

# INJECTYLL-HIDE

Pushing the Future of Hardware Implants to  
the Next Level

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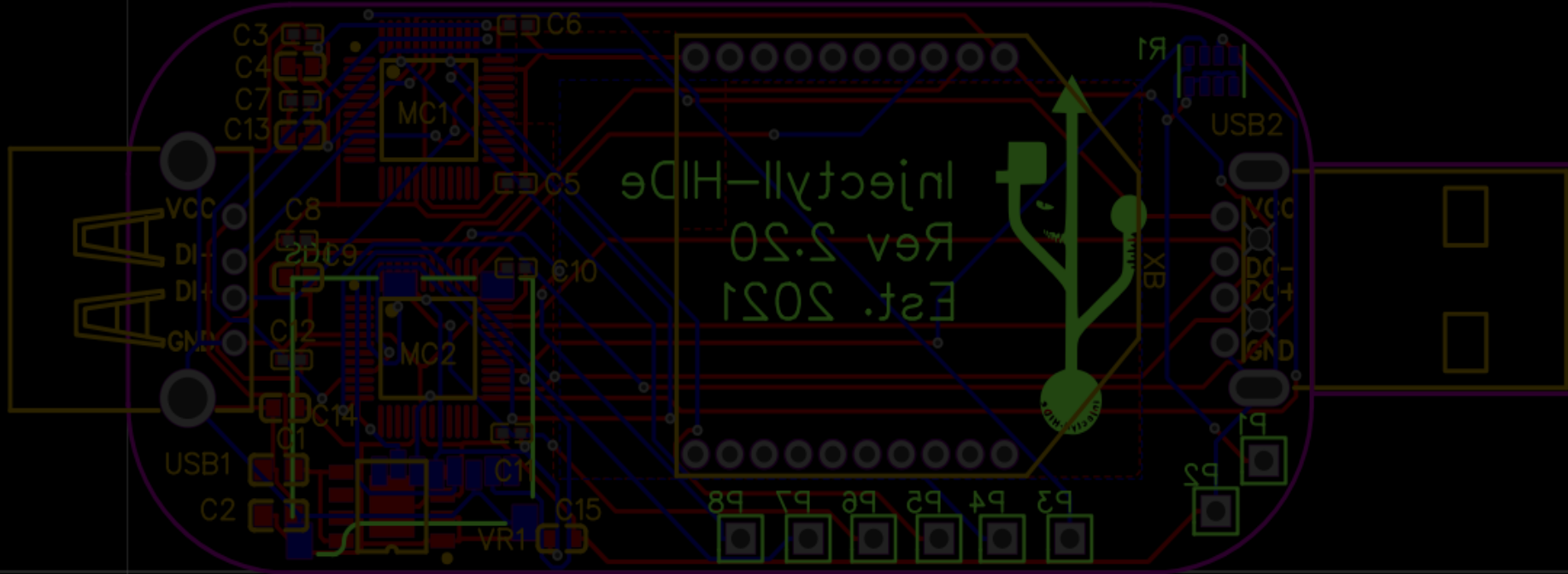
## Jeremy Miller

- 12+ years in InfoSec
- Red Team
- Blue Team
- Security Research
- Security Engineering
- Retail, Financial, Hosting, R&D Life Sciences.

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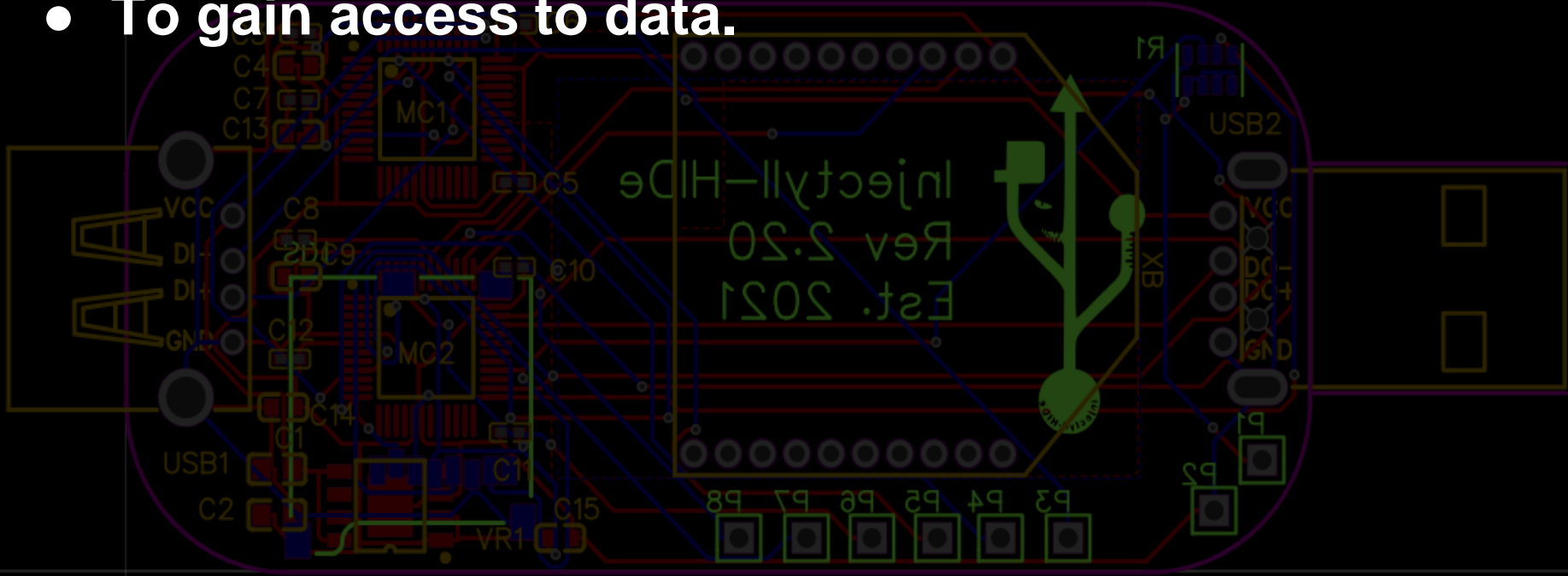
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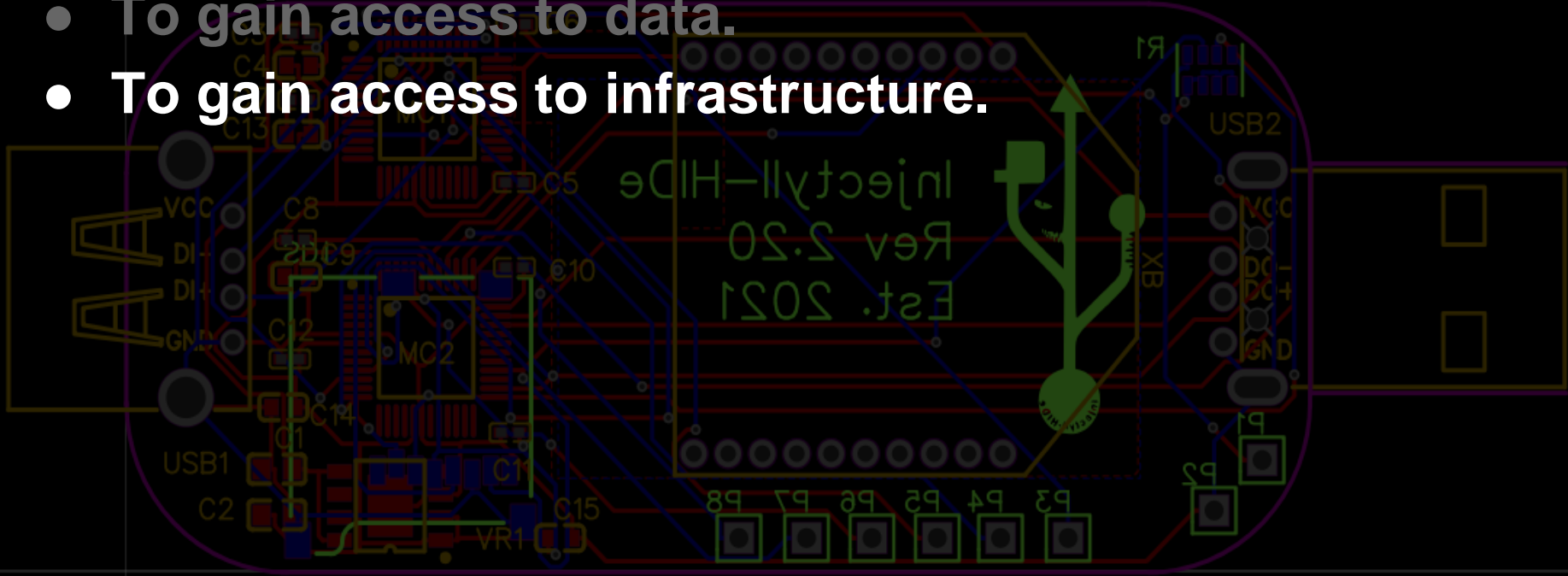
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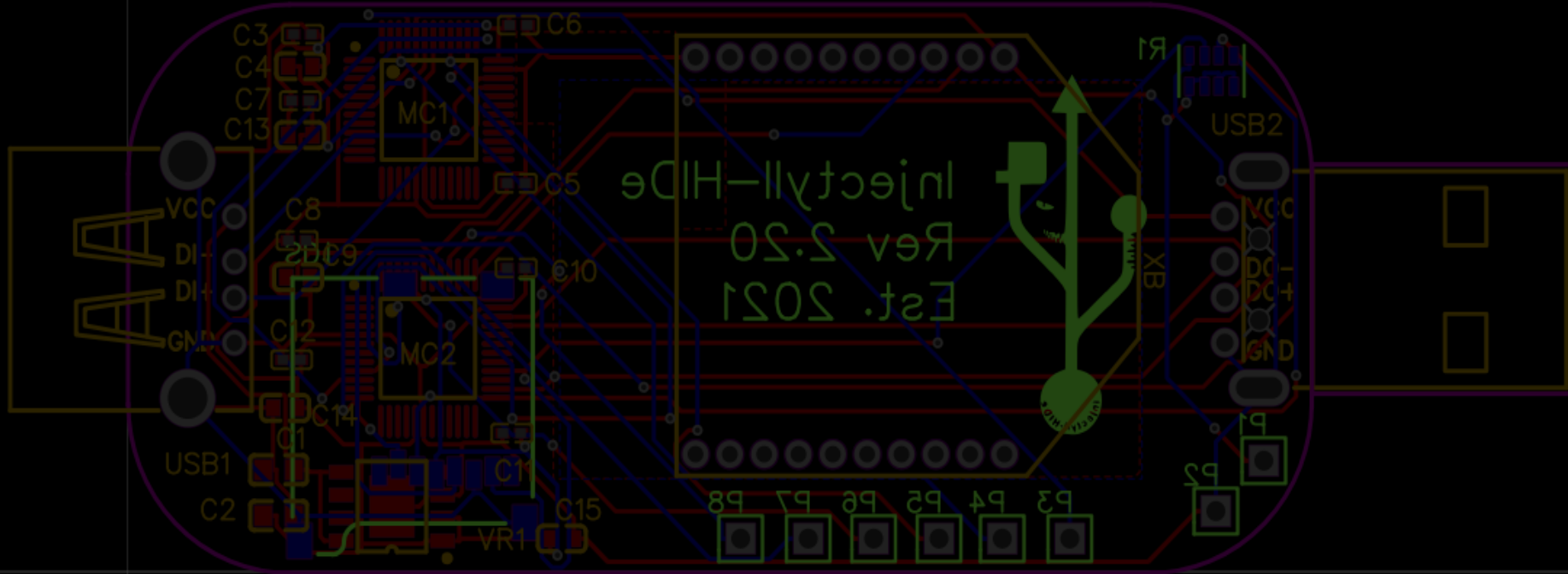


