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Praktikum: 3

Telebot: first try

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VEX

VEX Starter Kit - Individual Parts and Pieces
VEX Metal Parts

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Content of today's lecture

- Introduction to Lego mindstorms
- Telebot system: first experiments
 - Introduction
 - Components
 - Hardware realization
 - Integration
 - Possible tasks
 - Implementation: mechanical system, programming, testing
- Final evaluation

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Web links for today

- Lego mindstorms**
 - <http://mindstorms.lego.com/default.aspx?domainredir=www.legomindstorms.com>
- Telebot project**
 - <http://tams-www.informatik.uni-hamburg.de/people/hzhang/projects/index.php?content=Telebot>

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Robot

Users

Software

Hardware

High-level controller

Low-level controller

Motors

Sensors

Mechanical parts

Wireless network

RS 232

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Telebot system introduction

- Telebot (TAMS group based on cooperation with BUAA, 2006)
 - 9 channels for sensor inputs; 4 outputs for actuators
 - Communication interface
 - Java and C++ programming easy
 - More flexible and extended functions

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Components

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Components (cont')

• Lego 9640 set	1 set
• 1 battery	1 X 8 /set
• Wireless serial interface	1 X 2 /set
• Actuators	1 set
• Sensors	1 set
• Microcontroller	1 set
• A box for all components	1 set

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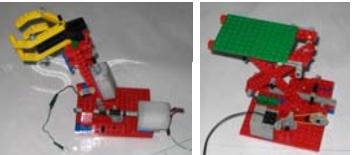
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Components (cont')

- Functionality
- Extensibility
- Easy handling
- Low cost




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Hardware realization: controller B

- ATmega16 microprocessor.
- The sensor channels from 0 to 6 can be used as digital or analog inputs; 7 and 8 can only be used in a digital way.
- Power supply should be 8.4V-24V
- Two communication interfaces on board: RS232 and TTL
- **ISP** for downloading the drivers
- Motor outputs 0 and 1 can be controlled by PWM signals; 2 and 3 are only under the on-off mode.



In-System Programming (abbreviated ISP) is the ability of some programmable logic devices, microcontrollers, and other programmable electronic chips to be programmed while installed in a complete system, rather than requiring the chip to be programmed prior to installing it into the system.

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Hardware realization: sensors

Kinds	Purposes	Number	Photo
Color sensor	Detect black and white	2	
Object sensor	Detect objects in front	2	
Light sensor	Detect an illuminant object such as a candle or a lamp	2	
Touch sensor	Switch	2	

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System integration

Mobile platform + Controller = Mobile robot + { Manipulators, Sensors } = { Different robots }

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Possible tasks for our practical course

- Moving along a line
- Detecting and moving around an obstacle
- Looking for an object
- Following a moving object
- Mapping the scenario
- ...

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Implementation

- Building mechanical system
- Programming
- Testing

Controller
Supporting wheel
Mobile robot
Driving wheel
Optical sensor (left)
Optical sensor (right)
Black line
50mm
>2.5mm
2.5mm

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Building the mechanical system

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GUI

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Testing the hardware

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Testing the hardware (cont ')

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Programming the robot

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Hint: What is PWM?

- PWM Motor.** This motor is connected to the PWM output channel of the low-level controller. The rotation speed and the rotation direction are adjustable.
- Pulse-width modulation (PWM)** of a signal or power source involves the modulation of its duty cycle, to either convey information over a communications channel or control the amount of power sent to a load.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pulse-width_modulation

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Hint: PWM

- The PWM uses controller to create a high frequency pulse signal to drive on and off of signal. The duty (percentage of On time to PWM period) on the motor will determine the output flow rate or speed to the motor.
- A typical PWM signal is shown in figure, where T is PWM period, T_0 is On time.

$$\tau = \frac{T_0}{T} \times 100\%$$

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C and Java programming environments

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Now run a test on you own!

Discussion.....

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Testing: Mechanical experience

- Task 1. build a robot with a gripper
 - To grasp an object.
 - Please test your mechanical platform.

