Bitcoin Scripting Assignment Report

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Introduction

This report documents our implementation and analysis of Bitcoin transactions using both Legacy (P2PKH) and SegWit (P2SH-P2WPKH) address formats. We interacted with the Bitcoin Core daemon (bitcoind) in regtest mode to create and analyze transactions, focusing on understanding the scripting mechanisms that powers Bitcoin's transaction validation process.

Environment Setup

We used the following environment for this assignment:

- Bitcoin Core v25.0 in regtest mode
- Python 3.9 with the bitcoinrpc library for interacting with the Bitcoin daemon
- Configuration parameters:
- paytxfee=0.0001fallbackfee=0.0002mintxfee=0.00001txconfirmtarget=1

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Part 1: Legacy P2PKH Transactions

Workflow

We created three legacy addresses (A, B, and C) and executed transactions between them. The workflow was as follows:

- 1. Generated three legacy addresses:
 - Address A: muu5GhFLjCoHNPm4YQCJMGua19dsEwbjGY
 - Address B: miSTYsMpYn92XHmcz52wMALq5DkwbuFnGX

Address C: mhfVq5BCy8RcDk6EKY3EubtTeYfn5ii8rd

- 2. Mined 105 blocks to make coins spendable (first 100 blocks need to mature).
- 3. Funded Address A with 10 BTC:
 - Transaction ID:
 16b19d058d46750c02088c71d4e9743ffd9699bb2b45a4a274e3399fdfad
 42dd
- 4. Created and executed Transaction A→B:
 - o Sent 1.0 BTC from Address A to Address B
 - Transaction ID:
 f0c473628feed0ae20bc9904af7296791058898472d1ba17236c9203bff43
 c6e
- 5. Created and executed Transaction B→C:
 - o Used the UTXO from the A→B transaction
 - o Sent 0.5 BTC from Address B to Address C
 - Transaction ID:
 683fd0b6290da9e44158415f72ff8f52ccae47bdd6647ce3a41df9ee56436
 5d2

Transaction Script Analysis (P2PKH)

Transaction A→B (Legacy P2PKH)

Input Script (ScriptSig):

3044022047cab2e660d9f8f3486b2cded4916c1a357cd598b6837a0a1a72c5980eb319f 00220011f790fe8d9338ac9f7a4bc2e448192e780e0e289c705f0756ac3a9cca101c6022 ea0dd4504cfd69d28b9a0fe9c3ab43abb35420056b42f22f85996b1522ecc0b

Output Script (ScriptPubKey):

OP_DUP OP_HASH160 68c6c9e0b1fb2e4747720482f451c8dabb85d600 OP_EQUALVERIFY OP_CHECKSIG

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Transaction A → B (Legacy P2PKH) = 
Transaction 10: 16c4736281ec080e280bC7994af729679185898472d1ba17236c928bff43c6e

Input: 
TXID: 16b19088046750c82888C71d4e9743ffd9699bb7b45a4a274e3399fdfad42d

Vout: 0

ScrintSig: 
30440220647c7cfdc6d641729fe16897788f5a8777178a499d1e38ad8668d736fbc3380e0220462414dc428a97fb2f585e0845ab321547edae6981795482a89b75243e77b4b9[ALL]

82fca184de28f2d838d8af5lec7ze08deb1db23698d99d88d37966dd181f8533fc

82fca184de28f2d838d8af5lec7ze08deb1db23698d99d88d37966dd181f8533fc

82fca184de28f2d838d8af5lec7ze08deb1db23698d99d88d37966dd181f8533fc

82fca184de28f2d838d8af5lec7ze08deb1db23698d99d88d37966dd181f8533fc

82fca184de28f2d838d8af5lec7ze08deb1db23698d99d88d37966dd181f8533fc

82fca184de28f2d838d8af5lec7ze08deb1db23698d98d88d5996dd181f8533fc

82fca184de28f2d838d8af5lec7ze08deb1db23698d98d88d596dd181f8533fc

82fca184de28f2d838d8af5lec7ze08deb1d82698d98d88d98d8d8736fb68f85f1a9637fce688e2 0P_EQUALVERIFY OP_CHECKSIG

82fca184d8af5de28de59d98d98d98d8d8d9f4dd5d88b58d48ecd7ae 0P_EQUALVERIFY OP_CHECKSIG

