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Project 1

Automatic Light Control System



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Project description

- This project aims at designing the light control system which operates automatically without human intervention.
- It uses the photosensor, in our case **Light Dependent Resistor(LDR)** which senses the amount of light falling on it.
- When the bright light falling on LDR, the microcontroller is programmed in a way that it automatically switches OFF the light(LED).
- When the dim light falling on LDR, the microcontroller is programmed in a way that it automatically switches ON the light(LED).



Short notes on Light Dependent resistor(LDR)

- LDR also known as **photoresistor**.
- It is a passive component that decreases resistance with respect to the receiving light on the component's sensitive surface.
- The resistance of the photoresistor decreases with the increase of incident light intensity.
- In the dark, a photoresistor can have a resistance as high as several megaohms ($M\Omega$), while in the light, a photoresistor can have a resistance as low as a few hundred ohms.



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Components to be used



Light Dependent Resistor
(LDR)



Arduino UNO R3 board

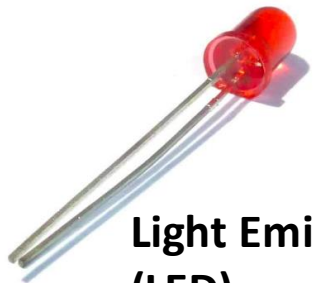
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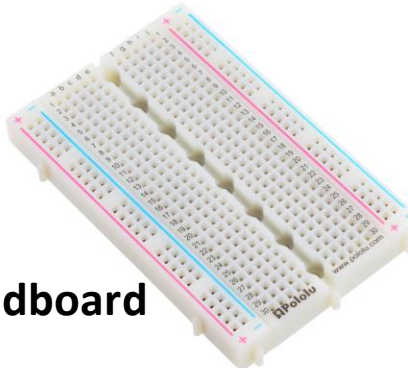
220 ohms



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Light Emitting Diode
(LED)



