

HWallet

The simple cryptocurrency hardware wallet



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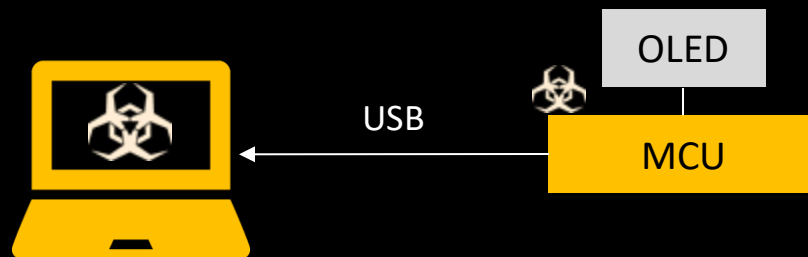
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- immune to computer viruses that steal from software wallets
- ~~can be used securely and interactively, private keys never need to touch potentially vulnerable software~~
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<https://blog.trezor.io/details-about-the-security-updates-in-trezor-one-firmware-1-6-2-a3b25b668e98>

...the buffer overflows, allowing the attacker to write up to 60 bytes of data into a protected part of the memory. Depending on the memory layout the flaw can be escalated to arbitrary code execution...



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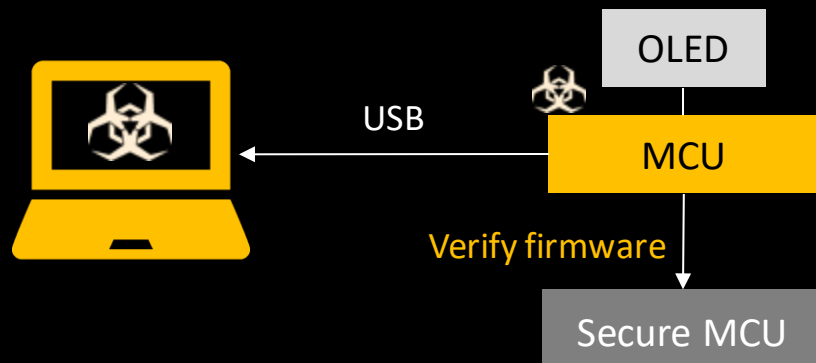
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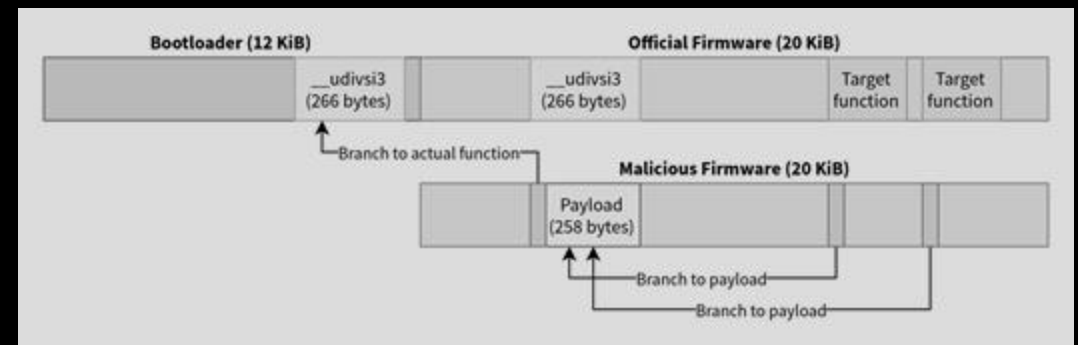
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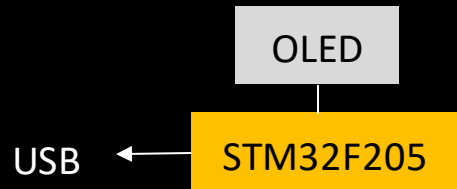
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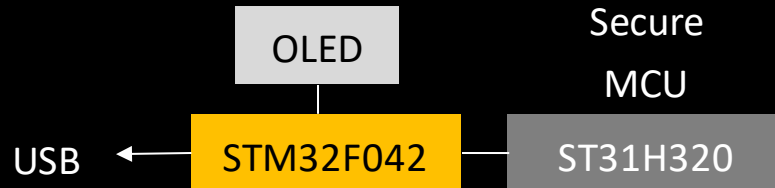
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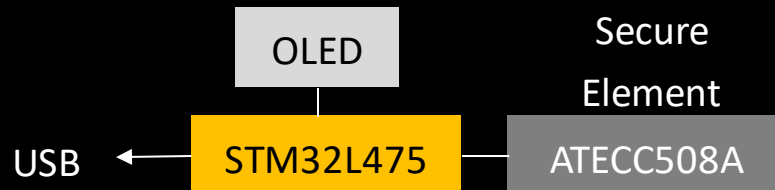
 **TREZOR**
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 Ledger



