

ROS

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PUTTY

Installing Putty

```
$ sudo apt-get install putty  
$ sudo apt-get install grep
```

Hardware

- 2 USB to serial cable
- 1 cross serial cable. Rx → Tx, and Tx → Rx

checking the serial device

```
$ dmesg | grep tty
```

This command will display all serial devices. You will see an output something like this

serial device list

```
[    0.000000] console [tty0] enabled  
[ 138.375094] usb 2-1.5: FTDI USB Serial Device converter now  
attached to ttyUSB0
```

serial communication between two computers

- Install putty on two computers (your laptop and CRS computer)
- Connect serial to USB cable with both computers, and connect via cross serial cable.

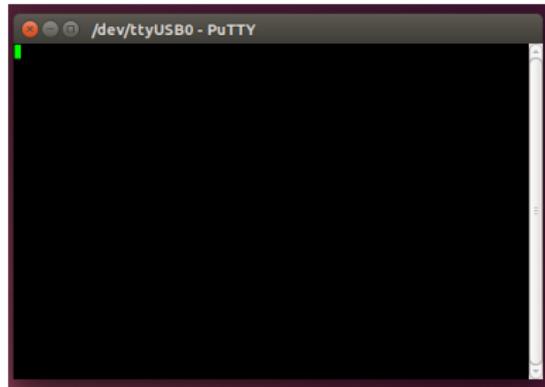
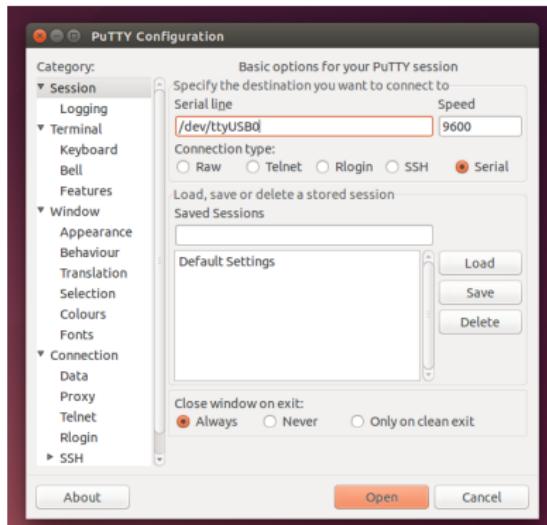
open putty

```
$ sudo putty
```

settings

- serial “serial” button
- select the serial line you got on your device. In my case it is “/dev/ttUSB0”.
- select some baud rate, in my case it is 9600.

This should open a new console, as shown in the figures



Open two serial consoles on both computers with matching baudrate setting.
By typing characters from one computers you should be able to receive
characters at the other computers.

ROS code for serial transmit

transmit.cpp

```
#include <ros/ros.h>
#include <cereal_port/CerealPort.h>
#include <iostream>

#define REPLY_SIZE 8
#define TIMEOUT 1000

// This example opens the serial port and sends a string at 1 Hz
for a reply.
int main(int argc, char** argv)
{

    ros::init(argc, argv, "example_node");
    ros::NodeHandle n;

    cereal::CerealPort device;
    char reply[REPLY_SIZE];
    char str1[] = "123.45";
    // Change the next line according to your port name and baud rate
    try{ device.open("/dev/ttyUSB0", 9600); }
```

ROS code for serial transmit

transmit.cpp

```
try{ device.open("/dev/ttyUSB0", 9600); }
catch(cereal::Exception& e)
{
    ROS_FATAL("Failed to open the serial port!!!!");
    ROS_BREAK();
}
ROS_INFO("The serial port is opened.");

ros::Rate r(1);
while(ros::ok())
{
    // writing a string over serial port
    device.write(str1);
    ROS_INFO ("Sending: %s", str1);

    ros::spinOnce();
    r.sleep();
}
}
```

ROS code for serial receive

receive.cpp

```
#include <ros/ros.h>
#include <cereal_port/CerealPort.h>
#include <iostream>

#define REPLY_SIZE 8
#define TIMEOUT 1000

// This example opens the serial port and receives a string
for a reply.
int main(int argc, char** argv)
{
    ros::init(argc, argv, "example_node");
    ros::NodeHandle n;

    cereal::CerealPort device;
    char reply[REPLY_SIZE];
    std::string str1 = "hello";

    // Change the next line according to your port name and baud rate
    try{ device.open("/dev/ttyUSB0", 9600); }
```

