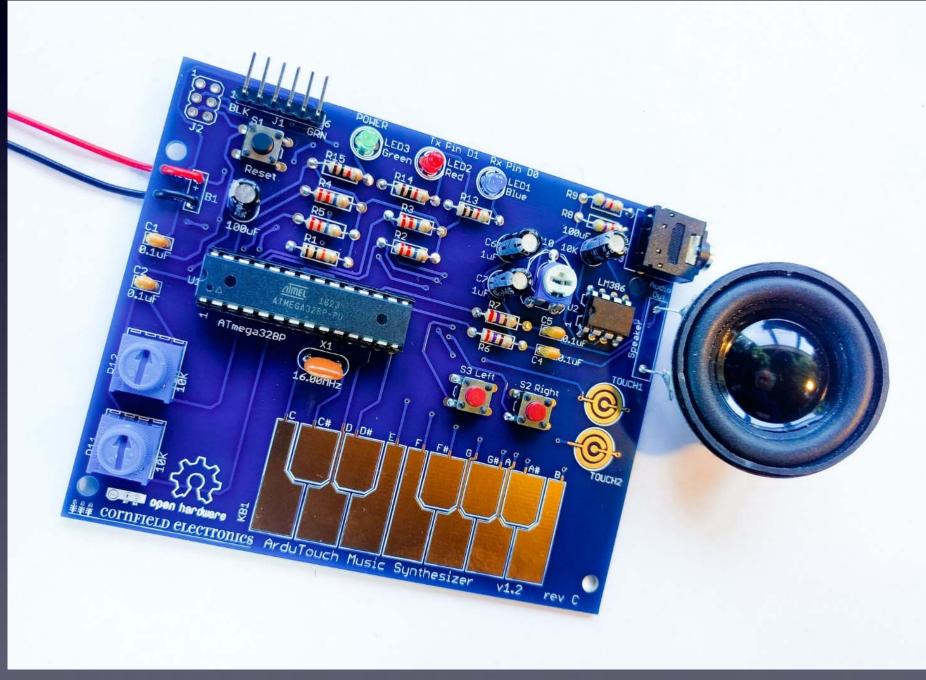
ArduTouch Music Synthesizer

Assembly Instructions
& Programming Instructions

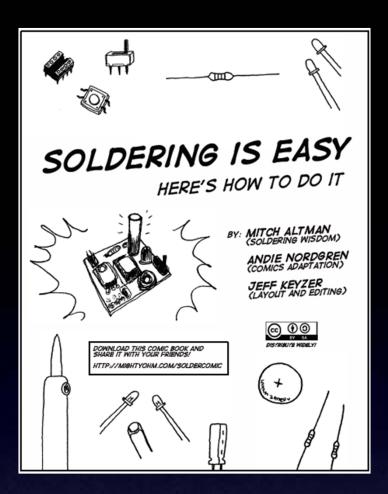


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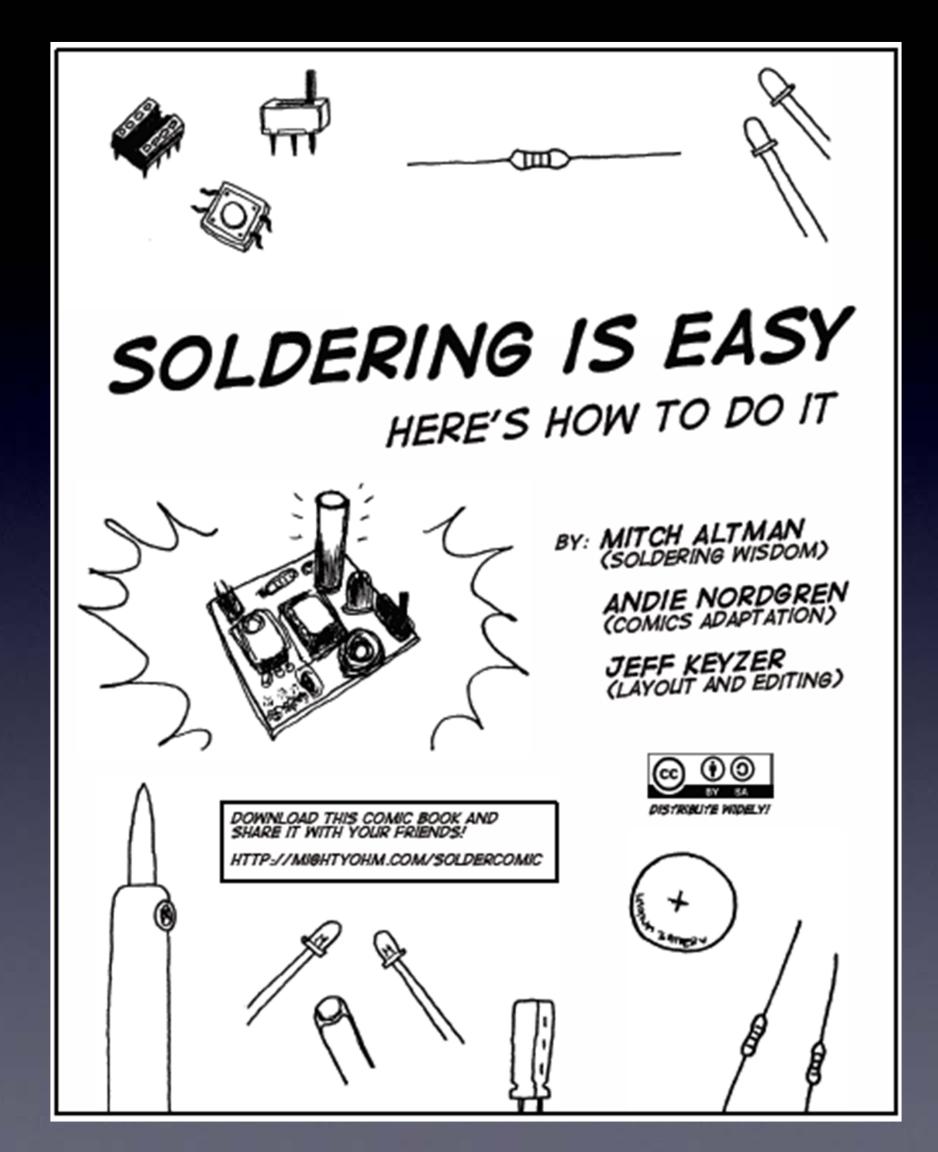
The following photos will show you how to solder.

But feel free to download the "Soldering Is Easy" comic book for free!

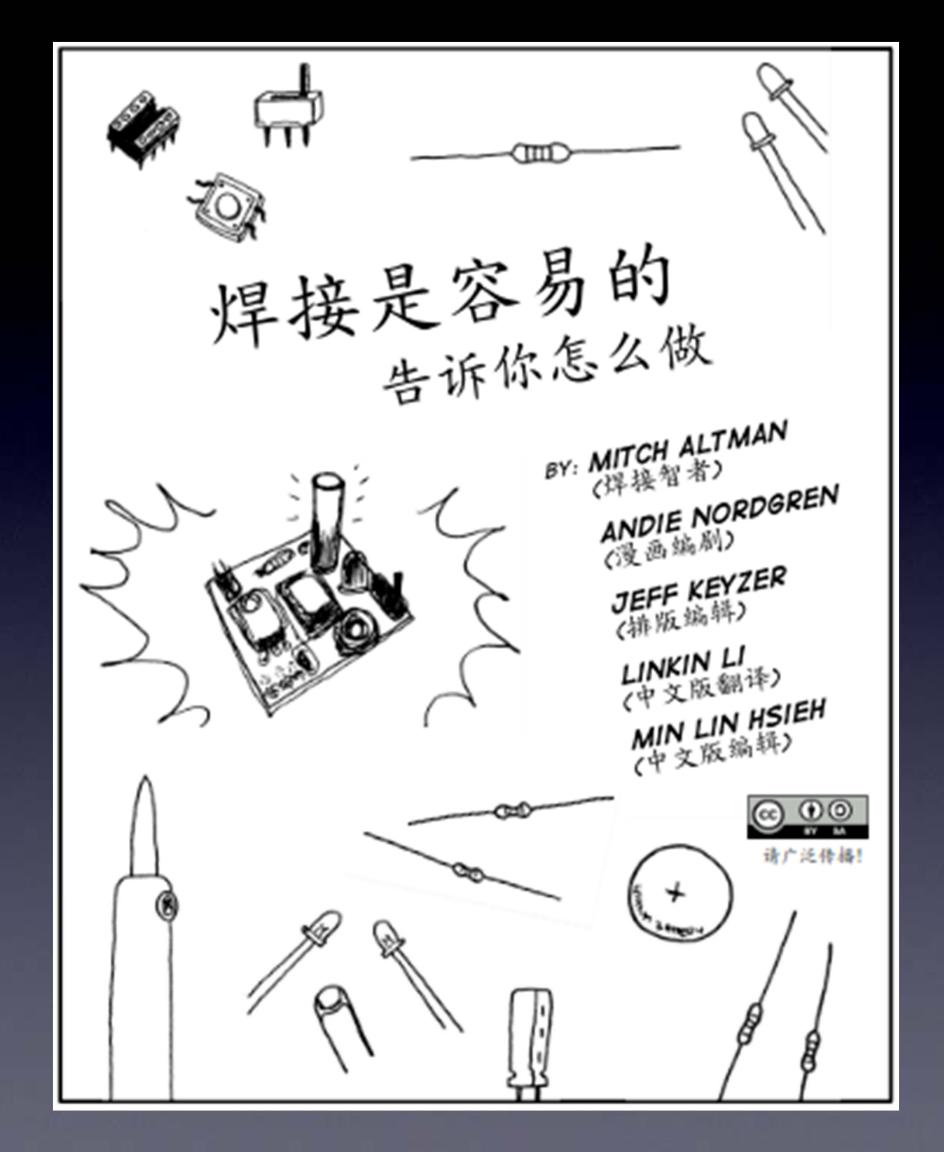
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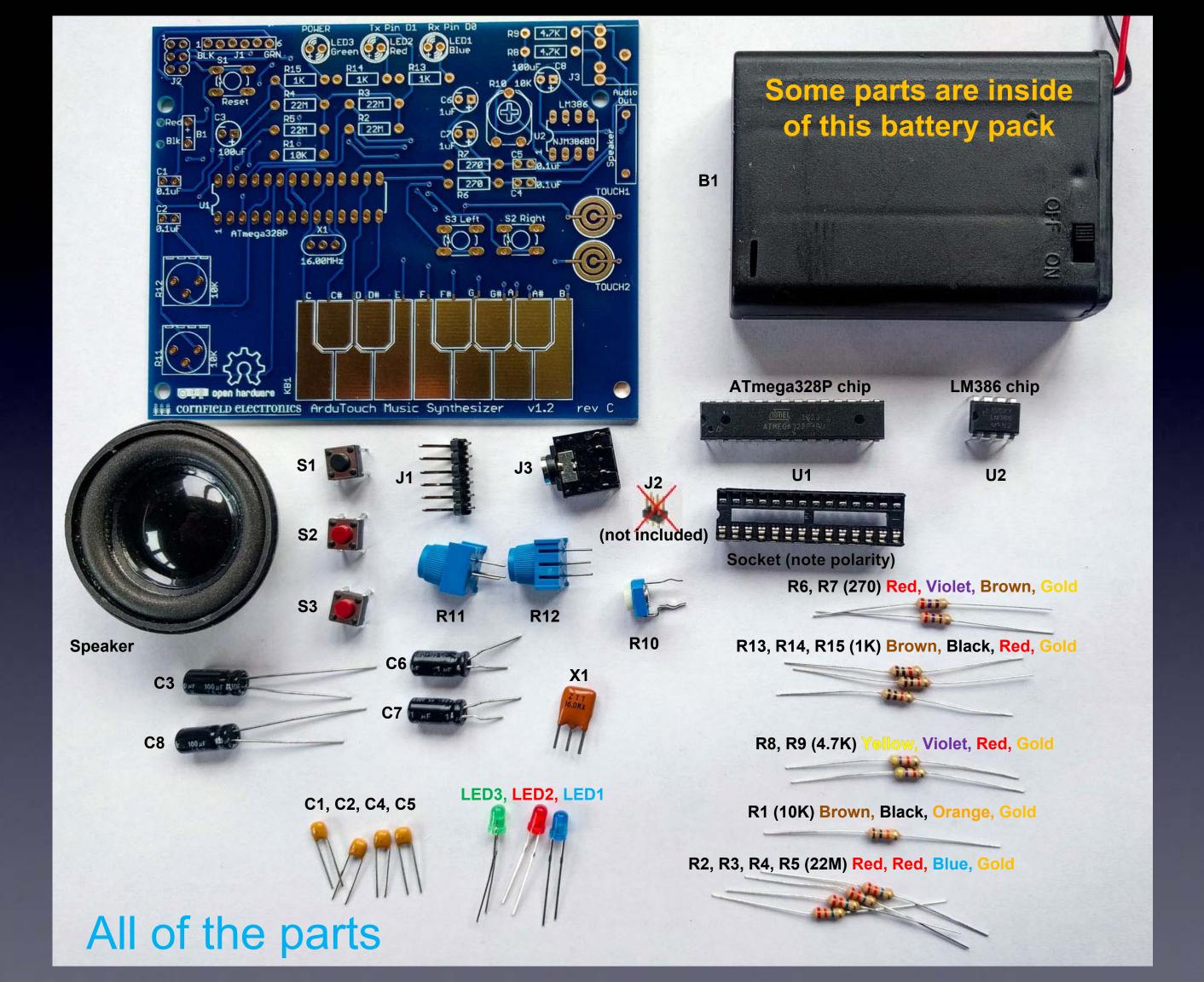


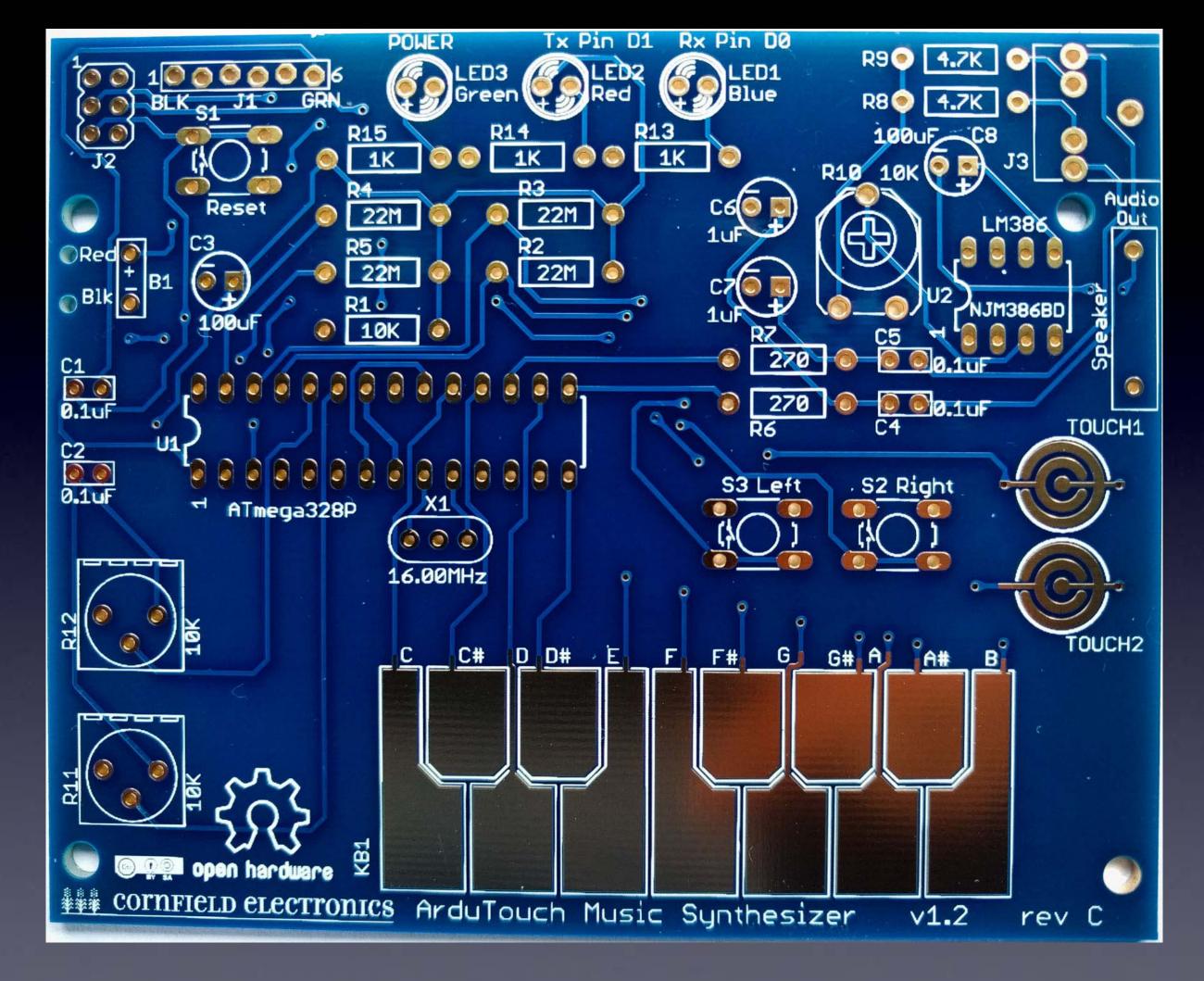
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The board we'll solder the parts to

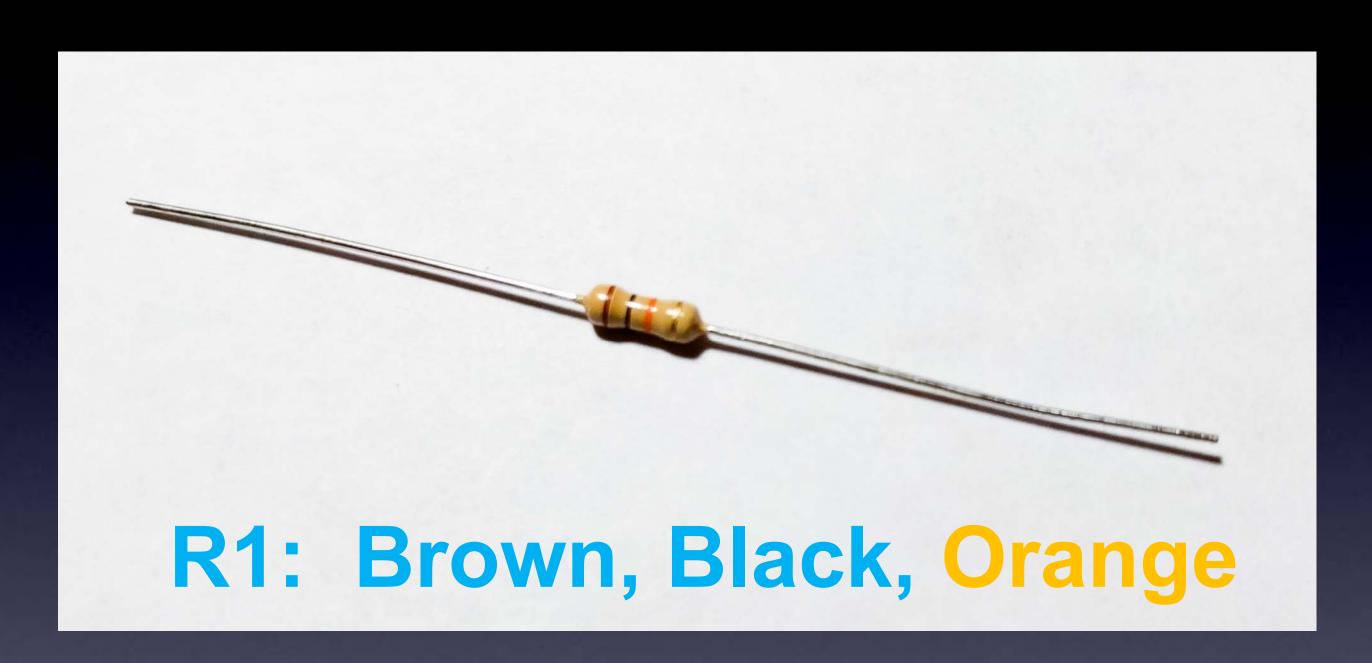


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The tools you'll need:

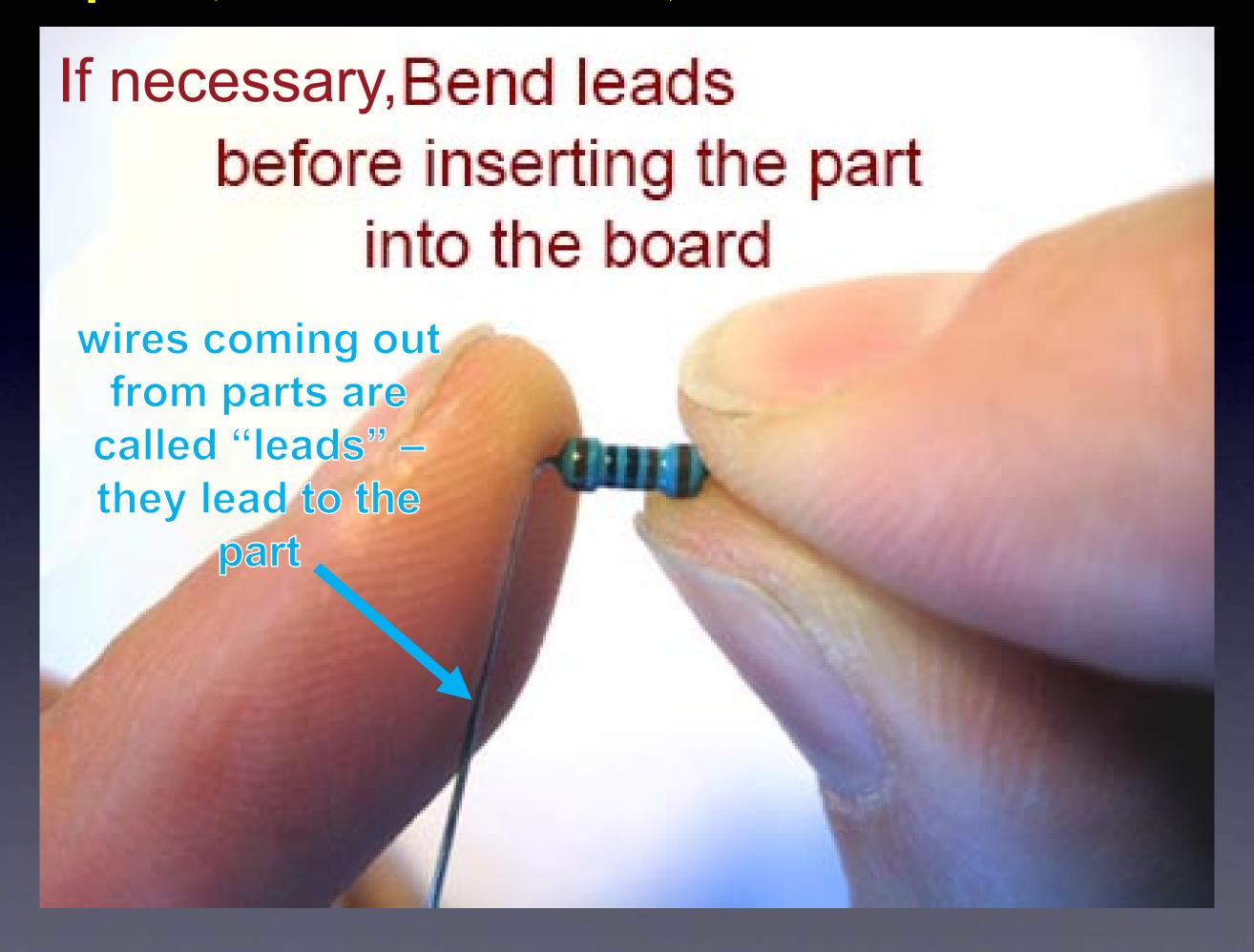
- soldering Iron (35W or less)
- solder (more details coming)
- soldering iron stand
- cellulose kitchen sponge (not plastic!)
- small wire cutter

Our first part



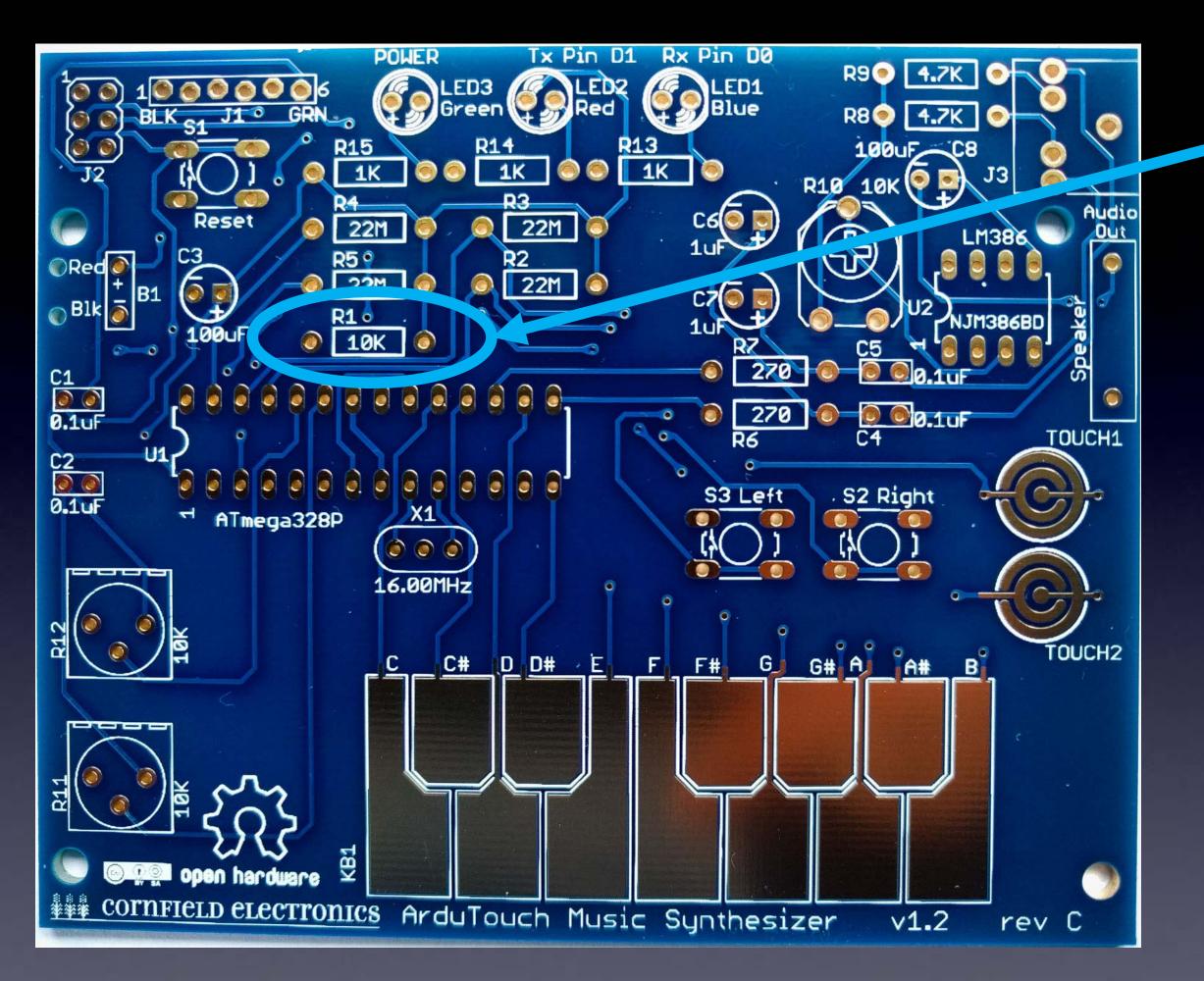
(not Brown, Black, Red)

Some parts, such as resistors, need their leads bent first



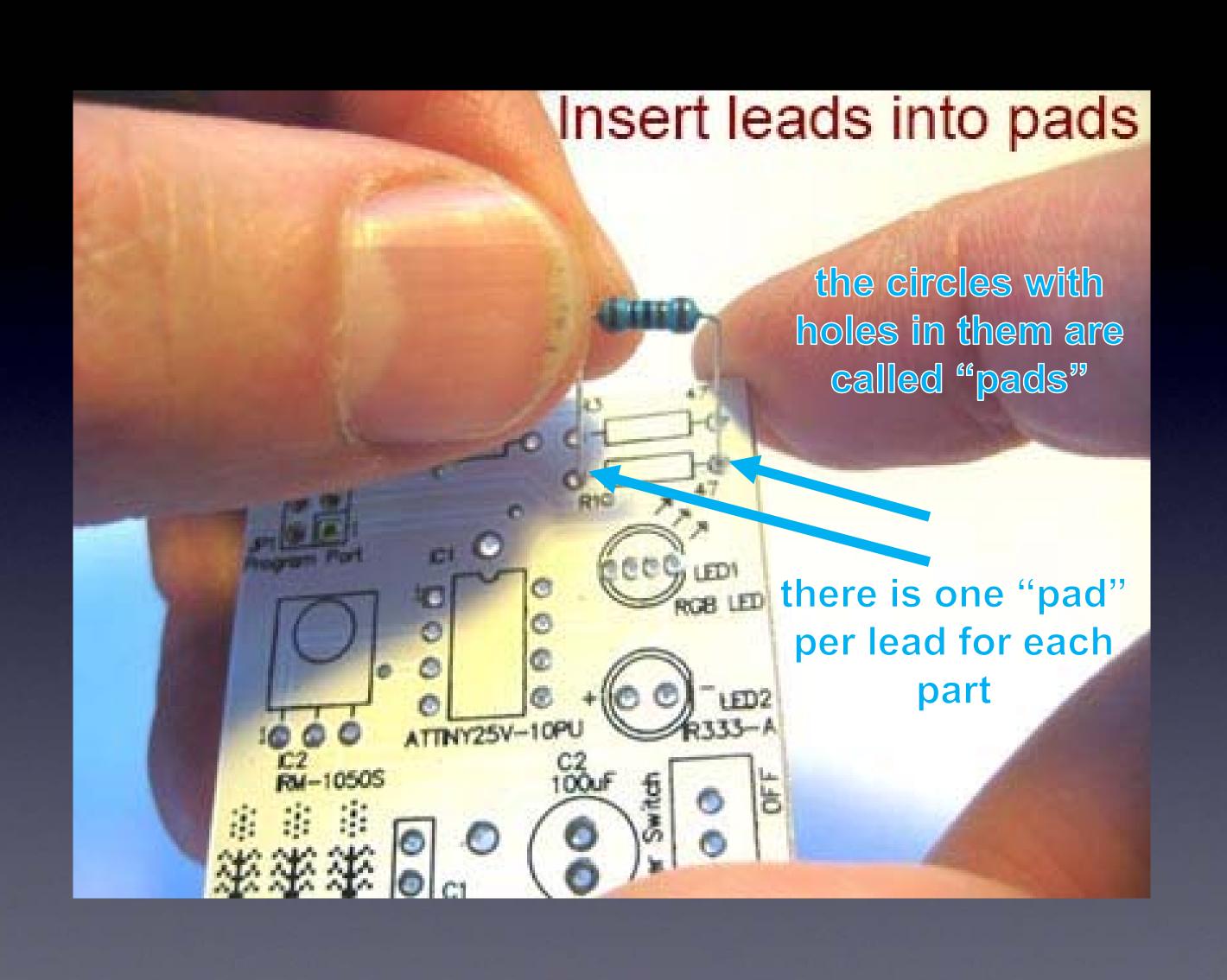


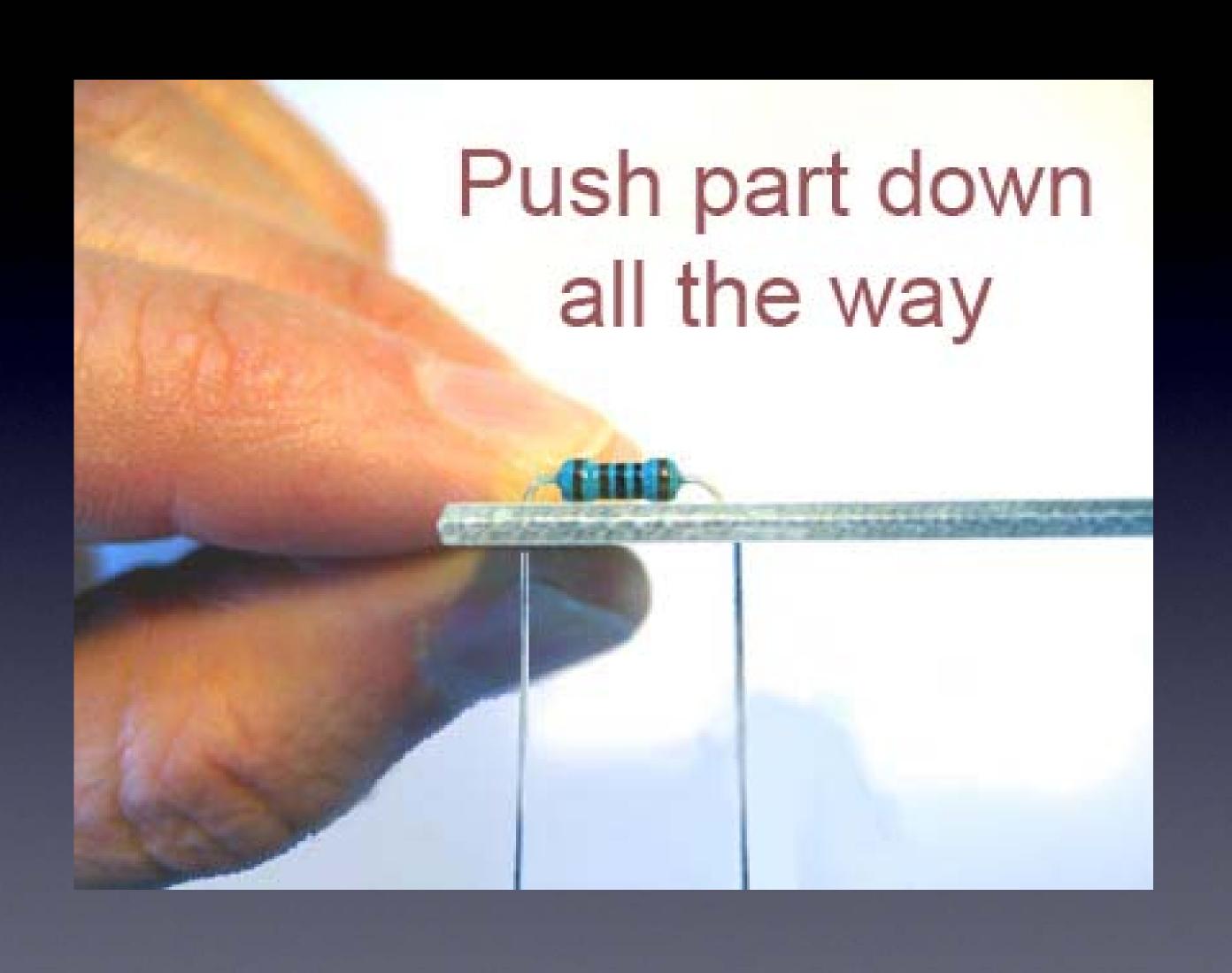
R1 – this is how it will look *before* inserting it into the board

