

### Talk Overview

- What is Web3?
- Libraries & Web3
- The Distributed Library & BiblioCommons

# What is Web3?



# Web3 Technologies

Distributed Web

Decentralized Data and Applications

Blockchains, DAOs & NFTs

### The Distributed Web



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# Web3 Features

- Trust and Privacy
- Decentralized Identity and Anonymous Authentication
- Peer to peer Publishing
- Public Transactions but also Private
- Permanence & Resiliency

# Blockchain ≠ Bitcoin

### Blockchain

### A Distributed Ledger

- Trust
- Programmable
- Privacy
- Transparency
- Durability
- Security

### Blockchain

**Unique Identifiers (Hashes)** 

terra1osulxxxxhuhrfdj4tez3h26sf6qa7va3yyzx44

Passphrase (Private Key)

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HASH Calculator: https://xorbin.com/tools/sha256-hash-calculator





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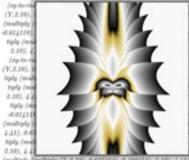
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### **Use Cases**

- Soulbound NFTs
- Identification
- Social Graphs
- Credentials/Degrees
- Medical history
- Academic records
- Password management
- Assets in the metaverse



# Impacts on Society



### Overturning Everything

Finance

Political power

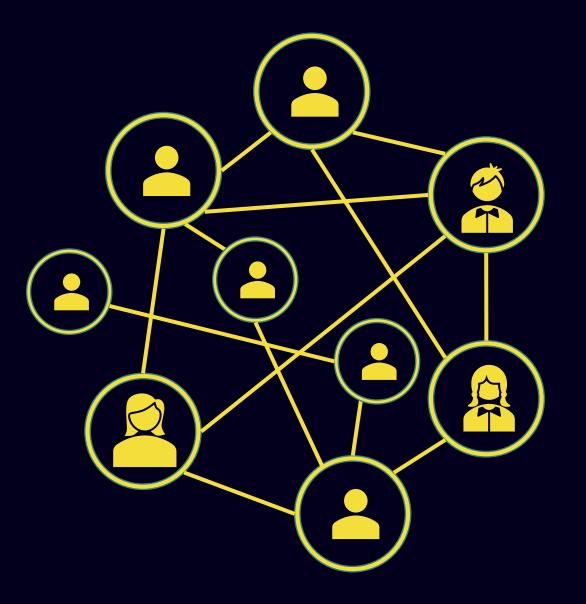
Copyright & Publishing

Speech

Privacy



# Libraries & Web3?



### Web3 | Risks & Threats

#### **Risks**

- Requires radical overhaul of conservative institutions
- Development costs
- Open questions on government regulation
- Web3 identity remains a work in progress

#### Threats

- Publishers are exploring blockchain to safeguard their businesses
- Potential for new paywalls
- Tokenization may lure academics/authors away from Open Access

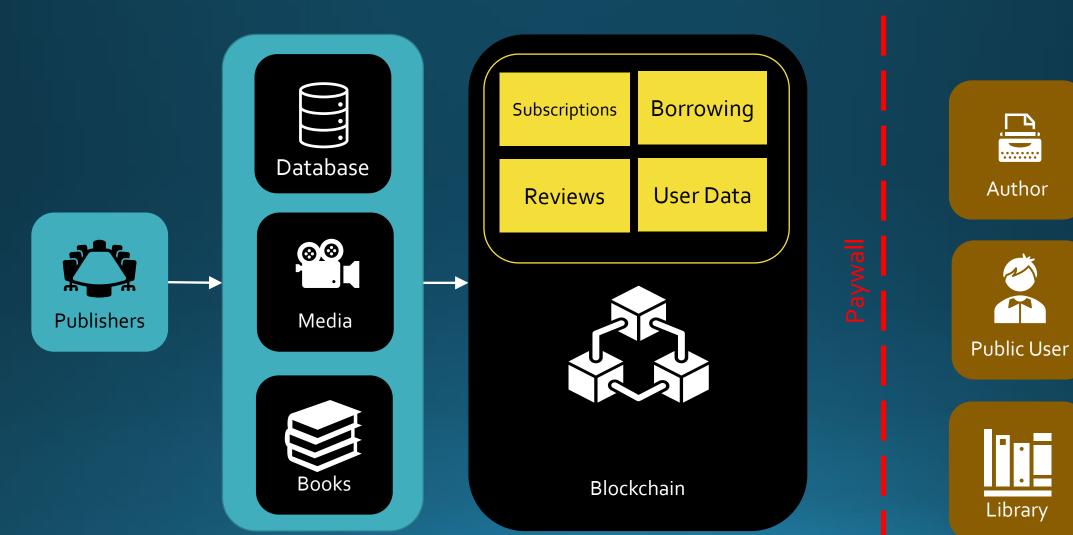
### Web3 | Opportunities for Libraries

- Automated (mostly)
- Metadata Support
- Open Access
  - Verifiable data
  - Widest audience
- Redundancy (LOCKSS)

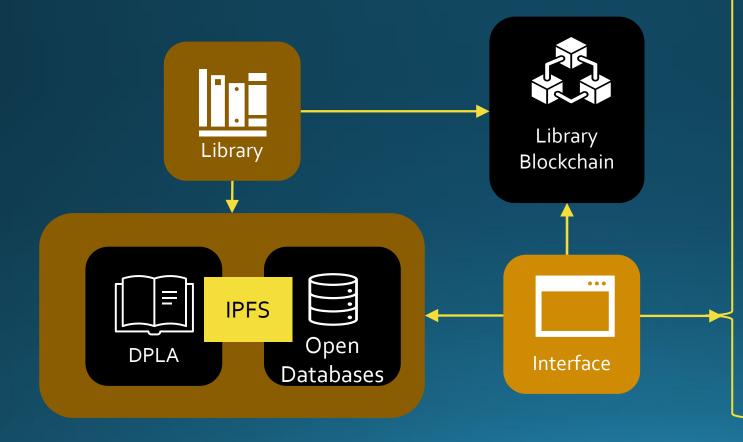
### Web3 - Library Applications

- Universal item records
- Universal library cards
- Permanent, Secure Digital Collections
- Open-repositories of eContent

### Web3 Publisher Model



# DeLib The Decentralized Public Library







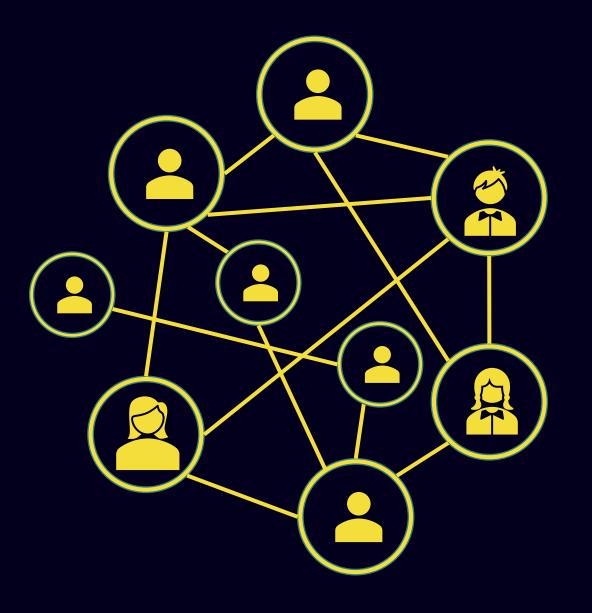


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### Thanks!

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