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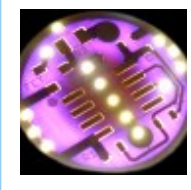
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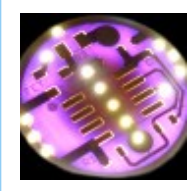
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**comfychair wrote:What about**

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What about this? (L/M/H/T – LTC1871 pins 6-10)

10 sense: 29kHz/890kHz/1.3MHz/1.3MHz

9 Vin: 1.45kHz/32kHz/656kHz/3.24MHz

8 INTVcc: n/a

7 gate: 45kHz/340kHz/657kHz/657kHz

6 gnd: n/a

This chip does not have a fixed freq. I would say that those freqs are changing in response to some other factor. While the LTC1871 does not have dimming, I currently have no idea whether or how the LTC1871 is being used to reduce the output current for lower modes.

Let's do some more voltages on the LTC1871. (boring, I know) I'd probably just do two modes, we just need to see what's changing and what's not.

Ith (Pin 2) – I'm totally having trouble understanding this pin. The second paragraph on page 8 of the datasheet is throwing me for a loop.

FB (Pin 3) should be 1.230v all the time [this one should just be a sanity check 😊 ]

Freq (Pin 4) nominal is 0.6v, but taking this closer to ground changes the

frequency...

Pin 5 – is this connected to Pin 6 (GND), Pin 8 (INTVcc) or something else?

Pin 10 – is this connected to one of the FETs?

I know there's only so much you can do, but better lit pictures would be great. Very diffuse lighting to cut down on the shadows.

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All 3 of those pins clearly connect to the "Base" pin of corresponding transistors, according to your markings in that colored-in picture you did. What happens after that is less clear. Maybe tracking things down that way would be easier than guessing based on voltages at the LTC1871.

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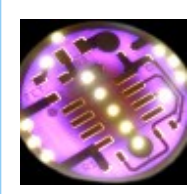
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**1 RUN B+ in all modes2 lth**

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2 lth 1.52mV/226mV/380mV/.754V  
3 FB 1.247V/1.234V/1.250V/1.289V  
4 FREQ .623V/.627V/.639V/.680V  
5 M/S 5.17V/5.19V/5.21V/5.26V

AO4468 gate:

24mV/.739V/1.791V/2.375V  
58khz/696k/657k/657k

9426 gate: B+/0Hz in all modes

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Correct.

