

Ubertooth

and other assorted packet sniffers

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Bluetooth: gr-bluetooth, Ubertooth, libBTBB

USBProxy, PS/2 Tap, FCC.io

Defcon, BlackHat, Kiwicon, Troopers (44CON)

Great Scott Gadgets

“Hardware for Hackers”



Ubertooth, HackRF, Throwing Star Lan Tap

Daisho, YARDstick, NSA Playset,
Unambiguous Encapsulation

Why build packet sniffers?

“Security will not get better until tools for practical exploration of the attack surface are made available”

-- Joshua Wright

Why build packet sniffers?

WEP -> WPA -> WPA2

4 digit pin -> Secure Simple Pairing

Why Bluetooth?

2 Billion devices sold each year

No packet sniffers, no “monitor” mode

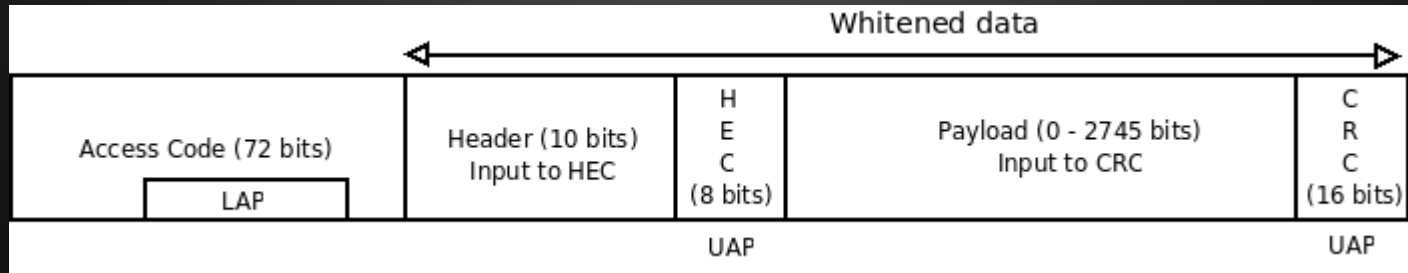
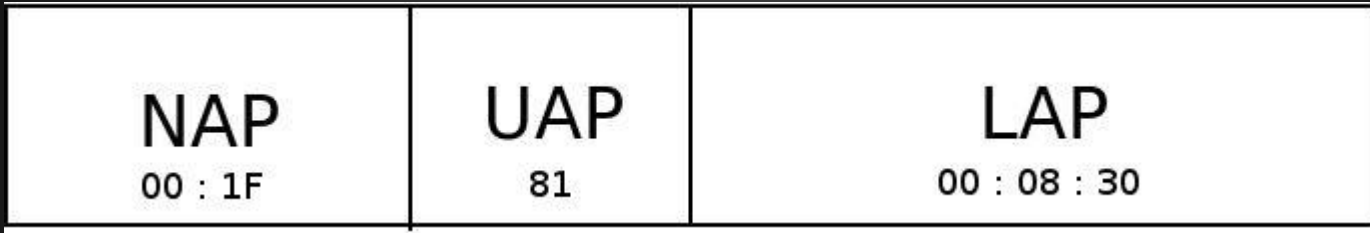
Fun, hard, open problem (maybe too hard)

Bluetooth sniffing is hard

Frequency hops 1600 times per second based on device address, internal clock value and radio noise

