

Human Inputting Devices for DC Motor Control

Class 3: Photoelectrics and Light based Applications



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Photoelectrics and Light based Applications

Agenda

- Photoelectric Devices
- Photoelectric Sensors
- Exploring the Me Light Sensor
- Hands-On Project: Safety Controls

Photoelectric Devices

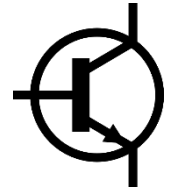


- Often contain solid state switches.
- Solid state switches has
 - a) no moving parts (contacts)
 - b) a SCR (Silicon Controlled Rectifier)
 - c) NPN (current sink) transistor
 - d) PNP (current source) transistor
- Triacs (A solid state AC Switch) is used for switching AC loads

Source:

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- The SCR output is used for switching high power DC loads.
- The current sink and current source transistor outputs are used for switching low power DC loads.

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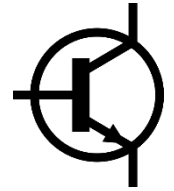
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Question 1

What bipolar transistor is used to source a small electrical or electronics load?

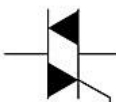
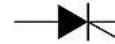
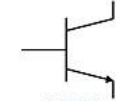
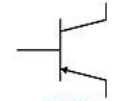
- a) NPN
- b) PNP
- c) Darlington
- d) None of the above

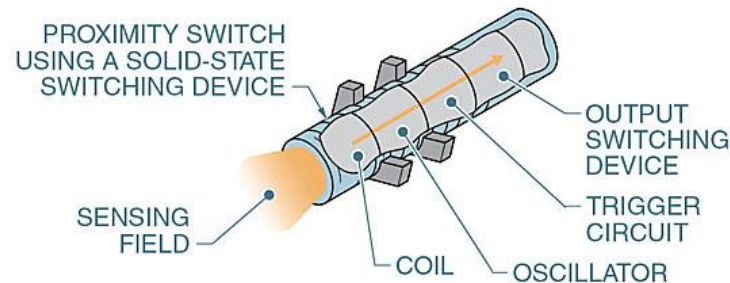
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Output Switching devices Summary:

OUTPUT SWITCHING DEVICES

Device	Use
TRIAC 	Switch AC loads
SCR 	Switch high-power DC loads
 NPN TRANSISTOR  PNP TRANSISTOR	Switch low-power DC loads



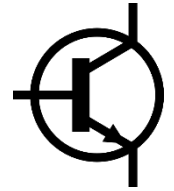
SOLID-STATE SWITCHES

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Examples:

Semiconductor based Photoelectric Devices

Photo-diode



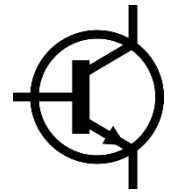
Photo-transistor



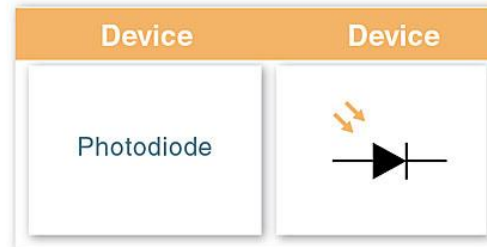
**Opto coupler:
photo-triac based**



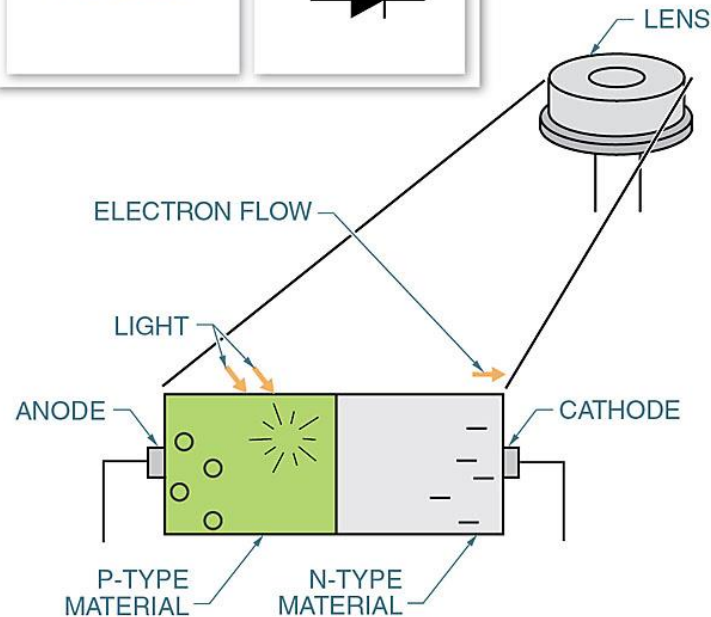
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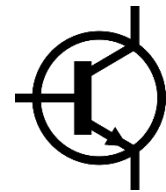
**Photodiode symbol
and semiconductor
structure**



