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- VM with all tools and libraries for the hands-on parts
- VirtualBox installer
- VirtualBox guest-addition

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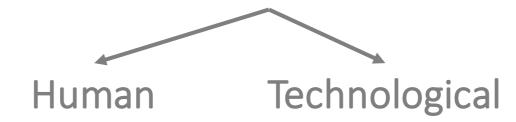
Module 1 | introduction



Access Control system?

A system composed by several elements which aim is to limit the access to certain resources only to authorized people.

The system is composed by two type of elements:





What was an Access Control system?

The technological elements





What was an Access Control system?

The **human** elements...





What was an Access Control system?

...often fail





First access control hackers?

Magicians..





First access control hackers?

Social Engineers





What is an Access Control system?





What is an Electronic Access Control system? | |

- It may employ different technologies
 - NFC
 - RF
 - Biometrics
 - Mag-stripe
 - Mobile phones
 - etc.



Module 2 | attacking NFC



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- NFC stands for Near Field Communication
- Frequency at 13.56 MHz
- 3-5 cm of range
- Widely used for
 - Access control systems
 - Electronic ticketing systems
 - Mobile phone applications



Notorious NFC families | |

- MIFARE
 - MIFARE Classic
 - MIFARE Ultralight
 - MIFARE DesFire
- HID iClass
- Calypso
- FeliCa



MIFARE Classic | |

- 1-4 KB memory storage device
- Strong access control mechanisms
 - A key is required to access data sectors
 - Use of Crypto1 Crapto1 algorithm
 - Sadly broken..
 - ..but still so widely used (!) RFID door tokens, transport tickets, etc.



MIFARE Ultralight | |

- 64 byte memory storage device
- Basic security mechanisms
 - OTP (One-Time-Programmable) sector
 - Lock bytes sector
 - Mostly used for disposable tickets
 - It has some more secure children:
 - ULTRALIGHT C
 - ULTRALIGHT EV



- 2 KB, 4KB or 8 KB memory size
- Advanced security mechanisms (3DES, AES, etc.)
- File system structure is supported
- Several variants are available
 - DESFIRE
 - DESFIRE EV1
 - DESFIRE EV2



- Same encryption and authentication keys are shared across every HID iClass Standard Security installations (!)
- Keys have already been extracted (!!)
- Two variants
 - iClass Standard (very common)
 - iClass High Secure (not that common)
- Both variants are BROKEN

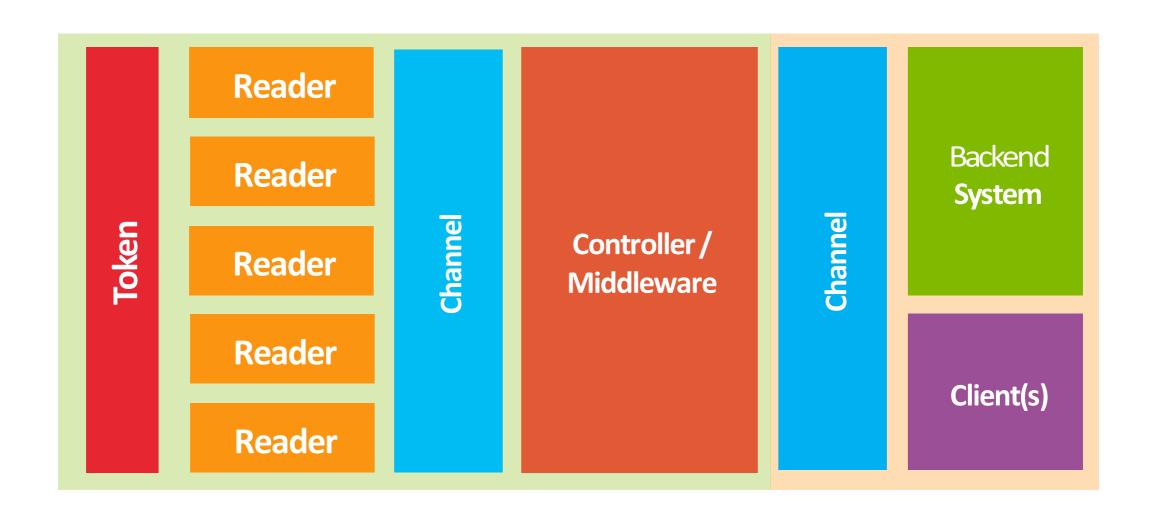


NFC-based Electronic Access Control systems | |

- We need to create a common methodology
- We need tools to effectively assess these systems
- We need secure architectures as references and best practices



NFC-based Electronic Access Control systems | |





The token | |

- Usually a NFC card
 - MIFARE Ultralight
 - MIFARE Classic
 - HID
- The card can store
 - Timestamp of the last stamping
 - Details on the location where we used the token
 - Credentials, access level, etc.





- What about MIFACE Classic?
 - It is just BROKEN
- What about MIFARE Ultralight?
 - Well, it's bleeding..
 - Lock attack
 - Time attack
 - Reply attack...
- HID
 - BROKEN, again





- Can operate offline or online
- Wire or wireless connected to the controller
 - RS232, Ethernet, etc.
- Usually supports multiple standards
- Can store secrets and keys used for authentication
- Usually it can
 - Read token(s) data
 - Send token data to the controller
 - Give a feedback to users on operation's success





Controller | |

- Connected both to readers and backend
 - Wiegand, Ethernet, rs232
- Receives data from the reader(s)
 - Support multiple readers technologies
- Sends the data to the backend
 - Open the door
 - Deny the access





The backend | |

- It can be cloud-based or not
- Usually wired connected
 - RS232, Ethernet, etc.
- Performs multiple operations
 - Provide token validation "logic"
 - Statistics
 - Logging





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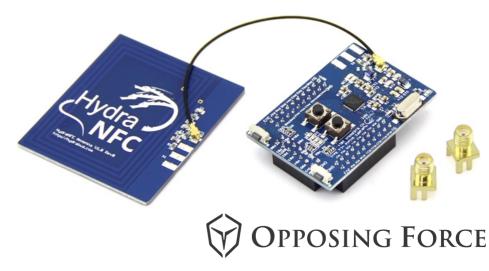
Tools of the trade | |

- HydraNFC
- ProxMark3
- ChameleonMini
- NFCulT



HydraNFC | |

- HydraNFC (~90 €)
 - http://hydrabus.com/hydranfc-1-0-specifications/
- Users Texas Instrument TRF7970A NFC chipset (13.56MHz only)
- MIFARE 1k and 14443A UID emulation
- ISO 14443A sniffing (also autonomous mode)
- 2 different raw modes



- ProxMark3 (~200 €)
- HF and LF capabilities
- Very large community
 - http://proxmark.org/forum/index.php
- Supports almost every known RFID tags
- Support sniffing and emulation





ChameleonMini | |

- ChameleonMini (~100 €)
 - http://kasper-oswald.de/gb/chameleonmini/
- HF (13.56MHz) only
- Almost same capabilities as HydraNFC
- Different chipset
- The firmware is only available for old revision





Opposing Force own weapon | |

- NFCulT (~0 €)
- Originally designed for ticketing systems, it can be also used for generic EAC system security assessment
- Mobile app for NFC-enabled Android smartphones
 - Implements Lock, Time and Reply attacks
- A "custom edit mode" is available for bit by bit data editing
- The app currently supports the MIFARE Ultralight format only
 - MIFARE Classic support will be released on summer 2016



The custom editing feature | |

- The features is useful to better understand the structure of data stored onto the token
- Quick encoding from hex to bin and back
- The app allows token bit by bit data editing

