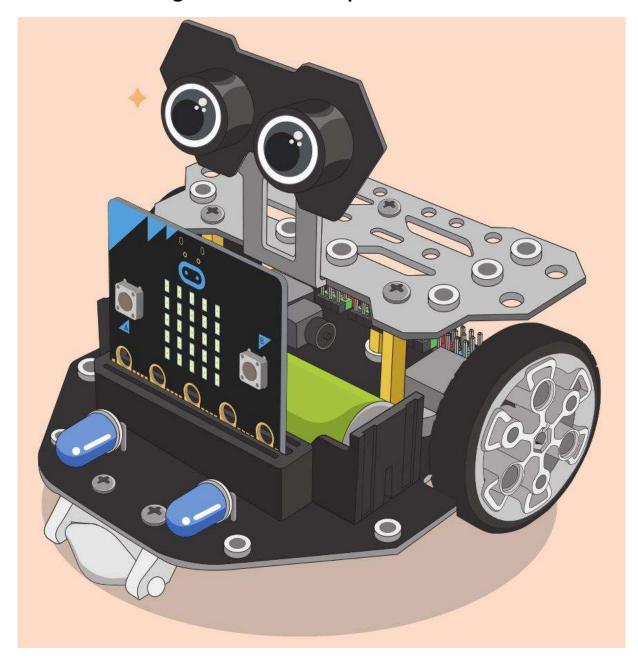
Getting Started with Maqueen Plus



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Chapter 1 Introduction to Maqueen Plus

Introduction

Micro:Maqueen launched by DFRobot is a series of educational robot products for primary and secondary school programming. It includes a cost-effective "Lite" version, a powerful "Plus" version and rich peripherals such as "Mechanic". You can choose different versions and peripherals based on your needs.



micro:Maqueen Lite

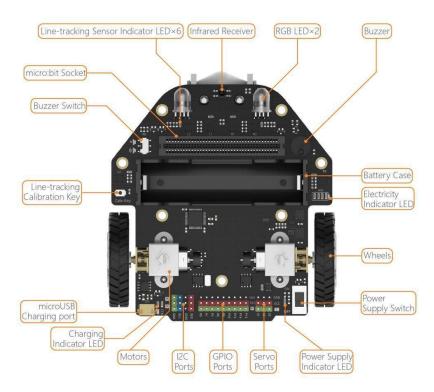


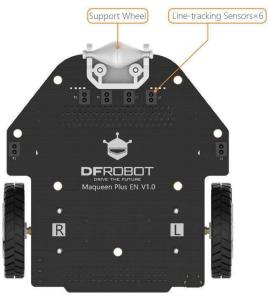
micro:Maqueen Plus



micro:Maqueen Mechanic

Overview





Specification

Power Supply: 3.7V 18650 lithium battery

Charging Voltage: 5V

Charging Current: 900mA

Charging Time: about 4hours

Power Indicator: 4 LEDs

Motor Specification: N20 motor 260 R/M

Buzzer x1

RGB Light x2

GPIO Expansion Port: P0 P1 P2 P8 P12 P13 P14 P15 P16

I2C Port: x3

Servo Expansion Port: x3

Line-tracking Sensor x6

Line-tracking Sensor Output: digital +analog

Support Calibration for Line-tracking Sensor

IR Receiving Sensor x1

Ultrasonic Sensor: URM10

Top Metal Plate: x1

M3 Threaded Connections x12

Map Size: 50cmx50cm

Product Dimension: 107x100mm/4.21 x3.94"

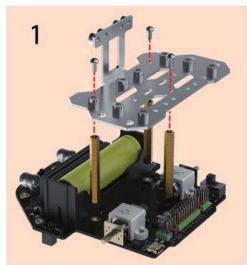
Maqueen Plus vs Maqueen Lite

Name	Maqueen Lite	Maqueen Plus
Power Supply	3 AAA Batteries	18650 Li-ion battery
, and an experience of the control o		(2300mA~2500mA)
Charging circuit	×	\checkmark
Power display	×	√
Encoder and PID control	×	\checkmark
Support for installing Huskylens AI camera	×	√
Support for line-tracking sensor calibration	\checkmark	√
Support for analog reading of line-tracking sensor	×	V
Number of line-tracking sensor	2	6
Number of IO expansion port	4	12
Number of servo port	2	3
Number of mechanic expansion thread	2	16
Motor rated rotation speed	133	260
LED color	Red LED	Large size RGB LED
LED COIOF		with 7colors
Ultrasonic Model	H-SR04	DFRobot high-quality URM10 ultrasonic sensor
Continuous usage time with Huskylens	30min	180min

