

DMX Stepper Motor Board

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Overview

The DMX-PWM driver board supports 4 output channels running at 2kHz and incorporates the ability to drive a standard Unipolar stepper motor at 9-12 Vdc @ 4 Amp max or optional PWM output drive for LEDs or a single RGB LED. The base address may be set anywhere between 1 and 509 and requires 2, 3, or 4 DMX channels per mode setting.



Connection:

Dual 5-Pin XLR Connectors (M/F - IN and Pass Through Out)

Power Supply- Board: 9-12V DC at 0.5 amp to 2.1mm power jack (center positive +, outside jack assembly- negative)

Outputs: 4 Open 1 Amp collector type outputs via screw terminals plus common ground connection point and isolated contact for the Stepper motor +ve supply point if required.

DMX Fault LED:

DMX LED- **ON** when a suitable DMX signal is being received or a flashing LED when **NO** valid DMX signal stream is being received.

Address Selection:

The board base address may be set between 1 and 509 using the onboard DIP switches on any standard DMX512 networks. The Base Address is continuously read. Addresses greater than 509 are treated as being 509. Address 0 is treated as being 1. Switch #10 reserved for Mode setting.

Settings - (See Pages on Control / Addressing for more details)

Two-(2) DMX channels are needed for Stepper Motor control and four(4) channels are needed for optional PWM - LED Control. Three (3) DMX Channels are used for PWM RGB LED control. Set the start base address of the 4-Channels on the Stepper Motor Driver Board as follows: Select a valid DMX number for output channel-1 (address range 1 to 509). Look up the DMX switch settings for the selected value from the DMX addressing chart and then move the onboard DIP switches to the correct matching position (On / Off) for the selected DMX value. Example: DIP switches 16 and 32 set to **ON** position, the start base address is now 48 for the board, (Add the value of the address DIP switches set to the **ON** position to calculate the start base address), this value is used to determine the starting address of output channel-1 for DMX control. The next DMX channel would be address 49 for output channel-2, and for channel-3 DMX address 50 for output channel-3, address 51 for output channel-4. Use this process of adding the next channel to the next channel value until all 4 output channels address values are identified.

Range selection:

The DMX-Stepper Motor board may be set to operate in the **Stepper Motor** or optional **PWM** (4-LED's or 1-RGB LED) modes by DIP switch #10 on the addressing switch.

Stepper Motor Drive Mode: (Switch #10 **ON**) The 4 outputs are configured to drive a standard Unipolar stepper motor. The direction and motor speed is controlled by the value on the DMX base address channel.(2 Channels needed) For value greater than 128, the motor rotates in the clockwise direction - a value of 129 produces the slowest rotation at 128msecs per step and 255 produces the fastest rotation speed of 0.5msecs per step. For values less than 128, the motor will rotate in the anticlockwise direction - a value of 127 produces the slowest rotation speed at 128msecs per step and 0 produces the fastest rotation speed of 0.5msecs per step. For the outputs to be energised, the value on the base address+1 channel must be greater than 128 also. Stepping is suspended if no valid DMX signal is recognised or base address+1 channel (Ch2) is less than 128

In Optional PWM (LED) mode: (Switch #10 **OFF**) The value in the base address channel controls the PWM stream on channel 1- a value of 0 will switch the load permanently OFF and a value of 255 will switch the load ON. 128 will generate a 50% duty PWM signal running at 2kHz. The resolution of the PWM stream is 8-bit. The value of the base address+1 channel controls output channel 2, channel 3, 4 etc. (1-4 output channels can be used for PWM LED control. RGB 3 channels needed)

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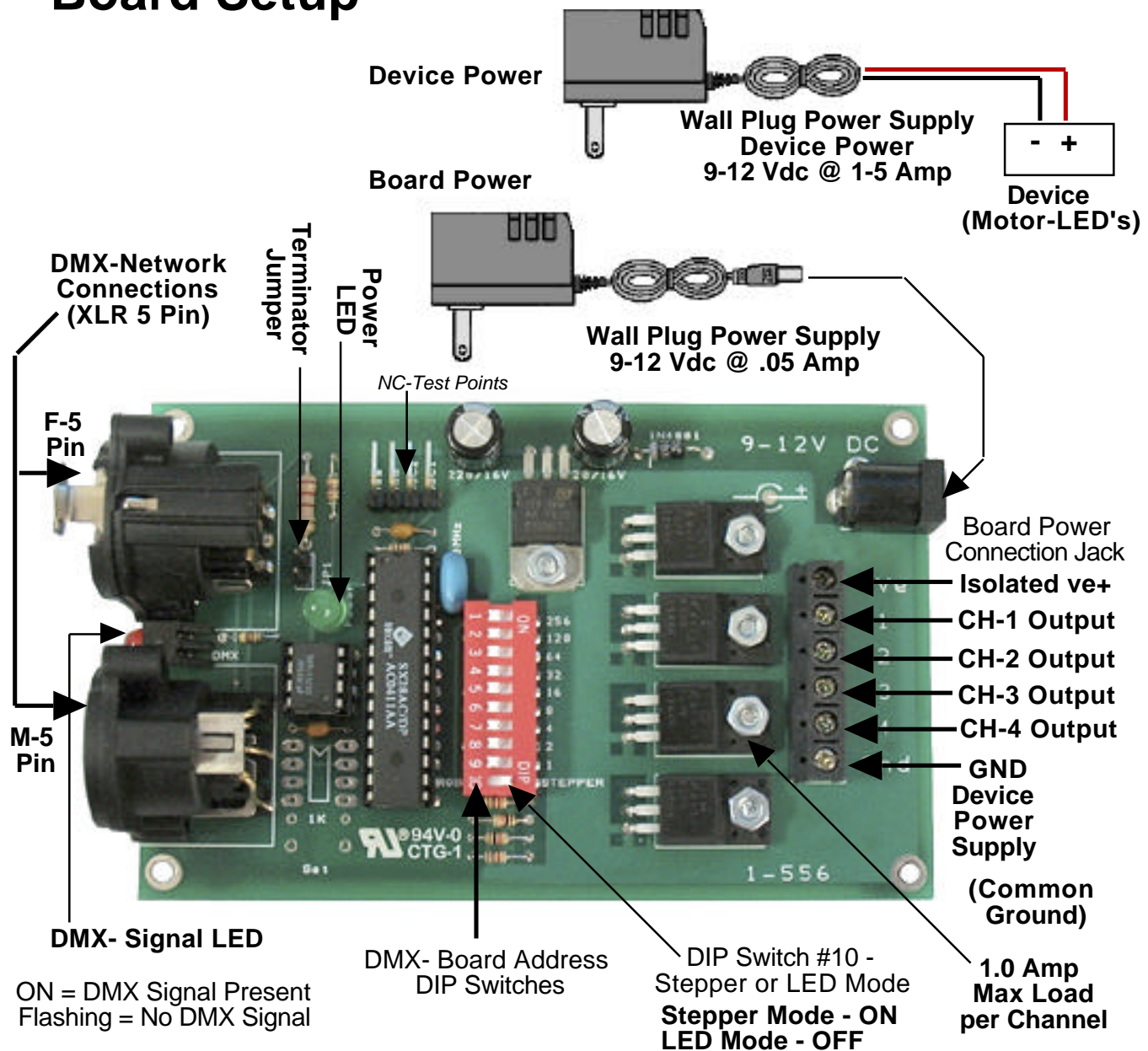
Outputs

