10-minutes talk

Paypal Mafia

Network Science in Investment





Wikipedia entry

The "PayPal Mafia" is a group of former PayPal employees and founders who have since founded and developed additional technology companies such as Tesla, Inc., LinkedIn, Palantir Technologies, SpaceX, Affirm, Slide, Kiva, YouTube, Yelp, and Yammer. Most of the members attended Stanford University or University of Illinois at *Urbana–Champaign* at some point in their studies.









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The "PayPal Mafia"

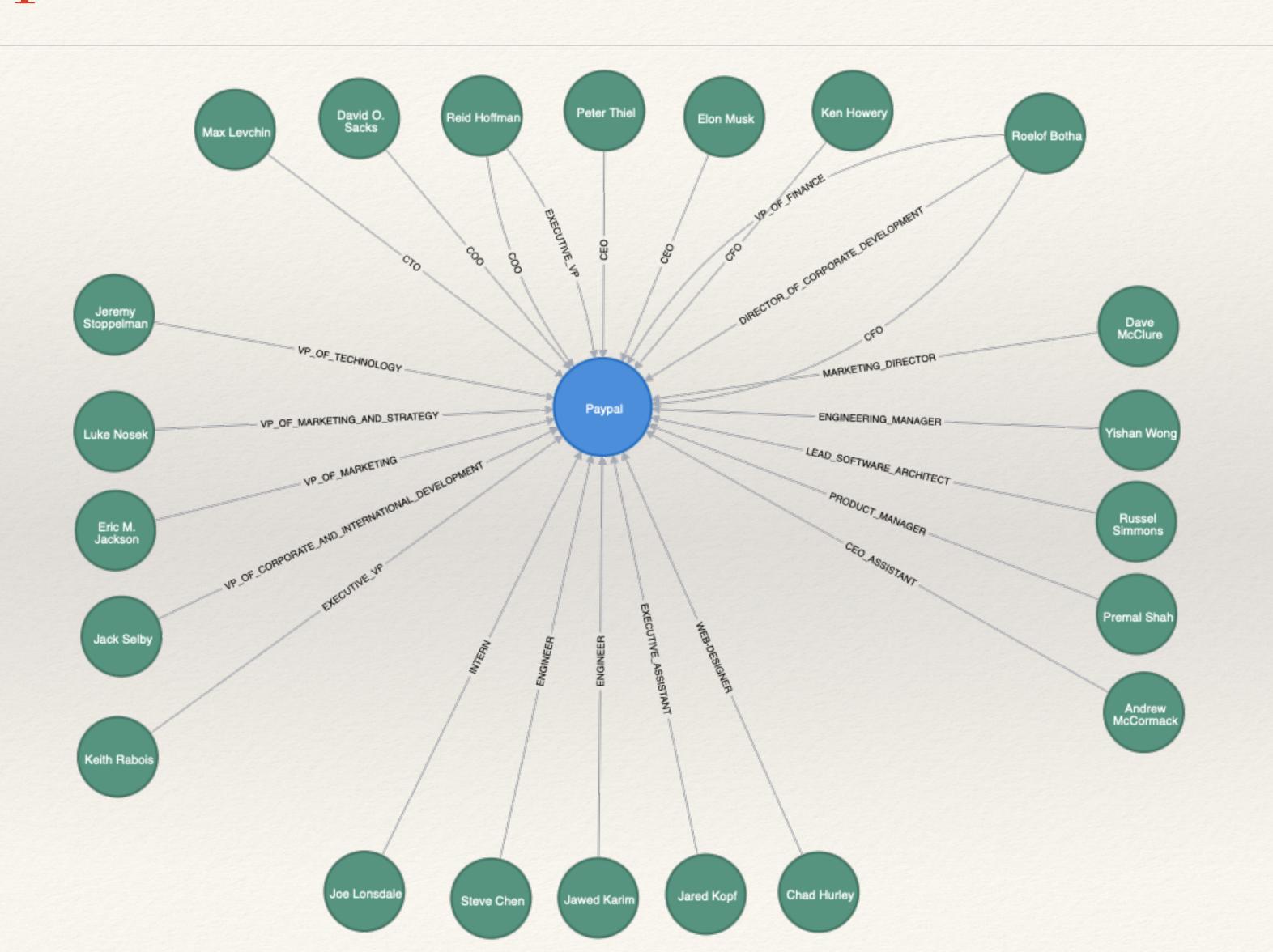


Credit: Robyn Twomey for Fortune Magazine

Members of the PayPal Mafia on Fortune magazine dressed in mafia-like attire. From left to right, top to bottom: Jawed Karim, Jeremy Stoppelman, Andrew McCormack, Premal Shah, Luke Nosek, Ken Howery, David O. Sacks, Peter Thiel, Keith Rabois, Reid Hoffman, Max Levchin, Roelof Botha, Russel Simmons. Elon Musk was not able to make the photoshoot due to a scheduling conflict but had an individual shot taken for the profile.

