

IRON-HID:

Create your own bad USB

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IRON-HID Project?

IRON-HID

II

Human Interface Device

for making your tools

Features

- **Custom device + firmware + test agent program + Android smartphone program**
- **Various types of system exploitable**
 - POS (Point-of-Sale), PC, Android, etc.
- **Lightweight embedded hardware-based**
 - “Arduino” and “Teensy”
- **Open-source project!**
 - <https://github.com/kkamagui/IRON-HID>

Arduino vs Teensy

Arduino



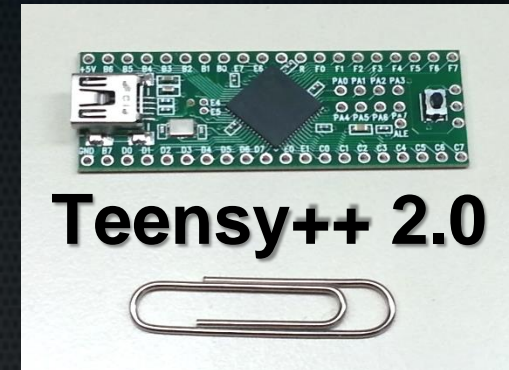
Arduino Mega

Larger
(Palm size)

256KB Flash
(ATmega16U2 + ATmega2560)

60 I/O Pins

Teensy



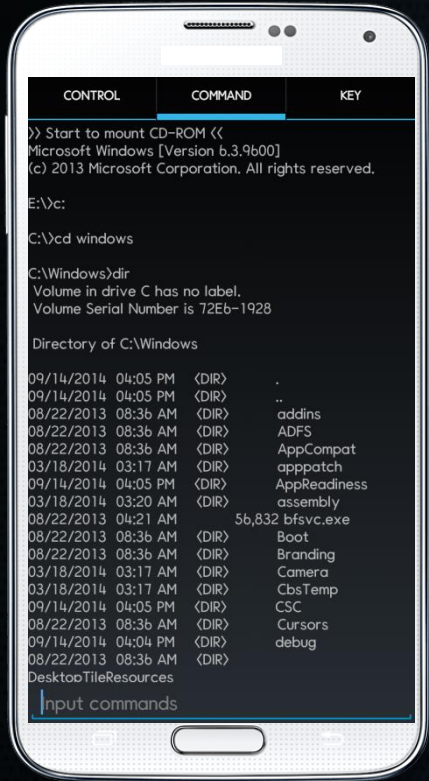
Smaller
(Paper-clip size)

128KB Flash
(AT90USB1286)

46 I/O Pins

Arduino Sketch IDE is available!

Commander



Wireless

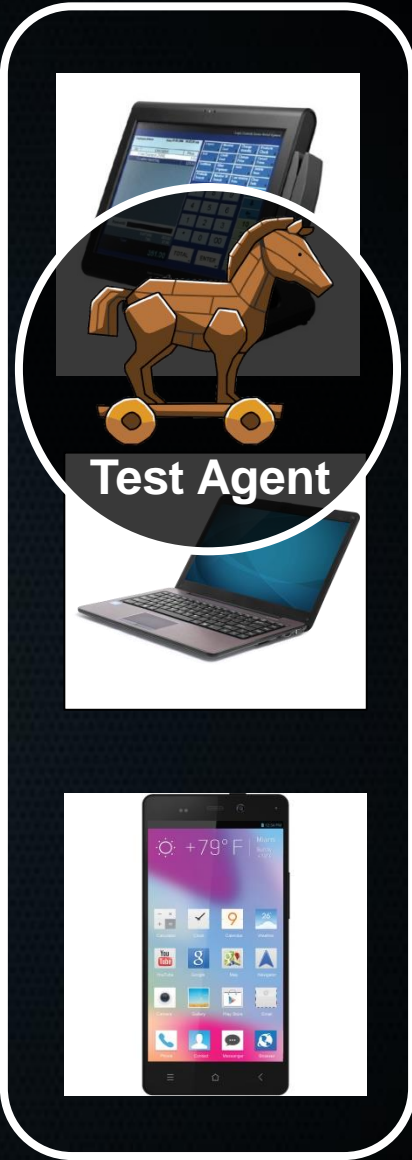


Proxy Device

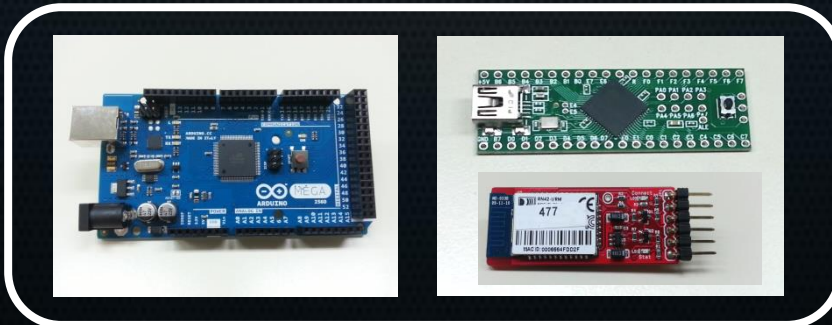


USB

Targets



Attach



Custom Device

Target POS systems, PCs, smartphones

Test agent (TA) program

Send commands and events
Install a test agent program



Receive results of commands
(Results of shell, screens, files)

Custom device

(in proxy devices)

IRON-HID firmware
(USB functions and a CD-ROM image)

Embedded hardware
(Low-powered hardware)

Wireless module
(WiFi, Bluetooth, Cellular, etc.)


Execute shell commands
Send keyboard events
Capture screens
Get files



Receive results of commands
Receive status of a proxy device

Security inspector' smartphone

IRON-HID commander program

 : IRON-HID component

IRON-HID Firmware

- Emulates **keyboard** and **mass-storage** device
 - It has one interrupt type endpoint for sending and logging keyboard events
 - It has two bulk type endpoints for installing the TA program
- Makes a custom **communication channel**
 - It has one control type endpoint for making a tunnel between the TA program and the Commander program

TA program and IRON-HID Commander

- **TA program processes requests of Commander**
 - Command Executions, Screen Captures, File Transfers
- **Commander is an interface of pen-testers**
 - It has control tab, command tab, key tab
 - Penetration tester uses each tab for testing security holes

Direction	Format	Description
Commander → TA program	C;<command>;	Commander requests that TA program executes a command and sends result to Commander
Commander → TA program	G;<filename>;	Commander requests that TA program sends a file to Commander
Commander → TA program	S;;	Commander requests that TA program captures a screenshot and sends it to Commander
TA program → Commander	F;;<64byte data>;	TA program sends results to Commander
Commander → Firmware	<Magic string 1>	Commander changes firmware's mode to command transfer mode
Commander → Firmware	<Magic string 2>	Commander changes firmware's mode to keyboard event mode
Commander → Firmware	<Magic string 3>	Commander requests that firmware installs TA program into host
Firmware → Commander	M;;<keyboard event>;	Firmware sends user's keyboard inputs to Commander
Firmware → Commander	D;;<debug message>;	Firmware sends debug messages to Commander

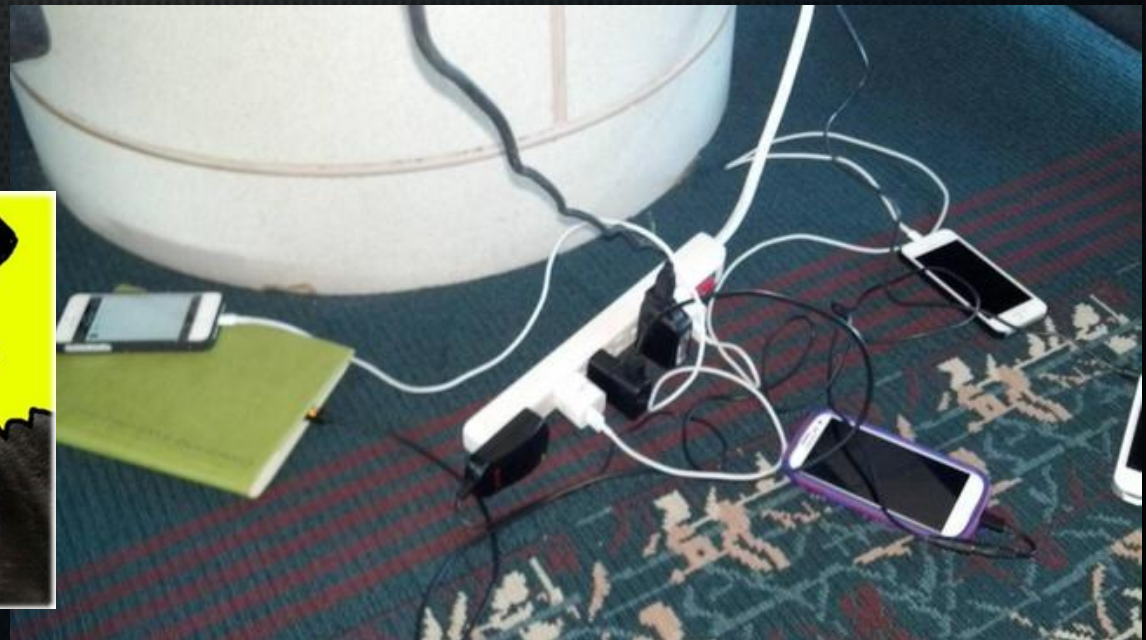
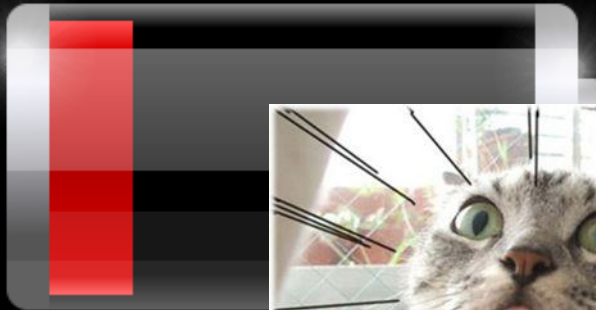
We are ready to launch!

