How to train your Minions

Because the only thing necessary for Marketing to triumph is that good Geeks do nothing



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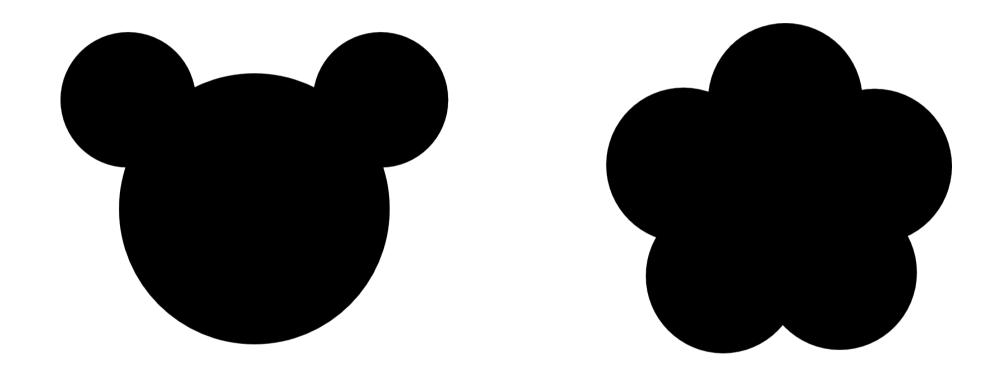
- Father
- Geek
- Open Source/Hardware advocate
- Akela
- Canteen/Fete/Reading Volunteer
- One Geek per Classroom

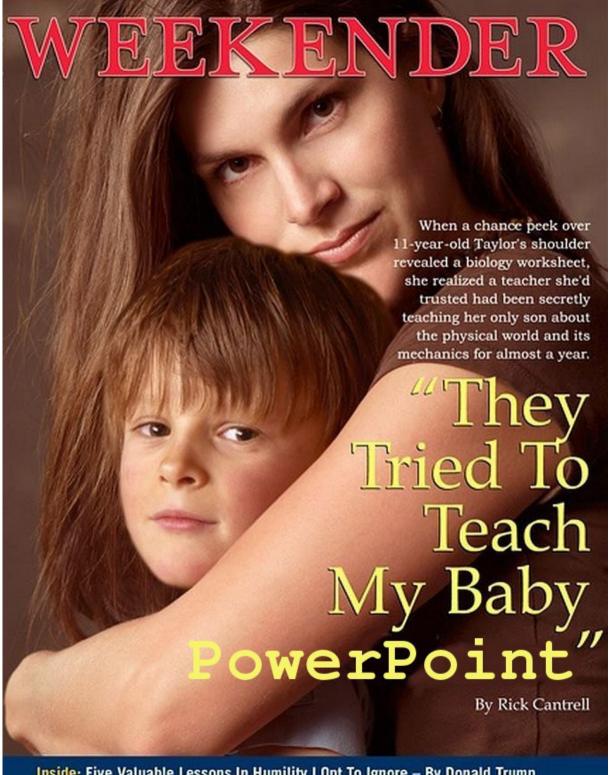
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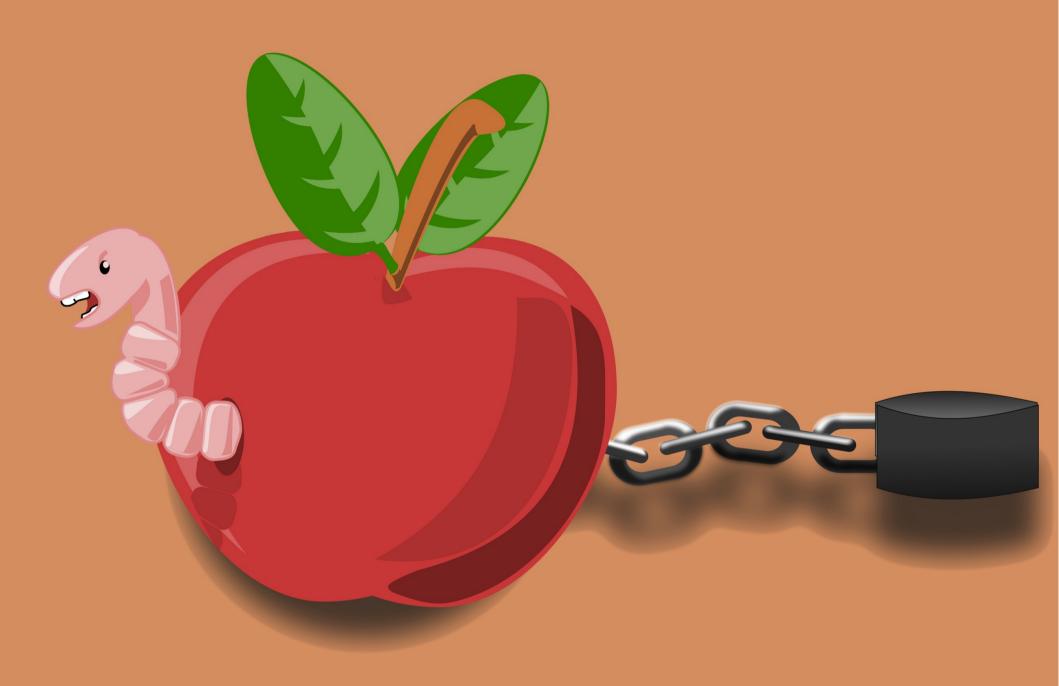
why?

