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# Breaking Web3

## Exploitation Techniques For Cryptocurrency Hacking

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# Agenda

1. Introduction to web3 hacking
2. Eth Transactions
3. Tools for interacting with Eth EVM
4. Remix IDE, ERC20, Truffle, Ganache
5. Substrate/Rust, Extrinsics, PolkadotJS
6. ChaosPallet
7. From web2 to web3 -> Node keys
8. When you don't see it aka social engineering in web3
9. Spilling the Tea

/bin/zsh 76x20

```
six ~ > whoami  
> Web3 hacker  
> Founder of CCTF  
> Co-founder of QRUCIAL  
> Polkadot Head Ambassador of Eastern Europe  
> Just does what he loves.
```

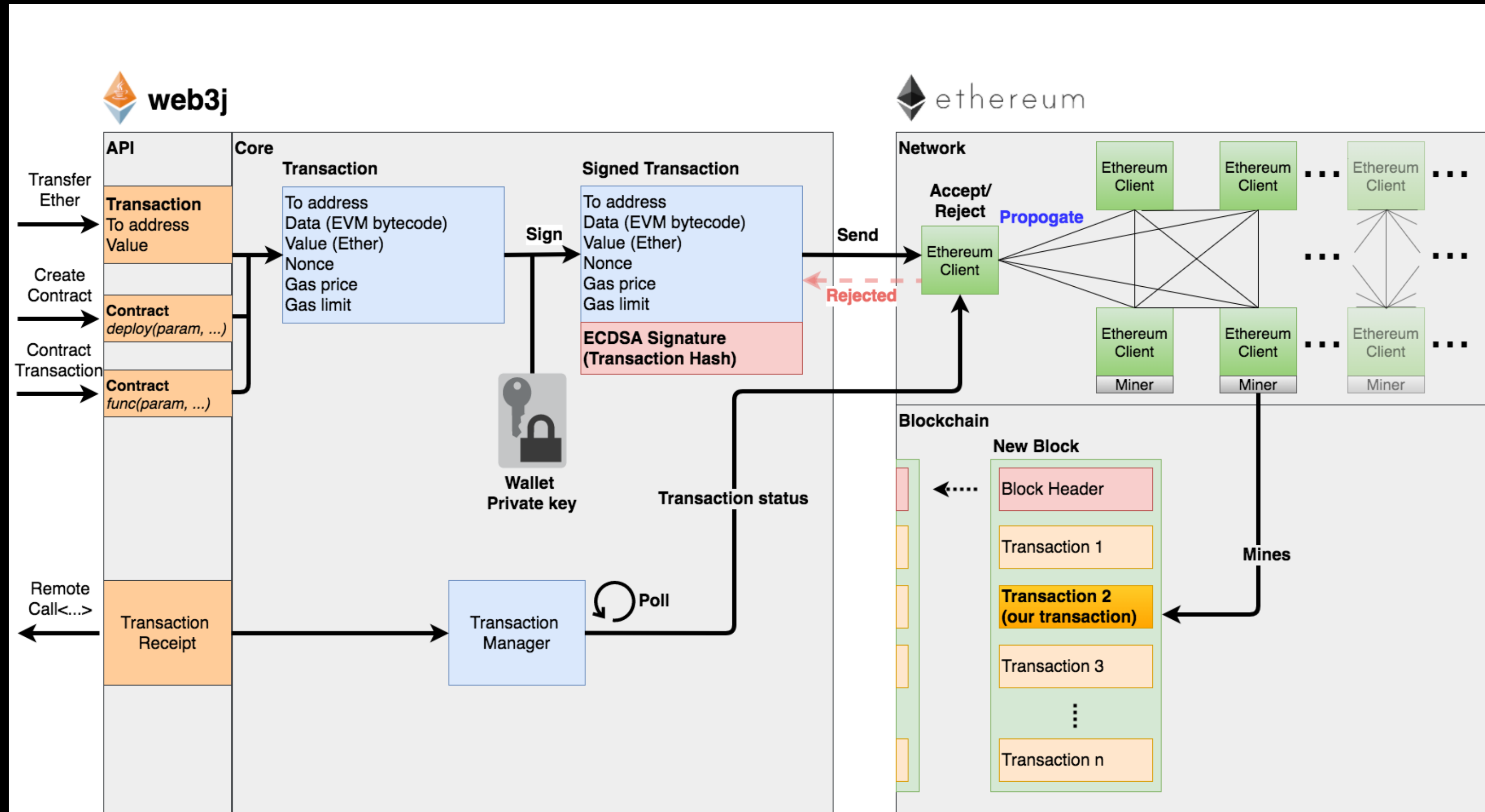
# What the web3 aka...

