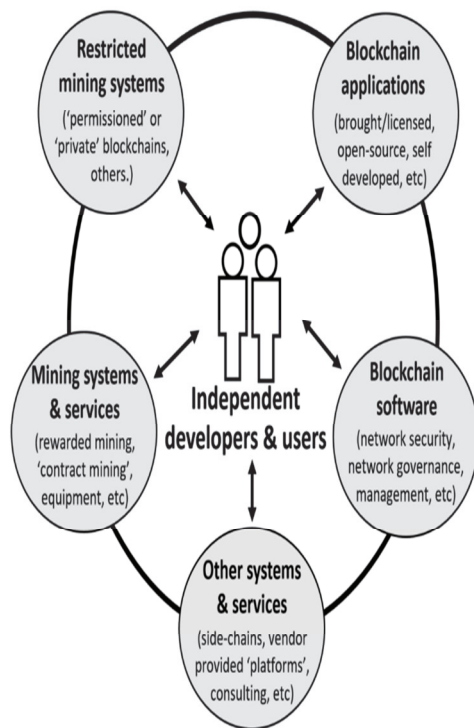


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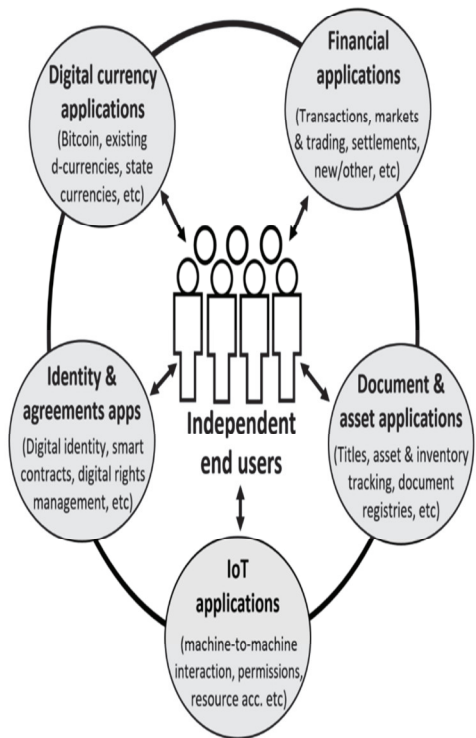
ELEUTHEROS AND USER INDEPENDENCE

The general use-case network deployment described in the previous section opens the gates to a more intricate issue, and that is user independence. In fact, empower users with absolute independence is the motivation to design Eleutherus/GP, but before going further, let us understand the meaning of user independence. In this paper, we use this term for both ‘technology user independence’ and ‘end-user independence’. The difference between the two is illustrated below.

Technology user independence



End-user independence



Although the blockchain technology is known for its user dependence and the lack of flexibility to make choices at different levels, this isn't the flaw of the blockchain technology. Instead, it is largely due to the high amount of reliance placed on "tall-and-thin" blockchain protocols rather than "narrow" networking protocols.

For example, at present, you cannot develop "a blockchain application" in anything like the same sense you can develop "an Internet-based