The board is rated for a total output max load of 4 Amps / 30VDC or 1.00 amps each per channels 1-4 and are arranged as open collector devices. (MAX Current total board - 4 Amps)

Power Supply:

Power Supply: 9-12V DC at 0.5 amp to 2.1mm power jack (center positive +)

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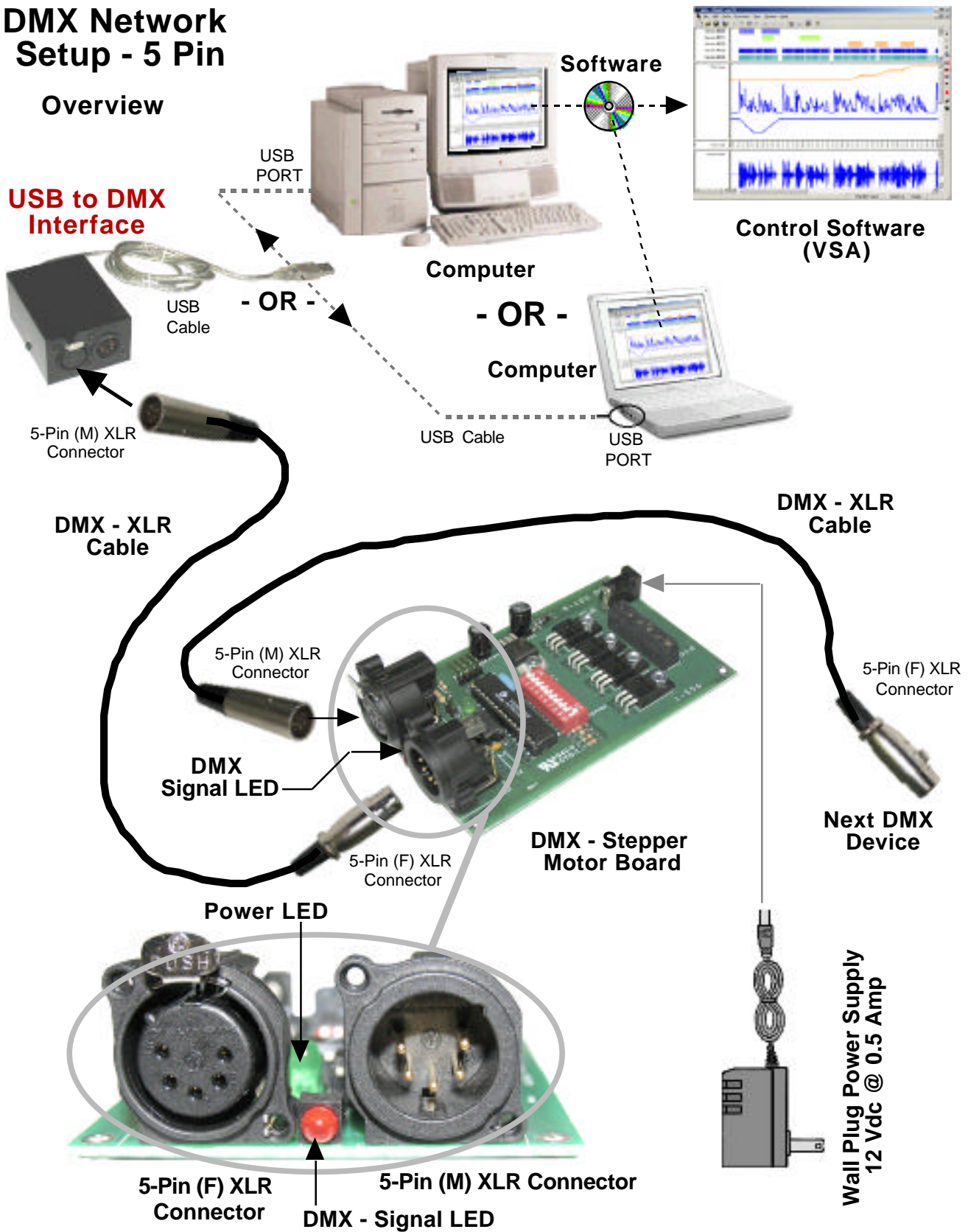
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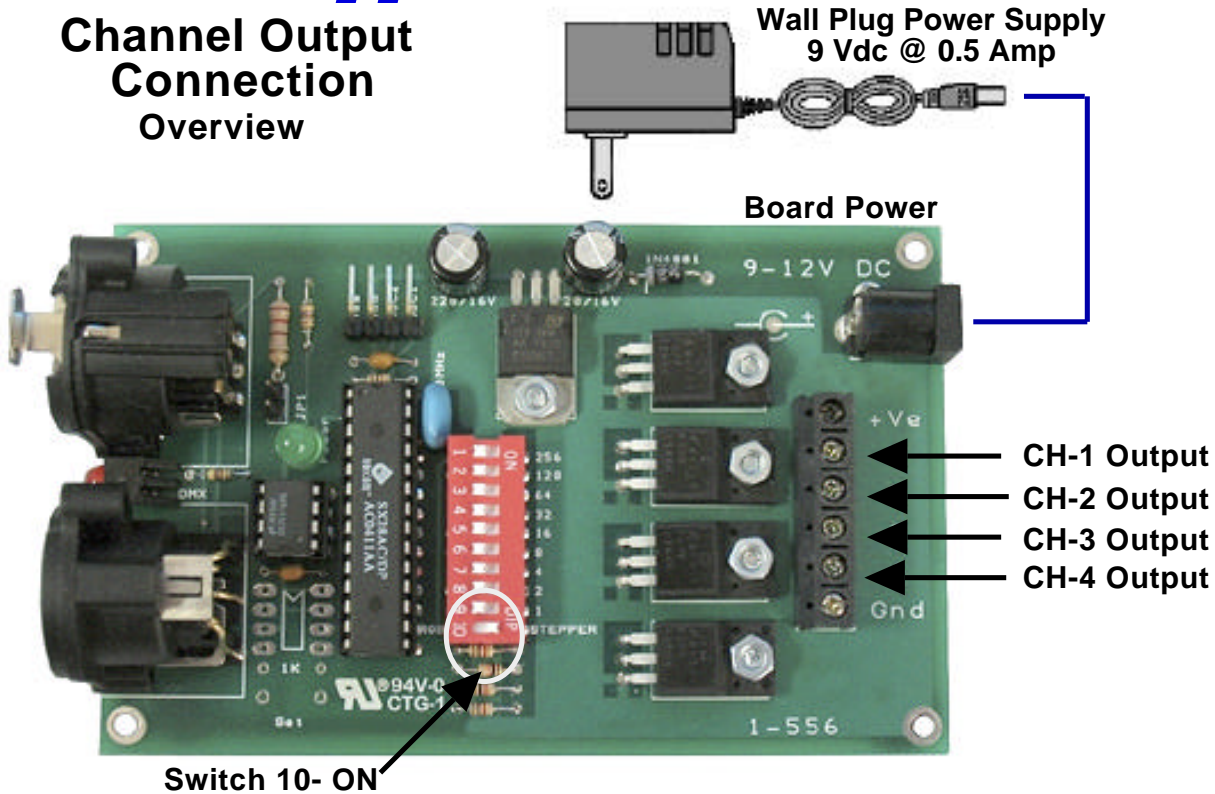