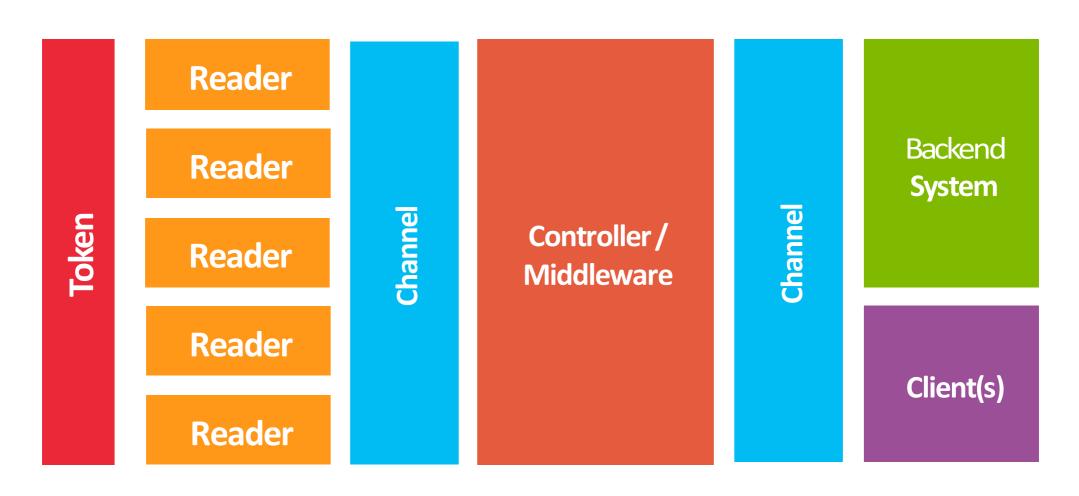




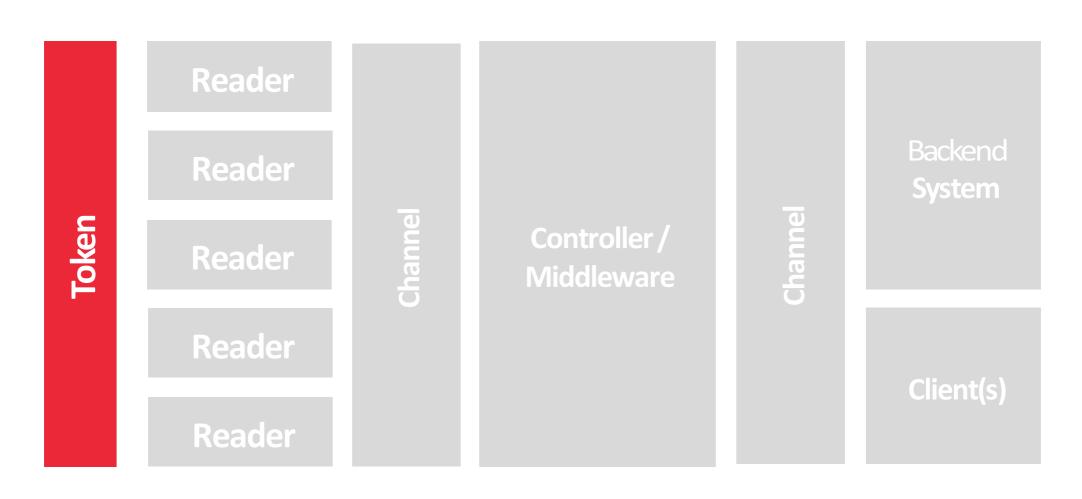
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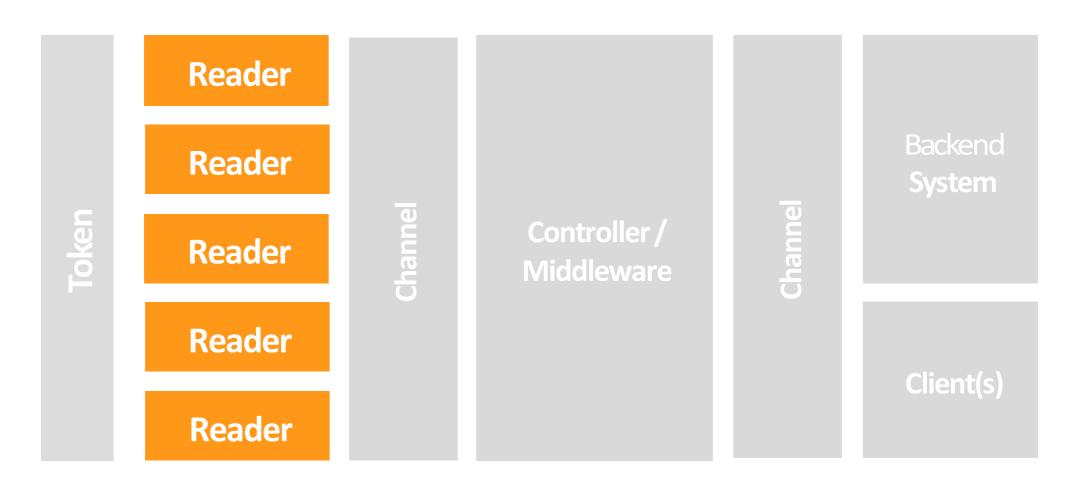






Attack Surface	Attacks to Perform	Impact
NFC Interface	Analyze the authentication mechanisms	Secrets extraction, MiTM attacks
Hardware board	Side channel attacks	Secrets dumping or guessing
Memory	Assess logic vulnerabilities in the implementation	Bypass security mechanisms

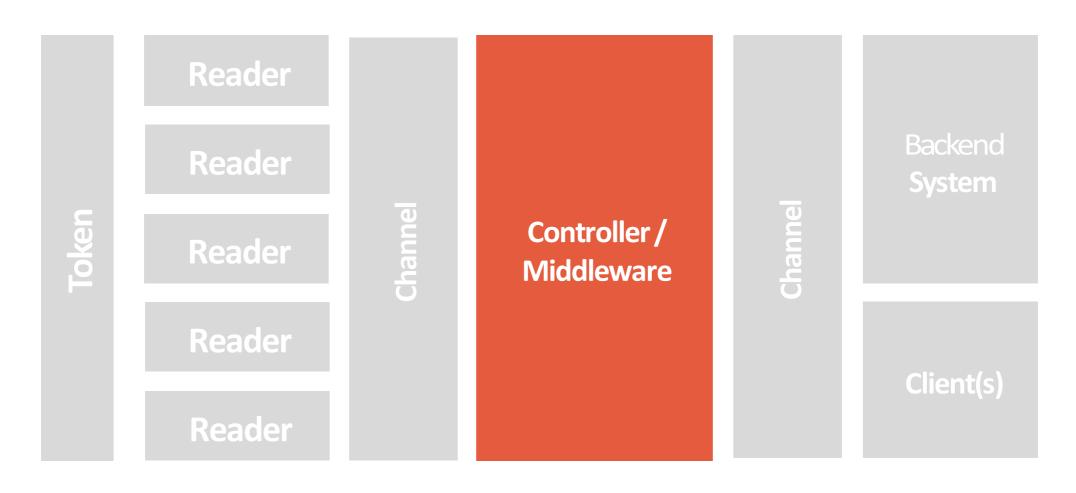






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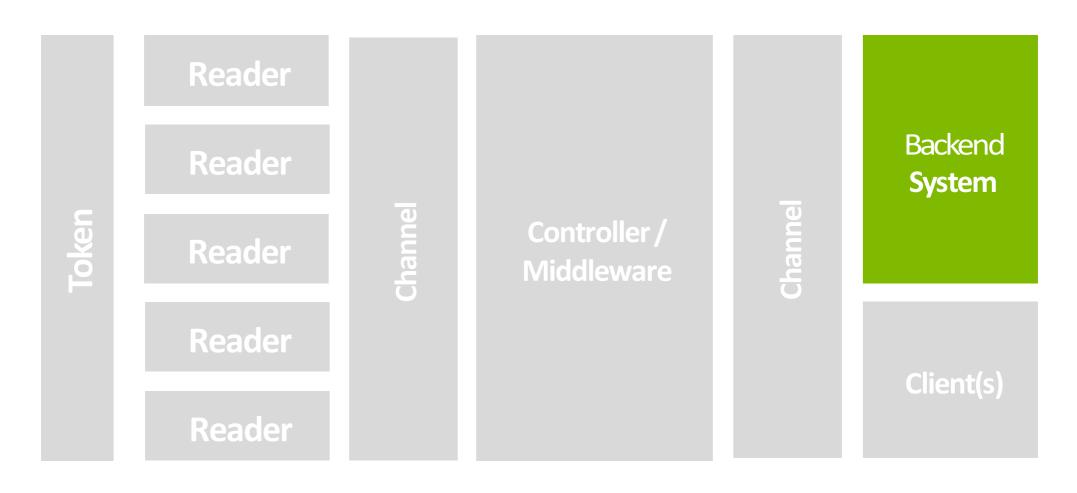






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Eth, serial Interfaces, etc.	Is MITM possible? Intercepting the data	Intercepting secrets or sensitive data
Computer Application	Analyzing exposed network services	Complete control of the machine (e.g., add new users)

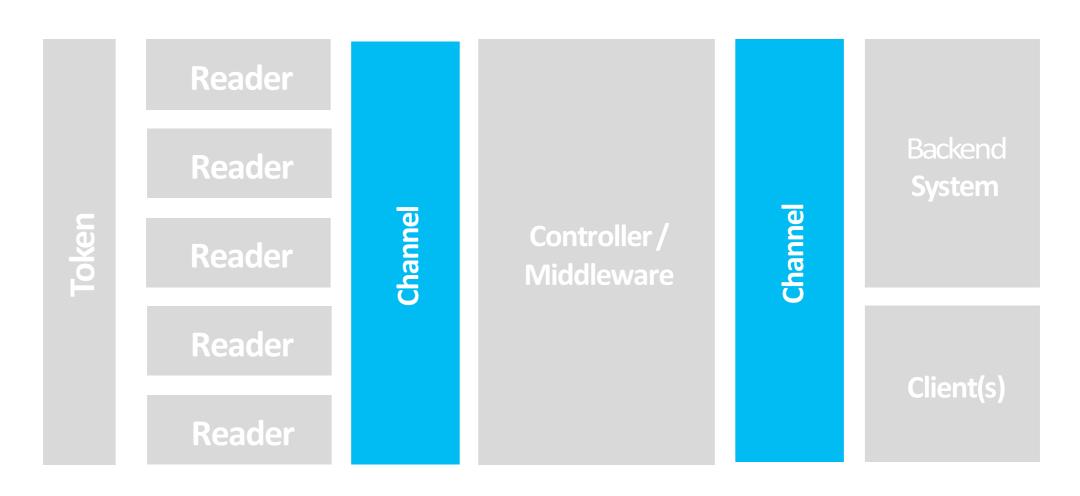






Attack Surface	Attacks to Perform	Impact	
Web application(s)	Classic web app-related attacks	Data exfiltration, service interruption, etc.	
Network service(s)	Classic network services-related attacks	Data exfiltration, service interruption, etc.	
Physical location	Try to get physical access to the servers	Basically, heavily PWNED	







