Setup Functions:

Robot Type

Choose which robot you want to write a program for. Note that not including this command defaults to "robotType (none);" Also please note that this command should be the first thing in your "task main()".



Command:



robotType(type);

Parameters: type

Valid Robot Types for type:

none - this will not set up any motors and sensors for you (this is the default.)squarebot - sets the motors to match a default Squarebot (NO sensors will be setup).

Usage without Parameters:

robotType();

Usage with Parameters:

robotType (squarebot);

This snippet of code will set the robot type to **none** by default, skipping the setup process. You must manually set the motors and sensors in the 'Motors and Sensors Setup' menu.

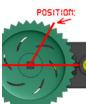
This snippet of code will set the robot type to **squarebot**. This will automatically set up the motor ports to match those of a default Squarebot.

(Note that no sensors are ever setup for the VEX PIC.)

Movement Functions:

Set Servo

Set a servo to a desired position.



Command:

setServo(servo, position);

Parameters: servo, position

Acceptable Motors for servo:

MOTOR ports 1 through 8 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Valid Range Values for position:

-127 to 127.

Usage without Parameters:

setServo();

This snippet of code will set the servo on motor-port 8 to position 0 (center). The default motor-port is **port8** and the default position is 0 for **setServo()**.

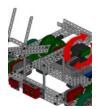
Usage with Parameters:

setServo(port7, 37);

This snippet of code will set the servo on motor-port 7 to position 37.

Start Motor

Set a motor to a speed.



Command:

```
startMotor(motor, speed);
```

Parameters: motor, speed

Acceptable Motors for motor:

MOTOR ports 1 through 8 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Valid Range Values for speed:

-127 (reverse) to 127 (forward) where 0 is stop.

Usage without Parameters:

```
startMotor();
wait();
stopMotor();
```

This snippet of code will run the motor in motor-port 6 at speed 95 for 1.0 seconds and then stop it. The default motor-port is **port6** and the default speed is **95** for **startMotor()**.

Usage with Parameters:

```
startMotor(port8, -32);
wait(0.5);
stopMotor(port8);
```

This snippet of code will run the motor in motor-port 8 at speed -32 for 0.5 seconds and then stop it.

Stop Motor

Stops a motor.



Command:

```
stopMotor(motor);
```

Parameters: motor

Acceptable Motors for motor:

MOTOR ports 1 through 8 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Usage without Parameters:

```
startMotor();
wait();
stopMotor();
```

This snippet of code will run the motor in motor-port 6 at speed 95 for 1.0 seconds and then stop it. The default motor-port is **port6** for **stopMotor()**.

Usage with Parameters:

```
startMotor(port8, -32);
wait(0.5);
stopMotor(port8);
```

This snippet of code will run the motor in motor-port 8 at speed -32 for 0.5 seconds and then stop it.

Wait Functions:

Wait

Wait an amount of time measured in seconds. The robot continues to do what it was doing during this time.



Command:

```
wait(time);
```

Parameters: time

Valid Range Values for time:

0 to 32766 (Must be whole numbers; VEX PIC does not support decimal "floating point" values.)

Usage without Parameters:

```
forward();
wait();
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward for 1 second and then stop. The default time is 1 (second) for wait().

Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
wait(2);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed for 2 seconds and then stop.

Wait in Milliseconds

Wait an amount of time in milliseconds. The robot continues to do what it was doing during this time.



Command:

```
waitInMilliseconds(time);
```

Parameters: time

Valid Range Values for time:

0 to 32766.

Usage without Parameters:

```
forward();
waitInMilliseconds();
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward for 1000 milliseconds (1.0 seconds) and then stop. The default time is 1000 (milliseconds) for waitInMilliseconds ().

Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
waitInMilliseconds(2730);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed for 2730 milliseconds (2.73 seconds) and then stop.

Robot Movement Functions:

Note that for desirable results with the following set of functions, you must use the "robotType(); "Setup Function with either recbot or swervebot in the beginning of your "task main()".