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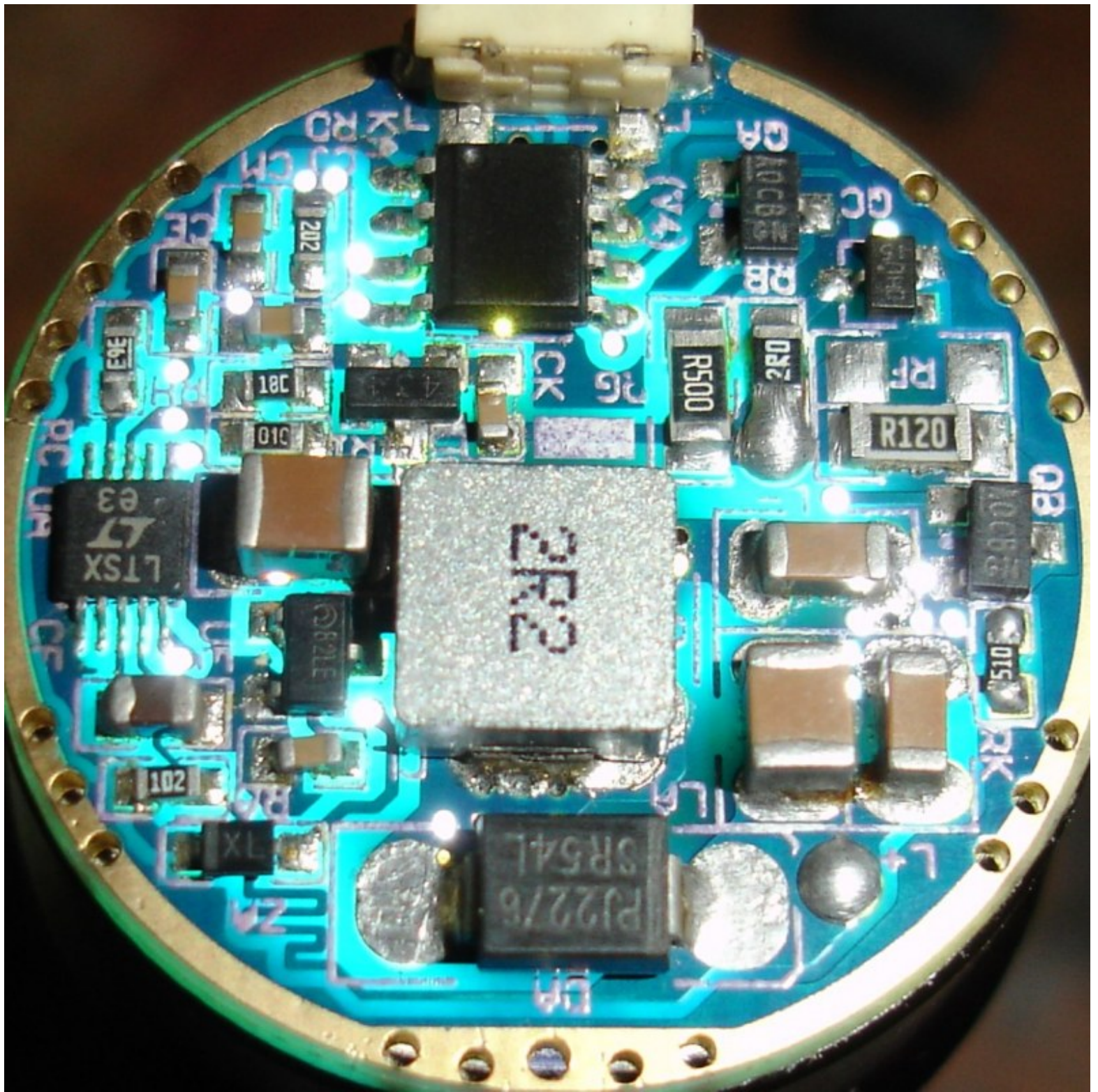
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edit: Resized/aligned images and turned it into a mouseover:





So what you're wondering is, is it just using a different resistor for each mode? Wouldn't that be a terribly weird way of doing it? Although I guess that would explain why there's also no detectable PWM at the LED+/-...