Attack Surface	Attacks to Perform	Impact	
Hardware board	Identify forgotten or backdoor pins	Data exfiltration, firmware dumping	
External wires	Try to intercept data passing through those wires	Intercepting sensitive information	
Wireless connection	Intercept and inject data	Intercepting sensitive information, send spoofed information	



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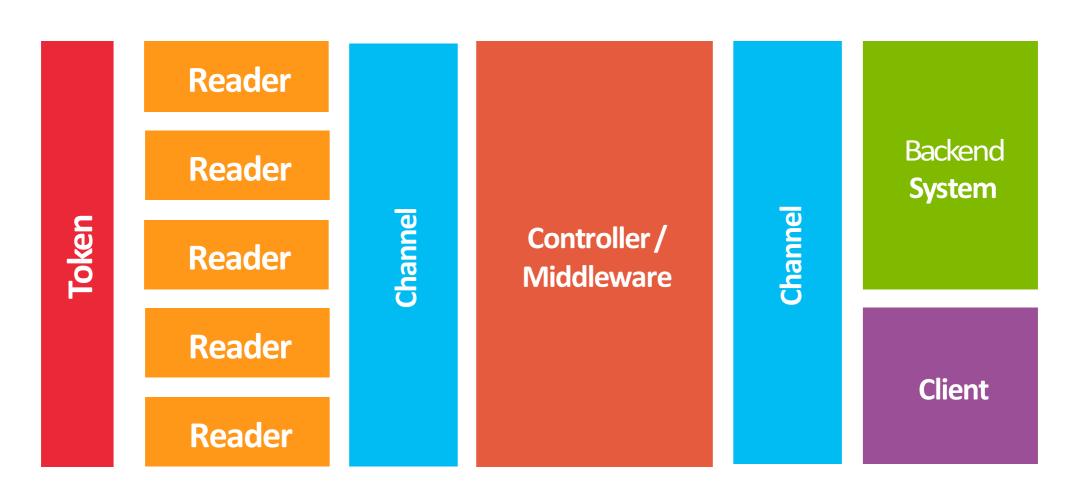


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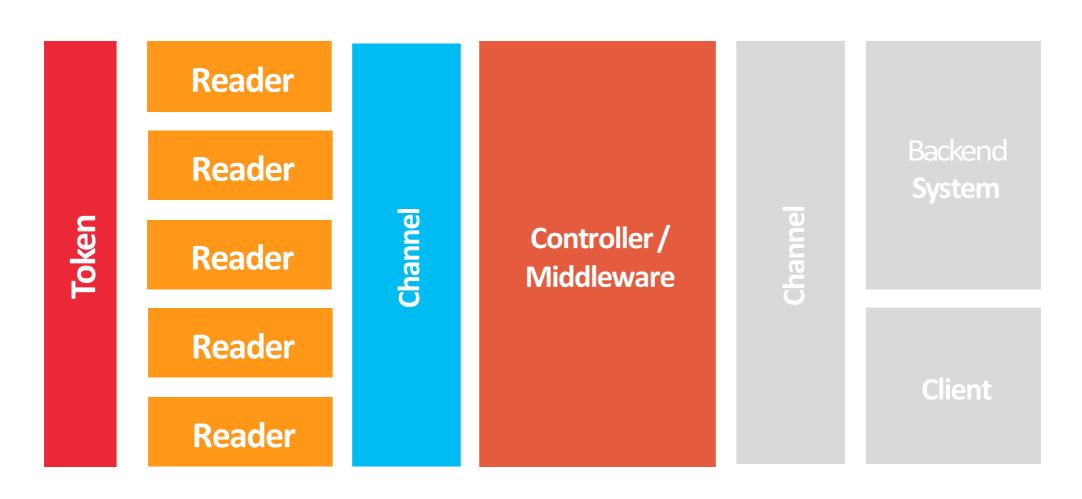


MIFARE Ultralight ticketing system ||



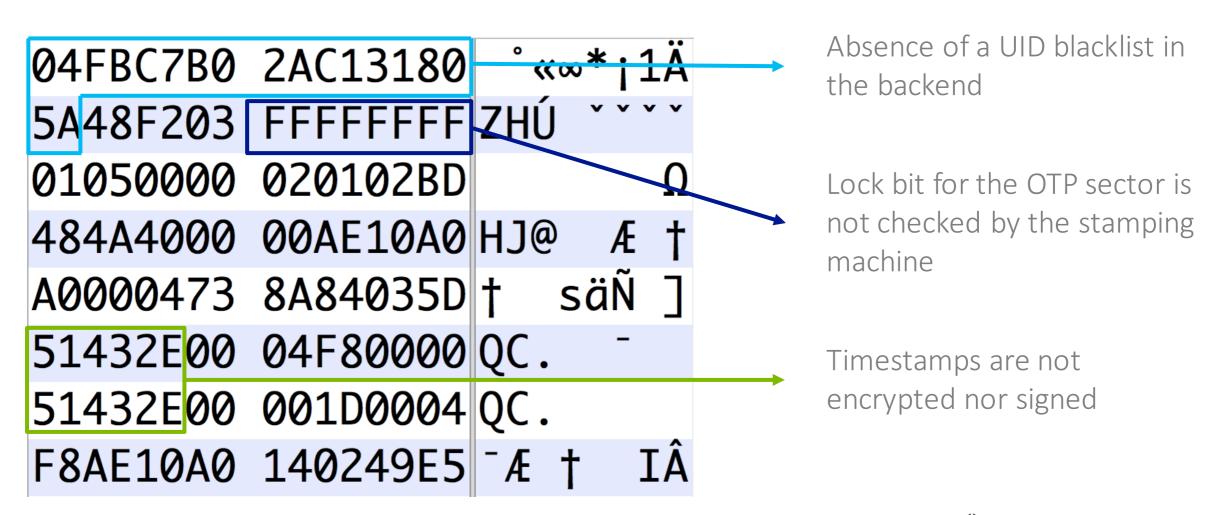


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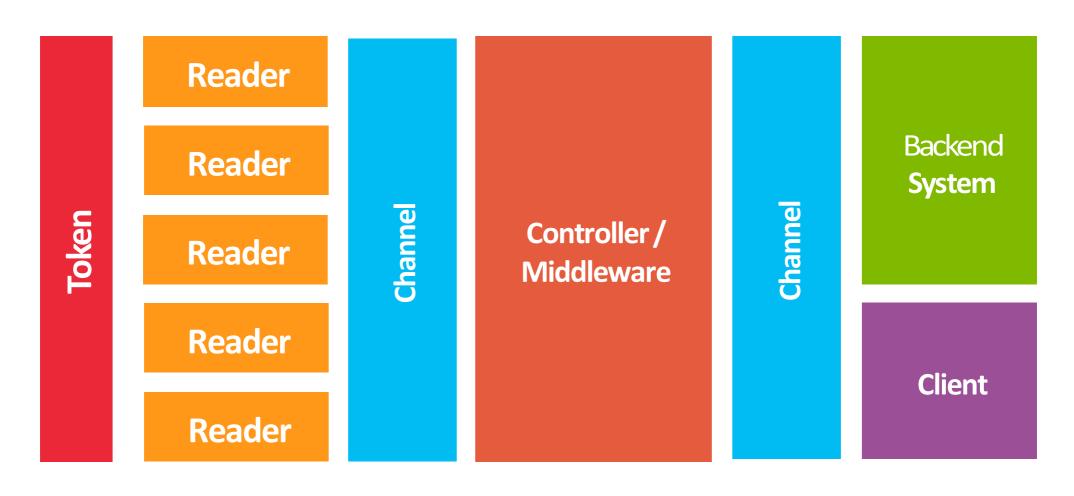


