



Mathew Rowley

How many bricks does it take to crack a microcell?

<http://67.219.122.21/blackhat2012/>

Mathew Rowley @wuntee

- I hate hearing peoples backgrounds... But this is an exception.
- Senior Security Consultant at Matasano Security
- Computer science background - aka software guy
- This talk is is a hardware -> software talk



agenda

my epic battle...

- Focus on different aspects of reversing, not GSM/3G
- Device background
- wuntee vs the network
- wuntee vs the cage
- wuntee vs hardware
 - debug pins, SPI, JTAG, Serial
- wuntee vs software
 - UBoot, Kernel, Firmware

how does the device work?

- Everyone know what a microcell is?
- Web based interface to provision phone numbers that can connect to the device
- Configuration somehow pushed to microcell
- Only those phone numbers can connect

Why?

- Dear Mathew, our cell service sucks - heres something for free that can do cool things
- Was working at Interpidus Group - focus on mobile security
- I do not know much about hardware stuff - have always wanted to learn

wuntee vs the network round 1

network communication

- Routed all traffic through a server running DHCP
- tcpdump shows
 - HTTPS traffic
 - IPSec tunnel
 - Multicast stuff
- MITM with Mallory?

**in the 1st round, with a TKO,
the winner is....
the network**



wuntee vs the cage round 1



disassembly

- 2 screws under the bottom orange part
- Orange part comes off
- Two side panels come off
- Single board connected to the grey portion
- Rip them all off!!
- Can I boot?





**in the 1st round 'the cage'
knocks wuntee down with a stiff
brick to the face, but the battle
is not finished...**

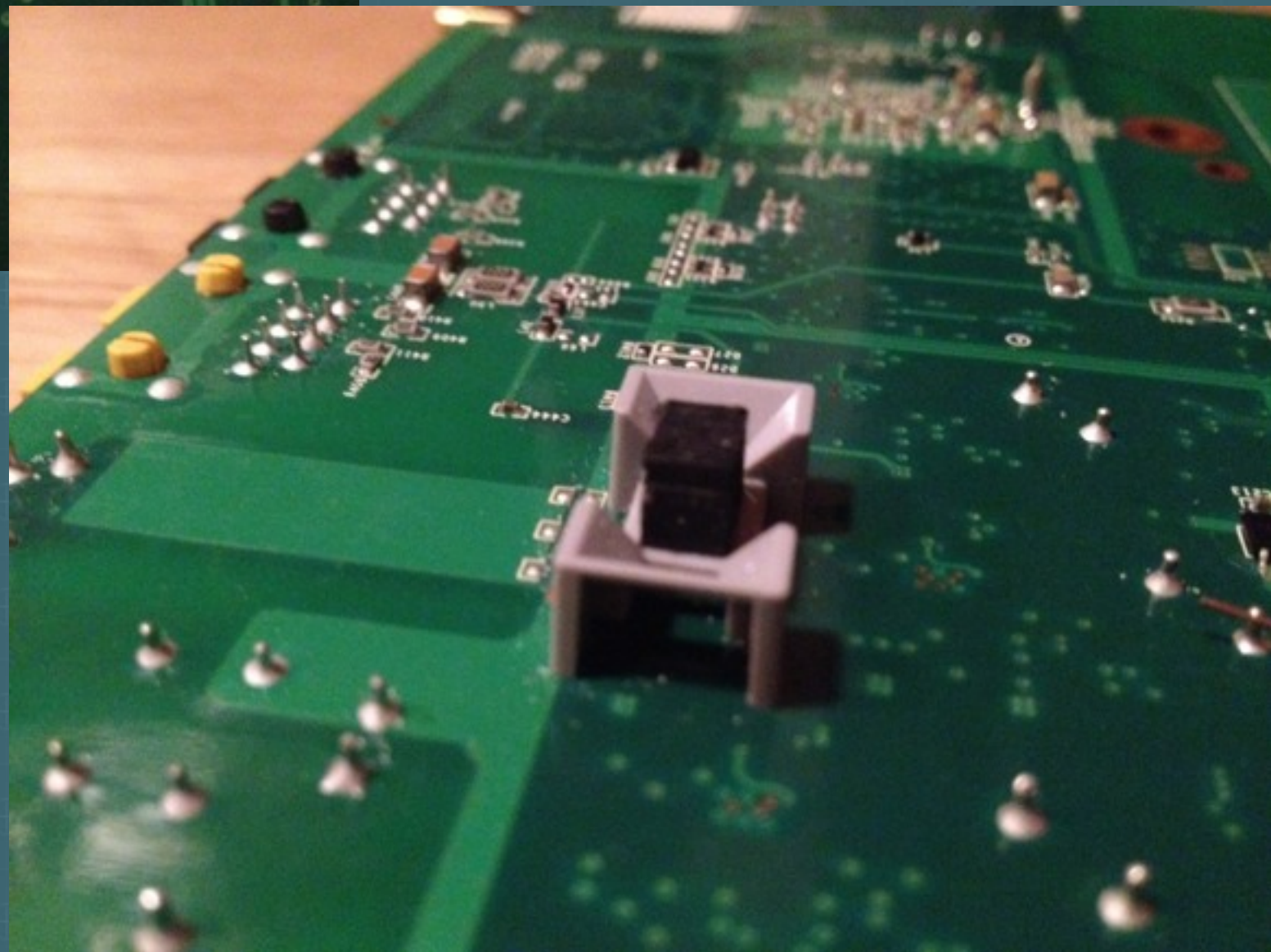
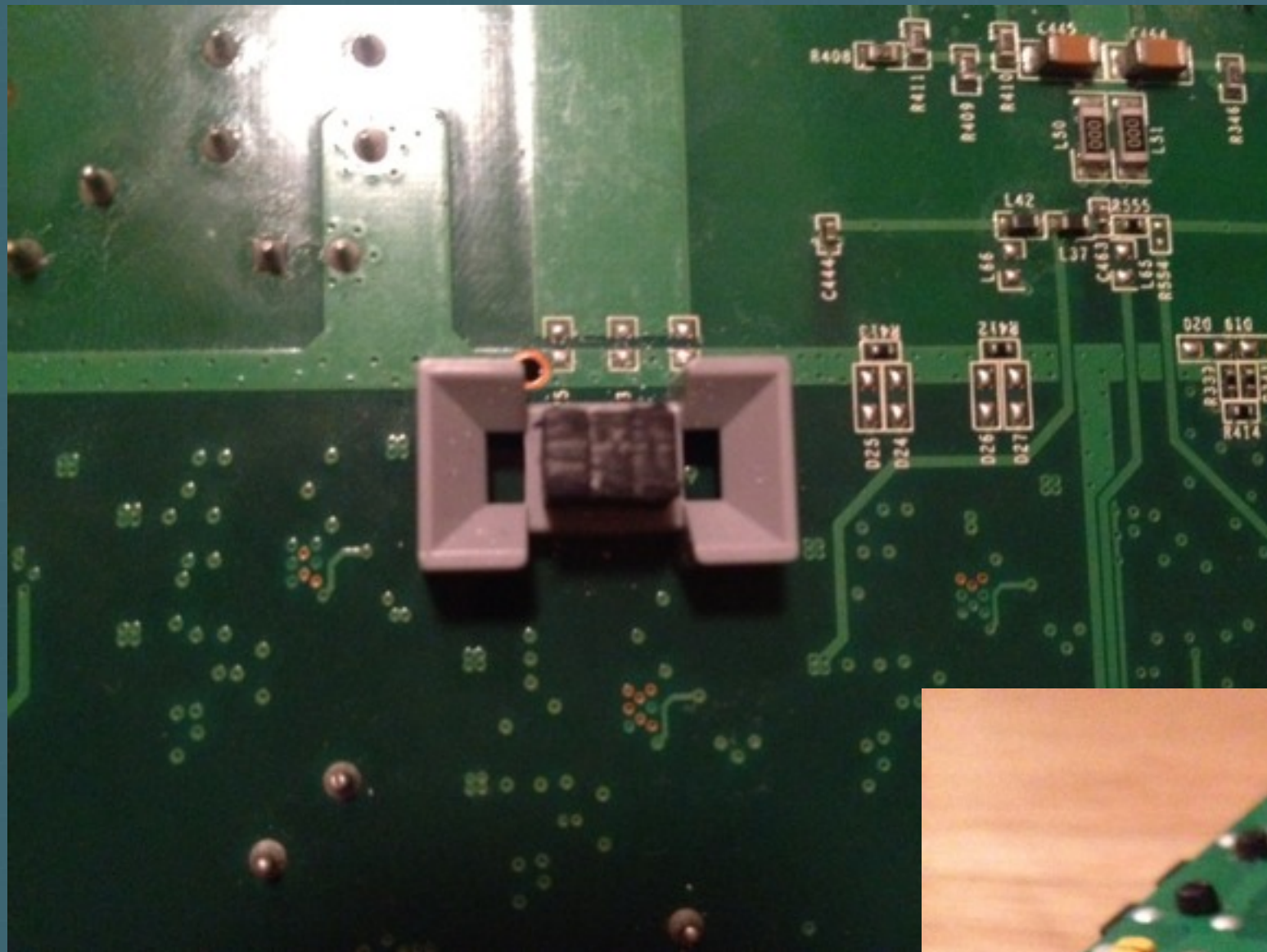


**wuntee's corner convincing
customer service they are still
ok to fight...**





wuntee vs the cage round 2



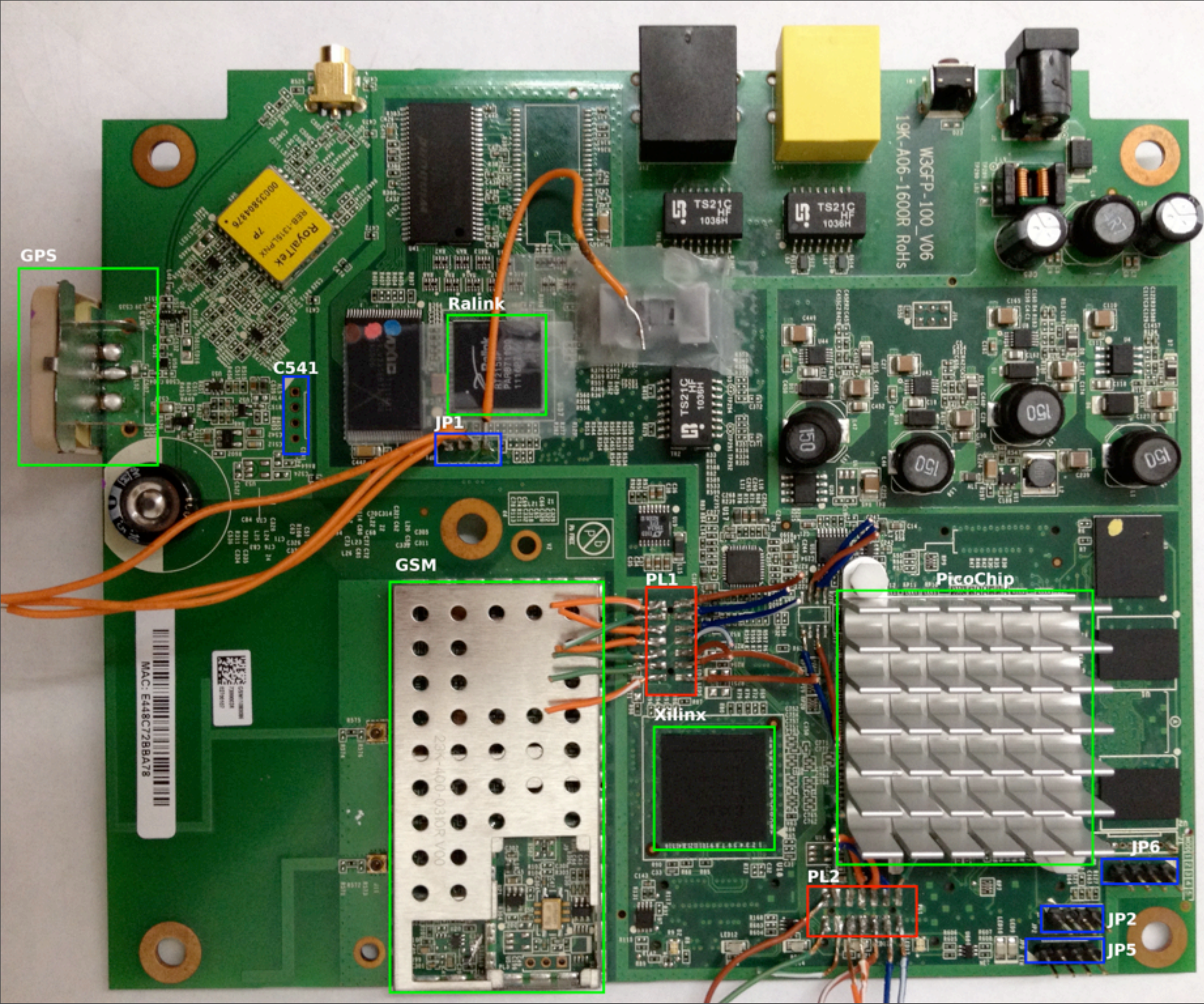
disassembly: wuntee vs Microcell round 2

