# Automatic Smart Key Base Station Pairing for Automotive Keyless Go Systems

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# Abstract

In today's automotive industry, electronics are getting more and more important in order to meet the customers demand on higher comfort and more functionalities in cars. One of those components, to increase the comfort, is the Keyless Go System. Those allow the driver to lock or unlock a car without interacting with a key, through button press or mechanically opening the lock. Most of those systems work with a Low Frequency [\(LF\)](#page-111-0) and a Ultra High Frequency [\(UHF\)](#page-112-0) [\(ISM-Band\)](#page-111-0) link, between the Intelligent Key Unit used in the Keyless Go System [\(Key-Fob\)](#page-111-0) and the car (Base Station). Advanced systems also offer a [LF](#page-111-0) Transponder [\(TRP\)](#page-112-0) link, to be able to lock, unlock and start the car over a wireless link even when the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) battery is empty.

As automotive manufacturers are facing big numbers of cars being build, it is highly important that all the components can easily be implemented and used. This requires a high level of automation when assembling. In case of Keyless Go Systems, an automatic pairing of the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) and the Base Station is needed. Automatic Smart Key implements such a automatic pairing procedure, which is later-on used in the context of the Maxim Integrated Keyless Go System [\(KGO System\)](#page-111-0).

Moreover, Keyless Go Systems operate with more than one [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) per car, therefore a technique needs to be found to handle the communication of multiple entities via one communication channel. In the context of this master thesis, such techniques as well as pairing strategies that are already used in industry are introduced and analysed. On basis of this analysis, an algorithm is developed which fits the needs of the [KGO System](#page-111-0) perfectly. As this procedure needs to meet highest quality standards in the automotive industry, another point of focus is verification and test of the algorithm.

# Kurzfassung

In der Automobilindustrie wird die Elektronik mittlerweilen immer wichtiger, um der Forderung der Kunden nach größtmöglichen Komfort und mehr Funktionalität des Autos nachzukommen. Eines dieser elektronischen Komponenten, zur Erhöhung des Komforts, sind die Keyless Go Systeme. Diese erlauben es dem Fahrer das Auto zu versperren oder entsperren, ohne den Schlussel aktiv zu verwenden, weder durch Tastendruck noch durch ¨ bedienen des mechanischen Schlosses. Die meisten dieser Systeme verwenden Low Fre-quency [\(LF\)](#page-111-0) und Ultra High Frequency [\(UHF\)](#page-112-0) [\(ISM-Band\)](#page-111-0) als Kommunikationskanäle zwischen dem intelligenten Schlussel [\(Key-Fob\)](#page-111-0) und dem Auto (Base Station). Manche ¨ der Systeme besitzen auch eine [LF](#page-111-0) Transponder [\(TRP\)](#page-112-0) Schnittstelle, um ein schlusselloses ¨ Auf-, Absperren und Starten des Autos zu ermöglichen, selbst wenn die Batterie des Key-Fobs leer ist.

Da Automobilhersteller sich mit sehr hohen Stuckzahlen konfrontiert sehen, ist es sehr ¨ wichtig, dass die einzelnen Komponenten leicht in das Endprodukt eingebaut werden können. Dies erfordert ein hohes Maß an Automatisierung bei der Zusammensetzung des Produkts, im Fall des Keyless Go Systems eine automatisierte Prozedur um die intelligenten Schlussel mit dem Auto zu verbinden, zu Pairen. Ein Problem von Keyless Go ¨ Systemen ist auch, das diese mit mehreren Key-Fobs per Auto (Base Station) operieren, daher muss ein Weg gefunden werden um Kollisionen zu behandeln, da alle Key-Fobs mit der Basisstation über denselben Kanal kommunizieren.

Diese Diplomarbeit beschäftigt sich mit der mit der Analyse bestehender Kollisionsmanagament und Pairing Prozeduren. Aus den Erkenntnissen dieser Analyse wird eine solche automatisierte Pairing und Kollisionsmanagement Prozedur entwickelt, welche an die Charakteristika des Maxim Integrated Keyless Go System [\(KGO System\)](#page-111-0) angepasst ist. Da diese Komponente den höchsten Qualitätsstandards der Automobilindustrie genügen muss, liegt ein weiterer Fokuspunkt der Arbeit auf der Verifikation der Prozedur sowie dem Test der Implementation.

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# <span id="page-12-0"></span>Chapter 1

# Introduction

Electronics in the automotive industry are getting more and more important, as the customer is demanding higher comfort and more functionality in cars. The range of application reaches from security features like Electronic Stability Program [\(ESP\)](#page-111-0), usability features like automatically turning on the lights when unlocking, to entertainment systems within the car.

One big field is also the car locking/unlocking system, which has developed over time from basic mechanical keys, over remote keys to unlock or lock the car from distance, to the latest generation; which are the Keyless Go Systems, using smart keys known as Key-Fobs. Those Keyless Go Systems can automatically detect when to lock or unlock the car, without any user input. Therefore the user just has to carry the Intelligent Key Unit used in the Keyless Go System [\(Key-Fob\)](#page-111-0), and does not need to take any action. The Maxim Integrated Keyless Go System [\(KGO System\)](#page-111-0) focuses on the next generation of such a system, with enhanced functionality and improved security.

## 1.1 Problem

The [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is a mass product, whereas all Key-Fobs have the same initial state and just differ in the serial numbers identifying all components. The same assumption holds for the Base Station [\(BS\)](#page-110-0) in the car. Therefore a procedure has to be found, that connects a specific [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) with a specific car, respectively [BS.](#page-110-0) To minimize the costs, this procedure should be done with a minimum of effort by an external handler.

## <span id="page-13-0"></span>1.2 Project Motivation

The automotive industry is a highly competitive field of economy, where keeping the product prices to a minimum is very important. Therefore, every component has to be chosen by the best quality to price ratio and also the assembling of those components must be easy. Saving money in assembling can mainly be done by automating the assembling procedures. This also involves the pairing of Key-Fobs with [BS.](#page-110-0) At the moment car manufacturers use procedures that involve a high amount of manual effort to pair a [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to the [BS.](#page-110-0) As the smart Key-Fobs also have some computational power (intelligence), this can be used to implement a procedure that automatically pairs a [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to a [BS,](#page-110-0) minimizing the manual amount of effort for this task and therefore the costs.

## 1.3 Non-Functional Objectives

As part of an end product, which aims for a broad field of customers, there are several things that need to be taken into consideration when developing such systems, in order to get a high market impact:

- Ensure high usability and easy integration in the end product
- Low power consumption, as the end product does not have a permanent supply source and energy sustainability is an important issue nowadays.
- High Security and Quality Standards to ensure proper and reliable functionality of the product, as malfunctioning can cause big damage.
- In order to stay competitive, besides quality and functionality pricing is very important to the customer and the Original Equipment Manufacturer [\(OEM\)](#page-111-0).

All those factors have been taken into consideration when developing the Maxim Integrated [KGO System](#page-111-0) and influenced design decision, which is also observable within the context of the development of the Automatic Smart Key.

### 1.4 Functional Objectives and Resolution Method

The main objective of this Master Thesis is to find a procedure to automatically pairs Key-Fobs and [BS](#page-110-0) tailored to the constraints of the [KGO System.](#page-111-0) This is done by first analysing the [KGO System](#page-111-0) and the pairing and collision management procedures, which are currently state-of-the-art. After the analysis a procedure is designed and implemented <span id="page-14-0"></span>on the Hardware [\(HW\)](#page-111-0) of the [KGO System,](#page-111-0) whereas the focus also lies on testing and verifying the implementation.

### 1.5 Thesis Contents

Chapter [2](#page-16-0) gives a short general insight to the development and advantages of the [KGO System.](#page-111-0) In the Chapters [3](#page-26-0) and [4,](#page-34-0) existing collision management and pairing procedures are analysed and reviewed whether they fit the Maxim Keyless Go System. The development of different approaches to solve the problem are explained and analysed closely in Chapter [5,](#page-38-0) in order to choose the better solution for the implementation. This theoretical definition is then followed by the chapters [6](#page-66-0) and [7,](#page-70-0) which focus on the system constraints, implementation and testing of the implementation.

The final chapter [8](#page-86-0) gives an overview of the development done in the context of this thesis, analysis them and shows development possibilities for future work.

# <span id="page-16-0"></span>Chapter 2

# Maxim Integrated Keyless Go System

## 2.1 Functionality

The [KGO System](#page-111-0) is the next generation of keyless entry and start systems for automotive applications. It offers a more secure wireless key solution, than current systems, including various additional functionalities.

### 2.1.1 Handling Multiple Key-Fobs

Due to different requirements of car-manufacturers and car rental agencies, this system is able to handle up to eight Key-Fobs per car. This implies that the system is able to detect and resolve collisions during communication in order to function properly.

#### 2.1.2 Communication via [UHF](#page-112-0) and [LF](#page-111-0) or [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0)

Due to the needs of the system regarding distance and usage two different Radio Frequency [\(RF\)](#page-112-0) channels for communication, Low Frequency [\(LF\)](#page-111-0) and Ultra High Frequency [\(UHF\)](#page-112-0), are necessary. The main differences in terms of characteristics between [LF](#page-111-0) and [UHF](#page-112-0) communication are the energy consumption, which is higher for [LF,](#page-111-0) the fact that [LF](#page-111-0) travels through most of the obstacles, whereas [UHF](#page-112-0) is blocked and the data rate which is higher for [UHF](#page-112-0) transmissions. This characteristic also defines their use in the system; [UHF](#page-112-0) is used for high distance communication between car and [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) downlink<sup>1</sup> and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The data-flow from [BS](#page-110-0) to the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is considered downlink.

<span id="page-17-0"></span>uplink<sup>2</sup>, for example to lock or unlock the car remotely via pressing a button on the [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0) The [LF](#page-111-0) channel, on the other hand, will be used for short range communication downlink and locating the [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0) This is necessary to either verify if the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is close enough to the car to unlock it or, in case of trying to start the car, if the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is inside the car.

In addition, the [LF](#page-111-0) Transponder [\(TRP\)](#page-112-0) functionality also enables upstream communication via the [LF](#page-111-0) channel on a very small range (around 10 cm) by using special antenna circuits on [BS](#page-110-0) side and energy harvesting by the [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0) This method is used to either save battery power or in case the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) unit lacks sufficient battery supply.

#### 2.1.3 Door-handle Interface

To extend the functionality of the [KGO System,](#page-111-0) the door-handles can be equipped with sensors. As those sensors may vary for each car-manufacturer, this system offers a universal intelligent door-handle interface, which increases flexible of the system.

#### 2.1.4 Keyless Entry

As described above, the system is able to locate the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) relative to the car position. Therefore the car can be unlocked, if the door-handle is pulled and the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is located close enough to the car to be sure no unauthorized person is trying to get into the car.

#### 2.1.5 Keyless Start

Once the car-start button is pressed, the car determines if the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is within the car and enables the start of the engine.

#### 2.1.6 Self Diagnosis

Being able to ensure the functionality of all systems in an automotive environment are very critical. Therefore all components of the [KGO System](#page-111-0) include self diagnosis interfaces, to verify their proper functionality during operation without any further effort by an operator.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The data-flow from [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to the [BS](#page-110-0) is considered uplink.

## <span id="page-18-0"></span>2.2 Architecture

#### 2.2.1 System Overview

The system consists of a [BS,](#page-110-0) located in the car body, and a [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) unit. The [BS](#page-110-0) is responsible for managing all car sensors (e.g. door-handle) and communication with the car electronics as well as with the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) unit. To exchange data from [BS](#page-110-0) to the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) unit, wireless communication via [UHF](#page-112-0) or [LF](#page-111-0) channel is used.



Figure 2.1: This block diagram illustrates the components of the [KGO System](#page-111-0) in a reference design.

#### 2.2.2 In-Car Construction

A part of the system is included in the car body and consists of four [LF](#page-111-0) antennas and one [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) antenna<sup>3</sup>, which are located as illustrated in figure [2.2.](#page-19-0) The four [LF-](#page-111-0)antennas are

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) antenna consists of the same coil as a standard LF antenna, but the capacitor is not included in the housing. The capacitor needed in the sending circuit of the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) antenna can be

<span id="page-19-0"></span>necessary to cover the whole area around the car with sufficient [LF](#page-111-0) field for positioning, therefore their position is fixed. The position of the [TRP](#page-112-0) antenna, on the other hand, can vary for each car manufacturer, figure 2.2 just shows a reference design build by Maxim Integrated.



Figure 2.2: Position of the [LF](#page-111-0) antennas within the car, the patterned square represents a possible position for the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) antenna [\[SEA14\]](#page-123-0).

## 2.3 Analysis of Single System Components

#### 2.3.1 Base Station LF Transceiver SoC [\(BSLFTRX\)](#page-110-0)

The [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) is the core of the [KGO System.](#page-111-0) It manages the door-handle operations, the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP-](#page-112-0) and [LF](#page-111-0) communication as well as the communication to the car-control system and the [UHF](#page-112-0) Transceiver [\(TRX\)](#page-112-0), which is also part of the [BS.](#page-110-0) Therefore this System-on-Chip [\(SoC\)](#page-112-0) implements following interfaces:

- An intelligent Door-handle Interface
- [LF-](#page-111-0)Antennas Interface
- 3-Wire-Interface [\(3WI\)](#page-110-0)) or Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter [\(UART\)](#page-112-0) (implemented as Single Wire Interface [\(SWI\)](#page-112-0))
- General Purpose Input Output [\(GPIO\)](#page-111-0) Pins
- Various Control and Measurement Interfaces

connected or disconnected in the [BS.](#page-110-0)

- Joint Test Action Group [\(JTAG\)](#page-111-0) Debug Interface
- Central Processing Unit [\(CPU\)](#page-110-0) Interfaces like [AMBA](#page-110-0) Peripheral Bus [\(APB\)](#page-110-0) or JTAG Like Control Chain [\(JLCC\)](#page-111-0)
- Several Special Function Pins.

The Firmware [\(FW\)](#page-111-0) of the chip runs on an integrated microcontroller which has access to Read-Only Memory [\(ROM\)](#page-112-0) and Random Access Memory [\(RAM\)](#page-112-0) memory. Also dedicated Digital Signal Processing [\(DSP\)](#page-111-0) parts and sate-machines, handling specific tasks, are included in the [SoC,](#page-112-0) in order to reduce the [CPU](#page-110-0) load.

