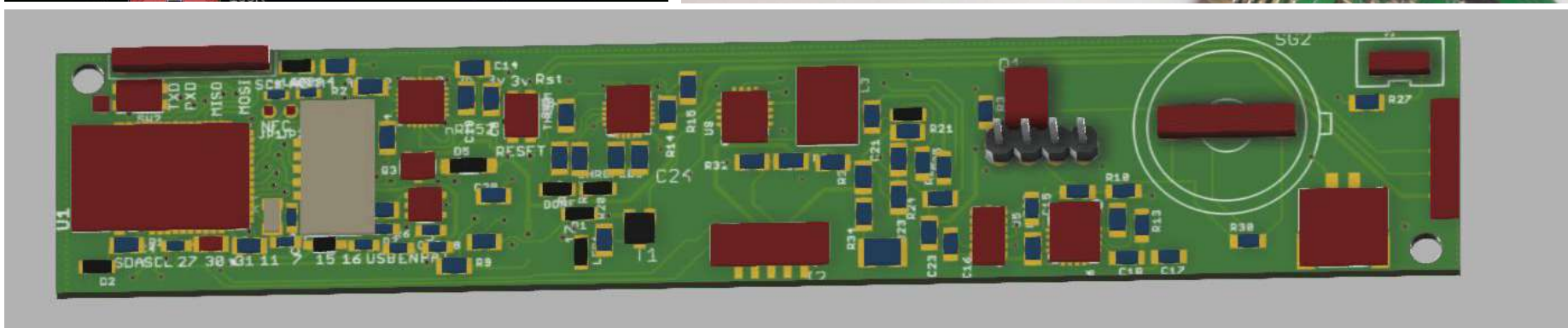
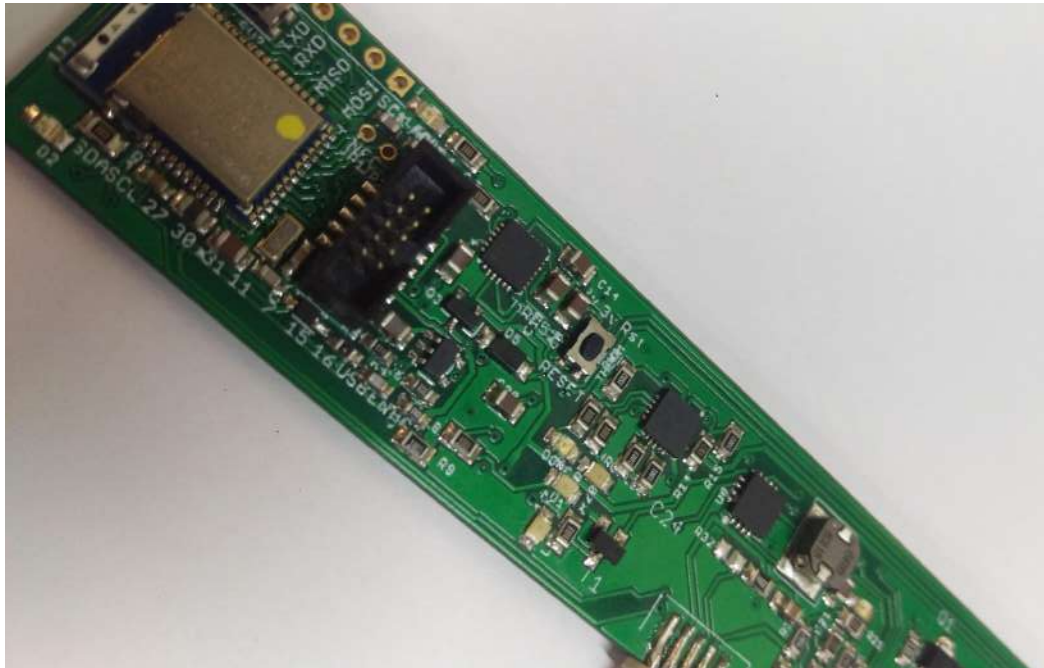
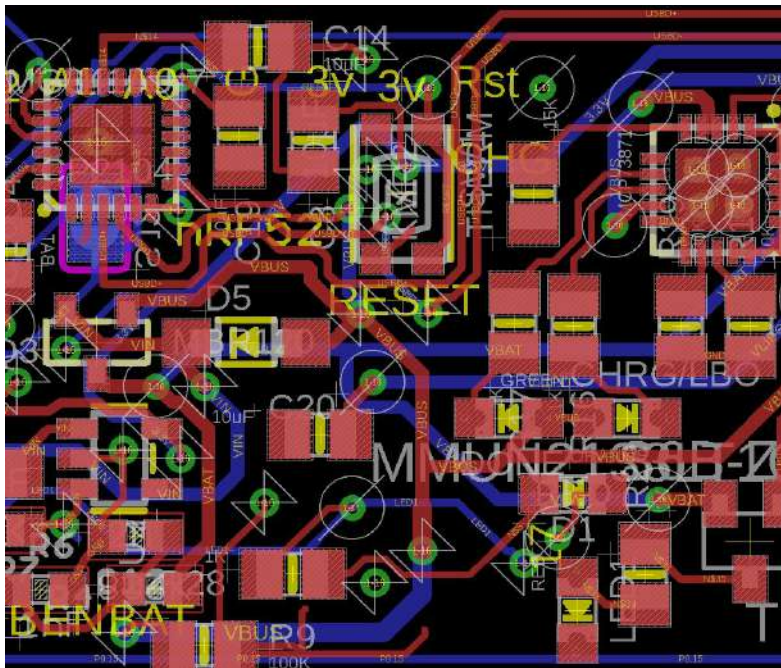
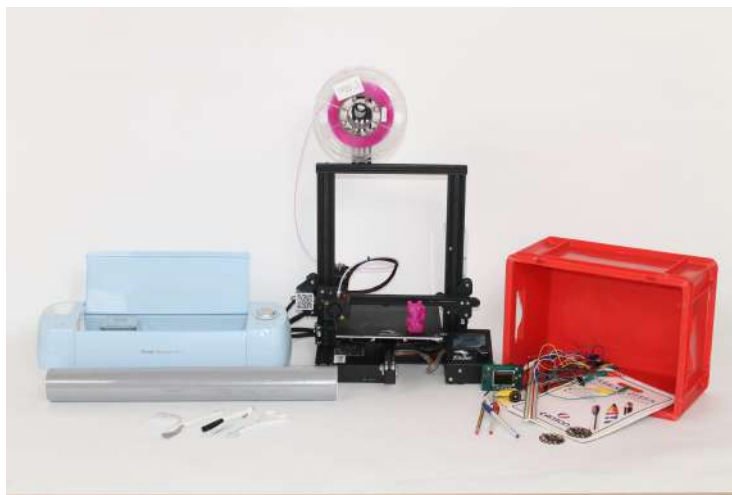
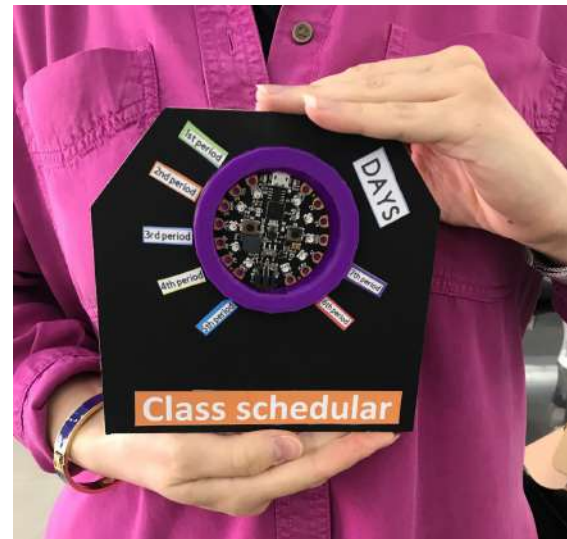
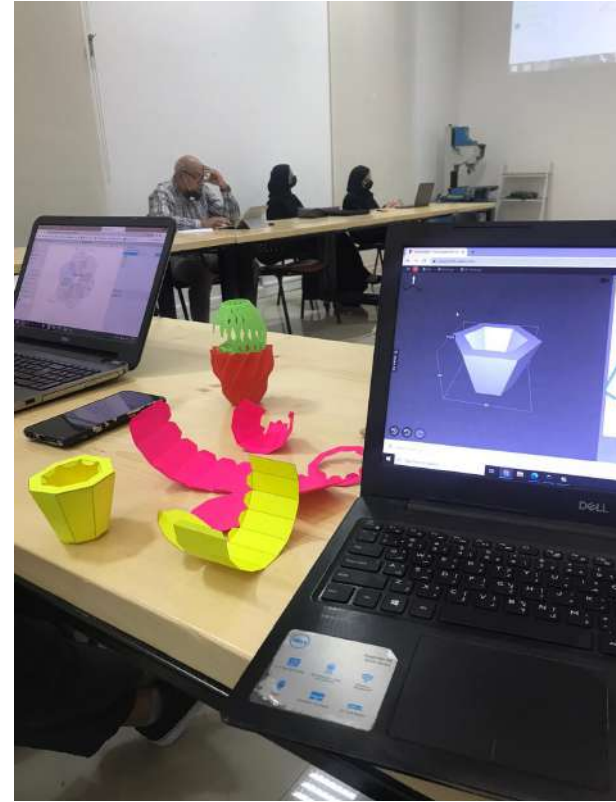

Soldering basics

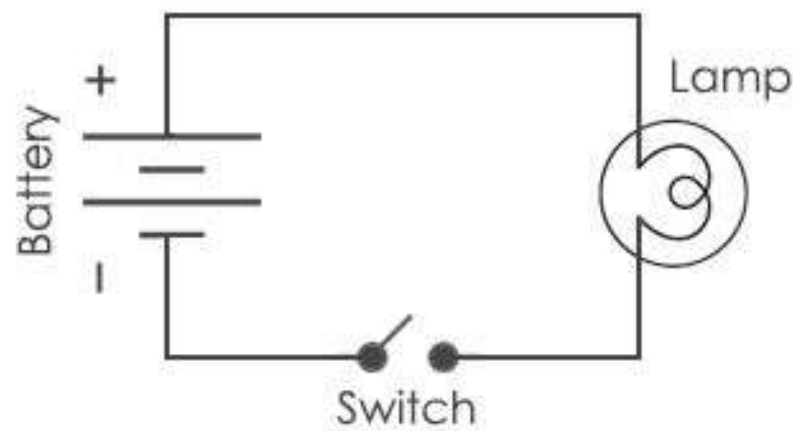
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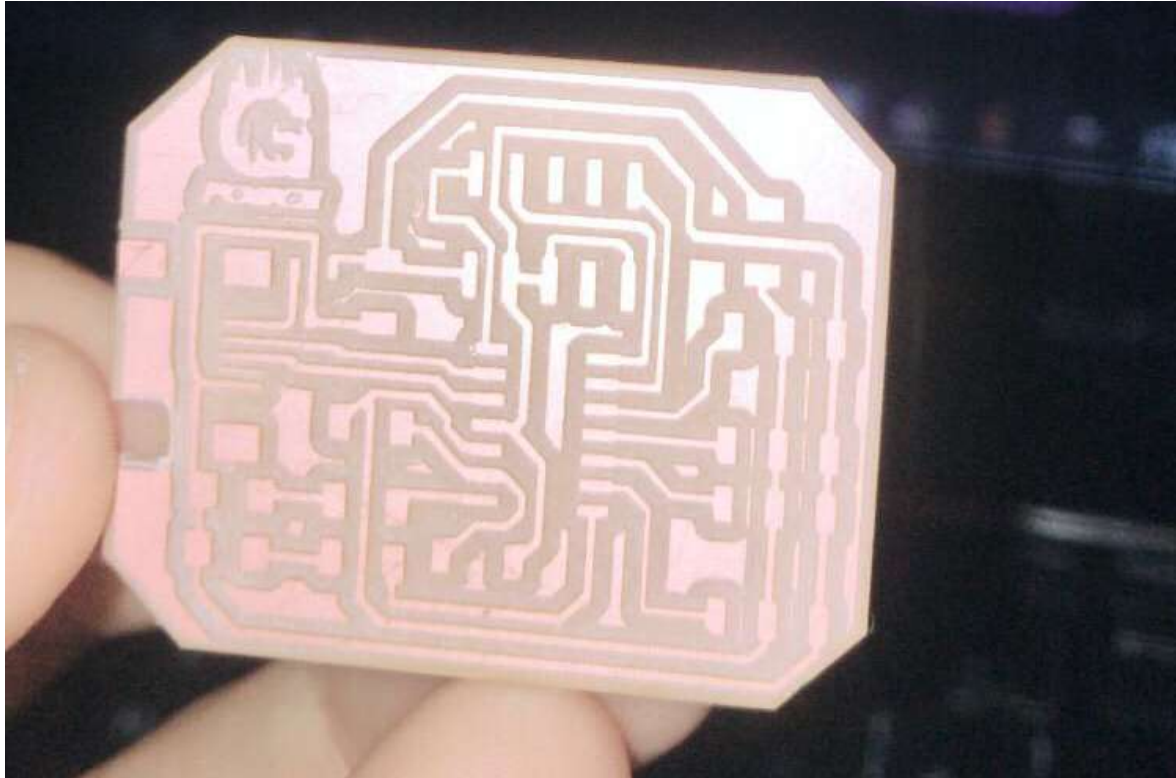




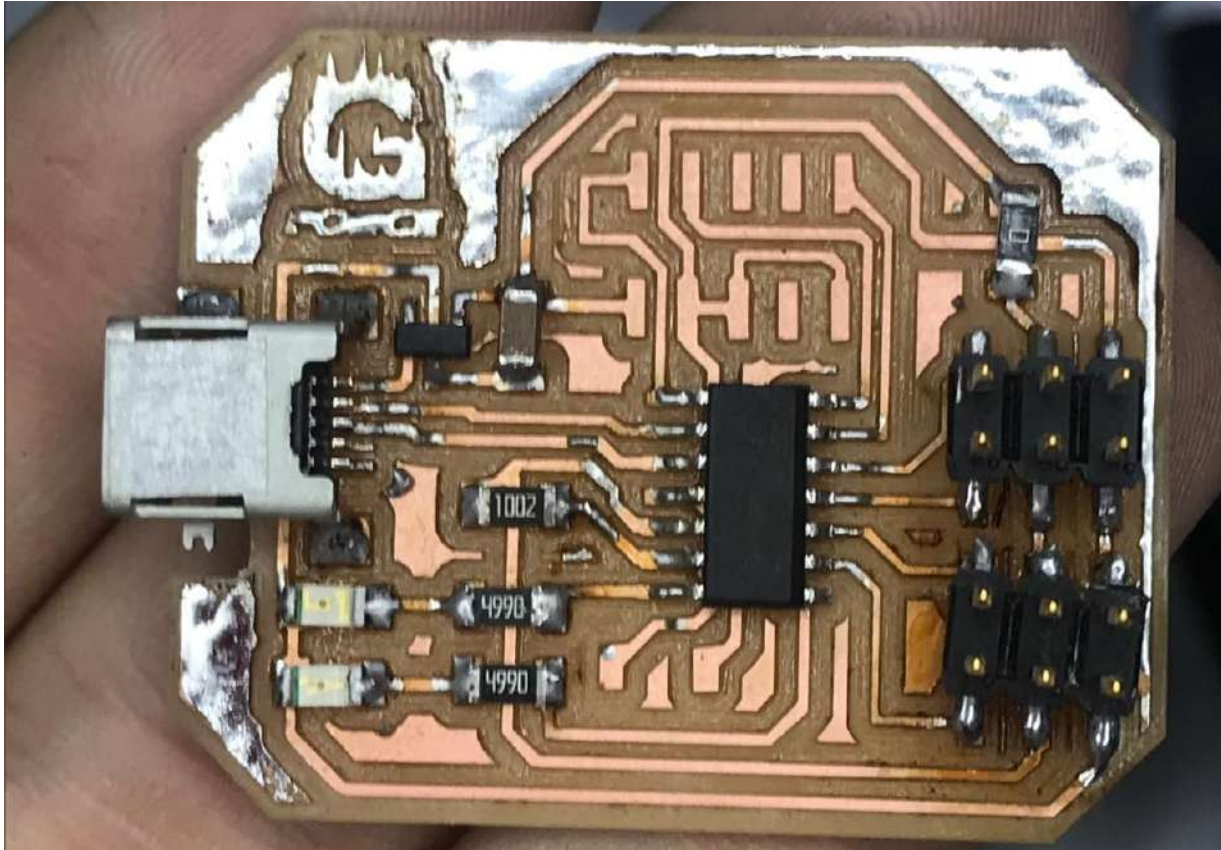


What is soldering





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The tools

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Soldering iron

The most important part.
An iron will heat up to
melt the solder. Some
have temperature control
and some don't. 25 watt
iron minimum is
recommended



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Solder tip

The point of contact with the solder. There are different types for different purposes. Generally you need a fine tip for accurate soldering.



Stand

a safe place to rest the hot iron between uses. It will keep your iron from rolling around and protect both you and your work surface from burns.



Tip cleaners

To keep the soldering tip clean while soldering.

Use it after every use





Wet sponge

Distilled water

Deionized water

Tap water

Drinking water



brass pad


Solder wire





Image shown is a representation only. Exact specifications should be obtained from the product data sheet.

SMDSWLF.020 4OZ

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| Digi-Key Part Number | SMDSWLF.0204OZ-ND |
| Manufacturer | Chip Quik Inc. |
| Manufacturer Product Number | SMDSWLF.020 4OZ |
| Supplier | Chip Quik Inc. |
| Description | SLD WIRE NO-CLEAN 96.5/3/.5 4OZ. |
| Manufacturer Standard Lead Time | 3 Weeks |
| Detailed Description | Lead Free No-Clean, Water Soluble Wire Solder Sn96.5Ag3Cu0.5 (96.5/3/0.5) 24 AWG, 25 SWG Spool, 4 oz (113.40g) |
| Customer Reference | <div>Customer Reference</div> |
| Datasheet |  Datasheet |

Product Attributes

| TYPE | DESCRIPTION |
|---------------|---|
| Category | Soldering, Desoldering, Rework Products Solder |
| Mfr | Chip Quik Inc. |
| Series | - |
| Package | Spool |
| Part Status | Active |
| Type | Wire Solder |
| Composition | Sn96.5Ag3Cu0.5 (96.5/3/0.5) |
| Diameter | 0.020" (0.51mm) |
| Melting Point | 423 ~ 428°F (217 ~ 220°C) |
| Flux Type | No-Clean, Water Soluble |
| Wire Gauge | 24 AWG, 25 SWG |
| Process | Lead Free |

Sn96.5/Ag3.0/Cu0.5
Tin/Silver/Copper



Leaded solder

63% tin to 37% lead

60% tin to 40% lead



Lead free Solder

different compositions of metals with Tin being the main element

Sn96.5/Ag3.0/Cu0.5

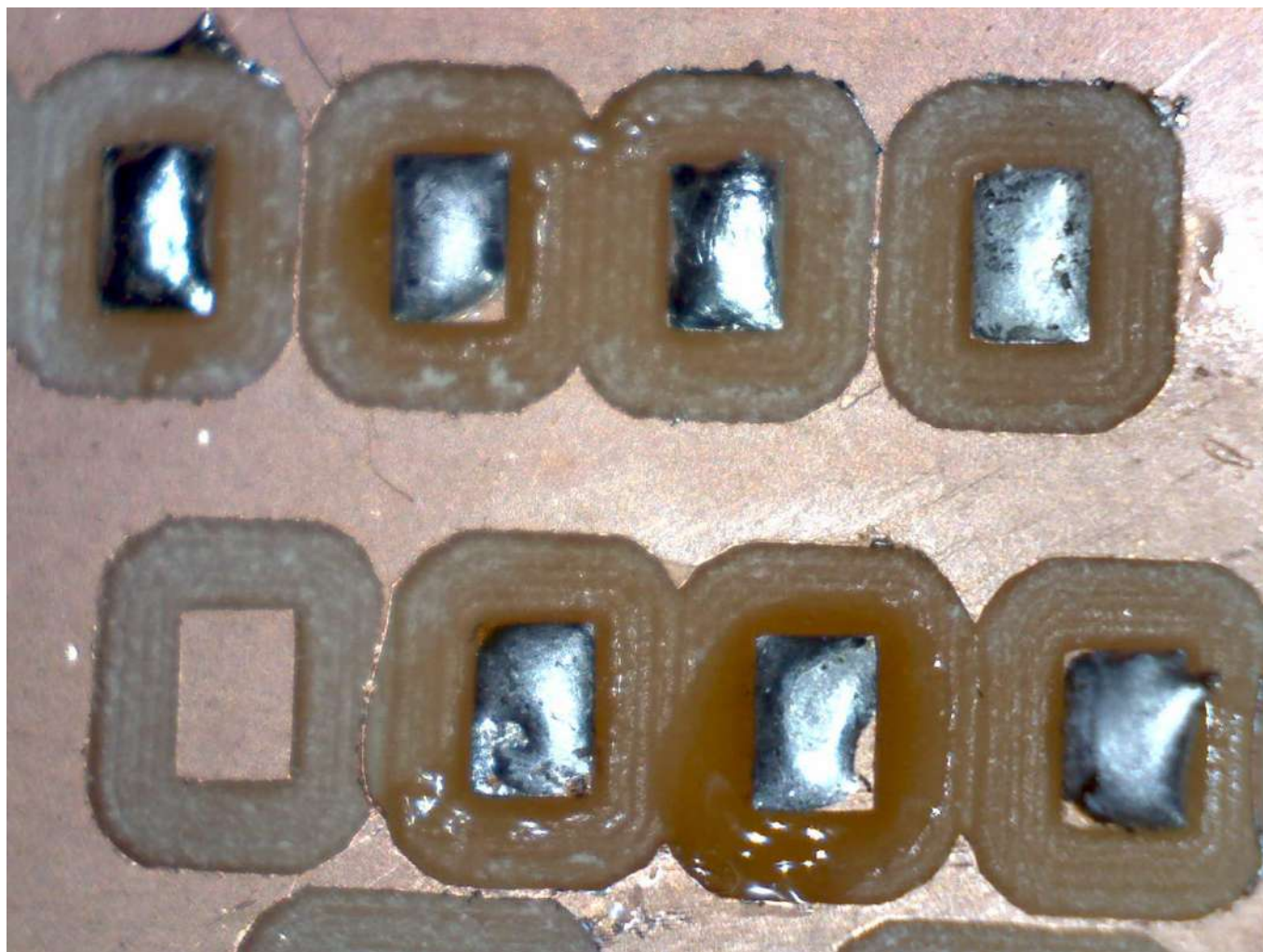
Tin/Silver/Copper

Rosin core

flux prepares the metal surfaces for soldering by cleaning and removing any oxides and impurities. The flux also protects the metal surfaces from re-oxidation during soldering and helps the soldering process by altering the surface tension of the molten solder.







