

PowerInverter

Building instructions

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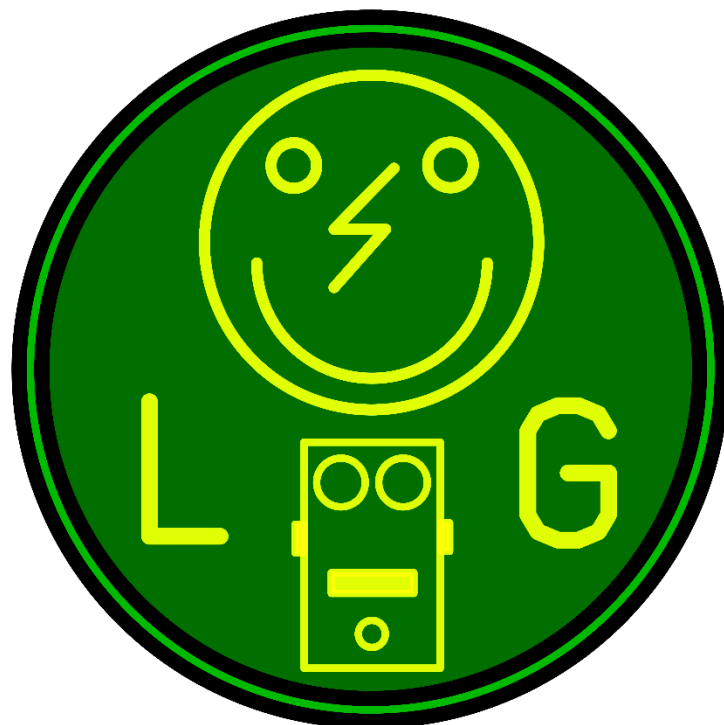


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Read this entire manual thoroughly before you start building!

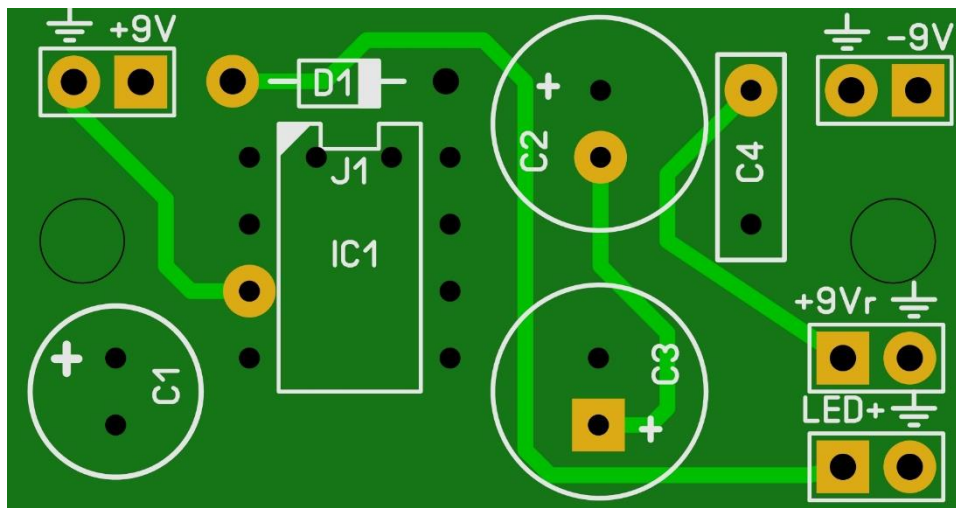
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Components

Name	Value	Comment
C1	10u	Electrolytic
C2	100u	Electrolytic
C3	47u	Electrolytic
C4	100n	MKT/Wima
D1	1N5817	
IC1	ICL7660S/LT1504	

PCB layout



Dimensions: 36,5 mm x 19mm

1.44 inch x 0,75 inch

Besides the components mentioned in the table, you will need:

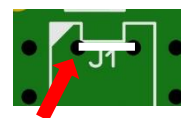
- **2,1mm DC jack** (isolated).
- **22 gage stranded hook-up wire** (red and black).

General building tips

It is advised to socket the voltage converter **IC1** using a DIP-8 socket so it can be easily replaced in case it breaks. It is not advised to power the board with a battery as this may result in weird behavior as the battery's Voltage drops as it gets empty (sag). The board can be used with either an ICL7660s or a LT1504. A LT1504 can deliver more current (100mA), but the 7660s is cheaper.

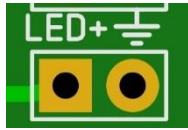
7660s: connect **J1** (eg using a spare piece of diode leg left after cutting it to size)

LT1504, do not connect **J1**!