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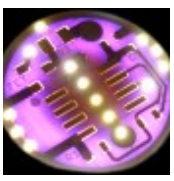
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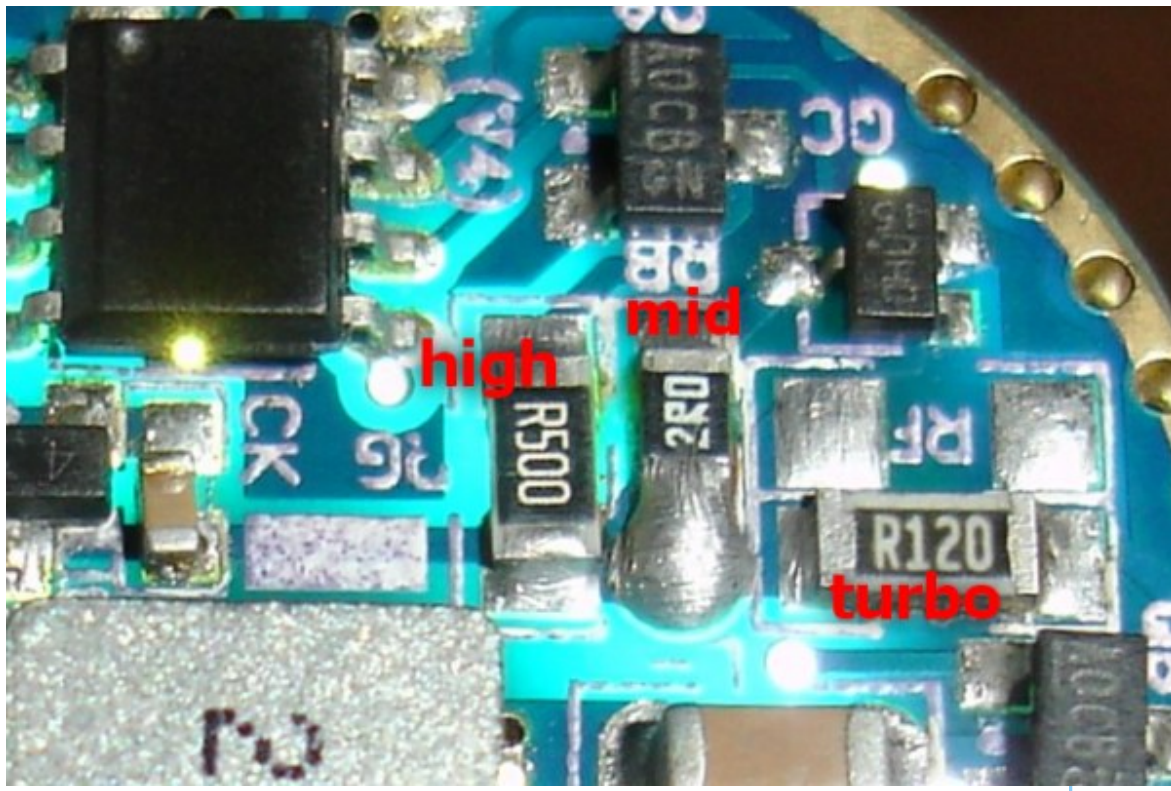
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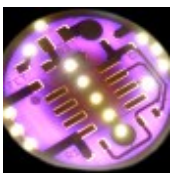
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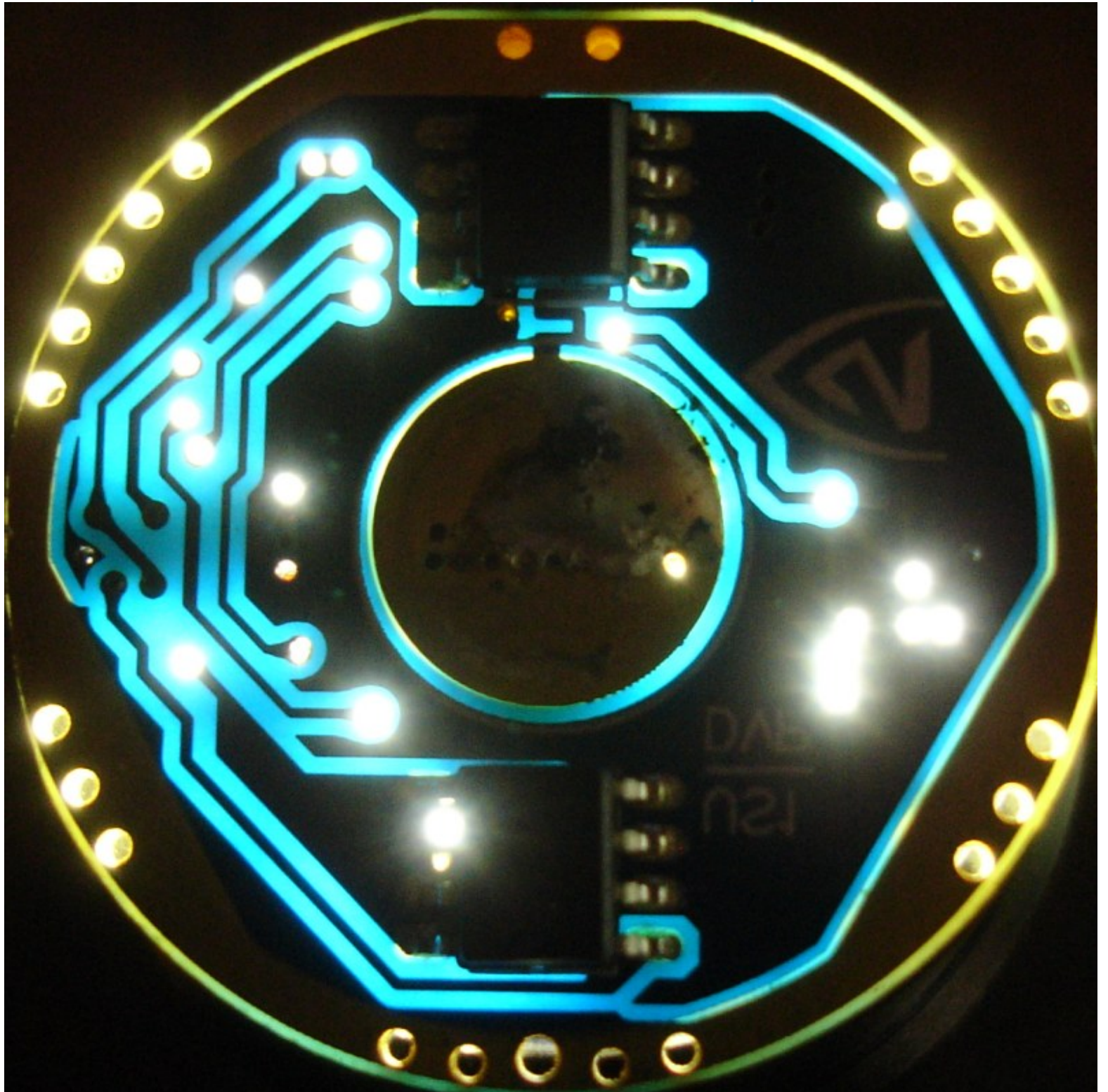
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#### And a mirrored x-ray of the

