

LAB #4 (Motor Direction and Speed Control)

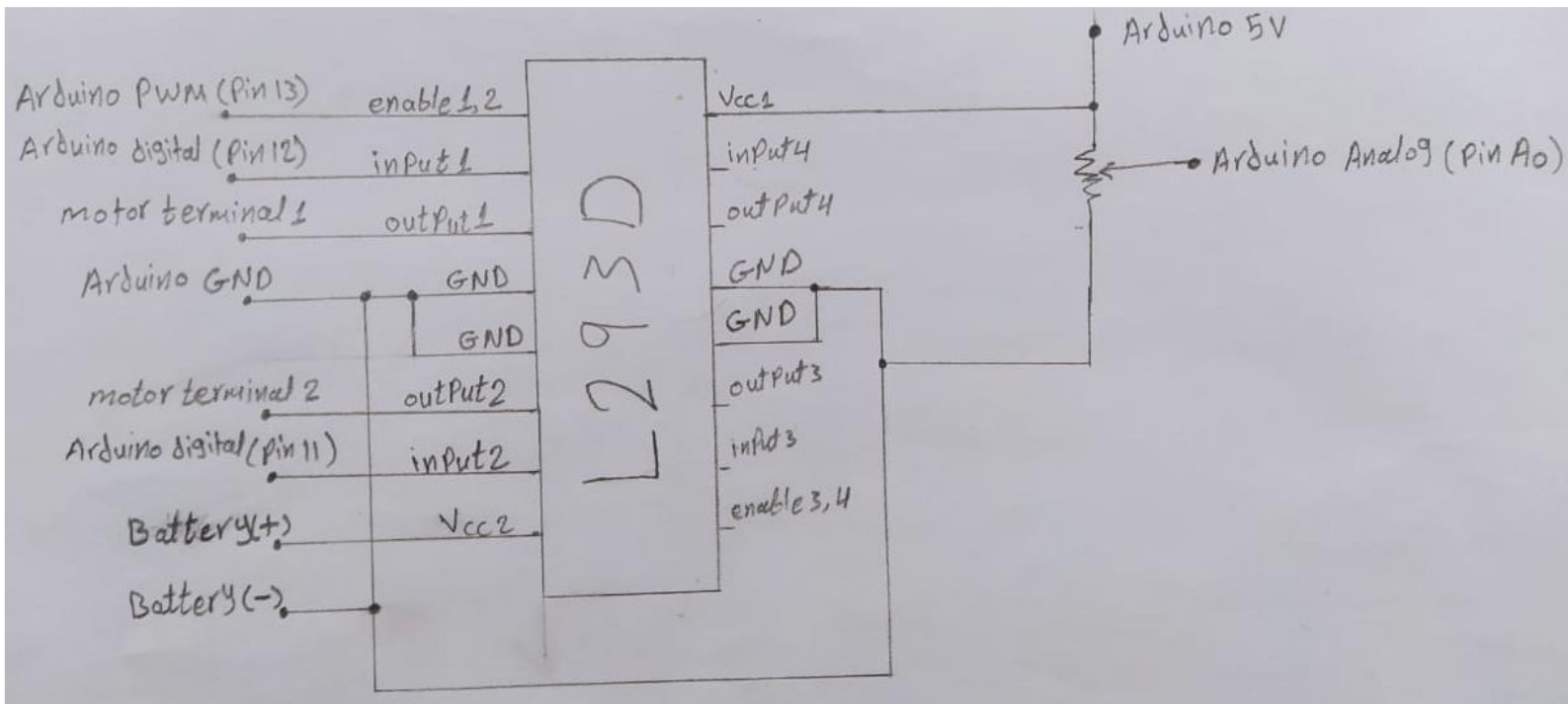
In this lab, we are going to control the direction and the speed of a DC motor using L293D IC:

- Use a potentiometer to determine the when the motor reverse the direction and also the speed:
 - If potentiometer value is between 0 and 511 motor rotates in a certain direction and reverse the direction if it's more than 511.
 - As for the speed, map each range of each direction to 0~255 which is used for the PWM.

Required components for this lab:

- Breadboard
- Wires (male - male)
- 1 Potentiometer
- 1 L293D
- 12V DC motor
- 9V Battery

Circuit diagram



Code

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#define enable 13
#define inp1 12
#define inp2 11
#define pot A0

void setup() {
    // put your setup code here, to run once:

    pinMode(enable, OUTPUT);
    pinMode(inp1, OUTPUT);
    pinMode(inp2, OUTPUT);

    pinMode(pot, INPUT);

    //start communication with the motor
    Serial.begin(9600);
}

void dir1(){
    // rotate the motor in a certain direction (depending on motor terminals connetions to output1 and output2 to L293D)
    digitalWrite(inp1,HIGH);
    digitalWrite(inp2,LOW);
}

void dir2(){
    // rotate the motor in the reverse direction of dir1 function
    digitalWrite(inp1,LOW);
    digitalWrite(inp2,HIGH);
}

int potReading =0; // variable used to read the value from the potentiometer (0~1023)
int speed =0; // variable used to apply speed on the motor
void loop() {
    //read potentiometer value
    potReading = analogRead(pot);

    //print potentiometer value
    Serial.println(potReading);

    if(potReading < 512){
        // if the potentiometer value in range of 0 ~ 511 spin the motor in direction 1 otherwise direction 2

        //adjust speed based on the potentiometer value in its range (0~511) to (0~255)
        speed = map(potReading,0,511,0,255);
        //apply the speed
        analogWrite(enable,speed);

        dir1();
    }
    else{
        //adjust speed based on the potentiometer value in its range (512~1023) to (0~255)
        speed = map(potReading,512,1023,0,255);
        //apply the speed
        analogWrite(enable,speed);
        dir2();
    }
}
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