

# WHY AI

All is the next electricity; it will be the main force behind development like how electricity played a major role in world development during the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

– Professor Andrew Ng, Stanford University



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# Data Is The New Oil, Analytics Is The Refinery, and Intellegence is the Gasoline Which Drives Growth



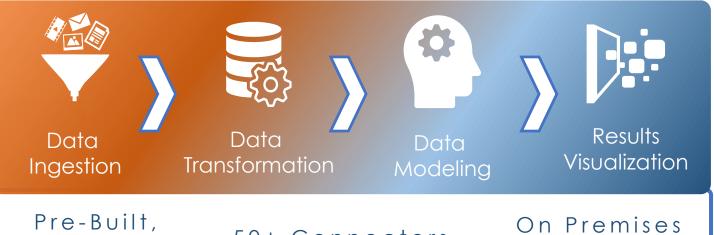
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& On Cloud

**Business Insights** 

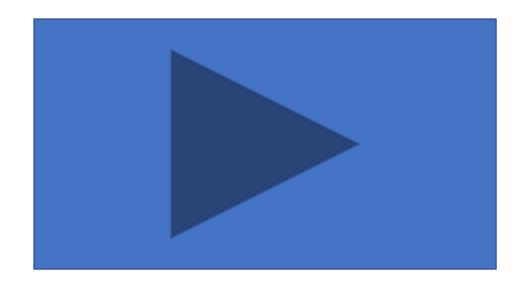
Customer Journey

Cross sell / Up sell

**Anomaly Detection** 

Social Analytics

# What is Artificial Intelligence

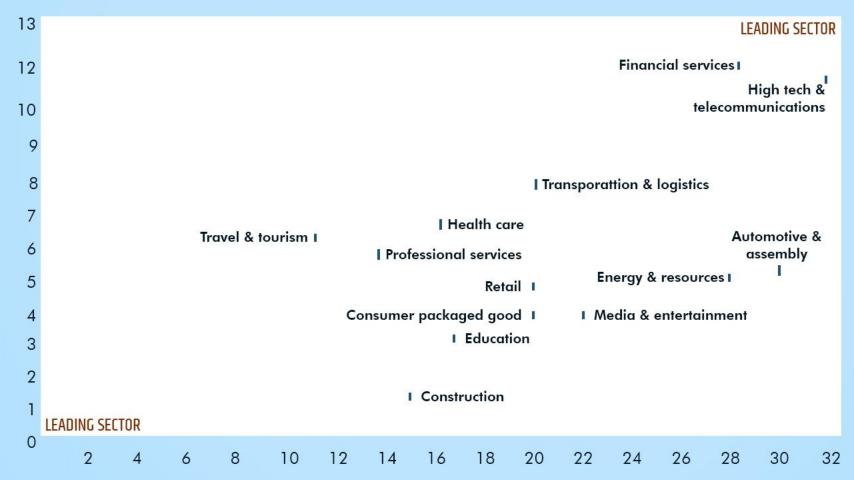




# CURRENT AI ADOPTION AND FUTURE AI INVESTMENTS BY SECTOR

#### Future AI demand trajectory

Average estimated % change in Al spending, next 3 year, weighted by firm size



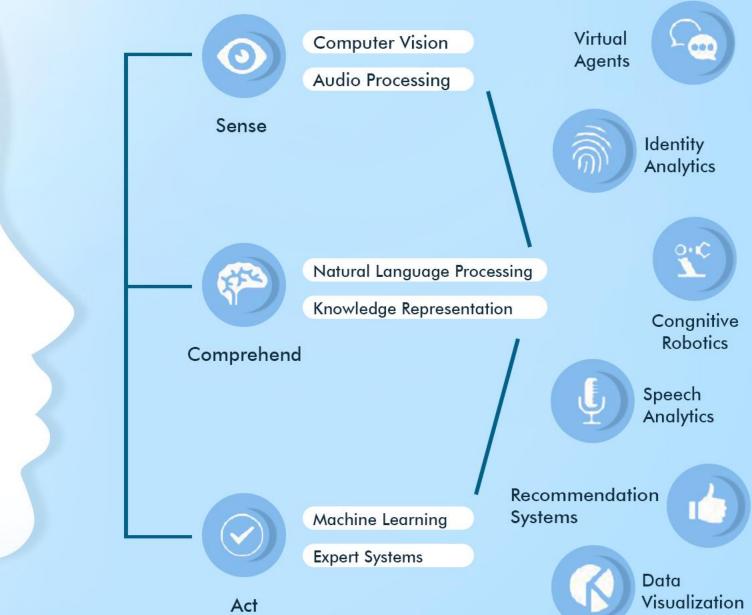


% of firm adopting one or more AI technology at scale or in a core part of their business, weighted by firm size

