



SONIC GUN TO SMART DEVICES

YOUR DEVICES LOSE CONTROL UNDER ULTRASOUND/SOUND

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About us

- Who are we:

- A research team of Alibaba security.

- Our research interests:

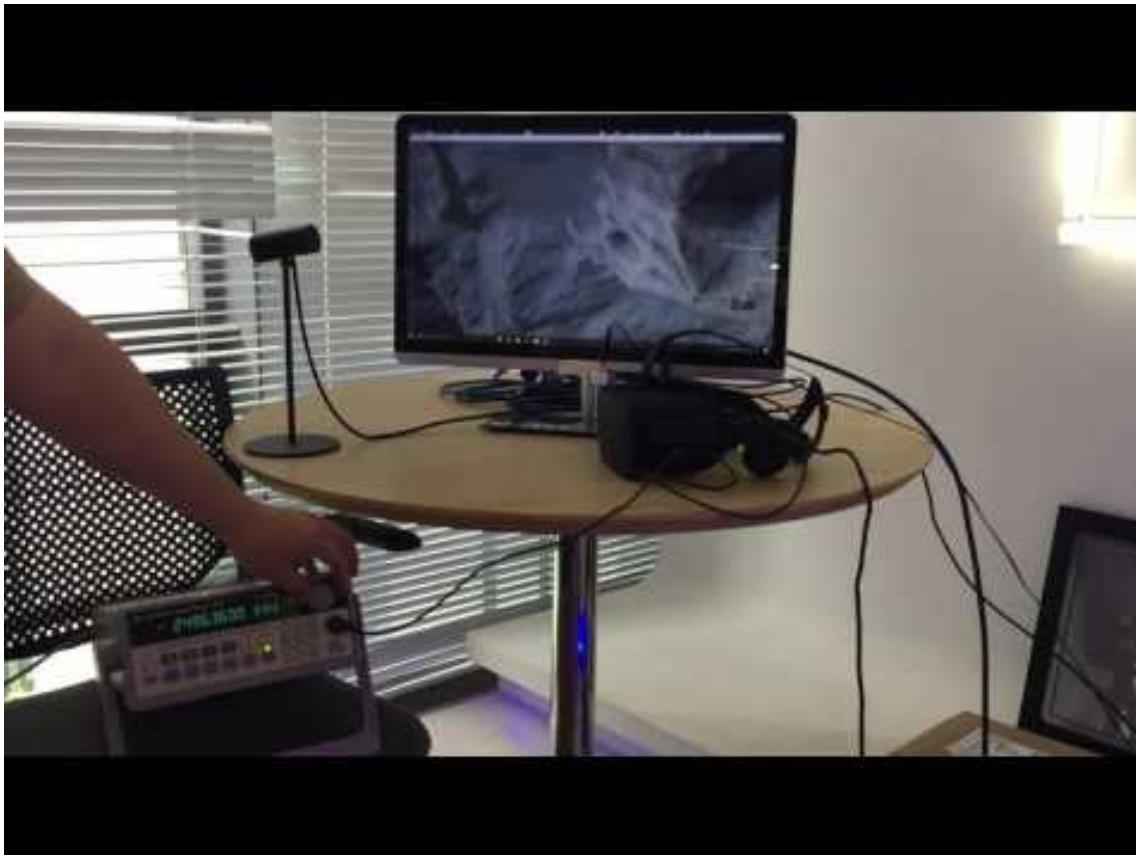
- Security issues about IoT, AI and their combinations.

- Previous briefing:

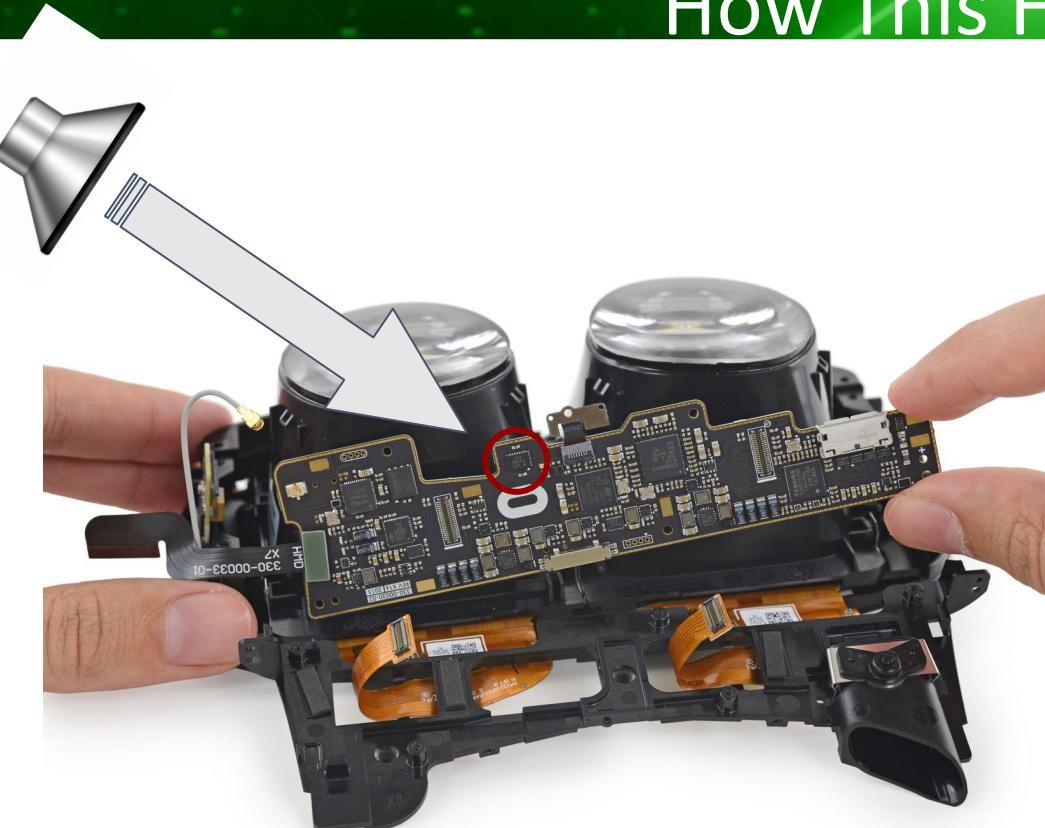
- GPS spoofing (Blackhat Europe 2015)

- An attack demo of Oculus headset
- Dig deeper on MEMS
- Other attack attempts on VR devices
- Attack attempts on drones
- Attack attempts on self-balanced vehicles
- 3 Countermeasures
- The END

