

SPK2141.01

Assembly kit - Six digit dcf clock

with 6x56mm red 7 segment LED displays
and temperature

Assembly plan for the kit

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Safety

Follow the manual



This assembly kit is only safe in operation if all instructions are read in this datasheet.

The assembled kit is called in the following module.

General understanding of safety

By the module there are no hazard under normal use.

Intended Use

The module is designed for driving big displays.

Concealed Hazards

- When handling tools such as side cutter, pliers and soldering iron there is a risk of injury. Look for a safe handling and do not touch the hot soldering iron or just heated solder joints.
- The pins of the components are very pointed and sharp! Therefore, this may cause in sores in case of incorrect handling.
- The pins of the components can be pointed and sharp even after installation! Therefore, this may cause in sores in case of incorrect handling.
- Spalling of parts on reverse polarity or overloading of the module.
- Wear during the initial commissioning eye protection.
- If the buzzer emits more than 90 dB, it may cause hearing loss over a long period of time. The circuit board is intended for installation in a housing, thereby lowering the level of the buzzer used.
- Use always passing a ESD bracelet to avoid electric charges! The module can be damaged if handling without an earthing tape and housing! The power should come from a safe transformer (also protected transformer) or a corresponding low voltage power supply for the circuit. Never use a higher voltage or direct mains voltage!



DANGER

following hazards may arise in case of wrong construction of the circuit and wrong handling of module:

- With the direct connection to mains, it's a dangerous voltage on the module and other components, use a safety transformer!
- Reverse polarity and overloading the module may cause in smoke. This smoke possibly contains toxic substances which must not be inhaled! Ventilate the room.
- Reverse polarity or overload of the module can cause a hot surface on the IC or other component in the circuit.
 - There is a risk of burning when touching.
 - And flammable materials, for example Paper, can come in fire.

Modifications of the example circuit

The successfully built device may be damaged. Therefore check as appropriate all housing part and lines for damage. This applies in particular to parts of the directly (for example power cord and power supply) or indirectly come into contact with mains voltage.

Application and function description

Function description

This IC can analyze the DCF77 signal, which is received by a receiver and demodulated. The received time and date can output directly to a 7-segment displays. The clock synchronizes itself automatically once a day. The hour of the synchronization can be set in the menu.

The time is displayed according to DIN 5008, which means a leading 0 at the hour. 8 a.m. looks like 08:00:00 and 8 p.m. 20:00:00

Due to the 6-digit display, the date is not shown according to DIN 5008. The 24 December 2020 looks on the display like 24.12.20.

The DCF77 signal is a low frequency radio signal which transferred the time and date. It will be sent in Frankfurt am Main, derived of the local atomic clock and sent with the carrier frequency of 77.5 kHz. Therefore, these watches are also known as radio clock.

The input for the DCF77 antenna can now automatically detect whether a pullup resistor is required and whether the input has to be inverted.

Even a simple alarm function is implemented.

This IC is suitable for big displays and has a SPI interface for Shift registers or LED driver.

This IC also has an adjustable brightness control for the display, thereby the display is easy to read during the day and at night it does not light out the entire room.

With this IC the **temperature** will be displayed alternately with the time and or date.

This IC has a bootloader, which allows you to update the IC firmware. This means that you will always remain at the current state of the Firmware for the IC, without further costs.

Alarm Function

The simple alarm clock function allows you to set one alarm time so that you are wake up every morning.

In the menu the alarm and the snooze time can be set. With the adjusted snooze time the alarm waits if the alarm is not stopped at a wake-up call, but the snooze function is activated. The maximum alarm time can be adjusted between 2 and 60 minutes.

The alarm can be activated and deactivated also outside the menu. If the wake-up call is active with S1 or S2 the alarm clock can be stopped and with S3 or S4 the snooze function will be activated.



Dissembled time

Because the DCF clock daily synchronized with the current DCF time, it is possible that in worst cases, an incorrect time is read and therefore the wake-up call comes at a wrong time! Therefore, the time synchronization should eventually be placed in a time of day where it is possible to check the correct time before sleeping, if the alarm function is used.

Technical data

- Operating voltage: 12 volts DC
- Current: 1A
- Power: approximately 12 W
- Volume level of the buzzer: approx. 85 to 90 DB
- Accuracy of the timer: better uncalibrated 99.9 %; calibrated better 99.999 %
- Temperature accuracy:
 - Worst inaccuracy: ± 2.5 °C
 - Typical: ± 1 °C
 - Calibrated: $< \pm 1$ °C

The values apply when using the LM35, when calibrated, the value can also be reached for other sensors.

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The schematic diagram illustrates the internal circuitry of the SPP2400 display module, which consists of four parallel channels (LD1 to LD4) driving 7-segment displays. Each channel includes a ULN2803A driver, a 74HC595N shift register, and a 7-segment display (LD1-LD4). The displays are connected to the shift registers via a common bus. The shift registers are controlled by a single clock (CLK) and data input (DATA). The displays are also connected to a common ground (GND) and a common power supply (Vcc). The diagram includes component values, pin connections, and a legend for Vcc and ground symbols.

Legend:

- Vcc: 5V
- GND: 0V
- 100n: 100nF
- 100m: 100mF

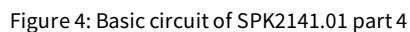
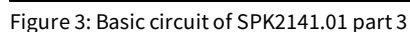
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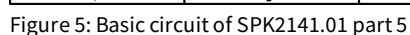
- ULN2803A: 74HC595N
- 74HC595N: 74HC595N
- 7-segment display: LD1-LD4
- Resistor: 390, 391, 392, 393
- Capacitor: C200, C201, C202, C203

Pin connections:

- ULN2803A: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100
- 74HC595N: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100
- 7-segment display: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100

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Bill of material

Pos	Quantity	Name	Value	Package
Scope of delivery				
1	1	T400	BPW42	FOTO
2	2	T300,T301	ULN2803AFW	DIL18
3	4	T200,T201,T202,T203	ULN2803A	DIL18
4	4	S101,S102,S103,S104	PHAP3301D	KURZHUBTASTER
5	1	S100	SUMMER TDB 05	D18R7,62
6	1	R400	100k	0207
7	42	R201,R202,R203,R204,R205,R206,R207, R209,R210,R211,R212,R213,R214,R215, R217,R218,R219,R220,R221,R222,R223, 220 R225,R226,R227,R228,R229,R230,R231, R301,R302,R303,R304,R305,R306,R307, R309,R310,R311,R312,R313,R314,R315		0207
8	6	R200,R208,R216,R224,R232,R300,R308	390	0207
9	1	R100	100	0207
10	1	Q100	HC49U 8MHz	HC49
11	1	L100	10µH	0207
12	1	IC500	7805	TO220
13	1	IC400	LM35DZ	TO92(1)
14	6	IC200,IC201,IC202,IC203,IC300,IC301	74HC595N	DIL16
15	1	IC1	SPM2141 PDIP	DIL28
16	1	D502	P6KE6V8A	SMB
17	1	D501	P6KE15VA	SMB
18	1	D500	1N4001	D
19	3	D100,D102,D103	P6SMD 6,8A	SMB
20	1	D101	1N4148	DO35
21	1	C502	10µ / 16	ELKO1
22	17	C100,C101,C102,C103,C109,C110,C111, C112,C200,C201,C202,C203,C300,C301, C401,C402,C501	100n	C2
23	1	C500	100µF / 16	ELKO1
24	1	C400	220n	C2
25	1	C108	1n	C2
26	1	C106	10n	C2
27	2	C104,C105	NP0 27pF	C1
To order separately				
28	6	LD1,LD2,LD3,LD4,LD5,LD6	SA23-12SRWA	S_23-12
29	4	D200,D201,D202,D203	LED5MM,ROT,DIFFUS LED_5MM	

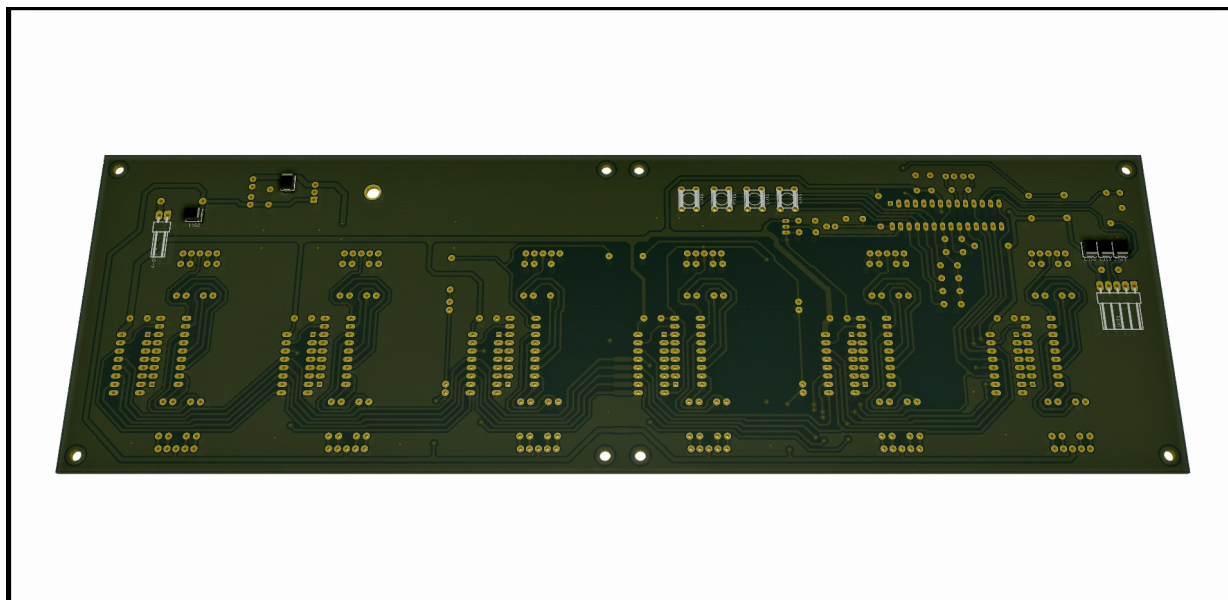


Figure 9: Basic SMD assembly of SPK2141.01 step 1

First, the SMD components should be soldered on the bottom side, these are for electrostatic protection (ESD) and to improve the electromagnetic compatibility (EMC).

