



Tools for Managing & Troubleshooting OSDP Deployments

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Why OSDP?



Why OSDP?

Because the current situation is like Vegas baby!

- Non-deterministic “protocols”
- High risk (known vulnerabilities)
- Time to say goodbye to legacy protocols

Why OSDP?

Secure communication

- Secure Channel: Encryption & authentication
- Supervision
- Meets Infosec requirements

Why OSDP?

Enhanced functionality

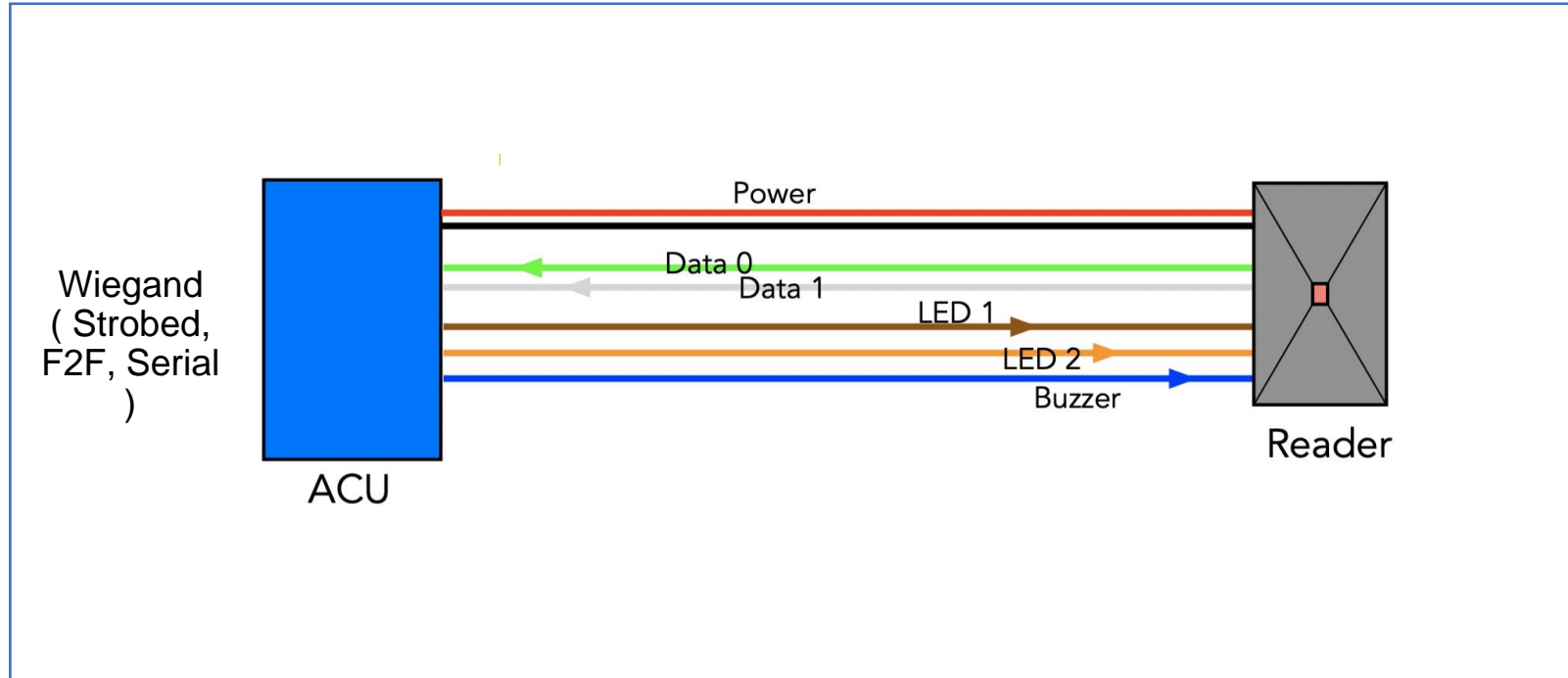
- Longer distances & multi-drop installations
- Larger data formats & higher baud rates
- Remote updates from panel

