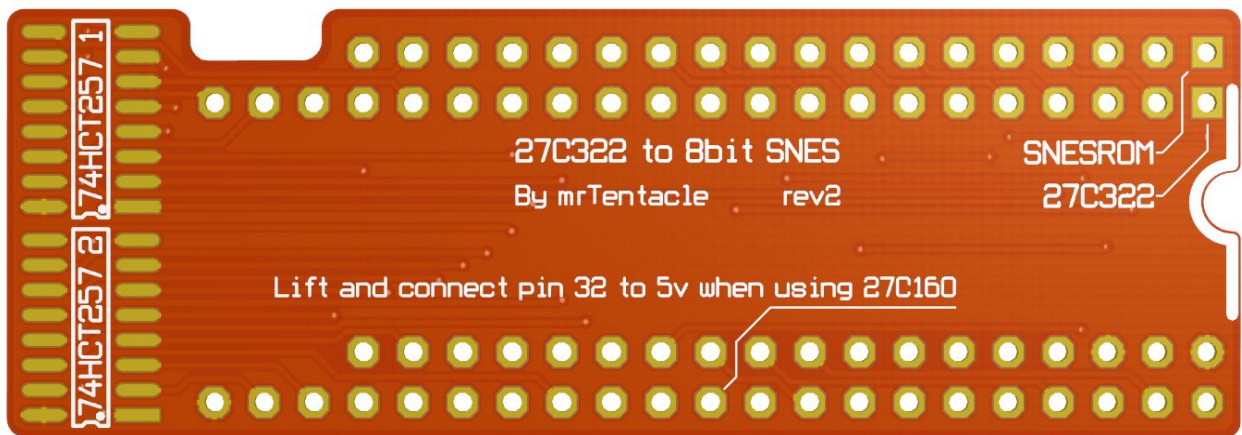


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27c322 to SNES adapter

Instructions

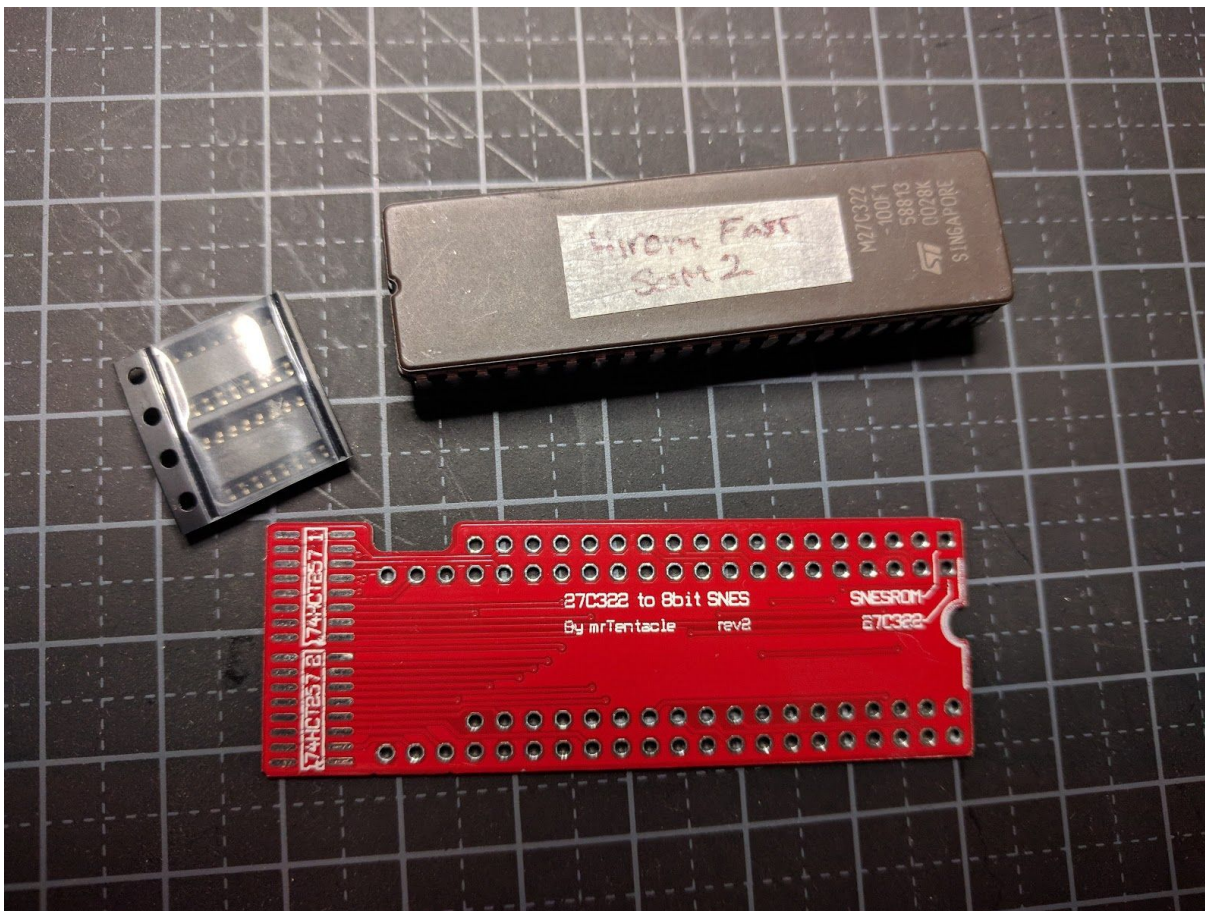


A word of warning, this build is tricky, please keep in mind that the adapter pcb is extremely thin, breaking it is a real possibility. Trimming everything