

Kindle3 hacking

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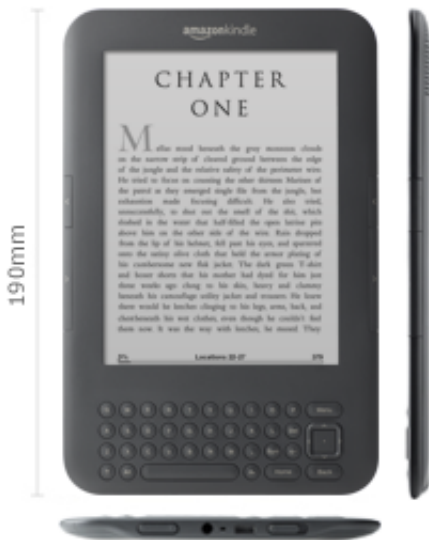
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Amazon Kindle



- CPU: ARMv6
- Hardware : Amazon MX35 Luigi Board
- BogoMIPS : 255.59
- Features : swp half thumb fastmult vfp edsp java
- Hardware : Amazon MX35 Luigi Board
- RAM : 256MB

Hmm?

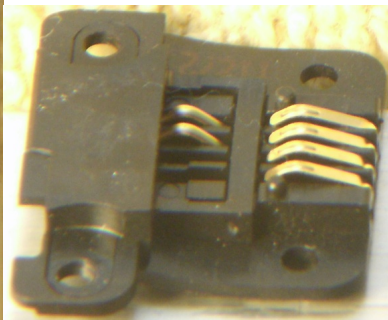
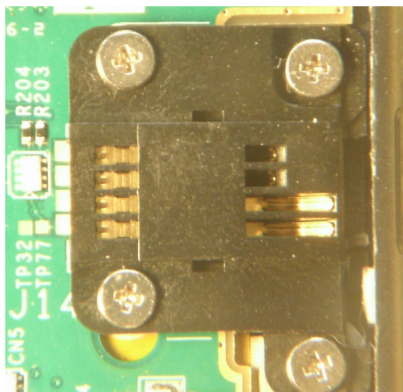


Hardware



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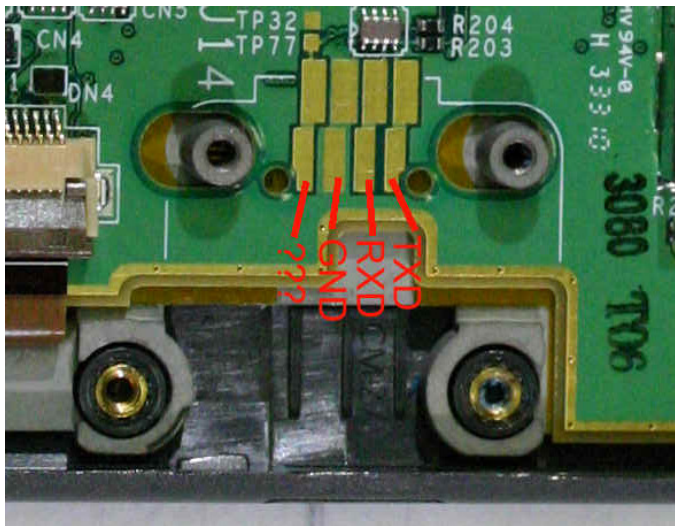
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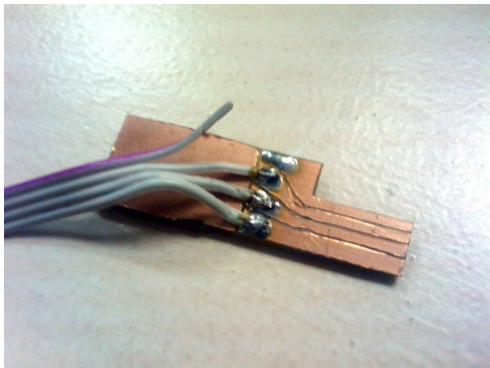
business :)