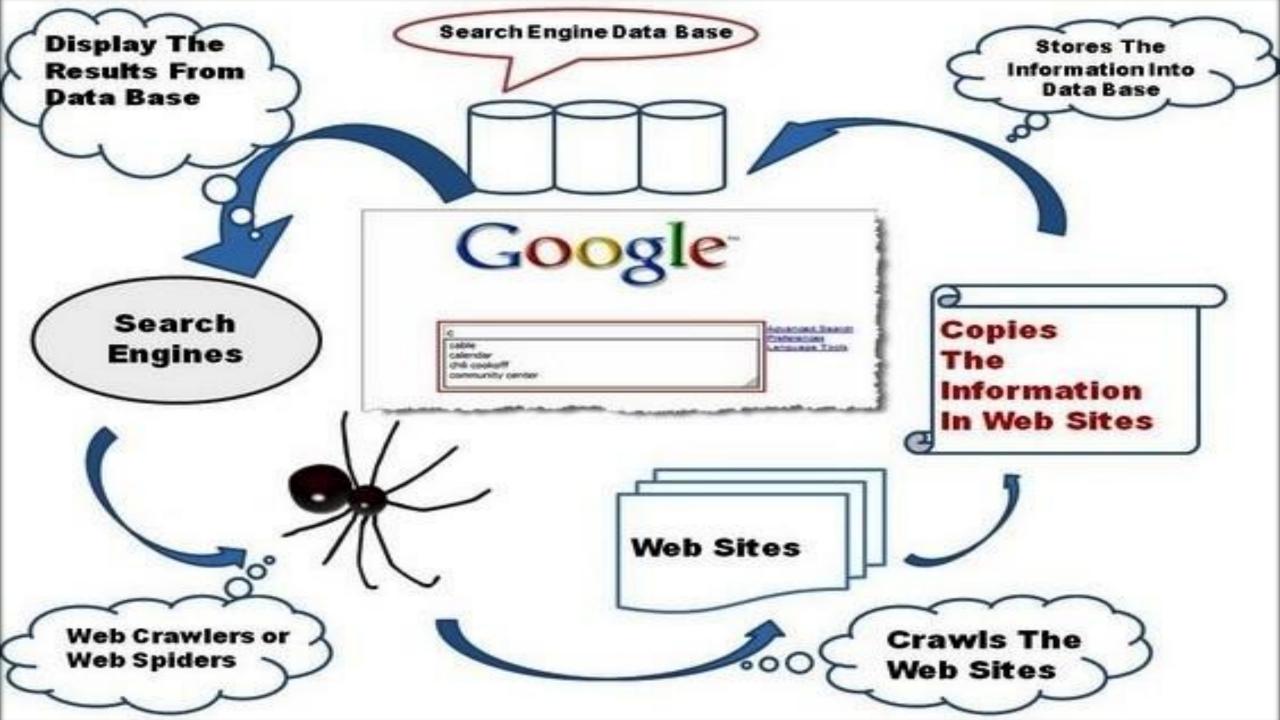
**Current AI adoption** 

# WHAT IS AI





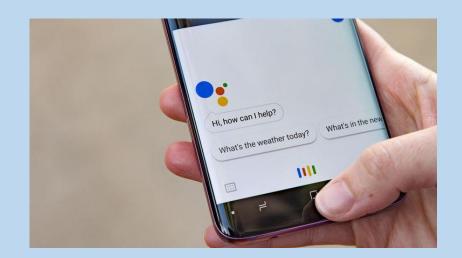




# EVA - SMART CHAT BOX



# **GOOGLE ASSISTANT**



# AMAZON ECHO



# TESLA – SELF DRIVING







# **BENIFITS OF AI**

- **1. Security:** The information stored in the accounting database is digitally protected.
- **2. Cost-Effective:** Al will help in reducing the amount of paperwork and other resources.
- **3. Flexible:** The accounting system designed with AI is more flexible and reliable.
- 4. Automation: Al will handle basic accounting tasks, such as bank reconciliations, invoice categorization, risk assessment, and audit processes, like expense submissions and invoice payments.





# AI IN AUDITING Artificial

Intelligence

# Reasoning

- 1. Predictive and forecasting solutions
- 2. Smart assistants
- 3. Automatic tagging and allocation of transactions
- 4. Anomaly detection
- 5. OCR solutions
- 6.Risk Analysis

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# Traditional Audits VS. Future Audits

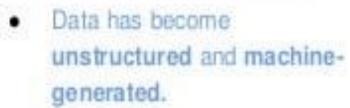
The major driver of big data being used in the modern day audit results from clients demand for more

correct and precise audits:



- Traditional accounting data was generally structured and human-generated.
- Technical problem: hard to extract data from systems in a usable format. Auditors then had to consolidate the financial accounts for each and every client.

