# Assembly manual DCCNext Version 3.2.2





Place all components on the print as indicated below.

Check that all parts are present. Please contact Arcomora a.s.a.p. if you are missing something.



Partslist resistors/capacitors:

- R1, R5, R9: 10k ohm. Brown, black, black, red, brown
- R2, R3: 2k2 ohm ½ Watt. red, red, black, brown, brown
- R6: 2k ohm. Red, black, black, brown, brown
- R4, R7, R8: 1k ohm. Brown, black, black, brown, brown
- C4: 470 uF C8: 47 uF C1, C5, C7, C9, C10: 100 nF ('104')
- C2, C3: 22pF ('22') C6: 220 pF ('221' or no print)

1. Place all resistors R1 to R9. Note the colour codes.

2. Place diodes D2, D3 and D5. Note the orientation.

3. Place both IC feet. Note the orientation. The cut-outs to the edge of the print.

Make sure that ALL pins protrude through the print. If placed incorrectly, that is no problem; pay extra attention to the placement of the ICs.

4. Install the DB107 (D1) diode bridge and the L7805. Secure the L7805 with a nut and bolt. Note the orientation of both components.

5. Install all capacitors except C4 (470 uF) and C8 (47 uF). C2 and C3 have an imprint '22'. C6 has an imprint '221' or no imprint. The others (100 nF) have an imprint of '104'.

6. Place the oscillator and the reset switch. Place the insulation plate under the oscillator!

7. Cut 2 pieces of 3 Dupont pins and place them in the holes at the LM7805. Do not yet place the jumpers.

8. Place the 4 LEDs with the correct color. Note the orientation. The long leg is the plus (+).

9. Cut a piece of 6 Dupont pins and place this at Serial.

If desired, you can also solder the hooked Dupont pin as supplied with the USB interface. (See also below for the USB connection options).

#### 10. Only if you want to connect servos directly:

Cut pieces of 3 pins and solder them on the print. Do this preferably from port 1. Naturally you must also configure the servos for these ports at Mardec. By using both 2-pole and 3-pole terminals you can make any number from 2 to 12 servos. Only one servo is not possible.

11. Slide the required number of terminal blocks together and solder them onto the print. If you have not used servo pins, you must assemble them all. Place the terminals on the print first. Then turn it over and push the print against the desk. Because of this the terminals are stuck and you can easily solder.

### NOTE: Use the small blue terminal for the 5Volt connection.

12. Install the 3 blue big screw terminals. Do this in the same way as the green screw terminals.

13. Install capacitor C8. Note the orientation; the long leg is the plus.

14. Install capacitor C4. Note the orientation. This can be done in upright or lying position. Make sure that the capacitor lies tight against the PCB when the box is used.

15. Install IC 6n137 and the ATMEGA328P processor. Usually the legs are too far apart so that they do not fit well in the foot.

To bend them, place one side against the work surface and push all legs at the same time a little to the right. Do this for both sides.





If you also use the box, stick the stickers on the lid.

**Note**: on the connector side, the sticker must be folded over the edge.

**Tip**: Stick a piece of transparent tape over both stickers for protection.

(not included!)

The assembly is now complete and we can start testing the DCCNext. For this purpose there is a special test program on the processor.

- Connect ONLY the USB interface to the PC. The yellow power LED should light up and the red status LED should flash very fast.
- 2. Now connect the DCC signal to the DCC terminals. The green LED should now also light up.
- 3. Now send FIRST DCC address 1 to the DCCNext. The red LED will now blink rapidly. This proves that the DCC signal is 'seen' by the DCCNext.
- 4. Now send a random DCC address, bigger than 1, to the DCCNext. The red LED will now blink faster again. This shows that the DCC signal is 'seen' by the DCCNext.
- 5. Send another DCC address. The red LED will now flash more slowly again.
- 6. Send more addresses. The flashing frequency should change at every change of address.

The 16 ports can also be tested



7. Connect a led with in series a resistor of about 1k between the gnd of the servo power and a port.

This LED will now blink at the same rate as the status LED.

Now connect the led to all 16 ports. This will test the individual ports.

For Dupont pins use the pin closest to the edge.

Tip:

Wait to solder R7 and D7 (servo led). Use these first for this test.

- 8. Now put the jumpers in the DCC position and remove the USB cable. Everything keeps working. There should be no difference.
- 9. Reconnect the USB cable and remove the jumpers. Everything continues to work. There should be no difference.
- 10. Connect a voltage to the screw terminals and put the jumpers in the 8-16V position. Remove the USB cable. Everything continues to work. There should be no difference.
- 11.Only if you use Dupont pins:

Solder R7 and D7 if you have not done so already for the test at point 6. Connect a voltage of 5V to the servo terminal. This can also be done by connecting the 5V terminals to the servo terminals. The blue LED should now light up. Do NOT use this 5V to permanently power the servos.

### USB-Serial CH340 Interface

The USB interface can be mounted in 4 different ways:



This method saves space. The danger is that the interface is set up incorrectly; so with the USB connector on the other side.

However, only one set of female connector with angled connector is supplied. So if you want to use the interface on multiple prints, an extra female connector is needed.

4) Hooked soldered:



Make sure that the switch is in the 5V position!

## Schema DCCNext (V3.2.2):



### **Power Options:**

DCC

There are 4 options for supplying power to the DCCNext.

**1) Internal.** The DCCNext is powered by the internal power circuit on the board.

Connect a power supply to the big blue screw terminal.

For servos connected to the Dupont pins a separate 5V must also be connected.

On the 5V output a voltage is available for LEDs (max 500mA). Never connect a relay or servo permanently to this output. Only do that for testing purposes.

Put both jumpers on the position 8-16V.



B-16V DC/AC
B-16V DC/A

2) **DCC**. The DCCNext is powered by the DCC signal connected to the DCC terminal. The LocoNet Railsync signal can NOT be used.

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For servos connected to the Dupont pins a separate 5V must be connected. **Put both jumpers in the DCC position.** 



3) External. The DCCNext is powered from the blue 5 Volt terminals.

This can be a low power supply.

For servos connected to the Dupont pins, a separate 5V must also be connected Do not connect a power supply to the normal input.



Connect the USB interface to the PC.

The DCCNext receives a 5V power supply from this connection.

This option is best used in combination with a USB hub with its own power supply.

This hub can be used for connecting several DCCNexts and each DCCNext gets its own COM-port when the hub is always connected to the same USB port of the PC.

For each DCCNext a Putty session can be started and the activity can be monitored.

Do not connect anything to the AC/DC input and the 5V output.

If you connect servos directly to the Dupont pins, do connect a separate 5V power supply to the servo screw terminal.

### Set the jumpers as indicated in the figure at External.



With this USB option, you do not need to mount the power supply circuit.

The following components are then not needed:

D1 = DB107 C4 = 470 uF C5 = 100 nF IC1 = LM7805 C9 = 100 nF C8 = 47 uF D5 = 1N5817 Pins for the jumpers AC/DC screw terminal

If you don't know what to do then choose option 1 (Internal)