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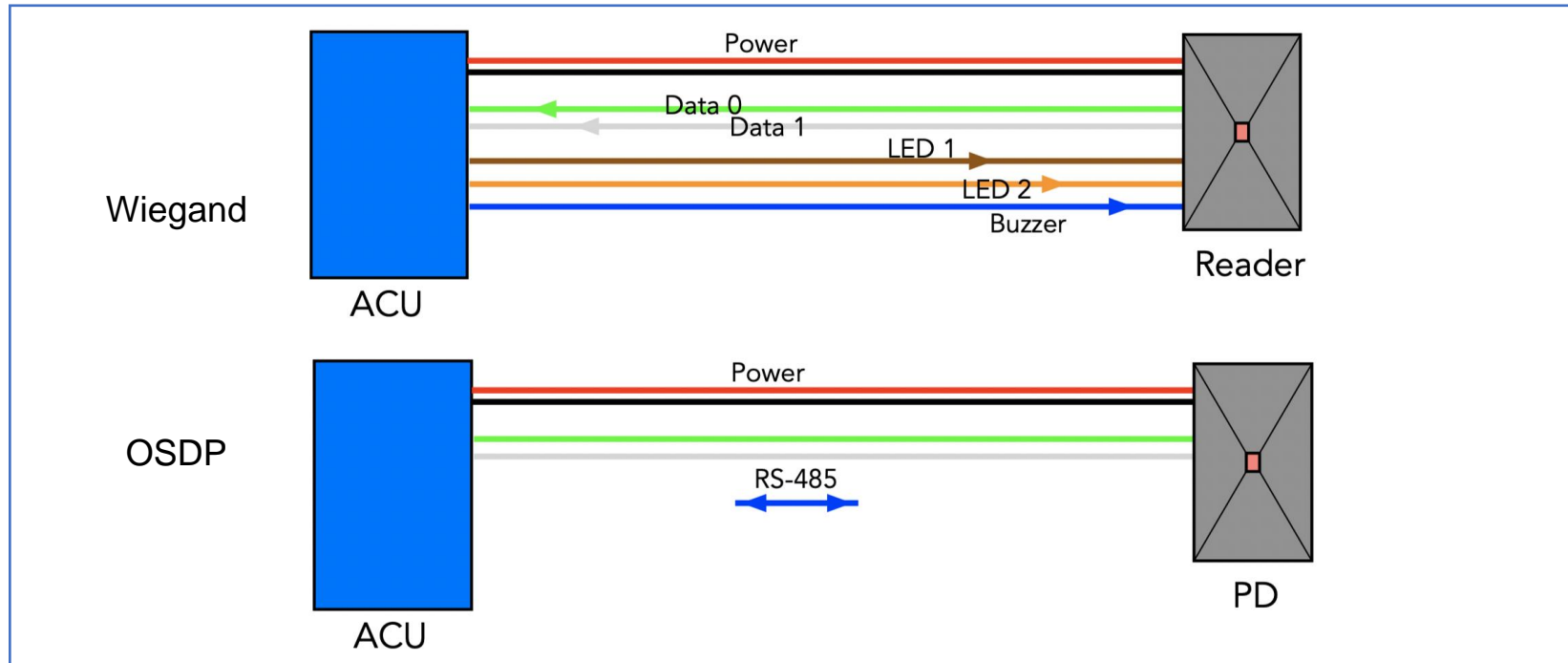
Improved interoperability

- Certified IEC industry standard since 2020 (IEC EC 60839-11-5)
- OSDP Verified program helps ensure interoperability
- SIA training courses
- PSIA's Public Key Open Credential specification now supports OSDP

Comparison of OSDP and Wiegand wiring



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Major differences

Simplex vs. Half Duplex

- Wiegand is one way unsupervised
- Wiegand functionality is done via discrete signaling wires
- Wiegand Vulnerability - no ability to secure the transmission
- OSDP is bidirectional, fully supervised
- OSDP functionality is done via commands / replies
- OSDP can be encrypted and authenticated
- Multi-Drop Topologies

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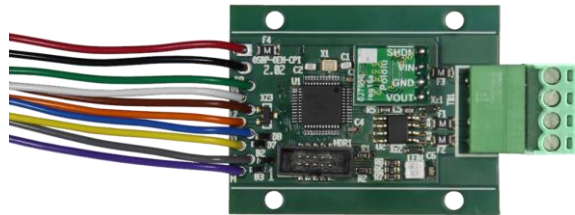
Industry impact

