

# BYOC Octave Fuzz Kit Instructions



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1. A detailed explanation of what the problem is. (Not just, "It doesn't work, help")
2. Pic of the top-side of your PCB.
3. Pic of the underside of your PCB.
4. Pic that clearly shows your footswitch/jack wiring and the wires going to the PCB
5. A pic that clearly shows your wiring going from the PCB to the pots and any other switches(only if your kit has non-PC mounted pots and switches)
6. Is bypass working?
7. Does the LED come on?
8. If you answer yes to 6 and 7, what does the pedal do when it is "on"?
9. Battery or adapter. (If battery, is it good? If adapter, what type?)

Also, please only post pics that are in focus. You're only wasting both parties' time if you post out of focus, low-res pics from your cell phone.

### **Revision Notes:**

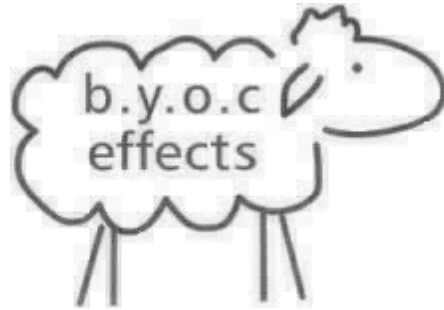
Rev 2.1 (current) changed transistors to 2N3906 and 2N3904. Rev 2.0 (previous) No known errors. Go to: <http://byoceletronics.com/octavefuzzinstructions-old.pdf> to download instructions for the previous version of the Octave Fuzz kit.

Rev 1.0 (older version) There are no known errors in this revision.

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## Parts Checklist for BYOC Octave Fuzz

### Resistors:

- 1 - 220ohm (red/red/black/black/brown)
- 1 - 470ohm (yellow/purple/black/black/brown)
- 1 - 1k (brown/black/black/brown/brown)
- 1 - 1.2k (brown/red/black/brown/brown)
- 1 - 4.7k (yellow/purple/black/brown/brown)
- 1 - 22k (red/red/black/red/brown)
- 1 - 47k (yellow/purple/black/red/brown)
- 1 - 180k (brown/gray/black/orange/brown)
- 1 - 220k (red/red/black/orange/brown)
- 1 - 680k (blue/gray/black/orange/brown)
- 1 - 820k (gray/red/black/orange/brown)
- 1 - 1M(brown/black/black/yellow/brown)

### Capacitors:

- 1 - 150pf ceramic disc
- 1 - .001 $\mu$ f/1n film (1n0j)
- 1 - 0.1 $\mu$ f/100n film (100nj)
- 2 - 33 $\mu$ f aluminum electrolytic
- 3 - 100 $\mu$ f aluminum electrolytic

### Diodes:

- 1 - 1N4001
- 2 - 1N34A or similar germanium diodes

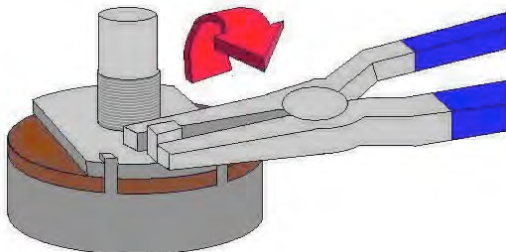
### Transistors:

- 2 - 2N3904
- 1 - 2N3906

### Transformer:

- 1 - TM022 1.725:1 audio transformer

**Potentiometers: Be sure to snap off the small tab on the side of each panel mounted pot.**



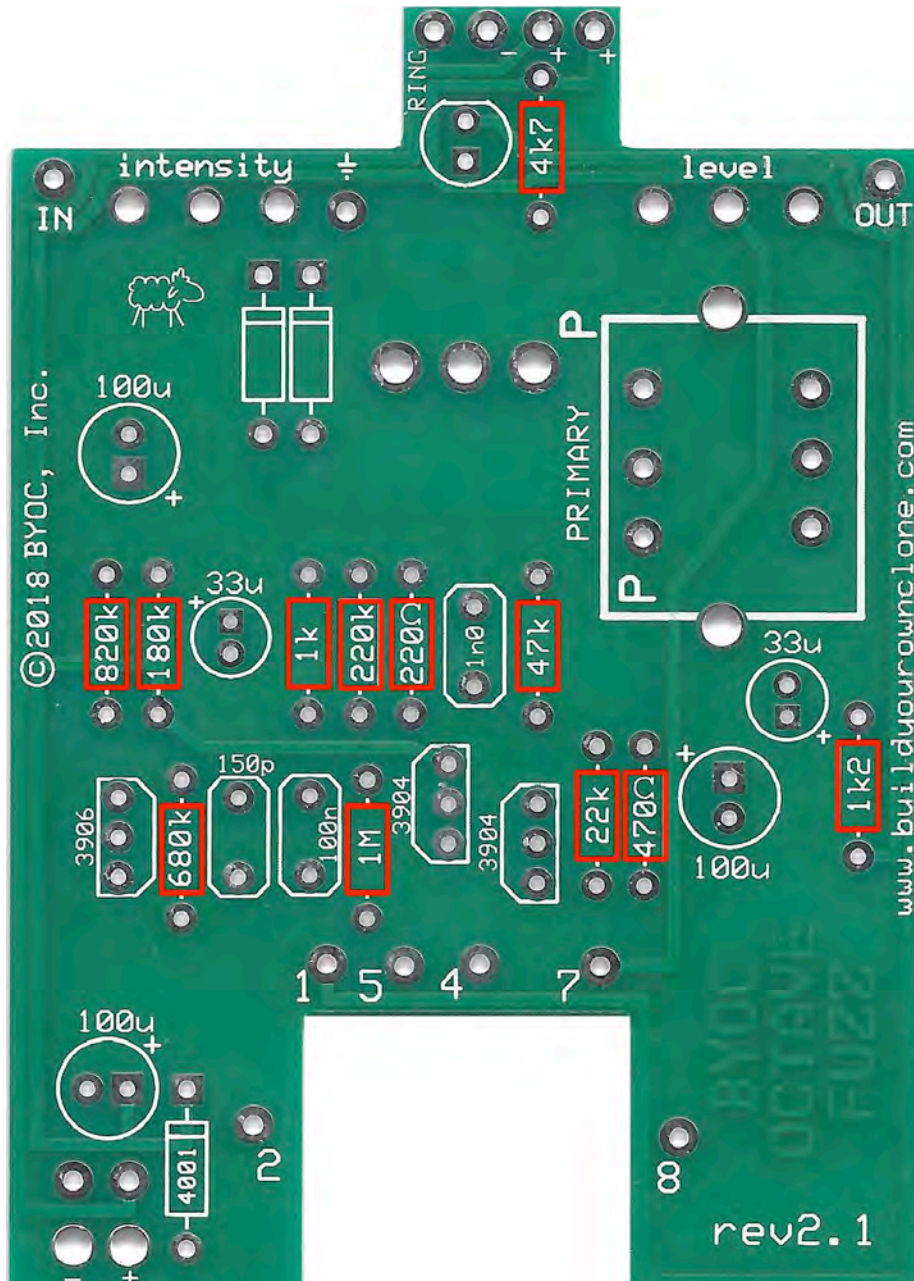
- 1 - B1k (INTENSITY)
- 1 - A100k (VOLUME)