down is very important, space in snes shells are very limited.

Be prepared to make a few until you get it right.

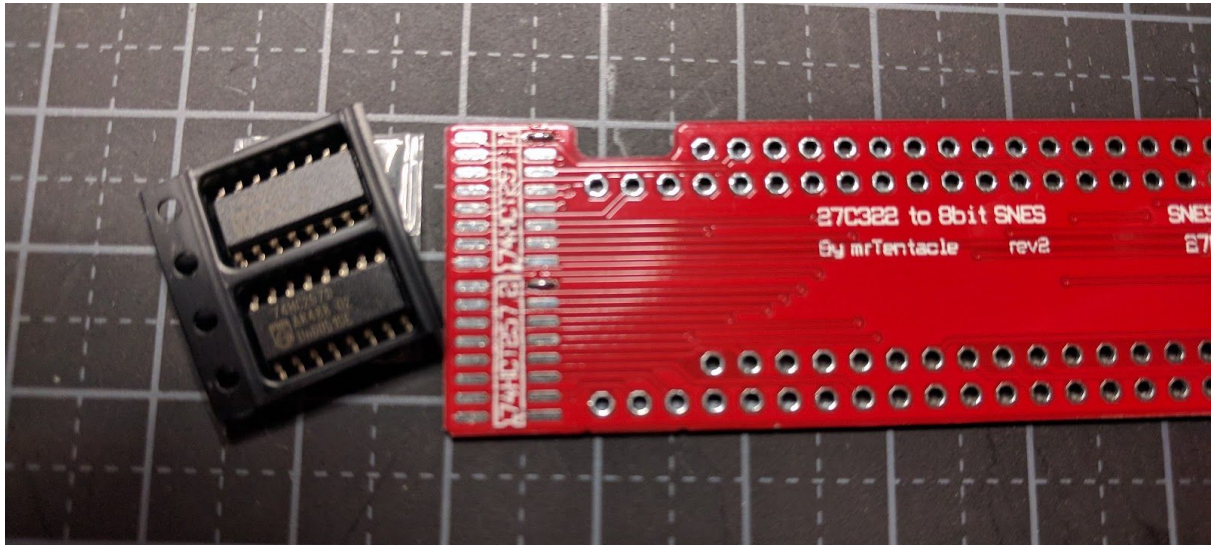
Components needed:

- Preprogrammed 27c322 chip, 27c160 chips are supported, see [page 7](#)
- 2x 74hc257
- 2x 1x18 header pins
- Nice flush cutters
- A sheet of perf board

