Assignment No: 1

Title of the Assignment: Installation of MetaMask and study spending Ether per transaction

Objective of the Assignment: Students should be able to learn new technology such as MetaMask. Its application and implementations

Prerequisite:

1. Basic knowledge of crypto currency
2. Basic knowledge of distributed computing concept
3. Working of blockchain

Contents for Theory:

1. **Introduction Blockchain**
2. **Cryptocurrency**
3. **Transaction Wallets**
4. **Ether transaction**
5. **Installation Process of Metamask**

Introduction to Blockchain

- Blockchain can be described as a data structure that holds transactional records and while ensuring security, transparency, and decentralization. You can also think of it as a chain or records stored in the forms of blocks which are controlled by no single authority.
- A blockchain is a distributed ledger that is completely open to any and everyone on the network. Once an information is stored on a blockchain, it is extremely difficult to change or alter it.
- Each transaction on a blockchain is secured with a digital signature that proves its authenticity. Due to the use of encryption and digital signatures, the data stored on the

blockchain is tamper-proof and cannot be changed.

- Blockchain technology allows all the network participants to reach an agreement, commonly known as consensus. All the data stored on a blockchain is recorded digitally and has a common history which is available for all the network participants. This way, the chances of any fraudulent activity or duplication of transactions is eliminated without the need of a third-party.

Blockchain Features

The following features make the revolutionary technology of blockchain stand out:

- **Decentralized**

  Blockchains are decentralized in nature meaning that no single person or group holds the authority of the overall network. While everybody in the network has the copy of the distributed ledger with them, no one can modify it on his or her own. This unique feature of blockchain allows transparency and security while giving power to the users.

- **Peer-to-Peer Network**

  With the use of Blockchain, the interaction between two parties through a peer-to-peer model is easily accomplished without the requirement of any third party. Blockchain uses P2P protocol which allows all the network participants to hold an identical copy of transactions, enabling approval through a machine consensus. For example, if you wish to make any transaction from one part of the world to another, you can do that with blockchain all by yourself within a few seconds. Moreover, any interruptions or extra charges will not be deducted in the transfer.

