# **Shredder Kit Instructions**



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- 1. A detailed explanation of what the problem is. (more than, "It doesn't work, help")
- 2. Pic of the topside 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 answered yes to 6 and 7, what does the pedal do when it is in the "on" position?
- 9. Battery or adapter (if battery, is it good? If adapter, what type?)

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This is what your build should look like when it's done. Your kit may include different color components; this is nothing to worry about as long as the values are correct.

## Parts Checklist for The Shredder Kit

#### **Resistors:**

1 - 100ohm	(Brown/Black/Black/Brown)
1 - 1k	(brown/black/black/brown/brown)
1 - 3k3	(orange/orang/black/brown/brown)
1 - 4k7	(yellow/purple/black/brown/brown)
1 - 6k8	(Blue/Gray/Black/Brown/Brown)
2 - 10k	(brown/black/black/red/brown)
2 - 33k	(Orange/Orange/Black/Red/Brown)
3 - 47k	(yellow/purple/black/red/brown)
2 - 100k	(brown/black/black/orange/brown)
1 - 200k	(Red/Black/Black/Orange/Brown)
1 - 470k	(yellow/purple/black/orange/brown)
1 - 680k	(Blue/Gray/Black/Orange/Brown)
2 - 1M	(brown/black/black/yellow/brown)

## **Capacitors:**

- 1 47pf ceramic disc (small round capacitor with '47' on the body)
- 1 100pf ceramic disc (small round capacitor with '101' on the body)
- 2 .001uf film (may say 102 on the body)
- 1 .0022uf film (may say 222 on the body)
- 1 .01uf film (may say 103 on the body)
- 2 .022uf film (may say 223 on the body)
- 2 .047uf film (may say 473 on the body)
- 2 .1uf film (may say 104 on the body)
- 4 .22uf film (may say 224 on the body)
- 1 47uf aluminum electrolytic
- 1 100uf aluminum electrolytic

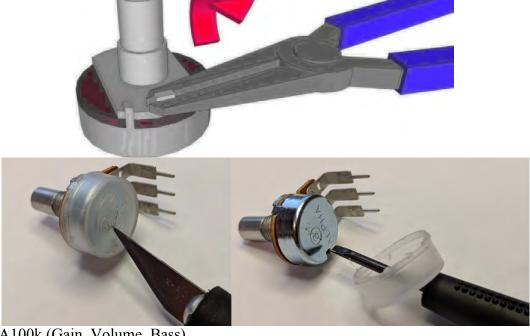
#### IC:

- 1 TL074 or similar quad op amp
- 1 DIP14 Socket

## **Diodes:**

- 2 1N914 or 1N4148(smaller diodes)
- 1 1N4001 (black with silver stripe)

Potentiometers: Snap off the small tabs on the top of the pots with a pair of needle nose pliers. If your pots have covers, remove them before continuing. You might have to cut a slit in the cover with a blade and use a small screwdriver to get leverage.



- 3 A100k (Gain, Volume, Bass)
- 1 B25k (Treble)
- 1 B100k (Contour)

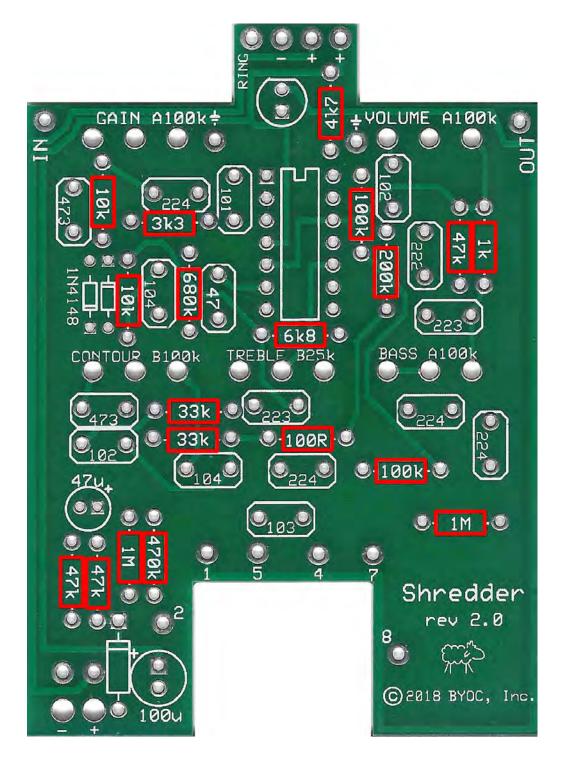
## Hardware:

- 1 enclosure w/ 4 screws
- 1 Shredder circuit board
- 1 3pdt footswitch
- 5 knobs
- 1 AC adaptor jack
- 2 Enclosed jacks (or 1 Open Stereo Jack (Input) and 1 Open Mono Jack (Output)
- 2 Lock Washers
- 4 Rubber Bumpers
- 1 battery snap
- 1 red LED

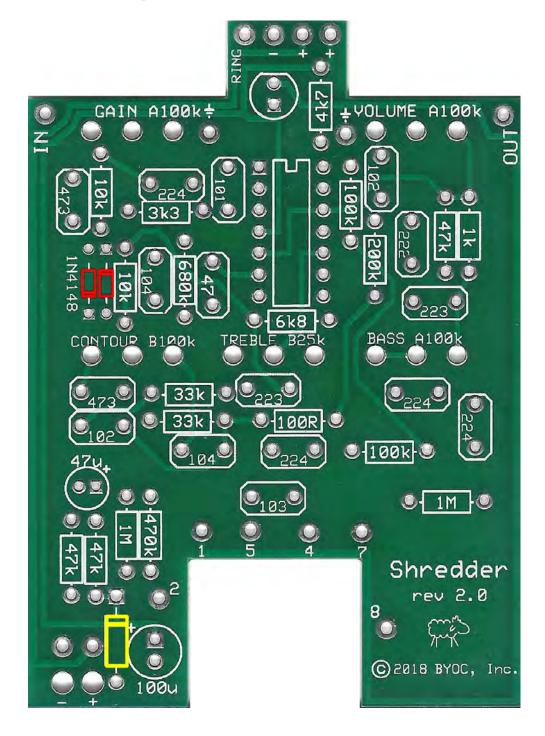
hook-up wire

# **Populating the Circuit Board**

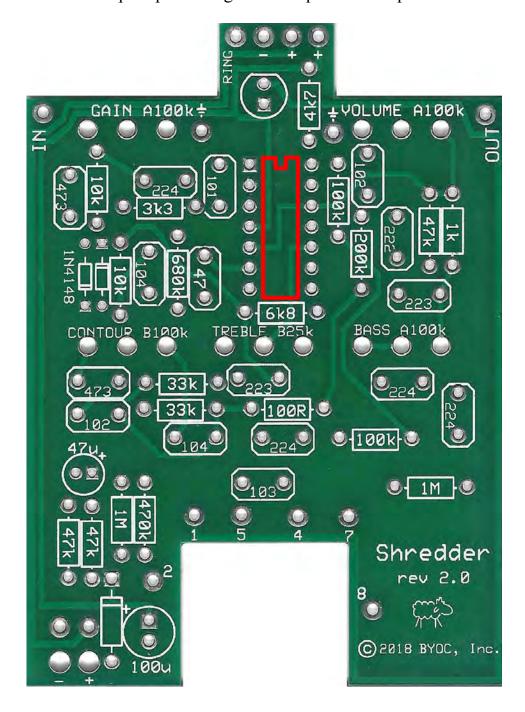
**Step 1:** Add all the resistors. Resistors are not polarized, so they can face in either direction.



