Monero 101

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Who am I?

Privacy and security enthusiast

Cookies of '00

Portland State University

- B.S Computer Science
- Associates in International Studies, Japanese
- Member of ACM, CTF/War Games club

Automation Engineer at Intel

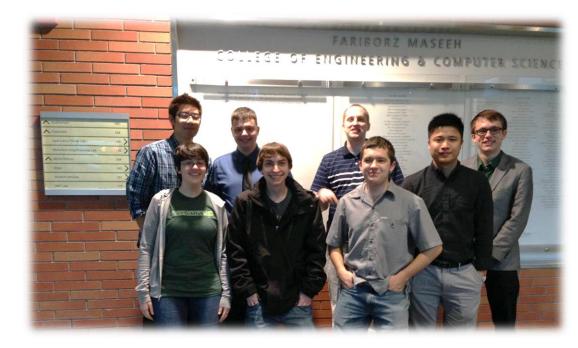


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https://github.com/sanecito/monero-presentations



How I came to Monero

Hides the following fingerprints:

- Sender wallet address
- Receiver wallet address
- Transaction amount
- IP Address*

Genesis and operations has no points for potential collusion

Ideally:

- Has no pre-mine
- Has no instamine
- Isn't primarily governed by a company (see: potential collusion)
- Has a relatively active and sizable community to grow project and quickly respond to exploits

Presentation Outline

Why does privacy matter?

What is Monero?

Where did Monero come from?

How does Monero compare?

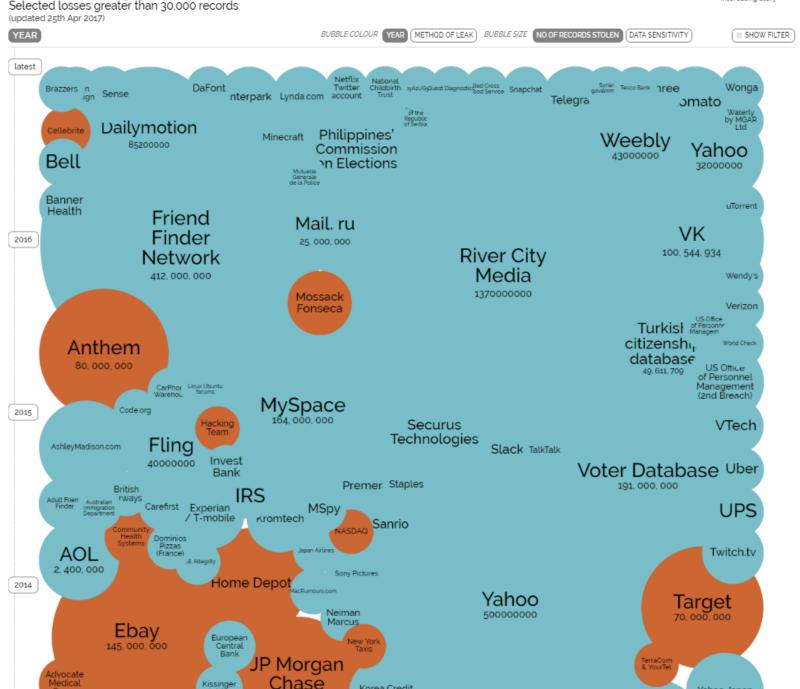
Where can I buy Monero and use it?

Why would people want your data?



World's Biggest Data Breaches Selected losses greater than 30,000 records

interesting story



Office of Personnel Management

"The intruders... gained access to... employees' Social Security numbers, job assignments, performance ratings and training information"

"attackers have targeted the forms submitted by intelligence and military personnel for security clearances. The document includes personal information – everything form eye colour to financial history, to past substance abuse, as well as contact details for the individual's friends and relatives"

"How to lose \$8k worth of bitcoin in 15 minutes with Verizon and Coinbase.com"

