





Blockchain-A Decentralized & Distributed Ledger Technology

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Brief Profile



Qualification:

- Ph.D. (Blockchain Security)
- MS CS
- BS Computer Engg.
- Experience: (17 years)
 - 5 years as System Analyst/Programmer
 - 2010 to present at NED University

Certifications:

- Introduction to Amazon Elastic Compute Cloud (EC2)
- Introduction to AWS Solutions
- Essential Features of .NET Framework
- Microsoft Certified Technology Specialist (Windows Share point)
- Windows Phone 7 Development

Awards:

- Best Researcher Award 2021 by NED
- E-Invoicing App award by TCS

Financial Rewards:

 Received a financial reward of 7 hundred thousand PKR for blockchain security related publications from NED University.

Affiliations/Membership:

- NED University
- Member of Blockchain Community, IEEE, Membership No. 95502101

Blockchain Technology Collab:

- Engaged in international Blockchain
 Project worth a funding amount of up to €123k.
- Research Collaboration with Daniel Kraft, chief scientist at Namecoin
- Technical collaboration with Apptron
 Technologies Pvt. Ltd. as a lead external consultant. (2021)
- Idea selected for pitching in International ONTO CHAIN Summit 2022 at Berlin, Germany
- Presented Blockchain security model at University of West London, UK.

AGENDA

- Goal
- Motivation
- Relevance
- Blockchain & Cryptocurrency
 - Hashing ------10 min. (approx.)
 - Data Structure, Decentralized, Public ledger, Immutability--- 20 min. (approx.)
 - Real World Applications of Blockchain------ 10 min. (approx.)
 - Misconceptions Regarding Blockchain------ 20 min. (approx.)
 - Key Research Areas----- 20 min. (approx.)
- Blockchain in Banking
 - Assets Creation ----- 20 min. (approx.)
 - Transaction Processing through Public addresses ------ 20 min. (approx.)
 - Implementation of Interesting Use-Cases ------ 20 min. (approx.)
- What is Next
 - API based Banking DApps----- 20 min. (approx.)
- Q/A ----- 20 min. (approx.)
- Acknowledgement

Goal

"To Provide Strong Theoretical and Practical Foundation for Building and Deploying Distributed Decentralized Architecture for real world problems."



Motivation

The Presentation will address the rising issue of transferring asset from one entity to another in a conventional centralised environment by proposing and implementing a distributed and decentralized architecture using public ledger.



Relevance

The topic is about one of the most emerging technologies in distributed computing which is blockchain. The technology does not require any trusted party to run the system over the network and has been successful in variety of domains including well-known cryptocurrency, Bitcoin.



If you can't explain it simply, you don't understand it well enough.



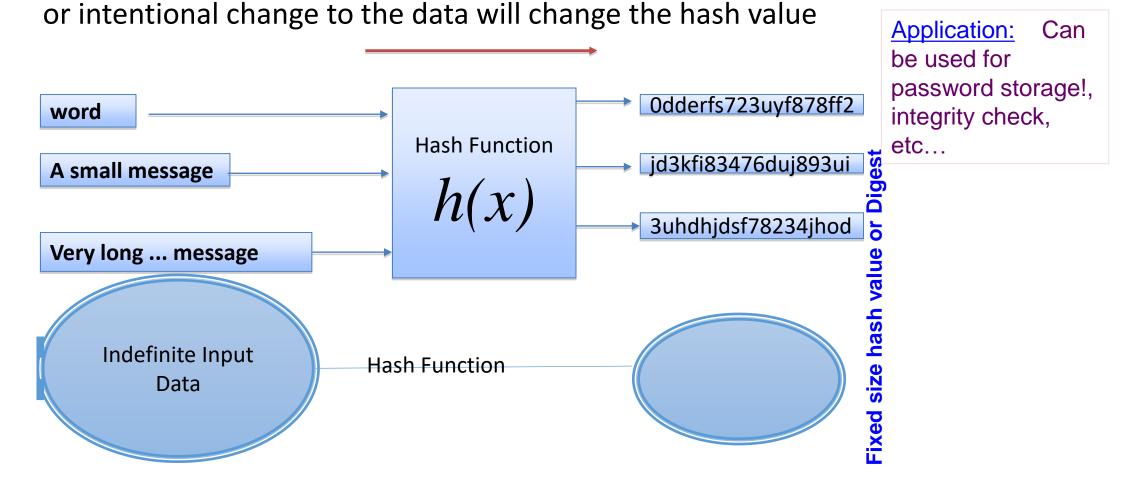
Blockchain & Cryptocurrency

- What is this?
- Why is it gaining importance?
- Point of Concerns.



