

The Current State of Hardware Hacking

(even a 2-year-old can do it...)

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We Need to Open Our Eyes...

- Hardware hacks becoming more common
- Not many use new or novel techniques
- Most "security" has been a mere roadblock



We Are Part of the Problem

- Many attacks are so easy that we (engineers & vendors) should be blamed
- We are trained to think like engineers
- We are not trained to think like hackers
- We are constrained by budget and time-to-market
- Security is an afterthought (if at all)
- Our response to hardware attacks is antiquated
 - Knee-jerk reactions
 - Denial of any issue (and refusal to fix it)



Hardware Hacking Areas

- Information Gathering
 - Obtaining data about the target by any means necessary
- Hardware Teardown
 - Product disassembly, component/subsystem identification, modification
- Firmware Reverse Engineering
 - Extract/modify/reprogram code or data
 - OS exploitation/device jailbreaking
- External Interface Analysis
 - Communications monitoring, protocol decoding/emulation
- Silicon Die Analysis
 - Chip-level modification/data extraction



Common Attack Surfaces

- Memory & Firmware
- Exposed Buses & Interfaces
- Passwords & Cryptography



Memory & Firmware



Memory & Firmware

1993: Oki 900 Cellphone Cloning (8051)

www.hackcanada.com/blackcrawl/cell/oki/oki900.html



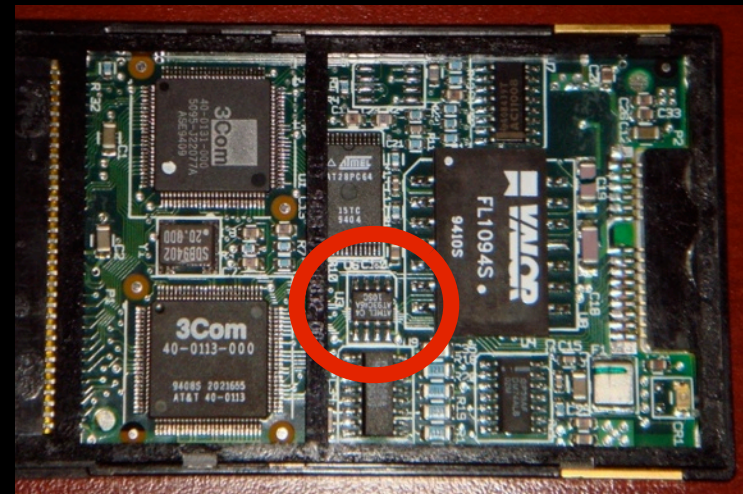
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; ===== Subroutine for copying in a fake ESN =====
letsqo: mov r0, #$60          ;
        mov r1, #$04          ;
cploop: movx a, @dptr         ;
        mov @r0, a             ; THIS WILL COPY A OBTAINED
        inc dptr               ;
        inc r0                 ; ESN TO THE LOCATION FOR
        djnz r1, cploop       ;
        mov dptr, #$bec2      ; REAL ESN USE. FOR USE
        mov r0, #$60          ;
        mov r1, #$04          ; WITH ESN/MIN PAIRS.
wrlloop: mov a, @r0           ;
        lcall $2ffb           ;
        inc dptr               ;
        inc r0                 ;
        djnz r1, wrlloop     ;
        ljmp done             ;
autodia: mov a, #$01          ; \
        mov dptr, #$7005      ; | Turn off EEPROM write protect.
        movx @dptr, a         ; /
        clr $60               ; Make sure $60 is clean
                                ; ***** Loop for 1 to 256
                                ; \
        mov $62, $a0          ; | #$a0de Load First Address
        mov $63, $de          ; | in Data Table
                                ; /
                                ; DPH DPL
                                ; $83 $82
pulldat: mov $83, $62         ; \
        mov $82, $63         ; | 82 = DPL
        clr a                 ; | 83 = DPH
        movc a, @a+dptr       ; | 83 82
        mov $60, a           ; |
        inc $63               ; | Read from Data Table starting
        mov $82, $63         ; | at ROM address #$9f4e, we pull
        clr a                 ; |
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1998: NIC MAC Address Cloning (Serial EEPROM)

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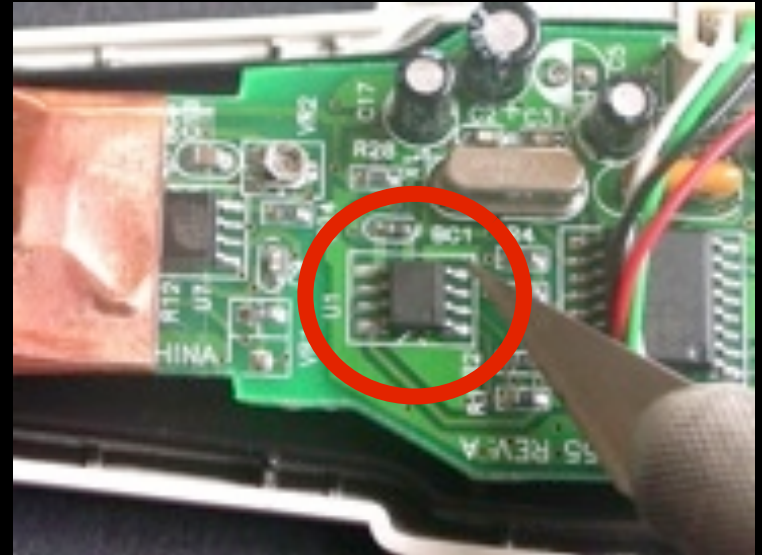
Manufacturer	Model	EEPROM	MAC Address	Data
National Semiconductor	NSC ?	93LC06	08:00:17:03:C0:E5	0008 0317 E5C0 0000 0500 010D 01DA 5757 4242 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0020 0020
Ansel Communications	N2000 Plus 3	93C46	00:40:90:80:07:7E	4000 8090 7E07 FFFF FFFF FFFF FFFF 5757 4242 FFFF FFFF FFFF FFFF FFFF 0100 FF20
Microdyne	NE2000 Plus 3	93C06	00:80:29:E7:C2:9C	N/A
Linksys	Ether16	93C46	00:40:05:44:17:A7	4000 4405 A717 0108 020A 5464 00D8 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000
Genius	GE2000 II	93C46	00:40:33:2A:82:82	4000 2A33 8283 5805 0000 0000 0000 5757 4242 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 2100 0020
Winbond	HT-2003CT	93C46	48:54:33:01:48:24	5448 0133 2448 0000 5448 0133 2448 5757 4242 0000 0000 0000 0000 0000 4040 0020