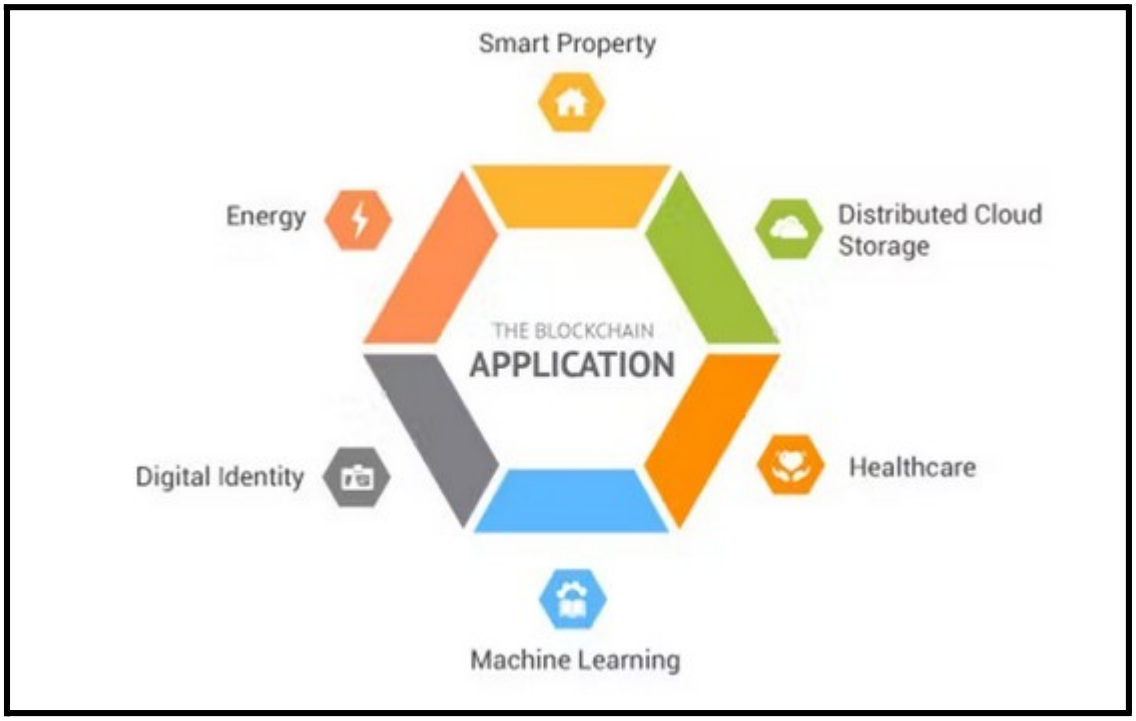
- **Immutable**

  The immutability property of a blockchain refers to the fact that any data once written on the blockchain cannot be changed. To understand immutability, consider sending email as an example. Once you send an email to a bunch of people, you cannot take it back. In order to find a way around, you'll have to ask all the recipients to delete your email which is pretty tedious. This is how immutability works.

- **Tamper-Proof**

  With the property of immutability embedded in blockchains, it becomes easier to detect tampering of any data. Blockchains are considered tamper-proof as any change in even one single block can be detected and addressed smoothly. There are two key ways of detecting tampering namely, hashes and blocks.

Popular Applications of Blockchain Technology



Benefits of Blockchain Technology:

- **Time-saving:** No central Authority verification needed for settlements making the process faster and cheaper.
- **Cost-saving:** A Blockchain network reduces expenses in several ways. No need for third-party verification. Participants can share assets directly. Intermediaries are reduced. Transaction efforts are minimized as every participant has a copy of shared ledger.
- **Tighter security:** No one can temper with Blockchain Data as it is shared among

millions of participants. The system is safe against cybercrimes and Fraud.

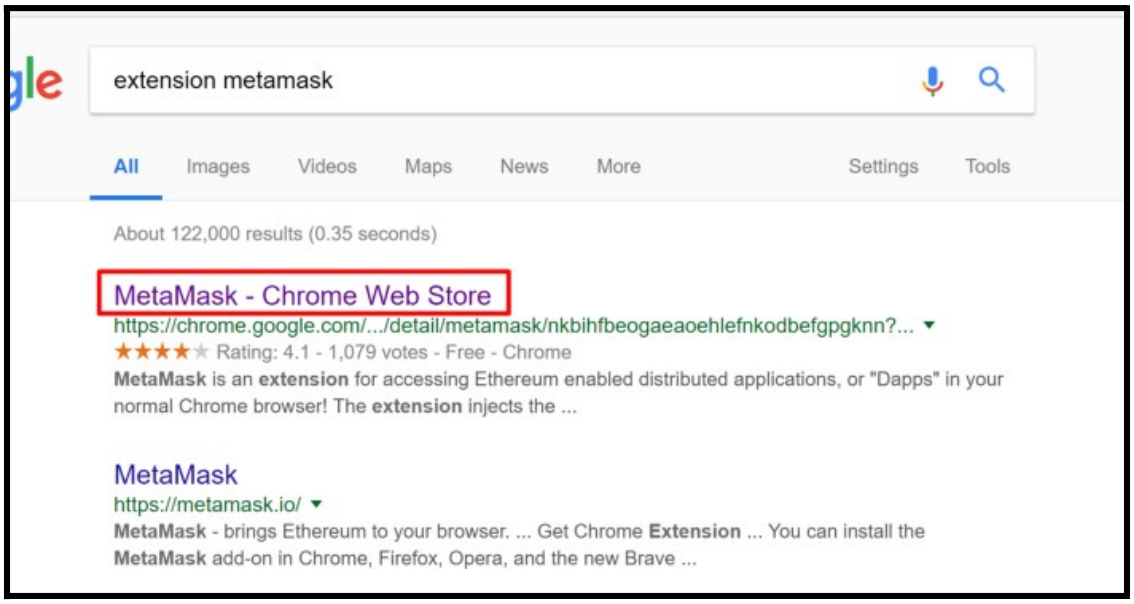
- In finance market trading, Fibonacci retracement levels are widely used in technical analysis.

