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 - RF
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 - Transportation

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3. Radiation Monitoring Systems - Mirion
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4. Attacks
5. Responsible disclosure

Three Mile Island, US



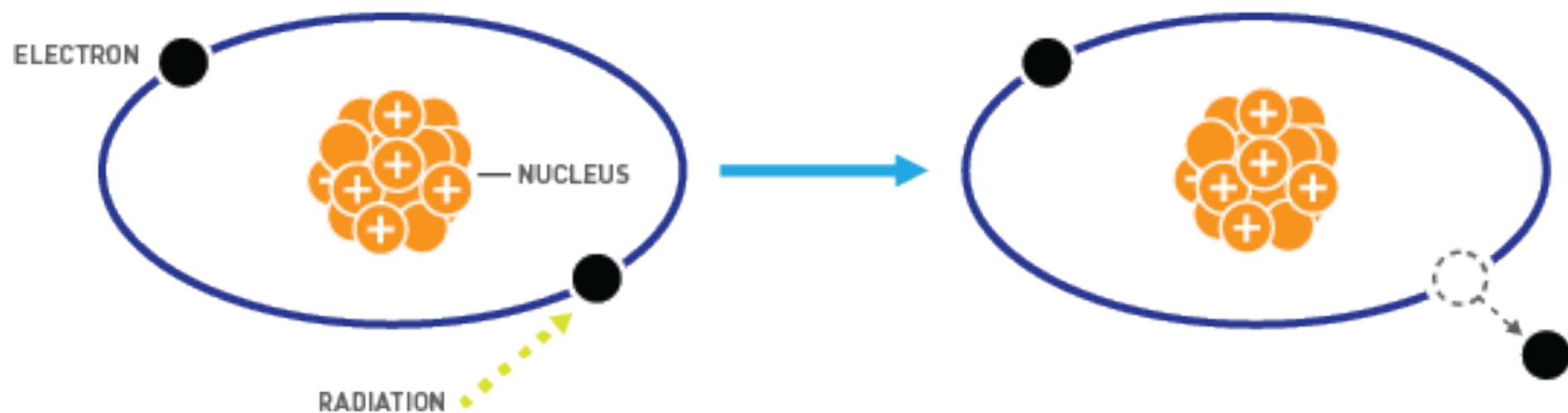
Juzbado, Spain

Juzbado, Spain
(September 2007)

Guards at a fuel-element-producing facility found uranium tablets along a perimeter fence, in what authorities believe was an attempt by a member of the workforce to smuggle the goods out of the complex.⁸⁴

Potential theft for illicit trade

IONIZING RADIATION





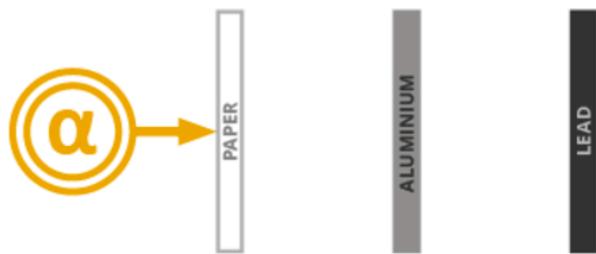
ALPHA

2 protons & 2 neutrons

IONISATION ABILITY:



HOW PENETRATING?



Many smoke detectors contain americium-241, which releases alpha radiation and helps detect smoke. Alpha radiation-emitting elements have also been used to power some heart pacemakers and some space probes, including the Mars Curiosity Rover.



BETA

High energy electron

IONISATION ABILITY:



HOW PENETRATING?



Beta-radiation emitters can be used as tracers in medicine to image inside the body, and have also been used in cancer treatment. In industry, they have been used to find leaks in underground pipes, and to gauge the thickness of materials during manufacture.



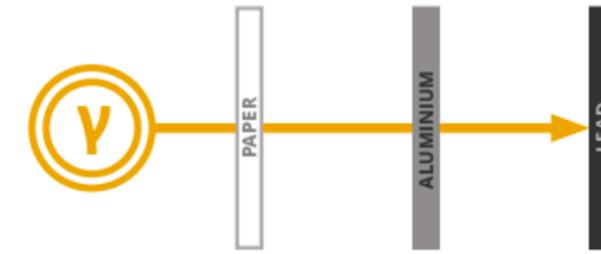
GAMMA

High energy EM radiation

IONISATION ABILITY:



HOW PENETRATING?



Gamma radiation is used to help sterilise medical equipment, and can also help sterilise packaged foods. Gamma ray detection is used by a number of telescopes to produce images. They have also been used in cancer treatment to help kill cancer cells.

LUDLUM

*"Our product lines serve many different markets including **nuclear power**, national laboratories, homeland security, oil and gas exploration, mining, environmental, medicine, industry, government, solid waste and more [...] Ludlum has shipped **over 2500 gateway systems to over 20 countries**. [...] We have additionally received significant contracts by the **US government and more recently by China for the more stringent homeland security applications along borders and ports**"*

www.ludlums.com

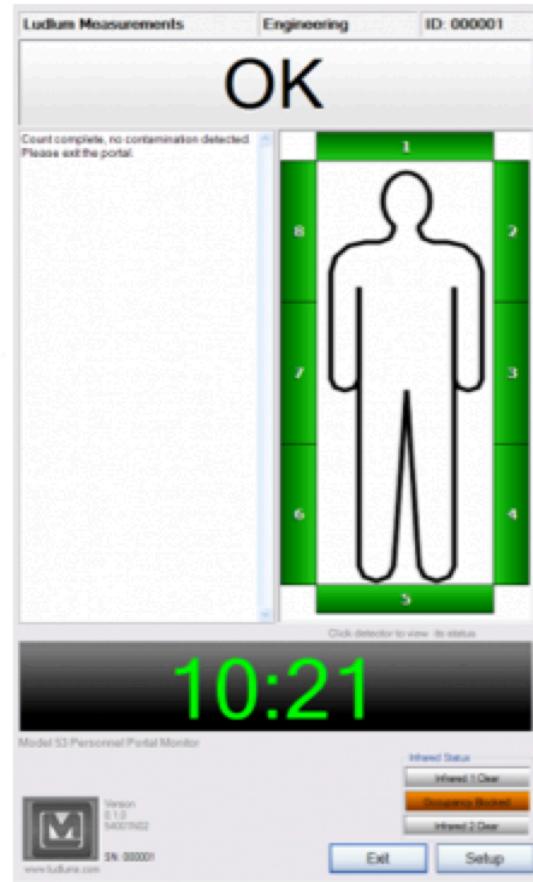
PORTAL MONITORS

- Sea/Dry Ports
- Border Crossings
- Airports
- Nuclear Power Plants



Frank Franklin II/ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pedestrian



```
// Lmi.Sam.Supervisor.Host
private const string BackDoor = "5147";

// Lmi.Sam.Supervisor.Host
public void ValidatePassword(string Password)
{
    ApplicationSettings applicationSettings = Program.Monitor.Settings;
    this.currentPasswordLevel = Host.Level.None;
    if (Password == applicationSettings.PasswordDecrypt(applicationSettings.Level1Password))
    {
        this.currentPasswordLevel = Host.Level.Level1;
    }
    if (Password == applicationSettings.PasswordDecrypt(applicationSettings.Level2Password))
    {
        this.currentPasswordLevel = Host.Level.Level2;
    }
    if (Password == "5147")
    {
        this.currentPasswordLevel = Host.Level.Level2;
    }
}
```

BackDoor = “5147”

Vehicles

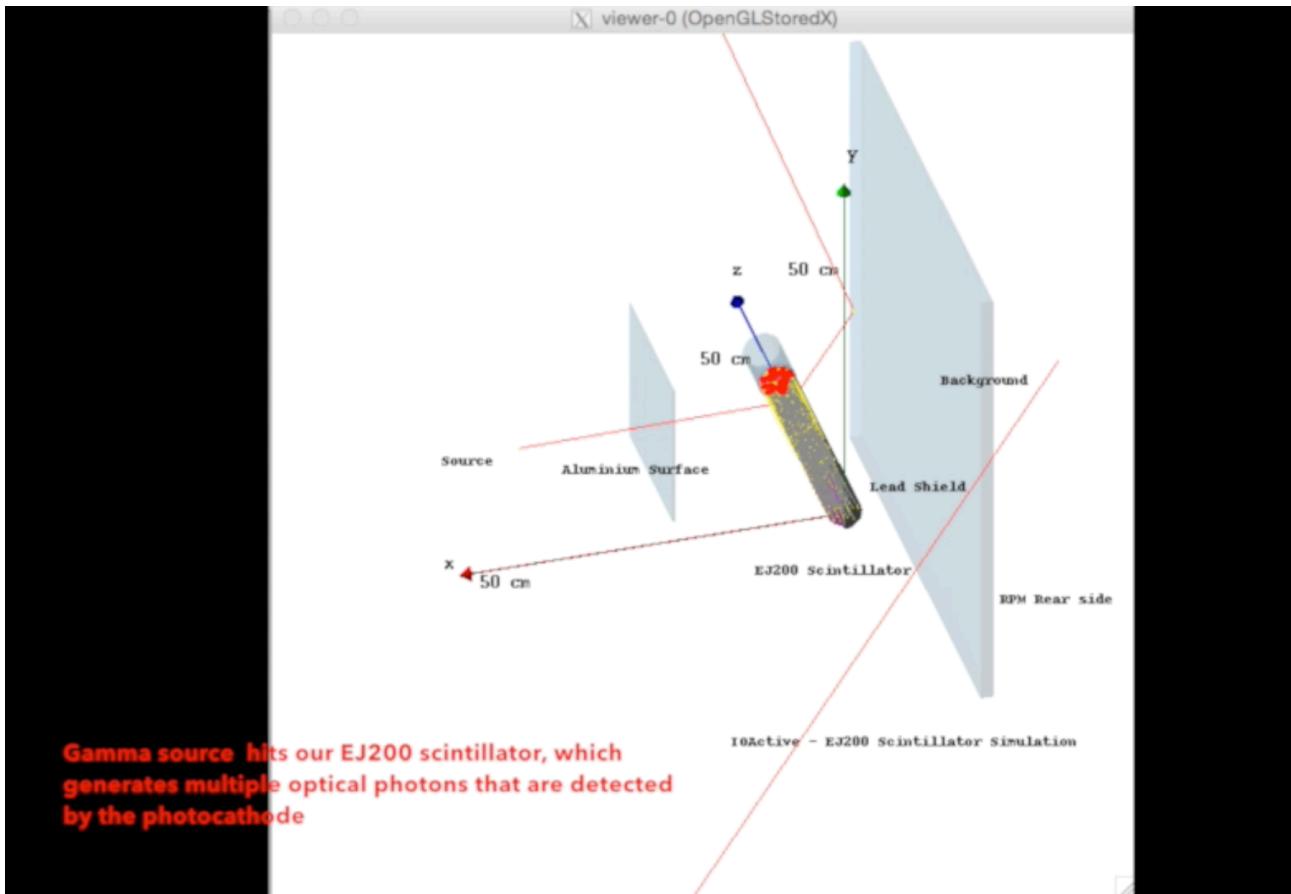


Image by www.ludlums.com

4525 SERIES

- 20034/UDP
 - NetBurner Discovery and Configuration
- 23/TCP
 - Ludlum Clear-Text Protocol

Stealth Man-in-the-middle Attack



- Hides specific isotopes
- CERN's GEANT4
<http://geant4.web.cern.ch/geant4/>
- EJ200 Scintillator

Radiation Monitoring Systems

Image by Mike Walker



ALARA

As Low As Reasonably Achievable

RMDs aid plant personnel in:

- Protecting the health and safety of the public and plant personnel
- Assessing plant radiological conditions to identify and mitigate the consequences of abnormal plant events
- Monitoring effluents and environmental monitoring no matter the operational states.

