From influencers to a digitized productive society: Looking into the future digital economy through metaverses

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Self introduction



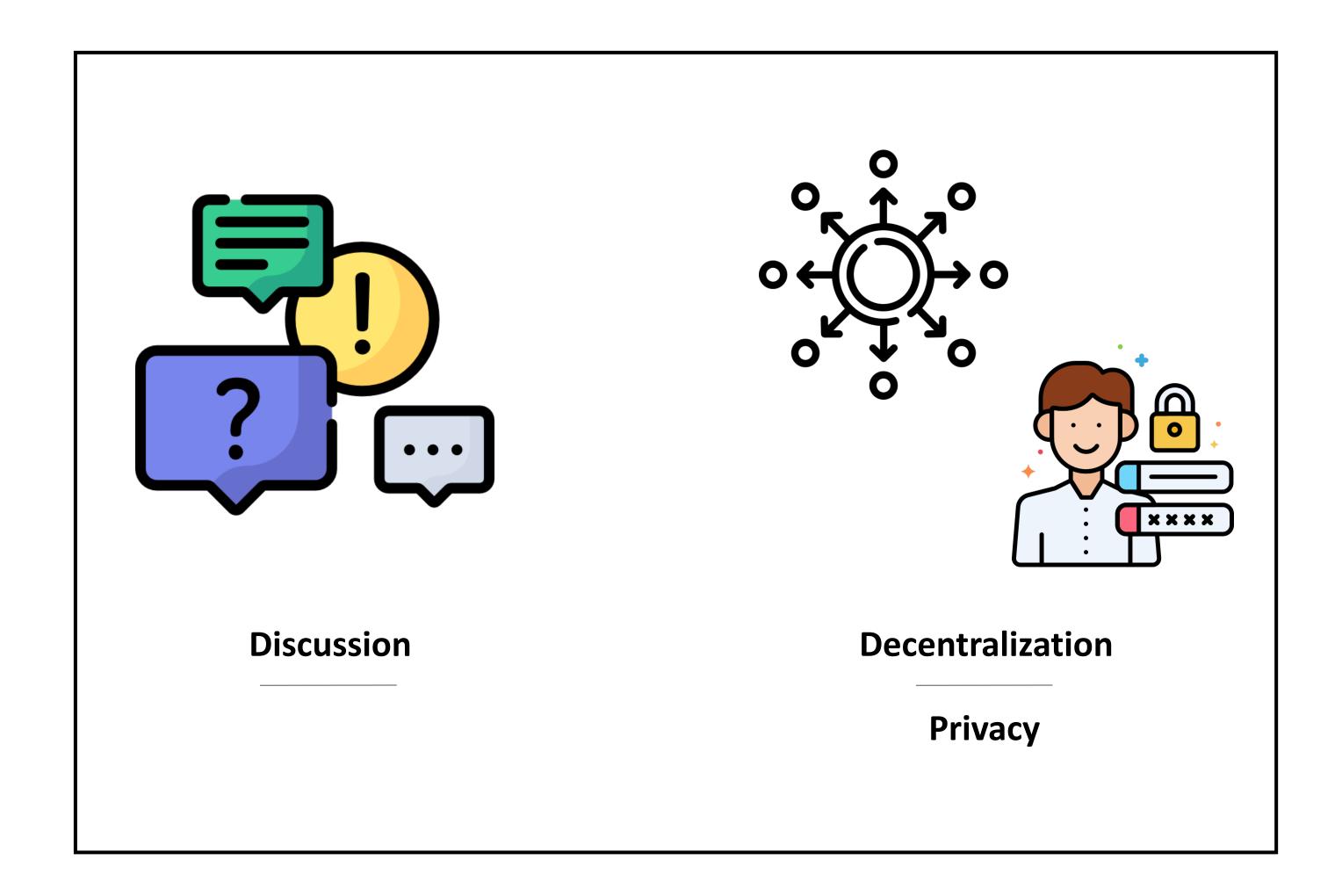
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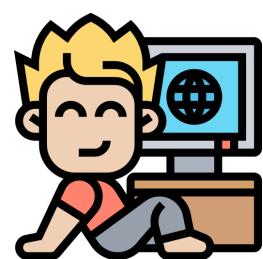
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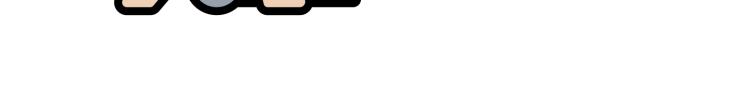
Introduction to metaverse