Forward

Both wheels rotate forward at the same speed, causing the robot to move forward.



Command:

```
forward(speed);
```

Parameters: speed

Valid Range Values for speed:

0 to 127 (however forward() will always move your robot forward.)

Usage without Parameters:

```
forward();
wait();
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward for 1 second and then stop. The default speed is 95 for forward().

Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
wait(2);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed for 2 seconds and then stop.

Backward

Both wheels rotate backward at the same speed, causing the robot to move backward.



Command:

```
backward(speed);
```

Parameters: speed

Valid Range Values for speed:

-127 to 0 (however backward() will always move your robot backward.)

Usage without Parameters:

```
backward();
wait();
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot backward for 1 second and then stop. The default speed is -95 for backward().

Usage with Parameters:

```
backward(-63);
wait(2);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot backward at half speed for 2 seconds and then stop.

Point Turn

Both wheels rotate at the same speed but in opposite directions, causing the robot to turn in place.



Command:

```
pointTurn(direction, speed);
```

Parameters: direction, speed

Valid Directions for direction:

left and right.

Valid Range Values for speed:

-127 to 127.

Usage without Parameters:

```
pointTurn();
wait();
stop();
```

This snippet of code will make the robot turn right in place at speed 95 for 1 second and then stop. The default direction and speed are right and 95 for pointTurn().

Usage with Parameters:

```
pointTurn(left, 63);
wait(2);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will make the robot turn left in place at half speed for 2 seconds.

Swing Turn

One wheel rotates while the other does not move, causing the robot to make a wide turn around the stopped wheel.



Command:

```
swingTurn(direction, speed);
```

Parameters: direction, speed

Valid Directions for direction:

left and right.

Valid Range Values for speed:

-127 to 127.

Usage without Parameters:

```
swingTurn();
wait();
stop();
```

This snippet of code will make the robot make a wide right turn at speed 95 for 1 second and then stop. The default direction and speed are right and 95 for swingTurn().

Usage with Parameters:

```
swingTurn(left, 63);
wait(2);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will make the robot make a wide left turn at half speed for 2 seconds.

Stop

Both wheels do not move, causing the robot to stop.



Command:

stop();

Parameters: N/A

Usage without Parameters:

```
forward();
wait();
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward for 1 second and then stop. (Note that there are no parameters for stop().

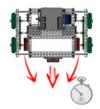
Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
wait(2);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed for 2 seconds and then stop.

Move Straight for Time

The robot will use encoders to maintain a straight course for a specified length of time in seconds.



Command:

moveStraightForTime(time, rightEncoder, leftEncoder);

Parameters: time, rightEncoder, leftEncoder

Valid Range Values for time:

0 to 32766 (Must be whole numbers; VEX PIC does not support decimal "floating point" values.)

Acceptable Sensors for rightEncoder, leftEncoder:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

* Don't forget the interrupt ports! *

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

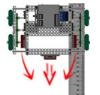
Usage with Parameters:

```
moveStraightForTime(7.5, in5, in3);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will make the robot move forward, maintaining a straight heading for 7.5 seconds using quadrature encoders in A/D-ports 5+interrupt and 3+interrupt, and then stop.

Move Straight for Rotations

The robot will use encoders to maintain a straight course for a specified distance in rotations.



Command:

moveStraightForRotations(time, rightEncoder, leftEncoder);

Parameters: rotations, rightEncoder, leftEncoder

Valid Range Values for rotaions:

0 to 32766 (Must be whole numbers; VEX PIC does not support decimal "floating point" values.)

Acceptable Sensors for rightEncoder, leftEncoder:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

* Don't forget the interrupt ports! *

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

Usage with Parameters:

```
moveStraightForRotations(4.75, in5, in3);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will make the robot move forward, maintaining a straight heading for 4.75 rotations using quadrature encoders in A/D-ports 5+interrupt and 3+interrupt, and then stop.

Until Functions:

Until Touch

The robot continues what it was doing until the touch sensor is pressed in.



