

# BLOCK CHAIN BASED CERTIFICATE VALIDATION

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## ABSTRACT

In the digital world, each and everything is digitalized in which the certificate of SSLC, HSC, and academic certificate are digitalized in the educational institution and provided to the students. Students are difficult to maintain their degree certificates. For the organization and institution, verification and validation of certificates are tedious and cumbersome. Our project will help to store the certificate in the blockchain system and provide security. First, the paper certificates are converted into digital certificates. The chaotic algorithm is used to generate the hash code value for the certificate. Then the certificates are store in blockchain. And these certificates are validated by using the mobile application. By using blockchain technology we can provide a more secure and efficient digital certificate validation.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Advances in information technology, the wide availability of the Internet, and common usage of mobile devices have changed the lifestyle of human beings. Virtual currency, digital coins originally designed for use online, has begun to be extensively adopted in real life. Because of the convenience of the Internet, various virtual currencies are thriving, including the

most popular—Bit coin, Ether, and Ripple—the value of which has surged recently. People are beginning to pay attention to block chain, the backbone technology of these revolutionary currencies. Block chain features a decentralized and incorruptible database that has high potential for a diverse range of uses. Block chain is a distributed database that is widely used for recording distinct transactions. Once a consensus is reached among different nodes, the transaction is added to a block that already holds records of several transactions. Each block contains the hash value of its last counterpart for connection. All the blocks are connected and together they form a blockchain. Data are distributed among various nodes (the distributed data storage) and are thus

decentralized. Consequently, the nodes maintain the database together. Under blockchain, a block becomes validated only once it has been verified by multiple parties. Furthermore, the data in blocks cannot be modified arbitrarily. A blockchain-based smart contract, for example, creates a reliable system because it dispels doubts about information's veracity. Because information technology has developed rapidly in recent years, data protection is more necessary than ever.

Graduates, whether they choose to continue studying or start job hunting, require various certificates for interviews. However, they often find that they have lost their educational and commendation certificates. Reapplying for hard copies can be time-consuming because certificates are granted by different organizations and in-person application may be necessary. By contrast, applying for an e-copy can save paper and time. By providing information for identity verification, graduates are able to apply for any certificate easily. Nevertheless, because of this convenience, forged degree certificates, licenses, and certificates are prevalent. Consequently, schools and companies cannot instantly validate the documents they receive. To solve this problem, a certificate system based on blockchain was designed in this study. Data are stored in different nodes, and anyone who wishes to modify a particular internal datum must request that other nodes modify it simultaneously. Thus, the system is highly reliable.

In this study, we developed a decentralized application and designed a certificate system based on Ethereum blockchain. This technology was selected because it is incorruptible, encrypted, and trackable and permits data synchronization. By integrating the features of blockchain, the system improves the efficiency operations at each stage. The system saves on paper, cuts management costs, prevents document forgery, and provides accurate and reliable information on digital certificates.

### **1.1 Objective of the project:**

In the digital world, each and everything is digitalized in which the certificate of SSLC, HSC, and academic certificate are digitalized in the educational institution and provided to the students. Students are difficult to maintain their degree certificates. For the organization and institution, verification and validation of certificates are tedious and cumbersome. Our project will help to store the certificate in the blockchain system and provide security. First, the paper certificates are converted into digital certificates. The chaotic algorithm is used to generate the hash code value for the certificate. Then the certificates are store in blockchain. And these certificates are validated by using the mobile application. By using blockchain technology we can provide a more secure and efficient digital certificate validation.