Choose a target to

attach it

We want a portable charger

- **We use the smartphone everywhere!!**
 - We spend much time with the smartphone
 - But, it doesn't have enough battery
 - So, you should bring your charger or ...



So many portable chargers...



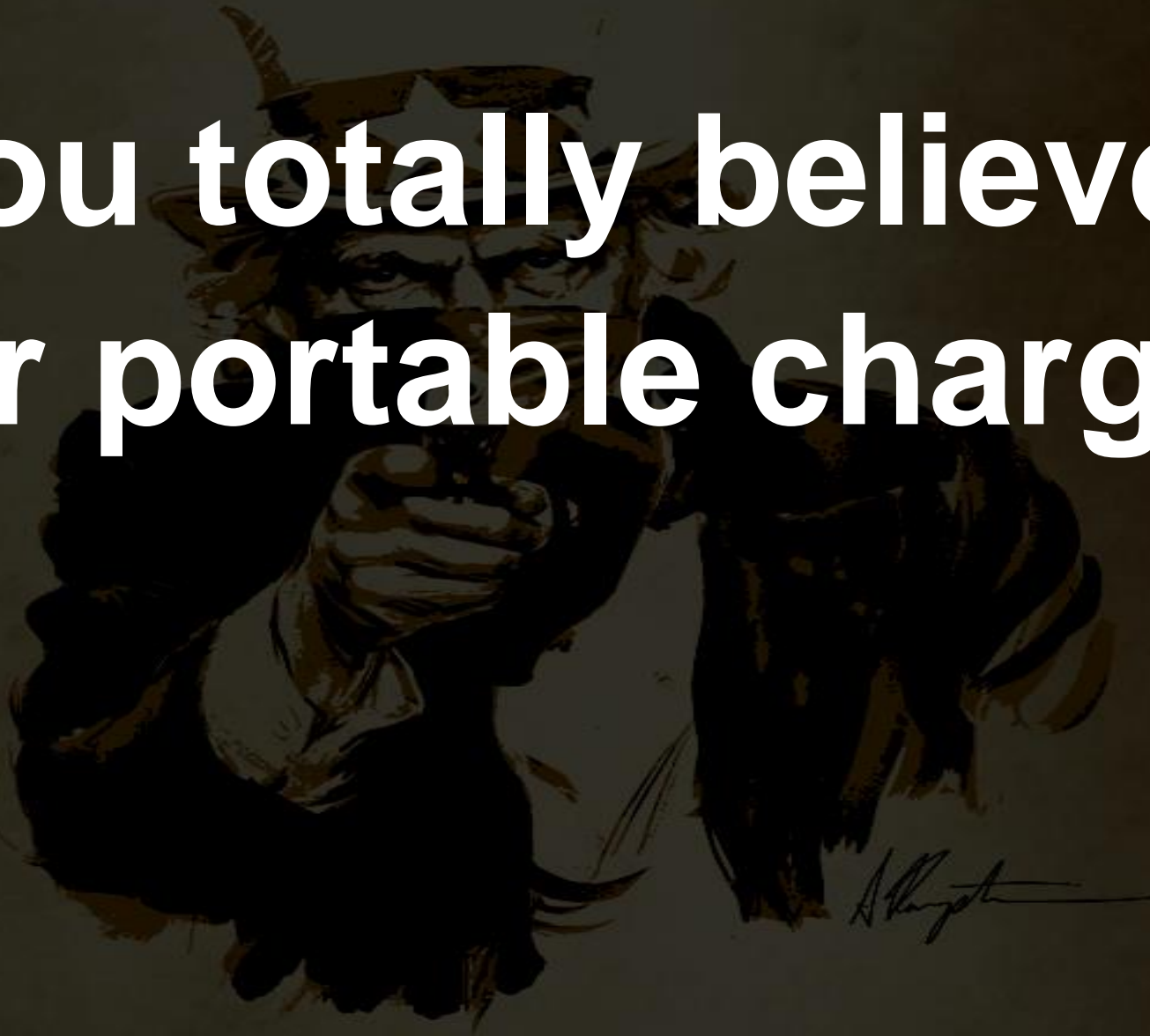
So many battery rental services...



WANTED

Hey,

**You totally believe
your portable charger?**



PowerShock!!

- It is a portable charger, but not normal
 - It has **IRON-HID** inside it
- It can test **Android smartphones**
- It can test **POS(Point-Of-Sale) Systems**
- It can test **your PC**

It is a perfect **weapon** for
penetration testers

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Tools you need

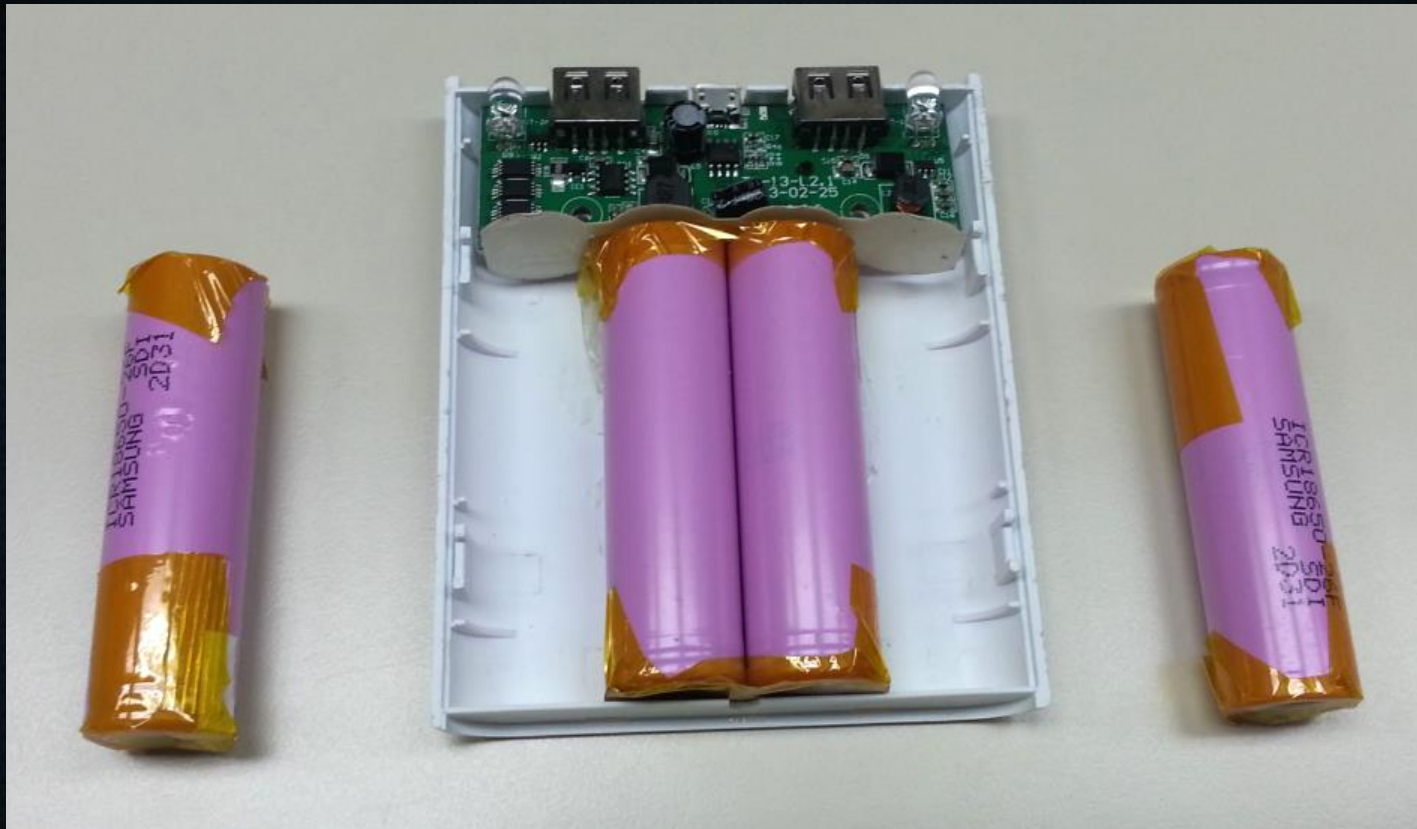


Inside of the portable charger

- It has a very simple architecture
 - A charger module and battery cells
 - High capacity model → More battery cells!



