

Hardware Hacking Party Tricks

Techniques for Exploring, Manipulating, and Exploiting Embedded Systems



Hardware Hacking Process

Information Gathering

Product Teardown

Buses & Interfaces

Memory & Firmware

Fault Injection & Side Channels

Party Plan

Visualizing Signals

UART

Memory

JTAG

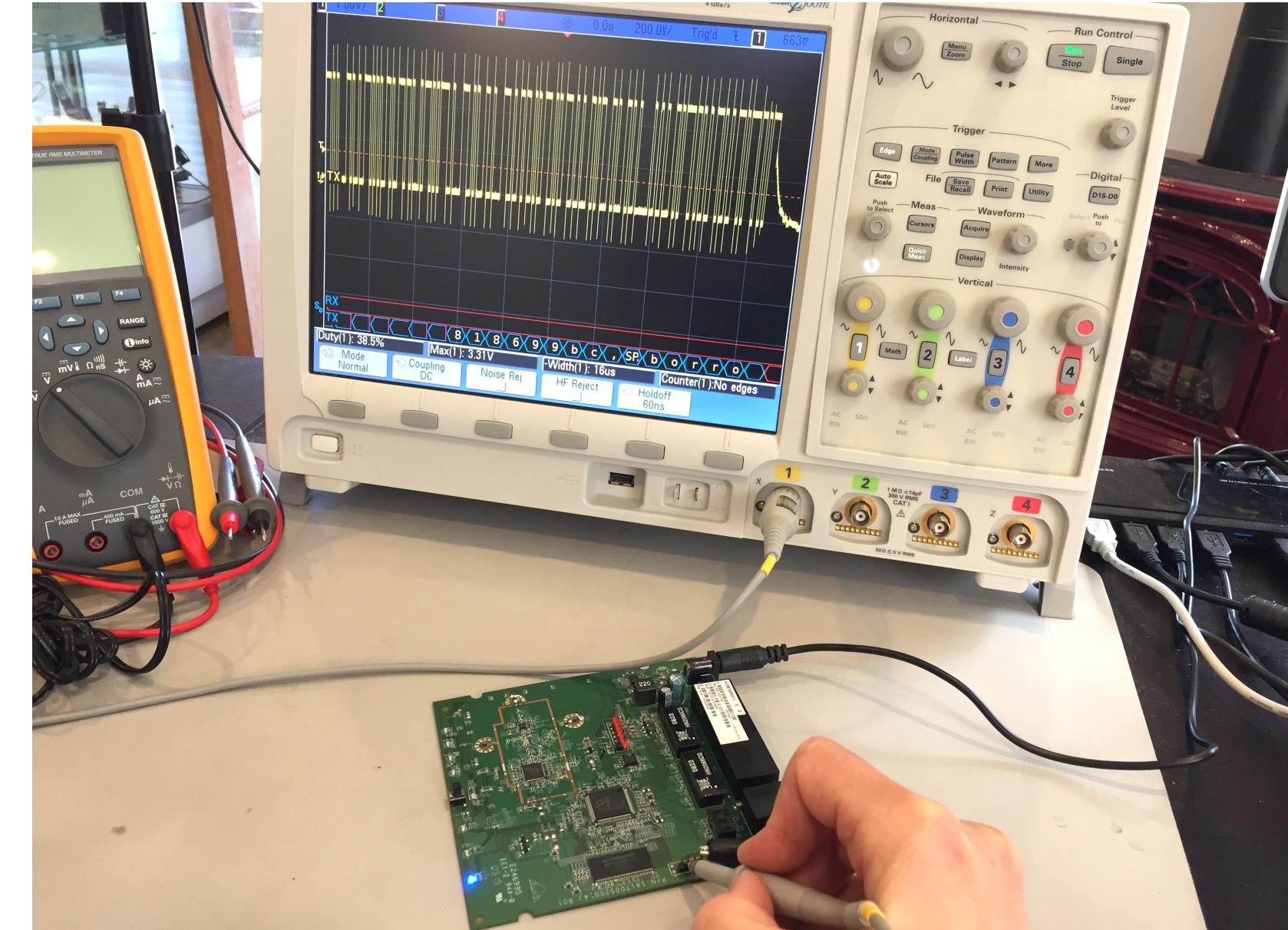
Glitching

EMFI

Visualizing Signals

Identify activity within a system

