

Build Your Own Clone Parametric EQ 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?)

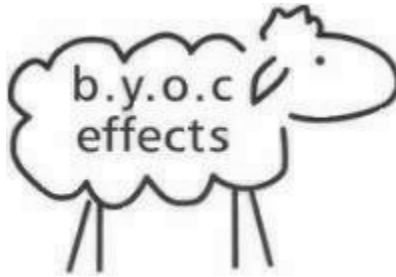
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Rev 1.0 - no known errors

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Parts Checklist for BYOC Parametric EQ Kit

Resistors: These are 1/8th watt resistors. They are very small. You may need a magnifying glass. If you still have trouble reading the color bands, we suggest using a multi-meter to identify the value of each resistor

- 4 - 331/330ohm (orange/orange/black/black/brown)
- 15 - 162/1.6k (brown/blue/black/brown/brown) or 1.62k (brown/blue/red/brown/brown)
- 24 - 512/5.1k (green/brown/black/brown/brown) or 5.11k (green/brown/brown/brown/brown)
- 4 - 104/100k (brown/black/black/orange/brown)
- 2 - 474/470k (yellow/purple/black/orange/brown)

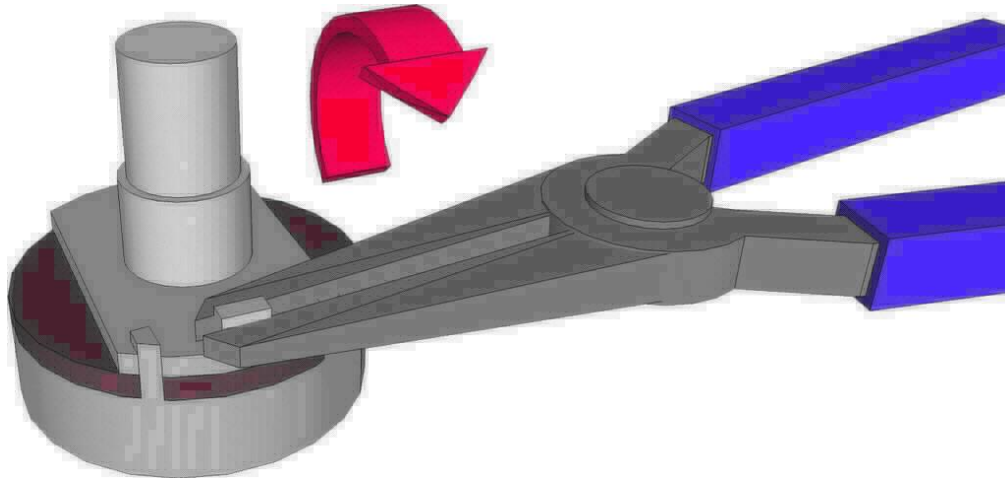
Capacitors:

- 2 - 2n7 or .0027 μ film (272)
- 2 - 12n or .012 μ film (123)
- 6 - 100n or .1 μ film (104or μ 1)
- 9 - 10 μ f aluminum electrolytic
- 2 - 220 μ f aluminum electrolytic

IC's:

- 1 - MAX1044 8 pin charge pump
- 1 - 4558, TL072 or other 8 pin dual op amp
- 3 - TL074 or other 14 pin quad op amp
- 2 - 8 pin socket
- 3 - 14 pin socket

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



- 3 - B10k linear Dual Gang (Frequency knobs)
- 6 - B10k linear (Q and Boost/Cut knobs)
- 1 - A100k audio (Level knob)

Hardware:

- 1 - drilled enclosure w/ 4 screws
- 1 - byoc parametric eq pcb
- 1 - 3PDT footswitch
- 10 - knobs
- 1 - AC adaptor jack
- 1 - 1/4" mono jack
- 1 - 1/4" stereo jack
- 2 - internal locking washers (to be used with 1/4" jacks)
- 1 - red LED
- 1 - battery snap
- 4 - bumpers
- hook-up wire

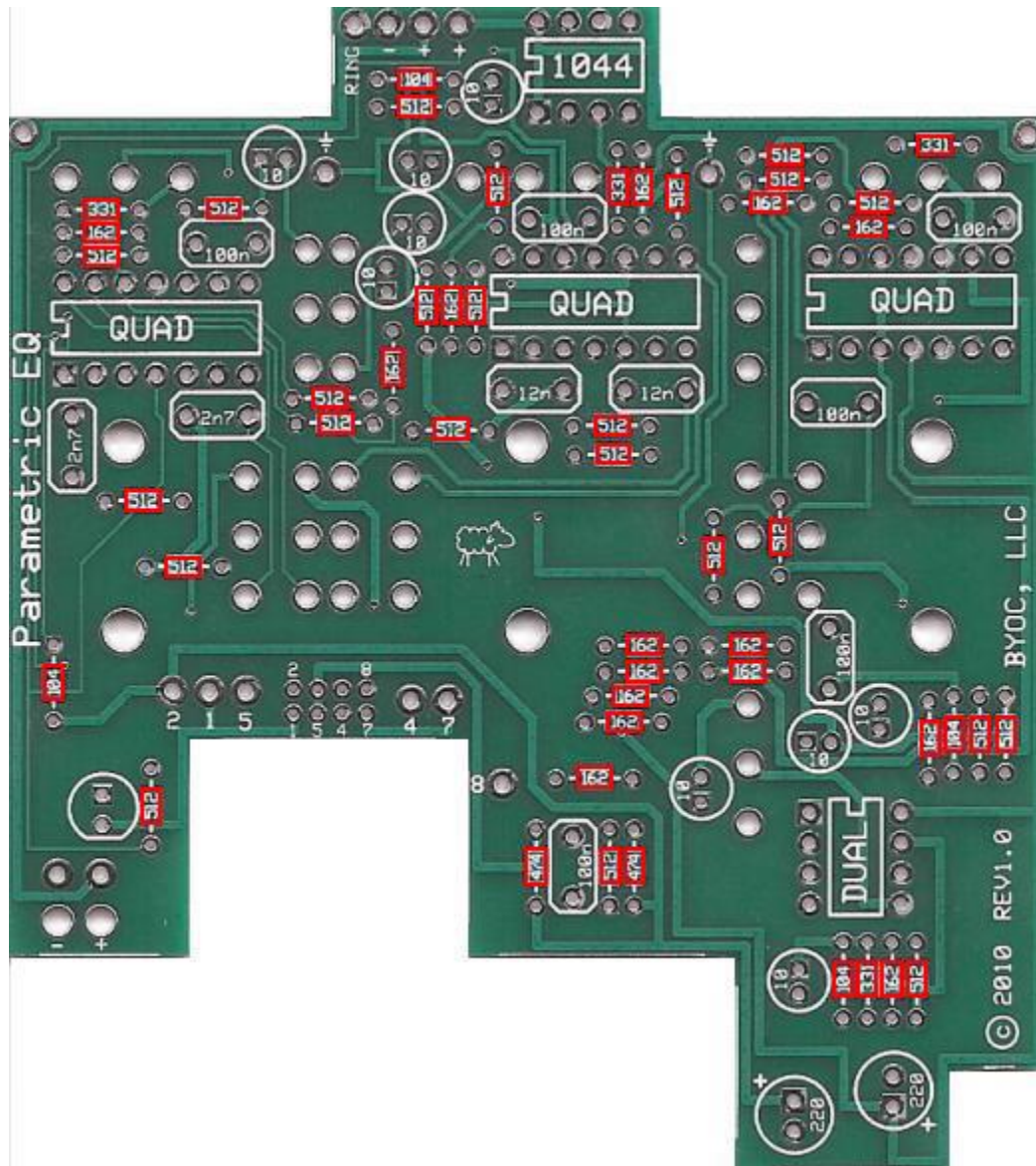
Pictures of Completed Parametric EQ Build

