Freechains











peer-to-peer content dissemination

Content

- E-mails
- Social media posts
- Webpages, Blogs
- News
- Forums, Mailing lists
- Media streaming
- Instant Messages, Chat
- Teleconference
- Cloud Storage
- Services (delivery, auction)

Dissemination

- $1 \rightarrow N$ (news)
- 1 ← N (feedback)
- 1 ↔ 1 (e-mail)
- $\mathbb{N} \leftrightarrow \mathbb{N}$ (forums)
- 1 ← (backup)

Peer to Peer

- No central server
- No central authority
- No need to trust

Internet Today

- Very few companies
 - Control our public data
 - Collect our private data
 - Decide what we consume
 - "The algorithms"
 - Demand connectivity
 - "Cloud Services"
 - Impose entry barriers
 - "Vendor lock-in"







The Big Five "FAAMG"





Internet Today

- Centralization
 - Data
 - Infrastructure
 - Power







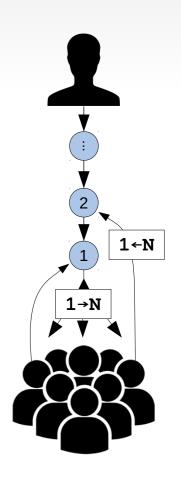
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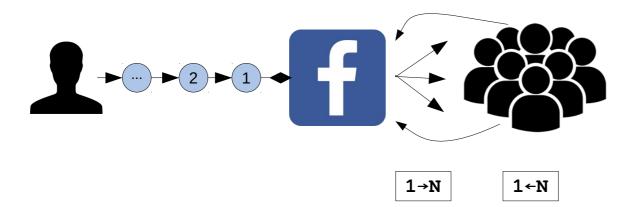
What we really need? (communication patterns)

- Public identity
 - **1→N**: feed, streaming, news, repository, website
 - **1←N**: comments/feedback, private message
- Private channel
 - **1↔1**: *IM*, *e*-mail
 - **N**↔**N**: closed groups, shared files
 - **1** ←: backup, documents
- Public forums
 - **N**↔**N**: forums, chat, trading



Centralized

- Public identity
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- Identity proxy
- Presence and availability
- Content delivery
- Adequate ads
- Control over fake/illegal

Can we decentralize?

- Availability
 - Participants are able to exchange messages
- Integrity, Authenticity, Confidentiality
 - Contents of messages are not altered
 - Senders can be verified and cannot be repudiated
 - Sensitive contents are kept secret
- Consensus
 - Participants agree on the existence and order of messages
- Fairness
 - Participants have equal opportunities to communicate
- Quality
 - Important messages are praised (and vice versa)
 - (excess, SPAM, fake, abuse, illegal)

