

Unraveling Bitcoin [Core]

Andrew Pantyukhin

Aspects of Bitcoin

Divine
Gift

Saylor, Jack

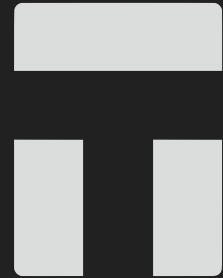
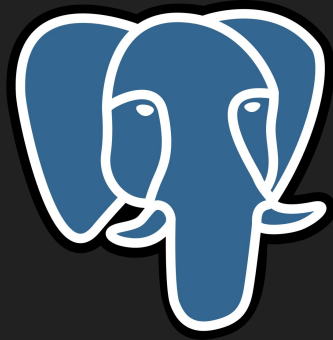
Engineering
Breakthrough

Sjors, Lopp

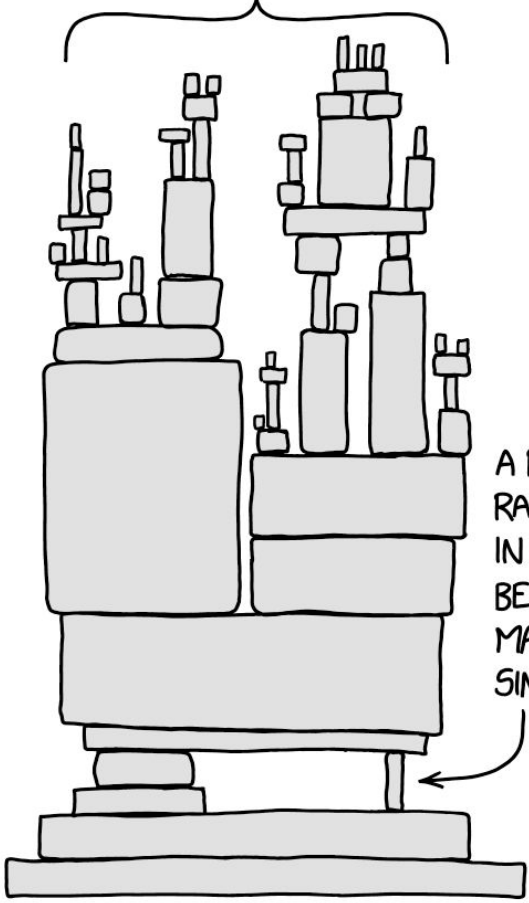
Proof of
Concept

Balaji, Vitalik

whoami(1)



ALL MODERN DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE



A PROJECT SOME
RANDOM PERSON
IN NEBRASKA HAS
BEEN THANKLESSLY
MAINTAINING
SINCE 2003

Query results

```
timestamp asc LIMIT 1000;  
2 SELECT count(*)as btcposts,datetime_trunc(timestamp,year)as year FROM `bigquery-public-data.hacker_news.full` where contains_substr((title,text),'bitcoin') group by datetime_trunc(timestamp,year);
```

Query results

Query configuration

Chart type: Bar

Dimension (x-axis): year

Measures (y-axis): btcposts

Select up to 5 measures

btcposts by year

| Year | Count |
|------|--------|
| 2011 | ~1000 |
| 2012 | ~5000 |
| 2013 | ~3000 |
| 2014 | ~23000 |
| 2015 | ~18000 |
| 2016 | ~10000 |
| 2017 | ~27000 |
| 2018 | ~17000 |
| 2019 | ~10000 |
| 2020 | ~11000 |
| 2021 | ~34000 |
| 2022 | ~17000 |

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Bitcoin's Future

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Bitcoin's Future Depends on a Handful of Mysterious Coders

Developers with power to change the cryptocurrency's software hold an unorthodox role, are elusive—and have been known to head off disaster for the coin



[bitcoin-dev] Full Disclosure: CVE-2023-40231 / CVE-2023-40232 / CVE-2023-40233 / CVE-2023-40234 "All your mempool are belong to us"

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Sat Oct 21 20:05:35 UTC 2023

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Hi,

As I've been shown offline Twitter posts misrepresenting my previous mail, I think it's good to correct them. The security flaws are not "intentional backdoor" or whatever misrepresentation that would question the competence and know-how of the Bitcoin and Lightning development community.

The replacement cycling issue discovered has been known by a small circle of Bitcoin developers since December 2022. As it appears to some experts and it has been commented publicly, changes at the bitcoin base-layer might be the most substantial fixes. Those changes take time and here this is akin to how the linux kernel, bsds and OS vendors are working [0].

All I can say is that we had recently had internal discussion on how to improve coordinated security fixes and patching processes for the coming

Content

not a code dive

how do similar projects work

how Bitcoin [Core] differs

Core in Oct '23

25600 commits, up 2200 YoY

13500 merges, up 1100 YoY

300 open PRs, 19500 closed

330 open issues, 7300 closed

1200 authors, 120 in last year

25 maintainers, 7 in last year, **5 now**

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BITCOIN

Dashboard

Scope ^

Analysis data

System trends

Goals

Code ▼Architecture ▼Team Dynamics ▼System ▼Delivery Performance ▼Simulations ▼[By Date](#)[By Task](#)[System Complexity](#)[Component Trends](#)[Code Age Trends](#)[Change Frequency Distribution](#)