Flux pen (optional)

The flux is the substance that prevents beading of the solder and helps the solder flow cleanly onto the parts you are soldering





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Tweezers Set

tweezers

Necessary for holding
small components without
burning your hands



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Vise (optional)

keeps your electronic
board in place while you
solder



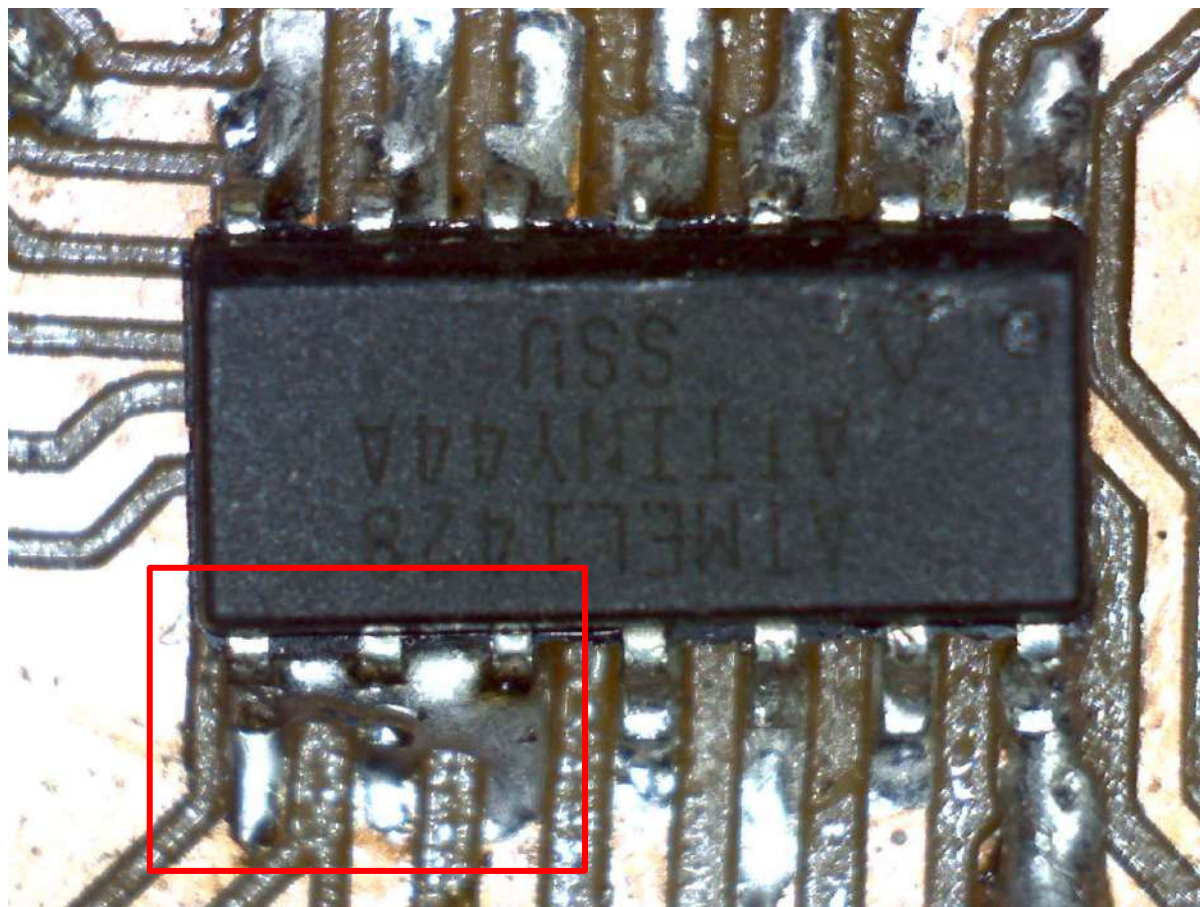
Third Hand (optional)

keeps your electronic board in place while you solder and helps you see your solder joints better



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**Digital
microscope
(optional)**





Solder Sucker

Great for desoldering.
Sucks the solder out from
the joint



Solder wix

Great for desoldering.
Absorbs the solder out
from the joint

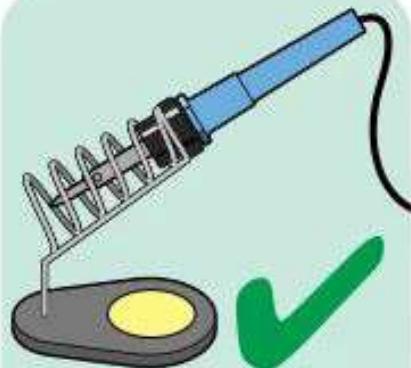




Safety

SOLDERING

20-60W



Never leave the
soldering iron on any
surface other than its
holder.





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Never touch the
metal part of the
soldering iron



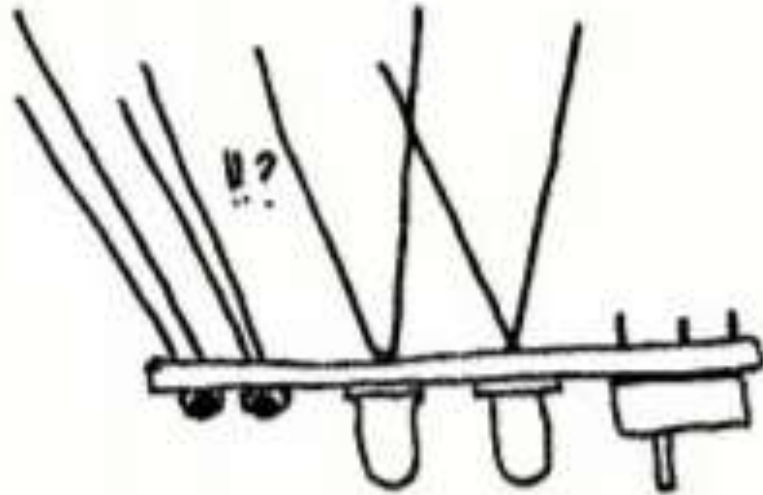
Always wash your hands
after handling lead based
solder wire.



Make sure you are in a
well ventilated area.
Avoid inhalation of
soldering smoke/fumes

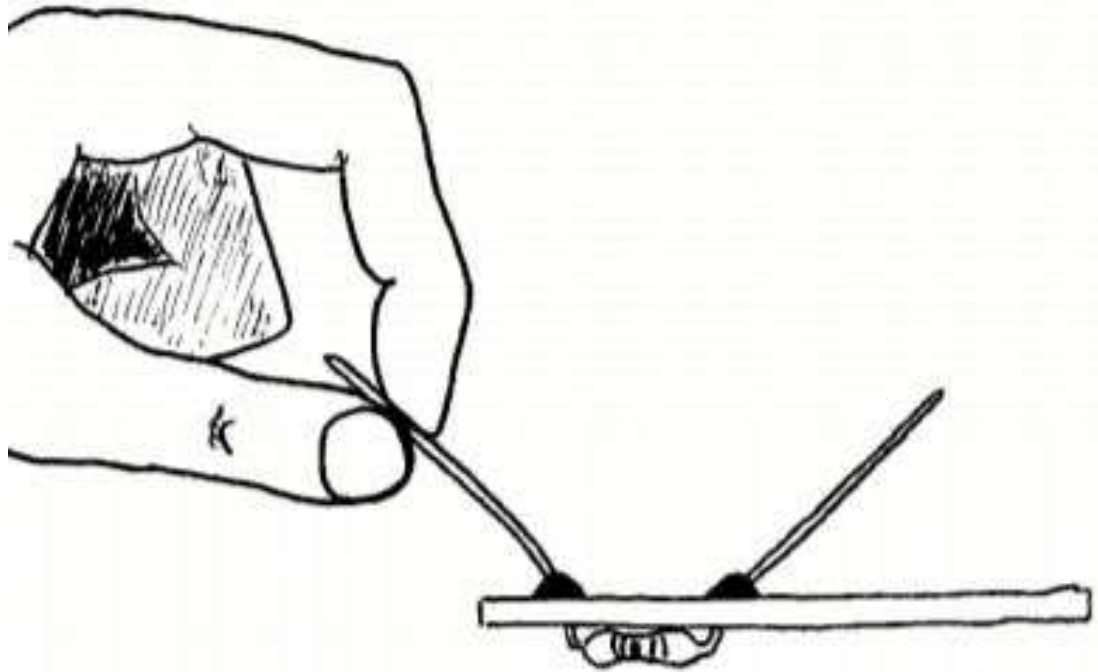


Always cut the long leads of your components so they don't short each other out by creating a connecting where there shouldn't be one

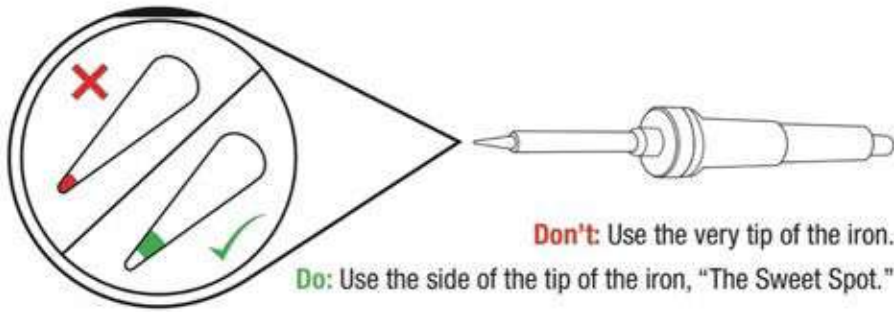


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Always hold the lead
you are cutting with
your other hand. If it
flies away it can get in
your eyes



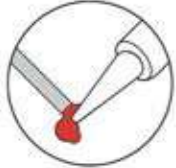
Through hole soldering



Do: Touch the iron to the component leg and metal ring at the same time.



Do: While continuing to hold the iron in contact with the leg and metal ring, feed solder into the joint.



Don't: Glob the solder straight onto the iron and try to apply the solder with the iron.

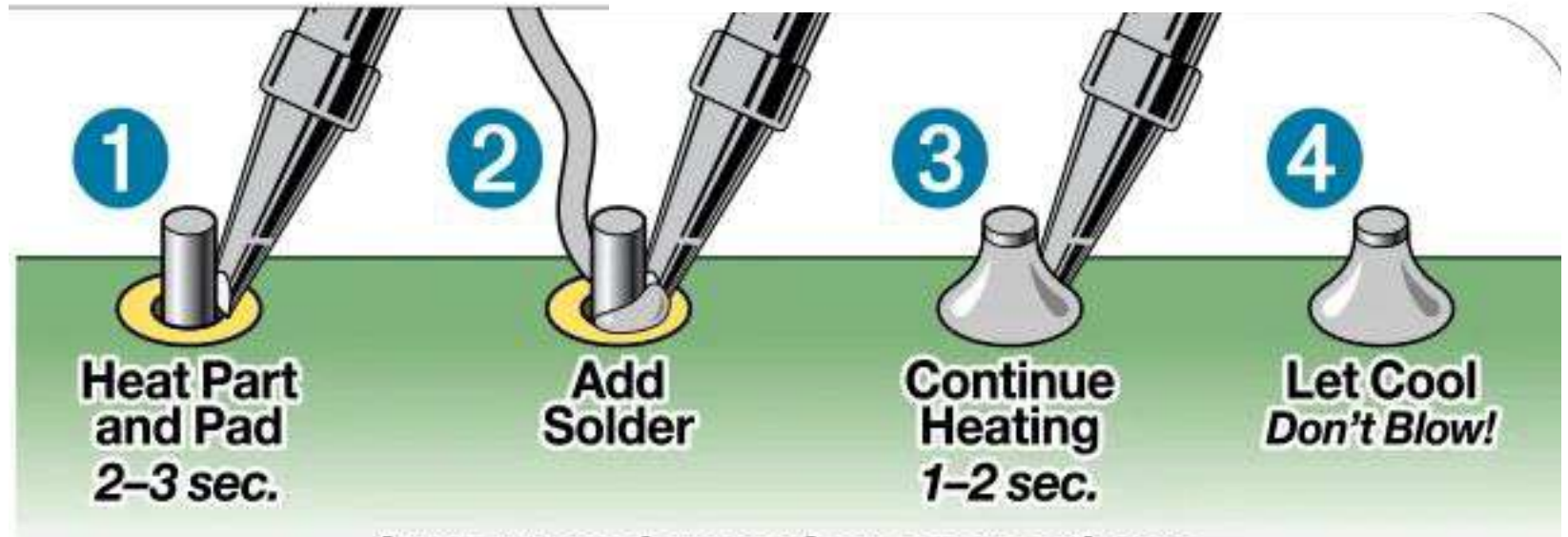


Do: Use a sponge to clean your iron whenever black oxidization builds up on the tip.



Pointed tip

chisel tip



**A**

Solder flows around the leg and fills the hole - forming a volcano-shaped mound of solder.

**B**

Error: Solder balls up on the leg, not connecting the leg to the metal ring.
Solution: Add flux, then touch up with iron.

**C**

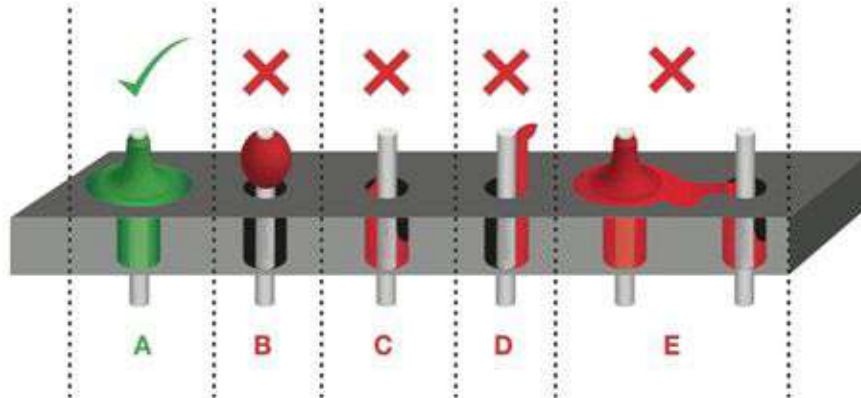
Error: Bad Connection (i.e. it doesn't look like a volcano)
Solution: Flux then add solder.

**D**

Error: Bad Connection...and ugly...oh so ugly.
Solution: Flux then add solder.

**E**

Error: Too much solder connecting adjacent legs (aka a solder jumper).
Solution: Wick off excess solder.



SOLDER JOINTS QUALITY CHART



PIN FULLY WETTED
CONCAVE MENISCUS
PAD WELL COVERED



FULL PAD COVERED



ONE SIDED,
PAD NOT FULLY
COVERED



NOT TOUCHING
THE PAD



SOLDER SITTING
ON THE TOP



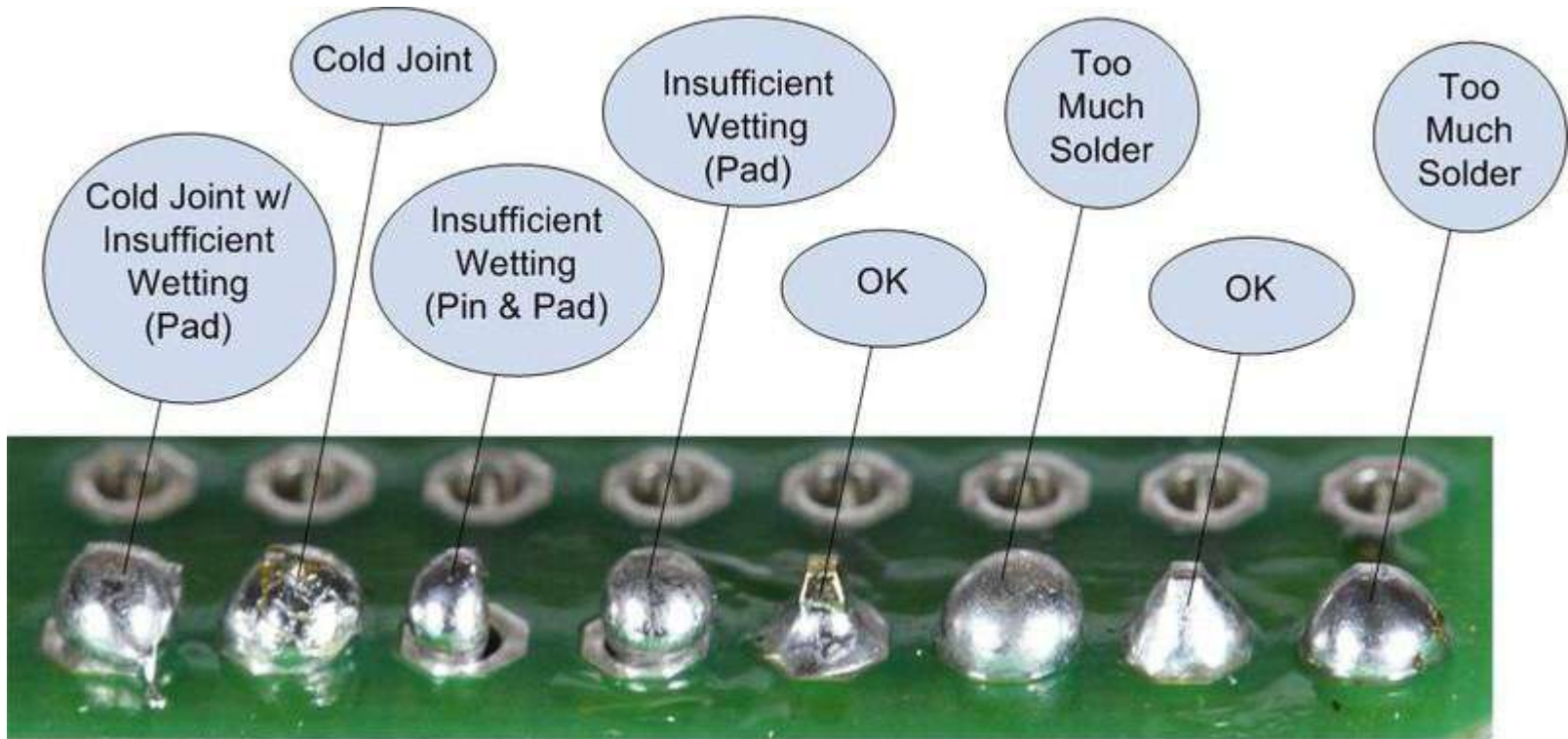
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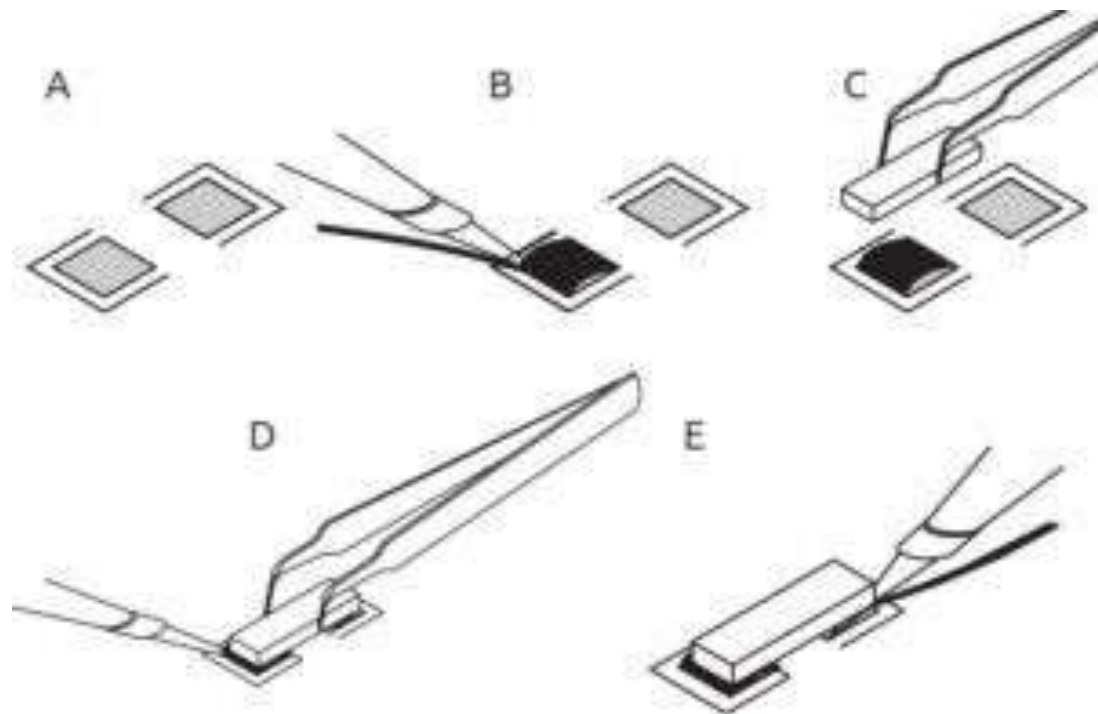
PIN NOT WELL
WETTED

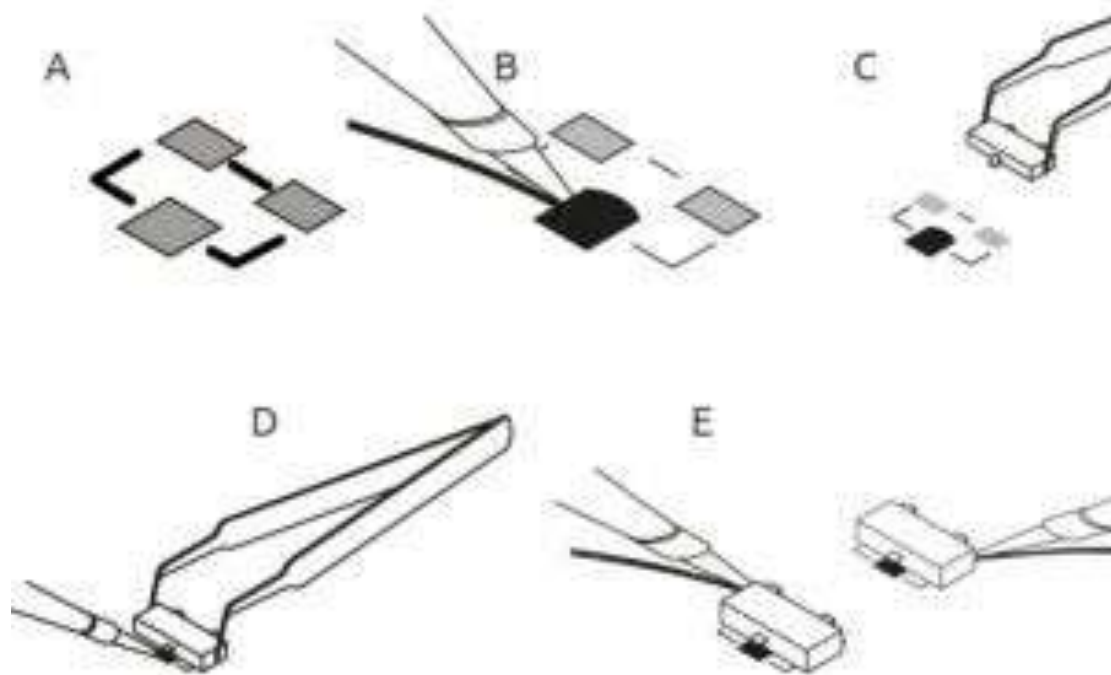


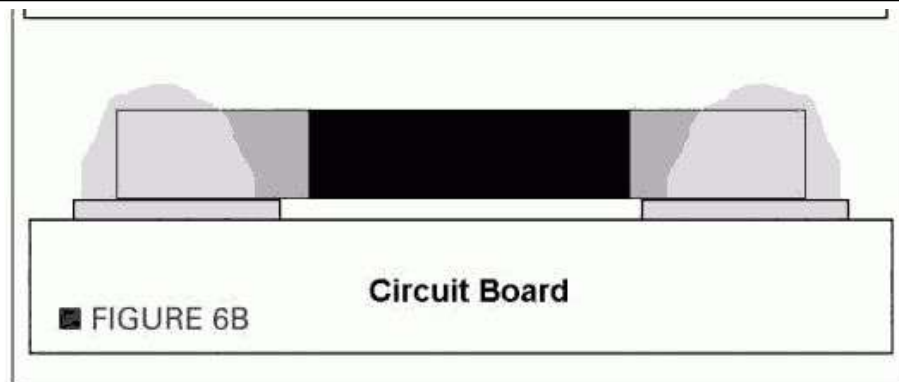
TOO MUCH SOLDER
TOUCHING OTHER PADS



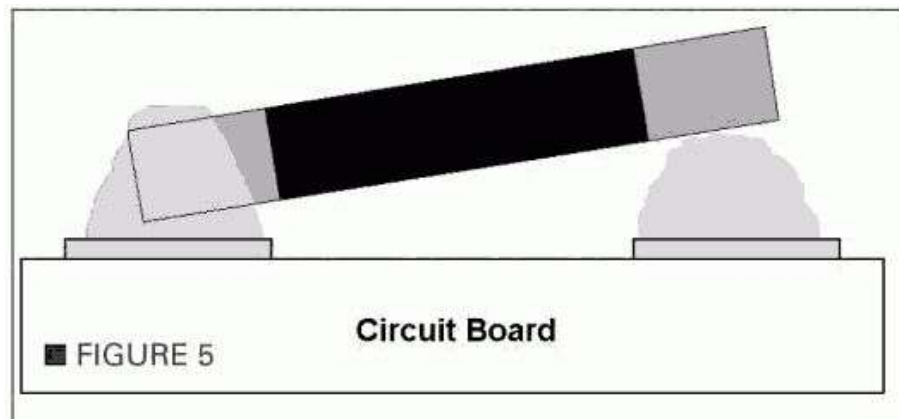
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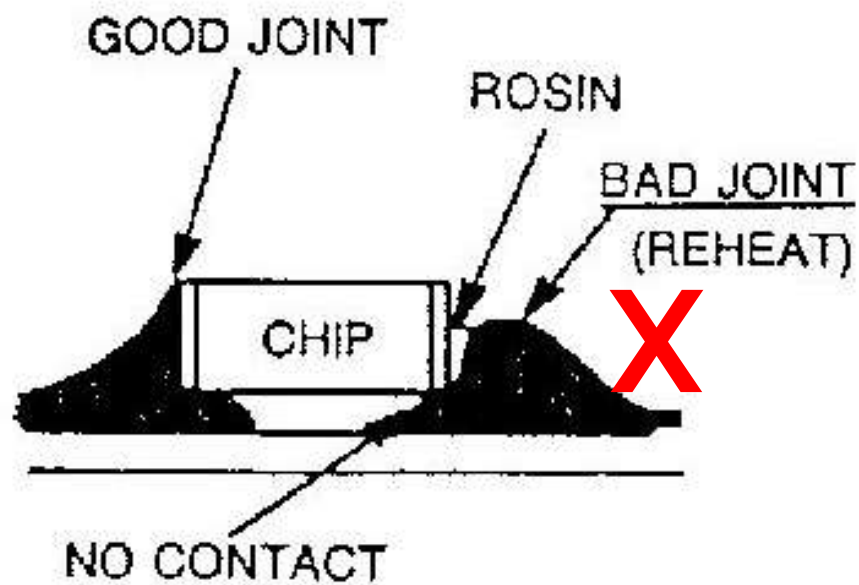


