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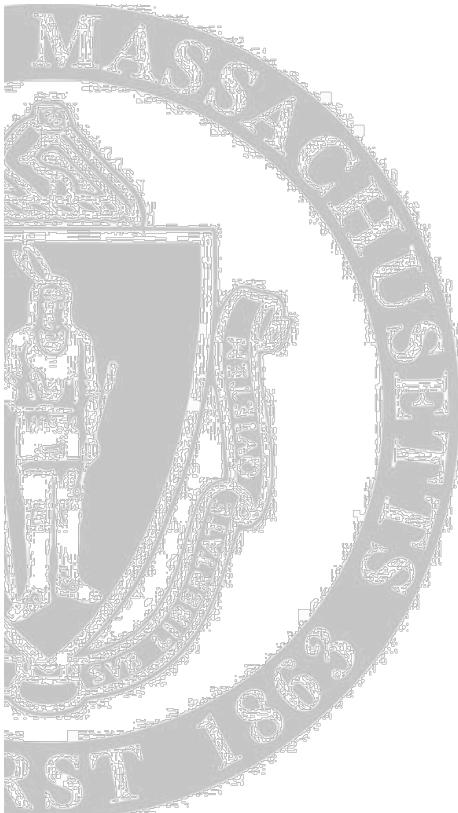
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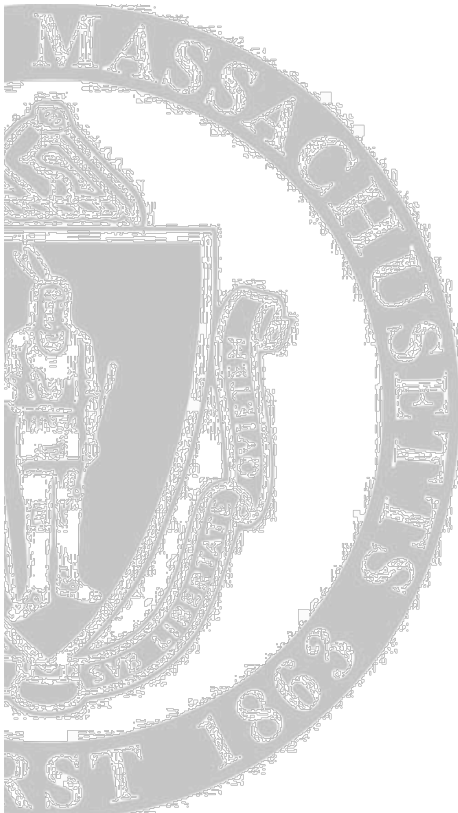
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 - Methods and systems for low-power storage for flash memory
 - Zero-Power Security for Implantable Medical Devices
- Received speaker reimbursements from Symantec
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Benefits of Medical Device Software

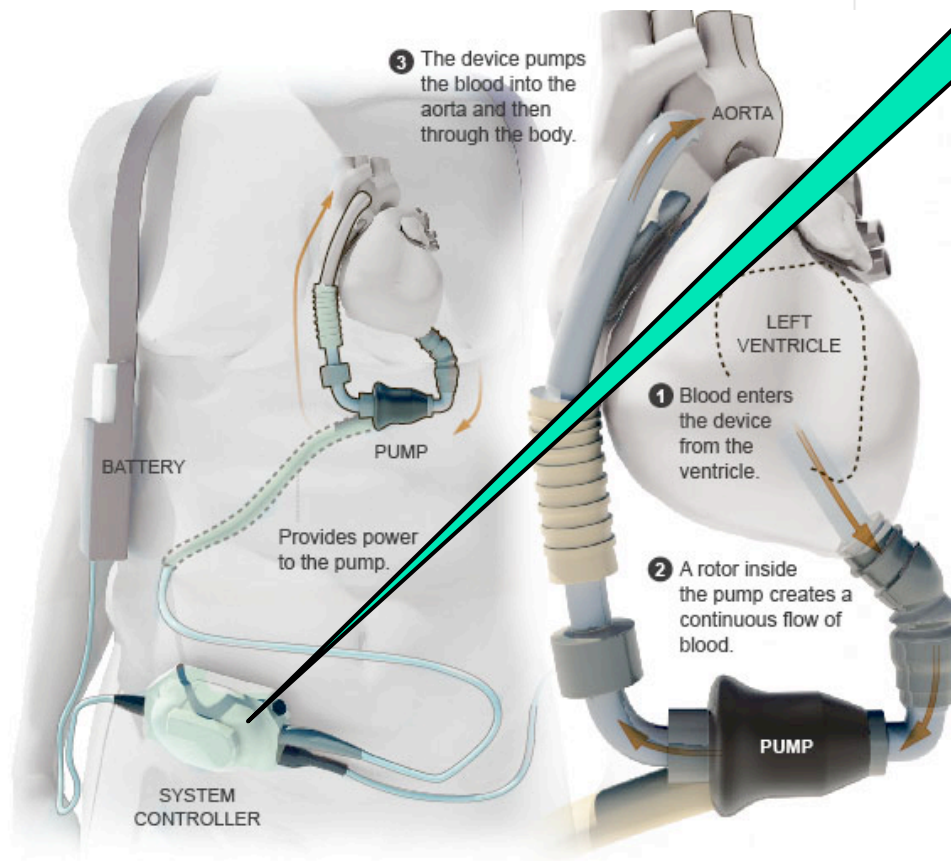
DOCTOR'S WORLD

A New Pumping Device Brings Hope for Cheney

By LAWRENCE K. ALTMAN, M.D.

Published: July 19, 2010

The New York Times July 19, 2010



Computer

“Recent reports show improvement over the earlier model mechanical hearts”



Source: NY Times, Thoratec

Without software,
many medical treatments
could not exist.



How does software interplay with safety and effectiveness?



How Much SW in Medical Devices?

- 1983-1997
 - 6% of all recalls attributed to SW
- 1999-2005
 - **Almost doubled:** 11.3% of all recalls attributed to SW
 - 49% of all recalled devices relied on software (up from 24%)
- 1991-2000
 - **Doubled:** # of pacemakers and ICDs recalled because of SW
- 2006
 - Milestone: Over half of medical devices now involve software
- 2002-2010
 - 537+ recalls of SW-based devices affecting 1,527,311+ devices



How preventable are software risks?



Implementation Errors



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BAXTER HEALTHCARE PTE. LTD. COLLEAGUE 3 CXE VOLUMETRIC INFUSION PUMP 80FRN

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Catalog Number 2M9163

Event Date 07/30/2007

Event Type Death **Patient Outcome** Death;

Manufacturer Narrative

Evaluation of the device indicates the reported condition of fail code 16:310 was confirmed but could not be duplicated during service. The pump passed power on self-test on ac. The front bezel was opened & a visual inspection of all wires, harness connections, and user interface module printed circuit board was performed. The master and slave software programmable read only memory were found inserted correctly. No visual damage was found. The batteries had 10 charge/discharge cycles & 0 discharges below alarm threshold. The pump passed the keypad test. The device has been returned to baxter technical service for repair. The **buffer overflow** issue resulting in failure code 16:310 found in the software version utilized in colleague infusion pumps has been found to be repeatable in a specific clinical situation, and has resulted in multiple patient adverse events over a short period of time following initiation of deployment of this software version in the us. The issue is caused by an overflow in the memory buffer that feeds the main processor. The c2006 software version includes several changes that have increase the utilization level of this buffer, resulting in a higher probability of overflow. For the



Implementation Errors

- Infusion pump: Underdosed patient experienced
 - increased intracranial pressure
 - followed by brain death
- Factor: Buffer overflow shut down infusion pump
 - Failure **difficult to reproduce** during service
 - Software upgrade tickled the coding error
- Caused failure of drug infusion
 - propofol (sedation/anesthetic)
 - levophed (blood pressure)
 - insulin



The screenshot displays the FDA's MAUDE (Medical Device Adverse Event Reporting System) database. The header shows the FDA logo and navigation links. The search results page for 'COLLEAGUE 3 CXE VOLUMETRIC INFUSION PUMP 80FRN' is shown, with a 'Back to Search Results' link. The report details include the catalog number 2M9163, event date 07/30/2007, and event type 'Death'. The manufacturer narrative describes a buffer overflow issue in the c2006 software version, which caused the pump to fail and led to a patient's death. The narrative also mentions that the issue was not reproducible during service and that a software upgrade was required.



Many software risks
can be mitigated with
known technology.

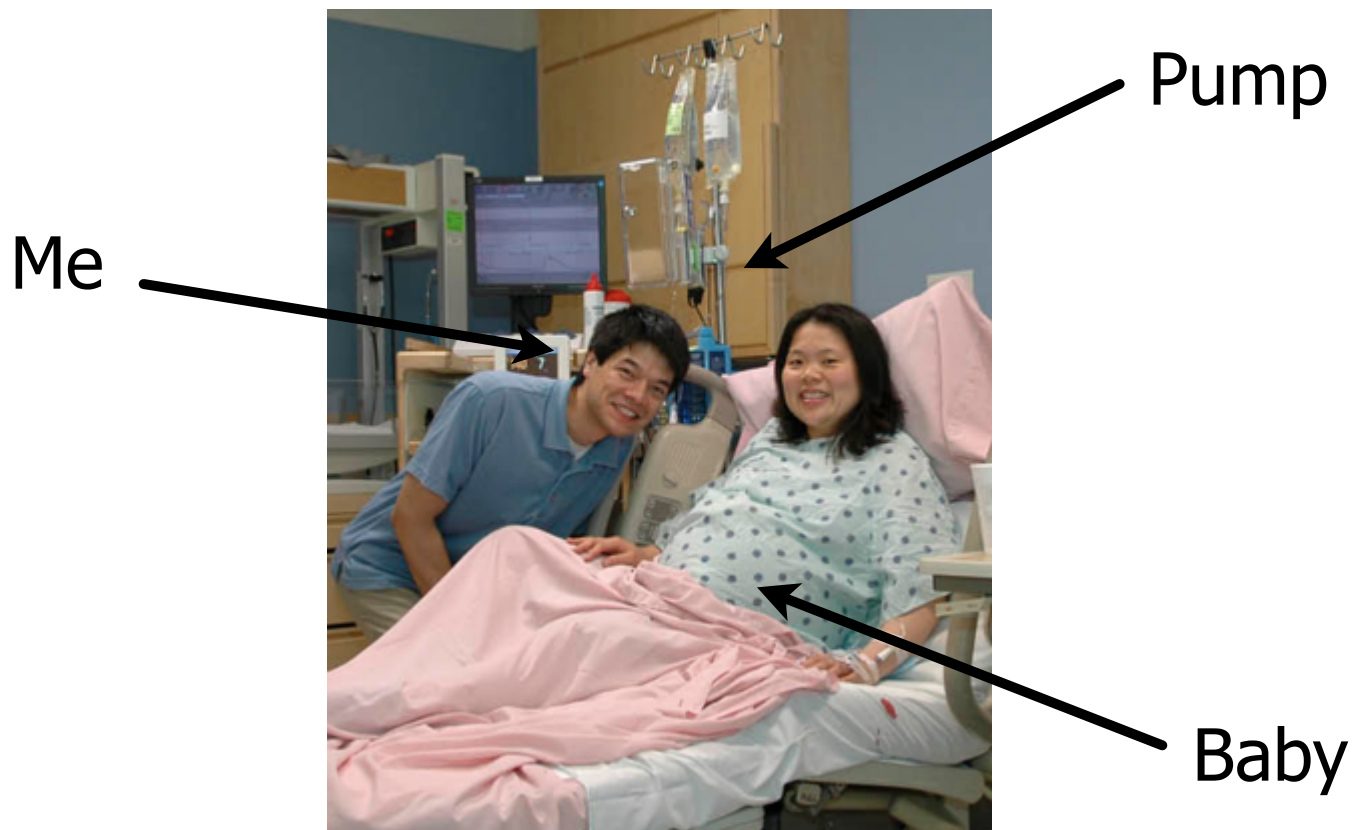


What about human factors and software?