ROS code for serial receive

receive.cpp

```
try{ device.open("/dev/ttyUSB0", 9600); }
    catch(cereal::Exception& e)
{
    ROS_FATAL("Failed to open the serial port!!!!");
    ROS_BREAK();
}
ROS_INFO("The serial port is opened.");

ros::Rate r(1);
while(ros::ok())
{
    // Get the reply, the last value is the timeout in ms
    try{ device.read(reply, REPLY_SIZE, TIMEOUT); }
    catch(cereal::TimeoutException& e)
    {
        ROS_ERROR("Timeout!");
    }
    ROS_INFO("Got this reply: %s", reply);
    ros::spinOnce();
    r.sleep();
}
```

Serial Transmit and Receive

```
root@sakhtar:~/catkin_ws$ rosrun test_serial test_serial
[ INFO] [1458196987.699611020]: The serial port is opened.
[ INFO] [1458196987.699979428]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196988.700189726]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196988.700189726]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196988.700075994]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196990.700113687]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196991.700114847]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196992.700115680]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196993.700162917]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196994.700192054]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196995.700159759]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196996.700070536]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196997.700166114]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196998.700166057]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458196999.700157353]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197000.700065073]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197001.700055073]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197002.700051413]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197003.700076533]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197004.700115346]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197005.700066984]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197006.700134796]: Sending: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197007.700189997]: Sending: 123.45
```

Serial Transmit

```
root@sakhtar:~/catkin_ws$ rosrun test_serial test_serial
[ INFO] [1458197219.598619645]: The serial port is opened.
[ INFO] [1458197220.598358049]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197221.598289781]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197222.598256436]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197223.598288578]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197224.598253902]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197225.598327710]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197226.598304376]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197227.598332053]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197228.598321696]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197229.598253381]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197230.598295626]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197231.598288469]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197232.598288469]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197233.598288469]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197234.598323859]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197235.598323859]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197236.598290642]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197237.598255499]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197238.598291377]: Got this reply: 123.45
[ INFO] [1458197239.598362550]: Got this reply: 123.45
```

Serial Receive

It should be noted that to run the code we need to install cereal_port package!!

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Serial reception in Visual Basic

```
''' Called when data is received on the COM port
''' Reads and displays the data
''' See FindPorts for the AddHandler statement for this routine

Friend Sub DataReceived(ByVal sender As Object, ByVal e As
SerialDataReceivedEventArgs)
Dim newReceivedData As String
Try

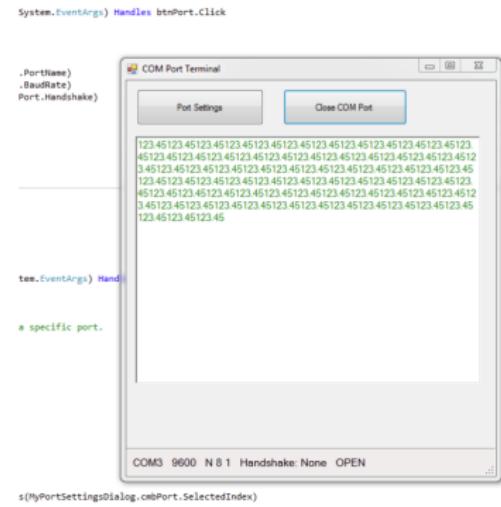
    ' Get data from the COM port.

    newReceivedData = selectedPort.ReadExisting

    ' Save the number of characters received.

    receivedDataLength += newReceivedData.Length
    RaiseEvent UserInterfaceData("AppendToMonitorTextBox",newReceivedData,
Color.Black)
    Catch ex As Exception
        DisplayException(ModuleName, ex)
    End Try
End Sub
```