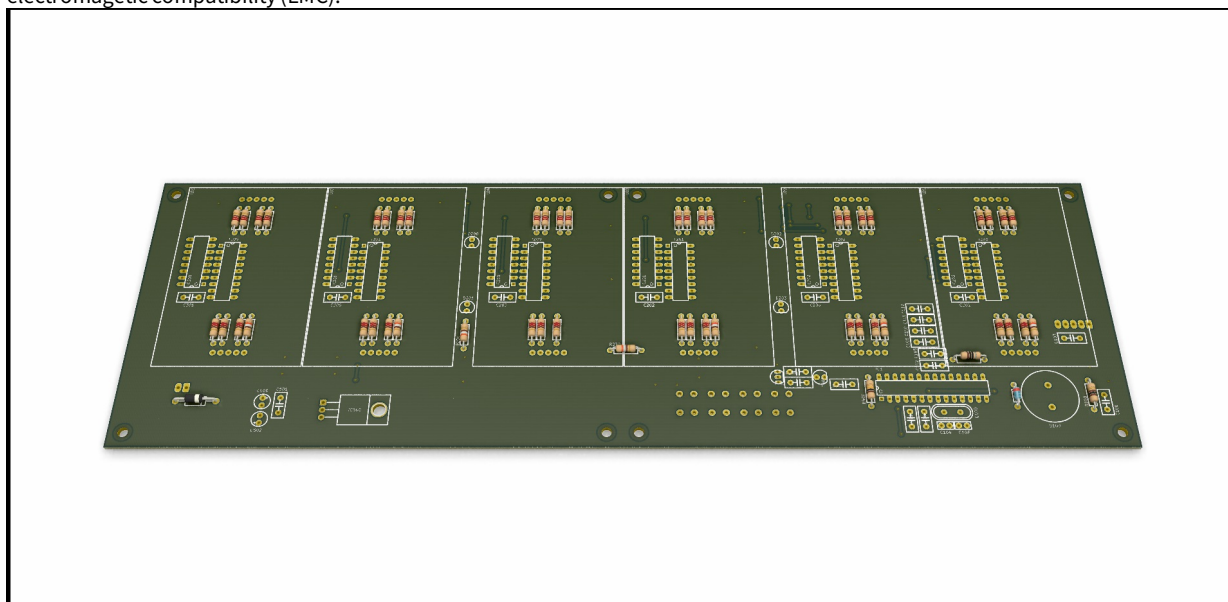
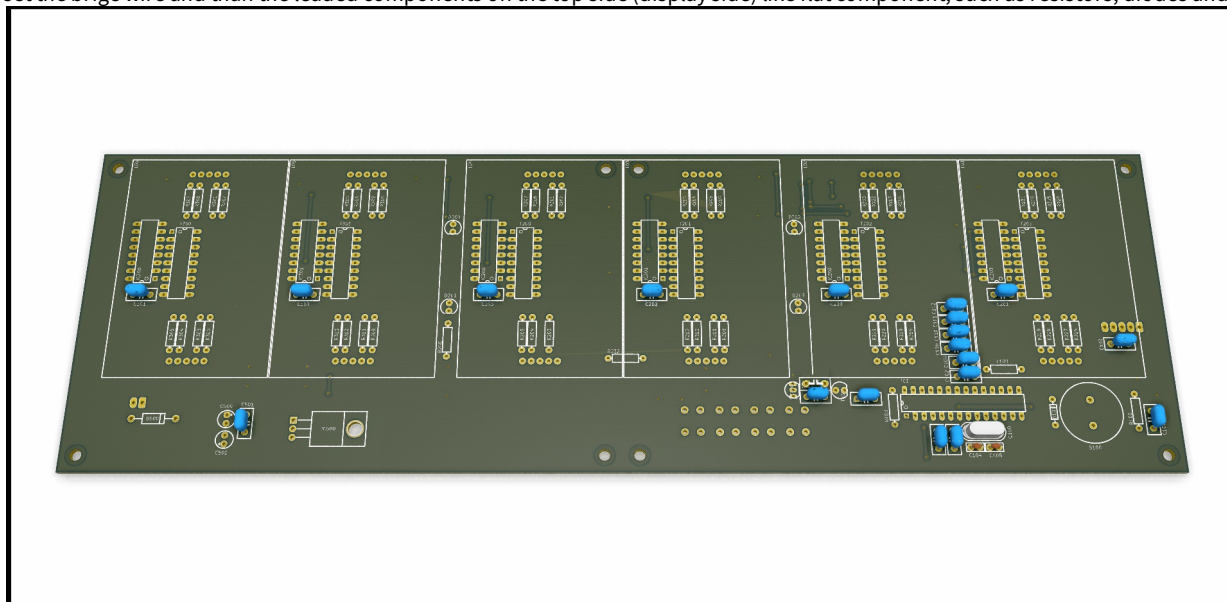


Figure 10: Basic assembly of SPK2141.01 step 1

Now set the bridge wire and then the leaded components on the top side (display side) like flat component, such as resistors, diodes and



coils.

Figure 11: Basic assembly of SPK2141.01 step 2
Now you can solder ceramic capacitors and the quartz.

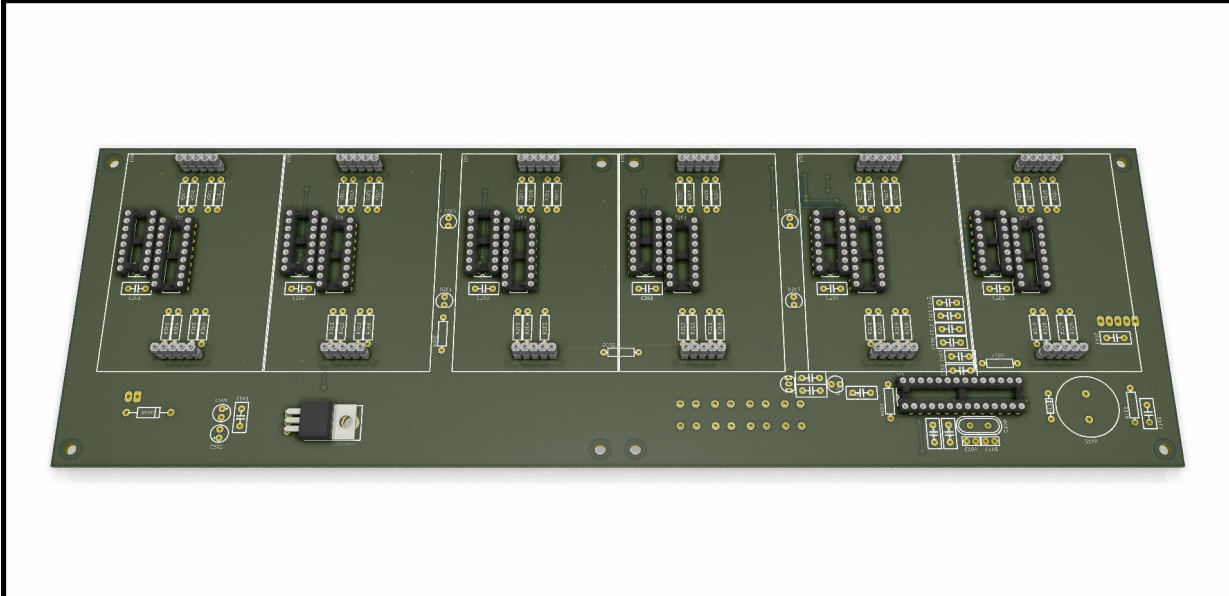


Figure 12: Basic assembly of SPK2141.01 step 3
Next comes the IC sockets for the SPM2x41P, 74HC595, and ULN2803A. The IC's can also be soldered directly, but should not. Furthermore, assemble the female connectors and the voltage regulator in the TO220 housing.

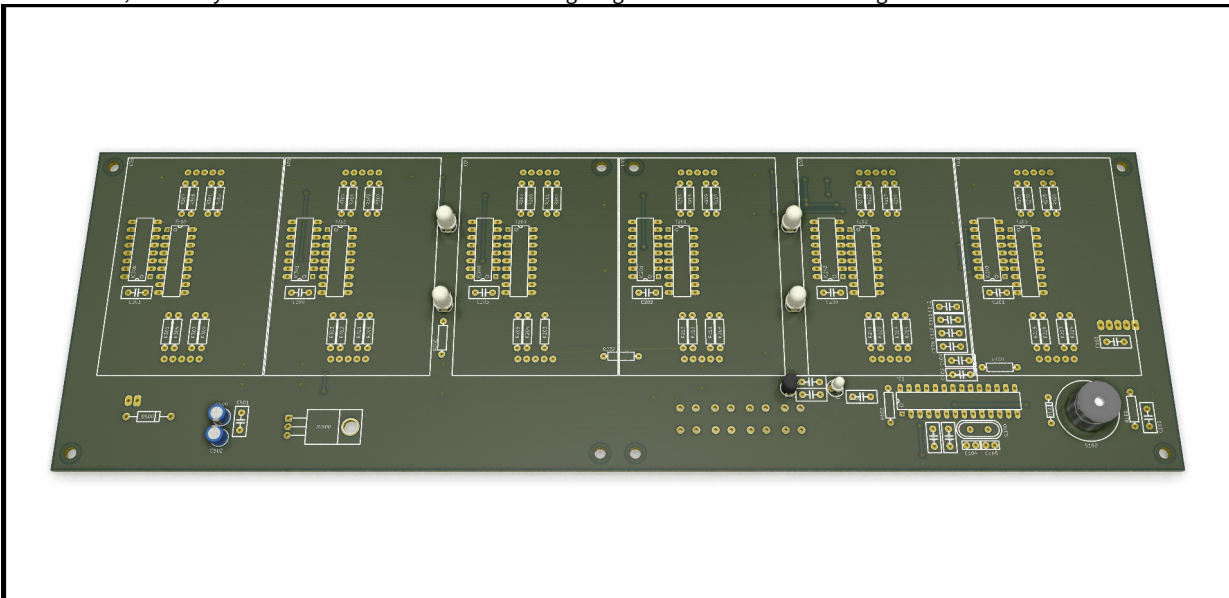


Figure 13: Basic assembly of SPK2141.01 step 4
Now it is the temperature sensor LM35 turn. Please make sure to keep enough distance. The buzzer can now also be soldered. The Elko's are a bit higher and therefore come now.

