

CoinJoinXT

... and other techniques for deniable transfers

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Motivation

Intrinsic fungibility and “deniability”

CoinJoinXT

Extending CoinJoin across multiple transactions

CoinJoin Unlimited

Amount correlation, moving off chain

Accompanying blogpost:

<https://joinmarket.me/blog/blog/CoinJoinXT>

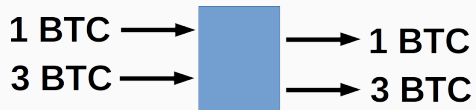
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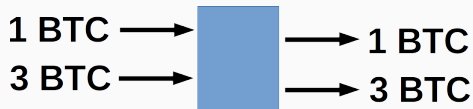
Intrinsic fungibility - satoshis are not watermarked



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- A Alice pays Bob 1 coin with 4 coins, Alice gets 3 change
- B "CoinJoin" - Alice pays Alice 1, Bob pays Bob 3
- C Alice pays Bob 2 (!) - Alice pays 3, gets 1, Bob pays 1, gets 3
- D Alice pays Bob 4 coins (in 2 outputs for some reason)
- E Fake payment/Coinjoin - Alice owns everything
- F Alice pays Bob 3 coins and Carol 1 coin
- G Alice pays 3, Bob pays 1, Carol receives 3, David receives 1
- H Alice and Bob pay Carol 4 coins

CoinJoin today²

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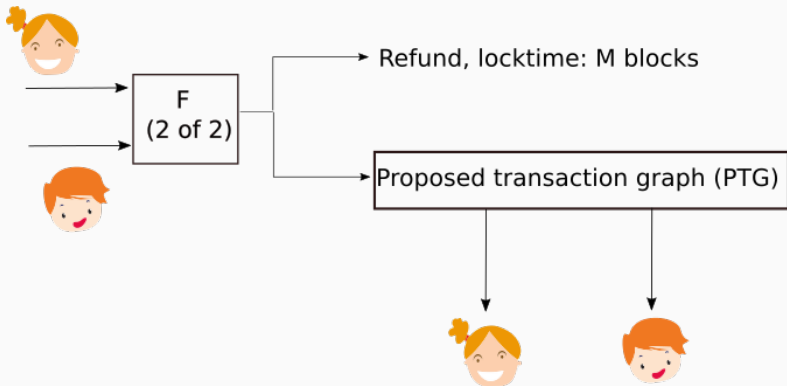
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Heuristic 3

Transfer of control/ownership in one transaction implies payment

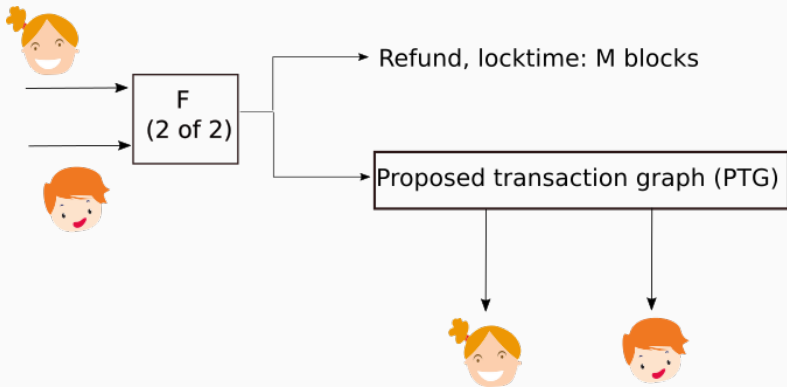
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CoinJoinXT - simplest case



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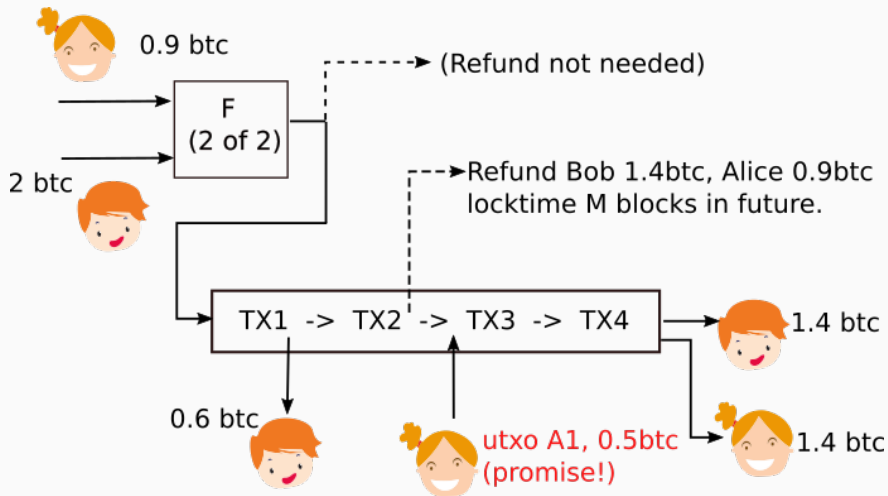
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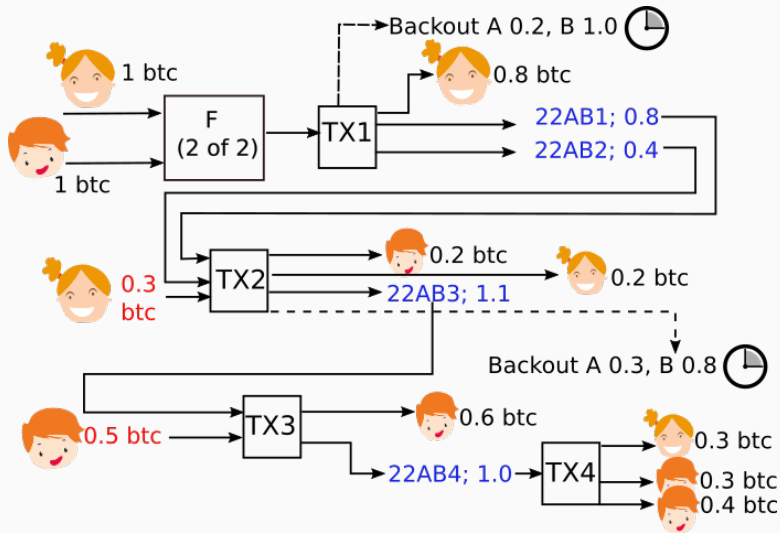


