

Zero-trust Supply Chain for Critical Automotive Systems

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Electronics are Everywhere



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Commoditization, Race to Cheaper



\$75,000 (2010)

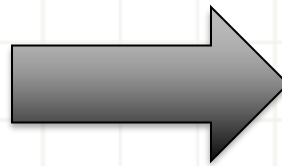


\$15,000 (2021)



\$1,000 (2025+)

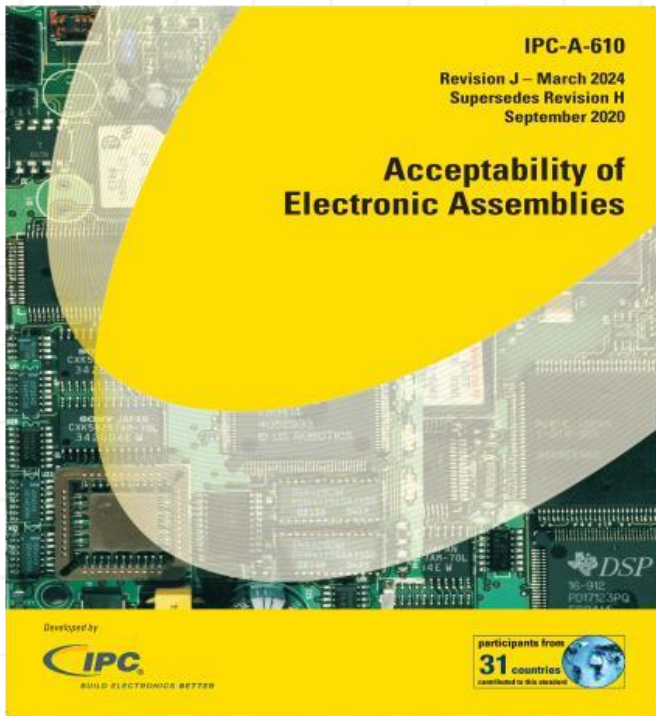
**Cut-throat competition
tempts cutting corners**



- Defects
- Oversight
- Fraud

Challenges In the Electronics Supply Chain

Defects



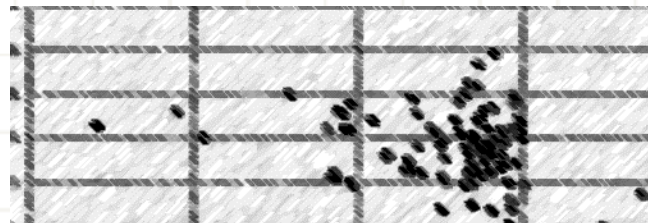
Oversights



System misconfiguration



Silent substitution

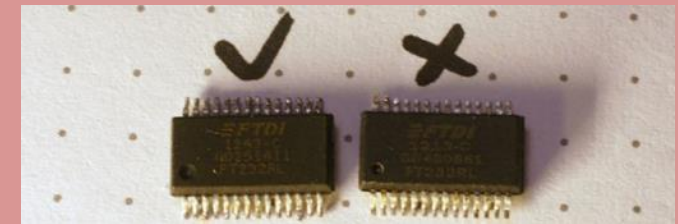


Manufacturing variance

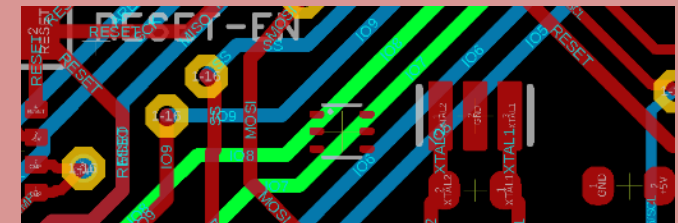
Fraud



Recycled e-waste sold as new



Counterfeit electronics



Hardware implants

Cybersecurity Supply Chain Risk Types

Financial

Goal: make money

- Counterfeit, recycled, swapped parts
- Overproduction redirection
- Sale of implants

Activist

Goal: revenge, ...