female pinout

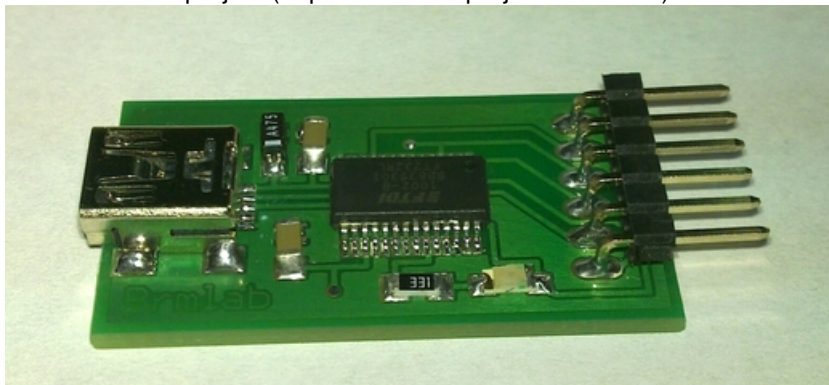


Connector, male

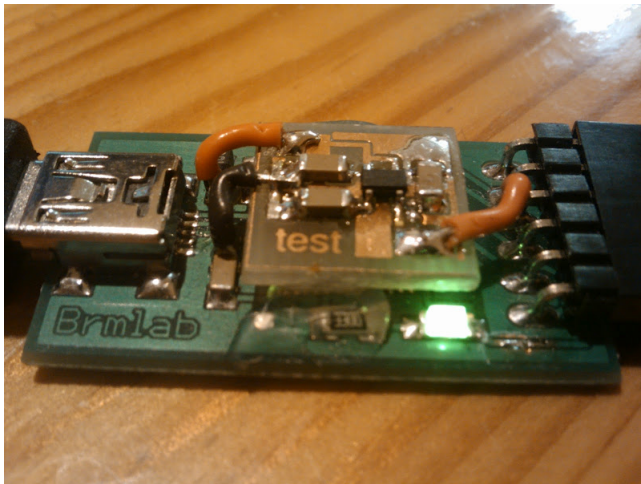


USB to male connector (FTDI)

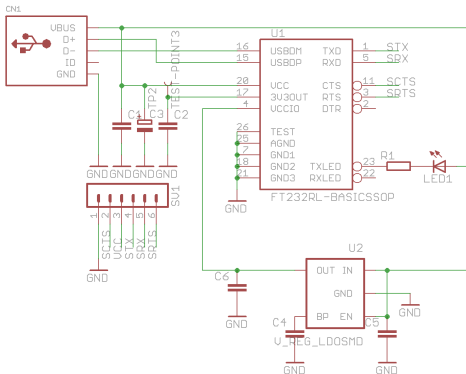
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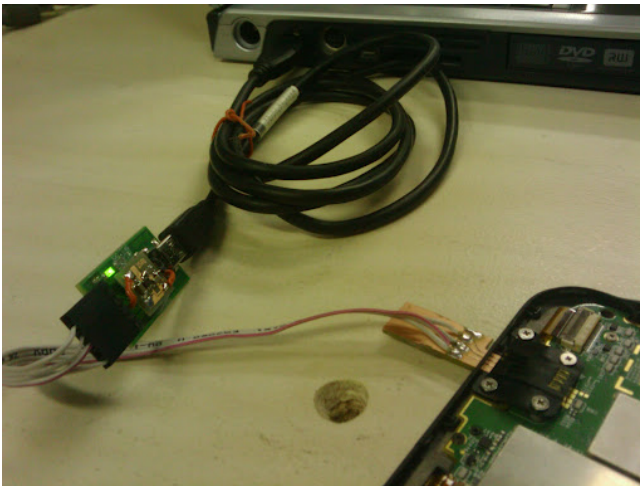
Brmduino FTDI, modified for 1.8V



