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*Debug Communications Faster*<sup>SM</sup>

# THE RIGHT TOOLS AND SERVICES WILL HELP YOU BRING YOUR BLUETOOTH PRODUCTS TO MARKET FASTER

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# Frontline Tools and Services

- Air sniffer (Protocol Analyzers)
- Host Control Interface (HCI) (wired)
- Robustness testing (Black Box Testing, Fuzzing)
- Interoperability Testing (IOT)

# *Bluetooth* Wireless Technology



## *BPA 500™ Dual Mode Bluetooth Protocol Analyzer (Bluetooth v4.0 + HS)*

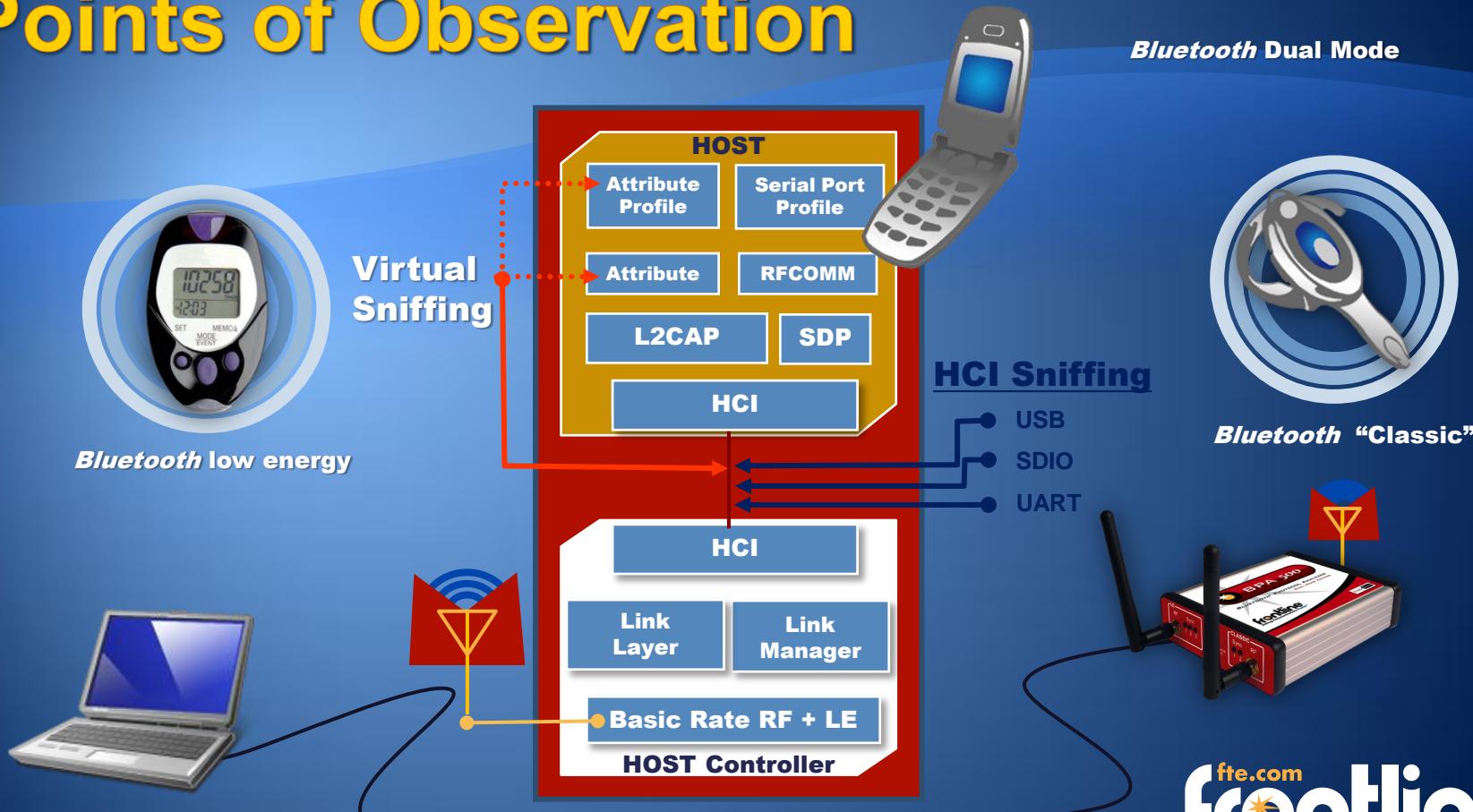
- “Classic” (BR/EDR)
- low energy
- 802.11 - High Speed (Option)

