

# 1st 2J55 System/ PFN Modulator Prototype

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## NE bulb RF Excited by Magnetron

My 1st PFN pulse modulator of the x band 50KW class is described here:



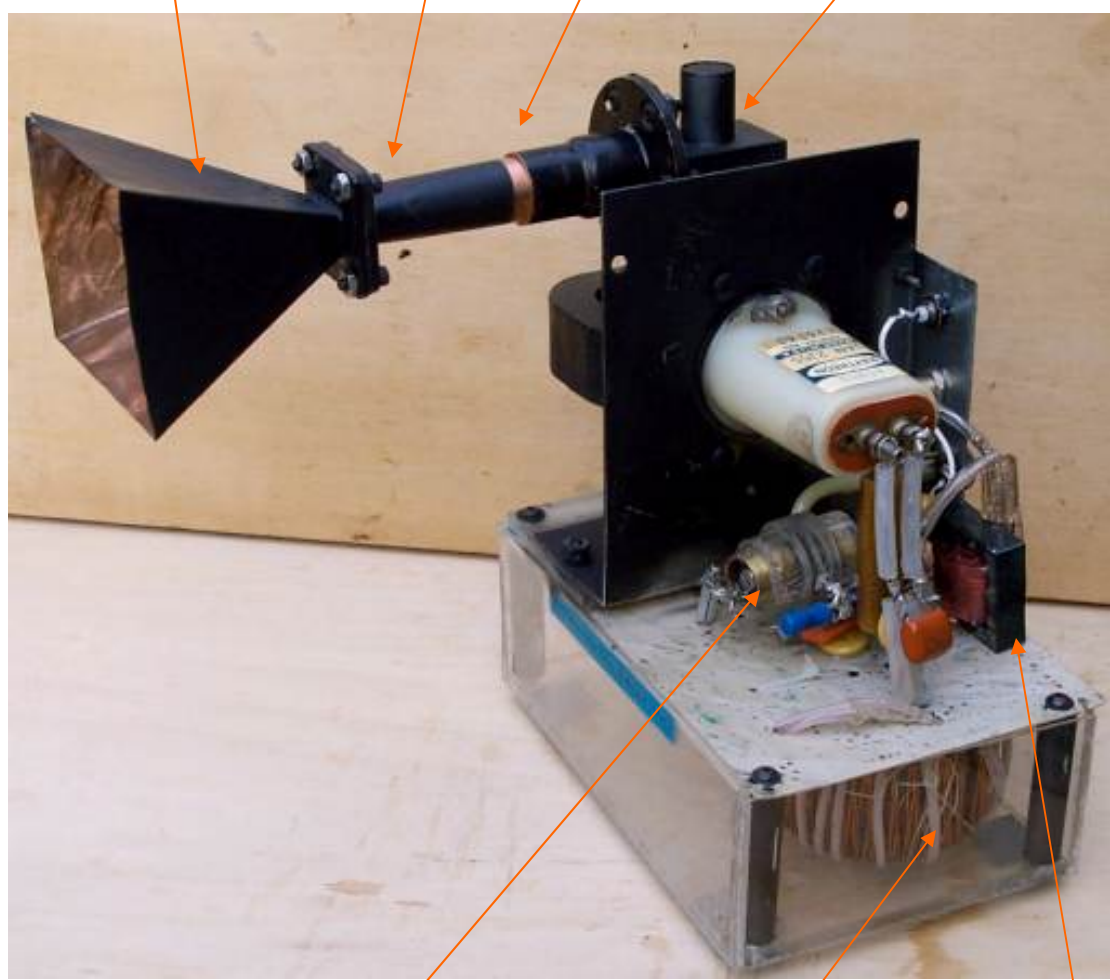
I have lost my notes regarding this project; decided to reverse engineer what I have done where possible.

Rectangular-to-circular waveguide

Circular -to- rectangular waveguide

Horn Antenna

2J55 Magnetron



Mid-plane triggered spark gap

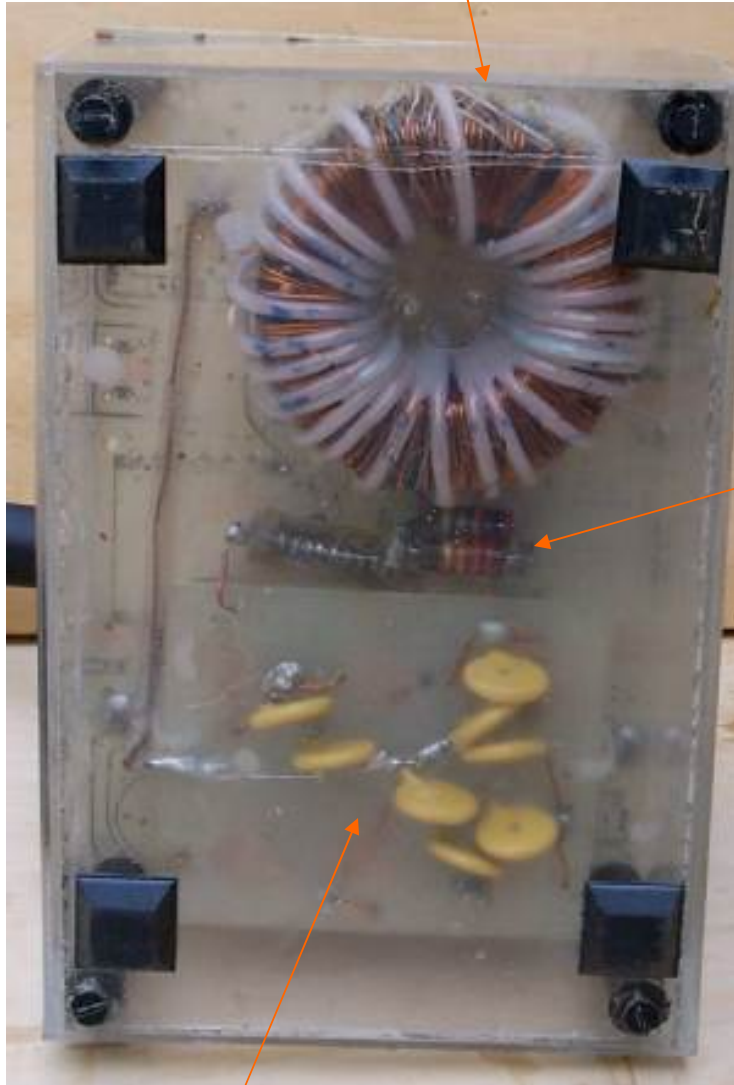
Pulse Transformer; 3.3:1;  
sec. $\Rightarrow$ 50T; pri. $\Rightarrow$ 12T;  
three ferrite torroids  
<< see

Trig. Trans  
(see)

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Pulse trans.



HV INPUT  
(see schematic)..