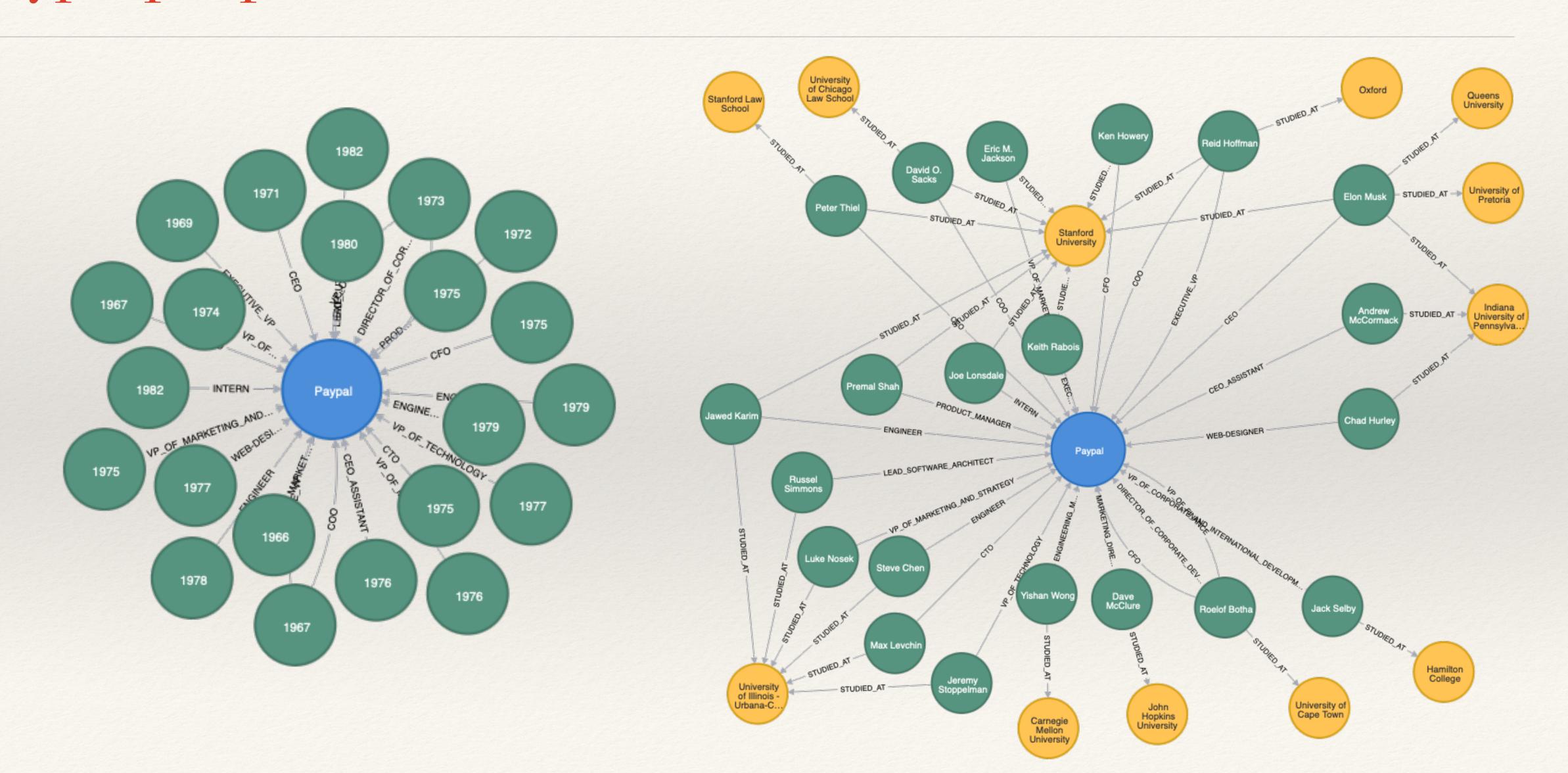
Paypal people

CEO, CFO, CTO, COO, VP, Directors, Managers, Engineers, Designers, ...

