## Life-Like Identity Building an Identity Metasystem

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# The Problems with Digital Identity

- Proximity
- Autonomy
- Privacy
- Anonymity
- Flexibility
- Interoperability
- Scale

The Internet was created without a way of identifying the people and organizations who use it.





"On the Internet, nobody knows you're a dog."



Internet Identity Workshop

#### Kim Cameron



**Microsoft's Chief Identity Architect** 

Formulated the Laws of Identity in 2005

Proposed the need for an identity metasystem to support those laws

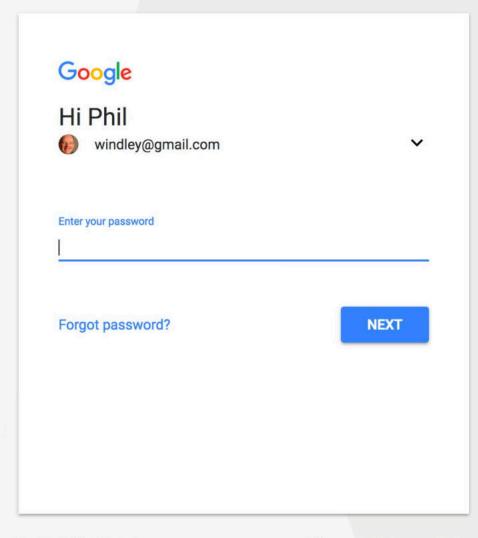


# What is an Identity Metasystem?

Digital identity systems must exist in a metasystem:

- Encapsulating protocol
- Unified user experience
- Where users select appropriate identity providers and features
- Not a monolith

