

DATA PRIVACY

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PURPOSE OF TONIGHT'S TALK

- Explore the question, “What is data privacy?”
- Gain understanding of emerging technologies addressing data privacy which are being developed by the **Linux Foundation Hyperledger Indy** and **Aries** projects.
- Suggest aspects of data privacy that could be explored in a future session.

DATA PRIVACY INCURSIONS MAKE HEADLINE NEWS

- 2017 Equifax hack puts 145.5 million people at risk for identity theft.
- Facebook involvement in 2016 presidential election investigated by Congress.

**WHEN YOU HEAR DATA PRIVACY,
WHAT COMES TO MIND?**

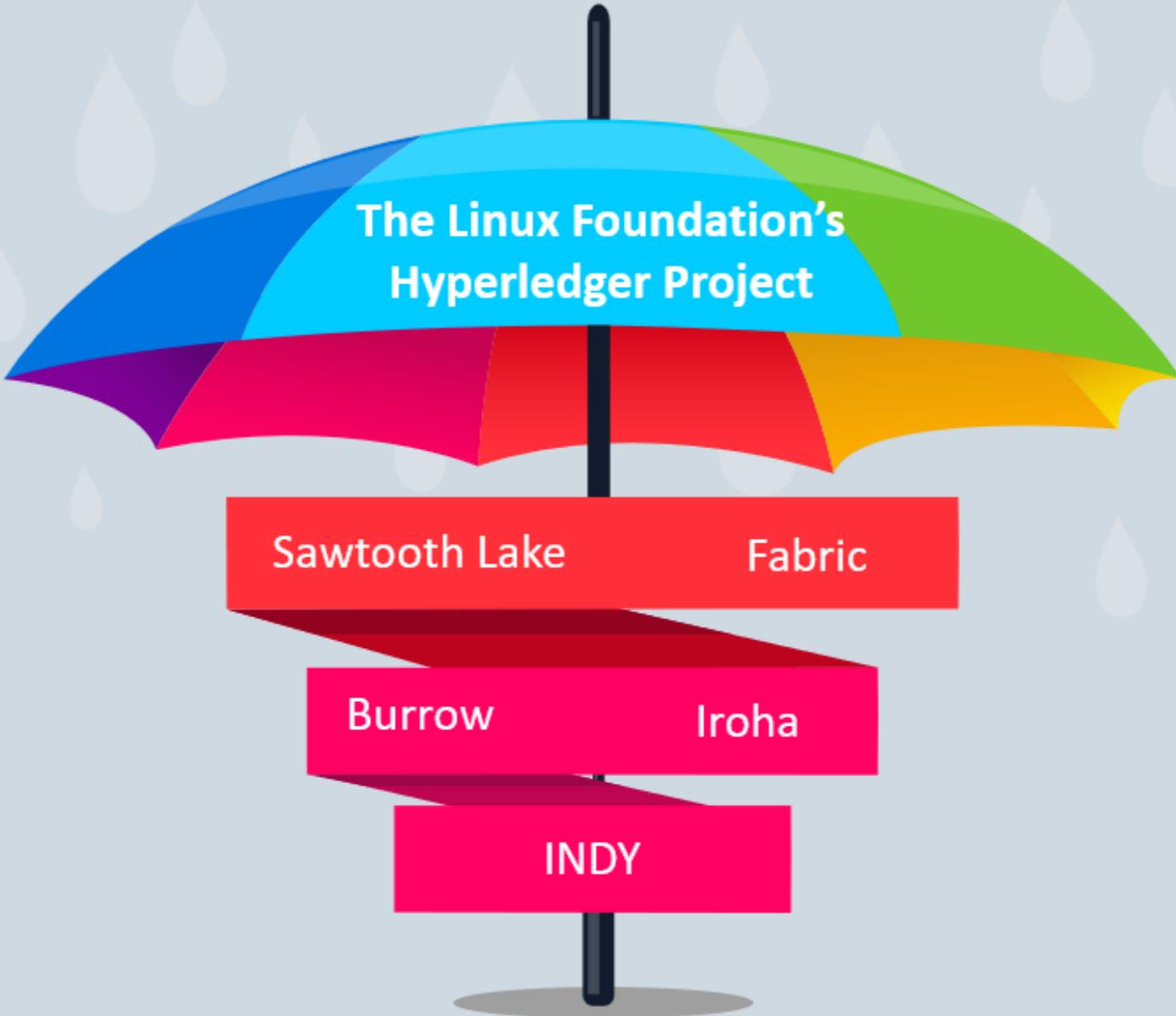
"Every century or so, fundamental changes in the nature of consumption create new demand patterns that existing enterprises can't meet."