Cutting off battery cells

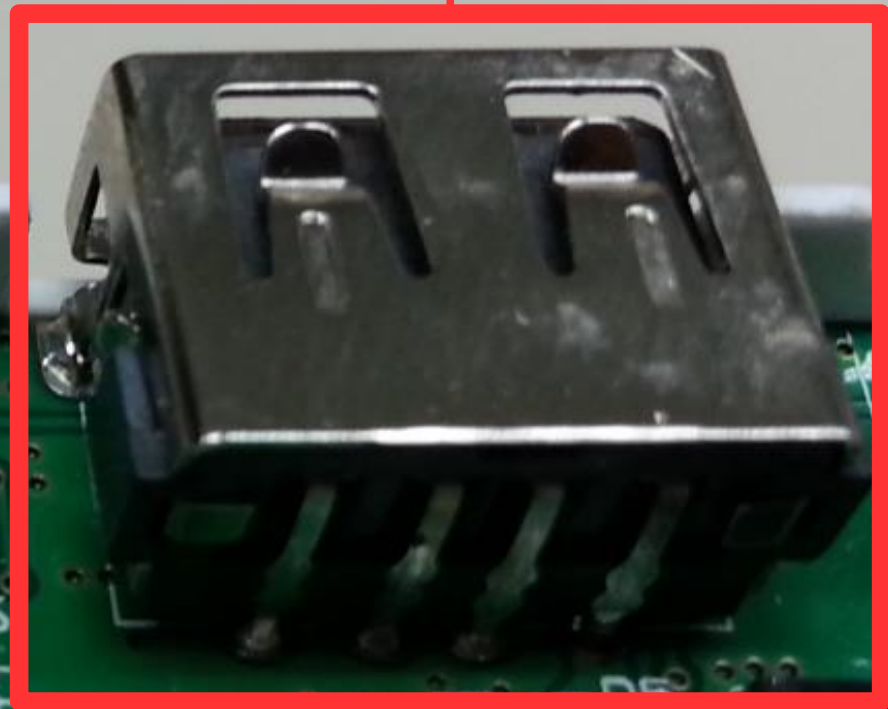
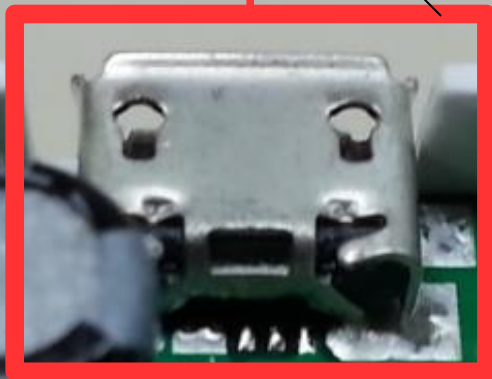


- Make some space for IRON-HIDs
 - Battery cells are connected in parallel
 - Cut off the cell connector carefully

Pin layouts of the charger module

USB Connector
for Input (recharging)

USB Connector
for Output (smartphone)

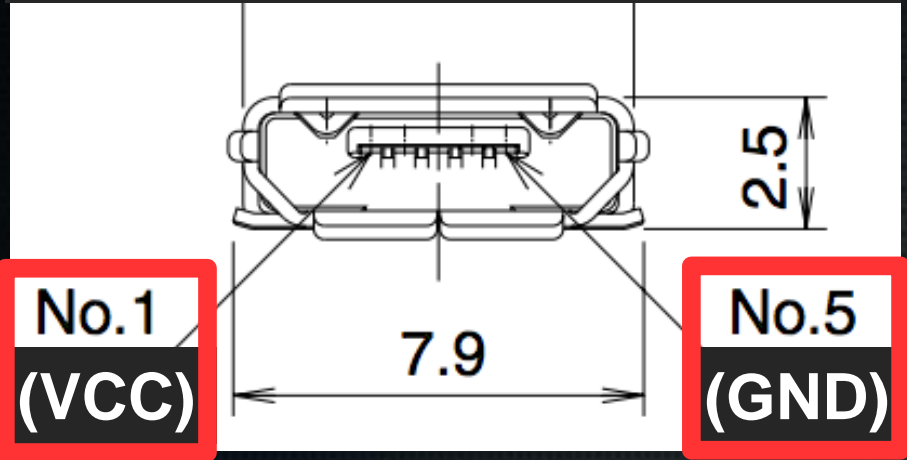


GND (No.5)
ID
Data+
Data-
VCC (No.1)

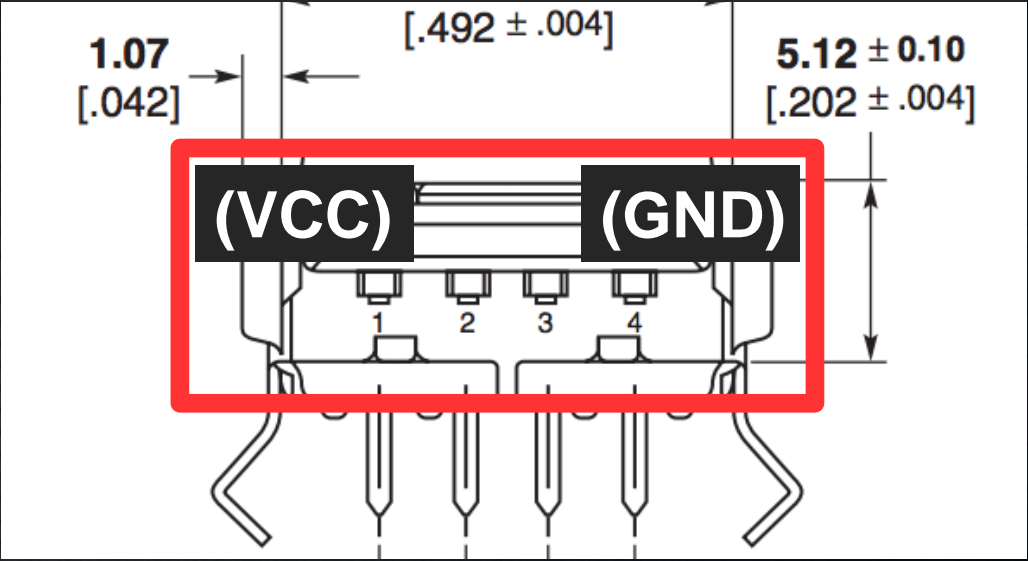
GND (No.4)
Data+
Data-
VCC (No.1)