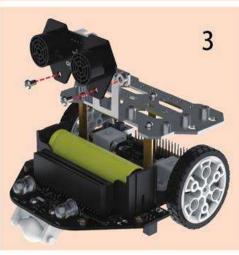
Standard continuous usage time	8h	24h
Come with line-tracking map	×	√
Onboard IR receiver and buzzer	V	\checkmark
Onboard WS2812 RGB LED	V	×

Assembly Guide

Note: power Maqueen Plus with18650 chargeable lithium battery. Pay attention to polarity when installing battery, and it is prohibited to short circuit the battery's positive and negative poles.









How to calibrate line-tracking sensor?

There are 6 line-tracking sensors on Maqueen Plus and each of them has an indicator. When a line-tracking sensor detects a black line, the corresponding indicator will light up. If you found that any line-tracking sensor is not sensitive to a black line, calibrate it as follows:

1. Put Maqueen Plus into the calibration area of the line-tracking map, turn on its power.



2. Press "Calc-key" for about 1 second, the 2 front large LEDs will flash in green. Release the key, then calibration is done.



If all the line-tracking sensor indicators turn on in the black area and turn off in the white area, the calibration is successful.

Note:

- 1. The internal chip will automatically save the calibration, so you do not need to calibrate it every time you use it.
- 2. Maqueen Plus has been factory calibrated, and it can be used directly normally.

Chapter 2 Programming Maqueen Plus on MakeCode

The basic usage of MakeCode will be omitted here. This chapter will mainly introduce the function of Maqueen Plus and how to program it on MakeCode.

MakeCode address and program library

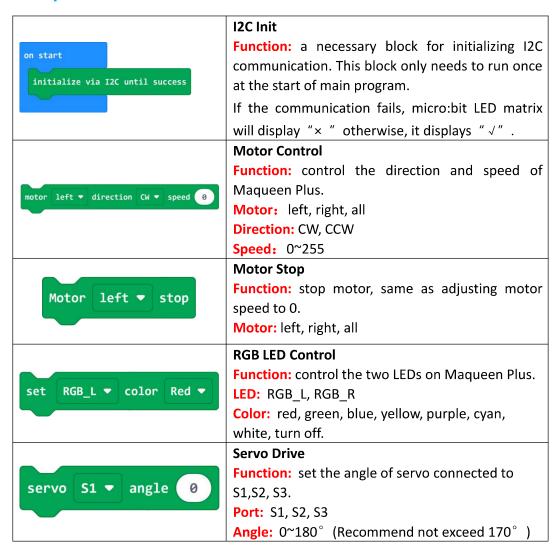
MakeCode programming platform address: https://makecode.microbit.org

Maqueen Plus library: https://github.com/DFRobot/pxt-DFRobot-MaqueenPlus

Huskylens AI Camera library: https://github.com/DFRobot/pxt-DFRobot HuskyLens

OLED Screen library: https://github.com/DFRobot/pxt-OLEDV1

Maqueen Plus Functions



	Bood Line American Commen
	Read Line-tracking Sensor
	Function: read the value of the six line-tracking
	sensors on Maqueen Plus.
	When a black line is detected, the line-tracking
read line-tracking sensor L1 ▼	sensor indicator will be on, and the sensor
	outputs 1. Otherwise, the indicator turns off,
	output 0.
	Sensor: L1, L2, L3, R1, R2, R3
	Return: black 1, white 0
	Read the Received IR Value
	Function: read the value received by onboard IR
	sensor. It uses the NEC IR protocol, and the
	returned value has been converted into decimal
read IR	data type.
	Return: decimal integer(Read the last two digits of
	the hexadecimal key value of the remote control,
	and convert it into a decimal number.)
	Protocol: NEC
	On IR Received Block(Triggered by an event)
	Function: when an IR data received, save it into
	the variable message, and run the codes inside
on IR received message ▼	this block.
	Data Type: decimal integer(Read the last two
	digits of the hexadecimal key value of the remote
	control, and convert it into a decimal number.)
	Protocol: NEC
	PID Switch
	Function: set PID for motor driving. Turn on PID to
	adjust the speed and torque of the motor in real
	time. When PID is enabled, the motor offers
PID switch OFF ▼	accurate speed and large torque even at low
	speed. But there is about 50ms delay for PID
	adjustment, so it may not be suitable for high
	real-time control.
	Can be set: on, off
	Motor Speed Compensation
	Function: adjust speed difference caused by
	driving roads, wheels and motor parameters in
	PID mode.
motor compensation left ▼ speed 0	
	Motor: left, right
	Speed Range: 0~255 (This value is not the actual
	speed, it corresponds to 0 ~ 1 revolution, and the
	maximum compensation value is 1 RPM)