AKA Smashing SMS-2FA for Fun and Profit

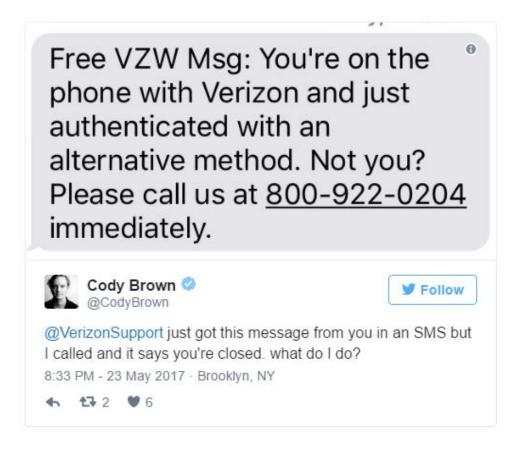
Step 1: Find a target via SNS



Step 2: Have info stolen/obtained

"After talking at length with [Verizon] customer service reps, I learned that the hacker did not need to give them my pin number or my social security number and was able to get approval to takeover my cell phone number with *simple billing information*."

Step 3: Use info to take control of phone



Step 4: Profit

Google Google	Suspicious activity in your account - Suspicious activity in your account Hi Cody, We've detected
☑ ☆ □ Coinbase	You just sent 16.03894582 ETH to 0x752eaba83bb6a4fce5a7043db9ef5890b88ed6fa - Coinba
Coinbase	You just sent 70.96992853 LTC to LUWwu4o7EXPYaJRya7EzE5MByHpaBZekf7 - Coinbase Y
Coinbase	You just sent 1.18519844 BTC to 19d9VhEgRhsHtV2XJvY7skKePbZGmpFLY1 - Coinbase You
Coinbase	New Device Confirmation - Coinbase New device access A device or location we haven't seen
Coinbase	Resetting Your Password - Coinbase We have received your request for password reset from a
☐ ☆ ☐ Google	Security alert for your linked Google account - Your password changed You received this mess

The hacker deleted these emails but google recovered them

Why does financial privacy matter?

People know your income, wealth accumulation

Targeting and/or advertisements based on transactions

Interaction with unknown person of interest

People know your vendors and partners







What makes up a Bitcoin transaction?



Bitcoin De-anonymization

Coinbase sent Troia back an email explaining that those actions were against the exchange's rules and shut down his account. Troia then tried setting up an account with [his family's info]. Shut down.

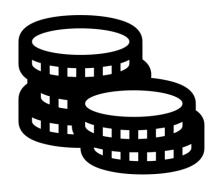
The FBI is requesting \$21m and 80 new employees in a bid to investigate emerging tech that could help the agency combat cybercrime. [...] This notably includes cases that involve "drug traffickers using virtual currencies to obscure their transactions".

Monero Protocol Protection



Sender (Alice)

Ring Signatures



Amount

RingCT



Network

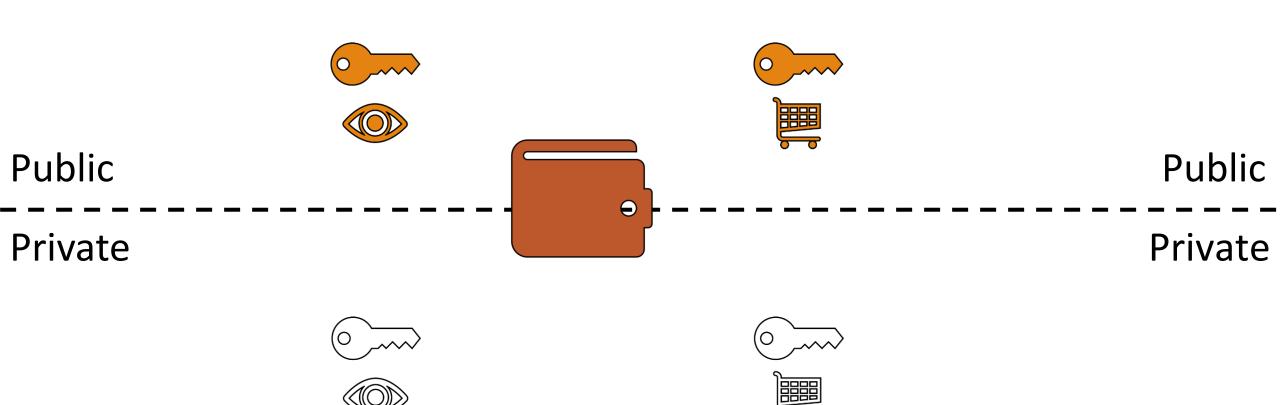
Kovri



Receiver (Bob)

