

Circuit Sculptures

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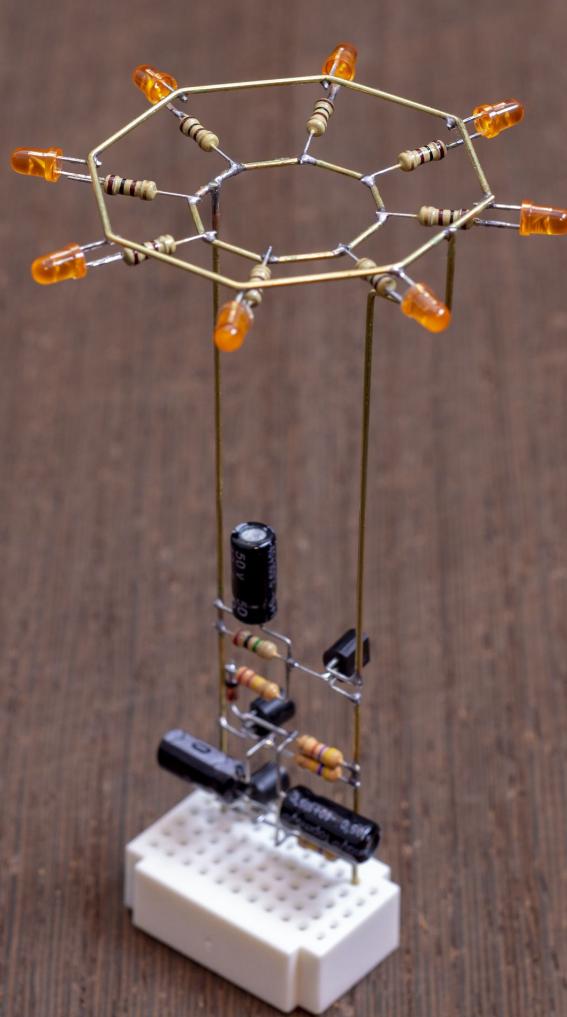
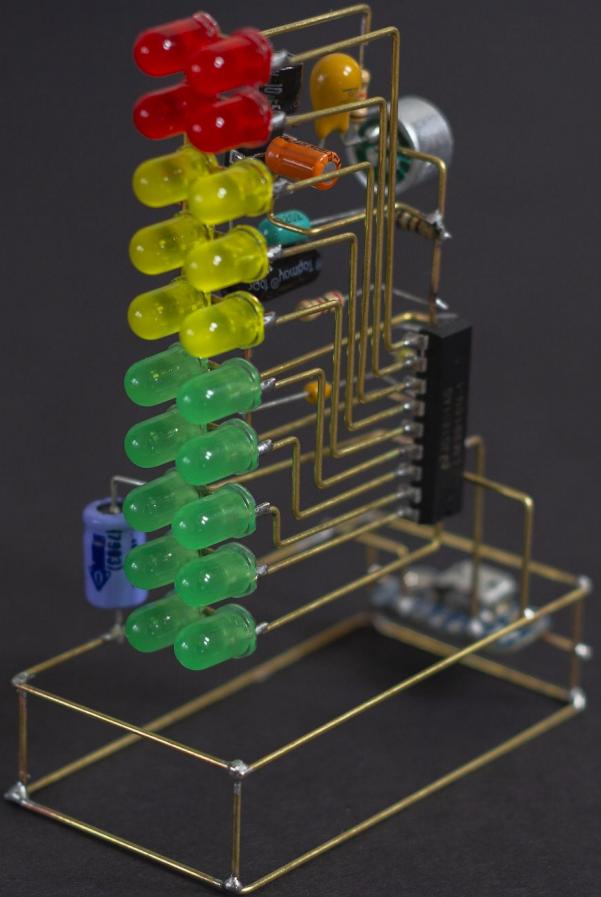
Kelly Heaton, Jiří Praus, and Mohit Bhoite

Mohit Bhoite

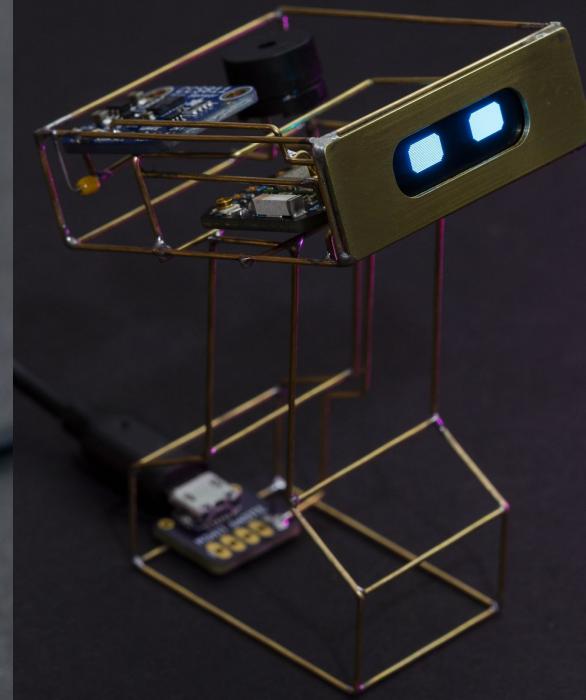
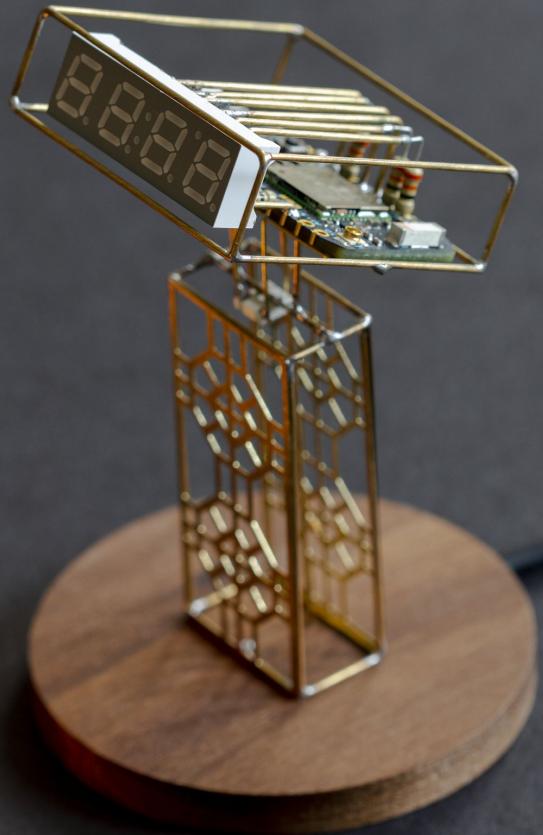
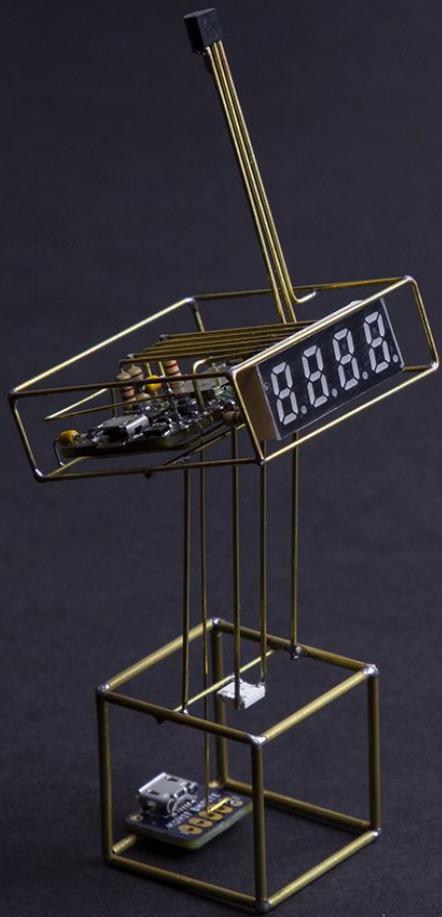
Sr. Hardware Engineer at Particle

I help design Particle's flagship IoT hardware products

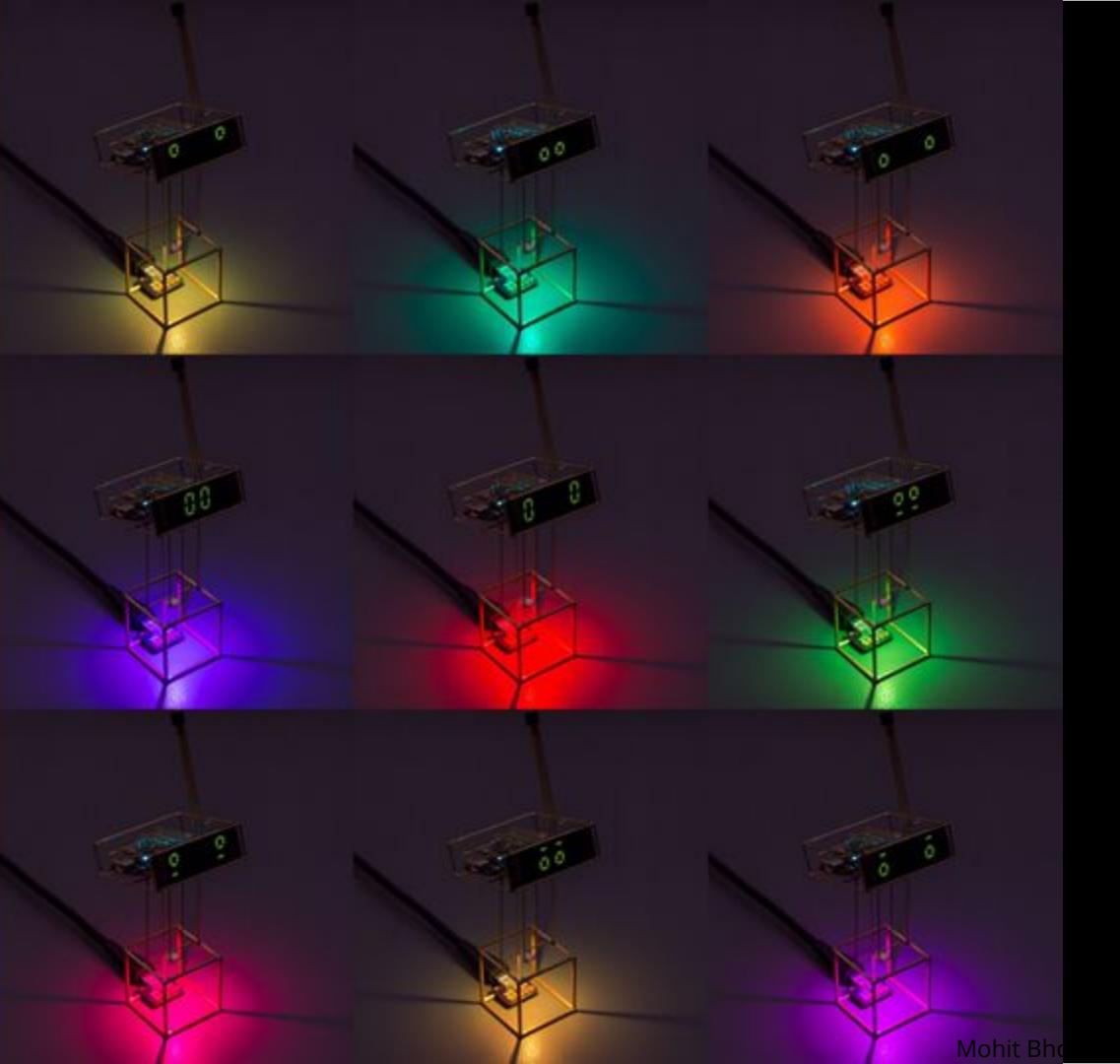
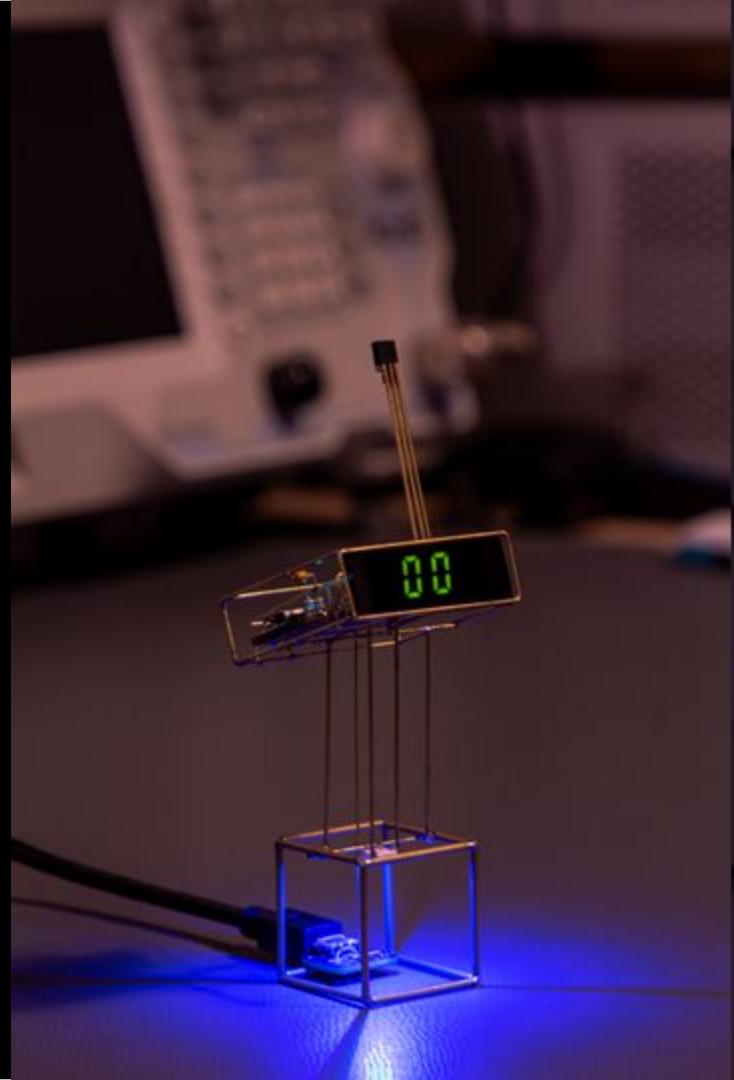




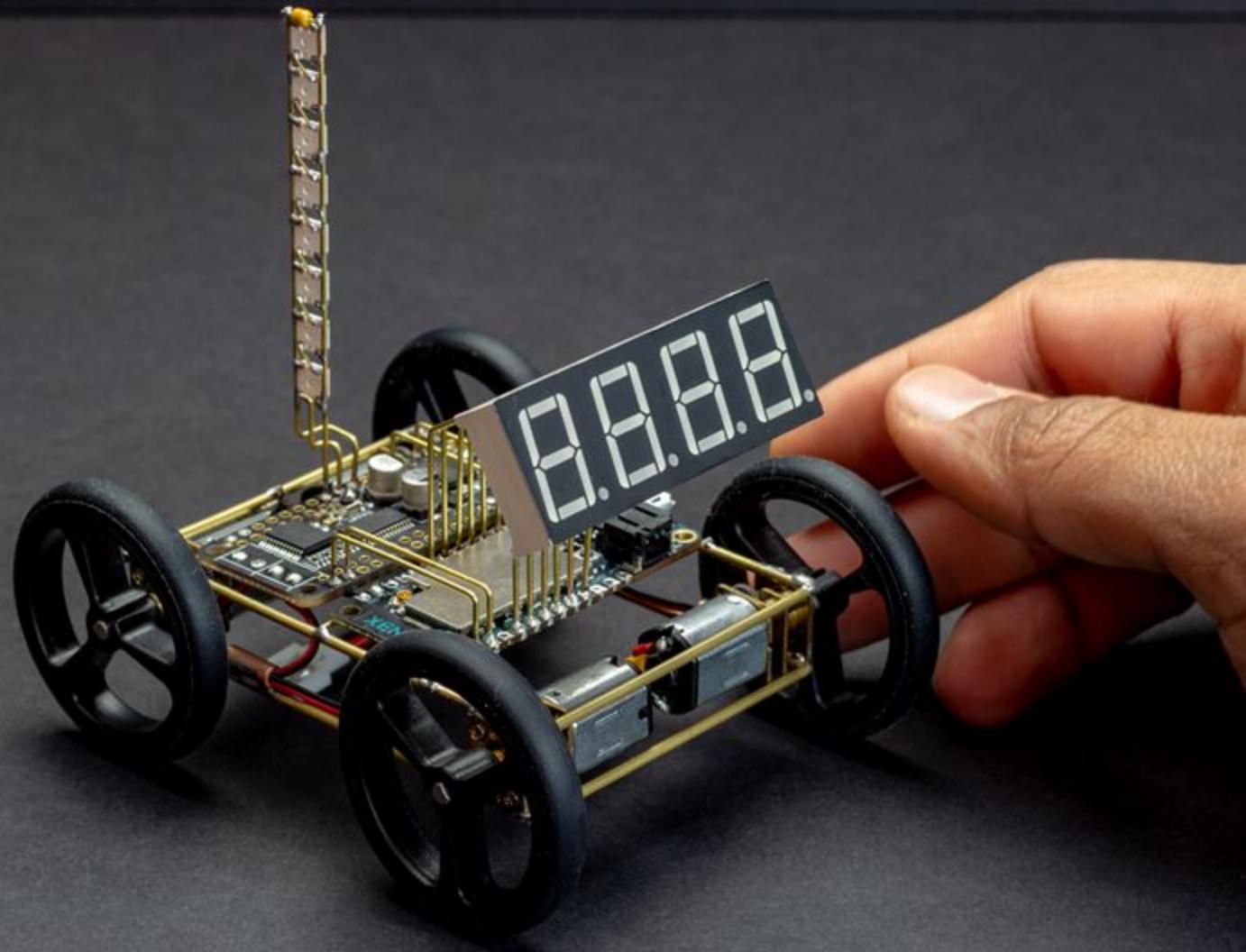
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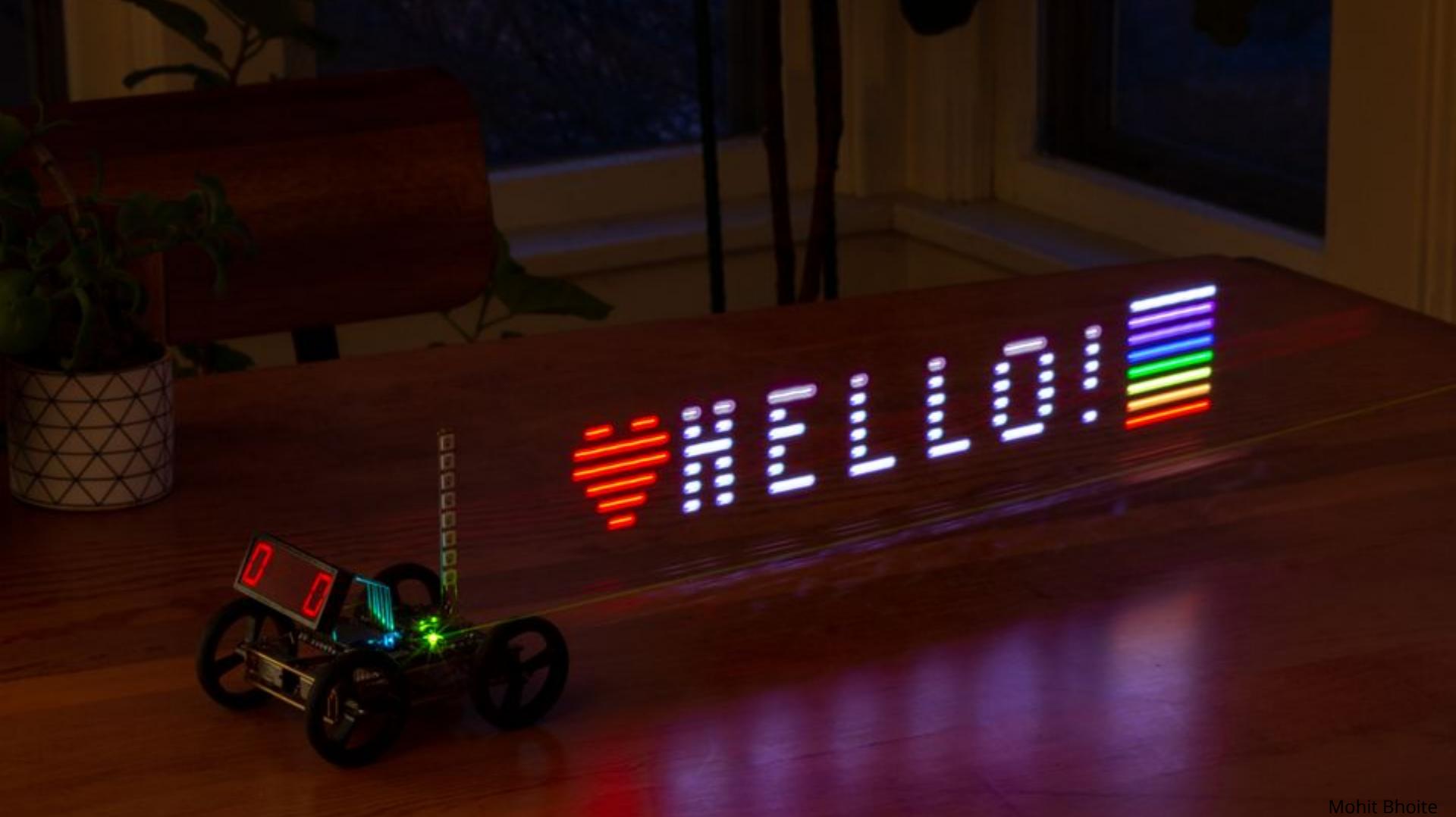


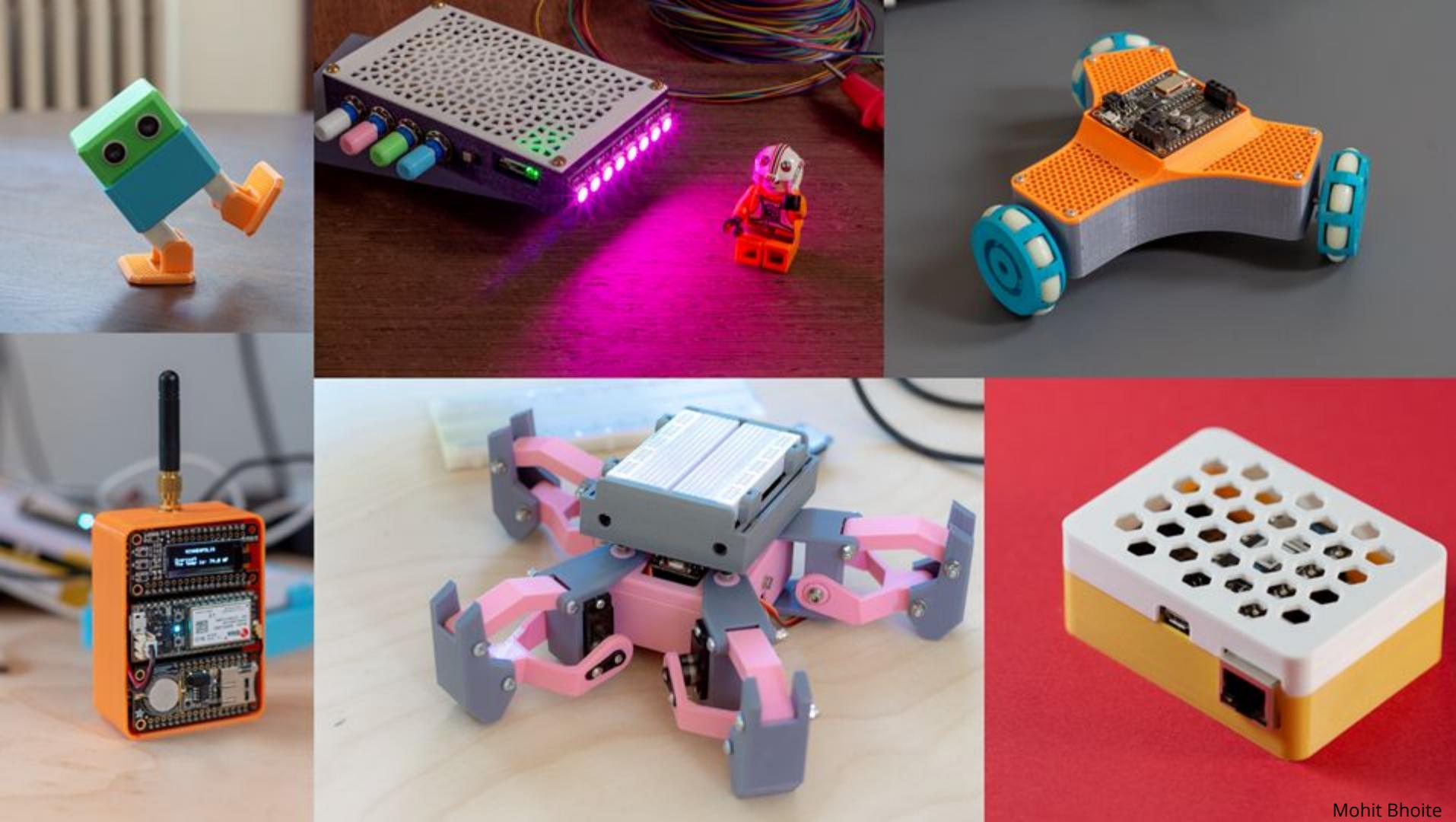
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Kelly Heaton

Artist++

I'm a nature-lover fascinated by the definition of "life" and the origins of consciousness.

I make artistic and philosophical circuits.



