

Exercise 3 - Inputs and Outputs

Objectives:

- Create basic robot programs in simulation.
- Create a basic "independent" program in simulation
- Using an end of arm gripper to manipulate parts.
- Simulation of a conveyor in the model.
- Declare and use inputs and outputs in simulation.
- Create an AVI for future observation.







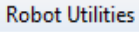

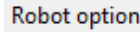







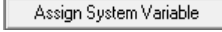

Materials;

- Workspace LT[®] simulation software.
- Workspace LT[®] project file "Exercise 3 - Inputs and Outputs.WSLT"
- Manual "Workspace LT[®] User Guide.pdf".

Helpful Hint; Before starting this exercise, review the User Guide sections;

- 6.3 - Comments and Workspace commands
- 6.5 - System Variables
- 8.2 - Signals.
- 9.3.2 - WAIT FOR
- 11 - Macros.
- 12.1.3 - Executing Multiple Tracks.

1) Procedure: Create the Robot track

- a) Open Workspace LT simulation software. 
- b) Open  the project file "Exercise 3 - Inputs and Outputs.WSLT". Add a track for the robot "Kawasaki FA 06N". Enter the Track Name "Robot" and select the Language "KAREL 2". Using the mouse pointer select  when completed entering and selecting the information.
- c) Visually determine where the tool frame is located. Activate the "Tool Frame Display". On the tool bar and using the mouse  select , from the drop down menu using the mouse  select  , from the slide out menu using the mouse  select  , Set the  and accept . Place a new tool frame at POS(0,0,125,0,0,0,").
- d) To Place a new tool frame at POS(0,0,125,0,0,0,"). Select the  menu located on the menu bar. The user menu  will appear, using the mouse , select  , the Variables Menu will appear. Using the mouse , select . Using the mouse , from the "Select

- variable" menu, select . For "Value for \$UTOOL?" enter the value "POS(0,0,125,0,0,0)". Select to accept the data input.
- e) Test the tool frame by moving the robot using the follow CP Function. Open the pendant by selecting the function **Pendant** located on the tool bar. The Pendant menu will appear. Using the mouse select the check box labeled **FollowCP**. Move the robot by placing the CP in front of the robot. Do this by placing the mouse near the EOAT gripper and clicking the left mouse button. The CP will move to this position and the Robot will follow placing the tool frame at the new CP position.
 - f) Begin recording a track using the newly created "Robot.KL" file previously created.
 - i) If the menu box appears presenting the question "Are you sure you want to record over Robot.KL?", select .
 - ii) When the menu box appears presenting the question "Do you want to save", select .
 - g) The **Action** menu appears, select to start recording.
 - h) The **Action** menu expands the command options.
 - i) To place a new tool frame at POS(0,0,125,0,0,0), select the command, the **Variables** menu will appear. Using the mouse, select . Using the mouse, from the "Select variable" menu, select . For "Value for \$UTOOL?" enter the value "POS(0,0,125,0,0,0)". Select to accept the data input. This action will record the new tool frame. "\$UTOOL=POS(0,0,125,0,0,0,0)" in the track file.
 - j) From the **Action** menu box, select . Once selected the **Robot Move Commands** menu appears.
 - k) Using the mouse, select the command . This Project's robot has a predefined home position. This move has now been recorded in the Track.
 - l) Using the mouse, select the GP "CONVEYORCLR1". From the **Robot Move Commands** menu, select . The robot will position the gripper on a pounce position over the part for confirmation. A **Confirm** menu will pop open, confirm this position . The robot will re-position the tool frame at this GP, recording this new position in the track program.
 - m) From the **Robot Move Commands** menu box select . The "Relative" dialogue box will appear, enter the value z^{-125} in the Z field and select to accept. This position is now recorded in the track as a "Relative VEC" move command. The robot has now placed the gripper over the yellow object labeled "PART1"
 - n) Using the mouse, select the object labeled "Part1". From the **Action** menu select , the **Gripper Com...** menu will appear. From this menu box select and a **Confirm** menu box will appear, select . The gripper will now close and the object "PART1" will now be

attached to the gripper. In simulation, the gripper has grasped the part. The following lines have been recorded;

