

Welcome to Blockchain Engineering

- how to **engineer** blockchain technology
- No written exam
- Project-based: 5 students

You will learn that blockchain is 95% engineering on top of sophisticated APIs and only 5% validation, crypto and creating trust.

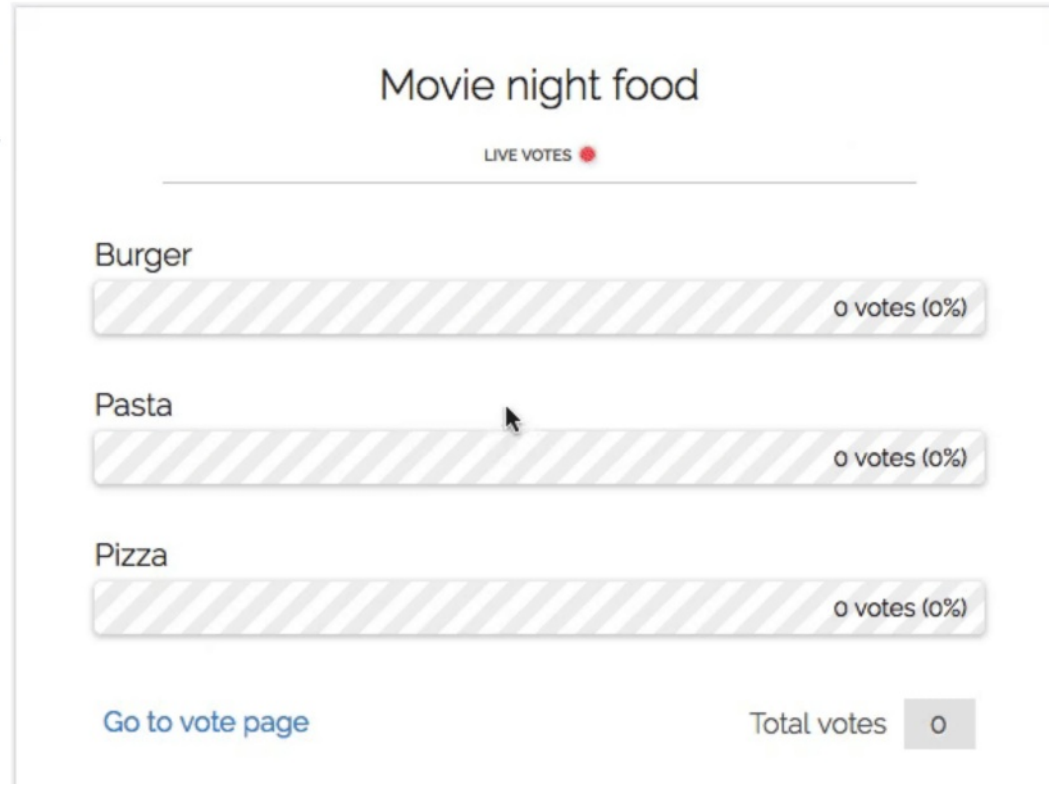
Project-based course

- Enroll by email on a project
(Brightspace instructions)
- Deadline enrollment: 20Feb 11:59am (Noon)
- Brightspace → GITHUB list of projects
- Weekly meetings with advisors
- Work towards an operational prototype

WARNING: no running code, no passing grade

Schedule for today 8:45 – 10:30-ish

- This introduction
- 3 On-chain democracy projects + Hyperledger health project
- 9:30 - 10:30 questions + group formation