- Hot Dog Stand
- Fortune 500

OSDP systems

Full systems vs. retrofits

Wiegand



OSDP

OSDP systems

Retrofitting Wiegand system

- Install new OSDP devices in existing Wiegand systems
- Upgrade highest security areas with OSDP readers & converters
- Cost & time savings but restricted to 1-to-1 expansion

OSDP systems

Full OSDP systems

- Takes full advantage of OSDP
- Main system components all support OSDP
- For new construction or when budget / timeframe support replacement

OSDP components

OSDP panel (ACU) sourcing considerations

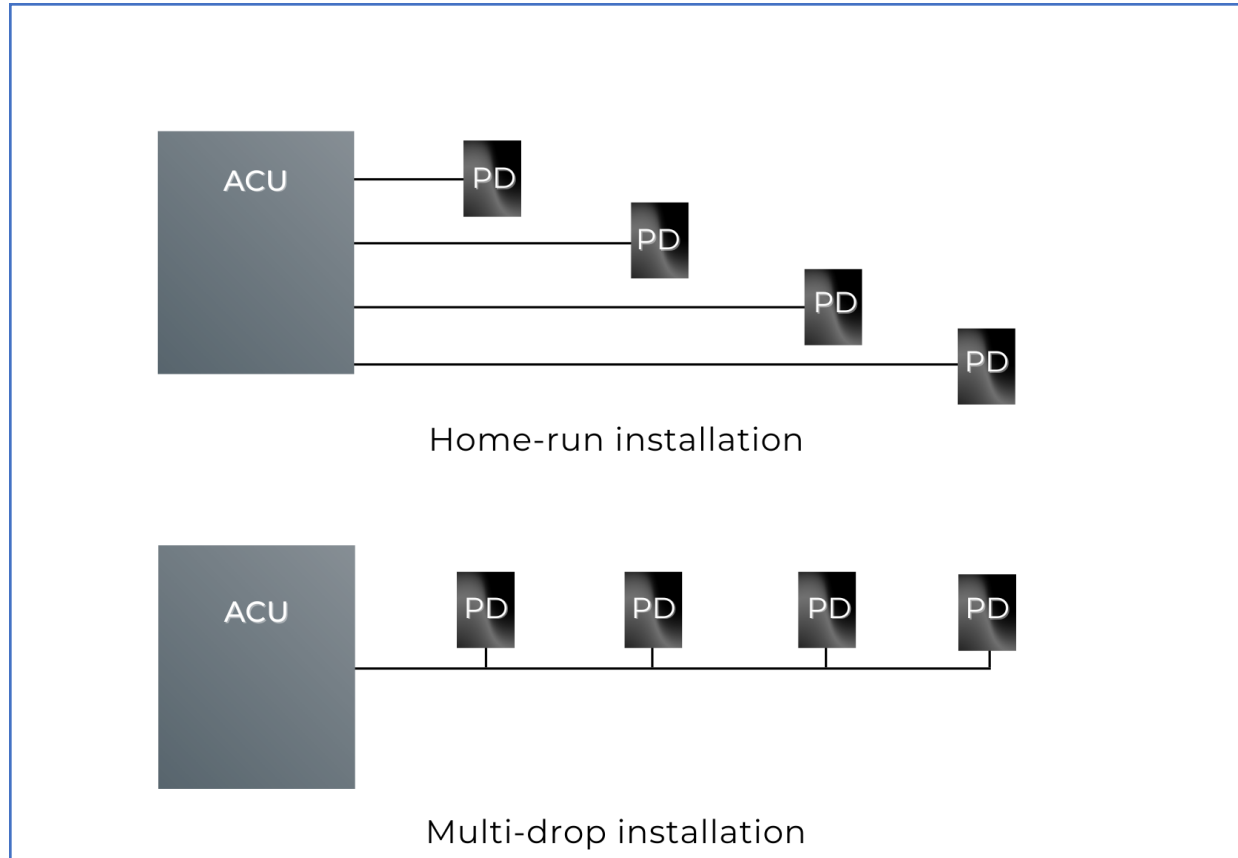
- Maximum number of OSDP devices on single port (generally 1, 2, 4, 8)
- How it supports I/O
- Range of baud rates supported
- Pairing mode for Secure Channel encryption
- Configuring controller to poll each reader (multi-drop)

OSDP components

OSDP reader (PD) sourcing consideration

- Default configuration
- Configuring address/baud rate for each reader
- Secure Channel key management
- Factory default process

OSDP components



OSDP best practices

Order of installation



OSDP best practices

“Dead or Alive” demo



OSDP best practices

Configuration

- Know your tool options: Built-in, controller, or third-party
- Preconfigure / test Secure Channel encryption key, device address, baud rate

OSDP best practices

Device address: Required step in OSDP (different from Wiegand!)

