

“Save time,
spend less on trash bags, and
never again hit your thumb
with a hammer.”

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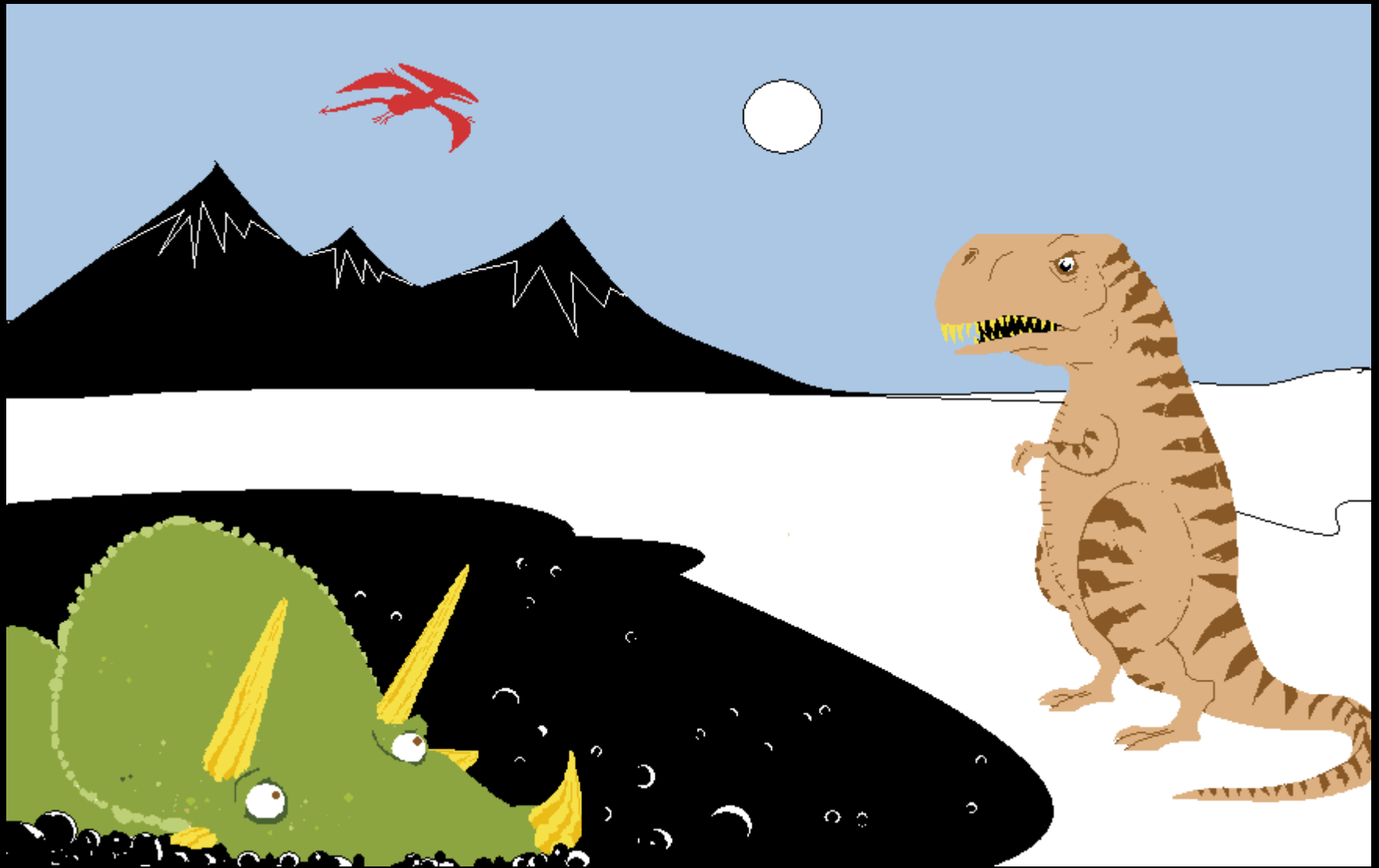














From a system-level point of view,
leaves aren't really a problem...













