

Slic3r/PrusaSlicer and Chroma Setup

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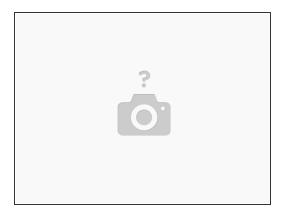


INTRODUCTION

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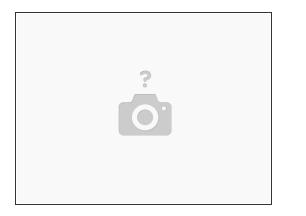
Note: This guide assumes that PrusaSlicer/Slic3r has already been successfully configured for your printer.

Step 1 — Configure Settings Part 1



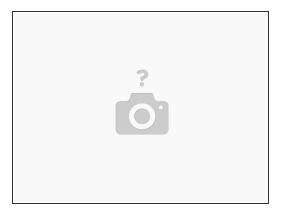
- Application Preferences: Ensure Mode is set to Expert
- Printer Settings > General
 - Set **Extruders** to 4 (settings from Extruder 1 will be copied to Extruders 2–4)
 - Change **Retraction when tool is disabled** settings for Extruders 1–4
 - Set Length to 0
 - Set Extra length on restart to 0
 - Dual-extruders: ensure that Extruder 2 settings match Extruder 1 settings (particularly Extruder offset being 0 and 0)

Step 2 — Configure Settings Part 2



- Printer Settings > Custom GCode
 - **Dual-extruders**: ensure your Start GCode and end GCode don't include any nozzle priming or temperature settings for extruders other than T0
- Print Settings > Skirt and Brim
 - Set Loops (minimum) to 0
 - Set Minimum extrusion length to 0
- Print Settings > Output Options
 - Ensure **Complete individual objects** is unchecked
- Save this print configuration for future re-use

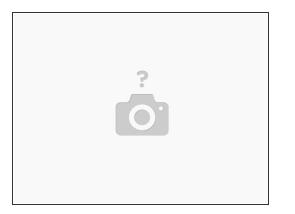
Step 3 — Slice Multi-Tool G-Code



Plater

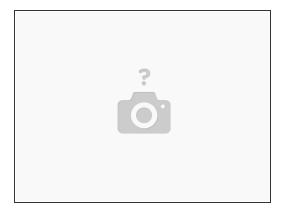
- Select the print and printer configurations that were just saved
- Select the same filament configuration in all four extruder drop-downs
- Load in ONE of the STLs you would like to print, rather than all of them
- Double-click on the STL preview on the bed
- Click Load part... and select the rest of the STLs
- For each STL, select the extruder to be used for that STL
- Click **OK** when all STLs have been mapped to an extruder. That's it! Click **Export Gcode...** and you're ready to load the file into Chroma.

Step 4 — Slic3r Prusa Edition



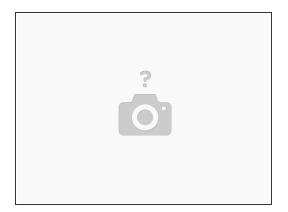
- For Slic3r Prusa Edition, there is a **G4** ;wait configured in the END GCODE as a default. Chroma will provide an error as it is expecting a value after the G4 command (Chroma does helpfully tell you a recommend value). To avoid this, you'll need to either delete this line from your end sequence or modify it to take a numeric value.
- Please ensure Print setting/Multiple Extruders/Wipe tower is not checked off as Chroma will produce a wipe tower for you that is compatible.
- We would also suggest reviewing the default start sequence as there is a flow rate modifier that may cause issues with pings:
 - M221 S{if layer_height==0.05}100{else}95{endif}
 - This command will get processed at slice-time and will result in the command 'M221 S95'. Chroma will not take this command into account and can cause issues with low pings.
- To fix this issue, please remove this line from the starting GCode and lower the extrusion multiplier to compensate.

Step 5 — Troubleshooting - "Transition Tower is Too Large to Fit on the Bed"



- If you've sliced your project and the transition tower is unreasonably large, please check that the following settings are adjusted:
 - Please ensure that all the **min/max layer heights** are the same across all 4 extruders.
 - Check that your **Contact Z distance** is the same as your layer height.
 - Check that you've disabled Slic3r's wipe tower.
 - Lastly, please turn off Variable Layer Heights.

Step 6 — P2PP



 For users who would like to use Slic3r's features without having to process the file through Chroma, there's a user-made plugin called P2PP that creates the necessary files directly in Slic3r.
For more information, please see <u>here</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact us at support@mosaicmfg.com.