



# Blockchain-based Decentralized Distribution Management in E-Journals

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## Abstract

*The application of blockchain in the context of E-Journal distribution to journalists is aimed at making the management paper adequately distributed and not misused. The security system in the distribution or management paper process of an open journal system is currently considered to be very lacking because one can duplicate the journal in an open journal system easily. Furthermore, it can be transferred to anyone who is not responsible. The security system in the distribution of an open journal system and the management of the management paper process is currently considered to be very lacking because one can duplicate the journal in an open journal system easily. Furthermore, it can be transferred to anyone who is not responsible. With the implementation of this blockchain technology, there are 3 (three) benefits, namely (1) The distribution of E-Journal in the Open Journal System is more targeted, and there are no errors. (2) The reputation of the Open Journal System becomes better with a sense of trust. This research will be implemented in an E-Journal in an Open Journal System using blockchain technology. (3) The management paper processing in the open journal system runs according to the procedure so that in the management process the distribution of soft copies and hard copies of the journal is protected from hacker threats, and this blockchain is used to guarantee its security.*

**Keywords:** Management, Blockchain, Distribution, E-Journal

## 1. Introduction

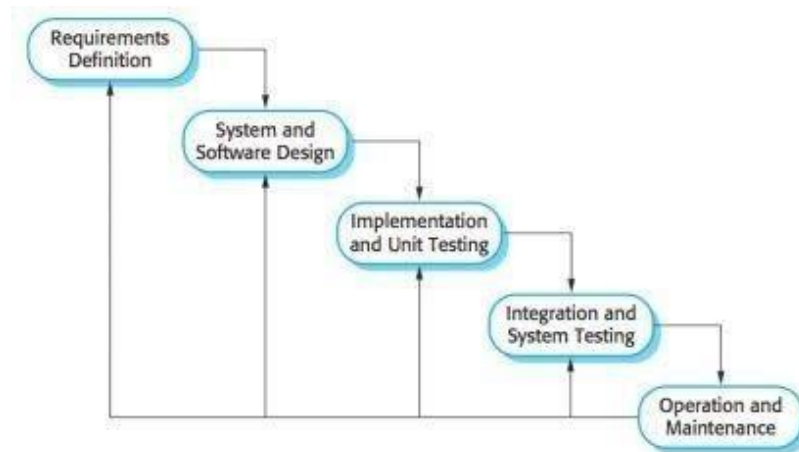
As we now know, Indonesia has entered the era of revolution 4.0, which caused changes in all fields [1]. Presentation of information must be more up-to-date and have a breakthrough in sophisticated information technology [2]. Nowadays getting information is not a difficult thing that relies on ancient tools, but the existence of a computer is a tool that makes it very easy to develop

systems that are still considered not up to date [3]. At this time, the journal publishing system and management paper process have also been done online, which can be accessed by anyone and anywhere called E-Journal [4] [5] [6]. So that many people can pour their scientific work in the hope that their scientific work can be published and become teaching material for others who are trying to do scientific work as well.

Furthermore, people can quickly get a journal at the journal publisher's place by downloading or other means, so obviously the security of the scientific work that we publish is questionable about its safety. Retrieve data easily, duplicate it, change data. So the application of blockchain technology as a system to maintain security in the distribution of electronic journals and paper management processes [7] [8]. Distribution in the form of softcopy and hardcopy, an e-journal is one thing that makes sense, so security must be guaranteed as well [9] [10]. Furthermore, in the management paper process also requires security in every process, it is essential to have blockchain technology as a supporter of security in the management paper itself.

## 2. Research Method

In this study, using the waterfall method by having 7 (seven) sequential stages and if needed, several parts have feedback loops [11] [12]. And the following stages in the Waterfall Method [13]:



**Figure 1. Sommerville Version Waterfall Method**

### 1. Analysis of requirements and definitions

Analyzing the problems that exist in the distribution process of E-Journal and the process of circulation management paper to make it easier for users and E-security Journal can be maintained [14].

### 2. System design and design software

The e-journal embedded by the blockchain uses an encryption code to download documents that are only given access by the admin, so the management paper runs according to the flow. This design involves identifying and describing the basic system abstractions of software and their relationships [15].

### 3. Unit implementation and testing

At this stage, the blockchain design is realized by a series of programs and testing is also carried out in the form of verification that the system meets its specifications before entering the management paper process [16].

### 4. System integration and testing

Unit programs or shared programs are tested as complete systems to ensure that they meet the user's needs in downloading E-Journal files or not. After testing, the system can be implemented and used by the user or admin in downloading the E-Journal or the management paper process [17].

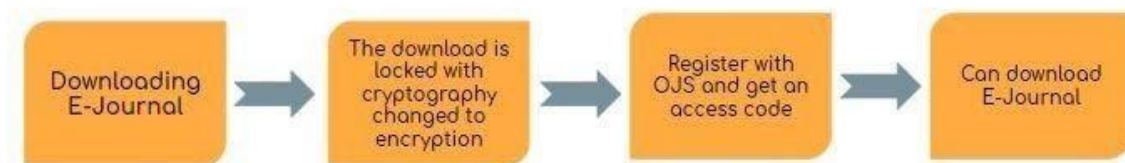
5. Operation and maintenance

Care has taken in its application and all forms of development of this blockchain technology in the E-Journal to enhance the new system's service requirements to support the security of the E-Journal or the management paper process [18].