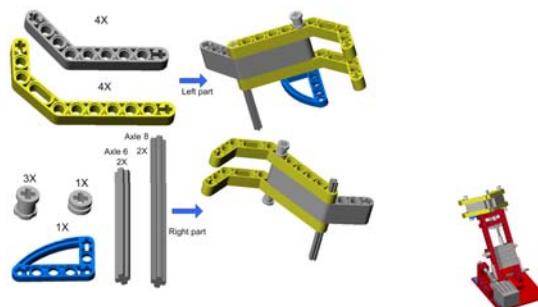


Task 1: Build a robot with a gripper



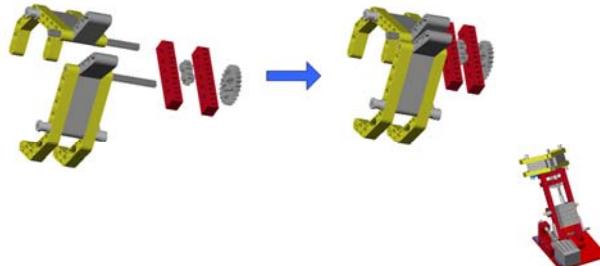
Task 1: Build a robot with a gripper

- Step 1



Task 1: Build a robot with a gripper

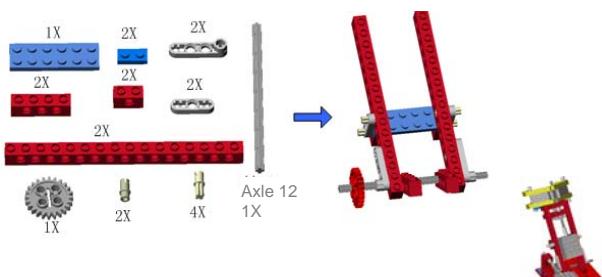
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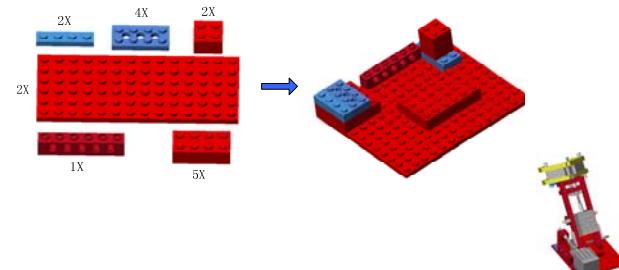
Task 1: Build a robot with a gripper

- Step 3



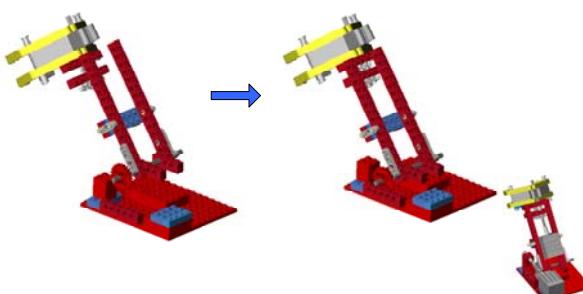
Task 1: Build a robot with a gripper

- Step 4



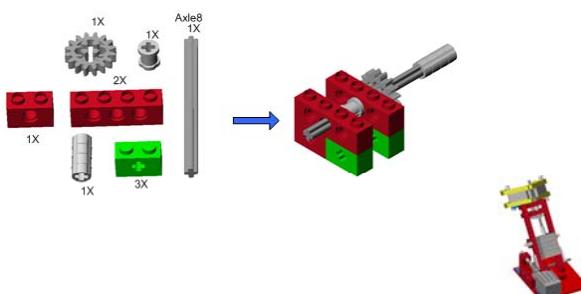
Task 1: Build a robot with a gripper

- Step 5



Task 1: Build a robot with a gripper

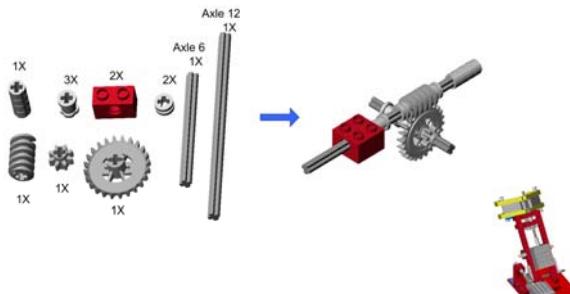
- Step 6



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Task 1: Build a robot with a gripper

- Step 7



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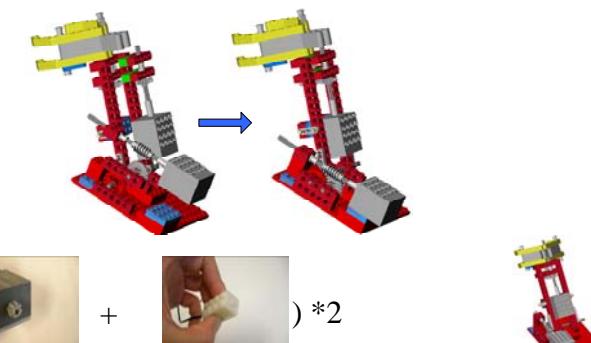
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Task 1: Build a robot with a gripper

- Step 8



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Do it by your own...

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Telebot system environment

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Thanks for your attention!

Any questions?

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Telebot sensors and actuators

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