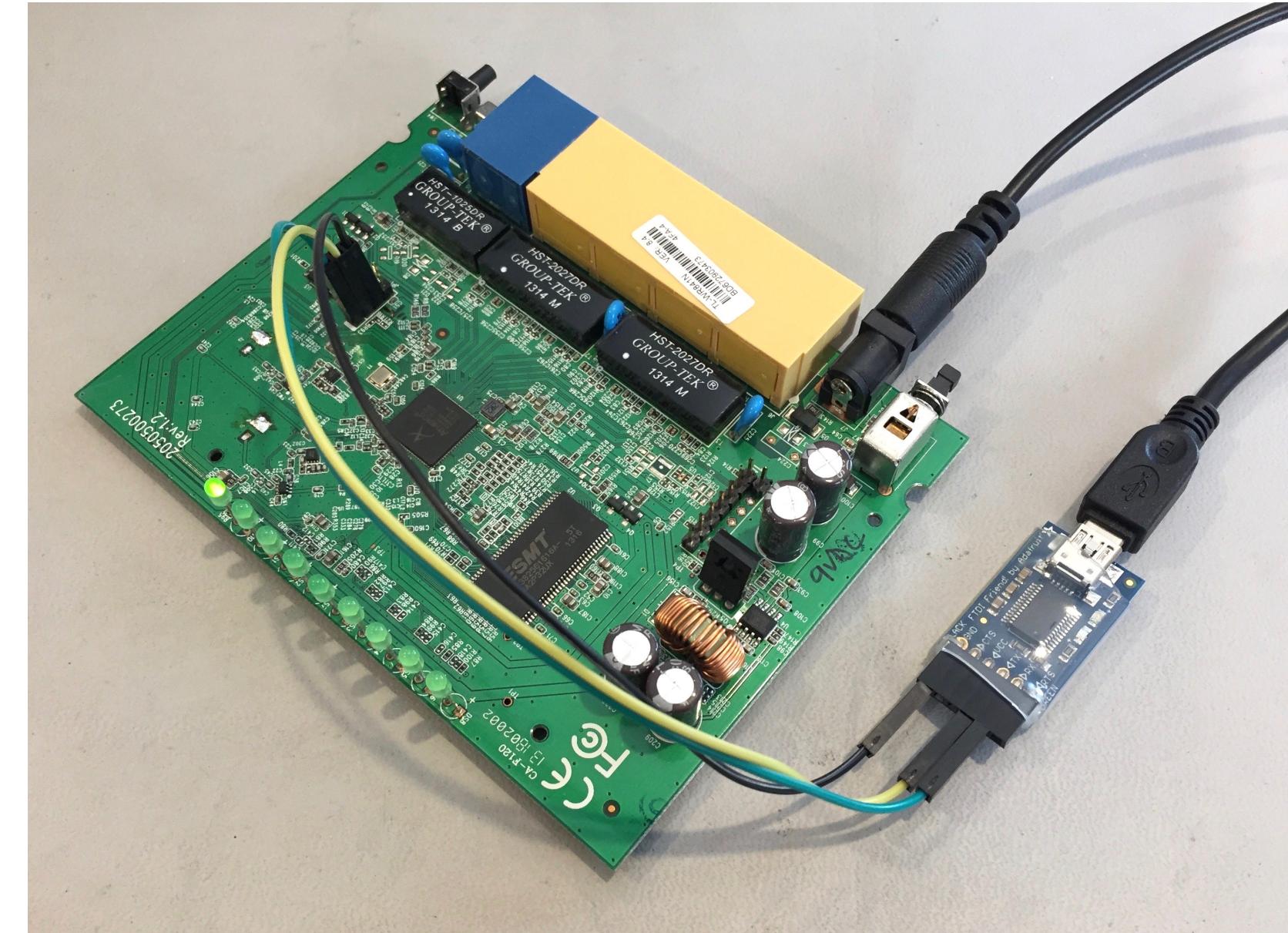
Oscilloscope + Linksys WRT120N



UART

Serial communication to/from target

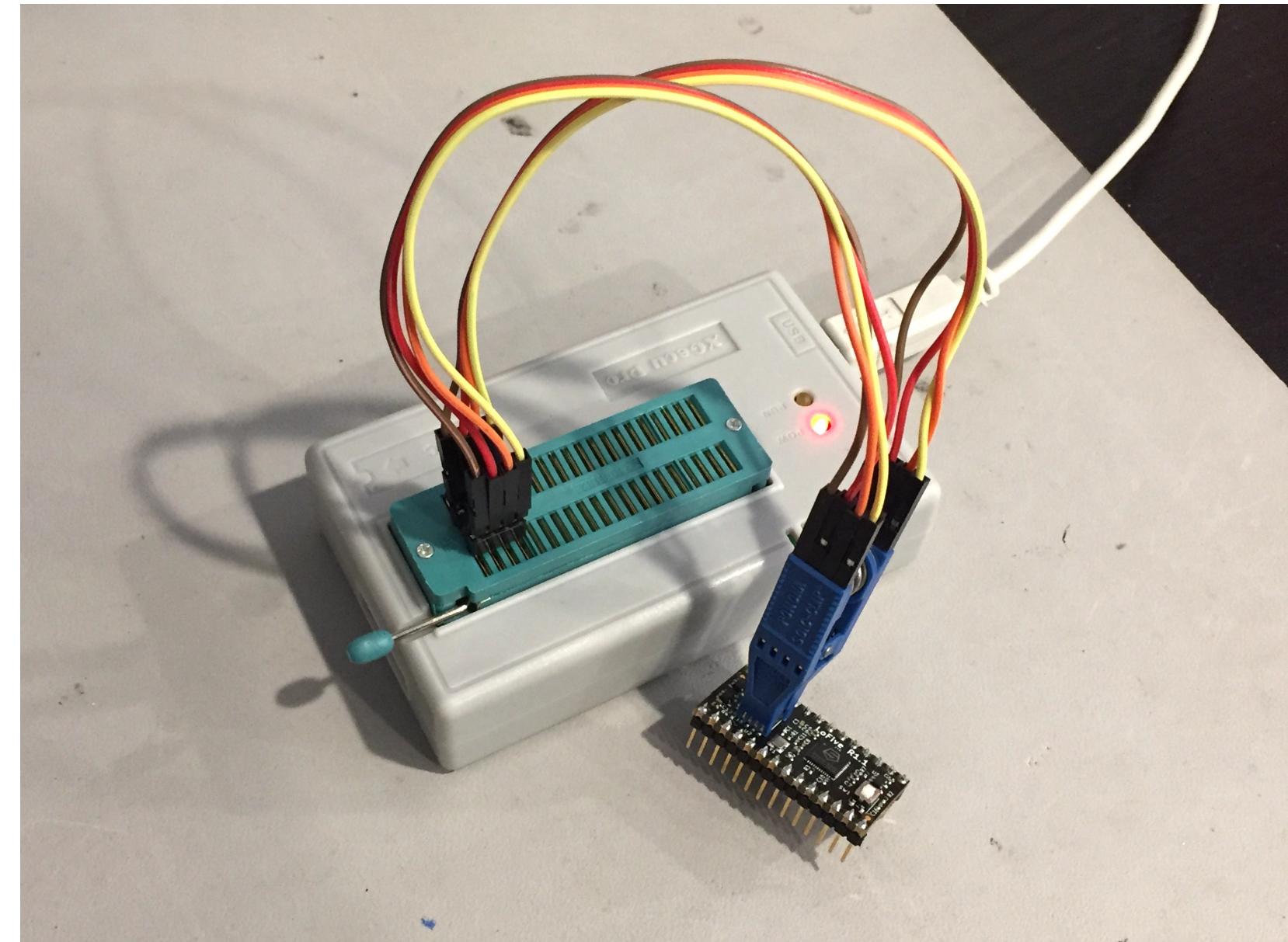
FTDI Friend + TP-Link TL-WR841N



