

# Strange and Radiant Machines in the PHY Layer

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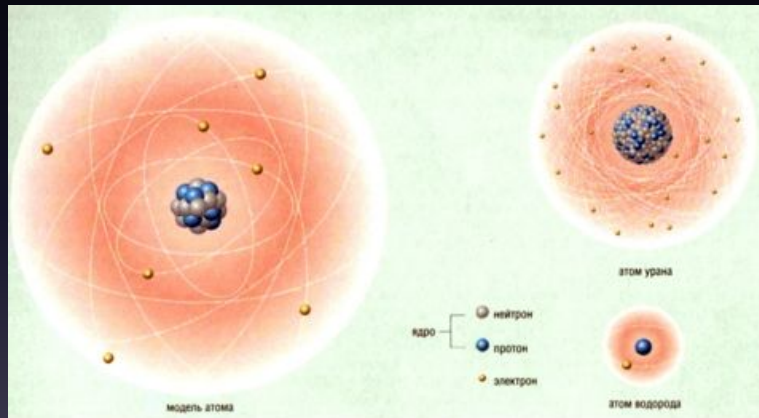
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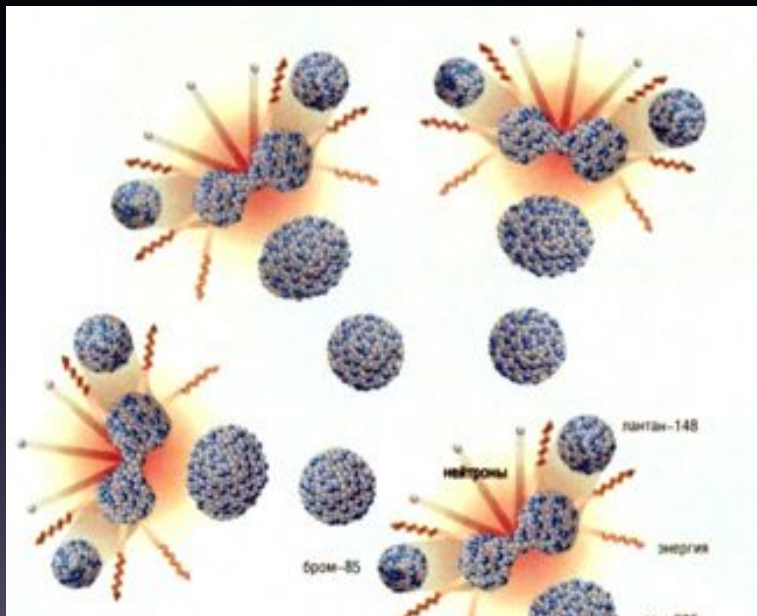
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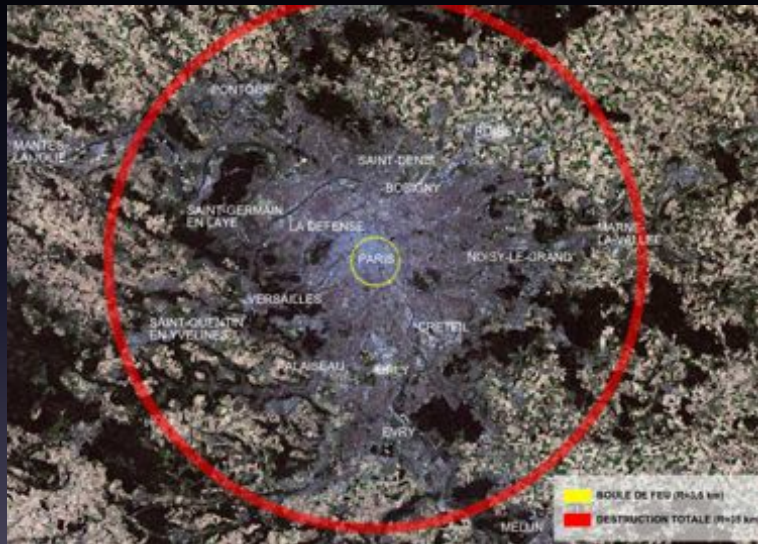


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# Phrack 49:19

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- `foo()` returns to the wrong place.
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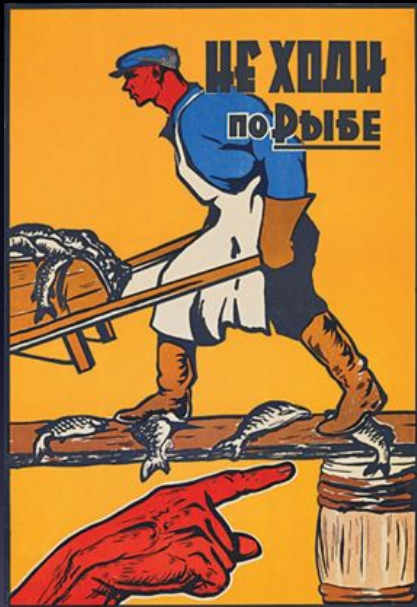
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- All of these are useful in 2012.