Serial reception in Visual Basic



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OpenCV

- OpenCV is an open source computer vision library
- A large part of vision research is typically done in Matlab. As a result, there is a lot more code available through Matlab than OpenCV.
- However, we like OpenCV because it is easier to integrate vision into robotics through it instead of Matlab-based approaches.
- Additionally, a lot of OpenCV code has been written fairly efficiently

what is OpenCV

- <http://opencv.org>
- OpenCV (Open Source Computer Vision) is an open source implementation of a number of popular computer vision algorithms
 - ▶ RGB to Grey scale
 - ▶ Edge detection
 - ▶ Face detection
 - ▶ Feature detection and correspondence
- OpenCV has a lot of implementations of some really cool algorithms.
- Also some basic filters and image manipulation
 - ▶ Threshold
 - ▶ Image Derivatives (Sobel) and Edge Detection (Canny)
 - ▶ Dilate and Erode
 - ▶ Flood Fill

cv_bridge

- [http://www.ros.org/doc/api/cv_bridge/html/c++/index.html](http://www.ros.org/doc/api/cv_bridge/html/c%2B%2B/index.html)
- Converts between ROS Image message formats and OpenCV image formats
- ROS → OpenCV
 - ▶ toCvCopy()
 - ▶ toCvShare()
- OpenCV → ROS
 - ▶ toImageMsg()

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installing camera drivers

Installing guvcview

```
$ sudo apt-get install guvcview
```

installing camera-umd

```
$ sudo apt-get install ros-indigo-camera-umd
```

Once installed type in the terminal

serial device list

```
$ roscd uvc_Camera
```

if you are now in the “uvc_camera” directory, then the installation was successful

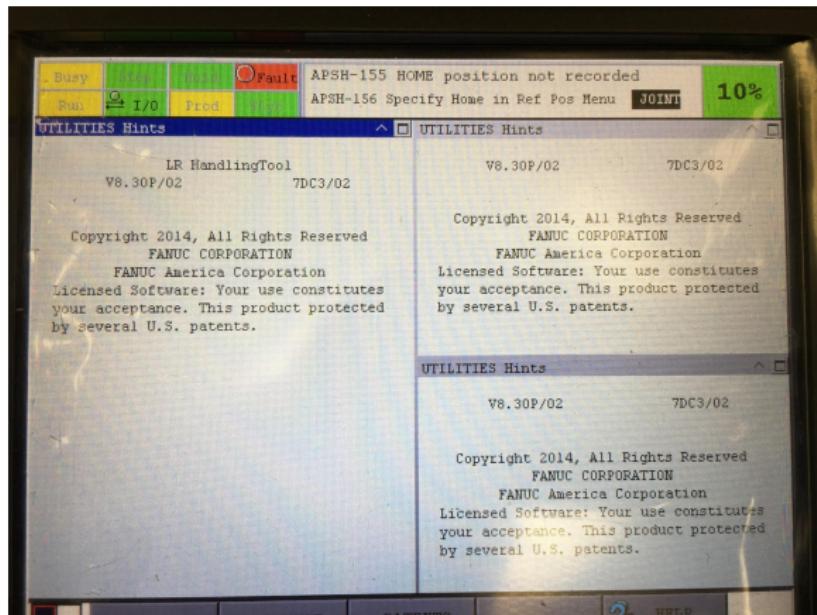
installing Ubuntu and ROS

- Install ubuntu 14.04. You can find tons of tutorials online
- Installing ROS INDIGO.
- Setting up ros environment and catkin workspace
- <http://www.ros.org>
- <https://a5akhtar@bitbucket.org/a5akhtar/me545-codes.git>