CoinJoinXT - add a promise



Bob takes no risk of funds loss in case Alice double spends A1.

CoinJoinXT - example



Boundary may be unclear to attacker

CoinJoin Unlimited

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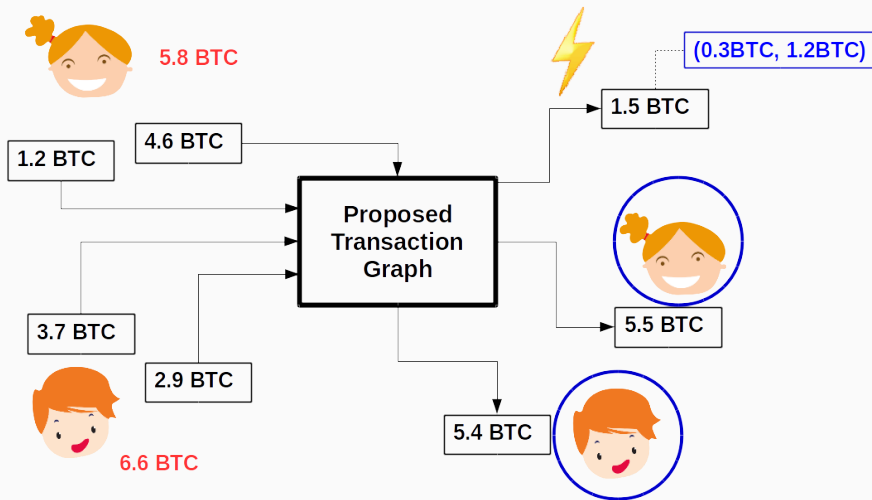
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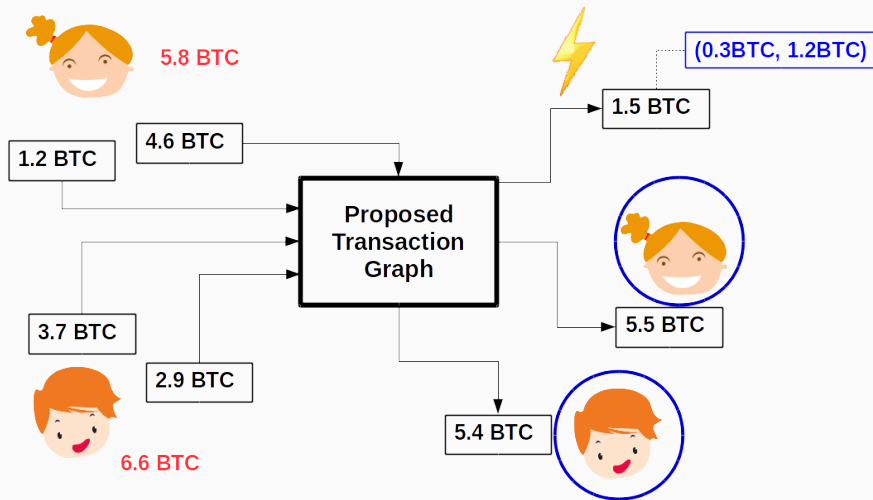
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- Another approach - combine with ⚡

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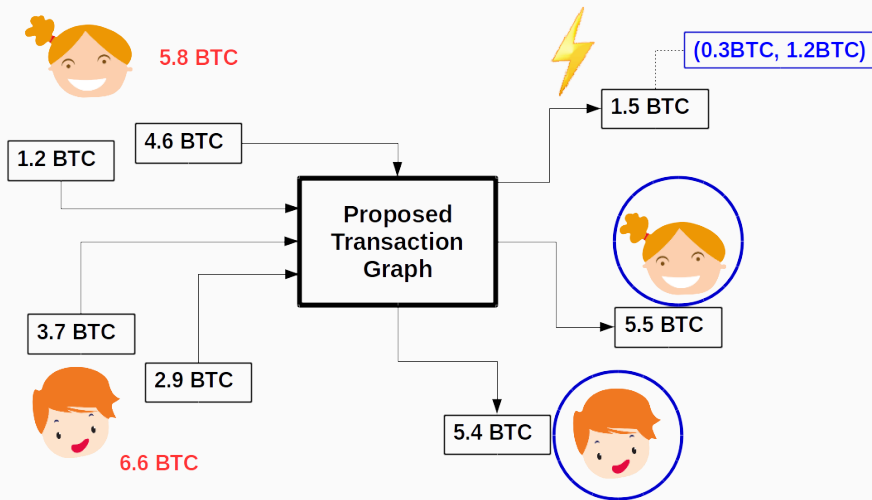


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Even *after* close, no subsets if spending off-chain occurred

Thank you

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