Housing Materials

Paper or Plastic ?



Housing Materials

Plastics

Polyethylene Polypropylene Polyester

Housing Materials

Papers

Glassine - Kraft

envelopes – writing papers – paper towels

Archival Quality

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Acid-free Permanent - Durable Museum Quality All Rag Unbleached

Archival Quality

P.A.T. (Photographic Activity Test)

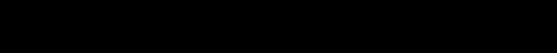
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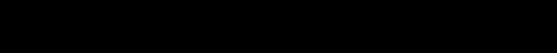
Poorly Used









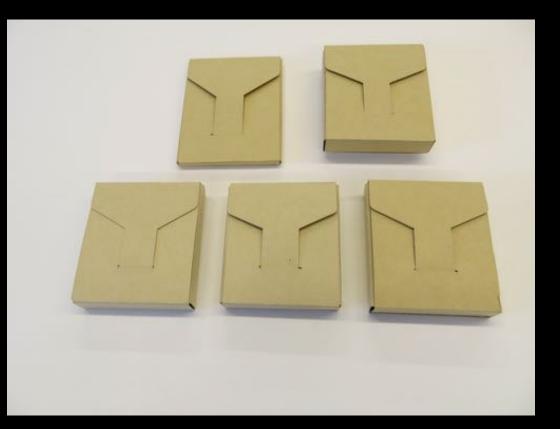


Protective Enclosures