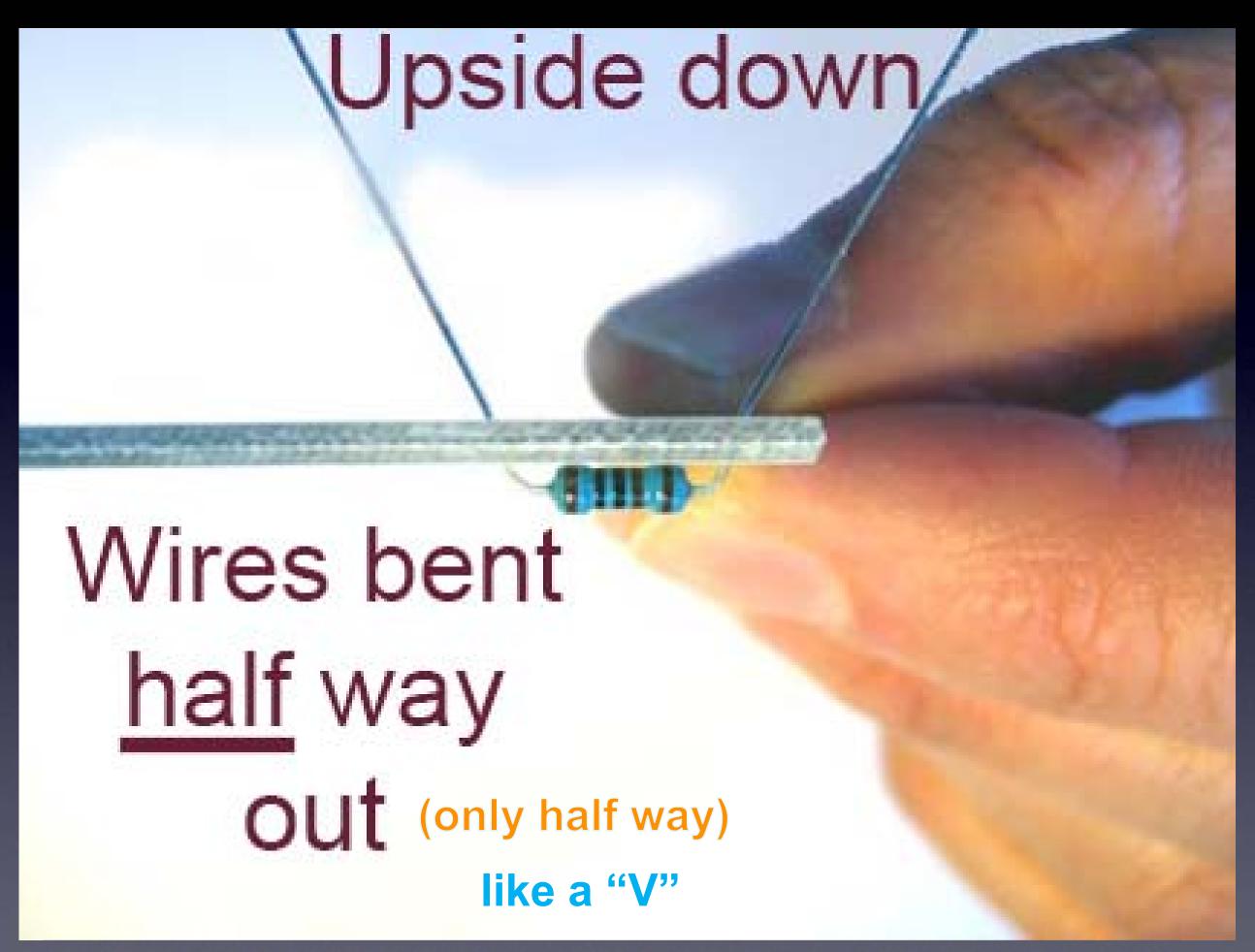


R1 – this is where it goes

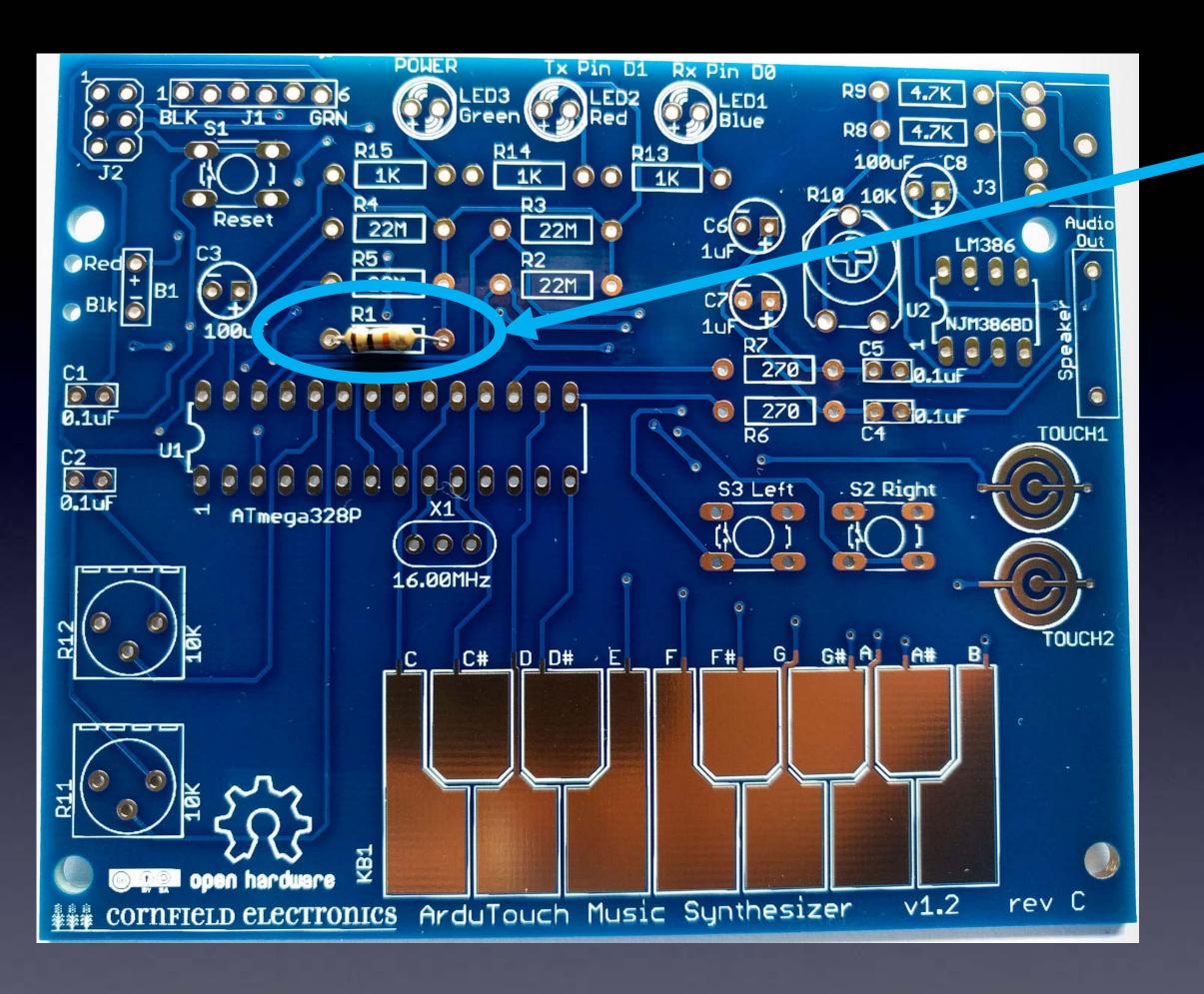
R1







so that the part won't fall out while soldering it



R1 – inserted into the board



How to hold a soldering iron

(Like a pencil – held from underneath)



The best kind of solder for DIY electronics:

(Sn - Tin / Pb - Lead)

(60/A0 is also 9000) 63/37 rosin core,

0.031" (0.8mm) diameter (or smaller)

Note:

Most

Lead-Free solder has poisonous fumes!

A good kind of solder for DIY electronics:

This is the only good searching)



Kester
K100LD Rosin
(not "No Clean")

0.031" diameter (0.8mm)

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Kester K100LD Rosin Solder

0.031" diameter (0.8mm)

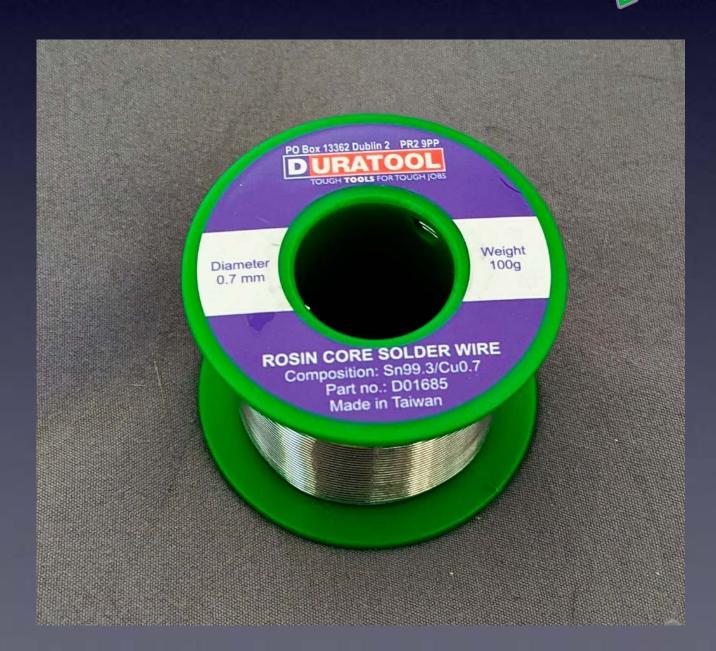
Note:



If you use Lead-Free solder
it is helpful
to also have
flux paste in a syringe
And Isopropyl Alcohol

Another good kind of solder for DIY electronics:

This is another good Lead-Free solder I have found!



Duratool D01685 Rosin

0.7mm diameter

(as good as the Kester K100LD Rosin)

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MG Chemicals 4900 Rosin (112g, 227g, 454g)

0.8mm diameter

(as good as the Kester K100LD Rosin)

3 Safety Tips...

Safety Tip #1:

Hot!!

(When you touch the tip, you will let go quickly every time!)

Safety Tip #2:

Soldering chemicals are toxic

But they easily wash off your hands with soap and water

Safety Tip #3:

(coming soon)

2 secrets to good soldering...

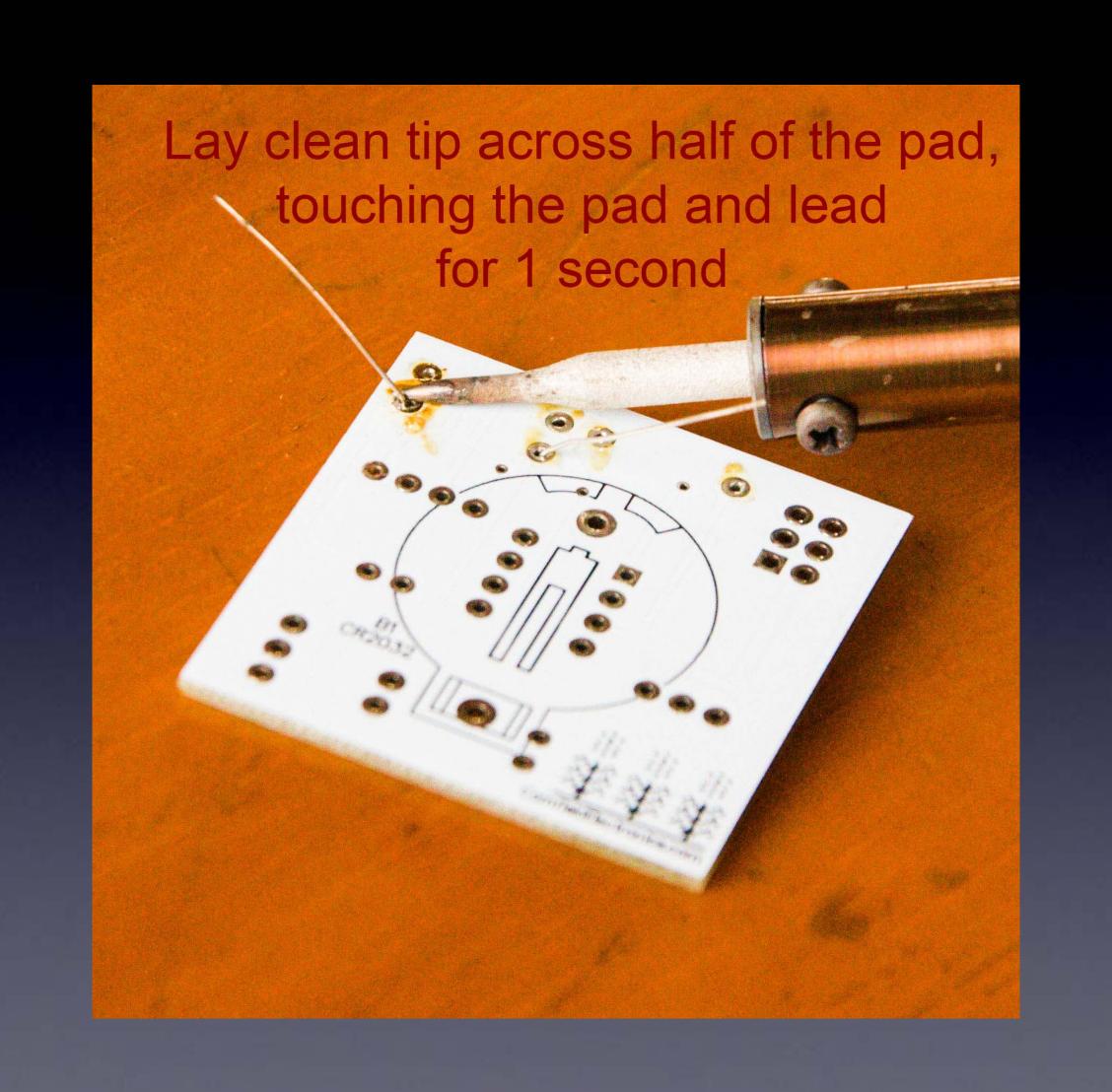
Secret #1:

Clean the tip!

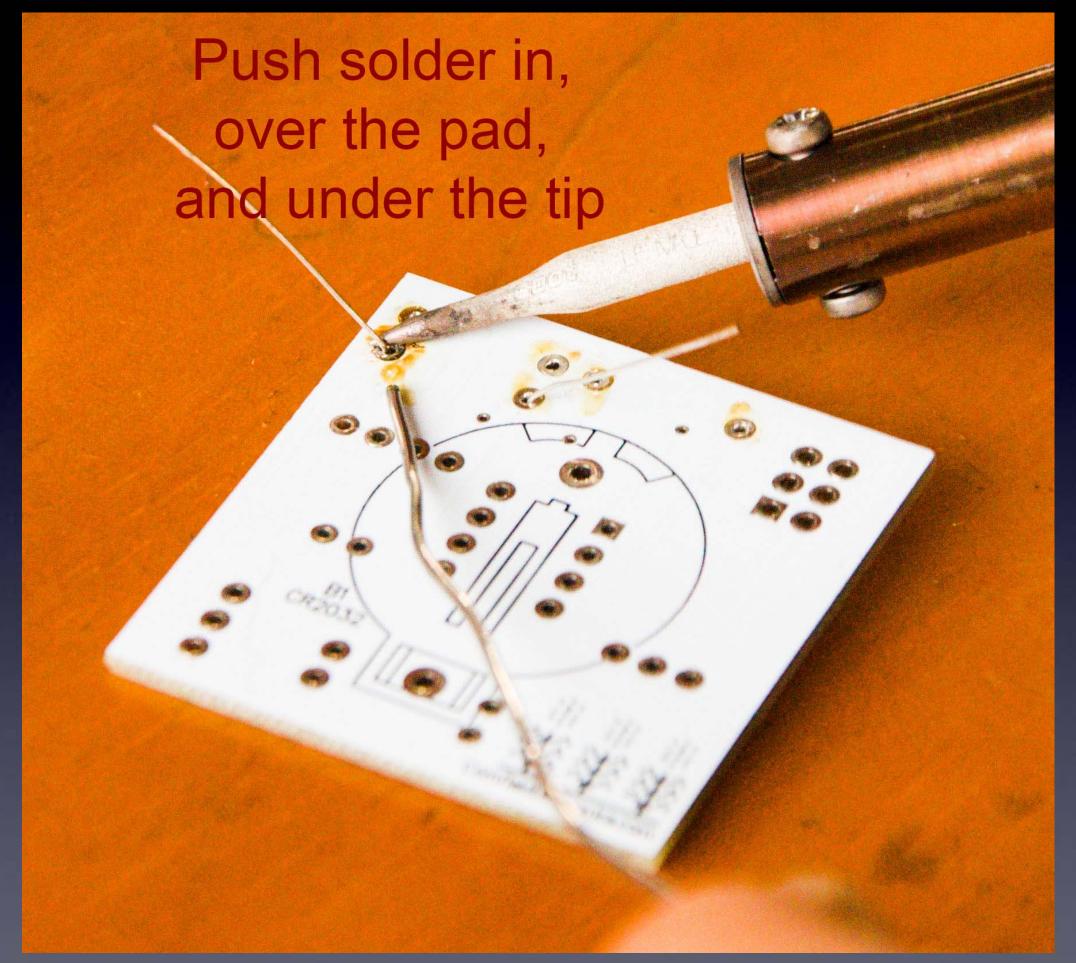
(before every solder connection)

Bang (lightly) 3 times, Swipe, Rotate, Swipe (on the sponge):

Keep the tip shiny silver!

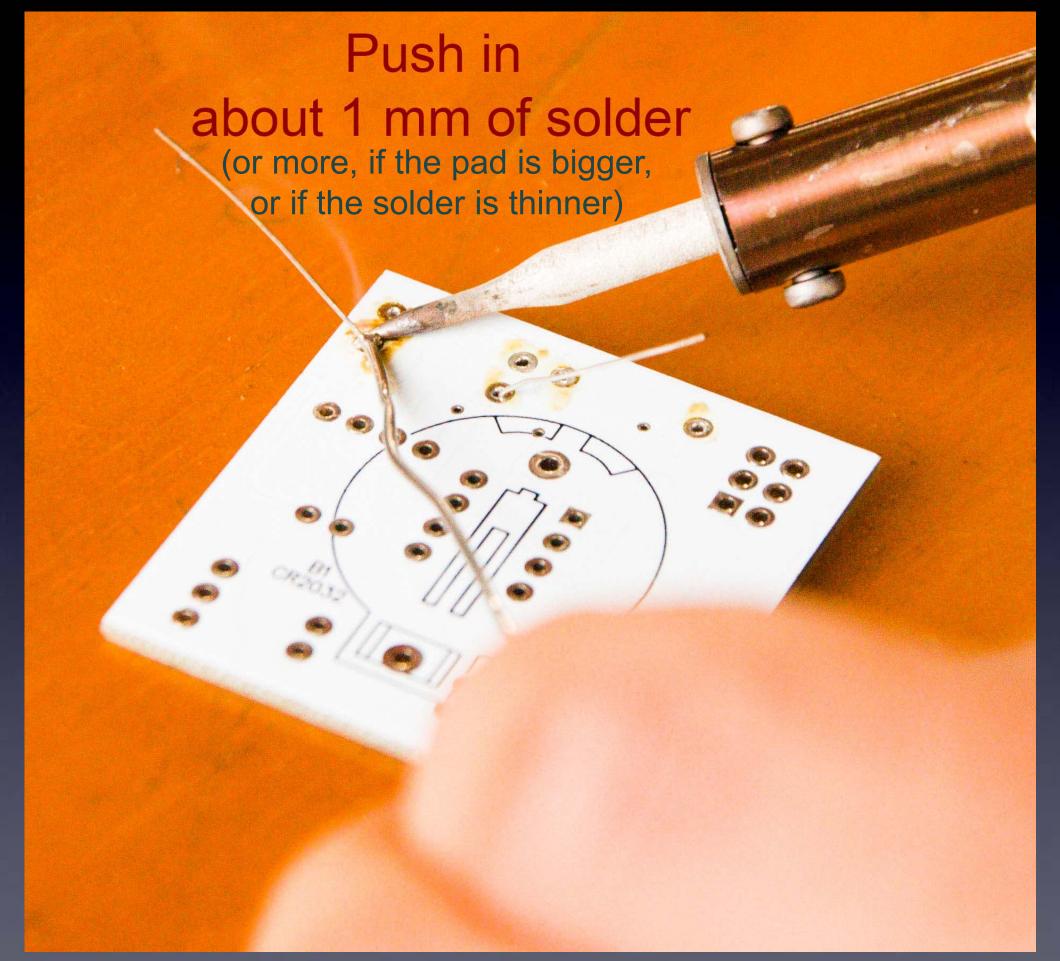


Do this quickly (slowly doesn't work well) – solder in & out in about 1 second

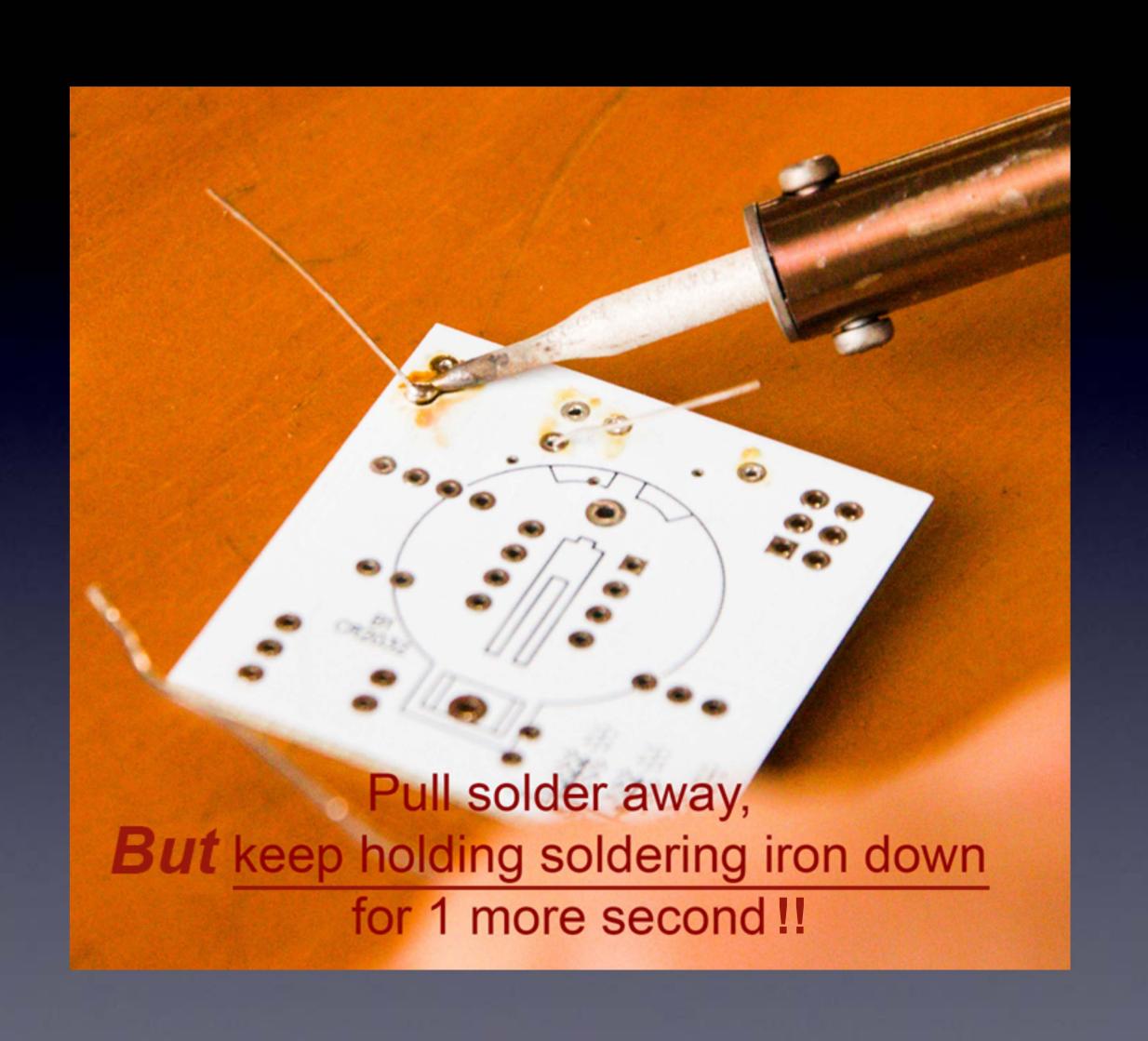


Make sure solder melts on the <u>underside</u> of the soldering iron tip (not the side or top of the soldering iron tip)!

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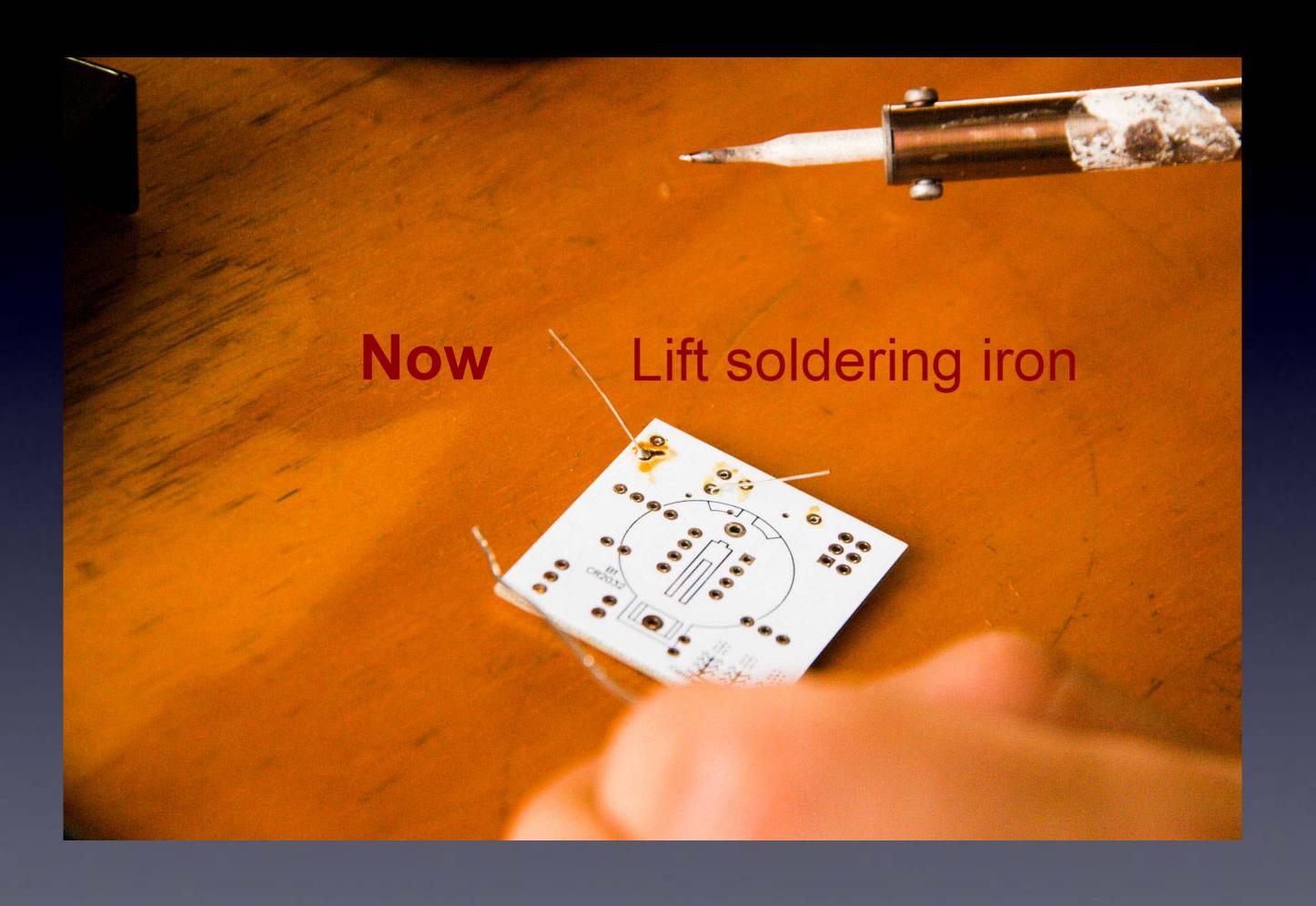


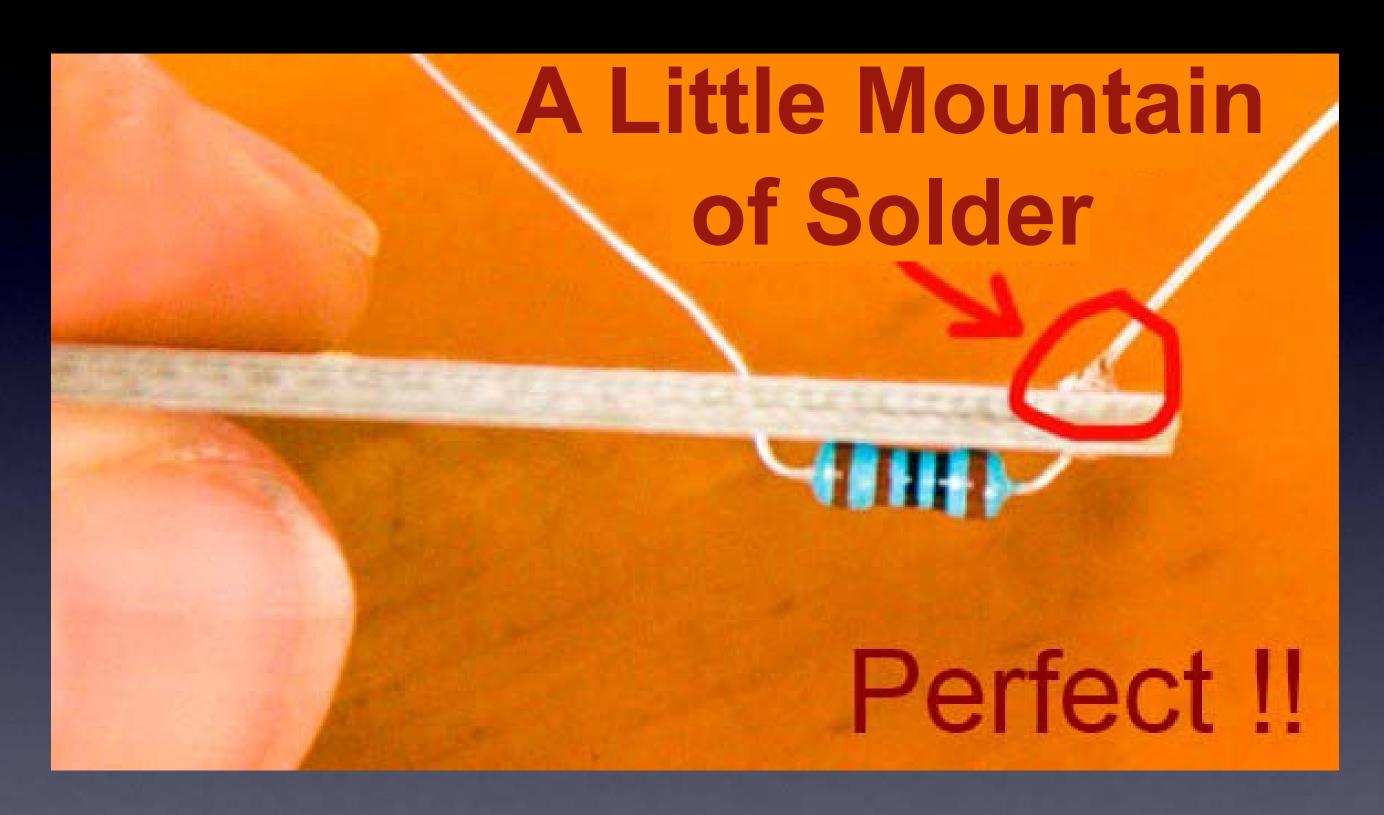
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Secret #2:

Keep hot tip down
1 second
for solder to flow!!

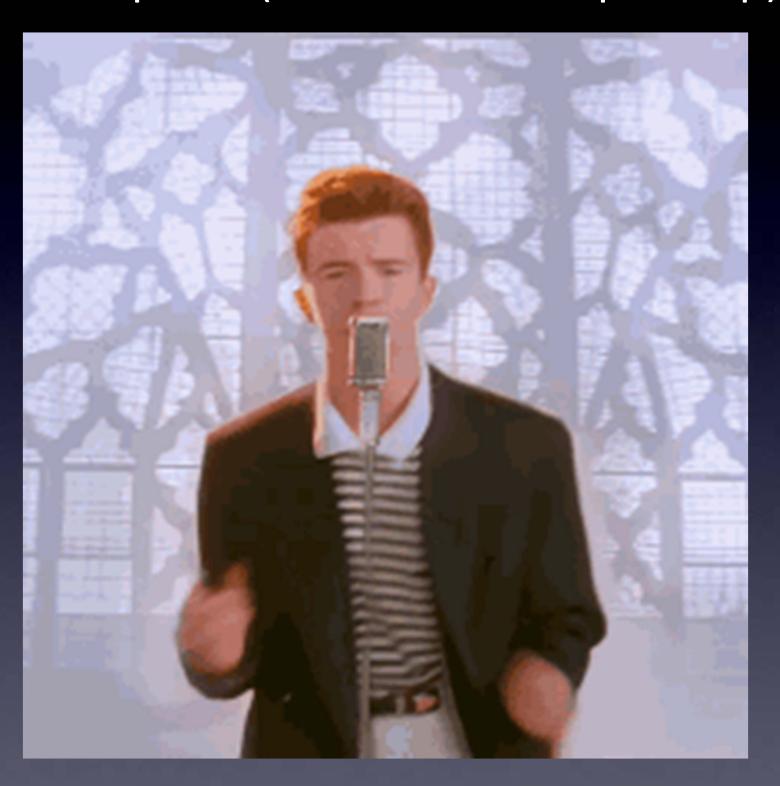




If you can see any of the pad, or the hole, you need more solder – so, just do all the steps again to make it perfect.

is just as important as the preceding steps!