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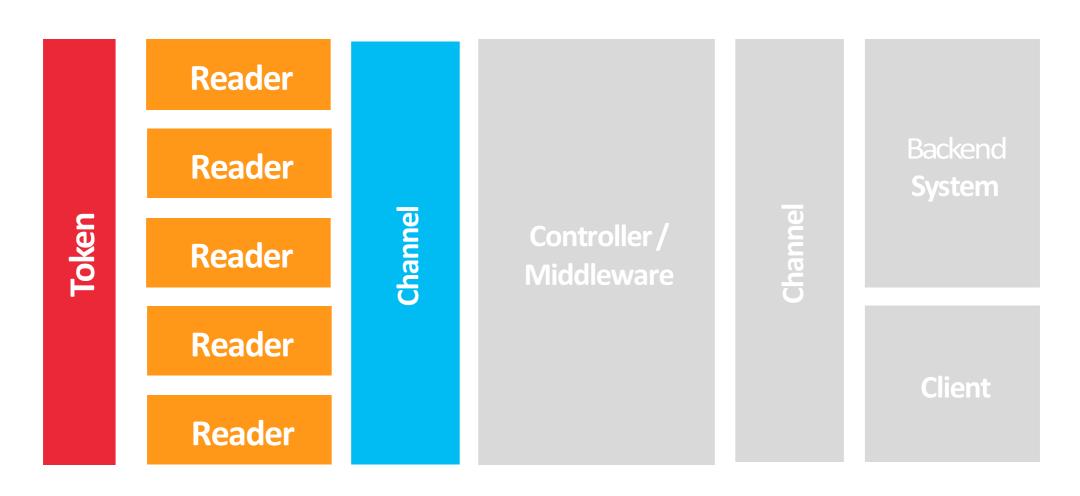


MIFARE Classic hotel door lock | |



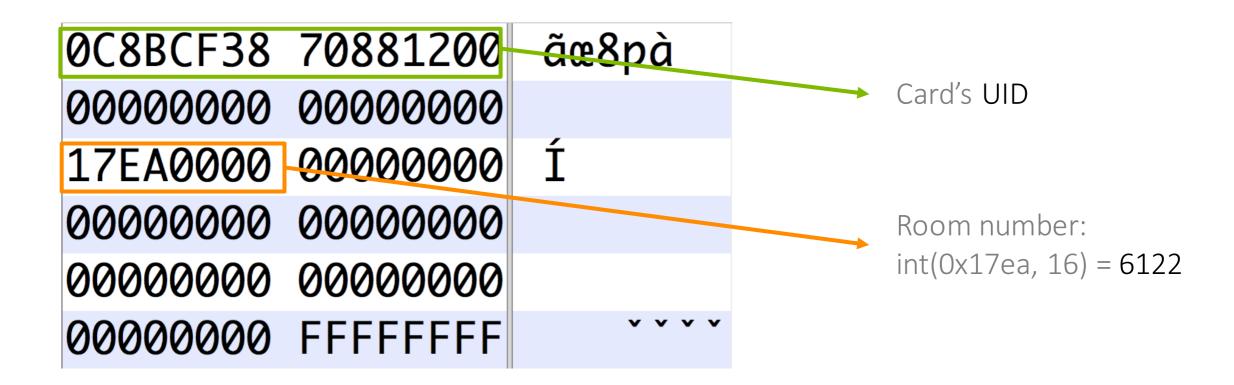


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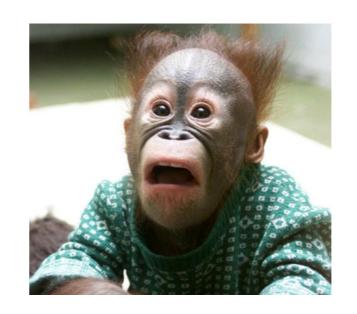


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- Radio Frequency identification is widely used to control physical accesses
- Advantages
 - Automatic identification
 - High reliability
 - High security



- Different technologies based on operating frequency band
 - Low Frequency (LF) 125 KHz
 - High Frequency (HF) 13.56 MHz
 - Ultra High Frequency (UHF) 433 MHz, 860-960 MHz and
 2.4 GHz



Low Frequency band

- Tags
- Access control token





High Frequency band

- Door locks
- Ticketing systems







Ultra High Frequency band

- Automated Gates
- Keyless Entry Systems
- Alarms
- Smart Locks











- Common technologies and protocols
 - Fixed and rolling code
 - NFC
 - Bluetooth
 - ZigBee
 - Z-Wave



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- How to explore wireless communications?
 - Software Defined Radio (SDR) devices with GNU Radio
- Software implementation of most parts of a radio system
 - Cheap hardware
 - High flexible

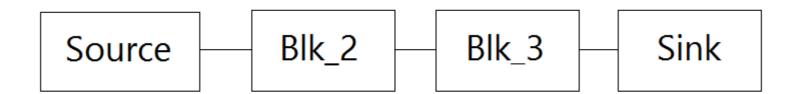


Three SDR-compatible devices

Device	Frequency Range	Bandwidth	Price
RTL-SDR Dongle	24 MHz – 1.76 GHz	2.4 MHz	~ 20 €
HackRF	1 MHz – 6 GHz	20 MHz	~ 300 €
USRP B200	70 MHz – 6 GHz	56 MHz	~ 700 €



- GNU Radio
 - Platform to develop radio applications, called flowgraphs
 - Series of connected signal processing blocks
 - GNU Radio libraries include blocks to perform signal processing

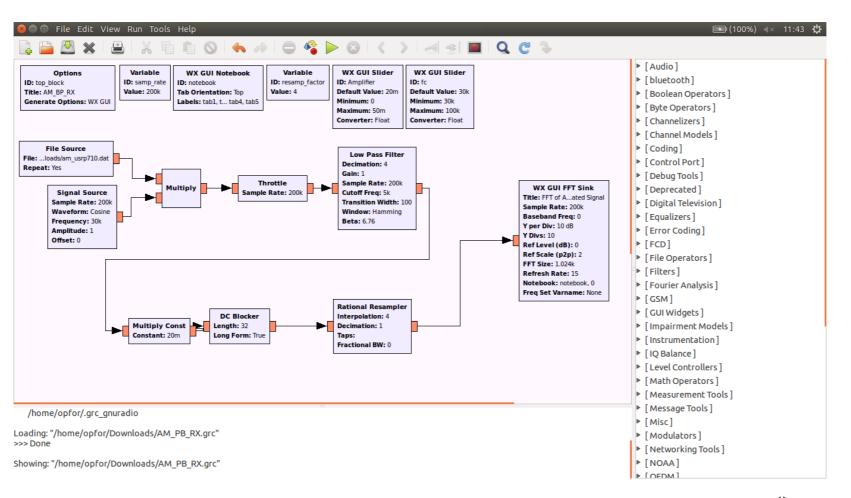




- GNU Radio
 - Supports the programming of custom C++ blocks
 - GNU Radio Companion (GRC)
 - Graphical UI to program GNU Radio applications
 - Supports the creation of UI for applications