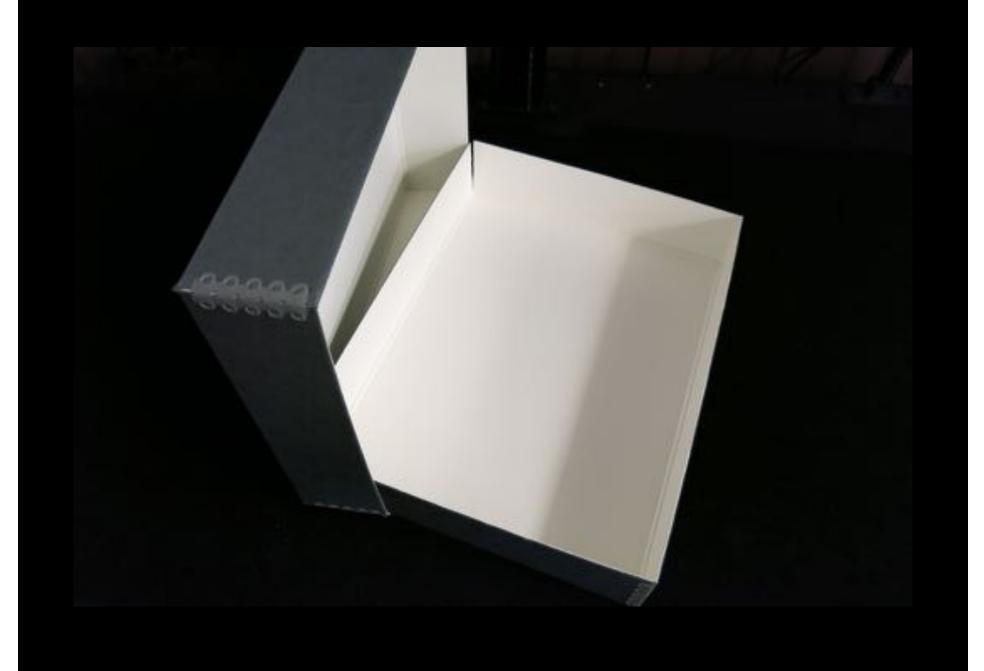


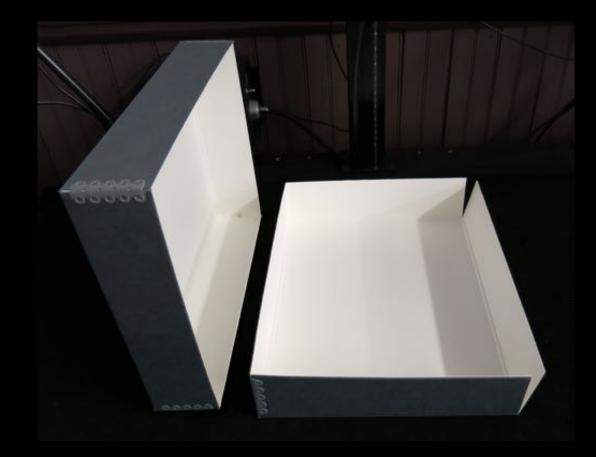










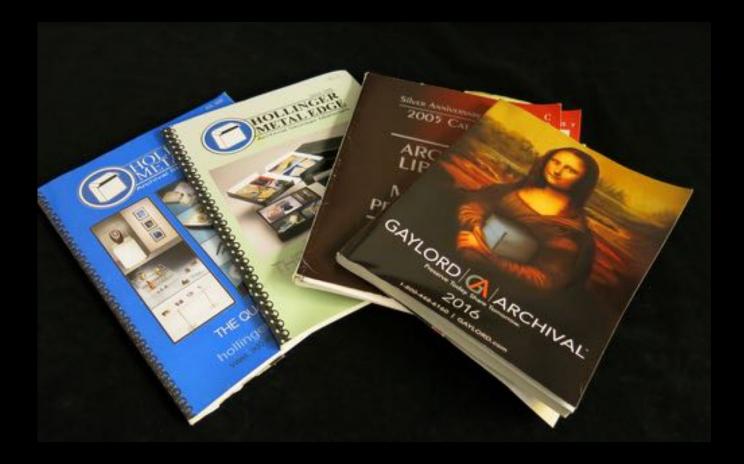


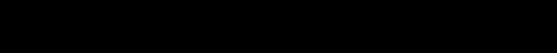












LIMITS OF CONSERVATION TREATMENT



Damage

Irving Penn - Platinum Print



Deterioration

Edward Weston - silver gelatin print

LIMITS OF CONSERVATION TREATMENT

Physical Considerations Importance of Process Location and Extent of Damage

Conservation Principles Respect for Original Minimum Intervention

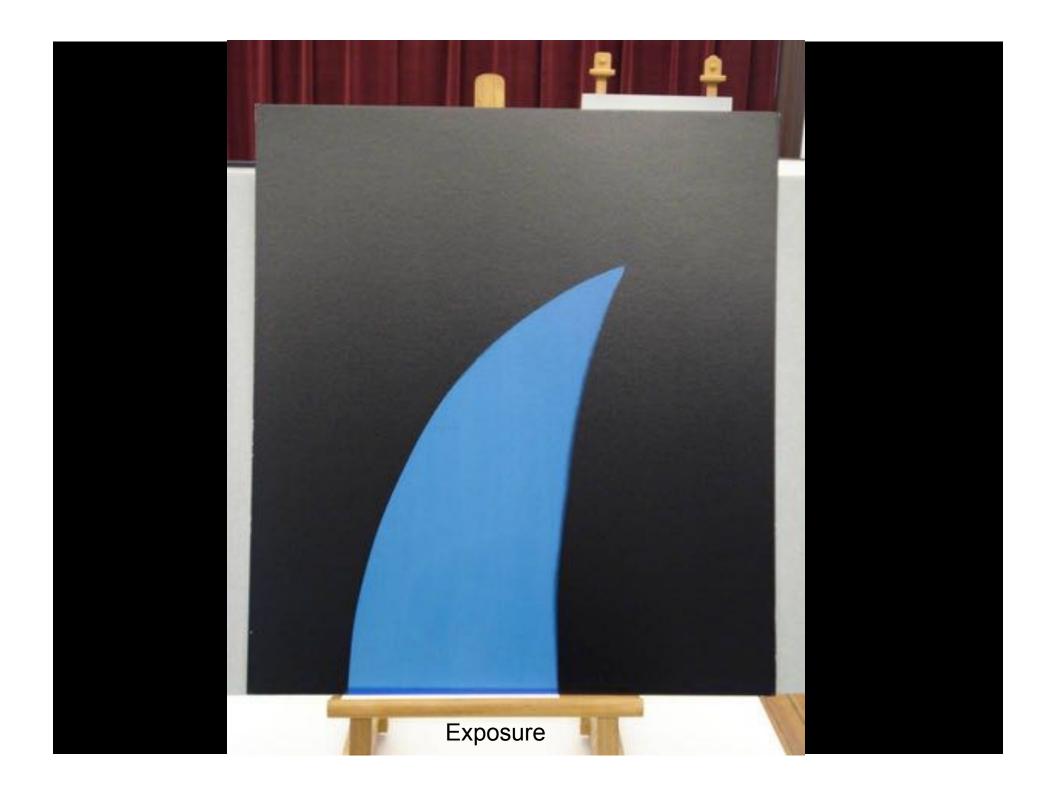
Other Considerations Cost of Treatment Value of Photograph

