable.
  - ▶ A variable created outside a method can be seen in all methods of that class (file). This is a **global** variable.
- ▶ Example of Local Variable
- ```
public void testMethod() {  
    int example = 12;  
}
```
- ▶ Example of a Global Variable:
- ```
int example = 1;  
public void testMethod() {  
}
```

## PARAMETERS

- ▶ Parameters are variables that are passed (sent to) a method for it to use.
- ▶ You can pass more than one parameter but order matters when calling the method.
- ▶ Example of the method:  

```
double half(int num1){  
    double multiplier = 0.5;  
    return num1*multiplier;  
}
```
- ▶ Example of the method being called (used) in a class:  

```
int newNumber = half(12);
```

## COMMENTS

- ▶ Comments are a programmer-readable explanation or annotation in the source code of a program.
- ▶ Comments do not affect what the code does.
- ▶ Comments are often used to leave notes or explanations of what methods or classes are doing so that it is easier to understand the code.
- ▶ Example:

```
//This is a comment
```

## CONVENTIONS

- ▶ There are also many different conventions when programming, this ensures that programs are readable between different people.
- ▶ A common naming convention:
  - ▶ Programming is often done in CamelCase or lowerCamelCase
  - ▶ Multiple words that are joined together as a single word with the first letter of each of the multiple words capitalized so that each word that makes up the name can easily be read
  - ▶ For example:
    - ▶ ThreeMotorDrive, driveForward, setSpeed
  - ▶ There are other naming conventions but for this tutorial we will use the camel cases



**PART D:**

**MAKING FRC PROGRAMMING EASY**

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**WPILIB**

**PROGRAMMING BASICS**

## COMMAND BASED ROBOT

- ▶ For our programming tutorial we will be creating a Command based robot
- ▶ Command Based Robots are much like Legos, with very basic pieces you can make something **simple** like a house or **complicated** like a replica Star Wars Millennium Falcon
- ▶ A command based robot is broken down into **subsystem** classes and **command** classes.
- ▶ In the code, a command based robot is made up of 3 **packages (folders)** labeled robot, commands, and subsystems
- ▶ There are other types of robots but we will use Command Based

## SUBSYSTEMS

- ▶ A **subsystem** is a special template class made by FRC.
- ▶ In robotics, subsystems are sections of the whole robot.
  - ▶ For example every FRC robot has a **Drivetrain** subsystem which is what controls the robot's driving both physically and programmatically.
  - ▶ To avoid confusion between software and mechanical teams, subsystems should be called the same thing. If we have a ball intake system, we will both call it **Intake** or **Collector**.
  - ▶ Subsystems of a robot can contain parts to control or read data from.
    - ▶ The **Drivetrain** subsystem could contain **motor controllers** and **encoders** both physically and programmatically.
  - ▶ Using a dog as an example: the **legs**, **tail**, and **head** are **subsystems**.
    - ▶ The **head** subsystem has the parts: **eyes**, **ears**, and **nose**.

## SUBSYSTEMS

- ▶ When programming subsystems we use variables and methods to tell our subsystem what it has and what it is capable of or should do.
- ▶ These variables will be the parts in the subsystem
- ▶ These methods will define what those parts are capable of.
- ▶ Using a dog **head** subsystem as an example:
  - ▶ A some variables (parts) would be: **leftEye**, **rightEye**, **nose**, **leftEar**, **rightEar**.
  - ▶ Some example methods would be **closeEyes** or **openEyes** since these are things the dog are capable of.
  - ▶ These methods would use both the **leftEye** and **rightEye** and close them.

```
//This method closes the  
dog eyes
```

```
public void closeEyes() {  
    leftEye.close();  
    rightEye.close();  
}
```

## SUBSYSTEMS

- ▶ A robot example of a **Drivetrain** subsystem would have **leftMotor**, and **rightMotor** as variables and **setSpeed** as a method telling it how to set the speed of those motor controllers.
- ▶ Having the **setSpeed** method tells our program that our **Drivetrain** subsystem can set its speed.

```
//This method sets the speed of the drivetrain

public void setSpeed(double speed){
    leftMotor.set(speed);
    rightMotor.set(speed);
}
```

## COMMANDS

- ▶ A **command** is a special template class (file) made by FRC.
- ▶ In robotics, commands are actions you want a robot to do (just like a real life command).
  - ▶ A **command** is an action a **subsystem(s)** performs.
  - ▶ For example you may want your robot to drive full speed forward so you make a command class called **DriveForward**.
    - ▶ Since a robot uses a **Drivetrain** subsystem to control its motors, this command would call our previously created **setSpeed** method from that subsystem.
  - ▶ **IMPORTANT:** **Subsystems** define what the robot is made of and what it can do while **commands** actually tell the robot to do those things
  - ▶ Using a dog as an example we can tell the dog to blink by creating a **BlinkEyes** command
    - ▶ The command would call the method, **closeEyes()** then the method **openEyes()**

## COMMANDS

- ▶ When programming **commands** we call methods that we had previously created in our **subsystems**
- ▶ When we run our command through autonomous or pushing a button, it will in turn run our subsystem methods.
- ▶ Using a dog **blinking** as an example:
- ▶ Our command would be called **BlinkEyes**
- ▶ The command would access the **head** subsystem and call both the **closeEyes()** and **openEyes()** methods we created

```
//This command will
continuously run the two
methods in execute

protected void execute()
{
    dog.head.closeEyes();
    dog.head.openEyes();
}
```

## COMMANDS

- ▶ A robot example of a **DriveForward** command would call (use) the **setSpeed** methods that we created in the **Drivetrain** subsystem
- ▶ **DriveForward**, when executed, will tell our robot to drive forward using the **Drivetrain** subsystem

```
//This command tells the robot to drive forward full speed
```

```
protected void initialize(){  
    robot.drivetrain.setSpeed(1.0);  
}
```

## COMMANDS

- ▶ The template for FRC commands actually come with some pre-defined methods that have special properties for FRC robots, they are:
  - ▶ `initialize()` - Methods in here are called just before this Command runs the first time.
  - ▶ `execute()` - Methods in here are called repeatedly when this Command is scheduled to run
  - ▶ `isFinished()` - When this returns true, the Command stops running `execute()`
  - ▶ `end()` - Methods in here are called once after `isFinished` returns true
  - ▶ `interrupted()` - Methods in here are called when another command which requires one or more of the same subsystems is scheduled to run
  - ▶ It is good practice to call `end()` here

## OVERVIEW OF EXECUTION

- ▶ In FRC programming our main class is **Robot.java** and all other classes (command files and subsystem files) must be loaded from **Robot.java** either directly or indirectly (i.e. **Robot.java** loads **OI.java**, **OI.java** loads **DriveForward.java**).
- ▶ All **subsystem** files must be added to **Robot.java**'s auto-created **robotInit()** method.
- ▶ This loads our **subsystems** into the code and allow its public methods to be useable by other files such as commands later by typing **Robot.nameOfSubsystem.desiredMethod();**

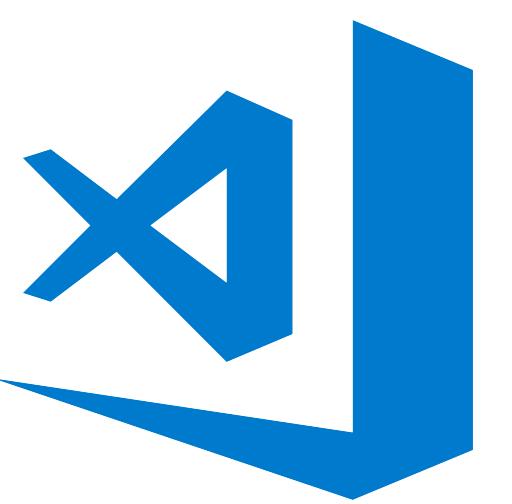
## NEW PROJECT FILES

- ▶ When creating a new command based robot project, the following classes (files) will be created:
  - ▶ **Robot.java** - The main class of the robot which is run when a robot boots up.
  - ▶ **OI.java** - This class binds our **commands** to a physical operator interface such as a joystick or controller.
    - ▶ This file is already in `robotInit()` by default so classes called here will also be loaded by the program
  - ▶ **RobotMap.java** - This class is used to hold all the ports or ID numbers of sensors or devices connected to the robot and assign them a variable name.
    - ▶ This provides flexibility changing wiring, makes checking the wiring easier and significantly reduces the number of magic numbers floating around.
  - ▶ **ExampleSubsystem.java** and **ExampleCommand.java** are auto-created examples.