**Hardware:**

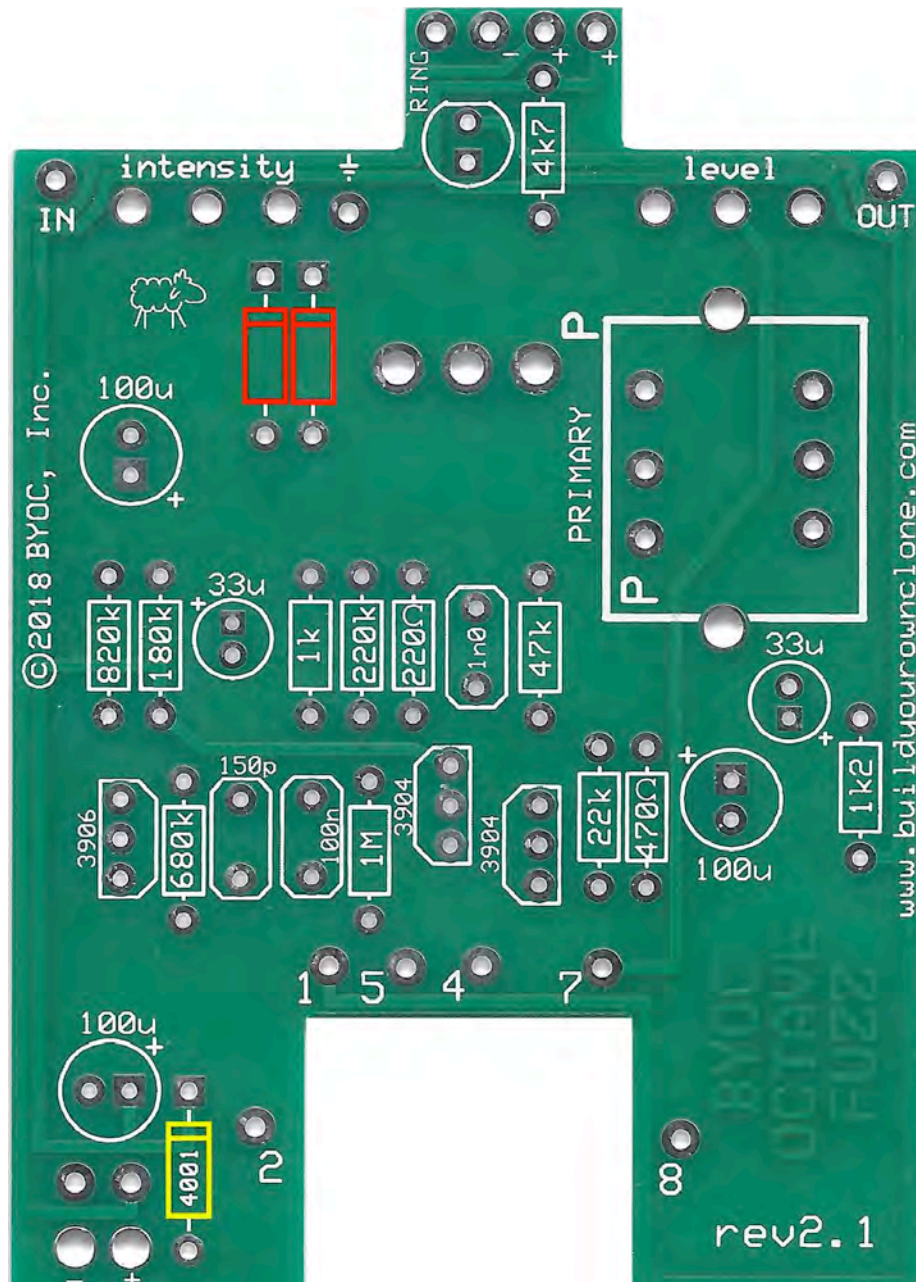
- 1 - drilled enclosure w/ 4 screws
- 1 - BYOC Octave Fuzz circuit board
- 1 - SPDT PC mounted toggle switch
- 1 - 3PDT footswitch
- 2 - knobs
- 1 - AC adaptor jack
- 1 - ¼" mono jack
- 1 - ¼" stereo jack
- 1 - red LED
- 1 - battery snap
- hook-up wire