The Rhythm! and speed (about 1 second per step)



and speed (about 1 second per step)

Clean the tip



and speed (about 1 second per step)



Tip Down

and speed (about 1 second per step)



Solder In

The Rhythm! and speed (about 1 second per step)



Solder Out

and speed (about 1 second per step)



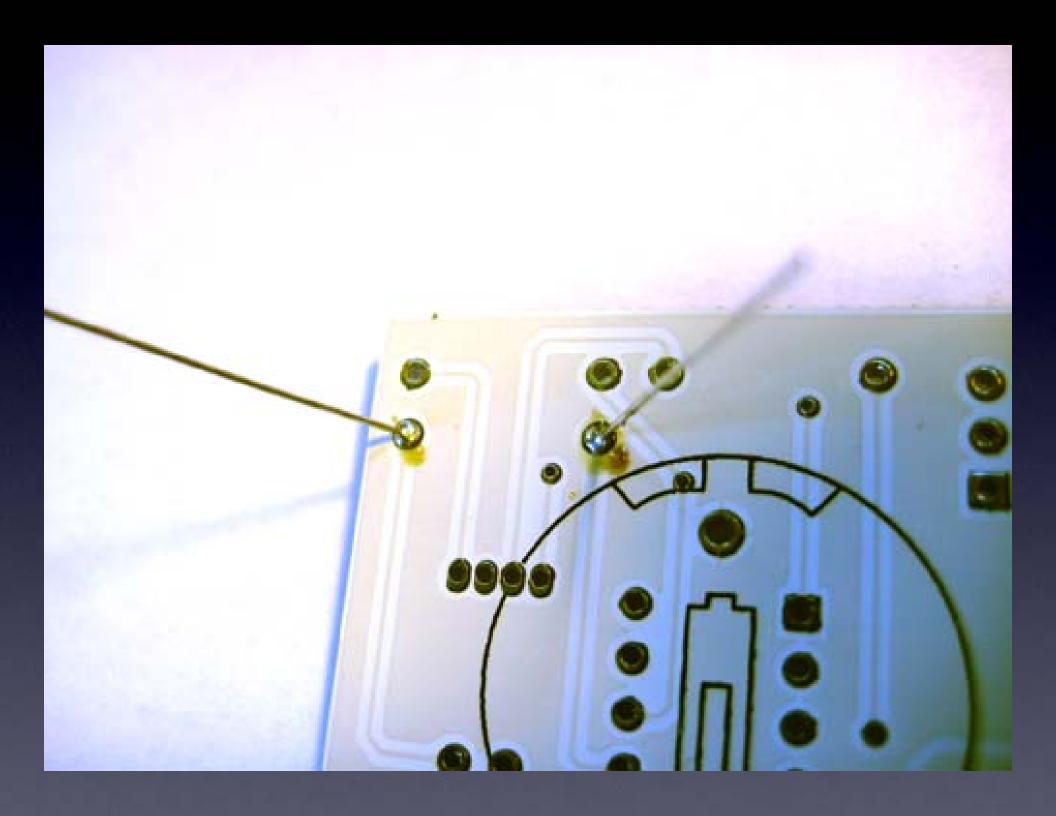


The Rhythm! and speed (about 1 second per step)



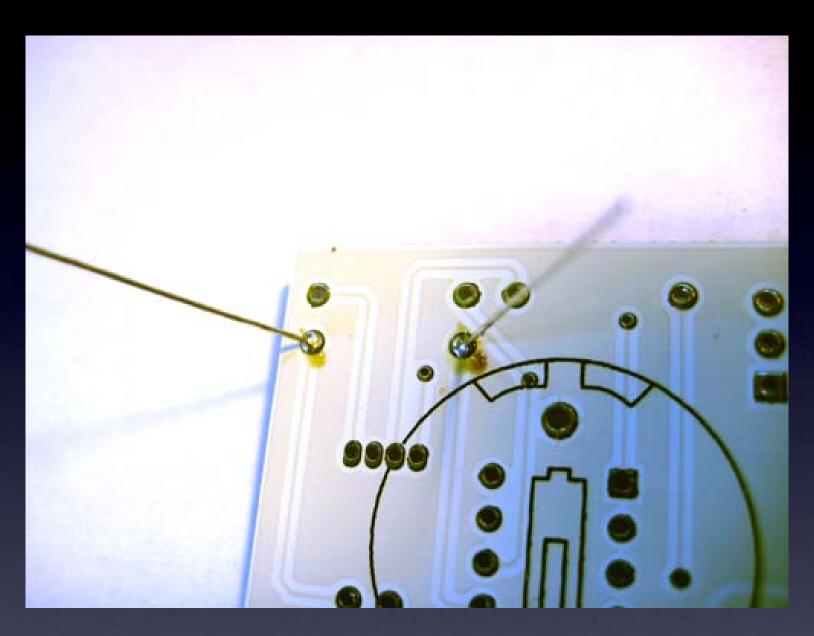


If you are using solder WITH lead (Pb), you can now Solder all of the leads of the part to the board



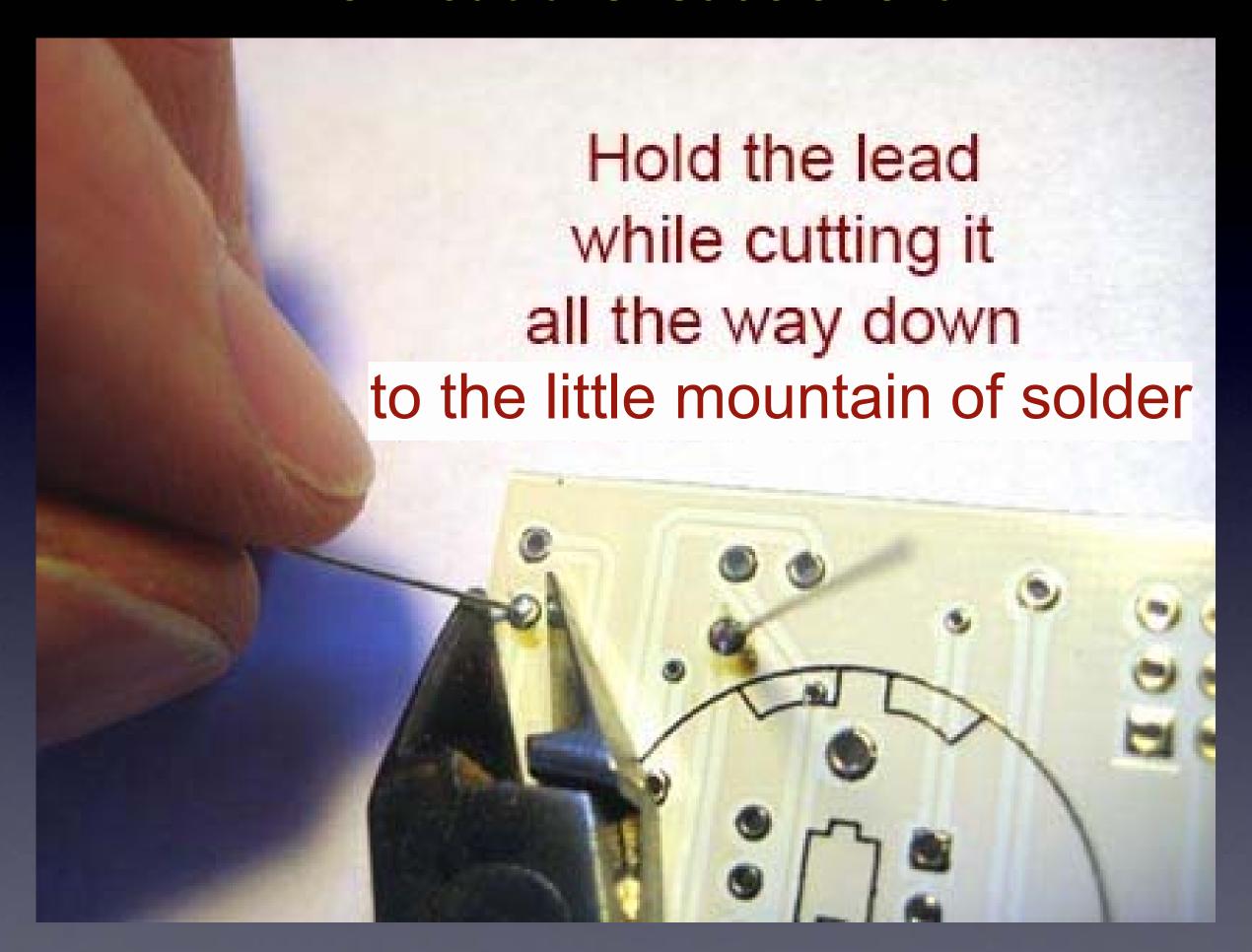
For this part, there are two leads
Here you can see two good solder connections

Two good solder connections



- Little mountains (not flat)
- Pads totally covered in solder
- Can't see the hole
- No connections to other pads

Now cut the leads short



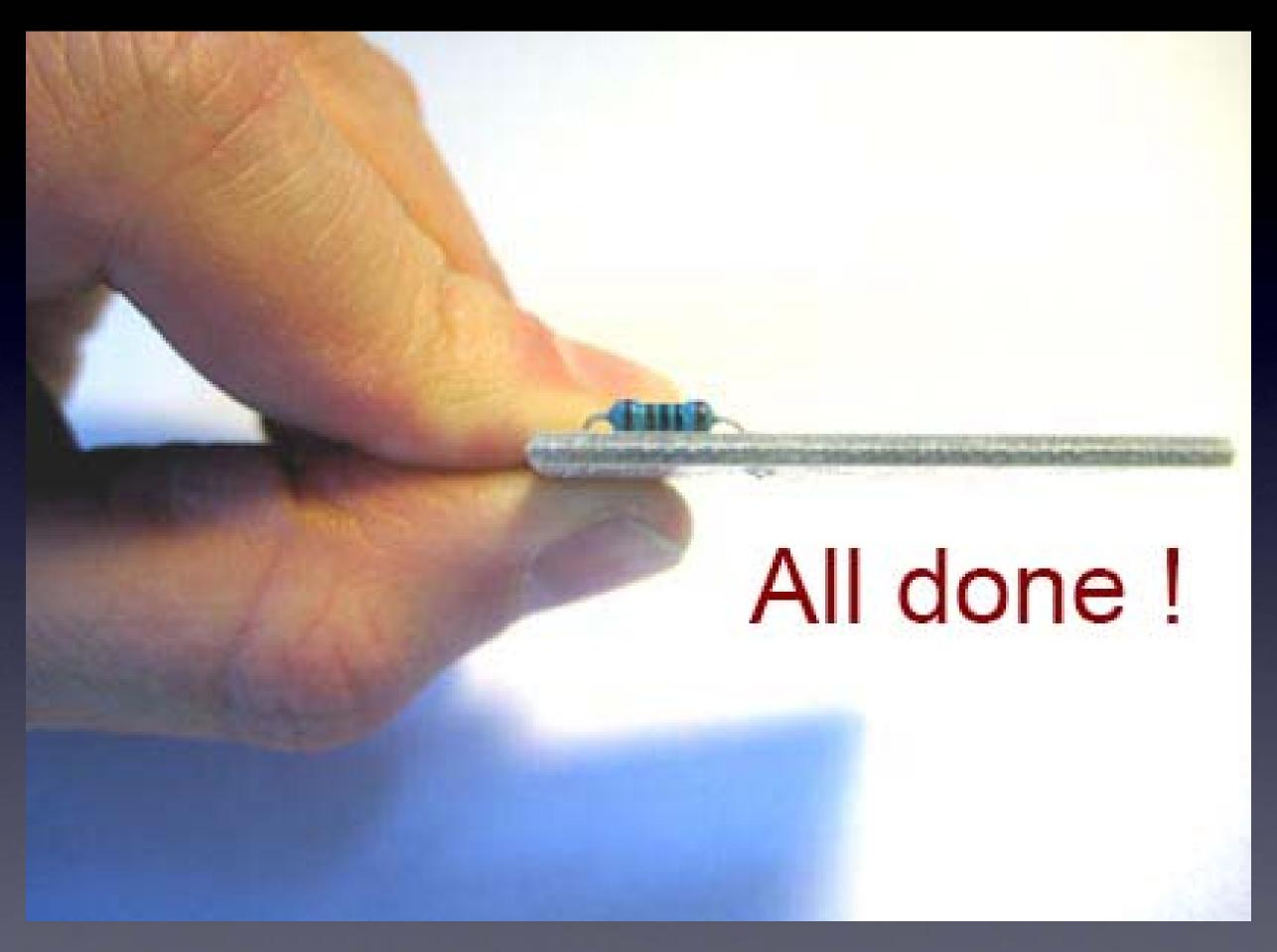
Cutting with the tip of the wire cutter gives you more control

Safety Tip #3:

Hold or cover the lead!

(or it will fly into your eye!)

(They like doing that – so please hold or cover the lead when you cut.)



No wires sticking out



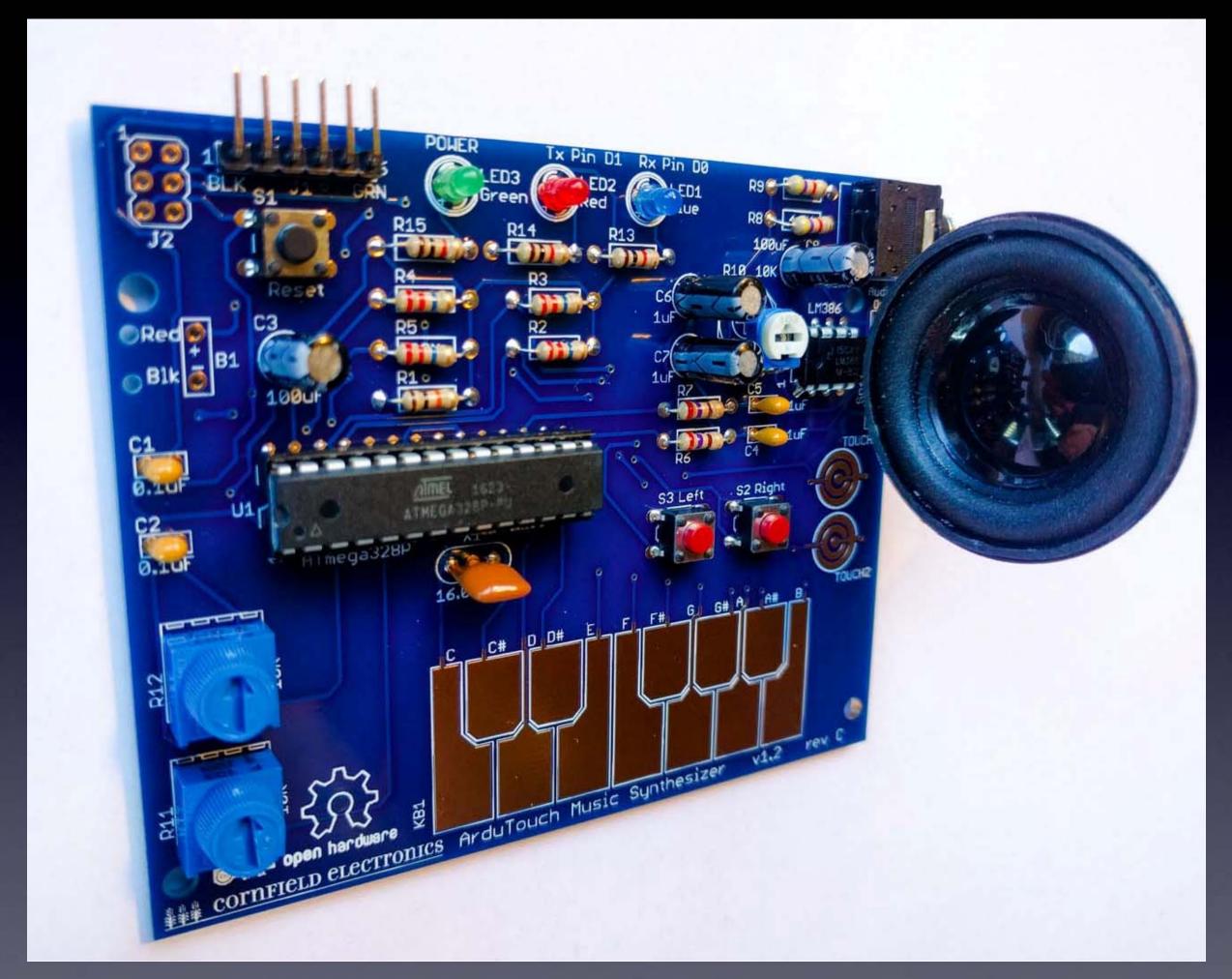
R1 soldered to the board

Notice that:

- Each connection
 is a small mountain
 (not flat)
- You cannot see any pad
 (they're totally covered
 with solder)
- You cannot see the holes
 (they're totally covered
 with solder)
- No connections to other pads

One part at a time

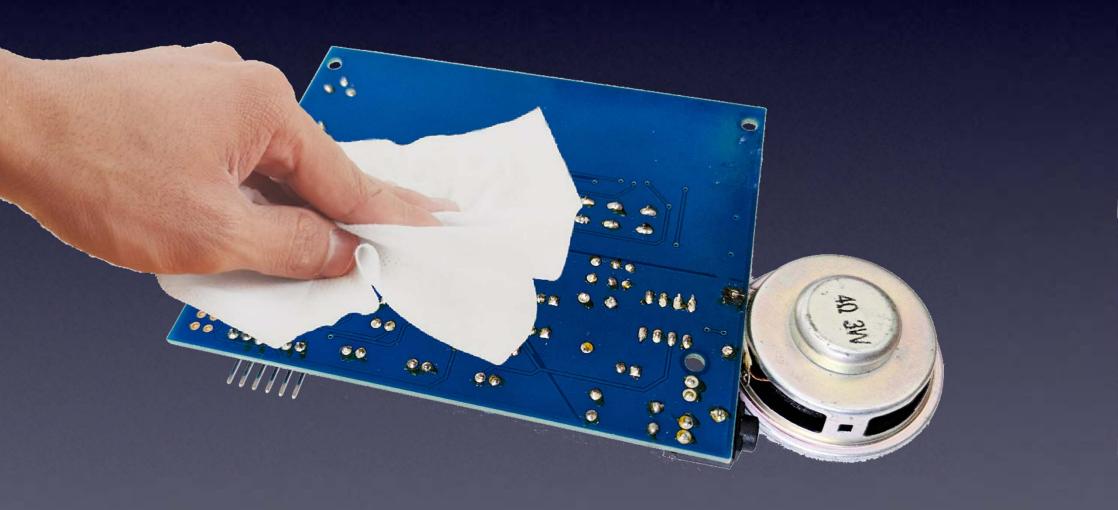
Till all the parts are soldered



And it will look like this when you're done.

If you used any flux paste for re-working problems







You can clean it with a cloth wet with Isopropyl Alcohol

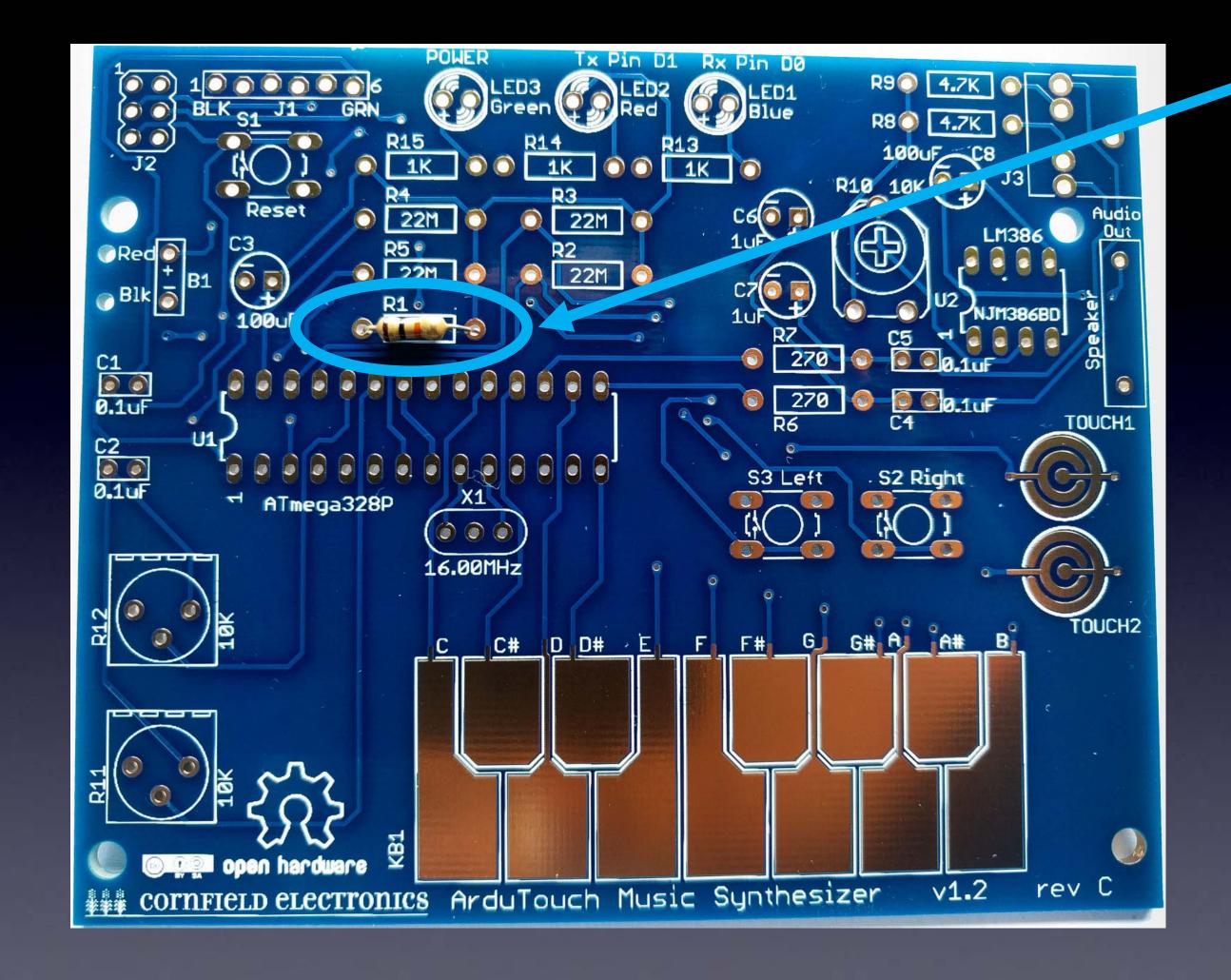
Then put in the batteries,

Turn it on,

And it works!

(Or you start debugging.)

Let's start!



If you haven't done so already, solder R1: brown, black, orange

R1:

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10K: Brown, Black, Orange

R2, R3, R4, R5:

22M: Red, Red, Blue

R6, R7:

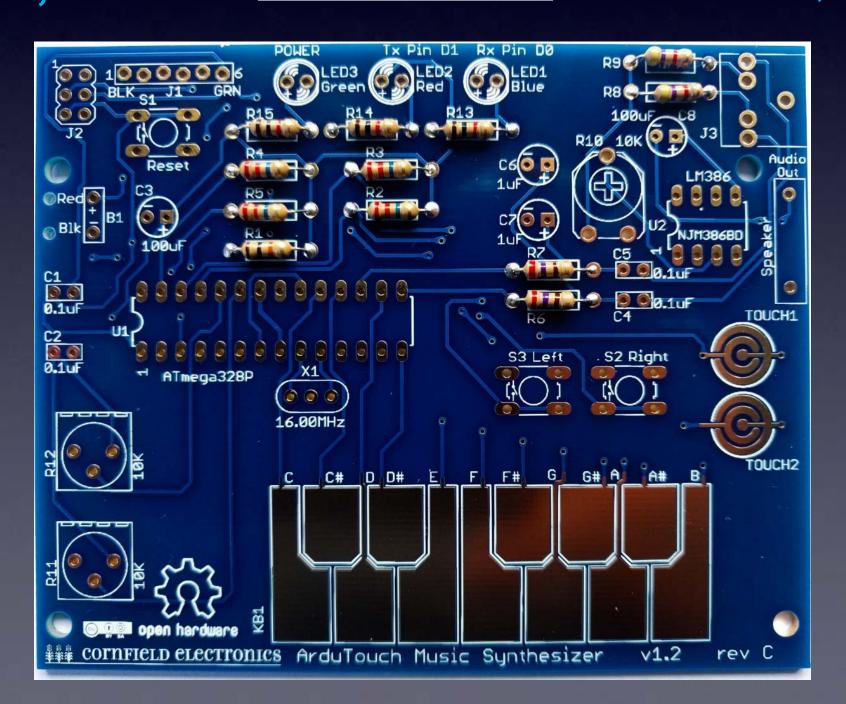
270: Red, Violet, Brown

R8, R9:

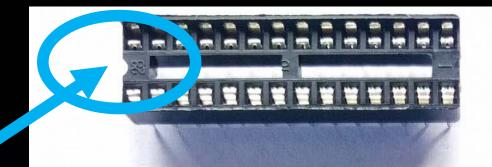
4.7K: Yellow, Violet, Red

R13, R14, R15:

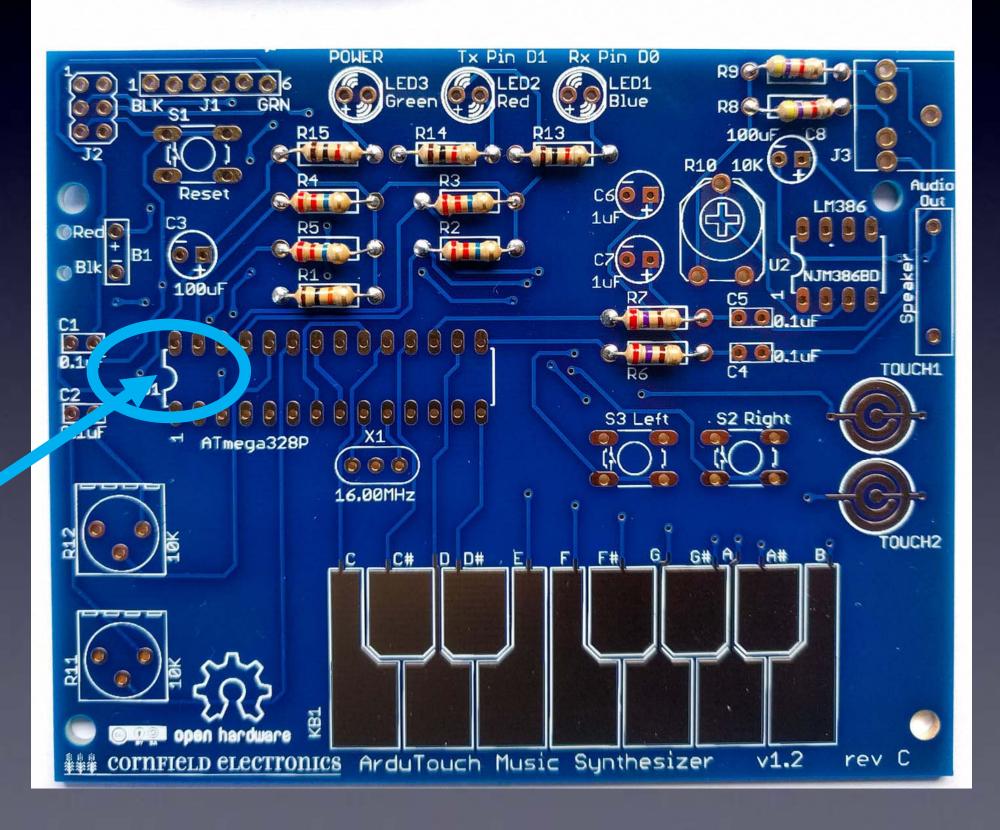
1K: Brown, Black, Red



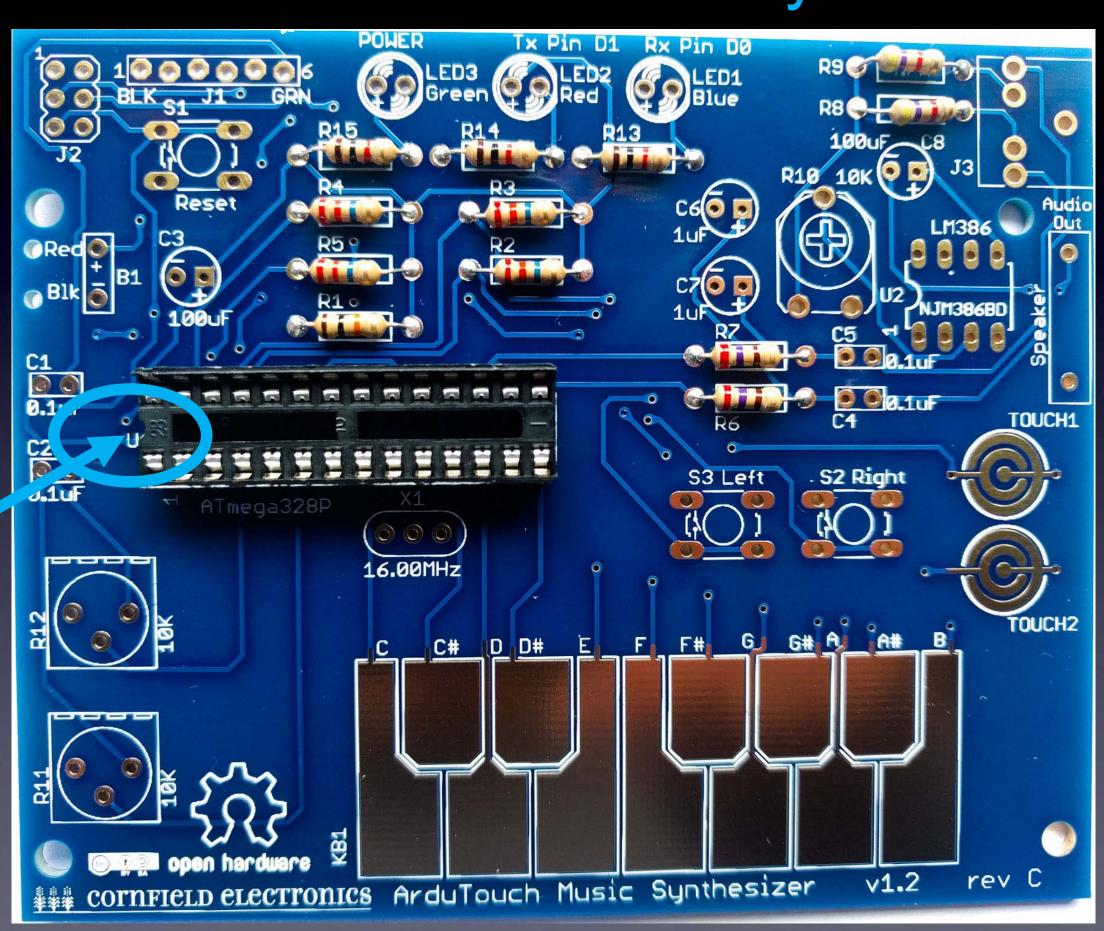
U1: microcontroller socket



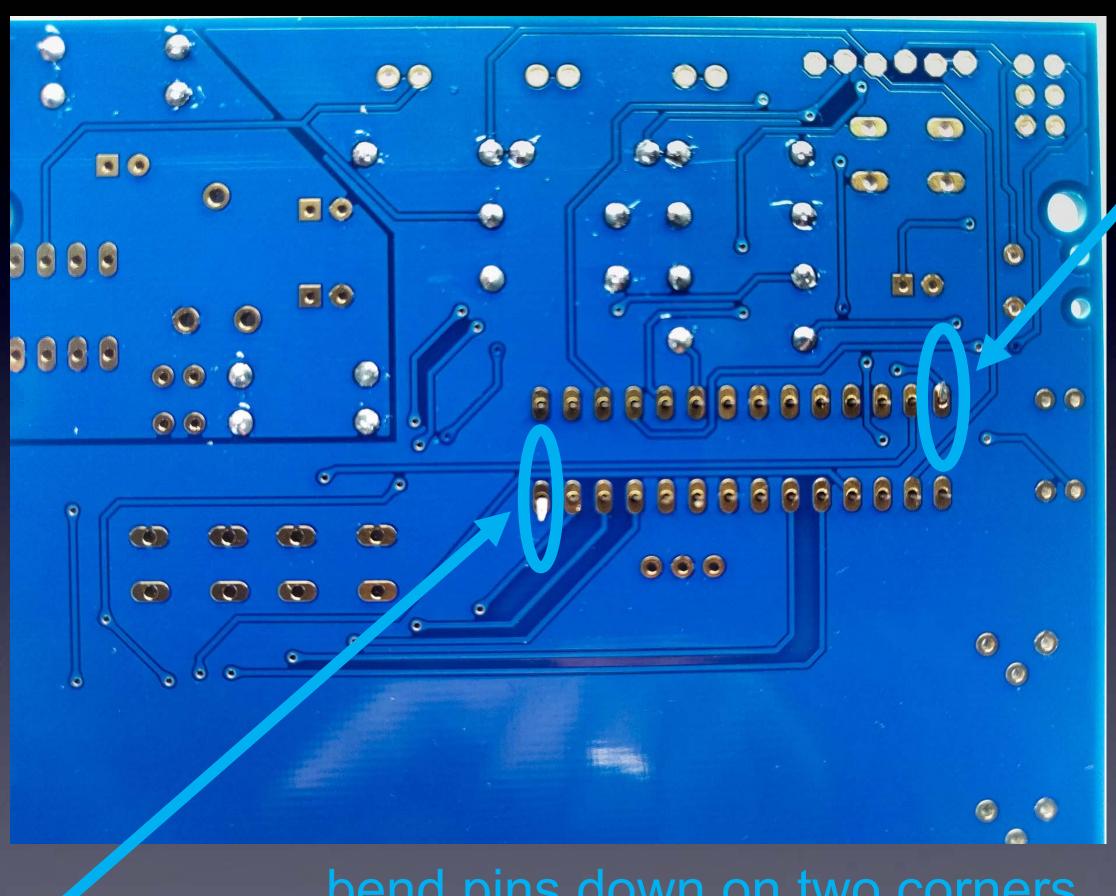
proper orientation



U1: microcontroller socket: inserted correctly

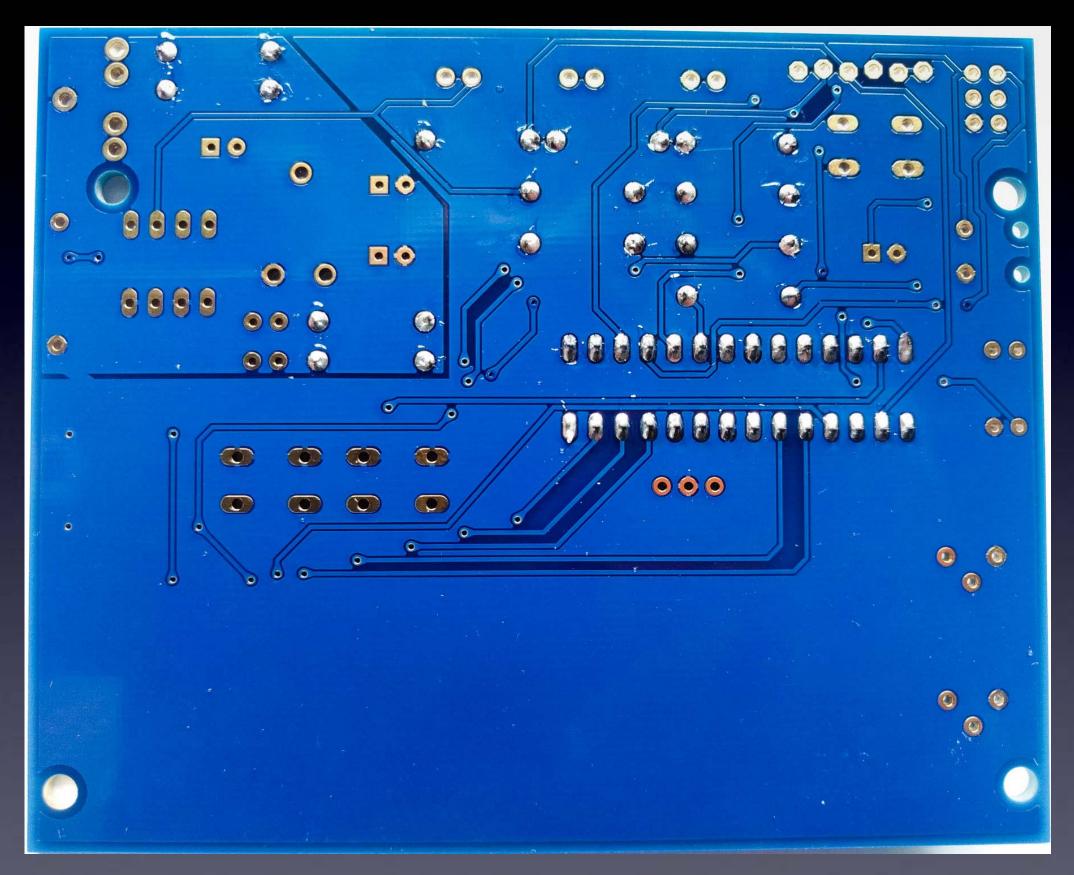


U1: microcontroller socket



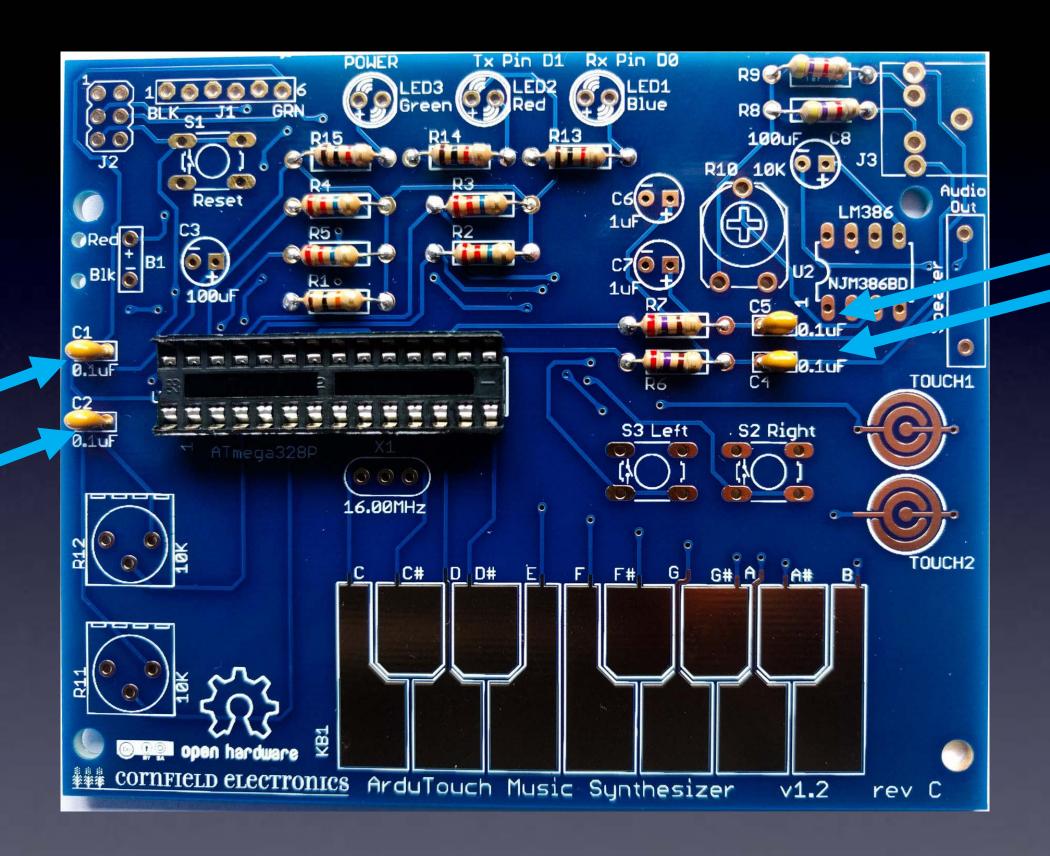
bend pins down on two corners, and solder all 28 leads to the board