Infusion Pump UI and Software

- Used safely and effectively every day, but...
- Linked to **500+ deaths** and 56,000 adverse events



[US Recall News]



Pump+SW Problems=Deadly Cocktail

- "... 710 patient deaths linked to problems with the devices ... either because a hospital worker **entered incorrect dosage** data into a pump or because the device's **software malfunctioned**."

[Barry Meier, NY Times, 4/23/2010]



User Interface: Timing is Everything

01/01/2000 01:00

SynchroMed B Infusion Mode

Priming Bolus + Simple Cont.

Tubing Volume
① 0.260 mL

Catheter Volume
② 0.152 mL

Total Prime Volume
③ 0.412 mL

Concentration
x 10.0 mg/mL ④

Priming Bolus Dose
= 4.120 mg ⑤

Bolus Duration
⑥ 00:20:12 hh:mm:ss

Dose Per Day
⑦ 2.000 mg/day

Dose Per Hour
⑧ 0.083 mg/hr

Current Pump Settings

Drug Name	Concentration
WATER	1 000.0 µL/mL

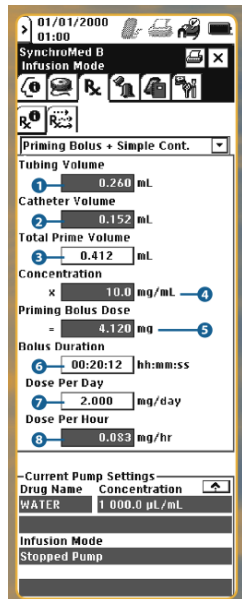
Infusion Mode
Stopped Pump



[Photos: Medtronic]



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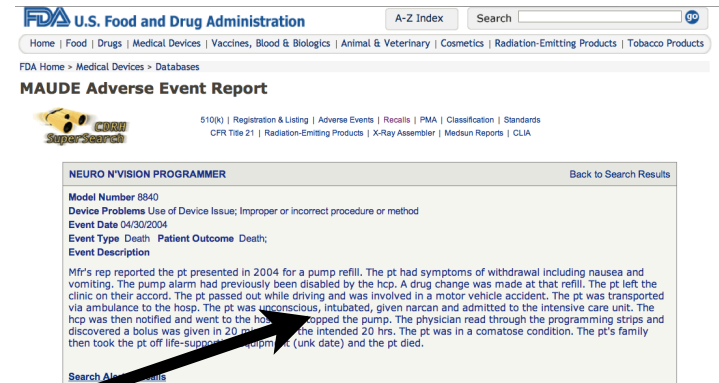
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Model Number 6840
Device Problems Use of Device Issue; Improper or incorrect procedure or method
Event Date 04/30/2004
Event Type Death Patient Outcome Death
Event Description
Mfr's rep reported the pt presented in 2004 for a pump refill. The pt had symptoms of withdrawal including nausea and vomiting. The pump alarm had previously been disabled by the hcp. A drug change was made at that refill. The pt left the clinic on their accord. The pt passed out while driving and was involved in a motor vehicle accident. The pt was transported via ambulance to the hosp. The pt was unconscious, intubated, given narcotic and admitted to the intensive care unit. The hcp was then notified and went to the hosp. The hcp stopped the pump. The physician read through the programming strips and discovered a bolus was given in 20 min versus the intended 20 hrs. The pt was in a comatose condition. The pt's family then took the pt off life-support (date) and the pt died.

Search Alerts

HCP: “discovered a bolus was given in 20 **min** versus the intended 20 **hrs**”

FDA: “...software... did not provide a label for the hours/minutes/seconds fields; the new software has this labeling.”



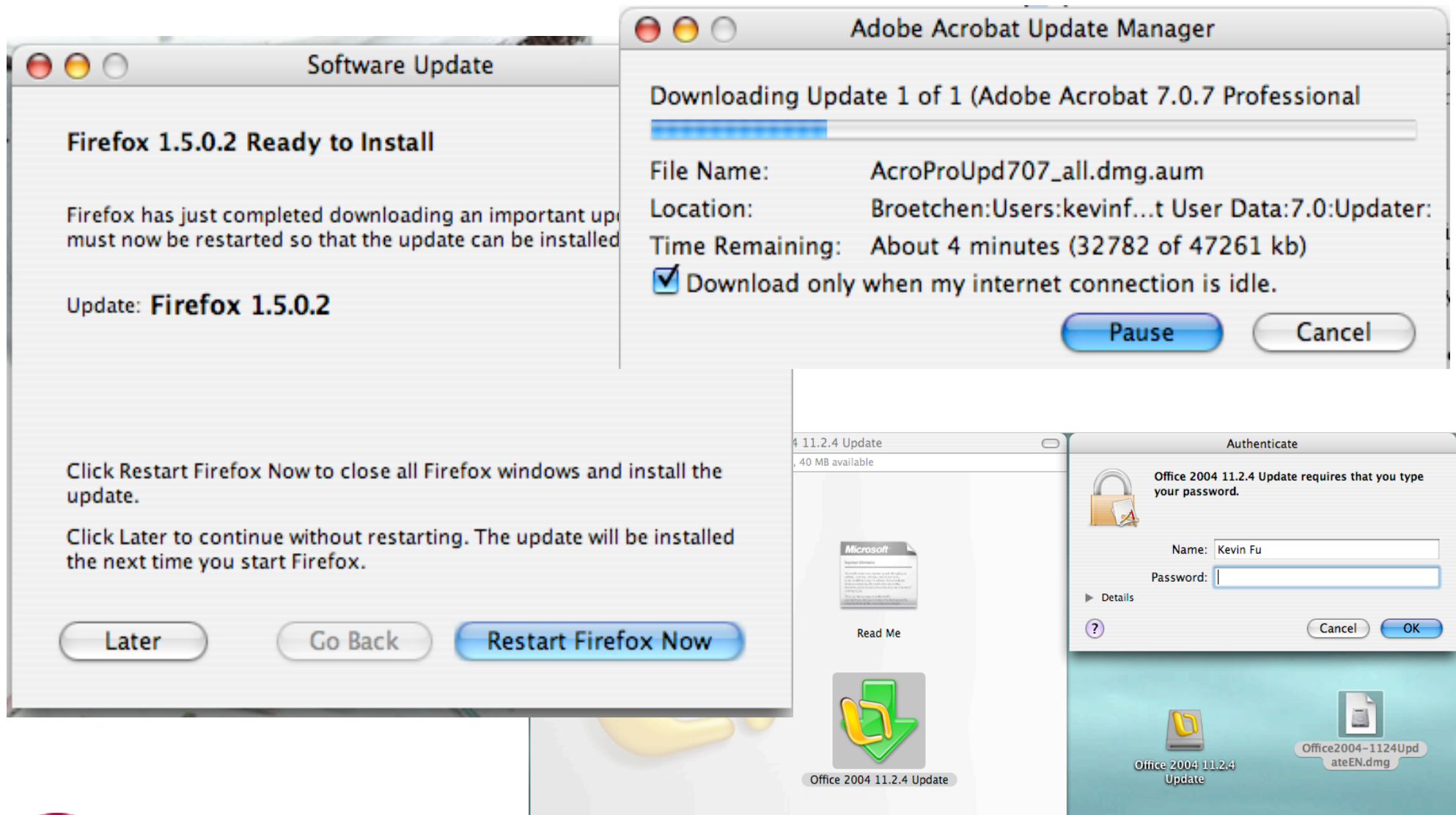
**Better analysis of human
factors in SW could
prevent injury and death.**



How does software maintenance affect trustworthiness?



Dirty Secrets: SW Maintenance



Software Update Woes

- Health Information Technology (HIT) devices globally rendered unavailable
- Cause: Automated software update went haywire
- Numerous hospitals were affected April 21, 2010
 - Rhode Island: a third of the hospitals were forced ``to postpone elective surgeries and stop treating patients without traumas in emergency rooms.”
 - Upstate University Hospital in New York: 2,500 of the 6,000 computers were affected.

THE VANCOUVER SUN

Web-security giant McAfee paralyzes computers at hospitals, universities worldwide with update



What software risks are on the horizon?



Viruses on Radiology Equipment?

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FUJIFILM MEDICAL SYSTEM USA, INC. IIP COMPUTED RADIOGRAPHY READER AND WORKSTATION

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Model Number IIP

Event Date 06/13/2009

Event Type Malfunction

Event Description

Delay in treatment related to equipment failure on 4 patients. The images were frozen on the list and would not transmit on the fuji reader equipment. The system was rebooted without change. A few hours later the system was again shut down and rebooted and the images then did transfer. Images were repeated on equipment in another department. The next day the same issue occurred with 4 more patients and the system was shut down to await evaluation by the manufacturer. This problem was traced to a computer virus (conficker) which was found to be affecting 6 fuji cr units. The hospital's imaging service engineer applied a microsoft patch (ms08-067) to the 6 fuji units to prevent the virus from re-infecting the systems. Subsequent to this problem one of the fuji units experienced a shutdown, which was repaired by replacement of a defective power supply. This failure is not thought to be related to the virus issue.

“over 122 medical devices have been compromised by malware over the last 14 months”

Statement of The Honorable Roger W. Baker

[House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations,
Hearing on Assessing Information Security at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs]



Achoo!



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How significant are
intentional,
malicious
malfunctions
in software?



The Tylenol Scare of 1982

The Tylenol Terrorist

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By Rachael Bell

The Tylenol Terrorist: Death in a Bottle



Extra-Strength Tylenol package

On September 29, 1982, 12-year-old Mary Kellerman of Elk Grove Village, Illinois, woke up at dawn and went into her parents' bedroom. She did not feel well and complained of having a sore throat and a runny nose. To ease her discomfort, her parents gave her one Extra-Strength Tylenol capsule. At 7 a.m. they found Mary on the bathroom floor. She was immediately taken to the hospital where she was later pronounced dead. Doctors initially suspected that Mary died from a stroke, but evidence later pointed to a more sinister diagnosis.

Fatal tampering case is renewed

FBI searches a condo in Cambridge



FBI agents carrying items seized from an apartment building on Gore Street in Cambridge walked out before a phalanx of television photographers. Five boxes and a computer were removed, but the FBI would not comment on their contents. (JIM DAVIS/GLOBE STAFF)

February 5, 2009

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This story was reported by Jonathan Saltzman, John R. Ellement, Milton J. Valencia, and David Abel of the Globe staff. It was written by Saltzman.

Discuss
COMMENTS (5)

CAMBRIDGE -- FBI agents and State Police investigators searched a Cambridge condominium yesterday that is the longtime home of a leading suspect in the 1982 deaths of seven people from cyanide-laced Tylenol capsules in the Chicago area, one of the most notorious unsolved crimes in the last generation.



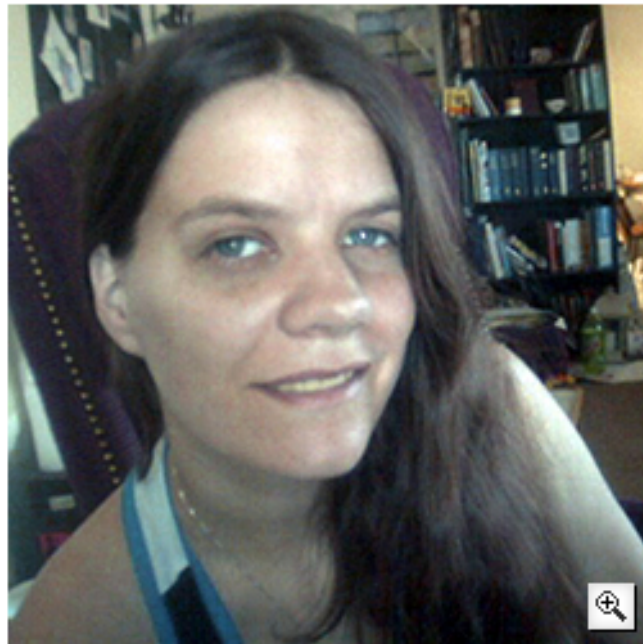
[Source: truTV crime library]

Bad People Do Exist

Hackers Assault Epilepsy Patients via Computer

By Kevin Poulsen 

03.28.08 | 8:00 PM



RyAnne Fultz, 33, says she suffered her worst epileptic attack in a year after she clicked on the wrong post at a forum run by the nonprofit Epilepsy Foundation. *Photo courtesy RyAnne Fultz*

Internet griefers descended on an epilepsy support message board last weekend and used JavaScript code and flashing computer animation to trigger migraine headaches and seizures in some users.

