

Activity 7 worksheet : line bump



Experiment 1

- 1. Create a continuous line on a sheet of paper using black tape. Make sure there are no gaps.
- 2. Use the robot without the switch controller.
- 3. Place your robot in centre of area and power-on. Select mode "b0". Switch sequence is "A_2D_2A".
- 4. Now press **SW-A** to start. If all is OK the robot will bump its way around the area set by the tape. It will stop after 2 minutes or if you press and hold **SW-A** or **SW-C** for a few seconds.
- 5. Insert felt-tip pen and press **SW-A** again. What kind of pattern has the robot drawn?

Experiment 2

Now experiment with the POT settings

POT-1 :: Sets the amount of reverse when the robot detects the black tape

POT-2 :: Sets the amount of spin after the robot has reversed

POT-3 :: Sets the speed difference between the two wheels. A greater difference means that it moves more in a tighter curve.

Remember to press SW-B to get the robot to read the POT settings

2. Swap pens with another group to get a multi-coloured picture.

Experiment 3 - MOUSE mode

- 1. Turn paper over and make a new shape for experiment 3.
- 2. Place your robot in centre of area and power-on. Select mode "b1". Switch sequence is "A_2D_A_D_A"
- 3. Now press **SW-A** to start. If all is OK the robot will bump its way around the area set by the tape. It will stop after 2 minutes or if you press and hold **SW-A** or **SW-C** for a few seconds.
- 4. How is this different from bump mode in experiment 1?
- 5. IMPORTANT: The POTs have no effect in this mode "b1".

Experiment 4

- 1. Design an experiment to see if you can use other black materials in place of the black tape. Try
 - Black felt-tip pen, black biro, black photocopier ink, black poster paint, others???? (POSTER PAINT MUST BE DRY BEFORE RUNNING THE ROBOT)
- 2. Discuss the results with your teacher.