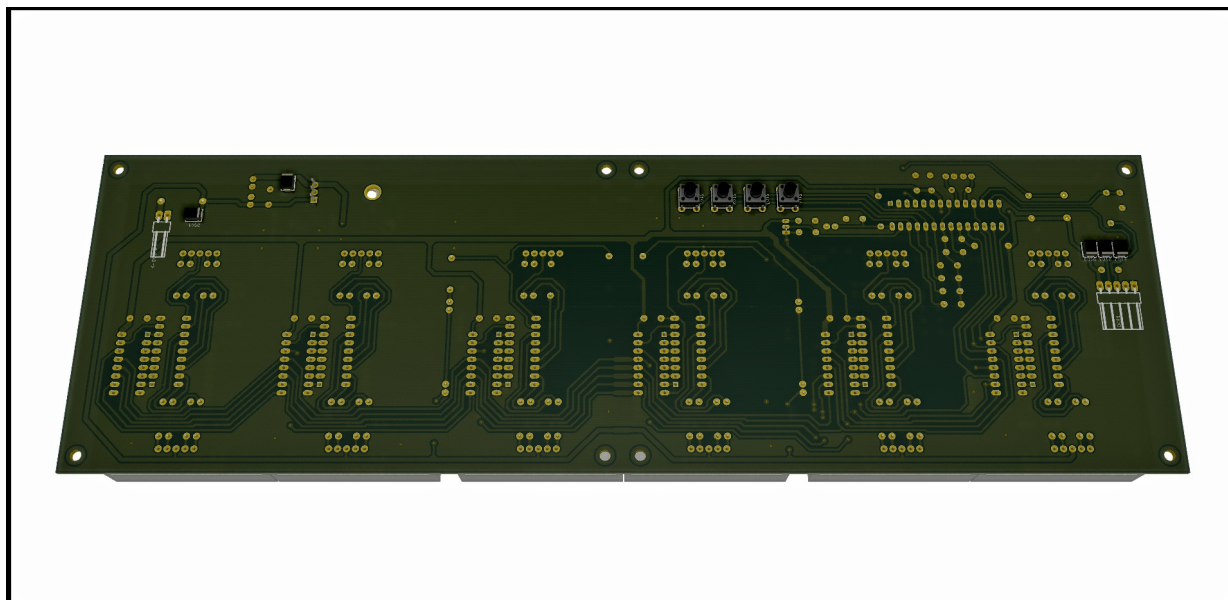


Figure 14: Basic assembly of SPK2141.01 step 5

Now it is the turn of the buttons, but they can also be soldered on top, as you like.

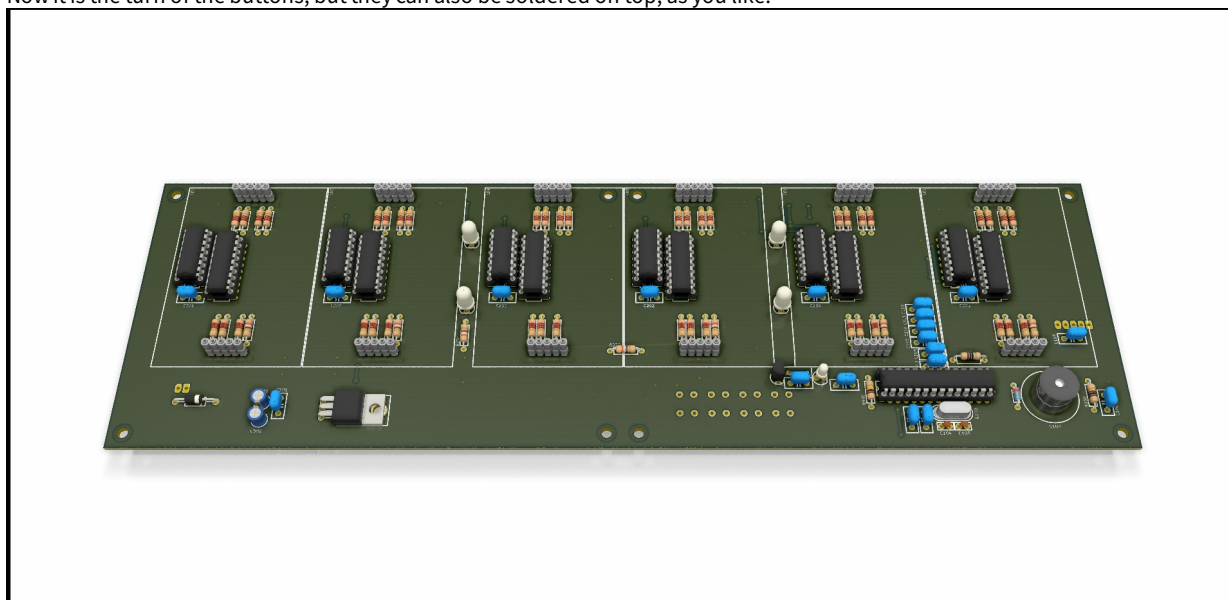


Figure 15: Complete assembly of SPK2141.01

The finished modul without displays and it still lacks the wires to the supply voltage and the DCF receiver.

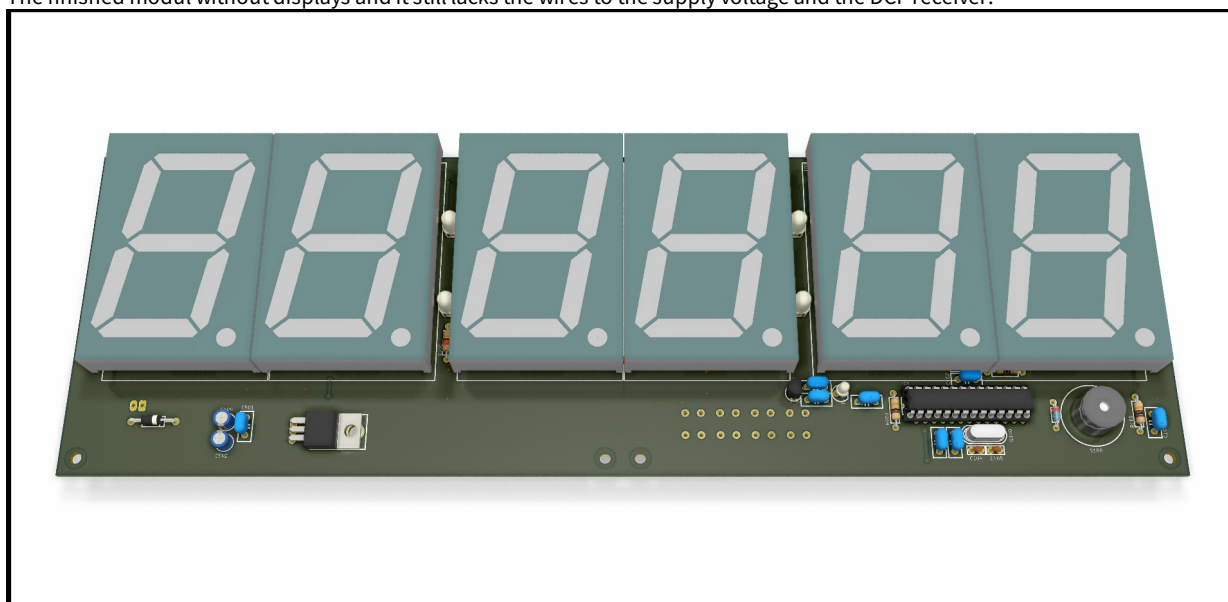


Figure 16: Complete assembly of SPK2141.01 with display

The finally assembled pcb, only the wires for the supply voltage and the DCF receiver are missing.

Connectors

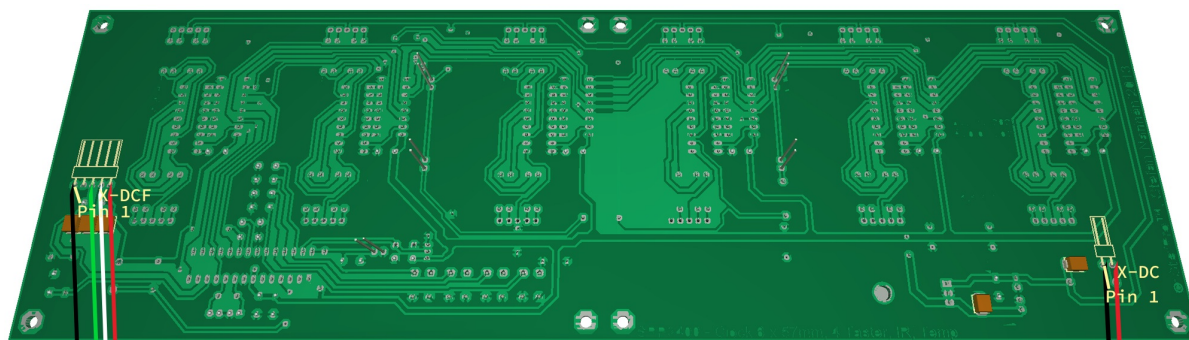


Figure 17: Connector description for module SPP2400.0

Insert the appropriate plugs with little effort.



Make sure that you have connected all signals correctly. There is no overload and polarity protection!

X-DC : DC Power input : Print plug 2 pole

Pin	Name	Direction	Function	Maximum
1	GND	Power		
2	V+	Power	Power supply input of the module	12 volts DC, 1A

X-DCF : DCF input, DCF PowerSave output: Print connector 5 pin

Pin	Name	Direction	Function	Maximum
1	GND	Power		
2	N.C.		Do not connect	VCC
3	DCF in	Digital input	<u>DCF signal input</u>	VCC
4	DCF ps	Digital Output	<u>DCF PowerSave output</u>	VCC
5	VCC	Power		5 volts DC, 30mA

Never solder the DCF module directly onto the circuit board, even if the ELV module suggests it. Please connect this with some stranded wire to allow a certain distance to the display.

Properties of the components

7 segment displays

The seven-segment display LD1 and LD2 must have a common anode. Via R1 to R8 the brightness of the LEDs can be set.

Possible displays

SA23-12SRWA in red, SA23-12QBWA in blue, SA23-12GWA in green, SA23-12YWA in yellow by Kingbright. Others on request.

Effect of an acrylic glass

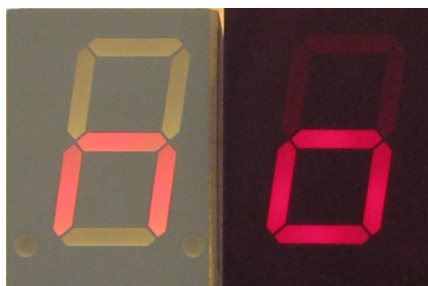


Figure 18: SA08-11SRWA left without and right with contrast pane with back light.