#### LF Data Transmission

The [LF](#page-111-0) data transmission can either be controlled by the [CPU](#page-110-0) as well as a state machine, whereas the manual mode has the advantage that the packet length is not limited to buffer length<sup>4</sup>. The antenna drivers, in order to create the signal carrier, and the modulation output for Binary Phase Shift Keying [\(BPSK\)](#page-110-0) and Quadrature Shift Keying [\(QPSK\)](#page-112-0) are always controlled by a state machine, which runs parallel to the [CPU.](#page-110-0) The [LF](#page-111-0) [BS](#page-110-0) is able to transmit and receive data via the [LF](#page-111-0) link, whereas for transmitting the quality of the [LF](#page-111-0) antenna circuit has to be changed. The [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) supports Amplitude Shift Keying [\(ASK\)](#page-110-0) as well as [BPSK](#page-110-0) and [QPSK](#page-112-0) with differential encoding.

#### Current Control Unit and Immobilizer

The Current Control Unit and Immobilizer of the [SoC](#page-112-0) are used to measure the current through the [LF](#page-111-0) antenna, to be able to control the sending power. This unit includes an Analog to Digital Converter [\(ADC\)](#page-110-0) as well as peripheral blocks to enable the following functionalities:

- Offset compensation to keep high resolution for small signals.
- Sufficient oversampling at small signals.
- Measuring non-sinusoidal signals.
- Direct Current [\(DC\)](#page-111-0) as well as [LF](#page-111-0) signal magnitude and phase measurements
- Temperature sensors

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>If the buffer of the state-machine is reloaded, the [LF](#page-111-0) datastream is discontinued. In manual mode data can be reloaded without discontinuing the [LF](#page-111-0) datastream

#### <span id="page-21-0"></span>Door-handle Interface

The door-handle interface can connect several doorhandle types to the [SoC.](#page-112-0) It is possible to supply the doorhandle with power as well as a single sense line to get information from the doorhandle to the [CPU.](#page-110-0) Also a simple communication protocol, used by the doorhandle, can be implemented in the [FW](#page-111-0) of the [CPU.](#page-110-0)

#### **Oscillators**

Due to power management and clock distribution reasons, the [SoC](#page-112-0) has several different clock sources. Namely: a watchdog oscillator, a RC Oscillator [\(RCO\)](#page-112-0) and a crystal oscillator.

#### **Diagnostics**

In order to diagnose the door-handles and antennas, sufficient measurement interfaces are implemented. This is necessary to be able to check the proper functionality of these peripherals without any additional [HW](#page-111-0) setup.

#### Self-Test, Debug and Self-Protection

Build-In-Self-Test [\(BIST\)](#page-110-0), [RAM](#page-112-0) parity test, test pins, overheat protection and a [JTAG](#page-111-0) debug interface are also included in the [SoC,](#page-112-0) in order to increase usability and guarantee functionality.

#### 2.3.2 Key-Fob LF Transceiver SoC [\(LFTRX\)](#page-111-0)

The [LFTRX,](#page-111-0) used in the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) units, is a ultra low power [SoC](#page-112-0) designed for long term mobile use. The [SoC](#page-112-0) includes following interfaces and components:

- 3D [LF](#page-111-0) Interface
- [3WI](#page-110-0)
- Event Interface
- Measurement Interface
- External Supply Interface
- Transparent Data Interface
- Debugging Interface
- Parallel System Bus (internal)
- 5-Button Interface for User Interaction
- Advanced Encryption Standard [\(AES\)](#page-110-0) Cryptographic Engine
- Unique 32-bit Identification number [\(ID\)](#page-111-0)

#### 3D LF Interface

The [SoC](#page-112-0) is a 3D [LF](#page-111-0) start-up receiver and [TRP.](#page-112-0) This means the [SoC](#page-112-0) can be woken via a [LF](#page-111-0) or [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) start-up signal and the relative position of the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to the [BS](#page-110-0) [LF](#page-111-0) antenna does not influence the receiving quality, as receiving is possible in X, Y and Z channel (respectively direction). Furthermore the [SoC](#page-112-0) automatically finds the best channel for [LF](#page-111-0) or [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication, according to the signal strength. The [TRX](#page-112-0) and [TRP](#page-112-0) supports (D[\)BPSK](#page-110-0) or [ASK](#page-110-0) with PPM20 or Manchester coding using active modulation.

The [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication is used in case the battery supply is insufficient or to extend battery life. [LF](#page-111-0) [TRX](#page-112-0) and [TRP](#page-112-0) use power monitoring and power management, to work energy efficient and harvest enough energy from the [LF](#page-111-0) coil to generate a supply voltage.

#### Event Interface

This interface gathers various external events and routes them internally to the [CPU.](#page-110-0) This can be used for e.g. to trigger power management or the start-up.

#### Measurement Interface

Consisting of an Analog IO Pin for Received Signal Strength Indication [\(RSSI\)](#page-112-0), an [ADC,](#page-110-0) a VDD measurement unit and two temperature sensors. The measurement interface has the purpose of supplying the system with sufficient environmental data to perform temperature and VDD matching, to increase [RSSI](#page-112-0) measurement accuracy.

#### Transparent Data and Debugging Interface

For developing purpose, the [SoC](#page-112-0) also includes various [GPIO](#page-111-0) pins and control signals, as well as a [JTAG](#page-111-0) debug interface.

#### <span id="page-23-0"></span>**Oscillators**

The only clock source available in this [SoC](#page-112-0) is a [RCO](#page-112-0) with a maximum drift of  $\pm 2\%$  from the nominal frequency.

#### Power Management

Due to the desire of low power operation of this [SoC,](#page-112-0) it implements several supply units, which can be switched on and off, regarding the current usage of the [SoC,](#page-112-0) to keep the power consumption to a minimum.

#### 2.3.3 UHF Transceiver SoC [\(UHFTRX\)](#page-112-0)

The [UHF TRX SoC](#page-112-0) consists of a microcontroller as well as several interfaces and peripheral blocks or state machines to fulfill specific tasks and decrease the [CPU](#page-110-0) load. For instance:

- [3WI](#page-110-0) or [UART](#page-112-0)
- Mixed Signal Sensor Interface for up to 10 freely configurable Analog/Digital Input/Output [\(I/O\)](#page-111-0) Pins
- [GPIO](#page-111-0) Pins
- [CPU](#page-110-0) interfaces like [APB](#page-110-0) or [JLCC](#page-111-0)
- [JTAG](#page-111-0) Debug Interface
- Random Number Generator for Security Applications
- Temperature Sensors

There are asynchronous transmission protocol for [ASK](#page-110-0) and pleioynchronous protocol for Frequency Shift Keying [\(FSK\)](#page-111-0) (or Minimum Shift Keying [\(MSK\)](#page-111-0)) supported by the [SoC](#page-112-0) in the quad bands of:

- 315 MHz
- 433 MHz
- 868 MHz
- $\bullet$  915 MHz

Furthermore the [SoC](#page-112-0) can work as master device controlling peripherals or as slave being controlled by more powerful [SoC](#page-112-0) or microcontroller and also implements several sleeping <span id="page-24-0"></span>modes for power saving in different applications. This [UHF TRX SoC](#page-112-0) is used in the [BS](#page-110-0) as well as the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) of the [KGO System.](#page-111-0)

#### 2.3.4 Usage of the Components within the Context of this Project

This project focuses on the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication, therefore mainly the [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) and the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) will be used. The [UHF TRX](#page-112-0) will just be used for programming the [BSLFTRX,](#page-110-0) as for development purposes the [FW](#page-111-0) of the [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) is stored in [RAM.](#page-112-0)

# <span id="page-26-0"></span>Chapter 3

# Analysis of State-of-the-Art Collision Management Algorithms

As in most wireless systems, also the Maxim Integrated [KGO System](#page-111-0) offers the possibility to use multiple clients (Key-Fobs) with one host [\(BS\)](#page-110-0). Therefore multiple access methods and collision management are needed to ensure proper communication between all clients and the host system. In this chapter a brief overview over multiple access methods is given and some collision management strategies, used in wireless communication,n will be discussed. Also a theoretical overview on those methods and strategies will be given. The focus, although, lies on processes already used in similar wireless systems like Radio Frequency Identification [\(RFID\)](#page-112-0) [\[Fin02\]](#page-121-0).

## 3.1 Multiple Access

The goal of multiple access methods is to divide one dimension of a communication channel in a way, that it is possible for multiple clients to use this channel together. A communication channel can be divided into four dimensions and therefore there are four basic multiple access methods, as explained in [\[Fin02\]](#page-121-0):

- Space  $\rightarrow$  Space Division Multiple Access [\(SDMA\)](#page-112-0)
- Time  $\rightarrow$  Time Division Multiple Access [\(TDMA\)](#page-112-0)
- Frequency  $\rightarrow$  Frequency Division Multiple Access [\(FDMA\)](#page-111-0)
- Code  $\rightarrow$  Code Division Multiple Access [\(CDMA\)](#page-110-0)

<span id="page-27-0"></span>Basically every method slices a dimension of the channel into slots and then assigns one slot to a client, so this client can use the channel in/during this slot.

#### 3.1.1 [SDMA](#page-112-0)

The space around the host is divided into segments (for e.g. using directional antennas) whereas one segment can be occupied by one client at a time. A constant data stream is possible as long as the client stays in the same space-segment.

#### 3.1.2 [TDMA](#page-112-0)

A sequential series of timeslots are defined, with specific length and starting times. In each timeslot, one client can communicate with the host. Constant data streaming is not possible as soon as the timeslots are shorter than the data-packets.

#### 3.1.3 [FDMA](#page-111-0)

The host offers multiple frequency channels which can be used by the clients at the time, which allows a constant data-stream.

#### 3.1.4 [CDMA](#page-110-0)

This mathematical method involves the usage of orthogonal coding, so the channel is split in the fourth dimension - the code dimension. The data sent by a client to the host is coded using an orthogonal spreading code. Due to this special coding the host is able to differentiate between different data, send by different clients. Using the same physical channel (space, time and frequency dimension do not differ), by decoding the data also using the same system of orthogonal spreading codes. This multiple access method also allows a constant data stream.

## 3.2 Anti-Collision Processes

Even when using multiple access methods, there is the need for anti-collision handling. This is necessary, if the assignment of communication slots is not done properly or there are more clients than communication slots, so multiple clients try to communicate within one communication slot.

#### <span id="page-28-0"></span>3.2.1 ALOHA

The ALOHA<sup>1</sup> process uses [TDMA](#page-112-0) to enable multiple access to a communication channel. Each client starts its communication at a random time, for instance when the data-packet is ready. The performance of this stochastic process is highly dependent on the number of clients and packets sent during a specified period of time. In [\[Fin02\]](#page-121-0) the performance was rated as specified in Eq. 3.1 to Eq. 3.3.

- $N \cdots$  number of clients
- $T \cdots$  duration of the observation period
- $\tau_n \cdots$  duration of a packet from client n
- $r_n \cdots$  number of packets sent from client n
- $G \cdots$ traffic
- $S \cdots$ channel capacity
- $q \cdots$  success rate probability of a packet to be send without collision

$$
G = \sum \frac{\tau_n}{T} \cdot r_n \Big|_{n=1}^N \tag{3.1}
$$

$$
S = G \cdot e^{-2 \cdot G} \tag{3.2}
$$

$$
q = \frac{S}{G} = e^{-2 \cdot G} \tag{3.3}
$$

Figure [3.1](#page-29-0) illustrates the capacity of the channel versus the traffic using ALOHA. It can be seen that the maximum capacity of  $18.4\%$  is reached with a traffic G of 0.5. This means that the time used to send packages equals  $\frac{T}{2}$ , so the channel is just used half of the time.

#### 3.2.2 Slotted ALOHA

The Slotted ALOHA [\(SALOHA\)](#page-112-0) procedure works similar to the ALOHA procedure, with the difference that the time period  $T$  is now divided into timeslots. Therefore the clients cannot send their data at any random time, they are just allowed to start sending data at the beginning of a timeslot. A time synchronization for all clients and the host is necessary for this procedure. This increases the capacity and the maximum traffic which can be seen in figure [3.1.](#page-29-0)

As remarked in [\[Fin02\]](#page-121-0), due to the timeslots, the collision interval  $T_c$  is halved. Considering equally long packets of length  $\tau$ , using the ALOHA procedure, a collision can occur if the

 $1<sup>1</sup>$ The name origins from the fact that this process was originally developed for the ALOHANET in the 1970ies.

<span id="page-29-0"></span>sending interval of two clients  $T_s$  is smaller than  $2 \cdot \tau$ . Therefore the collision interval  $T_c$ equals  $2 \cdot \tau$ . Using [SALOHA,](#page-112-0) a collision can just occur within a interval of  $\tau$ , as sending of a packet has to start at the beginning of a timeslot. This means that the  $T_c$  equals  $\tau$ for [SALOHA](#page-112-0) and moreover the capacity of the [SALOHA](#page-112-0) system [\[Fin02\]](#page-121-0) is

$$
S = G \cdot e^{-G} \tag{3.4}
$$

which maximum is 36.8% at a traffic of  $G = 1$ .



Figure 3.1: Channel capacity versus traffic using a ALOHA based collision management. The capacity decreases drastically as soon as the maximum is reached.

#### Capture Effect

In addition, the capture effect needs to be considered. In wireless systems it can happen that collisions are not recognized because one sender simply "drowns out" the other ones. This can improve the capacity of the channel as there are fewer collisions (data transmitted is valid), but can also cause the "weak" clients to not be able to send their data. The <span id="page-30-0"></span>parameter for this effect is, concerning  $[Fin02]$ , the threshold b. It specifies how much stronger a packet has to be than another one, in order to be detected without any error.

$$
S = G \cdot e^{-\frac{b \cdot G}{1 + B}} \tag{3.5}
$$

The effect is illustrated in figure [3.1,](#page-29-0) whereas a threshold b of 3 dB was chosen.

#### Dynamic [SALOHA](#page-112-0)

As explained at the beginning of section [3.2.2,](#page-28-0) the [SALOHA](#page-112-0) procedure has the best performance for a traffic  $G$  of 1. This means that the number of timeslots equals the number of clients, but in practice most of the time the exact number of clients cannot be determined in advance. If there are more clients than timeslots, the capacity converges towards zero very fast, but foreseeing many timeslots for just a few clients is also not good in terms of performance. Therefore in practice several procedures where implemented to offer a variable number of timeslots to the clients. For more detailed information see [\[Fin02\]](#page-121-0) chapter 7.2.4.2.1.

