

## Examination of the Block Chain for Secured EHR Sharing in Mobile Cloud-Based E-Health Systems

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### ABSTRACT

Electronic health records (EHRs) are increasingly being stored in mobile cloud environments, which merge mobile technology with cloud computing to make it easier for patients and healthcare professionals to share medical data. With the help of this cutting-edge paradigm, healthcare services may be provided at minimal operational costs with a great degree of flexibility. This new paradigm does, however, bring up issues with network security and data privacy for e-health systems. It is a difficult problem to properly exchange EHRs across mobile users while ensuring high security levels in the mobile cloud. Using a mobile cloud platform and the decentralized interplanetary file system (IPFS), we provide a unique EHRs sharing structure in this study. In particular, we provide a reliable access control system utilizing smart contracts to accomplish secure EHRs sharing among different patients and medical providers. We present a prototype implementation using Ethereum block chain in a real data sharing scenario on a mobile app with Amazon cloud computing. The empirical results show that our proposal provides an effective solution for reliable data exchanges on mobile clouds while preserving sensitive health information against potential threats. The system evaluation and security analysis also demonstrate the performance improvements in lightweight access control design, minimum network latency with high security and data privacy levels, compared to the existing data sharing models.

### EXISTING SYSTEM

Blockchain is a paradigm-shifting technology that has emerged over the past decade, which is based on peer-to-peer communication technology, network theory, and cryptography. However, there are still some limitations in the existing blockchain framework that prevents its widespread adoption in the commercial world. One important limitation is the storage requirement, wherein each blockchain node has to store a copy of the distributed ledger. Thus, as the number of transactions increases, this storage requirement grows quadratically, eventually limiting the scalability of a blockchain system.

Disadvantages of Existing System:

1. More security issues.

### PROPOSED SYSTEM

In this paper, instead of saving entire transaction of blocks we are saving only one block. To provide security to block author converting that block into SHAMIR share and then all SHAMIR share will be distributed between all available nodes. While reconstruction application will obtain all shares from nodes and then apply SHAMIR SECRET to recover original block data. If any share missed or return incorrect value then reconstruction will be failed. SHAMIR secret will work based on random polynomial and prime number while generating secret polynomial will be applied on block data and while getting original value will perform reverse polynomial.

### SYSTEM MODEL

In this section, we present a system architecture and introduce the concept of data uploading and data sharing in our system. Further, design goals in this paper are also highlighted. FIGURE 1. The overview of blockchain based e-health system on mobile cloud. FIGURE 2. The data flow of the proposed mobile cloud blockchain system.

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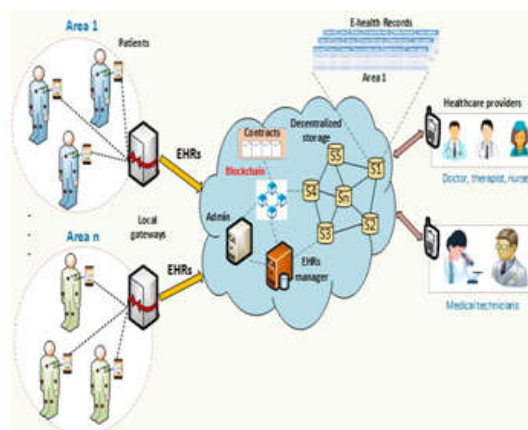
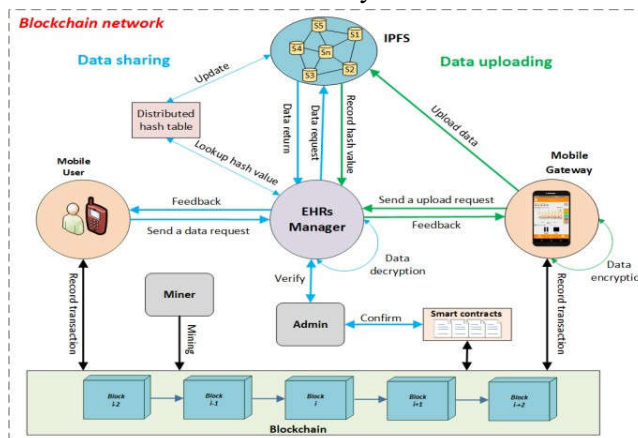


FIGURE 2. The data flow of the proposed mobile cloudblockchain system.

A. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE We consider an e-health scenario on a mobile cloud platform where patient records are gathered from a network of local gateways and stored on a public cloud for sharing with healthcare providers as shown in Fig. 1. E-health records may include personal information and medical history which are provided by patients. Patients have their own patient ID PID and are classified based on their current living area with an area ID AID. In this model, we assume that the wearable sensor network is private and managed by its local user (patient). We also assume that EHRs can be collected from wearable body sensors by a mobile application integrated in patients' smartphone. Therefore, the address of a patient on blockchain can be formulated as  $Addr = \{AID, PID\}$ . Because it is infeasible to store medical data on blockchain, we suggest to only keep addresses of patients on blockchain, while large medical records are stored on decentralized cloud storage. Further, to manage medical records, a cloud EHRs manager ME is proposed. Thus, in order to retrieve a certain health record on cloud, a participating entity needs to know patient addresses which are visible on the blockchain network. The data flow of the proposed mobile cloud blockchain system is also shown in Fig. 2.