The nonprofit [Epilepsy Foundation](#), which runs the forum, briefly closed the site Sunday to purge the offending messages and to boost security.

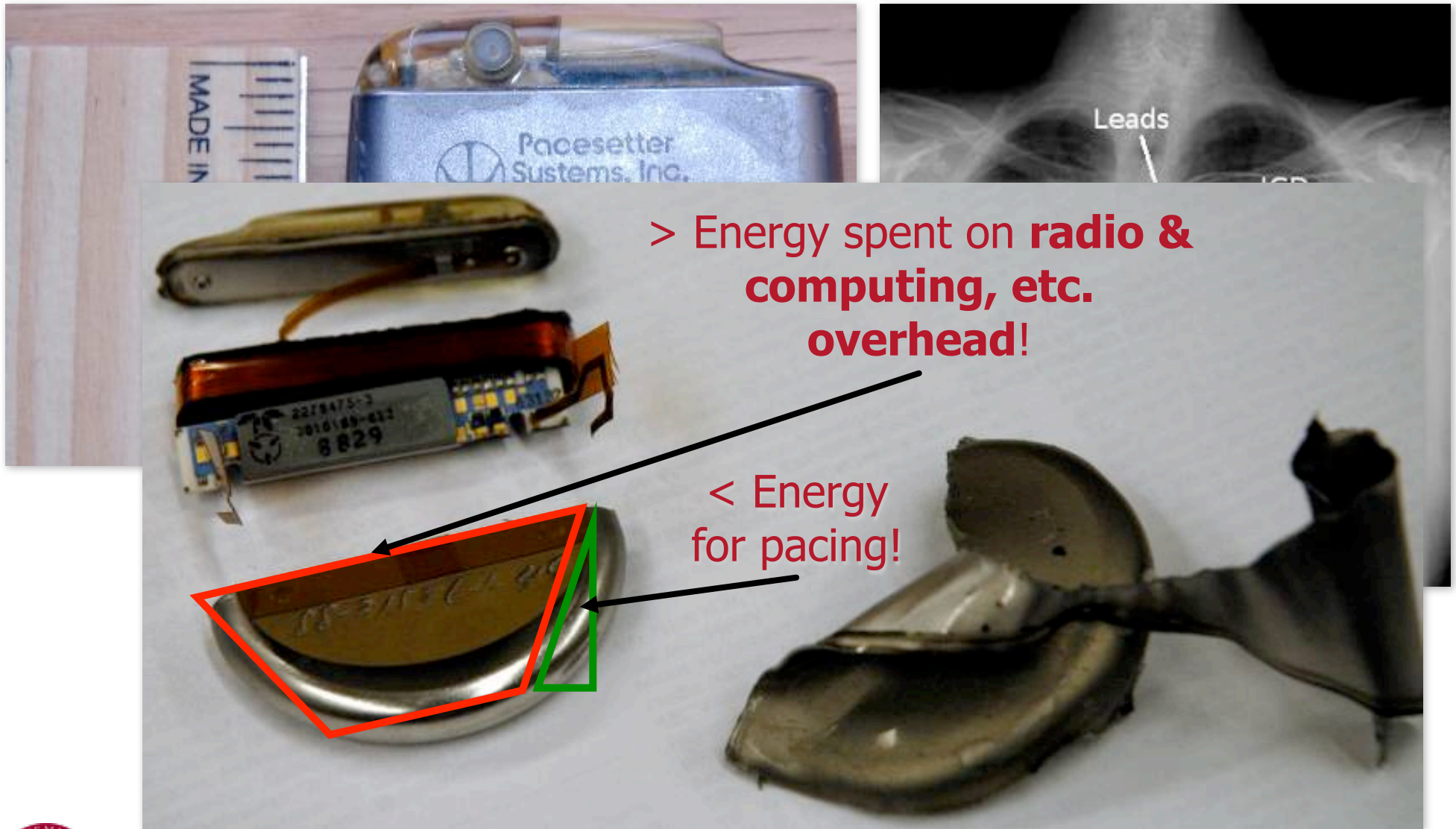
"We are seeing people affected," says Ken Lowenberg, senior director of web and print publishing at the Epilepsy Foundation. "It's fortunately only a handful. It's possible that people are just not reporting yet -- people affected by it may not be coming back to the forum so fast."

The incident, possibly the first computer attack to inflict physical harm on the victims, began Saturday, March 22, when attackers used a script to post hundreds of messages embedded with flashing animated gifs.

The attackers turned to a more effective tactic on Sunday, injecting JavaScript into some posts that redirected users' browsers to a page with a more complex image designed to trigger seizures in both photosensitive and pattern-sensitive epileptics.

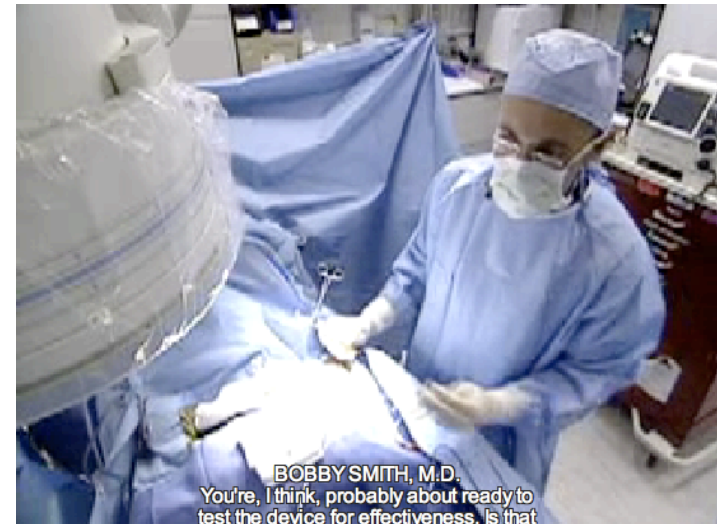


Pacemakers: Regulate heartbeat



Implantation Scenario

1. Doctor sets patient info
2. Surgically implants
3. Tests defibrillation
4. Ongoing monitoring



Photos: Medtronic; Video: or-live.com

Privacy??

Implanting
physician

Diagnosis

Hospital

Also:

Device state

Patient name

Date of birth

Make & model

Serial no.

... and more

Wirelessly Induce Fatal Heart Rhythm



ICD software allows wireless induction of ventricular fibrillation

[Halperin et al., IEEE Symposium on Security & Privacy 2008]



HIT + Wireless + Internet +
Interoperability + Mobility
=
Security & Privacy Risks



So now what?



Experimental platforms



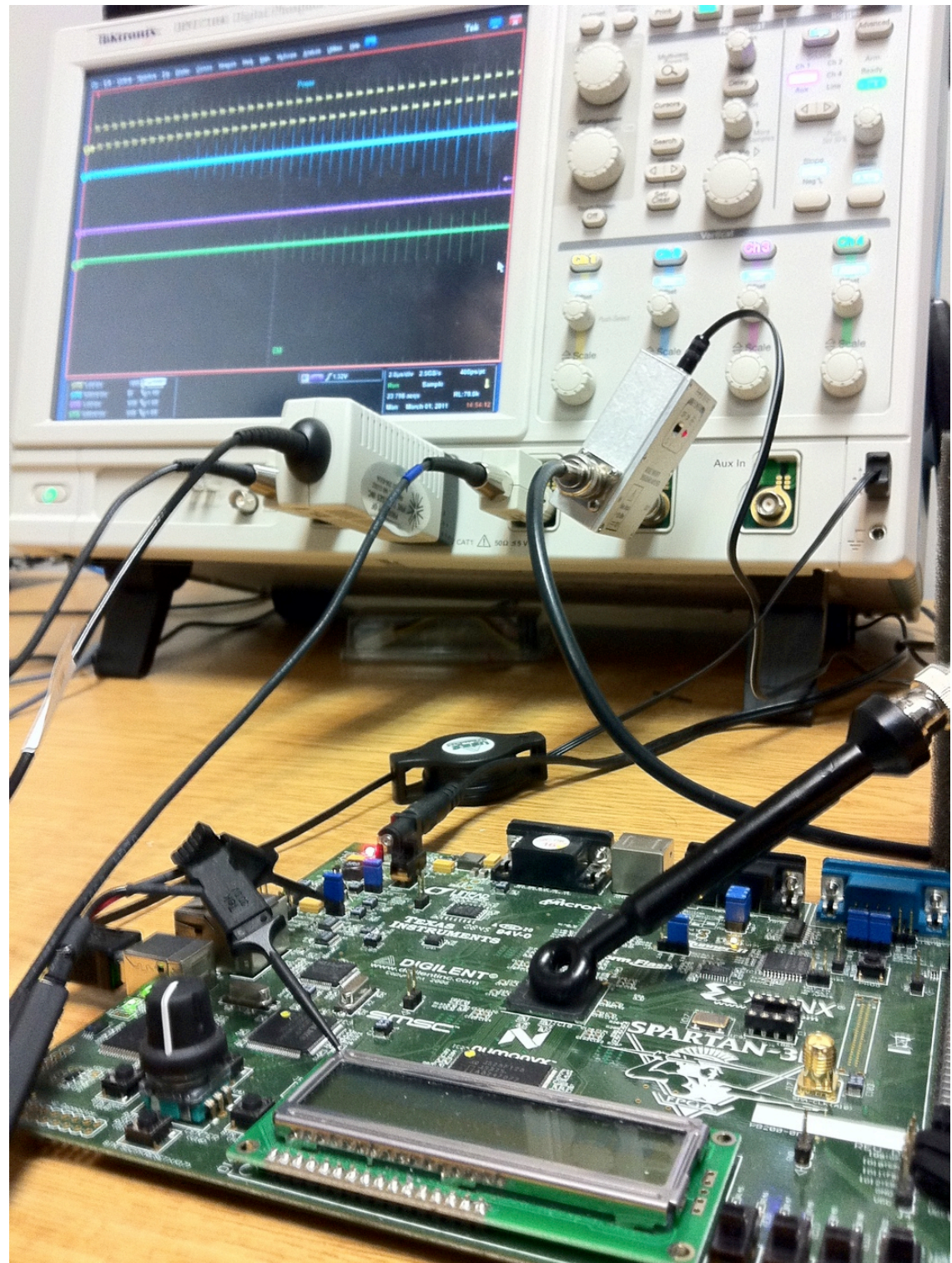
Post-market analysis



Open Medical Device Research Library

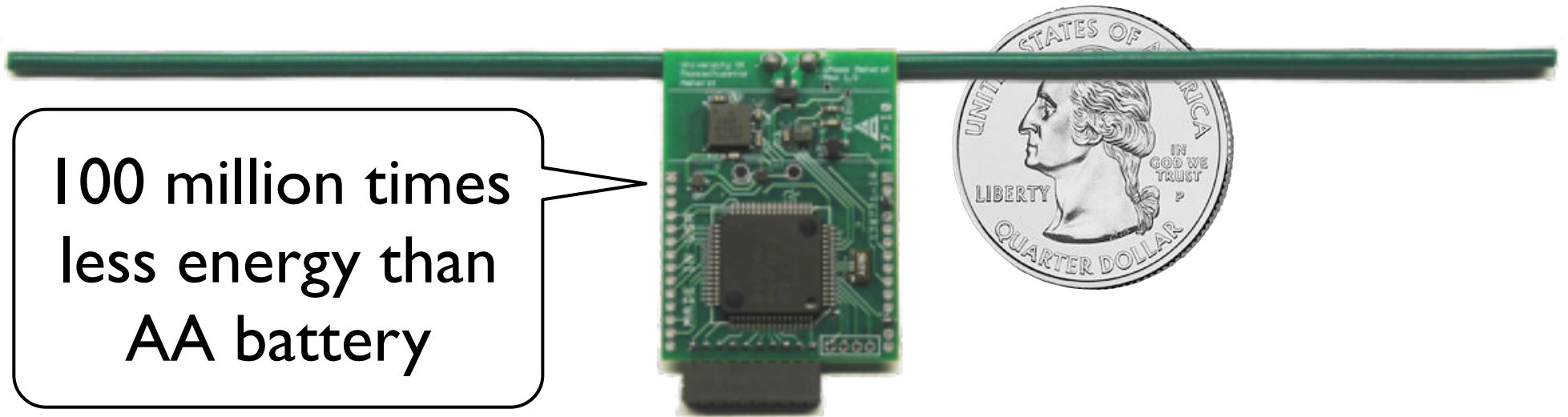


EM and Power Analysis



RFID-Scale Computing Platforms

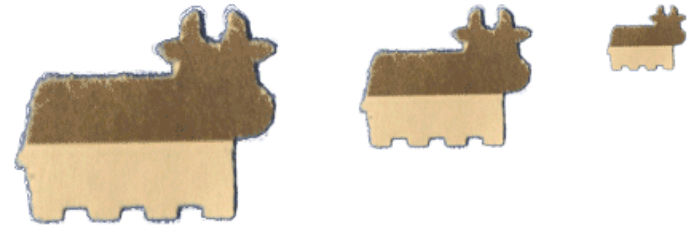
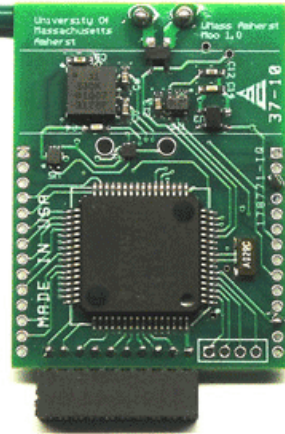
100 million times
less energy than
AA battery