What can we do now



 Now in auditing, big data can generate accounting information on a real-time basis



What can we do in the future

Big data will
 make fraud
 detection more
 effective by
 generating
 connections
 between financial
 and non-financial
 information.

# Primary Benefits of Incorporating AI Into Forensic Audits

Reduction in staff-time and engagement timeline

AI platforms are capable of processing and analyzing far greater amounts of data within a significantly reduced timeline. This results in a reduction of staff-time allocated toward engagements which triggers cost-savings for both the accounting firm and the organization under audit. Additionally, AI can help reduce the time needed to identify the cause of the fraud, which can be critical in instances where the fraud is ongoing.

Machine Learning and Natural Language Processing technology AI uses Natural Language Processing technology to identify key terms or performance indicators within contracts, administrative documents, financial reports, etc. Additionally, AI platforms are machine-learning technologies that allow organizations to tailor the systems to their organization using a set of sample documents. The systems will continue to learn as they are utilized and do not require specific programming.

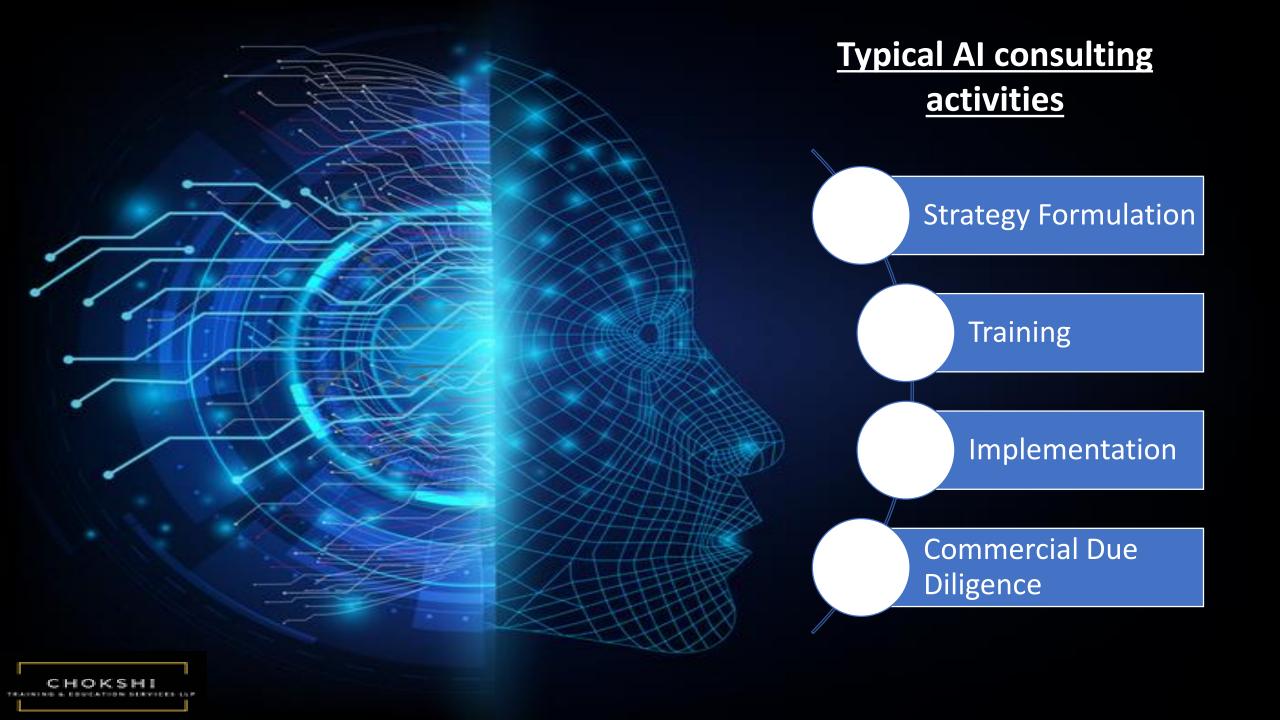
Removal of human error

Since AI involves little human interaction in processing and analyzing sets of data, the risk of human error through clerical errors, typos in formulas or values, etc. is significantly reduced. Additionally, AI helps to identify anomalies or inconsistencies in data sets that may help to identify human errors.

Improved data analytics

Because AI is able to process a large amount of data, the platforms are also able to summarize data into user-friendly visuals to illustrate findings. This allows for more accurate, timely, and understandable data analytics.