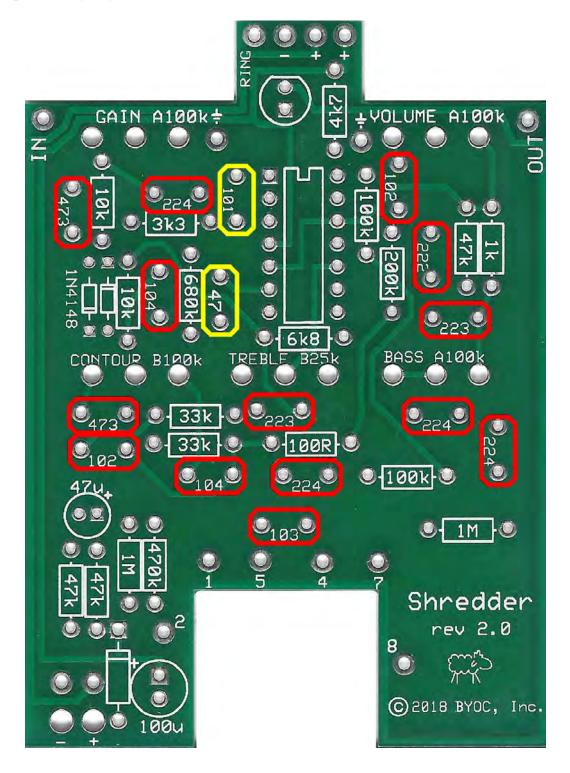
**Step 2:** Add the diodes. The smaller 1N914 are highlighted in red. The larger 1N4001 is highlighted in yellow. Make sure the stripe on each diode matches with the stripe on the layout.



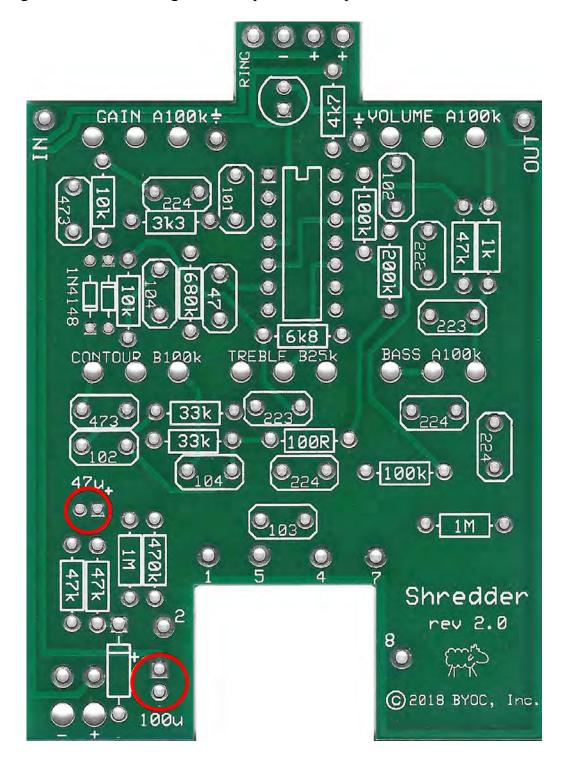
**Step 3:** Add the IC socket. Match up the u-shaped notch in the socket with the notch on the layout. If the op amp that is supplied with your kit does not have a notch in it, there will be a small dot in one corner. This denotes pin #1. Pin #1 of the op amp should go in the square solder pad.



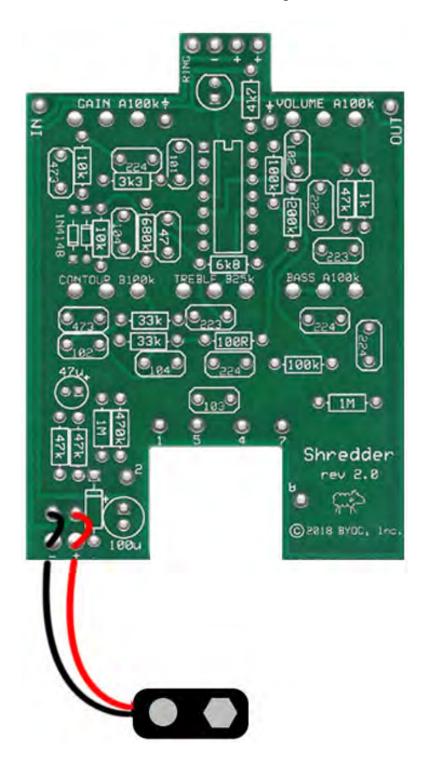
**Step 4:** Add the film and ceramic disc caps. These are not polarized and can go in either direction. The film caps are highlighted in red, the ceramic disc caps are highlighted in yellow.



**Step 5:** Add the electrolytic capacitors. These are polarized, meaning they have a positive and negative end. The positive end of the cap will have a longer lead and should go in the square solder pad.



**Step 8:** Add the battery snap. Thread the wires of the battery snap through the holes in the PCB before soldering as shown below.