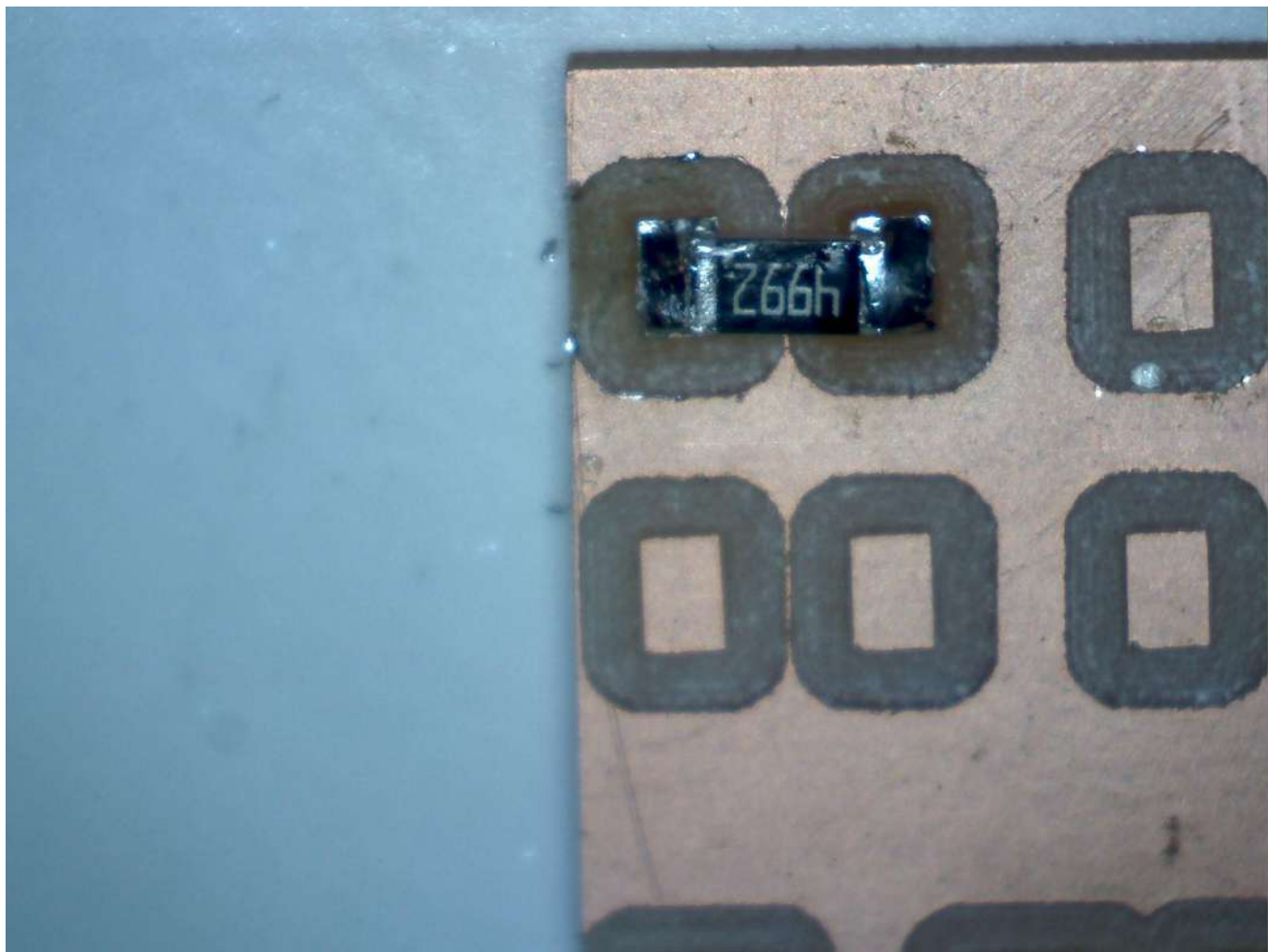


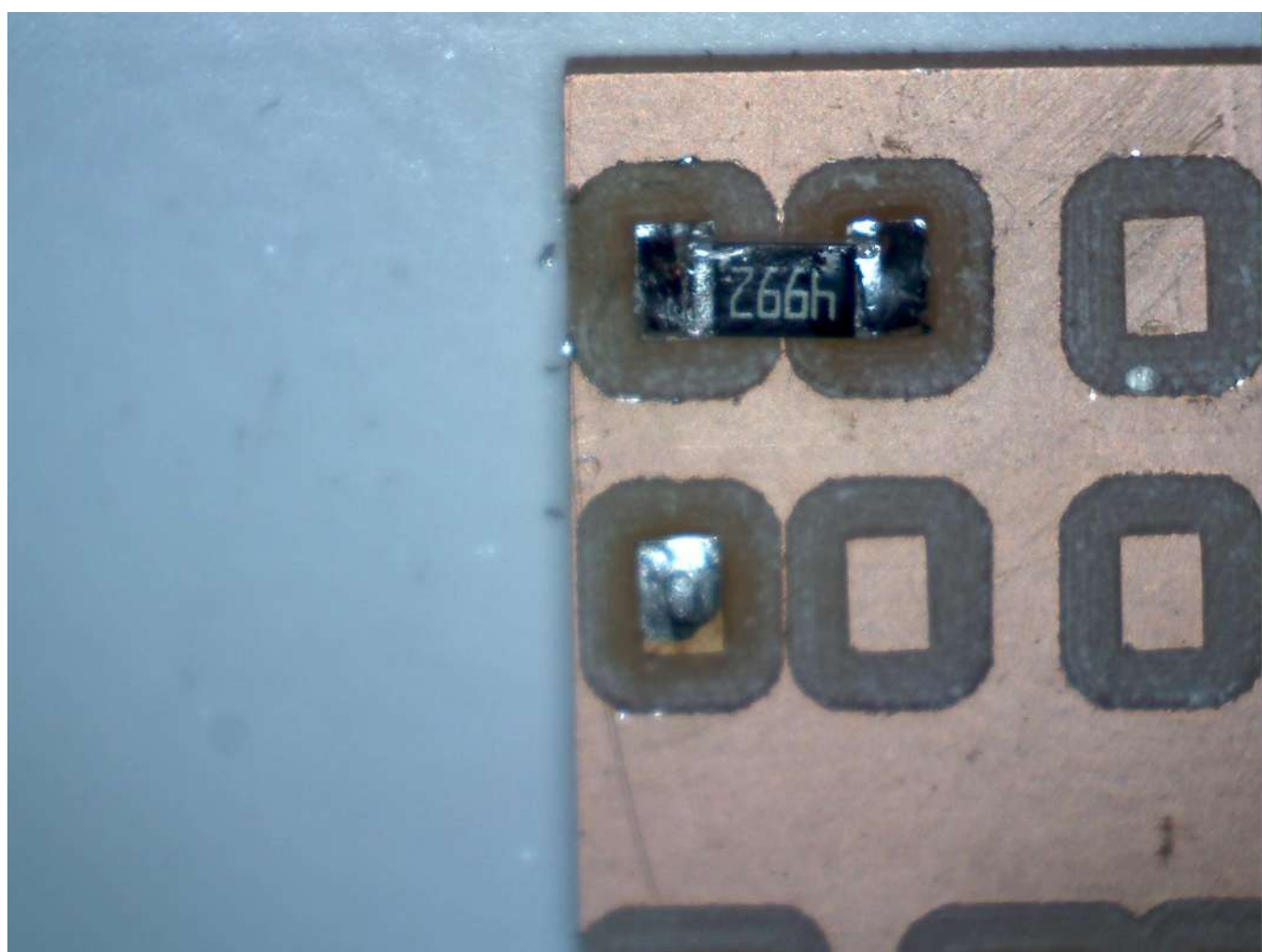


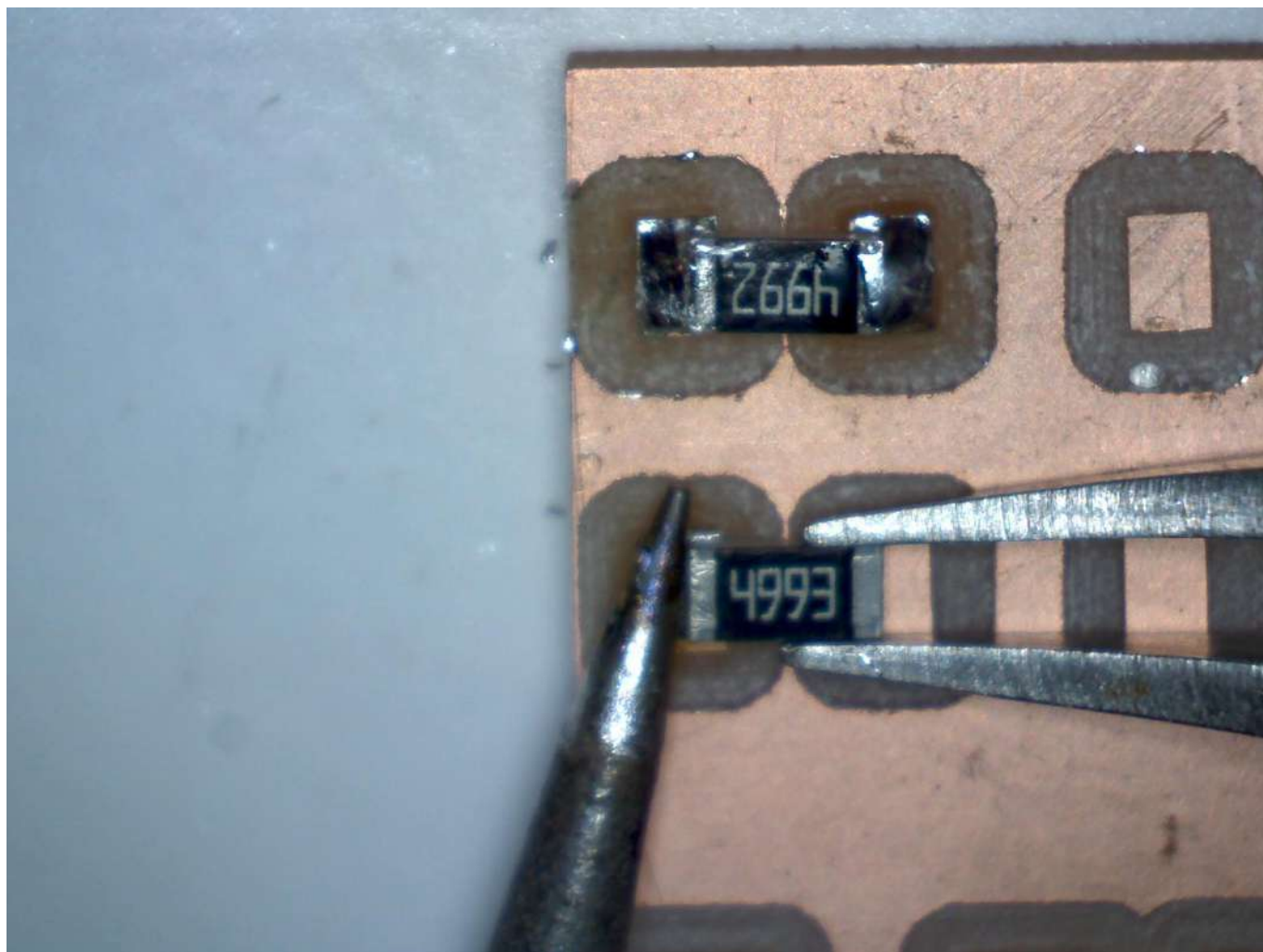
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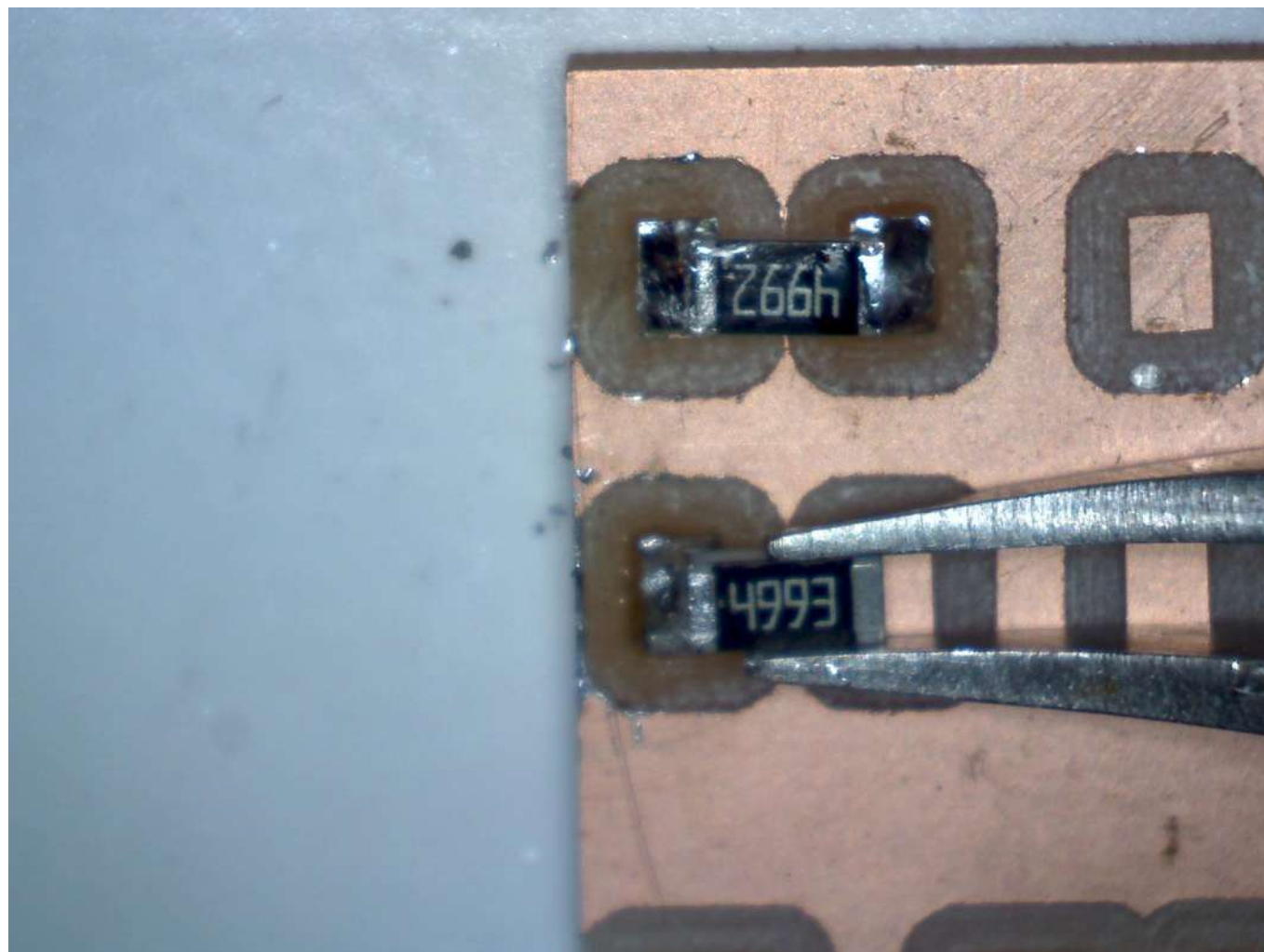


