Title : 8391W's Entry

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What Can My Code Do?/ What Does It Include?

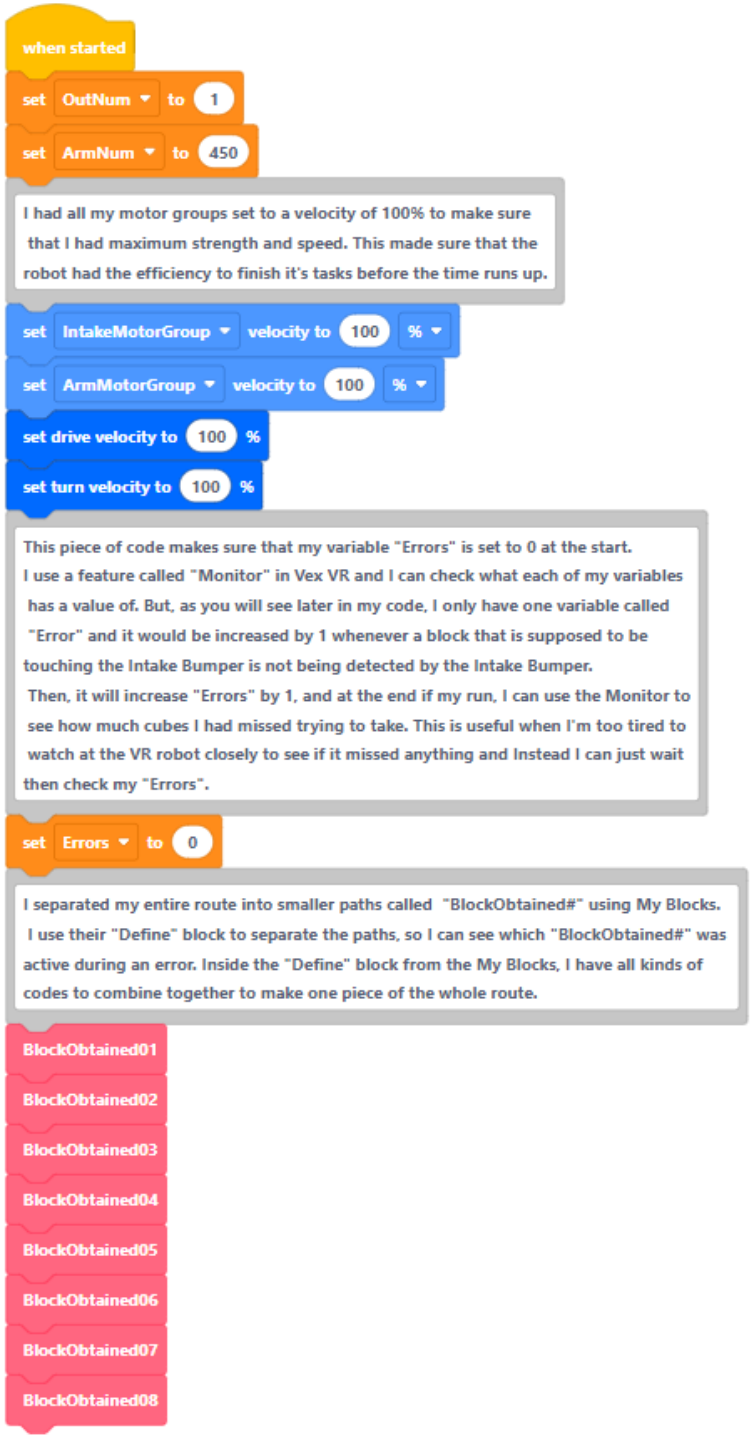
- In my code, It contains 2 different sensor detection: Front Distance sensor and Intake Bumper sensor. But, In total I use a total of 6 sensors, when you include the sensors I use in the monitor. So, technically I am using 6 sensors.
- My code is completely controlled by “My Blocks”. I have a “Main Path”, where I connect all “My Blocks” then I put my codes into My Blocks. How my path works is that the codes run in each “My Block” and whenever one’s action is done, the next “My Block” does what it is supposed to do. The whole purpose of “My Blocks” are supposed to separate the path into smaller sections to be more easily edited.
- Inside of my code, I have a “Security System”, where I check if I have a block when I’m supposed to, and If I do not have it, I will go forward by a little bit and intake again. This makes sure that I won’t miss a block and I also increase my variable called “Error” by 1.