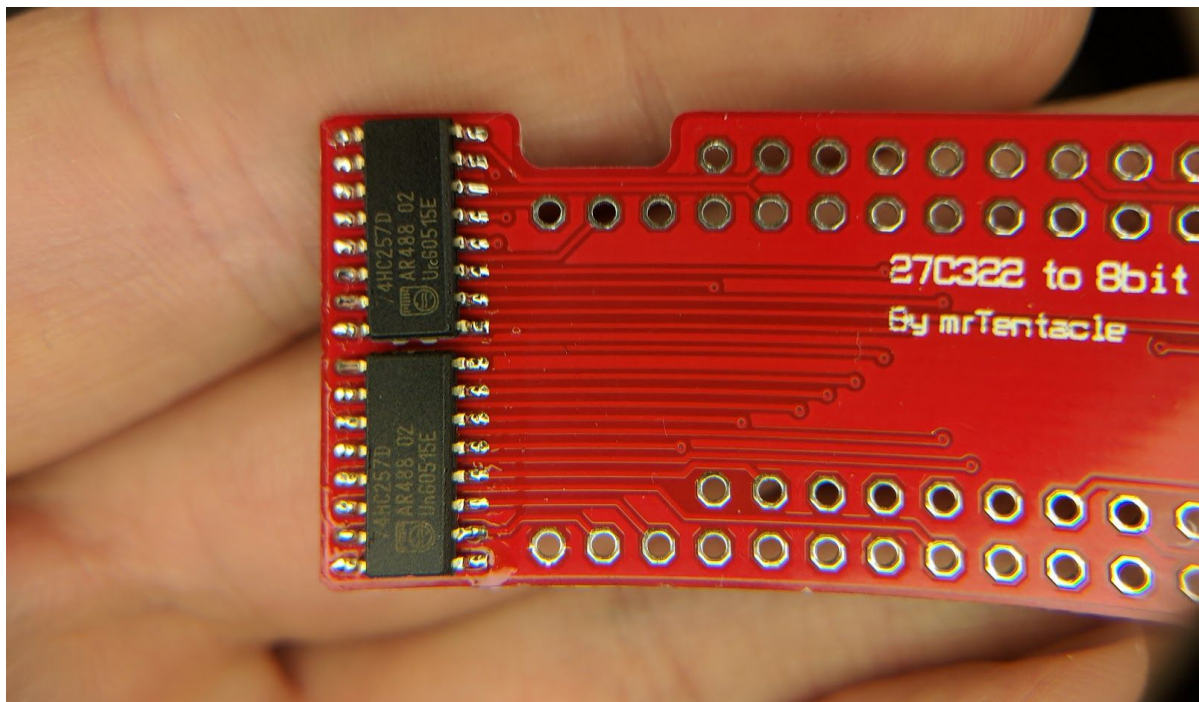


Solder the two 74hc254s

Tack down one leg on each chip, solder the rest of the legs



