

Practical Robot Strategy







Project Bucephalus Robot Planning

- 1. Basic Robot Dimensions
- 2. Identify Useful Sensors
- 3. Discover the Highways
- 4. Plot Navigation Points

5. Analyse Mission Models

- 6. Plan Robot Runs
 - 7. Robot Layout





Step #5: Analyse Mission Models

Assign each Mission Model to a Team Member:

- What Movement(s) activate the missions?
- How many directions can you approach the Mission?
- Is the Mission near any others? Could they be clustered?
- Could the Mission be activated without a motor?
- What's the best way to reach the Mission?

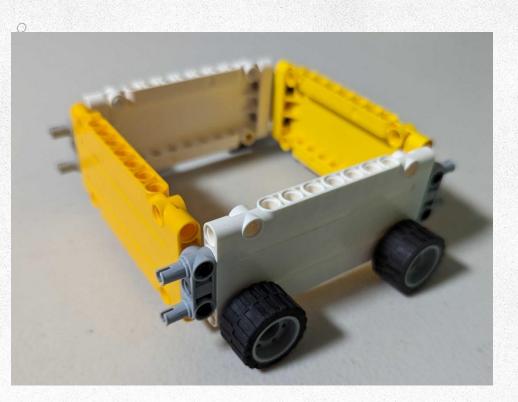
Compare notes:

- What are the common movements the robot has to make?
- Use this information to plan your robot





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Robot Cart







What's The Point?

- Stable base
- No squabbling over robot
- Rapid development of Proof of Concept and Prototypes
- Eliminates "wishful thinking" and maps out needed functions
- Forces students to think beyond the immediate mission







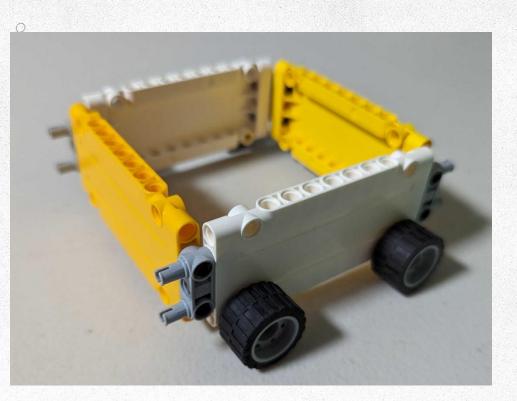
Making It Work...

- Identify path and "Drive" to the Mission
- Simple Machines First! (especially Lever and Inclined Plane)
- Test how far a robot can reach
- Identify tools that can be reused
- Identify needed motion
- Remember Motor Limit





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Demonstration





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Whiteboard Demonstration





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