How Did VEX VR Help Improve My Skills?

Did you know, In fact I started VEX 3 months ago? Yes, not start competing, but introduced to VEX 3 months ago. I started VEX in my school's VEX club. I first started to build the hero bot for this year (Byte) and I got to learn some decent coding in VEXCODE IQ. Then, I was introduced to VEX VR. I had a lot of experience in other coding languages (Lua, Python, Java, and Scratch) so I was really interested in VEX VR. I started practicing it day by day and eventually once I understood the logic, variables, and the unique "My Blocks" of VEXVR, I soon became the best coder in my club. After a month, my friend invited me to a team he just created in Caution Tape. When I first went, it was just us two on the Caution Tape team. He knew I was good at coding, so he decided to add me on the team. A few days after he joined, he contributed greatly in assisting with the teachers to teach me advanced turns and driving straight with Brain Inertial/Gyro. I learned a lot in VEX VR and I put all my knowledge into VEX IQ. Now, I have the knowledge to code complicated equations and logic systems in VEX IQ thanks to the online practice I had in VR when I did not have a physical robot yet. VR is great for newbies, as there are many features that IQ does not have and many features that IQ has and VR does not have. Thanks to the coding practice VR gave me, I was successful in getting higher scores autonomous in qualifiers.

Full View Of Code

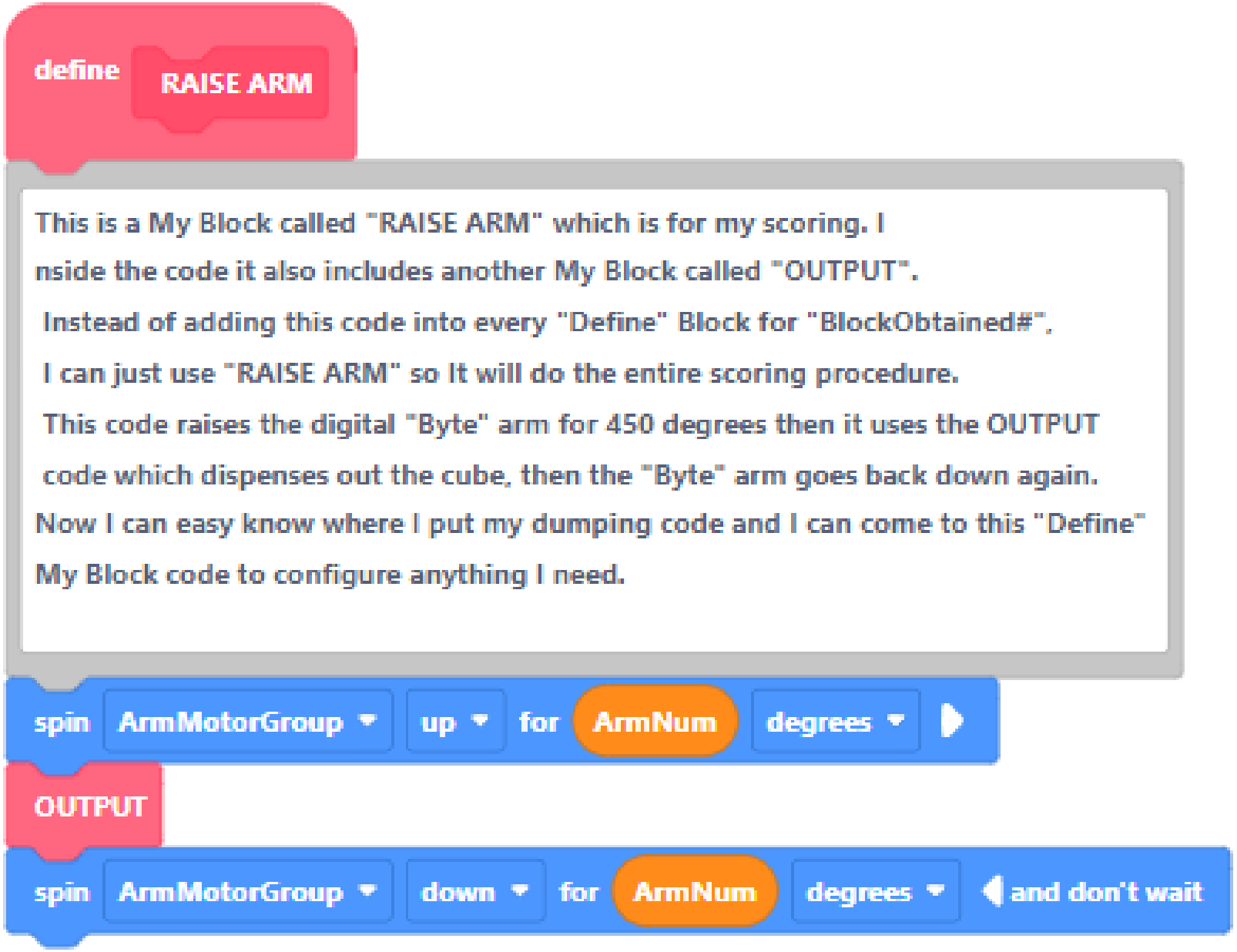
* Zoom in for a closer look*



The Route

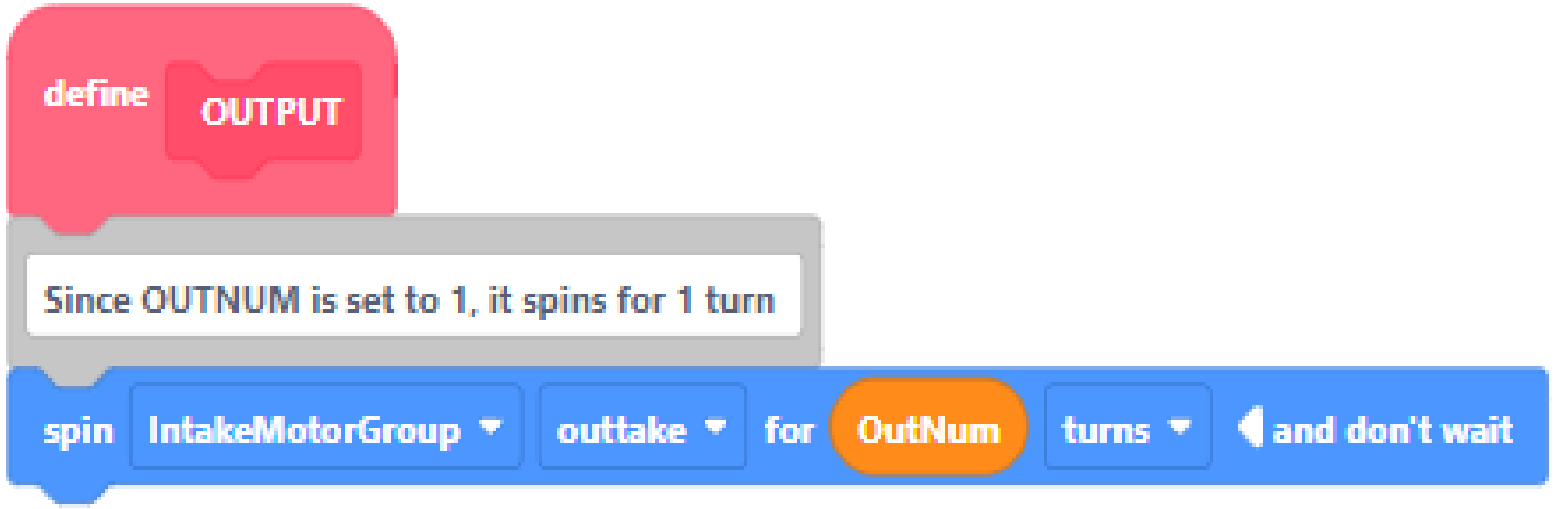
These blocks are the very center of all my code. Without them, my code would not work at all. This code combines the smaller paths (BlockObtained_) together and it also sets my variable to 0 and sets my velocities to 100%. On the top, I set “Outnum” to 1 and “ArmNum” to 450.

