



WHAT THE HELL IS WEB3?

Edition 03

In simple terms

Tell me what it is in one sentence

Web3 provides a familiar interface (a webpage) to an unfamiliar data-store (a blockchain) via a website.



What is a Web3 Website?

A slightly more technical answer.

For a current technical perspective, a Web3 website is:



A Website



Containing Code



That allows the site to interact with a blockchain



And other blockchain related software



What is the significance of using a Blockchain instead of a database?

If your data and/or account is on someone else's database:

They can stop you making changes, or they can **delete** your account, and there is not much you can do about it, because they control the data store.

Database owners can censor you!

What is the significance of using a Blockchain instead of a database?

If your data and/or account is on a blockchain:
They can stop you accessing their interface,
or change the way they **present** your data to you,
But only you can change the data,
and you can always go directly to the source –
The Blockchain.

Blockchains are censorship resistant!

A brief history lesson

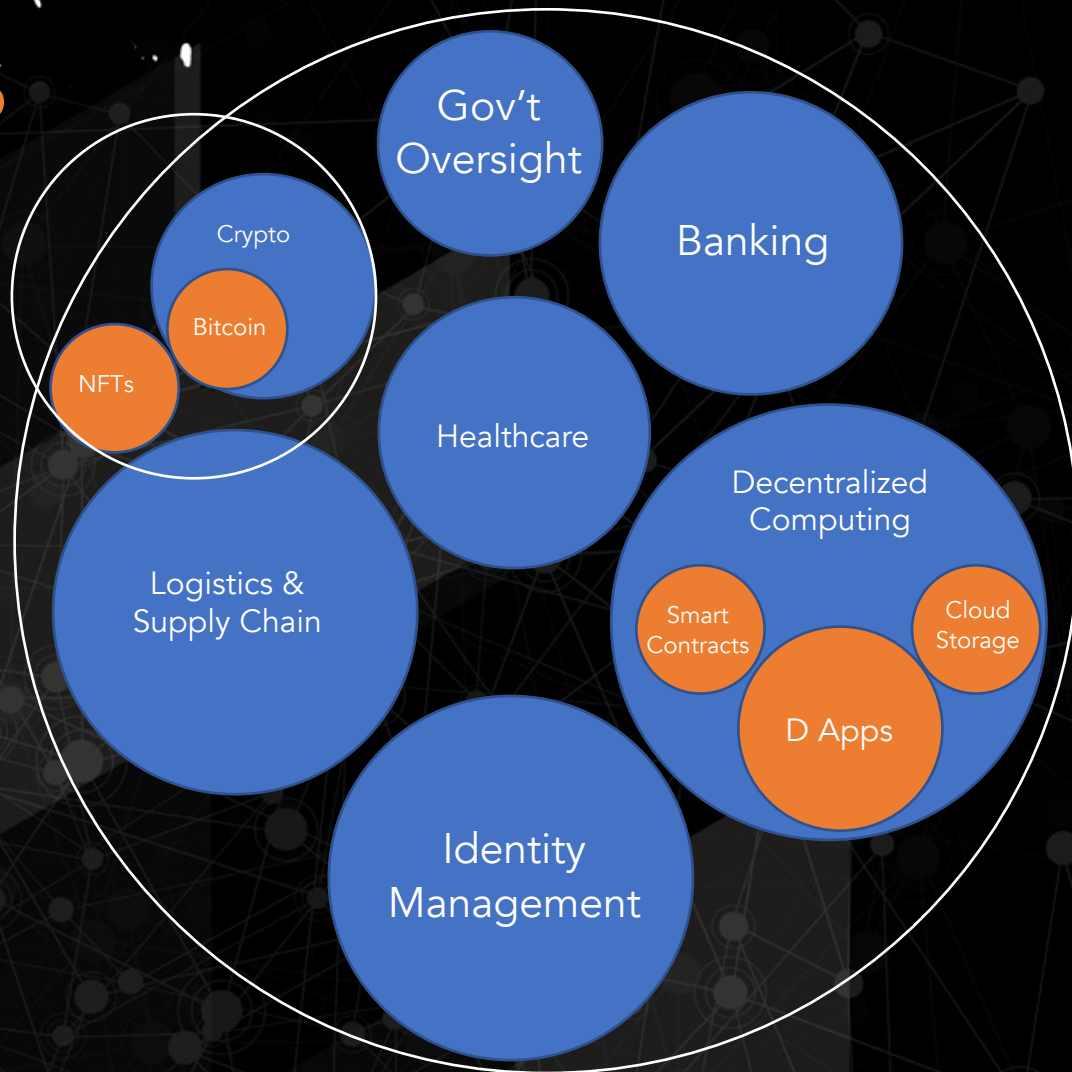
Technological change happens gradually.
This means dividing things into categories
that are often somewhat arbitrary.

| | 1990 | 2000 | 2010 | 2020 |
|------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Web1 | HTML HTTP URLs CGI | Browsers CSS | | |
| Web2 | | JavaScript | AJAX HTML5 | React Node.js |
| Web3 | | | | MetaMask ether.js |

Note that Web3 is an extension of Web2,
which is an extension of Web1.

Blockchain's Use Cases

What Everyone Wants to Talk About



What Blockchain Could Transform

Blockchain is so much more than Bitcoin, NFTs, and Crypto!

Thanks to Keir Finlow-Bates
and his book
Move Over Brokers, Here Comes the Blockchain



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