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Aim

Create a Four wheeled robot and write a controller program for moving the robot in a path described by letter S pattern. Dimensions of path can be as per your choice.

Apparatus

Webot Software.

Theory

Definitions

- 1. <u>Compound Solids:</u> Compound Solids are complex 3D objects composed of multiple simpler shapes (e.g., boxes, spheres) combined into a single entity. They are used to create detailed and intricate structures or robots efficiently.
- 2. <u>Physics Attribute:</u> The "physics" attribute defines the physical properties of a 3D object, including mass, friction, and density, affecting how it interacts with forces and other objects in the simulation. This attribute is crucial for realistic simulations of movement and collisions.

Concepts

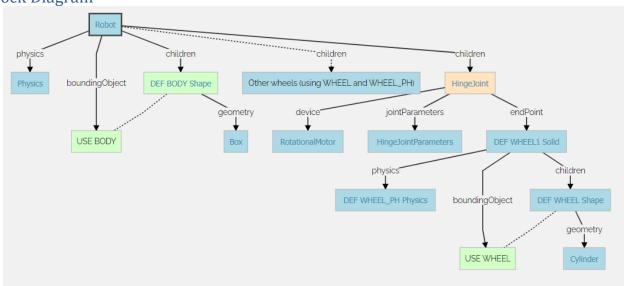
- 1. Compound Solids:
 - Compound solids can have a hierarchical structure where each shape (or sub-part) can be
 independently positioned, rotated, and scaled. Transformations of individual parts are relative
 to the parent object, allowing for detailed and flexible designs.
 - Application: Ideal for constructing robots or complex objects that require multiple components
 working together as a single entity, such as a robot with multiple limbs or a vehicle with
 various parts.
- 2. Physics Attribute:
 - <u>Mass</u>: Specifies the weight of an object. This affects how it responds to forces, gravity, and collisions. The mass is crucial for realistic simulation of dynamics and interactions.
 - <u>Friction</u>: Controls how much an object resists sliding across surfaces. Higher friction values mean more resistance, affecting how an object moves and stops. It impacts interactions with other objects and surfaces in the simulation.
 - <u>Bounciness (Restitution)</u>: Determines how much an object bounces back after a collision. A higher restitution value results in more bouncing, whereas a lower value means less bounce. This attribute influences the realism of collisions.



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Block Diagram



```
Code
#include <webots/motor.h>
#include <webots/robot.h>
#include <math.h>
#define TIME_STEP 64
#define WHEEL_RADIUS 0.03
#define WHEEL_DISTANCE 0.15
#define SPEED 5.0
void set_velocity(WbDeviceTag *wheels, double left_speed, double right_speed) {
 wb motor set velocity(wheels[0], left speed);
 wb_motor_set_velocity(wheels[1], right_speed);
 wb_motor_set_velocity(wheels[2], left_speed);
 wb_motor_set_velocity(wheels[3], right_speed);
void move_in_curve(WbDeviceTag *wheels, double radius, double speed, int duration_steps) {
 double left_speed, right_speed;
 if (radius > 0) {
  left_speed = speed * (radius - WHEEL_DISTANCE / 2) / radius;
  right_speed = speed;
 } else {
  left_speed = speed;
  right_speed = speed * (fabs(radius) - WHEEL_DISTANCE / 2) / fabs(radius);
 set_velocity(wheels, left_speed, right_speed);
 for (int i = 0; i < duration\_steps; i++) {
  wb_robot_step(TIME_STEP);
```