Memory

Extract data contents

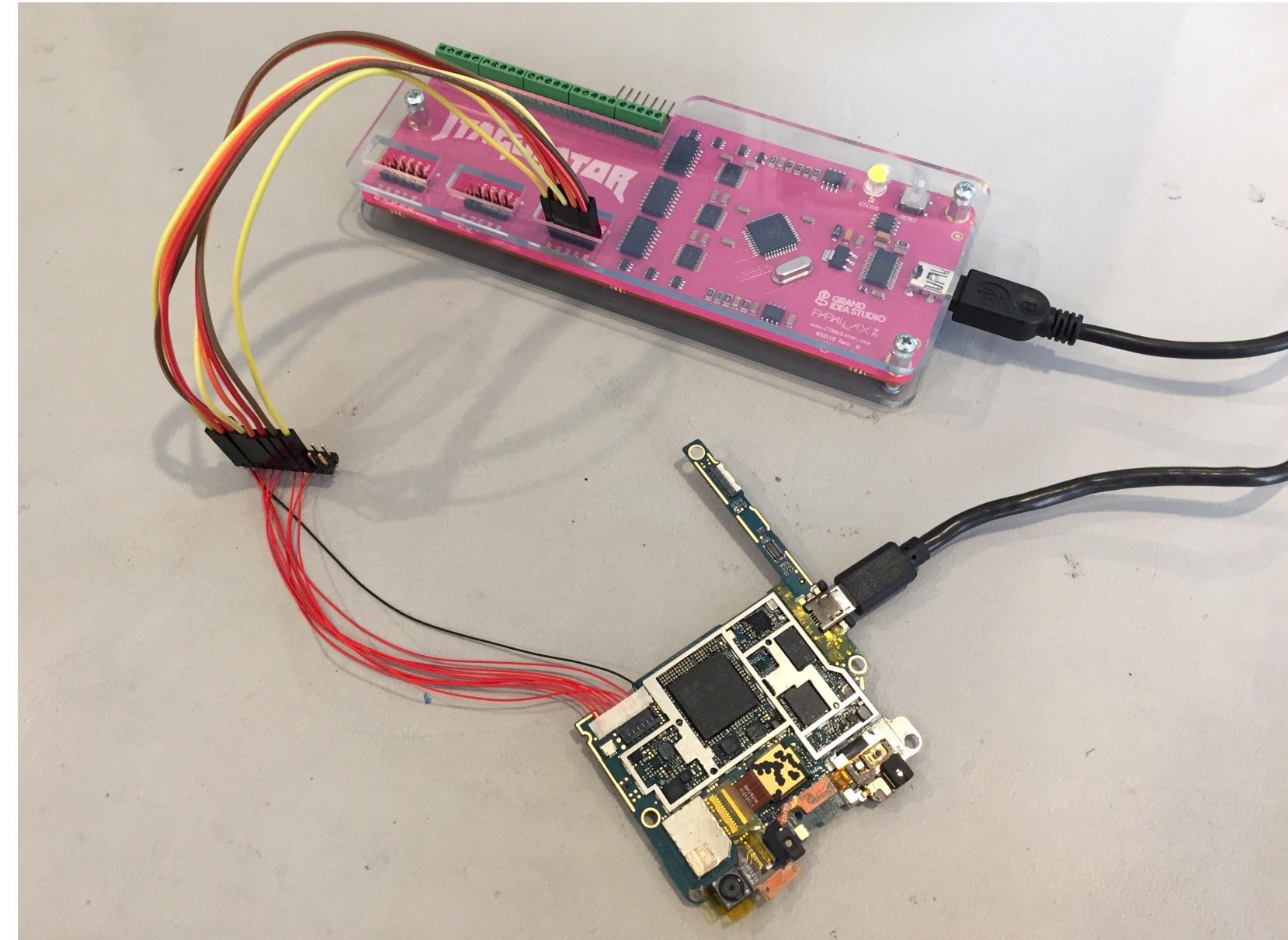
XGecu TL866II Plus + IS25LP128



JTAG

Industry-standard test/debug interface
(aka "the root shell of hardware")

