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Ledger Technology

Working Group

Born in January 2018 with the writing of the chapter on blockchain of the libro bianco della Cybersecurity

The group then met in Perugia for the organization of the first workshop on these issues, a workshop that included a round table with participation of institutional Lab CyberSec.

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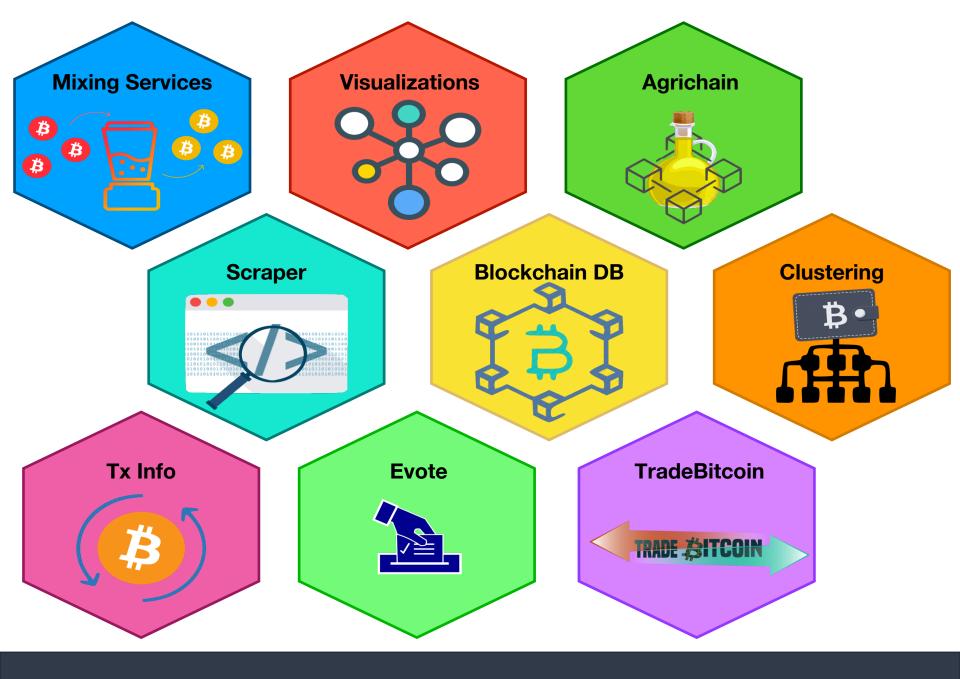
Formal Models for Blockchains

- Mathematical models of blockchain behavior
- Formal models for smart contracts
 - Languages for smart contracts (imperative / process algebras / ...)
 - Secure compilation
 - No vulnerabilities introduced by the compiler
 - Verification of contract-relevant properties
 - BitML Toolchain
- Verified protocols
 - Lotteries
 - Fair games