RAISE ARM (Scoring Code)



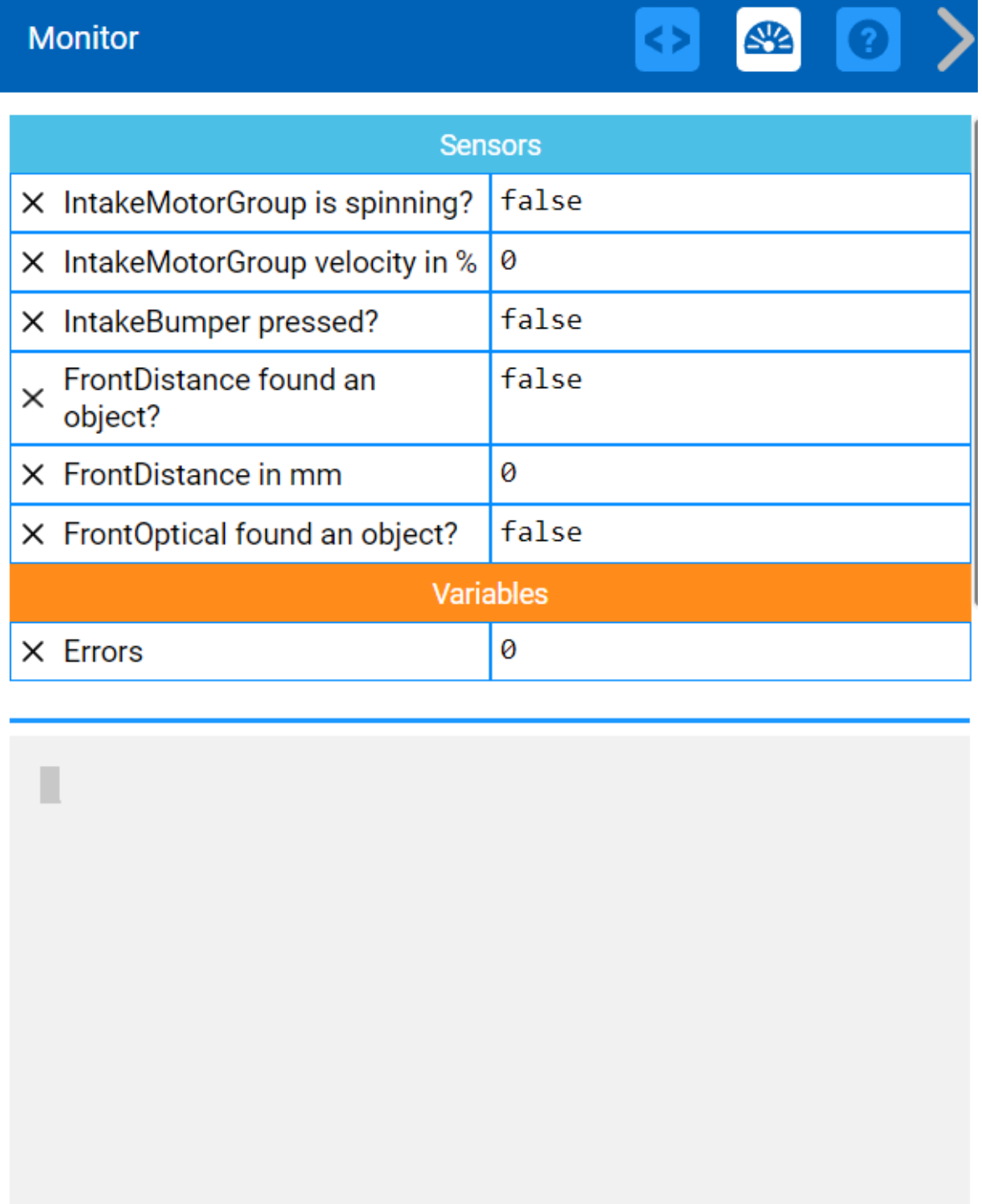
This code is a My Block scripted for the online Byte to raise his arm, spin his outtake, then drop his arm.