U1: microcontroller socket

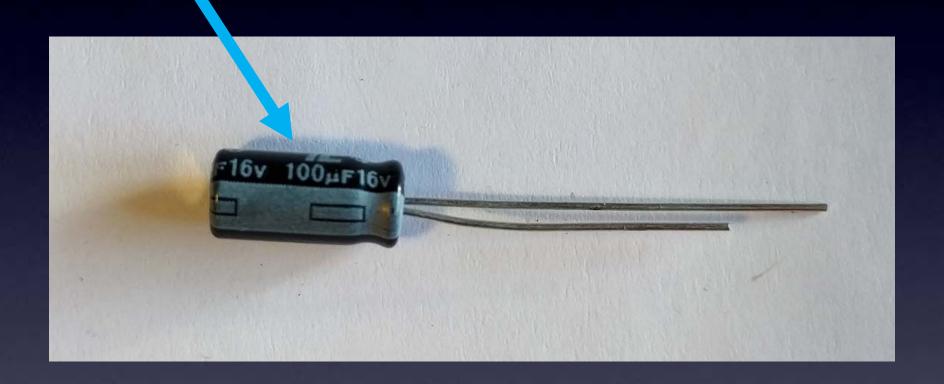


All 28 leads soldered to the board:

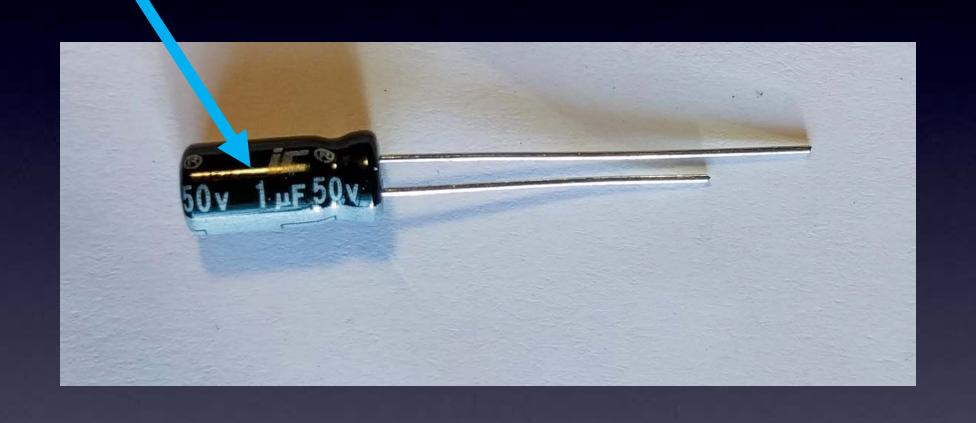
→ Notice that each pad is totally covered with solder. ←



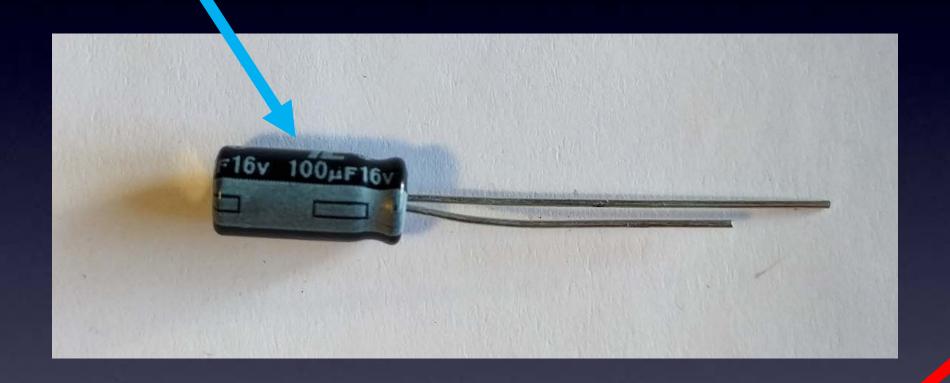
C1, C2, C4, C5



C3, C8: 100uF

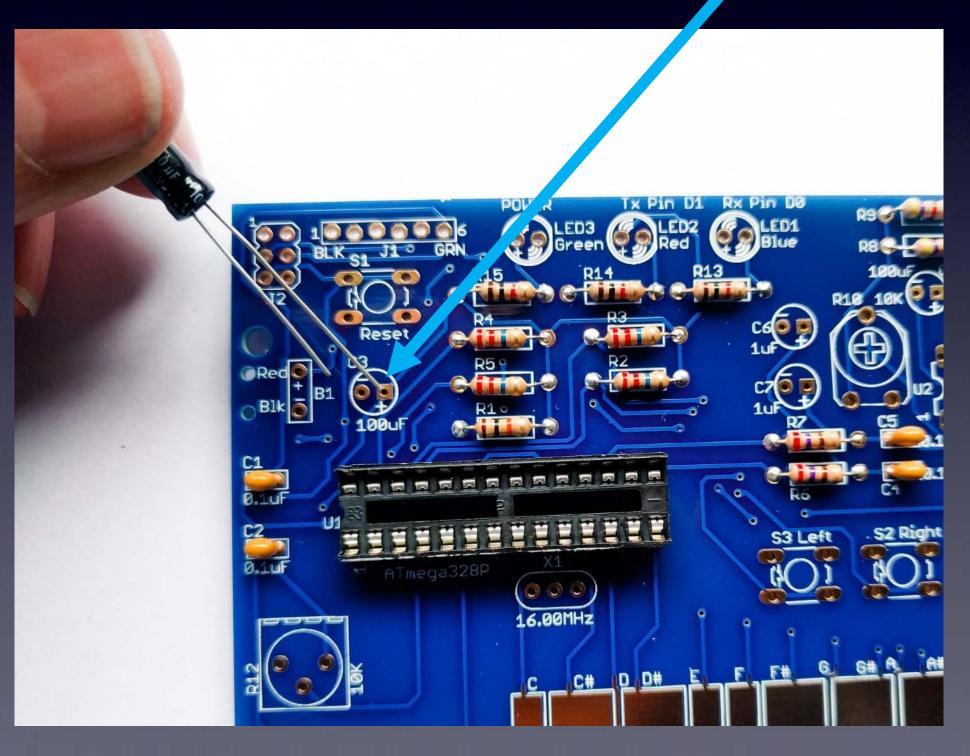


Different than C3, C8!
C6, C7: 1uF

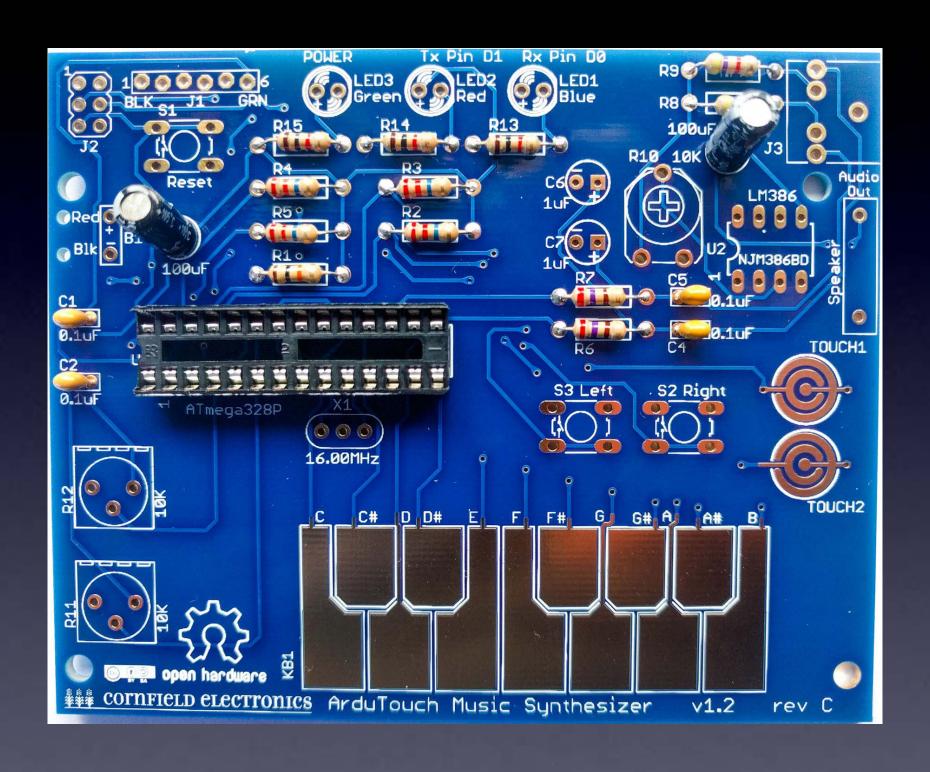


C3, C8: 100uF

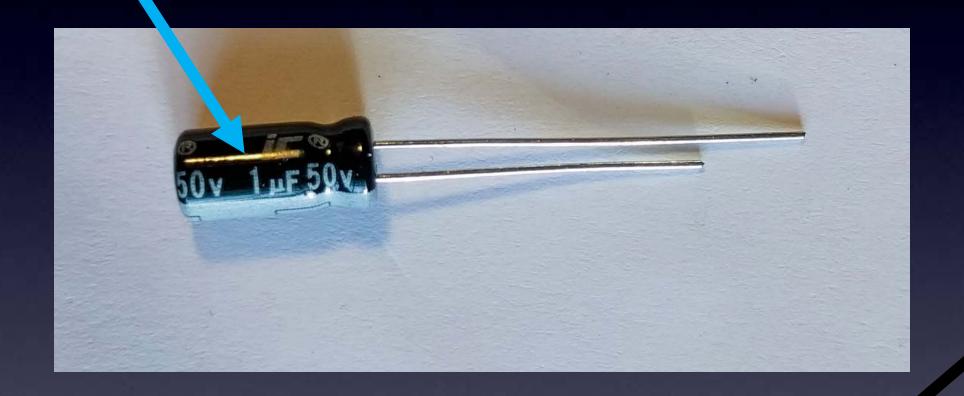
C3, C8: Long Lead "+"



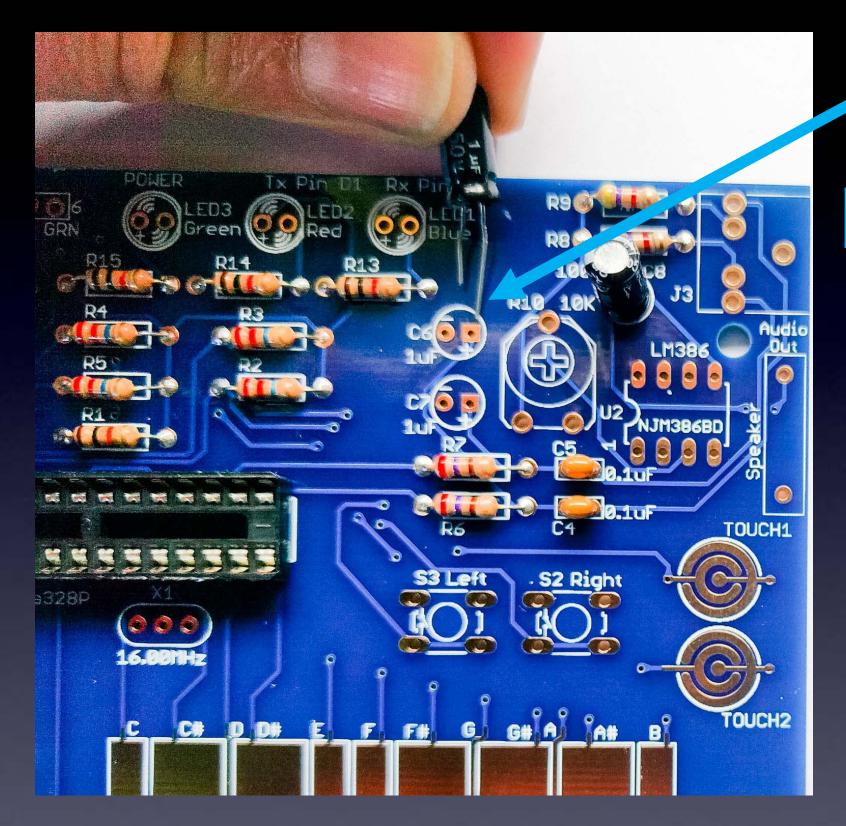
Use 100 UF !!



C3, C8: 100uF - soldered to board

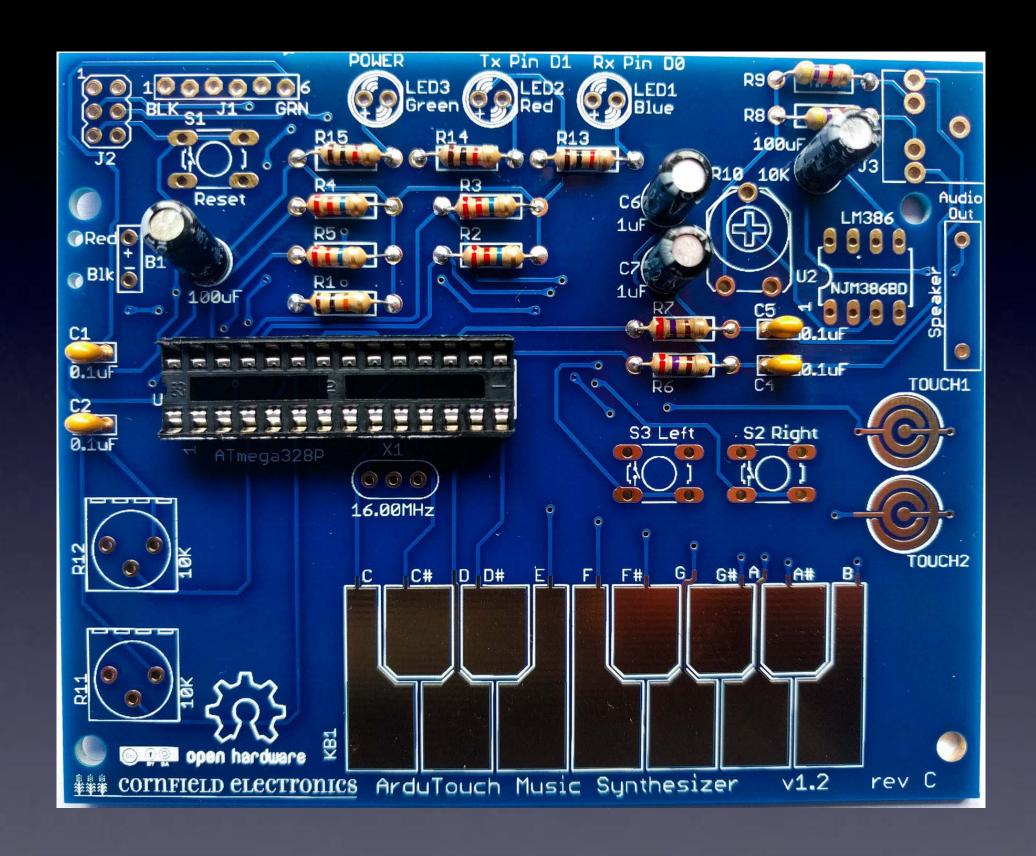


C6, C7: 1uF



C6, C7: Long Lead "+"

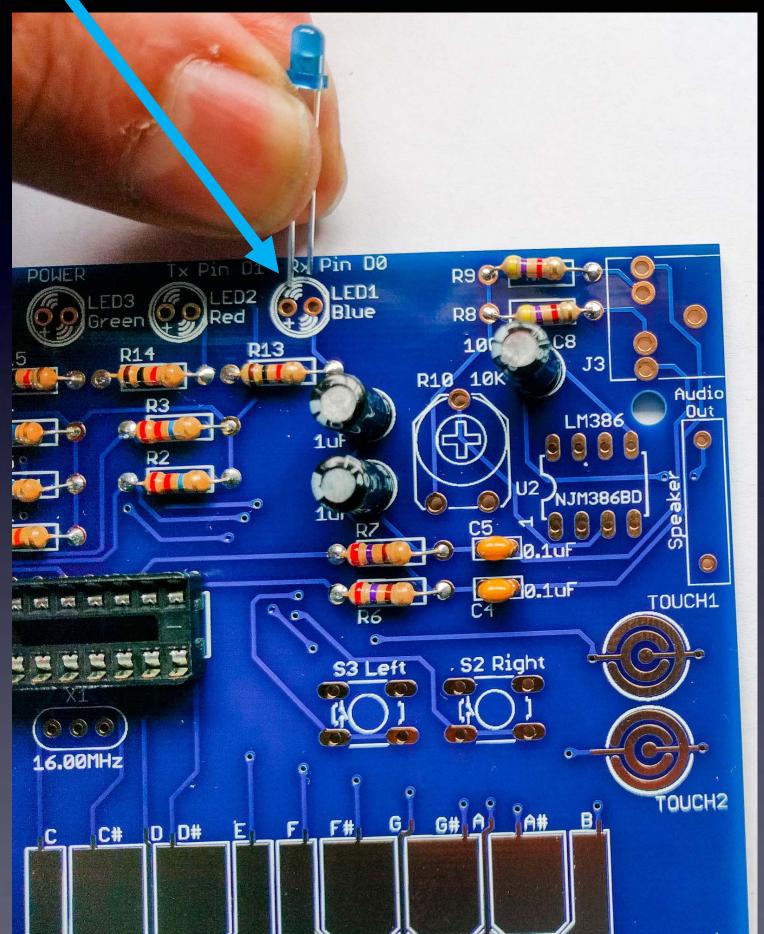
Use TUF!



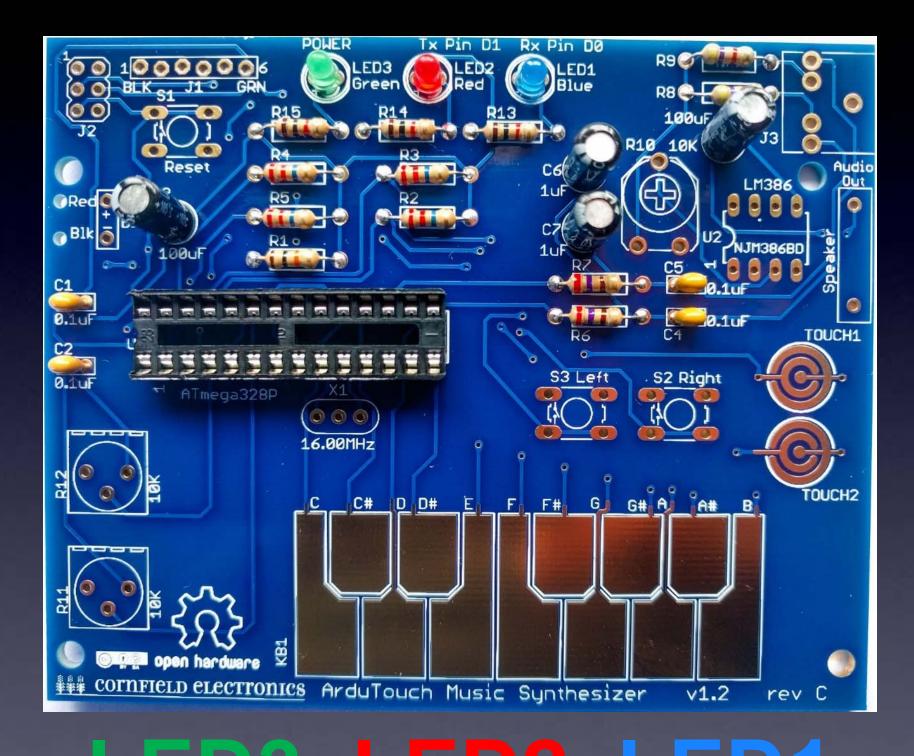
C6, C7: 1uF – soldered to board

LED1, LED2, LED3:

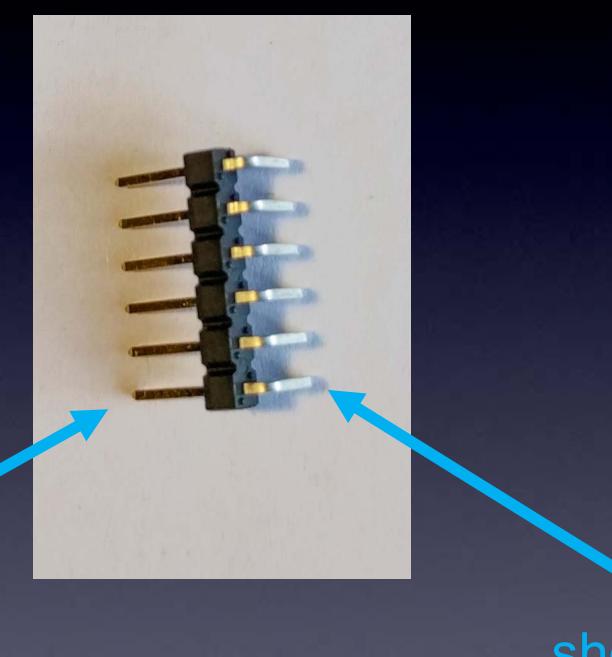
Long Lead "+"







Green, Red, Blue – soldered to board



long leads

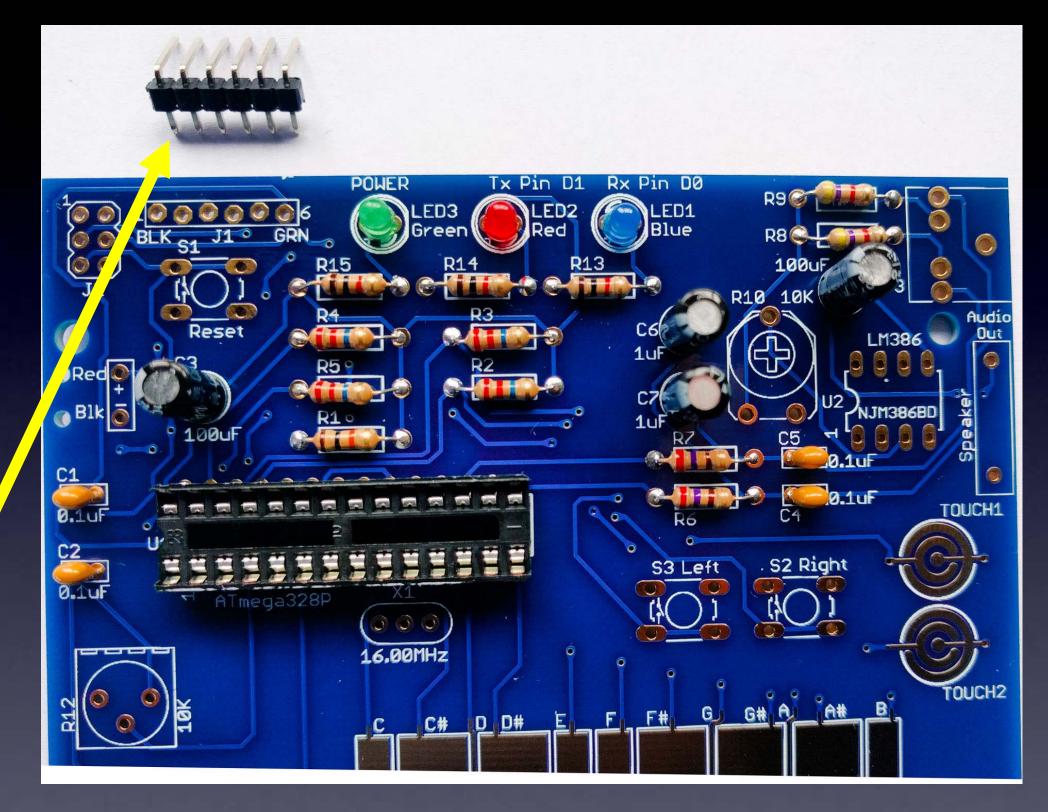
short leads

J1

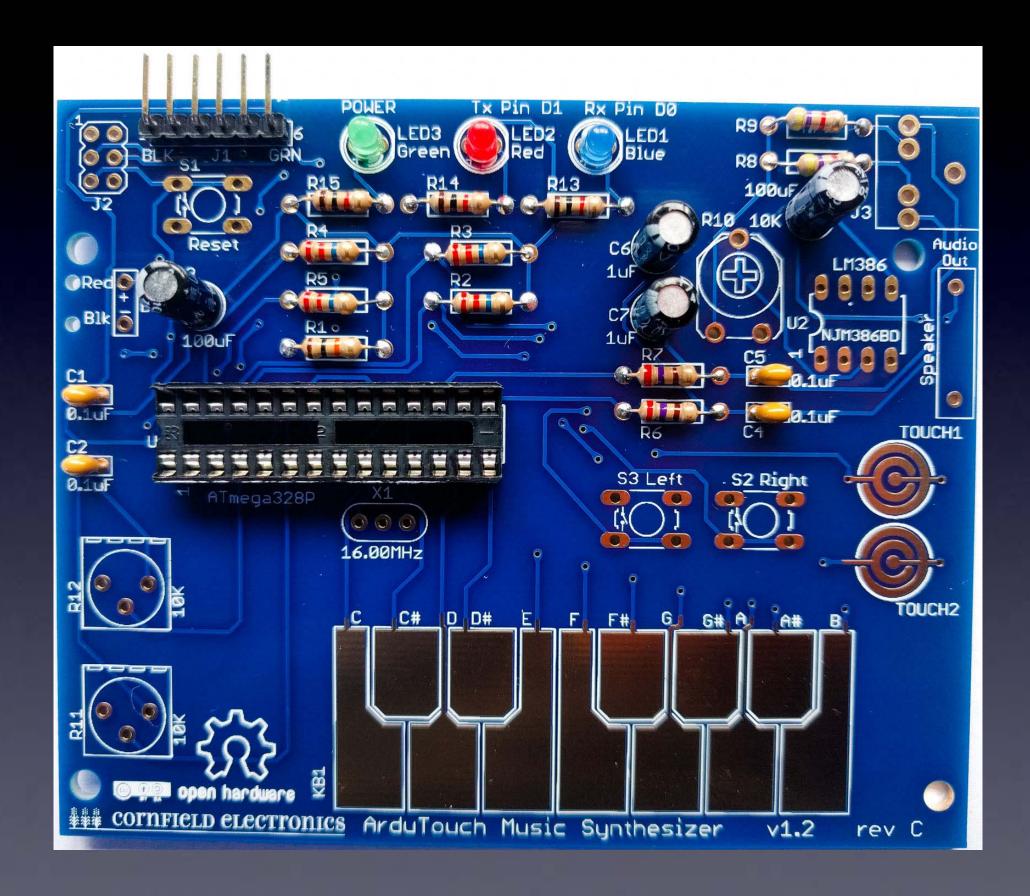
Short leads into board

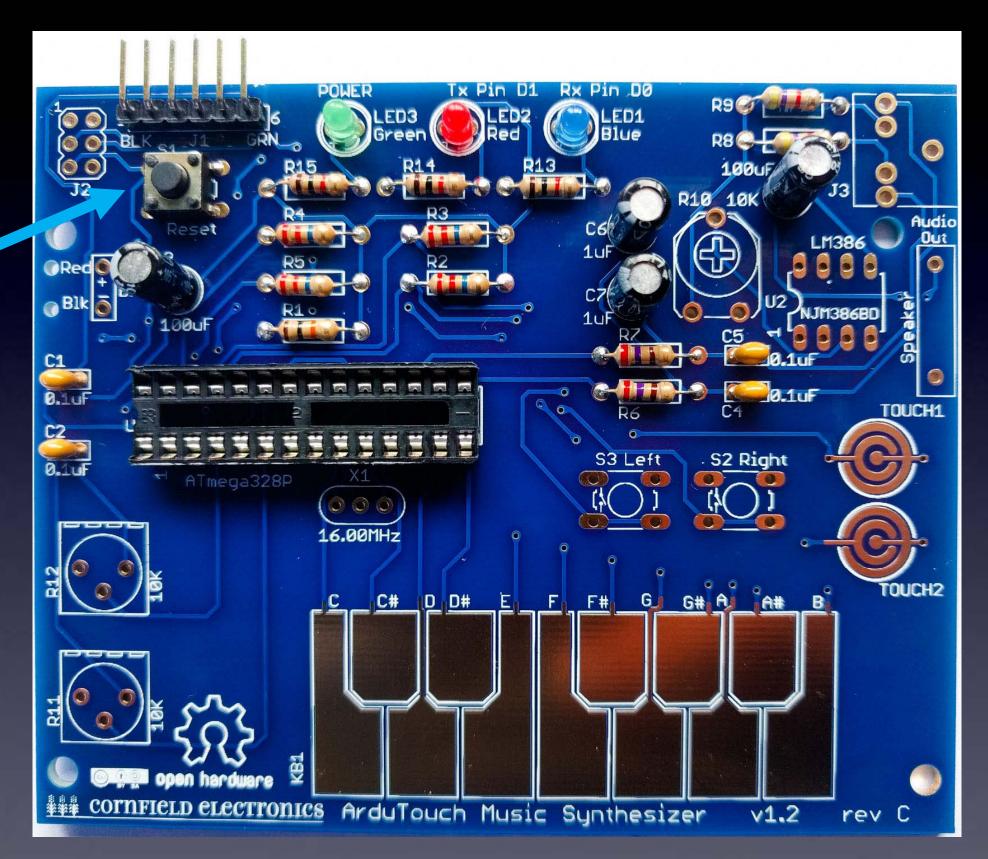
J1

IMPORTANT:
short leads
go into the board



→ long leads sticking out from board



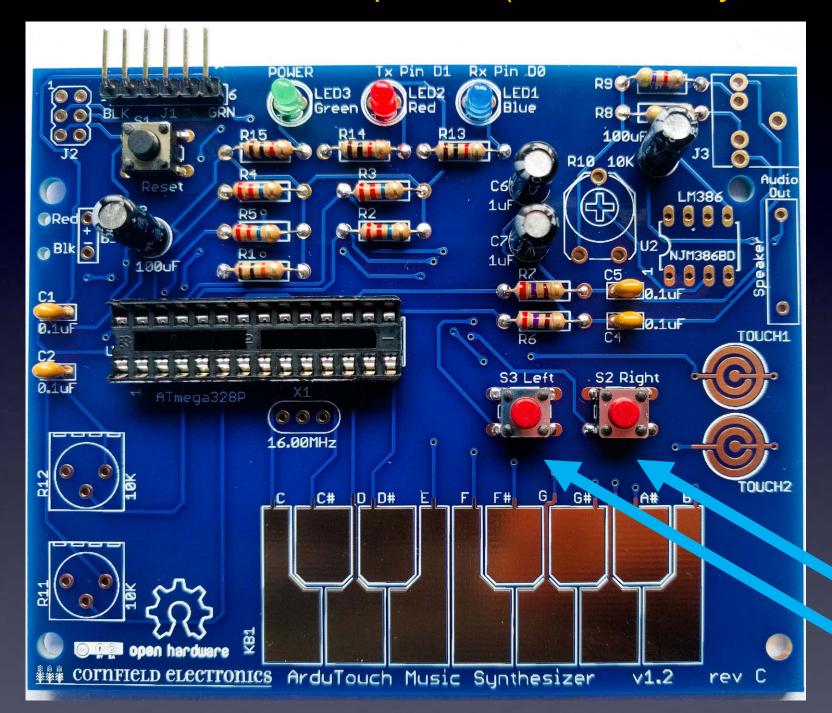


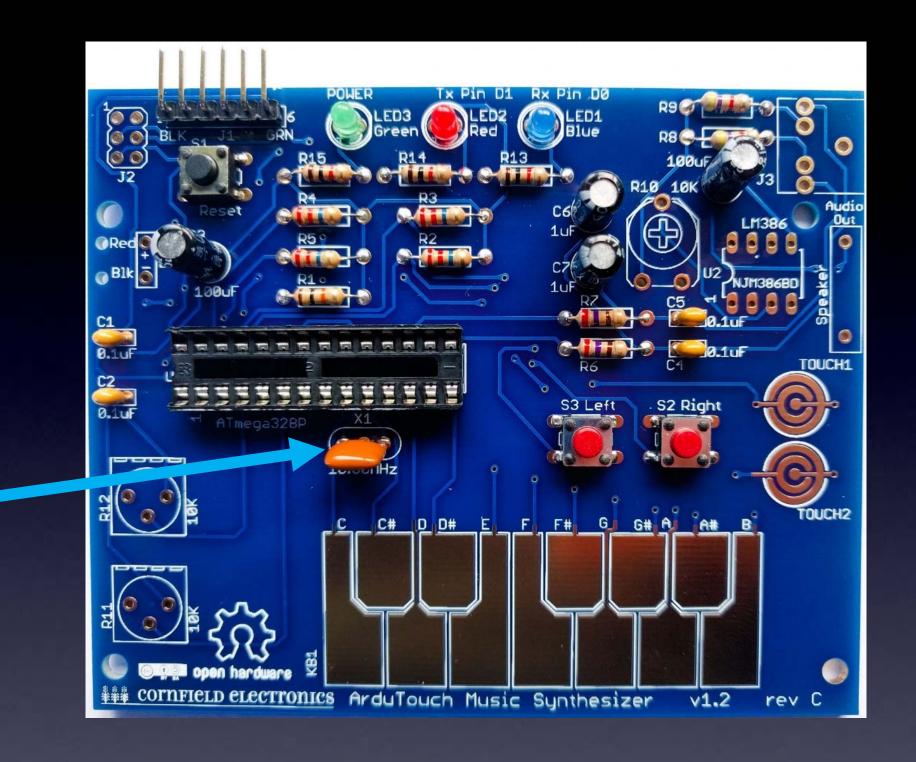
S1: black Reset button

Note: The color of this switch is not important (some kits may have different colors).

S2, S3: Red buttons

Note: The color of these switches is not important (some kits may have different colors).