In practice there are also many different variations of the ALOHA protocol used, to work with multichannel systems [\[SL03\]](#page-123-0), improved by using advanced technologies like spread spectrum coding [\[KH99\]](#page-122-0) or Direct Sequence[-CDMA](#page-110-0) (DS[-CDMA\)](#page-110-0) [\[LZ94\]](#page-123-0).

#### 3.2.3 Binary Search Based

The binary search based collision management procedure requires the implementation of the binary search algorithm as well as proper encoding of the data and the ability to detect the bit-position when the collision occurs. Proper encoding could be for e.g. No-Returnto-Zero [\(NRZ\)](#page-111-0) or Manchester [\[Fin02\]](#page-121-0). The algorithm itself consists of a flow of requests from the host and replies by the clients with the goal of selecting one client from a group. With a request, the host can select one or multiple clients depending on the requested address or [ID.](#page-111-0)

To illustrate the function of a binary search based procedure, all possible client addresses or IDs are represented within a [ID-](#page-111-0)tree (see figure [3.2\)](#page-31-0). In each iteration it can be determined on which bit-position of the address a bit error occurred. Therefore we can find a path from the top of the [ID-](#page-111-0)tree to the bottom. Table [3.1](#page-31-0) and [3.2](#page-31-0) show the iteration steps for binary search scenario.

<span id="page-31-0"></span>

|                  | Address |
|------------------|---------|
| TRP 1            | 1001    |
| TRP <sub>2</sub> | 1110    |
| TRP 3            | 1011    |
| TRP 4            | 1101    |

Table 3.1: IDs of the transponders used in the binary search example.

| Iteration   Request Address | Replying Transponders   Received IDs |         |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| $<$ 1111                    | 1, 2, 3, 4                           | 1 X X X |
| < 1011                      | 1.3                                  | 10X1    |
| $\leq 1001$                 |                                      | 1001    |

Table 3.2: Development of the received IDs in each iteration. X indicates a collision.



Figure 3.2: Example for a [ID](#page-111-0) Search tree.

In practice for every iteration, not the whole [ID](#page-111-0) is transmitted, just a small portion of it. Therefore the amount of data need to be send between the host and the clients decreases as just parts of the ID are transmitted. In average, a binary search algorithm like its illustrated here, needs

$$
L(N) = ld(N) + 1 = \frac{log(N)}{log(2)} + 1
$$
\n(3.6)

iterations [\[Fin02\]](#page-121-0), whereas  $N$  represents the number of clients.

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Figure 3.3: Average number of iterations needed vs. number of clients for a binary search collision management process.

#### 3.2.4 Other

#### [CSMA/CD](#page-110-0)

This Collision Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection [\(CSMA/CD\)](#page-110-0) procedure is mainly used in wired Ethernet standards. It relies on fast networks and randomized access control with no arbiter. Whenever a packet is ready, the client senses the channel and starts sending if the channel is free. In case of a collision or an occupied channel, the client delays the restart for a specific amount of time.

#### [CSMA/CA](#page-110-0)

Collision Sense Multiple Access with Collision Avoidance [\(CSMA/CA\)](#page-110-0) is used in most of the WLAN standards. Similar to [CSMA/CD](#page-110-0) the client first senses if the channel is free before he starts sending. Contrary to [CSMA/CD](#page-110-0) now the client does not send the data

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immediately, it sends a Ready-to-Send [\(RTS\)](#page-112-0) packet to the desired host. Transmission can just be started if the client receives a Clear-to-Send [\(CTS\)](#page-110-0) as reply to his [RTS](#page-112-0) from the host. The whole data transmission then has to be acknowledged by the host to ensure collision-free transmission, this is necessary as its hardly possible for clients to listen to a wireless channel while they are sending.

# <span id="page-34-0"></span>Chapter 4

# Analysis of State-of-the-Art Pairing Procedures

Pairing defines a process which links two devices together to communicate over a secure channel. While the usage of ubiquitous systems like Bluetooth, ZigBee or WiFi increases more and more, also the diversity of different approaches on secure pairing methods increases [\[KSTU09\]](#page-122-0). With this high diversity of methods, there comes one major drawback: there is no global security infrastructure existing yet. Such an infrastructure would be necessary, as the devices do not share any common knowledge with each other before the communication setup, in contrast to many other communication systems. Many pairing procedures therefore use a Out-Of-Bound Channel [\(OOB\)](#page-111-0), which mostly involve user interaction. A [OOB](#page-111-0) can be physical, visual, auditive or sensitive which can be vulnerable to Man-In-The-Middle and Evil-Twin attacks. Also the usage of a [OOB](#page-111-0) forces the developers to keep usability to a maximum, as this minimizes the probability for human errors, which most times leads to a decrease in security. Sometimes little things, like using hyphens to separate PIN letters [\[KS09\]](#page-122-0) can increase robustness and usability.

This chapter mainly focuses on explaining the pairing algorithms used in Bluetooth as those algorithms involve a minimum of user interaction.

## 4.1 Link Manager Protocol

The Link Manager Protocol [\(LMP\)](#page-111-0) pairing is initialized by device A (Verifier/Initiator) after user input, by generating a random number and sending it to device B (Claimant) [\[IEE02\]](#page-121-0). Device B acknowledges the random number with the [LMP](#page-111-0) accepted packet. Now both users have to type the identical PIN (in case of Bluetooth 4 digits) into device A

<span id="page-35-0"></span>and B, which is used to calculate the link key  $K_{init}$ . If the PINs do not match the link key will also not match and the pairing will fail. In case the link keys  $K_{init}$  match, the [LMP-](#page-111-0)authentication will succeed.



Figure 4.1: Sequence diagram of the Bluetooth [LMP-](#page-111-0)Pairing.

It needs to be mentioned that the  $K_{init}$  is not used for further communication. The devices use  $K_{init}$  just to exchange the necessary credentials to build a secure channel, for further communication a link key is generated.

## 4.2 Secure Simple Pairing

Secure Simple Pairing [\(SSP\)](#page-112-0) is the second generation pairing algorithm used in Bluetooth to increase security during the pairing process. This procedure uses Elliptic Curve Cryptography [\(ECC\)](#page-111-0) and therefore there is no need for a PIN input anymore, whereas its not prohibited to use an additional PIN input. Furthermore the value range of the link key


 $K_{init}$  is extended over  $2^{128}$  possibilities [\[Ell11\]](#page-121-0), which makes it even harder to crack.

Figure 4.2: Sequence diagram of the Bluetooth [SSP.](#page-112-0)

At the beginning of [SSP,](#page-112-0) the two devices establish a shared secret channel using the Diffie-Hellman procedure, then sharing the Diffie-Hellman Key which is a 192 bit random number [\[Ell11\]](#page-121-0). The random numbers are generated using elliptic curves from [ECC.](#page-111-0) Each device then uses the shared secret  $K_{init}$  to calculate the control value  $v_a$  or rather  $v_b$ , which is displayed to the user and needs to be confirmed to finalize the pairing process.

## 4.3 Other Aspects

As mentioned before, mostly OOBs are used in pairing procedures to ensure security. Those [OOB](#page-111-0) can sometimes involve special [HW](#page-111-0) like buttons, cameras, microphones or displays [\[SEKA11\]](#page-123-0) which are not available in all systems. Therefore not every pairing procedure can be used in every systems. Some systems also use physically secure communication channels like cables to initialize pairing.

For devices with higher computational power and displays, also games could be used for pairing. In [\[GSV11\]](#page-121-0) pairing based on the memory game "Simon says" is proposed, to decrease the probability of human errors and maximize the security. Humans will be more focused on a game, and therefore become less prone to make mistakes, than just on a simple number input like in other pairing procedures.

Using all those [OOB,](#page-111-0) also attacks on those, mostly uncontrolled, channels need to be taken into consideration. Especially when using auditive channels, as the attacker can be easily invisible for the user [\[HS13\]](#page-121-0). Therefore it needs a lot of investigation to make the [OOB](#page-111-0) channel secure.

# <span id="page-38-0"></span>Chapter 5

# Development of a Pairing Procedure with Collision Management for multiple Key-Fobs

Due to the special characteristics of the [KGO System](#page-111-0) a pairing procedure or collision management procedure from literature or other technologies cannot be applied without modification. Therefore, this chapter describes the development of ay specific pairing procedure with collision management for [KGO System.](#page-111-0) For this theoretical definition of the procedure a working [HW](#page-111-0) setup is assumed, and therefore not all [HW](#page-111-0) failure cases are described and modeled here. This is done in order to keep the focus on the procedure itself and not the error handling. [HW](#page-111-0) errors will be discussed chapter [7.](#page-70-0)

# 5.1 Analysis of Pairing and Collision Management Strategies

Considering the already known collision management strategies, introduce in chapter [3,](#page-26-0) certain strategies can already be excluded. First, [CSMA/CD](#page-110-0) and [CSMA/CA](#page-110-0) are not fitting to the application due to the fact that neither Key-Fobs nor the [BS](#page-110-0) can perform Transmit [\(TX\)](#page-112-0) and Receive [\(RX\)](#page-112-0) at the same time, so they are not able to sense collisions while they are transmitting. This is also mentioned as one of the main criteria for the section of collision management procedures in [\[LG08\]](#page-122-0). Furthermore a pure Binary Search based algorithm can also not be implemented, as in the [KGO System,](#page-111-0) a bit-wise error

<span id="page-39-0"></span>detection is not possible. This is due to the lack of a global time-source, which makes it very unlikely that colliding packets are aligned in time.

The pairing includes the collision management and is completed when the credentials between car [\(BS\)](#page-110-0) and [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) are exchanged, which consist of the car [ID](#page-111-0) and the cryptographic key. When and how often the pairing procedure is triggered will not be specified in this thesis, as this is up to the [OEM](#page-111-0) and should be defined by them. The only restriction is, that the procedure can only be triggered if the Key-Fobs are in [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication range of the [BS.](#page-110-0) This is also the main security feature, as for this thesis it is assumed that the pairing procedure can just be done within a secure environment, for example the factory. Therefore the range of the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) will always lie within the factory and cannot be interfered by any attacker. For this reason no further security codes, encryption or other security feature are implemented now.

The following sections will describe the procedure in detail.

## 5.2 Collision Identification

The basic need for a collision management system is the identifications of collisions. In the [KGO System](#page-111-0) just error detection, but no error correction is needed. Moreover, due to the low computational power of the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) used on the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) and the timing constrains, no complex solutions can be chosen. Considering those constrains and after evaluating the results of different checksums and error detection codes in [\[Ngu05\]](#page-123-0) and [\[MK09\]](#page-123-0) the Fletcher-Checksum has been identified as the best fitting solution for the [KGO System.](#page-111-0)

The Fletcher-Checksum offers a simple calculation method, which can easily be done with a low computational effort. Furthermore it has a low probability of undetected errors for short code word lengths, compared with a simple Cycle Redundancy Check [\(CRC\)](#page-110-0) checksum [\[MK09\]](#page-123-0).

### 5.3 Timeslot Definition

The [KGO System](#page-111-0) is designed to use only broadcast messages for [BS](#page-110-0) to [Key-Fob LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication and [TDMA](#page-112-0) for [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to [BS](#page-110-0) [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication. Due to the lack of a global time source and the inaccuracy of the [RCO,](#page-112-0) evaluated in the Laboratory,  $(\Delta f_{RCO} = \pm 2\% \cdot f_{RCO})$  the timeslots cannot be aligned equally. Considering the lowest possible clocked [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) ( $f_{RCO-actual} = f_{RCO} - \Delta f_{RCO}$ ), the optimal clocked Key-Fob  $(f_{RCO-actual} = f_{RCO})$  and the fastest possible clocked [Key-Fob](#page-111-0)  $(f_{RCO-actual} = f_{RCO} +$ 

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 $\Delta f_{RCO}$ ) as well as the inaccuracies of the timers in the Key-Fobs and the [BS,](#page-110-0) the timeslots shown in figure 5.1 and in table 5.1 have been calculated. For this calculations a ideal guard time of 2.87 ms has been chosen, due to the timer resolution in the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) and the [BS.](#page-110-0) Of course, as all timings, also this guard time changes if  $\Delta f_{RCO}$  is not zero. Therefore the real guard time between the timeslots is less, as table 5.1 contains the worst case starting times (fastest possible [Key-Fob\)](#page-111-0) and stop times (slowest possible [Key-Fob\)](#page-111-0).



Figure 5.1: Timeslots used in [KGO System.](#page-111-0)

| Timeslot       | Start Time | Stop Time | BS Start Timer-Value | BS Stop Timer-Value |
|----------------|------------|-----------|----------------------|---------------------|
|                | ms         | ms        | ticks                | ticks               |
|                | 2.93       | $20.5\,$  | $\overline{2}$       | 14                  |
| $\overline{2}$ | 22         | 42.5      | 15                   | 29                  |
| 3              | 44         | 64.5      | $30\,$               | 44                  |
| 4              | 65.9       | 86.4      | 45                   | 59                  |
| $\overline{5}$ | 87.9       | 111       | 60                   | 76                  |
| 6              | 113        | 136       | 77                   | 93                  |
| 7              | 138        | 161       | 94                   | 110                 |
| 8              | 163        | 189       | 111                  | 129                 |

Table 5.1: Actual timeslot timings used in the [KGO System.](#page-111-0)

# 5.4 Pairing Procedure with Stochastic Collision Management

The first approach is to use a pure ALOHA procedure with random number sources for [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication timeslot selection by the [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0)

#### 5.4.1 Formal Algorithm Definition

Before the timeslot of the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is fixed by the [BS,](#page-110-0) the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) uses a random number source to determine the reply-slot-number. This could be done by doing a [ADC](#page-110-0) measure-

<span id="page-41-0"></span>ment on VTP or VDD. This measurement is done for every reply, therefore every [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) re-evaluates the reply timeslot for every packet.

### 5.4.2 Base Station Functionality

The [BS](#page-110-0) controls the procedure and takes all the decisions. For that, the [BS](#page-110-0) holds a command-set described in table 5.2.

#### Base Station Commands



Table 5.2: Description of the commands used by the [BS.](#page-110-0)

#### Base Station Datastructures



Table 5.3: Datastructures held by the [BS.](#page-110-0)

**Timing Table** The Timing Table is an  $8x3$  table, holding triple of (Timeslot number, [Key-Fob ID,](#page-111-0) valid flag). This table is used to track which [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) will be assigned to which timeslot in the SET TIMING step, of the pairing procedure. Inserting, deleting and reading elements from this table are normal array operations.



Table 5.4: Timing Table structure.