# Populating the Circuit Board

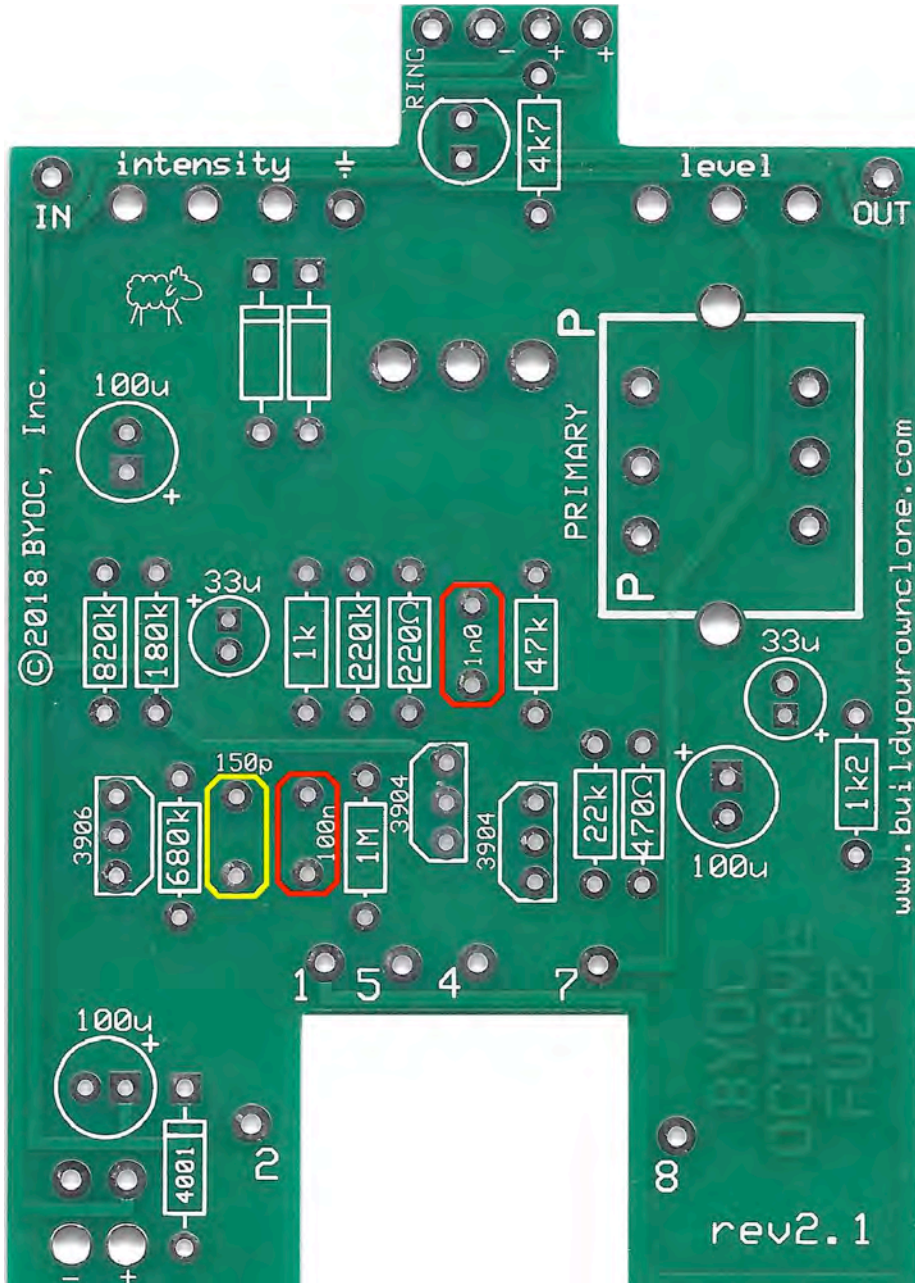
**STEP 1:** Add the resistors. Resistors are not polarized, so it does not matter which end goes in which solder pad.



**STEP 2:** Add the diodes. The 1N4001 will be black with a silver stripe and is highlighted in yellow. The Germanium diodes will go in the spots highlighted in red. Be sure to match the end of the diode with the stripe to the layout on the PCB. The stripped end should go in the square solder pad. **If your Germanium diodes have a white and gray stripe on either end, place the end with the gray stripe in the square hole. If your diodes have a single white dot, place the dot side into the round holes.**

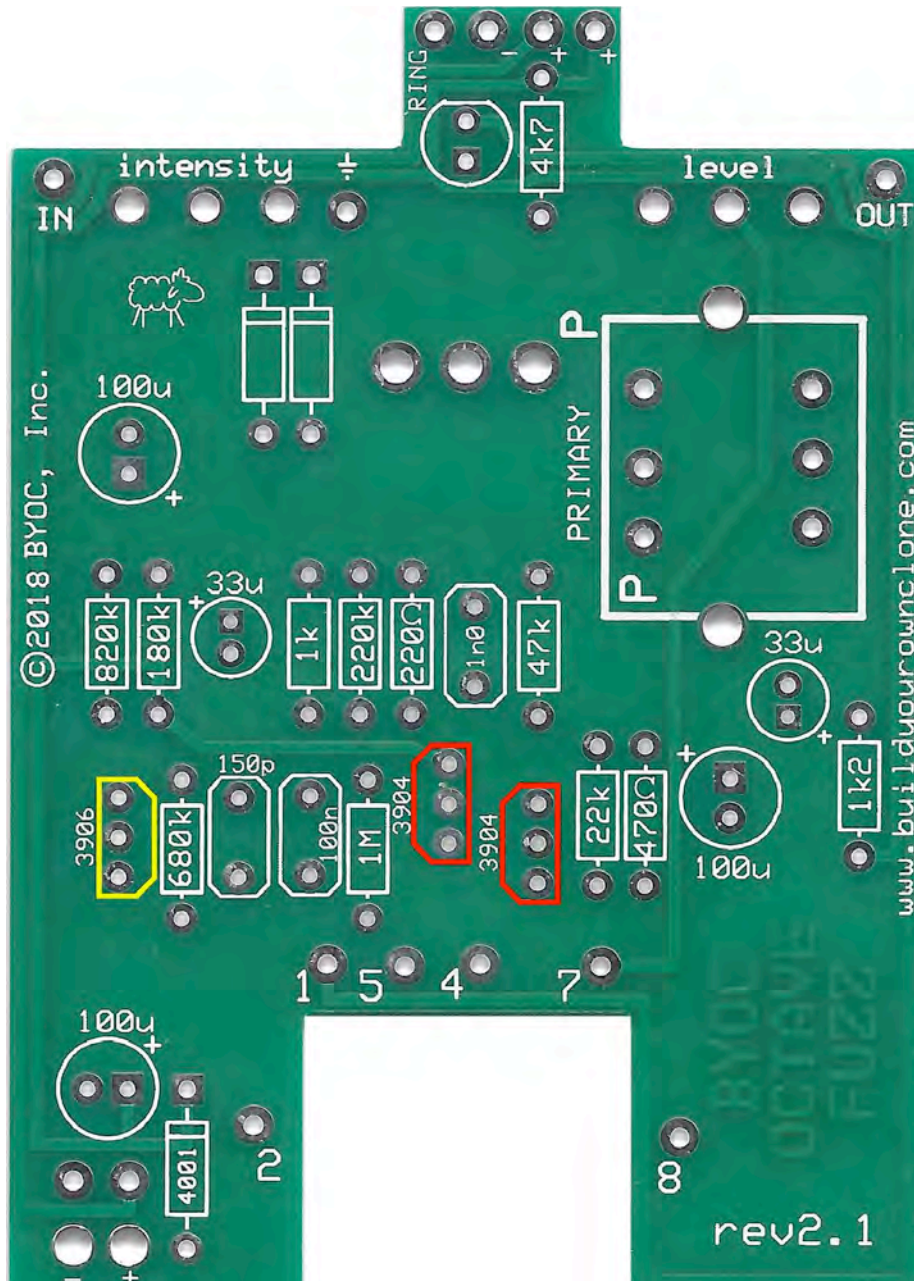


**STEP 3:** Add the film and ceramic disc capacitors. These are not polarized so they can be inserted into the PCB in either direction. The ceramic disc capacitor is highlighted in yellow.

