



## DC Motor Driver 2x15A Lite (SKU: DRI0018)

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### Introduction

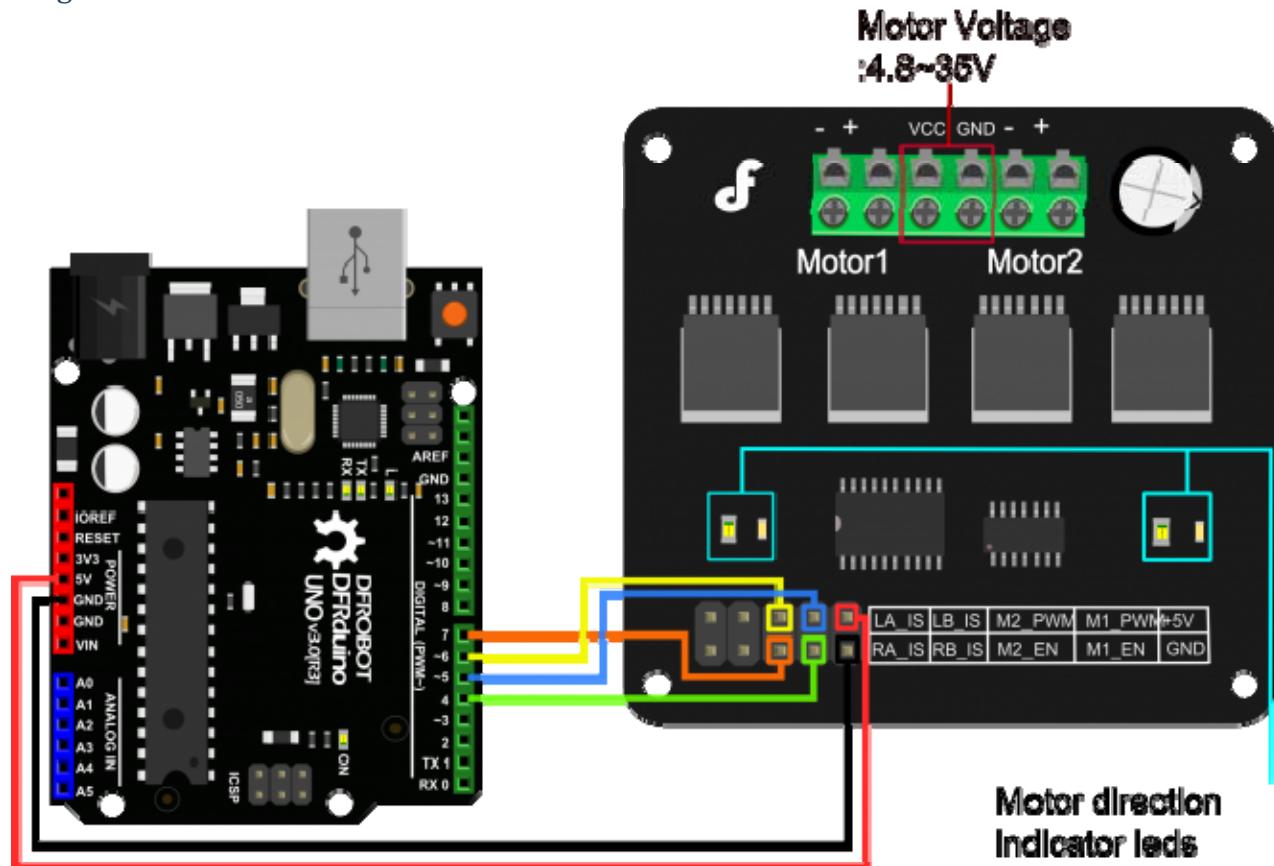
This DC Motor Driver can be used in 4WD mobile robot platforms, Combat robots, smart car competition, to drive pumps, electric fans, conveyors, etc... This module uses 4 high-performance & high-current driver chips——BTS7960 with the function of current short, over temperature, over voltage protection. You can control 2 motors with only 4 digital IO at the same time. Dual 15A@13.8V max output current, good responsiveness & braking performance. Four indicator LEDs are provided for easy and convenient debugging without motors. This DC Motor Driver module is directly compatible with Arduino.

## Specification

- Input Voltage:4.8-35V
- Maximum output current:15A@13.8V per channel
- Peak output current:20A@13.8V per channel
- PWM capability:up to 25 kHz
- Interfaces:4 digital IO(2 PWM output include)
- Driving mode:Dual high-power H-bridge driver
- Other specifications:
  - Galvanic isolation to protect the microcontroller
  - Dual current detection diagnostic functions
  - Short circuit, overheating, over-voltage protection
- Size:73x68x14mm
- For applications of more than 15A per channel
  - Fast switching might damage the board, best to smooth it by software
  - Avoid higher rating motors, and use lower PWM whenever possible

## Tutorial

### Diagram



DC Motor Driver 2x15A diagram

LA\_IS,LB\_IS,RA\_IS & RB\_IS is for current sense and diagnosis.

In normal operation,the IS pin output a LOW level.In a fault condition,It will output a HIGH level.The following code will show you how to do.

- LA\_IS and RA\_IS is used for Motor1.
- LB\_IS and RB\_IS is used for Motor2.