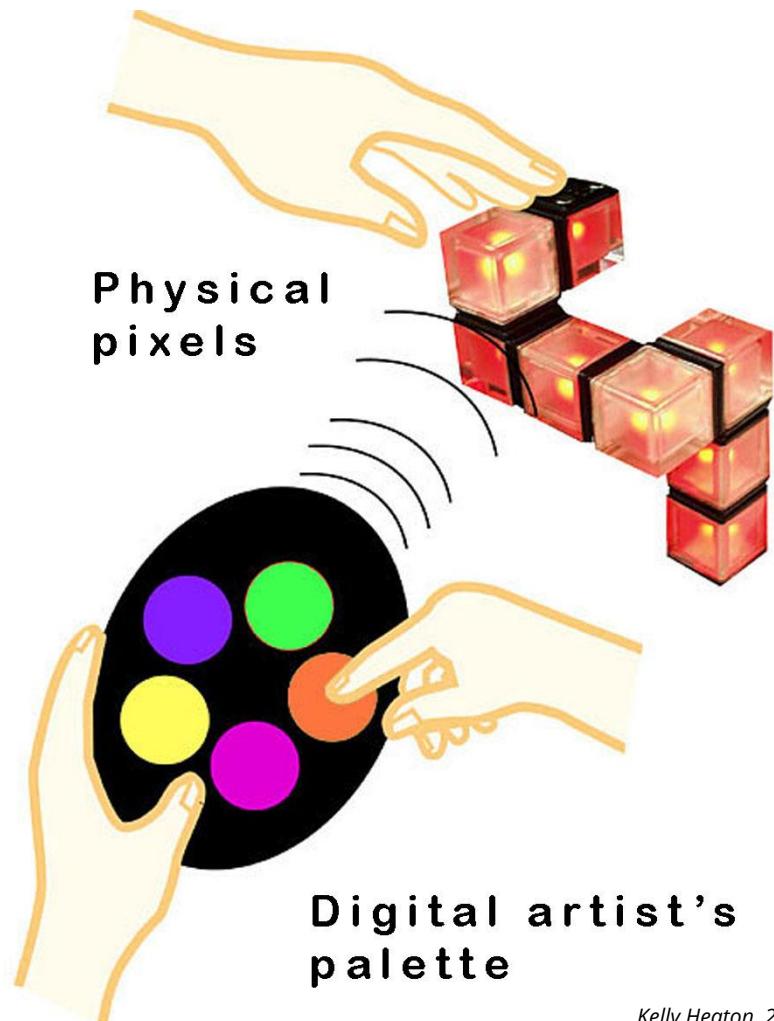
デジタル革命

初公開!

米国MIT「メディアラボ」



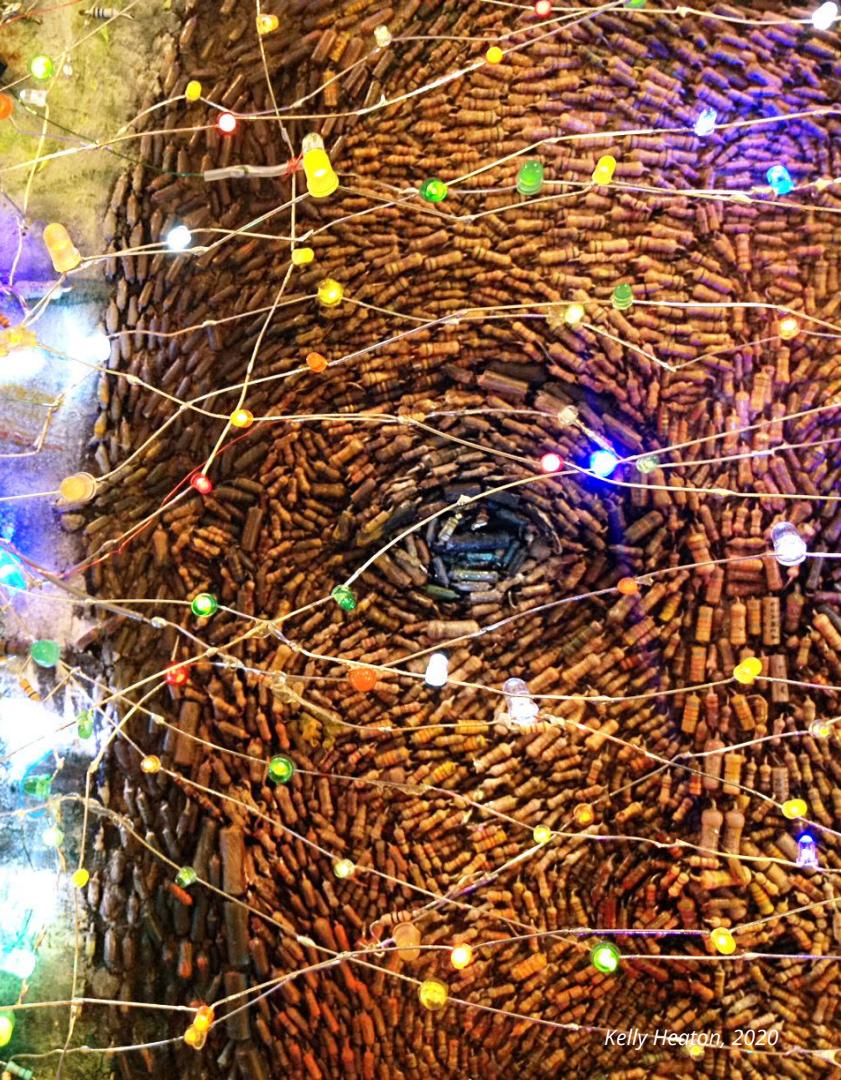
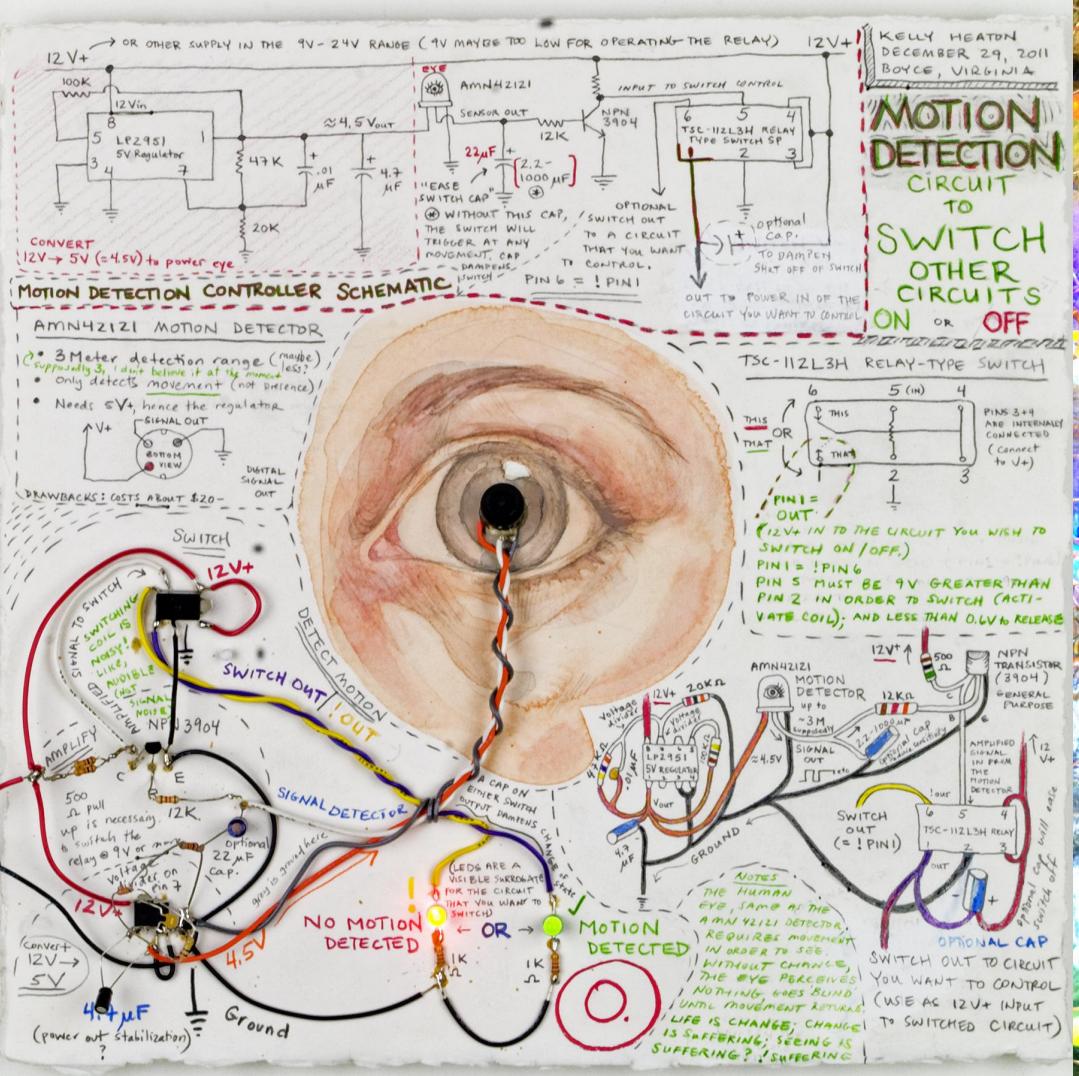
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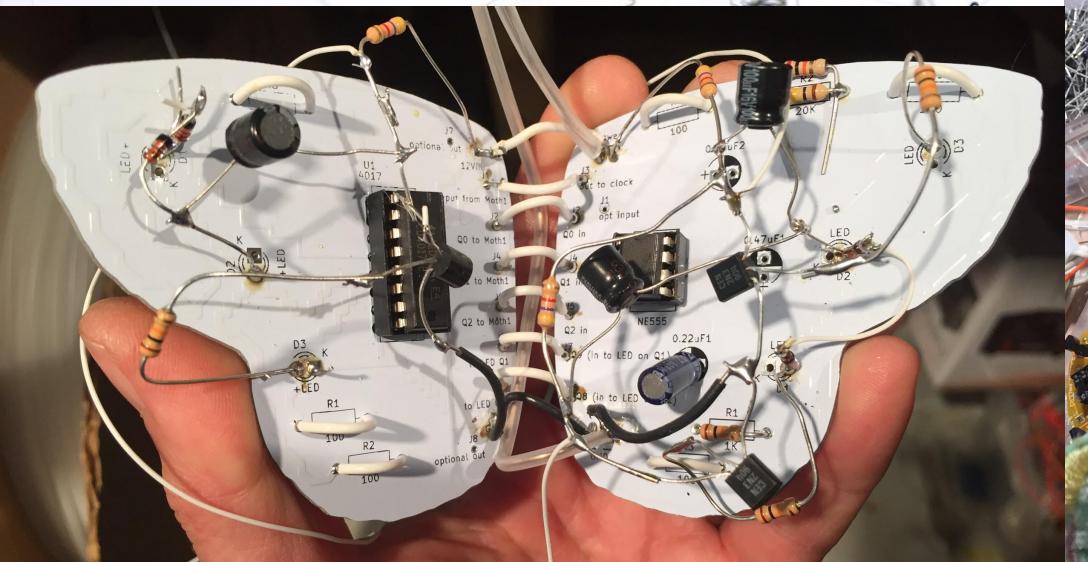


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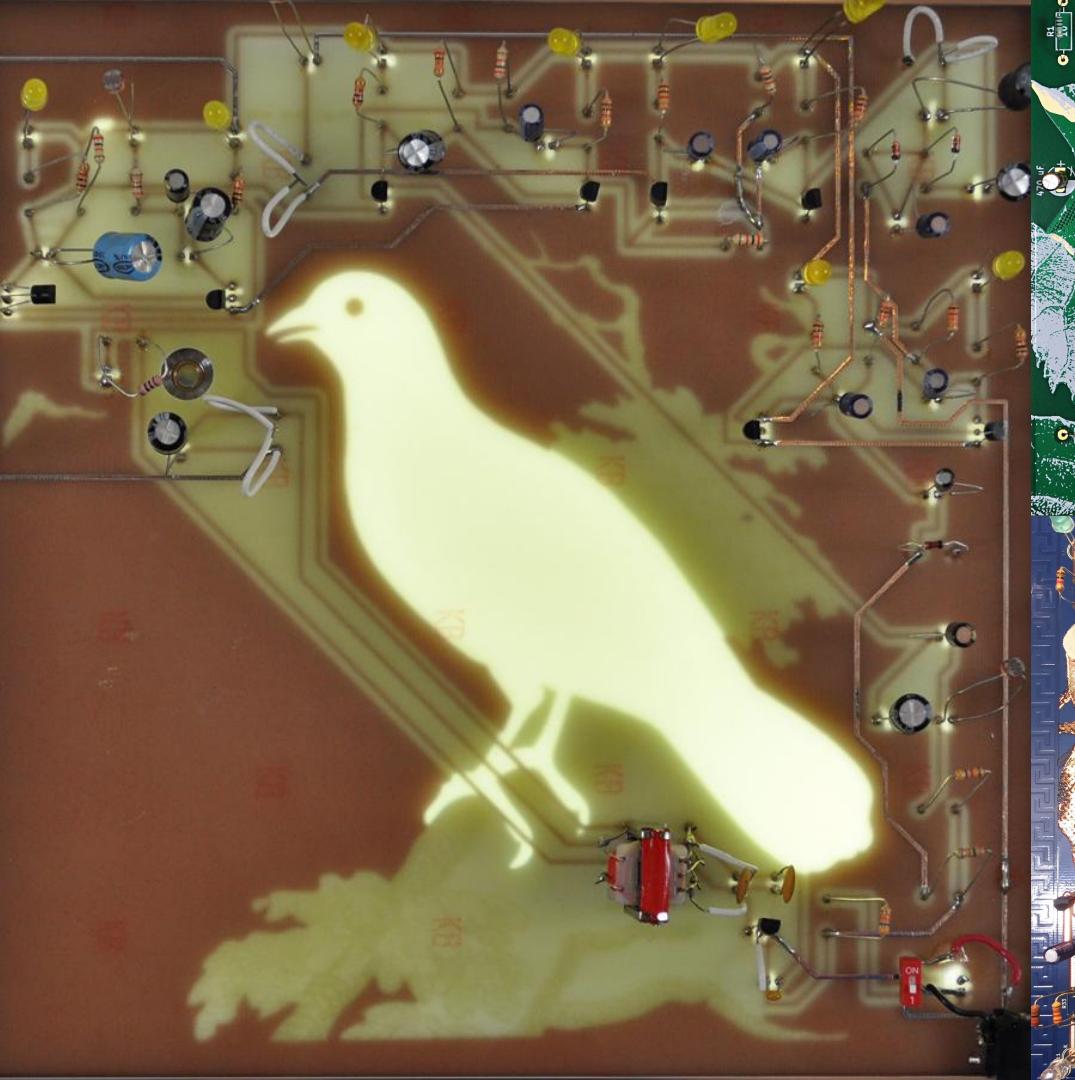
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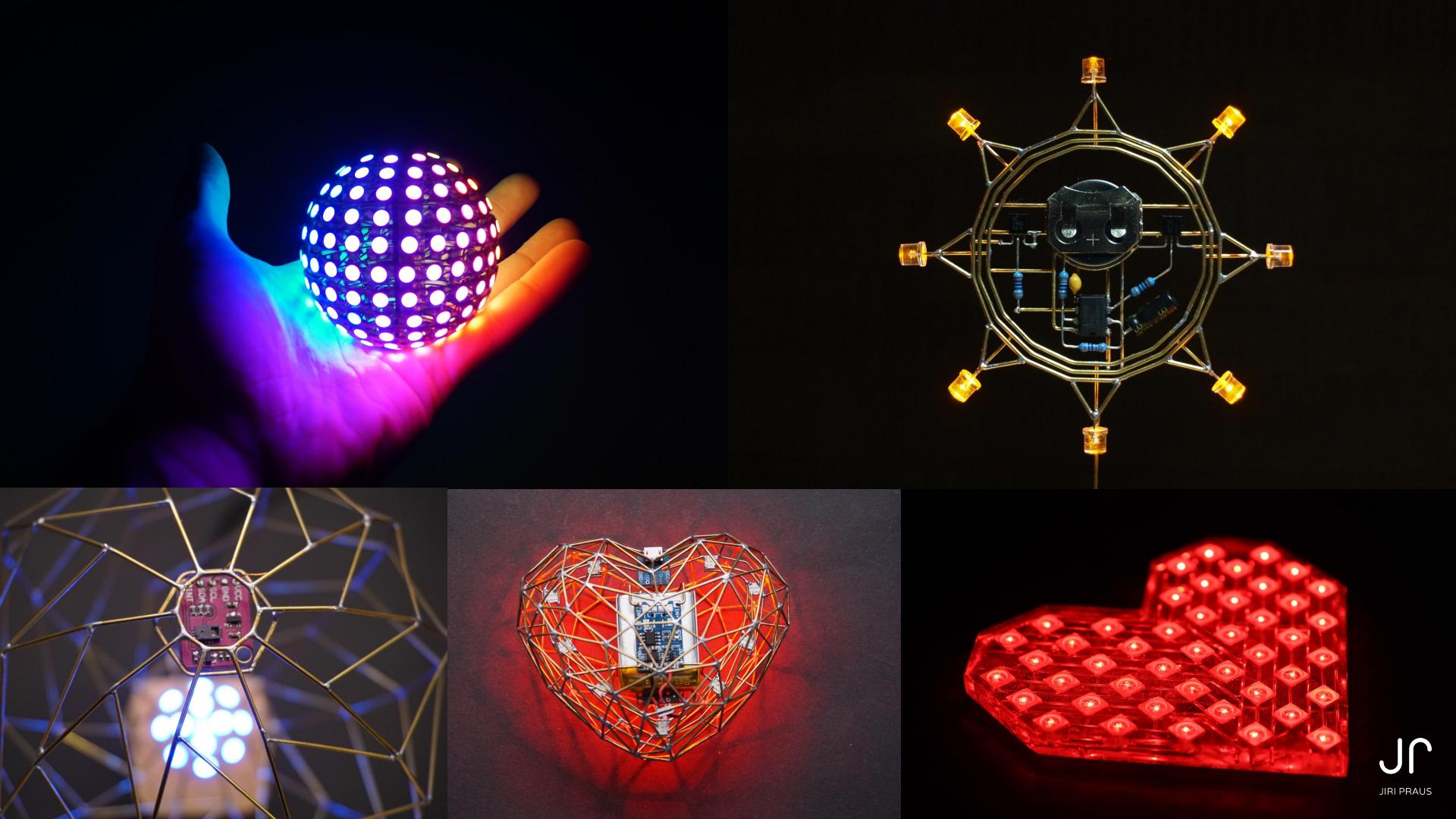


Jiří Praus

Maker, Software Engineer

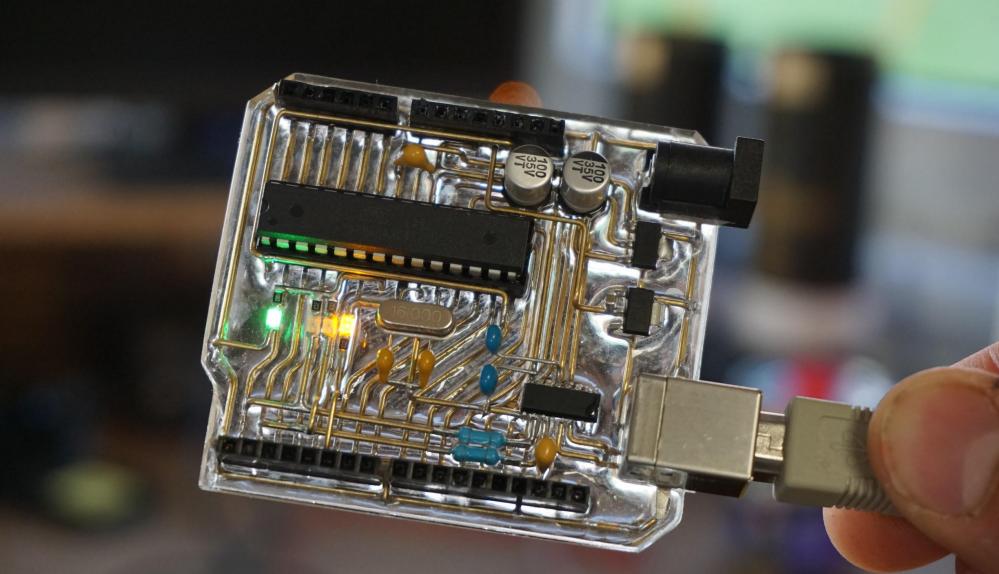
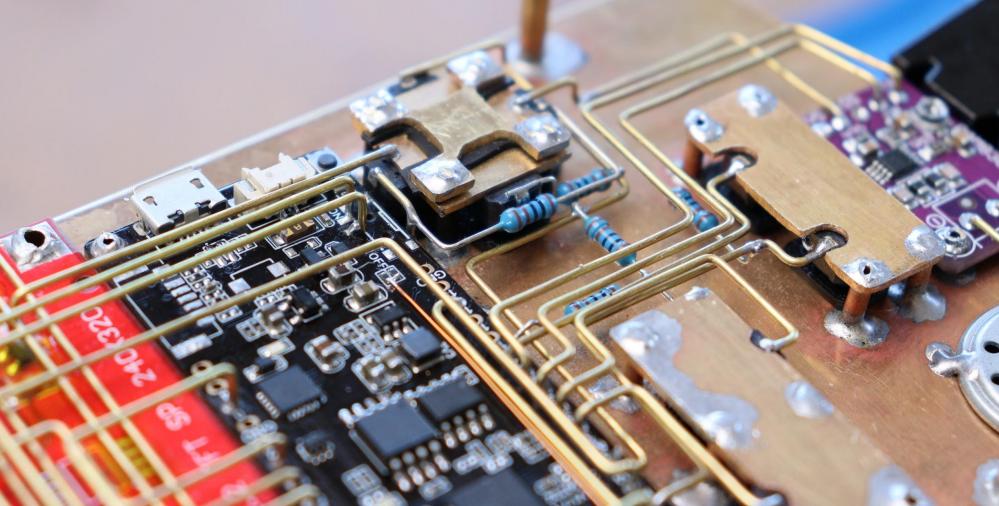
I love 3D design, electronics and programming. Making electronics sculptures combines all my passions.





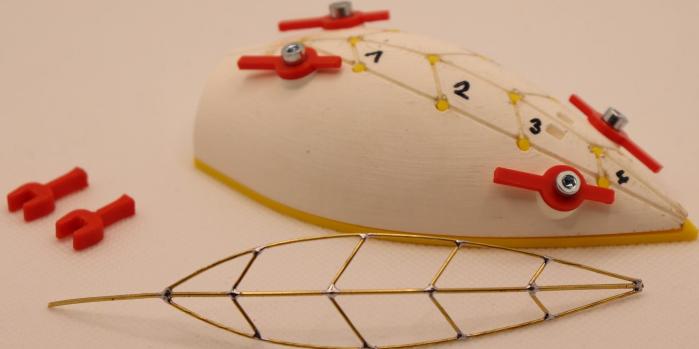
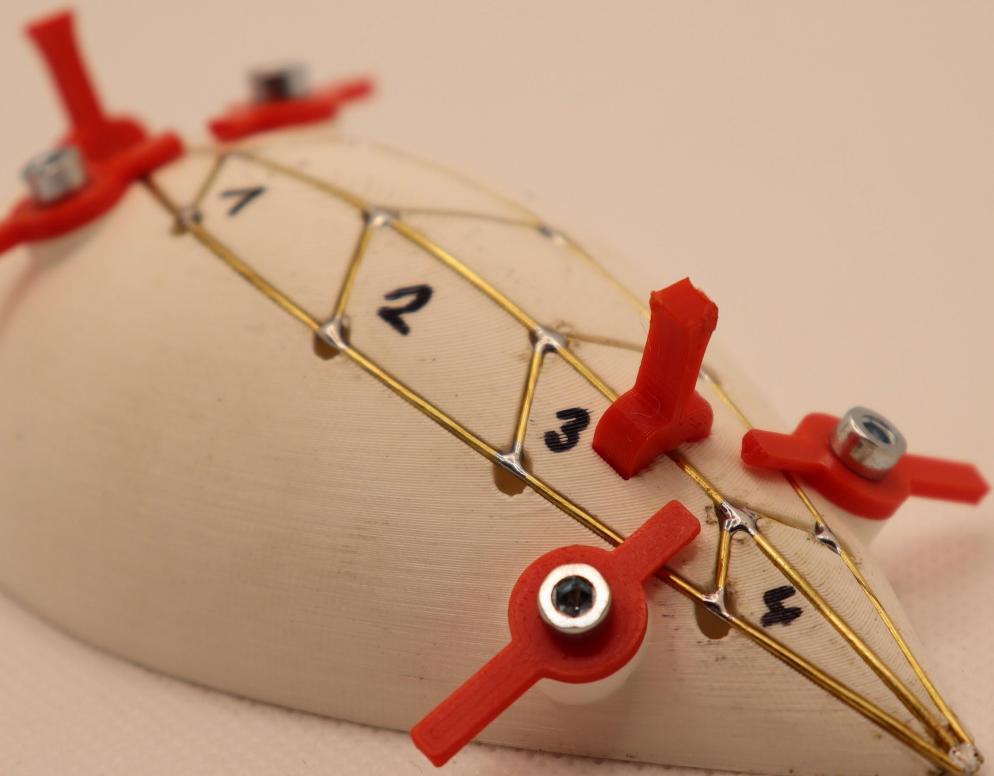
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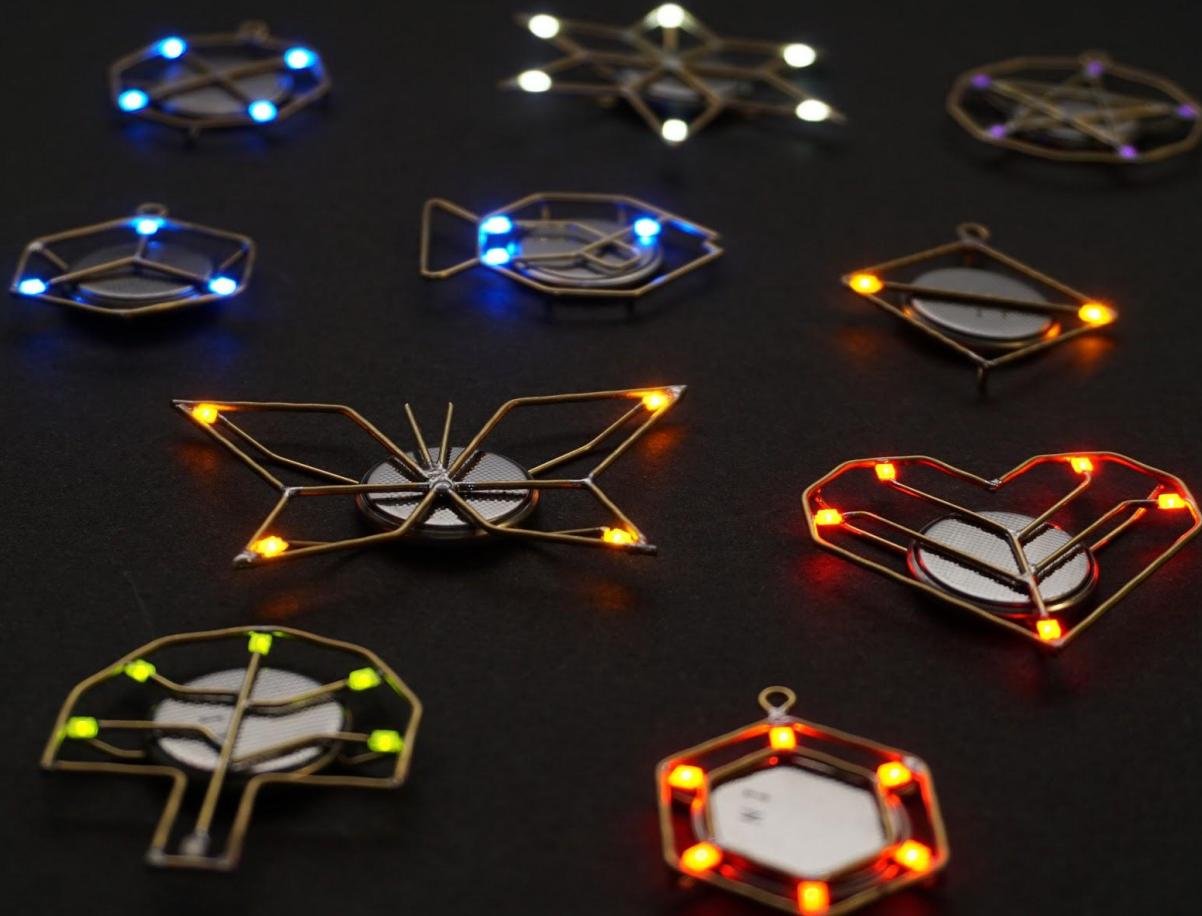
JIRI PRAUS





