Introduction to Blockchain Technology & Benefits

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What is Not a Blockchain

- Blockchain is **NOT a cryptocurrency**
- Blockchain is **NOT a programming language**
- Blockchain is NOT a cryptographic codification.

"Blockchain is the technology. Bitcoin is merely the first mainstream manifestation of its potential" — Marc Kenigsberg.





Problems with current business ledgers

- Subject to misuse
- Tamperable
- Lack of transparency
- Inefficient



Distributed Ledger









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Blockchain is a Distributed Ledger, has a network of replicated databases, Synchronized via Internet, visible to all network participants

Blockchain in a nutshell



- Many computers are connected in a network without any hierarchy (peer to peer network)
- These computers verify all transactions one by one
- A set of Verified transactions over a time period are added in a "Block (similar to a page in ledger book)" of information
- All the Blocks are chained downloaded onto each computer





How to Sync distributed copies of Ledgers ???



Consensus



- Instead of relying on a third party to mediate transactions, members in the Blockchain network uses a consensus protocol to agree on ledger content
- Consensus ensures that the shared ledgers are exact copies in all the nodes of distributed systems
- For updating the distributed ledger, consensus is required among the participants of the network
 - Ensures No Malicious Transactions nor Changes can be made on the distributed network

How Blockchain Creates a New Block?







Transactions



- The Blockchain records transactions and what gets transferred is the control of digital asset
- This control comes through use of cryptography
- When a digital asset is exchanged, it is placed under the control of a specific public-private key pair
- If someone is able to prove that he has the private key matching the public key, the Blockchain network lets him control the digital asset
- If the private key is lost there is no recoverability!



Merkle Tree Merkle Root HABCD Hash(HAB + HCD)



Each block in the Blockchain contains summary of all the transactions in the block using merkle tree



Merkle Tree in Blockchain





How it provides Security??

- Metadata in turn, contains Merkel Root of Transaction data
- Change the metadata, block hash will change - leads to broken chain
- Change the details of a transaction, the merkle root will change, which in turn changes the metadata hash, which will change the block id

Merkle Tree

Transaction C

Hash Value CD

Transaction [

Hash Value AB

Transaction B

Transaction A

Detect Tampering from Chain of Blocks





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- What makes Blockchain Unique?
- **Decentralized:** Blockchains are managed by a network of nodes rather than a central authority
- **Transparent:** Transactions are stored on the Blockchain across nodes, all participants can view transactions on the network in real-time
- Immutable: Blockchains are designed to enable permanent record keeping (with the help of Cryptographic chains) so that stored data cannot be altered after being added
- Secure: It is hard to change or destroy block chains because of its distributed nature





Features and Benefits

- Assurance related to data stored in Blockchain with respect to:
 - Immutability
 - Integrity
 - > Authenticity
 - Verifiability
 - Accountability
- Malware Resistant



Blockchain - Purpose

- It facilitates the process of recording transactions and tracking assets in a business network
- An asset can be tangible a house, a car, cash, land — or intangible like intellectual property, such as patents, copyrights, or branding
- Anything of value can be tracked and traded on a blockchain network, reducing risk and cutting costs for all involved

Blockchain Adoption Scenario



- FedEx Supply chain management
- IBM
 - Supply chain management for walmart
 - Blockchain trade finance platform for Bank of Montreal (BMO), CaixaBank, Commerzbank, Erste Group, and the United Bank of Switzerland (UBS).
- Microsoft Blockchain as a Service
- NASA To Use Hyperledger Blockchain For Air Traffic Management
- Sweden Land Registration
- MasterCard Blockchain based payment gateways
- Bank of America Banking Transactions
- JAPAN Processing Government Tenders
- DHL-Accenture Pharmacy
- Airbus and Lufthansa Aviation; for tracking jet plane parts
- Lufthansa Blockchain-based travel app for users with Winding Tree
- Air France supply chain and to track workflows within aircraft maintenance systems



Potential Application Domains

- e-Governance
- Supply chain management
- Healthcare
- Financial Services
- Auditing & Compliance
- High Valued Asset Tracking
- Document Notarization System
- e-voting
- Access Auditing
- Log Management and etc...



Applications Developed by C-DAC

- Property Record Management System (Land Registration)
- Blockchain based Proof of Existence for Digital artifacts
- Blockchain based Educational Certificate Verification
- PoCs
 - Blockchain based Hotel Visitor Registration System
 - Blockchain based Transportation System



BLOCKCHAIN BASED PROOF OF EXISTENCE (POE)

Motivation

- Number of digital artefacts are generated by ICT systems
- Fake or fabricated documents is a major issue (degree certificates, property records etc)
- Many document management systems lack
 - Transparency
 - Security
 - Efficiency
- How the problem can be solved?
 - Temporal existence
 - Verify Origin
 - Verify Content Authenticity







- Records the following details on Blockchain
 - hash of digital artefact
 - timestamp
- Allows verifying
 - digital artefact hash not tampered
 - digital artefact existed at a point in time when it was recorded on Blockchain



Blockchain based Proof of Existence as a Service (PoEaa

Records the hash of digital artefact



Allows verifying the existence of a digital artefact's hash on the Blockchain



Salient Features



- Security in terms of integrity, Authenticity and epoch of vital data
- Seamless authentication
- Physical submission of documents is not essential
- Platform records and maintains the hash of digital artefacts in a tamper proof manner
- Issued receipt includes hash and an embedded QR code which can be used for future verifications
- Dashboard for indicating match/mismatch after verifying with Blockchain details
- Malware Resistant