OUTPUT



Pretty self explanatory. Spins the outtake of the online Byte for 1 turn.

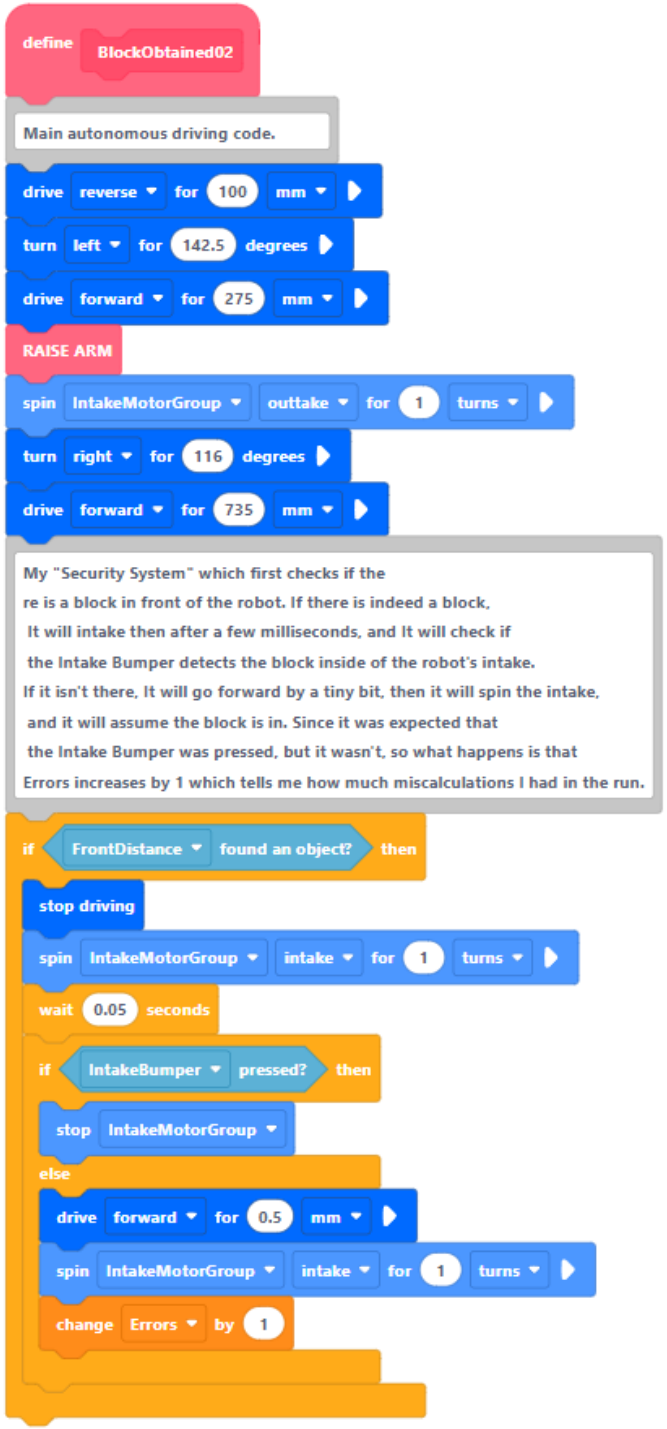
The Monitor



Inside the monitor, I get to see values and true/false of Sensors and Variables. At the end of every run, I check my custom variable “Errors”. What it does is that I have a security system that checks if I had any miscalculations about the positions of the cubes on the map. I can see the number of cubes that I would’ve missed if I did not have a “Security System” so I often fix my code thanks to the Monitor and it’s amazing functions. I use a total of one variable from my “Security System”, which I will show later, and I also use 6 different sensors in my Monitor.

Path #1 (BlockObtained01)

The first path in my route. Inside are the motion/drivetrain blocks for the path and my “security system”. I explained my “Security System” in the picture.



