Automated Window Shades: Design Decisions

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Main Device Feature Implementation:

Function	Device Selected	Reasons	Alternative	Reasons for not implementing
Daylight Reading Sensor	LDR	Simple straight forward, inspired by street light concept.	Tracking time instead of light	Seemed unnecessarily complex
Wireless Control	IR receiver	More understanding of concept. Seemed more approachable	Bluetooth	Very little previous experience. Not sure how SW would work.
Window Shades Actuator	Continuous Servo Motor	Simple hookup to IC. Simple controlling with PWM.	Stepper Motor	Requires external circuitry. Little experience
Manual Control	Push Buttons	Simple for user	Did not consider	

Basic Circuit Functions:

Function	Method / Device Selected	Reasons	Alternative	Reasons for not implementing
IC Programing	ISP	Programmers at school used this protocol. Wanted to gain good experience programing device without Arduino.	Rx Tx, Arduino Bootloader	No experience. ISP seemed more straightforward
Power Source	9V DC wall adapter, regulated to 5V DC	9V adapters very common. Simple approach. Can use 9V battery.	Many other alternatives	Not worth spending too much time on.
Clock frequency	16Mhz	Arduino Uno uses 16Mhz	8Mhz, 12Mz, etc	Did not play around with effect of lower/higher frequencies

Part Selection:

Part Designator	Part Number Selected	Specific; Values/Parameters/P ackage Chosen	Reasons
U1	ATMEGA88-20AURCT- ND	TQFP-32	Some versions of Arduino use this device, great for ref. design. Chose a middle amount of memory (not too much, not too little). Had AVR Programer. Cheaper. DIP package too large, waste of space.
U2	LM317AEMP/NOPB	1 A, SDM	Have experience with device. Servo needs plenty of current.

			cheap, good datasheet/ reference circuit.
U3	TSOP38238	Generic	Generic IR Sensor, demodulated signal, cheap, good datasheet/ reference circuit.
J1	RAPC722X		Common barrel jack connector. Through hole, for more support.
J2	901210126	1X6 Servo/LDR	Versatile connector. Through hole, for more support.
Ј3	67997-106HLF	2X3 ISP	Matched programer connector. Through hole, for more support.
B1-B4	3-1437565-0	SMD	Could be SDM, not too much stress.
S1	1825255-1	SPDT	Through hole, for more support.
TP1-TP6	5004		Can hook to scope probe
X1	FOXSLF/160-20		Based on Arduino Uno
D1	Generic	Green	Already owned
D2	Generic	RGB	Already owned, RGB for multi-purpose
C1, C2	EEE-1CA100SR	10uF, 16V	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.
C3-C5,C9-C11	885012207045	100nF, 16V	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.
C6,C7	885012007012	22pF, 16V	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.
C8	885012207051	1uF, 16V	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.
R1	ERJ-P06J241V	240, 1%, Large Power	0805, Easier to solder, not too

			large.
R2	ERJ-6ENF7320V	715 1%, Large Power	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.
R2	ERJ-6ENF7150V	Second Value Just in Case	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.
R3,R7,R17,R18	ERJ-P06J103V	10K, 5%, 0.5W	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.
R8	ERJ-6GEY0R00V	Jumper	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.
R10	ERJ-6GEYJ102V	1k	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.
R12	ERJ-P06J220V	22, 5%, 0.5W	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.
R13-R16	ERJ-P06J221V	220, 5%, .25W	0805, Easier to solder, not too large.