Progress on Scaling via Client-Side Validation

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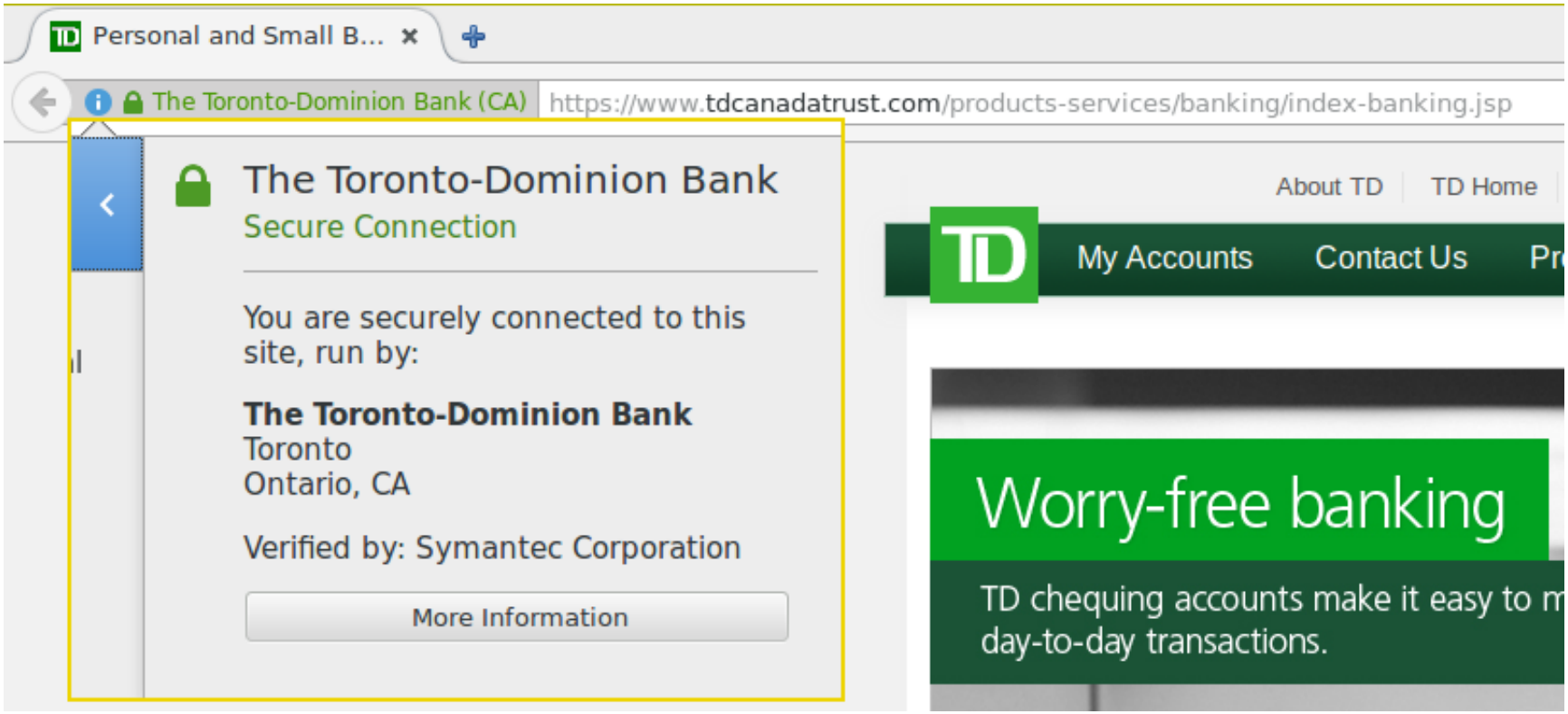
The Miner-Side Approach

```
{
  [0] "Chronos"
  (call 0x11d11764cd7f6ecda172e0b72370e6ea7f75f290
   0 0 0 32 0 0)
}
{
  ; Split the call data in groups of 32 bytes
  ; (2^256 = 2^8^32)
  ; Loop over this list with @i as an index
  (for () (< @i (/ (calldatasize) 32)) [i](+ @i 1) {
    ; Get the current hash
    [hash](calldataload (* @i 32))
    ; If the hash isn't already registered in
    ; storage, set a new entry
    (unless @@@hash [[@hash]](timestamp))
  })
}
```

What do we mean by 'Client-Side'?