## **2. LITERATURE SURVEY**

### **Verification and Validation of Certificate Using Blockchain**

According to the Indian Ministry of Education statistics, document verification is a complex domain that involves various challenging and tedious processes to authenticate. Due to the lack of an effective anti-forgery mechanism, events that cause the graduation certificate to be forged often get noticed. In order to solve the problem of counterfeiting certificates, the digital certificate system based on blockchain technology would be proposed. For students, educational certificates are the most important documents issued by their universities. However, as the issuing process is not that transparent and verifiable, fake certificates can be easily created. A skillful

generated fake certificate is always hard to detect and can be treated as the original. With the increase of forged documents, the credibility of both the document holder and the issuing authority is jeopardized. In order to solve the problem of counterfeiting certificates, the digital certificate system based on blockchain technology would be proposed. By the modifiable property of blockchain, the digital certificate with anti-counterfeit and verifiability could be made. The procedure of issuing the digital certificate in this system is as follows. First, generate the electronic file of a paper certificate accompanying other related data into the database, meanwhile; calculate the electronic file for its hash value. Finally, store the hash value into the block in the chain system. In this research, the authors have identified the security themes required for document verification in the blockchain. This research also identifies the gaps and loopholes in the current blockchain-based educational certificate verification. The system will create a related QR-code and inquiry string code to affix to the paper certificate. It will provide the demand unit to verify the authenticity of the paper certificate through mobile phone scanning or website inquiry

### **Design And Develop Certificate Validation System Using Smart Contract**

Blockchain is an emerging technology that has the potential to revolutionize the global industry and create a trusted relationship in a multi-party business network. Block-chain is one of the most stable open ledgers that preserves transaction information, and is difficult to forge. Since the information

stored in block-chain is not related to personally identifiable information, it has the characteristics of anonymity. There are a number of practical use cases where blockchain has been applied. Throughout the educational course students receive various kinds of performance certificates, score transcript, mark sheets etc which can become an extremely important attribute for having admissions to new schools or new works. Due to anti-forgery mechanism, it is easy to make fake documents. To solve the problem of fraudulent certificates, the digital certificate system based on block chain technology would be proposed. By the unmodifiable property of block chain, the digital certificate with anti-counterfeit and verification could be made. Through the unmodifiable properties of the block chain, the system not only enhances the credibility of various paper based certificates, but also electronically reduces the loss risks of various types of certificates.

### **Generating E-Certificate and Validation using Blockchain**

Lakhs of people get Degrees year after year, due to the lack of effective anti-forgery mechanism, events that cause the graduation certificate to be forged often get noticed. according to the Indian Ministry of Education statistics, document verification is a complex domain that involves various challenging and tedious processes to authenticate. Certificate of Blockchain is a large and open-access online ledger in which each node saves and verifies the same data. Using the proposed system manual proposed block chain based system reduces the Likelihood of certificate

forgery. The processes of generation certificate granting are open and transparent in the system. Due to the lack of an effective anti-forgery mechanism, events that cause the graduation certificate to be forged often get noticed. In order to solve the problem of counterfeiting certificates, the digital certificate system based on block chain technology would be proposed. For students, educational certificates are the most important documents issued by their universities. However, as the issuing process is not that transparent and verifiable, fake certificates can be easily created. A skillful generated fake certificate is always hard to detect and can be treated as the original. With the increase of forged documents, the credibility of both the document holder and the issuing authority is jeopardized. In order to solve the problem of counterfeiting certificates, the digital certificate system based on blockchain technology would be proposed. By the modifiable property of blockchain, the digital certificate with anti-counterfeit and verifiability could be made. The procedure of issuing the digital certificate in this system is as follows. First, generate the electronic file of a paper certificate accompanying other related data into the database, meanwhile; calculate the electronic file for its hash value. Finally, store the hash value into the block in the chain system. In this research, the authors have identified the security themes required for document verification in the blockchain. This research also identifies the gaps and loopholes in the current blockchain-based educational certificate verification. The system will create a related QR-code and inquiry string code to affix to

the paper certificate. It will provide the demand unit to verify the authenticity of the paper certificate through mobile phone scanning or website inquiries.

### 3. Existing System

Existing system based on consortium block chain technology. They used a secret sharing scheme. It can validate the digital certificate to protect the user's information and also the property of the user. The digital certificate revocation lists have collaborated among the CA. The trust and reliable CRL (Certificate Revocation List) are more compared with the traditional system. If the user wants to verify the certificate, they only need to decrypt the signature with the public key. And the result will be compared with the hash operation of the original message. If the result is consistent, it proved that the digital certificate not tampered. But there is a false sense of security.

