

# TRIGONOMETRY GAME



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## ABSTRACT

The objective is to create a game for students to measure distances and the calculation of angles.

The teacher will draw a geometric figure on a paper board with different color cards, red for the edges and green cards for the vertices.

Students will have to go through these figures with the mBot through requests that the software will ask the user.

## DIDACTIC OBJECTIVES

- ❖ The student applies the formula  $\text{Speed} = \text{Path} / \text{Time}$ .
- ❖ Student understands the edge-angle formula of equilateral polygons.
- ❖ Student knows the Scalene triangle and their environmental formulas.
- ❖ Student knows the area of square and the formulas of the environment.

STEM Subject:    Science             Technology             Engineering             Mathematics

Education Level:            12-14 years             14-16 years

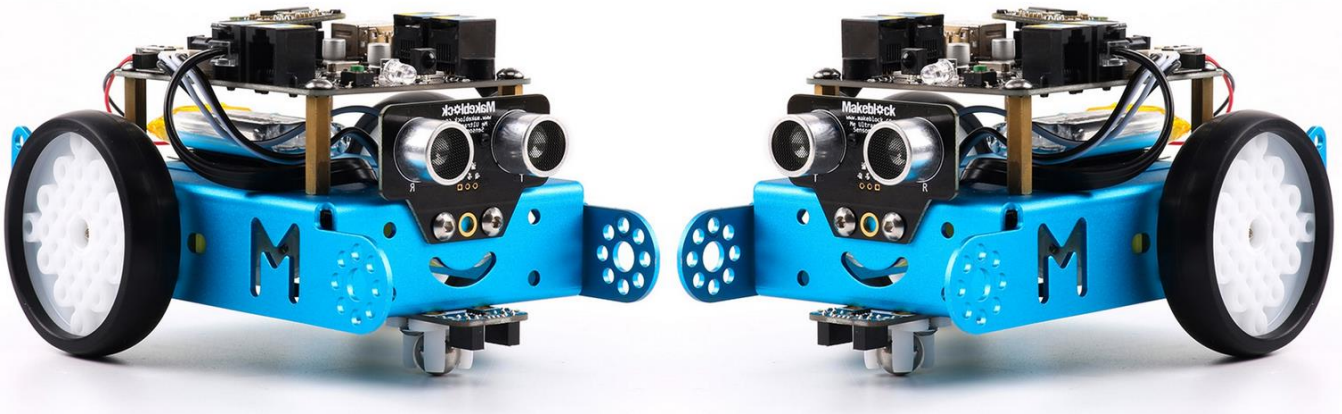
## PROBLEM STATEMENT

Some students have difficulty calculating angles and measuring distances, so from a game they will perform with the mBots, they will help them carry out these operations.



## BOM (Bill of Materials Needed)

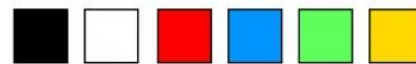
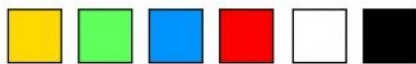
- (x2) mBot => Ref. 90054



- ❖ mBot Ranger (temporizator)



- ❖ (x2) Colour Sensors for each mBot:



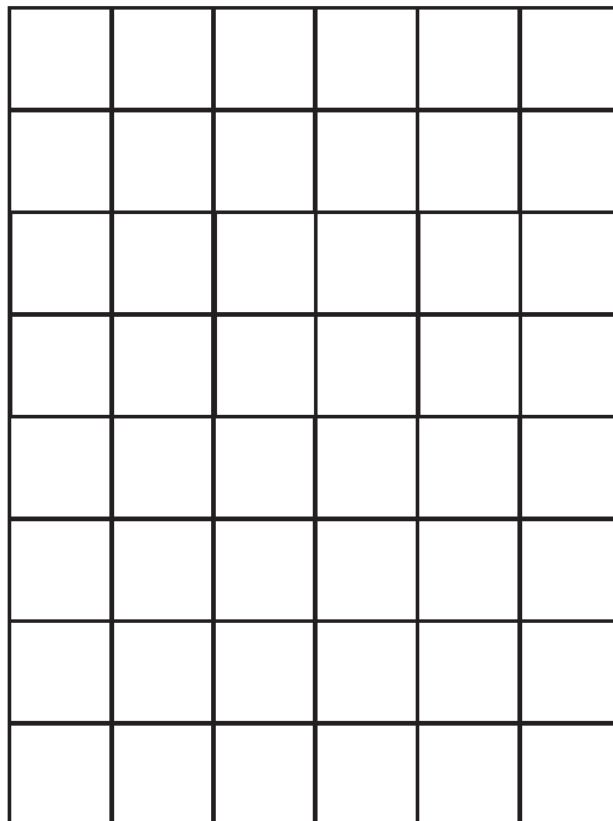
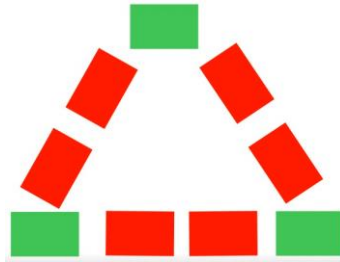
ELEMENT	ID	CABLE	AMOUNT	PORT 1			PORT 2			PORT 3				PORT 4				P.MOT1	P.MOT2
				Y	B	W	Y	B	W	Y	B	W	Bl	Y	B	W	Bl	W*	W*
Mbot Robot 2'4G			2																
Motor 1	W*																W*		
Motor 2	W*																	W*	
Me RJ 25 adapter	Y																		
	B																		
	Bl																		
Mini Pan-Tilt kit																			
It has 2 servos.																			
We have to connect the servo to a RJ25 adapter																			
Mini Gripper																			
We have to connect the servo to a RJ25 adapter																			
Me 7-Segment serial display	B																		
Me Led Matrix 8x16	B	(1)	2										B						
Me Ultrasonic sensor	Y																		
Me Temperature Sensor - Waterproof	Y																		
Me Line Follower	B																		
Me Flame sensor	Bl																		
Me PIR Motion sensor	B																		
Me Sound sensor	Bl																		
Me Touch sensor	B																		
Mini Fan Pack	B																		
Me Color Sensor	B	(1)	2			B													
Me Temperature and Humidity sensor	Y																		
Me 130 Motor Fan Pack	B																		
RJ25 cables			4																
Structures and beams																			
Laptops																			
Attrezzo (not essential)																			

## ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

### First version

The activity consists in create a game for students to measure distances and the calculation of angles. The teacher will draw a geometric figure on a paper board with different color cards, red for the edges and green cards for the vertices and checkpoints. Then, students will have to go through these figures with the mBot through requests that the software will ask the user.

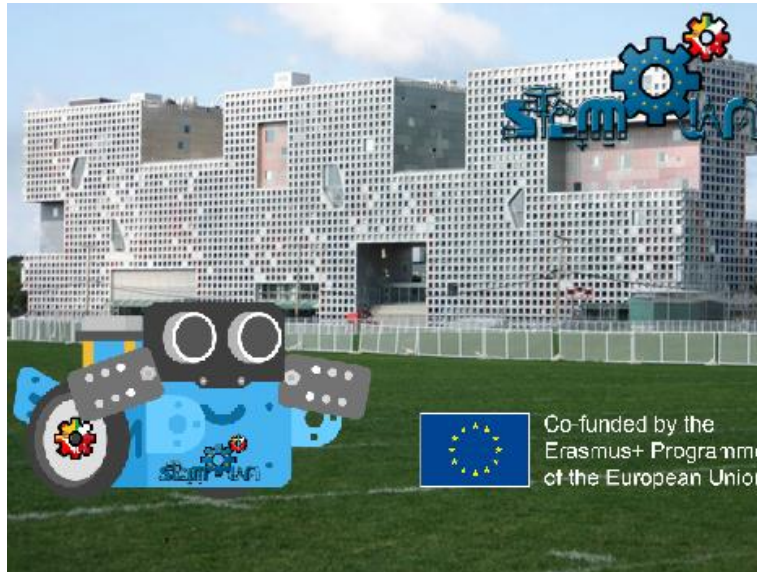
The first step, is design the paper board (you can find in the activity's folder) and the different cards:





The next step, is create the software for the game:

1. Design the scenes for the game:



2. Start the Programming:

a. We create the variables that we need in our software:

The screenshot shows the 'Data & Blocks' menu in Scratch. The variables listed are: Box1, Box2, Box3, Checkpoints, Mistakes, Puntuation, advance, degrees, mBot\_SpeedBack, mBot\_SpeedGo, and return. Red arrows group Box1-3, Mistakes, and Puntuation. Green arrows point to Checkpoints, advance, degrees, and return. Explanatory text is provided for each group.