- Find default addresses of both reader & controller
- Plan device addresses
- Preconfigure and bench-test before installing

OSDP best practices

Baud rate (reader-panel communication speed)

- OSDP specification defines 6 rates; what does your device support?
- Lower rates better to start (example: 9600)
- Higher baud rate better for higher bandwidth needs (example: biometric)

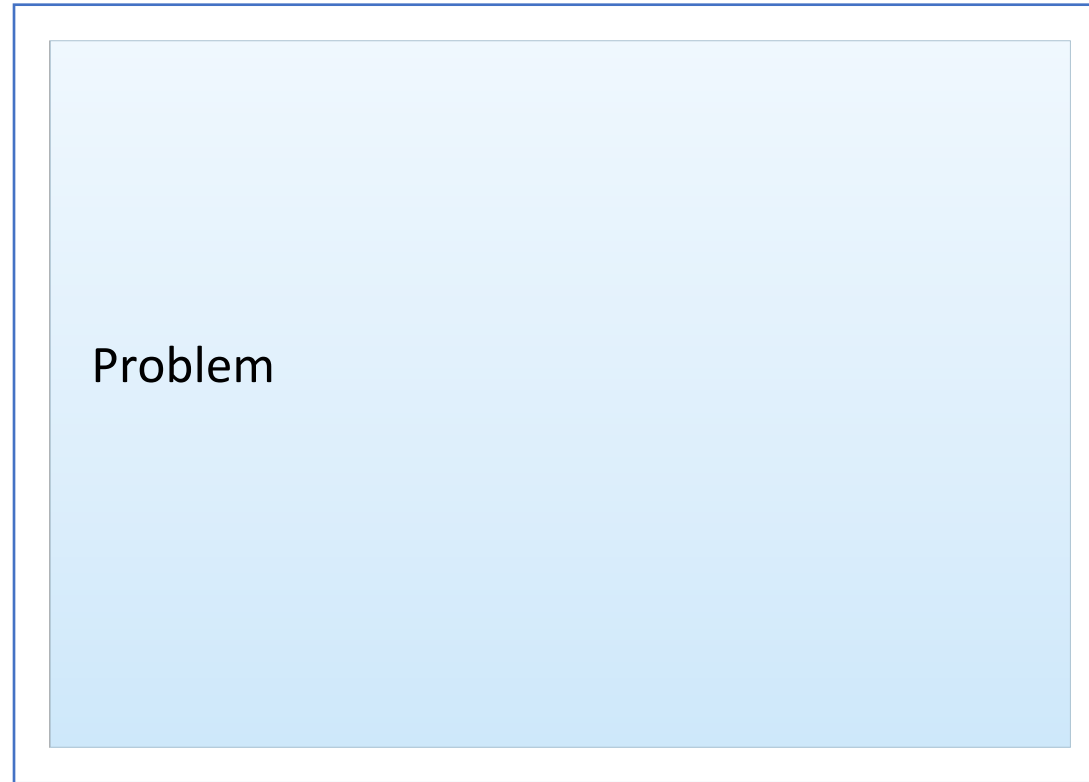
OSDP best practices

Secure Channel encryption: CRITICAL to enable on every OSDP reader

- Review manufacturer's and 3rd party options
- Always set up 'out of band'
- Key management