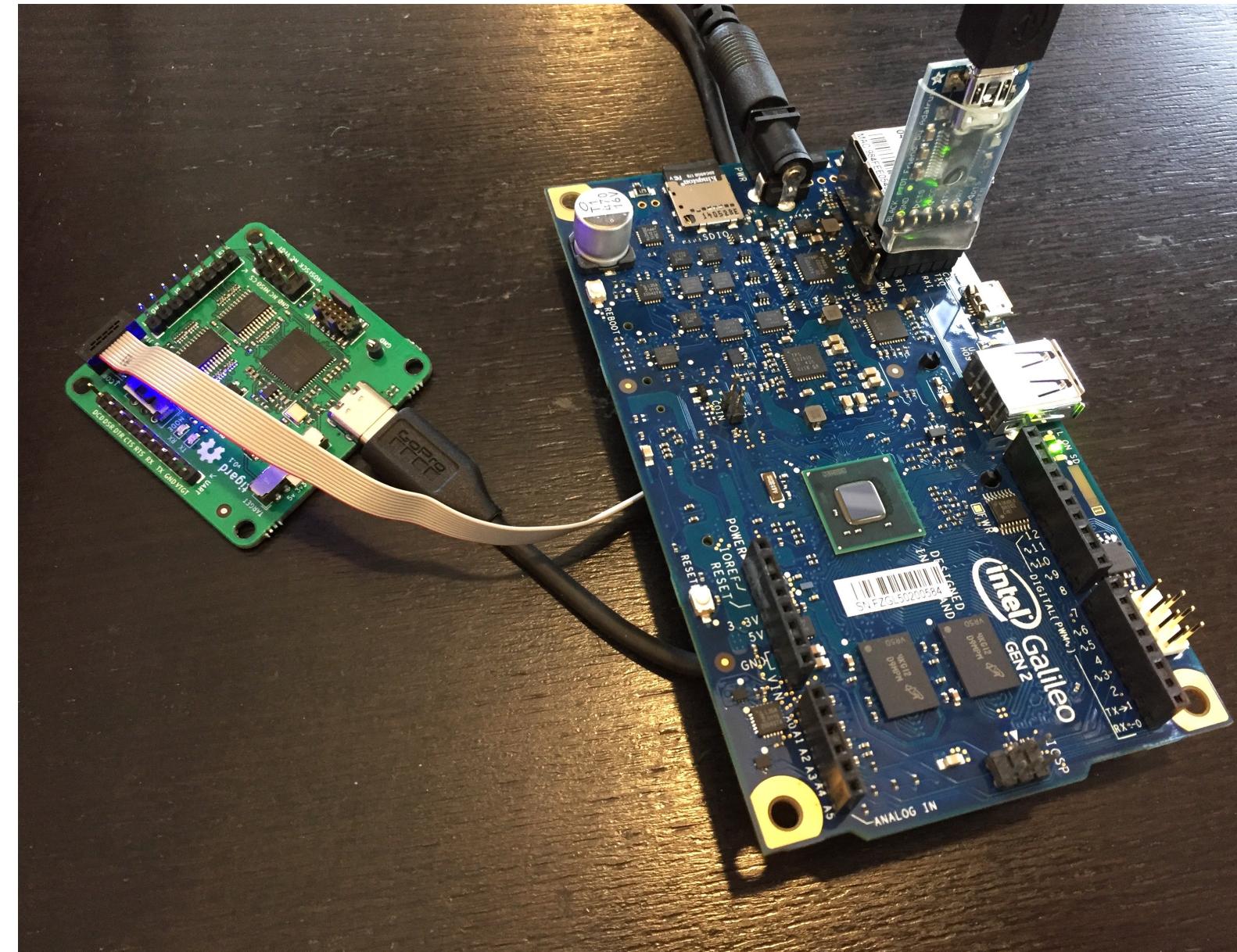
JTAGulator + HTC One X



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