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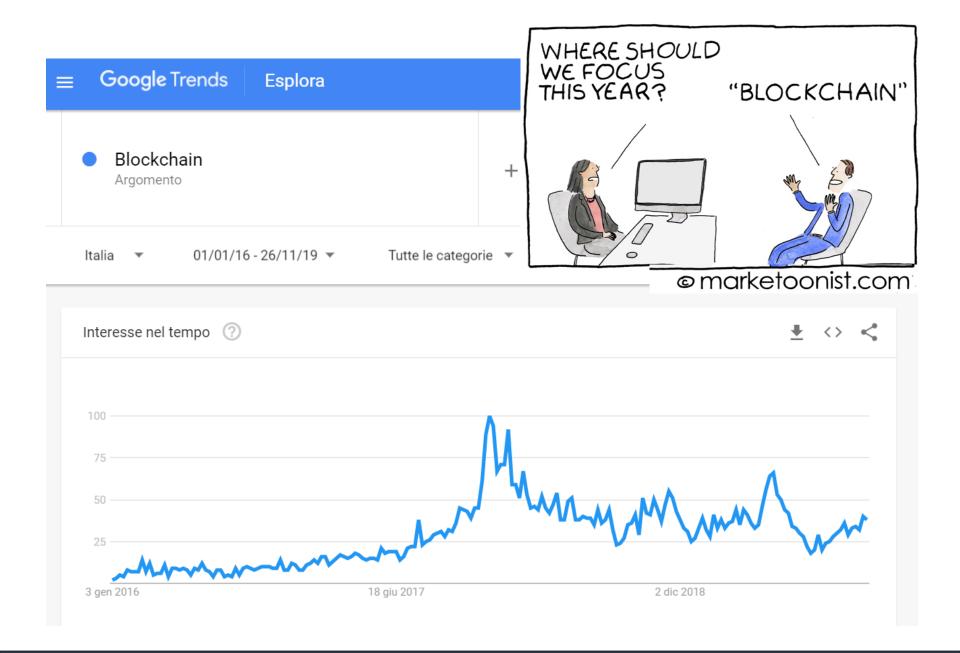
- Current Blockchain Research Topics
 - Benchmark for the analysis of security and performance of permissioned blockchain
 - Scalability of permissioned blockchain
 - Life cycle management of smart contracts in permissionless blockchain
 - Application of blockchain technology to
 - Large-scale, complex supply chains
 - Transactive energy (i.e. p2p trading of electricity)

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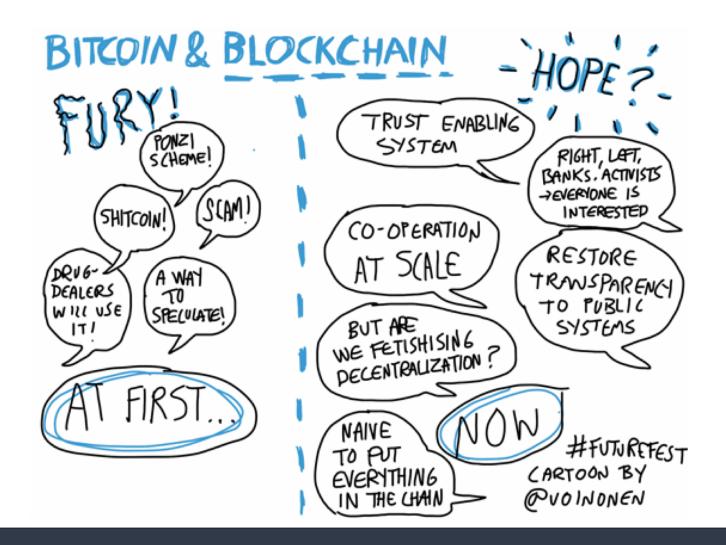
Bitcoin Introduction