Unknown device address - not all in packet

Bluetooth sniffing is hard



Software Defined Radio

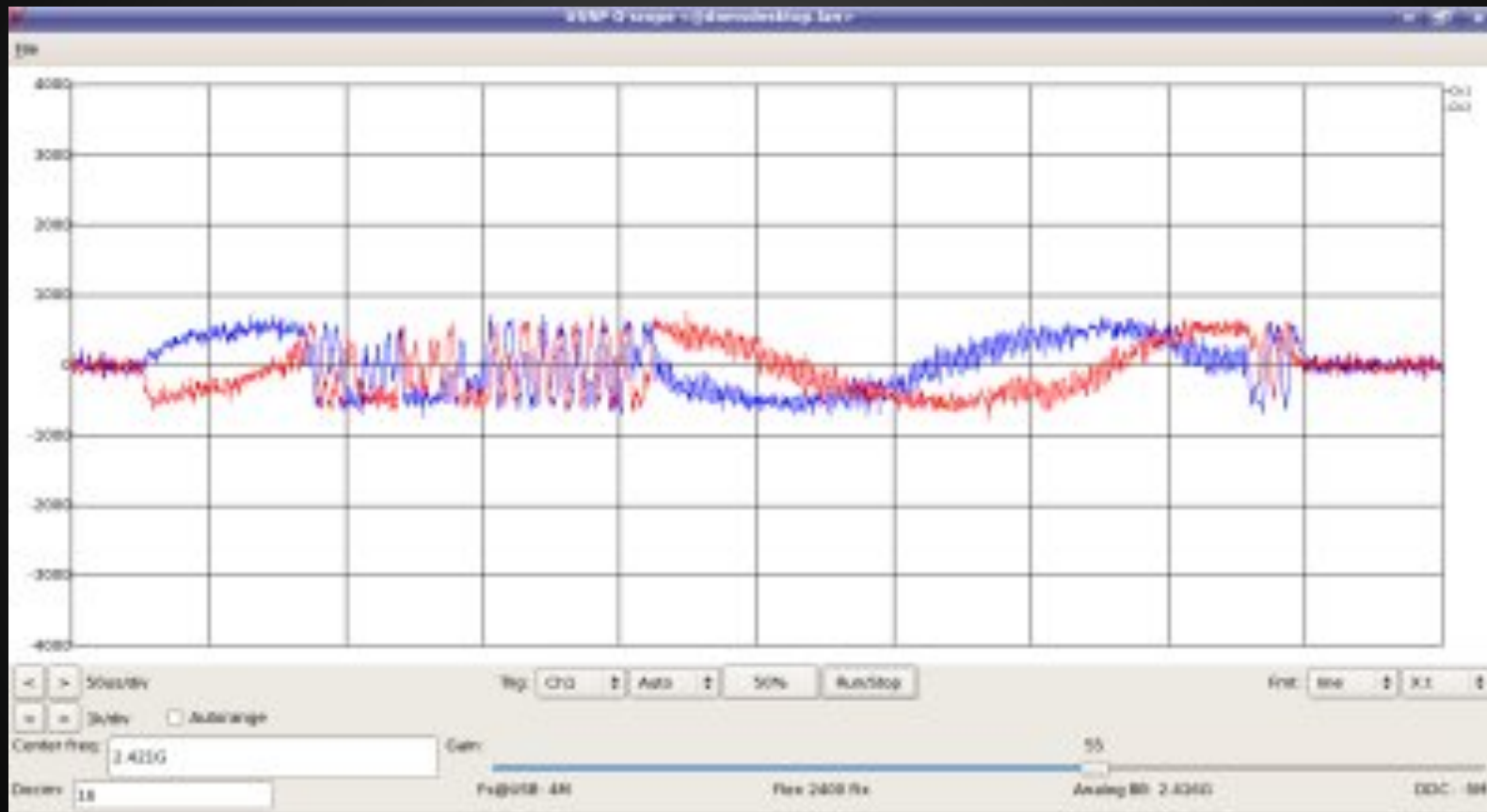
gr-bluetooth

GNURadio

USRP



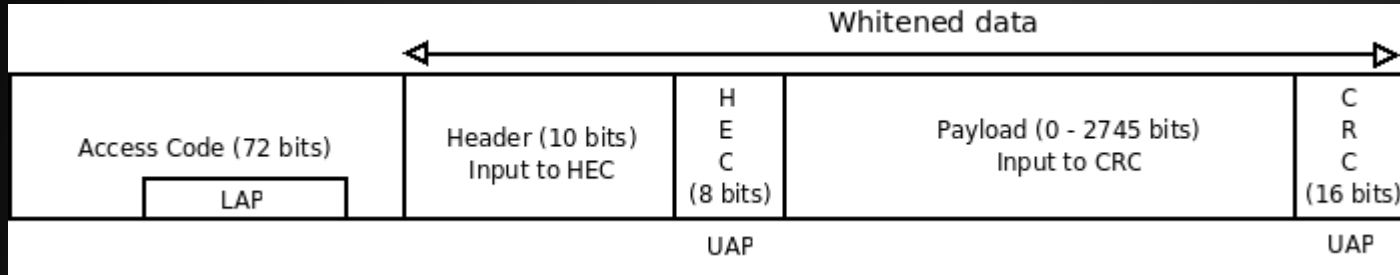
A Packet



Bits

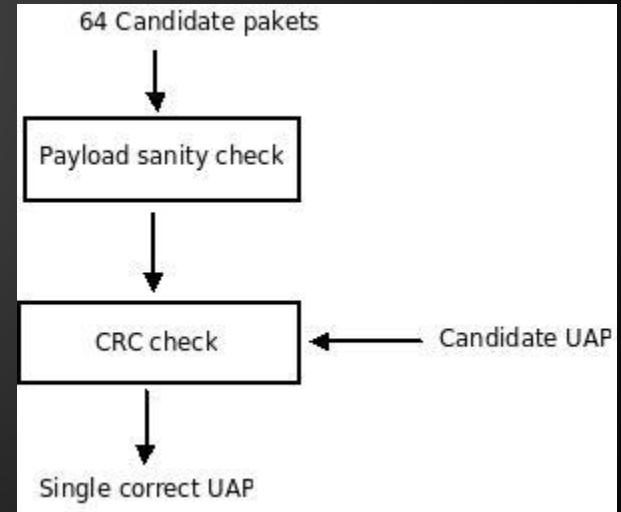
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Extracting Data



