

CAN We Talk Python?

*Talking to your vehicle over the CAN bus
with Python*

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CAN?



The standard CAN frame (mostly)

ID: 0x123

DLC: 8

Data: 8 bytes / 64 bits

[0] 0x18

[1] 0x29

[2] 0x3A

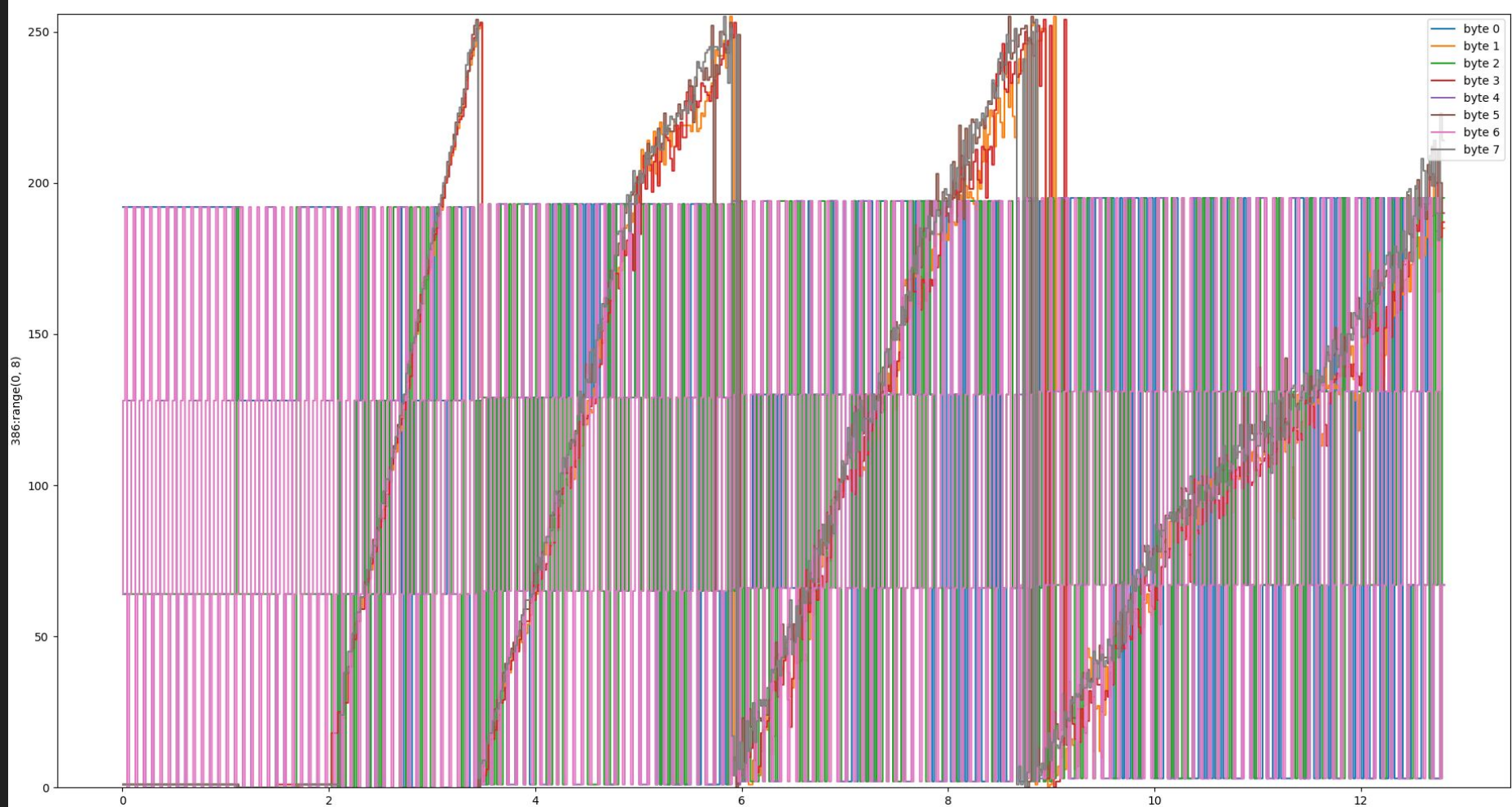
[3] 0x4B

[4] 0x5C

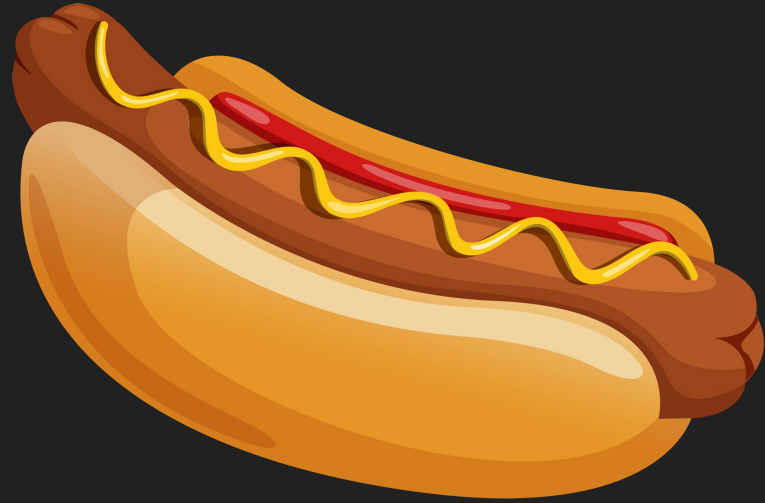
[5] 0x6D

[6] 0x7E

[7] 0x8F



```
byte1 = (data[offset + 1] & 0x0F) << 8  
byte0 = data[offset]  
value = byte1 | byte0  
wheel_speed = value / 10.0
```



The OBD-II Port



(My 2006 Hyundai Elantra)

A LOT of chatter!

can_we_talk.py

github.com/shnewto/can-we-talk

```
1 # pip install python-can
2 import can
3
4 bus = can.interface.Bus(
5     bustype='socketcan_native', channel='can0', bitrate=500000)
6
7 pid = 0x2F # fuel tank level
8
9 query_frame = [0x02, 0x01, pid, 0x55, 0x55, 0x55, 0x55, 0x55]
10
11 query_arbitration_id = 0x7DF # Defined by OBD-II standard
12
13 msg = can.Message(
14     arbitration_id=query_arbitration_id, data=query_frame, extended_id=False)
15
16 bus.send(msg)
17
18 reply_arbitration_id = 0x7E8 # Defined by OBD-II standard
19
20 reply = bus.recv(timeout)
21
22 if (reply is not None) and (reply.arbitration_id == reply_arbitration_id):
23     print(reply.data)
```

oscc-check.py

github.com/PolySync/oscc-check

```
import osccan
```

```
bus = osccan.CanBus( )
```

```
report = bus.check_wheel_speed( )
```

```
print(report.value)
```

The CAN bus and your car

Questions?

Resources

sheas.blog/talks (slide deck)

Code:

- github.com/shnewto/can-we-talk OBD-II reader
- github.com/PolySync/oscc-check Vehicle actuation and status reports

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