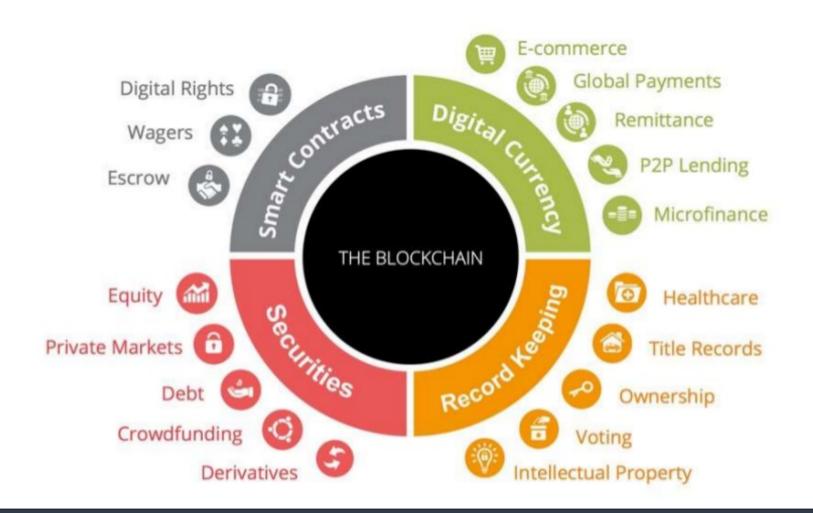
More gold than coin



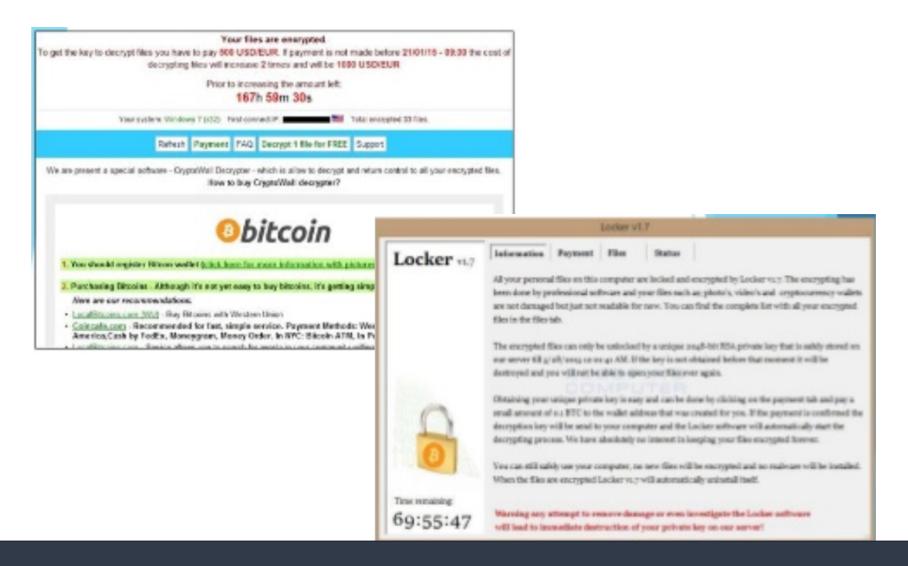
Friend... Or Foe...



Friend... (to protect)



... or Foe?



What the Hell is this Bitcoin

Trying to explain BitCoin in short form is no easy task so you must make a choice:

RED PILL

I'll tell you the REAL definition

Don't blame me after.



BLUE PILL

I'll tell you the MATRIX definition

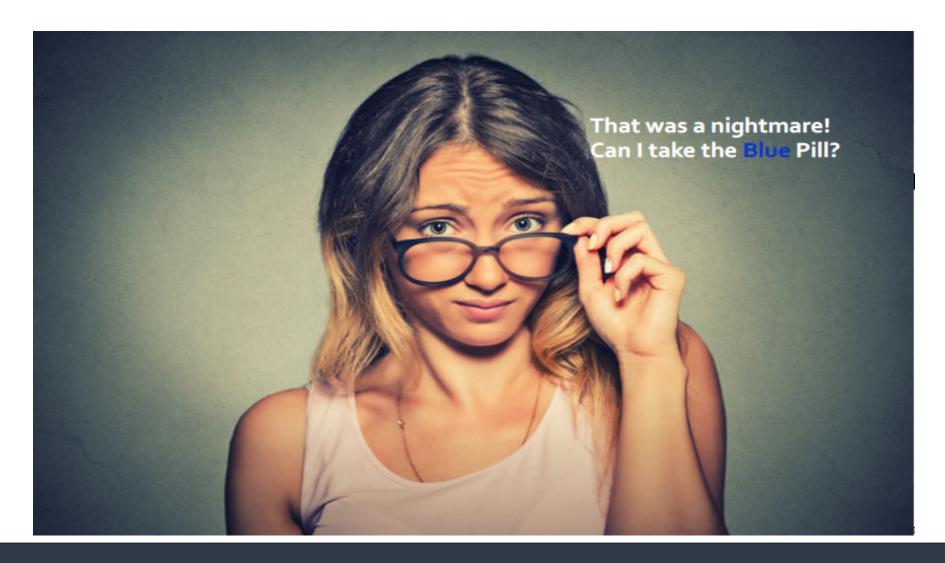
Red Pill Version

BitCoin is an information technology breakthrough that define and implement a secure, decentralized payment system and a tool for the storage, verification and auditing of information, including digital representations of values.