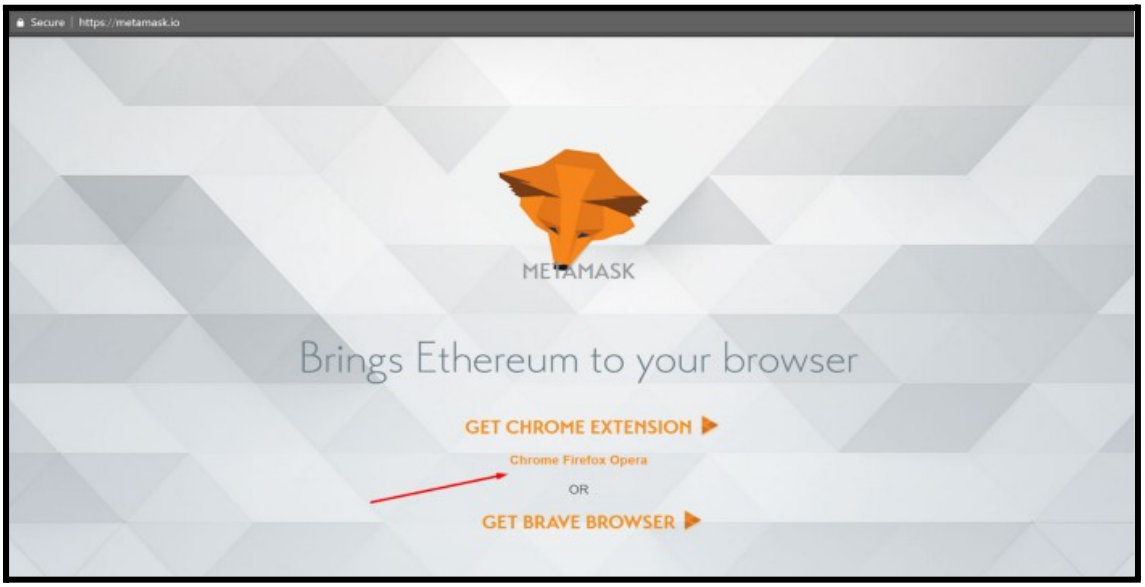
How to use MetaMask: A step by step guide

MetaMask is one of the most popular browser extensions that serves as a way of storing your Ethereum and other ERC-20 Tokens. The extension is free and secure, allowing web applications to read and interact with Ethereum's blockchain.

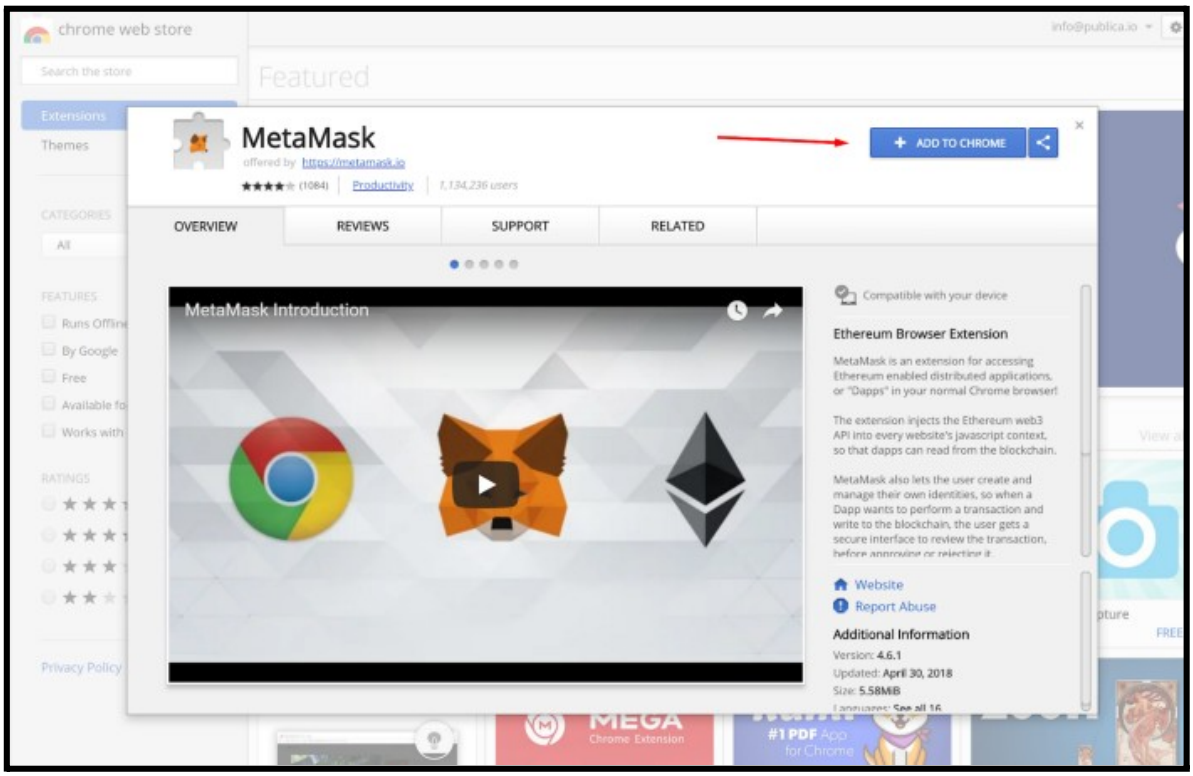
Step 1. Install MetaMask on your browser.

