

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

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ENTRY RULES

Entry Rules

- Every band must comprise of two members.
- You must have a name and a logo.
- Each band will be given one minute to perform.
- You must build at least 3 instruments.

Your Instruments

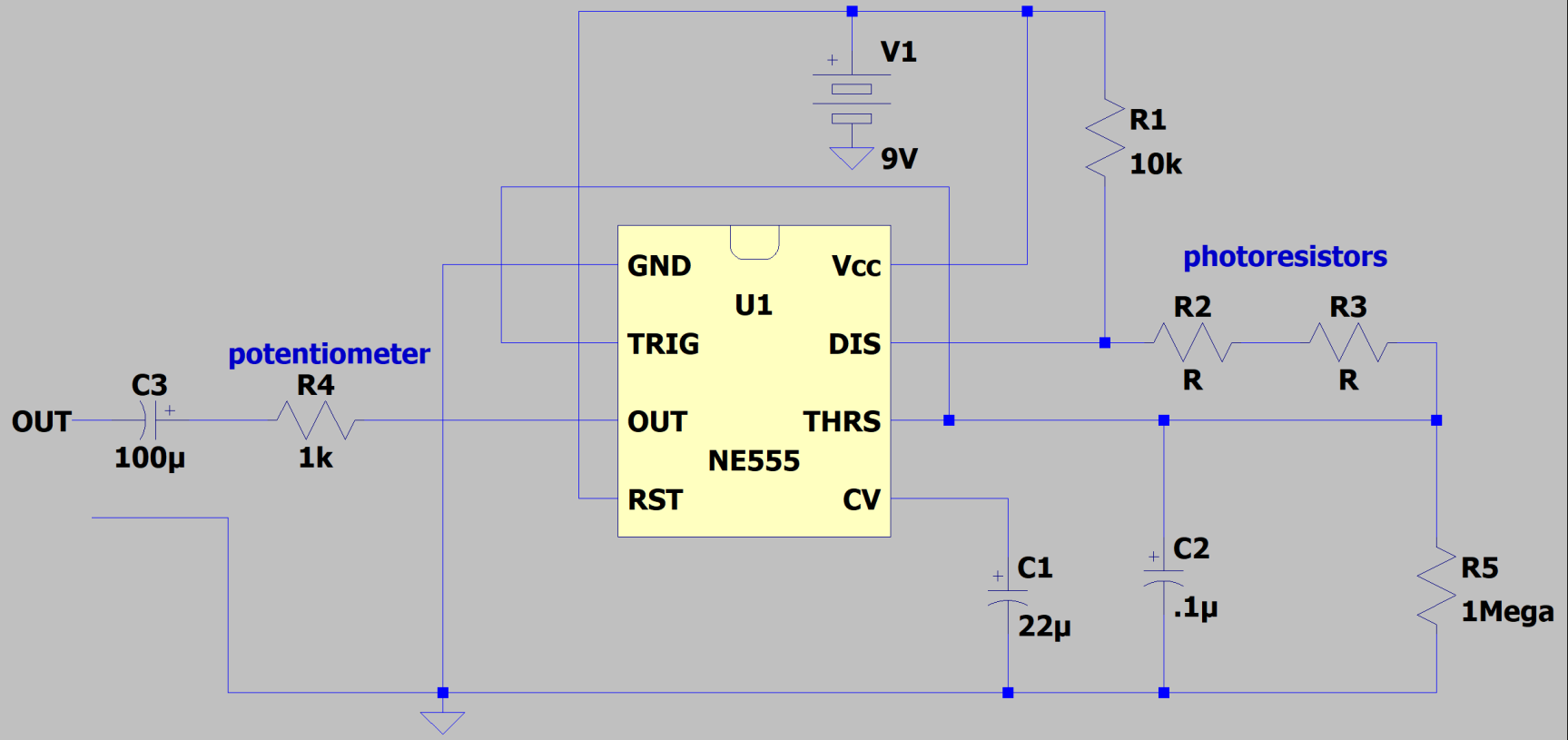
- Theremin
 - https://youtu.be/nE_sAnSkW-Q
- Atari Punk Console
 - <https://youtu.be/Oi3dmSMpjsU?t=240>
- Toy Organ

THEREMIN

Theremin

- Uses photoresistors to detect light to change the frequency of the RC circuit.
- How wide of a resistance range do you get?
- How many different frequencies can you get?
- Could you use other types of resistive components?
- Pressure sensors? Thermistors?