RMDs provide:

- ✖ Input to safety systems (Class 1E)
- Data to be consumed by operators

- Portable, semi-portable or locally installed equipment
 - 1. Alpha, beta, gamma, neutron
 - 2. Teledosimetry
 - 3. Remote operation
 - 4. Health Physics/ Emergency Response Teams

Purpose

- Personnel
- Area
- Process
- Waste
- Environmental

Safety

- Not important to safety
- Important to safety
 - Safety Systems
 - Protection systems, safety actuation systems,
 - Power Supply, HVAC
 - 1E
 - Safety-Related Systems
 - Radiation Monitoring Systems
 - HMIs

Area Segregation

- Controlled
- Supervised

Controlled >> Supervised

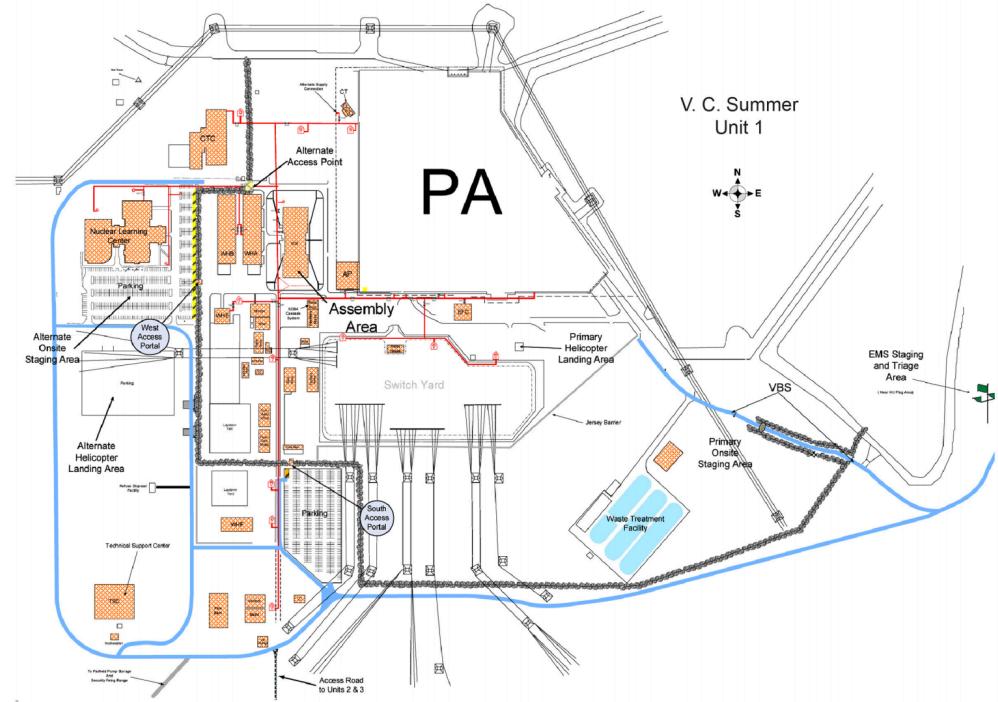
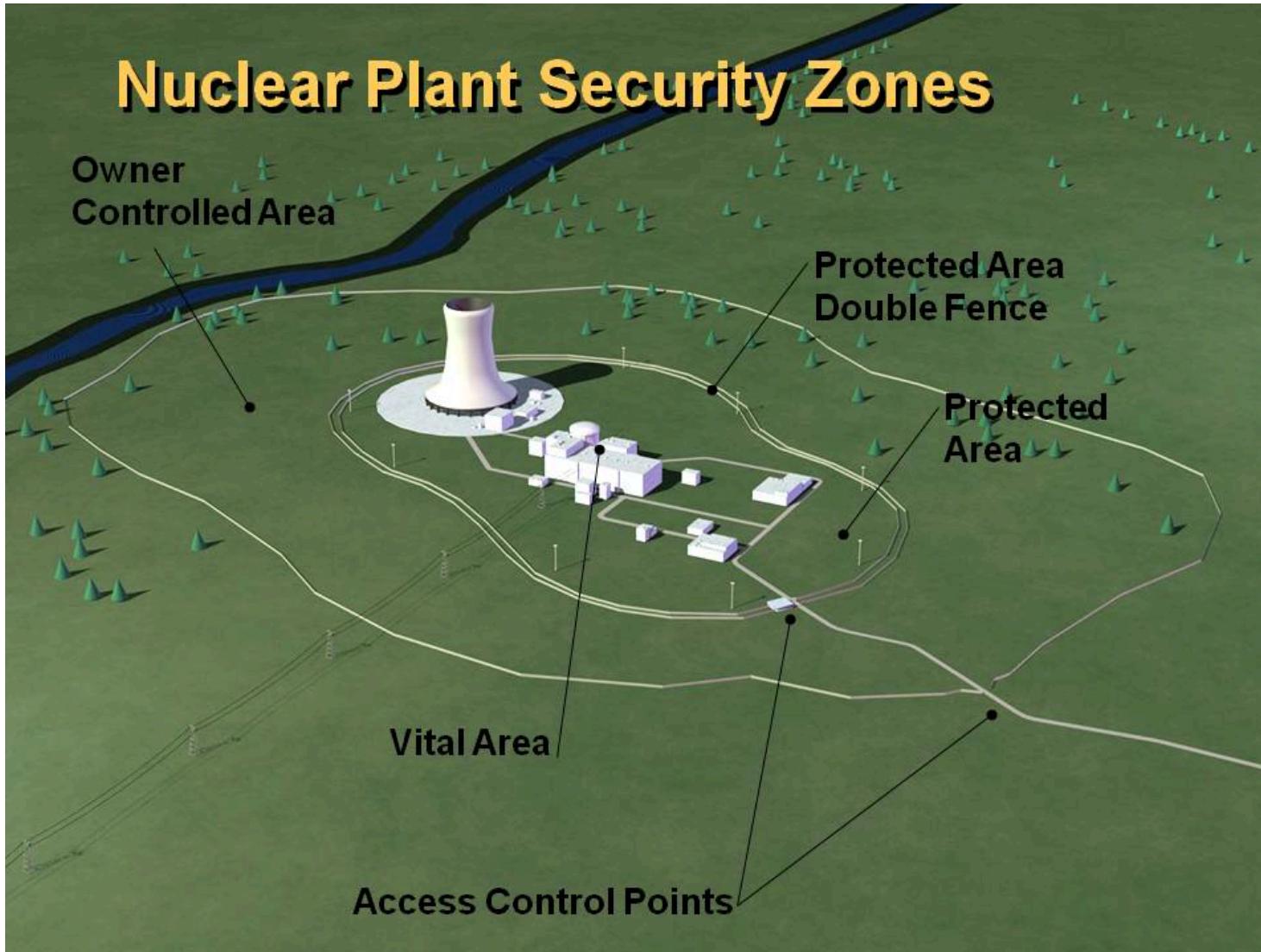


Figure A1-1 Unit 1 Facility Layout

V.C. Summer NPP (US) Unit 1

<https://www.nrc.gov/docs/ML1104/ML110410260.pdf>



Mirion – WRM2

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

The WRM2 System provides a means to monitor and supervise a population of various radiation monitors spread out over a large area. It wirelessly links devices equipped with WRM2 transmitters and can display their statuses and measurements on a computer comfortably outside the area where the radiation measurement is taking place.

<https://www.mirion.com/products/wrm2-wireless-remote-monitoring-system/>



DRM-1 (GM)



DRM-1D (CsI)



DRM-2(D)



Remote Display Unit



DRM-2(E)