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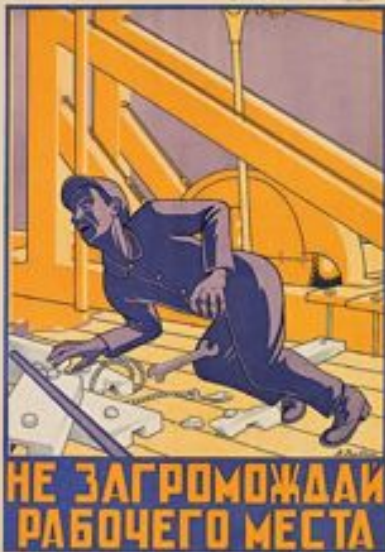


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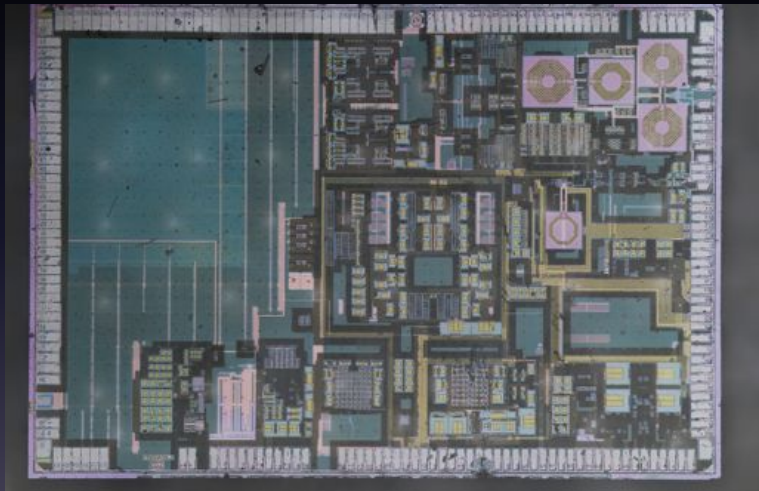
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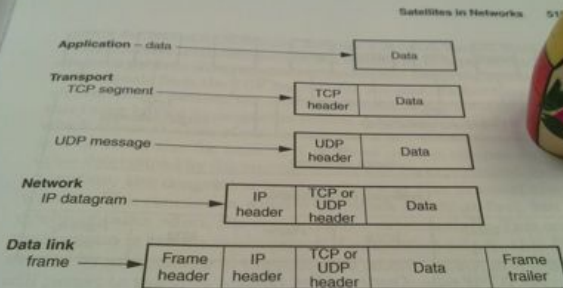
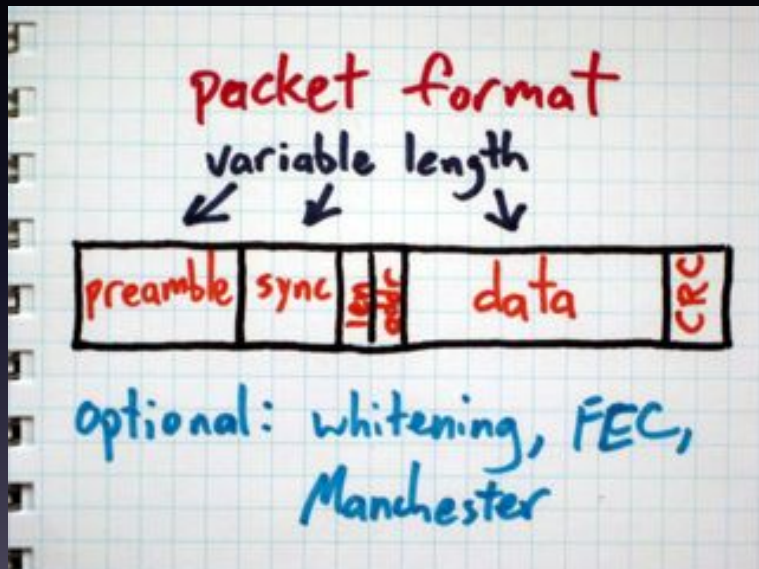