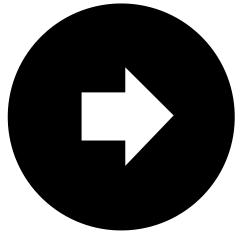


Changing nature of online interaction



Passive consumer

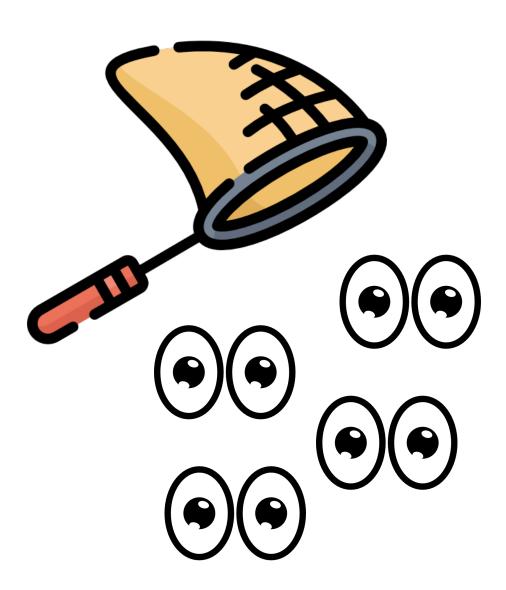








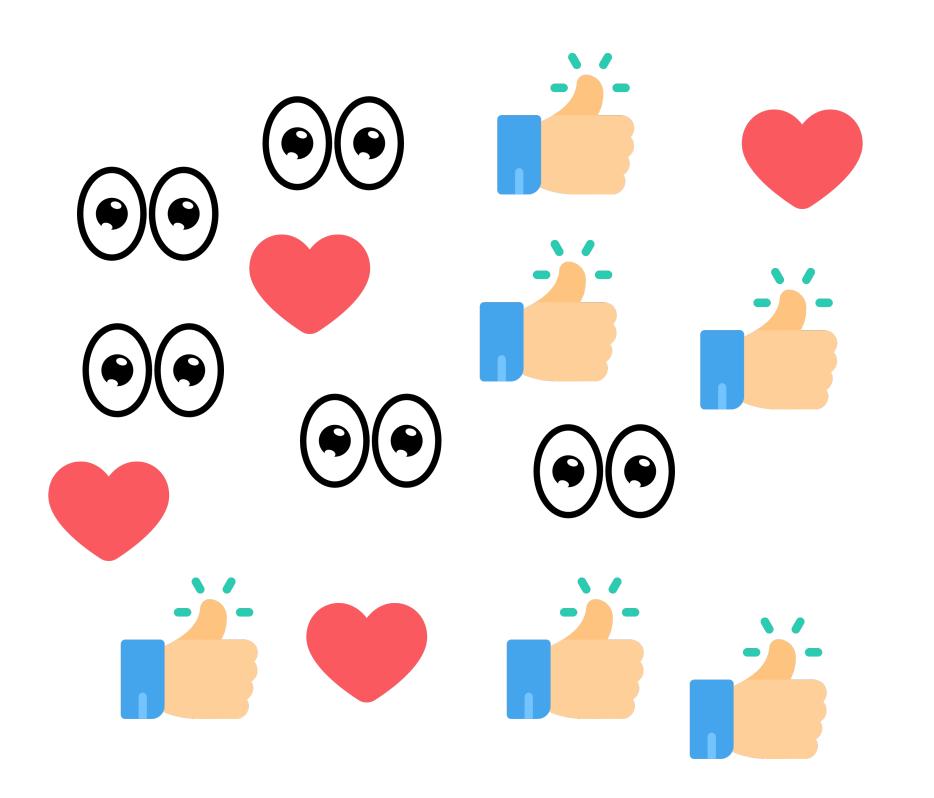
Creator



Capture difficulty

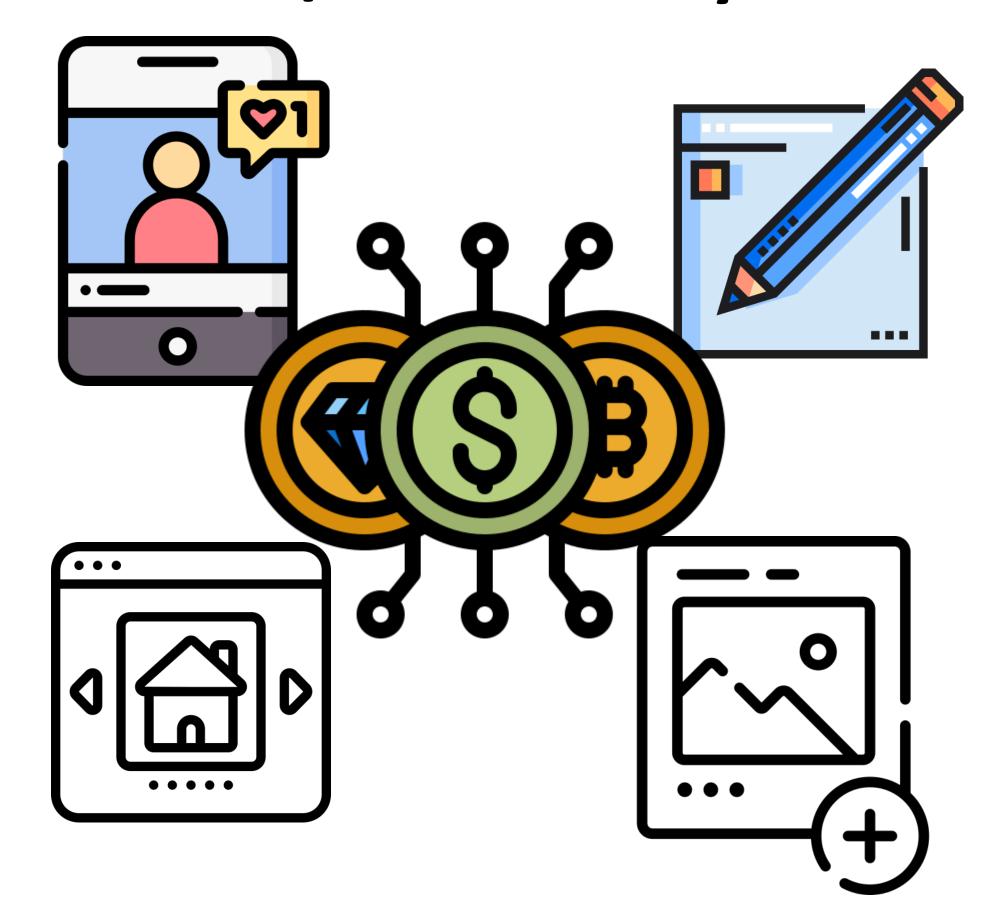
Easy mode

Eyeballs and attention



Hard mode

Assets / Monetary value



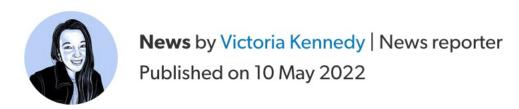
Unnatural interface: Digital assets + Traditional laws

VPN provider bans BitTorrent after getting sued by film studios



Fortnite cheater forced to pay up after Epic lawsuit

Full sum to go to charity.



Handling BitTorrent File Sharing Lawsuit Threats 101

By Phil Nicolosi, J.D.

You may be involved in a bitTorrent or file sharing lawsuit as a "John Doe" defendant. Have you recently received a letter from either your Internet Service Provider (ISP) or an attorney claiming to represent the copyright holder of certain files you allegedly have illegally downloaded/distributed over the Internet?