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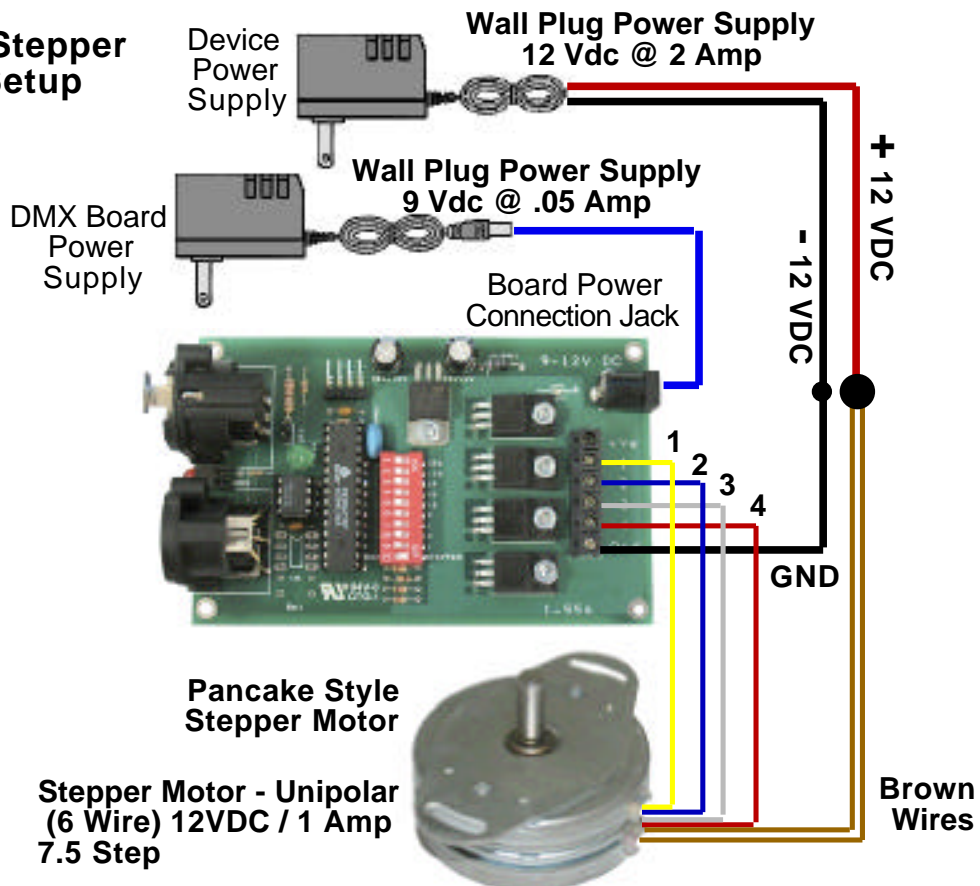
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Channel Output Connection Overview



