

Course IV:

DeFi Risks and Opportunities

5. Winners and Losers

(ii) A View of the Future

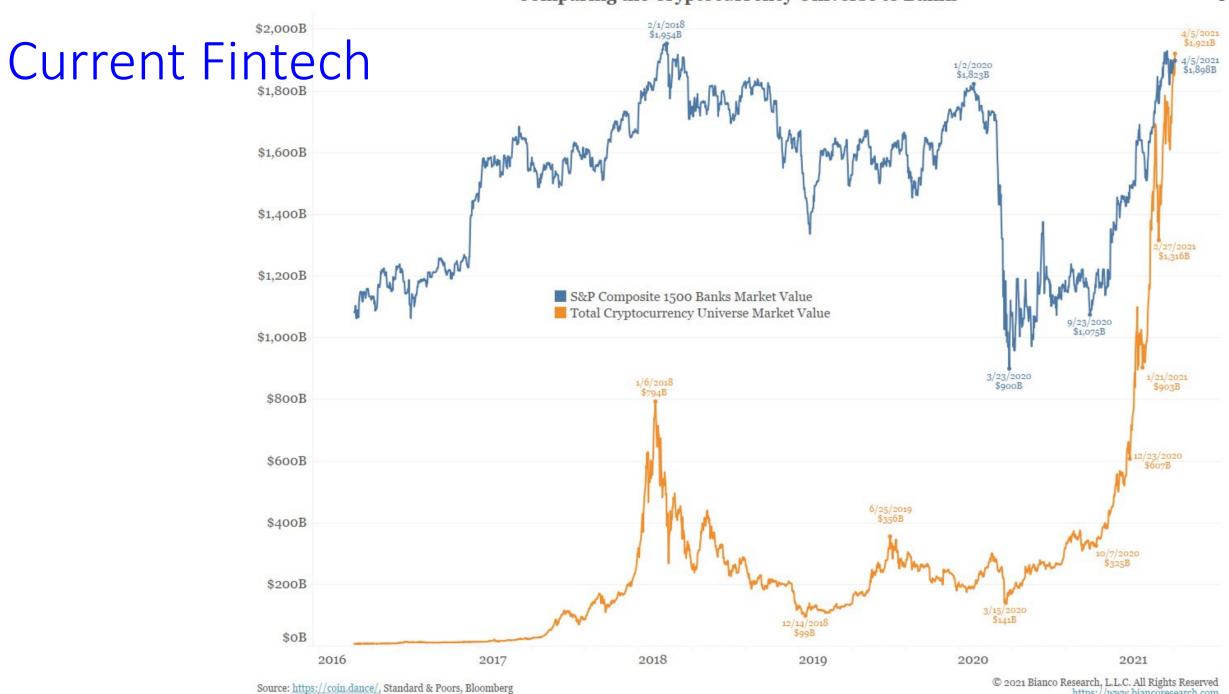
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 - "The current fintech, like Stripe and Plaid, is like putting lipstick on a pig." Duke speaker, March 9, 2021 guest lecture

Comparing the Cryptocurrency Universe to Banks



Asymmetric-key-cryptography Scaling-risk ✓ Proof-of-stake Yield-farming Vertical-scaling Sharding Slashing KYC Address Vampirism Mint Invariant Schelling-point-oracle Direct-incentive Halting-problem Testnet Optimistic-rollup Airdrop Fork **EOA** Double-spend Hexadecimal PoS Defi-Legos Consensus-protocol Layer Utility-token Flash-swap Horizontal-scaling Miner-extractable-value Flash-loan IDO Contract-account dApp Node Vault Stablecoin Router-contracts Symmetric-key-cryptography Digest Impermanent-loss Bonding-curve Governance-token Proof-of-work Staking



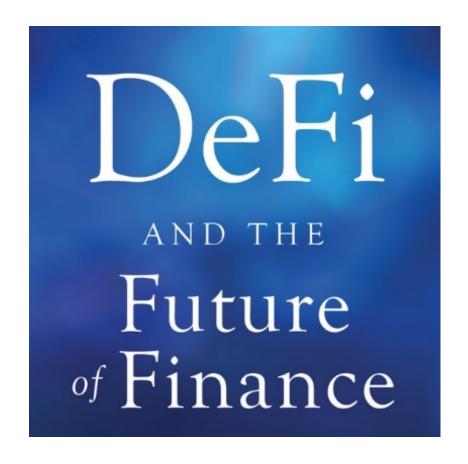
Course conclusions

- We are now seeing the <u>scaffolding of a new city</u> that reinvents finance. It is just a matter of time for the legacy players – and they know it.
- Millenia ago, we started out with peer to peer market exchange - barter. We have come full circle. All assets, physical and virtual will be tokenized.

Course conclusions

Let me paraphrase Fred Ehrsam's endorsement of my book

DeFi, like the internet, will likely make financial services cheaper, faster, secure, personalized and more. The future has yet to be written. This course provides a peek into it, and you, as a graduate, hold the power to create it.



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