Blockchain Engineering - class of 2024 #7691

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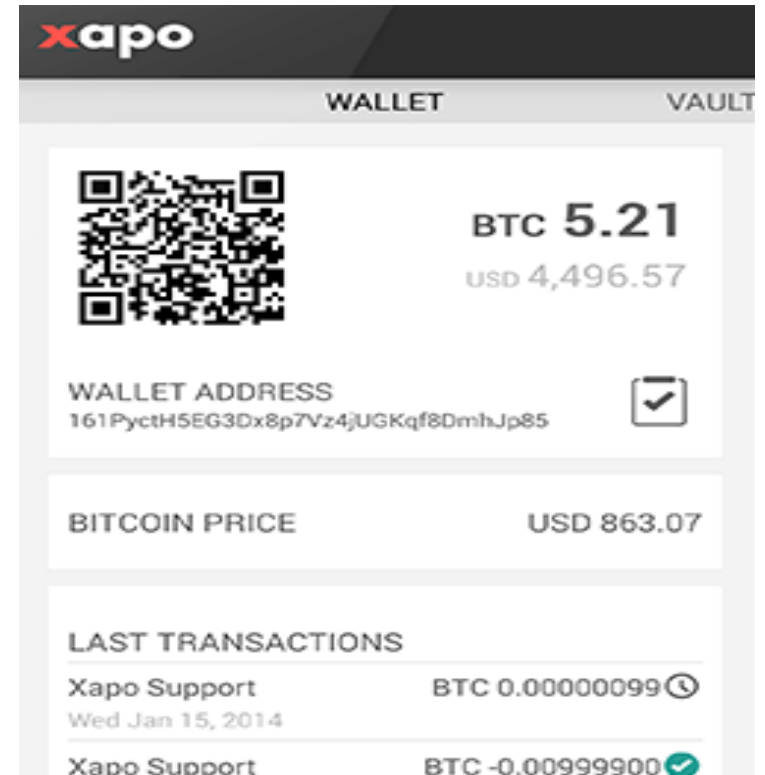
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- Proposed in 2007 by Satoshi Nakamoto (pseudonym)
- Your public key is your wallet address
- With the private key, you can sign transactions



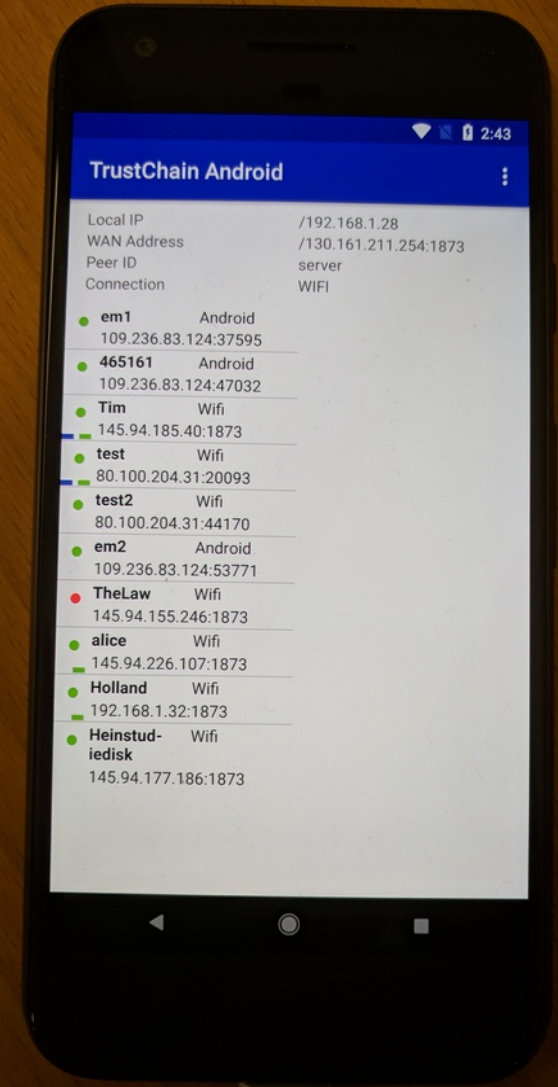
In this course (2.1) phone-to-phone



In this course (2.2) phone overlay of “billions”?

