# Introduction to **Blockchain Technology** and Its Applications

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# What is blockchain technology

This slide covers a brief introduction to the concept of blockchain. It also includes the significant benefits of blockchain, such as enhanced security, greater transparency, instant traceability, increased efficiency and automation.

Blockchain is a decentralized system of recording information, making it impossible to change or hack once the data is stored on its network

## Major Benefits of Blockchain

### Enhanced Security

- Prevents fraud and unauthorized activity by creating immutable and encrypted records
- Distributed storage and permissions restricts the access data, ensuring greater security

### Greater Transparency

- Distributed ledger ensures that all participants view the same information simultaneously
- Transactions are time-stamped, immutable, and transparent, reducing fraud opportunities

### Instant Traceability

- Creates an audit trail that documents the journey and provenance of an asset
- Enables sharing of data directly with customers and helps identify weaknesses in supply chains.

### Increased Efficiency and Speed

- Streamlines process, eliminating paper-based documentation and the need for third-party mediation
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### Automation

- Smart contracts automate transactions based on pre-specified conditions, increasing efficiency
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# Major components of blockchain technology

This slide covers the key elements of a blockchain, such as a ledger, smart contracts, consensus network, membership, events, systems management, wallet, and systems integration.

## Ledger

- Records all transactions in a blockchain network
- Participants have permission to oversee transactions with public or private access

## Smart Contract

- Automated legal agreement enabling secure sharing of assets without intermediaries
- Reduces fraud and illegal activities, enforcing obligations automatically

## Consensus Network

- Rules governing decision-making in a blockchain network
- Distributed consensus involves multiple participants reaching agreements

## Membership

- Assigns unique identities to blockchain participants
- Trusted agency issues certificates for network access

## Events

- Provides notifications of important operations on the blockchain
- Keeps users informed about transactions and other significant activities

## Systems Integration

- Connects blockchain with external systems for interoperability.
- Enables bi-directional communication and integration with other technologies

## Wallet

- Secure digital container for storing user credentials and transaction records
- Maintains privacy and security of participants' details and assets

## Systems Management

- Defines, modifies, and enforces rules for error-free blockchain operations
- System manager ensures smooth functioning of the network

# Different layers of blockchain technology

This slide covers the five different layers of blockchain technology. The mentioned blockchain layers are application consensus, network, data, and hardware.