Base Transceiver



MESH Repeater



External Transceiver



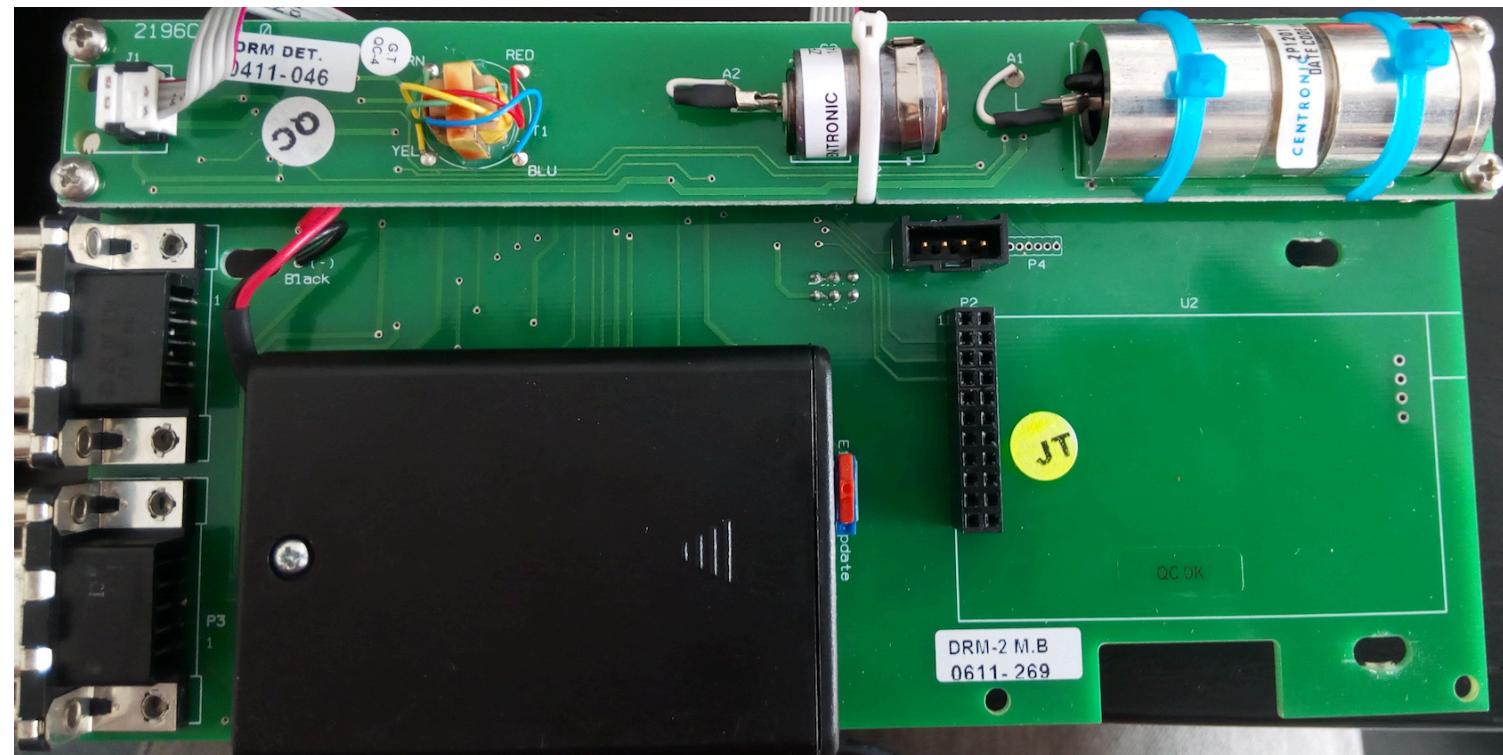
RAMSYS TX



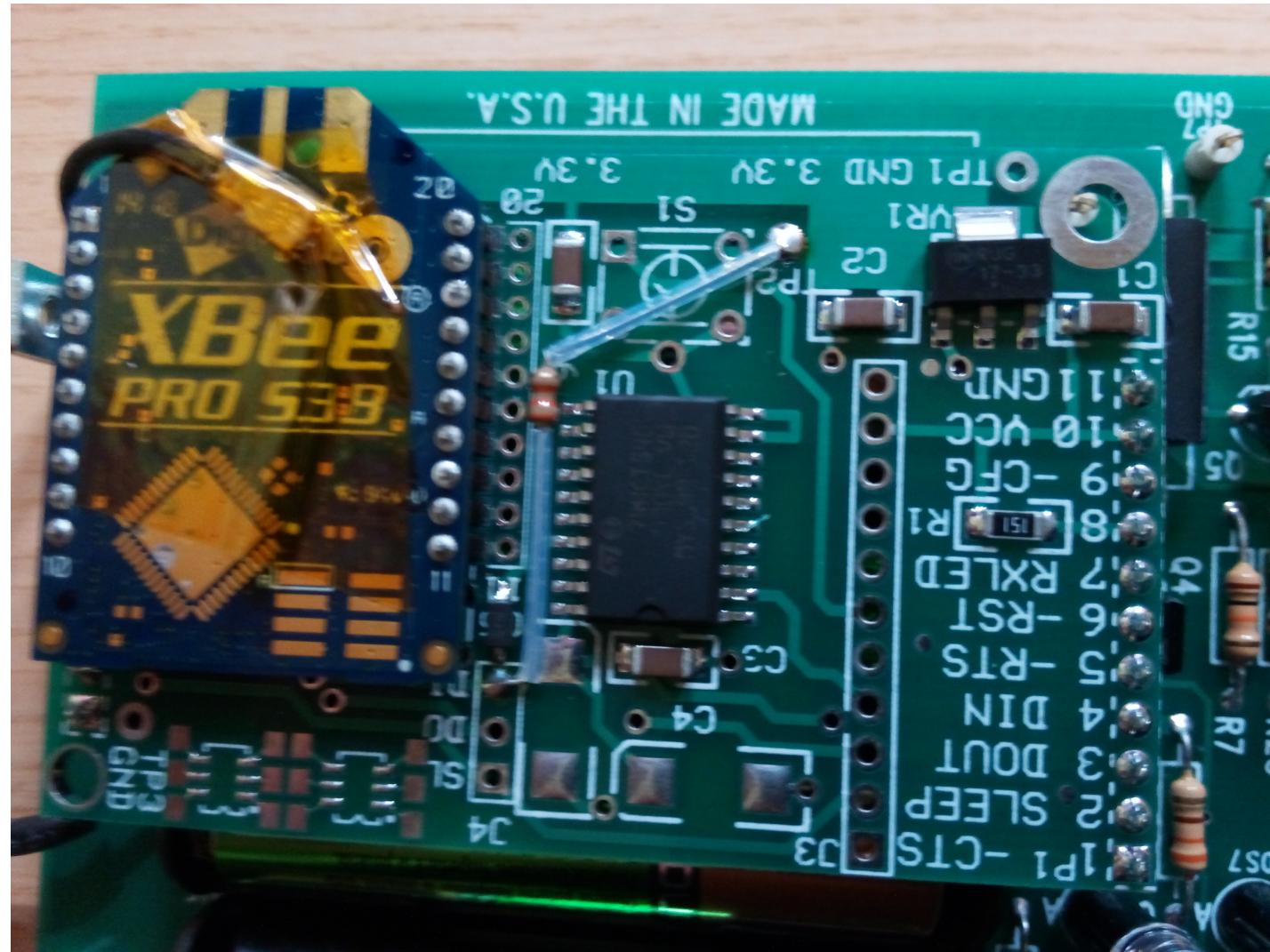
ABPM 203/4M

<https://www.mirion.com/products/particulate-monitors-2/>

DRM-2



Base Transceiver



IPAM-Tx



Digi Xbee-PRO XSC

"Networks are defined with a unique network identifier. For modules to communicate they must be configured with the same network identifier. The ID parameter allows multiple networks to co-exist on the same physical channel"

<https://www.digi.com/resources/documentation/digidocs/pdfs/90002173.pdf>

OEM Range: 0x8000 – 0xFFFF Read-only

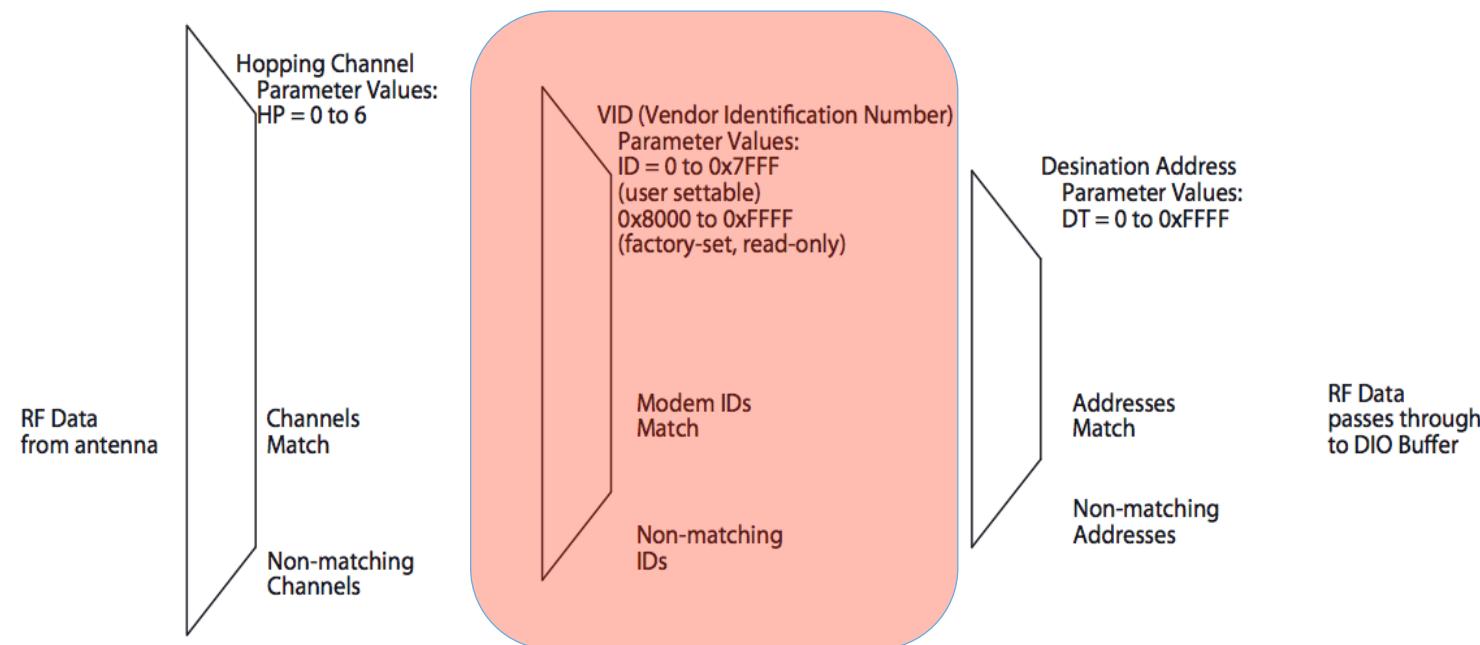
ID	0x27 (39d)	Module VID	User set table: 0x10 - 0x7FFF Read-only: 0x8000 – 0xFFFF	Networking	2	-
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OEM networks are affected.

XBee-PRO XSC Addressing

Each RF packet contains addressing information that is used to filter incoming RF data. Receiving modules inspect the Hopping Channel (HP parameter), Vendor Identification Number (ID parameter) and Destination Address (DT parameter) contained in each RF packet. Data that does not pass through all three network security layers is discarded.

Filtration layers contained in the RF packet header



Goals

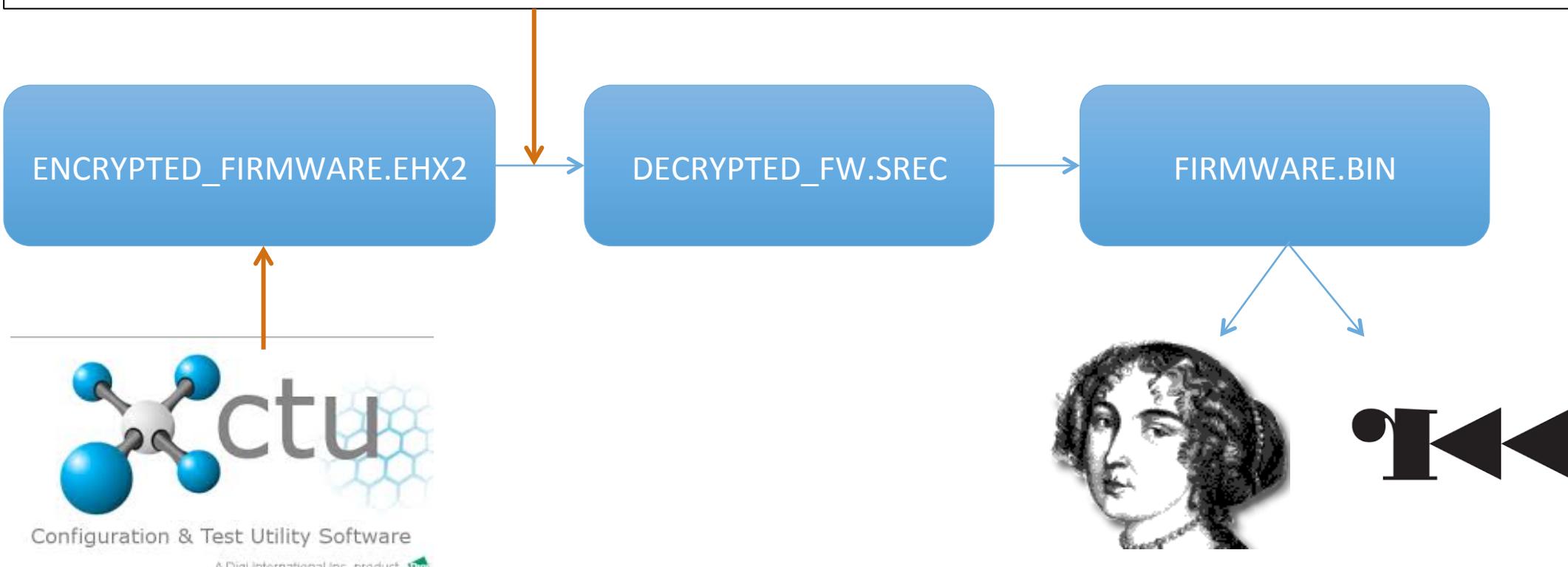
1. Access to arbitrary Digi XSC Networks
2. XSC/WRM2 Analysis

