

Chain of Things: A Course on Blockchain & IoT

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About the Department

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Who can Attend

- Executives, engineers, and researchers from allied fields in Computer Science and Engineering, as well as professionals from service sectors, government organizations, and R&D labs.
- Students at all levels (BTech, MSc, MTech, PhD) and faculty from esteemed academic and technical institutions.

Registration Fee

INR 1000	Students (M.Sc/ M.tech Students/ Ph.D. Scholars/ Postdocs)
INR 5000	Academic Institutions (First 25 participants will get 50% discounts in registration fees)
INR 3000	Industry/ Research Organizations
US \$500	Participants from abroad

The fee includes food, instructional materials, computer use, and lab equipment charges.

Accommodation is available for an additional cost.

Course Instructor



Prof. Sushmita Ruj, a Senior Lecturer at UNSW Sydney's School of Computer Science and Engineering and part of the IFCYBER, specializes applied in cryptography, blockchains, post-quantum cryptography, and privacy technologies. She has held roles at IIT Indore, ISI, and CSIRO Data61, earning prestigious grants like the Samsung GRO and IBM Research Grant. A Senior Member of IEEE and ACM, she is an Associate Editor for IEEE Transactions on Information Forensics and Security.

Course Coordinator



Dr. Sujata Pal, an Associate Professor at IIT Ropar's CSE Department, earned her Ph.D. from IIT Kharagpur as a TCS Scholar. She was a recipient of the Schlumberger Faculty for the Future Fellowship and a Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Waterloo, Canada. Her research interests are IoT, blockchain, WBANs, SDNs, and mobile networks. Her research was widely published in top tier journals and conferences. She is a Senior Member of IEEE and ACM.

Course Overview

Blockchain technology, initially designed to secure and verify cryptocurrency transactions, has grown to be applicable in numerous fields. In the realm of the Internet of Things (IoT), the integration of blockchain and IoT offers a potent solution to address security, privacy, and data integrity concerns. This overview delves into the key concepts and benefits of integrating blockchain with IoT.

Course participants will learn these topics through lectures and hands-on experiments. Building in confidence and capability amongst the participants in the application of integrations of blockchain and IoT technologies.



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- Lecture 1 : Introduction to Blockchain Technology
- Lecture 2 : Fundamentals of IoT
- Tutorial/Lab 1

Day 2

- Lecture 3 : Use of Blockchains in Internet of Things
- Lecture 4 : Consensus protocols for Blockchain
- Tutorial/Lab 2

Day 3

- Lecture 5 : Scalable Blockchain-based Access Management for IoT
- Lecture 6 : Decentralised Oracles
- Tutorial/Lab 3

Day 4

- Lecture 7 : Different types of attacks in Blockchain
- Lecture 8 : Layer-2 Protocols for scaling blockchains for IoT applications
- Tutorial/Lab 4

Day 5

- Lecture 9 : Blockchain-based solutions for enhancing Security of Smart Home IoT networks
- Lecture 10 : Secure Mutual Authentication for Smart Homes using Blockchains
- Tutorial/Lab 5

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