



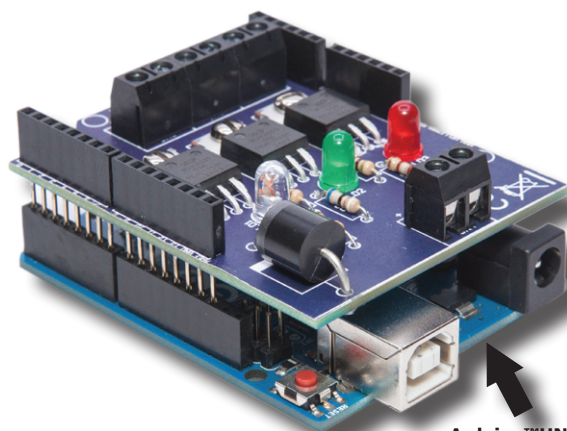
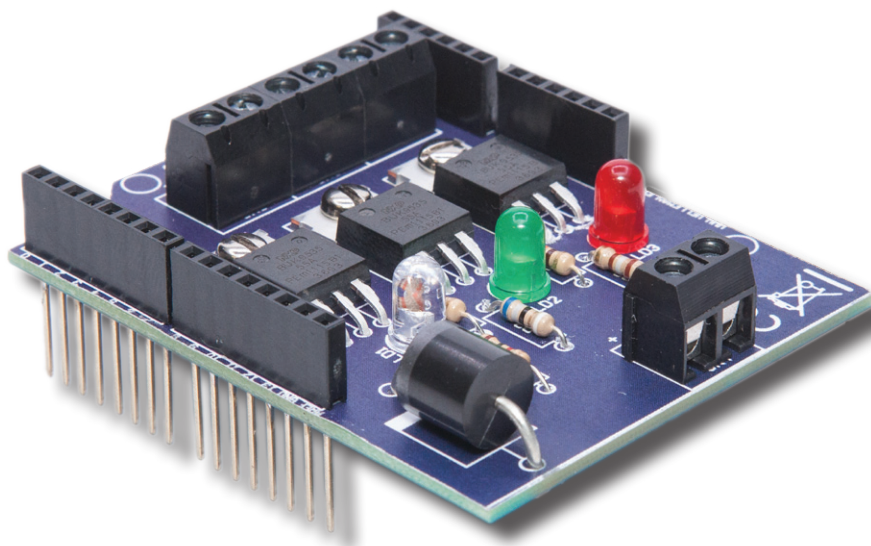
## RGB-shield for Arduino™

Control 3 dimmer channels (1 x RGB or 3 single channels) with Arduino UNO



### Features

- downloadable example sketch
- stackable design: the shield can be stacked with other shields
- large user community
- requires 1 Arduino™ UNO (not included)

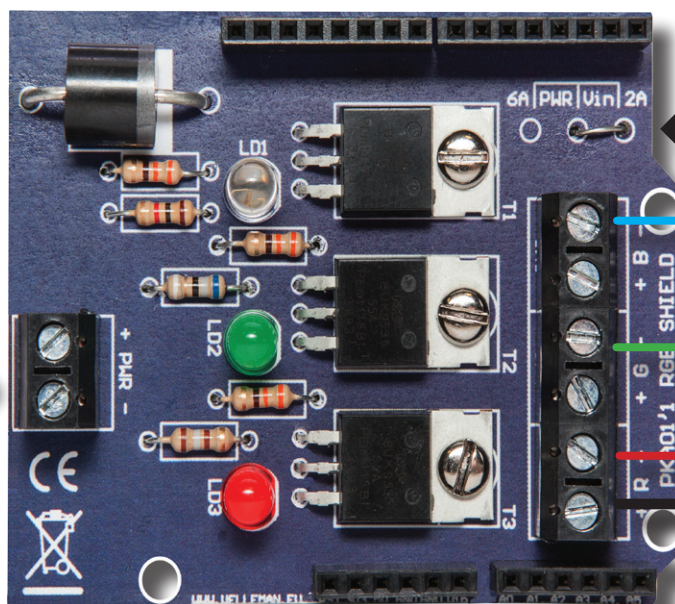


Arduino™ UNO board  
(not included)

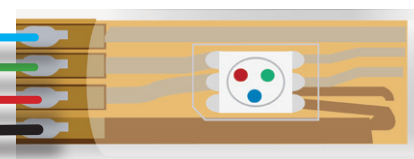
### Specifications

- 2 A load via Vin or 6 A load via external power
- 12 or 24 V external power supply
- uses pin 3, 5, 6 PWM on an Arduino™ UNO board
- dimensions: 68 x 53mm / 2.67 x 2.08"