And a mirrored x-ray of the battery side, so the vias line up with the topside pic (most of them, anyway - what's going on under the LTC1871 is still a mystery).





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TRIPLE/SRK\_no\_ramp\_1.0\_\_DQ...

- Fixed SWITCH\_PIN setup.
- Fixed MODEx\_PIN issues.
- Moved function declaration to remove warnings.

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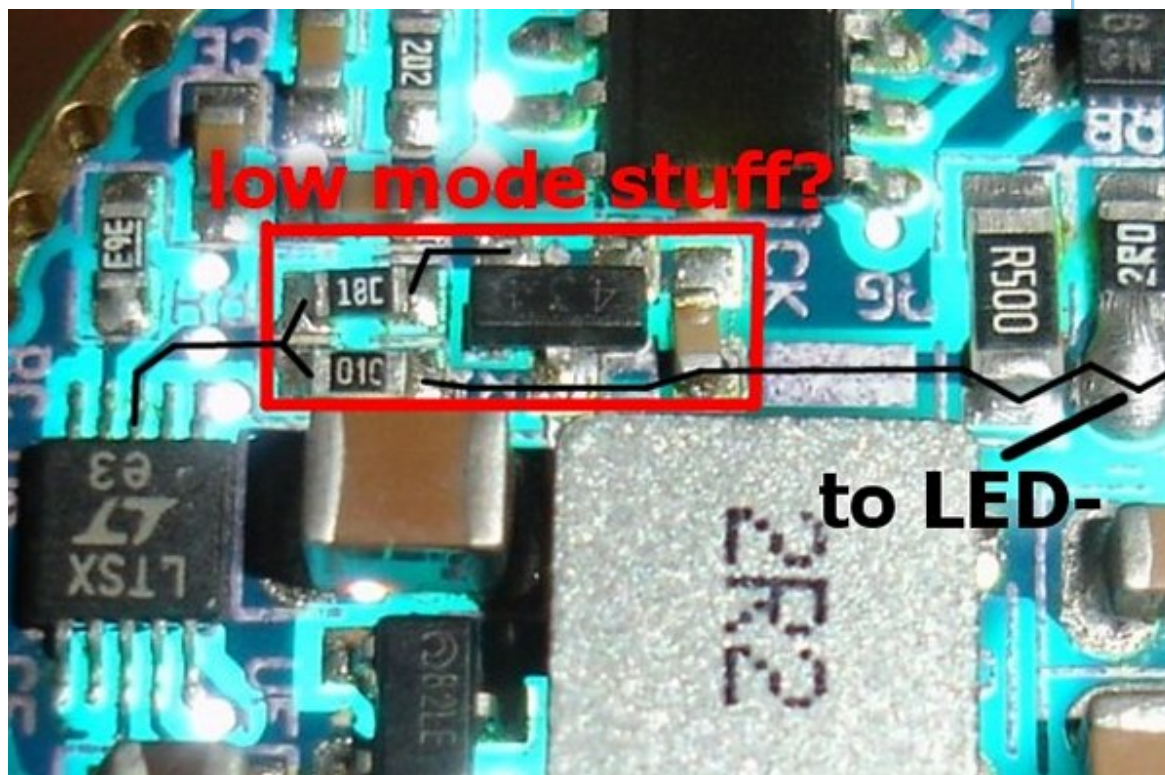
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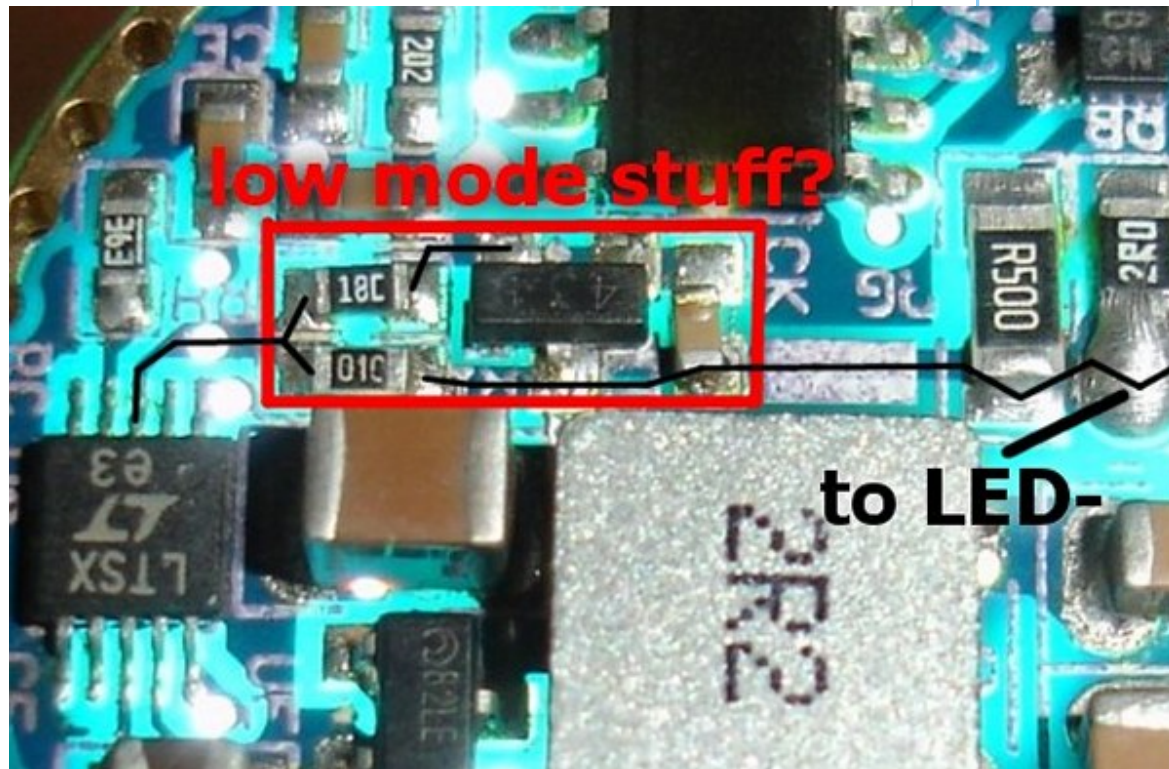
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Resistors like R120 and R500 are definitely *sense* resistors, not *limiting* resistors.

You may be able to directly measure the resistance of those two resistors you've got in the red box. What does that show? I'd measure both directions on each. I'm not sure how the transistor (or whatever) & capacitor there affect the operation of that section.

Basically the whole board could be "low mode stuff" since low mode is just a baseline and all the other modes are higher. Almost any of the small components could be involved with setting the baseline current and voltage... But yeah, that section is a suspect.

Your latest pictures show that there should be a break in the green line in your colored-in pic. Each of the sense resistors connects (through a dedicated transistor) to the big copper pour on the back which attaches to the FETs.

Due to the camera orientation, I cannot see where the via between the big cap and the red box you drew connects.

Immediately to the left of your red box there is a via, this appears to head down to the diode marked XL, through a resistor, and then on to Vin (Pin 9). I don't think that's what's really happening, that's just what I see.

Personally I am much less interested in this driver board now that I realize that it does not use a dedicated LED controller. It is very complicated for what it achieves.

FWIW, the FB pin is for setting voltage, SENSE pin is for setting current. I think.