6 stage PFN

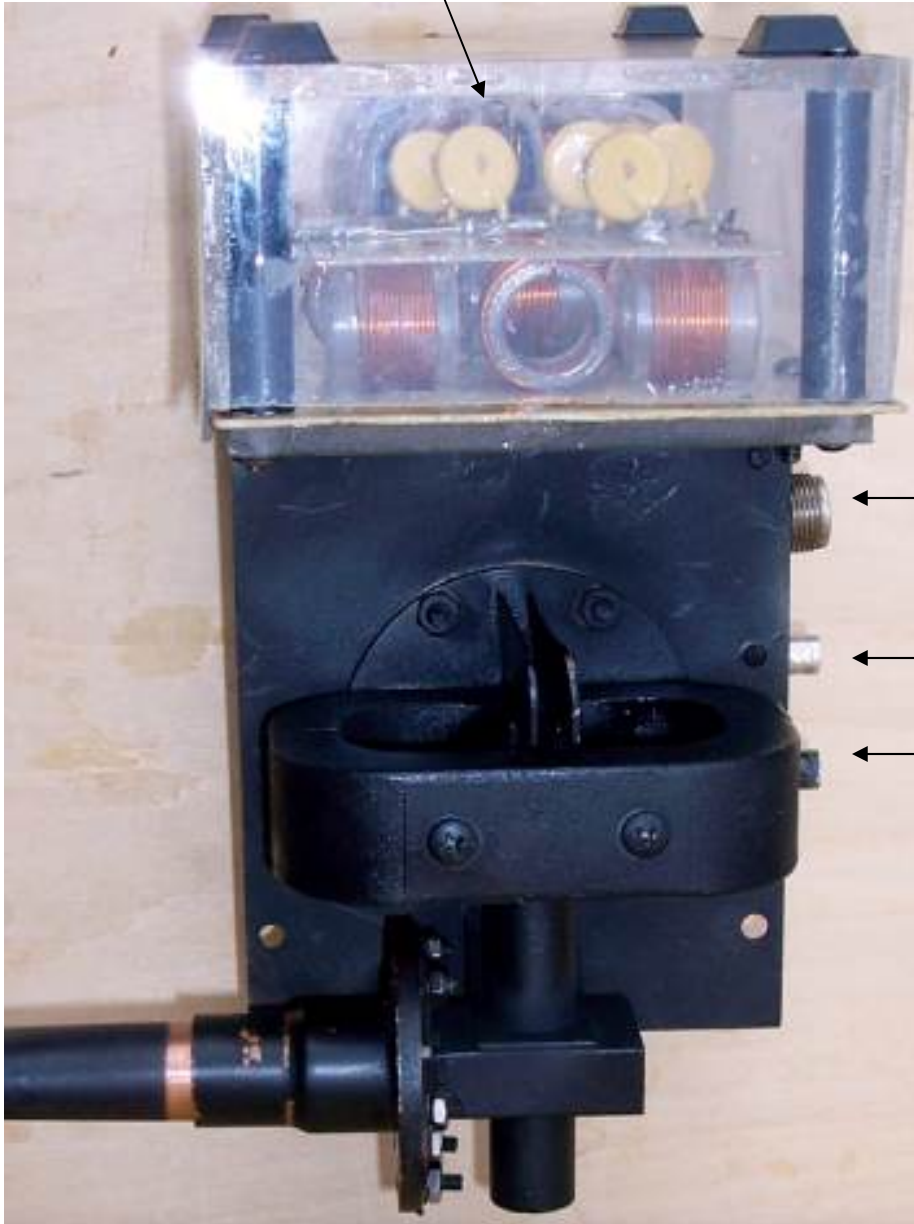


Trig.

heater



PFN

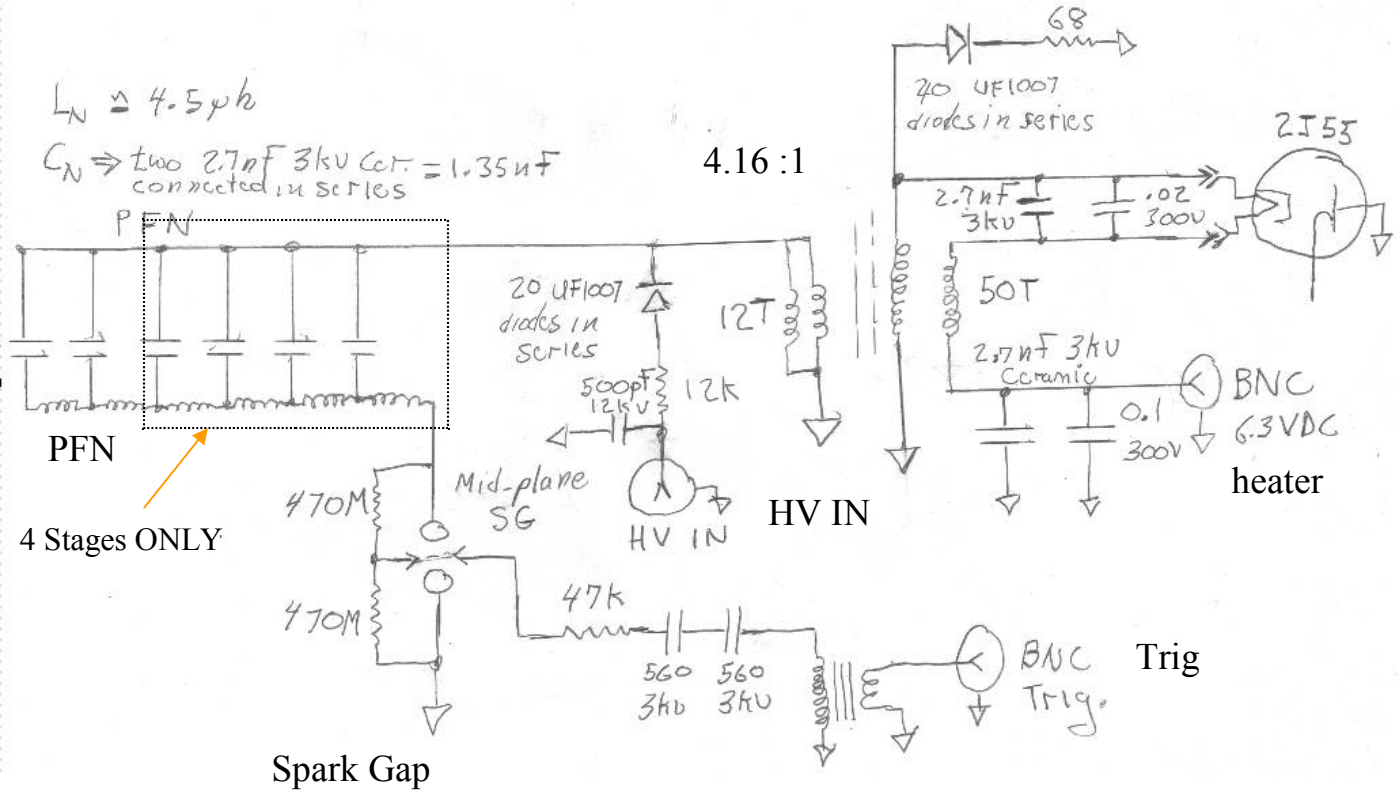


← HV IN

← trig

← heater

## 2J55 SYS/MOD Schematic



Magnetron  $\Rightarrow$  1Kohm operational Z

Pulse Transformer 4.16:1 turns ratio ;  $N^2 = 17.36$  ; PRI. Z  $\Rightarrow$   $1000ohm/17.36 = 57.6$  ohms

**Original PFN was designed for 6 stages**

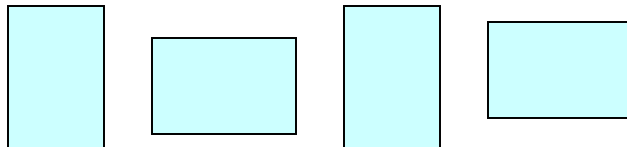
PFN  $\Rightarrow$  about 900ns pulse width  $\Rightarrow$   $\sim 450ns$  one way ; n  $\Rightarrow$  number of stages ;  $\sim 57.6$  ohms

$$C = T/nZ = 4.5E-7 / 6 * 57.6 = 1.3nF$$

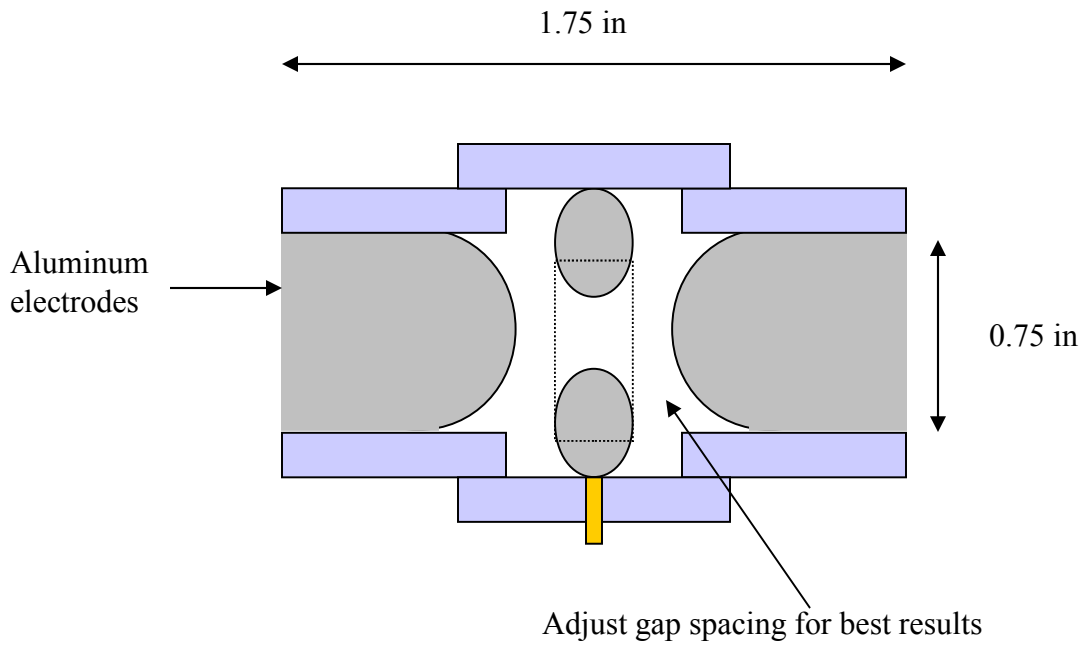
$$L = Z T / n = 57.6 * 4.5E-7 / 6 = 4.3 \mu H$$

**PFN now uses only 4 stages  $\sim \Rightarrow$  600nsec**

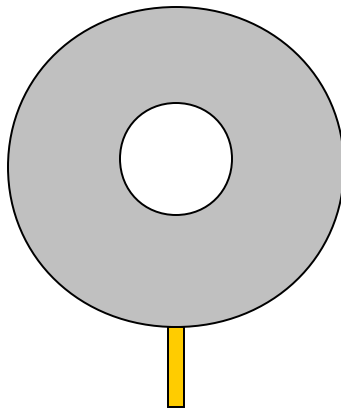
Note that the PFN inductors are arranged physically to reduce coupling.