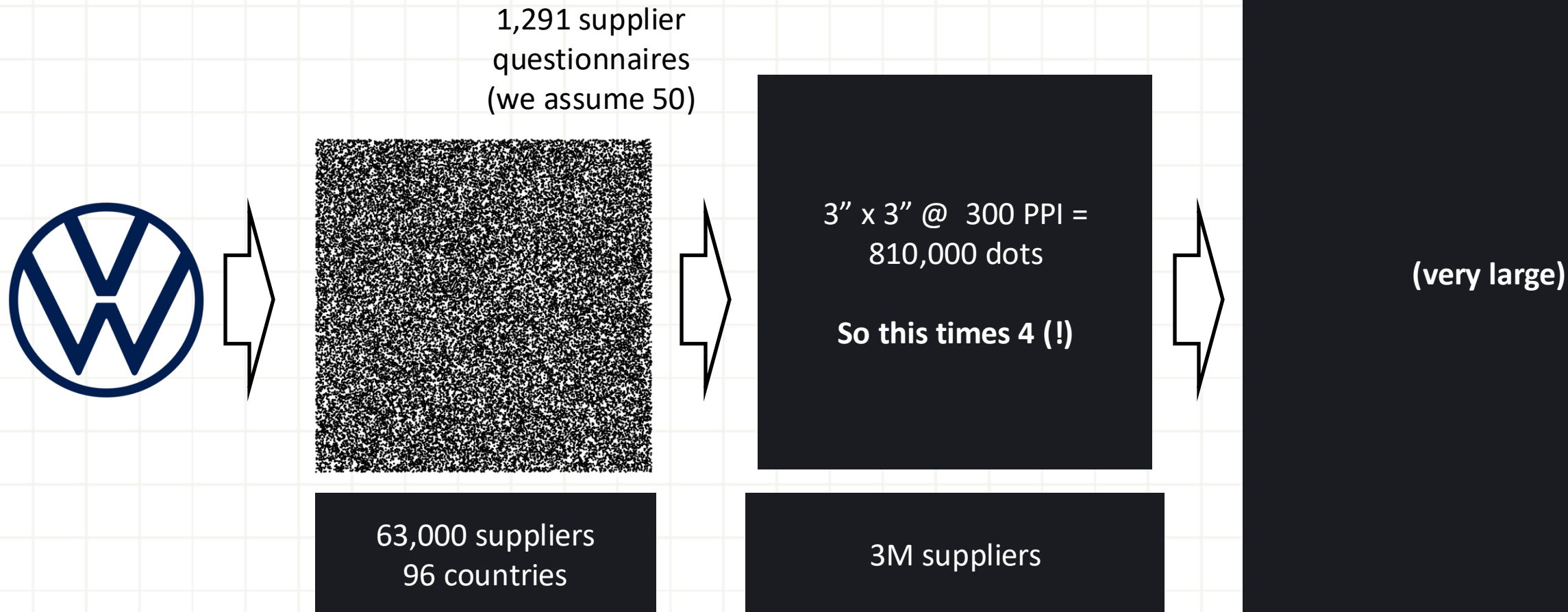
- Deliberate swap of parts
- Data leakage
- Change in design

Nation State

Goal: influence

- Attack staging
- Designed points of failure
- Leverage for geopolitical

Example of Supply Chain Network Effect



*"Acquirers **often lack visibility** and understanding"*

NIST 800-161: Cybersecurity Supply Chain Risk Management

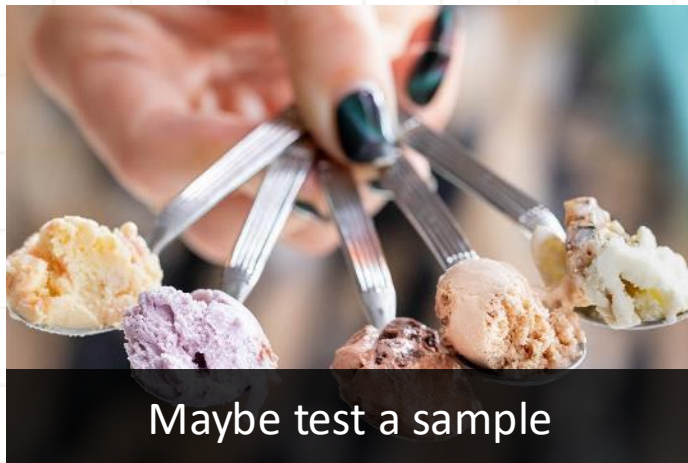
Trusted-based Supply Chain Risk Management

Step 1



Fill in supplier questionnaire

Step 2



Maybe test a sample



And everything is fine ... Until it's not!

Automotive Industry has Counterfeit Problems

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Incorrectly Marked Electronics



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By Zhiye Liu published March 18, 2023

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tom's **HARDWARE**
THE AUTHORITY ON TECH

Cisco Modchip (TOCTOU)