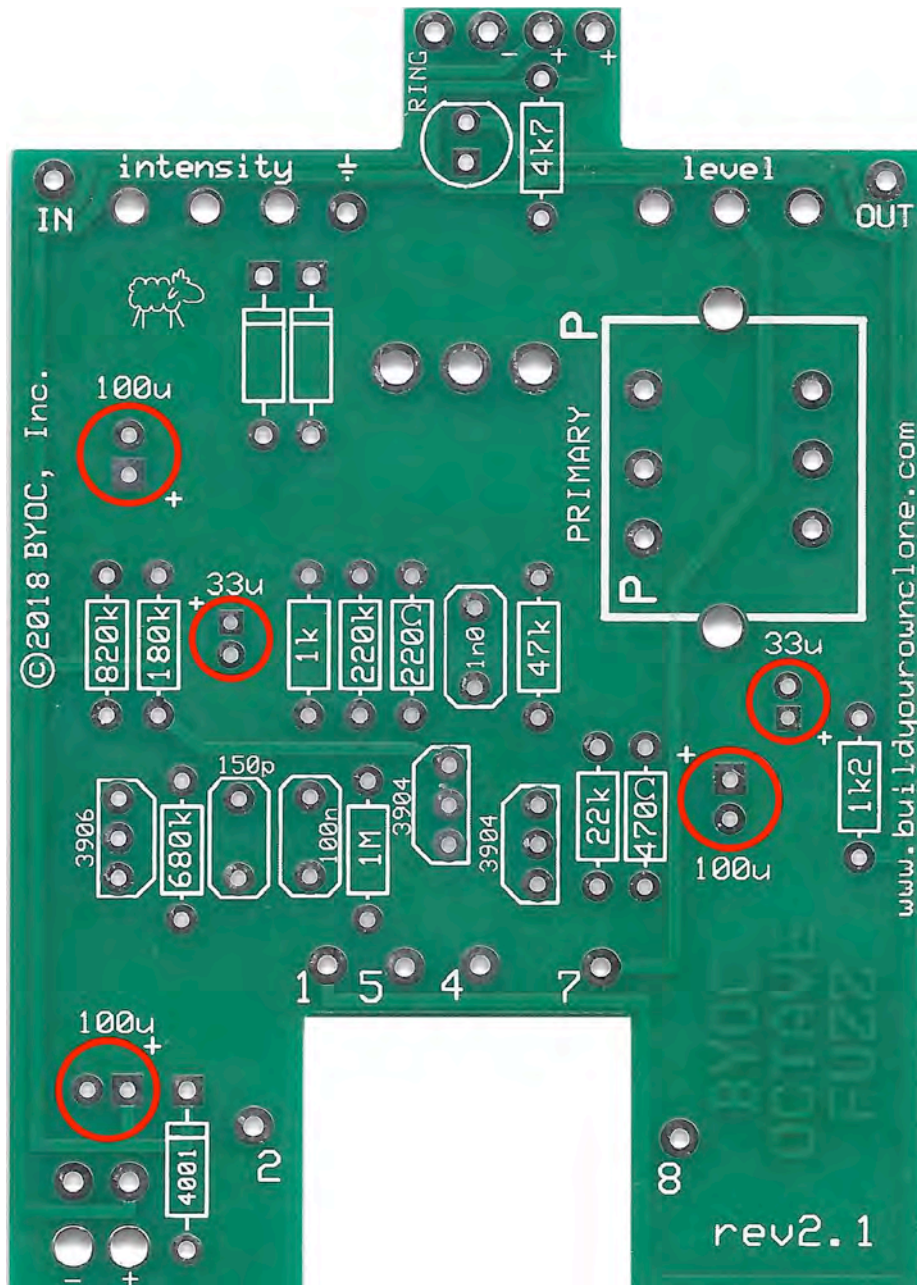




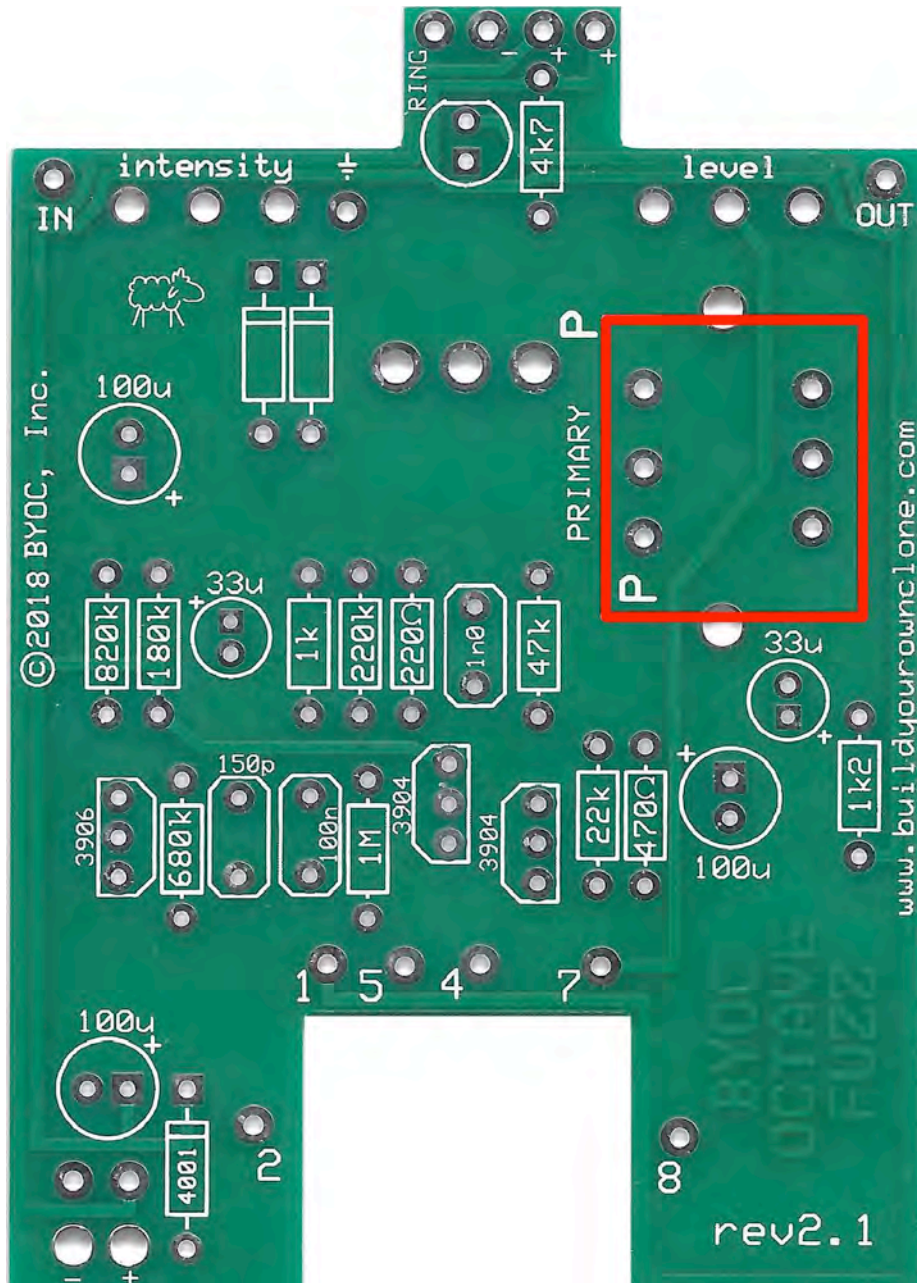
**STEP 4:** Add the transistors. Match the flat side of the transistor to the flat side of the layout on the PCB. The 2N3904 transistors are highlighted in red. The 2N3906 transistor is highlighted in yellow.