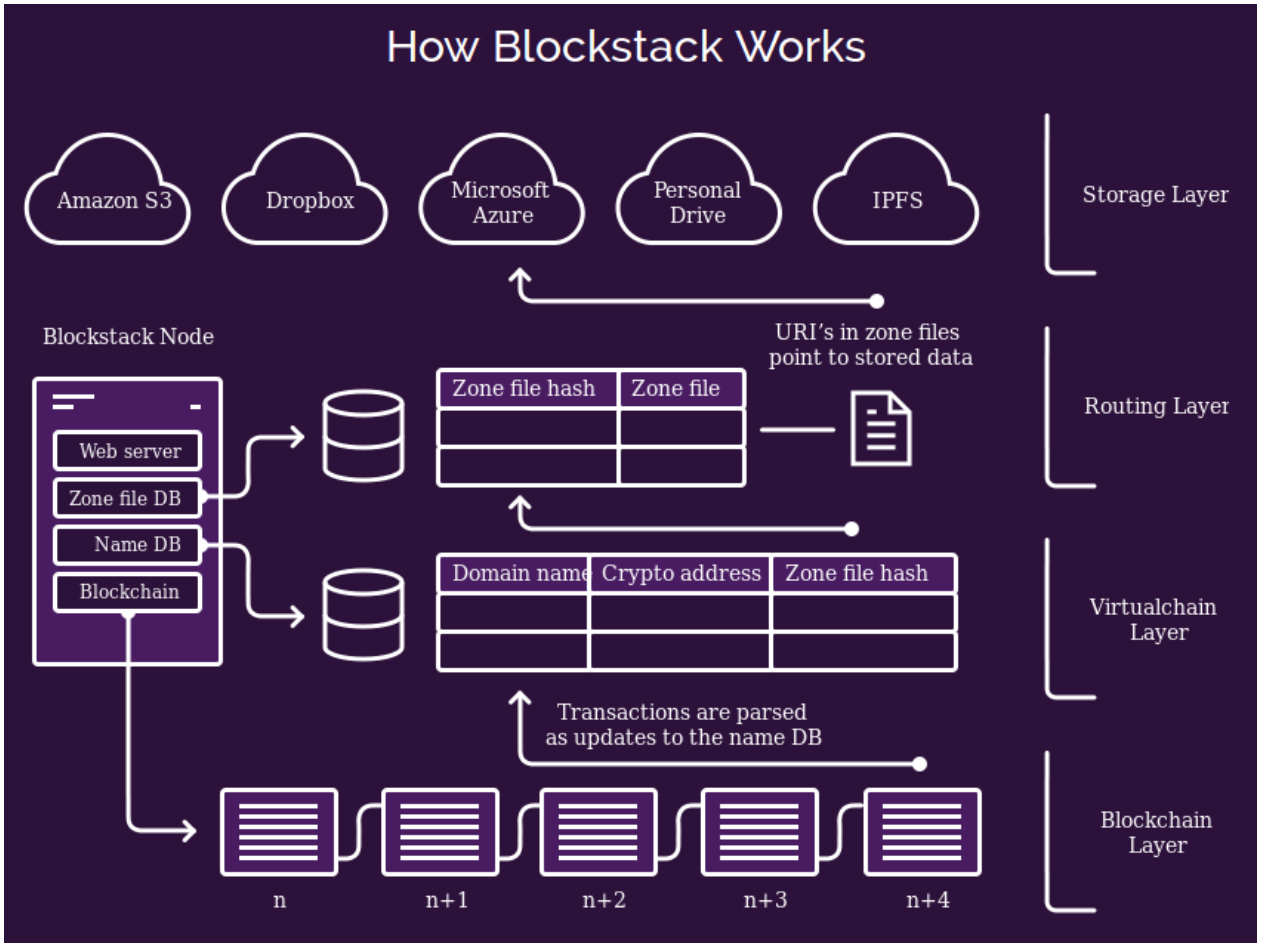
Client-Side Validation Toolbox

- Signatures
- Proof-of-Existence (Timestamping)
- Proof-of-Publication

Case Study: OpenTimestamps

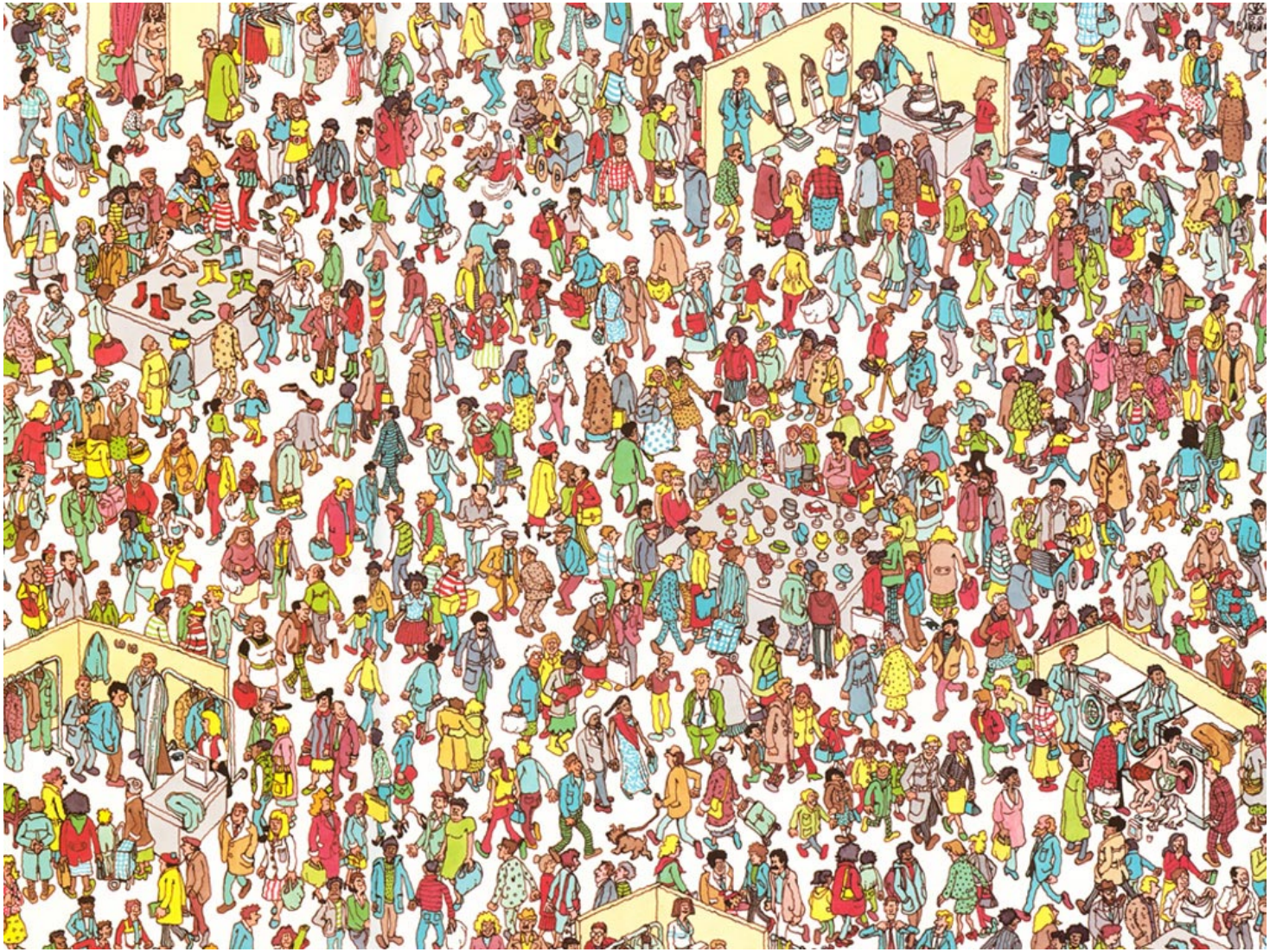
```
$ git tag -v opentimestamps-client-v0.2.1
object fe19cd28c0685505ff3c2f6bfcb4d18abc85efa2
type commit