FLOWER





AGENDA

- Introductions
- Tools
- Soldering Techniques
- Building a firefly

GETTING STARTED

TOOLS

- Soldering Iron
- Solder
- Flux
- Pliers
- Diagonal/Flush cutters

SKILLS

- Basic soldering skills
- Basic understanding of electronics
- Patience

SOLDERING IRON

- 50W or higher
- Temperature controlled
- Replaceable tip
- Brass wool



Source: Digikey

SOLDER

- 0.4mm and 0.8mm
- No clean, water washable



Source: Digikey

FLUX



PLIERS AND DIAGONAL CUTTERS



XURON 485



XURON 9100F

MATERIALS

BRASS RODS



0.5mm, **0.8mm**, 1mm

- K&S Metals
- Ace Hardware
- Most hobby stores
- BLICK Arts
- Micromark

BRASS WIRE



18 AWG, 20 AWG

- Either red or yellow “half-hard” brass wire
- Don’t buy “dead-soft”

COPPER

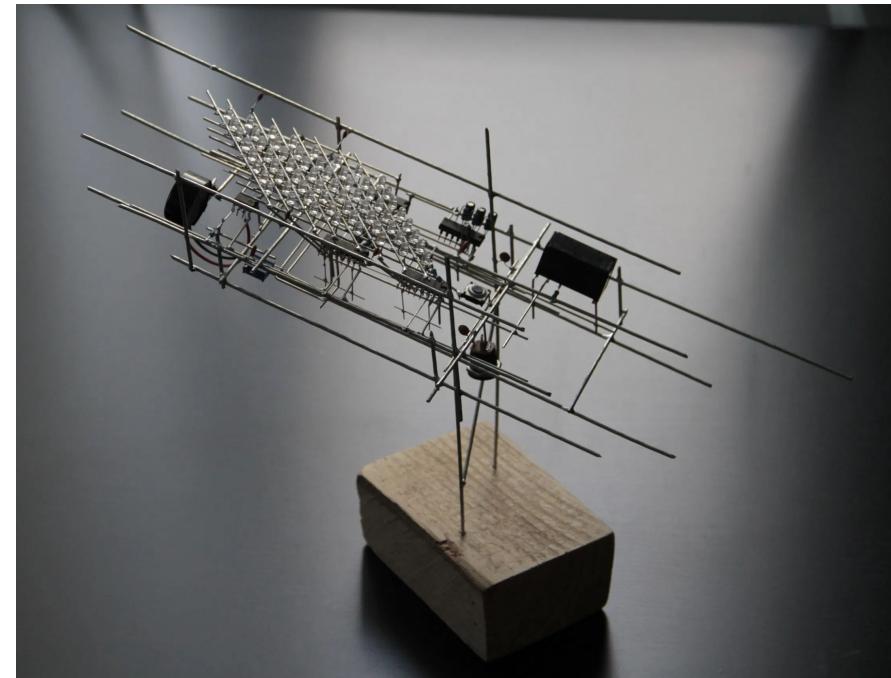


18 AWG, 20 AWG



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TIN PLATED - COPPER/ STEEL

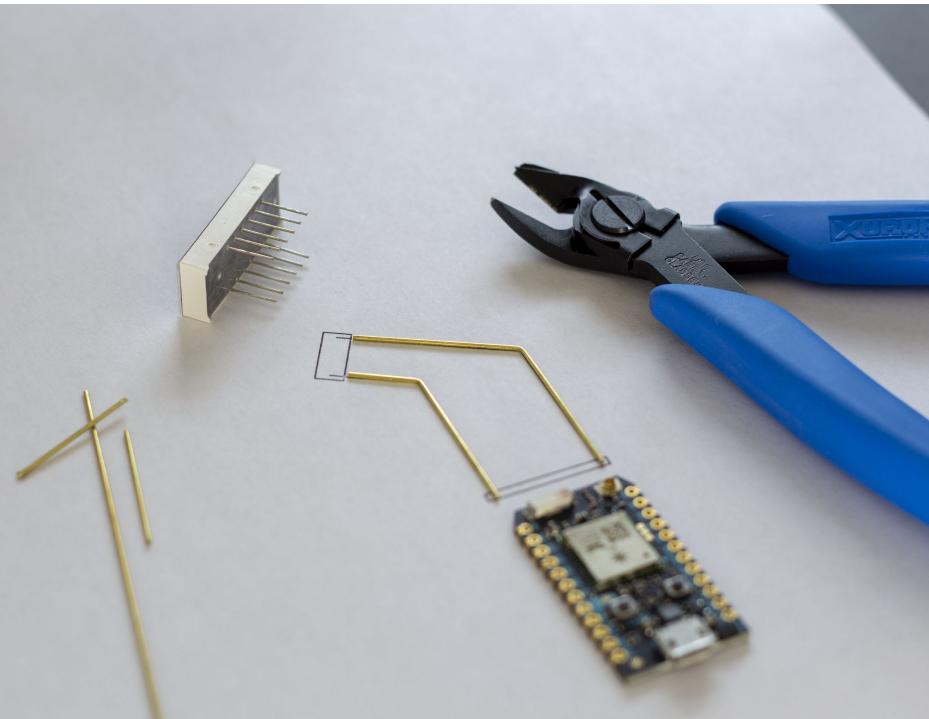
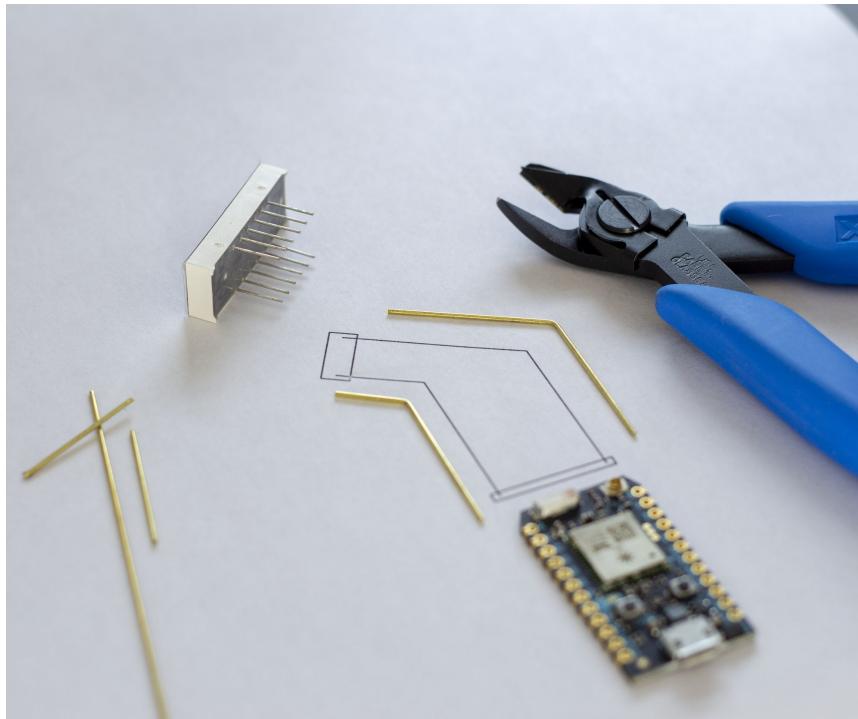


18 AWG, 20 AWG

Eirik Brandal

WORKING WITH BRASS

CUTTING AND BENDING



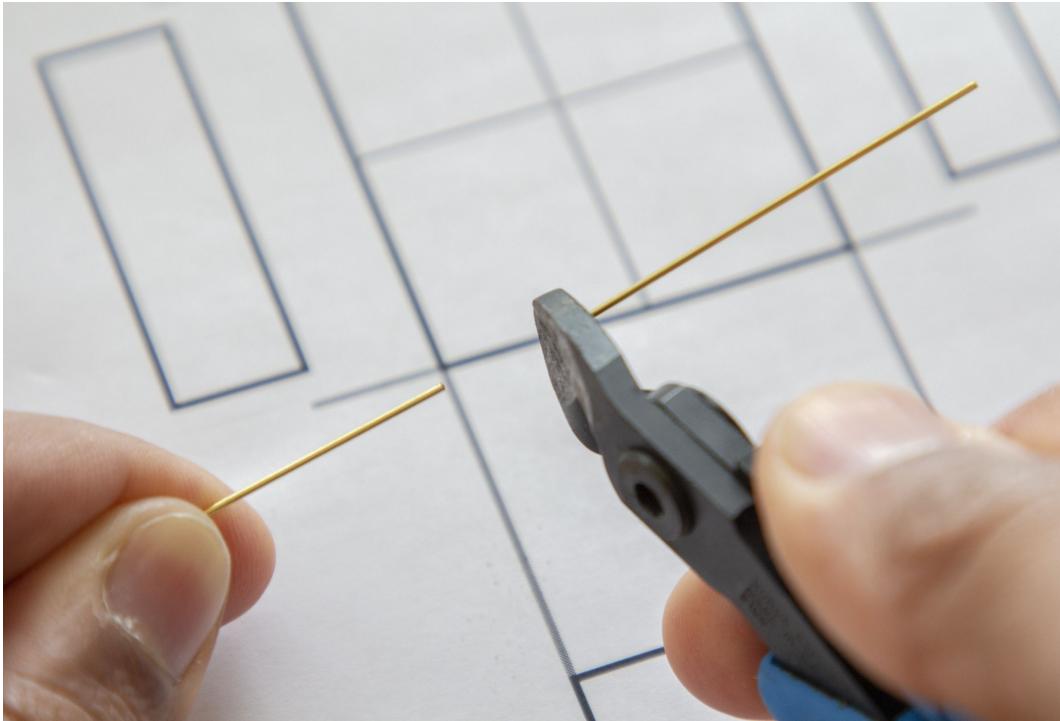
MARKING WITH A GRAPHITE PENCIL



CUTTING



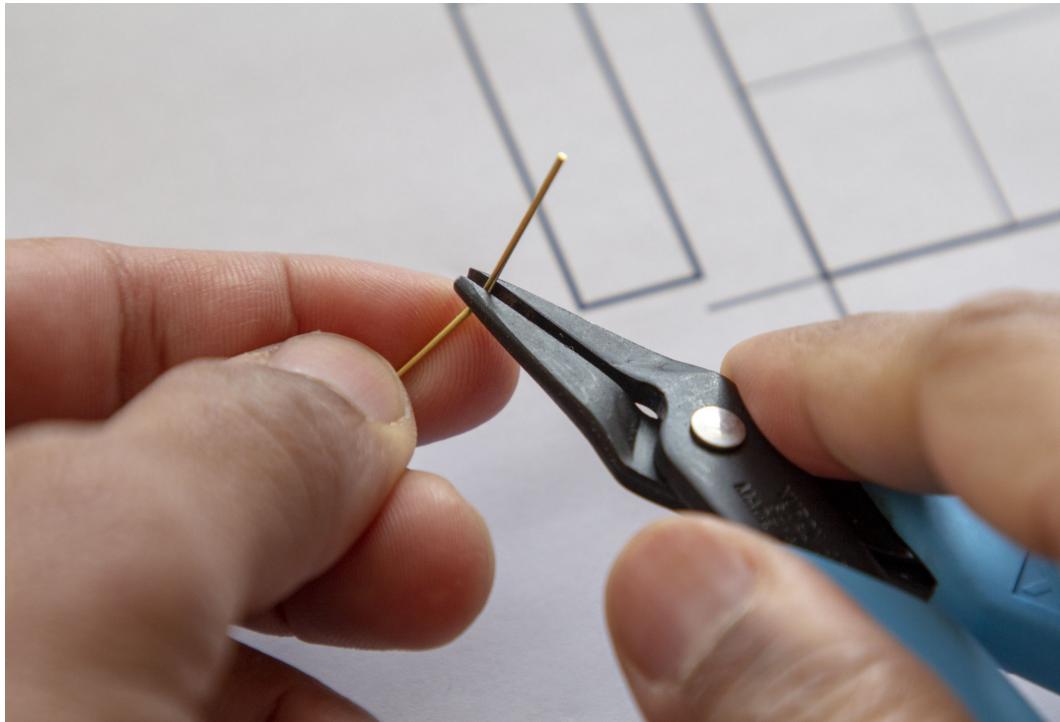
CUTTING: NO FLYING BRASS PROJECTILES!



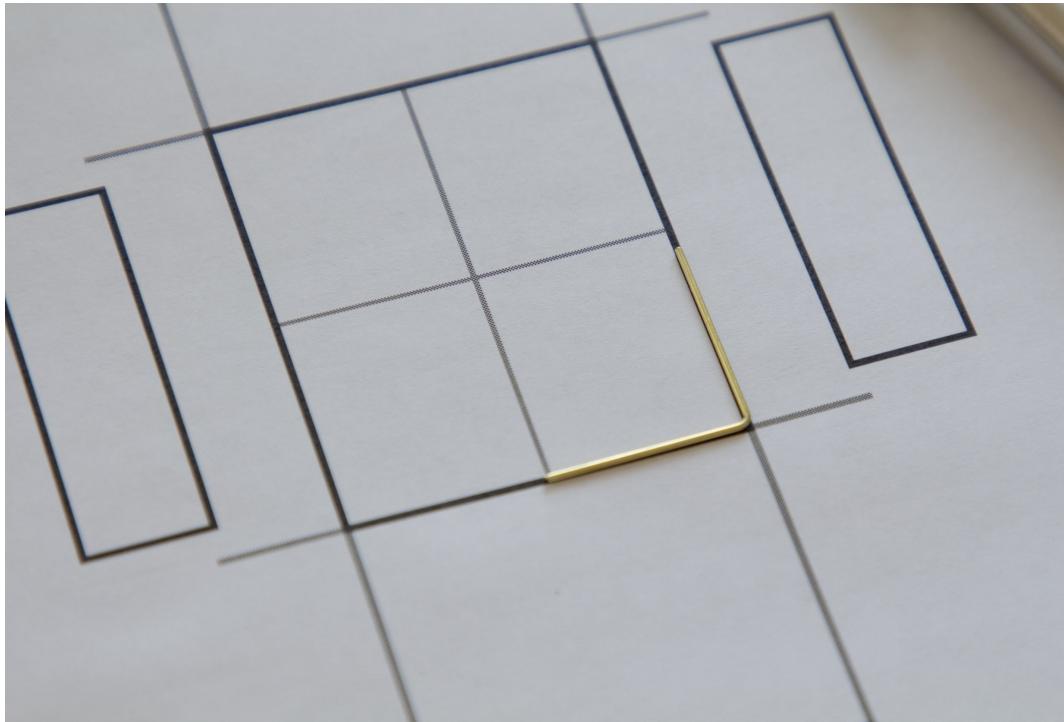
THE CUTS ARE NOT THE SAME!



BENDING

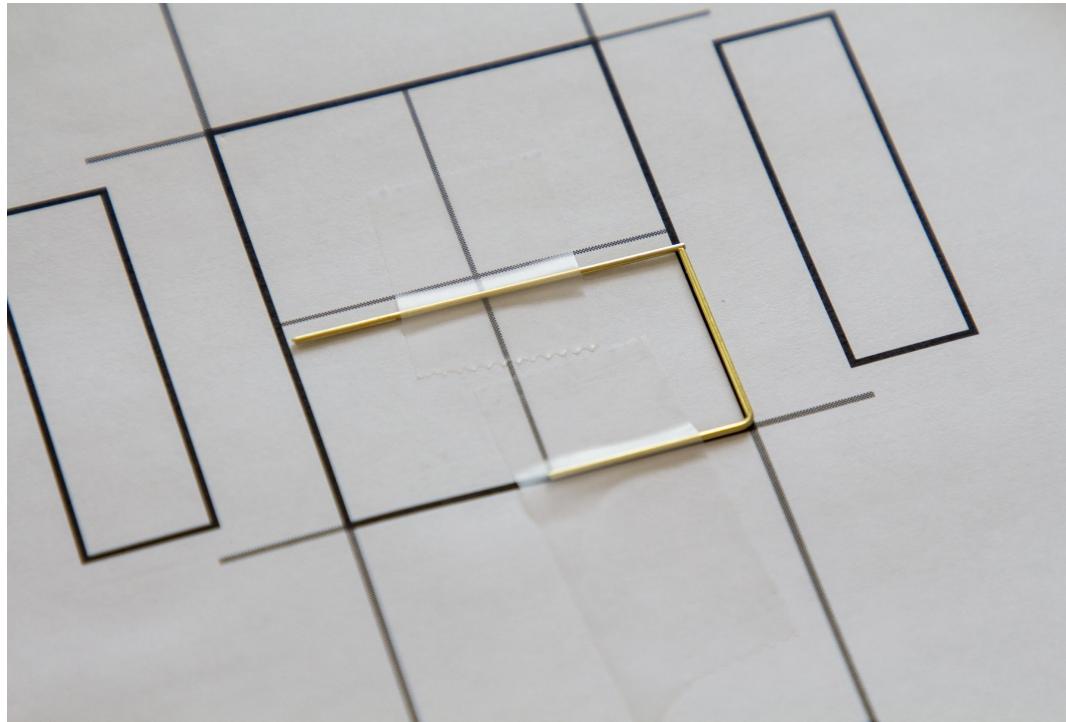


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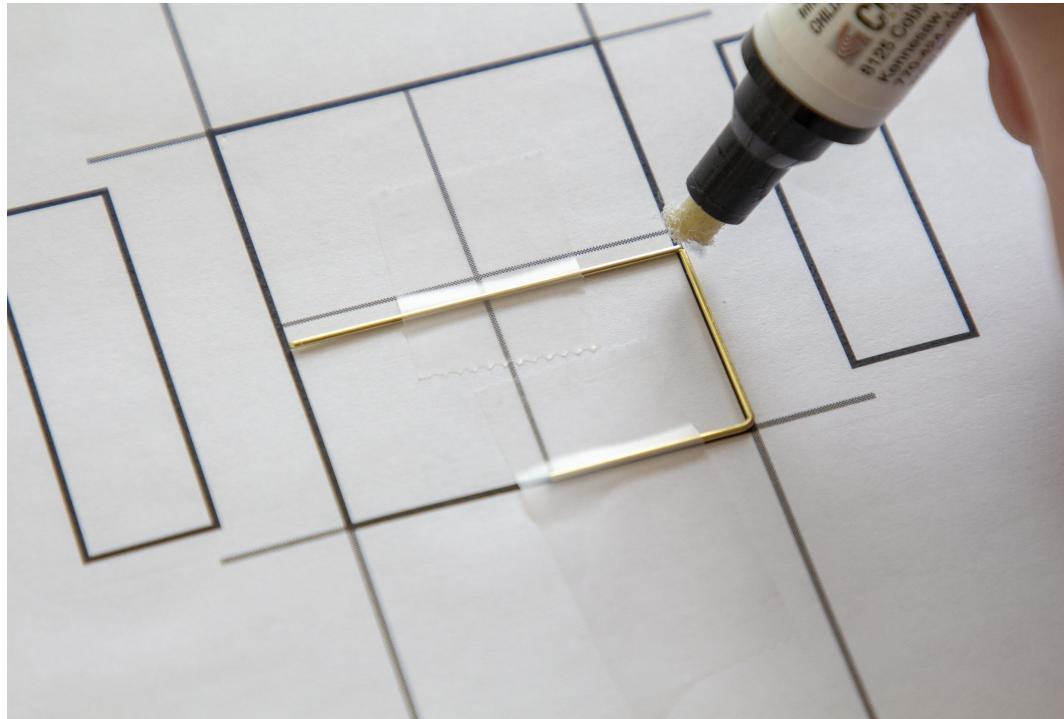


SOLDERING

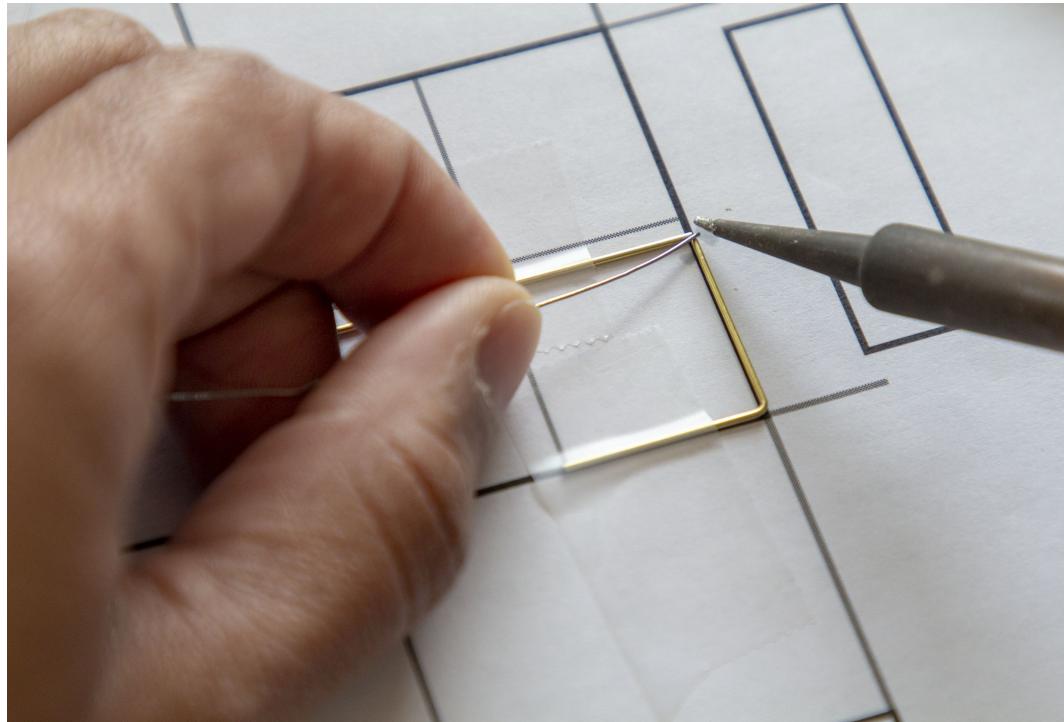
SOLDERING: FIX DESIGN TO THE TEMPLATE



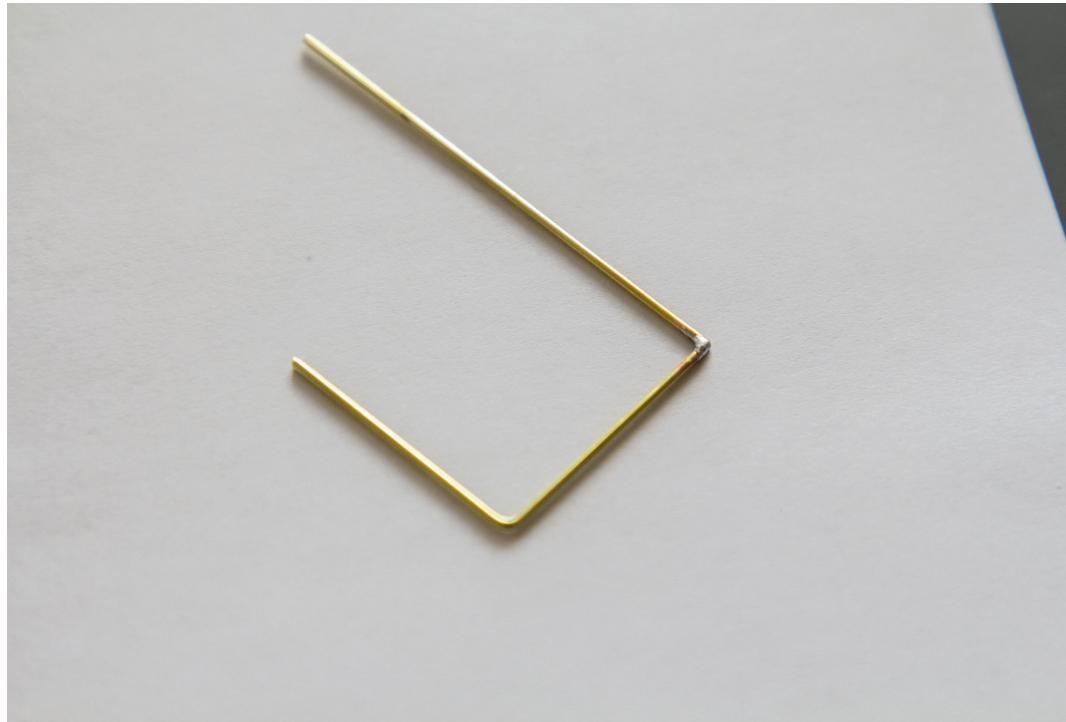
SOLDERING: APPLY FLUX



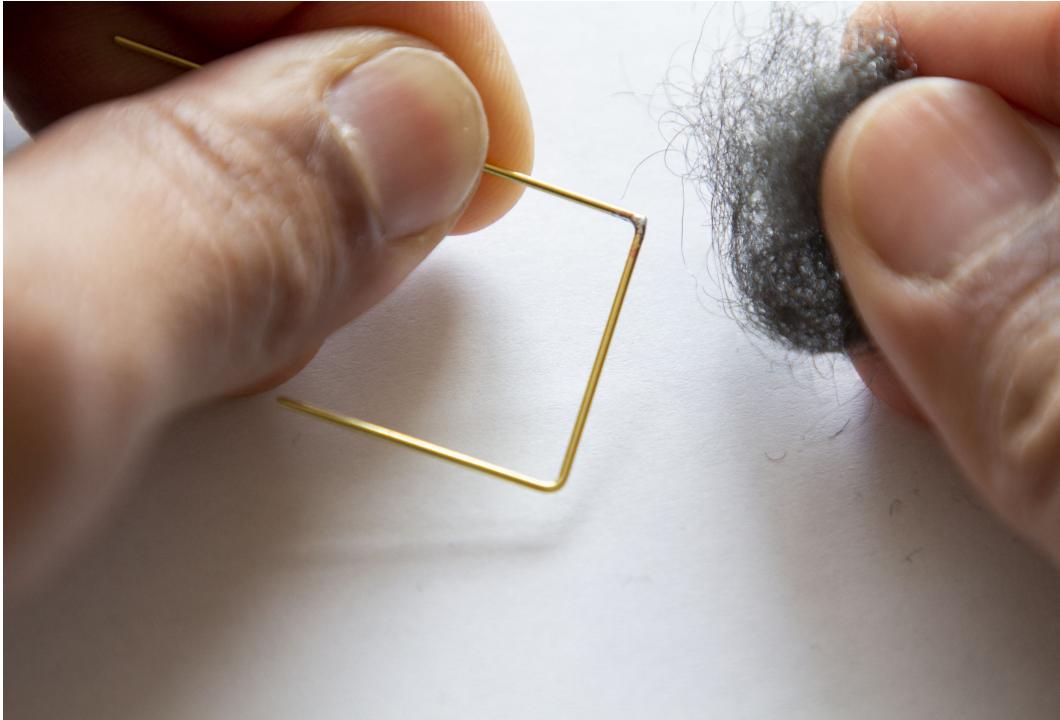
SOLDERING: SOLDER!