Cradle to Cradle

Part 2



Periodic Table of Elements

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
1 H Hydrogen 1.00794	Atomic # Symbol Name Atomic Mass																2 He Helium 4.002602	
3 Li Lithium 6.941	4 Be Beryllium 9.012182																	10 Ne Neon 20.1797
11 Na Sodium 22.98976928	12 Mg Magnesium 24.3050																	18 Ar Argon 39.948
19 K Potassium 39.0983	20 Ca Calcium 40.078	21 Sc Scandium 44.955912	22 Ti Titanium 47.887	23 V Vanadium 50.9415	24 Cr Chromium 51.9961	25 Mn Manganese 54.938045	26 Fe Iron 55.845	27 Co Cobalt 58.933195	28 Ni Nickel 58.6934	29 Cu Copper 63.546	30 Zn Zinc 65.38	31 Ga Gallium 69.723	32 Ge Germanium 72.64	33 As Arsenic 74.92160	34 Se Selenium 78.96	35 Br Bromine 79.904	36 Kr Krypton 83.798	
37 Rb Rubidium 85.4678	38 Sr Strontium 87.62	39 Y Yttrium 88.90585	40 Zr Zirconium 91.224	41 Nb Niobium 92.90638	42 Mo Molybdenum 95.96	43 Tc Technetium (97.9072)	44 Ru Ruthenium 101.07	45 Rh Rhodium 102.90550	46 Pd Palladium 106.42	47 Ag Silver 107.8682	48 Cd Cadmium 112.411	49 In Indium 114.818	50 Sn Tin 118.710	51 Sb Antimony 121.760	52 Te Tellurium 127.60	53 I Iodine 126.90447	54 Xe Xenon 131.293	
55 Cs Caesium 132.9054519	56 Ba Barium 137.327	57–71														86 Rn Radon (222.0176)		
87 Fr Francium (223)	88 Ra Radium (226)	89–103														118 Uuo Ununoctium (294)		
72 Hf Hafnium 178.49	73 Ta Tantalum 180.94788	74 W Tungsten 183.84	75 Re Rhenium 186.207	76 Os Osmium 190.23	77 Ir Iridium 192.217	78 Pt Platinum 195.084	79 Au Gold 196.966569	80 Hg Mercury 200.59	81 Tl Thallium 204.3833	82 Pb Lead 207.2	83 Bi Bismuth 208.98040	84 Po Polonium (209.9824)	85 At Astatine (209.9871)	86 Rn Radon (222.0176)	87 Fr Francium (223)	88 Ra Radium (226)	89 Ac Actinium (227)	
104 Rf Rutherfordium (261)	105 Db Dubnium (262)	106 Sg Seaborgium (266)	107 Bh Bohrium (264)	108 Hs Hassium (277)	109 Mt Meitnerium (268)	110 Ds Darmstadtium (271)	111 Rg Roentgenium (272)	112 Uub Ununbium (285)	113 Uut Ununtrium (284)	114 Uuq Ununquadium (289)	115 Uup Ununpentium (288)	116 Uuh Ununhexium (292)	117 Uus Ununseptium (293)	118 Uuo Ununoctium (294)	119 Uuh Ununhennium (295)	120 Uuo Ununoccium (296)	121 Uuu Ununtrium (297)	

For elements with no stable isotopes, the mass number of the isotope with the longest half-life is in parentheses.

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57 La Lanthanum 138.90547	58 Ce Cerium 140.116	59 Pr Praseodymium 140.90768	60 Nd Neodymium 144.242	61 Pm Promethium (145)	62 Sm Samarium 150.36	63 Eu Europium 151.964	64 Gd Gadolinium 157.25	65 Tb Terbium 158.92535	66 Dy Dysprosium 162.500	67 Ho Holmium 164.93032	68 Er Erbium 167.259	69 Tm Thulium 168.93421	70 Yb Ytterbium 173.054	71 Lu Lutetium 174.9668
89 Ac Actinium (227)	90 Th Thorium 232.03806	91 Pa Protactinium 231.03588	92 U Uranium 238.02891	93 Np Neptunium (237)	94 Pu Plutonium (244)	95 Am Americium (243)	96 Cm Curium (247)	97 Bk Berkelium (247)	98 Cf Californium (251)	99 Es Einsteinium (252)	100 Fm Fermium (257)	101 Md Mendelevium (258)	102 No Nobelium (259)	103 Lr Lawrencium (262)





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IDEA: Can we mimic this process, with our own version of
small, versatile, reusable building blocks?

Lazy Approach: rather than trying to
discover appropriate materials,
let's design and manufacture them.

BASIC PLAN

- Simple, atomic *node*
- Linkage connecting nodes to each other (nearest neighbor): free-floating, fixed, or something in-between
- Ability to change angle of linkages (or adjust length)
- Sensors to detect position and forces
- Grappling/attachment system
- Distributed, scalable, local control system

RESULT: ARTIFICIAL MATTER

- Synthetic wood/rubber/steel: fully tunable
- Customized (programmable) shapes: easier; less waste; in-field options
- Joining/releasing of macro-scale objects
- True repair vs replacement
- Reusability
- Smart materials

APPLICATIONS

- Weather adaption: wind, temperature, rain
- Morphable furniture (how many rooms do you use at once?)
- Dynamic materials: properties can be changed to suit the application
- How do we realize these different characteristics?

SOME QUESTIONS

- What's the right granularity for these atomic nodes?
- Is a macro-scale node still useful?
- Energy supply: EM harvesting? Solar?
- Computing substrate: Cell Matrix?
- Passive or active? Can things be powered-down when structure is static?
- Safety: unplanned breakdown of critical structures etc.