Figure 19: SA08-11SRWA left without and right with contrast pane without back light.

Below with and above without back light.

Because the display control is static, all 7 segment displays can be used. It can only be that, with reduced brightness setting, not all 7 segment displays lead to the desired result.

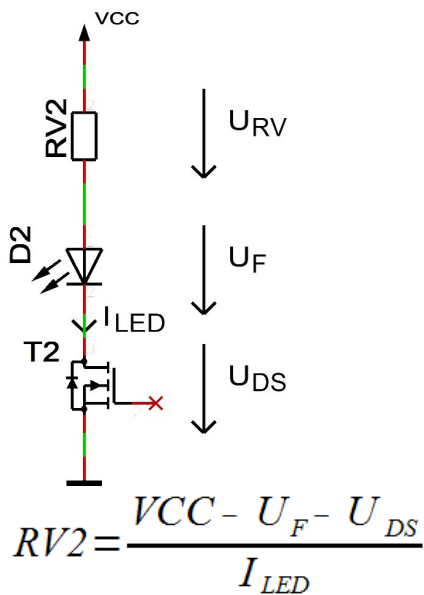
All segments with 4 LEDs were limited with a 220 ohm resistor. All segments with 2 LED (decimal point on SA23 and SA40) were limited with 390 ohm resistor.

Since this circuit is not optimized for minimal component and power requirements, the readability for direct exposure to headlights or sunlight is good even without a contrast panel.

It is recommended to place a contrast panel in front of the display, see figure 19 and 18.

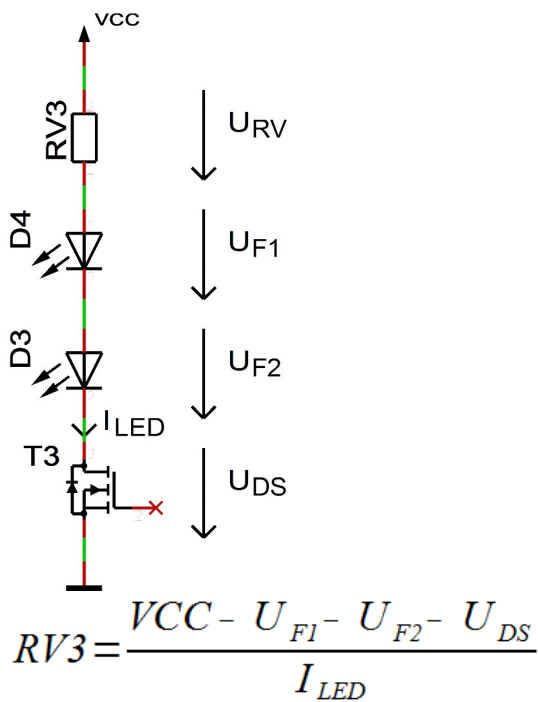
Note: The menu is always displayed with 100% brightness.

Calculate the series resistor for one LED




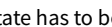
- $U_{DS} \approx 0$
- $I_{LED} < 35 \text{ mA}$

Calculate the series resistor for two LED



- $U_{DS} \approx 0$
- $I_{LED} < 35 \text{ mA}$

DCF module properties

- The module has to be able to work with an operating voltage of 5V (some modules have an operating voltage range of 1.2 to 15 volts, these are also usable)
- The output has to be able to drive a CMOS input with a input impedance of 10kΩ
- For DCF modules with open collector (open collector) or open drain output the input detected automatically by default whether a pull-up resistor is required. In menu a pull-up resistor can be connected or disconnected permanently.
- Polarity of the output:
 - The output has to be non inverting, the high  state has to be 100ms or 200ms
 - The output has to be inverting, the low  state has to be 100ms or 200ms
 - The receiving LED should at good reception signal flash every second for 100 ms and 200 ms. Does the receiving LED goes off every second for 100 ms and 200 ms, then the polarity is wrong. Unfortunately, you then connected a wrong module, this can't be analyzed with the

microcontroller.

- Whether the output is non inverting or inverting, is detected automatically by default or can be set in the menu.
- The receiving LED should at good reception signal flash every second for 100 ms and 200 ms. Does the receiving LED goes off every second for 100 ms and 200 ms, then the polarity is wrong. To correct this, you has to be invert the setting for the inverting DCF input pin in the menu. (Instead of on → off → on or off)
- The DCF module can have a power on / off pin. Then the DCF module is automatically switched off when the DCF signals from the microcontroller are not analyzed. In the menu can be set if the DCF module is with low or high on.

Tested modules

Module	GND	VCC	DCF input	PowerSave output	Comment
Conrad DCF Modul	1 (GND)	2 (Betriebs...)	3 (DCF Ausgang)	-	
ELV DCF Modul	3 (Masse)	1 (+ UB)	2 (Signal-Ausgang)	-	
Pollin DCF Modul	GND	VCC	DATA	PON	Caution An additional circuit is required for an operating voltage of more than 3.3V!

Our standard color coding for DCF signals

- GND: black
- VCC: rot
- DCF input: green
- PowerSave output: white (is not supported by each DCF receive module)

Connect the DCF module with approx. 10 cm wire, it is best to select the colors as in the table above, so that this can be mounted at some distance from the display.

WARNING

Please check the pin assignments! It is not in our hands whether the manufacturers of the DCF receive modules change the pin assignments at a later date.

Power supply properties

Since the clock is usually to be operated on a 230 volt power supply, a power supply unit is required. This can be a normal transformer power supply or a switching power supply.

Transformer power supply:

- Pro:
 - Cheap
 - Little interference for DCF reception
- Contra:
 - Heavy
 - Depending on the power is it big
 - Poor efficiency
 - Even if the circuit requires little power, some power may be needed
 - Higher electricity costs

Switching Power Supply:

- Pro:
 - Light
 - Small
 - Good efficiency is possible
 - Standby possible with very low power requirements
 - Lower electricity costs than with the transformer power supply
- Contra:
 - Larger interference for DCF reception
 - Usually a little more expensive

Switching power supplies should be preferred, unfortunately they have the disadvantage that many can interfere with the DCF reception and the DCF clock is not synchronized. Switching power supplies with a PE feedthrough (PE is connected to ground) often have better interference behavior, but this cannot be generalized. The switching power supplies offered in our shop have been tested and only minimally interfere with DCF reception.

WARNING

Use only a power supply unit with electrical isolation!

Quartz - Accuracy of the time

The quartz, microcontroller, quartz capacitor combination decisively determine the accuracy of the clock. Since the kit is delivered unassembled, prior coordination is not possible and only uncalibrated accuracy is ensured.

The supplied accuracy is completely sufficient for normal use if the clock is synchronized daily with the DCF time.

The accuracy can be measured on the TB pin, which can be found in the pin assignment in the corresponding data sheet for the IC. If the clock is inaccurate, first check the soldering points of the quartz, the quartz capacitors and the controller. These solder points must be correctly soldered and dirt such as Flux should be removed.

You can carry out a calibration yourself with the appropriate measuring equipment or you can order it from us with cost. Check the [items in our shop](#).

To carry out the calibration, measure on pin TB with a multimeter, which frequency or period measurement can or with a frequency meter the output frequency. This should be as accurate as possible at 1 kHz or 1ms (for period measurement). A long gate time (duration of the frequency measurement) is advantageous because the interrupts create a little jitter (slight variation in the frequency). The calibration can be done digitally in firmware in somewhat rough steps in the menu "Calibrate quartz" or with a trim capacitor (this is not listed in a kit or parts list) in very fine steps. The best result is achieved by a trimming capacitor. However, since these are rarely produced, they are expensive and the increase of accuracy is minimal. Furthermore, for trimming capacitors you need a good tactile adjustment tool, a "normal" screwdriver usually does not work.

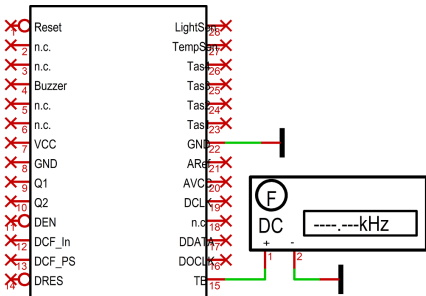


Figure 20: Calibrate quartz

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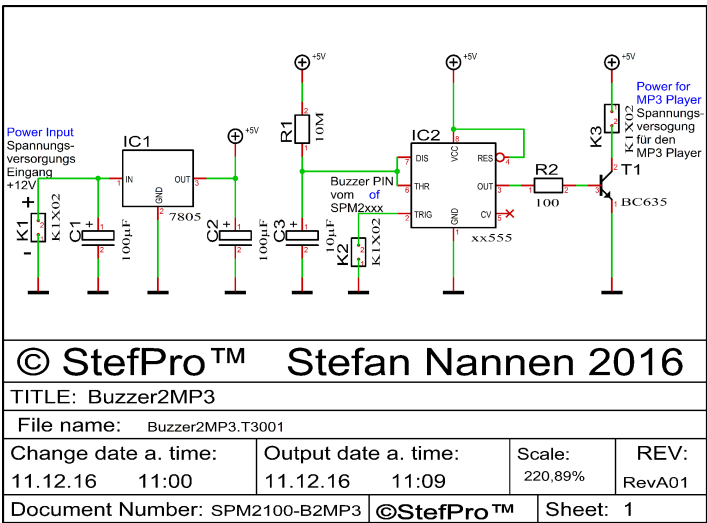
Of course, the measuring device must have a corresponding accuracy.

