

BLAST

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Blockchain Assisted Transparency:

Efficient certification of data
continuity through public history



Presentation roadmap

- The problem
 - The approach
 - Transparency Layer
 - Some problems of a single layer approach
 - Blockchain Layer
 - Properties recap
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- Hackathon implementation

The problem

Dealing with (big) data means dealing with:

- Volume
- Variety
- Velocity and dynamicity

How to get for all the data guarantees as:

- Linearity
- Inclusion
- Timestamping

Without
spending billions
of dollars/euros

The approach



Transparency Layer (1): The context

(I) Define the context:

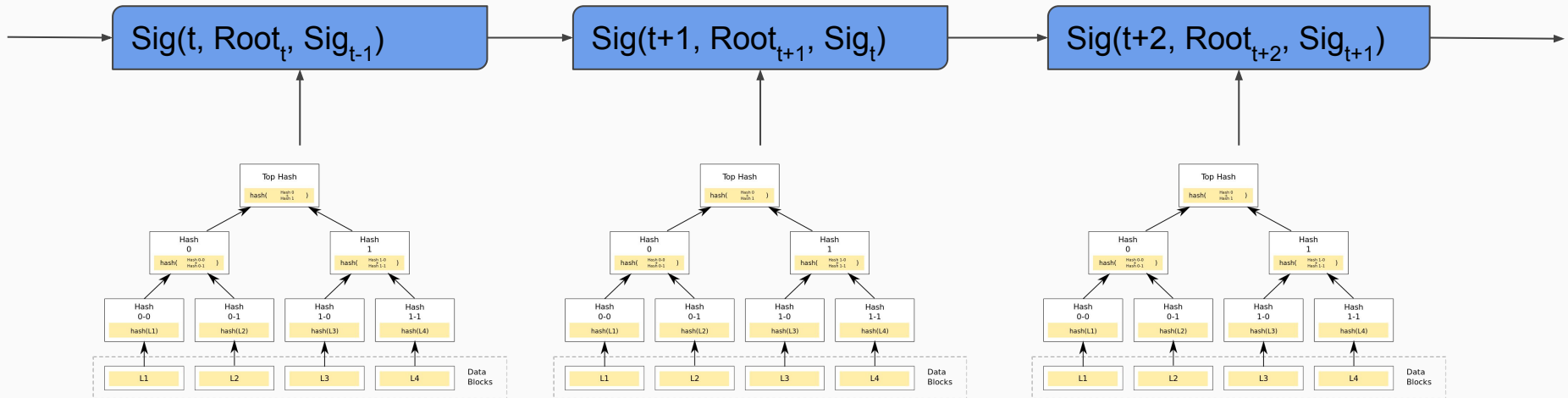
- Google Key Transparency (ID,PublicKeys pairs)
- Progress of personal career (academic, working)
- Disaster Recovery (backup history certification)
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(II) Identify the representative of the context (similar to OTS Calendar server):

- He is the one in charge of the transparency layer
- He acts as a data collector

Transparency Layer (2): Data Structure

Key components: Merkle Tree, Discrete time axis, Linear history of Merkle Trees



Everything seems good...

What's the problem?

Equivocation

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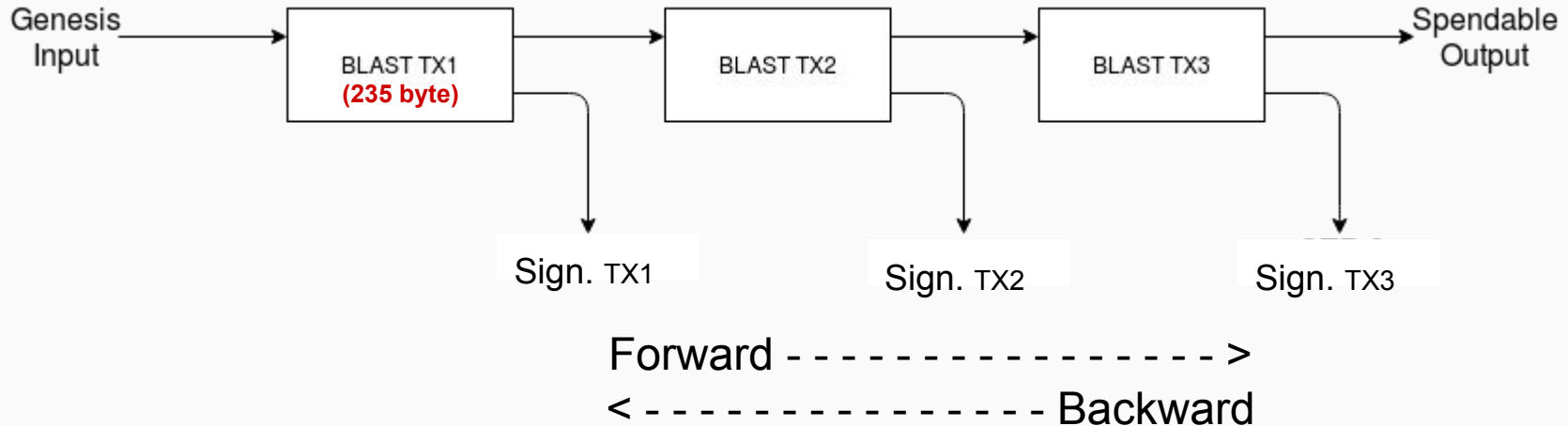
Who guarantees linearity?

What about a parallel history?

Anyone here that cares about timestamping?

The Blockchain can do all of these

Blockchain layer



Equivocation: as hard as hard-forking

Properties Recap: No layer lock-in

Transparency Layer



- Google Key Transparency
- OpenTimestamp

Blockchain Layer



- Bitcoin
- Ethereum
- Litecoin

Hackathon implementation

Transparency Layer



Basic
Merkle-Tree

Blockchain Layer



Full BLAST
transaction at
each epoch

Thanks for the attention

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