Example- Stepper Motor Setup

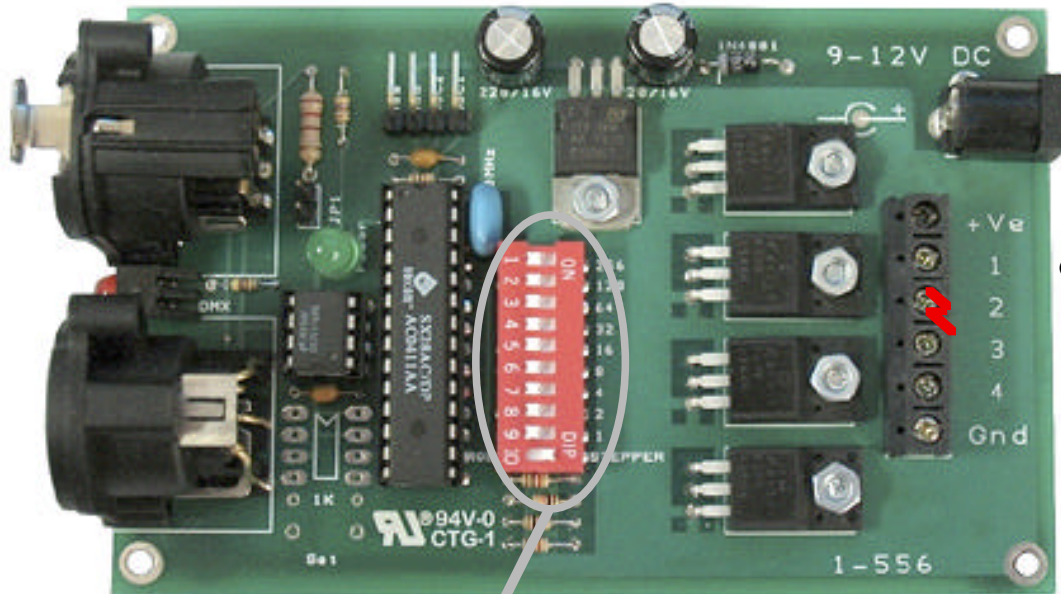


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Board Address
DMX - Values



Example

CH1 = 48
CH2 = 49
CH3 = 50
CH4 = 51

DIP Switches (Addressing)

Base address selectable
between 1 and 509

NOTE: DIP Switch No.10

OFF =PWM Mode

ON =Stepper Motor Mode

Setting the base address of Output Channels.

Add the value of the address DIP switches set to the **ON** position to calculate the base address. Example(**CH**): DIP switches 5 and 6 set to **ON** position, the base address is now 48, (16+32) this setting is used to determine the starting address output of Ch1, the next channel would be address 49 for Ch2, and the next 50 for Ch3, and 51 for Ch4 output

Stepper Motor Drive Mode: (Switch #10 ON)

The 4 outputs are configured to drive a standard Unipolar stepper motor. The direction and motor speed is controlled by the value on the DMX base address channels. (2 Channels needed)

For value greater than 128, the motor rotates in the clockwise direction - a value of 129 produces the slowest rotation at 128msecs per step and 255 produces the fastest rotation speed of 0.5msecs per step.

For values less than 128, the motor will rotate in the anticlockwise direction - a value of 127 produces the slowest rotation speed at 128msecs per step and 0 produces the fastest rotation speed of 0.5msecs per step. For the outputs to be energised, the value on the base address+1 channel must be greater than 128 also. Stepping is suspended if no valid DMX signal is recognised or base address+1 channel (Ch2) is less than 128

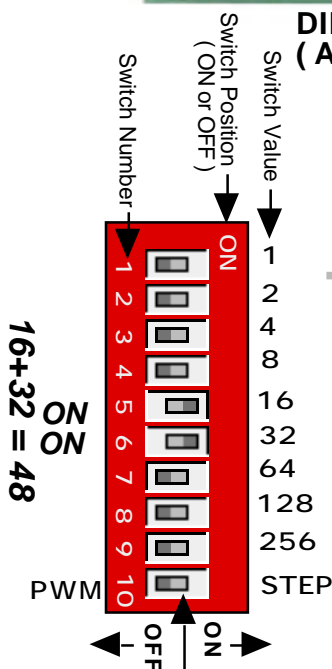
In Optional PWM (LED) mode: (Switch #10 OFF)

The value in the base address channel controls the PWM stream on channel 1- a value of 0 will switch the load permanently OFF and a value of 255 will switch the load ON. 128 will generate a 50% duty PWM signal running at 2kHz. The resolution of the PWM stream is 8-bit. The value of the base address+1 channel controls output channel 2, channel 3, 4 etc. (1-4 output channels can be used for PWM LED control. RGB 3 channels needed)

NOTE: DIP Switch No.10

(switch in **OFF** position- PWM Mode on all 4 output channels. (LED's - RGB LED)

(switch in **ON** position) - Stepper Motor Mode



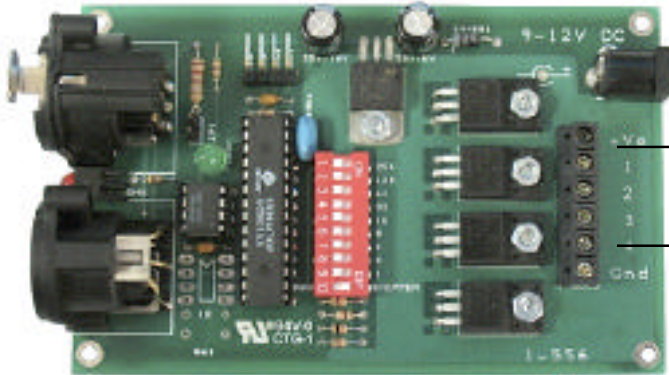
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Board Address