83 Transaction size: 225 bytes

84 Transaction from misiTysMpyn92XHmc252mMALq50kmbuFn6X to mhfVq5BCy8RcDk6EKY3EubtTeYfn5ii8rd for 8.5 BTC

84 Available UTXG: [{txid': 'f6c473628feed8ae28bc9984af7296791858898472d1ba17236c9283bff4356e', 'vout': 8, 'address': 'misTysMpyn92XHmc252mMALq50kmbuFn6X'

84 'Isabel': 'r, 'seriptFublkey': '76a944388bb874fd8b81849f4ad66f8571a9637fce68e288ac', 'amount': Decimal('1.80808080), 'confirmations': 1, 'spendable: True,

85 'Isabel': 'r, 'seriptFublkey': '76a944388bb874fd8b81849f4ad66f8571a9637fce68e288ac, 'amount': Decimal('1.80808080), 'confirmations': 1, 'spendable: True,

86 'Isabel': 'r, 'seriptFublkey': '76a944888b874fd8b81849f4ad66f8571a9637fce68e288ac, 'amount': Decimal('1.808080800), 'confirmations': 1, 'spendable: True,

87 'Isabel': 'r, 'seriptFublkey': '76a944888b874fd8b81849f4ad66f8571a9637fce68e288ac, 'amount': Decimal('1.808080800), 'confirmations': 1, 'spendable: True,

88 'Isabel': 'r, 'seriptFublkey': '76a944888b874fd8b81849f4ad66f8571a9637fce68e2888ac808
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Transaction B→C (Legacy P2PKH)

Input Script (ScriptSig):

3044022073cb6e3d0ad15a6c0c696e37e4ce7ffdd173b7fcd222a34ced578f512a4ae4e7 022026c23aa2b585767c5f9f2b8c714cd532c0e157b83b4dd8b77a0ea325651d838801 02f6898575834567fb8d088ceea5dd569019af92cc39ce772eb6d8c0f63f83c484

Output Script (ScriptPubKey):

OP_DUP OP_HASH160 2d39ea3e1100fe1bf6d71f881b808fbd5451f0c5 OP_EQUALVERIFY OP_CHECKSIG

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Transaction B → C (Legacy P2PKH) 

Transaction ID: 0e8c30e92a47cb2db85e8d85dc2109d1b45fec8feefc14d3adcd919109f755c4

Input:

TXID: f0c473628feed0ae20bc9904af7296791058898472d1ba17236c9203bff43c6e

Vout: 0

ScriptSig:

3044022000095ae02b4c8daae1949ba595ec43467f4743492c7dd90d819ee11e29ae7d42d0220281221c8e6dfc3cc0bce679565a9b2c8889c89a4f3a7c5777d56720e42b00b0d[ALL]

83bbc8e64f8eb50e1261b8a6c3fd20b3dfa9e3cc40b9545124497378367261f8d0e

Outputs:

Amount: 0.500000000 BTC

ScriptPubKey:

OP_DUP OP_HASH160 178de737a6ec4a4cde4f313ccbbe59cffe906086 OP_EQUALVERIFY OP_CHECKSIG

Amount: 0.49990000 BTC

ScriptPubKey:

OP_DUP OP_HASH160 200eb7ffd00e1849f4ad66f8571a9637fce6e8e2 OP_EQUALVERIFY OP_CHECKSIG

Transaction vsize: 225 bytes

Transaction vsize: 225 bytes

Transaction Size Summary (Legacy) 

Legacy A→B size: 225 bytes, vsize: 225 bytes

Legacy B→C size: 225 bytes, vsize: 225 bytes
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Debugger Terminal Screen Shots:-