Commit Activity Trend

Commits/Authors

100-

90-

80-

70-

60-

50-

40-

30-

20-

10-

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2010

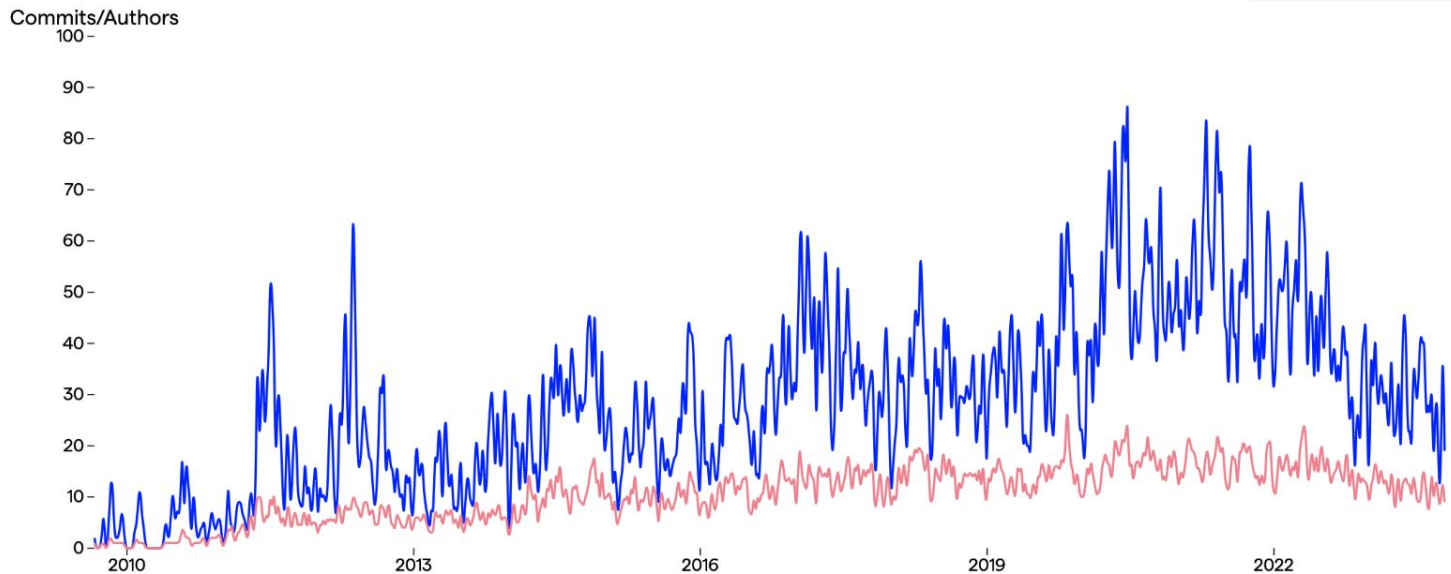
2013

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2022

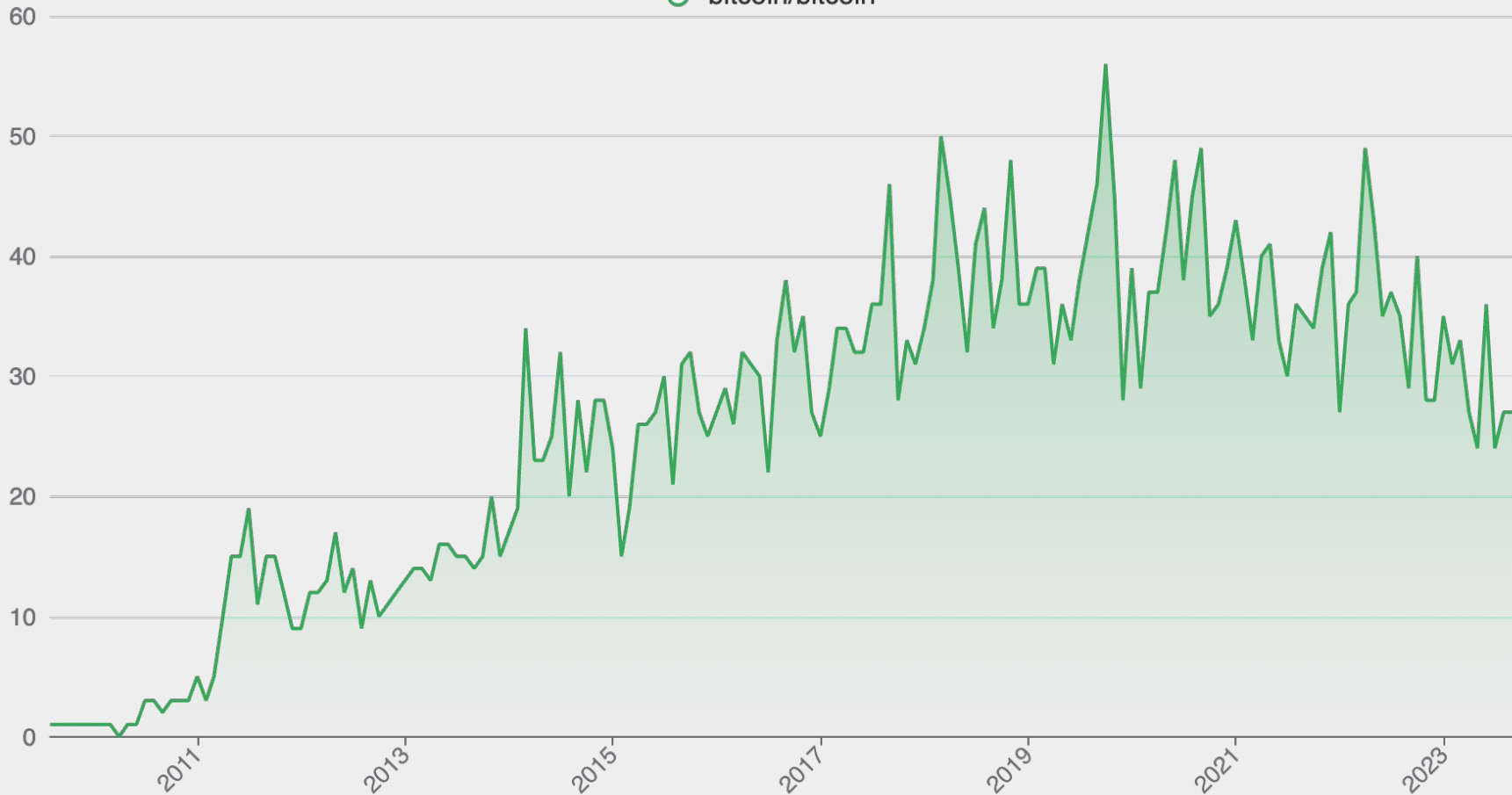
— Number of Commits
— Number of Authors



Monthly Active Contributors

The number of contributors who committed to main branch in each month

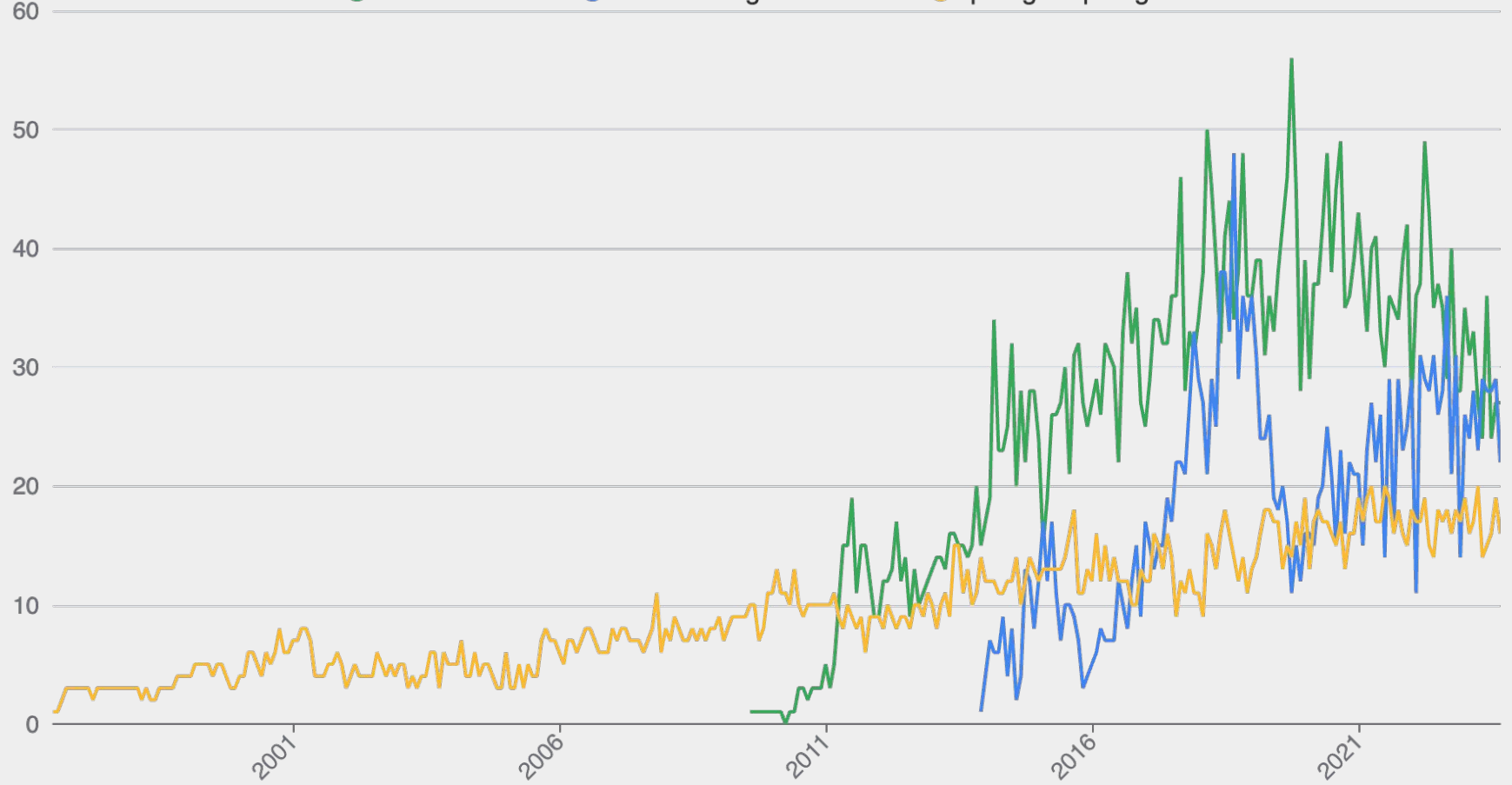
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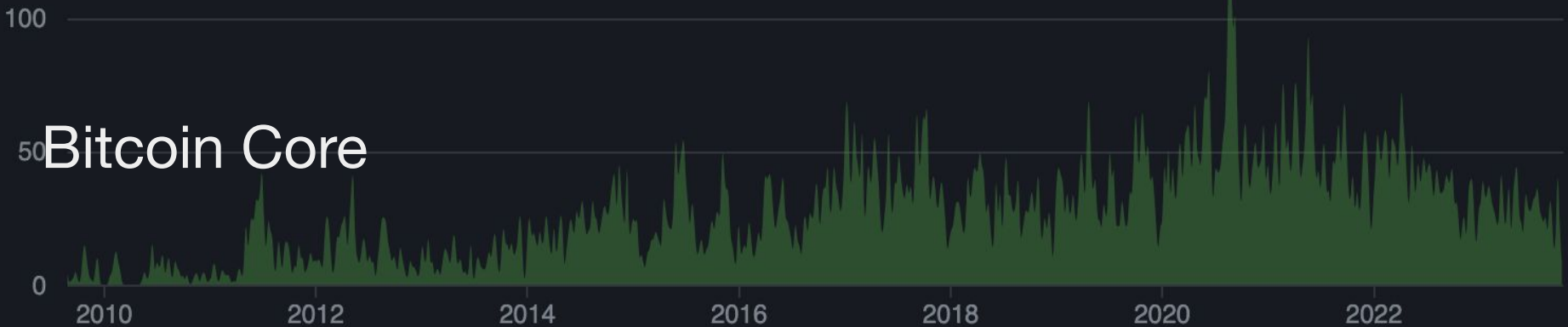
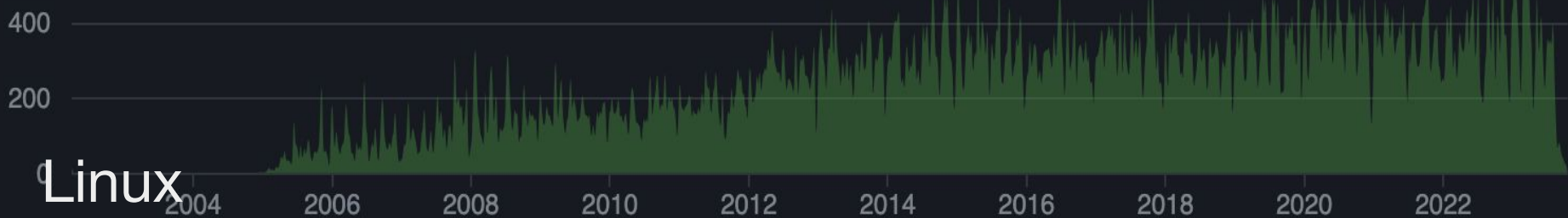
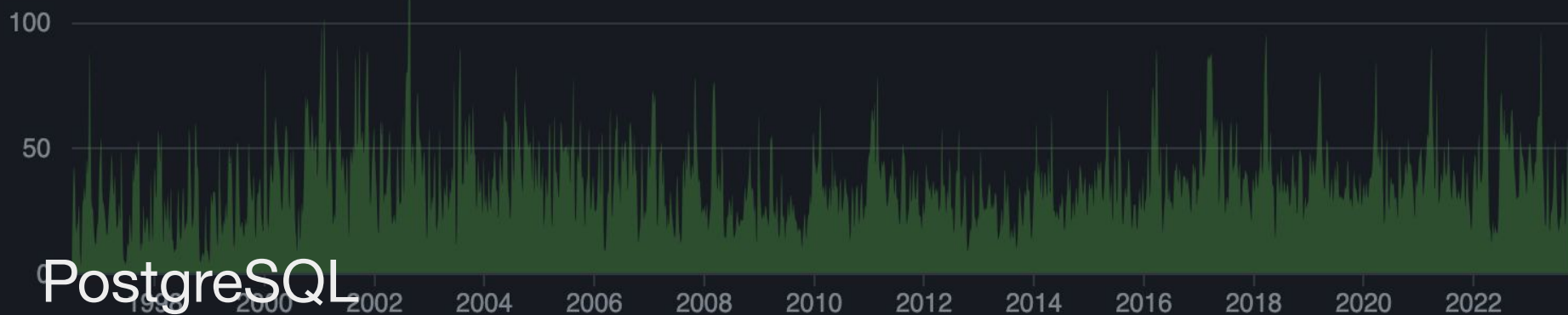


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—○— bitcoin/bitcoin —○— ethereum/go-ethereum —○— postgres/postgres