# Al in Consultancy

1. Impact on current process: Al Technology will analyse massive amounts of data far more efficiently and faster than the average human, accurate insights into many areas of business including sales, operations, supply chain and more

**2. Improvement**: Streamline mundane processes with financial software which inturn leads to employee focusing on productive task which will enhance clients' ROIs





# HOW IS AI CHANGING...

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Financial institutions such as HSBC and Danske Bank are using it to get better at fighting money laundering and fraud

Mortgage lenders already use it to predict loan default rates

Vodafone, Nielsen and Unilever are using it to find job applicants with more fine-tuned social and emotional sensitivities

Airbus used it to design an interior partition on it's A320 jet-arriving at a structure that was scarcely half the weight of the previous version.

BMW and Mercedes-Benz are using AI - fueled collaborative robots, or "cobots" to turn their human car assemblers into "Ironman" superworks

Swiss investment bank USB teamed up with IBM Watson and a New Zealand startup to "digitally clone" it's chief economist Daniel Kalt so that the avatar Kalt cloud interact with clients just as he would in the flesh



# MACHINE LEARNING

Machine learning provides predictions and prescriptions type of analytics (in order of increasing complexity)

#### Descriptive



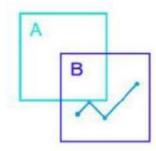
- Describe what happened
- Employed heavily across all industries

#### Predictive



- Anticipate what will happen (inherently Probabilistic)
- Employed in data-driven organizations as a key source of insight

#### Prescriptive

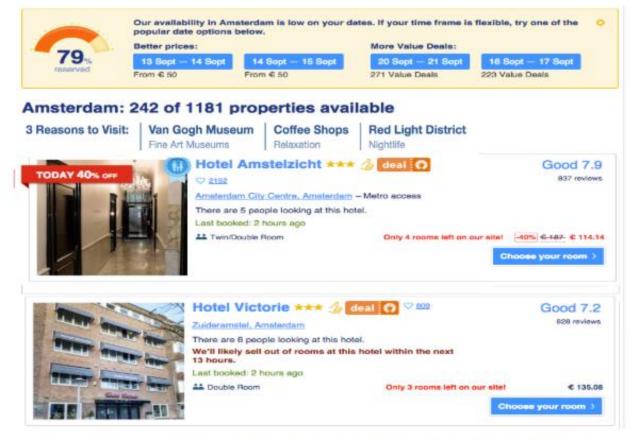


- Provide recommendatios on what to do to achieve goal
- Employed heavily by leading data and internet companies



Focus of machine learning

# Can you spot any ML in this page?



#### Customers who viewed Hotel Victorie also viewed:

# Bastion Hotel Amsterdam Amstel



This hotel is less than half a mile from Amstel Business Park and 4 miles from the center of the city. It offers

free Wi-Fi and free private parking subject to availability.

# Fletcher Hotel Amsterdam



This futuristic-shaped Fletcher hotel is located within a 2-minutes drive from the A2 and A9 highways. It

has free Wi-Fi and modern rooms with a flat-screen TV.

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Lack of broad based expertise in research and application of Al

Absence of enabling data ecosystems – access to intelligent data

High resource cost and low awareness for adoption of Al

Privacy and security, including a lack of formal regulations around anonymisation of data

Absence of collaborative approach to adoption & application of Al

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# SECRET TO AI SUCCESS



Getting your data prepared

**Understanding Al** 

Find the right problems

A well-structured programme

Create the ecosystem to train AI professionals

Start - ups can provide better solutions for Al projects

# Block Chain Technology



# **BLOCKCHAIN TIMELINE**





#### October 2008:

Bitcoin whitepaper by the nom-de-plume Satoshi Nakamoto is published.



LHV pank starts research on Blockchain and its digital security with their app "Cuber Wallet"



## September 2015:

Major financial companies form R3 - a consortium of over 40 institutions committed to exploring and implementing Blockchain technology.



## September 2016:

Over 40 financial service institutions have invested in a Blockchain or Bitcoin startup since 2014.



## May 2010:

First Bitcoin purchase: BTC 10k for a \$25 pizza. Today BTC 10k is worth \$10m! Bitcoin is known as the first use case of Blockchain technology.



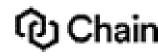
## July 2014:

Ethereum Project - a Bl;ockchain platform with the ability to build decentralized applications - is funded by a crowd sale.



## September 2015:

Visa, Citi, Nasdaq Capital One and Fiserv invest \$30m in the Blockchain startup Chain.com.



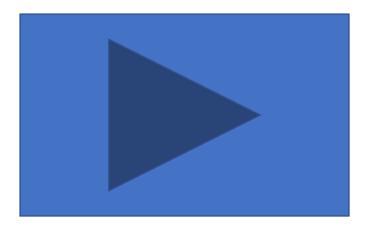
#### 2018:

WEC estimates that 80% of all banks will initiate projects concering distributed ledger technology - the underlying technology supporting Blockchain.





