# Final Assembly

## Do these steps after the board has been soldered and tested

- Assemble and test the microcontroller circuit board
- Attach the ball to the Bottom of the platform
- Bolt the two servos together and mount them
- Mount the battery box (first only the cover)
- Mount the controller board and attach the servo leads
- Put on tires and mount wheels
- Inspect Bot and move on to alignment check and programming

#### ☐ Attach the Ball to the Bottom of the Platform

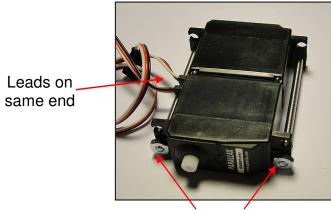
1. Place the platform with the 4 motor holes to the left and the bigger hole on the edge closest to you. You are now looking at the bottom surface.



- 2. Put the shorter screws from the ball kit through from the inside of the base.
- 3. Mount the base to the bottom of the platform and snug down the screws.
- 4. Put the three white plastic rollers in the slots. You may need tweezers.
- 5. Snap in the ball.

#### □ Bolt the Two Servos Together

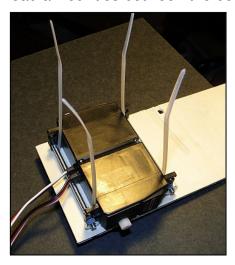
- Place the servos back-to back with their wires at the same end. 1.
- 2. Bolt the servos together using only two bolts as shown.
- 3. Put only a few threads on the nuts at first. The screw lengths are close fit.
- 4. Alternately snug up the nuts taking care not to over tighten.



bolts on same side of servos

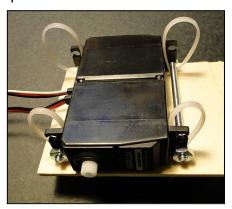
#### ■ Mount Servos to the Platform

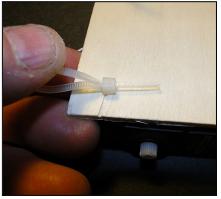
- 1. Insert cable ties from the back side through the four motor mount holes
- 2. Place servos on the platform with bolt side down and leads to the back edge.
- 3. Thread all four ties between the bolts and the servo bodies.





- 5. Orient the flat side of the tie heads away from the motors (2 towards front, 2 to back).
- 6. Loop the ties over the bolts and back through the holes. It's tight.





- 7. Keep the tie heads against the platform and pull the ties snug.
- 8. Start each tie through the flat side the head.
- 9. Pull the ties tight while keeping the heads tight against the platform.
  - This may require needle noses pliers and three hands ©
  - Make sure the heads end up tight against the platform and the loops are tight around the bolts. Ask for help if needed.

## ■ Mount the Battery Box

- 1. Unscrew the battery box cover.
- 2. Put double sided adhesive foam tape on the outside of the cover. Don't cover up the screw hole.
- 3. Peel off the backing and align the screw hole with the hole in the platform. Sticking something like a cable tie through both holes is helpful in lining them up.
- 4. Press down when you have good alignment
- 5. Slide the battery case on to the cover
- 6. Flip over the platform, drop in the screw. and snug it up.

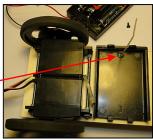
#### ■ Mount the Control Board

- 1. Apply double sided adhesive foam tape to the back of the board. Try to choose an area that is no too uneven.
- 2. Mount the board between the battery box and the nose wheel screws. Push firmly.

### ☐ Put Wheels on the Servos and Connect

- 1. Install the friction bands on the wheels. It's easier before they are mounted.
- 2. The side of the wheel hub that sticks out will mount to the servo spline.
- 3. Rotate the hub against the servo spline using only a little pressure until you feel them mating, then push the wheel on.
- 4. With both wheels on, press them down the splines until they bottom out.
- 5. Insert and snug hub screws (optional)
- 6. Check that there is clearance between the wheels and the platform
- 7. Push the servo connectors onto the headers, red wire closest to board edge.



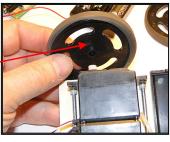


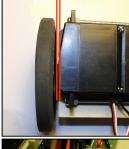
















# Congratulations, you've completed assembly!

Turn on the switch.

Your Bot should come to life in seconds and run the stored program. If not, check the tips below for the most common problems.

#### **Troubleshooting tips**

Motor does not turn – connector backwards or not mated correctly Both motors run backwards – connectors are swapped Bot turns when it should go straight – inside motor is not turning (above)

# **Alignment Check & Programming**

# Align your Bot so it will correctly follow your commands

### ☐ This initial program is stored in the Bot:

- Wait 5 seconds
- Forward 36"
- Left 90°
- Right 90°
- Backward 36"
- Right 45°
- Right 45°
- Left 90°

## ☐ Check to see if the Bot moves correctly

- Look for drifting to one side and for correct distances & angles
- Fix one thing at a time, starting with drift then distance and angle
- Note the error (like 3" to far out of 36"), then correct it
- A course conductor will help you make adjustments