USB Datasheet

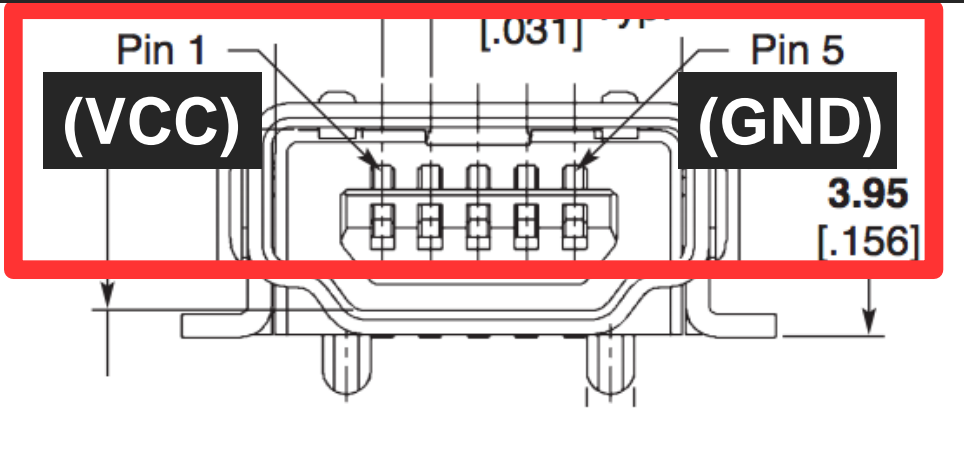
Micro Type



A Type

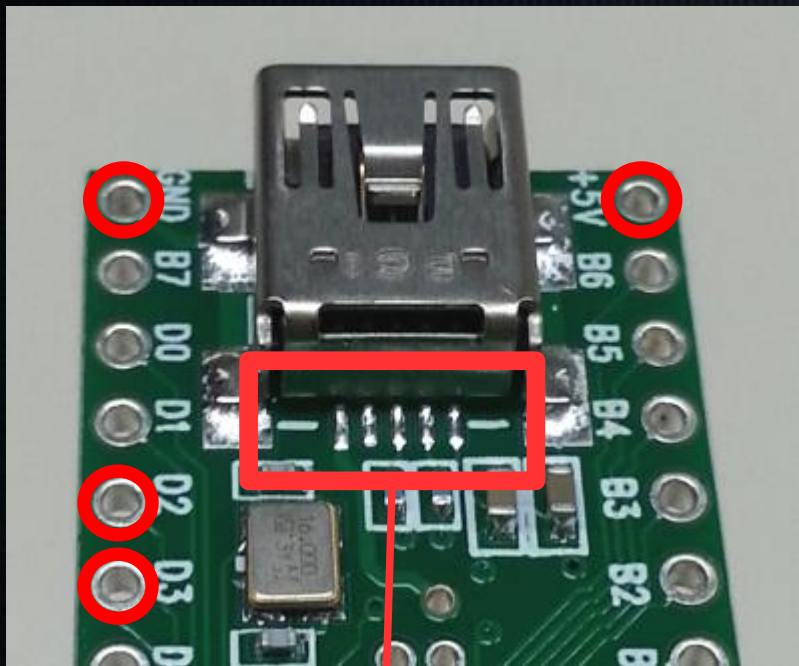


Mini Type



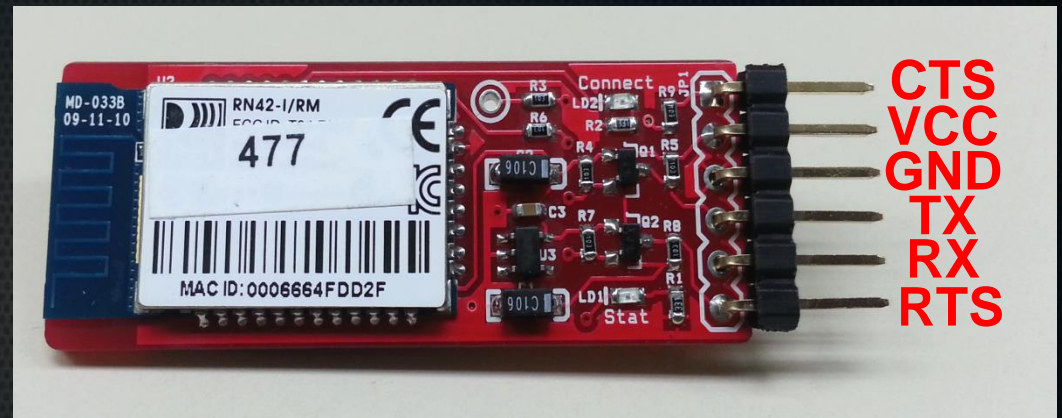
Pin layouts of the IRON-HID

Teensy



VCC
Data-
Data+
ID
GND

Bluetooth Serial Module (RN-42 Silver)



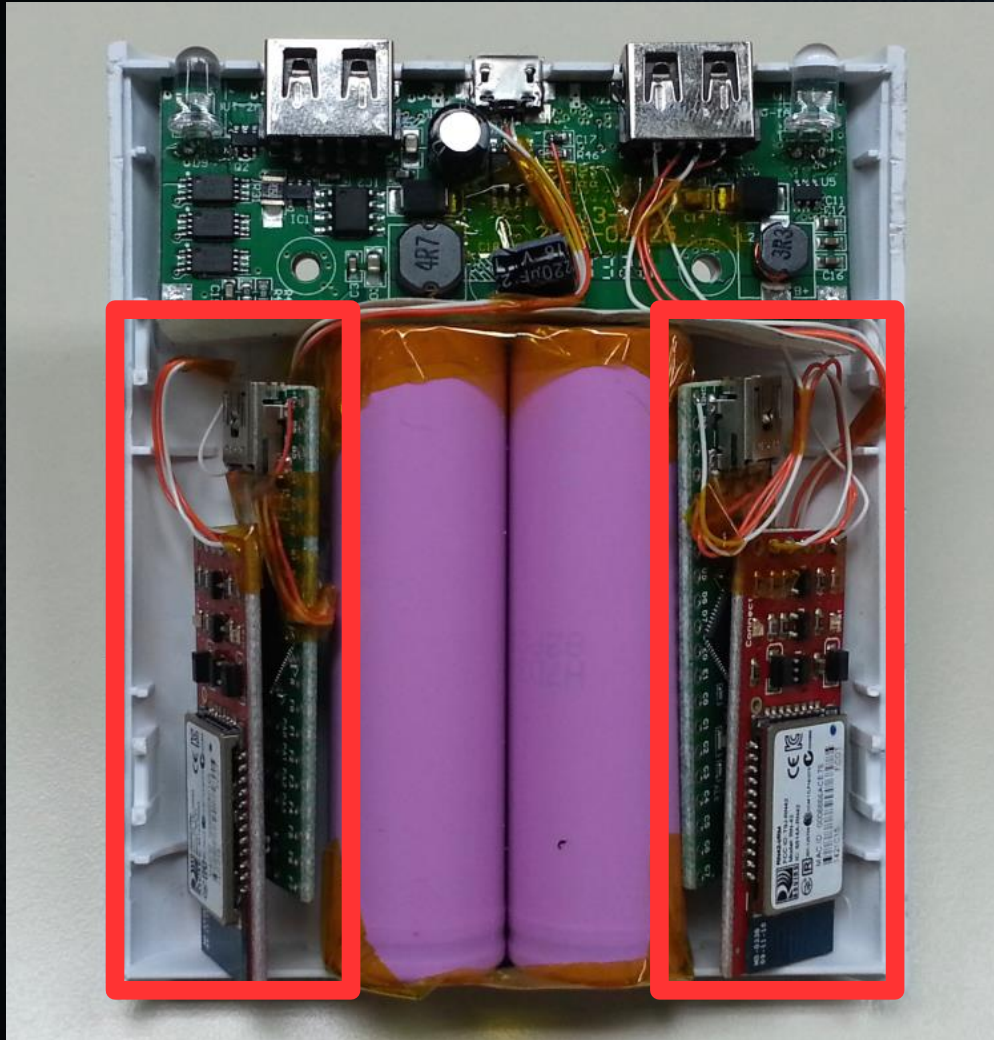
CTS
VCC
GND
TX
RX
RTS

Teensy

Bluetooth

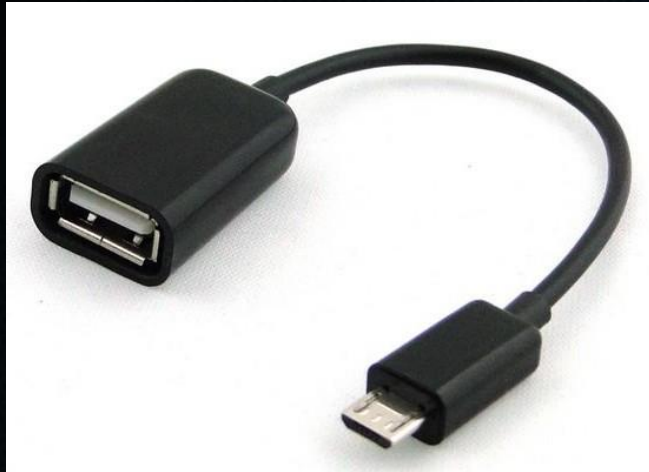
5V OUT	—	VCC
D2 (RX)	—	TX
D3 (TX)	—	RX
GND	—	GND

You got the power!!