	Read Motor Actual Speed	
	Function: the hall sensor installed on the end part	
	of Magueen Plus that can detect motor speed in	
read motor left ▼ speed	real-time.	
	Motor: left, right	
	1	
	Return Value Range: 0~255	
	Read Motor Direction	
	Function: the hall sensor installed on the end part	
read motor left ▼ direction(stop:0,forward:1,back:2)	of Maqueen Plus that can detect motor speed in	
	real-time.	
	Motor: left, right	
	Return Value Range: 0 stop; 1 forward; 2 back	
	Read Grayscale of Line-tracking Sensor	
	Function: detect the grayscale of a black line.	
	Set different gray segments on a routine to make	
read line-tracking sensor L1 ▼ grayscale	Maqueen Plus execute various instruction, like	
	slowing down, stopping, etc.	
	Sensor: L1 L2 L3 R1 R2 R3	
	Return Value Range: 0~4095	
	Read Distance from Ultrasonic Sensor	
	Function: Maqueen Plus is equipped with URM10	
	ultrasonic sensor for detecting distance. It offers	
	5cm~300cm detection range, and 1cm~3cm error.	
	It will be more accurate when detection distance	
read ultrasonic sensor T P0 ▼ E P0 ▼ cm	is in 20cm~80cm. The return value will be 0 when	
	over 300cm.	
	Option: connect T and E of the sensor as the same	
	with the software setting.	
	Detection Range: 5cm~300cm	
	Detection range. Juli Journ	

Huskylens AI Camera Block Description

on start HuskyLens initialize via I2C until success	I2C Init Function: a necessary for initializing I2C communication protocol. This block only needs to run once at the start of main program. If the communication fails, the micro:bit Matrix will show " \times ", otherwise, it displays " $$ ".
HuskyLens change Face Recognition ♥ algorithm until success	Functions Switch Function: set the working mode of Huskylens. It only needs to run once at the start of main program most of time. The function selection should be the same as the hardware connection. There are 6 working modes: 1. Face Recognition

	2. Object Tracking
	2. Object Tracking
	3. Object Recognition
	4. Line Tracking
	5. Color Recognition
	6. Tag Recognition
	Request data once from Huskylens
	Function: a necessary block for HuskyLens. It is
HuskyLens request once enter the result	usually used in a loop and can be called multiple
	times. Execute once to read data from
	Huskylens, such as value of X, Y or Z and ID
	data.
	Read total number of IDs that Huskylens have
	learned
HuskyLens get from result studyed ID	Function: read the total number of objects
	Huskylens learned and use it as a variable,
	return data of unsigned integer.
	Judge if HuskyLens detected object and box or
	arrow appears on the screen
	Function: a judgment statement to determine
	whether HuskyLens detects a object, there will
HuskyLens get from result box ▼ in picture?	be
	a box or arrow appearing on the screen if it
	detects.
	Object detected, return: true
	Object not detected, return: false
	Option: box, arrow
	Read the value of box near the centre of
	screen
	Function: HuskyLens can detect multiple
	objects
	at the same time, and this block can be used to
	read the value of box near the centre of screen
HuskyLens get from result near the center box ID ▼ parameter	with providing several kinds of readings:
	ID: read the ID number of the box
	X center: read the x-axis of the centre point of
	box.
	Y center: read the y-axis of the centre point of
	box.
	Width: read the width of box in pixel.
	Height: read the height of box in pixel.
	Read the value of arrow near the centre of
HuskyLens get from result near the center arrow ID ▼ parameter	screen
	Sercen
	Function: HuskyLens can detect multiple lines in

