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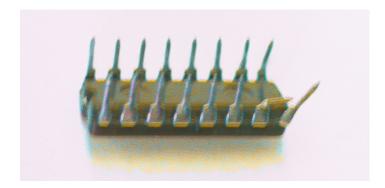
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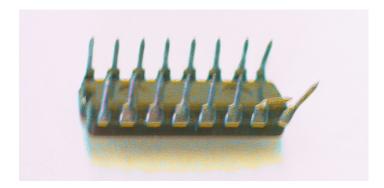


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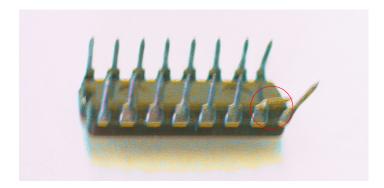


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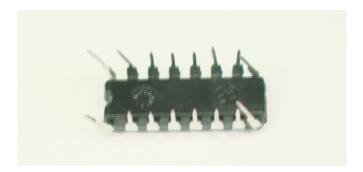


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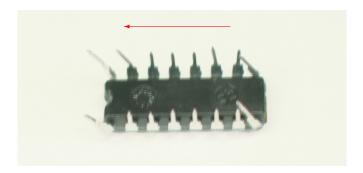
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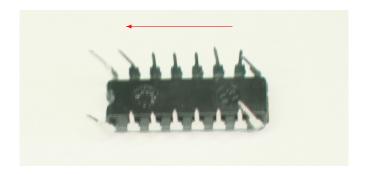


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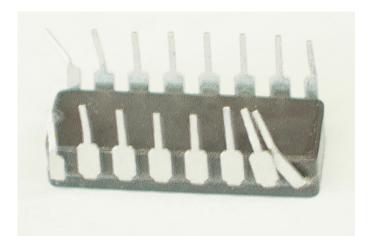


This indicates which way the chip was removed.

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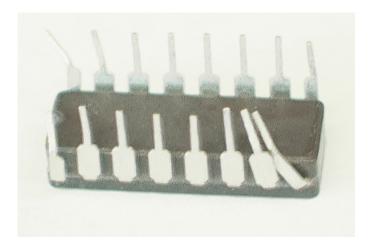
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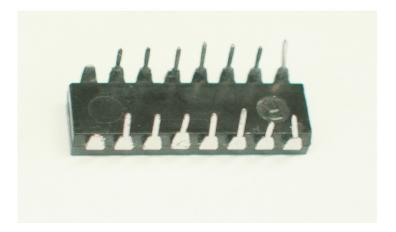


Again, the direction is clear by the way the pins are bent.

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If bent enough, pins may break off when being straightened.

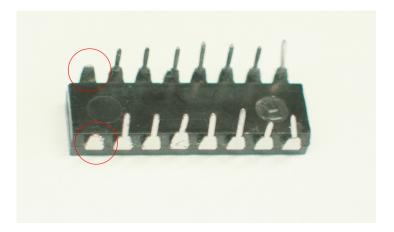


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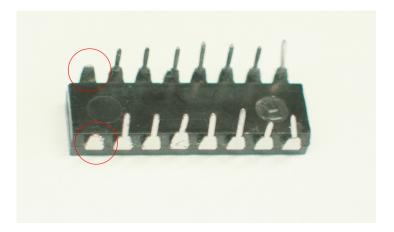


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The chip may still work, but is unusable.

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This is another chip puller.

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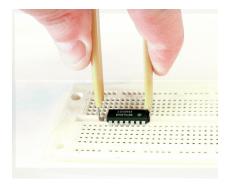
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How to use a chip puller (Step 1):

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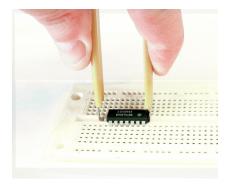


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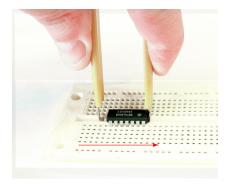


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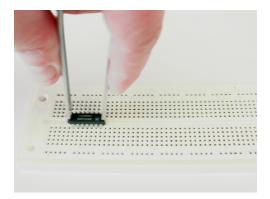


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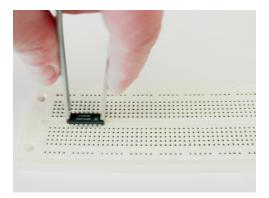


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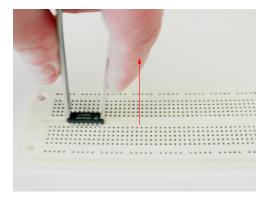


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Summary

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Always use a chip puller to remove a chip from a breadboard or socket.

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