For close up high res 2.8MB image of populated PCB click [here](http://www.buildyourownclone.com/paraEQgutslarge.jpg) or go to www.buildyourownclone.com/paraEQgutslarge.jpg

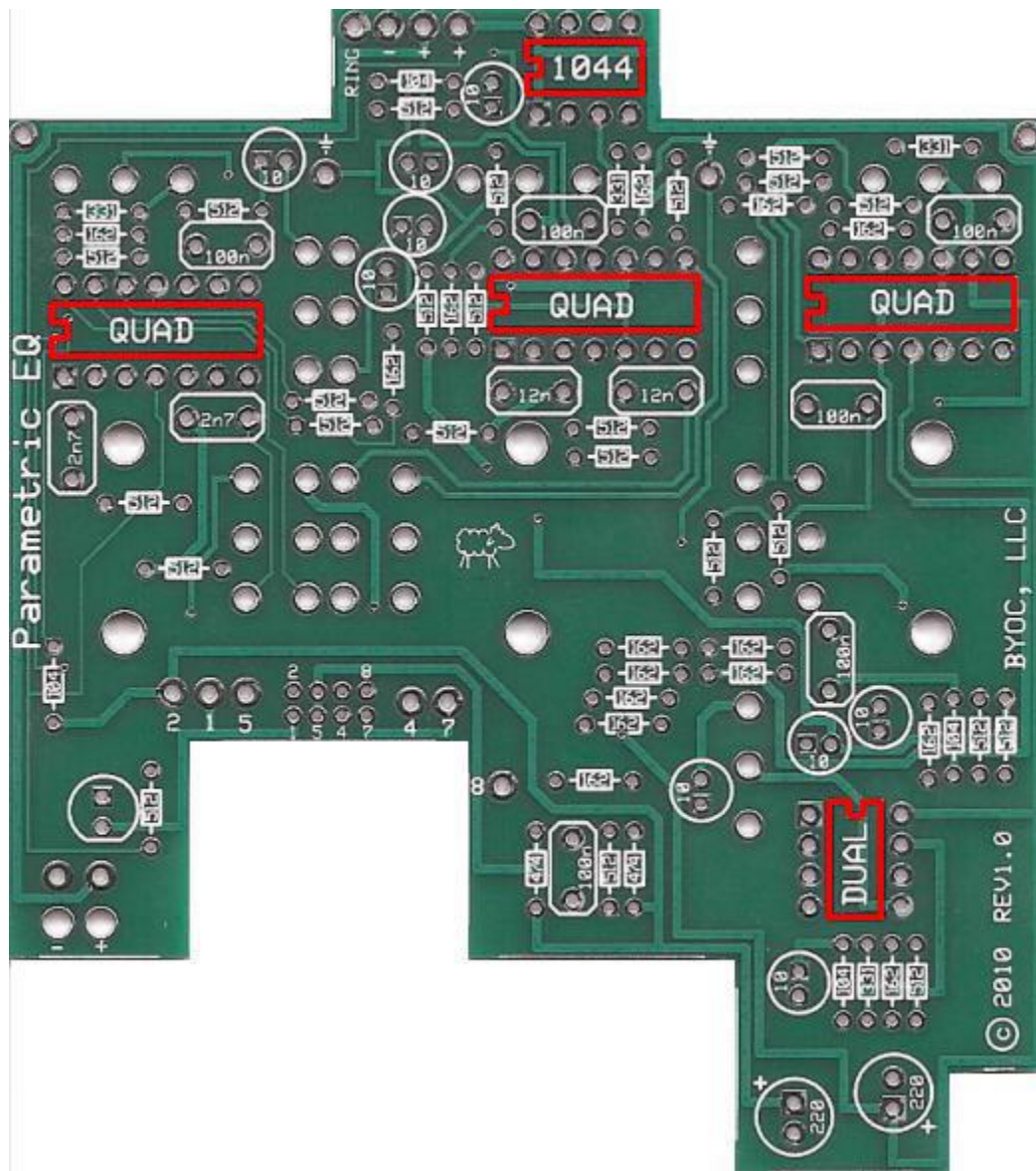




Populating the Circuit Board



STEP 1: Add the resistors . Resistors are not polarized, so it does not matter which end goes in which solder pad. Note that your kit may come with either 5.1k or 5.11k for the 512 resistor spaces and 1.6k or 1.62k for the 162 resistors spaces.