guest@dr-HP-Z2-Tower-G9-Workstation-Desktop-PC:~\$ btcdeb				
tx 92080900016-3.cf4bf03926c2317bad17284895818799672af0499bc28aed0ee8f6273c4f0009008086a47304402200905ae02b4c8daae1949ba595ec4346714743492c7dd908819ee11e29ae7d42d0220281221c8eddfc3cc0bce679565a9t				
btcdeb 5.0.24 — type btcdeb -h for start up options				
	LOG: signing segwit taproot			
notice: btcdeb has gotten quieter; useverbose if necessary (this message is temporary) input tx index = 0; tx input vout = 0; value = 1000000000				
got witness stack of size 0				
8 op script loaded. type help for usage information				
script	stack			
384482288895ae82b4c8daae1949ba595ec43467f4743492c7dd98d819ee11e				
03bbc8e64f8eb50e1261b8a6c3fd20b3dfa9e3c40b9545124497378367261f8d0e				
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200eb7ffd00e1849f4ad66f8571a9637fce6e8e2				
OP_EQUALVERIFY				
OP_CHECKSIG #8000 38/482388885=202044284184805E55243/475/7/3/822744884818281	 1e29ae7d42d8228281221c8e6dfc3cc8bce679565a9b2c8889c89a4f3a7c5777d56728e42b89b8d81			
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OP_CHECKSIG				
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OP_CHECKSIG				
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Script Execution Flow

P2PKH (Pay-to-Public-Key-Hash) transactions follow this validation sequence:

- The ScriptSig (unlocking script) and ScriptPubKey (locking script) are concatenated.
- 2. The combined script is executed by the Bitcoin Script interpreter.

For P2PKH, the execution follows:

[Signature] [Public Key] OP_DUP OP_HASH160 [Public Key Hash] OP_EQUALVERIFY OP_CHECKSIG

This execution:

- 1. Pushes the signature and public key onto the stack
- 2. Duplicates the public key (OP_DUP)
- 3. Hashes the public key (OP_HASH160)
- 4. Compares the hash with the expected public key hash (OP_EQUALVERIFY)
- 5. Verifies the signature against the public key (OP_CHECKSIG)

If all operations succeed, the transaction is valid.

Example Script Execution

For Transaction A→B:

1. Stack:

[3045022100f2a3e245ab5af1c76bdad8c0231bb38c3e32fb61c6f8ce073ef86e4f0644cb 2c02203c8fe9e88e5266b7e64ba6fcc8b7c6da68dcb47cfcb1c59de4a07a8162cd5f5101] [03a72f82143f639e0147275c3e92e6d643df73e6f44b15fce04e067e7d3a53a210]

2. OP_DUP: Stack:

[3045022100f2a3e245ab5af1c76bdad8c0231bb38c3e32fb61c6f8ce073ef86e4f0644cb 2c02203c8fe9e88e5266b7e64ba6fcc8b7c6da68dcb47cfcb1c59de4a07a8162cd5f5101] [03a72f82143f639e0147275c3e92e6d643df73e6f44b15fce04e067e7d3a53a210] [03a72f82143f639e0147275c3e92e6d643df73e6f44b15fce04e067e7d3a53a210]

3. OP_HASH160: Stack:

[3045022100f2a3e245ab5af1c76bdad8c0231bb38c3e32fb61c6f8ce073ef86e4f0644cb 2c02203c8fe9e88e5266b7e64ba6fcc8b7c6da68dcb47cfcb1c59de4a07a8162cd5f5101][03a72f82143f639e0147275c3e92e6d643df73e6f44b15fce04e067e7d3a53a210] [68c6c9e0b1fb2e4747720482f451c8dabb85d600]

4. Push [68c6c9e0b1fb2e4747720482f451c8dabb85d600]: Stack: [3045022100f2a3e245ab5af1c76bdad8c0231bb38c3e32fb61c6f8ce073ef86e4f0644cb 2c02203c8fe9e88e5266b7e64ba6fcc8b7c6da68dcb47cfcb1c59de4a07a8162cd5f5101] [03a72f82143f639e0147275c3e92e6d643df73e6f44b15fce04e067e7d3a53a210] [68c6c9e0b1fb2e4747720482f451c8dabb85d600]

[68c6c9e0b1fb2e4747720482f451c8dabb85d600]

5. OP_EQUALVERIFY: Stack:

[3045022100f2a3e245ab5af1c76bdad8c0231bb38c3e32fb61c6f8ce073ef86e4f0644cb 2c02203c8fe9e88e5266b7e64ba6fcc8b7c6da68dcb47cfcb1c59de4a07a8162cd5f5101][03a72f82143f639e0147275c3e92e6d643df73e6f44b15fce04e067e7d3a53a210]

6. OP_CHECKSIG: Stack: [TRUE]

Part 2: P2SH-SegWit Address Transactions

Workflow

We created three P2SH-SegWit addresses (A', B', and C') and executed transactions between them:

1. Generated three P2SH-SegWit addresses:

- Address A': 2MtkxV9k58aJmRLixw3tKo4jeMXcHuoh5HF
- Address B': 2N8PFN2dJMrRB1Vxpi5HDsdjomGSRpdpEzm
- Address C': 2NGGebs8r4VJZ3jCV26NNtRr1f2XmTVkrMq

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### PZSH-PZMPKH (SegMit) Transactions #### Address A': 2MtkvVyKS8aJmRLiw3tKdjeMXcHuohSHF Address B': 2NBFNzdJMrRBIVxpi5HDsdjom6SRpdpEzm Address C': 2NGGebsBr-AVJZ3jCVZ6NMtRrIfZXmTVkrMg  

Funded Address A' with txid: f4afa83fd3d3c3899a839c8fc297636a880ee8fd04ca799101888d981ac2fb81

Creating transaction from 2MtkvVyKS8aJmRLixw3tKddjeMXcHuohSHF to 2NBFNZdJMrRBIVxpi5HDsdjom6SRpdpEzm for 1.8 BTC  
Available UTXDs: [{'txid': 'f4afa83fd3d3cc309a839c8fc297636a880ee8fd04ca799101888d981ac2fb81', 'vut': 1, 'address': '2MtkxV9K58aJmRLixw3tKd4jeMXcHuohSHF', 'label': '', 'redeemScript': '081d629cdfef908Zab4cla05501ff8502e6fe2605014', 'scriptPubkey': 'a9141097a9fad24689a177c0543bdc05779bee10857987', 'amount': Decimal('10.080000000'), 'confirmations': 1, 'spendable': True, 'olvable': True, 'desc': ''sh(wpkh([8a19-380b/49h/1h)8h/8/3]828fd01829d8ce9d534C350908fe9e35d5915faa959061caa8eff77ca498c0682)) #xlsk7dp8', 'parent_descs': ['sh(wpkh(tpubD6NzVbkrYhZ4X1kcAQM4h3MRmCaorUmoy5NhHbmim9Q3nK31nP3a9jfTMEXDNYwe6DLY4x28ksTSbhEHenGHJRxeXXZGf7LEhG1diwVi8F9/49h/1h/8h/8/*))#rSpkn5tc'], 'safe': True}]

Raw transaction created:

@2080000001817bc21a988d88019179ca84fde80e088aa6397c28f9c839a30ecd3d33fa8aff40180000000ffffffff8280e1f5050000000017a914a60e5cb727a34dfdf9278998fbd4fec48  
b499efc87f0c1a4350000000017a9141097a9fad24689a177c0543bdc05779bee1085798700000000

Signed transaction: {'hex': ''g280000000017a914a60e5c  
b727a34dfdf9278998fbd4fec40bv9pefc87f0c1a43550000000017a914a50e5cb  
b727a34dfdf9278998fbd4fec40bv9pefc87f0c1a43550000000017a914a50e5cb  
b727a34dfdf9278998fbd4fec40bv9pefc87f0c1a43550000000017a914a50e5cb  
b727a34dfdf9278998fbd4fec40bv9pefc87f0c1a43550000000017a914a50e5cb  
b727a54dfdf9278998fbd4fec40bv9pefc87f9c1a4355000000017a914a50e5cb  
b727a54dfdf9278998fbd4fec40bv9pefc87f9c1a43550000000017a914a50e5cb  
b727a54dfdf9278998fbd4fec40bv9pefc87f9c1a43550000000017a914a50e5cb  
b727a54dfdf9278998fbd4fec40bv9pefc87f9c1a43550000000017a914a50e5cb  
b727a54dfdf9278998fbd4fec40bv9pefc87f9c1a43550000000017a914a50e5cb  
b727a54ddfdf927
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2. Funded Address A' with 10 BTC:

- Transaction ID:
 f4afa83fd3d3ec309a839c8fc297636a080ee8fd04ca799101888d981ac2f
 b81
- 3. Created and executed Transaction A'→B':
 - Sent 1.0 BTC from Address A' to Address B'
 - Transaction ID:
 f45ce4634f1d923bb7cddc9869d296bc8b5e8e271d5b3e308ca5e768e2e
 215a7
- 4. Created and executed Transaction B'→C':
 - Used the UTXO from the A'→B' transaction
 - Sent 0.5 BTC from Address B' to Address C'
 - Transaction ID:
 7df5cce7e90b9607c6f15f25c6e1dd9fd95bfd839d9a6f3c89d85e03dc21e
 47c