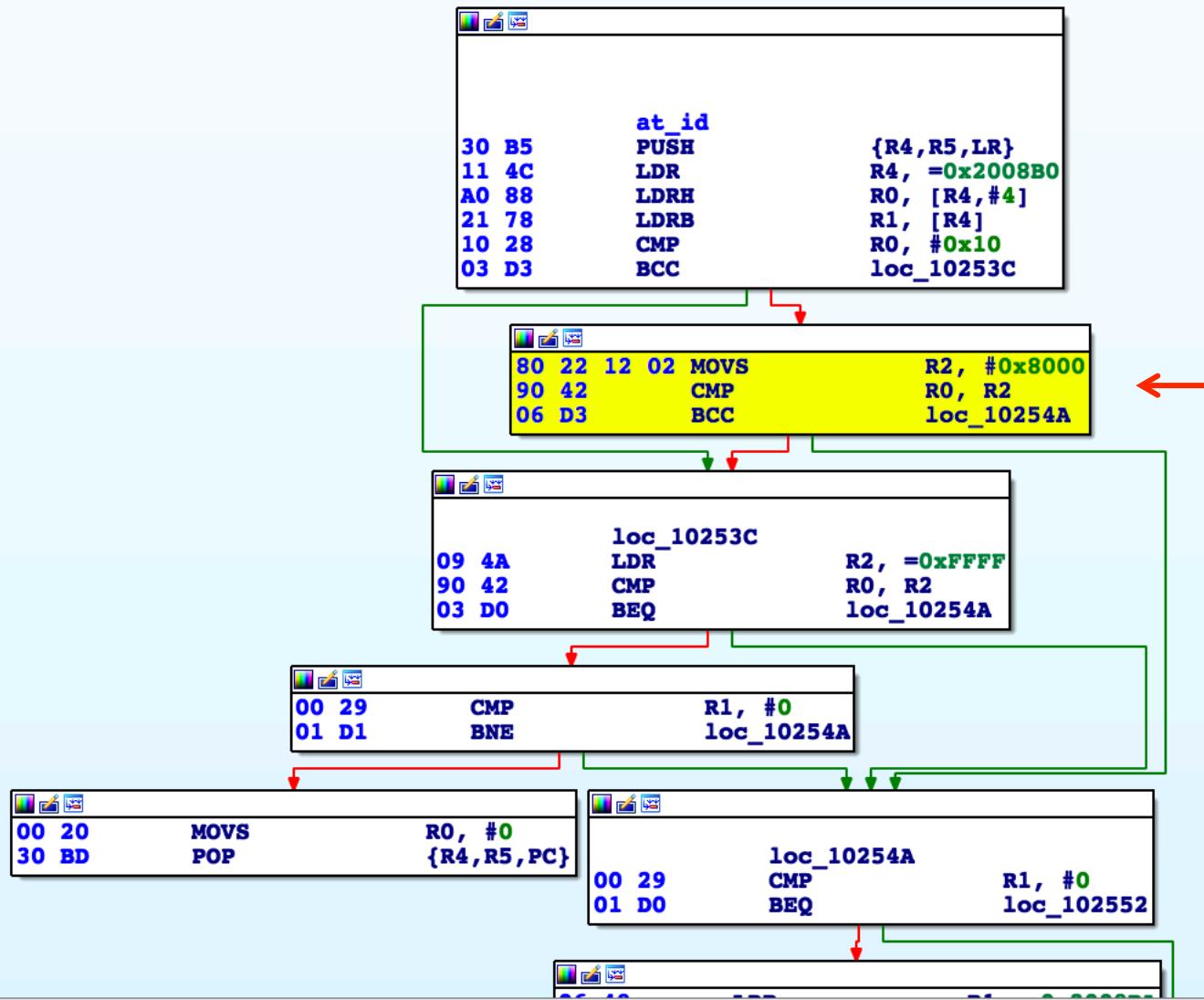
Approach

- 1. Firmware**
- 2. Hardware**
- 3. Radio**

FIRMWARE

```
key = "B7E648AE72434579B7F4D482587075D2B7E648AE72434579".decode('hex')
iv = "B7E648AE72434579".decode('hex')
des3 = DES3.new(key,DES3.MODE_CBC,iv)
```





ID (Modem VID) Command

Command Summary

AT Command: ATID

Binary Command: 0x27 (39 decimal)

Parameter Range (user-set table) 0x10 – 0x7FFF
 (Factory-set and read-only) 0x8000 – 0xFFFF

Number of bytes returned: 2

Description

<Networking> Set/Read the “Vendor Identification Number”. Only modems with matching IDs can communicate with each other. Modules with non-matching VIDs will not receive unintended data transmission.

Unlocking OEM Range

-> Patch + Fix 1-byte Checksum +Encrypt

16592	03191A02 00000000 0103070F 1F000000	
16608	11040302 04018200 41002000 15000000	
16624	2E FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF	C A
16640	FFFFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF	.
16656	FFFFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF	.
16672	FFFFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF	.
16688	FFFFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF FFFFFFFF	.