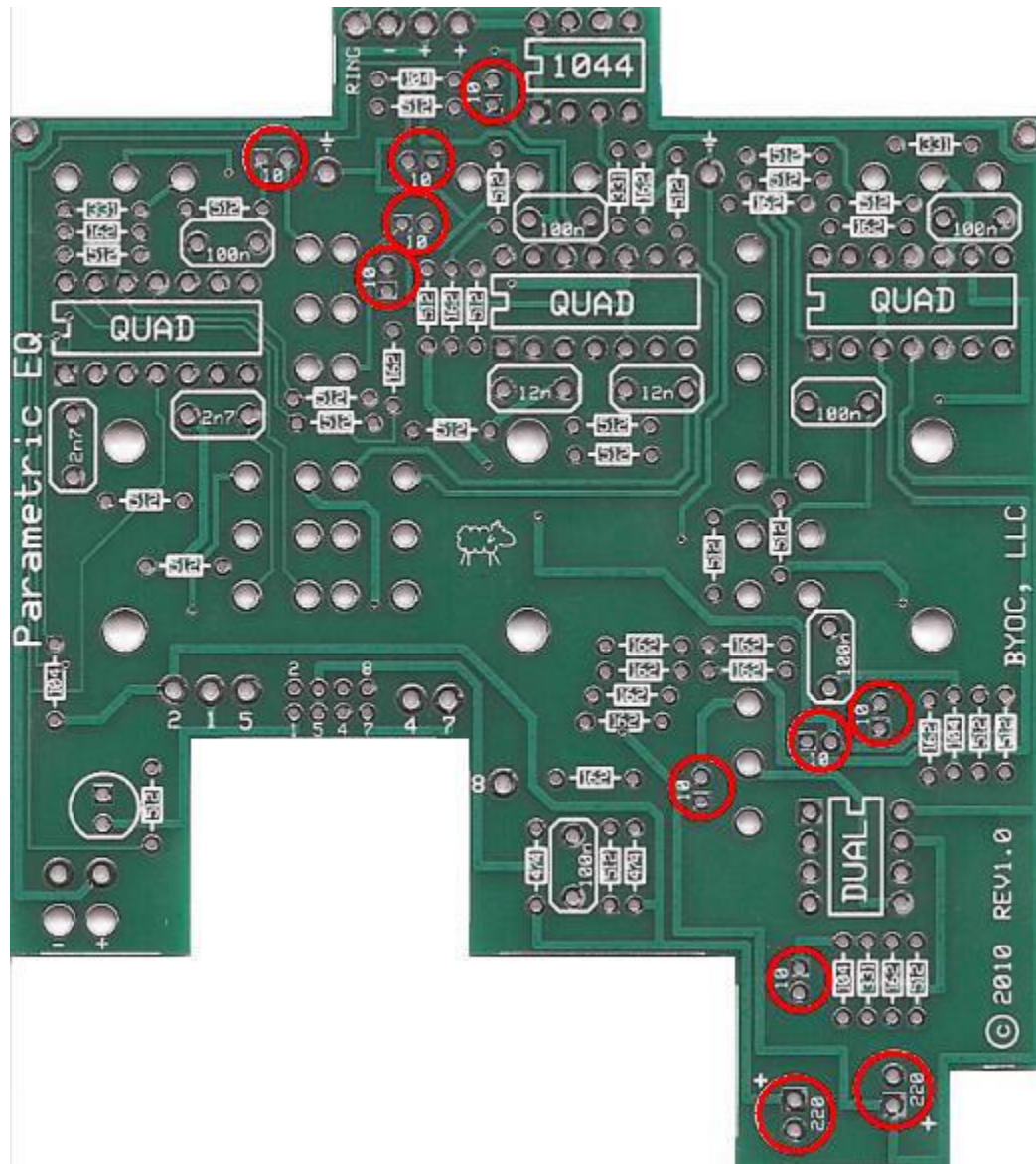


STEP 2: Add the 8 pin and 14 pin IC sockets. **ONLY SOLDER THE SOCKET! NOT THE ACTUAL IC!** These are sockets. The sockets get soldered to the PCB. The ICs get inserted into the sockets. The actual IC chips themselves, never get soldered. You will insert the ICs into the sockets after the entire pedal has been built.

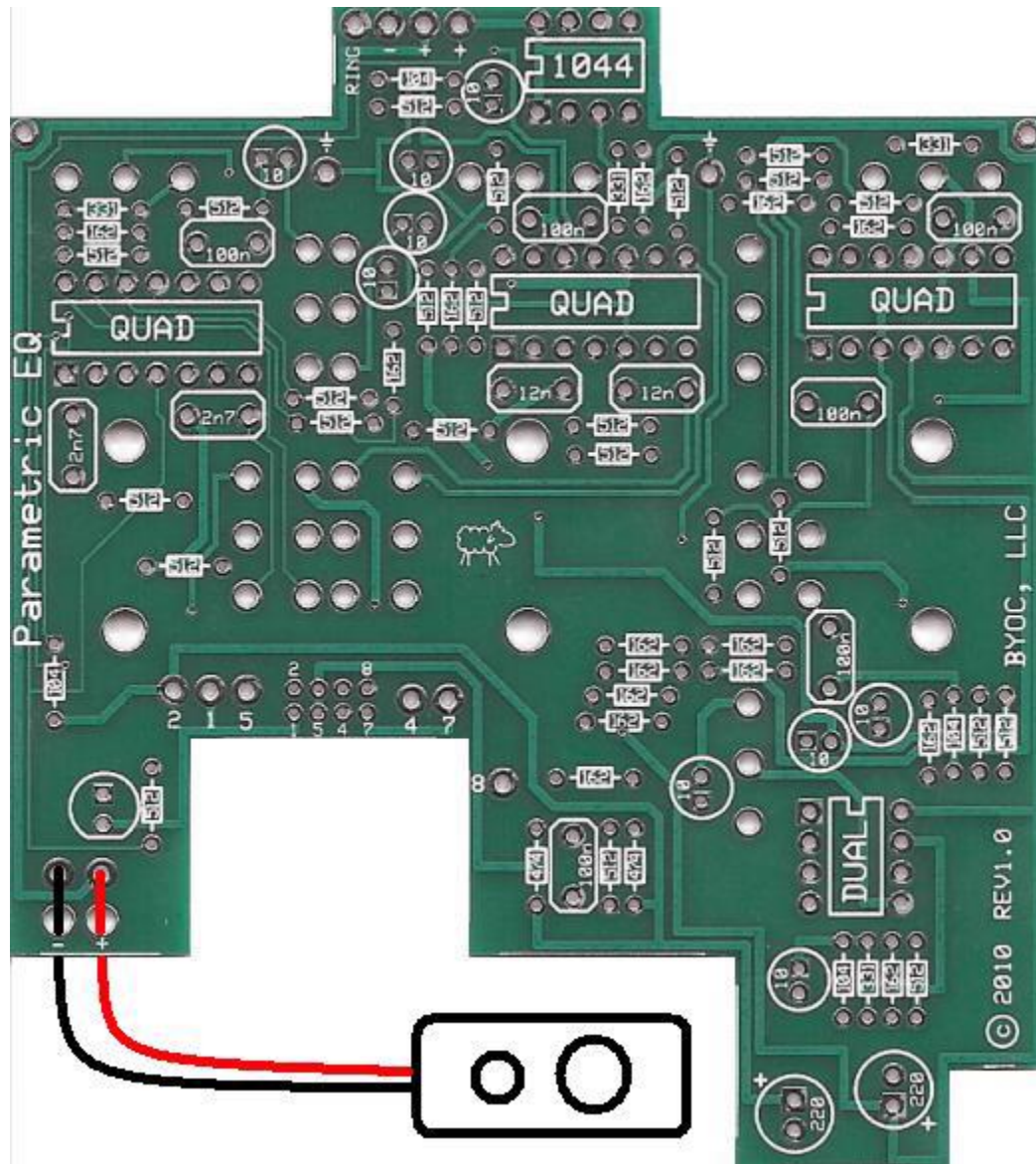
See page 21 for instructions on how to install the IC's.