# Multiple Points of Observation

BPA 500 can sniff:

- Air Traffic
  - “Classic” (BR/EDR)
  - low energy
  - Dual mode – “classic” AND low energy
- HCI Traffic with BPA 500 add-ons
- Virtual Sniffing (software sniffing)
- BTsnoop (Free file format for logging data readable in Frontline viewers)

# Points of Observation



# Sniffs Air – Dual Mode

- Sniffs low energy and “Classic” *Bluetooth* devices

low energy *Bluetooth* device



Dual mode *Bluetooth* device



*Bluetooth* device

- Displays all packets into a single view

# NEW Data Capture Method!

- We have developed a brand new capture method for the BPA 500 that delivers **rock-solid data captures** with **less user interaction** than ever before...



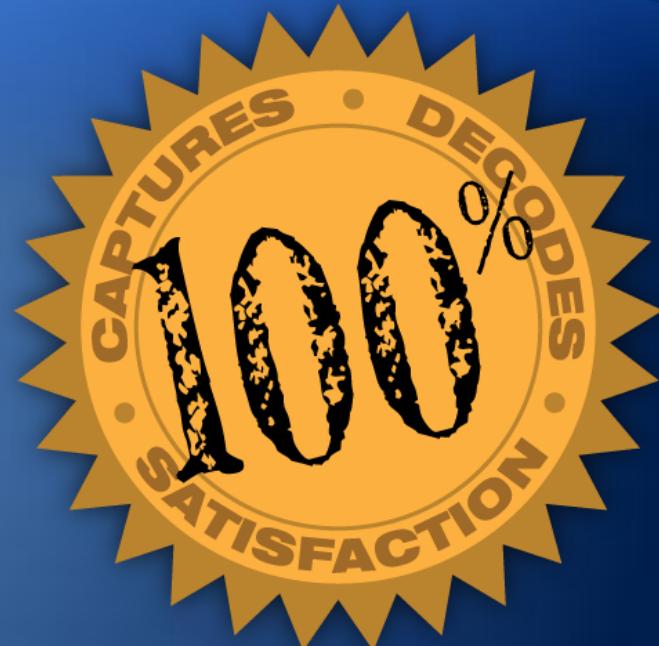
# Frontline's Guarantee

We're so confident about our new data capture method, we guarantee:

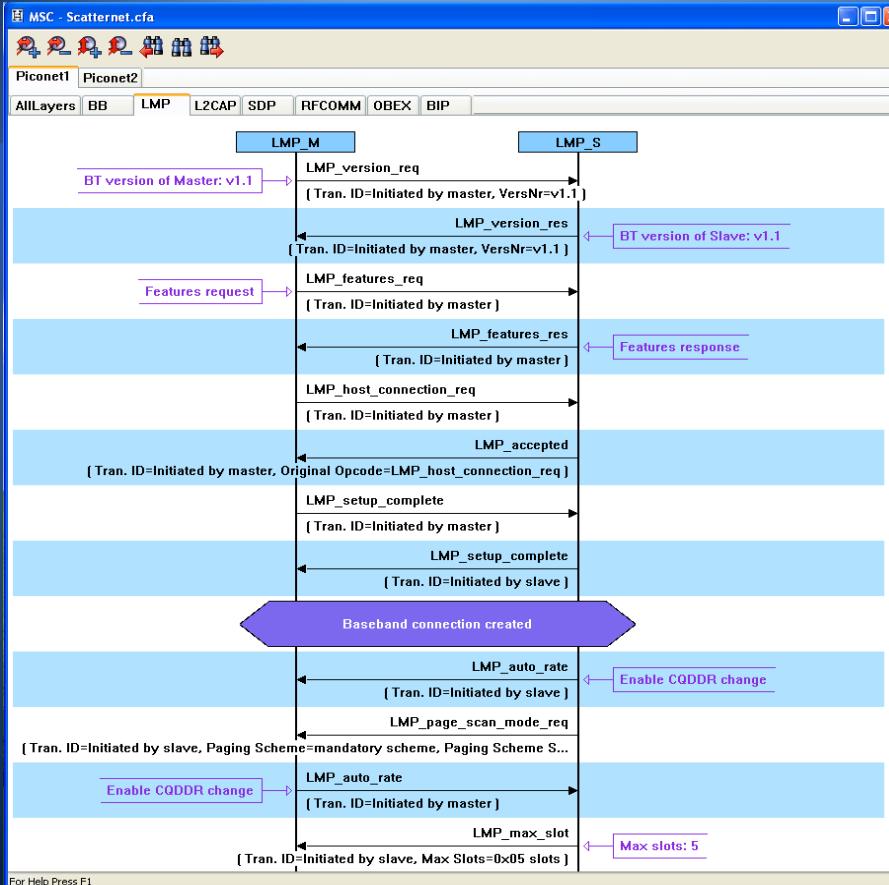
**100% Quality Data Captures**

**100% Data Decodes**

**100% Satisfaction Guaranteed**



# MSC – Message Sequencing Chart



- All in simple, easy-to-understand terms
- MCS makes it easy to see
  - Physical link activities
  - Logical links activities
  - Protocol level activities
  - Profile level activities