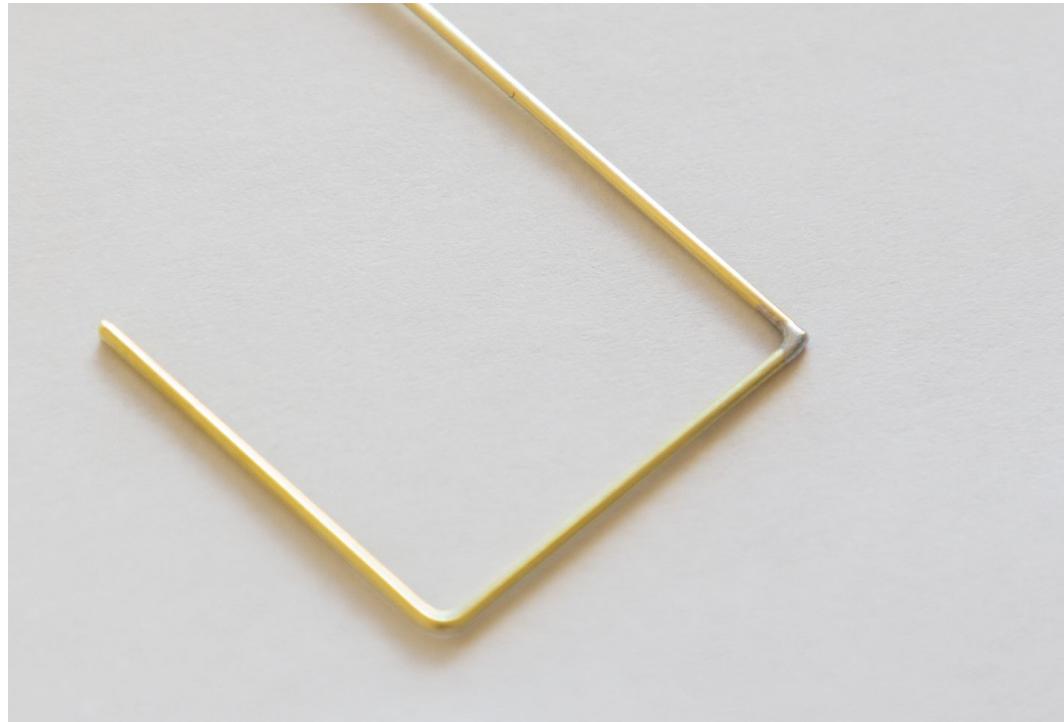
SOLDERING: TADA!



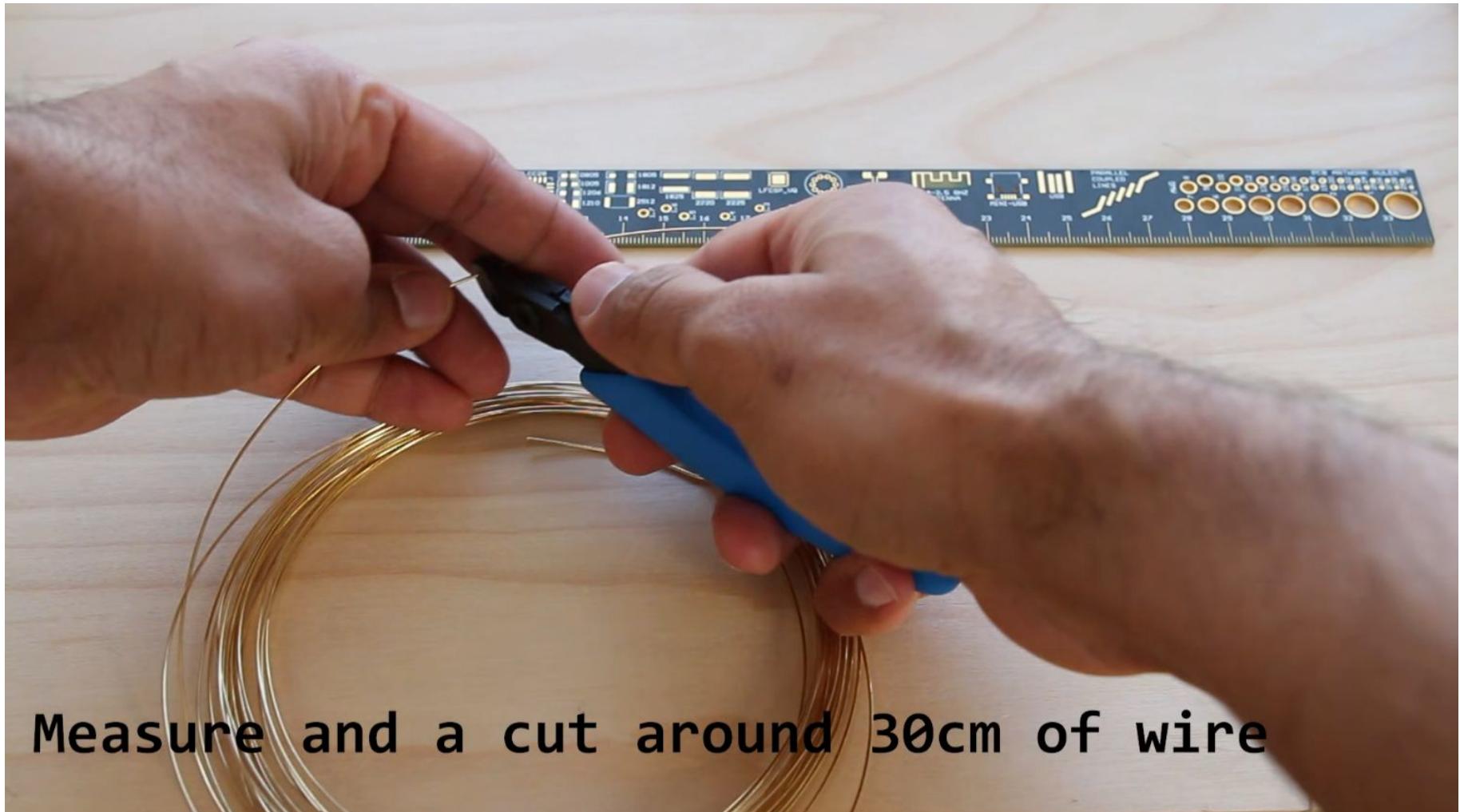
POST PROCESS: #000 STEEL WOOL



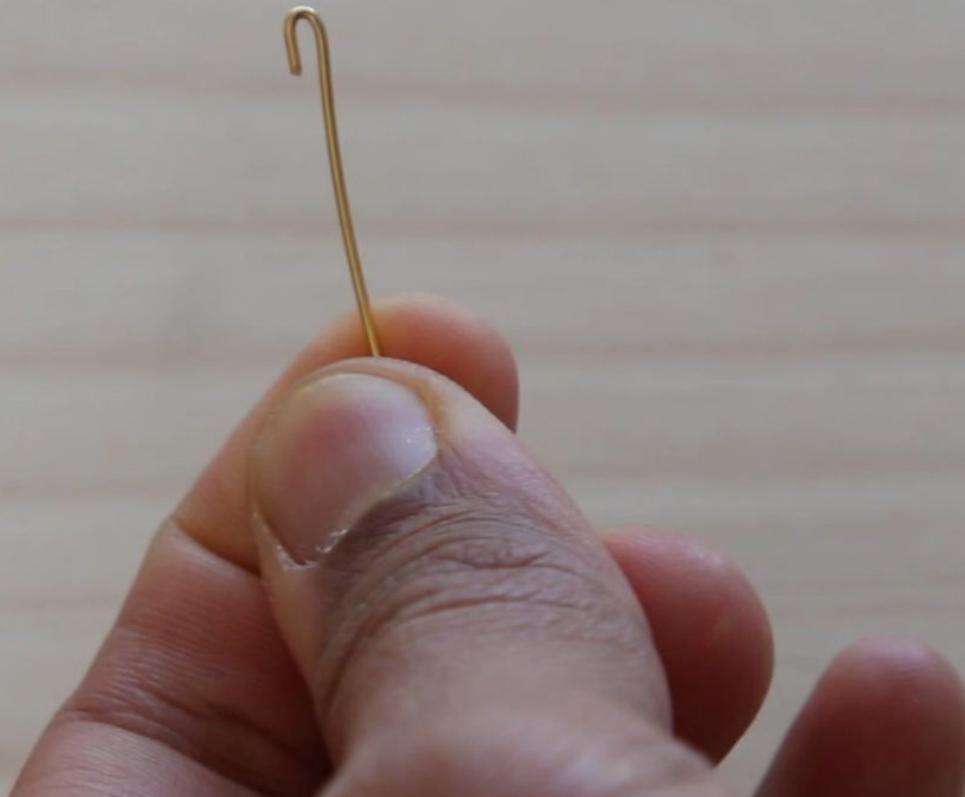
POST PROCESS: FINAL RESULT



TURNING WIRES INTO RODS

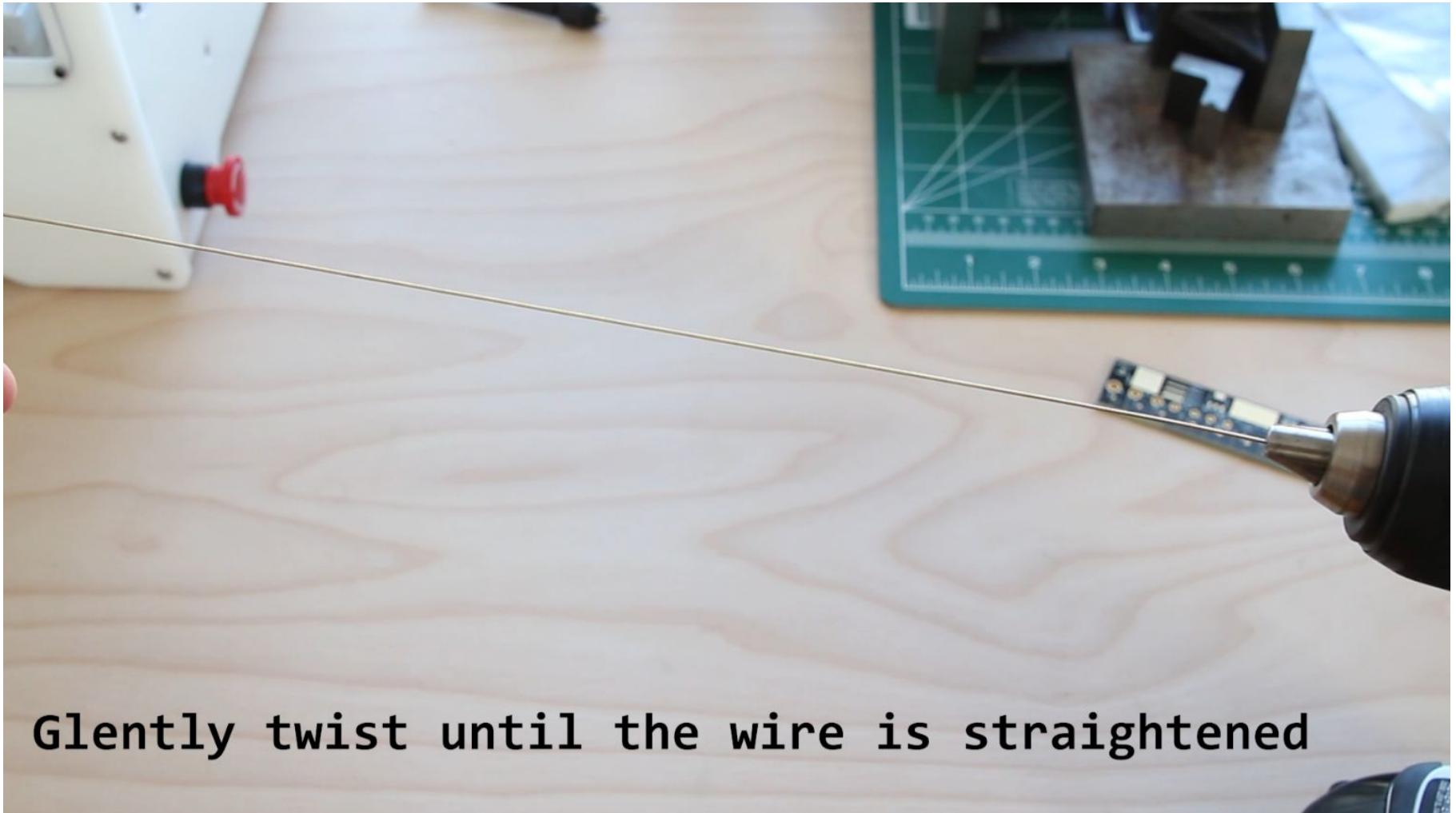


Measure and a cut around 30cm of wire





Feed it into the drill chuck



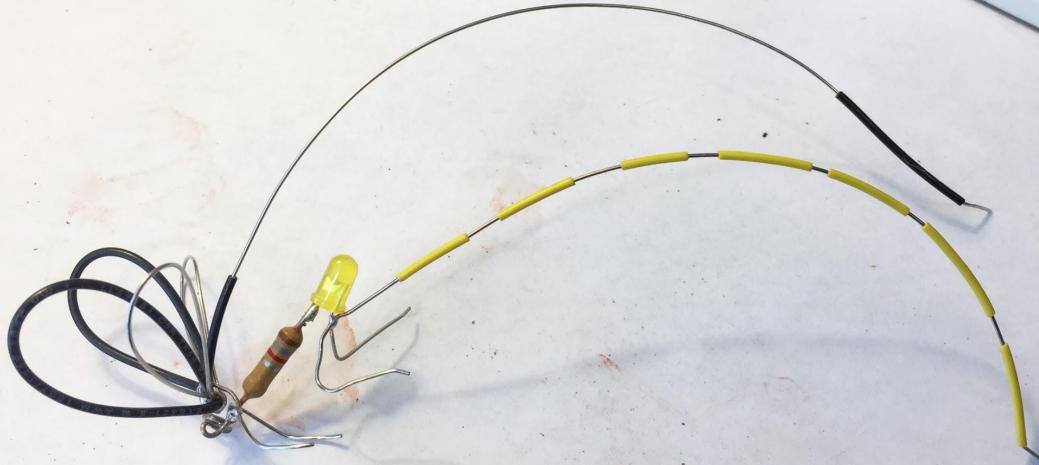
Glently twist until the wire is straightened

TODAY'S CIRCUIT SCULPTURE

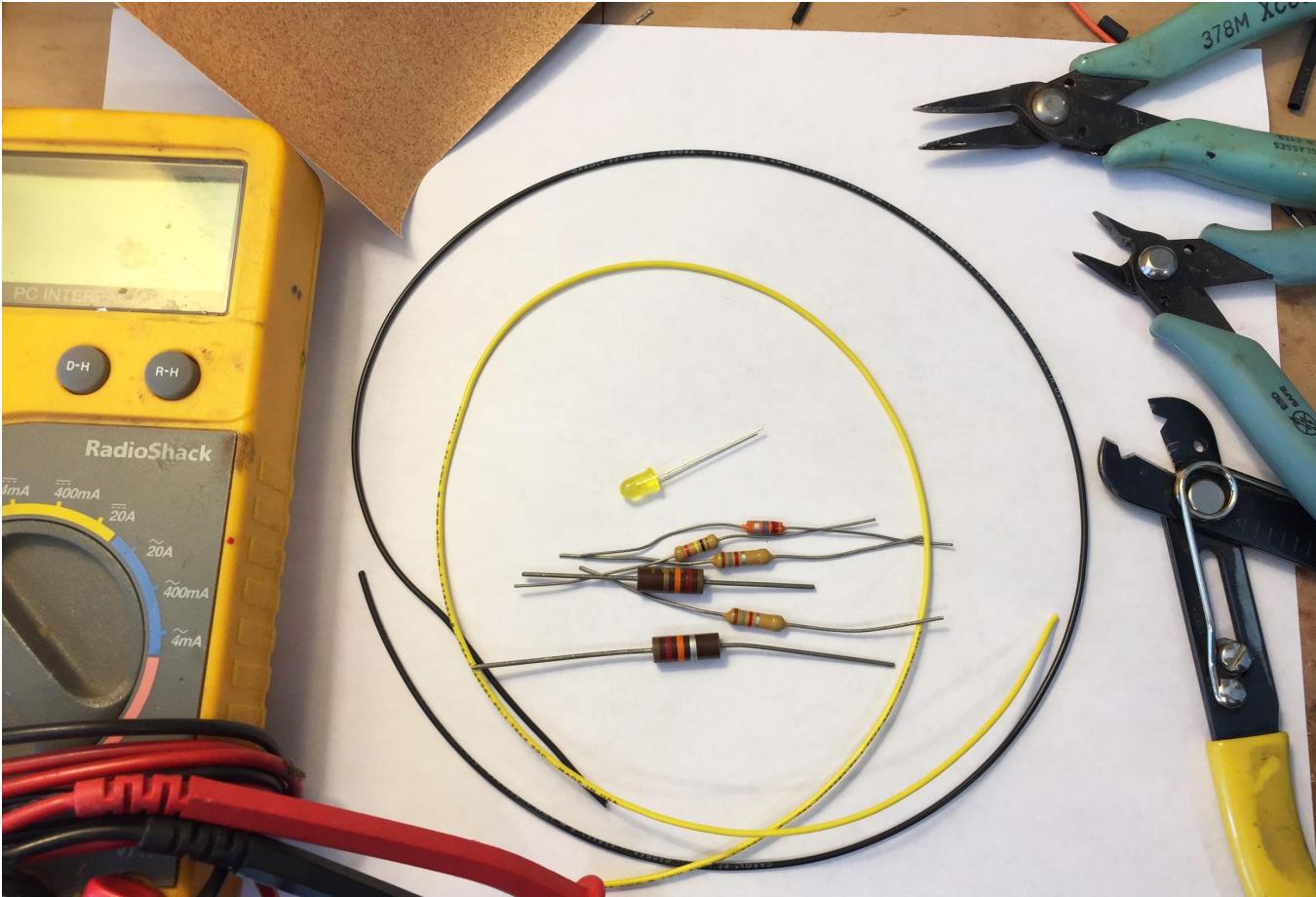


FREE-FORMING A FIREFLY

**How to make a firefly
from a resistor,
LED and wire.**



**If you connect the firefly to an oscillator,
it will blink!**



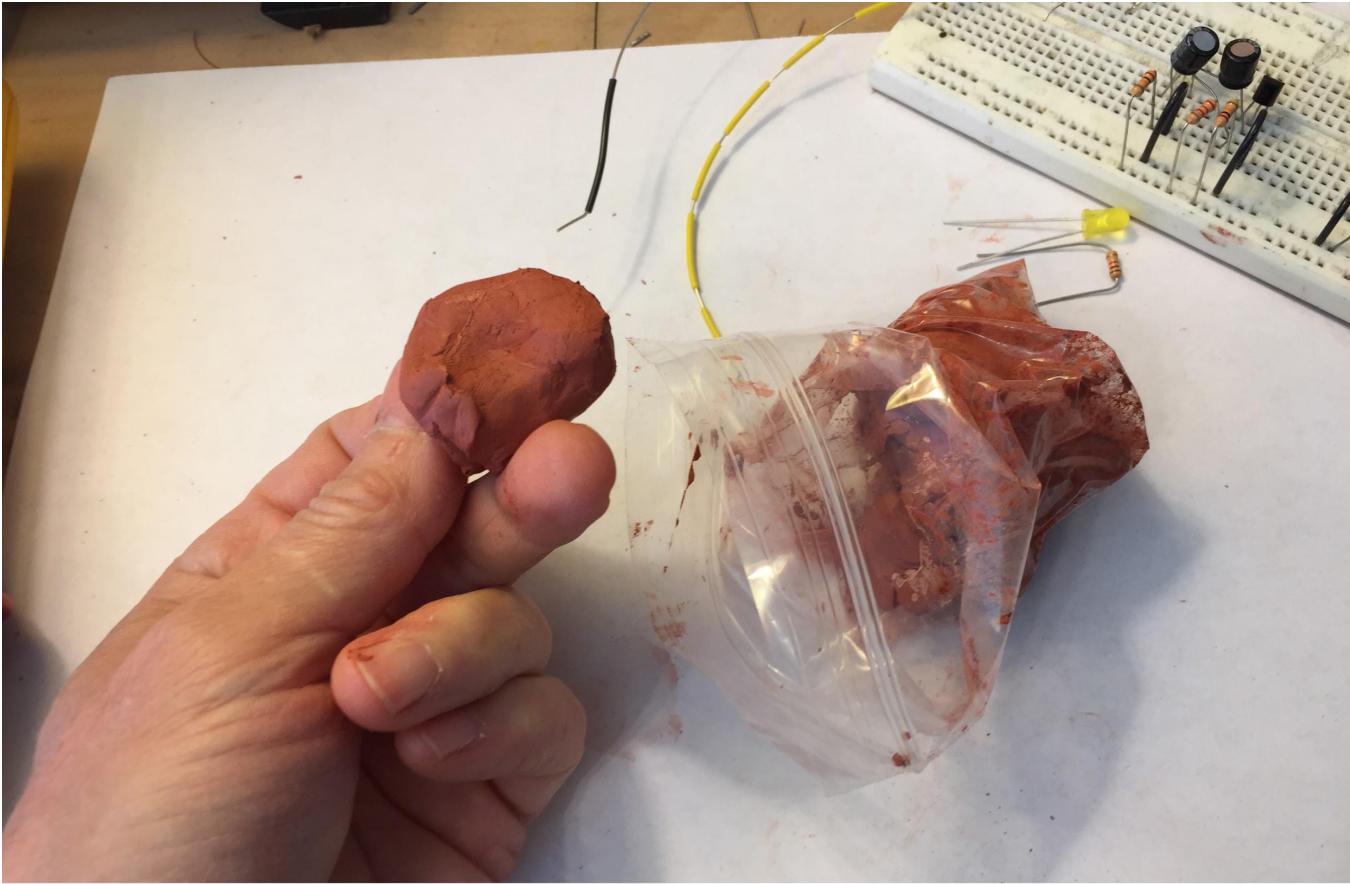
What you need (++ solder, iron, clay, breadboard...)