## SUMMARY

- ▶ Command based robots are broken down into **subsystems** and **commands**
- ▶ **Subsystems** define what the robot is made of and what it can do while **commands** actually tell the robot to do those things
- ▶ All classes must directly or indirectly connect to **Robot.java**.
  - ▶ All **Subsystems** must be added to **Robot.java's robotInit()**
  - ▶ **RobotMap.java** holds port numbers and IDs accessible throughout the program by typing: **RobotMap.NameOfMotor()**
  - ▶ **OI.java** connects our commands to physical controllers



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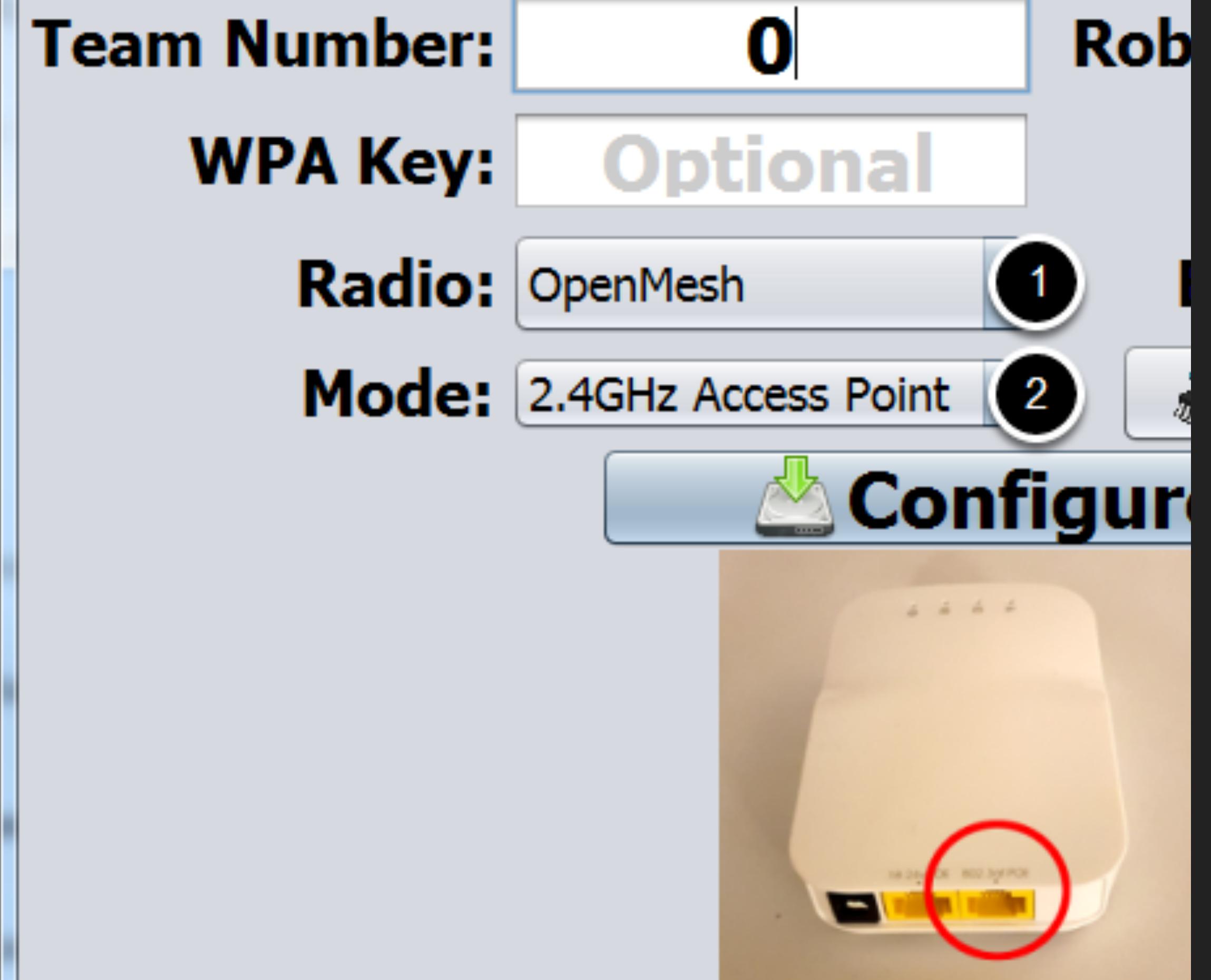
## PART E: LETS GET STARTED

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# INSTALLING NECESSARY SOFTWARE

THIS SECTION NEEDS TO BE CONFIRMED FOR 2019  
PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS IN THE MEANTIME:

[HTTPS://WPILIB.SCREENSTEPSSLIVE.COM/S/CURRENTCS/M/79833/L/  
932382-INSTALLING-VS-CODE](https://wpilib.screenstepslive.com/s/currentcs/m/79833/l/932382-installing-vs-code)

**To program your wireless bridge:**

- 1) Connect power and Ethernet to the wireless bridge.
- 2) Make sure to use the "802.3af" Ethernet port as shown above.
- 3) Wait for the Power light to turn and stay solid.
- 4) Enter your team number, and a WPA key (optional), above
- 5) Press "Configure", the process should take 15-60 seconds

**If asked**

- 1) Event
- 2) Radio
- 3) Unplug
- 4) Press
- 5) Follow

**THIS SECTION HAS NOT YET BEEN CREATED****PART F:  
GOING WIRELESS!****SETTING-UP THE  
ROBOT RADIO**

## PARTS 1-7: PROGRAMMING IN JAVA WITH WPILIB

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# PROGRAMMING FOR AN FRC ROBOT



## PART 1: LETS GET MOVING

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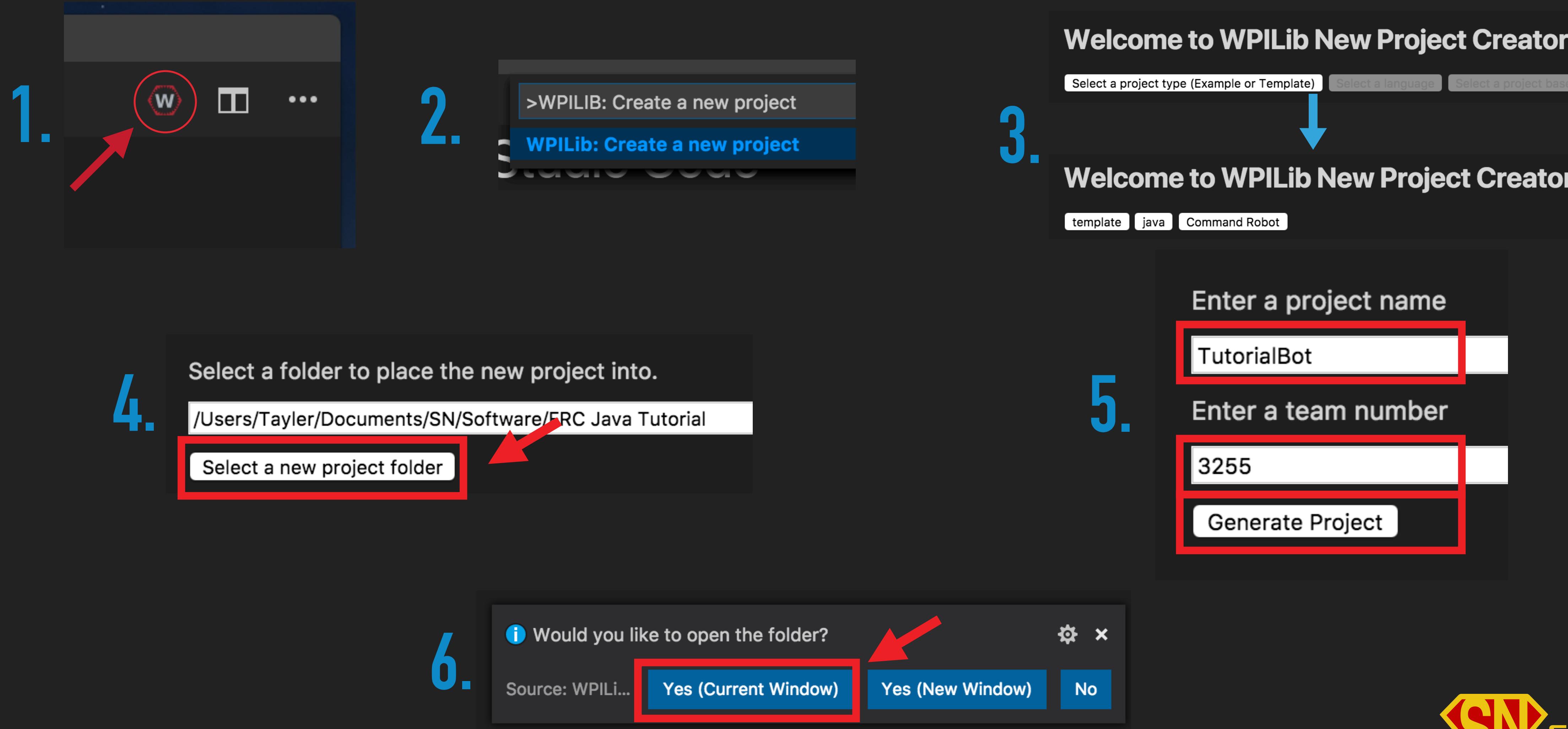
# CREATING A BASIC DRIVING ROBOT