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| C/C++ Header | 532 | 11583 | 21145 | 48678 |
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| Markdown | 197 | 7165 | 40 | 28716 |
| JSON | 92 | 338 | 0 | 14000 |
| Qt | 19 | 2 | 0 | 8276 |
| XML | 22 | 31 | 0 | 6423 |
| m4 | 18 | 939 | 191 | 5202 |
| Bourne Shell | 53 | 422 | 881 | 4733 |
| make | 59 | 558 | 288 | 3449 |
| YAML | 16 | 89 | 85 | 1252 |
| CMake | 14 | 172 | 138 | 1183 |
| Text | 5 | 14 | 0 | 1113 |
| Bourne Again Shell | 11 | 295 | 478 | 1070 |
| diff | 35 | 203 | 672 | 887 |
| Assembly | 1 | 84 | 105 | 726 |
| SVG | 20 | 8 | 15 | 697 |
| Scheme | 1 | 29 | 34 | 555 |
| HTML | 2 | 39 | 0 | 460 |
| Fish Shell | 6 | 50 | 48 | 209 |
| Windows Resource File | 6 | 19 | 0 | 184 |
| Visual Studio Solution | 1 | 0 | 1 | 161 |
| Objective-C++ | 3 | 32 | 20 | 134 |
| Dockerfile | 3 | 14 | 17 | 52 |
| Gradle | 1 | 10 | 0 | 42 |
| INI | 1 | 5 | 0 | 21 |
| Java | 1 | 5 | 0 | 18 |
| CSV | 1 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
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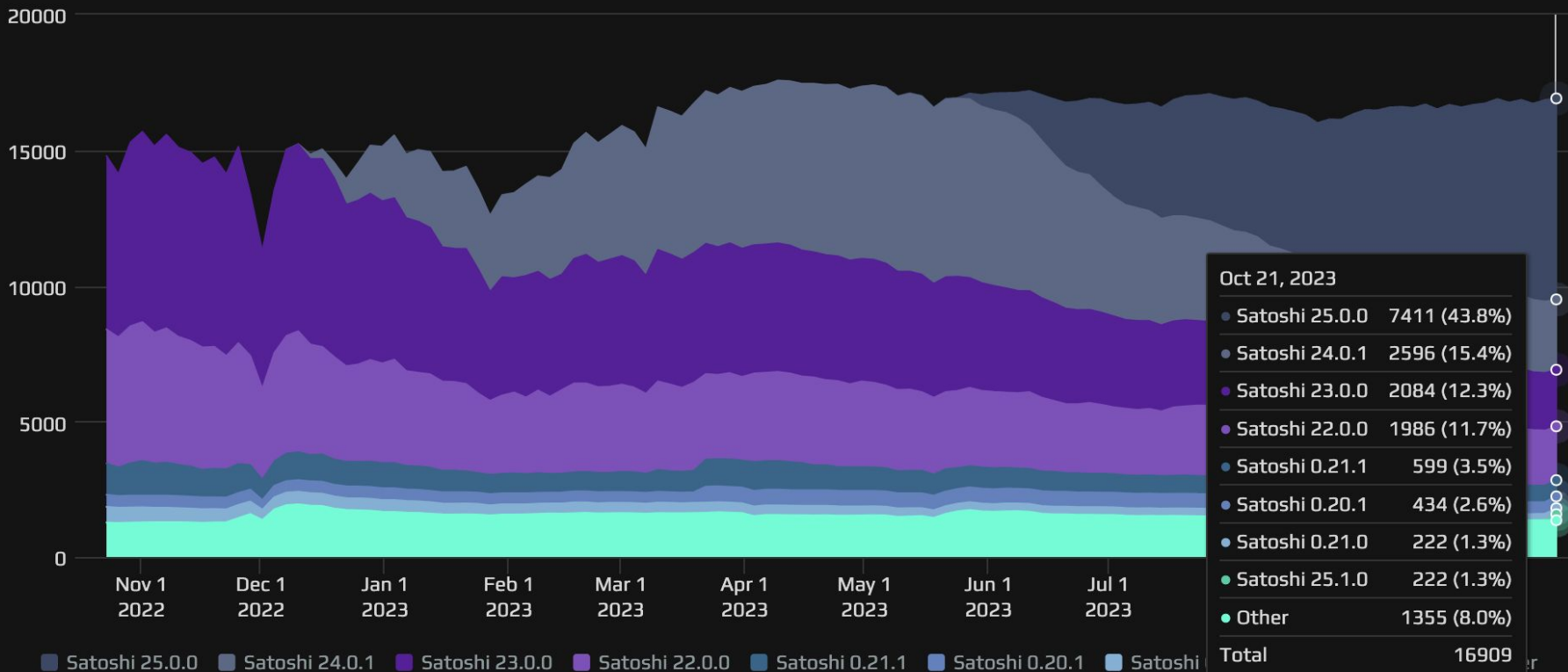
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USER AGENTS

Chart shows the distribution of reachable Bitcoin nodes across leading user agents. Series can be enabled or disabled from the legend to view the chart for specific user agents.

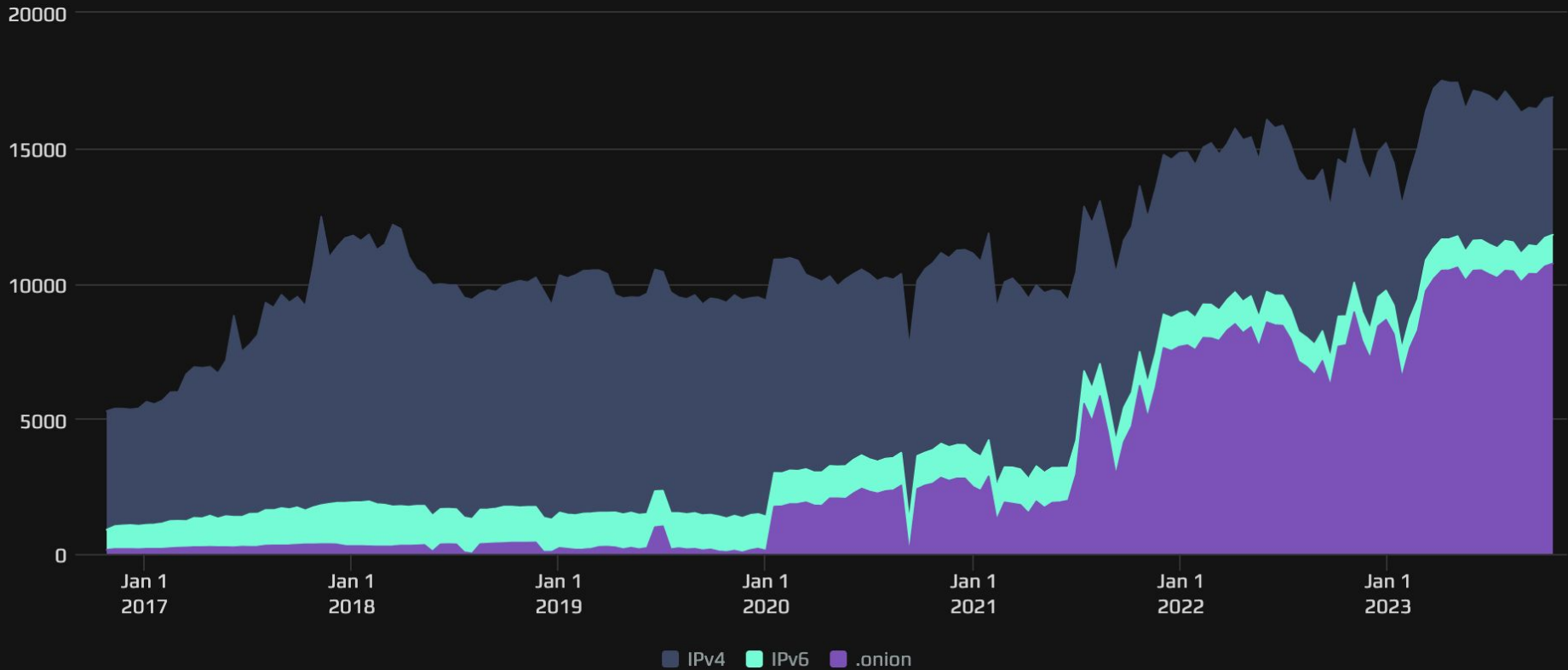


NODES

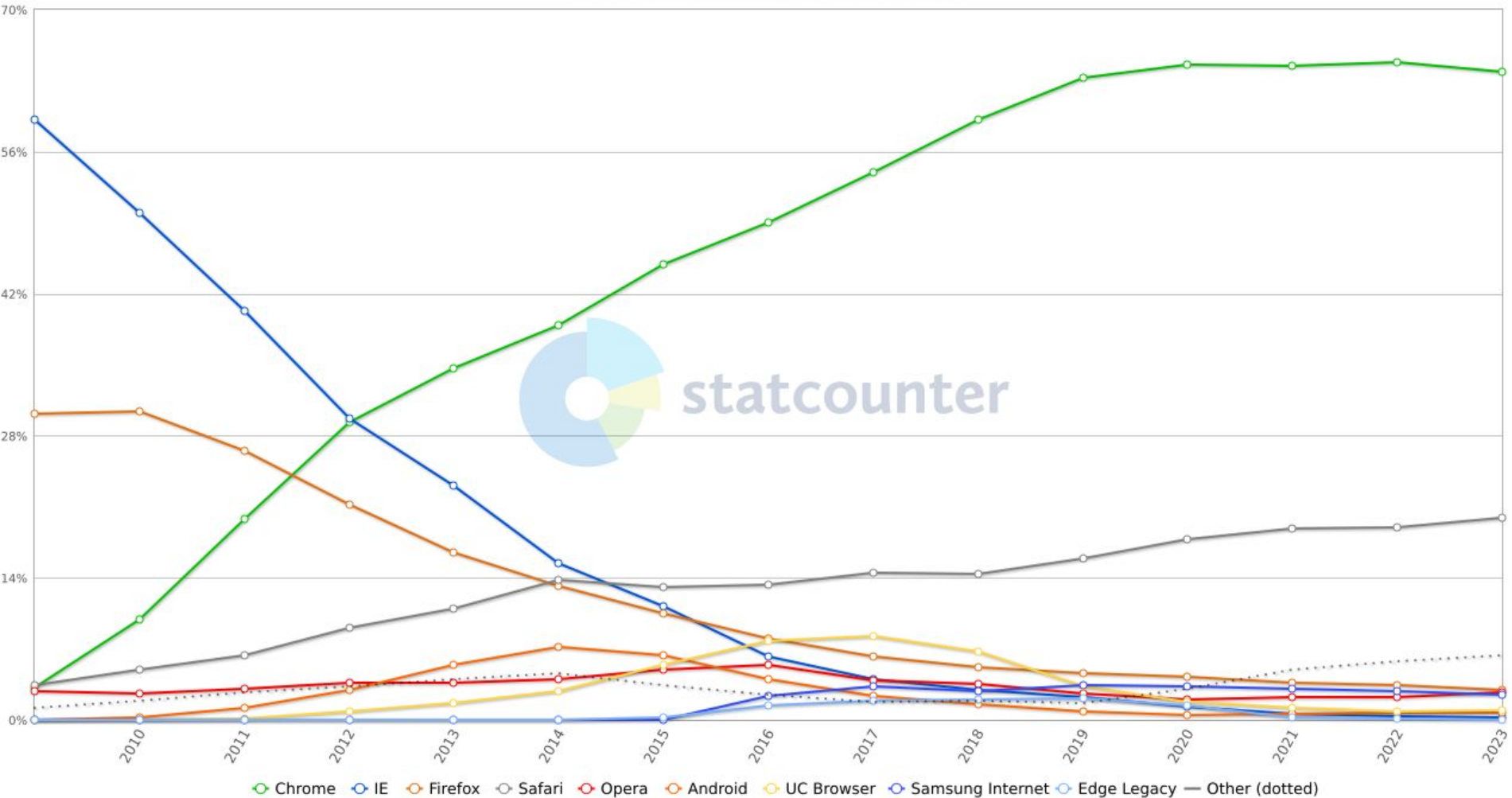
24h 90d 1y 7y

Chart shows the number of reachable Bitcoin nodes during the last 7 years. Series can be enabled or disabled from the legend to view the chart for specific networks.