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**Is there a path between LED-**

Is there a path between LED- and the big copper pour on the back of the board when:

- the light is off
- the light is in low mode?

obviously there's a path for M/H/T

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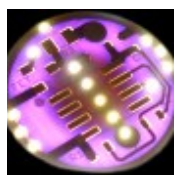
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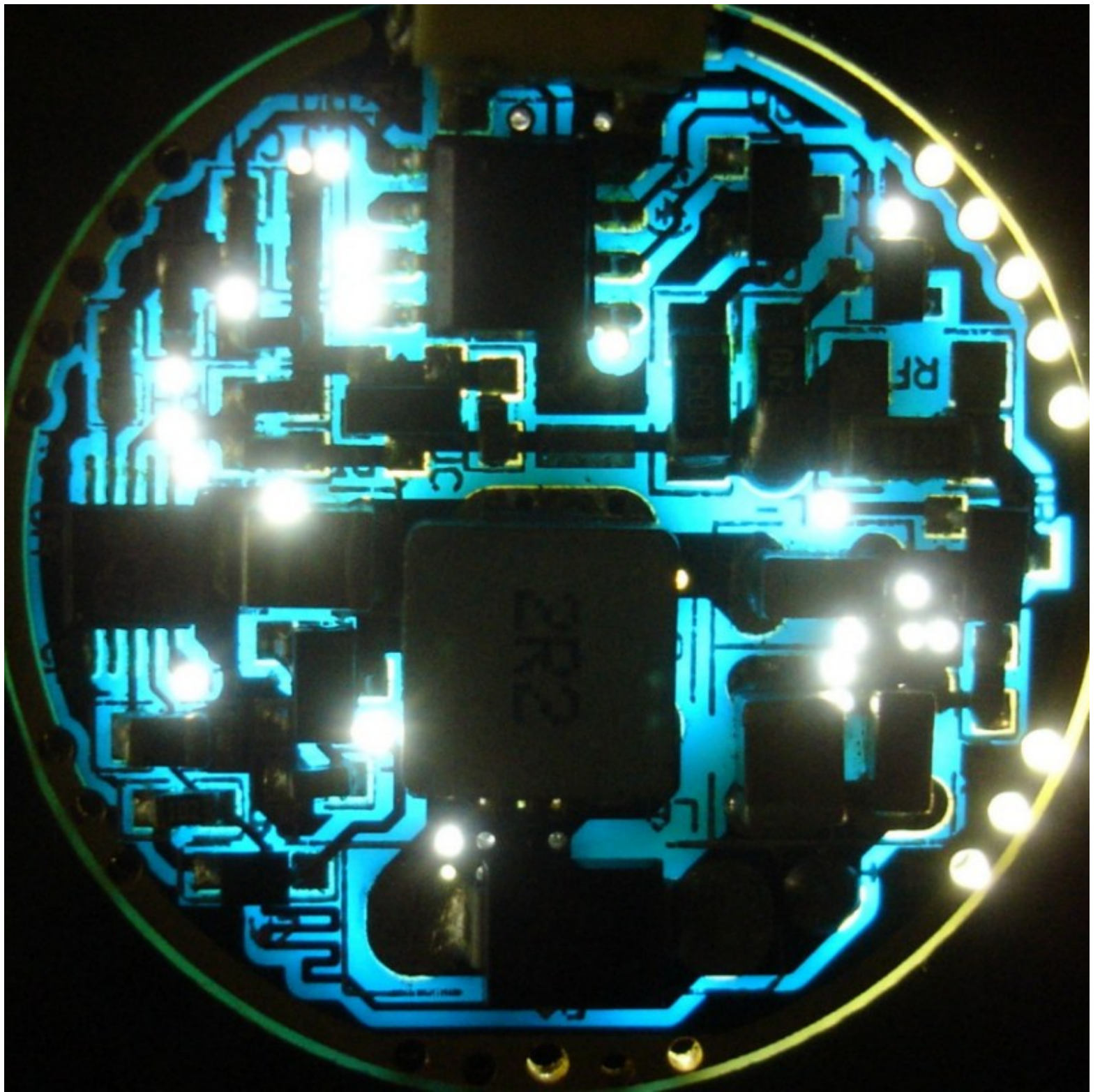
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Anyway, I'm about certain there's not enough room in the light to fit a piggyback board on top to hold the attiny - depth in the head is only 5.8mm off the top surface of the original driver, and the inductor takes up 3mm of that already. The only workaround I can think of at the moment is something like gluing the attiny upside-down onto the board where the original MCU is and use jumper wires to route the legs to the right pads. 😞