**WHAT IS IN THIS ROBOT?**

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**CREATING THE DRIVETRAIN  
SUBSYSTEM**

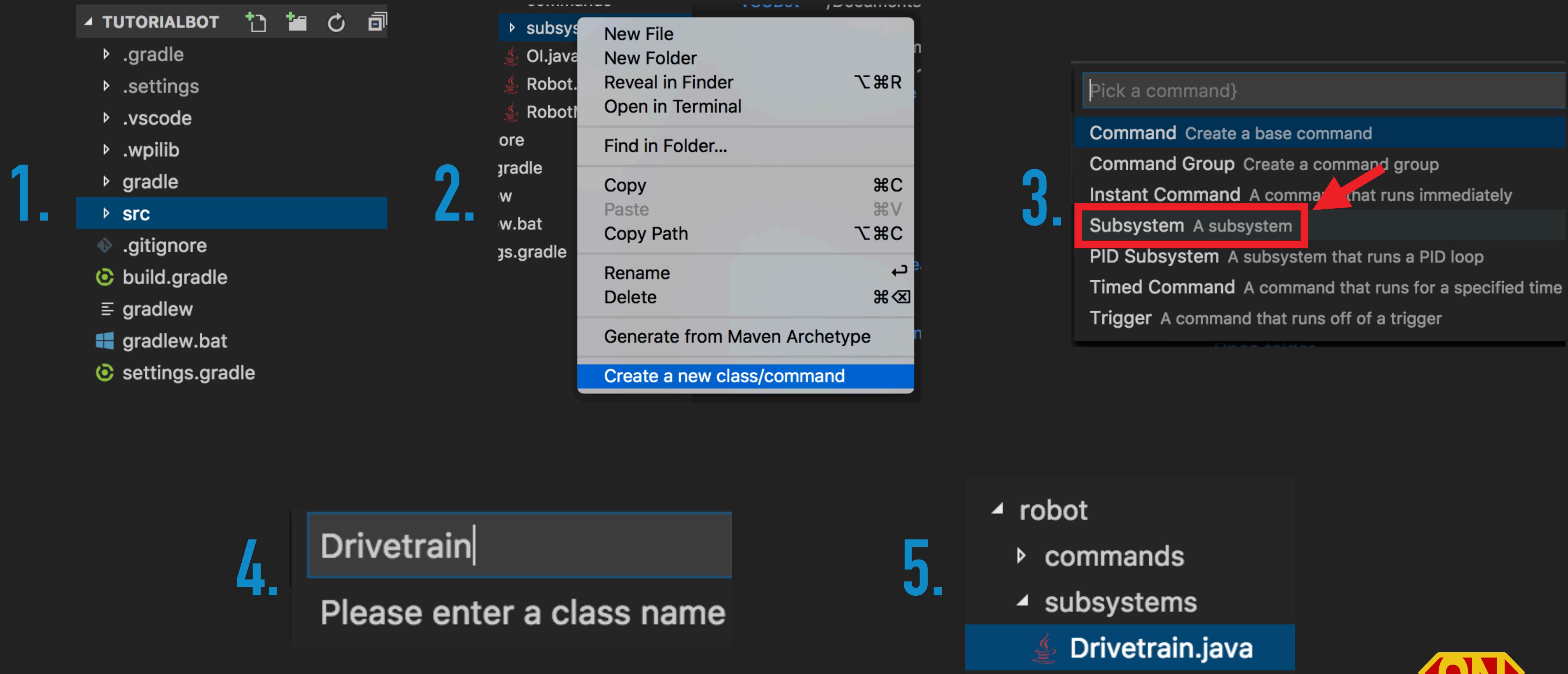
## CREATING A NEW PROJECT - VISUAL INSTRUCTIONS



## CREATING A NEW PROJECT - TEXT INSTRUCTIONS

- ▶ Select the W icon from the tab bar or use the shortcut by holding down **Ctrl+Shift+P** at the same time. (Replace ctrl with cmd on macOS)
- ▶ Type and hit enter or select **WPILib: Create a new project**
- ▶ Click **Select a Project Type** and choose **Template**
- ▶ Click **Select a Language** and choose **Java**
- ▶ Click **Select a project base** and choose **Command Robot**
- ▶ Click **Select a new project folder** and choose where on your computer you would like to store the program
- ▶ Enter a project name in the text field labeled as such
- ▶ Enter your team number in the text field labeled as such
- ▶ Select **Generate Project**
- ▶ When prompted “**Would you like to open the folder?**”, select **Yes (Current Window)**

# CREATING A THE DRIVETRAIN SUBSYSTEM - VISUAL INSTRUCTIONS



## CREATING THE DRIVETRAIN SUBSYSTEM - TEXT INSTRUCTIONS

- ▶ Double click on the **src** folder to expand it. Do the same for **Subsystems**
- ▶ Right click on **subsystems** and select **Create a new class/command**.
- ▶ Select **Subsystem** and type **Drivetrain** for the name and hit enter on your keyboard.
- ▶ Click on the newly create **Drivetrain.java**

**SLIDES BEYOND THIS POINT  
HAVE NOT BEEN UPDATED**

# ADDING THE SUBSYSTEM TO ROBOT.JAVA

- ▶ When a robot program runs on the roboRIO it only runs the main file Robot.java and anything Robot.java links to.
- ▶ We have created a new subsystem but we have not yet linked it to Robot.java. **WE MUST ALWAYS DO THIS!**
- ▶ In Robot.java we will create a new **global** variable of type Drivetrain named drivetrain and set its value to null.
  - ▶ Quick fix -> import Drivetrain
  - ▶ In the robotInit() method add: `drivetrain = new Drivetrain();`
  - ▶ **IMPORTANT:** This must always be done above OI and Telemetry/SmartDashboard (if present).
  - ▶ Now when use this subsystem in commands we must call Robot.drivetrain to get access to it and its methods.

```
1. public class Robot extends IterativeRobot {  
  
    public static final ExampleSubsystem exampleSubsystem;  
    public static Drivetrain drivetrain = null;  
    public static OI oi;  
  
2. public void robotInit() {  
    drivetrain = new Drivetrain();  
  
    oi = new OI(); // MUST ALWAYS BE THE LAST SUBSYSTEM  
  
    chooser.addDefault("Default Auto", new ExampleCommand());  
    // chooser.addObject("My Auto", new MyAutoCommand());  
    SmartDashboard.putData("Auto mode", chooser);  
}
```

## CREATING A JOYSTICK

- ▶ Open OI.java
- ▶ We need to create a new joystick
  - ▶ Type: `public Joystick driverController = new Joystick(RobotMap.OI_DRIVER_CONTROLLER);`
  - ▶ A variable `driverController` of type `Joystick` pointing to a joystick on port `OI_DRIVER_CONTROLLER` from `RobotMap`
  - ▶ Quick fix create a new constant and set the value to the port number the joystick uses on the laptop (this can be found in the Driverstation software) (Go back to OI.java when finished)