# **Main PCB Assembly**



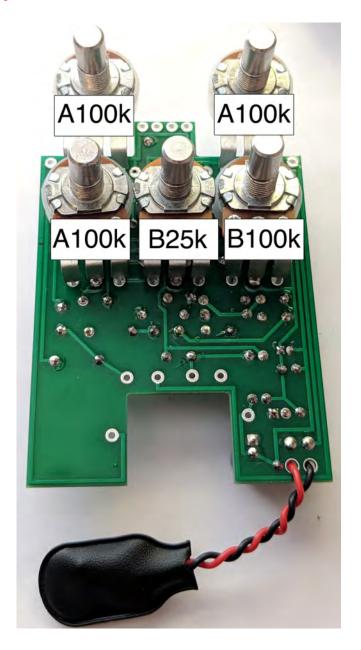
**Step 1:** Mount the AC adapter jack to the enclosure. Your kit may come with either an external thread or internal thread. Don't get confused by this. They still function exactly the same. You just thread the external nut on the outside and the internal nut on the inside. The picture below is of an internal nut jack.

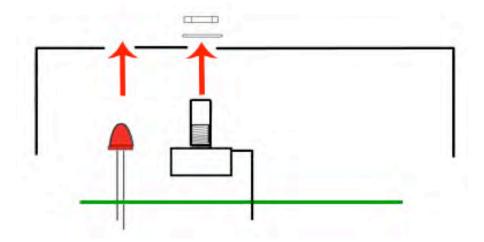


BEFORE CONTINUING, REMOVE THE DUST COVERS FROM THE POTENTIOMETERS. YOU MAY NEED TO MAKE A SLIT IN THE COVER TO RELIEVE ANY VACCUUM BETWEEN THE COVER AND THE POTENTIOMETER.

**Step 2**: Flip the PCB over so that the bottom or solder side is up. Insert the four potentiometers, toggle switch and the LEDs into the bottom side of the PCB. DO NOT SOLDER ANYTHING YET!!!

The LED will have one lead that is longer than the other. THIS WILL GO INTO THE SQUARE SOLDER HOLE.



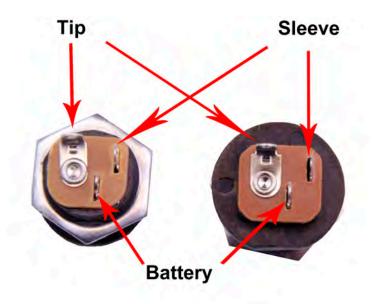


**Step 3:** Hold the PCB in one hand so that the component side of the PCB is in the palm of your hand and the bottom side with the pots, toggle switch and LED is facing up. Now use your other hand to guide the predrilled enclosure onto the PCB assembly so that the pots, toggle switch and LED all go into their respective holes. Once the PCB assembly is in place, secure it by screwing on the washers and nuts for the pots. Only tighten them with your fingers. You do not want them very tight yet. Make sure you've removed the nuts and washers from the pots and that you've also snapped the tabs off the pots as well before installing.

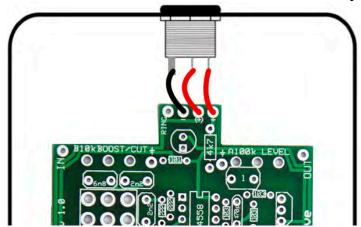
**Step 4:** Turn the entire pedal over so that the component side of the PCB is facing up. Lift the PCB up off the pots about 2mm just to make sure that the back of the PCB does not short out against the pots. Make sure the PCB is level and symmetrically seated inside the enclosure.

**Step 5:** Solder the pots, toggle switch and LED. You will be soldering on the component side (top) of the PCB. After you have soldered them in place, be sure to tighten up their nuts. TIP: only solder one lug of each component at first. This will secure everything in place and still allow you to wiggle things around if you need to adjust the fit of anything. Once you have everything perfect, go ahead and solder everything else.

## **WIRING**



**Step 6:** Connect the TIP (negative) terminal of the DC adapter jack to the eyelet on the PCB labeled "-". Connect the SLEEVE of the DC adapter jack to the eyelet on the PCB labeled "+" farthest to the right. Connect the battery disconnect terminal of the DC adapter jack to the second eyelet on the PCB labeled "+" located in the middle of the other two eyelets.