Such a letter from your Internet service provider says that they have been compelled to reveal your personal account information in connection with a subpoena. The letter will refer to an IP address associated with your account that has allegedly been used to download or "share" files over the Internet, usually adult content videos, through BitTorrent or other peer-to-peer sharing networks.

Slow/delayed response Costly process Lopsided authority

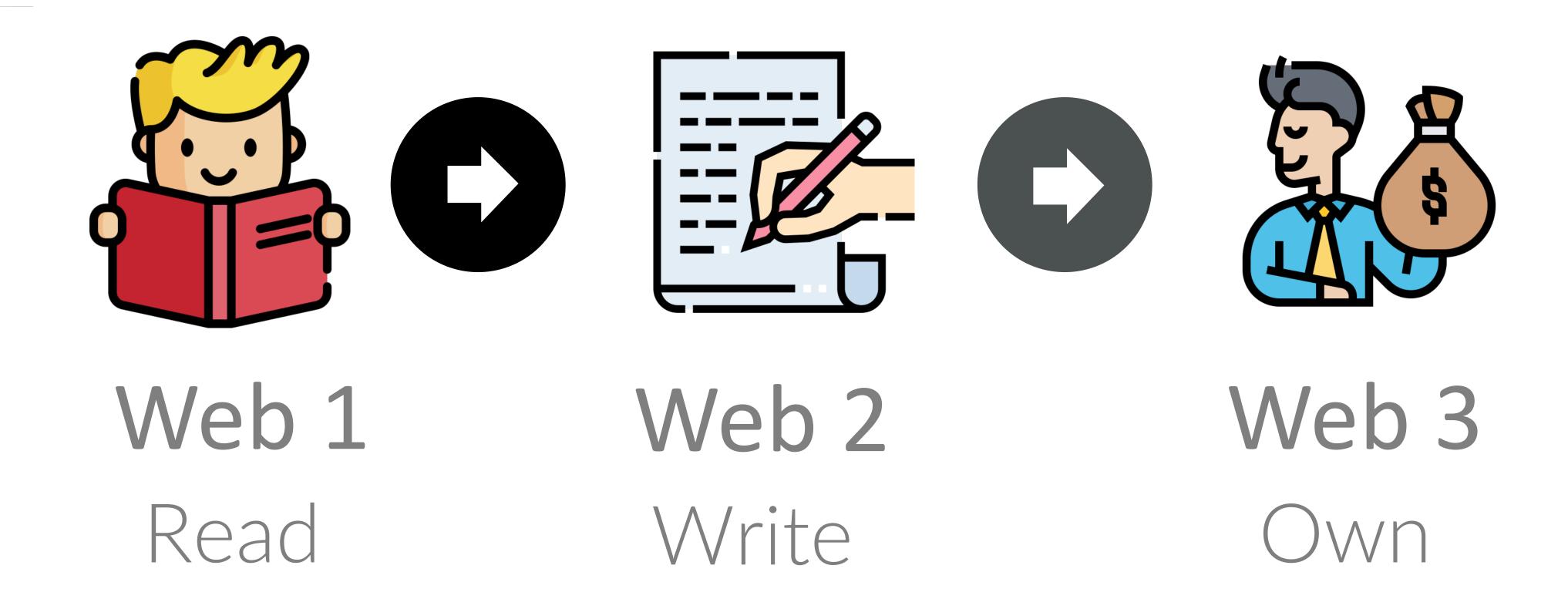
Comparing asset features

(w/ blockchain)

Productivity Verifiability Scarcity (demand) Real Estate Non-blockchain Digital assets Digital assets