## YOUR CODE SHOULD LOOK SIMILAR TO THIS IN OI.JAVA AND ROBOTMAP.JAVA

```
public class OI {  
  
    public Joystick driverController = new Joystick(RobotMap.OI_DRIVER_CONTROLLER);  
  
}  
  
public class RobotMap {  
  
    // For example to map the left and right motors, you could define the  
    // following variables to use with your drivetrain subsystem.  
    // public static int leftMotor = 1;  
    // public static int rightMotor = 2;  
  
    // Talons  
    public static final int DRIVETRAIN_LEFT_FRONT_TALON = 0;  
    public static final int DRIVETRAIN_LEFT_BACK_TALON = 1;  
    public static final int DRIVETRAIN_RIGHT_FRONT_TALON = 2;  
    public static final int DRIVETRAIN_RIGHT_BACK_TALON = 3;  
  
    // Joysticks  
    public static final int OI_DRIVER_CONTROLLER = 0;  
}
```

## WHAT IS ROBOTDRIVE?

- ▶ The FIRST RobotDrive class has many preconfigured methods available to us including TankDrive, ArcadeDrive, and many alterations of MecanumDrive.
- ▶ For our tutorial we will be creating an ArcadeDrive
- ▶ An ArcadeDrive drive is a special preconfigured method created in the RobotDrive class by FIRST available to teams.
  - ▶ Arcade drives run by taking a moveSpeed and rotateSpeed. moveSpeed defines the forward and reverse speed and rotateSpeed defines the turning left and right speed.
  - ▶ To create an arcade drive we will be using our already existing Drivetrain code and adding to it.

## SETTING UP A ROBOT DRIVE

- ▶ In the same place we created our talons (outside of the constructor) we will create a new RobotDrive
- ▶ Type: `RobotDrive robotDrive = null;`
- ▶ We must also initialize the robotDrive like we did the talons. In the constructor...
- ▶ Type: `robotDrive = new RobotDrive(leftFrontTalon, leftBackTalon, rightFrontTalon,rightBackTalon).`
- ▶ The RobotDrive constructor we are using requires parameters of 4 motors in the order we used above.
- ▶ If you are only using 2 motors, just use the left and right (in that order).

## CREATING THE ARCADEDRIVE METHOD

- ▶ Now its time to make an arcadeDrive from our robotDrive.
- ▶ Lets create a public void method called arcadeDrive with type double parameters moveSpeed and rotateSpeed.
- ▶ By putting something in the parentheses it makes the method require a parameter when it is used. When the method gets used and parameters are passed, they will be store in moveSpeed and rotateSpeed (in that order).
- ▶ In the method type: `robotDrive.arcadeDrive(moveSpeed, rotateSpeed);`
  - ▶ The arcadeDrive method takes parameters moveValue and rotateValue.
  - ▶ If you want to limit the max speed you can multiple the speeds by a decimal (i.e. `0.5*moveSpeed` will make the motors only move half of their maximum speed)
    - ▶ You may want to do this for initial testing to make sure everything is going the right direction.
  - ▶ It should look something like this (see image):

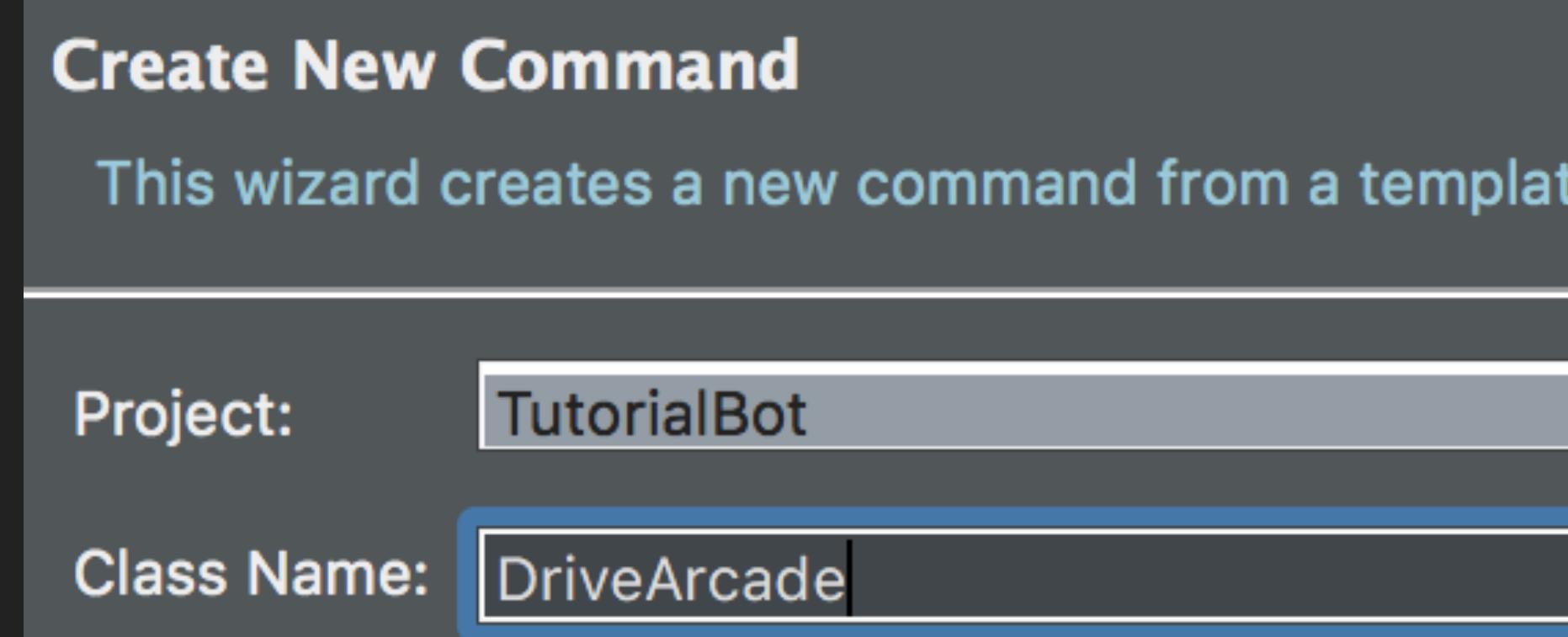
```
public void arcadeDrive(double moveSpeed, double rotateSpeed){  
    robotDrive.arcadeDrive(moveSpeed, rotateSpeed);  
}
```

## CREATING THE ARCADEDRIVE COMMAND

- ▶ Methods tell the robot what it can to but in order to make it do these things we must give it a command.
- ▶ Now that we have created the method, we need to create a command to call and use that method.
- ▶ Lets create a command called DriveArcade that calls arcadeDrive

# CREATING A NEW COMMAND

- ▶ Select .command create a new command  
(ctrl N -> WPILib -> Command)
- ▶ Under Class Name type: DriveArcade
- ▶ Open DriveArcade



```
2. public class DriveArcade extends Command {  
  
    public DriveArcade() {  
        // Use requires() here to declare subsystem dependencies  
        // e.g. requires(chassis);  
    }  
  
    // Called just before this Command runs the first time  
    protected void initialize() {  
    }  
  
    // Called repeatedly when this Command is scheduled to run  
    protected void execute() {  
    }  
  
    // Make this return true when this Command no longer needs to run execute()  
    protected boolean isFinished() {  
        return false;  
    }  
  
    // Called once after isFinished returns true  
    protected void end() {  
    }  
  
    // Called when another command which requires one or more of the same  
    // subsystems is scheduled to run  
    protected void interrupted() {  
    }  
}
```

## PARTS OF A COMMAND

- ▶ Constructor - Called when the robot program is first loaded.
  - ▶ Subsystem dependencies are declared here.
- ▶ Initialize - Called **ONCE** just before this Command runs the first time.
- ▶ Execute - Called **REPEATEDLY** when this Command is scheduled to run
- ▶ isFinished - Make this return **TRUE** when this Command no longer needs to run execute() (initialize always runs once regardless).
- ▶ End - Called **ONCE** after isFinished returns true
- ▶ Interrupted - Called when **another command** which requires one or more of the same subsystems is scheduled to run