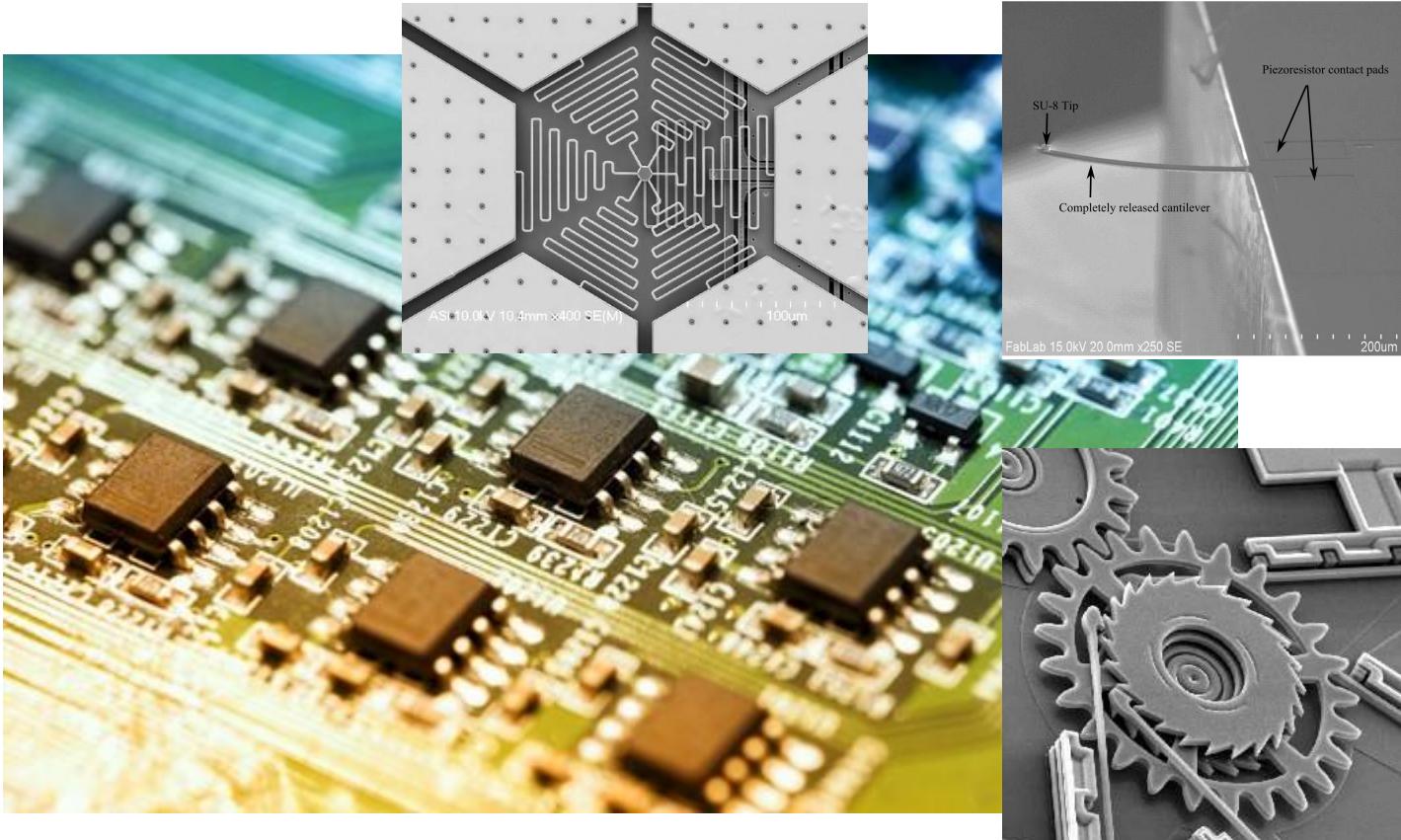
Attack Demo on Facebook Oculus



How This Happens?



What is MEMS

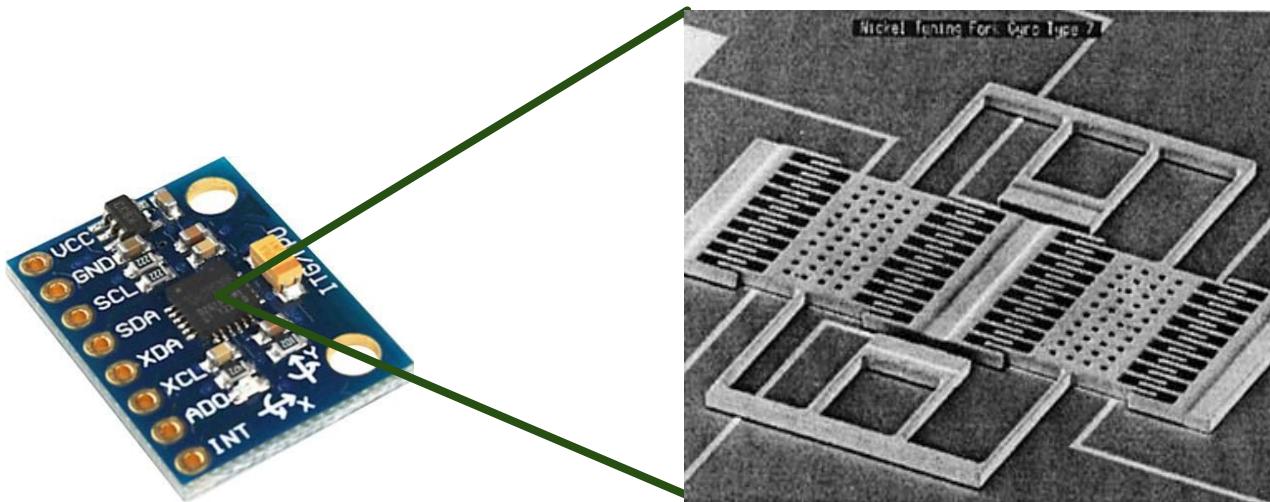


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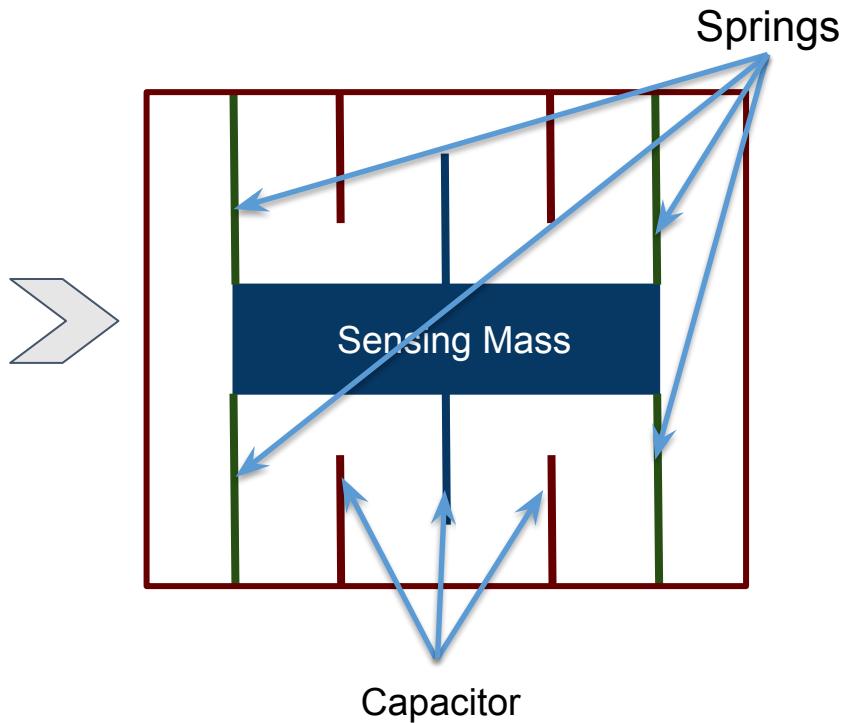
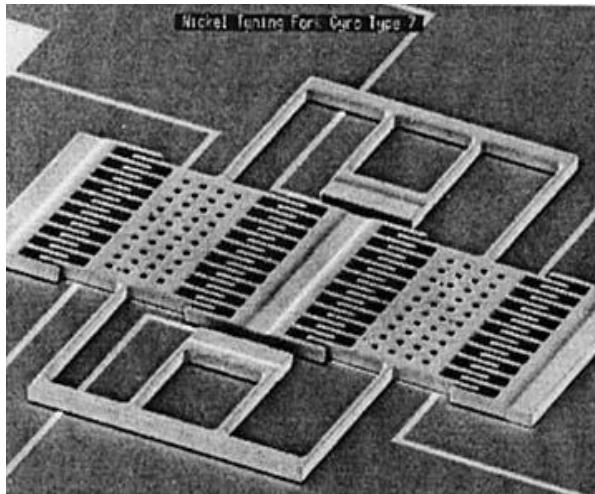
How MEMS Works

