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• Public **blockchain**

- distributed ledger.
 - **block** : including "**proof**" for validation check.
 - **chain** : a growing sequence of **blocks** connected by their hash values.

- **consensus** system

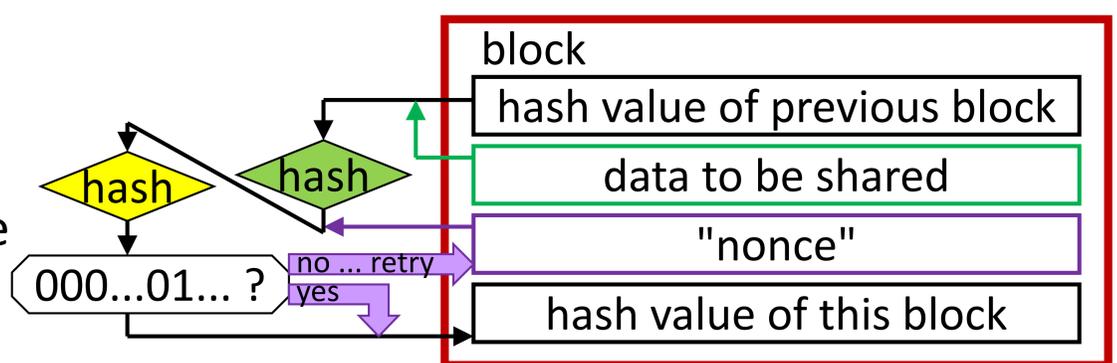
among untrusted entities.

- (unpredictable) **block** generation with "**proof**".
- broadcasting it (in the blockchain network).
- accepting the new **block** if **valid**.
 - then going to next block generation.
- eventually reaching a **consensus** on the longest **chain**.
 - in the **majority** of honest entities.

- adopted in many cryptocurrencies (e.g. Bitcoin [1]).

• Security of proof-of-work based blockchain

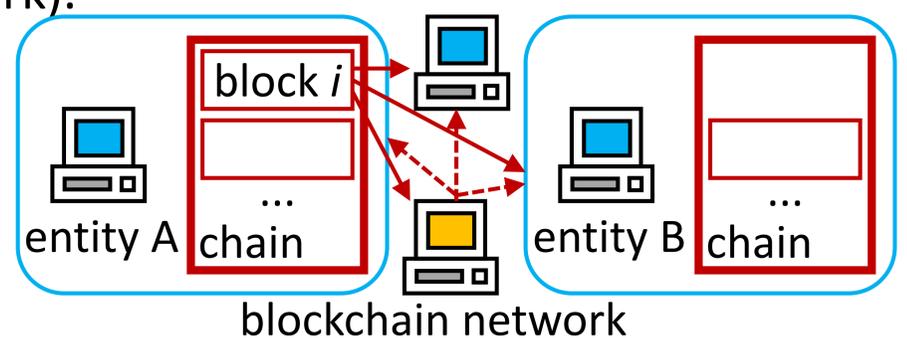
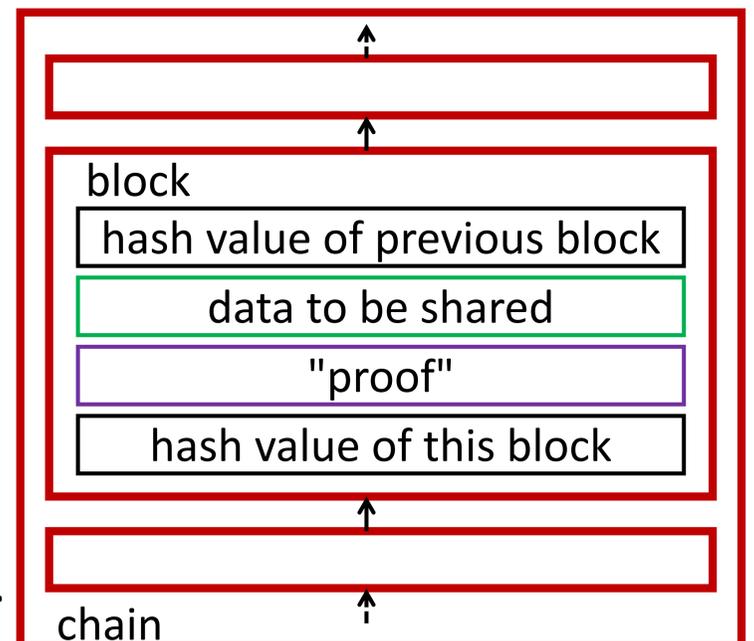
- proof-of-work : finding a suitable "**nonce**" embedded in the block, whose resulting hash value should be less than the "**difficulty level**".



- We formalized parameter dependencies of security bounds [3].

- number of honest/adversarial entities, hashing power, difficulty level, ...

- in the framework of an existing work [2].



[1] Satoshi Nakamoto, "Bitcoin: A peer-to-peer electronic cash system", <https://bitcoin.org/bitcoin.pdf> (2009)

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[3] Takurou Hosoi, Kanta Matsuura, "Security Proof of POW-Based Blockchain Revisited: Explicit Formulation and Implications", 23th International Conference on Financial Cryptography and Data Security (FC2019), poster (February 2019).