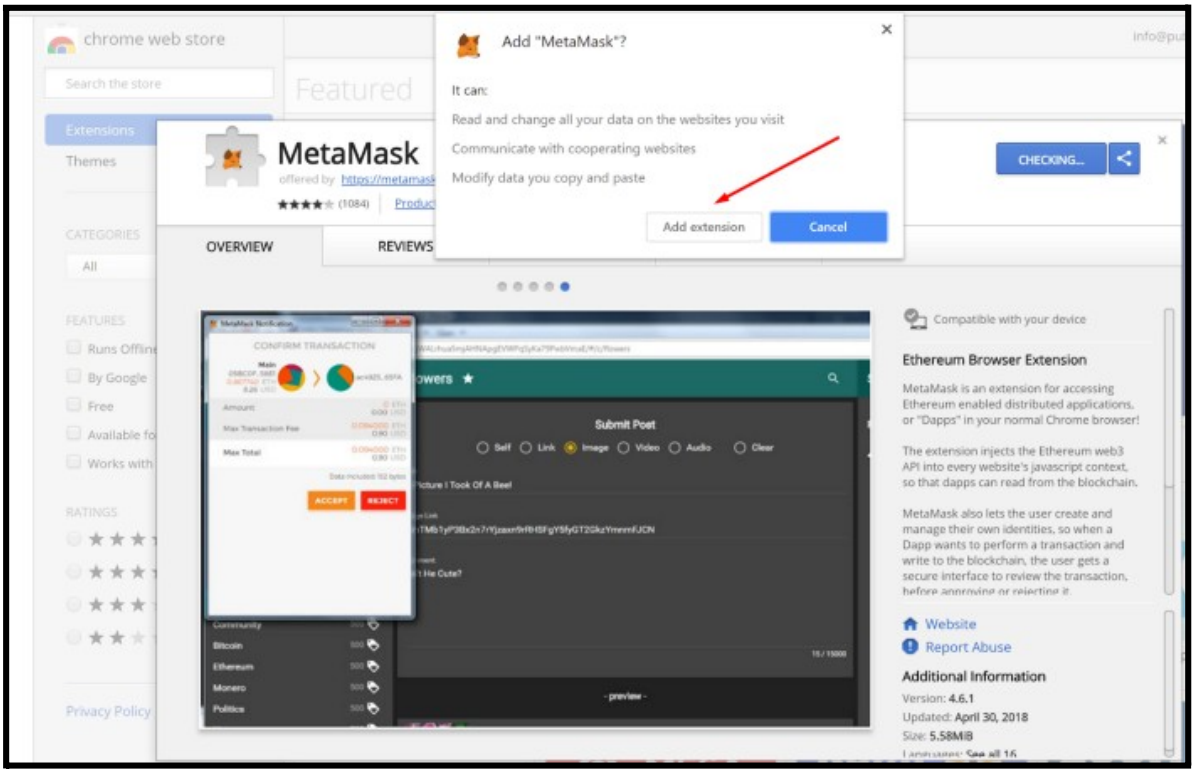
To create a new wallet, you have to install the extension first. Depending on your browser, there are different marketplaces to find it. Most browsers have MetaMask on their stores, so it's not that hard to see it, but either way, here they are Chrome, Firefox, and Opera.





- Click on **Install MetaMask** as a Google Chrome extension.
- Click **Add to Chrome**.
- Click **Add Extension**.