~ *Shoshana Zuboff, author of
"The Age of Surveillance Capitalism"*

WE'RE IN A TIME OF FUNDAMENTAL CHANGE...

- Behavioral data is a commodity to be mined, bought, and sold for the purpose of predicting and influencing future behavior of individual people.
- Previously assumed privacy boundaries no longer exist and we are being acclimated to the loss.
- Just as totalitarianism was something totally new in the 1920's, **surveillance capitalism** is something new and never before seen.

LET'S TALK TECHNOLOGY...



HYPERLEDGER UMBRELLA

BLOCKCHAIN-RELATED PROJECTS



DATA PRIVACY: INTERTWINING TECHNOLOGY REALMS

- Identity Management
- Privacy by encryption
- Communications
- Data aggregation
(avoidance thereof)



CURRENT SITUATION WITH CENTRALIZED IDENTITY MANAGEMENT

- Identity data is stored in centralized silos making prime targets for hackers.
- Username/password authentication is a huge hassle for users and easy to hack.
- Authentication (OAUTH) through Facebook, Google, Microsoft, etc. facilitates aggregation of personal data.



PRIVACY

REQUIRES ENCRYPTED DATA EXCHANGES OVER THE WIRE AND ENCRYPTED STORAGE AT THE ENDPOINTS

COMMUNICATIONS

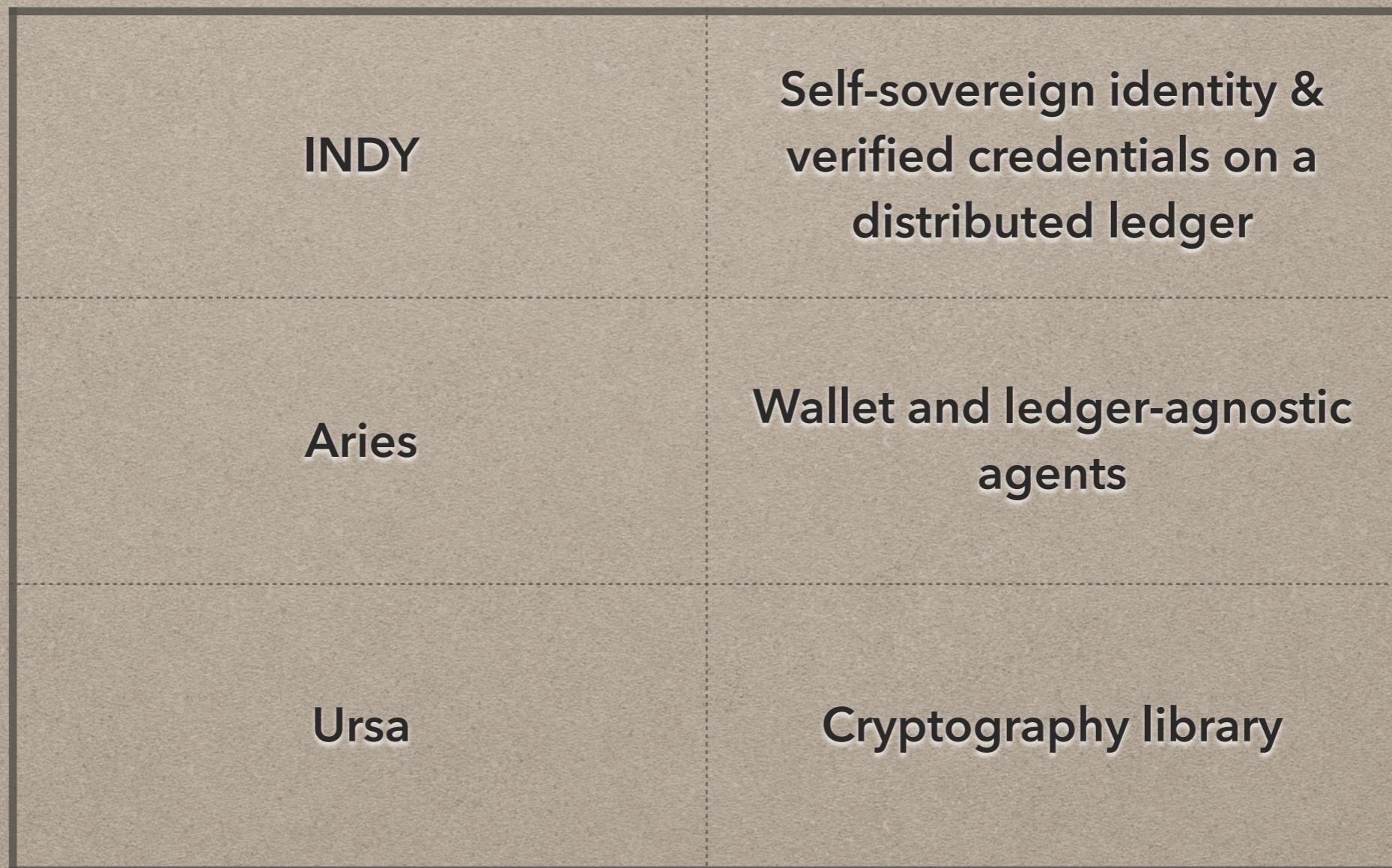
- Phone/text
- Email
- Search and web browsing
- **Messaging ← Hyperledger Aries addresses**