*** Rebirth of the Portable Charger ***

USB **OTG** (On-The-Go)



- It activates the USB host function of smart-phones
 - You can connect various types of USB peripherals such as a keyboard, a mass-storage (USB drive), a mouse

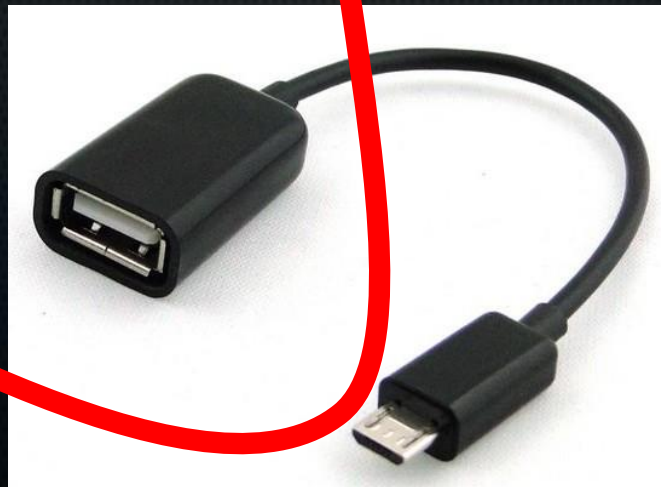
*** The final piece of the puzzle ***

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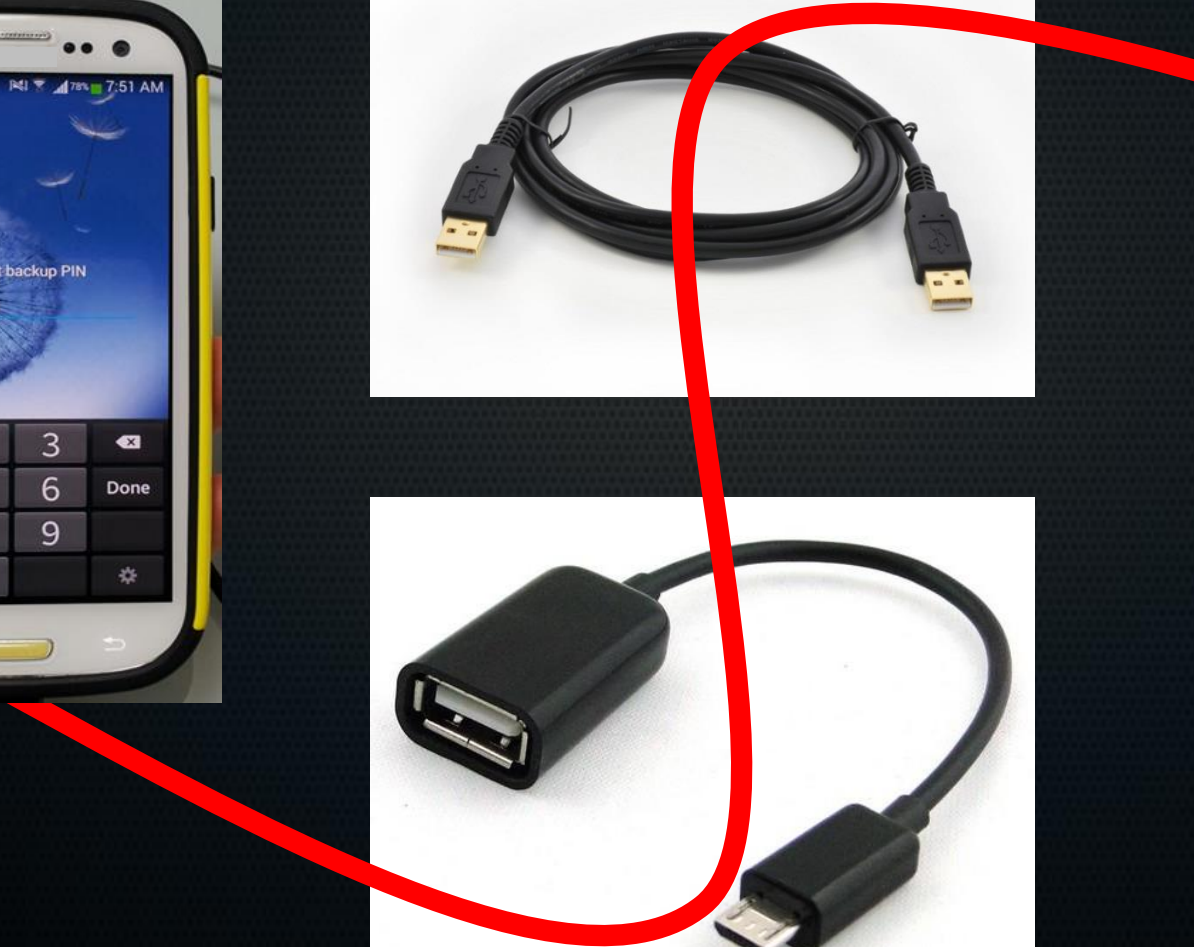
Smartphone



Cables



PowerShock

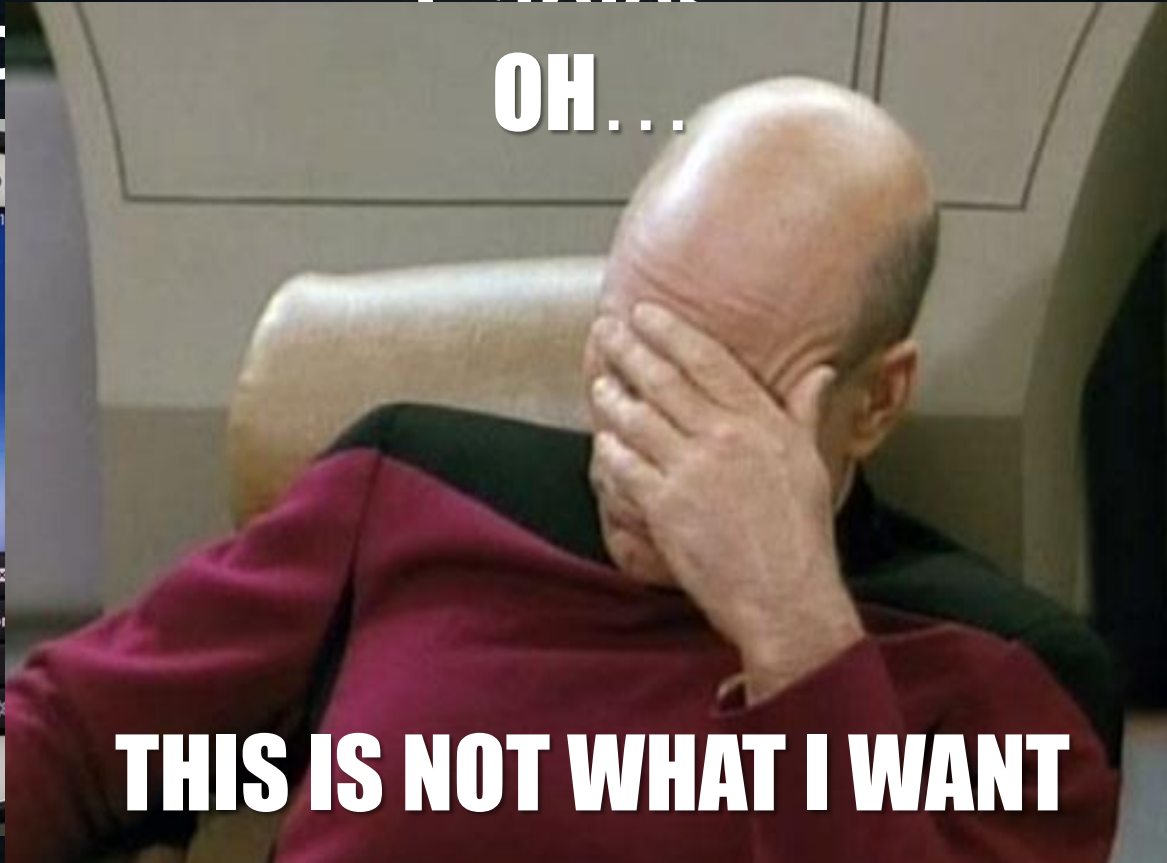


...?!...

Smartphone

Cables

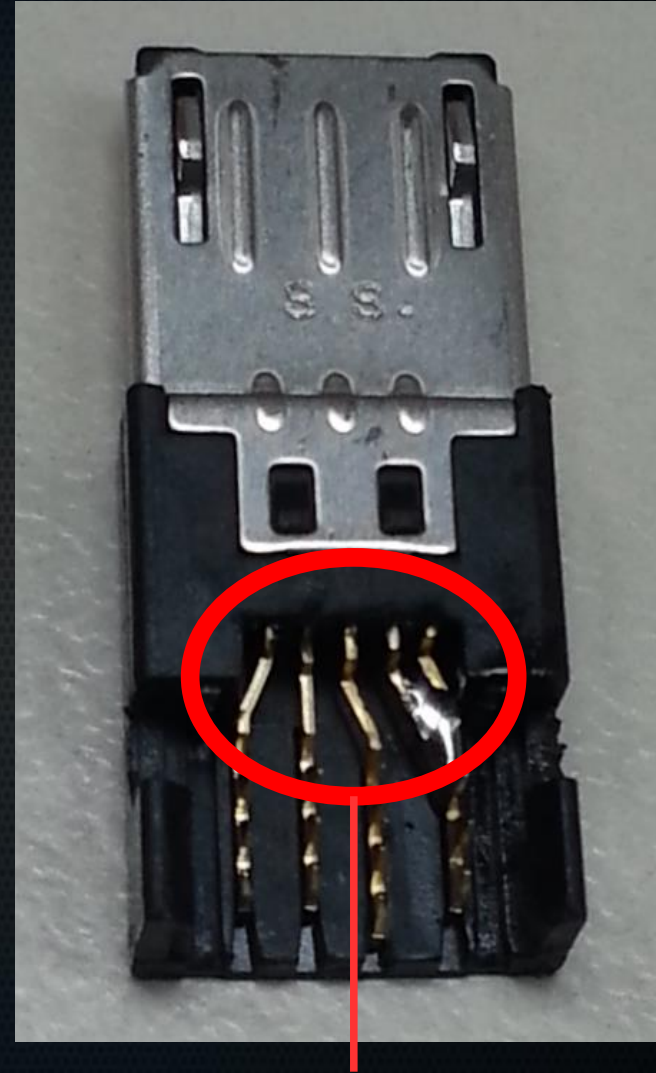
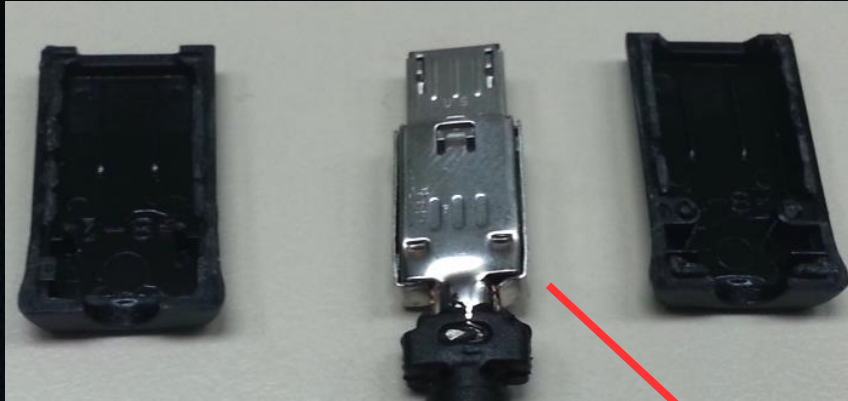
PowerShock