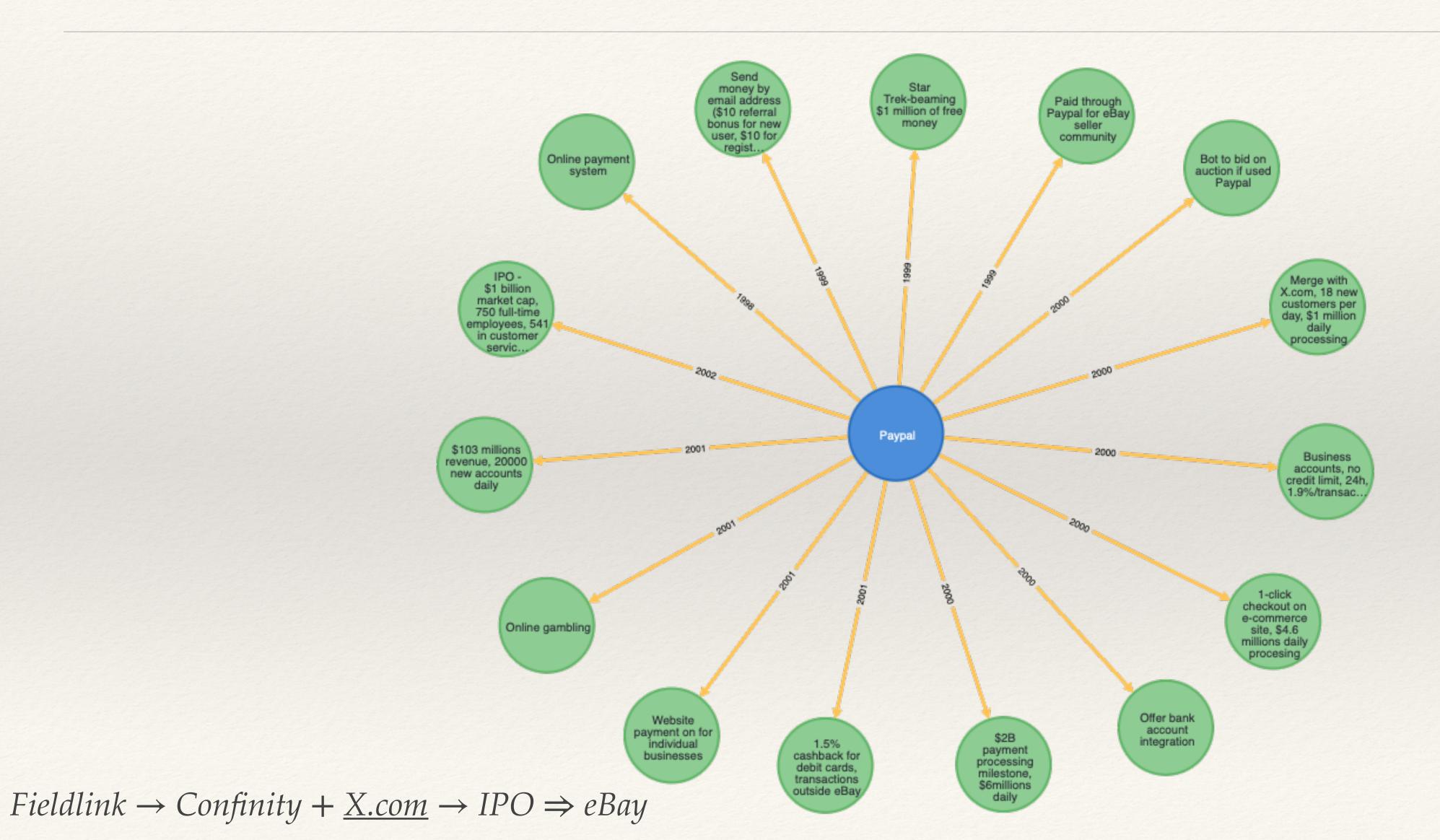


Paypal people

Stanford University, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Indiana University of Pennsylvania