- Widening understanding gap
- Technology == Magic
- Computers with custom IO
 - Enabled and limited by software
- Education
 - HOW rather than WHAT/WHY
 - Outcomes vs Exploring





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HowTo = Luck

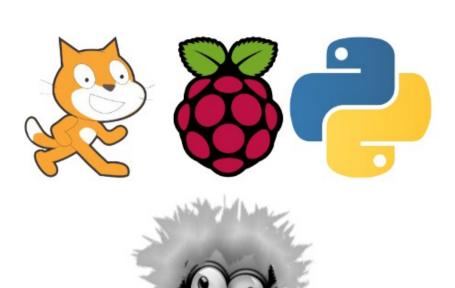
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- Henchpersons
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HowTo = Luck = Preparation + Opportunity

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Geeklings

- BYO
- Friends with kids
- Poaching
- Bring a friend
- Word of mouth





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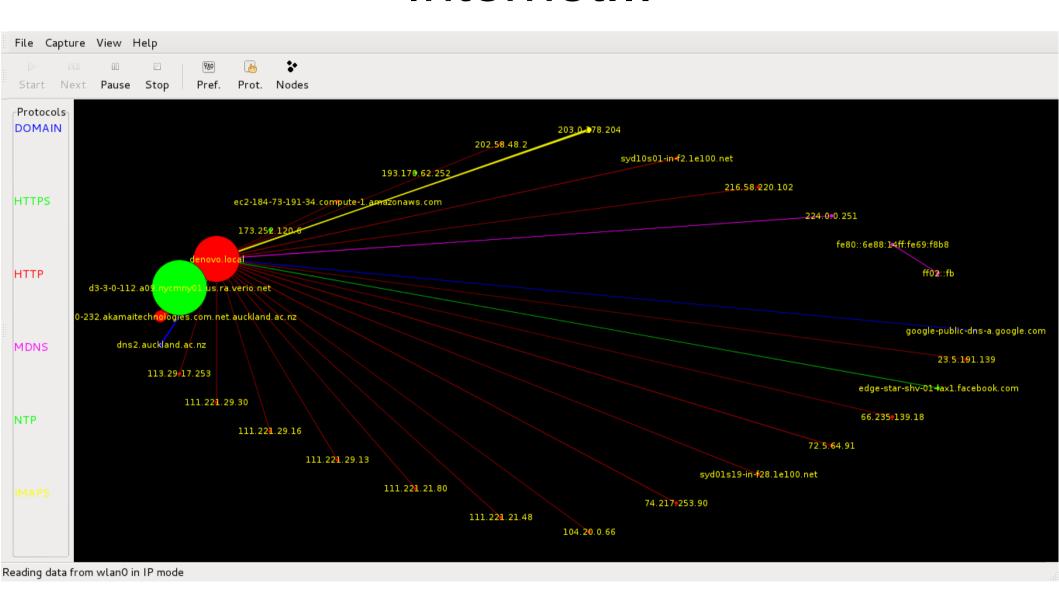
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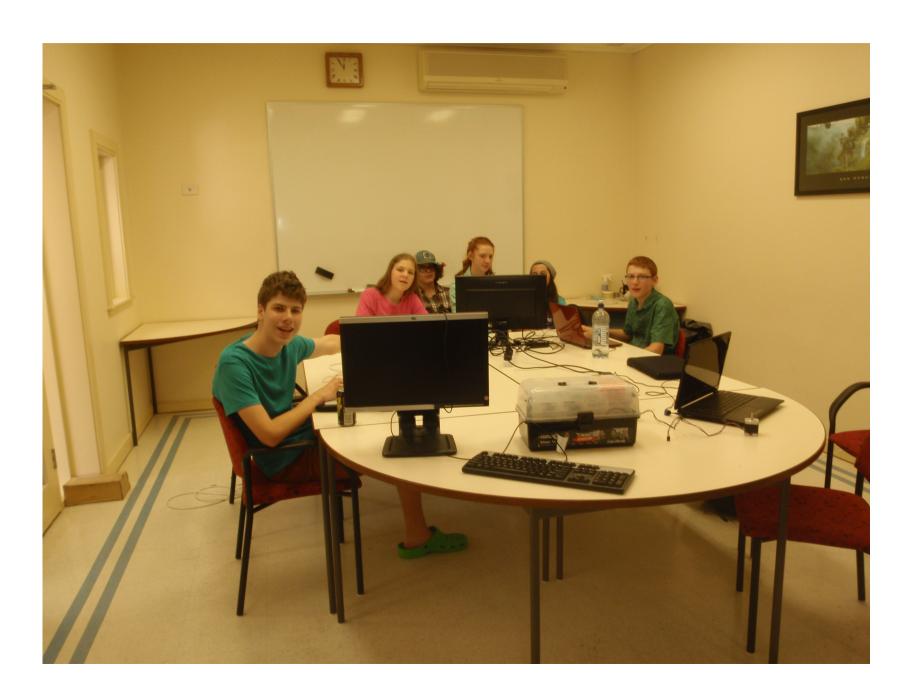
Venue