Extract the LAP

Try to extract the UAP -->



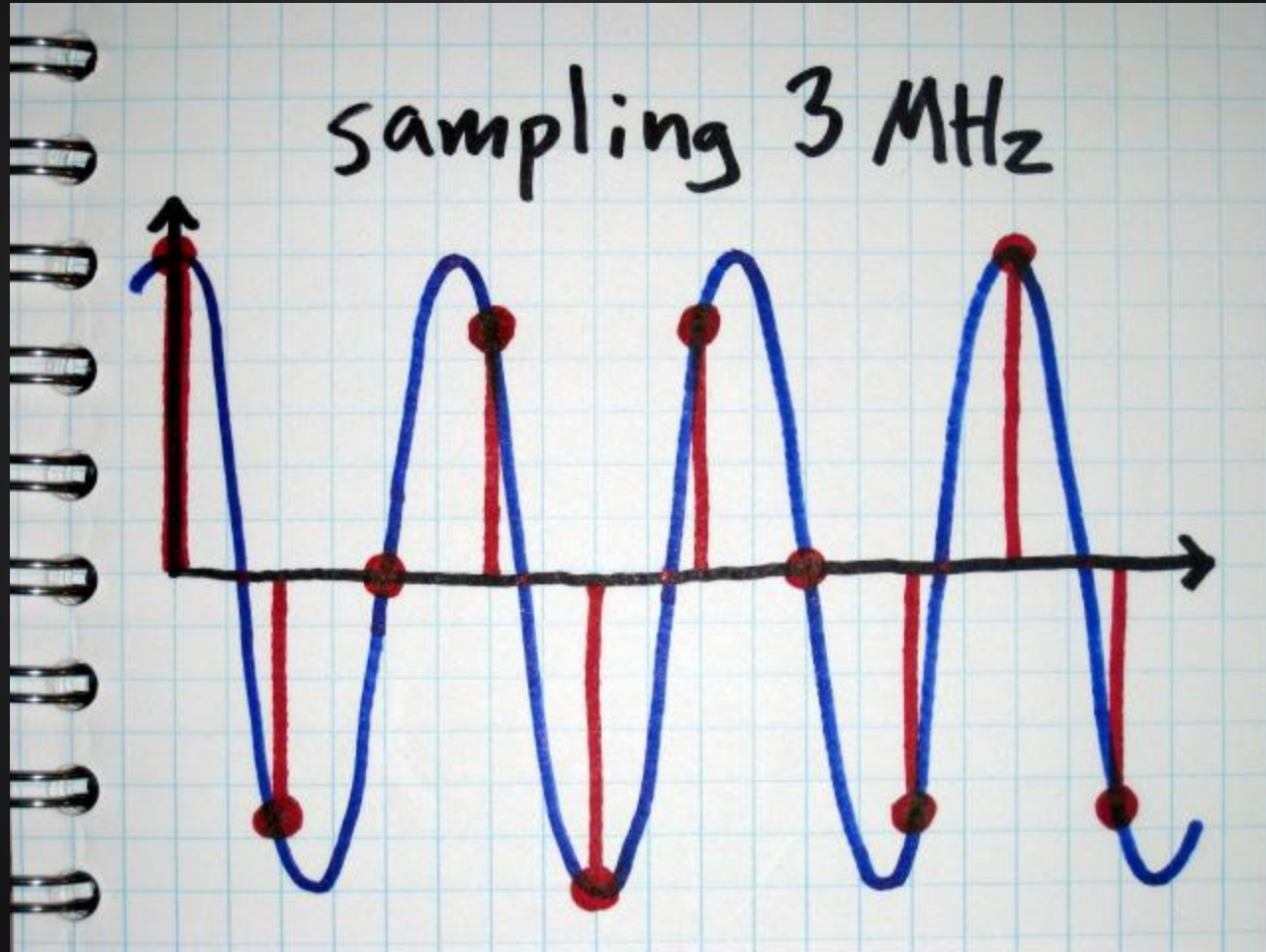
Problem Solved?