Reply Table The Reply Table is an 8x3 table, holding sets of (Timeslot number, reply [Key-Fob ID,](#page-111-0) Checksum). This table is used to track which [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) replied in which timeslot to a REQUEST package. Inserting, deleting and reading elements from this table are normal array operations.



Table 5.5: Reply Table structure.

#### Execution Flow of the Base Station

#### 5.4.3 [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) Functionality

The [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is event driven by the commands received from the [BS.](#page-110-0) The events can be seen in table 5.6.



Table 5.6: Description of the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) events triggered by received commands.

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Figure 5.2: Execution flow in the [BS,](#page-110-0) of the stochastic collision management procedure.

#### 5.4.4 Example

Consider a system with three Key-Fobs and one [BS,](#page-110-0) and the communication sequence as illustrated in figure [5.3.](#page-44-0) The [BS](#page-110-0) wants to pair with all Key-Fobs, therefore it sends a REQUEST. All Key-Fobs receive the REQUEST and do a measurement, to determine the reply-timeslot. All three Key-Fobs reply, whereas the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) B and [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) C choose the same reply timeslot. Therefore, when the [BS](#page-110-0) processes the reply table, it recognizes a collision and successfully detect [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) A. Now [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) A is registered in the timing table and a SET TIMING command is sent to the [Key-Fob,](#page-111-0) so the permanent timeslot and the SEND LOCK of the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) are set. The SEND LOCK is used to prevent the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) from replying to further REQUEST commands and therefore cause further collisions.

Now again a REQUEST broadcast is sent, this time just [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) B and C reply and choose different timeslots, so they are successfully detected. The timing table is again updated and the SET TIMING command sent to both Key-Fobs B and C. Before starting the credential exchange, the [BS](#page-110-0) again sends a REQUEST broadcast to check if there are

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Figure 5.3: Communication sequence for the example of the pairing procedure with stochastic collision management.

any Key-Fobs in range, which have not been registered yet. If not (timeout occurs), the credential exchange is started and the process is finished.

#### <span id="page-45-0"></span>5.4.5 Proof of Correctness

If the random number sources are sufficient the procedure is correct, as there will be a distinction of all Key-Fobs at one point, due to randomness of the number source which chooses the reply timeslot.

#### 5.4.6 Proof of Termination

If the random number sources are sufficient the procedure will terminate, as there will be a distinction of all Key-Fobs at one point, due to randomness of the number source. A deadlock cannot occur.

#### 5.4.7 Run Time Analysis

The duration of this procedure depends on the random number source (most likely an [ADC](#page-110-0) measurement and possible calculations done with the [ADC](#page-110-0) value afterward). Therefore, a run time analysis cannot be done, until the random number source, which is used, is identified.

#### 5.4.8 Requirements

The requirements for this procedure are a good random number source and working [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) link between [BS](#page-110-0) and [Key-Fob,](#page-111-0) as well as the ability of determining if a collision in the [Key-Fob-](#page-111-0)[BS](#page-110-0) communication happened.

A random number source is considered good or fitting, if it delivers a probability distribution close to unit distribution over an interval of eight. As this would deliver a minimum collision probability for choosing one out of the eight possible timeslots.

## 5.5 Pairing Procedure with Deterministic Collision Management

As this procedure is way more complex and implements a lot of logic and used data structures, each part will be explained separately in the following section and then a final overview will be given.

#### <span id="page-46-0"></span>5.5.1 Generating the the group ID

The group ID is generated by the [BS](#page-110-0) in order to request a special group of Key-Fobs; therefore its length is 32 bit and the group ID does not need to be unique among the Key-Fobs. In figure [5.4](#page-47-0) it can be seen, that depending on the iteration just a few of those 32 bits are actually used for the group ID.

Imagine three Key-Fobs within range of the [BS:](#page-110-0)

|           | Ю           |
|-----------|-------------|
| Key-Fob 1 | 011 010 011 |
| Key-Fob 2 | 100 001 011 |
| Key-Fob 3 | 101 001 011 |

Table 5.7: [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) IDs.

Now the group ID for each [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) depending on the iteration is defined as follows:

|                | $group\_ID$ | $group\_ID$ | $group\_ID$ |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Iteration      | Key-Fob 0   | Key-Fob 1   | Key-Fob 2   |
| $\theta$       | 000 000 000 | 000 000 000 | 000 000 000 |
| 1              | 000 000 011 | 000 000 011 | 000 000 011 |
| $\overline{2}$ | 000 010 011 | 000 001 011 | 000 001 011 |
| 3              | 011 010 011 | 100 001 011 | 101 001 011 |

Table 5.8: group IDs corresponding to the iteration and the [Key-Fob ID.](#page-111-0)

It can be seen that the group ID basically is a masked version of the [Key-Fob ID,](#page-111-0) with the mask depending on the iteration. Also in iteration 0, all Key-Fobs have the same group ID, which is all zero.

#### 5.5.2 Relation between [Key-Fob ID](#page-111-0) and Reply-Timeslot

As long as the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is not assigned to a fixed timeslot, the timeslot for replying to the [BS](#page-110-0) is chosen dynamically. This timeslot is called reply-timeslot. The [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) therefore uses 3 bits out of the unique 32 bit [Key-Fob LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) [ID.](#page-111-0) Those three bits depend on the iteration, whereas always bit [iteration  $\cdot$  3] till bit [iteration  $\cdot$  3 + 2] are used. This is illustrated in figure [5.2](#page-43-0) as well. In table [5.9](#page-47-0) it is shown which reply-timeslot would be chosen by a [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) with the [ID](#page-111-0) 010 000 101 111 011, depending on the iteration:

<span id="page-47-0"></span>

Figure 5.4: Usage of the [ID](#page-111-0) bits depending on the iteration.

| Iteration | Reply-Timeslot |
|-----------|----------------|
|           | $011 = 3$      |
| 1         | $111 = 7$      |
| 2         | $101 = 5$      |
| 3         | $000 = 0$      |
|           | $010 = 2$      |

Table 5.9: Chosen reply-timeslot depending on the iteration and the [Key-Fob ID](#page-111-0) 010 000 101 111 011.

### 5.5.3 Relation between Collision-Timeslot and group ID[/Key-Fob ID](#page-111-0)

As seen in the sections above, there is a close relation between reply-timeslot and group ID as well as the [Key-Fob ID.](#page-111-0) In case of a collision, the reply-timeslots of multiple Key-Fobs are equal. This means that from the timeslot number and the iteration, the [BS](#page-110-0) can calculate the group ID, respective parts of the [Key-Fob ID,](#page-111-0) of all Key-Fobs involved in the collision. Imagine following example; for the example the length of the group ID and [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) IDs is assumed to be 12 bit:

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|                | timeslot      | timeslot       |                      |                       |
|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Iteration      | valid replies | collision      | $group\_ID$          | estimated Key-Fob IDs |
|                |               |                |                      | A: XXXXXXXXX010       |
| $\theta$       |               | $\overline{2}$ | 000 000 000 010      | $B:$ XXXXXXXXX010     |
|                |               | $\overline{4}$ | $000\ 000\ 000\ 100$ | $C:$ XXXXXXXXX100     |
|                |               |                |                      | $D:$ XXXXXXXXX100     |
|                | 1             |                |                      | $A:$ XXXXXX001010     |
| 1              | 3             |                |                      | $B:$ XXXXXX011010     |
|                |               | $\overline{7}$ | 000 000 011 100      | $C:$ XXXXXX111100     |
|                |               |                |                      | $D:$ XXXXXX111100     |
|                |               |                |                      | $A:$ XXXXXX001010     |
| $\overline{2}$ |               |                |                      | $B:$ XXXXXX011010     |
|                |               | $\overline{0}$ | 000 000 011 100      | $C:$ XXX000111100     |
|                |               |                |                      | $D:$ XXX000111100     |
|                |               |                |                      | $A:$ XXXXXX001010     |
| 3              |               |                |                      | $B:$ XXXXXX011010     |
|                | 5             |                |                      | C: 101000111100       |
|                | 6             |                |                      | D: 110000111100       |

Table 5.10: group IDs and estimated [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) IDs depending on replies and collisions in certain timeslots.

As the example in table 5.10 shows, the [BS](#page-110-0) can learn the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) IDs as well as the group IDs from the timeslot number in which collisions occur or replies are detected. After iteration 1, [Key-Fob](#page-111-0)  $A$  and Key-Fob  $B$  are correctly detected. This means they are silenced (SEND LOCK is set to 1) and will not reply to further commands. Therefore nothing can be learned about their [ID,](#page-111-0) but this is not necessary anymore as the [ID](#page-111-0) can simply be requested as [LF](#page-111-0) packet from those Key-Fobs, using the first group ID, recovered in iteration 0.

#### 5.5.4 Formal Description of the Algorithm

The [BS](#page-110-0) first sends a broadcast request (iteration  $= 0$ , group ID  $= 0$ ) to force all Key-Fobs to reply. Now it detects and saves all replies and saves all collisions, as the Key-Fobs choose their reply-timeslot as explained in section [5.5.1,](#page-46-0) with the timeslot number it occurred in, as well as all the correct received replies from Key-Fobs. All regularly detected Key-Fobs are assigned to a permanent timeslot and silenced, in order to keep them from interfering with the further detection process.

All collisions are then sequentially resolved using the iterations and group ID to divide up the group of colliding Key-Fobs till only one [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) per timeslot is left in the group and can therefore be detected correctly. New discovered collisions are also saved and later on resolved, until no collisions are left and all Key-Fobs in range of the [BS](#page-110-0) got assigned to a permanent timeslot. All Key-Fobs are silenced now; therefore another broadcast request is send by the [BS](#page-110-0) in order to check if there are any additional Key-Fobs left in range. If so, the same procedure as above is applied, if not the detection process and collision management is done.

As a last step of the pairing procedure the credential exchange can be started, to pair [BS](#page-110-0) (respective the car) and [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0) For that all Key-Fobs are un-silenced, so they reply to commands send by the [BS.](#page-110-0)

#### 5.5.5 Base Station Functionality

The [BS](#page-110-0) controls the system according to the evaluation of the communication packets and the command replies.



#### Base Station Commands

Table 5.11: Description of the commands used by the [BS.](#page-110-0)

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#### Base Station Datastructures



Table 5.12: Datastructures held by the [BS.](#page-110-0)

Timing Table For further information see section [5.4.2.](#page-41-0)

Reply Table For further information see section [5.4.2.](#page-41-0)

Collision Stack The Collision Stack is used to track all the collisions that have occurred. One entry consists of iteration and group [ID,](#page-111-0) that needs to be used in the REQUEST command to make all Key-Fobs replies that caused this collision. An overflow of the Collision Stack is not possible with a proper [HW](#page-111-0) setup, as the number of collisions that have to be saved at one time is limited. If the setup is wrong and an collision stack overflow occurs, the procedure will terminate and report an error.



Figure 5.5: Structure of the collision stack and one collision stack entry.

#### Connection of the Datastructures

After a REQUEST command Key-Fobs will reply and the Reply Table will be filled with [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) replies, according to the timeslot it was received in. Now the [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) iterates over all Reply Table entries and processes the entries. The following actions will be taken, depending on the Reply Table Entry:

Reply Table Entry Empty: No action taken

No collision detected in Reply Table Entry - Checksum OK Create an Entry in the Timing Table with the corresponding [Key-Fob ID.](#page-111-0)

- Find free entry in Timing Table
- Set Timing Table entry ["Key-Fob ID"](#page-111-0) to current Reply Table entry "reply [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) [ID"](#page-111-0)

Collision detected in Reply Table Entry - Checksum NOK: Push a new element on the Collision Stack. The "current iteration" and "current request [ID"](#page-111-0) are held by the [BSLFTRX.](#page-110-0)

- Collision Stack entry "Iteration" is set to "current iteration" incremented by one.
- Collision Stack entry "request [ID"](#page-111-0) is set to ("current request [ID"](#page-111-0) | ((Reply Table "timeslot number")  $<<$  (3· "current iteration"))

#### Base Station State Diagram and Flowcharts

States The [BS](#page-110-0) implements a finite state machine and operates in 4 different states (see figure [5.6\)](#page-52-0) which will be explained in detail below.

INIT In the INIT state, the [BS](#page-110-0) sends out a REQUEST command with iteration 0 and [ID](#page-111-0) 0, which means that all Key-Fobs in range will send replies. Those are saved in the Reply Table and processed (see figure [5.7\)](#page-53-0), so all successfully detected Key-Fobs are saved to the Timing Table and all collisions on the Collision Stack, according to the algorithmspecification. If those actions are completed without any error, the [BS](#page-110-0) is set to state HANDLE COLLISIONS, otherwise it is send to DONE.

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Figure 5.6: States of the [BS](#page-110-0) in the collision management procedure.

HANDLE COLLISIONS The [BS](#page-110-0) stays in this state as long as there are elements on the Collision Stack. If all collisions are resolved, there is again a REQUEST broadcasted, to check if any [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) has been missed, due to the dominant sender problem. The detailed program-flow in this state can be seen in figure [5.8.](#page-54-0)

CREDENTIAL EXCHANGE In this state the [BS](#page-110-0) starts exchanging the credentials with all registered Key-Fobs in the Timing Table, in order to complete the pairing.

DONE If any error occurred during the procedure, it is handled in this state. If the procedure finished without any error, the Timing Table is returned to the [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) main routine and the pairing procedure is terminated.

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Figure 5.7: Flow executed on the reply table (Process reply table).

#### 5.5.6 Communication Sequence

#### Two Key-Fobs - No Collision

The sequence diagram (figure [5.9\)](#page-55-0) illustrates the communication flow for a pairing process, considering two Key-Fobs in range of the [BS.](#page-110-0) Those two Key-Fobs have 32 bit IDs which differ within the three LSB, which means that no collision happens after the initial REQUEST, send by the [BS.](#page-110-0)

#### Three Key-Fobs - Collision

Figure [5.10](#page-56-0) shows how the communication flow looks like for three Key-Fobs within range of the [BS.](#page-110-0) The Key-Fobs 32 bit IDs do not differ within the three LSB but the [ID](#page-111-0) of [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) A differs in bits  $3-5$ . Also the IDs of B and C differ in the bit interval from bit 6 to 8. This causes a collision after the initial REQUEST by all Key-Fobs, and a collision between B and C after the second REQUEST.

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Figure 5.8: [BS](#page-110-0) flow in the HANDLE\_COLLISIONS state.

After the second REQUEST, [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) A is successfully detected and the permanent timeslot as well as the SEND LOCK is set for this [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0) This means that [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) A is not responding to any further REQUEST commands anymore. The collision between B and C is resolved, as described above, and then the permanent timeslots for those Key-Fobs can be set as well and the credential exchange can be started.