Command:

untilTouch(sensorPort);

Parameters: sensorPort

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
untilTouch(in10);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed until the touch sensor in A/D-port 10 is pressed, and then stop.

Until Release

The robot continues what it was doing until the touch sensor is released out.



Command:

untilRelease(sensorPort);

Parameters: sensorPort

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
untilRelease(in10);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed until the touch sensor in A/D-port 10 is released, and then stop.

Until Bump

The robot continues what it was doing until the touch sensor is pressed in and then released out.



Command:

untilBump (sensorPort);

Parameters: sensorPort

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
untilBump(in10);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed until the touch sensor in A/D-port 10 is pressed in and then released out, and then stop.

Until Button Press

The robot continues what it was doing until a specified button on the VEX LCD is pressed. Connect the VEX LCD to UART-port 2.



Command:

untilButtonPress(lcdButton);

Parameters: lcdButton

Valid LCD Buttons for lcdButton:

centerBtnVEX - VEX LCD center button rightBtnVEX - VEX LCD right button leftBtnVEX - VEX LCD left button

Usage without Parameters:

```
forward();
untilButtonPress();
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward until a button on the VEX LCD is pressed. The default button is centerBtnVEX for untilBtnPress().

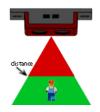
Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
untilButtonPress(rightBtnVEX);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed until the right button on the VEX LCD is pressed.

Until Sonar Greater Than

The robot continues what it was doing until the sonar sensor reads a value greater than a set distance in centimeters.



Command:

untilSonarGreaterThan(distance, sensorPort);

Parameters: distance, sensorPort

Acceptable Values for distance:

0 to 255 (inches).

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

* Don't forget the interrupt ports! *

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

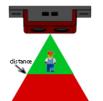
Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
untilSonarGreatherThan(45, in2);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed until the sonar sensor in A/D-port 2+interrupt reads a value greater than 45 inches, and then stop.

Until Sonar Less Than

The robot continues what it was doing until the sonar sensor reads a value less than a set distance in centimeters.



Command:

untilSonarLessThan(distance, sensorPort);

Parameters: distance, sensorPort

Acceptable Values for distance:

0 to 255 (inches).

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

* Don't forget the interrupt ports! *

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
untilSonarLessThan(45, in2);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed until the sonar sensor in A/D-port 2+interrupt reads a value less than 45 inches, and then stop.

Until Potentiometer Greater Than

The robot continues what it was doing until the potentiometer sensor reads a value greater than a set position.



Command:

untilPotentiometerGreaterThan(position, sensorPort);

Parameters: position, sensorPort

Valid Range Values for position:

0 to 1023 (However due to mechanical stops, you may be limited to the range of 5 to 1018.)

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

Usage with Parameters:

```
startMotor(port8, 63);
untilPotentiometerGreaterThan(800, in4);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the motor on port 8 at speed 63 until the potentiometer in A/D-port 4 reaches a value greater than 800, and then stop.

Until Potentiometer Less Than

The robot continues what it was doing until the potentiometer sensor reads a value less than a set position.



Command:

untilPotentiometerLessThan(position, sensorPort);

Parameters: position, sensorPort

Valid Range Values for position:

0 to 1023 (However due to mechanical stops, you may be limited to the range of 5 to 1018.)