External Power  
(12 - 24V)



Choose internal or external power



RGB LEDs

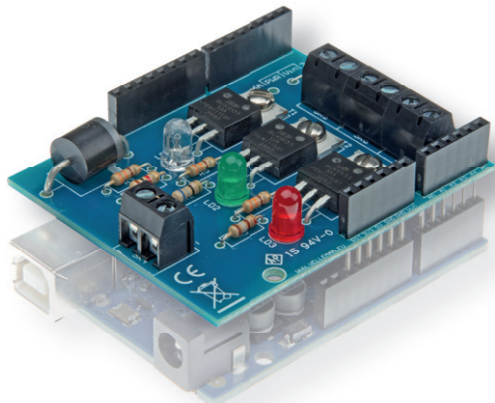
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## RGB Shield for Arduino®



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**Control 3 dimmer channels (1 x RGB or 3 single channels) with Arduino UNO™.**

### Features

- For use with Arduino Due™, Arduino Uno™, Arduino Mega™
- RGB indicator leds
- Screw terminals for led strip connection.
- With cascade connectors for other shields
- Selectable power supply: external power or power from Arduino Uno™ board

### Specifications

- Max. current: 2A/channel
- Max. input voltage: 50VDC
- Dimensions: 68 x 53mm / 2.67 x 2.08"



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## assembly hints

### 1. Assembly (Skipping this can lead to troubles !)

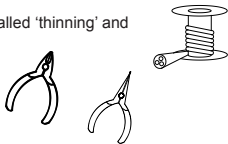
Ok, so we have your attention. These hints will help you to make this project successful. Read them carefully.



#### 1.1 Make sure you have the right tools:

- A good quality soldering iron (25-40W) with a small tip.
- Wipe it often on a wet sponge or cloth, to keep it clean; then apply solder to the tip, to give it a wet look. This is called 'thinning' and will protect the tip, and enables you to make good connections. When solder rolls off the tip, it needs cleaning.
- Thin raisin-core solder. Do not use any flux or grease.
- A diagonal cutter to trim excess wires. To avoid injury when cutting excess leads, hold the lead so they cannot fly towards the eyes.
- Needle nose pliers, for bending leads, or to hold components in place.
- Small blade and Phillips screwdrivers. A basic range is fine.

☞ For some projects, a basic multi-meter is required, or might be handy



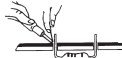
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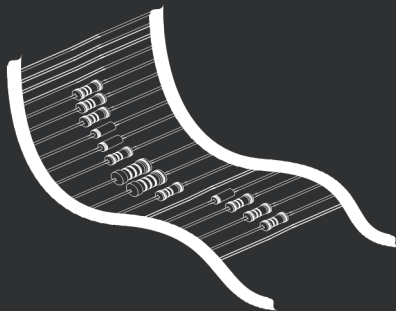
- Make sure the skill level matches your experience, to avoid disappointments.
- Follow the instructions carefully. Read and understand the entire step before you perform each operation.
- Perform the assembly in the correct order as stated in this manual
- Position all parts on the PCB (Printed Circuit Board) as shown on the drawings.
- Values on the circuit diagram are subject to changes, the values in this assembly guide are correct\*
- Use the check-boxes to mark your progress.
- Please read the included information on safety and customer service

\* Typographical inaccuracies excluded. Always look for possible last minute manual updates, indicated as 'NOTE' on a separate leaflet.

#### 1.3 Soldering Hints :

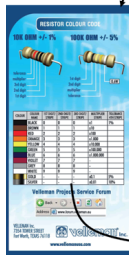
1. Mount the component against the PCB surface and carefully solder the leads
2. Make sure the solder joints are cone-shaped and shiny
3. Trim excess leads as close as possible to the solder joint



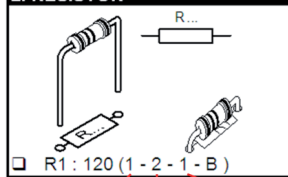


REMOVE THEM FROM THE TAPE ONE AT A TIME !