Hopping Sequences

```

ROM:00105010 ; unsigned __int8 patterns[196]
ROM:00105010 patterns    DCB 2, 0x13, 3, 0x12, 0x16, 5, 0x11, 0x10, 9, 0xF, 0xA, 0x17, 0xC, 7, 0xE, 8, 0x14, 0, 6, 0xD, 0xB, 0x15, 1, 0x18, 4; 0
ROM:00105010                                     ; DATA XREF: hopping_pattern+18↑o
ROM:00105010                                     ; ROM:off_102B80↑o
ROM:00105010         DCB 0x19, 0x1A, 0xC, 5, 3, 0xF, 7, 4, 1, 0x10, 0x17, 0x15, 6, 0x13, 0xD, 0xC, 0xE, 9, 0x12, 0x11, 0x16, 0xA, 0xB, 0, 2; 25
ROM:00105010         DCB 8, 0x18, 0x14, 0x19, 0x1A, 0xC, 0, 0x18, 0x11, 0x14, 0xC, 7, 4, 0xE, 0xD, 8, 0x12, 0xB, 0x16, 0x13, 2, 9, 0x10, 0x17, 6; 50
ROM:00105010         DCB 0xF, 0xA, 1, 0x15, 3, 5, 0x19, 0x1A, 0xC, 0xC, 4, 0xB, 0x17, 0x12, 0x11, 2, 8, 0x18, 3, 6, 0x13, 7, 0x10, 0x14, 5; 75
ROM:00105010         DCB 0, 0x15, 0xE, 0x16, 0xA, 0xF, 0xD, 9, 1, 0x19, 0x1A, 0xC, 0x13, 4, 0xA, 0, 1, 0x18, 0x11, 8, 0x12, 2, 5, 0x10, 0x16; 100
ROM:00105010         DCB 0xF, 0xE, 9, 6, 0x17, 3, 0xB, 0xD, 0xC, 0x14, 0x15, 7, 0x19, 0x1A, 0xC, 4, 0xE, 0xF, 0xD, 0x18, 0xB, 0x11, 0xC, 3, 7; 125
ROM:00105010         DCB 0x12, 0x15, 0x17, 0x16, 1, 0x14, 5, 2, 9, 0xA, 0x10, 0x13, 0, 6, 8, 0x19, 0x1A, 0xC, 8, 0x11, 0xD, 0xA, 2, 0, 0x14; 150
ROM:00105010         DCB 0xB, 6, 0x17, 9, 1, 7, 0x13, 0x12, 0xF, 0xE, 0x16, 0xC, 0x10, 0x15, 5, 4, 0x18, 3, 0x19, 0x1A, 0xC; 175

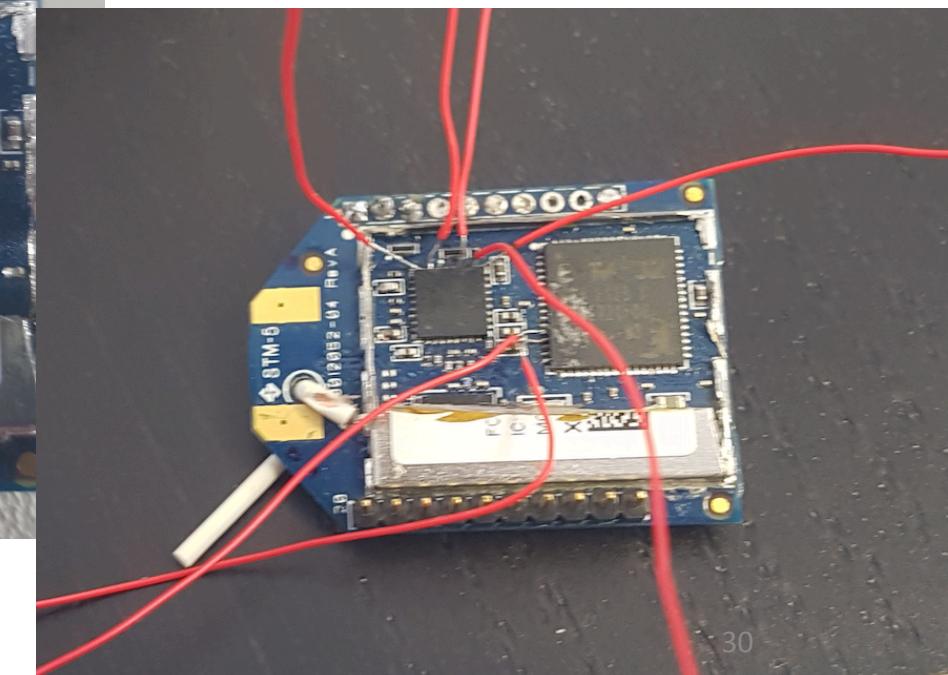
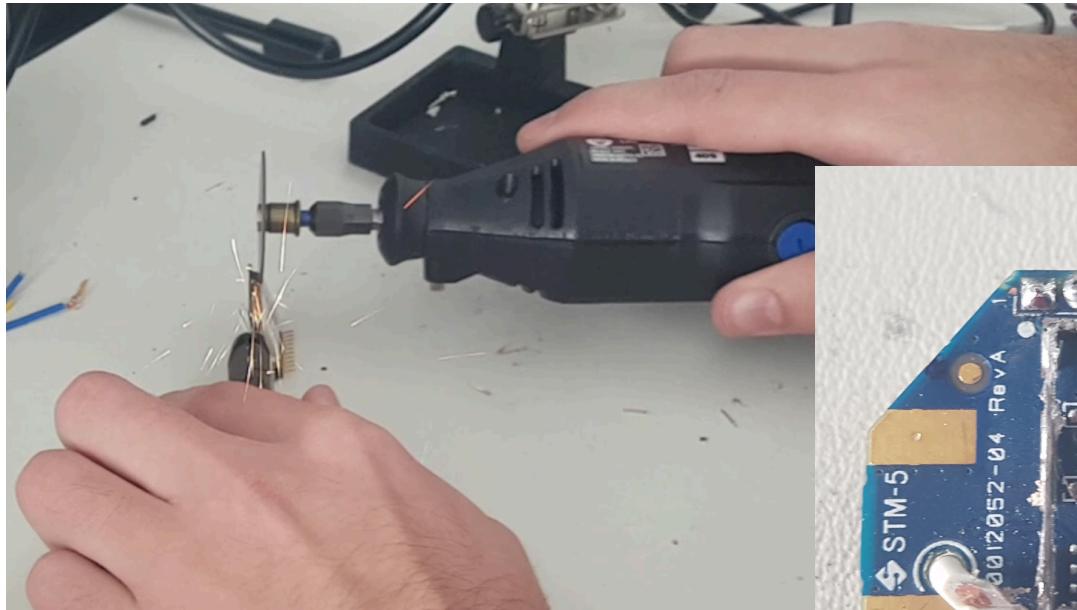
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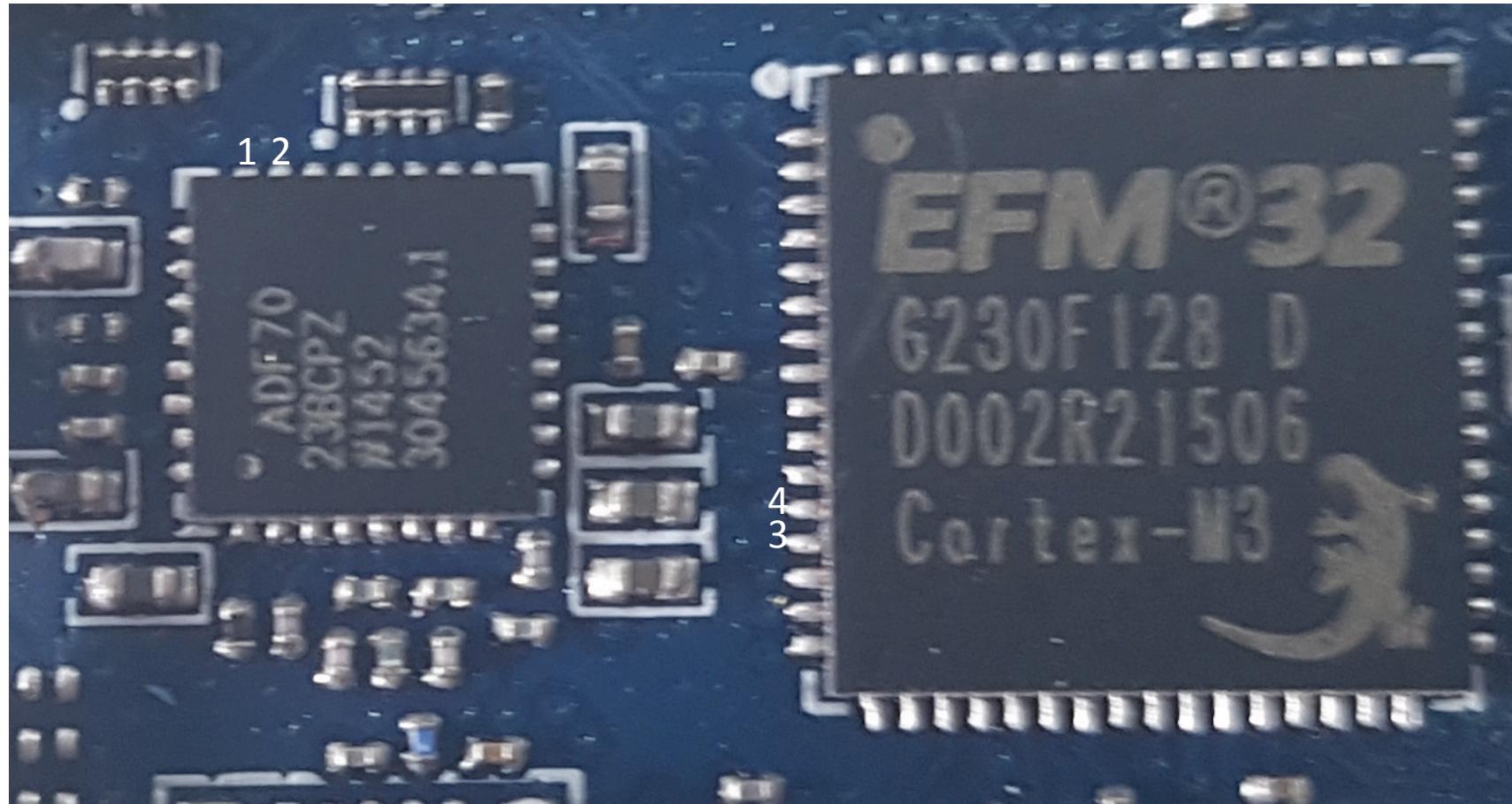
General