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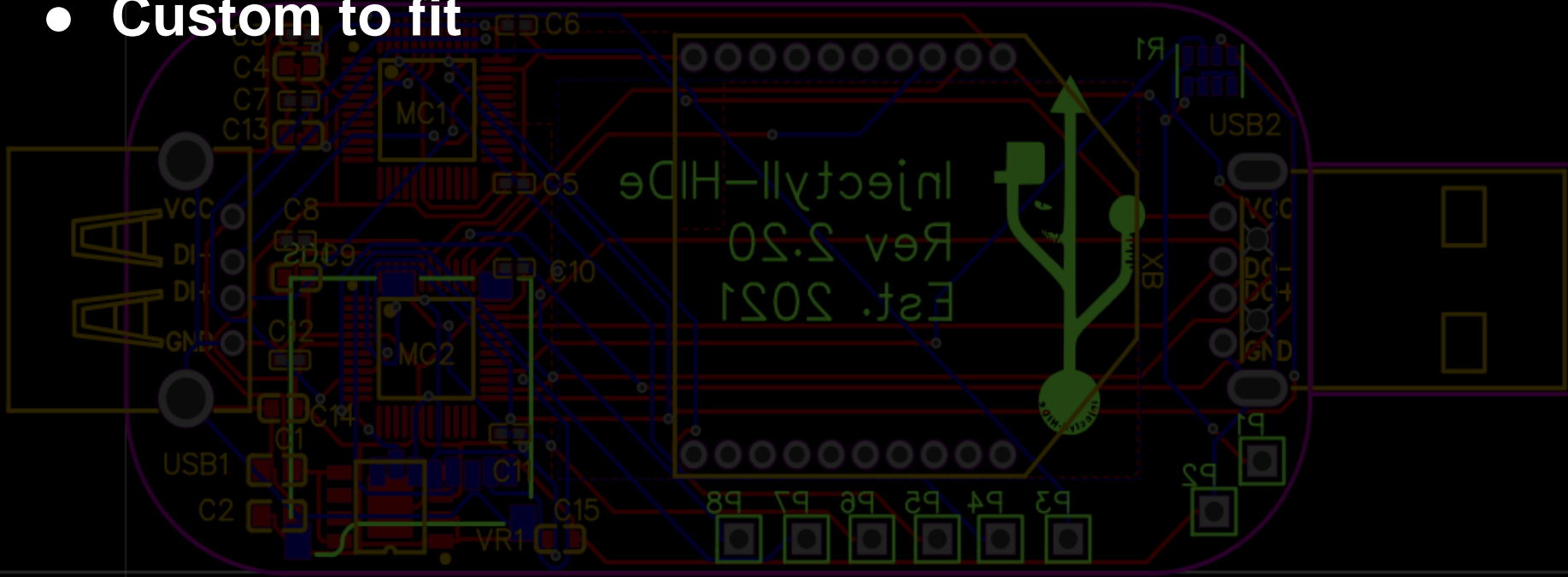
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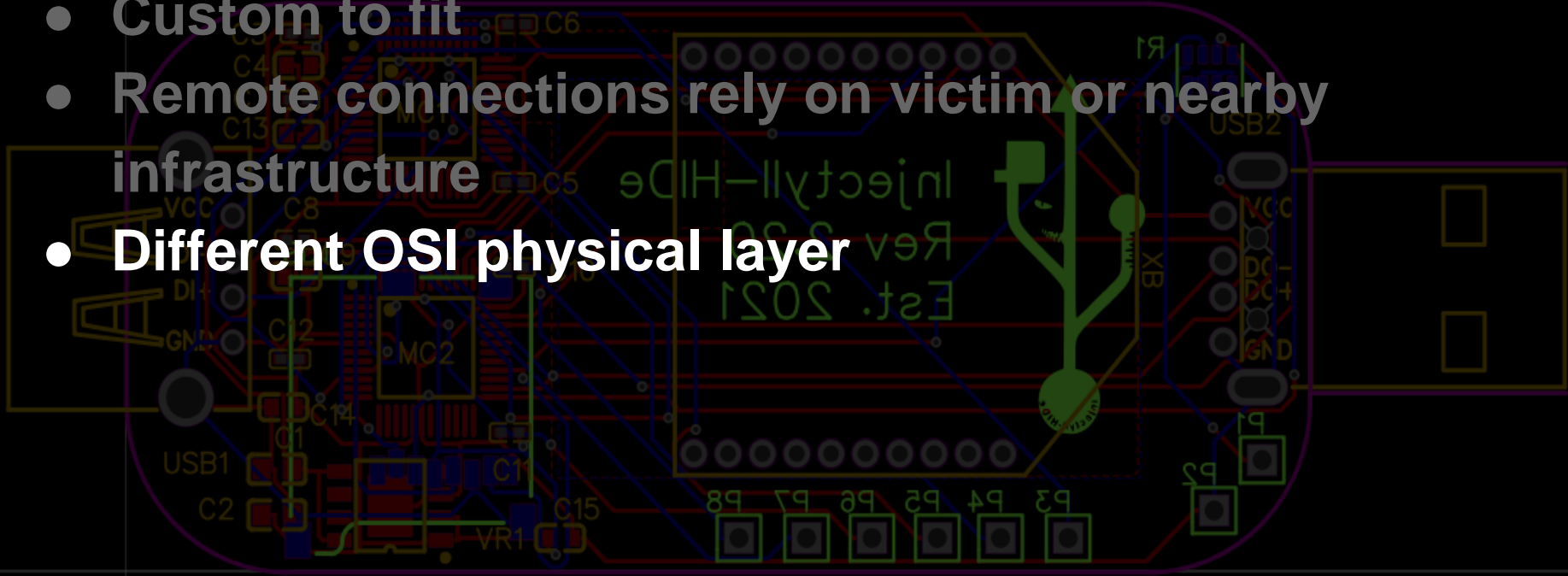
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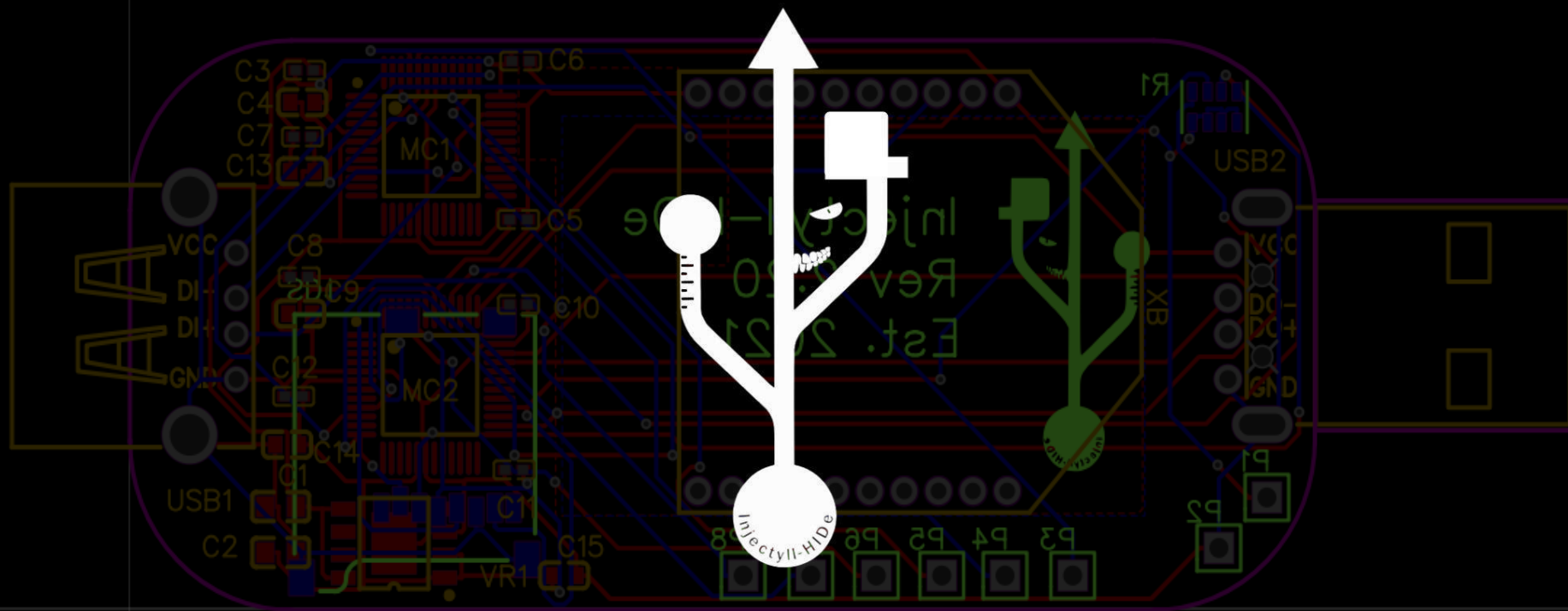
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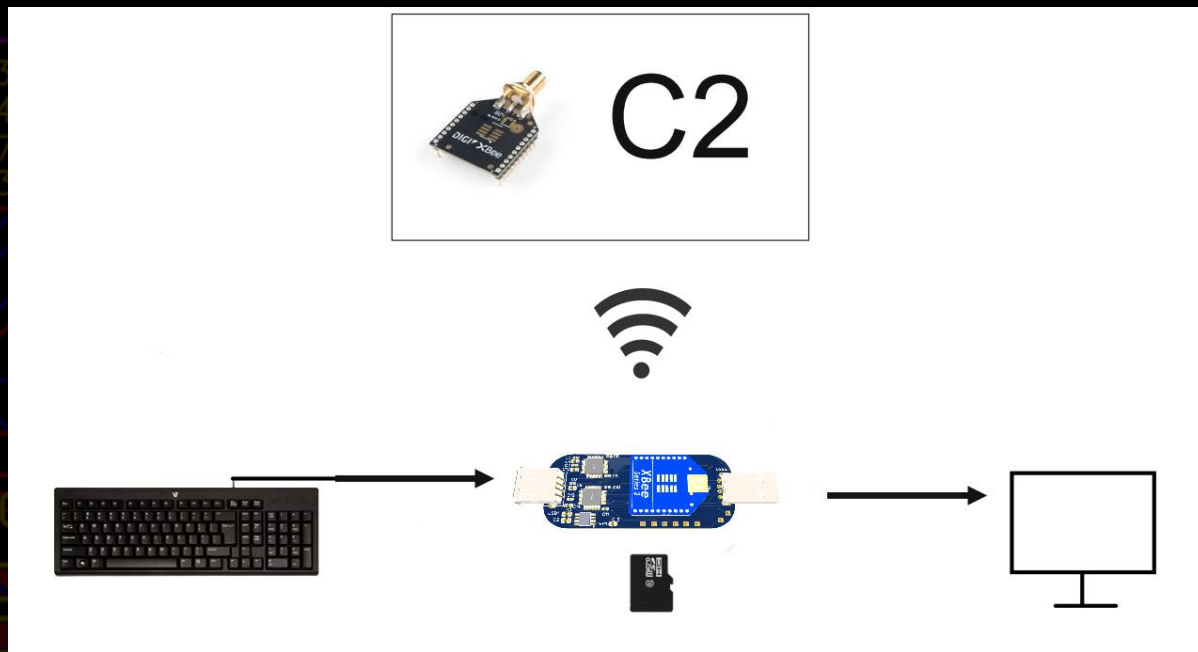


