

Programming assignment: Robot programming

Your solution to this programming assignment will form the basis of the conversation during the technical interview. Highlight what you are good at. If you feel certain parts could have been resolved better if you had more time, then comment on that too.

We ask you to deliver the solution in the same quality as you would provide a delivery to a customer. Please include a README file in your solution, with any steps necessary to run both the app and the test cases.

If you want to give us a bit more insight into your development process, please include your entire Git repository, so that we can follow your commit log and see how your solution came to be.

Feel free to use any framework and language you are comfortable with that you think is well suited for this task, but do not use any tools or third party code to implement any essential or major part of the assignment. Your solution should contain unit tests, at least for the most critical logic, using a test framework of your choice. If you have time and want to add more types of test cases, that's a plus.

We will look at all aspects of the code including things like formatting, commit messages, usage of language/framework features, architecture and error handling.

Task: Robot programming

Your task is to program the controller to a robot. It's a simple robot that can walk around in a room where the floor is represented as a number of fields in a wire mesh. Input is first two numbers, which tells the robot how big the room is:

5 7

Which means that the room is 5 fields wide and is 7 fields deep.

The size of the room follows two digits and one letter indicating the starting position of the robot and its orientation in space. For example:

3 3 N

Which means that the robot is in field (3, 3) and faces north. Subsequently, the robot receives a number of navigation commands in the form of characters. The following commands shall be implemented:

- L Turn left
- R Turn right
- F Walk forward

Example:

LFFRFRFRFF

If the robot walks outside of the room bounds an appropriate the program should exit with an error code.

After the last command is received, the robot must report which field it is in and what direction it is facing.

Example:

5 5 1 2 N RFRFFRFRF Report: 1 3 N 5 5 0 0 E RFLFFLRF Report: 3 1 E