Lo 5277 Hi 17494 Avg 11331 Last 16878 nodes



StatCounter Global Stats
Browser Market Share Worldwide from 2009 - 2023





Hugo Nguyen

@hugohanoi



I'm a Bitcoin Core maximalist, because I don't trust any persons or groups to be able to replicate Core software 100% correctly. It doesn't matter how good you are as a dev.

Maybe in 20 years AI will be advanced enough to change this. But until then, Core all the way.



Hugo Nguyen @hugohanoi · Nov 2, 2022

Replying to @hugohanoi

Another reason to stick to Bitcoin Core for consensus: consensus is so hard (and 10x more critical for a monetary base protocol), even Core must honor its past selves!

twitter.com/hugohanoi/stat...

12:37 PM · Nov 2, 2022



Hugo Nguyen

@hugohanoi



That's because unlike most other software and protocols we know, in Bitcoin the implementation is the spec.

Not just any spec, but the soul of a live, 14-year running network that millions of people depend on. So we have to make do of what we have. Improvise.

11:54 PM · Nov 1, 2022



The total word count of the W3C specification catalogue is 114 million words at the time of writing. If you added the combined word counts of the C11, C++17, UEFI, USB 3.2, and POSIX specifications, all 8,754 published RFCs, and the combined word counts of everything on Wikipedia's [list of longest novels](#), you would be 12 million words short of the W3C specifications.²

I conclude that **it is impossible to build a new web browser**. The complexity of the web is *obscene*. The creation of a new web browser would be comparable in effort to the Apollo program or the Manhattan project.

It is impossible to:

- Implement the web correctly
- Implement the web securely
- Implement the web **at all**

if Bitcoin grows to be *defined*
by a million words, we won't
own Bitcoin anymore

New Ideas in Tech

Proof of
Concept

Protocol

Reference
Implementation

Production Implementations (alpha, beta, 1.0, ...)

various competing vendors, mostly interoperable

New Ideas in Tech

TCP/IP DNS WWW SMTP

H264 GPT/LLM BitTorrent

JS OpenGL SQL

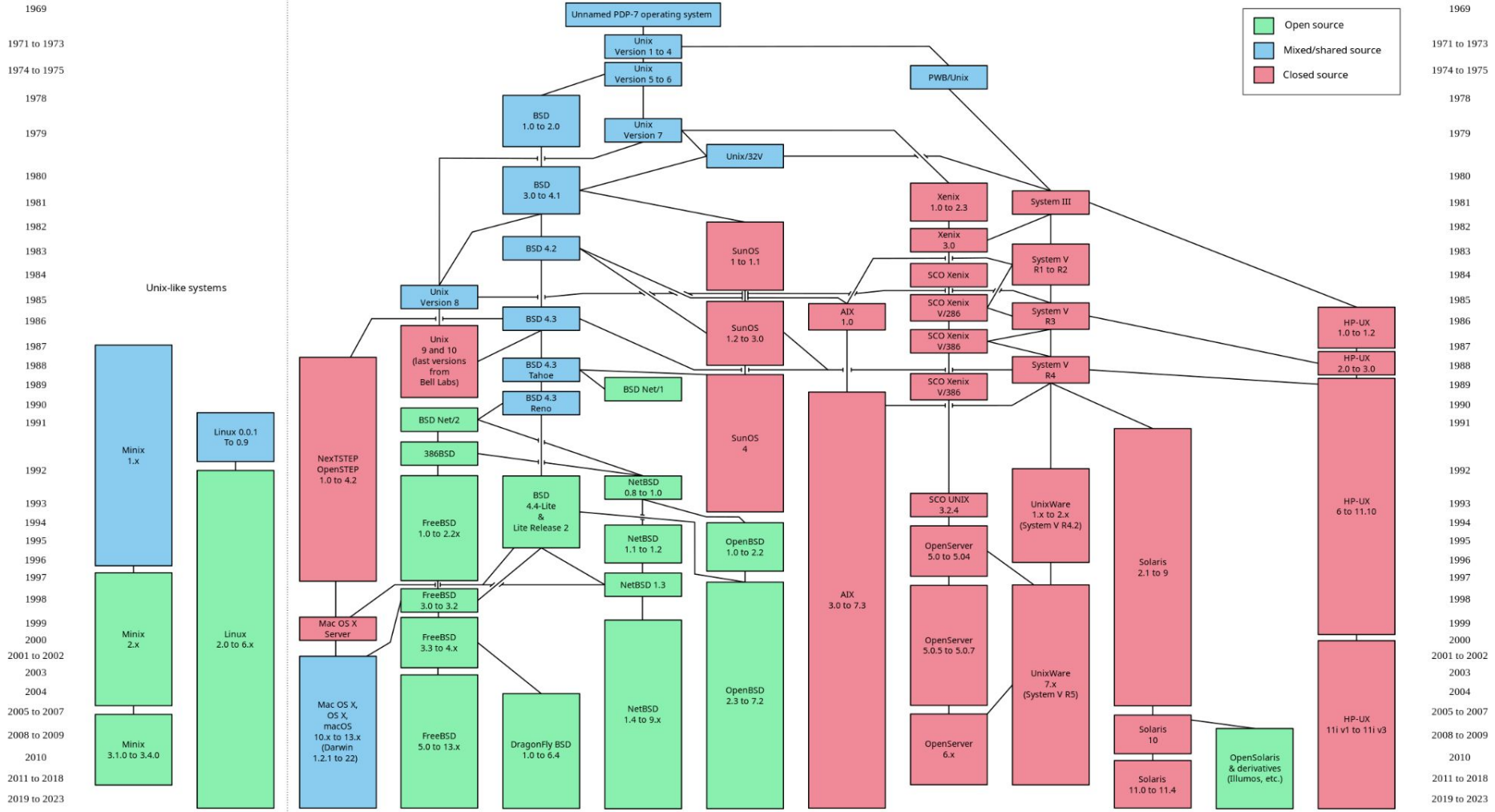
Bitcoin 2007–2010

Whitepaper + 0.1.0~0.3.19 = refined PoC,
implied future ref and spec that never came

