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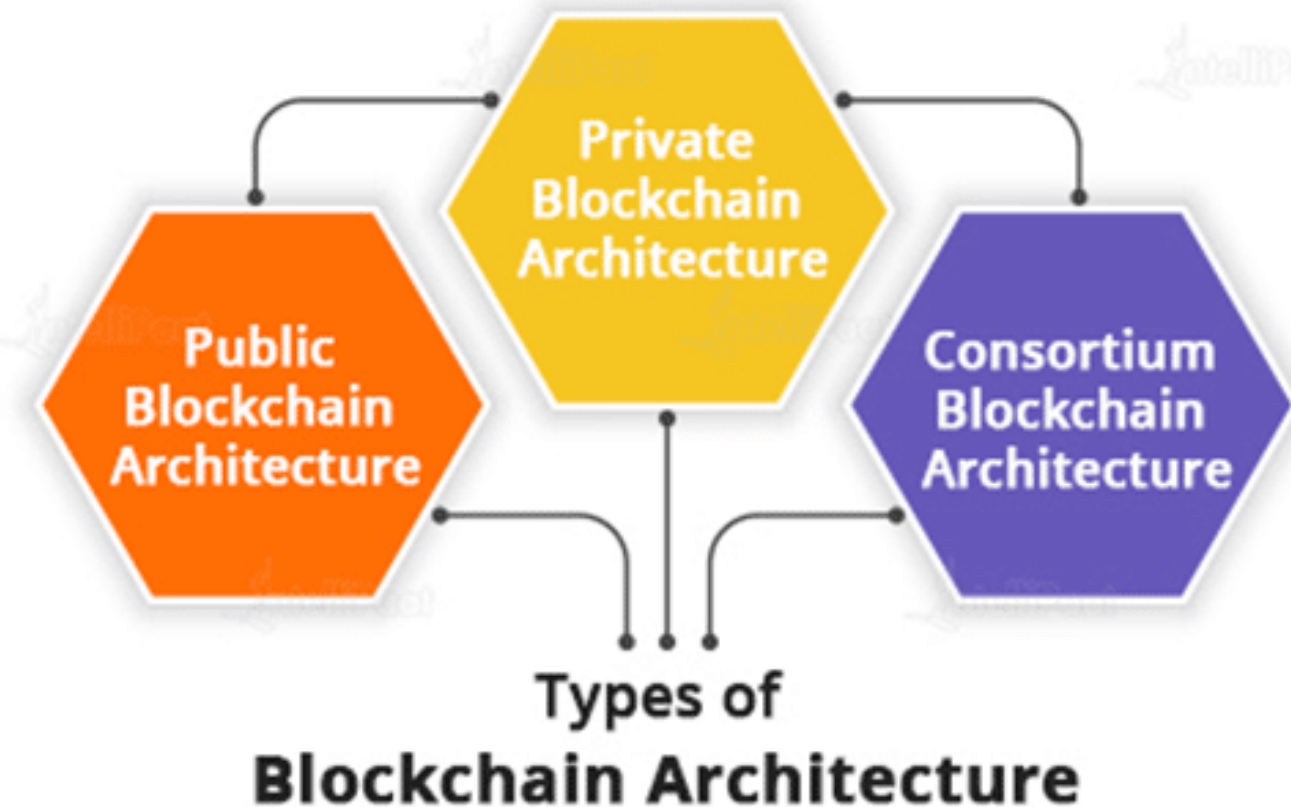Unit 1- INTRODUCTION TO BLOCKCHAIN