<http://spqr.cs.umass.edu/moo/>



UMass Moo: Batteryless Programmable RFID-Scale Sensor Device

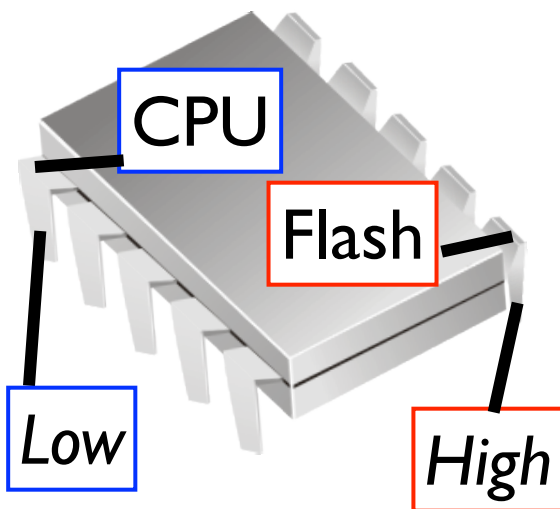


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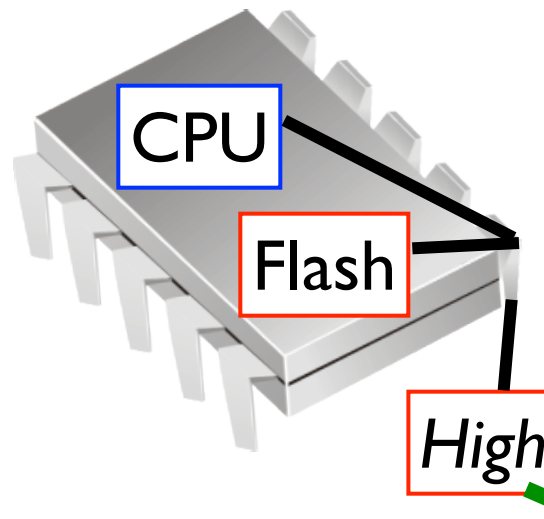
Get your herd of Moos!

Smarter Storage for Low-Power Devices

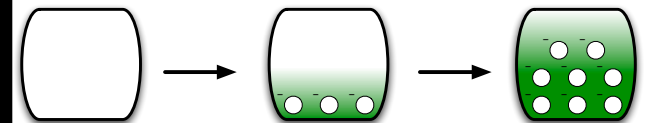
Ideal



Actual



In-Place Writes



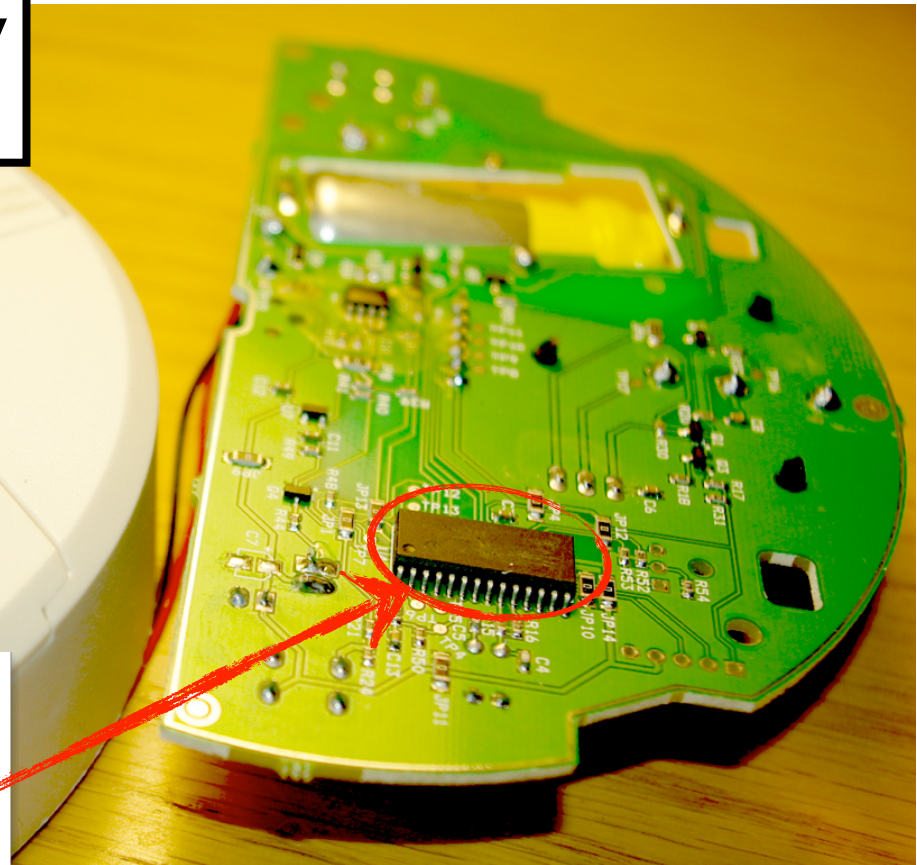
34%
Energy Savings

Low Voltage

Exploiting Half-Wits: Smarter Storage for Low-Power Devices
[Salajegheh et al. USENIX FAST 2011]

On-chip Flash

2.2 V vs. 4.5 V

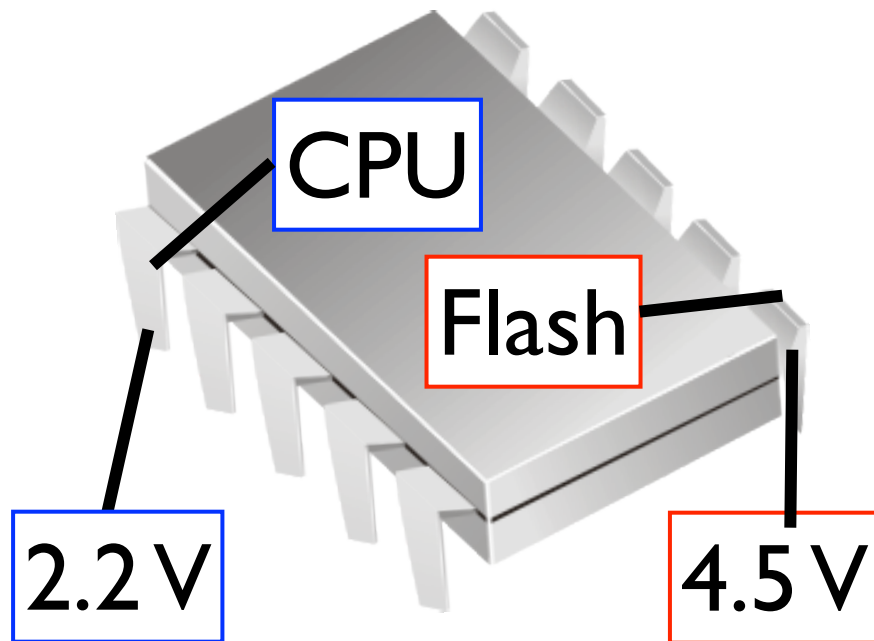


Microcontroller with
8KB Embedded Flash
Memory



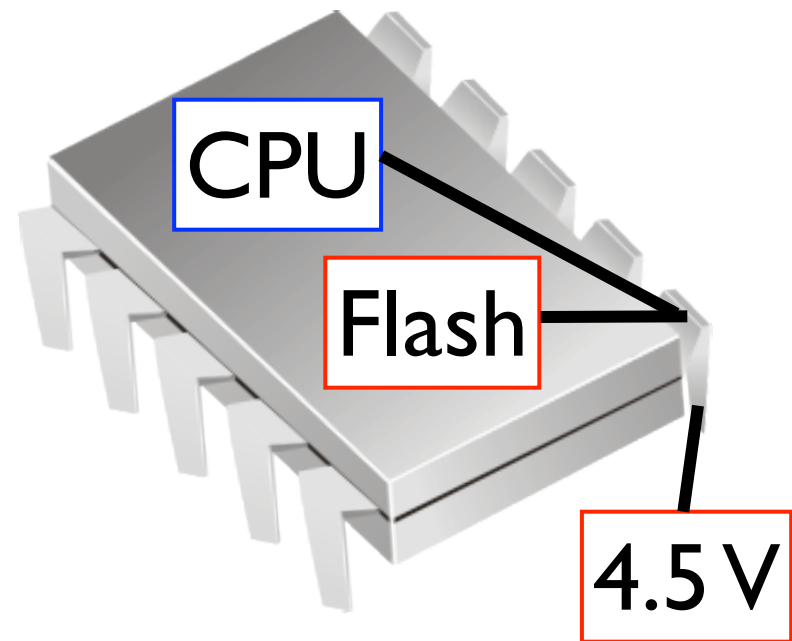
MICROCHIP

Ideal



Energy \propto Workload

Actual



Energy \propto Worst case

Our Approach

Savings: Low-voltage

Write to flash
memory at low
voltage.



Cost: Errors

How hard is it
to correct the
errors?