## Sample Code

### PWM mode

```
/*
 *
 # This Sample code is for testing the DC Motor Driver 2x15A_lite module.

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# Product: DC Motor Driver 2x15A_lite
# SKU     : DRI0018

# Description:
# Drive 2 motors with this DC Motor Driver module

# Hardwares:
1. Arduino UNO
2. DC Motor Driver 2x15A_lite
3. DC motors x2

#Steps:
1.Connect the M1_PWM & M2_PWM to UNO digital 5 & 6
2.Connect the M1_EN & M2_EN to UNO digital 4 & 7
3.Connect +5V & GND to UNO 5V & GND
```

```

# Function for current sense and diagnosis,if you want to use
please connect the IS pins to Arduino
Connect LA_IS and RA_IS to UNO digital 2 at the same time
Connect LB_IS and RB_IS to UNO digital 3 at the same time
*/
int E1 = 5;      //M1 Speed Control
int E2 = 6;      //M2 Speed Control
int M1 = 4;      //M1 Direction Control
int M2 = 7;      //M2 Direction Control
int counter=0;

void stop(void)           //Stop
{
    digitalWrite(E1,0);
    digitalWrite(M1,LOW);
    digitalWrite(E2,0);
    digitalWrite(M2,LOW);
}

void advance(char a,char b)        //Move forward
{
    analogWrite (E1,a);      //PWM Speed Control
    digitalWrite(M1,HIGH);
    analogWrite (E2,b);
    digitalWrite(M2,HIGH);
}

void back_off (char a,char b)      //Move backward
{
    analogWrite (E1,a);
    digitalWrite(M1,LOW);
    analogWrite (E2,b);
    digitalWrite(M2,LOW);
}

void turn_L (char a,char b)        //Turn Left

```

```

{
    analogWrite (E1,a);
    digitalWrite(M1,LOW);
    analogWrite (E2,b);
    digitalWrite(M2,HIGH);
}

void turn_R (char a,char b)           //Turn Right
{
    analogWrite (E1,a);
    digitalWrite(M1,HIGH);
    analogWrite (E2,b);
    digitalWrite(M2,LOW);
}

void current_sense()                // current sense and diagnosis
{
    int val1=digitalRead(2);
    int val2=digitalRead(3);
    if(val1==HIGH || val2==HIGH){
        counter++;
        if(counter==3){
            counter=0;
            Serial.println("Warning");
        }
    }
}

void setup(void)
{
    int i;
    for(i=4;i<=7;i++)
        pinMode(i, OUTPUT);
    Serial.begin(19200);           //Set Baud Rate
    Serial.println("Run keyboard control");
    digitalWrite(E1,LOW);
}

```

```
digitalWrite(E2,LOW);
pinMode(2,INPUT);
pinMode(3,INPUT);
}

void loop(void)
{
/*
static unsigned long timePoint = 0;      // current sense and diagnosis,if yo
u want to use this

if(millis() - timePoint > 1000){        //function,please show it & don't f
orget to connect the IS pins to Arduino
    current_sense();
    timePoint = millis();
}
*/
if(Serial.available()){
    char val = Serial.read();
    if(val != -1)
    {
        switch(val)
        {
            case 'w'://Move Forward
                advance (255,255);    //move forward in max speed
                break;
            case 's'://Move Backward
                back_off (255,255);   //move back in max speed
                break;
            case 'a'://Turn Left
                turn_L (100,100);
                break;
            case 'd'://Turn Right
                turn_R (100,100);
                break;
        }
    }
}
```

```

        case 'z':
            Serial.println("Hello");
            break;
        case 'x':
            stop();
            break;
    }
}
else stop();
}

```

}

## PLL mode

DRI0018 motor drive also support PLL control mode. Data is as follows:

"PLL mode"	
pin	function
4	motor 1 enable control
5	motor 1 direction control
6	motor 2 direction control
7	motor 2 enable control

Demo data :

```
//Standard DLL Speed control

int E1 = 4;      //M1 Speed Control
int E2 = 7;      //M2 Speed Control
int M1 = 5;      //M1 Direction Control
int M2 = 6;      //M1 Direction Control

//When mlp/m2p is 127, it stops the motor
//when mlp/m2p is 255, it gives the maximum speed for one direction
//When mlp/m2p is 0, it gives the maximum speed for reverse direction

void DriveMotorP(byte mlp, byte m2p)//Drive Motor Power Mode
{

    digitalWrite(E1, HIGH);
    analogWrite(M1, (mlp));

    digitalWrite(E2, HIGH);
    analogWrite(M2, (m2p));

}

void setup(void) {
    int i;
    for(i=4;i<=7;i++)
        pinMode(i, OUTPUT);
    Serial.begin(19200);      //Set Baud Rate
}

void loop(void) {
    if(Serial.available()){
        char val = Serial.read();
```

```
if(val!=-1){  
    switch(val){  
        case 'w'://Move Forward  
            DriveMotorP(0xff,0xff); // Max speed  
            break;  
        case 'x'://Move Backward  
            DriveMotorP(0x00,0x00);  
            ; // Max speed  
            break;  
        case 's'://Stop  
            DriveMotorP(0x7f,0x7f);  
            break;  
    }  
}  
}
```

}

data function : input “w”, “x”, “s” : motor will have corresponding reaction.

## Trouble shooting

More question and cool idea, visit [DFRobot Forum](#)