Brmduino FTDI, modified for 1.8V (schema)



whole FTDI cable connected



- notebook/PC
- USB2 female, type A
- USB2 mini, type B
- FTDI on 1.8V
- four-wire cable
- custom male "basti" connector
- Kindle

minicom, ttyUSB0, 115200 8N1

```
ruza@coursed:~$  
  
Welcome to minicom 2.5  
  
OPTIONS: I18n  
Compiled on May  2 2011, 00:39:27.  
Port /dev/ttyUSB0  
  
Press CTRL-A Z for help on special keys  
  
Welcome to Kindle!  
kindle login:  
  
Welcome to Kindle!  
kindle login: █  
  
CTRL-A Z for help |115200 8N1 | NOR | Minicom 2.5 | VT102 | Offline
```

note: got no tty? reboot by sliding power switch for 20sec

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brute force over serial

```
#!/usr/bin/expect -f

spawn socat -,icanon=0,echo=0 /dev/ttyUSB0,raw,echo=0,b115200
expect "Welcome to Kindle!"
send "\n"
send "\n"

for {set count 0} {$count < 4095} {incr count +1} {
    set counthex [format %03x $count]
    expect {
        "kindle login:"      { send "root\n" }
        "Password: "       { send "fiona$counthex\n" }
        "root@kindle root" { interact ;break }
    }
}
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brute force over serial (USELESS)

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}
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Let's try some common accounts and passwords

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```
kindle login: default
warning: cannot change to home directory
#####
# NOTICE * NOTICE * NOTICE #
#####
Rootfs is mounted read-only. Invoke mntroot rw to
switch back to a writable rootfs.
#####
[default@kindle /]$
[default@kindle /]$ id
uid=1000(default) gid=1000(default)
[default@kindle /]$ uname -a
Linux kindle 2.6.26-rt-lab126 #5 Sat Apr 16 20:16:18 PDT 2011 armv6l unkn
```

cat /etc/passwd

```
root:x:0:0:root:/tmp/root:/bin/sh
daemon:x:1:1:daemon:/usr/sbin:/bin/sh
bin:x:2:2:bin:/bin:/bin/sh
sys:x:3:3:sys:/dev:/bin/sh
sync:x:4:100:sync:/bin:/bin/sync
operator:x:37:37:Operator:/var:/bin/sh
sshd:x:103:99:Operator:/var:/bin/sh
messagebus:x:92:92:messagebus:/bin/false
nobody:x:99:99:nobody:/tmp:/bin/sh
default:x:1000:1000:Default non-root
user:/dev/null:/bin/sh
framework:x:1001:150:Framework User:/tmp/framework:/bin/sh
```

file permissions

```
[default@kindle ~]$ ls -l /etc/passwd /etc/shadow*  
-rw-r--r--    1 root root    429 Apr 17  2011 /etc/passwd  
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```
default:::10933:0:99999:7:::
```

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```
root:5BueRoz.tCa0c:10933:0:99999:7::: (DES !!)
daemon*:10933:0:99999:7:::
bin*:10933:0:99999:7:::
sys*:10933:0:99999:7:::
sync*:10933:0:99999:7:::
operator*:10933:0:99999:7:::
sshd*:10933:0:99999:7:::
messagebus*:10933:0:99999:7:::
nobody*:10933:0:99999:7:::
default::10933:0:99999:7:::
framework:$1$Cewr2/zS$SnxBS8yTMZeIgf/Tk//Xo/:14033:0:99999:7
```

```
cat /etc/shadow
```

```
default::10933:0:99999:7:::
```

```
framework:$1$Cewr2/zS$SnxBS8yTMZeIgf/Tk//Xo/:14033:0:9
```

framework password

```
$ time john kindle-shadow --format=md5
```

framework password

```
$ time john kindle-shadow --format=md5
Loaded 1 password hash (FreeBSD MD5 [32/32])
mario                (framework)
guesses: 1  time: 0:00:00:01 100% (2)  c/s: 3090  trying: mario

real    0m1.199s
user    0m0.720s
sys     0m0.016s
```

login as framework

```
kindle login: framework
Password: mario
#####
#  N O T I C E  *  N O T I C E  *  N O T I C E  #
#####
Rootfs is mounted read-only. Invoke mntroot rw to
switch back to a writable rootfs.
#####
[framework@kindle framework]$ id
uid=1001(framework) gid=150(javausers)
```

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- codename of this e-reader version was "fiona"

let's crack root pass

```
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```
Loaded 1 password hash (Traditional DES [128/128 BS SSE2])
```