# **OPEN JACKS**Stereo (input) Jack

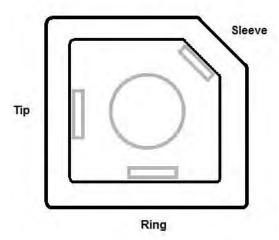


Mono (output) Jack

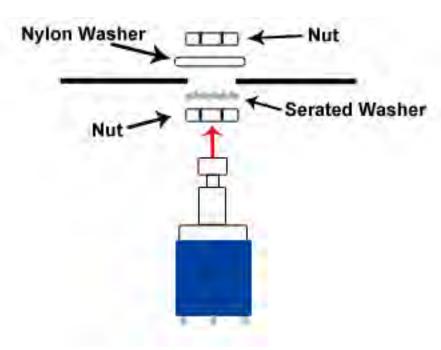


Install the ¼" jacks into the enclosure.

## **Enclosed Jack**



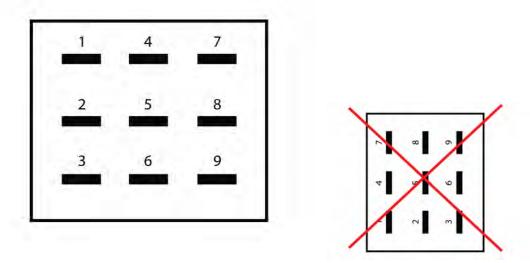
Your kit will include either open jacks or enclosed jacks. The wiring for both is very similar, and will be shown below.



**Step 7:** 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.

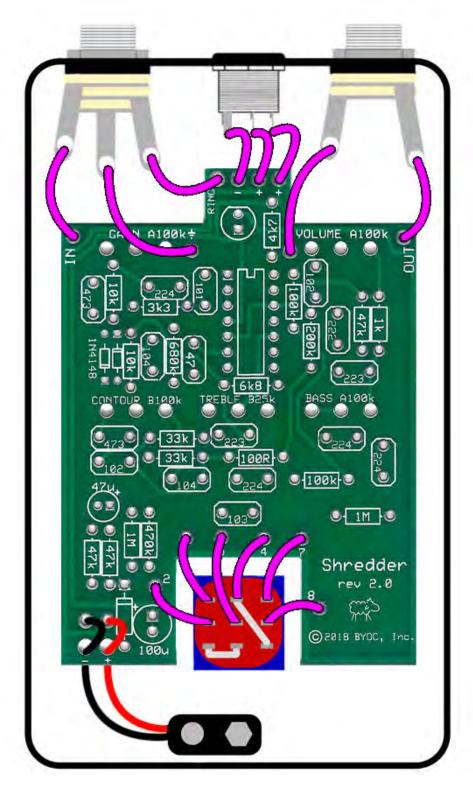
#### FOOT SWITCH SOLDER LUG DESIGNATIONS



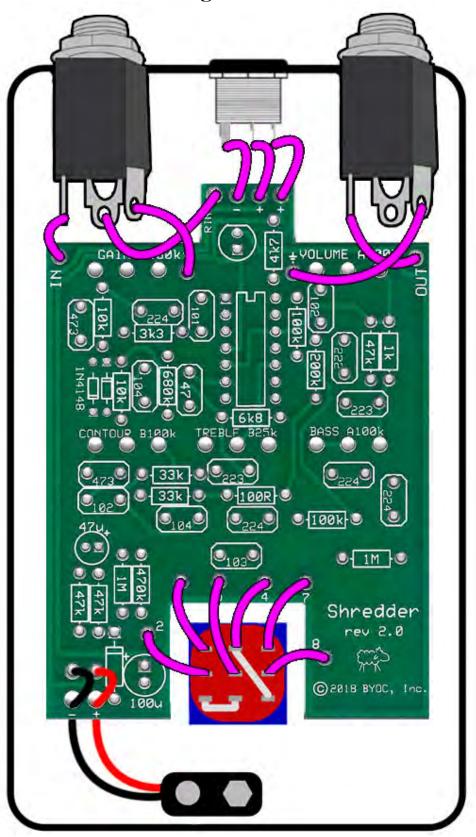
**Step 8:** Insert the foot switch wires into their respective eyelets on the PCB. You can insert them into the top side and solder on the top side as well. The solder pads should be large enough (if you are using a soldering iron that isn't too big) to allow you to do this without burning the PVC coating on the wires if you are careful. If you do singe the plastic on the wires, it's OK. It's not going to hurt anything. It's purely aesthetic.