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```
set_velocity(wheels, speed, speed);
 for (int i = 0; i < duration\_steps; i++) {
  wb_robot_step(TIME_STEP);
 }
}
int main(int argc, char **argv) {
 wb_robot_init();
 WbDeviceTag wheels[4];
 char wheels_names[4][8] = {"wheel1", "wheel2", "wheel3", "wheel4"};
 for (int i = 0; i < 4; i++) {
  wheels[i] = wb_robot_get_device(wheels_names[i]);
  wb_motor_set_position(wheels[i], INFINITY);
  wb_motor_set_velocity(wheels[i], 0.0);
 // First curve to the left
 move_in_curve(wheels, 0.3, SPEED, 100);
 // First straight segment
 move_straight(wheels, SPEED, 50);
 // Second curve to the right
 move_in_curve(wheels, -0.3, SPEED, 100);
 // Second straight segment
 move straight(wheels, SPEED, 50);
 set_velocity(wheels, 0.0, 0.0);
 wb_robot_cleanup();
 return 0;
```

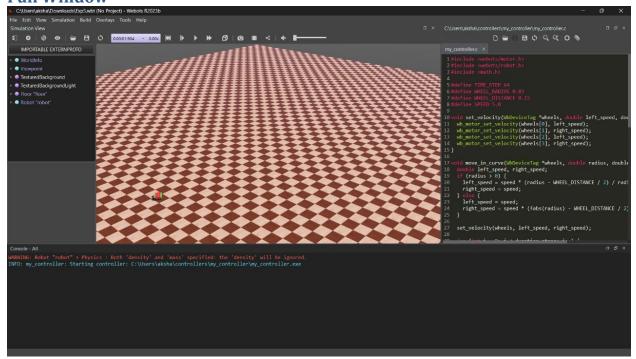


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Snapshots

Full Window

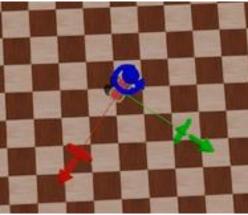




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Screen tree expanded

- Viewpoint
- TexturedBackground
- TexturedBackgroundLight
- Robot "robot"
 - translation 3.39 0.0658 0.0399
 - rotation 8.84e-05 -2.99e-05 1 0.952
 - - DEF DS_LEFT DistanceSensor
 - DEF DS RIGHT DistanceSensor
 - DEF wheel3 HingeJoint
 - DEF wheel3 HingeJoint
 - DEF WHEEL2 Hingeloint
 - DEF wheel† HingeJoint
 - DEF BODY Shape
 - name "robot"
 - · model "
 - description "
 - · contactMaterial "default"
 - immersionProperties
 - boundingObject USE BODY
- physics Physics
 - density 1e+03
 - mass T
 - centerOfMass
 - inertiaMatrix
 - damping NULL
 - locked FALSE
 - translationStep 0.01
 - rotationStep 0.262
 - adarCrossSection 0

.wbt file text

#VRML_SIM R2023b utf8

EXTERNPROTO

"https://raw.githubusercontent.com/cyberbotics/webots/R2023b/projects/objects/backgrounds/protos/TexturedB ackground.proto"

EXTERNPROTO

"https://raw.githubusercontent.com/cyberbotics/webots/R2023b/projects/objects/backgrounds/protos/TexturedB ackgroundLight.proto"

IMPORTABLE EXTERNPROTO

"https://raw.githubusercontent.com/cyberbotics/webots/R2023b/projects/objects/floors/protos/Floor.proto"

```
WorldInfo {
basicTimeStep 16
Viewpoint {
orientation 0.2039394214808927 0.07850035542877248 -0.9758311362954121 2.422955999005014
position 7.201754588050023 6.443783992372531 4.2710864401683075
TexturedBackground {
```



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```
TexturedBackgroundLight {
Floor {
 size 20 20
Robot {
 translation 3.145779062530971 -0.15380445838964368 0.039861748318522676
 rotation -6.318126273669078e-05 3.2305505546762035e-05 0.999999974822411 0.5103846873684099
 children [
  DEF DS_LEFT DistanceSensor {
   translation 0.1 0.03 0
   rotation 0 0 1 0.3
   children [
    Shape {
      appearance PBRAppearance {
       baseColor 0.184314 0.596078 0.847059
       roughness 1
       metalness 0
      geometry Box {
       size 0.01 0.01 0.01
   name "ds_left"
  DEF DS_RIGHT DistanceSensor {
   translation 0.1 -0.03 0
   rotation 0 0 1 -0.3
   children [
    Shape {
      appearance PBRAppearance {
       baseColor 0.184314 0.596078 0.847059
       roughness 1
       metalness 0
      geometry Box {
       size 0.01 0.01 0.01
   name "ds_right"
  DEF wheel3 HingeJoint {
   jointParameters HingeJointParameters {
    position 216.78436461470744
    axis 0 1 0
    anchor -0.05 0.06 0
   device [
    RotationalMotor {
      name "wheel4"
```



