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Computational Cryptography for Blockchain

Message from the Guest Editor

In the era of Web 3.0 and decentralized ecosystems, cryptographic techniques and blockchain architectures have become foundational pillars for digital trust. From zero-knowledge proofs enabling privacy-preserving transactions to post-quantum cryptographic algorithms safeguarding against future threats, applied cryptography is undergoing unprecedented innovation. Concurrently, blockchain technology has evolved beyond cryptocurrencies, finding applications in supply chain provenance, decentralized identity management, and programmable economies through smart contracts. Contemporary cryptographic implementations demonstrate remarkable resilience against classical computing threats yet struggle with emerging attack vectors. Current blockchain implementations suffer from inherent trade-offs between decentralization, security, and scalability, evidenced by the trilemma plaguing major networks like Ethereum and Bitcoin. Cross-chain interoperability lacks unified frameworks, often resorting to insecure bridge protocols or centralized custodians, and cross-chain communication remains ad hoc, with no universally adopted standards for atomic swaps or oracle security.

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