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2000: Declawing the CueCat (Serial EEPROM)

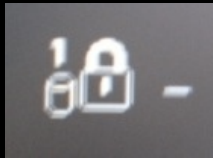
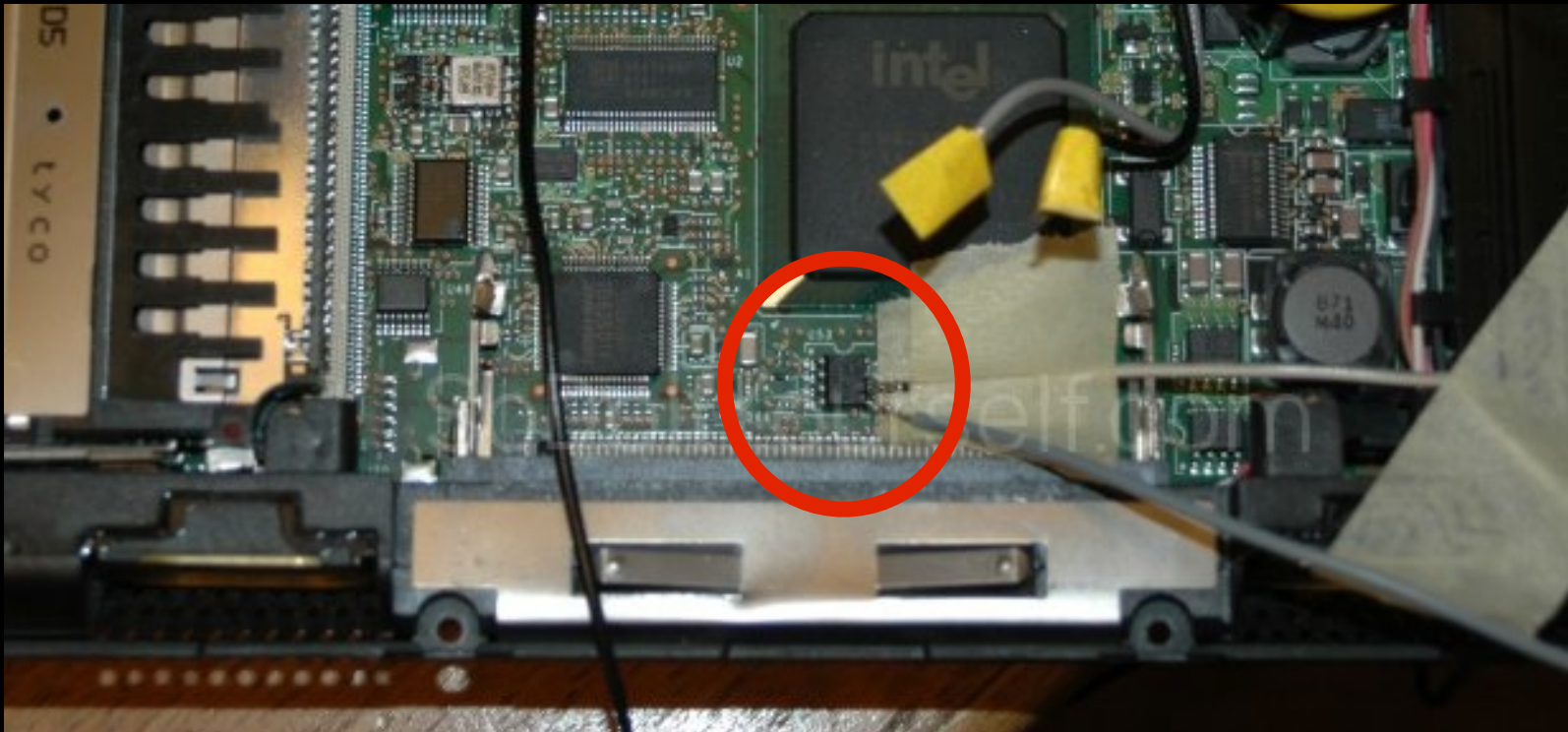
www.sujal.net/tech/declaw/



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2006: IBM ThinkPad BIOS Password (Serial EEPROM)

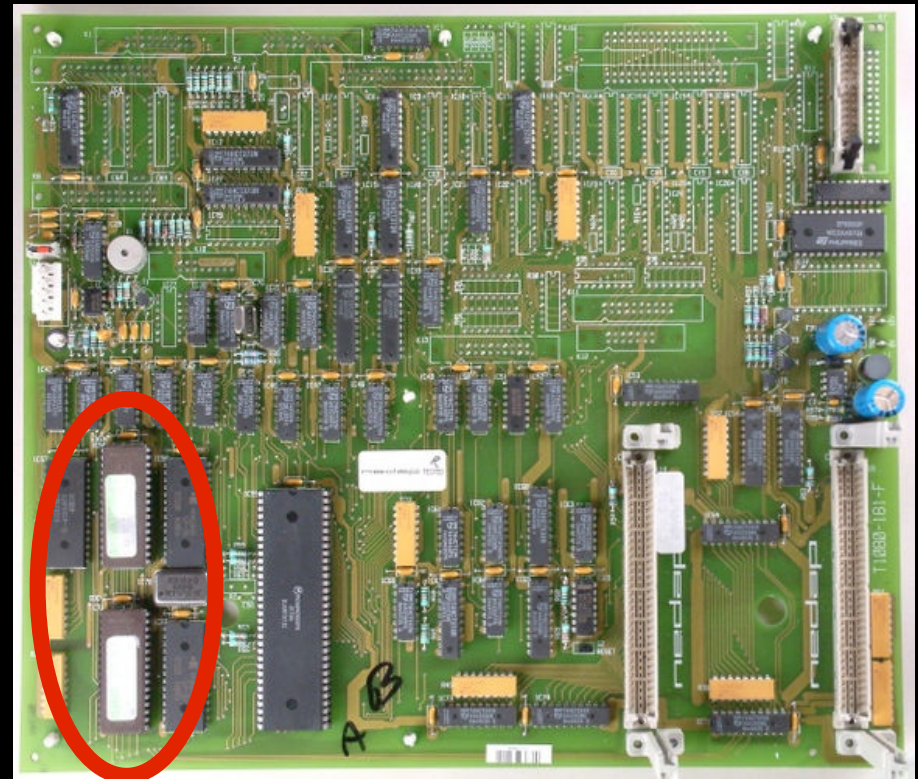
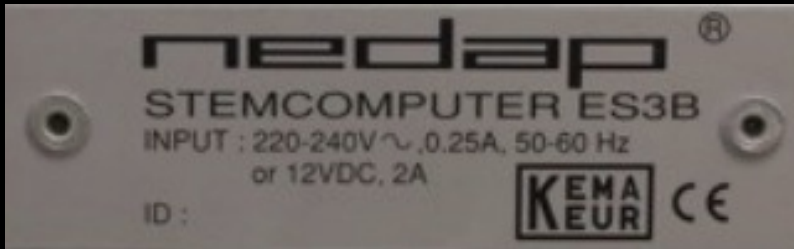
<http://sodoityourself.com/hacking-ibm-thinkpad-bios-password/>