## DRIVEARCADE COMMAND

- ▶ In the constructor DriveArcade() type:  
requires(Robot.drivetrain).
- ▶ This means that this command will stop all other commands from accessing drivetrain while this command is using it.
- ▶ Quick fix -> import 'Robot'. (Only if you have an error)
  - ▶ **IMPORTANT:** Be sure to import the one with  
org.usfirst.frc.team

```
public DriveArcade() {
    requires(Robot.drivetrain);
    // Use requires(Robot.drivetrain);
    // etc.
}
```

16 quick fixes available:  
← Import 'Robot' (org.usfirst.frc.team3255.robot)

## IN EXECUTE( )...

- ▶ We will create 2 variables of type double called moveSpeed and rotateSpeed.
- ▶ We want these variables to be the value of the axeses of the controller we are using to drive the robot. So we will set them equal to that.
- ▶ We use negative in front since on our personal controllers since up reads -1 (this may differ.)
- ▶ The joystick we created has a special FIRST created method called getRawAxis. This will get the position value of the axis as you move it. The method takes parameter: axis number. (This can be found in the driver station and we will store it in RobotMap).
- ▶ Below that we want to call the arcadeDrive method we created in Drivetrain and give it the variables moveSpeed and rotateSpeed we created as parameters.

```
protected void execute() {  
    double moveSpeed = -Robot.oi.joystick.getRawAxis(RobotMap.JOYSTICK_MOVE_AXIS);  
    double rotateSpeed = Robot.oi.joystick.getRawAxis(RobotMap.JOYSTICK_ROTATE_AXIS);  
  
    Robot.drivetrain.arcadeDrive(moveSpeed, rotateSpeed);  
}
```

## IN END()...

- ▶ We will call the arcadeDrive method and give it 0 and 0 as the parameters.
- ▶ This make the motors stop running when the command ends by setting the movement speed to zero and rotation speed to zero.
- ▶ In interrupted() we will make it call end.
- ▶ This makes the end method get called if the command gets interrupted.

```
// Called once after isFinished returns true
protected void end() {
    Robot.drivetrain.arcadeDrive(0, 0);
}

// Called when another command which requires
// subsystems is scheduled to run
protected void interrupted() {
    end();
}
```

## YOUR CODE SHOULD LOOK SIMILAR TO THIS IN DRIVEARCADE.JAVA

```
public class DriveArcade extends Command {  
  
    public DriveArcade() {  
        // Use requires() here to declare subsystem dependencies  
        // e.g. requires(chassis);  
        requires(Robot.drivetrain);  
    }  
  
    // Called just before this Command runs the first time  
    protected void initialize() {  
    }  
  
    // Called repeatedly when this Command is scheduled to run  
    protected void execute() {  
        double moveSpeed = -Robot.oi.joystick.getRawAxis(RobotMap.JOYSTICK_MOVE_AXIS);  
        double rotateSpeed = Robot.oi.joystick.getRawAxis(RobotMap.JOYSTICK_ROTATE_AXIS);  
  
        Robot.drivetrain.arcadeDrive(moveSpeed, rotateSpeed);  
    }  
  
    // Make this return true when this Command no longer needs to run execute()  
    protected boolean isFinished() {  
        return false;  
    }  
  
    // Called once after isFinished returns true  
    protected void end() {  
        Robot.drivetrain.arcadeDrive(0, 0);  
    }  
  
    // Called when another command which requires one or more of the same  
    // subsystems is scheduled to run  
    protected void interrupted() {  
        end();  
    }  
}
```

## INITDEFAULTCOMMAND()

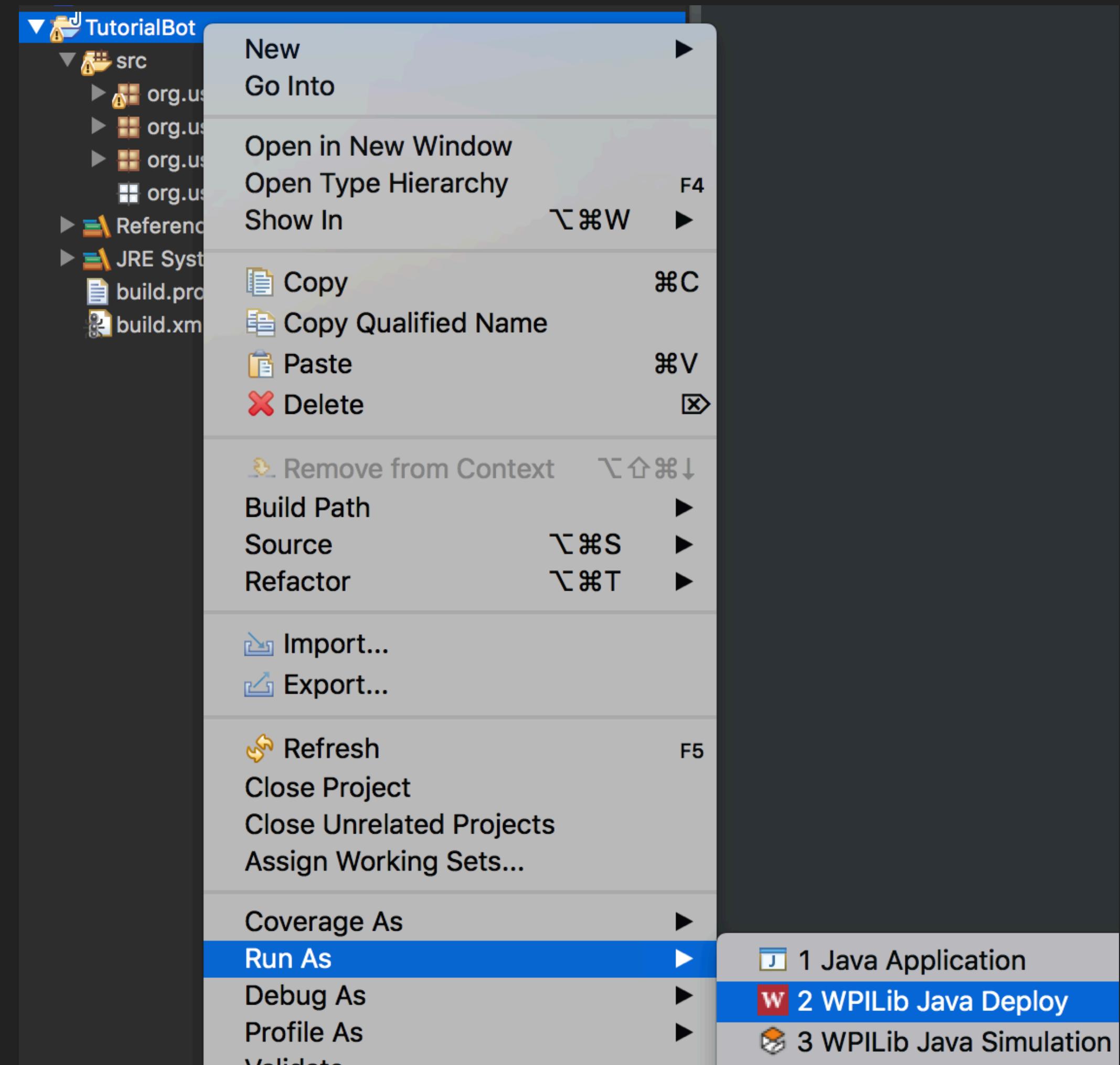
- ▶ Commands within this method run when the robot is enabled and run when no other commands require that subsystem.
- ▶ This is why we write requires in the commands we create, it stops other commands using that subsystem when that command is ran.
- ▶ Back in Drivetrain in the initDefaultCommand() method we will put our newly created command.

