

BC Data Management Benefits by Increasing Confidence in Datasets Supporting AI and Analytical Tools using Supply Chain Examples (blockchain for software system safety)

Based on Research Project:

Blockchain Technology in Support of Navy Logistics and Global Supply Chains

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Agenda

- What is system safety
- Quick review of Hyperledger Fabric (HLF) blockchain technology
- Review of blockchain project for Navy Supply Chain
- Review of new blockchain use cases for software system safety in support of data and training set integrity and provenance.



What is System Safety?

A risk management strategy based on identification, analysis of hazards, and application of remedial controls using a systems-based approach.

Motivation for Using HLF

- Consensus based providing tracking of assets, provenance and integrity of the data (immutability)--traceable and transparent.
- Datasets and training sets are also assets so BC can be used.
- AI/ML and system safety for data usually falls into the two highest software control categories:
 - Level 1(Autonomous)
 - Level 2 (Semi-Autonomous), MILSTD-882E.
- Threats to training sets include AI poisoning, etc.
- **Bonus:** Data scientists/analysts need to find and quickly access trusted datasets, algorithms, models.



Three Hyperledger Platforms

- IBM/Oracle Blockchain Demo (using HLF with consensus BC)
- Hyperledger Fabric Linux Foundation version on NPS Linux Virtual Machine.

Supply Chain Research Questions

Our focus is finding a Blockchain use case for Navy Logistics and Global Supply Chain such as the CLO (Combat Logistics Office) as well as other possible use cases. Specifically:

Three Use Cases

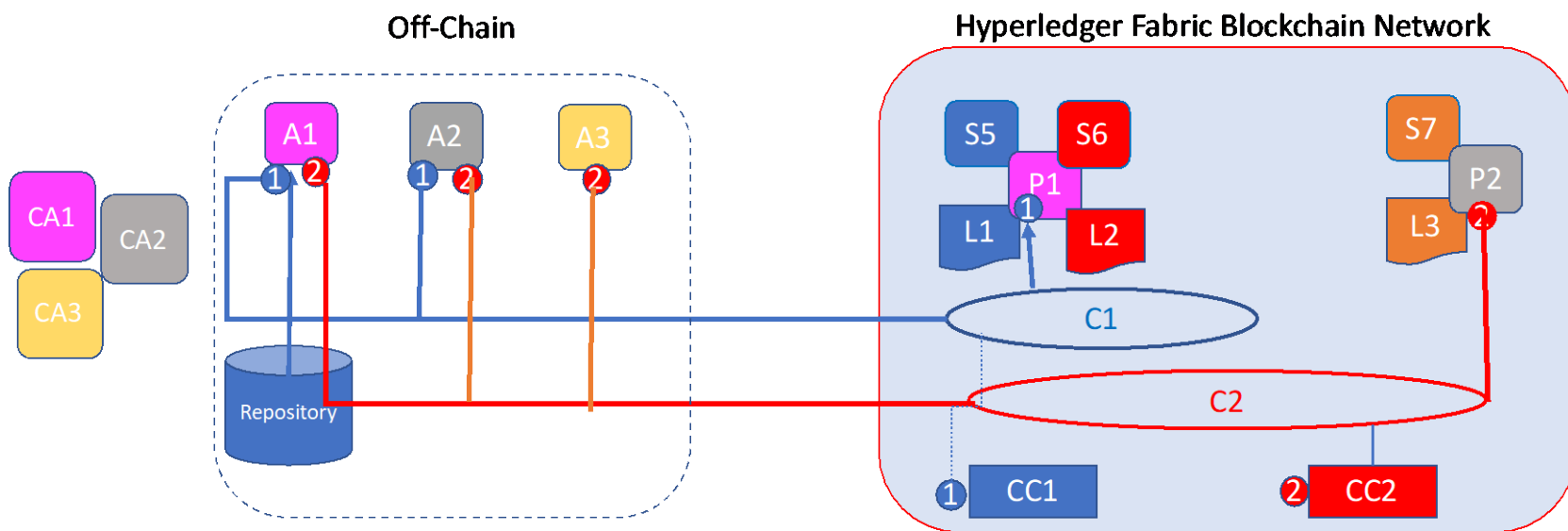
1. Financial and inventory transaction audit trails
2. Serial number tracking
3. Maintenance log integrity.