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2006: The Netherlands Electronic Voting Machines (68K)

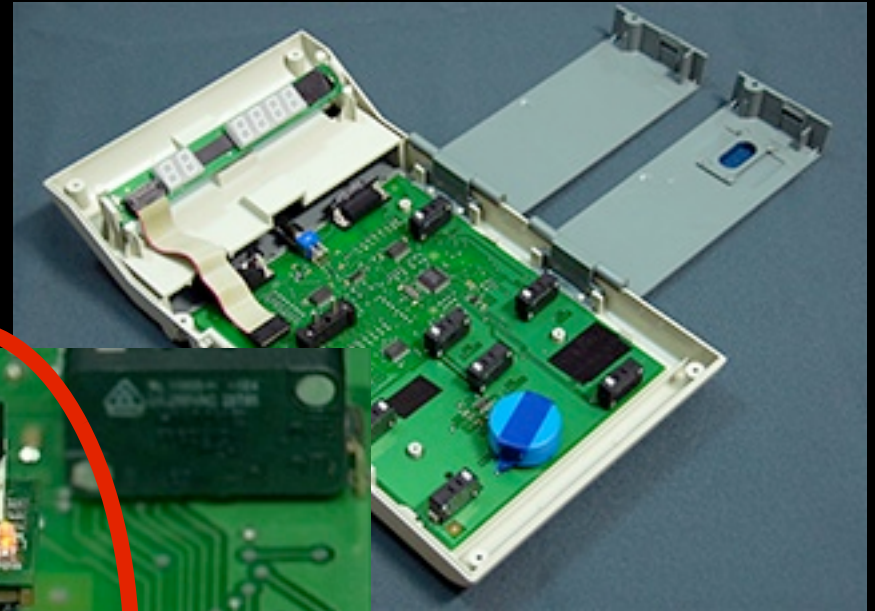
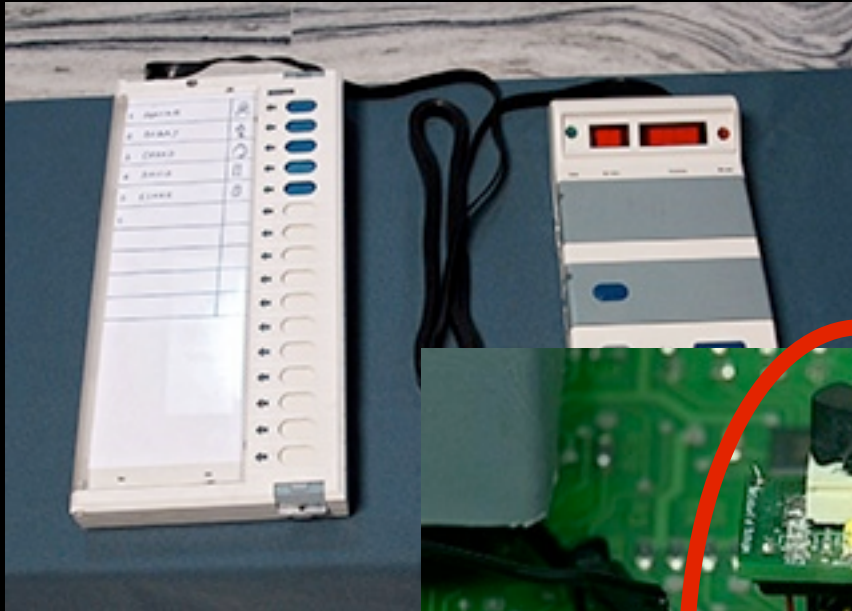
www.wijvertrouwenstemcomputersniet.nl



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2010: India Electronic Voting Machines (Serial EEPROM)