- i) CLOSE HAND 1
- ii) -- ! GRASPOBJ 'PART1'

- o) From the **Action** menu box, select **Move Away**. The **MOVE AWAY** dialog box will appear, enter **125** in the Displacement field and select **OK** to accept.
- p) Using the mouse, select the GP "CONVEYORCLR2". From the **Robot Move Commands** menu, select **GP Move**. The robot will position the gripper on a pounce position over the conveyor load position. Confirmation will be required as is true for all GP moves.
- q) From the **Robot Move Commands** menu box select **Move Relative**. The "Relative" dialogue box will appear, enter the value **z -125** in the Z field and select **OK** to accept. This position is now recorded in the track as a "Relative VEC" move command. The robot has now placed the object "PART1" on the conveyor belt.
- r) From the **Action** menu select **Gripper Commands**, the **Gripper Com...** menu will appear. From this menu box select **Open Hand** the gripper will open and the object "PART1" will be detached from the gripper. In simulation, the gripper has released the part. The following line has been recorded;
 - i) OPEN HAND 1
- s) From the **Action** menu box, select **Move Away**. The **MOVE AWAY** dialog box will appear, enter **125** in the Displacement field and select **OK** to accept.
- t) From the **Robot Move Commands**, select the command **Move Home**.
- u) From the **Action** menu box select **End** to end recording.
- v) To view your program track, using the mouse pointer, select the "Robot.KL" twice in rapid successions. this will open the program editor. From the instructions above, your program will list as below;

```
Workspace LT Editor - KAWASAKI FA 06N:Robot.KL (KAREL 2)
File Edit Search Options
-- Workspace LT KAREL 2 Program for KAWASAKI FA 06N Robot
BEGIN
SUSEMAXACCEL=TRUE
%INCLUDE Robot#
SUTOOL=POS(0,0,125.0,0,0,0,')
WITH $MOTYPE=JOINT
MOVE TO $HOME:$SUTOOL
MOVE TO CONVEYORCLR1
MOVE RELATIVE VEC(0,0,-100)
CLOSE HAND 1
-- ! GRASPOBJ 'PART1'
MOVE AWAY 100.00
MOVE TO CONVEYORCLR2
MOVE RELATIVE VEC(0,0,-100)
MOVE TO CONVEYORCLR2
WITH $MOTYPE=JOINT
MOVE TO $HOME:$SUTOOL
END Robot
Line: 9 Column: 4 Insert Mode
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2) Procedure: Create the Conveyor track

- a) Add an independent track for the conveyor. Place the mouse over "Independent Tracks" and select using the "Right" mouse key. A menu will appear, select "Add Track".
- b) Enter the Track Name "Conveyor" and select the Language "KAREL 2". Using the mouse select when completed entering and selecting the information.
- c) Begin recording a track using the newly created "Conveyor.KL" track.
 - i) Place the mouse over the independent tracks" and select using the "Right" mouse key. A menu will appear, select "Record Track".
 - ii) If the menu box appears presenting the question "Are you sure you want to record over Robot.KL?", select .
 - iii) When the menu box appears presenting the question "Do you want to save", select .
- d) The menu appears, select to start recording.
- e) The menu will change selections, using the mouse select . The menu appears.
- f) Using the mouse select the object "PART1". From the menu, select . Press the key on the keyboard for the dialog box to appear.
- g) Enter in the Y field then select . Press the key to accept the object's new position (where the robot removes part from conveyor).
- h) Once the key is pressed to accept the objects new position, an dialog box will appear. Enter representing millimeters per second. Select .
- i) From the menu box select to end recording.
- j) To view your program track, using the mouse, select the "Conveyor.KL" twice in rapid successions. this will open the program editor. From the instructions above, the conveyor program will list as below;