```
fiona123 (root)
```

```
guesses: 1 time: 0:00:00:00 c/s:7680 trying: fiona100 - fiona17f
```

```
real 0m0.207s
```

```
user 0m0.076s
```

```
sys 0m0.016s
```

root password is generated

Welcome to Kindle!

kindle login:

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Welcome to Kindle!

kindle login: **PASSWORD?**

root password is generated

```
Welcome to Kindle!
```

```
kindle login:
```

```
fiona
```

root password is generated

Welcome to Kindle!

kindle login:

fiona +

root password is generated

```
Welcome to Kindle!
```

```
kindle login:
```

```
fiona + md5(          )
```

root password is generated

```
Welcome to Kindle!
```

```
kindle login:
```

```
fiona + md5($serial_num)
```

root password is generated

```
Welcome to Kindle!
```

```
kindle login:
```

```
fiona + md5($serial_num) [8-10]
```

this also works..

```
$ grep Serial /proc/cpuinfo|cut -b12-27|md5sum|cut -b8-10
```

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/var/local/java/prefs/DevicePassword.pw

```
DevicePassword-disabled.pw
0000 0000: AC ED 00 05 73 72 00 36 63 6F 6D 2E 61 6D 61 7A ....sr.6 com.amaz
0000 0010: 6F 6E 2E 65 62 6F 6F 6B 2E 66 72 61 6D 65 77 6F on.ebook .framewo
0000 0020: 72 6B 2E 69 6D 70 6C 2E 73 65 63 75 72 69 74 79 rk.impl. security
0000 0030: 2E 50 61 73 73 77 6F 72 64 53 74 61 74 65 B3 47 .Passwor dState.G
0000 0040: 6D 3D EC 77 58 E7 02 00 04 49 00 08 61 74 74 65 m=.wX... .I..atte
0000 0050: 6D 70 74 73 5A 00 07 65 6E 61 62 6C 65 64 4C 00 mptsZ..e nabledL.
0000 0060: 04 68 69 6E 74 74 00 12 4C 6A 61 76 61 2F 6C 61 .hintt.. Ljava/la
0000 0070: 6E 67 2F 53 74 72 69 6E 67 3B 4C 00 0C 70 61 73 ng/Strin g:L..pas
0000 0080: 73 77 6F 72 64 48 61 73 68 71 00 7E 00 01 78 70 swordHas hq.~..xp
0000 0090: 00 00 00 00 60 70 70 .....!P
0000 00A0:
0000 00B0:
0000 00C0:
0000 00D0:

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0000 0010: 6F 6E 2E 65 62 6F 6F 6B 2E 66 72 61 6D 65 77 6F on.ebook .framewo
0000 0020: 72 6B 2E 69 6D 70 6C 2E 73 65 63 75 72 69 74 79 rk.impl. security
0000 0030: 2E 50 61 73 73 77 6F 72 64 53 74 61 74 65 B3 47 .Passwor dState.G
0000 0040: 6D 3D EC 77 58 E7 02 00 04 49 00 08 61 74 74 65 m=.wX... .I..atte
0000 0050: 6D 70 74 73 5A 00 07 65 6E 61 62 6C 65 64 4C 00 mptsZ..e nabledL.
0000 0060: 04 68 69 6E 74 74 00 12 4C 6A 61 76 61 2F 6C 61 .hintt.. Ljava/la
0000 0070: 6E 67 2F 53 74 72 69 6E 67 3B 4C 00 0C 70 61 73 ng/Strin g:L..pas
0000 0080: 73 77 6F 72 64 48 61 73 68 71 00 7E 00 01 78 70 swordHas hq.~..xp
0000 0090: 00 00 00 00 61 74 60 63 77 65 76 74 60 1B 6C C3 .....t... wept....
0000 00A0: B6 5C 72 16 67 C2 60 2B 50 C3 9F C3 67 C2 60 C0 .Ar.....P.....
0000 00B0: 80 C3 8A C3 8B 6B 40 13 C3 62 7F .....A0. ...
0000 00C0:
0000 00D0:

Arrow keys move F find RET next difference ESC quit T move top
C ASCII/EBCDIC E edit file G goto position Q quit B move bottom
```


<https://code.google.com/p/jdeserialize/>