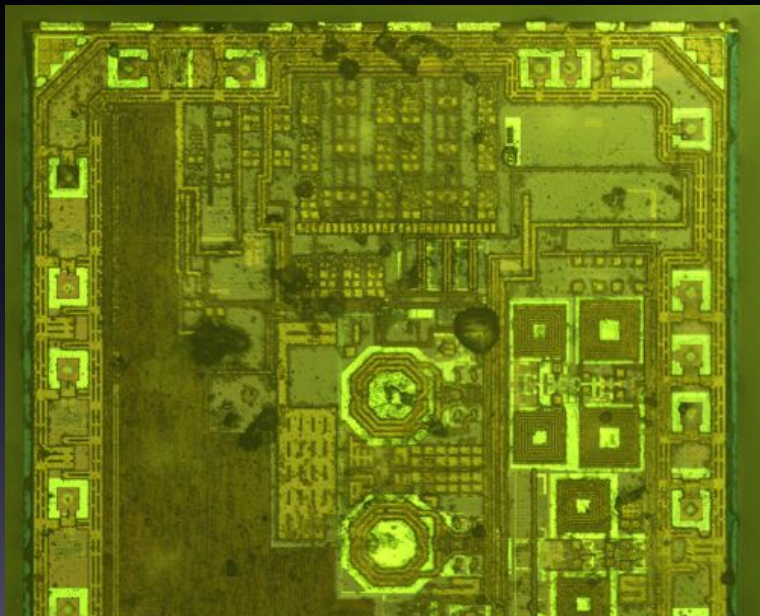
Figure 15.11 Packet terminology. (Courtesy of Feit, 1997.)

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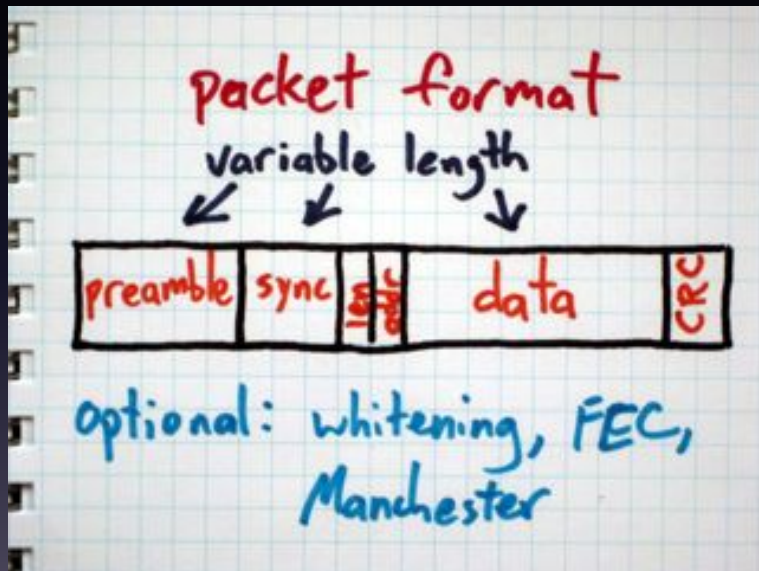


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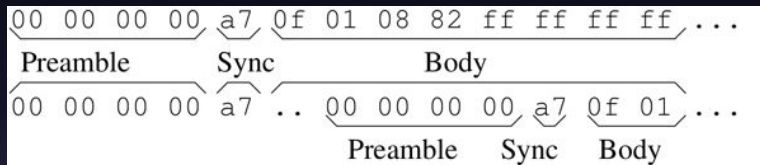
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(Key-Down) Packet with device address  
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Keykeriki 2.0, <http://www.remote-exploit.org/>  
Max Moser and Thorsten Schroeder



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## GoodFETNRF



- Travis Goodspeed analyzed TurningPoints ResponseCard RF "Clicker cards"
- Reprogrammed "The Next HOPE" batches using its GODFET
  - <http://travisgoodspeed.blogspot.com/2010/06/hacking-next-hope-badge.html>
  - Capable of "sniffing" OpenBeacon protocol
  - Jamming frequencies by sending NRF *constant carrier wave*
- "Although some architectural limitations of the NRF24L01+ make sniffing difficult without knowing the first three bytes of the destination MAC address to be sniffed"
  - That's because there is no documented way how to get layer2 access using this chip
- Still cool way if you know the address. Python code to interface with the GoodFET Firmware is available at <http://sourceforge.net/projects/goodfet/files/>.