The Limits of Photograph Conservation Treatments

- + PHYSICAL DAMAGES
- - CHEMICAL / PHOTOCHEMICAL DEGRADATION
- Original Processing Faults
- Color Shift or Loss
- Loss of Image density
- Oxidation







Photograph Conservation Treatments

- Tear Repair
- Dry Cleaning
- Aqueous Cleaning
- Non-aqueous (solvent) cleaning
- Humidification and Flattening
- Removal from Mounts
- Stain Removal or Reduction
- Hinging, Lining and Re-mounting
- Compensation for Losses / Fills

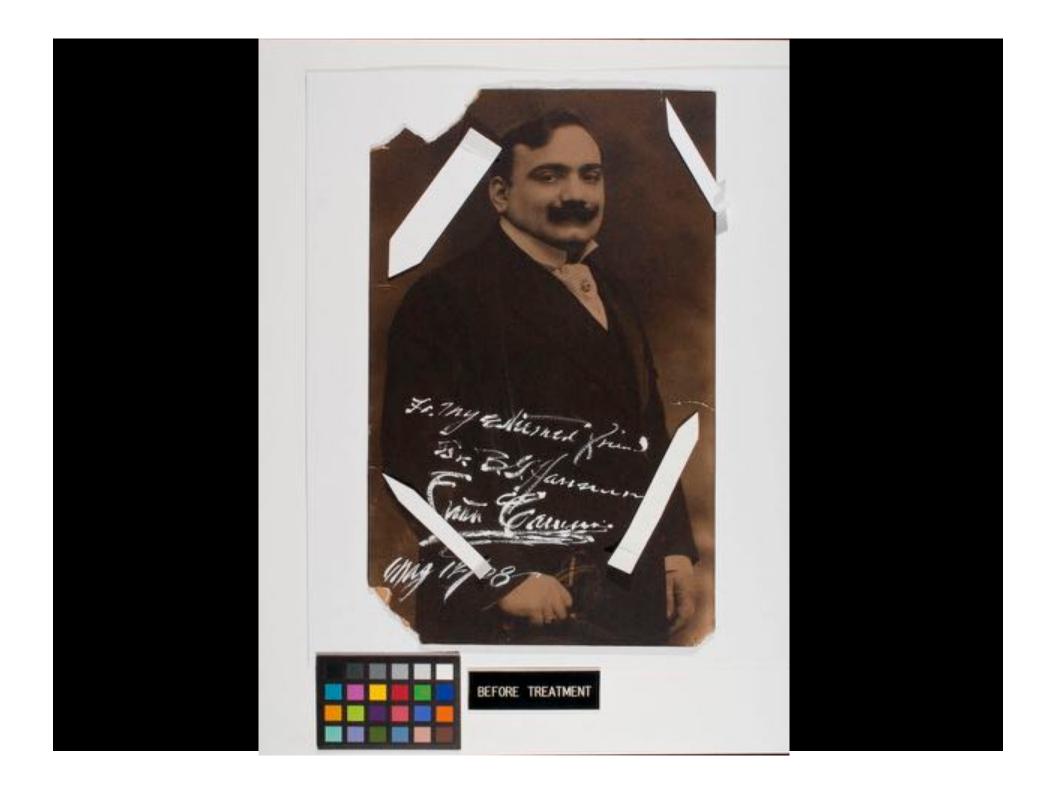




The Limits of Photograph Conservation Treatments

- Physical Damages
 - Process Type
 - Fiber based or RC
 - Emulsion or none
 - Location of Damage
 - Clear Highlight
 - Busy image area
 - Degree of Damage
 - Minor
 - Major











