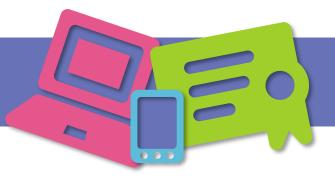
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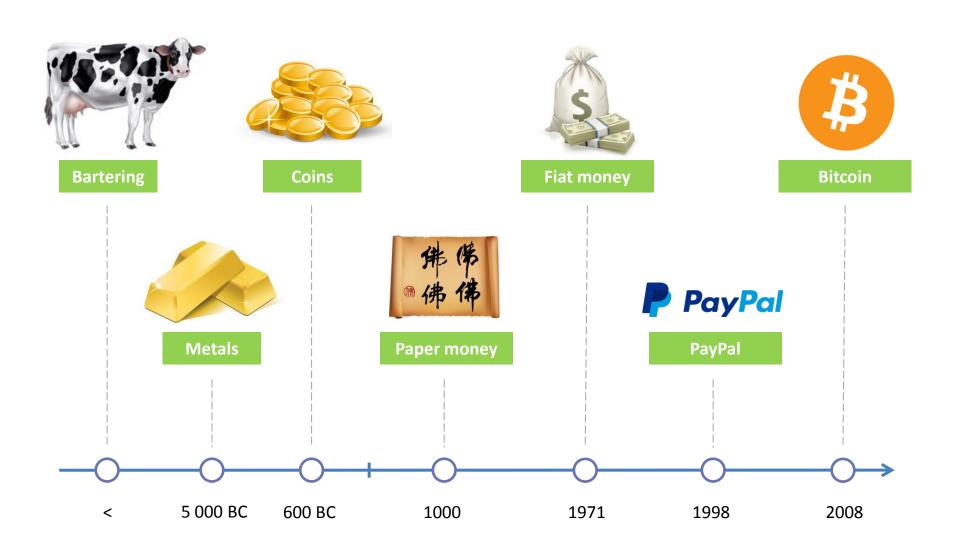


Bitcoin

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History of money





Fiat money

- Backed solely by the authority of a governing body and the trust of the public
- Currently, the main payment method in almost every country





Bitcoin

- First decentralized cryptocurrency
- What is the difference between bitcoin and the other existing payment systems?
 - Independent from fiat money
 - Independent from user's country
 - Decentralized
 - Low transaction fees (0.5 CZK)





Who accepts bitcoin?

















And many more...

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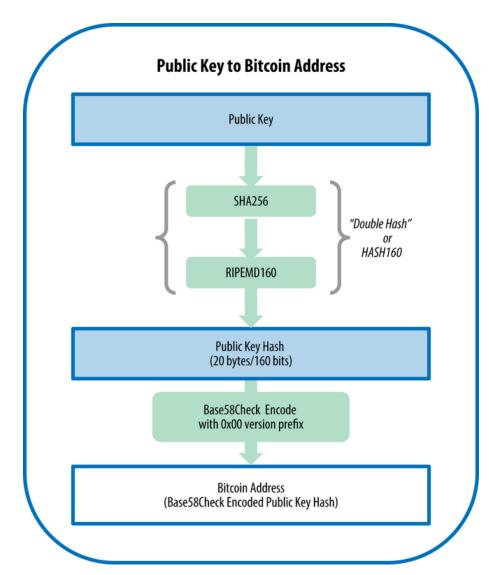


Address

- Unique identifier of transaction recipient based on ECDSA public and private key pair
- Abstraction of bank account
- It is possible to generate unlimited amount of bitcoin addresses
- An example of bitcoin address: 3J98t1WpEZ73CNmQviecrnyiWrnqRhWNLy