# Triggered Spark Gap



## Mid-plane electrode (aluminum)

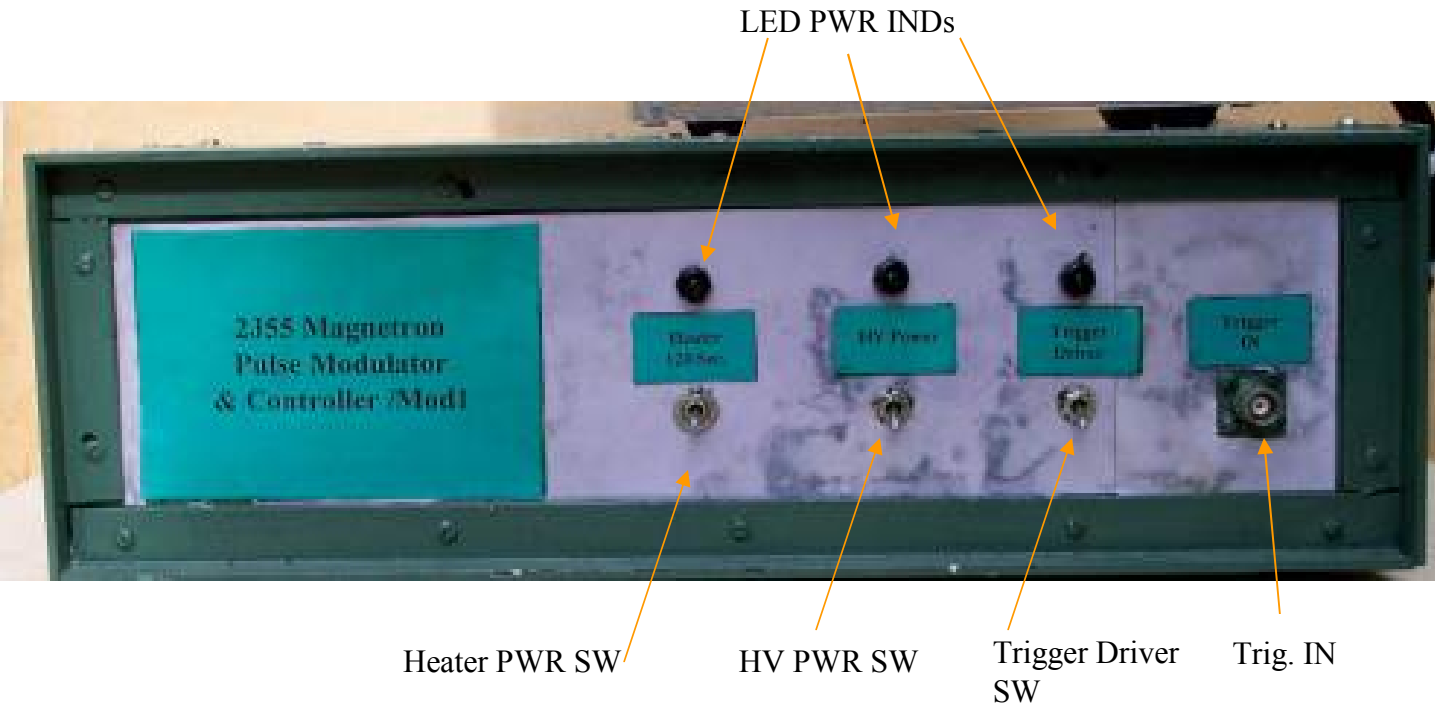




CONTROLLER/ PWR

Cables => heater, trig., HV

# Controller Panel



HV PWR is switched OFF until the heater PWR SW is ON

6.3 VDC magnetron switch mode PS

HV switch mode PS



Power supply for SCR  
trigger generator  
see:

controller

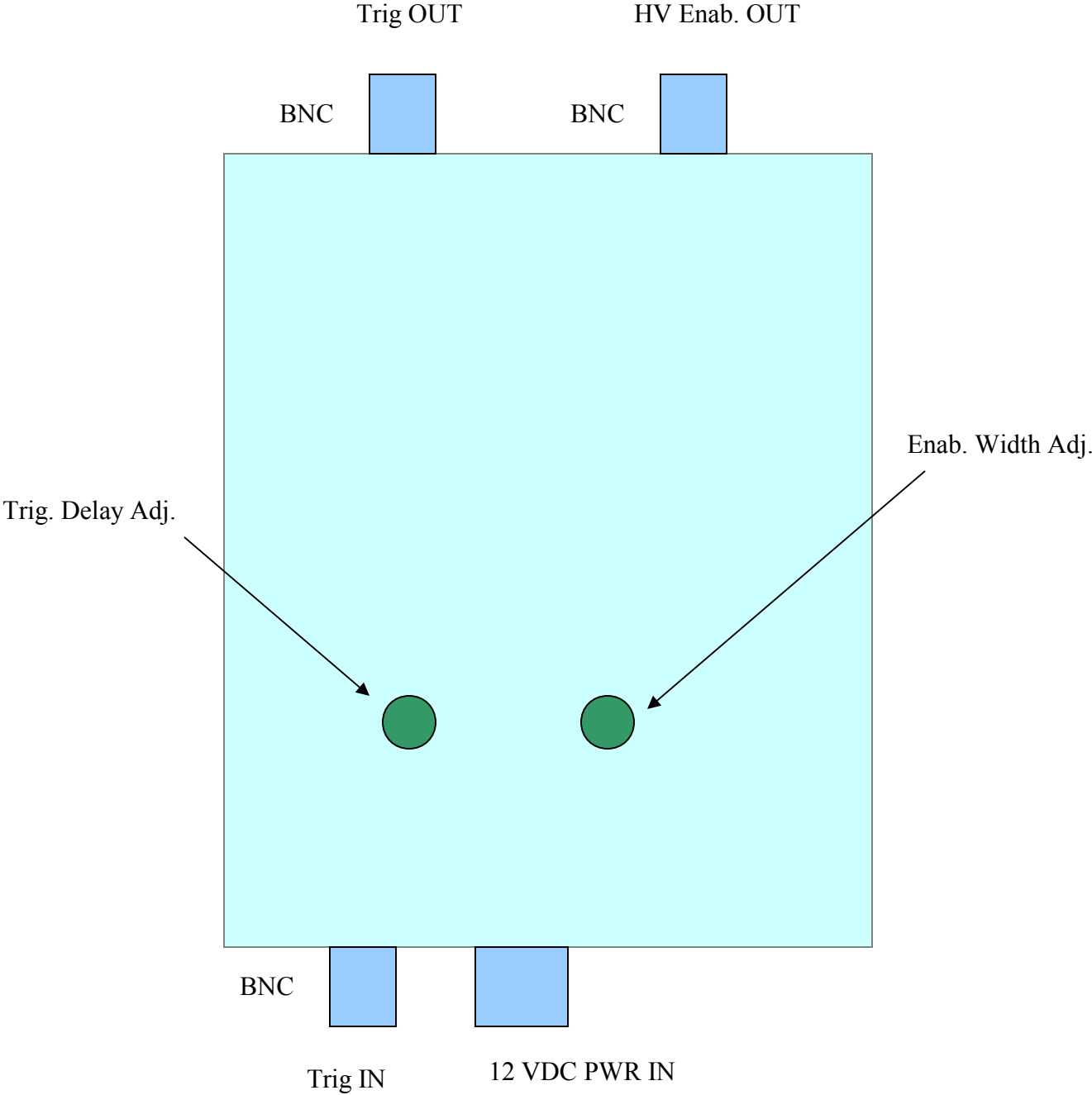
SCR Trig. Gen.



