

mBot with Arduino

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Get Started with the Arduino IDE

Time required: 60 minutes

The mBot is based on an open-source microcontroller board called an Arduino. We are going to learn Arduino C to make our mBot move about. Arduino C is based on the C++ programming language.

Install the Arduino IDE

An IDE is an Integrated Development Environment. mBlock is an IDE. An IDE contains everything necessary to create fully functional programs in whatever language you are writing in. The Arduino IDE is specifically designed for microcontroller boards like the mBot.

1. Go to <https://www.arduino.cc/en/Main/Software>
2. Download and install the **Arduino IDE: Windows Win 10 and newer**
3. Double Click the file downloaded file to start the installation.
4. Accept everything. Run the program.
5. Accept the firewall change.
6. You are ready to install the Makeblock Libraries.

Install the Makeblock Libraries

The Arduino IDE doesn't know anything about the mBot. We will download the code needed to communicate with the mBot. This code is in a library.

1. Go to <https://github.com/Makeblock-official/Makeblock-Libraries/archive/master.zip>
2. This link will start a download of a file named **Makeblock-Libraries-master.zip**
3. Go to the **Sketch** menu → **Include Libraries** → **Add .ZIP Library**
4. Browse to your Downloads folder → Select **Makeblock-Libraries-master.zip** → Click **Open**.
5. The library should install.
6. You are ready to program your mBot in Arduino C.

First Program: Blink LED's

Please read the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Requirements

1. Blink LED's on the robot in a continuous loop.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **Blinky**
2. Complete and test the program as shown.

```
1 /**
2   @file    LED.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   @date revised 06/07/2017   created: 12/10/16
6   @Description: Sample code for mBot onboard LED's
7 */
8 #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
9 MeRGBLed led(0, 30); // Create an LED object to control mBot LED's
10
11 // Initialization code, only runs once
12 void setup() {
13   led.setpin(13); // Set the pin to access the onboard LED's
14 }
15
16 void loop() { // Loop forever
17   led.setColor(60, 60, 60); // Set both LED to White
18   led.show(); // Use .show() to make new color take effect.
19   delay(500); // Delay in milliseconds,
20               // program pauses for LED's to display
21
22   led.setColorAt(0, 60, 0, 0); // Set LED0 (RGBLED1) (RightSide) to Red
23   led.setColorAt(1, 0, 0, 60); // Set LED1 (RGBLED2) (LeftSide) to Blue
24   led.show();
25   delay(500);
26
27   led.setColorAt(0, 0, 0, 60); // Set LED0 (RGBLED1) (RightSide) to Blue
28   led.setColorAt(1, 60, 0, 0); // Set LED1 (RGBLED2) (LeftSide) to Red
29   led.show();
30   delay(500);
31 }
```

Upload a Program to the mBot

This is how to compile and upload your program to the robot. An Arduino device can only run one program at a time.

1. Power on the robot.
2. Connect the robot through the USB cable.
3. Run the **Arduino IDE** software.
4. Under **Tools → Board → Arduino AVR Boards → Arduino Uno**.
5. Select **Tools → Port → COMx**, where x is the highest number shown.
6. Select **Sketch → Upload**. This compiles and uploads the program to your robot.

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

1. Add more LED blinks
2. Add different delay times.

Assignment Submission

- **All students** → Attach finished programs to the assignment in Blackboard.
- **In class assignment submission** → Demonstrate in person.
- **Online submission** → A link to a YouTube video recording showing the assignment placed in the submission area in BlackBoard.

Simple Buzzer

Time required: 30 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

delay, buzzer, setup, loop

Knowledge Points

Every Arduino sketch has functions. A function is a block of code. Functions help to keep our code organized and tidy.

The **setup()** and **loop()** functions are required for all Arduino sketches.

setup() This function initializes anything needed for the program. It only runs once. Control is turned over to the **loop()** function when it is finished.

loop() This function does exactly what it says it does. It loops repeatedly as fast as it can. This is the main part of the program.

Requirements

1. Create a sketch that uses the onboard buzzer to make some music.
2. The notes will keep playing until the mBot is turned off.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **SimpleBuzzer**.
2. Complete and test the program as shown.

```

1  /**
2   @file    SimpleBuzzer.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   @Revised: 06/07/2017   Created: 12/10/2016
6   @Description: Sample code for mBot onboard buzzer
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h> // mBot library
9  MeBuzzer buzzer;     // Setup buzzer object
10
11 void setup() {
12   // Even though we don't use it in this program,
13   // we have to include the setup function
14 }
15
16 void loop() {
17   buzzer.tone(600, 1000); // Buzzer sounds 600Hz for 1000ms
18   delay(2000);           // Pause for 2000ms
19   buzzer.tone(1200, 1000); // Buzzer sounds 1200Hz for 1000ms
20   delay(2000);           // Pause for 2000ms
21 }

```

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

1. Add more buzzer notes
2. Add different delay times.

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Simple Movement

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

delay, setup, loop, if statement

Knowledge Points

This program shows how to control the motors. The program doesn't execute until the remote button up is pressed.

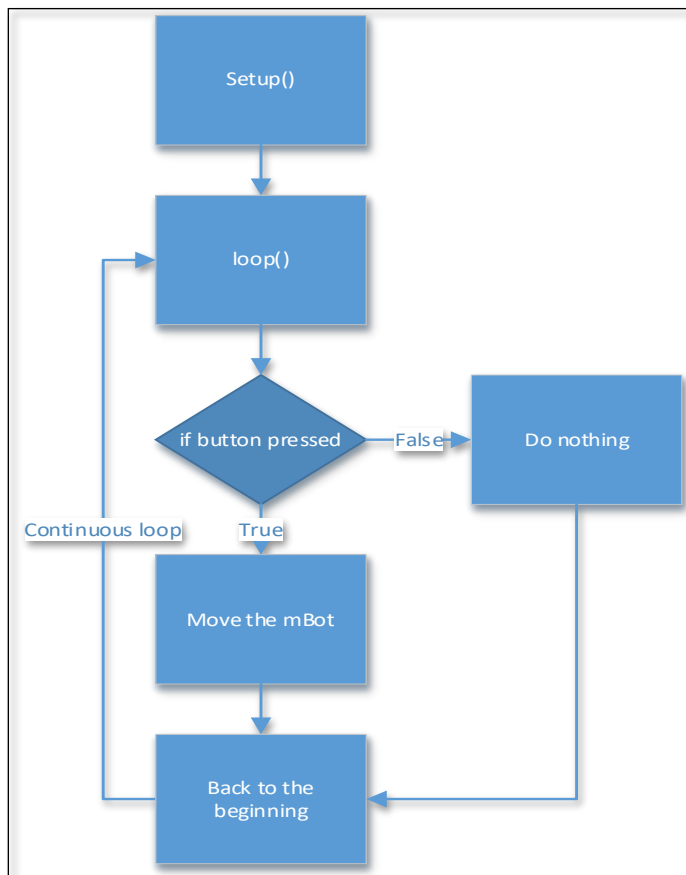
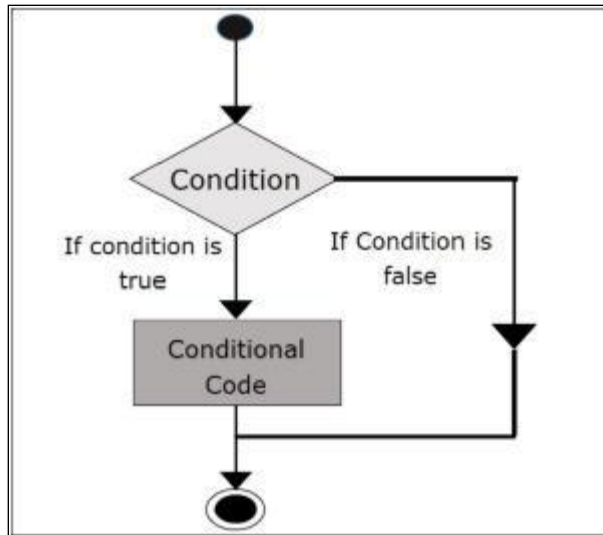
An **if** statement is a control structure. The **if** statement checks for a condition and executes the following statement or set of statements if the condition is 'true'.

The `==` is the equal to comparison operator. Equal to (`==`) returns true if the value on the left is equal to the value on the right, otherwise it returns false. This is also called a Boolean condition.

Syntax

```
if (condition == true) {  
    // do stuff if the condition is true  
}
```

This program uses an **if** control structure as shown in the diagrams.



Requirements

Complete and successfully run the program as shown.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Create a new sketch called **SimpleMovement**.
2. Complete and test the program as shown.

```
1 /**
2  @file    SimpleMovement.ino
3  @author  William A Loring
4  @version V1.0.1
5  @date    revised 02/05/2020   created: 12/10/2016
6  @Description: Sample code for mBot movement
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
9  MeIR ir;             // Setup IR Remote object
10
11 // Create motor control objects
12 MeDCMotor MotorL(M1); // MotorL is Left Motor
13 MeDCMotor MotorR(M2); // MotorR is Right Motor
14
15 void setup() {
16   ir.begin(); // Begin listening for the ir remote
17 }
18
19 // Loop until the up remote button is pressed
20 void loop() {
21   // If the up remote button is pressed, the mBot moves!
22   if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
23     // motor.run() speed range is 255 to -255, 0 is stop, 127 is 50%
24     // Move forward with 50% motor speed
25     MotorL.run(-127); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
26     MotorR.run(127);  // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
27     delay(1000);      // Delay in milliseconds, motor keeps running
28
29     // Move backward with 127 actual motor speed, which is 50%
30     MotorL.run(127);  // MotorL (Left) backward is +positive
31     MotorR.run(-127); // MotorR (Right) backward is -negative
32     delay(1000);
33
34     MotorL.stop();    // Stop MotorL
35     MotorR.stop();    // Stop MotorR
36   }
37 }
```

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

1. Add different movements to the program.

Assignment Submission

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Random Numbers

Time required: 30 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

random numbers, serial monitor

Requirements

Complete and successfully run the program as displayed.

Tutorial Assignment

We are going to generate some random numbers. This can be used to send the robot in random directions for random times or random LED light values. This sketch also shows how to use the Serial Monitor for debugging purposes.

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **RandomNumbers**.
2. Complete and test the program as pictured with the requirements listed.
3. While running the sketch, go to **Tools → Serial Monitor** to display the random numbers. Please include this in your video.
4. Comment your code.

```

1 // File    RandomNumbers.ino
2 // Author  William A Loring
3 // Version V1.0.0
4 // Date revised 02/20/18   created: 12/17/16
5 // Description: Display pseudo - random numbers to the Serial Port
6 // Analog input pin 0 is unconnected, random analog
7 // noise will cause the call to randomSeed() to generate
8 // different seed numbers each time the sketch runs.
9 // randomSeed() will then shuffle the random function.
10
11 #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
12 int number;          // Variable to store random number
13
14 void setup() {
15     Serial.begin(9600); // Setup serial monitor
16     randomSeed(analogRead(A0)); // Seed random number from disconnected analog port
17 }
18
19 void loop() {
20     number = random(1, 7); // Generate random number inclusive between 1 & 6
21     Serial.println(number); // Print number to Serial Monitor
22     delay(500);
23 }

```

Assignment Submission

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Random LED's

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

random numbers, LED's, constants, variables

Knowledge Points

In mBlock we had variables. Variables in Arduino C are the same idea. A variable stores a value in a memory location, and can be changed.

An int variable type is a whole number.

```
int a = 9;
```

A constant is declared once and never changes.

```
// Constant to store upper range of random LED colors  
const int UPPER_RANDOM = 21;
```

Requirements

The onboard LED lights change randomly every second.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **RandomLED**.
2. Create and test the program as shown.

```

1  /**
2   @file    RandomLED.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   @date    revised 09/23/20   created: 12/09/17
6   @Description: Random LED colors
7  */
8  // ***** DON'T CHANGE THIS CODE ***** //
9  #include <MeMCore.h>           // Include mBot library
10 MeRGBLed led(0, 30);           // Setup the onboard LED object
11 // ***** DON'T CHANGE THIS CODE ***** //
12
13 const int UPPER_RANDOM = 20;   // Constant to store upper range of random LED colors
14 int red, green, blue;           // Variables to store random numbers for different colors
15
16 // Initialization code, only runs once
17 // ***** DON'T CHANGE THIS CODE ***** //
18 void setup() {
19     led.setpin(13);             // Set the pin to access the onboard LED's
20     randomSeed(analogRead(A0)); // Seed random number from disconnected analog port
21 }
22 // ***** DON'T CHANGE THIS CODE ***** //
23
24 void loop() { // Loop forever
25     red = random(0, UPPER_RANDOM); // Generate random number inclusive between 0 & 20
26     green = random(0, UPPER_RANDOM); // Generate random number inclusive between 0 & 20
27     blue = random(0, UPPER_RANDOM); // Generate random number inclusive between 0 & 20
28     led.setColor(red, green, blue); // Set both LED's to random colors
29     led.show();                    // Use .show() to make new color take effect.
30     delay(1000);                   // Delay in milliseconds
31 }

```

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

1. Add another set of random LED's (Copy lines 25-30)
2. Choose a random value for one or two colors, set the others to a static value.
3. Change the range of random numbers.

Assignment Submission

- **All students** → Attach finished programs to the assignment in Blackboard.

- **In class assignment submission** → Demonstrate in person.
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Function Junction

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

light sensor, serial monitor

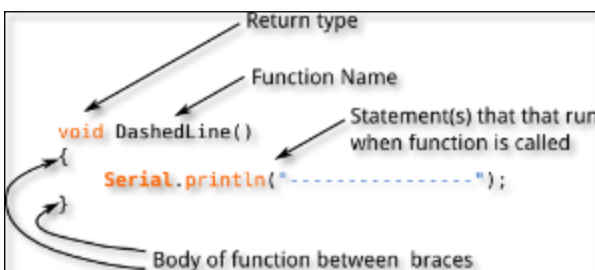
Knowledge Points

As our code gets longer and more complex, it can get difficult to follow. Functions allow for reusable and modular code. A function is a code block. It wraps up everything needed to provide a service to the program. You can easily reuse the code in another sketch or the same sketch.

We have used pre written functions, such as **led.setColorAt();** and **delay(500);**. We will start writing our own.

Please go to the following web site to learn more about functions.

<https://startingelectronics.org/software/arduino/learn-to-program-course/15-functions/>



Sample function

```
18 // Loop forever function
19 void loop() {
20     // Call function
21     simpleFunction();
22 }
23
24 void simpleFunction() {
25     // Put the code here
26 }
```

Requirements

Break our code into smaller chunks by dividing our code into functions.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **FunctionJunction**.
2. Complete and test the program as shown.

```

1  /**
2   @file    FunctionJunction.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   @date revised 02/20/2018  created: 12/16/16
6   @Description: Access the mBot onboard LED's with functions
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h>          // Include mBot library
9  // Initialize global variables
10 MeRGBLed led(0, 30);          // Create LED object
11 const int BLINK_DELAY = 500; // Initialize a constant for the delay time
12
13 // Initialization code, only runs once
14 void setup() {
15     // Set the physical pin to access the onboard LED's
16     led.setpin(13);
17 }
18
19 // Loop forever
20 void loop() {
21     // Call function
22     blinkLed();
23     // Call new function here
24 }
25
26 //-----
27 // Function to blink on board LED's
28 //-----
29 void blinkLed() {
30     led.setColorAt(0, 60, 0, 0); // Set LED0 (RightSide) to Red
31     led.setColorAt(1, 0, 0, 60); // Set LED1 (LeftSide) to Blue
32     led.show();                  // Show the specified color
33     delay(BLINK_DELAY);
34
35     led.setColorAt(0, 0, 0, 60); // Set LED0 (RightSide) to Blue
36     led.setColorAt(1, 60, 0, 0); // Set LED1 (LeftSide) to Red
37     led.show();                  // Show the specified color
38     delay(BLINK_DELAY);
39 }
40
41 // Create new function here

```

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

- Create a new function that does something with LED's and/or sound.
- Call the new function.

Assignment Submission

- **All students** → Attach finished programs to the assignment in Blackboard.
- **In class assignment submission** → Demonstrate in person.
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Twinkle Twinkle

Time required: 90 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

libraries, functions

Libraries

A library file is a collection of code that you can use from an Arduino sketch. It allows you to easily reuse code. The library file **notes.h** is placed in the sketch folder. **notes.h** makes it much easier to play notes.

Requirements

Play Twinkle Twinkle, Little Star using a library file.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **TwinkleTwinkle**.
2. Copy the **notes.h** file attached to the assignment into the **TwinkleTwinkle** sketch folder.
3. Complete and test the program as shown.

```

1  /**
2   @file    TwinkleTwinkle.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   Revised: 06/07/2017 Created: 12/10/2016
6   @Description: Use notes.h to play Twinkle Twinkle Little Star
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h> // mBot library
9  #include "notes.h"   // Library file for playing notes
10 // Individual "notes" have been #defined in the notes.h tab to make
11 // playing sounds easier. noteC4, for example, is defined as 262, the
12 // frequency for middle C. See the tab above^
13 MeBuzzer buzzer;     // Setup buzzer object
14
15 void setup() {
16   pinMode(7, INPUT); //Define button pin as input
17 }
18
19 void loop() {
20   // Wait until onboard button is pressed
21   while (analogRead(7) < 100) { // Loop While Button is not pressed
22     playTwinkleTwinkle();      // Call function
23   }
24 }
25
26 void playTwinkleTwinkle(){
27   playNote(noteC4, QN); // Call playNote function with two parameters, note and duration
28   playNote(noteC4, QN);
29   playNote(noteG4, QN);
30   playNote(noteG4, QN);
31   playNote(noteA4, QN);
32   playNote(noteA4, QN);
33   playNote(noteG4, QN);
34   delay(250);           // Quarter rest
35   playNote(noteF4, QN);
36   playNote(noteF4, QN);
37   playNote(noteE4, QN);
38   playNote(noteE4, QN);
39   playNote(noteD4, QN);
40   playNote(noteD4, QN);
41   playNote(noteC4, HN);
42 }
43
44 // This custom function takes two parameters, note and duration to make playing songs easier.
45 // Each of the notes have been #defined in the notes.h file. The notes are broken down by
46 // octave and sharp (s) / flat (b).
47 void playNote(int note, int duration){
48   buzzer.tone(note, duration);
49 }

```

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

1. Add a new function call and function name to match the song you chose.
2. Play a small part of a song of your choosing or make up your own song. There is plenty of sheet music available on the web with notes and names of notes to help you figure out a different song.