Accelerometer



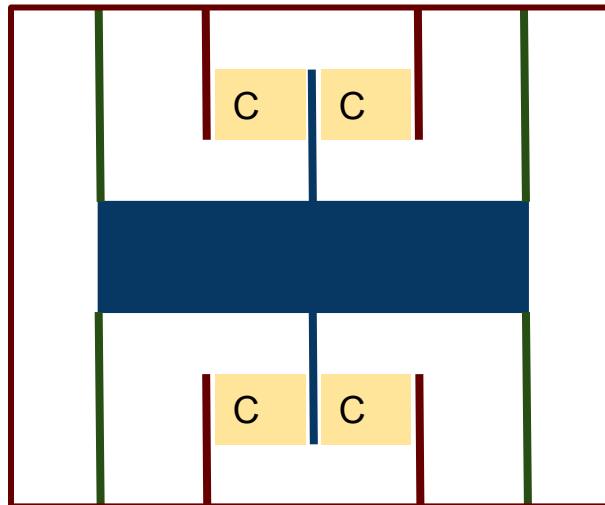
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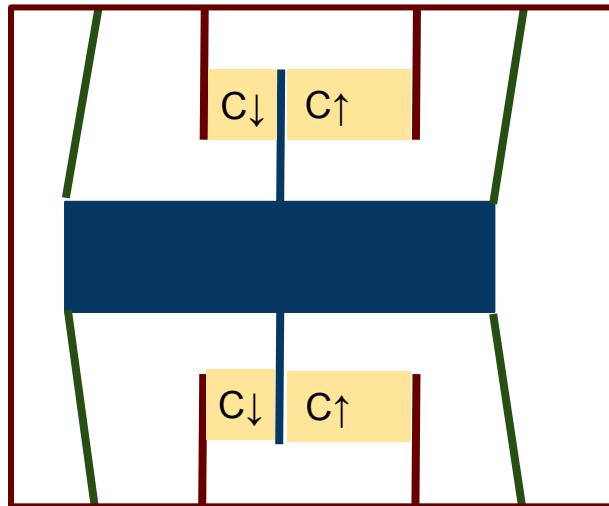
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1 DoF (Degree of Freedom)
Spring-Mass System

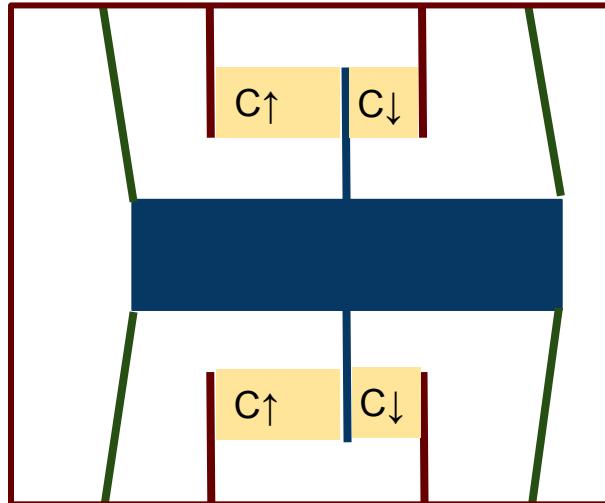
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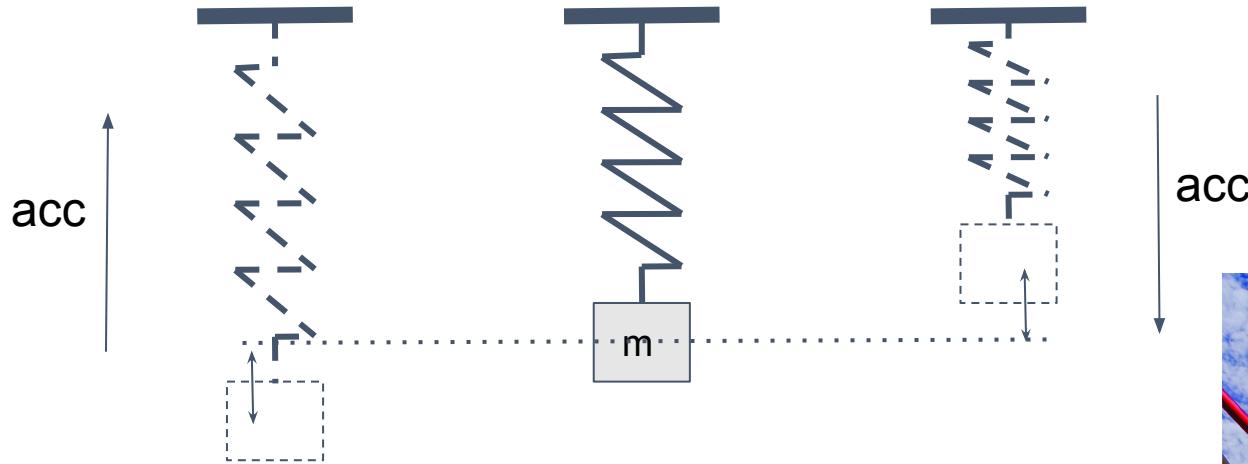
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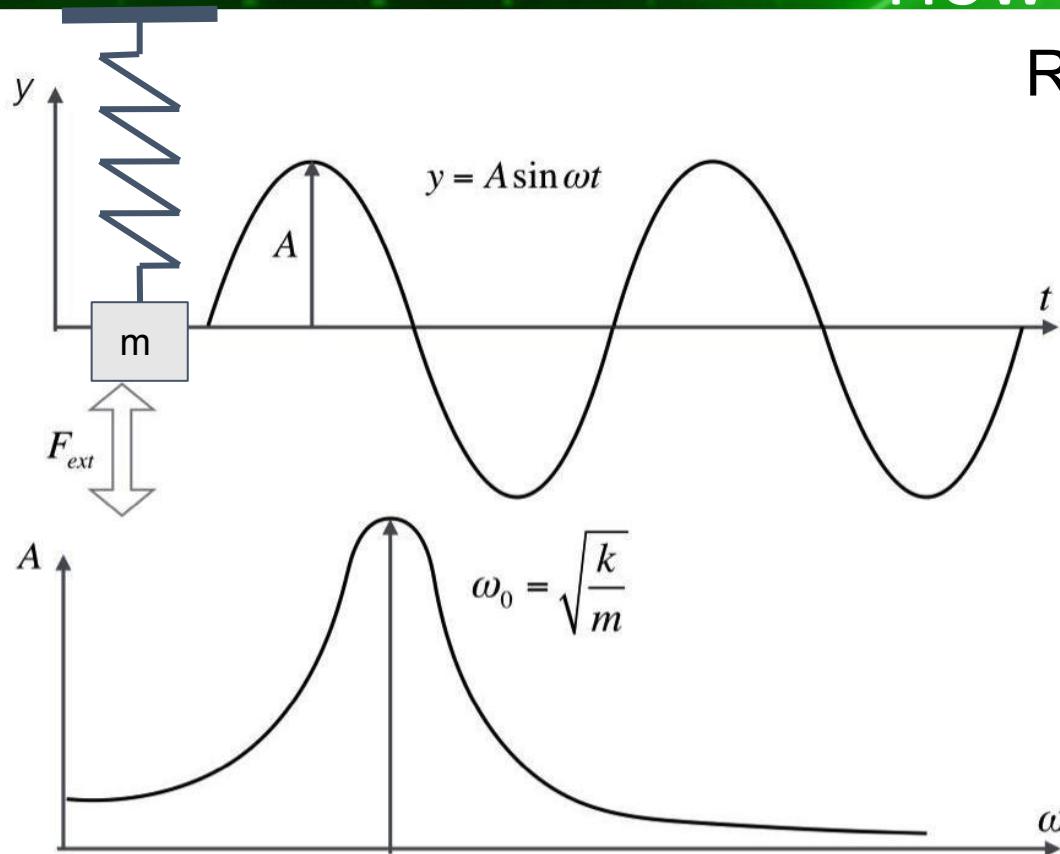