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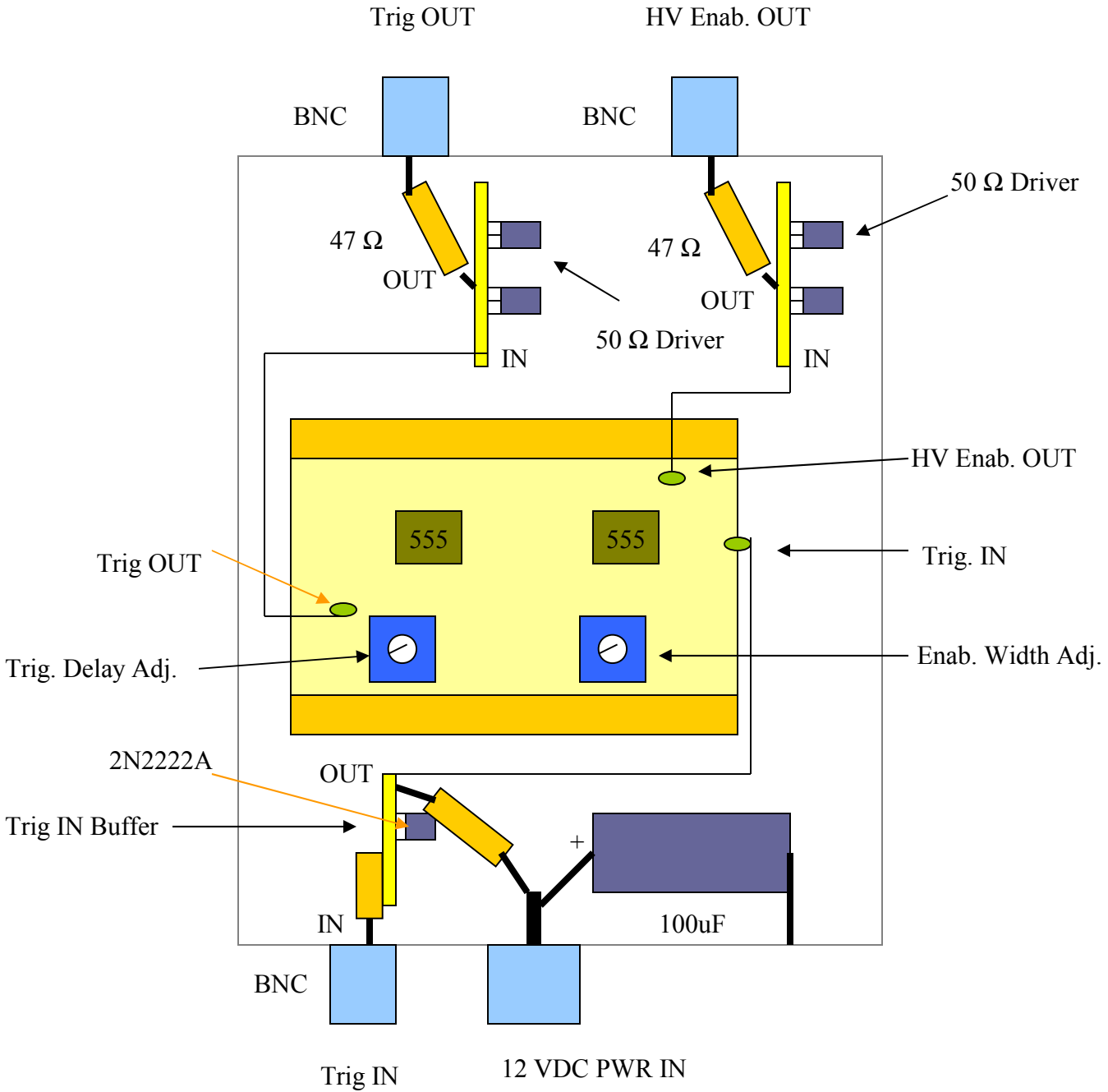
# Controller