### 3. Results and Analysis

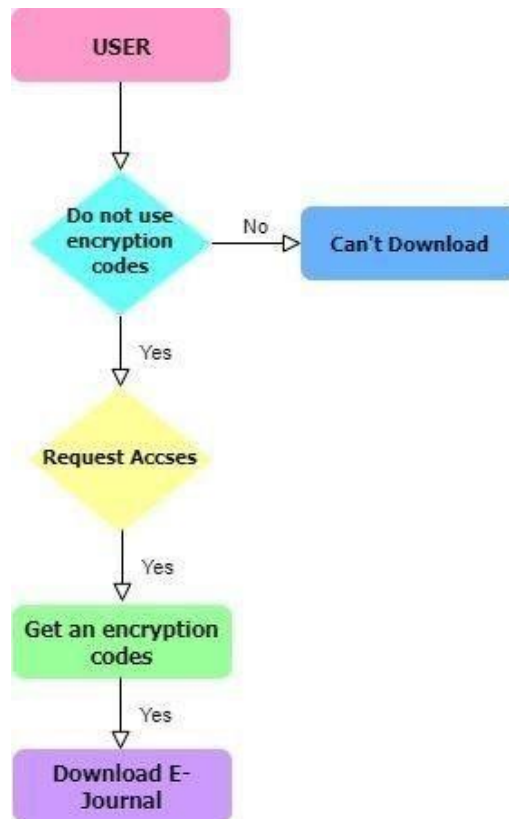
Distribution systems are integrated monopoly systems and are generally given protection in each of these processes [19]. At present, the distribution in this E-Journal is very reasonable [20]. Because of the need to thirst for knowledge in this modern era, so as not to miss and be able to create the latest technological innovations. A change is needed in various fields such as the form of information presentation, so that information can be useful and quickly understood [21]. However, in the development of these developments there are positive and negative sides of a technology, so this change is called the disruptive era [22].

Furthermore, the problems that have been explained earlier distribution in this journal are positive things, but the basic negative things that follow [23]. Blockchain technology has evolved and not only deals with finance but has been applied in everyday life [24] [25]. The emerging blockchain has many useful features, such as freedom of trust, transparency, pseudonym, democracy, automation, decentralization, and security [26]. The concept of the blockchain itself is that the sealing of the block helps in making the blockchain by the security requirements of the E-Journal distribution or the paper management process is running [27].



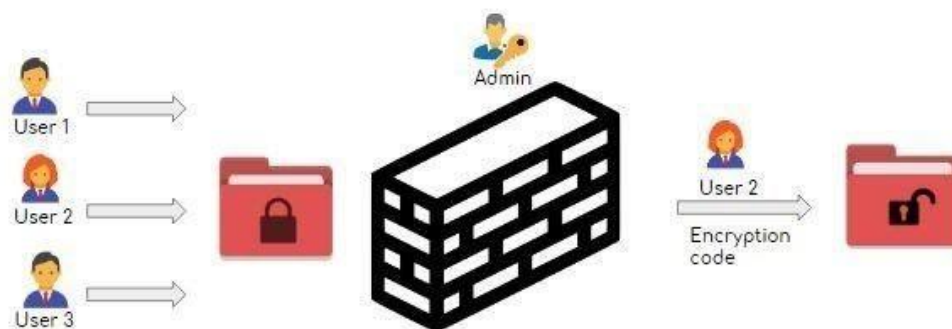
**Figure 2. Blockchain-based workflow**

1. Downloading E-Journal: If someone wants to see, save and distribute E-Journal, it cannot be downloaded easily and in the process of management paper flow also involves people who have been given access [28] [29] .
2. The download is locked with cryptography converted to encryption: If someone wants to download a file or violate the procedures in management paper then the user must be given an encryption code to send to who will be given access [30] [31].
3. Register with OJS and get an access code: After registering, the downloader gets an access code to enter OJS, so you can download the journal and process the desired management paper flow [32] [33].
4. Can download E-Journal: After getting access, customers can download journals and carry out management paper processing activities as desired [34] [35].



**Figure 3. Flowchart Blockchain E-Journal**

From Figure 3 (three) above, it can be seen that the section depicted with a Flowchart diagram can be accessed by users and administrators who are in charge of processing paper management. Users can access or download E-Journal files after accessing the admin and getting the encryption code.



**Figure 4. The Encryption Code Process**

Figure 4 (four) above, it can be seen how the encryption code can fortify users who do not have E-Journal access and misuse the flow of management paper that is not by procedures. So E-Journal files can be protected and cannot be duplicated.

#### 4. Conclusion

The research that authors can take is described in 3 (three) conclusions as follows:

1. E-journal management with decentralized Blockchain technology can protect the manager's workflow online.
2. Blockchain technology can be implemented in an open journal system that is useful for preventing hackers who can download and change the paper management process without permission.
3. Management with a decentralized Blockchain can be a safe distribution tool, thereby increasing the reputation of the open journal system and simplifying management paper processing flow.

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