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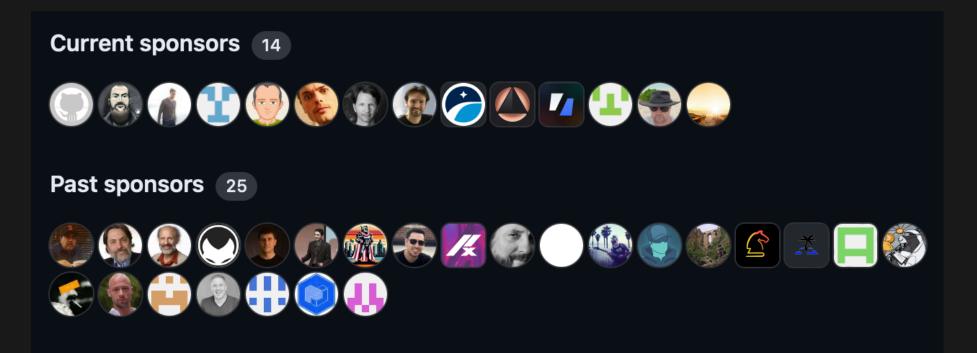


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## **Last Meeting**

- 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 O" 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!



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## Seed as Gordian Envelope

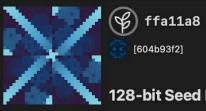
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## Minimal Bytewords convert to dCBOR:



## Seedtool iOS & macOS Features

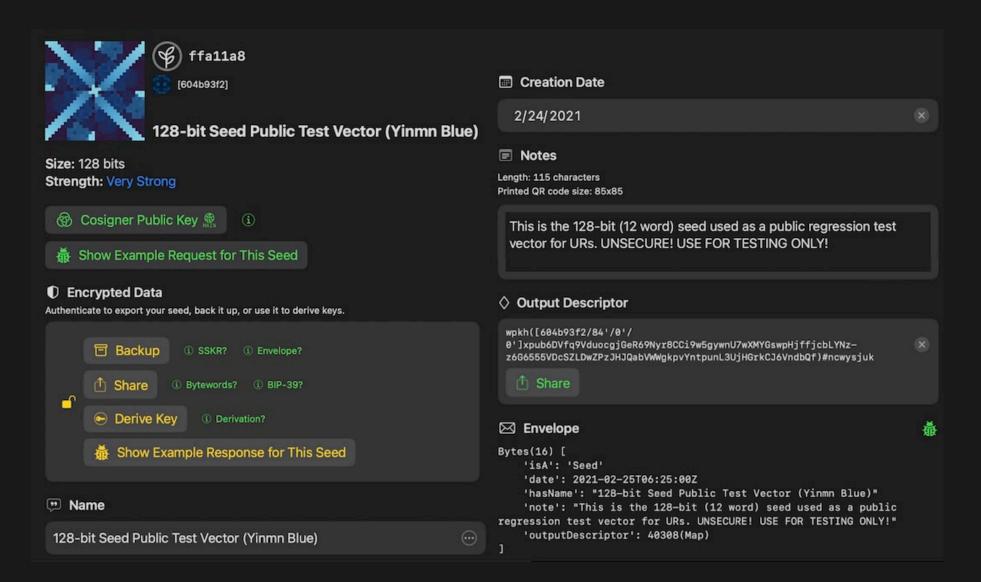
- Create Seeds
- Identify Seeds
  - Name, LifeHash, Object Identity Block
- Backup Seeds
  - BIP-39, ByteWords, Hex
  - Envelope
    - Metadata, Name, Date, Note, Output Descriptors
  - QRs
- Shard Seeds
  - SSKR, SSKR-Envelope (CSR/Gordian Depository)
- Derive Keys
  - Bitcoin, Ethereum, Tezos
- Sign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



128-bit Seed Public Test Vector (Yinmn Blue)



## Yinmn Blue in SeedTool for iOS/macOS



Yinmn Blue for offline PDF



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128-bit Seed Public Test Vector (Yinmn Blue)

HEX Hex 59f2293a5bce7d4de59e71b4287ac5d2

#### ByteWords

hawk whiz diet fact help taco kiwi gift view noon jugs quiz crux kiln silk tied omit keno lung jade

#### Envelope

#### ur:envelope/

fi soa o, g fi2 mi ta t no to di c

### Creation Date

Peo 24, 2021

#### 39 BIP39 Words

fly mule excess resource treat plunge nose soda reflect adult ramp planet

Intpcsgdhkwzdtfthptokigtvwnnjsqzcxknsktdoyadcsspoycfadzttpcstantjyoeadis ktjojeisdefzdydtaolytantjloxaxhdclaxvlcprfttldjobkredtlnhsidwybaeyjtswya ndlgjnehtkdsidbkqzsrkphyfhsaaahdcxhnfgnepefxgdytryckticelyotsstoknfntave vaskiddmolsarntykbrybtjpksamtantjooeadlncsghykaeykaeykaeykaocyhngrmuwzaycyzs sajpsnoybdtpcsksdweheyetdpidinjycxguihihiecxgdkpidjziniacxghihjkjycxhfih iajyjljpcxdehkinjtjnjtcxfwjzkpihdtoybetpcssecyhnemfwrfoyaatpcsksjkghisin jkcxinjkcxjoihcxeheyetdpidinjycxdeeheycxktjljpiedtcxjkihihiecxkpjkihie cxhsjkcxhscxjokpidjziniacxjpihiojpihjkjkinjljtcxjyihjkjycxkoihiajyjljpcx iyjljpcxgogmjkdmcxgoglgufefxgogmfeclcxgogufecxfggwgmcxghfegughgaglflcxgw glgshkcluogegygr

#### Output Descriptor



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#### Notes

This is the 128-bit (12 word) seed used as a public regression test vector for URs. UNSECURE! USE FOR TESTING ONLY!



## **Seedtool-CLI Features**

- Create Seeds
- Backup Seeds
  - BIP-39, ByteWords, Hex
  - Envelope
    - 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**

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$ seedtool
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89290acafd0aafb21bd53904de47ed80

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$ seedtool -i hex 89290acafd0aafb21bd53904de47ed80 -o bip39
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matrix embark razor wheel priority suit hungry poet age vendor window abandon

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$ seedtool -i hex 89290acafd0aafb21bd53904de47ed80 -o sskr -g 2-of-3
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ur:envelope/lftansfwlrhdcetbsorflpmelgyaguurjzbdiyguetbzcyyacmldcwjennhnaysklgm ur:envelope/lftansfwlrhdcetbsorflpmelgyaguurjzbdiyguetbzcyyacmldcwjennhnaysklgm ur:envelope/lftansfwlrhdcetbsorflpmelgyaguurjzbdiyguetbzcyyacmldcwjennhnaysklgm \$ seedtool -i hex 89290acafd0aafb21bd53904de47ed80 -o envelope | envelope forma Bytes(16) [

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'isA': 'Seed'
```

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# 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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