 COLD
CARD



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Hardware Acceleration

TRNG	SHA256	secp256k1	Open Source
X	X	X	✓
✓	?	✓	X
X	✓	X	✓
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TRNG

SHA256

secp256k1

Open
Source

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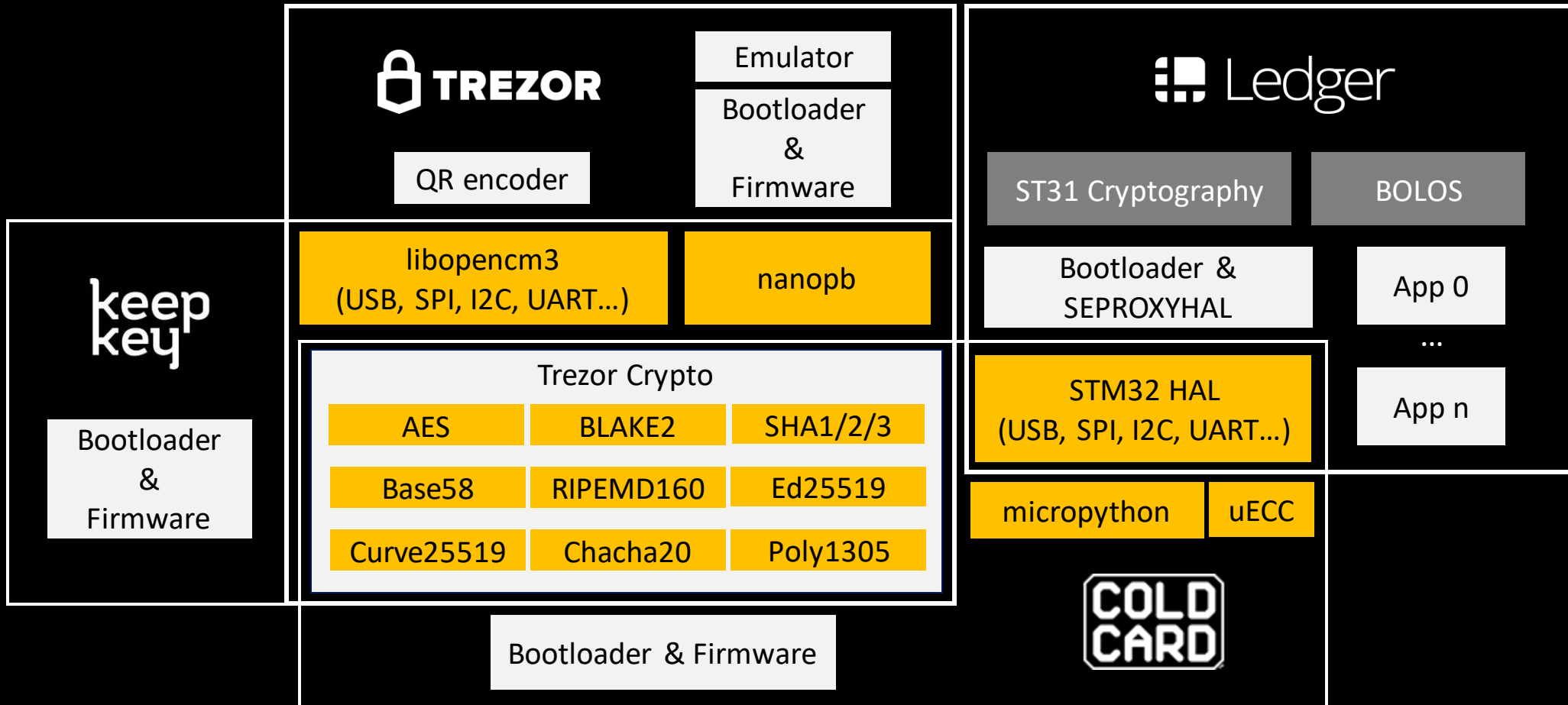
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Library dependencies