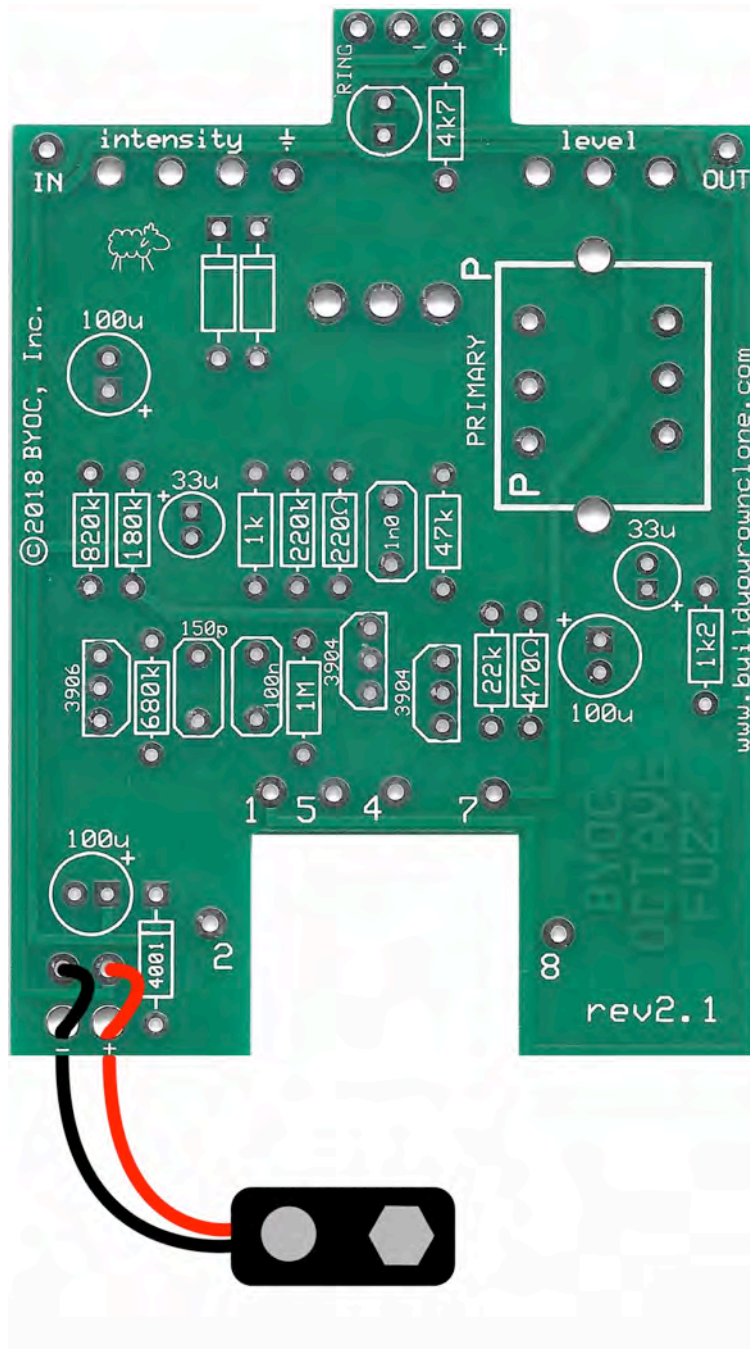
**STEP 5:** Add the aluminum electrolytic capacitors. These are polarized. The positive end will have a longer lead and should go in the square solder pad. The negative end will have a shorter lead with a black strip running down the body of the capacitor.



**STEP 6:** Add the transformer. A transformer has a primary and secondary side. The primary side will be labeled with a “P”. Insert the transformer into the PCB so that the primary side matches the PCB.