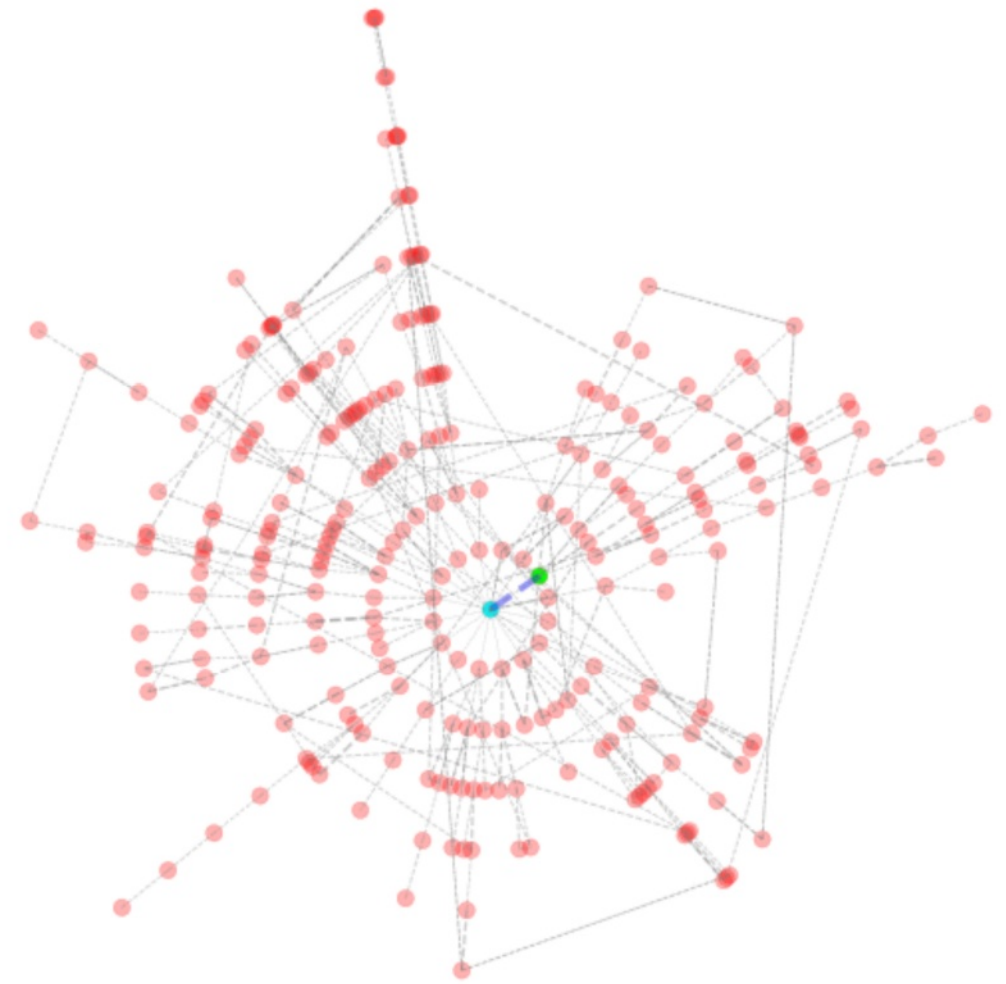
- No servers
- No laptops
- No Javascript
- “IPv8”