## Reverse engineering buzzwords

& the hype

proof of deposit   ink!   swap   remix ide  
token   DeFi   crypto   dApp   decentralized  
bridge   web3   coin   crypto wallet   substrate  
metaverse   solidity.   javascript 🧠  
blockchain   smart contract   tx   wrapped coin  
   signing

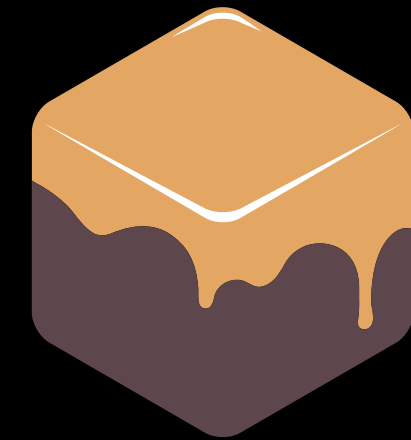
# Basic stuff: Eth tx



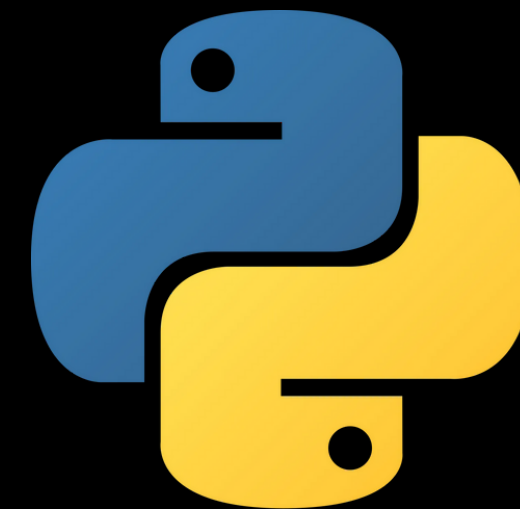
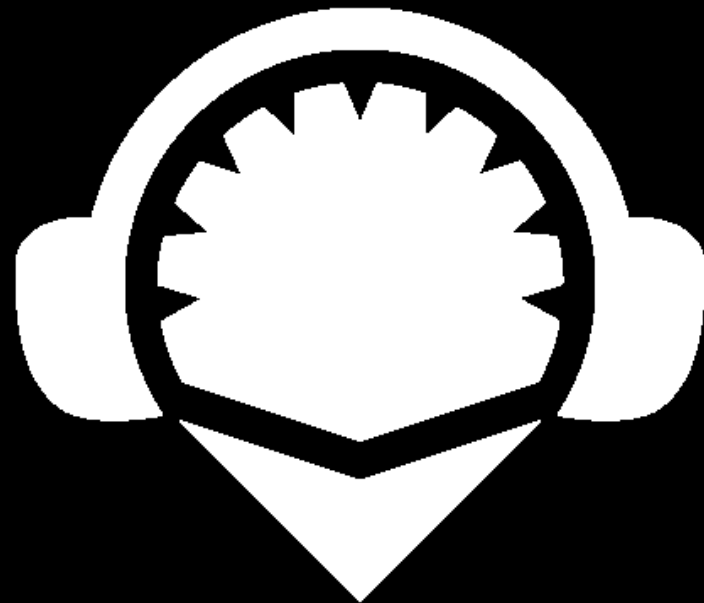
# Tools to pwn all the Eth



TRUFFLE



Ganache



+ [github.com/crytic/awesome-ethereum-security](https://github.com/crytic/awesome-ethereum-security)



# Starter technique

## anyone can kill your contract #6995

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I accidentally killed it.