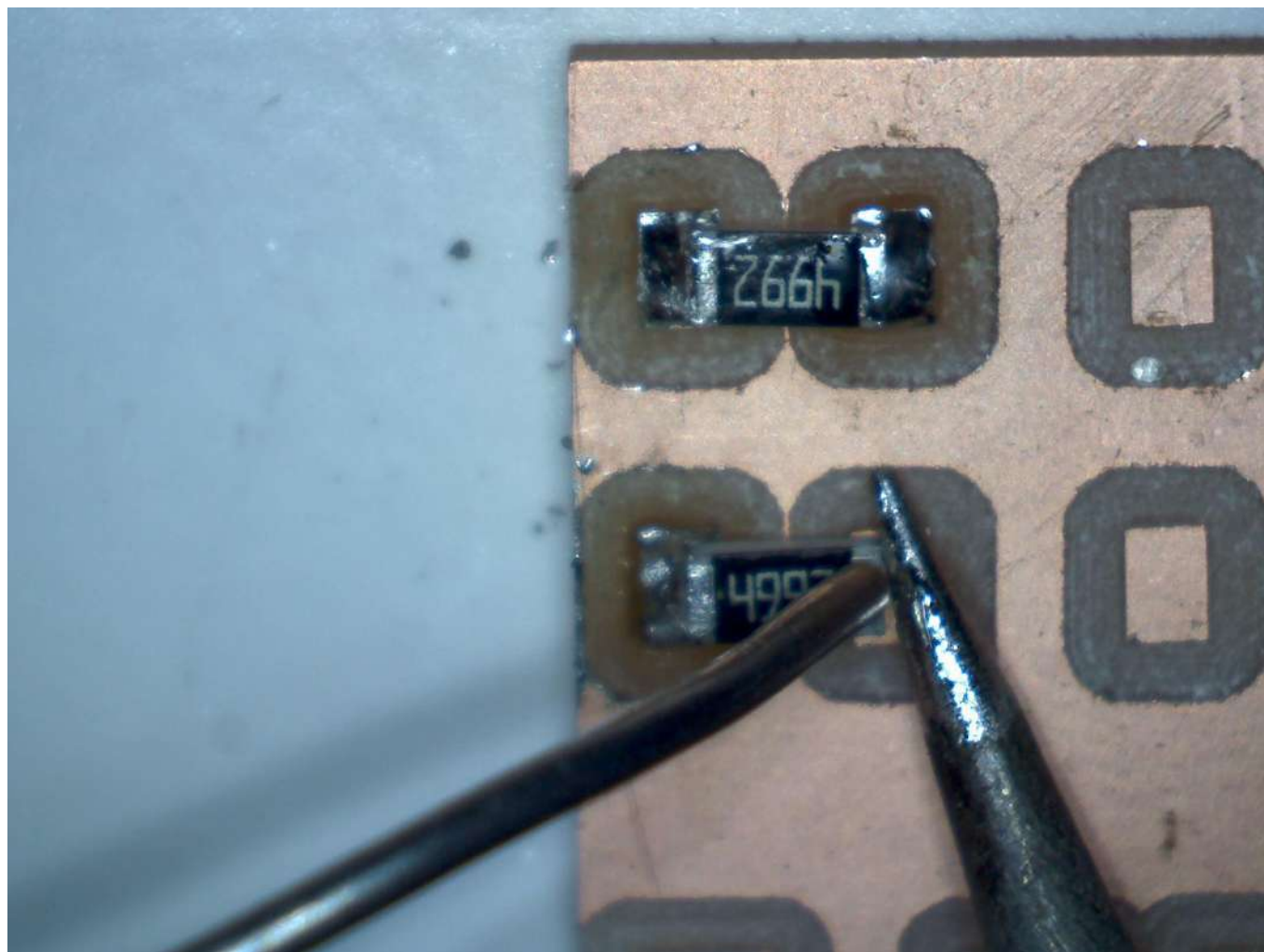


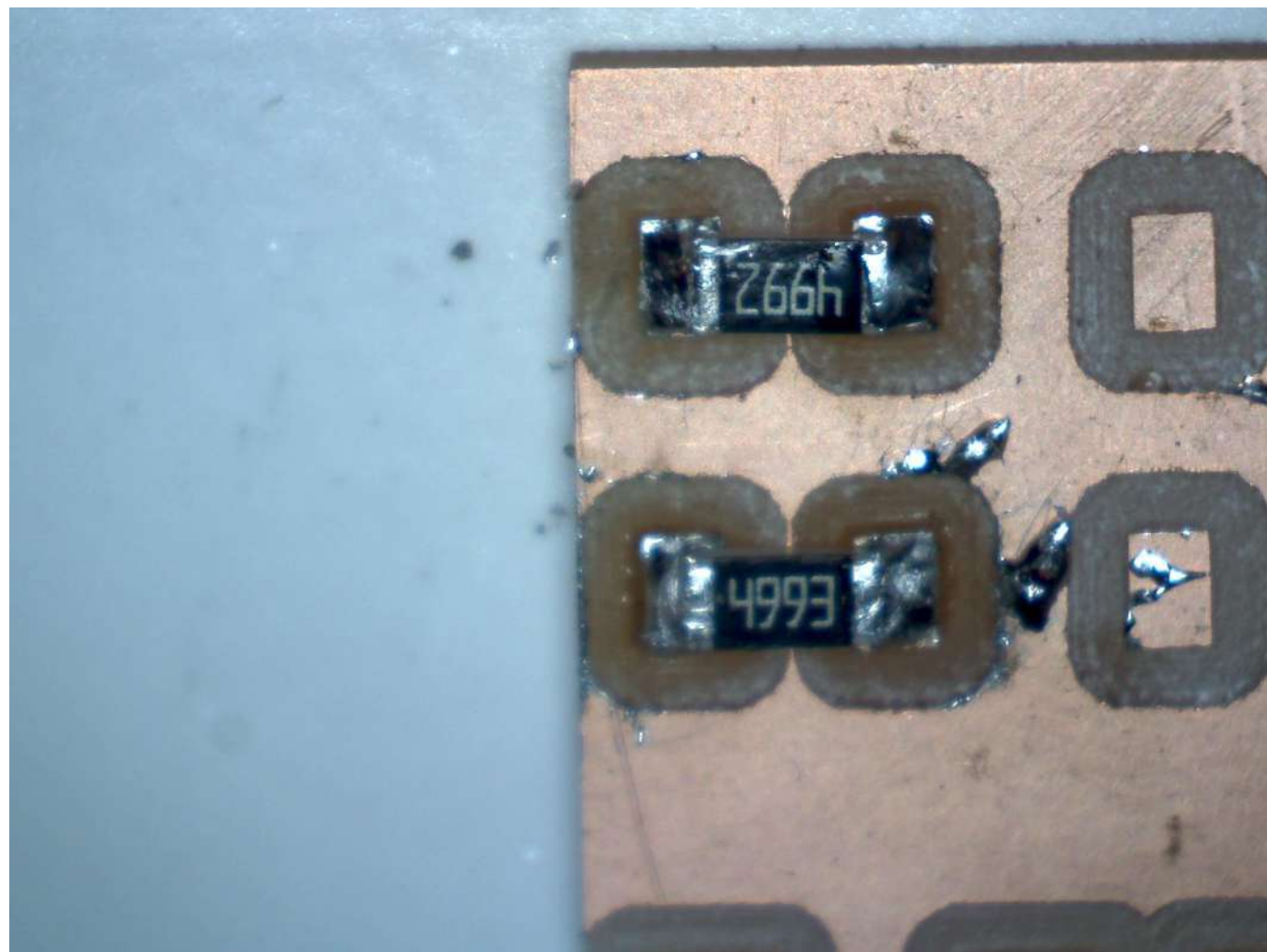


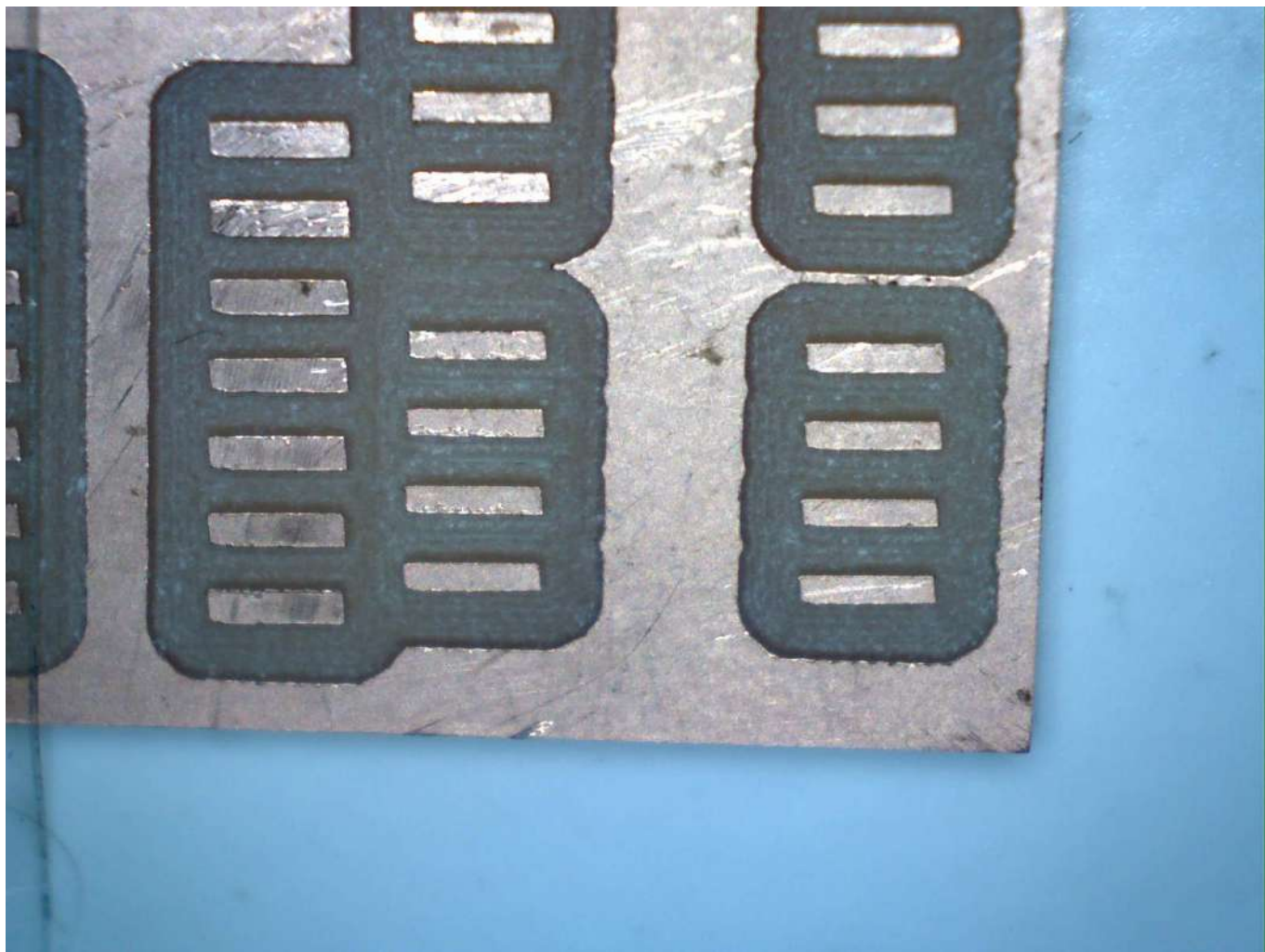


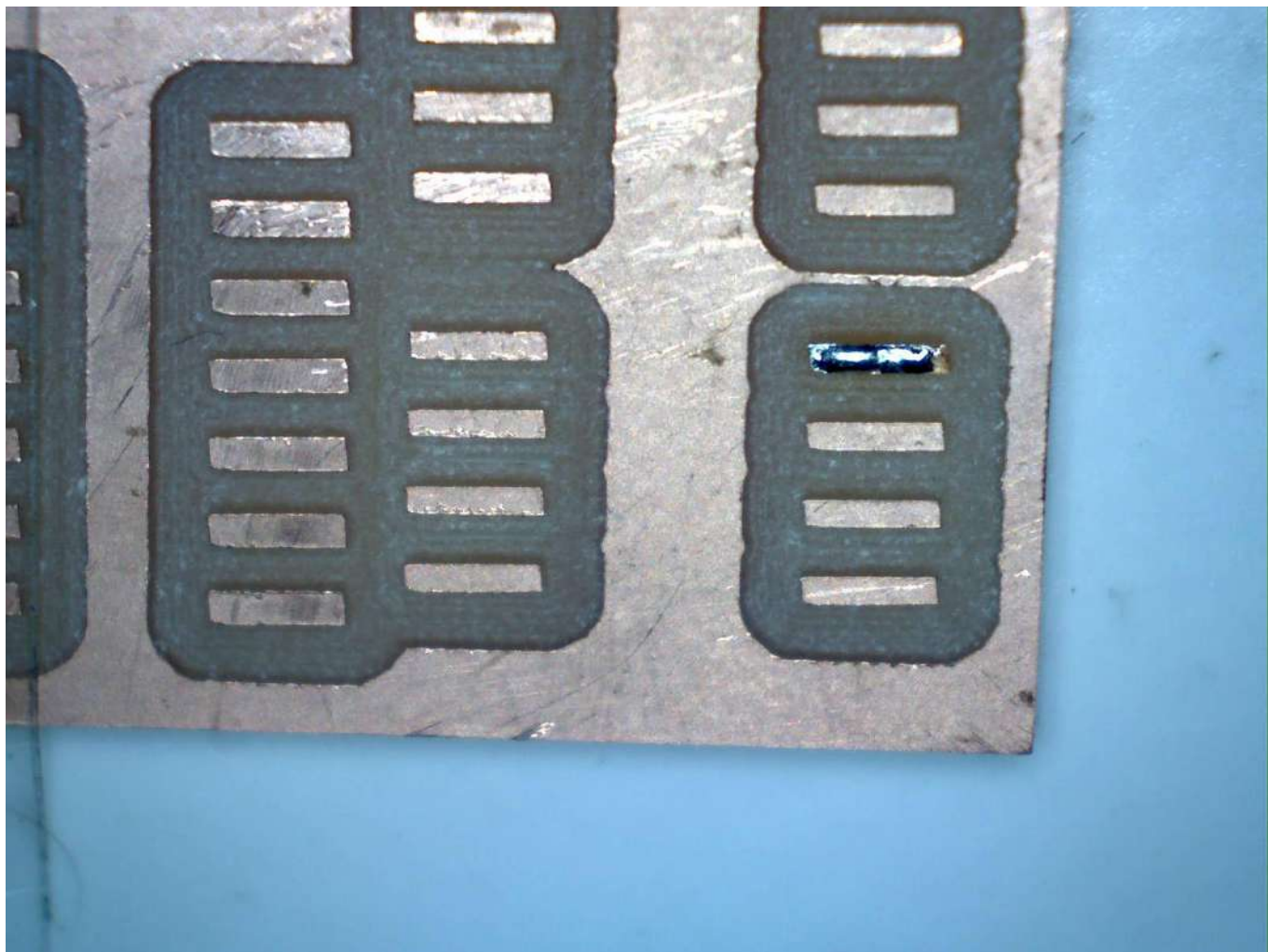


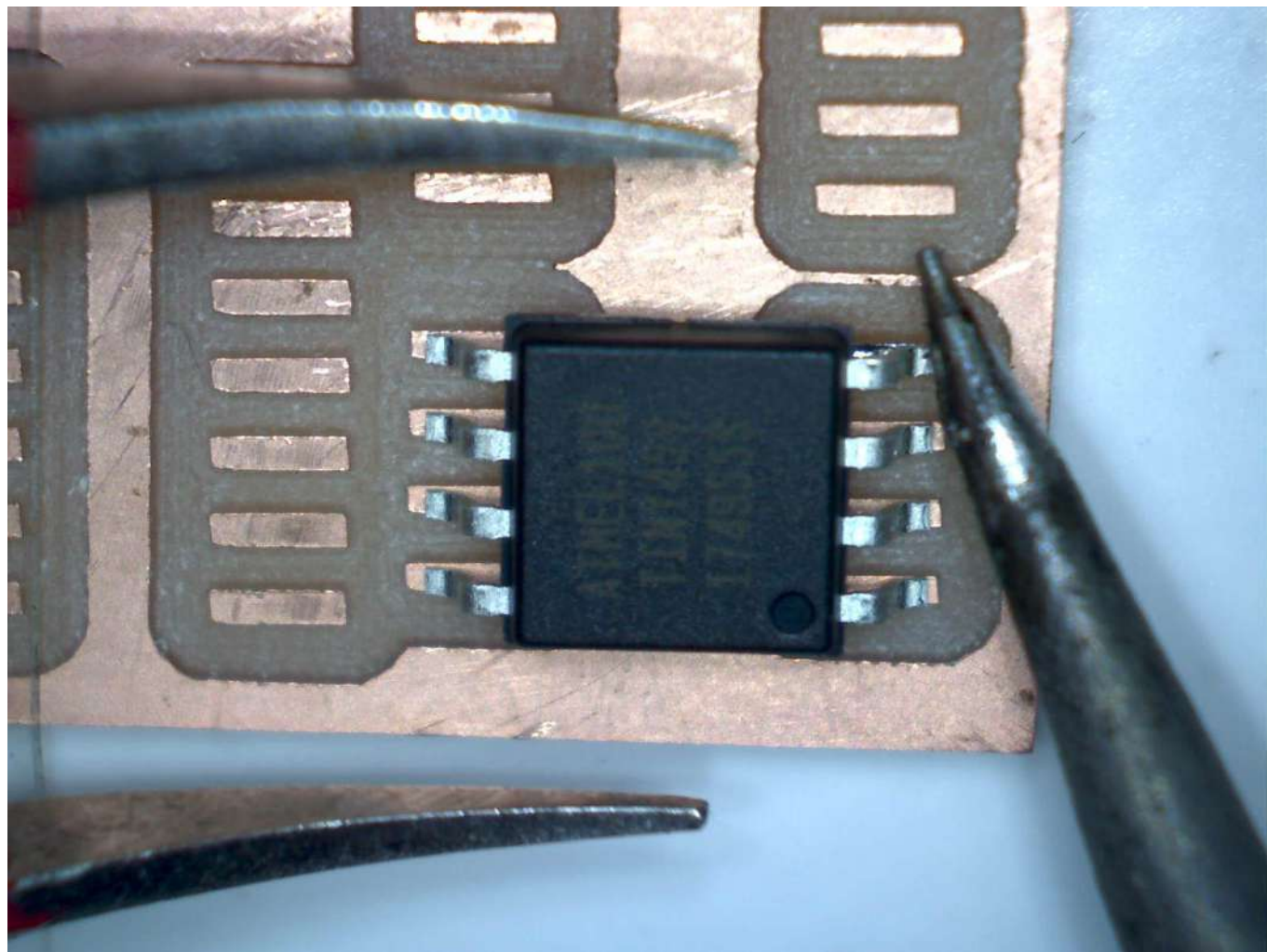


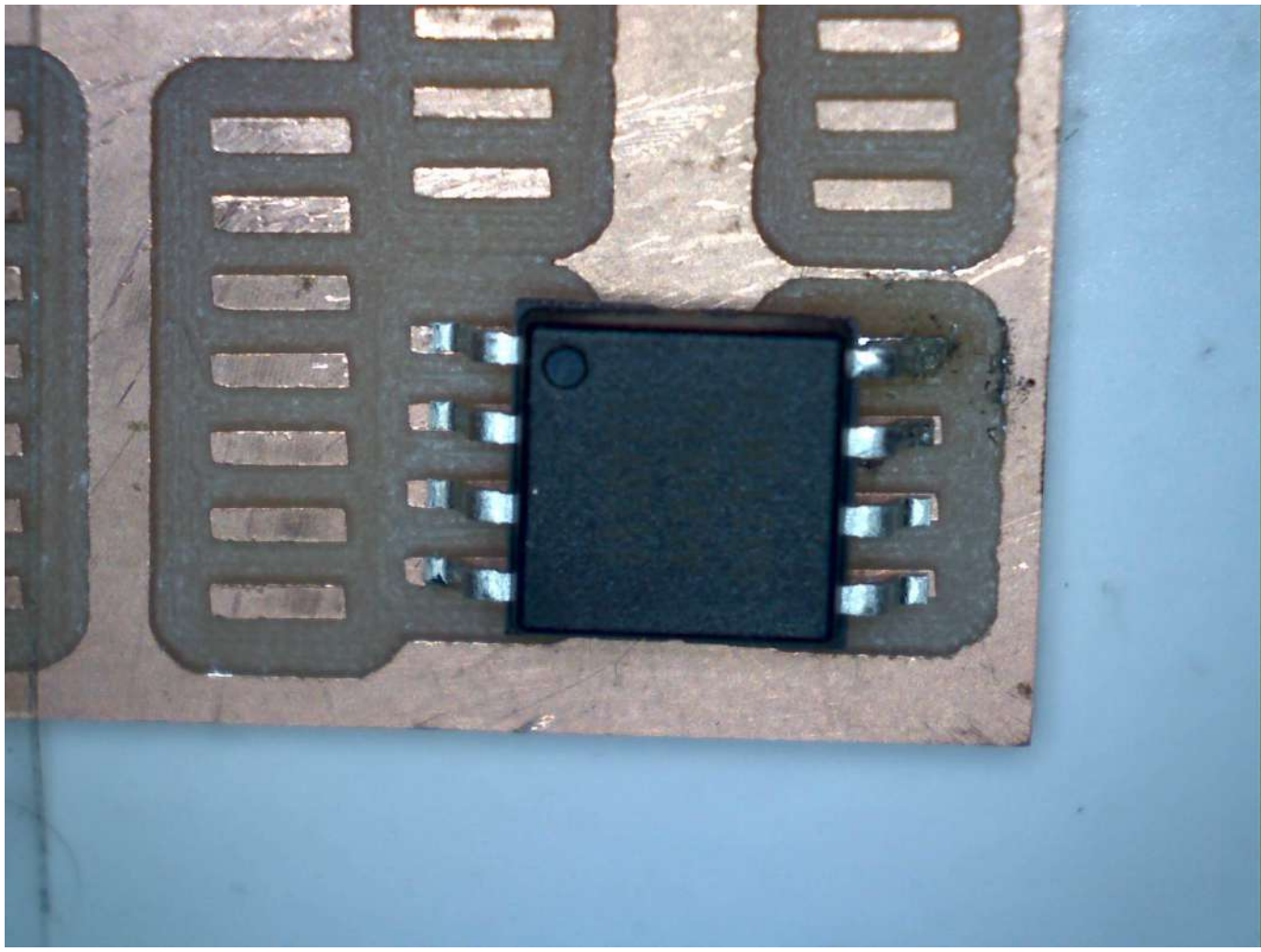


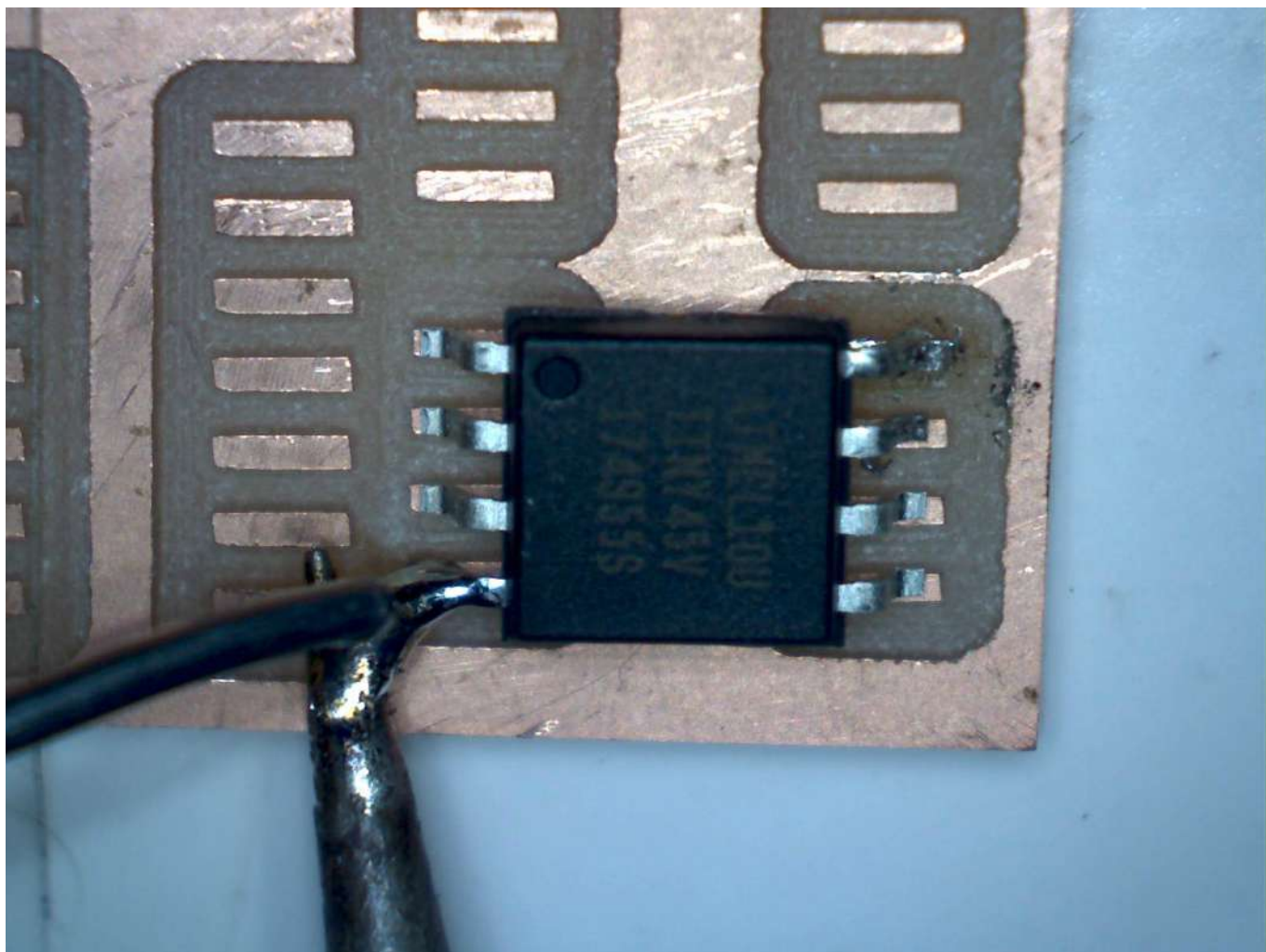


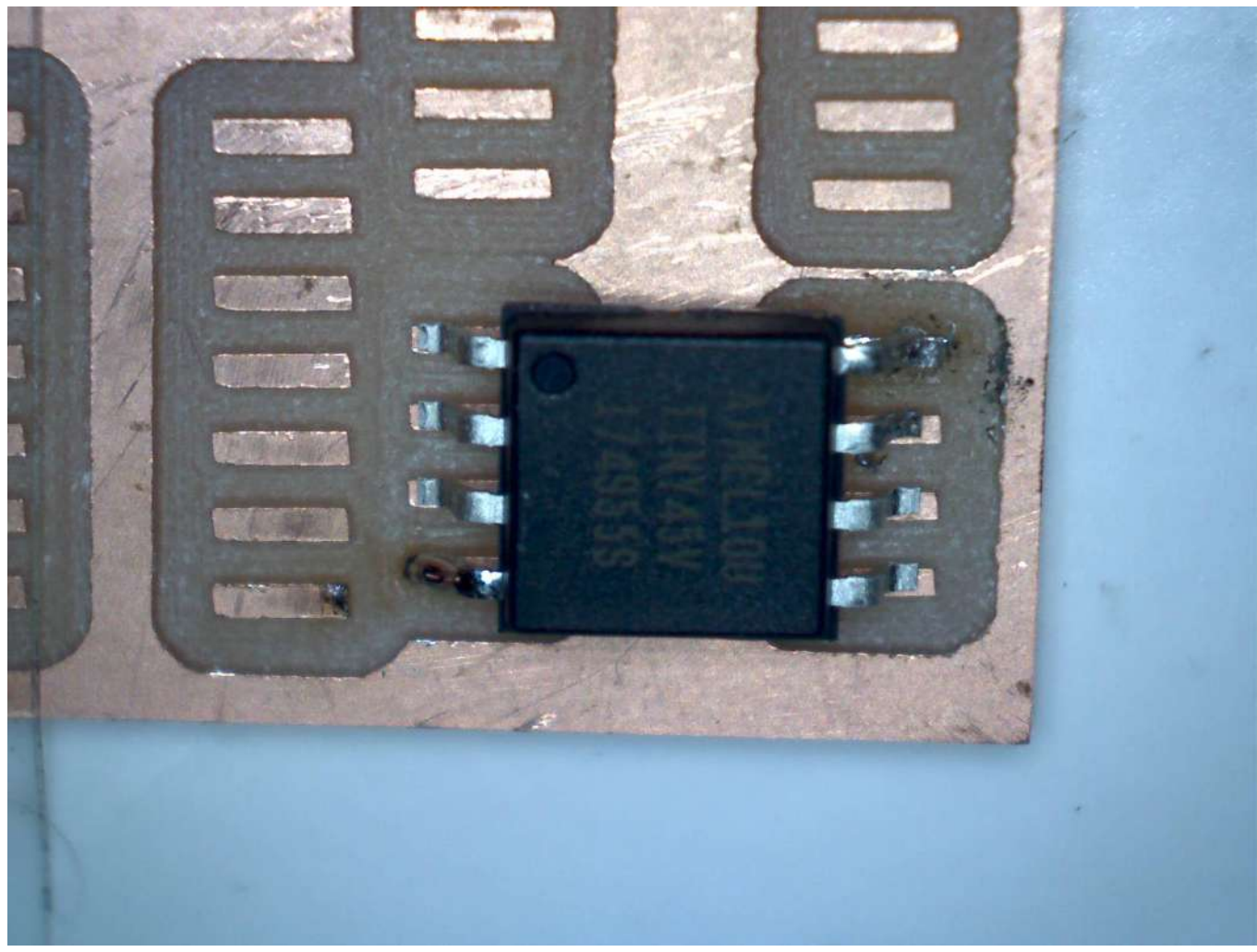


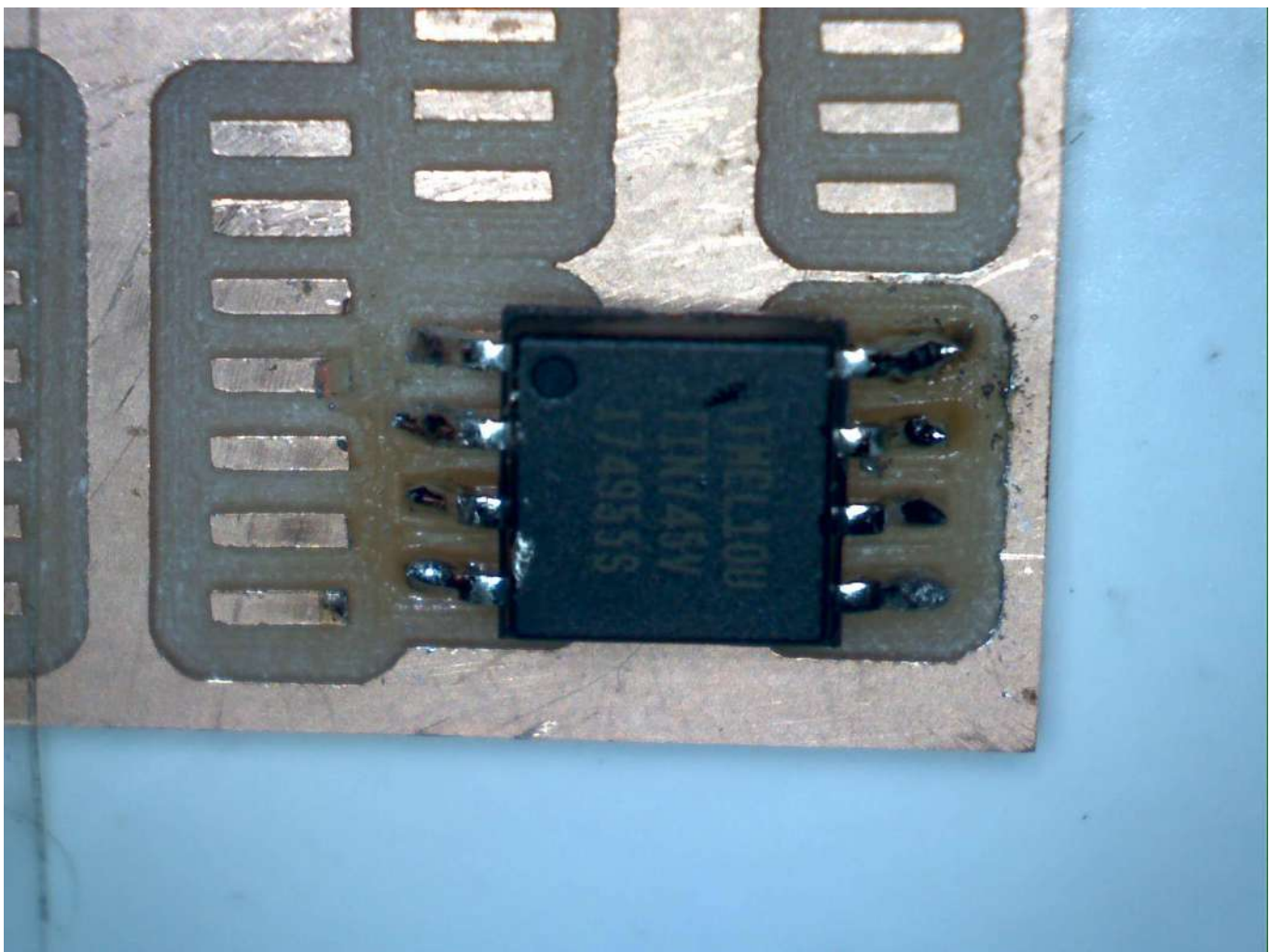


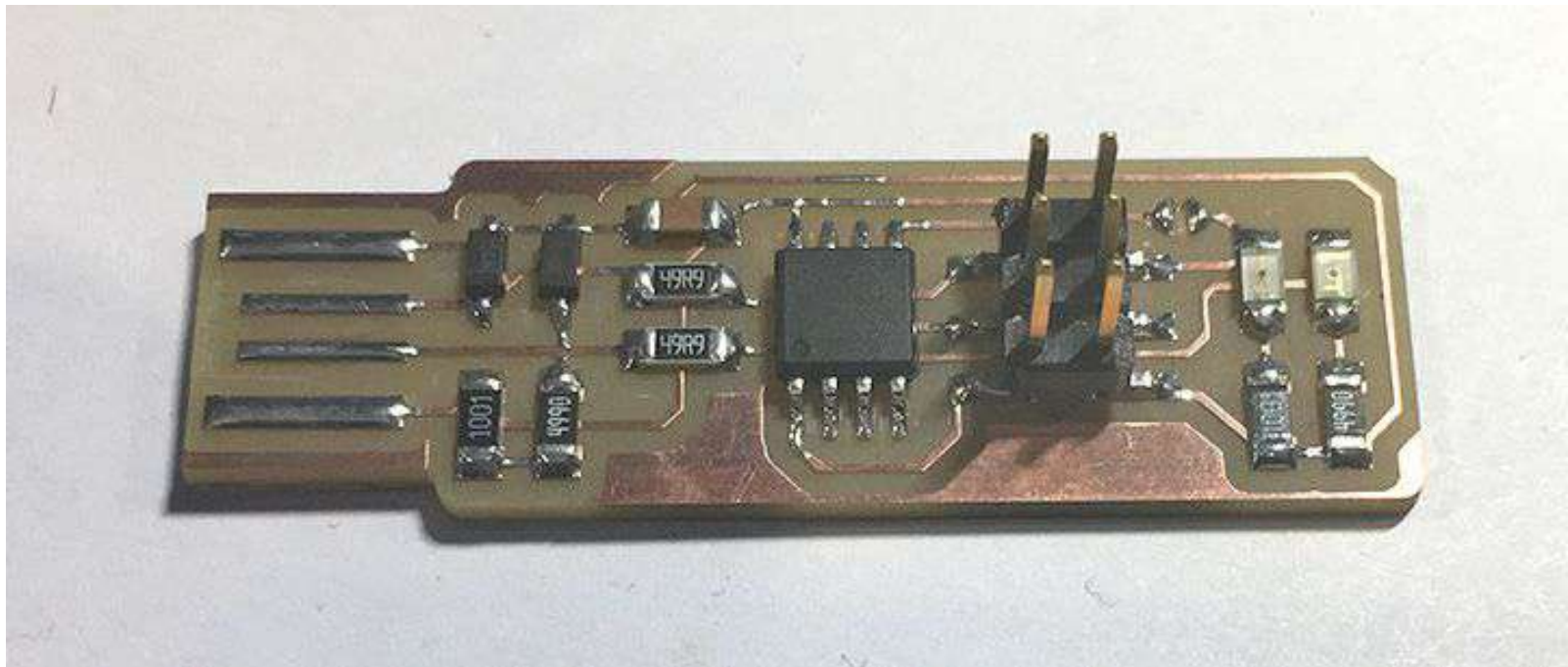






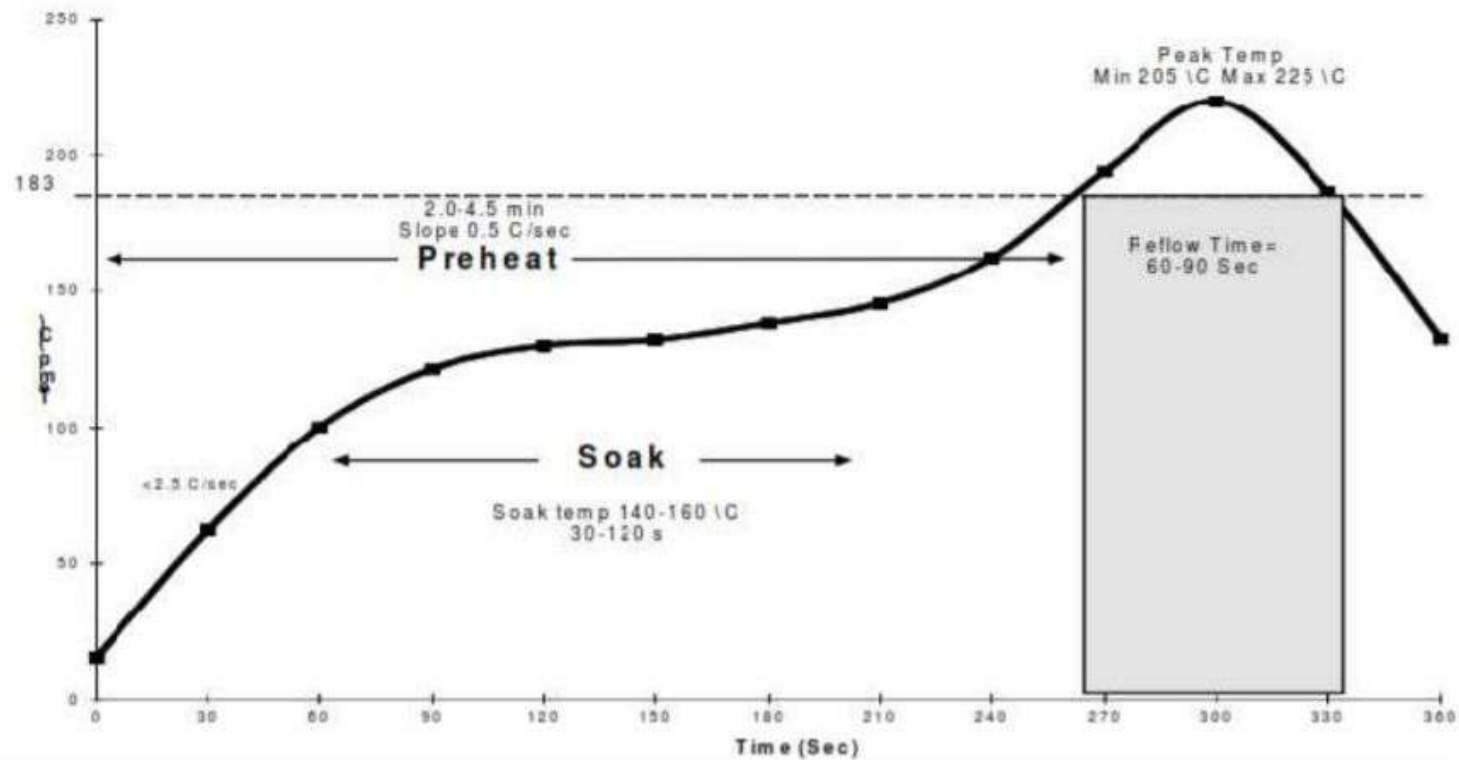






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Reflow soldering









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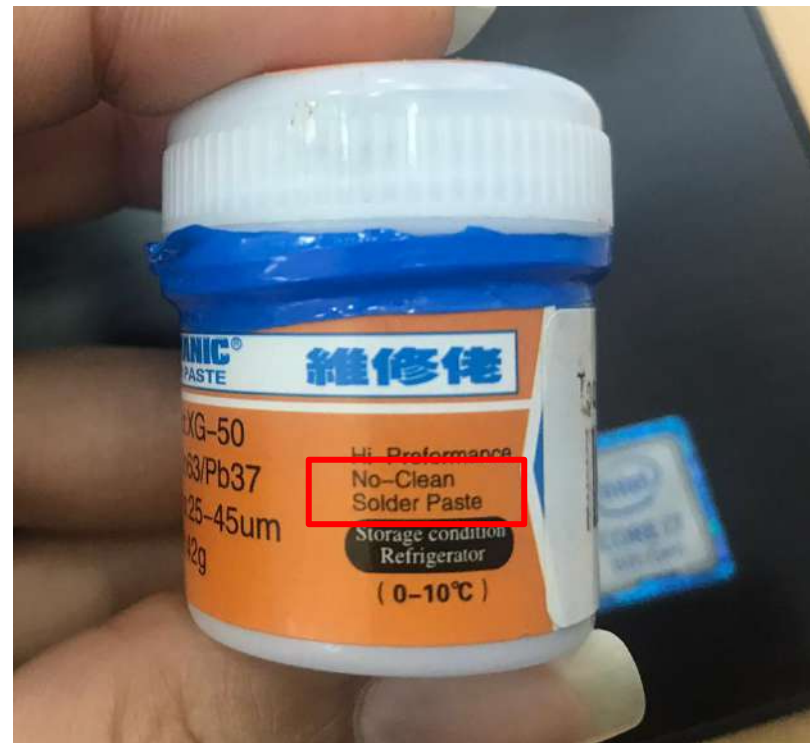
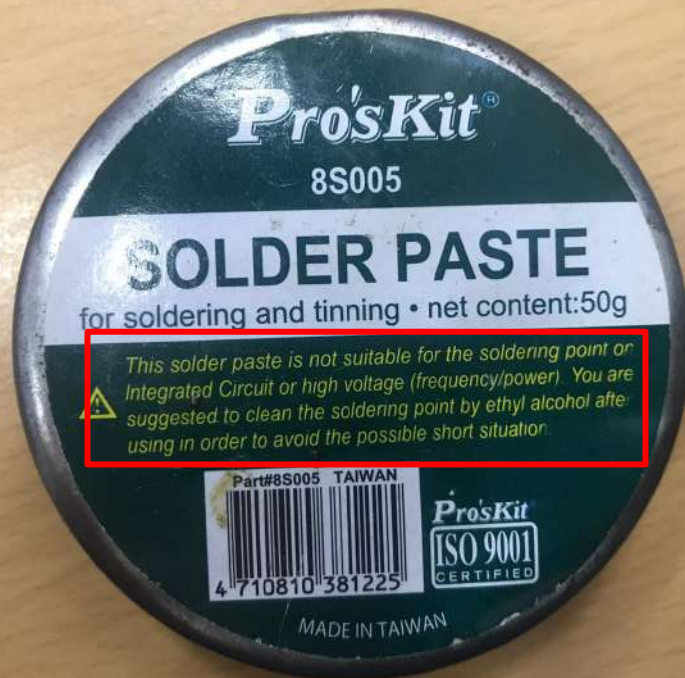


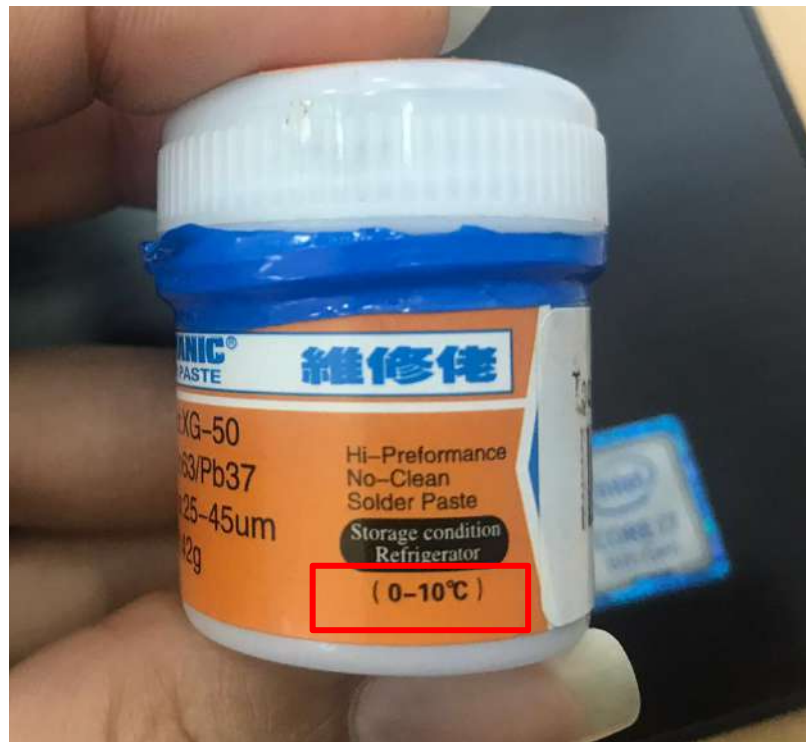
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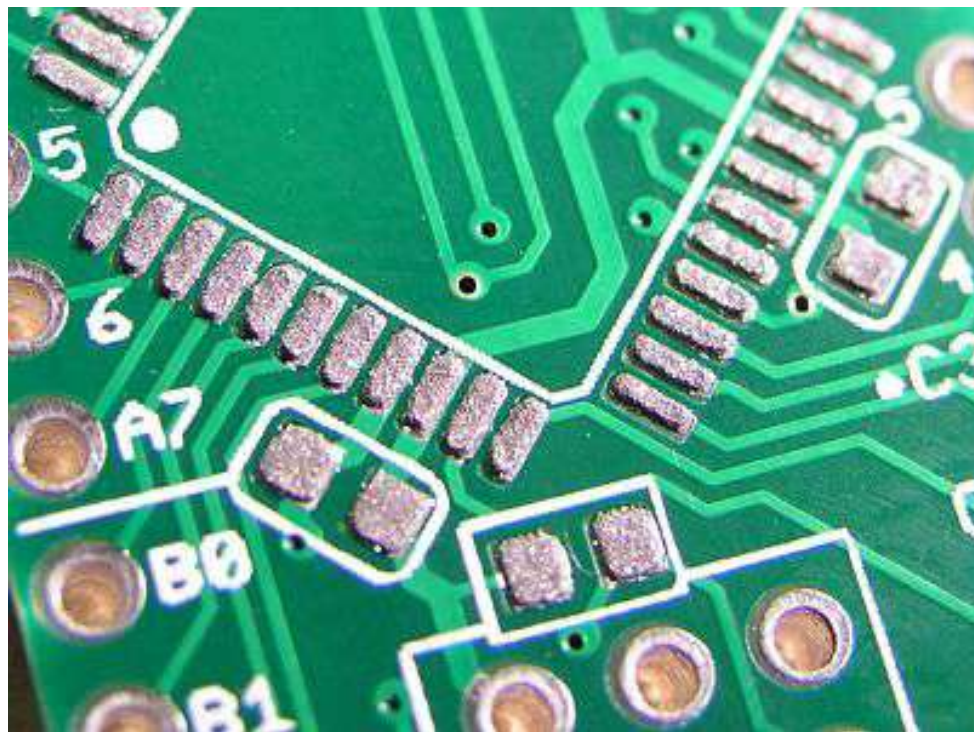
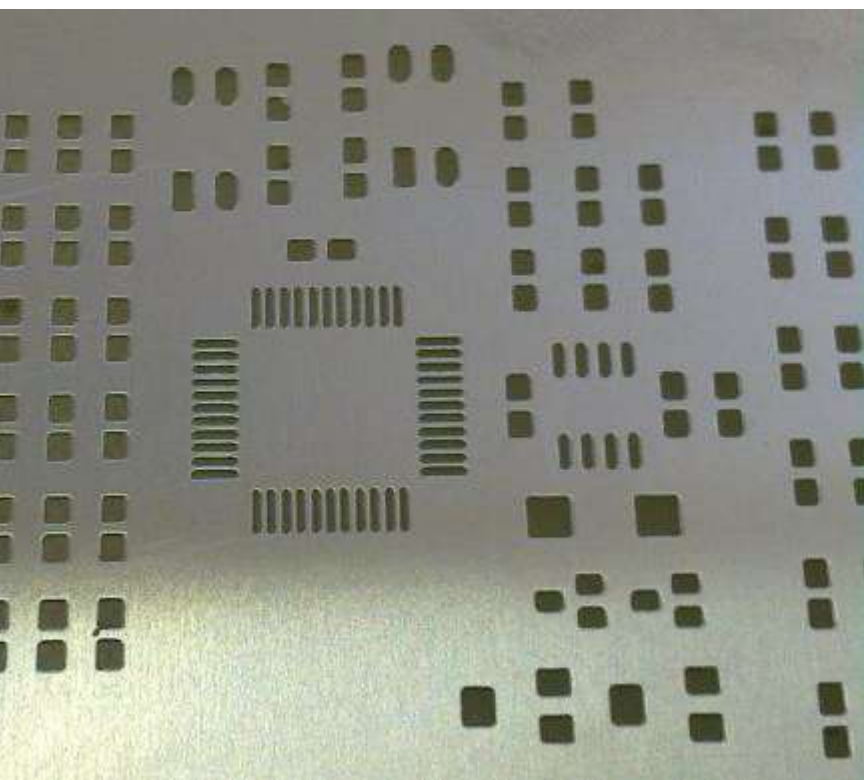
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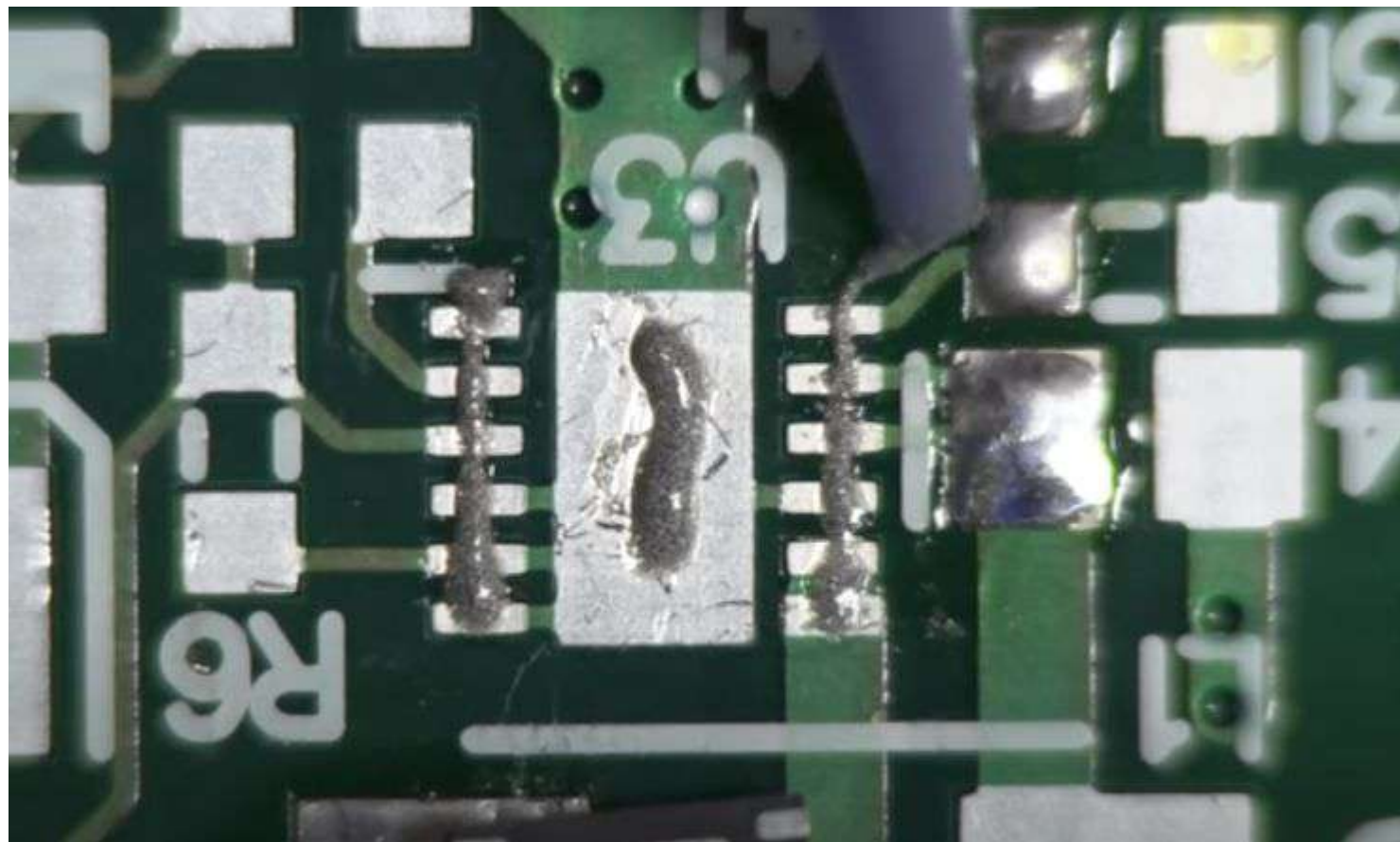