AGGREGATION OF PERSONAL DATA: YOUR DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

- Social Media
- Email
- Searches
- Location services
- Purchases
- All digital interactions...



PRIVACY TECHNOLOGIES ADDRESSED BY HYPERLEDGER INDY, ARIES, URSA





CURRENT MODEL OF IDENTITY



SELF-SOVEREIGN IDENTITY

CENTRALIZED VERSUS DECENTRALIZED
 WITH SELF-SOVEREIGN IDENTITY (SSI), YOU
 OWN AND CONTROL YOUR CREDENTIALS.

THE SOLUTION: SELF-SOVEREIGN IDENTITY (SSI)

- A person owns his/her own identity credentials in a digital wallet. No identity silo to hack!
- Exchanges of credentials are encrypted with keys specific to the relationship for privacy.
- Communications are not correlatable to a legal identity. This stops data aggregation.

WHAT IS A CREDENTIAL?

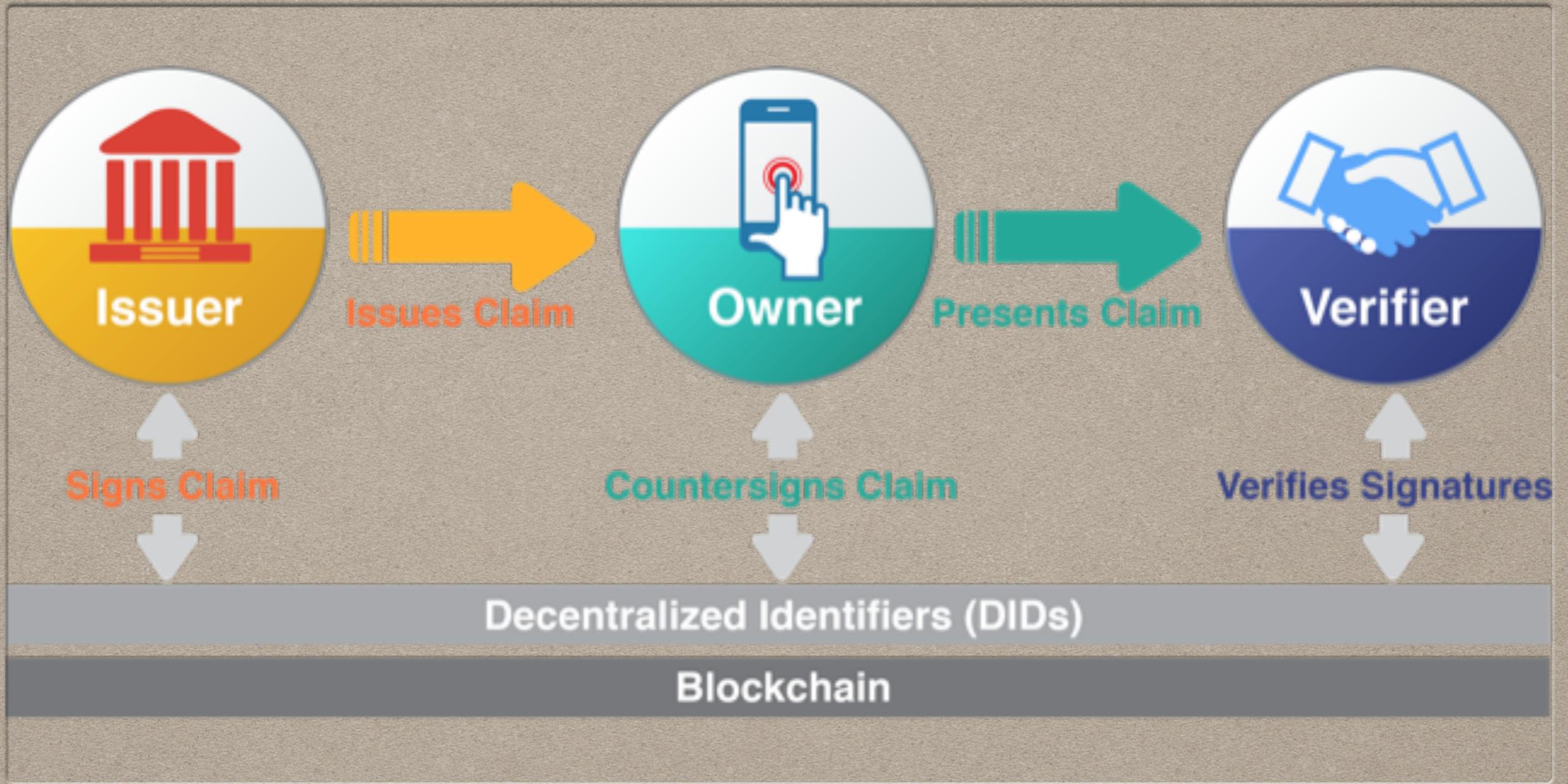
- Drivers license
- Passport
- Diploma
- Proof of employment
- Proof of something like age ≥ 20
- Etc.





DIGITAL WALLET

HOLDS VERIFIED CREDENTIALS AND MORE...