<https://github.com/Tribler/>

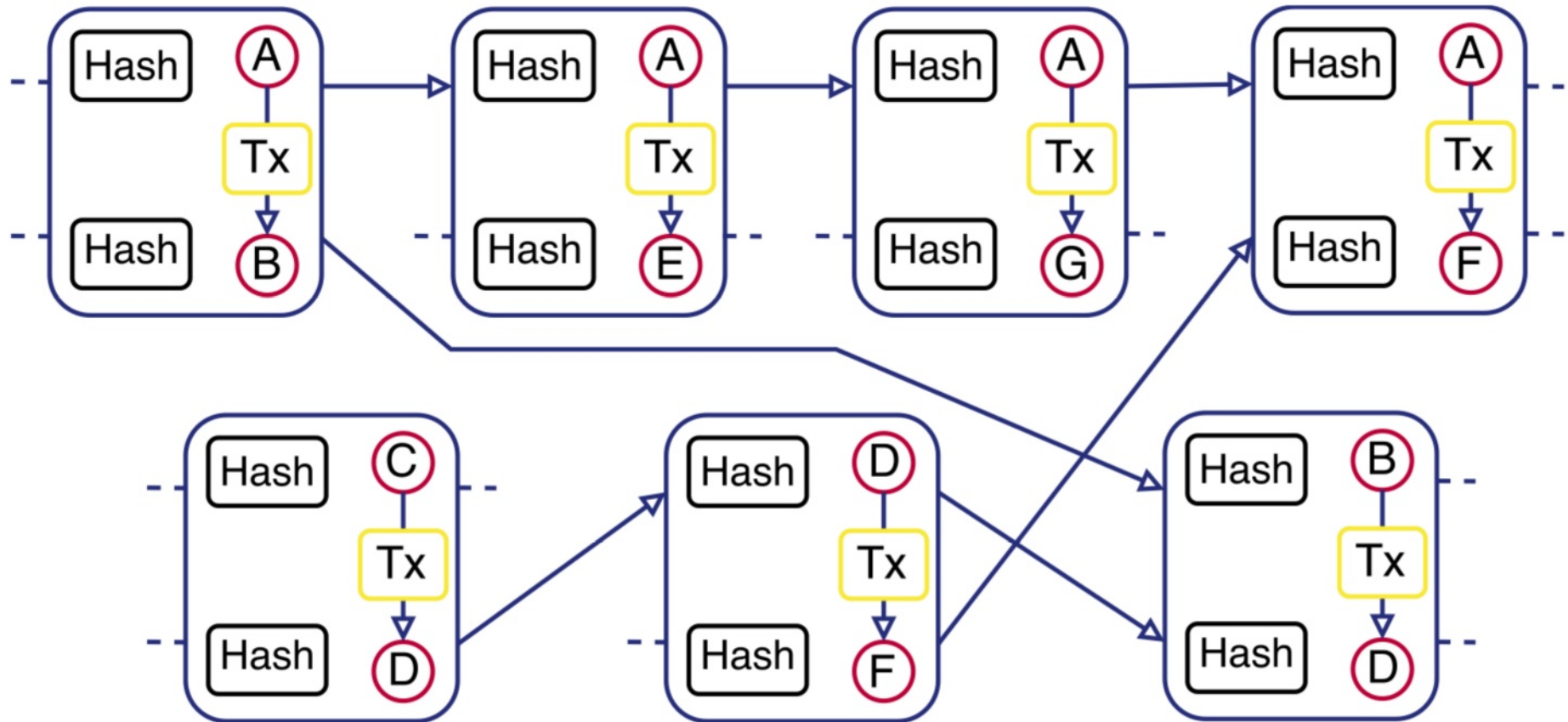


In this course (2.3): magic sparkle of **trust**

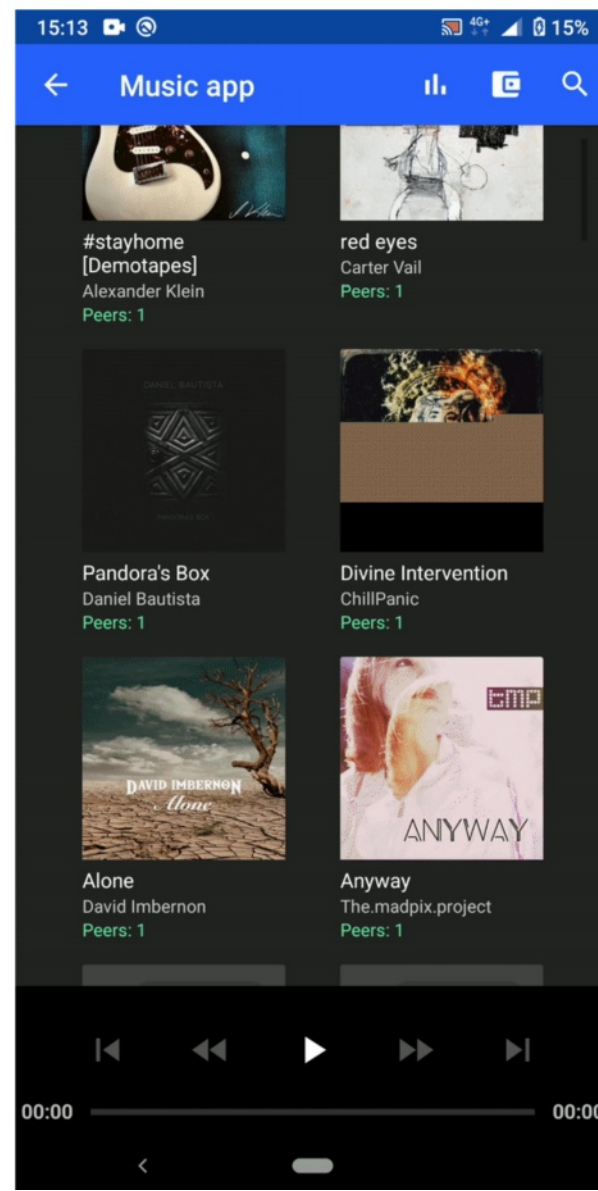
- Generic mechanism to create trust
- Remember who helped you “trustchain”
- Gossip with others
- Build graph



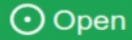
In this course (2.4): Trustchain – by TUDelft



In this course (3): Superapp - by TUDelft



Thesis: Artist Investment Token #6714



Open

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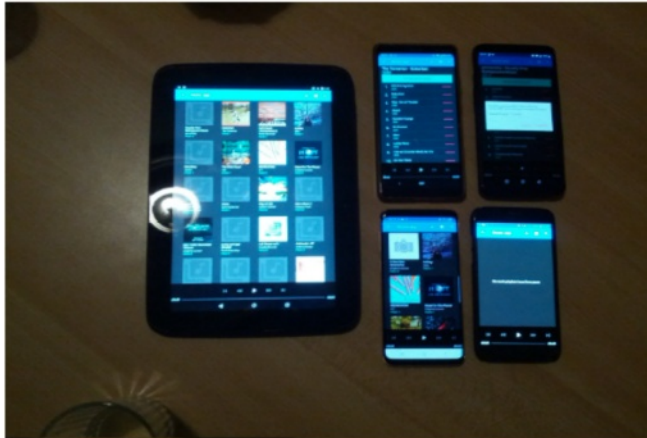
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Thesis: replace music industry with open source code, including the investment part.