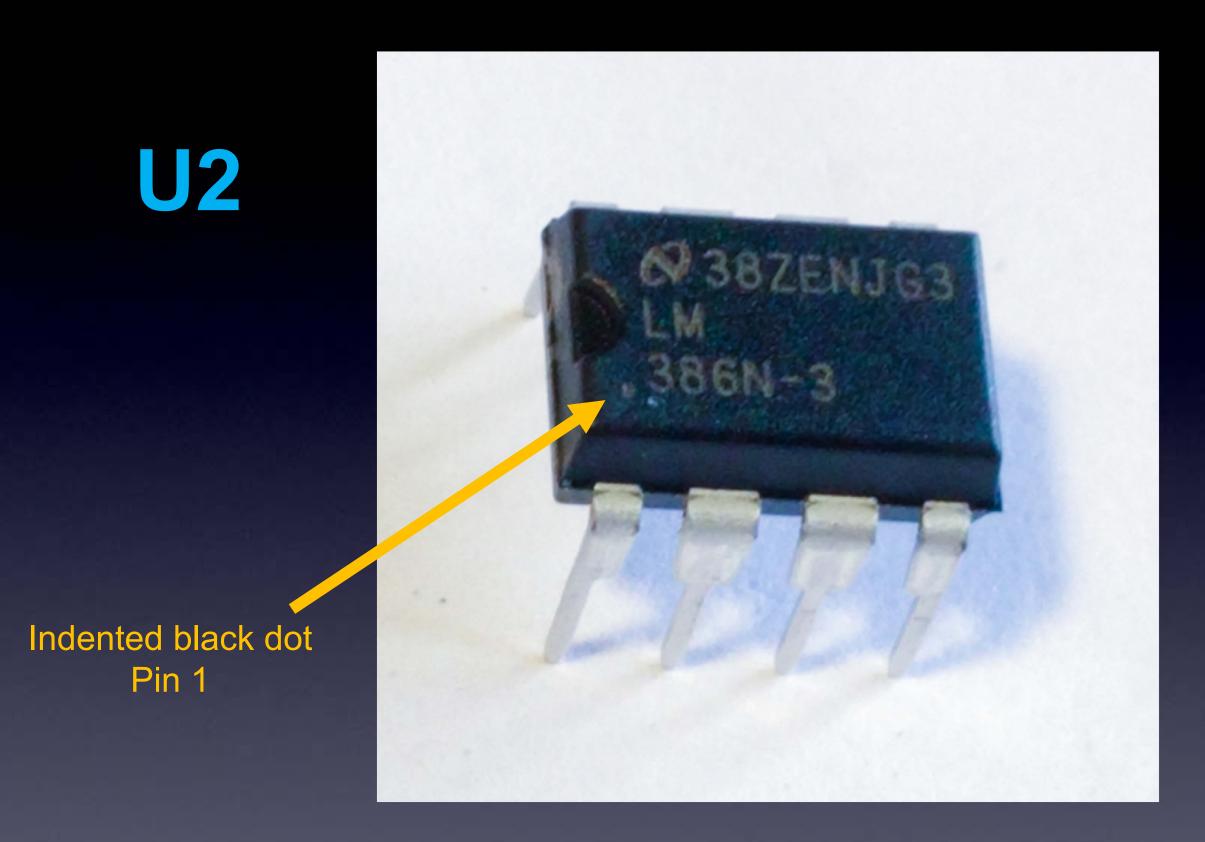




X1

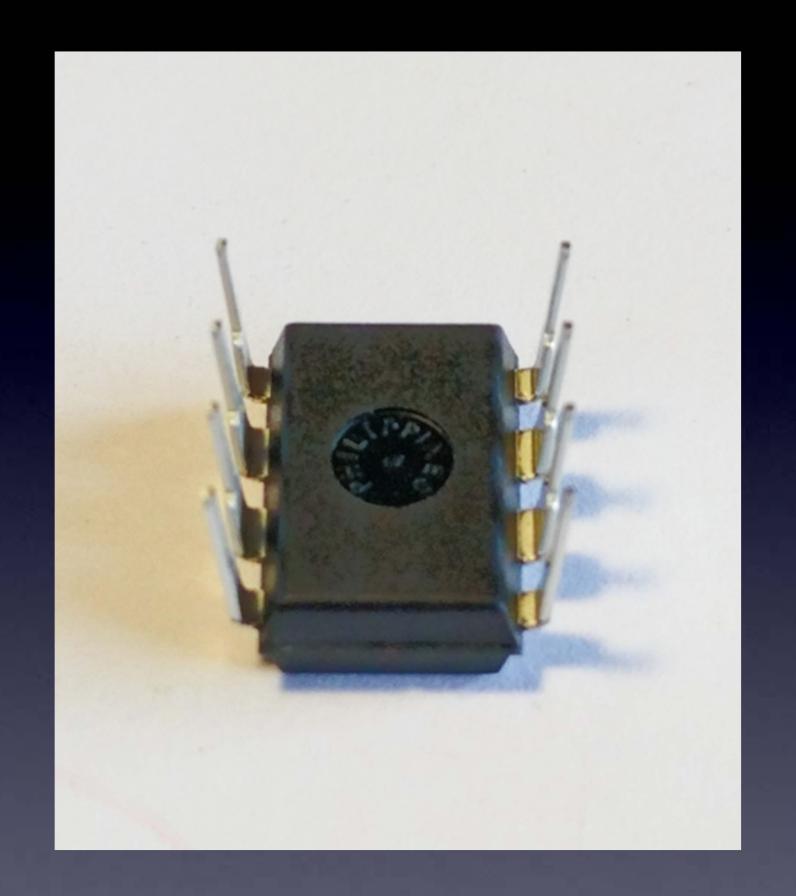
The orientation of X1 does not matter.

Note: X1 may be yellow or blue.

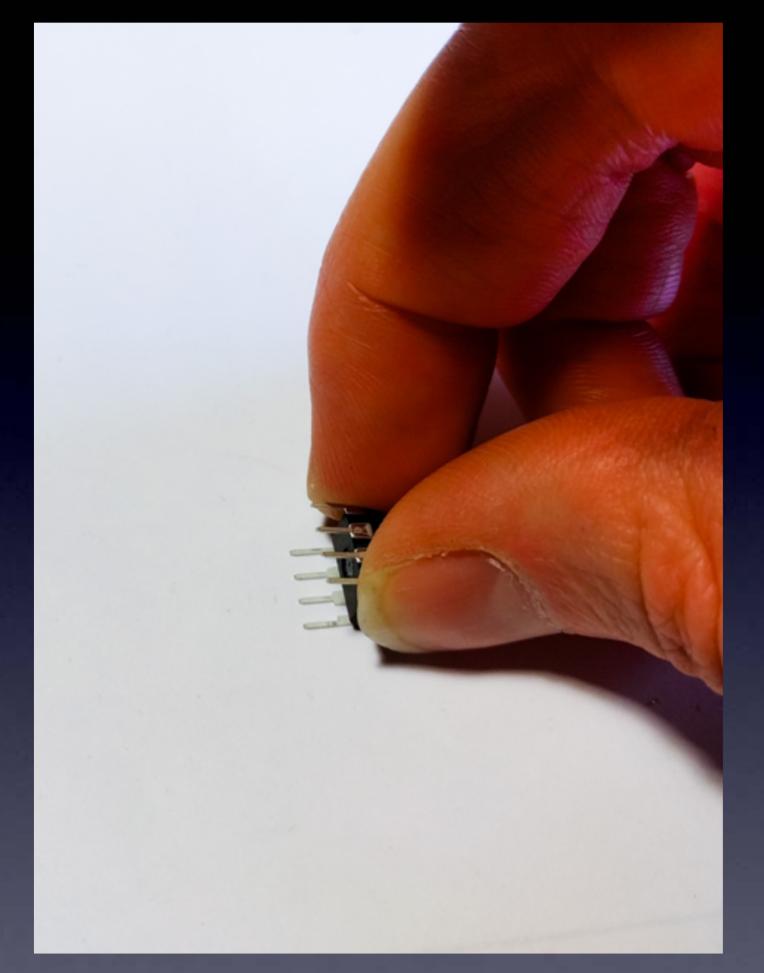


Note: Your chip may be marked differently, but "386" will be printed on it somewhere.

Note: Your chip may or may not have the indented half-moon at the left, it may have a black indented dot at the lower-left corner showing Pin 1.

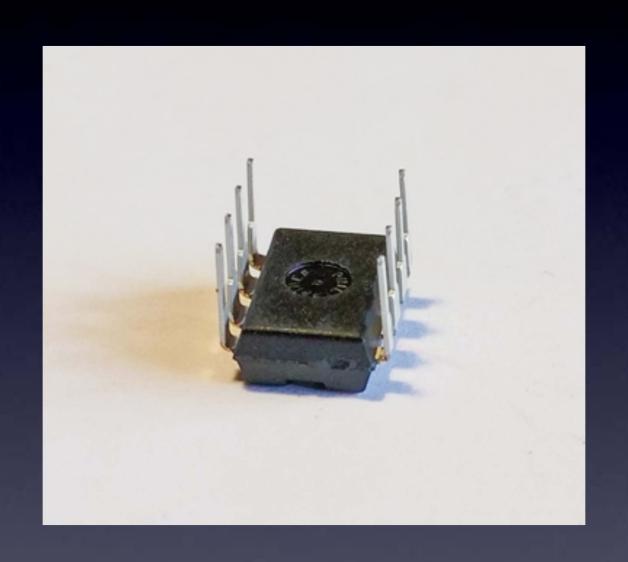


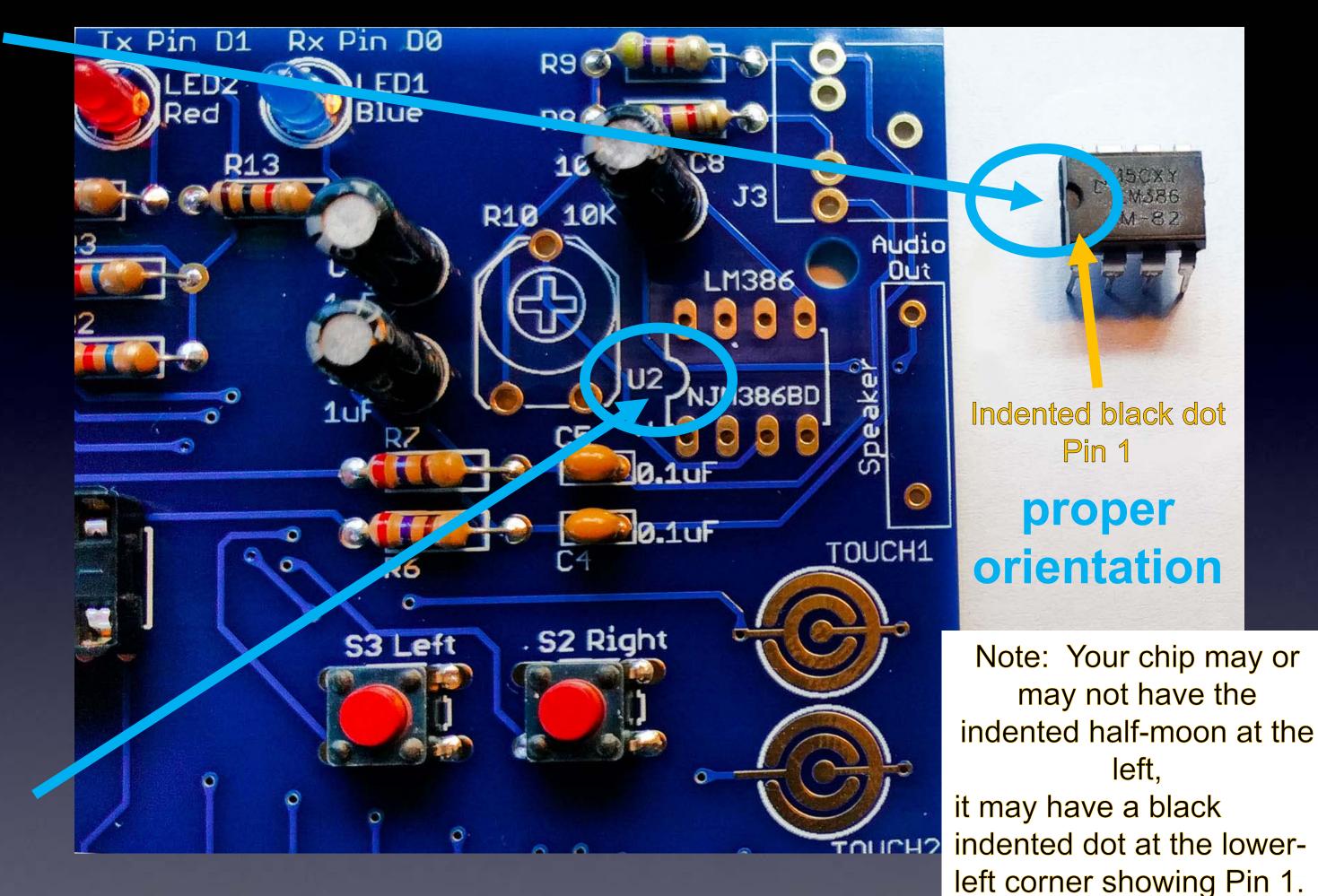
When chips are new, their pins are bent out.



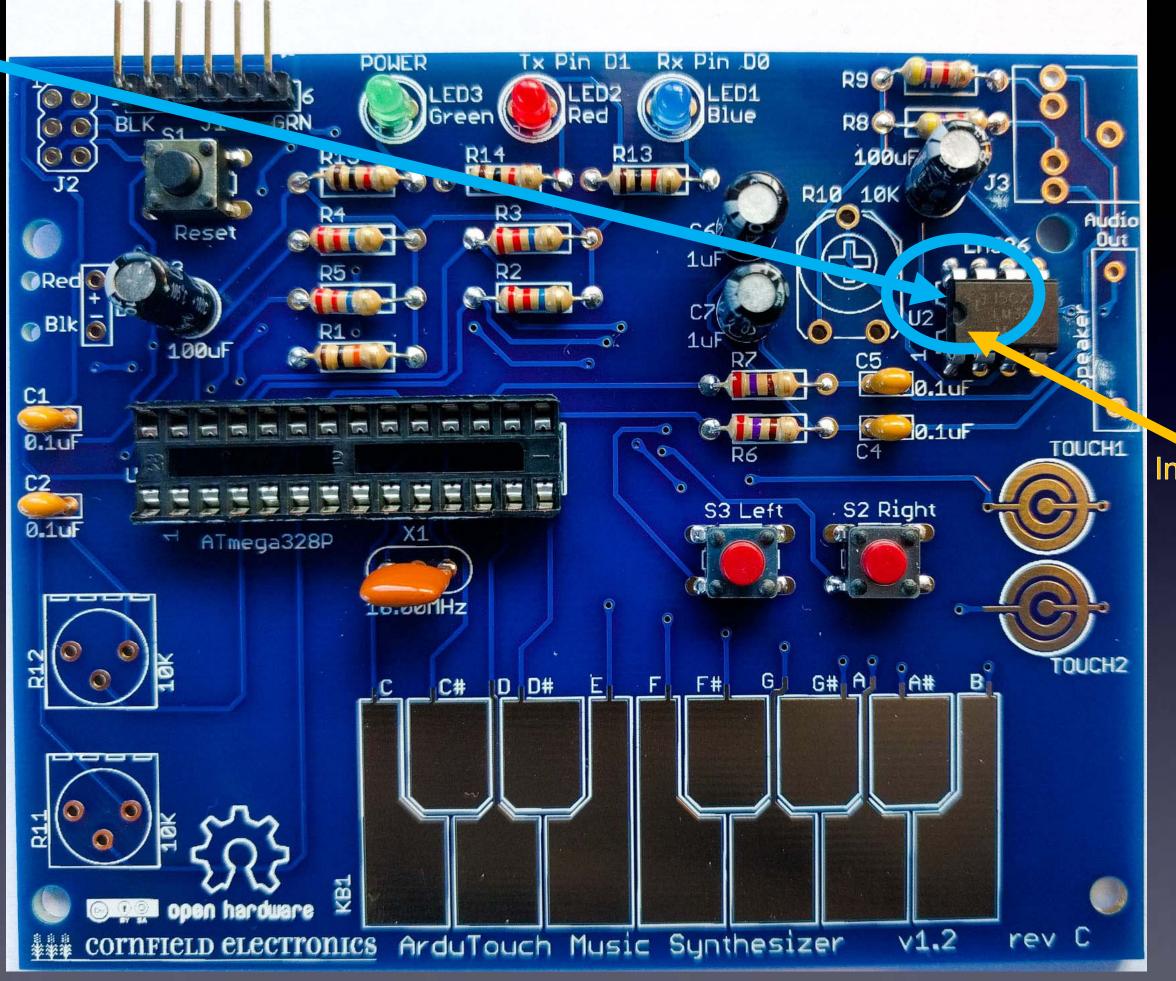
We need the pins bent straight and parallel. Use your work table to (gently) bend the leads.

Gently
bend leads
so they're straight
and parallel



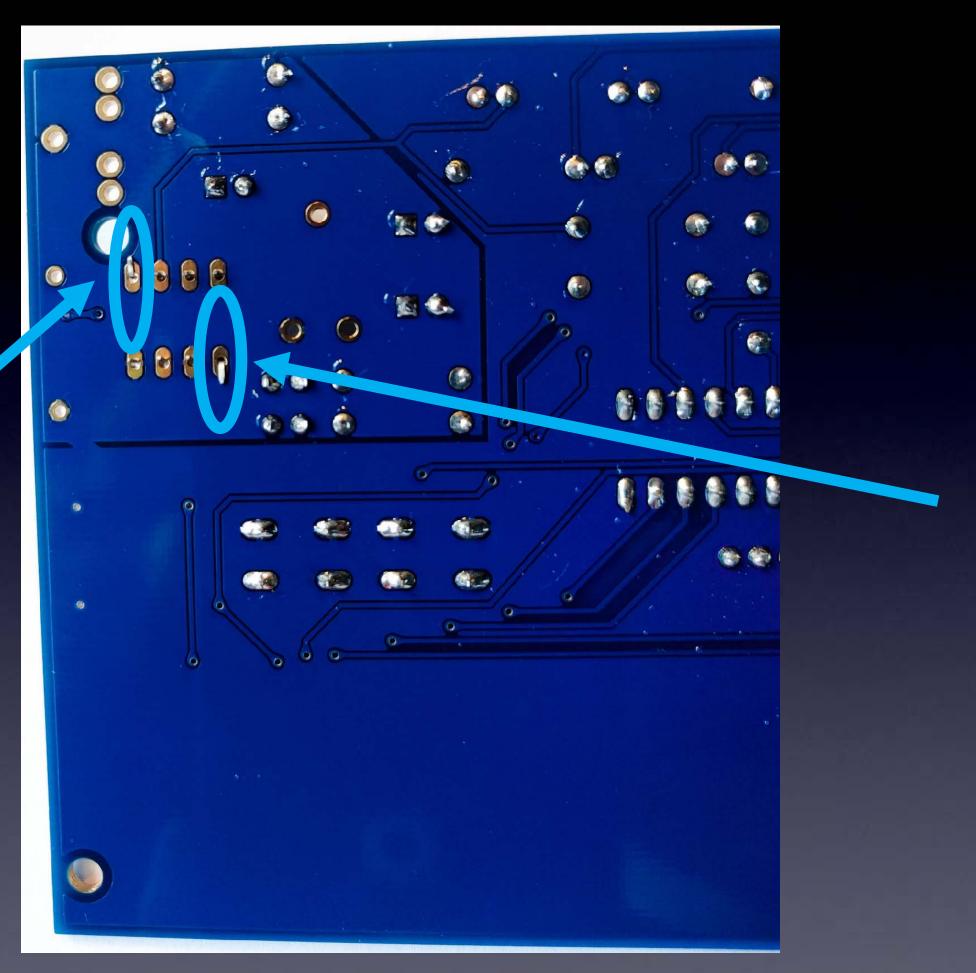


U2: audio amp chip

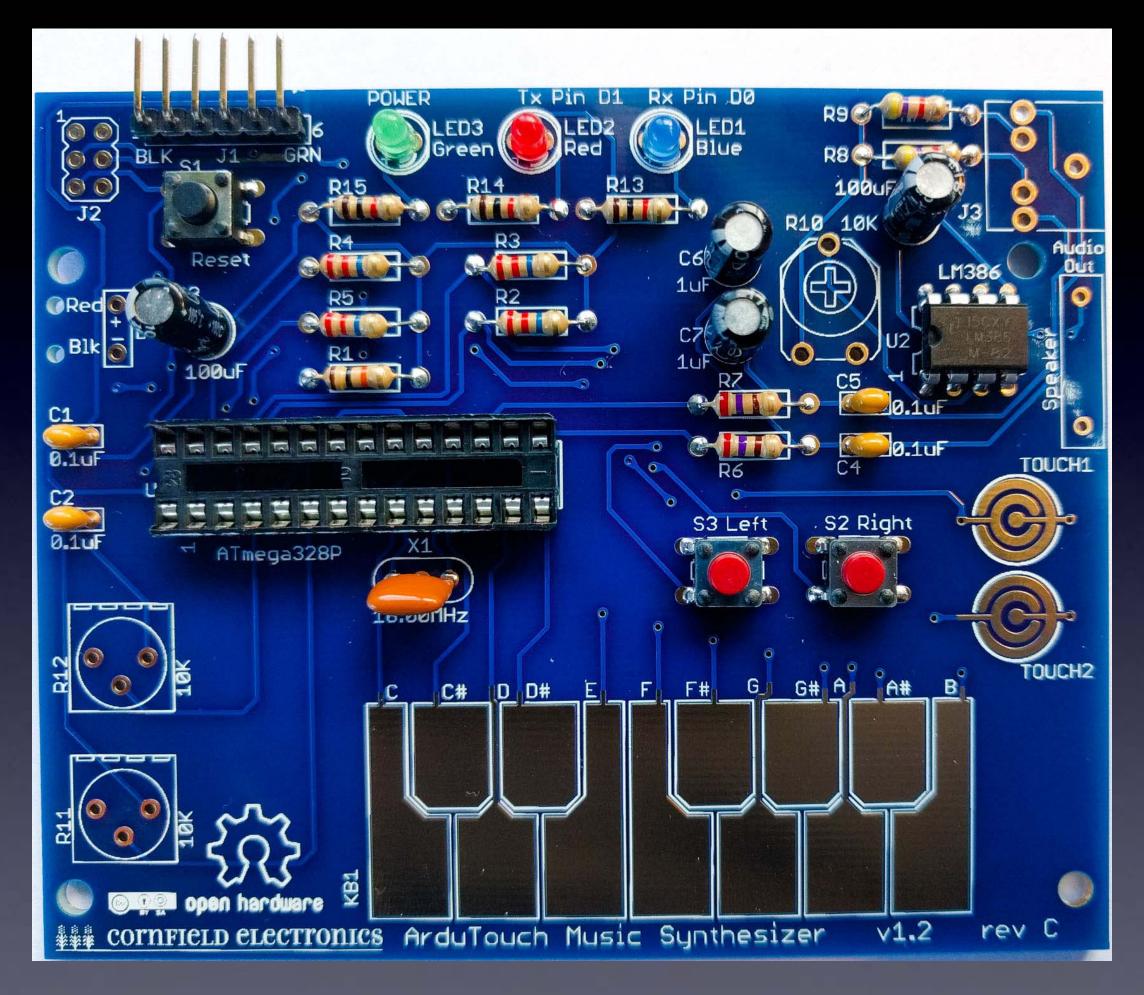


U2: inserted correctly

Indented black dot Pin 1

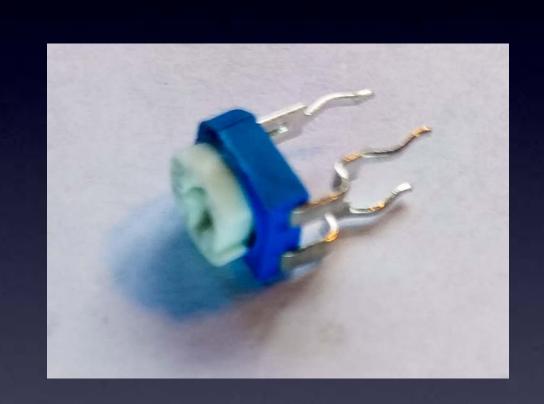


bend pins down on two corners, and solder all 8 leads to the board



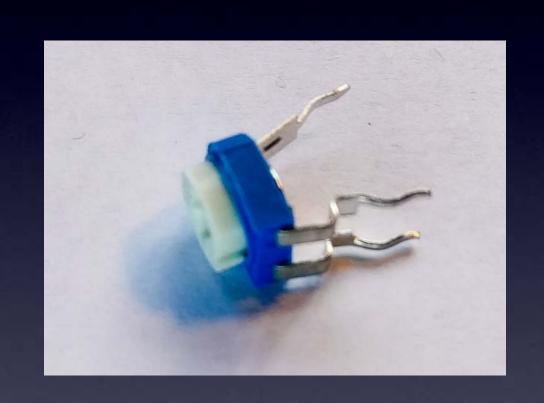
U2 – soldered to board

R10: volume control



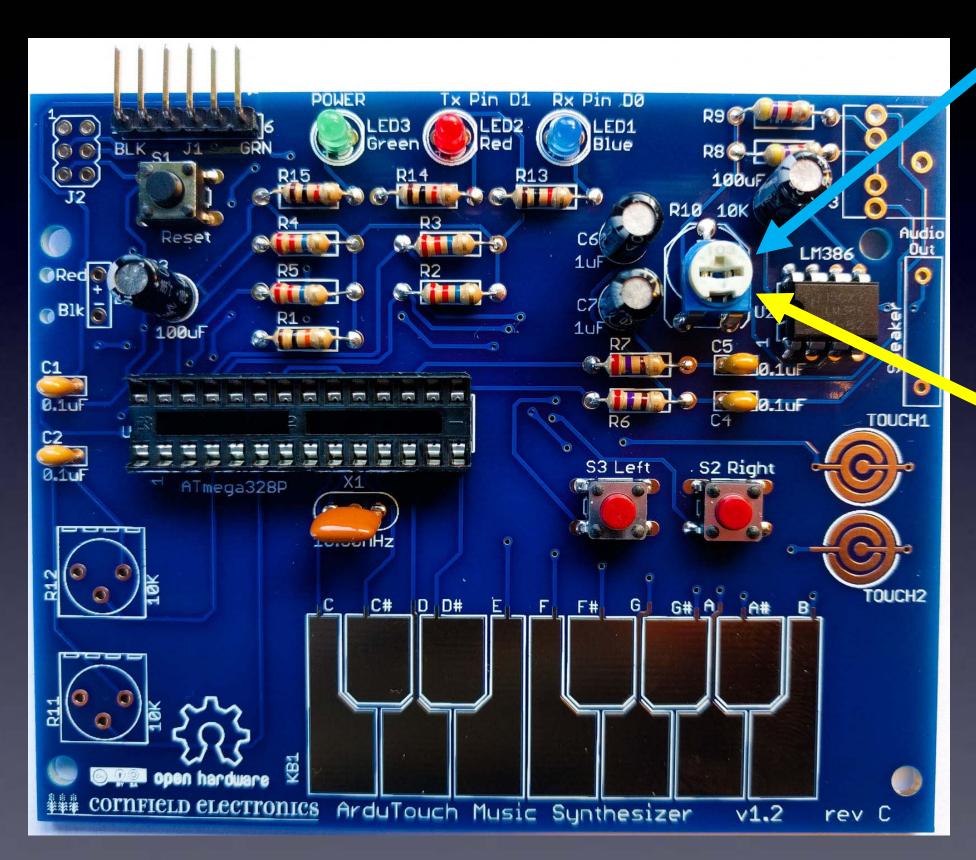
When new, the pins point straight down.

R10: volume control

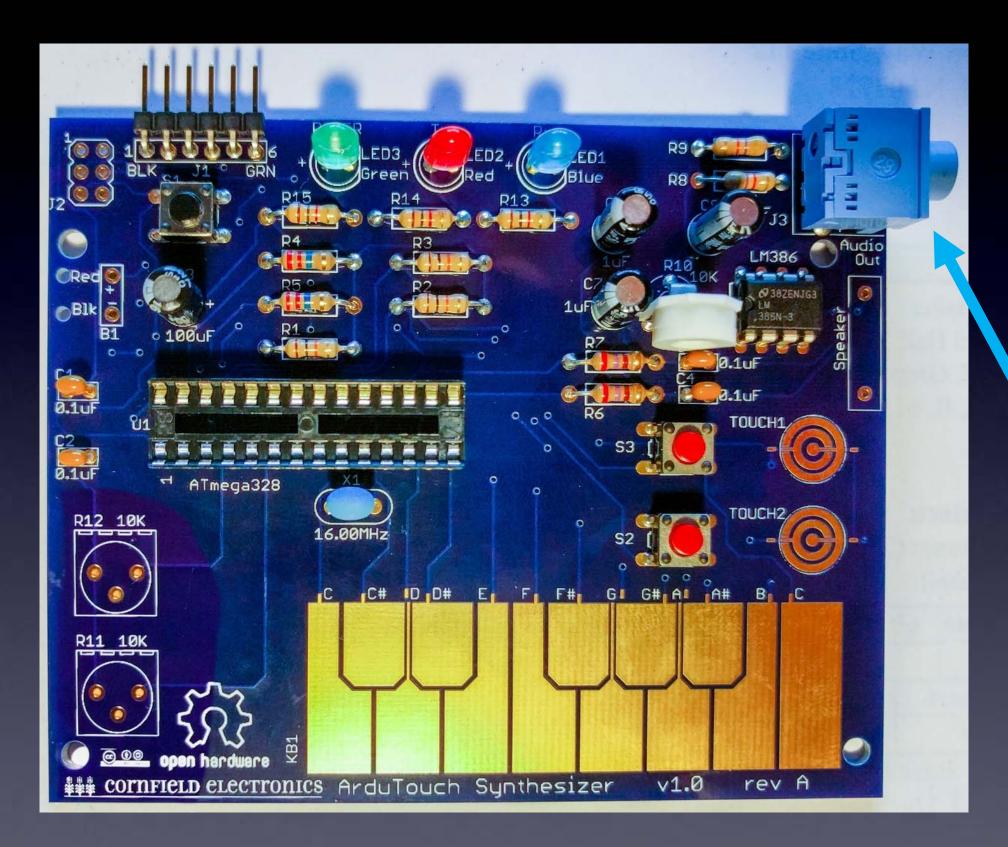


We need to bend them out a little to fit into the board.

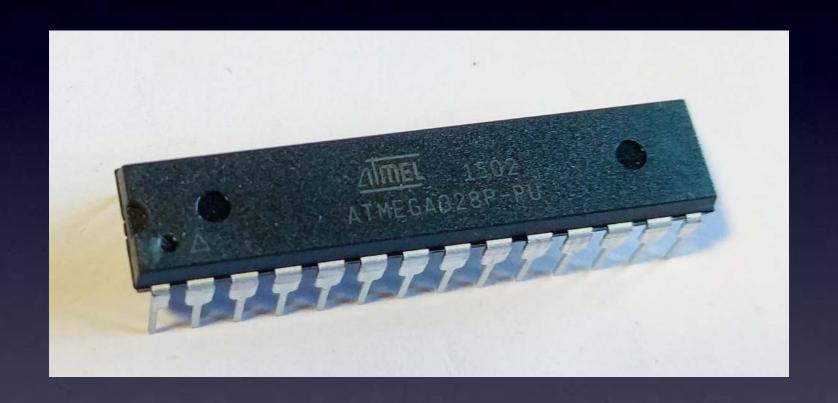
R10: volume control



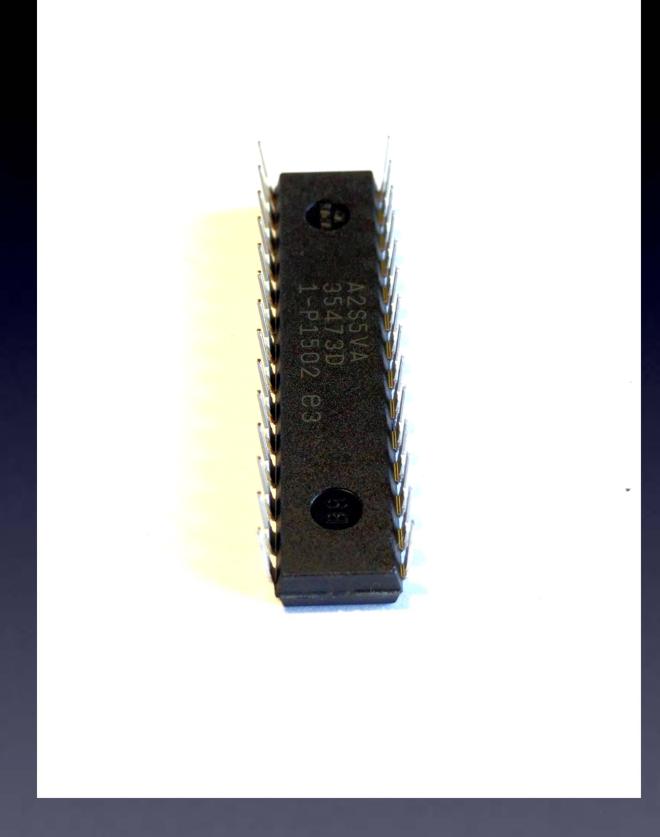
If necessary,
rotate the white top
so that it looks
like this photo
(rotated half-way)



J3: headphone / output jack



U1: microcontroller

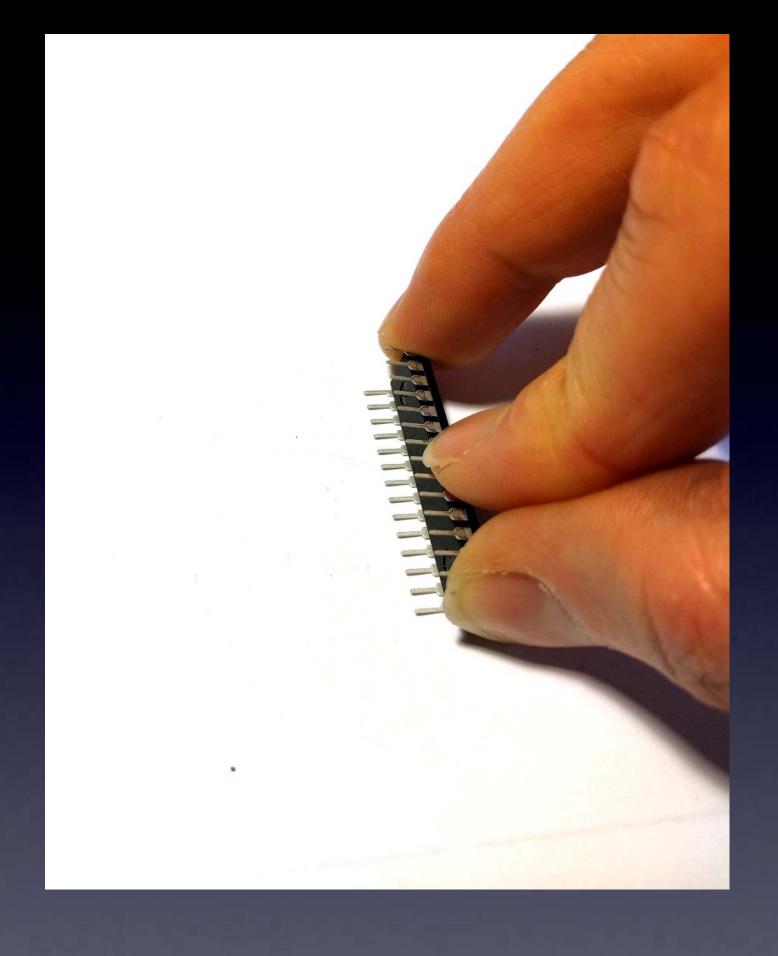


When chips are new, their pins are bent out.