Variable	Description
Box1, Box2, Box3	Here, we display the different options that the user may be done
Checkpoints	For display the checkpoints that the user has got
Mistakes, Puntuation	For calculate the mistakes and hits
advance	The CMs that mBot advance
degrees	The degrees that mBot turn right
mBot_SpeedBack, mBot_SpeedGo	These variables are the speed that mBot advance or return
return	The CMs that mBot go backward

b. The code when the game starts is the following:

```
when green flag clicked
hide variable Box1
hide variable Box2
hide variable Box3
hide variable Checkpoints
set degrees to 0
set advance to 0
set return to 0
set mBot_SpeedGo to 100
set mBot_SpeedBack to -100
set Checkpoints to 3
set Box1 to 
set Box2 to 
set Box3 to 
broadcast Game Start
```

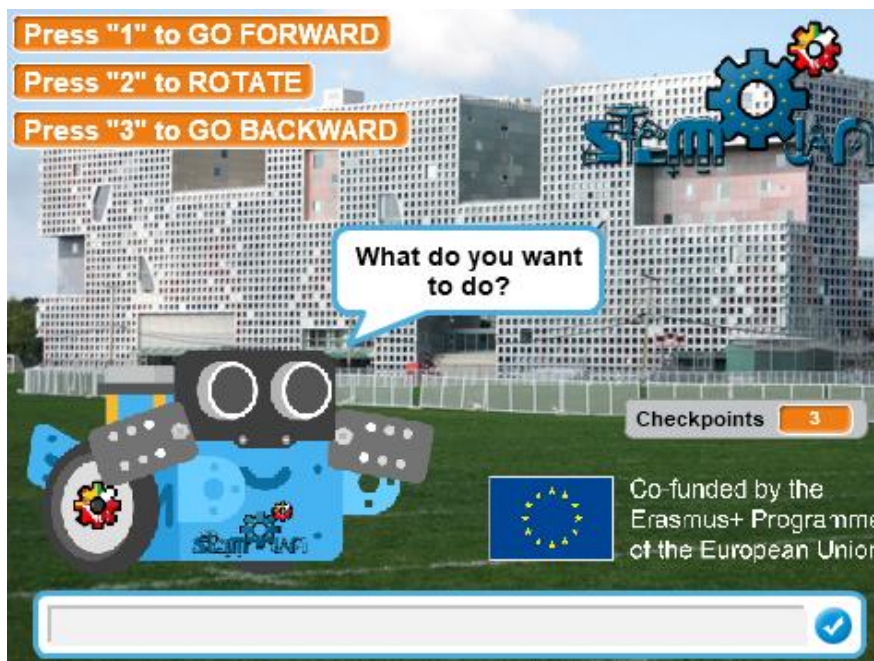
c. The "WELCOME" screen code is:

```
when I receive Game Start
say Hello! for 2 secs
say Welcome to the great MBOT trigonometry con for 3 secs
ask What is the name of your team and wait
repeat until not answer = 
  ask Please, insert the name of your tea and wait
say join Great answer for 2 secs
say Let's GO for 2 secs
decision
```



d. The software ask to user the operation that he or she wants to do:

```
define decision
  show variable Box1
  show variable Box2
  show variable Box3
  show variable Checkpoints
  set Box1 to Press "1" to GO FORWARD
  set Box2 to Press "2" to ROTATE
  set Box3 to Press "3" to GO BACKWARD
  ask What do you want to do and wait
  if answer = 1 then
    advance
  if answer = 2 then
    rotate
  if answer = 3 then
    return
repeat until not answer = [ ] and answer = 1 or answer = 2 or answer = 3
  ask Please, insert the correct num and wait
  if answer = 1 then
    advance
  if answer = 2 then
    rotate
  if answer = 3 then
    return
```



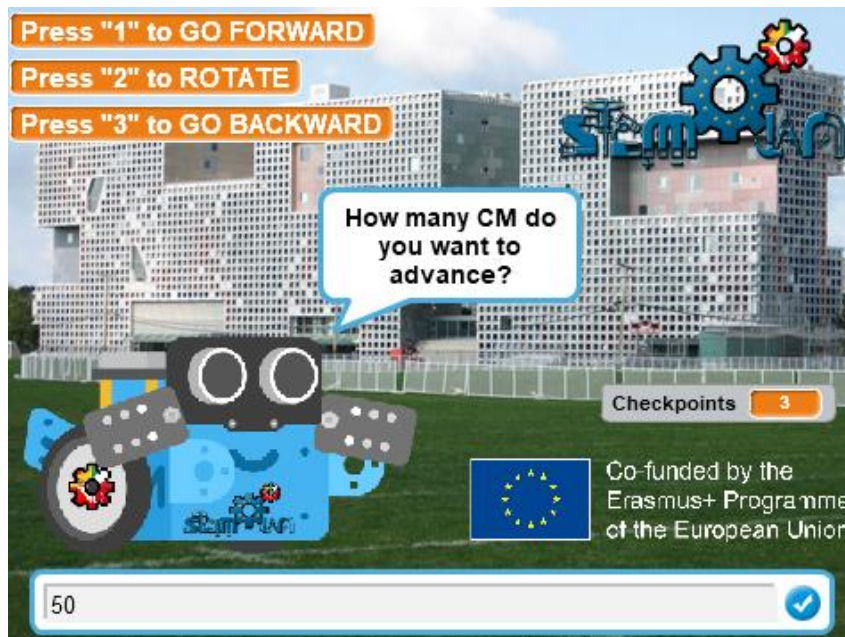
The “checkpoints” indicates the missing checkpoints to pass.





e. If you select the first option, "go forward", the codes is the following:

```
define advance
  ask How many CM do you want to advance and wait
  set advance to answer * 4.1 / 50
  say join Your mBot goes forward join answer cm for 2 secs
  set motor M1 speed mBot_SpeedGo
  set motor M2 speed mBot_SpeedGo
  if (ArduinoMode ONLY) colorsensor Port1 detected green then
    show drawing Port4 x: 0 y: 0 draw: [drawing]
    play tone on note C4 beat Half
    set Checkpoints to Checkpoints - 1
    if Checkpoints = 0 then
      say Good job!! You can return to the departure bd for 2 secs
      set Checkpoints to 3
    wait 2 secs
    show drawing Port4 x: 0 y: 0 draw: [drawing]
  wait advance secs
  run forward at speed 0
decision
```