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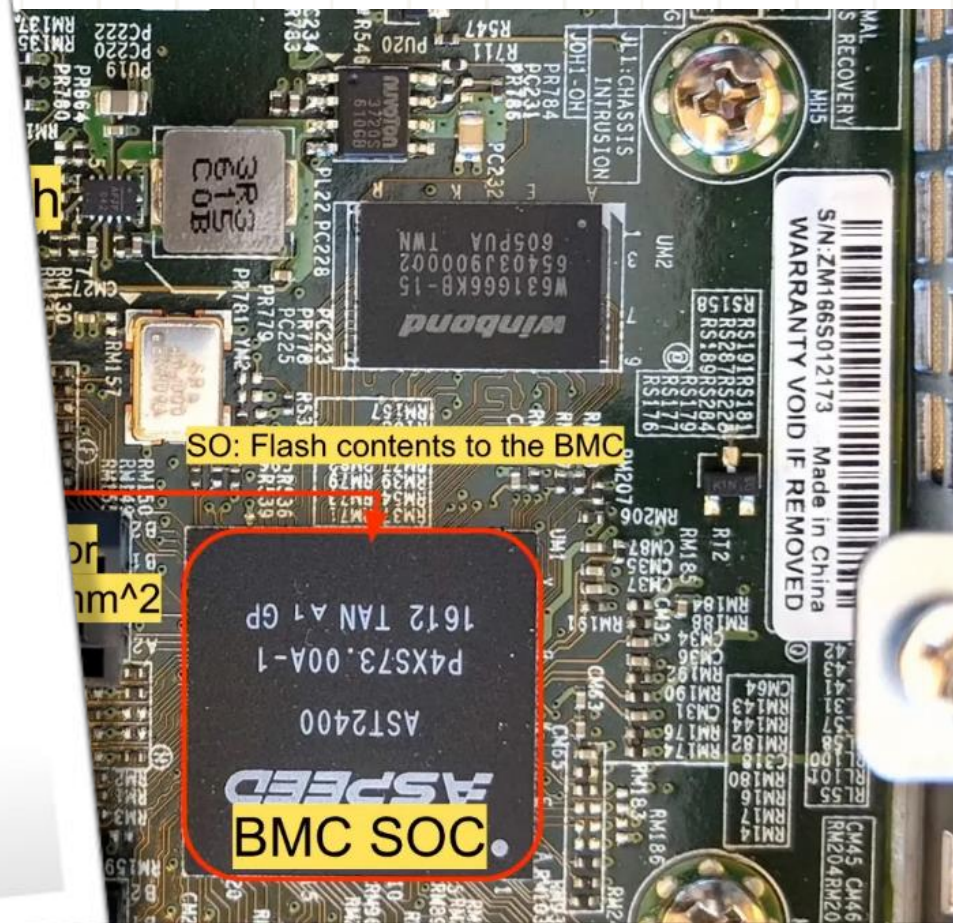
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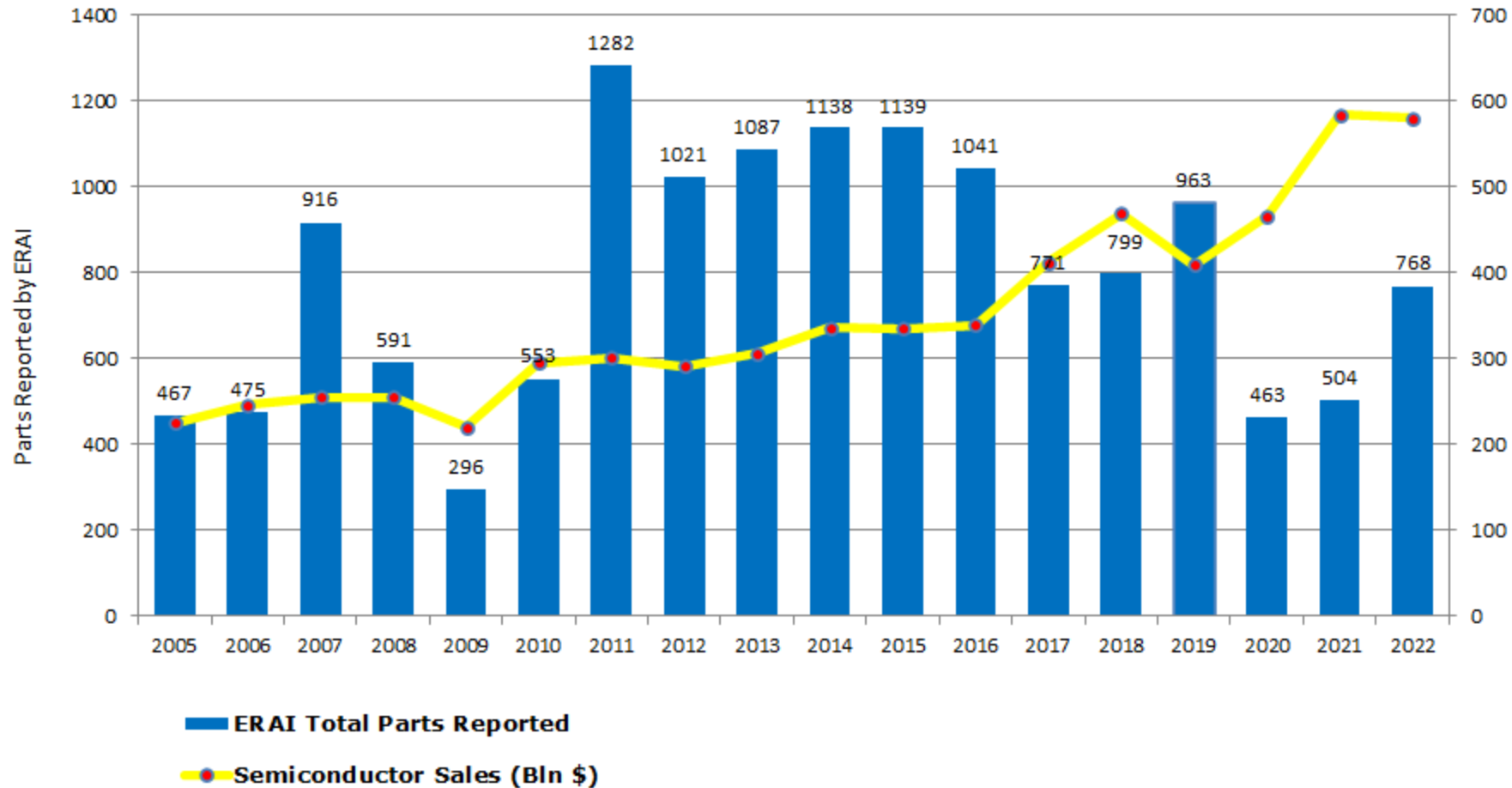
There's Your "Trusted Supplier"



- 400 displays installed in **US C-130J and C-27J military aircraft**
- [...] 1/3 failure rate including one incident [...] in use
- **L-3 Communication Display Systems** placed an order [...] (demanded) sample pieces (for testing) [...]
- Not a problem: **The Chinese vendor handpicked 18 genuine chips** [...]
- another 6,000 was placed. The chips were fakes.