**Application Layer**
- User-facing applications and interfaces are built on top of blockchain technology
- Includes decentralized applications (DApps) and smart contracts
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**Consensus Layer**
- Ensures agreement and validity of transactions across the network
- Implements consensus algorithms (e.g., PoW, PoS) for securing the blockchain
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**Network Layer**
- Infrastructure connecting nodes and facilitating communication
- Utilizes P2P network protocols (e.g., TCP/IP) for data transmission
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**Data Layer**
- Storage and management of blockchain data
- Includes the distributed ledger and data structures like Merkle trees
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**Hardware Layer**
- Physical infrastructure supporting the blockchain network
- Involves computers, servers, and mining equipment used for network operation
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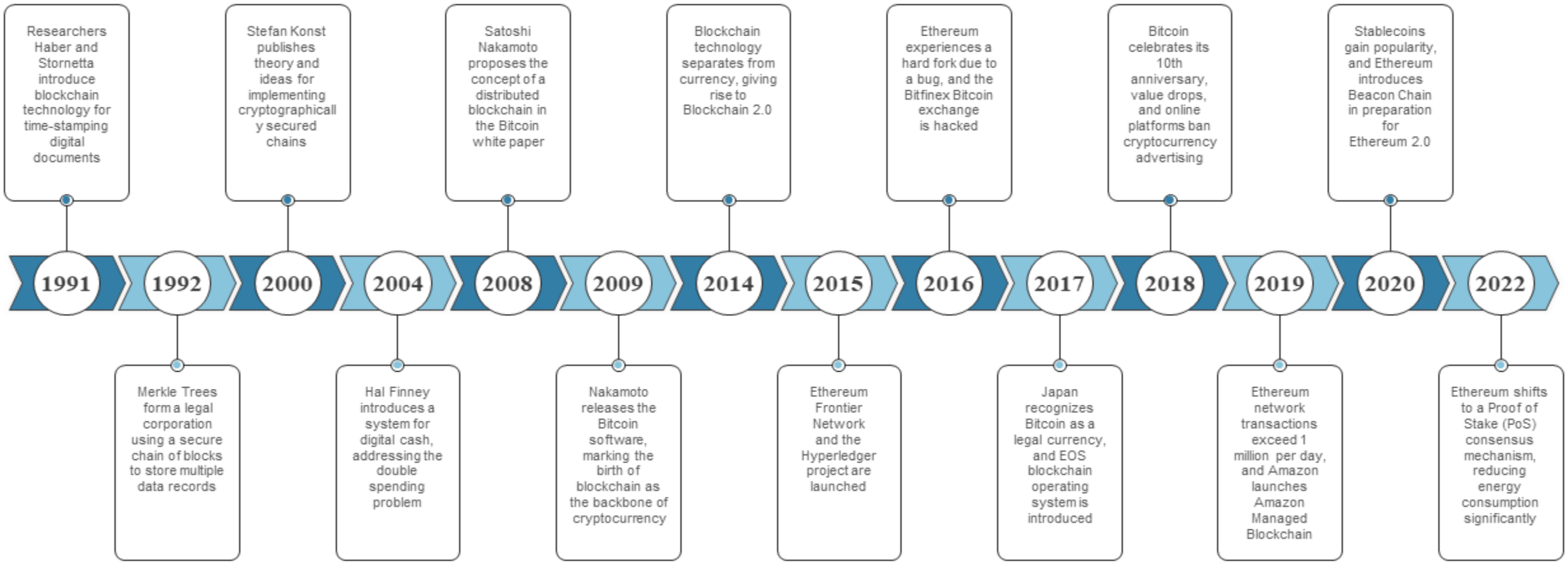
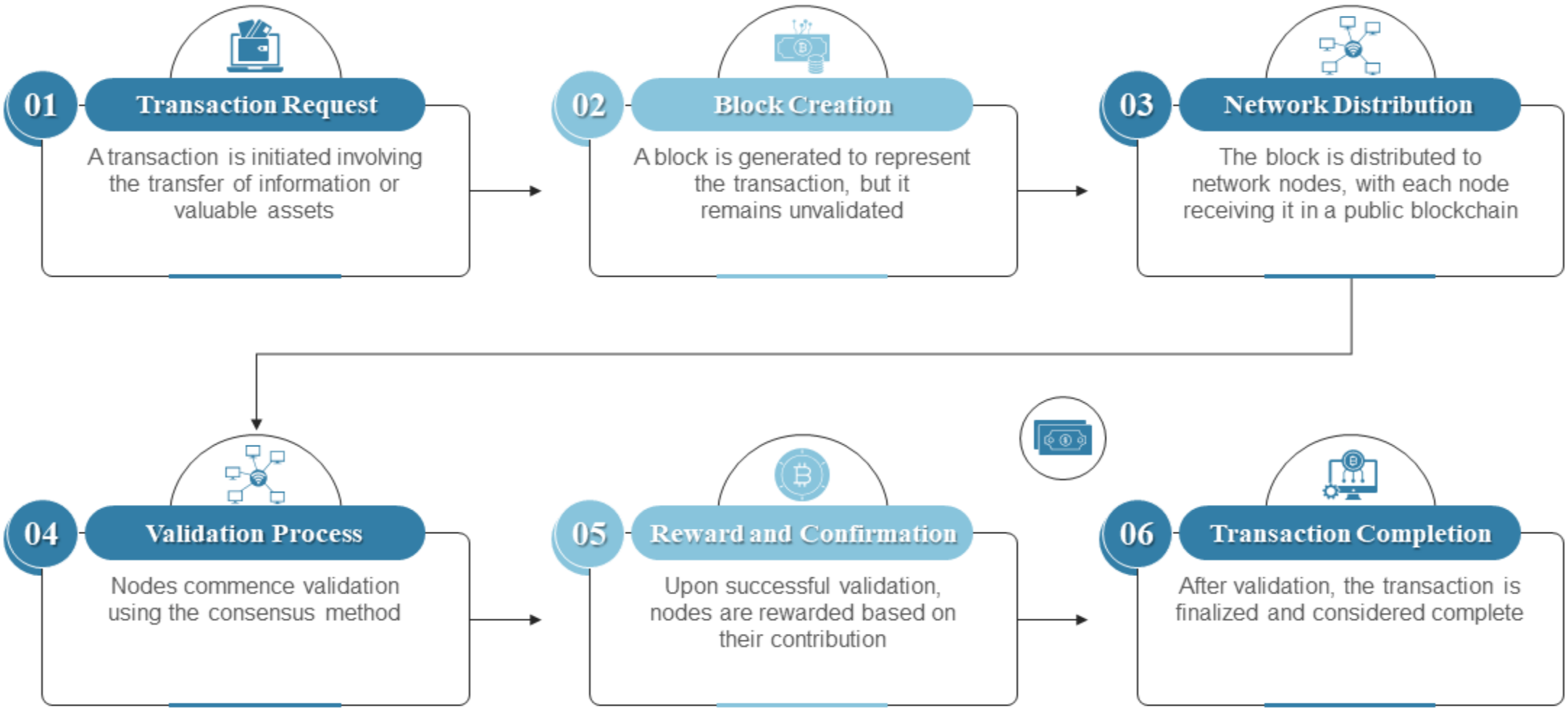
# Evolution timeline of blockchain technology