Wealth has accumulated with a select few: the investing class. The rest of the world belongs to the worker class. Digital technology is breaking the monopoly on investing. We prove the viability of our ideas with an Internet-deployment focused on an industry that operates purely digitally and has deep rooted monopolistic culture: the music industry.

Prior work: [Tribler/trustchain-superapp#45](#)



Unstoppable disruption

- 1 1991 – Linux: Open OS
- 2 2001 – Bittorrent: "shared drive"
- 3 2009 – Bitcoin: money, no banks
- 4 2012 – Decentralised AI
$$\sum_{i=1}^t f_i(\bar{w}^{(i)}) - f_i(w^*) \leq \leq -\frac{\lambda t}{2} \|w^{(t+1)} - w^*\|^2 + \frac{G^2}{2\lambda} \sum_{i=1}^t \frac{1}{i} \leq \frac{G^2(\log(t) + 1)}{2\lambda},$$
- 5 2025 – Tribler: online democracy

In this course (4): Tribler

- ✓ Our academic, experimental playground (since 2005)
- ✓ Fully decentralised *trustworthy* software
- ✓ “Decentralised tiktok/Youtube”



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search

spam
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economy

decentralised
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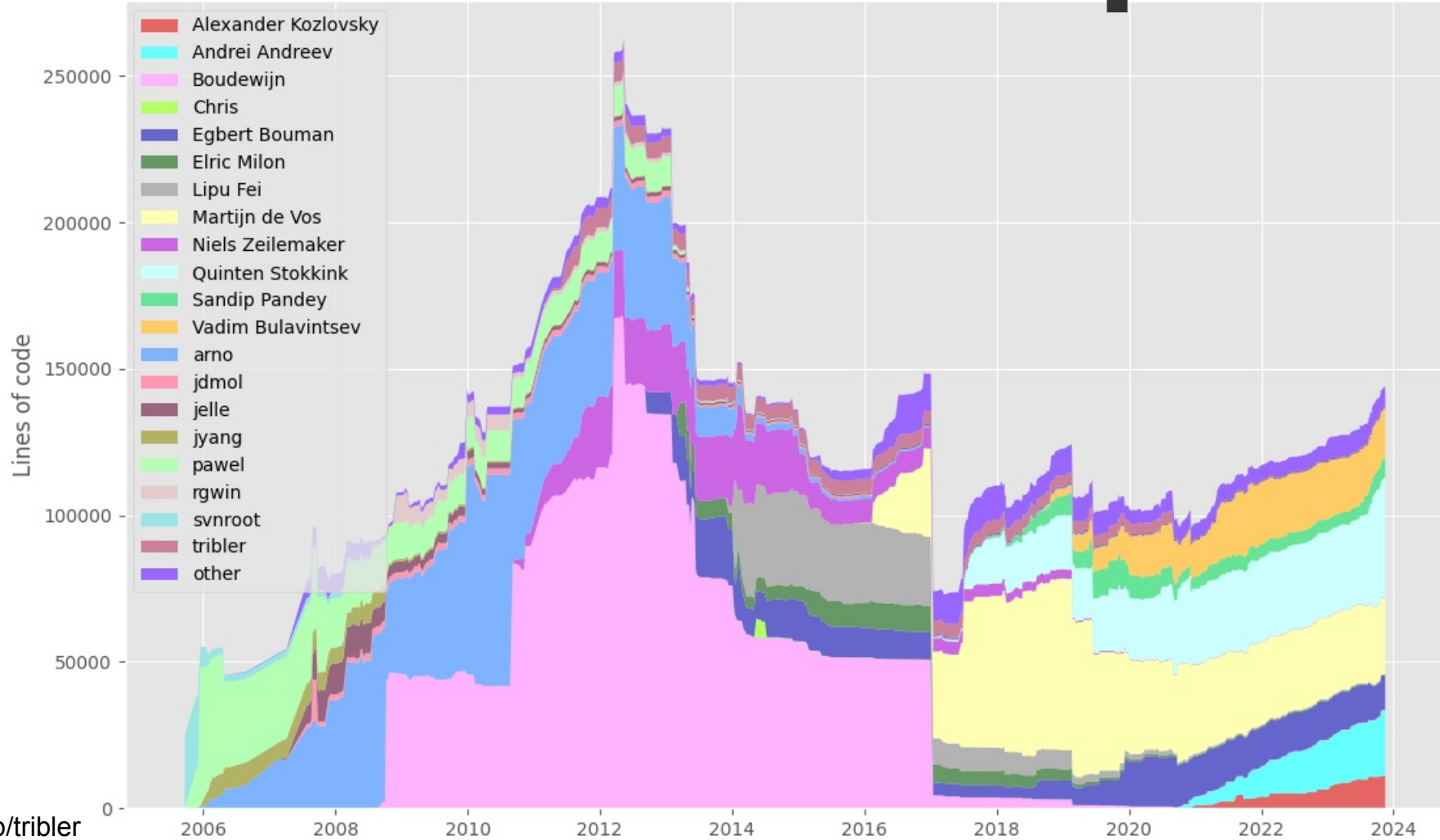
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✓ Over: **2.4 million** downloads