Buzzer to MP3 player

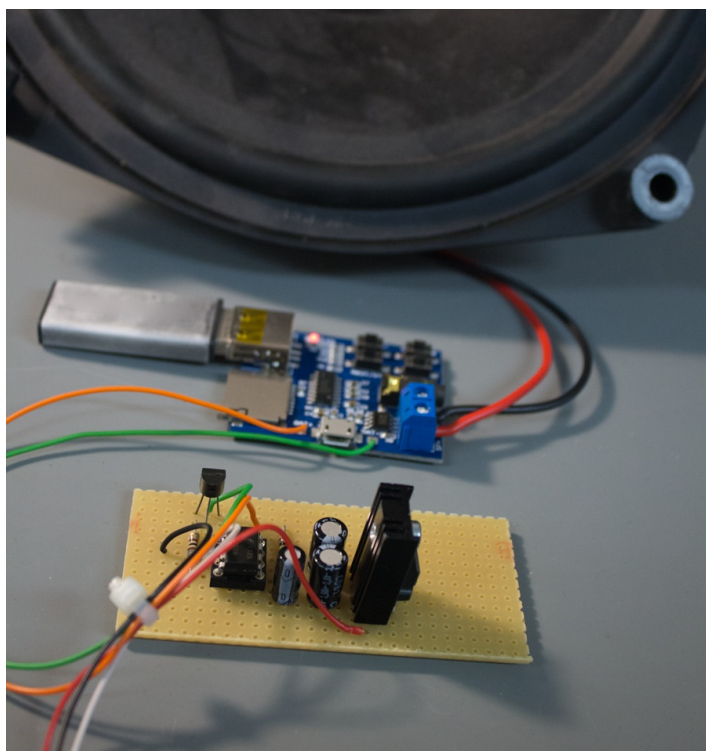
If an MP3 player is to be used instead of a self-exciting buzzer, a small circuit must bridge the signal off time.

This is possible with this very simple circuit, with a NE555, build-up as a retriggerable mono-flop.

Furthermore, there is a small power supply for the MP3 module, because most of the imported modules requires a voltage supply of 5 volts. The current is still acceptable with a connected 4 Ohm loudspeaker for a 7805 with heat sink and a current of 200 to 500 mA, since the alarm shouldnot play for more than 30 min. However, it is also possible to use a PIN compatible DCDC converter by different manufacturers.

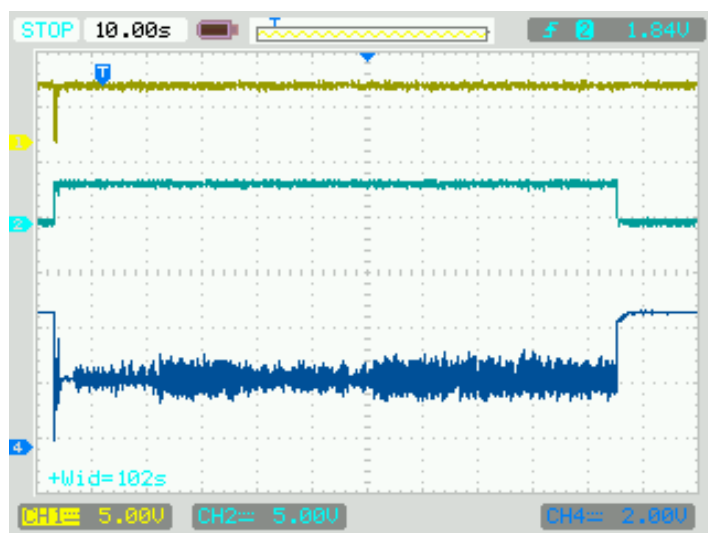


Combination R1 and C3 gives a mono time of approx. 2 min.



Colors of thin wires:

- red: plus supply voltage ($\leq +12$ Volt)
- black: minus supply voltage
- white: Buzzer signal from the IC SPK2141.01
- orange: plus MP3 Player Module (+5 Volt)
- green: minus MP3 Player Module

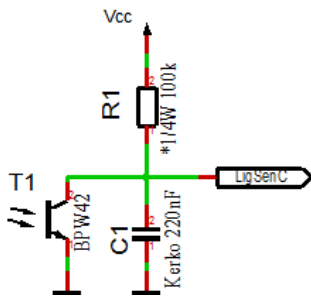


Colors of the signals:

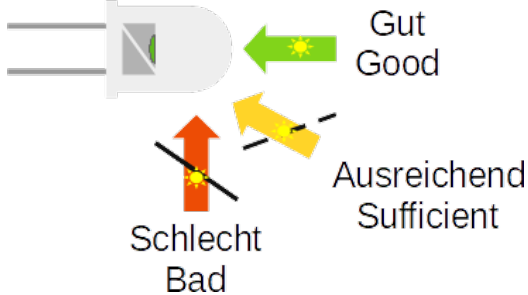
- yellow: Trigger signal
- light blue: MP3 Player Power Supply
- dark blue: Output from the MP3 Player

Properties of light sensor with Phototransistor

The light sensor is used to control the brightness of the display. As light sensors many phototransistors are suitable, in the example circuit a BPW42 is used. If another phototransistor is used, you may need to change the value of the pull-up resistor R1. The menu allows to adjust the calculation factor, offset and the control speed. If the sensor is mounted behind a contrast panel, it must be taken to ensure that the wavelength of the phototransistor can pass through the contrast screen.



In the case of the BPW42 and similar photo transistors in the LED diode housing, the incidence of light must take place as follows in order to achieve the best result:



NOTICE

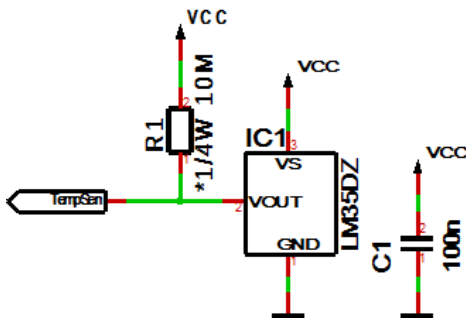
When using a different phototransistor or a different photodiode, it may be necessary to adapt R1 (top picture) and the settings in the menu!

Temperature sensor

The temperature sensor is used to display the temperature and it must be an analog sensor with 10mV / 1°C. This is to be connected to the temperature sensor input (TempSen).

From version 1.79-144 the temperature sensor can be calibrated and also display negative temperatures. The calibration is done with one decimal place, but the display is always an integer.

When installing the temperature sensor, make sure that it does not receive any foreign heating, installation directly on the circuit board can make a difference of several Â° C (Kelvin) under certain circumstances!



R1 is optional for the detection of whether a sensor is connected or not; this is not necessary with permanent wiring.

Method of calibration with a temperature value

You can carry out a calibration with a temperature value yourself with a suitable temperature measuring device.

1. Use a temperature measuring device that is as accurate as possible to measure the temperature that the connected temperature sensor is exposed to; ideally, both sensors are thermally coupled.
2. Select Show temperature in the menu and press the + button for longer than a second, the currently measured temperature is displayed.
3. Set the temperature from the precise temperature measuring device and wait briefly until the display jumps back.
4. The correct temperature should now appear on the display. If this is not the case, repeat the process.

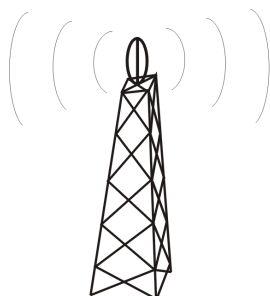
Procedure for calibration with an offset value

The calibration with offset value is intended if you buy a sensor with a previously measured offset value.

1. Select Display temperature in the menu and press the button for longer than one second, the current offset value is displayed.
2. Set the supplied offset value and wait briefly until the display jumps back.
3. The correct temperature should now appear on the display. If this is not the case, please contact us.

The calibration only refers to the offset, the linearity cannot be changed!

Installation the DCF clock



Sender in Frankfurt



DCF77-Antenne

Figure 21: Align the DCF antenna

The external antenna receives the DCF77 signal and should be directed to Frankfurt, as shown in Figure 21. The antenna should be placed at least 1 meter away from a monitor, computer or other disturbing electronic devices .



During installation, the receiving LED can be used as an orientation to the quality of reception. The LED should flash at intervals of one second. If the antenna is properly aligned and the signal is strong enough, the display changes of „no signal,, (No impeccable DCF77 signal) in „SEArCH,, (search for the 59th second). Was the 59th second found so will the display shows „rEAd60,, (read the DCF time) henceforth. It still takes 60 seconds to display the correct time. If the clock is not synchronized to the DCF time, the receiver LED flashes DCF work cycle (power reserve is in operation), if the LED is enabled in the menu. Is the display not changed to „SEArCH,, the antenna is probably disturbed by a device or the antenna is too close to the display. Because the DCF antenna is so sensitive that it can disturb by the display in the near field, there is the possibility to reduce the brightness of the display during the synchronization, or to deactivate the display. This problem have all other DCF clocks with multiplexed LEDs displays also. By a darker display the DCF antenna can be mounted significantly closer to the display.

Synchronize with active display

This mode is active when in menu under "receive brightness" the brightness is set > 0.

Appearance of the text on the screen:



Synchronize with deactivated display

This mode is active when in menu under "receive brightness" the brightness is set to 0.

When synchronizing with disabled display, only one decimal point for orientation appears.





„**SEArCH**„ Search the fifty-ninth second.



„**rEAdXX**„ read the dcf time.

Emitted electrical disturbances by the display

In the near field generates the display, by the fast on and off switching of the LEDs, disturbances. These depend on the brightness of the display. For EMC / CE conformity these disturbances are uninteresting because they are strong only in the near field and occur only under 30 MHz. For sensitive antennas as a DCF77 antenna these disturbances may be problematic, because this increases the distance between the antenna and the display.

To illustrate, a few simple relative measurements were performed with an oscilloscope:

Test setup

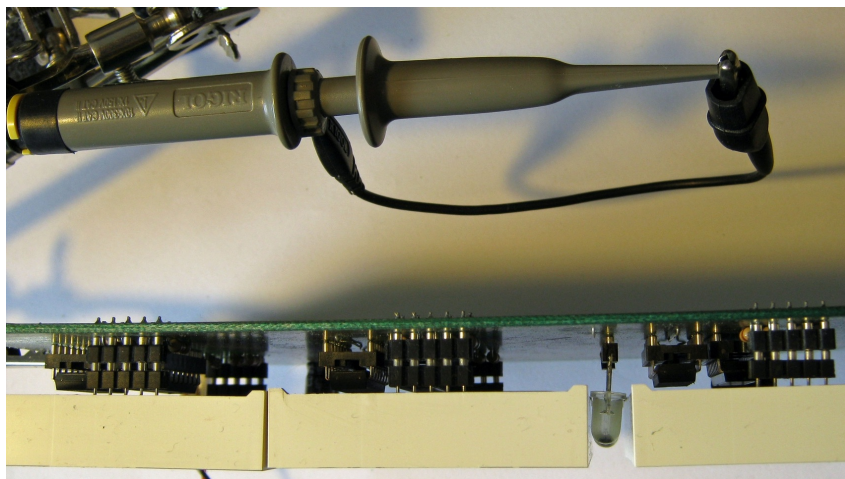


Figure 22: Test setup for the measurement

Measurement results

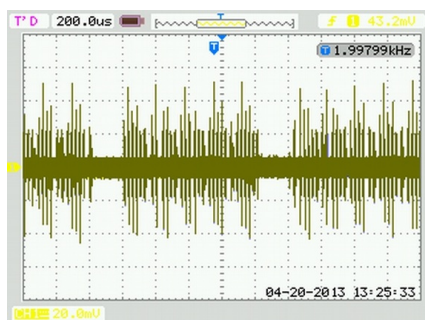


Figure 23: Measurement display is switched off

Figure 23 the display is off, only a decimal point indicates the synchronization status of the DCF time. The "Receive brightness" is on brightness level 0. Only the data packets to determine every second.