Single channel, RX only

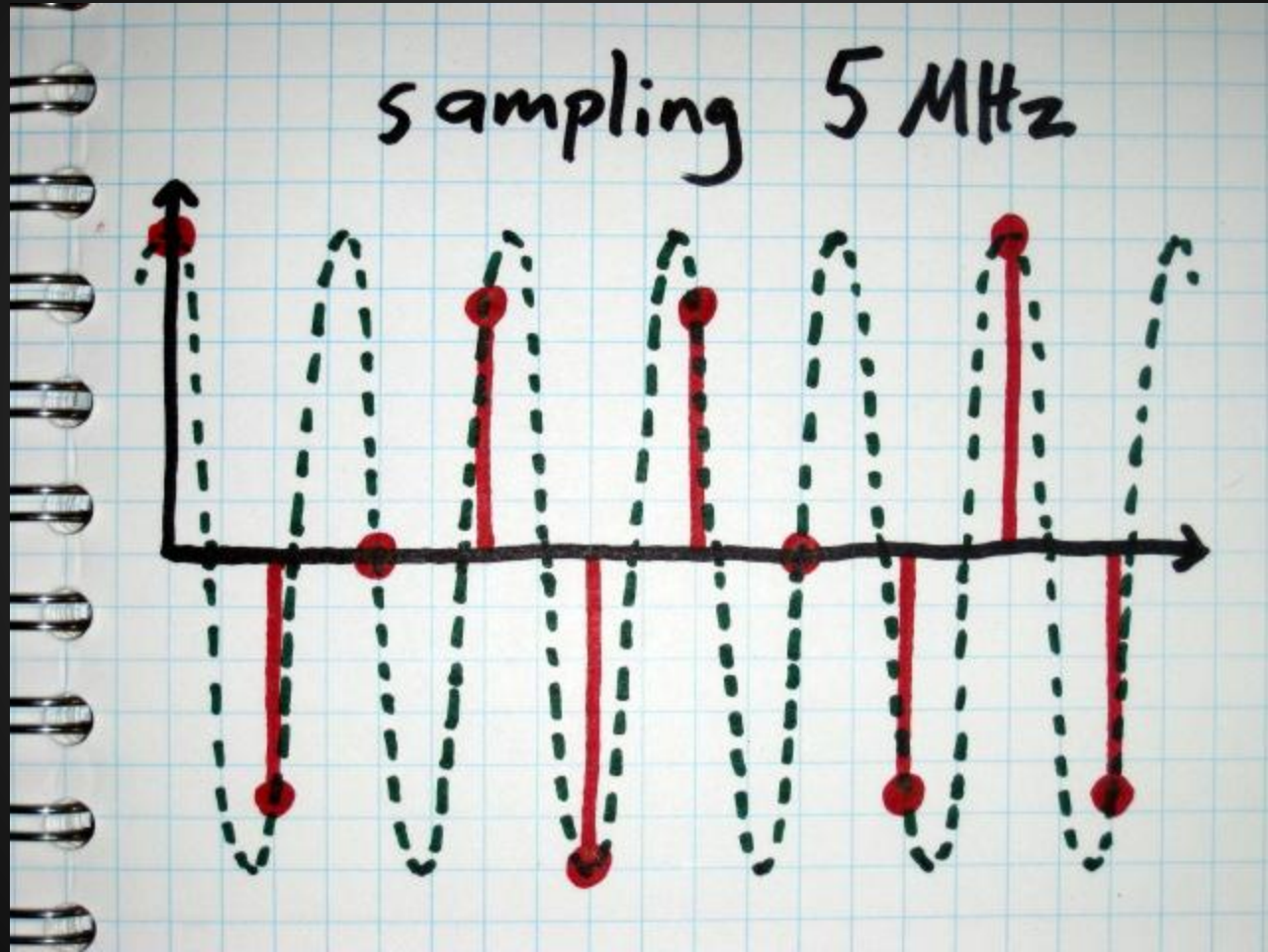
Expensive ~ \$1000

Computationally intensive

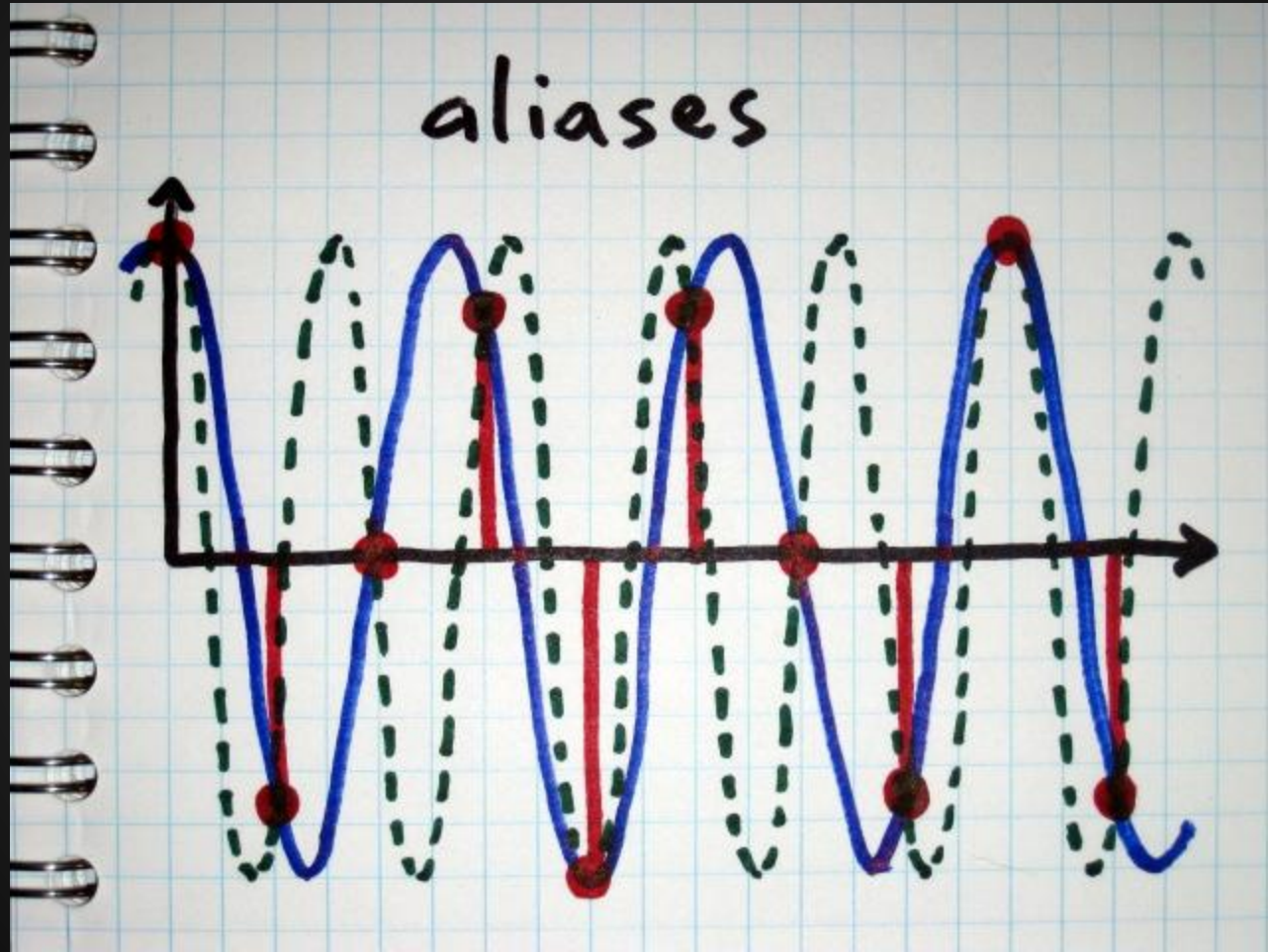