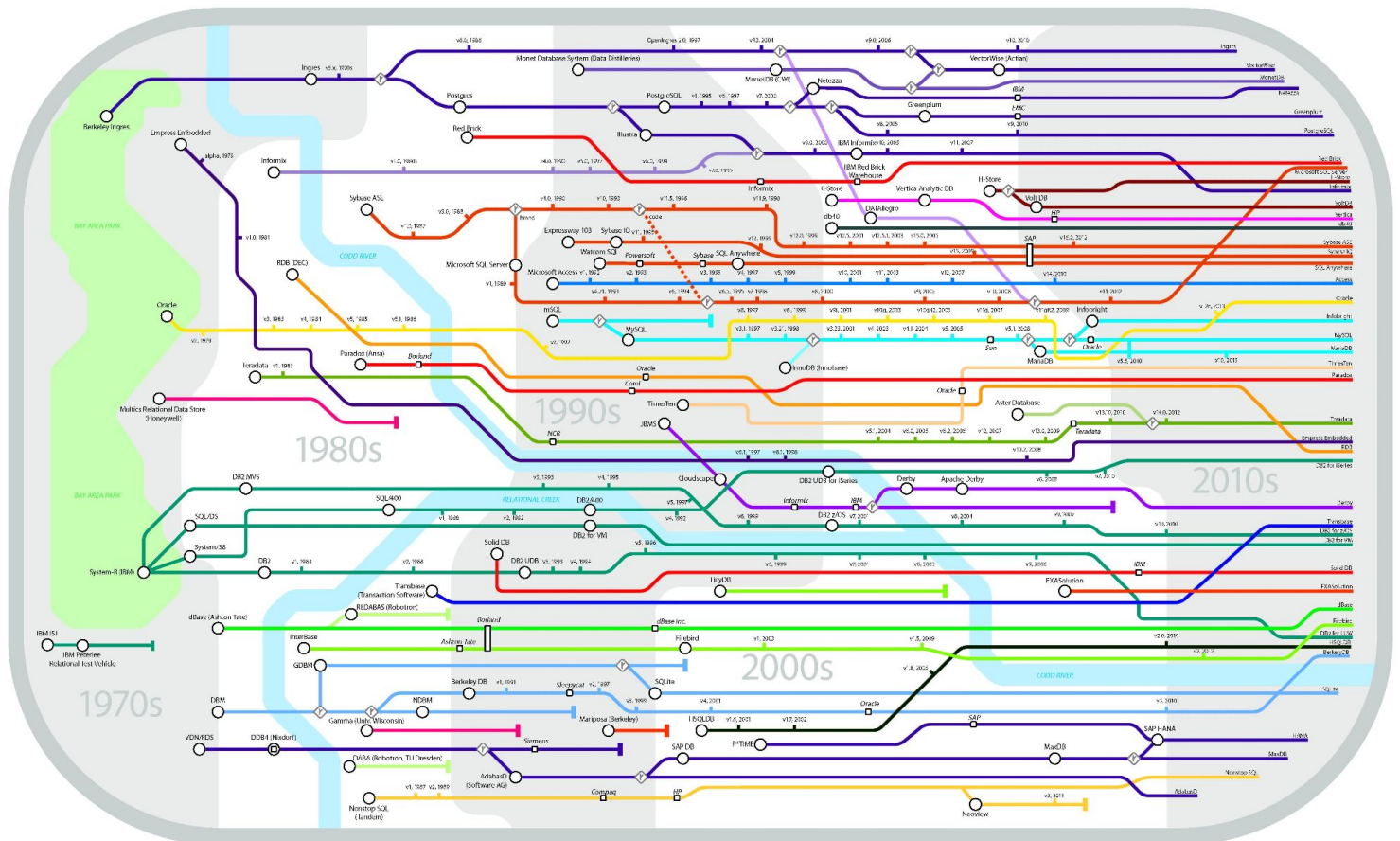
Bitcoin [Core] 2011–now

Ongoing attempts to document and reimplement

**Open-Source Forks
!= Bitcoin Forks**

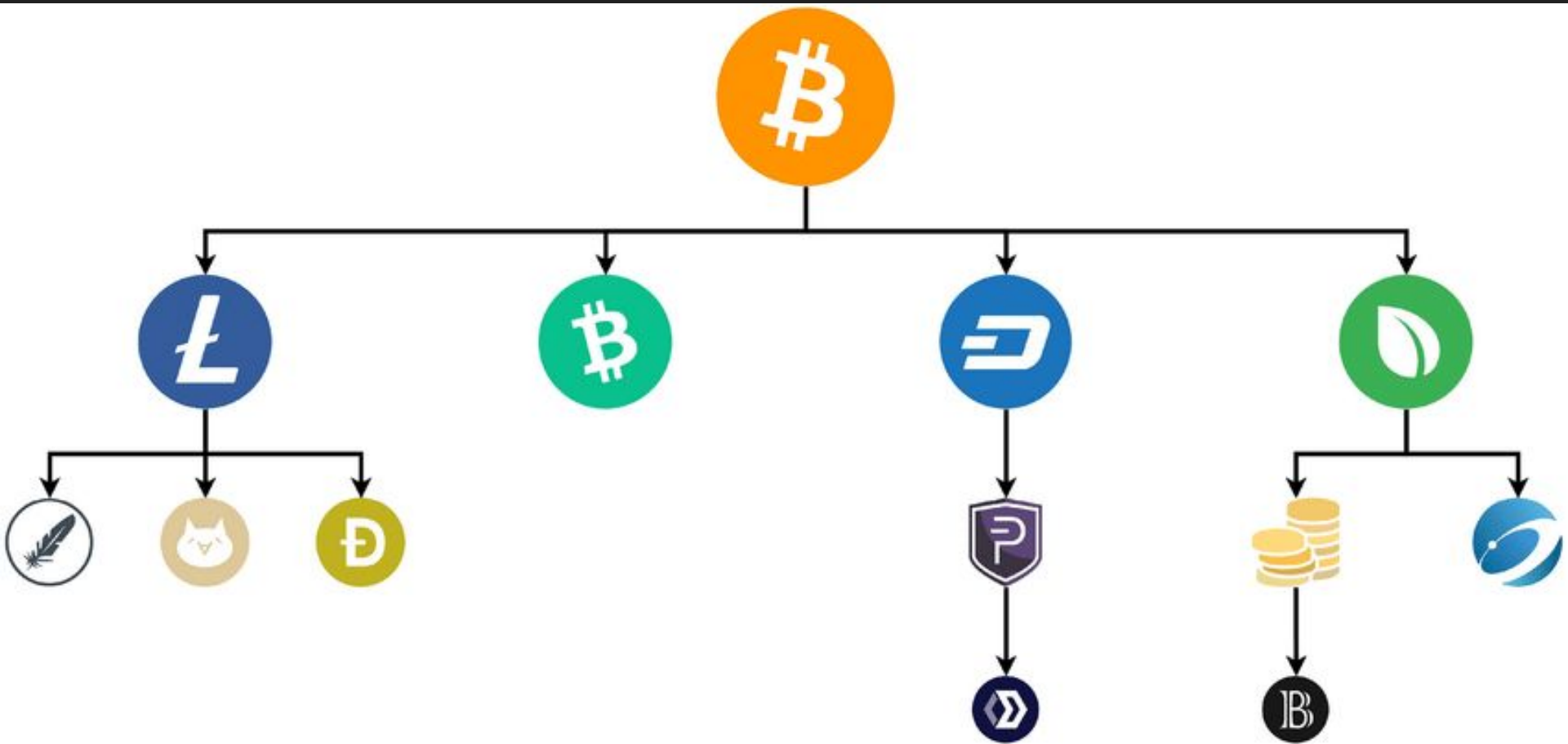


Genealogy of Relational Database Management Systems

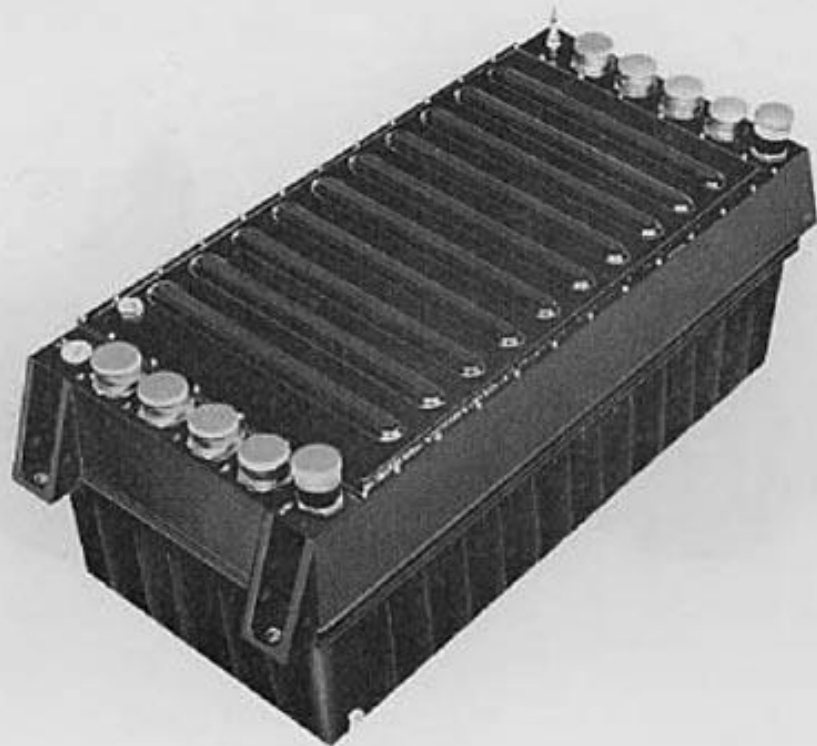


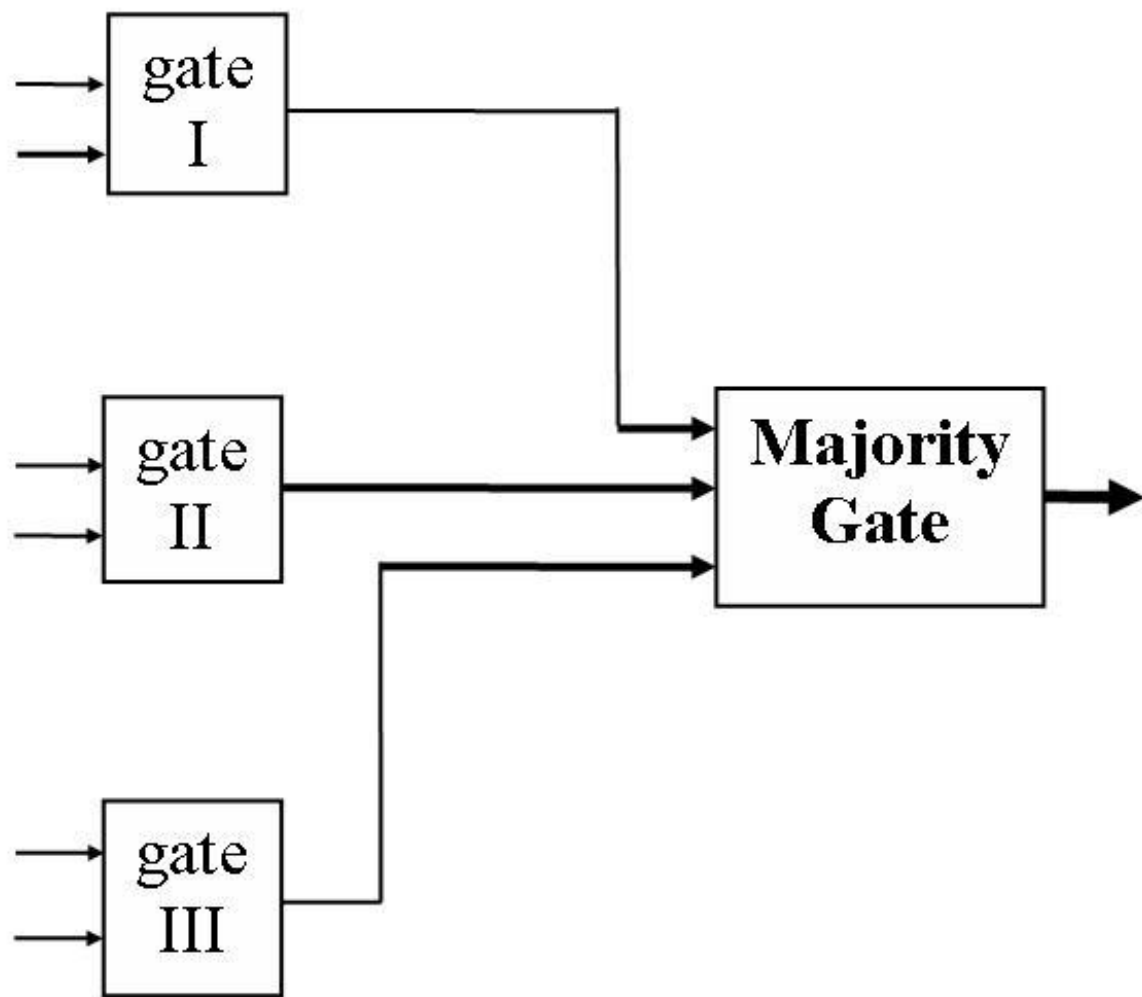
Key to lines and symbols

- Publishing Date
- Acquisition
- v1.0.0000 Versions
- Etkonstruktured
- ◇ Branch (Intellectual and/or code)
- Crossing lines have no special semantics



Software Reliability





An Attack Surface Metric Suitable for Heterogeneous Redundant System with the Voting Mechanism

Liqun Wang, Zheng Zhang, Weichao Li, Zhenwu Liu and Hao Liu

State key Laboratory of Mathematical Engineering and Advanced Computing, MEAC,
Zhengzhou, Henan, 450001, China

*Corresponding author's e-mail: standoutking@126.com

Abstract. With the development of cyberspace security “asymmetry in attack and defense”, heterogeneous redundancy design is gradually being widely used. Heterogeneous redundancy design can enhance the robustness and security of the system through the differentiation of heterogeneous components. But the complex structural design of the system makes it difficult to apply the existing attack surface metric to measure the security of heterogeneous redundant system. In this paper, based on the attack surface metric proposed by Manadhata, we provide a new attack surface metric suitable for heterogeneous redundant system with voting mechanism. In this new metric, we define a new notion named attack surface arbitration, and also propose a new method for quantifying result of arbitration. The experiment result shows that the new attack surface metric can properly describe the attack surface of a heterogeneous redundant system with voting mechanism, which changes with the adjustment of voting algorithm.