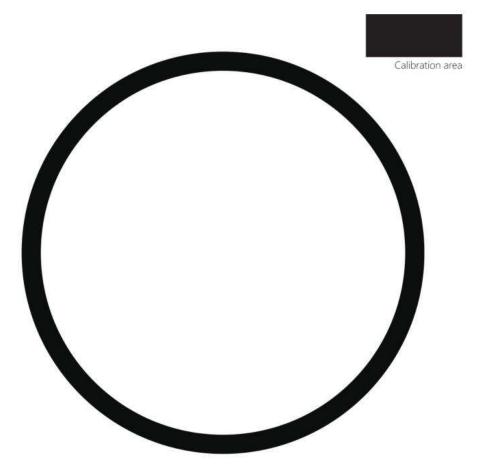
	to read the value of arrow near the centre of
	screen with providing several readings:
	ID: read the ID number of arrow
	X Start: read the X-axis of the starting point of
	arrow.
	Y Start: read the Y-axis of the starting point of
	arrow.
	X End: read the X-axis of the endpoint of arrow.
	Y End: read the Y-axis of the endpoint of arrow.
	Judge if the detected object has been learned
	Function: determine whether an object has
	been
	learned when HuskyLens detected multiple
HuskyLens get from result ID 1 have learned?	objects so as to avoid causing chaos during data
	calling.
	Object learned, return: true
	Object not learned, return: false
	Judge if a specific learned ID appears on the
	screen.
	Function: HuskyLens can detect and learn
	multiple object IDs, and record them with ID
HuskyLens get from result ID 1 box ▼ in picture?	numbers. This block is used to determine if a
	learned object ID appears on the screen.
	Appeared in the screen, return: true
	Not appeared on the screen, return: false
	Read box parameter of a specific ID
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	Function: Huskylens can store different objects
Highwiger and See annual To Co. how assessed to a consider the	with ID numbers when it detected multiple
uskylens get from result ID 1 box parameter X coordinates •	objects. This block is used to read box
	parameter of a specific ID.
	Parameter option: X center, Y center, Width,
	•
	Height (Unit: pixel)
	Height (Unit: pixel) Read arrow parameter of a specific ID
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	Height (Unit: pixel) Read arrow parameter of a specific ID Function: Huskylens can store different objects with ID number when it detected multiple
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Huskylens get from result ID 1 arrow parameter xOrigin ▼ Huskylens get from result box ▼	Height (Unit: pixel) Read arrow parameter of a specific ID Function: Huskylens can store different objects with ID number when it detected multiple objects. This block is used to read arrow parameter of a specific ID. Parameter option: X start, Y start, X end, Y end (Unit: pixel) Read total number of recognized arrow or box
	Height (Unit: pixel) Read arrow parameter of a specific ID Function: Huskylens can store different objects with ID number when it detected multiple objects. This block is used to read arrow parameter of a specific ID. Parameter option: X start, Y start, X end, Y end (Unit: pixel) Read total number of recognized arrow or box on the screen

	Option: arrow, box
HuskyLens get from result 1 box parameter ID ▼	Read box parameter of a specific serial number on the screen. Function: objects are recognized in order, and this block can be used to read box parameter of a specific serial number, for instance, read the box parameter of the second recognized object. Option: ID, X center, Y center, width, Height (Unit: pixel)
HuskyLens get from result 1 arrow parameter ID ▼	Read arrow parameter of a specific serial number on the screen Function: objects are recognized in order, and this can be used to read arrow parameter of a specific serial number, for instance, read the arrow parameter of the second recognized object. Option: ID, X start, Y start, X end, Y end(Unit: pixel)
HuskyLens get from result ID 1 box ▼	Read total number of box or arrow of a specific ID on the screen Function: read the total number of the recognized objects on the screen. For example, count how many cars are in the screen when it learned the car. Option: arrow, box
Huskytens get from result ID (1) box parameter X coordinates ▼	Read box parameter of a specific serial number range on the screen Function: objects are recognized in order, and this block can be used to box parameter of a specific serial number range, for instance, to read box parameter of the second to the fifth recognized objects. Option: ID, X center, Y center, width, height (Unit: pixel)
Huskylens get from result ID 1 1 arrow parameter xOrigin ▼	Read arrow parameter of a specific serial number range on the screen Function: objects are recognized in order, and this block can be used to arrow parameter of a specific serial number range, for instance, to read arrow parameter of the second to the fifth recognized objects. Option: ID, X start, Y start, X end, Y end (Unit: pixel)

Project 1: Line follower moving along a circle

1-1 Introduction

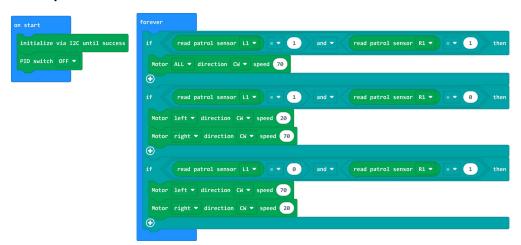
Turn Magueen Plus into a line follower and program it to move along a circle.



