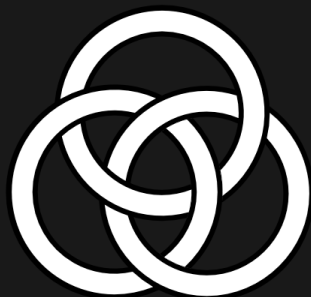




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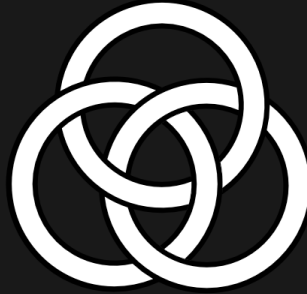
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## What is Blockchain Commons?

- We are a community interested in self-sovereign control of digital assets.
- We bring together stakeholders to collaboratively develop interoperable infrastructure.
- We design decentralized solutions where everyone wins.
- We are a neutral "not-for-profit" that enables people to control their own digital destiny.

Thank you to our Sponsors!



## Sponsorships

- It's been a tough year! We've lost a number of sponsors!
  - They remain interested in our tech.
  - But they're having problems with funding.
- Become a sponsor, mail us at [team@blockchaincommons.com](mailto:team@blockchaincommons.com)
- We can also support your company on specific projects
  - Open source & related to our specifications
  - Talk to us!
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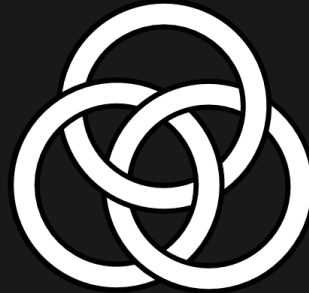


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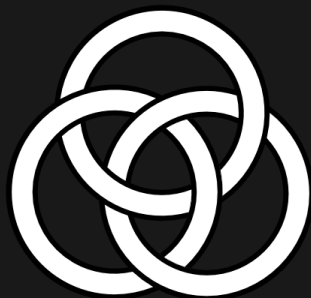
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## Last Meeting

- PayJoin Presentation!
- SSH-Envelope
- The Request/Response Use Case



## Today's Topics

- Seedtool in Rust
- Why SSH?
  - SSH Envelope-CLI Updates
- Gordian Sealed Transaction Protocol (GSTP)





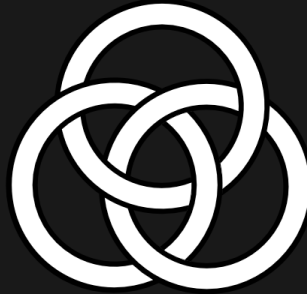
## Seedtool-CLI-Rust Release

- Seedtool-CLI Is Now Available in Rust
  - `seedtool-cli-rust`
- Updated to Our Newest Specifications
- See The New User Manual
- What's Next?
  - Descriptors? Attachments? BIP-85?
  - We'll have a full presentation on BIP-85 next month!



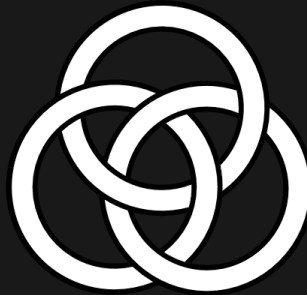
## Why SSH?

- We're updating Envelope-CLI for SSH
- Traditionally, SSH keys have been used for authentication
- But now they can be used for code signing
  - Git & GitHub are the leaders here
  - We'd like to see more tools for software supply chain
- Offer SSH keys also shows flexibility of Envelope.
  - Not agility, but flexible.
- So here's what we've done ...



## Envelope-CLI Updates

- `bc-envelope-rust` is now at 0.9.0
  - The older `envelope-cli-swift` has been deprecated
    - `diffs` & `mermaid` output not yet ported
- New Envelope-Rust Features
  - `generate signer` has options for deriving SSH keys
  - `import` & `export` SSH keys
  - `sign` with SSH keys!
  - info on URs with SSH keys & signatures
  - Verify SSH signatures!



## Envelope-CLI Breaking Changes

- `--prvkeys` is now `--signer`
- `--pubkeys` is now `--verifier`



## Gordian Sealed Transaction Protocol (GSTP)

- GSTP is our Envelope Protocol for Secure Transmissions
  - See BCR-2023-014
  - Uses Envelope Request/Response with Encryption
- New! Support for Bidirectional Cryptographic Continuation
  - Preserve the state to pick up operation at a later time
  - Methodology for doing this now standardized
- Our Research Sponsor for this work is FOUNDATION DEVICES
  - <https://foundation.xyz/>
  - Want to sponsor specific work? Let us know!



## Next Month's Meeting!

- Back to our Regular First Wednesday Date
  - Wednesday, August 7
- Planned Topics
  - A Special Presentation on BIP-85
  - More on Using SSH with Envelope



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