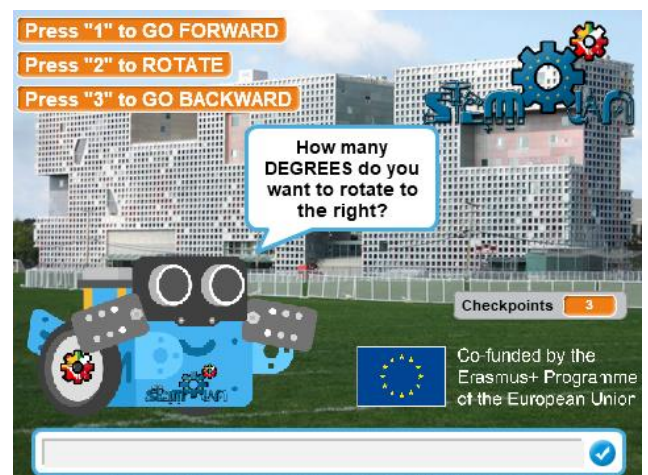


When the mBot passes over a green card, the color sensor will detect it and show a smile.

```
if (ArduinoMode ONLY)coloursensor Port1 detected green then
  show drawing Port4 x: 0 y: 0 draw: 😊
  play tone on note C4 beat Half
  set Checkpoints to Checkpoints - 1
  if Checkpoints = 0 then
    say Good job!! You can return to the departure bo for 2 secs
    set Checkpoints to 3
  wait 2 secs
  show drawing Port4 x: 0 y: 0 draw: 😊
```

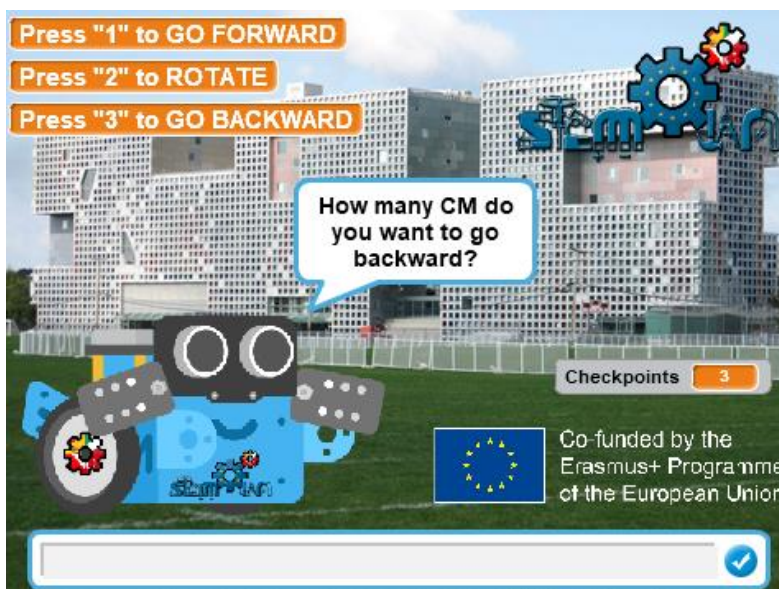
f. And if the user select the second option, “rotate”:

```
define rotate
  ask How many DEGREES do you want to rotate to the right and wait
  set degrees to answer * 0.77 / 90
  say join Your mBot rotates join answer degrees for 2 secs
  show drawing Port4 x: 0 y: 0 draw: ➡
  set motor M1 speed mBot_SpeedGo
  set motor M2 speed mBot_SpeedBack
  wait degrees secs
  run forward at speed 0
  if (ArduinoMode ONLY)coloursensor Port1 detected green then
    show drawing Port4 x: 0 y: 0 draw: 😊
    play tone on note C4 beat Half
    set Checkpoints to Checkpoints - 1
    if Checkpoints = 0 then
      say Good job!! You can return to the departure bo for 2 secs
      set Checkpoints to 3
    wait 2 secs
    show drawing Port4 x: 0 y: 0 draw: 😊
  decision
```



g. For return, the code is very similar than the first option:

```
define return
ask How many CM do you want to go backward and wait
set return to answer * 4,1 / 50
say join Your mBot goes backward join answer cm for 2 secs
set motor M1 speed mBot_SpeedBack
set motor M2 speed mBot_SpeedBack
wait return secs
run forward at speed 0
if (ArduinoMode ONLY)colosensor Port1 detected green then
show drawing Port4 x: 0 y: 0 draw:
play tone on note C4 beat Half
set Checkpoints to Checkpoints - 1
if Checkpoints = 0 then
say Good job!! You can return to the departure bo for 2 secs
set Checkpoints to 3
wait 2 secs
show drawing Port4 x: 0 y: 0 draw:
decision
```



### 3. The resulting code would be:

```

define advance
  ask How many CM do you want to advance and wait
  set advance* to answer * 4.3 / 60
  say join Your mBot goes forward join answer cm for 2 secs
  set motor (M1) speed mBot_SpeedGo
  set motor (M2) speed mBot_SpeedGo
  if (Arduino Mode ONLY)color sensor (Port1) detected green? then
    show drawing (Port1) x: 0 y: 0 draw: 200
    play tone on note (C4) beat (Half)
    set Checkpoints* to Checkpoints - 1
    if Checkpoints = 0 then
      say Good job!! You can return to the departure! for 2 secs
      set Checkpoints* to 3
    wait 2 secs
    show drawing (Port1) x: 0 y: 0 draw: 200
  wait advance secs
  run forward at speed 0
  decision

define rotate
  ask How many DEGREES do you want to rotate to the and wait
  set degrees* to answer * 0.77 / 60
  say join Your mBot rotates join answer degrees for 2 secs
  show drawing (Port1) x: 0 y: 0 draw: 200
  set motor (M1) speed mBot_SpeedGo
  set motor (M2) speed mBot_SpeedBack
  wait degrees secs
  run forward at speed 0
  if (Arduino Mode ONLY)color sensor (Port1) detected green? then
    show drawing (Port1) x: 0 y: 0 draw: 200
    play tone on note (C4) beat (Half)
    set Checkpoints* to Checkpoints - 1
    if Checkpoints = 0 then
      say Good job!! You can return to the departure! for 2 secs
      set Checkpoints* to 3
    wait 2 secs
    show drawing (Port1) x: 0 y: 0 draw: 200
  decision

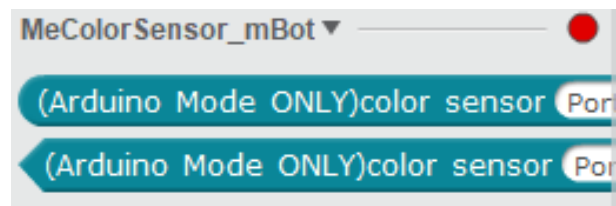
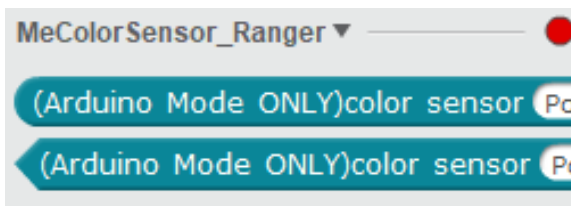
define return
  ask How many CM do you want to go backward and wait
  set return* to answer * 4.3 / 60
  say join Your mBot goes backward join answer cm for 2 secs
  set motor (M1) speed mBot_SpeedBack
  set motor (M2) speed mBot_SpeedBack
  wait return secs
  run forward at speed 0
  if (Arduino Mode ONLY)color sensor (Port1) detected green? then
    show drawing (Port1) x: 0 y: 0 draw: 200
    play tone on note (C4) beat (Half)
    set Checkpoints* to Checkpoints - 1
    if Checkpoints = 0 then
      say Good job!! You can return to the departure! for 2 secs
      set Checkpoints* to 3
    wait 2 secs
    show drawing (Port1) x: 0 y: 0 draw: 200
  decision

define decision
  show variable Box1*
  show variable Box2*
  show variable Box3*
  show variable Checkpoints*
  set Box1* to Press "1" to GO FORWARD
  set Box2* to Press "2" to ROTATE
  set Box3* to Press "3" to GO BACKWARD
  ask What do you want to and wait
  if answer = 1 then
    advance
  if answer = 2 then
    rotate
  if answer = 3 then
    return
  repeat until not answer = 1 and answer = 1 or answer = 2 or answer = 3
  ask Please, insert the correct num and wait
  if answer = 1 then
    advance
  if answer = 2 then
    rotate
  if answer = 3 then
    return

when I receive Game Start
  say Hello for 2 secs
  say Welcome to the great MBOT trigonometry club for 3 secs
  ask What is the name of your bot and wait
  repeat until not answer =
  ask Please, insert the name of your bot and wait
  say join Great answer for 2 secs
  say Let's GO! for 2 secs
  decision
  