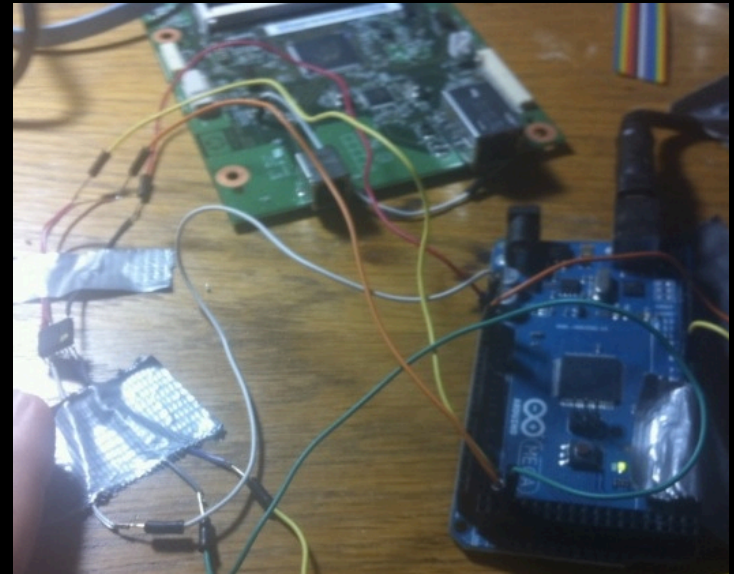
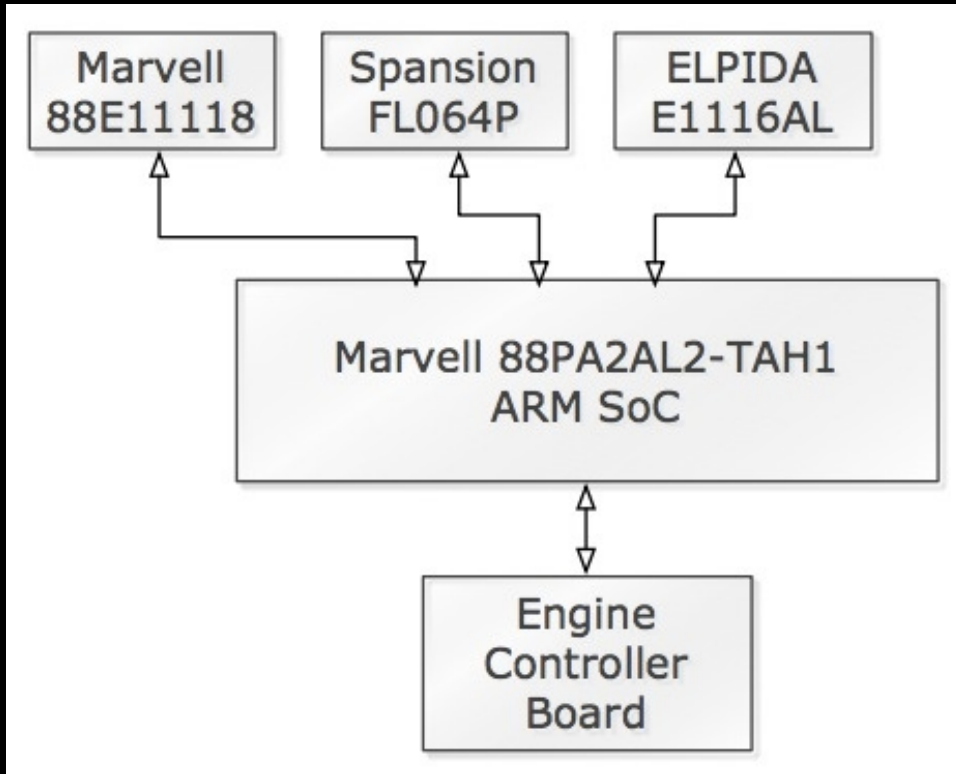
www.indiaevm.org



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2011: HP LaserJet Printer (VxWorks)

<http://ids.cs.columbia.edu/sites/default/files/CuiPrintMeIfYouDare.pdf>



Exposed Buses & Interfaces



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1997: BlackBerry RIM 950/957 (RF)

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Radio Oriented Synchronous Information (ROSI) Header

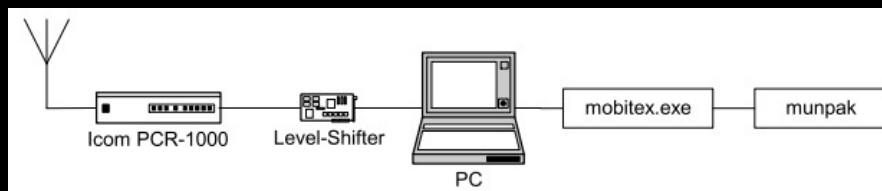
Mobitex Access Number (MAN): 16589672
Frame ID: 129
Sequence Number: 184
Data Blocks: 8

Mobitex Packet (MPAK) Header

Sender MAN: 16589672
Addressee MAN: 100031
Flags: None
Traffic State: N/A
Packet Type: Data
Time Stamp: N/A
Packet ID: 37