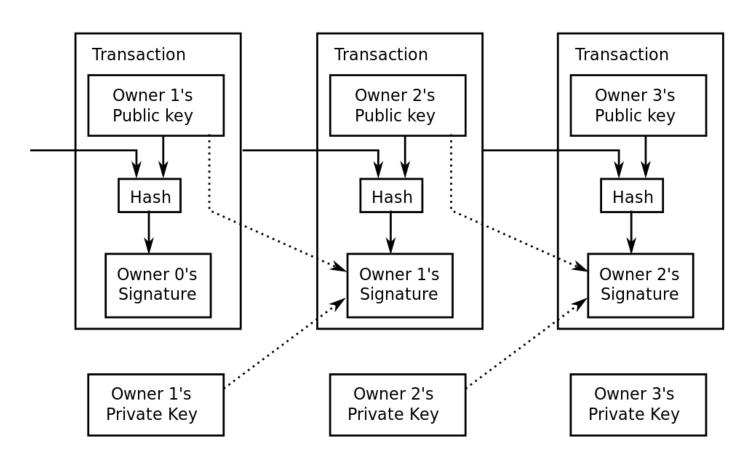
Address





Transaction

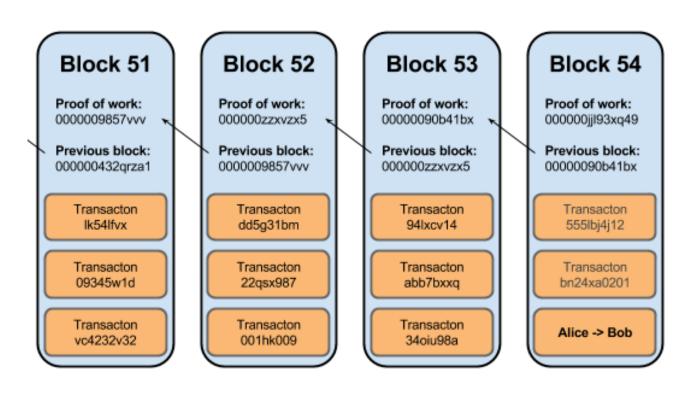
 Transfer of bitcoins from a bitcoin address to another address





Block chain

 Winner of proof of work lottery is allowed to add new block of transactions to the block chain and get a reward in a form of bitcoins