# What is Blockchain



## The Dubai Blockchain Strategy



**W**ill help Dubai achieve the vision of H.H. Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum by making "Dubai [will be] the first city fully powered by Blockchain by 2020" and make Dubai the happiest city on earth. The strategy will be using 3 strategic pillars Government Efficiency, Industry Creation, and International Leadership.

Launched by His Highness Sheikh Hamdan, the Dubai Blockchain Strategy, is a result of a collaboration between the Smart Dubai Office and the Dubai Future Foundation to continually explore and evaluate the latest technology innovations that demonstrate an opportunity to deliver more seamless, safe, efficient, and impactful city experiences.

Blockchain technology is a new, powerful tool that is already shaping the future of the Internet with simple, safe and secure transactions.

The Dubai Blockchain Strategy will help Dubai achieve the vision of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, to create the future of Dubai, and make Dubai the happiest city on earth.

"Adopting Blockchain technology Dubai stands to **unlock 5.5 billion dirham in savings annually in document processing alone** — equal to the one Burj Khalifa's worth of value every year." The Dubai Blockchain Strategy establishes a roadmap for the introduction of Blockchain technology for Dubai and the creation of an open platform to share the technology with cities across the globe.

Source: https://smartdubai.ae/initiatives/blockchain

# Singapore banks using blockchain for AML

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Author: Karry Lai | Published: 28 Mar 2018

The Singapore government is exploring the possibility of using blockchain and distributed ledger technology (DLT) for faster and more efficient clearing and settlement in trade finance, payments, and securities, but also combat money laundering (AML) and terrorism financing (CFT).

The Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) launched **Project Ubin in 2016 with a consortium of banks to develop software for decentralised interbank payments and settlement**. It has since released source code to the public.

The Singapore Infocomm Media Development Authority has also developed a know your customer (KYC) blockchain in cooperation with a group of banks.

Some individual banks have also partnered with outside providers to develop their own blockchain and artificial intelligence solutions, particularly in the area of AML compliance.

International applicability

One of the areas that require more work still is crossborder application.

Source: http://www.iflr.com/Article/3797136/Singapore-banks-using-blockchain-for-AML.html

Equivalent to Internet in 1990ies?

# Public Blockchains

Bitcoin Ethereum Litecoin etc...

Equivalent to Intranet in 1990ies?

Federated Blockchains

R3, B3I EWF Private Blockchains

Company internal

Distributed Ledger Technologies?

Internet of Blockchains?

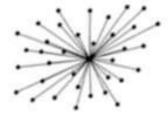


## **Blockchain Permission Levels**

## Traditional ledger

- Centralized
- Only owner can R/W the ledger and not immutable record
- Reconciliation must be done with other ledgers to settle transactions





## Permissioned Private Ledger

- Decentralised
- Only permissioned entities may R/W the ledg





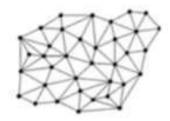
## Unpermissioned Public Ledger

- Distributed
- Anyone can R/W ledger as long as follow certain rules

## Permissioned Public Ledger

- Decentralised
- Only permissioned entities may write the ledger
- Anyone may view ledger contents

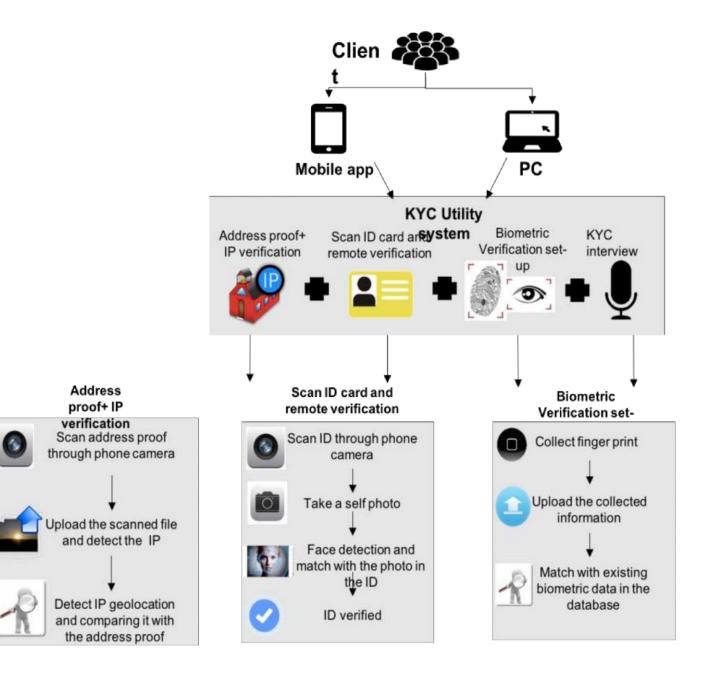
















# How a VAT transaction is processed without Blockchain

- 1. A VAT invoice is issued by the company
- 2. The Client pays the bill, including VAT
- 3. Information about the payment is recorded into the Company's system