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Random electronic parts are great for sculpture

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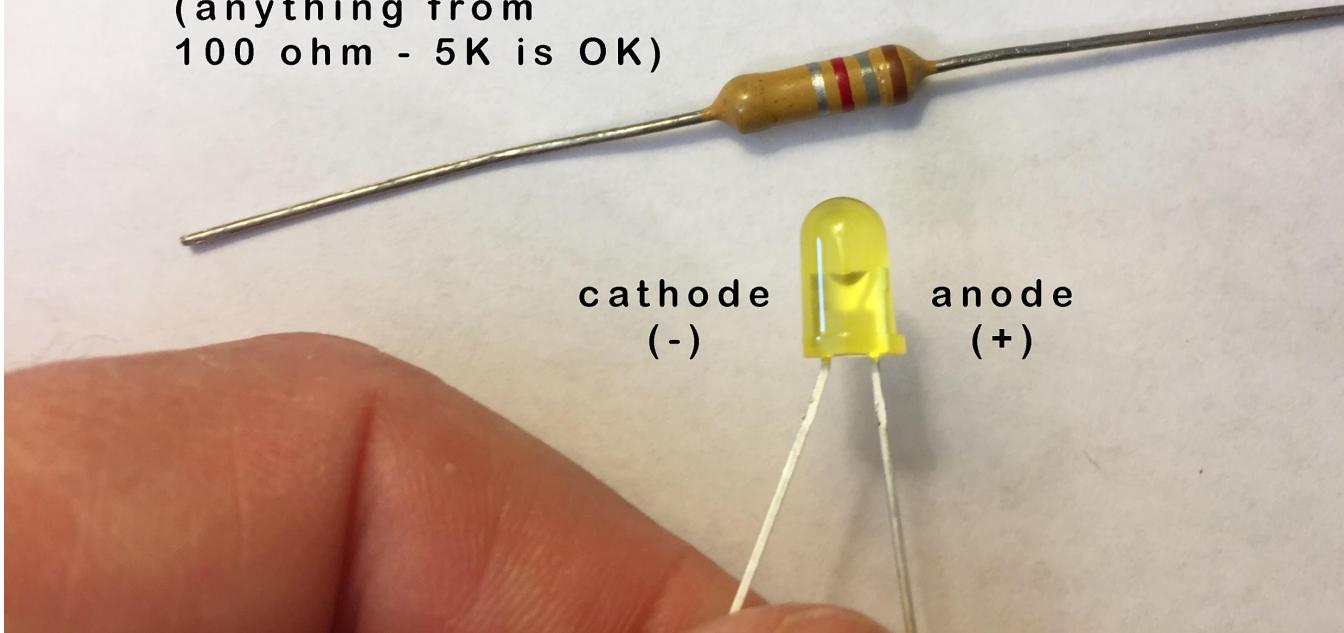


Water-based clay makes easy, versatile jigs

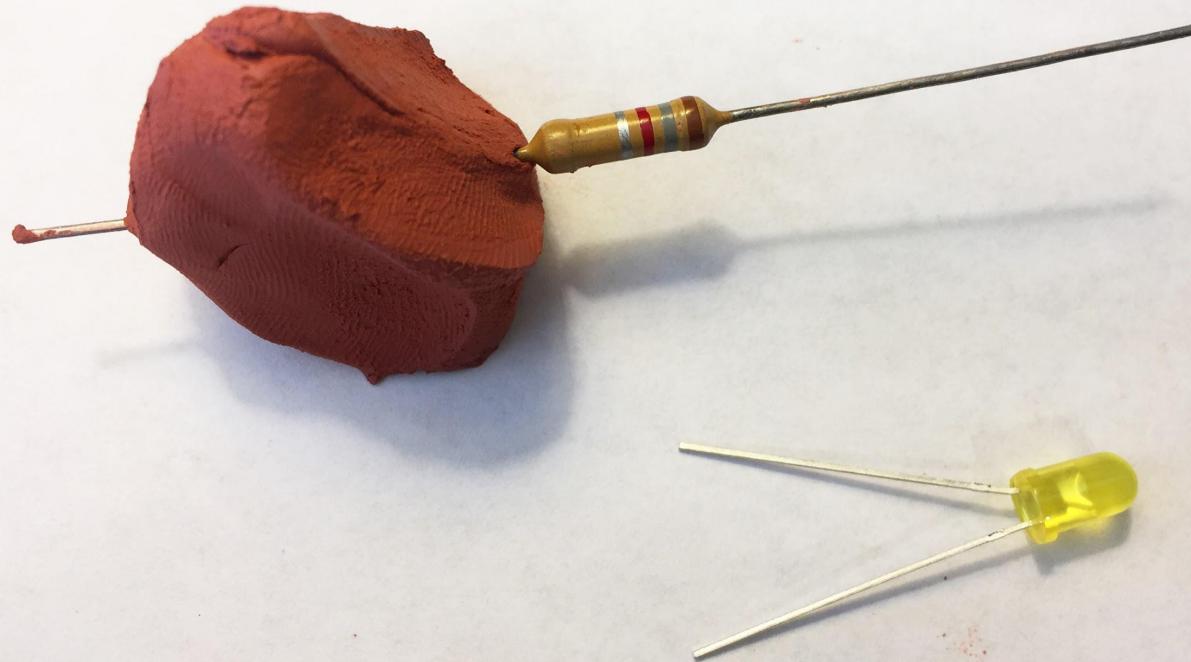
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Figure out which side of your LED is the anode and which is the cathode.

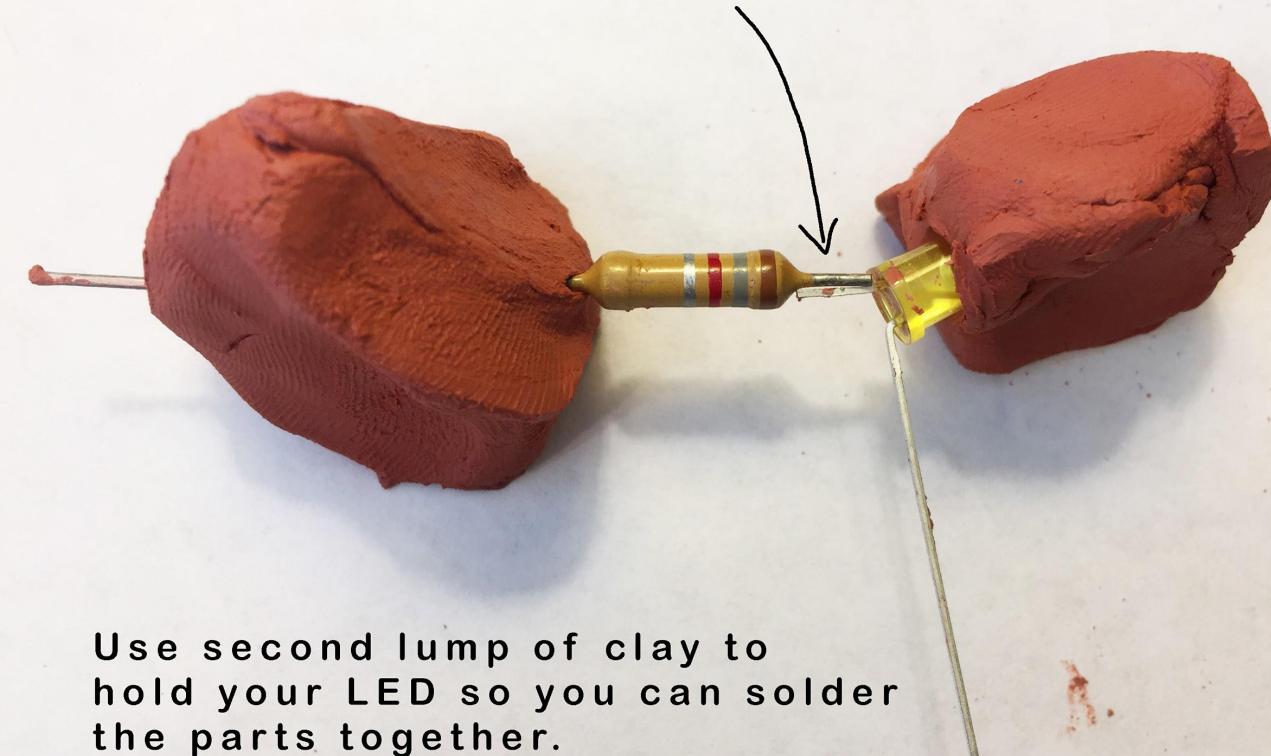
**Measure resistance
(anything from
100 ohm - 5K is OK)**



**Use a lump of water-based clay
to hold your resistor**

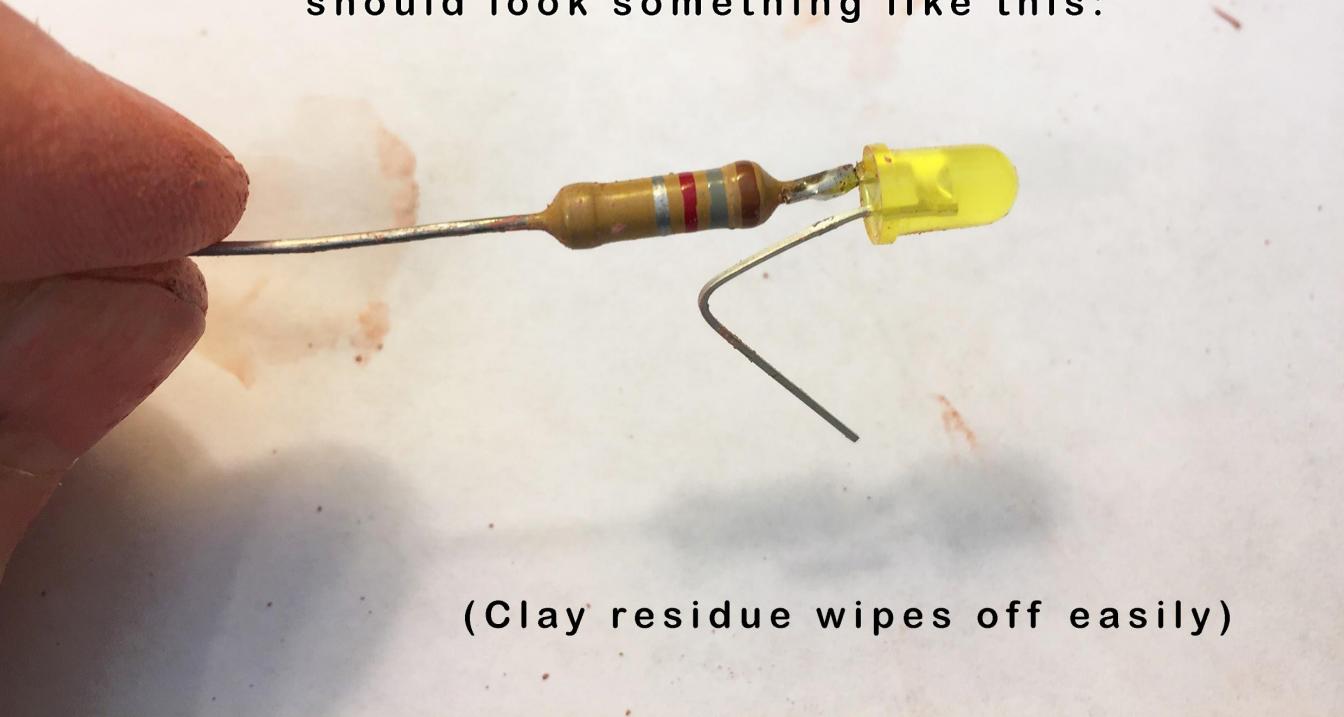


**Trim resistor and LED cathode
so the leads are short (fit together snugly)**

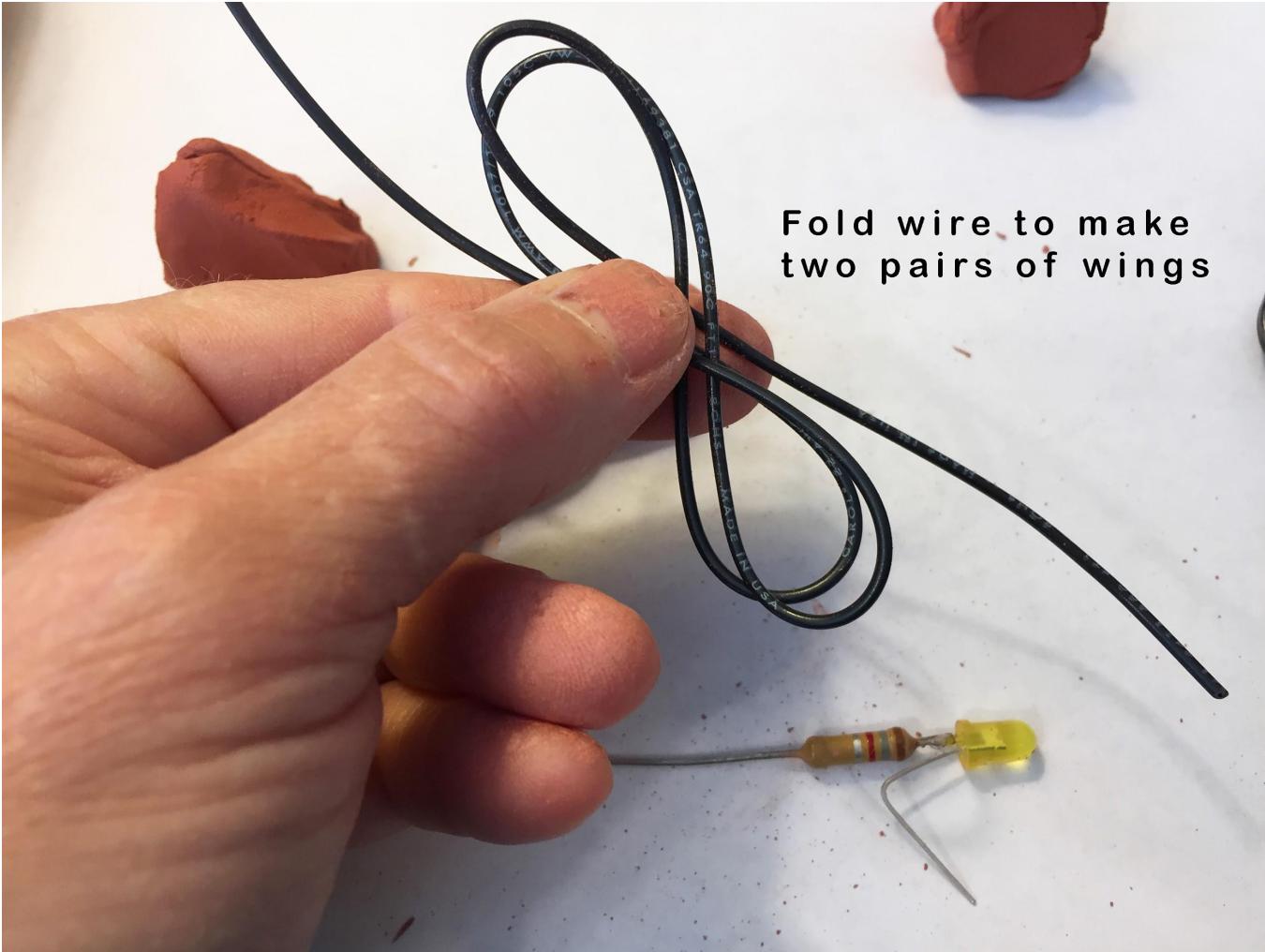


**Use second lump of clay to
hold your LED so you can solder
the parts together.**

Your soldered resistor / LED
should look something like this:

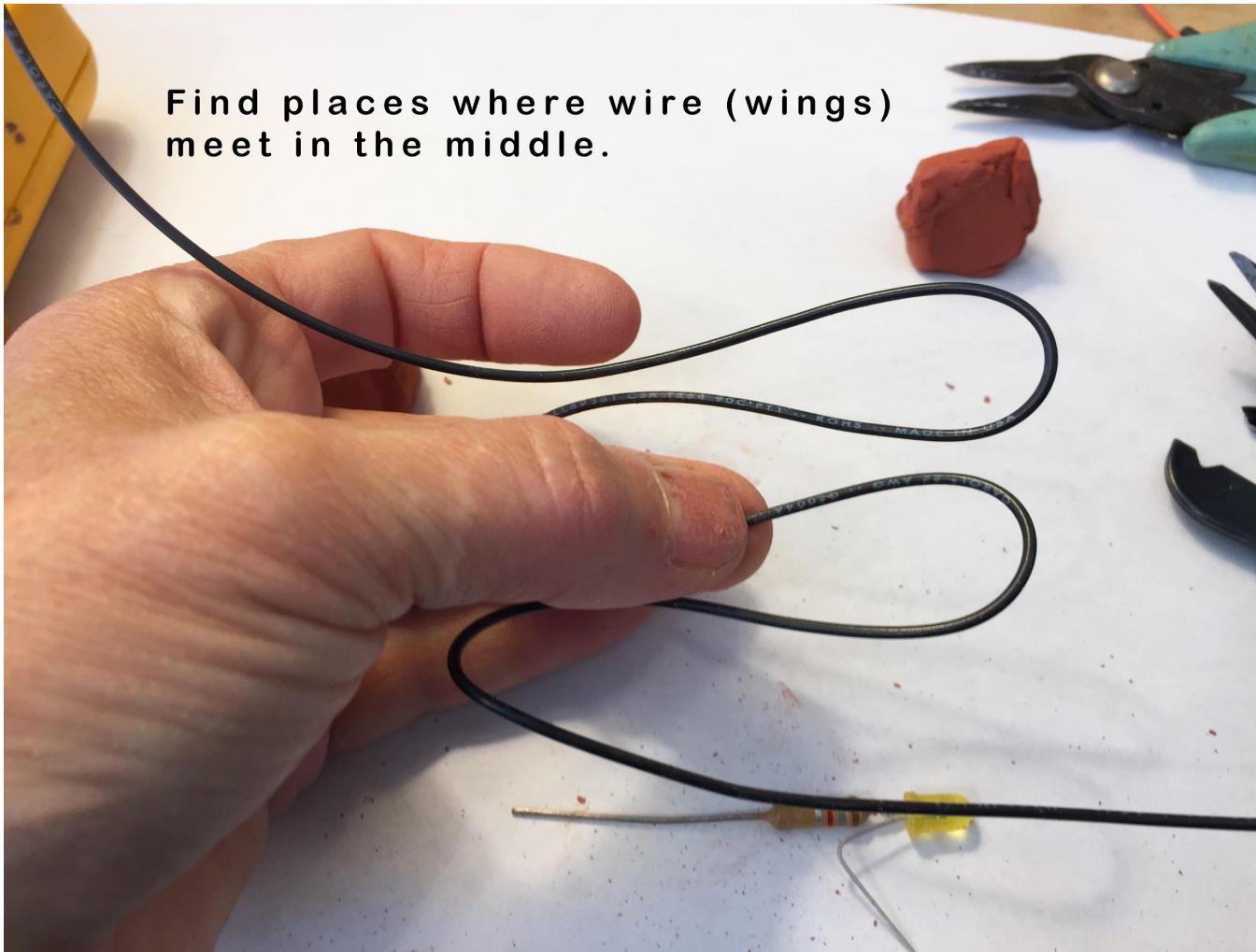


(Clay residue wipes off easily)

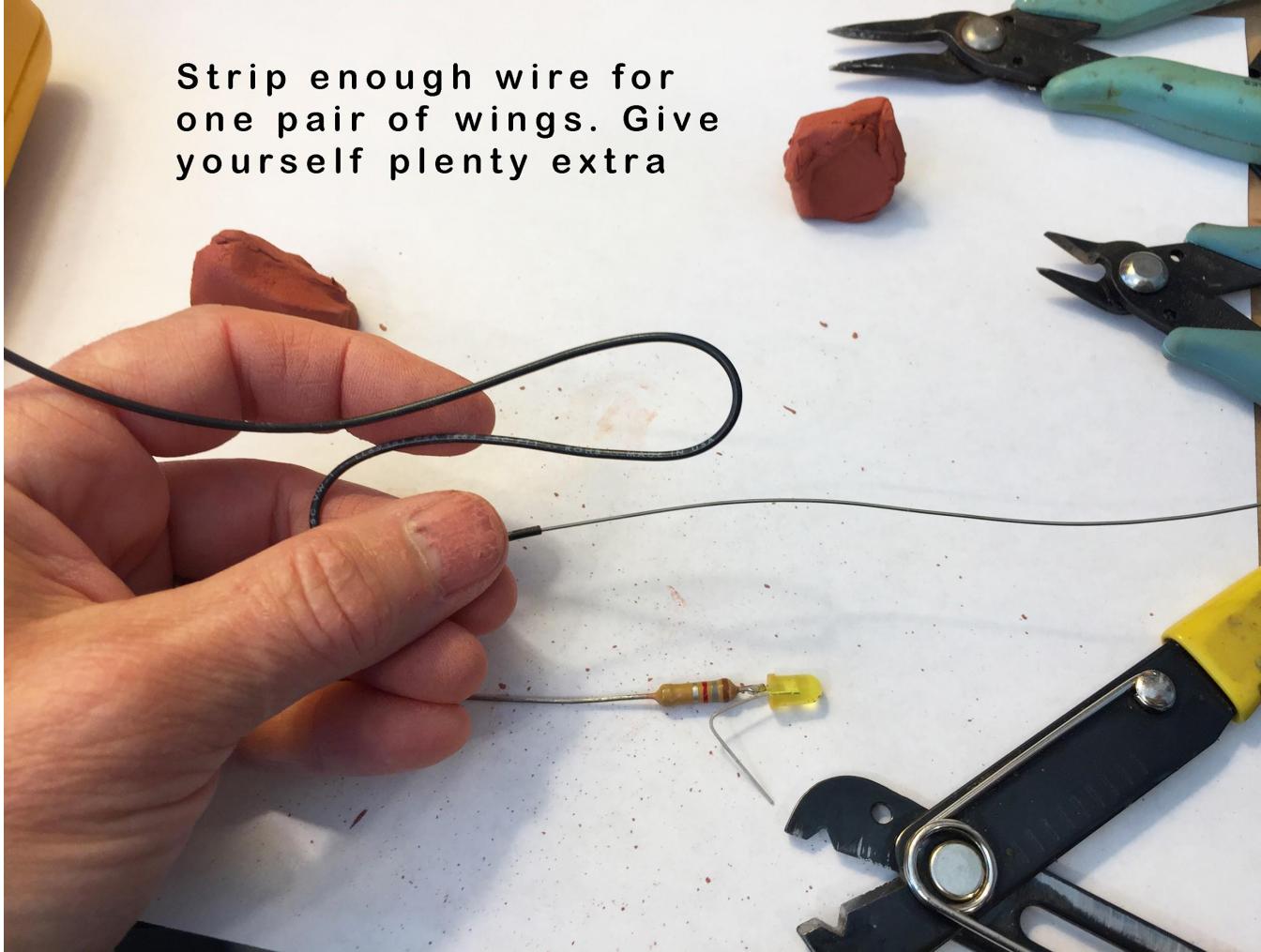


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**Find places where wire (wings)
meet in the middle.**



Strip enough wire for
one pair of wings. Give
yourself plenty extra

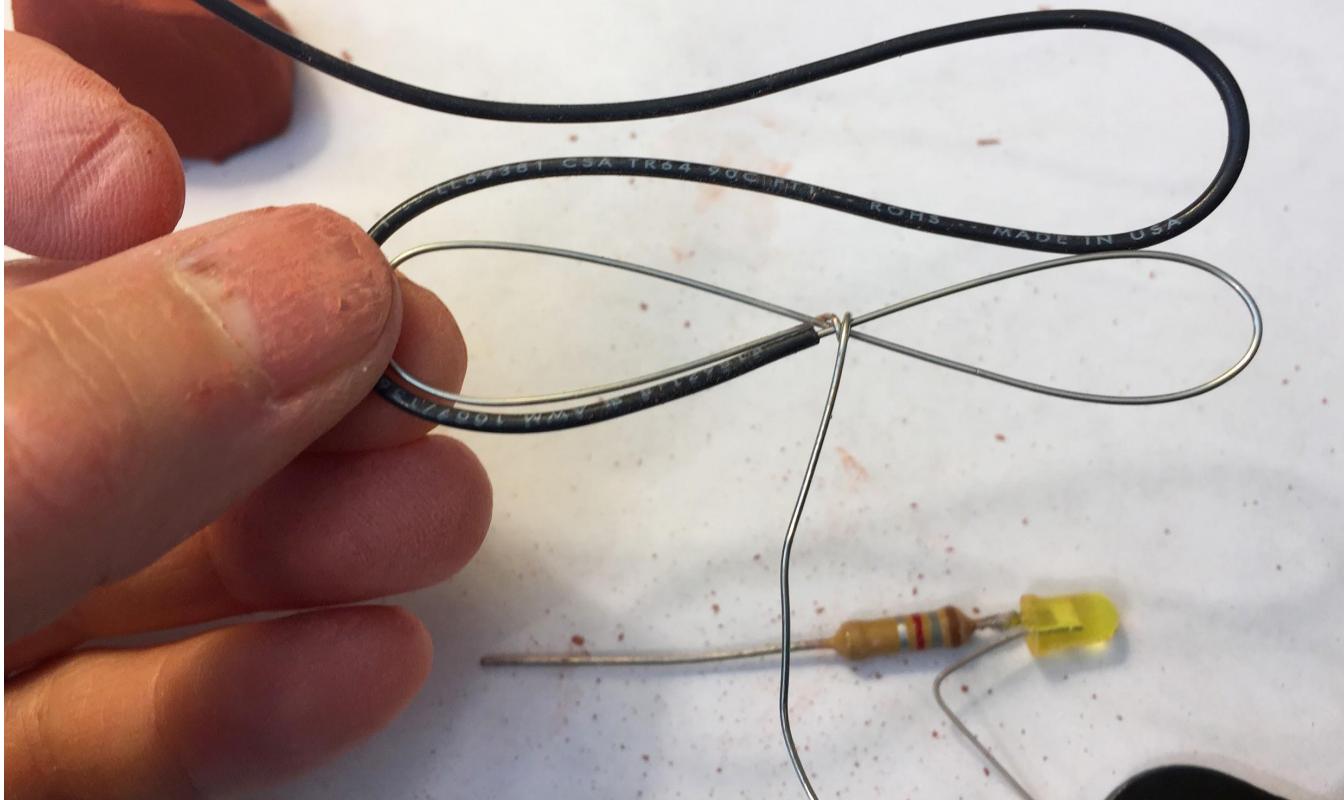


Make something that
looks like this:

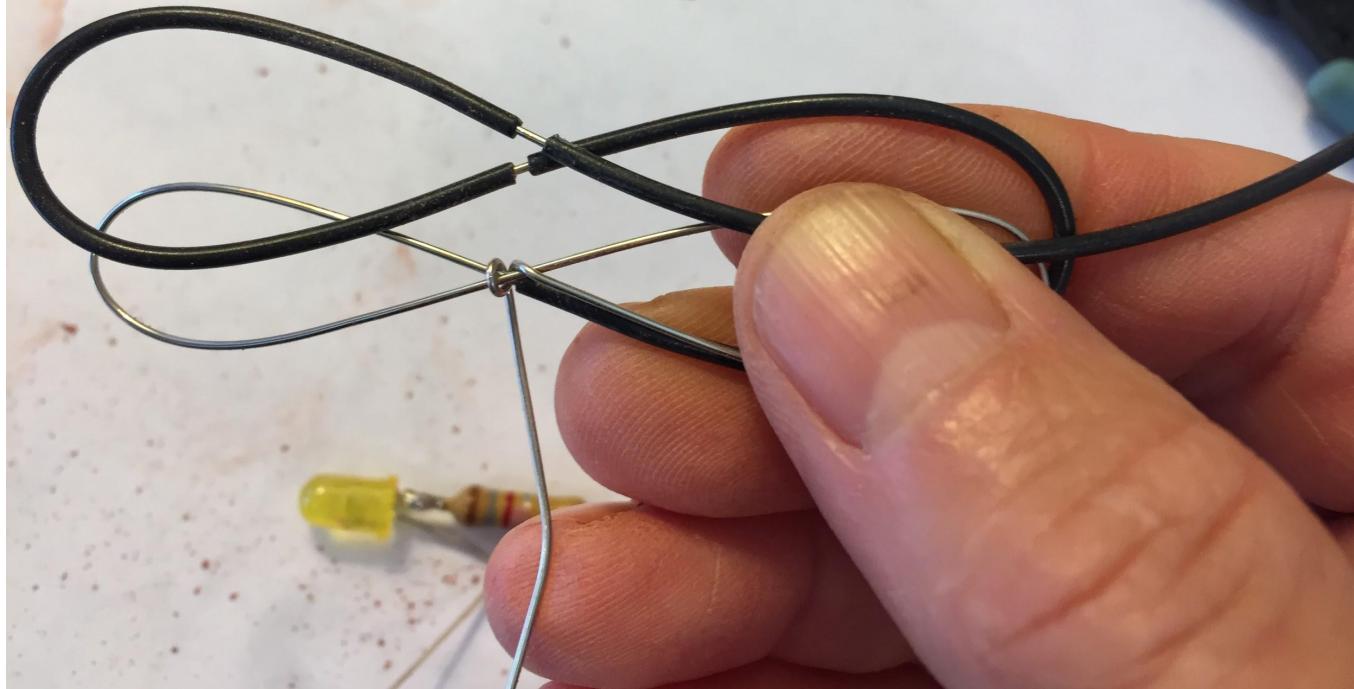


Plenty of extra!