Transaction Script Analysis (P2SH-P2WPKH)

Transaction A'→B' (P2SH-P2WPKH)

Input Script (ScriptSig):

16001456a673ba4e4110e14f90b10aa648f34a58f265d9

Witness Data:

3045022100eee2b37cb35715cd41e0e454b37e51a3350a51562aeade768a032ae98414 7cbe02204b69c8cc5ef2bdd2a831333a33edc8be08a81e9a329c08f75cd3538765fd088 301 03c0259f12efd9347c960592c75ca583f42f034c48196c080291b6a0a44a3968e1

Output Script (ScriptPubKey):

OP_HASH160 e6cf5e9a6b114680e9fcfbc5b42f06b5a2bd5a7c OP_EQUAL

Transaction B'→C' (P2SH-P2WPKH)

Input Script (ScriptSig):

16001469f01650696e8fcd2b5a11183f5d6c7431defb5c

Witness Data:

3045022100c65c9e77702bf9bb7b76fda11c3a5cf58c180b45a1b0e6153fce1d5839957 b86022070db46f4ffaa37e53cf7936e4fe7ff9973f5d3b84bd075bc04cc126313e11b9d01 02fe87318d5f1b7a03ebd99513c004a3c5a9020fd712ec9ef5f63e884dcc952c9f

Output Script (ScriptPubKey):

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Transaction B' → C' (P2SH-P2WPKH) ≡

Transaction ID: 972c195f4ac1d6bfc8f39aaf7ac08bf9f6c63296db2f1d5c8211441c1c4e8231

Input:

TxID: f45ce4634f1d923bb7cddc9869d296bc8b5e8e271d5b3e388ca5e768e2e215a7

Vout: 8

ScriptSig:

8014d29b6907248ddfd66dfcc8af703720ae8e3e2355

Outputs:

Amount: 0.508080808 BTC

ScriptPubKey:

0P_HASH160 fc8fdaf38d4b7481bdd747c6644eb245a434511b2 0P_EQUAL

Amount: 0.49990808 BTC

ScriptPubKey:

0P_HASH160 a60e5cb727a34dfdf9278998fbd4fec40b499efc 0P_EQUAL

Transaction size: 247 bytes

Transaction vsize: 166 vbytes

■ Transaction Size Summary (P2SH-P2WPKH) ≡

SegWit A'→B' size: 247 bytes, vsize: 166 vbytes

SegWit B'→C' size: 247 bytes, vsize: 166 vbytes
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Debugger Terminal Screen Shots:-

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btcdeb 5.0.24 — type btcdeb -h for start up options
106: signing segmit taproot
notice: btcdeb has gotten quieter; use —verbose if necessary (this message is tempor
input tx index = 0; tx input vout = 0; value = 1888888888
got witness stack of size 2
script sig non-empty; embedded PZSH (extracting payload)
hash source = 8814d7966987248ddfd66dfcc8ef783728ee8e3e2355
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here is a for-clarity preamble (use --verbose for details)
ript loaded. type help for usage information
                       PUSH stack 024d2e94aa114a6c0c33f73c1ed29fefe67d72c39e69f8ecf62924e4e63cc5036e
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88e3e2355 | 024d2e94ea114e6c8c33f73c1ed29fefe67d72c39e69f8ecf62924e4e65cc583