```

Workspace LT Editor - Independent Track:Conveyor.KL (KAREL 2)
File Edit Search Options
PROGRAM Conveyor
-- Workspace LT KAREL 2 Program Independent Track
BEGIN
-- | MOVEOBJ 'PART1' ,0,250,0,100
END Conveyor
Line: 5 Column: 1 Insert Mode
  
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- k) Before continuing to part 3 of this exercise save the project and test each track separately in simulation.
 - i) Set the "Robot.KL" track active. Using the mouse select the track using the right Mouse key. A dialog box will appear, select Active. The file will now indicate it is active **Robot.KL**.

- ii) Set the "Conveyor.KL" independent track in-active. Using the mouse  select the track using the right Mouse key. A dialogue box will appear, select Active . The file will now indicate it is in-active  ~~Conveyor.KL~~.
 - iii) Using the mouse  select  (Play simulation) and observe the robot. The robot will pickup the object labeled "PART1" and place this object at the beginning of the conveyor and release. The robot will return to the home position.
 - iv) Set the "Robot.KL" track in-active. Using the mouse  select the track using the right Mouse key. A dialogue box will appear, select Active . The file will now indicate it is in-active  ~~Robot.KL~~.
 - v) Set the "Conveyor.KL" independent track active. Using the mouse  select the track using the right Mouse key. A dialogue box will appear, select Active . The file will now indicate it is active  ~~Conveyor.KL~~.
 - vi) Using the mouse  select  (Play simulation) and observe the conveyor. The object labeled "PART1" will move to the end of the conveyor, position X = 700, Y = 125.3349, Z = 979.225.
 - vii) Save the project model .
- 3) Procedure: Inputs and Outputs.
- a) Activate each track  ~~Robot.KL~~ and  ~~Conveyor.KL~~.
 - b) View the "Robot.KL" program track in the Text editor. Using the mouse , select the " Robot.KL" twice in rapid successions. this will open the track in the text editor.
 - c) Enter the following lines of text before the "BEGIN" statement;
 - i) `--! SIGNALDEF DOUT[1]`
 - ii) `--! SIGNALDEF DIN[1],Conveyor.KL,1`
 - (1) The "--" indicates the text that follows is a comment and will be ignored by Karel 2.
 - (2) The "!" following the comment instruction is indicating a workspace only function. Workspace will execute the function that follows. In this example the first command, SIGNALDEF is declaring a signal and the signal is DOUT[1], a digital output at port 1.
 - (3) The second command, SIGNALDEF is declaring a signal and the signal is DIN[1], a digital input at port 1 and the signal is to come from the track "Conveyor.KL" and from its port 1.
 - (4) Save the track changes and exit the editor.
 - d) View the "Conveyor.KL" program track in the Text editor. Using the mouse , select the " Conveyor.KL" twice in rapid successions. this will open the track in the text editor.
 - e) Enter the following lines of text using the same instructions as previously explained;
 - i) `--! SIGNALDEF DOUT[1]`
 - ii) `--! SIGNALDEF DIN[1], Robot.KL,1`
 - f) Save the track changes and exit the editor.
 - g) Reload  the program to reset the simulation. Save the project model .

- h) View the "Robot.KL" program track in the Text editor.
- i) Edit the program to reflect the changes as shown in the following program list

```

PROGRAM Robot
-- Workspace LT KAREL 2 Program for KAWASAKI FA 06N Robot

--! SIGNALDEF DOUT[1]
--! SIGNALDEF DIN[1],Conveyor.KL,1

BEGIN
  $USEMAXACCEL=TRUE
  %INCLUDE Robot#
  $UTOOL=POS(0,0,125.0,0,0,0,")
  $MOTYPE=LINEAR
Repeat
  Wait for DIN[1]=ON
  MOVE TO CONVEYORCLR1
  MOVE RELATIVE VEC(0,0,-100)
  CLOSE HAND 1
  -- ! GRASPOBJ 'PART1'
  MOVE AWAY 100.00
  MOVE TO CONVEYORCLR2
  MOVE RELATIVE VEC(0,0,-100)
  OPEN HAND 1
  MOVE AWAY 100.00
  DOUT[1]=ON
  MOVE TO $HOME:$UTOOL
  DOUT[1]=OFF
Until False
END Robot

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- j) Save the track changes and exit the editor.
- k) View the "Conveyor.KL" program track in the Text editor.
- l) Edit the program to reflect the changes as shown in the following program list.

