

Hack Everything

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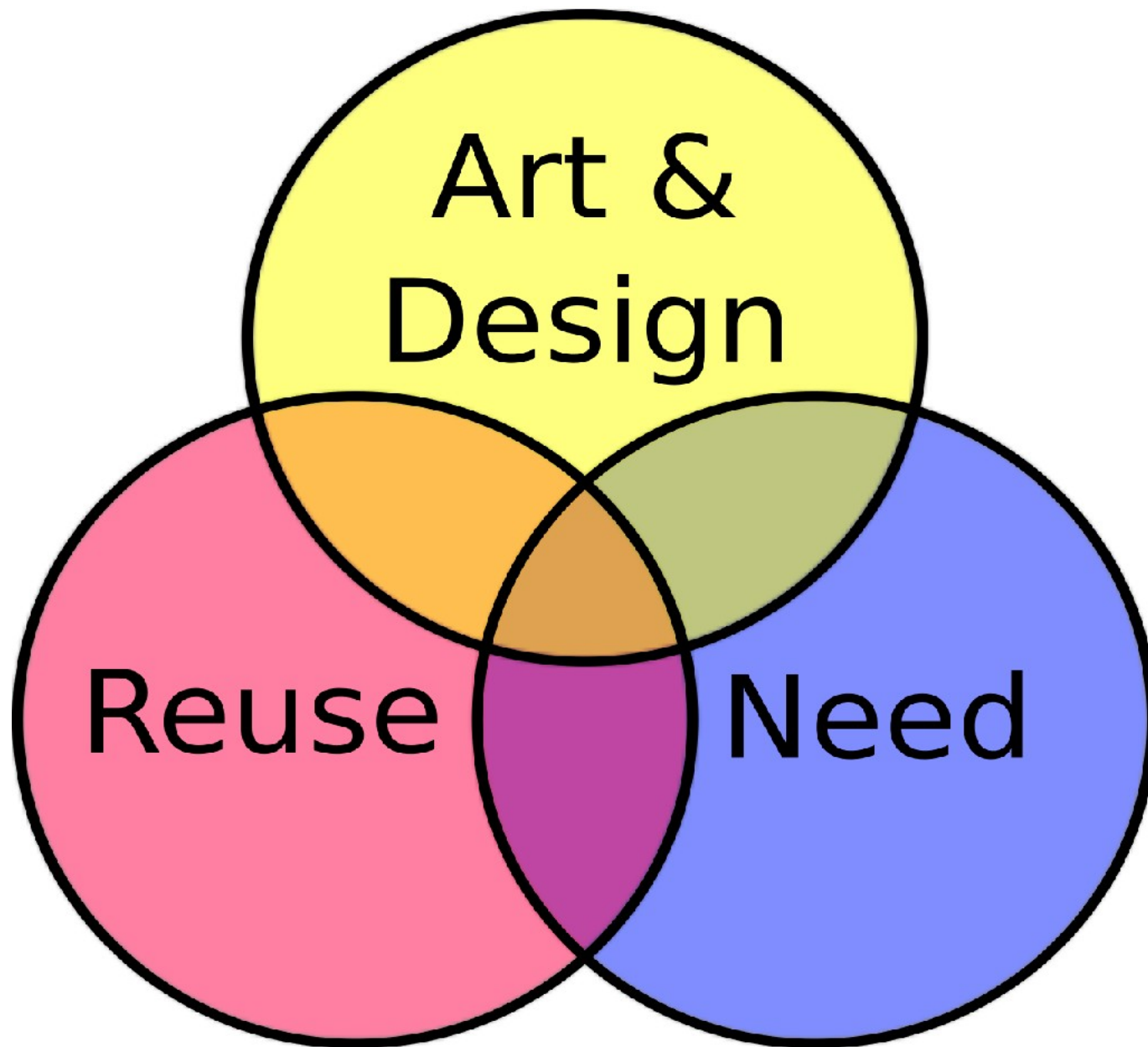
Pull apart electronic stuff and invent
new things with the insides

Matt Evans, IBM OzLabs

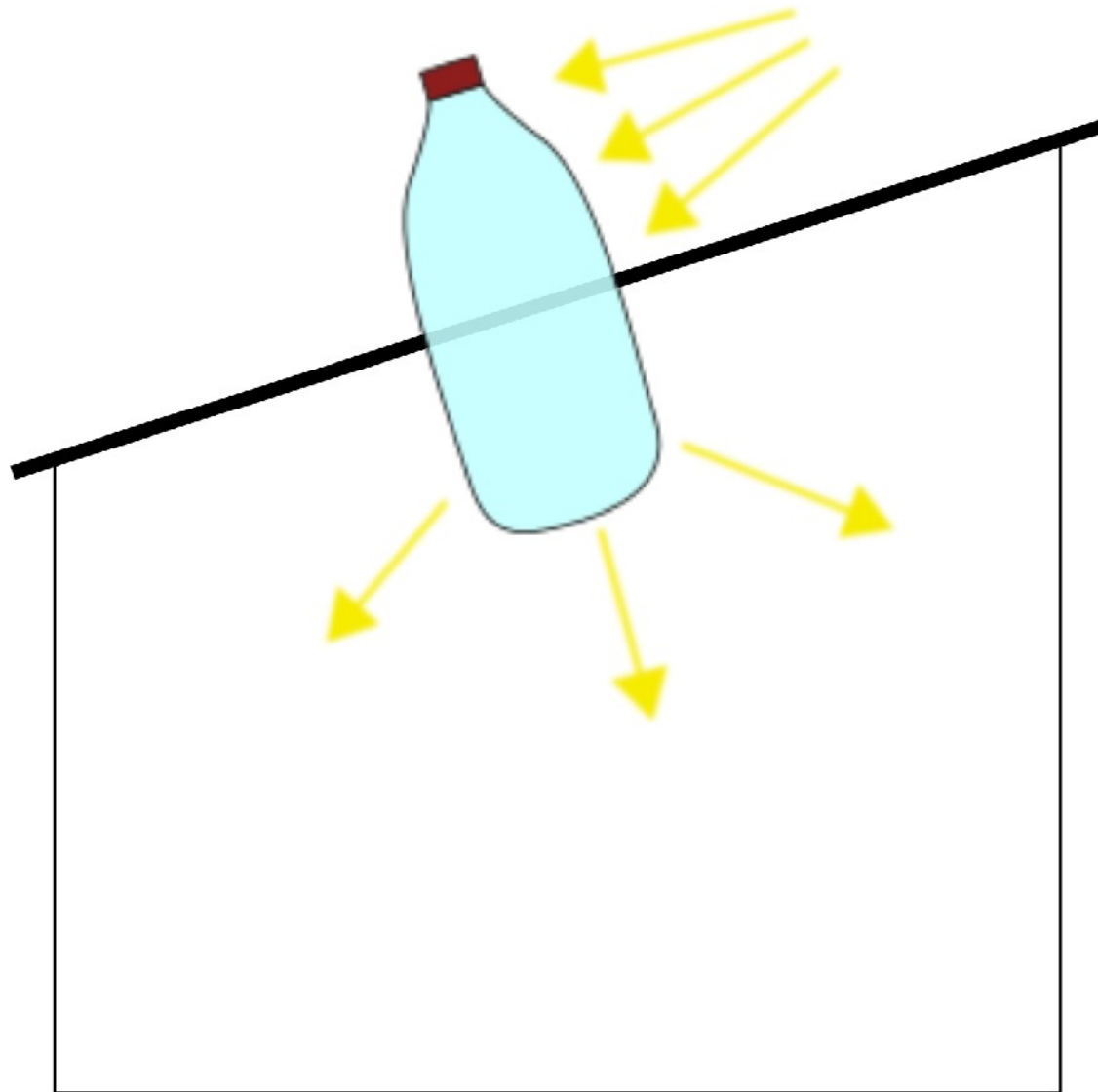
Re-using electronic devices

1. Philosophy
2. Technical stuff

Philosophy of re-use/hacking



Litron Liwanag (Litre of Light)

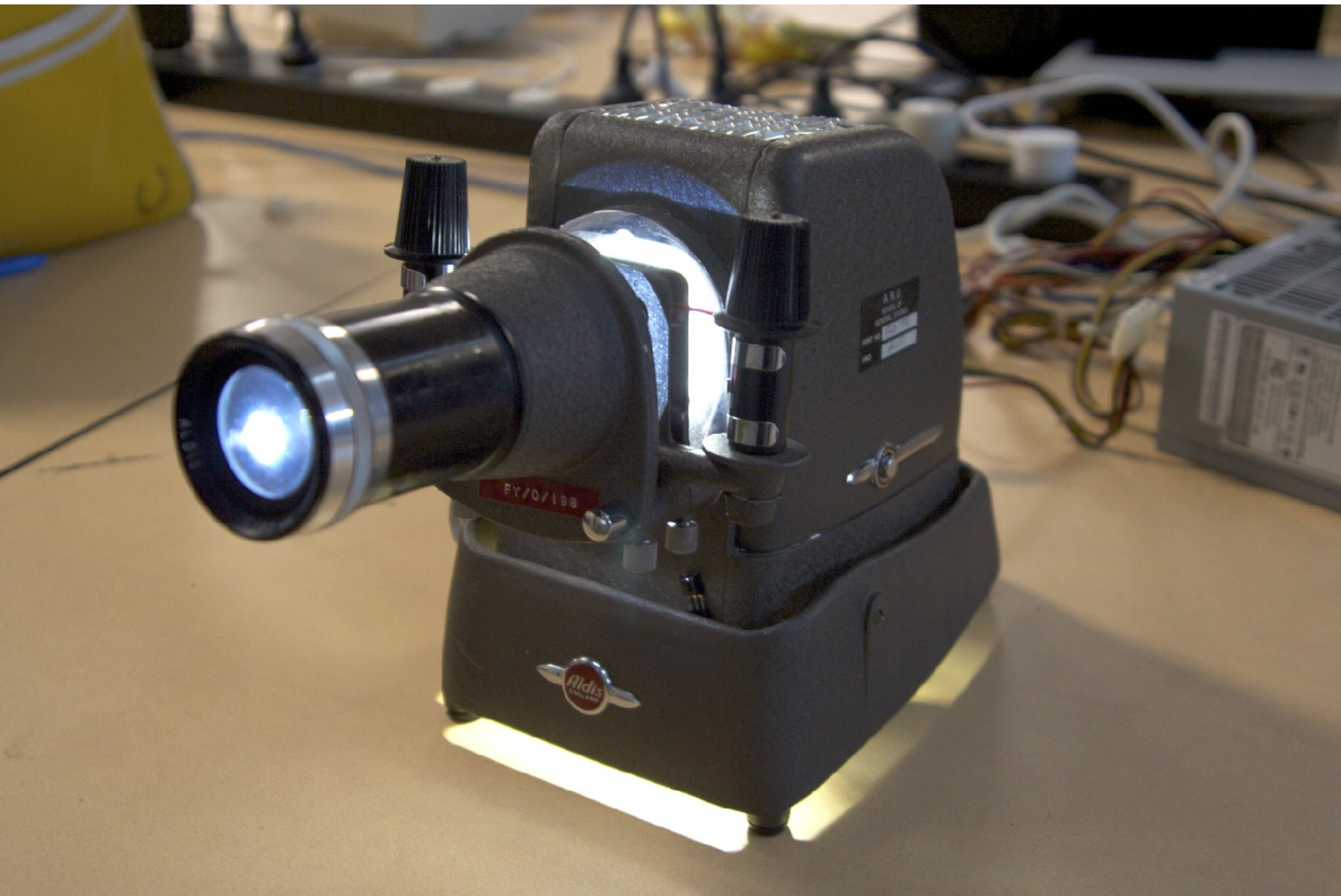


Gambiarra:

The Brazilian art of the improvised fix, kludge or creation.

- With an emphasis on an artful nature!





A yellow rubber duck is perched on top of a black, cylindrical subwoofer. A speech bubble originates from the duck, containing the text "Fear me!". A black cable with a red-tipped connector is plugged into the bottom of the subwoofer.

Fear me!

MEGADUCK



Save resources:

Re-use > Recycling > Landfill

Save money:

What's the coolest thing you can
build for \$0?