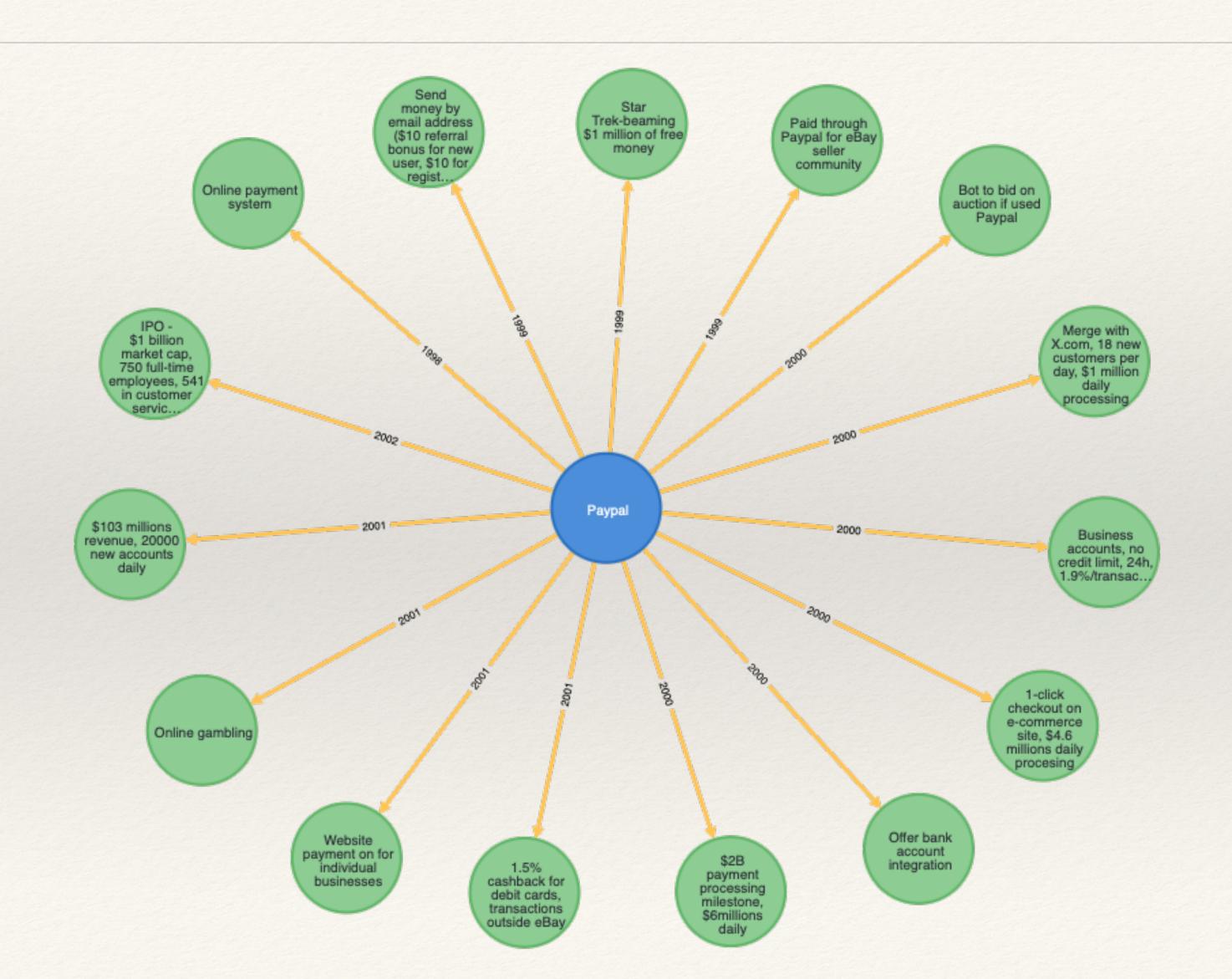


Paypal as the financial operating system of the world