- Space to work
- Power
- Facilities
- Internet
- Food

Internet...



Venue



Venue



Henchpersons

- 13 to 1: not betting odds!
- Bring-a-grown-up
 - bribe them with coffee!
- Geekling Helpers

Funding

Free Venue



• IEEE

Contributions

Free as in Ginger-beer!

What to do with all the Loot...

- Education Pi
 - http://www.educationpi.com/
- Cambodian Orphanage
- LCA 2015
- Next?
 - http://www.raspberrypi.org/penguin-lifelines/

Content

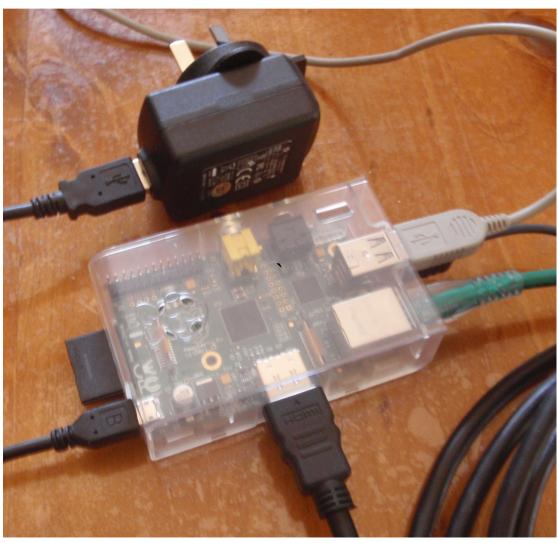
- Raspberry Pi
- Arduino
- 3D printer
- Projects/Kits
 - PiBell, Alarm, Solar Car, Robot(s), Ninja Timer,
 Wireless Keypad, RaspBMC, Arduino Kit,
 Camera/GPS/Accelerometer, ...
- Sometimes less is more

Raspberry Pi

- [AB]\+?
- SD or uSD card, 4G or larger
- Power
- Keyboard/Mouse/Monitor
- Case
- NOOBS
 - http://www.raspberrypi.org/tag/noobs/

Raspberry Pi





Raspberry Pi - SW

- NOOBS
 - Raspian
 - RaspBMC
 - **–** ...
- Scratch
- Python
- GCompris
- Minecraft (incl. Python API)
- gcc, git, emacs, vi, ssh -X, cron, wget, sharutils, ...

Raspberry Pi - HW

- GPIO low-power 3.3V
 - Keep the Magic Blue Smoke contained!
- Prototyping board
- PiBell
- "Hats"
 - http://www.piface.org.uk/products/piface_digital/
 - http://www.microstack.org.uk/
- Camera

Raspberry Pi



TRAFFIC LIGHTS LED RECIPE

A PHYSICAL COMPUTING PROJECT FOR THE RASPBERRY PI – NO SOLDERING, TOOLS OR INTERNET ACCESS REQUIRED!