Proof of work

- Find x such that hash(c||x) < target
- Let c = "Hello, world!" and $target = 2^{224}$, then:

```
"Hello, world!0" \rightarrow 1312af178c253f84028d480a6adc1e25e8...
"Hello, world!1" \rightarrow e9afc424b79e4f6ab42d99c81156d3a172...
"Hello, world!2" \rightarrow ae37343a357a8297591625e7134cbea22f...
"Hello, world!4248" \rightarrow 6e110d98b388e77e9c6f042ac6b497c...
"Hello, world!4249" \rightarrow c004190b822f1669cac8dc37e761cb7...
"Hello, world!4250" \rightarrow 0000c3af42fc31103f1fdc0151fa747...
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x = 4250



Mining

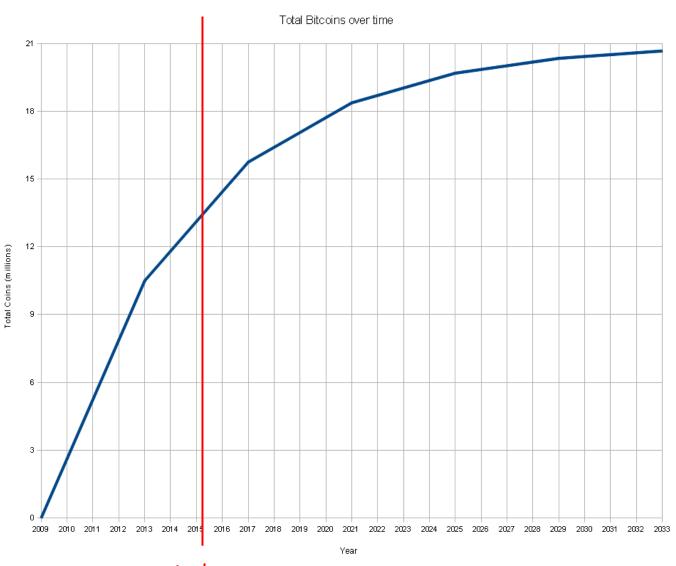
Every block creates 50 BTC. This value halves every 210 000 blocks. Therefore, maximal amount of available bitcoins is the sum of the geometric series :

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{210\ 000 \cdot 50}{2^n} = 210\ 000 \cdot 50 \cdot \frac{1-0}{1-0.5} = 21\ 000\ 000\ BTC$$