tag opentimestamps-client-v0.2.1
tagger Peter Todd <pete@petertodd.org> 1474872017 -0400

Release opentimestamps-client-v0.2.1
ots: Success! Bitcoin attests data existed as of
        Mon Sep 26 02:45:43 2016 EDT
ots: Good timestamp
gpg: Signature made Mon 26 Sep 2016 02:40:18 AM EDT
gpg:                using RSA key 6399011044E8AFB2
gpg: Good signature from "Peter Todd <pete@petertodd.org>"
gpg:                 aka "[jpeg image of size 5220]"
```

Case Study: Blockstack



Do miners need to validate blocks?

Where's Waldo? - The double-spend problem



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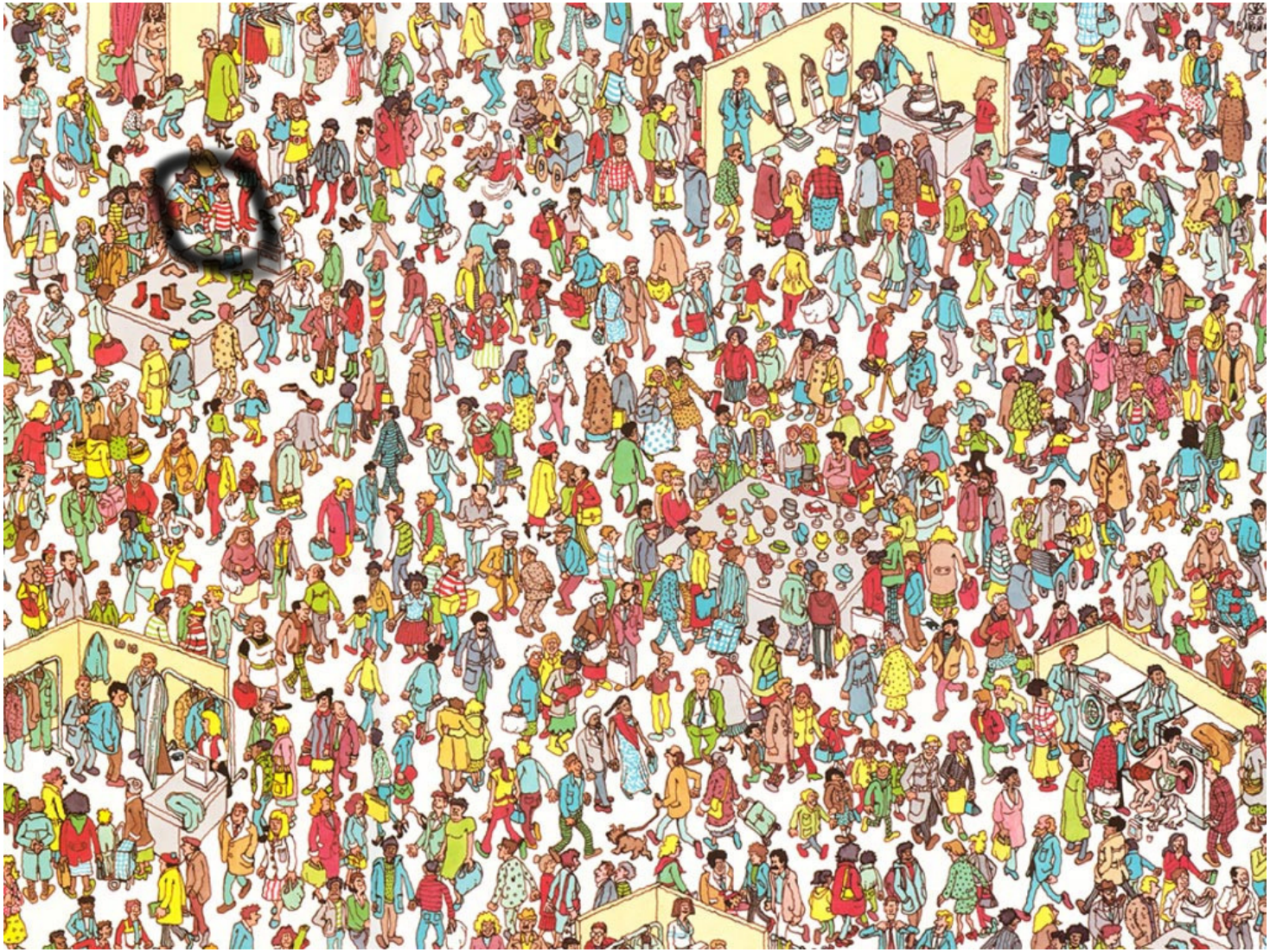