<https://etherscan.io/address/0x863df6bfa4469f3ead0be8f9f2aae51c91a907b4>

Multisig issue: <https://github.com/openethereum/parity-ethereum/issues/6995>

# TXDATA Replay Attack

```
Function: mintWithReceipt(address recipient, uint256 amount, uint256 uuid, uint8 v, bytes32 r, bytes32 s) ***
```

MethodID: 0x05b084df

[illegible]

```
[1]: 00000000000000000000000000000000000000008dafa88e340e3ed80000
```

[illegible][illegible]

```
[4]: 2aa17615cf385bc09fefbf96968005f05258033704a880407a5ac72e6a395076
```

```
[5]: 5347c8812f0bfaa5df77e832f14d618ce535e8900136bb87ec6699dc8c1b6d64
```

## wBanano hack TXs:

<https://polygonscan.com/tx/0xbcf3f1192d63a0d240995619b8896c406d1ba6fa7c2fc81503057d61c98bba41>

<https://bscscan.com/tx/0x60c3ae26d1a1d2b525a425aacdbde30bf7efdc09a125086cc7aab9b347daf684>



# Demo - Solidity

- Interact a smart contract (explorer)
  - ERC20 in Remix
- Call from another smart contract
  - Exploit reentrancy

# Demo

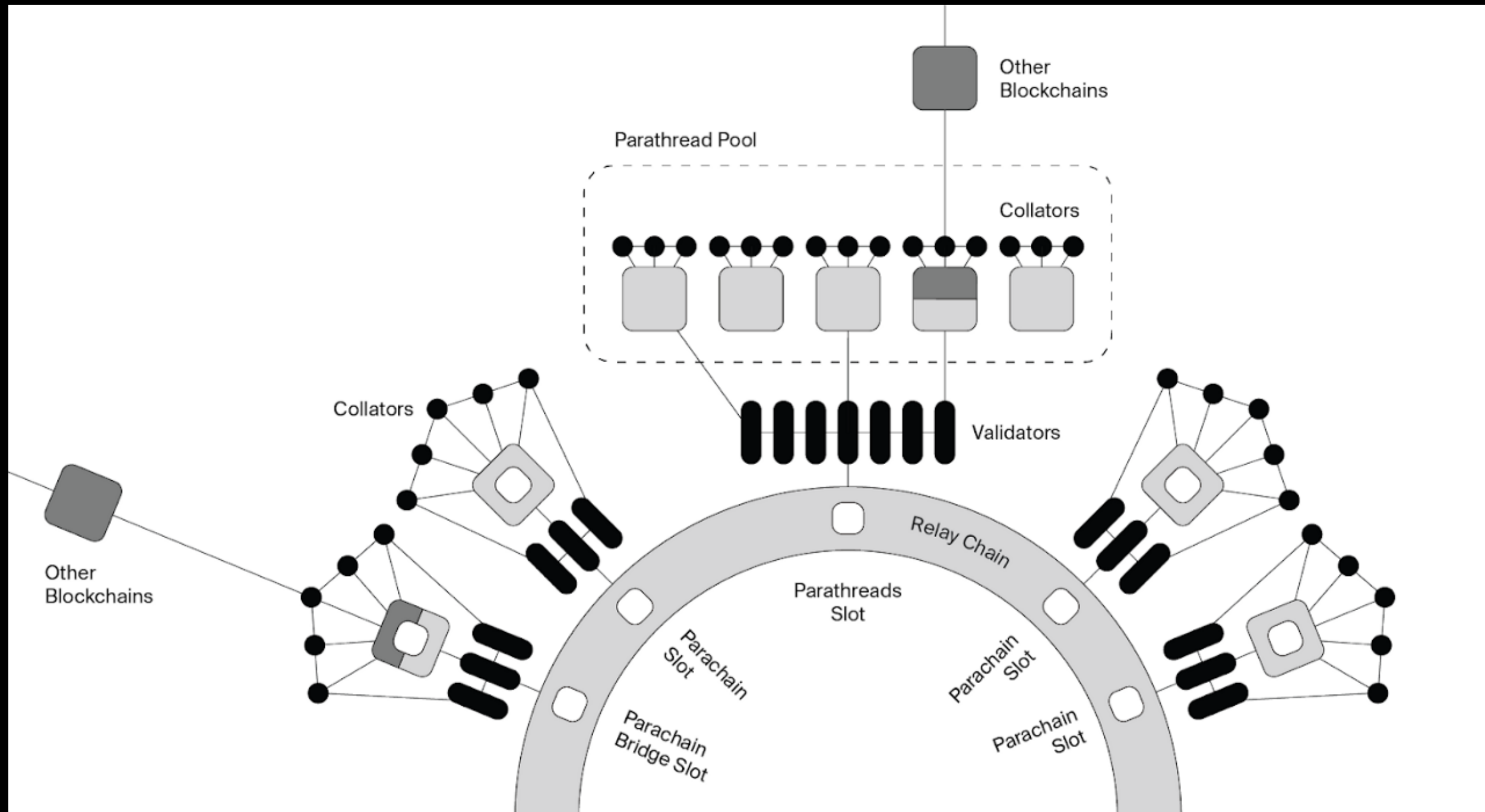
- Ethkeygen
- Generate ECDSA keys
- Reference: wBan Hack