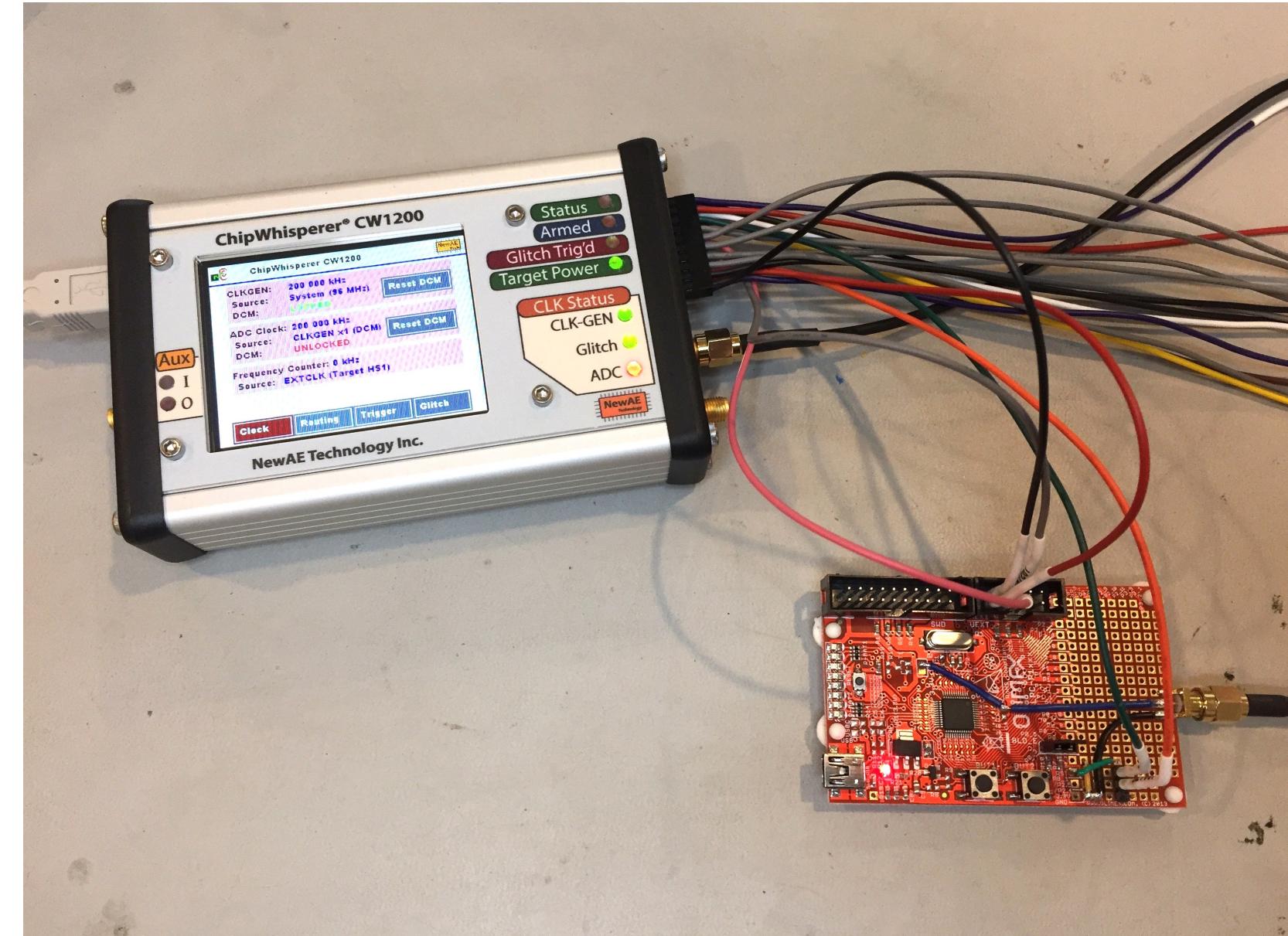
Tigard + Intel Galileo Gen. 2