- Went to Home Depot and purchased a thin saw
- Removed bottom orange part
- Sawed through the things attaching the jumpers
- Removed outer cage
- Powered on just fine



**wuntee utilized the saw to
successfully dismantle 'the
cage'**

winner wuntee

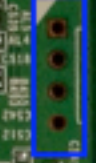


GPS



Royaltek
00033804876
7P
REV. 1.1/16.0/10X

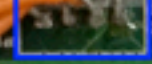
C541



Ralink



JP1

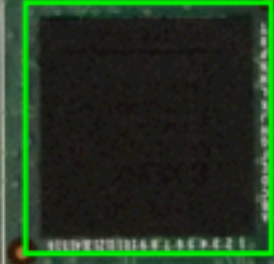


GSM

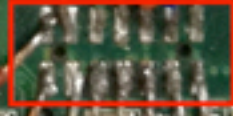
PL1



Xilinx



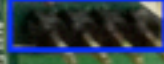
PL2



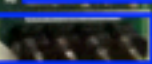
PicoChip



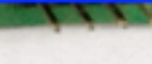
JP6



JP2



JP5

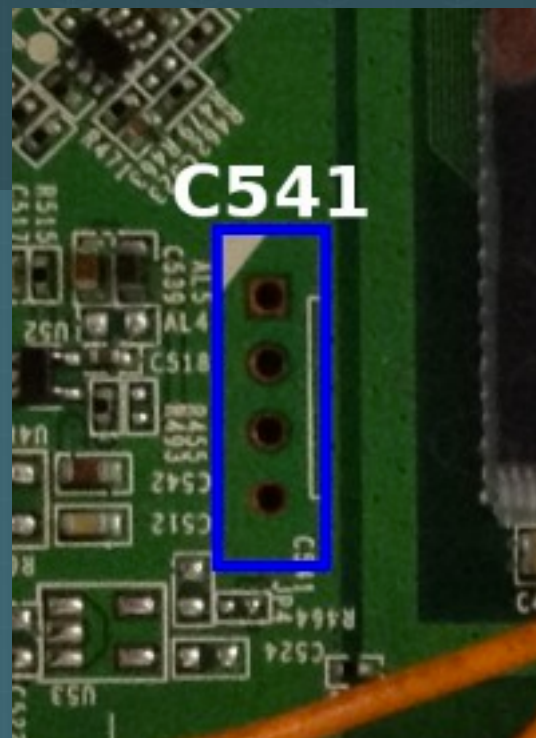


MAC: E448C728BA78

debug pins

- C541
- JP1, JP2, JP5, JP6
- PL1
- PL2

wuntee vs debug pins round 1 - CS541



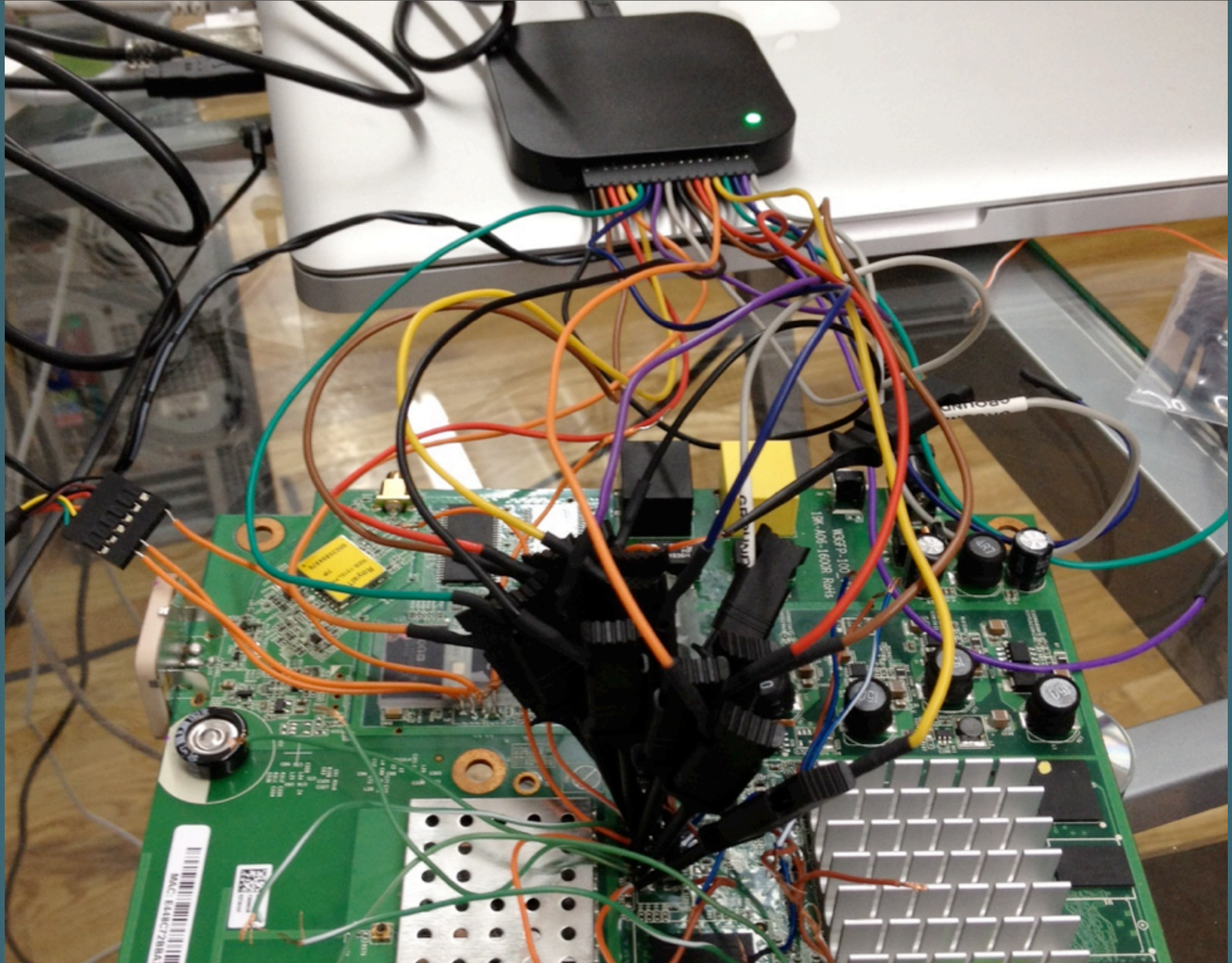
- **Saleae Logic Analyzer 16**

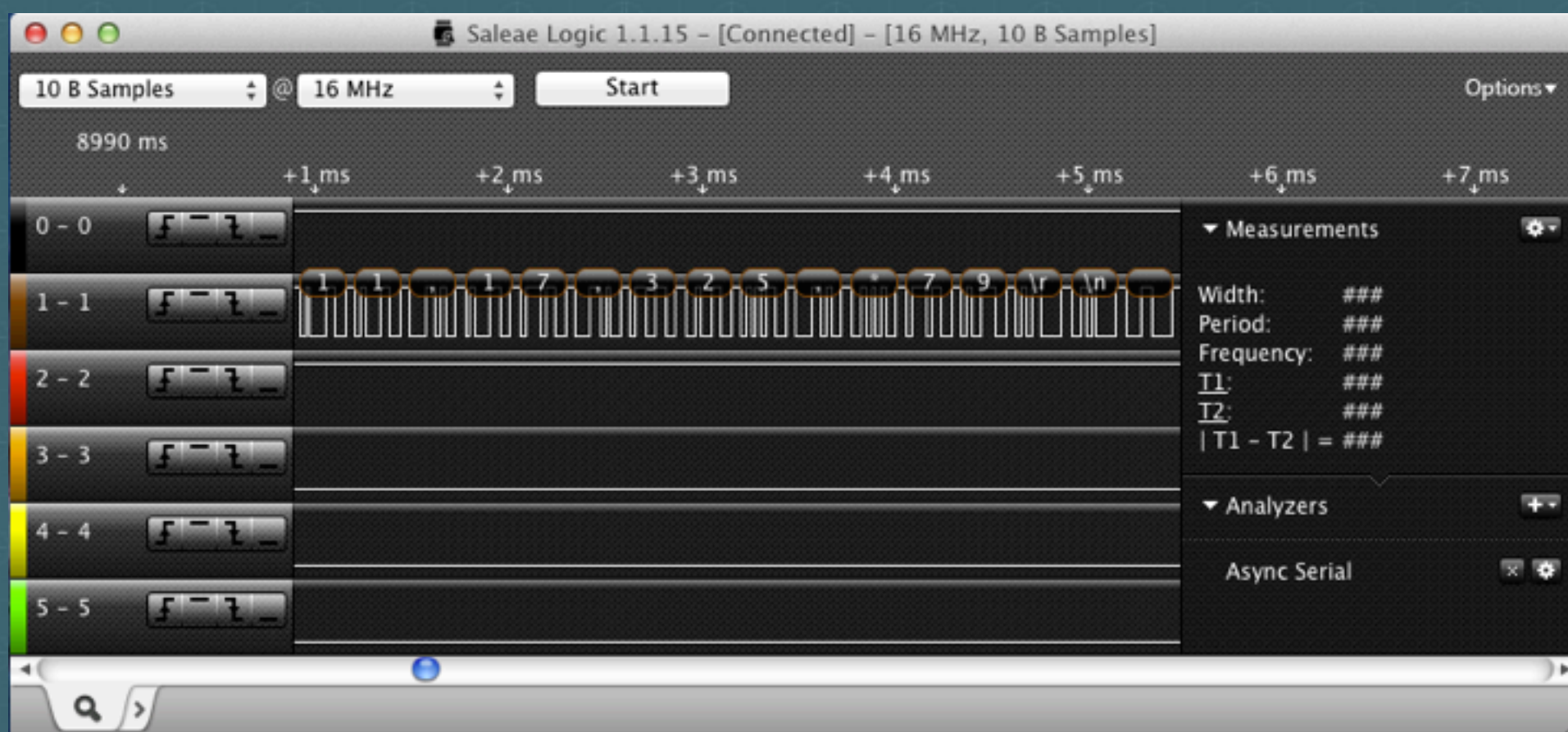
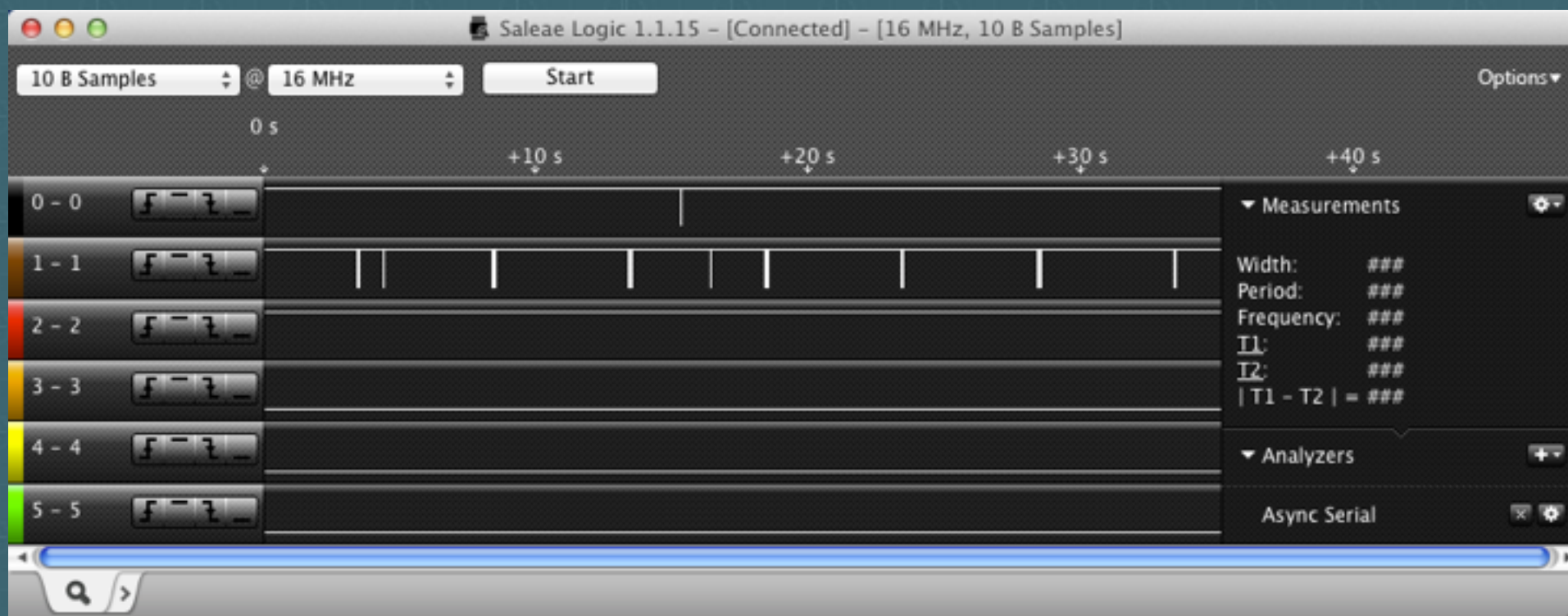
- Ability to monitor pins on a board
- Samples at specific rate/time frame
- Auto analysis



- **Workflow**

1. Multimeter to determine ground and that Saleae wont blow up
2. Plug pins to analyzer and sample at high rate
3. Start the Logic software and plug in the device
4. Stop analyzer after you think some data has been transferred
5. Attempt to "Analyze"



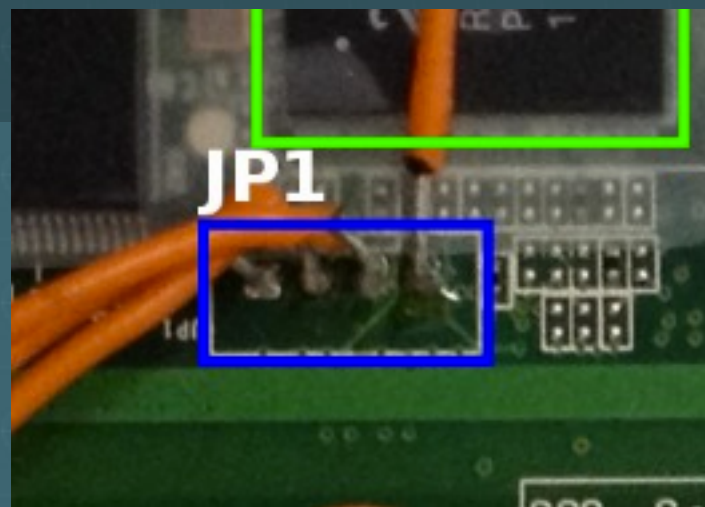


“\$GPGSV32111”

- Google?
- Just GPS related data
- Nothing of interest to me
- Could remove GPS chip and send the correct data to spoof location?

