Blockchain Governance + Security Privacy Concerns

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P3 Paas MULTI MODAL BLOCKCHAIN PLATFORM

MAIN LOGISTICS HUBS PORT • AIRPORT • RAIL

Shippers 🖧 USA, LATAM, ASIA, EUROPE

Carriers air, sea, land

Freight Forwarders

3PL, Grouping, last mile Service providers



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Business Case: Multimodal Miami

Business case

International trade is a complex system facing a number of inefficiencies. Figure 4 below shows how international containers shipment of goods is mainly composed of many actors and three flows:

- the physical movement of containers;
- the exchange of data and documents associated to the traded and the transported goods;
- the transfer of any monetary flow associated to the container and the transported goods.



Tracking a Shipping Container

The sequence diagram below recaps all the steps needed to update, track and check a container shipment.



Decentralized Autonomous Organization

From the book "Token Economy" by Shermin Voshmgir, 2019 Excerpts available on https://blockchainhub.net

Machine consensus around token governance rulesets and smart contracts instead of legal employment contracts.





No centralized legal entity

Self-enforcing code (smart contracts)

Tokens act as incentive for validators



Distributed Network of Autonomous Stakeholders

Consensus: Group decision-making process for all



"GAO"

Many people ask if the Government Blockchain Association (GBA) is just a theory or is it even possible?

Traditional Association Governance The GBA has established a set of GBA Bylaws that are designed to make the GBA a member-driven organization. GBA is led on a day-to-day basis by operation staff, but is under the oversight of a Board of Directors.

Distributed Autonomous Governance The GBA Working Group are beginning the journey towards distributed autonomous governance as a proof of concept. If it can be proven at a GBA Working Group and GBA Chapter Level, we can consider implementing these concepts and principals at regional, national, and global levels in the association.

GBA Governance - DAO Working Group The first working groups to explore the usage of these principles and models will be the GBA Governance Working Group. It is led by Max Gravitt, Founder of Digital Scarcity.



PLATFORM END-USERS



Sample Data Utilization Platform



Comparing "open" versus "closed" protocols

			Read	Write	Commit	Example
BLOCKCHAIN TYPES	Open	Public permissionless	Open to anyone	Anyone	Anyone*	Bitcoin, Ethereum
		Public permissioned	Open to anyone	Authorized participants	All or a subset of authorized participants	Sovrin
	Closed	Consortium	Restricted to an authorized set of participants	Authorized participants	All or a subset of authorized participants	Multiple banks operating a shared ledger
		Private permissioned ("enterprise")	Fully private or restricted to a limited set of authorized nodes	Network operator only	Network operator only	Internal bank ledger shared between parent company and subsidiaries

*Requires significant investment either in mining hardware (proof-of-work model) or cryptocurrency itself (proof-of-stake model)

FIGURE1 Main types of blockchains segmented by permission model

Source: Hileman, Garrick and Michel Rauchs. 2017. "Global Blockchain Benchmarking Study." Cambridge Centre for Alternative Finance.

Property	Blockchain Governance					
riopenty	Public	Consortium	Private			
Governance Type	Consensus is public	Consensus is managed by a set of participants	Consensus is managed by a single owner			
Transactions Validation	Anynode (or miner)	A list of authorized nodes (or validators)				
Consensus Algorithm	Without permission	With permission				
Consensus Argorium	(PoW, PoS, PoET, etc.)	(PBFT, Tendermint, PoA, etc.)				
Transactions Reading	Any node	Any node (without permission) or				
Italisactions Reading	Ally lide	A list of predefined nodes (with permission)				
Data Immutability	Yes, blockchain rollback is almost impossible	Yes, but blockchain rollback is possible				
Transactions Throughput	Low (a few dozen of transactions validated per second)	High (a few hundred/thousand transactions validated per second)				
Network scalability	High	Low to medium (a few dozen/hundred of nodes)				
Infrastructure	Highly-Decentralized	Decentralized	Distributed			
	Censorship resistance	sorship resistance Applicable to highly regulated business (known identities, legal standards, etc.)				
	Unregulated and cross-borders	Efficient transactions throughput				
Features	Support of native assets Transactions without fee		ithout fees			
	Anonymous identities	Infrastructure rules are easier to manage				
	Scalable network architecture	Better protection against external disturbances				
Examples of technologies	Bitcoin, Ethereum, Ripple, etc.	MultiChain, Quorum, HyperLedger, Ethermint, Tendermint, etc.				

Blockchain and privacy protection

Private and public keys

Peer-to-peer network

Zero-knowledge proofs

ZKP background



From Private Key to Public Address







Legality of blockchain and privacy

GDPR: Because identities on a blockchain are associated with an individual's public and private keys, this may fall under the category of personal data because public and private keys enable pseudonymity and are not necessarily connected to an identity.^[14] A key part of the GDPR lies in a citizen's right to be forgotten, or data erasure.^[14] The GDPR allows individuals to request that data associated with them to be erased if it is no longer relevant.^[14] Due to the blockchain's nature of immutability, potential complications if an individual who made transactions on the blockchain requests their data to be deleted exist.^[14] Once a block is verified on the blockchain, it is impossible to delete it.^[8]

Blockchain Alliance: Because virtual currencies and the blockchain's protection of identity has proved to be a hub for criminal purchases and activity, FBI and Justice Department created Blockchain Alliance.^[13] This team aims to identify and enforce legal restrictions on the blockchain to combat criminal activities through open dialogue on a private-public forum.^[13] This allows law enforcers to fight the illegal exploitation of the technology.^[13] Examples of criminal activity on the blockchain include hacking cryptocurrency wallets and stealing funds.^[2] Because user identities are not tied to public addresses, it is difficult to locate and identify criminals.^[2]

Fair information practices Blockchain has been acknowledged as a way to solve fair information practices, a set of principles relating to privacy practices and concerns for users.^[5] Blockchain transactions allow users to control their data through private and public keys, allowing them to own it.^[5] Third-party intermediaries are not allowed to misuse and obtain data.^[5] If personal data are stored on the blockchain, owners of such data can control when and how a third party can access it. In blockchains, ledgers automatically include an audit trail that ensures transactions are accurate.^[5]

Concerns regarding blockchain privacy

Transparency: Although many^[who?] advocate for the adoption of blockchain technology because it allows users to control their own data and exclude third parties, some^[who?] believe certain characteristics of this technology infringe on user privacy.^[16] Because blockchains are decentralized and allow any node to access transactions, events and actions of users are transparent.^[16] Sceptics^[who?] worry malicious users can trace public keys and addresses to specific users. If this was the case, a user's transaction history would be accessible to anyone, resulting in what some^[who?] consider to be a lack of privacy.^[16]

Decentralization: Due to blockchain decentralized nature, a central authority is not checking for malicious users and attacks.^[16] Users might be able to hack the system anonymously and escape.^[16] Because public blockchains are not controlled by a third party, a false transaction enacted by a hacker who has a user's private key cannot be stopped.^[2] Because blockchain ledgers are shared and immutable, it is impossible to reverse a malicious transaction.^[2]

Private Keys: Private keys provide a way to prove ownership and control of cryptocurrency.^[2] If one has access to another's private key, one can access and spend these funds.^[2] Because private keys are crucial to accessing and protecting assets on the blockchain, users must store them safely.^[2] Storing the private key on a computer, flash drive or telephone can pose potential security risks if the device is stolen or hacked.^[2] If such a device is lost, the user no longer have access to the cryptocurrency.^[2] Storing it on physical media, such as a piece of paper, also leaves the private key vulnerable to loss, theft or damage.^[2]v