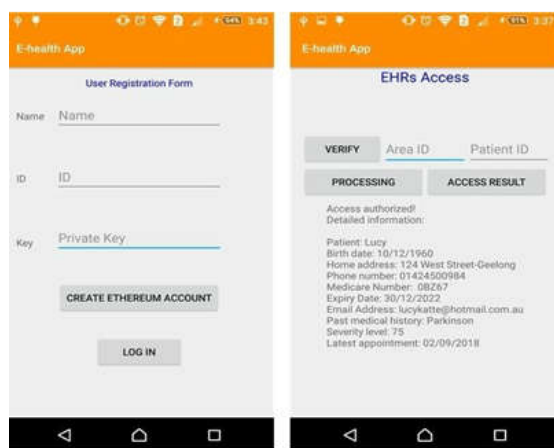
EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

To implement our EHRs sharing framework, we first deployed a private Ethereum blockchain on AWS as illustrated in Fig. 11. Data access and transactions are recorded and shown on the web interface for monitoring. Based on blockchain settings, we deployed smart contracts, IPFS storage, established network entities and

connected with mobile applications to build our e-health framework. With these settings, we operated the EHRs sharing system and evaluated the efficiency of our design through two main performance metrics: access control and network overheads.

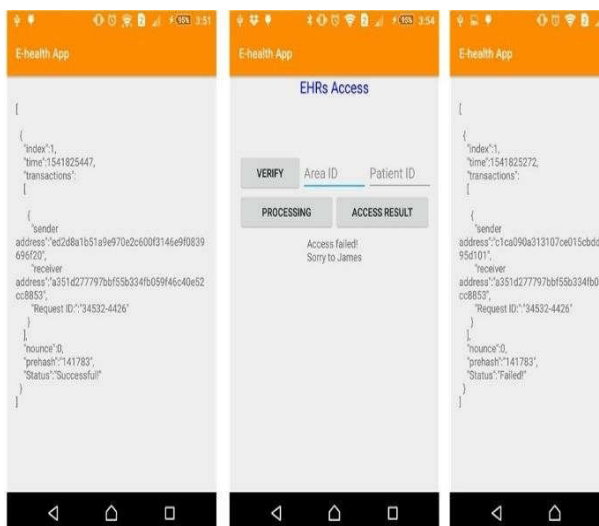
**ACCESS CONTROL PERFORMANCE**

We present two use cases with authorized and unauthorized access to evaluate the performance of our EHRs sharing model with a designed access control (Fig. 12). The objective of our framework is to allow authorized entities (such as healthcare providers) to retrieve effectively EHRs on cloud, while being able to prevent unauthorized access to our EHRs resources. A mobile user such as a doctor, who wants to access EHRs of his patient on cloud, can use our mobile application with a mobile user interface to create an Ethereum account and register user information for interacting with the blockchain (Fig. 12(a)). After his request is verified by the cloud EHRs manager, he now starts to make a transaction to access EHRs by providing the address of his patient



(a)

(b)



(c)

(d)

(e)

Advantages of Proposed System:

1. This can effectively work.
2. Security is more.

## REQUIREMENT SPECIFICATION

Functional Requirements

- Graphical User interface with the User. Software Requirements

For developing the application the following are the Software Requirements:

1. Python
2. Django
3. Mysql
4. Wampserver(Mysql)

Operating Systems supported

1. Windows 7
2. Windows XP
3. Windows 8/10/11

Technologies and Languages used to Develop

1. Python

Debugger and Emulator

- Any Browser (Particularly Chrome)

## CONCLUSION

This paper proposes a novel EHRs sharing scheme enabled by mobile cloud computing and blockchain. We identify critical challenges of current EHRs sharing systems and propose efficient solutions to address these issues through a real prototype implementation. In this work, our focus is on designing a trustworthy access control mechanism based on a single smart contract to manage user access for ensuring efficient and secure EHRs sharing. To investigate the performance of the proposed approach, we deploy an Ethereum blockchain on the Amazon cloud, where medical entities can interact with the EHRs sharing system via a developed mobile Android application. We also integrate the peer-to-peer IPFS storage system with blockchain to achieve a decentralized data storage and data sharing. The implementation results show that our framework can allow medical users to share medical data over mobile cloud environments in a reliable and quick manner, in comparison to conventional schemes. In particular, our access control can identify and prevent effectively unauthorized access to the e-health system, aiming for achieving a desired level of patient privacy and network security. We also provide security analysis and extensive evaluations on various technical aspects of the proposed system, showing advantages of our proposal over existing solutions. Based on the merits of our model, we believe that our blockchain-enabled solution is a step towards efficient management of e-health records on mobile clouds, which is promising in many healthcare applications.

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