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| Manufacturer Product Number | TS391SNL |
| Supplier | Chip Quik Inc. |
| Description | THERMALLY STABLE SOLDER PASTE NO |
| Manufacturer Standard Lead Time | 3 Weeks |
| Detailed Description | Lead Free No-Clean Solder Paste Sn96.5Ag3Cu0.5 (96.5/3/0.5) - Syringe, 0.53 oz (15g), 5cc |
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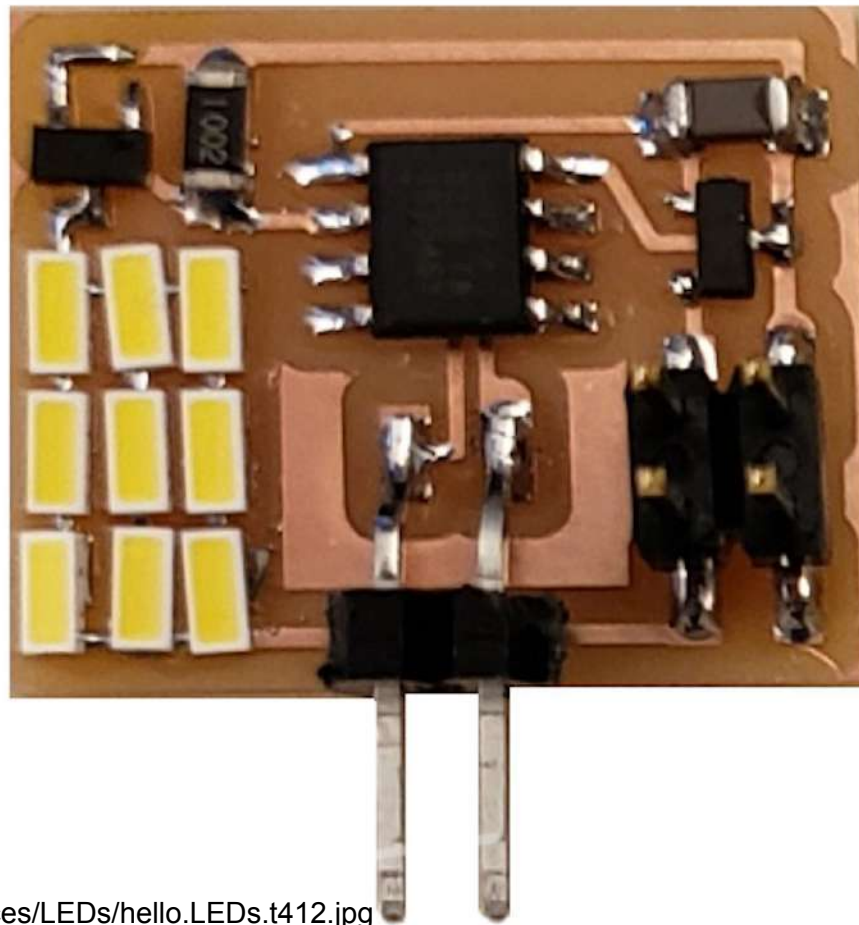
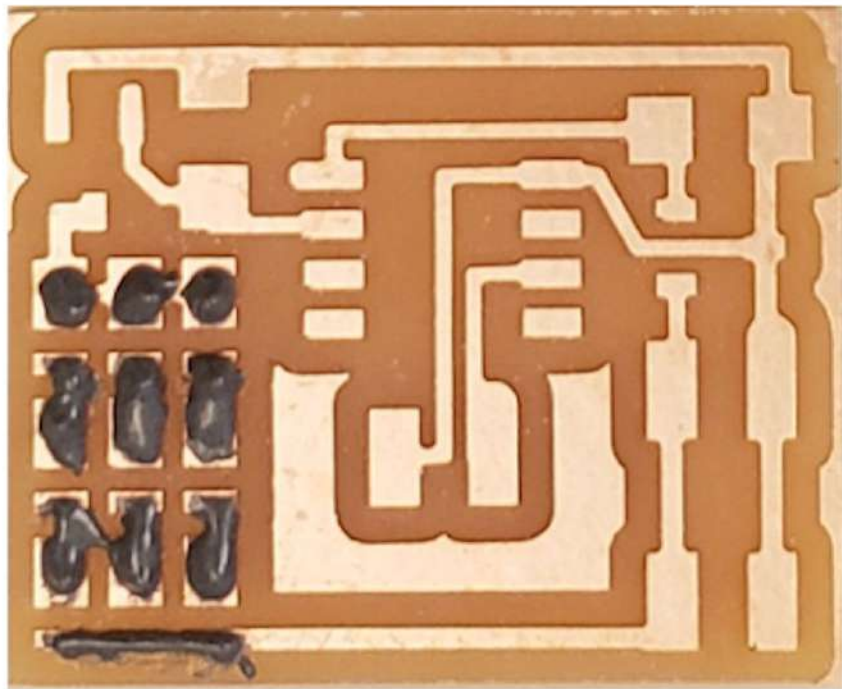
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| Composition | Sn96.5Ag3Cu0.5 (96.5/3/0.5) |
| Diameter | - |
| Melting Point | 423 ~ 428°F (217 ~ 220°C) |
| Flux Type | No-Clean |
| Wire Gauge | - |
| Mesh Type | 4 |
| Process | Lead Free |
| Form | Syringe, 0.53 oz (15g), 5cc |
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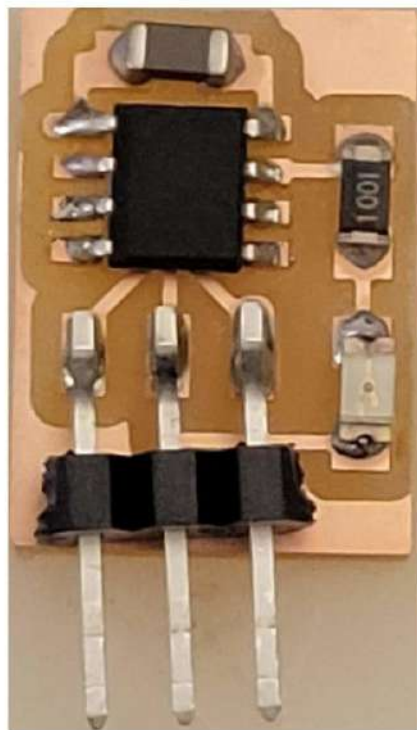
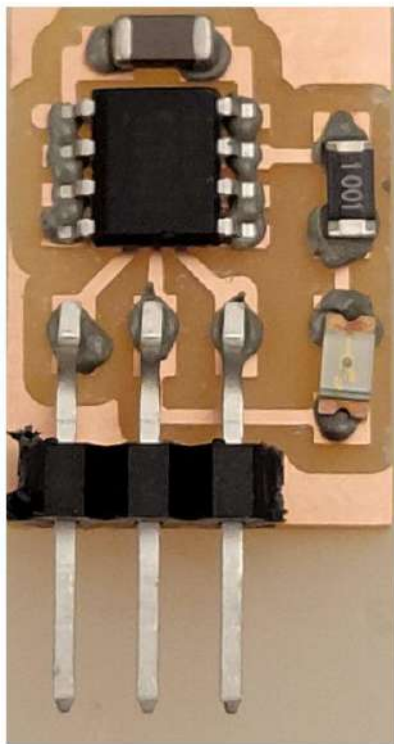