Here is a web site to get you started with a known song. <https://noobnotes.net>

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Simple Remote Control

Time required: 60 minutes

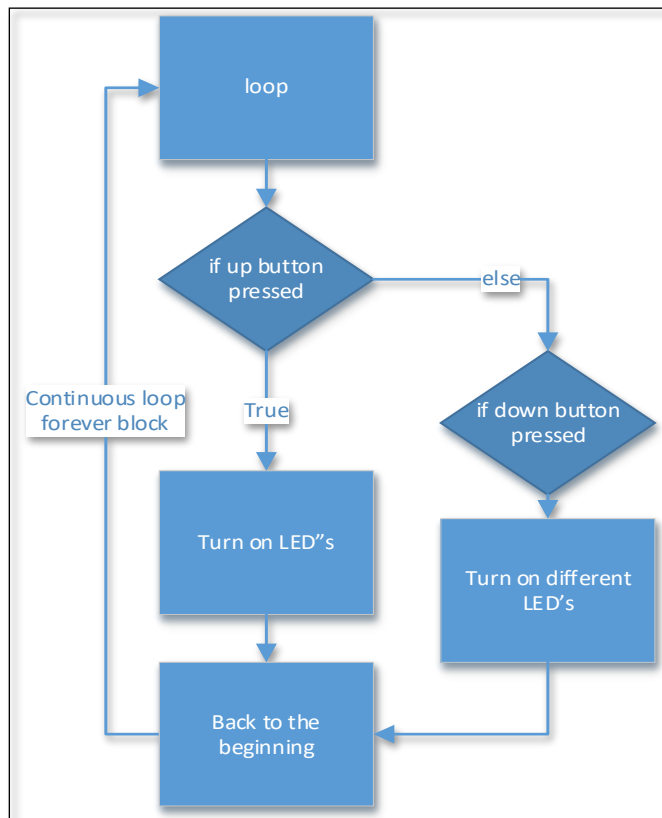
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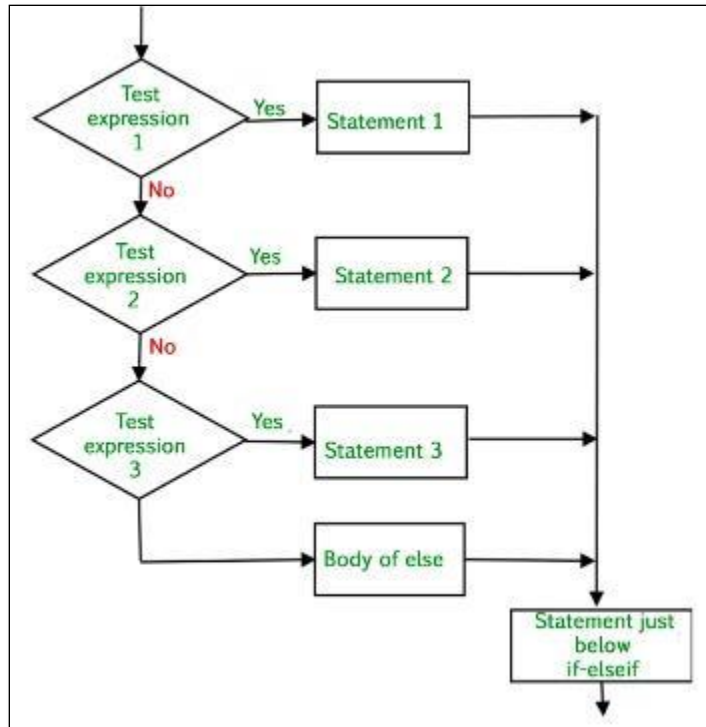
- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Knowledge Points

If Then Else

If then else extends our decision making. If then else is mutually exclusive. This means that only one of the choices or conditions can be true. You can stack multiple if else statements together.





Debouncing

When you press a button on the remote, it is impossible to press it once. It makes contact several times, bouncing off the contact. It may make contact on one side, then the other, then it settles down. The Arduino scans for each ir code so fast that it can mistake one code for another. Debouncing is putting a tiny delay in between scanning for the ir codes to ensure smooth operation.

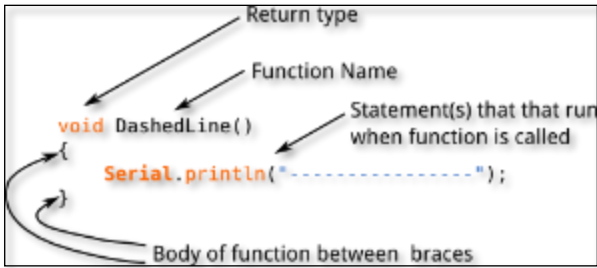
Functions

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Sample function

```

18 // Loop forever function
19 void loop() {
20   // Call function
21   simpleFunction();
22 }
23
24 void simpleFunction() {
25   // Put the code here
26 }

```

Requirements

The robot will move in the direction of the arrow keys on the remote, then stop when the keys are released.

IR Remote Constants for mBot

The following table is a reference for the constants for reading the IR remote.

IR_BUTTON_A	IR_BUTTON_SETTING	IR_BUTTON_0
IR_BUTTON_B	IR_BUTTON_LEFT	IR_BUTTON_1
IR_BUTTON_C	IR_BUTTON_RIGHT	IR_BUTTON_2
IR_BUTTON_D	IR_BUTTON_UP	IR_BUTTON_3
IR_BUTTON_E	IR_BUTTON_DOWN	IR_BUTTON_4
IR_BUTTON_F		IR_BUTTON_5
		IR_BUTTON_6
		IR_BUTTON_7
		IR_BUTTON_8
		IR_BUTTON_9

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **SimpleRemoteControl**.
2. Include **notes.h** in the **SimpleRemoteControl** folder.
3. Complete and test the program as pictured with the requirements listed.

```
1  /*-----
2   File      SimpleRemoteControl.ino
3   Author    William A Loring
4   Version   V1.0.0
5   Date revised: 02/05/20 created: 12/9/17
6   Description: Simple remote control program
7   -----
8   #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
9   #include "notes.h"    // Include notes.h to easily play notes
10  MeIR ir;              // Create ir remote object
11  MeBuzzer buzzer;      // Setup buzzer object
12  MeRGBLed led(0, 30);  // Setup the onboard LED object
13  MeDCMotor MotorL(M1); // MotorL object is Left Motor
14  MeDCMotor MotorR(M2); // MotorR object is Right Motor
15  const int MOTOR_POWER = 127; // Base power setting of 50%
16  const int DEBOUNCE = 20;    // Debounce delay for smooth IR Operation
17
18  void setup() { // Setup function runs once
19    ir.begin(); // Start listening to the remote
20    led.setpin(13); // Set pin for led access
21    initialize(); // Call startup function, mBot announces it is ready!
22  }
23
24  void loop() { // Loop forever
25    remote();
26  }
```

```

28 □ /*-----
29   Move the mBot in the direction of the IR remote keys
30   -----*/
31 □ void remote() {
32   // Determine which remote button was pressed
33 □ if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
34     delay(DEBOUNCE);           // Delay or debounce for smooth IR operation
35     MotorL.run(-MOTOR_POWER);   // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
36     MotorR.run(+MOTOR_POWER);   // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
37   } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_DOWN)) {
38     delay(DEBOUNCE);           // Delay or debounce for smooth IR operation
39     MotorL.run(+MOTOR_POWER);   // MotorL (Left) reverse is +positive
40     MotorR.run(-MOTOR_POWER);   // MotorR (Right) reverse is -negative
41   } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_LEFT)) {
42     delay(DEBOUNCE);           // Delay or debounce for smooth IR operation
43     MotorL.run(+MOTOR_POWER);   // MotorL (Left) reverse is +positive
44     MotorR.run(+MOTOR_POWER);   // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
45   } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_RIGHT)) {
46     delay(DEBOUNCE);           // Delay or debounce for smooth IR operation
47     MotorL.run(-MOTOR_POWER);   // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
48     MotorR.run(-MOTOR_POWER);   // MotorR (Right) reverse is -negative
49   } else {
50     MotorL.stop(); // Stop MotorL
51     MotorR.stop(); // Stop MotorR
52   }
53 }

```

```

55 ▢ /*-----
56     Announce to the world that the mighty mBot is ready to go!
57     -----*/
58 ▢ void initialize() {
59     // Play initialization notes and lights to announce mBot is ready
60     delay(200);           // Debounce startup sound
61     led.setColor(40, 0, 0); // Set both LED to Red
62     led.show();           // Use .show() to make new color take effect.
63     playNote(noteC4, HN);
64     led.setColor(0, 40, 0); // Set both LED to Green
65     led.show();           // Use .show() to make new color take effect.
66     playNote(noteD4, HN);
67     led.setColor(0, 0, 40); // Set both LED to Blue
68     led.show();           // Use .show() to make new color take effect.
69     playNote(noteE4, HN);
70     led.setColor(0, 0, 0);  // Set both LED off
71     led.show();           // Use .show() to make new color take effect.
72 }
73
74 ▢ /*-----
75     This custom function takes two parameters, note and duration to make playing songs easier.
76     Each of the notes have been #defined in the notes.h file. The notes are broken down by
77     octave and sharp (s) / flat (b).
78     -----*/
79 ▢ void playNote(int note, int duration) {
80     buzzer.tone(note, duration);
81 }

```

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

- Use LED's to indicate direction and movement.

Assignment Submission

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Ambulance

Time required: 60 minutes

IDE: Arduino

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

random numbers, LED's, for loops

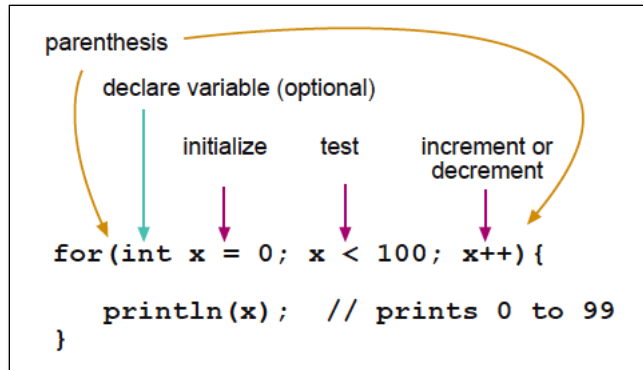
Knowledge Points

The **for** loop is used to repeat a block of statements enclosed in curly braces. This serves the same purpose as Repeat in mBlock.

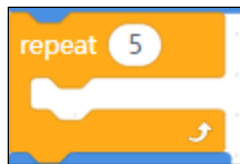
For Loop

A "for" loop in Arduino C is a control structure used for repeating a block of code a specific number of times. It consists of three parts: initialization, condition, and increment/decrement.

1. **Initialization:** You set an initial value for a variable (usually an integer) that acts as a counter. This is done at the beginning of the loop.
2. **Condition:** You define a condition (test) that is evaluated before each iteration of the loop. If the condition is true, the loop continues; if false, the loop exits.
3. **Increment/Decrement:** You specify how the counter variable is modified after each iteration. It can be incremented (increased) or decremented (decreased).



This is an example of a for loop which iterates 5 times. This is the same as mBlock's



```
//i = i + 1;
for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++){
    // Code to be repeated goes here
}
```

In this example:

1. **Initialization:** `int i = 0` initializes a variable `i` to 0.
2. **Condition:** `i < 5` checks if `i` is less than 5.
3. **Increment:** `i++` increments `i` by 1 after each iteration.

The loop runs as long as `i` is less than 5. It will execute the code within its block (the code between the curly braces `{}`) and increment `i` by 1 after each iteration, stopping when `i` is no longer less than 5.

The Buzzer

```
buzzer.tone(600, 1000); //Buzzer sounds 600Hz for 1000ms
```

Use Left and Right LED's

```
led.setColorAt(0, 40, 0, 0); // Set LED0 (RGBLED1) (RightSide) to Red
led.setColorAt(1, 0, 0, 0); // Set LED1 (RGBLED2) (LeftSide) to Blue
led.show();
```

Requirements

- The program will run when you press the remote button on the mBot.
- The program will play an ambulance siren and move forward.
- Comment your code.

Assignment

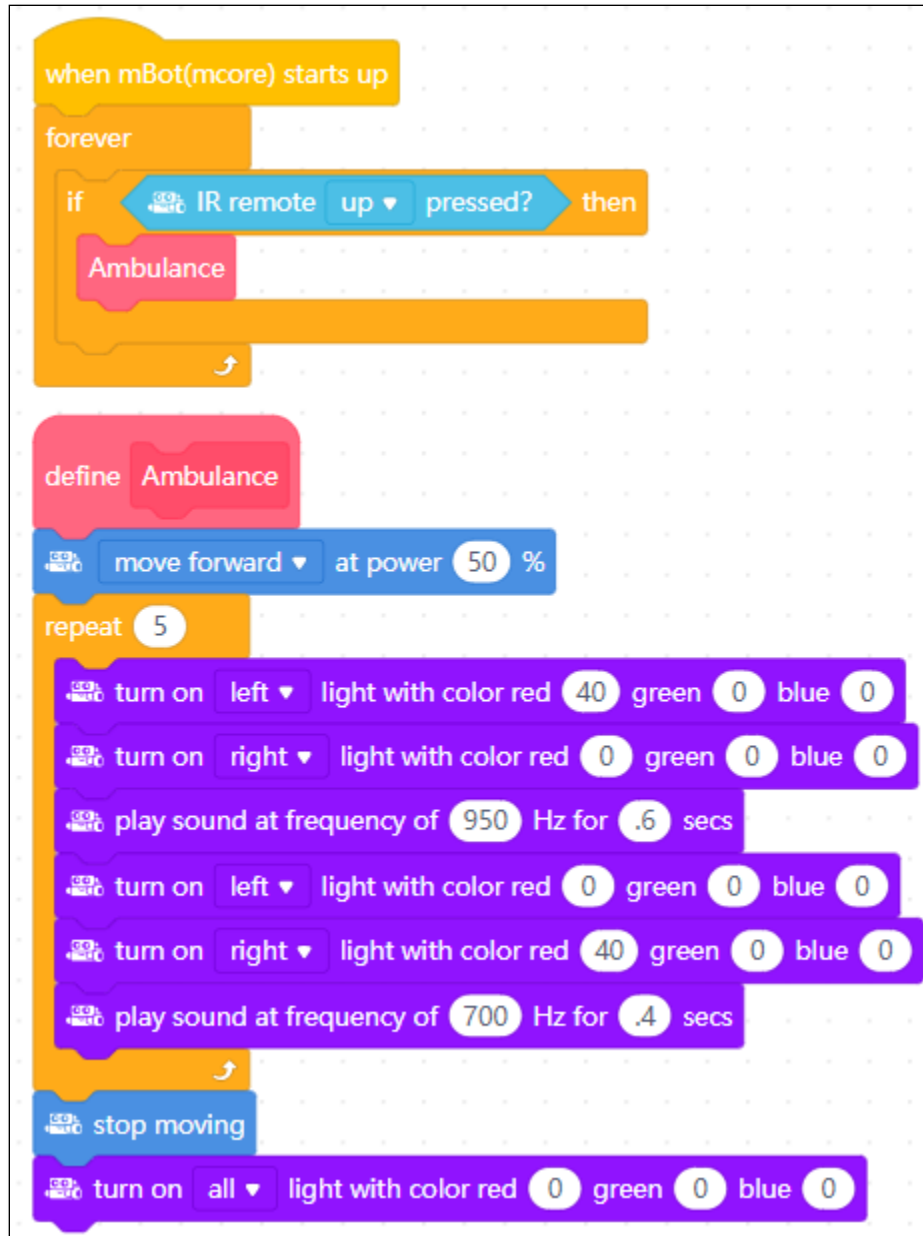
Use the pictured mBlock program as a model for this program. Convert the code concepts into the corresponding Arduino code. Notice how the blocks in mBlock are like the Arduino C code.

You may want to look at previous Arduino assignments.

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **Ambulance**.
2. You are to build the ambulance function.
3. Use a for loop to repeat the siren 5 times.

Program Starter Code

```
1  /**
2   @file    Ambulance.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version v1.0.0
5   @Revised 05/17/18   Created: 02/27/18
6   @Description: Play ambulance sounds and move forward
7  */
8  // ***** DON'T CHANGE CODE BELOW ***** //
9  #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
10 MeRGBLed led(0, 30); // Create an LED object to control mBot LED's
11 MeIR ir; // Setup IR remote object
12 MeBuzzer buzzer; // Setup buzzer object
13 // Create motor control objects
14 MeDCMotor MotorL(M1); // MotorL is Left Motor
15 MeDCMotor MotorR(M2); // MotorR is Right
16 uint32_t value; // Holds ir value
17
18 void setup() {
19     led.setpin(13);
20     // Start listening to the ir remote
21     ir.begin();
22 }
23 // ***** DON'T CHANGE CODE ABOVE ***** //
24
25 void loop() {
26     // Wait until forward remote button is pressed
27     if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
28         ambulance(); // Call the ambulance function
29     }
30 }
31
32 // Play Ambulance Sounds 5 times while mBot moves forward
33 void ambulance() {
34     // Your code goes here
35 }
36 }
```



Assignment Submission

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Remote Control with Backup Sounds

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

variables, for loops

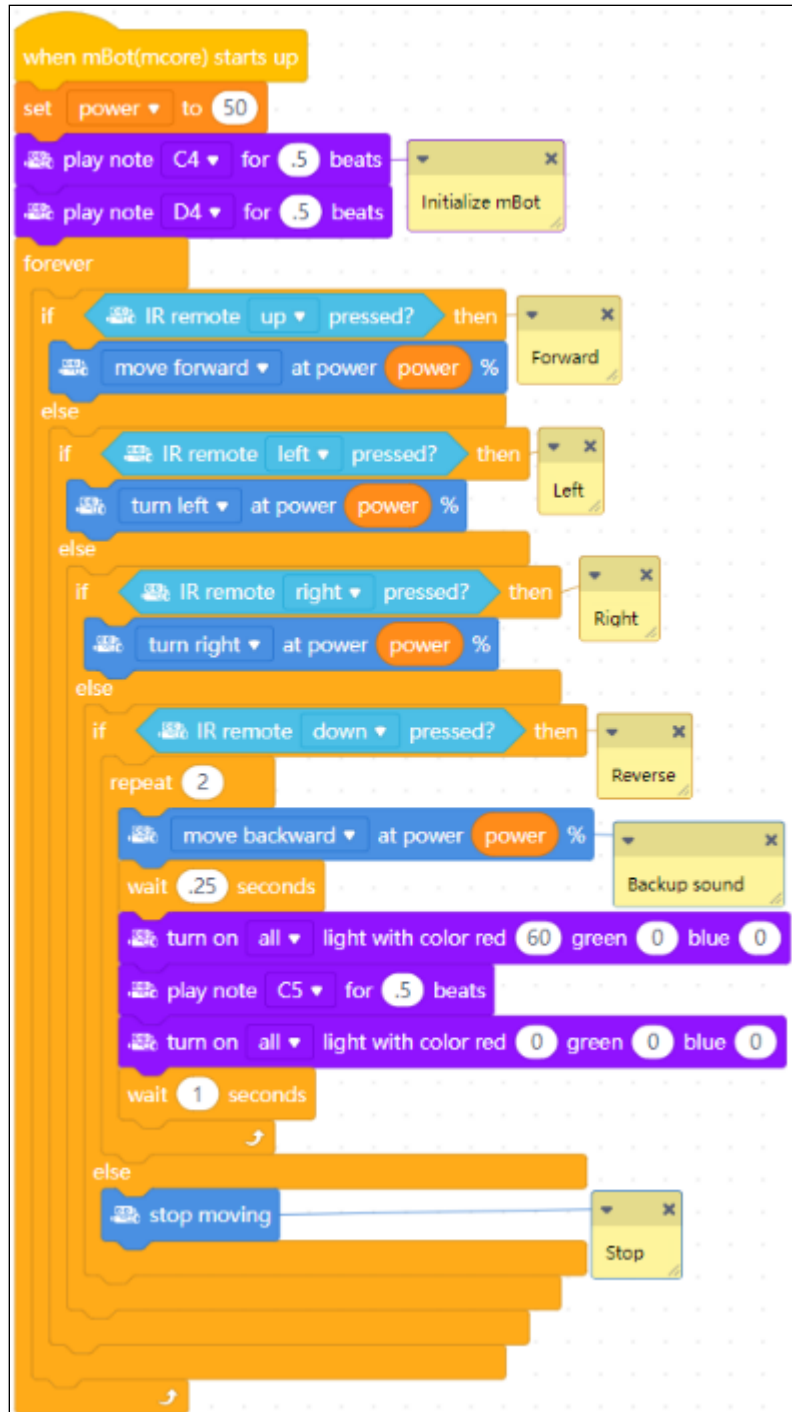
Knowledge Points

Requirements

This program simulates the backup sound of a dump truck or payload.

