DIY Light-Controlled Motor Forward and Reverse Rotation Module



Overview

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Key Takeaways

You can build a light-controlled DC motor module that rotates forward or reverse using an H-bridge or relay-based circuit triggered by a light sensor.

Core Concept

A light-controlled motor module uses a photoresistor (LDR) or photodiode to detect light intensity. The sensor output is fed into a control circuit that switches the motor direction via either: Relay-based forward/reverse control (DPDT relays with transistors) H-bridge ICs like L293D or L298N for microcontroller-based control The motor rotates forward when light exceeds a threshold and reverse when light falls below it.

Optional PW

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M control allows speed adjustment. Components NeededDC motor (12V recommended)Light sensor: LDR or photodiodeComparator or op-amp (e.g., LM358) to convert light signal to logicRelay DPDT or H-bridge IC (L293D/L298N)NPN transistors (TIP120 or similar) for relay drivingDiodes for flyback protectionResistors and capacitors for sensor conditioningPower supply (matching motor voltage)Optional: Arduino or STM32 microcontroller for PWM and logic control Circuit Design Options1.

Relay-

Based Forward/

Reverse ControlUse a DPDT relay to swap motor polarity.

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R output is connected to a transistor that energizes the relay. When light is detected, the relay switches to forward; when dark, it switches to reverse. Include flyback diodes across the relay coil to protect transistors.

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H-

Bridge IC Control

Connect the motor to an H-bridge IC (L293D or L298N). The light sensor output is fed to the microcontroller or comparator. Logic HIGH/LOW signals control IN1/IN2 pins to set motor direction.

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M can be applied to the enable pin for speed control. 3.

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D Indicators (Optional)Use RGB LEDs to indicate motor direction: e.g., Blue for forward, Red for reverse.

Implementation Tips

Calibrate the LDR voltage divider to set the light threshold. If using a microcontroller, implement debouncing to prevent rapid switching. For higher current motors, use external power transistors or MOSFETs to drive the motor safely.

Ensure the motor stops briefly before reversing to prevent damage to relays or H-bridge ICs.

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Example Workflow

Light falls on LDR → voltage rises → comparator output HIGH → transistor energizes relay → motor rotates forward. Light blocked → voltage drops → comparator output LOW → relay switches → motor rotates reverse. Optional: PWM signal modulates speed based on light intensity.

This setup can be used for solar tracking, robotics, or automated curtains, providing a simple yet effective light-responsive forward/reverse motor control. By combining the relay or H-bridge circuits with a light sensor, you can create a fully functional DIY module without complex programming, or enhance it with a microcontroller for advanced features like PWM speed control and LED indicators.

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