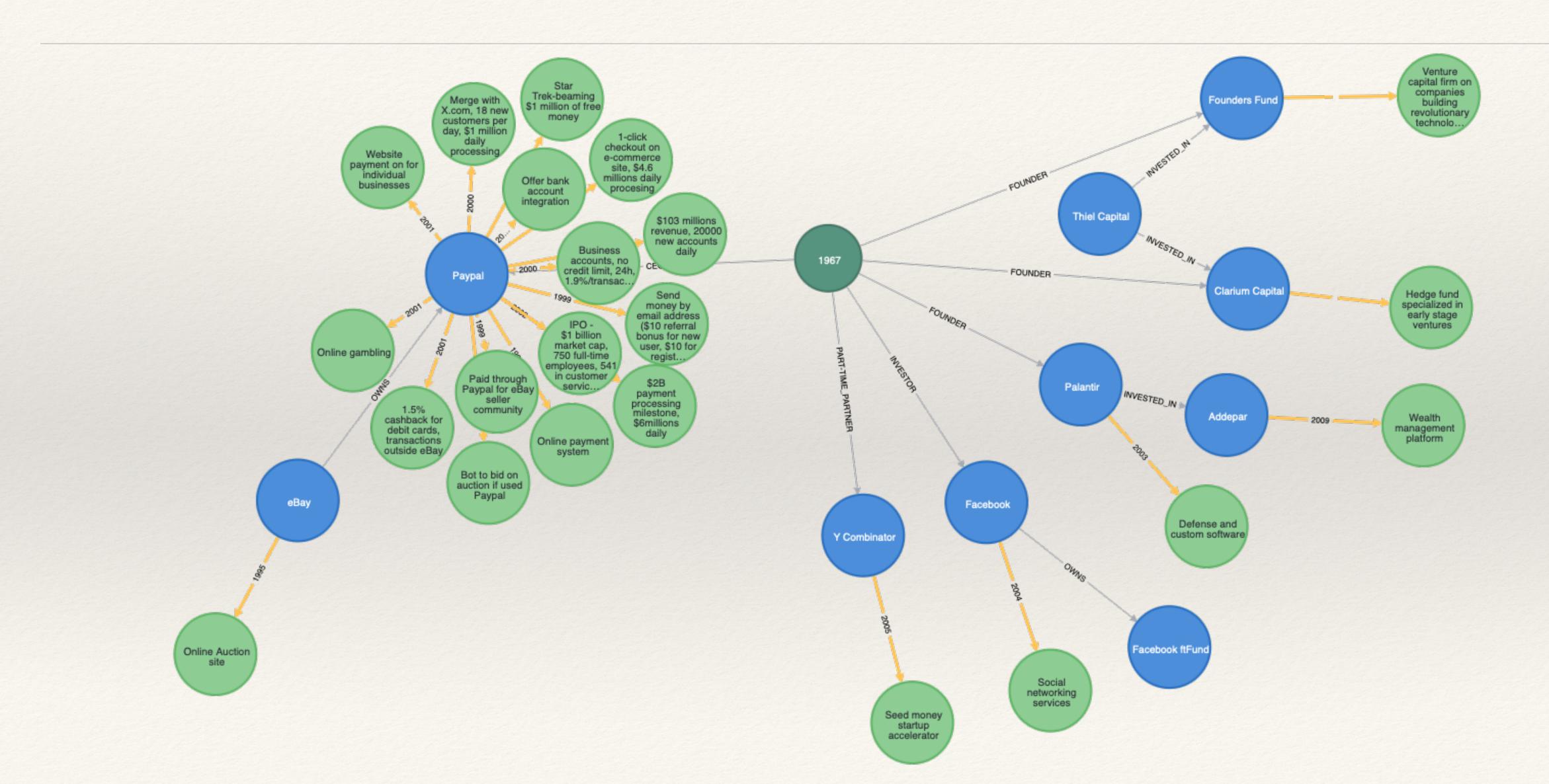


At Paypal

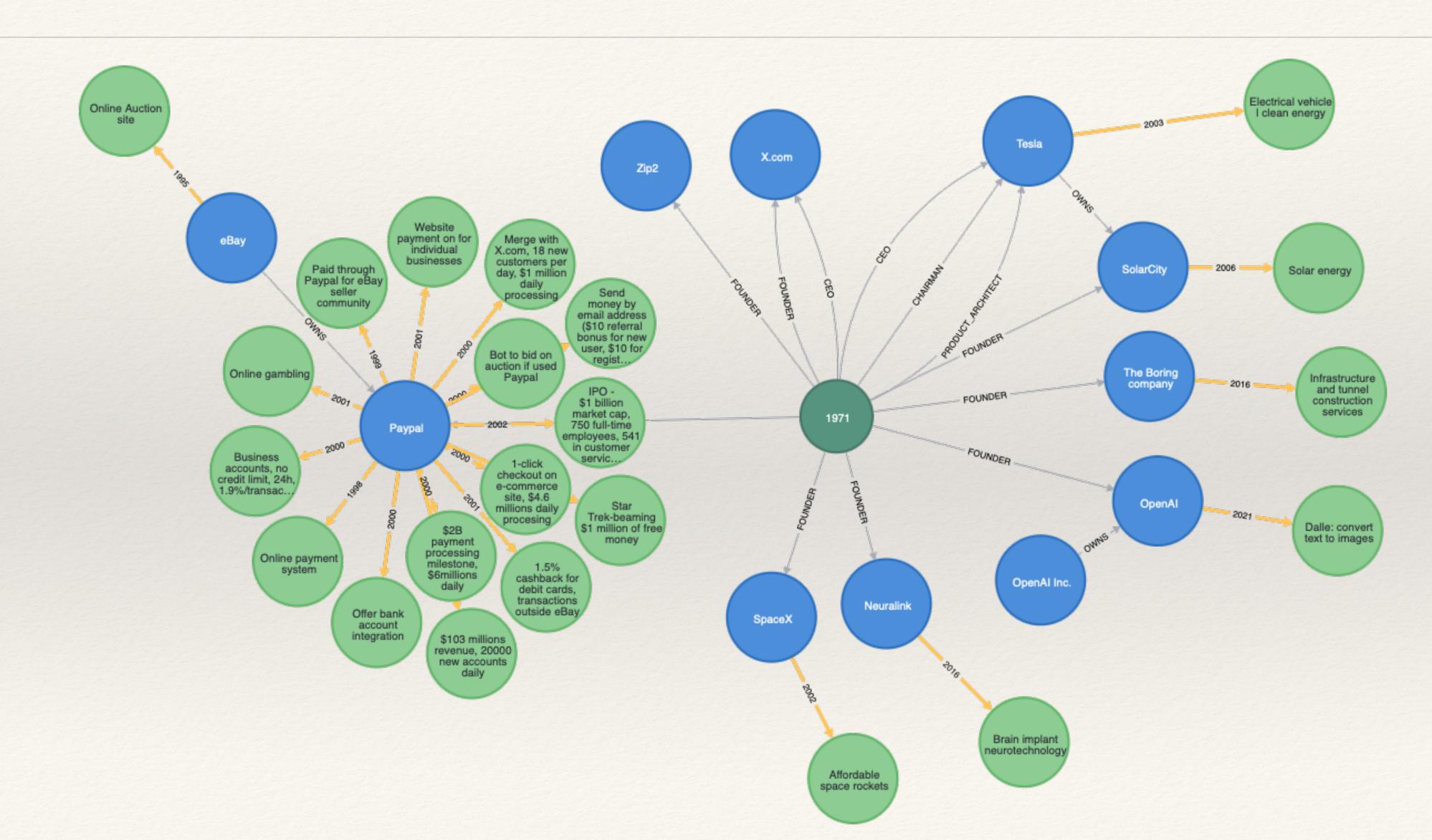