5. The company calculates VAT due to the tax authorities and fillsat a taxreturn (quarterly, monthly, yearly) 4. The company pays their suppliers bill ex by bank transfer



## How could VAT be processed using Blockchain



1. The client pays the invoice to the company

2. The company pays the suppliers invoice



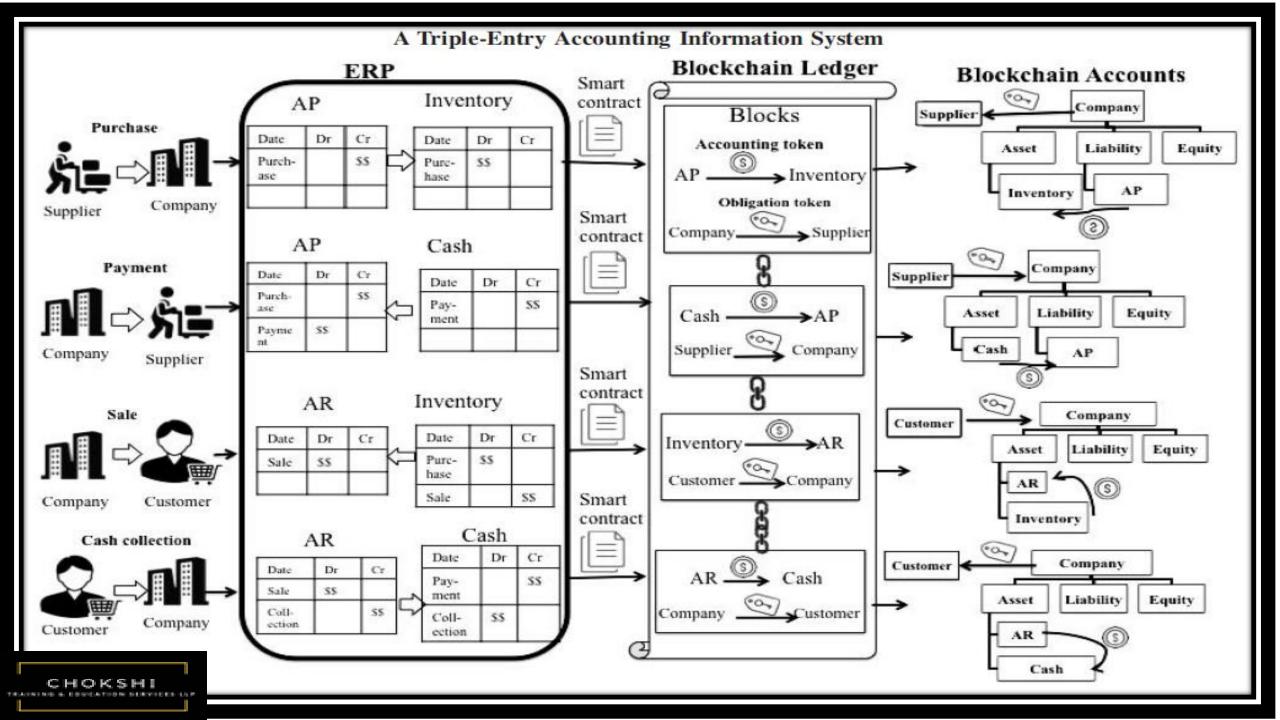
- At the same time, Blockchain smart contracts calculate the invoice VAT and divides it into the non-VAT and VAT part.
- The VAT is paid directly to the tax authority by smart contract.
- The non-VAT part is transferred to the company's account using a smart contract.

#### This is done via a smart contract:

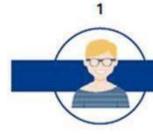
• The company fills in the needed amount and the smart contract performs the payments.

#### Simultaneously:

- The amount due is sent to the supplier.
- The smart contract calculates VAT and sends it to the tax authorities







# Customer approaches bank

An individual or corporate customer approaches a bank to open an account.



# Bank queries the shared KYC platform

With the customer's consent, bank staff can extract relevant information from the shared KYC platform.



#### Validates with trusted sources

Customer information extracted from the shared KYC platform is validated with government registries, tax authorities, and credit bureaus.



#### Updates on shared KYC platform

New customer information from the validation process is updated on the shared KYC platform.



# Completes the KYC process

The KYC process is completed. Banks can store a record of the validation process and results for regulatory reporting.