Difficulty: Basic

This recipe will allow you to create a set of traffic lights by turning LEDs into output devices for your Rappberry PI—we will guide you through writing a program to get them to light in the correct sequence.



Ingredients needed in addition to your Raspberry Pt:

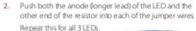
- 3 x LEDs (red, yellow, green)
- 3 x 220Ω Resistors
- 6 x Jumper Wires (female to female)

A small rectangular piece of black card – with three holes for the LEDs

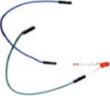
Method:

Turn the 3 x LEDs into outputs for your program

 Take one end of the resistor and twist it around the cathode of the LED (nearest flat edge and the shorter lead) so that it forms a strong connection.



 For each LED take the end of the jumper lead connected to the cathode of the LED (flat edge, shorter wire) and push onto pins 17, 20 and 25 of the GPIO headers which are connected to ground.



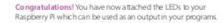


Raspber y R GRO headerpins. The diagram above the pins shows the pin numbers. You will be using pins 3,5,7,17,20 and 25. Warning! You can damage your Raspberry R if you do not use the GPIO pins correctly!



 Then take the end of the other jumper lead and push onto pin 3 for the red LED, pin 5 for the yellow LED and pin 7 for the green LED of the General Purpose I nput-Output (GPIO) header which is connected to the GPIO channels.

 Push the LEDs through your black card in the correct order for traffic lights



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Scratch

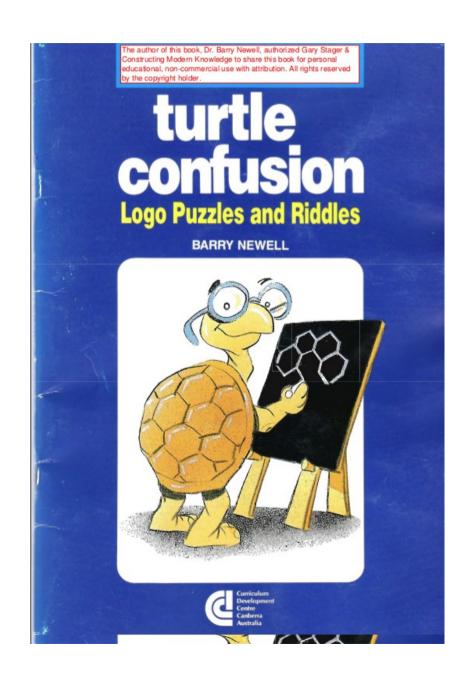
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- Digital Lego
 - http://scratch.mit.edu/
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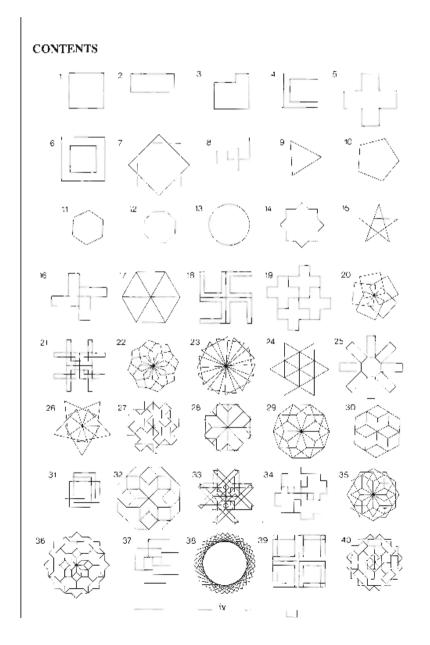
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Turtle Confusion