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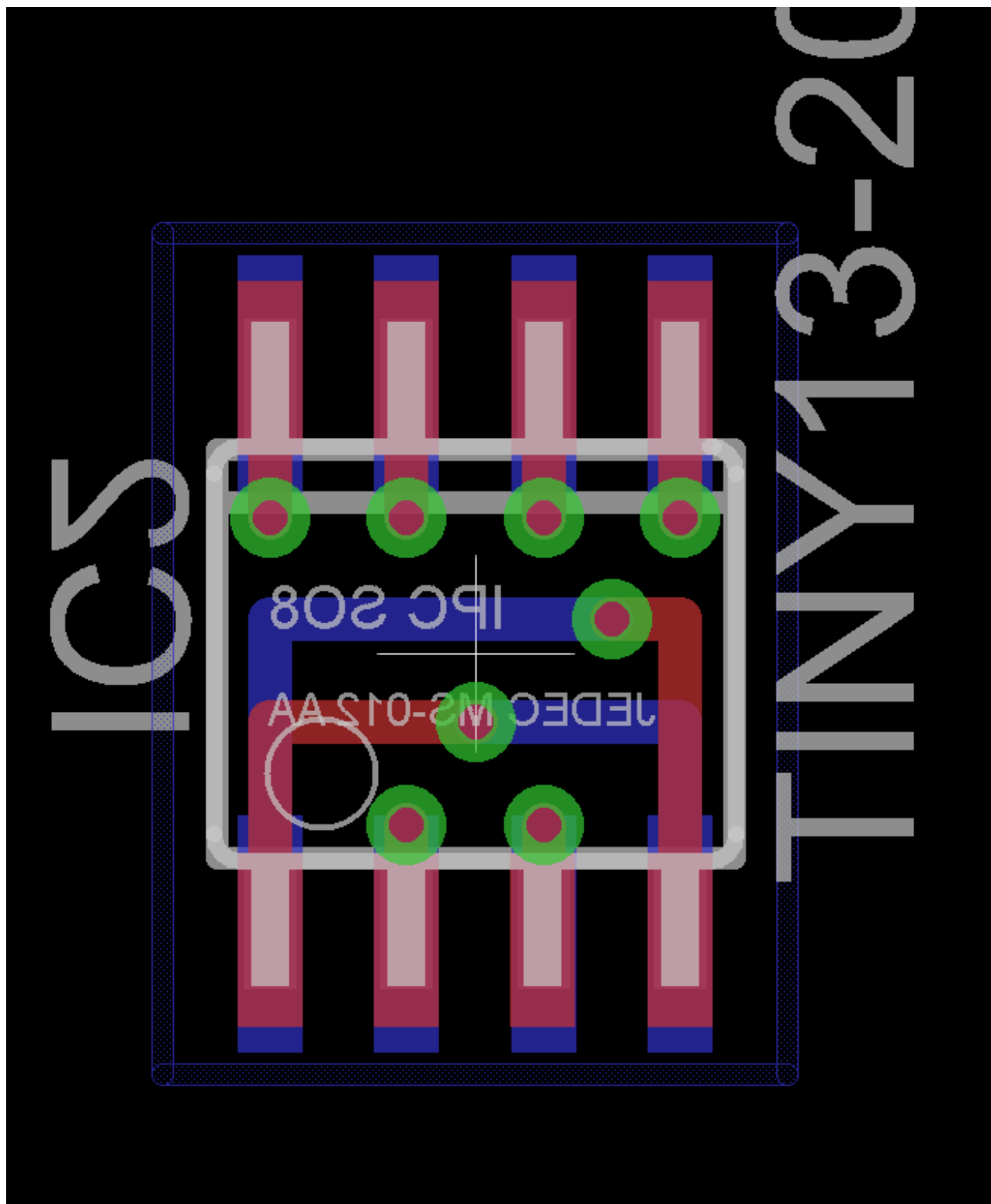
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So as to this stuff...