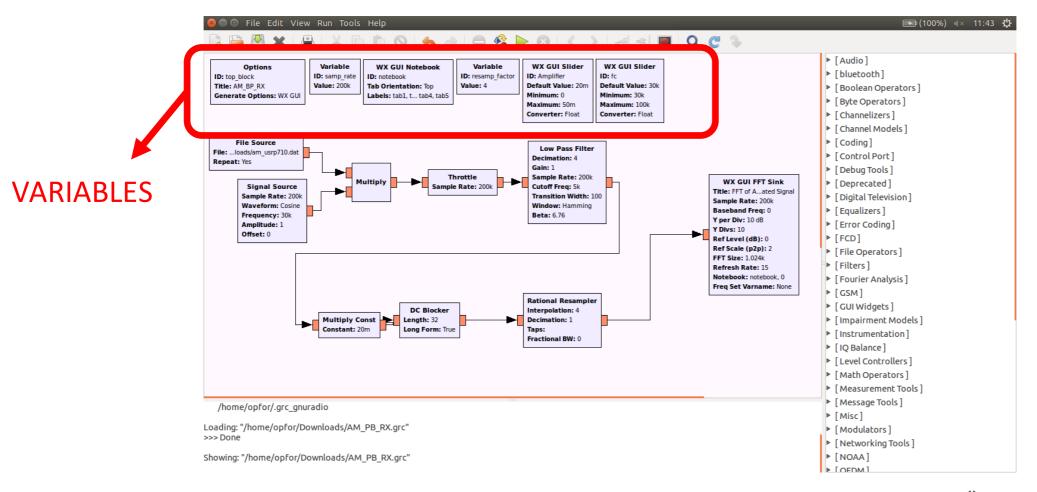


GRC Interface



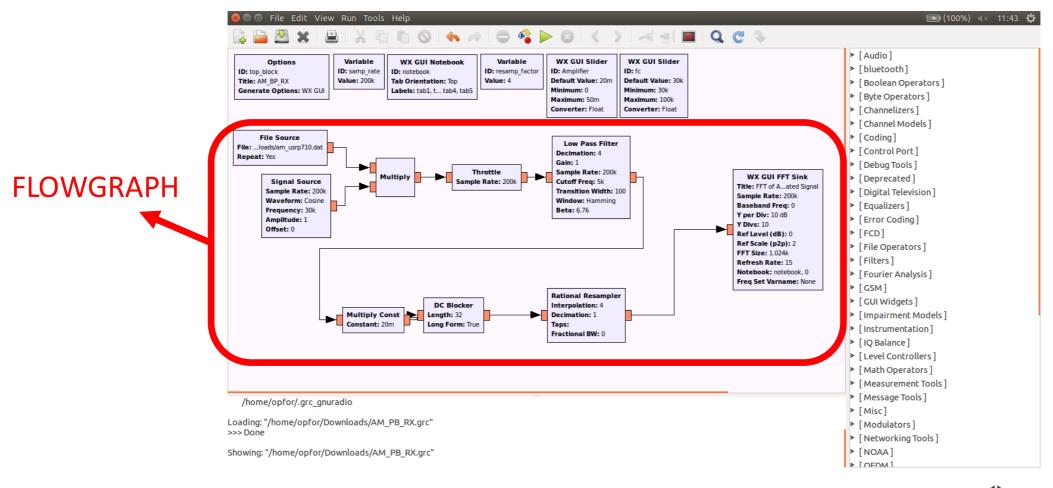


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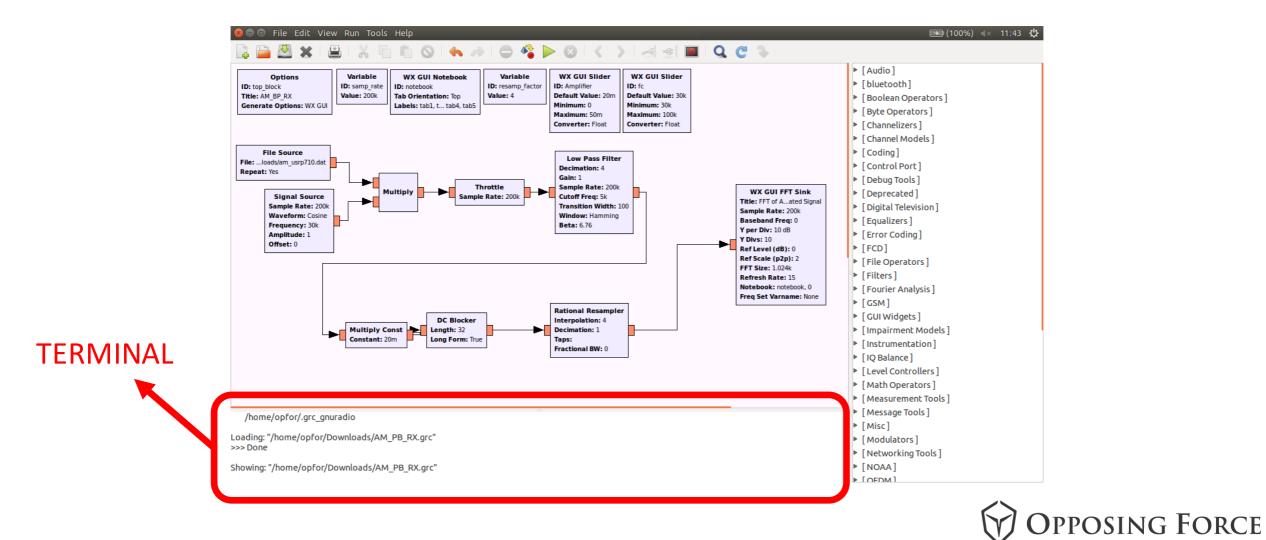


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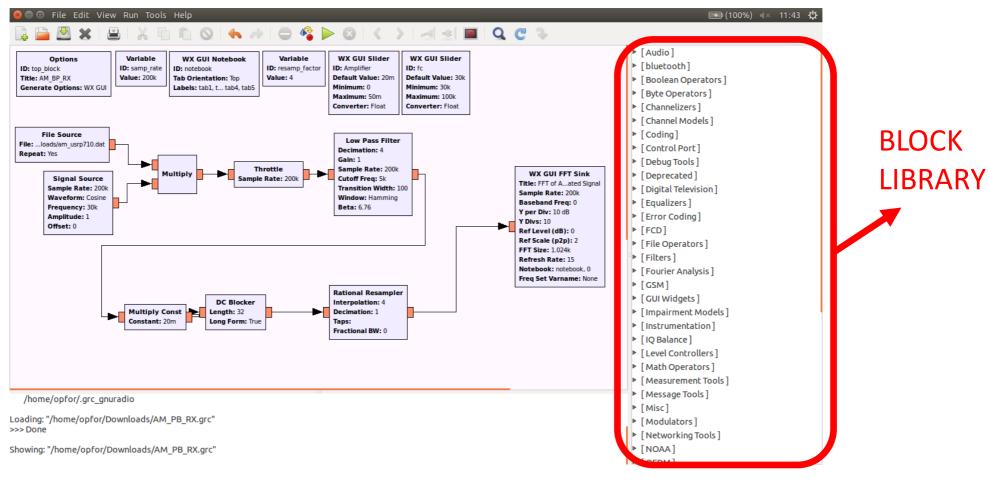




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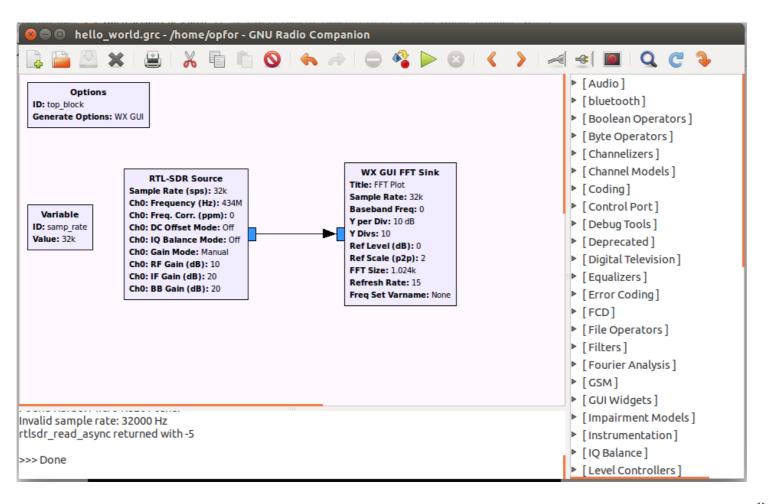


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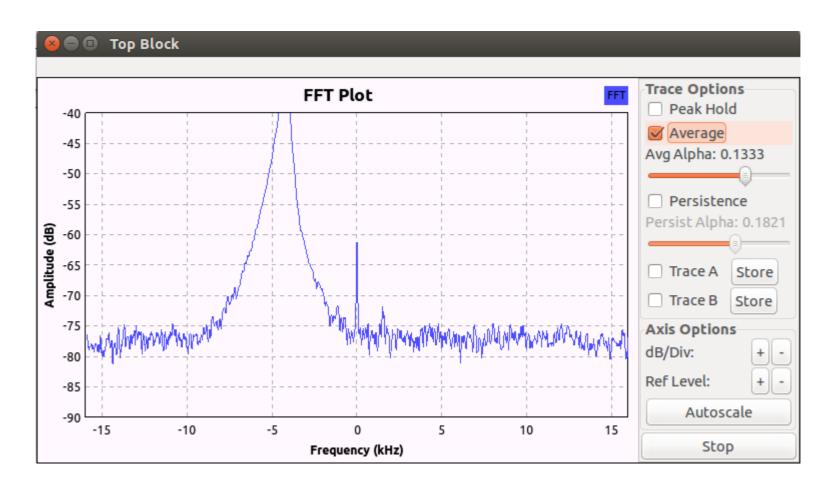


"Hello World" in GNU Radio



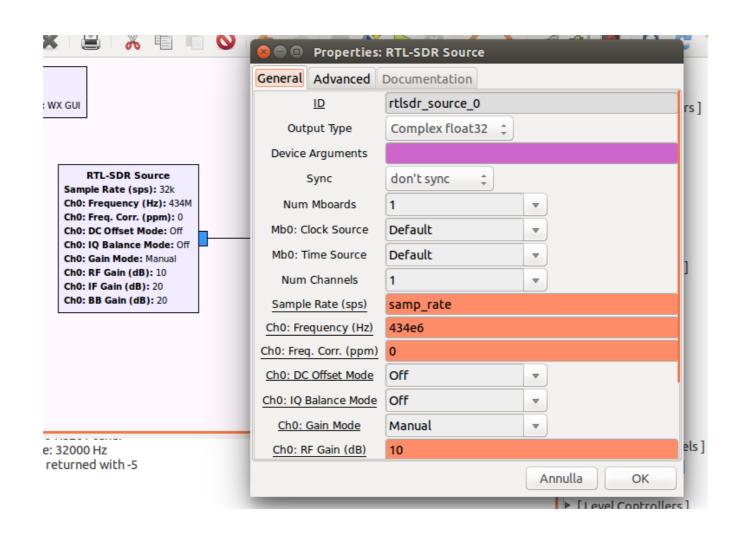


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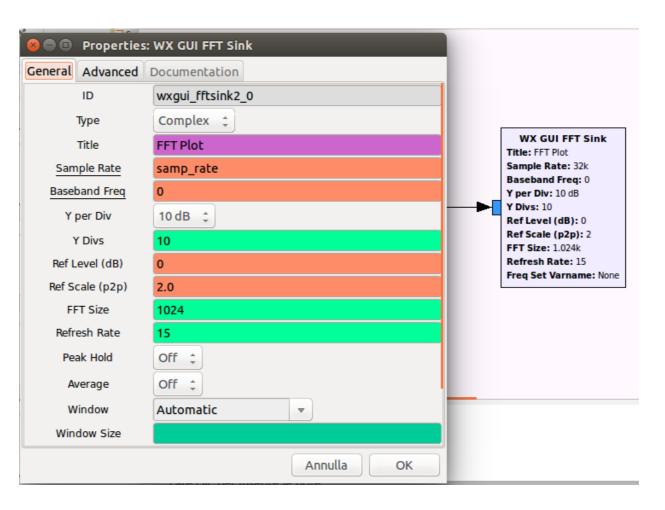