```

For install the library on mBlock:

- We need to install the library on mBlock:

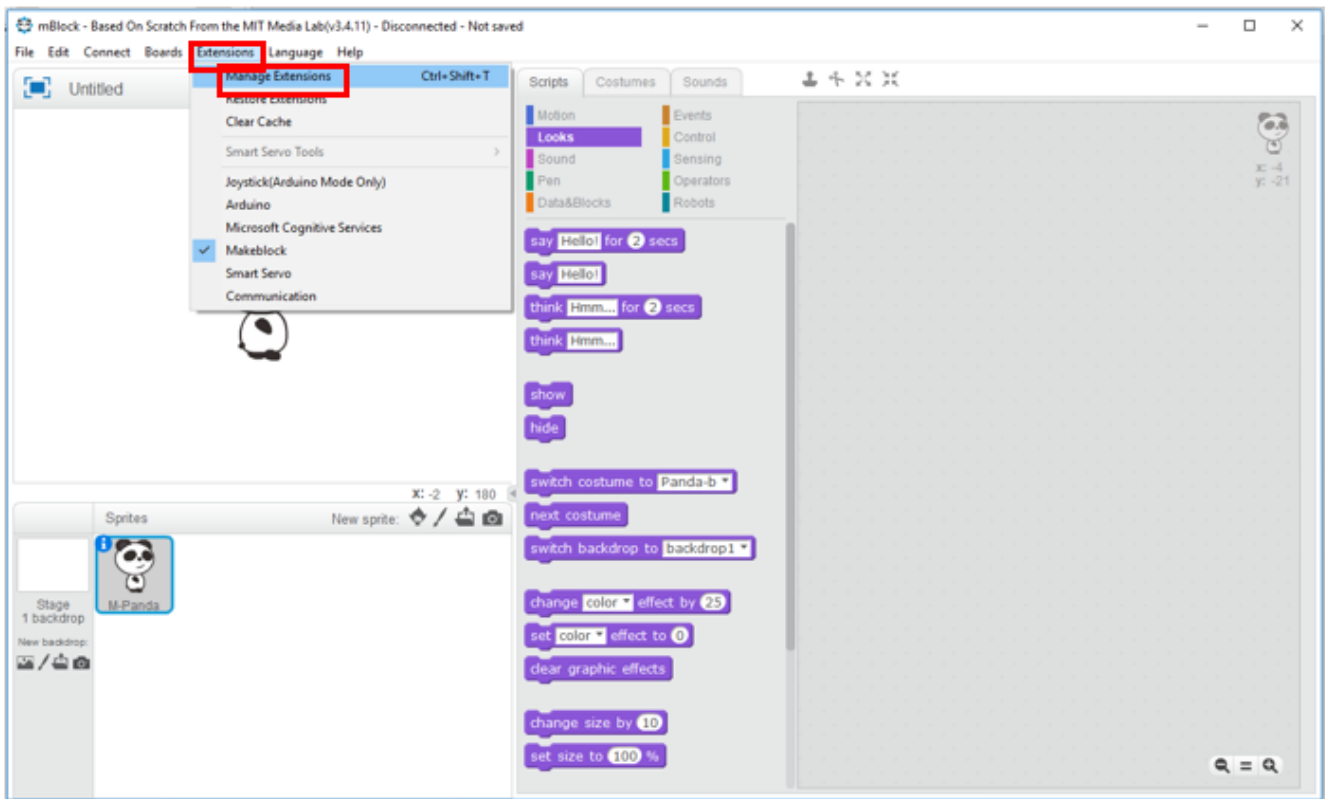


- Nowadays, it only works if we upload the code on the board.

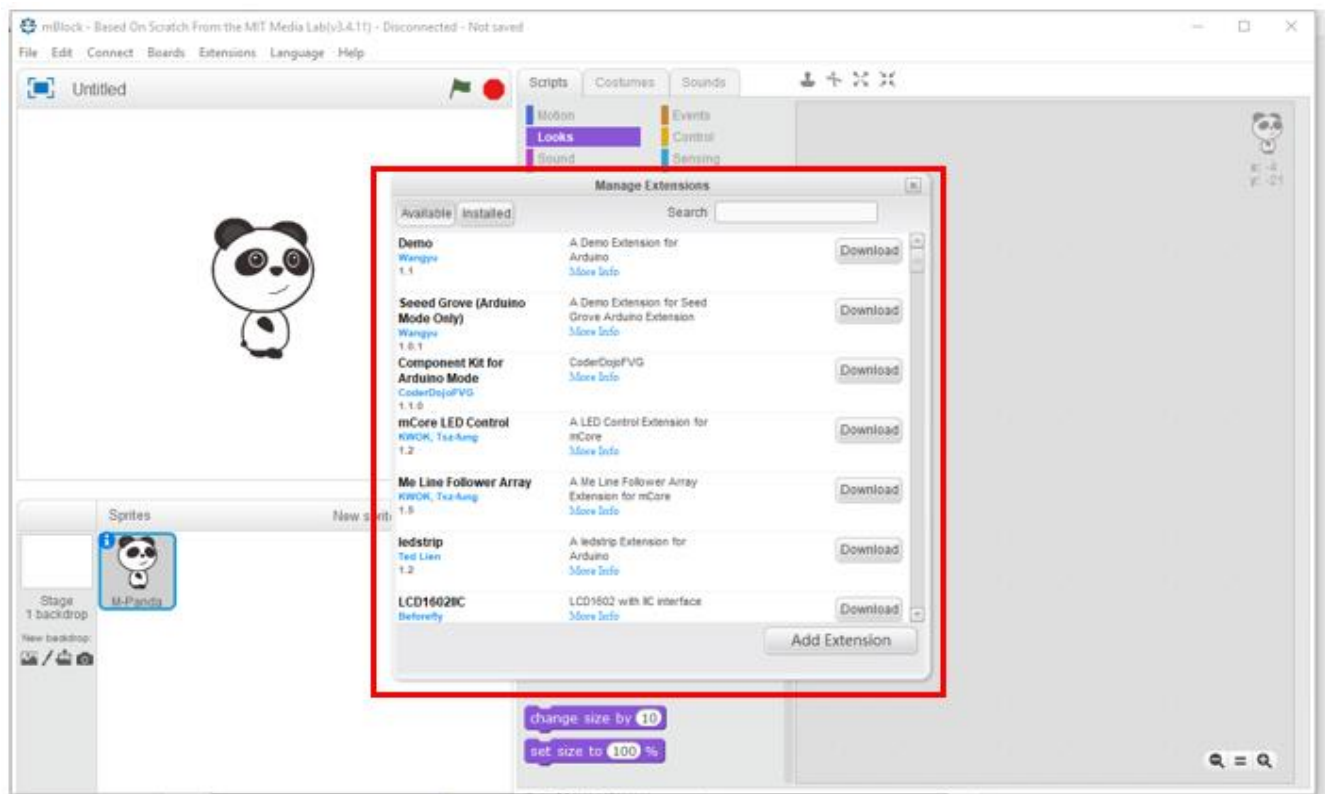


For install the colour sensor library, we follow the next steps:

1. Start the mBlock software and go to “Extensions” => “Manage Extensions”:

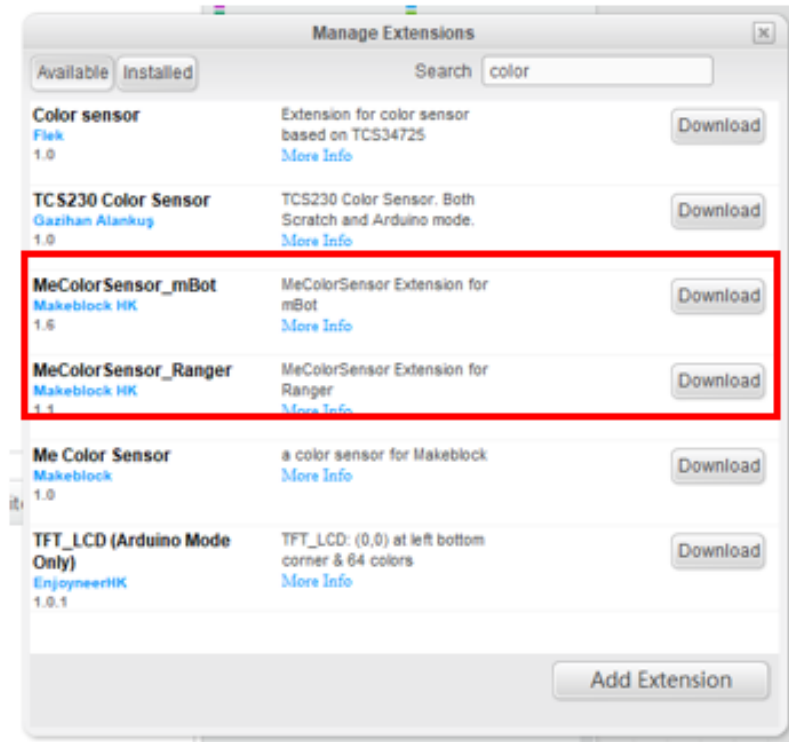


2. A new window will appear:



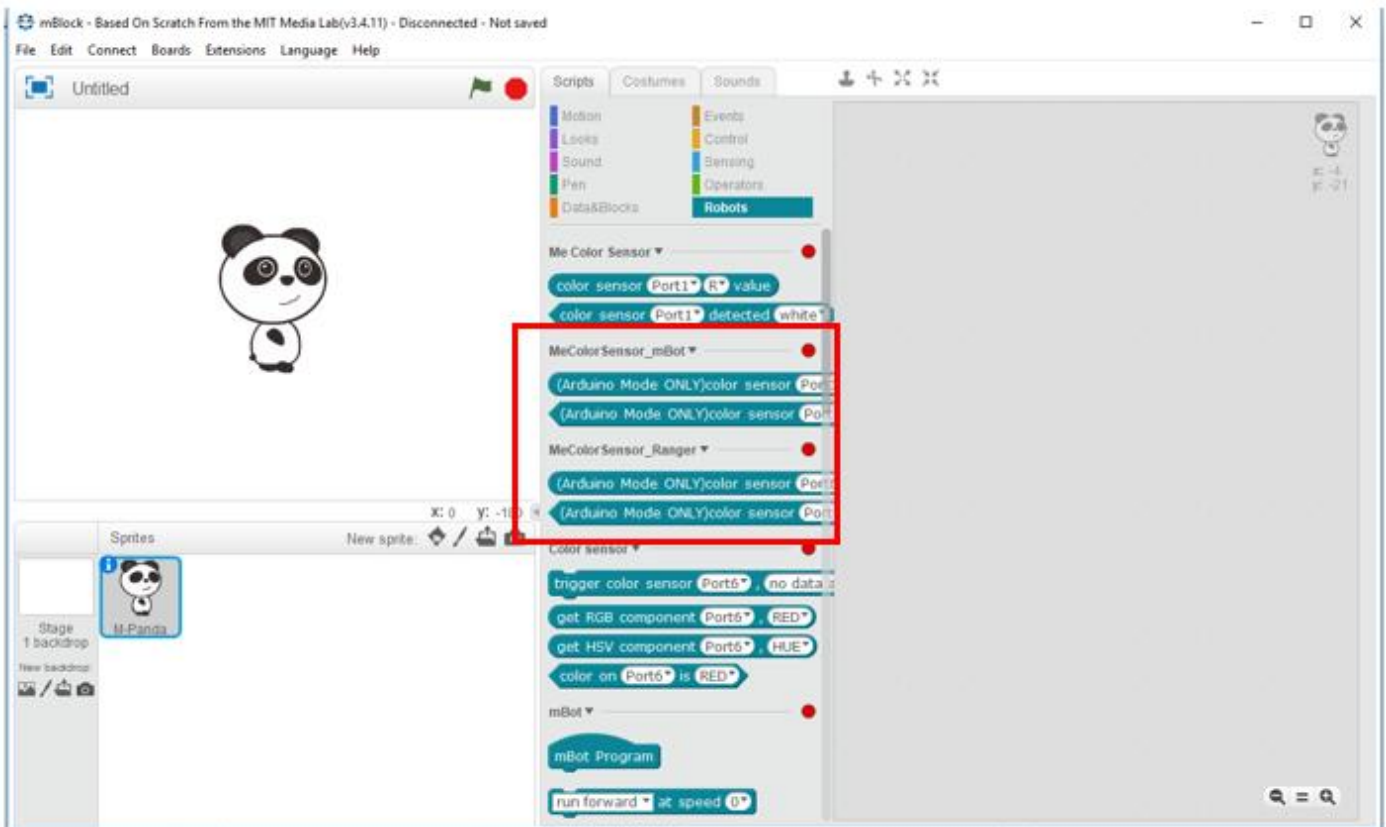


3. Insert the “color” word in the searcher:



4. The “MeColorSensor\_mBot” and the “MeColorSensor\_Ranger” will appear. Now, click on “download”.

5. If everything went well, the installed libraries will appear in the "robots" section.



Now, we develop the temporizator code with mBot Ranger:



```

define Minute0
set led on board 1 red 0 green 255 blue 0

define Second30
set led on board 2 red 0 green 255 blue 0

define Minute1
set led on board 3 red 0 green 255 blue 0

define Minute1_30
set led on board 4 red 0 green 255 blue 0

define Minute2
set led on board 5 red 0 green 255 blue 0

define Minute2_30
set led on board 6 red 0 green 255 blue 0

define Minute3
set led on board 1 red 255 green 150 blue 0
set led on board 2 red 255 green 150 blue 0
set led on board 3 red 255 green 150 blue 0
set led on board 4 red 255 green 150 blue 0
set led on board 5 red 255 green 150 blue 0
set led on board 6 red 255 green 150 blue 0