# BPA 500 Add-ons

## 802.11 ComProbe Add-on

802.11 ComProbe and antennas to monitor *Bluetooth* packets across a Wi-Fi transport

## USB ComProbe Add-on

USB HCI sniffer hardware using the USB ComProbe II

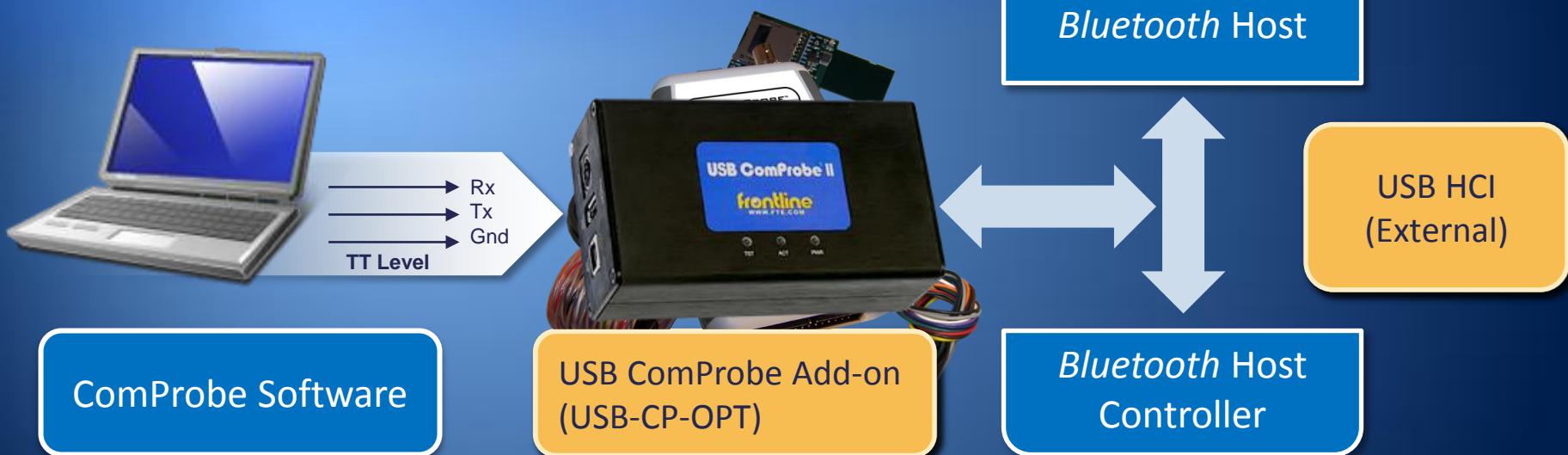
## SDIO ComProbe Add-on

SDIO sniffer hardware using the SDIO ComProbe

## High Speed UART Add-on

UART HCI sniffer hardware

# HCI Sniffing Add-ons Summary



# 802.11 Sniffing Add-on

- *Bluetooth* specification 3.0/4.0 +HS
- Combined *Bluetooth* and Wi-Fi throughput graph
- Numeric Data throughput readout for Average and Live (1 second window) payload
- Wi-Fi and *Bluetooth* channels identified on a single display
- Combined *Bluetooth* /Wi-Fi capture log
- Full, stand-alone Wi-Fi decoding and protocol analysis
- Detachable antenna to enable conductive capture of Wi-Fi data

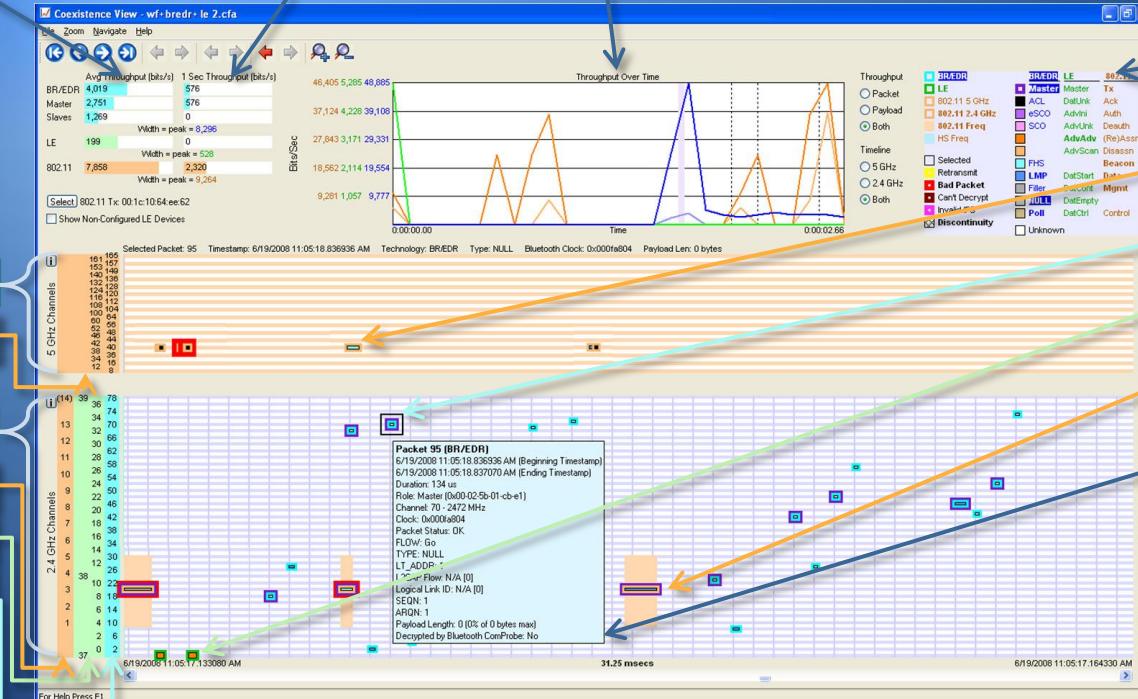
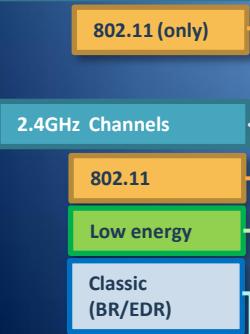