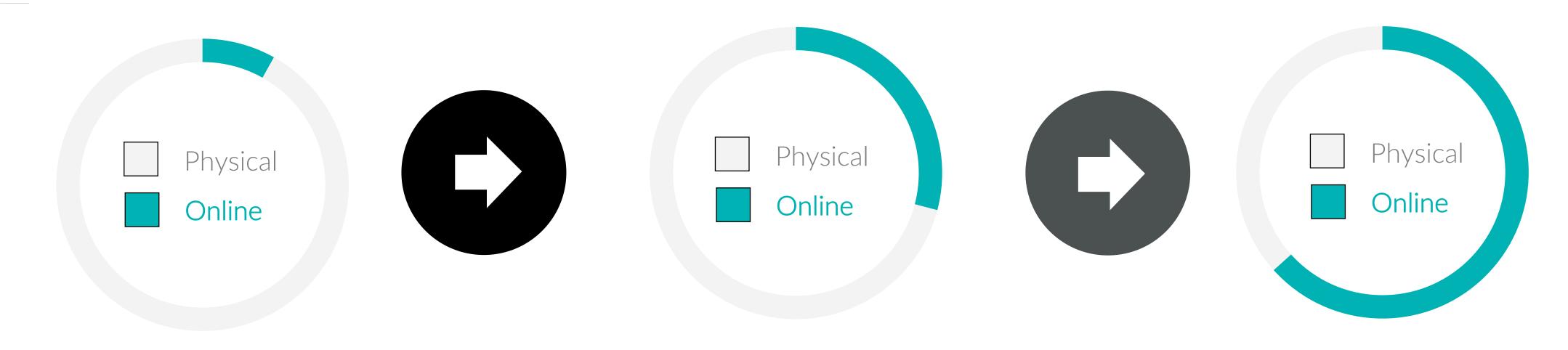
A larger portion of people's life shifts online, the digitized economy will command a larger portion of economic productivity.

Web 3



Users own the content they create and can monetize / utilize it freely. Digital copyright

Metaverse



Physical

Dominance

Mixed

Metaverse

"The metaverse is the moment in time where our digital life is worth more to us than our phsyical life."

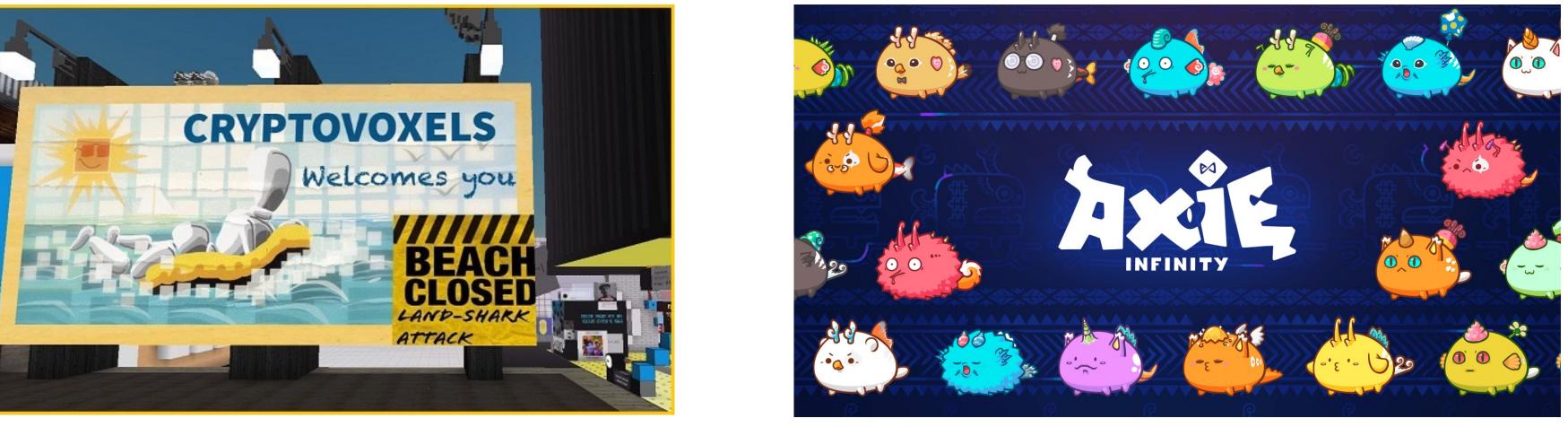
Shaan Puri Chairman, The Milk Road

Metaverse has emerged with the development of Web3.0, having new virtual economy









Besides games, what can we expect to see in Metaverse?

