

e-Yantra Robotics Competition (eYRC-2018)

Task 1 – Coding Standards

The following documentation and comment styles are to be used for the code submitted by the teams.

Replace all the **<Description>** tags from the comments below to add appropriate content for your application.

1. File Level Comments

Each user's code file should start with **File Level** comments in the format as follows:

```
/*  
*  
* Team Id: <Team Id>  
* Author List: <Name of the team members who worked on this function  
* (Comma separated eg. Name1, Name2)>  
* Filename: <Filename>  
* Theme: <Theme name -- Specific to eYRC>  
* Functions: <Comma separated list of Functions defined in this file>  
* Global Variables: <List of global variables defined in this file, None if no global  
* variables>  
*  
*/
```

2. Function Level Comments

Each function should have the following comment section before it :

```
/*  
*  
* Function Name: <Function Name>  
* Input: <Inputs (or Parameters) list with description if any>  
* Output: <Return value with description if any>  
* Logic: <Description of the function performed and the logic used  
* in the function>  
* Example Call: <Example of how to call this function>  
*  
*/
```

3. Variable Comments

In general the variable/function names should be descriptive enough to give a good idea of what the variable is used for.

For example, variable names like 'black_line_threshold_value', 'left_motor_turn_right' are preferable and makes your code readable. Variable names like 'a', 'b' and 'temp' are not acceptable variable names.

In some cases, variable names might require some description for which the following format can be used:

```
// Variable Name: Description of the variable and the range of expected values of the variable
```

4. Implementation Comments

In your implementation/actual code, you should have comments in tricky, non-obvious, interesting, or important parts of the code. The comments can be of the format as below:

```
// Describe what the code below is doing
```

An Illustrative Example:

We have provided sample comments in a rudimentary program that outputs the Fibonacci Series.

For more information on Fibonacci Series visit:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fibonacci_number.

Please note that this is not the complete and perfect example of generating Fibonacci Numbers but acts as a simple way to illustrate the coding style and comments explained above.

```
/*  
 *Team Id: 10000  
 *Author List: e-Yantra Team  
 *Filename: fibonacci.c  
 *Theme: Nutty Squirrel – eYRC Specific  
 *Functions: print_fibonacci_series(int) , main()  
 *Global Variables: NONE  
 */  
  
#include<stdio.h>  
  
/*  
 *Function Name: print_fibonacci_series  
 *Input: num_elements -> integer which stores the number of elements of  
 *the fibonacci series to be printed  
 *Output: prints the first num_elements of the fibonacci series  
 *Logic: The next element of the Fibonacci series is given by  
 *next = current_element + prev_element  
 *The code loops for num_elements and prints out the next  
 *element  
 *Example Call: print_fibonacci_series(10);  
 */
```

```
void print_fibonacci_series(int num_elements){ int first = 0, second = 1, next;
printf("First %d terms of Fibonacci series are :-\n", num_elements);
//counter: will iterate from 0 to (num_elements - 1)
for ( int counter = 0 ; counter < num_elements ; counter++ ) { if ( counter <= 1 )
next = counter; else {
//The next element is equal to the sum of the current element (second variable)and
the previous element (first variable)
next = first + second;
//first element becomes the second element and second element becomes the next
element for the next loop iteration
first = second; second = next;
}
printf("%d\n", next);
}
}
/*
*Function Name: main
*Input: None
*Output: int to inform the caller that the program exited correctly or
*incorrectly (C code standard)
*Logic: Ask the user to input the number of elements required from the
*Fibonacci Series and call the function print_fibonacci_series
*Example Call: Called automatically by the Operating System
*
*/
int main() {
int num_elements;
//Ask the user to input the number of elements requiredprintf("Enter the number of
terms\n"); scanf("%d",&num_elements);
//Call the function to print the first num_elements of the Fibonacci Series
print_fibonacci_series(num_elements); return 0;
}
```

```
/*
*Following a coding style might look to be tedious at first but is one of the
most important
*thing to be done while developing any piece of code. This ensures that it is
readable so
*that others can understand what your code is doing. Even you yourself may
find it useful
*after some time!
*/
```

“Any fool can write code that a computer can understand. Good programmers write code that humans can understand.” - [Martin Fowler](#)

“Programs must be written for people to read, and only incidentally for machines to execute.” - [Hal Abelson & Gerald Jay Sussman](#)