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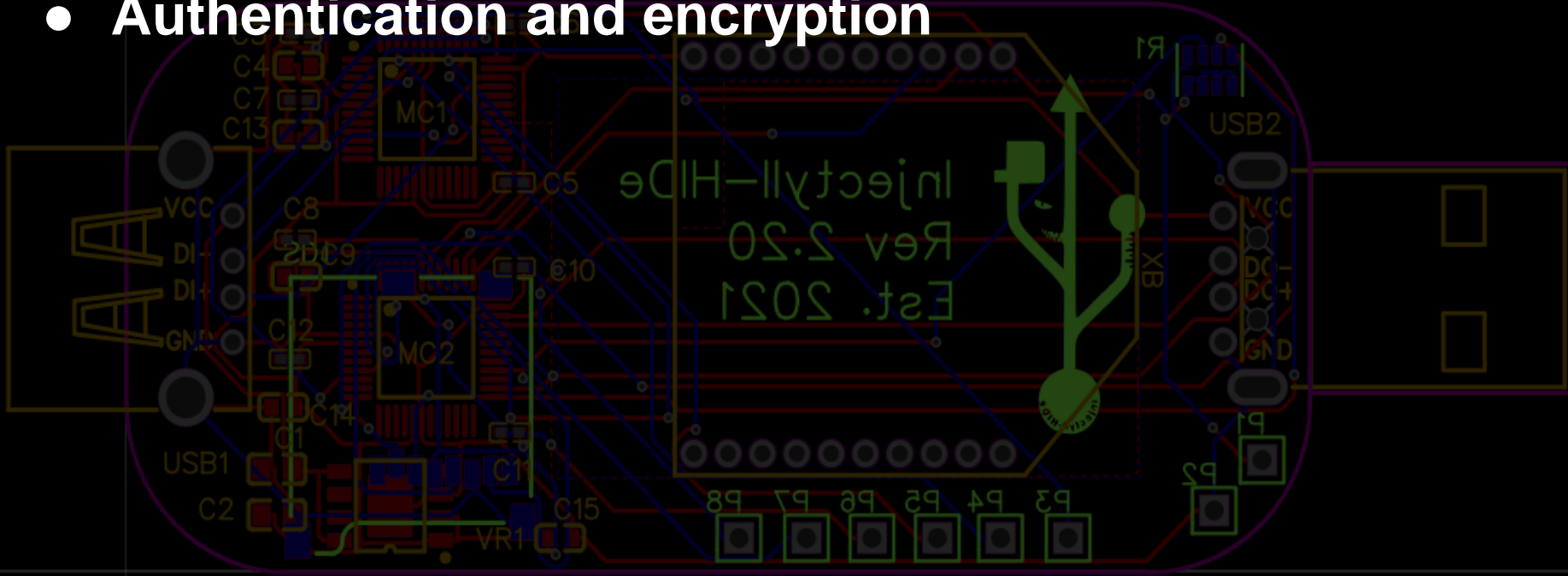
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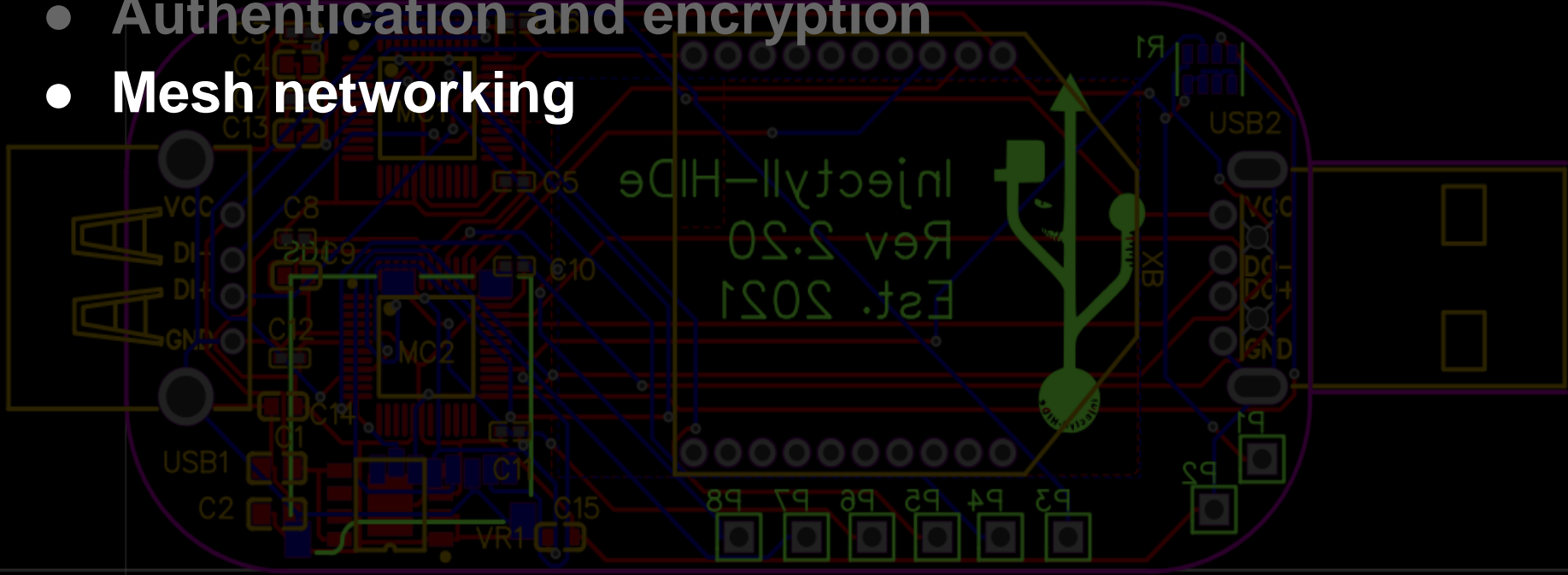
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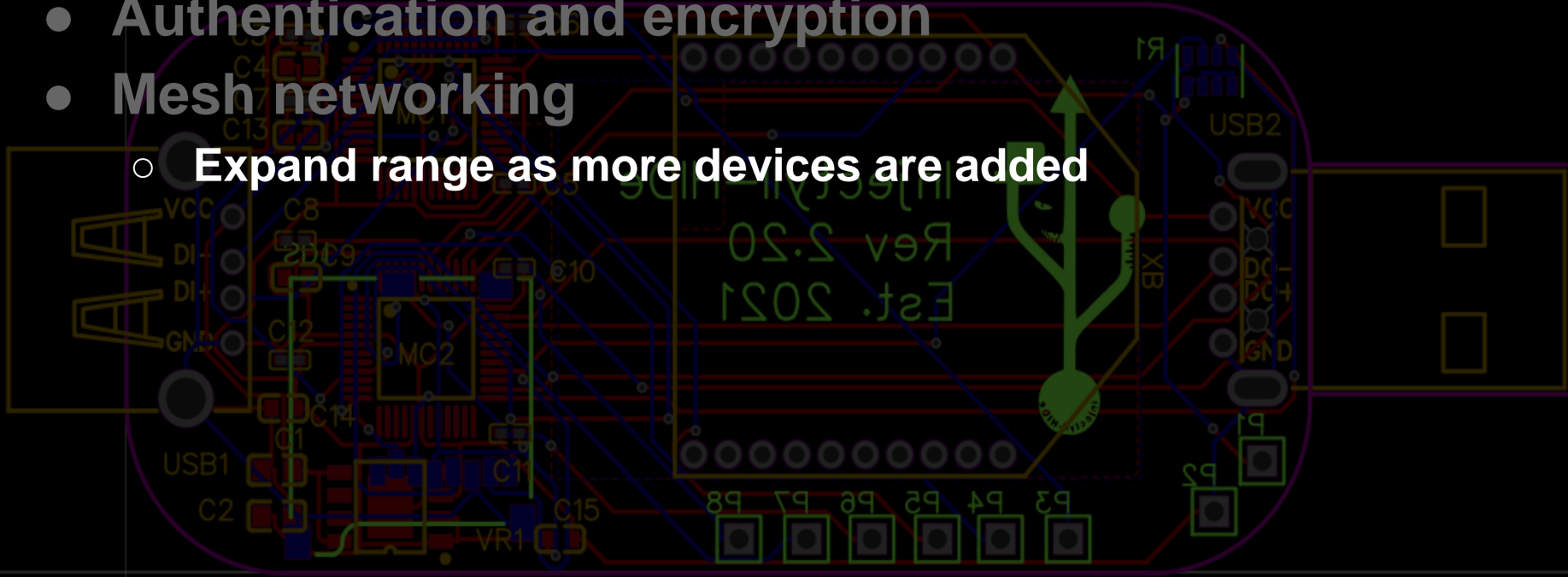
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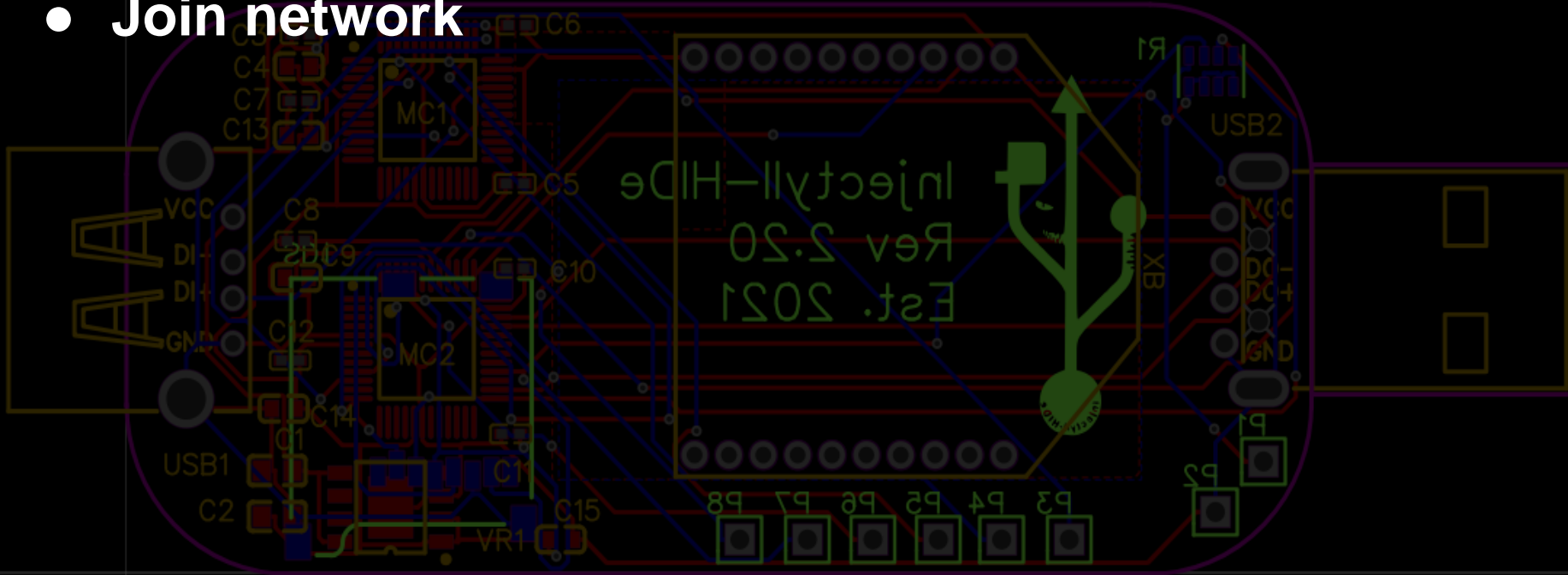