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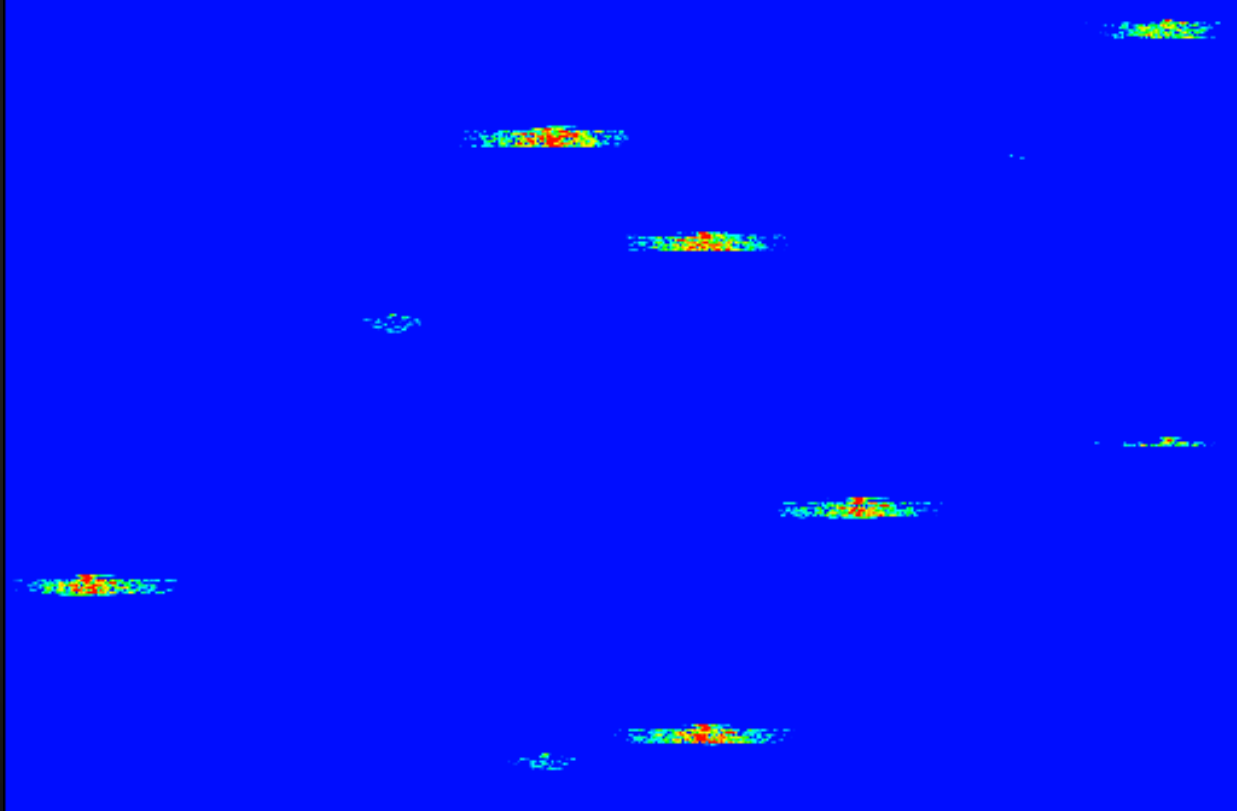
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