Mobitex Packet (MPAK) Body

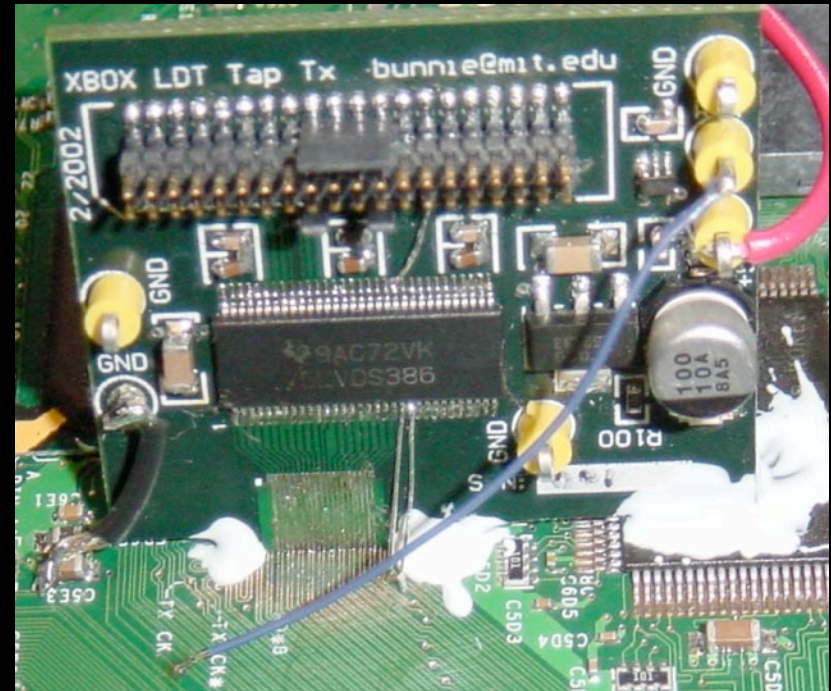
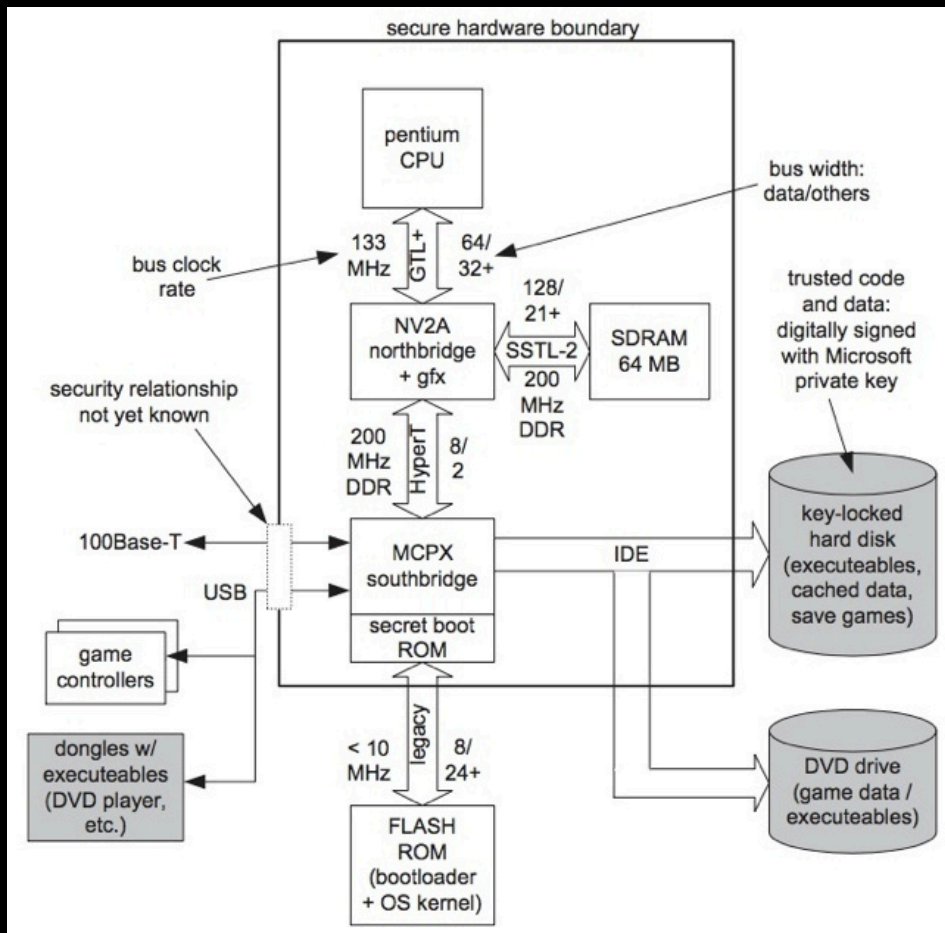
Destination MAN: G101101
Message Type: E-Mail Original (MIME)
To: kingpin@atstake.com
From: 16589672
Subject: Foo
Body: Sell the farm.



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2002: Hacking the Xbox (HyperTransport bus)

www.xenater.com/bunnie/proj/anatak/xboxmod.html

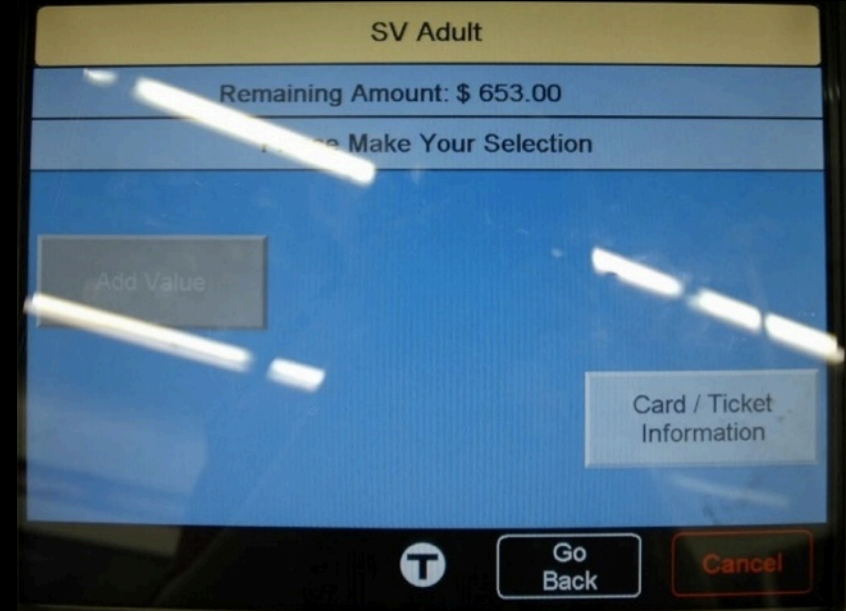


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2008: MBTA CharlieTicket (Magnetic Stripe)

<http://web.mit.edu/zacka/www/mbta.html>

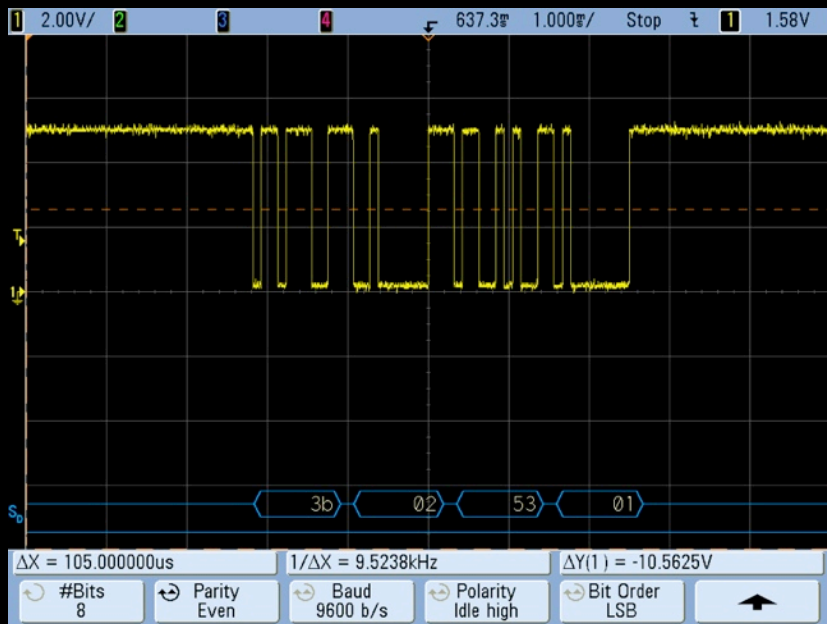
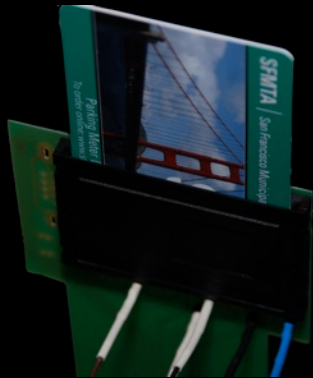
const	ticket #	ticket type	value		
		(ticket / pass)	(in cents)		
EC901	0402AC9D	000000005B3	FE4C		
0150342	248	A84EBD	132		
		BE	1		
time	const	time	last reader used	last station used	const (approx)
028	0002	000000002025D0000			FC90
last trans (in nickels)	# of uses	const (approx)	checksum		