Assignment

1. Save your Arduino **SimpleRemoteControl** sketch as **RemoteControlBackup**
2. Add some backup sounds to your simple remote sketch using a for loop. Use the mBlock program shown as a guide to build your backup sounds.
3. Add your own sounds and lights.



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Fire Engine

Time required: 60 minutes

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- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

variables, constants, for and while loops

Knowledge Points

This program simulates the sound of a fire engine siren.

Fire Engine Sire Simulation

The fire engine siren's low frequency sound is 500Hz, its high frequency sound is between 1500Hz. The siren sound is generated by repeating the following pattern: the low frequency sound amplifies to a high frequency sound in 1.5 seconds, and then drops back to the lower frequency in 3.5 seconds. Therefore, the fire engine siren sounds can be programmatically simulated as follows:

Set the low frequency to be 500Hz, then set the high frequency sound to be 1500Hz, repeatedly playing the buzzer in a range from 500Hz to 1500Hz and then back to 700Hz. The ratio of amplification time to the drop time is 1.5:3.5, which is 3:7, so the ratio of frequency amplification to the drop needs to be 7:3. By tuning the sound time and amplification vs. drop's amplitude, the fire engine siren is simulated.

Why “repeat until frequency > 1500”, not “frequency = 1500”?

That is because in the example of simulating the fire engine sound effects, it is hard to define the sound frequency each time when it is increased from 500Hz to 1500Hz and what increment it should be each time the frequency is increased. If we set frequency=1500, the final frequency should reach 1500 so that it can break the loop, or the frequency will be increased again and again, making it hard to debug. So we use frequency > 1500, and when the frequency is above 1500, the loop will be broken and the following program decreasing the frequency will be executed.

Requirements

The program runs as shown.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the program as **FireEngine**
2. Complete and test the program as pictured with the requirements listed.

```

1  /**
2   @file    FireEngine.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version v1.0.0
5   @Revised 05/17/18   Created: 06/18/2021
6   @Description: Play fire engine sounds and move forward
7   */
8   // ***** DON'T CHANGE CODE BELOW ***** //
9   #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
10  MeRGBLed led(0, 30); // Create LED object
11  MeIR ir; // Setup IR remote object
12  MeBuzzer buzzer; // Setup buzzer object
13  MeDCMotor MotorL(M1); // MotorL is Left Motor
14  MeDCMotor MotorR(M2); // MotorR is Right
15  // Low frequency of fire engine
16  const int LOW_FREQUENCY = 500;
17  // High frequency of fire engine
18  const int HIGH_FREQUENCY = 1500;
19
20  void setup() {
21    led.setpin(13);
22    // Start listening to the ir remote
23    ir.begin();
24  }
25  // ***** DON'T CHANGE CODE ABOVE ***** //
26
27  void loop() {
28    // loop until remote button is pressed
29    if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
30      fireEngine();
31    } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_DOWN)) {
32      // Uncomment the following line
33      // when you complete the function
34      // policeCar();
35    }
36  }

```



```

38 void fireEngine() {
39     MotorL.run(-127); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
40     MotorR.run(127);  // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
41
42     // Play siren while loops 2x's
43     for (int i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
44         // Set frequency to low frequency
45         int frequency = LOW_FREQUENCY;
46
47         while (frequency < HIGH_FREQUENCY) {
48             buzzer.tone(frequency, 13);
49             frequency = frequency + 35;
50         }
51
52         frequency = HIGH_FREQUENCY;
53         while (frequency > LOW_FREQUENCY) {
54             buzzer.tone(frequency, 13);
55             frequency = frequency - 15;
56         }
57     }
58     MotorL.stop(); // Stop MotorL
59     MotorR.stop(); // Stop MotorR
60 }

```

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

Keep the fire siren.

Add a function that plays a police car sound or a different siren sound. The tutorial shows a policeCar function call which you can complete.

How to simulate police car sound effects: Low-frequency sound is set at 500Hz and high-frequency sound at 1500Hz. It takes 23 ms to raise a low-frequency sound to a high-frequency one and 23 ms to lower a high-frequency sound to a low-frequency one.

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Functions with Parameters (Sounds and Lights)

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Requirements

This program has two functions that behave differently based on the data that is passed in.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

LED's, buzzer, functions, parameters

Knowledge Points

Functions allow for reusable and modular code. The information or data passed into the function each time it is called can be different.

Please go to the following web site to learn more about functions.

<https://startingelectronics.org/software/arduino/learn-to-program-course/15-functions/>

```
forward();

forward(24);
forward(48);

// Call a function with 2 arguments
my_function(440, 1000);
my_function(4, 60);

// A function with two parameters
void my_function(int num1, int num2){
    delay(num2);
    buzzer(num1, num2);
}
```

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **FunctionsWParameters**.
2. Complete and test the tutorial program as shown.

```

1  /**
2   @file    FunctionsWParameters.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   @date revised 06/07/2017  created: 12/16/16
6   @Description: mBot onboard LED's with methods
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
9  MeRGBLed led(0, 30); // Setup the onboard LED port object
10 MeBuzzer buzzer;      // Setup buzzer object
11
12 // Initialization code, only runs once
13 void setup() {
14   led.setpin(13); // Set the pin to access the onboard LED's
15 }
16
17 void loop() { // Loop forever
18   simpleBuzzer(500); // Function that passes in the pitch for the buzzer.
19   delay(2000);
20   simpleBuzzer(700); // Function that passes in the pitch for the buzzer.
21   delay(2000);
22   blinkLed(3, 500); // Call function with 2 parameters
23   delay(2000);
24   blinkLed(2, 250); // Call function with 2 parameters
25   delay(2000);
26 }
27
28 // Function that passes in the pitch for the buzzer.
29 void simpleBuzzer(int pitch) {
30   buzzer.tone(pitch, 500);
31 }
32
33 // Function with 2 parameters to blink Led's and make sounds
34 void blinkLed(int numFlashes, int delayTime) {
35   for (int i = 0; i < numFlashes; i++) { // Loop 5 times, 0-4
36     led.setColorAt(0, 60, 0, 0); // Set LED0 (RightSide) to Red
37     led.setColorAt(1, 0, 0, 60); // Set LED1 (LeftSide) to Blue
38     led.show(); // Show the specified colors
39     buzzer.tone(600, delayTime); // Buzzer sounds 600Hz for delayTime
40
41     led.setColorAt(0, 0, 0, 60); // Set LED0 (RightSide) to Blue
42     led.setColorAt(1, 60, 0, 0); // Set LED1 (LeftSide) to Red
43     led.show(); // Show the specified colors
44     buzzer.tone(700, delayTime); // Buzzer sounds 700Hz for delayTime
45     led.setColor(0, 0, 0);
46   }
47 }

```

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

- Add another simple function with a parameter or parameters that does something with LED's or sound.
- Call the new function.

Assignment Submission

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Sound and Light Gradient

Time required: 45 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

libraries, functions, loops, variables

Requirements

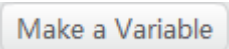
1. Use variables

Tutorial Assignment


This assignment experiments with loops, variables, and changing values in the variables.

This assignment introduces variables and Blocks. Modular code is easier to maintain. Blocks are under My Blocks.

Define a Variable

Go to **Variables**. Click  to create a variable. Enter the name of the variable and create it. 4 blocks relating to it will appear automatically, as shown in the following picture.

The first two blocks are used to define the variable value and the varied value of the variable. The other two blocks are rarely used.

On the left upper corner of the mBlock stage, there will be , where the number is the variable value. This is to facilitate users' observation of the variable value changing.













Use of Variables

Variables are values that change when a program runs. A variable has a name and a value.


In mBlock, we can imagine that a variable is a box containing data. A program can store and extract the data within the box. The name of the box is “variable name” and the data in the box is “variable value”. When you create a variable, the box is empty. When you set a variable value, you fill the box with data. When you change the value you take the data out and put into new data.

The logic of this example is as follows:

1. Define and create a variable .
2. Use the block  to set the initial value of  to 500.
3. Use the block  to define Variable  to the frequency value of the buzzer.
4. Use Block  to increase the value of Variable  by 20 each time, i.e. the frequency of the buzzer increases by 20Hz each time.
5. Use  to limit the number of changes of  to 50, and the final value of  is $500 + 20 \times 50 = 1500\text{Hz}$.

The buzzer sound effects of this example is: It first sounds 500Hz and then the frequency increases by 20Hz each time, i.e. the buzzer sounds respectively 500Hz, 520Hz, and 540Hz

... (you can observe the change of the value in  under online debugging status), and each sound lasts for 50ms. It will stop sounding upon the 50th frequency increase.

Note: If the change in the value is set to  -20, the value of  will be decreased by 20 each time.

Tutorial Assignment

Create and Use a Block

A Block is a chunk of modular code that can be reused in the program without having to write the code again and again.

1. Start mBlock and save the program as **Sound Gradient**.
2. Go to **My Blocks**. Click **Make a Block**.
3. Name the block **Initialize**. Click OK.
4. Use the **define** block to create the code for the block. In this example the block is called **Initialize**.
5. Drag the other part of the block as shown in the example.
6. Upload and test the program. You should hear the three notes.
7. Turn the mBot off and then on. You should hear the three notes indicating the mBot is ready to go.

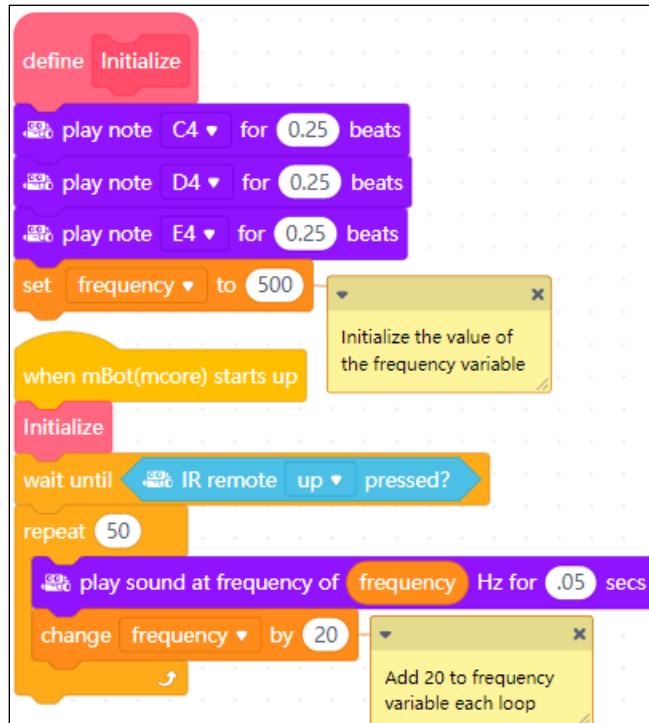


Sound Gradient

The sound starts at a frequency of 500 hertz. Each time through the repeat loop the frequency increases by 20 hertz.

NOTE: Only use letters to start a variable or block name. Don't use spaces in a variable or block name.

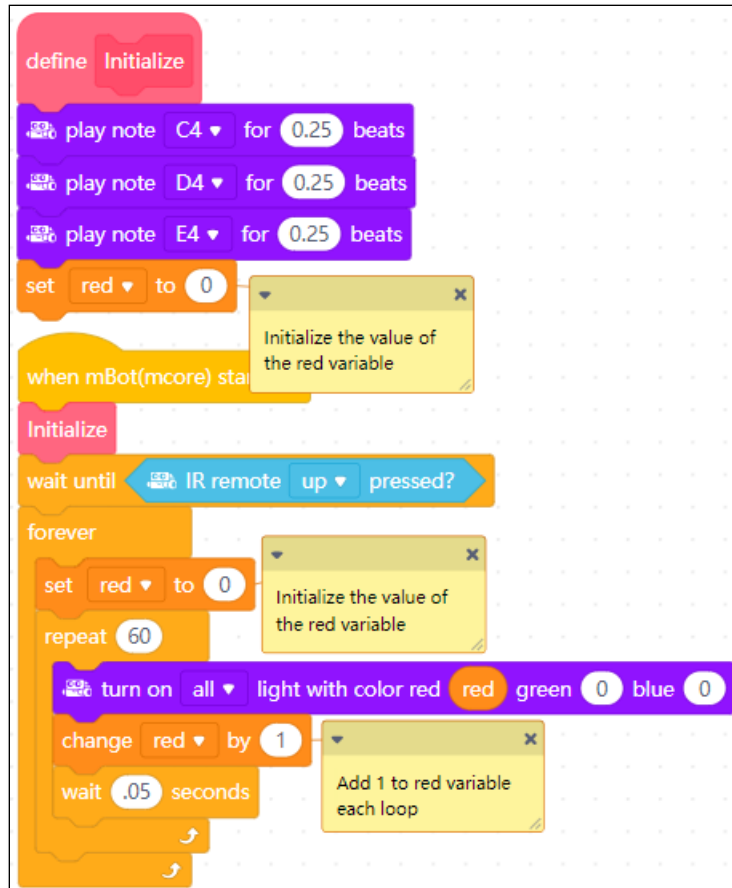
1. Create and test the program as pictured.



Brightness Gradient

The onboard LED lights start dark and the brightness increases gradually. When the brightness reaches a certain value, the onboard LED turns off. Repeat this process.

1. Save this program as **Brightness Gradient**.
2. Complete and test the program as pictured with the requirements listed.



Requirements

- Complete and successfully run the programs as displayed.

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

- Change either program to loop until a different condition is met.
- Change something else based on a variable.

Assignment Submission

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Movement with Functions

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

functions

We will use functions to modularize our code.

Requirements

Complete and successfully run the program as shown.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Create a new sketch called **MovementWFunctions**.
2. Complete and test the program as pictured with the requirements listed.

```

1  /**
2   @file    MovementWFunctions.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   @date revised 10/06/2018   created: 03/03/17
6   @Description: mBot movement with functions
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h>           // Include mBot library
9  MeIR ir;                       // Setup IR Remote object
10 // Create motor control objects
11 MeDCMotor MotorL(M1);          // MotorL is Left Motor
12 MeDCMotor MotorR(M2);          // MotorR is Right Motor
13 const int MOTOR_POWER = 127;   // Base power setting
14 const int TIME = 1000;         // Time in milliseconds
15
16 void setup() {
17   ir.begin(); // Start listening to the ir
18 }
19
20 void loop() {
21   // Wait until a remote button is pressed
22   if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
23     Move();
24   }
25 }
26

```

```
31 // A function calling other functions
32 void Move() {
33     forward(MOTOR_POWER);
34     delay(TIME);
35     reverse(MOTOR_POWER);
36     delay(TIME);
37     forward(MOTOR_POWER);
38     delay(TIME);
39     leftTurn(MOTOR_POWER);
40     delay(TIME);
41     reverse(MOTOR_POWER);
42     delay(TIME);
43     rightTurn(MOTOR_POWER);
44     delay(TIME);
45     leftTurn(MOTOR_POWER);
46     delay(TIME);
47     reverse(MOTOR_POWER);
48     delay(TIME);
49     leftMotor(MOTOR_POWER);
50     delay(TIME);
51     rightMotor(MOTOR_POWER);
52     delay(TIME);
53     stop();
54 }
55
```

```

56 // Forward movement function with power argument
57 void forward(int power) {
58     MotorL.run(-power); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
59     MotorR.run(+power); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
60 }
61
62 // Reverse movement function with power argument
63 void reverse(int power) {
64     MotorL.run(+power); // MotorL (Left) reverse is +positive
65     MotorR.run(-power); // MotorR (Right) reverse is -negative
66 }
67
68 // Left turn movement function with power argument
69 void leftTurn(int power) {
70     MotorL.run(+power); // MotorL (Left) backward is +positive
71     MotorR.run(+power); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
72 }
73
74 // Right turn movement function with power argument
75 void rightTurn(int power) {
76     MotorL.run(-power); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
77     MotorR.run(-power); // MotorR (Right) backward is -negative
78 }
79
80 // Control just the left motor
81 void leftMotor(int power) {
82     MotorL.run(+power);
83 }
84
85 // Control just the right motor
86 void rightMotor(int power) {
87     MotorR.run(-power);
88 }
89
90 // Stop function
91 void stop() {
92     MotorL.stop(); // Stop MotorL
93     MotorR.stop(); // Stop MotorR
94 }

```

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

1. Add another function with a different remote button that calls a different combination of movements.

Assignment Submission

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Calibrate Movement

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

variables, constants, if else if

Knowledge Points

We are going to calibrate the robot to go a certain distance and turn accurately. The battery charge can make a difference, make sure the batteries are charged. The surface the robot is traveling on will make a difference. You may want to keep track of the settings for each surface. The sample program settings are for a smooth surface.

NOTE: The mBot is not an accurate robot. As the batteries discharge and the conditions change, it will behave differently. The only things we can change is power and time. Just try to get close.

This program will allow us to calibrate our mBot for the following:

1. Driving straight by adjust the comp variable.
2. Distance by adjusting the time variable to drive 48".
3. Turns by adjusting turnTime360 to have the mBot start and start in approximately the same orientation while making a square.

Requirements

- Start with your Arduino Movement with Functions program. Make a copy of the program folder.
- Use your mBlock Calibrate Distance and Square program settings as a starting point.
- **Create** a program that has a block that move forward 48", does a square turning to the right, and another square turning to the left.

- The mBlock program measures time in seconds, Arduino measures in milliseconds. 5.8 seconds would be 5800 milliseconds.
- Vary the compensation and time in milliseconds to make an exact square.
- When doing the square, the robot should end where it started.

	Power	90°
Left	127 * 1.1	520
Right	127	

- Use the arrow keys on the remote to drive forward and start the squares.
- Turning while moving changes the turning rate, you may have to recalibrate your 360TurnTime.