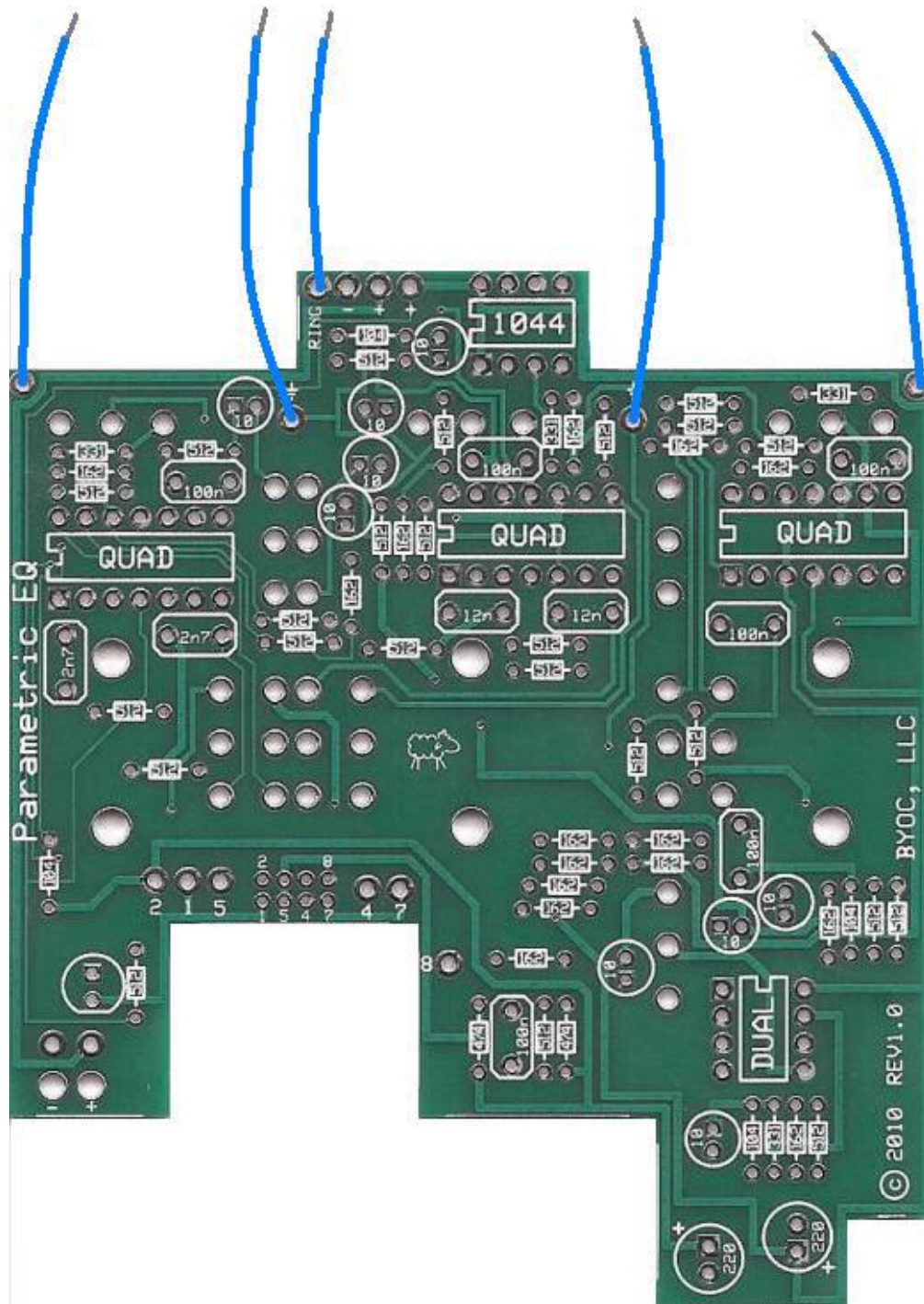
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STEP 4: Add the aluminum electrolytic capacitors. These are polarized. The positive end will have a longer lead and should go in the square solder pad. The negative end will have a shorter lead with a black or white stripe running down the body of the capacitor.

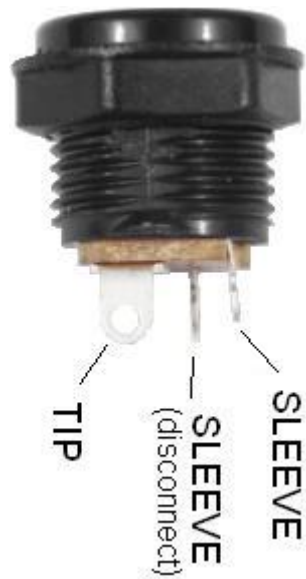


Step 5: Add the battery snap. Thread the solder ends of the battery snap into the strain relief holes from the bottom solderside of the PCB and out through the top. Insert the solder ends of the battery snap wires into the topside of their respective solder pads. Solder on the bottom side of the PCB. Remember the red wire goes in the “+” hole and the black wire goes in the “-” hole.