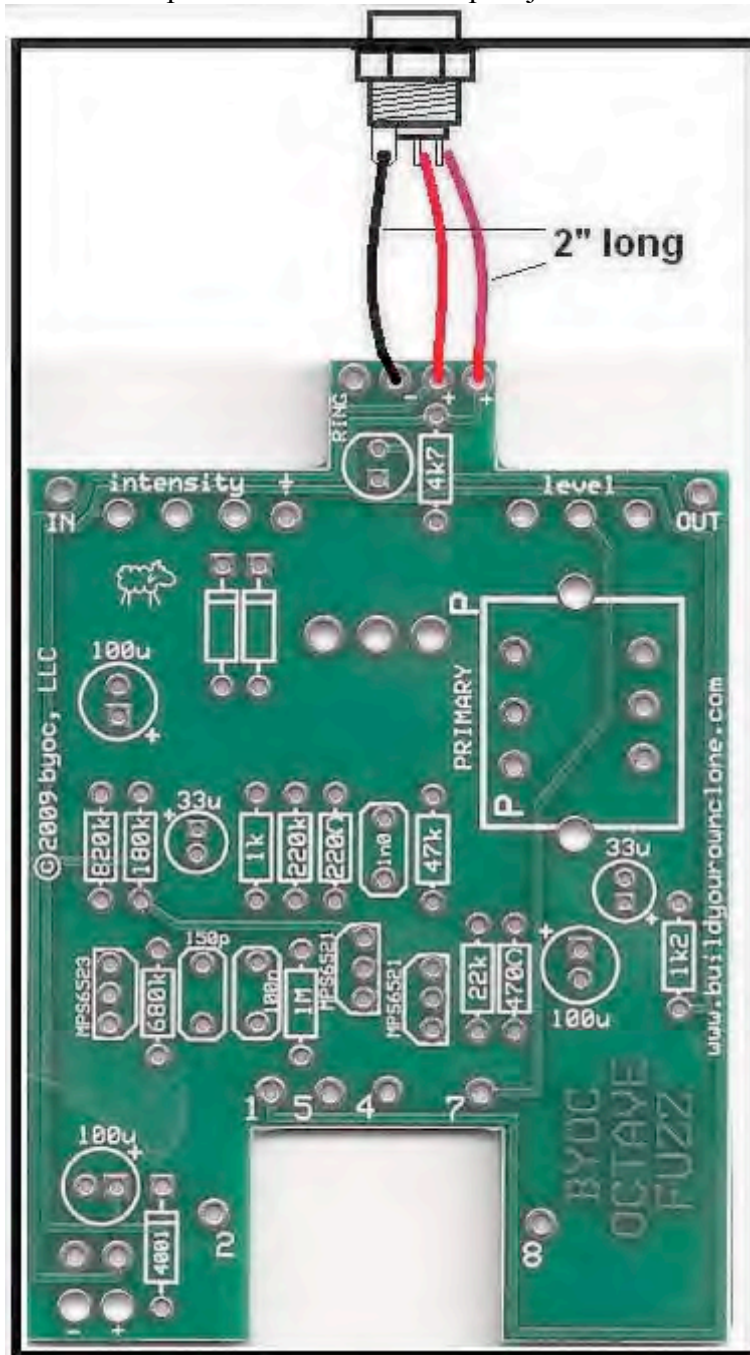


**Step 7:** Add the battery snap. Thread the solder ends of the snap through the under side of the strain relief holes. Insert the stripped ends of the battery snap wires into the topside of their respective solder pads. Remember, the red wire goes in the “+” hole and the black wire goes in the “-” hole.



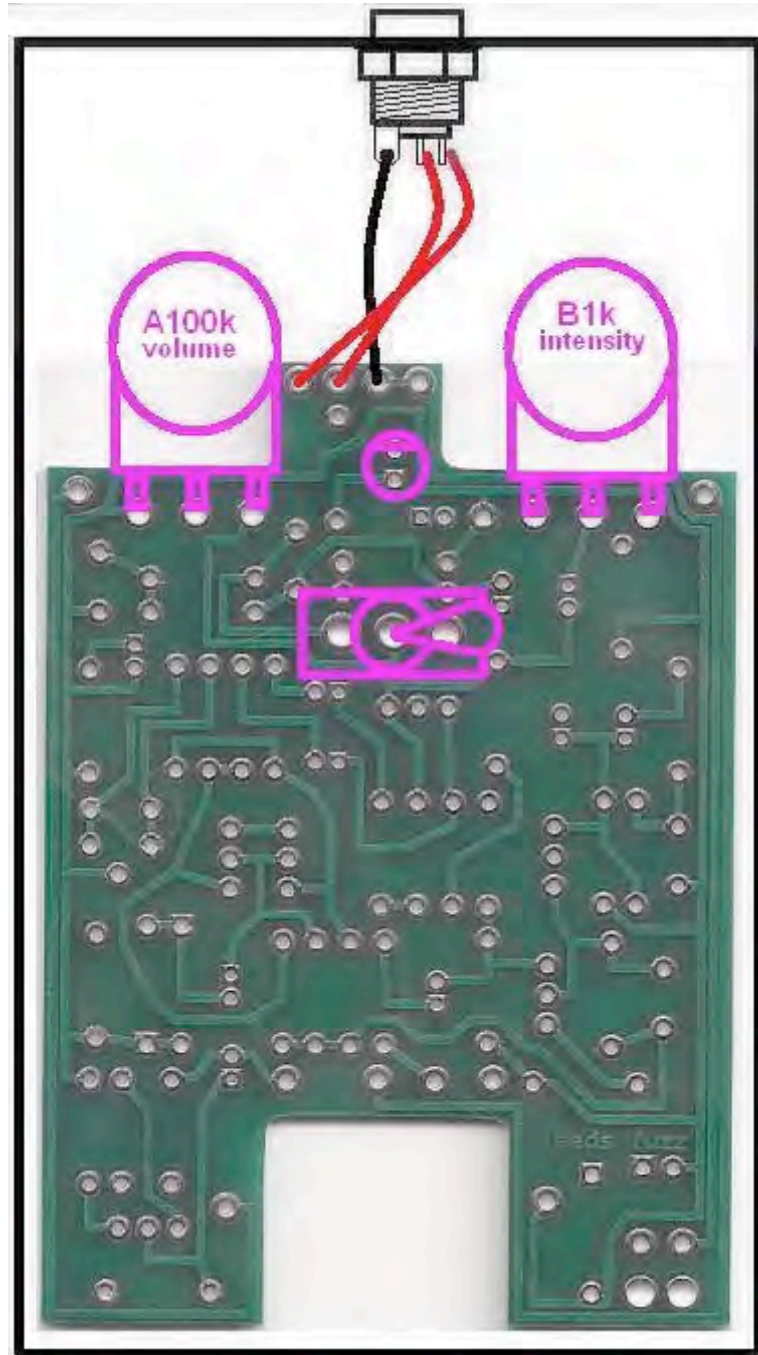
# Assembly

Step 1: Mount the DC adaptor jack to the enclosure.

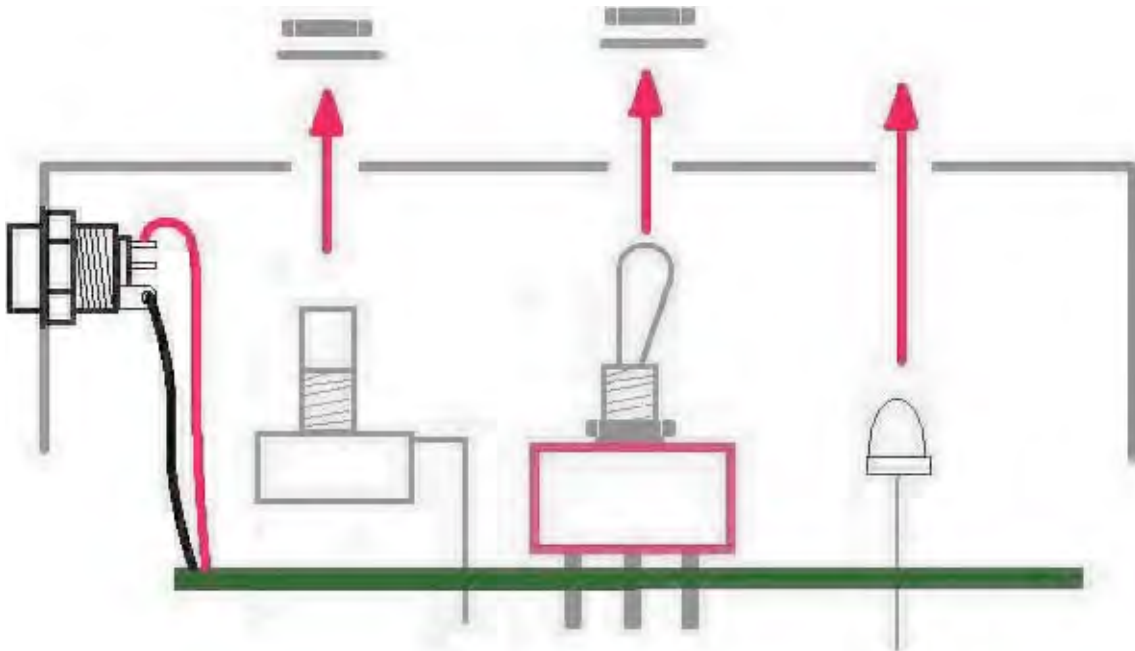


Step 2: Connect the TIP (negative) terminal of the DC adaptor jack to the “-” eyelet on the PCB with 2 inches of hook up wire. Connect the SLEEVE of the DC adaptor jack to the “+” eyelet on the far right side of the PCB with 2 inches of hook up wire. Connect the battery disconnect terminal of the DC adaptor jack to the “+” eyelet more towards the