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Electronic symbols

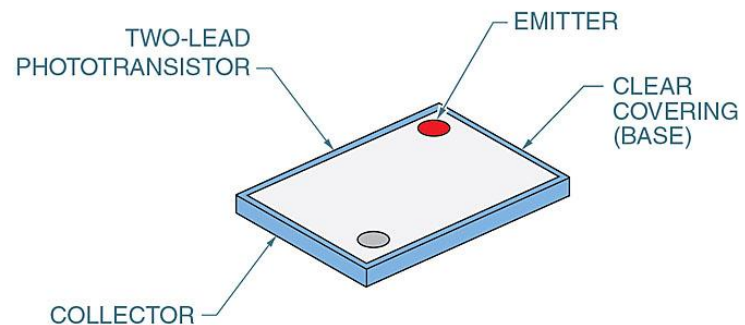
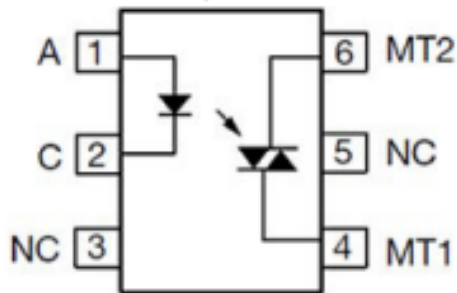
PHOTOTRIACS

Device	Symbol
PHOTOTRIAC	

PHOTOTRANSISTORS

Device	Symbol
PHOTOTRANSISTOR	

6 pin DIP or SMD IC package



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<http://www.vishay.com/docs/84780/appnote34.pdf>

Question 2

Double arrows pointing towards the electronic symbol ties in with what photoelectric operation.

- a) detector
- b) emitter
- c) transceiver
- d) None of the above

Photoelectric Sensor...



- Solid state sensor that can detect the presence of an object without touching the object.
- Object detection done with a beam of light.
- Solid state outputs are use to control the flow of electric current.

Photoelectric Sensor...



- Solid state outputs may be:
 - a) Thyristor (used for switching AC circuits).
 - b) NPN or PNP transistor (used for switching DC circuits).
- Output selected depends on specific application needs detection done with a beam of light.
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- Considerations that affect the solid-state output include the following:
 - a) Voltage type to be switched – AC or DC.
 - b) Amount of current to be switched (few amperes, milliamperes or microamperes)
 - i. If current is within a few amperes and electrical interface is needed.
 - ii. An electromechanical or solid state relay is the most common interface used with photoelectric devices.

Question 3

A solid state output may be_____.

Photoelectric Sensors...



Examples: Semiconductor Photoelectric Sensors

Proximity Sensor:

- a) AC or DC switching types
- b) Object detection



Photo-transistor:

- a) NPN or PNP switching types
- b) Object detection



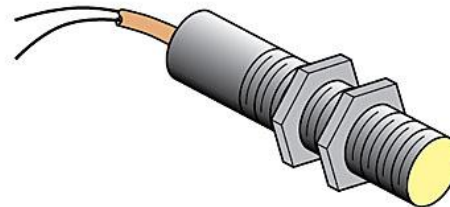
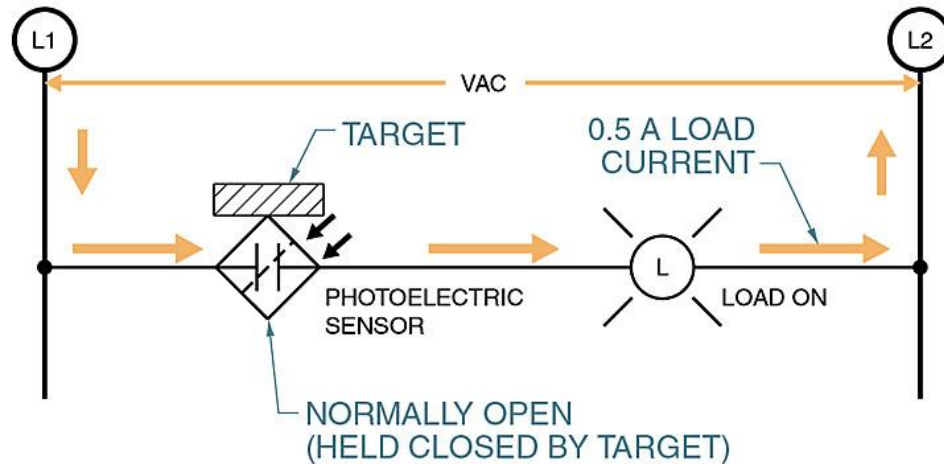
Photoelectric Sensors...



Examples:

Proximity Sensor Object Detection Circuit

PHOTOELECTRIC SENSOR LOAD CURRENT



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Exploring the Me Light Sensor



- Can detect ambient light intensity.
- An onboard phototransistor to detect ambient light intensity.
- Operates off of +5VDC.
- Provides an analog signal voltage range of 0 - 4.8VDC.
- Dimensions: 52x24x16mm (Length x Width x Height)

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Data Values based on lighting conditions