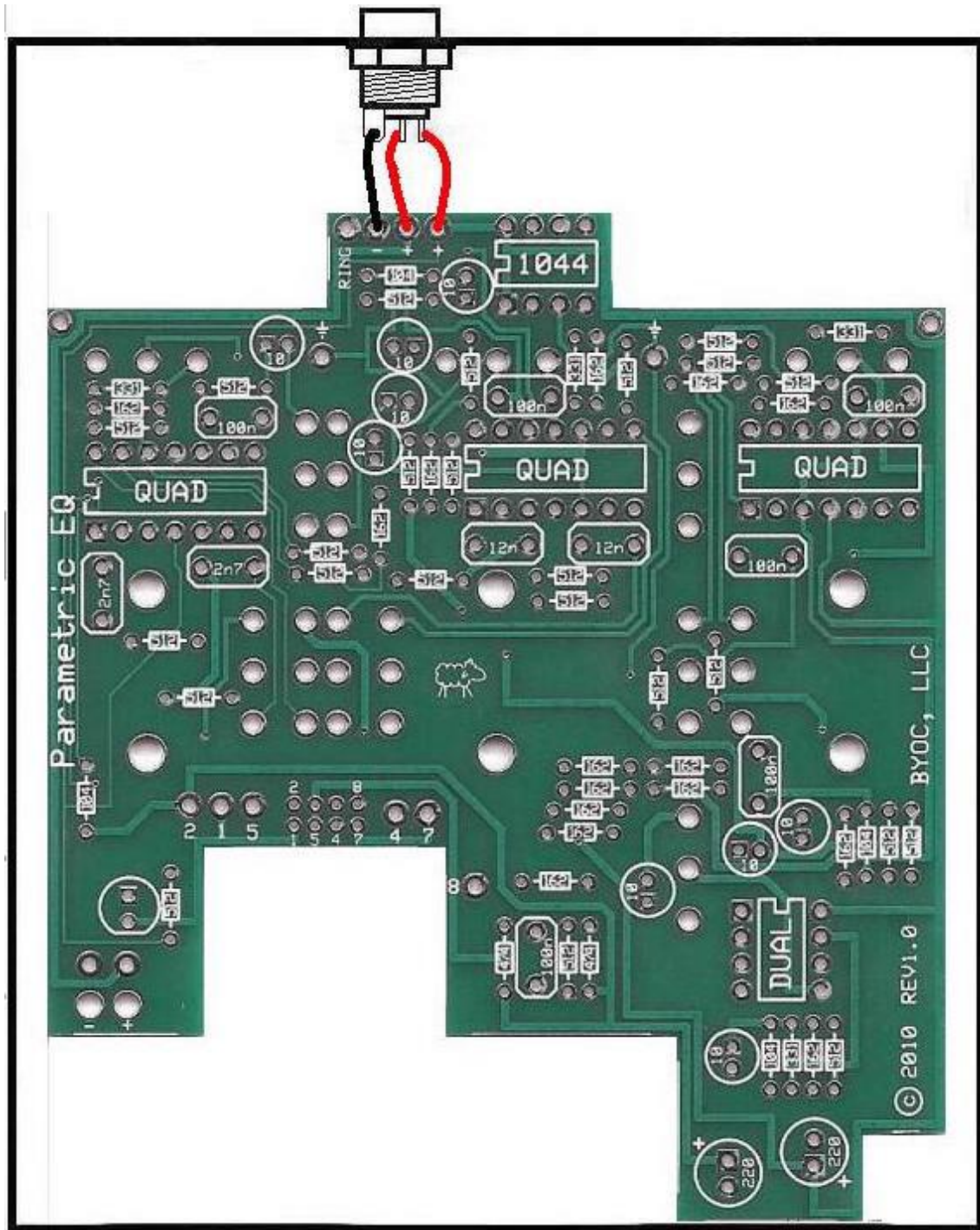


Step 6: Add wires to the IN, OUT, RING, and two Ground eyelets. Start by cutting four 2.5" pieces of wire and one 1.5" piece of wire. Strip 1/4" off each end and tin the ends. Tinning means to apply some solder to the stripped ends of the wires. This keeps the strands from fraying and primes the wire for soldering. Solder a 2.5" piece of wire to each of the IN, OUT, and Ground eyelets on the PCB. Solder the 1.5" piece of wire to the RING eyelet on the PCB. Load the wires in from the top and solder on the bottom of the PCB.