Cryptographic Hash Function (CHF)

• A procedure that takes an arbitrary block of data and returns a fixed-size bit string, the (cryptographic) hash value, such that an accidental



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Blockchain & Cryptocurrency: Evolution to Crypto

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 - This may lead to cancellation of the deal.
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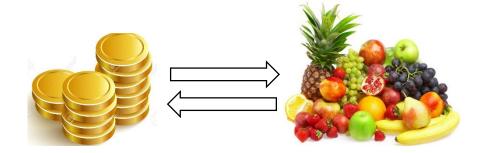
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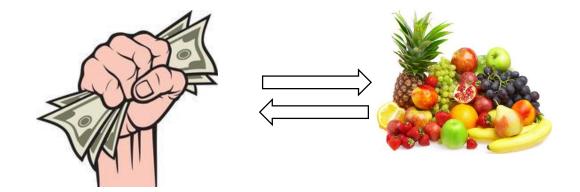


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Blockchain & Cryptocurrency: Evolution to Crypto — Contd. ERA-III (Paper Money—A Receipt)

- Banks were established and governments started to takeover producing a trusted system.
- Moving away from the need of carrying precious material.
- Introducing receipt (paper money of zero value) as a promise from the government (a proof that we have a certain amount against this.)







Blockchain & Cryptocurrency: Evolution to Crypto — Contd. ERA-IV (Records on Spreadsheet)

- No paper notes/ no coins/no objects exchange
- Online buying & Selling
- Making and moving entries from one account to another. (Debit/Credit of values between buyer & Seller)





Blockchain & Cryptocurrency: Evolution to Crypto — Contd. ERA-V (Cryptocurrency)

- Completely virtual
- No gold/no silver/no paper
- Transfer of digital assets (But the concept behind is similar)
- Just continuously manipulating spreadsheets.
 (Who has paid how much to whom)
- Instead of multiple banks, keeping their separate records, in crypto there is one really BIG sheet of all the transactions which have ever occurred (Ledger).
- So, why everyone is getting crazy about it? Move to next slide!!