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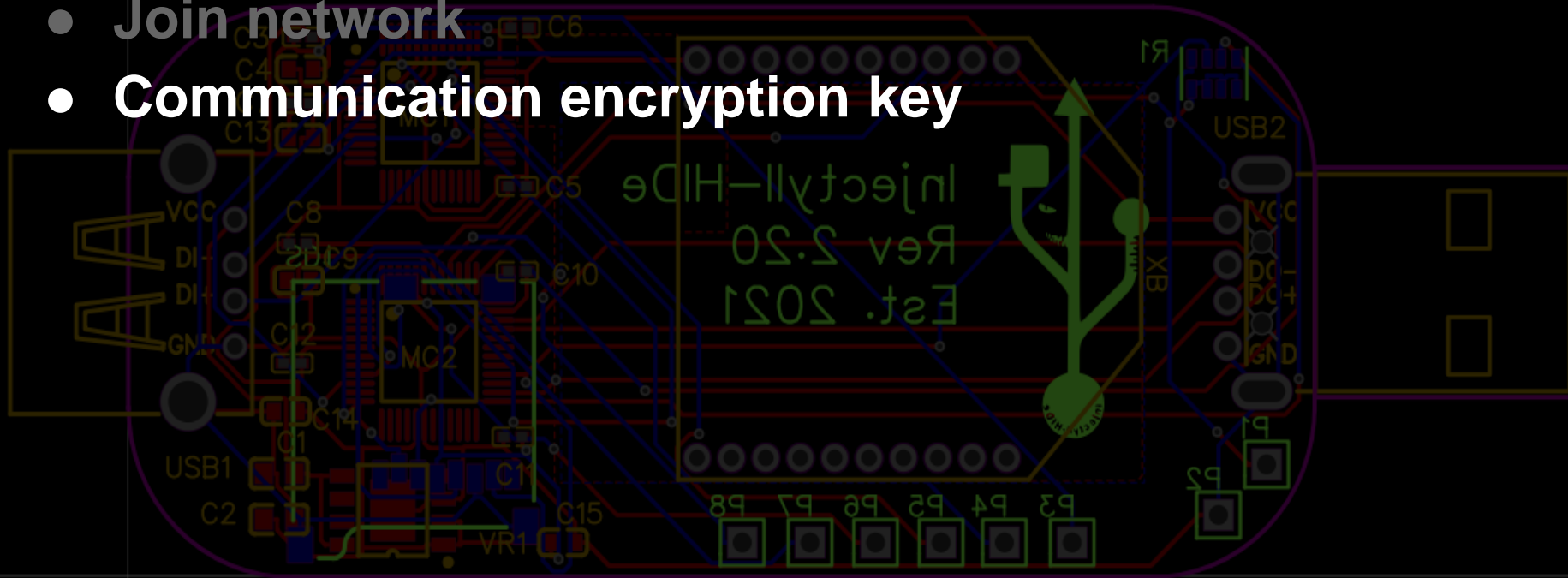
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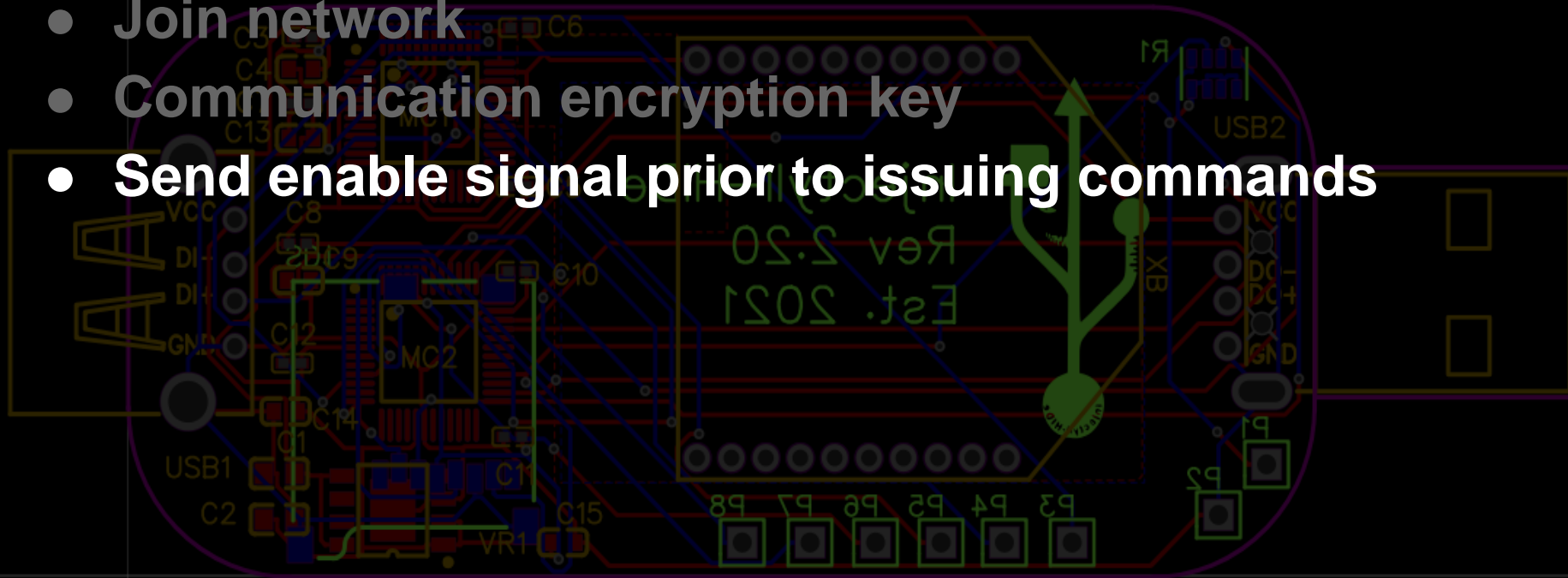
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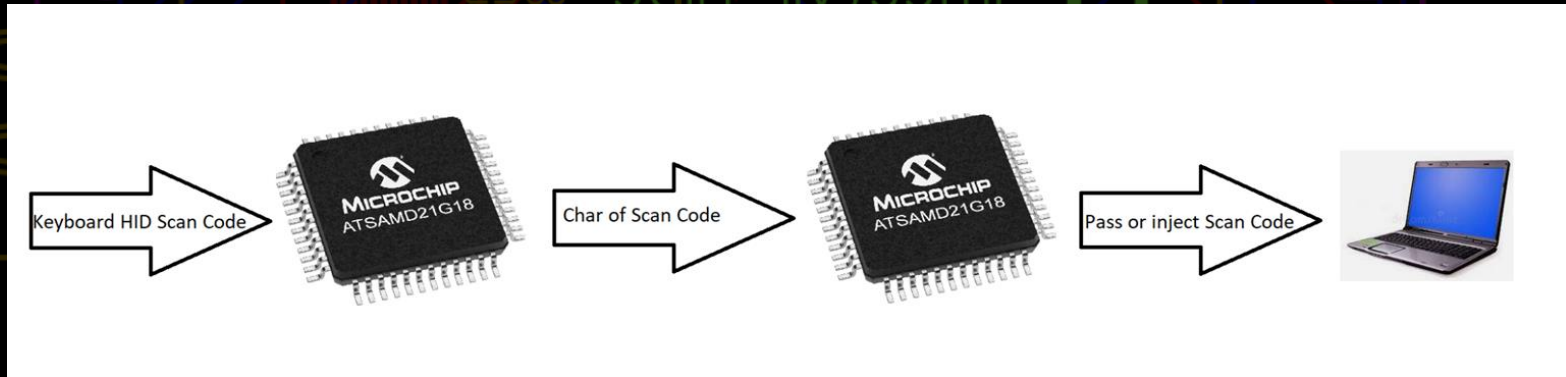
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# Keystroke injection/sniffing/recording