How Big is the Problem?

Reported Parts vs. Global Semiconductor Sales 2005-2022



ERAI records **14** new counterfeit entries **per week**



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Your “Trusted Supplier” is Not Your Friend

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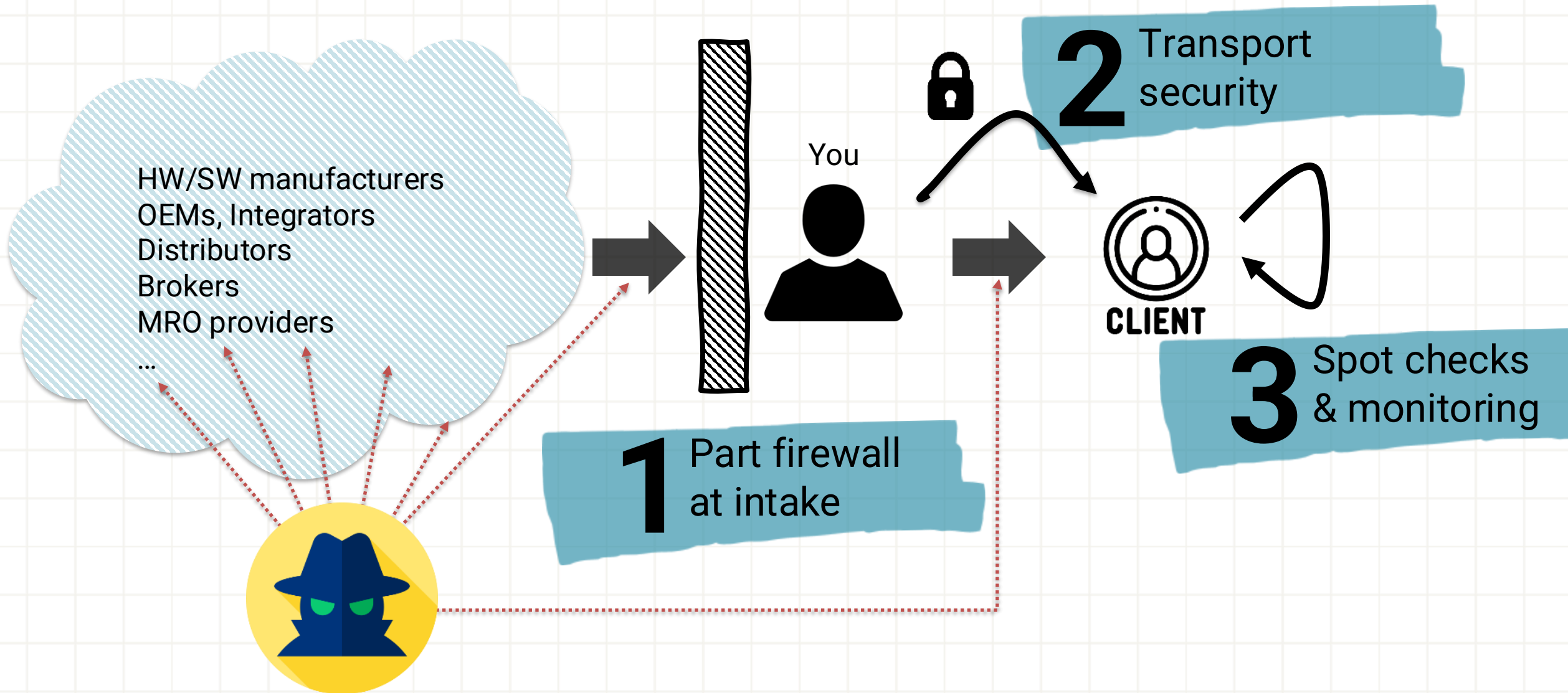
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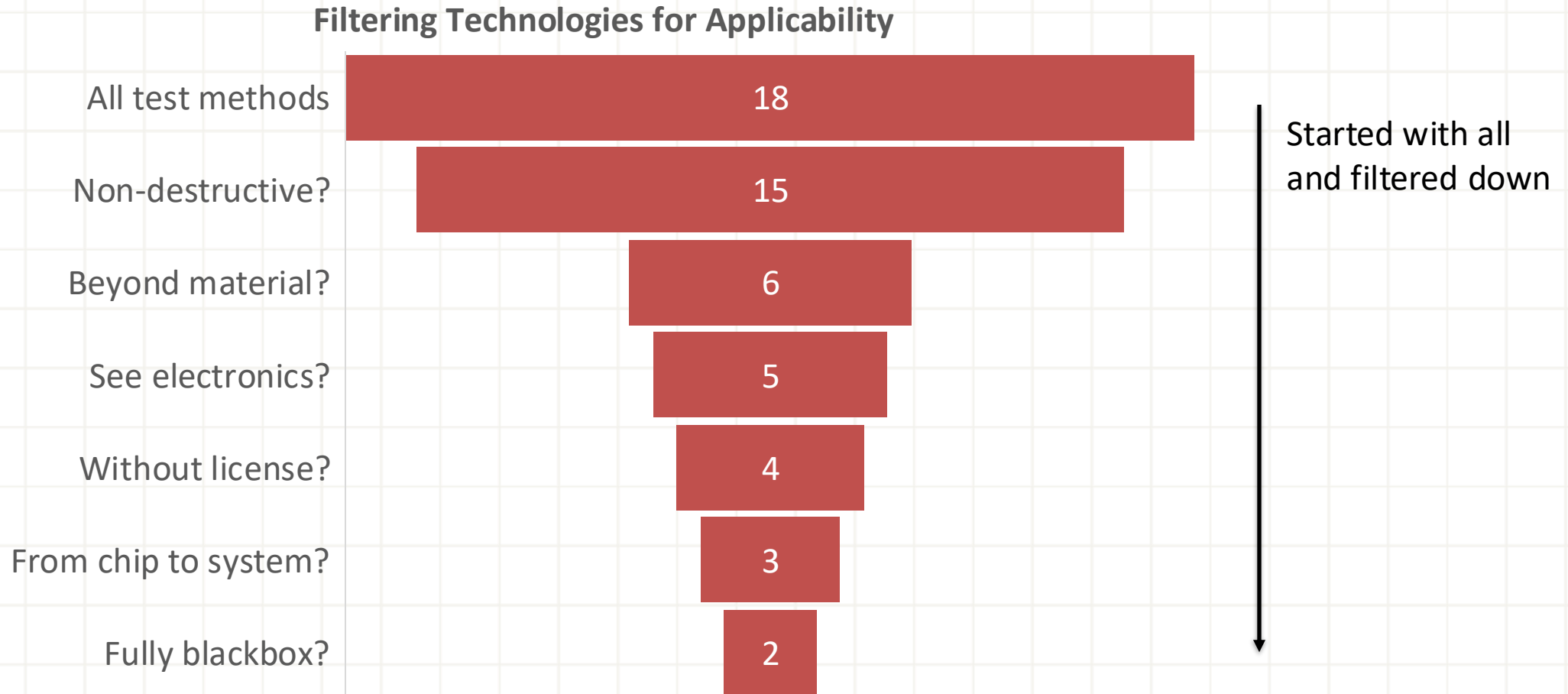
Supplier was a secret competitor