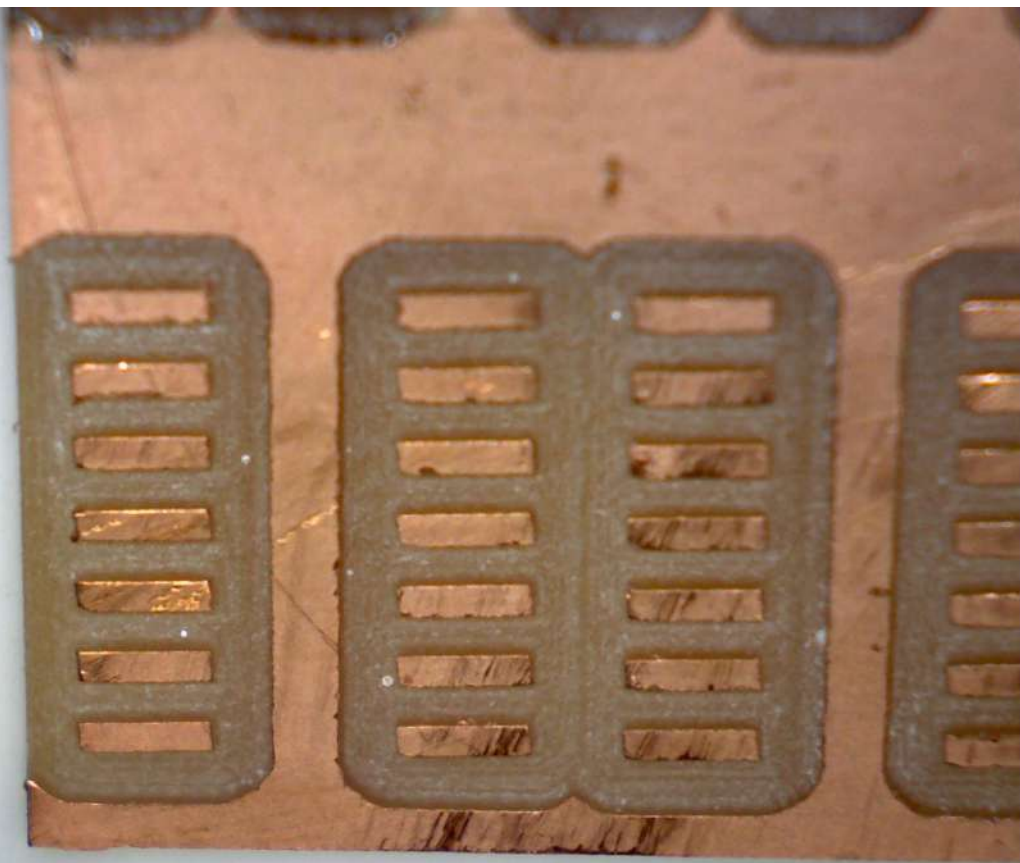


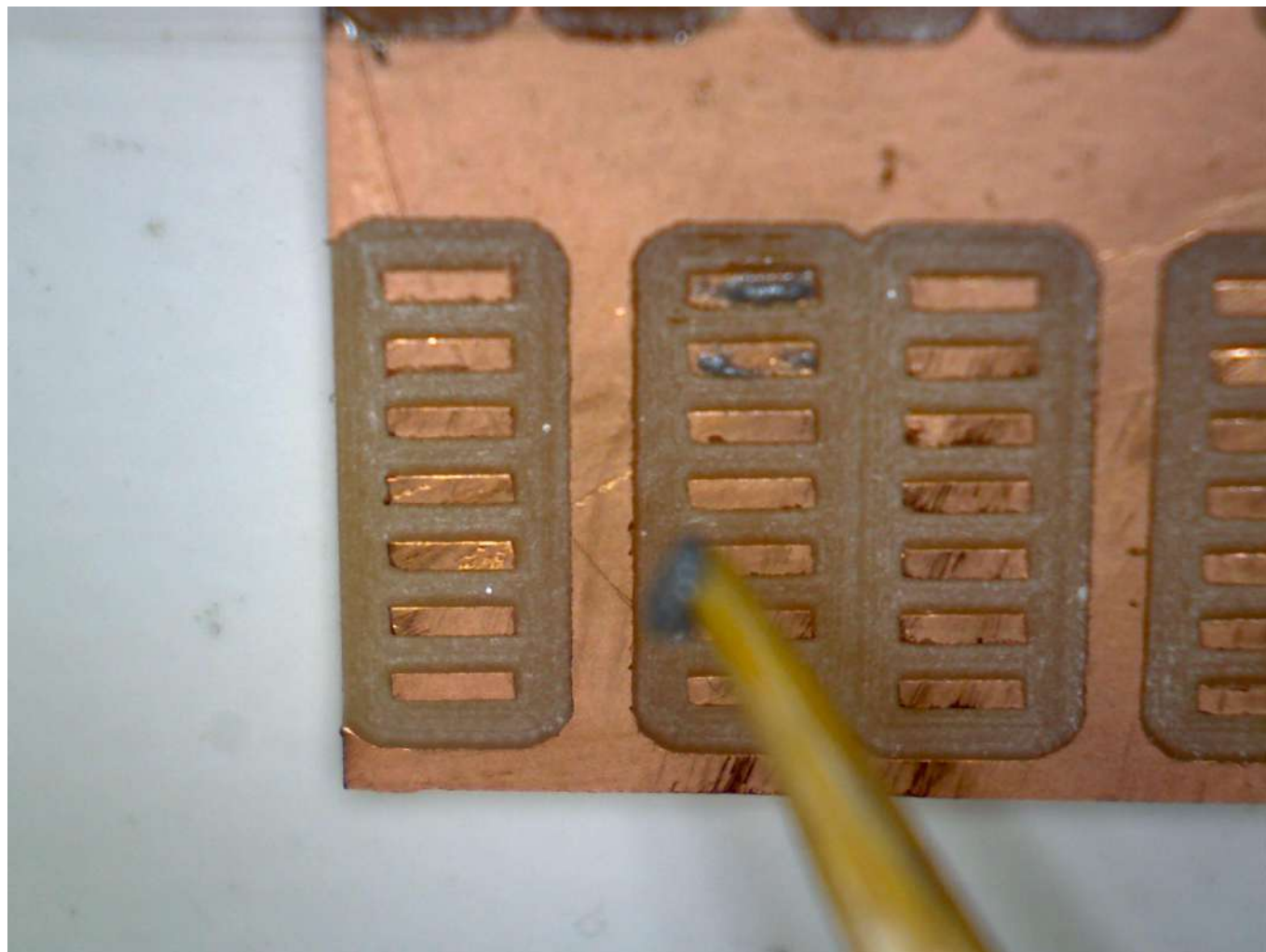


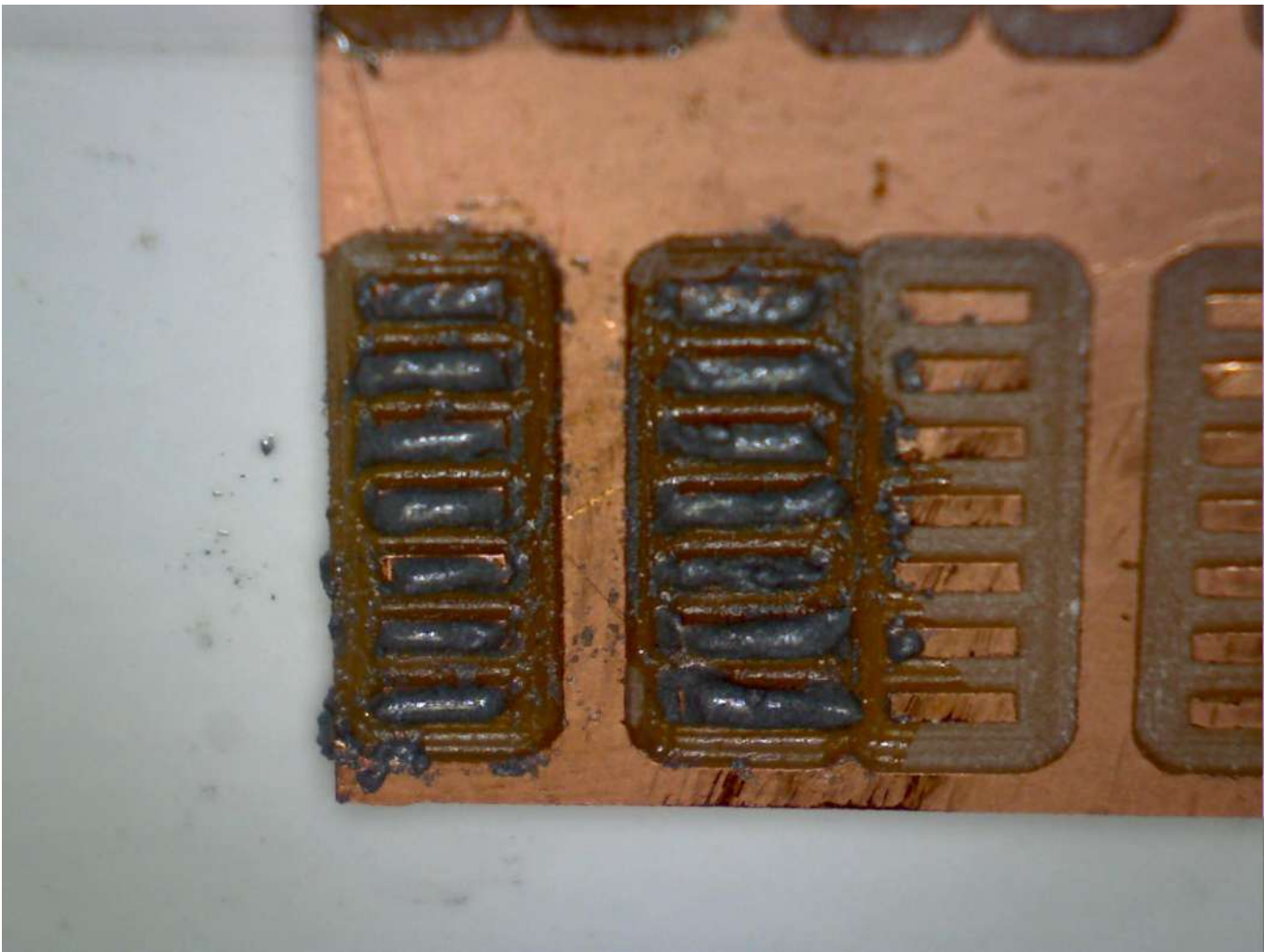


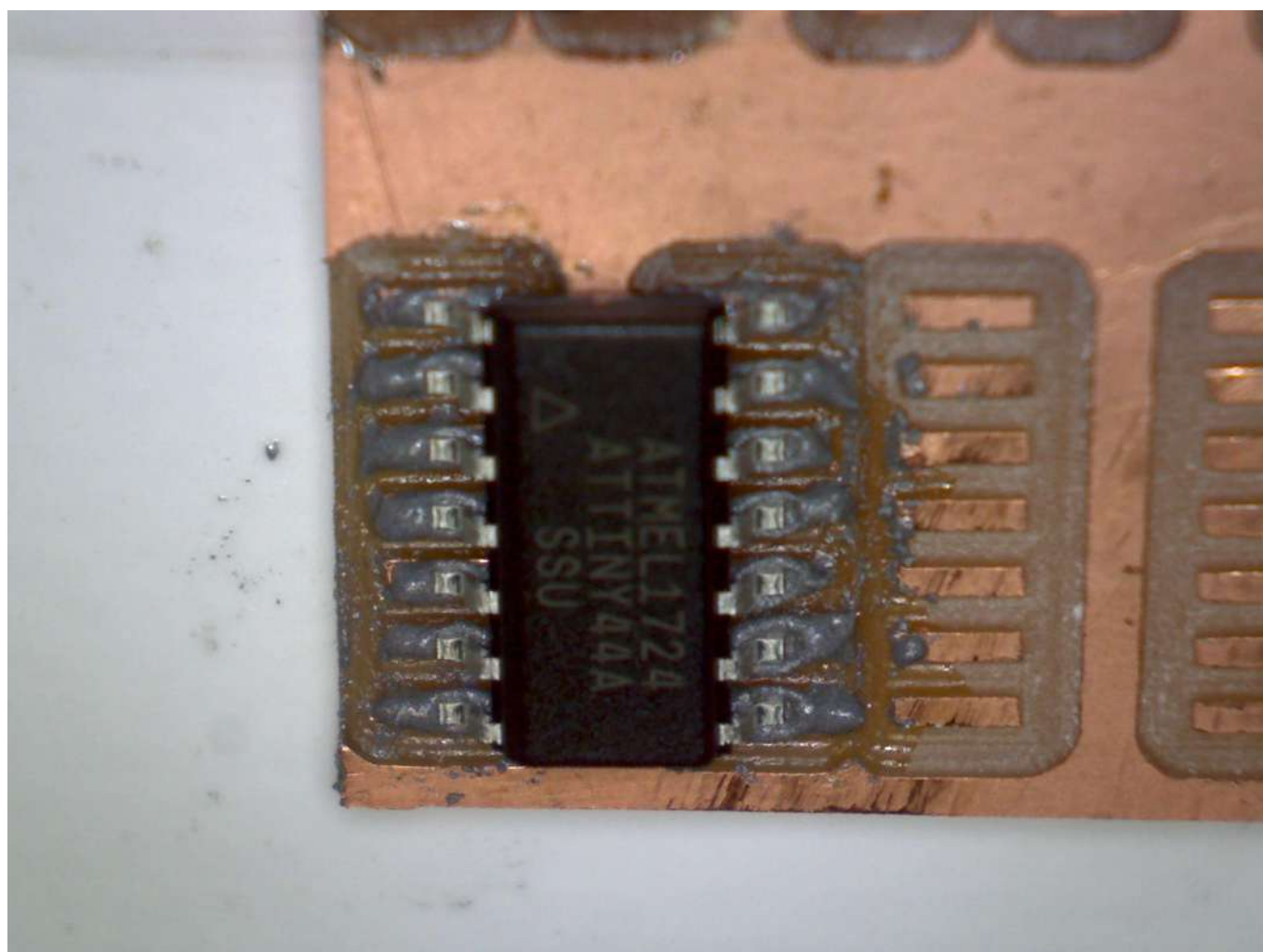
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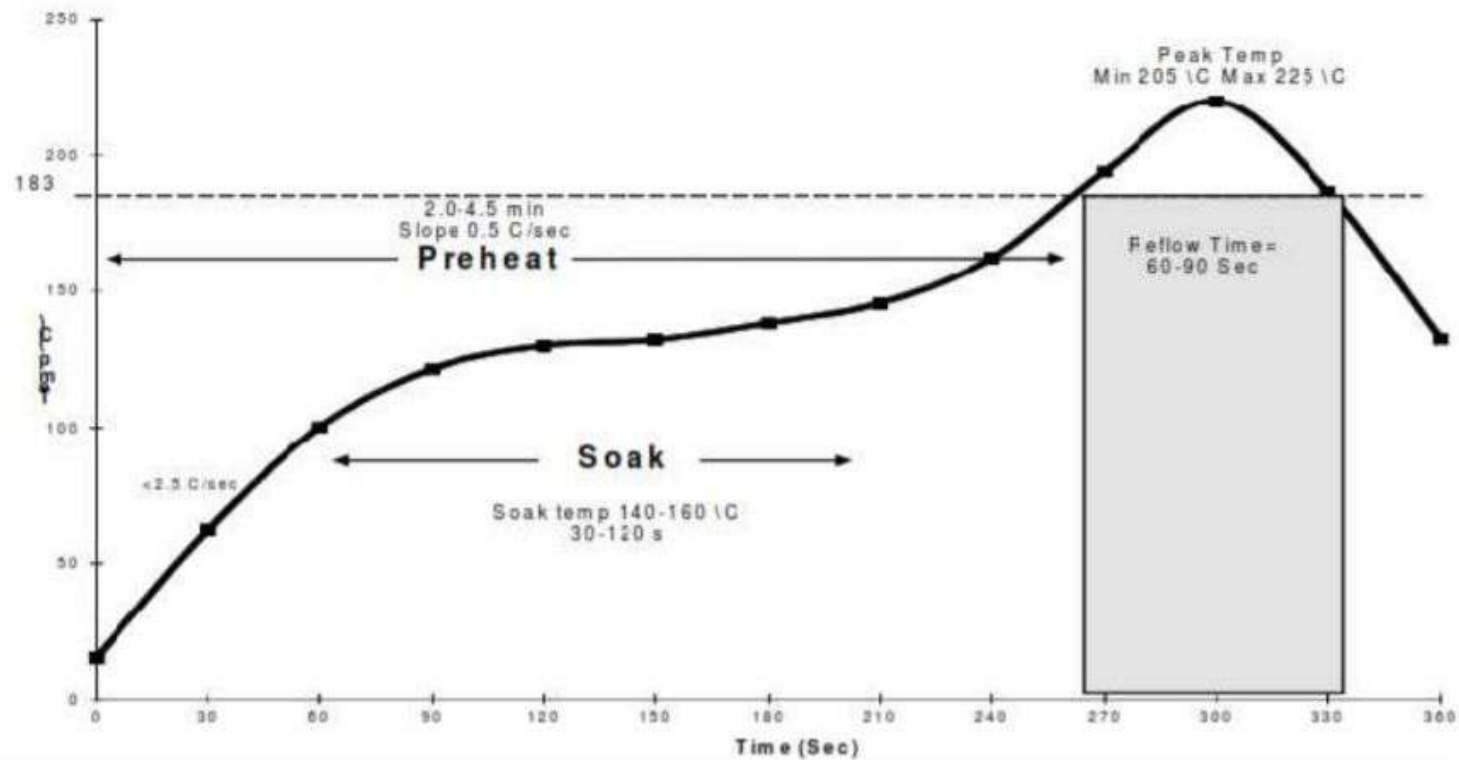