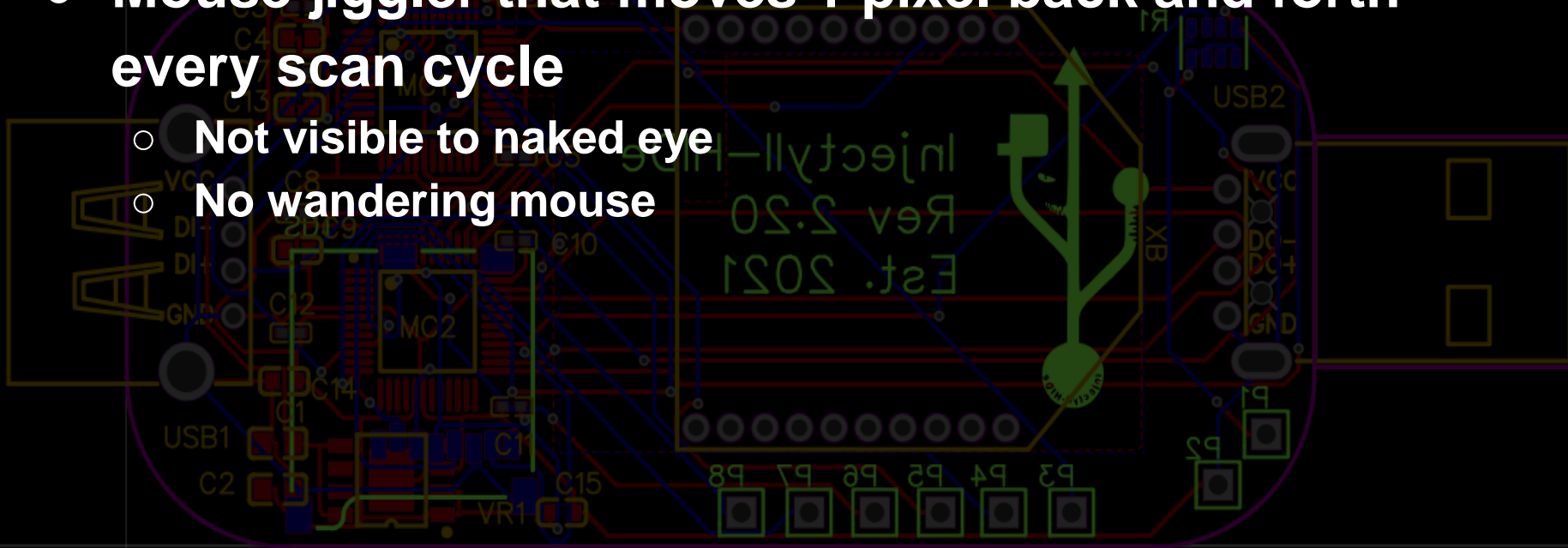
Started from USB Metamorph

- <https://github.com/gdsports/usb-metamorph>



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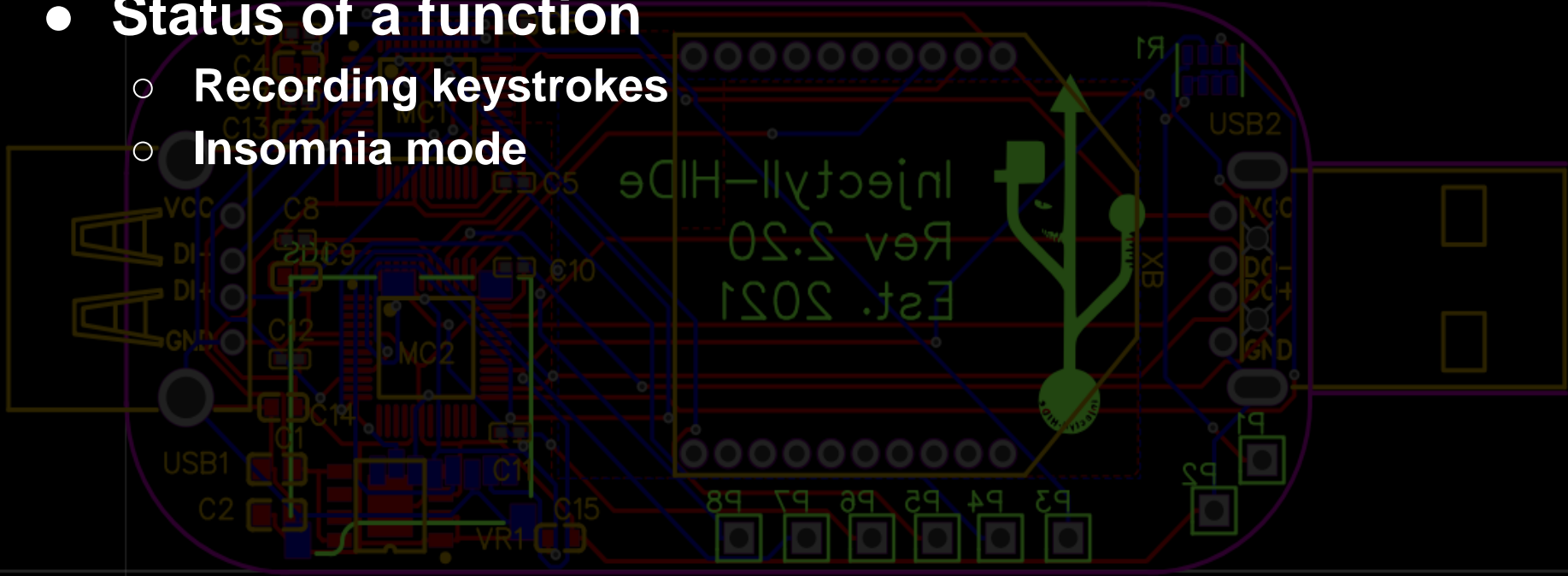


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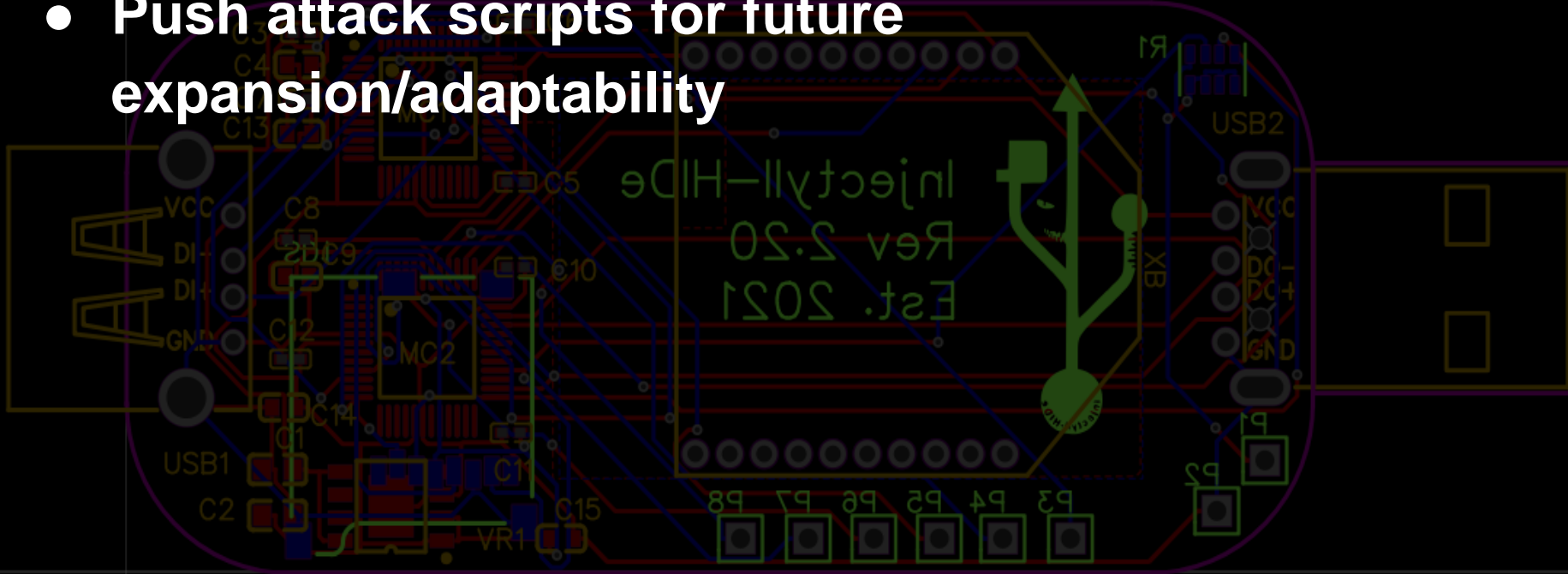