Write once bits (Wits) [Rivest:82]



Partial Failure at Low Voltage

- Example:

Initialized:

| | | | | | | |

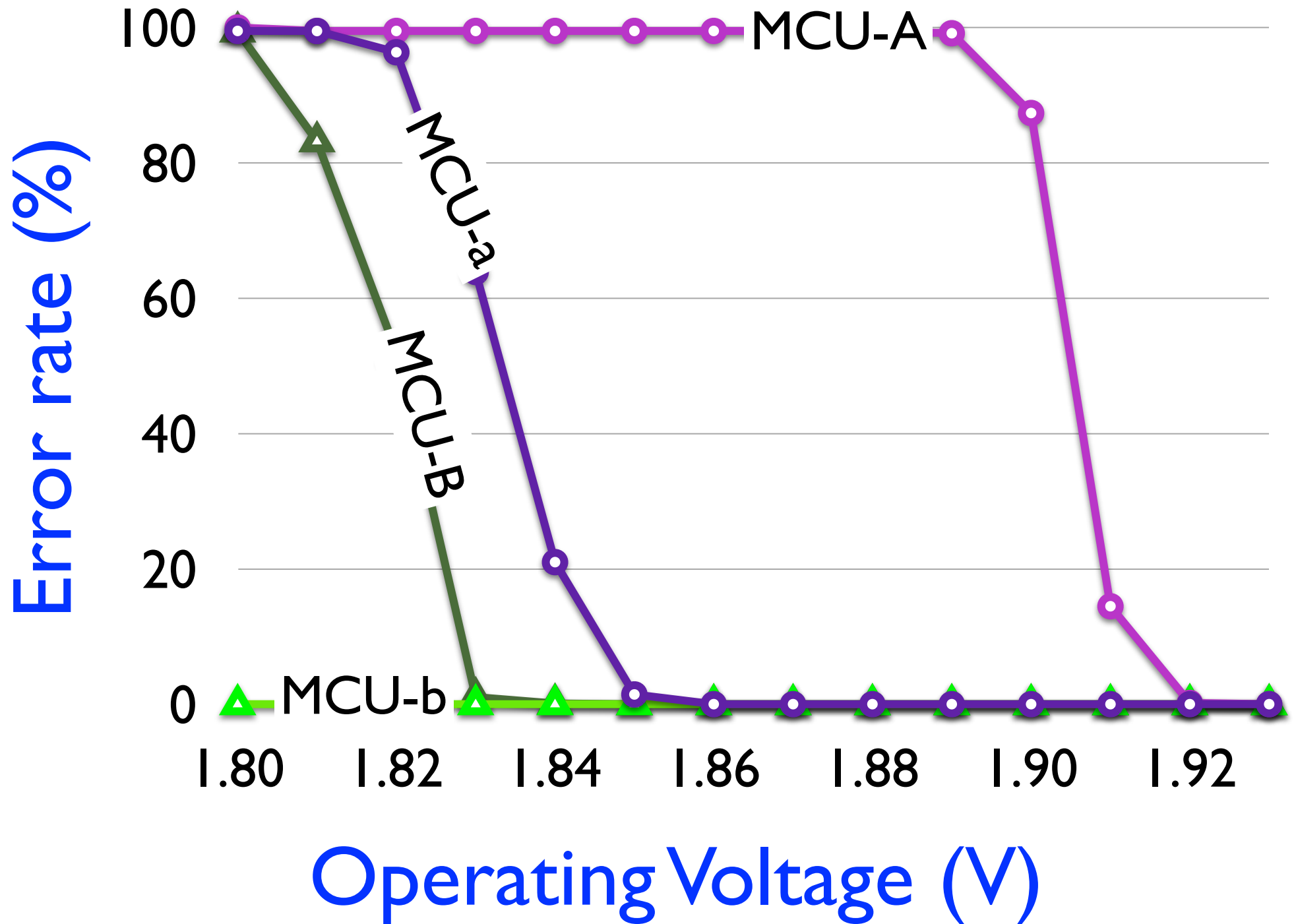
Input:

| | | | | | 0 0

Result:

| | | | | | 0 1

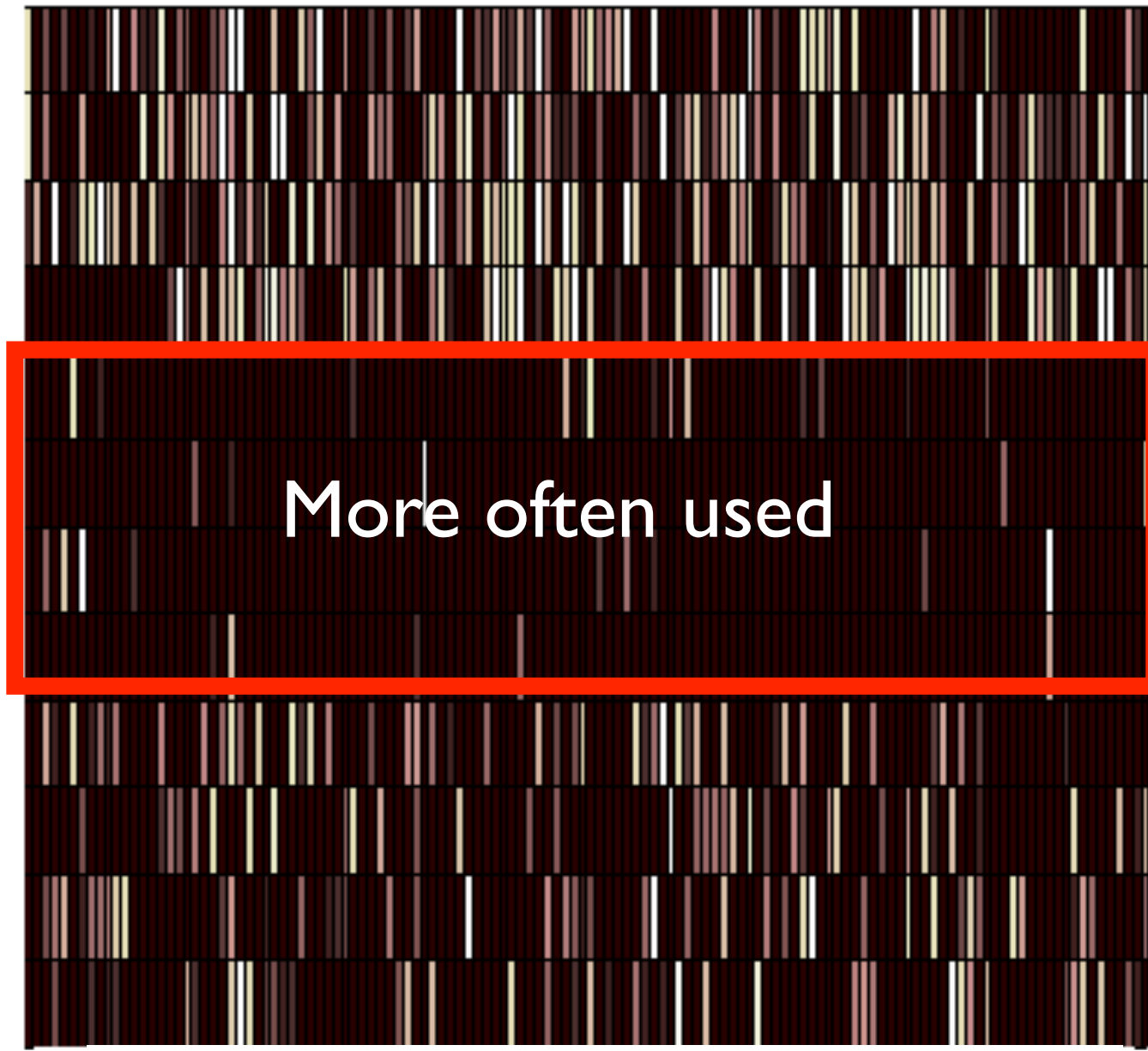
Error



Voltage = 1.850 V

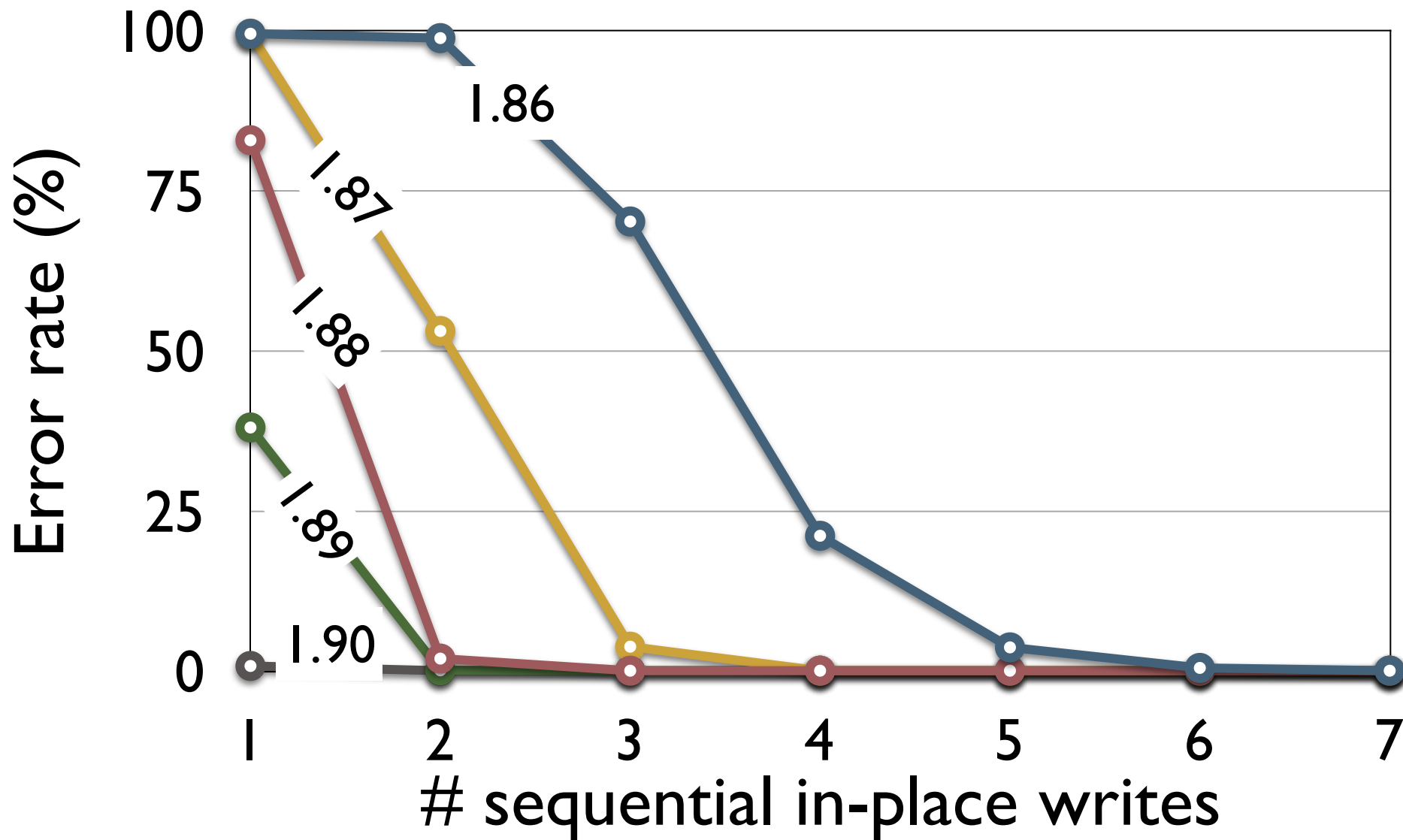
Error (%)

12 rows (memory length)