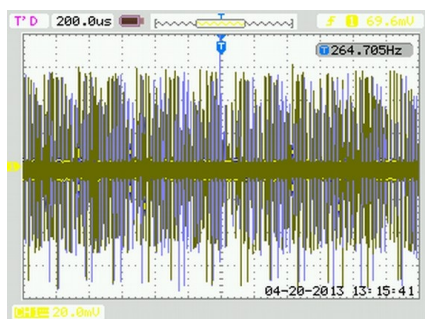


Figure 24: Measurement with brightness level 15

Figure 24 shows the display brightness set to 15 and there will be something displayed. It can be seen slight disturbances in the near field.

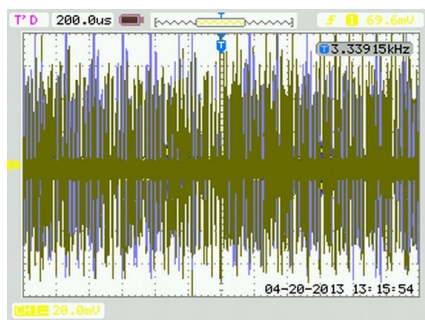


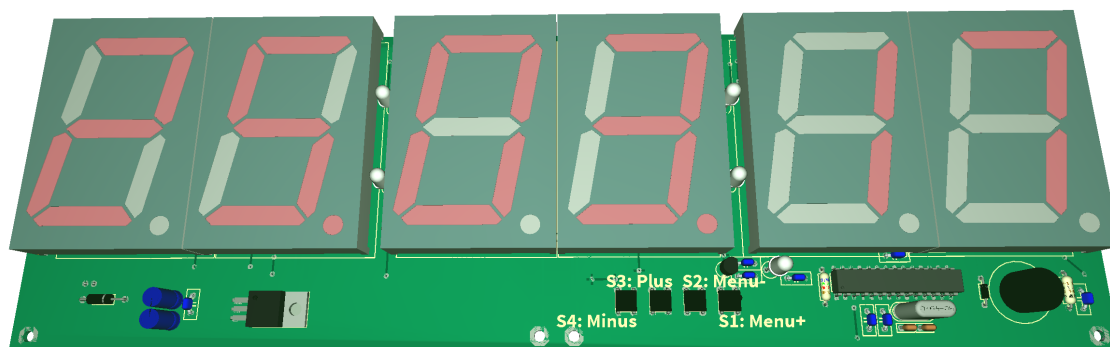
Figure 25: Measurement with brightness level 25

Figure 25 shows on the display brightness set to full brightness level 25 and it will be something displayed. There can be seen big disturbances in the near field.

The measurements were performed with a oscilloscope with 200 MHz bandwidth, a probe 10/1 (in order to obtain the full range) and PeakDetect. It was used the circuit SPP2400.

Button description

Overview of buttons



Button functions

Menu+	Opens the menu, next setting
Menu-	Opens the menu, previous setting
Plus or +	Function key, usually +, On or jump into and exit a submenu
Minus or -	Function key, in general - or off

To open the menu you have to press one the menu buttons. Use the menu+ button to navigate forward and the menu- button to navigate backward.

General key functions

- A submenu is always opened with the "Plus" or "+" key and with menu display "... E" it can be exited again with "Plus" or "+".
- For numerical properties, the number is increased with the "Plus" or "+" key and decreased with the "Minus" or "-" key.
- If it is an On / Off property, then "Plus" or "+" sets On and "Minus" or "-" sets Off.
- With lists, the value is changed according to the order with the "Plus" or "+" button, with "Minus" or "-" this happens in the opposite way.
- In special cases, this is described in detail next to the images.

Menu

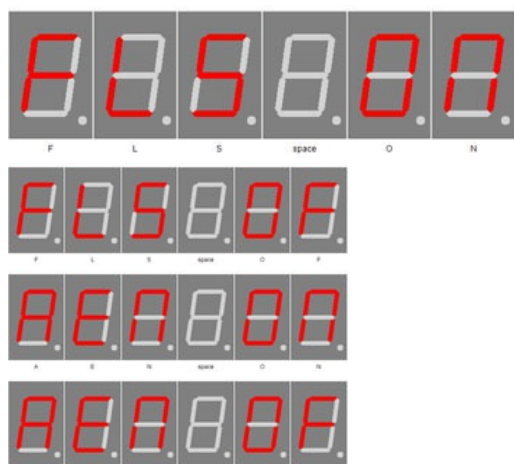
Level 1	Level 2
Normal↓	
Display mode	
of clock↓	
Show	
Temperature↓	
Alarm↓	Alarm enable → Alarm time hour → Alarm time minute → Alarm snooze time → Alarm sound wait time → Alarm maximum time → Alarm exit ⌂
Brightness↓	Brightness menu → Brightness max → Brightness min → Brightness automatically → Brightness speed → Brightness factor → Brightness offset → Activate standby → StandBy start hour → StandBy end hour → StandBy Brightness → Exit brightness settings ⌂
DCF↓	DCF active → Receiving brightness → Hour of synchronization → Receive state display → DCF input pull up → DCF input invert → Power save pin invert → DCF sensitivity → DCF exit ⌂
Clock Settings↓	Set hour → Set minute → Set year → Set month → Set day → Day of week → Set time → Calibrate quartz → Exit clock settings ⌂
Info section↓	
IC number↓	
Firmware version↓	

↓: Next step in main menu.

→: Next step in sub menu.

⌂: The submenu starts again.

Normal

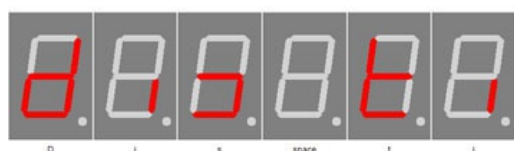


Normal mode, outside of the menu.

Here the plus (+) button has the function of the alarm temporary switch on or off.

The minus (-) button switches the display back to 100% (flashlight) or to normal brightness.

Display mode of clock



Time



Date



Time & Date

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the mode how to display time and date.

- OF: Does not display the time / date. When the temperature display is active, the temperature is displayed continuously. If no temperature display is possible or active, dashes (-) are shown in the display.
- ti: Shows only the time.
- dA: Shows only date.
- td: Shows time and date alternately.

Show Temperature



Display temperature on

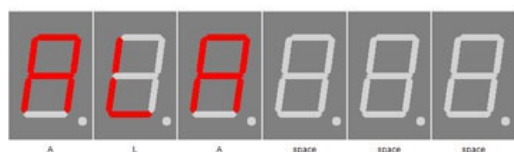


Display temperature off

Enables the temperature display. Plus (+) enables the temperature display and minus (-) disables it.

Long press plus (+) activates the calibration via temperature input, long press - activates the calibration via offset value. You can find more information in the chapter "Temperature sensor" - "Method of calibration ...".

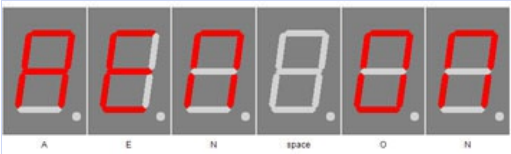
Alarm



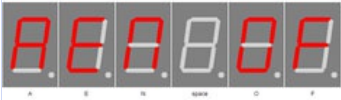
ALARM

With plus (+) you enter the sub-menu Alarm.

Alarm enable



ALARM ON



ALARM OFF

Enables the alarm. Plus (+) sets the alarm to "AEN ON" and minus (-) sets it to "AEN OF".

Alarm time hour



Alarm hour

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the hour for alarm.The number can be 0-23

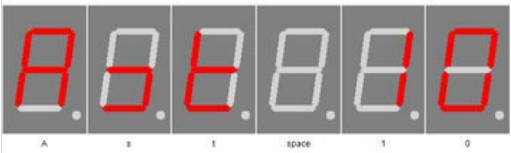
Alarm time minute



Alarm minute

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the minutes for alarm.The number can be 0-59

Alarm snooze time



Alarm snooze time

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the minutes for the snooze function.The number can be 1-30

NOTICE

If "alarm maximum time" is shorter than alarm snooze time, the snooze function is disabled!

Alarm sound wait time



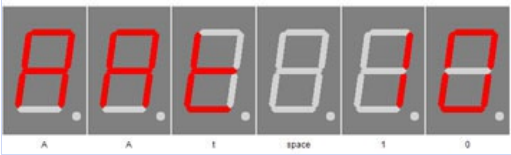
Alarm sound delay

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the maximum time in minutes for the alarm.The number can be 0 - 10.

NOTICE

If "Alarm sound delay" greater selected as maximum alarm time, then the display is only set to 100% brightness! No buzzer alarm!

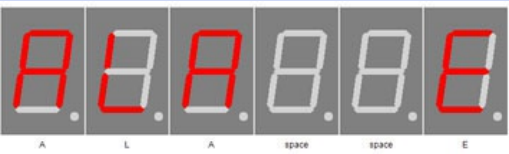
Alarm maximum time



Alarm after time

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the maximum time in minutes for the alarm.The number can be 2-60.

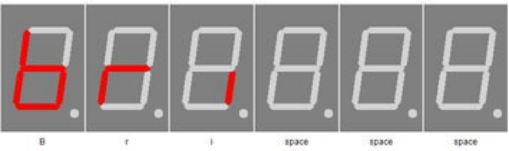
Alarm exit



Alarm exit

With Plus (+) you exit the sub-menu alarm.

Brightness



Brightness

With plus (+) you enter the sub-menu brightness.

Brightness menu



Brightness

Sets the brightness of the menu.The number can be 10-25

Brightness max



Brightness high

In this menu item, the maximum brightness plus (+) and minus (-) of the display can be adjusted.

This is also used when auto brightness is disabled.