set led on board 7 red 255 green 150 blue 0

define Minute3_30
set led on board 8 red 255 green 150 blue 0

define Minute4
set led on board 9 red 255 green 150 blue 0

define Minute4_30
set led on board 1 red 255 green 60 blue 0
set led on board 2 red 255 green 60 blue 0
set led on board 3 red 255 green 60 blue 0
set led on board 4 red 255 green 60 blue 0
set led on board 5 red 255 green 60 blue 0
set led on board 6 red 255 green 60 blue 0
set led on board 7 red 255 green 60 blue 0
set led on board 8 red 255 green 60 blue 0
set led on board 9 red 255 green 60 blue 0

define Minute5
set led on board 11 red 255 green 60 blue 0

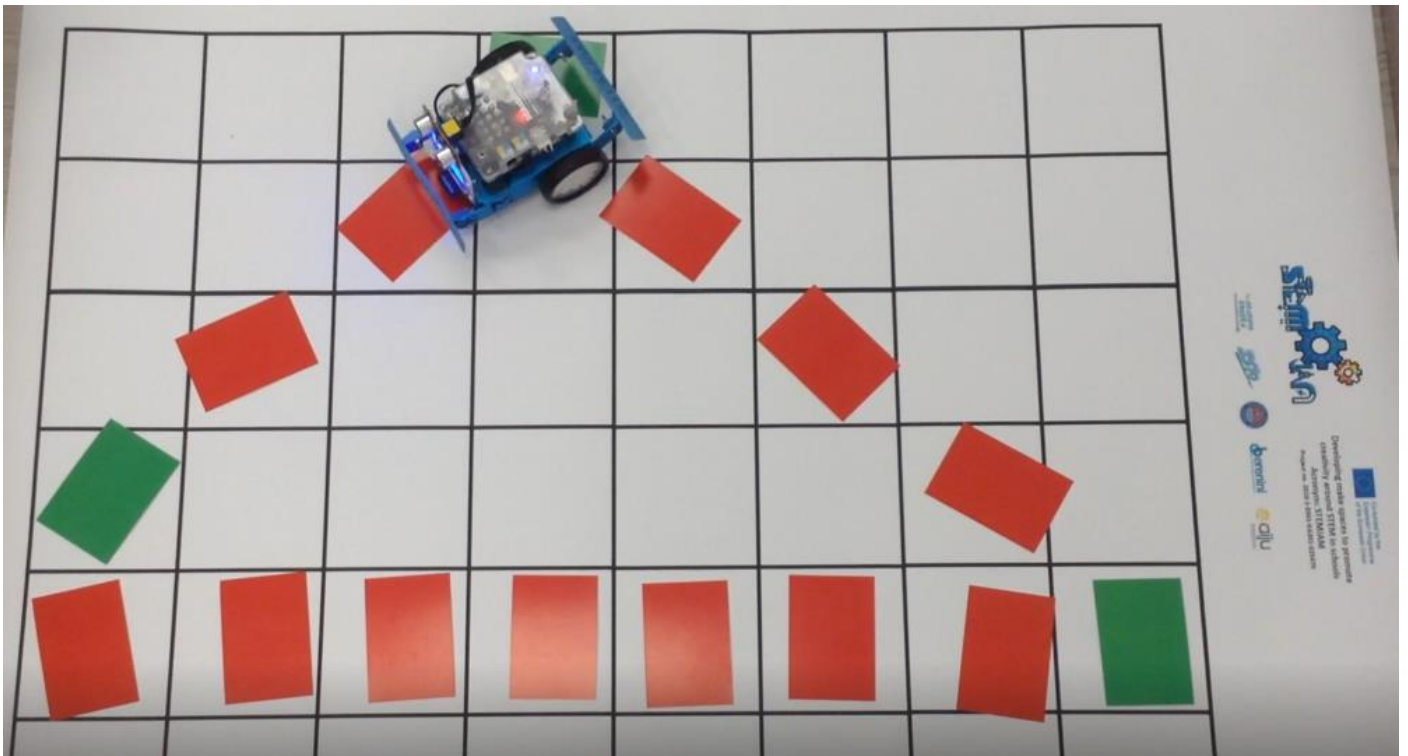
define Minute5_30
repeat 10
set led on board all red 255 green 0 blue 0
wait 0.5 secs
set led on board all red 0 green 0 blue 0
wait 0.5 secs
    
```

**Auriga Program**

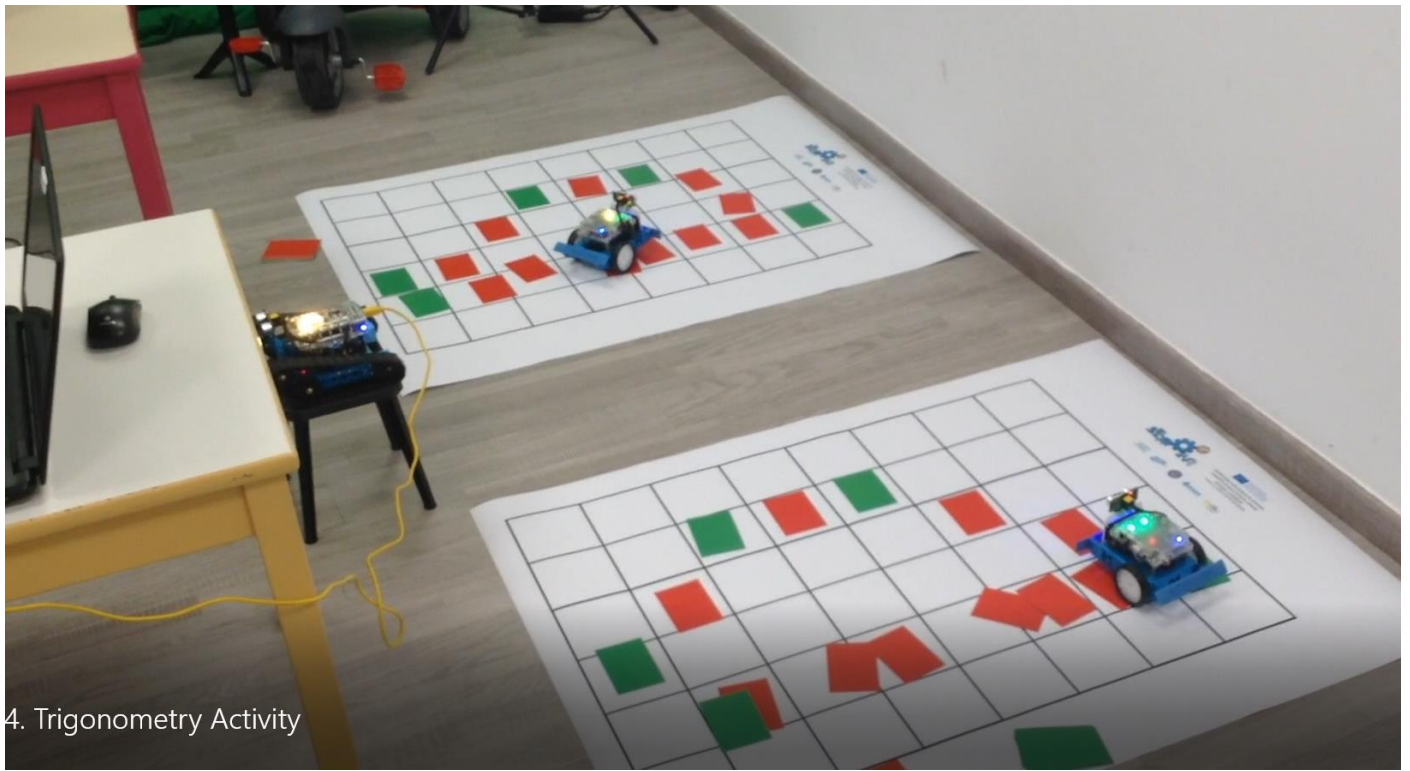
```

forever
set led on board all red 0 green 0 blue 0
wait 1 secs
Minute0
wait 1 secs
Second30
wait 1 secs
Minute1
wait 1 secs
Minute1_30
wait 1 secs
Minute2
wait 1 secs
Minute2_30
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wait 1 secs
Minute5_30
    
```