#### Disadvantage of Existing System:

1. Security is less.

### 4. PROPOSED SYSTEM

In this proposed system the academic, sports certificates are converted into digital certificates using sampling and quantization. Then the certificates are added with the hash values generated for the digital certificate and store it into the blocks. The chaotic algorithm used for generating the hash value. Each block consists of the hash value, timestamp, and hash value of the previous block. These blocks are linked together in the form of blockchain. The institution registers the student details in our interface

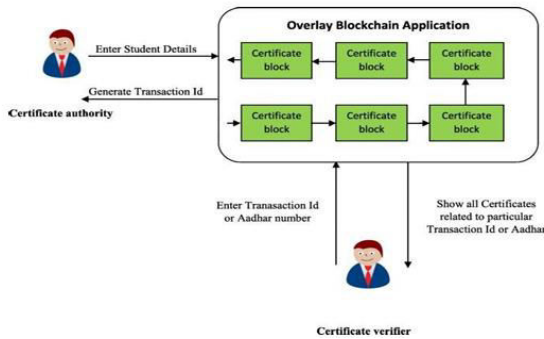
(application) by providing details like name, email id and these are stored in the database. The certificate issued by the registrar is stored in the application and they form a blockchain. The employer or verifier can validate the certificate by entering the student details. By using the un-modifiable property of blockchain provide more security. Confidentiality is transparent with each transaction visible to all the peers. Our application runs in offline mode. The certificate is validated rapidly. Provide accurate and reliable information.

**Advantages:**

1. Security is more.

**5. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE**

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**6. IMPLEMENTATION**

**Modules:**

- 1) Save Certificate with Digital Signature
- 2) Verify Certificate

**Modules Description**

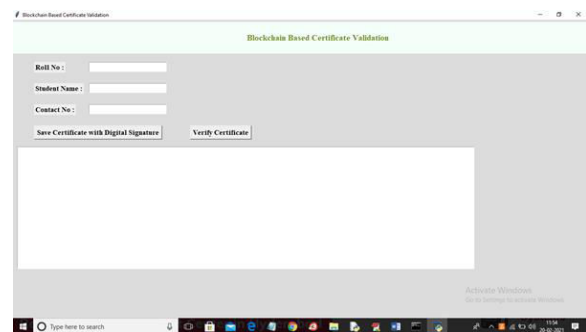
**Save Certificate with Digital Signature:** Using this module admin user can upload student details and student academic certificate and then application convert certificate into digital

signature and then signature and other student details will be saved in Blockchain database.

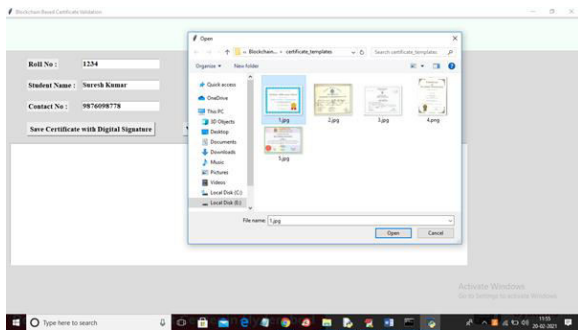
**Verify Certificate:** In this module verifier or companies or admin will take certificate from student and then upload to application and then application will convert certificate into digital signature and this digital signature will get checked/verified at Blockchain database and if matched found then Blockchain will retrieve all student details and display to verifier and if match not found then this certificate will be consider as fake or forge.

**7. SCREENSHOTS**

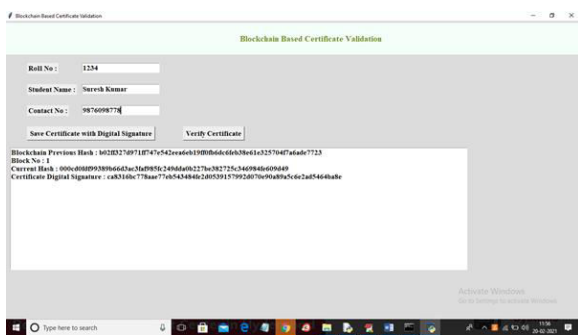
To run code double click on 'run.bat' file to get below screen