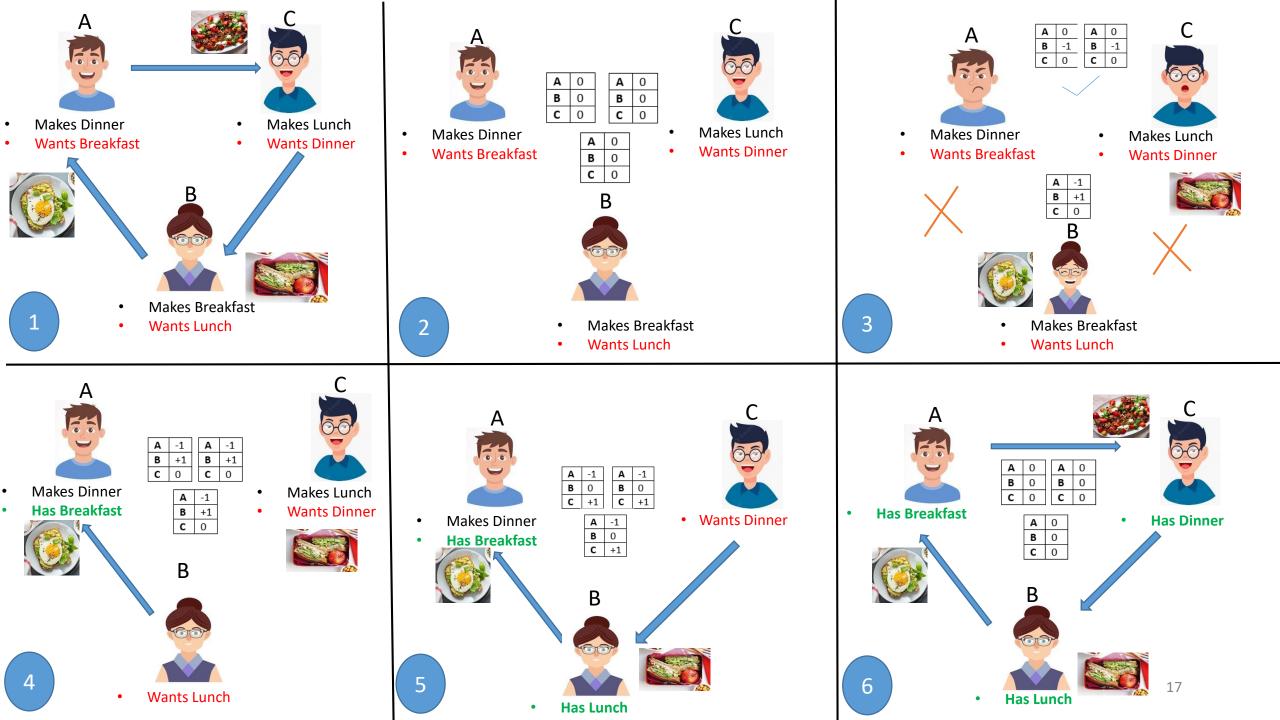












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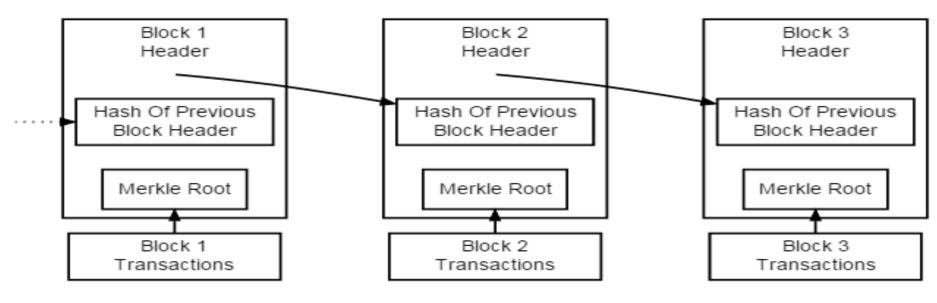
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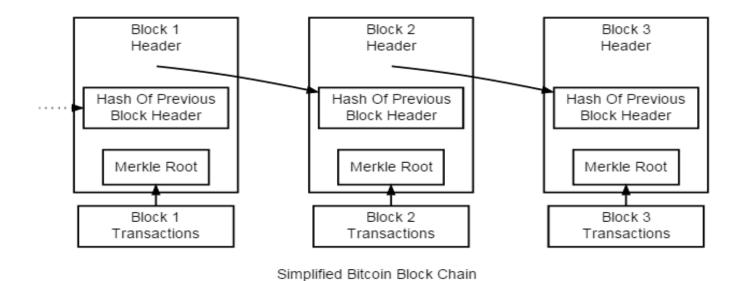
Blockchain—Core Concepts

- Data Structure
- Decentralized (Peer to Peer)
- Public ledger
- Immutable



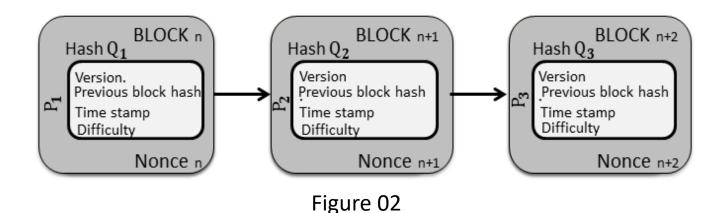


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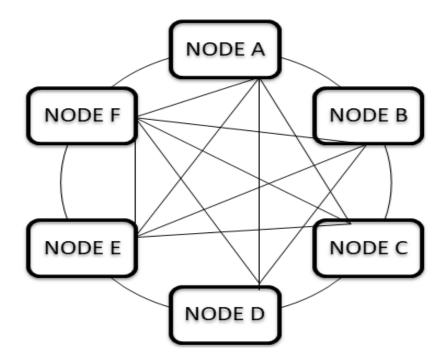
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- \triangleright Block 1 has the information of P_1 with the hash value of Q_1
- \triangleright Block 2 has the information of P_2 with the hash value of Q_2
- \triangleright Block 3 has the information of P_3 with the hash value of Q_3