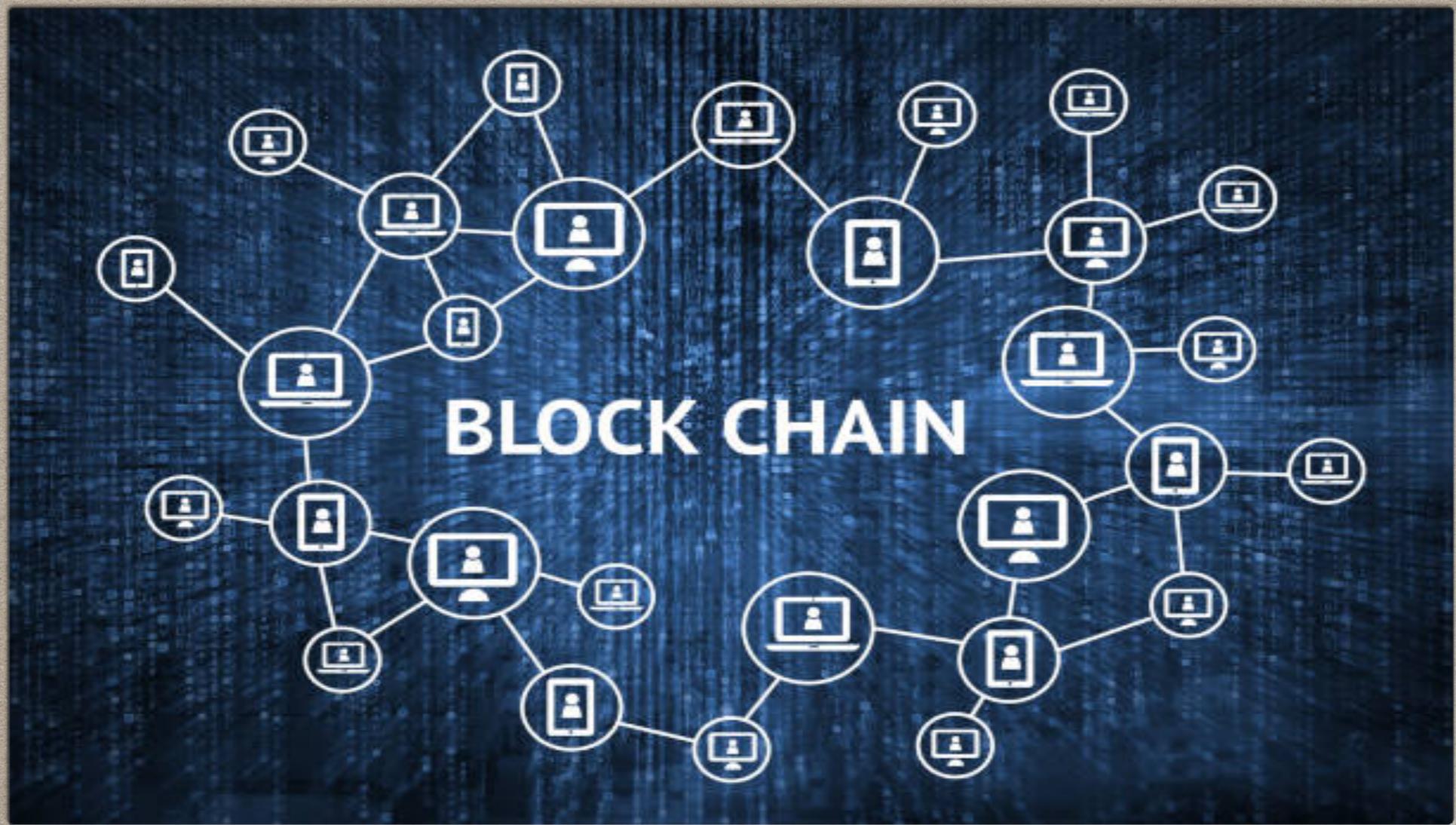


VERIFIED CREDENTIALS

- Credential owner reveals only the information needed by the verifier.
- Issuers can revoke credentials.

BLOCKCHAIN

A DISTRIBUTED LEDGER
EXAMPLE IS BITCOIN



DISTRIBUTED IDENTIFIER (DID)

A globally unique **identifier** registered with a **distributed** ledger technology.



Decentralized Identifier (DID)