Frequency Range	902-928MHz (located in the 900MHz ISM Band)
Spread Spectrum	Frequency Hopping
Network Topology	Point-to-Point, Peer-to-Peer, Point-to-Multipoint
Channel Capacity	7 hop sequences share 25 frequencies

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- 2. XSC/WRM2 Analysis**

HARDWARE

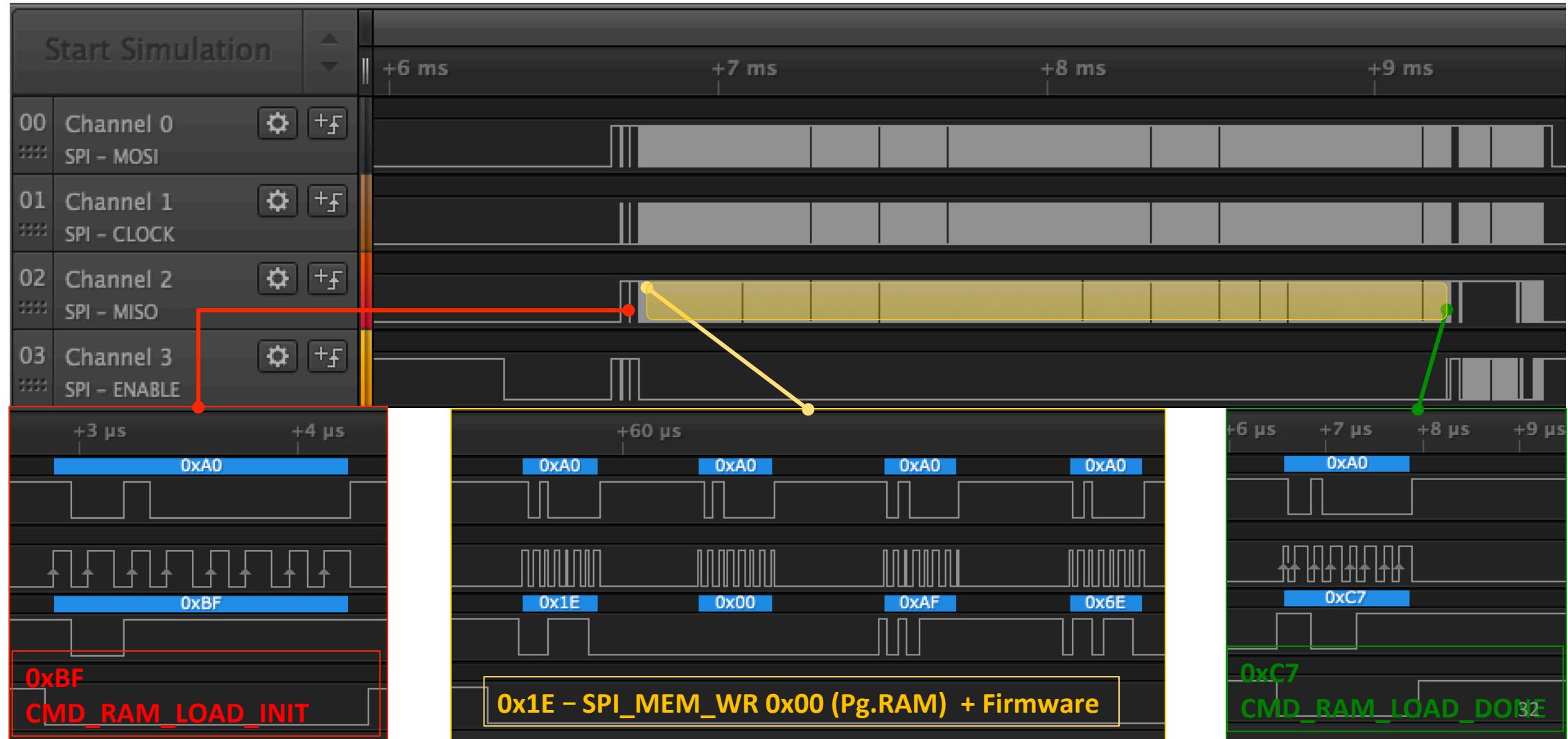




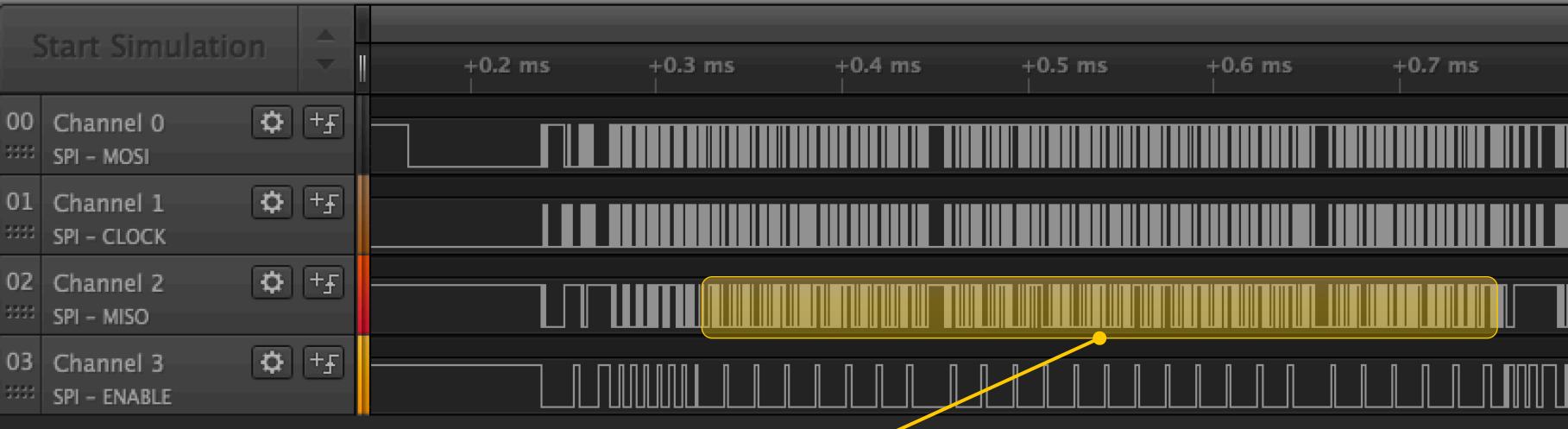
ADF7023

<http://www.analog.com/media/en/technical-documentation/data-sheets/ADF7023.pdf>

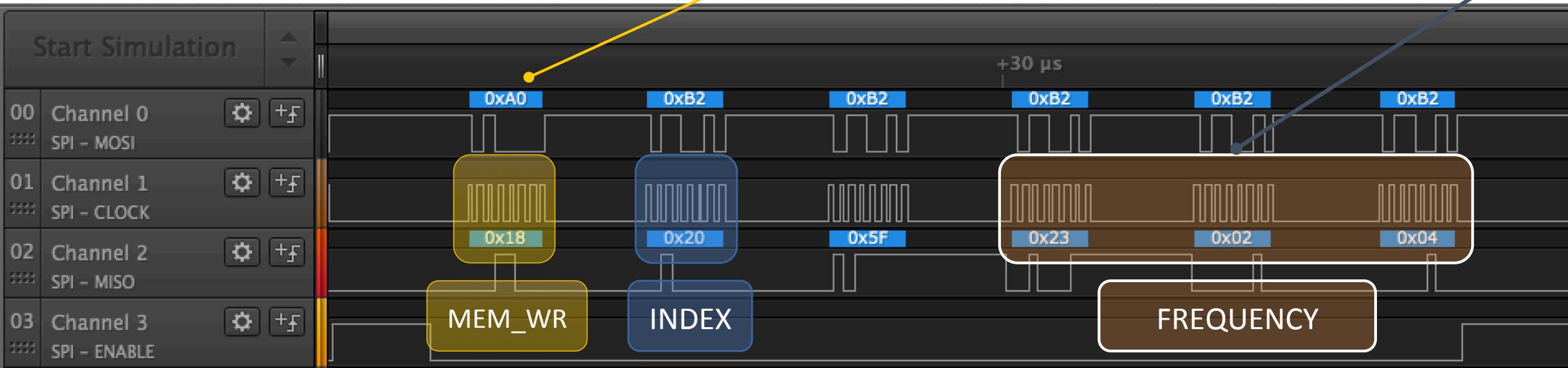
Reset



Reset



$$\text{Freq} = (26\text{M} * \text{Freq_Int})/2^{16}$$



Mirion always uses the first Hopping Pattern (0)

Center Frequencies – Pattern 0 – 25 channels – Digi XSC-PRO

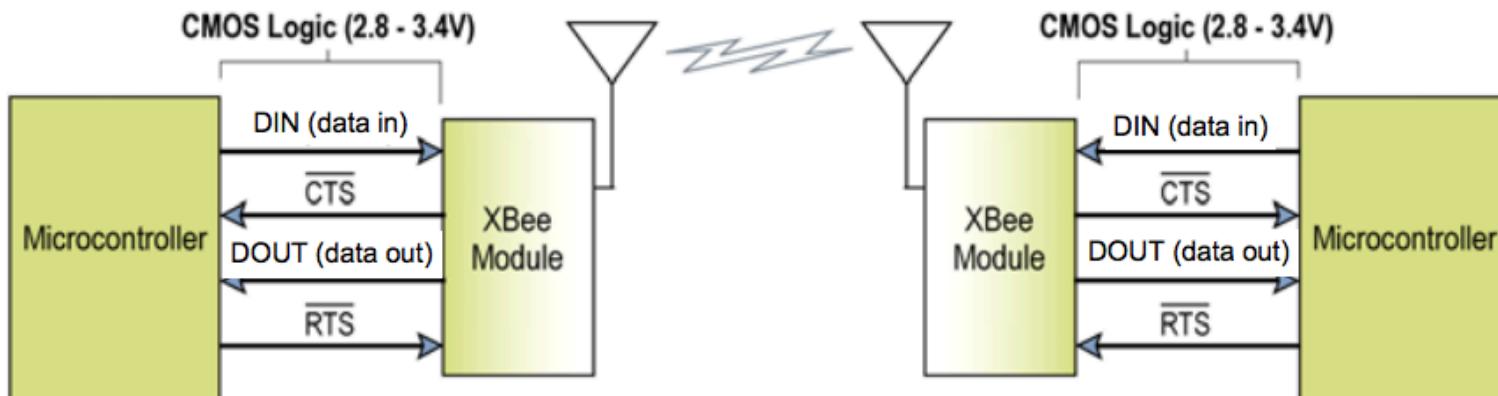
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1. 910818463,4	E. 914718761
2. 911118791,5	F. 915018692,3
3. 911418722,8	10. 915318623,6
4. 911718654,2	11. 915618555
5. 912018585,5	12. 915918883
6. 912318516,8	13. 916218814,4
7. 912618844,9	14. 916518745,7
8. 912918776,2	15. 916818677
9. 913218707,6	16. 917118608,4
A. 913518638,9	17. 917418936,4
B. 913818570,2	18. 917719264,4
C. 914118898,3	

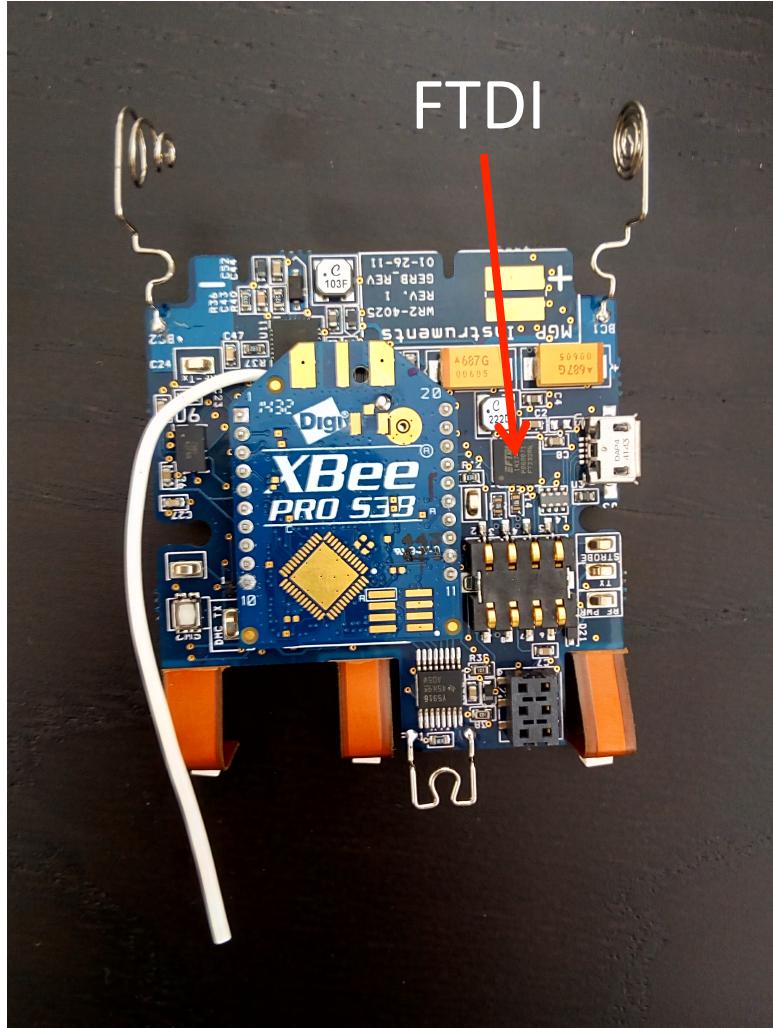
Pattern 0: 2, 0x13, 3, 0x12, 0x16, 5, 0x11, 0x10, 9, 0xF, 0xA, 0x17, 0xC, 7, 0xE, 8,
0x14, 0, 6, 0xD, 0xB, 0x15, 1, 0x18, 4

2.1.1. UART-Interfaced Data Flow

Devices that have a UART interface can connect directly through the pins of the XBee module as shown in the figure below.

**Figure 2-01. System Data Flow Diagram in a UART-interfaced environment
(Low-asserted signals distinguished with horizontal line over signal name.)**