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```
1
 endPoint Solid {
  rotation -0.005116485626049331 0.7070962269966853 -0.7070988243109239 3.1518254979621867
  children [
   DEF WHEEL Shape {
    appearance PBRAppearance {
     baseColor 0.305882 0.898039 0.25098
     roughness 1
     metalness 0
    geometry Cylinder {
     height 0.02
     radius 0.04
     subdivision 24
   }
  name "solid(2)"
  boundingObject USE WHEEL
  physics Physics {
  linearVelocity 0.1495653104913532 0.09580767446054654 -8.640038943760136e-08
  angular Velocity -2.0812135036806008 3.705550882181786 -0.15450166432670304
DEF wheel3 HingeJoint {
jointParameters HingeJointParameters {
  position 374.49254454761564
  axis 0 1 0
  anchor -0.05 0.06 0
 device [
  RotationalMotor {
   name "wheel3"
  }
 endPoint Solid {
  translation -0.05 0.06 0
  rotation 0.2292414157428503 -0.6882749788910735 0.6882775070716072 2.6908986588306867
  children [
   DEF WHEEL Shape {
    appearance PBRAppearance {
     baseColor 0.305882 0.898039 0.25098
     roughness 1
     metalness 0
    geometry Cylinder {
     height 0.02
     radius 0.04
     subdivision 24
```



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```
name "solid(1)"
  boundingObject USE WHEEL
  physics Physics {
  linearVelocity 0.16555368314422597 0.10478775464808344 9.079943514990084e-08
  angular Velocity -2.4486652264616016 4.359367650758182 -0.15503885841759882
DEF WHEEL2 HingeJoint {
jointParameters HingeJointParameters {
  position 216.78435247107421
  axis 0 1 0
  anchor 0.05 -0.06 0
 device [
  RotationalMotor {
   name "wheel2"
 endPoint Solid {
  translation 0.05 -0.06 0
  rotation -0.005112192184552419 0.7070962425254029 -0.707098839836076 3.151816911339367
  children [
   DEF WHEEL Shape {
    appearance PBRAppearance {
     baseColor 0.305882 0.898039 0.25098
     roughness 1
     metalness 0
    geometry Cylinder {
     height 0.02
     radius 0.04
     subdivision 24
  name "wheel2"
  boundingObject DEF WHEEL Shape {
   appearance PBRAppearance {
    baseColor 0.305882 0.898039 0.25098
    roughness 1
    metalness 0
   geometry Cylinder {
    height 0.02
    radius 0.04
    subdivision 24
  physics Physics {
  linearVelocity 0.15704516524752424 0.08248317586020212 1.6375557285906726e-07
  angular Velocity -2.081213752172123 3.7055494805892972 -0.15449952080699775
```



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```
DEF wheel1 HingeJoint {
  jointParameters HingeJointParameters {
   position 374.49253405423354
   axis 0 1 0
   anchor 0.05 0.06 0
  device [
   RotationalMotor {
    name "wheel1"
  endPoint Solid {
   translation 0.05 0.06 0
   rotation 0.22923761476118534 -0.688275611873372 0.6882781400559935 2.6909058812279154
   children [
    DEF WHEEL Shape {
     appearance PBRAppearance {
      baseColor 0.305882 0.898039 0.25098
      roughness 1
      metalness 0
     geometry Cylinder {
      height 0.02
      radius 0.04
      subdivision 24
   boundingObject USE WHEEL
   physics Physics {
   linearVelocity 0.17303599283048796 0.09146201929852489 -1.6452438349863968e-07
   angularVelocity -2.4486643882810335 4.359366846554412 -0.1550379825570716
 DEF BODY Shape {
  appearance PBRAppearance {
   baseColor 0.917647 0.145098 0.145098
   roughness 1
   metalness 0
  geometry Box {
   size 0.2 0.1 0.05
boundingObject USE BODY
physics Physics {
 mass 1
controller "my_controller"
linearVelocity 0.1612994235730195 0.09363546781350215 1.2980489776736747e-07
angular Velocity~-3.7080873061557037e-06~9.044703152605652e-07~-0.15282492631922012\\
```



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Learning Outcomes

By designing and programming a four-wheeled robot to follow an S-shaped path, students will gain hands-on experience with robotics motion control, path planning, and sensor integration. This exercise enhances problem-solving skills and deepens understanding of concepts like kinematics, real-time control systems, and programming for autonomous navigation.