RTL-SDR Source Block





WX GUI FFT Sink Block





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Build a FM receiver

Fire up your





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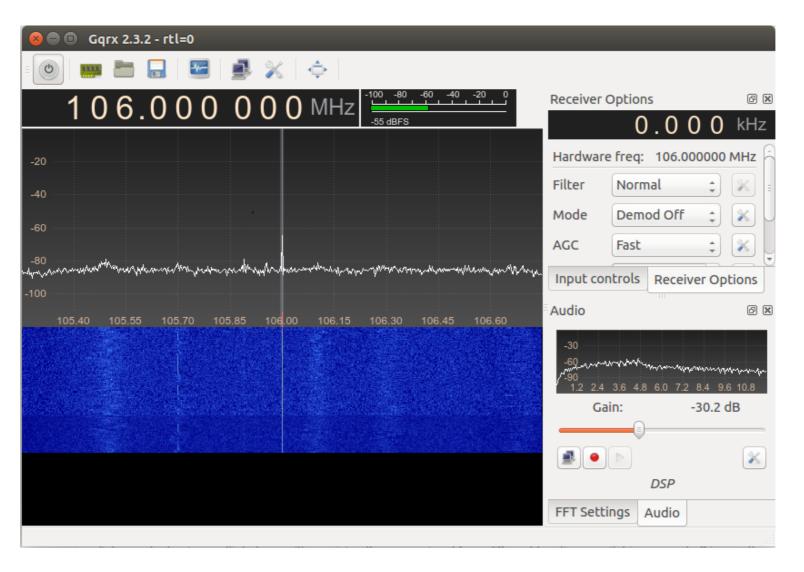




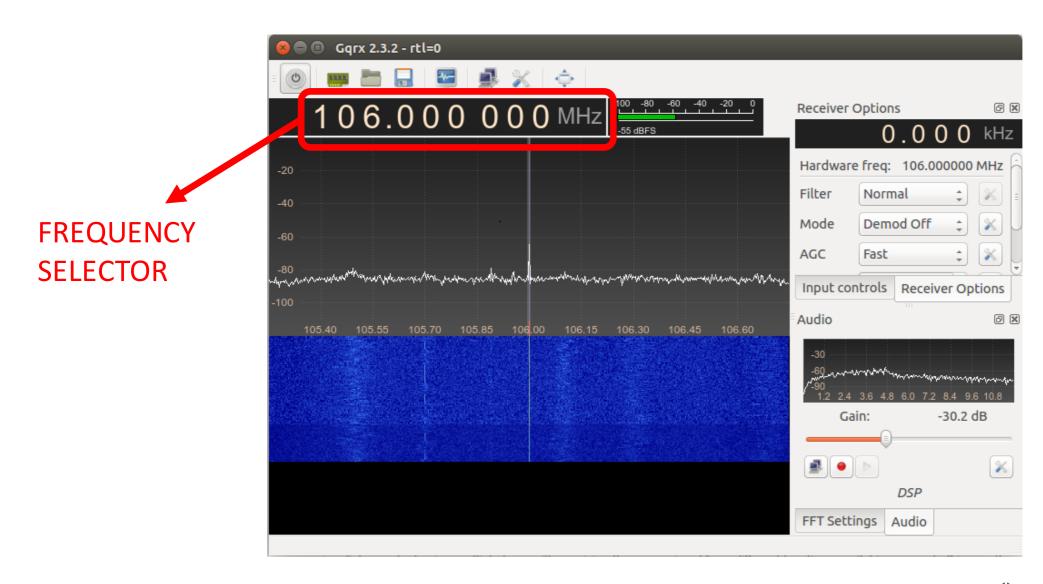
GQRX

- SDR receiver and spectrum analyzer based on GNU Radio and QT Graphical toolkit
- User-friendly interface
- Supports RTL-SDR, HackRF, USRP and other SDR devices
- Records signal to WAV file