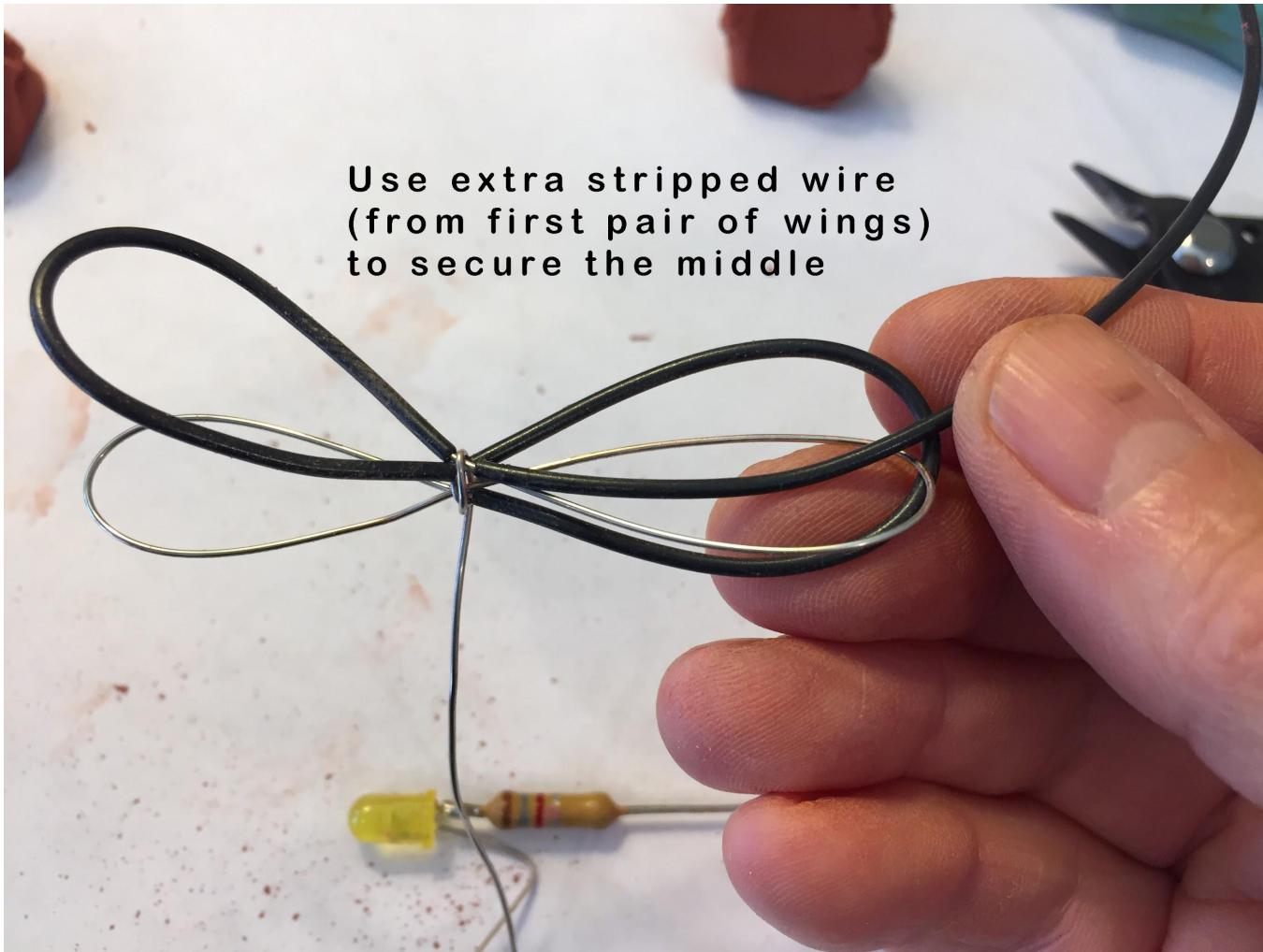
Twist the stripped wire into a wing-like shape (same size as other wing pair).

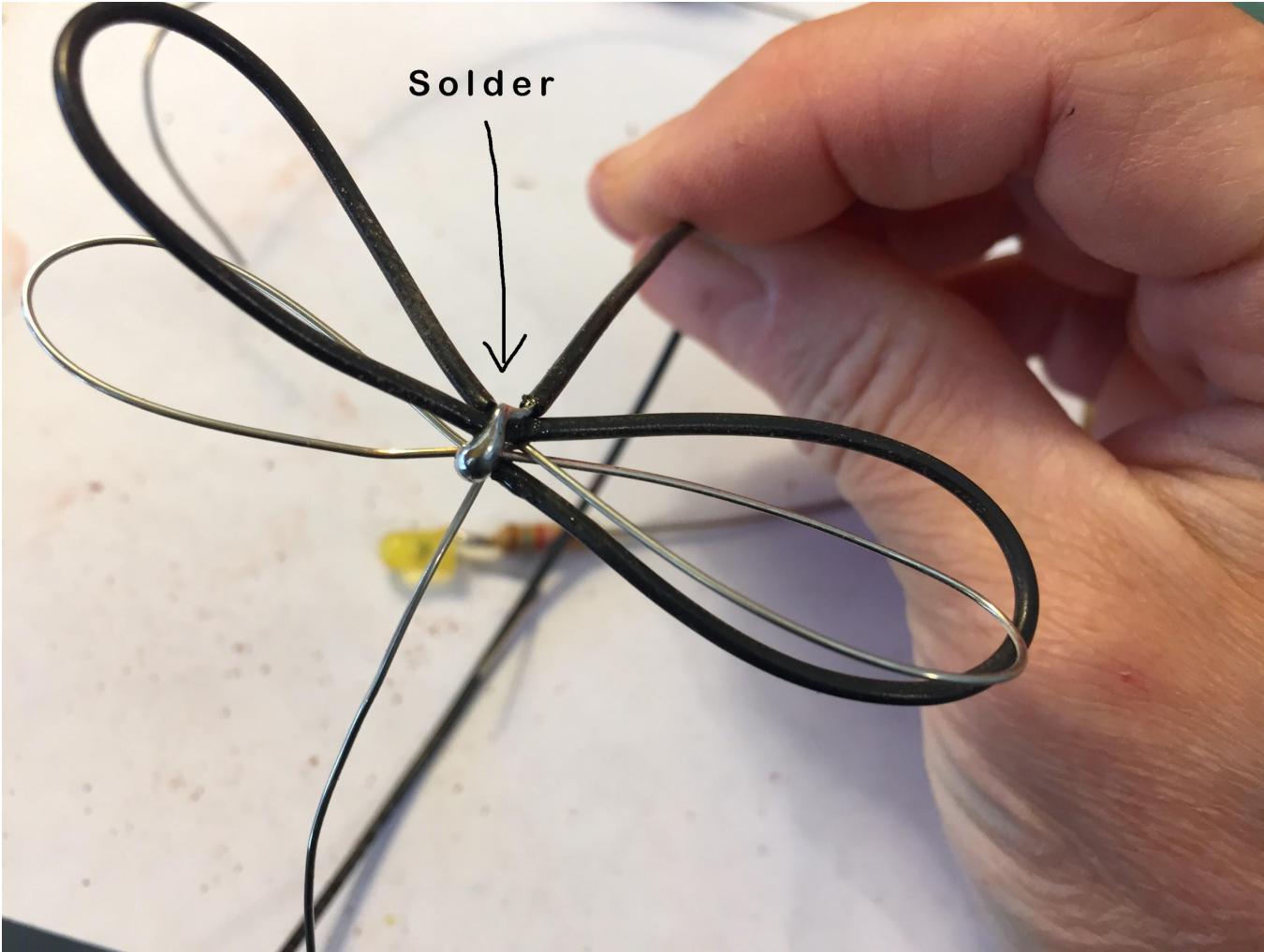


**Gently strip segments as shown
(so everything meets at center and
wings are about the same size)**

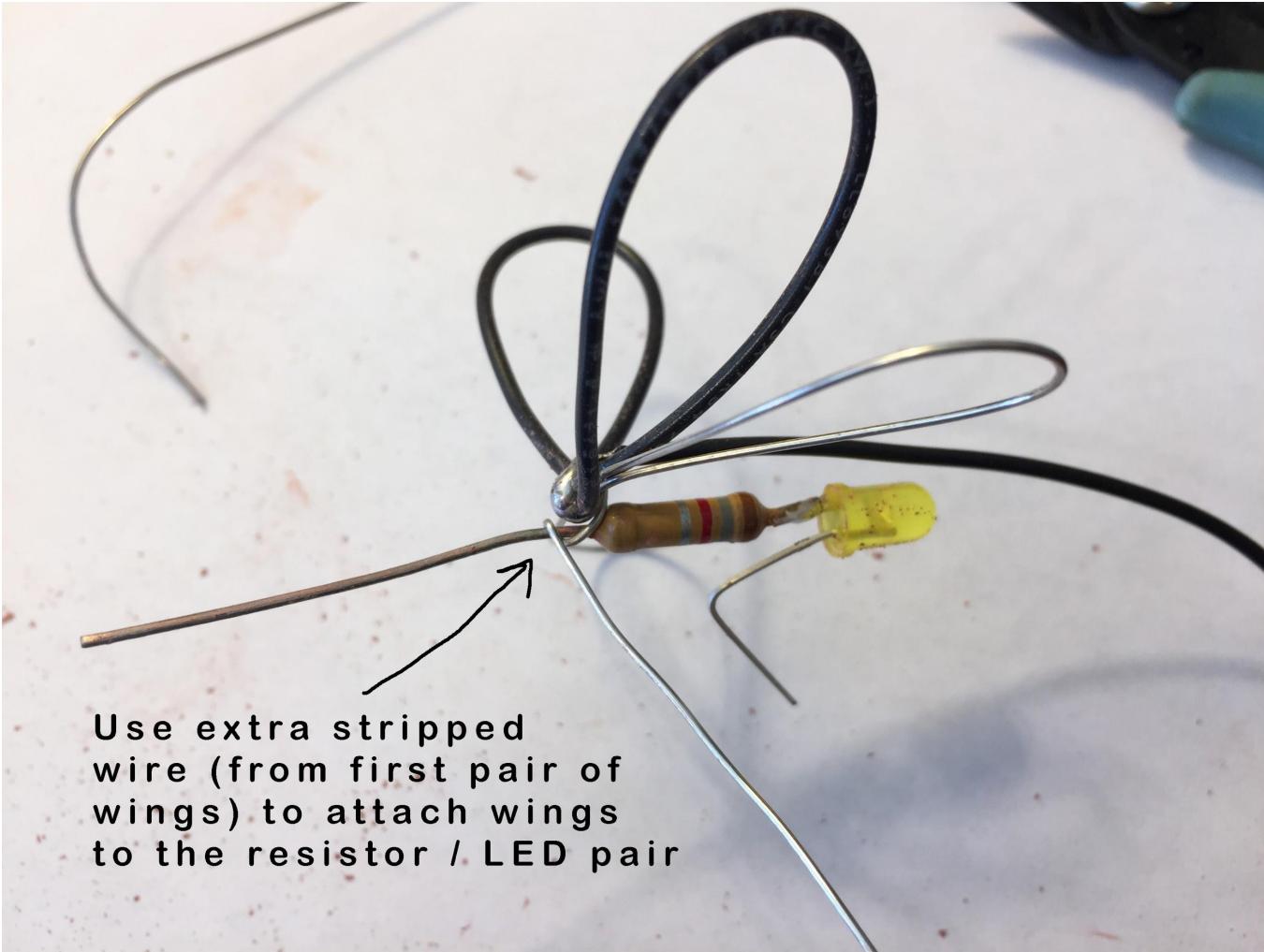


**Use extra stripped wire
(from first pair of wings)
to secure the middle**





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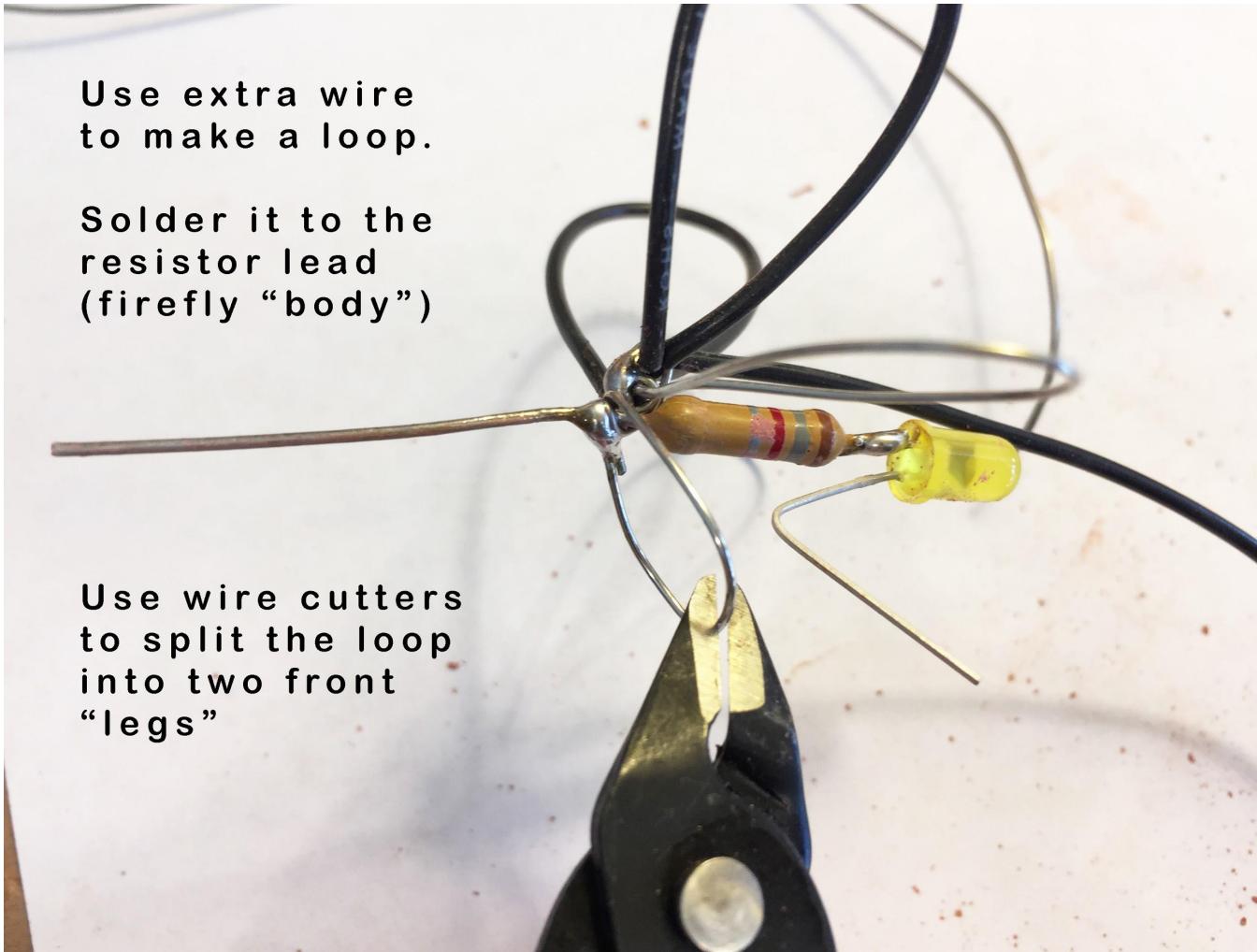


**Use extra stripped
wire (from first pair of
wings) to attach wings
to the resistor / LED pair**

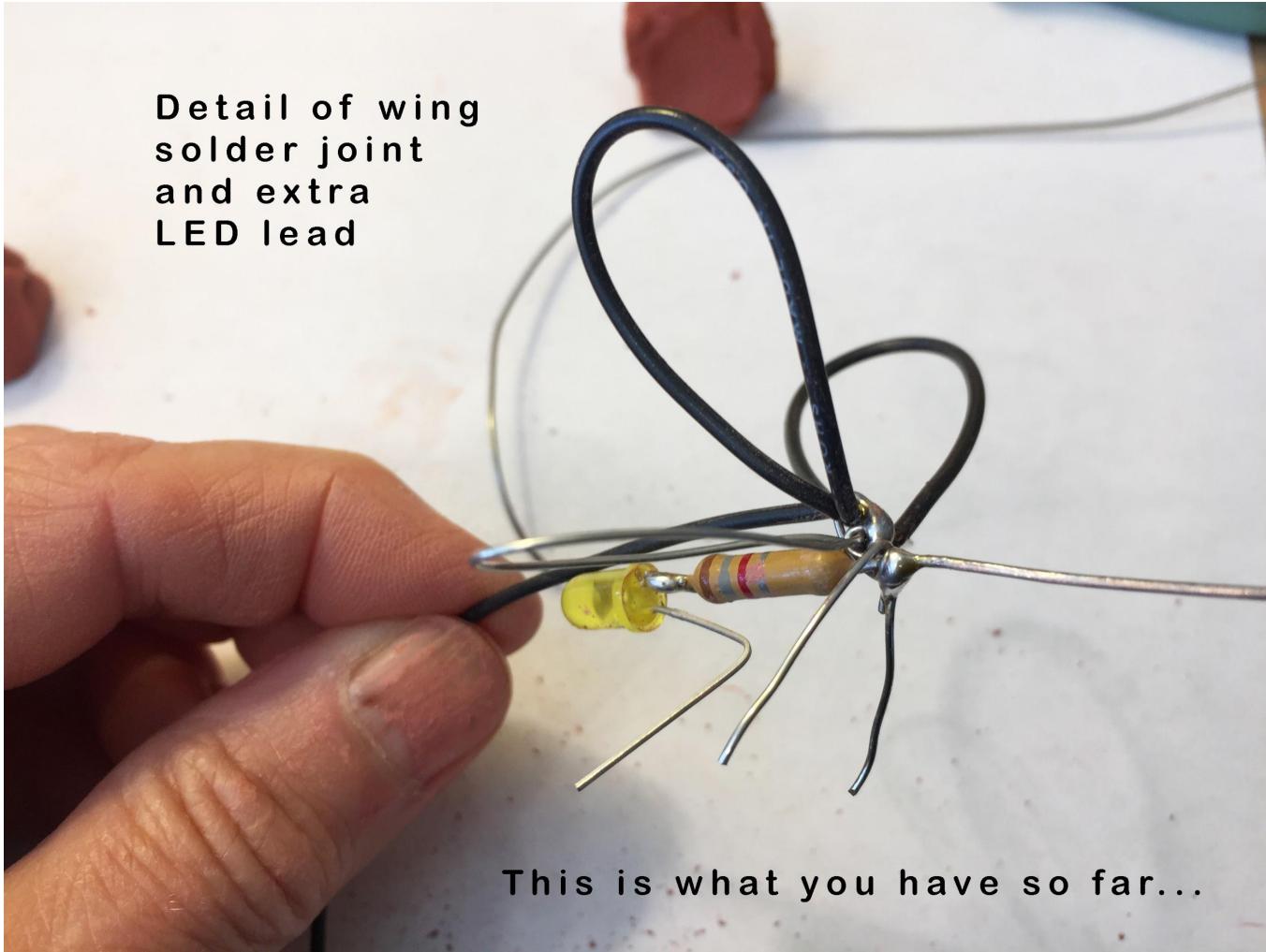
**Use extra wire
to make a loop.**

**Solder it to the
resistor lead
(firefly “body”)**

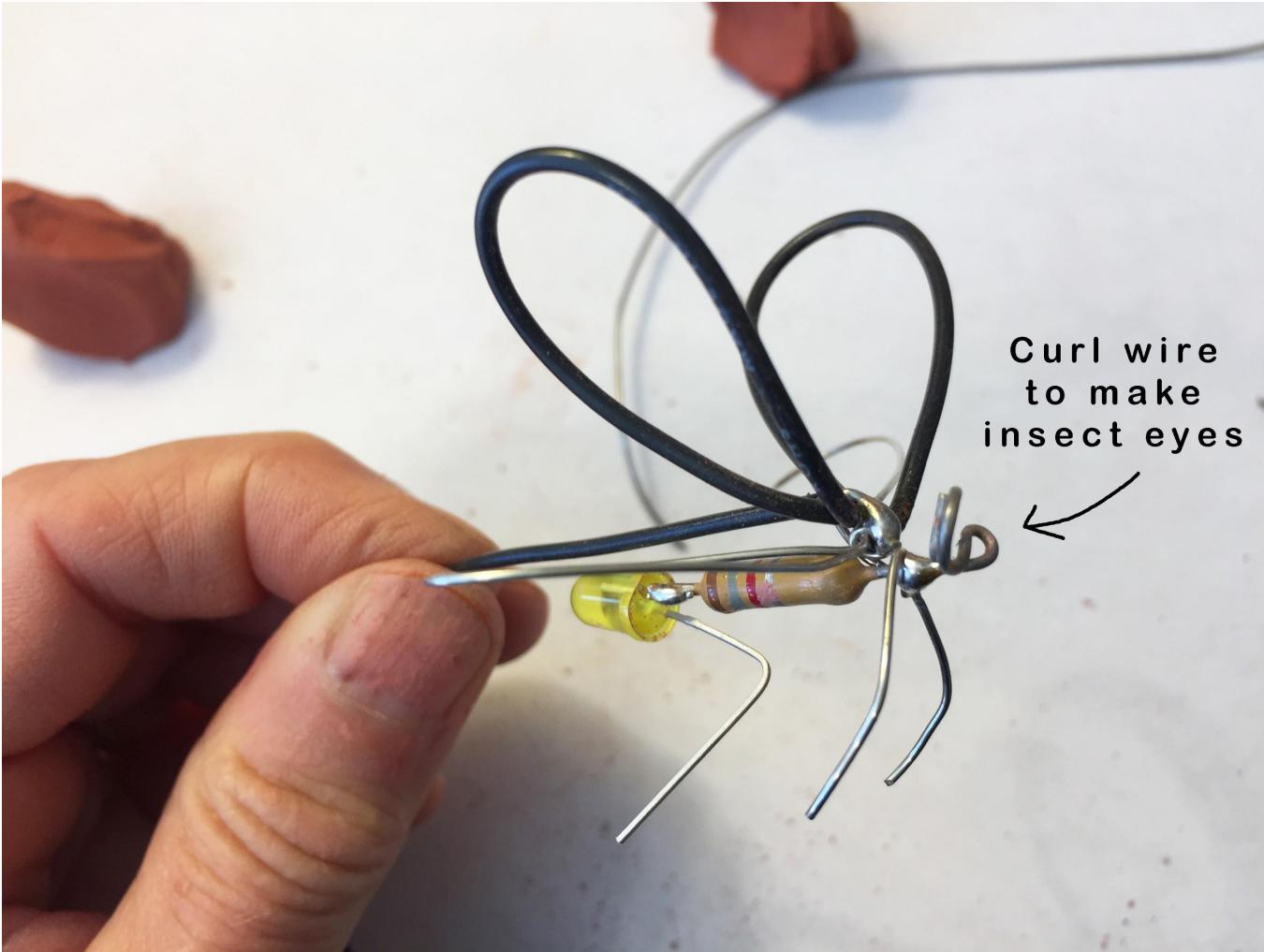
**Use wire cutters
to split the loop
into two front
“legs”**

