

# NEAR Protocol Overview

Welcome! Here we will explain you what NEAR Protocol is, its components, and how it works.

Do not worry if you are new to blockchains, we are here to guide you.

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