Top View

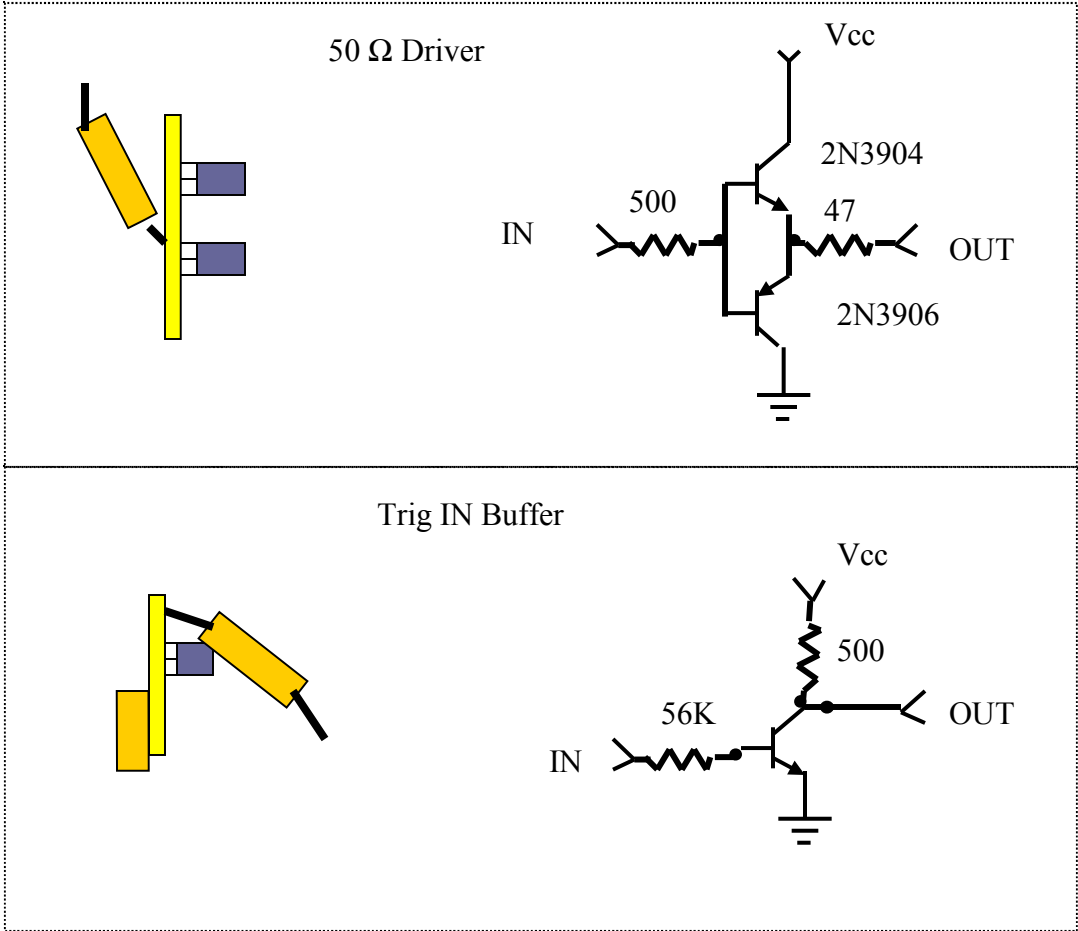


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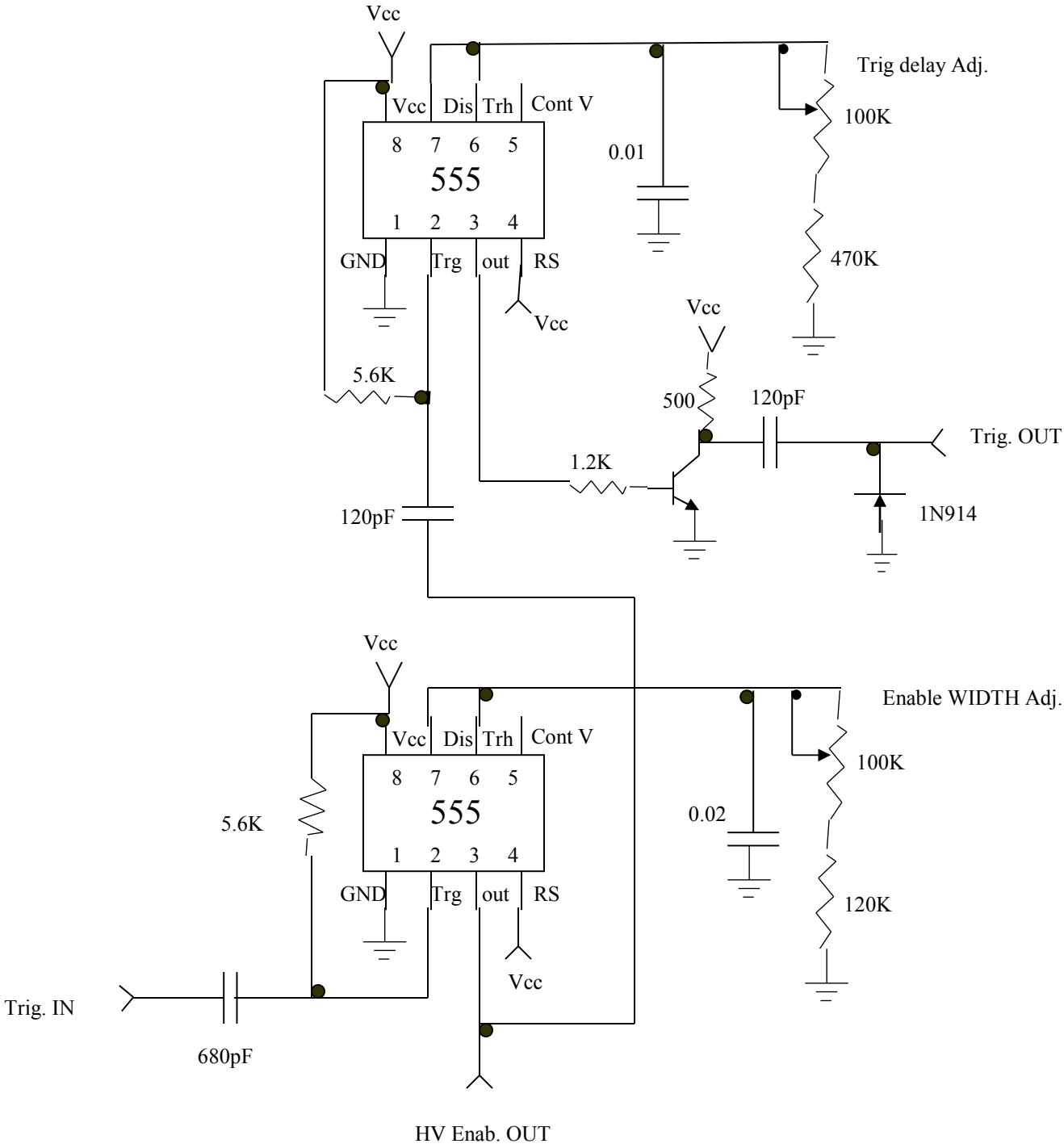
Top View / Inside



# Controller

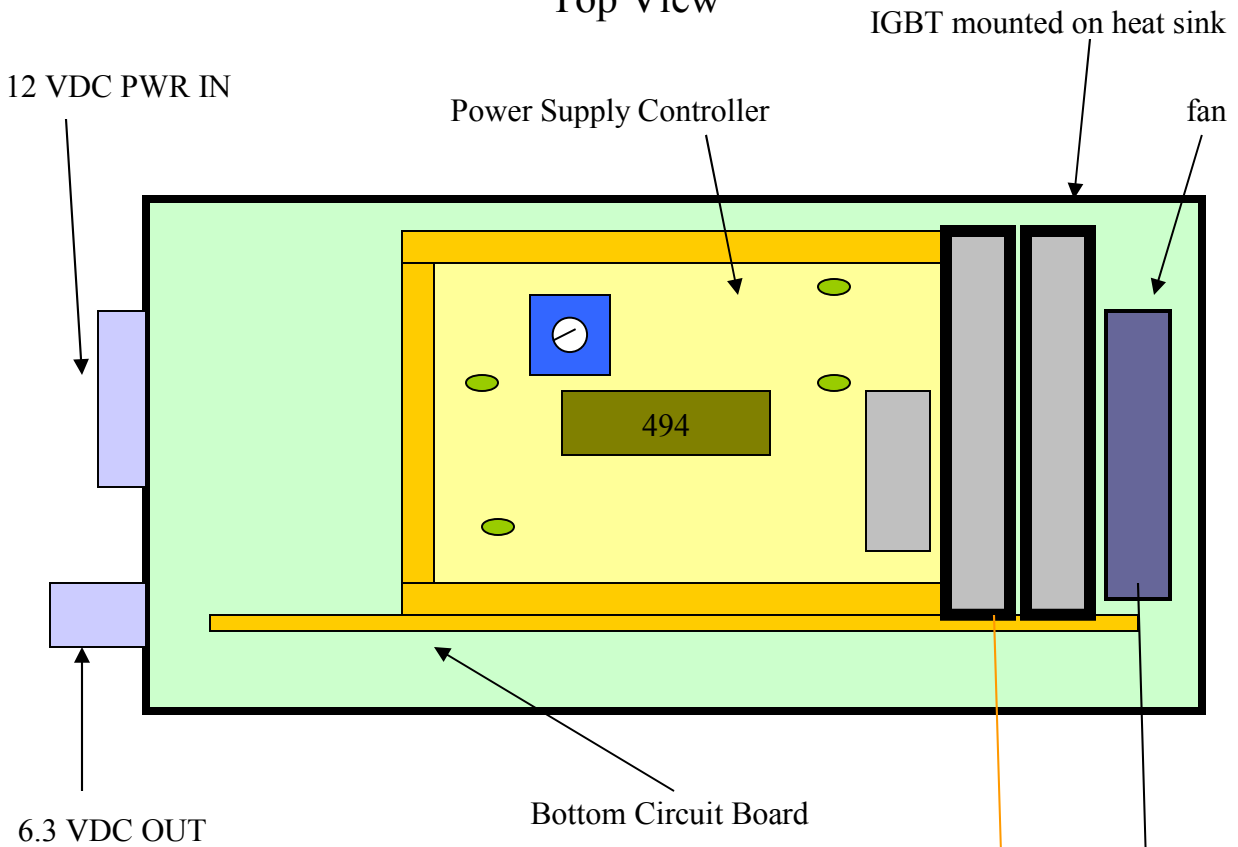


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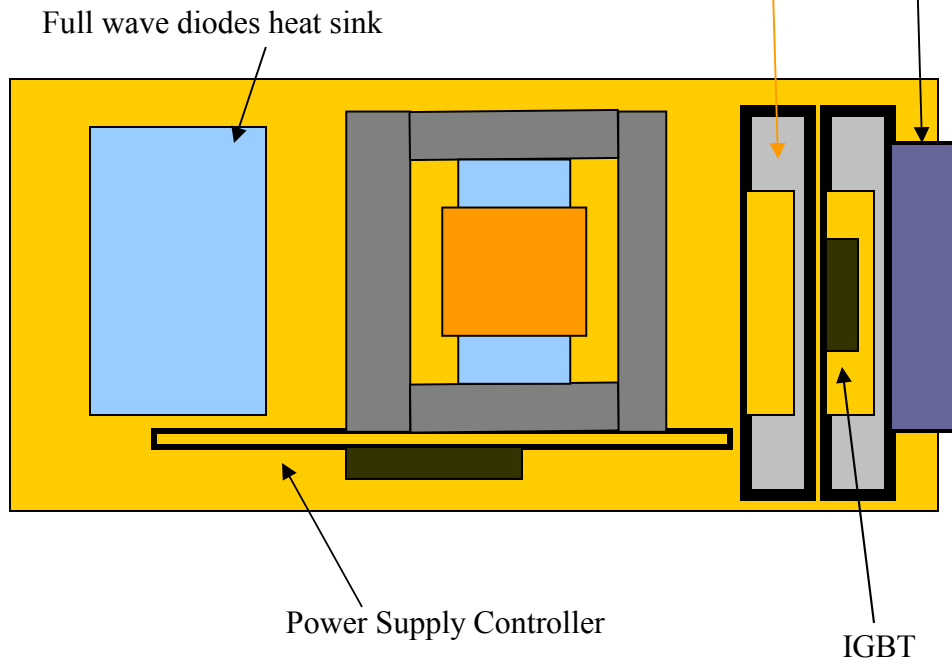