Sample smart contract for tracking food shipments (Language: Typescript)

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24
25 @Transaction()//change the contents of the ledger, submitted to the ledger
26 public async createFood(ctx: Context, foodId: string, value: string, location: string): Promise<void> {
27     const exists = await this.foodExists(ctx, foodId, location);
28     if (exists) {
29         throw new Error(`The food ${foodId} already exists`);
30     }
31     const food = new Food();
32     food.value = value;
33     const buffer = Buffer.from(JSON.stringify(food));
34     await ctx.stub.putState(foodId, buffer);
35 }
36
37 @Transaction(false) //evaluated
38 @Returns('Food')
39 public async readFood(ctx: Context, foodId: string, location: string): Promise<Food> {
40     const exists = await this.foodExists(ctx, foodId, location);
41     if (!exists) {
42         throw new Error(`The food ${foodId} does not exist`);
43     }
44     const buffer = await ctx.stub.getState(foodId);
45     const food = JSON.parse(buffer.toString()) as Food;
46     return food;
47 }
48
49 @Transaction()
50 public async updateFood(ctx: Context, foodId: string, newValue: string, location: string): Promise<void> {
51     const exists = await this.foodExists(ctx, foodId, location);
52     if (!exists) {
53         throw new Error(`The food ${foodId} does not exist`);
54     }
55     const food = new Food();
56     food.value = newValue;
57     const buffer = Buffer.from(JSON.stringify(food));
58     await ctx.stub.putState(foodId, buffer);
59 }
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61 @Transaction()
    
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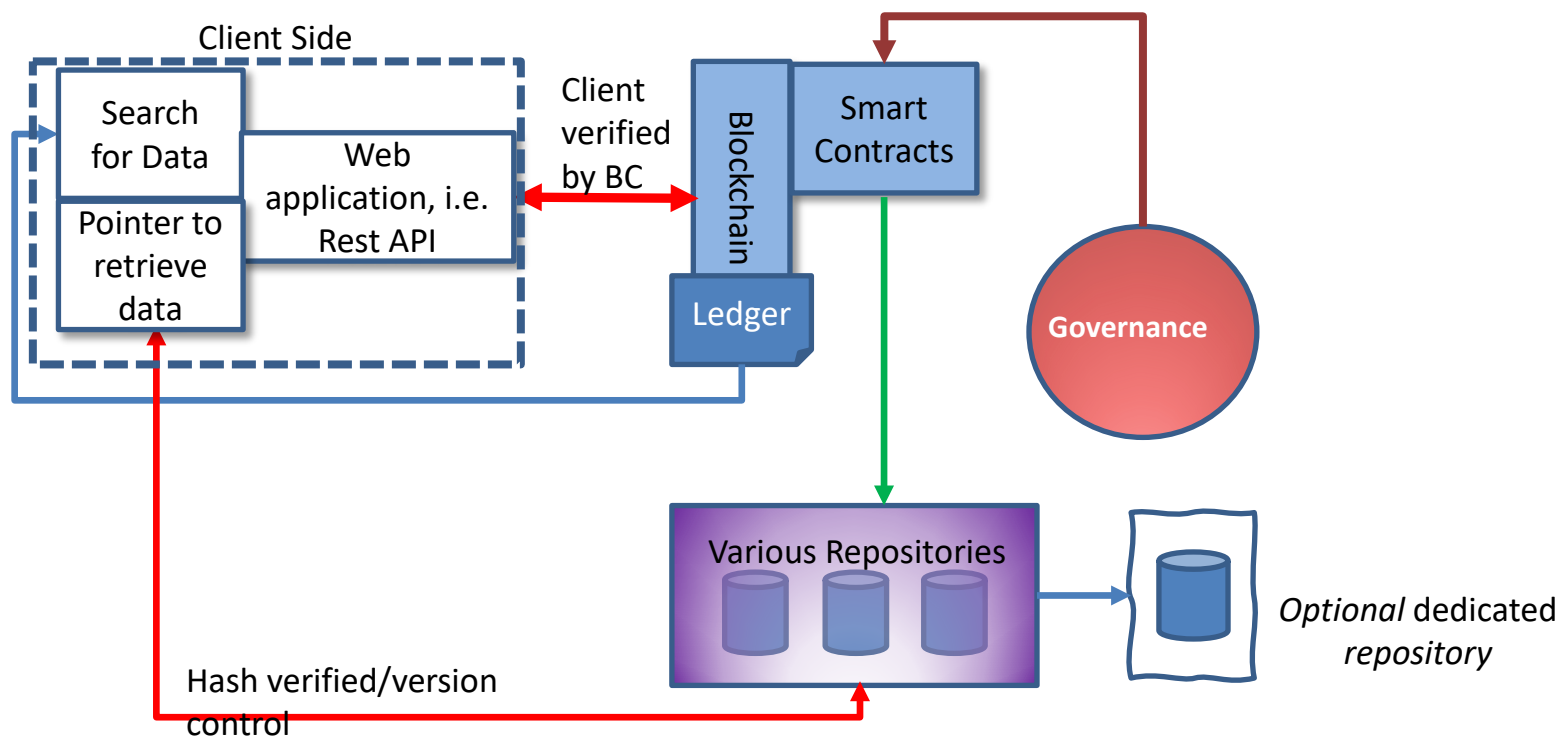
Hyperledger Blockchain for System Safety (Use Case Examples)



Note: Does not include all blockchain elements.