Format: "did:" + <method> + ":" <method-specific identifier>

Example: did:sov:4e6cf0ed2d8bbf1fbfc9f2a100 address on a ledger



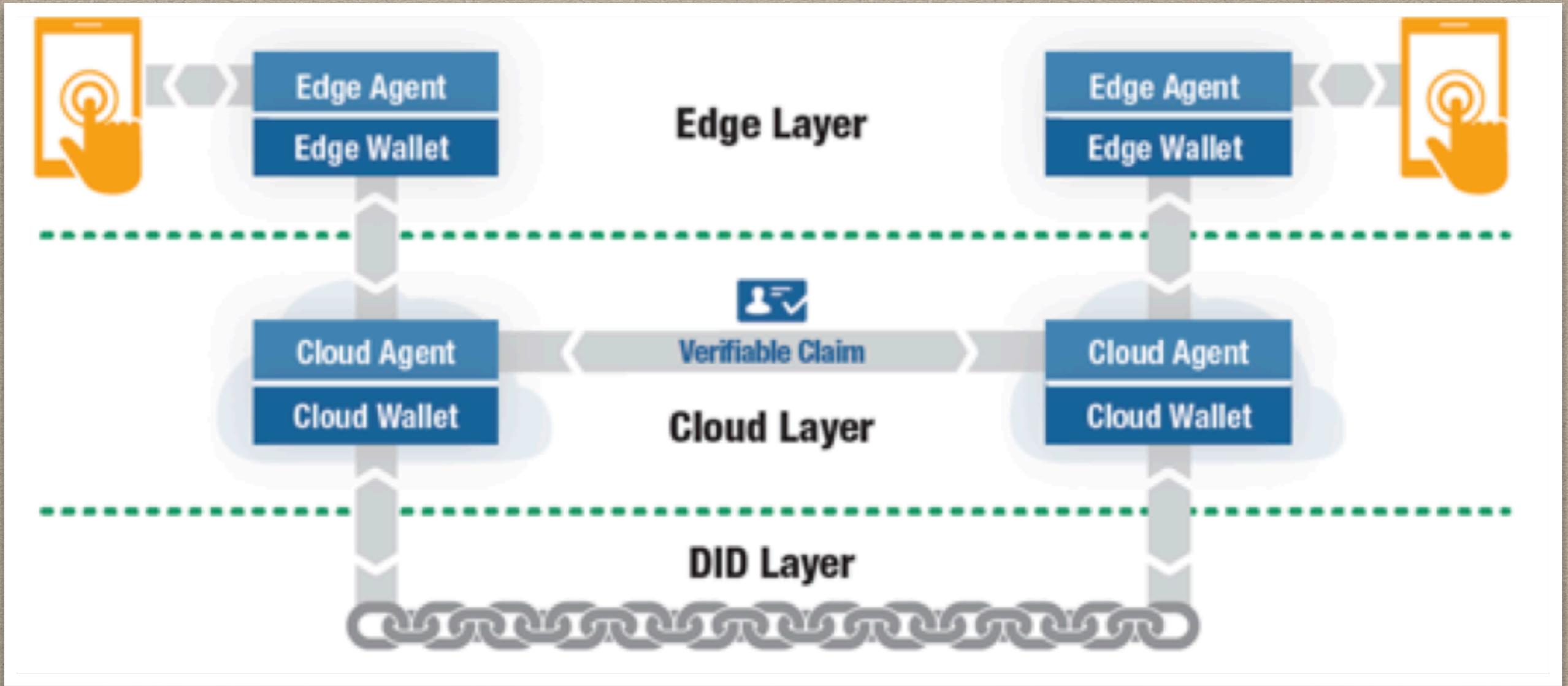
private key in a digital wallet

a5911424795c9bb5b5cb81458a41ac92
fb9d9348fdb78588b927065e75958a79

public key on a distributed ledger

ARIES WALLET DIGITAL WALLET HOLDS:

- Verified Credentials
- Pairwise DID credentials for logins
- Relationship pairwise DID credentials for private communications
- May be expanded in the future



AGENT-TO-AGENT COMMUNICATIONS

ENCRYPTION KEYS BELONG TO ONLY ONE
RELATIONSHIP

RECAP

- Self-sovereign identity is distributed identity management where each person stores his/her digital identities in a digital wallet.
- Verified credentials replace paper-based credentials such as diplomas, drivers license, passport, etc.
- PairwiseDID communications provide secure communications with encryption keys unique to the relationship.

LOOKING BACK TO OUR EARLIER BRAINSTORMING:

WHICH OF THE **DATA PRIVACY** CONCERNS ARE
ADDRESSED BY THE HYPERLEDGER INDY, ARIES,
URSA PROJECTS?

WHICH CONCERN HAVE NOT BEEN ADDRESSED?