# 6.3 VDC magnetron switch mode PS

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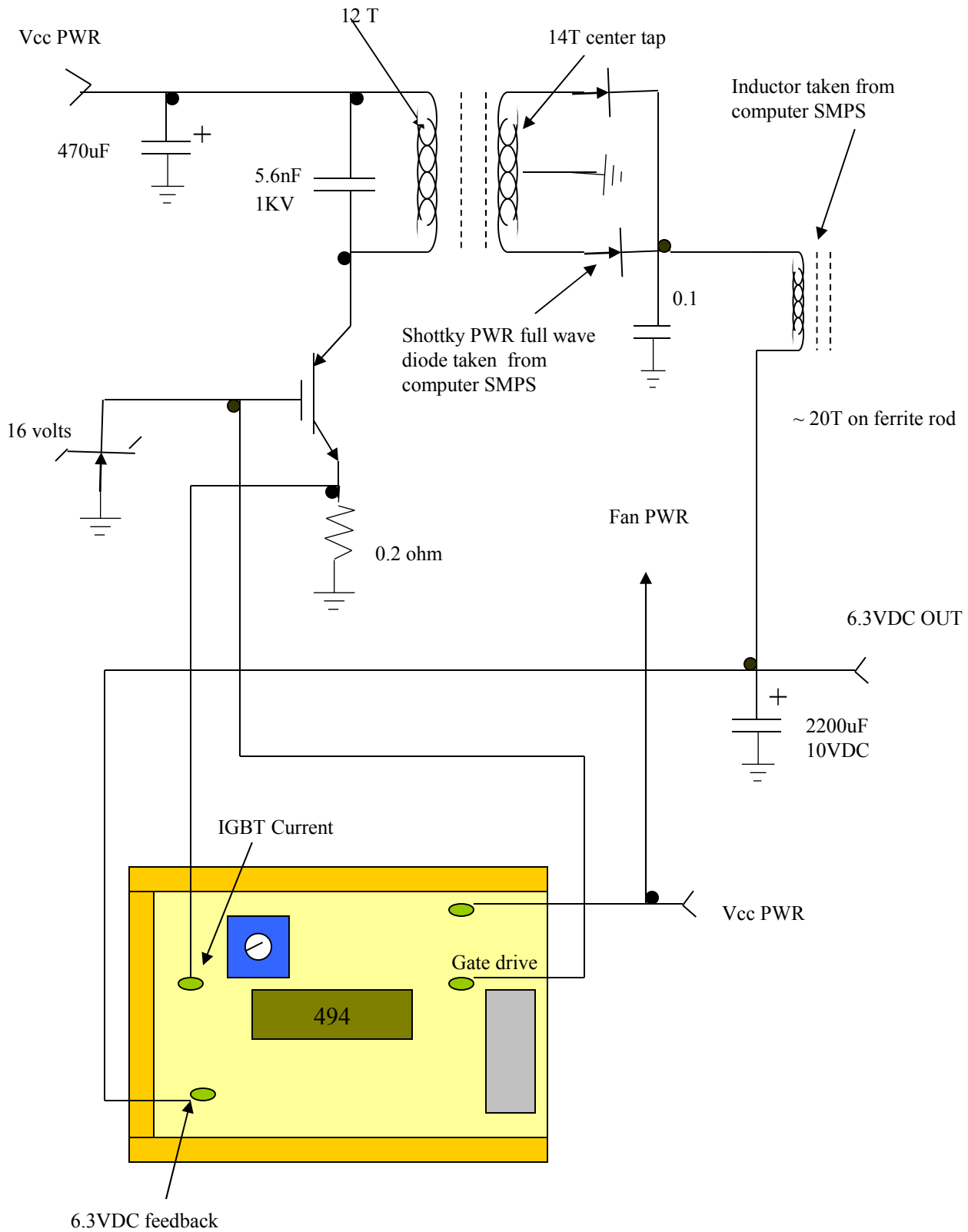