Data Scientist Use Case Example

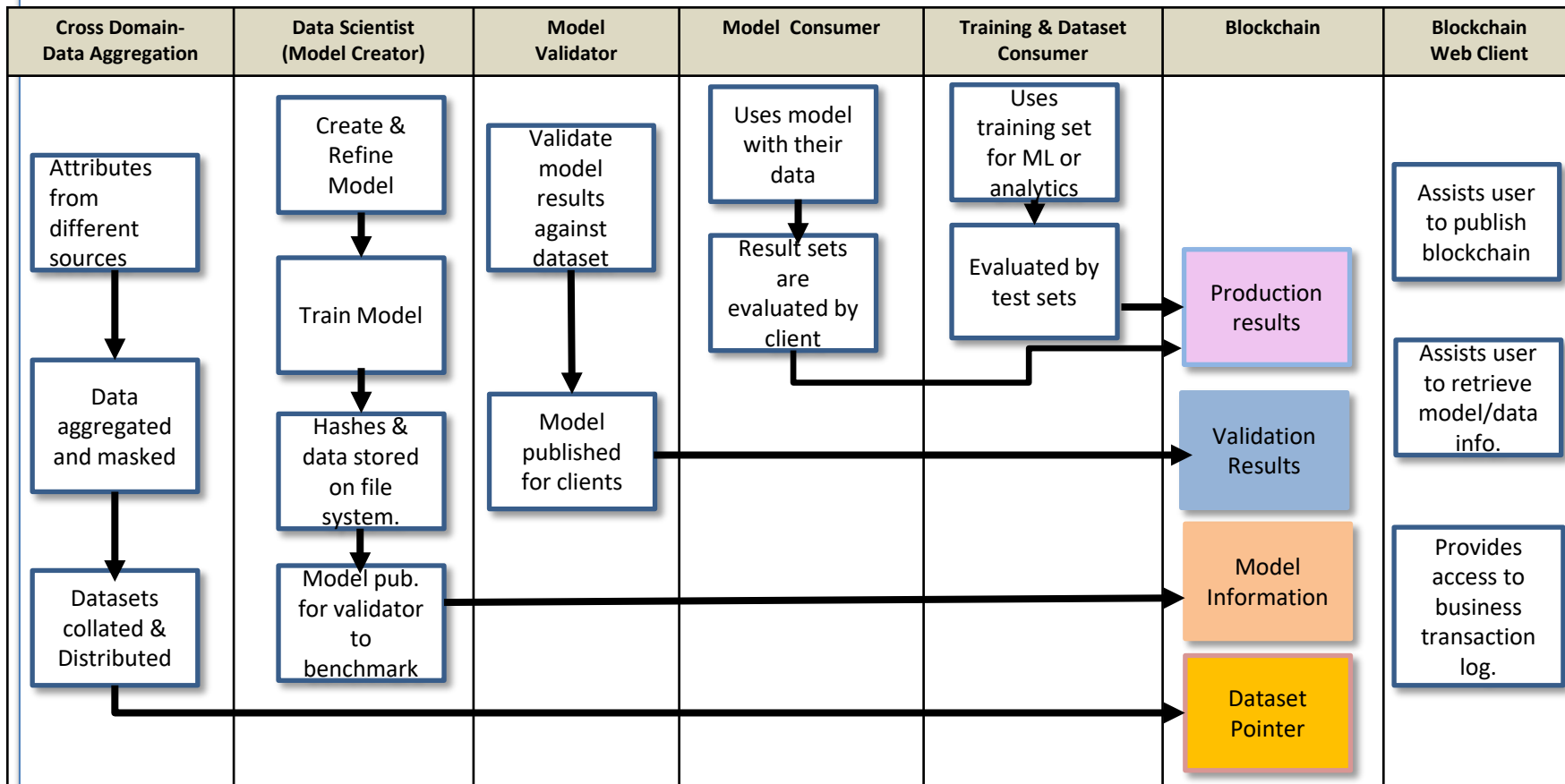


Federated Learning (FL)

- Collaborative ML technique whereby the devices collectively train and update a shared ML model while preserving their datasets.
 - Some devices on the edge may prove untrustworthy
 - Reputation-aware FL
 - Trust through BC consensus
 - Trust algorithms implemented through BC smart contracts.
 - Integration of certain non-DoD IoT devices on the edge through HLF.



Various Scenarios using HLF



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Virtual Labs (via VPN)

- Oracle Database for GCSS-MC
- Aviation Maintenance DB
- NPS virtual Linux Red Hat to host Hyperledger Fabric Blockchain
- Support from ITACS