提訴

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Computer Science > Logic in Computer Science

[Submitted on 5 Jul 2023]

Towards a Formal Verification of the Lightning Network with TLA+

Matthias Grundmann, Hannes Hartenstein

Payment channel networks are an approach to improve the scalability of blockchain-based cryptocurrencies. Because payment channel networks are used for transfer of financial value, their security in the presence of adversarial participants should be verified formally. We formalize the protocol of the Lightning Network, a payment channel network built for Bitcoin, and show that the protocol fulfills the expected security properties. As the state space of a specification consisting of multiple participants is too large for model checking, we formalize intermediate specifications and use a chain of refinements to validate the security properties where each refinement is justified either by model checking or by a pen-and-paper proof.

Subjects: **Logic in Computer Science** (cs.LG) **Computing** (cs.DC)

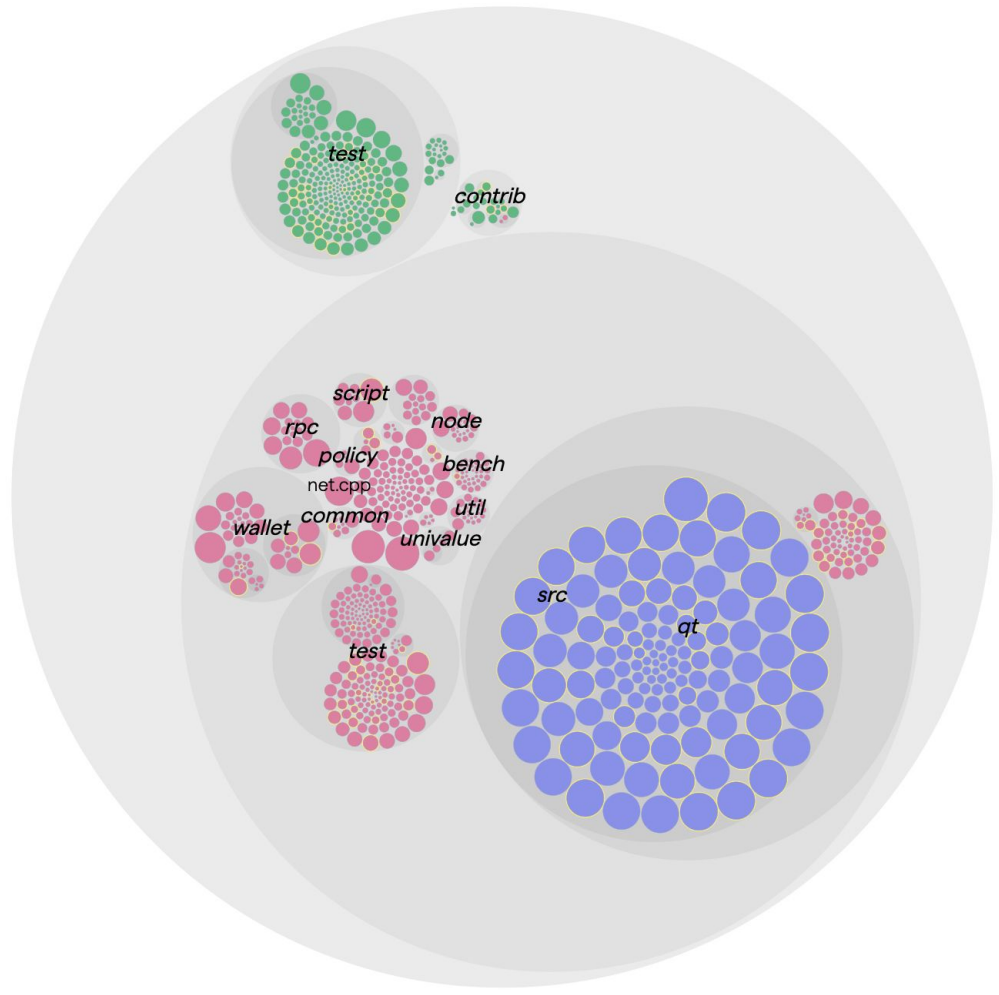
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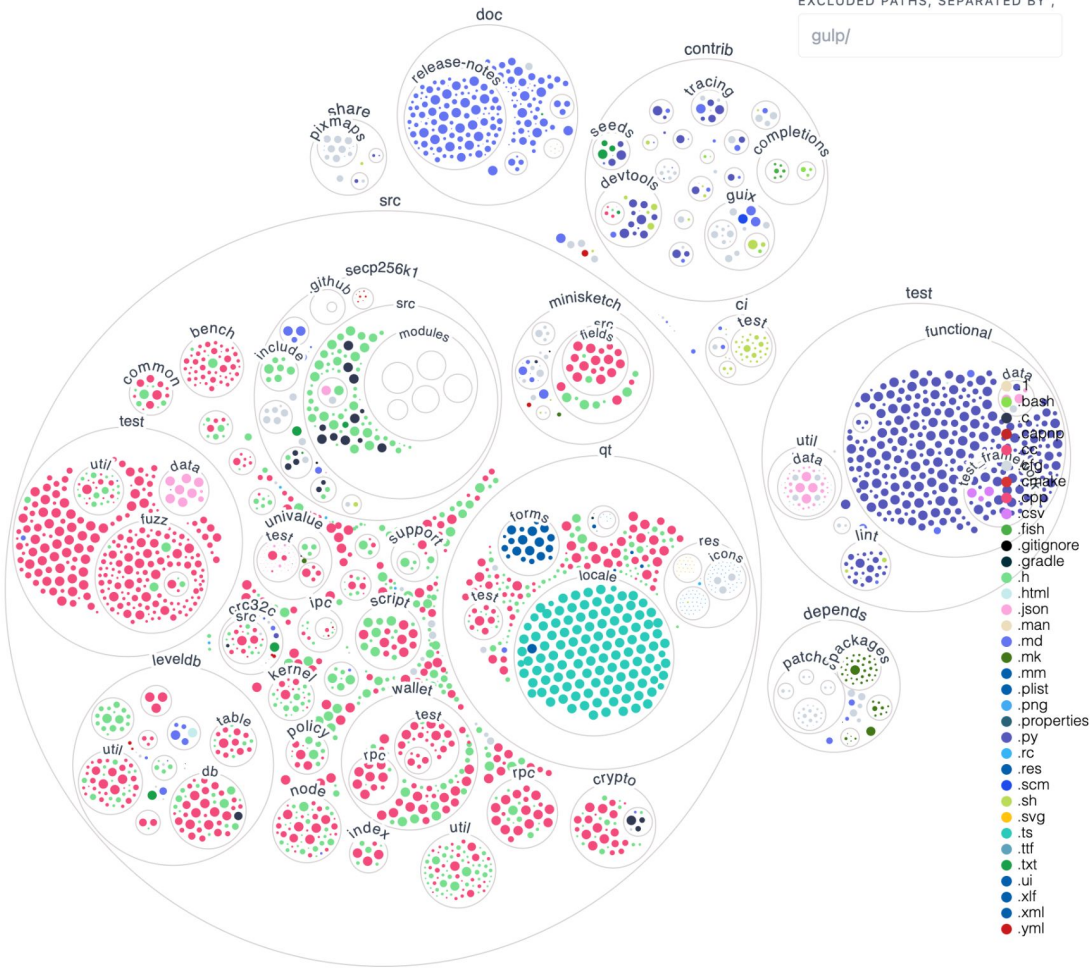
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Core Code