```
ruza@ingnue:~$ java -jar jdeserialize-1.1.jar DevicePassword-aaa.pw
read: com.amazon.ebook.framework.impl.security.PasswordState _h0x7e0002 = r_0x7e0000

//// BEGIN class declarations (excluding array classes)
class com.amazon.ebook.framework.impl.security.PasswordState implements
  java.io.Serializable {
    int attempts;
    boolean enabled;
    java.lang.String hint;
    java.lang.String passwordHash; }

//// BEGIN instance dump
[instance 0x7e0002: 0x7e0000/com.amazon.ebook.framework.impl.security.PasswordState
  field data:
    0x7e0000/com.amazon.ebook.framework.impl.security.PasswordState:
      passwordHash: r0x7e0004: [String 0x7e0004: "ä³ÄvïE°yïÀOû"ã>"]
      hint: r0x7e0003: [String 0x7e0003: "a"]
      attempts: 0
      enabled: true
```

com.amazon.ebook.framework.impl.resources.PasswordReso



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- Java code obfuscated by "Allatori Obfuscator v2.8"



Allatori obfuscator vs JAVa Decompiler

```
private String b(String a)
{
    byte a[];
    MessageDigest a;
    if(a == null || a.length() == 0)
        return null;
    String a = b.d().getDeviceSerialID();
    a = a + a;
    a = null;
    try
    {
        a = a.getBytes("UTF-8");
    }
    ....
_L3:
    a;
    JVM INSTR icmpge 52;
    goto _L1 _L2
_L1:
    a.append((char) (a[a] & 0xff));
    ++a;
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updates

- OTA
- update*.bin on MMC/SD

offset	size	value
0	4	signature (OTA: "FC02", manual: "FB01")
4	4	fromVersion (minimal version to update)
8	4	toVersion (maximal version to update)
0C	2	deviceCode (3rd and 4th number of the serial)
0E	1	updateOptional (seems unused)
0F	1	
10	32	scrambled md5 hash string of the tgz
20000	?	scrambled tgz with update files

Jailbreak

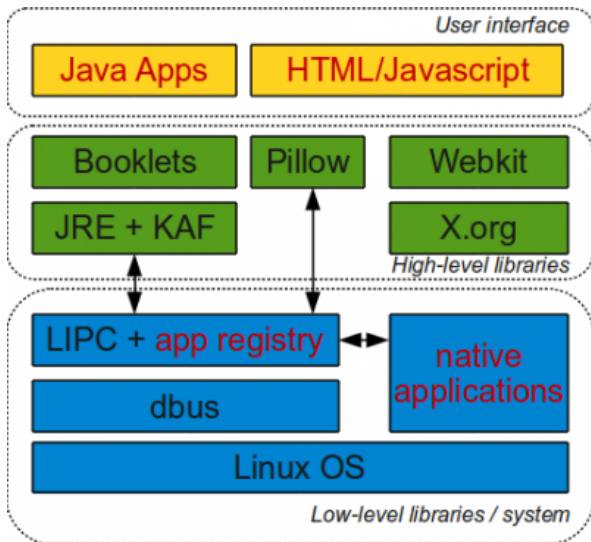
In fact, it only installs an additional "developer" key on the device, allowing for the installation of additional packages via the Kindle's own update mechanism.

Source code, semi-open system

<http://goo.gl/6MDdo>

```
alsa-lib alsa-utils atk base-files base-passwd busybox cairo  
DirectFB dosfstools e2fsprogs e2fsprogs enchant fuse gdb  
glib glibc gnutls gst-plugins-base gst-plugins-good gstreamer  
gtk+ ifupdown iptables libgcrypt libgpg-error libltdl libol  
libproxy libsoup libvolume-id linux-2.6.26-lab126 lrzsz  
module-init-tools mtd-utils pango picocom powertop procps  
syslog-ng sysvinit taglib uboot-1.3.0-rc3/ udev util-linux  
webkit wireless_tools
```

Big picture aka architecture



Serial cable vs USB networking

```
U-Boot 1.3.0-rc3-lab126 (Apr 16 2011 - 20:15:23)
Hit any key to stop autoboot:  0
## Booting image at 87f40400 ...
   Image Name:   Linux-2.6.26-rt-lab126
   Image Type:   ARM Linux Kernel Image (uncompressed)
   Data Size:    2168740 Bytes =  2.1 MB
   Load Address: 80008000
   Entry Point:  80008000
   Verifying Checksum ... OK
   Loading Kernel Image ... OK
```

```
Starting kernel ...
```