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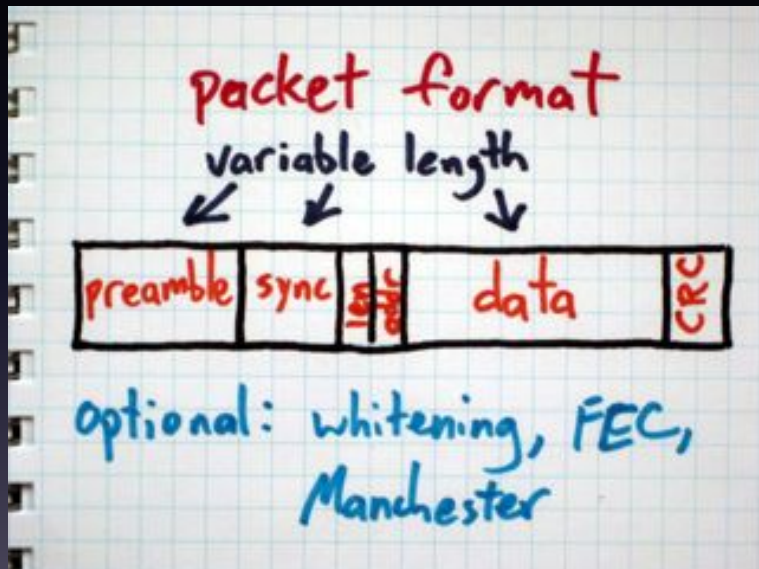
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- Keykeriki needed custom hardware to sniff at 2Mbps.
- Couldn't match in hardware because SYNC is unknown.
- With a trick similar to PIP, we can do it on cheap hardware.
- First, cause false-positive matches *before* the packet.
- Second, disable the CRC.

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sync,mac,r5,r6
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'55,0102030201,51,09' looks valid      1      0.00820
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- Radio receivers suffer false positives, false negatives.
- For the MSKB implementation,
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  - Checksums can be disabled.
  - The preamble is predictable.
  - Preamble damage is not fatal to reception.

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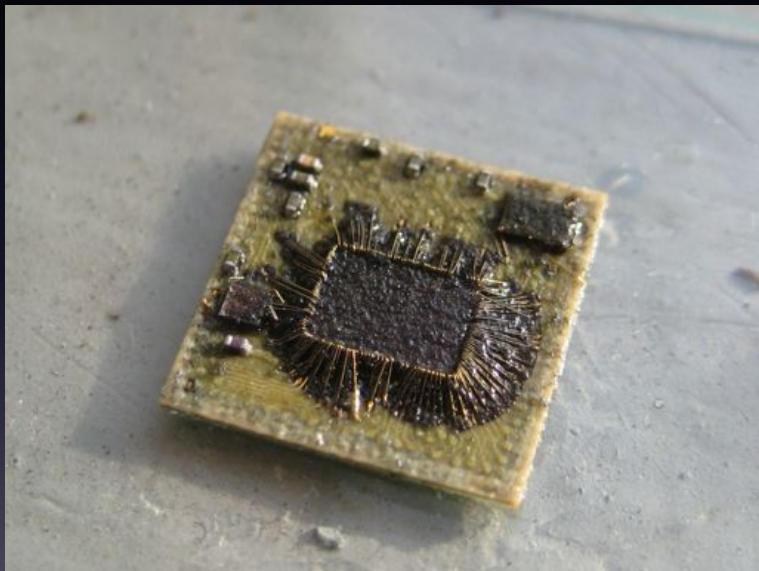