ZERO-TRUST FOR THE AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLY CHAIN

Supply Chain Risk Monitoring Model

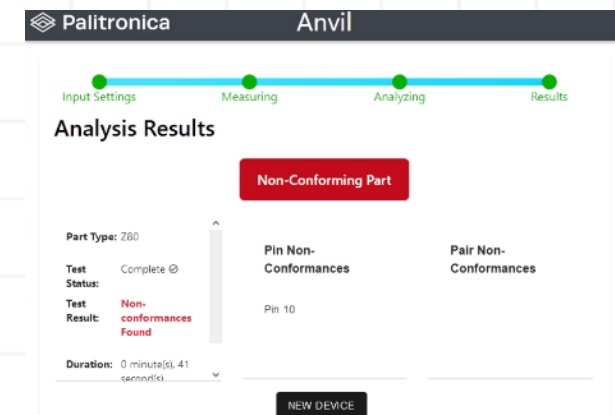
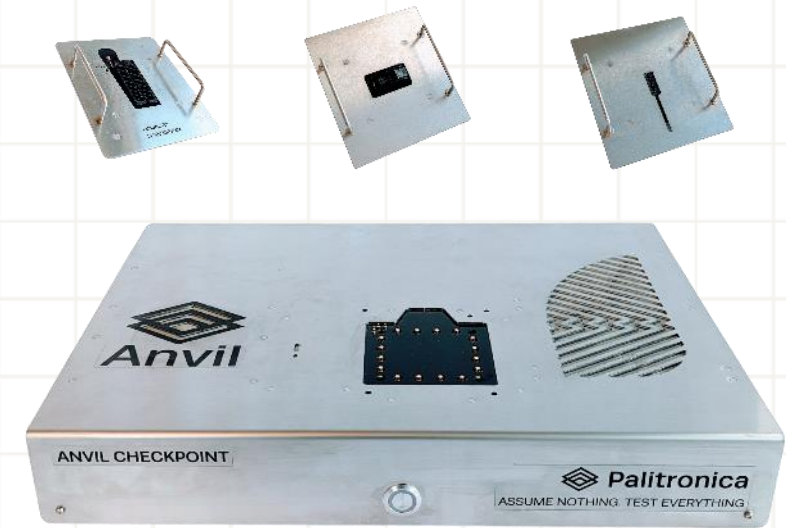
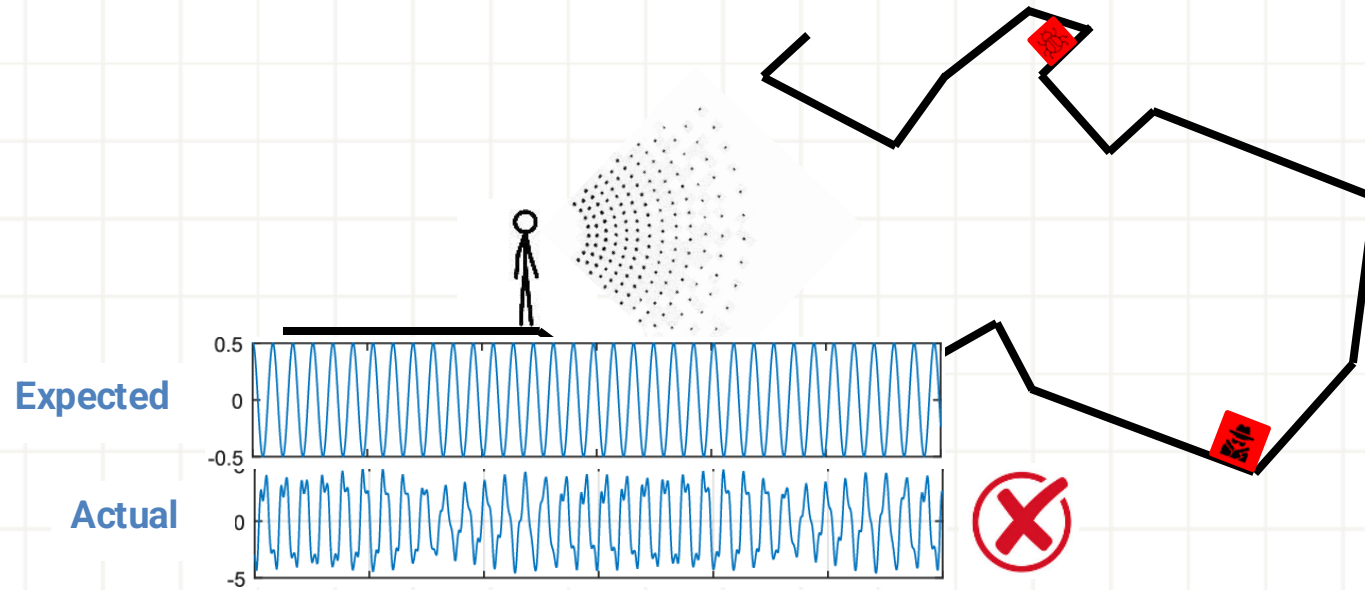
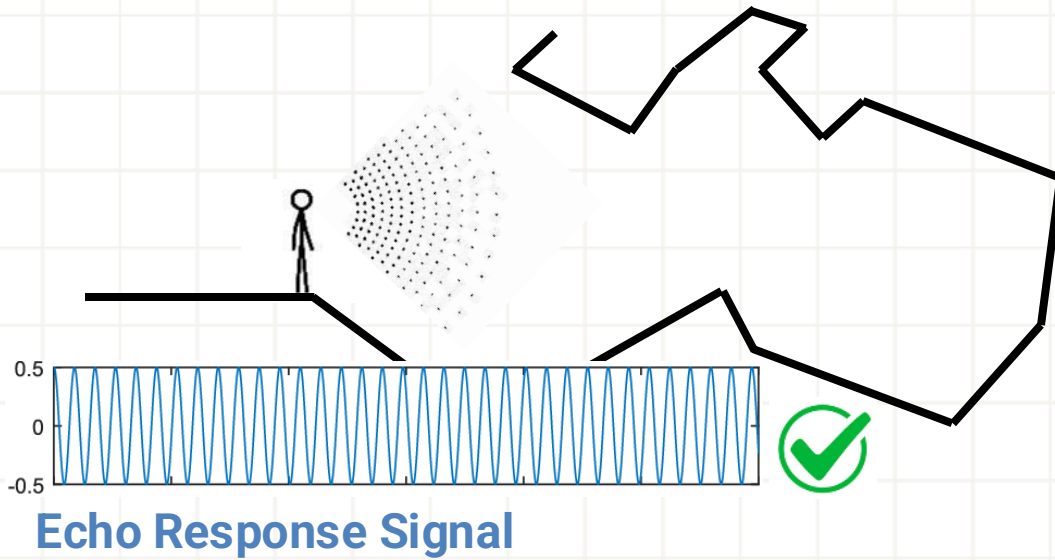


Test Methods (AS6171A)



- **What is left are side-channel-based methods**
 - Radiated Electromagnetic (EM) Emissions
 - RF Domain Analysis
 - Power consumption, temperature, acoustics, etc