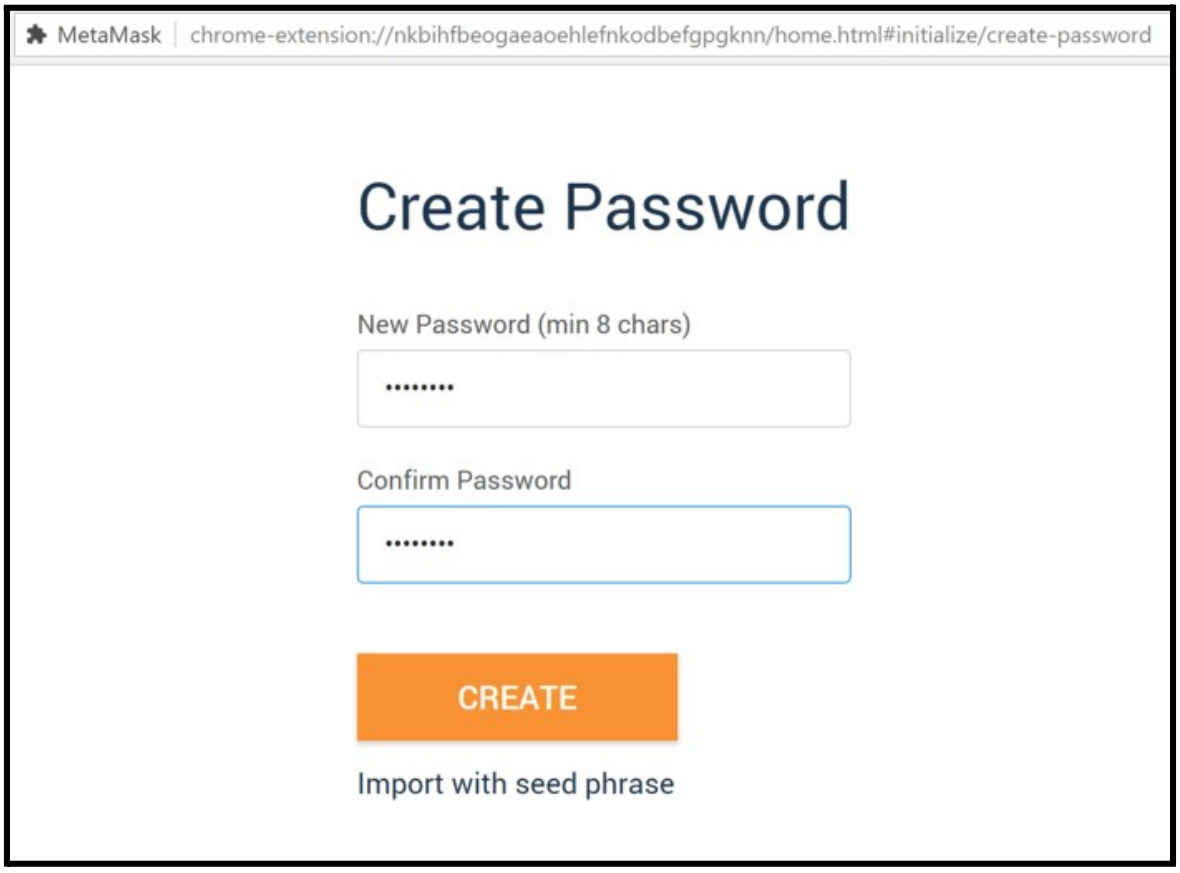




nd it's as easy as that to install the extension on your browser, continue reading the next step to figure out how to create an account.