**Step 9:** Connect the wires at the top end of the PCB to the IN and OUT jacks. The "out" eyelet will go to the tip of the OUT jack and the "in" eyelet will go to the tip of the IN jack. Connect the ground eyelet on the left to the sleeve of the IN jack and the ground eyelet on the right to the sleeve of the OUT jack. Connect the "ring" eyelet to the ring of the IN jack. See diagram below.

# **Finished Wiring With Open Jacks**

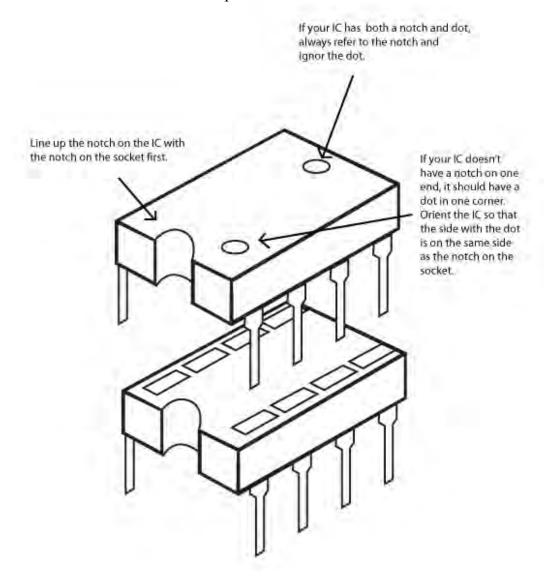


# **Finished Wiring With Enclosed Jacks**



# **Installing IC/Finish up**

Don't forget to add the knobs, put the cover on the enclosure, and apply the bumpers to the cover.



# **Operating Overview**



**VOLUME:** This controls the volume of the pedal. **GAIN:** This controls the amount of distortion.

**TREBLE:** This boosts or cuts the treble.

**BASS:** This boosts or cuts the bass.

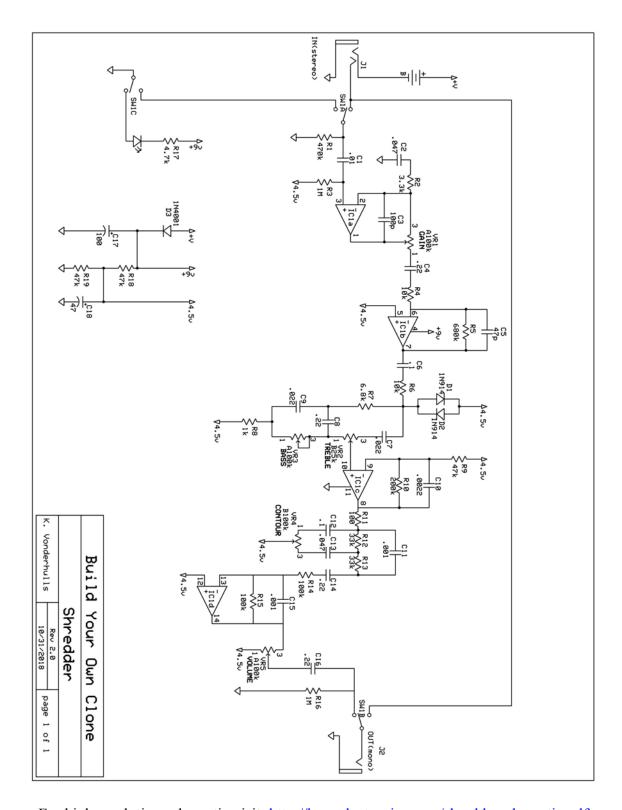
**CONTOUR:** Essentially a mid control. CCW is full mids. CW is scooped

mids.

**Power supply:** 9V battery or 2.1mm negative-tip 9V adapter.

Current Draw: 8.5mA

**Input Impedance:** 470k ohms **Output Impedance:** 1M ohms



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