 ~ 13 840 400 BTC = 77 703 404 802 CZK have been mined until today

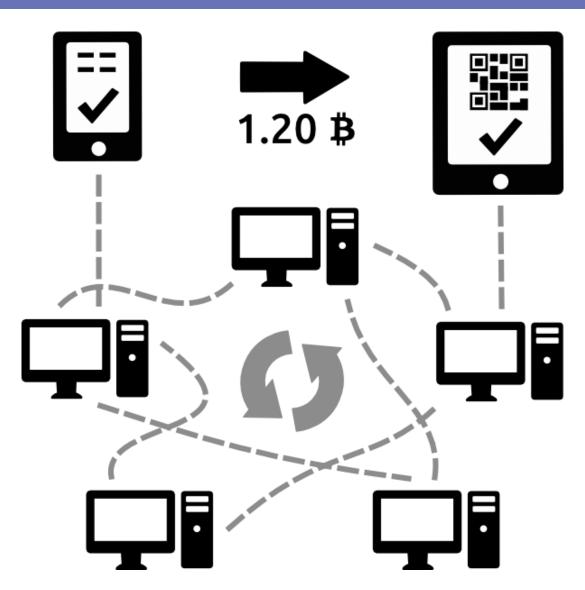


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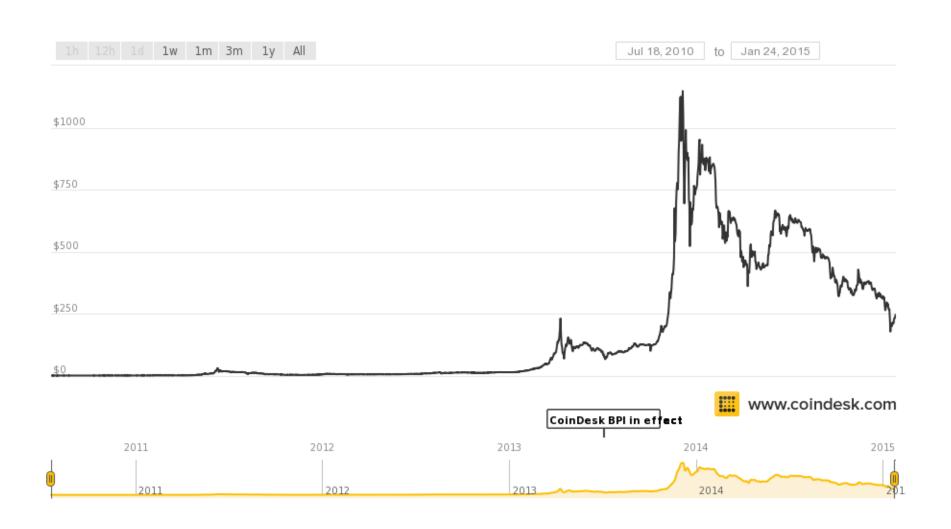


P2P network



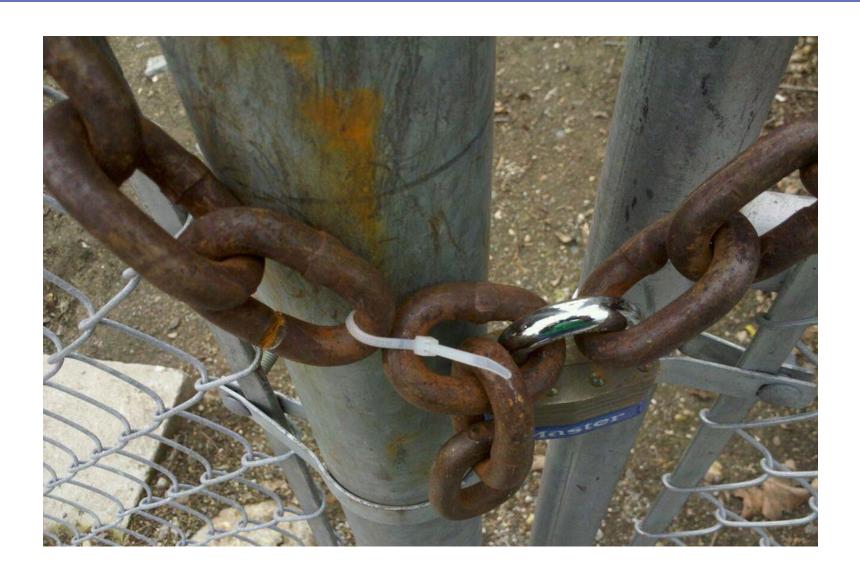


Volatility



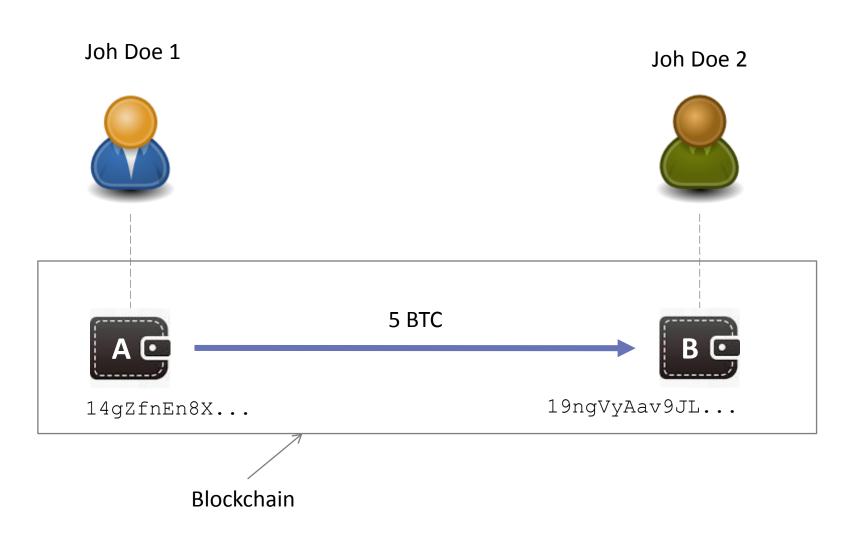


What about security?





Pseudonymity





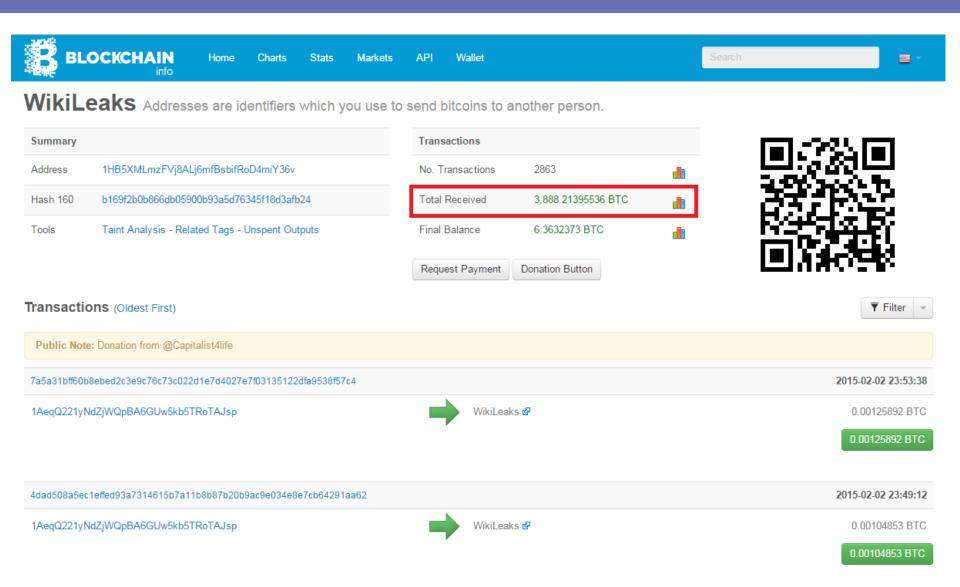
Donate buttons

- Reveals overall sum of donated bitcoins
- Reveals all donor's addresses
- Reveals all payments from the donation wallet





Blockchain analysis

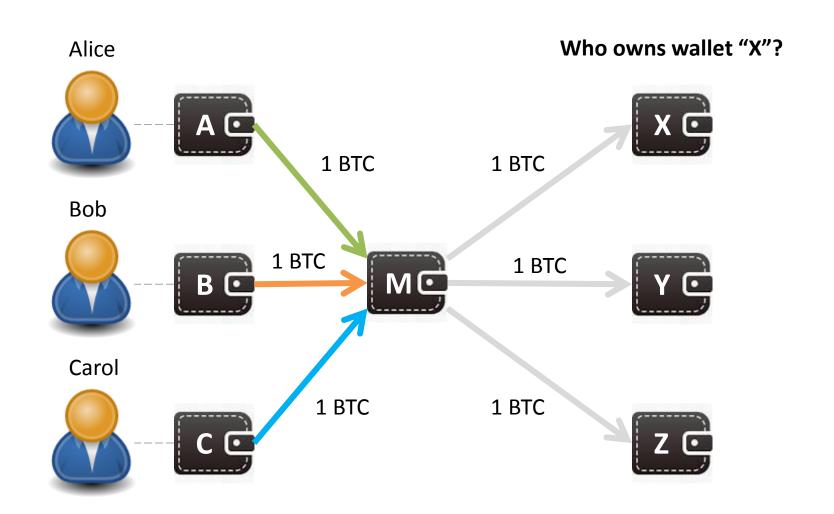


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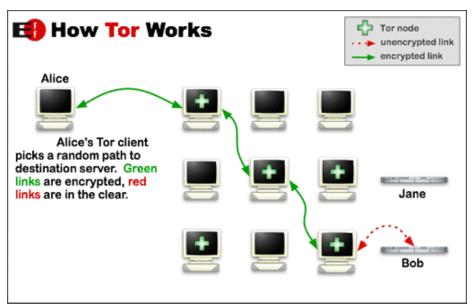
Mixing service

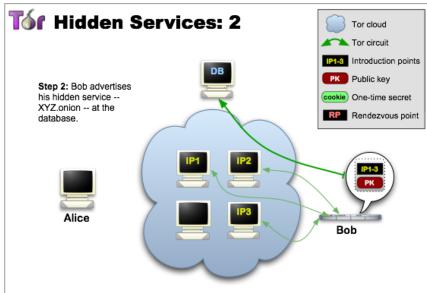




Tor

- The most used anonymity network
- Can hide identity of the client and the server







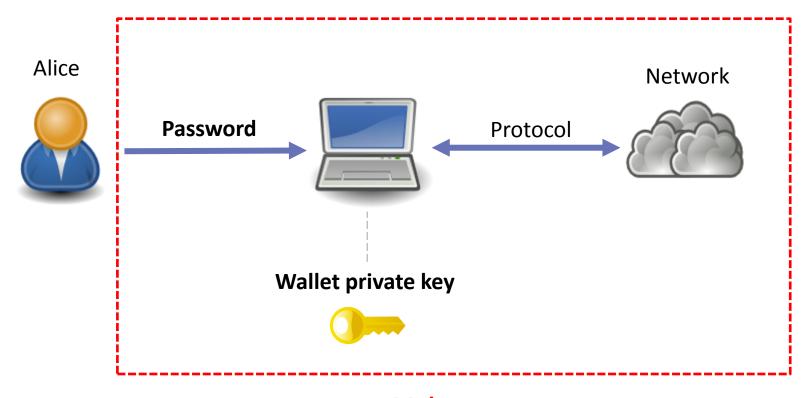