Detection Based on RF Reflectometry



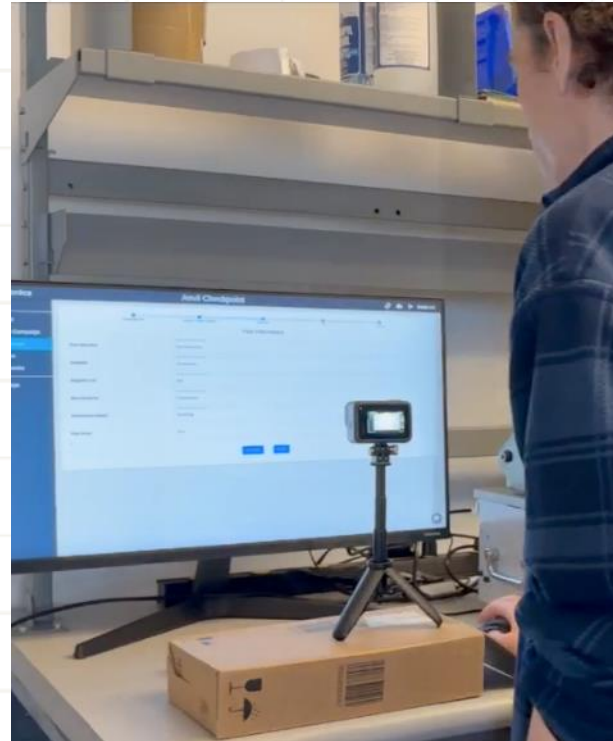


A Simple Incoming Inspection



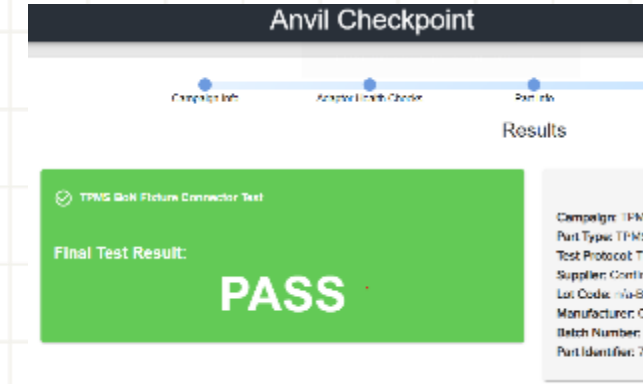
1.

Plug in the part



2.

Push a button



3.