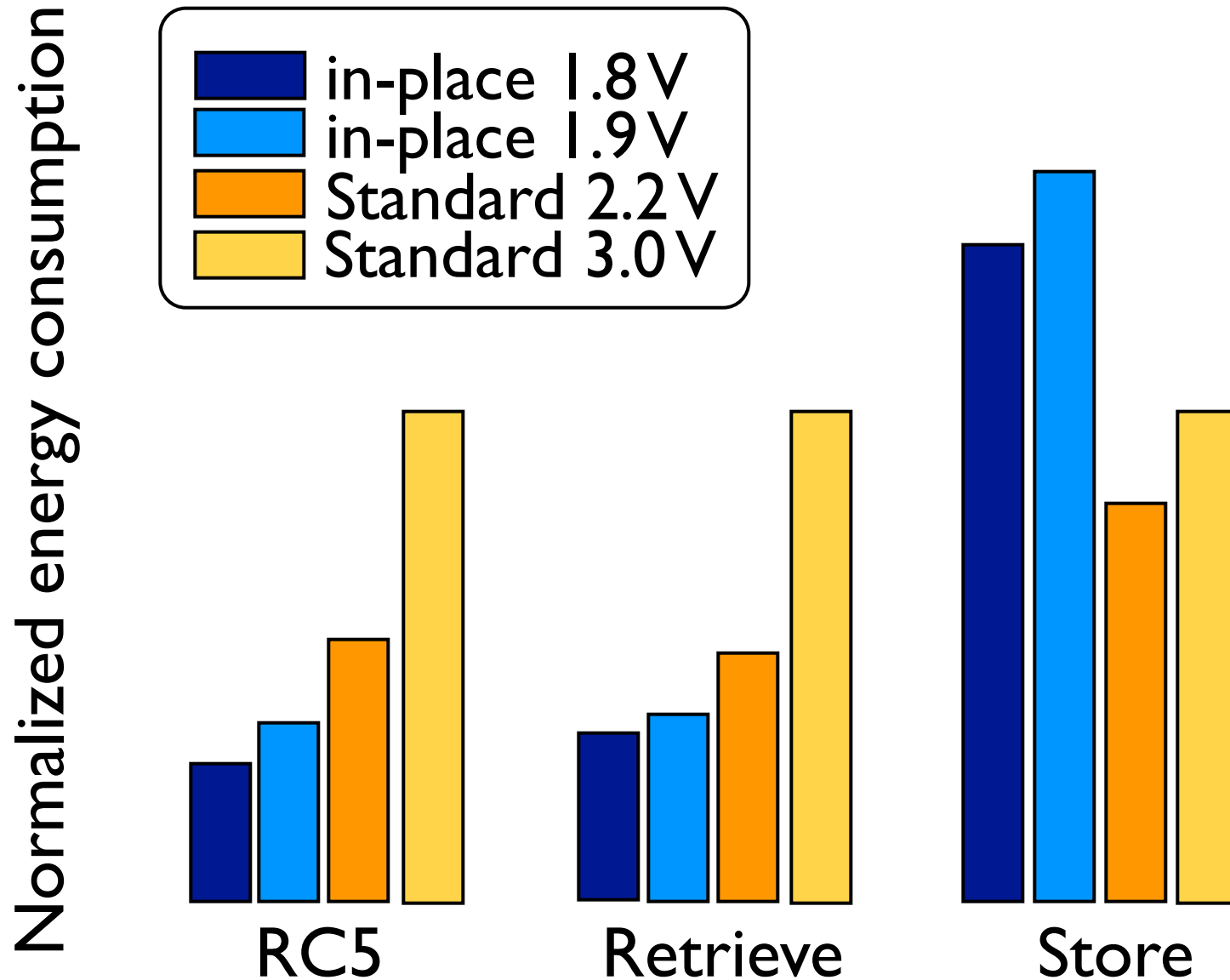


128 bits (memory width)

In-place writes



Half-wits Vs. Wits



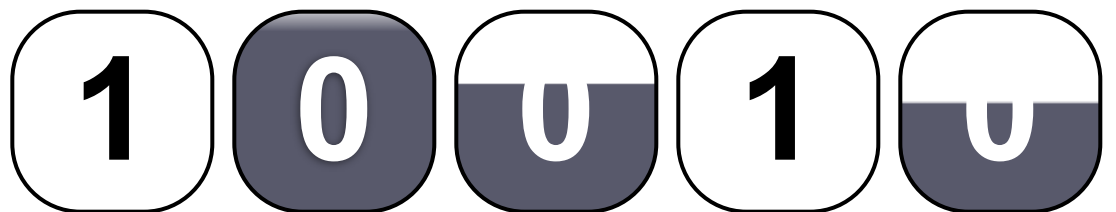
Accumulative Behavior



figure: steynian.wordpress.com

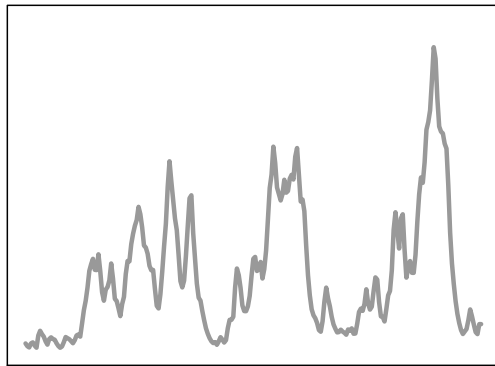
Summary of Half Wits:

- In-place writes on half-wits is an effective way to reduce wasted energy.
- Microcontrollers can work at a lower voltage and get more work done with the same amount of energy.
- The digital abstractions pay a higher price than necessary to provide reliability.

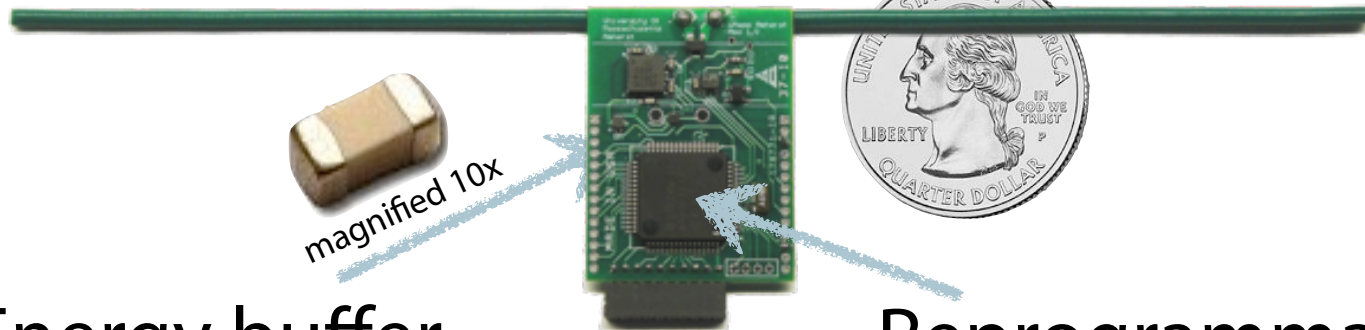


RFID-Scale Devices

1. Emerging Platform



Radio (RF) harvester



magnified 10x

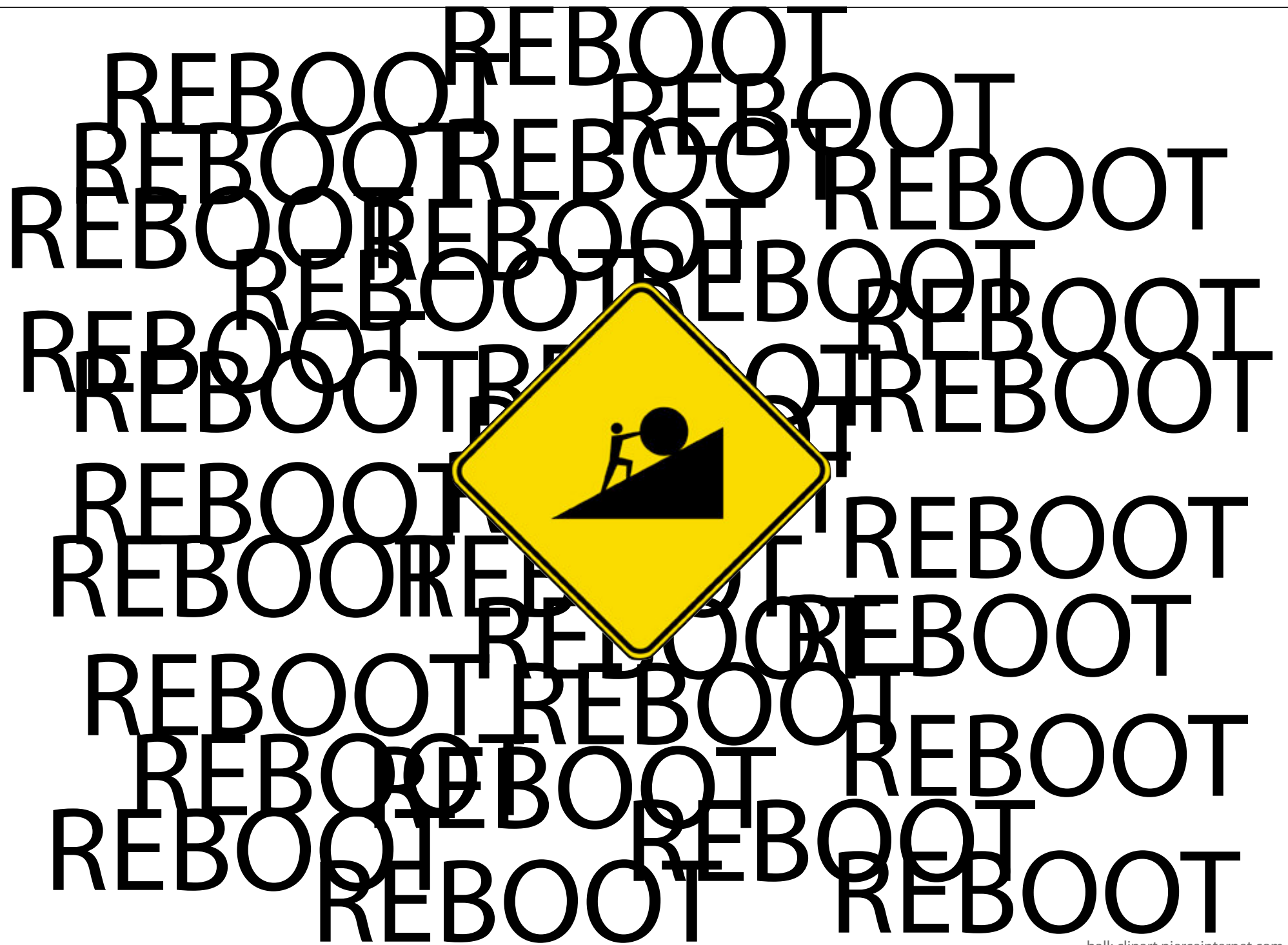
Energy buffer
(capacitor)

Reprogrammable
microcontroller (~ 1 MHz)
w/ on-chip flash

Fills quickly,
low capacity



Frequent reboots



ball: clipart.pierceinternet.com

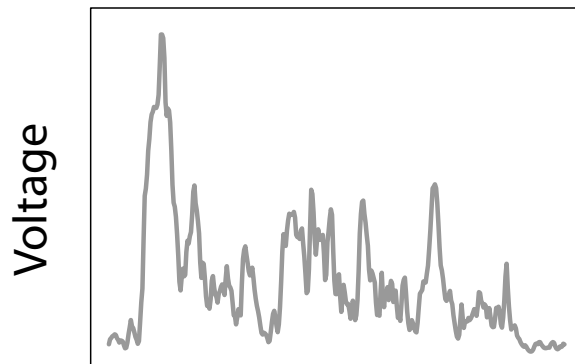
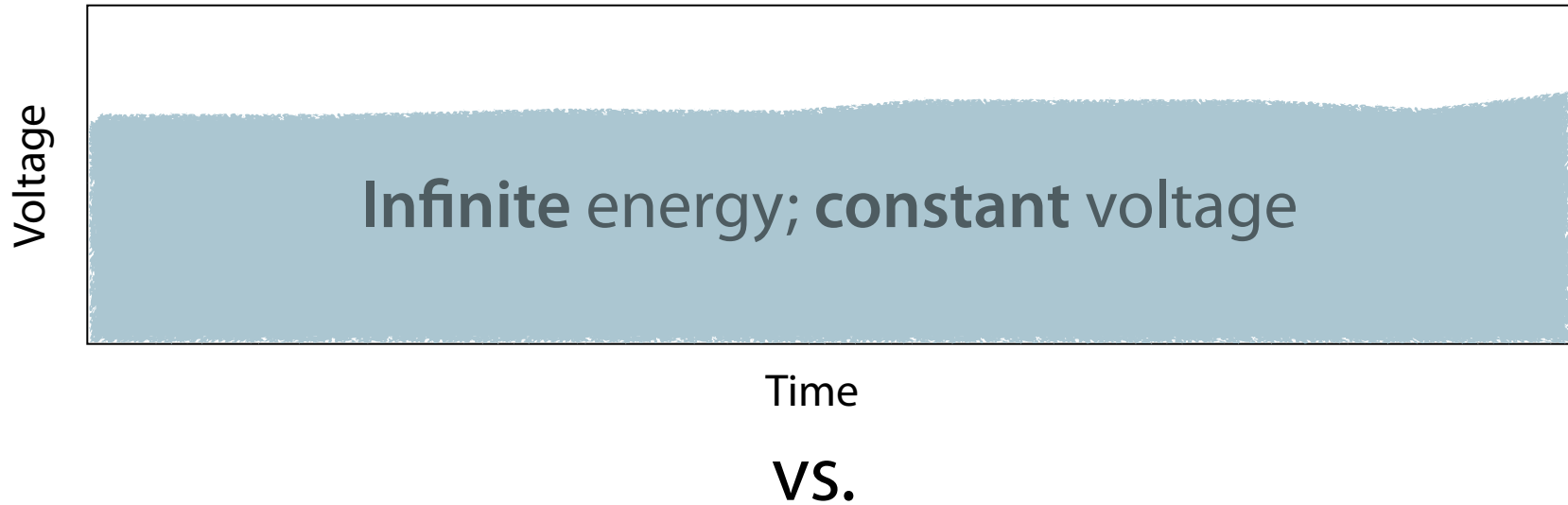
Robustness Under RF Harvesting