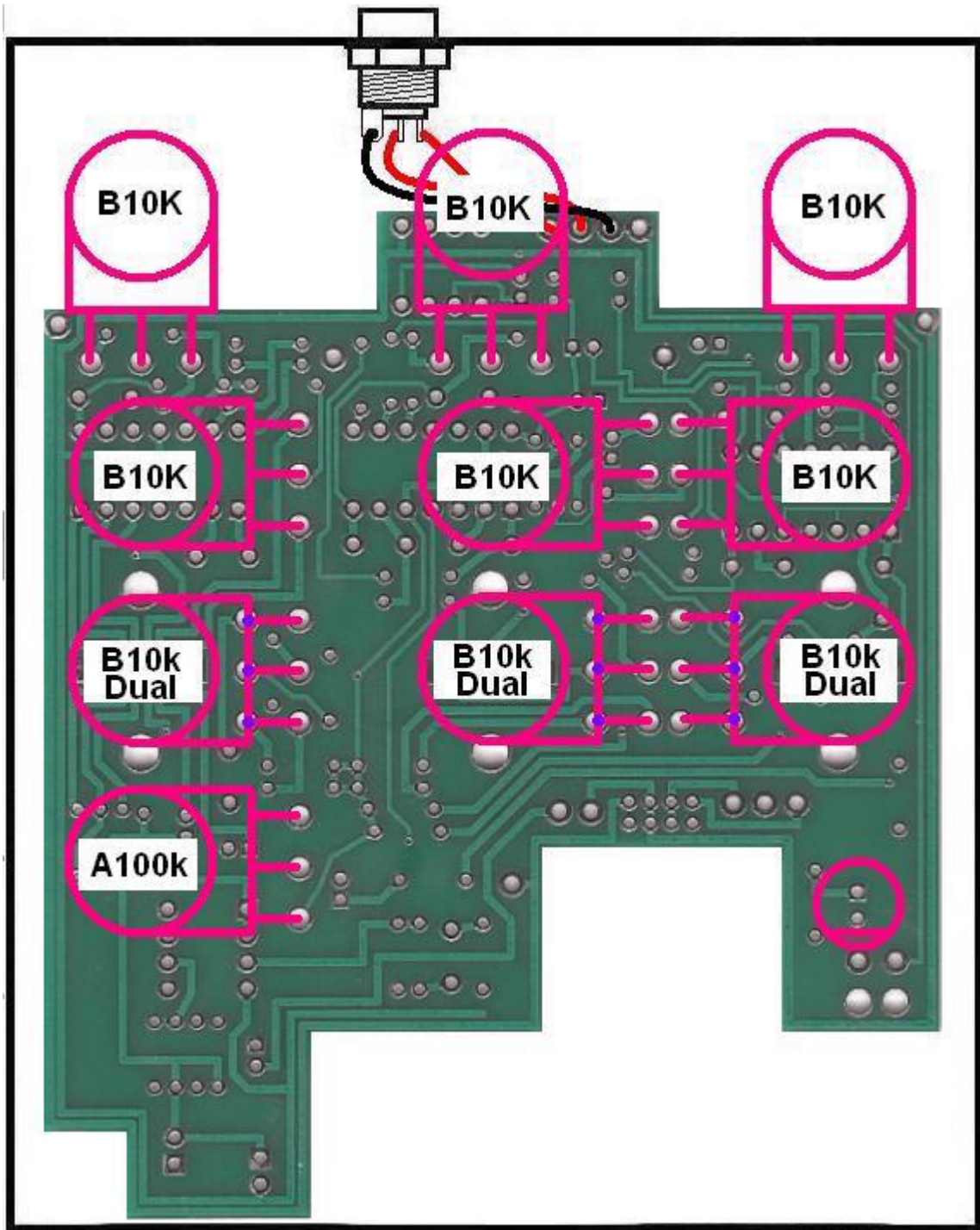
Main PCB Assembly



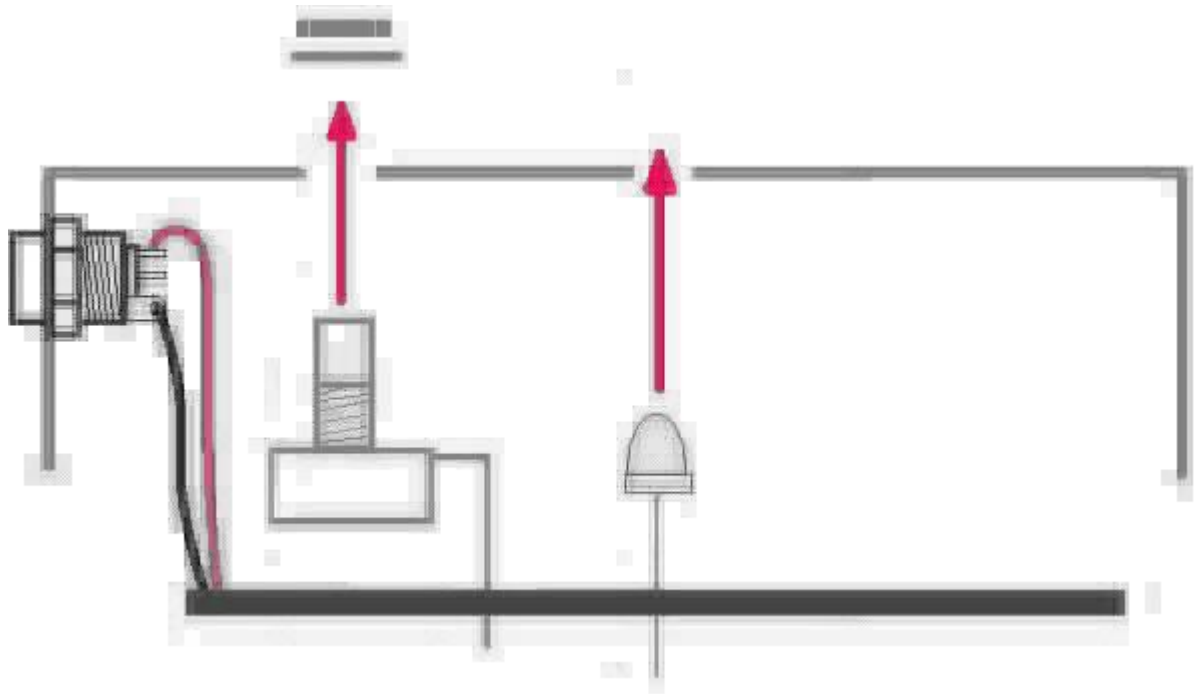
Step 1: Mount the DC adaptor jack to the enclosure.



Step 2: Connect the TIP (negative) terminal of the DC adaptor jack to the “-” eyelet on the PCB with 2 inches of hookup wire. Connect the SLEEVE of the DC adaptor jack to the “+” eyelet on the far right side of the PCB with 2 inches of hookup 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. Load the wires in from the bottom of the PCB and solder on the topside.



Step 3: Flip the PCB over so that the bottom or solder side is up. Insert the 6 x B10k (Boost/Cut & Q), 3 x Dual B10k (frequency), and 1 x A100K(level) potentiometers, and the LED into the bottom side of the PCB. **DO NOT SOLDER ANYTHING YET!!!** The LED will have one lead that is longer than the other. The longer lead goes in the hole with the square solder pad. The dual pots will have PCB snaps. You will never ever solder the dual pot snaps.



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 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 PC mounting posts of the pots.

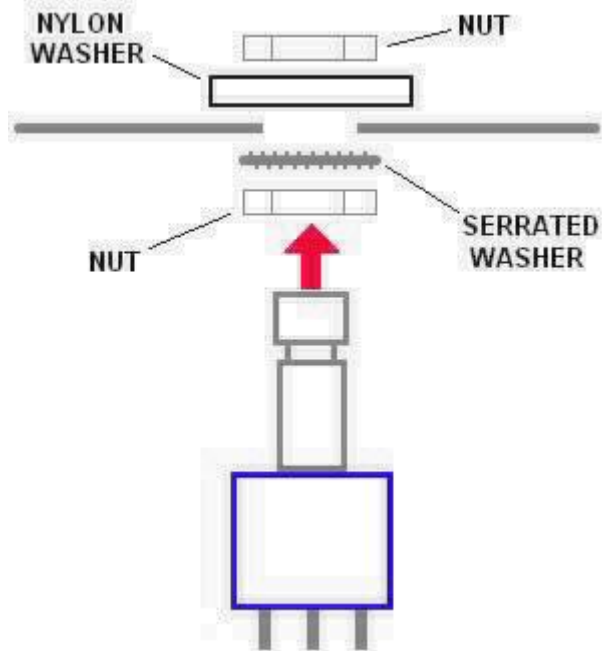
Step 5: Turn the entire pedal over so that the component side of the PCB is facing up. Lift the PCB up off the pots and toggle switch about 2mm just to make sure that the back of the PCB does not short out against that pots. Make sure the PCB is level and symmetrically seated inside the enclosure.

Step 6: Solder the pots and LEDs. You will solder these parts on the component side of the PCB. After you have soldered them in place, be sure to tighten the potentiometer nuts. Do not solder the snaps of the dual pots. You will never need to solder the dual pot snaps.