1-2 Program Link

https://makecode.microbit.org/_Mz5aDj3dp92w

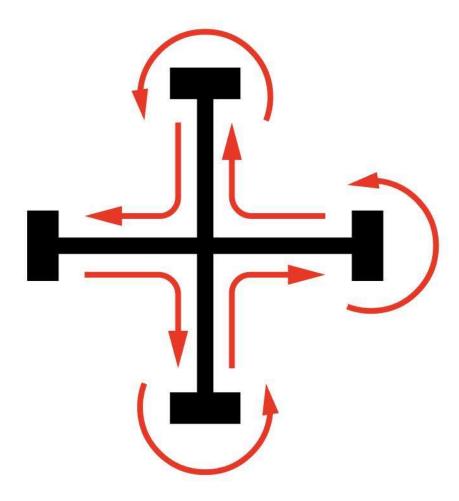
1-3 Example Code



Project 2: Line follower moving along a cross line

2-1. Introduction

Program Maqueen Plus drive along the cross line on the map. 4 line-tracking sensors will be used in this project.



2-2 Program Link: https://makecode.microbit.org/_Kfw1qqUXeVj4

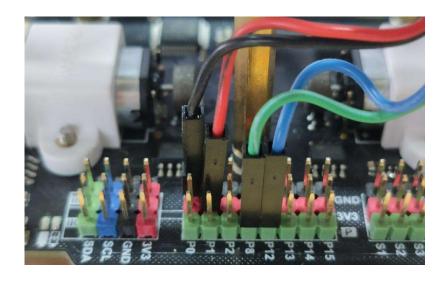
2-3 Example Code:

```
read patrol sensor L1 ▼ | = ▼ 1
                                                       read patrol sensor R1 ▼
 Motor ALL ▼ direction CW ▼ speed 40
          read patrol sensor L1 ▼ | = ▼ 1
   Motor left ▼ direction CW ▼ speed 0
   Motor right ▼ direction CW ▼ speed 40
 (
          read patrol sensor L1 ▼ | = ▼
                                                         read patrol sensor R1 ▼
         left ▼ direction CW ▼ speed 40
 ①
          read patrol sensor L1 ▼
                                                         read patrol sensor R1 ▼
   Motor right ▼ direction CCW ▼ speed 40
   Motor left ▼ direction CW ▼ speed 40
 (+)
(+)
        read patrol sensor L2 ▼
                                                        read patrol sensor R2 ▼
 Motor right ▼ direction CCW ▼ speed 40
 Motor left ▼ direction CW ▼ speed 40
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```

Project 3: Obstacle Avoidance Robot

3-1 Introduction

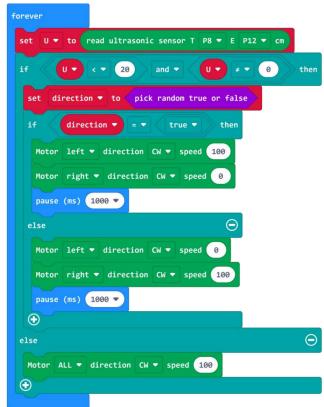
The ultrasonic sensor constantly detects the distance between the Maqueen Plus and obstacle ahead in moving, when the distance is smaller than 20cm, Maqueen Plus randomly turns left or right to avoid the obstacle. Connect the ultrasonic sensor to P8(green wire) and P12(blue wire), just corresponding to the port setting in the program. The red wire should be connected to a 3.3V port, and the black one to a GND port.



https://makecode.microbit.org/_bD150m79X8w2

3-3 Example Code





Project 4: IR-controlled Maqueen Plus

4-1 Introduction

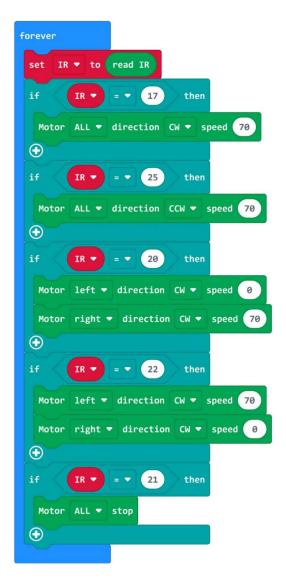
Use the keys 2, 4, 6, 8 and 5 on the remote controller to operate Maqueen Plus.

4-2 Program Link