Theremin

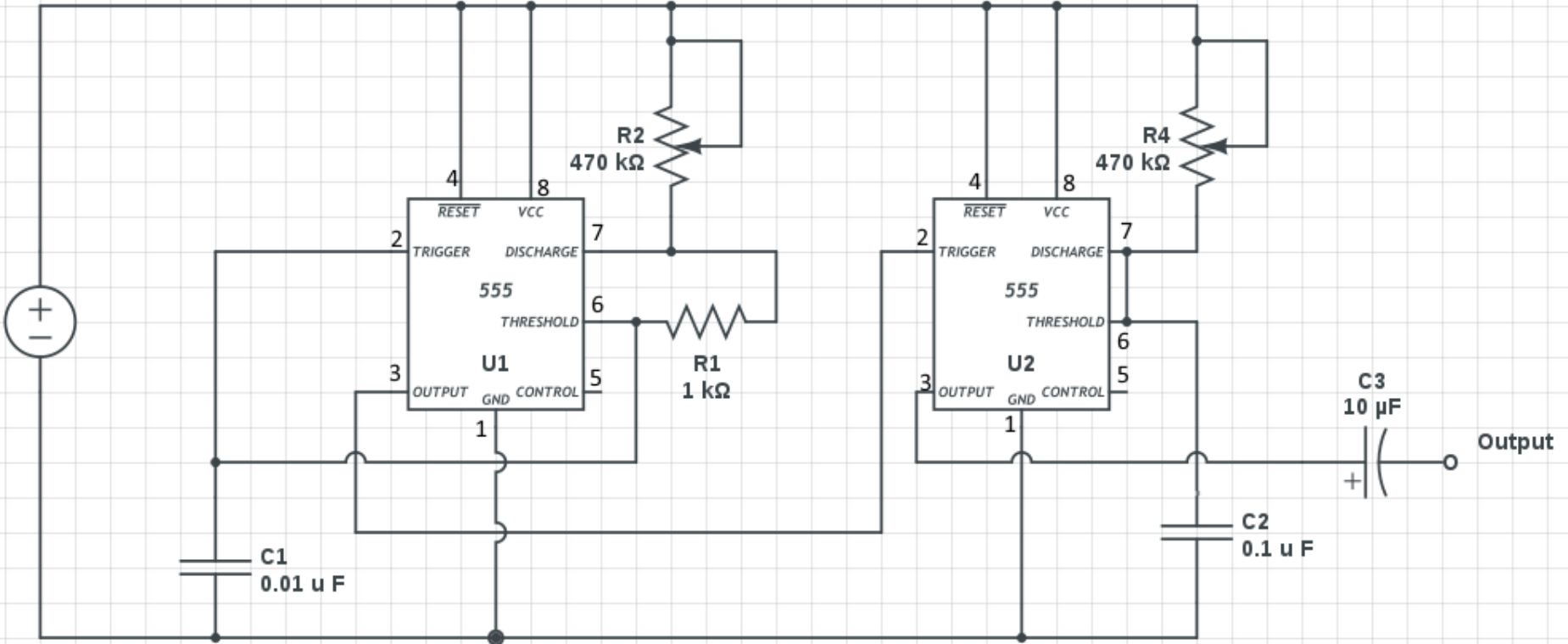


ATARI PUNK CONSOLE

Atari Punk Console

- Atari Punk console is an astable square wave oscillator driving a monostable oscillator that creates a single (square) pulse.
- Uses two 555 timers to generate these wave forms!
- There are two controls, one for the frequency of the oscillator and one to control the volume.
- The controls are usually potentiometers (can also be controlled by light, pressure, or temperature).
- Try it out!

Atari Punk Console

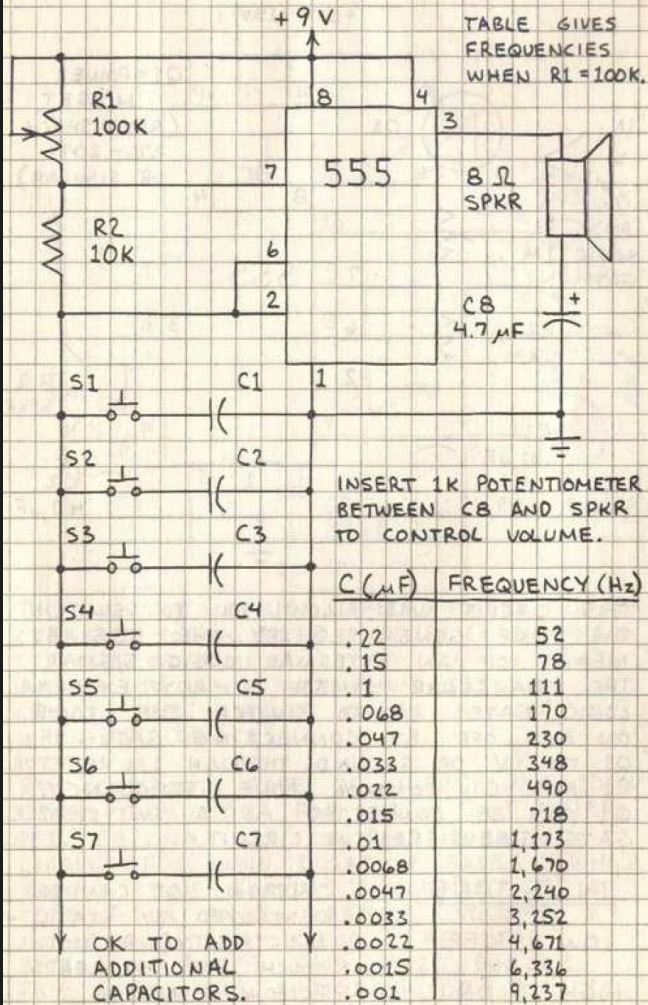


ORGAN

Toy Organ

- Has different switches to change the RC values and therefore the frequency of the tone.
- Can you calculate the frequencies?
- How many different frequencies are there?

TOY ORGAN



Could you have resistors for each switch instead?

ADDITIONAL NOTES

Tweak them!

- Use photoresistors or thermistors in place of potentiometers or vice versa!
- Change the frequencies by modifying the time constant (changing R/C values).

Criteria for winning battle of the band

- We will work together to determine the criteria.
- Every team will vote to determine the winner.