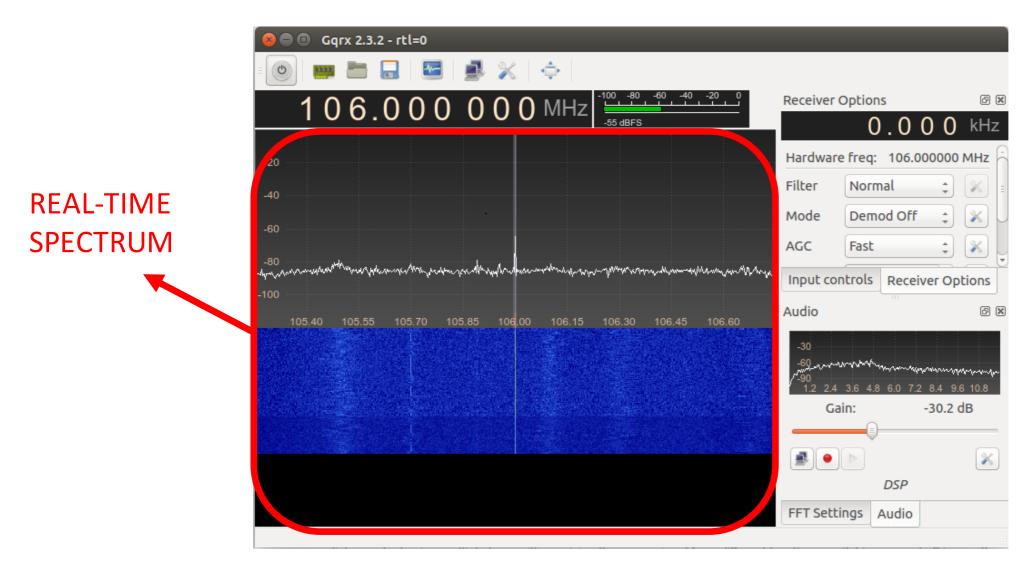




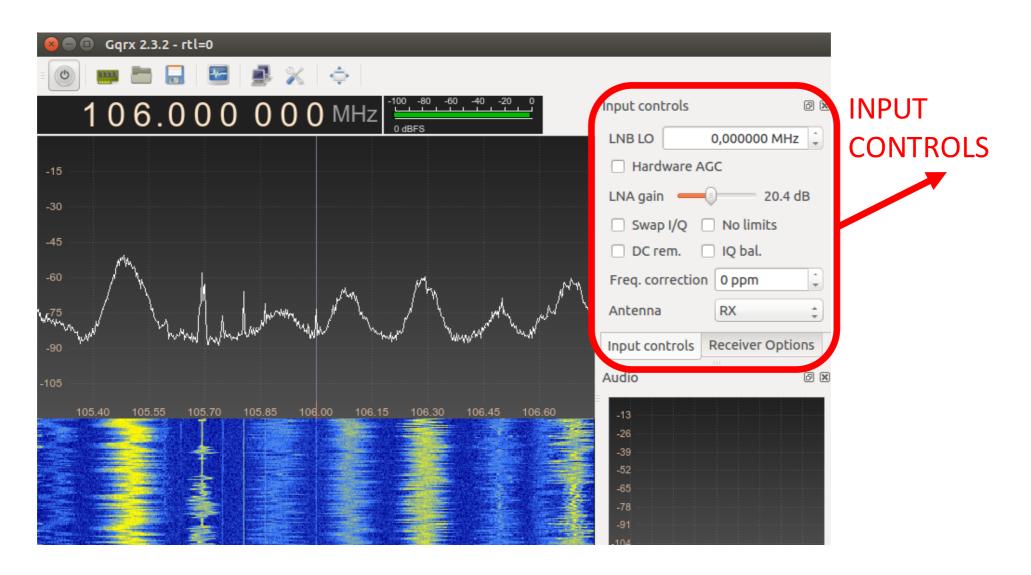




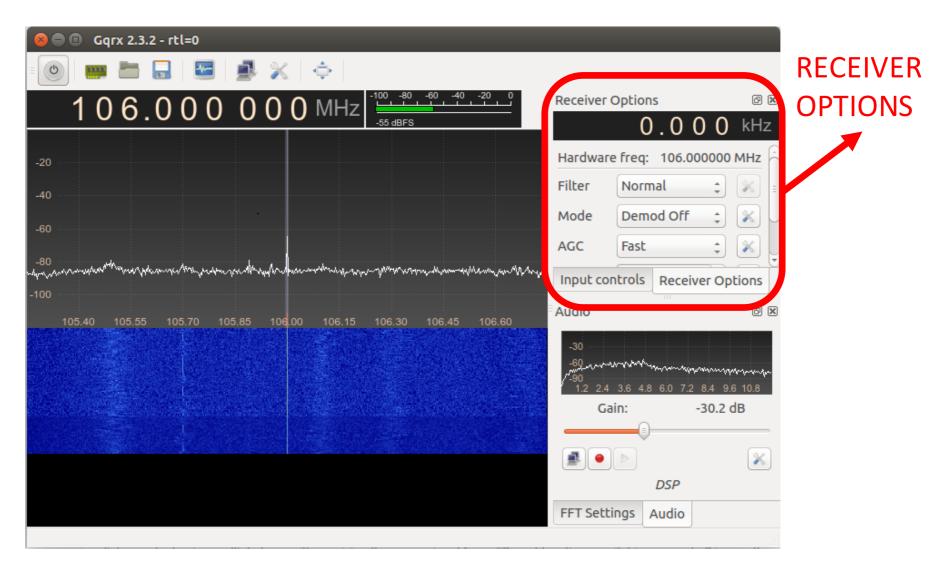




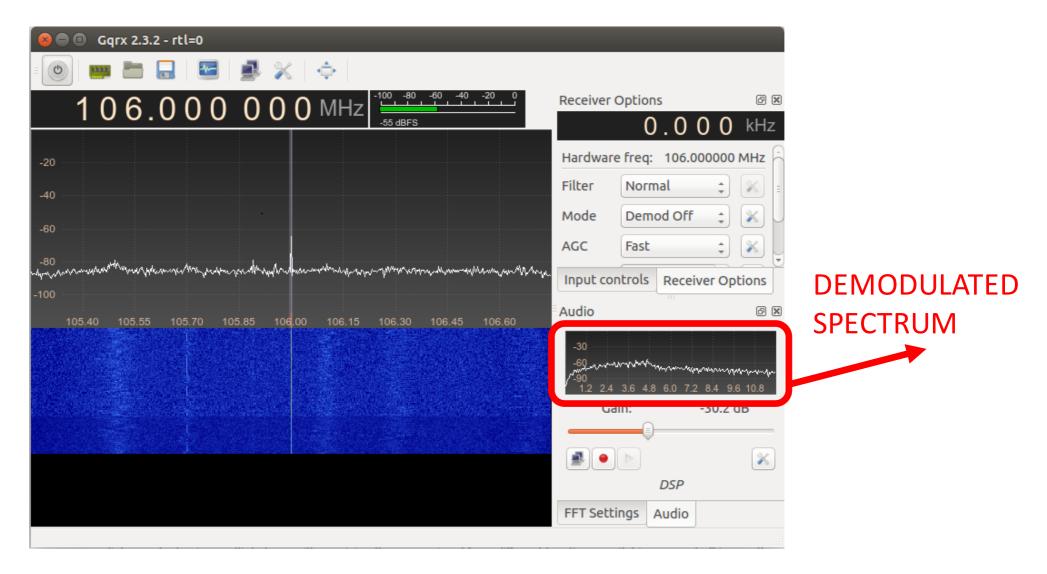




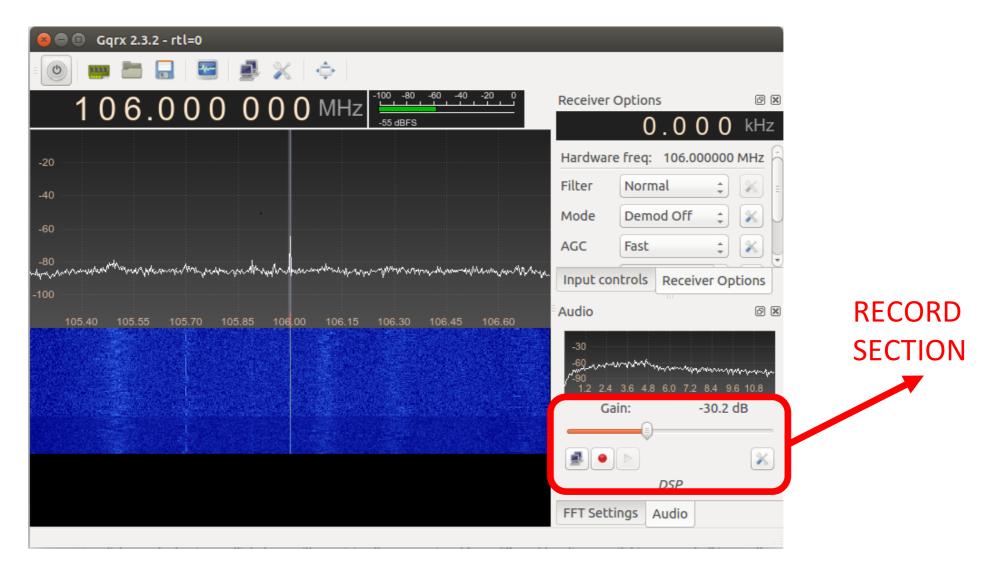






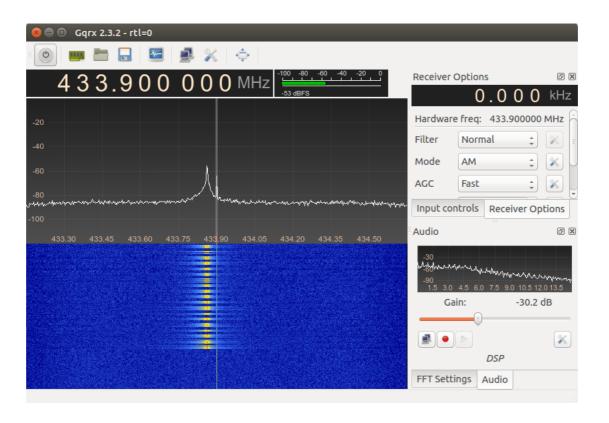








- Black-box interception of a RF signal
 - If the frequency is unknown, search power peaks in the spectrum



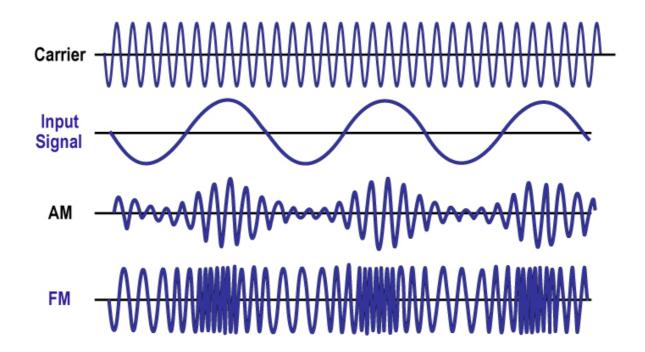


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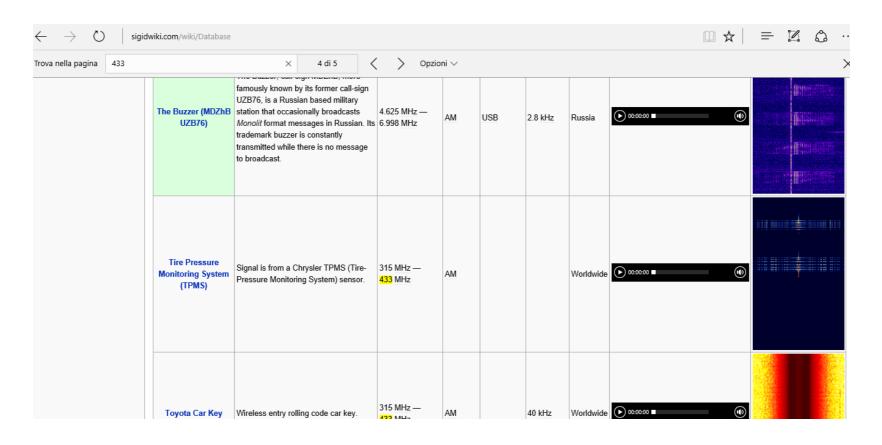


- Modulation
 - Impresses a waveform, called carrier, with another signal that contains data to be transmitted



