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# Blockchain (BlCh)

**In the news**

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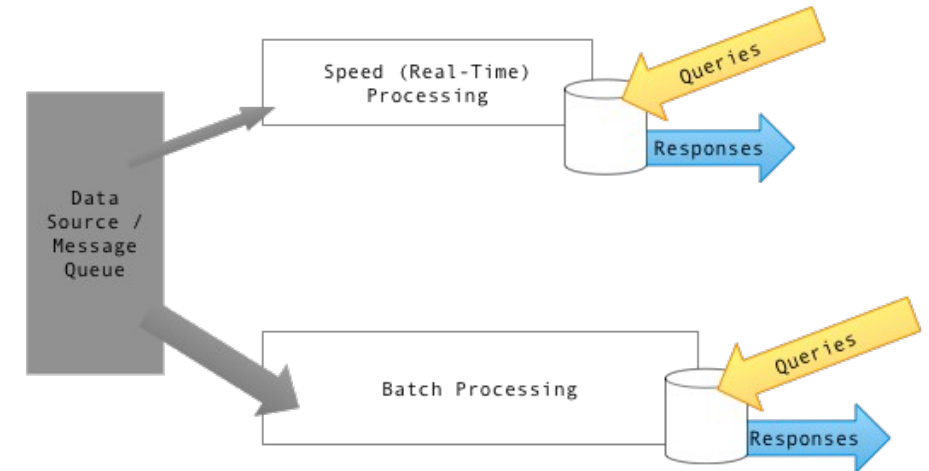
# Distributed Systems & Blockchain in the News

- 30.09.2021: Swiss Post launches Switzerland's first crypto stamp [link]
  - Mention "blockchain" in the PR
  - Using **polygon** - connection Ethereum blockchains – scaling solution for Ethereum, sidechain (**MATIC**)
- 17.11.2021: Bitcoin Crowd Appears High on 'Hopium' as 'Buy The Dip' Trends [link]
  - And it goes down again... [coinmarketcap]
- 15.11.2021: Taproot, Bitcoin's Long-Anticipated Upgrade, Has Activated [link]
  - 54% signaling taproot approve [link]
  - Only miner with taproot can mine blocks, others can "validate"
  - Wallets need to add support as well
  - Medium TX ~**13 USD**
- Example of animated technical papers
  - <https://textframe.app/examples/bitcoin>
  - <https://bitcoin.org/bitcoin.pdf>

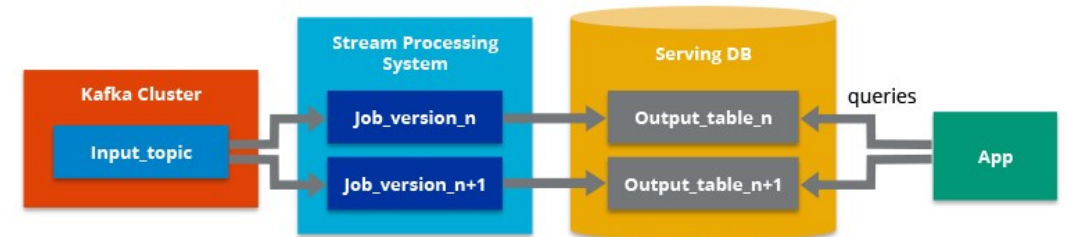
Rank	Symbol	Price	24h %	7d %	Volume	Market Cap	Circulating Supply	Chart
1	Bitcoin BTC	\$59,063.39	-2.55%	+11.34%	\$1,116,397,399,511	\$43,122,924,168 729,105 BTC	18,875,606 BTC	
2	Ethereum ETH	\$4,140.21	-3.06%	+12.04%	\$490,037,553,044	\$25,265,997,172 6,103,353 ETH	118,375,384 ETH	
3	Binance Coin BNB	\$559.39	-7.53%	+13.35%	\$93,247,017,214	\$3,252,056,118 5,817,309 BNB	166,801,148 BNB	

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- 22.10.2021: Processing billions of events in real time at Twitter [\[link\]](#)
  - Technology mix: Hadoop, Vertica, Manhattan distributed databases, Kafka, Twitter Eventbus, GCS, BigQuery, and PubSub
  - Improve Ads
  - Changing from **Lambda architecture** to Kappa
    - Lambda: batch and stream-processing, challenges: **complexity**
  - **Kappa**: perform both real-time and batch processing with a single stack
    - Less complexity, stream processing for real-time and historic data
    - **Alternative approach**



[https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Diagram\\_of\\_Lambda\\_Architecture\\_\(generic\).png](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Diagram_of_Lambda_Architecture_(generic).png)



<https://hazelcast.com/glossary/kappa-architecture/>