Tribler: 306 developers



Class of 2024

end of intro

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The screenshot shows a GitHub issue page for 'Blockchain Engineering - class of 2024 #7691'. The issue is open and has 5 tasks. A comment by user 'synctext' is visible, containing a draft class schedule. The schedule is for on-campus lectures at Delft Campus, Drebbelweg-Instruction Room 4 (35.1.170). The schedule includes three main weeks of content, with specific dates and times for presentations and team formation.

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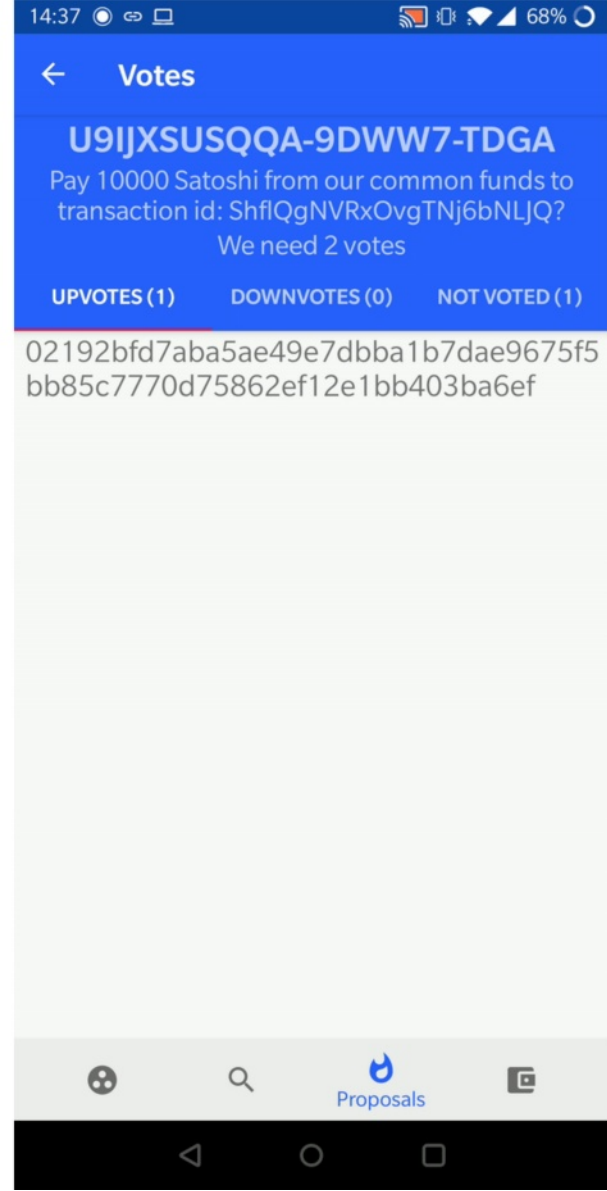
The following grading scheme is used. It prepares you for the [more complex master thesis grading scheme](#).