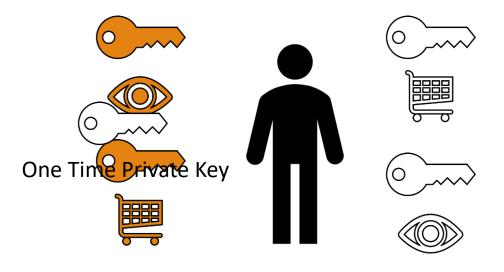
Stealth Addresses

Monero Wallet

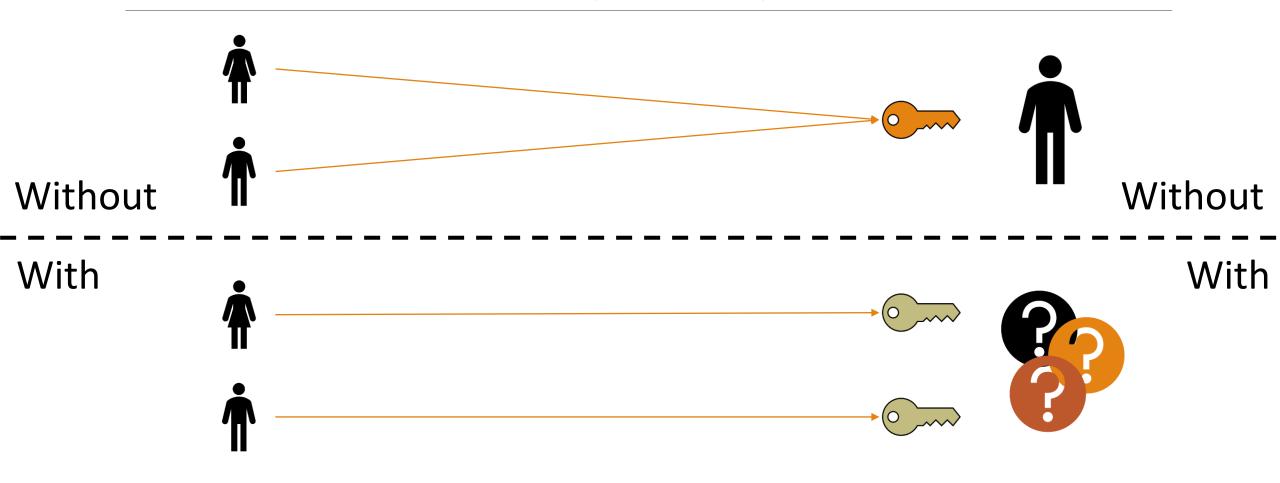


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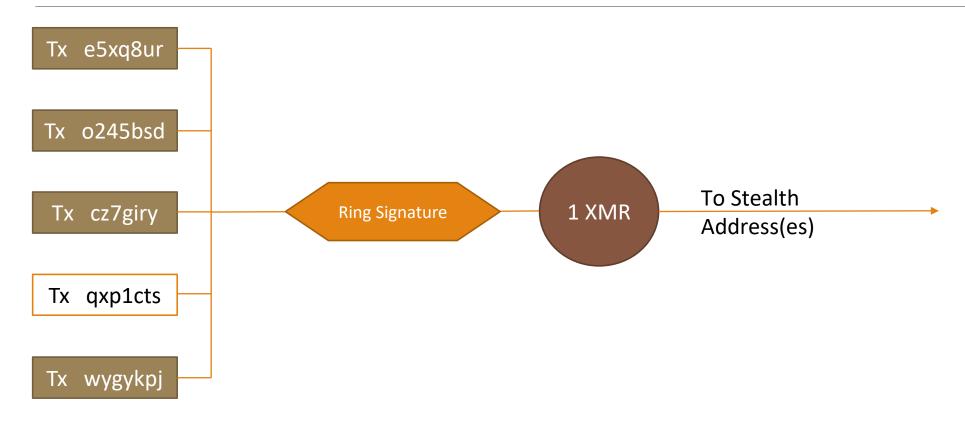