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Accelerometer



How to Attack Resonance



Previous Work

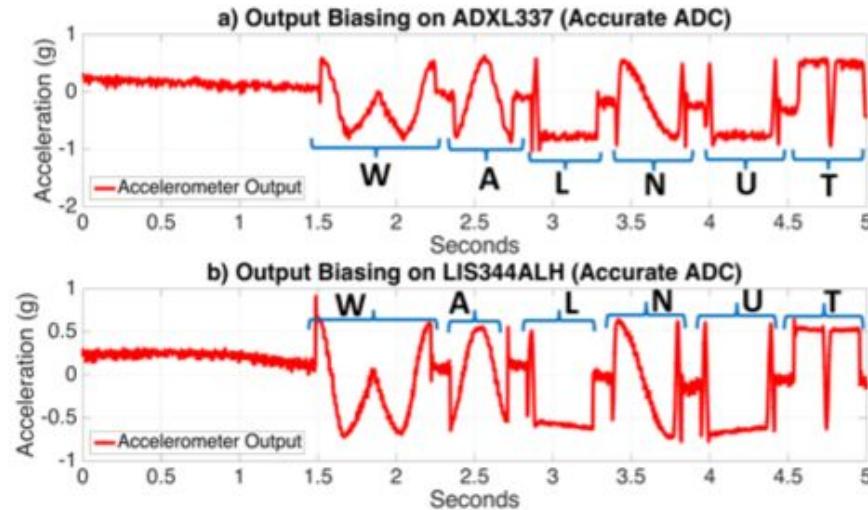
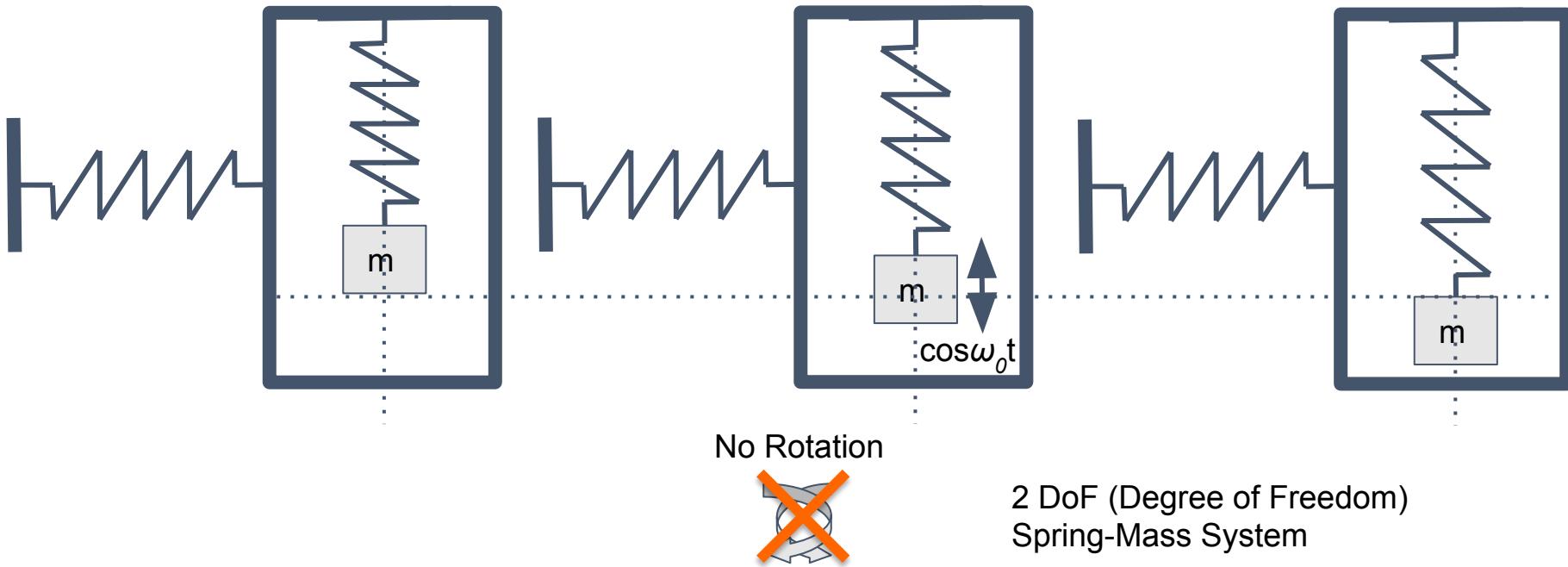


Figure 11. Spelling WALNUT: Output Biasing Attack on Sensors with Accurate ADCs. We demonstrate the output biasing attack can control