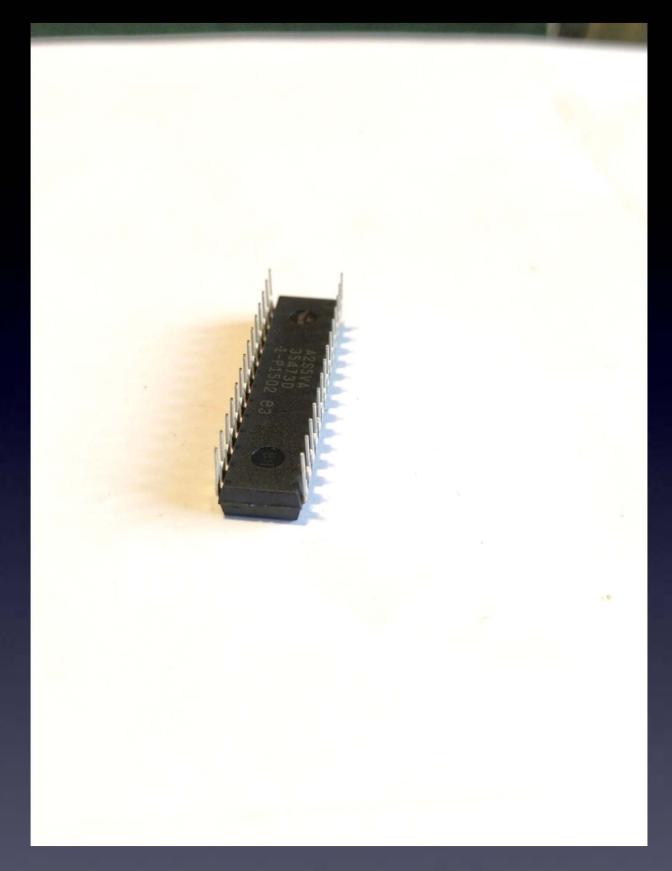
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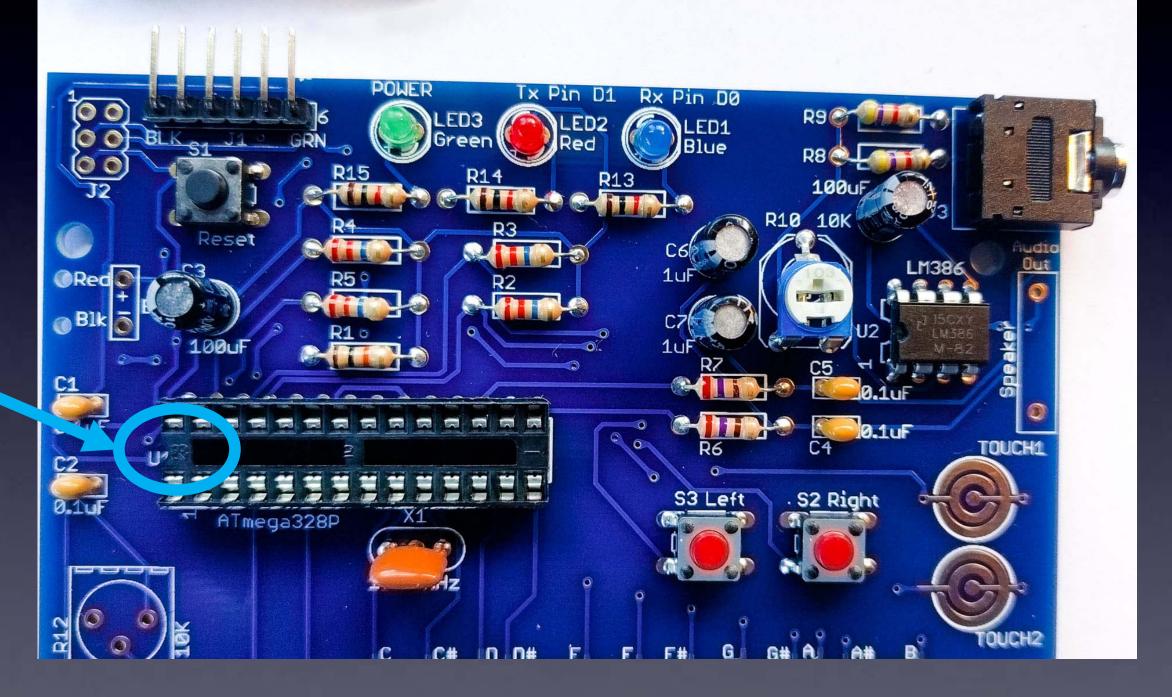


U1: microcontroller

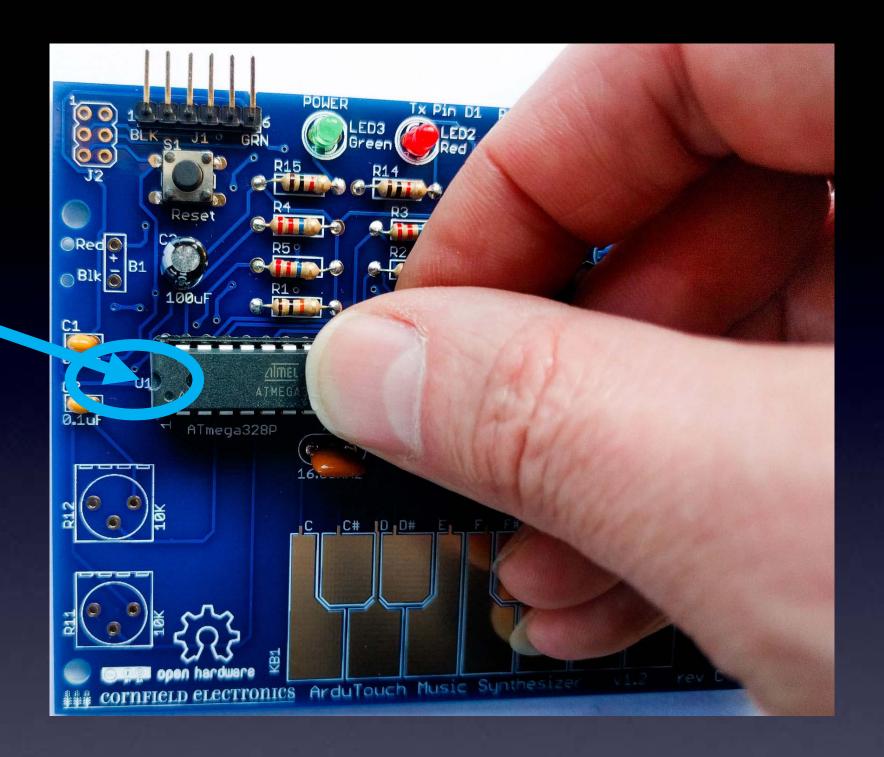
These pins must be straight and parallel



proper orientation



U1: microcontroller



U1: microcontroller

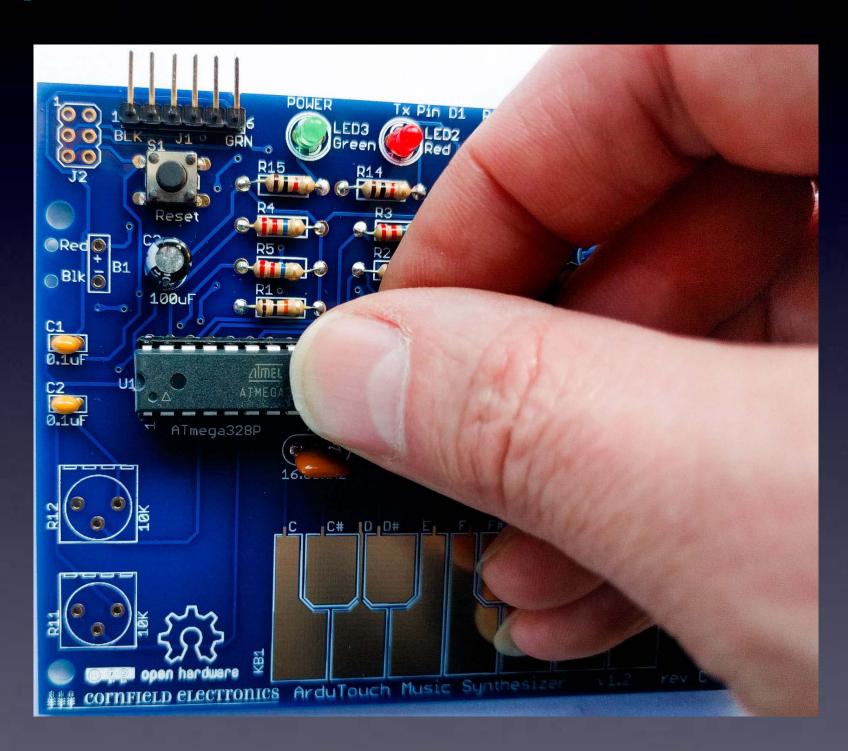
make sure each pins rests in its hole in the socket

→ with the proper orientation

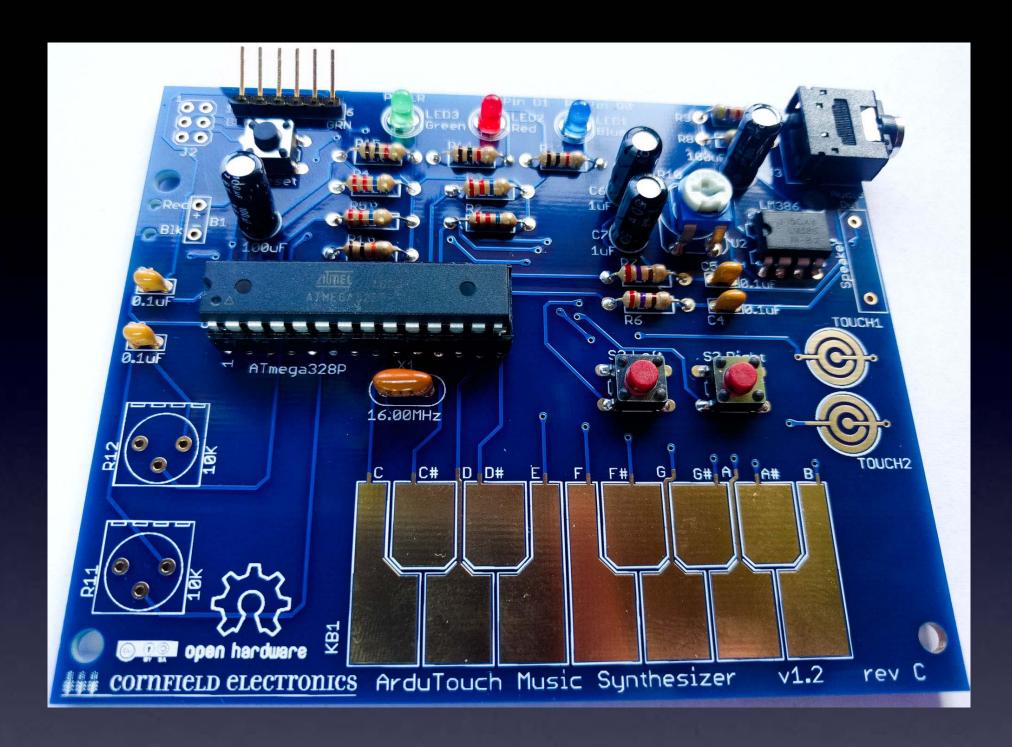
Use two thumbs to push microcontroller into its socket

Make sure all 28 pins are in place, and push it into its socket.

(This is actually way easier with 2 thumbs.)



U1: microcontroller



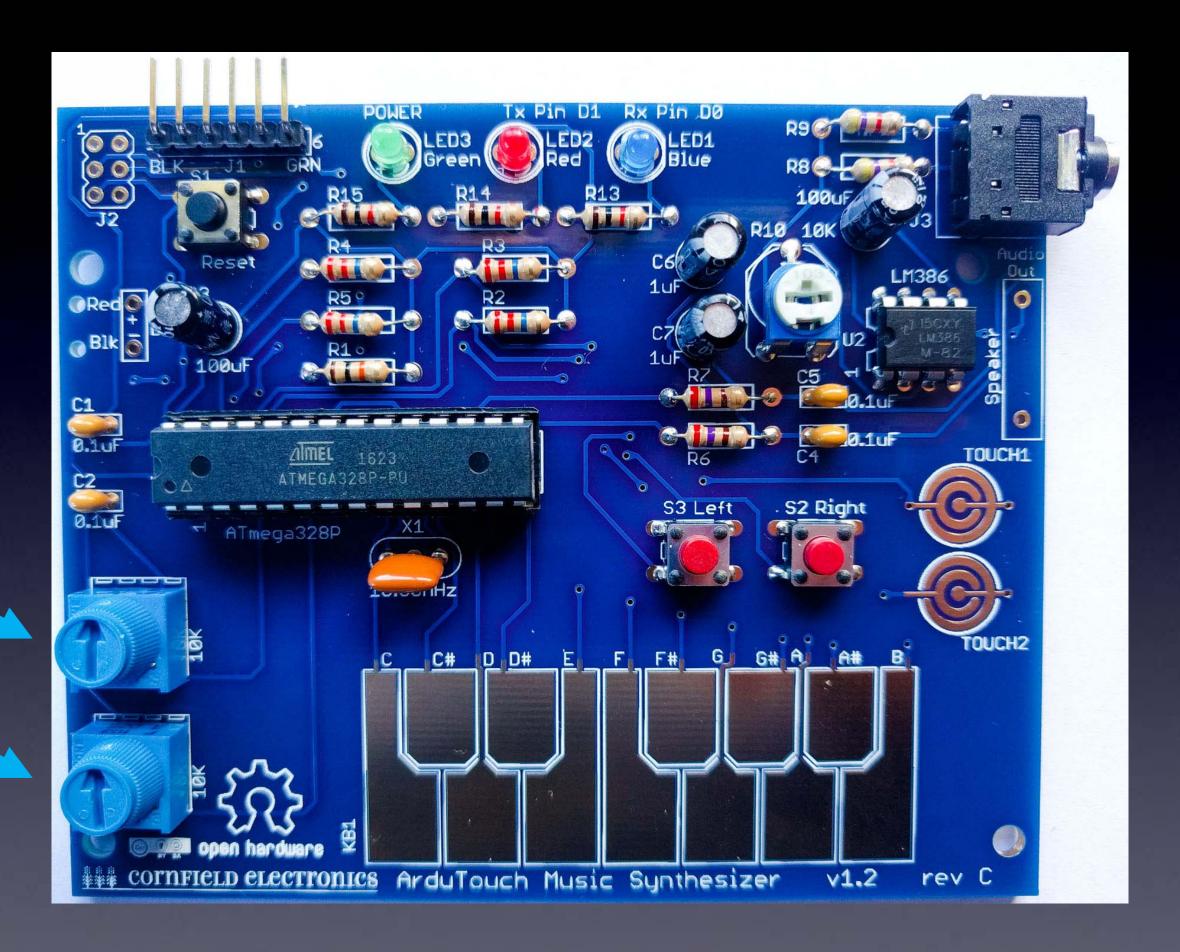
U1: microcontroller

Inspect all pins, and be sure each went into its hole in the socket – not bent.

If any pins are bent, (gently) pry out chip, straighten pins, and insert again.



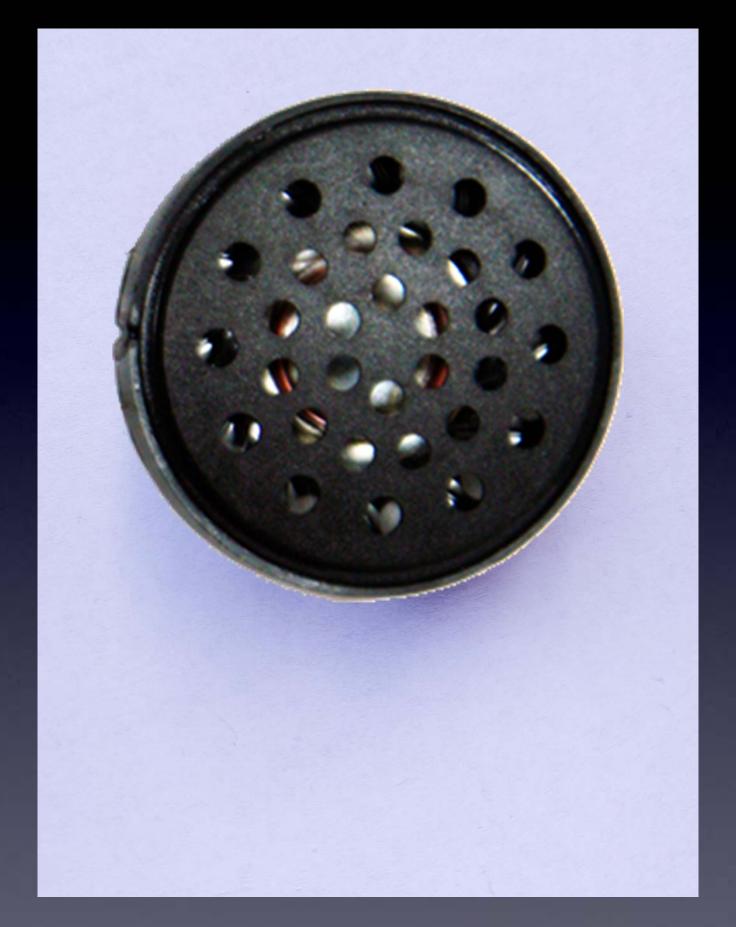
R11 & R12: potentiometers



R11 & R12: potentiometers



Some kits have a speaker that looks like this

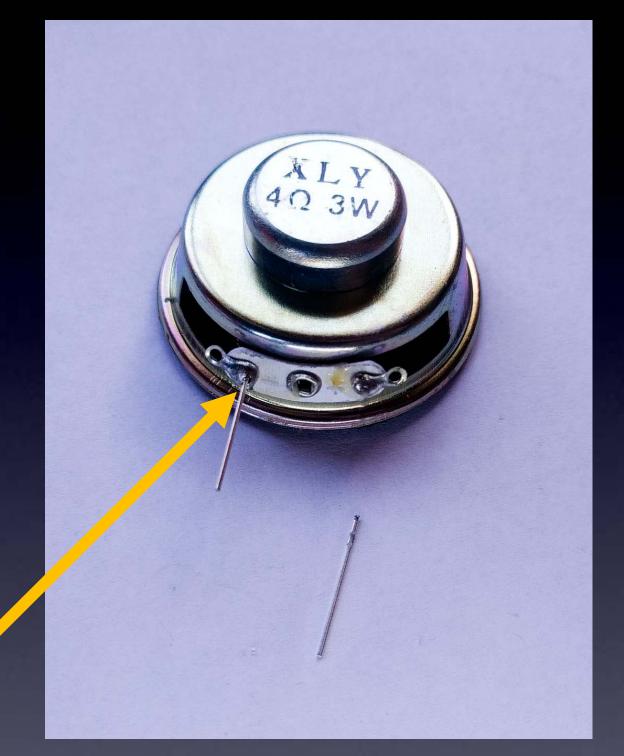


We'll add leads to the speaker



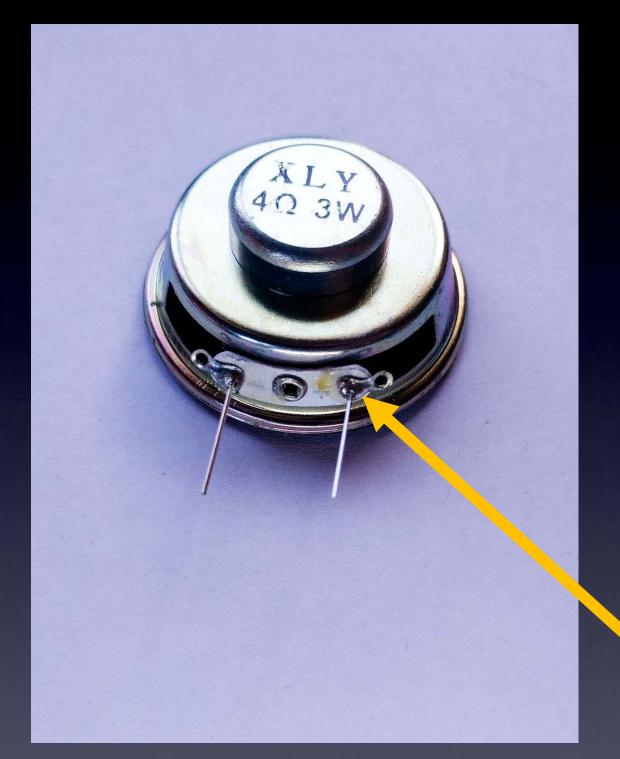
from the LEDs

Solder one lead to speaker



Notice the correct place to solder the wire

Solder next lead to speaker



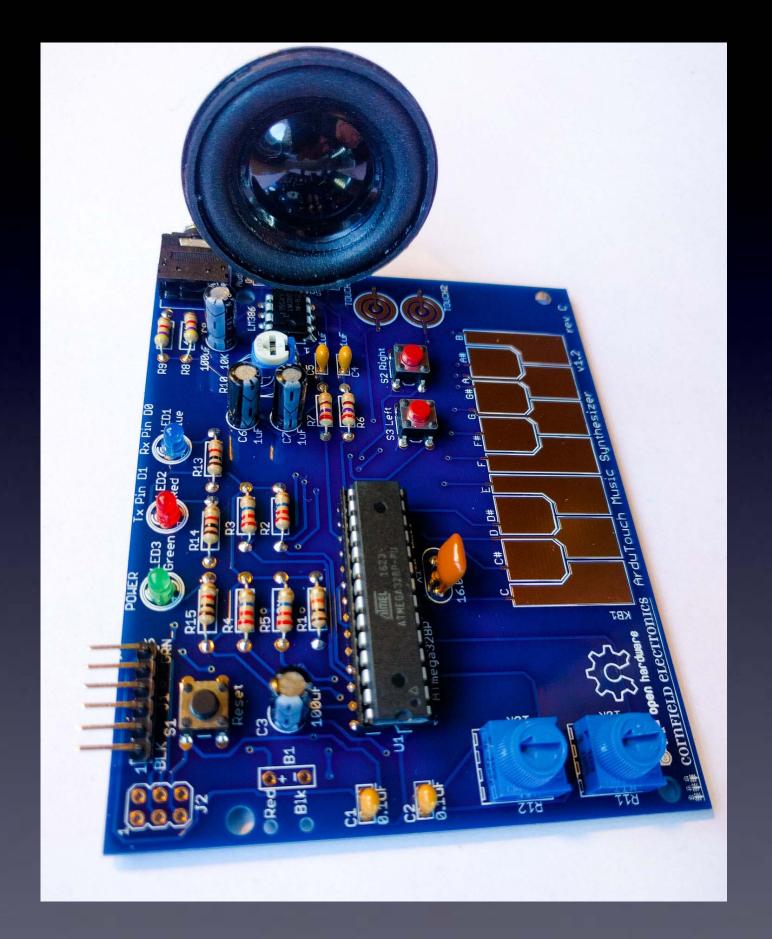
Speaker

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Notice the correct place to solder the wires

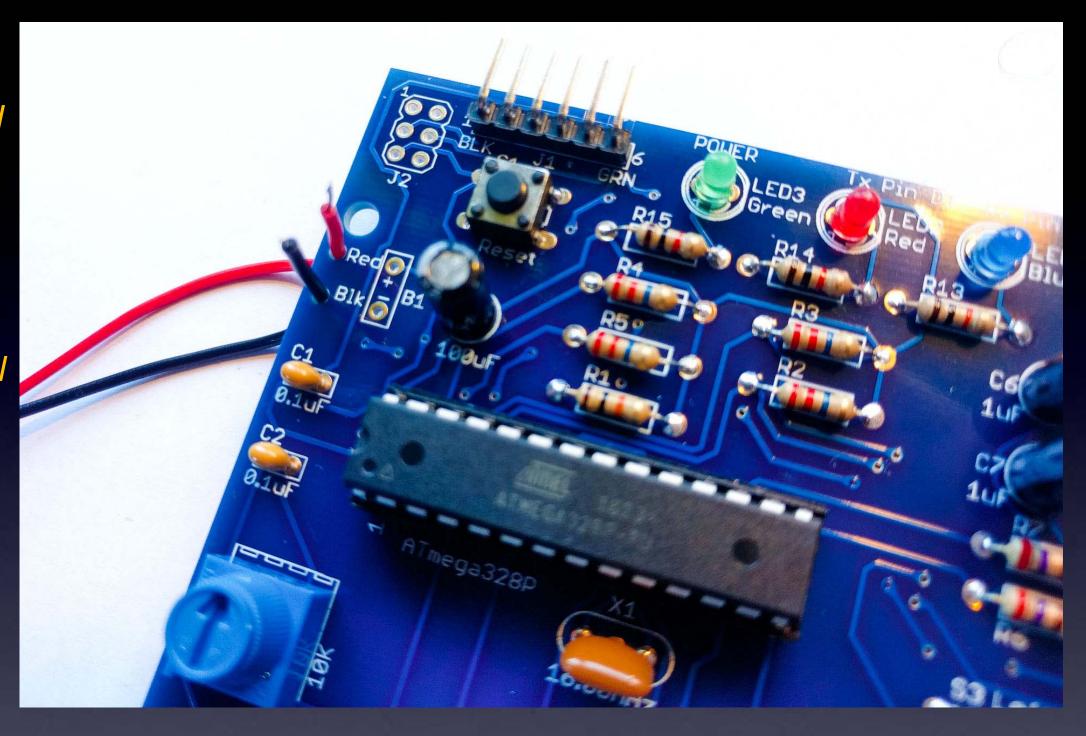
Insert
speaker into board
and solder
both leads to board.



Speaker

Note: Some battery pack wires have thicker red and black plastic coatings.

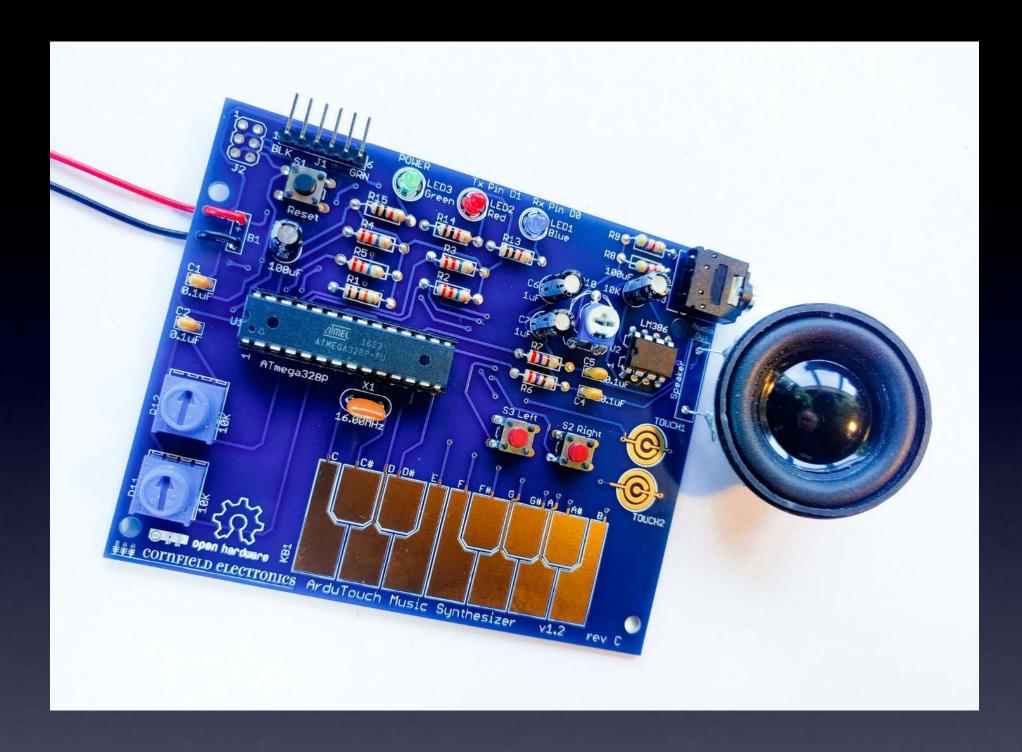
If so,
you can widen the these
two holes by gently
rotating a scissors or small
knife or small Phillips
screwdreiver on the top
and bottom of these two
holes.



Push battery pack leads through holes.

Make sure Red and Black go through their correct holes!

Battery pack



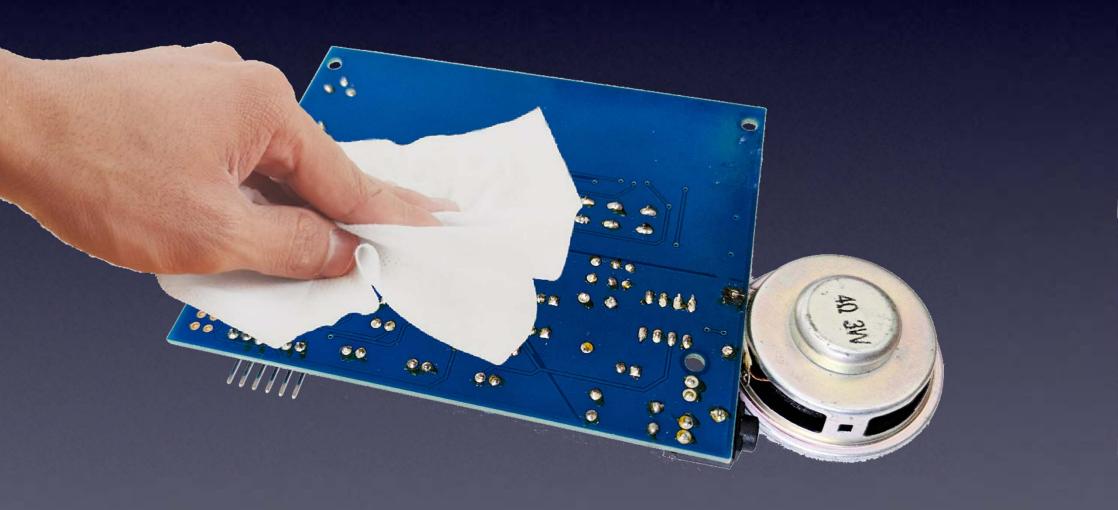
Loop one lead into its pad, and solder.

Then loop the other lead into its pad, and solder.

Battery pack

If you used any flux paste for re-working problems

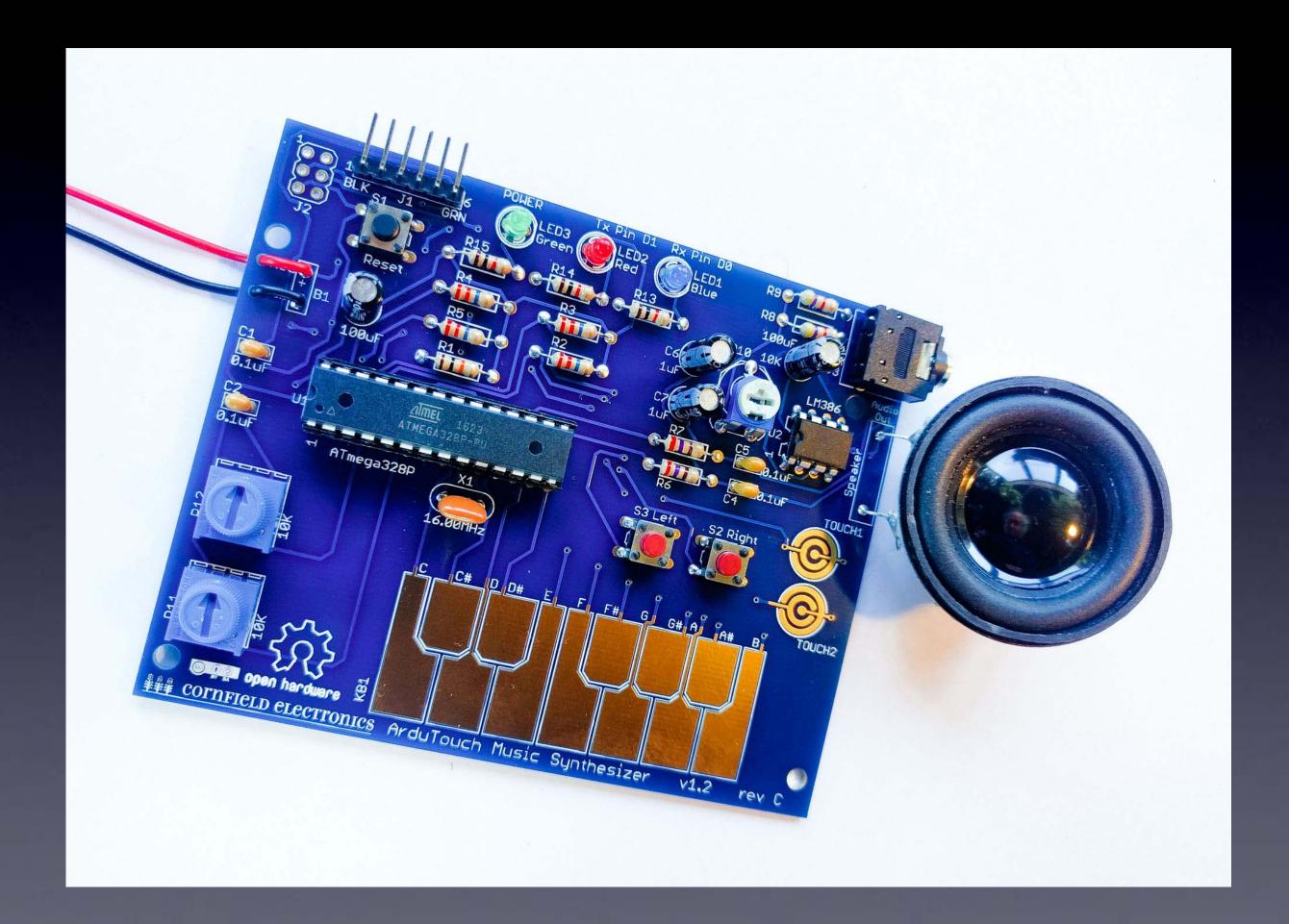




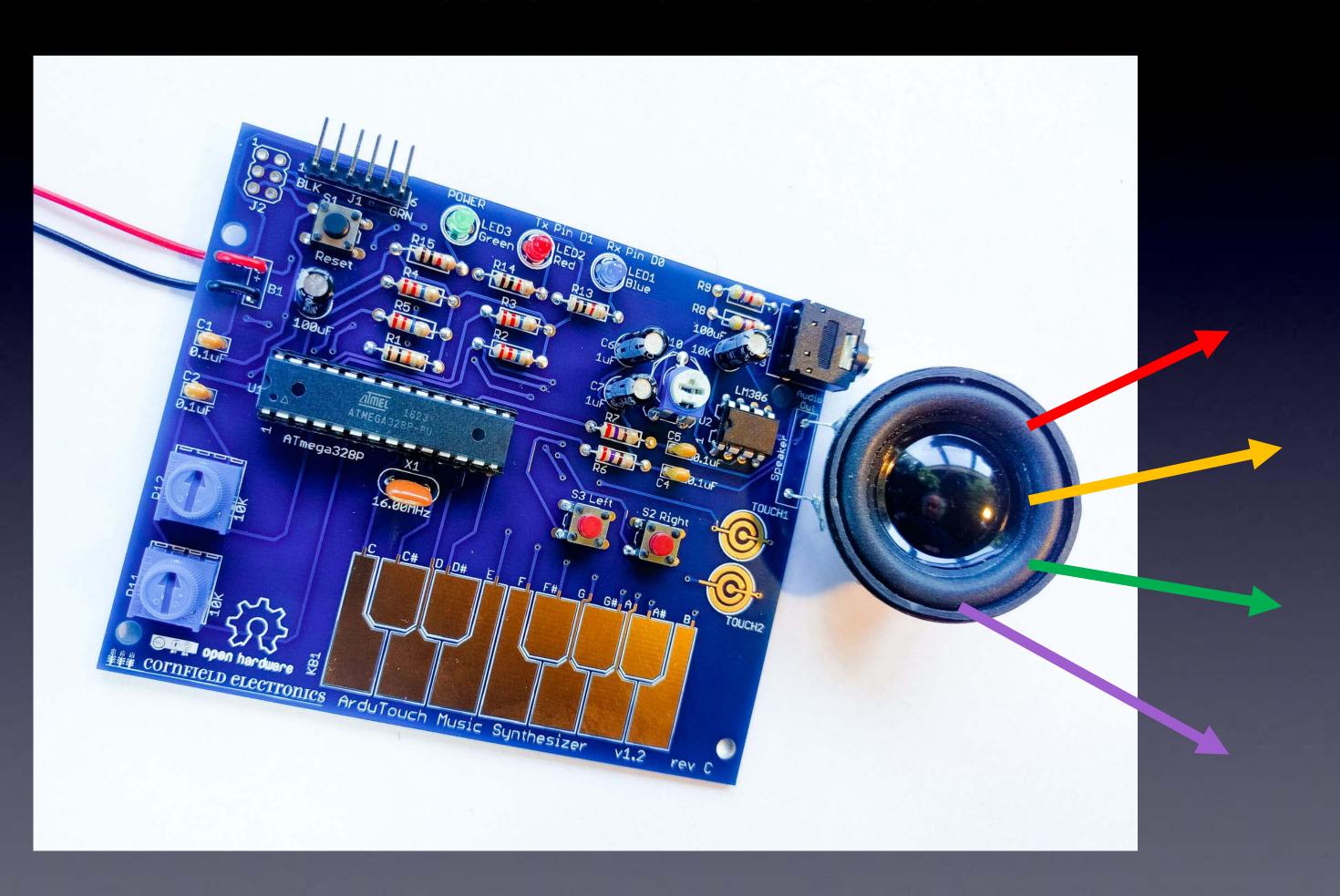


You can clean it with a cloth wet with Isopropyl Alcohol

Done!



Let's make noise!