Take things apart, learn by
example

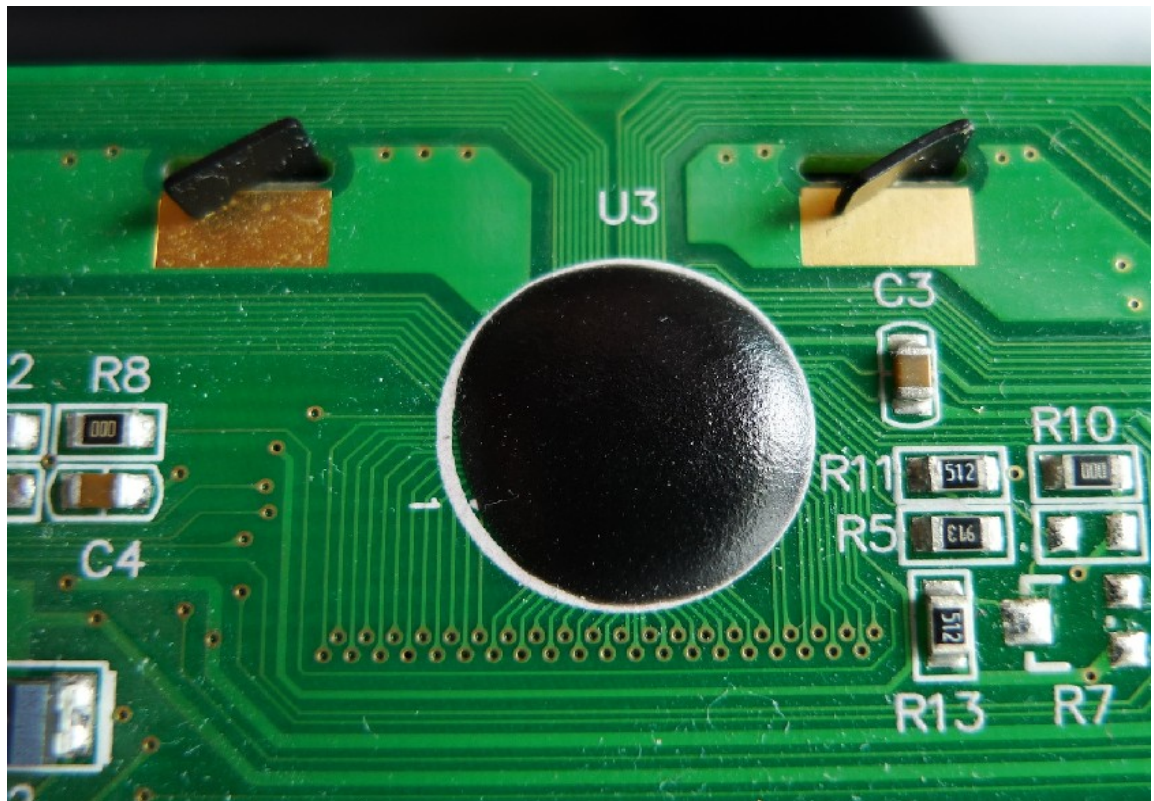
Difficult things are fun

Easy things are fun too

What makes some devices easy to
hack and others difficult?

Effort put into making a
device 'unhackable'

Low cost manufacturing makes hacks difficult



Cheap development *can*
make for *easier* hacks

Rejoice!

Some products are open
hardware designs!

Things to look for in a device:

- Similarity to reference designs
- Debug code left in
- Unused features/footprints
- Factory test points/ports

My CD player has a serial
port



RS-232C

N11776

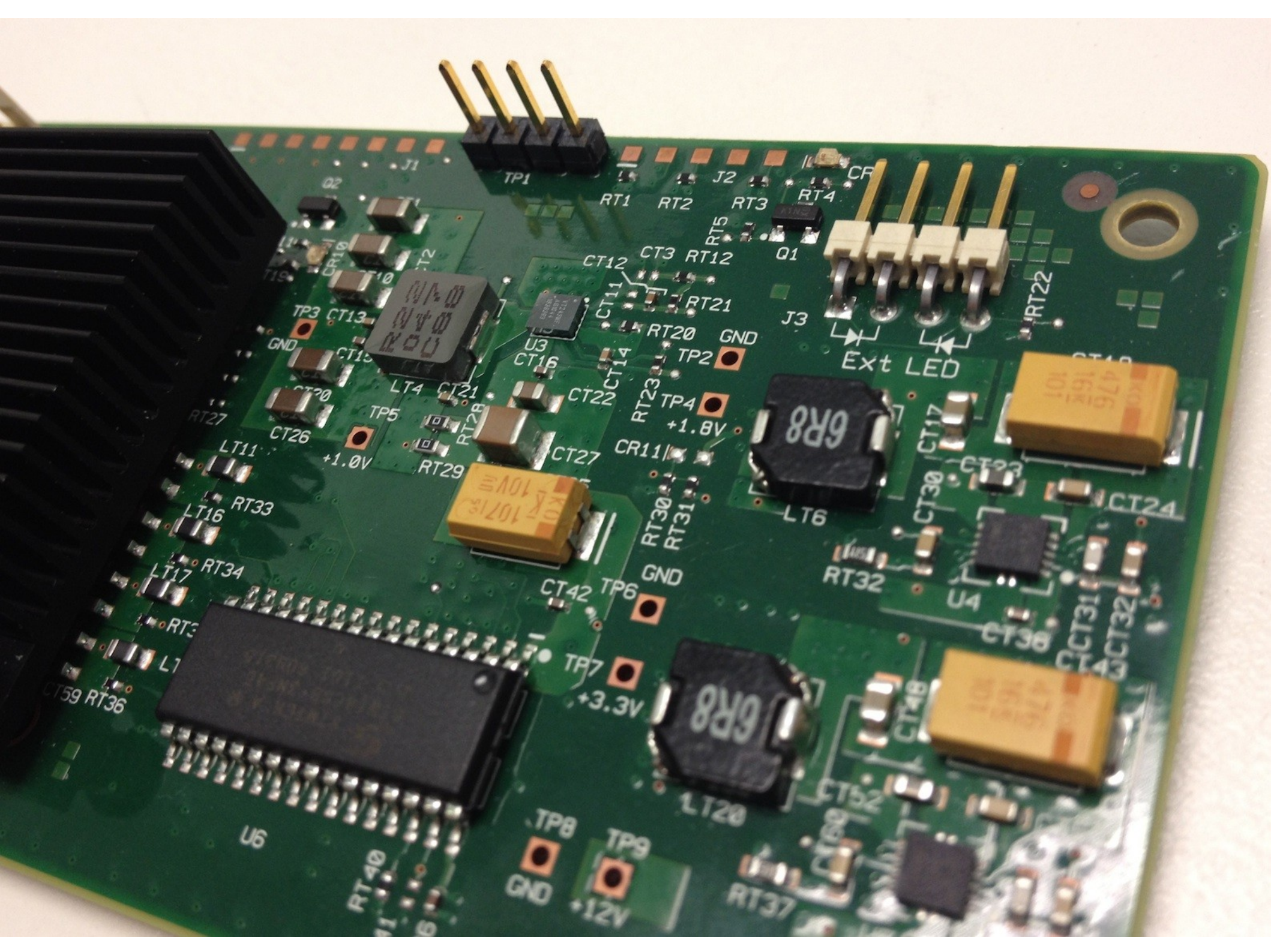
TV ANT IN

LOOP OUT



HDMI

S/PO





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V
V
I

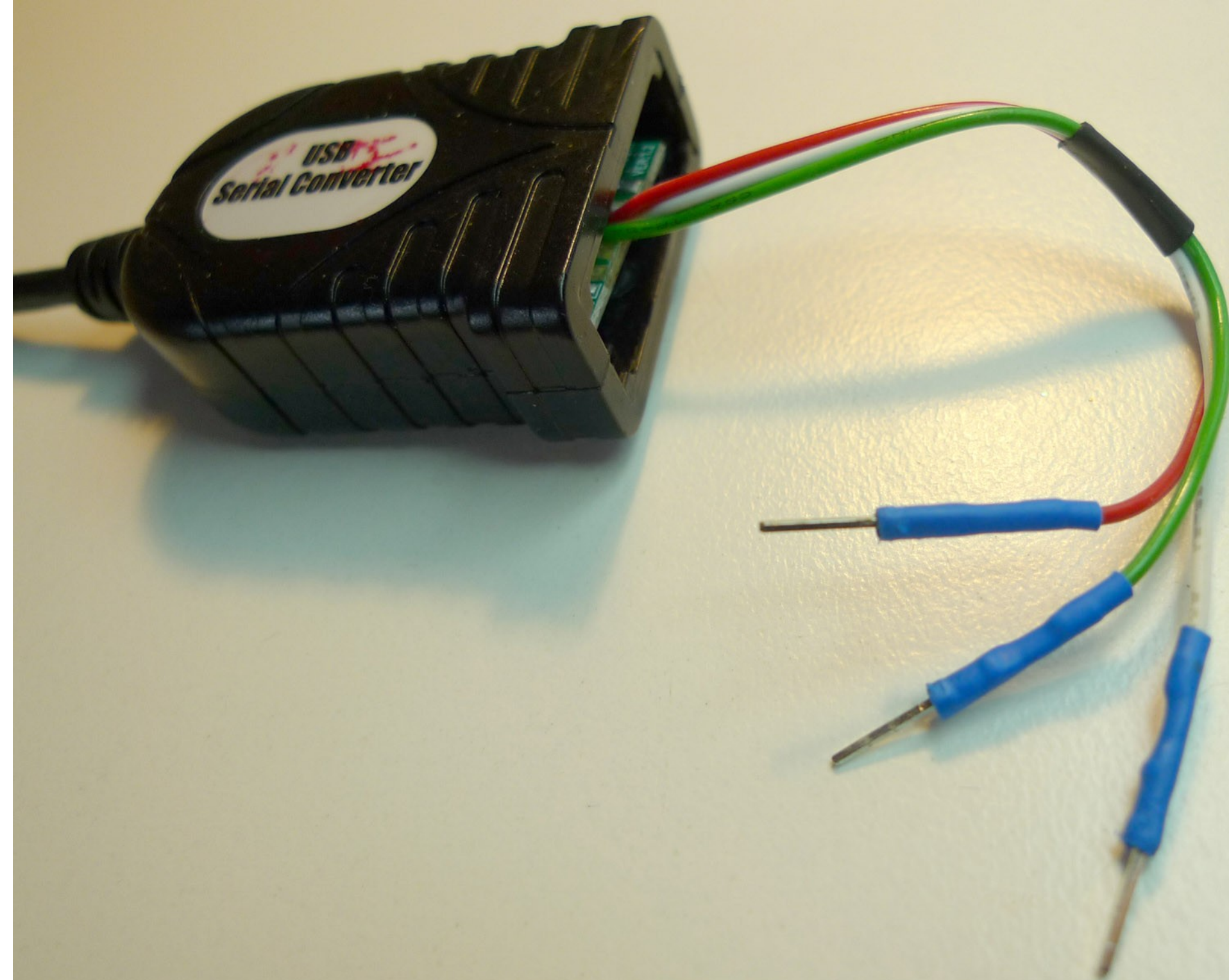
Acquire a 'logic level' serial-
USB cable