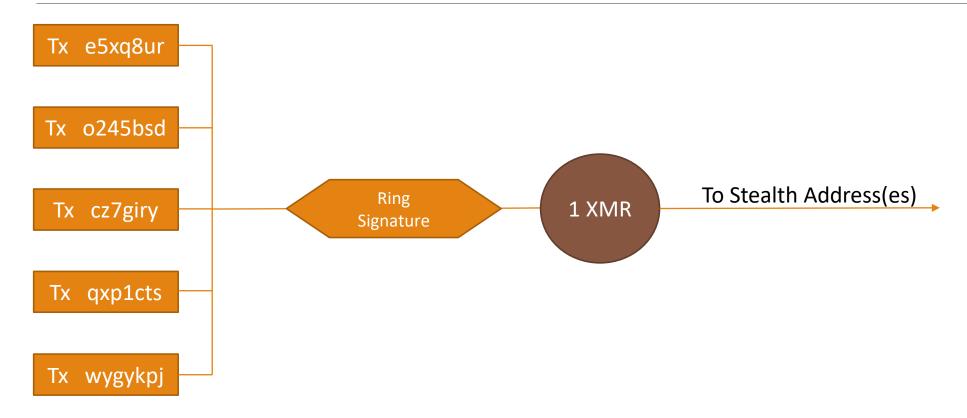
Stealth Addresses (cont'd)



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Tx n462zd2	Tx e5xq8ur	Tx zsygqcw	Tx o4ima0a	Tx o245bsd	Tx 5zagub9
Tx n0t7u1n	Tx gsbk92n	Tx uzf1f1g	Tx sp99du5	Tx mqmifoi	Tx p9ilya0
Tx kkbqr4h	Tx wygykpj	Tx qxp1cts	Tx jb6hbf0	Tx vhqqgq5	Tx 6ny7fat
Tx 35ui9ju	Tx 08eknoc	Tx 24ytr7n	Tx t9x6wz4	Tx 2j903x1	Tx cz7giry

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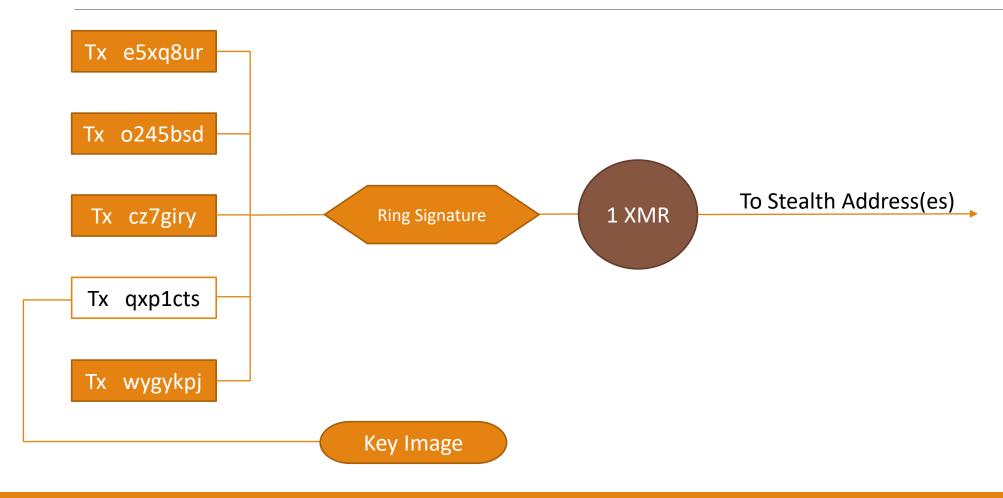