Orientation and a closer look on the soldered chips

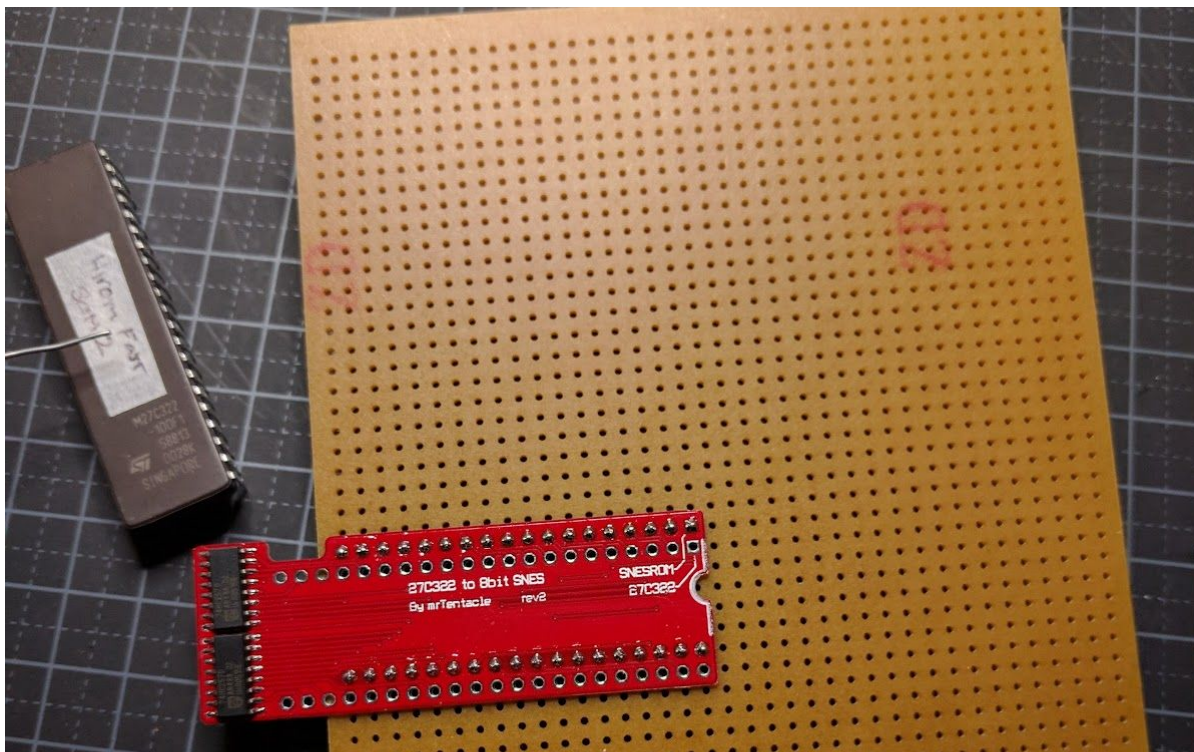
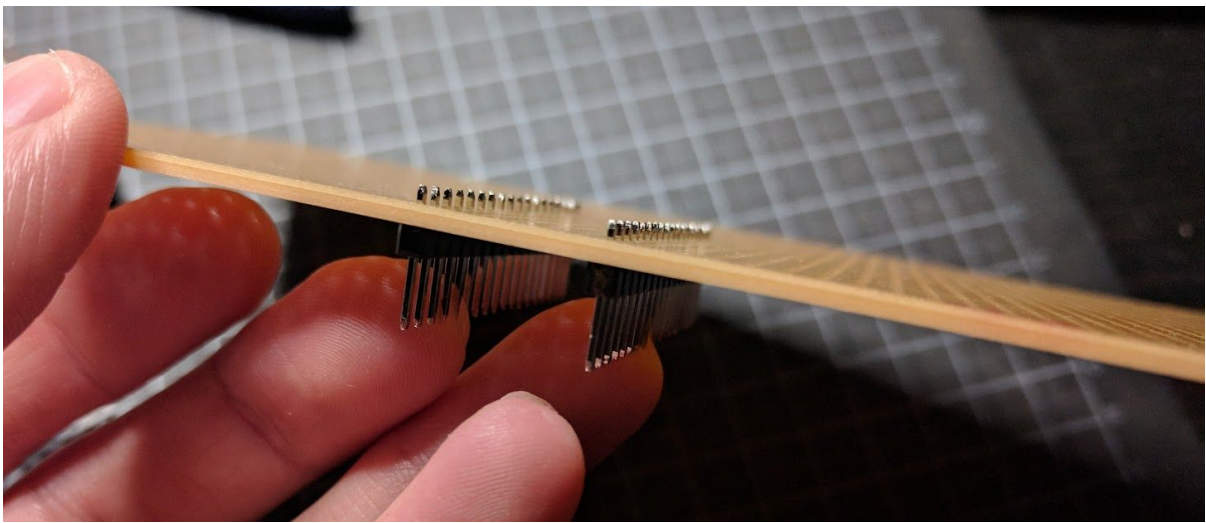