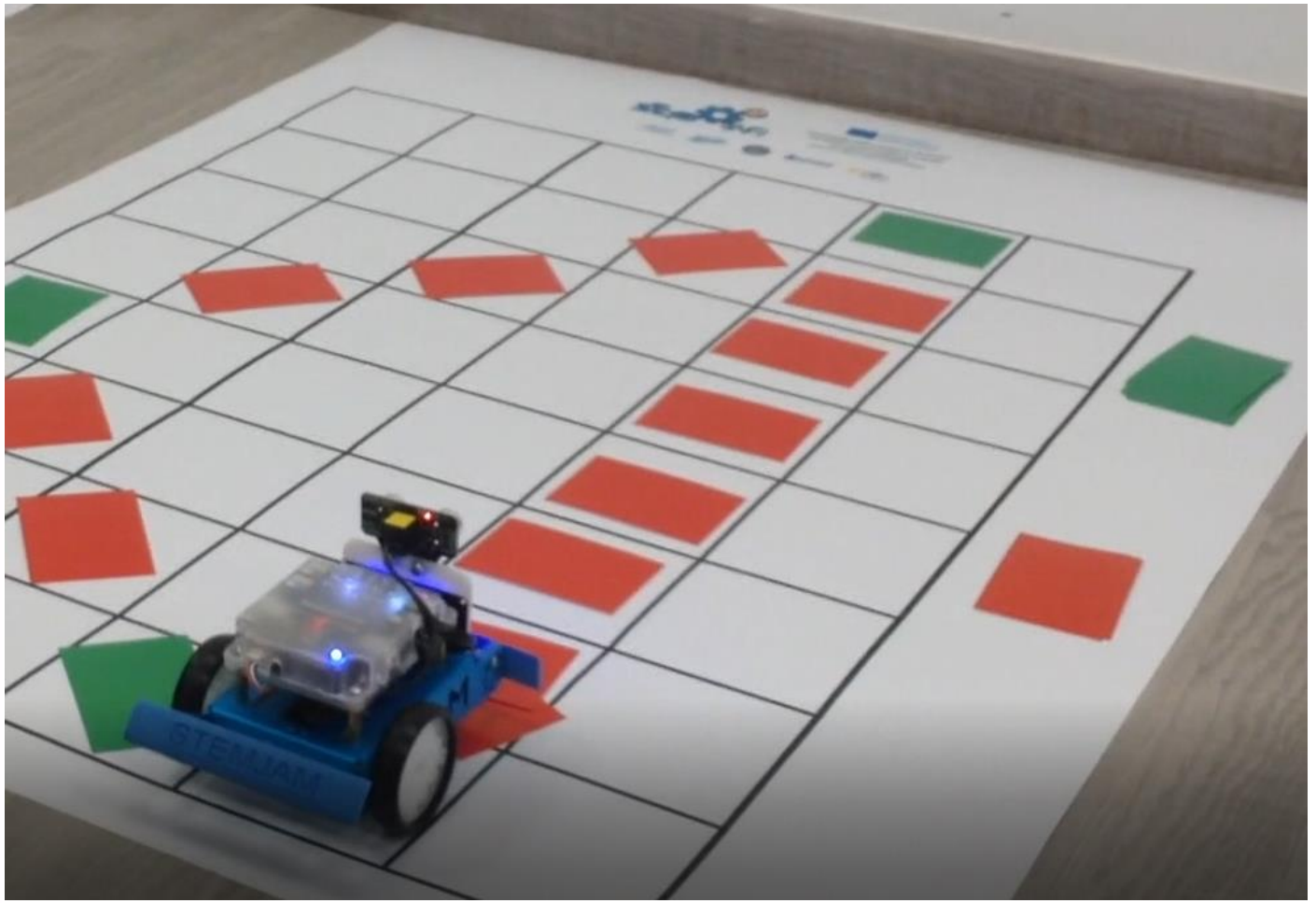
For finally the activity description, we show some images for the activity:





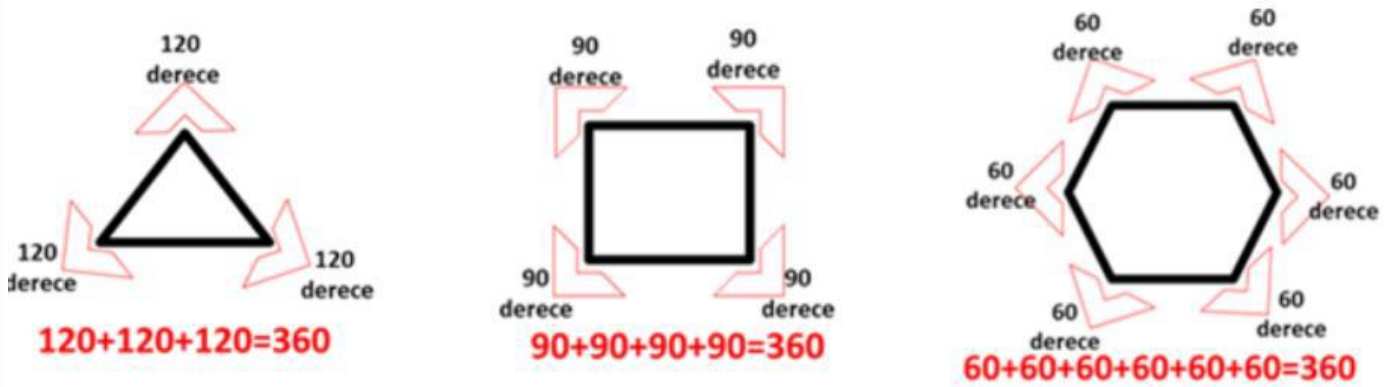


4. Trigonometry Activity



## Second Version

Step 1: We calculated the distance for mBot. We accepted the speed option as 100.



Step 2: Angle-to-edge coding, improvement and turning coding are performed on the MBot.

```
when I receive start
set numberofline to 0
ask How many gons there should there be? and wait
set numberofline to answer
ask How many cm per edge? and wait
repeat numberofline
  set go to answer * 0.75 / 50
  run forward at speed 100
  wait go secs
  set rotate to 360 / numberofline
  set motor M1 speed 100
  set motor M2 speed 0
  wait rotate * 1.2 / 90 secs
```