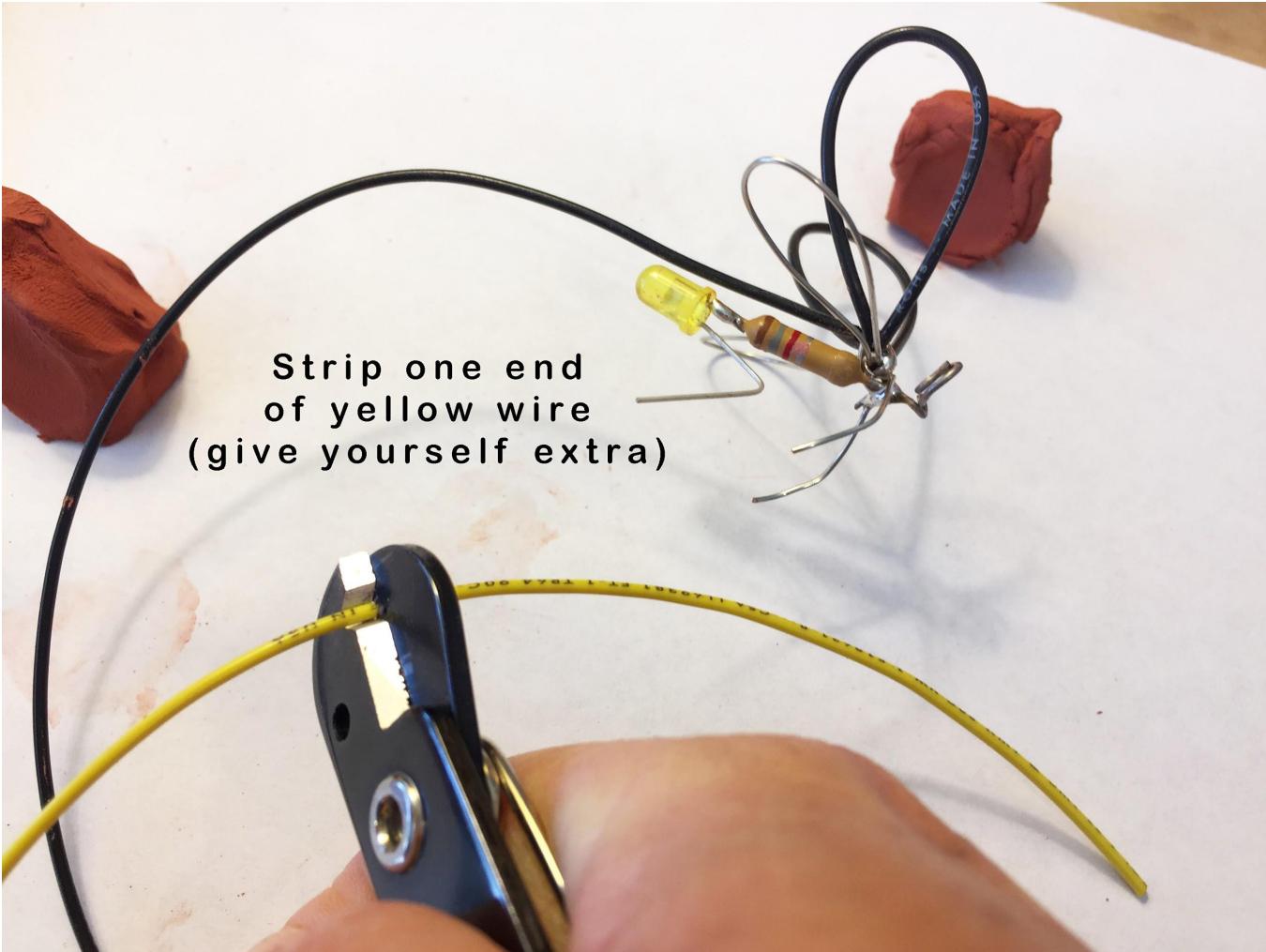


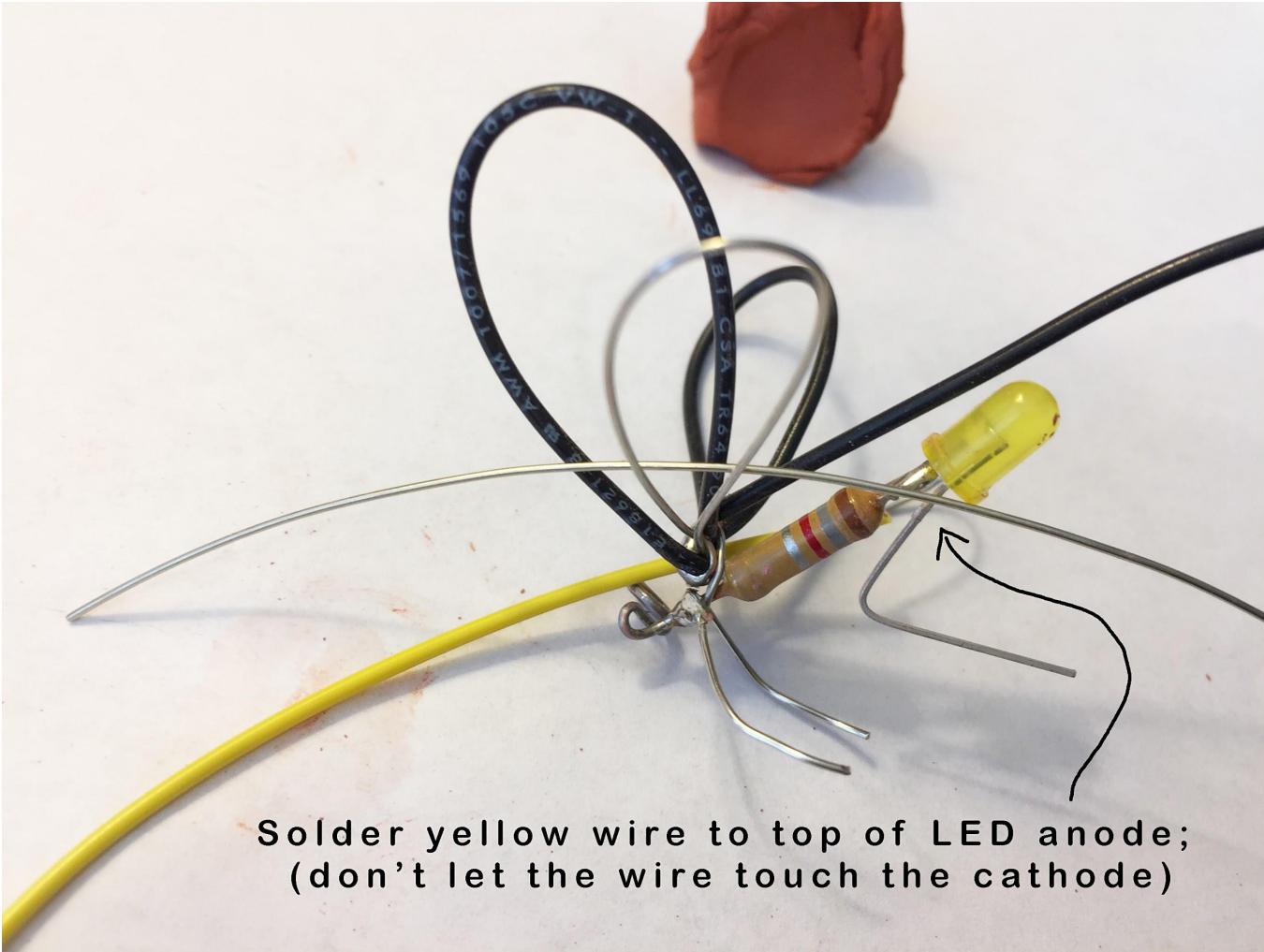
**Detail of wing
solder joint
and extra
LED lead**



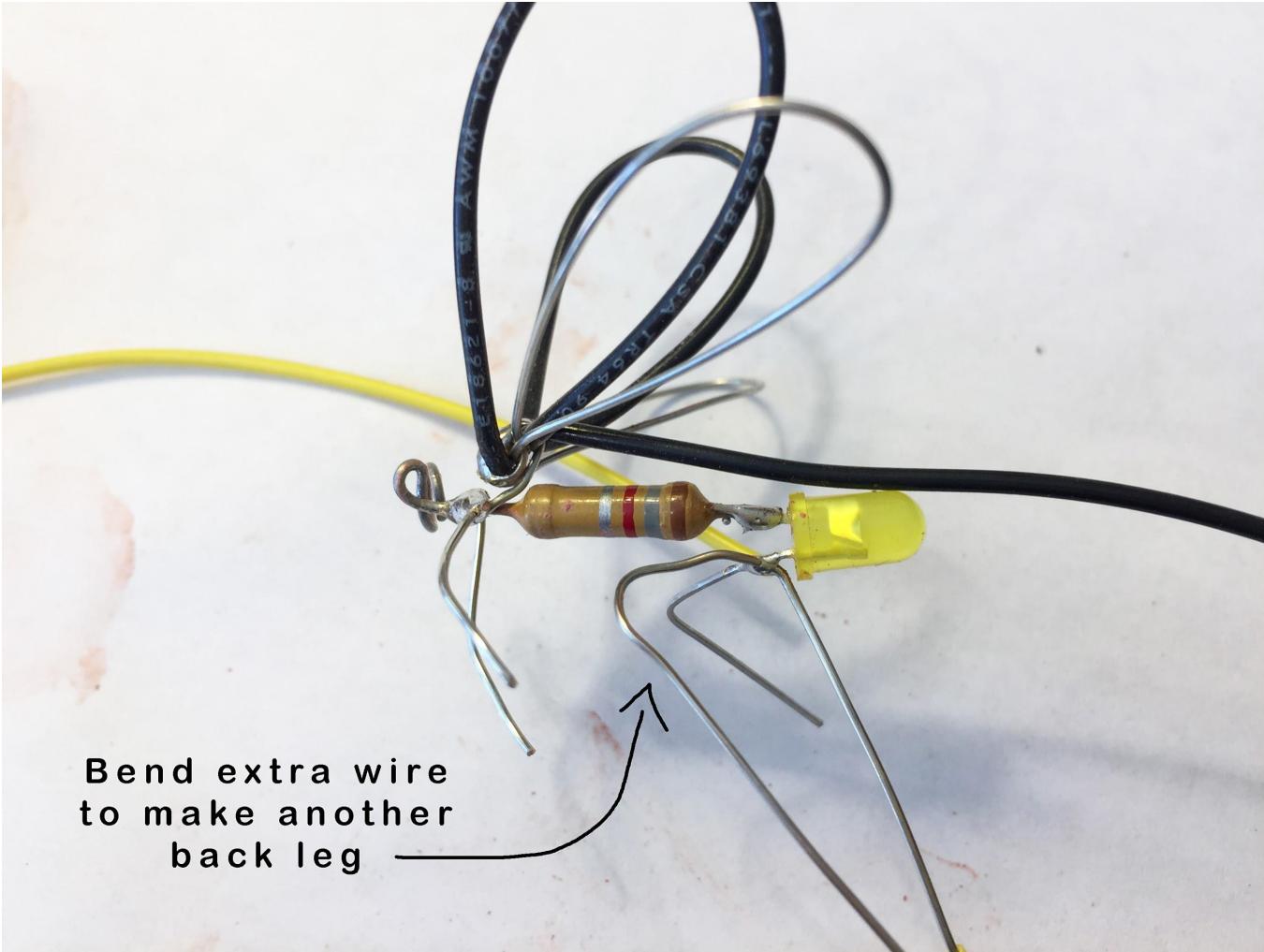
This is what you have so far...



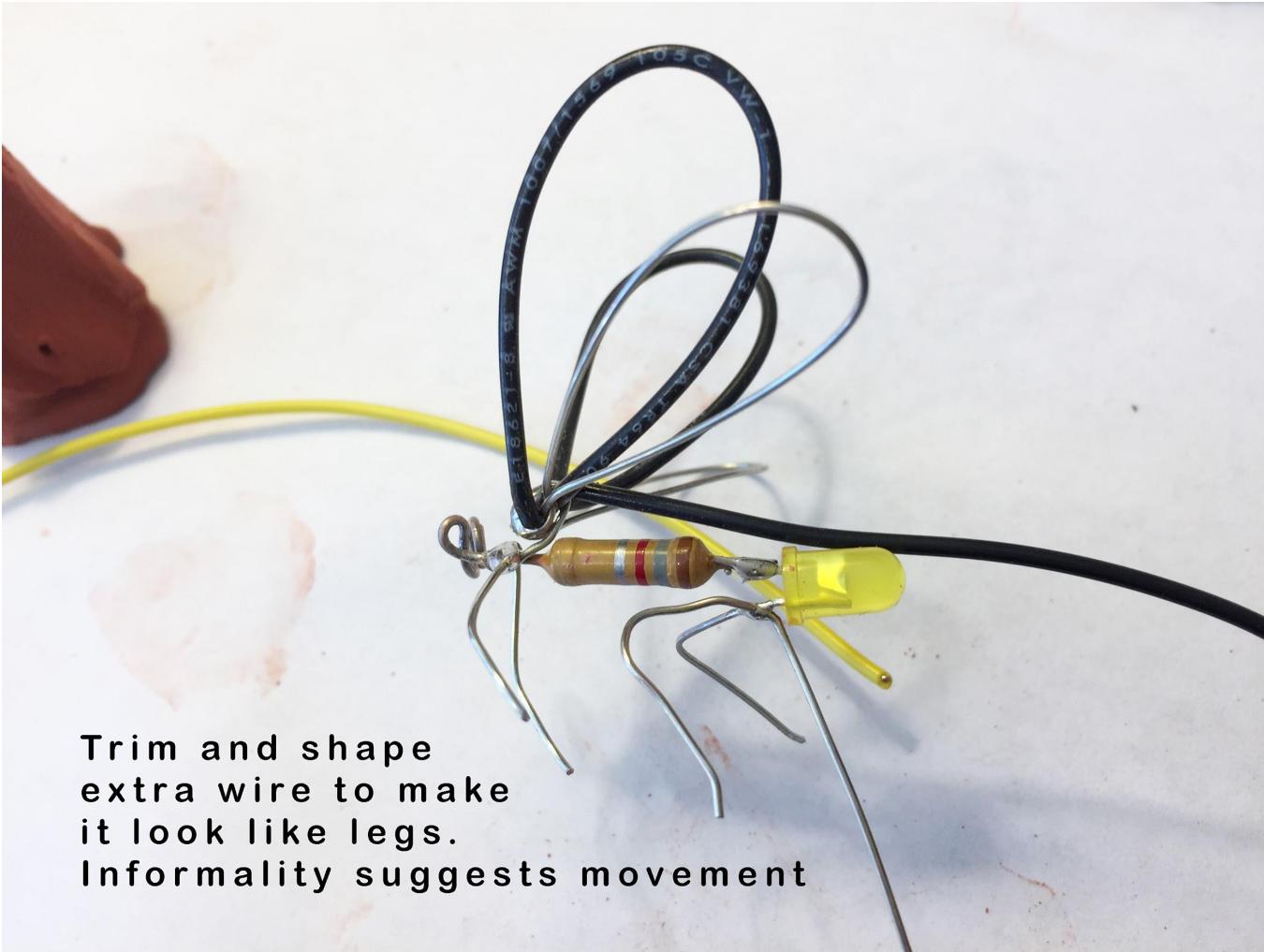




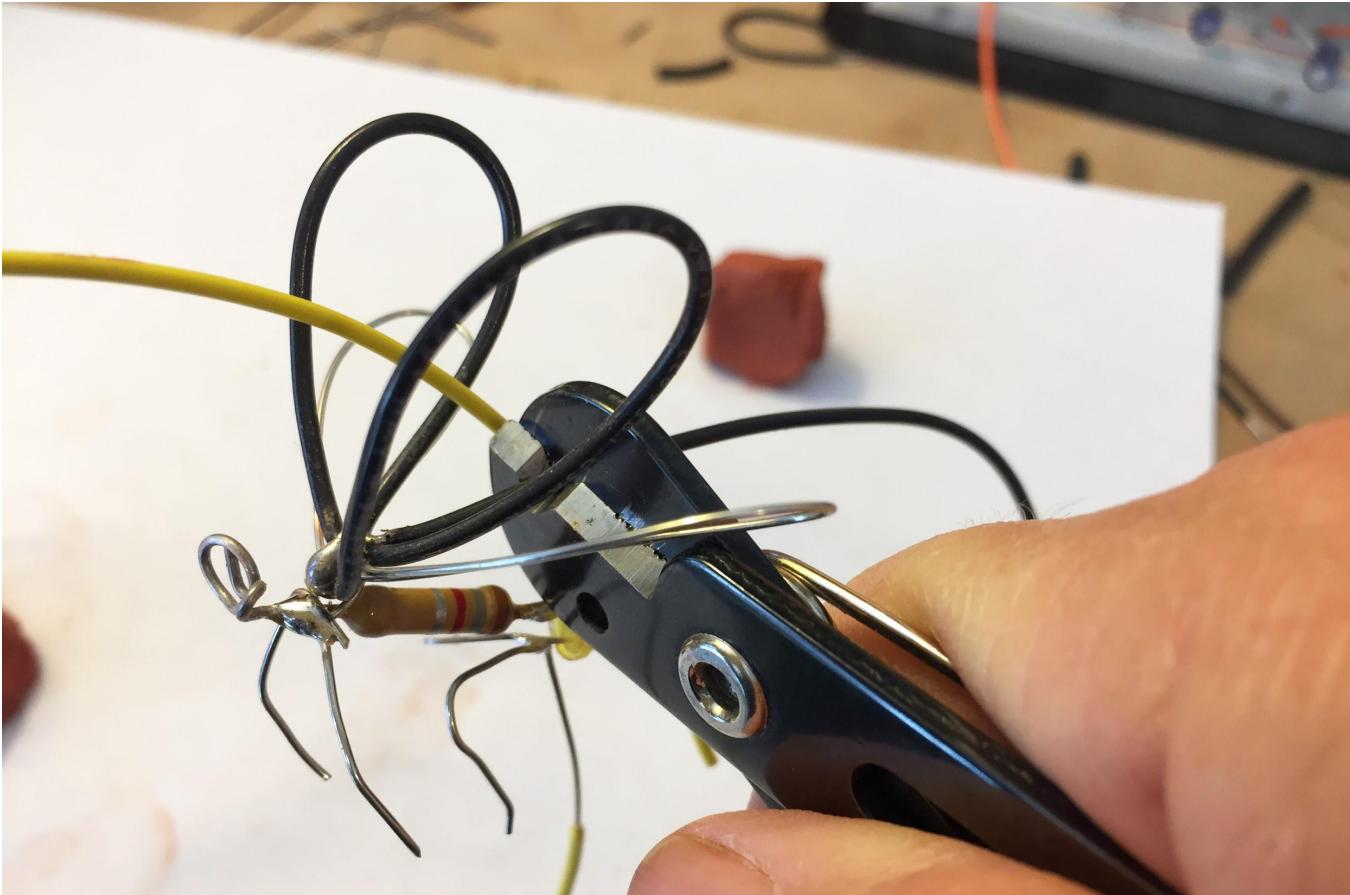
Solder yellow wire to top of LED anode;
(don't let the wire touch the cathode)



Bend extra wire
to make another
back leg

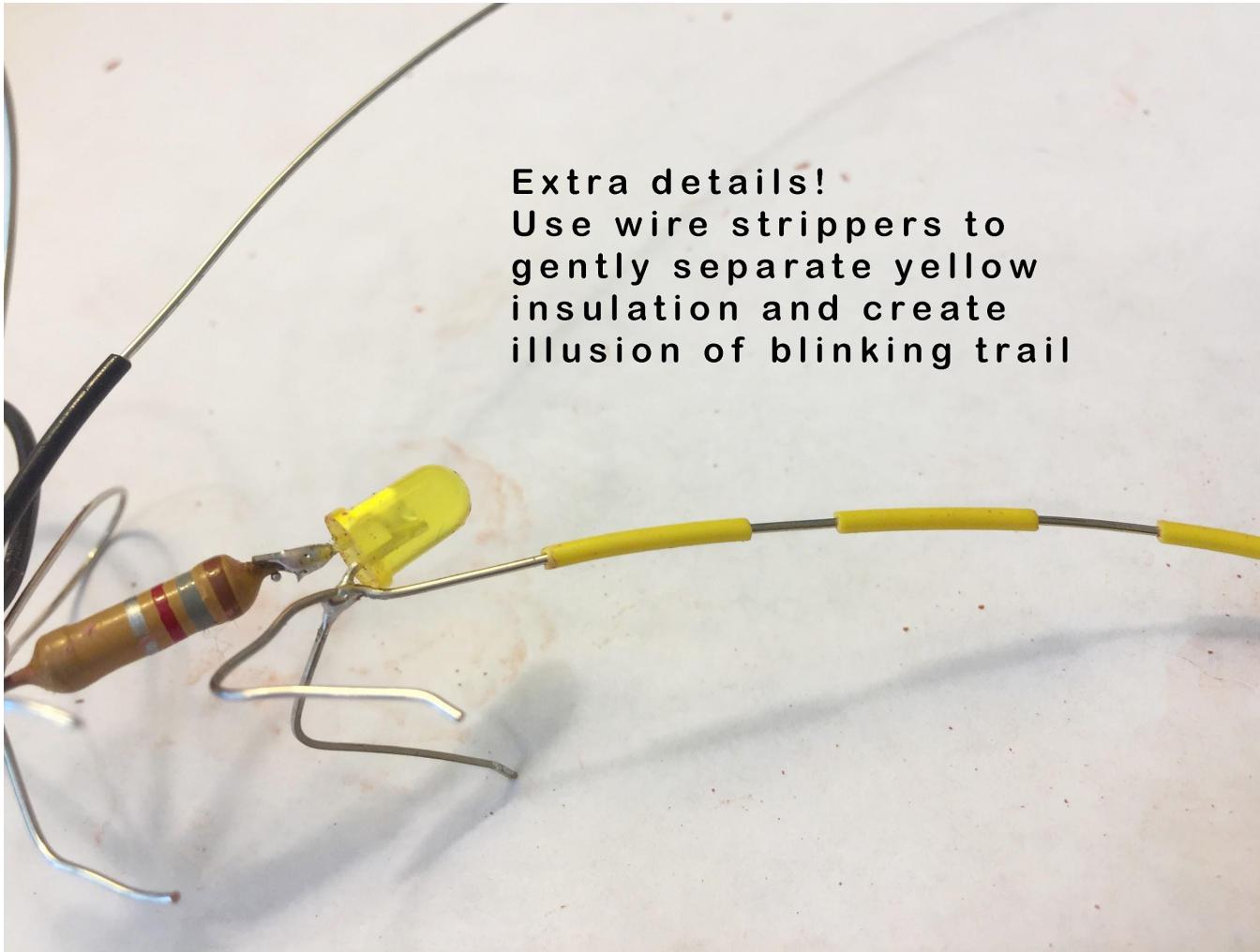


Trim and shape
extra wire to make
it look like legs.
Informality suggests movement

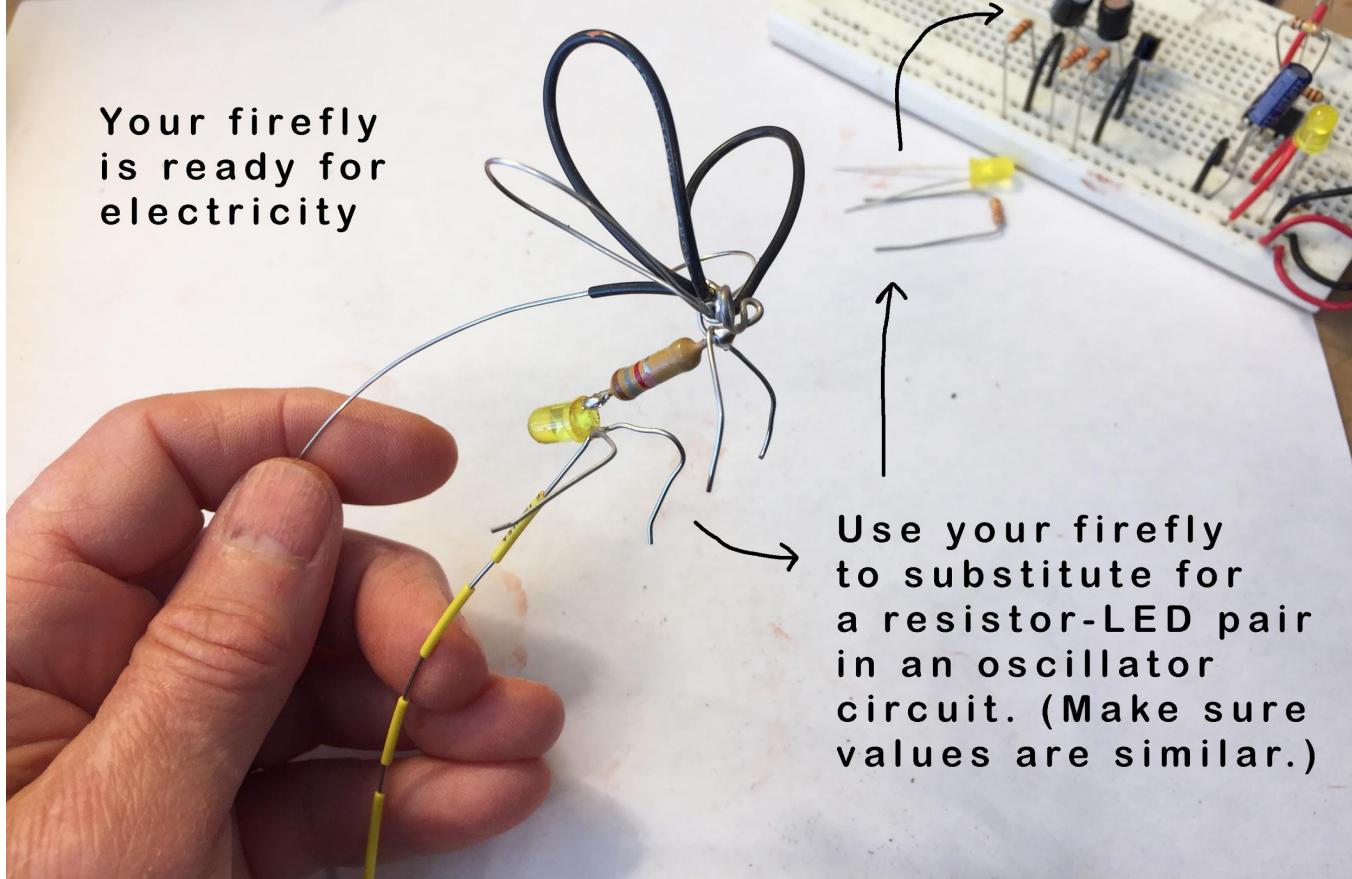


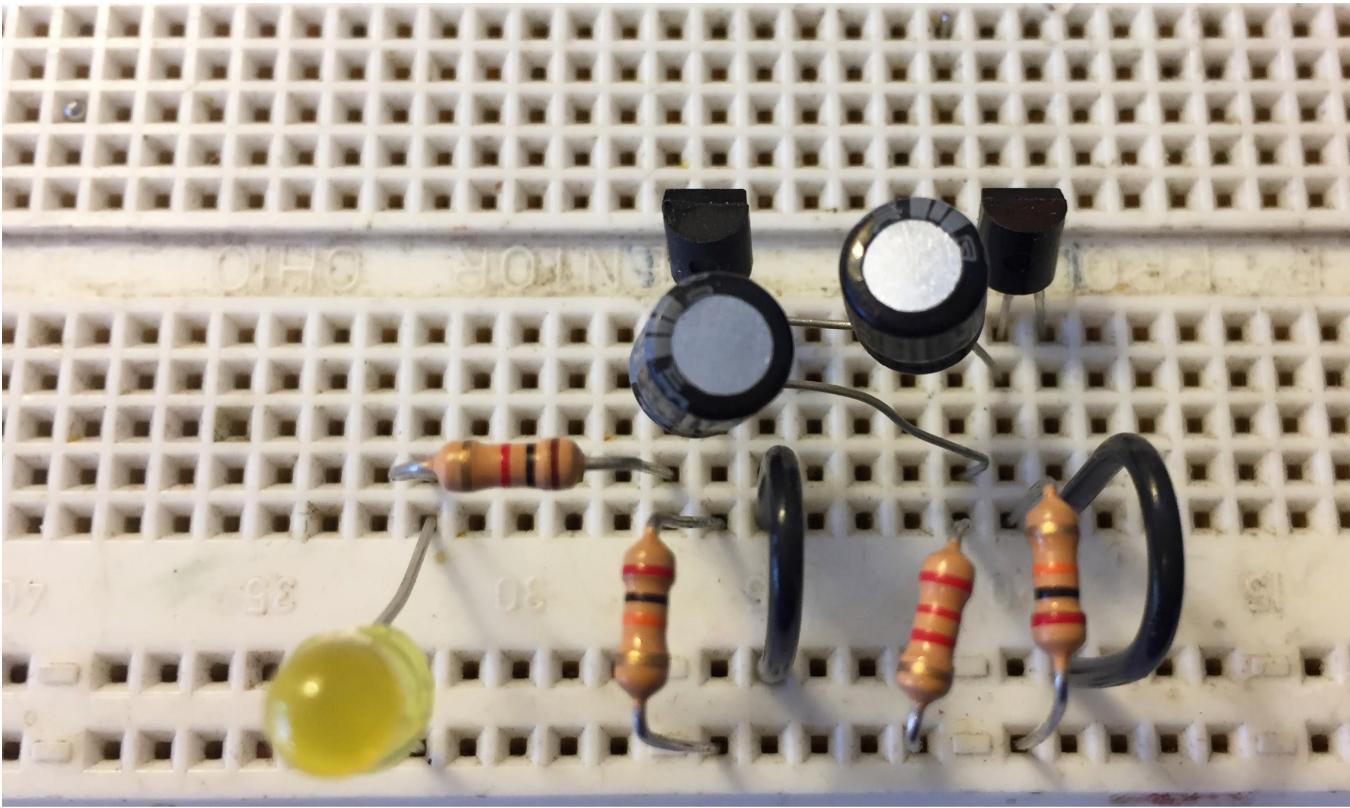
Gently strip black wire (silver “flight trail”)