USB to TTL serial

TTL to RS232



USB
Serial Converter



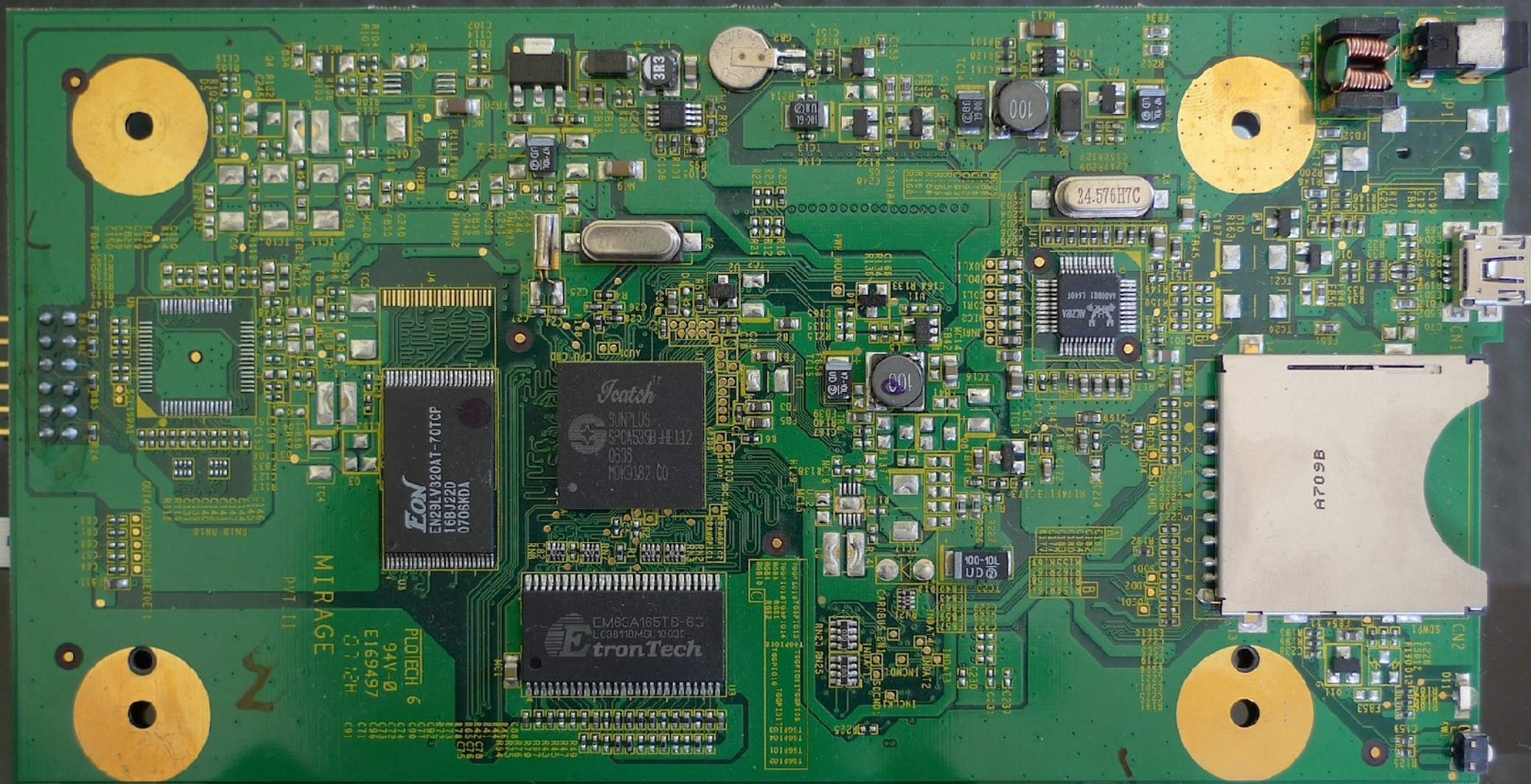
Other useful ports:

- JTAG
(PCB test, CPU debug)
- In-System Programming

Hacked device example

Twirly graphics for a bookshelf





EON
EN29LV320AT-70TCP
16GJ22D
0706NDA

Teatoh
SUNPLUS
SPC4533B #E112
0635
MOK9182.CO

EtronTech
EM63A165TS-63
LC98T10MGL10000

PLDTECH 6

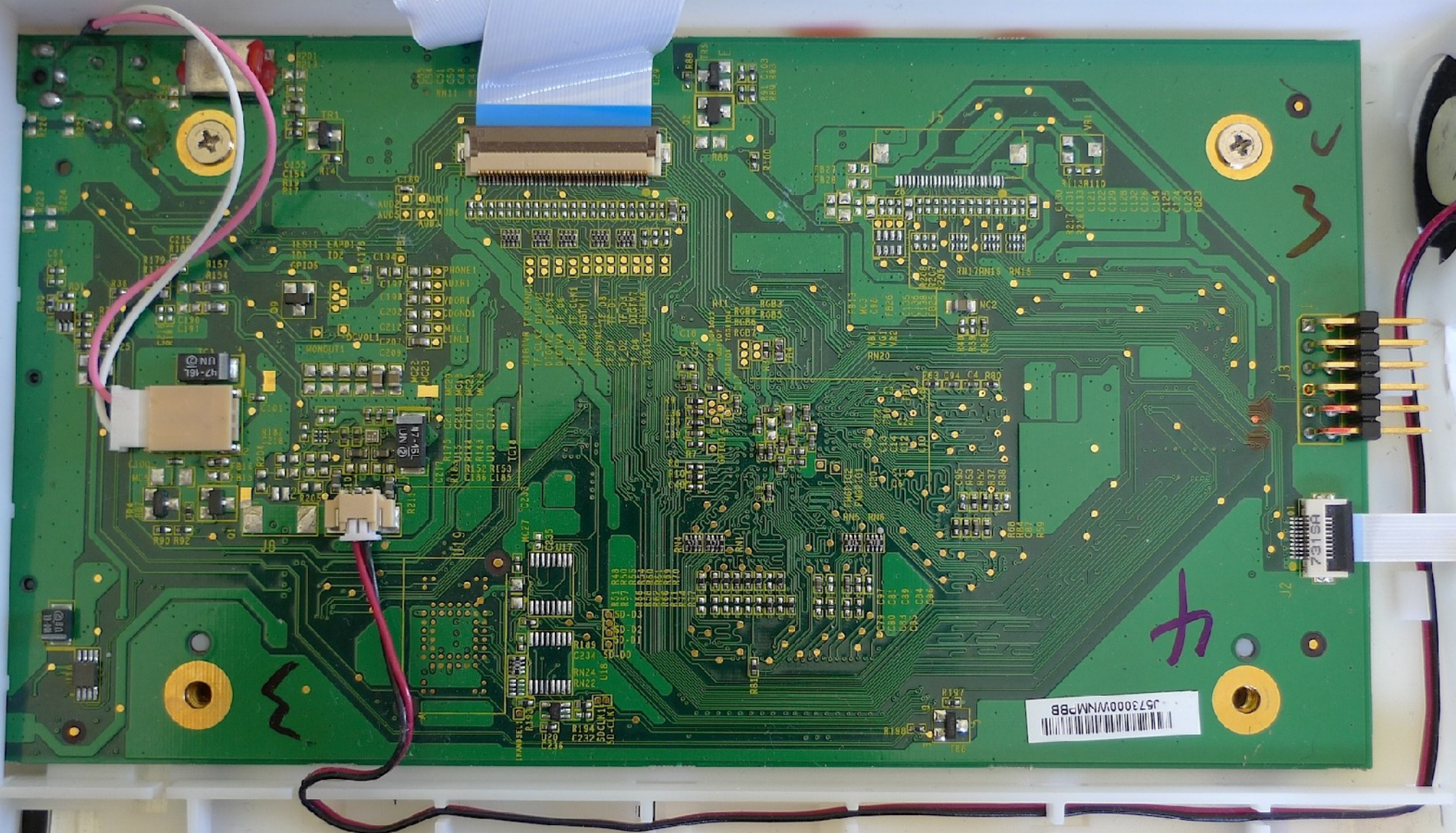
94V-0
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Q712H