Tutorial

1. Save the sketch as **CalibrateMovement**
2. Complete and test the program as shown.

```

1 /**
2   @file    CalibrateSquare.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version v1.0.0
5   @Revised 10/11/2021   Created: 12/10/16
6   @Description: Calibrate distance, driving straight,
7   and turn speed by turning right and left squares
8 */
9 #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
10 MeIR ir; // Setup IR remote object
11 // Create motor control objects
12 MeDCMotor MotorL(M1); // MotorL is Left Motor
13 MeDCMotor MotorR(M2); // MotorR is Right Motor
14 const int POWER = 127; // Base power setting
15 const float COMP = 1.0; // Compensation to make the robot drive straight
16 // Increase COMP .02 at a time if your robot drives to the left
17 // Decrease COMP .02 at a time if your robot drives to the right
18 int lPower = round(POWER * COMP); // Apply compensation to left motor
19 int rPower = POWER;
20 const int DRIVE_TIME = 5400; // Time in milliseconds it takes to go 48"
21 // Increase time if the robot comes up short, decrease if it goes too far
22 const int TURN_TIME = 530; // Time in milliseconds it takes to turn 90 degrees
23 // Increase by 20 at a time if the robots 90 degress is short
24 // Decrease by 20 at a time if the robots 90 degress is too long
25
26 void setup() {
27   ir.begin(); // Start listening to the ir remote
28 }
29
30 void loop() {
31   // Wait until remote button is pressed
32   if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
33     forward48();
34   }
35   else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_LEFT)) {
36     leftSquare();
37   }
38   else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_RIGHT)) {
39     rightSquare();
40   }
41 }
42

```

```

43 // Drive forward 48 inches
44 void forward48() {
45     MotorL.run(-lPower); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
46     MotorR.run(+rPower); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
47     delay(DRIVE_TIME);    // Drive for the amount of time it takes
48     stop();
49 }
50
51 // Right 12 inch square
52 void rightSquare() {
53     // The for loop repeats four times
54     for (int x = 0; x < 4; x++) {
55         forward(); // Drive forward 12"
56         right();    // Turn to the right 90 degrees
57     }
58 }
59
60 // Left 12 inch square
61 void leftSquare() {
62     // The for loop repeats four times
63     for (int x = 0; x < 4; x++) {
64         forward(); // Drive forward 12"
65         left();     // Turn to the left 90 degrees
66     }
67 }
68 // Left turn 90 degrees
69 void left() {
70     MotorL.run(+lPower); // MotorL (Left) backward is +positive
71     MotorR.run(+rPower); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
72     delay(TURN_TIME);    // Time to turn 90 degrees
73     stop();
74 }
75
76 // Right turn 90 degrees
77 void right() {
78     MotorL.run(-lPower); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
79     MotorR.run(-rPower); // MotorR (Right) backward is -negative
80     delay(TURN_TIME);    // Time to turn 90 degrees
81     stop();
82 }
83

```

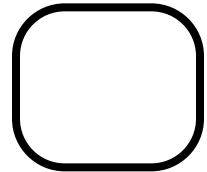
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84 // Drive forward 12 inches
85 void forward() {
86     MotorL.run(-lPower); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
87     MotorR.run(+rPower); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
88     delay(DRIVE_TIME / 4); // Time to go 12"
89     stop();
90 }
91
92 // Stop
93 void stop() {
94     MotorL.stop(); // Stop MotorL
95     MotorR.stop(); // Stop MotorR
96 }

```

Extra Credit Challenge Assignment

1. Add a **new** function to calibrate a right car turn.
2. Create a new turning function to trace a right handed square with rounded corners. Combine a differential turn with a 12" straight line and loop it four times.
3. **Comment** your challenge code.



Assignment Submission

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Accurate Movement (We Like to Move It!)

Time required: 90 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

libraries, functions

We know how much time it takes to move a certain distance at a certain power. We can input the distance for accurate movement. We can also calculate the amount of time it takes to turn a specific angle.

We will create a reusable library file called **Movement.h**. We will use this file to store our movement code and copy it from sketch to sketch. This allows for easily reusable code.

The following are the calculations we use to determine how far we are traveling.

$\text{avgSpeed (inches per second)} = (\text{Distance(inches)} / \text{Time})$

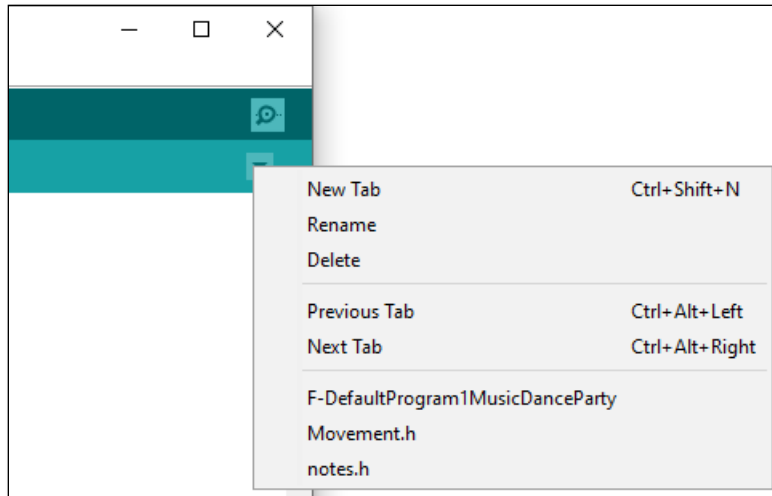
Example: $(4' / 7400) = 6.5 \text{ inches per second}$

Requirements

1. Create a function that tests each of the movements.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Open **CalibrateMovement**. Save the sketch as **AccurateMovement**.
2. On the right side of the Arduino IDE, click the down triangle → Click **New Tab** → **Filename** → **Movement.h** Click OK.



3. Cut and paste the code from the top of the main ino file to **Movement.h**. Look at the code at the end of this document to tell which code to copy and paste.
4. You can delete the code at the bottom of the ino file.
5. Complete and test the program as pictured with the requirements listed.

```

1  /**
2   | @file    AccurateMovement.ino
3   | @author  William A Loring
4   | @version V1.0.0
5   | @date    revised 03/10/2018   created: 12/10/16
6   | @Description: Accurate mBot movement with methods
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h>    // Include mBot library
9  #include "Movement.h"  // Include custom Movement.h function library
10 MeIR ir;                // Create IR remote object
11
12 void setup() {
13     ir.begin(); // Start listening to the remote
14 }
15
16 void loop() {
17     remote(); // Check remote for button press
18 }
19
20 // Determine if a remote button is pressed
21 void remote() {
22     if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) { // If a remote button is pressed
23         moves(); // Call moves function
24     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_DOWN)) { // If a remote button is pressed
25         yourMoves(); // Call new function
26     }
27 }

```



```
29 // Combination of movement functions from the Movement.h file
30 void moves() {
31     forwardInches(12);
32     reverseInches(12);
33     stop();
34     delay(1000); // This is an Arduino function
35     forwardInches(12);
36     leftTurnDegrees(90);
37     forwardInches(12);
38     rightTurnDegrees(90);
39     forwardInches(12);
40 }
41
42 // Combination of your moves from the Movement.h file
43 void yourMoves() {
44     // Insert your move functions here
45
46 }
```

Movement.h

```
1  /**
2   | @file    Movement.h
3   | @author  William A Loring
4   | @version V1.0.0
5   | @date    Revised 04/03/18  Created: 12/07/17
6   | @Description: Portable mBot movement with methods library file
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
9
10 // Create motor control objects
11 MeDCMotor MotorL(M1); // MotorL is Left Motor
12 MeDCMotor MotorR(M2); // MotorL is Right Motor
13 const int POWER = 127; // Base power setting at 50% Maximum is 255
14
15 // Use forward48() to calibrate distance
16 // Increase COMP .02 at a time if your robot drives to the left
17 // Decrease COMP .02 at a time if your robot drives to the right
18 const float COMP = 1.0; // Compensation to make the robot drive straight
19
20 // Apply compensation to left motor
21 // Use round function to convert float result to integer
22 int lPower = round(POWER * COMP); // Apply compensation to left motor
23 int rPower = POWER;
24
25 // Increase time if the robot comes up short, decrease if it goes too far
26 const int DRIVE_TIME = 5400; // Time in milliseconds it takes to go 48"
27
28 // Use the average of leftSquare() and rightSquare() to calibrate turns
29 // Increase by 20 ms at a time if the robots 90 degree is short
30 // Decrease by 20 ms at a time if the robots 90 degree is too long
31 const int TURN_TIME = 530; // Time in milliseconds it takes to turn 90 degrees
32
33 const int DISTANCE = 48;
34 // Calculate inches per second
35 // (float) casts DISTANCE int constant to a float
36 // This forces float math instead of integer math
37 float inchPerSec = (float)DISTANCE / DRIVE_TIME;
```

```

39 //-----
40 // Stop function: This function is called in other functions, it has to be first
41 void stop() {
42     MotorL.stop(); // Stop MotorL
43     MotorR.stop(); // Stop MotorR
44 }
45
46 //-----
47 // Forward function with distance in inches argument
48 void forwardInches(int distance) {
49     float drvTime; // Time it takes to drive a certain distance
50     drvTime = distance / inchPerSec; // Calculate drive time in milliseconds
51     MotorL.run(-lPower); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
52     MotorR.run(+rPower); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
53     delay(drvTime); // Drive a certain number of inches based on avgSpeed
54     stop(); // Stop Motors
55 }
56
57 //-----
58 // Reverse function with distance in inches argument
59 void reverseInches(int distance) {
60     float drvTime; // Time it takes to drive a certain distance
61     drvTime = distance / inchPerSec; // Calculate drive time in milliseconds
62     MotorL.run(+lPower); // MotorL (Left) reverse is +positive
63     MotorR.run(-rPower); // MotorR (Right) reverse is -negative
64     delay(drvTime); // Drive a certain number of inches based on avgSpeed
65     stop(); // Stop Motors
66 }

```

```

68 //-----
69 // Left turn function with degrees of turn argument
70 void leftTurnDegrees(int degrees) {
71     float drvTime; // Time it takes to drive a certain distance
72     drvTime = (degrees / 90.0) * TURN_TIME; // Calculate turn time for degrees
73     MotorL.run(+lPower); // MotorL (Left) reverse is +positive
74     MotorR.run(+rPower); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
75     delay(drvTime); // Turn a certain number of degrees based on time
76     stop(); // Stop Motors
77 }
78
79 //-----
80 // Right turn function with degrees of turn argument
81 void rightTurnDegrees(int degrees) {
82     float drvTime; // Time it takes to drive a certain distance
83     drvTime = (degrees / 90.0) * TURN_TIME; // Calculate turn time for degrees
84     MotorL.run(-lPower); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
85     MotorR.run(-rPower); // MotorR (Right) reverse is -negative
86     delay(drvTime); // Turn a certain number of degrees based on time
87     stop(); // Stop Motors
88 }

```

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

1. Create another function in the main sketch like the move function with different moves from the **Movement.h** file.
2. Use a different remote key to trigger the new function.

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Ultrasonic Sensor Test

Time required: 30 minutes

Video Walkthrough:

<https://somup.com/c36QYIvhnP>

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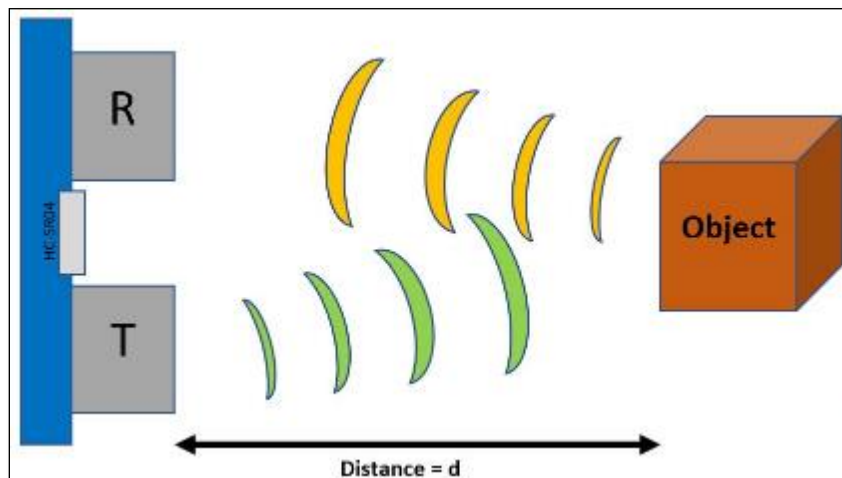
Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

ultrasonic sensor, serial monitor

Knowledge Points

The robot has an ultrasonic sensor on the front that detects objects and how far away they are. One “eye” emits ultrasonic sound waves while the other receives the signals bounced back. The distance is calculated based on how long it takes for the sound to return, much like a sonar



Tutorial Assignment

Test the ultrasonic sensor in inches or cm. Go to **Tools** → **Serial Monitor** to view the feedback.

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **UltrasonicSensorTest**.
2. Complete and test the program as shown.

```
1 /**
2   @file    UltrasonicSensorTest.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   Revised: 06/07/2017   Created: 12/06/2016
6   @Description: Sample code for mBot ultrasonic sensor
7   The measured value range from 1in to 180in, or 3cm to 400cm.
8   Closer than 1in or 3cm or farther than 180in or 400cm measurement
9   will appear as 180in or 400cm, it is not possible to distinguish between the two.
10  */
11  #include <MeMCore.h>           // Include mBot library
12  MeUltrasonicSensor ultrasonic(PORT_3); // Setup the ultrasonic sensor object
13  const int SENSOR_DELAY = 100; // Delay between sensor readings
14
15  void setup() {
16    Serial.begin(9600); // Setup the serial monitor
17  }
18
19  void loop() {
20    Serial.print("distance(in) = "); // Print the inch results to the serial monitor
21    Serial.print(ultrasonic.distanceInch()); // Distance value from 1in - 180in
22    Serial.print("\t\t"); // Print tabs to separate the values
23    Serial.print("distance(cm) = "); // Print the cm results to the serial monitor
24
25    // println prints a linefeed
26    // which moves the display to the next line after printing to the screen
27    // Otherwise, your display scrolls to the right
28    Serial.println(ultrasonic.distanceCm()); // Distance value from 3cm - 400cm
29
30    delay(SENSOR_DELAY); // Wait before next measurement
31  }
```

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Arduino Simple Obstacle Avoidance

Time required: 30 minutes

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1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

ultrasonic sensor, if statements

Requirements

- Avoid obstacles by backing up, turning right, then continue moving.
- Include **Movement.h**.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **SimpleObstacleAvoidance**.
2. Complete and test the program as pictured with the requirements listed.
3. Comment your code.

```
D-SimpleObstacleAvoidance Movement.h
1 /**
2   @file    SimpleObstacleAvoidance.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   Revised: 10/21/2022   Created: 01/04/2017
6   @Description: Simple Obstacle Avoidance
7   If there is an obstacle, backup, turn right 90 and keep going
8 */
9 #include <MeMCore.h>
10 #include "Movement.h"
11 // Setup mBot hardware
12 MeIR ir; // Setup IR Remote
13 MeBuzzer buzzer; // Setup the buzzer
14 MeUltrasonicSensor ultrasonic(PORT_3); // Setup the ultrasonic sensor
15 MeRGBLed led(0, 30); // Setup the led's
16 const int OBSTACLE_DISTANCE = 8; // Constant to set Distance to obstacle
17
18 void setup() {
19   led.setpin(13); // Set the pin for the led
20   ir.begin(); // Begin listening for the ir remote
21 }
22
23 void loop() {
24   if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
25     avoidObstacle();
26   }
27 }
28
29 void avoidObstacle() {
30   while (true) {
31     int sensorState; // Store ultrasonic sensor reading
32     led.setColor(0, 60, 0); //Set LED to green
33     led.show();
34     forward();
35     // sensorState = ultrasonic.distanceCm(); // Read ultrasonic sensor in cm
36     sensorState = ultrasonic.distanceInch(); // Read ultrasonic sensor in inches
37     // If obstacle within OBSTACLE_DISTANCE distance, back up and turn right
38     if (sensorState < OBSTACLE_DISTANCE) {
39       led.setColor(60, 0, 0); //Set LED to red
40       led.show();
41       reverseInches(6);
42       rightTurnDegrees(90);
43     }
44   }
45 }
```

Assignment Submission

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Light Sensor Test

Time required: 15 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Please watch this video about serial communication:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GiidlydjKjI> Duration: 2:05

Demonstrate understanding of:

light sensor, serial monitor

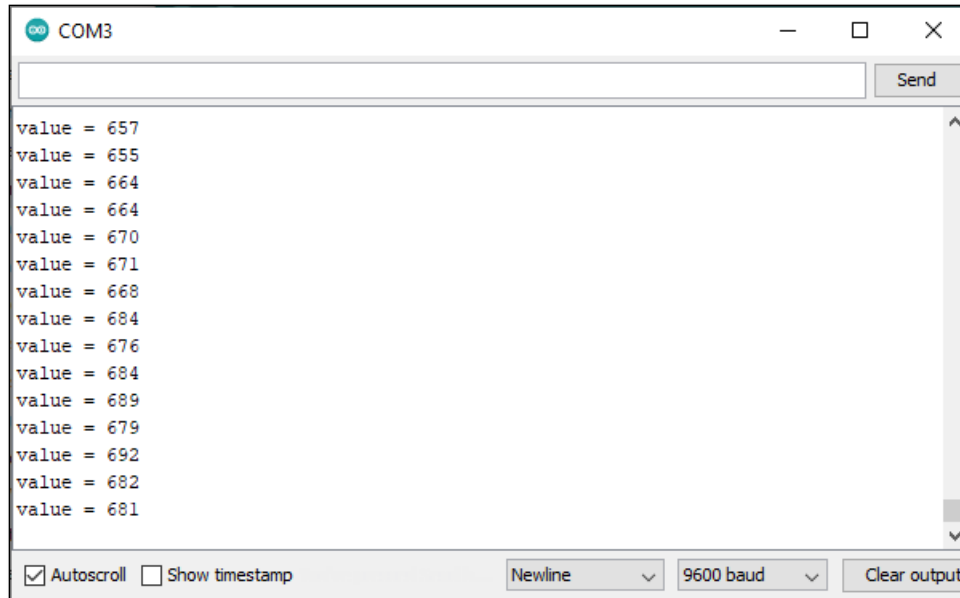
Requirements

The mBot has a light sensor which can be used to create interactivity with the robot. The onboard light sensor has a sensitivity of 0 (dark) - 1024 (light).

This program uses the serial monitor to show the readings coming from the light sensor.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **LightSensorTest**.
2. Complete and test the program as shown.
3. While the sketch is running: In the Arduino IDE, go to **Tools → Serial Monitor** to display the real time reading from the light sensor. Move your hand back and forth on top of the mBot. Notice the number changes.
4. Please include the serial monitor in your screencast.