## Top View of Bottom Circuit Board





### 6.3 VDC magnetron switch mode PS



# SCR Trig. Driver

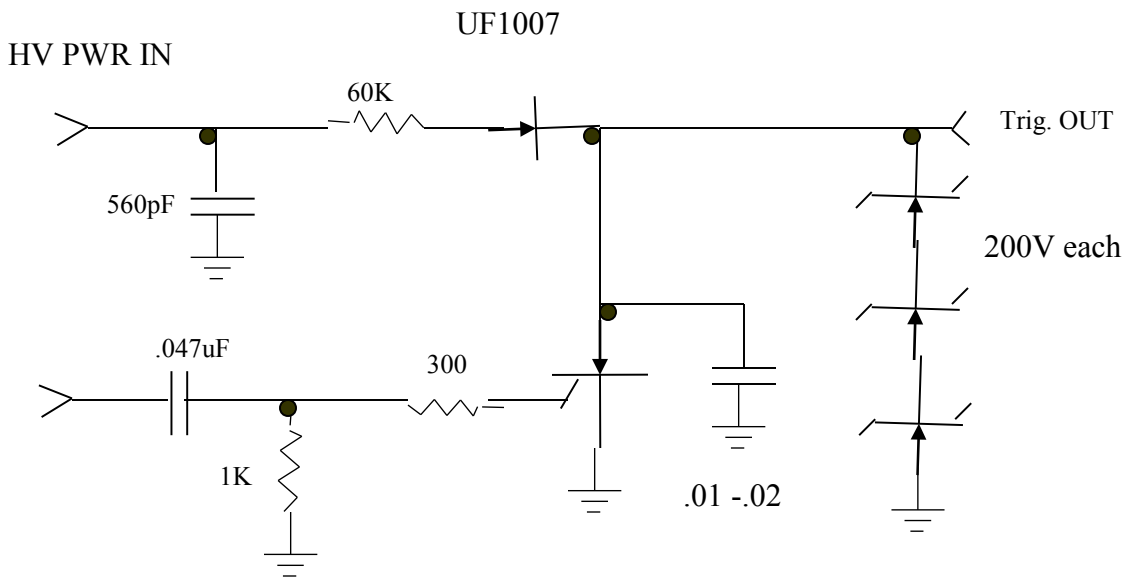
Top View

HV PWR

250 - 500VDC

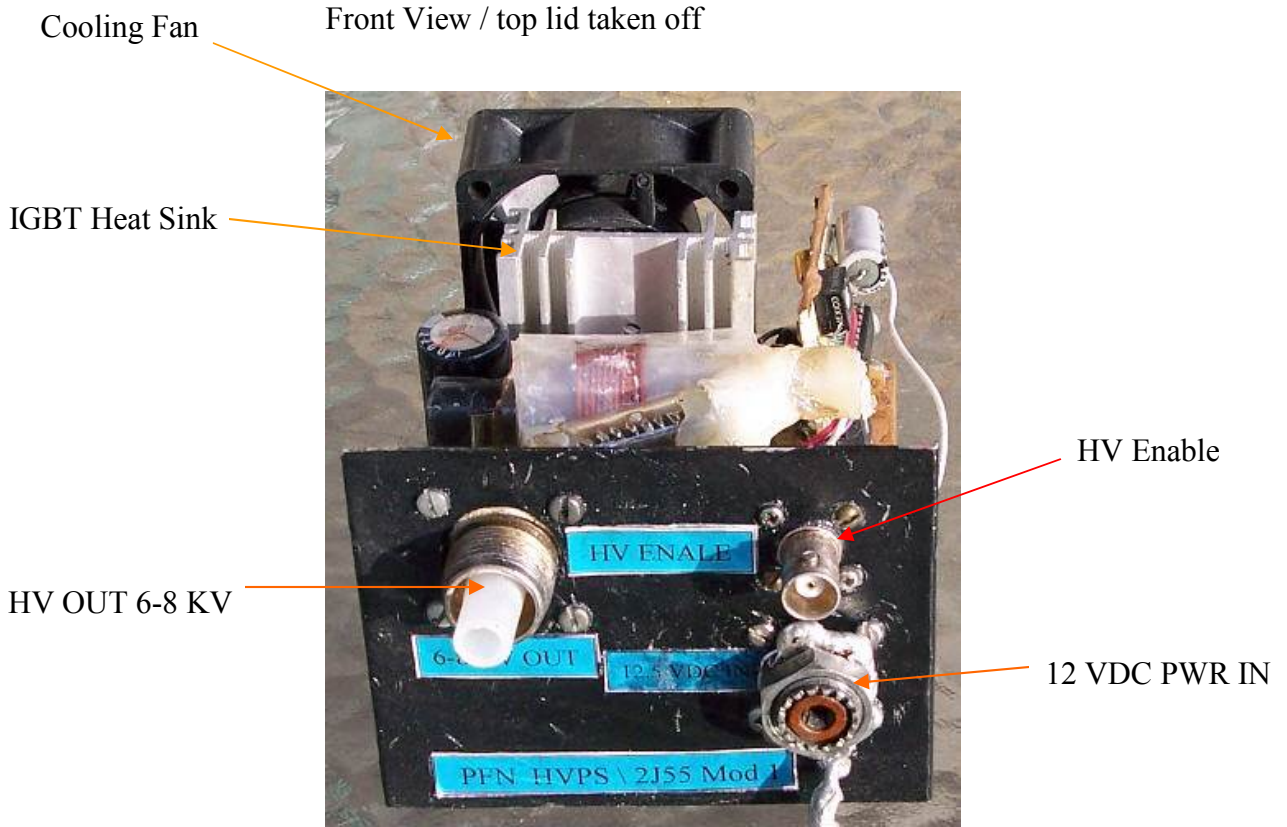
Trig. IN

Trig. Transformer  
Driver



## HV Power Supply

I have not been able to easily reverse engineer (lost my notes) the HV SMPS for the 1st 2J55 prototype ; some portions are my best guess , especially the HV transformer.