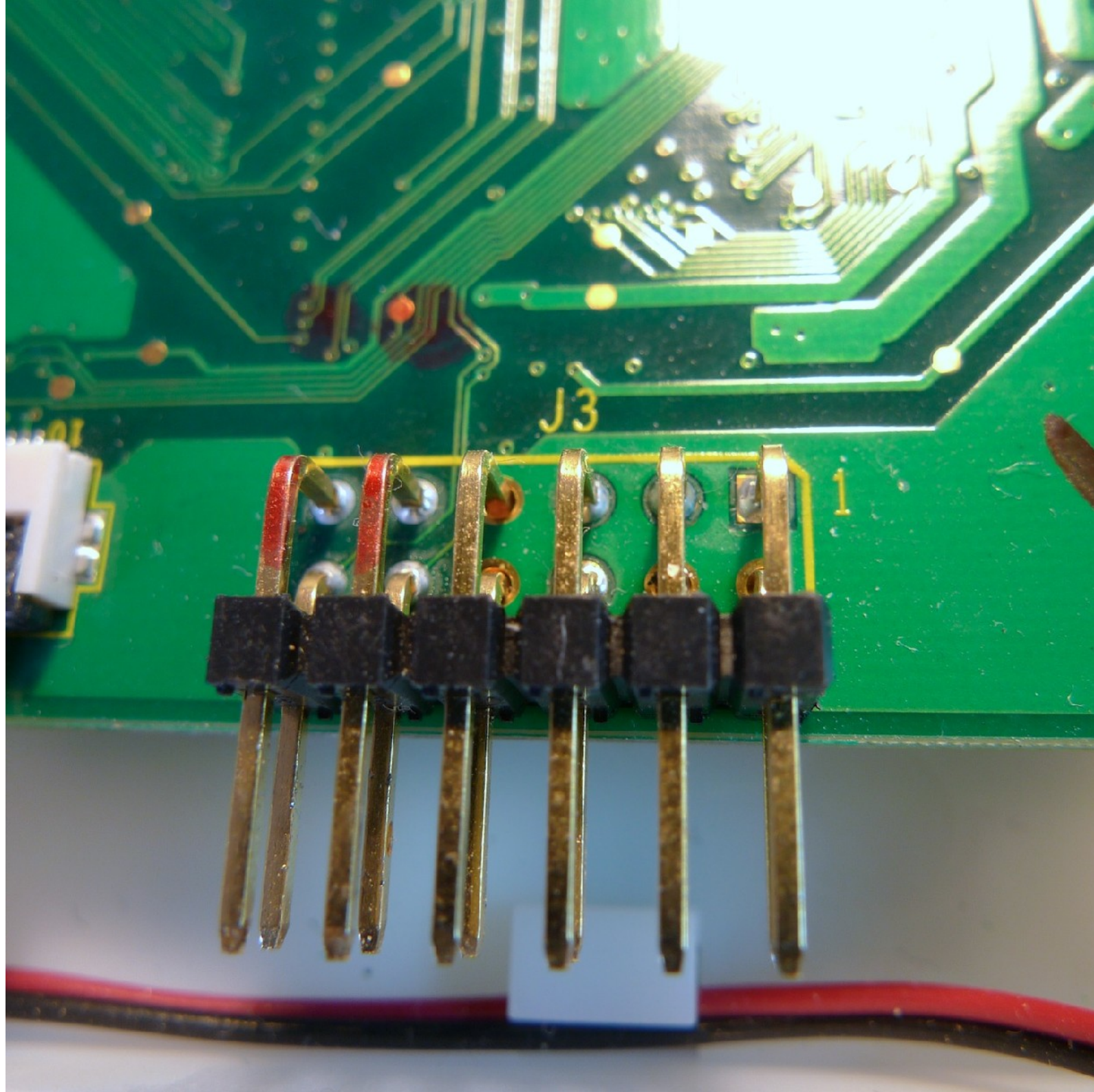
MIRAGE

PVT II

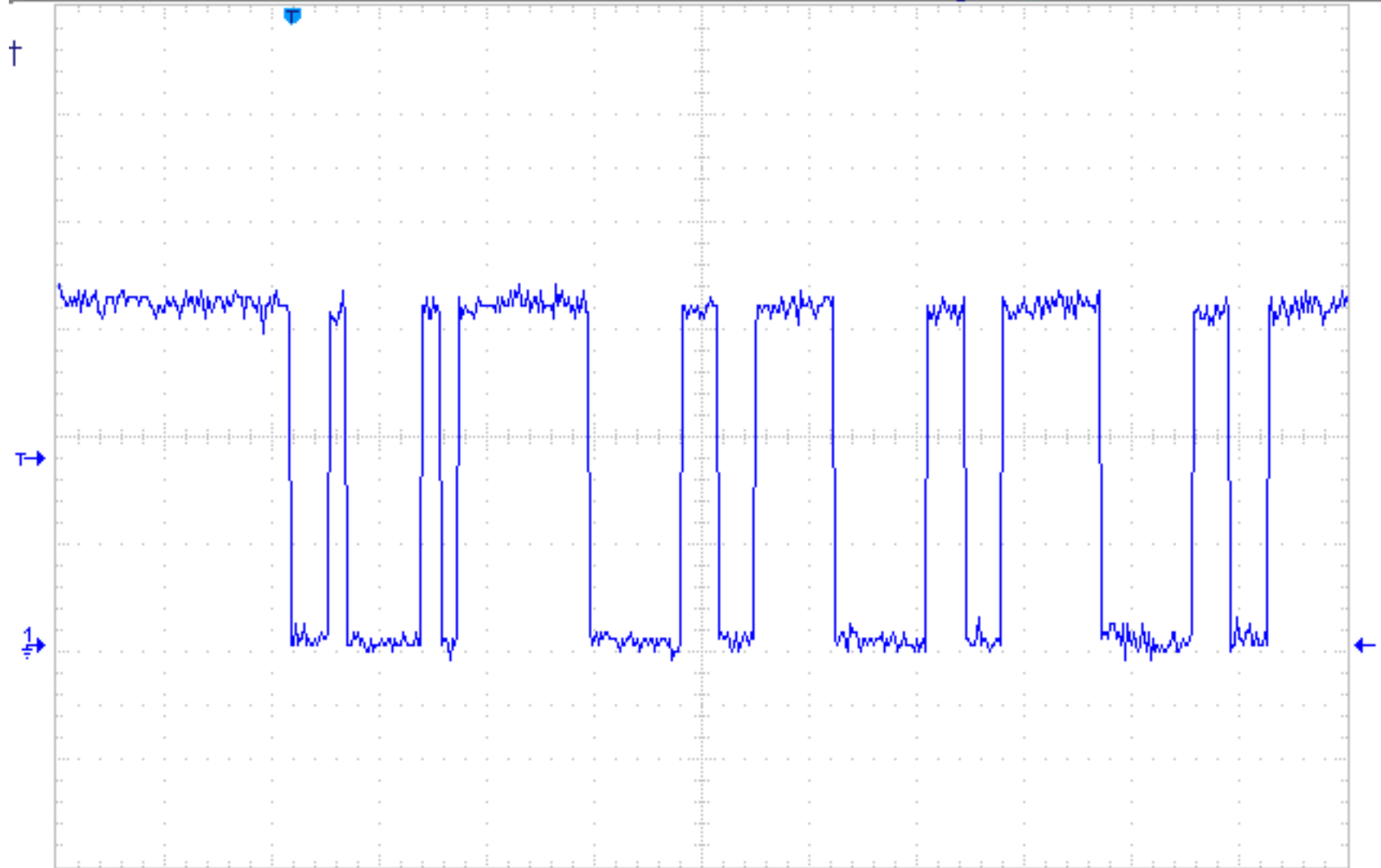
24.576MTC

A709B





1 1V/ 5MSa/s 50% STOP 1 1.81V



Save to
BMP

Save to
PPM

Save to
CSV

Save to
ASCII

Send
Measure

Destination
PC

```
=====
main() start
-----
Product Model: MIRAGE
Sensor Model:  MI2000
VER: 092_AYFF
2007/07/27      17:00
Rel by Axisoft
-----
DCF Dir Name:  AXH10
DCF File Name: FILE
=====
```

```
#####Check RTC Date#####
[Main::Last EPC=0x0]
```

```
[Main::irqInit() Done]
[Main::osInit() Done]
[Main::uartInit() Done]
SPCA536 EVB V1.0
```

```
F/W compiled at 17:30:35, Jul 27 2007
```

cmd>help

abort

custom

do

help

ostsk

pbcrop

pblcdstart

read

snap

snapprv

snapyuv

ver

wmapause

wmastop

cd

del

dump

info

pan

pbdramplay

pbresize

res

snapdel

snapqt

speed

wmacontent

wmaplay

write

center

dir

fill

mkdir

pause

pblcdrestore

pbrot

rmdir

snaphance

snprgb

stillmemdisp

wmaffwd

wmaplayall

zoom

clip

disp

fmt

osmem

pb

pblcdrot

play

search

snapt

snapsize

thumb

wmainfo

wmarew

Why is there a useful CLI hidden inside a closed box?

- Firmware from common codebase
- Debug code left in
 - Rushed to market!

```
printf("fopen: out of mem\n");  
printf("[irqInit() Done]\n");
```

```
==[OnEnterAskHighMode End]==  
[hwPowerEnable(MODULE_JPEG)] in [src/axPhot  
[hwPowerEnable(MODULE_MPEG)] in [src/axPhot  
[hwPowerDisable(MODULE_CDSP)] in [src/axPhot  
==[OnEnterSlideMode End]==
```

```
cmd>
```

```
cmd>
```

```
cmd>read PF.BIN 0x8d420000
```

```
file size=76832 bytes
```

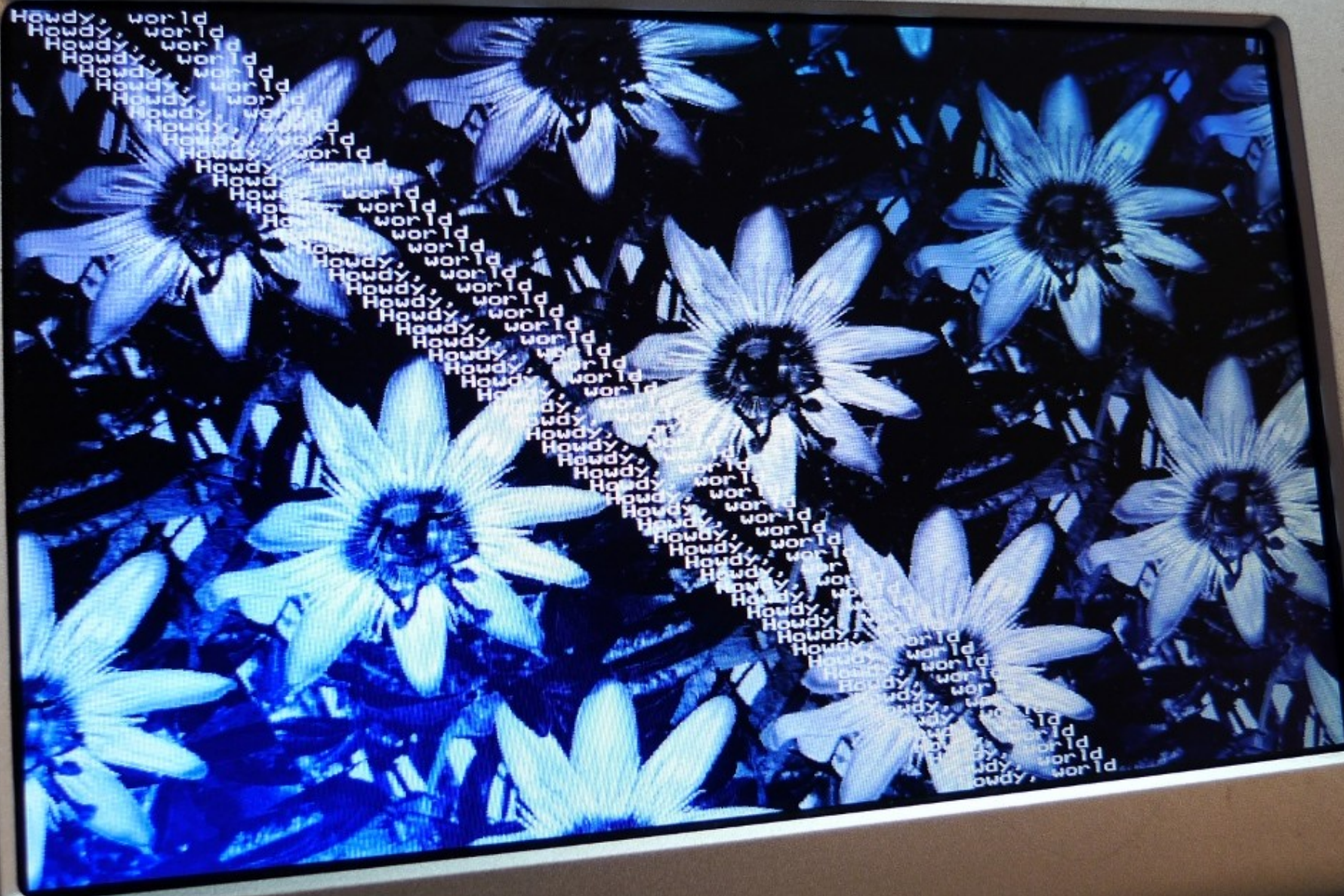
```
time difference=24040 us
```

```
cmd>do 0x8d420000
```

```
JMHowdy! sp is 8dffffb0
```