```
1  /**
2   * @file    LightSensorTest.ino
3   * @author  William A Loring
4   * @version V1.0.0
5   * @Revised: 06/07/2017 Created: 12/10/2016
6   * @Description: Sample code for mBot onboard light sensor
7   */
8  #include <MeMCore.h>           // Include the mBot library
9  // Setup global variables and objects
10 MeLightSensor lightSensor(PORT_8); // Setup the light sensor object
11 const int SENSOR_DELAY = 50;    // Sensor read delay in milliseconds
12
13 void setup() {
14   Serial.begin(9600); // Setup serial monitor
15 }
16
17 void loop() {
18   Serial.print("value = ");      // Print the results to the serial monitor
19   Serial.println(lightSensor.read()); // Brightness value from 0-1023
20   delay(SENSOR_DELAY);          // Wait before next measurement
21 }
```

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Arduino Dance Party!

Time required: 60 minutes

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Introduction of the Light Sensor

Sensors are used to detect events or changes in the environment and send information to the electronic components of other electronic devices. While the program is running and debugging, it is often required to collect real-time sensor values to help us understand the environment light, sound, distance and other information.

Light sensor value range: 0~1000, exposed under sunshine (> 500), evening (0 ~ 100), lighting (100 to 500).

The following program will give you a robot bedtime dance party!

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

light sensor

Knowledge Points

We will do some math to determine the normal light in a room when the program first runs. If the light level falls below 80% of the room illumination, the robot sounds an alarm!

Requirements

- When the lights are off, the robot dances, plays music, blinks lights.
- When the lights are on, the robot is quiet.
- There will be variety in movement, sights, and sounds.
- Create or copy your own initialize function.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Save the Arduino sketch as **DanceParty**.
2. Copy **notes.h** and **Movement.h** into the program folder.
3. Relaunch the Arduino IDE to recognize the files in the folder.

Getting Started Code

```
D-DanceParty.ino  Movement.h  notes.h

1  /**
2   | @file    DanceParty.ino
3   | @author  William A Loring
4   | @version V1.0.0
5   | @Revised: 10/21/2022 Created: 12/10/2016
6   | @Description: Dance Party triggered by light sensor
7   */
8  #include <MeMCore.h> // Include the mBot library
9  #include "Movement.h"
10 #include "notes.h" // Include notes.h to easily play notes
11 MeIR ir; // Create ir remote object
12 // Setup global variables and objects
13 MeBuzzer buzzer; // Setup buzzer object
14 MeRGBLed led(0, 30); // Setup the onboard LED object
15 MeLightSensor lightSensor(PORT_8); // Setup the light sensor object
16 const int DARK = 400; // Level of light to trigger light sensor
17
18 void setup() {
19     ir.begin(); // Start listening to the remote
20     led.setpin(13); // Set pin for led access
21     initialize(); // Call initialize function, mBot announces it is ready!
22 }
23
24 void loop() {
25     if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
26         DanceParty();
27     }
28 }
```

```
31 void DanceParty() {  
32   while (true) {  
33     if (lightSensor.read() < DARK) {  
34       // Your Dance Party code here  
35     }  
36   }  
37 }
```

The mBlock program shown below is to get you started and give you the shape of the code. This is an Arduino assignment. Be creative!



Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

Get creative and modify this code to your own version of Bedtime Dance Party!

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Car and Tank Turns

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
- Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

separate motor control, variables

By varying the power to each motor, the mBot can make different types of turns.

Requirements

- The program will run when you press the robot's remote-control button.
- Add your new movements into **Movement.h**
- Turn like a CAR with differential turns.

Assignment

1. Save the sketch as **CarAndTankTurns**.
2. Complete and test the program with the requirements listed.

Assignment Submission

- **All students** → Attach finished programs to the assignment in Blackboard.
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Keep Away - Arduino

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

- Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
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- Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

Ultrasonic sensor, relational operators

Knowledge Points

An ultrasonic sensor can detect the distance from the object in front of it. A critical value is the distance between the object in front and mBot's ultrasonic sensor can be defined as the threshold to determine whether mBot should move forward (a threshold is a value of the condition under which an object is changed, which is also called critical value).

While Loop

A while loop is like the mBlock **repeat until** block. This loop keeps going until a condition is met.

In this example, the condition is **true**, the loop repeats forever.

```
while (true) {  
    // Your code here  
}
```

In the example program below, the keep away part of the program will continue to repeat until the set button is pressed. The program exits the loop. The mBot stops moving.

In this example the value of the ultrasonic sensor indicates the distance between mBot and the object in front of it. Given the threshold of 15cm, mBot will keep moving forward until its distance from the object is less than 15cm; the mBot will stop immediately when its distance from the object is less than 15cm.

Requirements

- The robot detects an object within 15 cm and stops.
- When the object is moved, the mBot starts moving forward.
- Test the keep away with your foot.

Starter Code

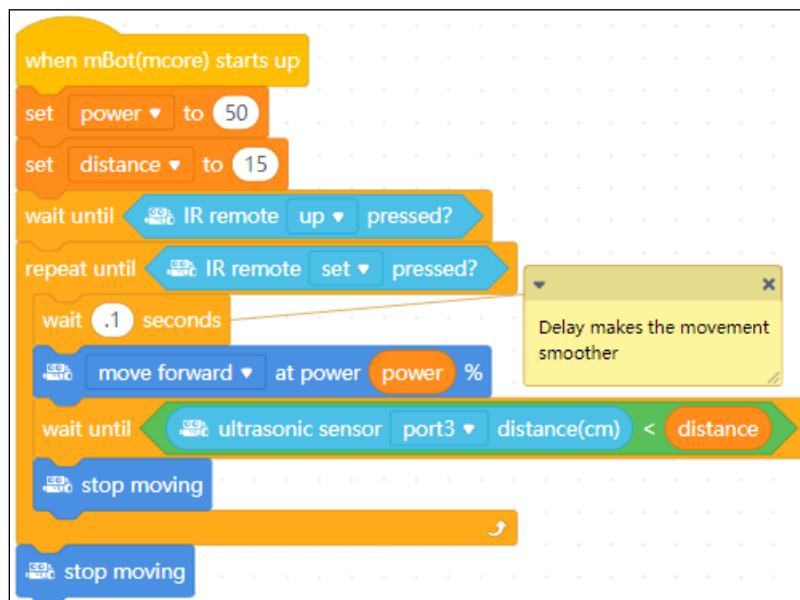
```
D-KeepAway$ Movement.h
1 /**
2   @file    SimpleObstacleAvoidance.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   Revised: 10/06/2018   Created: 01/04/2017
6   @Description: Simple Obstacle Avoidance
7   If there is an obstacle, backup, turn right 90 and keep going
8 */
9 #include <MeMCore.h>
10 #include "Movement.h"
11 // Setup mBot hardware
12 MeIR ir; // Setup IR Remote
13 MeBuzzer buzzer; // Setup the buzzer
14 MeUltrasonicSensor ultrasonic(PORT_3); // Setup the ultrasonic sensor
15 MeRGBLed led(0, 30); // Setup the led's
16 const int OBSTACLE_DISTANCE = 10; // Constant to set Distance to obstacle
17
18 void setup() {
19   led.setpin(13); // Set the pin for the led
20   ir.begin(); // Begin listening for the ir remote
21 }
22
23 void loop() {
24   if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
25     avoidObstacle();
26   }
27 }
28
29 void avoidObstacle() {
30   // Forever loop
31   while (true) {
32     // Your code here
33   }
34 }
```

Pseudocode

```
void keepAway() {  
  // Variable to store ultrasonic sensor reading  
  sensorState  
  // Infinite loop  
  while (true) {  
    Read ultrasonic sensor in inches  
    If sensorState is less than SHORT_DISTANCE of 8 inches  
      Set LED's to red  
      backwards  
    {else if sensorState < OBSTACLE_DISTANCE of 10 inches  
      Set LED's to red  
      stop  
    } else) {  
      Set LED to green  
      forward  
    }  
    Delay 100 milliseconds  
  }  
}
```

Assignment

1. Open the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **KeepAway**
2. Complete and test the program. Use the mBlock program as an example to get started.



- The robot also moves backwards if the barrier is moved closer to the mBot.

Assignment Submission

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Simple Line Following (What's My Line?) - Arduino

Time required: 60 minutes

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2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

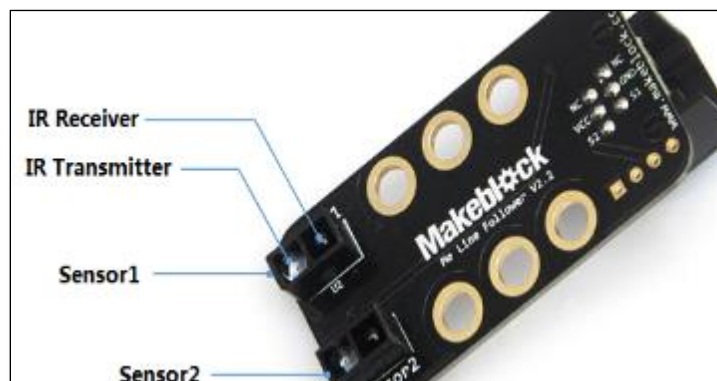
Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

line-follower sensor, if then else

Principles of the Line-follower Sensor

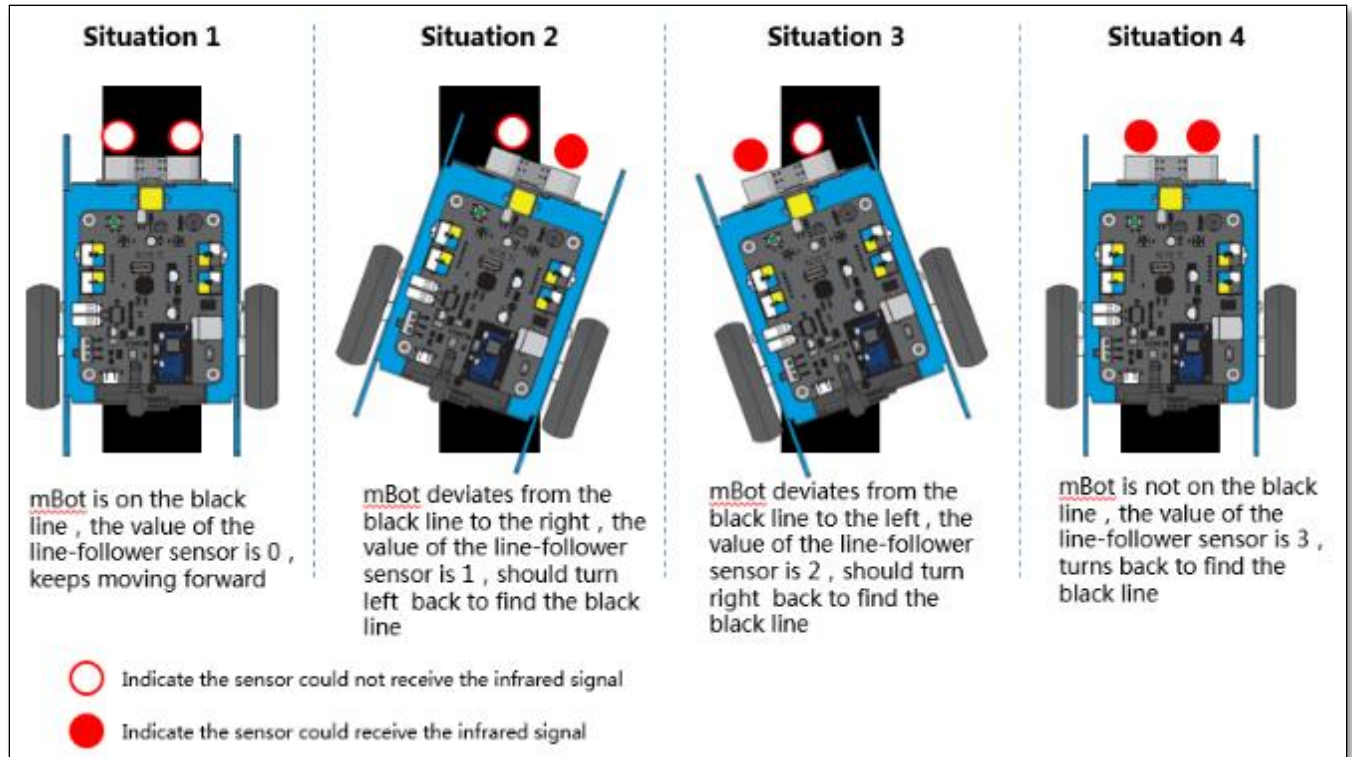
The line-follower sensor is below the robot (see the attached diagram), which consists of two sensors, Sensor 1 and 2, each consisting of an infrared emitter and an infrared receiver (see the attached diagram). As it is often used to keep the robot moving straight, it is called a line-follower sensor. Its detection range is 1 to 2 cm.



The infrared emitter continually emits infrared light during the mBot moving:

- If the infrared light is reflected (encountering white or other light color surfaces), the receiver receives the infrared signal and output the value 1 (now you can see the blue LED on the back of the line-follower sensor is lighted);
- If the infrared light is absorbed or cannot be reflected, the receiver will not receive the infrared signal but output the value 0.

The mBot line-follower sensors can detect a white line on a black surface, or a black line on a white surface.



- **Situation 1:** Line follower = 0. Both sensors detect a line indicated by both blue lights shutting off.
- **Situation 2:** Line follower = 1. The right sensor no longer detects a line indicated by the right blue light turning on. In order to get the mBot back on the line, therefore, we turn the mBot left until both sensors are activated and the mBot continues moving forward.
- **Situation 3:** Line follower = 2. The left sensor no longer detects a line indicated by the left blue light turning on. So we turn the mBot right until both sensors are activated and the mBot continues moving forward again.
- **Situation 4:** Line follower = 3. Both sensors no longer detect a line. Run backward until the robot detects a line.

Sensor Position	Value
Both sensors over the line	0
Right sensor off line	1
Left sensor off line	2

Both sensors off line	3
-----------------------	---

Line Follower Track: A line follower track can be made with foam board and black tape. Automotive cloth wiring harness, electrical tape duct tape works well.

Relational Operators

Relational operators test for true or false by comparing one value to another. In this program we will compare the distance the sensor detects to the distance that we have set.

Operator	Interpretation	Examples	Result
>	Greater than	10 > 9 10 > 10	true false
>=	Greater than or equal to	10 >= 10 10 >= 11	true false
<	Less than	9 < 10 10 < 10	true false
<=	Less than or equal to	10 <= 10 10 <=-9	true true
==	Equal to	9 == 9	true
!=	Not equal to	9 != 9	false

Simple Line Following

This is a sketch shows how the line following sensor works with the mBot in Arduino C. Four possible states of the line sensor provides five different motor responses. You will modify and use **Movement.h** to control the robot.

Left Sensor	Right Sensor	Sensor Reading	Motor Response
In	In	S1_IN_S2_IN Both on line	Go Straight
In	Out	S1_IN_S2_OUT Right off line	Left turn
Out	In	S1_OUT_S2_IN Left off line	Right turn

Out	Out	S1_OUT_S2_OUT Both off line	(If previously left turn) Left Turn
			(If previously right turn) Right Turn

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **SimpleLineFollowing**.
2. Copy the file **Movement.h** into the sketch folder. **Movement.h** will need to be modified as shown below.
3. Complete and test the program as pictured.

```
1  /**
2   @file    SimpleLineFollowing.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   @Revised: 10/21/2022 Created: 12/16/2016
6   @Description: Simple line following
7   Turn left or right to follow the line.
8  */
9  #include <MeMCore.h>
10 #include "Movement.h"
11 MeLineFollower lineFinder(PORT_2); // Setup line following sensors
12 MeIR ir; // Setup IR remote object
13 MeBuzzer buzzer; // Setup buzzer object
14
15 // Variable for line follower sensor reading
16 int sensorState;
17
18 void setup() {
19   ir.begin(); // Begin listening for the ir remote
20 }
21
22 void loop() {
23   if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
24     followLine();
25   }
26 }
27
28 void followLine() {
29   while (true) {
30     // Read line follower sensor into variable
31     sensorState = lineFinder.readSensors();
32
33     // Both on line, go straight ahead
34     if (sensorState == S1_IN_S2_IN) {
35       forward();
36
37       // Right off line, turn left
38     } else if (sensorState == S1_IN_S2_OUT) {
39       left();
40
41       // Left off line, turn right
42     } else if (sensorState == S1_OUT_S2_IN) {
43       right();
44
45       // Both off line, turn left
46     } else if (sensorState == S1_OUT_S2_OUT) {
47       left();
48     }
49   }
50 }
```

Movement.h Modifications

Add forward, reverse, left and right functions to your **Movement.h** file. A forward function is given to start with. Add reverse, left and right functions.

```
25 // Forward function for line following
26 void forward() {
27     MotorL.run(-lPower);    // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
28     MotorR.run(+rPower);    // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
29 }
```

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Driving School - Arduino

Time required: 120 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

libraries, loops, variables

NOTE: The mBot is not an accurate robot. As the batteries discharge and the conditions change, it will behave differently. The only thing we can change is power and time. Just try to get close.

We can accurately move and turn. You will combine the movement and turning programs into one. There isn't an example program, it is up to you to figure it out.

Charge your batteries. Calibrate your robot with the **CalibrateMovement** program.

The sample program will get you started. It is time to put your mBot through its paces. Can you pass the driving tests?

Assignment

- Save **AccurateMovement** as **DrivingSchool**
- Use **Movement.h** for your movements.
- Assign each shape to a different remote-control button as shown.
- Use a for loop for repeated code.
- Add sounds and lights to make the program more interesting.
- Use the example program to get started.

Requirements

1. **Square** - Trace the path of a square that is 1-foot square. Start and end in the same place and the same orientation.

2. **Rectangle** - Trace the path of a rectangle that is 1-foot x 2-foot. Start and end in the same place and the same orientation.
3. **Sentry** - Trace a 1-foot square around an object. Start the square one way, then turn around and go the other way.
4. **Retrace** - Move in a 1-foot square forward, and then move in reverse to retrace that same square backwards to the beginning point and orientation.

```

1  /**
2   @file    DrivingSchool.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   @date revised 03/10/2018   created: 12/10/16
6   @Description: Accurate mBot movement using a Movement function library
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
9  #include "Movement.h" // Include custom Movement function library
10 MeIR ir; // Create ir remote object
11 void setup() {
12   ir.begin(); // Start listening to the remote
13 }
14
15 void loop() {
16   remote(); // Check remote for button press
17 }
18
19 // Move in a 1' square turning to the left
20 void leftSquare() {
21   for (int x = 0; x < 4; x++) { // Loop 4 times, 0-3
22     forwardInches(12);
23     leftTurnDegrees(90);
24   }
25 }
26
27 // Move in a 1' square turning to the right
28 void rightSquare() {
29   for (int x = 0; x < 4; x++) { // Loop 4 times, 0-3
30     forwardInches(12);
31     rightTurnDegrees(90);
32   }
33 }
34
35 // Wait until a remote button is pressed
36 void remote() {
37   if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_LEFT)) { // If a remote button is pressed
38     leftSquare();
39   } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_RIGHT)) { // If the right arrow is pressed, rightSquare
40     rightSquare();
41   }
42 }

```

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Driving School Part 2 - Arduino

Time required: 120 minutes

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1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

libraries, functions

Charge your batteries. Calibrate your robot with the **CalibrateMovement** program.

Assignment

- Use **Movement.h** for your movements.
- Assign each shape to a different remote control button.
- Open the **DrivingSchool** program you created in the earlier exercise. Save the sketch as **DrivingSchool2**.

Requirements

1. **ForwardReverse** - Move forward 12", turn 180°, move backwards 12" (which will be the same direction), turn 180° again, and then continue to move forward 12". The robot should move in one direction, but do part of the trip moving backwards.
2. **Octagon** - Move a 12" octagon. Each turn is a 45° angle. Start and end in the same place and the same orientation.
3. **Equilateral Triangle** - Move in a 12" equilateral triangle. Start and end in the same place and the same orientation. An equilateral triangle has an inside angle of 60 degrees. Subtract that from 180 degrees to find out how far the robot should turn for each side.
4. **5-Point Star** - Trace a 5-point 12" star. Start and end at the same location and orientation. Look up the inside angle and subtract from 180 degrees.

Extra Credit Challenges

1. Modify the program to trace the outline of a pentagon.
2. Modify the program to trace the outline of a hexagon.

Assignment Submission

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Obstacle Avoidance with Warning and Random Turns (Look Out!) - Arduino

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

ultrasonic sensor

While Loop

A while loop is like the mBlock **repeat until** block. This loop keeps going until a condition is met.

In this example, the condition is **true**, the loop repeats forever.