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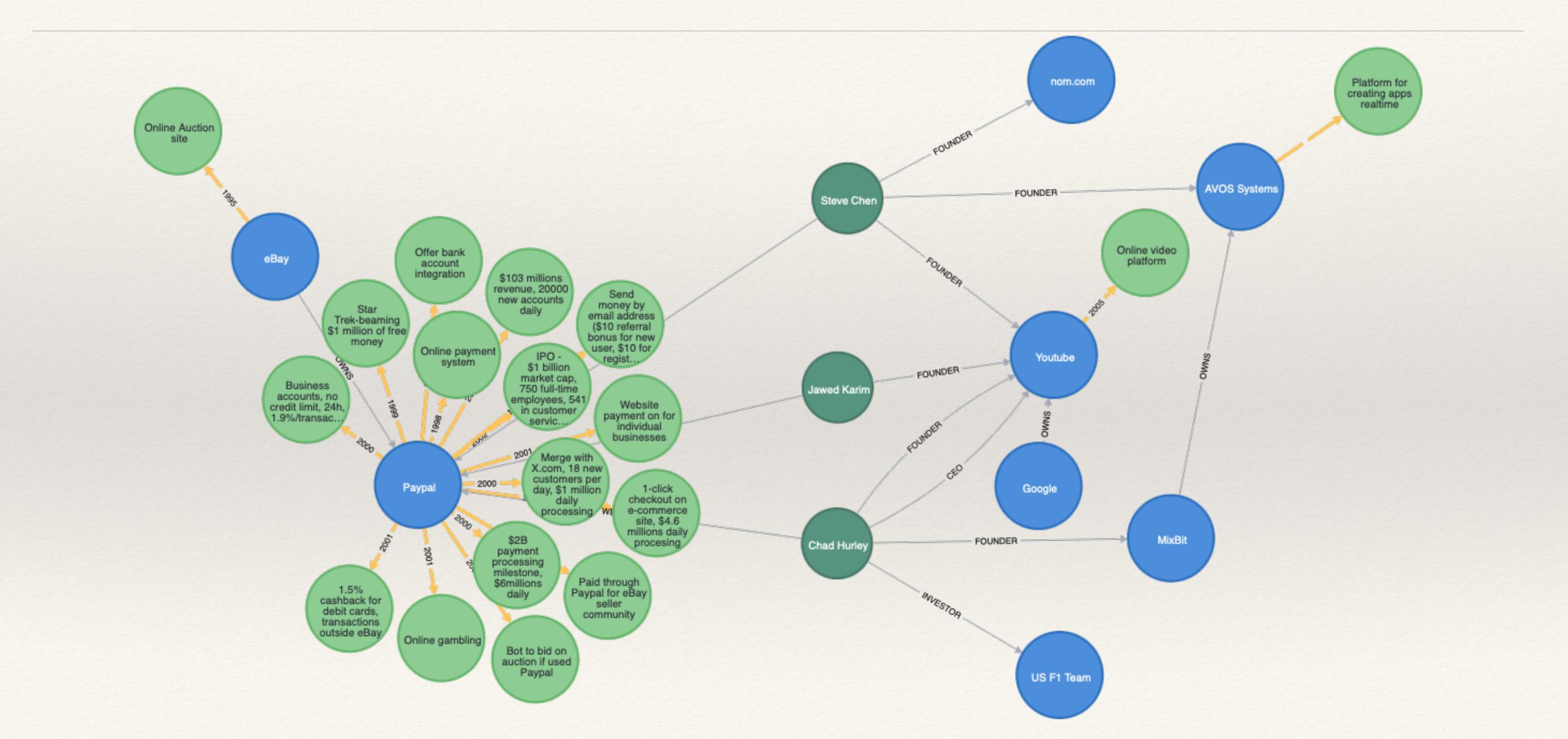
Peter Thiel