Included in  
this kit



## 2. RESISTOR



COLOUR	COLOUR NAME	1ST DIGIT/ STRIPE	2ND DIGIT/ STRIPE	3RD DIGIT/ STRIPE	MULTIPLIER STRIPE	TOLERANCE 4TH STRIPE
Black	BLACK	0	0	0	x1	1%
Brown	BROWN	1	1	1	x10	
Red	RED	2	2	2	x100	
Orange	ORANGE	3	3	3	x1.000	
Yellow	YELLOW	4	4	4	x10.000	
Green	GREEN	5	5	5	x100.000	
Blue	BLUE	6	6	6	x1.000.000	

**DO NOT BLINDLY FOLLOW THE ORDER OF THE COMPONENTS ONTO THE TAPE. ALWAYS CHECK THEIR VALUE ON THE PARTS LIST!**

# I CONSTRUCTION

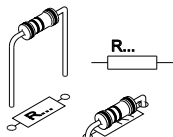
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Select power source



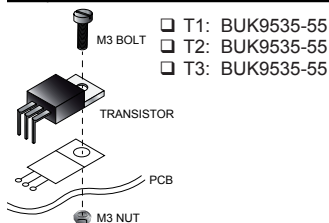
- ☐ Vin: power from Arduino®
- OR
- ☐ PWR: Power from external supply

## 2 Resistors

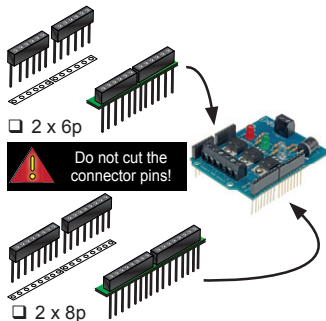


- ☐ R1: 1K (1 - 0 - 2 - B)
- ☐ R2: 68 (6 - 8 - 0 - B)
- ☐ R3: 180 (1 - 8 - 1 - B)
- ☐ R4: 330 (3 - 3 - 1 - B)
- ☐ R5: 330 (3 - 3 - 1 - B)
- ☐ R6: 330 (3 - 3 - 1 - B)

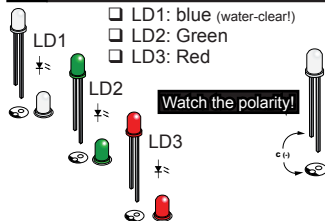
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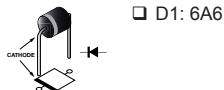
## 4 Female header