```
while (true) {  
    // Your code here  
}
```

In the example program below, the keep away part of the program will continue to repeat until the set button is pressed. The program exits the loop. The mBot stops moving.

In this example the value of the ultrasonic sensor indicates the distance between mBot and the object in front of it. Given the threshold of 15cm, mBot will keep moving forward until its distance from the object is less than 15cm; the mBot will stop immediately when its distance from the object is less than 15cm.

Requirements

- The robot randomly turns left or right to avoid an obstacle and gives a visual warning.
- Test obstacle avoidance with your foot.

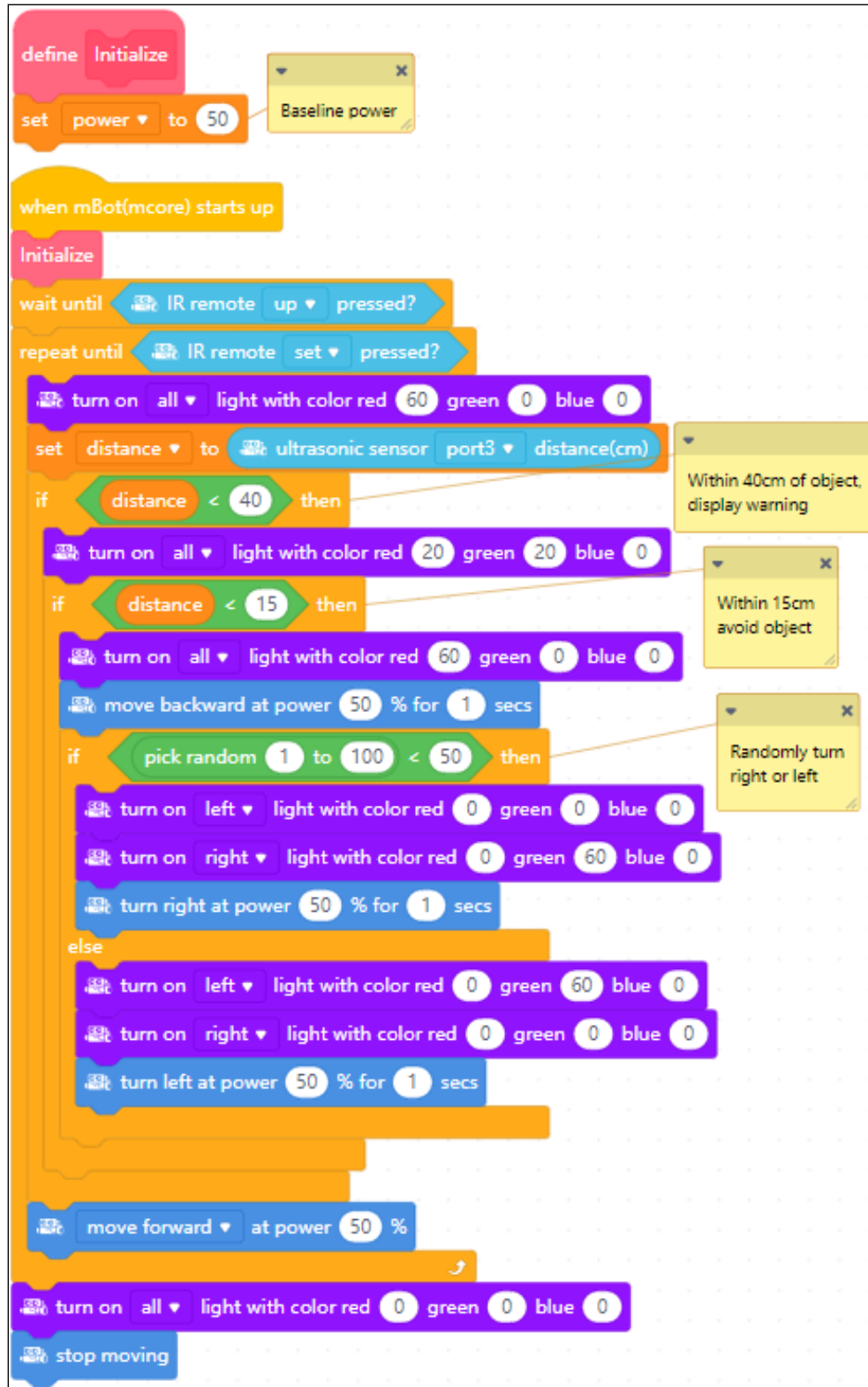
Assignment

1. Open Arduino **SimpleObstacleAvoidance**
2. Save the sketch as **ObstacleAvoidanceWithWarning**
3. The Arduino program **RandomLED's** will show how to do random numbers.

This pseudocode shows how to make a decision based on random numbers.

```
if(random(0, UPPER_RANDOM) < 50){  
|  turn right  
}else{  
|  turn left  
}
```

4. Complete and test the program with the requirements listed.
5. Use the following mBlock program as a starting point.



- Stop first, then play a sound when an object is detected.

- Experiment with the detection distance.

Assignment Submission

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Driving School Curves - Arduino

Time required: 90 minutes

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2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

libraries, functions

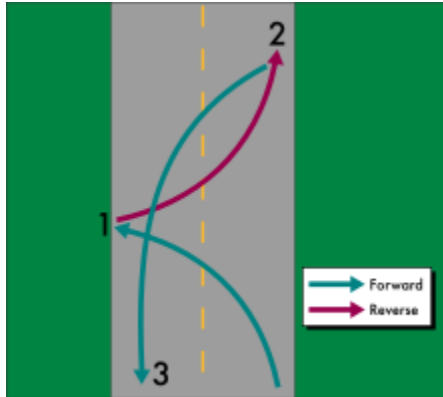
Charge your batteries. Calibrate your robot with the **CalibrateMovement** program.

Assignment

- Complete each program clockwise and counterclockwise.
- Use **Movement.h** for your movements.
- Add a **rightCircle** and **leftCircle** function to your Movement.h library.
HINT: Adjust the power of your left and right motors to create a left half circle function and right half circle function. Use these new functions to make your curved shapes.
- Assign each shape to a different remote control button.
- Add to the **DrivingSchool2** sketch. Save the sketch as **DrivingSchoolCurves**.

Requirements

1. **3-PointTurn** - Using 3 or more turns, make a 3-point turn, like a regular car. You don't have to do curves, you can use straight angles if you wish.



2. **Circle** - Trace the path of a circle that is 1 foot in diameter. It will start and end in the same location, and in the same orientation.
HINT: Adjust the power of your left and right motors to create a left half circle block and right half circle block. Put those together to make your curved shapes.
3. **S-Shape** - Trace two half-circles to create an S-shaped curve. Your robot will start and end in the same orientation, and the two half-circles will be the same size.
4. **Figure-8** - Move in a figure-8 shape. You did this in an earlier assignment.



Assignment Submission

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Smart Line Following - Arduino

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

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3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

line follower,

This sketch is based on the mBlock version. This version uses if, else if and nested if statements.

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **SmartLineFollowing**.
2. Copy the file **Movement.h** into the sketch folder.
3. Complete and test the program as shown with the requirements listed.

```
1 /**
2  @file    SmartLineFollowing.ino
3  @author  William A Loring
4  @version V1.0.0
5  @date    Revised: 10/06/17 Created: 12/10/2016
6  @Description: Smart line following
7  Turn left or right to follow the line.
8  If the line is lost when turning, keep turning in the same direction
9  */
10 #include <MeMCore.h>
11 #include "Movement.h"
12 // Setup mBot hardware
13 MeIR ir;          // Setup IR Remote object
14 MeBuzzer buzzer;  // Setup Buzzer object
15 MeLineFollower lineFinder(PORT_2); // Setup LineFollower object
16 MeRGBLed led(0, 30); // Setup led object
17 bool turningLeft = true; // Store the state of turning left or not
18 int sensorState; // Store line follower sensor reading
19
20 void setup() {
21     led.setpin(13); // Set the pin for the led
22     ir.begin(); // Begin listening for the ir remote
23 }
24
25 void loop() {
26     if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
27         followLine();
28     }
29 }
```

```

31 //-----
32 // followLine function
33 void followLine() {
34     while (true) {
35         // Read line follower sensors
36         sensorState = lineFinder.readSensors();
37
38         // Both on line, go straight ahead
39         if (sensorState == S1_IN_S2_IN) {
40             forward();
41             led.setColorAt(1, 0, 0, 0); //Set LED1 (LeftSide)
42             led.setColorAt(0, 0, 0, 0); //Set LED0 (RightSide)
43             led.show();
44
45             // Right off line, turn left
46         } else if (sensorState == S1_IN_S2_OUT) {
47             left();
48             led.setColorAt(1, 0, 60, 0); //Set LED1 (LeftSide)
49             led.setColorAt(0, 0, 0, 0); //Set LED0 (RightSide)
50             led.show();
51             turningLeft = true; // Track that the robot is turning left
52
53             // Left off line, turn right
54         } else if (sensorState == S1_OUT_S2_IN) {
55             right();
56             led.setColorAt(1, 0, 0, 0); //Set LED1 (LeftSide)
57             led.setColorAt(0, 0, 60, 0); //Set LED0 (RightSide)
58             led.show();
59             turningLeft = false; // Track that the robot is turning right
60
61             // Both off line, keep turning in the same direction
62         } else if (sensorState == S1_OUT_S2_OUT) {
63
64             // A nested if statement
65             // Keep turning left if already turning left
66             if (turningLeft == true) {
67                 left();
68                 led.setColorAt(1, 60, 0, 0); //Set LED1 (LeftSide)
69                 led.setColorAt(0, 0, 0, 0); //Set LED0 (RightSide)
70                 led.show();

```

```
71
72     // Keep turning right if already turning right
73 } else {
74     right();
75     led.setColorAt(1, 0, 0, 0); //Set LED1 (LeftSide)
76     led.setColorAt(0, 60, 0, 0); //Set LED0 (RightSide)
77     led.show();
78 }
79 }
80 }
81 }
```

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Smooth Line Following - Arduino

Time required: 60 minutes

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1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

line follower

Tutorial Assignment

1. Save **SmartLineFollowing** as **SmoothLineFollowing**.
2. Look at your mBlock Smart Line Following program. Try to make the line following smoother and able to follow sharper turns. Try a car turn. Don't go below 70 for power. Try reducing one side speed and increasing the other. Try speeding up when you are going straight.
3. Add different left turn, right turn, and forward function with different names. Start with the code from left, right, and forward. Change those functions to optimize the line following for speed and accuracy.

Assignment Submission

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Smart Obstacle Avoidance - Arduino

Time required: 90 minutes

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3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

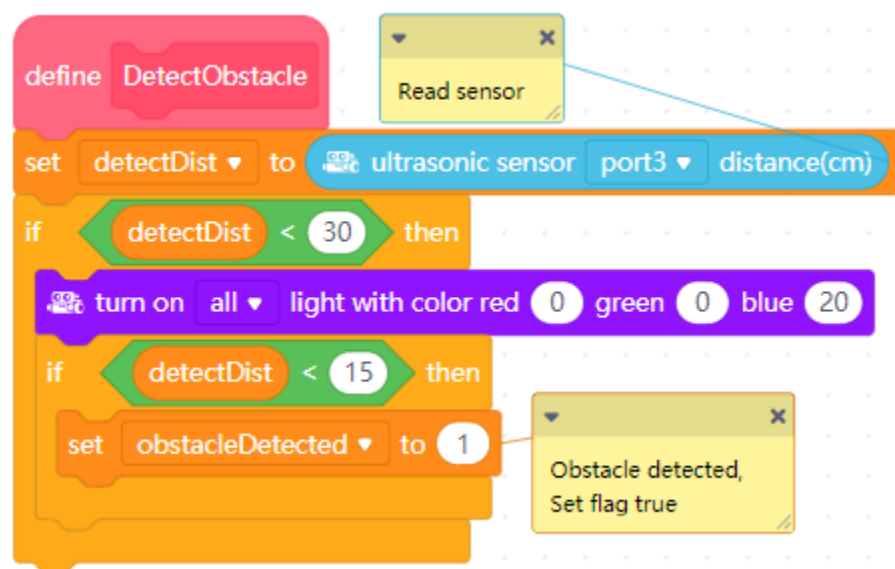
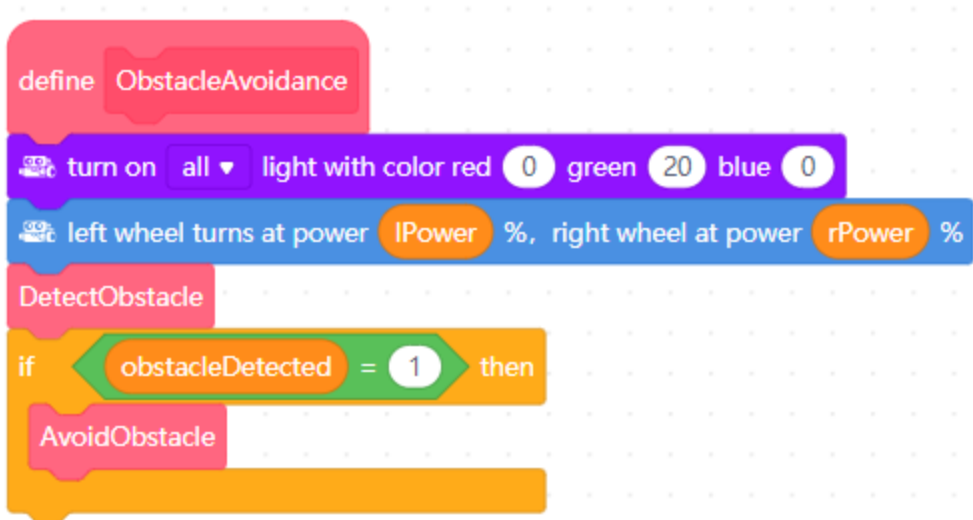
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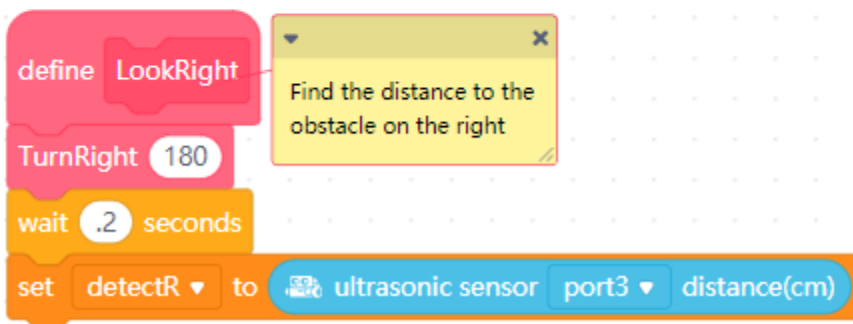
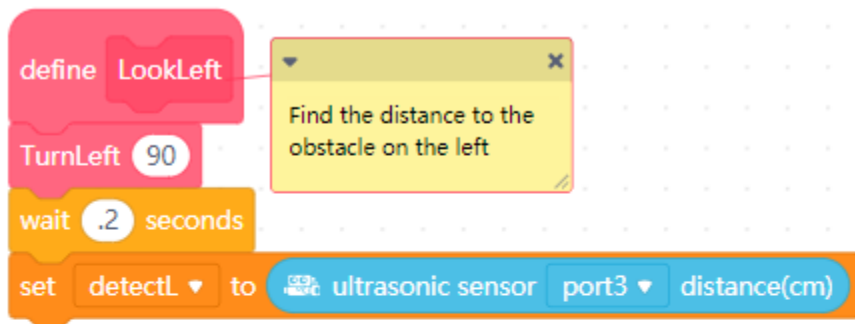
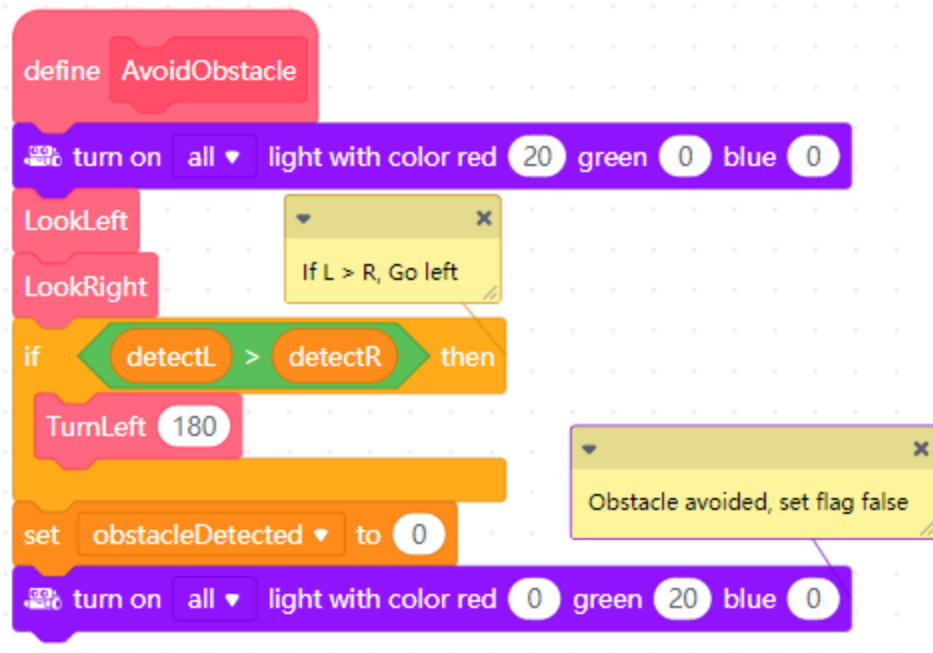
Requirements

- Open the **SimpleObstacleAvoidance** sketch and save it as **SmartObstacleAvoidance**.
- Use the shape of the mBlock version of this program to guide your coding.
- Avoid obstacles by looking left, then right, then turning in the direction with the longest distance.
- Use the following obstacle detection functions from the mBlock Obstacle Avoidance with Smart Turns as examples.
 - `obstacleAvoidance()`
 - `detectObstacle()`
 - `avoidObstacle()`
 - `lookLeft()`
 - `lookRight()`
- Create a **boolean** variable **isObstacleDetected** to track whether there is an obstacle or not. Use **isObstacleDetected = true** or **isObstacleDetected = false**

```
bool isObstacleDetected = false;
```

- Include **Movement.h**





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mBot Music Dance Party! Arduino

Time required: 60 minutes

The mBot can appear to be playing a song and moving at the same time. It looks like the mBot is dancing to the music. You will want a catchy song.

Here is a web site to get you started with a known song. <https://noobnotes.net>

Requirements

- Add this to your Arduino Default Program. Save it as **Default_Program_Dance_Party**.
- You will want to use **notes.h** and your **movement.h** file.
- Spin in circles, wiggle back and forth, make turns, move forward and backward, etc.
- **Movement function without a parameter:** The music will keep playing while the mBot moves. The mBot will keep moving until you change to another movement or stop.
- **Movement function with a parameter:** The music will stop and wait until the movement is complete.
- **Slow song:** If you use a slow song, it can have more movements changes per number of notes played.
- **Fast song:** If you use a fast song, it would have less movement changes per the number of notes played.
- You do not have to do the whole song, just a part of it.
- The music dance party should last a minimum of 15 seconds.
- Comment your code. Please put the name of the song in the comments.

Examples

Be creative: Find your own song and your own path!

- [11/19/18 I wish you a merry mBot Christmas from Andrew](#)
- [11/19/18 4 mBots moving and playing Mario!](#)