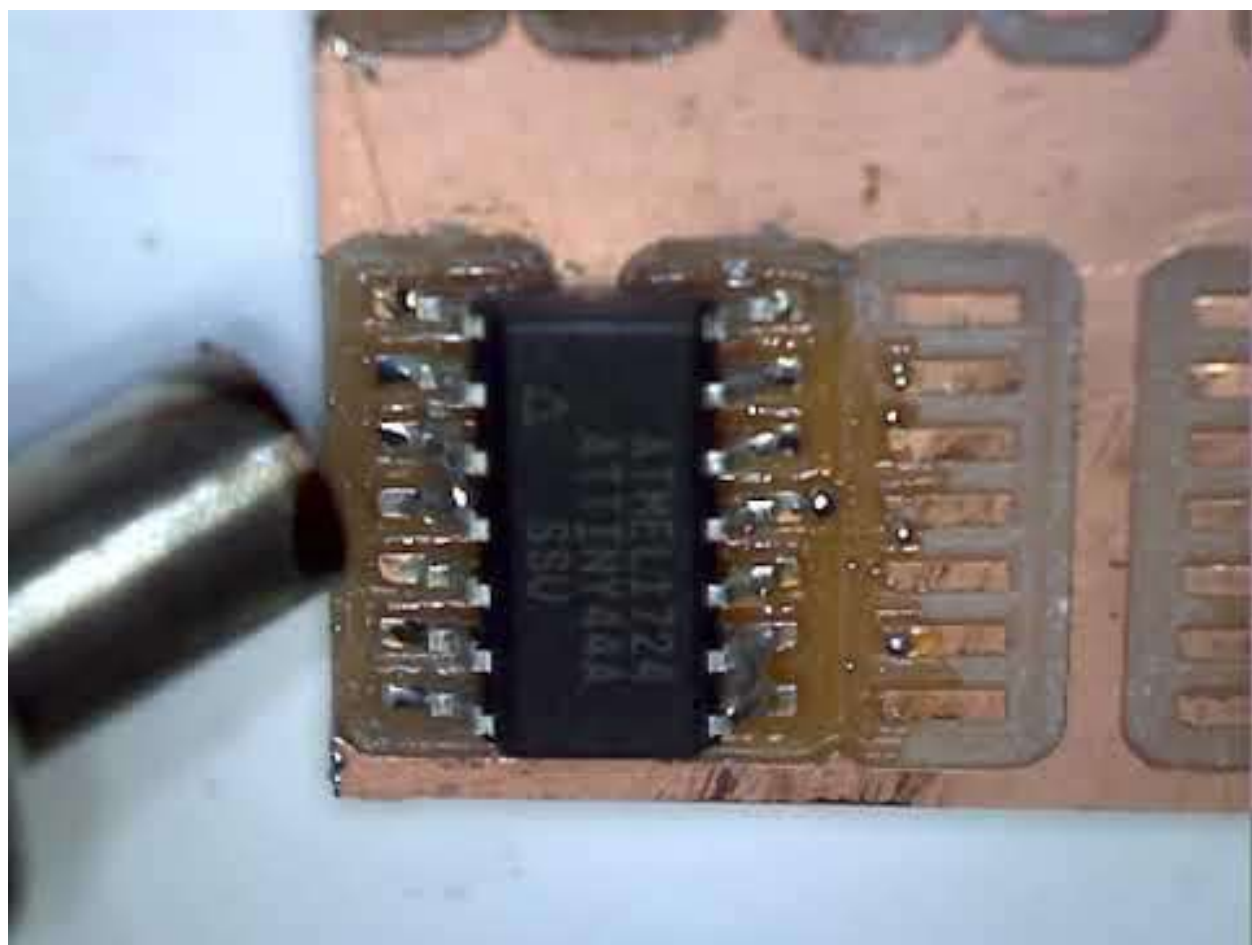


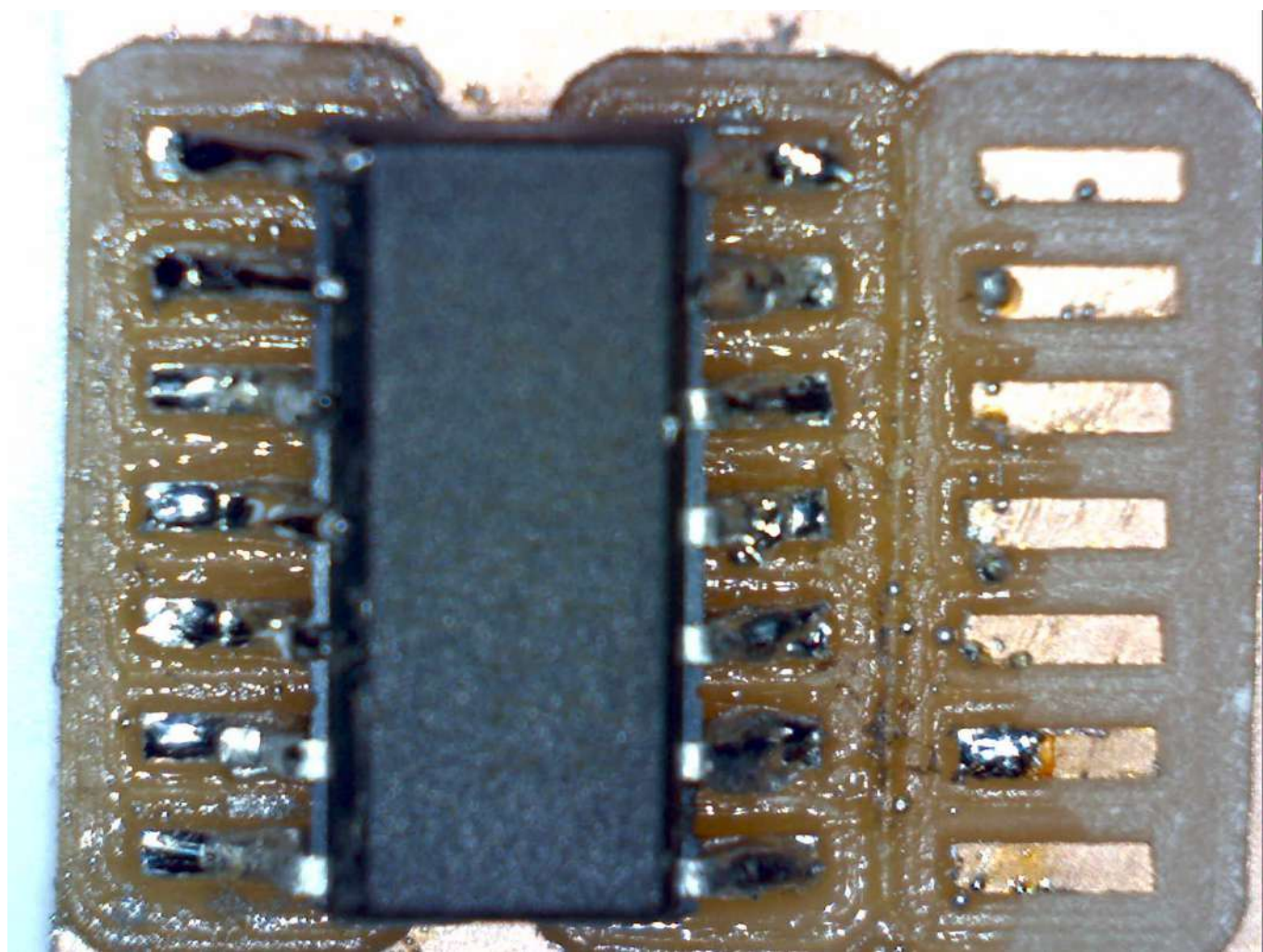


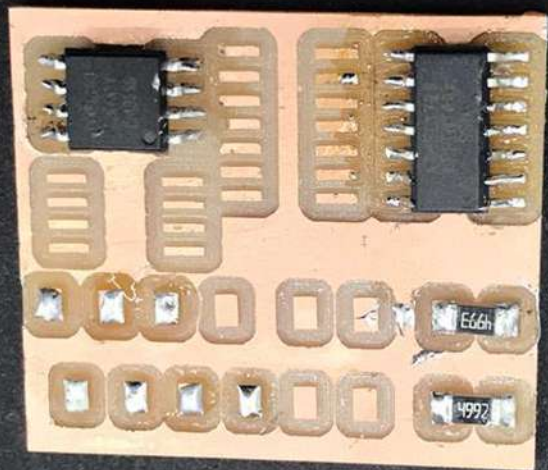


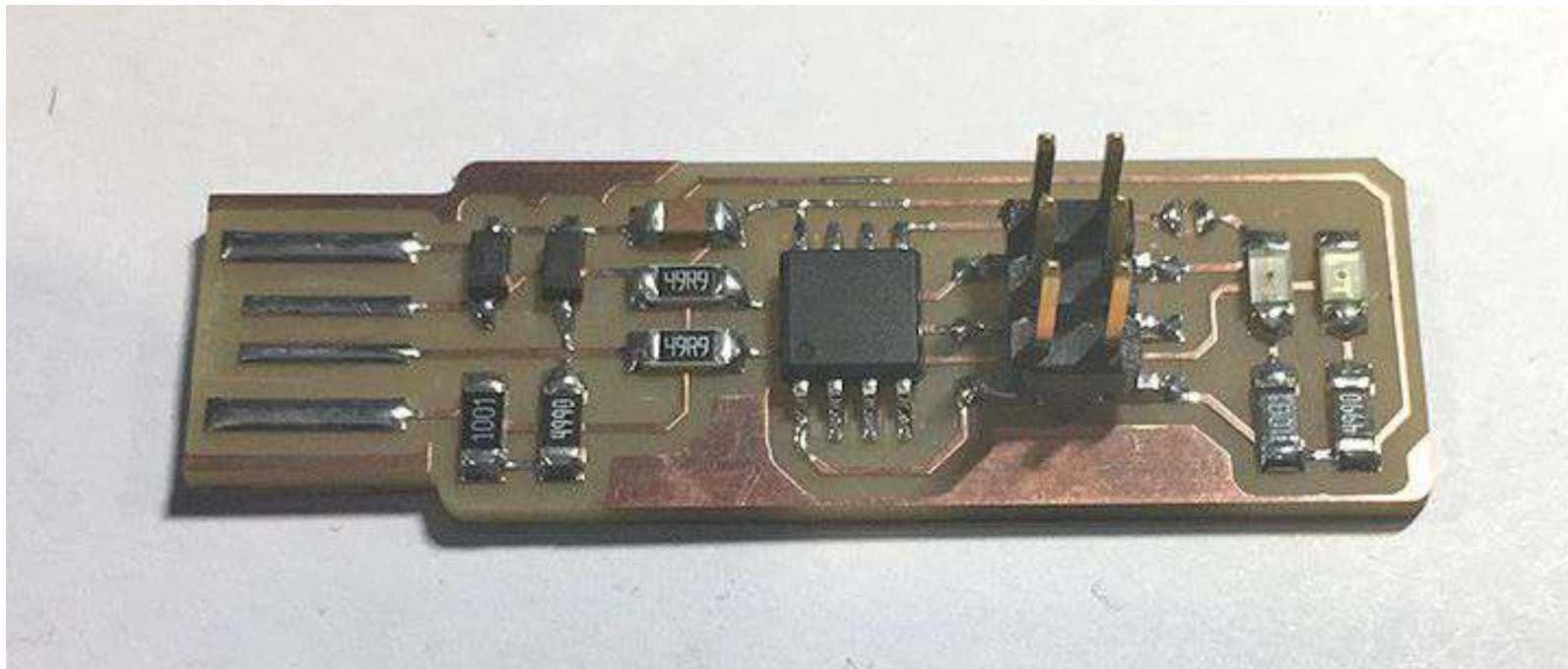








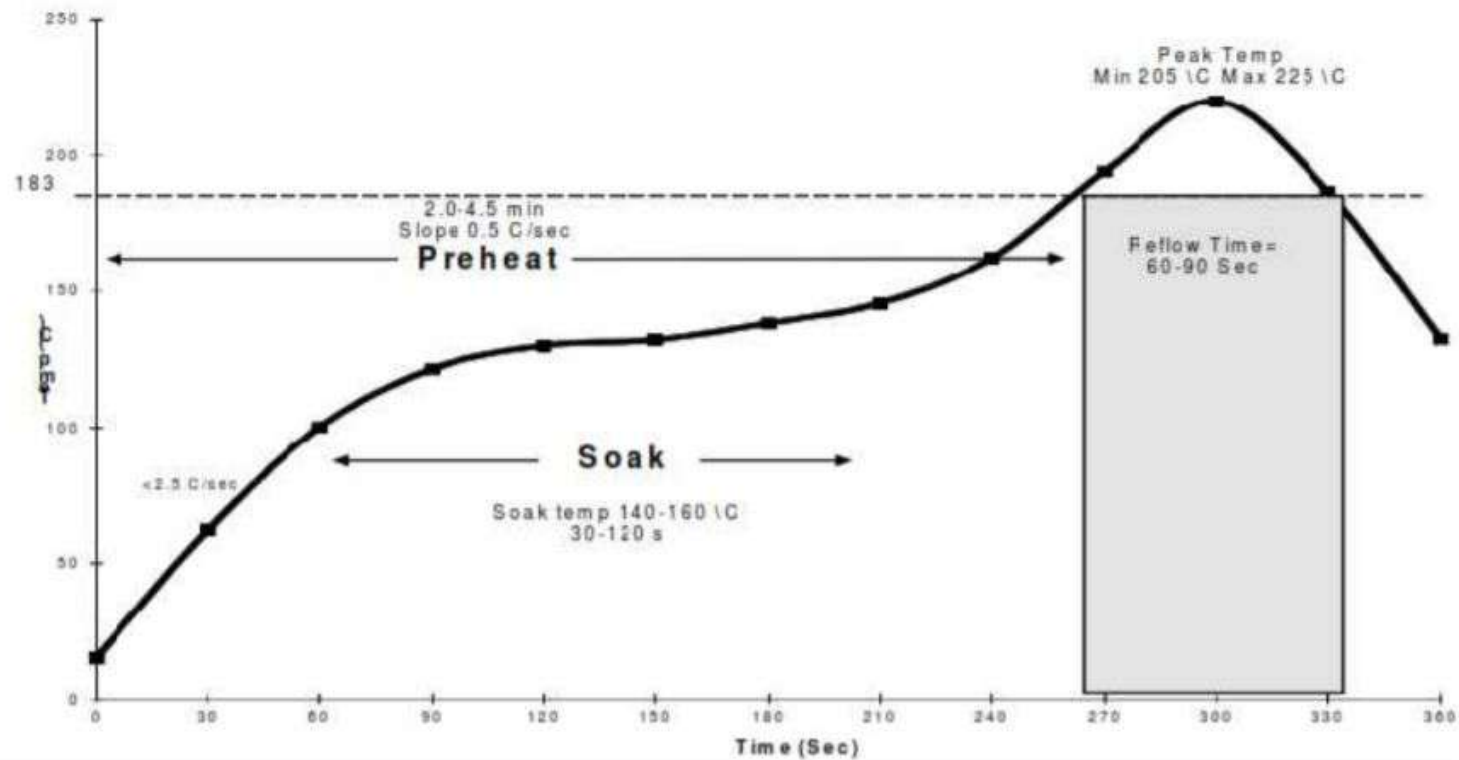


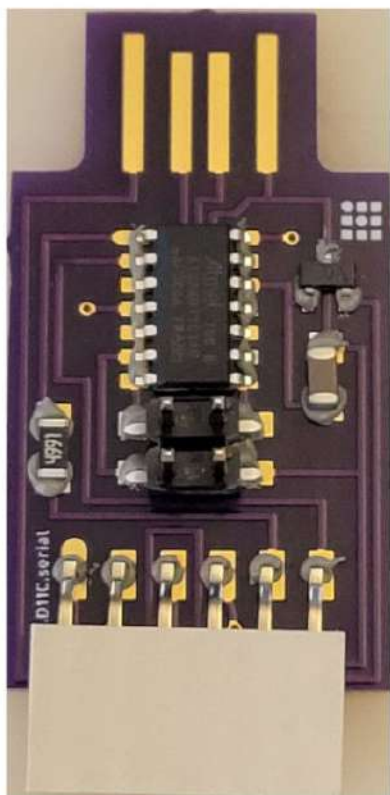
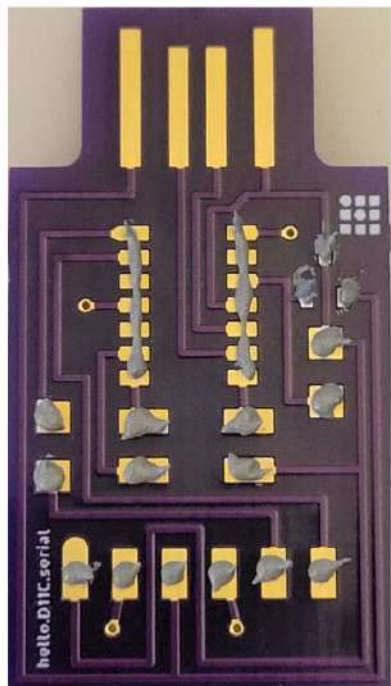


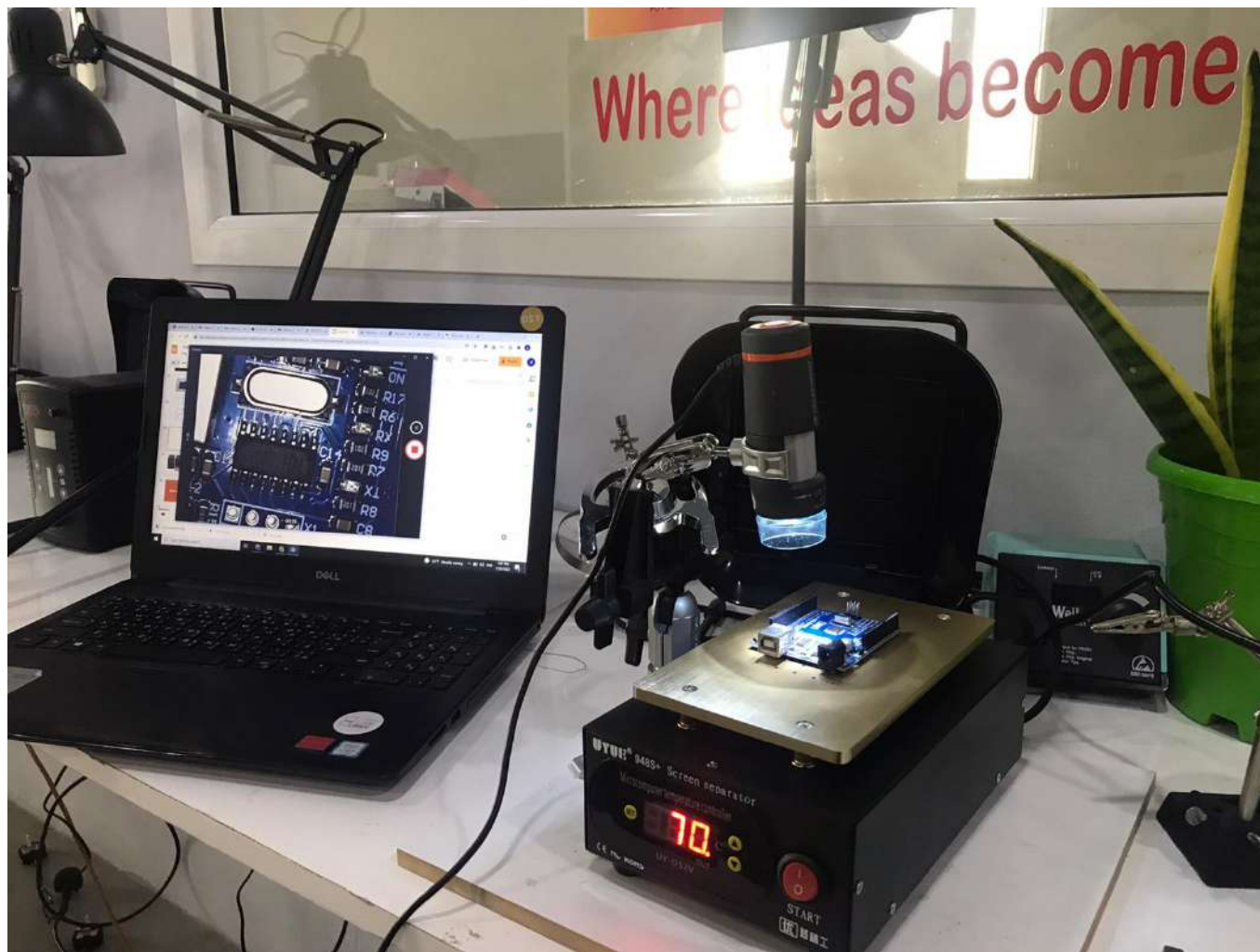
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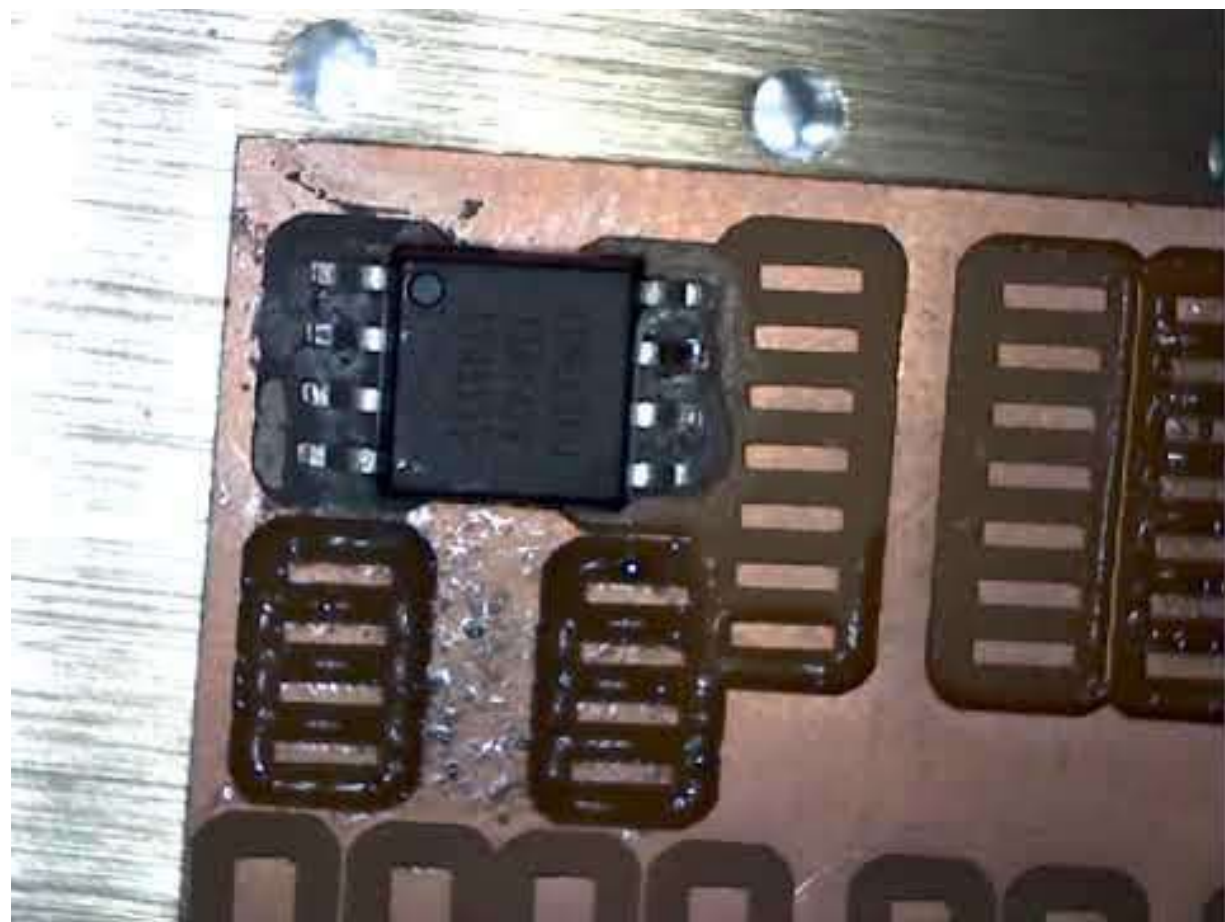