Photograph Conservation Treatments



Barbara Kasten Construct #19, 1982 Silver Dye Bleach

Winsor & Newton watercolors

Photograph Conservation Treatments



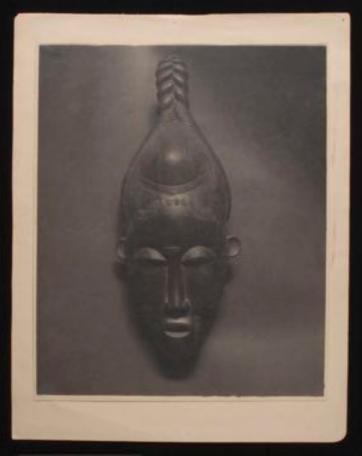
Compensation

Before and During Treatment

Silver Dye Bleach (Ilfochrome)







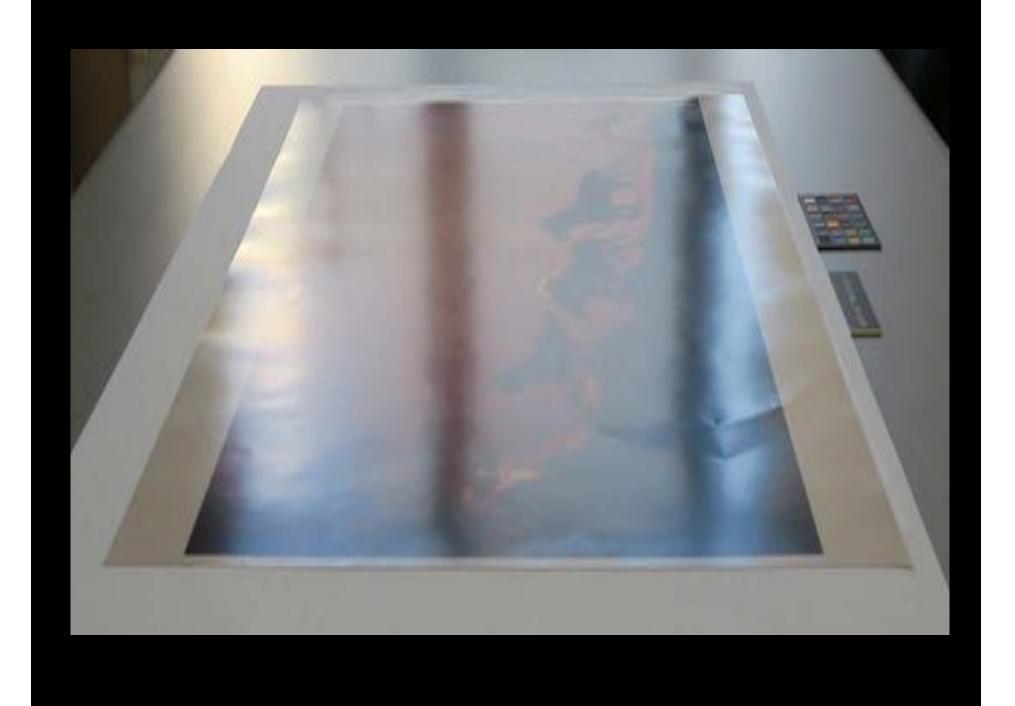


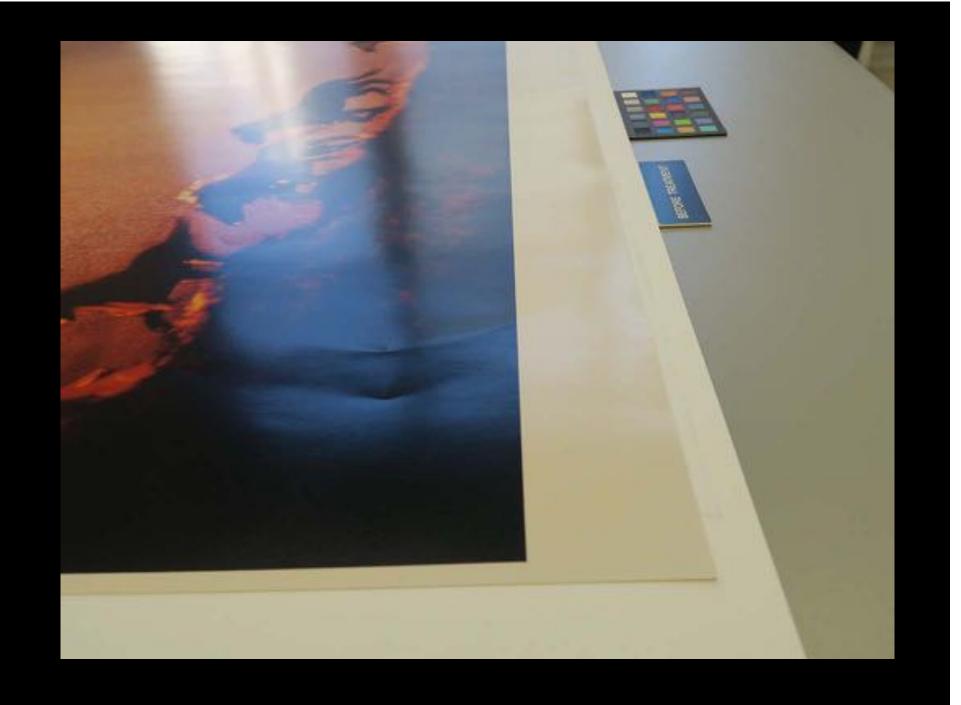


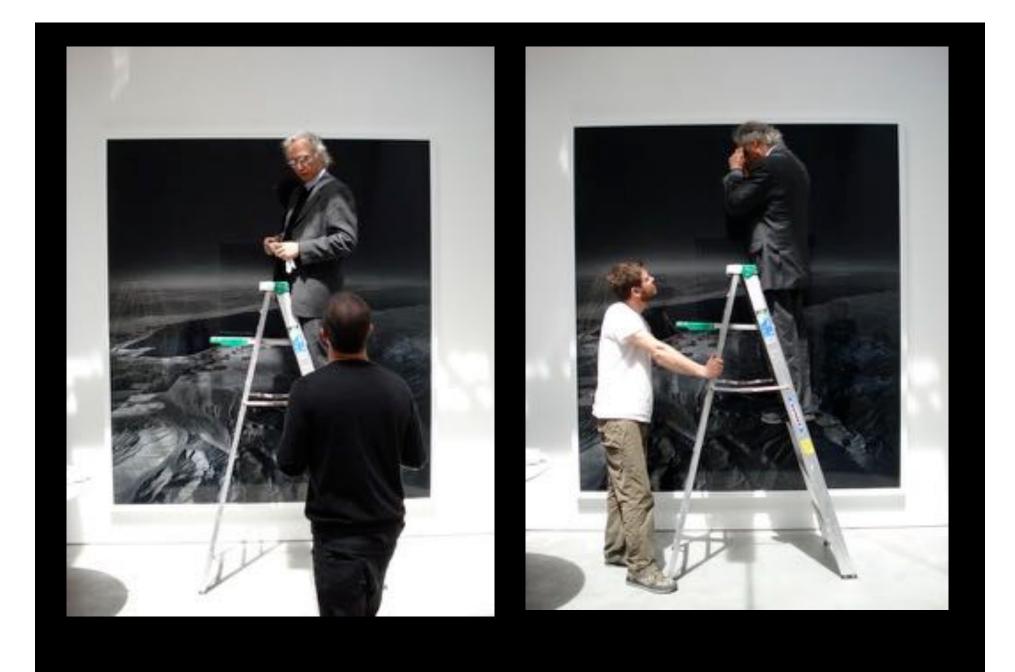