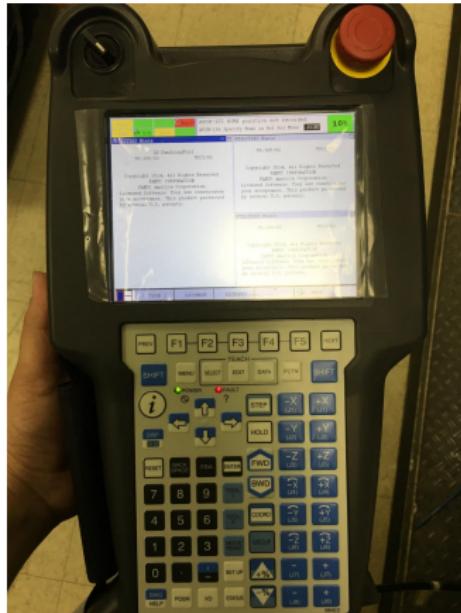
downloading the code

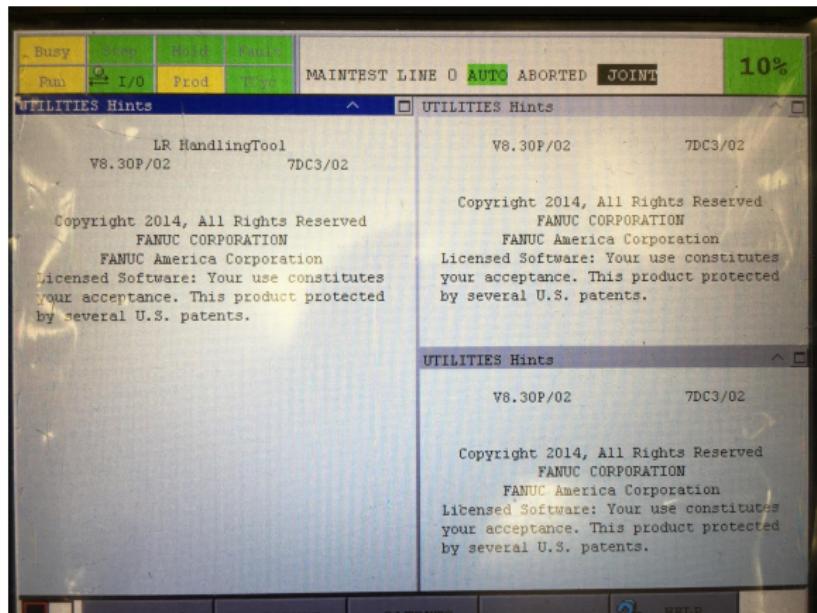
```
$ git clone https://a5akhtar@bitbucket.org/a5akhtar/me545-codes.git
```

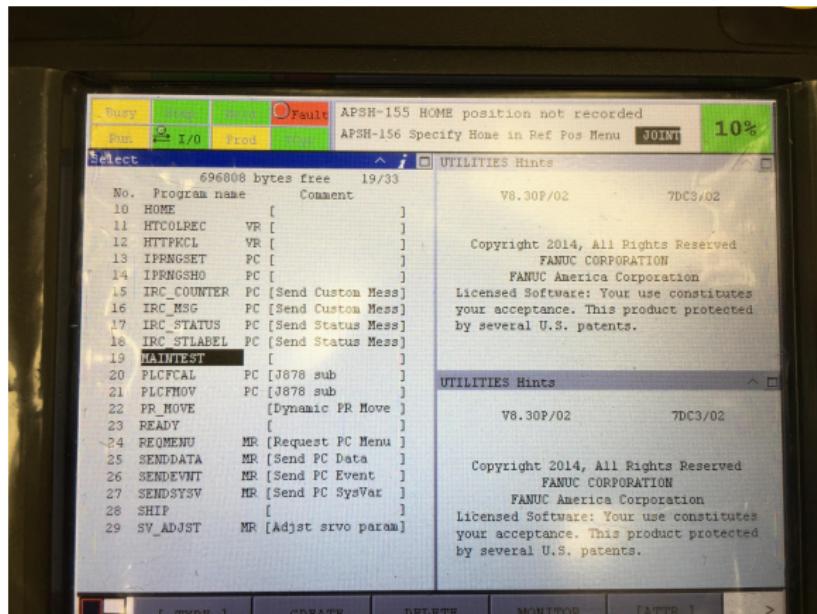
- checkout the code in your ros workspace and do catkin make.