Benefits



- Documents are Recorded on Blockchain Ensures
 Document's Integrity & Ownership
- Enables Recognition of Modified or Fabricated
 Documents
- Enables Blockchain based Document Verification by Others
- Eases the Verification Process by Eliminating Manual Intervention
- Provides Proof-of-Existence of Documents for Lifetime





- Records Digital Artefacts or Documents in Blockchain
- Stores the Document in Proof of Storage(PoS) in an encoded format
- Owner can share Blockchain Receipt with Others for Proving the Integrity and Ownership of Document from Blockchain

Work Flow for Recording Documents in PoE Blockchain



Work Flow for Verifying Documents From PoE Blockchain



Flow of Verifying a Document From PoE Blockchain

Potential Use cases

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Service Models of PoE





- Managed Service Model:
 - C-DAC maintains the required infrastructure for the application

Third party Integration APIs:

• Applications can easily integrate PoE by calling REST APIs while C-DAC would maintain all the required infrastructure

On-Premises PoE Setup:

 C-DAC would provide the consultancy in architecting, designing, and hand-holding for a full fledged in-premise deployment.

In all the service models, the user can optionally store the document (Proof of Storage) along with the hash of the document



Blockchain based PoE for Inhouse PG Diploma Certificates

Challenges for Certificate Verifying bodies

- Dealing with fake credentials
- The task of verifying documents is cumbersome and involves cost & time
- The process could take couple of weeks or a month depending on the response from the issuing authorities
- Background verifying agencies charges fee to verify documents from concerned authorities

Traditional vs Blockchain based Certificate Verification System





Blockchain based Certificate Verification Flow





Benefits

- Certificates are Recorded on Blockchain at the Origin itself
- Ensures Certificate's Integrity, Ownership and Timestamp, which enables Detection of Modified or Fabricated Certificates
- Enables Instant Verification for Employers, Higher Educational Institutes or any other 3rd party bodies via scanning a QR code or via the Link
- Provides Proof-of-Existence of Certificates for Lifetime
- Readily Available Certificates in case of loss or damage

Application Overview





Share Certificate to Employers

Recruiters / Other

Verifying Authorities



Application Overview

- Blockchain based initiative for Issuing, Viewing, Sharing and Verifying educational certificates
- Students can share Receipt with Verification bodies for Proving the Integrity and Authenticity of Certificate from the Blockchain
- Or Verification bodies can directly verify the certificate details from Blockchain using the Unique ID of the student
- QR code enabled or Link based Verification



Blockchain based Property Record Management System (PRMS)



Based on the survey, following are the most common irregularities present in the existing property registration system

- Producing Fake Documents for registration
- Insider Attack / Traditional database related attacks
- Double Registration
- Cyber attacks

Requirements



- Electronic Ledger
 - Reliable
 - Timestamped
 - Tamper-evident
 - Providing non-repudiable proof of each transaction
- Single source of truth
- Linked Document (Title History) Verification
- Distributed Ledger to avoid single point of failure
 If any node is compromised, data can be recovered from other nodes
 - Make records and contracts completely digital to facilitate
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Suitability of Blockchain Technology





Benefits of Integrating Blockchain Technology in Existing System

- Title history is often incomplete and thus unclear
 - Implicit chaining of transaction details
- Inquiring / investigation is time consuming and may not be certain
 - Single source of truth from Blockchain
- Possibility for malign parties to involve in corruption
 - Audit trail details available from tamper evident Blockchain
- Centralized property registration system has a single point of failure
 - Distributed
- Vulnerable to destruction, modification and non availability
 - Tamper evident & distributed

Property Registration Management - Existing Application in Telangana Govt.



Existing Property Registration Application

During Check Slip Report Generation



- Property details
 - Survey number (District / Mandal / Village / Survey Number / sub division)
 - Area of measurement
 - Jurisdiction / Registering SRO
- Check slip number

- Vendor(s) details
 - Name
 - Father's name
 - PAN
 - Aadhar number
- Vendee(s) details
 - Name
 - Father's name
 - PAN
 - Aadhar number

During Final Regular Document Generation



- Execution Date
- Presentation Date
- Registration Date
- Executants/ Claimants Details / Vendor vendee details
 - Name
 - Father's Name
 - AADHAR ID
 - PAN
- Witness(s) Details
 - Name
 - AADHAR ID
 - PAN
- Regular Document Number

- Check slip number
- Property details
 - Survey number (District / Mandal / Village / Survey Number / sub division)
 - Area of measurement
 - Jurisdiction / Registering SRO
 - Category of Land (Abeyance, Prohibited, Normal ...)
 - GIS (Lat, Long)

Blockchain Based Property Registration Management



Existing Property Registration Application

Blockchain based Property Record Management System (PRMS)

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Blockchain Stack of PRMS



PM Application

REST Server





Features and Benefits



- Integration points with existing application using standard Web APIs
- Live Blockchain data hooks in the registration phase for early verification
 - Provision for indicating mismatch in existing database with registration department and blockchain
 - Implicit validation of vendor title ownership at the time of mutation
 - Helps to detect double selling and database modifications (if any)
- Reliable Encumbrance / link document search
- Dashboard for indicating mismatch in existing database and Blockchain details post registration
- Proof-of-Existence implementation for storing final registration document
 - Validity of the registered document can be established through PoE

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 Property is being transferred from Ramesh to Suresh



Scenario 1: Double Selling

With existing system

With Blockchain based PRMS





Scenario – 2: Fake Document

With existing system

- Ramesh is the owner of Property P1
- 2. Rajesh has created a fake document



With Blockchain based PRMS

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Thank You

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