wuntee vs debug pins round 1 draw

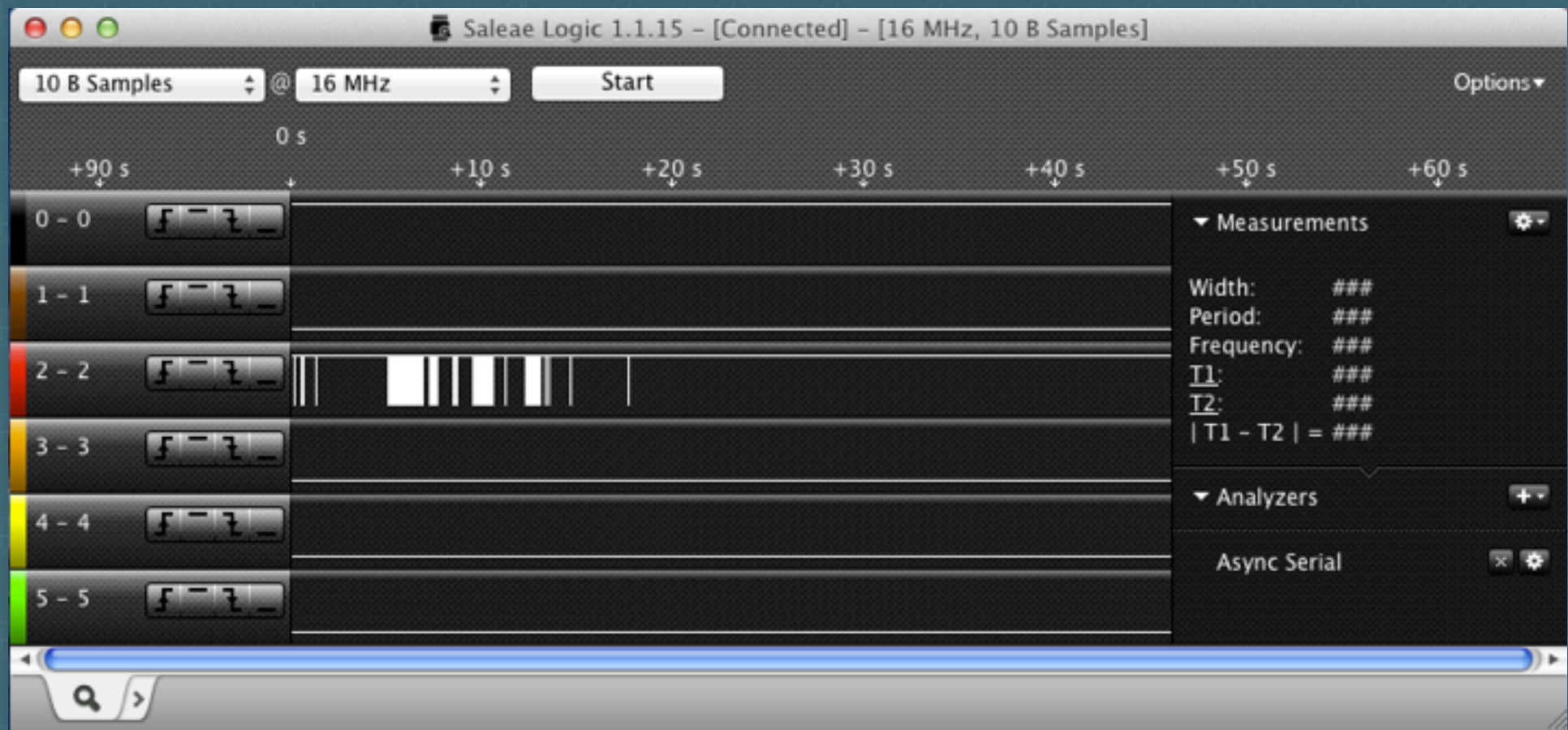
wuntee vs debug pins round 2 - JP1



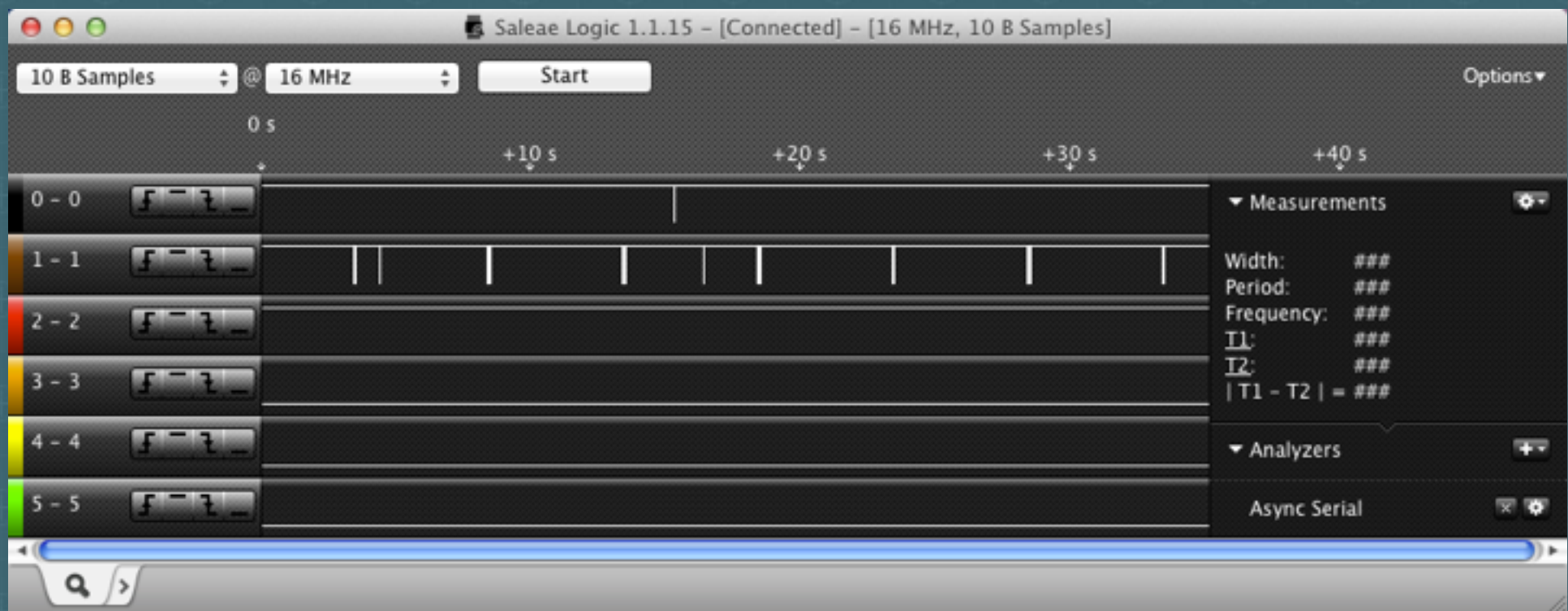
round 2

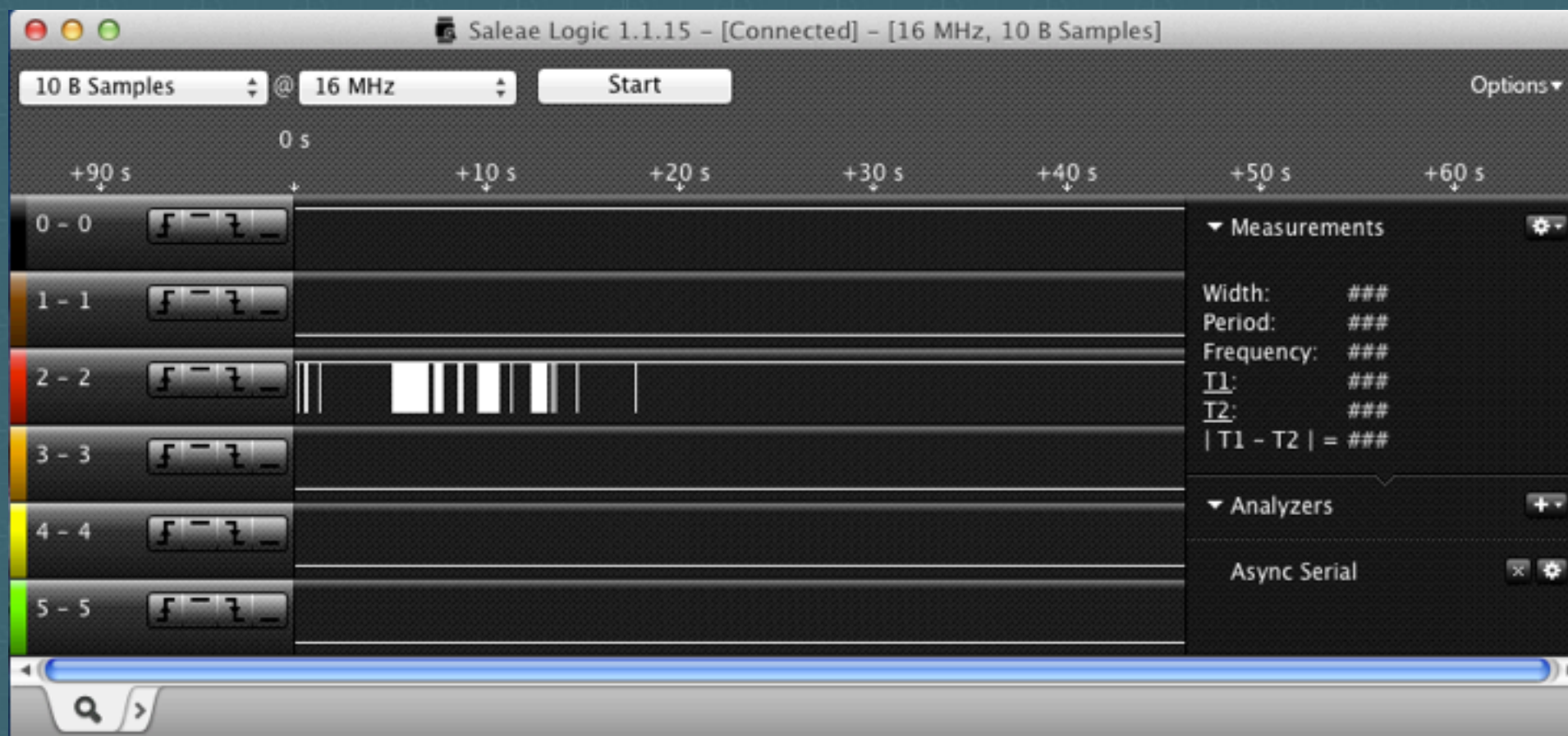
- Same workflow as before, hope for the best...

JP1



CS541





```
Erased '1' sectors
Writing 'to' 'Flash...' done

' 'b_end' '=BF3FFFFFF
Protecting 'sectors' '9..9' 'in' 'bank' '1
Protected '1' sectors
' ' ' ' '

3:' 'System' 'Boot' 'system' 'code' 'via' 'Flash.' 'boot_loc:0' '0xBF040000
##' 'Booting' 'image' 'at' 'bf040000' '...
' ' ' ' 'Verifying' 'Checksum' '...' 'OK
' ' ' ' 'Uncompressing' 'Kernel' 'Image' '...' 'OK
No 'initrd
##' 'Transferring' 'control' 'to' 'Linux' '(at' 'address' '802a0000)' '...
##' 'Giving' 'linux' 'memsize' 'in' 'MB' '16

Starting 'kernel' '...

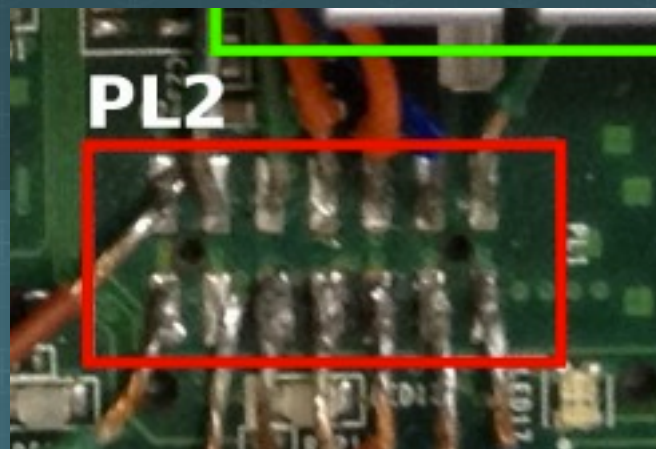
\r\nLINUX' 'started...\r
\n' 'THIS' 'IS' 'ASIC\r\nLinux' 'version' '2.6.21' '(perry@perry-pc)' '(gcc' 'version' '3.3.6)' '#47' '
Thu' 'Mar' '4' '16:17:18' 'CST' '2010\r
```

**wuntee vs debug pins
round 2 - JP1
point wuntee**