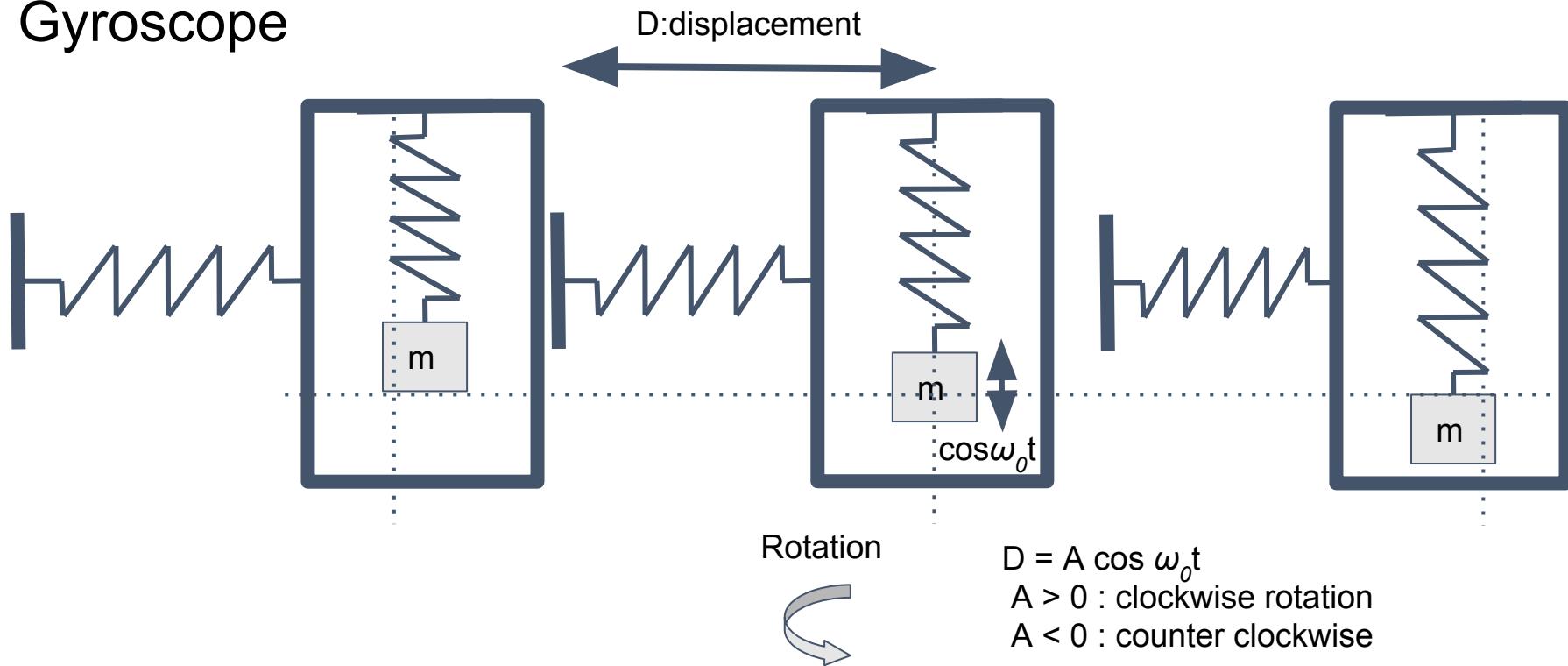
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Coriolis Force