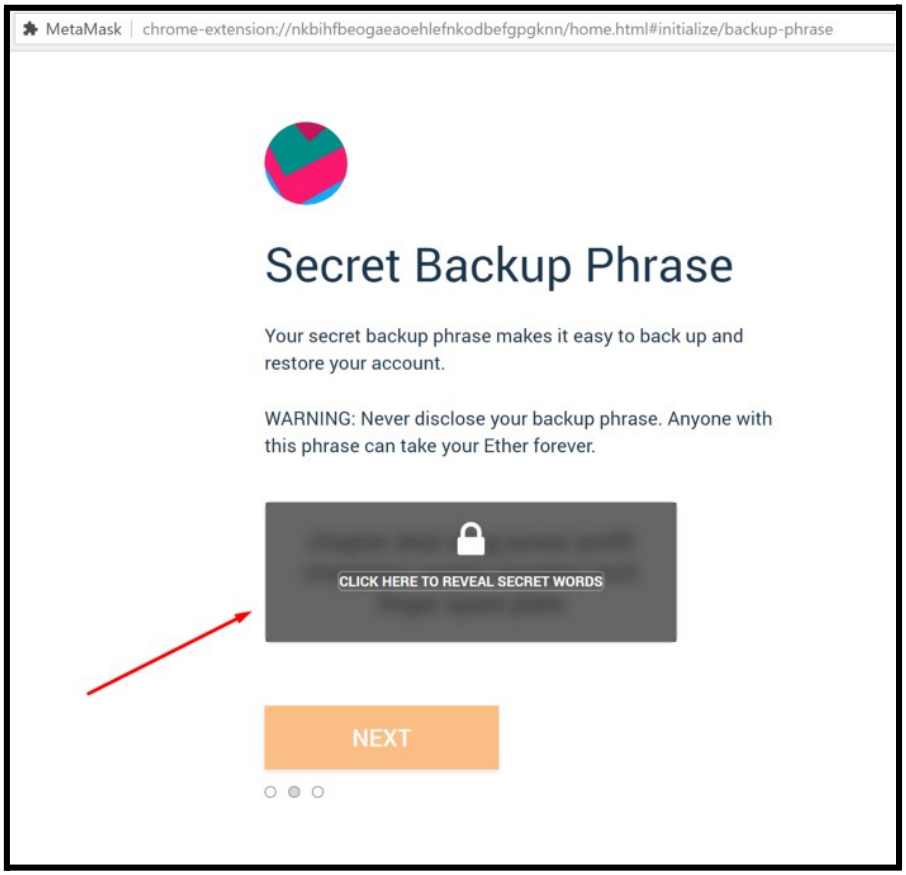
Step 2. Create an account.

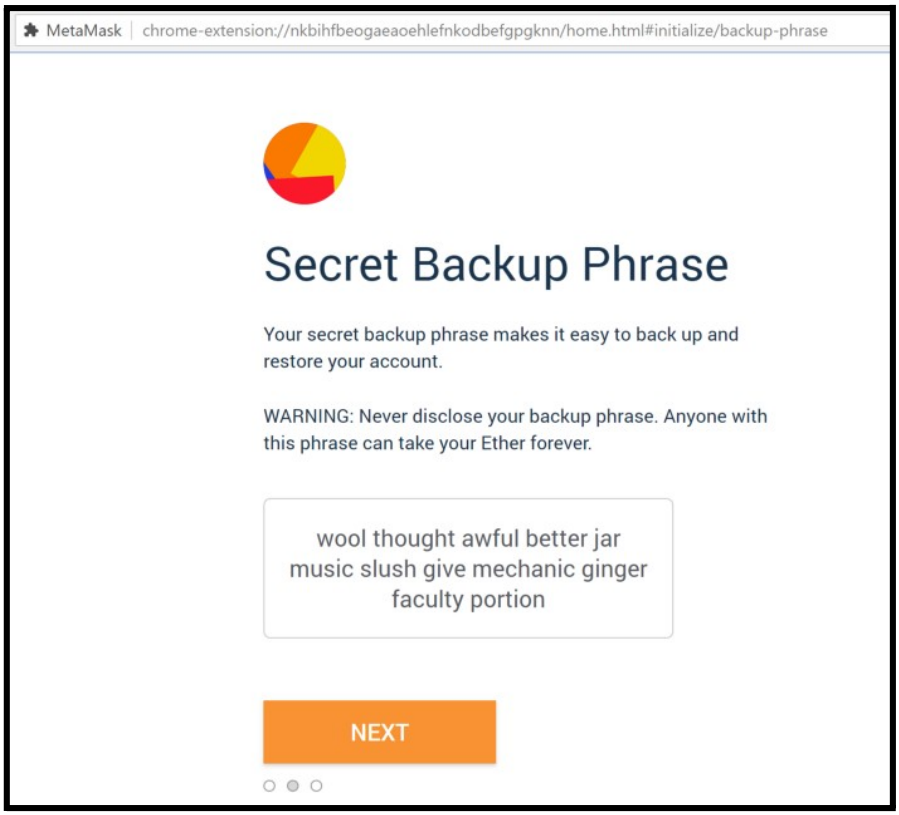
- Click on the extension icon in the upper right corner to open MetaMask.
- To install the latest version and be up to date, **click Try it now**.
- **Click Continue**.
- You will be prompted to create a new password. **Click Create**.