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2009: San Francisco Smart Parking Meter (Smartcard)

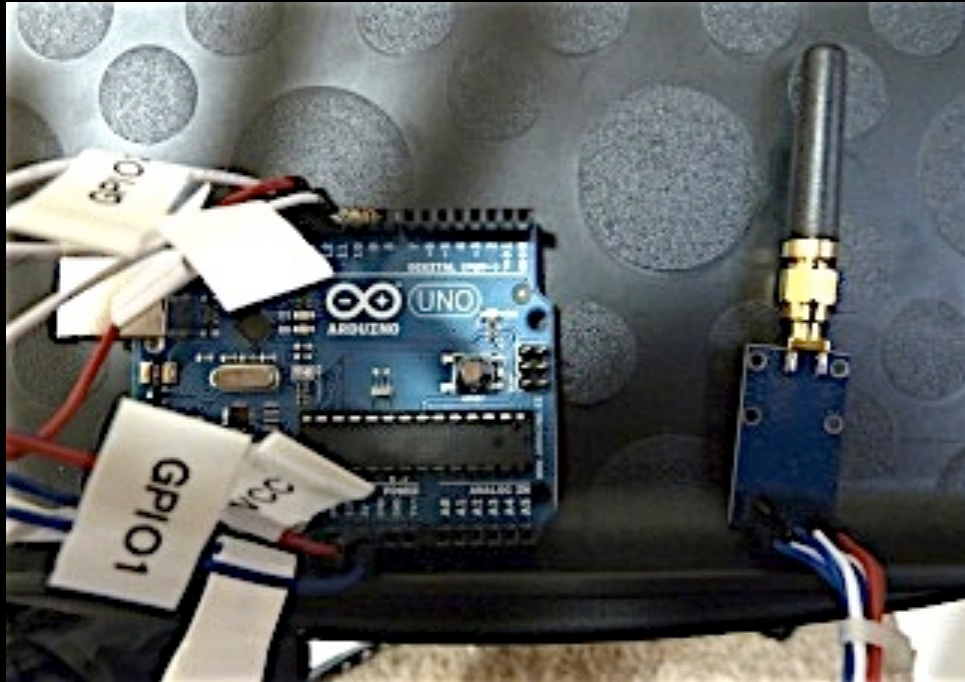
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2011: Medtronic Implantable Insulin Pump (RF)

https://media.blackhat.com/bh-us-11/Radcliffe/BH_US_11_Radcliffe_Hacking_Medical_Devices_Slides.pdf



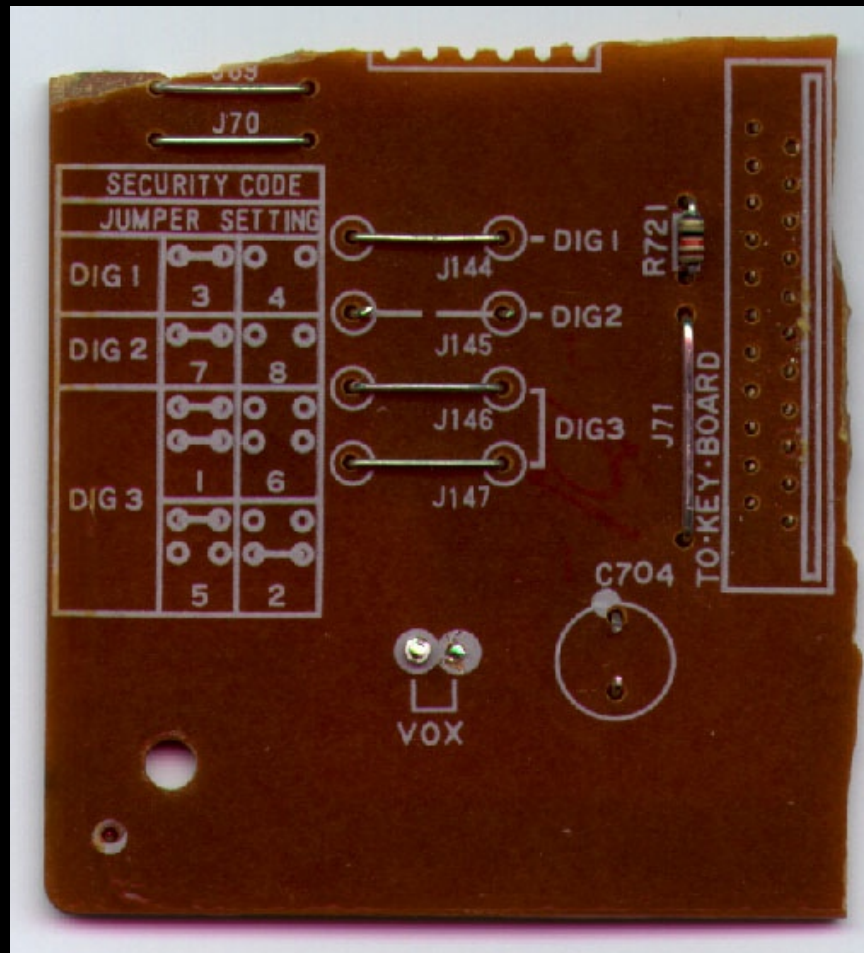
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1988: AT&T 1320 Answering Machine Security Code