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-
```

```
20:44 51x160 16k 115200 N81
```



Hacked device example

Building bench equipment

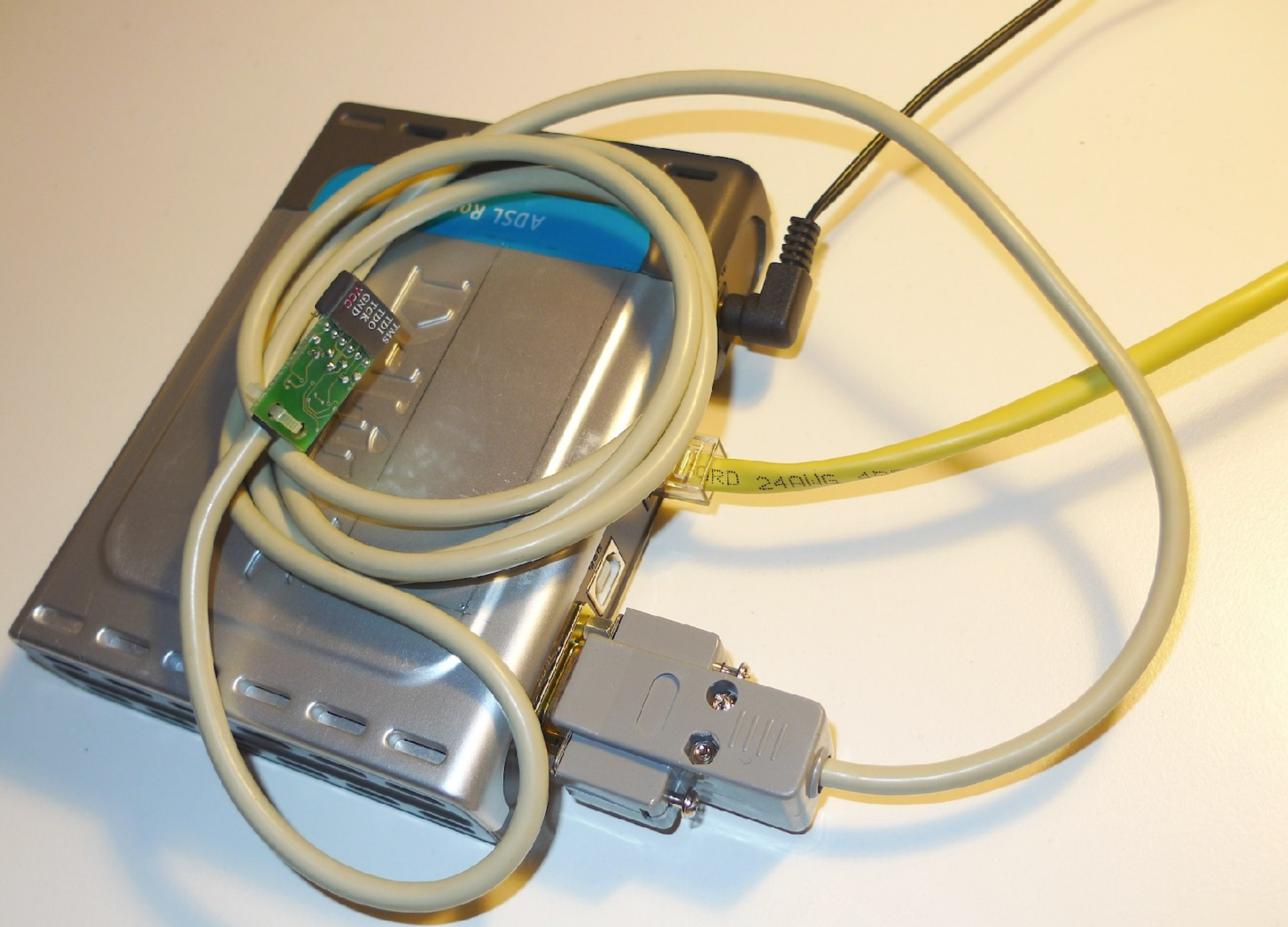


I <3 OpenWRT

Fun WiFi/ADSL box hacks:

- Espresso machine heater PID controller
- Streaming mp3 radios
- R/C cars with streaming video





041547615

- ☐ Annex A
- ☐ Annex B
- ☐ Modem
- ☐ Router
- ☐ Modem+USB
- ☐ Router+USB

1DSL502TAUAS

Pulse®
BX2479H.01
0634-C
CHINA

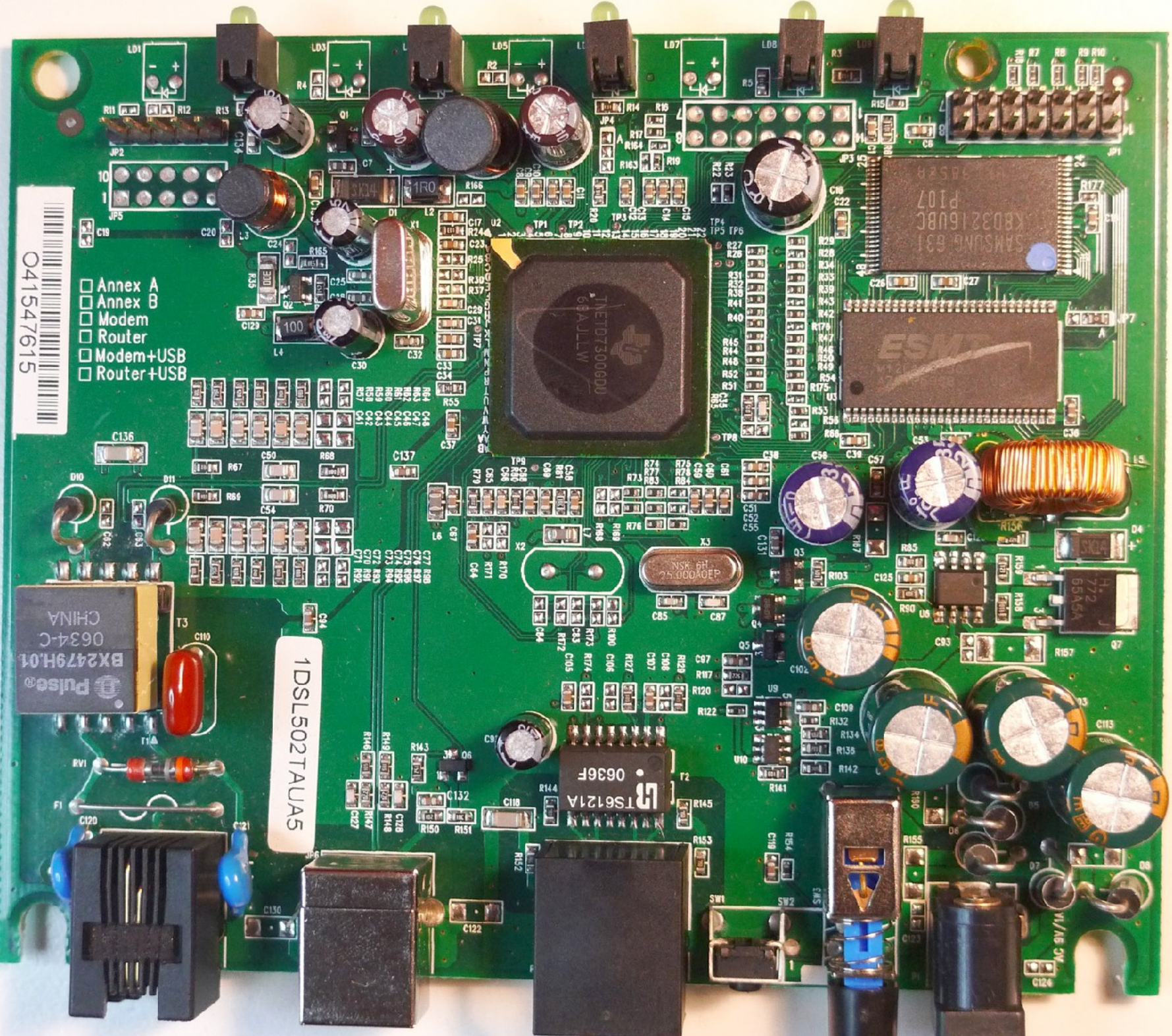
INTEL®
PENTIUM®
DUAL CORE
E6700

SAMSUNG
K8D3216UBC
P107

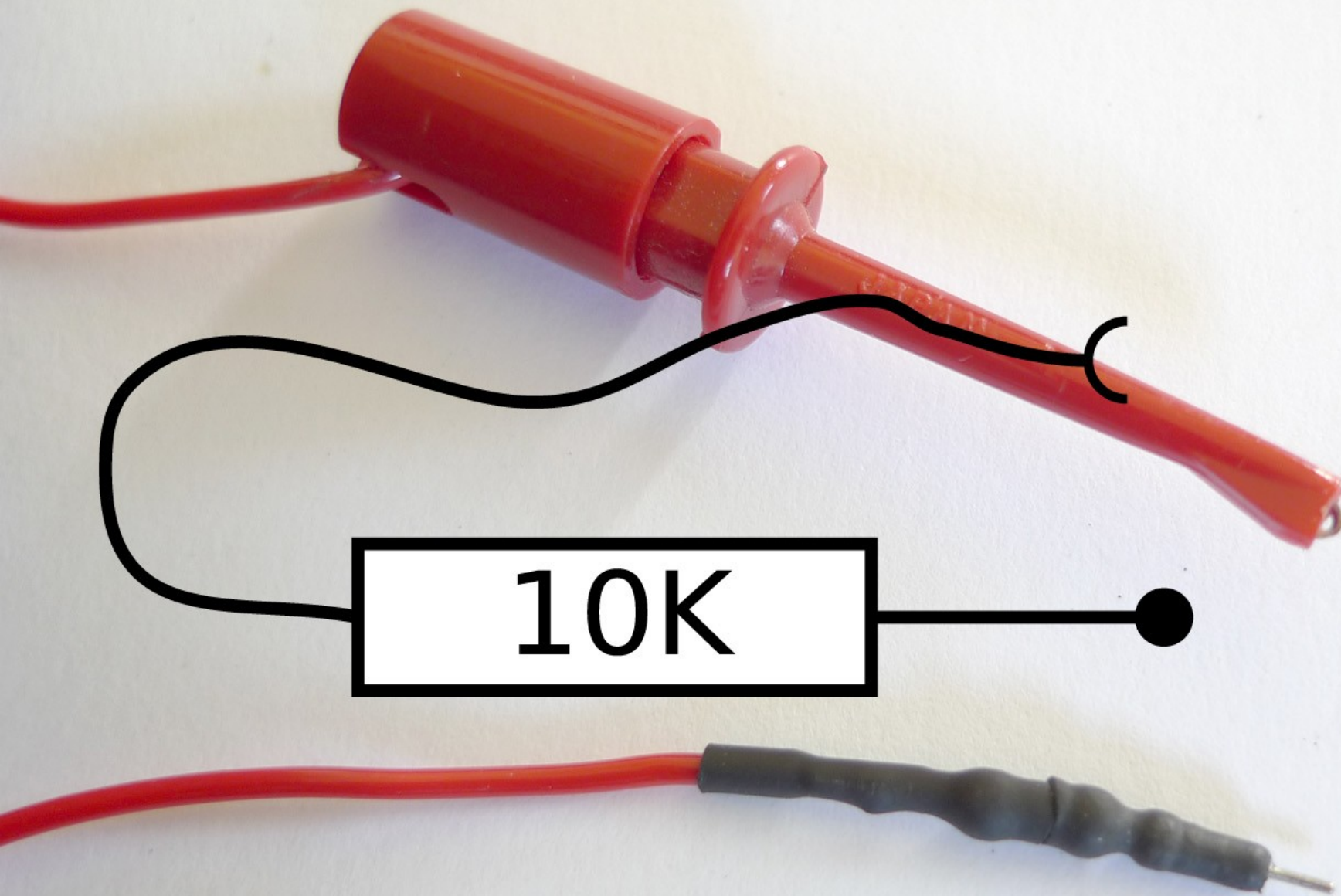
ESMT
V12.0

0636F
TS6121A

772
65A24



Mapping out GPIOs



10K

```
/* Page containing GPIO MMIO registers: */
unsigned int phys_addr = 0x08610000;

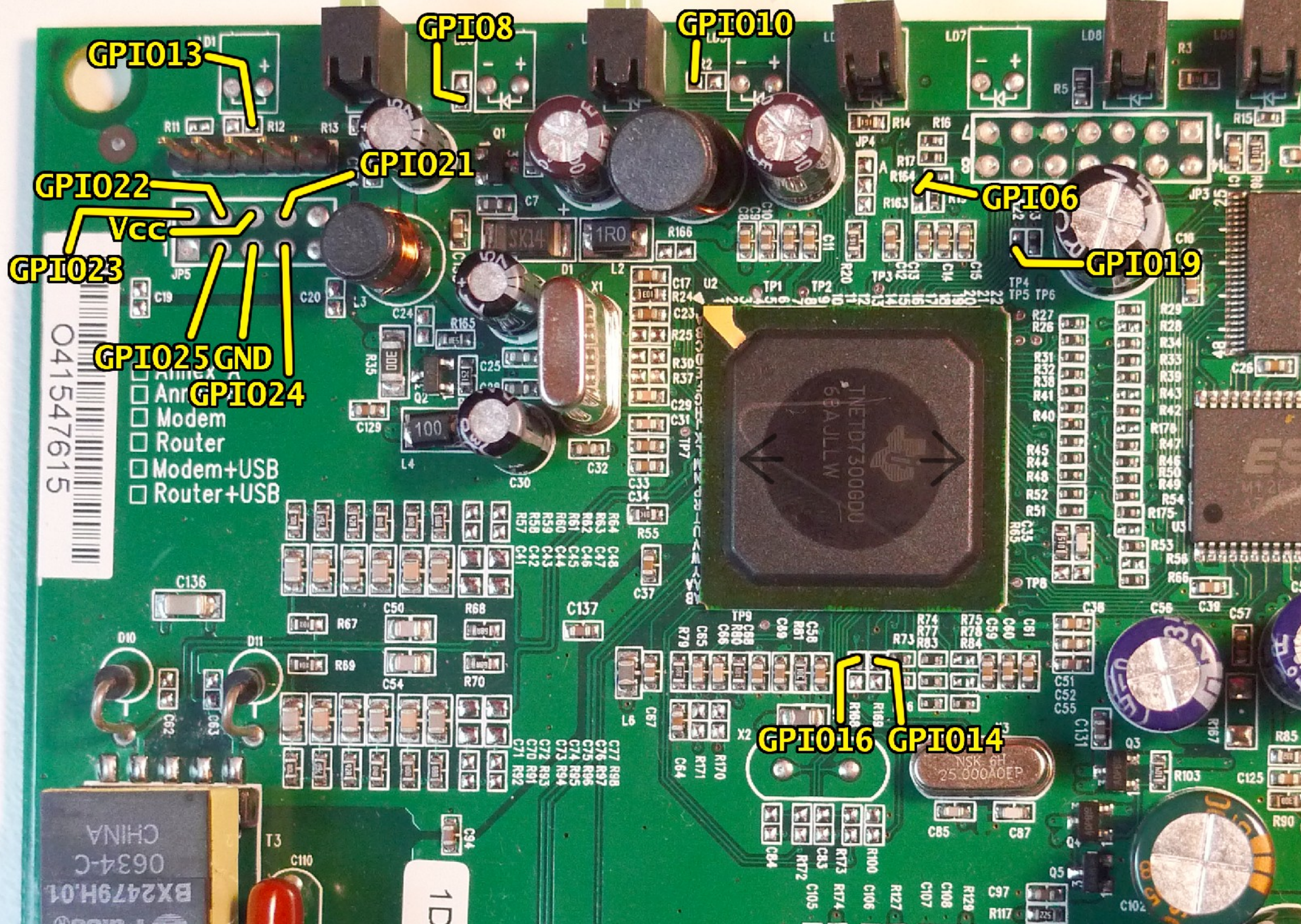
int main(void)
{
    int mfd;
    volatile unsigned int *vaddr;