- Proceed by **clicking Next** and accept the Terms of Use.

Click Reveal Secret Words. There you will see a 12 words seed phrase. This is really important and usually not a good idea to store digitally, so take your time and write it down





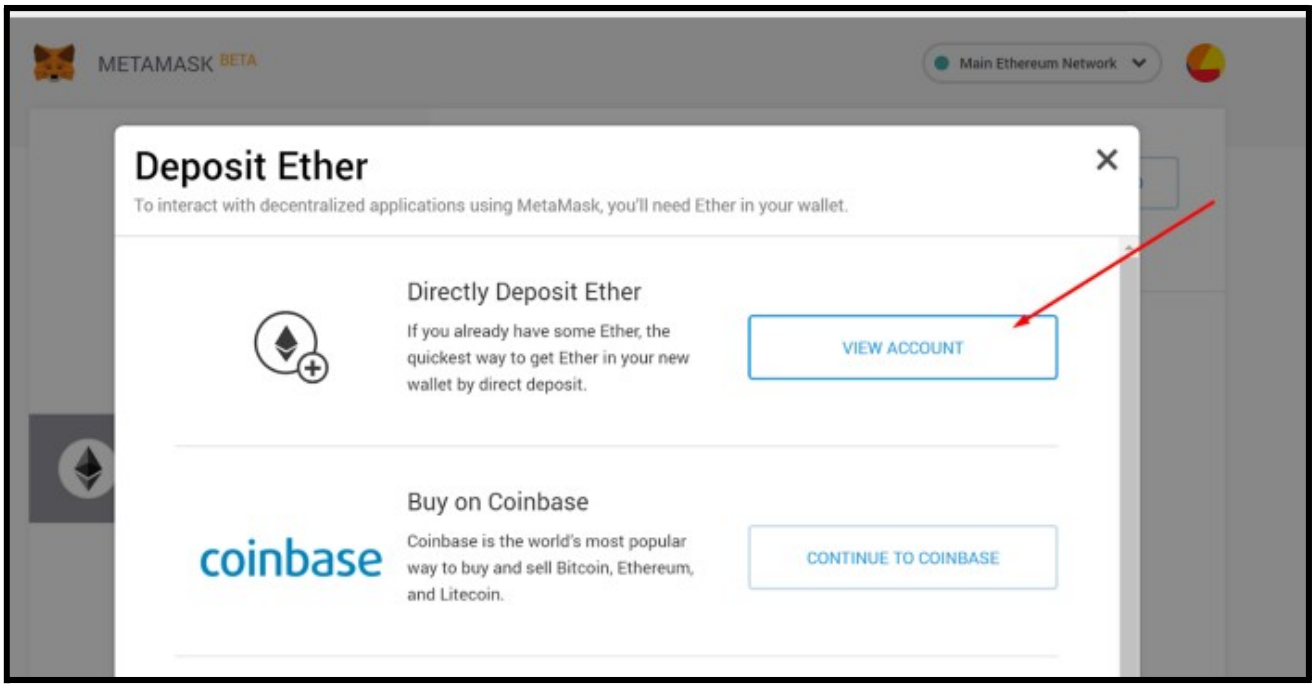
- Verify your secret phrase by selecting the previously generated phrase in order. **Click Confirm**.

And that's it; now you have created your MetaMask account successfully. A new Ethereum wallet

address has just been created for you. It's waiting for you to deposit funds, and if you want to learn how to do that, look at the next step below.