My bad on sense-vs-limit. Now that I think about it I'm *not* certain that they aren't limiting resistors. At this point I could go either way, without a schematic it's hard to guess. Gotta figure out what's hooked up to the

SENSE pin to know for sure. This thing can do a weird sensing setup as well as a more normal one. I'm not certain they aren't used for sensing, but I'm leaning towards you being correct.

Thanks for the clarification on that path, I see it now. The LH side of that cap is a ground of some type, even if it's not real GND. The medium sized cap you mentioned hooks up to INTVcc (pin8), so it must be a smoothing cap for that. (Therefore the other side, which connects to the big cap, is ground).

Is the mode separation as good with the MT-G2 as it is with a triple?

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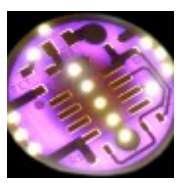
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**Just from memory, I think the**

Just from memory, I think the output currents were something like just a few mA in low, .25A in M, 1A in H, and 1.5A turbo. Of course now we know what they do, those levels can be adjusted with different resistors. I don't know how that compares to when it's running the 3S XPG2s, though.

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**Posts:** 4180

**Location:** Virginia, USA

**Sorry, now I forgot what I**

Sorry, now I forgot what I planned to learn from that. 😞

Anyway I went ahead and put an outline on that adapter PCB and uploaded it to Oshpark. It has to be slightly large in order to meet minimum size restrictions, you can file it down.

[http://oshpark.com/shared\\_projects/WTkGjCqt](http://oshpark.com/shared_projects/WTkGjCqt) EDIT: see post #57

I also thought about putting a via through the middle of each pin. You'd need to file up to halfway through the via, but it would make the board easier to hand solder.

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**zeremefico**



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Those are FET's, not MCU's. They are just in the SO8 package.  
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lucky, you burned the one we know about.

Digikey has it in stock:

<http://www.digikey.com/product-detail/en/AO4468/785-1038-1-ND/1855980>

eBay is probably much cheaper for you, luckily there are plenty on there:

[http://www.ebay.com/sch/i.html?\\_trksid=p2050601.m570.l1313.TR11.TRC1.A0....](http://www.ebay.com/sch/i.html?_trksid=p2050601.m570.l1313.TR11.TRC1.A0....)

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Possibly, but I don't think it's a good idea. 11A is 30-35W from a single  
26650. 11A looks like it's pretty rough on a KK.

We don't really understand how this driver works. Swapping FETs could  
cause big problems. That said, maybe a PowerPAK SO8 style FET would  
be a good choice. For example, the [SIR462DP](#) can handle more current  
and has much lower RDS(on) figures than the stock FET. You'd have to  
take a look at what is under the FET and make sure that you weren't  
bridging anything. I wouldn't do it.

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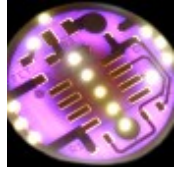
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Yeah, don't bridge the resistor 😊

My comments on replacing the FET were not intended to facilitate bridging the resistor, just decreasing the resistance. It's still not a great idea either way, as I mentioned.

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I got confused when making these adapters. Do not use them, they are clearly wired wrong. I knew better than to do this and did it anyway – oops. I'll re-attack the problem and get it right next time.

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**OK, v04 -> v06. Now the**

OK, v04 -> v06. Now the adapters should be functional, but after that last mistake I wouldn't trust me if I were you.

I didn't bother to keep track of what order the pins are in now compared to where I **thought** they were with the previous version of this adapter. They are in the order that was easiest for me to route while still making GND and VCC connections. So the firmware I posted above (and never tested of course 😊 ) may need some tweaks to work with this board. Pins 2, 3, 5, 6, & 7 are all straight through. Pin #1 on the ATtiny (PB5) goes to the location of Pin #4 on the PIC (GP3).

[https://oshpark.com/shared\\_projects/n7bBCqsn](https://oshpark.com/shared_projects/n7bBCqsn)

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**Location:** Virginia,  
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**I think there is no interest**

I think there is no interest in running STAR on this light using the stock levels, but for the record I think the latest firmware I posted has an error. It looks like I forgot to set "RUN\_PIN" to output along with the MODE\_X pins.

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**nofearek9**



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**its nice that you can tune**

its nice that you can tune each mode separate ,if you glue a small piece of copper on top of the chips zeremefico exploted might solve the problem?



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