# Hacking Substrate - Why?



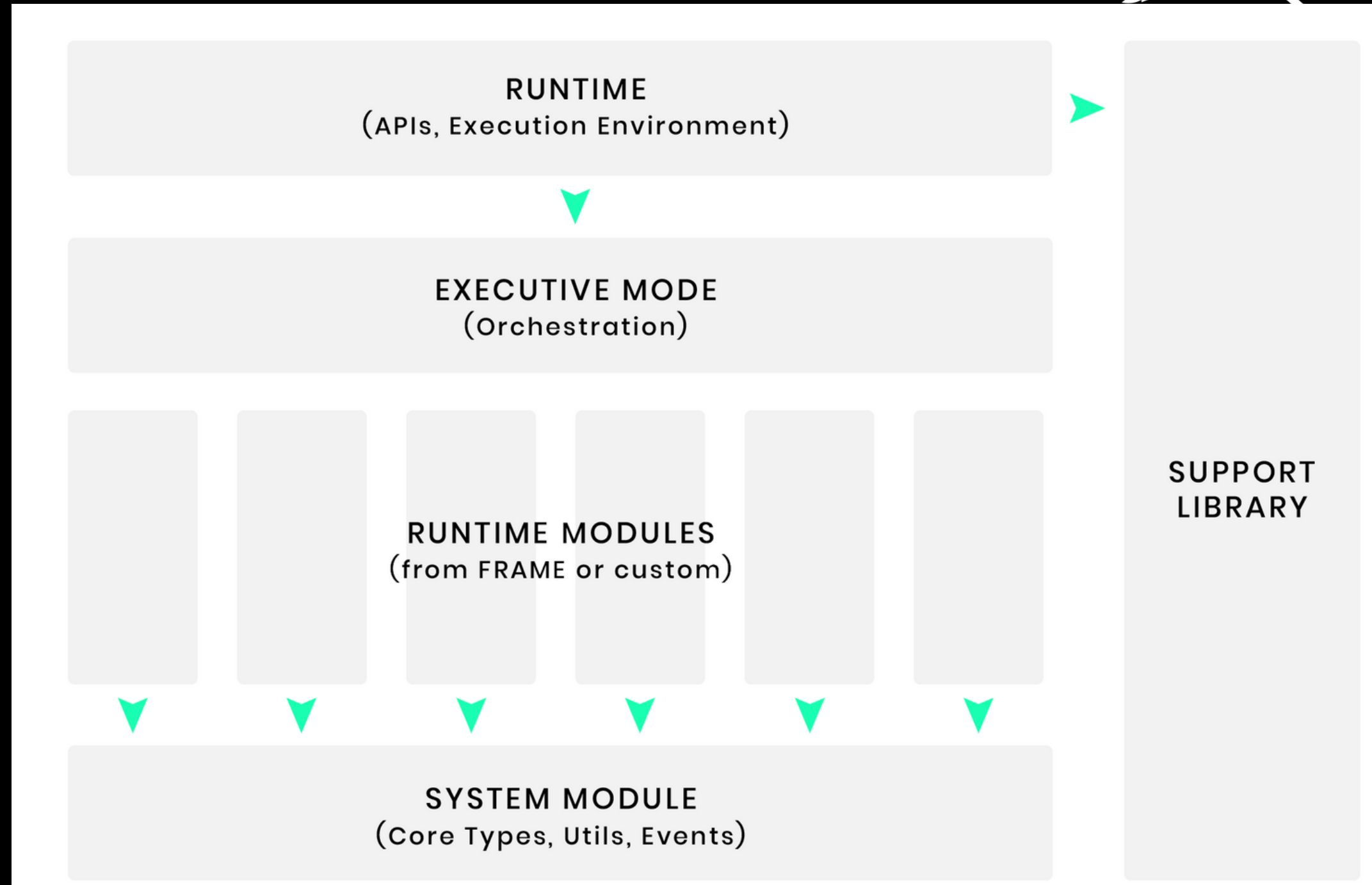
Features of  
**Substrate**

# Polkadot targets



- Parachains -> sovereign blockchains.
- Relay chain -> Governance mechanism, Parachain auctions, NPoS
  - Shared state/sec between the Relay Chain and Parachains.
  - Parathread -> pay-as-you-go model.
- Governance -> in practice, through PolkadotJS !!!! \$\$\$! :)))

# Attack from inside: chaoscope



# Okey, but how do we hack it?

- Chaos Pallet
- Build and run Substrate -> [substrate.io](https://substrate.io)
  - How-NOT-to-build-a-pallet (ideas)
  - Lets speak about the ink! pallets too!

How not to build a pallet -> <https://github.com/apopiak/how-not-to-build-a-pallet>



# Attacking: ink! smart contracts

- Run locally by 'substrate-contracts-node'

- Connect to the node with PolkadotJS

- <https://polkadot.js.org/apps/>

- Execute smart contracts using ContractsUI

- <https://github.com/paritytech/contracts-ui>

- <https://contracts-ui.substrate.io/>

- [ink! VS Solidity](#)

- <https://ink.substrate.io/ink-vs-solidity>

# Note on what web3 is NOT meant to be:



# Social Engineering

Extension: (MetaMask) - MetaMask Notificati...