Solder pins to the adapter

This may seem weird, but it works very well. **Thanks KML!**

We are doing this to be able to remove the black plastic from the pin headers.

1. Place the pin headers under a piece of perfboard, see photo
2. Stack the adapter on top. Header pins on the bottom, perfboard in the middle and adapter on top.
3. Make sure to place the headers in the correct holes, the two shorter rows
4. Note that the header pins don't stick out more than absolutely necessary on the top.
5. Solder the pin headers to the adapter pcb

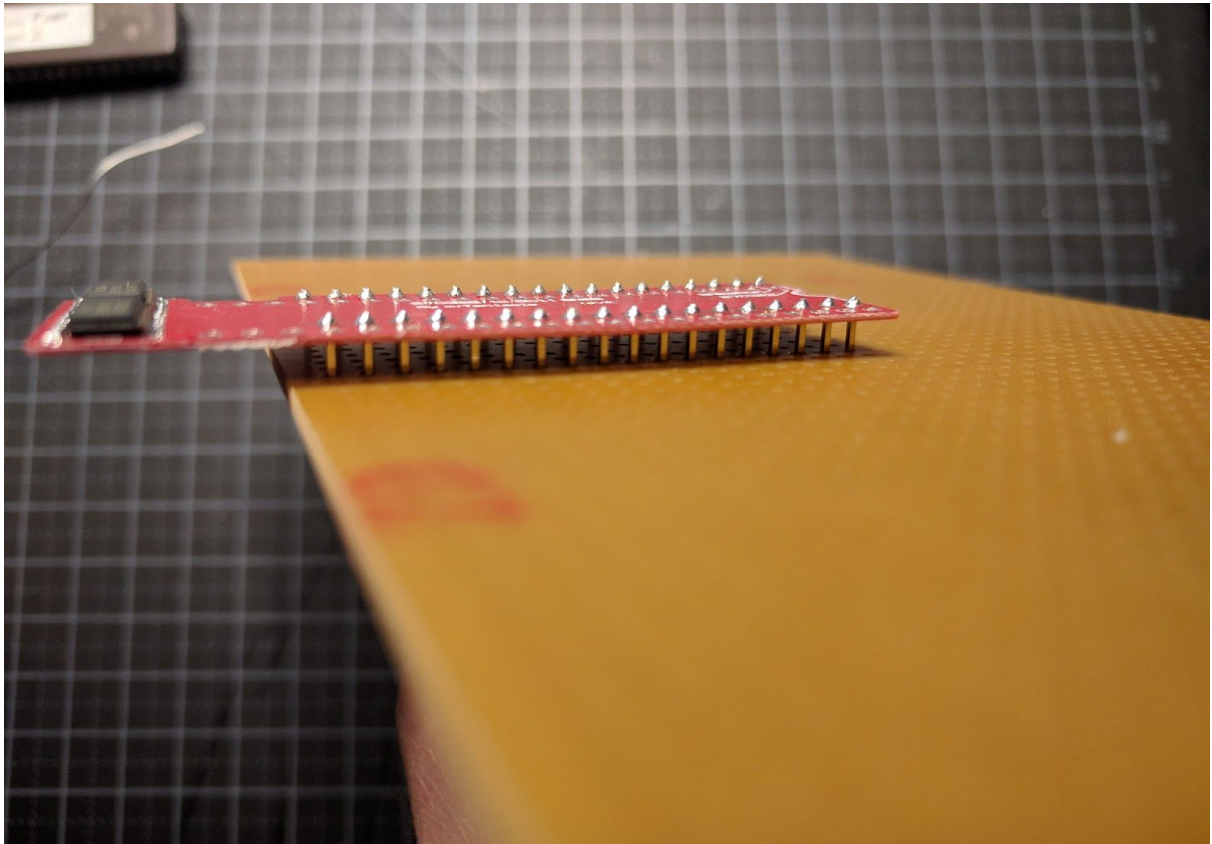


Removing the black spacer plastic from the header pins

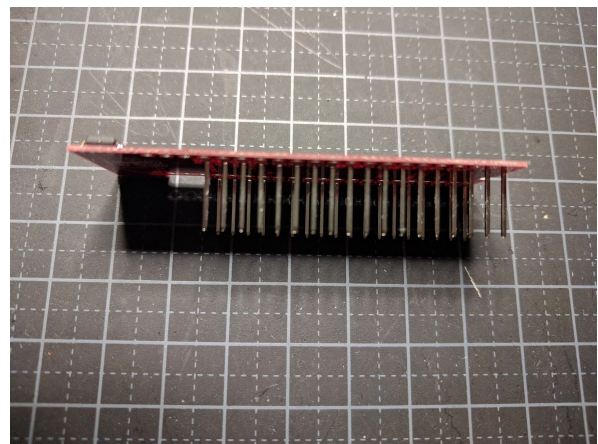
This is very important, with the plastic still in place the chip and adapter won't fit in a snes cartridge shell.