The number can be 0-25

Brightness min



Brightness low

In this menu item, the minimum display brightness can be adjusted with plus (+) and minus (-).

The number can be 0-25

Brightness automatically



Brightness automatically on



Brightness automatically off

This allows to turn on with plus (+) and off with minus (-) the auto brightness.

Brightness speed

Brightness speed

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the speed of auto brightness.

The number can be 0-20. The maximum value may differ depending on the firmware.

Brightness factor

Brightness factor

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the calculation factor for auto brightness.

The number can be 1-99

Brightness offset

Brightness offset

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the calculation offset for auto brightness.

The number can be -99 - 99



Brightness offset -99



Brightness offset +99

Activate standby

StandBy (Powersave) Enable On

With plus (+) activate and minus (-) deactivate the standby mode, in this case the display is switched off or darkened. This depends on the "standby brightness". The clock and alarm function are still available, the time, date or temperature are simply not displayed.

Through the flashlight function can this interrupted.



StandBy (Powersave) Enable Off

StandBy start hour

StandBy (Powersave) Start Hour

The standby operation starts from this hour. Only full hour can be set by plus (+) and minus (-).

The range is from 0 (midnight) to 23 (11pm).

StandBy end hour



StandBy (Powersave) Finish Hour - Endstunde

From this hour on, standby operation ends. Only full hour can be set plus (+) and minus (-).

The range is from 0 (midnight) to 23 (11pm).

StandBy Brightness

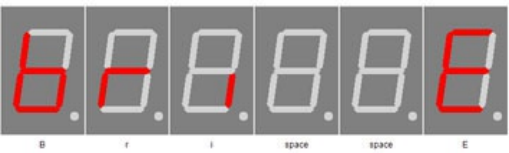


StandBy (Powersave) Brightness level 1

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to adjust the brightness of the display in standby mode, 0 means off.

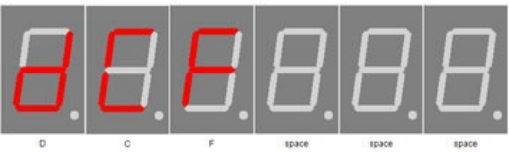
The range is 0 to 90, but 90 corresponds to 9 of the other brightness settings in this menu.

Exit brightness settings



With plus (+) you exit the sub-menu brightness.

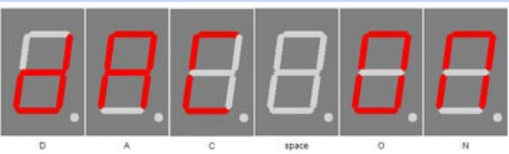
DCF



DCF

With Plus (+) you enter the sub-menu DCF.

DCF active



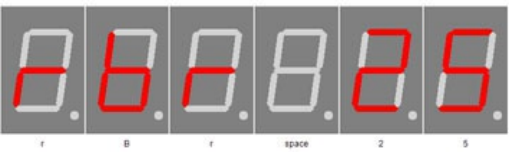
DCF active on



DCF active off

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set whether or not DCF reception is active. If the DCF reception is deactivated, the clock only works with the built-in quartz clock. Note that in this case the time base must be set as well as possible.

Receiving brightness



Receiving brightness

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the brightness during the DCF receiving. If 0, the display is turned off and the status of the synchronization is shown by decimal points. The number can be 0-25.

Hour of synchronization



DCF synchronize hour



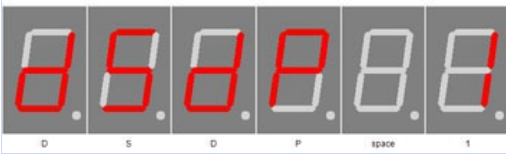
DCF synchronize hour disabled

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the hour in which the DCF clock will synchronize. In this hour, the DCF signal will be analyzed until a synchronization has occurred or the hour changes.

The number can be 0-23.

If the display shows "--" instead of a number, the synchronization hour has been deactivated and the dcf receiver is constantly trying to synchronize. In this case, the receipt display can also be displayed permanently.

Receive state display



DCF status decimal point display

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the mode for the receive LED, which shows the received signal. The number can be 0-2.

- 0: Only until the clock has been synchronized.
- 1: Shows the received signal when the clock is not synchronized with the DCF77 signal.
- 2: During the synchronization phase, the receive signal is always on the receive LED regardless of the DCF77 synchronization flag.

Only while the clock is trying to receive the DCF signal, see "Hour of synchronization".

DCF input pull up



DCF input pull up auto



DCF input pull up on



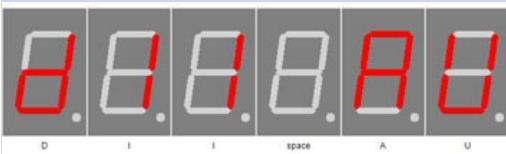
DCF input pull up off

DCF77 input pin with pullup

- AU: Pull Up is automatically (default).
AU is activated by pressing the plus (+) button.
- ON: Enables the pull-up resistor
- OFF: Disables the pull-up resistor
ON and OFF is activated and toggled by the minus (-) button.
- Conrad DCF module = ON
- ELV DCF module = ON
- Pollin DCF module (3.3 V) = OFF

No guarantee for correctness of the information and changes of the manufacturer.

DCF input invert



DCF input invert auto



DCF input invert on



DCF input invert off

DCF77 inverting the input pin

- AU: input is automatically inverted or not (default).
AU is activated by pressing the plus (+) button.
- ON: Input inverts
- OFF: no input inverted
ON and OFF is activated and toggled by the minus (-) button.
- Conrad DCF module = for PIN3 ON, PIN4 OFF
- ELV DCF module = ON
- Pollin DCF module (3.3 V) = OFF

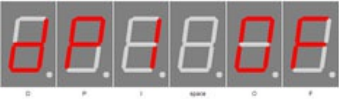
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If the receive LED is off every second, the setting must be inverted.

Power save pin invert



DCF powersave invert on



DCF powersave invert off

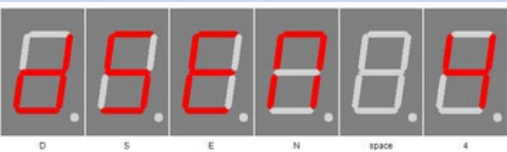
Inverts DCF77 power On / Off output, plus (+) enables inversion and minus (-) disables it:

- ON: Power ON / OFF output is inverted (module ON at GND)
- OFF: power on / off output is not inverted. (module ON at VCC)
- Conrad DCF module = No power on / off input pin available
- ELV DCF module = No power on / off input pin available
- Pollin DCF module (3.3 V) = ON

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Read the instructions of the receiver module for the power on / off pin of the DCF module to set this setting correctly. Many modules do not have this pin, then this setting can be ignored.

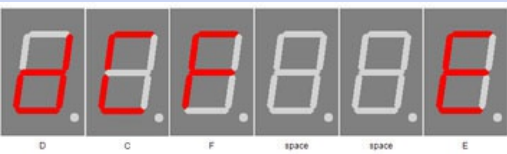
DCF sensitivity



DCF sensitivity

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the DCF Sensitivity. 1 has a very low tolerance and 6 has the highest tolerance for reception. The Sensitivity should be set as small as possible to avoid incorrect receiving. The number can be 1-6

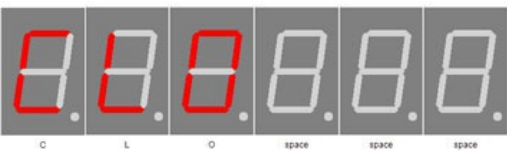
DCF exit



DCF Exit

With plus (+) you exit the sub-menu DCF

Clock Settings



clock

With plus (+) you enter the sub-menu clock.

Set hour



change time

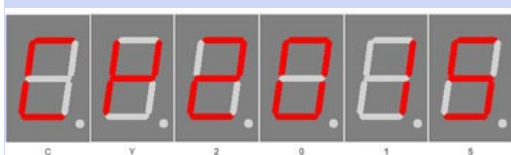
Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the hour. The number can be 0-23.

Set minute



change time

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the minute. The number can be 0-59.

Set year

change year

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the year.
The number can be 2000-2099.

Set month

change month

Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the month.
The number can be 1-12.

Set day

change day

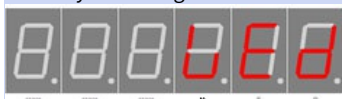
Use plus (+) and minus (-) to set the day, limit by month.
The number can be 1- 28, 29, 30, 31.

Day of week

Monday - Montag



Tuesday - Dienstag



Wednesday - Mittwoch



Thursday - Donnerstag



Friday - Freitag

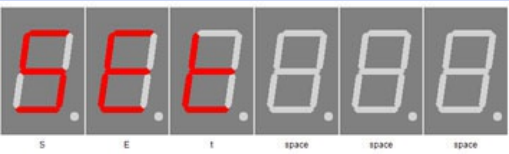


Saturday - Samstag



Displays the day of the week from the set date.

Set time



Set settings

Calibrate quartz

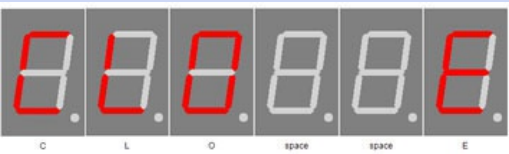


Calibrate quartz +10



Calibrate quartz -10

Exit clock settings



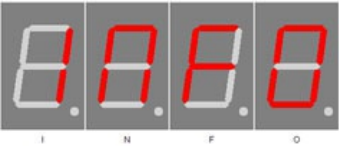
Clock end

Plus (+) sets the time, while looking for DCF time, otherwise the time will be provided directly.

With plus (+) and minus (-) the quartz can be calibrated, a positive value increases the period time and a negative value reduces it. The period should also be set as precisely as possible to 1ms or 1kHz (for frequency measurement). The measurement must be carried out on pin TB. Further information can be found in the chapter [Quartz properties - Accuracy of the time](#).

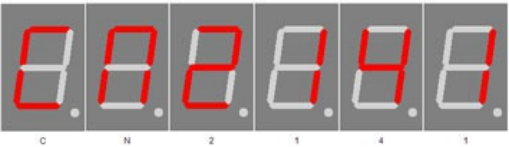
With plus (+) you exit the sub-menu clock. Until here the clock, without DCF synchronization, will be taken and used until the next scheduled synchronization.