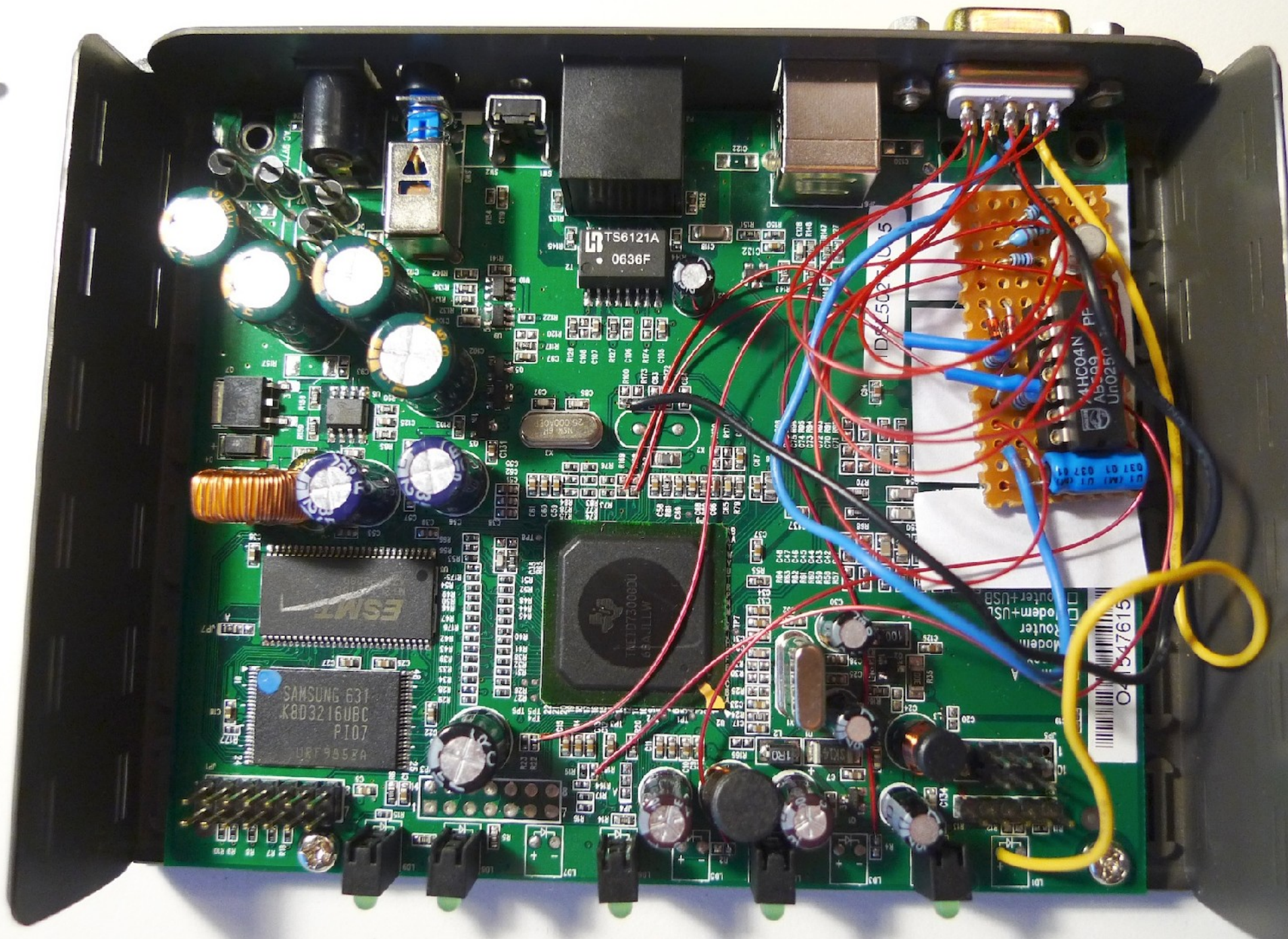
    mfd = open("/dev/mem", O_RDWR | O_SYNC);

    vaddr = mmap(0, 4096, PROT_READ | PROT_WRITE,
                  MAP_SHARED, mfd, phys_addr);

    vaddr[GPIO_DIRECTION] = 0xffffffff; /* All pins input */

    while (1) {
        /* Read 32 input pins */
        printf("%08x\n", vaddr[GPIO_INPUT]);
    }
    return 0;
}
```





Hacked device example

Happy cat

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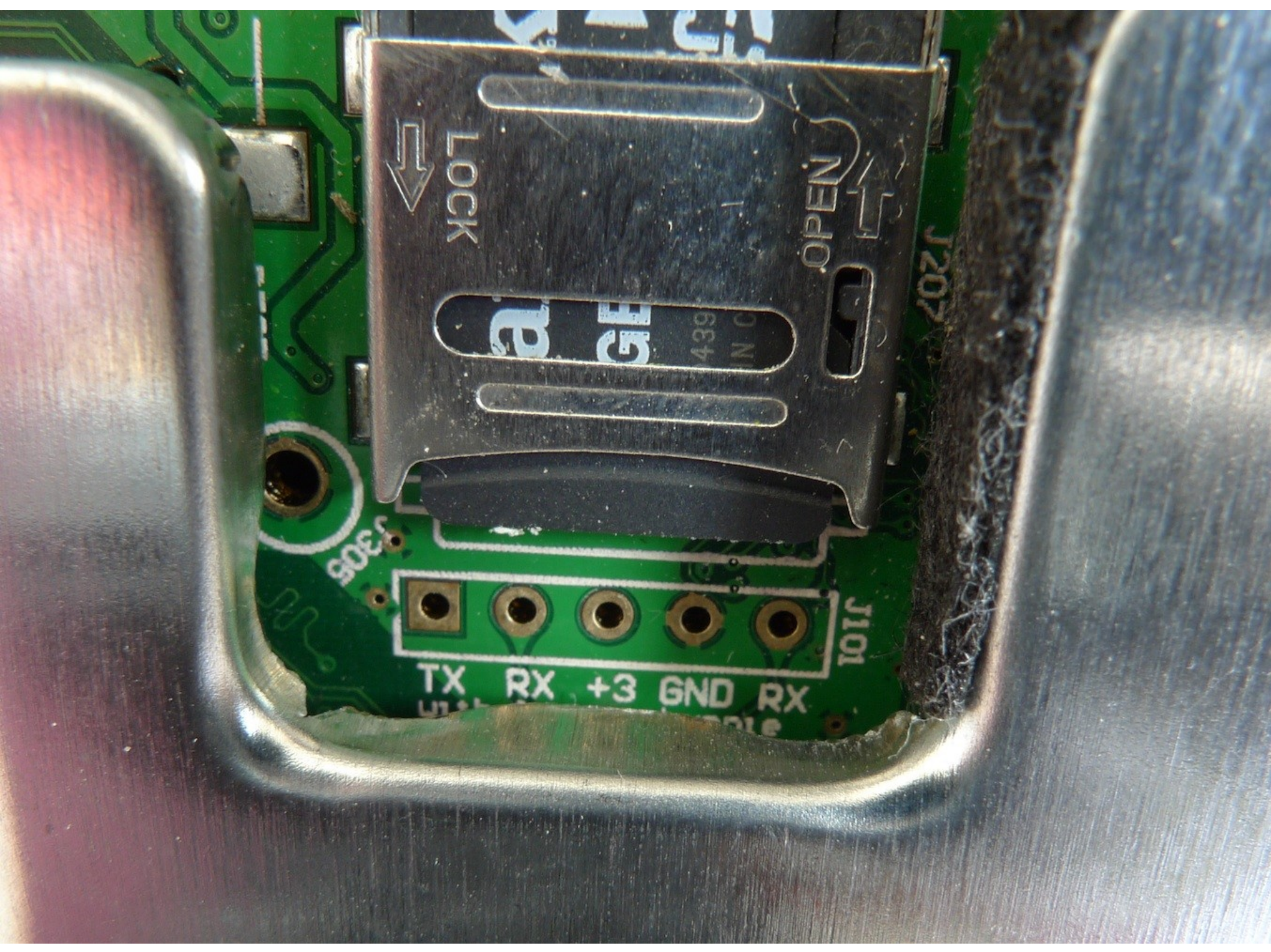
Open design:

- PCB
- Schematics
- Firmware

DEMO

Viewable at:
<http://youtu.be/azE5-3fAjUs>





a GE

439

IN C

LOCK

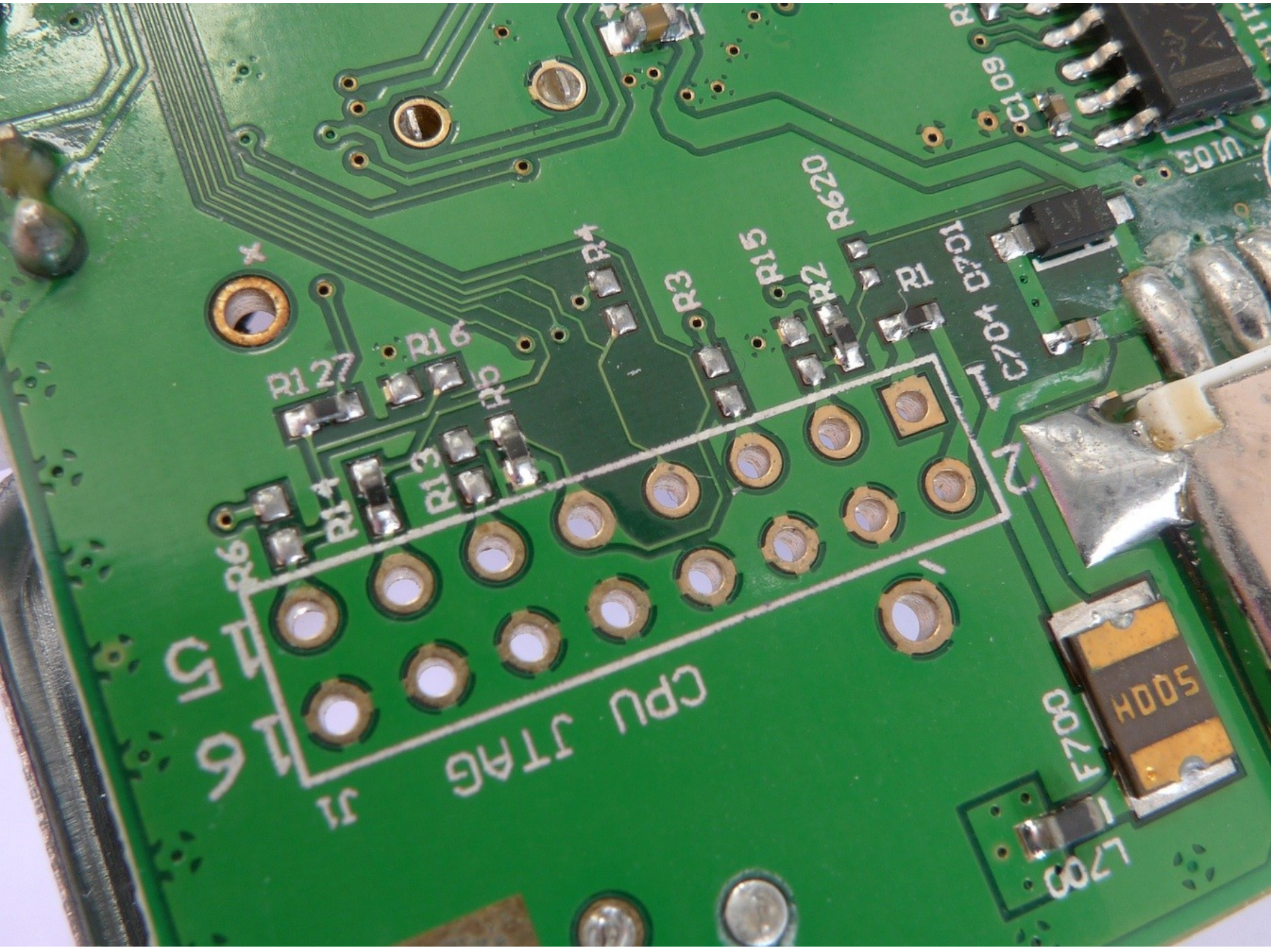
OPEN

J207

J101

TX RX +3 GND RX

506



R47

03

GND

GP49

GP55

3.3V

50 mA

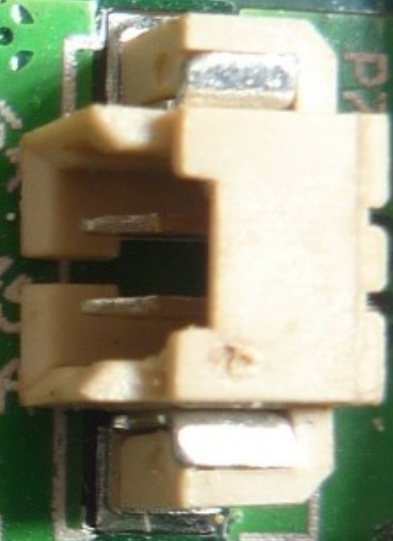
P700

GP5

GP

SDF

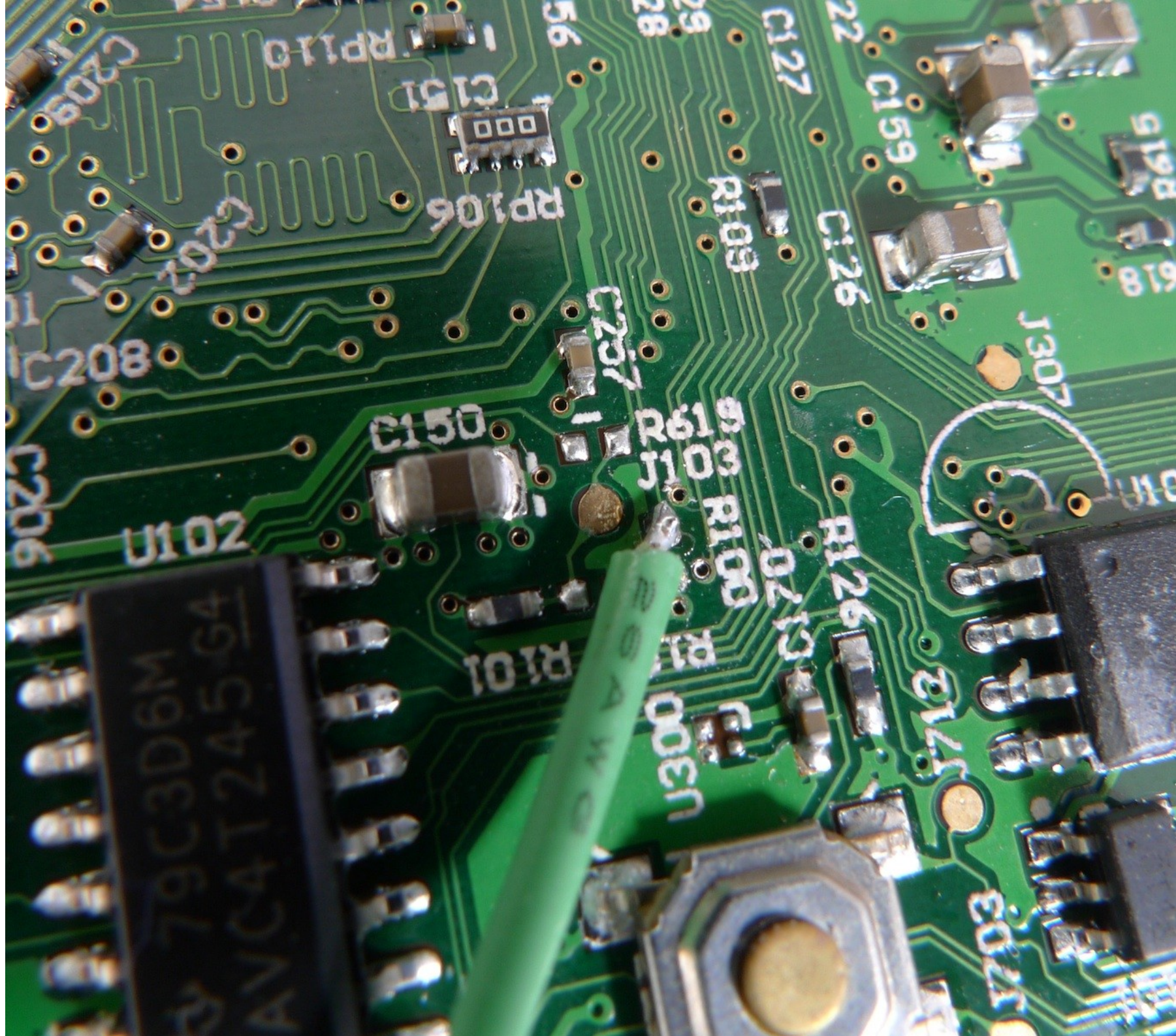
SCL



LOCK

OPEN