THIS IS NOT WHAT I WANT



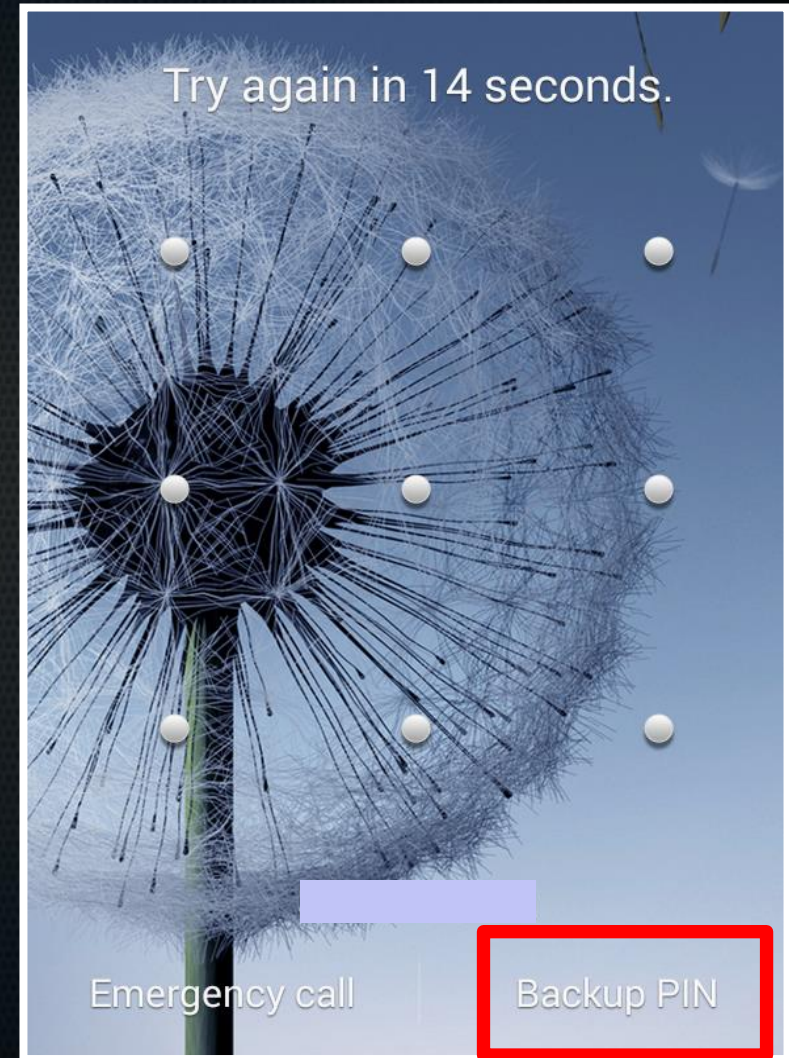
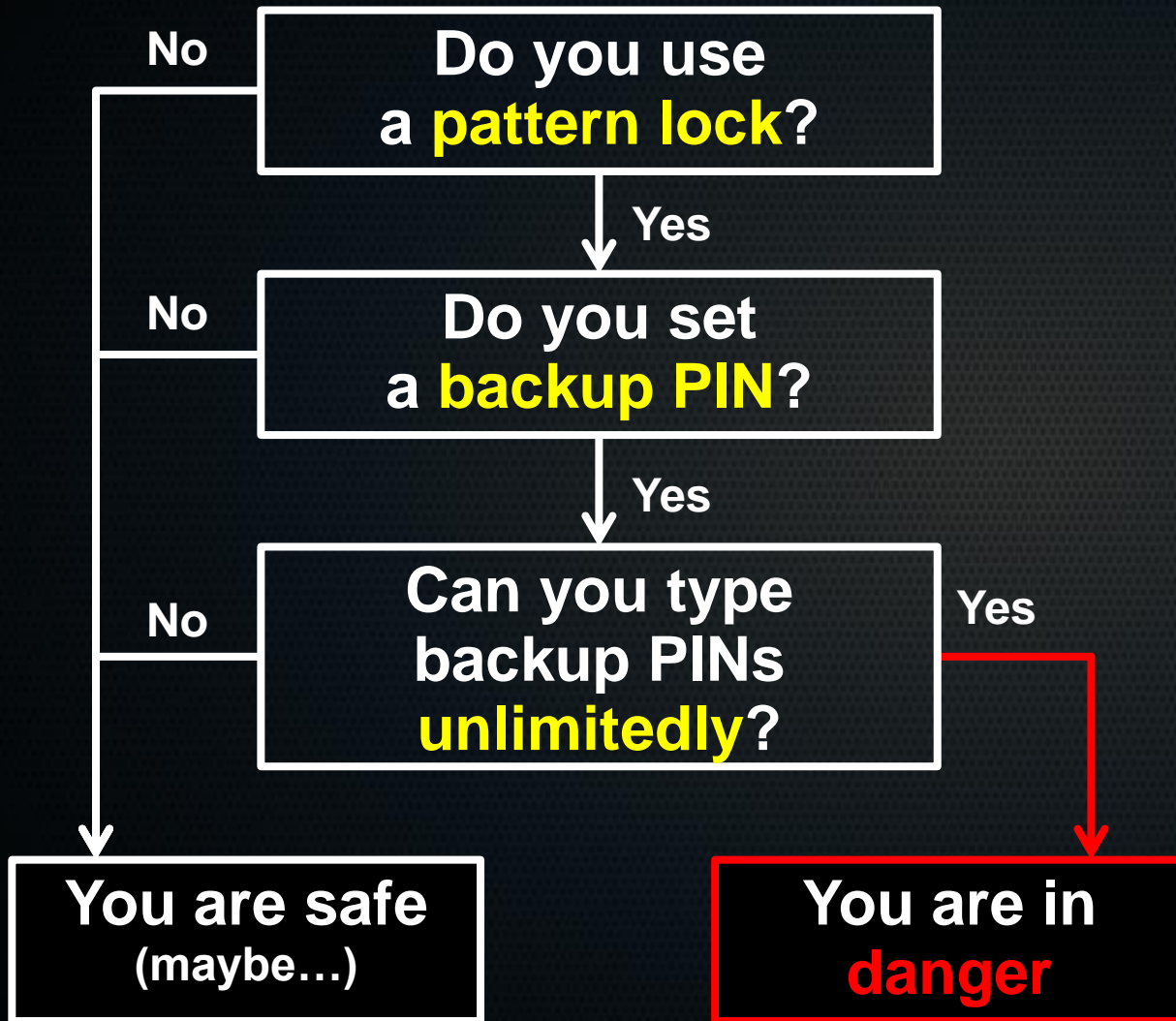
Making a custom OTG cable



Connect the ID pin with the GND pin

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Well-known Smartphone Vulnerability



Testing the vulnerability

- Connect **PowerShock** to a smartphone with the custom **OTG cable** and fire!!
 - It is really hard to test the vulnerability with your hands
 - The PowerShock tests it instead of you
 - It sends PINs quickly and automatically!!

