### SPIKE PRIME LESSONS

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# VIEWING SENSOR VALUES

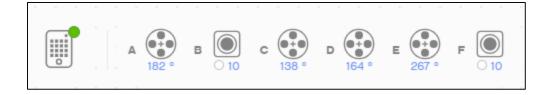
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# **LESSON OBJECTIVES**

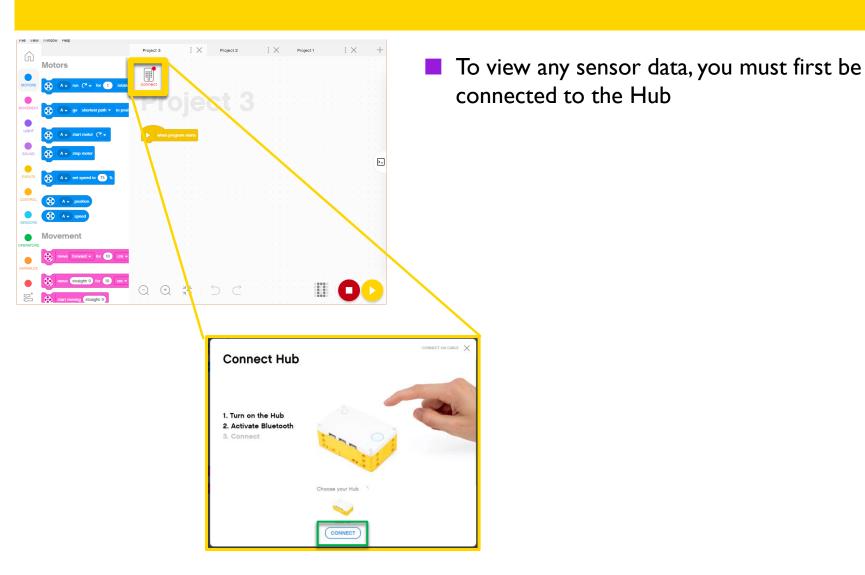
Learn how to view sensor values on SPIKE Prime



#### WHY DO YOU NEED SENSOR DATA?

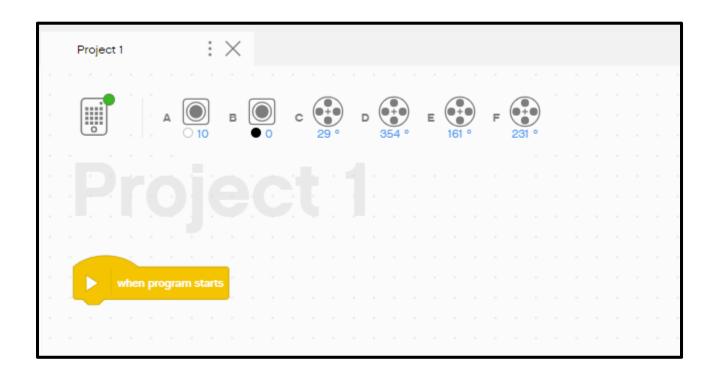
- Sensor data can be....
  - Used to help program more easily (no more guess and check!!)
  - Used to help program more accurately
  - Used to debug code as well as build issues
- SPIKE Prime has no screen, but you can still view sensor data using the Hub Dashboard

## YOU MUST BE CONNECTED TO HUB



## SENSOR VALUES ON PROJECT PAGE

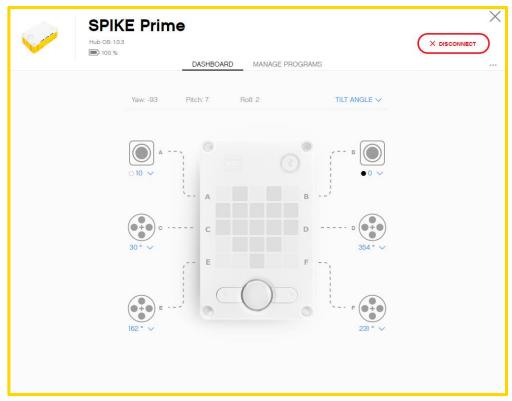
 Once connected to the Hub, Sensor and Motor Values are visible on the top of each Project page



### SENSOR VALUES ON DASHBOARD

Clicking on the SPIKE Prime Hub Icon takes you to the Hub Dashboard where you can see more sensor data

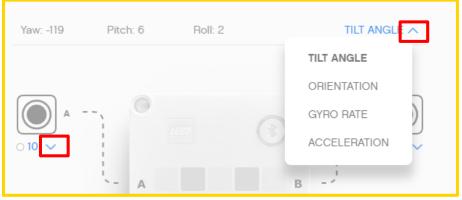




### MORE SENSOR DATA ON THE DASHBOARD

- From the Hub Dashboard, you can also see a lot of additional information about each sensor and motor you have connected to the hub
- Select the mode using the down arrow
- You can also see values for the built-in gyro sensor

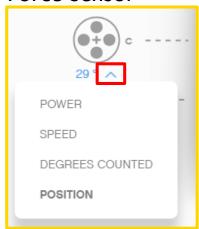




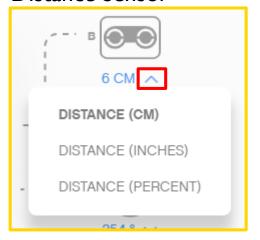
Color Sensor



Force Sensor



Distance Sensor



#### SENSOR DATA IS POWERFUL

- Sensor data can help you program better and also help you debug your code
- As you go through the rest of our lessons, you will use this feature often.
- As you complete each challenge, think about how knowing sensor data might help you.
- The next page has many several examples to think about.

### WHEN CAN SENSOR DATA CAN HELP?

- Reduce Guess-and-Check: I want my robot to turn a particular amount, but I am not sure how much to turn without guessing.
- Debug Code: The robot does not follow the green line like I programmed it to do. Why not? What color does the robot think that green line is?
- Check Builds: I built my robot with the Force sensor a little bit inside the robot. I am not sure that the Force sensor is getting pressed enough. How can I make sure the sensor is getting pressed?
- **Test Sensors:** I told my robot to stop when the Distance sensor is 20cm away. But it seems to stop earlier. Is the sensor working correctly? How can I see what the Distance sensor sees?

### **CREDITS**

- This lesson was created by Sanjay Seshan and Arvind Seshan for SPIKE Prime Lessons
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