Topic 3: Blockchain Architecture

BLOCKCHAIN ARCHITECTURE

Types of blockchain

1. Public Blockchains
2. Private Blockchains
3. Consortiums Blockchains
4. Hybrid Blockchains

Types of Blockchain Architecture

Public Blockchains

- Public blockchains are open, decentralized networks of computers accessible to anyone wanting to request or validate a transaction (check for accuracy).
- Those (miners) who validate transactions receive rewards.
- Public blockchains use proof-of-work or proof-of-stake consensus.
- permission-less distributed ledger system.
- Anyone who has access to the internet can sign in on a blockchain platform to become an authorized node and be a part of the blockchain network.
- Example : Bitcoin and Ethereum (ETH) blockchains.
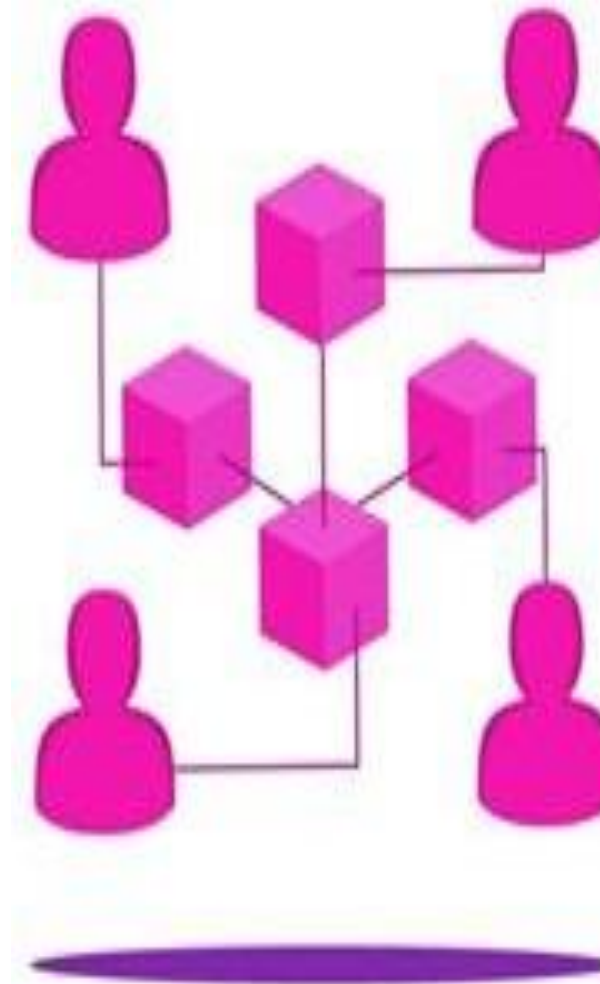
Public Blockchains

Network Type: Decentralized

Access: Anyone

Participants: Permissionless

Security: Consensus Mechanism, Proof of Work/Proof of Stake

Transaction Speed: Slow

Public Blockchains

A public blockchain features:

- Write-only, immutable, transparent data storage.

- It brings trust among the whole community of users

- Decentralized, no need for intermediaries.

- Consistent state across all participants.

- Resistant against malicious participants.

- Anyone can join the public blockchain.

Disadvantages

They suffer from a lack of transaction speed.

Private Blockchains

- **A Private Blockchain is just like a relational database i.e. fully centralized and owned by a single organization.**

- **Private blockchains are not open, they have access restrictions.**

- **People who want to join require permission from the system administrator.**

- **They are typically governed by one entity, meaning they're centralized.**

- **For example, Hyperledger is a private, permissioned blockchain.**

Private Blockchains

Network Type: Partially Decentralized

Access: Single Organization

Participants: Permissioned

Security: Pre-approved participants, Voting/Multi-party Consensus

Transaction Speed: Lighter and Faster

Consortiums blockchain

- consensus is reached by a relatively small number of nodes in accordance to the governance scheme.

- Increased scalability - Bitcoin's block transmits only up to 1 Mb* (from 1500 to 2700 transactions) per 10 minutes, when a consortium blockchain can optimize it to 1000 and more transactions per second.

- A consortium platform is more flexible.

- voting-based system, it ensures low latency and superb speed.
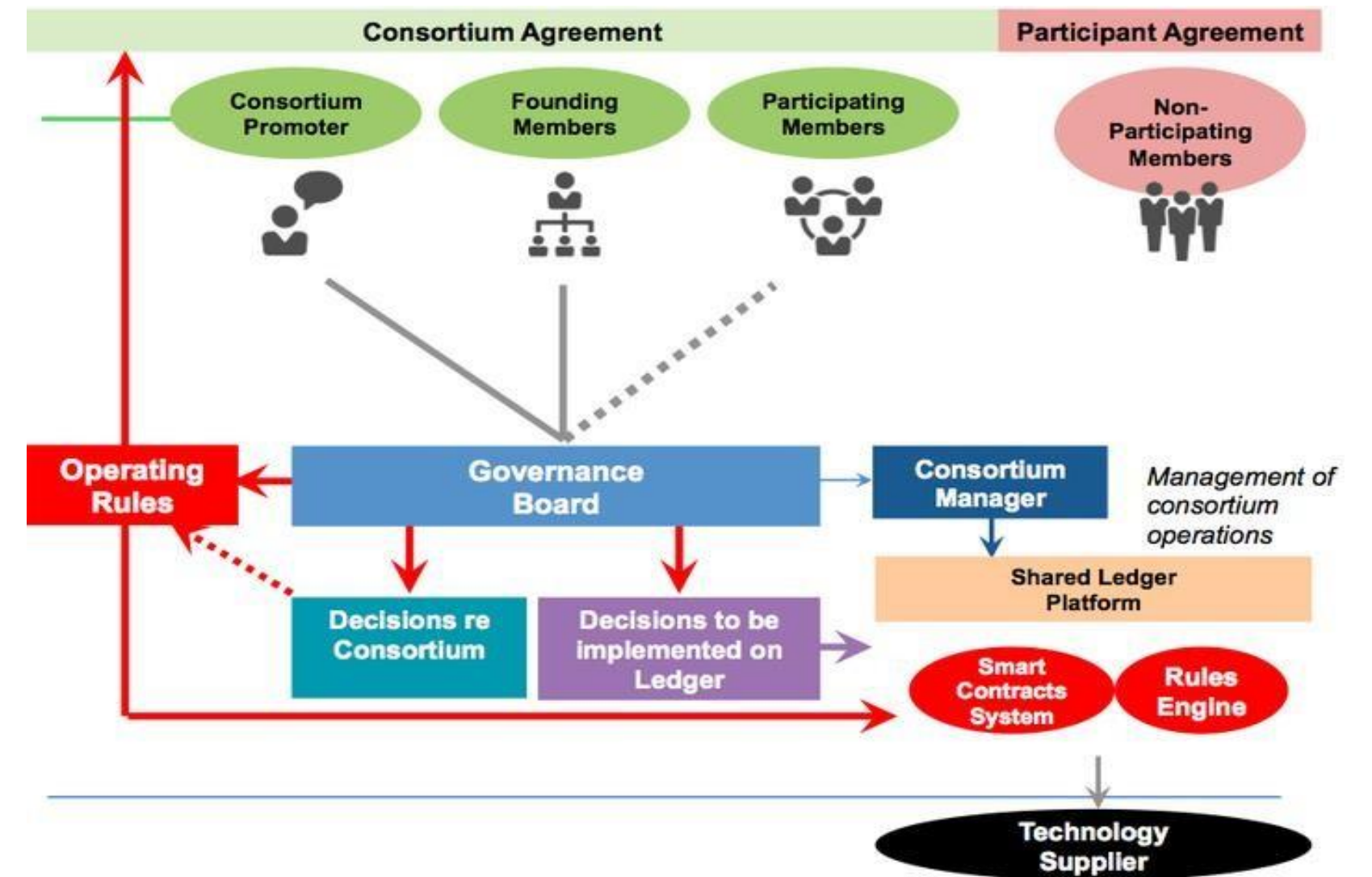
Pillars of Blockchain