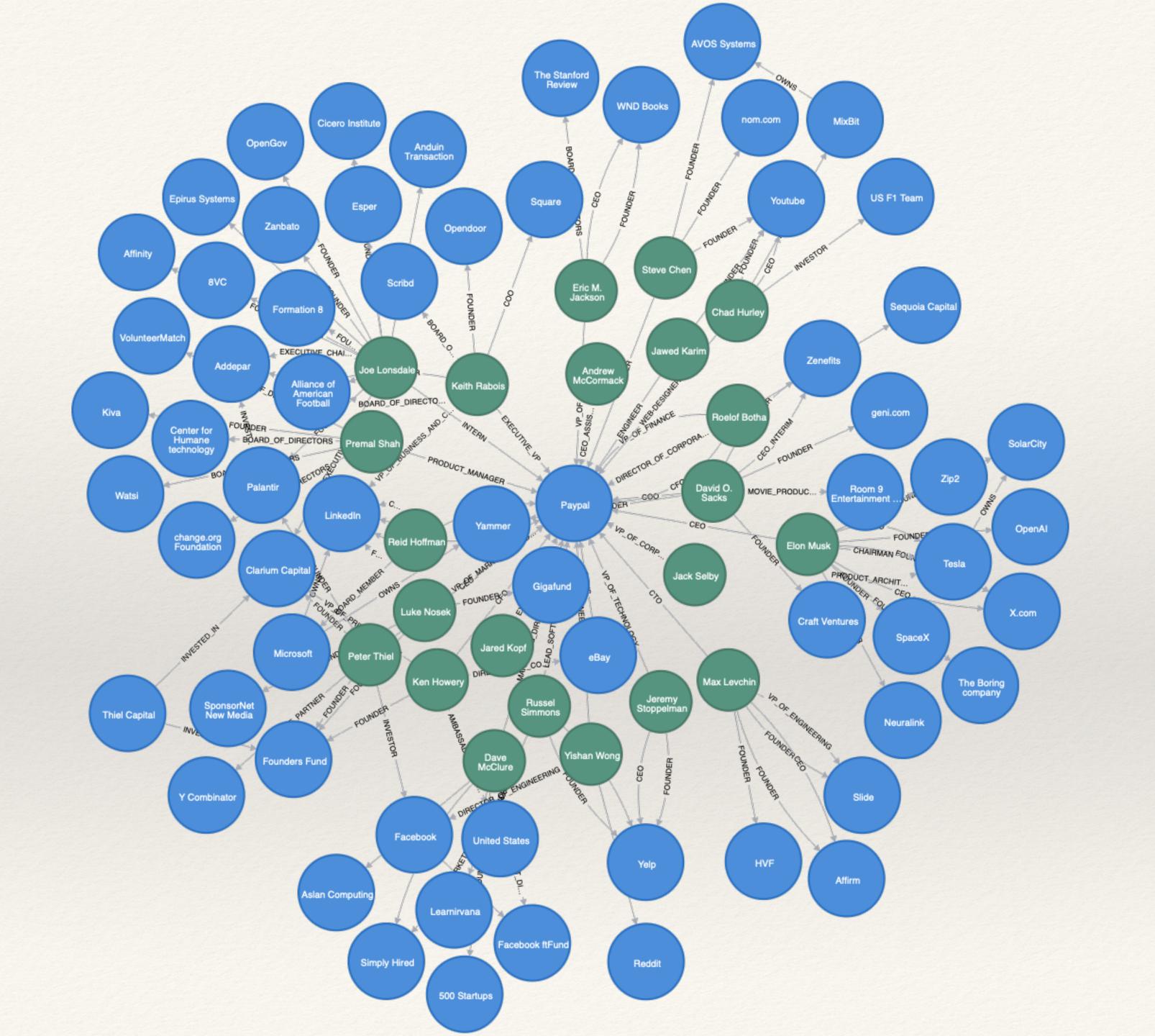


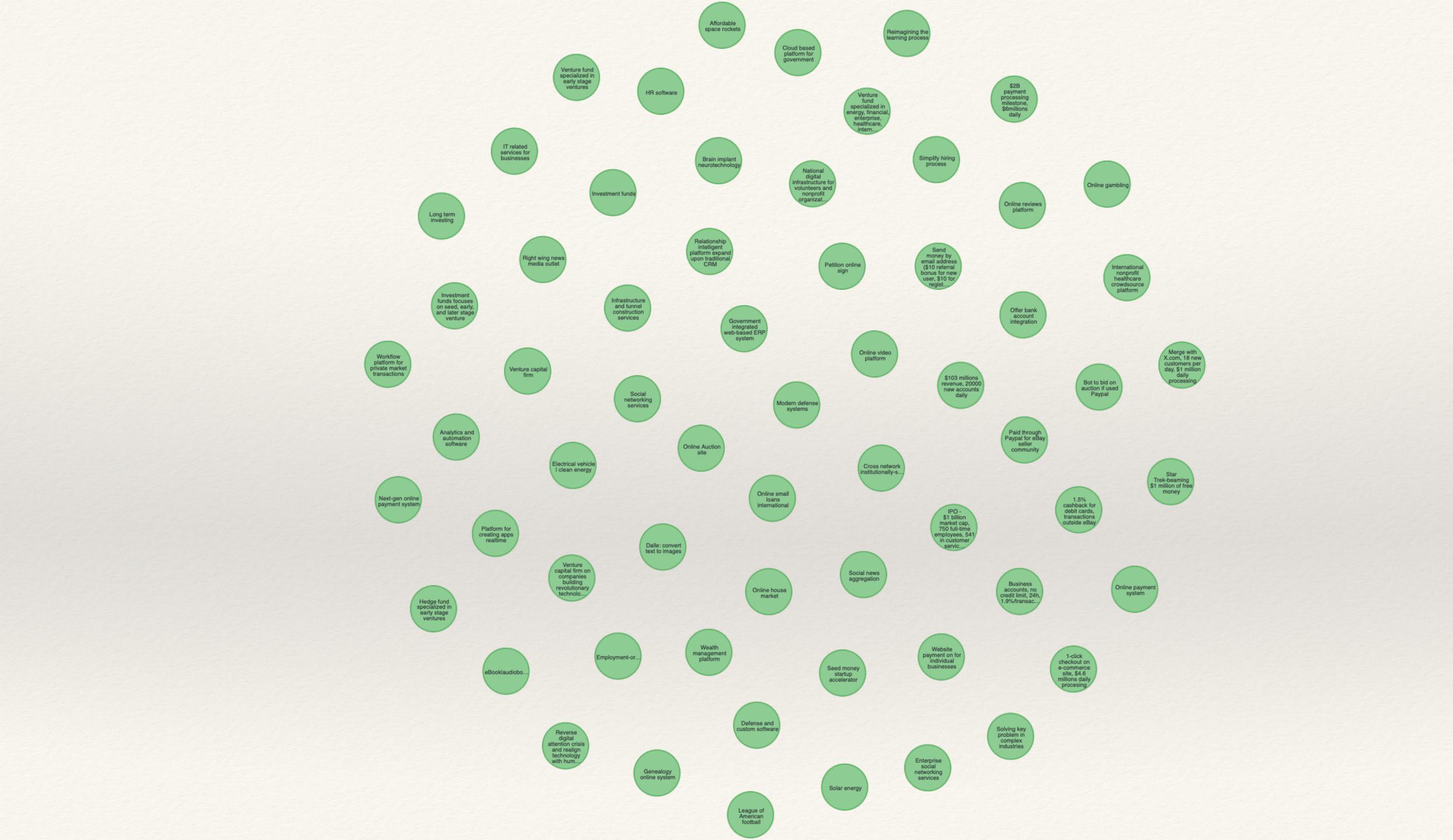
Elon Musk



Steve Chen, Chad Hurley, Jawed Karim







Thank you!