# Bluetooth Classic, 802.11, LE Coexistence Timeline

Average Throughput

One Second Throughput

Throughput Over Time



**Legend –**  
Highlighted (selected packet)  
**Bold** (At least one packet seen)

**802.11 Packet –  
5 GHz range**

**Classic Packet**

**Low energy Packet**

**802.11 Packet –  
2.4 GHz range**

**Tooltip – Detailed Information  
about packet on mouse over**

# Frontline Customers

CSR (Cambridge Silicon Radio)

Qualcomm

Broadcom

Motorola

Infineon

Intel

Texas Instruments

Siemens

Atheros

Marvell

Alps

MSI

Apple

ISSC

Sony

Sony Ericsson

Kyocera

VW

Ford

Audi

Microsoft

Panasonic

Hitachi

Symbol Technology

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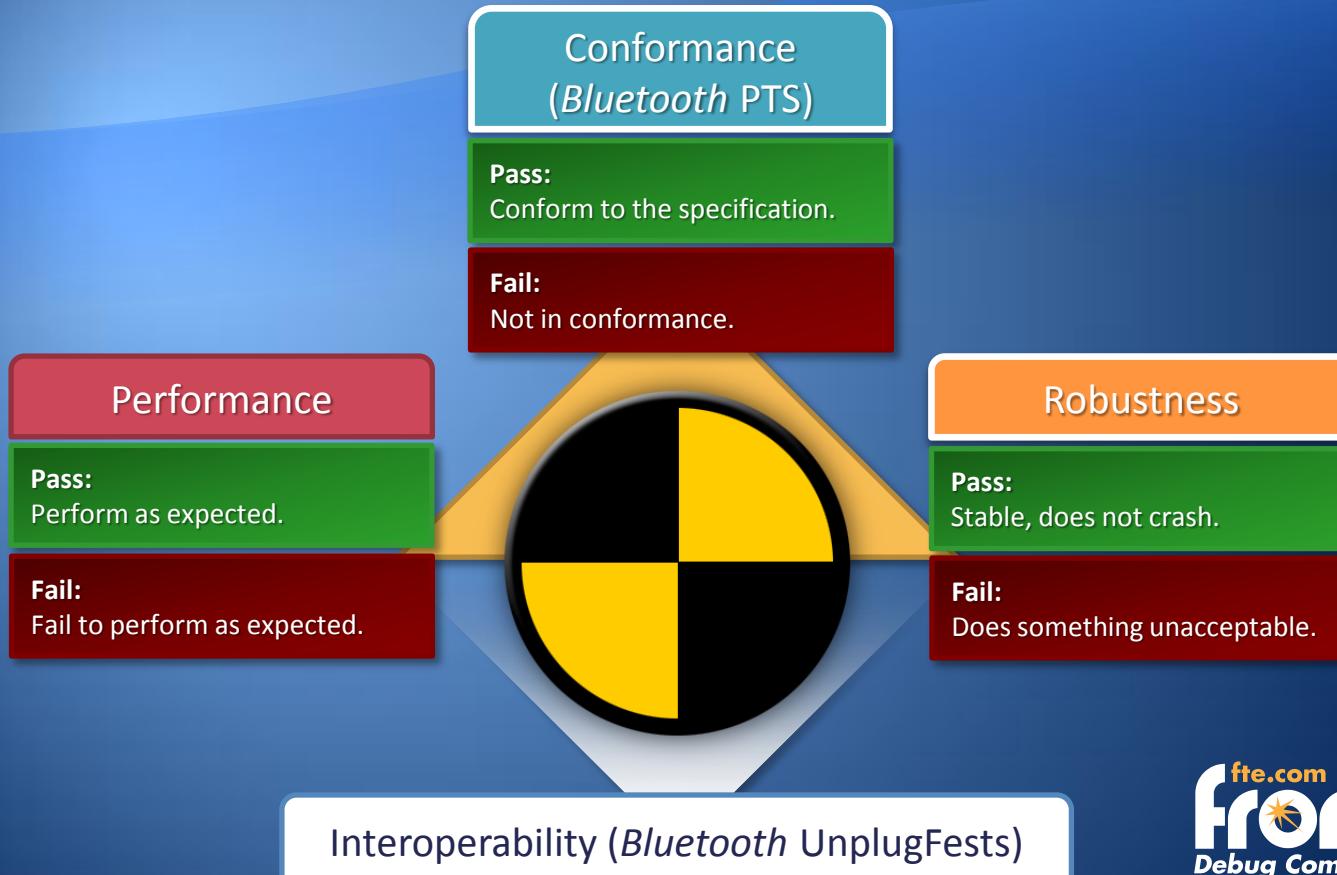
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# Bluetooth Robustness Tester