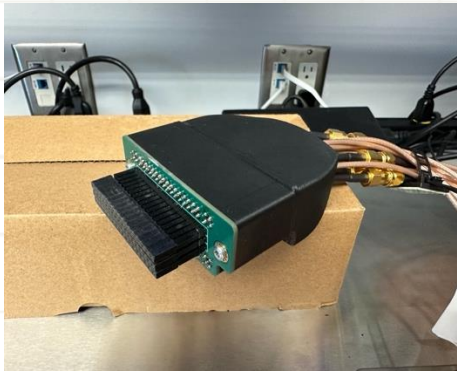
Get a **PASS** or **FAIL**



Example: Telematics Control Unit



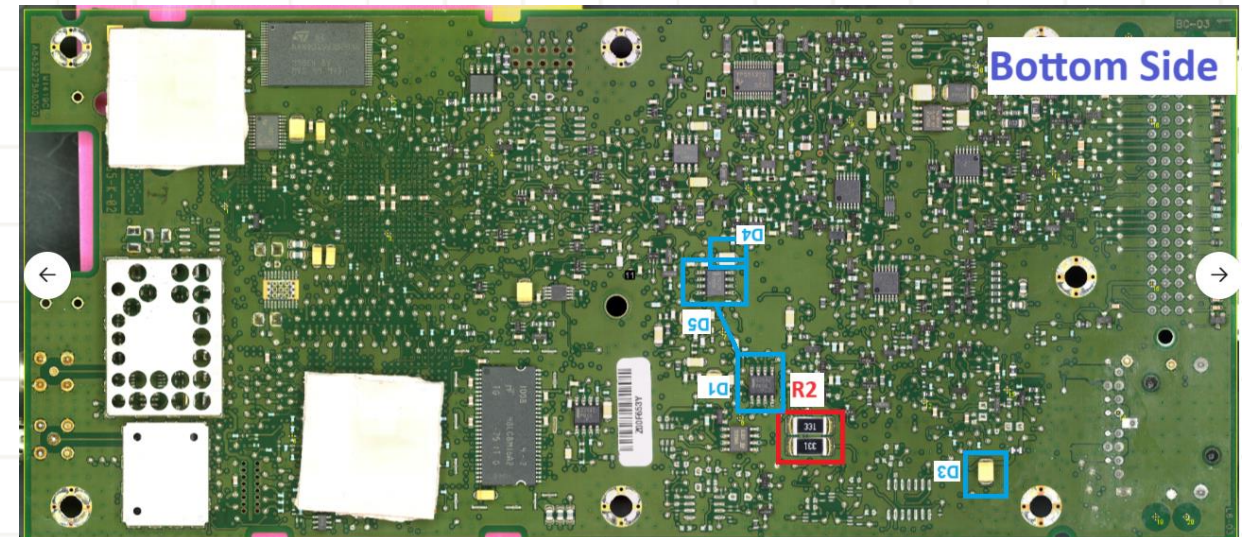
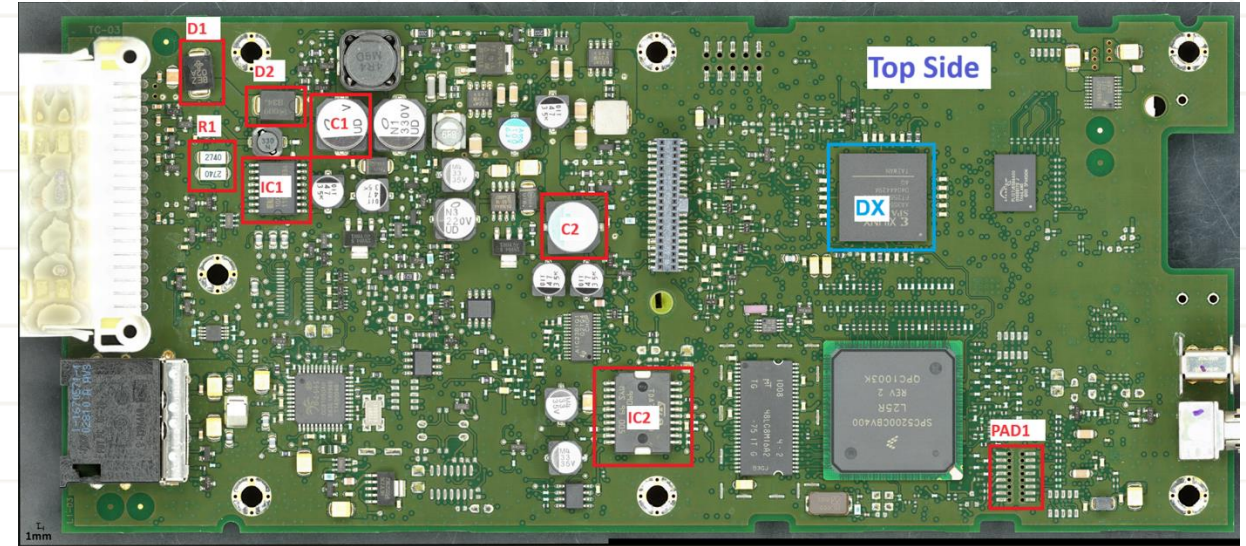
>60 TCUs
Various sources



