How to use the light intensity sensor module



Overview

It''s a small, inexpensive I²C module that outputs light levels directly in lux, without the need for complex calibration or conversion formulas.

Key Takeaways

A light intensity sensor module can be connected to an Arduino to measure ambient light and control devices based on light levels.

Understanding the Sensor Module

Light intensity sensors, such as LDR (Light Dependent Resistor) modules or BH1750 digital sensors, detect ambient light and convert it into an electrical signal.

LD

R modules change resistance with light intensity: resistance decreases in bright light and increases in darkness, producing analog or digital outputs. BH1750 sensors provide digital lux readings for precise measurement.

LD

R Module PinsVCC: Connect to 3. 3V–5V power supply on ArduinoGND: Connect to Arduino groundDO (Digital Output): HIGH in darkness, LOW in light; threshold adjustable via potentiometerAO (Analog Output): Provides continuous voltage proportional to light intensity BH1750 PinsVCC: Connect to 3. 3V–5VGND: Connect to groundSCL/SDA: Connect to Arduino I2C pins for digital lux readings Wiring the Sensor to ArduinoFor an LDR module: Connect VCC to Arduino 5V and GND to ground.

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Connect A

O to an analog input pin (e.g., A0) for continuous light measurement. Optionally, connect DO to a digital pin to detect light/dark thresholds. For a BH1750 sensor: Connect VCC and GND to Arduino power and ground.

Connect SCL and SD

A to the corresponding I2C pins on Arduino (A4 and A5 on Uno). Use the BH1750 library in Arduino IDE to read lux values. Programming the ArduinoLDR Exampleint sensorPin = A0; // Analog pin connected to AOint ledPin = 13; // LED pinvoid setup() { pinMode(ledPin, OUTPUT); Serial.begin(9600);}void loop() { int lightLevel = analogRead(sensorPin); Serial.println(lightLevel); if (lightLevel < 500) { // Threshold for darkness digitalWrite(ledPin, HIGH); // Turn on LED } else { digitalWrite(ledPin, LOW); // Turn off LED } delay(500);} This code reads the analog value from the LDR and switches an LED on or off based on ambient light.

BH1750 Example#include #include BH1750 lightMeter;void setup() { Serial.begin(9600); Wire.begin(); lightMeter.begin();}void loop() { float lux = lightMeter.readLightLevel(); Serial.print("Light: "); Serial.print(lux); Serial.println(" lx"); delay(1000);} This code continuously prints the measured light intensity in lux.

Applications

Automatic lighting: Turn lights on/off based on ambient brightnessEnvironmental monitoring: Log light levels for agriculture or researchSmart home devices: Adjust screen brightness, control curtains, or trigger alerts By following these wiring and coding steps, you can integrate a light intensity sensor module into your Arduino projects to monitor and respond to ambient light effectively.

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INTRODUCTION SN-LIGHT-MOD is a photosensitive resistor module, suitable to detect environmental light intensity and ambient brightness. Its sensitivity can be tuned with an on board

Charge-coupled device

A specially developed CCD in a wire-bonded package used for ultraviolet imaging A charge-coupled device (CCD) is an integrated circuit containing an array of linked, or coupled, capacitors. Under the

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