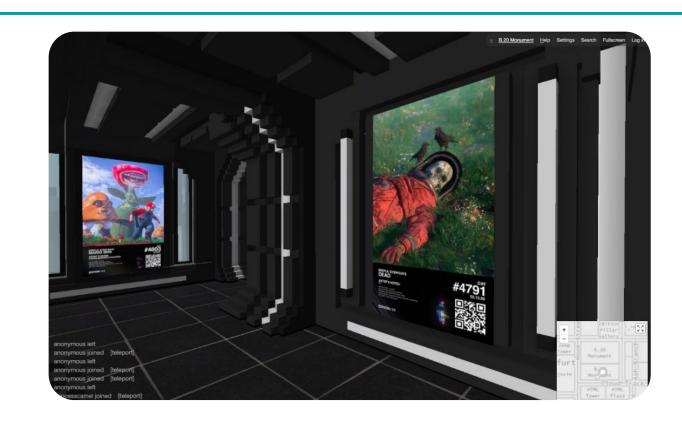
Headquarters



Consensys's new HQ

- Launched in Apr 2021
- Gather and share real-world and virtual-world ideas
- Meet for virtual drinks, host talks, NFT exhibits, team and client meetings

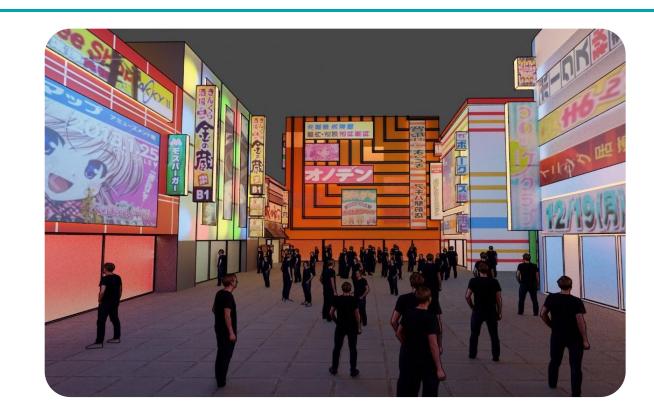
Museum



B.20 Museum

- Launched in Jan 2021
- Metapurse, an investment fund, purchase NFTs named "Everydays: The First 5,000 Days"
- Designed by Voxel Architects

Shopping District



<u>Metajuku</u>

- Launched June 2021
- Inspired by Harajuku
- Stores are leased and operated by third-party digital wearables brands.

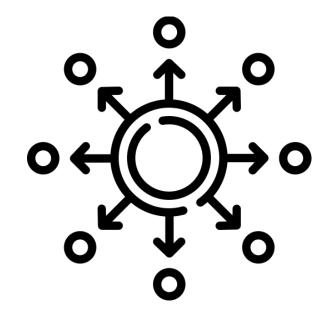


Discussion

- Explore two cases: Decentralization + Privacy
- Discussion of concept and contrast different solutions

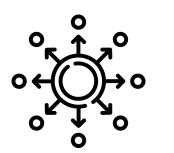
- Type out Pros/Cons in chat
- Or, reflect together at the end of each discussion case

Decentralization





Privacy



Ledger Decentralization

Centralized



Just like tradition finance, a ledger is an account or record used to store bookkeeping entries created when user generates a transaction.

Decentralized



For transparency, the ledger is public and everyone one the blockchain will get a copy of the transaction

Centralized







Cheap

Familiar

It works!