```
# Ugly pin multiplexer config, timer and PWM  
# init:
```

```
./poke 0xd401e208 0x4c42  
./poke 0xd401500c 0x13  
./poke 0xd401a000 0x0  
./poke 0xd401a004 0x15  
./poke 0xd401a008 0x28f
```

```
# Turn servo to open position:
```

```
./poke 0xd401a004 0x40
```

```
# Turn servo to closed position:
```

```
./poke 0xd401a004 0x15
```

Other Examples



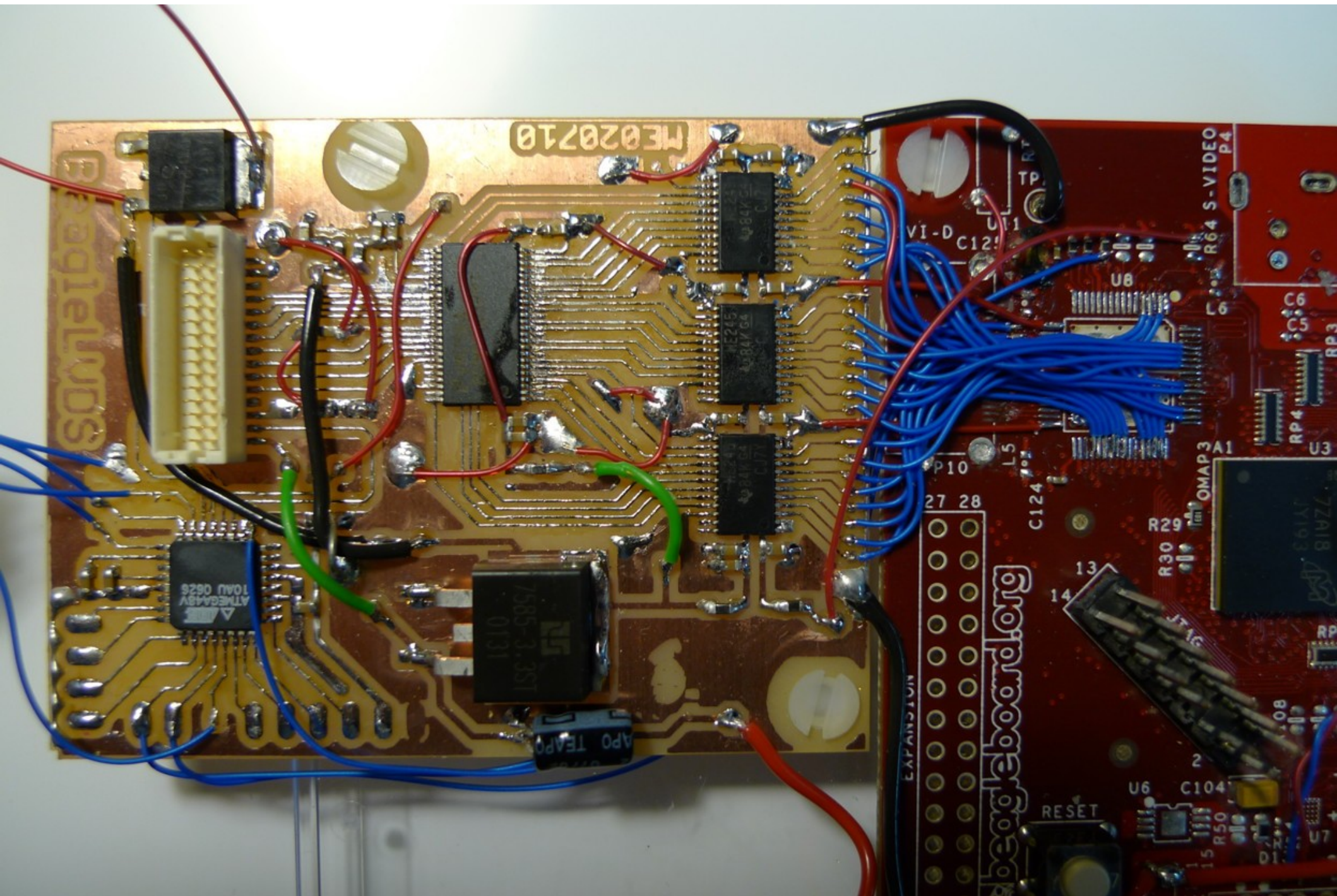
CAUTION
HIGH VOLTAGE
DO NOT TOUCH
INTERNAL PARTS
UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES
REPAIR OR SERVICE

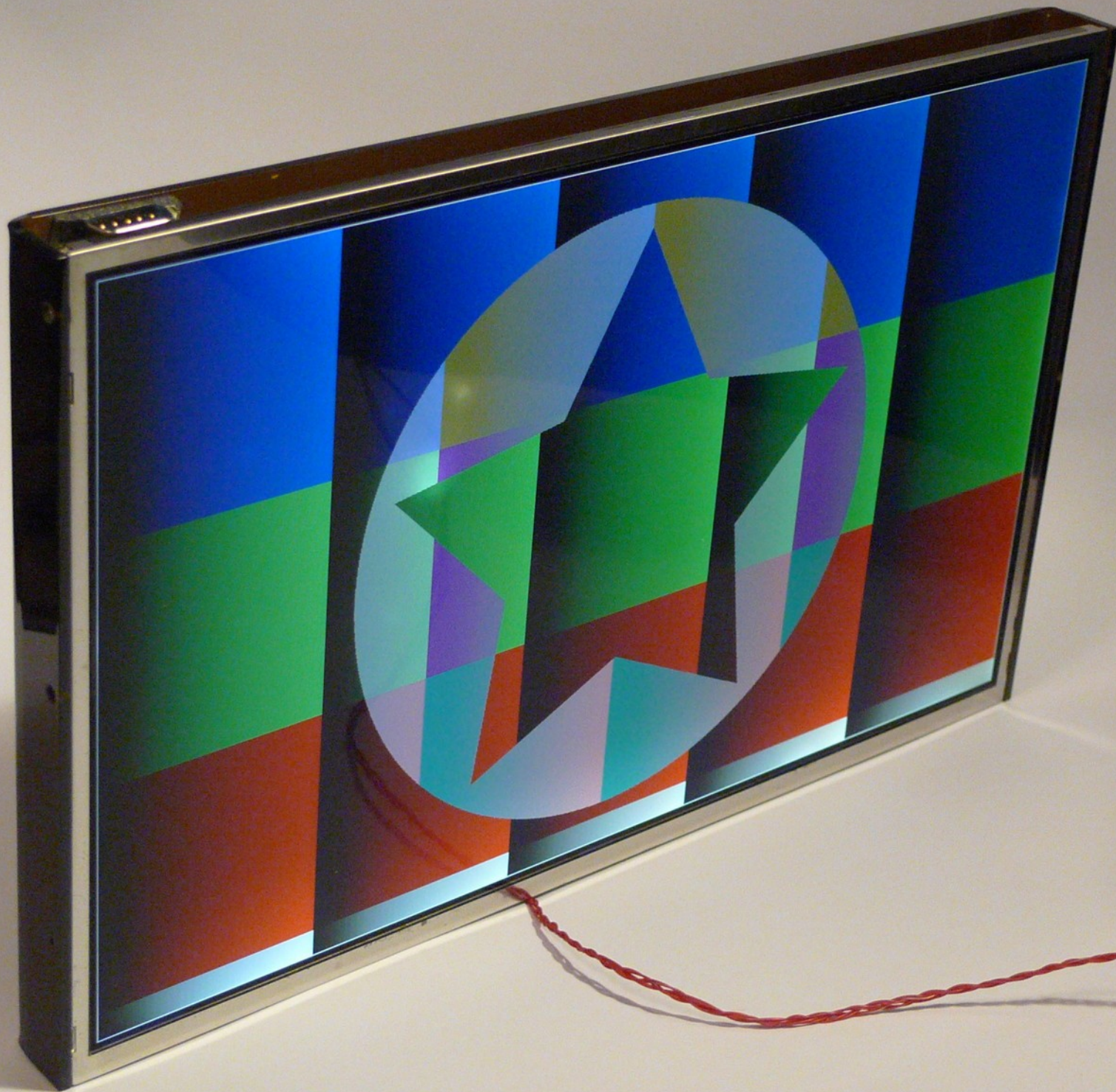
COLD CATHODE FLUORESCENT
TAKES A SMALL AMOUNT OF
LOCAL CATHODES OR REPAIR

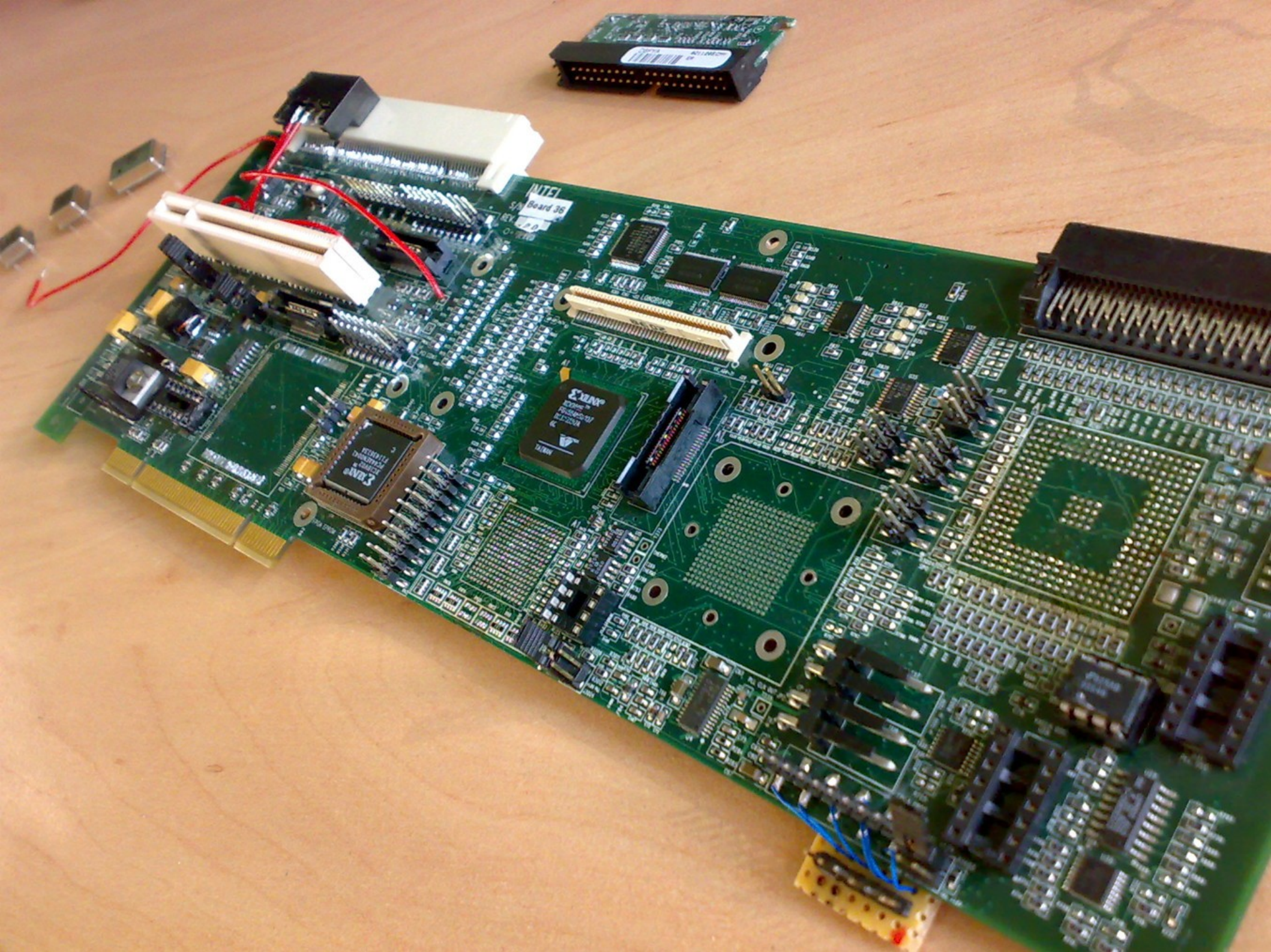
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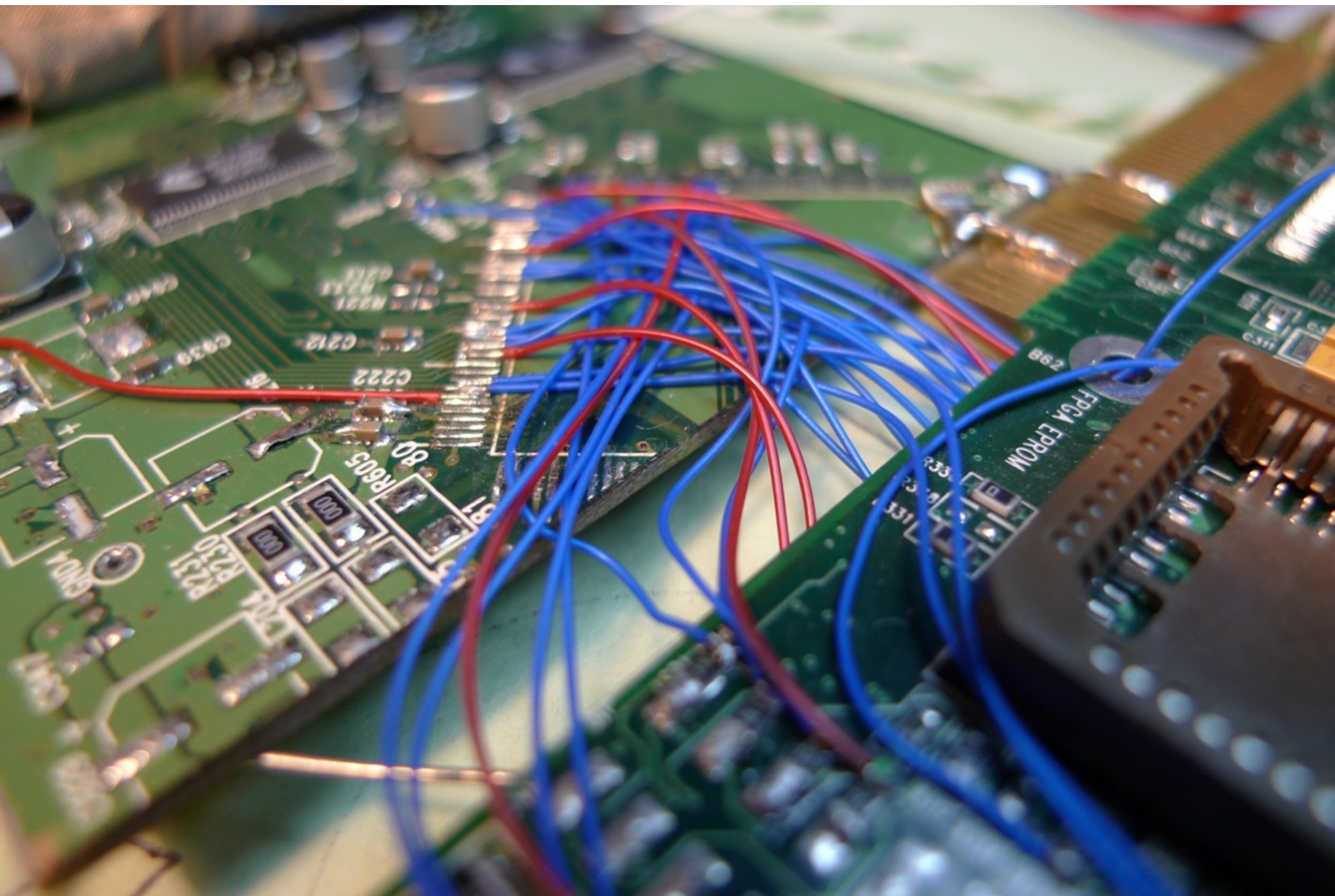
LTD133EX2X
Toshiba Matsushita Display Technology Co., Ltd.
MADE IN JAPAN
CAC4H004735
147808411 117