MGP Instruments WRM2 900 PAM-TX Personal Alarm Transmitter

Item condition: **New other (see details)**
"R-4-F-14"

Quantity: More than 10 available

Price: **US \$177.95** [Buy It Now](#) [Add to cart](#) [Make Offer](#)

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Shipping: Will ship to Spain. Read item description or contact seller for shipping options. | [See details](#)
Item location: Vernon Hills, Illinois, United States
Ships to: Worldwide

Delivery: Varies

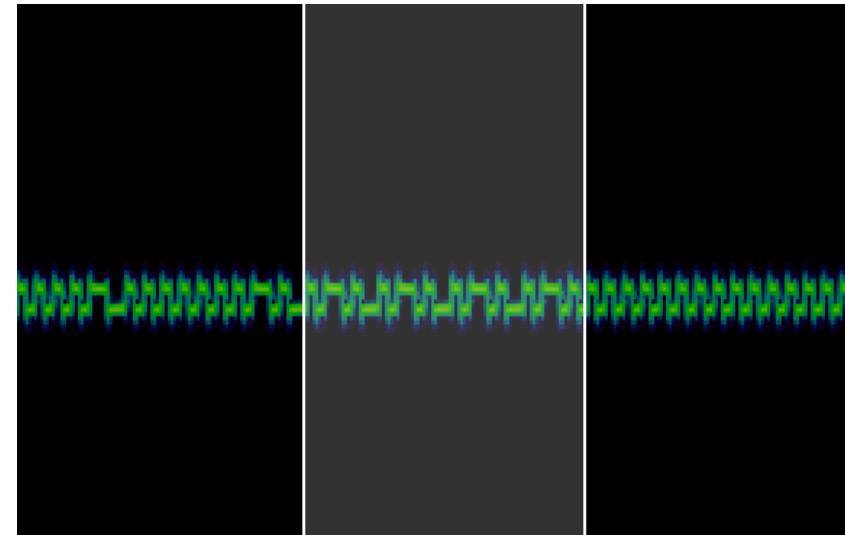
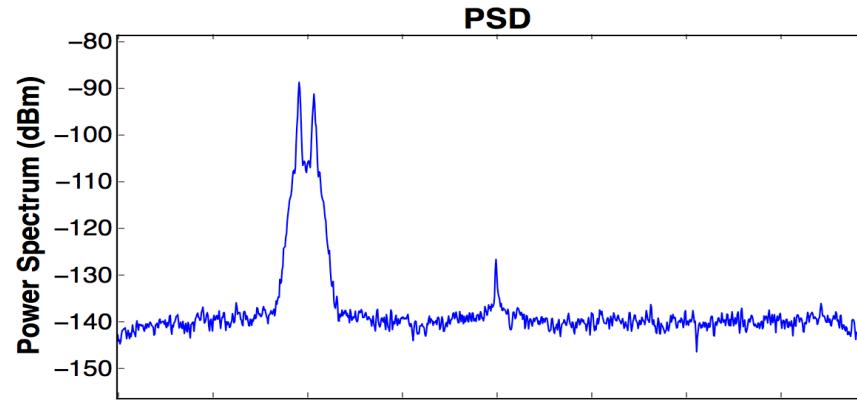
Payments: [PayPal](#)    

ID + Payload + Checksum

WRM2 Example: 1234567800000000001030YY

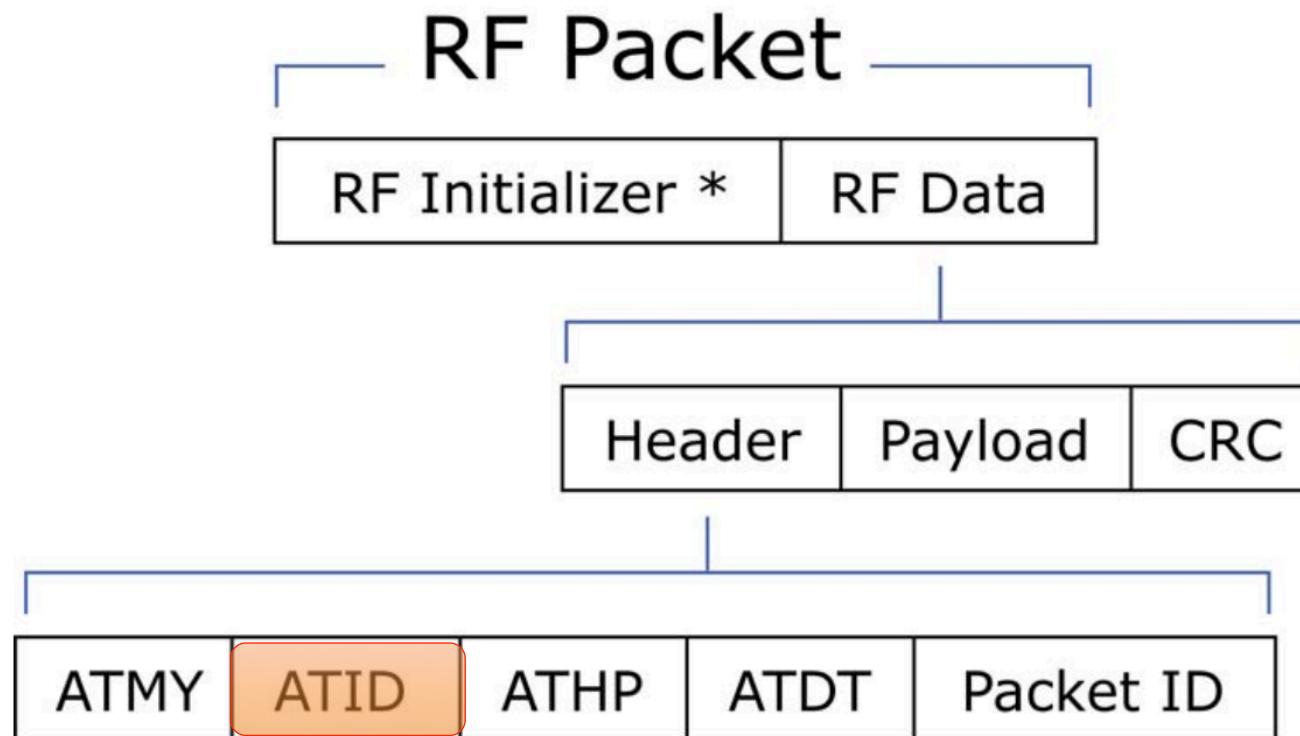
RADIO

- Modulation
 - 2GFSK
- Encoding Scheme
 - Biphase-S
- FHSS (Slow)
 - Channels
 - Center Frequency
 - Mark
 - Space
 - Width
 - Dwell time
 - Blanking time

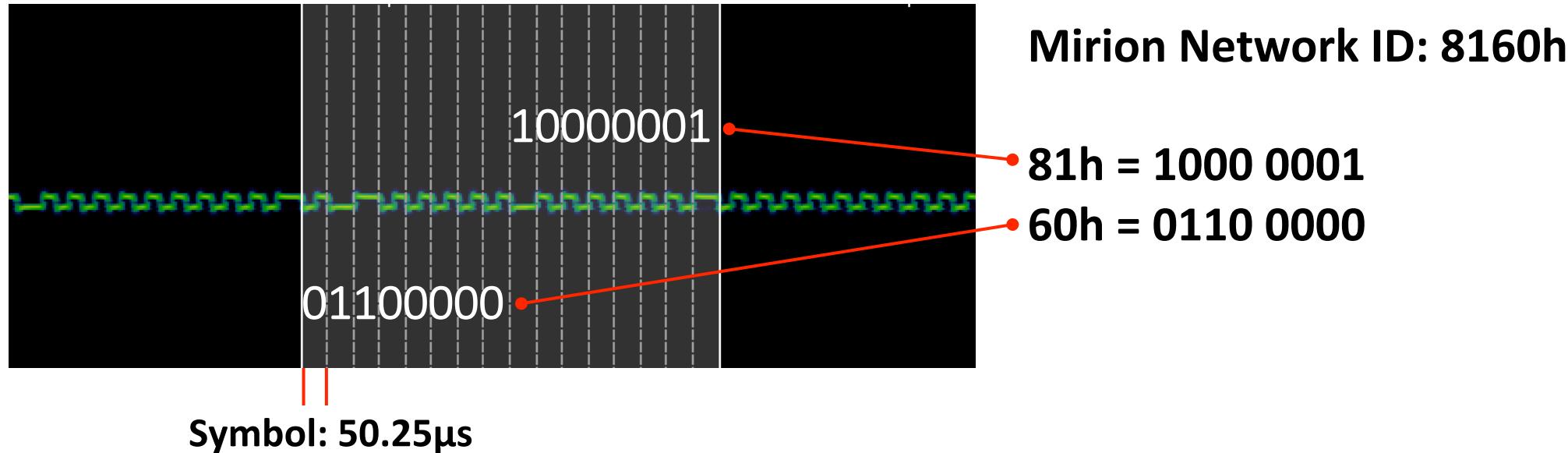


RF Packet

The RF packet is the sequence of data used for communicating information between Digi Radios. An RF Packet consists of an RF Initializer and RF Data.



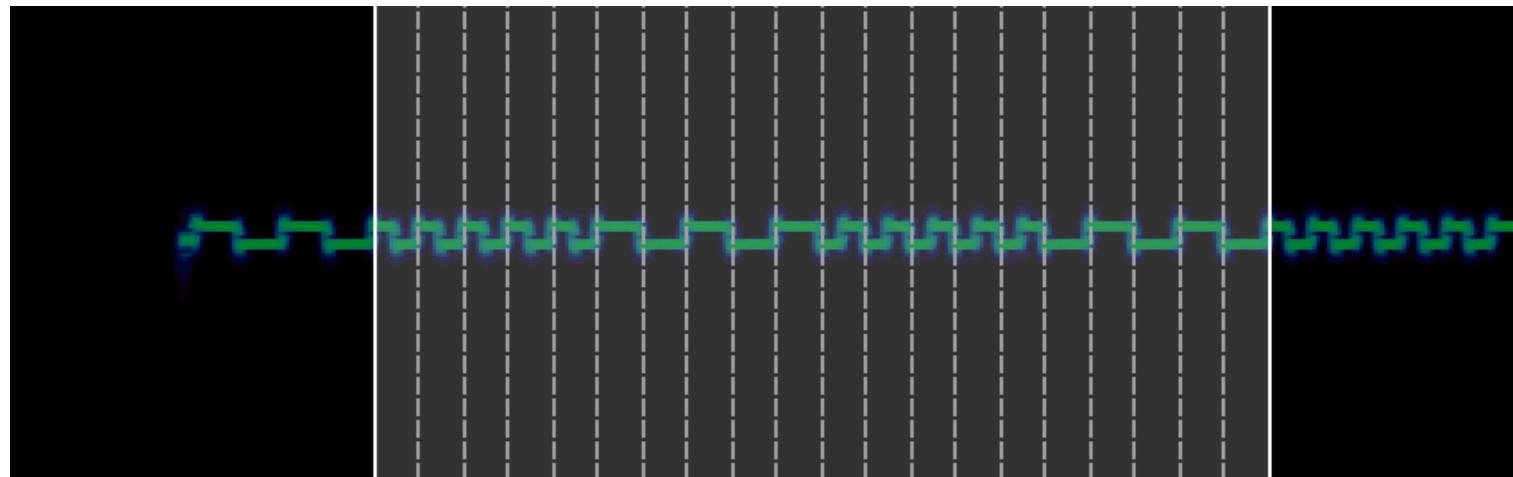
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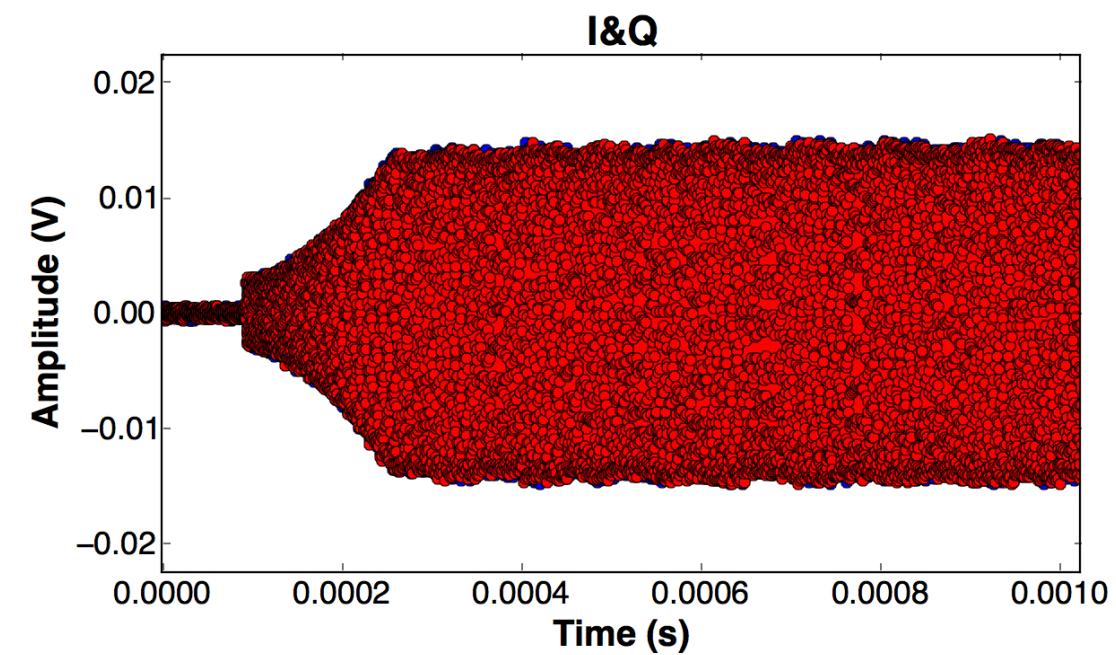
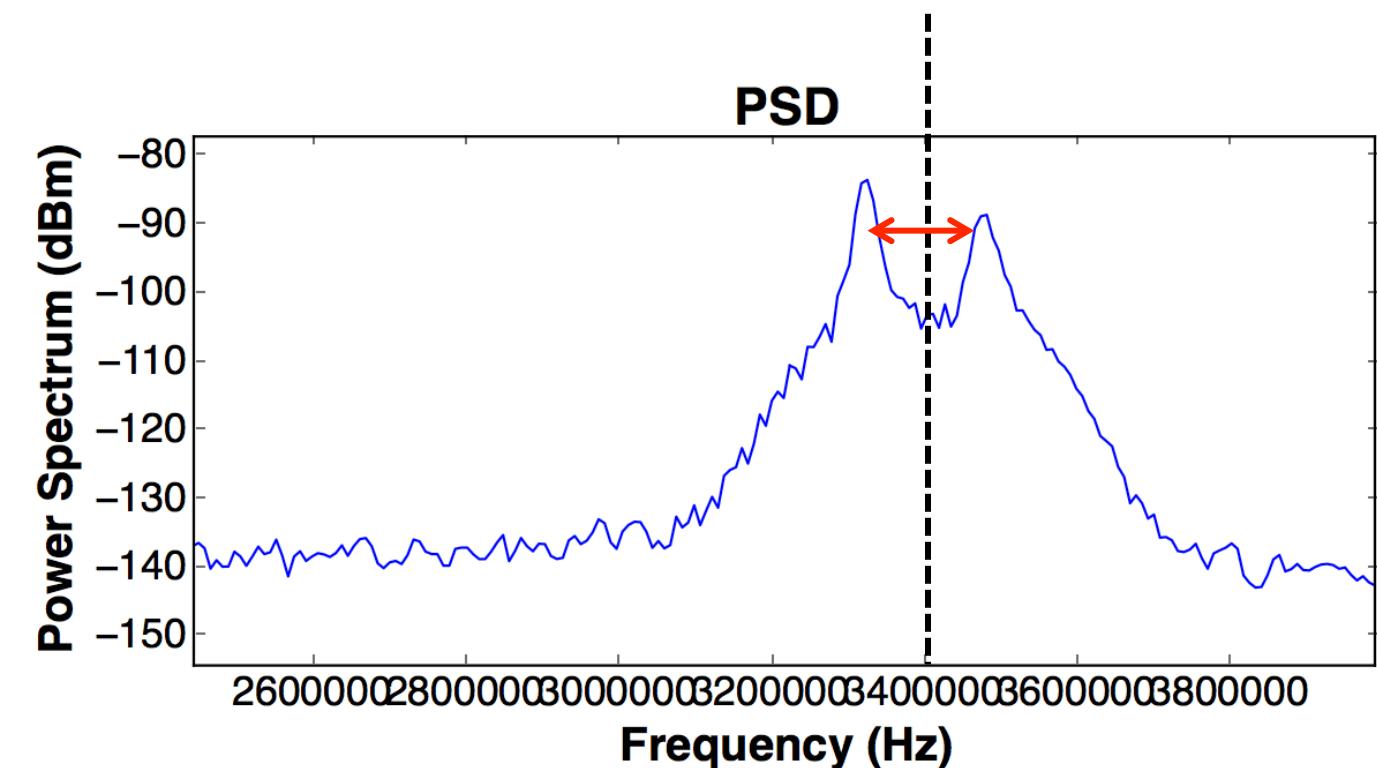
Biphase - Space

- The signal level changes at the start of every bit time.
- The signal level changes in the middle of a bit time if the bit is 0

Channels



- All channels have the same ‘preamble’
- Each channel has a different ‘Sync Word’