Ring Signatures & RingCT

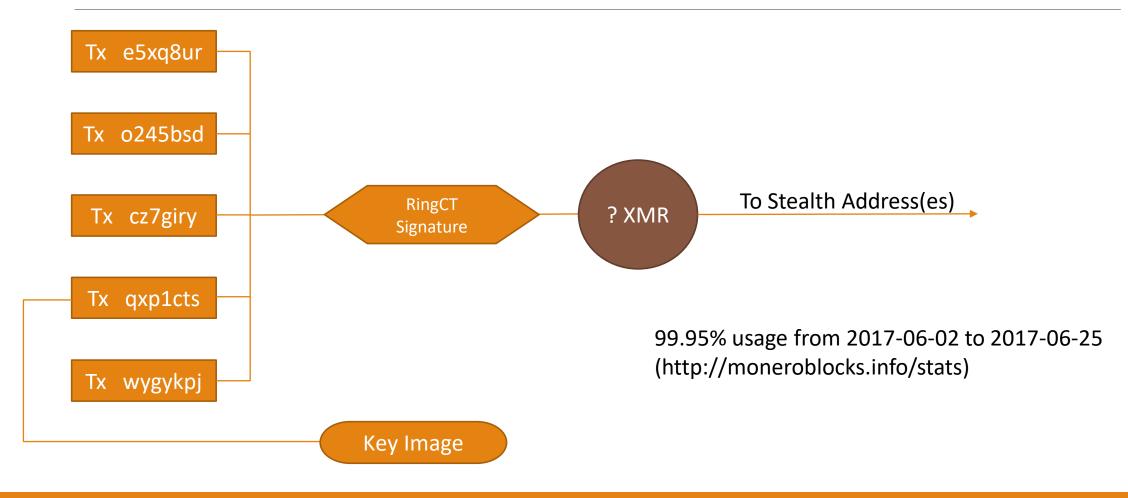
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Newer