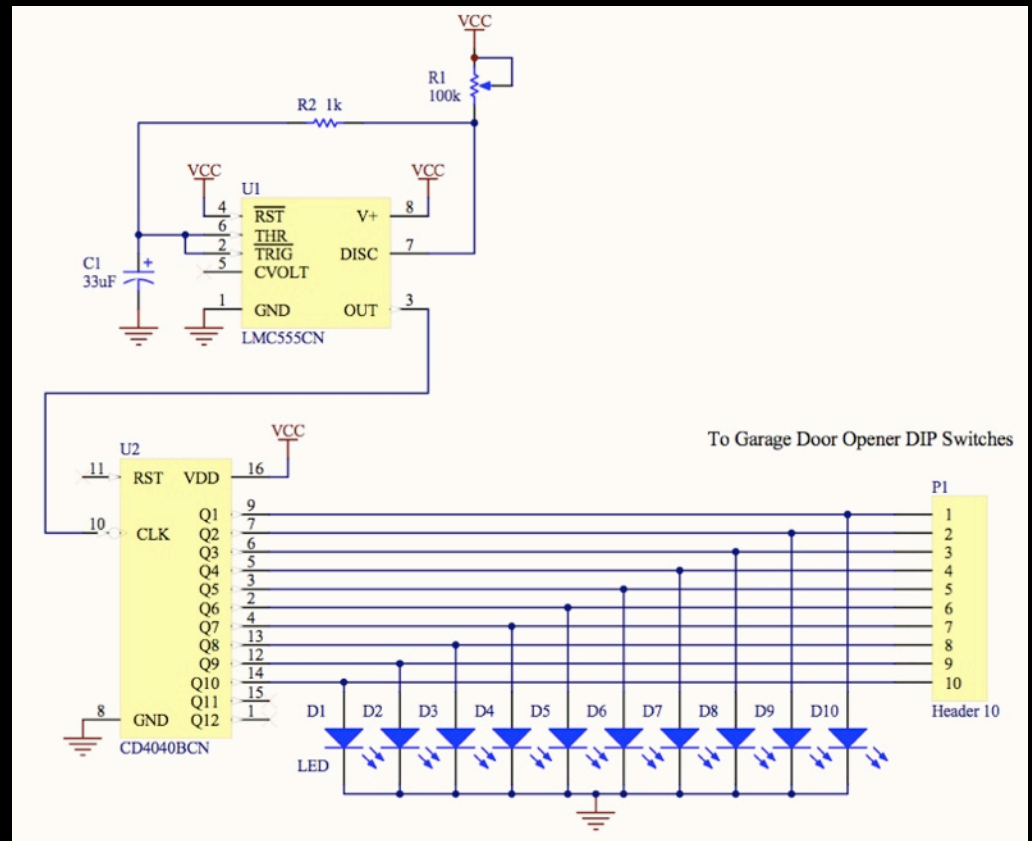
www.grandideastudio.com/portfolio/answering-machine-advisory/



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1994: Universal Garage Door Opener

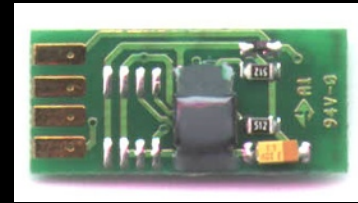
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2000: Rainbow iKey 1000 Password Decoding

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	Byte #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
A, Hashed MKEY value, <code>md5("rainbow")</code>	=	CD13	B6A6	AF66	FB77				
B, Obfuscated MKEY value in EEPROM	=	D2DD	B960	B0D0	F499				

$B_1 = A_1 \text{ XOR } 0x1F$
 $B_2 = A_2 \text{ XOR } (A_1 + 0x01)$
 $B_3 = A_3 \text{ XOR } 0x0F$
 $B_4 = A_4 \text{ XOR } (A_3 + 0x10)$
 $B_5 = A_5 \text{ XOR } 0x1F$
 $B_6 = A_6 \text{ XOR } (A_5 + 0x07)$
 $B_7 = A_7 \text{ XOR } 0x0F$
 $B_8 = A_8 \text{ XOR } (A_7 + 0xF3)$

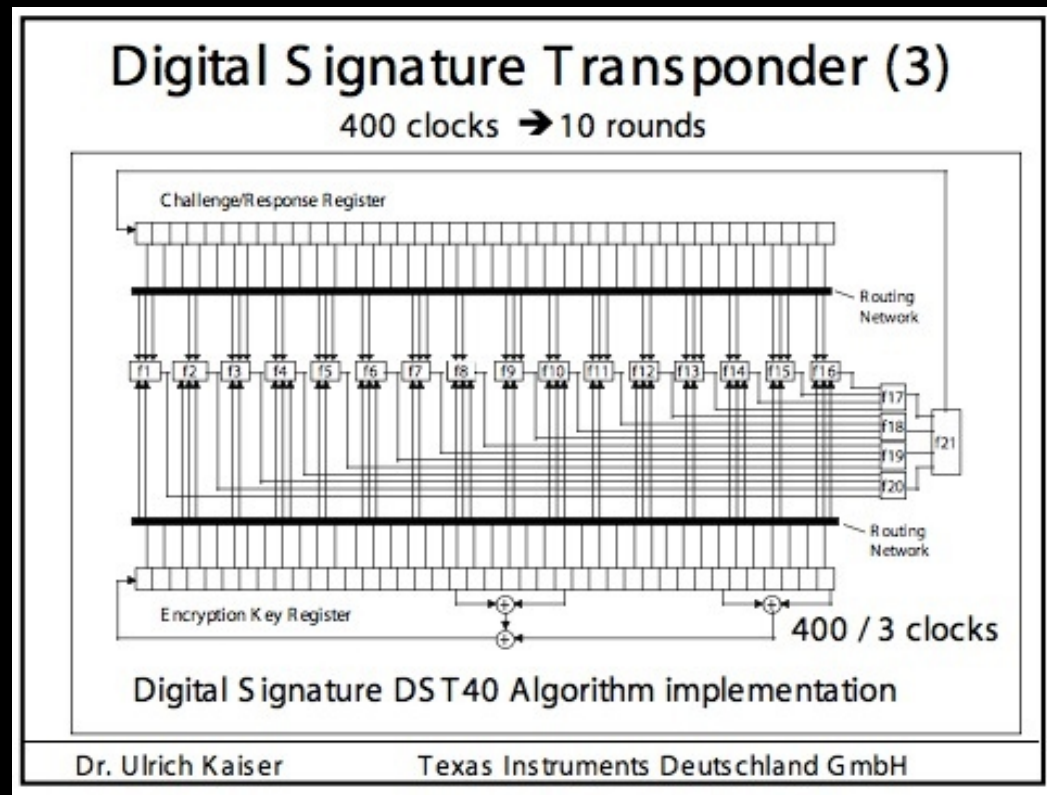
Example: $0xD2 = 0xCD \text{ XOR } 0x1F$
 $0xDD = 0x13 \text{ XOR } (0xCD + 0x01) \dots$