```

PROGRAM Conveyor
-- Workspace LT KAREL 2 Program Independant Track

--! SIGNALDEF DOUT[1]
--! SIGNALDEF DIN[1],Robot.KL,1

BEGIN
REPEAT
  -- Signal Robot Ready For Unload
  DOUT[1]=ON
  -- Wait for Robot load
  WAIT FOR DIN[1]=ON

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DOUT[1]=OFF
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




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-- Index PART1 to end of conveyor
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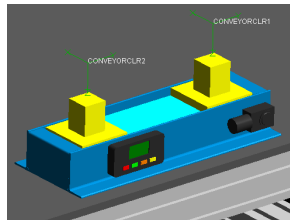
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--! MOVEOBJ 'PART1',0,250,0,35
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UNTIL FALSE
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END Conveyor
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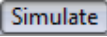


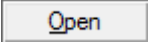

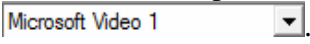



Note: In KAREL 2, text which follows "--" is considered a comment. All text following the "--" is ignored when the program runs.

- m) Save the project model .
- n) View the "Robot.KL" program track in the Text editor. Add comments similar to track Conveyor.KL to explain the robot's programming functions.
- o) Save the project model .
- p) Using the mouse  select  (Play simulation) and observe the robot. The robot will pickup the object labeled "PART1" and place this object at the beginning of the conveyor, release "PART1" and return to it's "home" position. The conveyor will index "Part1" 250mm. The simulation will continue until the  key is pressed.
- q) Copy "PART1"  and place the new part "PART2" at the beginning of the conveyor, model position X = 700, Y = -124.6651, Z = 979.225.



- r) Edit the tracks "Robot.KL" and Conveyor.KL to complete the following tasks;
 - i) Robot moves from home position "CONVEYORCLR1".
 - ii) Robot waits for unload request from conveyor. Robot unloads "PART1" then clears the conveyor's unload position.
 - iii) Robot signals Conveyor to index "PART2".
 - iv) Conveyor indexes "PART2" 250mm (end of the conveyor).
 - v) Robot moves to "CONVEYORCLR2" position, waits for a conveyor "clear to load" signal. Robot loads "PART1" onto the conveyor belt.
 - vi) Robot clears conveyor and moves to "CONVEYORCLR1"
 - vii) Robot waits for an unload request from the conveyor. Robot unloads "PART2" then clears the conveyor's unload position.
 - viii) Robot moves to "CONVEYORCLR2" position, waits for a conveyor "clear to load" signal. Robot loads "PART2" onto the conveyor belt.
 - ix) Robot clears conveyor and the programs repeat.
- s) Comment the Track programs for clarity.
- t) Save the project model .
- u) Using the mouse  select  (Play simulation) and observe.

4) Procedure: Create an AVI

- a) Using the mouse  select  found on the tool bar. This will open a drop down menu.
- b) from the drop down menu, using the mouse  select **Run Simulation and Create Animation**.
- c) The "Rename" dialogue box will appear, using the mouse  select  to accept the default values. The "Video Compression" menu box will open.
- d) Using the mouse  change the "Compressor" field to .
- e) Using the mouse  select  to begin the process of replaying the simulation and creating an AVI.
- f) After the simulation has run a few cycles of the robot unloading and loading the conveyor, press the  key to end the recording.
- g) The AVI can now be replayed in any Windows compatible media player program.