## Why do we build identity systems?

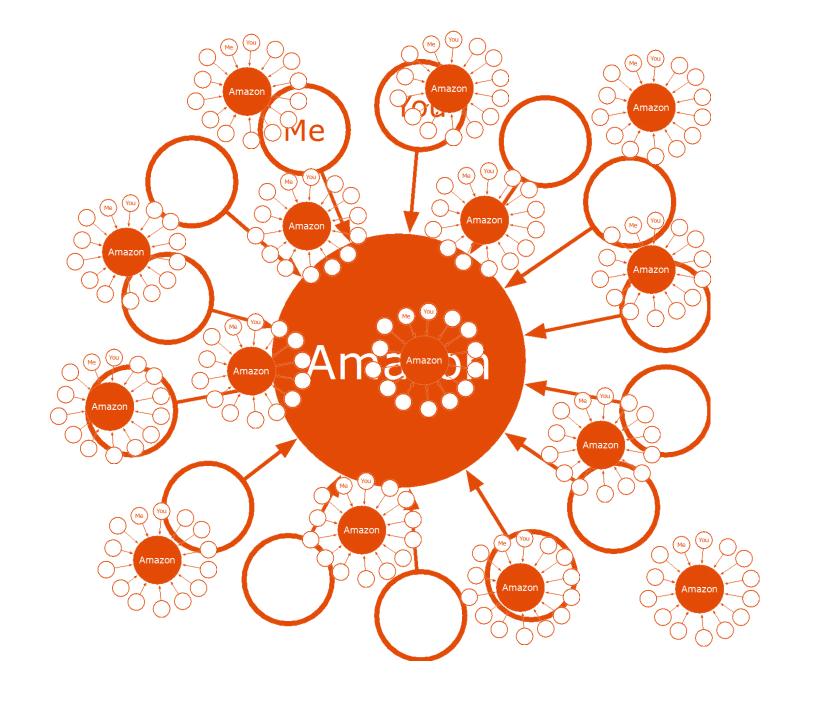


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Privacy

Terms

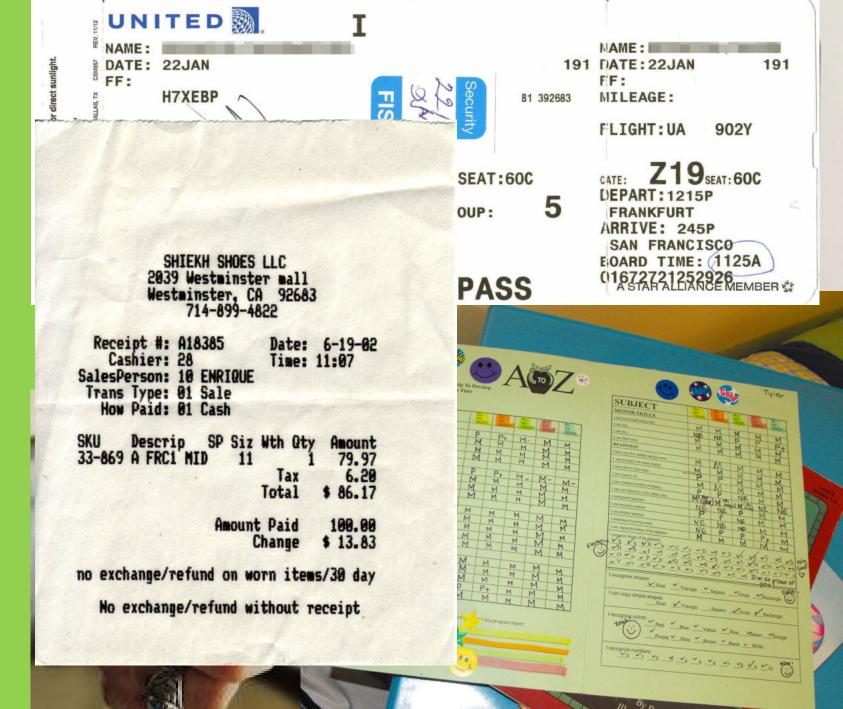
Identity systems are trust frameworks



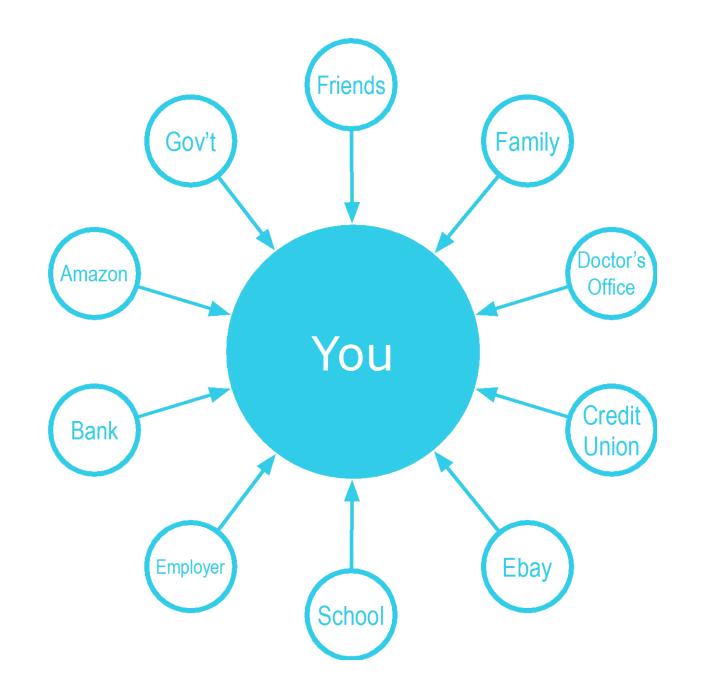
Trust frameworks in the physical world



## Identity in the Physical World

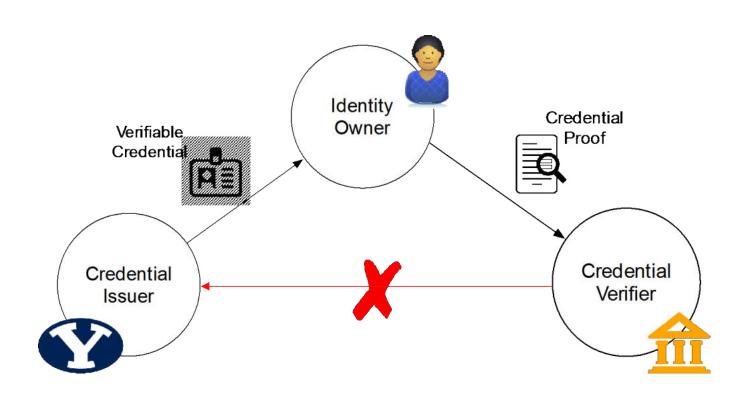


## Multi-source Identity



### Verifiable Credentials

When you can instantly trust what someone says about themselves, workflows and integrations are dramatically simplified.