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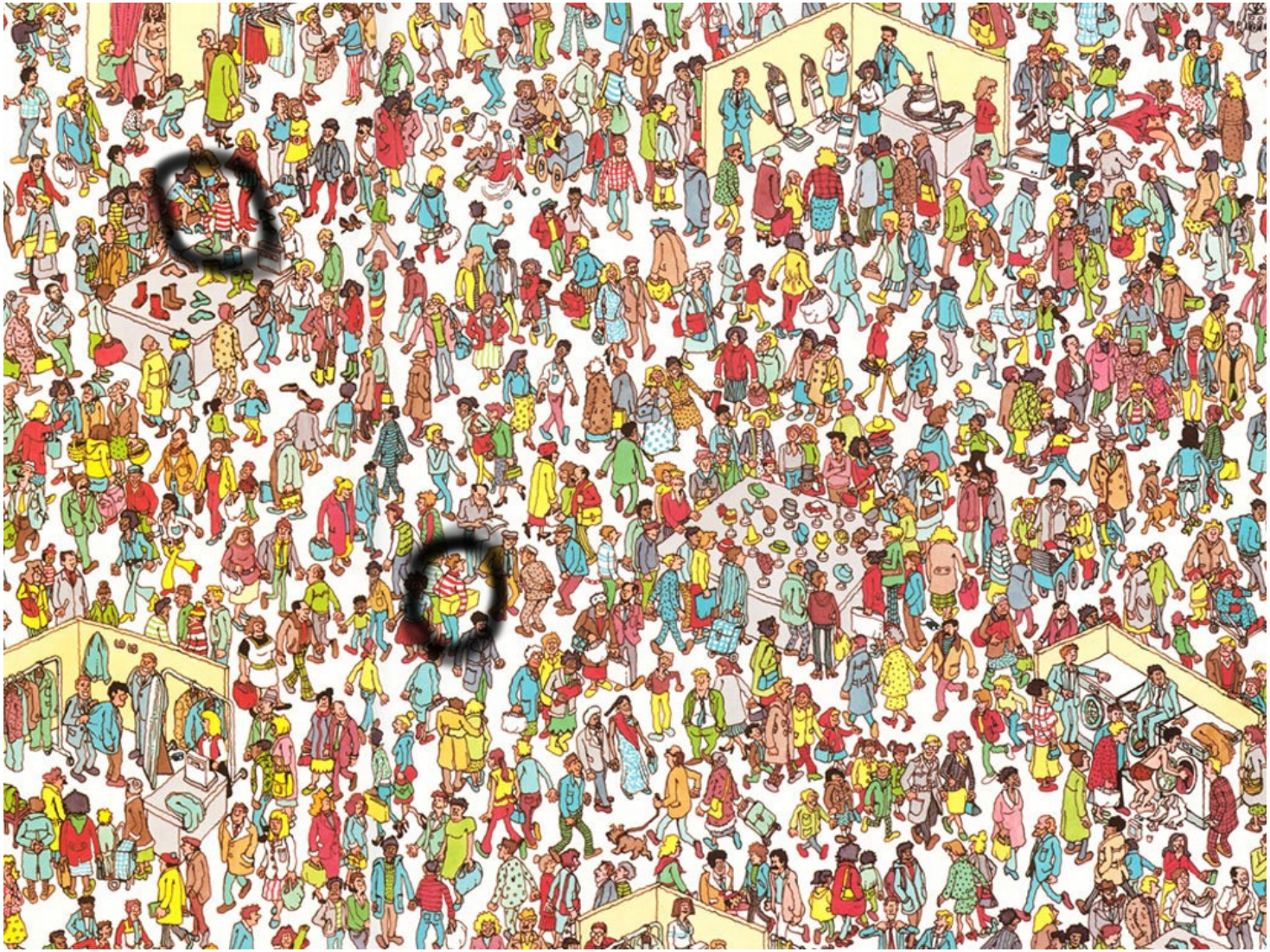