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Figure 5.9: Sequence diagram for a complete communication flow between [BS](#page-110-0) and two Key-Fobs; no collisions.

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Figure 5.10: Sequence diagram for a complete communication flow between a [BS](#page-110-0) and three Key-Fobs; collisions appear.

#### 5.5.7 Example

| Key-Fob Name | Key-Fob ID      |
|--------------|-----------------|
| A            | 111 110 011 010 |
| R            | 101 000 010 010 |
| $\cap$       | 100 010 011 101 |
| Ð            | 101 110 011 010 |
| F.           | 100 010 110 101 |

Table 5.13: IDs of the Key-Fobs used in this example.

Initially the [BS](#page-110-0) requests all keys by sending the REQUEST command with [ID](#page-111-0) 0 and iteration 0 - which equals a broadcast request. Then the reply-table is filled with information according to the replies.

| Timeslot | Reply Key-Fob ID | Checksum |
|----------|------------------|----------|
|          |                  |          |
|          |                  |          |
| 2        | xxxxxxxxxxx      | XXX      |
| 3        |                  |          |
|          |                  |          |
| 5        | xxxxxxxxxxx      | XXX      |
| հ        |                  |          |
|          |                  |          |

Table 5.14: Reply Table after iteration 0.

Now all entries in the reply-table are processed and two entries are added to the collision stack for timeslot 2 and 5.

|           | $000\ 000\ 000\ 101$ |
|-----------|----------------------|
|           | 000 000 000 010      |
| Iteration | $group$ ID           |

Table 5.15: Collision Stack after iteration 0.

After the initial round, the [BS](#page-110-0) starts to resolve all collisions saved on the collision stack. Therefore the latest entry from the collision stack is popped and the [BS](#page-110-0) sends a REQUEST with  $ID = 000 000 000 101$  and iteration 1. After this the reply table looks like follows:

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| Timeslot | Reply Key-Fob ID | Checksum |
|----------|------------------|----------|
|          |                  |          |
|          |                  |          |
| 2        |                  |          |
| 3        | 100 010 011 101  | XXX      |
|          |                  |          |
| 5        |                  |          |
|          | 100 010 110 101  | XXX      |
|          |                  |          |

Table 5.16: Reply Table after iteration 1 for the first collision entry.

As can be seen in the table 5.16, now two Key-Fobs have been detected in timeslot 3 [\(Key-Fob](#page-111-0) C) and in timeslot 6 [\(Key-Fob](#page-111-0) E). Those two Key-Fobs are silenced and get assigned to permanent timeslots 1 and 2. This means the Timing Table now looks as follows:

| Timeslot       | Key-Fob ID      | Valid |
|----------------|-----------------|-------|
|                | 100 010 011 101 |       |
|                | 100 010 110 101 |       |
| $\overline{2}$ |                 |       |
| 3              |                 |       |
|                |                 |       |
| 5              |                 |       |
| հ              |                 |       |
|                |                 |       |

Table 5.17: Timing Table after detecting [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) C and E.

Now the remaining entry in the collision stack is popped and a REQUEST with iteration 1 and group  $ID = 000 000 000 010$  is send. The reply table then has following entries:

| Timeslot | Reply Key-Fob ID | Checksum |
|----------|------------------|----------|
|          |                  |          |
|          |                  |          |
| 2        | 101000010010     | XXX      |
| 3        | xxxxxxxxxxx      | XXX      |
|          |                  |          |
| 5        |                  |          |
| 6        |                  |          |
|          |                  |          |

Table 5.18: Reply Table after iteration 1 for the second collision stack entry.

[Key-Fob](#page-111-0) B is now detected in timeslot 2 and will be assigned the permanent timeslot 3 and added to the Timing Table. For the collision detected in timeslot 3 a new entry in the Collision Stack is made containing (iteration, group ID) =  $(2, 000\ 000\ 101\ 010)$ . The [BS](#page-110-0) will then pop the Collision Stack entry send a REQUEST with iteration = 2 and [ID](#page-111-0)  $= 000 000 101 010$  as specified in this entry, this will again result in a collision in timeslot 6. Therefore the entry inserted in the Collision Stack is now (iteration, group  $ID$ ) = (3, 000 110 101 010). Popping this entry and sending a REQUEST with iteration 3 and [ID](#page-111-0)  $= 000 110 101 010$  will then result in [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) A replying in timeslot 7 and Key-Fob D in timeslot 5. Now those two Key-Fobs are assigned the permanent timeslots 4 and 5.

| Timeslot       | Key-Fob ID      | Valid |
|----------------|-----------------|-------|
|                | 100 010 011 101 |       |
|                | 100 010 110 101 |       |
| $\overline{2}$ | 101 000 010 010 |       |
| 3              | 101 110 101 010 |       |
|                | 111 110 101 010 |       |
| 5              |                 |       |
| հ              |                 |       |
|                |                 |       |

Table 5.19: Final Timing Table.

As the Collision Stack is empty now, the [BS](#page-110-0) sends again a REQUEST with iteration 0 and group ID 0 to check if there are any Key-Fobs left in range. As this not the case and no reply is received, the [BS](#page-110-0) broadcasts the START CRED EXCH which initializes the credential data-transfer. After successfully finishing the credential exchange, the procedure is finished and the routine terminates.

#### 5.5.8 Proof of Correctness

The 32 bit [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) [ID](#page-111-0) is imagined like a tree, similar to figure 5.11. As the binary search algorithm is proven correct to be able to find all items in a tree, so is the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) selection used in this procedure.

The innovative part of this procedure is the selection of the timeslots, using the unique 32 bit [ID](#page-111-0) of the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) SoCs on the Key-Fobs. As the [ID](#page-111-0) is considered unique, the following statements can be made:

- Considering two Key-Fobs with IDs that just differ in one bit, after a certain amount of iterations the difference either lies in the part of the [ID](#page-111-0) that is used for the group ID or the bits that are used to select the reply-timeslot.
- If the difference lies in the part used for the group ID, only one of those Key-Fobs will reply to a REQUEST as the group ID just fits for one of the two Key-Fobs. No collision possible.
- If the difference lies in the bits used for choosing the reply-timeslot, the Key-Fobs will reply in different timeslots and therefore no collision will occur.

Therefore all parts of the algorithm are proven correct which concludes the correctness of the algorithm.



**Figure 5.11:** Part of a binary tree for the [ID](#page-111-0) of the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC.](#page-112-0) ID1 = 000 100 110; ID2 = 000 011 000; ID3 = 000 011 100; ID4 = 000 100 001

## 5.5.9 Proof of Termination

Every [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) [ID](#page-111-0) is unique, therefore every [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) will be found due to the correctness of the binary search algorithm and the theorem that Key-Fobs either differ in group ID or timeslot selection bits. If all Key-Fobs are found the algorithm terminates.

#### <span id="page-61-0"></span>5.5.10 Run Time Analysis

In order to calculate the probable runtime of the procedure a MATLAB script has been developed.

#### Calculate the initial probabilities for a collision

In the first iteration the first three bits (bit  $0 - \text{bit } 2$ ) are used by all Key-Fobs to determine the reply timeslot. Therefore we divide the total number of Key-Fobs  $N$  into subgroups of the size  $\frac{N}{G}$ , all Key-Fobs with equal bits 0 - 2 are gathered in one subgroup, and therefore will result in choosing the same reply timeslot which causes a collision. G here represents the number of timeslots (8). So, if more than one [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) from a subgroup is chosen in our set of 8 Key-Fobs, there will be a collision in the initial round.

This can be described using a hypergeometric distribution. A collision is considered a success, therefore in a total population of N Key-Fobs there are  $\frac{N}{G} = K$  Key-Fobs that produce a collision and therefore a success if they are drawn. Key-Fobs taken from the total population are not replaced.

#### Calculation of the first layer of the iteration tree

In one step a collision can be resolved, partly resolved or not resolved. Therefore following probability trees of depth 1 are now calculated to build the base for the final probability tree (see figure [5.12\)](#page-62-0).

Now the total population of Key-Fobs is defined by the size of the collision (init col sz  $=[2:8]$ . There are  $G<sup>init,col,sz</sup>$  possibilities to distribute the Key-Fobs, that produced a collision in the last iteration, over the  $G = 8$ ) timeslots in this iteration.

The number of good distributions is that one times of is chosen by res col sz keys (number of keys that will generate a collision in this iteration) and the other (init col sz - res col sz) Key-Fobs are distributed over the other  $G-1$  groups, not caring about their specific distribution.

Therefore the probability to get from a collision of size init col sz to res col sz is

#[Possible timeslots for res\_col\_sz Key-Fobs to send back] =  $\begin{pmatrix} G \\ J \end{pmatrix}$ 1 λ  $#[Possibilityed is trivially or terminal. Key-Fobs over  $G-1$  times lots] =$  $=(G-1)^{init\_col\_sz - res\_col\_sz}$ 

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Figure 5.12: Collision Trees for all possible collision sizes till a depth of 1 (1 iteration). The numbers indicate the number of Key-Fobs replying in the same timeslot (res\_col\_sz).

$$
\begin{aligned} \text{P-tree}(\text{init}.\text{col}\_\text{sz},\text{ res}\_\text{col}\_\text{sz}) &= \frac{\#\text{[good cases]}}{\#\text{[possible cases]}} \\ &= \frac{\binom{G}{1} \cdot (G-1)^{\text{init}.\text{col}\_\text{sz} \text{- res}\_\text{col}\_\text{sz}}}{G^{\text{init}.\text{col}\_\text{sz}}} \\ &= \frac{G \cdot (G-1)^{\text{init}.\text{col}\_\text{sz}}}{G^{\text{init}.\text{col}\_\text{sz}}} \end{aligned}
$$

#### Probabilities to resolve the Collision after a certain Number of Iterations

To calculate the probability of resolving a collision (of certain size) in a defined number of iterations, all the possible paths from the root of a collision tree to the leaves in depth iterations, are calculated and added up (example in figure [5.13\)](#page-63-0).

Example: Initial collision size of 4; Resolving after 3 iterations

$$
P\text{-term}(3,4) = P\text{-tree}(2,4) \cdot P\text{-term}(2,2) +
$$

$$
P\text{-tree}(3,4) \cdot P\text{-term}(2,3) +
$$

$$
P\text{-tree}(4,4) \cdot P\text{-term}(2,4)
$$

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Figure 5.13: Collision Tree for a initial collision of 4 and a termination at iteration 3.

#### Final Calculation

Now all the termination probabilities are scaled with the probability to have a collision of certain size in the initial step. Finally all the probabilities, to detect a [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) after a certain number of iterations for all possible collision patterns in the first iteration, are added up to get the total probability for each number of iterations.

#### Results

If one [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is observed within the system consisting of eight Key-Fobs, figure [5.14](#page-64-0) shows the probability to detect this [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) within a certain number of iterations. Iteration 0 represents the initial step, where the first REQUEST broadcast is send to all Key-Fobs. The iterations 1 to n represent the iteration steps, needed to resolve a collision found in the initial step (iteration 0).

As can be seen in the graph, the observed [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is detected in the initial step with a probability of 34.36%, which means this [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is not involved in a collision. This also means, that a observed [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is involved in a collision, in the initial step of the procedure, with a probability of 65.64%. If the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is involved in a collision, within iteration 0, it will be detected after iteration 1 with a probability of 61.49% and after iteration 2 with 3.497%. This means, a observed [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) in our system, is detected within 3 steps (iterations 0 to 2), with a probability of 99.34%.

Applying this data, to the whole system of eight Key-Fobs, this means that it is very likely that every [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is found within 3 steps. Considering the maximum number of 4 collisions of size 2 in iteration 0, this would lead to a duration of 9 steps (4x 2 iterations

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Figure 5.14: Probability of the collision management procedure terminating after a certain number of iterations for a single [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0)

for collision resolving plus iteration 0), as for every resolved collision, 2 Key-Fobs are found. Therefore it can be assumed, that for most of the possible setups, the procedure will terminate after 1 to 9 steps.

#### 5.5.11 Requirements

The prerequisites for this procedure are that all the [Key-Fob LFTRX](#page-111-0) SoCs have a unique 32 bit [ID](#page-111-0) and a working [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) link between [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) and [BS,](#page-110-0) as well as the ability of determining if a collision in the [Key-Fob-](#page-111-0)[BS](#page-110-0) communication happened.

# <span id="page-66-0"></span>Chapter 6

# System Analysis and Constraints

## 6.1 Requirements and Constraints Analysis for the Pairing Process

#### 6.1.1 Pairing Trigger

Defining the trigger for the pairing procedure is up to the [OEM,](#page-111-0) therefore the procedure is kept as flexible as possible. In this initial version, the procedure is designed to be able to be triggered multiple times. Adding or deleting of single Key-Fobs is not possible for this version, therefore every [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) has to be present in every pairing run.

Furthermore it is assumed that the procedure can just be triggered within a secure environment (see section [6.1.2\)](#page-67-0) which directly influences the security features of the system.

#### 6.1.2 Security

As this system is dealing with security critical components, one of the focus points is security. In the first implementation of the pairing procedure with collision management, no security measures will be added to the system due to following considerations:

- The range of the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication is approximately 10 cm, therefore sniffing would just be possible within the car.
- As stated in section 6.1.1, the pairing procedure can only be triggered in a secure environment. Therefore an attacker is considered to not be able to get into the car.

For future developments of the system, advanced security measures should be implemented in order to make the system harder to attack and the procedure also usable in a non-secure <span id="page-67-0"></span>environment.

#### Secure Environment

An environment is considered to be secure, if it is highly unlikely that an attacker is able to get close enough to the system to be able to eavesdrop on the communication between the [BS](#page-110-0) and the Key-Fobs. Also all environmental factors are within the operation ranges of the system (e.g. supply voltage is sufficient). Such an environment is for example the factory of the car-manufacturer or a licensed car-shop.

#### 6.1.3 System Setup

#### Unexpected Number of Key-Fobs

The system maximally supports eight Key-Fobs with one [BS.](#page-110-0) Therefore it is up to an operator to place a maximum of eight Key-Fobs in range of the [BS](#page-110-0) before the pairing procedure is triggered. If the operator fails to do so, following cases can occur

- i) No Key-Fobs in range
- ii) More than eight Key-Fobs in range

If no Key-Fobs are in range the procedure will terminate without having paired with any [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0) If there are too many Key-Fobs in range, there will be Key-Fobs recognized in range although the timing table is already full. In this case the [BS](#page-110-0) will abort the pairing procedure, reset all Key-Fobs that were already registered and report an error to the carelectronics. This way the operator can check the number of Key-Fobs in range and trigger the pairing procedure again.