Gyroscope

$$F_c = 2mv \times W$$

F_c – Coriolis force

m – vibratory mass

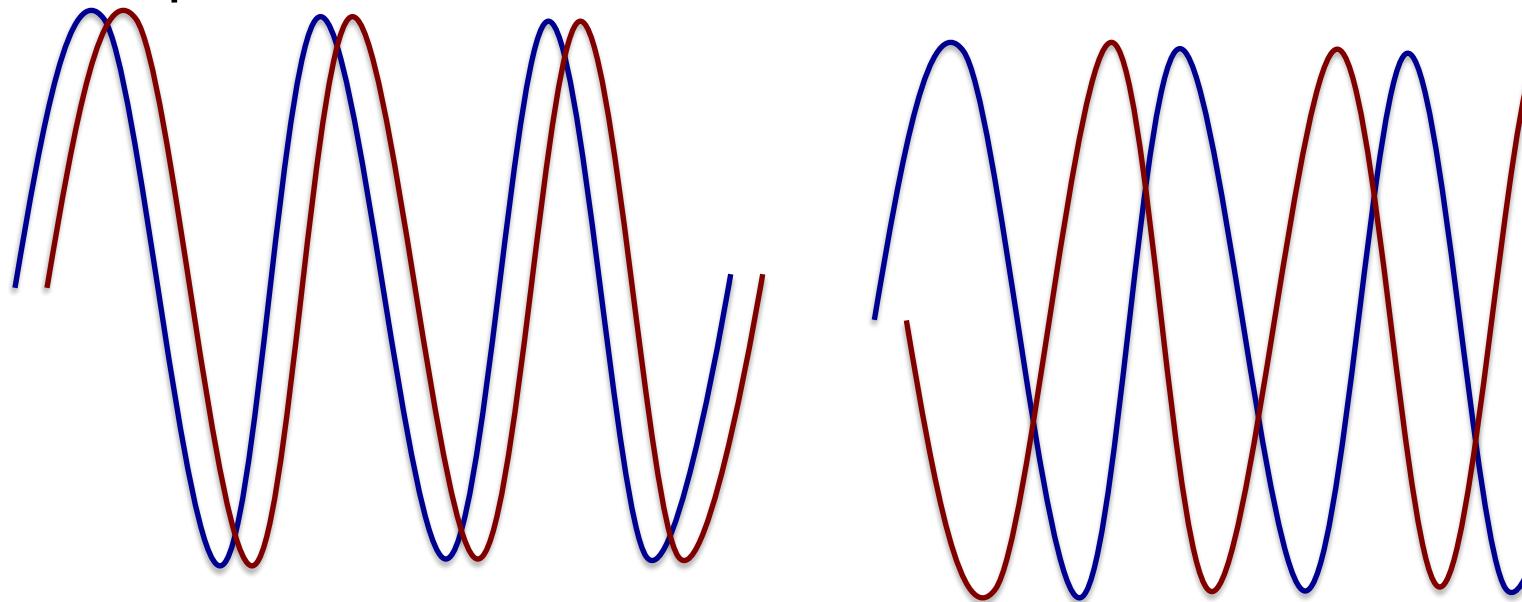
v – linear velocity

W - angular rotation



How to Attack

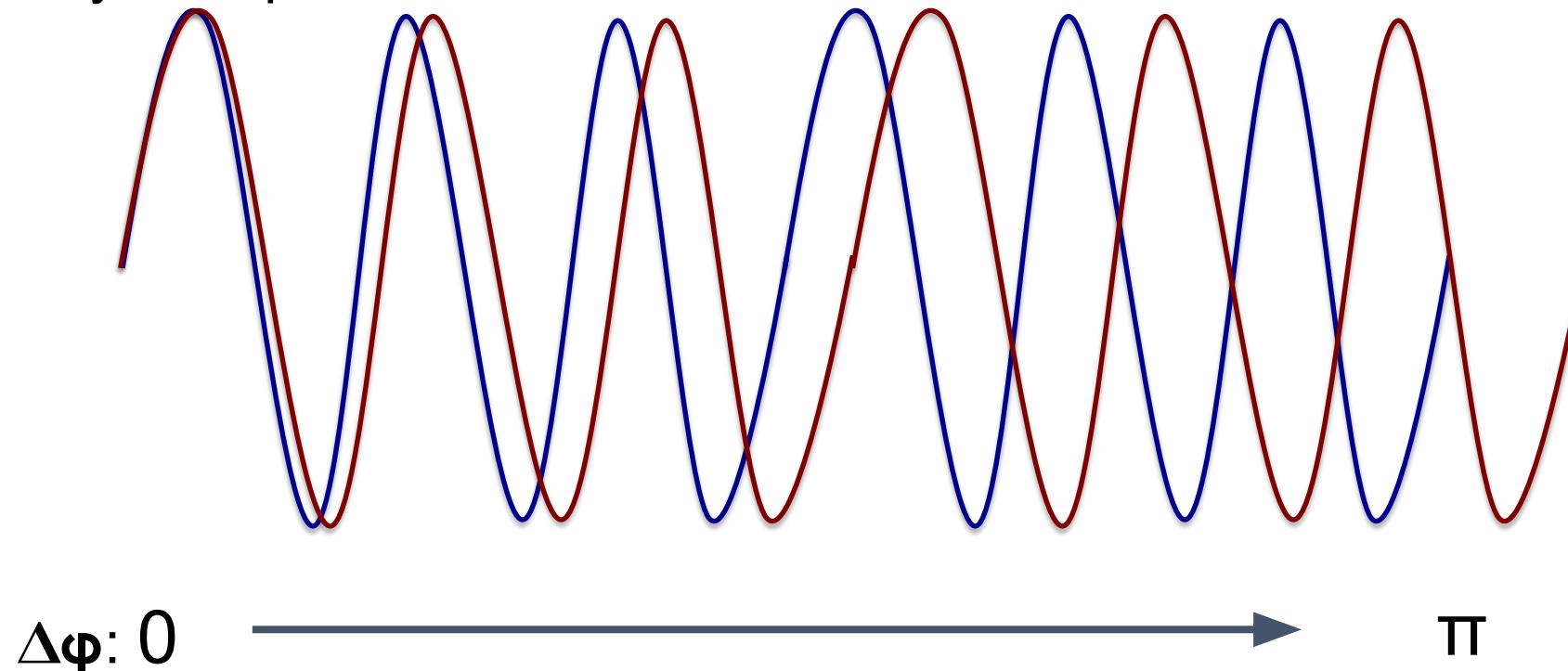
Gyroscope



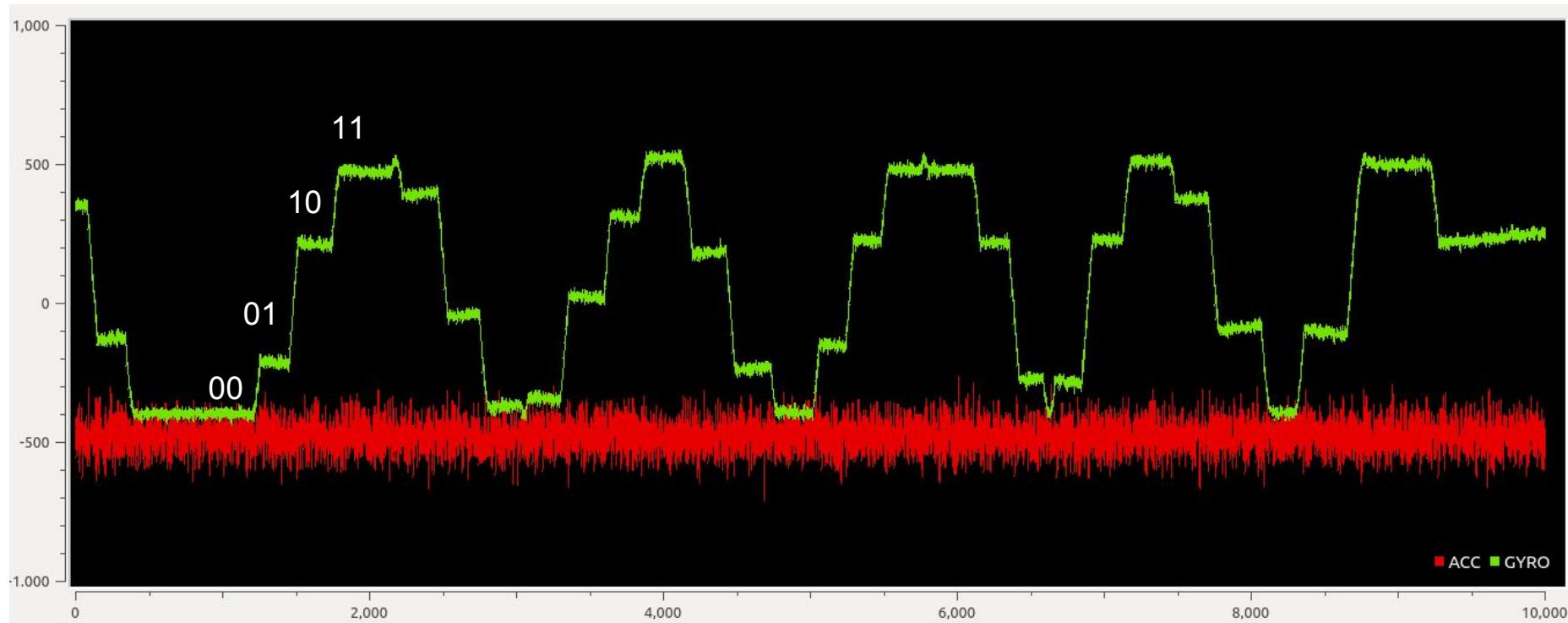
$$0 < \Delta\phi < \pi \\ A > 0$$

$$\pi < \Delta\phi < 2\pi \\ A < 0$$

Gyroscope



Modulation Demo



Attack Attempts

VR Devices(including Phones)

Facebook Oculus Rift CV1

HTC Vive + Controller

Microsoft HoloLens

iPhone 7

Samsung Galaxy S7

Drone

DJI phantom 3

Self Balancing Vehicles(including Toys)

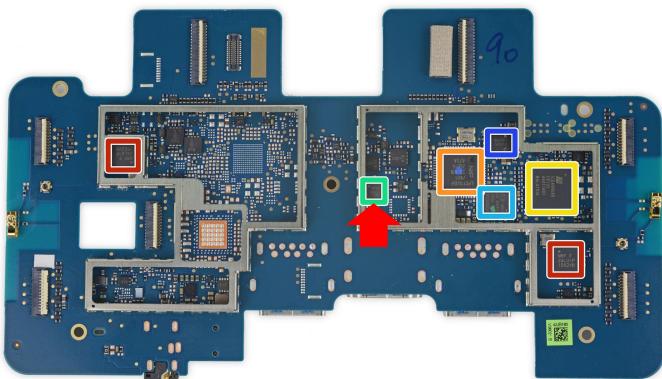
DIY balancing robot

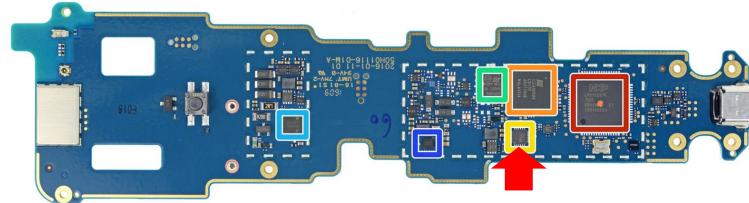
Mi Mitu toy robot

Mi Ninebot Mini



- HTC Vive Headset





No detailed tear-down
Pictures.