Please circle what is applicable	≤5 (fail)	6 (sufficient)	7 (satisfactory)	8 (good)	9 (very good)	
Quality of work (50%)	No running code. Live demo failed. No test code. Work done is not functional.	Minimal running code. No test code. Work done has minimal significance.	Work done has some significance.	Work has some contribution to the state-of-the-art in ledger science.	Work has contributed to the state-of-the-art in ledger science.	V c s t i l e
Quality processes (20%)	No unit testing and no stability	Minimal unit testing and minimal stability	Decent code coverage, stability, and quality assurance	Good testing with unit, module, and integration testing.	Great test code is the majority of produced code.	E c e q a
Planning (20%)	No weekly progress reporting. No compiling code in Week 2. Failing mid-term evaluation. No	minimal progress reporting, compiling code, and group	Sufficient progress reporting, compiling code, and group	Good progress reporting, compiling code, and group		

Goals after 10 weeks:

- You had fun and learned
- You have running code
- Ready for msc thesis

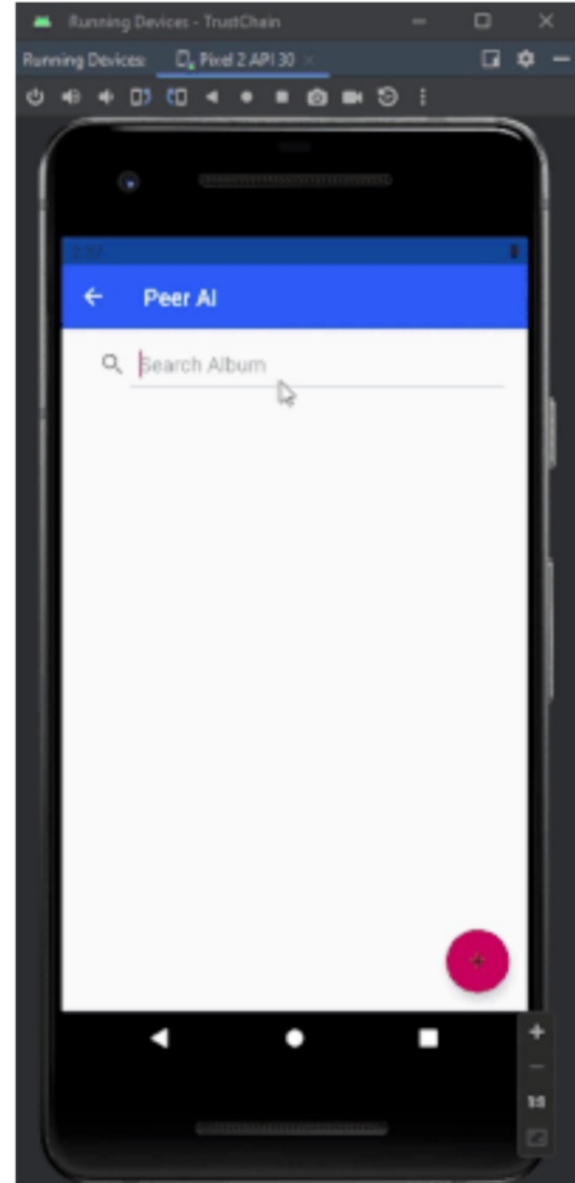
Lab goal: Fix Society



- Ready for msc thesis

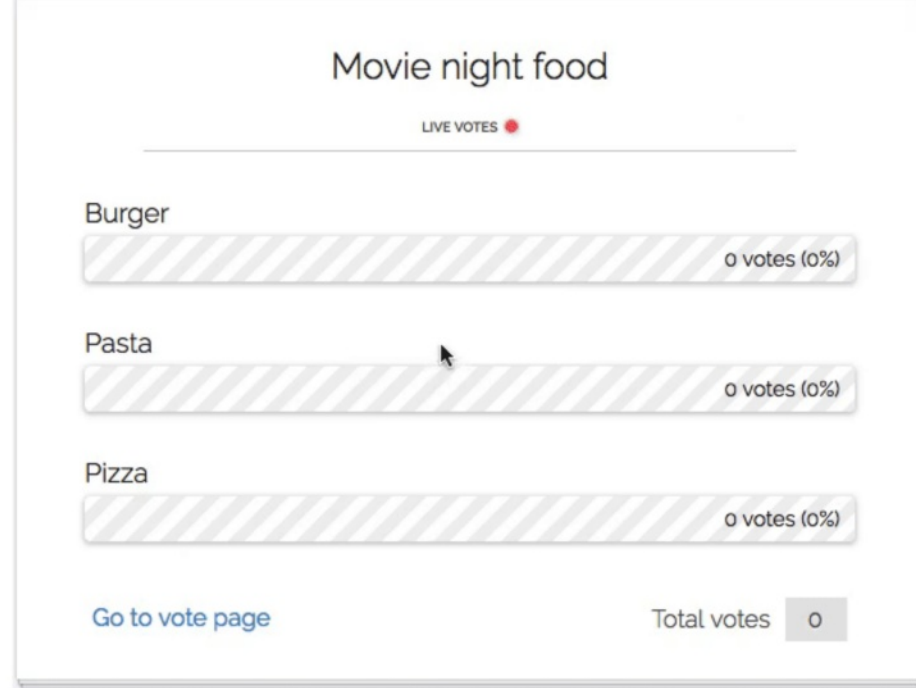
(Digital Euro, EU passport, DAO democracy, distributed AI..)