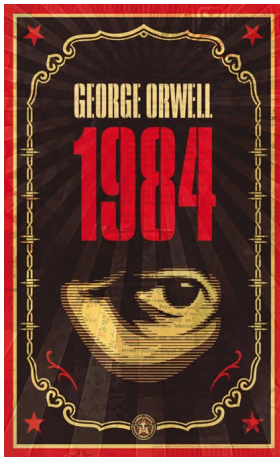
```
2.6.26-rt-lab126 #5 Sat Apr 16 20:16:18 PDT 2011 armv6l
```

```
Press [ENTER] for recovery menu...
```

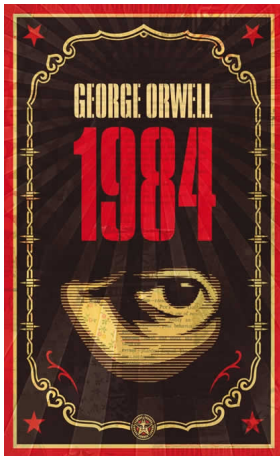


Kindle 1984 incident (July 2009)

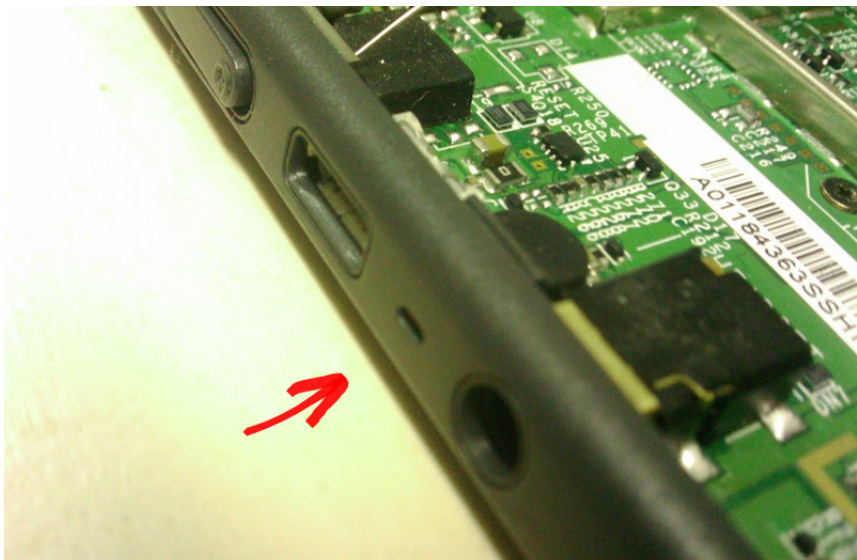
Kindle 1984 incident (July 2009)



Kindle 1984 incident (July 2009)



Internal microphone



Internal microphone!

```
[root@kindle asound]# arecord -l
**** List of CAPTURE Hardware Devices ****
card 0: mx35luigi [mx35luigi], device 0:
  WM8960 HiFi WM8960-I2S-0 []
  Subdevices: 1/1
  Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
```

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```

```
[root@kindle asound]# arecord -d 10 -c 1 -r 16000 -f S16_LE /tmp/test-mi
Recording WAVE '/tmp/test-mic.wav' : Signed 16 bit Little Endian,
Rate 16000 Hz, Mono
```

Internal microphone!

```
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card 0: mx35luigi [mx35luigi], device 0:
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  Subdevice #0: subdevice #0
```

```
[root@kindle asound]# arecord -d 10 -c 1 -r 16000 -f S16_LE /tmp/test-mic
Recording WAVE '/tmp/test-mic.wav' : Signed 16 bit Little Endian,
Rate 16000 Hz, Mono
```

```
[root@kindle asound]# aplay /tmp/test-mic.wav
Playing WAVE '/tmp/test-mic.wav' : Signed 16 bit Little Endian,
Rate 16000 Hz, Mono
Aborted by signal Interrupt...
```