With the adapter stuck to the perfboard

Press down on the perfboard, moving the plastic down on the header pins

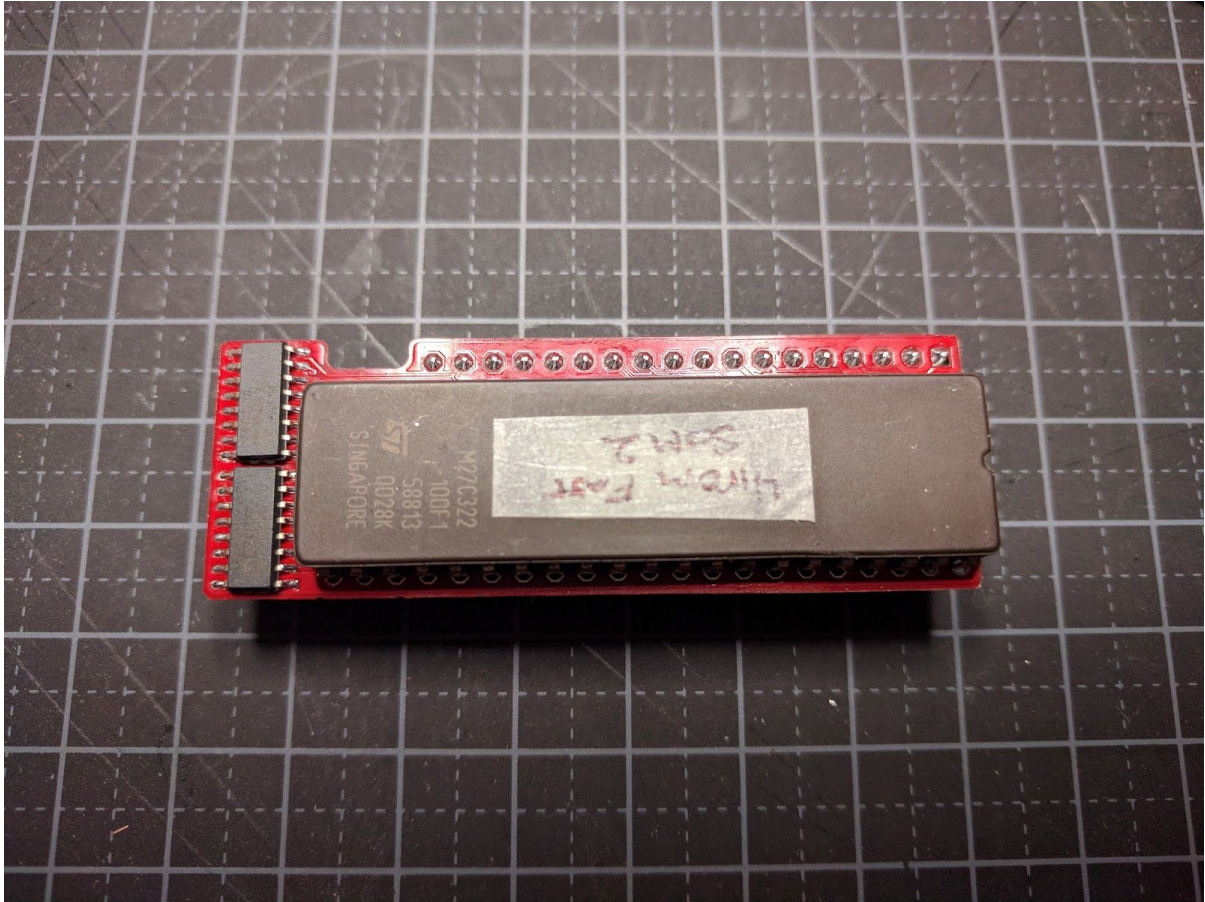


It takes a bit of force to get it going, when the plastic reaches the end simply pull them off

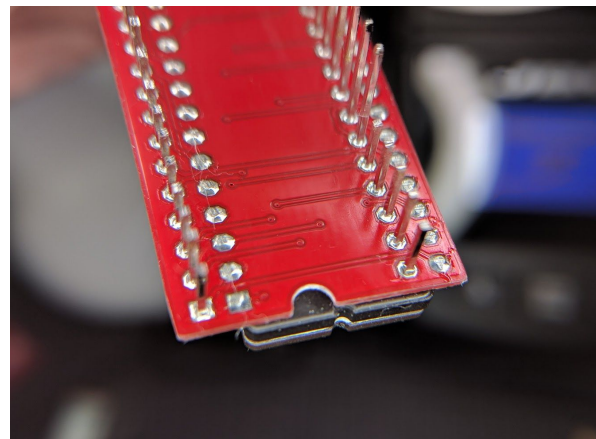
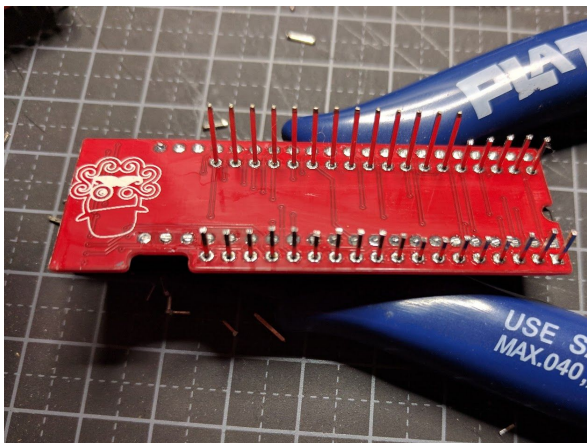