DMX - Stepper Motor



Stepper Motor

6- WIRES

CW CCW
1- or - 4
2- or - 3
3- or - 2
4- or - 1

Output

CW Rotation
Ch 1,2,3,4

Set by DMX
Value 128-255

CCW Rotation
Ch 4,3,2,1

Set by DMX
Value 128-0

Stepper Motor Drive Mode: (Switch #10 ON)
(2- DMX Channels needed)
(Channel - 1 Stepper Motor Rotation - (CW, CCW)
(Channel - 2 Stepper Motor Energize - (ON / OFF)

DMX Channel-1

Clockwise Direction (CW)

Value 128 -255 = Stepper motor rotates in the Clockwise Direction

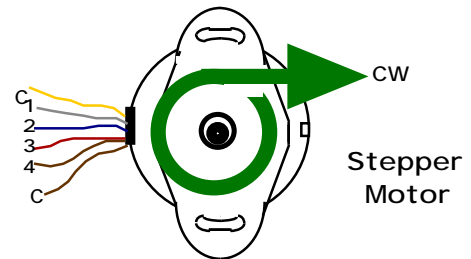
Value 127-128 = Stepper Movement near Stop

Value 129 = Stepper motor rotates slowest rotation at 128msecs per step in the Clockwise Direction.

Value 255 = Stepper motor rotates fastest rotation speed of 0.5msecs per step in the Clockwise Direction.

Note: Some Stepper motor may stall or shake at a value near 255, the stepper has exceeded the step rate designed in the motor. Lower the Value 255 - 250 to find the **Max** stepper speed for that type stepper design / manufacture.

Note: Some Stepper motor may stall or shake at a value near 126-129, the stepper has exceeded the slowest step rate designed in the motor. Change the Value up to find the **Min** stepper speed for that type stepper design or manufacture type.



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DMX Channel-1

Counter Clockwise Direction (CCW)

Values 128-0 = Stepper motor rotates in the Counter Clockwise Direction

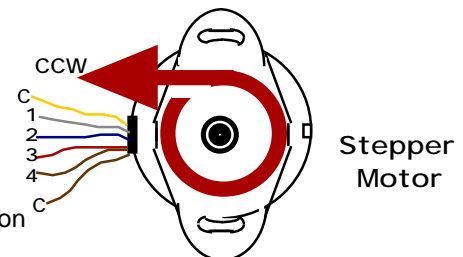
Value 127-126 = Stepper Movement near Stop

Value 127= Stepper motor rotates slowest rotation speed at 128msecs per step in the Counter Clockwise Direction.

Value 0 = Stepper motor rotates fastest rotation speed of 0.5msecs per step in the Counter Clockwise Direction.

Note: Some Stepper motor may stall or shake at a value near 0, the stepper has exceeded the step rate designed in the motor. Raise the Value 0-5 to find the **Max** stepper speed for that type stepper design / manufacture.

Note: Some Stepper motor may stall or shake at a value near 126-129, the stepper has exceeded the slowest step rate designed in the motor. Change the Value down to find the **Min** stepper speed for that type stepper design or manufacture type.



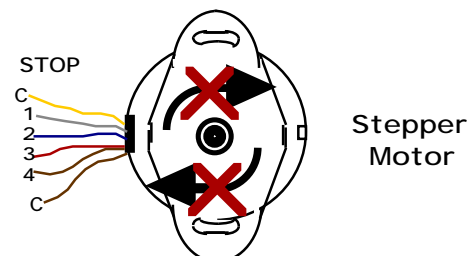
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DMX Channel-2

Motor Energized - ON / OFF

Value 128 - 255 = Motor energized (ON)

Value 127- 0 = Motor NOT energized (OFF)



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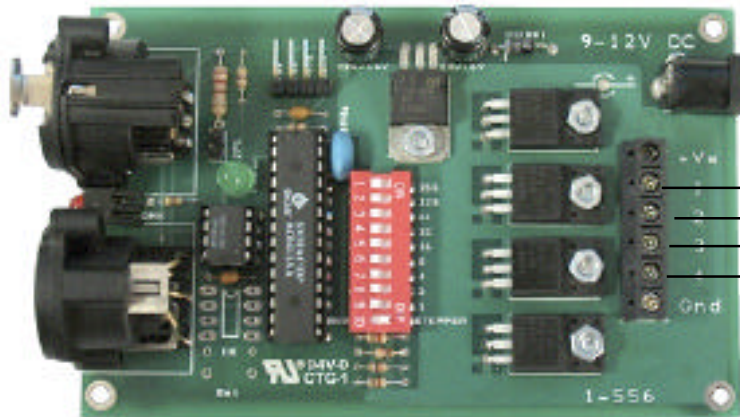
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Board Address

DMX - PWM Mode



Output

CHANNEL DMX VALUE

CH1 = 0-255

CH2 = 0-255

CH3 = 0-255

CH4 = 0-255

PWM Drive Mode: (Switch #10 OFF)

(4- DMX Channels needed)

(DMX Channel - 1) - Board Output Channel 1

(DMX Channel - 2) - Board Output Channel 2

(DMX Channel - 3) - Board Output Channel 3

(DMX Channel - 4) - Board Output Channel 4

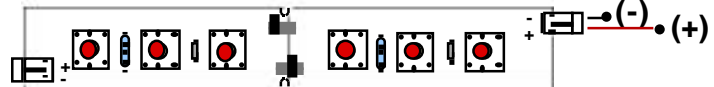
DMX Channel-1

Value of 0 will switch the load permanently **OFF**

Value of 255 will switch the load **ON**

Value of 128 will generate a 50% duty PWM signal running at 2kHz. (The resolution of the PWM stream is 8-bit.)