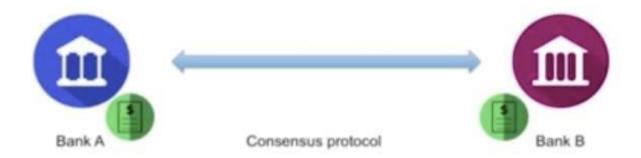
## **Interbank Payments**

## Traditional model



**Swift Messaging** 

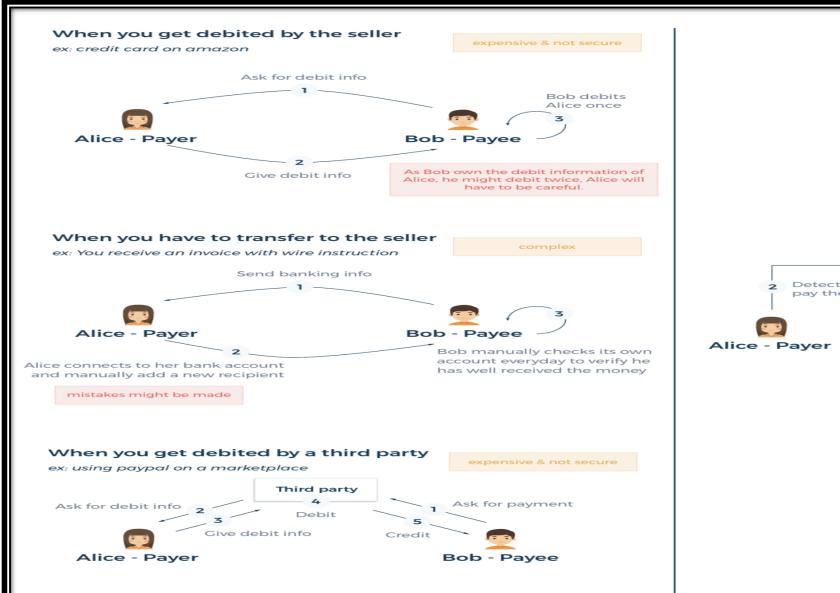
## New model





# PAYMENT





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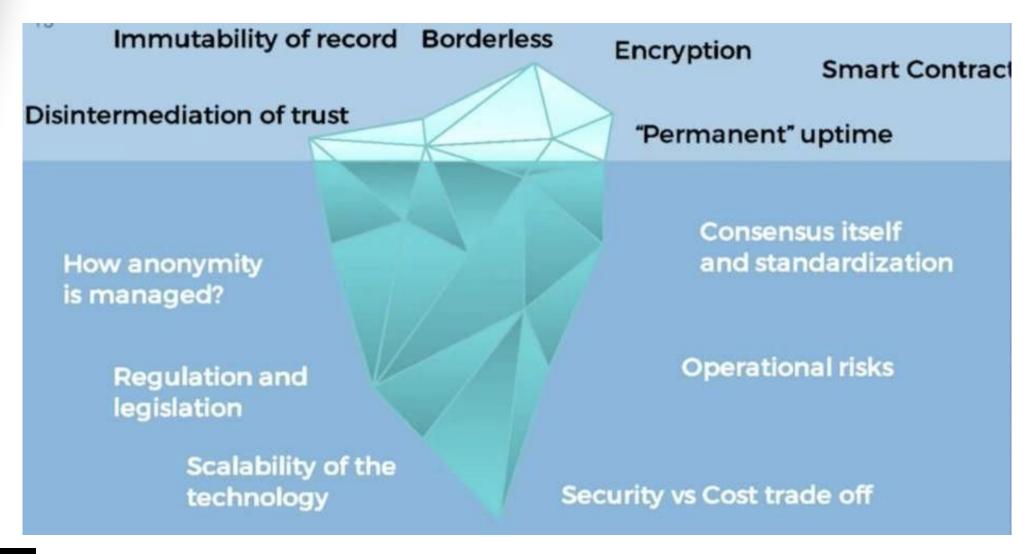


# Scenarios – Applied Block chain

Financial Services	Capital Markets	Payments	Others
KYC	FX	Remittance	Proof of Ownership
AML	Repo	Interbank Payment	Title Protection
E-Identity	Private Stocks	P2P Money Transfer	Legal Inheritance
Marketplace	Letter of Credit	Letter of Credit	Cyber Security
Asset Transfer	Bilateral Trade	Cross Border Payments	Patient Health Records
Regulatory Reporting			



## Accounting, Tax and legal aspects arising therefrom





#### Singapore Dollar and Bitcoin the Same Under AML/CFT Laws: Deputy PM

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BITCOIN REGULATION JANUARY 09, 2018 13:43 CET

Singaporean laws do not make any distinction between transactions involving fiat currencies and cryptocurrencies like bitcoin under money laundering and counter-terrorism financing laws, the country's deputy prime minister said yesterday. Tharman Shanmugaratnam, Singapore's deputy prime minister and minister in charge of the central bank, was speaking at a parliamentary session on Monday when he was asked by MP Foo Mee Har about how authorities could enforce anti-money laundering laws and counter- financing of terrorism (AML/CFT) laws on cryptocurrency transactions with a specific focus on bitcoin.