third party libs



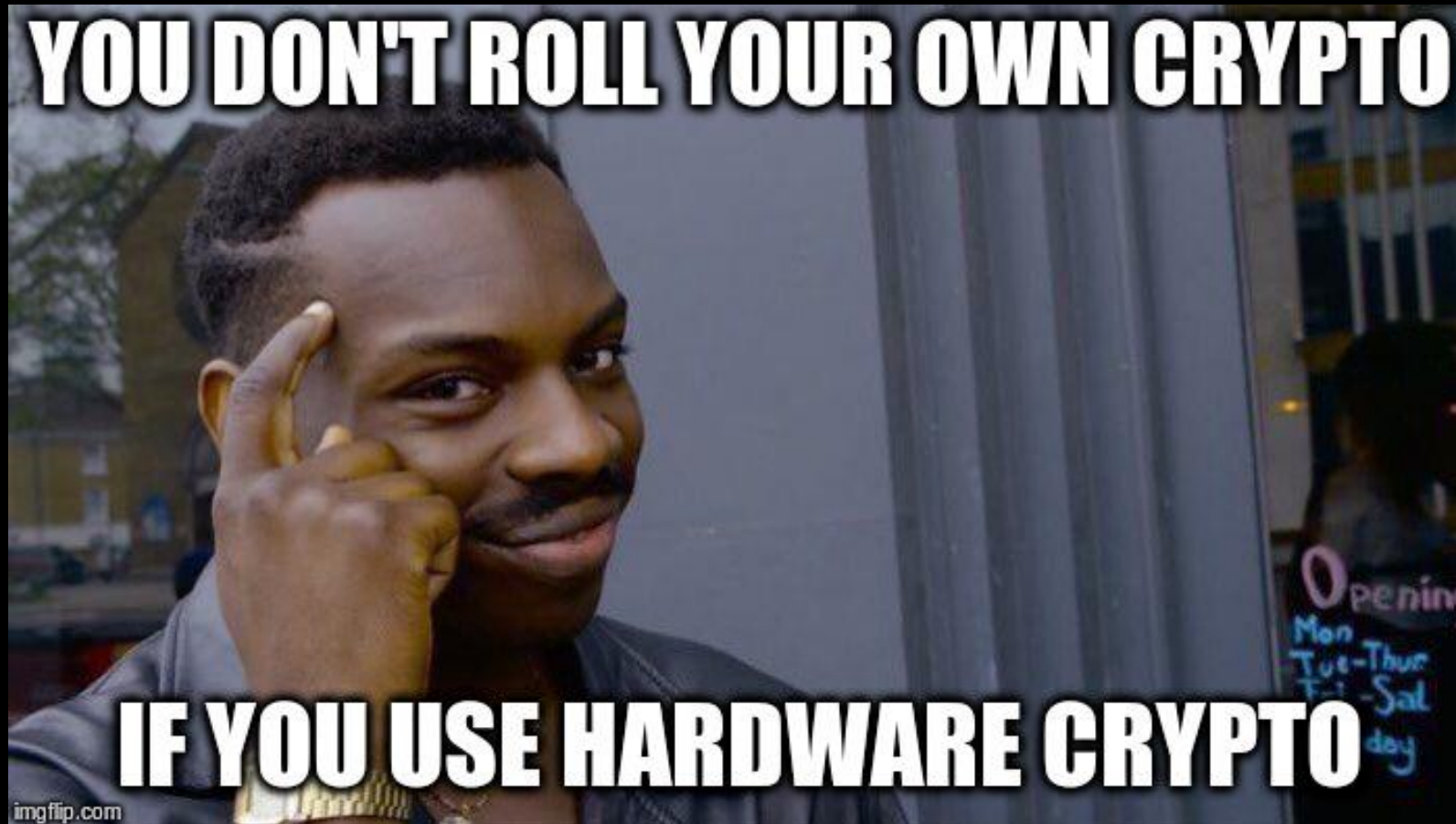
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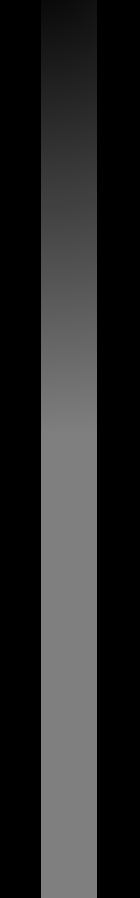
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Don't roll your own crypto!