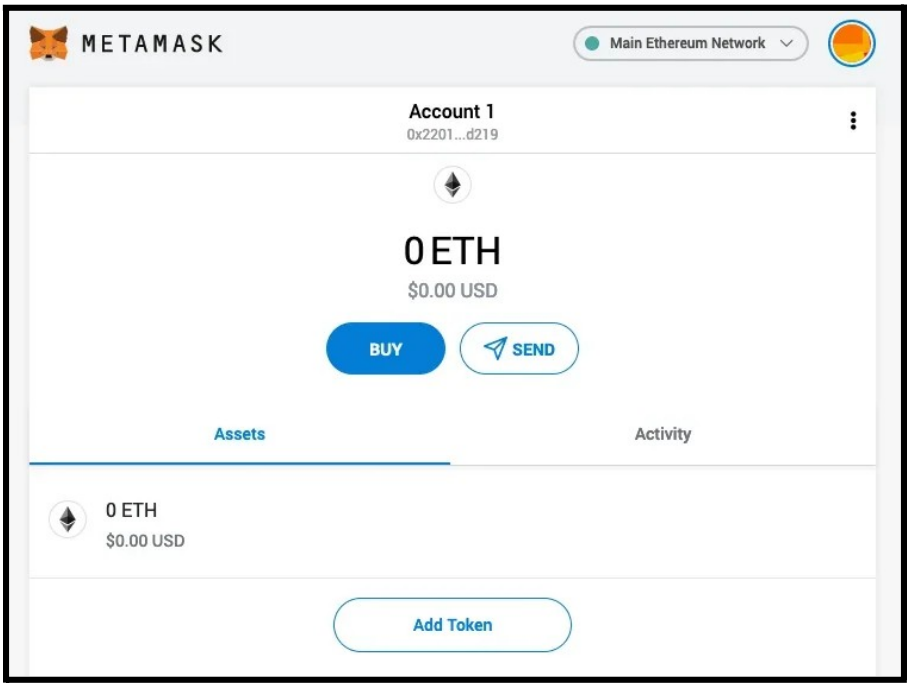
Step 3. Depositing funds.

- Click on **View Account**.



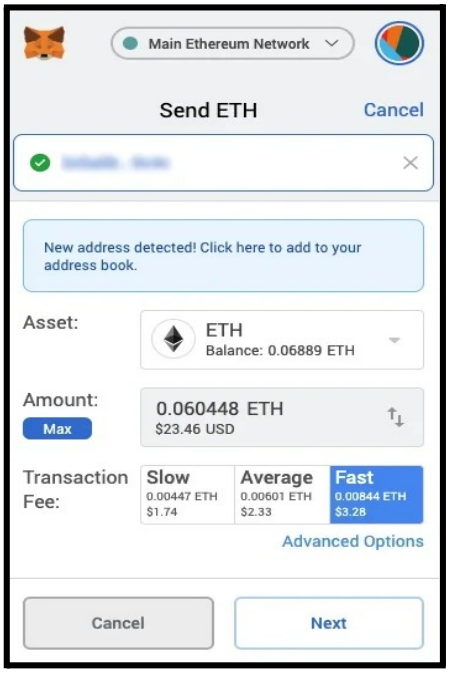
You can now see your public address and share it with other people. There are some methods to buy coins offered by MetaMask, but you can do it differently as well; you just need your address.

If you ever get logged out, you'll be able to log back in again by clicking the MetaMask icon, which will have been added to your web browser (usually found next to the URL bar).



You can now access your list of assets in the 'Assets' tab and view your transaction history in the 'Activity' tab.

- Sending crypto is as simple as clicking the 'Send' button, entering the recipient address and amount to send, and selecting a transaction fee. You can also manually adjust the transaction fee using the 'Advanced Options' button, using information from ETH Gas Station or similar platforms to choose a more acceptable gas price.
- After clicking 'Next', you will then be able to either confirm or reject the transaction on the subsequent page.



- To use MetaMask to interact with a dapp or smart contract, you'll usually need to find a 'Connect to Wallet' button or similar element on the platform you are trying to use. After clicking this, you should then see a prompt asking whether you want to let the dapp connect to your wallet.

What advantages does MetaMask have?

- **Popular** - It is commonly used, so users only need one plugin to access a wide range of dapps.
- **Simple** - Instead of managing private keys, users just need to remember a list of words, and transactions are signed on their behalf.
- **Saves space** - Users don't have to download the Ethereum blockchain, as MetaMask sends requests to nodes outside of the user's computer.
- **Integrated** - Dapps are designed to work with MetaMask, so it becomes much easier to send Ether in and out.

Conclusion : In this way we have explored Concept Blockchain and MetaMask wallet for transaction of digital currency

Assignment Question

1. **What Are the Different Types of Blockchain Technology?**
2. **What Are the Key Features/Properties of Blockchain?**
3. **What Type of Records You Can Keep in A Blockchain?**
4. **What is the difference between Ethereum and Bitcoin?**
5. **What are Merkle Trees? Explain their concept.**
6. **What is Double Spending in transaction operation**
7. **Give real-life use cases of blockchain.**