

Color Sorting System: Simplified Specification

Project Objective

To build an automated conveyor that identifies the color of a workpiece and diverts it into a specific bin using a PLC or microcontroller.

System Features

- **Automatic Detection:** Detects when an object arrives at the sensor station.
 - **Color Analysis:** Categorizes items (e.g., Red, Green, Blue).
 - **Active Sorting:** Uses mechanical pushers to move items into the correct tray.
 - **Error Handling:** Items with unknown colors pass through to a "Fail" bin.
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Core Components

- **Structure:** Mini conveyor belt with a variable speed motor.
 - **Sensors:** * 1x **IR Proximity Sensor** (to trigger the process).
 - 1x **RGB Color Sensor** (to identify the hue).
 - **Actuators:** 2x **Pneumatic Pushers** or **Servo Arms**.
 - **Control:** 1x **Controller** (PLC or Arduino) to handle the logic.
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Operational Logic

1. **Start:** Belt runs continuously.
2. **Sense:** Object passes the sensor; the system reads the RGB values.
3. **Sort:** * **Color A:** Pusher 1 extends.
 - **Color B:** Pusher 2 extends.
 - **Other:** No action (item falls into the end bin).
4. **Safety:** Emergency stop button kills all power.