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

- The Sovrin Foundation at <https://sovrin.org/>
- The Linux Foundation Hyperledger Indy Project at
<https://www.hyperledger.org/projects/hyperledger-indy>
- The Linux Foundation Hyperledger Aries Project at
<https://www.hyperledger.org/projects/aries>
- “The Age of Surveillance Capitalism: the Fight for the Future at the New Frontier of Power”, Shoshana Zuboff

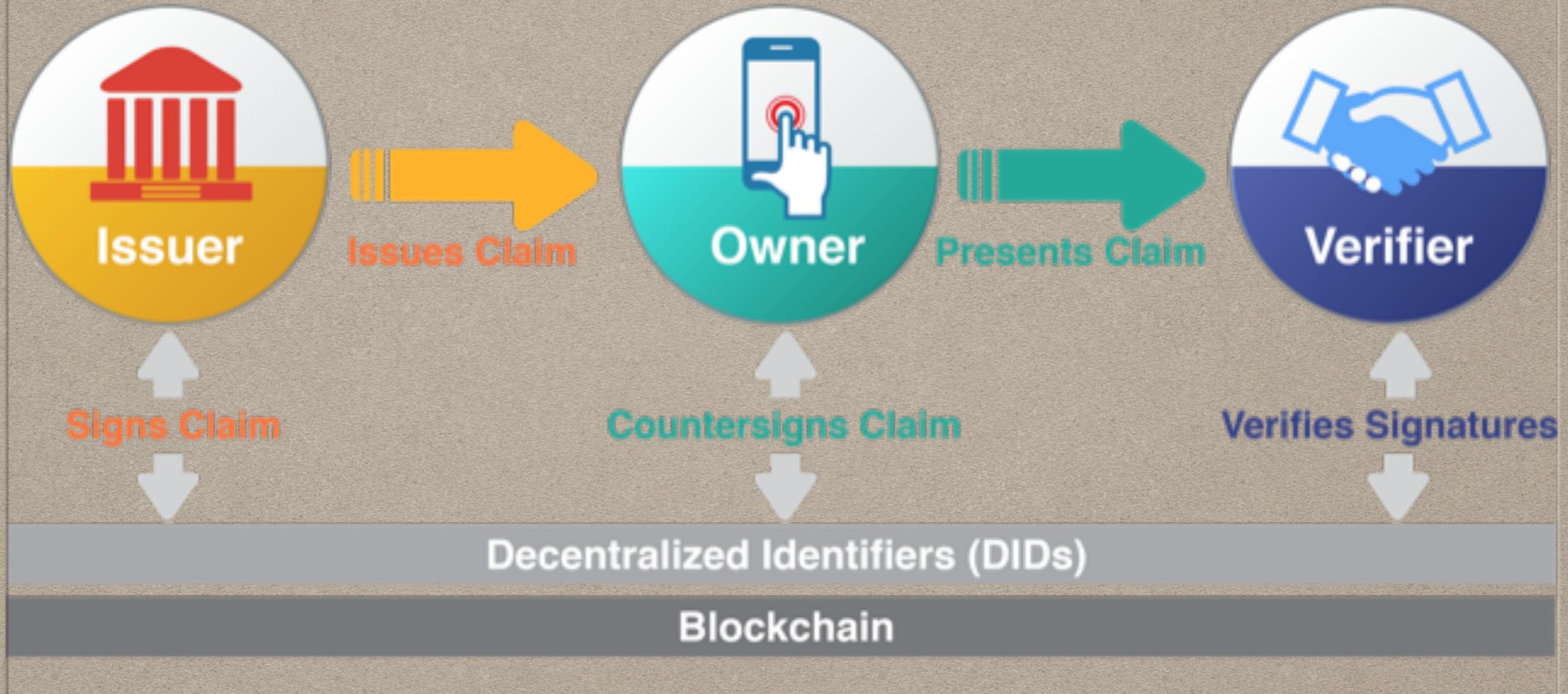