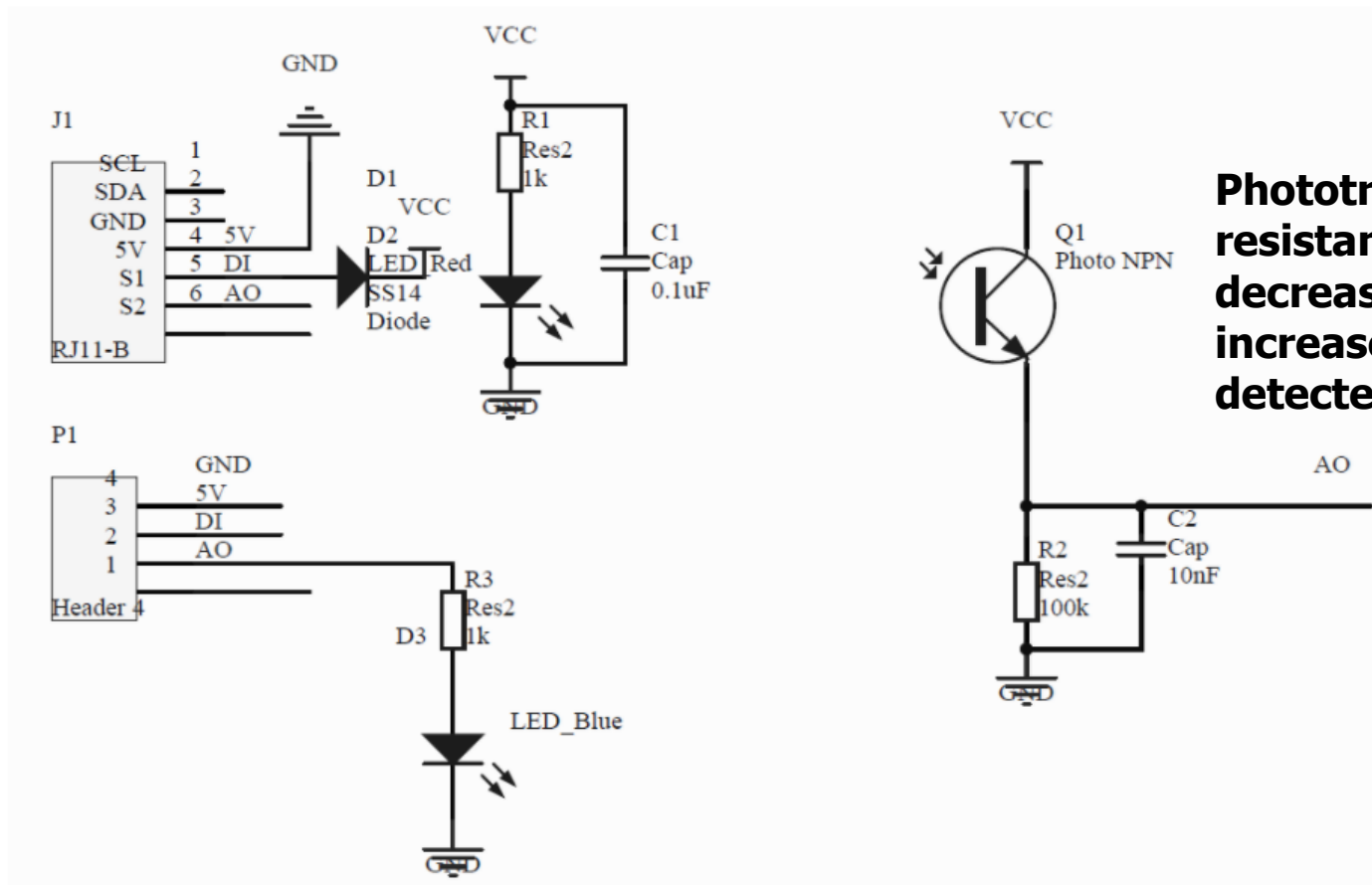
Analog Values

daylight	night	indoor
>500	0-100	100-500

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Me Light Sensor Circuit Schematic Diagram



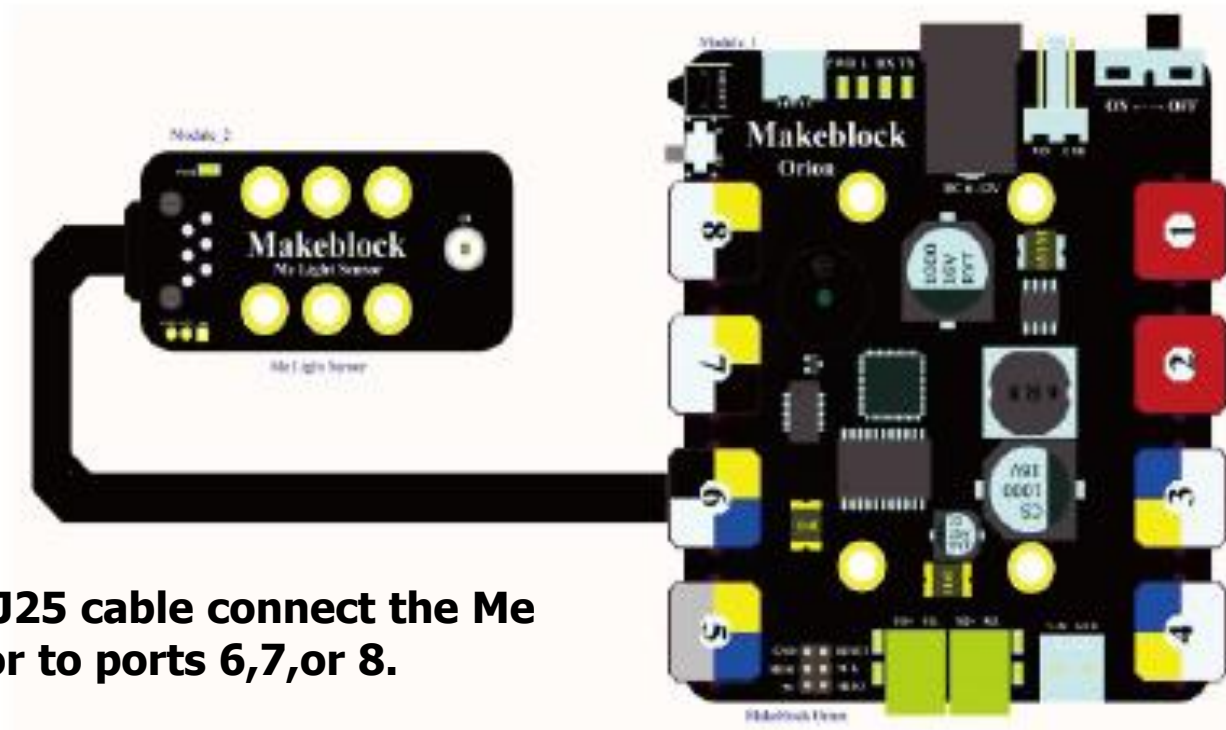
Sources:

<http://learn.makeblock.com/en/me-light-sensor/>

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Attaching the Me Light Sensor to a Me-Orion Controller



Using an RJ25 cable connect the Me Light sensor to ports 6,7,or 8.