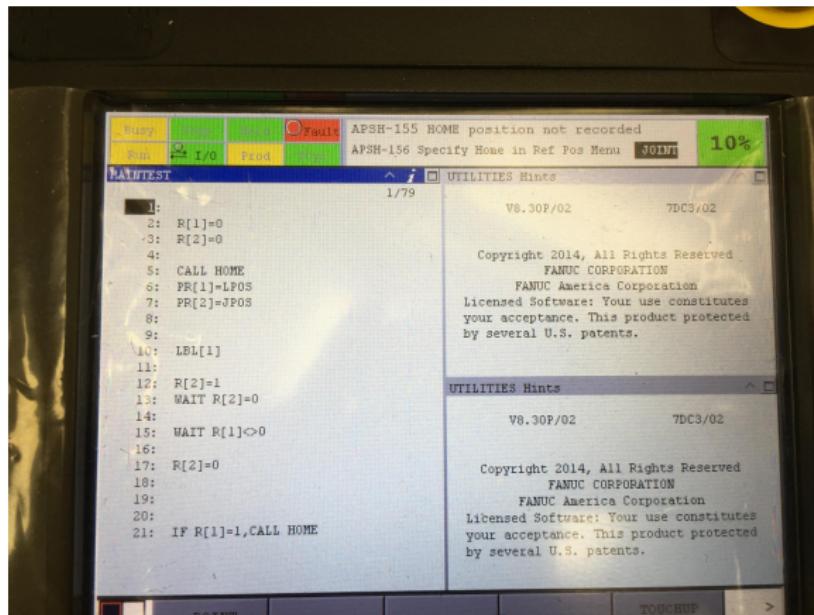


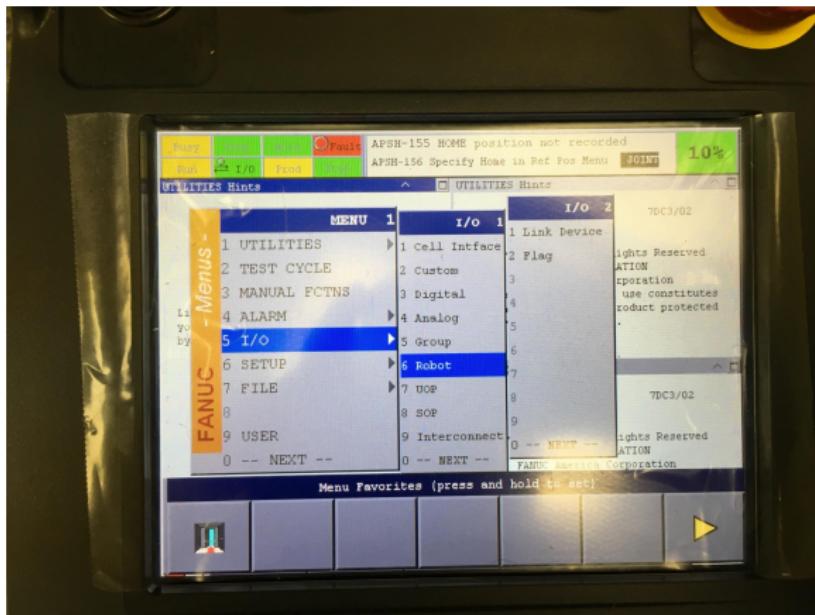


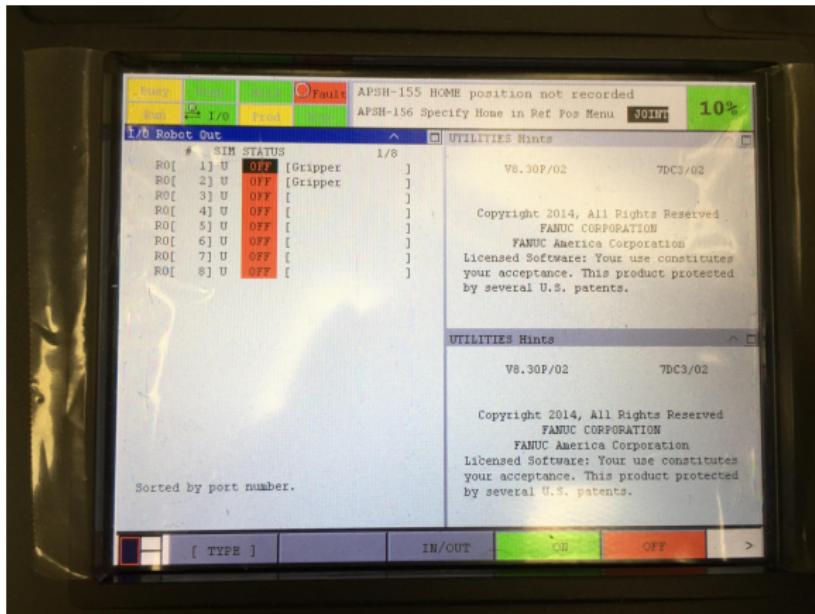


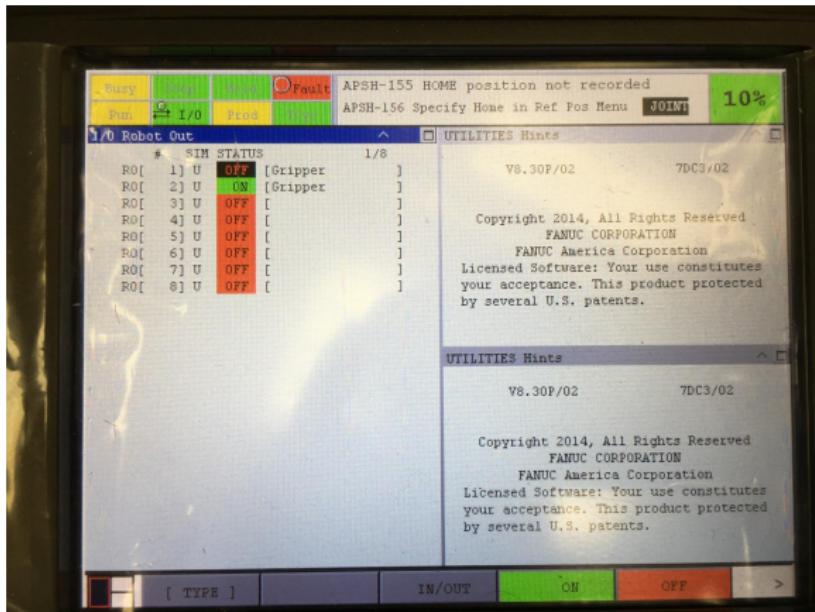












```
End If

'' MOVE TO LINEAR COORDINATES
If mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 1 Then

    Dim FKxyz(3) As Double
    FKxyz = forwKin(0, 65, -73, 73, -90)
    Console.WriteLine(FKxyz)
    '' x, y, z, W, P, R, speed (mm/sec)
    moveLin(FKxyz(1), FKxyz(2), FKxyz(3), -90, 0, -90, 100)

    mobjRobot.RegNumerics(1).Value.RegLong = 3
    mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 0
    While mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 0
        System.Threading.Thread.Sleep(200)
    End While
End If

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'' MOVE TO LINEAR COORDINATES
If mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 1 Then
```

```
End If
'%%%%%%%%%%%%%%%
`` MOVE TO JOINT COORDINATES
If mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 1 Then

    Dim IKxyz(3) As Double
    IKxyz = invKin(425, -100, -30 + 78, 0)

    `` theta1, theta2, theta3, theta4, theta5, speed (percent)
    moveJnt(IKxyz(1), IKxyz(2), IKxyz(3), IKxyz(4), IKxyz(5), 20)
    ``moveJnt(15, 30, 0, 0, 0, 20)

    mobjRobot.RegNumerics(1).Value.RegLong = 4
    mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 0
    While mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 0
        System.Threading.Thread.Sleep(200)
    End While
End If

`` MOVE TO JOINT COORDINATES
If mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 1 Then
```

```
        System.Threading.Thread.Sleep(200)
    End While
End If

' '%%%%%%%%%%%%%
' 'Open Gripper
If mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 1 Then
    mobjRobot.RegNumerics(1).Value.RegLong = 5
    mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 0
    While mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 0
        System.Threading.Thread.Sleep(200)
    End While
End If
' '%%%%%%%%%%%%%

' ' MOVE TO JOINT COORDINATES
```

```
        System.Threading.Thread.Sleep(200)
    End While
End If

'%%%%%
'Close Gripper
If mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 1 Then
    mobjRobot.RegNumerics(1).Value.RegLong = 6
    mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 0
    While mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 0
        System.Threading.Thread.Sleep(200)
    End While
End If
'%%%%%'

' MOVE TO JOINT COORDINATES
If mobjRobot.RegNumerics(2).Value.RegLong = 1 Then

    Dim IKxyz(3) As Double
    IKxyz = invKin(425, -100, -30 + 78, 0)
```

Questions