Code size comparison



2.5M+



346k+



162k+

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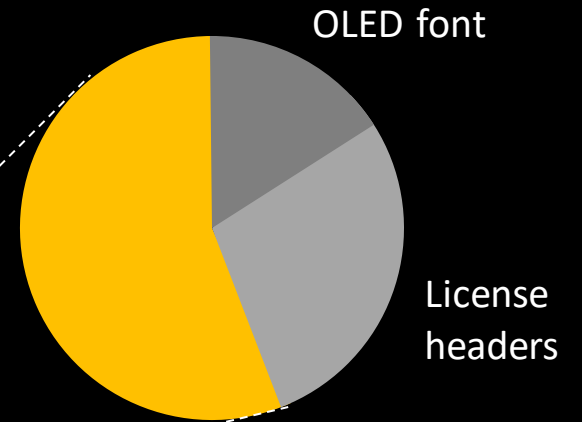
122k+

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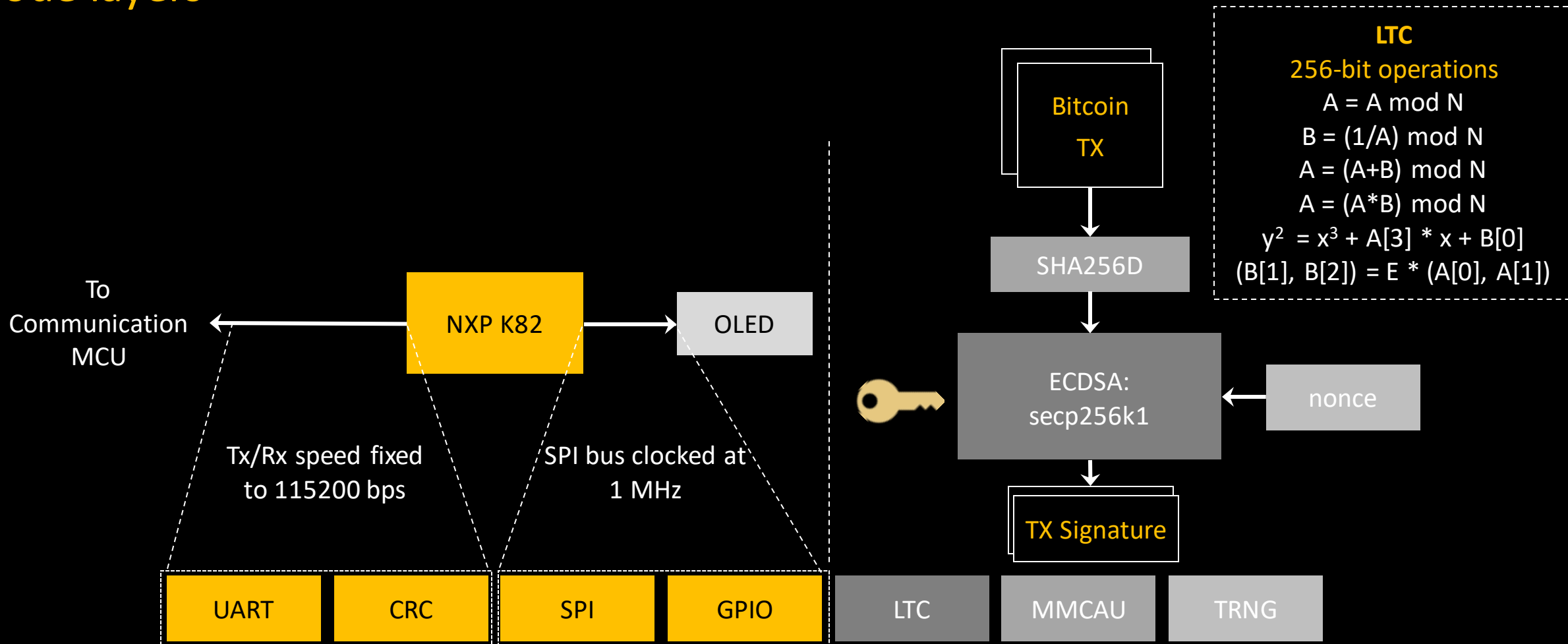


~4k

```
git clone https://github.com/{PRODUCT}/{FIRMWARE} --recurse-submodules
cd {FIRMWARE}
wc -l `find ./ -name "*.c" -o -name "*.h"`
```