wuntee vs debug pins round 3: JP2, JP5, JP6

**wuntee vs debug pins
round 3: JP2, JP5, JP6
draw... no show**

wuntee vs debug pins round 4 - PL2

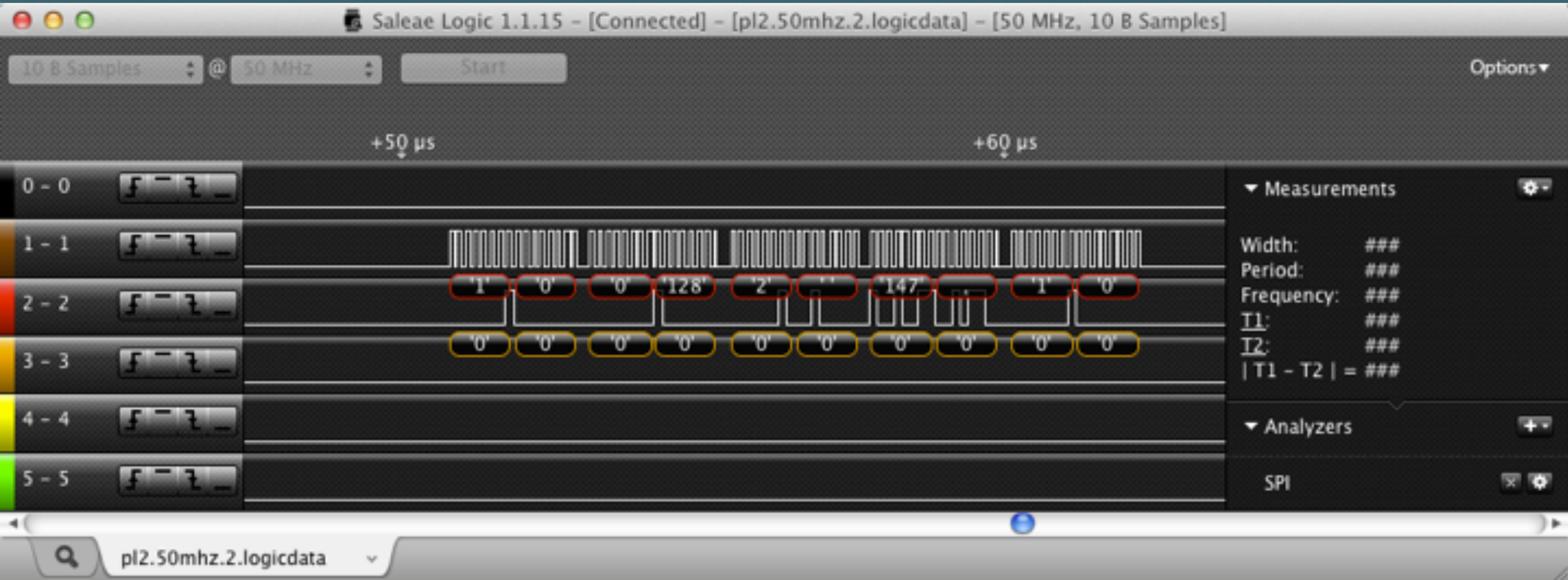


Something different... 3 pins of data?



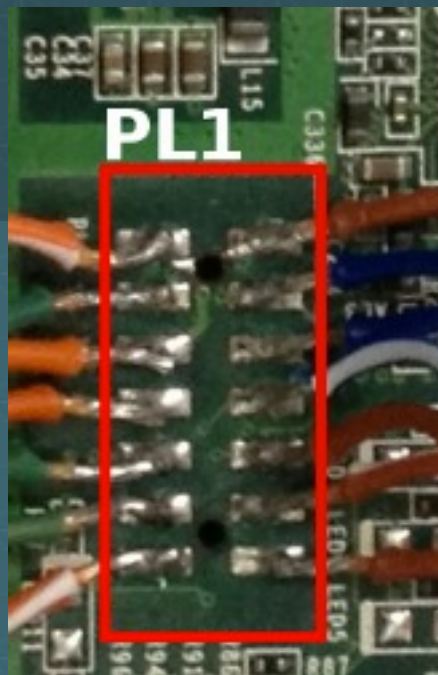
SPI

- Up to 100MHz - must increase sample rate
- Master/slave with multiple slaves
- Four lines
 - MOSI – Output
 - MISO – Input
 - Enable/Slave Select – Determine which slave the master is talking to
 - Clock – Not like your typical metronome clock, but will be explained in the next point
- The clock operates in one of two modes, called CHPA, where the data on one of the lines (MOSI, or MISO) is “read” when the clock is changing from low to high, or high to low. So, if it’s set up on low to high, when you see the line on the clock go from bottom to top, that is when the MOSI and MISO lines are read.



**wuntee vs debug pins
round 4 - PL2
point debug pins**

wuntee vs debug pins round 5 - PL1



PL1

- No data seen with logic analyzer
- However, these 7x2 pins “scream JTAG”

what is jtag?