Path #2 (BlockObtained02)

The second path in my route. Inside are the motion/drivetrain blocks for the path and my “Security System”, which I have explained in the picture

Path #3 (BlockObtained03)

The third path in my route. Inside are the motion/drivetrain blocks for the path and my “Security System”, which I have explained in the picture

Path #4 (BlockObtained04)

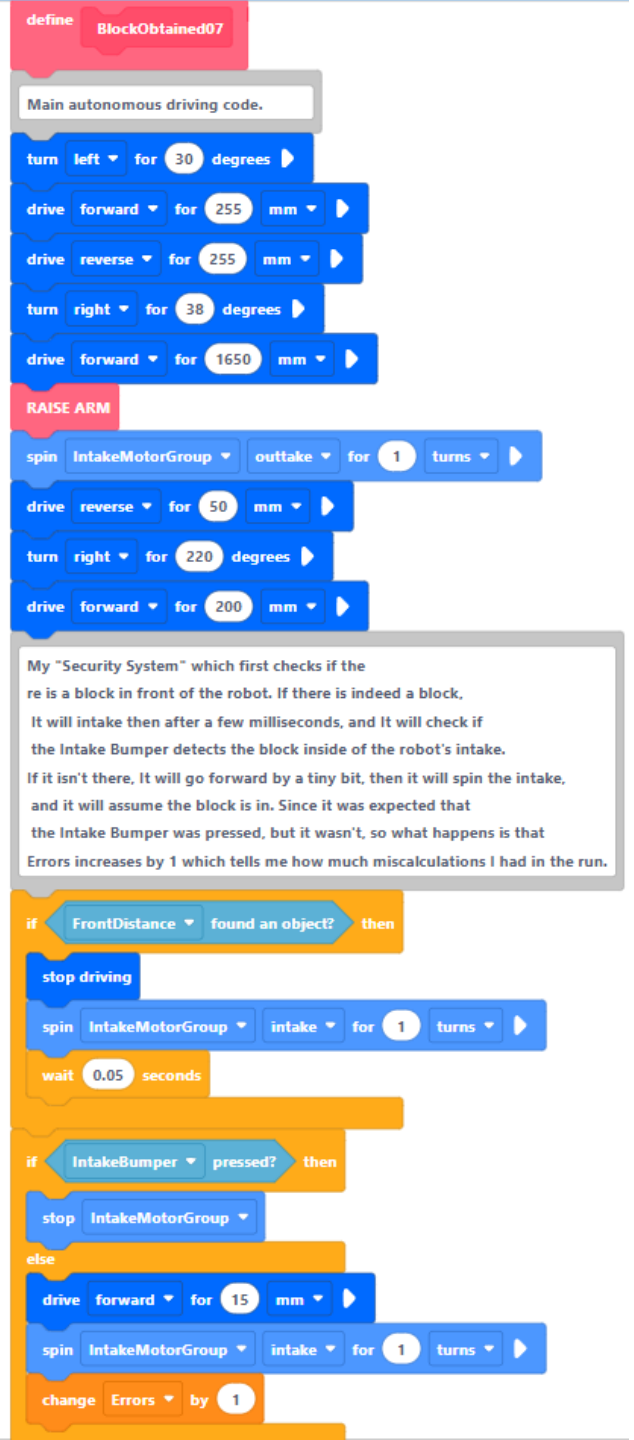
The fourth path in my route. Inside are the motion/drivetrain blocks for the path and my “Security System”, which I have explained in the picture

Path #5 (BlockObtained05)

The fifth path in my route. Inside are the motion/drivetrain blocks for the path and my “Security System”, which I have explained in the picture

Path #6 (BlockObtained06)

The sixth path in my route. Inside are the motion/drivetrain blocks for the path and my “Security System”, which I have explained in the picture



Path #7 (BlockObtained07)

The seventh path in my route. Inside are the motion/drivetrain blocks for the path and my “Security System”, which I have explained in the picture

Path #8 (BlockObtained08)

The last path in my route. Inside are the motion/drivetrain blocks for the path and my “Security System” is not needed, as I am not picking up any blocks.

Thanks for reading!

This took me a bunch of time and it spent a lot of my homework time. Thank you so much for reading and I hope you understand well my code, intentions, and improvements. For your information, this code is heavily relied on My Blocks, The Monitor, and Sensors/Variables.