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Arduino Test Code for Me Light Sensor

```
01  #include "MeOrion.h"
02  #include <Wire.h>
03  #include <SoftwareSerial.h>
04
05  MeLightSensor lightSensor(PORT_6);
06
07  int value = 0;
08
09  void setup()
10  {
11      Serial.begin(9600);
12  }
13
14  void loop()
15  {
16      value=lightSensor.read();
17      Serial.print("value = ");
18      Serial.println(value);
19      delay(100);
20  }
```

Exploring the Me Light Sensor...



Output Light Level readings from Me Light Sensor

COM4

```
value = 571  
value = 558  
value = 376  
value = 197  
value = 151  
value = 130  
value = 119  
value = 115  
value = 109  
value = 102  
value = 94  
value = 83  
value = 78  
value = 75  
value = 71  
value = 70  
value = 69  
value = 66  
value = 66  
value = 66  
value = 65  
value = 64  
value = 63
```

Question 4

Write the line of code that initializes the “value” variable.

Hands-On Project: Safety Controls



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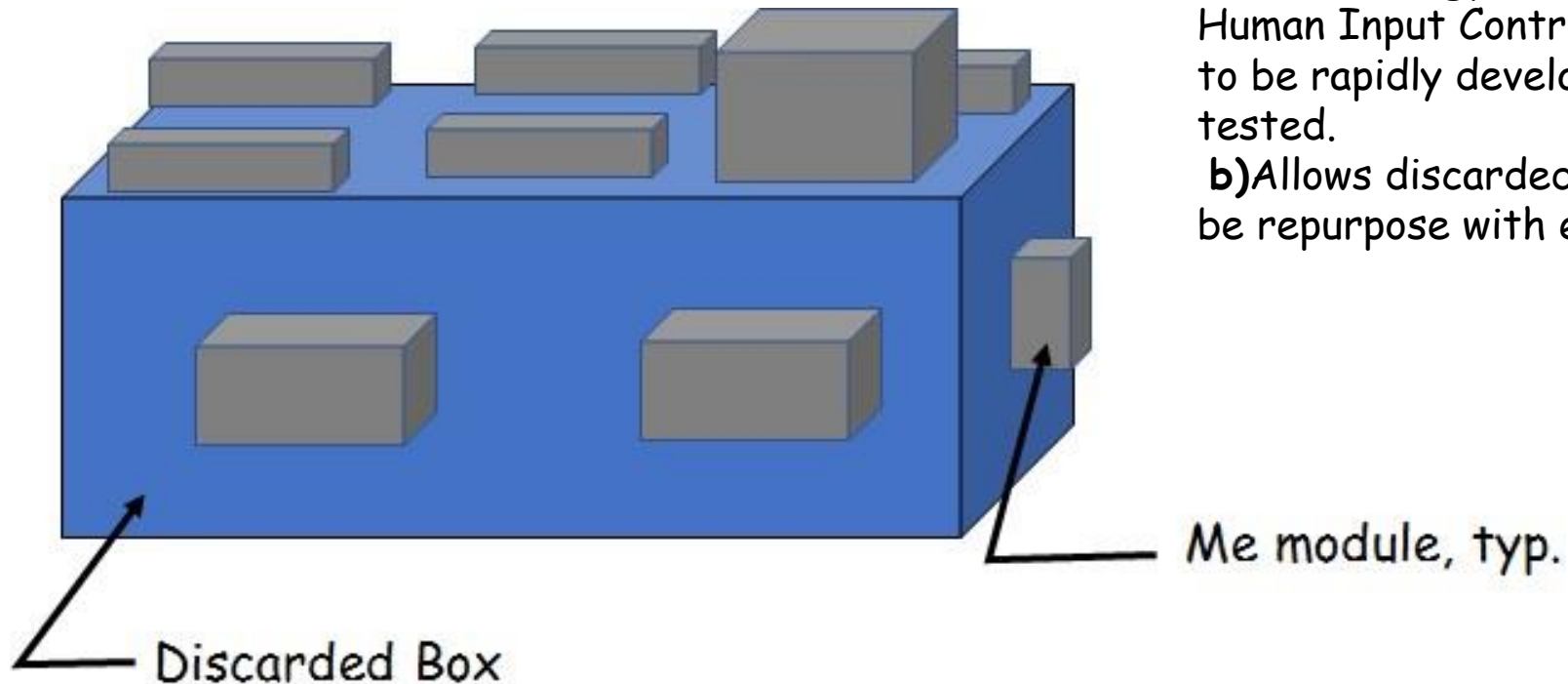
Project Objectives:

- a) Build a prototyping technology trainer for testing Human Inputting Devices concepts.
- b) Design a safety controls (light curtain) where placing your hand in front of a sensor will turn off a fan.
- c) Prototype photoelectric sensor input controls that perform Design Feature b.

Hands-On Project: Safety Controls...



Human Inputting Device Technology Box: Concept Drawing



The BIG IDEAs:

- a) Technology Box allows Human Input Control Designs to be rapidly developed and tested.
- b) Allows discarded items to be repurpose with electronics.

Hands-On Project: Safety Controls...



What is a Safety Light Curtain?

Safety **light curtains** are opto-electronic devices that are used to safeguard personnel in the vicinity of moving machinery with the potential to cause harm such as presses, conveyor systems, and palletizers.

Source:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Light_curtain

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Examples: Safety Light Curtains

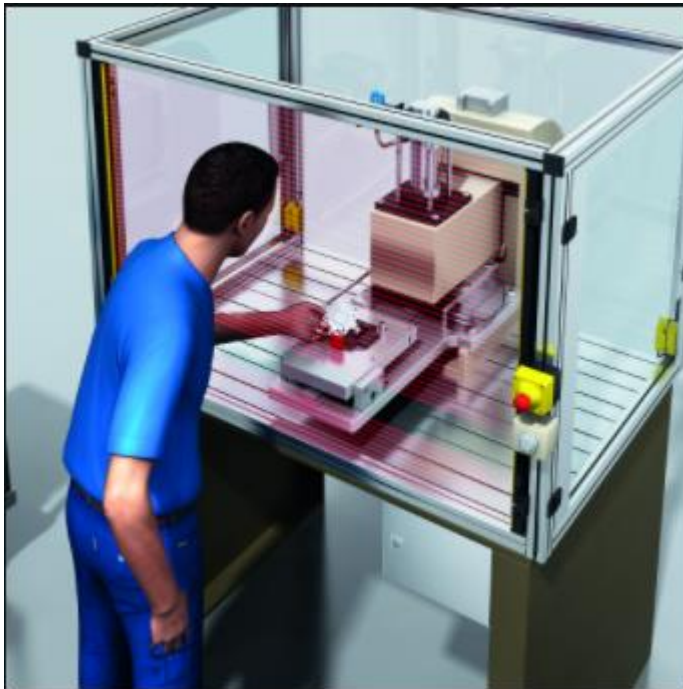


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Example Applications:

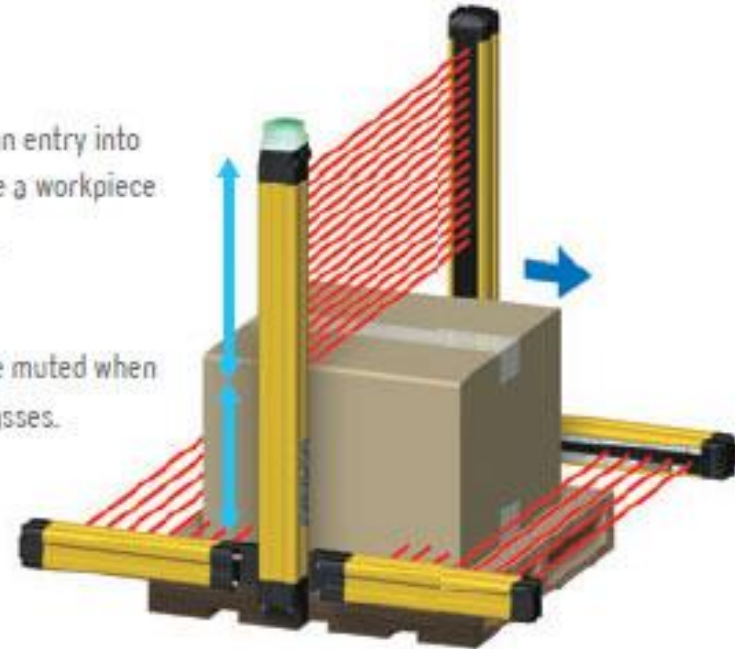
Machine Controls



Palletizing

Monitors human entry into the zone where a workpiece does not pass.