HV Power Supply

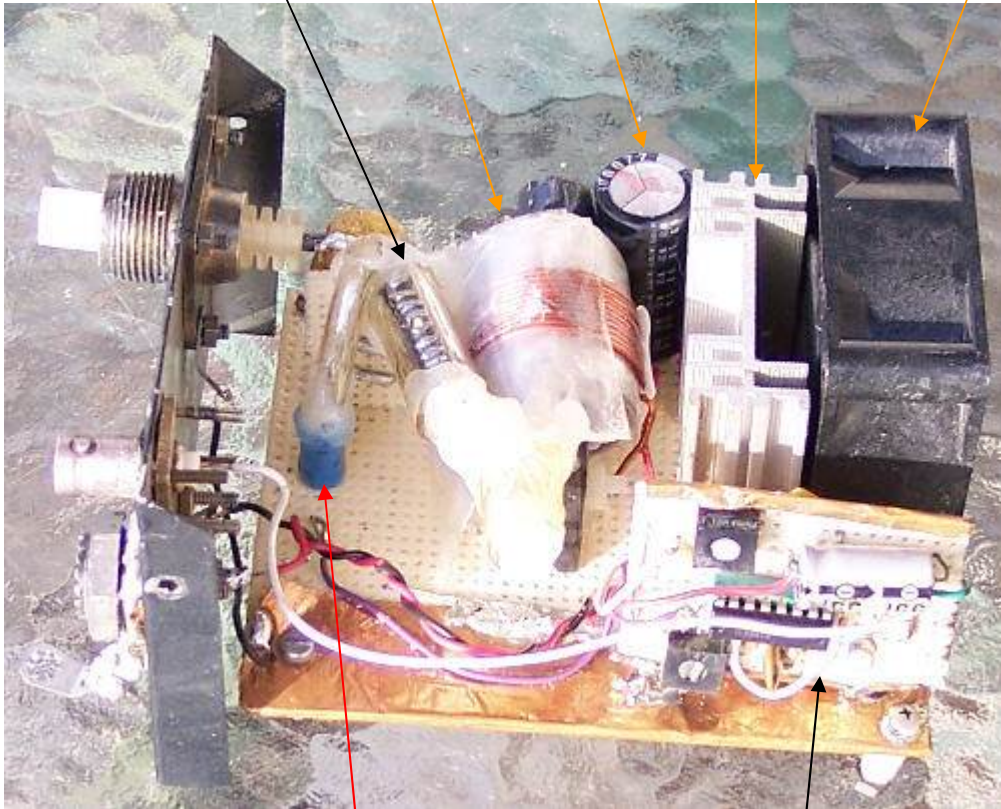
HV Transformer

20 X UF1007 diodes

2200uF

IGBT Heat Sink

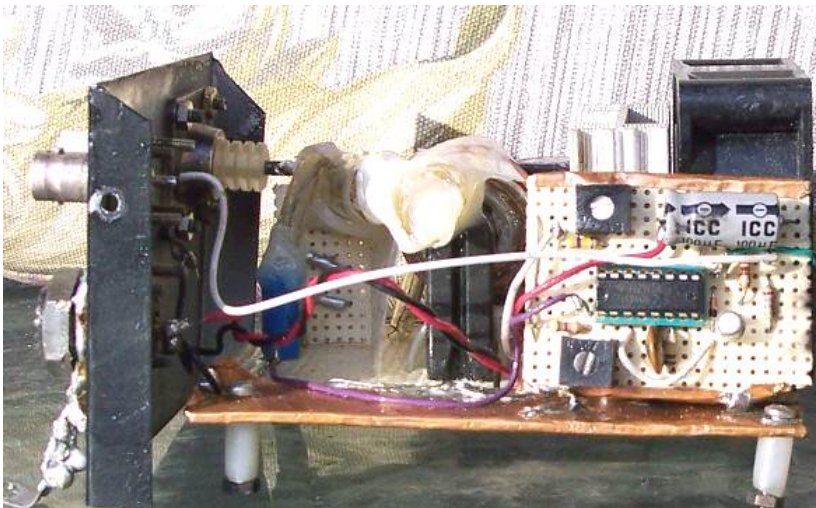
Cooling Fan



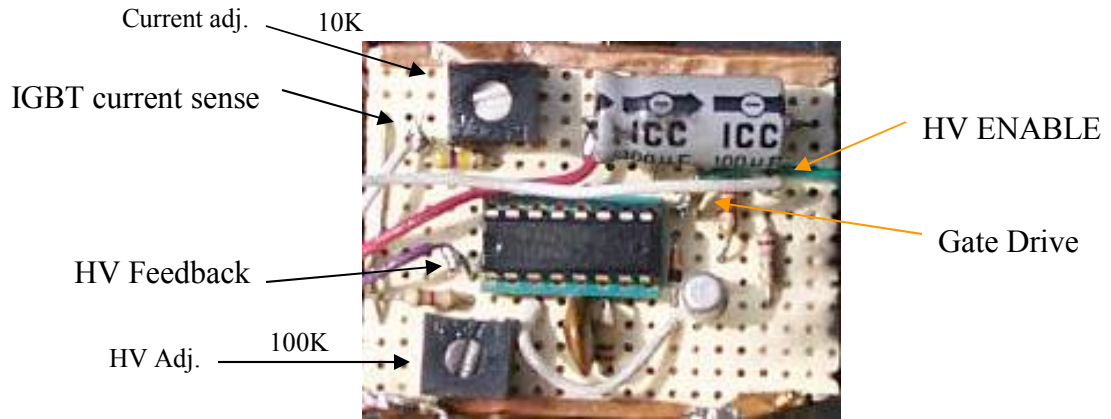
HV resistor / feedback

SMPS Controller

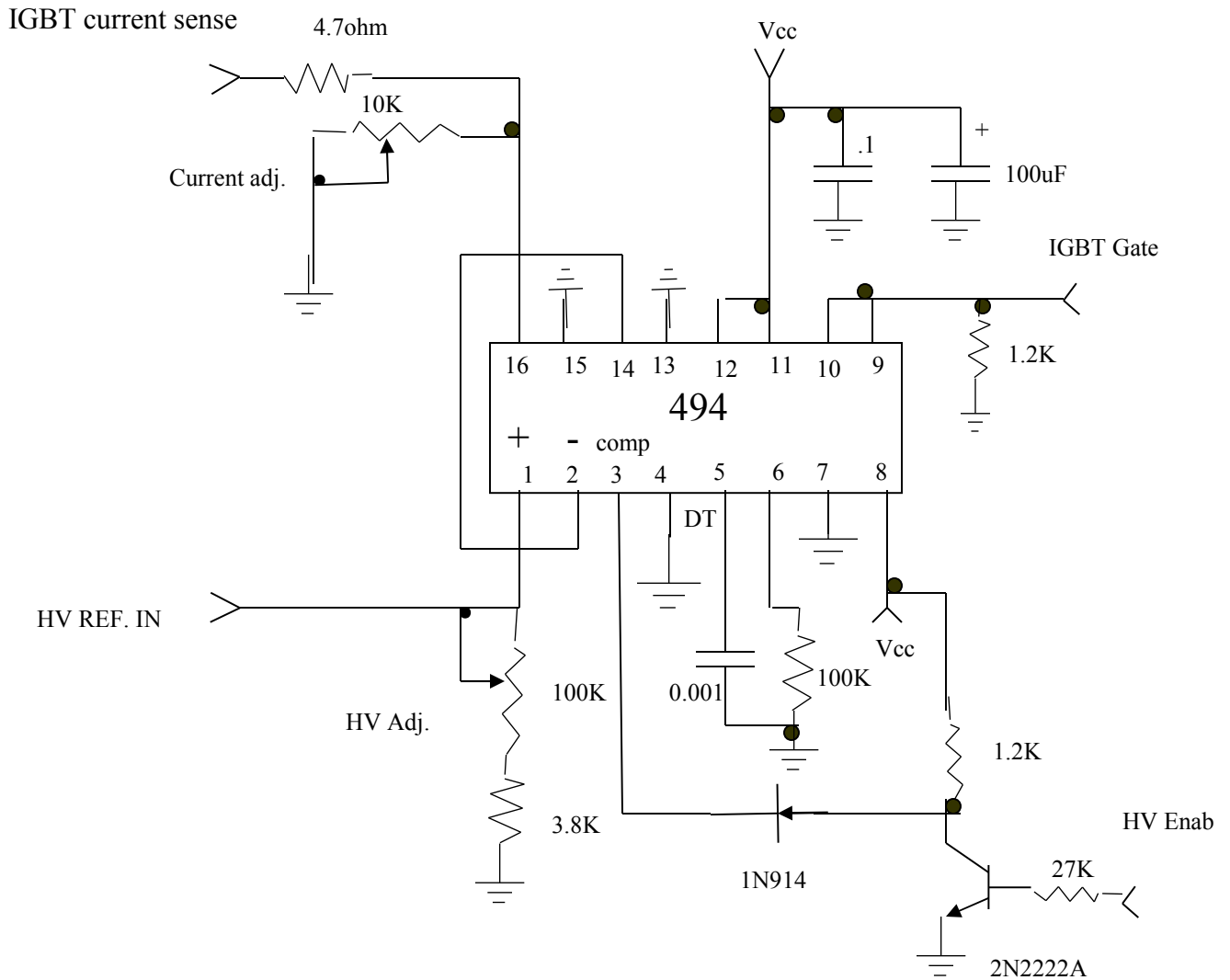
Side View showing controller board



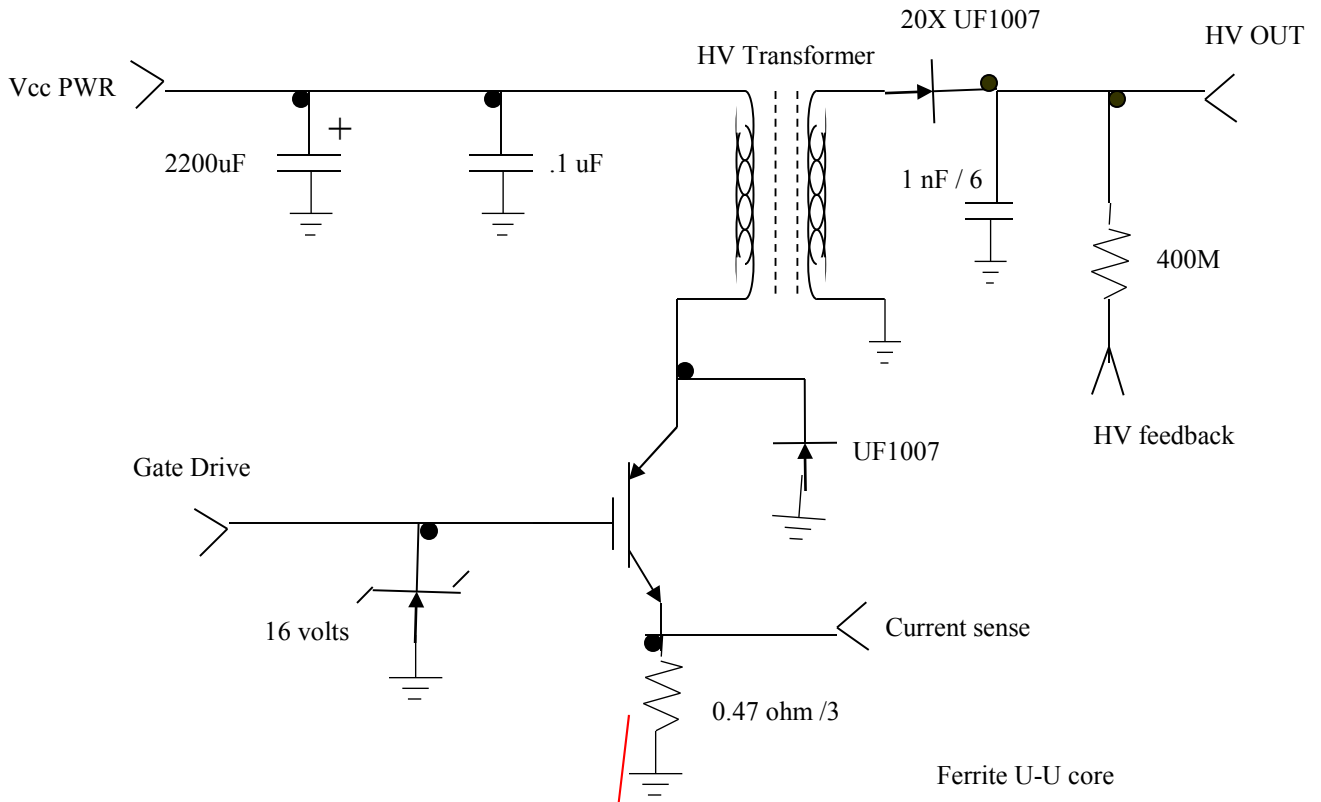
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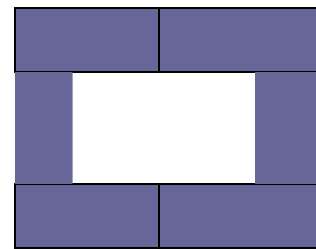
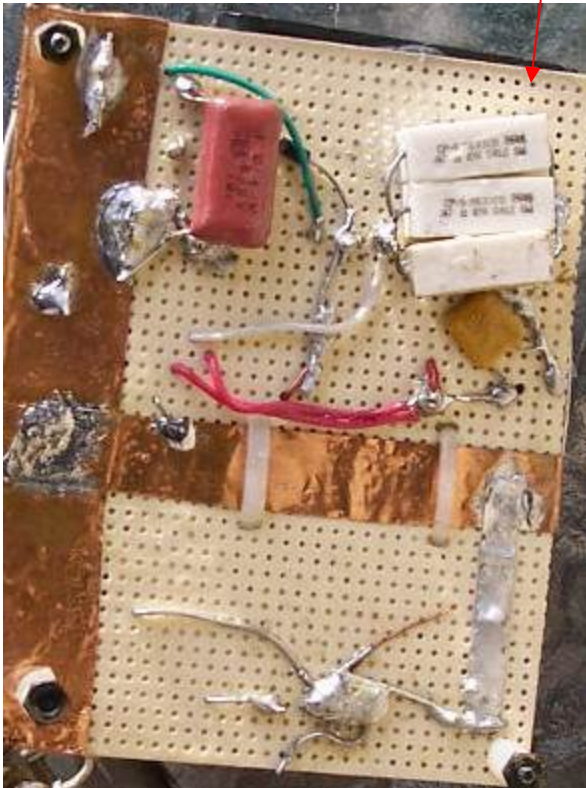
IGBT current Adj. Adj.



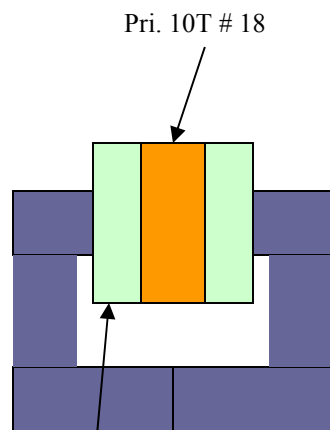
# HV Power Supply



Bottom View of Main Circuit Board



HV Transformer



Sec believed to be about 3500T # 32