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2005: Mobil SpeedPass (TI Digital Signature Transponder RFID)

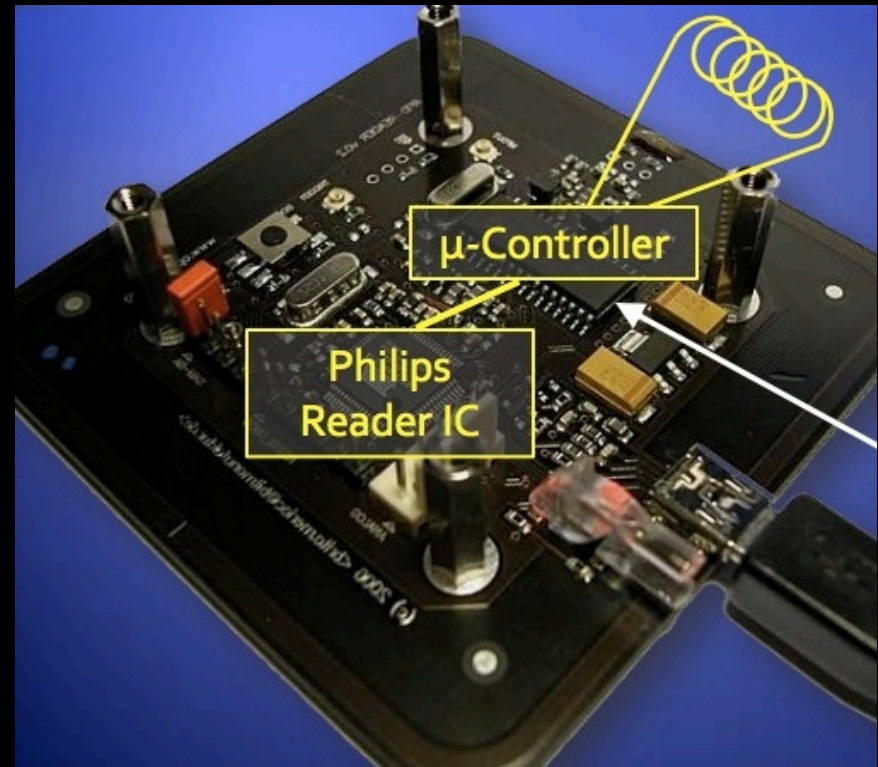
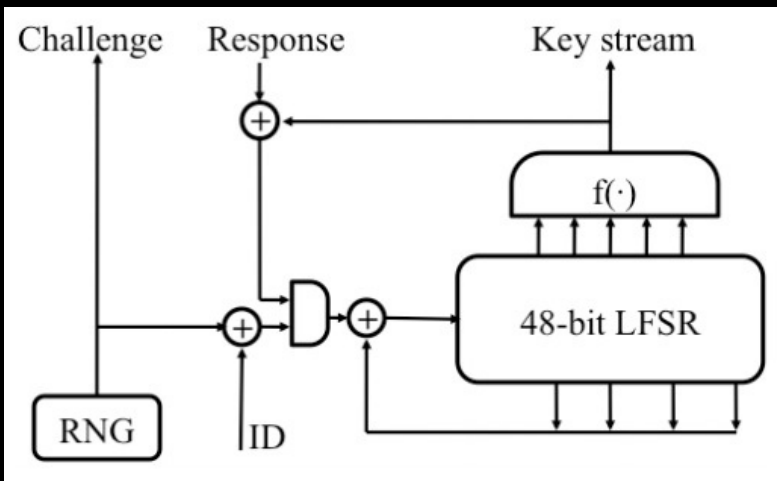
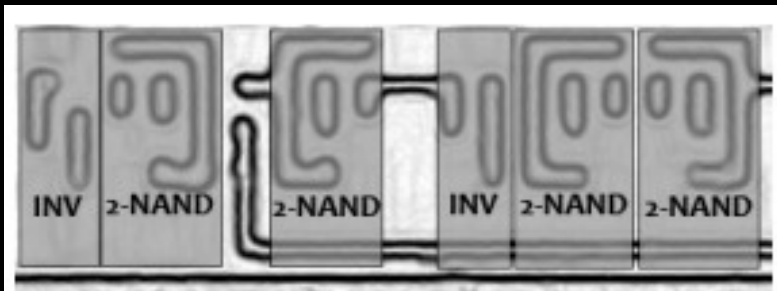
<http://static.usenix.org/event/sec05/tech/bono/bono.pdf>



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2008: Mifare Classic (RFID)

www.cs.virginia.edu/~evans/pubs/usenix08/usenix08.pdf



What Can Be Done?

- Acceptance
 - Admit that security needs to get better
 - Acknowledge that someone might be out to get you
- Education
 - Learn from history...don't repeat the same mistakes
- Awareness
 - Think like a hacker during the design phase
- Dedication
 - Security should be another tool in our toolbox
 - All facets of the organization need to put forth the effort to make products better



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