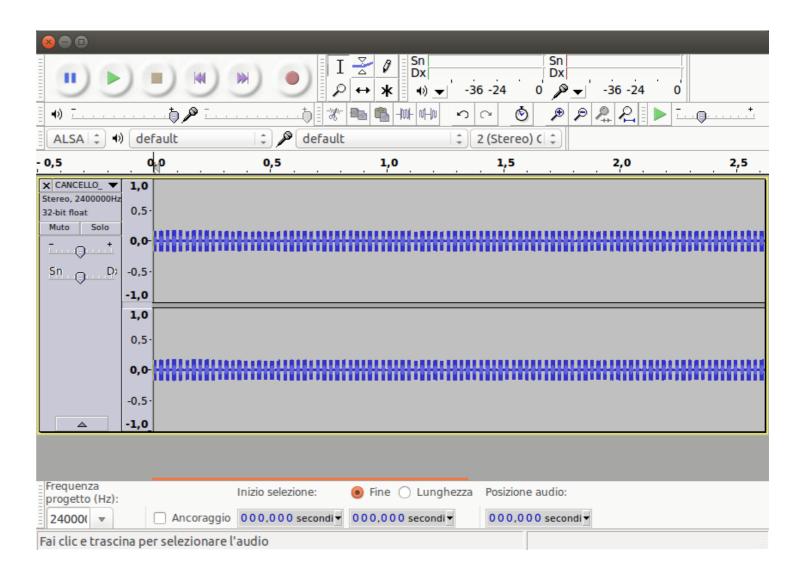


Signal Identification Guide





- Audacity
 - Useful to study recorded signals
 - Support RAW data files used with USRP and HackRF utilities



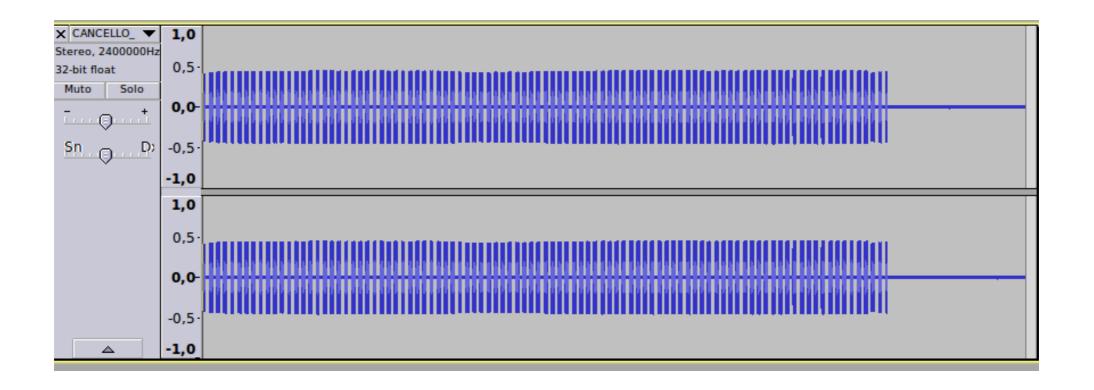


Case Study: remote control at 433 MHz



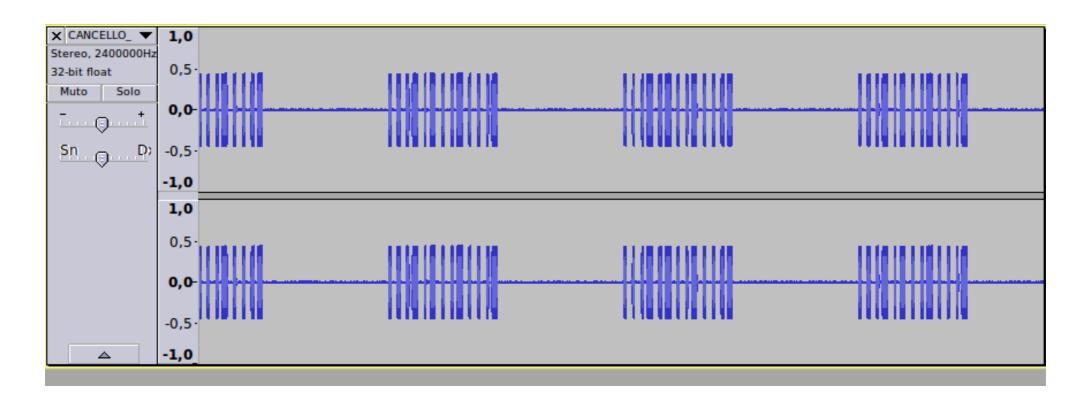


Case Study: remote control at 433 MHz





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- Let's study the signal
 - Amplitude Modulation (AM)
 - Only two amplitude levels
 - Binary transmission using On-Off Keying (OOK) modulation
 - Repeated trains of pulses
 - Different lengths to encode the '0' and '1' bit

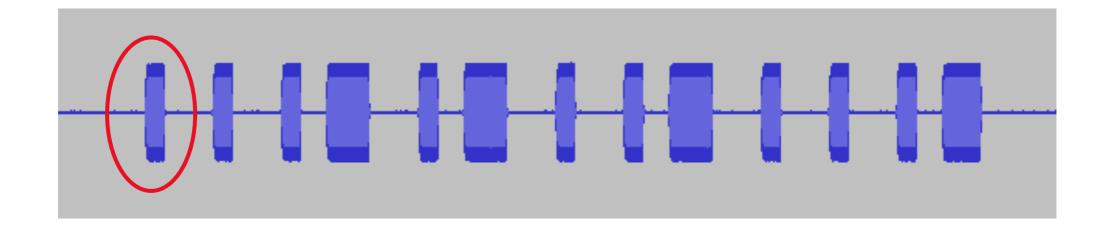


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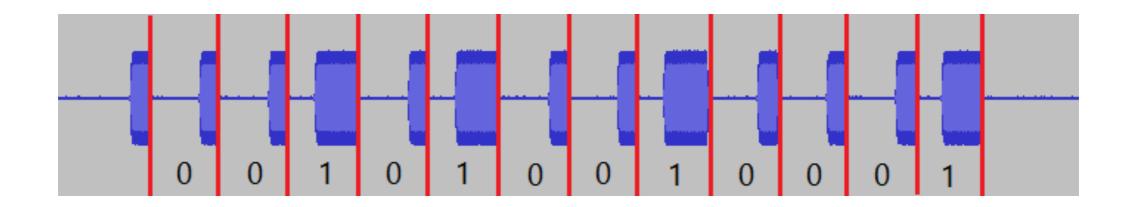


- Focus on a single train
 - The first pulse indicates the beginning of the "message"





Short pulses represent binary '0' while long pulses binary '1'



Transmitted message is 001010010001



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- Case study's solution security
 - The remote control always sends same fixed code (!)
 - Malicious people can record and replay signals thus obtaining an unauthorized access
- Solution
 - Rolling code



- Rolling Code
 - Remote control always sends different codes
 - Sender and receiver are synchronized with an internal counter
 - An hardware algorithm calculates the 'next' code on the basis of the internal counter's value
 - A widely used algorithm is KeeLoq
 - Rolling code is NOT a unbreakable mechanism..



Module 4 | | the challenge



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Challenge introduction | |

You are now part of a Red Team, which has been engaged to breach the physical security of a high security facility controlled by a super secret, and "probably" evil, organization known as h4k3rZ T34mZ

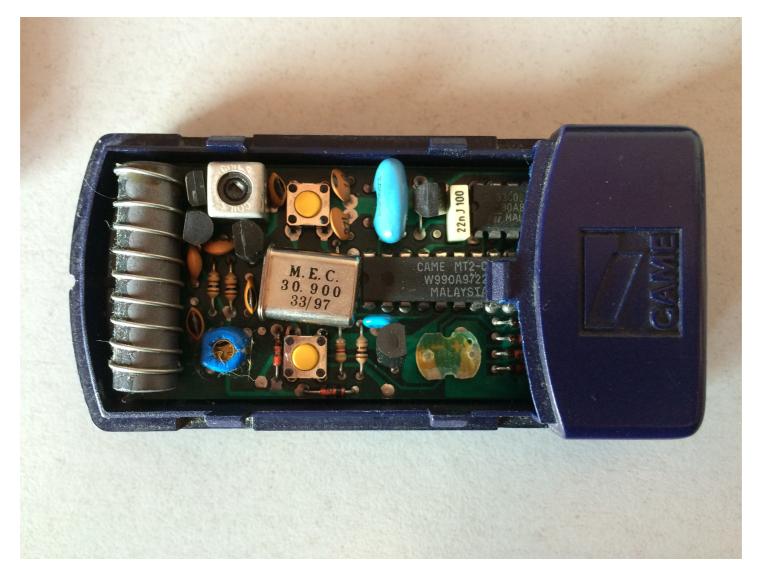
Your task is to open the external facility's electric gate, thus allow your team to enter the facility and proceed with the intrusion..



You find one employee's remote controller..

It seems to be broken and you can't use it to open the gate but you decide to open it to see inside....







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The first two to complete the challenge will win a:

RTL-SDR Dongle from http://www.rtl-sdr.com





Feedback and questions please.. Don't be shy..;-D





Thank you