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

Usage with Parameters:

```
startMotor(port8, 63);
untilPotentiometerLessThan(40, in4);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the motor on port 8 at speed 63 until the potentiometer in A/D-port 4 reaches a value less than 40, and then stop.

Until Dark

The robot continues what it was doing until the line tracking sensor reads a value darker than a specified threshold.



Command:

untilDark(threshold, sensorPort);

Parameters: threshold, sensorPort

Valid Range Values for threshold:

(light) 0 to 1023 (dark)

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

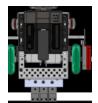
Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
untilDark(1005, in4);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed until the line tracking sensor in A/D-port 4 reads a value darker than 1005, and then stop.

Until Light

The robot continues what it was doing until the line tracking sensor reads a value lighter than a specified threshold.



Command:

untilLight(threshold, sensorPort);

Parameters: threshold, sensorPort

Valid Range Values for threshold:

(light) 0 to 1023 (dark)

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
untilLight(1005, in4);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed until the line tracking sensor in A/D-port 4 reads a value lighter than 1005, and then stop.

Until Rotations

The robot continues what it was doing until the quadrature encoder rotations reach the desired value.



Command:

untilRotations(rotations, sensorPort);

Parameters: rotations, sensorPort

Valid Range Values for rotations:

0 to 32766. (Due to hardware limitations of the VEX PIC, only whole rotations can be used -- no decimals.)

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

* Don't forget the interrupt ports! *

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
untilRotations(3, in3);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed for 3 rotations using a quadrature encoder in A/D-port 3+interrupt, and then stop.

Until Encoder Counts

The robot continues what it was doing until the quadrature encoder counts reach the desired value.



Command:

untilEncoderCounts(counts, sensorPort);

Parameters: counts, sensorPort

Valid Range Values for counts:

0 to 32766.

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

* Don't forget the interrupt ports! *

Parameters are required for VEX PIC sensor functions. There are NO defaults.

Usage with Parameters:

```
forward(63);
untilEncoderCounts(990, in3);
stop();
```

This snippet of code will run the robot forward at half speed for 990 encoder counts (2.75 rotations) using a quadrature encoder in A/D-port 3+interrupt, and then stop.

Special Functions:

LED ON

Turn an LED in a specified digital-port ON.



Command:



turnLEDOn (sensorPort);

Parameters: sensorPort

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.) Note that you must set these digital-ports to "VEX LED".

Usage without Parameters:

turnLEDOn();

This snippet of code will turn an LED in A/D-port 2 ON. The default sensor port is in12 for turnLEDOn().

Usage with Parameters:

turnLEDOn(in7);

This snippet of code will turn an LED in A/D-port 7 ON.

LED OFF

Turn an LED in a specified digital-port OFF.

OFF

Command:



turnLEDOff (sensorPort);

Parameters: sensorPort

Acceptable Sensors for sensorPort:

ANALOG / DIGITAL ports 1 through 16 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.) Note that you must set these A/D-ports to "VEX LED".

Usage without Parameters:

turnLEDOff();

This snippet of code will turn an LED in A/D-port 2 OFF. The default sensor port is in12 for turnLEDOff().

Usage with Parameters:

turnLEDOff(in7);

This snippet of code will turn an LED in A/D-port 7 OFF.

Flashlight ON

Turn a VEX Flashlight in a specified motor-port ON at a specified brightness.





Command:

turnFlashlightOn (motorPort, brightness);

Parameters: motorPort, brightness

Acceptable Motors for motorPort:

MOTOR ports 1 through 8 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

NOTE Brightness control only available in motor-ports 1 through 8 when connected to a VEX Motor Controller 29.)

Valid Range Values for brightness:

(off) 0 to 127 (bright)

Usage without Parameters:

turnFlashlightOn();

This snippet of code will turn a VEX Flashlight in motorport 4 ON at brightness level 63 (half bright). The default motor port and brightness are **port4** and **63** for **turnFlashlightOn()**.

Usage with Parameters:

turnFlashlightOn(port8, 127);

This snippet of code will turn a VEX Flashlight in motor-port 8 ON at brightness level 127 (full bright).

Flashlight OFF

Turn a VEX Flashlight in a specified motor-port OFF.



Command:

turnFlashlightOff(motorPort);

Parameters: motorPort

Acceptable Motors for motorPort:

MOTOR ports 1 through 8 (and your names for them given in Motors and Sensors Setup.)

Usage without Parameters:

turnFlashlightOff();

This snippet of code will turn a VEX Flashlight in motorport 4 OFF. The default motor port is **port4** for **turnFlashlightOff()**.

Usage with Parameters:

turnFlashlightOff(port8);

This snippet of code will turn a VEX Flashlight in motor-port