The bitcoin protocol defines an overlay network over Internet that mine bitcoins, each node manage a group of addresses that holds coins, each address is a hashed image of an underlying private-public pair of cryptographic keys and act as a pseudonym of the coin's holder.

The nodes view of this common state is formed by a BlockChain, a shared, append-only, trustable, ledger of all coins transactions. The limits of distributed consensus defined in the Byzantine Problem and CAP Theorem are solved using the technique of proof-of-work...

Blue Pill Version



A story to start...

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in **2013 1 BTC = 205 €**Koch was Millionaire

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Bbitcoin



Peer-to-peer transactions



No need for third parties



Worldwide payments

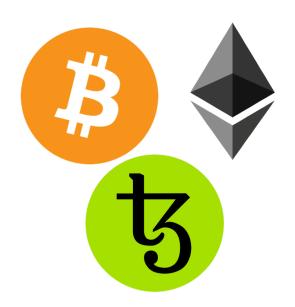


Low processing fees

- 2008 S. Nakamoto. Bitcoin: A peer-to-peer electronic cash system. Whitepaper sent on cryptography mailing list.
- 2009 first version of bitcoin node implementation Bitcoin Qt: start of the network and generation of the first bitcoins.

Existing Blockchains

Permissionless



Permissioned







Modello Pubblico

Modello «purista» distribuito



Informazioni registrate pubblicamente in Blockchain, disponibili e verificabili da tutti i player della rete abilitati

Modello Privato

Logica «club ristretto e chiuso»



Partecipazione «su invito» di attori selezionati, con i quali esiste già un consolidato rapporto di fiducia

Public vs Permissioned

Advantages of permissioned blockchains

Resource control

Faster Transactions

Better Scalability



Consensus More Efficient (less nodes)



Hyperledger is a great project, first created by IBM, now under the control of The Linux Foundation, which aims to develop blockchain solutions.

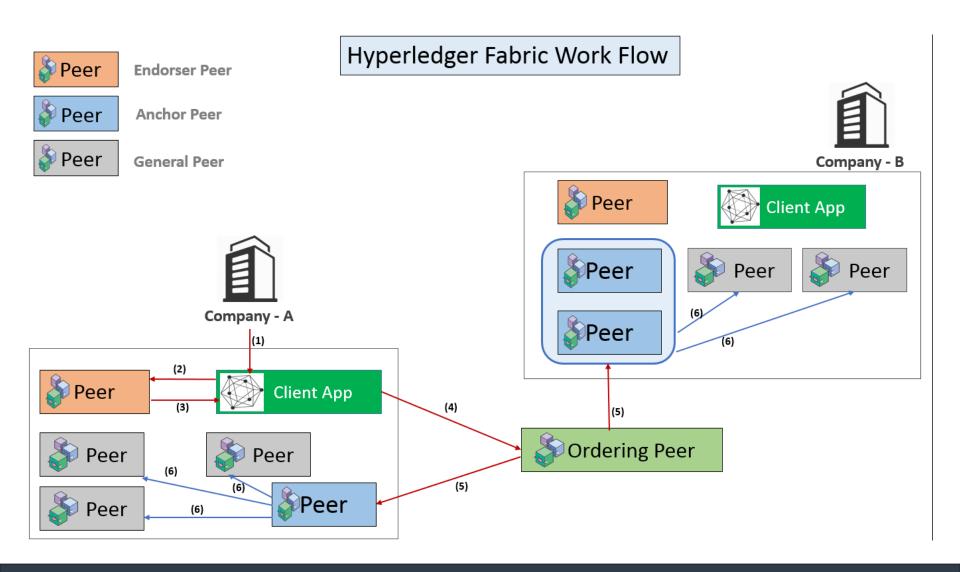
- o Modular architecture
- o Division of roles between network nodes
- Smart Contract (chaincode) powered by different programming languages

Hyperledger architecture

We can have different types of peer nodes:

- Endorser
- Anchor
- Orderer

Hyperledger Fabric Workflow



How data is stored

- Ledger
- State database

The ledger is the actual "blockchain": stores serialized blocks. It is immutable.

