

Identity, Trust & Data

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Does blockchain technology solve...

The Identity Problem



- The "quality" or "security" of a digital identity
- The relative "freedom" or independence of an identity from any given authority
- The source of trust for a digital identity

- o Privacy
- o Binding to real-world
- o Attributes, reputations
- Provenance,trustworthiness
- o Availability, persistence
- Auditability, nonrepudiability, etc



The Data Problem



Anthem: Hacked Database Included 78.8 Million People

Health insurer says data breach affected up to 70 million Anthem members



- Organizations are holding growing amounts of data
- Making them attractive to attacks
- Increasing their liabilities
- Impacting privacy of subjects & owners
- Ownership & sharing
- Metadata

The Trust Problem



- Technical trust vs Social trust
- Social trust today encoded as legal
- Legal Trust Framework defines "rules of the game" and resolves "exceptions"
- Standardization of LTF for identity & for data sharing

- "Trustless" not equivalent to"Trustworthy"
- Decentralization does not translate to trust
- o Is "trust" a consensus problem
- Smart Contracts, human errors
 & contrivances
- Smart malware

The Privacy Problem





- Data about human behavior has always been essential for both government and industry
- But how do we enable institutions to collect and analyze data without abusing that information

New Principles (OPAL):

- 1. Never allow raw data to leave repo
- 2. Data encrypted at all times, at rest & in computation
- 3. Aggregate answers only