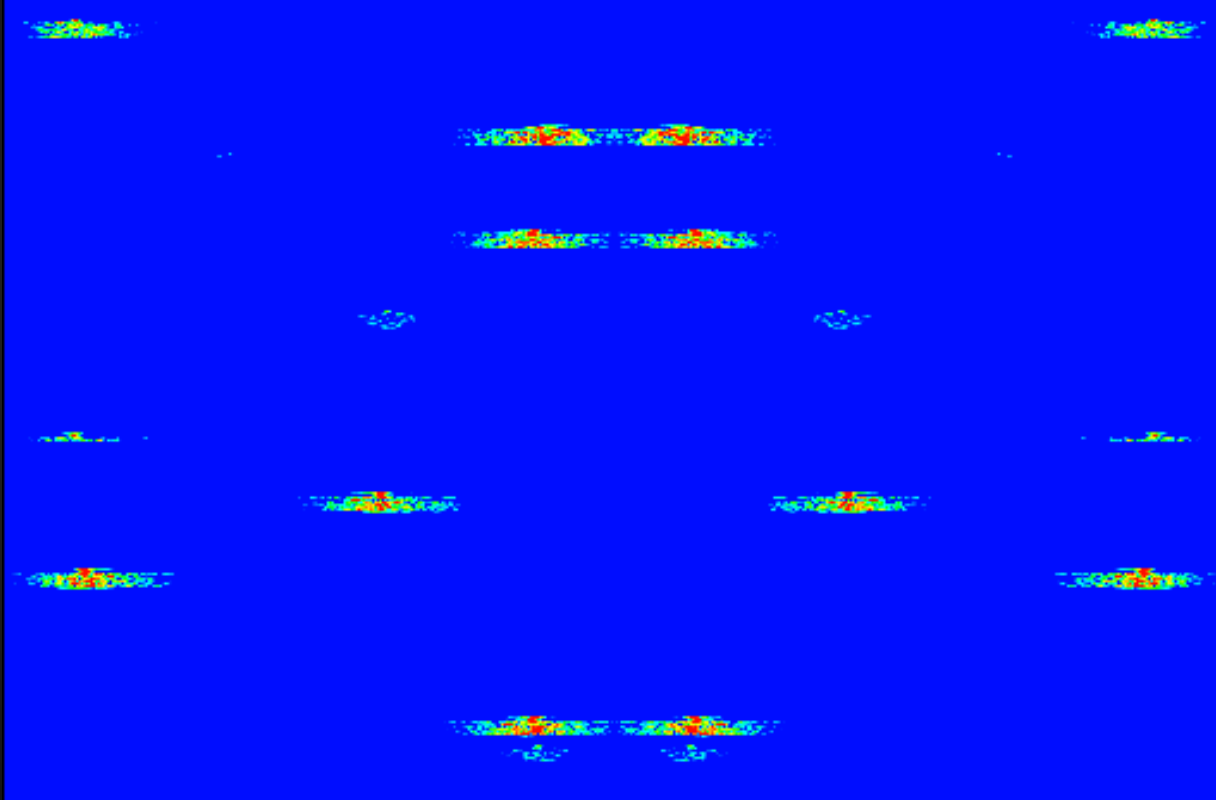
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Aliased 4 times