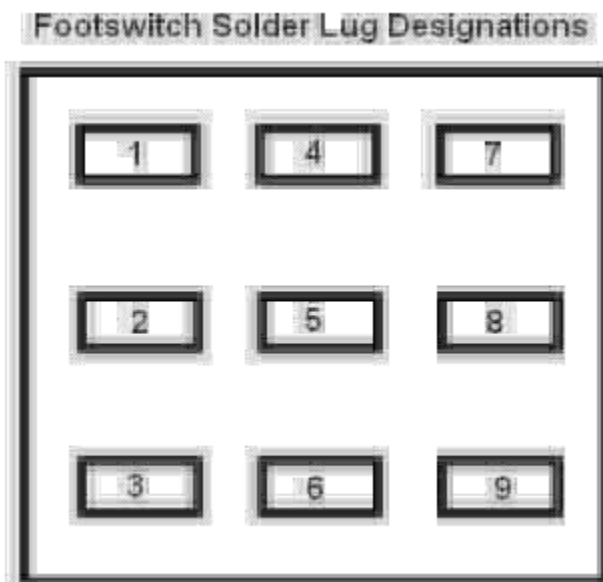
Wiring

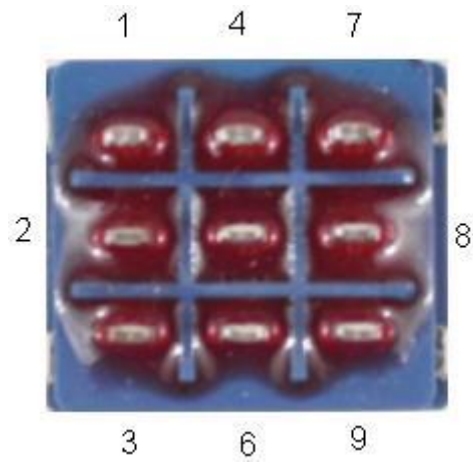
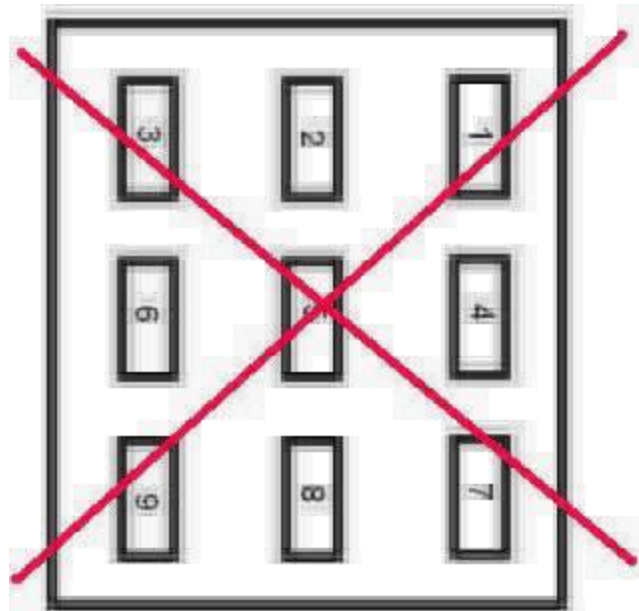


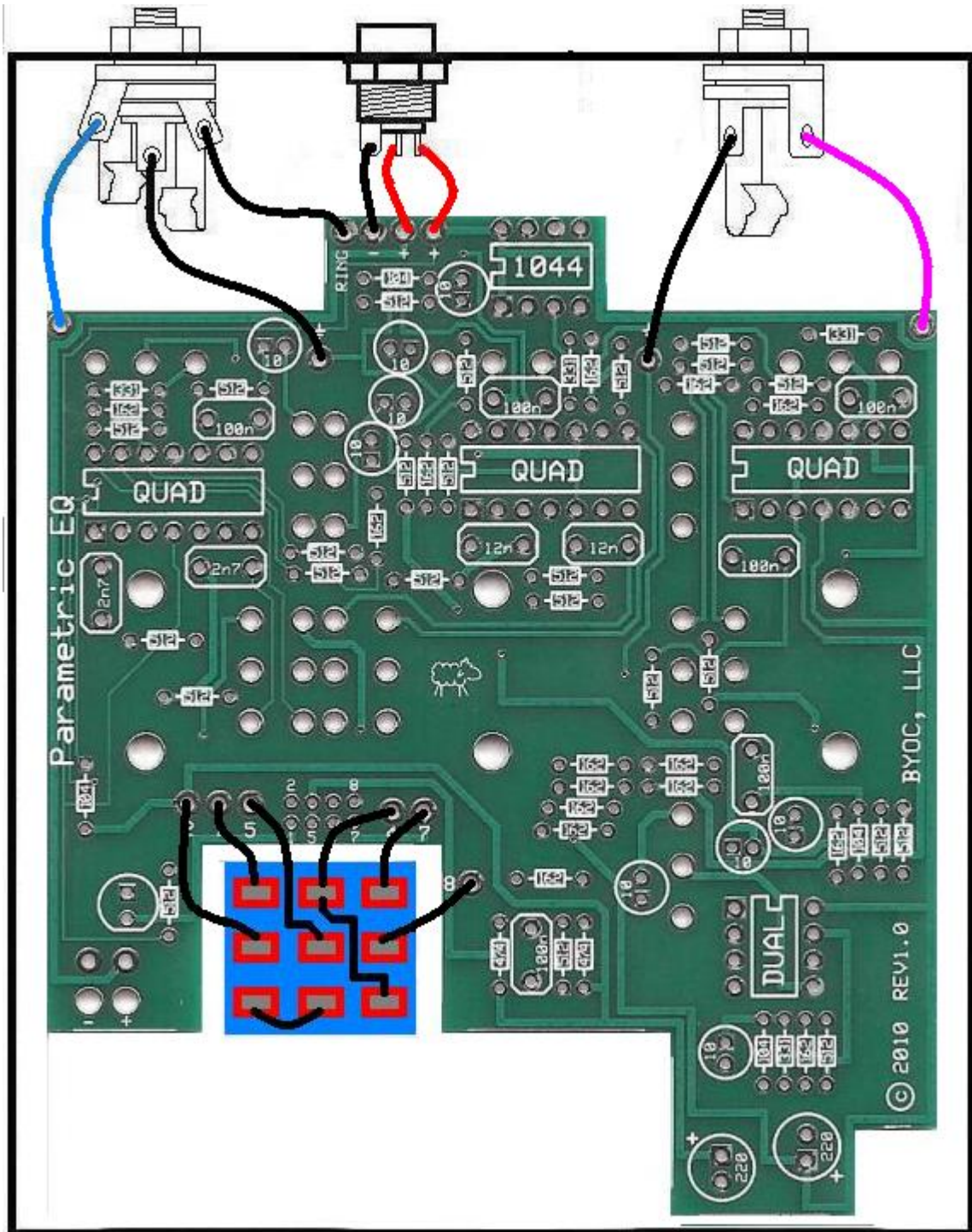
Step 1: Install the 1/4" jacks to the enclosure. Be sure to turn the OUT jack a 1/4 turn counter clockwise so that solder terminal for the tip does not short out against the enclosure.



Step 2: Install the footswitch. Orient the footswitch so that the flat sides of the solder lugs are like the diagram below. NOTE: There are no actual number markings on the footswitch. There are two correct ways you can orient the footswitch. They are both 180 degrees of each other. Either way is fine. It does not matter as long as the flat sides of the solder lugs are running horizontal, not vertical.







Step 3: Connect the pre stripped and tinned wires to the 1/4" jacks.

Step 4:

- 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

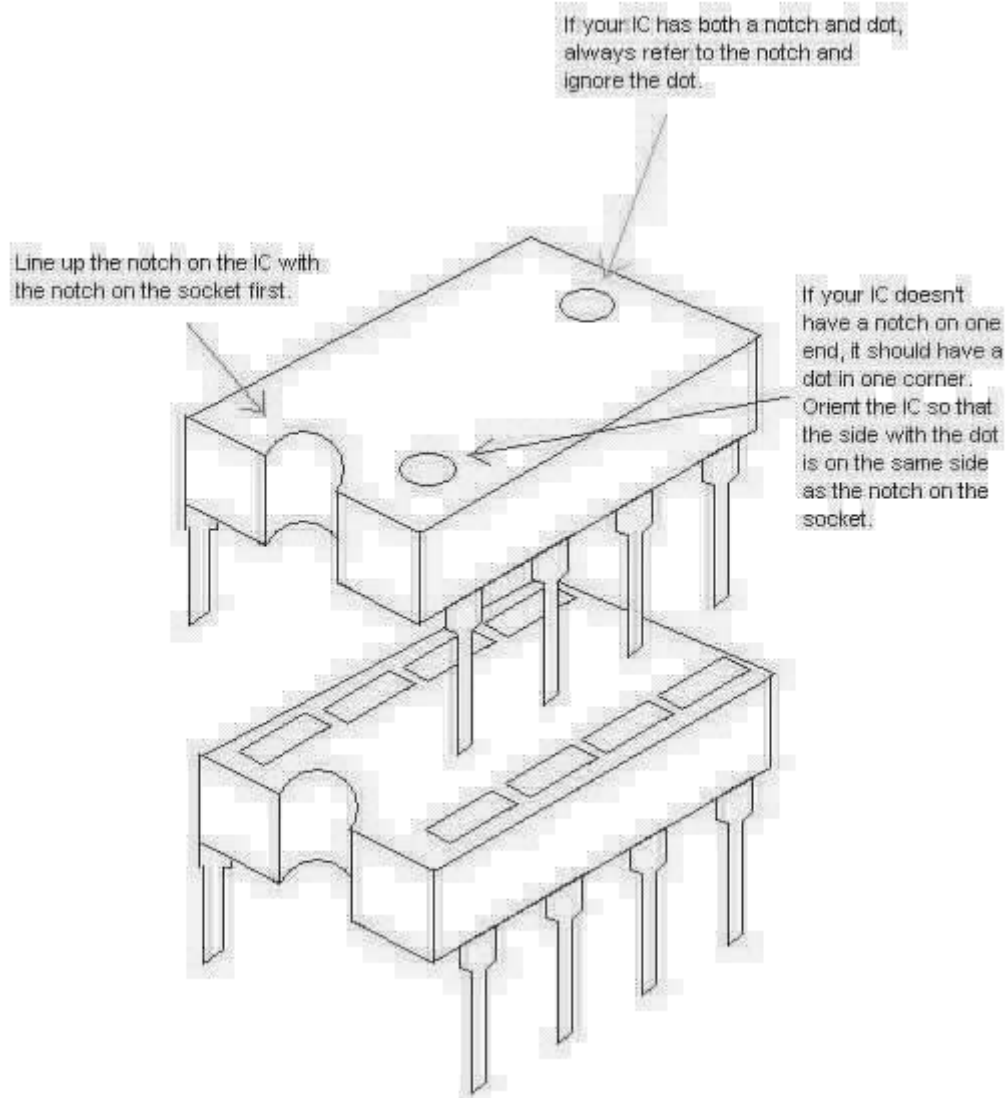
will be used to connect lug/eyelet 4. The longer stripped end will be used to jumper lug 4 to 9.

- 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 5: Solder one end of the pre-cut and pre-stripped wires to the footswitch.

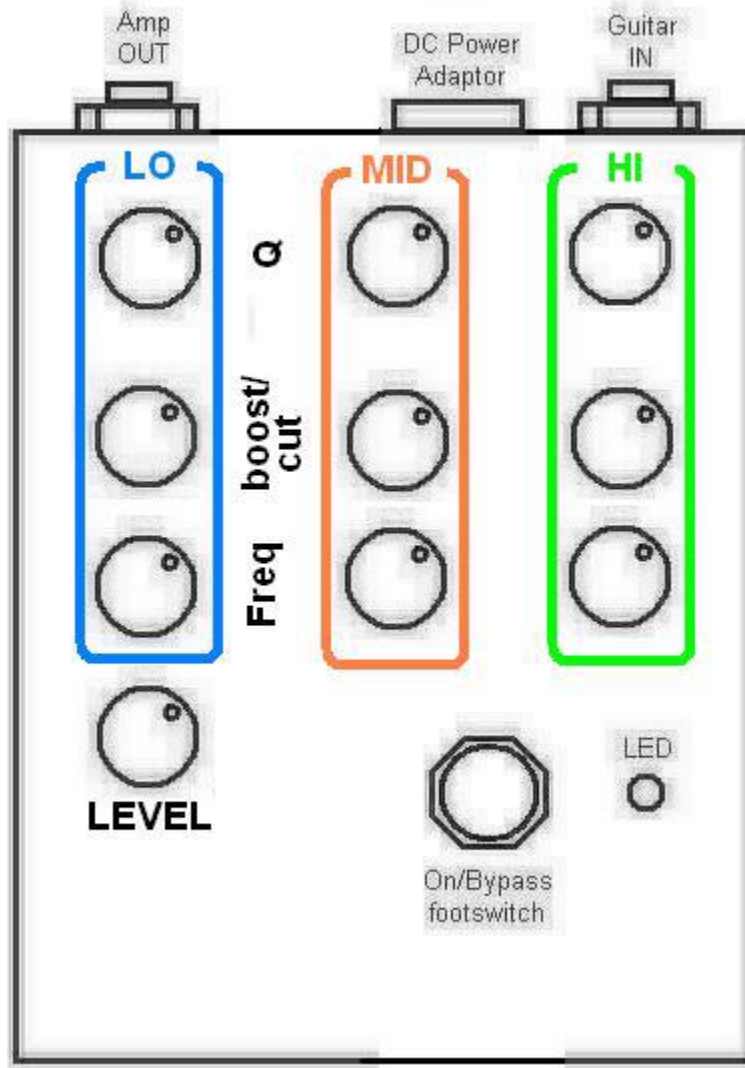
Step 6: Insert the other remaining ends of the pre-cut and pre-stripped wires into the topside of the PCB and solder. You can solder these on the topside as well. It is easier this way, but you may burn a small amount of the PVC coating on the wires. This is purely aesthetic and won't damage the wires in anyway. But you can avoid this by removing the PCB assembly and footswitch from the enclosure entirely (the PCB assembly will still be attached to the enclosure via the DC jack wiring) so that you have access to solder the underside of the PCB.

Installing the IC's and Finishing Up



Don't forget to put the cover on the enclosure and apply the bumpers to the cover if you like to use them.

Operating Overview



Q: Controls how wide or narrow the curve is of the frequency being boosted or cut. Clockwise produces a wider or lower Q. Counter-clockwise produces a narrower or higher Q.

Boost/Cut: Increases or decreases the frequency selected by its respective band by +/-12dB. Clockwise increases the gain of the frequency. Counter-clockwise decreases the gain of the frequency. 12 o'clock is neutral.

Frequency: Controls which frequency each band is effecting. Turning the knob clockwise will raise the frequency. Turning it counter-clockwise will lower the frequency. The LO band range is 33Hz - 330Hz. The MID band range is 250Hz - 2.5kHz. The HI band range is 1.1kHz - 11kHz.

Level: Controls the overall volume of the EQ

DC power supply - Use a 2.5mm negative tip 9VDC adaptor (this is your standard guitar fx style adaptor). If using battery power, only use a single 9V battery. DO NOT USE MORE THAN 9V AND DO NOT USE A POSITIVE TIP POWER SUPPLY!!!

Current Draw - 10.5mA

Input Impedance - 470k ohms

Output Impedance - 100k ohms

**For a High Res Schematic click [here](#) or go to
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