https://makecode.microbit.org/_ccr5CCg62VbC

4-3 Example Code





4-4 Remote Controller Key Value List

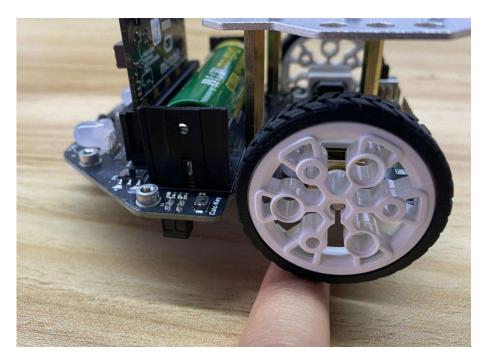
Key	Value(In	Value(In decimal)
-	hexadecimal)	
Red Key	0xff00	0
VOL+	0xfe01	1
FUNC/STOP	0xfd02	2
Left Arrow	0xfb04	4
Pause	0xfa05	5
Right Arrow	0xf906	6
Down Arrow	0xf708	8
VOL-	0xf609	9
Up Arrow	0xf50a	10
0	0xf30c	12
EQ	0xf20d	13
ST/REPT	0xf10e	14
1	0xef10	16
2	0xee11	17
3	0xed12	18
4	0xeb14	20
5	0xea15	21
6	0xe916	22
7	0xe718	24
8	0xe619	25
9	0xe51a	26



Project 5: PID Control for Maqueen Plus

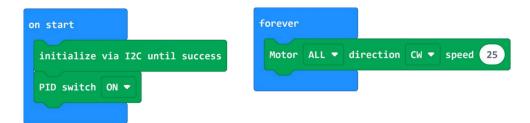
5-1 Introduction

PID can accurately adjust the speed of the two motors and guarantee enough torque at different speeds. Maqueen Plus comes with an on-board encoder and PID control function, which can adjust the torque and speed of a motor in real-time. Download the program, and try letting Maqueen Plus climb across some small obstacles like finger, eraser, etc.



https://makecode.microbit.org/_YxpKywbJxakH

5-3 Example Code



Project 6: Speed up and Slow down

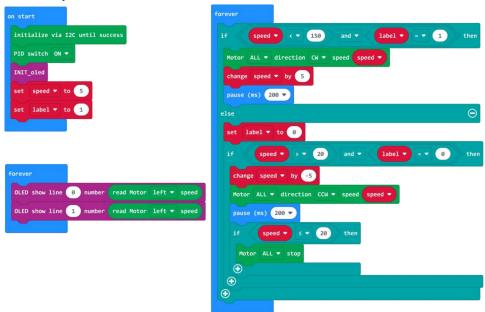
6-1 Introduction

Maqueen Plus constantly goes faster until the speed reaches 150, then gradually slowing down. When its speed is small than 20, stop moving. Meanwhile, the current speed will be displayed on the OLED screen. Enable PID function to control the speed

accurately.

https://makecode.microbit.org/_6bDYxchJk9Lk

6-3 Example Code



Project 7: Huskylens AI Camera - Line Tracking

7-1 Introduction

Let Maqueen Plus work with Huskylens camera. The camera recognizes the black line, then Maqueen Plus drives along that road. Download program into micro:bit, adjust the angle of the camera, put the Maqueen Plus on the line, and power on.



https://makecode.microbit.org/_W5fdWb8xea15

7-3 Example Code

```
Initialize via 12C until success

Muskylens initialize via 12C until success

Muskylens change Line Tracking * algorithm until success

Muskylens request once enter the result

If Muskylens get from result ID 1 arrow parameter * Target * > * 180 and * Muskylens get from result ID 1 arrow parameter * Target * > * 180 then