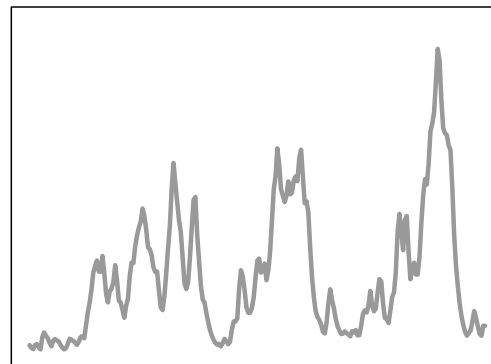
300 ms

- Typical approach: constrain the problem
- **Mementos:** relax constraints to make general-purpose computation feasible

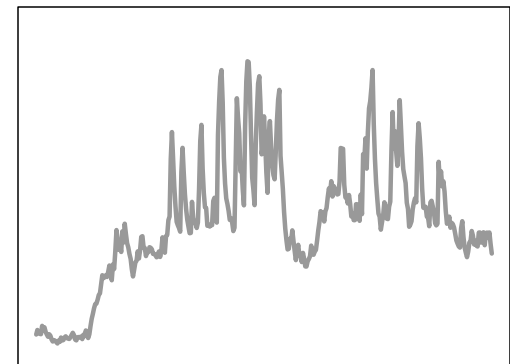
Unpredictable Energy Morass



(40 seconds)

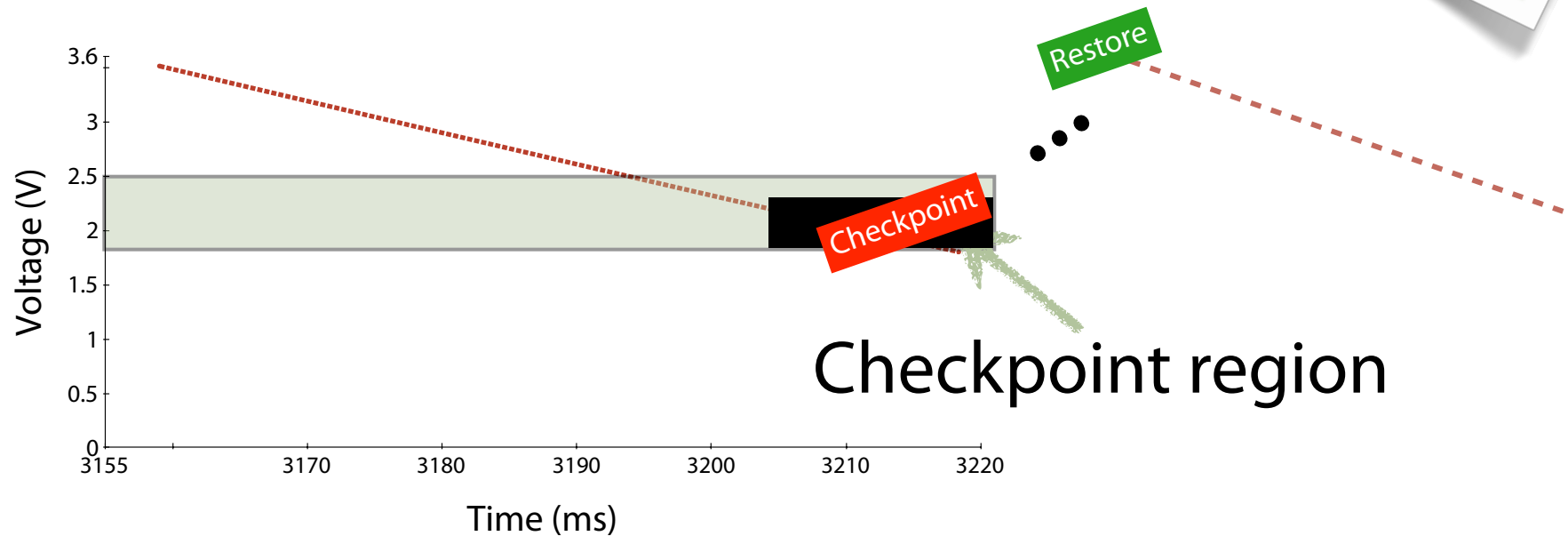


Time



Mementos Approach

2. Robustness Mechanism



- Checkpoint when failure appears imminent
- Spread computation across reboots



Movie poster: publispain.com

How to Use Mementos

Programmer

Mementos (our contributions)

Write
C code



Choose
params

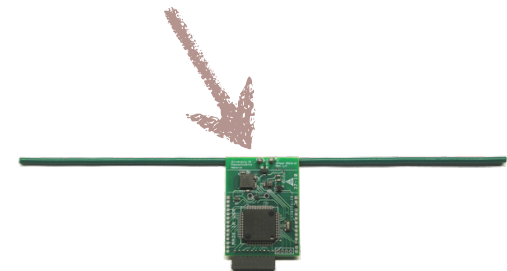
Instrument w/ energy checks
(via LLVM passes)



Simulate program



Suggest params



Choosing Parameters (1/2)

Programmer

Write
C code



Choose
params

1) Instrumentation strategy

```
crc-vanilla.c (/opt/mementos/src/mementos/samples) - VIM
unsigned short crc16_ccitt(volatile unsigned char *data, unsigned short crc_16)
{
    register unsigned short i, j;
    unsigned short crc_16;

    crc_16 = 0xFFFFu; // Equivalent Preset to 0x1D0F
    for (i=0; i<n; i++) {
        crc_16 ^= data[i] << 8;
        for (j = 0; j < 8; ++j) {
            if (crc_16 & 0x8000) {
                crc_16 <<= 1;
                crc_16 ^= 0x1021; // (CCITT) x16 + x12 + x5 + 1
            } else {
                crc_16 <<= 1;
            }
        }
    }
    return(crc_16 ^ 0xFFFFu);
}
```

Checkpoint?

Checkpoint?

/opt/mementos/src/mementos/samples/crc-vanilla.c [c] [#1]

Choosing Parameters (2/2)

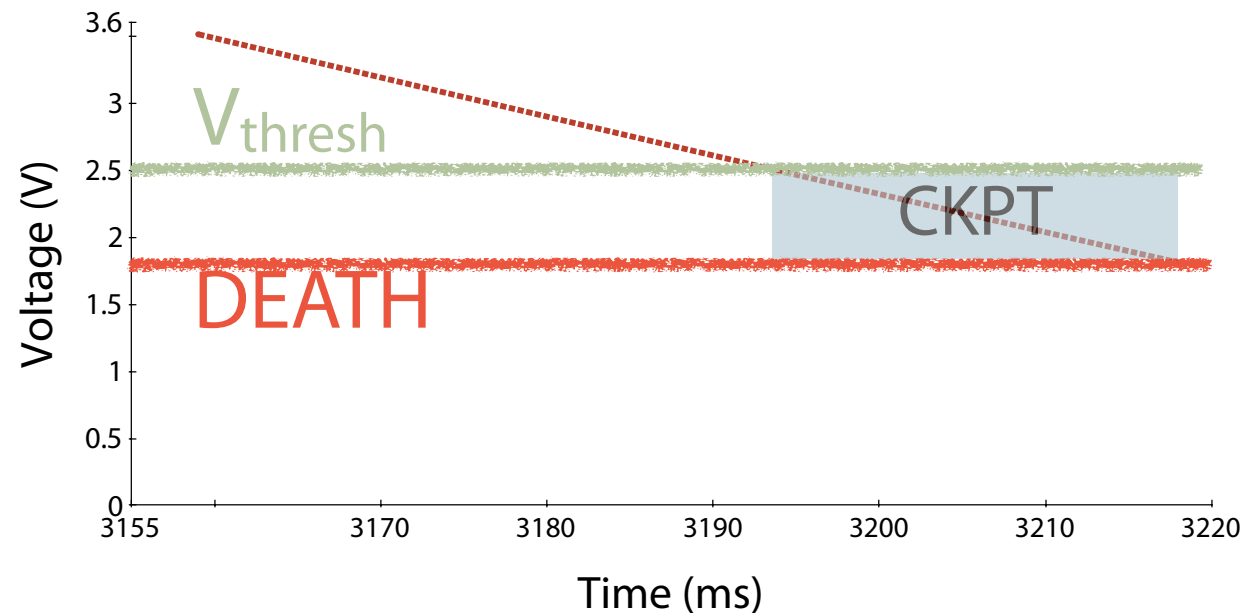
Programmer

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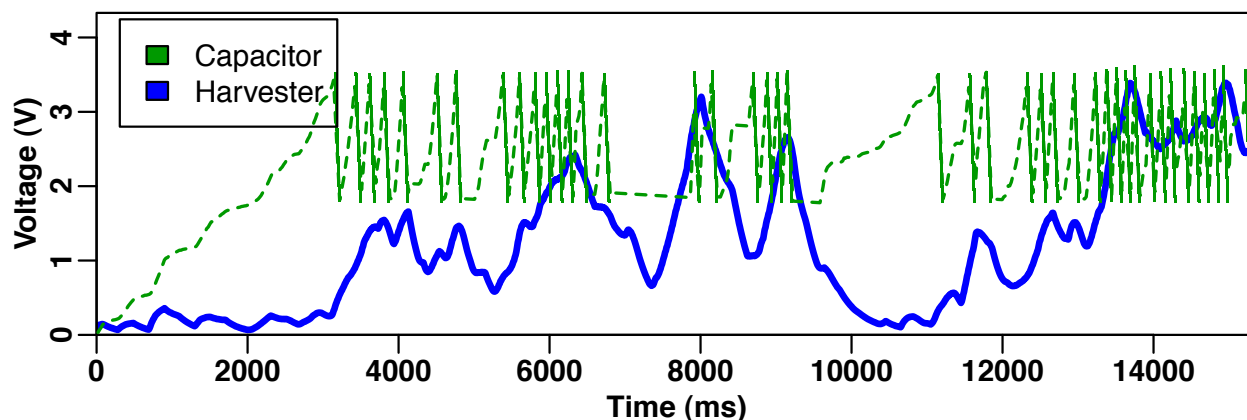