#### Change of System Setup during the pairing process

Considering the pairing trigger constraints, it is it is assumed that the setup is not changing during the pairing procedure (removing/adding of a [Key-Fob\)](#page-111-0).

#### Multiple Basestations

As the range of the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication is maximum 10 cm and the triggering of the procedure is assumed to be happening in a secure environment, it is highly unlikely that a second [BS](#page-110-0) is introduced to the system. Therefore this case is not considered in the implementation.

#### Variations in Supply Voltage

Variations of the supply voltage of the [BS](#page-110-0) highly influences its functionality, in terms of communication range. Also a total fail of the supply voltage could occur. Those scenarios are considered to be highly unlikely considering the triggering of the procedure defined in section [6.1.1.](#page-66-0)

Moreover, the supply of the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) will not run out as long as the supply of the [BS](#page-110-0) is given, as the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) harvests the operating energy out of the [LF](#page-111-0) field in [TRP](#page-112-0) mode and is therefore not dependent on any other power supply (e.g. battery).

#### Checksum Collision

A collision that is not recognized due to a faulty checksum is highly unlikely to occur. If so, it will lead to the termination of the procedure with an error code.

#### 6.1.4 Verification of the Procedure

The first implementation of the pairing procedure does not need a detailed verification (e.g. challenge-response for every [Key-Fob\)](#page-111-0) with an error handling. A simple Acknowledge [\(ACK\)](#page-110-0) is sufficient due to the assumptions taken in the sections above.

#### 6.1.5 Requirements for the Pairing Procedure

#### Collisions detection

In order to implement a collision management algorithm, it is necessary to be able to detect collisions. As defined in section [5.2,](#page-39-0) a Fletcher-16 checksum is included in the [ID-](#page-111-0)Packets sent from the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to the [BS](#page-110-0) after a REQUEST. Therefore a data integrity check can be performed, which shows collisions if the data does not fit the checksum.

Furthermore, as mentioned in literature, also the dominant sender problem can occur. This means that the signal from a client is that much stronger than the signal of all other clients, so the host cannot detect a collision and just sees one client. Tests, described in appendix [A,](#page-90-0) showed that this problem can also occur in the [KGO System.](#page-111-0) Therefore both theoretical algorithms described in chapter [5](#page-38-0) implement a final check, to avoid missing any Key-Fobs in range due to the dominant sender problem.

#### Random Number Sources

In order to implement the pairing procedure with stochastic collision management, a good random number source is needed. In the appendix [A](#page-90-0) all possible random sources on the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC,](#page-112-0) which are available in [TRP](#page-112-0) mode, were analysed. The results showed, that those sources are not sufficient and do not deliver any randomness.

Also it has been considered to use pseudo-random numbers, by XORing and other mathematical calculations. This has been discarded due to the low computational power of the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC,](#page-112-0) as a simple procedure would most likely result in many collisions, and a complex procedure is not feasible.

#### 32 bit [Key-Fob LFTRX ID](#page-111-0)

The pairing procedure with deterministic collision management requires an unique [Key-Fob LFTRX ID.](#page-111-0) It is known that the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) has a unique 32 bit [ID.](#page-111-0) Also considering the number of cars produced per year, and the ascending numbering of the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) IDs, it is highly likely that the IDs will differ within a shorter range of bits than 32. Also, in the first implementation of the procedure, the case of multiple Key-Fobs with identical IDs is not considered. Furthermore, it is not possible that a [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) in the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) changes its [ID,](#page-111-0) as this [ID](#page-111-0) is permanently programmed in the fab.

## 6.2 Conclusion of the Algorithm Analysis

The analysis shows that the stochastic approach is less complex than the deterministic approach and guarantees termination and proper functionality, if there is a proper random number source available. As section [A](#page-90-0) in the appendix shows, apparently there is no proper random number source available at the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC,](#page-112-0) and therefore this procedure cannot be used in the [KGO System.](#page-111-0)

Therefore the deterministic approach is implemented, due to its guaranteed good performance (see section [5.5.10\)](#page-61-0) and the guaranteed termination. It has to be taken into account that this solution is less flexible as it is only tailored for the [KGO System](#page-111-0) and the SoCs used in it.

# <span id="page-70-0"></span>Chapter 7

# Implementation, Test and Verification of the Procedure

In chapter [5](#page-38-0) the pairing procedure with collision management was theoretically designed and analysed. This chapter focuses on the implementation, test and verification of this procedure within the context of the [KGO System.](#page-111-0) Again it should be mentioned, that the procedure defined in section [5.5](#page-45-0) was chosen, due to the reasons stated in chapter [6.](#page-66-0)

## 7.1 Firmware Development within the Context of the Keyless Go System

Besides the [HW](#page-111-0) for the [KGO System,](#page-111-0) Maxim Integrated also offers parts of the [FW](#page-111-0) needed to operate the SoCs, used in the system. As figure [7.1](#page-71-0) illustrate, the [FW](#page-111-0) is build in a layer structure. The [FW](#page-111-0) developed in the context of this master thesis will also take advantage of the existing layers, and can be considered part of the application layer.

As the figure [7.1](#page-71-0) shows, the [FW](#page-111-0) design consist of 4 layers, which are defined as follows from bottom up:

• Layer 0:

The Low Level Drivers form the [HW](#page-111-0) Abstraction Layer. It mainly consists of register access macros and bit masks for special [SoC](#page-112-0) functionality and configurations.

• Layer 1:

The basic setup and control functions are gathered in the Physical Layer. Those functions just implement one simple setup for a functional block.

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Figure 7.1: [FW](#page-111-0) structure for the KGO [System.](#page-111-0) Left the structure for the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) unit, right for the [BS.](#page-110-0)<br>
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• Layer 2:

This layer represents the [FW](#page-111-0) Application Programming Interface [\(API\)](#page-110-0) and consists of two sub-layers:

- The functions in the MAC Sub-Layer combine multiple functionality from single functional blocks.
- The Basic-Routines sub-layer contains already usable flows and procedures. Although this layer should not implement any protocols specific flows which can be redefined by a customer.
- Layer 3:

The highest level is the Application [FW](#page-111-0) layer. Here customer specific flows and protocols are implemented as well as customer application [FW.](#page-111-0)

Maxim Integrated provides the Layers 0 to 2 already fully tested and verified. The implementation of the pairing and collision management procedure is contained in Layer 3.

# 7.2 Code Design

# 7.2.1 Base Station LF Transceiver SoC

In order to ensure high re-usability and easy maintenance the [FW](#page-111-0) is designed modular with as few interfaces to the [SoC](#page-112-0) specific functionality as possible. The structure can be seen in figure [7.2.](#page-73-0)

The modules are described in detail in the paragraphs below.

# [SoC](#page-112-0) main

This is the main routine of the [FW,](#page-111-0) it handles commands received via the wired interface and also implements some debug and configuration commands in order to set up the Key-Fobs for specific test-cases. Here also the pairing and collision management procedure is triggered by calling PAIR main, if a specific command is received.

#### PAIR\_main

PAIR main is the top function and implements the state-machine as illustrated in figure [5.6.](#page-52-0)

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blocks with hatched borders represent the [SoC](#page-112-0) functionality.<br>
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# PAIR send lf command

In order to separate the call of all [LF](#page-111-0) interface [SoC](#page-112-0) functions, they are gathered in this function. The function takes care of the [LF](#page-111-0) setup, assemble of the data packet as well as sending and receiving of the data by calling the relating [SoC](#page-112-0) specific functions.

#### PAIR\_process\_reply\_table

This function processes the data in the reply table as described in section [5.5.5](#page-49-0) in paragraph Connection of the Datastructures.

#### PAIR\_check\_reply

This function simply checks if the received function code and data match the expected values.

#### PAIR\_report\_error

When the procedure terminates, this function assembles a report packet according to the termination error code, which is send to the host via the wired interface.

#### PAIR\_databuffer\_to\_reply\_table

As the data received via the [LF](#page-111-0) link is just stored byte-wise in a buffer, it must be pre-processed and saved in the right format in the Reply Table. Therefore this function separates the received data for every timeslot into function code, [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) reply [ID](#page-111-0) and Checksum and saves it to the Reply Table into the according slot.

#### PAIR checksum check

In order to check if a packet is valid, this function uses the PAIR checksum fletcher16 function to calculate the 16 bit Fletcher Checksum over specific data, and compares it to the received checksum.

#### PAIR checksum fletcher16

This function is used to compute the 16 bit Fletcher Checksum.

### [SoC](#page-112-0) wired interface and [SoC](#page-112-0) [LF](#page-111-0) interface

Those blocks represent the [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) specific function to setup and use the wired (either [3WI](#page-110-0) or [UART\)](#page-112-0) and the [LF](#page-111-0) interface4.

#### 7.2.2 Key-Fob LF Transceiver SoC

As the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) in the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) functionality consists just of event driven operations and due to the low computational power of the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) the [FW](#page-111-0) is held as simple as possible. Therefore it consists just of two modules:

- Main Routine and Event handling
- Checksum Calculation (Fletcher)

#### Firmware limitations due to memory restrictions

As all of the memory except the Flash is volatile, permanent information like the timeslot number have to be stored there. When using the Flash in the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) following things need to be considered:

- The Flash can just be written in words, whereas a word-size is 16 bits.
- Reading from the Flash can be done byte-wise.
- The Flash is initialized with all ones.
- The Flash just supports destructive writing<sup>1</sup>.
- The Flash memory can just be reset through either a mass erase or a page erase. As also the initial configuration is stored in the Flash, a mass erase must not occur.

These facts also cause some modifications in the algorithm design. As there is no memory location to store the SEND LOCK permanently which can be written multiple times, it will be derived from the permanent timeslot number, which is also stored in the Flash. If there is a valid timeslot number stored, the SEND LOCK is set. Furthermore, if a CLEAR command is received by a [Key-Fob,](#page-111-0) it does a page erase on the page which holds the timeslot number.

<sup>1</sup>Ones can just be set to zero, no writing of ones over zeros possible.

# 7.3 Conformance and Test-Case-Success

The test-cases check the conformance of the input and output. The input to the algorithm are the IDs, initial SEND LOCKs and initial timeslot number of the eight Key-Fobs. This input is used to configure the whole environmental setup. The outputs are the error code and timing table. Each test-case defines a input set of size 8x3, consists of 8 triples [\(ID,](#page-111-0) SEND LOCK, timeslot number), and produces a output set of (error code, timing table).

The conformance is then defined as follows:

 $i$  ... Implementation  $x \dots$  Input Set  $m \ldots$  Model  $X \ldots$  Possible Input Sets

whereas

$$
i \leq_{conf} m =_{def} \forall x \in X : \text{out} \ (i \text{ for } x) =_{out} \text{out} \ (m \text{ for } x) \tag{7.1}
$$

has to hold. For more detailed definitions and derivations see appendix [B.](#page-96-0)

Therefore a test-case t with the input set  $x_t$  and is considered successful for a implementation  $i$  and the model  $m$  if

$$
t = \text{successful if out} \ (i \text{ for } x) =_{out} \text{out} \ (m \text{ for } x)
$$
 (7.2)

# 7.4 Test-Plan

The testflow is divided in three main parts, Software [\(SW\)](#page-112-0)-in-the-Loop tests, [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop tests, and manual review. Those are defined as follows:

- i) [SW-](#page-112-0)in-the-Loop Test
	- a) Static Code Analysis with LINT
	- b) Manual Analysis
	- c) Test-Case-Generation
		- Test-Case-Generation with CREST [\[BS08\]](#page-120-0)
		- Manual test-case definition
	- d) Model Test
	- e) Generate Extensible Markup Language [\(XML\)](#page-112-0)-test-case specifications
- ii) [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop Test
	- a) [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) Tests
- <span id="page-77-0"></span>b) System Tests
- iii) Manual Review

Figure [7.3](#page-78-0) shows the structure of the whole Test Framework, and each component is described in detail in the following sections. A detailed manual on how to setup the setup can be found in appendix [C,](#page-100-0) the following sections will just give an overview and evaluate the testing.

# 7.4.1 Software-in-the-Loop

#### Manual Code Analysis

The code of the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) and [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) SoCs needs to be manually examined beforehand. This has to be done to evaluate if its feasible to model and pre-process it, in order to use the automatic test-case-generator and the MATLAB test framework on this code. This decision is based on the amount of statements in the code, that requires [SoC](#page-112-0) specific functionality, and are therefore hard to model, so they can be used in a [SW](#page-112-0) loop.

#### Test-Case-Generator

For the automatic test-case-generation and code analysis, CREST (a concolic test generation tool for C [\[BS08\]](#page-120-0)) was used. This is a simple command line tool for UNIX systems. The tool builds on the yices [\[DdM06\]](#page-121-0) packet, a Satisfiability Modulo Theories [\(SMT\)](#page-112-0) solver for constrain solving, and CIL [\[NMRW02\]](#page-123-0), a tool to extract the control-flow graphs from C code. Concolic testing is the technique to execute a program under test during the test symbolic, as well as concrete. For this concolic testing, CREST supports several searching methods to explore the maximum number of branches in the program:

- Bounded Depth-First Search
- Control Flow Directed Search
- Uniform Random Search
- Random Branch Searching

Also random input generation can be done using CREST. Branch coverage is used as quality measurement for the tests generated with CREST. Using a better measurement, like path-coverage, is not possible. The advantages of CREST are the easy setup and fast compile for almost all UNIX distribution, but it has the big disadvantage that it can just be instrumented for single source file programs. Therefore, a script has to be

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prepared to instrument CREST also on multi-file programs, like the implementation of the pairing procedure with collision management. In order to reuse the generated test-cases, CREST is able to export the input-vectors to text-files.

To use CREST on [SW,](#page-112-0) the tested code has to be preprocessed. This means, that the source code has to compile using a common gcc compiler, and symbolic variables have to be defined. For further information see section [C.2.1](#page-100-0) in the appendix.

#### mex and gcc

The MATLAB mex framework is used together with gcc to compile the implementation of the algorithm (in C), so it can be included in a MATLAB framework as MEX file. Therefore all [SoC](#page-112-0) specific defines and all commands, using [SoC](#page-112-0) specific functions, need to be replaced by a C model. Figure [7.4](#page-80-0) illustrates the structure of the algorithm, which is compiled using MEX and gcc to be included in MATLAB, whereas all replaced function blocks are colored in red.