Arduino

http://arduino.cc/

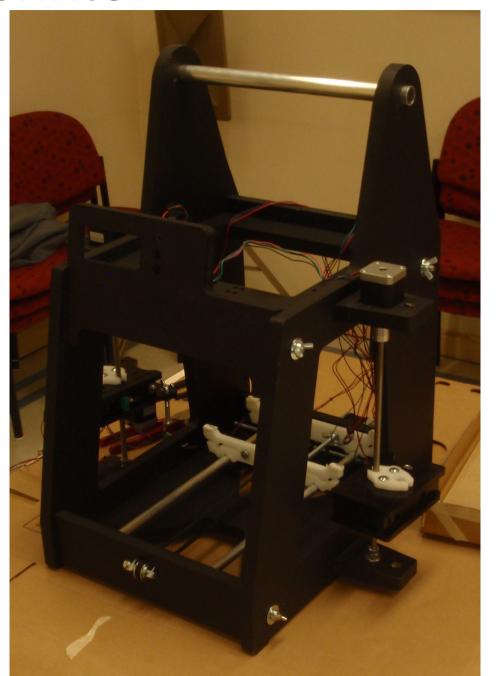
http://freetronics.com.au/

- USB
- 5V GPIO, I²C
- ADC/PWM
- Shields
- Java IDE



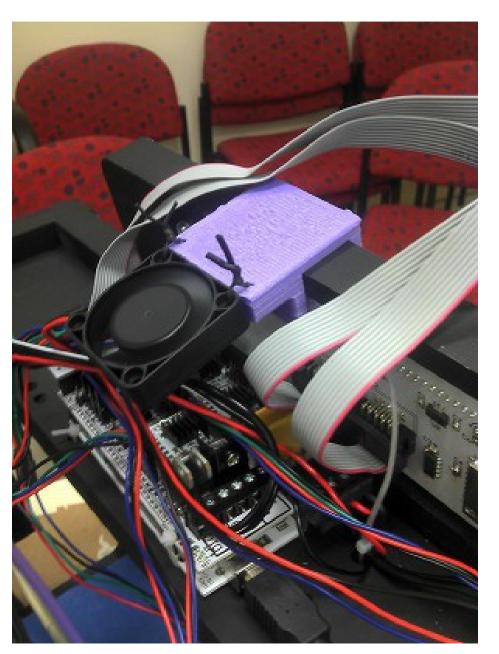
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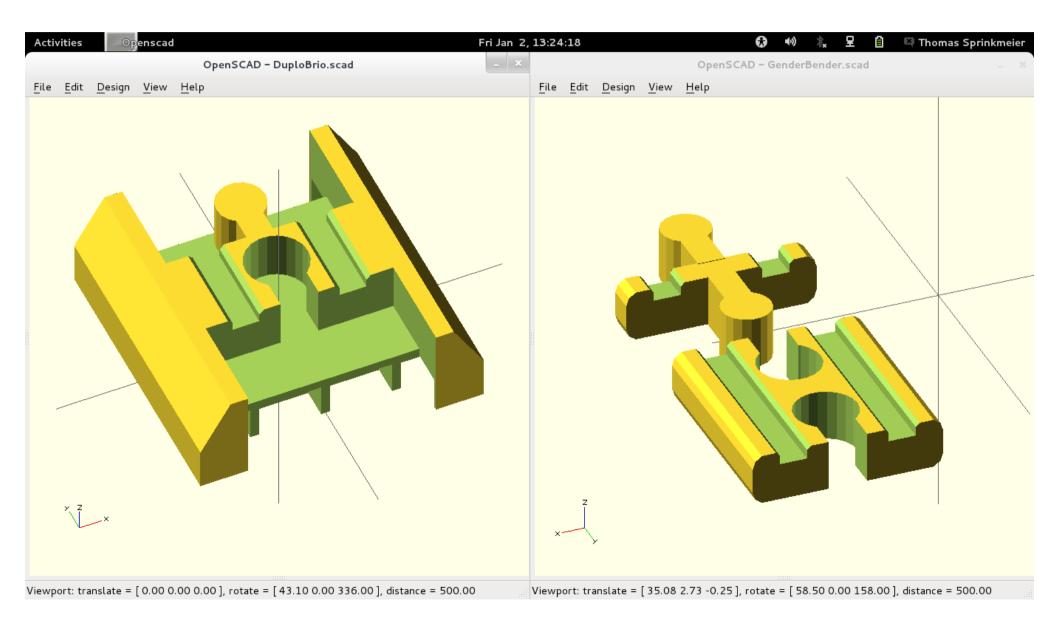