This slide covers the brief history of blockchain technology. It includes the introduction of blockchain for time-stamping digital documents, using it for digital cash, addressing the double spending problem, releasing the Bitcoin software, marking the birth of blockchain as the backbone of cryptocurrency, etc.



# How does blockchain works

This slide covers the process of blockchain operations. It includes various steps such as transaction request, block creation, network distribution, validation process, reward and confirmation and transaction completion.



# What is block in blockchain and how it works

This slide covers an overview of the concept of blocks in blockchain networks. It also includes the functions of blocks, such as collection of transactions, verification, and validation, linking blocks, security, immutability, and process continuation.

A block in blockchain is a collection of data containing transactions, timestamp, and a unique identifier that serves as a fundamental unit of storage and information in the blockchain network

## How do blocks work in blockchain?

**Collection of Transactions**

- Transactions are grouped together in a block
- Block contains data about multiple transactions

**Verification and Validation**

- Miners/validators validate transactions within a block
- Consensus algorithm ensures agreement on the validity of the block

**Linking Blocks**

- Blocks are linked together using unique identifiers and references
- Forms a chain of blocks known as the blockchain

**Security and Immutability**

- Data within a block is secure and difficult to alter
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**Continuation of the Process**

- New blocks are added as new transactions occur
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# What are blockchain nodes and how do they work

This slide covers an overview of the concept of nodes in blockchain networks. It also includes the functions of nodes, such as data propagation, consensus mechanism, network security, and transaction validation.

Nodes in a blockchain are individual computers or devices that participate in the network to maintain a copy of the entire blockchain, validate transactions, and contribute to the consensus process

## How do blockchain nodes work?

### Data Propagation

- Share information with others, propagating transactions and blocks
- Ensures all nodes have an up-to-date copy, maintaining network integrity

### Consensus Mechanism

- Participate in consensus to agree on transaction order and validity
- Different algorithms like PoW or PoS determine how nodes reach consensus

### Network Security

- Distributed nodes enhance blockchain security by preventing malicious activities
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### Transaction Validation

- Verify transaction validity based on factors like digital signatures and consensus rules
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