



Learning Unit	
Subject	Programming
Title	Learning Python with Drones
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Description of the unit	The aim of this unit is to learn the basics of programming in Python using programmable drones.
Contents	Programming in Python: - drone piloting - algorithm - using the Pycharm interpreter - sending UDP commands to a drone using the djitellopy library - using the OpenCV library for image acquisition and processing
Learning Outcomes / Skills	Students should be able to: - Develop knowledge of programming; - Develop autonomy in dealing with situations involving programming in their school career and in life in society; - Develop an interest in programming and appreciate its role in the development of other sciences and areas of human and social activity.
Target students/class	Secondary School (15 – 17 years)
Prerequisites	Students should be able to: • Make flowcharts in order to structure the resolution of a problem; • Create pseudocode in order to structure the resolution of a problem; • Use compilers/interpreters; • Identify commands in Python; • Know the Python commands needed to fly a drone; • Identify the libraries needed to send UDP commands.
Time expected	4 hours
Interdisciplinary links	ICT
Methodology	Explanation of contents, solving exercises and problems, resolution of worksheets and pair work.









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Human Resources (internal and/or external)	Technical Studies Teacher	
Resources	Worksheet;Drones Dji Tello;Laptops.	
Lesson Plan	Sumário: Algorithms. Flowcharts. Pseudocode. The teacher introduces the theoretical concepts related to flowcharts and pseudocode. After introducing the concepts and analysing the solved example, the teacher proposes solving, in pairs, exercise 1 of the worksheet. Clarification of doubts. 2nd Lesson: Summary: How does a drone work?. The teacher introduces the theoretical concepts related to drone piloting. The students will have to fly a drone for 10 minutes. 3rd Lesson: Summary: PyCharm interpreter DjiTellopy library The teacher explains the concepts needed to understand the PyCharm interpreter and the DjiTellopy library and carries out a short example exercise. After introducing the concepts, the teacher suggests solving exercises 2, 3 and 4 of the worksheet in pairs. Clarification of doubts. 4th Lesson: Sumário: OpenCV library. The teacher explains the concepts needed to understand the OpenCV library. After introducing the concepts, the teacher suggests solving exercise 5 of the worksheet in pairs. Correction of the exercise by a student.	



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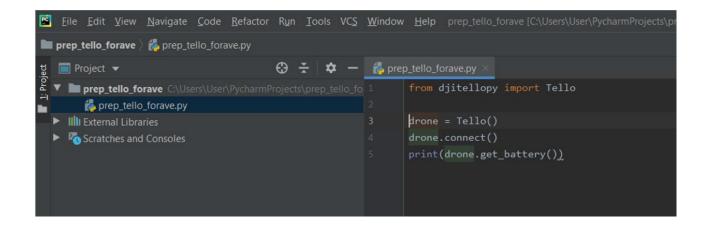


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Assessment	Formative assessment: - Attendance; - Punctuality; - Behaviour: - Attention and participation in class; - Observation of the student's performance in solving the proposed tasks; - Completion of worksheets (direct observation grids).	
21st Century Skills	Critical thinking: students will be able to analyse data during practical experiments and communicate their conclusions. Collaboration: students will be able to collaborate within their groups and with other groups, helping each other to understand the content and experimental activities. Communication: students should be able to share conclusions and doubts with their classmates and teachers. Technological literacy: students will be able to use different technological tools to carry out tasks.	
Remarks		

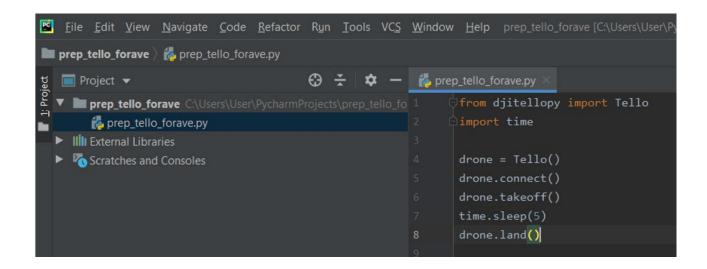


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1 - Create a Python script to acquire battery status via UDP commands:

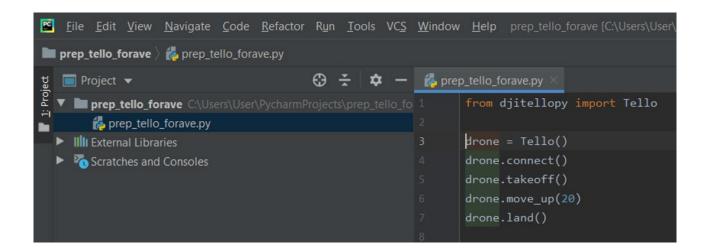


2 - Make a Python script so that the drone takes off and flies for 5 seconds:

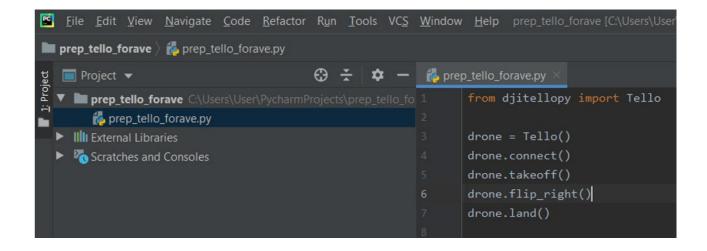




3 - Make a Python script so that the drone takes off, then send a UDP command so that the drone rises another 20 cm and finally lands.



4 - Make a Python script so that the drone takes off, does a flip to the right and finally lands.



- 5 Create a Python script so that the drone takes off, makes a trajectory forming a 20 cm square and at each corner of the square makes a 'flip' to the right.
- 6- Create a Python script so that the drone takes off, takes a photo and lands.