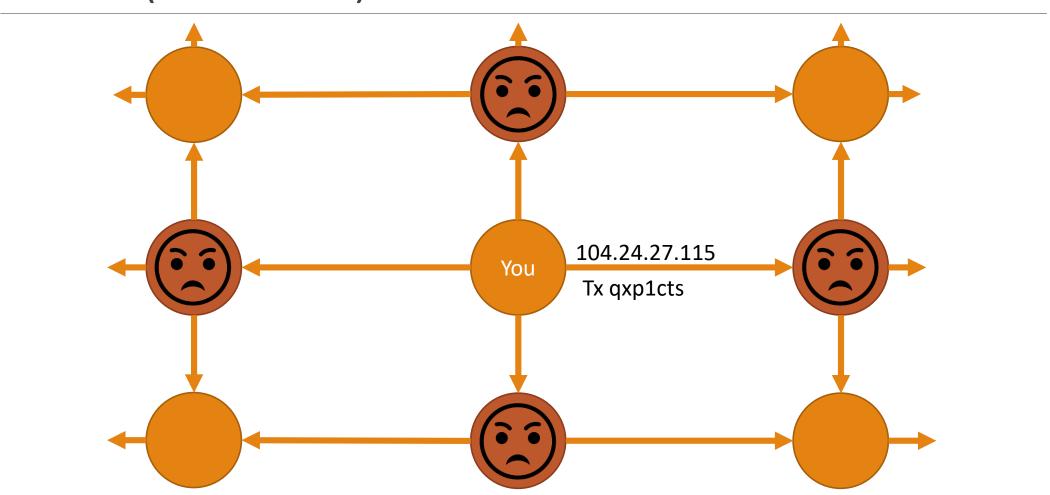
Older



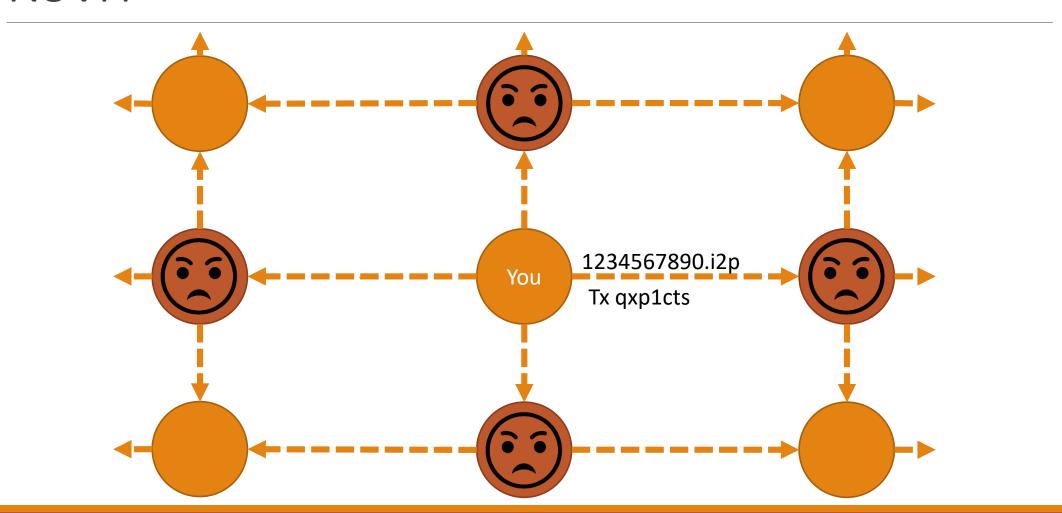
Ring Confidential Transactions (RingCT)



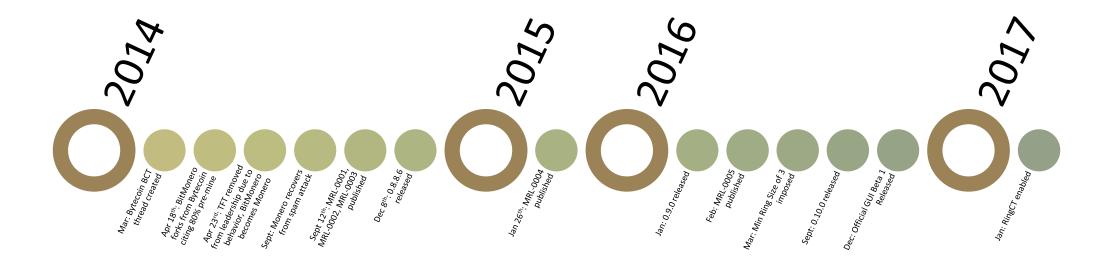
Kovri (without)