Tested through connector
and BoN

Identified:

- Short
- Removal
- Swap
- Age/recycle
- Refurbished



STEPPING STONES TO ZERO TRUST SUPPLY CHAIN

Relevant Standards

- Cybersecurity
 - NIST SP 800-161 Cybersecurity Supply Chain Risk Management Practices for Systems and Organizations
 - NIST SP 800-53 Security and Privacy Controls for Information Systems and Organizations (especially the SR portion)
 - Other sectors have specific ones (defense, energy, etc.)
- Management and Testing Compliance
 - AS5553D Counterfeit Electronic Parts; Avoidance, Detection, Mitigation, and Disposition
 - AS6171A Test Methods Standard; General Requirements, Suspect/Counterfeit, Electrical, Electronic, and Electromechanical Parts
 - EIA933 Requirements for a COTS Assembly Management Plan
 - ...

Assemblies are the next frontier (e.g., AS6171A/23 Assemblies, AS9970 COTS)

Cybersecurity Supply Chain Risk Management

- **Strategic decisions:** risk profile, risk appetite, risk tolerance, ownership
- **Fact finding:** identify suppliers, criticality, prioritization
- **Governance structures:** risk management council
- **Documents:** Strategy, plan, policy, mission, ...
- **Awareness:** Training, gap analysis, training, ...

Are you C-SCRM ready?

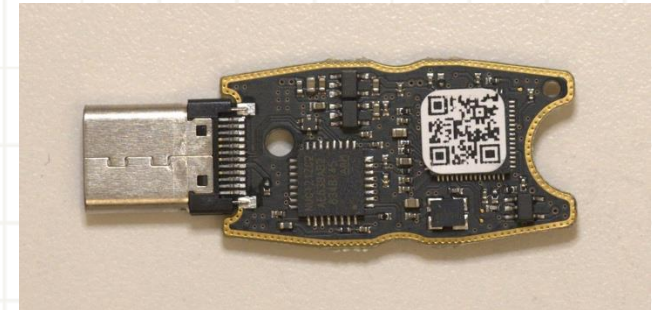
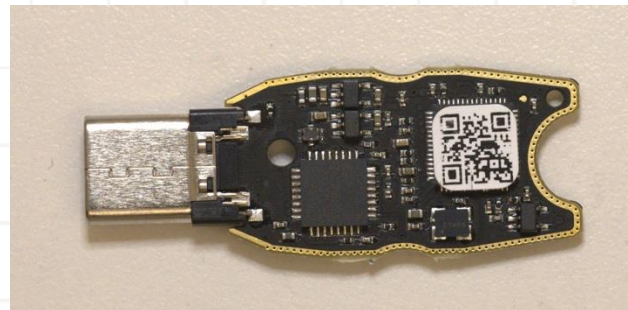
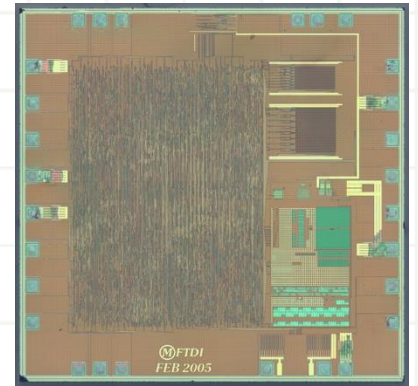
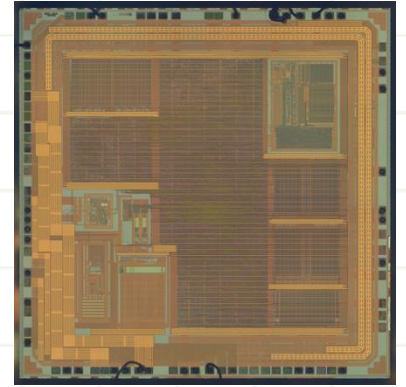
Supply Chain Cyber Tabletop Exercise

- Done at the VP & executive level
- Simulate 4 supply chain incidents (fraud, attacks, etc.)
- Learn about risk mitigation
- Duration: 3h + policy review
- Workflow:
 - Hold the TTX
 - Address findings
 - Repeat TTX



Conclusions

- Risk in the supply chain is often overlooked (especially fraud)
- New technology for incoming inspection is becoming available (*blackbox, unpowered, non-destructive*)
- Prepare your organization for new requirements and improve your posture



Q&A





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