#### MATLAB Model Test Framework

The MATLAB Model Framework includes the mex compiled C implementation and the MATLAB Model of the algorithm and applies all generated test-cases on both, to check for conformance. Furthermore a log-file containing a test-statistic as well as [XML-](#page-112-0)test-case definition files for the [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop tests are generated.

# 7.4.2 Hardware-in-the-Loop

#### Python Host [SW](#page-112-0) and Test-Case-Evaluator

The Python Host [SW](#page-112-0) reads the XML-test-case definition files and configures the [HW](#page-111-0) setup to perform the same test-cases already done for the [SW-](#page-112-0)in-the-Loop tests. It communicates with the [BS](#page-110-0) via [3WI](#page-110-0) or [UART](#page-112-0) and can also have the [BS](#page-110-0) forward debug and configuration commands to the Key-Fobs. The [XML-](#page-112-0)test-case definition files contain the desired reply of the [BS](#page-110-0) for each test-case execution. Using this information, the Python Host also acts as test-case Evaluator and generates logs and test statistics.

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#### [HW](#page-111-0) Setup

The [HW](#page-111-0) setup consists of one [BS](#page-110-0) with [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) antenna and eight Key-Fobs. The communication between [BS](#page-110-0) and computer can be established either via [3WI](#page-110-0) or via [UART.](#page-112-0) As link between the Key-Fobs and the [BS](#page-110-0) the [LF-](#page-111-0)[TRP](#page-112-0) channel is used.



Figure 7.5: Structure of the MATLAB Model Testing Framework.

### 7.4.3 Manual Review

In order to prevent false evaluation of [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop tests due to [HW](#page-111-0) errors, a manual review of the log-files is advised to get a final overview over the test-process and performance of the system.

# 7.5 Key-Fob Tests

# 7.5.1 Code Analysis

The code analysis shows that the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) [\(Key-Fob\) FW](#page-111-0) consists of 651 Lines Of Code [\(LOC\)](#page-111-0), which are mainly [SoC](#page-112-0) specific statements. Also the code is quite trivial, as the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is just event triggered and does not implement any algorithm-intelligence. Therefore, a dynamic [SW](#page-112-0) in the loop testing not feasible and this part of the [FW](#page-111-0) will just be analysed statically and in the [HW](#page-111-0) loop. For those [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop tests manually defined test-cases and test-cases generated by the MATLAB Model Test Framework during the Model Tests of the [BS](#page-110-0) [FW](#page-111-0) are used.

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Static code analysis with LINT and Motor Industry Software Reliability Association [\(MISRA\)](#page-111-0) 2004 rules was performed and terminated with zero errors, warnings and messages. For further information concerning LINT with MISRA see [\[Gim01\]](#page-121-0).

#### 7.5.3 Hardware-in-the-Loop

For the [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop tests the [XML-](#page-112-0)test-case specification files are used, whereas one test-case consists of a series of [LF](#page-111-0) commands send to the Key-Fobs. The [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) does not implement any functionality and just works as bridge between the wired interface and the [LF](#page-111-0) link from the Computer to the Key-Fobs. Each command send to the Key-Fobs can be evaluated separately and a test-case is considered successful if all commands sent to the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) result in the desired replies.

As collisions cannot be specified in the [XML](#page-112-0) files accurately, commands forcing collisions result in fail-evaluation of the test-case. Therefore a manual evaluation of the log-files is necessary. The flow of the test can be seen in figure [7.6](#page-83-0) (left).

79 test-sequences generated from the model tests and 28 manually defined test-cases were used for the [Key-Fob HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop tests. Those testcases are defined for different setups with varying number of Key-Fobs present in range of the [TRP](#page-112-0) antenna. The tests showed that there is a bug in the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) when sending data in the  $8^{th}$  timeslot, as all testcases in which Key-Fobs were supposed to send data in timeslot 8, failed. This bug was investigated further with manual tests and later-on fixed with a workaround in the [FW,](#page-111-0) to prevent usage of the defective [SoC](#page-112-0) functionality. The [SoC](#page-112-0) bug has to be further investigated by the Design Team, but does not affect the functionality of the [FW](#page-111-0) for now.

Furthermore it showed, that the [LF](#page-111-0) link is quite unstable. The error in the [LF](#page-111-0) transmission did not occur deterministic throughout the test sequences and could not be identified as an [FW](#page-111-0) error, neither on the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) nor on the [BSLFTRX.](#page-110-0) This means that the instability may be caused by imperfect measurement and laboratory Printed Circuit Board [\(PCB\)](#page-111-0), which are used in the development progress. Further investigation with the help of Application Engineers to verify the functionality of the laboratory [PCB](#page-111-0) is needed, in order to isolate possible error sources.

Expect those [HW](#page-111-0) induced problems, the [FW](#page-111-0) worked fine and was tested on several different setups, where no [FW](#page-111-0) errors could be found.



Figure 7.6: Left: Execution flow of the [Key-Fob HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop tests. Right: Execution flow of the [BS](#page-110-0) [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop tests.

# 7.6 Base Station Tests

# 7.6.1 Code Analysis

Analysis of the [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) [FW](#page-111-0) code shows, that it contains the main part of the algorithm-intelligence, and is way more complex than the [FW](#page-111-0) code of the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) in the [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0) Also the implementation focused on modularity, to separate the algorithm

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as good as possible from the other parts of the [FW.](#page-111-0) Therefore the algorithm uses mainly standard C functions and statements and has just a few interfaces to the [SoC](#page-112-0) specific functions.

For those reasons a [SW-](#page-112-0)in-the-Loop testing is not just desirable, due to complexity of the code, but also highly feasible, as there is only a small interface to the [SoC](#page-112-0) specific functions which can easily be modeled within the test framework. The pure pairing and collision management procedure has 1532 [LOC,](#page-111-0) which are tested [SW-](#page-112-0)in-the-Loop to verify the procedure. The whole [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) [FW,](#page-111-0) which has 2378 [LOC,](#page-111-0) is just tested [HW-](#page-111-0)inthe-Loop, as it contains also a lot of [SoC](#page-112-0) specific commands.

#### 7.6.2 Software-in-the-Loop

Static code analysis with LINT and [MISRA](#page-111-0) 2004 rules was performed and terminated with zero errors, warnings and messages. For further information concerning LINT with MISRA see [\[Gim01\]](#page-121-0).

As second step, test-case generation with CREST (see [\[BS08\]](#page-120-0) and section [7.4.1\)](#page-77-0) was done. Using Control Flow Directed Search, CREST was able to evaluate 164 of 172 branches. The remaining branches could not be evaluated by CREST, as those branches are catching errors which can just occur on malfunction of the [HW](#page-111-0) and could not be modeled. Those errors are forced to occur in the [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-loop tests to also cover this branches of the algorithm. In order to have more test-cases which can later-on be used in the Matlab Model Test Framework and in the [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-loop tests, CREST was instructed to run 50 iterations generating random input data and export the generated input to files. In addition, to cover extreme cases and special error cases, also 29 manual test-cases where written, which could later-on be used in the Model Testing Framework.

Third, dynamic code testing was done, in form of Black Box Tests performed with MAT-LAB. Therefore a framework to test all single modules (see figure [7.2\)](#page-73-0) of the algorithm as well as the whole implementation against a MATLAB model was implemented using MATLAB mex. As input for the Black Box Tests, the 50 testcases generated by CREST, as well as 29 manually defined testcases were used. With those tests, it was possible to verify the functionality of the procedure and all its modules, and find some common programming errors, as typing or off-by-one errors, in the code. Furthermore an overflow error in the Fletcher-16 calculation, which had different effects in the MATLAB model (double-precision arithmetic) and the implementation (8-bit precision arithmetic), was discovered.

### 7.6.3 Hardware-in-the-Loop

Using the generated [XML-](#page-112-0)test-case specification files a series of [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop tests were performed. For that the 79 test-cases where used, which were previously converted to [XML](#page-112-0) testcase specification files. The flow of the test can be seen in figure [7.6](#page-83-0) (right). It showed that the algorithm is highly reliable and many occurring [HW](#page-111-0) errors can be compensated. As already observed in the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) tests (section [7.5.3\)](#page-82-0), the [LF](#page-111-0) link was unstable, which is not caused by the [FW.](#page-111-0) As the algorithm was already tested and corrected during the [SW-](#page-112-0)in-the-Loop tests, and the rest of the [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) [FW](#page-111-0) consisted mainly of function calls to tested and verified [SoC](#page-112-0) functions provided by Maxim Integrated, there where no further [FW](#page-111-0) errors that could be identified by these tests.

# Chapter 8

# Conclusion and Outlook

# 8.1 Evaluation

The evaluation of the [KGO System](#page-111-0) and the state-of-the-art procedures for pairing and collision management showed, that it is not possible to implement a state-of-the-art procedure from literature without modification. This is due to the special characteristics and capabilities of the components of the [KGO System.](#page-111-0) In order to use those characteristics effectively, a procedure, tailored to the [KGO System,](#page-111-0) had to be designed. Also, as the pairing is designed for a limited operation mode as it should be possible to pair a [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) without battery, it showed that no proper random number source is usable on the [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0) Therefore a deterministic procedure had to be chosen for implementation. This could have lead to problems in systems with unlimited number of Key-Fobs, but as the number is limited to eight, many error cases and could be explored and taken care of when implementing, to make the procedure work properly for the [KGO System](#page-111-0) setup.

The tests show that the implementation is working fine and fulfills all the specification, defined at the project start, which are:

- Initial communication with up to eight Key-Fobs.
- Slot assignment procedure.
- Dummy Transmission which can later-on replaced with [Key-Fob-](#page-111-0)[BS](#page-110-0) communication for car-credentials, cryptographic key and additional necessary data.
- Verifying of the pairing success, including a simple error handling.

Furthermore the algorithm is very robust and can easily be extended to be less error prone. Also the design is easily portable, so it can easily be integrated in other [FW](#page-111-0) projects or demonstrators of the [KGO System.](#page-111-0)

Moreover the test framework can be considered a useful output of the project. It is tailored to the needs of the [KGO System,](#page-111-0) but can easily be reused as base for a more powerful and generic functional testing framework for [SoC](#page-112-0) [FW.](#page-111-0) It connects [SW-](#page-112-0)in-the-Loop and [HW-](#page-111-0)in-the-Loop tests to allow an easy test and evaluation of the performance of the tested [FW,](#page-111-0) because its easy to isolate the tests for specific components of the system. This is due to the fact that all components can be tested separately, [SW](#page-112-0) as well as [Key-Fob-FW](#page-111-0) and [BS-](#page-110-0)[FW](#page-111-0) implementation on the [HW.](#page-111-0) Also the biggest part of the tests are automated, the manual effort is minimized to setting up the framework and evaluating the results. Although it needs to be mentioned, that the quality of the tests highly depend on the quality of the models and the test-case-generator of the framework.

# 8.2 Future Work

For further development of the procedure, additional security features, e.g. cryptography, to make the procedure safe against cryptographic attacks should be implemented. This would also enable that the pairing procedure could be triggered also by the carholder, not just the [OEM](#page-111-0) or a mechanic. In case one [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) stops working or gets lost or a new [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) needs to be added to the car on a customer request, a single pair, or single un-pair of Key-Fobs also needs to be added.

At the moment, the procedure also just implements a very rudimentary error handling, which mainly consists of error reports. In order to make it more independent and automated, a more sophisticated error detection and error handling could be implemented, also considering changes in the setup during the process or failures in the Key-Fobs. A good error detection and error handling would also increase the procedures security and decrease its proneness to attacks.

In addition, also a final verification of the pairing procedure could be implemented, for example using a challenge-response-procedure. This would further increase the reliability of the system and the susceptibility to errors. Moreover the testing framework should also be extended by a more sophisticated test-case generator, in order to have a better test coverage (Path Coverage or Modified Condition/Decision Coverage).

Appendices

# Appendix A

# Characterization of the Random Number Sources available on the Key-Fob in TRP Mode

# A.1 Measurement Description

For the stochastic collision management process, a sufficient random number source would be necessary to find the reply timeslot for the Intelligent Key Unit used in the Keyless Go System [\(Key-Fob\)](#page-111-0). For this reason all possible random number sources available on the Key-Fob LF Transceiver SoC [\(LFTRX\)](#page-111-0) System-on-Chip [\(SoC\)](#page-112-0) on the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) had to be identified and characterized. As during Transponder [\(TRP\)](#page-112-0) mode just particular modules of the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) are active, not all possible sources could have been taken into consideration. Possible sources are:

- VDDI the inductive supply voltage of the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) on the [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0) This voltage depends on the strength of the Low Frequency [\(LF\)](#page-111-0) field.
- VTP temperature voltage, depending on the environmental temperature

Measuring the Received Signal Strength Indication [\(RSSI\)](#page-112-0) is not an option, as the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) does not offer [RSSI](#page-112-0) measurement in [TRP](#page-112-0) mode, as the analog front end to the [RSSI](#page-112-0) pins is not active.

Furthermore, this measurement setup was used to determine if the dominant sender problem can occur in this system. This would cause some more features in the implementation of the final algorithm.

### A.1.1 Measurement Setup

On the Computer a python host Software [\(SW\)](#page-112-0) is running to control the measurement flow. It communicates with the Base Station [\(BS\)](#page-110-0) via 3-Wire-Interface [\(3WI\)](#page-110-0) or Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter [\(UART\)](#page-112-0), using a Maxim Integrated FDTI interface device. The [BS](#page-110-0) executes the control commands send by the computer and forwards measurement commands to the [Key-Fob,](#page-111-0) using the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication channel. The [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) receives the command and executes the measurement, whereas per command three samples are taken. Those three samples are then send to the [BS](#page-110-0) via [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) communication and from there forwarded to the Computer via [3WI](#page-110-0) or [UART](#page-112-0) where they are processed and stored by the host [SW.](#page-112-0)

For the measurements of the random number sources just one [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is placed in range of the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) signal, to make sure no collisions occur, whereas the Key-Fobs vary. On the other hand, for the dominant sender problem, eight Key-Fobs will be placed in range to provoke collisions and keys sending at the same time.



Figure A.1: Measurement setup for doing the measurements on the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) and identifying the dominant sender problem.

The Key-Fobs were either placed on a rooster in a horizontal plane or in a cup vertically aligned, to simulate various placement methods within a car during production. Furthermore different Key-Fobs where used for every position and measurement type (see figure [A.2\)](#page-92-0). The [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) coil was fixed in the inside of a box beneath the rooster.