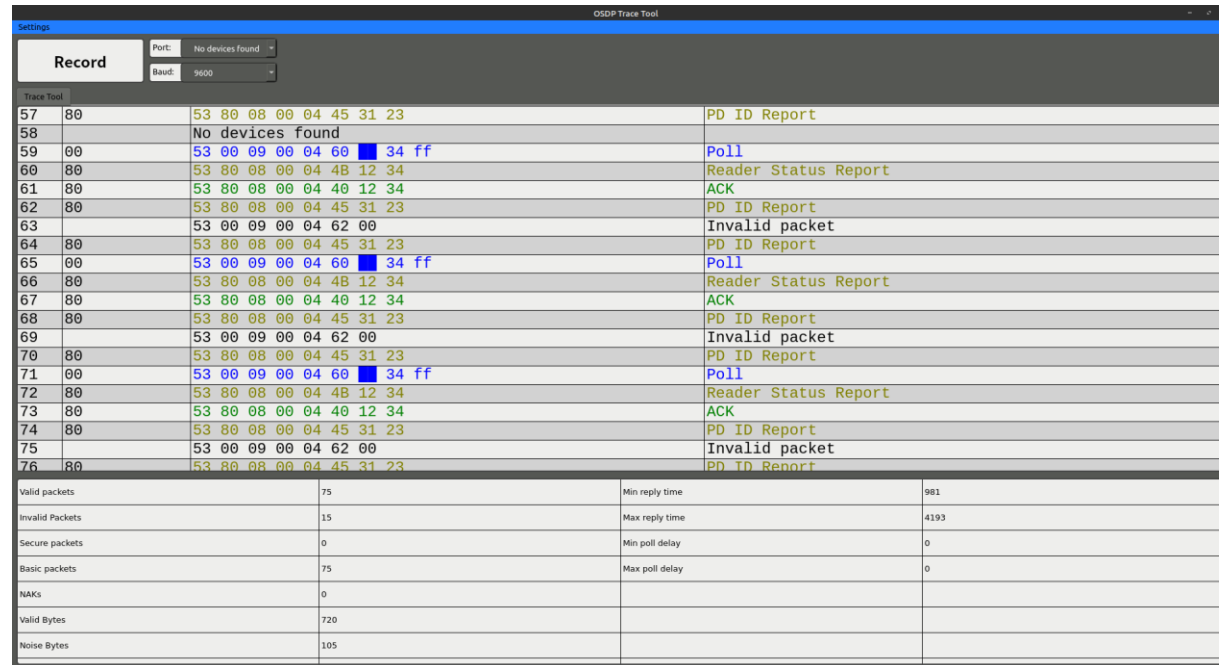
You can't fix what you can't see

- No instructions
- No measurements
- Lack of experience
- No built-in indicators
- Misinterpretation
- Incompatibility
- Improper configuration
- Improper Installation
- Edge case



Trace tools

- You have to see what the electrons are up to (is the reader communicating?)
- Built-In Tracing (PACS, ACU)
- OSDP Trace Tool
 - Export to common file
 - Send to the “experts”



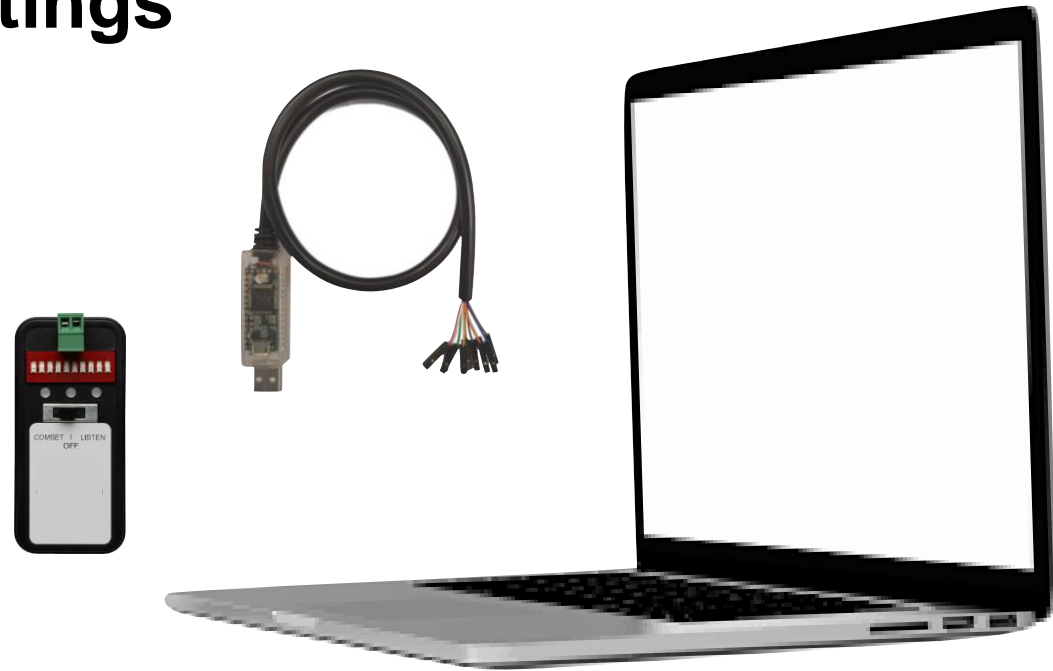
The screenshot shows the OSDP Trace Tool interface. At the top, there are settings for 'Port' (No devices found) and 'Baud' (9600). Below this is a 'Record' button. The main area displays a list of captured packets, each with a line number, a hex dump, and a description. The summary table at the bottom provides statistics on the captured data.