Attack risk

Centralized

Censorship

Corruption

Decentralized



Resilient to attacks

Decentralized

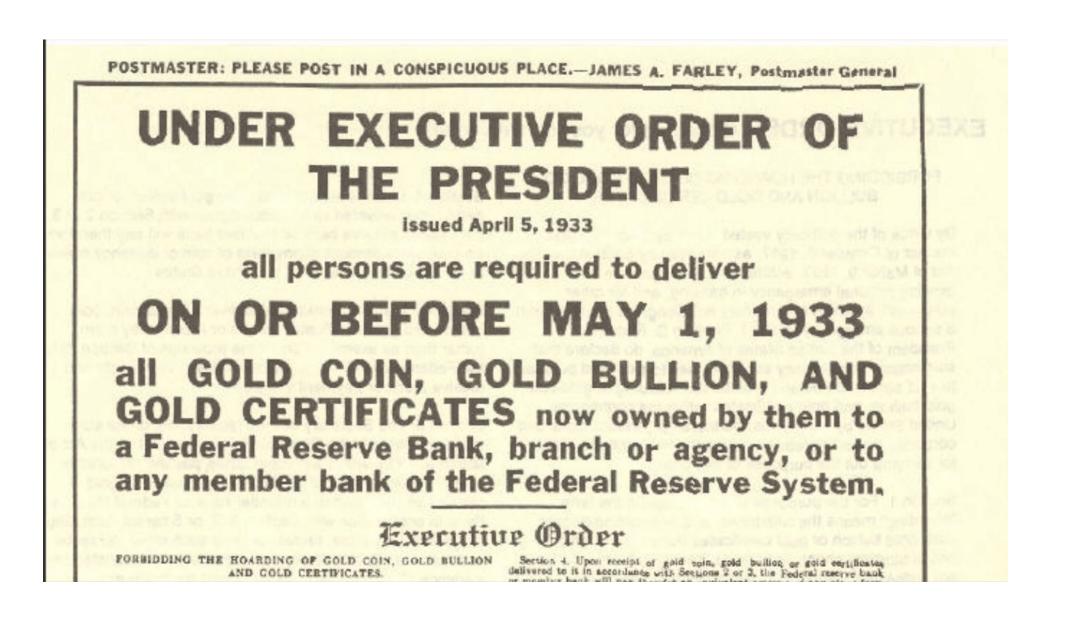
Censorship resistant

Less corruption

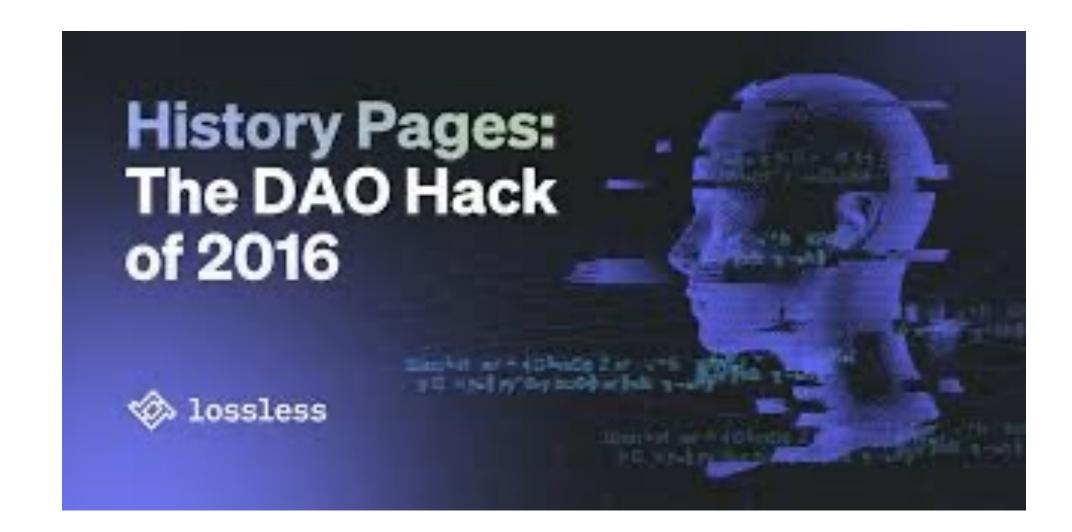
Less proven tech
Unfamiliar
Digital only

Example cases

Executive order 6102: Gold ban



The DAO's hack on Ethereum 2016



Challenges

- "Ownership" of stolen assets?
- Two socities using two different ledgers. If disagree, which to use?
- Fewer control for governments? People have more power? Less safety net?