Receive all Bluetooth channels

Problem Solved?

~\$2000 USRP2 + hardware modification

Susceptible to noise

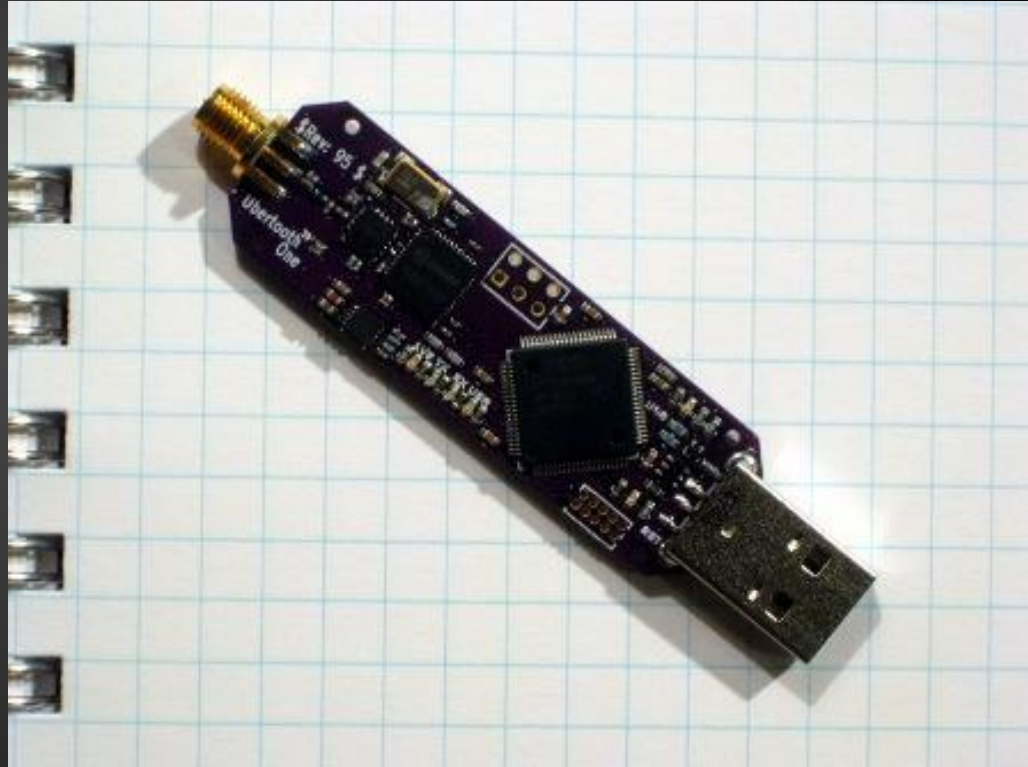
Ridiculous processing requirements

Ubertooth

2.4GHz Radio dongle

Open source
hardware + software

Cheap!



Ubertooth

Bluetooth modulation (Basic rate + Smart)

Stream bits to host

Still single channel

Transmit capabilities

Demonstration

The interesting bit...