Adding the 27c322 chip

Place the 27c322 chip in the adapter and solder from the underside

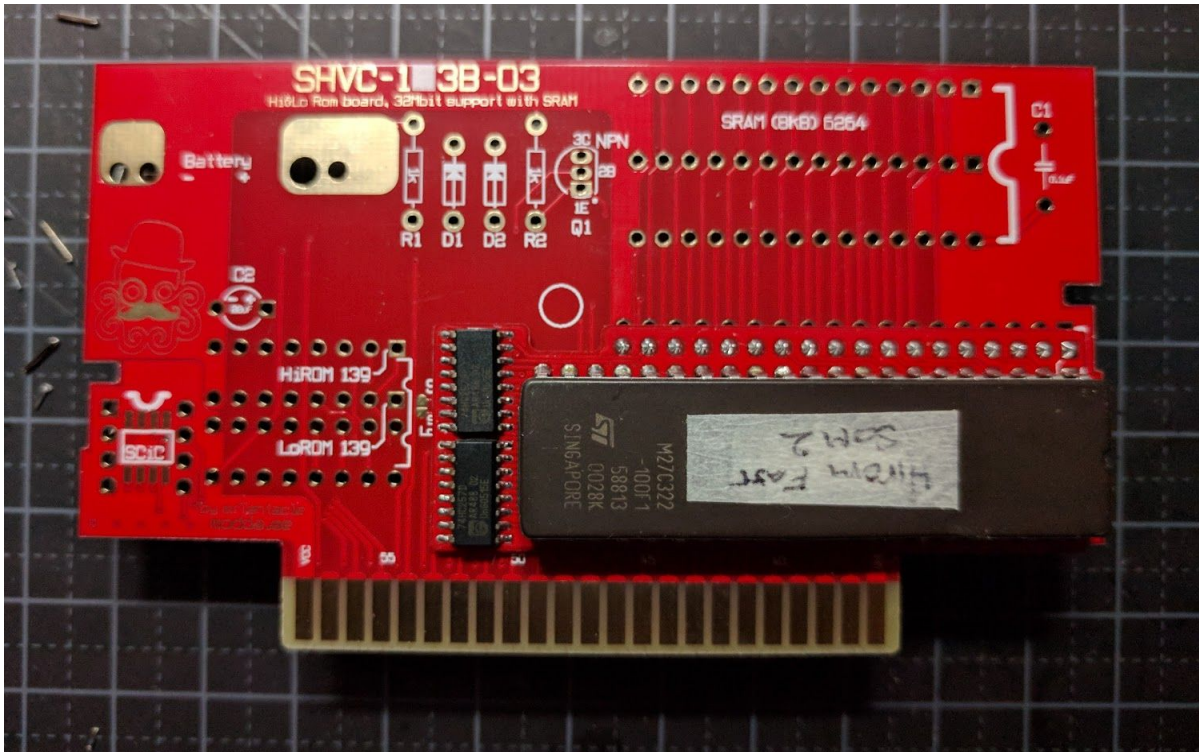


Trim down the pins on the 27c322, you also need to trim down one row of the header pins and a few on the other side

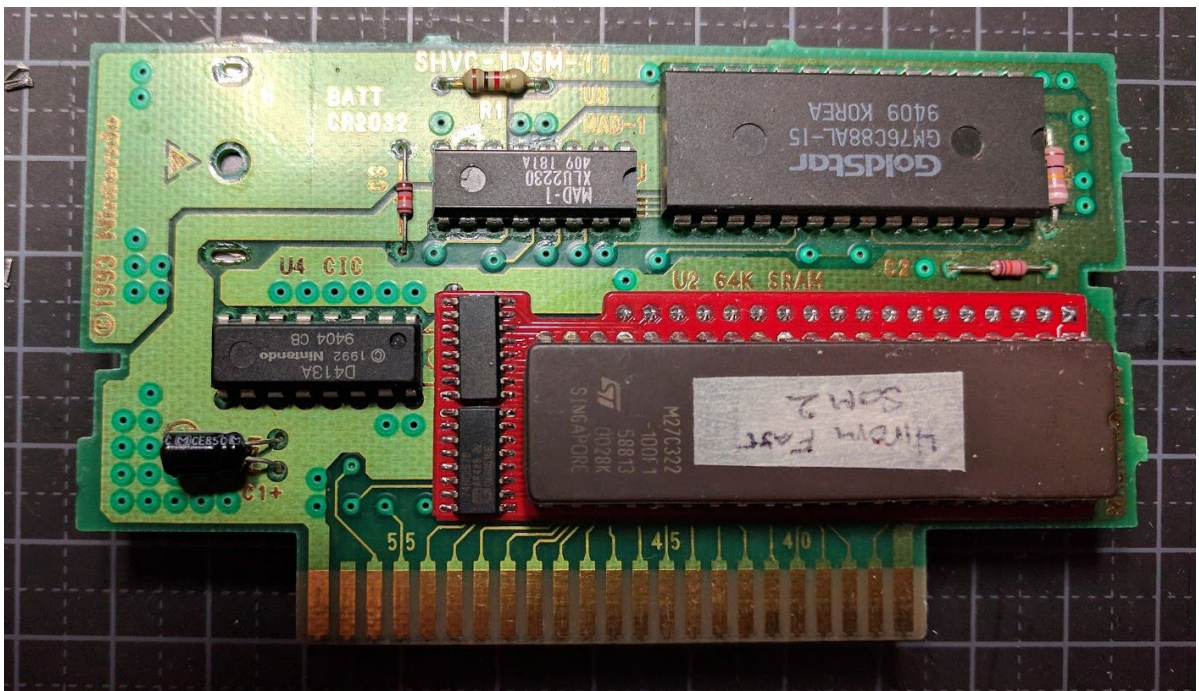


Solder the adapter on snes cartridge pcb

On my repro board



On standard SNES board, should fit most boards, on this revision I had to move a capacitor to the back of the SNES pcb



Notes on using 27c160

27c160 chips do work in the adapter as well, a few modification is needed.