center of the PCB with 2" of hookup wire.



Step 3: Flip the PCB over so that the bottom or solder side is up. Insert the two potentiometers, the LED, and the toggle switch into the bottom side of the PCB. **DO NOT SOLDER!!!** There are only two ways in which the toggle switch can fit into the PCB. Either way is fine. The longer lead of the LED goes in the square solder pad hole and the shorter lead goes in the round solder pad hole.

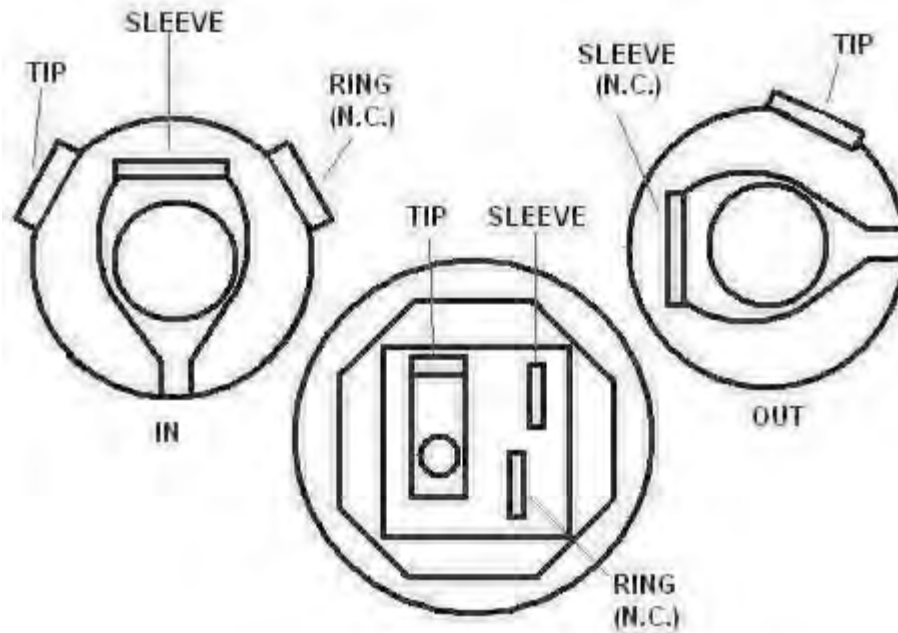


Step 4: Hold the PCB in one hand so that the component side of the PCB is in the palm of your hand and the bottom side with the pots, toggle switch and LED is facing up. Now use your other hand to guide the predrilled enclosure onto the PCB assembly so that the pots, toggle switch and LED all go into their respective holes. Once the PCB assembly is in place, secure it by screwing on the washers and nuts for the pots and toggle switch. Only tighten them with your fingers. You do not want them very tight yet. Be sure to keep your hand on the PCB so that it does not fall off the PCB mounting posts of the pots and toggle switch.

Step 5: Turn the entire pedal over so that the component side of the PCB is facing up. Lift the PCB up off the pots and toggle switch about 2mm just to make sure that the back of the PCB does not short out against those pots. Make sure the PCB is level and symmetrically seated inside the enclosure.

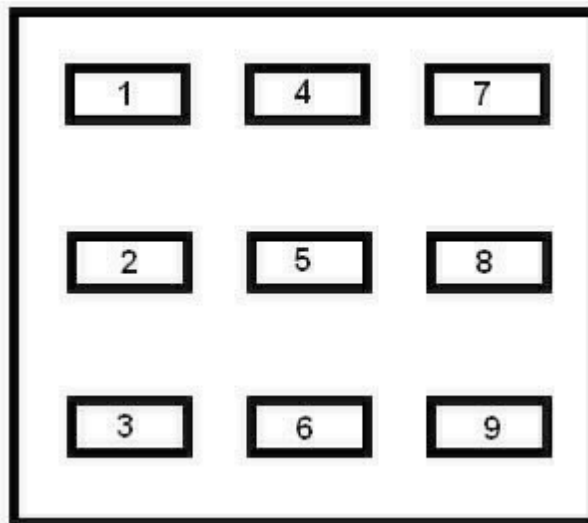
Step 6: Solder the pots, PCB, and LED. You will solder these parts on the component side of the PCB. After you have soldered them in place, be sure to tighten up their nuts.