- Black box testing
- Fuzzing (crash testing)
- Test cases to highlight unusual behavior
- Test cases target profile and protocol levels
- Based on sending systematically broken (rarely random) inputs to a device in order to crash it



# Black Box Testing Categories



## EARLY RESULTS – UPF39

TEST RUNS AT UPF 39

30

TESTRUNS FAILED AT UPF39

21 (70%)

SCORING ANOMALY TYPES:

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--	--	FAX
1	1	FTP
--	--	HCRP
--	--	HDP
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# How does the tool work?

- The tool contains thousands of messages in the form of “Test Cases” (anomalies)
- Tests use standard interfaces
  - No source code is needed
  - Any standard-compliant implementation can be tested
- Negative testing – the test cases try to make the implementation stop responding / reset or exhibit other faults
  - Also called PROTOS / robustness / security / vulnerability / fuzz(ing) / rapid testing, etc.

# What really happens!

Bluetooth Robustness Tester



Valid Message

Reply – OK

Anomaly #1

Reply Ignored

Valid Message #1

Reply - OK?

Anomaly #2



Device Under Test

# What is my exposure?

- Product recalls are costly and cause lasting damage
- Proactive robustness schedules can reduce risk and exposure to security issues
- SW Security = SW Quality
  - Security problems are created during development
  - Testing prevents security problems in software
- 99.99% reliable = 100% vulnerable

# Bluetooth Interoperability

- 1000+ Devices
  - Biggest device library in industry
- Lots of OEMs, cars
- 10 years of *Bluetooth* experience, instantly in your QA team
- International supply of *Bluetooth* devices
  - China, Japan, Brazil, Europe and North American



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# Why use Frontline?



- **You need to know your device will work with other devices**

We have a comprehensive, current, and ever-expanding device library in-house. You can have confidence that your devices will work seamlessly with other key components in the ecosystem.

- **You need to know your devices will work in North America**

Our testing facility is located in Charlottesville, VA, where we test using North American mobile networks

- **You want to leverage Frontline as an extension of your QA department**

We have experience and expertise in-house and have pre-existing relationship with all of the key chip manufacturers, phone companies and peripherals companies. If there is a problem, we'll help you solve it.

# Why use Frontline?



- **You want to improve your “out-of-the-box” experience**

We use pre-defined and customized test plans that will thoroughly test your devices so you can be sure they will work for your customers the first time and every time.

- **You need to test your products in automotive environments**

Frontline is building a comprehensive library of *Bluetooth* car kits used in mass production vehicles. When we can't get the car kit, we buy the car!

- **You want to reduce the costs incurred by testing**

No more sending your employees around the world to test specific networks or devices. We've got everything you need right here in our labs!

# Frontline Test Equipment

- 25 years of protocol analysis expertise
- 84 of the Fortune 100 companies use our protocol analyzers
- Involved with *Bluetooth* wireless technology initiatives from the beginning (~10 years)
- Work closely with the *Bluetooth* SIG – specifications, working groups, technology committees
- Frontline products support every *Bluetooth* specification, profile, and protocol



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