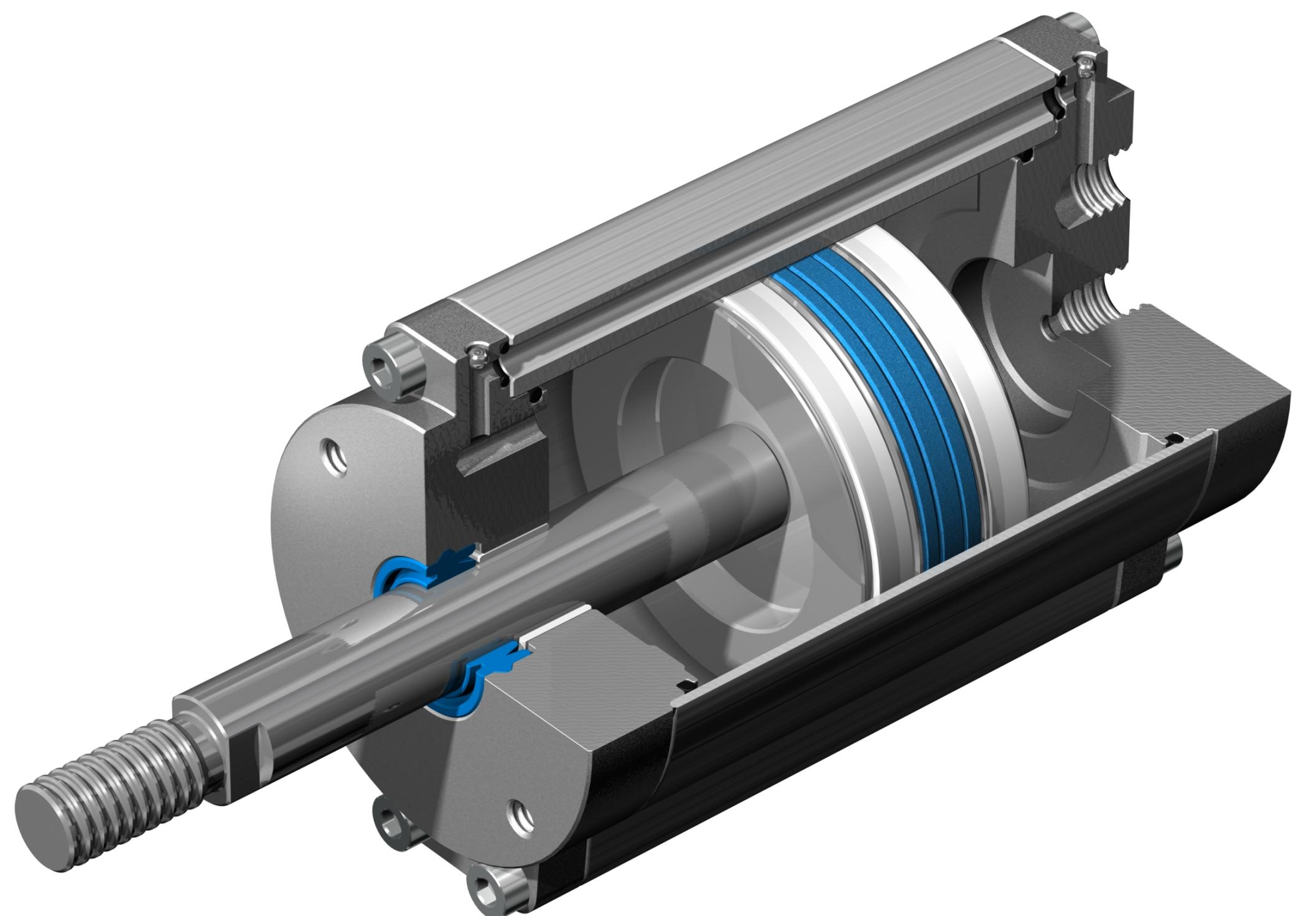
```
public void initDefaultCommand() {  
    // Set the default command for a subsystem here.  
    setDefaultCommand(new DriveArcade());  
}
```

- ▶ Quick fix import the command DriveArcade.

# DEPLOYING CODE

- ▶ To deploy code, first make sure your computer either connect to the robot over USB, ethernet, or the radio.
- ▶ Make sure your team number in Eclipse is set to the same team number your roboRIO was programmed for.
- ▶ You can check/change this in Eclipse preferences under WPIlib Preferences.
- ▶ Select your project (TutorialBot) and right click it, then select **Run As -> WPIlib Java Deploy**





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**PART 2:**  
**CHECK THE AIR PRESSURE**  

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**USING**  
**PNEUMATICS**

## WHAT ARE PNEUMATICS?

- ▶ You have probably heard of hydraulics before which is based on water pressure, pneumatics are essentially the same but with air pressure.
- ▶ Unlike motors and gears which are commonly infinitely positional, pneumatic cylinders are normally dual-positional or sometimes tri-positional.
- ▶ Pneumatic cylinders are actuated through devices called solenoids.
- ▶ Solenoids are used to control pneumatic pistons (air cylinders) similar to how Talons control motors.

## WHAT ARE SOLENOIDS?

- ▶ Cylinders are actuated with either **single solenoids** or **double solenoids**.
- ▶ A **single solenoid** actuates with one air line, using air to switch to and hold the extended state and releasing air (sometimes paired with a spring) to allow the cylinder to return to the retracted state.
  - ▶ A single solenoid valve has one solenoid, and shifts when voltage is **CONSTANTLY** supplied to that solenoid. When voltage is removed, it shifts back to a "home" position.
- ▶ A **double solenoid** actuates with two air lines, using air to switch and hold states between retracted and extended.
  - ▶ A double solenoid has two solenoids, and when voltage is supplied to one (and not the other) the valve shifts.
- ▶ Solenoids are connected to the Pneumatics Control Module (PCM)
  - ▶ The PCM is connected to the roboRIO via the CAN bus.

## PROGRAMMING SOLENOIDS

- ▶ For this tutorial we are going to create a new subsystem called shooter and add one pneumatic piston (cylinder) which will be used for changing the pitch of the shooter.
  - ▶ Create your new Shooter subsystem on your own now
    - ▶ **(DON'T FORGET TO ADD IT TO ROBOT.JAVA, [click here for a refresher](#)).**
  - ▶ It will be controlled through a double solenoid.
  - ▶ We are going to create a DoubleSolenoid named pitchSolenoid.
    - ▶ DoubleSolenoids have 2 controllable positions (deployed(forward) and retracted(reverse)).
    - ▶ The DoubleSolenoid constructor takes 2 parameters - (new DoubleSolenoid(port1, port2))
      - ▶ Forward control and Reverse control ports on the PCM.
      - ▶ Like all ports we use, we will store this in the RobotMap.
    - ▶ Create your DoubleSolenoid named pitchSolenoid now using the same technique used to create a talon but replacing Talon with DoubleSolenoid. (For single solenoids just use Solenoid).

## YOUR SHOOTER.JAVA AND ROBOTMAP.JAVA SHOULD LOOK SIMILAR TO THIS

```
public class Shooter extends Subsystem {  
  
    DoubleSolenoid pitchSolenoid = null;  
  
    public Shooter() {  
        pitchSolenoid = new DoubleSolenoid(RobotMap.SHOOTER_PITCH_SOLENOID_DEPLOY, RobotMap.SHOOTER_PITCH_SOLENOID_RETRACT);  
    }  
  
    // Joysticks  
    public static final int OI_DRIVER_CONTROLLER = 0;  
    public static final int JOYSTICK_MOVE_AXIS = 1;  
    public static final int JOYSTICK_ROTATE_AXIS = 2;  
  
    // Solenoids  
    public static final int SHOOTER_PITCH_SOLENOID_DEPLOY = 0;  
    public static final int SHOOTER_PITCH_SOLENOID_RETRACT = 1;
```

## CREATING THE PITCHUP AND PITCHDOWN METHODS

- ▶ Create a public void method called pitchUp.
- ▶ Inside type: pitchSolenoid.set(Value.kForward);
  - ▶ This sets the value of the solenoid to forward (deployed)
  - ▶ **Note:** if you wanted multiple solenoids to deploy at the same time also have them do .set(Value.kForward);
- ▶ Do the same for the shiftLow method but change kFoward to kReverse.
- ▶ Now its time to make our commands to run these methods.

```
public void pitchUp() {  
    pitchSolenoid.set(Value.kForward);  
}  
public void pitchDown() {  
    pitchSolenoid.set(Value.kReverse);  
}
```

## CREATING THE COMMANDS TO DEPLOY AND RETRACT

- ▶ Now that we have created the methods we must create the commands to use them.
- ▶ In this case we will make two commands, `ShooterUp` and `ShooterDown`
- ▶ Since changing the state of a solenoid only requires us to send a signal once (not continuously) we can place our methods in the initialize portions of their respective commands.
- ▶ For that same reason, we never need to run execute so the command `isFinished` as soon as it starts (and runs initialize).
- ▶ So for these commands we will set `isFinished` to **true**.
- ▶ Don't forget to add `requires(Robot.shooter)` to the constructor!