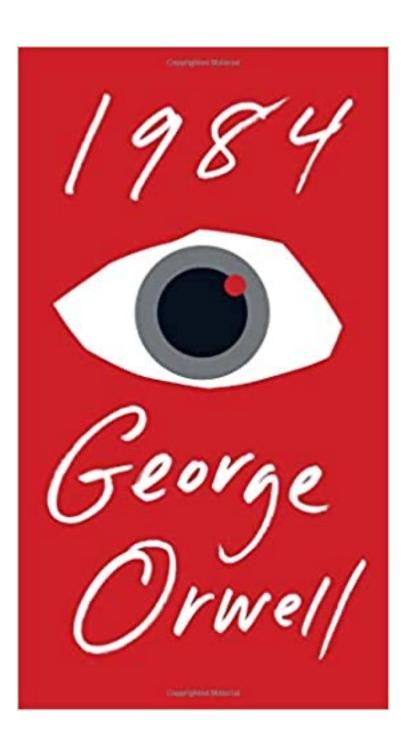


Transaction privacy spectrum









Surveillance state (Orwell's "1984")

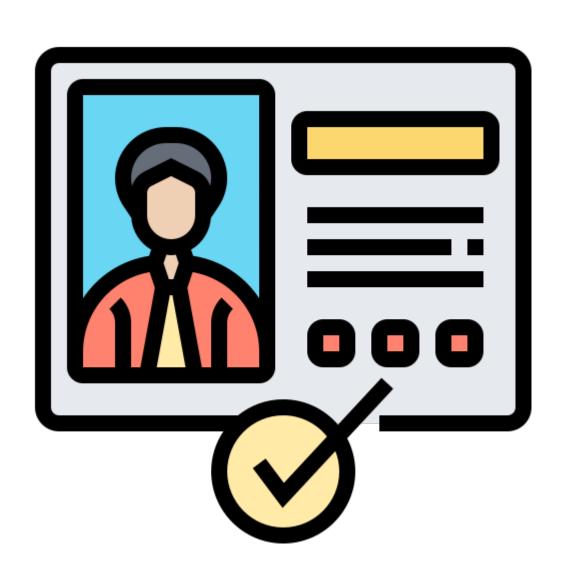
Anonymous vs identified



Increase innovation

Basic human rights

Free-market conforming



Anti-corruption

Tax tracking

Create social trust

Fully anonymous



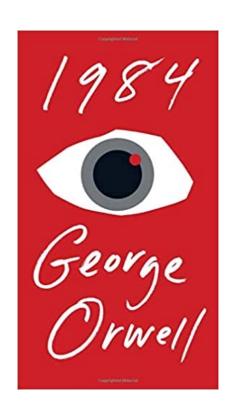


Increase innovation
Basic human rights



Money laundering risks
Shadow economy
Tragedy of the commons

Surveillance



No illicit money
Prone to corruption
Everything is tracked

Stifle innovations
Violating human rights

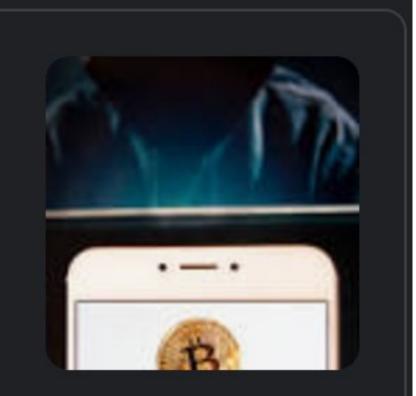
Example cases



Hackers behind Colonial Pipeline attack reportedly received \$90 million in bitcoin before shutting down

DarkSide, the hacker group behind the Colonial ransomware attack, received \$90 million in bitcoin ransom payments, according to blockchain...

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Challenges

- How much anonymity should we allow?
- The inefficacy of the current money laundering effort as reported by the UN (success rate at 0.2%)



Thank you!