Info section



This indicates the start the information area

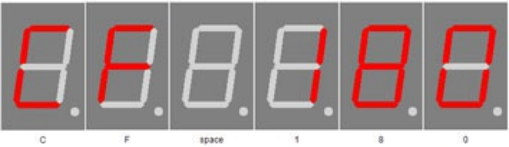
IC number



Chip number

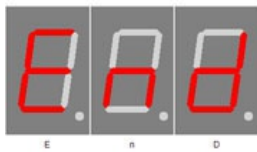
IC / device type

Firmware version



Firmware version

Firmware version
Example, it might be something else at this point.

Menu end

End

End of the menu, hide automatically after 2 seconds.

Attachment

Bootloader handling

Start the IC/module/device in bootloader mode

1. Switch off the IC/module/device.
2. Connect the UART adapter (USB → 3.3 volts or 5 volts UART or RS232 → 3.3 volts or 5 volts UART).
"RXD" → UART adapter TXD and "TXD" → UART adapter RXD.
3. Press the button S1, power up the IC/module/device with voltage and do not release this button until you hear a short BEEP. The display is off.
4. Now you can connect to the firmware upload tool.

**WARNING****Wrong UART level**

If an incorrect voltage level (for example directly RS232, ± 12 Volt) is used, the UART adapter or the IC/module/device can be damaged or destroyed. In the worst case, overheating and fire may occur!

NOTICE**Defect firmware**

Defect firmware can be detected as follows: Every second a short BEEP.

Use the Firmware Upload Tool to upload an update

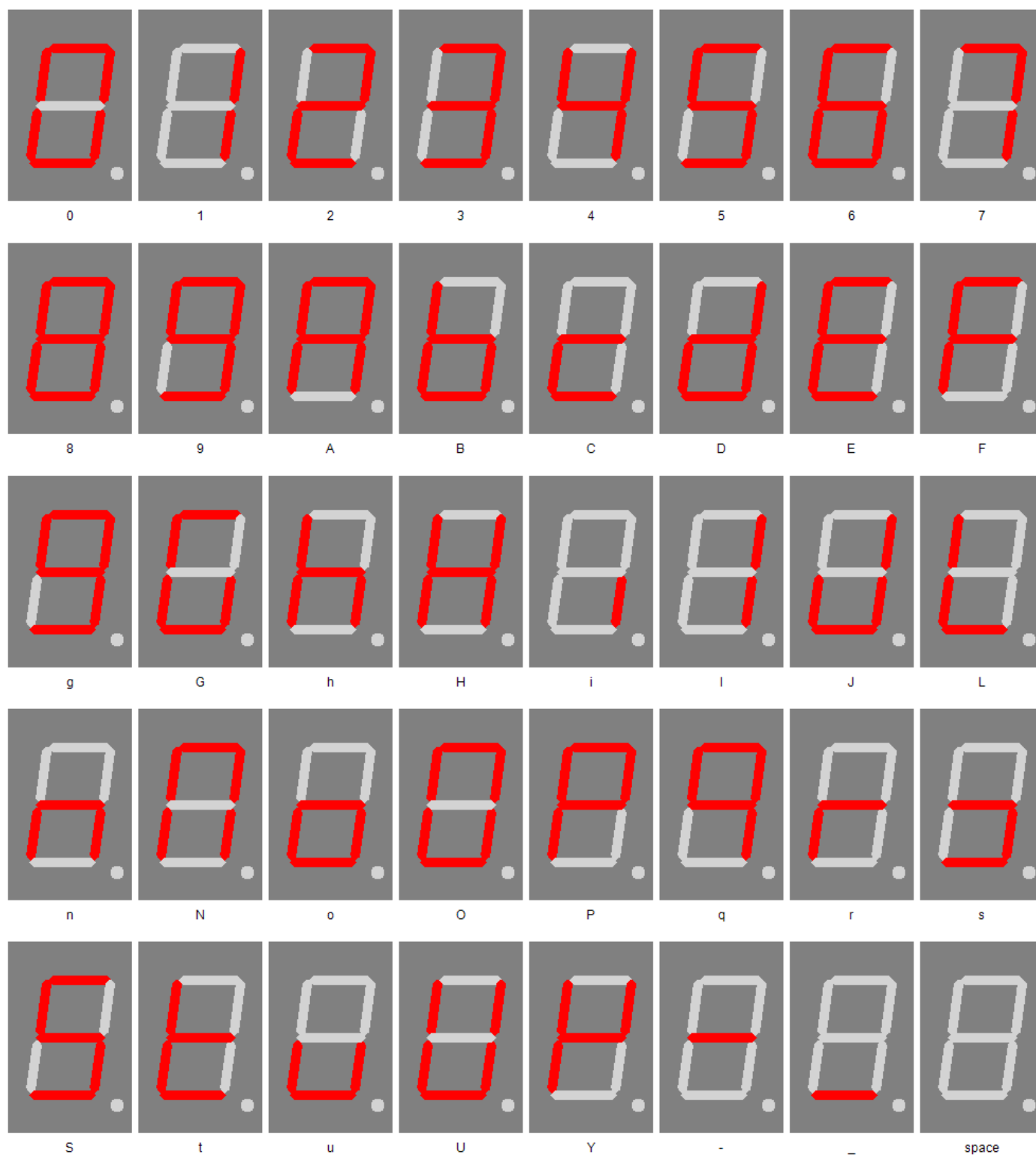
1. Download the latest upload tool from www.stefpro.biz: [SP Firmware UP](#)
2. Start the tool
3. Select the COM port.
4. Press the "Load" button and select a firmware which you have previously downloaded from SP Firmware UP
5. Now press the "Connect" button, the data from the IC / Module / device will be read and the compatibility of the new firmware with the IC / module / device will be checked
6. If an upload is possible, you can now press the "Upload Firmware" button. The upload starts and should not be interrupted.

NOTICE**Firmware upload interruption**

If the firmware upload is interrupted or uploaded an inappropriate firmware, so there is a broken firmware, the IC can be operated only in bootloader mode.

7 segment characters

The symbolism of each character:



Change log

Safety

20.03.2017 - 1.0.3 - ADD
Add ESD note

DCF module properties

21.11.2016 - 1.0.1 - ADD
Add list of tested modules
20.03.2017 - 1.0.3 - ADD
Update list of tested modules, add standard pin assingment

Power supply properties

21.12.2019 - 1.0.5 - ADD
Add SNT description

Buzzer to MP3 player

09.12.2016 - 1.0.2 - ADD
Add buzzer to mp3 player change description

Temperature sensor

22.03.2021 - 2.0.1 - ADD
Add add temperatur sensor and calibration description

Set day

23.04.2017 - 1.0.4 - ERROR
Bugfix wrong title, this sets the day not the month.

Liability, warranty and copyright notice

Definitions

- „Kit“: A bare printed circuit board and associated components, which when assembled form a module.
- "Module": A PCB which is delivered without housing and is intended for installation.
- "Manufacturer of the whole device": The manufacturer of the whole device, the natural or legal person is mounted a device which can be made to function without special knowledge. E.G. Simple connection to the network via a euro, safety plug or by connecting to a power supply.

Liability

- Although the information contained in this document has been checked very carefully for accuracy and completeness, for errors and omissions can not be held liable. StefPro reserves the right to any time change any portion of the described hardware and software features.
- StefPro provides only specific "module" which is intended for installation. The "Manufacturer of the whole device" obliges to compliance to the relevant valid VDE, CE and EMC regulations. StefPro has verifies compliance with the requirements for this module random. Because the installation is not performed by StefPro, must additional inspection after installation of the modules by the "Manufacturer of the whole device". If anything is unclear, please ask a question using the contact form.
- There is no liability for damages incurred directly by or in the application of the "module", as well as for damage caused by chemical or electrochemical effects of water or generally from abnormal environmental conditions.
- "Kit" and resulting "modules" by StefPro may not be used in critical equipment. At disregard exclusively the responsibility of "Manufacturer of the whole device."

These include:

- medical devices for implanting or life obtained.
 - Critical equipment for space, aerospace and traffic.
 - Other important life components or systems, where an error is fatal.
- All devices developed with a "Modules" by StefPro must be the responsibility of the "Manufacturer of the whole device" sufficiently tested to detect any defects.

Safety Notes

- Since the built module is operated with an electrical voltage, the valid VDE regulations are complied with.
- Components and modules do not belong in the hands of children!
- The module complies with the requirements of protection class III.
- The "module" may NOT directly to line voltage (or voltage > maximum operating voltage) in any case! It can be fatal!
 - Whenever it is that safe operation is no longer possible, the module / device must be taken out of service and secured against inadvertent operation. This assumption is justified,
 - when the module / device has visible damage,
 - when the module / device has loose parts
 - when the module / device no longer works
 - after prolonged storage under unfavorable conditions (eg outdoors or in moist environments)

Watch for correct voltage and connection of the "module" Voltage and / or connection mistakes are beyond our control. Thus we can not assume any liability for damages arising out of it.

Intended operation

- The used electrical parts and components are designed for a temperature between 0 °C ... +45 °C, so the device may only be operated and stored in this temperature range. During transport, the temperature may be between -10 °C ... + 50 °C.
- If condensation has formed during transport or storage, the modules must be acclimatized for approx. 2 hours before commissioning.
- It must not be operated in an increased dust, high humidity, explosion risk or aggressive chemical exposure.
- Ensure proper operation and connection. Operating and/or connection errors are outside our area. Unfortunately, we can not accept any liability for damages resulting of this.
- The improper operation of this module may result in damage of this module, personal injury or property damage.
- The safety instructions must be observed!
- The manufacturer is not responsible for all personal injury and property damage caused by improper operation.

Warranty

- StefPro warranty only for the Kit and their firmware. The warranty is exclusively limited for the replacement of the IC within the warranty period

for obvious defects in the hardware, and programming error.

- Warranty does not extend the warranty period or starts a new period again.
- Additional or deviating claims are excluded, especially claims for damages arising out of the product for damage. This will not affect claims based on inalienable rules under the product liability law.

Copyrightnotice

The circuitry and firmware to the kit and module from StefPro are protected by copyright. Unauthorized reproduction or distribution of Modules with this program or any portion of it. This is pursued both criminal and civil law, and may result in severe penalties and compensation for damages.

Disposal information

Do not dispose devices in household garbage!

This modules or devices comply with the EU directive on electronic and electrical equipment (WEEE regulation) and therefore may not be disposed of with household waste. Dispose of the device over your local collection center for electronic equipment!



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