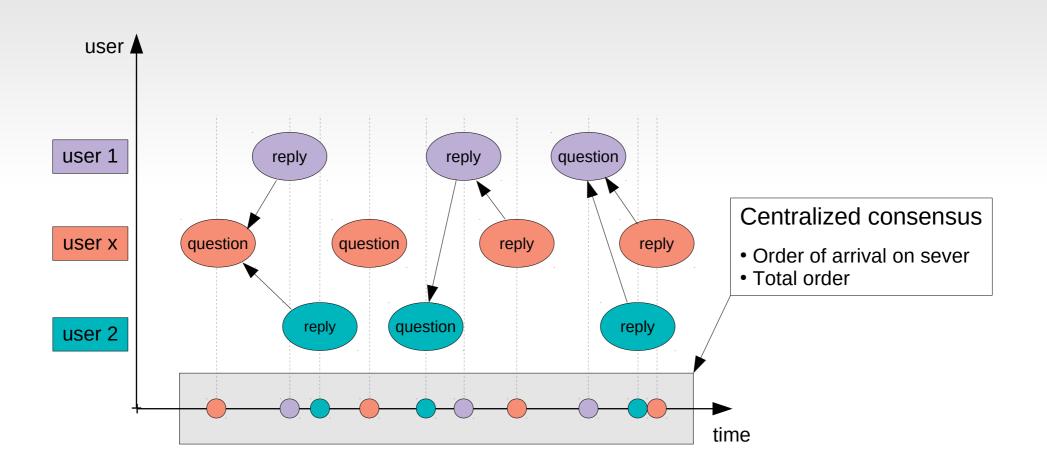
P2P Architecture

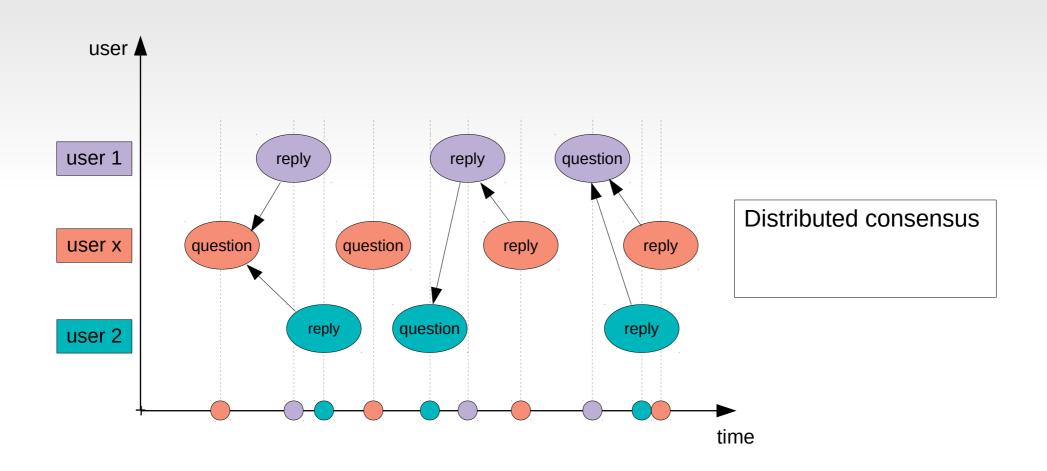
Public-key Cryptography

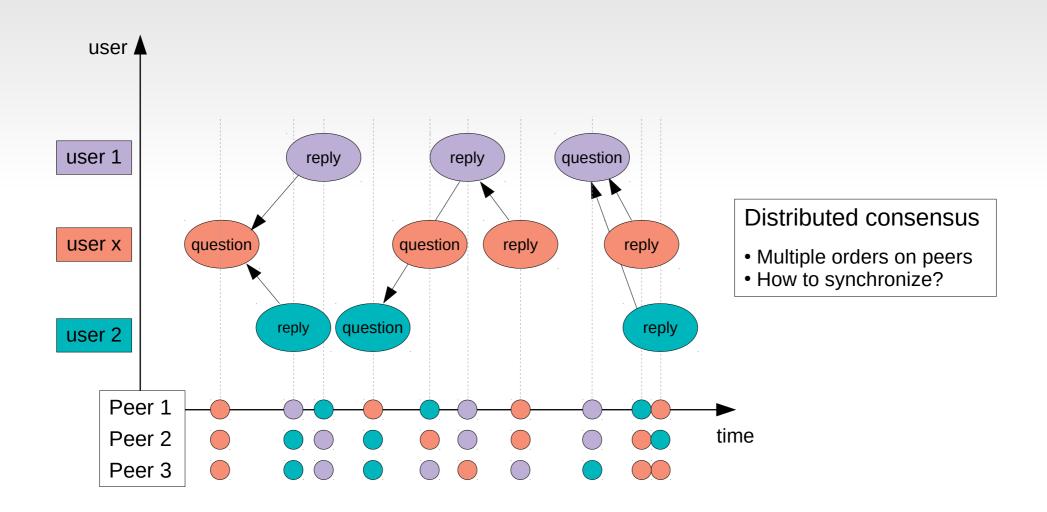
> Reputation System

N⇔N

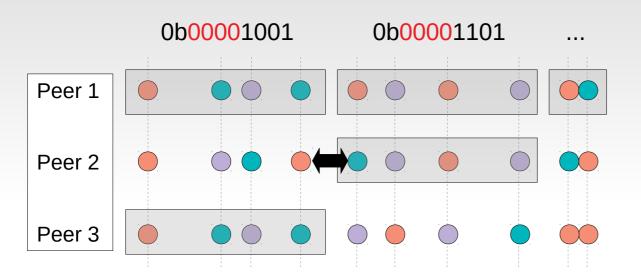








Bitcoin "Proof of Work"



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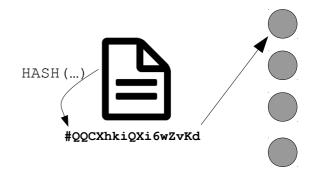
Distributed consensus

- Order with more work
- Total order
 - Prevents double spend

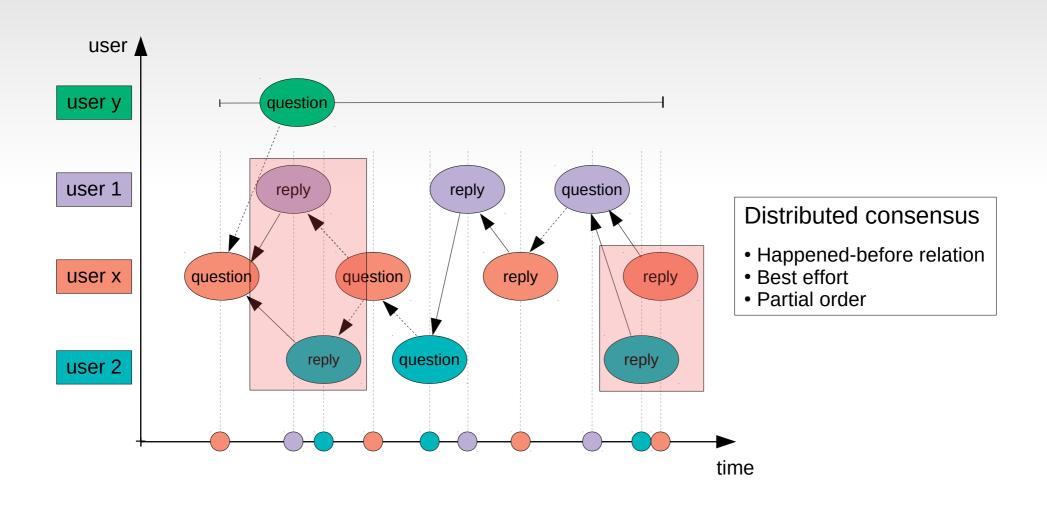
Too strong!

P2P Distributed Hash Tables (DHTs)

- Base of BitTorrent, IPFS, DAT
- Fast, Scalable
- Trending & Immutable & Large files
 - We don't want everyone to store all these files altogether!
 - Typically consumed once (movies, installers)
- Search existing content
- Publish new content
- Access unpopular content
- Incentive store and transfer



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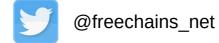
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