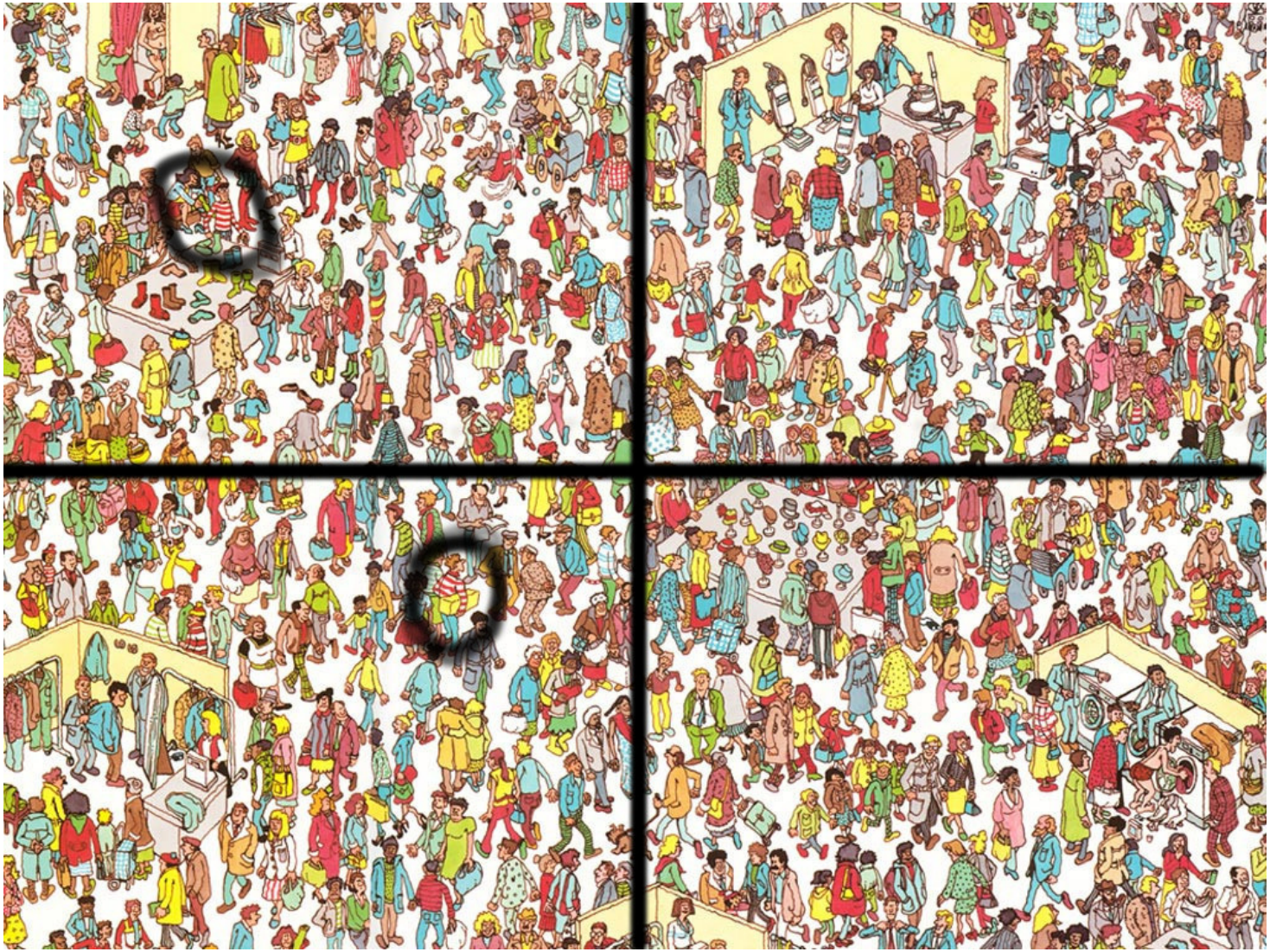
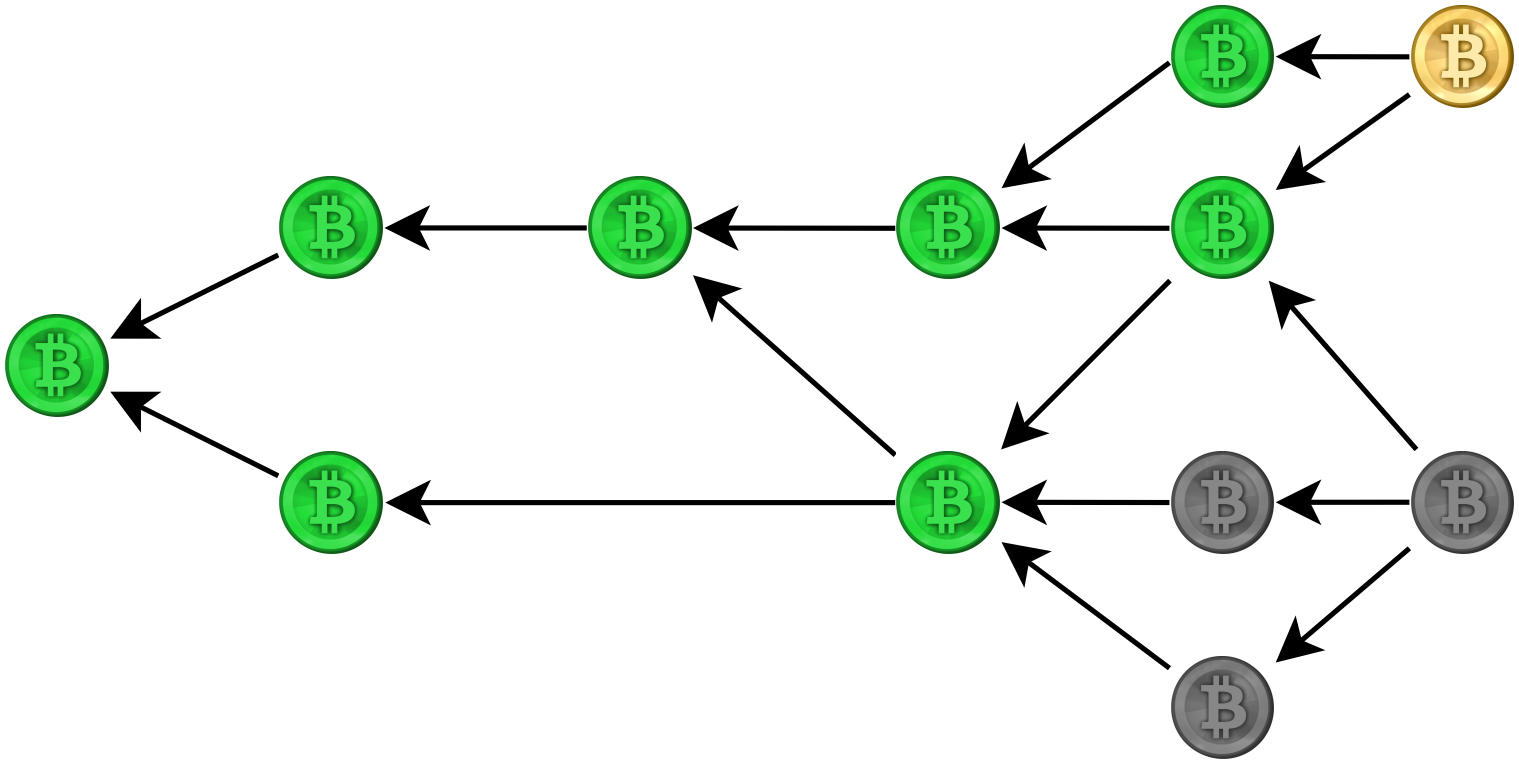


