

Blockchain Commons

Advocating for the Creation of Open. Interoperable.



What is Blockchain Commons?

- We are a community supporting the 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.

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 - They remain interested in supporting our technology.
 - But they're having problems with funding.
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- We can also support your company on specific projects
 - Open source & related to our specifications
 - Talk to us!
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 - HRF for a Recent FROST Grant!
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Last Meeting

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



Today's Topics

- Seed Resilience
- Seeds in Blockchain Commons Tools
- BIP-85
- Ledger Seed Tool
- What's Next?



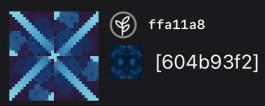
Seed Resilience

- Seeds are the heart of Digital Asset Security
- The "Layer 0" of Cryptographic Security
- Just 12 or 24 Bytes, But Crucial
- How do We Keep them Safe? (Security)
- How do We Avoid Losing them? (Resilience)
- We'll Explore that Today!



Blockchain Commons Specs & Tools

- What's working so far?
 - UR/Envelope for Seed Storage
 - SSKR Sharding for Seed Resilience
 - Request/Response for Seed Transfer & Key Derivation
- Reference Apps
 - Seedtool-CLI-Rust
 - Create & manage seeds on the command line
 - Integrate with Envelope-CLI & Other Apps
 - iOS Seedtool
 - Best Practices app on your iPhone
 - For helping developers implement & test standards!



Yinmn Blue Acid Exam





Seed as Gordian Envelope

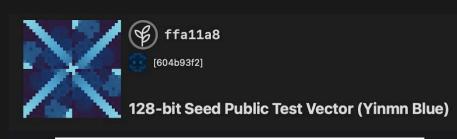
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Minimal Bytewords convert to dCBOR:



Seedtool iOS & macOS Features

- Create Seeds
- Identify Seeds
 - Name, LifeHash, Object Identity Block
- Backup Seeds
 - BIP-39, ByteWords, Hex
 - Envelope
 - Metadata, Name, Date, Note, Output Descriptors
 - QRs
- Shard Seeds
 - SSKR, SSKR-Envelope (CSR/Gordian Depository)
- Derive Keys
 - Bitcoin, Ethereum, Tezos
- Sign Bitcoin PSBT requests





Yinmn Blue in SeedTool for iOS/macOS

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Seedtool-CLI Features

- Create Seeds
- Backup Seeds
 - BIP-39, ByteWords, Hex
 - Envelope
 - o Metadata, Name, Date, Note
 - Multipart URs
- Shard Seeds
 - SSKR, SSKR-Envelope (CSR/Gordian Depository)
- Translate Seeds
- Integrate with Envelope-CLI
 - Signing
 - Eliding
 - Encryption



Using Seedtool-CLI

```
$ seedtool
89290acafd0aafb21bd53904de47ed80
$ seedtool -i hex 89290acafd0aafb21bd53904de47ed80 -o bip39
matrix embark razor wheel priority suit hungry poet age vendor window abandon
$ seedtool -i hex 89290acafd0aafb21bd53904de47ed80 -o sskr -g 2-of-3
ur:envelope/lftansfwlrhdcetbsorflpmelgyaguurjzbdiyguetbzcyyacmldcwjennhnaysklgm
ur:envelope/lftansfwlrhdcetbsorflpmelgyaguurjzbdiyguetbzcyyacmldcwjennhnaysklgm
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$ seedtool -i hex 89290acafd0aafb21bd53904de47ed80 -o envelope | envelope forma
Bytes(16) [
    'isA': 'Seed'
]
```



What's Next?

- Our main topic for the day!
- What's upcoming & just becoming available?
- How do we support it?
- How do we improve SECURITY & RESILIENCE for seeds?



BIP-85

- BIP-85 Uses a Single Seed for Multiple Wallets
- Children Seed Derived from Parent Seed
 - with a Simple Index
- One Seed to rule them all, One Key to find them, One Path to bring them all, And in cryptography bind them.



Ledger Seed Tool Application

- A New Tool for Seed Resilience!
- Shamir's Secret Sharing on Ledger
 - with Blockchain Commons' SSKR
 - And Lots More Assistants!
- https://www.ledger.com/blog/seed-tool-app
- 7 million hardware wallets can now use SSKR!



Key Exfiltration

- We need to stay up to date with modern threats
 - We've known about key exfiltration since 2018!
- It's about how keys could be compromized
 - Through untrustworthy signatures
 - Specifically, non-random nonces
 - But randomness is important to seeds too!
 - GSTP and FROST can help with both.



What's Next?

- There are lots of other ways to protect seeds
 - BIP-85 for hot wallets is an example
- There are lots of adversaries to be concerned about
 - Key Exfiltration is getting attention today
- What else?
- What features do we want for
 - iOS Seedtool & Seedtool-CLI?
 - Ledger Seed Tool?



Possible Additions

- Child Seed Derivation
 - BIP-85
- More Key Derivations
 - ZCash, Monero?
- Backup Mechanisms
 - GSTP and Gordian Depository Deployment
 - NFCs on NREF or smart JavaCards
- Key Generation and Multi-Party Computation
 - Trusted Dealer & Distributed; MUSIG2 & FROST
- What Else?



Get Involved!

- Use Our Existing Specs
 - UR for interoperable connections & animated QRs
 - SSKR bytewords for simple sharding
 - Envelope for Smart Storage
- Get In On the Next Thing: Collaborative Seed Recovery
 - Shard your seeds & metadata with SSKR-Envelope
 - Support GSTP, Host a Gordian Depository



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