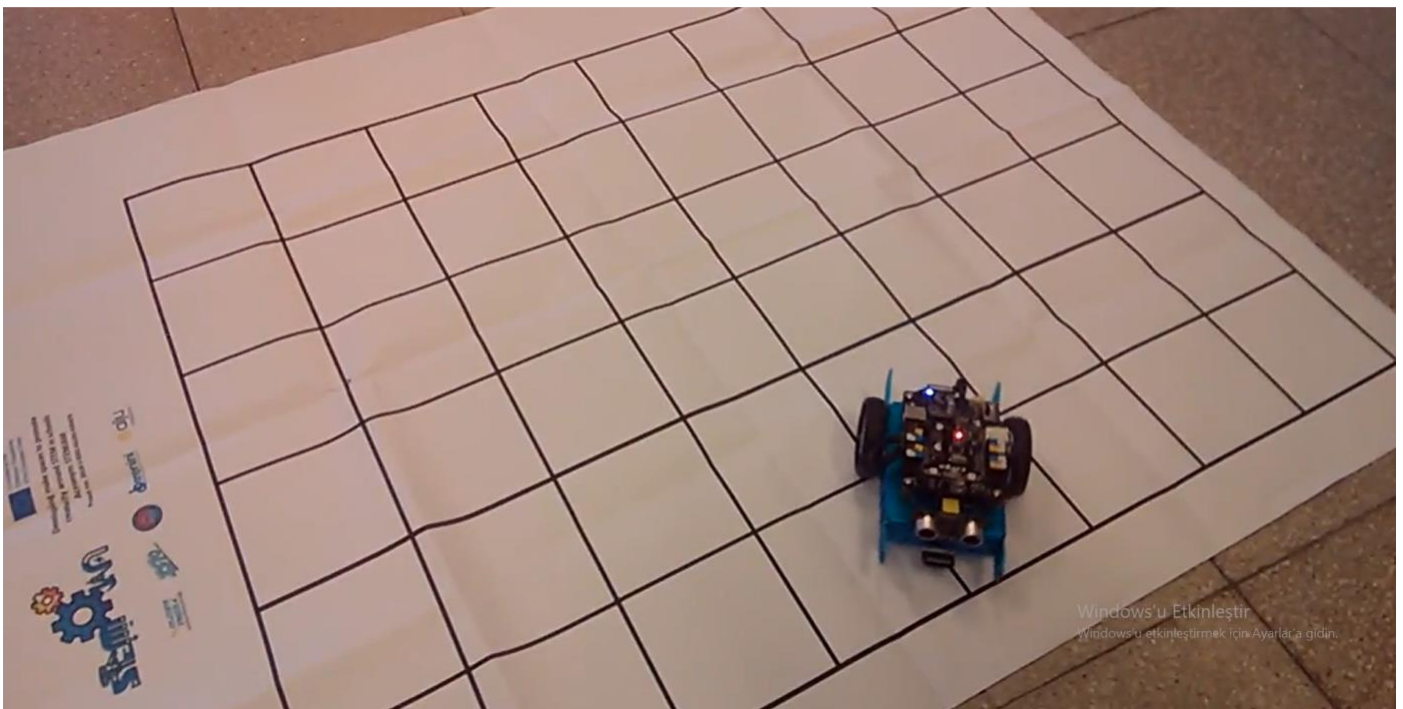


Step 3: We wrote area and perimeter calculation formulas on mBot.

```
define Rectangle
ask Enter the length of the long side, and wait
set long edge to answer
ask Enter the length of the short side, and wait
set short edge to answer
say join The area of this rectangle is join long edge * short edge cm2 for 5 secs
say join The environment of this rectangle is join 2 * long edge + short edge cm for 5 secs

define Triangle
ask Enter the length of the first side, and wait
set line1_triangle to answer
ask Enter the length of the second side, and wait
set line2_triangle to answer
ask Enter the length of the third side, and wait
set line3triangle to answer
set s to (line1_triangle + line2_triangle + line3triangle) / 2
say join The area of this triangle is sqrt of s * s - line3triangle * s - line2_triangle * s - line1_triangle for 4 secs
say join The environment of this triangle is line1_triangle + line2_triangle + line3triangle for 4 secs
```

Step 4: We used geometric motions by rulers.

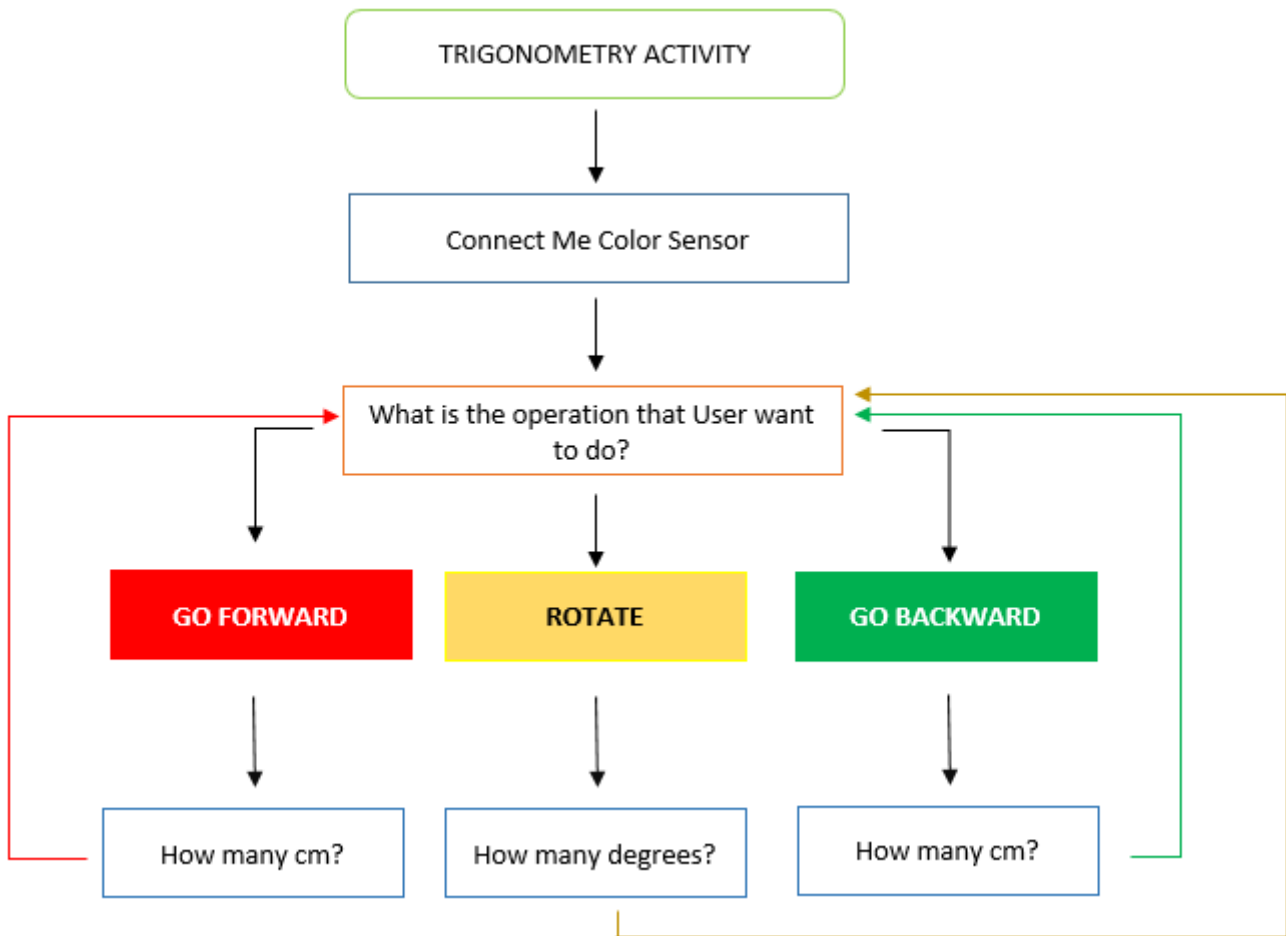


Step 5: We have calculated the polygon area and the perimeter on the screen.



The area of this rectangle is  $300\text{cm}^2$

## FLOW CHART



## STUDENT'S EVALUATION

All students improved themselves about Geometrical shapes and calculating area of polygons.

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

[https://www.makeblock.es/productos/sensor\\_color/](https://www.makeblock.es/productos/sensor_color/)

## MORE INFORMATION

### First Version:

- 1)  $v = x / t$  and time and distance with mBot. Distance is adjusted with keyboard, time/distance were formulated and mBot moved or made a turning. In this activity, it is assumed that the MBot takes an average of 12 cm in one second but depends on battery power.
- 2) We put the colour sensor on the mBot, mBot sense green colour as corner and red colour as edge.

### Second Version:

- 1) We worked on geometry in this activity. We calculated the outside angle of an equilateral polygon. From the user, it is necessary to know how many edges and equilateral polygons should precede the MBot; and then how many centimetres each side should be. The motion is again  $v = x / t$  formula.
- 2) In this activity, we calculated the area and circumference of the geometric bodies. We have defined the formula for each object separately.