| 38448228489817f58f814ec9426c61a113e4568e2288f6be843c8994189e83a |

| |
          901 OP_HASH160
btcdeb> step

> PDP stack

PUSH stack d29b6987248ddfd66dfcc8af783728ae8e3e2355
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 stack
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| 38440220405017f58f814ac9426c61a113a4560e2200f6be843c8994189a83a...
  UB CHECKSTE
                      icTransactionSignatureChecker::CheckECDSASignature(71 len sig, 33 len pubkey, sigversion=1)
= 38448228495017f58f814ac9426c61a113a4569e2280f6ba843c8994189a83a7cc5dd973022848b58098119a99ea31170d9784c83c73814a231e607a2caa84689fd54c830e
            pub key = 024d2e94aa114a6c8c33f73c1ed29fefe67d72c39e69f8ecf62924e4e63cc5036e
script code = 76a914d29b6907248ddfd66dfcc8af703720ae8e3e235588ac
        script code = 76a914d29b6997248d87d6curcom reserved
hash type = 81 (SIGMASM_ALL)
jquatureMask(mln=0, mlashType=01, amount=1808080808)
sigversion = SIGVERSION_WITNESS_V0
sigversion = SIGVERSION_WITNESS_V0
sigversion = 6ee622hd6696e5cb14c56d8199e82fca8c273531cb3c8fbc6866cf9ffaacd179d
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Script Execution Flow

P2SH-P2WPKH (Pay-to-Script-Hash wrapping Pay-to-Witness-Public-Key-Hash) transactions follow a two-step validation:

- 1. First, the P2SH validation:
- 2. [Redeemscript] OP_HASH160 [Redeemscript Hash] OP_EQUAL

This verifies that the provided redeemscript hashes to the expected value.

3. Then, the witness program validation: The redeemscript (0014[20-byte-key-hash]) is interpreted as a witness program. The witness data (signature and public key) is used to validate against the 20-byte-key-hash.

Part 3: Analysis and Comparison

Transaction Size Comparison

Based on the execution of our code, we obtained the following transaction sizes:

Transaction Type	Size (bytes)	Virtual Size (vbytes)
Legacy P2PKH (A→B)	225	225
Legacy P2PKH (B→C)	225	225
P2SH-P2WPKH (A'→B')	247	166
P2SH-P2WPKH (B'→C')	247	166

Structural Differences

1. Script Structure:

- P2PKH: The input script (ScriptSig) contains both the signature and public key. The output script (ScriptPubKey) contains the challenge script.
- P2SH-P2WPKH: The input script only contains the redeemscript. The signature and public key are moved to the witness data, which is segregated from the transaction itself.

2. Transaction Weight:

- P2SH-P2WPKH transactions have smaller virtual sizes (166 vbytes)
 compared to P2PKH transactions (224-225 vbytes), approximately 25-26% smaller.
- The physical size of P2SH-P2WPKH transactions (247-248 bytes) is actually larger than P2PKH transactions (224-225 bytes), but the witness data is discounted in the fee calculation using virtual size.

Benefits of SegWit Transactions

1. Reduced Transaction Size:

- By moving the signature and public key to the witness data, the transaction's virtual size is effectively reduced by about 25%, leading to lower fees.
- Our analysis shows that P2SH-P2WPKH transactions are approximately 166 vbytes compared to 224-225 vbytes for P2PKH.

2. Transaction Malleability Fix:

- SegWit addresses the transaction malleability issue by segregating the witness data from the transaction hash calculation. This makes the transaction ID immune to signature manipulations.
- Since the witness data (containing signatures) is not part of the txid calculation, third parties cannot modify these signatures to create a transaction with the same inputs and outputs but a different txid.

3. Increased Block Capacity:

- The witness discount allows more transactions to fit in a block without increasing the block size limit.
- With the discount factor of 0.25 for witness data, a 1MB block can effectively contain transactions equivalent to what would be about 4MB of legacy transactions.

4. Script Versioning:

- SegWit introduces a version field, enabling future script upgrades without requiring hard forks.
- This has already enabled further improvements like Taproot (P2TR), which became active in 2021.

5. Linear Scaling of Signature Operations:

- SegWit changes how signature operations are counted, preventing potential DoS attacks.
- In legacy transactions, signature operations were counted by transaction size, which could be abused. In SegWit, the weight-based counting ensures linear scaling with actual resource usage.

Conclusion

This assignment provided a practical demonstration of Bitcoin's transaction mechanics and the improvements brought by SegWit. We observed firsthand how SegWit transactions are more efficient in terms of virtual size (166 vbytes vs. 224-225 vbytes) and witnessed the structural changes that enable these efficiencies.

The P2SH-P2WPKH structure adds complexity by requiring a two-phase validation, but this complexity brings significant benefits in terms of fee savings, transaction malleability protection, and blockchain scalability. The implementation of SegWit represents a significant advancement in Bitcoin's architecture, addressing key issues such as transaction malleability while providing a path for future protocol upgrades.