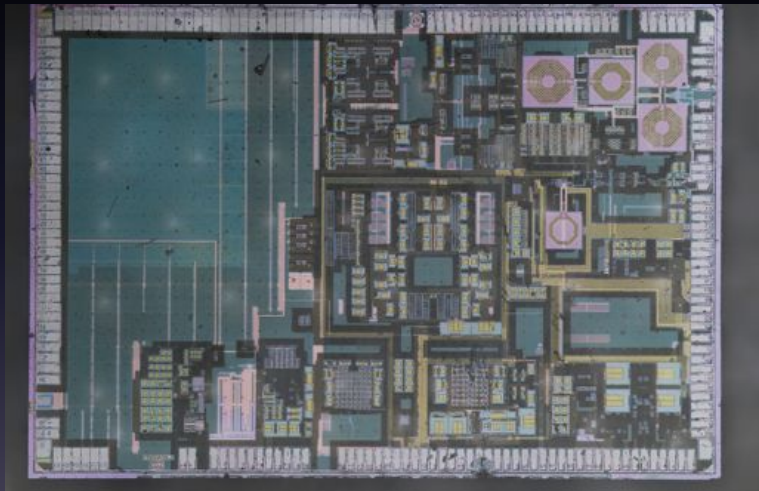
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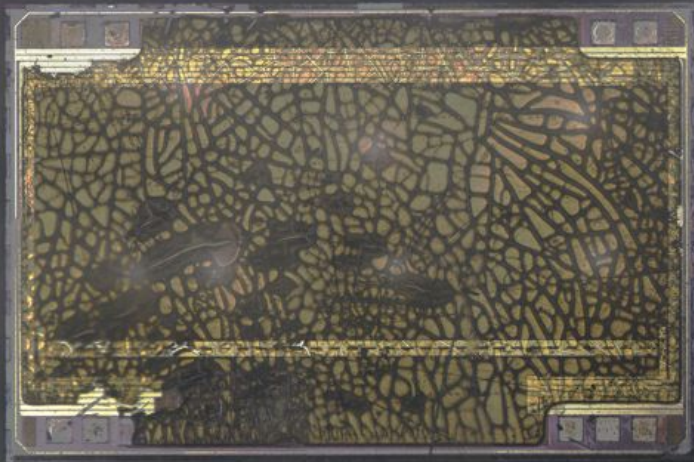
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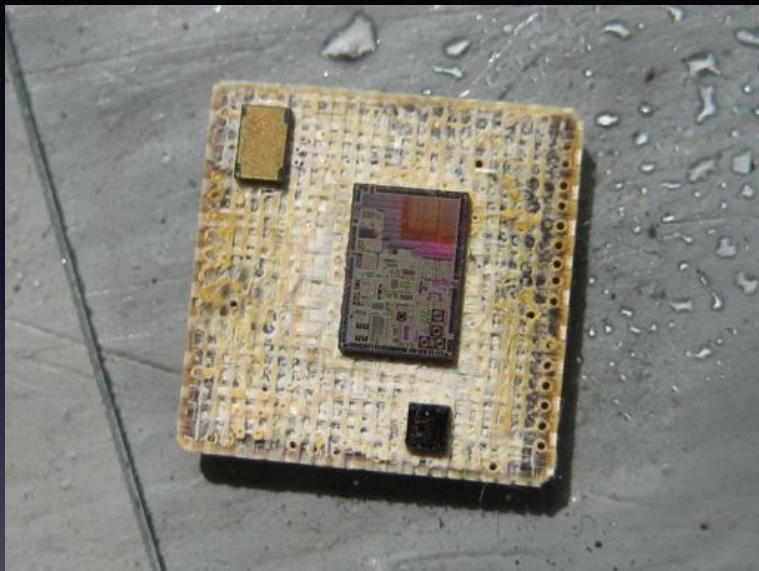
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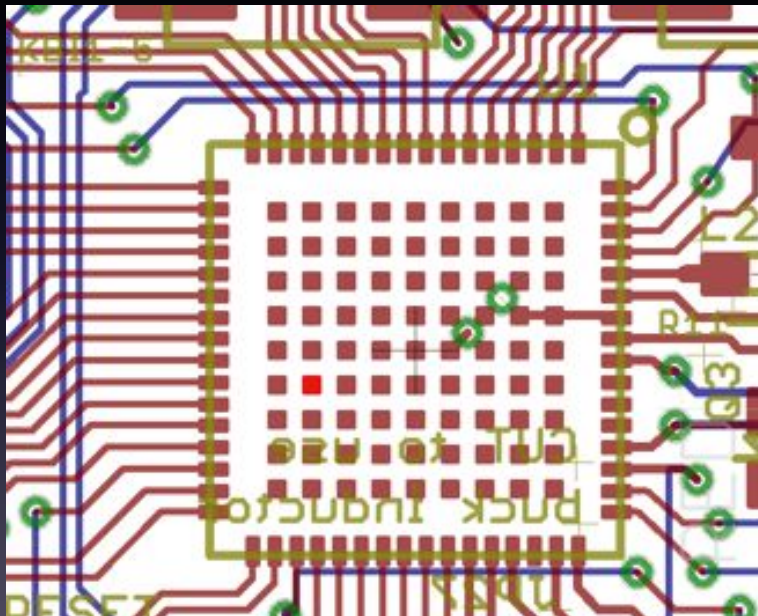
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