Newbie Instructions for flashing White Panda from a USB-based Linux installation

What:

Flashing a White Panda from comma.ai

Why:

On some vehicles, open pilot / comma 2 will not operate under a certain speed limit. Installing a White Panda can "trick" Open Pilot to think it never goes below the cutoff limit, and has the capability to do lots more.

What you need:

PC or Mac

USB flash drive

White Panda from comma.ai

USB A to A cable (buy one online or make one yourself if you have some old cables around - 4 wires required)

Notes:

- 1. The author is totally unqualified to provide this information; this is more a recount of my experience in hopes that it will save someone a bit of time. I had no prior experience with linux, so this is about as simple as I can make it.
- 2. These instructions are for installing the xps_wp_chrysler_basic fork of the XPS project. If you want to learn more or compare the different versions, see: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CBxd3fxn166gXPFxKl6qJtZjRGOR8-BmCqq-Ndx1Tyk/edit
- 3. Thanks to mog, Nish, and others on the comma.ai discord who led me through the whole process.

Steps:

- 1. Download Ubuntu: https://ubuntu.com/download/desktop
- 2. Follow instructions to flash to USB: https://ubuntu.com/tutorials/try-ubuntu-before-you-install
- 3. Boot up on your Mac or PC note, some Macs have a feature called Startup Security that may need to be disabled before you can boot a non-apple OS. More here: https://support.apple.com/en-ca/HT208198
- 4. Once Ubuntu is up and running, connect to Wifi and open a terminal window (Ctrl-Alt+T).
- 5. Run the following commands in order

sudo nano /etc/apt/sources.list

on the three bottom lines, add the word "universe" to the end, so each of them end with "restricted universe"

Then write out and exit (Ctrl-O, then Ctrl-X)

sudo apt update sudo apt install git sudo apt-get update Sudo apt-get install python3-pip sudo pip install libusb1 pycryptodome requests sudo apt-get install gcc-arm-none-eabi sudo apt-get install dfu-util

git clone https://github.com/xps-genesis/panda.git

cd panda git checkout xps_wp_chrysler_basic cd board ./get_sdk.sh

Plug in your panda

sudo make recover

You're done!

If you want to verify your flash, use the following command:

Sudo PYTHONPATH=../ python3 -c "from python import Panda; print('flash succeeded') if Panda().get_signature() == Panda().get_signature_from_firmware('obj/panda.bin') else print('flashing failed')"

Install the White Panda in your vehicle and off you go!