Where's Waldo? - Split chains

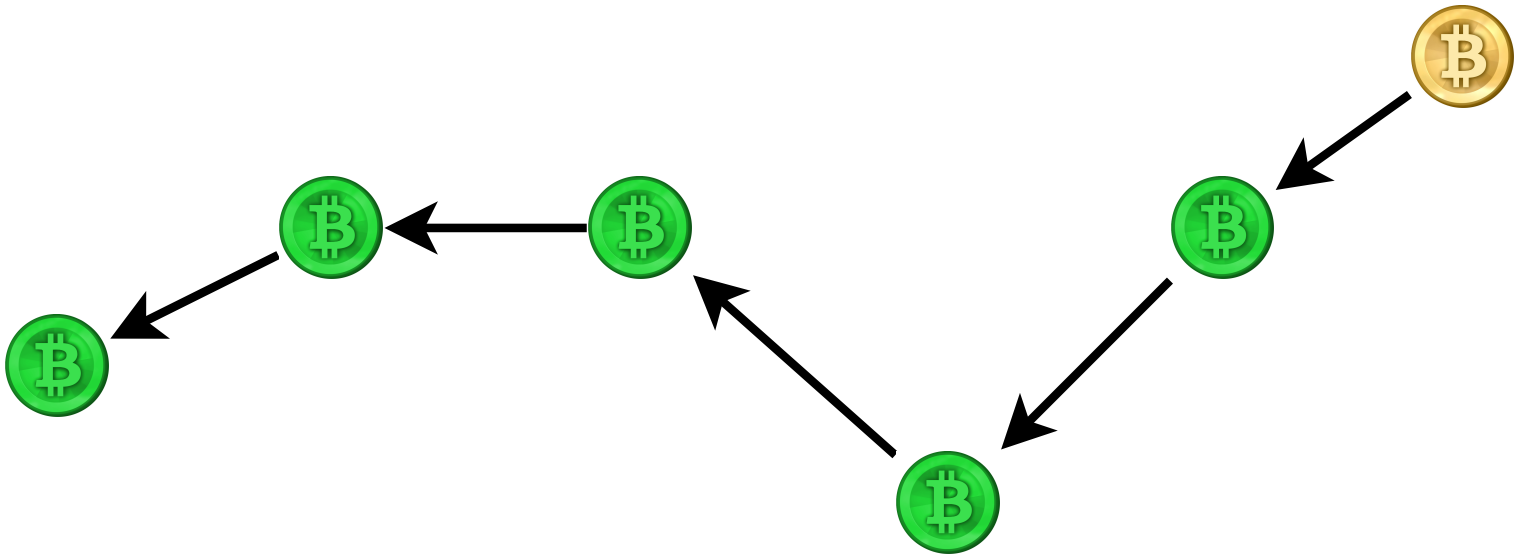


Where's Waldo? - Sharded chains

Transaction History Proof



Transaction History Linearization



Transaction History Linearization

$$x = \sum \text{fake inputs} \tag{1}$$

$$y = \sum \text{real inputs} \tag{2}$$

Transaction History Linearization

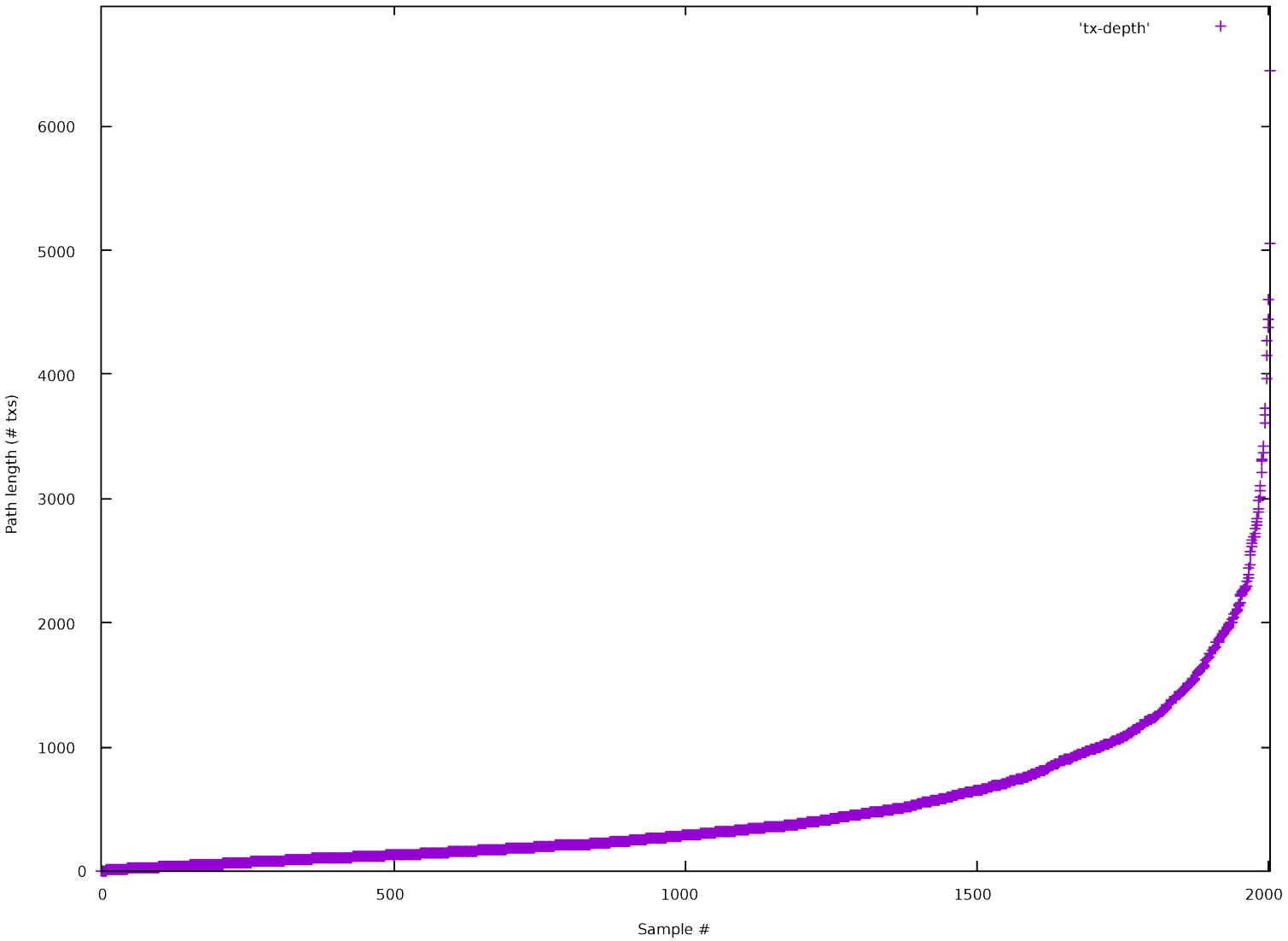
$$E_x = x(1 - \frac{x}{x+y}) - y(\frac{x}{x+y}) \tag{3}$$