- Allowed me to dump and update firmware on SurfBoard modems?
- Standard for hardware developers the ability do debug chips that have already been placed on a board.

jtag

- JTAG pins, on their own, do not send any data. AKA – you will not see anything if you only have a logic analyzer connected
- The cable provides the clock signal to the board (presumably that's why there is no data on the pins on their own)
- There are 5 pins that must be connected in order to communicate with a device (VREF, TMS, TCK, TDO, TDI)
- Multiple chips can be “daisy chained” together. Meaning one JTAG plug/pin-out can communicate with multiple chips on a board
- Each chip that is connected in a JTAG chain is called a TAP

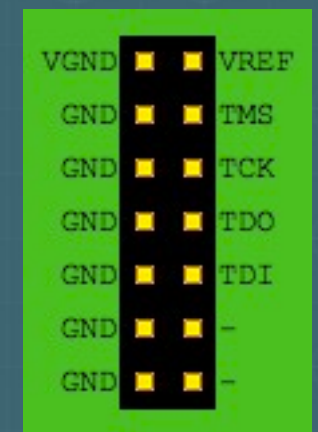
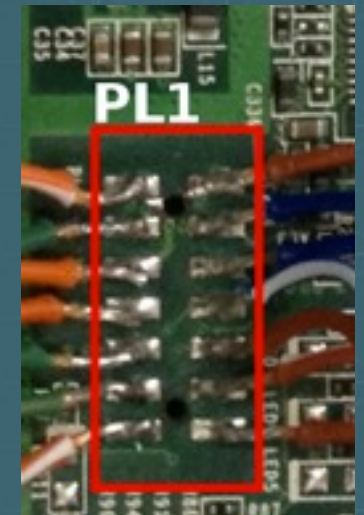
first... hardware/software

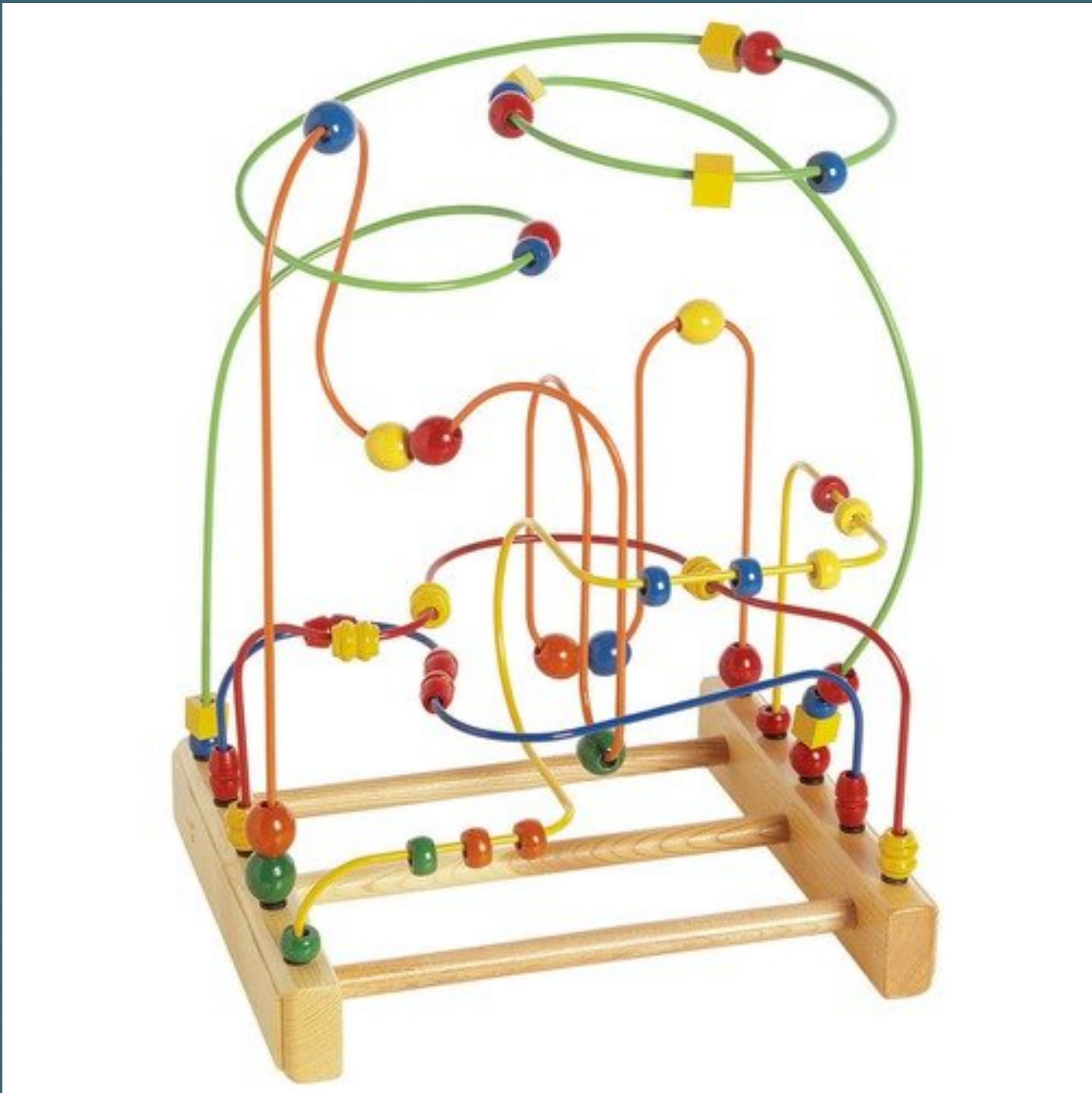
- **Olimex ARM-USB-OCD-H**
 - Docs have JTAG pinout
- **OpenOCD**
 - Open source
 - Supports Olimex cable
 - Ability to auto-discover TAPs
 - Can reliably find TAP ID
 - Unreliably find IRLLEN

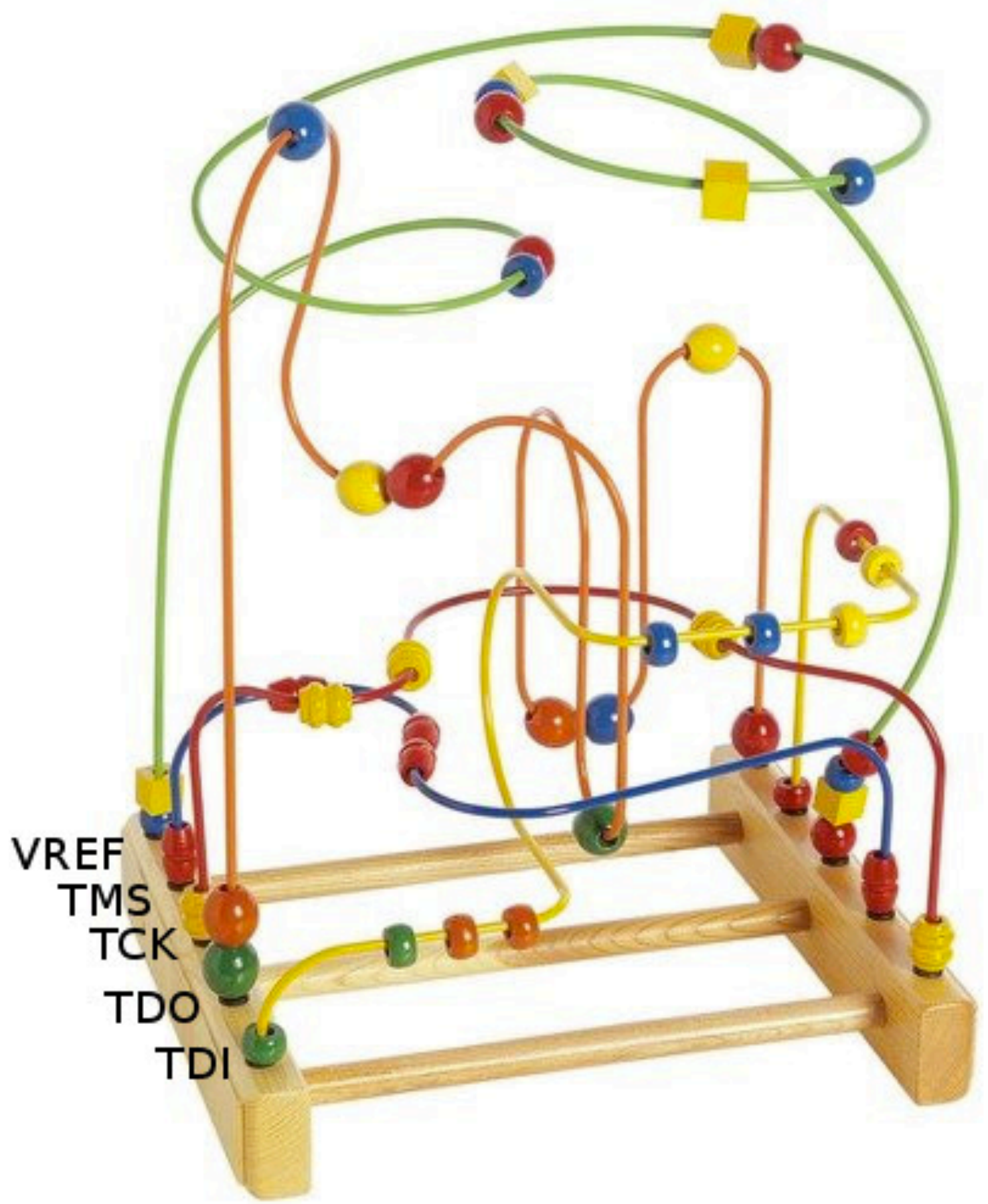


then... pinout discovery workflow

1. If there is data on the pins, then its not JTAG
2. If there is a known configuration for the pins, plug the JTAG up accordingly (as well as the 180 degree flip version as we do not know which is PIN0)
3. Power the device
4. Start OpenOCD software. If it can discover TAPs, then you have a JTAG port







VREF
TMS
TCK
TDO
TDI


```
$ sudo ./openocd -f wuntee.cfg
Open On-Chip Debugger 0.5.0 (2012-07-02-13:56)
Licensed under GNU GPL v2
For bug reports, read
    http://openocd.berlios.de/doc/doxygen/bugs.html
Info : only one transport option; autoselect 'jtag'
3000 kHz
trst_and_srst separate srst_gates_jtag trst_push_pull
srst_open_drain
RCLK - adaptive
Info : device: 6 "2232H"
Info : deviceID: 364511275
Info : SerialNumber: OLUTHMH9A
Info : Description: Olimex OpenOCD JTAG ARM-USB-OCD-H A
Info : max TCK change to: 30000 kHz
Info : RCLK (adaptive clock speed)
Warn : There are no enabled taps.  AUTO PROBING MIGHT NOT
WORK!!
Warn : AUTO auto0.tap - use "jtag newtap auto0 tap -expected-id
0x02220093 ..."
Warn : AUTO auto0.tap - use "... -irlen 2"
Error: IR capture error at bit 2, saw 0x3FFFFFFFFFFFFFFF5 not
0x...3
Warn : Bypassing JTAG setup events due to errors
Warn : gdb services need one or more targets defined
```


next step... configure TAP

- Googling the expected-id reveals this is the Xilinx chip
- OpenOCD TAP configuration needs:
 - expected-id
 - irlen
 - ircapture
 - irmask
- BSDL
 - Configuration file defining how to communicate via JTAG to a specific chip
 - Xilinx provides for each chip version

```
...
attribute INSTRUCTION_LENGTH of XC3S400_BARE : entity is
6;
...
attribute INSTRUCTION_CAPTURE of XC3S400_BARE : entity
is
-- Bit 5 is 1 when DONE is released (part of startup
sequence)
-- Bit 4 is 1 if house-cleaning is complete
-- Bit 3 is ISC_Enabled
-- Bit 2 is ISC_Done
"XXXX01";
...
```

```
$ sudo openocd -f probe.cfg
Open On-Chip Debugger 0.6.0-dev-00603-g43863b6
(2012-07-10-12:01)
Licensed under GNU GPL v2
For bug reports, read
    http://openocd.sourceforge.net/doc/doxygen/bugs.html
Info : only one transport option; autoselect 'jtag'
RCLK - adaptive
3000 kHz
trst_and_srst separate srst_gates_jtag trst_push_pull
srst_open_drain
Info : clock speed 3000 kHz
Info : JTAG tap: unk1.tap tap/device found: 0x02220093 (mfg:
0x049, part: 0x2220, ver: 0x0)
Warn : gdb services need one or more targets defined
```

```
> jtag init
Info : JTAG tap: unk1.tap tap/device found:
0x02220093 (mfg: 0x049, part: 0x2220, ver: 0x0)
```

ok, now what?