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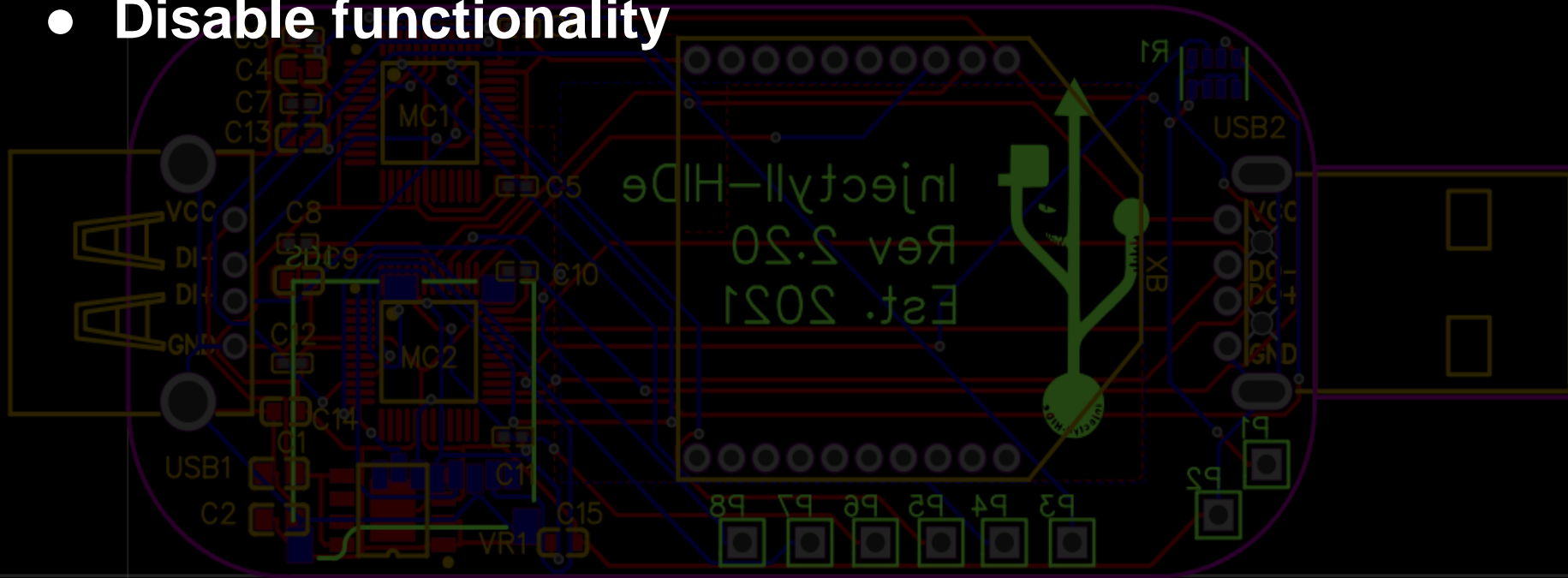
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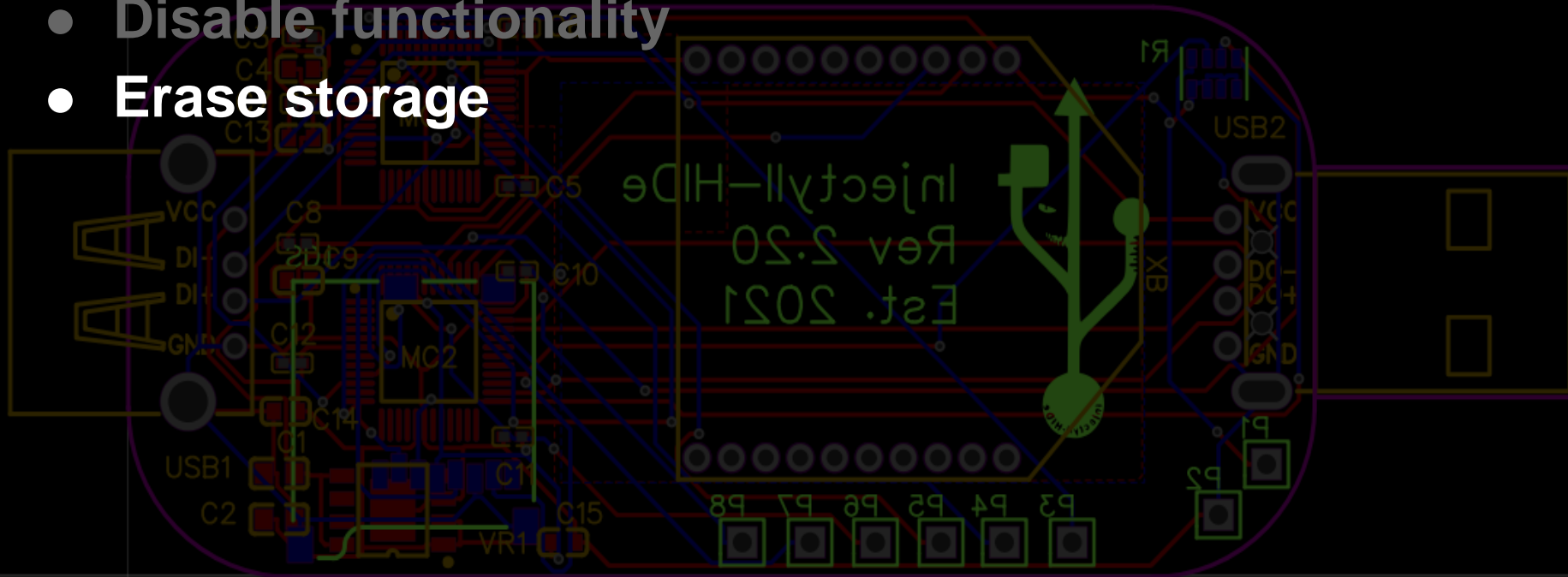
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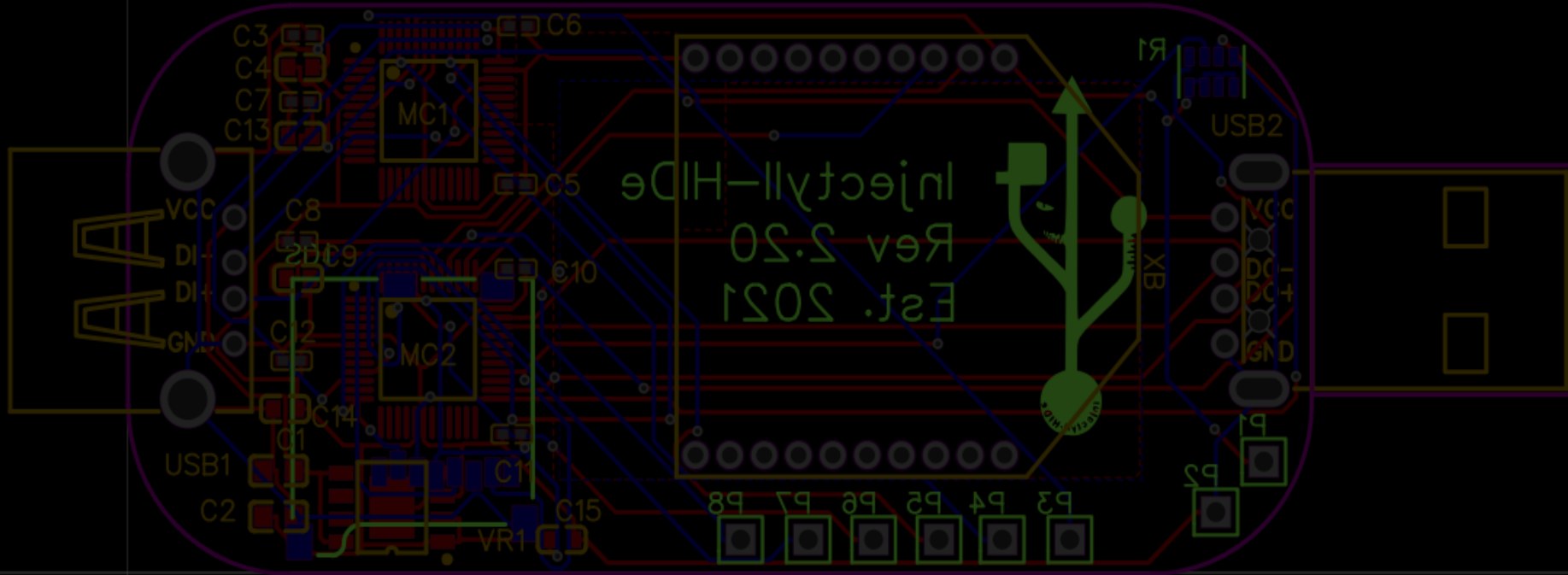