Line	Hex	Description
57	80	53 80 08 00 04 45 31 23
58		No devices found
59	00	53 00 09 00 04 60 34 ff
60	80	53 80 08 00 04 48 12 34
61	80	53 80 08 00 04 40 12 34
62	80	53 80 08 00 04 45 31 23
63		53 00 09 00 04 62 00
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73	80	53 80 08 00 04 40 12 34
74	80	53 80 08 00 04 45 31 23
75		53 00 09 00 04 62 00
76	80	53 80 08 00 04 45 31 23

Category	Count	Category	Count
Valid packets	75	Min reply time	961
Invalid Packets	15	Max reply time	4193
Secure packets	0	Min poll delay	0
Basic packets	75	Max poll delay	0
NAKs	0		
Valid Bytes	720		
Noise Bytes	105		

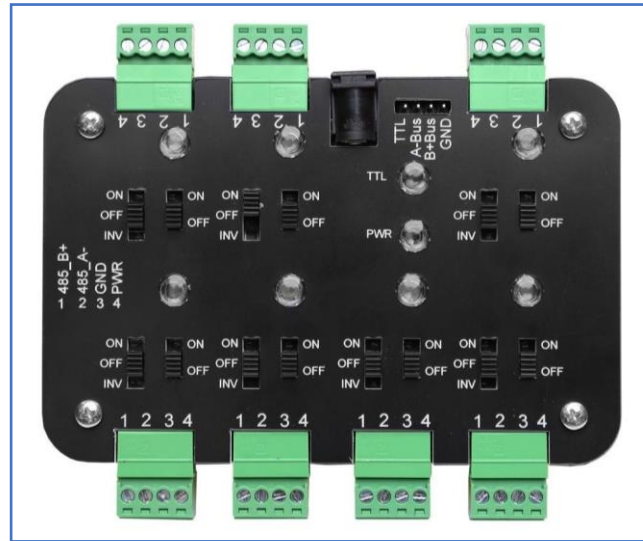
Communication parameter settings

- Built-In (PACS, ACU, PD)
- 3rd Part Tools
- Laptop and RS-485 Adaptor
- Smart phone with USB-C to RS-485
- Dedicated Configuration Tools
- Open source tools using Linux