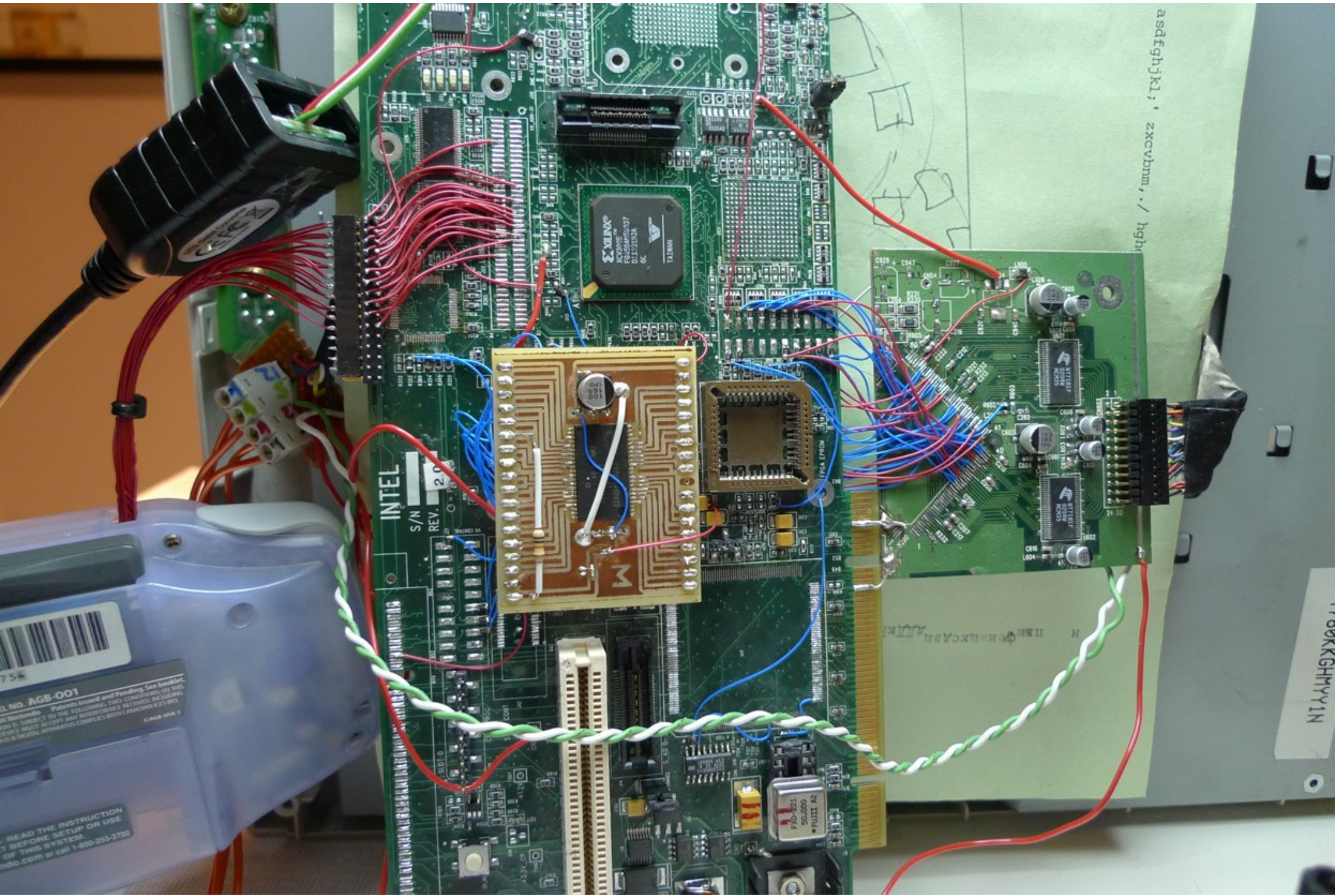
crucial
128 MB
MultiMediaCard









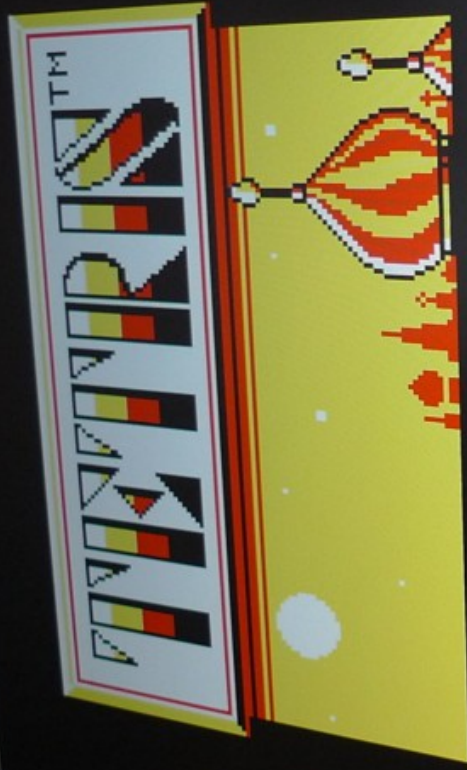


Intel
S/N
REV. 2.0

754
NO. AGB-001
READ THE INSTRUCTION
BEFORE SETUP OR USE
OF THIS SYSTEM
ing.com or call 1-800-255-3790

ASDFGHIJ, ' zxcvbnm, . / hg

1700K6GHYV1N



1 PLAYER 2 PLAYER
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Handwritten notes on a piece of paper in the foreground, including the number '20' and some illegible text.



Re-use hardware stuff!

- Don't just consume... re-consume :-)
- If you discover something cool, teach others and tell the world
- Collaborate at a local hackerspace

Merci – and questions?

<http://www.hackaday.com/>

<http://axio.ms/projects/>

<http://www.ifixit.com/Manifesto/>

<http://www.we-make-money-not-art.com/archives/2011/07/gambilogia.php>

<http://obaru.tumblr.com/post/3748881704/creating-a-linux-based-pid>