Please Remember:

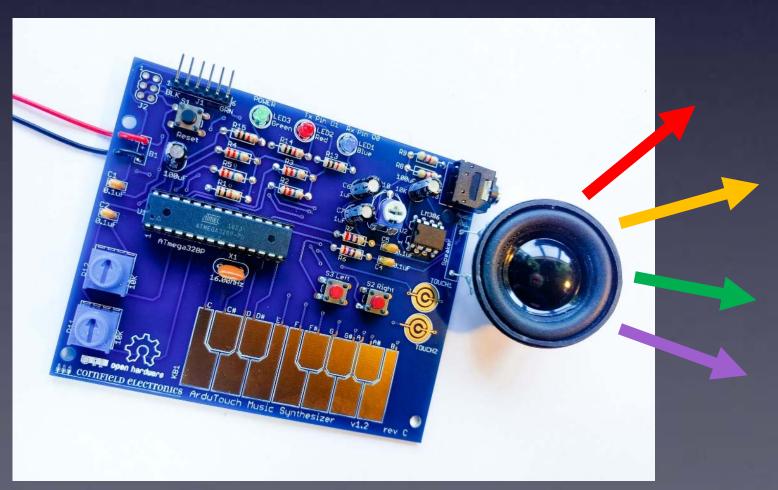
to
Wash your hands
after soldering

Let's make noise!

Your ArduTouch comes pre-programmed with a really cool synthesizer, called "Thick".

"Thick" plays 4 sawtooth waveform notes at once.

- the left and right buttons change octaves
- long press the left and right buttons to change sounds
- the Bottom knob controls the glide rate
- the Top knob controls how each of the 4 notes glide separately
- Try playing with these and see!



Optional: 3D Printed Case!

The built-in speaker will sound **way** nicer with a case.

ArduTouch Case, by ipsofatso – on Thingiverse:

https://www.thingiverse.com/thing:4702927

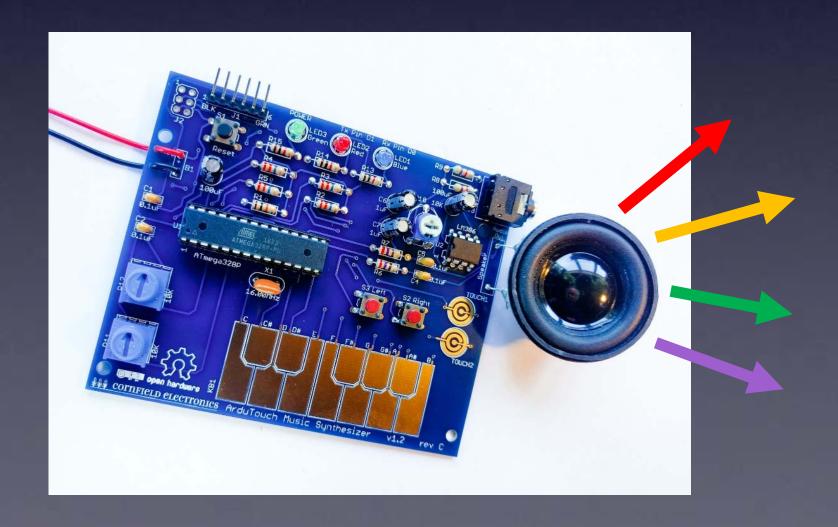


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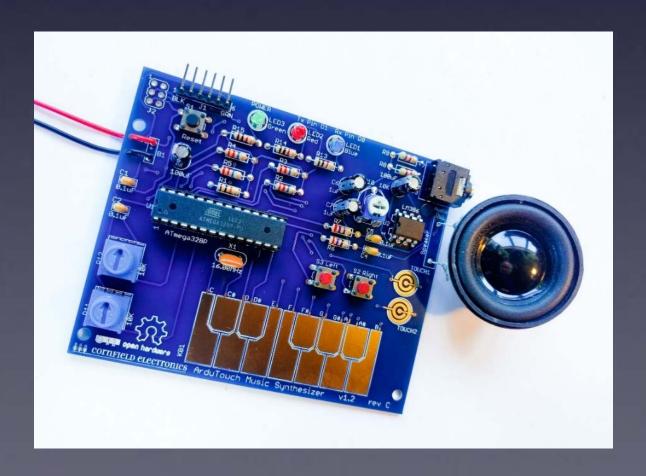
But if you want to program other synths into your ArduTouch, the next pages show you how...



Re-programming the ArduTouch

We have written several way cool synthesizers for the ArduTouch! Each is unique, and each way different than the others.

The following slides show you how to program these into your ArduTouch board...



Re-programming the ArduTouch

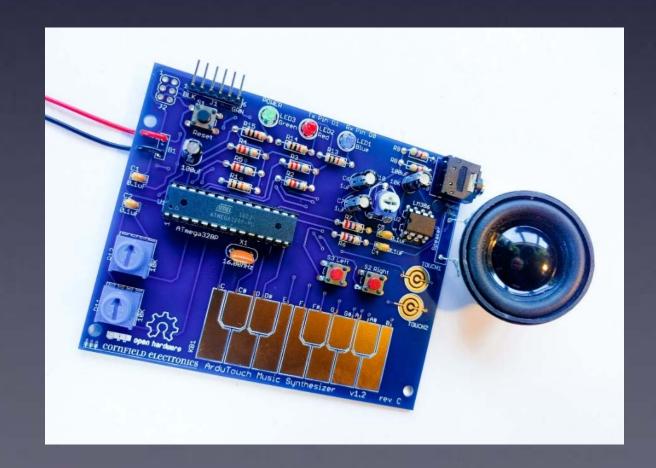
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To program in a new synth in your ArduTouch, you will need:

- the Arduino software
 - http://arduino.cc
- a USB-Serial adapter cable (such as an FTDI, or equivalent)
 - a nice one is available at
 - https://cornfieldelectronics.com/cfe/products/buy.php?productId=usbcable
- a synth sketch & the ArduTouch Arduino library

http://cornfieldelectronics.com/cfe/projects.php#ardutouch>

The following slides show you how to do the above, in detail.



Arduino is a very powerful tool!

But it is very easy to use.

It was designed for total beginners to use successfully.

I won't give a complete tutorial here – just some basics.

For more info, there are many good Arduino tutorials online.

A good place to start is:

https://www.arduino.cc/en/Tutorial/HomePage



First:

Any version is OK Download and install the Arduino software < http://arduino.cc >

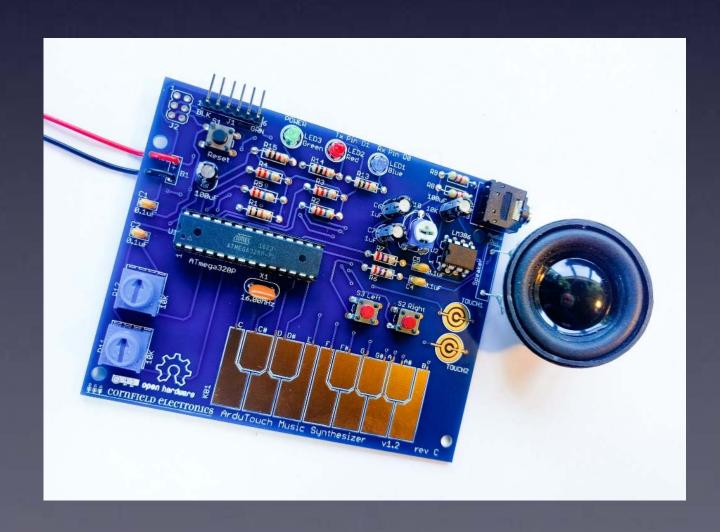


Re-programming the ArduTouch

Second:

Download and install the ArduTouch Arduino library http://cornfieldelectronics.com/cfe/projects.php#ardutouch>

(details on this soon)



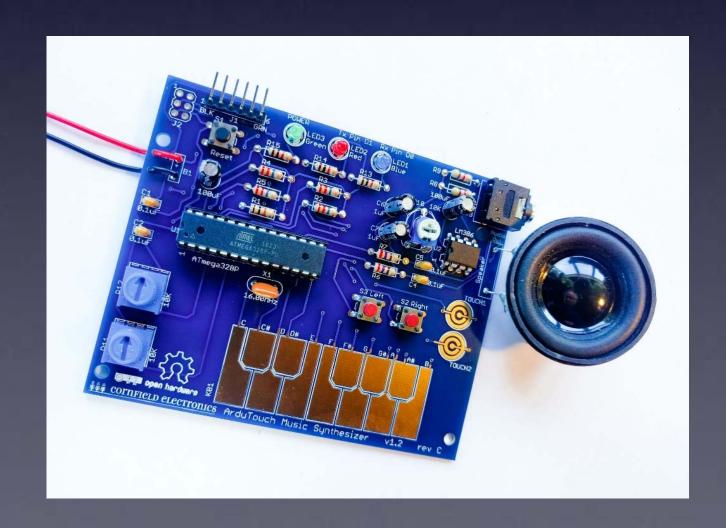
Re-programming the ArduTouch

Third:

Download ArduTouch synth sketches http://cornfieldelectronics.com/cfe/projects.php#ardutouch>

Store them on your computer anywhere you like.

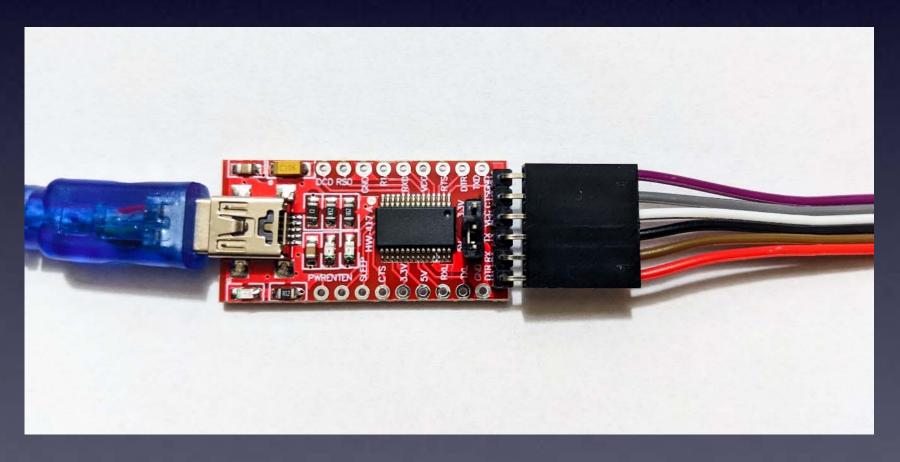
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USB-Serial adapter cable

Ones available from Cornfield Electronics look like this:

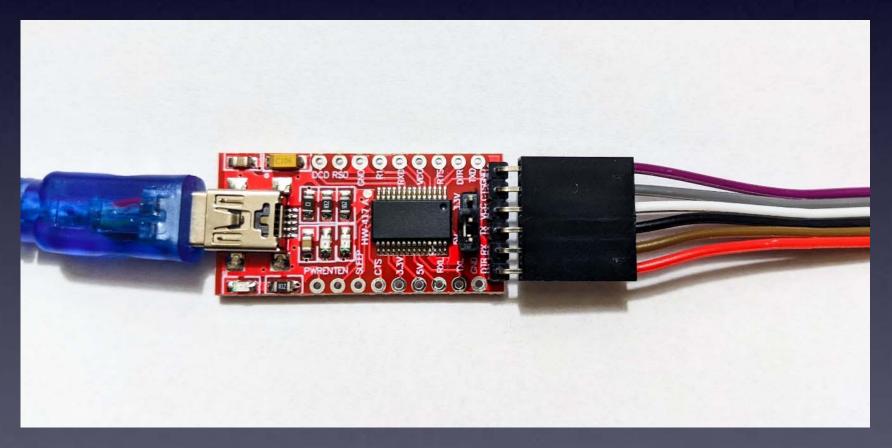
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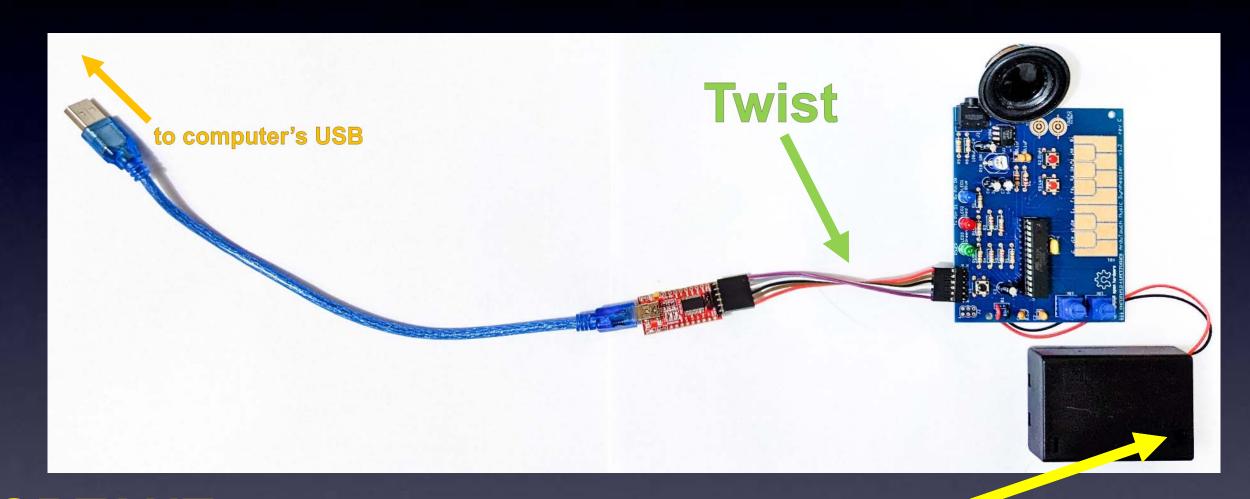
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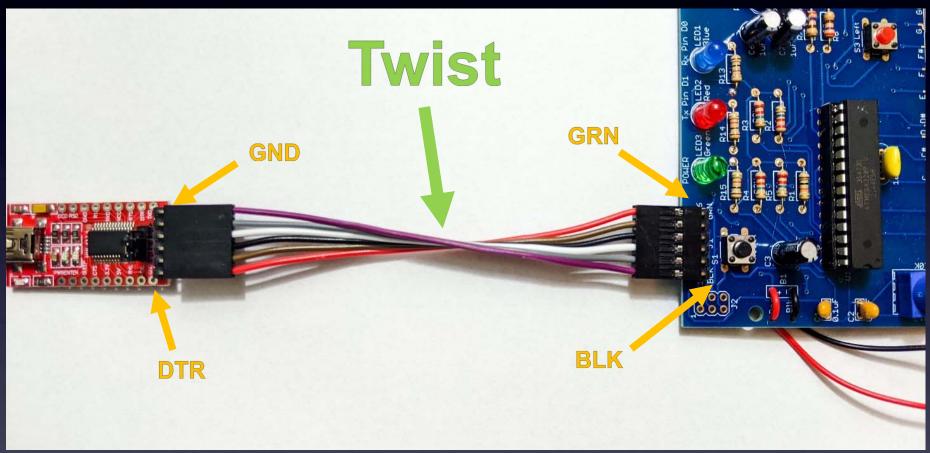
You may need to download and install a driver for your Operating System (Windows, MacOS, or Linux):

Or search for: "FTD1 232 driver"



IMPORTANT:
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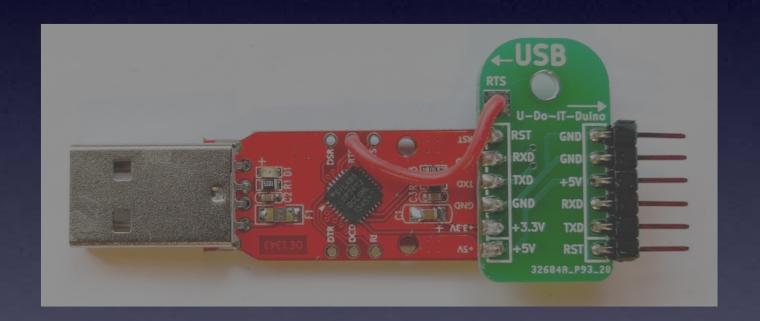
This shows a few more details:



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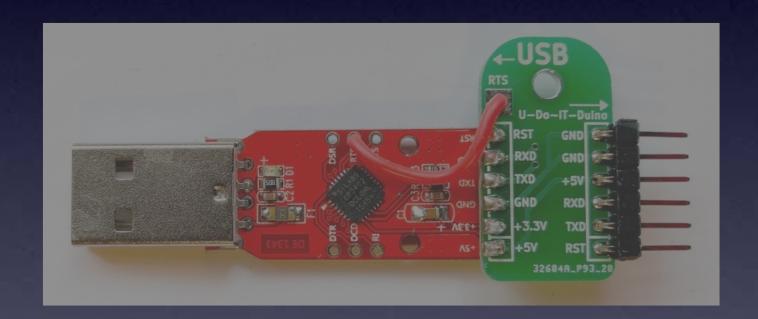
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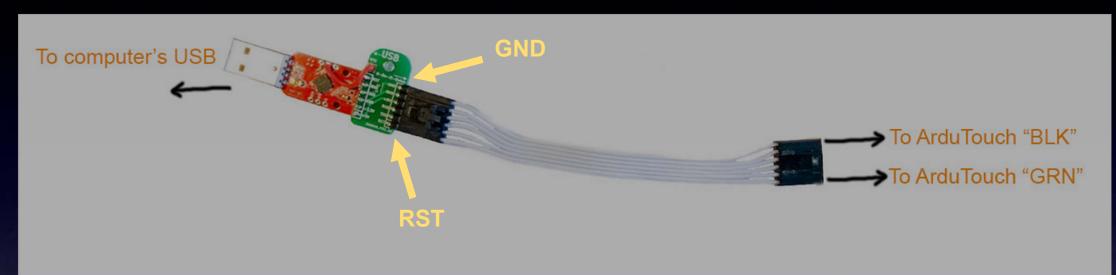
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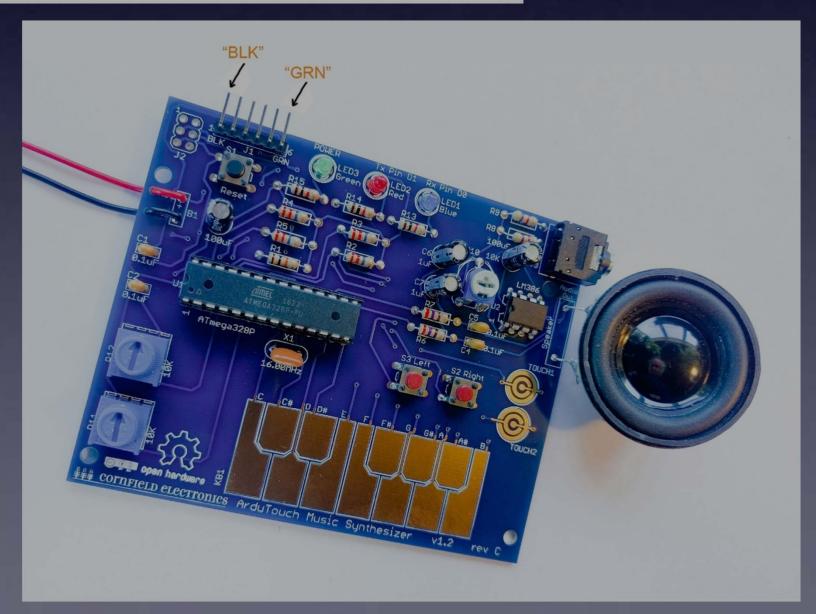
https://www.silabs.com/products/development-tools/software/usb-to-uart-bridge-vcp-drivers



(Old ones)