- We can communicate with the Xilinx chip via JTAG, however that doesn't really give me much of anything...
- No flash
- No OS
- We can now, maybe, program the FPGA

**wuntee vs debug pins
round 5 - PL1
point debug pins**

wuntee vs software round 1 - uboot

wuntee vs software

round 1: uboot

- Remember JP1? (Linux boot prompt)
- 3v3 USB FTDI cable to pins for two way communication
- Goes through to a "login:" prompt
- Initially I was starting the terminal session after the device started booting so I was not seeing the UBoot procedure
- After a while I noticed a pause in the UBoot procedure...

```
=====
Ralink UBoot Version: 3.7.1
-----
```

```
ASIC 2150_MP2 (MAC to GigaMAC Mode)
```

```
DRAM COMPONENT: 128Mbits
```

```
DRAM BUS: 16BIT
```

```
Total memory: 16 MBytes
```

```
Date:Jan 7 2009 Time:12:26:56
```

```
=====
icache: sets:256, ways:4, linesz:32 ,total:32768
```

```
dcache: sets:128, ways:4, linesz:32 ,total:16384
```

```
##### The CPU freq = 384 MHZ #####
```

```
SDRAM bus set to 16 bit
```

```
SDRAM size =16 Mbytes
```

```
Please choose the operation:
```

- 1: Load system code to SDRAM via TFTP.
- 2: Load system code then write to Flash via TFTP.
- 3: Boot system code via Flash (default).
- 4: Entr boot command line interface.
- 9: Load Boot Loader code then write to Flash via TFTP.

```
<PAUSE>
```



uboot

- Press 4, and you're in the uboot prompt
- HELP - List available commands
 - Read UBoot manual...
- Only option was:
 - MD - Memory Display
 - MD + Screen(for logging) + Ruby = Flash Dump

Thank you ExploitWorkshop.org

Ralink

The full 4MiB [File:MX.raw.bz2](#) dump.

```
0xA0000000 - 0xC0000000      kseg1 unmapped, uncached
0xA0A81000                   phy_tx_ring, size: 16 bytes
0xA0A82000                   phy_rx_ring, size: 16 bytes
0xB0000000 - 0xB0200000      Ralink Registers
0xB0000500                   serial8250: ttyS0 (irq = 37) is a 16550A
0xB0000C00                   serial8250: ttyS1 (irq = 12) is a 16550A
0xBF000000 - 0xBF400000      MX flash device: 4MiB Flash (See 0xBFC00000)
0xBF400000 - 0xBF800000      MX flash device: 4MiB Flash (See 0xBFC00000)
0xBF800000 - 0xBFC00000      MX flash device: 4MiB Flash (See 0xBFC00000)
0xBFC00000 - 0xC0000000      4MiB Flash (MX.raw.bz2)
0xBFC00000 - 0xBFC20000      "Bootloader"
0xBFC00000 - 0xBFC1EF67      U-Boot
0xBFC1E2E4 - 0xBFC1E5B1      U-Boot default config
0xBFC20000 - 0xBFC30000      "Config"
0xBFC20000 - 0xBFC2031B      4d 3b ac 50 62 6f (U-Boot config)
0xBFC24000 - 0xBFC29923      03 92 da de 89 01 (PICO config?)
0xBFC30000 - 0xBFC40000      "Config2"
0xBFC30000 - 0xBFC34E63      03 92 da de 88 01 (PICO config?)
0xBFC3BF2C - 0xBFC3BFFF      68 b4 00 00 10 00 (short switch info?)
0xBFC40000 - 0xBFE20000      "Kernel"
0xBFC40000 - 0xBFDDCA76      27 05 19 56 c0 36 (U-Boot image: "Linux Kernel Image")
0xBFDE0000 - 0xBFDF8A8b      ea 26 a2 8d fb d4 (Kernel.extra1 - unidentified)
0xBFEE0000 - 0xBFE16D6A      8e 98 bc 1b ae 6a (Kernel.extra2 - unidentified)
0xBFE20000 - 0xC0000000      "Kernel2"
0xBFEE20000 - 0xBFFBCA76      27 05 19 56 c0 36 (U-Boot image: "Linux Kernel Image")
0xBFFC0000 - 0xBFFFFED9      38 d6 cd 35 b2 9a (Kernel2.extra1 - possibly lzma compressed squashfs)
```

```
RT2150 # md bfc00000 1000000
bfc00000: 100000ff 00000000 100000fd 00000000 .....
bfc00010: 10000219 00000000 10000217 00000000 .....
bfc00020: 10000215 00000000 10000213 00000000 .....
...
bfffffff0: ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff .....
bffffffe0: ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff .....
bfffffff0: ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff ffffffff .....
```

```
$ ruby memToBin.rb microcell.hex microcell.bin bfc00000 bfffffff0
```

```
$ file microcell.bin
```

```
microcell.bin: data
```



wuntee vs software round 2 - firmware

flash/firmware analysis tools

- strings
- file
- binwalk - steps each byte of a file and basically performs 'file' as if the file started there (configurable magic file)

microcell.bin (full 4mb flash)

```
$ file microcell.bin
microcell.bin: data
```

```
$ strings -n 10 microcell.bin
[nada]
```

DECIMAL	HEX	DESCRIPTION
38193	0x9531	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x80, dictionary size: 807469056 bytes, uncompressed size: 941686944 bytes
53113	0xCF79	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x90, dictionary size: 46923776 bytes, uncompressed size: 36738 bytes
262144	0x40000	uImage header, header size: 64 bytes, header CRC: 0xC0361020, created: Thu Mar 4 03:17:29 2010, image size: 1690167 bytes, Data Address: 0x80000000, Entry Point: 0x802A0000, data CRC: 0x70DC4C09, OS: Linux, CPU: MIPS, image type: OS Kernel Image, compression type: lzma, image name: Linux Kernel Image
262208	0x40040	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x5D, dictionary size: 33554432 bytes, uncompressed size: 3681740 bytes
2228224	0x220000	uImage header, header size: 64 bytes, header CRC: 0xC0361020, created: Thu Mar 4 03:17:29 2010, image size: 1690167 bytes, Data Address: 0x80000000, Entry Point: 0x802A0000, data CRC: 0x70DC4C09, OS: Linux, CPU: MIPS, image type: OS Kernel Image, compression type: lzma, image name: Linux Kernel Image
2228288	0x220040	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x5D, dictionary size: 33554432 bytes, uncompressed size: 3681740 bytes

dd

- Allows you to dump contents of a file from point x to end
- LZMA will decompress regardless if the ending of the file is legitimate
- Of course, the only one that worked was the last one

lzma4

```
$ file lzma4
lzma4: data
```

```
$ strings -n 10 lzma4 | head
__remove_pages
TERM=linux
<4>Parameter %s is obsolete, ignored
<3>Unknown boot option `%s': ignoring
Too many boot env vars at `%s'
Too many boot init vars at `%s'
<4>Malformed early option '%s'
early options
<5>Kernel command line: %s
Booting kernel
```


binwalk

DECIMAL	HEX	DESCRIPTION
43879	0xAB67	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x99, dictionary size: 604110848 bytes, uncompressed size: 134228624 bytes
43991	0xABD7	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xA1, dictionary size: 604110848 bytes, uncompressed size: 272695199 bytes
44055	0xAC17	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xB9, dictionary size: 604110848 bytes, uncompressed size: 134228727 bytes
48415	0xBD1F	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x8D, dictionary size: 604176384 bytes, uncompressed size: 285409297 bytes
211609	0x33A99	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x98, dictionary size: 2883584 bytes, uncompressed size: 270602336 bytes
665349	0xA2705	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xB0, dictionary size: 4456448 bytes, uncompressed size: 539037760 bytes
747221	0xB66D5	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x90, dictionary size: 3538944 bytes, uncompressed size: 5376 bytes
1230829	0x12C7ED	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x90, dictionary size: 1507328 bytes, uncompressed size: 270602368 bytes
1321181	0x1428D0	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x98, dictionary size: 4718592 bytes, uncompressed size: 404820514 bytes
1345045	0x148615	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x98, dictionary size: 4718592 bytes, uncompressed size: 404820514 bytes
1361573	0x14C6A5	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x98, dictionary size: 262144 bytes, uncompressed size: 4800 bytes
2280645	0x22CC5	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x80, dictionary size: 2686976 bytes, uncompressed size: 404821056 bytes
2352340	0x23E4D4	Squashfs filesystem, big endian, lzma compression, version 10281.2560, size: 7304680684267074304 bytes, 1835097973 inodes, blocksize: 1660944384 bytes, created: Sat May 10 19:23:31 2031
2525762	0x268A42	Squashfs filesystem, big endian, lzma compression, version 4598.1432, size: 969631157860134376 bytes, -737483663 inodes, blocksize: -1754829336 bytes, created: Fri Aug 22 18:03:59 2031
2625208	0x280EB8	Squashfs filesystem, big endian, lzma compression, version 28001.24422, size: 7956861085501714028 bytes, 1835097973 inodes, blocksize: 7695986 bytes, created: Fri Jan 23 08:15:17 2026
2625220	0x280EC4	Squashfs filesystem, big endian, lzma compression, version 29556.25970, size: 7956861085501124449 bytes, 1835097961 inodes, blocksize: 1852601088 bytes, created: Mon Mar 30 20:46:26 1970
2625232	0x280ED0	Squashfs filesystem, big endian, lzma compression, version 30062.29285, size: 8286623314368819041 bytes, 1835097958 inodes, blocksize: 1852601088 bytes, created: Thu Sep 14 23:24:48 2028
2650332	0x2870DC	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x80, dictionary size: 536870912 bytes, uncompressed size: 8393935 bytes
2690621	0x290E3D	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x00, dictionary size: 8388608 bytes, uncompressed size: 2129937 bytes
2754996	0x2A09B4	Linux rev 0.0 ext2 filesystem data (mounted or unclean), UUID=1800bd27-e8ff-bd27-1000-bfaff9cc0a0c (huge files)
2890204	0x2C19DC	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x98, dictionary size: 805306368 bytes, uncompressed size: 1 bytes
2890224	0x2C19F0	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x98, dictionary size: 805306368 bytes, uncompressed size: 1 bytes
2899968	0x2C4000	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x5D, dictionary size: 1048576 bytes, uncompressed size: 2862592 bytes

lzma4.18

```
$ file lzma4.18
```

```
lzma4.18: ASCII cpio archive (SVR4 with no CRC)
```

```
$ strings -n 10 lzma4.18 | head
```

```
070701000002D10000A1FF000003E8000003E8000000014B8F6C8A00000000C0000000
```

```
bin/busybox
```

```
070701000002D2000041ED000003E8000003E8000000024B8F6C8A0000000000000000
```

```
070701000002D3000041ED000003E8000003E8000000024B8F6C8A0000000000000000
```

```
070701000002D4000041ED000003E8000003E8000000024B8F6C8A0000000000000000
```

```
070701000002D5000041ED000003E8000003E8000000024B8F6C8A0000000000000000
```

```
070701000002D60000A1FF000003E8000003E8000000014B8F6C8A0000001200000000
```

```
setlogcons
```

```
.././bin/busybox
```

```
070701000002D7000081ED000003E8000003E8000000014B8F6C8500001DF800000000
```

```
ipc_client
```

```
/lib/ld-uClibc.so.0
```