LED-Bar - CH1



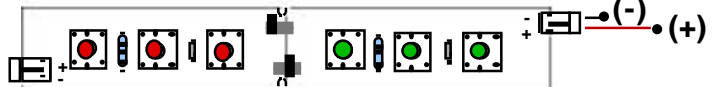
DMX Channel-2

Value of 0 will switch the load permanently **OFF**

Value of 255 will switch the load **ON**

Value of 128 will generate a 50% duty PWM signal running at 2kHz. (The resolution of the PWM stream is 8-bit.)

LED-Bar - CH2



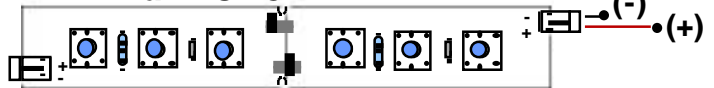
DMX Channel-3

Value of 0 will switch the load permanently **OFF**

Value of 255 will switch the load **ON**

Value of 128 will generate a 50% duty PWM signal running at 2kHz. (The resolution of the PWM stream is 8-bit.)

LED-Bar - CH3



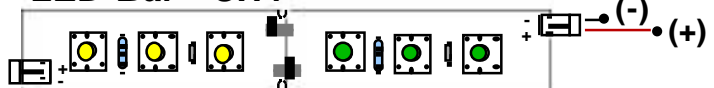
DMX Channel-4

Value of 0 will switch the load permanently **OFF**

Value of 255 will switch the load **ON**

Value of 128 will generate a 50% duty PWM signal running at 2kHz. (The resolution of the PWM stream is 8-bit.)