Choose
params

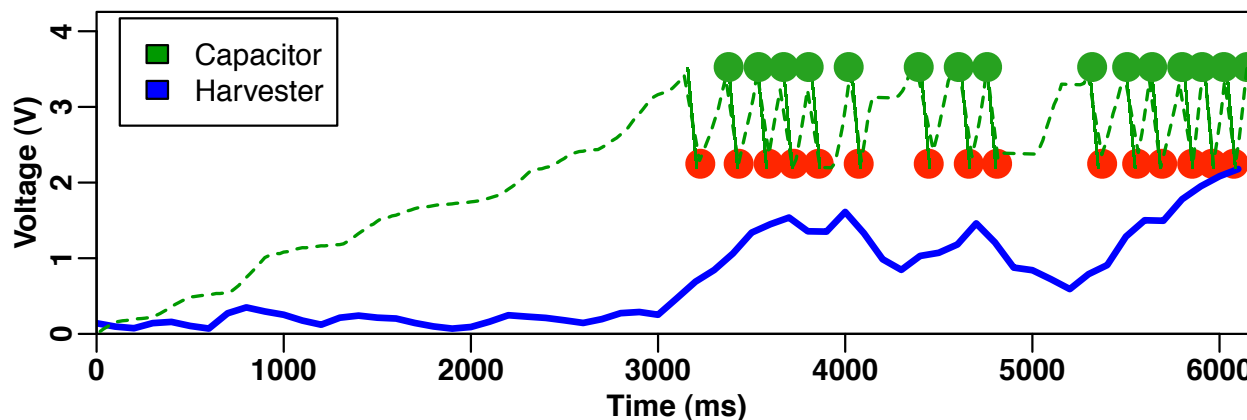
2) Checkpoint threshold V_{thresh}



With and Without Mementos



CRC
w/o Mementos:
never finishes

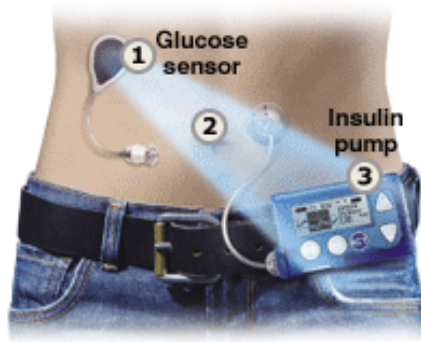


CRC
😊 w/ Mementos:
16 reboots

Oracle: 14 reboots

Wireless + Internet Can Improve Healthcare

But not without fully understanding trustworthy software



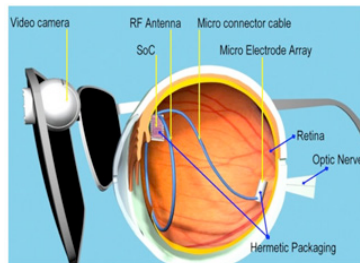
Insulin pump



Artificial pancreas



Neurostimulators



Artificial vision



Obesity control



Programmable
Vasectomy

Photos: Medgadget



Trustworthy Medical Device SW

- In summary, software:
 - breeds overconfidence,
 - is not thoroughly testable, but
 - is flooding into medical devices
- Many risks could be mitigated with known technology
- Mitigate the risks by **incentivizing** manufacturers to
 - Adopt modern software engineering & systems engineering tech.
 - Create more meaningful **specification** of requirements
 - Better analyze human factors
 - Develop safety net for security and privacy
- Need: Outcomes, statistics, open research, responsibility

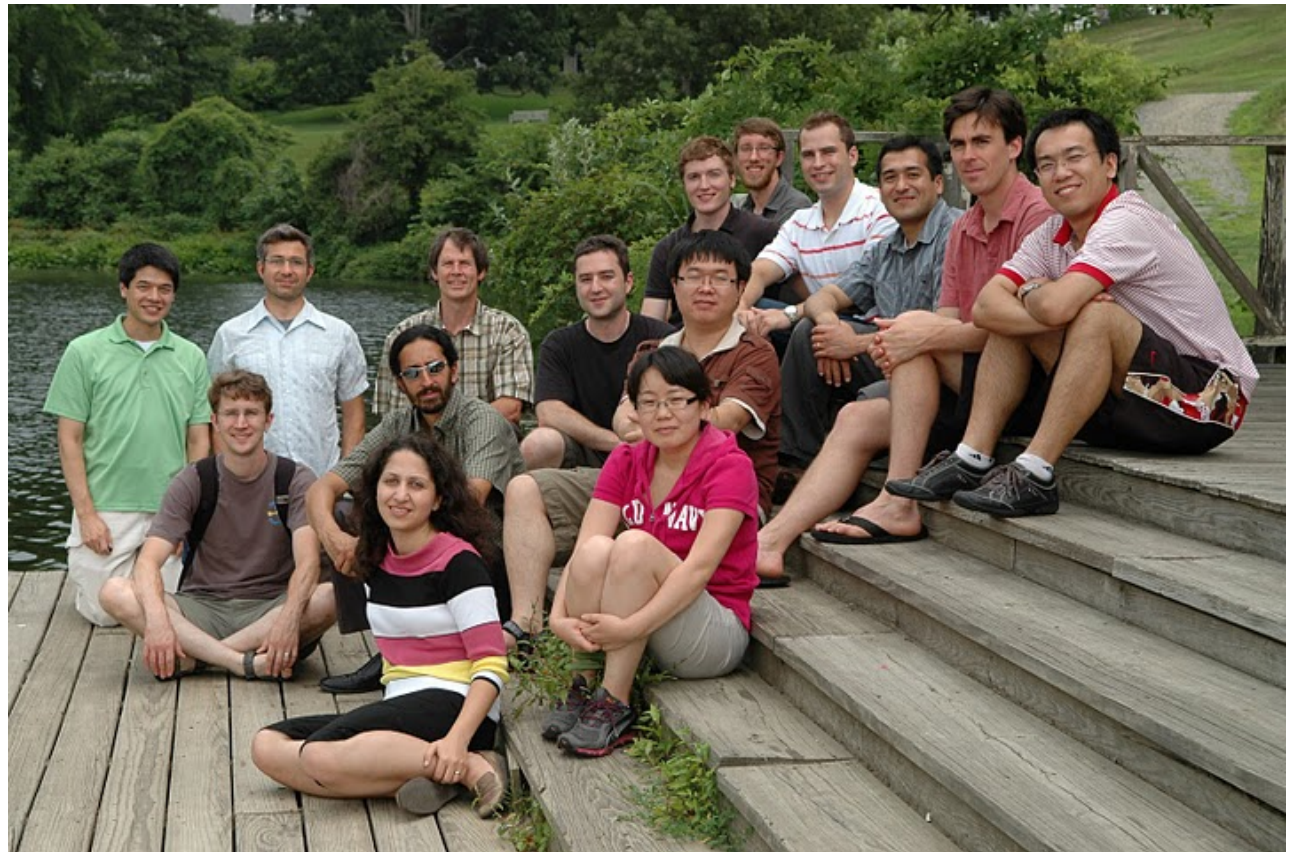
"Trustworthy medical device software"

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The S·P·Q·R Lab

<http://spqr.cs.umass.edu/>



Computer Science

● Positions? RAs:Yes! Postdoc:Yes! Staff:Yes!

Strategic Healthcare Advanced Research Projects (**SHARP**) is sponsored by the Office of the National Coordinator of the United States Department of Health and Human services.

Began in April 2010 and lasts 4 years



Strategic Healthcare Advanced Research Projects for Security

www.sharps.org

SHARP research areas:

- ❑ Security and Privacy (**SHARPS**)
- ❑ Patient-Centered Cognitive Support
- ❑ Health Applications and Networking Platforms
- ❑ Secondary Use of Health Records

<http://HealthIT.HHS.gov/sharp>

SHARPS Rationale

- ❑ Cyber security and privacy (S&P) risks are a significant barrier to the deployment and meaningful use of health information technology.
- ❑ Many key challenges in these areas can be addressed with emerging and new technologies in S&P.
- ❑ SHARPS teams computer scientists who specialize in S&P with healthcare specialists interested in S&P for HIT. The aim is to produce new levels of communication and tech transfer.

SHARPS Environments

- ❑ **EHR** – Electronic Health Records, managing patient records within an enterprise
- ❑ **HIE** – Health Information Exchange, sharing records between enterprises or between an enterprise and a patient in the form of a Personal Health Record
- ❑ **TEL** – Telemedicine, monitoring remotely, communicating with multimedia, and controlling implanted medical devices

SHARPS Participating Institutions

- ❑ University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- ❑ Carnegie Mellon University
- ❑ Dartmouth College
- ❑ Harvard University and Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
- ❑ Johns Hopkins University and Children's Medical And Surgical Center
- ❑ New York University
- ❑ Northwestern University and Memorial Hospital
- ❑ Stanford University
- ❑ University of California, Berkeley
- ❑ University of Massachusetts Amherst
- ❑ University of Washington
- ❑ Vanderbilt University



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<http://rfid-cusp.org/rfidsec/>

The 7th Workshop on RFID Security (RFIDsec) June 26-28, 2011 UMass Amherst - USA

RFIDsec is the premier workshop devoted to security and privacy in Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) with participants throughout the world. RFIDsec aims to bridge the gap between cryptographic researchers and RFID developers through invited talks and contributed presentations. About two thirds of the past workshop attendees hail from academia, and one third from industry and government. The workshop focuses on approaches to solve security and data-protection issues in advanced contactless technologies.

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- ▶ Cryptographic protocols for RFID
 - ▶ Authentication protocols
 - ▶ Key update mechanisms
 - ▶ Scalability issues
- ▶ Integration of secure RFID
 - ▶ RFID security hardware
 - ▶ Middleware and sec
 - ▶ (Public-key) Infrastructures
- ▶ Resource-efficient implementation of cryptography
 - ▶ Small-footprint hardware
 - ▶ Low-power architectures
- ▶ Applications
 - ▶ Confidentiality
 - ▶ Anti-counterfeiting logistics
 - ▶ Attack implementations, PUFs, Trojans

For submission information, please visit the RFIDSec web page. All submissions will be peer-reviewed. Accepted papers will be published in proceedings of Springer's LNCS series.

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<http://www.cs.umass.edu/~kevinfu/>
<http://sharps.org/>

Mementos: Ransford et al. [ASPLOS 2011]

Half Wits: Salajegheh et al. [USENIX FAST 2011]

CCCP: Salajegheh et al. [USENIX Security 2009]



Extra Material



Thalidomide Drug in 1961

- Had been on the market for years in Europe.
- FDA refused to approve for sale in USA
 - Cited lack of sufficient safety data
- Industry unhappy
 - Bullied FDA to approve the drug for marketing
 - Cited unnecessary delays
- Later...
 - More than 10,000 children in forty-six countries were born with mangled or nonexistent limbs as a result of exposure in utero.
 - Company withdrew application



Moore, K. L.: Manlt. Med. Rev. 43:306, 1963.



Anti-virus Updates for Mammography?



Dimensions Antivirus Software Installation

1. Introduction

1.1. Purpose

To install antivirus software on Dimensions product.

1.2. Scope

This document applies to all Dimensions products with version 1.x software.

1.3. Estimated Time

Installation of antivirus products takes approximately 30 minutes to complete including configuration.

1.4. Reference List

This document provides instructions for the following products.

- Symantec AntiVirus Corporate Edition version 10.x
- Symantec Endpoint Protection Client 11.x
- McAfee Enterprise VirusScan version 8.7.x

Note: These products must be provided by the customer. Load only the client program. Only one antivirus program is to be loaded per system. Please refer to the appropriate section for installation guide.



1.5. Definitions

- **LiveUpdate** – A feature that allows servers and clients to retrieve updates from an internal server or Symantec's official LiveUpdate server.



Harmless Choice of EHR/PHR Entry Style?



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Review of 2914 e-prescriptions

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Of LVADs & Trustworthy Software

The screenshot displays a software interface for a medical device, likely an LVAD. At the top, there is a navigation bar with six buttons: 'Clinical', 'Settings', 'Alarms', 'Save Data', 'History', and 'Admin'. The 'Admin' button is highlighted in black. Below this bar is a green header section labeled 'Technical Parameters'. The main area of the screen is black and contains three lines of white text instructions:

- 1) Caution: Access for authorized Thoratec personnel only.
- 2) Enter the password and press the CONTINUE button.
- 3) Press CANCEL to return to Admin screen.

Below the instructions is a white rectangular box titled 'Enter Passwords:'. Inside this box is a numeric keypad with letters A through Z arranged in three rows. The first row contains A through N, the second row contains O through Z followed by a hyphen/underscore and a zero, and the third row contains numbers 1 through 9. To the right of the numeric keypad is a 'Backspace' button. Below the keypad are two buttons: 'Cancel' on the left and 'Continue' on the right. A small icon of a hand pointing at a screen is located in the bottom left corner of the black area.





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Reminder from FDA: Cybersecurity for Networked Medical Devices is a Shared Responsibility

Issued

November 4, 2009

For

Medical device manufacturers, hospitals, medical device user facilities, healthcare IT and procurement staff, medical device users, biomedical engineers

Issue

FDA wants to remind you that cybersecurity for medical devices and their associated communication networks is a shared responsibility between medical device manufacturers and medical device user facilities. The proper maintenance of cybersecurity for medical devices and hospital networks is vitally important to public health because it ensures the integrity of the computer networks that support medical devices.

FDA is aware of misinterpretation of the regulations for the cybersecurity of medical devices that are connected to computer networks. FDA's interpretation of the regulations can be found in the 2005 [guidance](#) for industry and its accompanying [information for healthcare organizations](#).