Lab goal: Fix Society



On-chain Democracy (1)

- Determine how easy/hard it is to create democracy
- Anybody can contribute to deliberation, democratic decision making, and self-governance
- Design principles: permissionless innovation, scalability, and censorship resilience



On-chain Democracy (2)

- Anybody can vote and influence the top proposal for new features
- Bounty market. Open market for developers to compete on new features
- Features are checked for security, quality, and performance.
- **(unsolved)** voting by fake identities
- **(unsolved)** voting by a billion people
- **(unsolved)** self-evolving systems



Democracy-1:

Blockchain networking



- Replay historical voting rounds on live network.
- Re-use existing ready-to-go datasets with DAO votes.
- Create ledger-based transaction blocks and share votes
- Binary transfer of bulk votes using QUIC.
- Focus on a single number: blockchain-data bits transfer
- **FIX and craft hardened code**

Democracy-2:

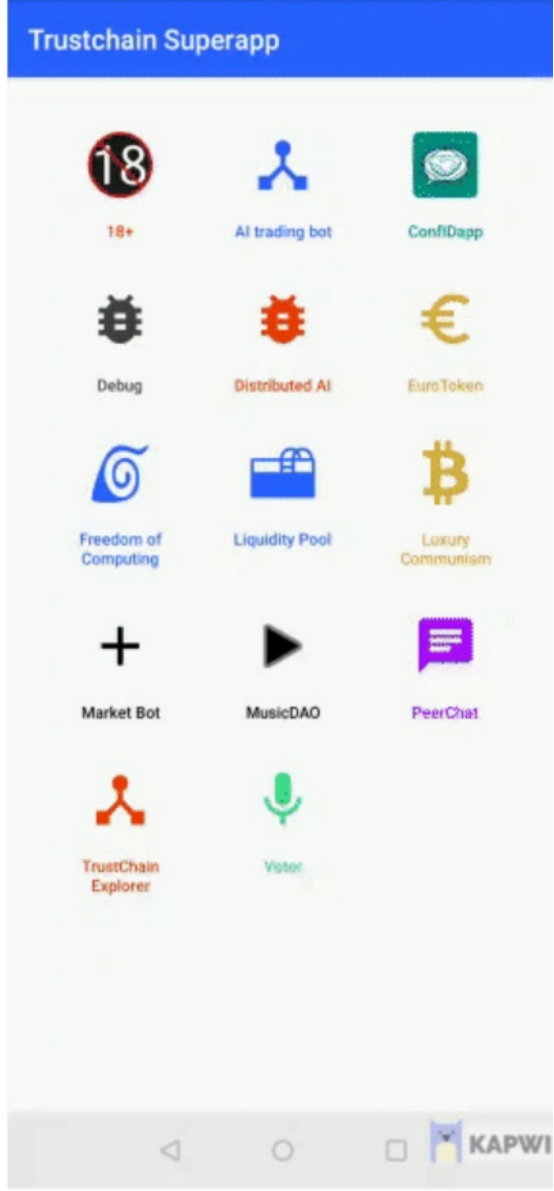
Crypto Core



- Analyse existing running code with multi-sig, taproot, Schnorr signatures, and threshold voting
- Analyse existing code running with 4 laptops. Add new debug dashboard of connected IPv4, last-response-time..
- Identify the exact location of security vulnerabilities such as lack of message signing, lack of pre-commitment..
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Democracy-3: self-evolving blockchain

- Kickstarter chain: ledger-based system with internal competitive market for mutation
- Democratic decisions for “good” mutations.
- Code and system upgrade using plugins.
Bypasses censorship by Google Store
- Re-produce prior problems such as connectivity of peers, DHT lookup, bounty...
- **FIX and craft hardened code**



Health-1: European Health Data Space

(team from Zeki Erkin @Cybersecurity)

- Enable health data to be used for research & other purposes
- Network, consisting of regulators, medical data providers and research institutions, uses a permissioned blockchain (Hyperledger Indy)
- Query medical data and track responses, PKI infra, modular design, data exchange, proof of transactions
- Examples: the number of (medical) devices in a certain area, the average age of people using such devices, etc.

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HOMework: compile the skeleton