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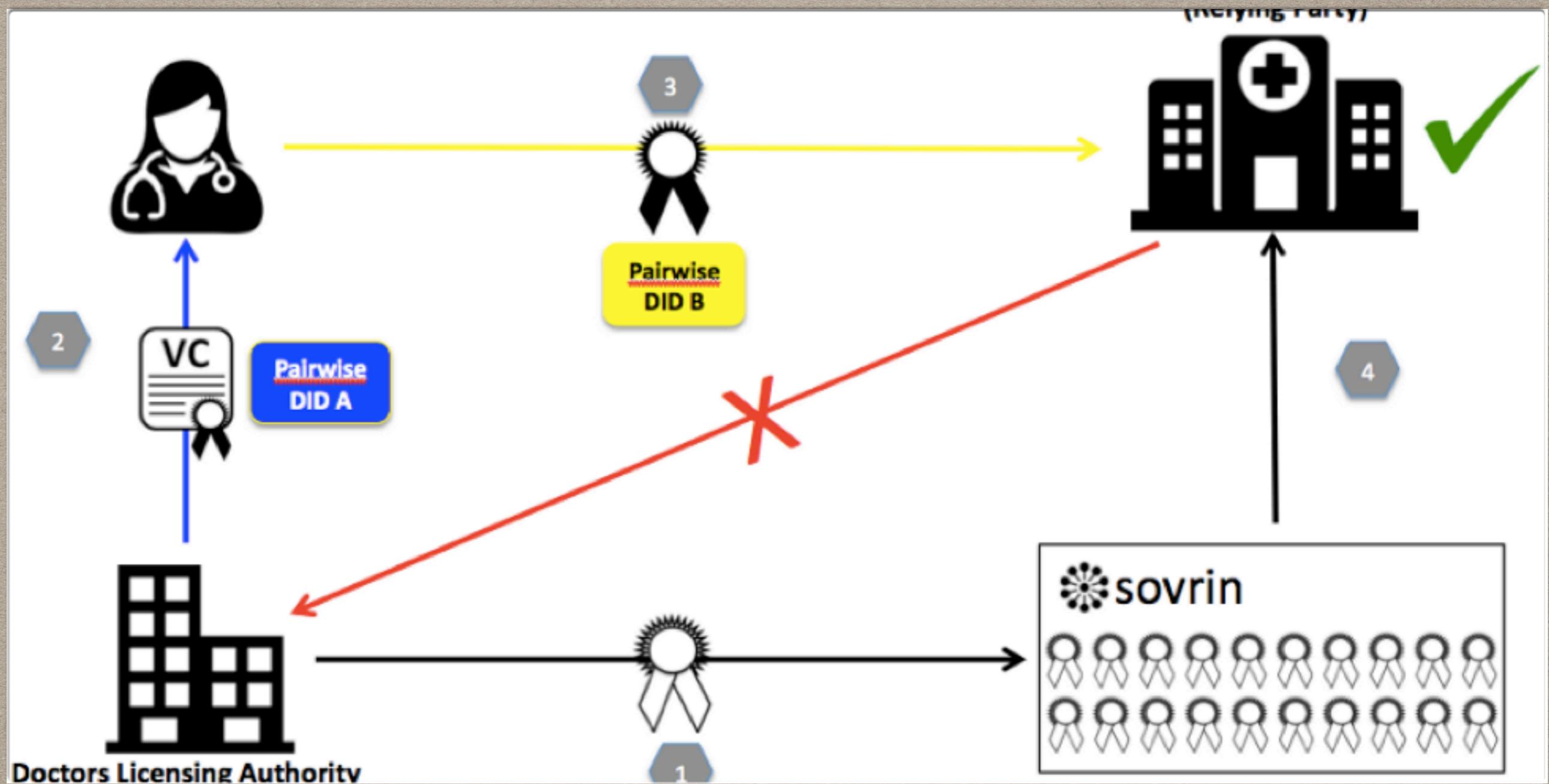
Decentralized self-sovereign identity management will solve the problems we're having with:

- Existing centralized identity management
- Privacy
- Aggregation of personal data

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- Evernym at <https://www.evernym.com/>
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EXCHANGE OF VERIFIED CREDENTIALS USING WALLETS AND PAIRWISE DID

Issuer



Wallet
(Web-based)



Ledger
(Blockchain)



Verifier