LED-Bar - CH4



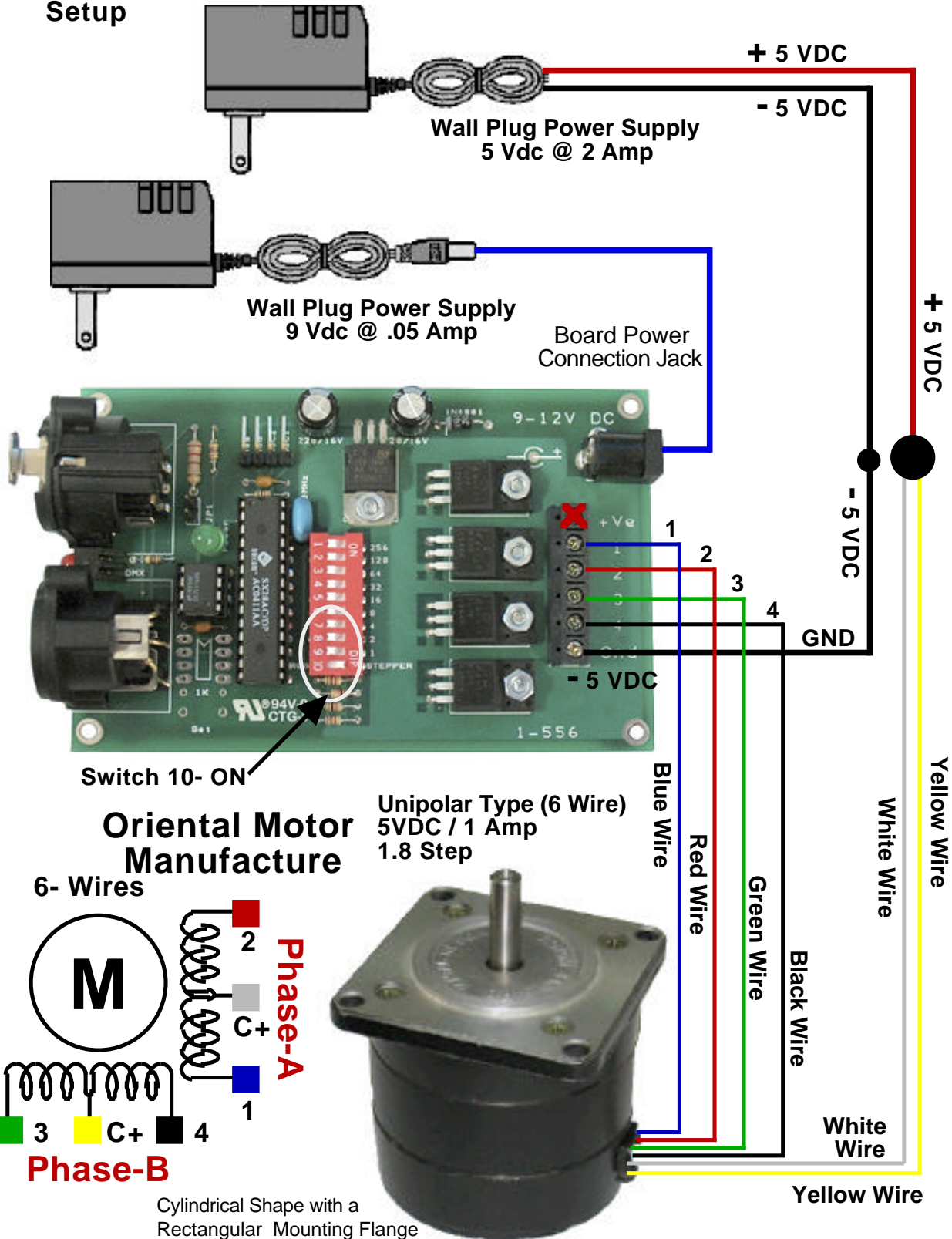
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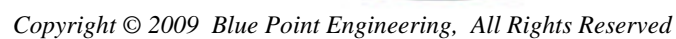
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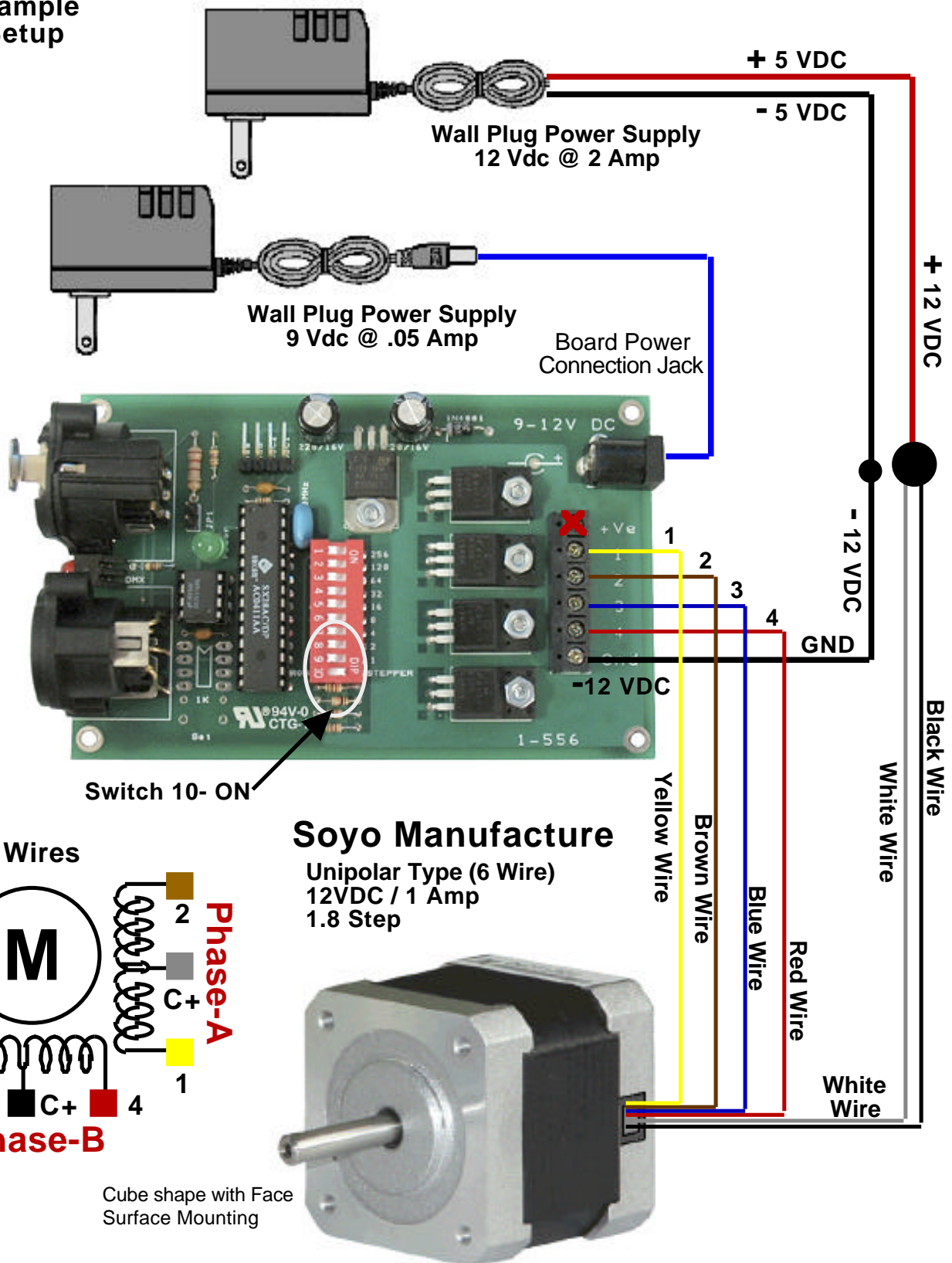
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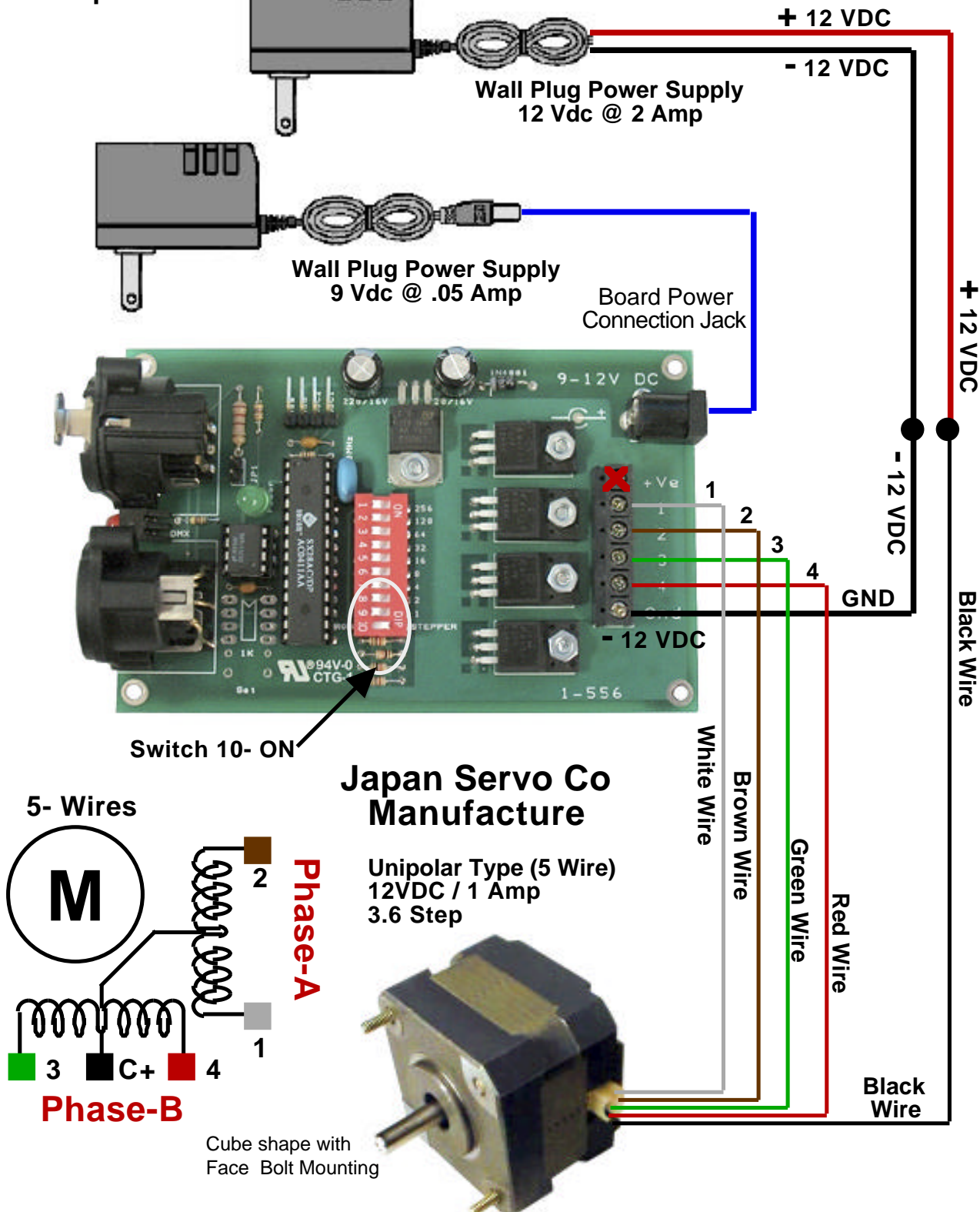
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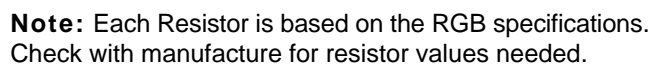