Cryptolocker, CTB Locker ...

- Malware that encrypts HDD and demands ransom in bitcoins in exchange for decryption key
- Communicates with C&C server over Tor





One-factor bitcoin authentication



Malware zone

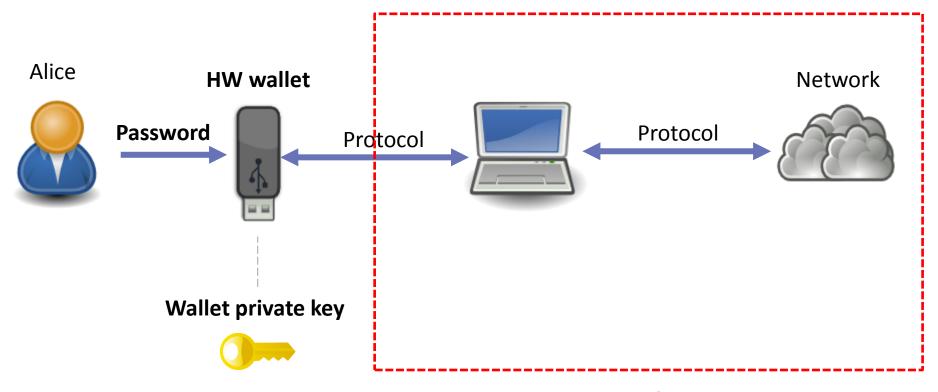


BadUSB

Video



Two-factor bitcoin authentication



Malware zone



HW wallet

Private key never leaves the HW wallet







Payment URL

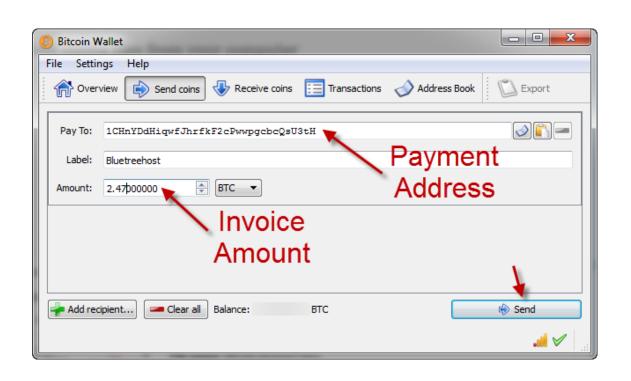
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<a href="bitcoin:1CHn...3tH?amount=2.47">Pay By Bitcoin</a>
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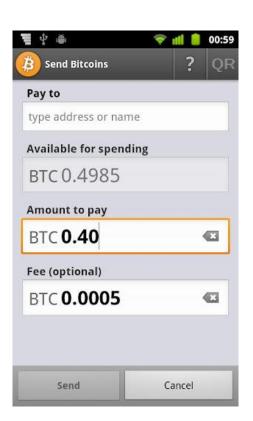




Payment URL

Merchant's address and amount are not signed







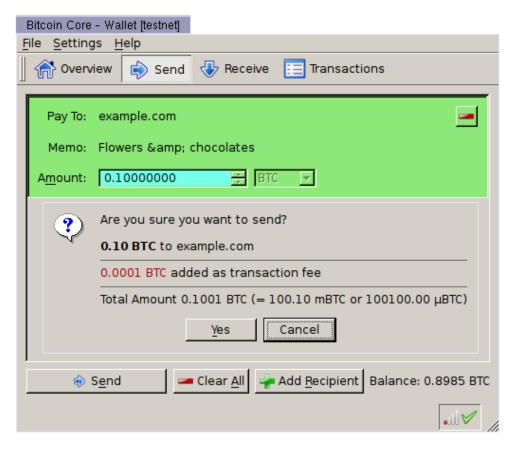
Payment request

```
## Request creation time
details.time = int(time()) ## Current epoch (Unix) time
## Request expiration time
details.expires = int(time()) + 60 * 10 ## 10 minutes from now
## PaymentDetails is complete; serialize it and store it in
PaymentRequest
request.serialized payment details = details.SerializeToString()
## Serialized certificate chain
request.pki data = x509.SerializeToString()
## Initialize signature field so we can sign the full
PaymentRequest
request.signature = ""
## Sign PaymentRequest
request.signature = sign(private key,
request.SerializeToString(), "sha256")
```



Payment request

Merchant's address and amount are signed by domain SSL certificate





Summary

- Advantages
 - Cheap international payments
 - Secure (does not depend of third party)
 - Very easy to use for the merchants and the customers

- Disadvantages
 - Privacy issues if used in a wrong way
 - High volatility of value
 - Unsettled legal status (some use cases lay in gray area)



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