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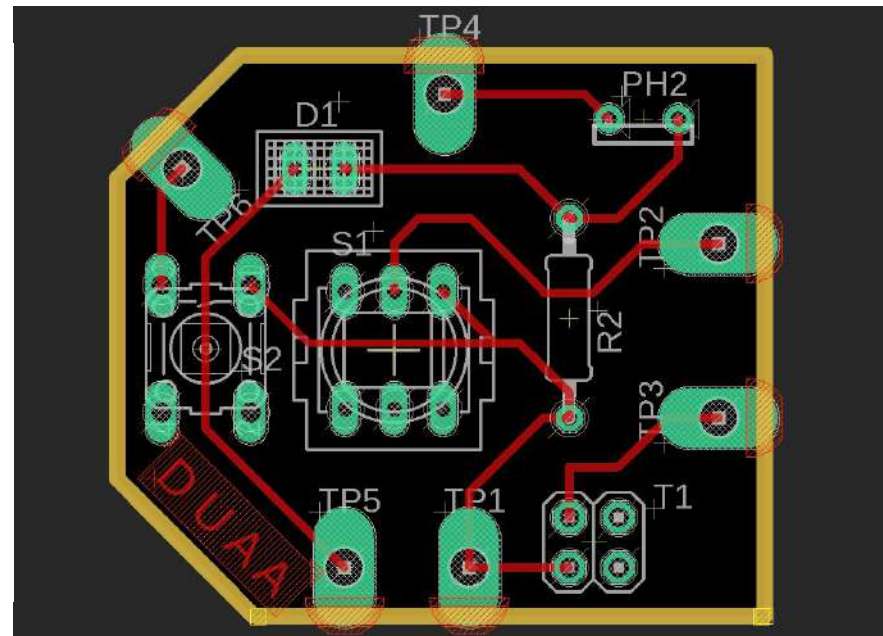
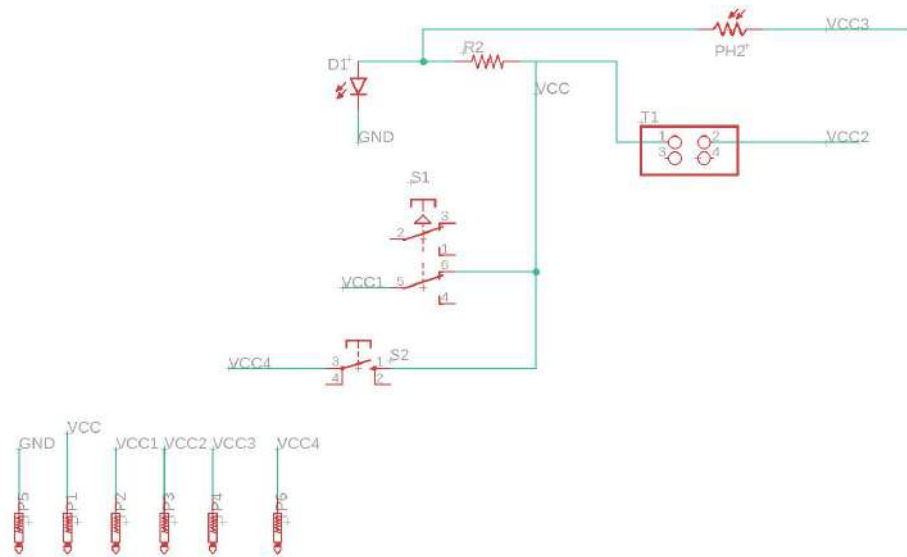








What to solder where?





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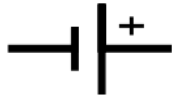
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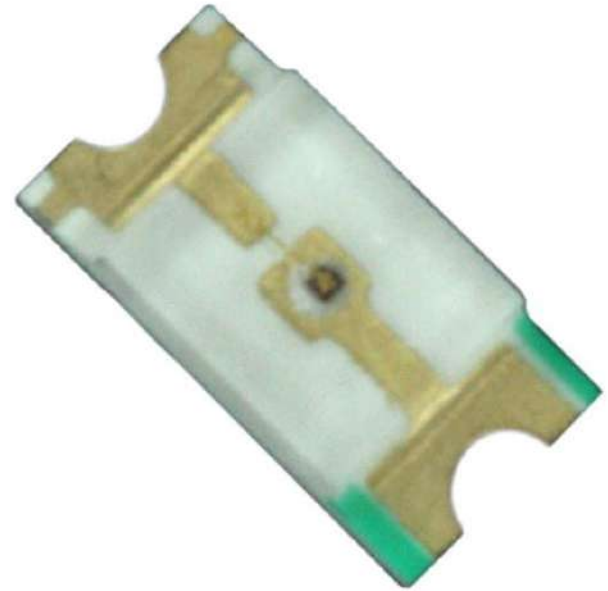
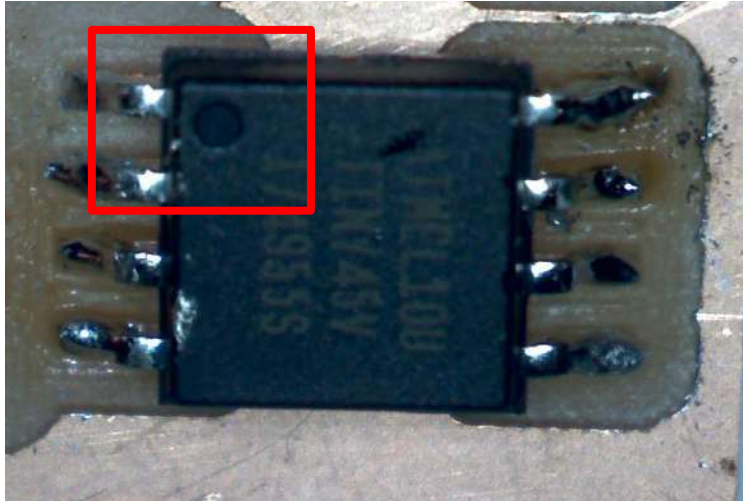
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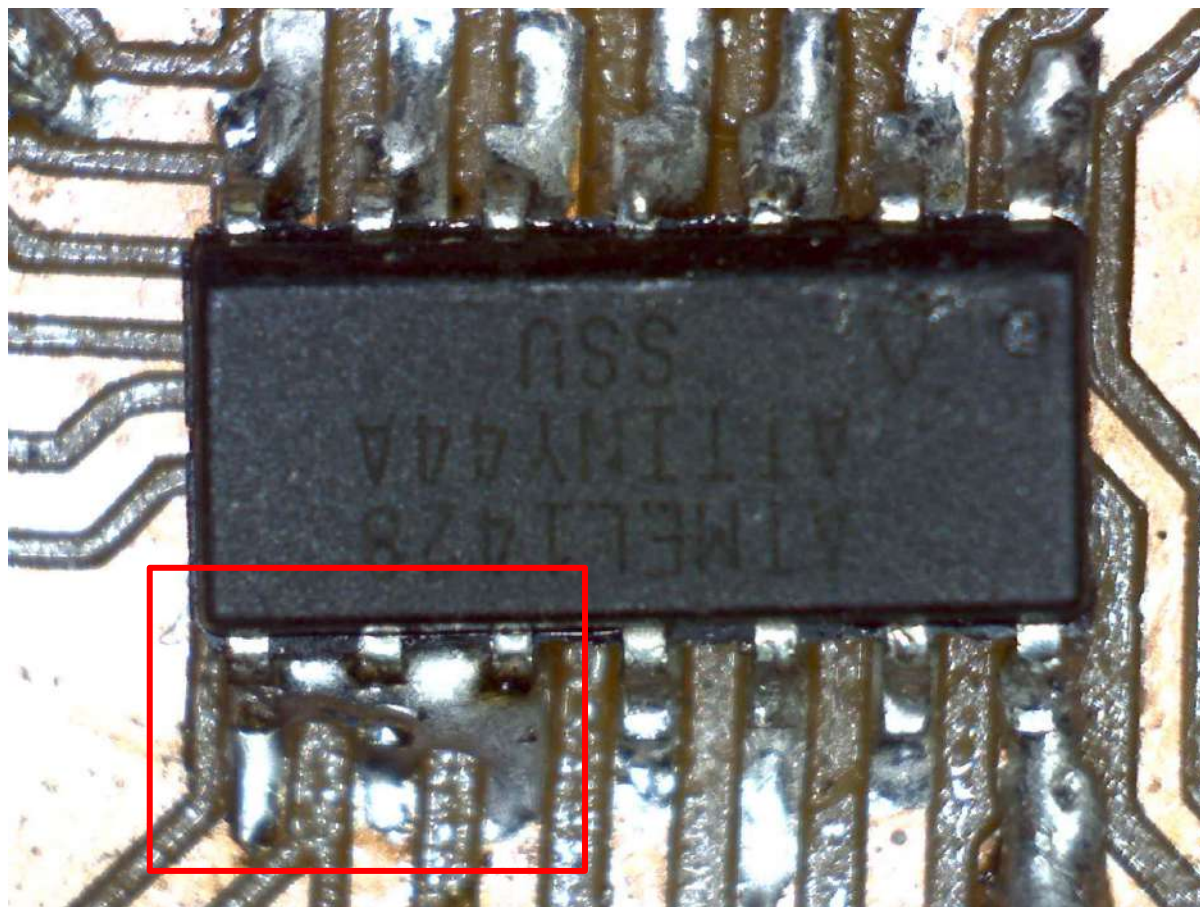


DC voltage
source



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Desoldering



Solder Sucker

Great for desoldering.
Sucks the solder out from
the joint

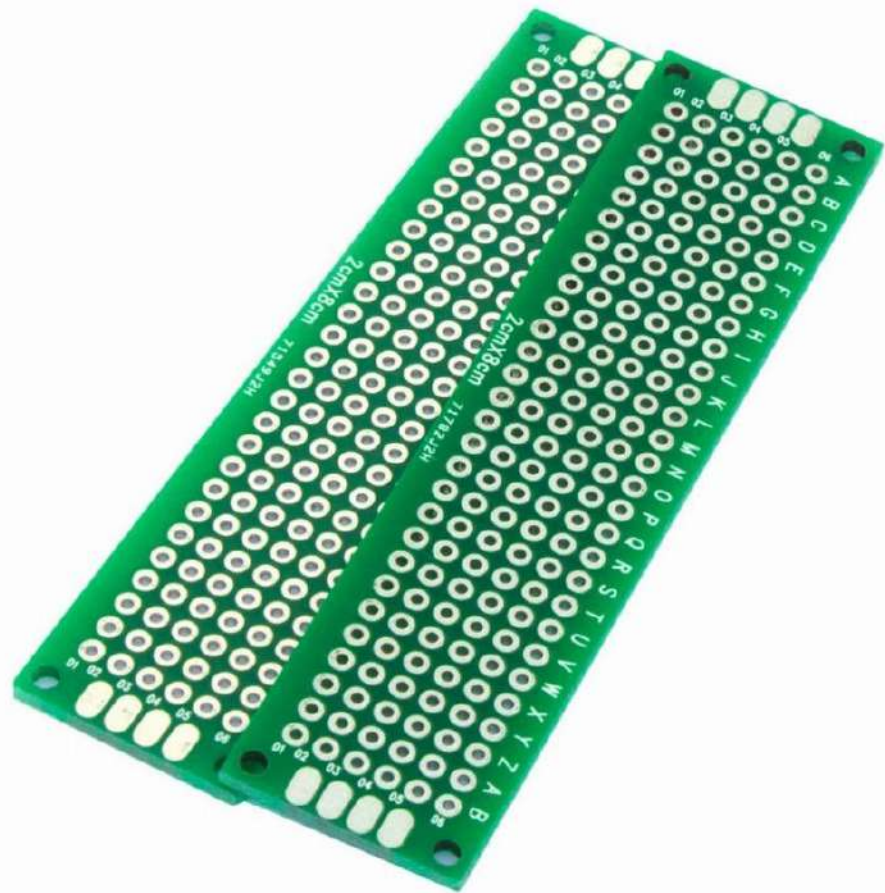


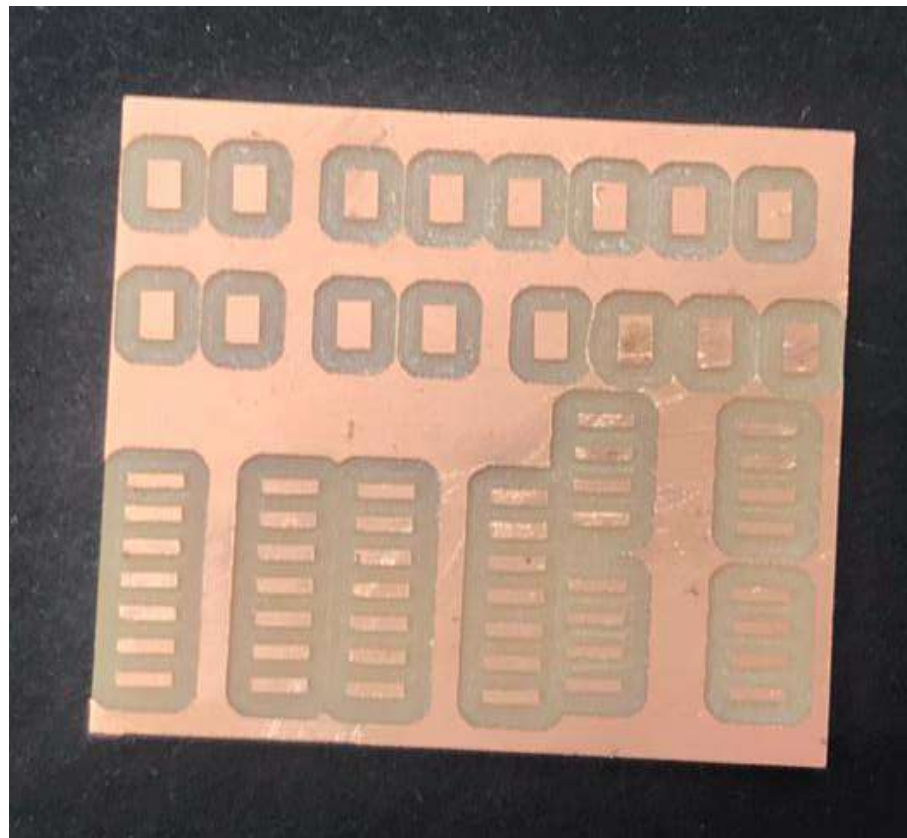
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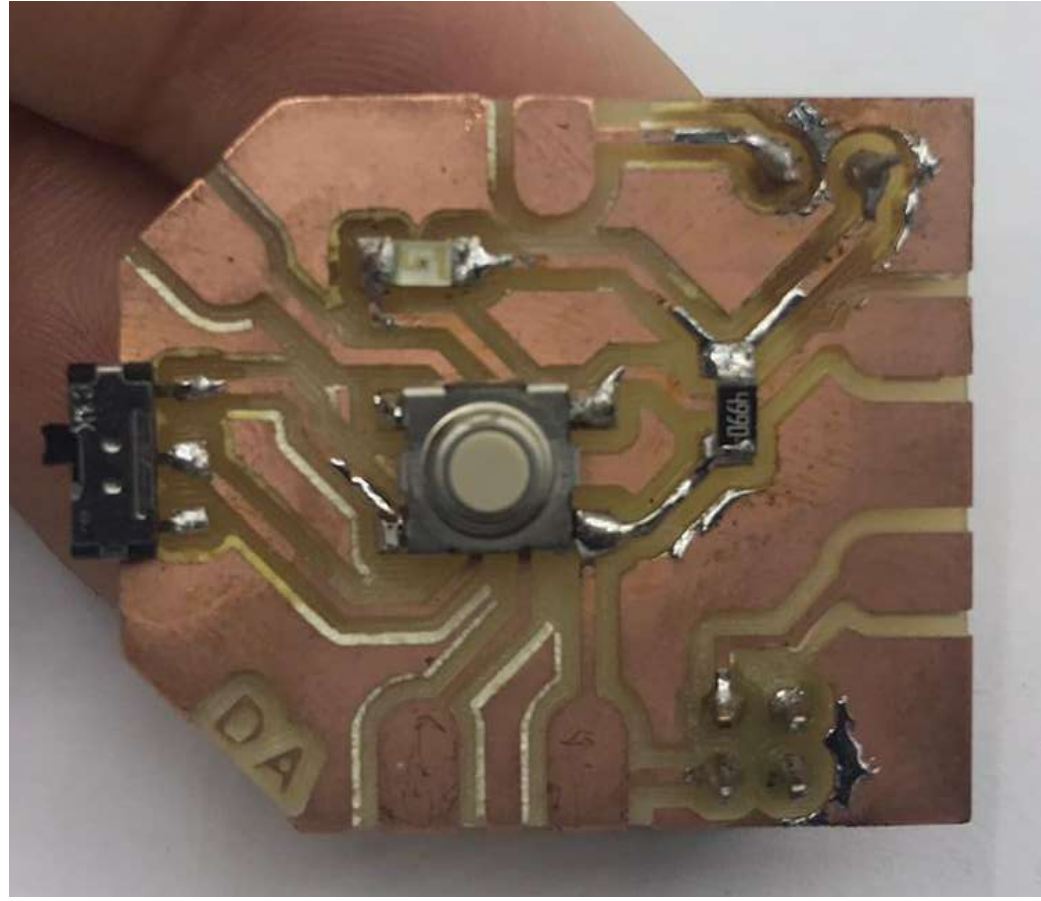
Great for desoldering.
Absorbs the solder out
from the joint



How to get better





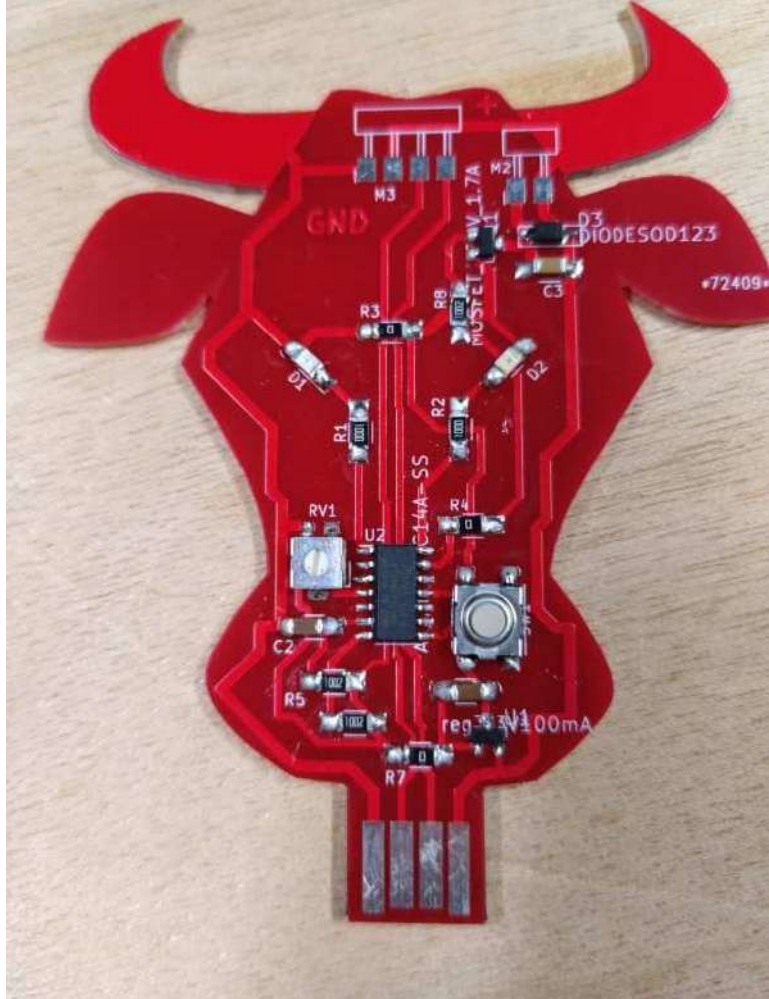




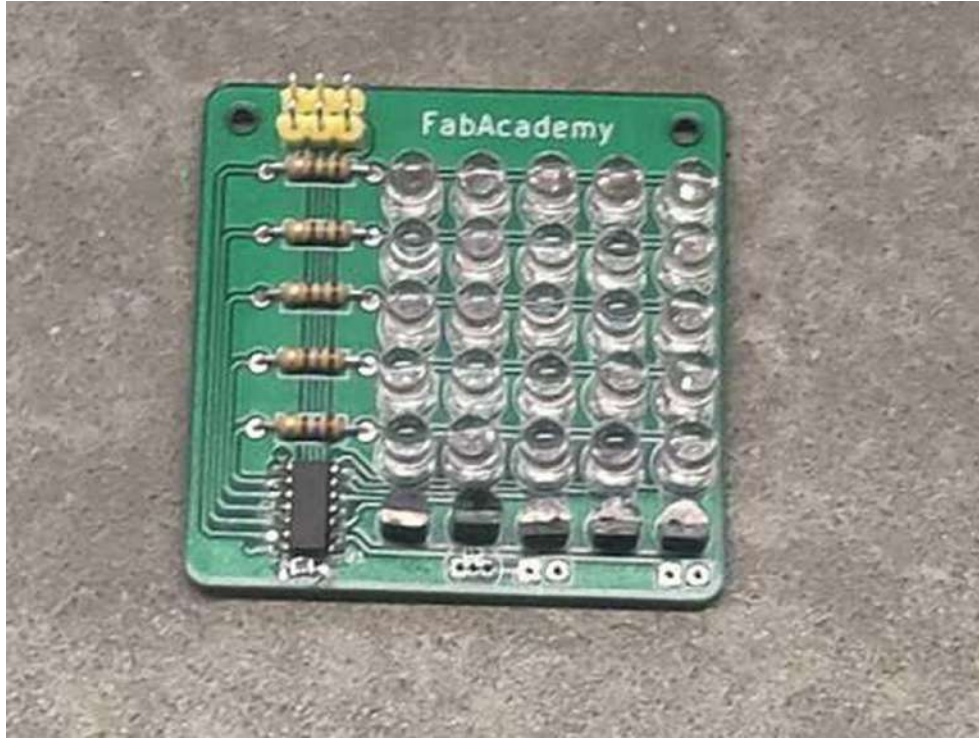


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