Deletion in the context of cryptography

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Taking on the epic boss: The right to be forgotten





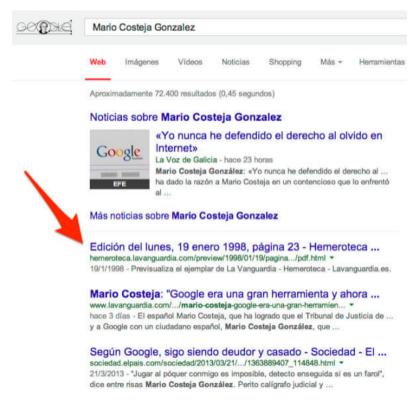
Right to erasure ('right to be forgotten') Art. 17 GDPR

- (1) The data subject shall have the right to obtain from the controller the **erasure** of personal data (...) if:
- a) the personal data are **no longer necessary** in relation to the purposes for which they were collected (...);
- b) the data subject withdraws consent (...);
- d) the personal data have been unlawfully processed;
- (2) **Inform others** that you deleted (BTW)

"Delete" on a storage device



"Delete" from index of a search engine





Más noticias sobre Mario Costeja Gonzalez

Mario Costeja: "Google era una gran herramienta y ahora ... www.lavanguardia.com/.../mario-costeja-google-era-una-gran-herramien... • hace 3 días - El español Mario Costeja, que ha logrado que el Tribunal de Justicia de ...

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"Delete" an auto complete value



"Delete" in a state register (such as land registry)?

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What is "true" in the digital world?

Does ist make much sense to try to get rid of "false" information in the cyberspace?

<u>Traditional understanding:</u> "False information shall be deleted" → paper files, newspapers, single servers

New (?) understanding: "True is only what has been validated by the authorized perso or body"



Do we need a new dogma of trust in information in the digital era? How can a Web 3.0 contribute?

How can we "erase" data from a Blockchain (without making it unfunctional)?

- Legal obligation of the nodes to comply with a deletion command
- Pruning ("Trim the Merkle-Tree")
- Zero-Knowledge-Proofs
- Chameleon Hash

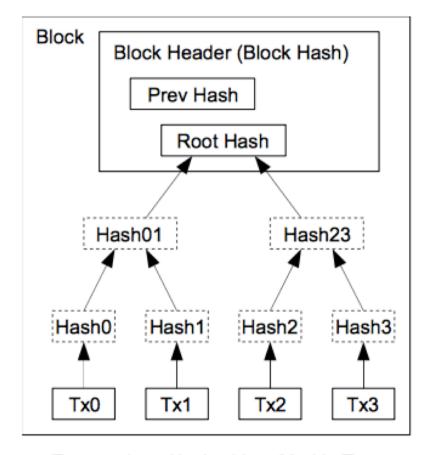


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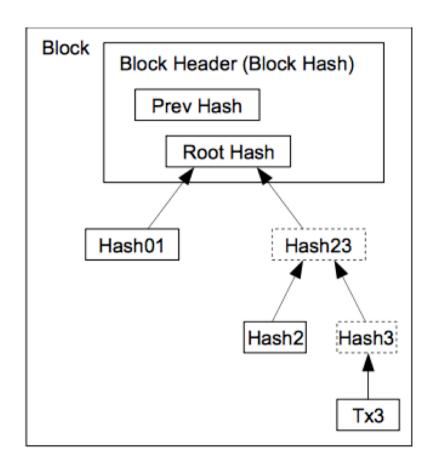
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Pruning ("Trim the Merkle-Tree")

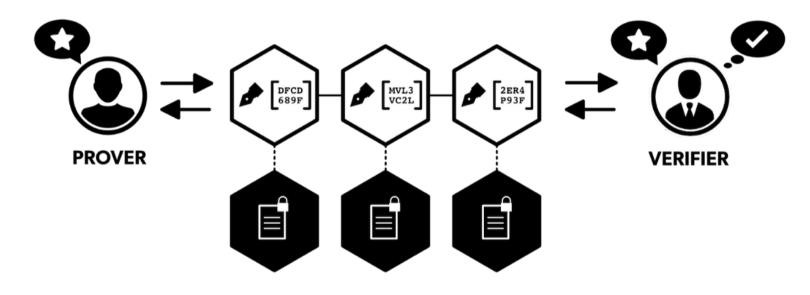


Transactions Hashed in a Merkle Tree



After Pruning Tx0-2 from the Block

Zero-Knowledge-Proofs



PROOFS AND SECRET DATA

Chameleon Hash