Kovri

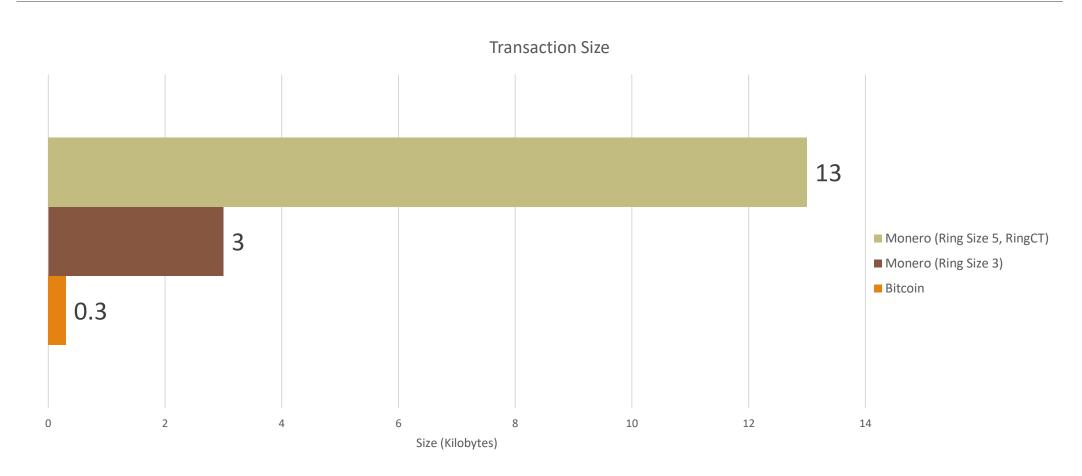


A Brief History of Monero



	Xcoin - D arkcoin- Dash	Monero	Zcash
Hides Sender?	PrivateSend*	Yes	Z-addr Tx*
Hides Receiver?	PrivateSend*	Yes	Z-addr Tx*
Hides Transaction \$?	PrivateSend*	Yes	Z-addr Tx*
Hides IP?*	No	No	No
% of Tx that are 'Private'?	Unknown	100% Ring, ~100% RingCT	25%*
Trustless?	No	Yes	No
Primary Governance?	US Company / Masternodes	FLOSS	US Company
Pre-mine or Insta-mine?	Insta-mine	No	No*
Block Reward Fee	45% to Masternodes 10% to Treasury	No	20% for 4 years, "Founders' Reward"
Block Time	2.5 minutes	2 minutes	2.5 minutes
CoinCap	8 4 - 18.9 million	18.4 mil + .3/min emission	21 million

Scalability



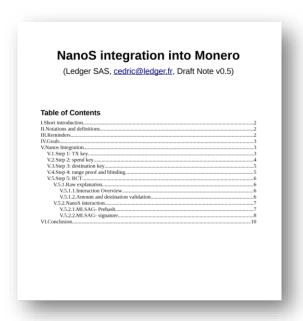
Probability

Ring Size 5 != 20 / 20 / 20 / 20 / 20 Probability

Roadmap

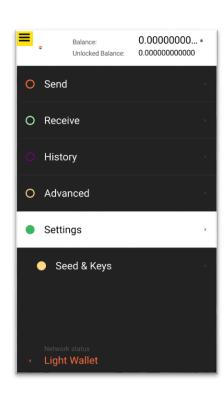






September 2017 Hardfork

- RingCT enforced
- Increased min Ring Size



fluffyblocks

Rates Compared (*Circa Sept 2016 for \$100)

Poloniex: 0.25% (GDAX) + 0.25% (Poloniex) + .2 XMR = ~2.5% fees*

Shapeshift: GDAX + Shapeshift Exchange Rate = ~7% fees*

Kraken: \$10 (Wire Transfer) + \$? (Bank's Wire Transfer Fee) + 0.26%

Bisq (Formerly Bitsquare): Depends on seller (Fiat/BTC) + chosen exchange rate (BTC/XMR)



CREATE A NEW ORDER

Enter the bitcoin address and amount that you want to send.

Enter Bitcoin destination address		
Enter amount in bitcoin	ВТС	Create

TRACK AN ORDER

Already created an order? Enter your secret key to see its status.

Enter your order's secret key

Track

TRACK YOUR ORDER STATUS

Your secret key

xmrto-AWbAJq

Important: save the secret key to track the status of your order.

Order summary

Send 1 BTC to 1C4rmeeVJsGJoSraNnaaZxyX4rUATxQWXm. This order amounts to 54.41 XMR.

Your personal rate is 0.01837897 BTC/XMR.

Current status

Please pay your order in the next:

14 MINUTES, AND 43 SECONDS

How to pay?

General payment information

Payment ID to include (you must not forget this!)

7dd68c96e63adaa3cad4e0e78a9d56e909de95d8b7deaa986e0e27a246e283fc

Address to send XMR to

 $44 \\ \texttt{TVPcCSHebEQp4LnapPkhb2pondb2Ed7GJJLc6TkKwtSyumUnQ6QzkCCkojZycH2MRfLcujCM7QR1gdnRULRraV4UpB5n4}$

XMR amount to send

54.41

Warning: sending XMR directly from an exchange such as Poloniex might take too long! We recommend using simplewallet or mymonero.com.



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