Code layers



<https://gitlab.com/nemanjan/hwallet>



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Code layers

```
typedef struct {
    uint16_t type;
    uint16_t length;
    uint8_t data[32];
    uint32_t crc;
} Packet;
```

```
PACKET_Send();
PACKET_Receive();
```

```
typedef struct {
    SPIx* spi;
    GPIOx* dcGpio;
    GPIOx* rstGpio;
    uint8_t dcPin;
    uint8_t rstPin;
    uint8_t buffer[ ];
} OLED;
```

```
OLED_WriteRow();
OLED_Clear();
```

```
CRYPTO_Random();
CRYPTO_SHA256();
CRYPTO_ECDSA_Sign();
CRYPTO_ECDSA_GetPublicKey();
typedef struct {
    uint8_t num[32];
    uint8_t len;
} Bignum;
CRYPTO_Bignum_Init();
CRYPTO_Bignum_Mod();
CRYPTO_Bignum_Div();
CRYPTO_Bignum_Sub();
CRYPTO_Bignum_IsNull();
```

$B' = (1/B) \bmod N$
 $A' = A - A \bmod B$
 $(A/B) \bmod N = (A'B') \bmod N$

N - a large prime, larger than any A or B, e.g. **p** from secp256k1



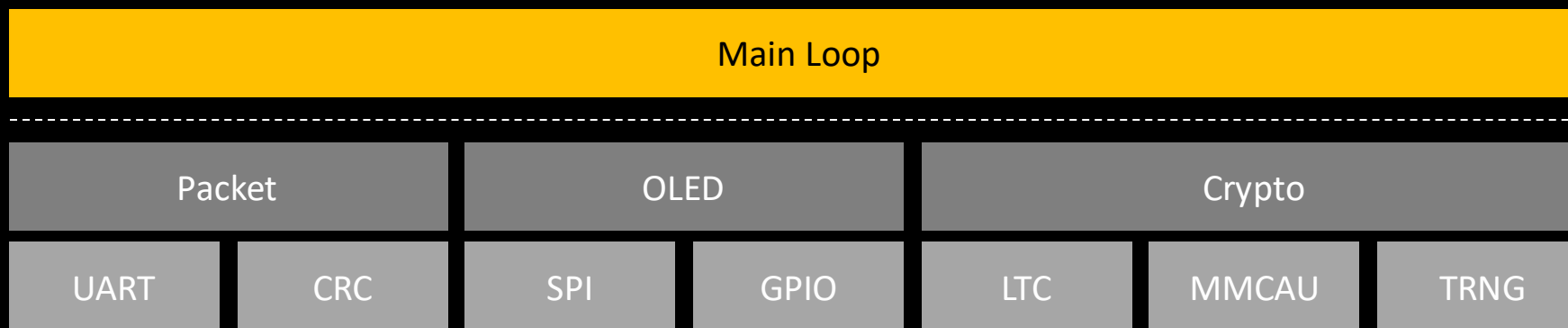
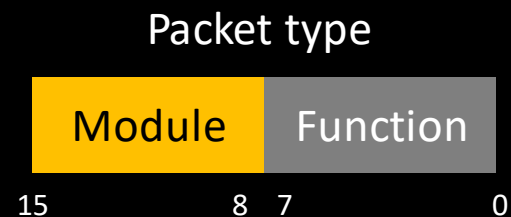
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```
while(1) {  
    Packet msg;  
    PACKET_Receive(&msg);  
    switch(PACKET_MODULE(msg.type)) {  
        case PACKET_BITCOIN:  
            Bitcoin_Process(&msg);  
            ...  
    };  
}
```



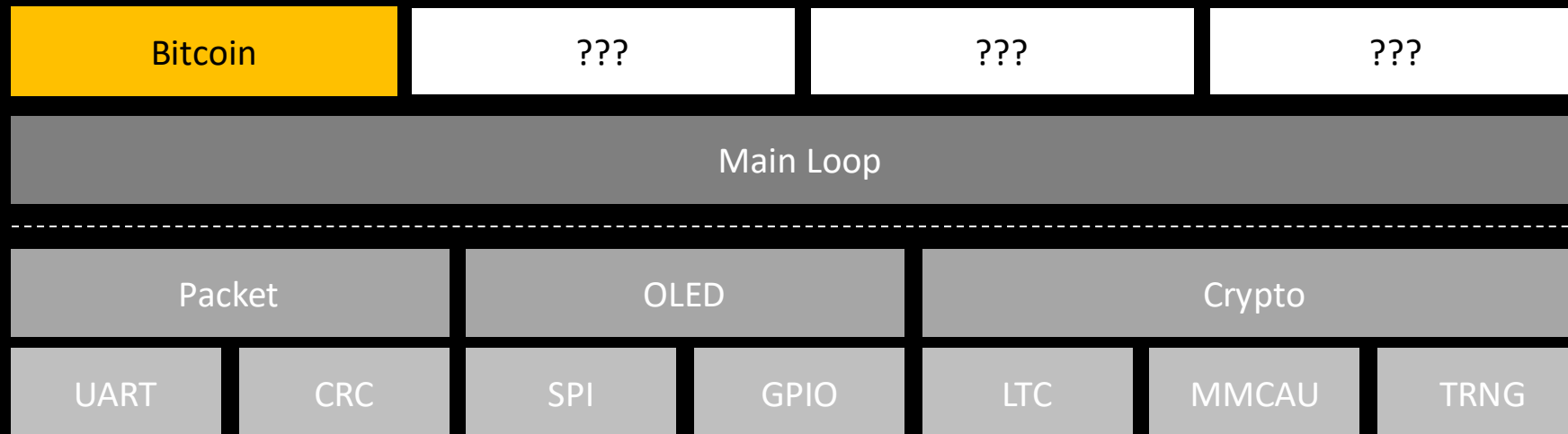
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```
void Bitcoin_Process(Packet* msg) {  
    switch (PACKET_FUNC(msg->type)) {  
        case BITCOIN_FUNC_INIT_TX:  
            Bitcoin_Tx_Init();  
            ...  
    };  
}
```