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After you download and install the Arduino software start it, and you will see a screen that looks like this:

```
sketch_may1a | Arduino IDE 2.1.0
                                                                                                              File Edit Sketch Tools Help
               Arduino Uno
      sketch_may1a.ino
               void setup() {
                 // put your setup code here, to run once:
           5
              void loop() {
                 // put your main code here, to run repeatedly:
           8
           9
         10
                                                                                       Ln 1, Col 1 Arduino Uno [not connected] 🚨
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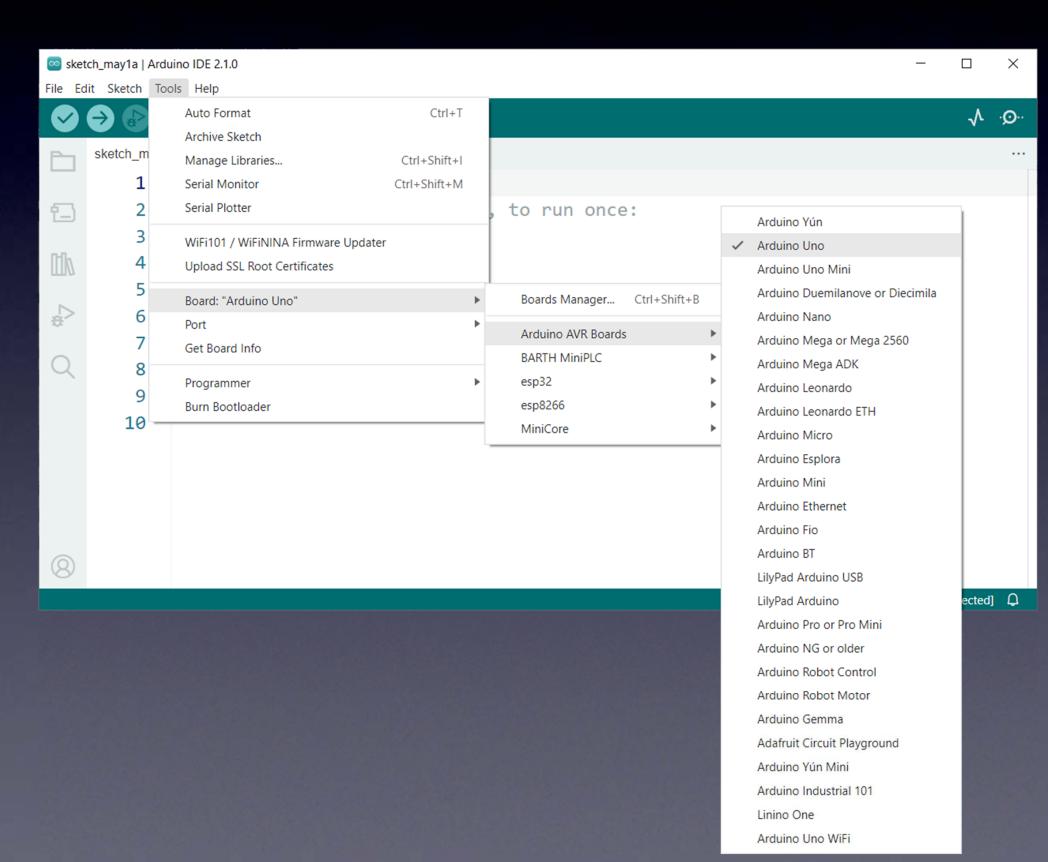
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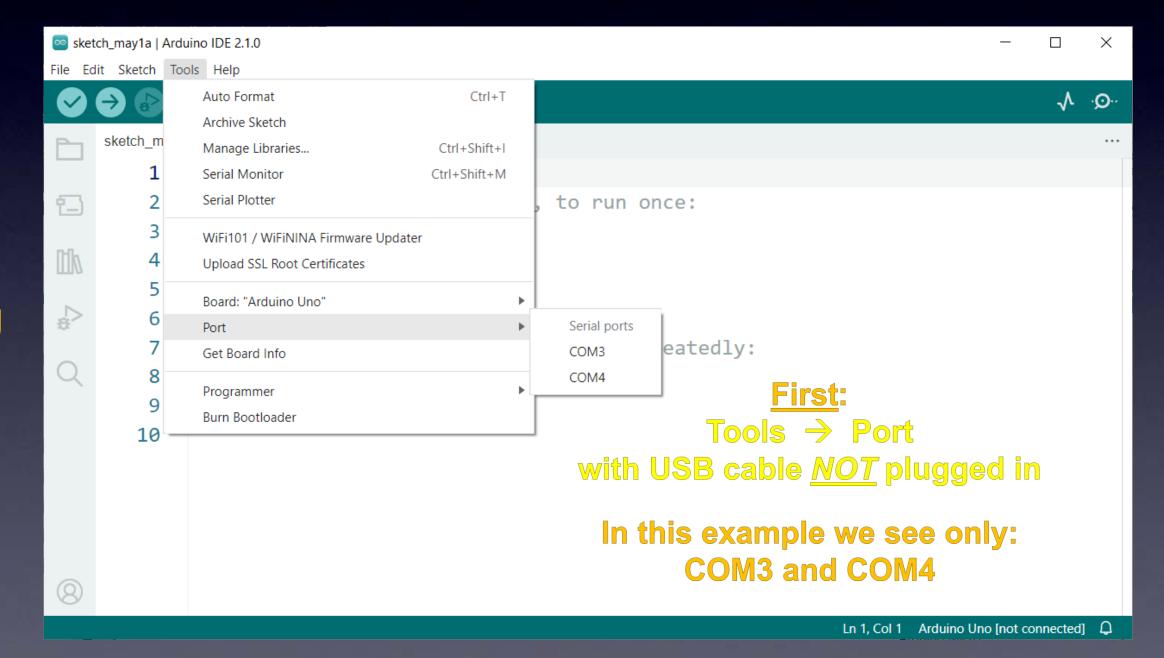
(1) Choose "Uno" as the Board

(Your
ArduTouch board
acts
just like
an
Arduino Uno board)



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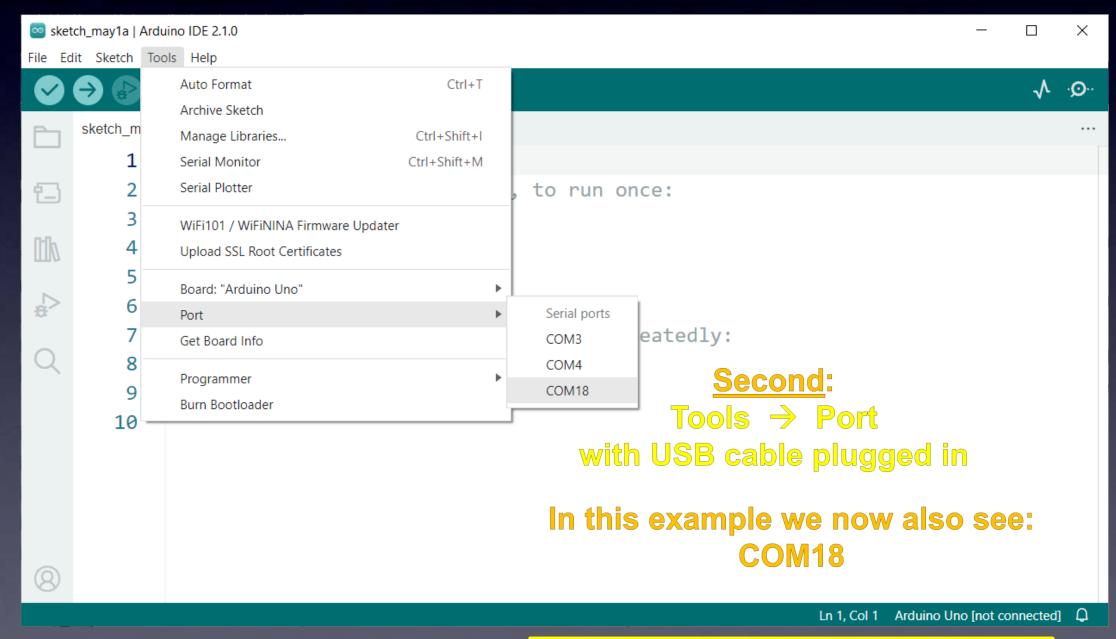
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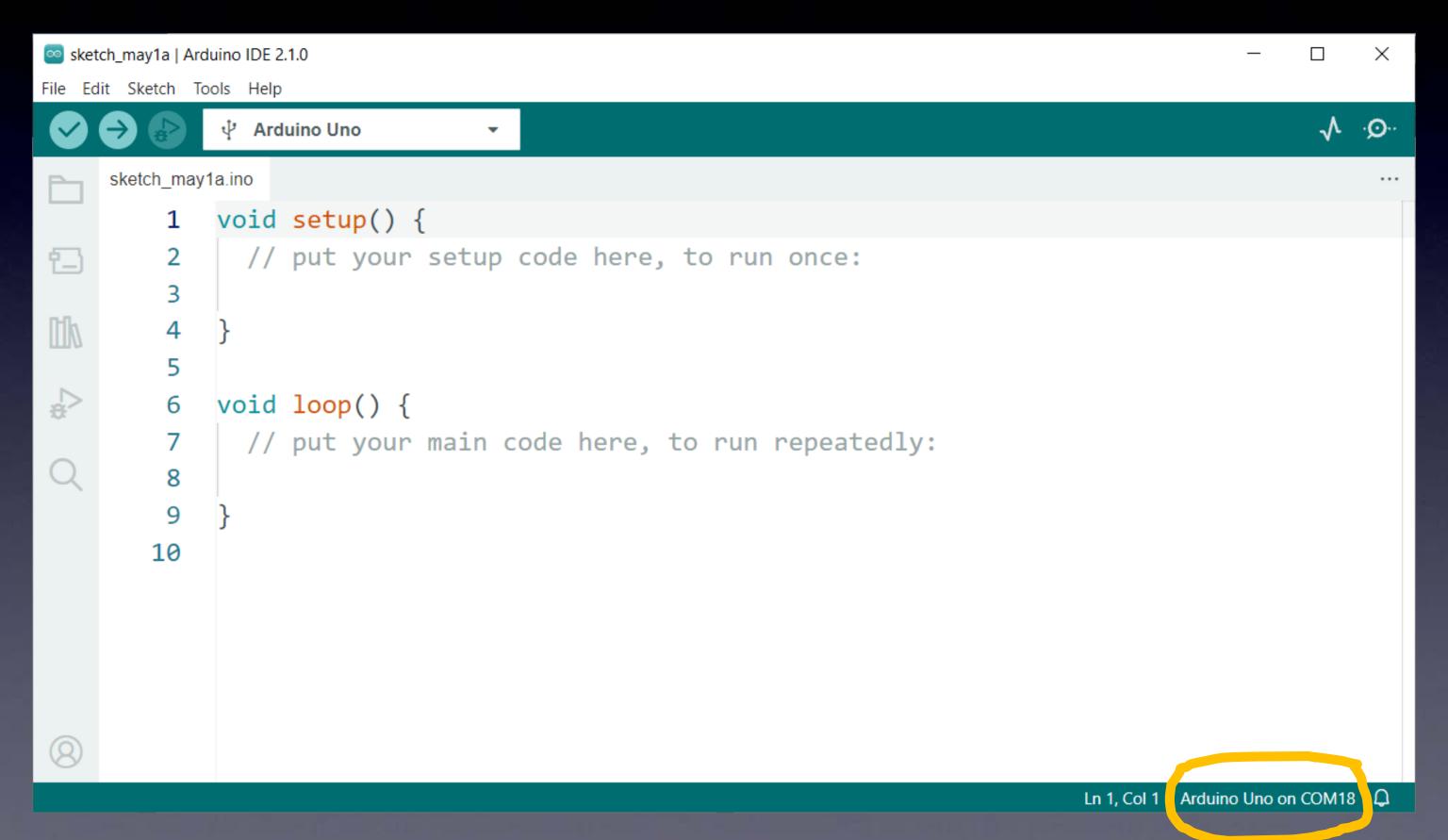
Choose
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(After installing
the driver for
your USB-Serial cable,
and plugging it in,
your operating system
will see a serial port
and it appears here.)

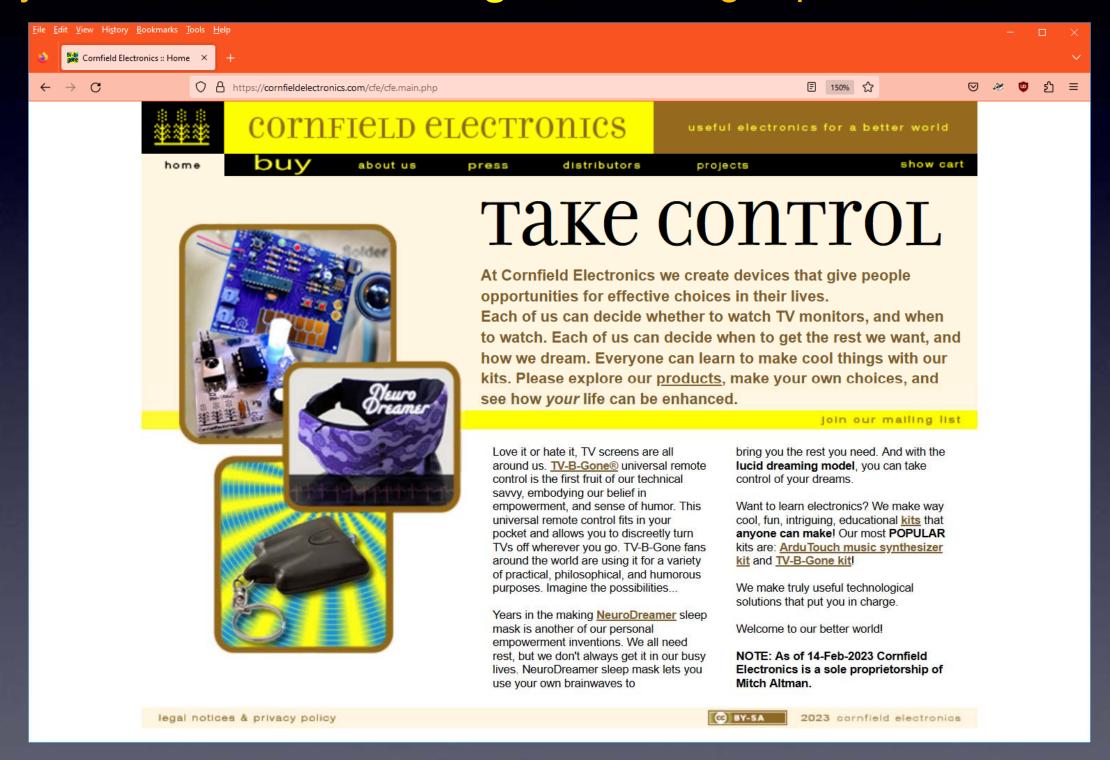


Choose the new port: In this example: COM18

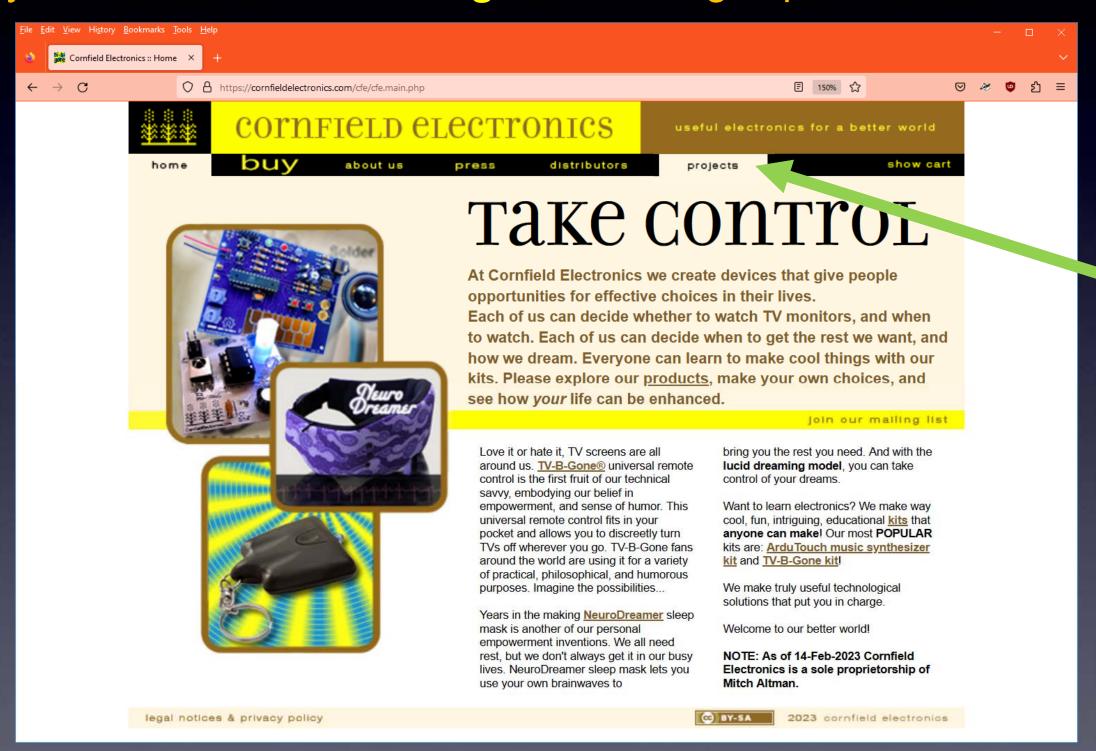
Your Arduino software is almost ready...



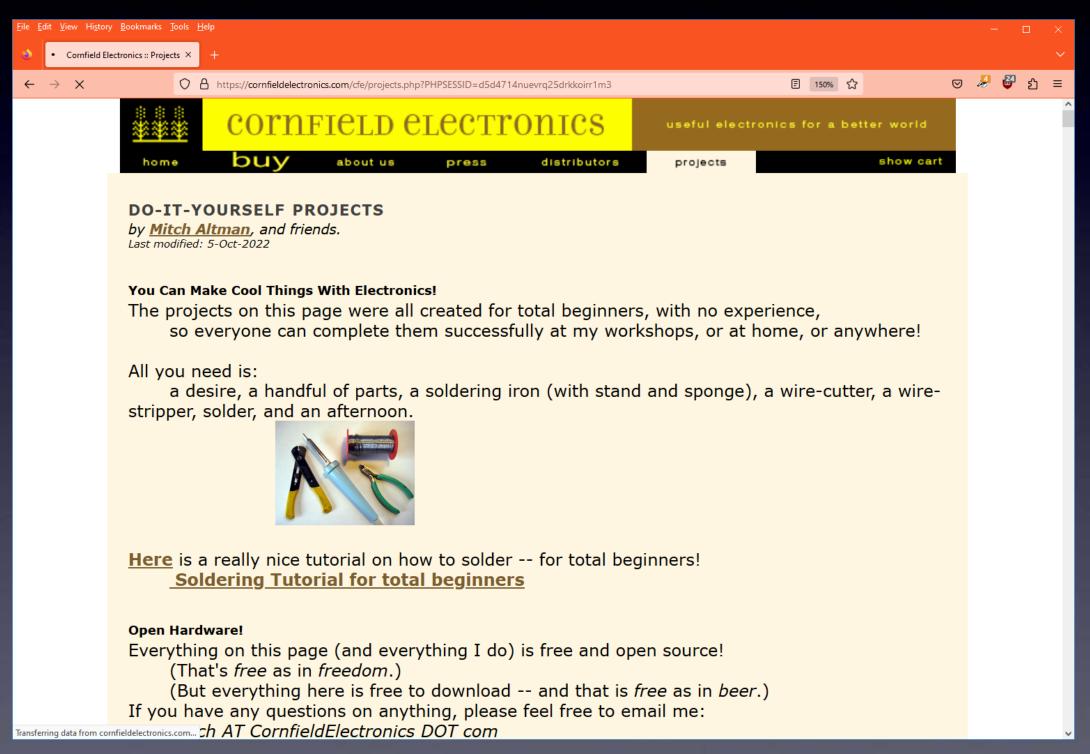
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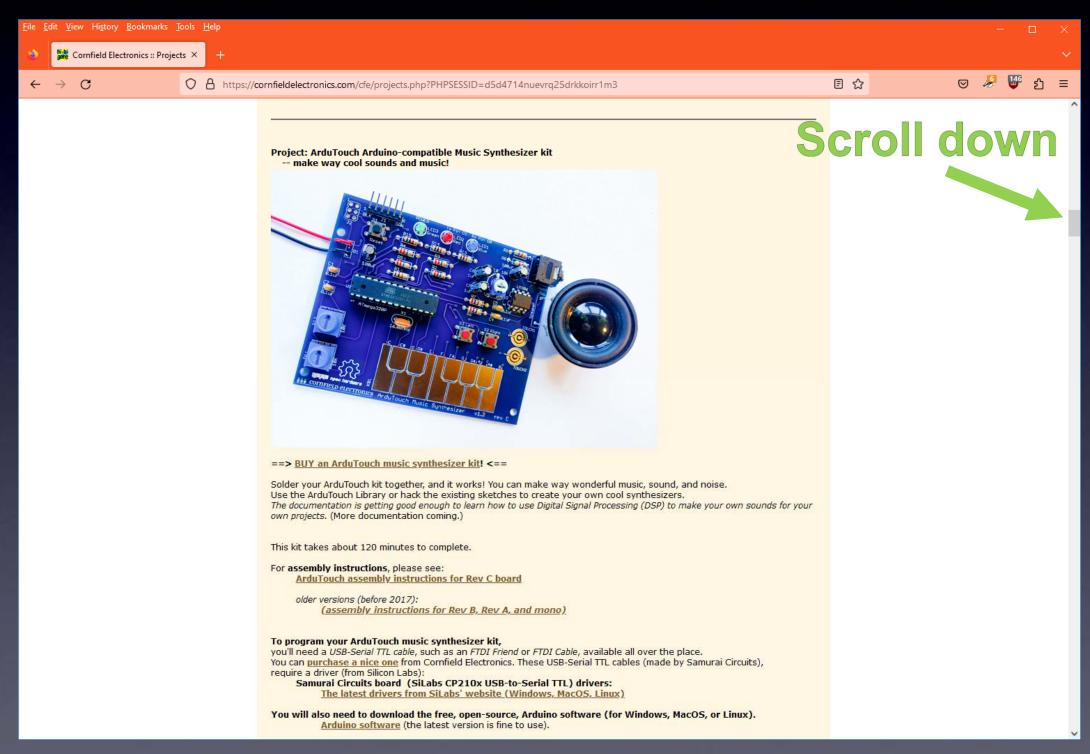
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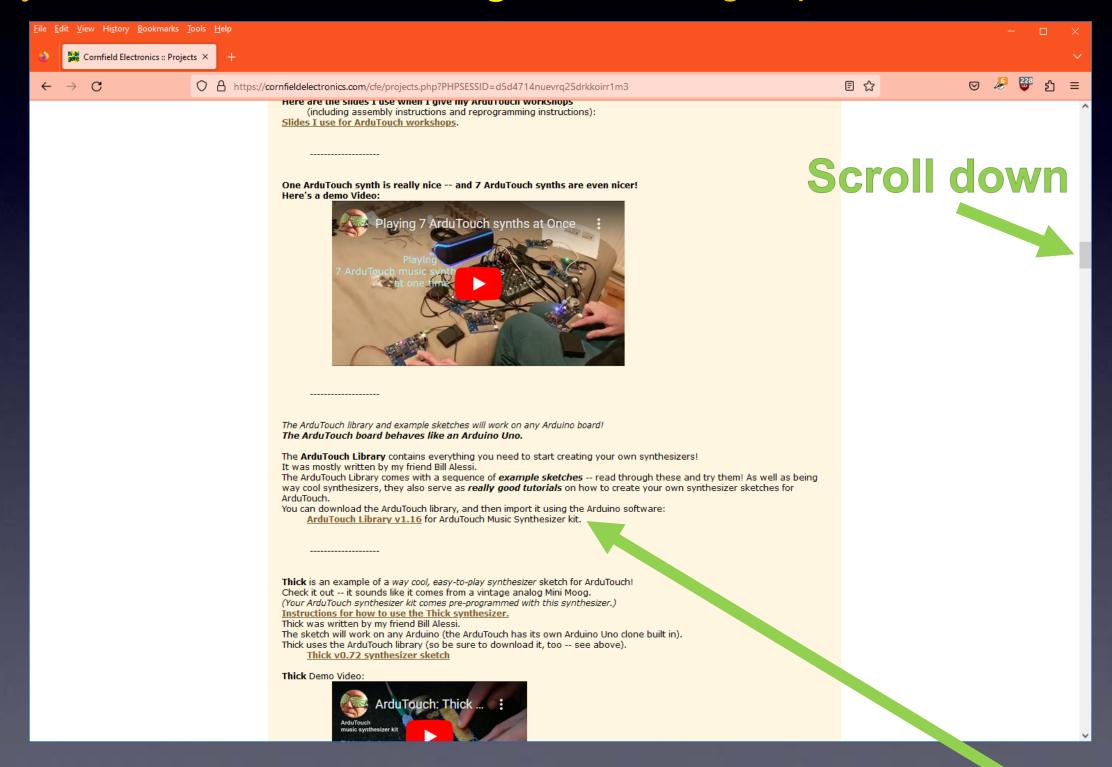
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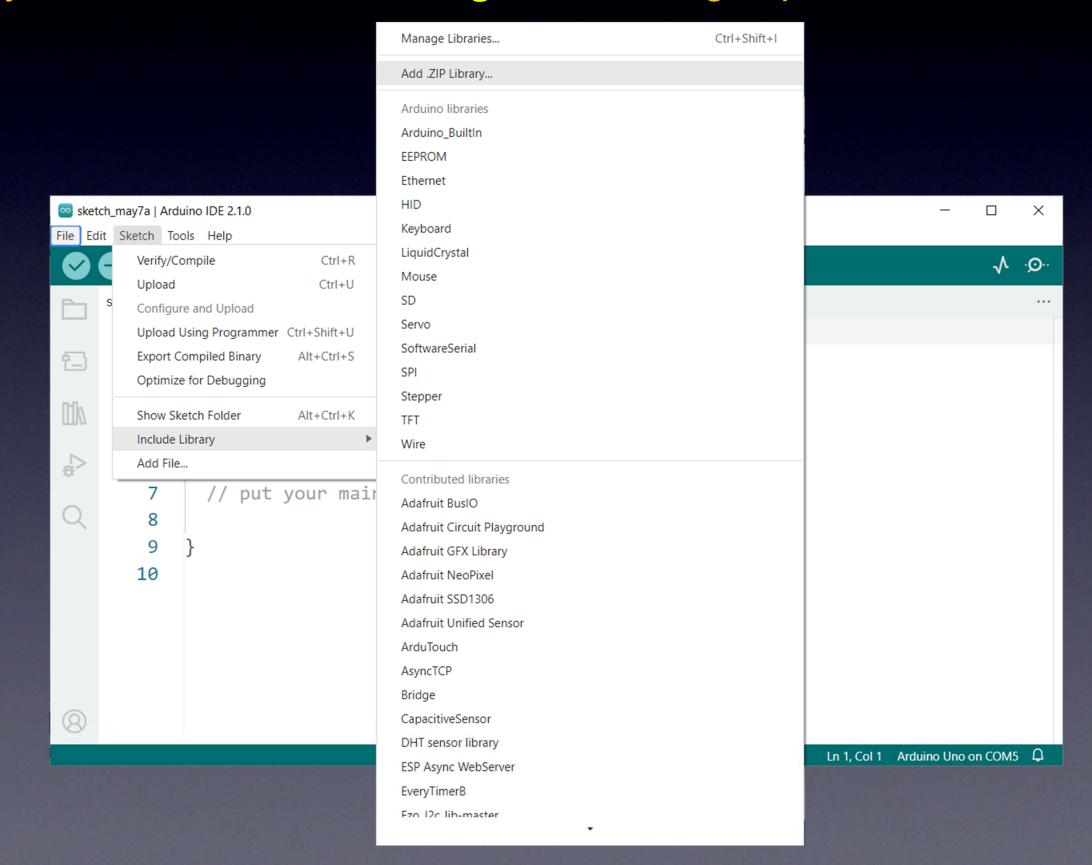
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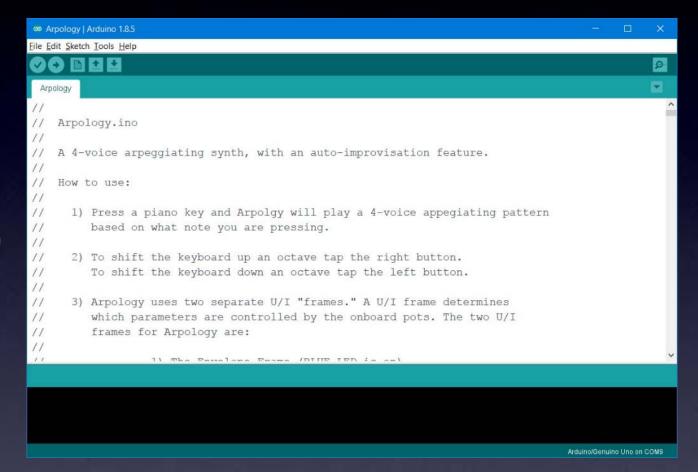


to program a new synth sketch

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Your Arduino software is now ready
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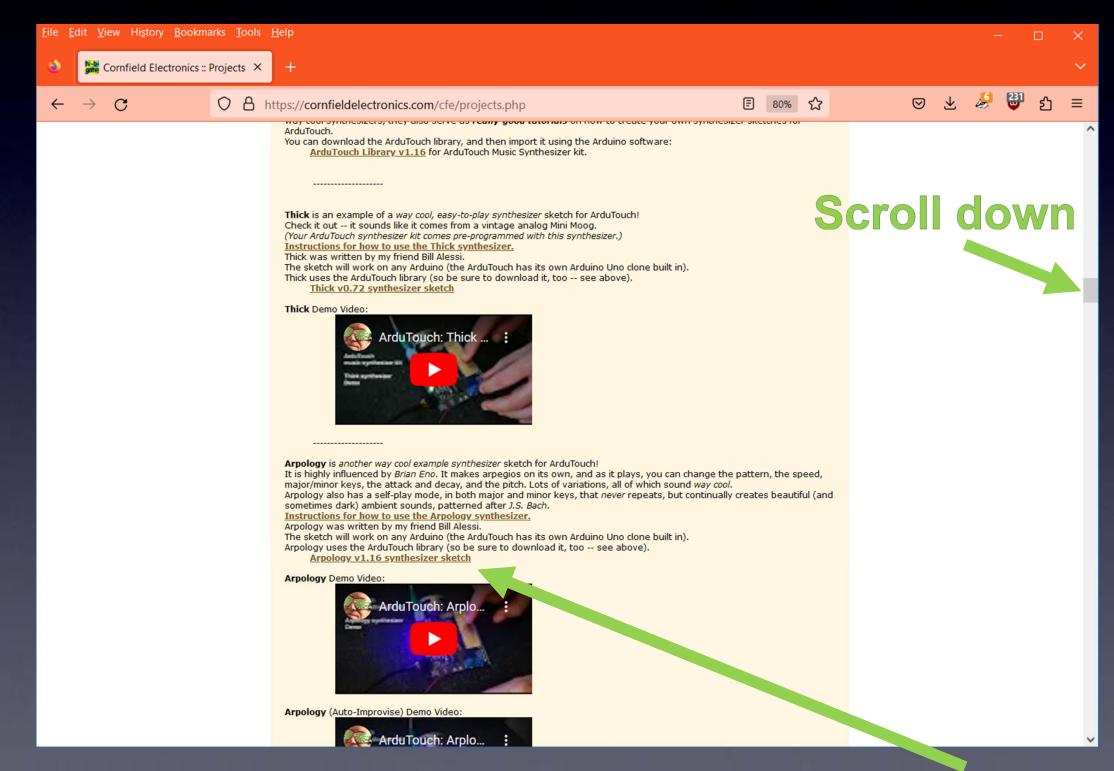
Designed for non-geeky artists

Download
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ArduTouch
synth "sketch"



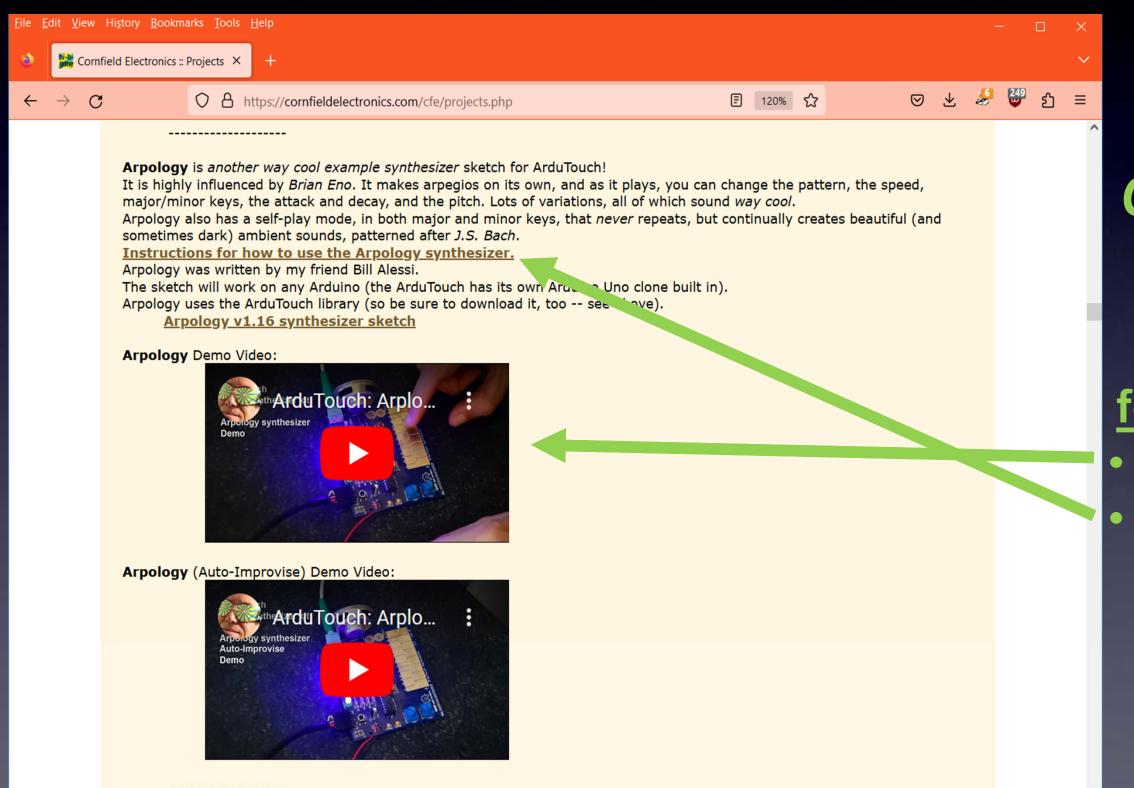
"Sketch":
an Arduino program

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click link to download a synth "sketch"

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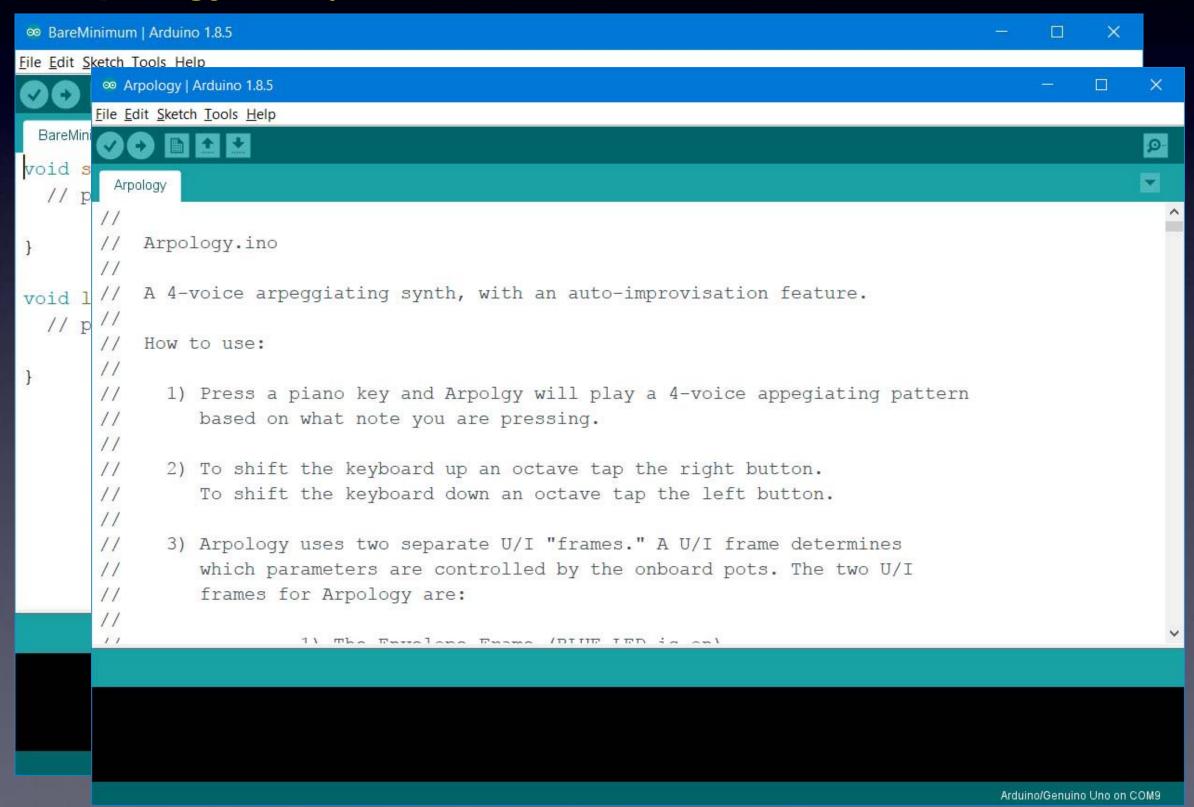
Check it out!

Also available for each synth:

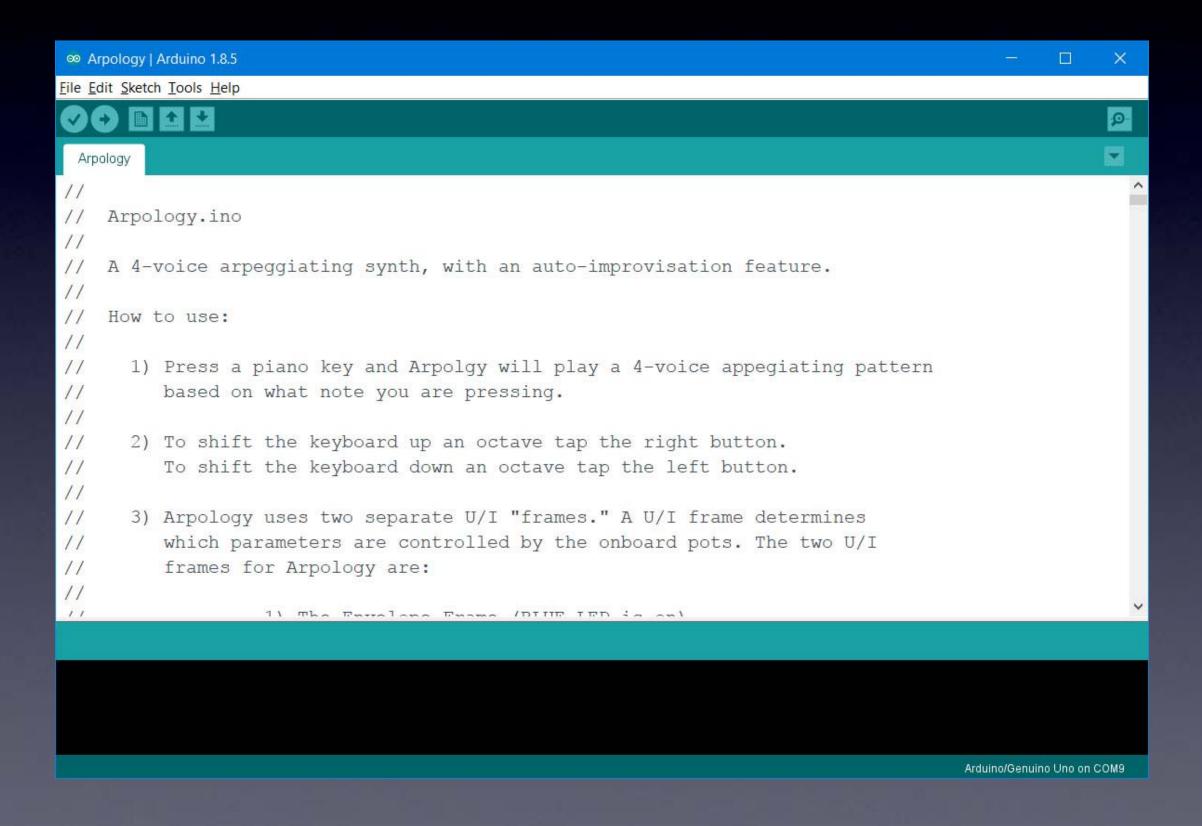
- Demo Videos
- Instructions

You can open the ArduTouch synth sketch: File → Open...

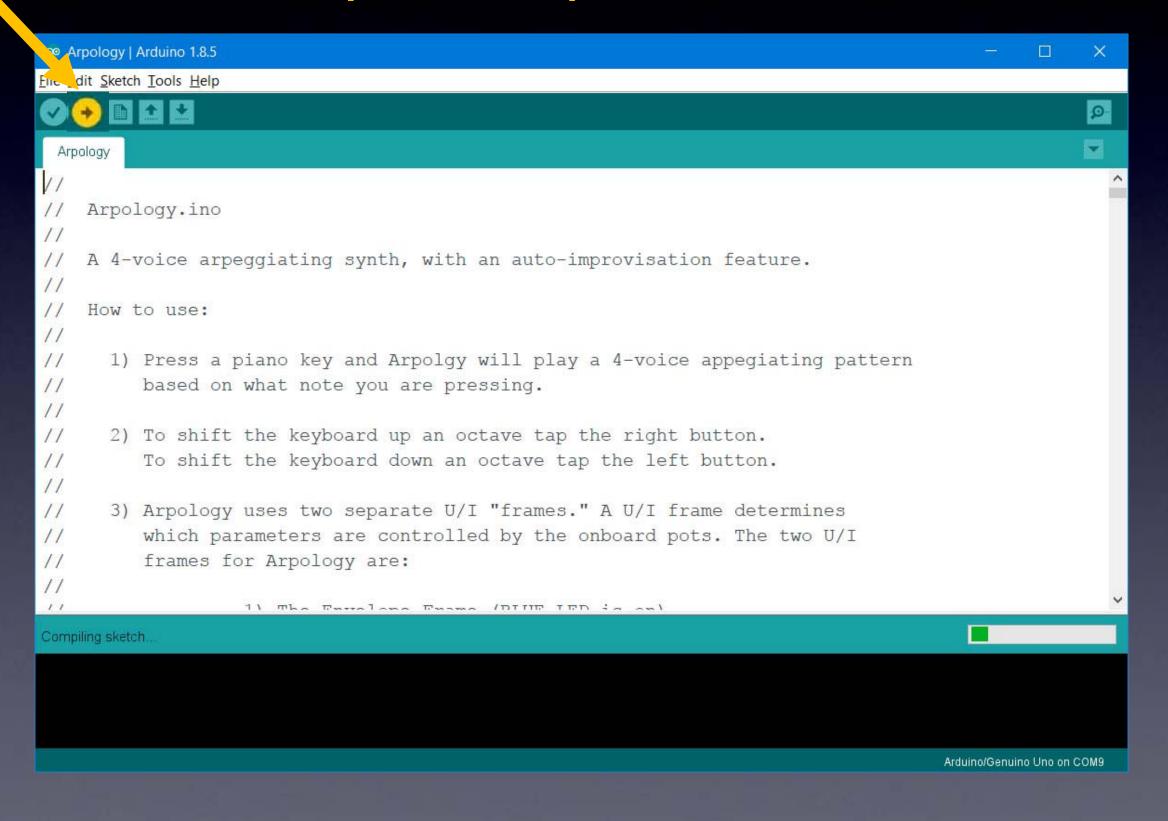
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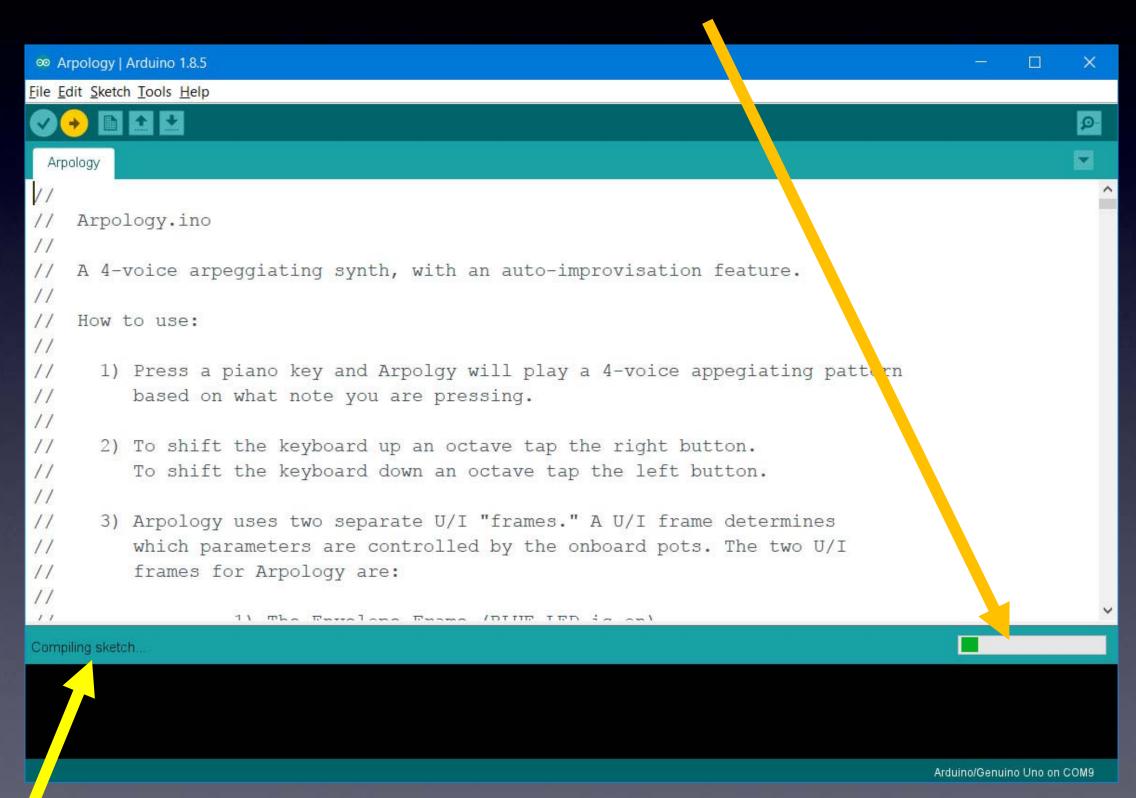
You can now program your ArduTouch with a new synth sketch!



With the USB-Serial cable connected to your ArduTouch board press the Upload button



While uploading, you will see a progress bar...



...and when it's completed successfully, it says: "Upload done"

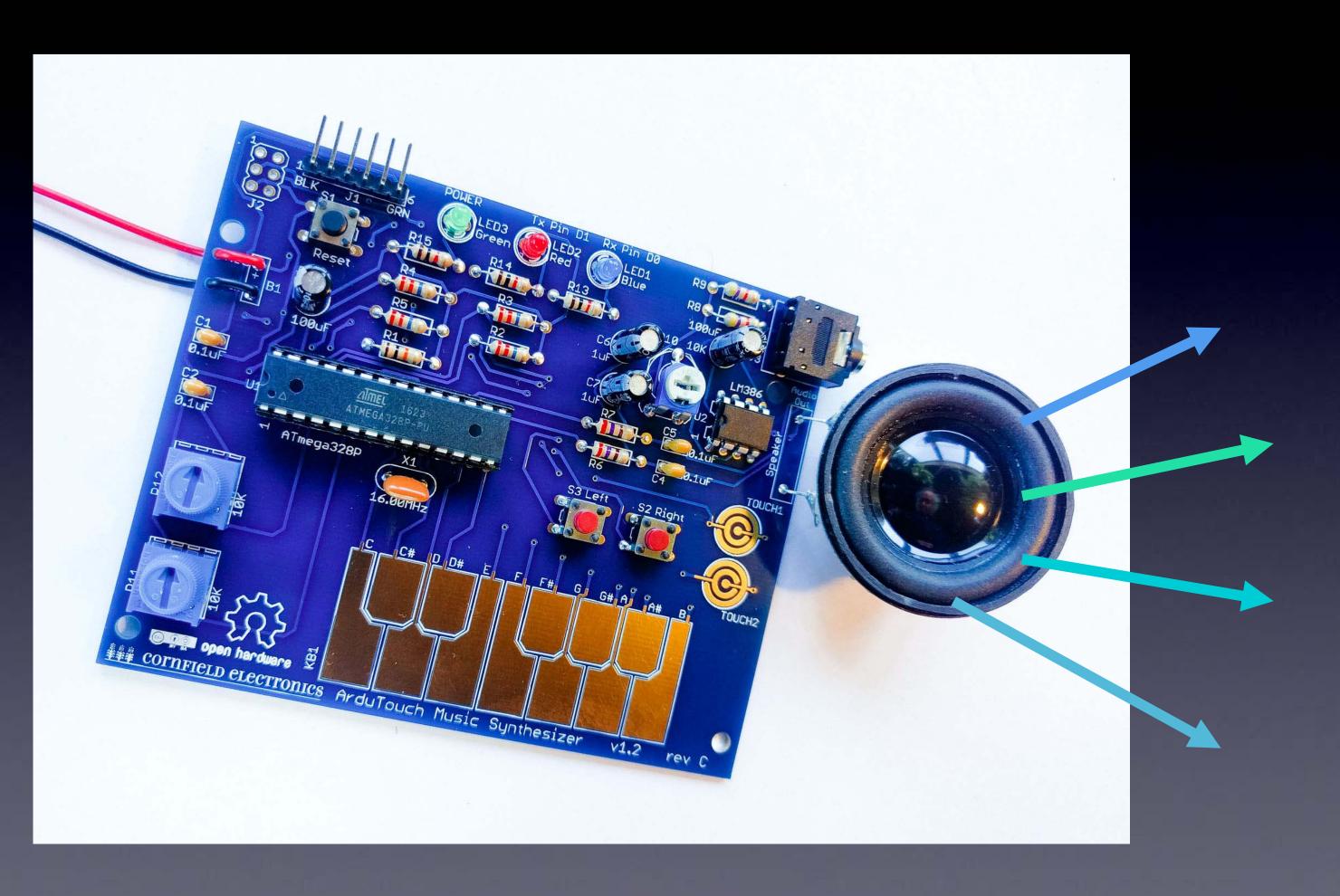
ArduTouch

Disconnect your ArduTouch board from the USB-Serial cable,

turn on your battery pack,

And...

Let's make new noise!

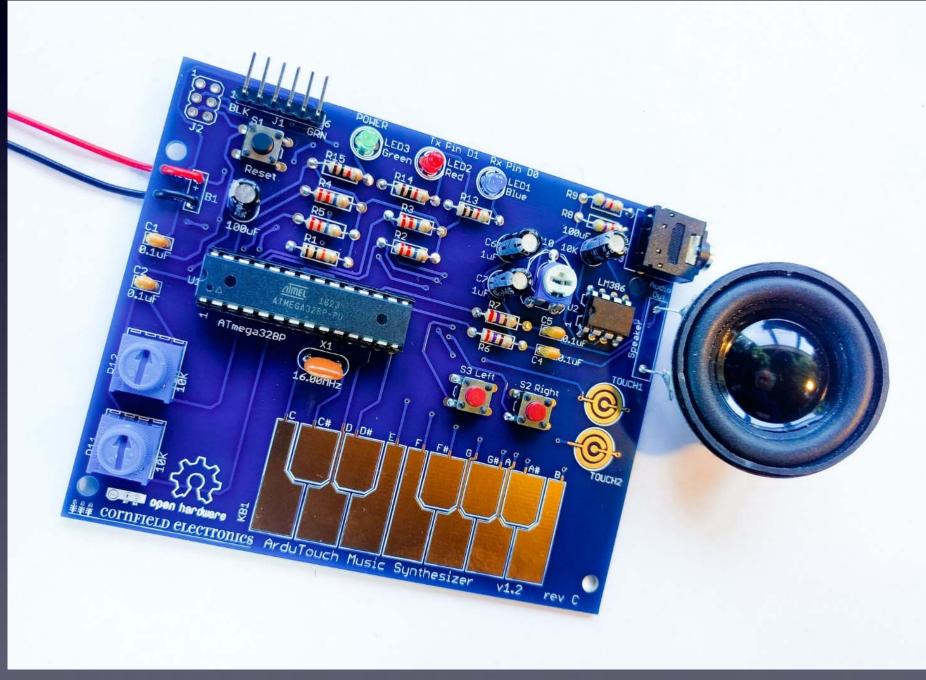


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