What are the 'levers' available, she asked, to the Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) and law enforcement agencies to enforce AML/CFL financing laws for bitcoin transactions where conventional regulatory oversight of traditional markets do not apply. In response, the deputy prime minister stated in no uncertain terms:

"When it comes to money laundering or terrorism financing, Singapore's laws do not make any distinction between transactions effected using fiat currency, virtual currency or other novel ways of transmitting value... Hence, MAS' AML/CFT requirements apply to all activities of financial institutions, whether conducted in fiat or virtual currencies."

Despite issuing a recent caution to investors getting into cryptocurrencies, Singapore's central bank is pressing ahead with regulation that will bring a number of retail payment services, including bitcoin and cryptocurrency exchanges, under the singular regulation of its Payment Services Bill. Under the regulatory framework, all payment services will be overseen in a single legislation wherein t he authority will have oversight into cryptocurrency exchanges and bitcoin trading platforms. The second public consultation of framework came to an end on Monday. Shanmugaratnam referenced the bill in his response, confirming the central bank's intention to impose and mandate AML/CFT requirements on intermediaries. "[A]t some stage, fiat currency will have to be exchanged for virtual currency, or vice versa, at intermediaries that sell or exchange virtual currency," the official said.

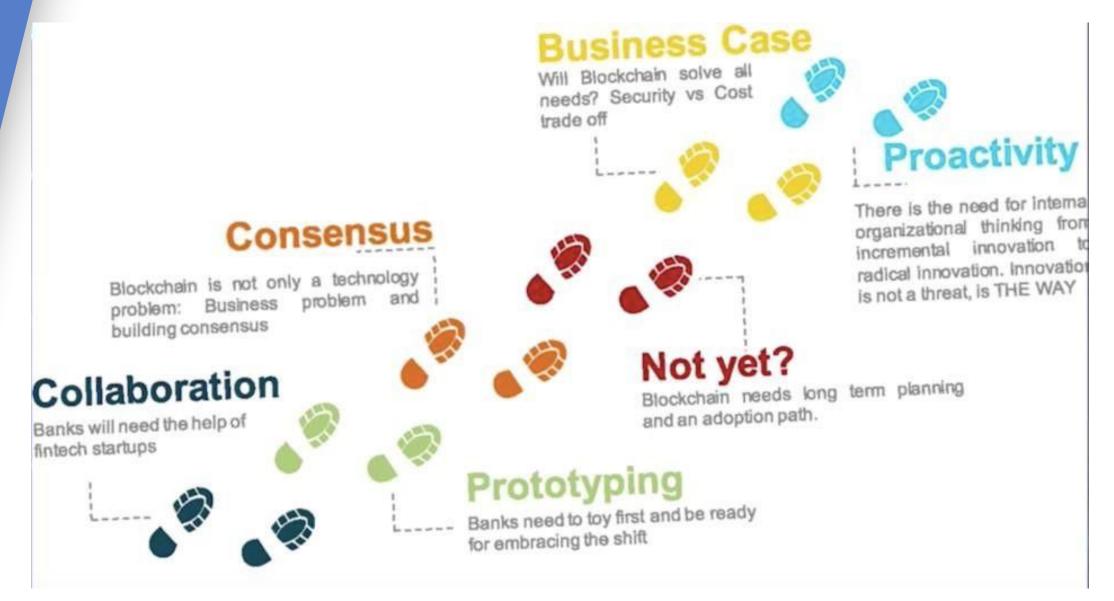
Finally, the deputy prime minister stressed that the "still evolving" virtual currency space is being watched closely by the MAS as it determines a balanced approach that fosters innovation in the space.

He stated: "Like most innovations, it presents new opportunities as well as risks. MAS is closely watching these developments and studying the approaches taken in other jurisdictions. The basic idea is for our policies and rules to foster innovation while mitigating risks, including from ML/TF. "

Source: https://www.ccn.com/singapore-dollar-bitcoin-aml-cft-laws-deputy-pm/

# Benefits v/s current systems usage





# FUTURE ROLES OF A CA IN THE BLOCK CHAIN ECOSYSTEM



- Arbitration Function
- Auditor of Smart Contracts and Oracles
- Service Auditor of Consortium Block chains
- Administrator Function