Motor All * direction Cu * speed 60

If Muskylens get from result ID 1 arrow parameter * * 180 then

Motor left * direction Cu * speed 60

Notor right * direction Cu * speed 60
```

Project 8: Huskylens AI Camera - Tail After

8-1 Introduction

Two Maqueen Plus cars will be used here. Let the first Maqueen car move forward freely, the second one tails after it using a Huskylens AI camera.

8-2 Program Link

https://makecode.microbit.org/_Y4ai3y2jvdEh

8-3 Example Code

```
Foreign deligible via EX will success

management change Color Secognition * Algorithm until success

for management change Color Secognition * Algorithm until success

for management change Color Secognition * Algorithm until success

for management from result ID 1 box parameter & coordinates * 1 * 125 those

for management from result ID 1 box parameter & coordinates * 1 * 125 those

for management and of the management of the success of
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Project 9: Huskylens AI Camera - Passing a Traffic Light

9-1 Introduction

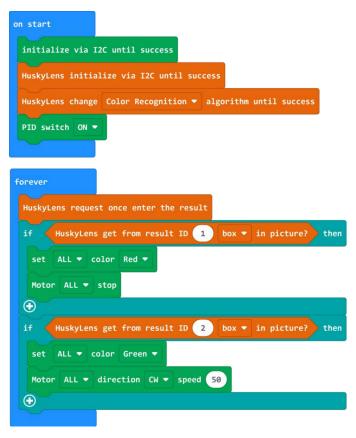
Let Huskylens AI learn red and green cards. When it recognizes the green card, the Maqueen Plus car moves forward. When the red card is recognized, the car stops. At the same time, the color recognized is displayed with the RGB LEDs on theMaqueen Plus.

Note: the surrounding environment should not be too complex in case causing misrecognitions.

9-2 Program Link

https://makecode.microbit.org/_e0Y86Pgc8gFg

9-3 Example Code



Project 10: Maqueen Mechanic - Loader

10-1 Introduction

Try to install the Loader accessories on Maqueen Plus and use the remote control handle to operate it.

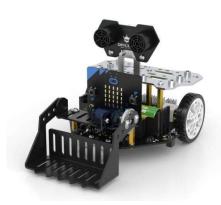
Necessary accessories: 1. Maqueen remote control handle 2. Maqueen loader accessories 3. Prepare one more micro:bit main board

As shown in the figure below:





10-2 Assembly









M3*5mm Screw

M3*5mm
Screw

Step2

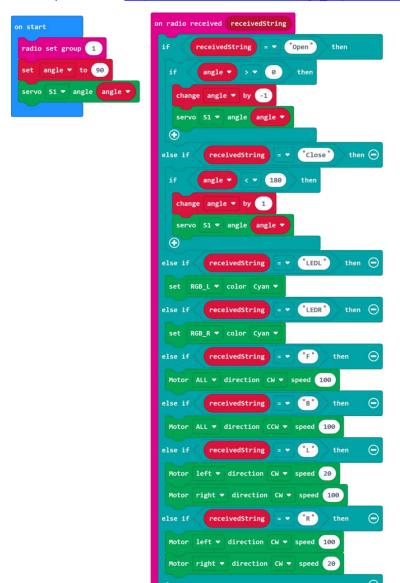


Step4

10-3 Program Link and Example Code Set switch quantity for remote-control handle

In this project, the handle is set as the switch quantity, which is used to control the car to move forward, backward, left turn and right. But it can't control the speed. The up and down buttons on the right of the handle control the movement of Maqueen loader, and the left and right buttons control the RGB LEDs to be on and off.

Programs for Maqueen Plus: https://makecode.microbit.org/ MyscR05Vc2tz



Motor ALL ▼ stop

Program for Remote-control Handle:

https://makecode.microbit.org/ HRWfzpg02Mrv

```
rational plan 733 * to none *

set pull plan 733 * to none *

set pull plan 735 * to none *
```

Set analog quantity for remote-control handle

The remote-control handle is set as analog quantity, and then the speed and direction of Maqueen Plus can be controlled at the same time. The more the handle button is pressed, the faster Maqueen Plus will go. The up and down buttons on the right of the handle control the movement of Maqueen loader, and the left and right buttons control the RGB LEDs to be on and off.

Programs for Maqueen Plus: https://makecode.microbit.org/ daYbLRYaUTi7

Program for Remote-control Handle:

https://makecode.microbit.org/ Wmxd6k2Era7z