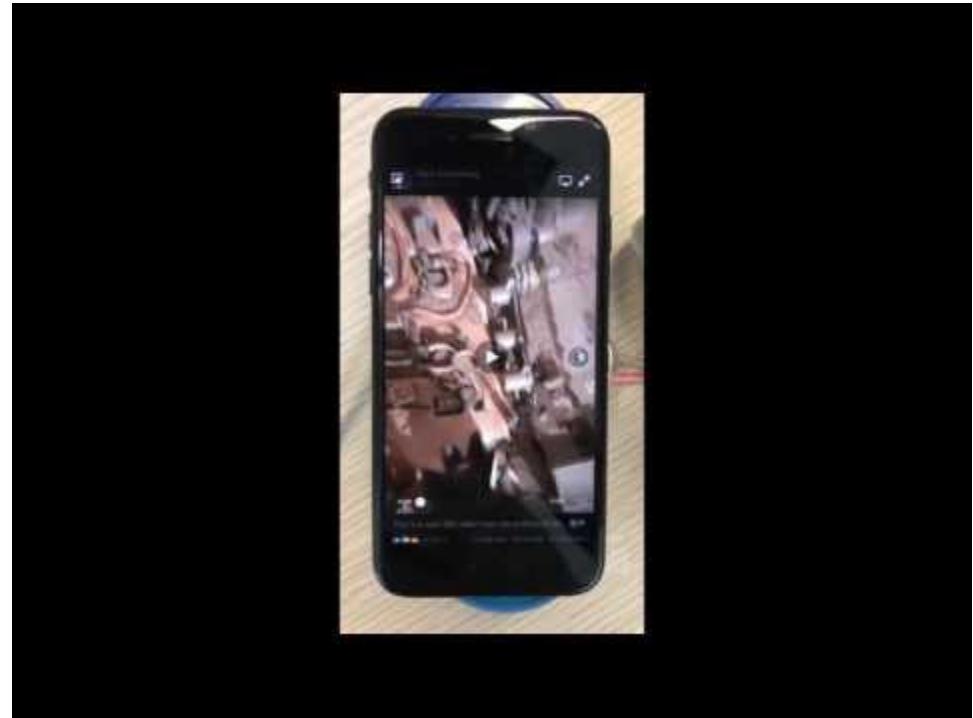
Video Demo: Samsung S7

Unknown chips
Position near rear cam

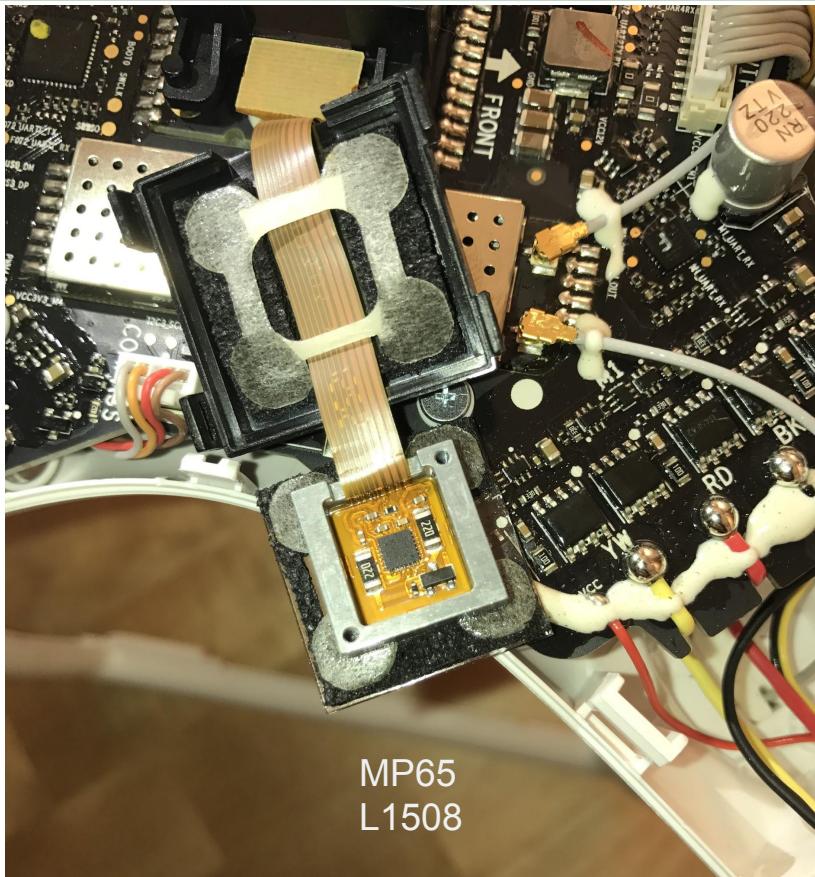


Video Demo: iPhone 7

Unknown chip



DJI Phantom 3 Standard



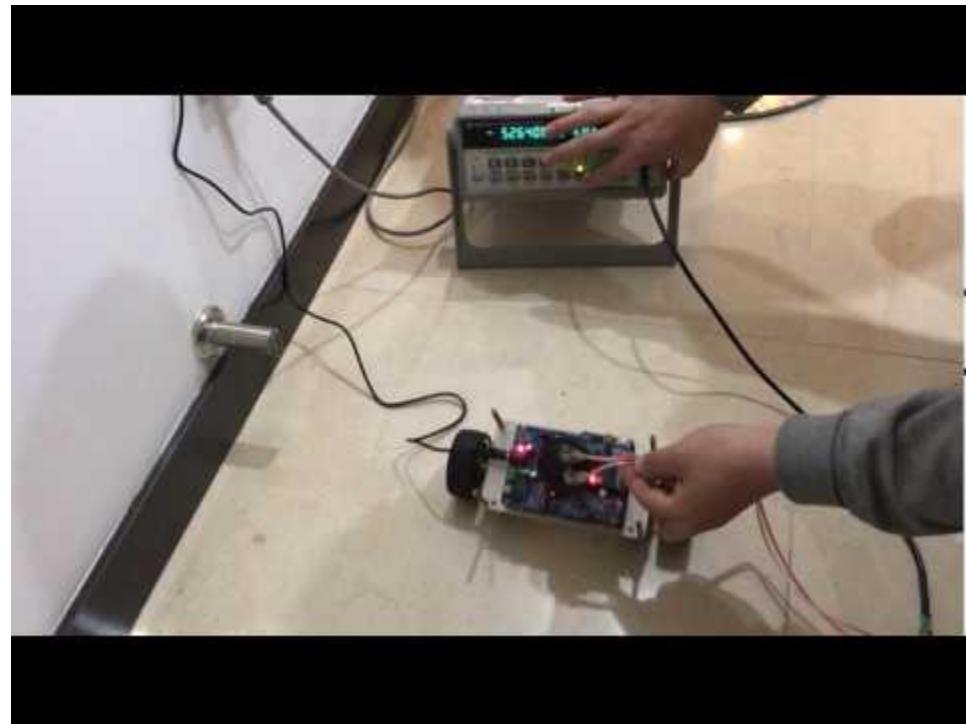
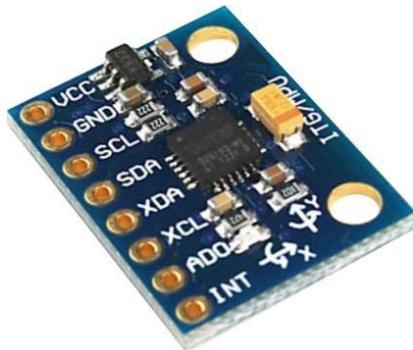
DJI Phantom 3 Standard - Camera