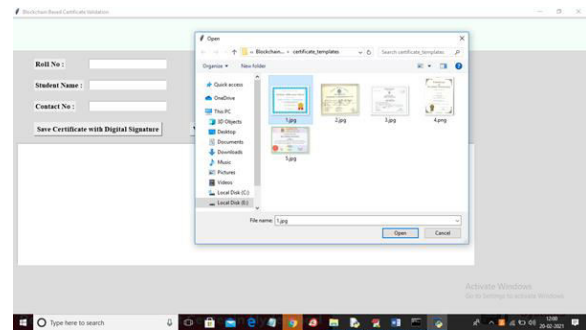
In above screen enter student details and then click on 'Save Certificate with Digital Signature' button to convert certificate into digital signature and then saved in Blockchain



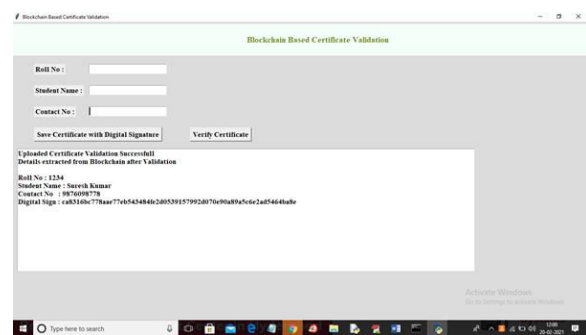
In above screen entered some student details and then click on ‘Save Certificate with Digital Signature’ button and then selecting and uploading ‘1.jpg’ file and then click on ‘Open’ button to get below screen



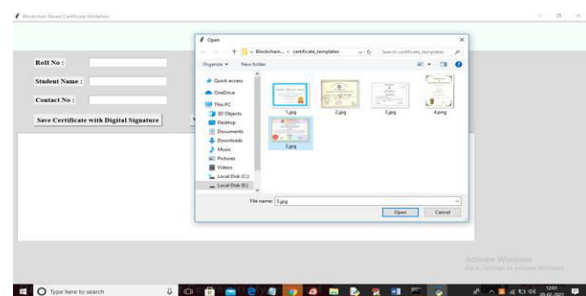
In above screen we can see Blockchain generated previous hash with block no 1 and its current hash and then keep on generating new blocks with each certificate upload and while running you can see that previous hash of new record will get matched with current hash of old record and this matched hash code proof that Blockchain verify old and new hash code before storing new block to confirm data is not altered. So above details stored at Blockchain and now verifier can Click on ‘Verify Certificate’ button and upload same or other images to get below result



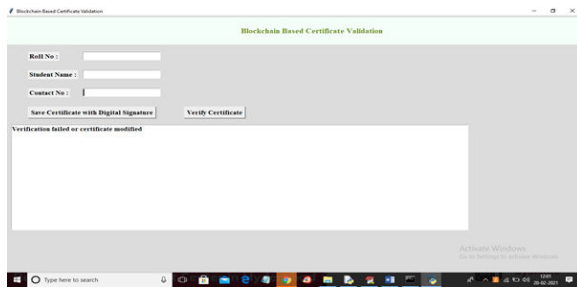
In above screen selecting and uploading ‘1.jpg’ file and then click on ‘Open’ button to get below result



In above screen we uploaded same and correct image so application matched digital signature and then retrieve details from Blockchain and now try with some other image



In above screen selecting and uploading ‘5.jpg’ file and then click on ‘Open’ button to get below result



In above screen verification got failed as uploaded certificate not matched with stored certificates in Blockchain.

Similarly you can upload any other certificate and convert them to digital signature

## 8. CONCLUSION

Data security is one of the major features of blockchain technology. Blockchain is a large and open-access online ledger in which each node saves and verifies the same data. Using the proposed blockchain-based system reduces the likelihood of certificate forgery. The process of certificate application and automated certificate granting are open and transparent in the system. Companies or organizations can thus inquire for information on any certificate from the system. In conclusion, the system assures information accuracy and security.

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