• Polygon Mainnet

 cctf\_admin cctf9sc

## DETAILS

DATA

HEX

HEX DATA: 228 BYTES

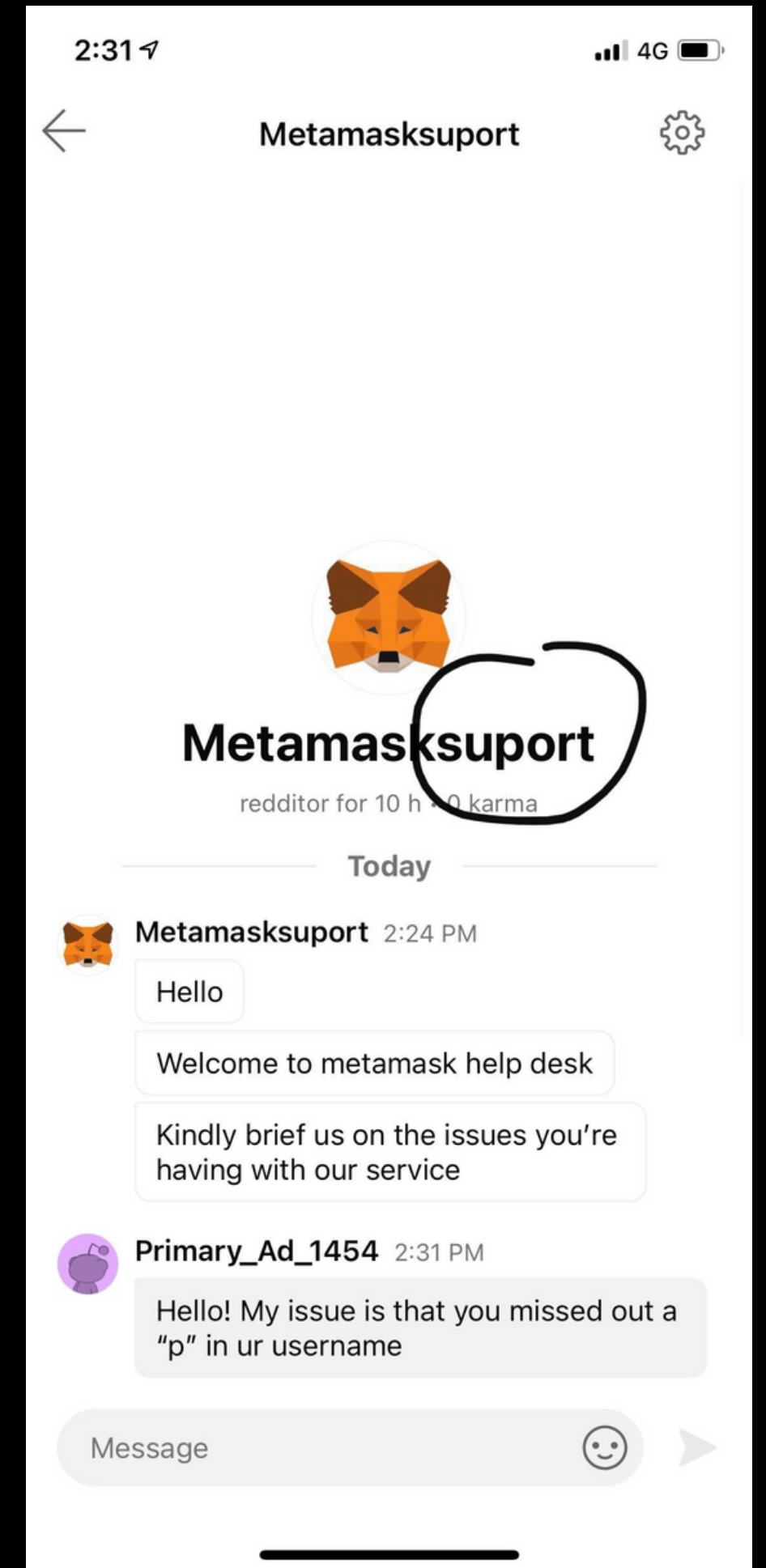
[illegible]☐ Copy raw transaction data

Reject

Confirm

Not always the brightest attackers ->

Awareness <3



# Spilling the tea: advanced techniques

- Proxy contract hacking (same tools)
  - Reverse engineering (octopus helps)
  - Consensus and network attacks
  - Flash Loan
  - Logic bugs <3
  - MEV
  - Vulns like Uncle Maker
- > <https://eprint.iacr.org/2022/1020>





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