

## **Blockchain Technology**

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#### **Bitcoin**

- Bitcoin enabled an innovative platform for peer to peer transfer of value without any central authority
- By implementing software programs for validation, verification, consensus in the blockchain
- Recording the transaction in an immutable distributed ledger
- Establishing trust among unknown peers
- BTC price on 17 March 2020 USD 4.9 k
- BTC price mid-April 2021 USD 64 k !!!!
- BTC price USD 31.7 k (19 July 2021)
- BTC price USD 22.7k (today)

## **21,075.30** USD

-18,413.40 (46.63%)<mark>↓</mark> past year

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#### Bitcoin price – historical



## BTC price – Fall 2021 lecture (ATH – April 2021 USD 64k)



# Bitcoin (July 2020)! (Fall 2020 first lecture)

08/05/2019 to 08/06/2020

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## Why Crypto price fluctuates?

- India Banknote Demonetization (2016)
- Donald Trump's election as President (2016)
- Elon Musk (Tesla BTC investment (Jan 2021),
  Doge meme coin tweet (Jan 2021))
- Colonial Pipeline Attack (May 2021) and Recovery of Ransom BTC by FBI
- China crack down on Mining Farms (June 2021)
- Mining as a business (abstract view)

#### **Altcoins**

- best-known cryptocurrency Bitcoin BTC (max. supply 21 M)
- And a selected number of alternative cryptocurrencies known as "Altcoins" (coins that are an alternative to Bitcoin)
- Altcoins that are built using Bitcoin's original open-source protocol (e.g. Litecoin LTC, max. supply 84 M)
- //The Litecoin Network aims to process a block every 2.5 minutes, rather than Bitcoin's 10 minutes. This allows Litecoin to confirm transactions much faster than Bitcoin.
- Altcoins that are not based on Bitcoin's open-source protocol, but that have their own protocol and distributed ledger. (e.g. Ethereum ETH max. supply unlimited!, Ripple XRP max. supply 100 B)
- //Ethereum is a decentralized, opensource blockchain with smart contract functionality

## Market Cap = Current Price x Circulating Supply (July 2021)

Market cap of BTC ~600 B USD Circulating supply = 18,759,981 BTC April 2021 – market cap ~ 1.2 Trillion USD Why?

BTC - Store of Value – digital gold //Universal currency?

Market cap of Eth ~223 B USD

**Ethereum Eth- Utility token** 

Market cap of BNB ~ 52 B USD

BNB – exchange token used for payment of fees (trading)

Market cap of UNI ~ 10 B USD

UNI - DeFi (landing protocol - governance token)

BAT – (Basic Attention Token).... digital advertisement industry

CHIA token - XCH (Proofs of Space and Time - Storage as a Service)....

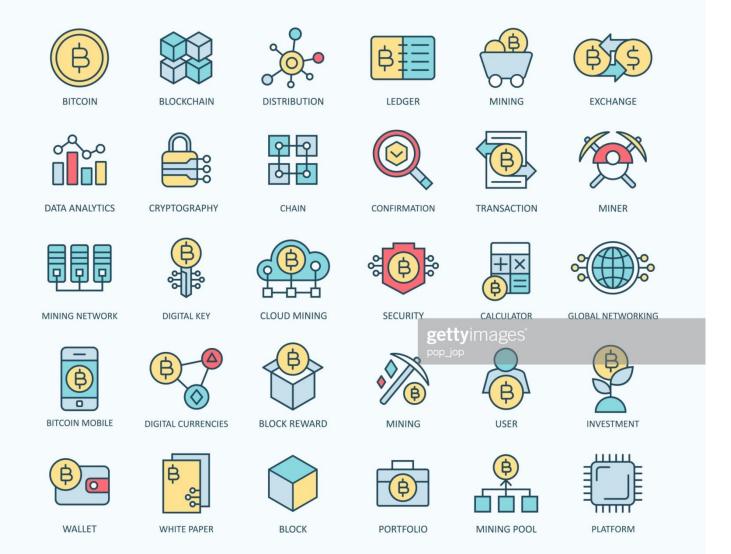
## Why Crypto price fluctuates?

- El Salvador declaring BTC as a legal tender (Sept 2021)
- Wars (US force leaving Afghanistan (Aug 2021), Russian Invasion in Ukraine (Feb 2022))
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- Political resistance (old school) across the world ....
- Market movers (Eth2.0, DeFi, NFTs, Gaming and Metaverse, CBDC etc.)

## Blockchain Technology (domain, keywords and symbols)

- Cryptocurrency (coins, addresses, wallets and exchanges)
- Transactions, Blocks, Hash function, Public Key Cryptography
- Remittance, Payment system(?), Stable coins,
- Mining, Consensus, Burning, Governance, Fees
- Smart contracts
- Tokenization and Virtual assets
- Supply-chain, Value-chain, Circular economy
- Scalability (Main chain, Side chain, Para chains,..)

### BLOCKCHAIN



### Pre-test (scheduled at 11:30 AM)

- Google classroom
- Test Link
- Participation is important

#### Blockchain – visualization – hands on

 https://andersbrownworth.com/blockchain/di stributed