5 components: Decentralization, encryption, Immutability, Tokenization, Decentralization

Distribution: Blockchain participants are located physically apart from each other and each node copy of a ledger that updates with new transactions as they occur.

• **Encryption:** Blockchain uses technologies such as public and private keys to record the data in the blocks securely.

• **Immutability:** Completed transactions are cryptographically signed, time-stamped and sequentially added to the ledger.

• **Tokenization:** Transactions and other interactions in a blockchain involve the secure exchange of value.

• **Decentralization:** Both network information and the rules for how the network operates are maintained by nodes due to consensus mechanism.
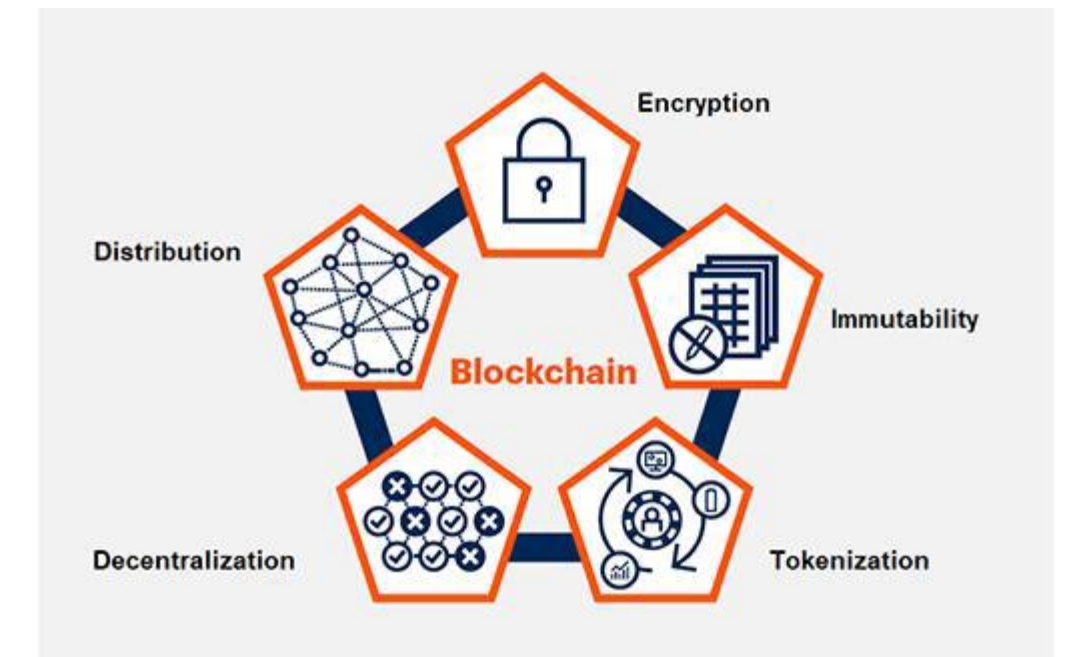
Assessment 1

1. A blockchain provides

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2. 5 elements of block chain

Ans : _____

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