Keeps the zone muted when a workpiece passes.

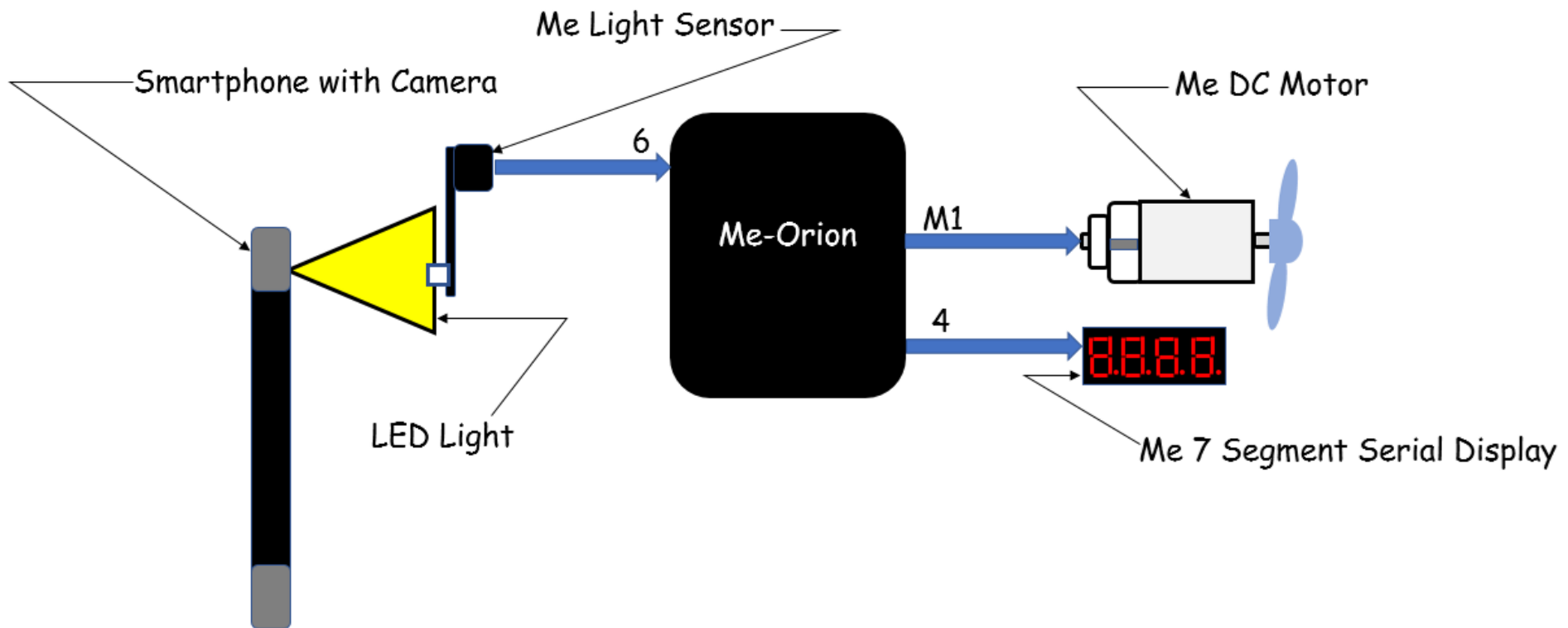


Source:
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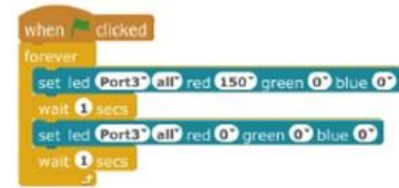
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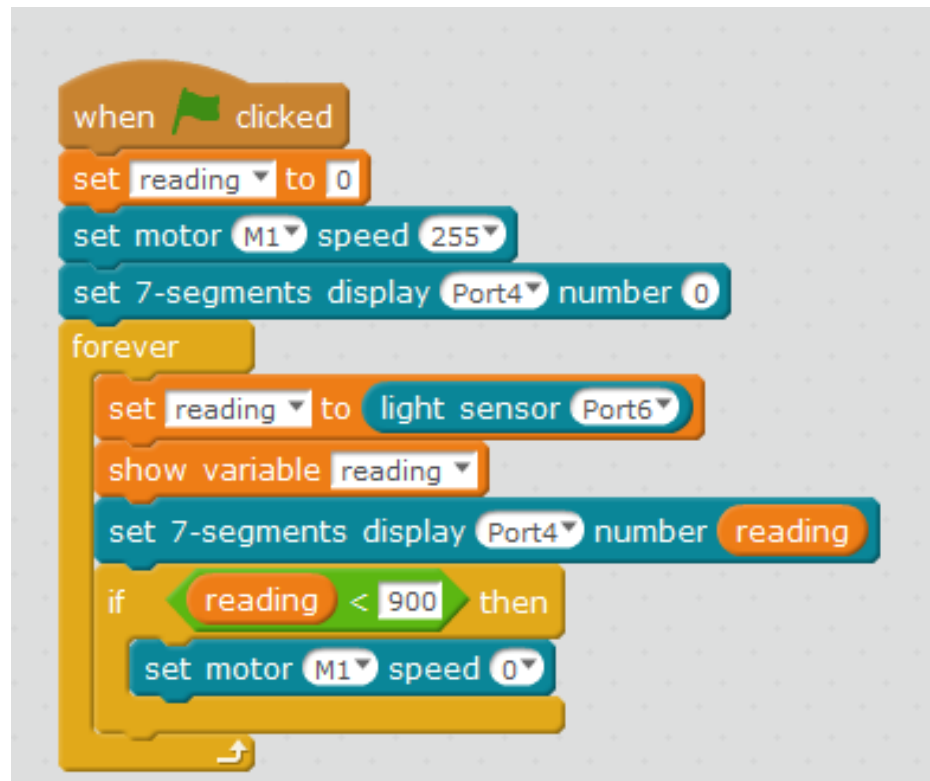
Proof of Concept Light Curtain Block Diagram



mBlock (VPL) Visual Programming Language...