Breadboard

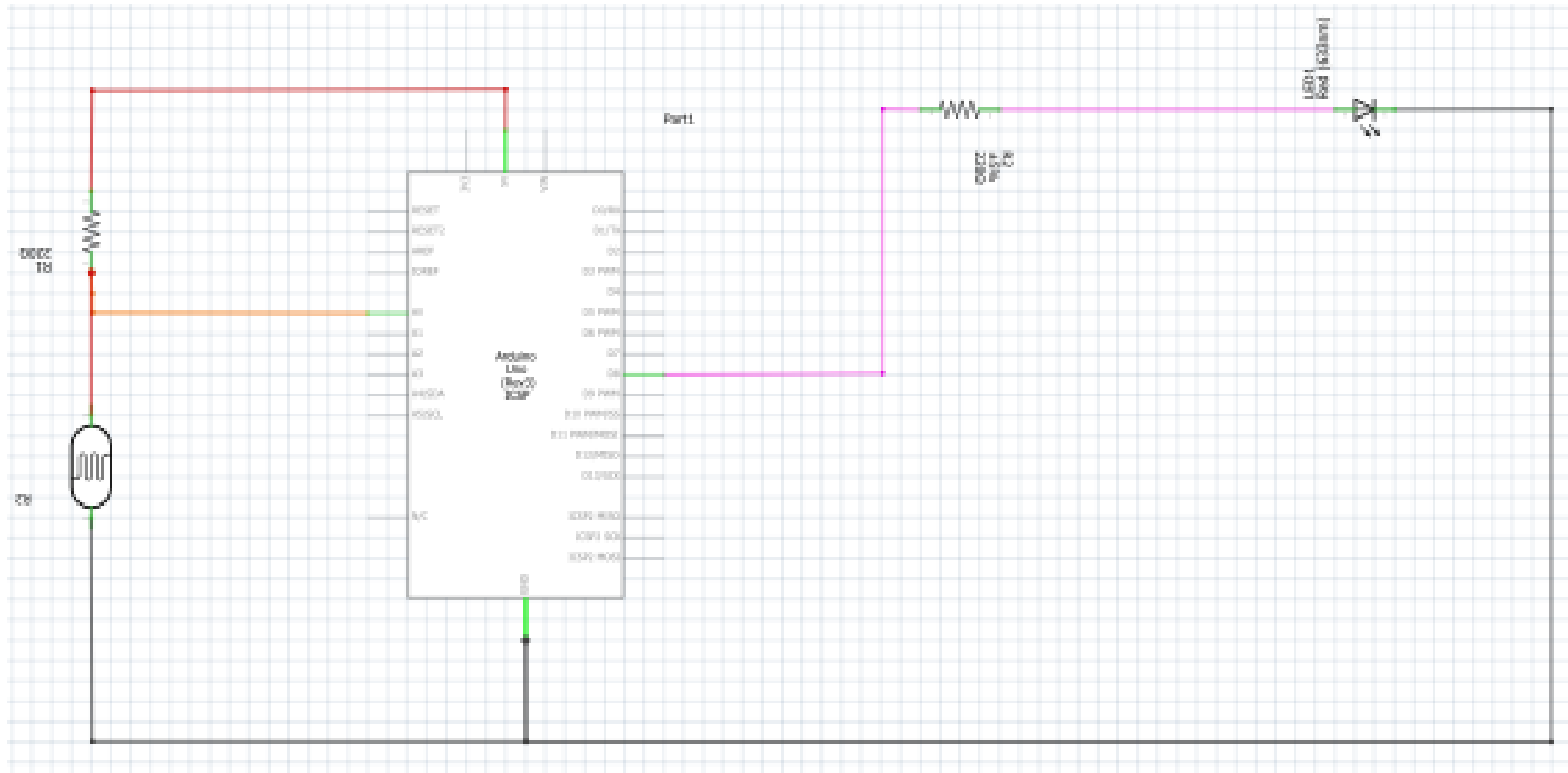


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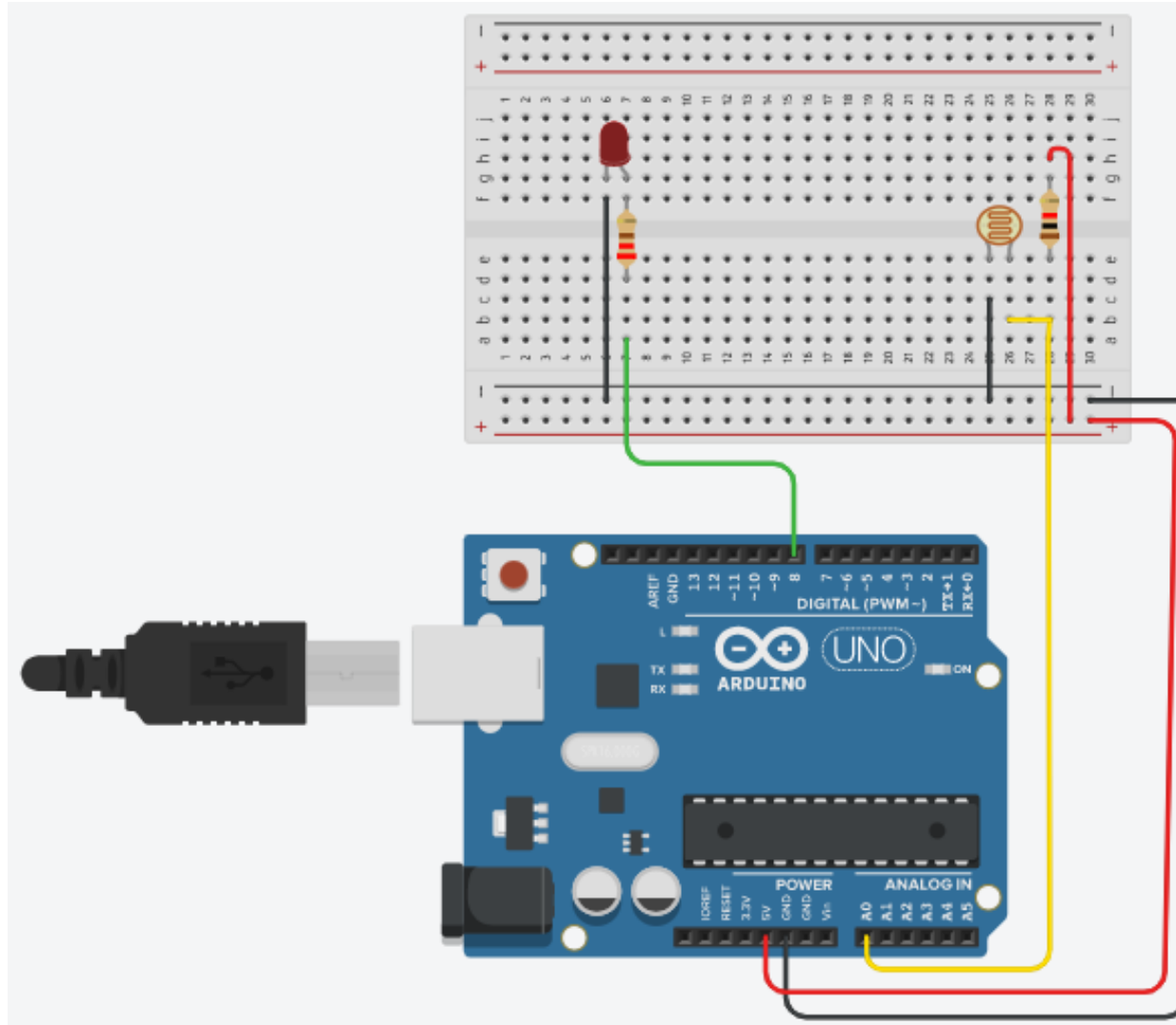
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Circuit diagram





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Applications of this project

- Street lights.
- Home lights to save electric energy usage.
- Light intensity meters.
- Bulgar alarm circuits.
- Alarm clock.



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