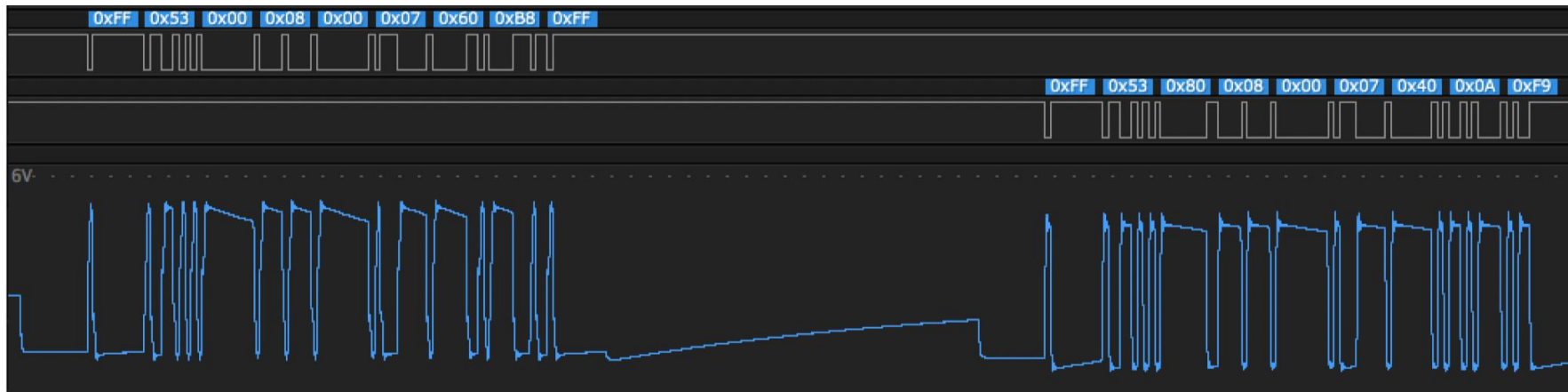
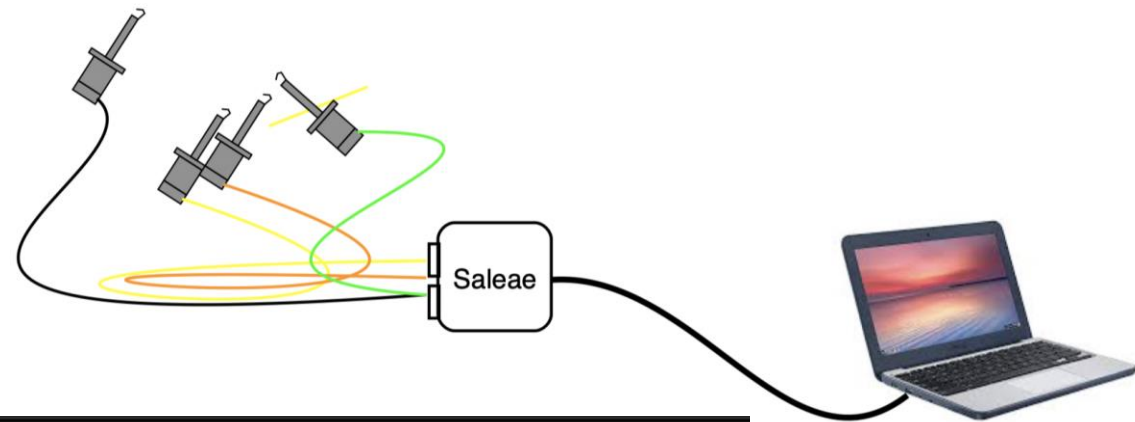


OSDP bench-testing tools

- Bench Testing
- Field Testing
- Development



Logic analyzer / Oscilloscope



Demonstration

- View OSDP communication using logic analyzer
- View OSDP communication using Trace Tool
- Set OSDP Communication Parameters using dedicated tool

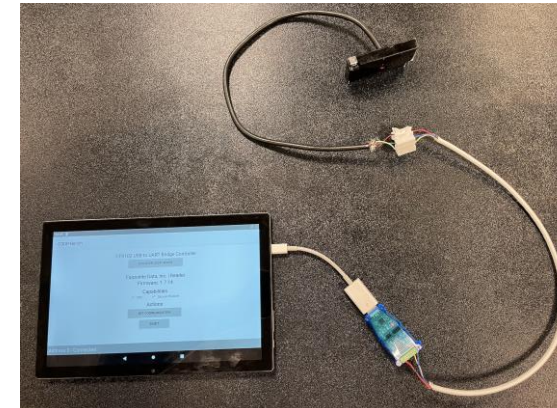
Vendors

- Access Control System suppliers
- Card Reader and Peripheral manufacturers
- Cypress Integration Solutions
- ID Machines
- Z-Bit (osdpworld.com)
- Open Source - git hub, libosdp-conformance, osdpcap format



RasPi Platform

OSDP Bench - Android



Last, but not least

Future developments

- Current Specification is v2.2.1
- Roadmap for Version 2.3 is in process

Enhancements for faster PIV

Behavior Profiles

Best Practices Guidelines

OSDP Verified Program

OSDP Boot Camp

Q & A

Thank You



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