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Demo

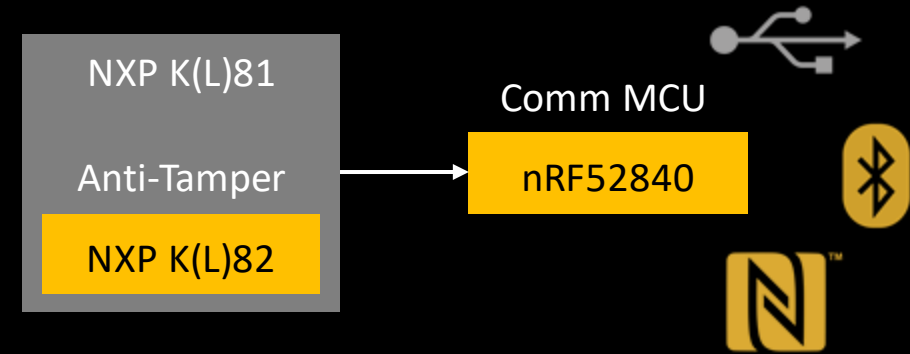
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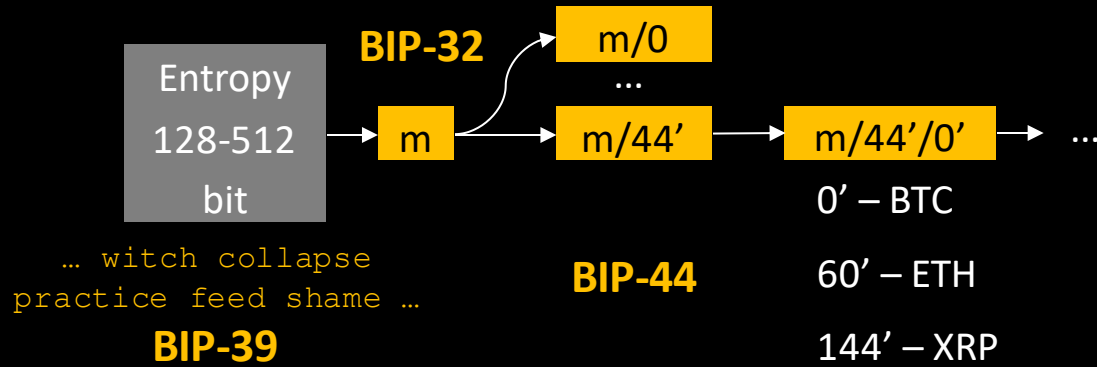
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What's next?

FIDO U2F



Recovery seed



More cryptocurrencies





Questions?