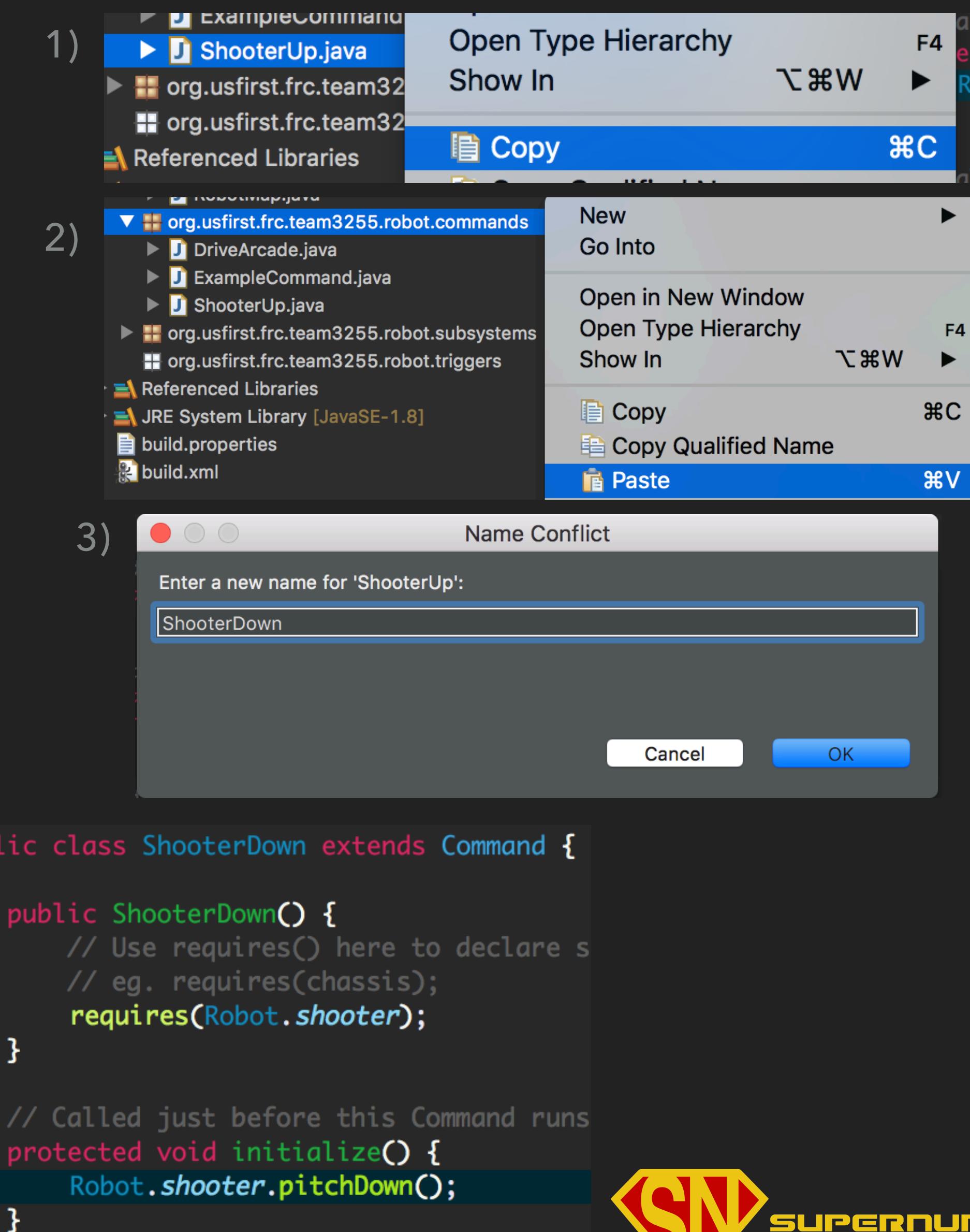
## YOUR COMMANDS SHOULD LOOK SOMETHING LIKE THIS...

```
public class ShooterUp extends Command {  
  
    public ShooterUp() {  
        // Use requires() here to declare  
        // eg. requires(chassis);  
        requires(Robot.shooter);  
    }  
  
    // Called just before this Command runs  
    protected void initialize() {  
        Robot.shooter.pitchUp();  
    }  
  
    // Called repeatedly when this Command is  
    protected void execute() {  
    }  
  
    // Make this return true when this Command  
    // has finished.  
    protected boolean isFinished() {  
        return true;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class ShooterDown extends Command {  
  
    public ShooterDown() {  
        // Use requires() here to declare s  
        // eg. requires(chassis);  
        requires(Robot.shooter);  
    }  
  
    // Called just before this Command runs  
    protected void initialize() {  
        Robot.shooter.pitchDown();  
    }  
  
    // Called repeatedly when this Command is  
    protected void execute() {  
    }  
  
    // Make this return true when this Command  
    // has finished.  
    protected boolean isFinished() {  
        return true;  
    }  
}
```

## TIP: COPYING FILES

- ▶ Since the commands we just made were near identical we could have just written one, copied it, and modified only the part we need to. To duplicate a file:
  - ▶ Select the file (in this case ShooterUp) and Run the copy command:
    - ▶ Right click -> Copy, **OR** from the menubar Edit -> Copy, **OR** use the keyboard shortcut Control C (Command C on Mac)
    - ▶ Then paste the file (have the correct package selected, in this case commands)
      - ▶ Right click -> Paste, **OR** from the menubar Edit -> Paste, **OR** use the keyboard shortcut Control V (Command V on Mac)
    - ▶ Then name the new file (in this case we will name it ShooterDown).
    - ▶ Now we will change the parts that should differ (in this case change `Robot.shooter.pitchUp();` to `Robot.shooter.pitchDown();`).



## CREATING THE BUTTONS IN THE CODE

- ▶ Now that we have created our ShooterUp and ShooterDown commands we need a way to run them.
- ▶ Lets map them to buttons on our controller!
- ▶ Open OI.java
- ▶ Under our created joystick we will create Button variables and assign them to a button on our joystick
- ▶ Type: **Button D1 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 1);**
- ▶ This creates a new Button named D1 (D representing driverController and 1 representing the button number) and sets it as a JoystickButton on the controller 'driverController' and button value 1 (this can be found in the Driverstation software).
- ▶ Do this for the rest of the buttons on your controller.

```
public class OI {  
  
    public Joystick driverController = new Joystick(RobotMap.OI_DRIVER_CONTROLLER);  
  
    Button D1 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 1);  
    Button D2 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 2);  
    Button D3 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 3);  
    Button D4 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 4);  
    Button D5 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 5);  
    Button D6 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 6);  
    Button D7 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 7);  
    Button D8 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 8);  
    Button D9 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 9);  
    Button D10 = new JoystickButton(driverController, 10);
```

## MAPPING THE BUTTONS IN THE CODE

- ▶ Now that we have created the buttons in the code we can map certain commands to them.
- ▶ Create a constructor for OI
- ▶ In the constructor type: `D1.whenPressed(new ShooterUp());`
  - ▶ This means **when** the button D1 is **pressed** it runs the `ShooterUp` command and deploys our pneumatic piston.
  - ▶ Quick fix -> Import
  - ▶ There are other types of activations for buttons besides **whenPressed** like: **whenRelease**, **whileHeld**, etc. feel free to [read more about them here](#).

```
public OI(){  
    D1.whenPressed(new ShooterUp());  
}
```

- ▶ **TIP:** you can change your import at the top of the file from "import org.usfirst.frc.team.robot.commands.ShooterUp;" to "import org.usfirst.frc.team.robot.commands.\*;"
  - ▶ The asterisk makes it so all files in the .command package are imported. This way you only have to import once.
- ▶ **TIP:** You can read in detail what every method of the FIRST code does by reading the [Java Docs](#)