$$= x(\frac{x+y}{x+y} - \frac{x}{x+y}) - y(\frac{x}{x+y}) \tag{4}$$

$$= x(\frac{y}{x+y}) - y(\frac{x}{x+y}) \tag{5}$$

$$= 0 \tag{6}$$

Linearization Simulation



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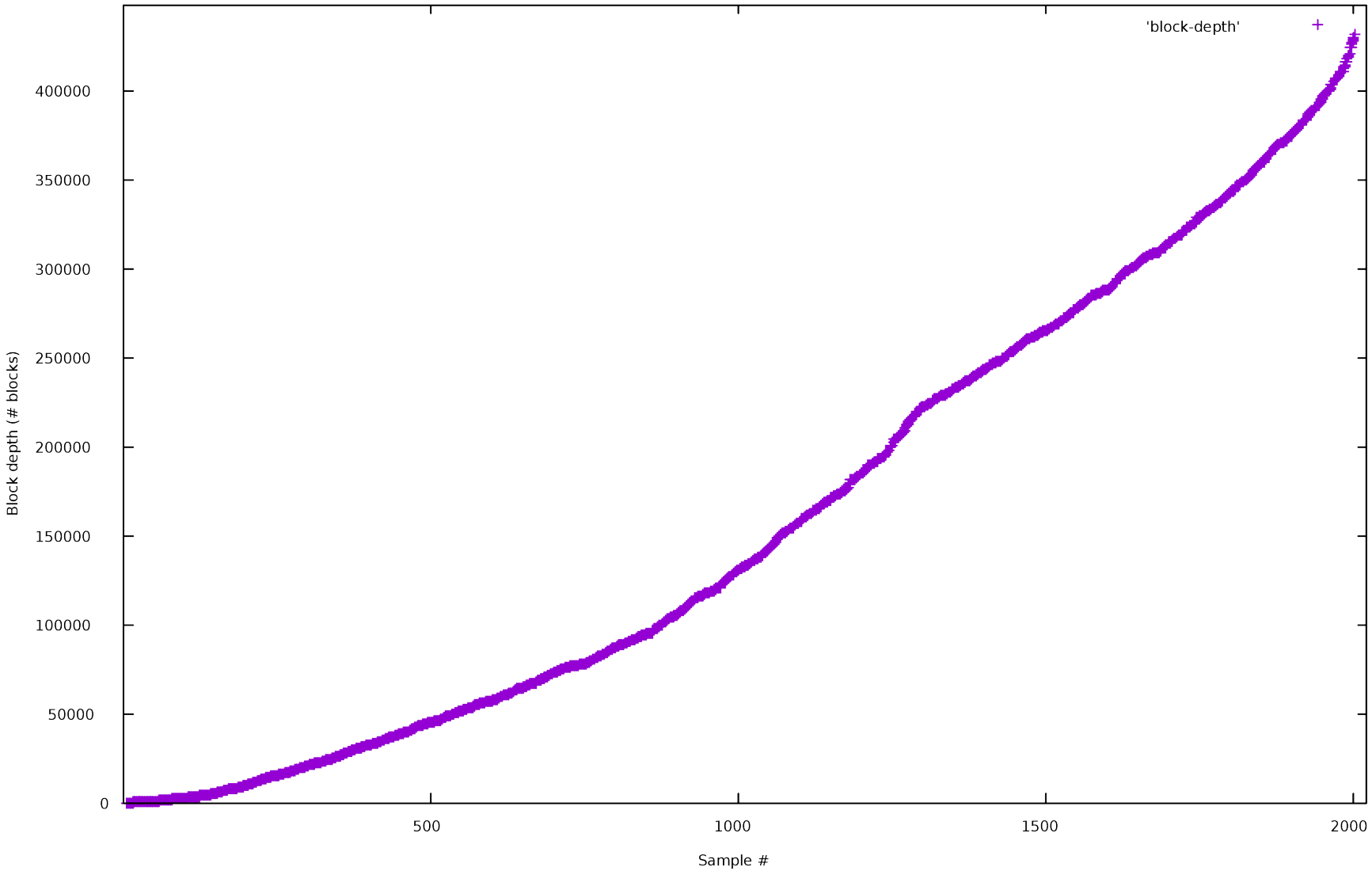

Defining Protocols

0xf1 CALL 7 1 Message-call into an account.

$\mathbf{i} \equiv \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{m}[\boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[3] \dots (\boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[3] + \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[4] - 1)]$

$$(\boldsymbol{\sigma}', g', A^+, \mathbf{o}) \equiv \begin{cases} \Theta(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, I_a, I_o, t, t, & \text{if } \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[2] \leqslant \boldsymbol{\sigma}[I_a]_b \wedge \\ \quad C_{\text{CALLGAS}}(\boldsymbol{\mu}), I_p, \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[2], \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[2], \mathbf{i}, I_e + 1) & I_e < 1024 \\ (\boldsymbol{\sigma}, g, \varnothing, \mathbf{o}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$n \equiv \min(\{\boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[6], |\mathbf{o}|\})$

$\boldsymbol{\mu}'_\mathbf{m}[\boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[5] \dots (\boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[5] + n - 1)] = \mathbf{o}[0 \dots (n-1)]$

$\boldsymbol{\mu}'_g \equiv \boldsymbol{\mu}_g + g'$

$\boldsymbol{\mu}'_\mathbf{s}[0] \equiv x$

$A' \equiv A \uplus A^+$

$t \equiv \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[1] \mod 2^{160}$

where $x = 0$ if the code execution for this operation failed due to an exceptional halting $Z(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, I) = \top$ or if $\boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[2] > \boldsymbol{\sigma}[I_a]_b$ (not enough funds) or $I_e = 1024$ (call depth limit reached); $x = 1$ otherwise.

$\boldsymbol{\mu}'_i \equiv M(M(\boldsymbol{\mu}_i, \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[3], \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[4]), \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[5], \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[6])$

Thus the operand order is: gas, to, value, in offset, in size, out offset, out size.

$C_{\text{CALL}}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) \equiv G_{call} + \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[0] + C_{\text{CALLXFER}}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) + C_{\text{CALLNEW}}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\mu})$

$$C_{\text{CALLXFER}}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) \equiv \begin{cases} G_{callvalue} & \text{if } \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[2] \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$C_{\text{CALLNEW}}(\boldsymbol{\sigma}, \boldsymbol{\mu}) \equiv \begin{cases} G_{callnewaccount} & \text{if } \boldsymbol{\sigma}[\boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[1] \mod 2^{160}] = \varnothing \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$C_{\text{CALLGAS}}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) \equiv \begin{cases} \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[0] + G_{callstipend} & \text{if } \boldsymbol{\mu}_\mathbf{s}[2] \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Thank you!