DECIMAL	HEX	DESCRIPTION
880	0x370	ELF 32-bit LSB executable, MIPS, MIPS-II version 1 (SYSV)
6951	0x1B27	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x80, dictionary size: 4456448 bytes, uncompressed size: 4194304 bytes
8688	0x21F0	ELF 32-bit LSB executable, MIPS, MIPS-II version 1 (SYSV)
9520	0x2530	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xCA, dictionary size: 855638016 bytes, uncompressed size: 184549376 bytes
9620	0x2594	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xB9, dictionary size: 2130706432 bytes, uncompressed size: 335544320 bytes
9680	0x25D0	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xC8, dictionary size: 1275068416 bytes, uncompressed size: 973078528 bytes
9716	0x25F4	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xC1, dictionary size: 201326592 bytes, uncompressed size: 1023410176 bytes
180800	0x2C240	ELF 32-bit LSB executable, MIPS, MIPS-II version 1 (SYSV)
198743	0x30857	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x80, dictionary size: 4456448 bytes, uncompressed size: 4194304 bytes
201236	0x31214	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x84, dictionary size: 16777216 bytes, uncompressed size: 50331648 bytes
201864	0x31488	ELF 32-bit LSB executable, MIPS, MIPS-II version 1 (SYSV)
212319	0x33D5F	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x80, dictionary size: 4456448 bytes, uncompressed size: 4194304 bytes
214756	0x346E4	ELF 32-bit LSB executable, MIPS, MIPS-II version 1 (SYSV)
234811	0x3953B	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x80, dictionary size: 4456448 bytes, uncompressed size: 4194304 bytes
239340	0x3A6EC	ELF 32-bit LSB executable, MIPS, MIPS-II version 1 (SYSV)
244008	0x3B928	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xA4, dictionary size: 4587520 bytes, uncompressed size: 4506360 bytes
262691	0x40223	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x80, dictionary size: 4456448 bytes, uncompressed size: 4194304 bytes
265924	0x40EC4	ELF 32-bit LSB shared object, MIPS, MIPS-I version 1 (SYSV)
279964	0x4459C	ELF 32-bit LSB shared object, MIPS, MIPS-I version 1 (SYSV)
298104	0x48C78	ELF 32-bit LSB shared object, MIPS, MIPS-II version 1 (SYSV)
361516	0x5842C	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xC0, dictionary size: 486539264 bytes, uncompressed size: 520093696 bytes
365320	0x59308	ELF 32-bit LSB shared object, MIPS, MIPS-I version 1 (SYSV)
371444	0x5AAF4	ELF 32-bit LSB shared object, MIPS, MIPS-I version 1 (SYSV)
381256	0x5D148	ELF 32-bit LSB shared object, MIPS, MIPS-I version 1 (SYSV)
391120	0x5F7D0	ELF 32-bit LSB shared object, MIPS, MIPS-I version 1 (SYSV)
391252	0x5F854	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xCC, dictionary size: 872415232 bytes, uncompressed size: 100663297 bytes
417868	0x6604C	ELF 32-bit LSB shared object, MIPS, MIPS-I version 1 (SYSV)
418992	0x664B0	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x5D, dictionary size: 1325400064 bytes, uncompressed size: 520093696 bytes
471440	0x73190	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xC0, dictionary size: 1342177280 bytes, uncompressed size: 167772167 bytes
471504	0x731D0	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xE0, dictionary size: 1342177280 bytes, uncompressed size: 100663303 bytes
471536	0x731F0	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0x90, dictionary size: 1392508928 bytes, uncompressed size: 989855751 bytes
471568	0x73210	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xD0, dictionary size: 1358954496 bytes, uncompressed size: 285212679 bytes
471696	0x73290	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xC8, dictionary size: 1358954496 bytes, uncompressed size: 218103815 bytes
471824	0x73310	LZMA compressed data, properties: 0xD8, dictionary size: 1375731712 bytes, uncompressed size: 385875975 bytes

googling strings -> cpio
archive. however.....

googling strings -> cpio
archive. however.....

```
$ file lzma4.18  
lzma4.18: ASCII cpio archive (SVR4 with no CRC)
```

cpio hell

```
$ cpio -it -F lzma4.18  
/init  
/var  
/proc  
/usr  
/usr/sbin  
/usr/sbin/setlogcons  
/usr/sbin/ipc_client  
/usr/sbin/config_server  
/usr/sbin/cs_client  
/usr/sbin/telnetd  
/usr/sbin/udhcpd  
/usr/sbin/rmm_client  
/usr/sbin/chpasswd  
/usr/sbin/ipc_server  
/usr/bin  
...
```

CPIO limitation...

-r (All modes.) Rename files interactively.

```
$ cpio -it -F lzma4.18 | wc -l  
5591 blocks  
208
```

- Yes, there are other ways to do this... I was just too excited

wuntee vs software

round 3 - operating system

Reversing

- **Focus**
 - **sbin/*.sh**
 - **boot procedure**
 - **binaries using '_eval'**

PICO_CONFIG

- **tamper_proof** – this seems to be the configuration of the 'tamper' pins on the front and back of the board. One of the applications actually allows you to set the device in 'learn mode,' which presumably writes the current pin configuration.
- There looks like firmware images on a 192.168.157.186 host
- There is a firewall node that resembles what is being seen at boot

PICO_CONFIG + IPtables boot

```
[ firewall ]--[ pf ]--[ enable ]--[ 1 ]
    [ num ]--[ 3 ]
    [ 0 ]--[ proto ]--[ tcp ]
        [ port ]--[ 80 ]
        [ dstip ]--[ 192.168.157.186 ]
    [ 1 ]--[ proto ]--[ tcp ]
        [ port ]--[ 22 ]
        [ dstip ]--[ 192.168.157.186 ]
    [ 2 ]--[ proto ]--[ tcp ]
        [ port ]--[ 8080 ]
        [ dstip ]--[ 192.168.157.186 ]
    [ 3 ]--[ proto ]--[ tcp ]
        [ port ]--[ 20000 ]
        [ dstip ]--[ 192.168.157.186 ]
[ enable ]--[ 1 ]
[ snat ]--[ enable ]--[ 0 ]
    [ num ]--[ 0 ]
```

```
[FW] [C]iptables -t nat -A PREROUTING -p tcp --dst 0.0.0.0 --dport 80 -j DNAT --to
192.168.157.186:80
[FW] [C]iptables -t nat -A PREROUTING -p tcp --dst 0.0.0.0 --dport 22 -j DNAT --to
192.168.157.186:22
[FW] [C]iptables -t nat -A PREROUTING -p tcp --dst 0.0.0.0 --dport 8080 -j DNAT --to
192.168.157.186:8080
```

```

loc_412328:
la    $a0, 0x460000
nop
addiu $a0, (duord_465A20 - 0x460000)
lw    $a0, (duord_465A20 - 0x465A20)($a0)
la    $a1, 0x420000
nop
addiu $a1, (aIptablesTnat_2 - 0x420000) # "iptables -t nat -A PREROUTING -p %s --d"...
move  $a3, $s5
sw    $s1, 0x48+var_34($sp)
sw    $s0, 0x48+var_30($sp)
sw    $s0, 0x48+var_38($sp)
la    $t9, cs_execute_id
nop
jalr  $t9 ; cs_execute_id
nop
lw    $gp, 0x48+var_28($sp)
b     loc_412254
addiu $s2, 1

```

```

la    $t9, cs_log
nop
jalr  $t9 ; cs_log
nop
lw    $gp, 0x440+var_430($sp)
move  $a0, $s0
la    $a1, 0x420000
nop
addiu $a1, (aDevNull121 - 0x420000) # ">/dev/null 2>&1"
la    $t9, strcat
nop
jalr  $t9 ; strcat
nop
lw    $gp, 0x440+var_430($sp)
la    $v1, 0x420000
nop
addiu $v1, (aC - 0x420000) # "-c"
addiu $a0, $sp, 0x440+var_28
move  $a1, $zero
move  $a2, $zero
move  $a3, $zero
la    $v0, 0x420000
nop
addiu $v0, (aSh - 0x420000) # "sh"
sw    $s0, 0x440+var_20($sp)
sw    $v0, 0x440+var_28($sp)
sw    $v1, 0x440+var_24($sp)
sw    $zero, 0x440+var_1C($sp)
la    $t9, _eval
nop
jalr  $t9 ; _eval
nop
lw    $gp, 0x440+var_430($sp)
lw    $ra, 0x440+var_8($sp)
lw    $s2, 0x440+var_10($sp)
lw    $s1, 0x440+var_14($sp)
lw    $s0, 0x440+var_18($sp)
move  $v0, $zero
jr    $ra
addiu $sp, 0x440
# End of Function cs_execute_id

```

`_eval("sh -c [IPTABLES STRING]")`

back to uboot

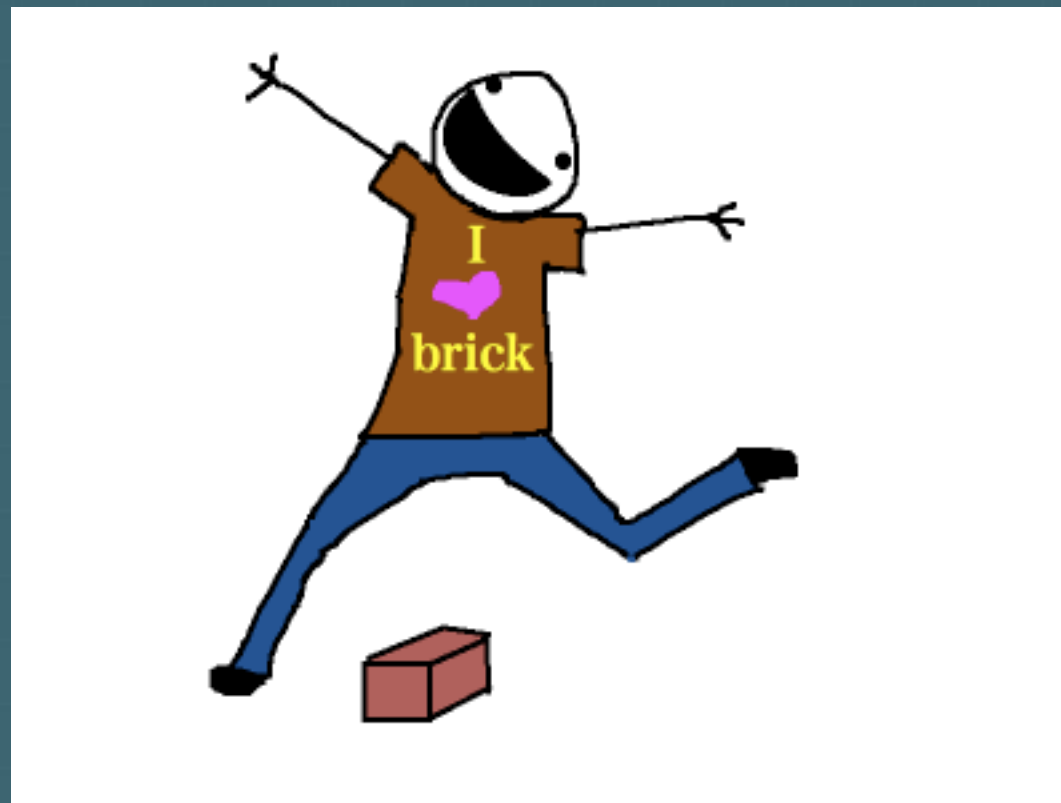
- PICO_CONFIG lives in flash
- MD - ability to display memory...
- MW - ability to write memory
- FAIL... Nothing was working
 - Protect?