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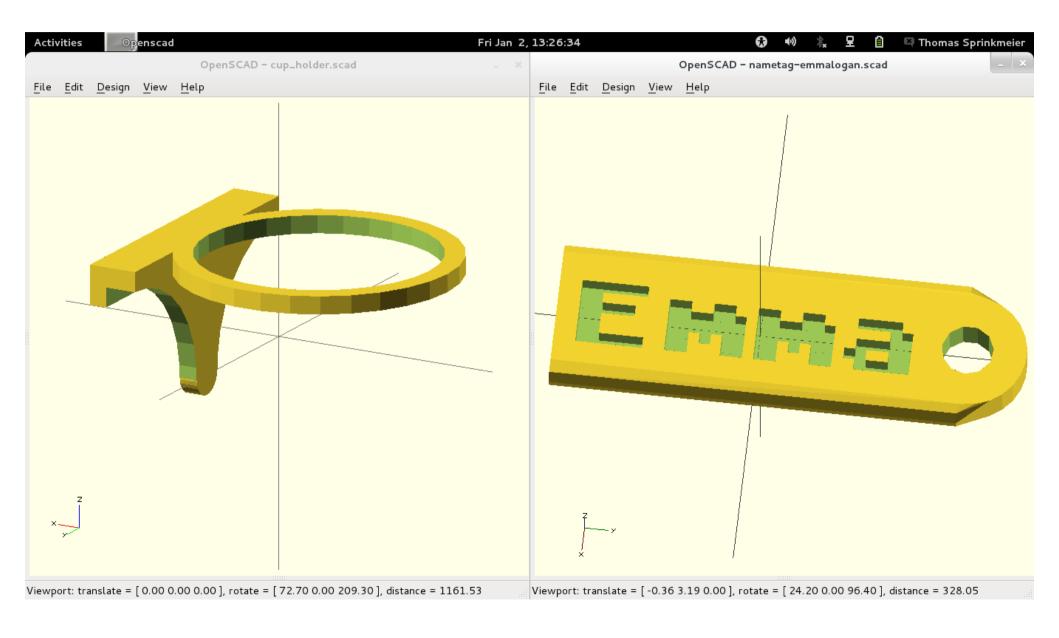
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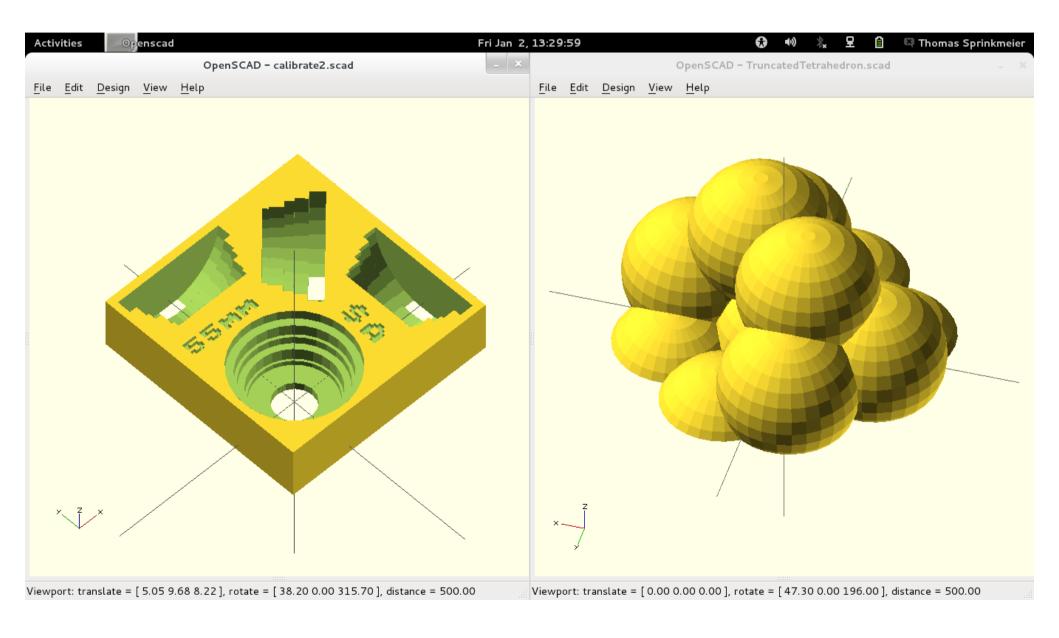
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progress

- 30 sessions
- Core group of Geeklings
- Hand-full of projects
- Charity

What I need

- More Lunatic Geekling Herders
 Benevolent Evil Overlords
 Volunteers
- More Ideas
- More Projects
- More Girls!!

Thanks!

- Ebor Computing
- Shuttleworth Foundation
- MindKits
- Open Software/Hardware
- Henchpersons
- Geeklings!

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