If someone asks you to charge a phone, charge it with **PowerShock!!**



Demo

(Let's test the Android)

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Inside of the **POS** Systems



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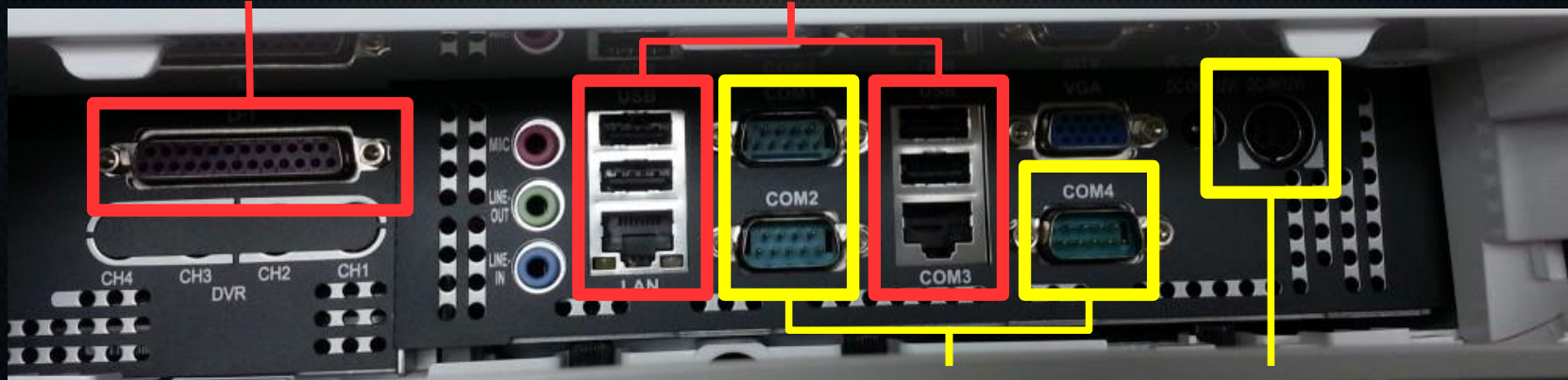


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Parallel Port

USB + LAN



Serial Port

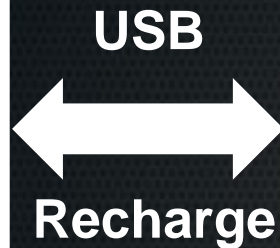
PS/2

Many POS systems are PC-based!!

If the PowerShock plugs into the **POS**?



POS System



PowerShock



If POS system has a vulnerability,
you can grab **card numbers!!**

Demo (Let's test the POS system)

```
CONTROL  COMMAND  KEY
>> Start to mount CD-ROM <<
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.3.9600]
(c) 2013 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

E:\>c:

C:\>cd windows

C:\Windows>dir
Volume in drive C has no label.
Volume Serial Number is 72E6-1928

Directory of C:\Windows

09/14/2014 04:05 PM <DIR>
08/22/2014 08:36 PM <DIR>
07/22/2013 08:36 PM <DIR>
08/22/2013 08:36 AM <DIR>
03/18/2014 03:17 AM <DIR>
09/14/2014 04:05 PM <DIR>
03/18/2014 03:20 AM <DIR>
08/22/2013 04:21 AM 56,832 bfsvc.exe
08/22/2013 08:36 AM <DIR>
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09/14/2014 04:04 PM <DIR>
08/22/2013 08:36 AM <DIR>
DesktopTileResources

Input commands
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CONTROL  COMMAND  KEY
dir
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Directory of C:\

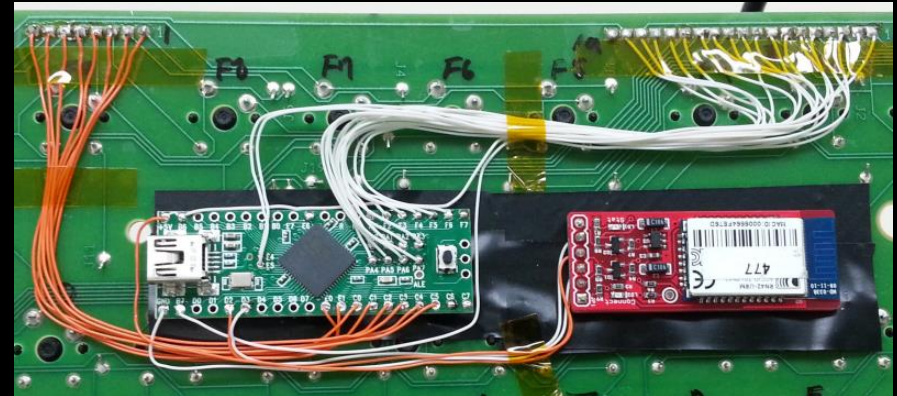
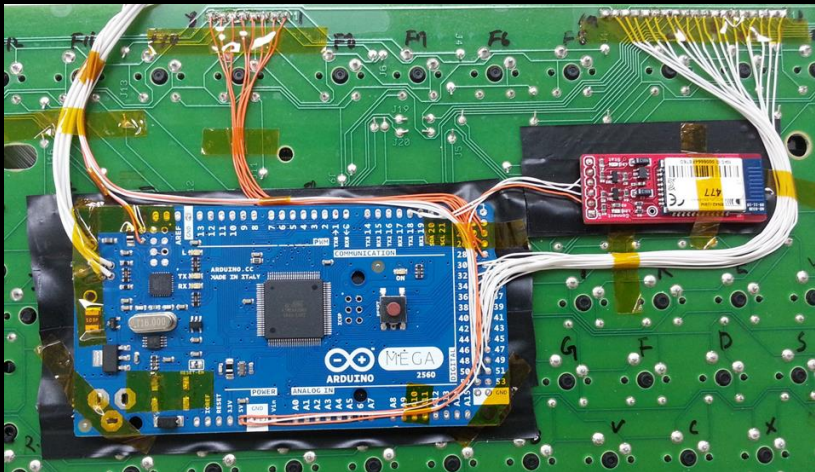
11/08/2012 12:46 AM <DIR>
0c259d27b74feb48b7e225de10
05/07/2014 07:09 PM <DIR> Data
08/17/2013 11:07 PM <DIR> Desktop
09/14/2014 04:12 PM <DIR> Intel
09/14/2014 07:42 AM 17,792 password.txt
08/22/2013 08:22 AM <DIR> PerfLogs
09/14/2014 04:12 PM <DIR> Program Files
09/14/2014 04:12 PM <DIR> Program Files (x86)
09/14/2014 04:05 PM <DIR> Users
08/21/2013 10:52 PM <DIR> UTIL
06/10/2014 07:24 PM <DIR> VirtualMachine
09/14/2014 04:05 PM <DIR> Windows
09/14/2014 04:57 PM <DIR> Windows.old
2 File(s) 17,860 bytes
12 Dir(s) 25,171,771,392 bytes free

C:\>>> Start to receive password.txt files <<
64/17792
3904/17792
8128/17792
12160/17792
16320/17792
>> Receive file complete <<

Input commands
```

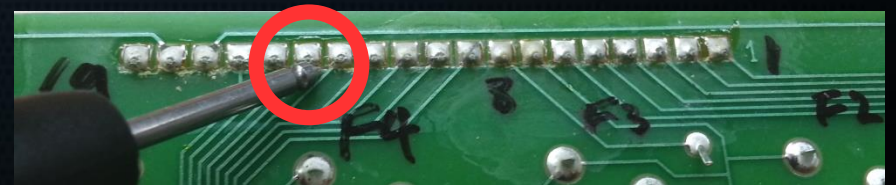
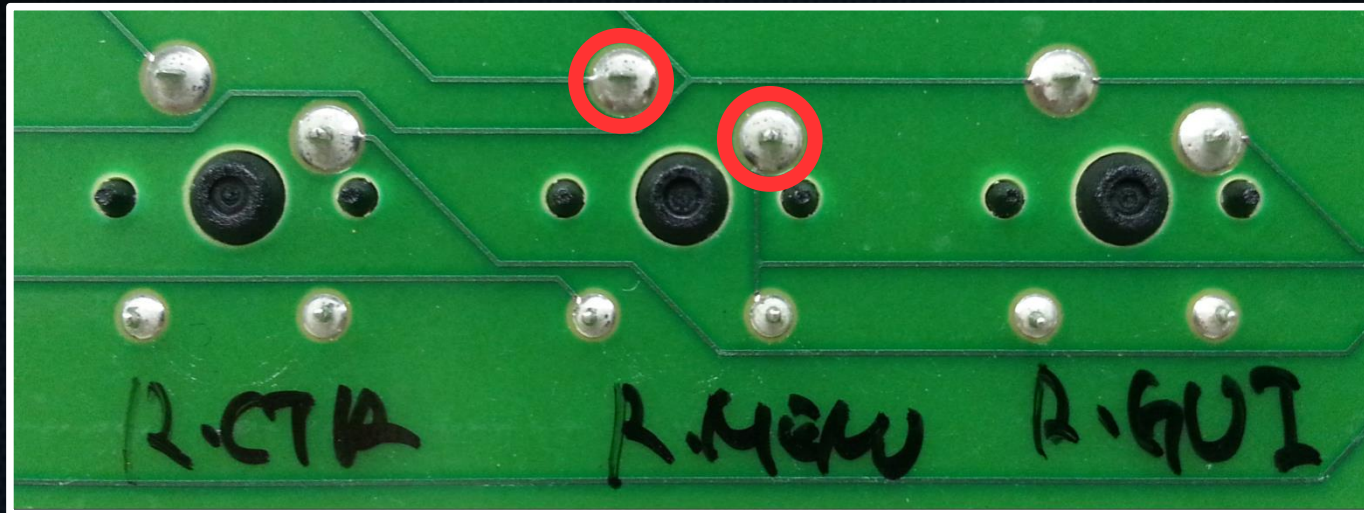
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KeyboardShock