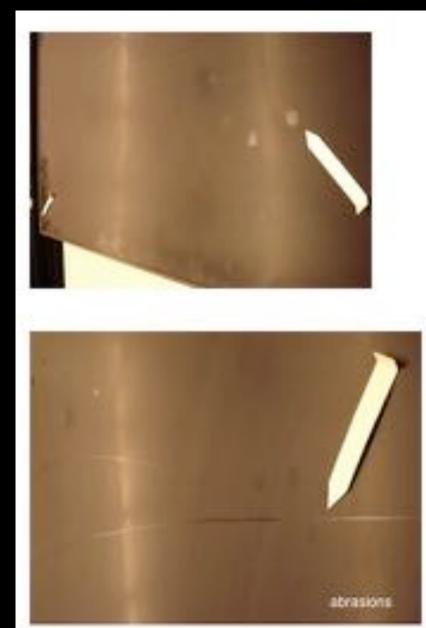








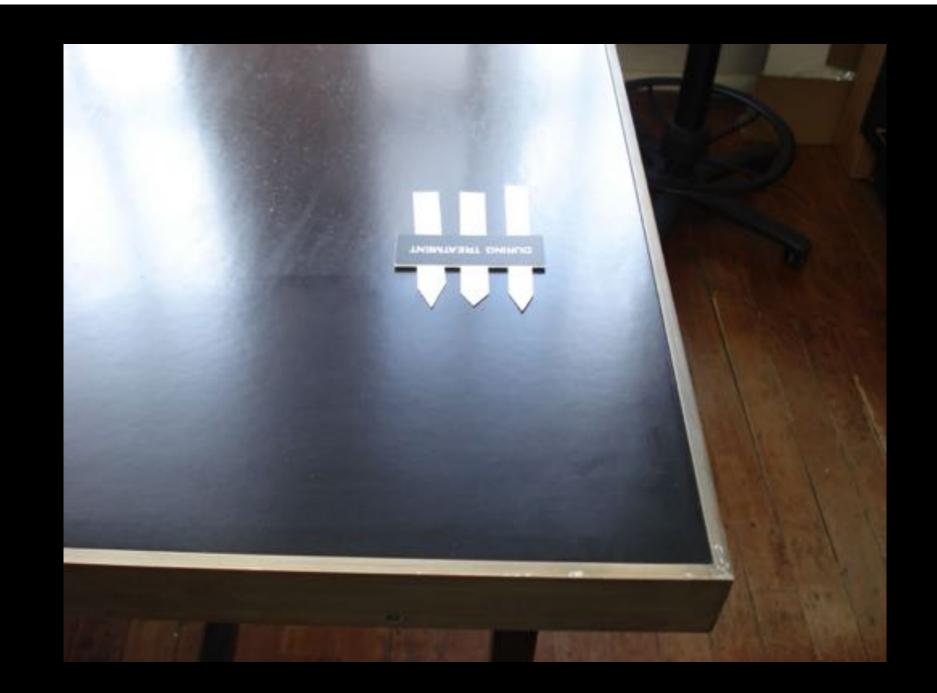


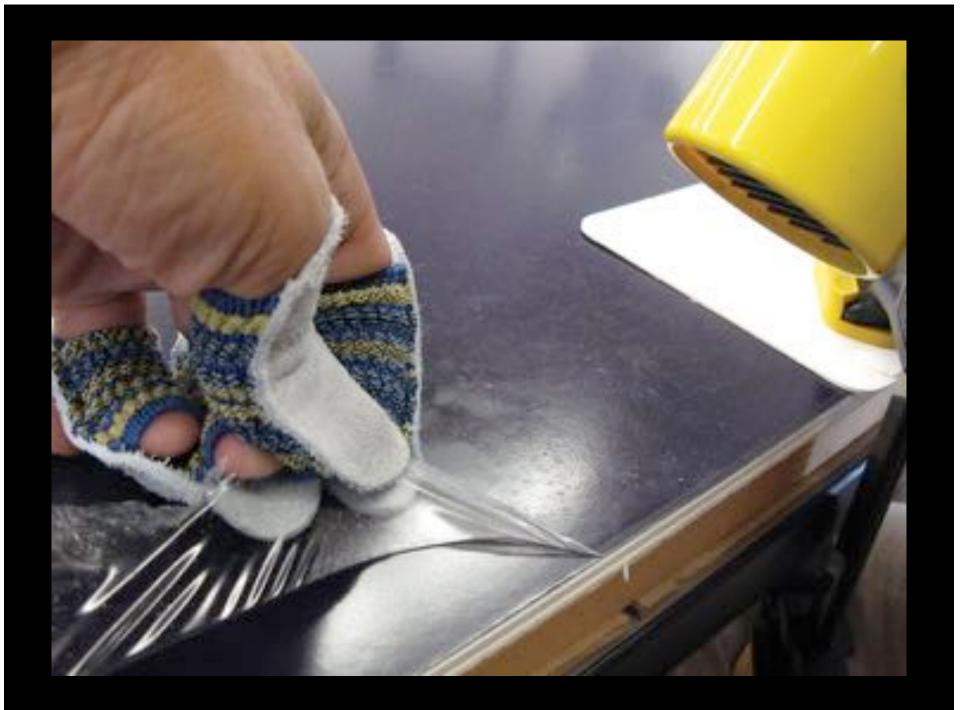














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