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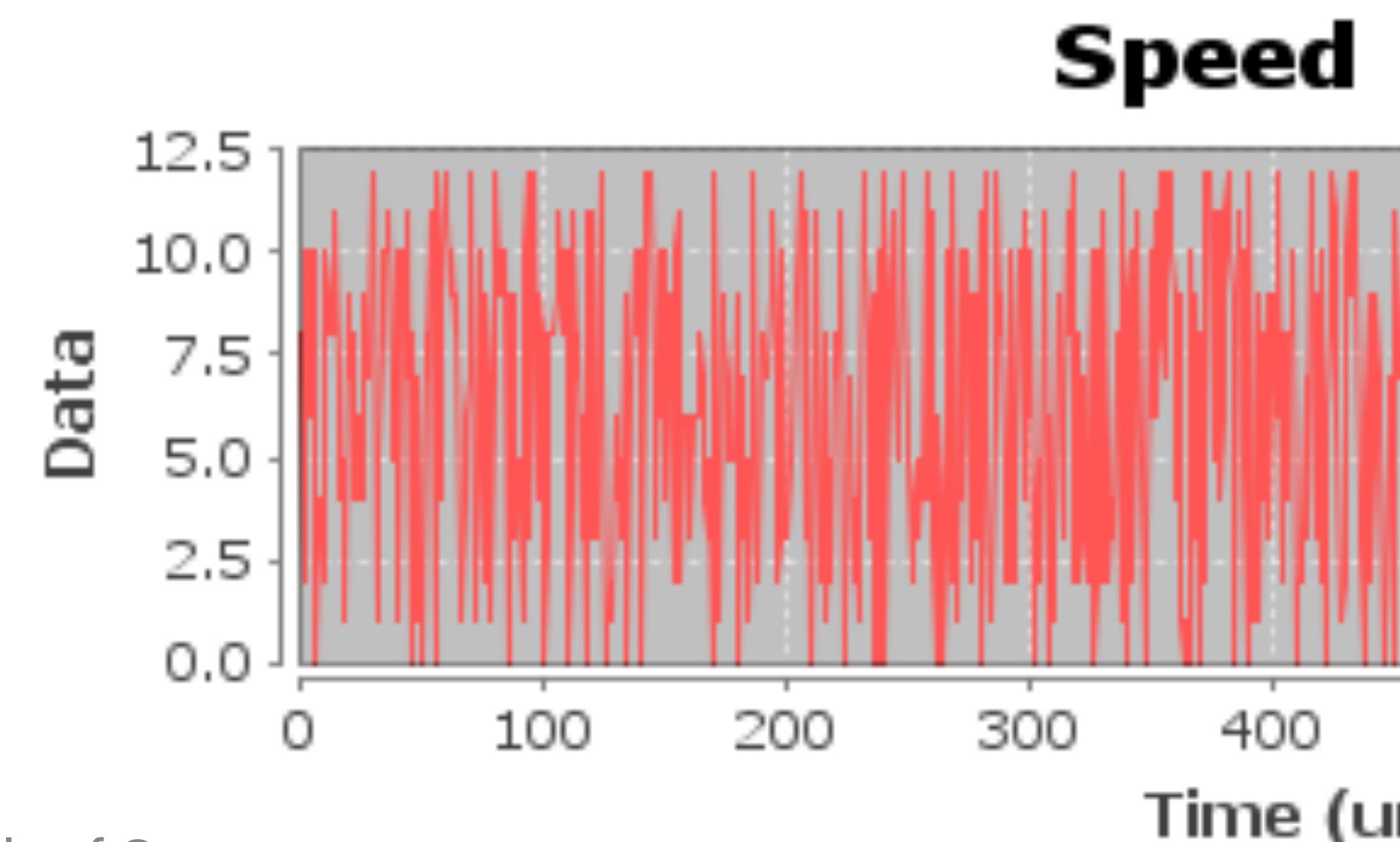
PART 3:  
GIVING FEEDBACK

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USING SENSORS  
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## PART 4:

# GETTING FEEDBACK

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# USING THE

# SMARTDASHBOARD

Key	Value	Type
maxMoveSpeed	0.7	Number
minMoveSpeed	0.2	Number
distanceP	0.5	Number
distanceI	0.24	Number
distanceD	1.2	Number

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# PART 5: SETTING SETTINGS

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# USING ROBOTPREFERENCES

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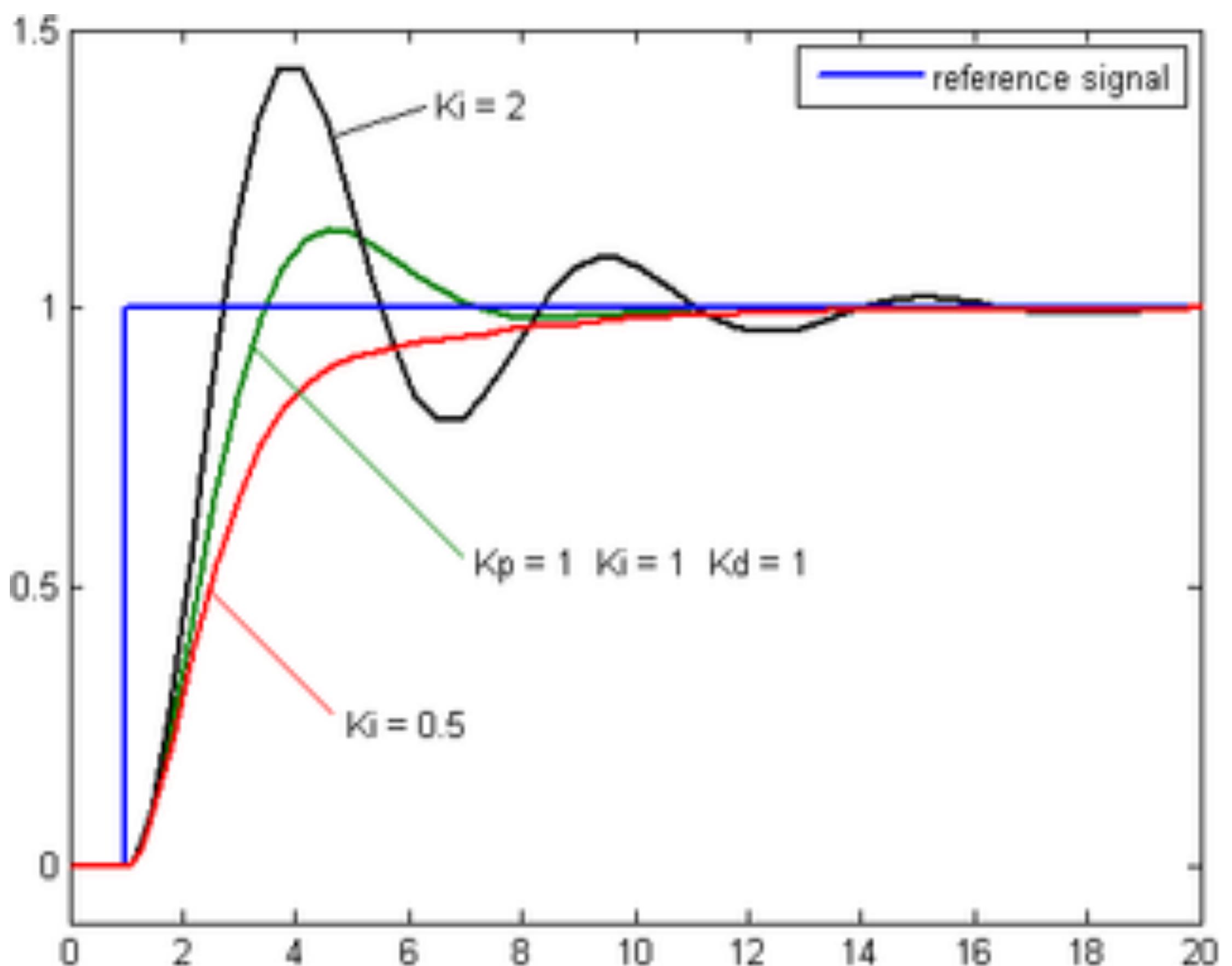
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## PART 6: AUTOMATICALLY MOVE!

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## CREATING AN AUTONOMOUS COMMAND



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PART 7:  
PROPORTIONAL INTEGRAL DERIVATIVE

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GETTING STARTED  
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