The state database holds the last known committed value for any given key.

There are currently two options for the state database: an embedded *LevelDB* or an external *CouchDB*.

TEZOS



Decentralized Blockchain: Governance on chain No Fork: Voting on improvement

Delagete Proof of Stake

- Virtual "miner" (Backer)
- Communities delegate Backers
- Formal Verification
- Ocam and Michelson

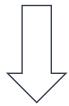
Alphanet:

https://tezos.gitlab.io/tezos/introduction/alphanet.html#alphanet

Policy of Tezos

Possibility of producing new "amendments"

- new policy of the governance
- new voting specifications
- •smart contract parameters
- add a block to chain



VOTE

voting on large majority (80%)
Only token holder can vote
It may be possible to delegate the vote

Policy of Tezos

- every cicle all proposals are gathered.
- each proposal is voted by supermajority (80%).
- all the pased proposals are implemented in a soft-fork net (test) for 48h.
- after the test period there is another supermajority vote on the test governance.
- •if the test pass, the new governance will be implemented on live net.

Blocks on Tezos

- bounding 8000 XTZ a node can have 1 roll.
- to be a Baker you need at least 1 roll.
- every clock (60") a block is proposed.
- among all bakers one roll is selected for validation.
- if there are 32 vote, the block pass.
- only after 4096 blocks (1 cicle) the XTZ are unbounded.



Smart Contract

What they can do

- They work as a 'multi-signature' account, that is, the funds are spent only when there is a certain percentage of people involved
- They manage agreements between users, for example an insurance service or the sale of an asset
- They provide services to other contracts (similar to how a software library works)
- They store information about an application, such as user information and their activities in the application.

Oracles



Provable

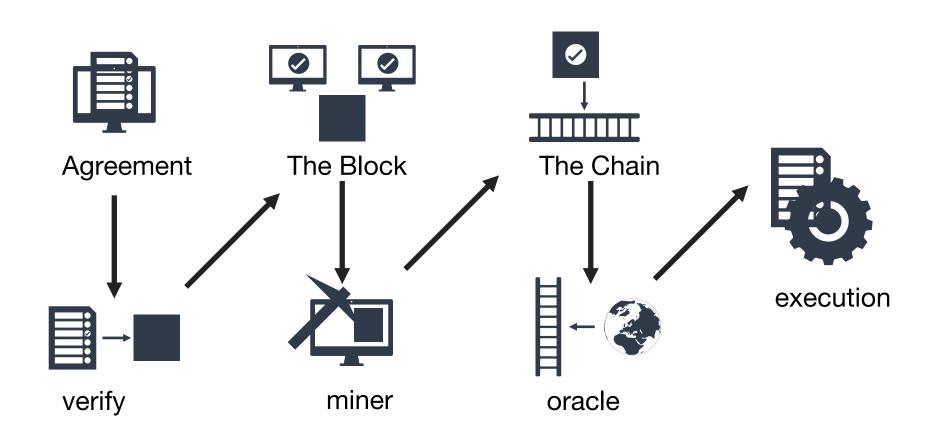


Maker dao



The contracts developed by MakerDAO use the **oracles to know the value of Ethereum** in dollars and to keep the value of the DAI token by means of cryptoeconomic incentives.

Life of a smart contract



Application fields



Examples

BANKING & FINANCE



REAL ESTATE









INSURANCE











Italian law

"A computer program that operates on technologies based on distributed registers and whose execution automatically binds two or more parts on the basis of predefined effects".

BUGS!



Estimates in ethereum

- 34,200 potentially vulnerable
- 3.4% of total smart contracts
- Involving about 4.105 Ether
- For a value greater than € 803,000

The Dao



Thanks for your attention.