Four Checks a Verifier does when receiving a proof



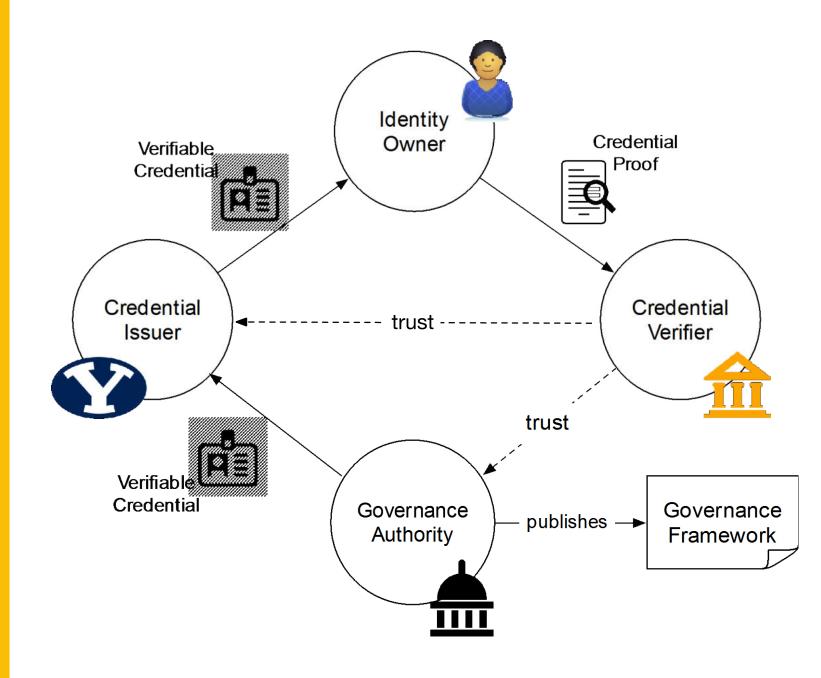


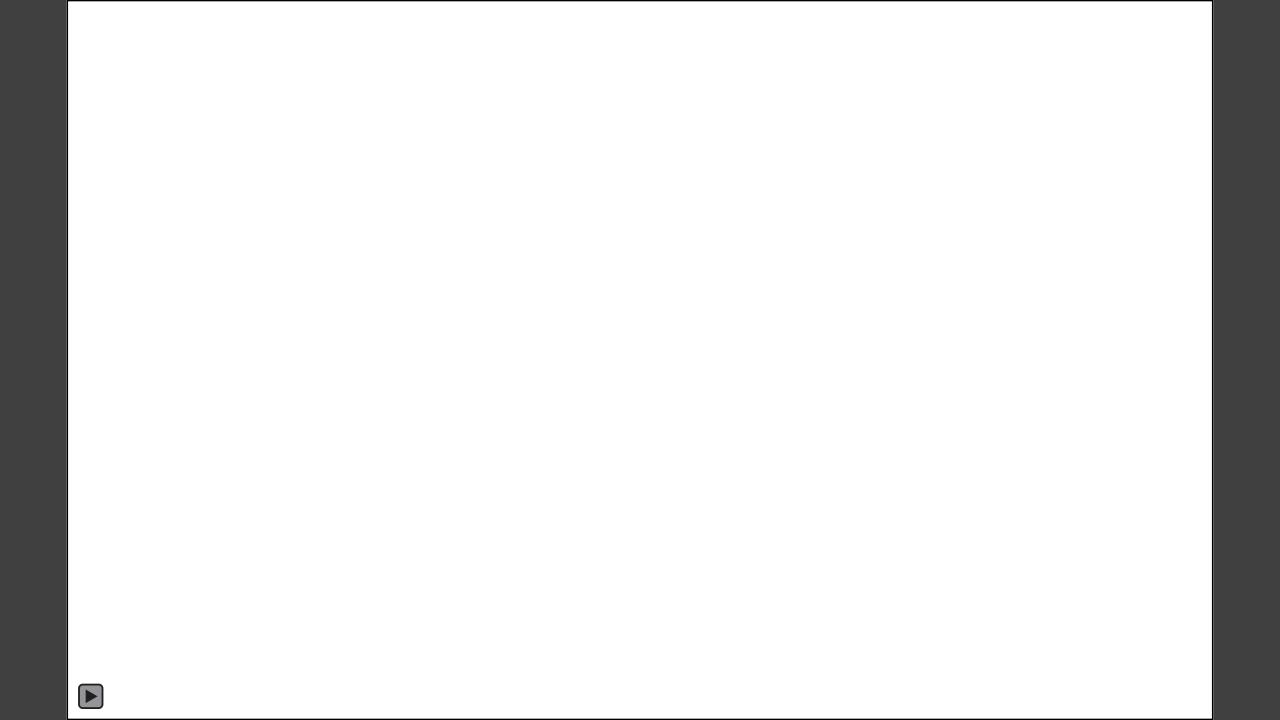




### The Trust Triangle

This model follows
patterns that people
have used for centuries
and has several
desirable features





#### Demo

- https://try.connect.me
- Streetcred.id
- Others in beta

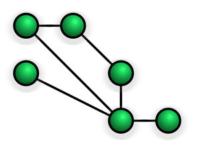
Connect.me and Streetcred.id wallets can be used to create connections, get credentials, and use them

### Four Things Make Sovrin Work









**Decentralized Identifiers** 

DIDs provide pairwise identifiers for every relationship to prevent correlation.

DID Descriptor Objects link DIDs to public keys and end points Verifiable Credentials

Allow third parties to provide identity owners with credentials they can use just like they do offline.

**P2P Agents** 

Support creating relationships and sharing verifiable credentials in a decentralized way.

Distributed Ledger

Public DIDs

Revocation

Schema

Credential Definitions

Identity Metasystem

Layer Four: Governance Frameworks

Layer Three: Credential Exchange

Trust Auditor Anchor Accreditor **HYPERLEDGER** ARIES Verifiable **Proof** Credential tps://wiki.hyperledger.org/display/aries..... ssuer Verifier

**Layer Two:** Agent-to-Agent **DIDComm Protocol** 

> Layer One: **DID Registries**

Connection Agent + Wallet Agent + Wallet

DIDs

**Public Blockchain**  **DIDs** 

**Public** Blockchain DIDs

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**Public** Blockchain DIDs

Public Blockchain







As users, we need to see our various identities as part of an integrated world which none the less respects our need for independent contexts.

Privacy is a musthave feature for an identity utility



A identity metasystem changes online interactions



Sovrin is in production use now



Trustworthy credentials reorder online trust



## A Global, Public Network for Trust at a Distance

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