Attach IRON-HID onto USB keyboards
and give them to your **colleagues**

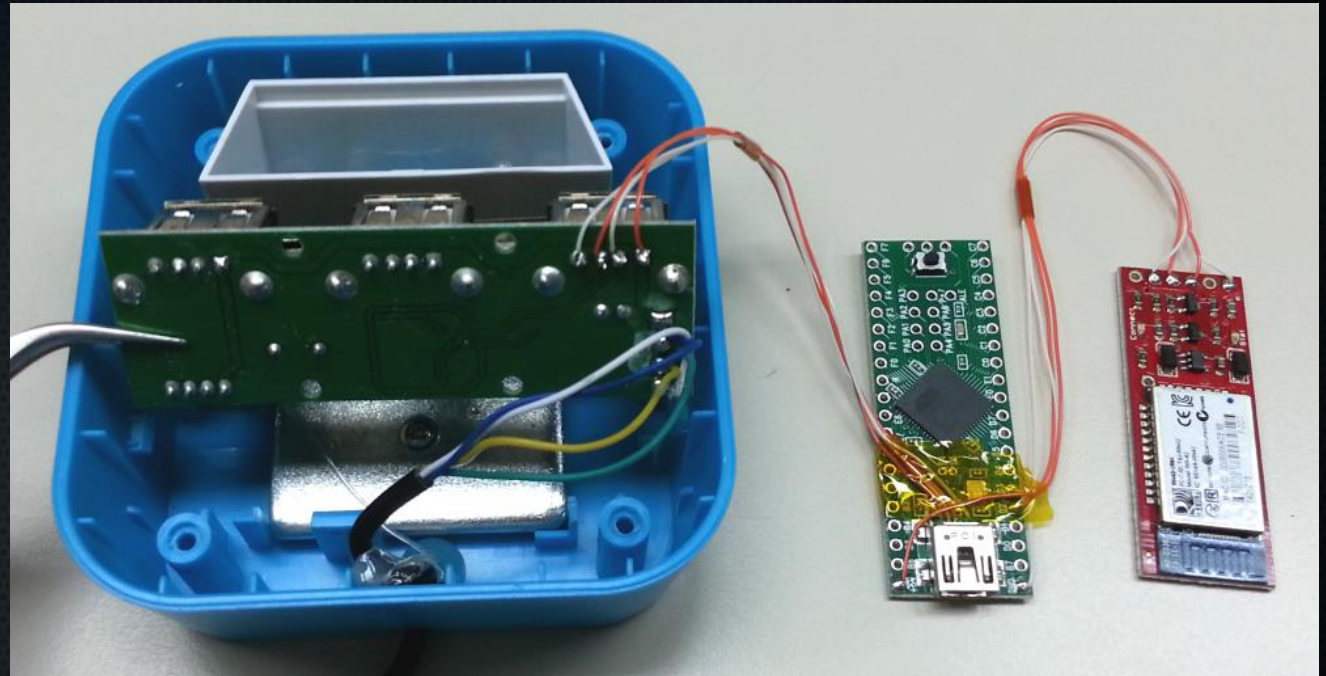
Find the key matrix with multimeter



		Columns					
		0	1	2	3	4	5
Rows	0			LGUI		ESC	
	1		RCONTROL		RSHIFT	Z	X
	2					1	2
	3		LCONTROL		LSHIFT	TILDE	F1
	4					Q	W
	5				LSHIFT	TAB	CAPSLOCK
	6					A	S
	7	RGUI					
		6	7	8	9	10	11
Rows	1	F4	G	H	F6	F5	QUOTATION
	2	C	V	M	COMMA	PERIOD	
	3	3	4	7	8	9	0
	4	F2	5	6	EQUAL	F8	MINUS
	5	E	R	U	I	O	P
	6	F3	T	Y	CLOSEBRACKET	F7	OPENBRACKET
	7	D	F	J	K	L	SEMICOLON
	8		B	N			SLASH
			12	13	14	15	16
Rows	1	F5		PAD_0	PAD_PERIOD	UP	LALT
	2	ENTER	NUMLOCK	PAD_SLASH	PAD_ASTERISK	PAUSE	
	3	F10	F11	F12	PAGEDOWN	END	PRINTSCREEN
	4	F9	DELETE	INSERT	PAGEUP	HOME	
	5		PAD_7	PAD_8	PAD_9	PAD_PLUS	SCROLLLOCK
	6	BACKSPACE	PAD_4	PAD_5	PAD_6	APPLICATION	
	7	INVERSESLASH	PAD_1	PAD_2	PAD_3	PAD_ENTER	
	8	SPACE	DOWN	RIGHT	PAD_MINUS	LEFT	RALT

The example of the keyboard matrix

ReaderShock



Attach IRON-HID onto card readers and give them **also** to your **colleagues**

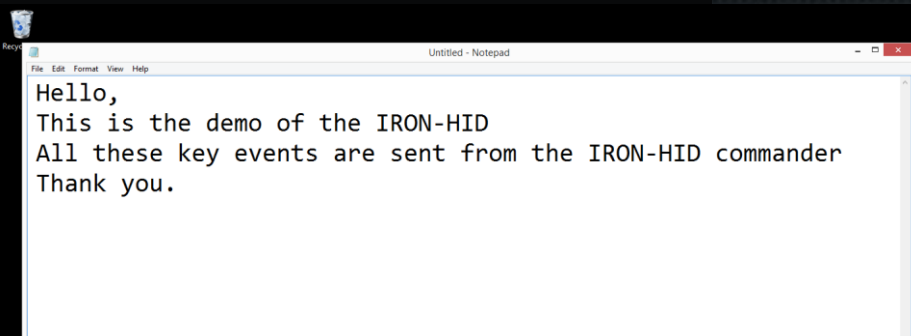
Then...

You will be the big brother for fun!!

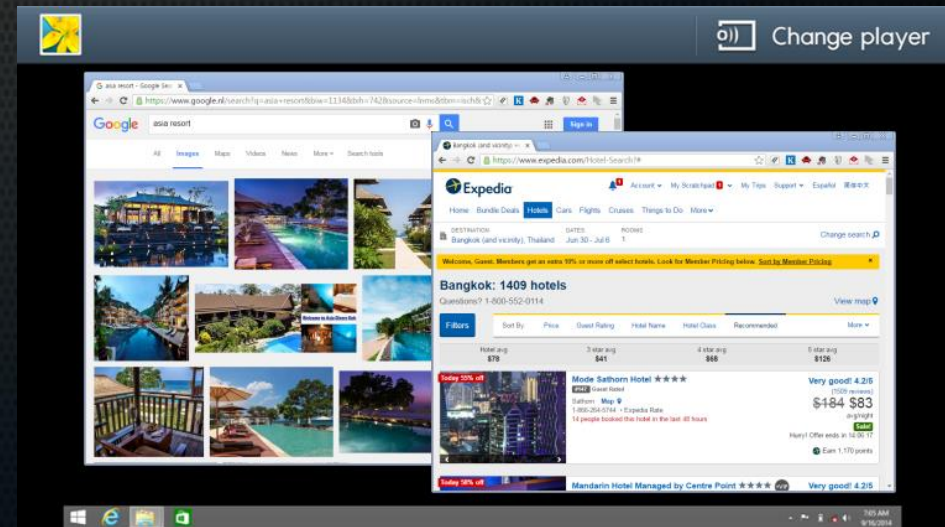
CONTROL	COMMAND	KEY
	<pre>C:\> notepad no-mercy.txt</pre>	
	<pre>C:\> format c: /q</pre>	

Executing commands

CONTROL	COMMAND	KEY
		<pre>Hello, This is the demo of the IRON-HID Thank you.</pre>



Logging and sending keys



Receiving files and capturing screenshots

Resources

- <http://www.fourwalledcubicle.com>
- <http://cdemu.blogspot.com>
- <http://www.usb.org>
- <https://www.arduino.cc>
- <https://www.pjrc.com/teensy>

Thank you !



**I will be waiting for your email
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