Other Projects

HackRF

SDR, 20MHz bandwidth, Rx/Tx, 1MHz-6GHz

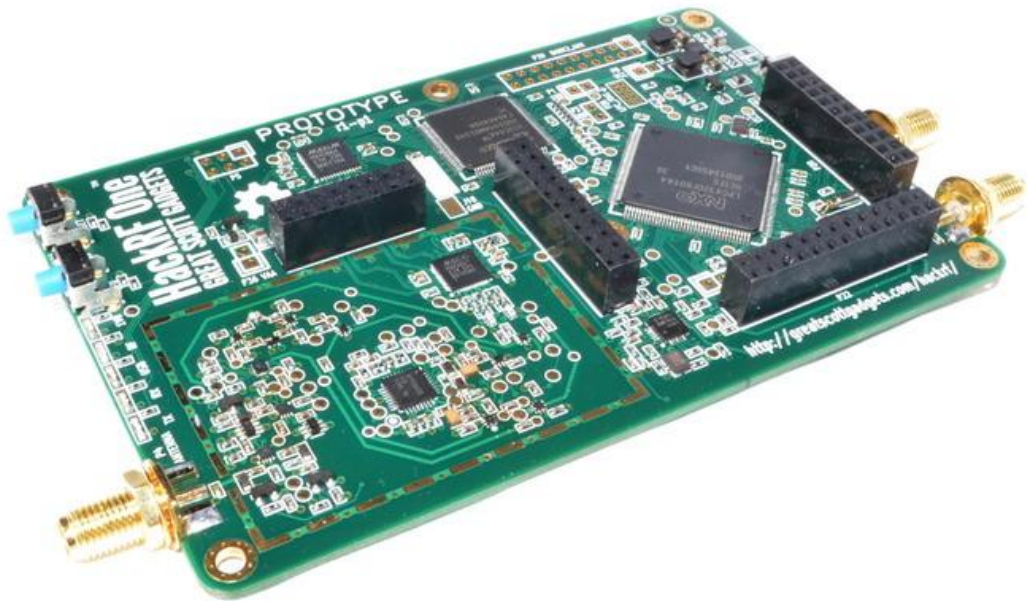
Daisho

High speed monitoring platform

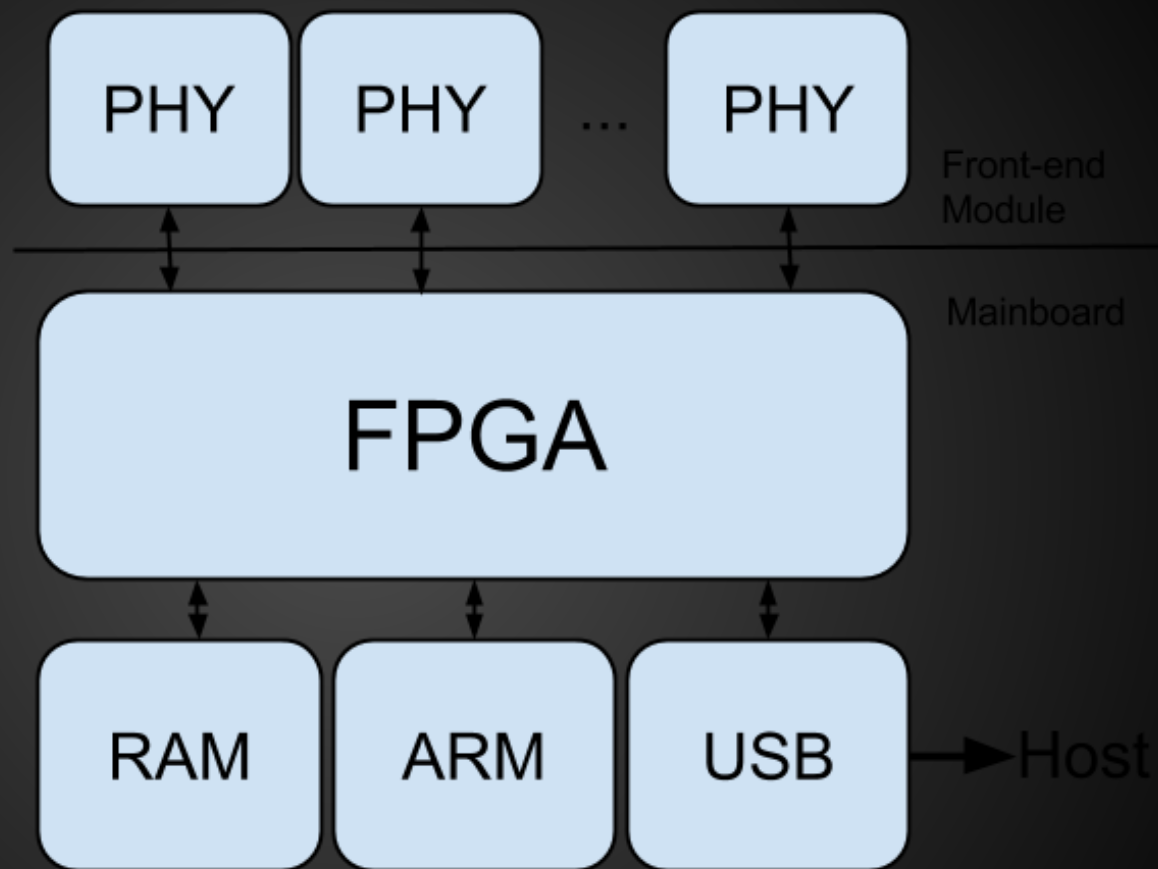
Targets: GigE, USB 3.0, HDMI

Future targets: ASDL2+, Wideband SDR

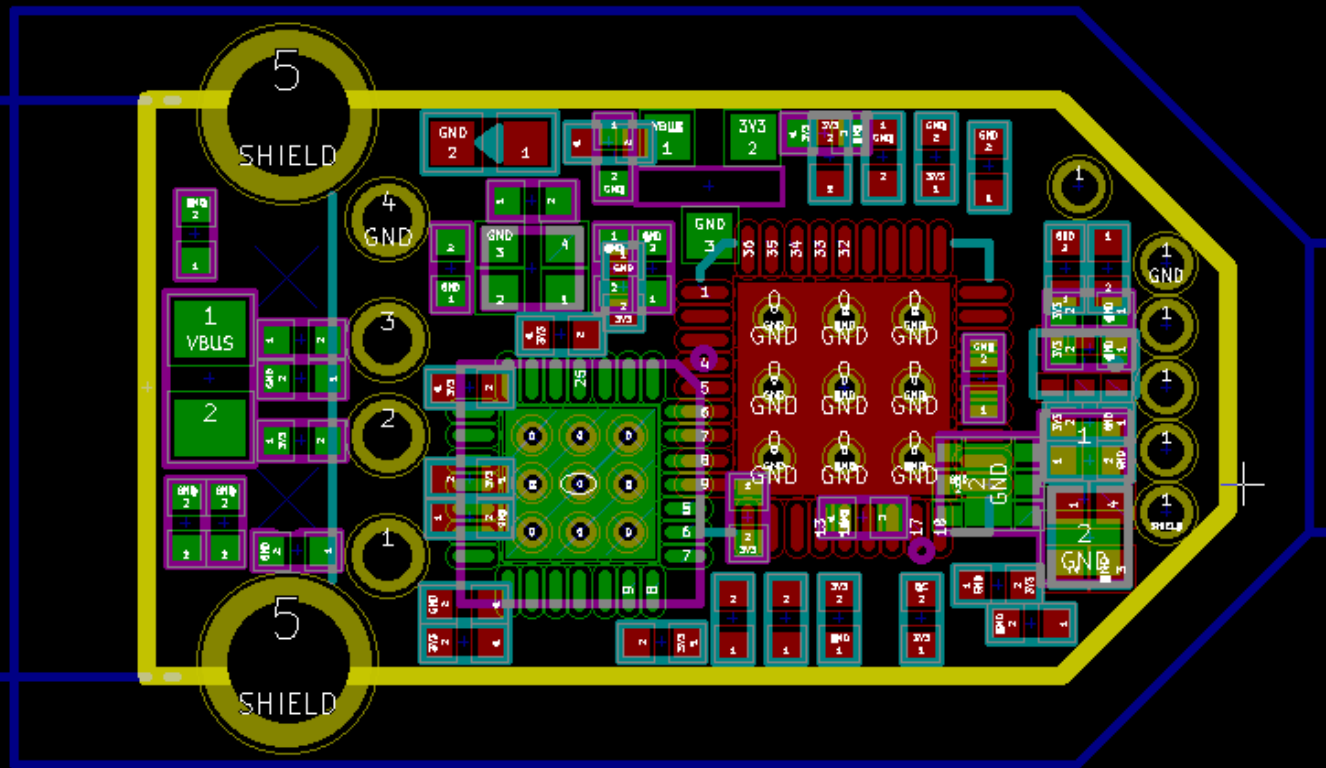
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