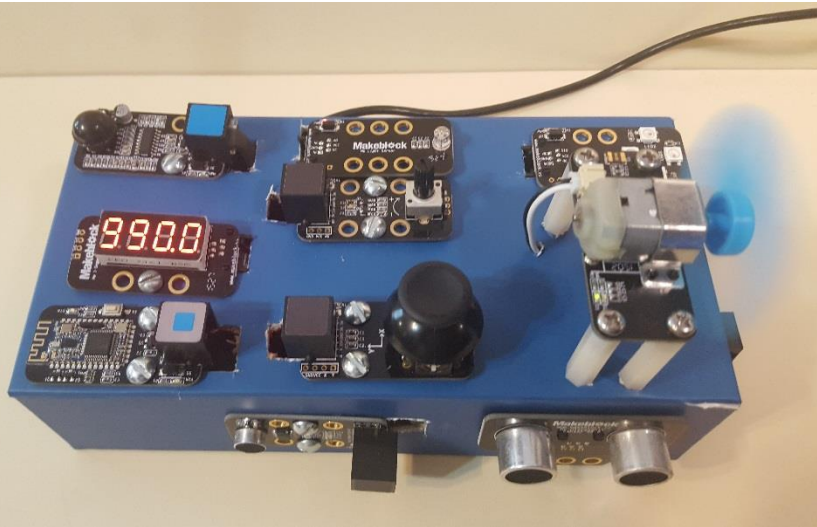
Project Code: Light Sensor Light Curtain: Safety Controls



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Functional Concept Design:



**No object detected, dc motor ON:
Ambient Light**



**Object detected, dc motor OFF:
Light interrupted**

Question 5

Using the mBlock VPL code on slide 32, write the conditional statement that checks the Me Light Sensor's light level.