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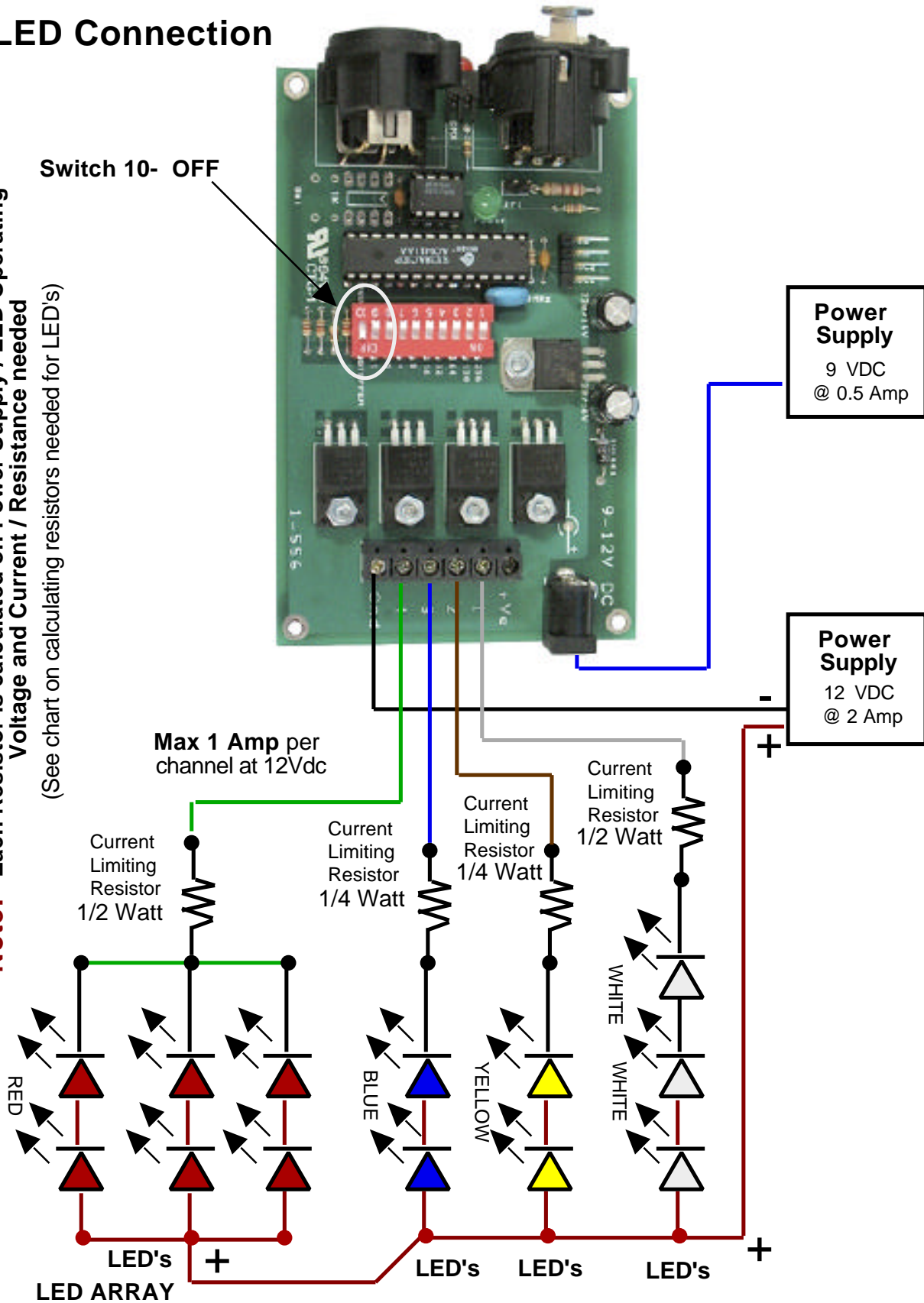
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LED Connection

Note: Each Resistor is calculated on Power Supply / LED Operating Voltage and Current / Resistance needed
(See chart on calculating resistors needed for LED's)

Switch 10- OFF



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