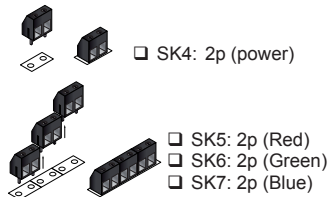
## 5 LED's



## 6 Diode

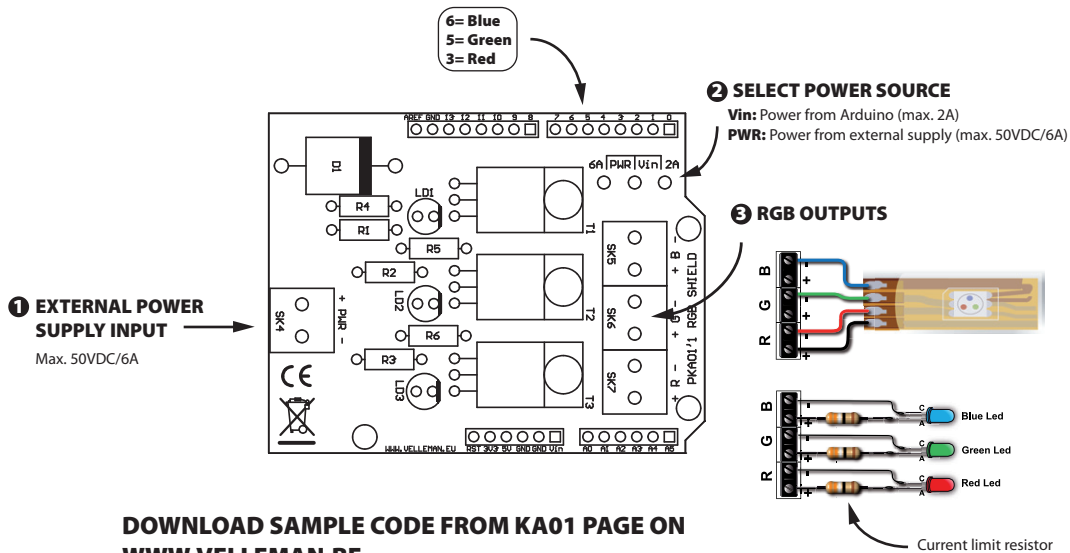


## 7 Terminal blocks

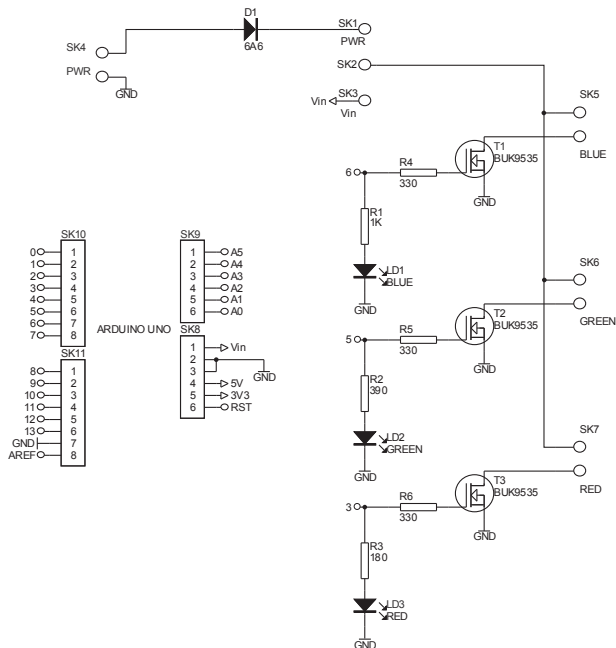


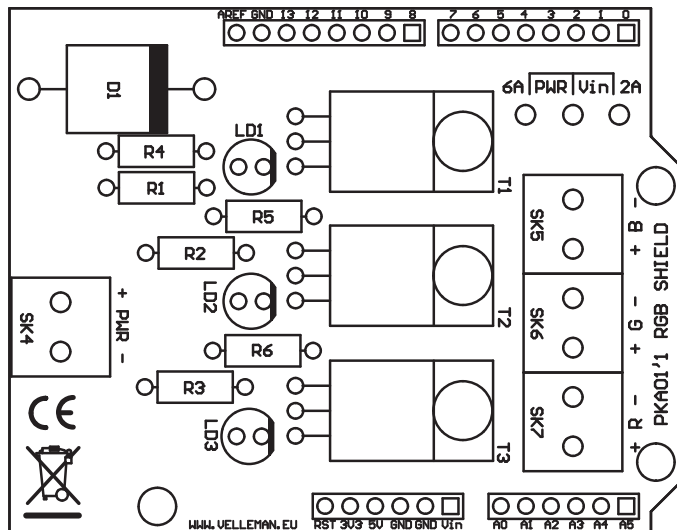


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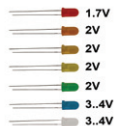




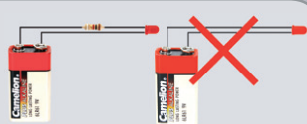
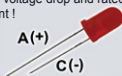




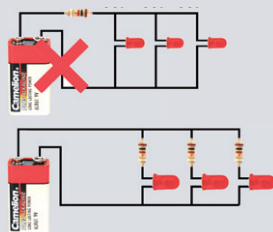
# Leds and how to use them



Leds feature a specific voltage drop, depending on type and colour. Check the datasheet for exact voltage drop and rated current !



Never connect leds in parallel



## How to Calculate the series resistor:

Example: operate a red led (1.7V) on a 9Vdc source.

Required led current for full brightness: 5mA (this can be found in the datasheet of the led)

$$\frac{\text{Supply voltage (V) - led voltage (V)}}{\text{required current (A)}} = \text{series resistance (ohms)}$$



$$\frac{9V - 1.7V}{0.005A} = 1460 \text{ ohm}$$

closest value :  
use a 1k5 resistor

Required resistor power handling=  
voltage over resistor x current passed trough resistor

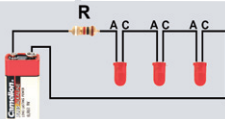


$$(9V - 1.7V) \times 0.005A = 0.036W$$

a standard 1/4W resistor  
will do the job

## LEDs in series:

Example: 3 x red led (1.7V) on 9V battery  
Required led current for full brightness: 5mA  
(this can be found in the datasheet of the led)



$$\frac{\text{Supply voltage (V) - (number of leds x led voltage (V))}}{\text{required current (A)}} = \text{series resistance (ohms)}$$

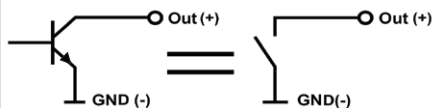


$$\frac{9V - (3 \times 1.7V)}{0.005A} = 780 \text{ ohm}$$

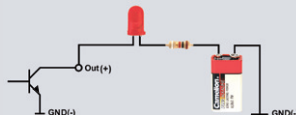
use an  
820 ohm resistor

## open collector outputs

An open collector output can be compared to a switch which switches to ground when operated



Example: How to switch an LED by means of an open collector output







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