Glitching

Operate system outside of specification
to achieve misbehavior

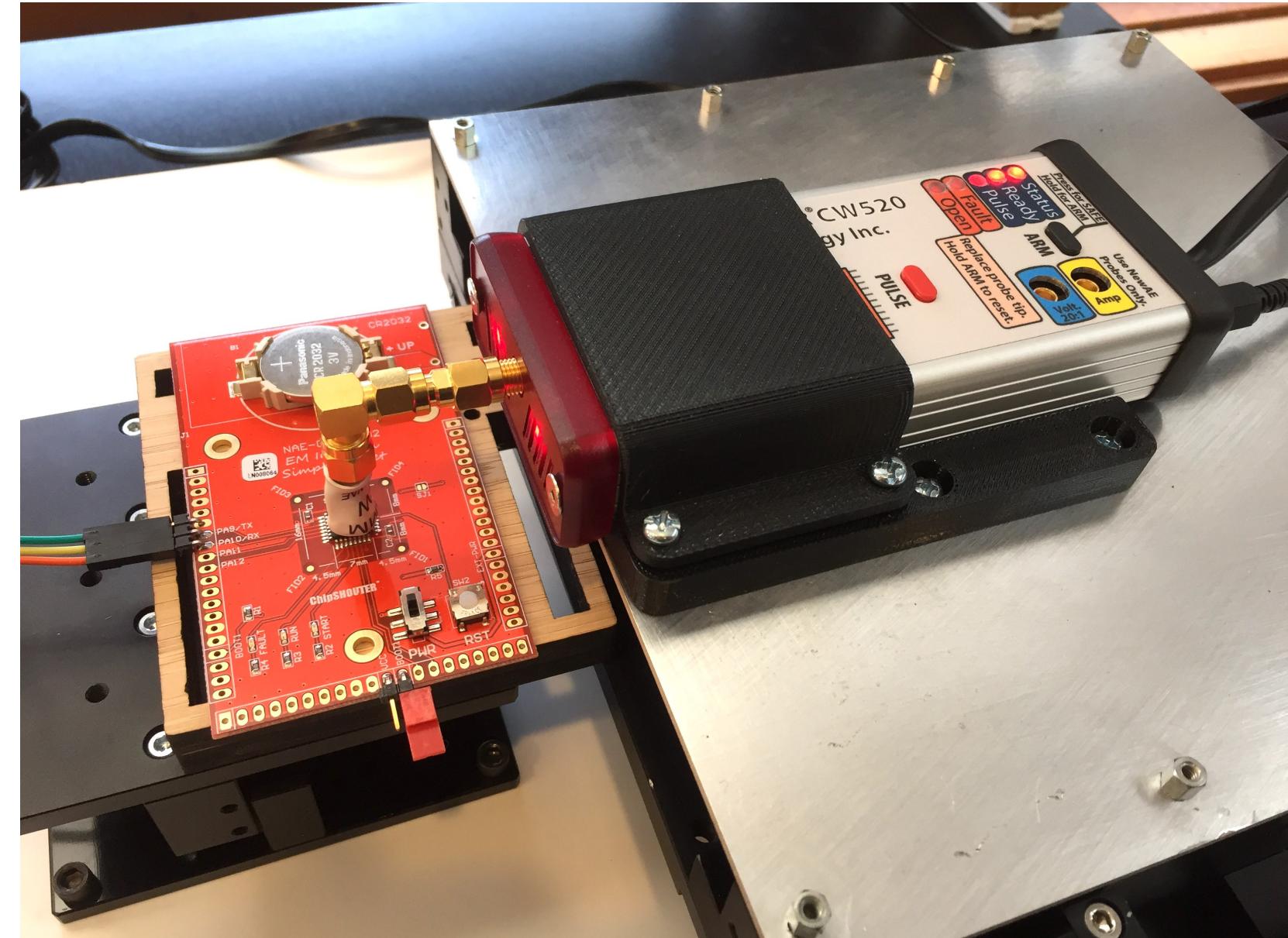
ChipWhisperer + NXP LPC1114



EMFI

Electromagnetic fields induce voltages
within silicon

ChipSHOUTER + STM32F303





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