

# PIC1 OBSTACLE-AVOIDING ROBOT CONTROLLER CODE 1111C LEVEL 3

This robot will start moving whenever the sensor detects any obstacles and can avoid them. With it's built-in PIC microcontroller. The user can re-write any program for getting new applications.

**Technical Specifications:** 

- Power supply: 4 AA batteries (not included).
- Consumption: 15mA. @ 6VDC. (no load).
- PCB dimensions : 2.54 x 2.60 in.

# (1) ROBOT CONTROL CIRCUIT

### How To Work:

The circuit is composed of 2 major parts, sensor board (optional code FK1111S) and control board, as shown in Fig. 1.

Sensor board have 3 sets, in set as transmitter and receiver of infrared light. Transmitter part is consist TR4 and LED INF. VR4 is used for adjust the level of infrared light. Receiver part, when photo-transistor received infrared light from LED INF, causing voltage being passed through. The more reflected light will lessen the internal resistance and give bigger passing through voltage. Less reflected light will enlarge the internal resistance and give less passing through voltage. TR1 to TR3 will work when the photo-transistor received infrared light.

Control board, at the heart of the circuit is the PIC microcontroller IC1. When photo-transistor is not receiving infrared light, TR1 to TR3 are not working. IC1 will send the voltage to pin 5 and pin 9, causing both motor is running

forward. If some photo-transistor received infrared light, motor is running backward. IDE port is used for connect PIC programmer.

#### **Circuit Assembling:**

The PIC1-2 circuit assembling has been shown in Fig 2. It is recommended to assemble the circuit starting with a less height component i.e. diodes, resistor, electrolytic capacitors and transistors etc. Be careful while assembling and check for the matching of PCB poles and components before soldering as shown in Fig 3. For IDE port, press the pin of IDE port to be level with the black plastic before soldering. Use a max. 40W solder and soldering tin with a tin and lead ratio of 60/40 together with a joint solution inside. Recheck the assembled circuit for your own confidence. Better use a lead sucker or a lead wire absorber in case of component misplacing to protect PCB from damage.

## Testing:

When the control board have been completely assembled, insert the control board into robot body and four AA batteries into the battery holder. Then adjust all trimpot to the middle side and slide switch SW to "on" position. LED at sensor board is lighted on. Lay down the assembled robot on the box. When any sensor detects bar, The robot will avoid the bar and running the other way.

VR1, VR2 and VR3 will act as sensitivity of phototransistor. Adjust to the left hand side for decreasing sensitivity and to the right hand side for increasing sensitivity. VR4 will act as level of infrared light. SW1 is not used.

#### **Troubleshooting:**

As the circuit has only a few components, the main cause of troubles will come from component misplacing and defaulted soldering. When found out that the circuit does not work, check for the proper component placings and various soldering points.

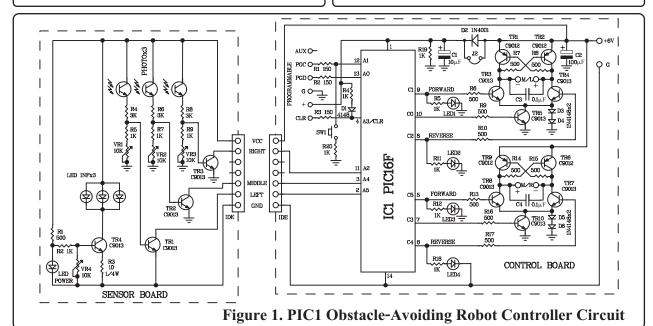


Figure 2. PIC1-2 Circuit Board Assembling

IDE port

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NOTE: For all IDE port to insert the PC-board and solder without trim leg.

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