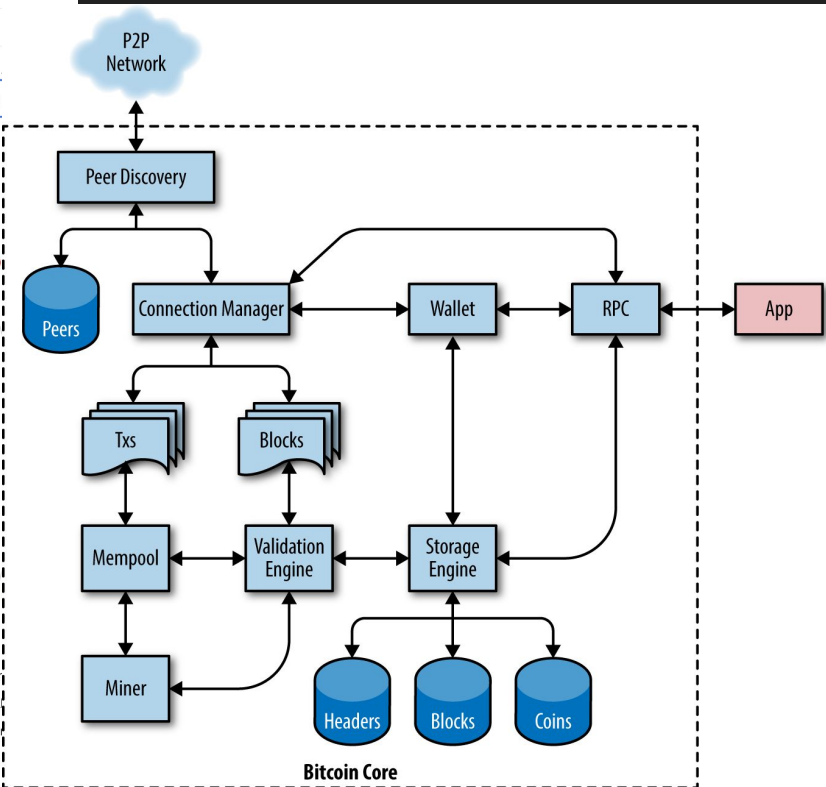
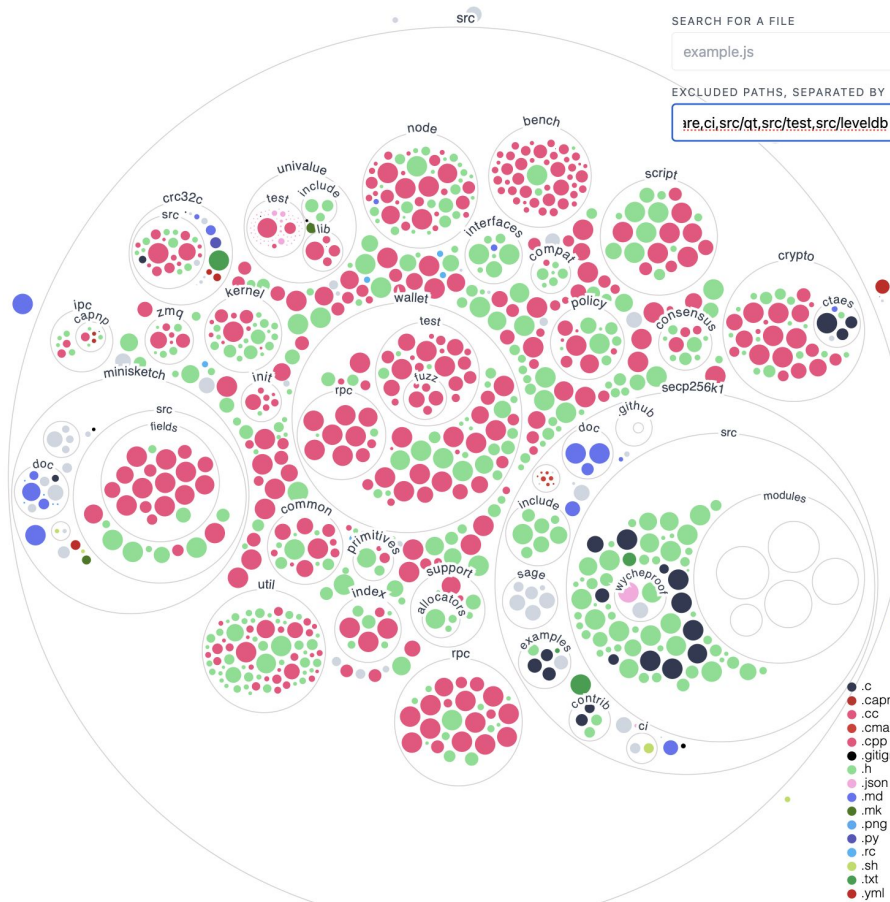


EXCLUDED PATHS, SEPARATED BY ,

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"Bitcoin Core.app" can't be opened because Apple cannot check it for malicious software.

This software needs to be updated.

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Bitcoin Core - cormorant

Overview Send Receive Transactions

Balances Recent transactions

Available
Pending
Total

Recent transactions may not yet be visible, and therefore your wallet's balance might be incorrect. This information will be correct once your wallet has finished synchronizing with the bitcoin network, as detailed below.
Attempting to spend bitcoins that are affected by not-yet-displayed transactions will not be accepted by the network.

Number of blocks left Unknown. Syncing Headers (791905, 97.4%)...
Last block time Mon May 29 14:59:28 2023
Progress 94.80%
Progress increase per hour calculating...
Estimated time left until synced Unknown...

[Hide](#)

Connecting to peers...

BTC

Core Dev Comms

IRC: quiet, weekly meetings (50MB)

Mailing List: low volume (30MB)

Github: comments, PRs, issues (**2.5GB**)

Core on Github

Centralized, proprietary, closed-source, vulnerable

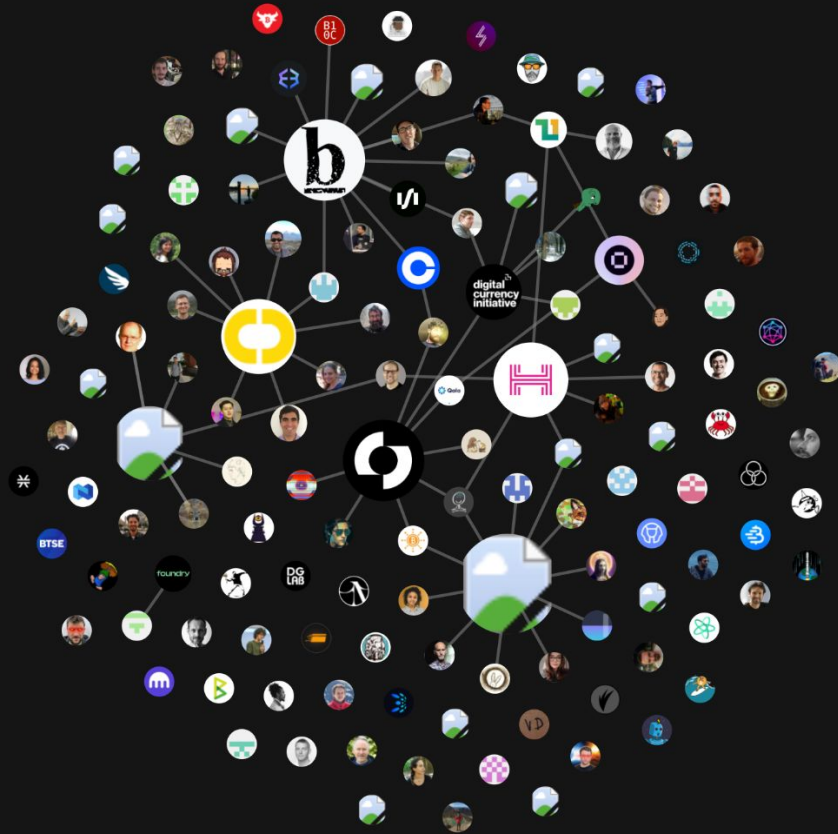
Active developers somewhat aware of the problem

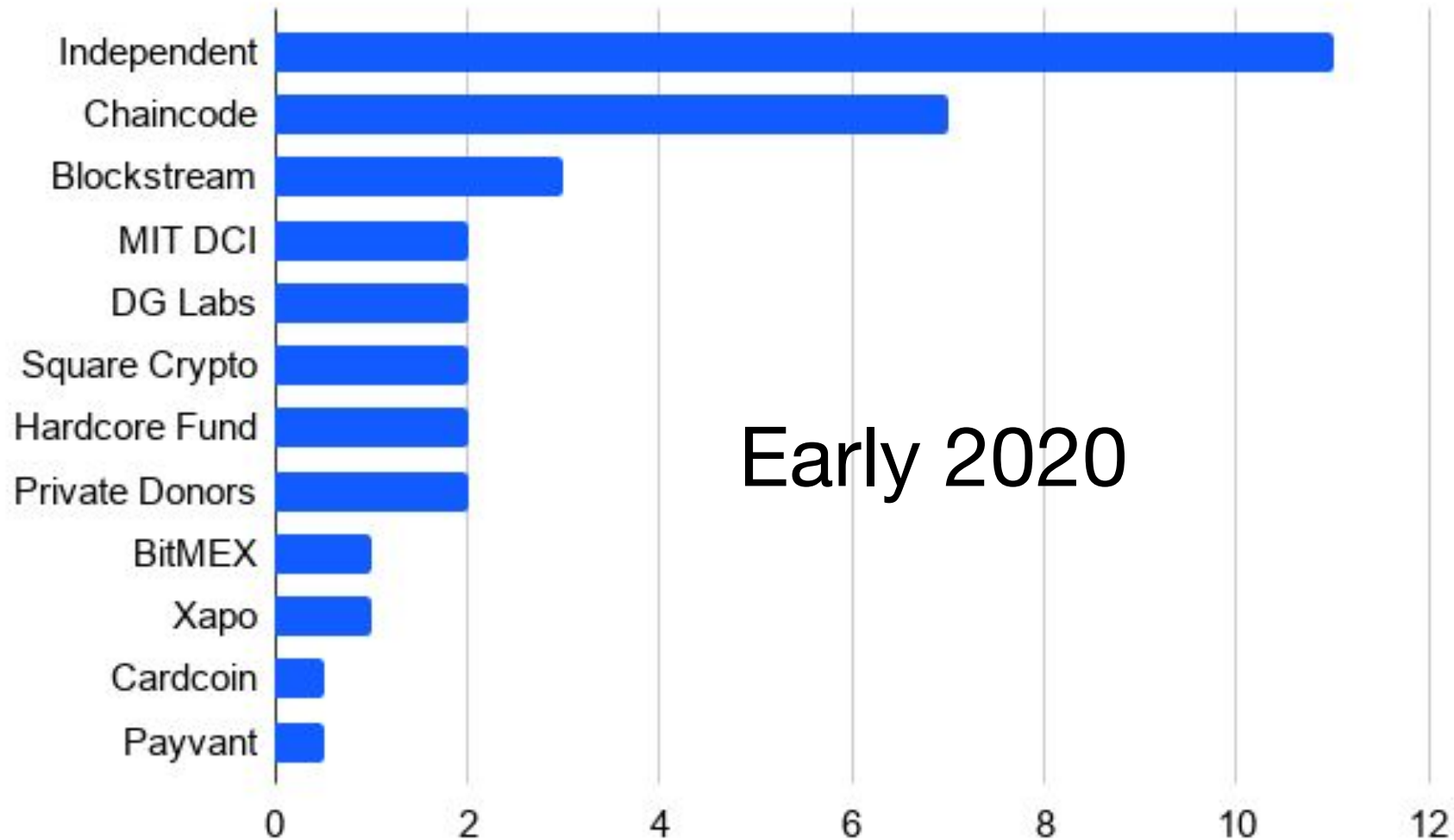
Efforts to archive comms and set up a Gitlab mirror

Developer Funding

Who Funds Bitcoin Development

2022 ▾





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Grants

Need to add Square Crypto grants from Jan-Mar 2021.