```
[+] 16000000 samples loaded

IOActive RF Utils - Plugin BlackHat'17 FHSS/2GFSK 0.1 -{Ruben Santamarta}-

Session -----
1. Sampling Rate: [ 8000000 Hz ]
2. Block Size: [ 4000 ]
3. Freq Resolution: [ 15625.000 Hz ]
4. Low Freq: [ 91000000.000 Hz ]
5. High Freq: [ 91800000.000 Hz ]

[+] Detecting burst
[*] Found potential signal => Block: 436000 Noise: 0.0001(v) Signal: 0.0125(v)

[+] Detecting Channels...
Channel [0] => Center Frequency: 915.0 Mhz    === Offset: [438592 -> 763383] Time: 0.054500(s) to 0.095000(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [1] => Center Frequency: 913.5 Mhz    === Offset: [1236042 -> 1560903] Time: 0.154500(s) to 0.195000(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [2] => Center Frequency: 917.4 Mhz    === Offset: [2048946 -> 2373617] Time: 0.256000(s) to 0.296500(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [3] => Center Frequency: 914.1 Mhz    === Offset: [2843379 -> 3171922] Time: 0.355000(s) to 0.396000(s) Span: 0.04100(s) ===
Channel [4] => Center Frequency: 912.6 Mhz    === Offset: [3650629 -> 3975441] Time: 0.456000(s) to 0.496500(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [5] => Center Frequency: 914.7 Mhz    === Offset: [4451519 -> 4776345] Time: 0.556000(s) to 0.597000(s) Span: 0.04100(s) ===
Channel [6] => Center Frequency: 912.9 Mhz    === Offset: [5259009 -> 5583879] Time: 0.657000(s) to 0.697500(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [7] => Center Frequency: 916.5 Mhz    === Offset: [6054847 -> 6379668] Time: 0.756500(s) to 0.797000(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [8] => Center Frequency: 910.5 Mhz    === Offset: [6860663 -> 7185581] Time: 0.857500(s) to 0.898000(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [9] => Center Frequency: 912.3 Mhz    === Offset: [7663576 -> 7988433] Time: 0.957500(s) to 0.998500(s) Span: 0.04100(s) ===
Channel [10] => Center Frequency: 914.4 Mhz   === Offset: [8464460 -> 8789235] Time: 1.058000(s) to 1.098500(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [11] => Center Frequency: 913.8 Mhz   === Offset: [9273564 -> 9598462] Time: 1.159000(s) to 1.199500(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [12] => Center Frequency: 916.7 Mhz   === Offset: [10071130 -> 10395934] Time: 1.258500(s) to 1.299000(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [13] => Center Frequency: 910.8 Mhz   === Offset: [10880439 -> 11205313] Time: 1.360000(s) to 1.400500(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [14] => Center Frequency: 917.7 Mhz   === Offset: [11678376 -> 12002881] Time: 1.459500(s) to 1.500000(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [15] => Center Frequency: 911.7 Mhz   === Offset: [12486012 -> 12810807] Time: 1.560500(s) to 1.601000(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [16] => Center Frequency: 911.1 Mhz   === Offset: [13285129 -> 13609978] Time: 1.660500(s) to 1.701000(s) Span: 0.04050(s) ===
Channel [17] => Center Frequency: 916.3 Mhz   === Offset: [14087701 -> 14412515] Time: 1.760500(s) to 1.801500(s) Span: 0.04100(s) ===
Channel [18] => Center Frequency: 911.4 Mhz   === Offset: [14891781 -> 15216722] Time: 1.861000(s) to 1.902000(s) Span: 0.04100(s) ===

[+] Done.
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- 1. Access to arbitrary Digi XSC Networks** ✓
- 2. XSC/WRM2 Analysis** ✓

ATTACK SCENARIOS

‘Radioactive Leak’ Attack

OSINT

Emergency Action Levels

Annex 1: Unit 1

V. C. Summer Nuclear Station

3.1 Emergency Action Level Matrix

ABNORMAL RAD RELEASE/RAD EFFLUENT EALs

Table 3-R-1: Recognition Category “R” Initiating Condition Matrix

GENERAL EMERGENCY	SITE AREA EMERGENCY	ALERT	UNUSUAL EVENT
RG1.1 Valid reading on any monitors that exceeds or is expected to exceed Table R-1 column “GE” for ≥ 15 min. <i>Op. Modes: All</i>	RS1.1 Valid reading on any radiation monitors that exceeds or is expected to exceed Table R-1 column “SAE” for ≥ 15 min. <i>Op. Modes: All</i> RS1.2 Dose assessment using actual meteorology indicates doses >100 mRem TEDE or 5,000 mRem thyroid CDE at or beyond the site boundary. <i>Op. Modes: All</i>	RA1.1 Valid reading on any Gaseous monitors $>$ Table R-1 column “Alert” for ≥ 15 min. (Note 2) <i>Op. Modes: All</i> RA1.2 Valid reading on Liquid monitor RM-L9 $>$ Table R-1 column “Alert” for ≥ 15 min. (Note 2) <i>Op. Modes: All</i>	RU1.1 Valid reading on any gaseous monitors $>$ Table R-1 column “UE” for ≥ 60 min. (Note 2) <i>Op. Modes: All</i> RU1.2 Valid reading on Liquid monitor RM-L9 $>$ Table R-1 column “UE” for ≥ 60 min. (Note 2) <i>Op. Modes: All</i>
RG1.2 Dose assessment using actual meteorology indicates doses $>1,000$ mRem TEDE or 5,000 mRem thyroid CDE at or beyond the site boundary.			

Virgil C. Summer Power Plant (US) Emergency Plan <https://www.nrc.gov/docs/ML1104/ML110410260.pdf>

[powernet] Question regarding number WRM Base Transceivers

Kinmark, Michael L. | Tue, 12 Apr 2016 12:54:53 -0700
#####

Question from Columbia regarding utilities using Mirion (MGPI) Wireless Remote Monitoring equipment.

- 1) What number of WRM2 Base Transceiver (WR2-9001) Units do you have deployed out in the plant (outage and non-outage - if different)?

- 2) How many WRM2 Base Transceiver units vs. WRM2 Repeater units?

We are currently evaluating our system needs and have 5 WRM2 Base Transceivers in service with 2 stand-alone units on mobile carts.

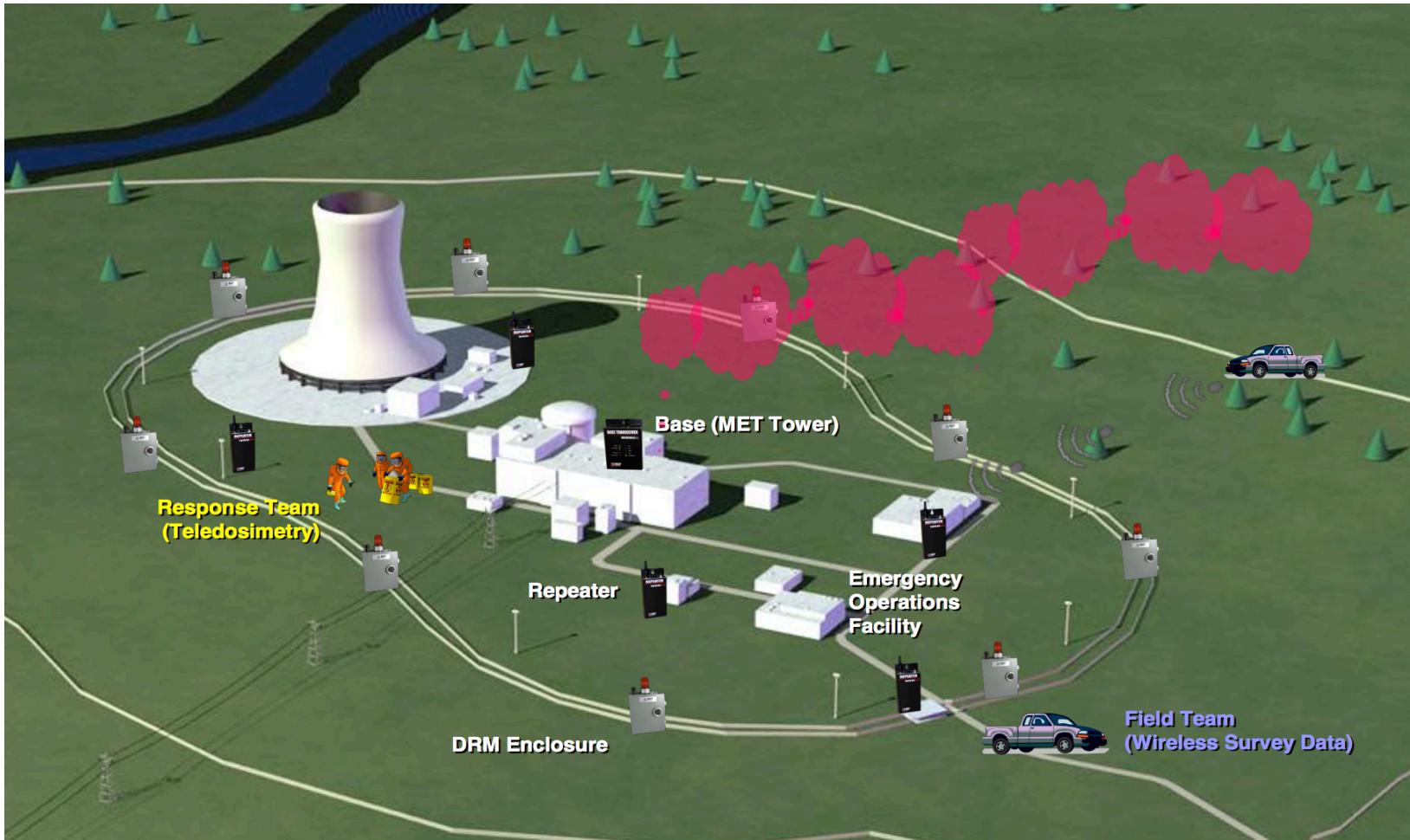
Thank you in advance.

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'Sabotaging Health Physics/Emergency Response Teams' Attack



- Failed Evacuation
- Concealed Persistent Attack

Responsible Disclosure

- ✗ Ludlum June, 2014
- ✗ Digi May, 2017
- ✗ Mirion May, 2017

Thank you!