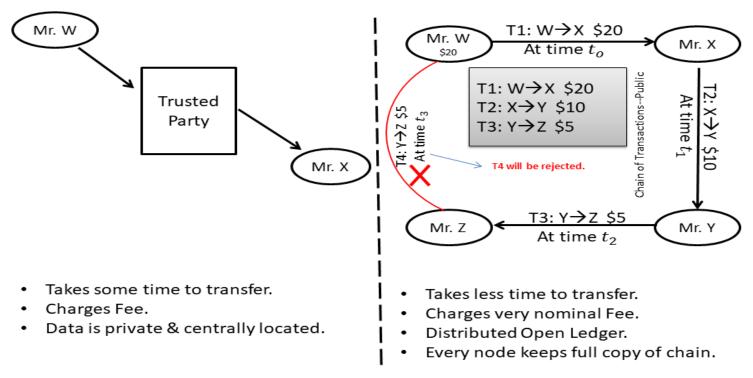


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- Data Structure
- Decentralized (Peer to Peer)
- Public ledger Money Transfer via Open Ledger
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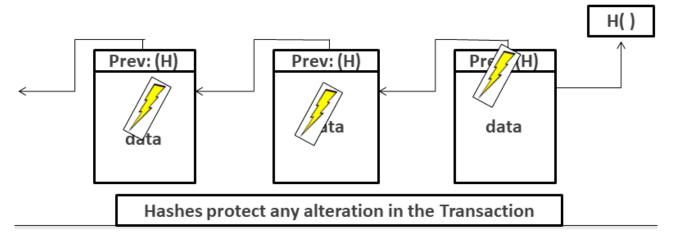


Figure 5: Centralised Vs Blockchain based Decentralized Distributed Public Ledger

Any tampering in the block is restricted by chaining the blocks through hashes.



Blockchain—Real World Applications

- Electronic Voting
- > Real State
- > Supply Chain Management
- ➤ Provenance Tracking



Blockchain—Clarifying Misconceptions

- Bitcoin is digital money.
- ➤ Blockchain is a technology which enables Bitcoin to move from one account to another securely.
- They are not same. But since Bitcoin has been the face of blockchain in the recent past, it would be good to build the fundamental concepts in the context of Bitcoin.
- Blockchain attempts to solve the problem of asset transfer.
- > Transactions traditionally occur through a trusted third party in blockchain.



Blockchain—Key Areas

- ➤ Learning Based Consensus Algorithm using Business Model Intelligence.
- Subscription Based Mining For Private Blockchain
- Collaborative Public Blockchain for Key Information Sharing
- Provenance Enabled Integrated Intelligent Algorithm for Attack Protection



Blockchain (NOT Bitcoin) in Banking—Asset Management

- Assets: Anything of value
- > Transactions: A complete activity from account to account
- ➤ Wallet Addresses: May be thought of as an account number
- Ledger: A large public spreadsheets contains transaction which have ever occurred.
- Use-Cases:
 - > P2P fund Transfer (Transfer of ownership for assets)
 - ➤ Blockchain in Remittance Payment (Use in Pakistan)
 - From Central Bank to Consumer Bank (State Bank Scenario)
- > Some Practical Demonstration/Implementation

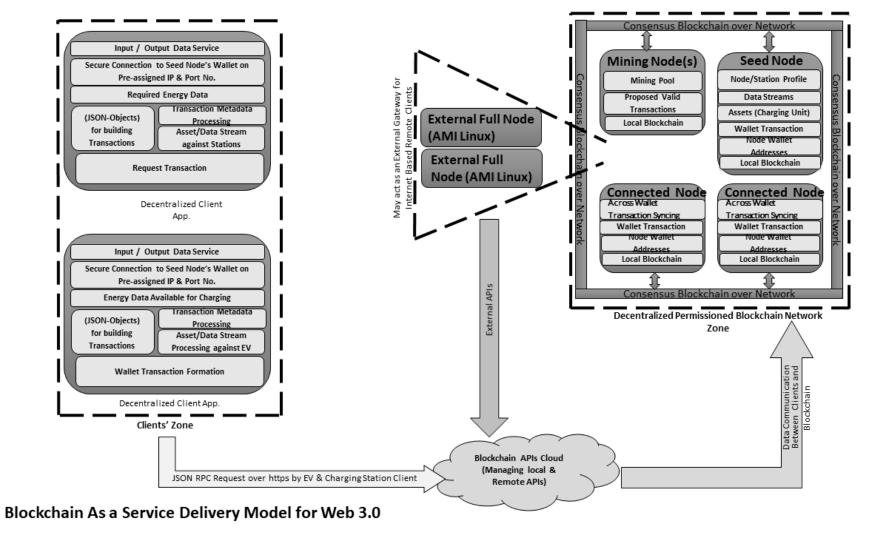


What is Next!

➤ API based DApps.



Our Proposal for Blockchain Based Consumer Banking



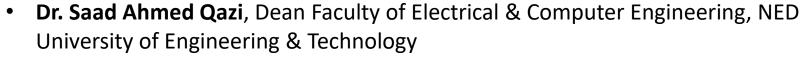


Q/A



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