Unknown chips



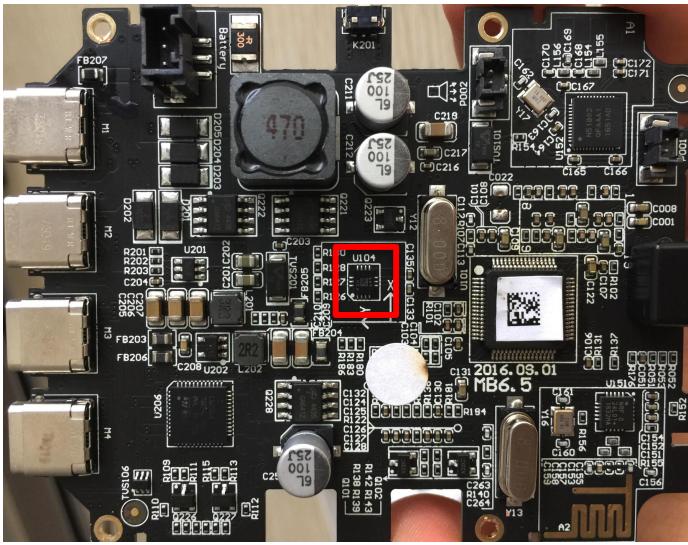
DIY Self-balancing Robot

MPU6050 module



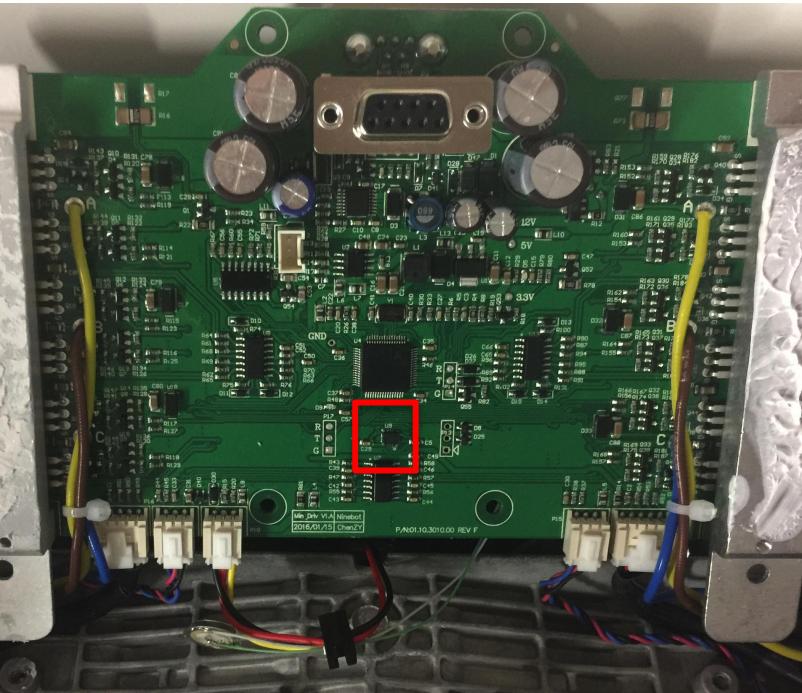
MiTU Self-balancing Robot

- Unknown chip



Commerical Scooter

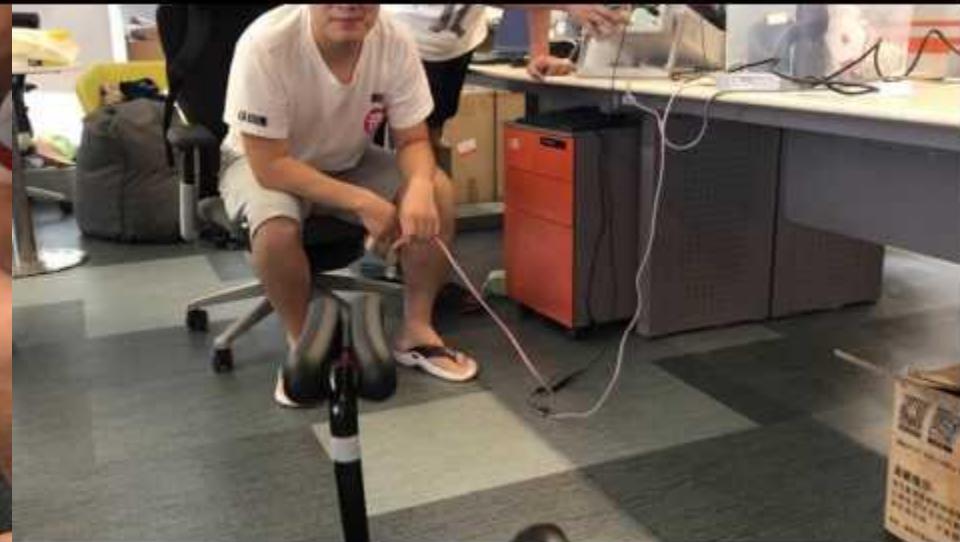
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Commerical Scooter



Without PA

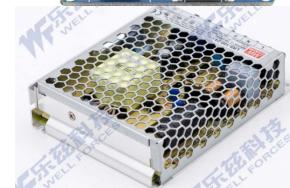


With PA

What about real car?



Device	Model	Price
Signal Genenerator	FA20 Max Freq: 20MHz (>> 30kHz) Max Ampl: 20Vpp	\$320
Ultrasound Emitter	2425	\$0.4
Amplifier	TDA8932	\$2
DC Power	LRS-100-24	\$10
Signal Generator	UTG9002C Max Freq: 2MHz Max Ampl: 25Vpp	\$16



MEMS and Security: An inexhaustive list

	Gyroscope	Accelerometer	Other MEMS*
DoS	Son, et al.	Trippel, et al.	TODO
Manipulation	This work!	Trippel, et al.	TODO
Long Range	TODO	TODO	TODO

* Other MEMS chips include MEMS microphones, barometers, digital micromirror display and so on.

Countermeasures

1. Shell

- prevent sonic energy from intruding.
- reflective material with multilayer may be considered.

2. Software

- actively detect the resonating sound with microphone.
- warn or perform noise cancelling.

3. Chip

- new design of MEMS chips that can resist sonic attacks*.

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Q&A

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