| Grant Date | Grantor | Grantee | Project Information | GitHub/Source Code | Contribution | Amount |
|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|---|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|
| 2021/03 | OKCoin | Antoine Riard | Why we may fail lightning | ariard | Bitcoin and Lightning development | - |
| 2021/03 | HRE | Jesse Posner | Discreet Log Contracts | - | DLC's and adapter signatures | \$25,000 |
| 2021/03 | HRE | Muun Wallet | Muun Wallet | Bitcoin & Lightning wallet | making self-custody easier | \$25,000 |
| 2021/03 | HRE | Janine | This Month in Bitcoin Privacy | Enegnei | Bitcoin privacy newsletter | \$10,000 |


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-zsh ~ %1
mosh-client %1 mosh-client %2 mosh-client %3 ruby %4 -zsh %5 -zsh %6 +
2667 Marco Falke <falke.marco@gmail.com>
1807 Wladimir J. van der Laan <laanwj@gmail.com>
1553 Pieter Wuille <pieter.wuille@gmail.com>
1265 Michael Ford <fanquake@gmail.com>
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 497 Luke Dashjr <luke-jr+git@utopios.org>
 485 Gavin Andresen <gavinandresen@gmail.com>
 471 Carl Dong <contact@carldong.me>
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 329 João Barbosa <joao.paulo.barbosa@gmail.com>
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 257 Gloria Zhao <gloriajzhao@gmail.com>
 253 Suhas Daftuar <sdaftuar@gmail.com>
 247 Vasil Dimov <vd@FreeBSD.org>
 247 Anthony Towns <aj@erisian.com.au>
 218 James O'Beirne <james.obeirne@pm.me>
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gavinandresen

#15

488 commits **64,236 ++** **76,334 --**



Dev Leadership

Satoshi (till 2011)

Gavin (till 2014)

LaanWJ (till 2023)

None (since February)

Maintainers (Oct '23)

Michael Ford (since 2019)

Hennadii Stepanov (since 2021)

Andrew Chow (since 2021)

Gloria Zhao (since 2022)

Russell Yanofsky (since 2023)



bitcoin / bitcoin



<> Code

Issues 338

Pull requests 296

Actions

Projects 5

Security

Insights



master

bitcoin / contrib / verify-commits / trusted-keys

Go to file



ryanofsky add ryanofsky to trusted-keys ✓

59ebee3 · 5 months ago History

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Older Newer

Contributors 11

| | | | | |
|--------------|--|------------------------------------|---|--|
| 4 years ago | | scripts: add key for fanquake t... | 1 | E777299FC265DD04793070EB944D35F9AC3DB76A |
| 2 years ago | | script: Add trusted key for he... | 2 | D1DBF2C4B96F2DEBF4C16654410108112E7EA81F |
| 2 years ago | | contrib: add achow101 to trust... | 3 | 152812300785C96444D3334D17565732E08E5E41 |
| last year | | add glozow to trusted-keys | 4 | 6B002C6EA3F91B1B0DF0C9BC8F617F1200A6D25C |
| 5 months ago | | add ryanofsky to trusted-keys | 5 | 4D1B3D5ECBA1A7E05371EEBE46800E30FC748A66 |



Just writing some code



I am creating this thread in response to the discussion occurring at <https://bitcointalk.org/index.php?topic=1773558.msg17697805#msg17697805>. This list will contain the names (or pseudonyms) of everyone who I can find evidence for ever having commit access to Bitcoin Core, the dates during which they had commit access, sources for all of this information, and reasoning for the access. Those who currently have commit access are in **bold**.

- Satoshi Nakamoto (satoshi, s_nakamoto): 2009-01-03 - **2011-09-13**^[1] Creator, first Lead Maintainer
- Martti Malmi (Sirius, sirius_m): 2009-08-30 - **2011-09-13**^{[1][2]} Creator of first SVN repo
- Laszlo (laszloh) 2010-08-04 - **2011-09-13**^[1] Original OSX Builds and support
- Gavin Andresen (gavinandresen): 2010-10-11 - **2016-05-02**^[3] Frequent contributor; later Lead Maintainer
- Chris Moore (dooglus): 2011-01-21 - **2011-03-31** Frequent contributor for some time; Still occasionally contributes
- Pieter Wuille (sipa): 2011-05-01 - **2022-07-07** Frequent contributor
- Jeff Garzik (jgarzik): 2011-05-06 - July/Aug 2016 ^[4] Frequent Contributor
- **Wladimir J. van der Laan (laanwj, wumpus): 2011-06-05 - present**^[5] **Frequent contributor; later Lead Maintainer**
- Nils Schneider (tcatm): 2011-09-19 - 5/31/12 Frequent contributor for some time
- Greg Maxwell (gmaxwell): 2012-02-11 - 2015-12-17 Frequent contributor; Gave up commit access due to toxicity and drama from the community
- Jonas Schnelli (jonasschnelli): 2015-11-13 - 2021-10-21^[6] Frequent contributor; given access after becoming GUI Maintainer; Stepped down for personal reasons
- **Marco Falke (marcofalke): 2016-04-13 - present**^[7] **Frequent Contributor; given access after becoming QA/Testing Maintainer**
- Samuel Dobson (MeshCollider): 2018-12-06 - 2021-09-12^[8] Frequent Contributor; given access after volunteering to be the wallet maintainer; Stepped down to focus on his PhD
- **Michael Ford (fanquake): 2019-06-08 - present**^[9] **Frequent Contributor; given access after being nominated by several other frequent contributors and maintainers to become a maintainer.**
- **Hennadii Stepanov (hebasto): 2021-04-19 - present** Frequent Contributor; given access after volunteering to help maintain the GUI
- **Andrew Chow (achow101): 2021-12-20 - present**^[10] **Frequent Contributor; given access after volunteering to be the wallet maintainer.**
- **Gloria Zhao (glozow): 2022-07-07 - present**^[11] **Frequent contributor, given access after being nominated by several frequent contributors and maintainers to become a maintainer.**



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CA-2022-002184

**IN THE COURT OF APPEAL (CIVIL DIVISION)
ON APPEAL FROM HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
BUSINESS AND PROPERTY COURTS OF ENGLAND AND WALES
BUSINESS LIST (ChD)
Mrs Justice Falk [2022] EWHC 667 (Ch)
BL-2021-000313**

Royal Courts of Justice
Strand, London, WC2A 2LL

Date: 03/02/2023

Before :

**LORD JUSTICE LEWISON
LORD JUSTICE POPPLEWELL
and
LORD JUSTICE BIRSS**

Between :

Tulip Trading Limited (a Seychelles company)

**Appellant/
Claimant**

- and -

- (2) Wladimir Jasper van der Laan
(3) Jonas Schnell
(4) Pieter Wuille
(5) Marco Patrick Falke
(6) Samuel Dobson
(7) Michael Rohan Ford
(8) Cory Fields
(9) George Michael Dombrowski
(10) Matthew Gregory Corallo
(11) Peter Todd
(12) Gregory Fulton Maxwell
(14) Roger Ver
(15) Amaury Séchet
(16) Jason Bradley Cox

Respondents / Defendants

- (1) Bitcoin Association for BSV
(a Swiss Verein)
(13) Eric Lombrozo

- and -

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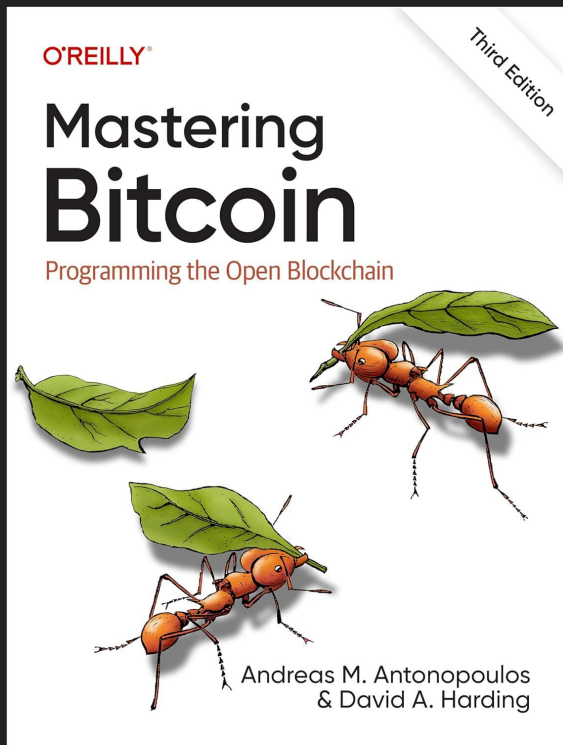
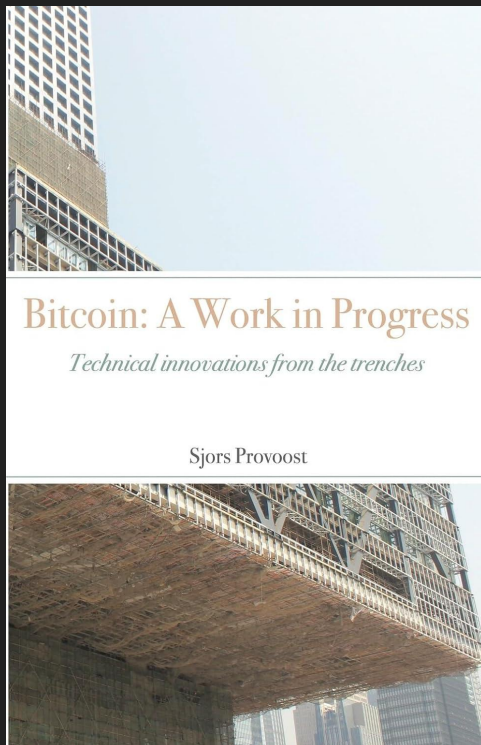
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bitcoin.org — original, stalled (Cøbra)

bitcoin.com — compromised

Voices of Reason



The Death of Decentralized Email

A historical review of the multi-decade centralization and capture of the email protocol.





The widening gyre

Recent events have made me reflect on a few things in my life I was already thinking about for a while. Also, responses on social media have made me realize that people have *strange* expectations from me, and what my role in the Bitcoin Core project is.

growth

Bitcoin has grown a lot since I started contributing to it in 2011. Some arrangements that were acceptable for a small scale FOSS project are no longer so for one running a 600 billion dollar system. Market cap is famously deceptive, but my point is not about specific numbers here.

One thing is clear: this is a serious project now, and we need to start taking decentralization seriously.

Takeaways

Bitcoin [Core] is still *really* a work in progress

Concept proven, need spec + ref + prod

Feature creep vs refinement

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Origin

Middle English: of unknown origin.