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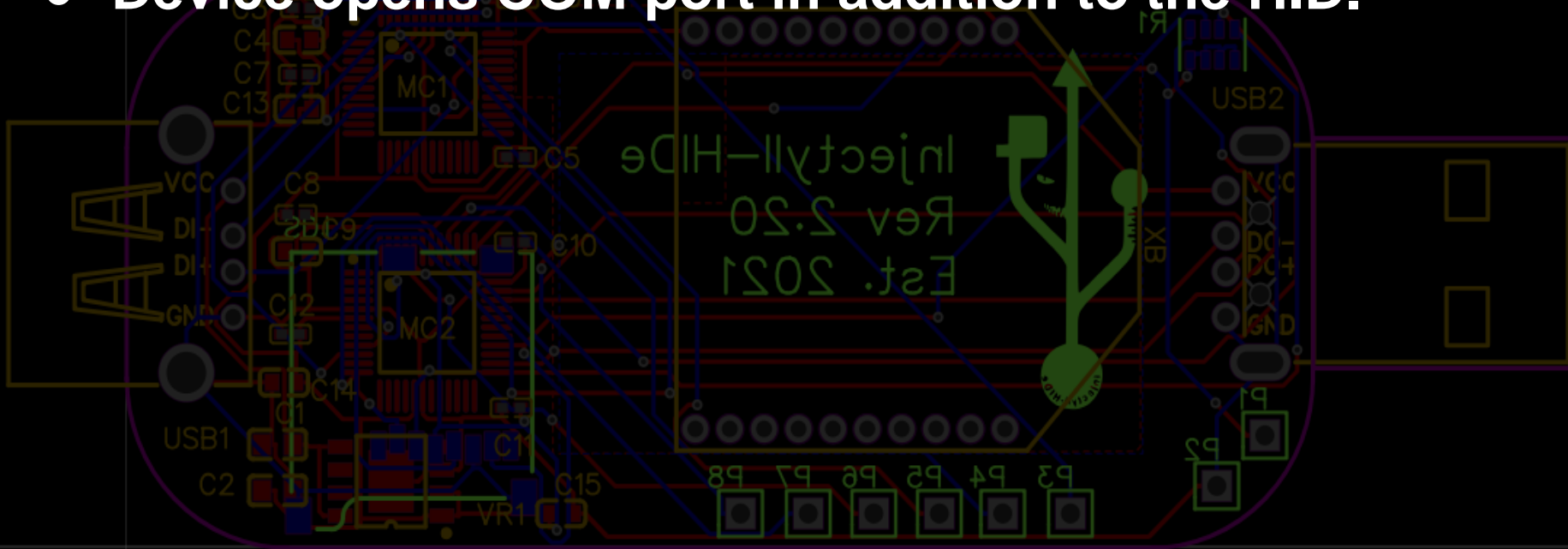
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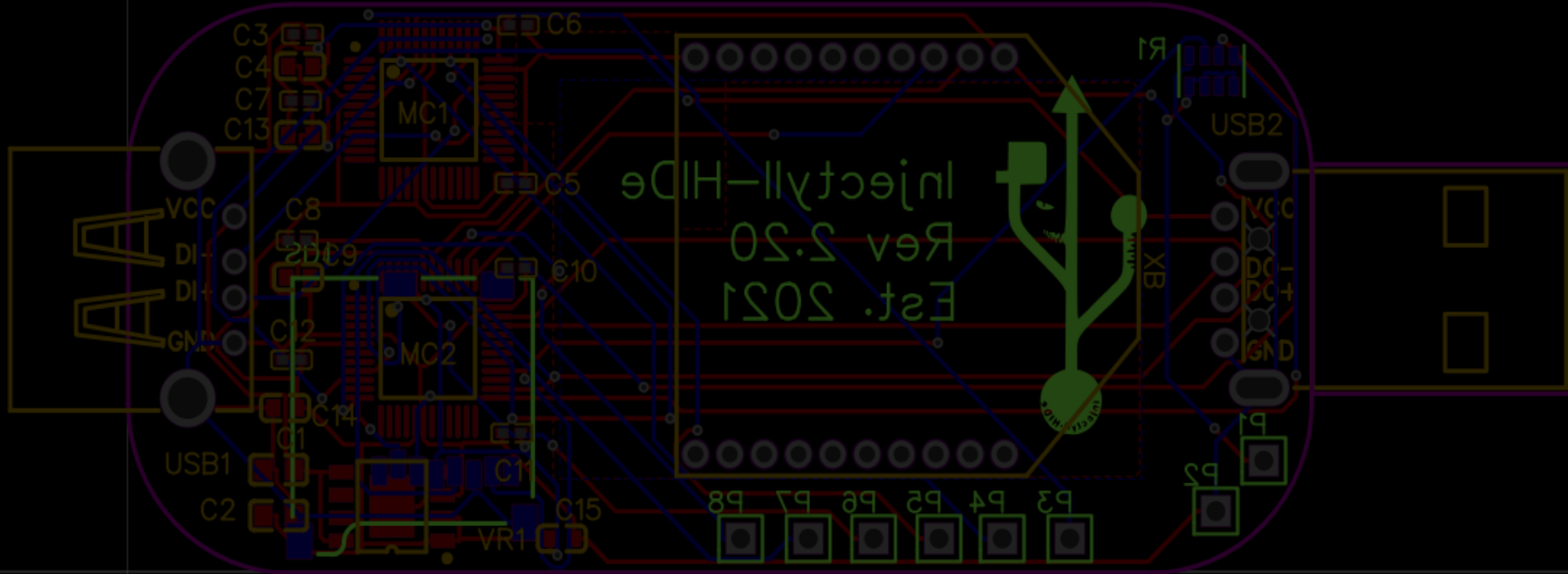
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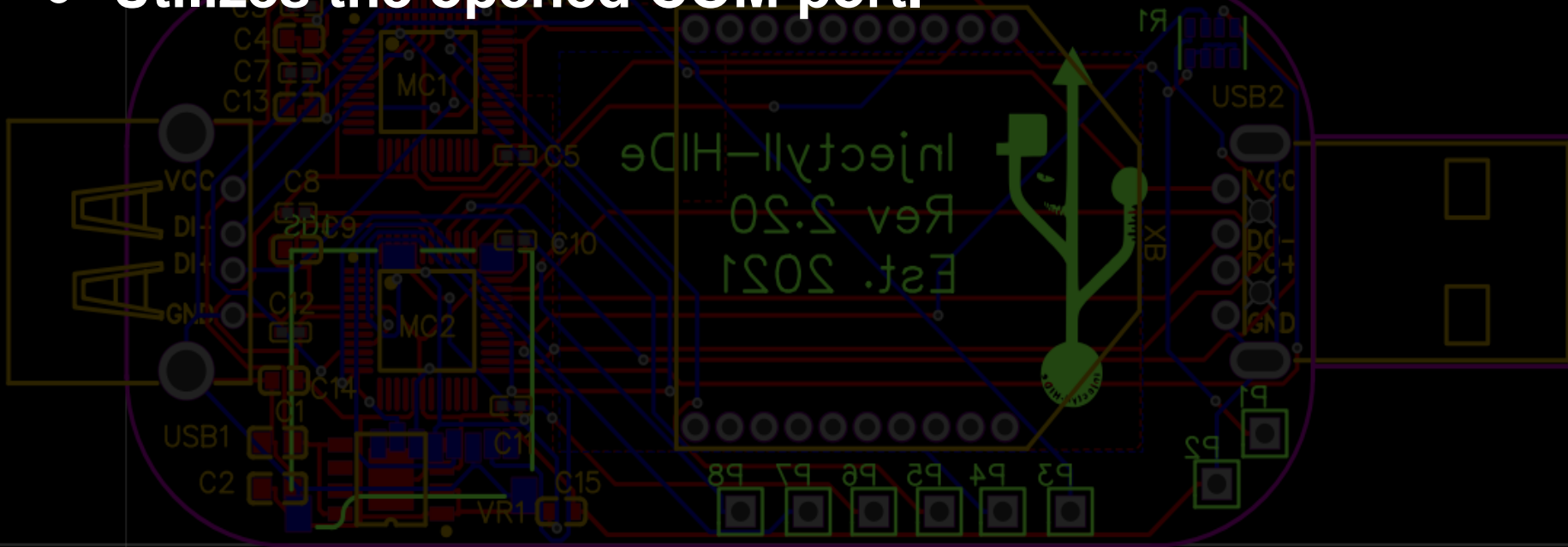
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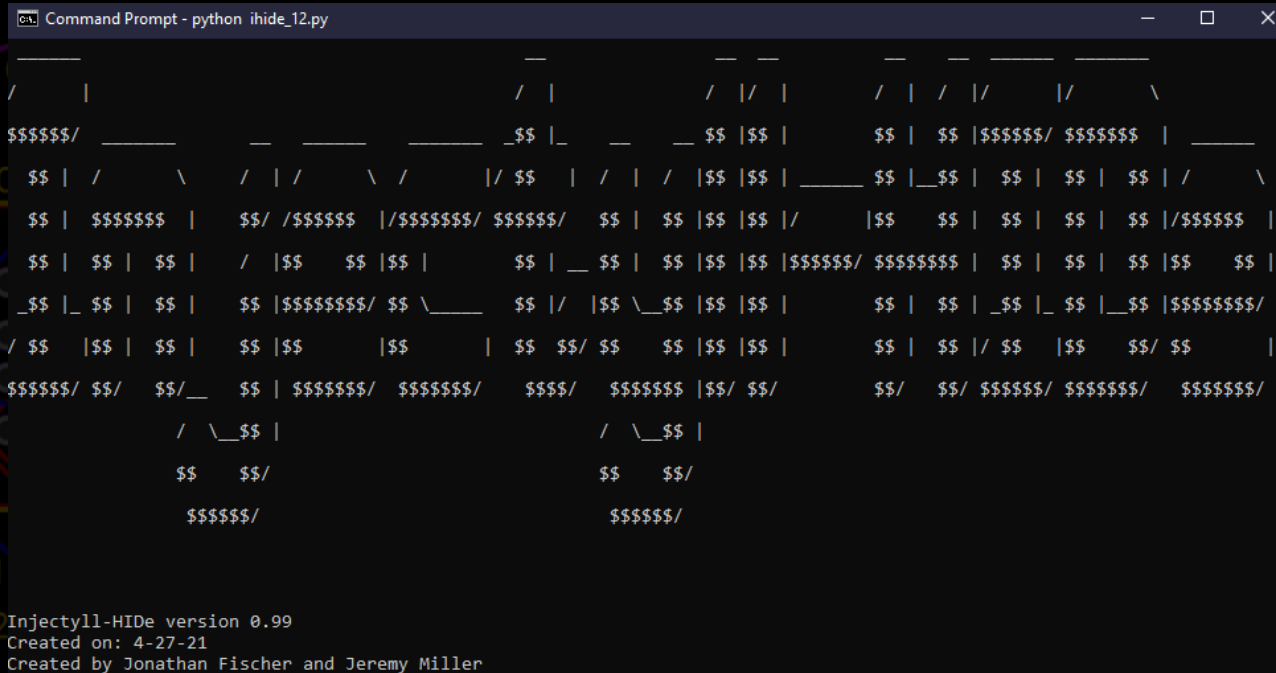
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- Script can run through previous made reverse shell using COM port. (Hidden from user)



# Custom C2



# Roadmap

- **Microphone to supplement detecting when someone is nearby. (Audio bug?)**
- **Smaller footprint (radio, storage, no debug)**
- **Reverse Shell/Exfil Serial port for other OS.**
- **Other radios (LoRa)**
- **Alternate Chipsets (RP2040)**

# Special Thank You!

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- Soldier of FORTRAN
  - @mainframed767
- R3dfish
  - @hackedexistence

# Contribute/Contact/Q&A

- **Github:** <https://github.com/Injectyll-HIDe/>
  - C2 source
  - PCB/Hardware schematics
  - Microcontroller source
- **Twitter:** @Injectyll\_HIDe
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