# Wiring the footswitch, and jacks

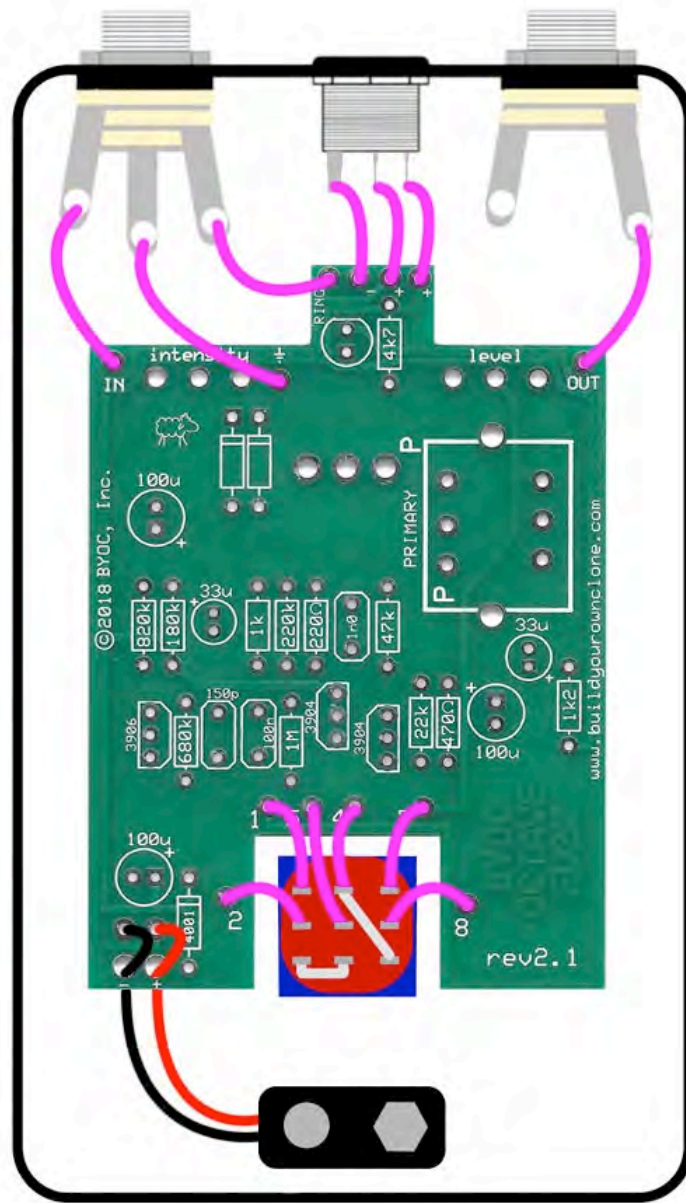


Step 1: Install the 1/4" jacks to the enclosure. Be sure to turn the OUT jack a 1/4 turn counter clockwise so that solder terminal for the tip does not short out against the enclosure.

## Footswitch Solder Lug Designations







Step 2:

- Cut 4 x 3/4" pieces of wire. Strip 1/8" off each end. These will be used to connect lugs/eyelets 1, 2, 7, & 8
- Cut 1 x 1" piece of wire. Strip 1/8" off each end. This will be used to connect lug/eyelet 5
- Cut 1 x 1.5" piece of wire. Strip 1/8" of one end. Strip 1/2" off the other end. This will be used to connect lug/eyelet 4. The longer stripped end will be used to jumper lug 4 to 9.
- Cut 3 x 2" pieces of wire. Strip 1/4" off each end. These will be used to connect the tip and sleeve of the IN jack and the tip of the OUT jack to the PCB.

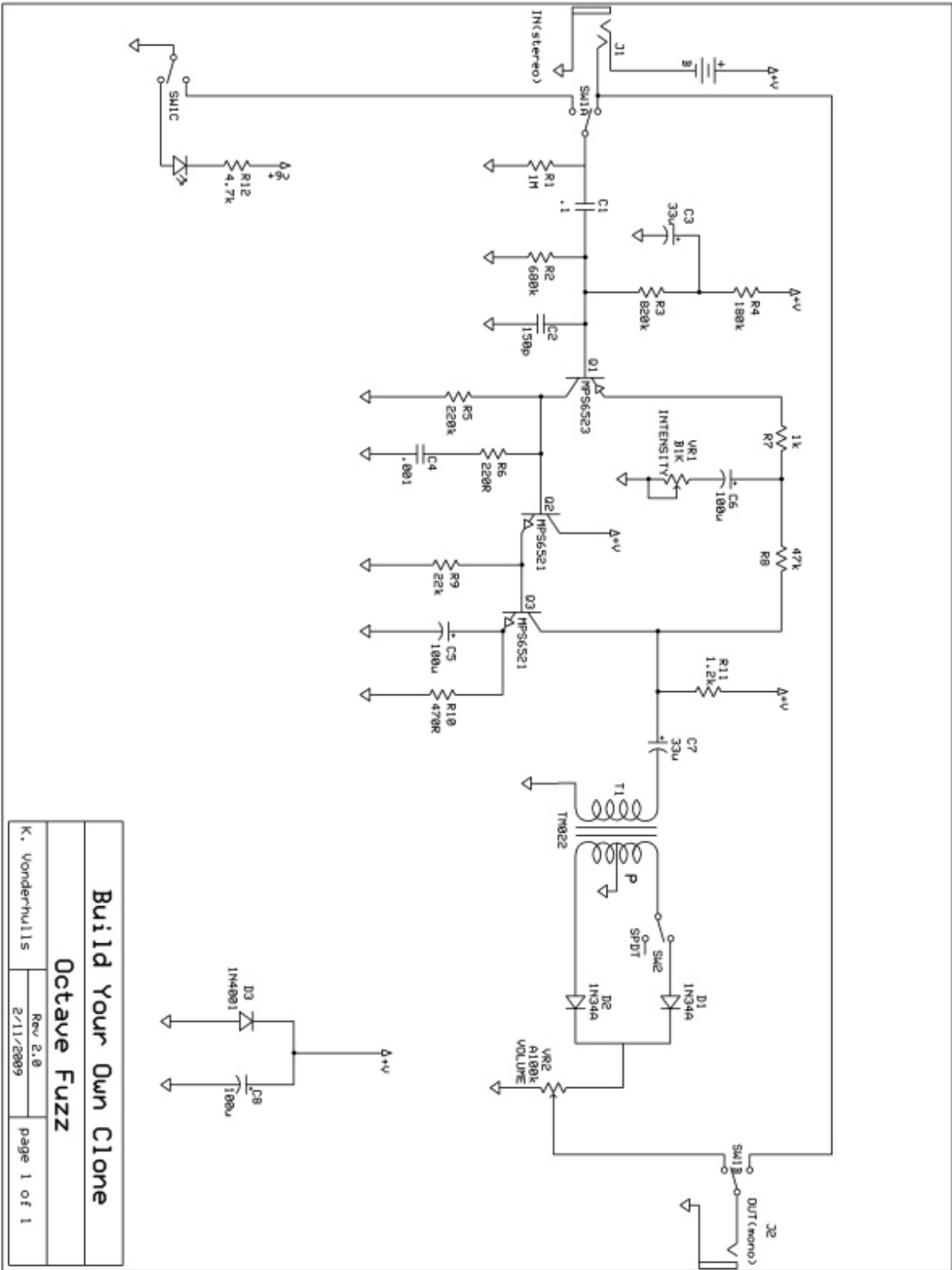
- Cut 1 x 1.5” piece of wire. Strip 1/4” off each end. This will be used to connect the ring of the IN jack to the ring eyelet on the PCB.

Step 3: Solder the wires for the footswitch.

Step 4: Remove the PCB assembly from the enclosure. Solder the open ends of the wires that you just soldered to the footswitch to their respective eyelets on the PCB. Load the wires in from the top and solder on the bottom side.

Step 5: Reinstall the PCB assembly to the enclosure. Install the footswitch to the enclosure. It will have a white nylon washer and a silver metal washer. You can decide which washer you want to be visible on the outside of the enclosure.

Step 6. Solder the jacks to the PCB.



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