Extra details!
Use wire strippers to
gently separate yellow
insulation and create
illusion of blinking trail

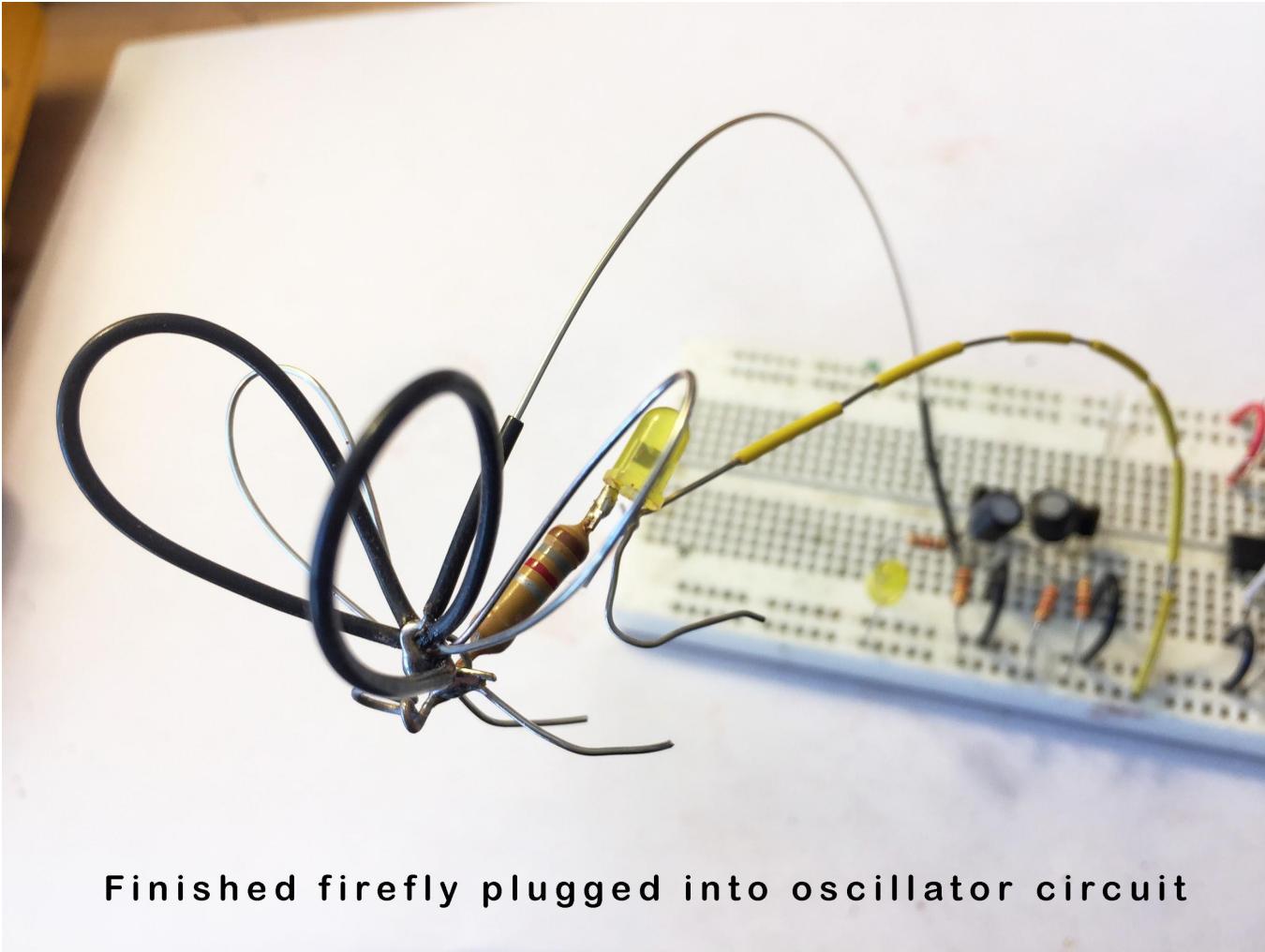


Your firefly
is ready for
electricity



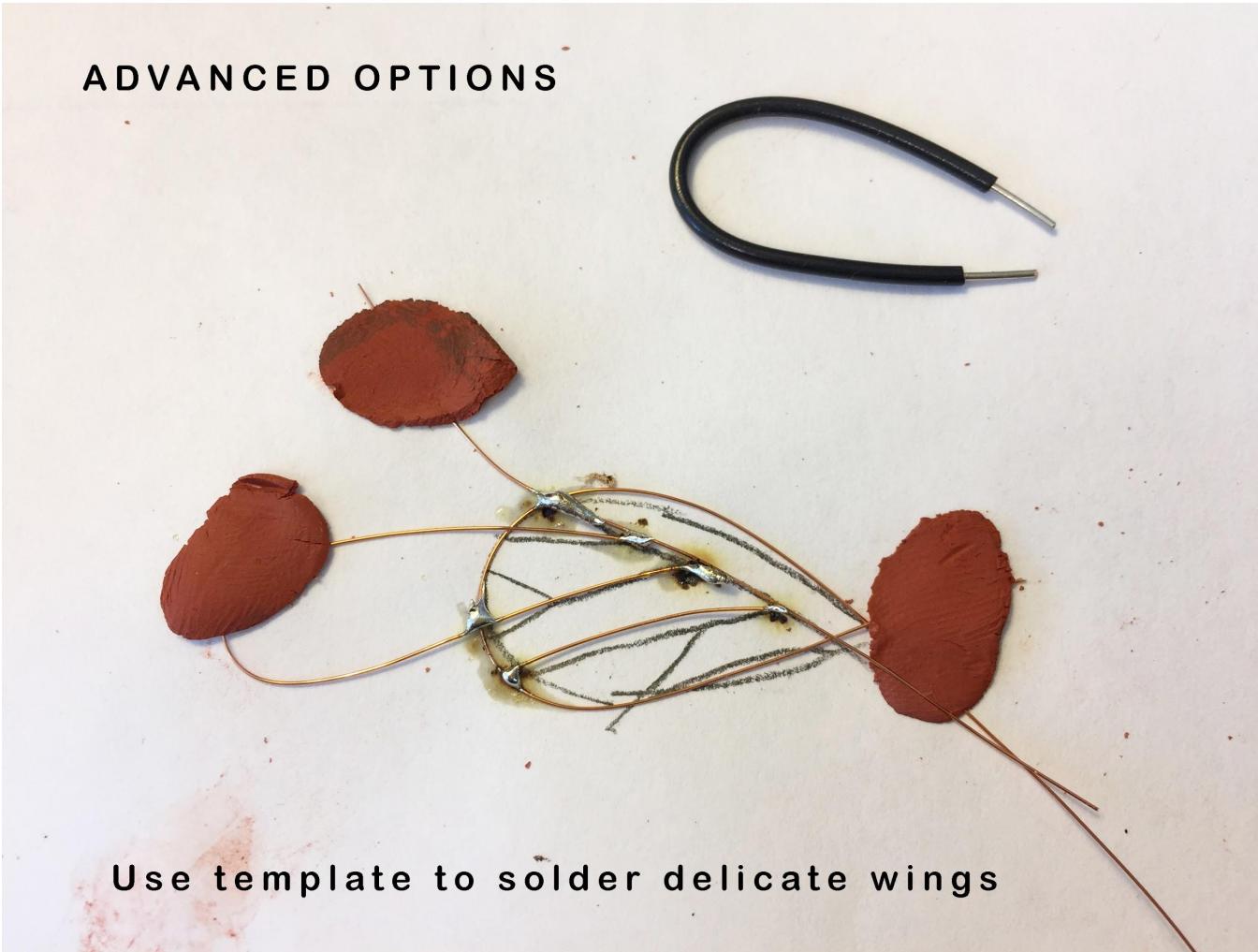


Build an astable multivibrator



Finished firefly plugged into oscillator circuit

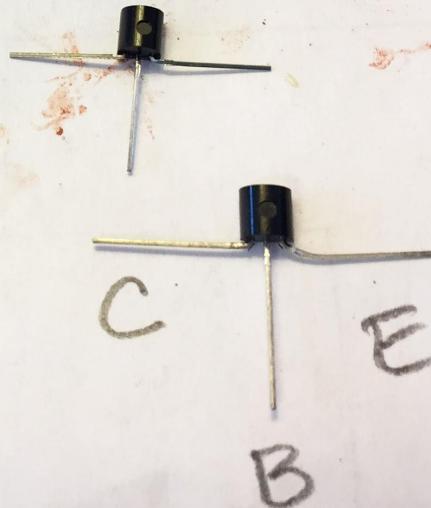
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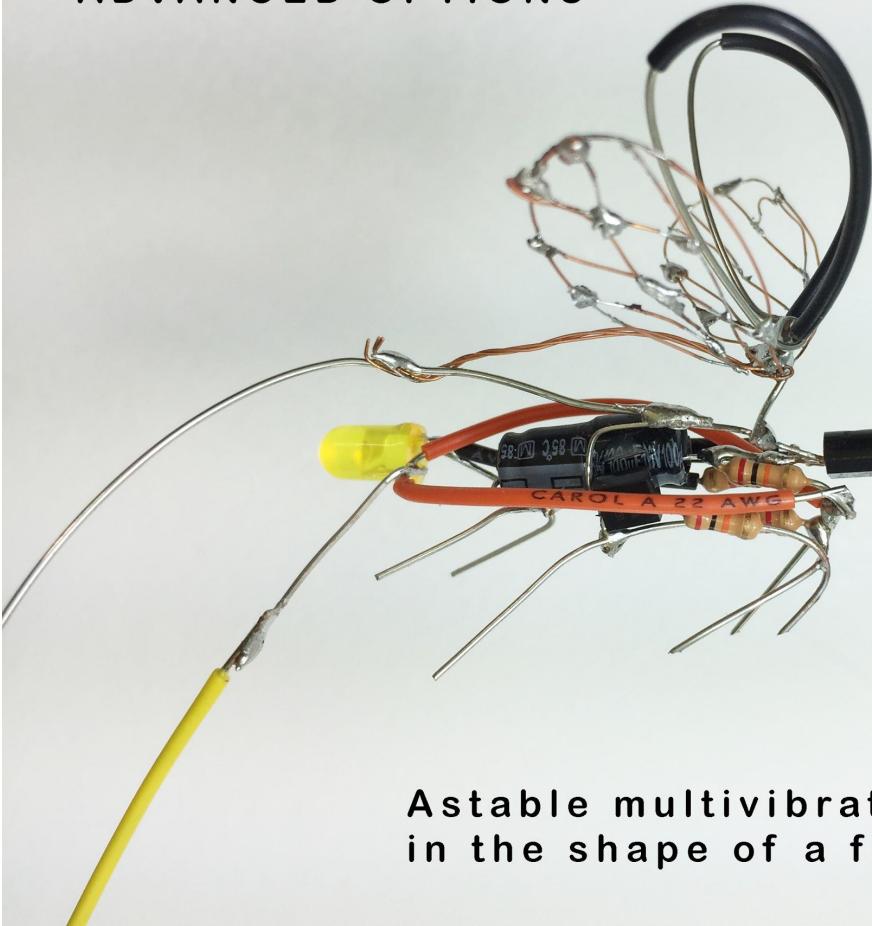
Use template to solder delicate wings

ADVANCED OPTIONS

Build an
astable multivibrator
in the shape of a firefly

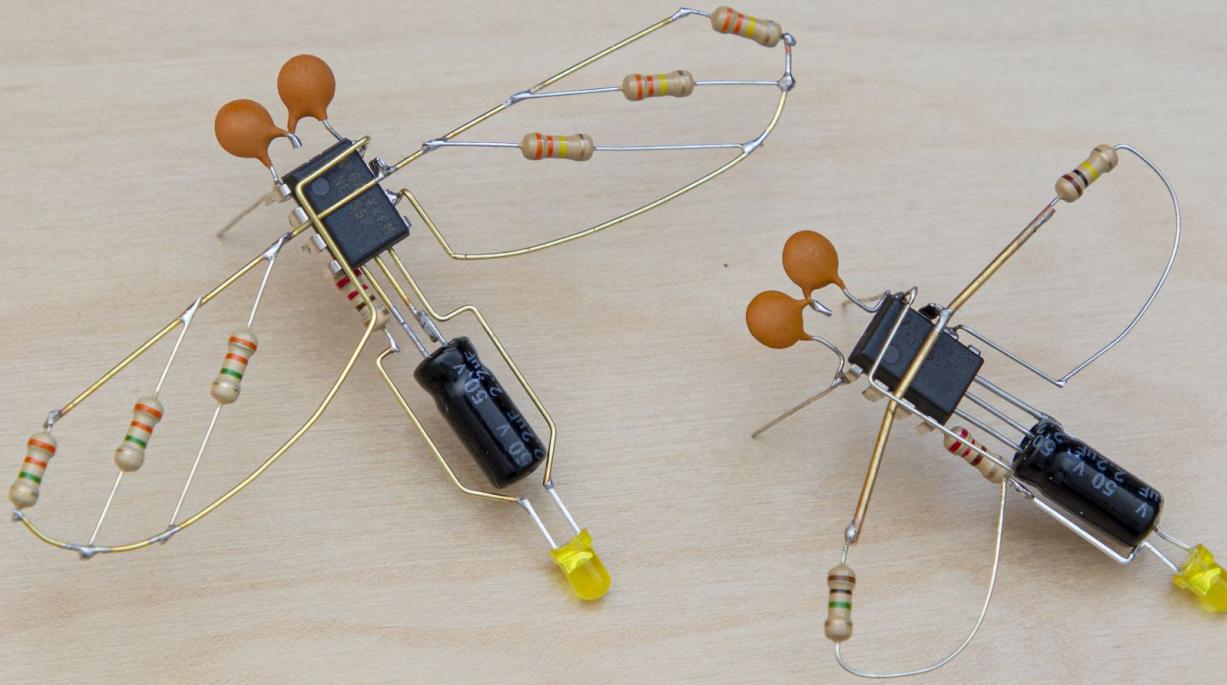


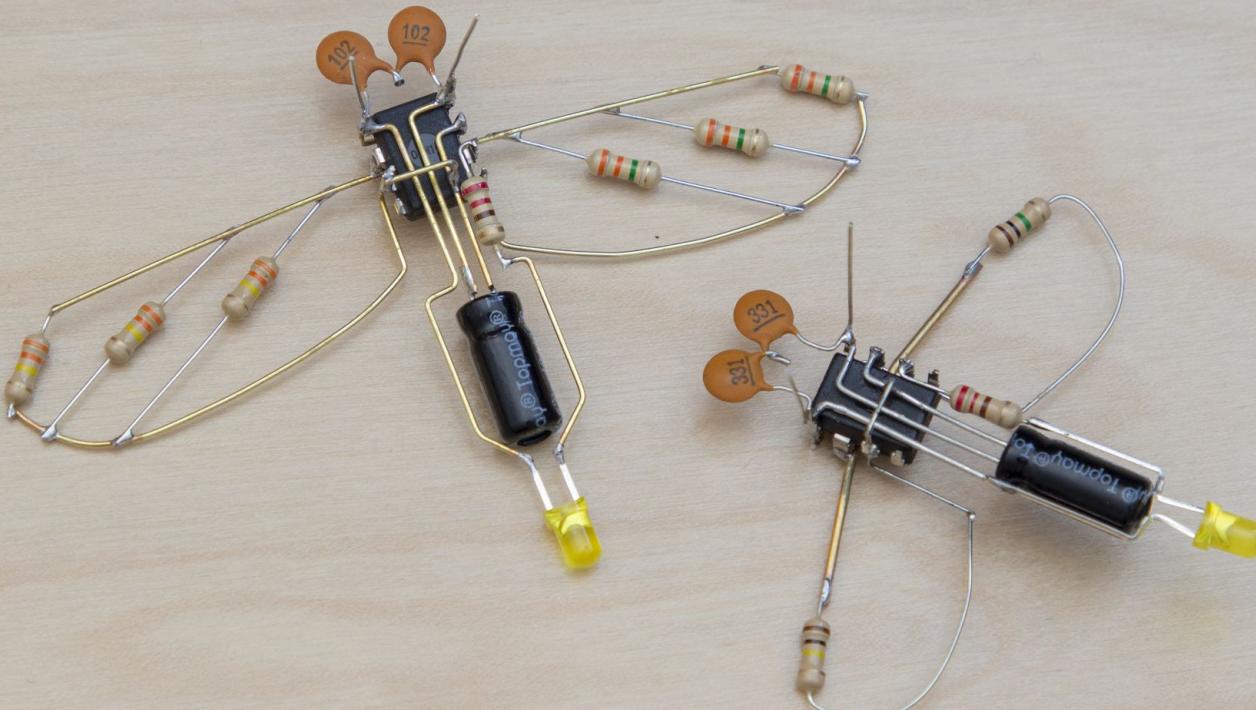
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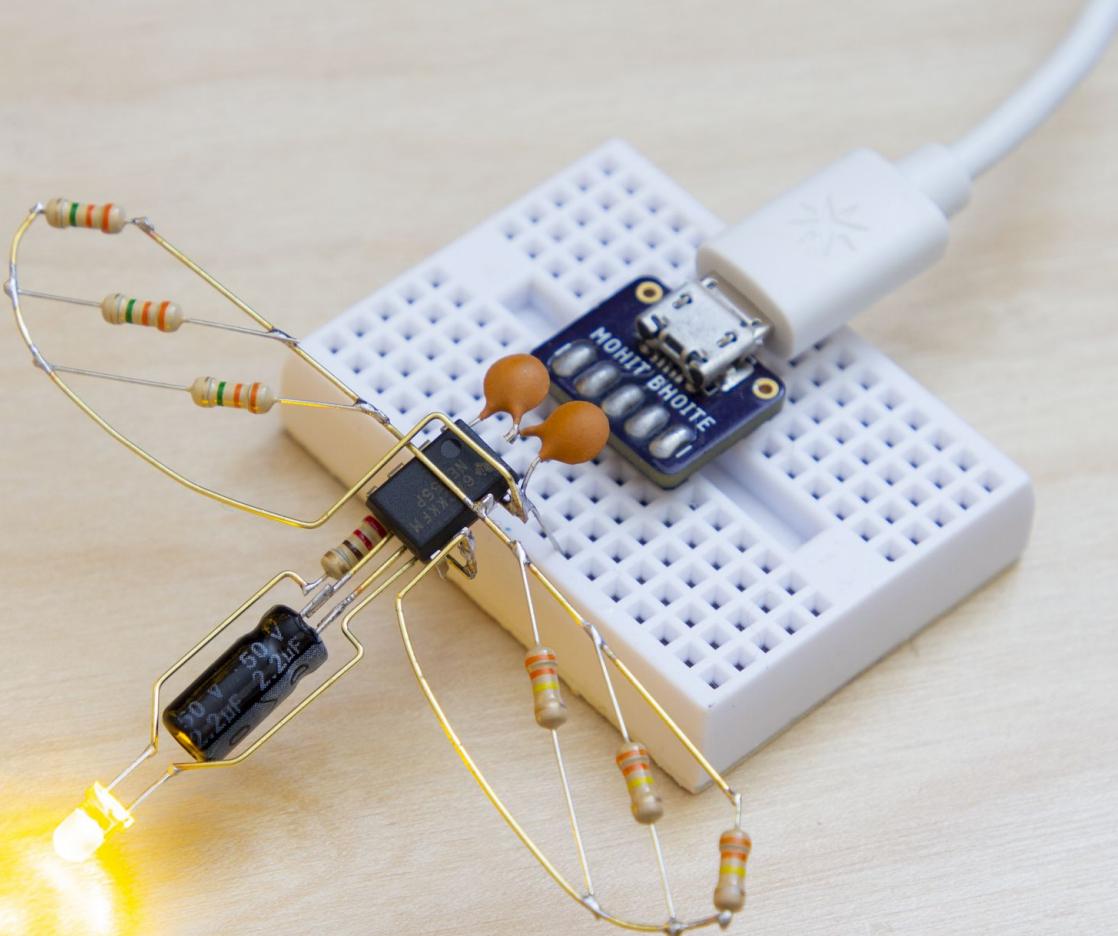


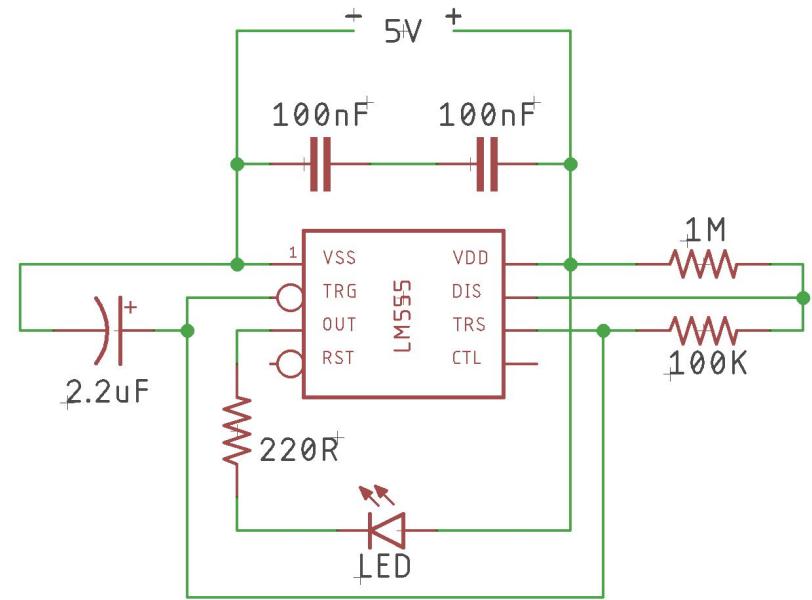
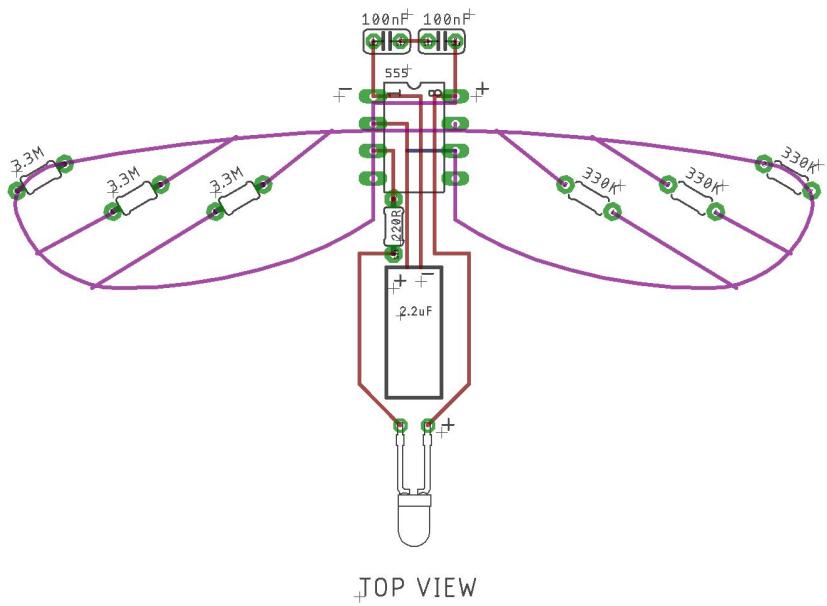
Astable multivibrator circuit
in the shape of a firefly (it blinks!)

555 BASED FIREFLY











LET'S START BUILDING!