# A.2 Measurement Results

The measurements have been done for 10 different Key-Fobs, at 6 different position in horizontal (for a flat surface) and 2 in vertical (for a cup-holder). There were 300 samples

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Figure A.2: Measurement setup for characterizing the random number sources on the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) depending on the position of the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) simulating a cup-holder and a flat space near the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) coil.

taken per [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) and position with a Analog to Digital Converter [\(ADC\)](#page-110-0) resolution of 10 bit.

# VDDI

Figure [A.3](#page-93-0) shows that the probability distribution is too narrow for a cup-holder formed as well as for a flat surface above the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) antenna. Therefore its not sufficient to use VDDI as random number source for selecting the reply timeslot, as a lot of collisions would occur.

This is because the distance between the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) and the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) antenna is small enough, so the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) can load the capacitor, used for storing energy from the [LF](#page-111-0) field, high enough that VDDI is at the  $\text{limit}^1$ .

 $1<sup>1</sup>A$  limiter is controlling the maximum of the VDDI, to prevent VDDI from getting bigger than the allowed maximum if the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) field is very strong.

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Figure A.3: Probability distribution of the measurement values taken at different positions for VDDI. (left - flat space; right - cup-holder).

# VTP

As in practice the temperature in a normal environment will not show big changes, therefore measurements in normal laboratory environment without any temperature control is sufficient.

Measurements show that the distribution depending on the position of the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) for a cup-holder as well as for a flat surface this behavior is not sufficient (see figure A.4).



Figure A.4: Probability distribution of the measurement values taken at different positions for VTP. (left - flat space; right - cup-holder).

### Dominant Sender Problem

To identify if the dominant sender problem occurs in this setup, multiple measurement where taken, whereas for one measurement just one [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) was in range of the [LF](#page-111-0) [TRP](#page-112-0) antenna. For the other measurements, eight Key-Fobs where randomly arranged in the field. For each measurement 1000 packets were send.

As figure A.5 shows, that for one [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) in range, all packets could be received without any problems. For eight Key-Fobs just 20% of the packets could be received, less than 10% were corrupt and in more than 70% of the cases no valid packet could be received.



Figure A.5: Measurement setup for doing the measurements on the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) and identifying the dominant sender problem.

# A.3 Conclusion

The measurements show, that no available random number source on the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) is reliably and therefore useable in practice. This means an algorithm relying on a good

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random number source is not an option for the implementation. Furthermore it is shown that the dominant sender can occur in some few cases, and in order to build a reliable system, this must be considered in the design of the algorithms.

# <span id="page-96-0"></span>Appendix B

# Definition of Conformance

The observations made in the following sections are based on the observations and assumptions made in [\[Tre96\]](#page-124-0)

# B.1 Symbol Description

# B.1.1 Model

The model m describes the algorithm and is verified to be correct.

### B.1.2 Implementation

The Implementation  $i$  is derived from the model and represents the Implementation Under Test [\(IUT\)](#page-111-0).

### B.1.3 Input

A set of inputs x consists of the 8x3 matrix; one (Identification number [\(ID\)](#page-111-0), SEND LOCK, timeslot number) triple for each Intelligent Key Unit used in the Keyless Go System [\(Key-Fob\)](#page-111-0).

The input set  $x$  can be chosen from all possible inputs in  $X$ , whereas a valid input set relies following restrictions:

- i) All IDs in one set have to be unique.
- ii) SEND LOCK  $\in \{0, 1\}$

iii) timeslot number  $\in [0, 7]$ 

#### B.1.4 Output

A output set consists of the tuple (error code, timing table). The error code is a scalar and timing table a 8x2 matrix, as defined in section [5.4.2.](#page-41-0)

#### B.1.5 Equality

#### Software-in-the-Loop

The equality operator  $==_{out\_SW}$  for two output sets  $o_1 = (error\_code_1, timing\_table_1)$  and  $o_2 = (error\_code_2, timing table_2)$  is defined as follows:

 $o_1 == o_2$  iff  $error\_code_1 == error\_code_2$  $\forall idx \in [0, 7]:$  timing table<sub>1</sub>[*idx*].*valid* == timing table<sub>2</sub>[*idx*].*valid*  $\forall i dx \in [0, 7]:$  timing table<sub>1</sub>[*idx*].key\_fob\_*id* == timing table<sub>2</sub>[*idx*].key\_fob\_*id* 

#### Hardware-in-the-Loop

The equality operator  $=_{out_HW}$  for two output sets  $o_1 = (error\_code_1, timing\_table_1)$  and  $o_2 = (error\_code_2, timing table_2)$  is defined as follows:

 $o_1 == o_2$  iff  $error\_code_1 == error\_code_2$  $\forall i dx \in [0, 7] : \text{ timing table}_1[i dx].key\_fob\_id \in \text{ timing table}_2 :$  $idx_2 \in [0, 7]$ : timing table<sub>1</sub> $_idx]$ .key\_fob\_id == timing table $idx_2]_2$ .key\_fob\_id  $idx_2 \in [0, 7]$ : timing table<sub>1</sub> $_idx]$ .*valid* == timing table $idx_2]_2$ .*valid* 

# B.2 Derivation of conformance

A implementation of the algorithm is conform to a model if the output for model and implementation equal for the same input set.

> $i$  ... Implementation  $x \dots$  Input Set  $m \ldots$  Model  $X \ldots$  Possible Input Sets

$$
i \leq_{conf} m =_{def} \forall x \in X : \text{out} \ (i \text{ for } x) =_{out} \text{out} \ (m \text{ for } x)
$$
 (B.1)

whereas the  $==_{out}$  operator can either be replaced by  $==_{out\_SW}$  or  $==_{out\_HW}$ .

# <span id="page-100-0"></span>Appendix C

# Setting up the Test Framework

# C.1 Overall Description

Figure [C.1](#page-101-0) illustrates the structure of the Maxim Integrated Keyless Go System [\(KGO System\)](#page-111-0) test/development framework. To follow the data-flow start at the upper left corner. The automatic test-case generator, in this case CREST ([\[BS08\]](#page-120-0)), is used to generate input-sets to test the C implementation.

# C.2 Setting up the Components

# C.2.1 CREST

To setup CREST for a UNIX system, the following packets need to be installed

- build-essentials
- gcc
- glibc
- yices version 1.0.39 (http://yices.csl.sri.com/download-old.shtml)
- CREST https://github.com/jburnim/crest

yices and CREST can be installed by downloading the archive from the website and following the instructions in the README.

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Figure C.2: Folder-structure.

### Preparing the algorithm

In order to instrument CREST to generate test-cases, first a dummy main has to implemented, you can see the listing with comments below:

```
1 uint32 testcase_key_fob_id [LF_TRP_NUM_TIMESLOTS];
2 uint8 testcase_key_fob_tsn [LF_TRP_NUM_TIMESLOTS];
3 uint8 testcase_send_lock [LF_TRP_NUM_TIMESLOTS];
4
5 void main ( )
```

```
6 {
\tau uint8 cnt = 0;
8
9 static timing-entry xdata timing-table [LF-TRP_NUM_TIMESLOTS];
10
11 uint32 testcase_key_fob_id [LF_TRP_NUM_TIMESLOTS];
12 uint8 testcase_key_fob_tsn [LF_TRP_NUM_TIMESLOTS];
13 uint8 testcase_send_lock [LF_TRP_NUM_TIMESLOTS];
14
15 CREST\_int ( testcase_key_fob_id [0] );
16 CREST_int( testcase_key_fob_id [1] );
17 CREST int ( test case key fob id [2] );
18 CREST_int ( testcase_key_fob_id [3] );
19 CREST\_int ( testcase_key_fob_id [4] );
20 CREST_int ( testcase_key_fob_id [5] );
21 CREST int ( test case key fob id [6] );
22 CREST_int( testcase_key_fob_id [7] );
23
24 for (\text{cnt} = 0; \text{cnt} < \text{LF\_TRP-NUM\_TIMESLOTS}; \text{cnt++})25 {
testcase\_key\_job\_tsn [LF\_TRP-NUM\_TIMESLOTS] = 0;127 testcase_send_lock [LF_TRP_NUM_TIMESLOTS] = 0;
28 }
29
30 uint8 error_code = PAIR_main(timing_table);
31 }
```
Second, all algorithm source code needs to be copied into one file. This is done with the Prepare C file sh script, in the  $\ell$ test/Pairing/CREST/PAIR CREST folder. The resulting file then has to be manually checked as the script may produce non-compile-able code.

### C.2.2 Matlab Model Testing Framework

The Framework consists of several components:

- Core script, which handles the execution flow of the framework as well as the testcase evaluation and generating of the log files and compiling of the C implementation to mex.
- TESTCASEGEN files are part of the Extensible Markup Language [\(XML\)](#page-112-0)-File generator. These functions are used to generate the needed test-case specifications onthe-fly, during the Software [\(SW\)](#page-112-0)-in-the-Loop tests.
- MODEL PAIR functions implement the Matlab model of the pairing algorithm with

collision management.

- The directories CREST and Manual-test-cases hold the input vector files for the test-cases.
- C-MEX holds the C environmental model file as well as all compiled mex files.

No further configuration is needed if all scripts are executed properly. Paths to new test-case input vector files can be added in TEST\_framework\_main.m.

#### C.2.3 Hardware Setup

The Hardware [\(HW\)](#page-111-0) setup consists of a Base Station [\(BS\)](#page-110-0) (Base Station LF Transceiver SoC [\(BSLFTRX\)](#page-110-0)) and at least nine Key-Fobs (Key-Fob LF Transceiver SoC [\(LFTRX\)](#page-111-0)), whereas the number of Key-Fobs has to be manually changed for the different test-cases. The [BSLFTRX](#page-110-0) has to be programmed with the KGO base station pairing Firmware [\(FW\)](#page-111-0) and all used Key-Fobs with  $KGO_{\text{key-pairing-fw}}$ . It has to be noted that it is necessary to set the right debug ID and debug timeslot for the Key-Fobs in the  $KGO$ - $key$ - $pairing$ - $fw$ [FW,](#page-111-0) before compiling and programming, in order to be able to automatize the test-flow.

| <b>DBG_ID</b>  | DBG_TSN        |
|----------------|----------------|
| 1              | 0              |
| $\overline{2}$ | 1              |
| 3              | $\overline{2}$ |
| 4              | 3              |
| $\overline{5}$ | 4              |
| 6              | 5              |
| 7              | 6              |
| 8              | 7              |
| g              |                |

Table C.1: Debug values for the Key-Fobs.

# C.3 Testing

LINT is included in the Keil framework provided by Maxim Integrated, using the MISRA 2004 rules. In order to run crest following commands have to be executed:

```
1 cd PAIR CREST
2 ../bin/crestc all \_c \_fct.c
  \ldots / bin / run_crest \ldots / all \ _c \ _fct 50 -random_input
```
Then TEST framework main.m in ./test/Pairing has to be executed to run the Matlab Model Testing Framework. This framework will generate the test-case [XML](#page-112-0) files in ./test/Pairing.

For the hardware setup, the script provided in ./test/System\_tests need to be executed, whereas first the absolute paths in the script need to be adjusted. This will generate log-files for all the executed test-cases, which can be found in the same directory. For all test-cases the right number of Key-Fobs in the [HW](#page-111-0) setup have to be set manually.

# Appendix D

# Packet Definition

# D.1 REQUEST

This command requests a specific group of Key-Fobs to reply to the Base Station [\(BS\)](#page-110-0) with their ID.

# D.1.1 Base Station to [Key-Fob](#page-111-0)



Figure D.1: REQUEST-Packet dataload downlink.

### D.1.2 [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to Base Station

| FC.    | 32 bit group-ID | Checksum |
|--------|-----------------|----------|
| 1 byte | 4 byte          | 2 byte   |

Figure D.2: REQUEST-Packet dataload downlink.

# D.2 SET\_TIMING

Sets the permanent timeslot number for a specific [Key-Fob.](#page-111-0)

# D.2.1 Base Station to [Key-Fob](#page-111-0)

| FC.                    | 32 bit Key-Fob ID | <b>TSN</b> |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------|
| $\vert$ 1 byte $\vert$ | 4 byte            | 1byte      |

Figure D.3: SET\_TIMING-Packet dataload downlink.

# D.2.2 [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to Base Station



Figure D.4: SET\_TIMING-Packet dataload downlink.

# D.3 START CRED EXCH

Starts the credential exchange between [BS](#page-110-0) and [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to finalize the pairing procedure.

# D.3.1 Base Station to [Key-Fob](#page-111-0)



Figure D.5: START CRED EXCH-Packet dataload downlink.

# D.3.2 [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to Base Station



Figure D.6: START CRED EXCH-Packet dataload downlink.
### <span id="page-108-0"></span>D.4 CLEAR

Resets the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) and forces it to perform a page erase.

#### D.4.1 Base Station to [Key-Fob](#page-111-0)



Figure D.7: CLEAR-Packet dataload downlink.

#### D.4.2 [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to Base Station

No response by the Intelligent Key Unit used in the Keyless Go System [\(Key-Fob\)](#page-111-0).

#### D.5 DBG SET 32 BIT ID

This command is for testing and debugging purposes. A temporary 32 bit ID for the [LFTRX](#page-111-0) [SoC](#page-112-0) on the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) can be set.

#### D.5.1 Base Station to [Key-Fob](#page-111-0)



Figure D.8: DBG SET 32 BIT ID-Packet dataload downlink.

The dummy bytes are necessary to ensure that the [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) has enough time to process the command.

### <span id="page-109-0"></span>D.5.2 [Key-Fob](#page-111-0) to Base Station



Figure D.9: DBG SET 32 BIT ID-Packet dataload downlink.

# <span id="page-110-0"></span>Appendix E

## Abbreviations



<span id="page-111-0"></span>

- <span id="page-112-0"></span>QPSK Quadrature Shift Keying
- RAM Random Access Memory
- RCO RC Oscillator
- RF Radio Frequency
- RFID Radio Frequency Identification
- ROM Read-Only Memory
- RSSI Received Signal Strength Indication
- RX Receive
- RTS Ready-to-Send
- SALOHA Slotted ALOHA
- SDMA Space Division Multiple Access
- SoC System-on-Chip
- SSP Secure Simple Pairing
- SMT Satisfiability Modulo Theories
- SW Software
- SWI Single Wire Interface
- TDMA Time Division Multiple Access
- TRP Transponder
- TRX Transceiver
- TX Transmit
- UART Universal Asynchronous Receiver/Transmitter
- UHF Ultra High Frequency
- UHFTRX UHF Transceiver SoC
- XML Extensible Markup Language

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