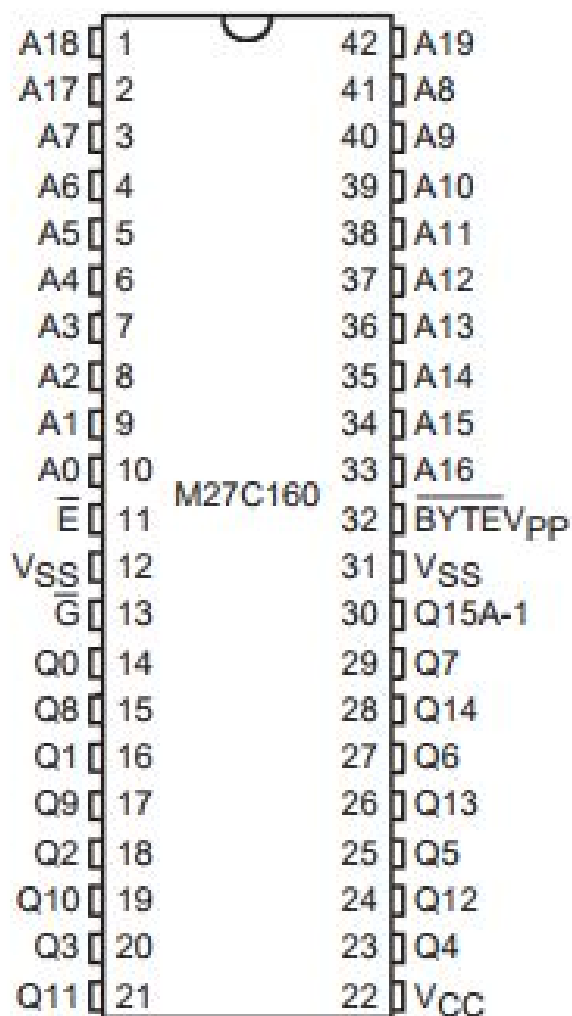
Pin 32 of the memory chip needs to be attached to VCC (5v), the nearest vcc line is on the same chip, pin 22

1. Bend up pin 32, and then solder the chip as normal. Leaving 32 unconnected.
2. Solder a wire onto pin 32 that isn't attached to anything and then solder the other end onto pin 22 which is VCC (5v)

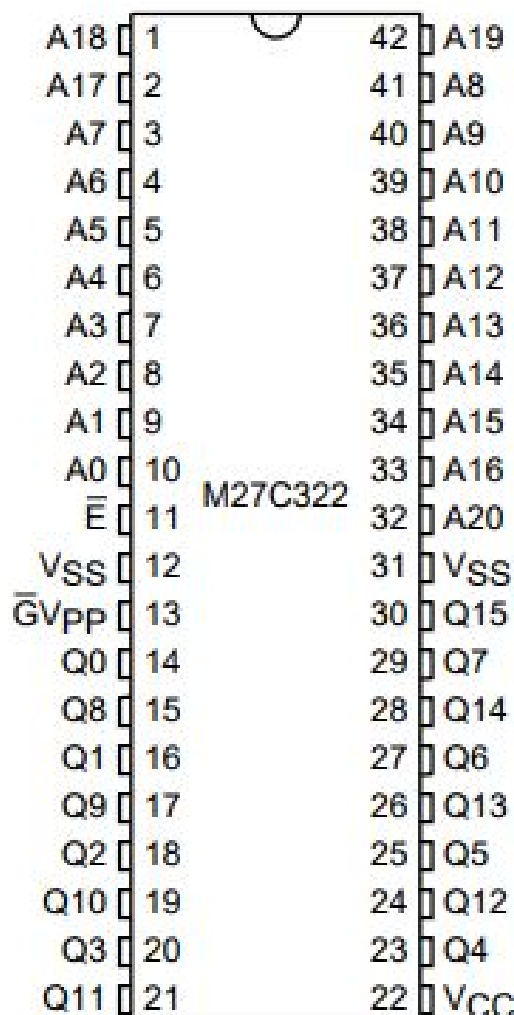
Theory

The 27c160 have an optional 8bit mode that isn't supported by the adaptor, the two 74hc254 converts the 16bit bus to a 8bit bus.

16 vs 8bit output is set by pulling pin 32 BYTEVpp either high or low, we need the chip to be in 16bit mode, therefore we pull the pin high by connecting it to VCC (5v)



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