uboot memory protect...

```
RT2150 # printenv
bootcmd=tftp
bootdelay=3
...
flash_self=run ramargs addip addmisc;bootm $(kernel_addr) $
(ramdisk_addr)
kernel_addr=BFC40000
u-boot=u-boot.bin
load=tftp 8A100000 $(u-boot)
u_b=protect off 1:0-1;era 1:0-1;cp.b 8A100000 BC400000 $
(filesize)
loadfs=tftp 8A100000 root.cramfs
u_fs=era bc540000 bc83ffff;cp.b 8A100000 BC540000 $(filesize)
...
stdout=serial
stderr=serial
ethact=Eth0 (10/100-M)
```

```
Environment size: 829/65532 bytes
```

u_b = brick #2



wuntee vs software round 3 - linux kernel image

While waiting for a new microcell...

- /etc/passwd - John The Ripper
 - In some weird format I have never seen before (13 characters)
 - No faith
- Loading the kernel image

DECIMAL	HEX	DESCRIPTION
...		
2228224	0x220000	uImage header, created: Thu Mar 4 03:17:29 2010, image size: 1690167 bytes, Data Address: 0x80000000, Entry Point: 0x802A0000, CRC: 0x70DC4C09, OS: Linux, CPU: MIPS, image type: OS Kernel Image , compression type: lzma, image name: Linux Kernel Image

IDA

Disassembly memory organization

RAM

Create RAM section

RAM start address 0x80000000

RAM size 0x382DCC

ROM

Create ROM section

ROM start address 0x0

ROM size 0x382DCC

Input file

Loading address 0x80000000

File offset 0x0

Loading size 0x382DCC

Additional binary files can be loaded into the database using the "File, Load file, Additional binary file" command.

OK Cancel

no function names, but function strings?

Function name	Segment	Start	Length	R
sub_8007A68C	RAM	8007A68C	00000018	R
sub_8007A6A4	RAM	8007A6A4	000000E8	R
sub_8007A78C	RAM	8007A78C	00000034	R
sub_8007A854	RAM	8007A854	00000050	R
sub_8007A8A4	RAM	8007A8A4	000000AC	R
sub_8007A950	RAM	8007A950	0000013C	R
sub_8007AA8C	RAM	8007AA8C	000002FC	R
sub_8007AD88	RAM	8007AD88	000002F8	R
sub_8007B0D4	RAM	8007B0D4	00000080	R
sub_8007B154	RAM	8007B154	000000A0	R
sub_8007B1F4	RAM	8007B1F4	00000088	R
sub_8007B27C	RAM	8007B27C	0000007C	R
sub_8007B2F8	RAM	8007B2F8	00000120	R
sub_8007B418	RAM	8007B418	00000164	R
sub_8007B57C	RAM	8007B57C	00000440	R
sub_8007B9BC	RAM	8007B9BC	00000034	R
sub_8007B9F0	RAM	8007B9F0	0000008C	R
sub_8007BA7C	RAM	8007BA7C	0000011C	R
sub_8007BB98	RAM	8007BB98	00000088	R
sub_8007BC90	RAM	8007BC90	00000110	R

Address	Length	Type	String
RAM:8023...	0000000F	C	blk_do_ordered
RAM:8028...	00000012	C	blk_dump_rq_flags
RAM:8028...	00000010	C	blk_end_sync_rq
RAM:8028...	0000000F	C	blk_execute_rq
RAM:8023...	00000016	C	blk_execute_rq_nowait
RAM:8028...	00000016	C	blk_execute_rq_nowait
RAM:8028...	0000000E	C	blk_free_tags
RAM:8028...	00000019	C	blk_get_backing_dev_info
RAM:8028...	0000000E	C	blk_get_queue
RAM:8028...	00000010	C	blk_get_request
RAM:8028...	0000000F	C	blk_init_queue
RAM:8028...	00000014	C	blk_init_queue_node
RAM:8028...	0000000E	C	blk_init_tags
RAM:8028...	00000013	C	blk_insert_request
RAM:8028...	00000010	C	blk_max_low_pfn
RAM:8028...	0000000C	C	blk_max_pfn
RAM:8028...	00000010	C	blk_plug_device
RAM:8023...	00000010	C	blk_plug_device
RAM:8028...	0000000E	C	blk_put_queue
RAM:8028...	00000010	C	blk_put_request
RAM:8027...	00000011	C	blk_queue_bounce

memcpy

- String at 0x8027CDE8
- Does address exist anywhere else? (using search -> sequence of bytes in ida)

```
RAM:8027CDE8 .byte 0x6D # m
RAM:8027CDE9 .byte 0x65 # e
RAM:8027CDEA .byte 0x6D # m
RAM:8027CDEB .byte 0x63 # c
RAM:8027CDEC .byte 0x70 # p
RAM:8027CDED .byte 0x79 # y
RAM:8027CDEE .byte 0
RAM:8027CDEF .byte 0
```

```
RAM:80276288 .byte 0xC0 # +
RAM:80276289 .byte 0xC8 # +
RAM:8027628A .byte 0xF
RAM:8027628B .byte 0x80 # Ç
RAM:8027628C .byte 0xE8 # F
RAM:8027628D .byte 0xCD # -
RAM:8027628E .byte 0x27 # '
RAM:8027628F .byte 0x80 # Ç
RAM:80276290 .byte 0x60 #
RAM:80276291 .byte 0xCB # -
RAM:80276292 .byte 0xF
RAM:80276293 .byte 0x80 # Ç
```

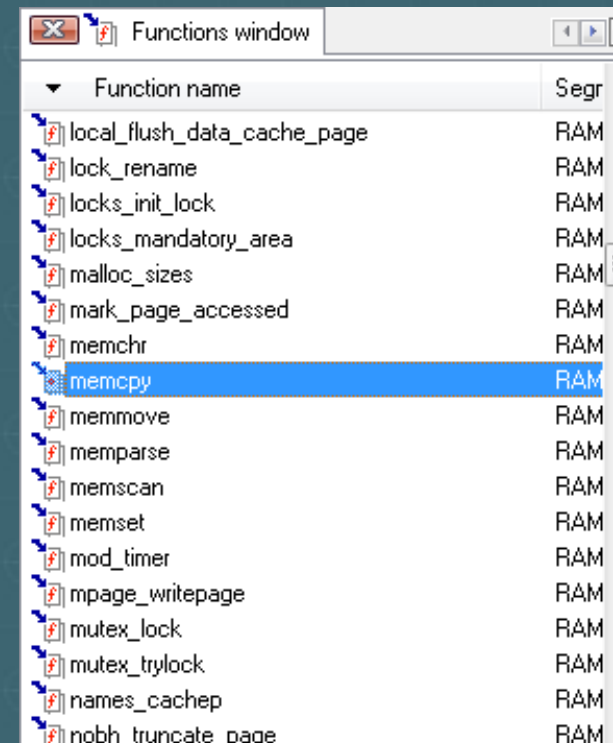

function strings

- Linked list of :
[function_name_pointer][function_pointer]
- Ruby to strip and create IDA script...

```
#include <idc.idc>

static main() {

MakeName(0x8028afc8, "init_mm");
MakeName(0x80383000, "init_task");
MakeName(0x80383008, "system_state");
MakeName(0x8028b4d4, "reset_devices");
MakeName(0x80002c1c, "loops_per_jiffy");
MakeName(0x80004920, "init_uts_ns");
MakeName(0x80384000, "get_surfboard_sysclk");
MakeName(0x80004a2c, "allocate_irqno");
MakeName(0x8038502c, "free_irqno");
MakeName(0x80006390, "pm_power_off");
MakeName(0x8022a380, "__up");
MakeName(0x8022a4d8, "__down");
MakeName(0x80384040, "__down_interruptible");
MakeName(0x80384274, "cpu_data");
```



wuntee vs software round 4 - gpl

GPL

Where specific free/open source license terms (such as the GNU Lesser/General Public License) entitle you to the source code of such software, that source code will be available to you at cost from [COMPANY] for at least three years from the purchase date of your product. If you would like a copy on a CD of such open source code, upon written request and receipt of payment of \$9.99 (to cover shipping and handling costs), [COMPANY] will mail to you a copy. Please send your written request and check payment (payable to [COMPANY]), together with your name, mailing address, email address and phone number to:



email and wait...

- Johnathan the ripper had success... after 7 days
 - root/sshd = 7 character, lowercase a-z

GPL

- `DPH151_V1.0.25-5.tar.gz` – This is the full build chain for the device that will allow you to build an image file for the device on Ubuntu OS. It contains a configuration file that allows full control of what applications are included in the final image.
- `ip.access-AP-IPA1.0-3.zip` – This seems to be source code for another (PICO) processor on the board. It does not contain a full build chain. It is just the source code for specific packages and patches, as well as the licenses for the associated packages.

RALink Internals

- Architecture - GPIO to boot pico, DHCPD 192.168.157.185/30
- IPTables - NATs 80, 22, 8080 to .186(pico)
- ipcserver - Router/PICO IPC mechanism
- wizard - Remote commands via multicast
- cfg_flash - backdoor
 - `cfg_flash -s -n backdoor -v 1` = bind telnet to 0.0.0.0

wizard

- <http://fail0verflow.com> - Remote commands via multicast/BackdoorPacketCmdLine_Req
 - That was intended developer functionality
 - If devs were smart, they would remove that function... however

BackdoorPacketLoadSerialNum_Ack



```
loc_402978:
la    $a0, 0x400000
nop
addiu $a0, (aUsrSbinCs_cl_7 - 0x400000) # "/usr/sbin/cs_client set sys/serial_num "...
la    $t9, evalsh
nop
jalr  $t9 ; evalsh aUsrSbinCs_cl_7:.ascii "/usr/sbin/cs_client set sys/ser...
      .ascii "ial_num %s"<0>
nop
lw    $gp, 0x30+var_18($sp)
nop
la    $a0, 0x400000
nop
addiu $a0, (aUsrSbinCs_cl_3 - 0x400000) # "/usr/sbin/cs_client commit"
la    $t9, evalsh
nop
jalr  $t9 ; evalsh
nop
```

wuntee vs microcell
winner wuntee!



how many bricks did it take?



thanks

- rajendra umadas - intrepidus group
- jeremy allen - intrepidus group
- cory benninger - intrepidus group
- kurt rosenfeld
- andrew zonenberg - rensselaer polytechnic institute
- travis goodspeed

questions?

mathew rowley

mathew@matasano.com

@wuntee

<http://www.matasano.com/research/>

<http://67.219.122.21/blackhat2012/>