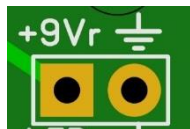




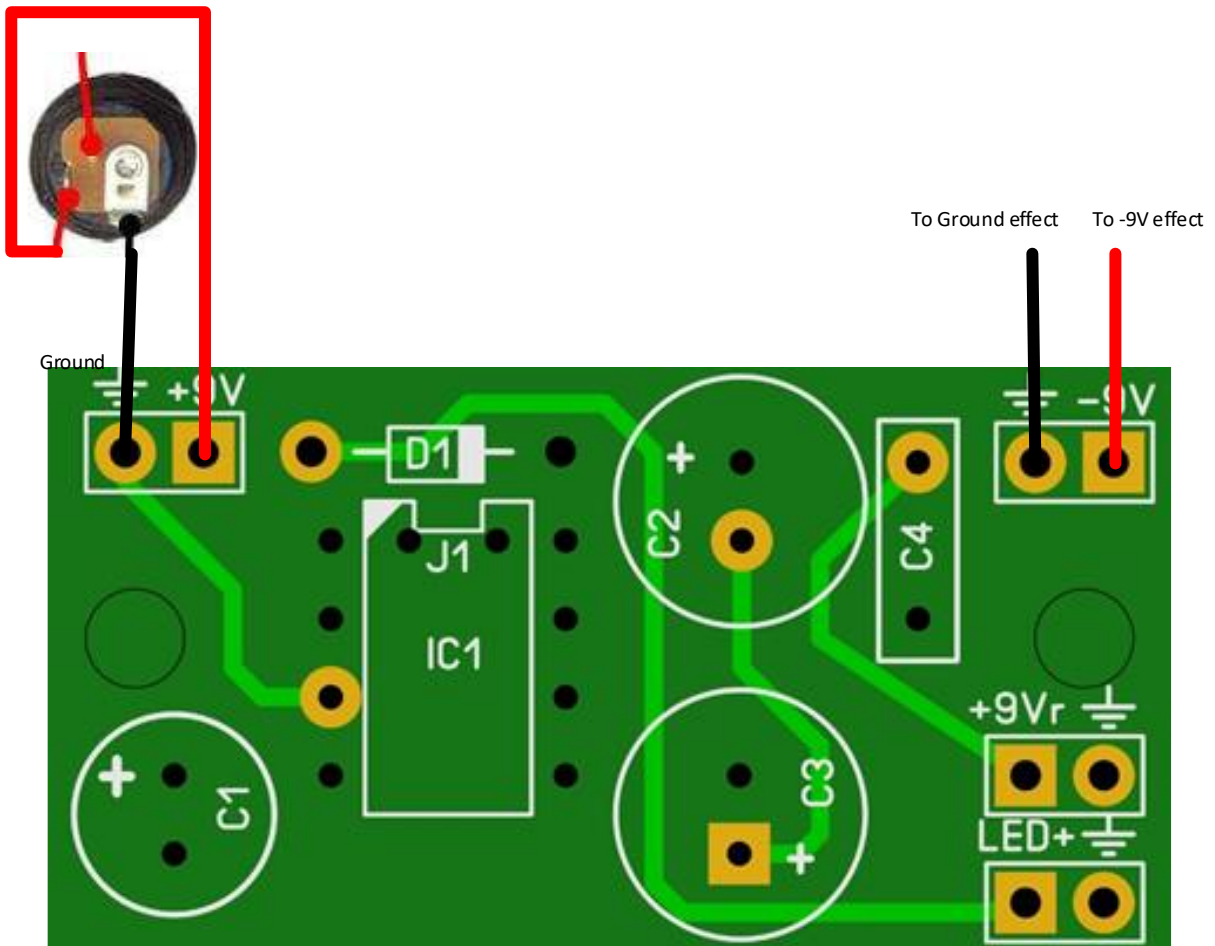
the PowerInverter enables you to feed your effects by -9V DC, while still being able to be used in a daisy chain with other +9V DC effects. If you have a LED in your build which can only take +9V then you can connect it to the **LED+** pad.



There is also a filtered +9V DC output marked +9Vr.



Off board wiring





Troubleshooting

All PCB's have been 100% factory e-tested and out of every batch I receive I build an effect to double check, so there should not be a connection problem on the PCB itself.

The board is not working (at all), what now?

- Check if your 9V is plugged in correctly (and/or soldered correctly on the board).
- Check that you oriented the capacitors, IC's ,transistors and diodes the right way. SMF, MKT capacitors and resistors do not need to be oriented.
- Check if you used the correct values of the components.
- Double and triple check your soldering! A loose or cold solder can be really bad for your board.
- Replace the IC, it might be defective. Before doing that first unplug the 9V and wait 5 seconds.
- Check that you have good/high grade components. A lot of Chinese sourced parts are fakes (especially high end op-amps, vintage diodes and transistors) so be careful that you source your parts from reliable suppliers.

Schematic

