



# Solve the Sleigh's CAN-D-BUS Problem

So, Santa suspects **The Lollipop Gang** is attacking his infrastructure, and that his sleigh appears to have been hacked. Coincidence, or the work of the same attackers?

## Objective

Jack Frost is somehow inserting malicious messages onto the sleigh's CAN-D bus. We need you to exclude the malicious messages and no others to fix the sleigh. Visit the NetWars room on the roof and talk to Wunorse Openslae for hints.

Difficulty: 3/5

## Wunorse Openslae's dialog:

Say, do you have any thoughts on what might fix Santa's sleigh?

Turns out: Santa's sleigh uses a variation of CAN bus that we call CAN-D bus.

And there's something naughty going on in that CAN-D bus.

The brakes seem to shudder when I put some pressure on them, and the doors are acting oddly.

I'm pretty sure we need to filter out naughty CAN-D-ID codes.

There might even be some valid IDs with invalid data bytes.

For security reasons, only Santa is allowed access to the sled and its CAN-D bus.

I'll hit him up next time he's nearby.

Hey Santa!

Those tweaks you made to the sled just don't seem right to me.

I can't figure out what's wrong, but maybe you can check it out to fix it.

## Hints

Chris Elgee is talking about how [CAN traffic](#) works right now!

## Solution

### Note

It's helpful to complete the **CAN-BUS Investigation** terminal before attempting this objective.

[CAN Bus](#) is a communication bus designed to allow vehicle microcontrollers and computers to communicate without using a host computer. Devices on the bus communicate via messages that are received by every device on the bus. A

rogue or misconfigured device on the bus can cause a vehicle to malfunction. Someone is inserting malicious messages on the CAN-D bus on Santa's sleigh. From Wunorse's dialog, it appears we need to fix 3 things:

1. The brakes shudder when applied.
2. The doors are acting oddly.
3. Some valid IDs have invalid data.

Using the interface to the CAN-D Bus in the sleigh, we can see the current traffic on the bus. We can simulate the major functions on the sleigh: starting & stopping the engine, locking & locking the doors, and applying the accelerator & brakes.



A good starting point is to filter out the "noisy" traffic that's making it difficult to find the malicious messages:



By process of elimination, we can determinations on what IDs correspond to what function:

- 080 : Brakes
- 188 : Tachometer (RPM gauge)
- 019 : Steering
- 244 : Accelerator pedal
- 19B : Locking mechanism (Lock/Unlock)

Filtering out all traffic from IDs 188 , 019 , 244 , and 080 eliminates all the noisy traffic, and allows us to see that there are messages from ID 19B . There appear to be malicious messages on the bus with ID 19B , so can apply a filter to exclude those messages: ID = 19B:0000000F2057 .



Removing the filter for ID 080 will allow us to look at the oddly-acting brakes. Applying the brakes to 100, we can see messages of 080:000064 (100 in base 10), but also some errant messages with ID 080 but values > FFFFF0 .



We can apply a filter for ID 080, values containing FFFF to eliminate the misbehaving brakes. This last filter fixes Santa's sleigh and solves the objective.



Answer

Correctly filter the CAN-D Bus traffic to eliminate the problems with the sleigh.