```
//-----
// Music Dance Party function Imperial March
// This is a slow song, it can have more movements changes per number of notes played
// A fast song would need less movement changes per the number of notes played
//-----
void musicDanceParty() {
  if (modeFlag == 4) {
    delay(1000);
    forward();
    playNote(noteA4, HN);
    playNote(noteA4, HN);
    left();
    playNote(noteA4, HN);
    playNote(noteF4, EN3);
    playNote(noteC5, EN);
    right();
    playNote(noteA4, HN);
    playNote(noteF4, EN3);
    playNote(noteC5, EN);
    right();
    playNote(noteA4, HN);
    stop();
    modeFlag = 0;          // Stop the dance party, return to remote control
  }
}
```

Assignment Submission

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State Machine (Flags) Arduino

Time required: 60 minutes

Arduino assignment

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3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

This program demonstrates how to store the state of the machine (mBot) in a flag variable. Flags are a way of keeping track of the state or history of a robot. The robot can then access that history and decide based on that history. Flags allow for fast switching and checking of task states. Checking a flag is a common Arduino practice for modular programming.

In this program, we are changing modes, which allows the remote buttons to be reused for other code blocks. This is how the default program that came with the mBot works. When the mBot is in **ModeA**, you can set remote button actions in that code block. Switch to **ModeB**, the buttons can have other actions in that code block.

How it Works

1. The **ModeFlag** is set to 0 in the Initialize block, the **ModeA** code block is active.
2. The forever loop checks for a remote key press in the **SetMode** block.
3. The **SetMode** block changes the **ModeFlag** to 1.
4. The **ModeA and ModeB** code blocks keep testing for a ModeFlag change. When **ModeB** sees the **ModeFlag** 1, it executes and **ModeA** stops.
5. When **SetMode** changes the **Modeflag** to 0, we go back to **ModeA**.

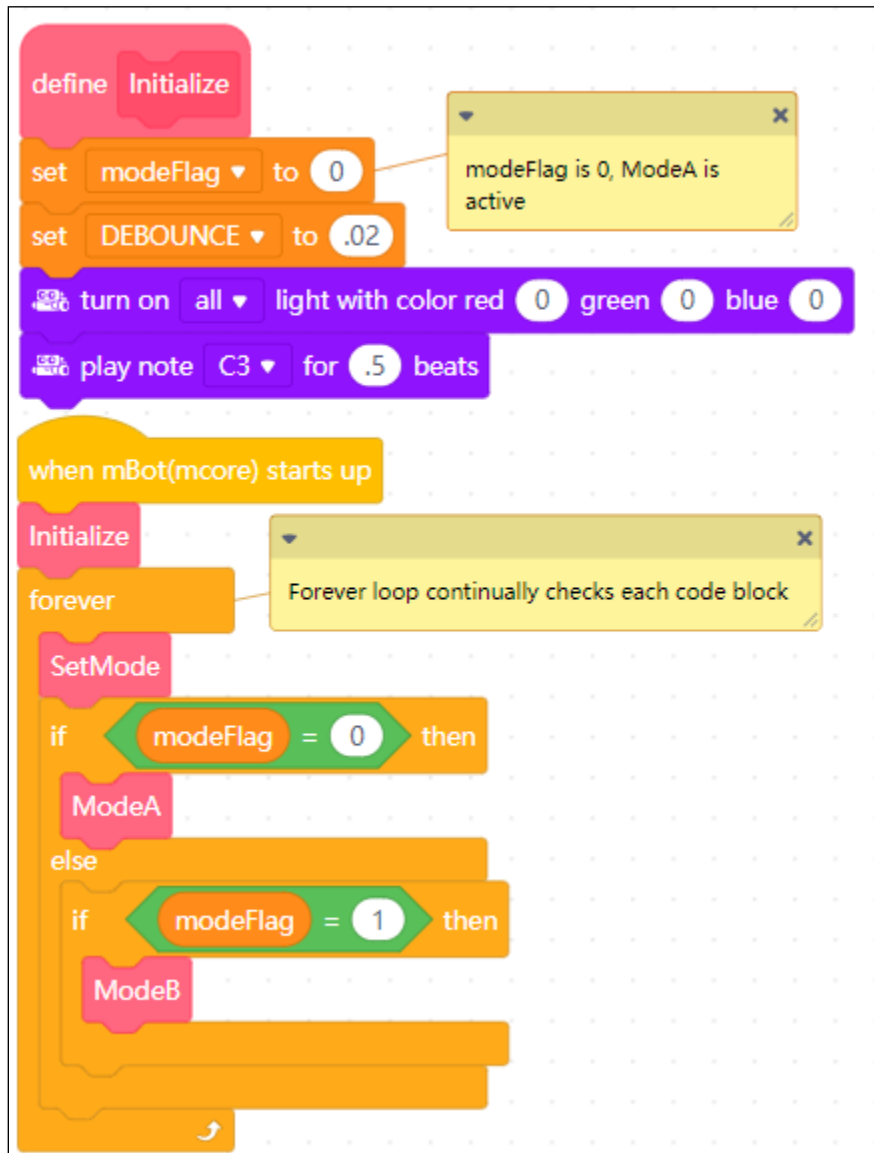
Requirements

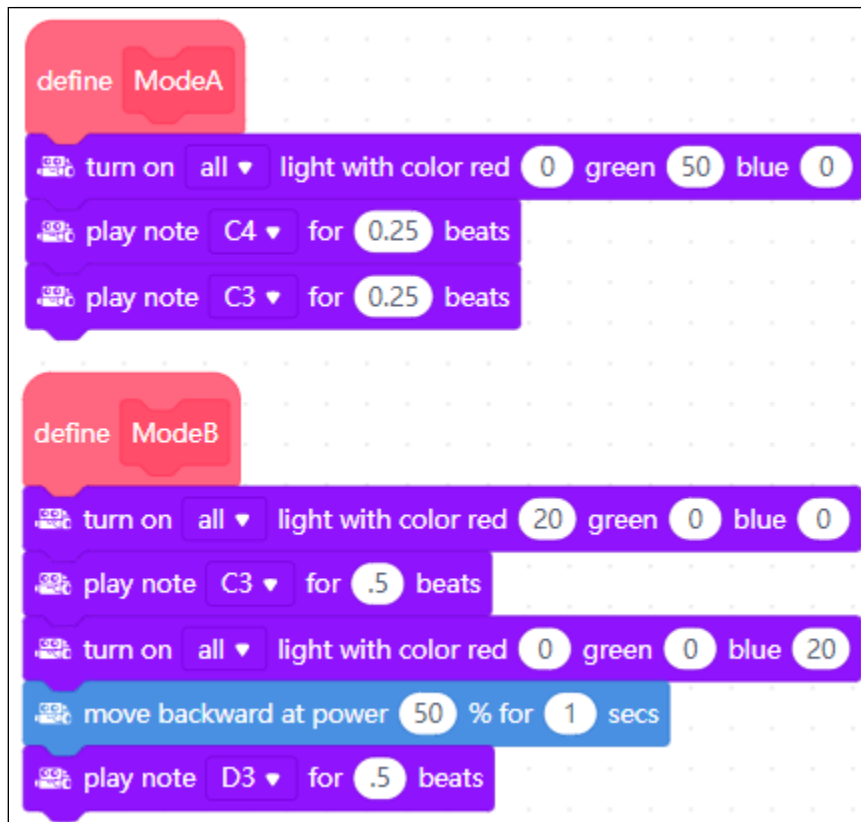
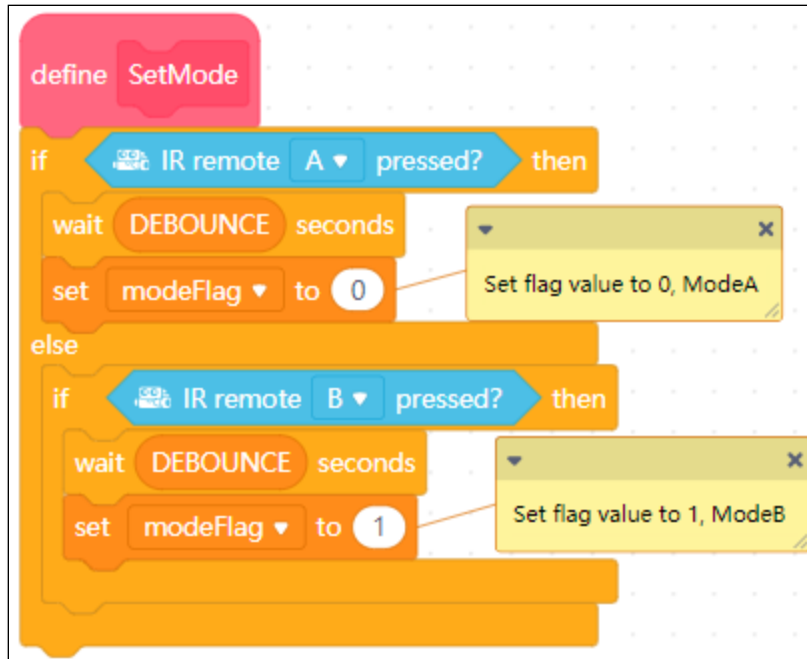
Create and test the program.

Tutorial Assignment

1. In the Arduino IDE, save the sketch as **StateMachine**.

2. Use the mBlock program shown to show the shape of what your Arduino program will be.
3. Complete and test the program with the requirements listed.
4. Set **const int DEBOUNCE = 200;**





Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

- Add **ModeC** to the program. The Flag value would be 2.
- Have **ModeC** do something else.

Assignment Submission

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Default Program 1: Remote Control - Arduino

Time required: 120 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

functions

Tutorial Assignment

Let's begin building the mBot default program in Arduino starting with remote control.

1. Open the **DrivingSchool2** program and save it as **DefaultProgram1**.
2. The **Movement.h** file should still be in the program folder.
3. Include the **notes.h** file in the sketch folder. Use this for audio feedback for the sketch.
4. Complete and test the program with the requirements listed.

Requirements

- Base your mode switching on your mBlock Default program.
- Add the necessary variables. For example, **int modeFlag = 0;** to track the mode in the main sketch.
- Create the **setMode**, **remoteControl**, **setSpeed**, and **speedSet** functions in the main sketch.
- Add the changes shown in the **Movement.h** file.
- Add the **playNote** function from previous Arduino programs to the main sketch. This allows you to easily add audio feedback.


```

1  /**
2   @file    DefaultProgram1.ino
3   @author  William A Loring
4   @version V1.0.0
5   @date    revised 11/13/2020   created: 12/10/16
6   @Description: Part 1 of mBot Default Program, remote control
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h>      // Include mBot library
9  #include "Movement.h"     // Include custom Movement function library
10 #include "notes.h"        // Include notes library for ease of creating sounds
11 MeIR ir;                  // Create ir remote object
12 MeBuzzer buzzer;          // Create buzzer object
13 MeRGBLed led(0, 30);      // Create onboard LED object
14 int modeFlag = 0;         // Flag to track the state of robot Mode
15 const int DEBOUNCE = 50;  // Time it takes to debounce the ir remote keys
16
17 void setup() {
18     ir.begin();            // Start listening to the remote
19     led.setpin(13);        // Set the Arduino pin for the led's
20     initialize();          // Play initialization sounds and show LED's
21 }
22
23 void loop() {
24     setMode();             // Check ir remote for mode setting
25     // If button A is pressed, remote control mode
26     if (modeFlag == 0) {
27         // Check for modeFlag set to 0 for Remote control operation if Button A is pressed
28         remoteControl();
29     }
30 }
31
32 //-----
33 // Determine the robot's mode of operation, A or modeFlag 0 - Remote Control is default
34 //-----
35 void setMode() {
36     // Determine which remote button was pressed
37     if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_A)) {
38         delay(DEBOUNCE);
39         modeFlag = 0;      // Set Mode A, Remote Control
40         playNote(noteC4, HN); // Play note to indicate mode change
41     }
42 }
43

```

```

45 //-----
46 // Remote Control functions
47 //-----
48 void remoteControl() {
49     // Set the speed of the mBot
50     setSpeed();
51     if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_UP)) {
52         delay(REMOTE_DEBOUNCE);
53         forward();           // Move forward
54         led.setColor(0, 30, 0); // Set both LED to Green
55         led.show();
56     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_DOWN)) {
57         delay(REMOTE_DEBOUNCE);
58         reverse();           // Move backwards
59         led.setColor(30, 0, 0); // Set both LED to Red
60         led.show();
61     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_LEFT)) {
62         delay(REMOTE_DEBOUNCE);
63         left();
64         led.setColorAt(1, 0, 30, 0); // Set Left LED to Green
65         led.setColorAt(0, 0, 0, 0); // Set Right LED off
66         led.show();
67     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_RIGHT)) {
68         delay(REMOTE_DEBOUNCE);
69         right();
70         led.setColorAt(1, 0, 0, 0); // Set Left LED off
71         led.setColorAt(0, 0, 30, 0); // Set Right LED to Green
72         led.show();
73     } else {
74         delay(DEBOUNCE); // Longer delay for remote control to work
75         stop();
76         led.setColor(0, 0, 0); // Set both LED's off
77         led.show();
78     }
79 }

```

```

82 //-----
83 // Set the robot's speed using the number on the remote control
84 //-----
85 void setSpeed() {
86     if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_0)) {
87         // Call the speedSet function with percent of power and the note played
88         speedSet(100, noteC5);
89     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_1)) {
90         speedSet(25, noteA3);
91     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_2)) {
92         speedSet(30, noteB3);
93     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_3)) {
94         speedSet(35, noteC4);
95     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_4)) {
96         speedSet(40, noteD4);
97     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_5)) {
98         speedSet(50, noteE4);
99     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_6)) {
100        speedSet(60, noteF4);
101    } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_7)) {
102        speedSet(70, noteG4);
103    } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_8)) {
104        speedSet(80, noteA4);
105    } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_9)) {
106        speedSet(90, noteB4);
107    }
108 }

```

```

110 //-----
111 // Set speed function with notes
112 void speedSet(int speedInc, int notes) {
113     int power = 0;
114     delay(DEBOUNCE);
115     power = SPEED_FACTOR * speedInc;
116     setPower(power);
117     playNote(notes, HN);
118 }
119
120 //-----
121 void playNote(int note, int duration)
122 // This custom function takes two parameters, note and duration to make playing songs easier
123 // Each of the notes have been #defined in the notes.h file. The notes are broken down by
124 // octave and sharp (s) / flat (b).
125 {
126     buzzer.tone(note, duration);
127 }
128
129 void initialize() {
130     // Play initialization notes and led's
131     delay(DEBOUNCE);
132     led.setColor(30, 0, 0); // Set both LED to Red
133     led.show();
134     playNote(noteC4, HN);
135     led.setColor(0, 0, 30); // Set both LED to Blue
136     led.show();
137     delay(50);
138     playNote(noteD4, HN);
139     delay(50);
140     playNote(noteD4, HN);
141     led.setColor(30, 0, 0); // Set both LED to Green
142     led.show();
143     playNote(noteE4, QN);
144     delay(50);
145     playNote(noteE4, QN);
146     delay(50);
147     playNote(noteE4, QN);
148     led.setColor(0, 0, 0); // Turn both LED's off
149     led.show();
150 }

```

Movement.h

```
1  /**
2   | @file    Movement.h
3   | @author  William A Loring
4   | @version V1.0.0
5   | @date   Revised 10/30/20   Created: 12/07/17
6   | @Description: Portable mBot movement with methods library file
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
9  // Create motor control objects
10 MeDCMotor MotorL(M1); // MotorL is Left Motor
11 MeDCMotor MotorR(M2); // MotorL is Right Motor
12 const int POWER = 127; // Base power setting
13 const float COMP = 1.0; // Compensation to make the robot drive straight
14 // Apply compensation to left motor
15 // Use round function to convert float result to integer
16 int lPower = round(POWER * COMP);
17 int rPower = POWER;
18 const int TURN_TIME = 530; // Time in milliseconds to turn 90 degrees right
19 const int DRIVE_TIME = 5400; // Time in milliseconds to go 48"
20 const int DISTANCE = 48; // 48"
21 // Calculate inches per second
22 // (float) converts the integer DISTANCE to a float,
23 // otherwise there would be integer math
24 float inchPerSec = (float)DISTANCE / DRIVE_TIME;
25 // Set to this number for maximum speed to go straight with COMP
26 const float SPEED_FACTOR = 2.42; // Constant to change speed with remote
27
28 //-----
29 // Reset power variables for remote speed control
30 void setPower(int pwr) {
31     // Use round function from math.h to convert float result to integer
32     lPower = round(pwr * COMP); // Apply compensation to left motor
33     rPower = pwr; // Set right motor power
34 }
35
36 //-----
37 // Stop function: because this function is called in other functions,
38 // it has to be first
39 void stop() {
40     MotorL.stop(); // Stop MotorL
41     MotorR.stop(); // Stop MotorR
42 }
```

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44 //-----
45 // Forward function for remote and line following
46 void forward() {
47     MotorL.run(-lPower); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
48     MotorR.run(+rPower); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
49 }
50
51 //-----
52 // Reverse function for remote and line following
53 void reverse() {
54     MotorL.run(+lPower); // MotorL (Left) reverse is +positive
55     MotorR.run(-rPower); // MotorR (Right) reverse is -negative
56 }
57
58 //-----
59 // Left turn function for remote and line following
60 void left() {
61     MotorL.run(+lPower); // MotorL (Left) reverse is +positive
62     MotorR.run(+rPower); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
63 }
64
65 //-----
66 // Right turn function for remote and line following
67 void right() {
68     MotorL.run(-lPower); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
69     MotorR.run(-rPower); // MotorR (Right) reverse is -negative
70 }

```

```

72 //-----
73 // Forward function with distance in inches argument
74 void forwardInches(int distance) {
75     float drvTime; // Time it takes to drive a certain distance
76     drvTime = distance / inchPerSec; // Calculate drive time in milliseconds
77     MotorL.run(-lPower); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
78     MotorR.run(+rPower); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
79     delay(drvTime); // Drive certain number of inches based on avgSpeed
80     stop(); // Stop Motors
81 }
82
83 //-----
84 // Reverse function with distance in inches argument
85 void reverseInches(int distance) {
86     float drvTime; // Time it takes to drive a certain distance
87     drvTime = distance / inchPerSec; // Calculate drive time in milliseconds
88     MotorL.run(+lPower); // MotorL (Left) reverse is +positive
89     MotorR.run(-rPower); // MotorR (Right) reverse is -negative
90     delay(drvTime); // Drive certain number of inches based on avgSpeed
91     stop(); // Stop Motors
92 }
93
94 //-----
95 // Left turn function with degrees of turn argument
96 void leftTurnDegrees(int degrees) {
97     float drvTime; // Time it takes to drive certain distance
98     drvTime = (degrees / 90.0) * TURN_TIME; // Calculate turn time for degrees
99     MotorL.run(+lPower); // MotorL (Left) reverse is +positive
100    MotorR.run(+rPower); // MotorR (Right) forward is +positive
101    delay(drvTime); // Turn number of degrees based on time
102    stop(); // Stop Motors
103 }
104
105 //-----
106 // Right turn function with degrees of turn argument
107 void rightTurnDegrees(int degrees) {
108     float drvTime; // Time it takes to drive a certain distance
109     drvTime = (degrees / 90.0) * TURN_TIME; // Calculate turn time for degrees
110     MotorL.run(-lPower); // MotorL (Left) forward is -negative
111     MotorR.run(-rPower); // MotorR (Right) reverse is -negative
112     delay(drvTime); // Turn number of degrees based on time
113     stop(); // Stop Motors
114 }

```

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Default Program 2: Smart Obstacle Avoidance - Arduino

Time required: 120 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

ultrasonic sensor

Add Smart Obstacle Avoidance to the mBot default program in Arduino.

Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Open **DefaultProgram1** and save it as **DefaultProgram2**.
2. Add the appropriate code from the **SmartObstacleAvoidance** program to the default program. You should be able to copy and paste some of the code.
3. Add an if else statement to access the B button as shown below.
4. Use the **ObstacleAvoidance()** function to catch the mode change.
5. Remove the **while (true)** loop from the ObstacleAvoidance() function.
6. **NOTE:** Remove the led code from the **ObstacleAvoidance** function. For some reason you can't change to another mode with led code in the mode change function.
7. Modify the **Movement.h** file if necessary.
8. Complete and test the program with the requirements listed.

Requirements

- Test the obstacle avoidance.
- Button A: Remote Control
- Button B: Smart Obstacle Avoidance

```

18 MeUltrasonicSensor ultrasonic(PORT_3); // Setup the ultrasonic sensor object
19 int sensorState; // Store ultrasonic sensor reading
20 int DetectL; // LookLeft sensor reading
21 int DetectR; // LookRight sensor reading
22 bool ObstacleDetected = false; // Is there an obstacle ahead or not?
23
24 void setup() {
25     ir.begin(); // Start listening to the remote
26     led.setpin(13); // Set the Arduino pin for the led's
27     Init(); // Play initialization sounds and show LED's
28 }
29
30 void loop() {
31     SetMode(); // Check ir remote for mode setting
32     RemoteControl(); // Check for modeFlag set to 0 for Remote control if Button A is pressed
33     ObstacleAvoidance(); // Check for modeFlag set to 1 for Obstacle avoidance if Button B is pressed
34 }
35
36 //-----
37 // Determine the robot's mode of operation, A or modeFlag 0 - Remote Control is default
38 //-----
39 void SetMode() {
40     // Determine which remote button was pressed
41     if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_A)) {
42         delay(DEBOUNCE);
43         modeFlag = 0; // Set Mode A, Remote Control
44         playNote(noteC4, HN); // Play note to indicate mode change
45     } else if (ir.keyPressed(IR_BUTTON_B)) {
46         delay(DEBOUNCE);
47         modeFlag = 1; // Set Mode B, Obstacle Avoidance
48         playNote(noteD4, HN); // Play note to indicate mode change
49     }
50 }
51

```

Assignment Submission

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Default Program 3: Smooth Line Following - Arduino

Time required: 120 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

line follower

Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Open **DefaultProgram2** and save it as **DefaultProgram3**.
2. Add the **SmoothLineFollowing** program to the mBot default program in Arduino.
You should be able to copy and paste some of the code.

NOTE: Remove the led calls from the **SmoothLineFollowing** function, these interfere with the ability to change modes.

3. Modify the **Movement.h** file if necessary.
4. Complete and test the program with the requirements listed.

Requirements

- Button A: Remote Control
- Button B: Smart Obstacle Avoidance
- Button C: Smooth Line Following

Assignment Submission

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Default Program 4: Maze Solving - Arduino

Time required: 180 minutes

Requirements

- Button A: Remote Control
- Button B: Smart Obstacle Avoidance
- Button C: Smooth Line Following
- Button D: Maze Solving

The mBot is not an accurate robot. To maintain accuracy, some type of outside reference is needed. This maze solving program uses line following as an outside reference to keep the mBot driving straight. Smart Obstacle Avoidance is used to navigate and solve the maze.

We will combine line following and obstacle avoidance to successfully navigate a maze. The maze has walls and black tape. By switching back and forth between obstacle avoidance and line following, you can navigate the maze. This project shows how to go back and forth between two sensor inputs.

Build a Maze

Your maze does not have to be complex.

You can make a simple maze similar to what we used in class with boxes for the walls, and some sort of black tape for the line following. 3M Expressions Washi tape, Automotive cloth wiring harness tape, or electrical tape works.

You can use the paper line following track and your hand as a temporary obstacle.

The maze does not have to be big. You just need a line for the mBot to follow and an obstacle.

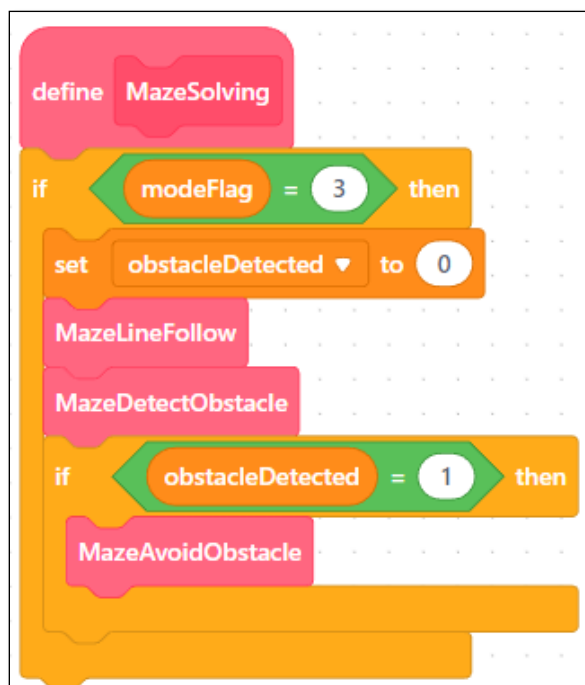
You want to demonstrate that you are following the line and avoiding an obstacle at the same time.

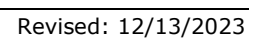
- The source of the idea and a video showing the maze that is used in class.
<https://www.thingiverse.com/thing:1169585>
- <https://youtu.be/rhM6JyZMujE> (An in class video of 3 mBots solving the maze.)
- <https://youtu.be/OvEOZGEdGLM> (Another mBot solving the maze.)

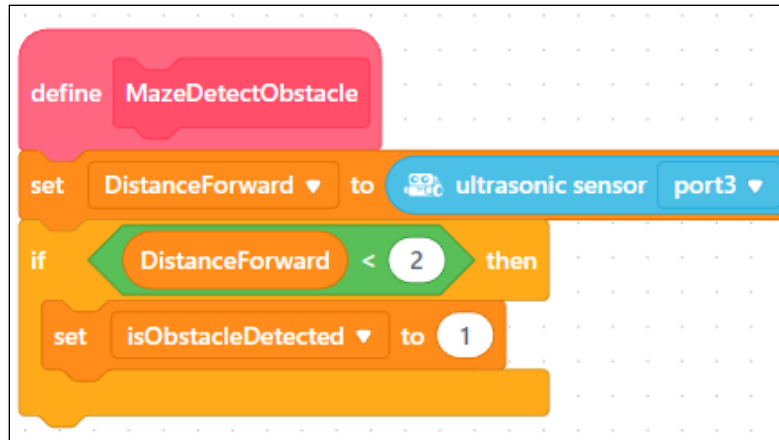
HINT: The mBot ultrasonic sensor distance should stop the robot on the line or just past it before it looks right and left for distance. When it starts looking for the line, it can easily find it.

Requirements

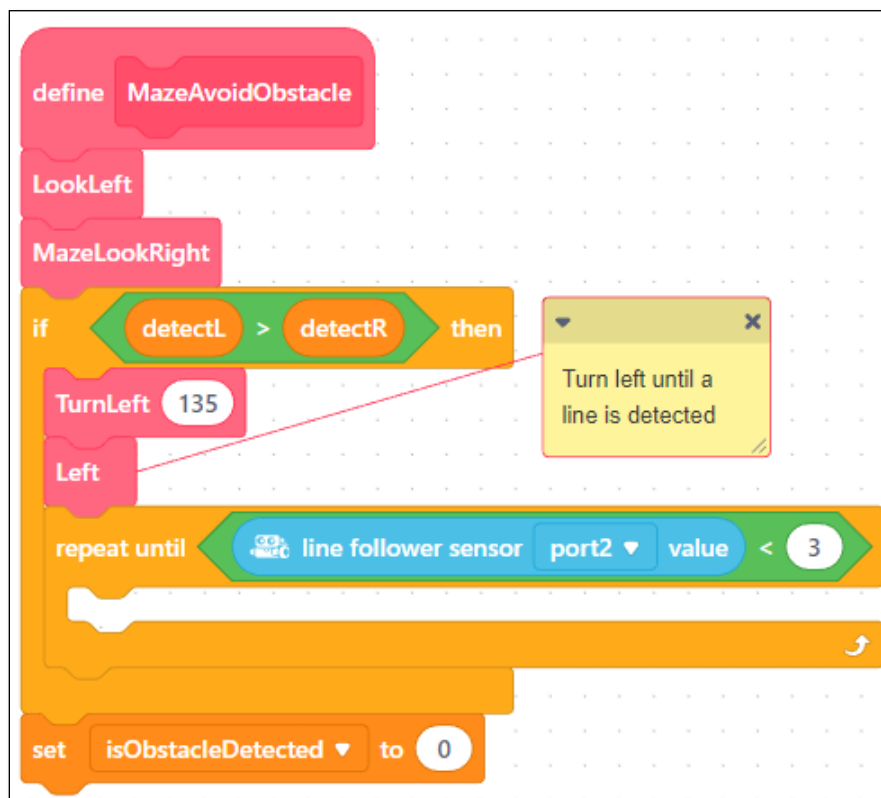
- Start the Arduino IDE. Open **DefaultProgram3** and save it as **DefaultProgram4**.
- Add a **MazeSolving** function with the ir remote button D to activate it. Use the same techniques as previous default programs to add this block to the remote control.
- The **MazeSolving** function will have two functions in it
 - **MazeLineFollow()**
 - **MazeObstacle()**
- **MazeLineFollow** block is a modified duplicate of the **LineFollowing** block.
- **MazeObstacle** is a modified duplicate of **ObstacleAvoidance**.
- The mBot will switch from following the line and avoiding the walls of the maze.
- Find the line again after your robot senses an obstacle. There is new code that turns the robot until it detects the line.
- A mBlock version is shown to give you some ideas on how to solve this problem.







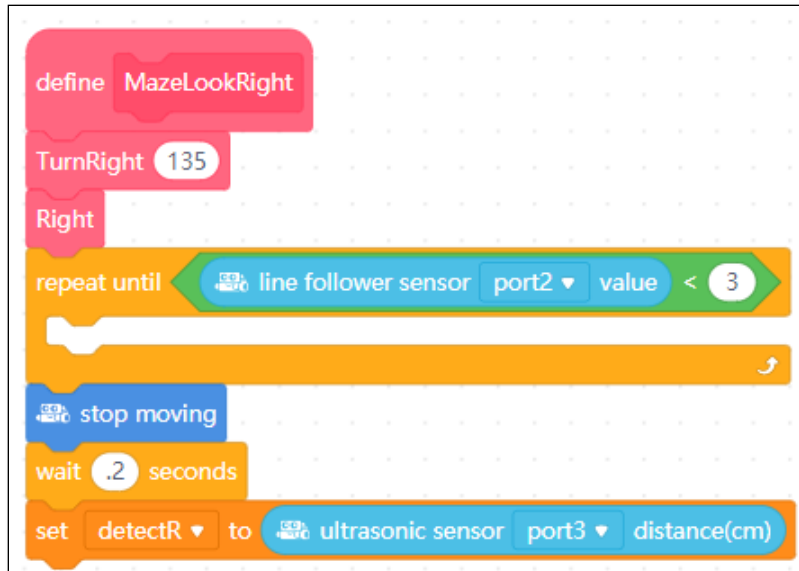
The detection distance for the in class maze is 2 inches. You will want to adjust your detection distance for your maze.



Using Lines to Make Accurate Turns

This is the part of the program that uses the lines to make more accurate turns.

MazeAvoidObstacle starts with **LookLeft**. This is the same LookLeft we have used previously. Turn left 90 degrees, take a reading with the Ultrasonic Sensor.

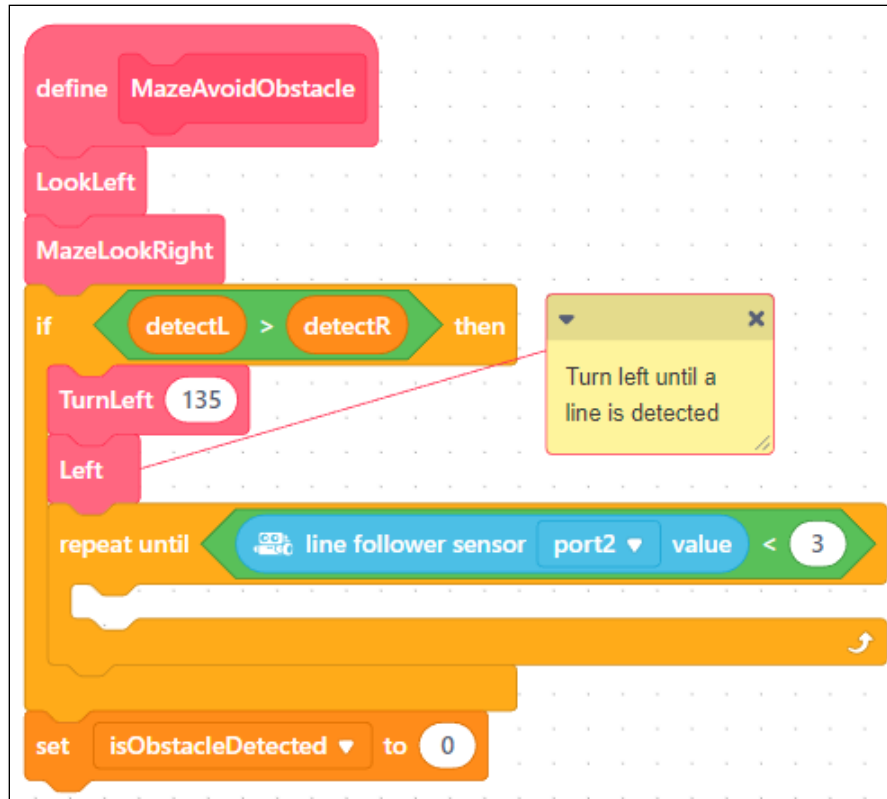


Instead of turning 180 degrees, **MazeLookRight** turns part way to 135 degrees. The robot then turns right until the line follower detects a line. When the line follower reads 3, that means that it is off the line, as anything less than 3 means that it detected a line. The robot keeps turning right until the line follower detects a line.

Repeat Until Linefollower Arduino Code

```
sensorState = lineFinder.readSensors();  
while(sensorState > 2){  
    sensorState = lineFinder.readSensors();  
}
```

The same turning logic is used to turn left, turn part way, then keep turning until the line follower detects the line.



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Default Program 5: Shake that Bot! - Arduino

Time required: 120 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Requirements

- Button A: Remote Control
- Button B: Look Left Look Right Obstacle Avoidance (Obstacle Course)
- Button C: Smooth Line Following
- Button D: Maze Solving
- Button E: Shake that Bot

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

libraries, functions

The mBot can appear to be playing a song and moving at the same time. It looks like the mBot is dancing to the music. You will want a catchy song.

Here is a web site to get you started with a known song. <https://noobnotes.net>

Requirements

- Add this to your Arduino Default Program4. Save it as **DefaultProgram5**
- Use **notes.h** and **Movement.h**
- Spin in circles, wiggle back and forth, make turns, move forward and backward, etc.
- **Slow song:** If you use a slow song, it can have more movements changes per number of notes played.
- **Fast song:** If you use a fast song, it would have less movement changes per the number of notes played.

- You do not have to do the whole song, just a part of it.
- The music dance party should last a minimum of 15 seconds.
- Comment your code. Please put the name of the song in the comments.

Examples

Be creative: Find your own song and your own path!

- [11/19/2018 I wish you a merry mBot Christmas from Andrew](#)
- [11/19/2018 4 mBots moving and playing Mario!](#)

Notice the **modeFlag = 0;** at the end of the function. The mBot will go through the dance once, then go to remote control.

```
//-----
// Music Dance Party function Imperial March
// This is a slow song, it can have more movements changes per number of notes played
// A fast song would need less movement changes per the number of notes played
//-----
void musicDanceParty() {
  if (modeFlag == 4) {
    delay(1000);
    forward();
    playNote(noteA4, HN);
    playNote(noteA4, HN);
    left();
    playNote(noteA4, HN);
    playNote(noteF4, EN3);
    playNote(noteC5, EN);
    right();
    playNote(noteA4, HN);
    playNote(noteF4, EN3);
    playNote(noteC5, EN);
    right();
    playNote(noteA4, HN);
    stop();
    modeFlag = 0;          // Stop the dance party, return to remote control
  }
}
```

Assignment Submission

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SOS (LED's and Arrays)

Time required: 30 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Understanding

Demonstrate understanding of:

arrays

A variable stores only a single value. Arrays store more than one instance of a variable, they store a list of variables/values. Please go to the following web site to learn more about arrays.

<https://startingelectronics.org/software/arduino/learn-to-program-course/17-arrays/>

Tutorial Assignment

1. Start the Arduino IDE. Save the sketch as **SOS**.
2. Complete and test the program as pictured with the requirements listed.

Requirements

1. Complete and successfully run the program as displayed.
2. Comment your code.

Assignment

Start with your tutorial project and add the following.

1. Add or just use the buzzer to send an SOS or a different sound.

```

1 /**
2  @file    SOS.ino
3  @author  William A Loring
4  @version V1.0.0
5  @date revised 06/07/2017  created: 12/17/16
6  @Description: LED's and arrays
7  */
8  #include <MeMCore.h> // Include mBot library
9  // Initialize global variables
10 MeRGBLed led(0, 30); // Setup the onboard LED object
11 // Array of integers for SOS durations in morse code
12 const int DURATIONS[] = {200, 200, 200, 500, 500, 500, 200, 200, 200};
13
14 // Initialization code, only runs once
15 void setup() {
16   led.setpin(13); // Set the pin to access the onboard LED's
17 }
18
19 // Loop forever
20 void loop() {
21   for (int i = 0; i < 9; i++) { // Step through the array 0-8
22     flash(DURATIONS[i]); // Call the flash function with the durations values from the array
23   }
24   delay(1000);
25 }
26
27 // Function to blink Led's in SOS
28 void flash(int delayTime)
29 {
30   led.setColor(60, 0, 0); // Set both LED's to Red
31   led.show();             // Use .show() to make new color take effect.
32   delay(delayTime);       // Delay in milliseconds
33   led.setColor(0, 0, 0); // Set both LED's off
34   led.show();             // Use .show() to make new color take effect.
35   delay(delayTime);       // Delay in milliseconds
36 }

```

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mBot Synchronized Dance Party!

Working in teams of two or more, create a synchronized robot dance!

Requirements

- Use dead reckoning to create synchronized movement.
- Use Calibrate Movement get squared away.
- Break the movements into functions for easier troubleshooting.

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Obstacle Course

Time required: 60 minutes

Please read all the directions carefully before beginning the assignment.

1. Comment your code as shown in the tutorials and other code examples.
2. Follow all directions carefully and accurately.
3. Think of the directions as minimum requirements.

Use Arduino programming to successfully navigate an obstacle course by dead reckoning. Dead reckoning means to navigate without any outside input, like a sensor. A simple example: place an object, start the robot from a certain point, go around the object and return to the starting point.

Add this program to your last Default Program to navigate the Obstacle Course. This program includes the blocks that will drive your robot a certain distance and turn at a specific angle. You may want to include an if statement like the remote control block to control when it starts, and stops.

Requirements

1. Use CalibrateMovement to calibrate your robot.
2. Measure the distances and angles in the obstacle course.
3. Navigate without sensors.
4. There must be a minimum of three obstacles to navigate around and between.

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