

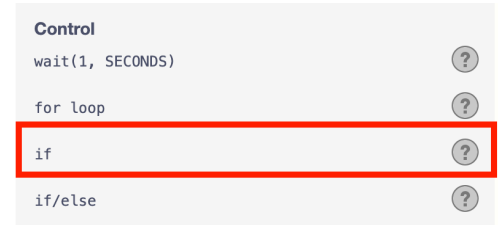
VEXEXP If statement

In this Lesson: You learn about what the **if** statement in VEXcode EXP is, and how it can be used in a project to make your robot make a decision to accomplish a task.

Definition(s):

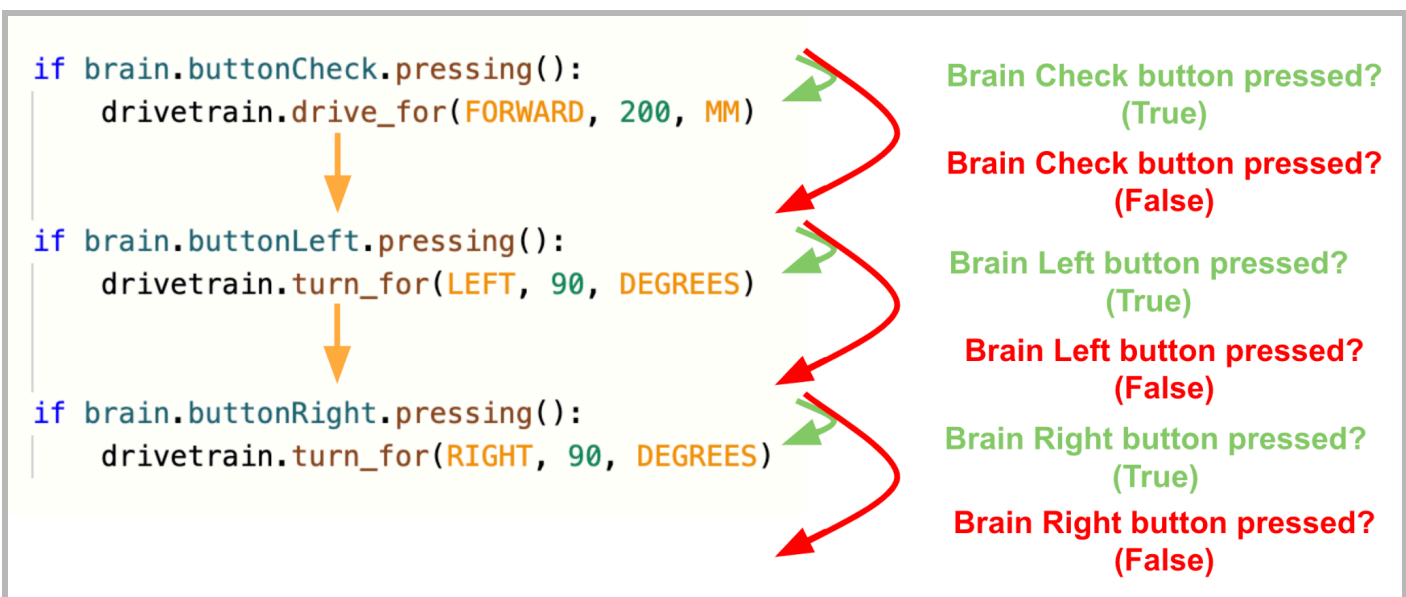
- **If** : a control statement that runs the commands indented beneath it when the Boolean condition is reported as True

Note: To learn more about the **if** statement, you can access the Help in VEXcode EXP.



Notes:

- The **if** statement is used to make your robot make a decision. You can use multiple **if** statements in the same project (as shown in this example based on the project in the video).
 - The **if** statement uses Boolean conditions, which report as True or False.
 - The **if** statement will run the commands indented beneath it when the Boolean condition is reported as True.
 - If the Boolean condition is reported as False, the **if** statement will be 'skipped' in the project.
 - When you have multiple **if** statements in a project, the condition that is reported as True will determine which **if** statement will run.



- The **if** statement will check a condition only once (as shown above). Add a **while** loop with the condition True or a **for** loop to check conditions repeatedly (as shown below).

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while True:
    if brain.buttonCheck.pressing():
        drivetrain.drive_for(FORWARD, 200, MM)
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A diagram illustrating a while loop. An orange arrow points from the 'while True:' line down to the 'if' statement. An orange box encloses the 'if' statement and the 'drivetrain.drive_for' line. An orange arrow points from the top of the box back to the 'while True:' line, indicating the loop structure.

Repeats while True