



CryptPad

CryptPad : a zero knowledge
collaboration platform

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Who am I ?

- Ludovic Dubost, President of XWiki SAS
- Creator of XWiki - Enterprise Wiki used by 7000 companies including big ones (Amazon, Lenovo)
- 17 years of Open Source
- 40 employees paid to contribute or help fund it
- XWiki SAS has launched CryptPad 6 years ago

Why encryption ?

- « There is no Cloud, just other people's computers »
- In the Cloud, data has more and more value and is leveraged by providers
- RGPD application is a joke
- Data are not secured properly

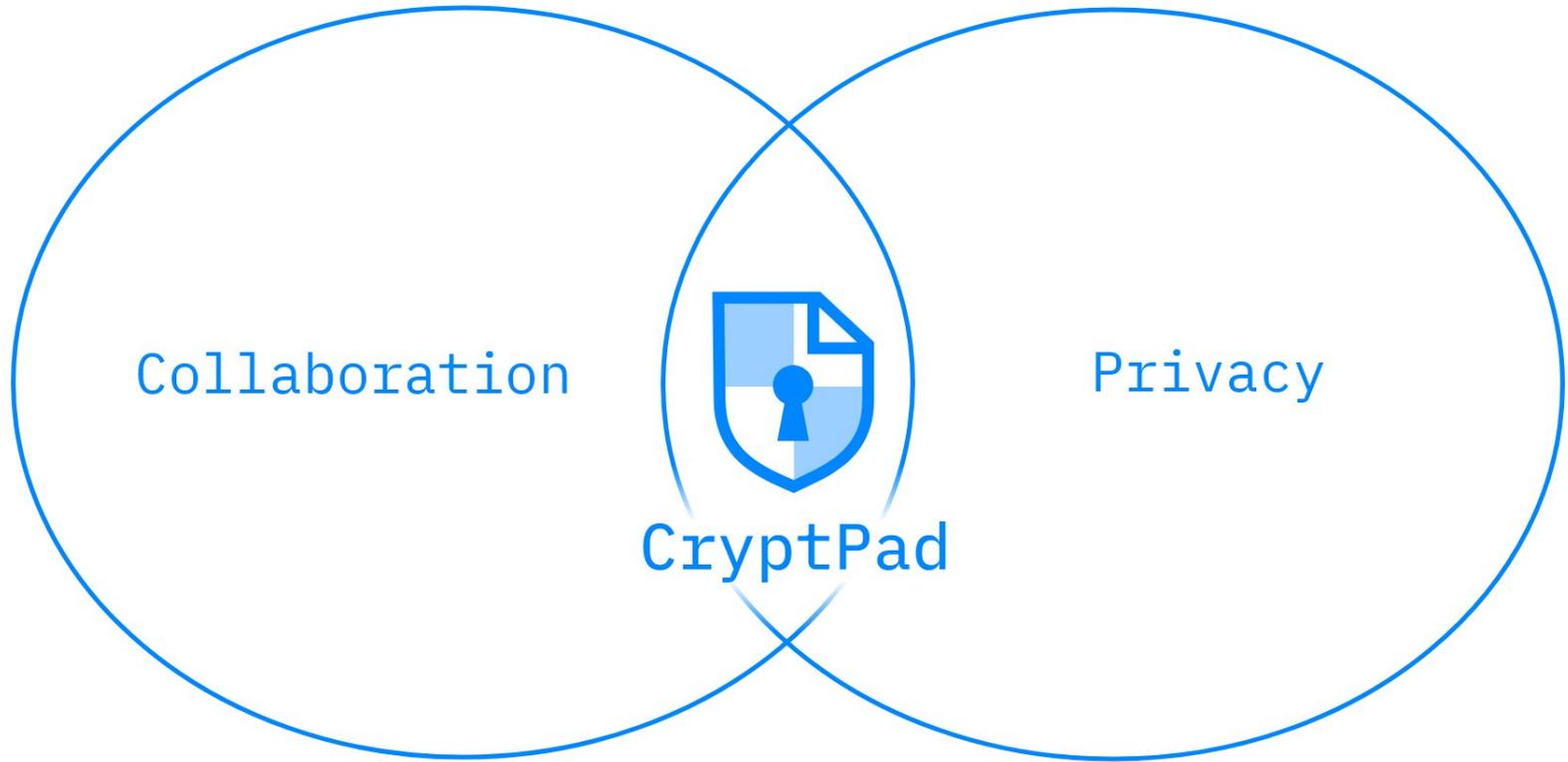
A new approach to securing web application -> CryptPad

Security before e2ee

- It's all about trust
 - Administrators can access everything
 - Situation has been widely accepted (let's sign contracts instead)
- Impossible to guarantee confidentiality of data in the Cloud
 - The manager of the Cloud service has access
 - Companies like it because they can leverage it for analytics and marketing

Encryption can change this

CryptPad - Key Principles



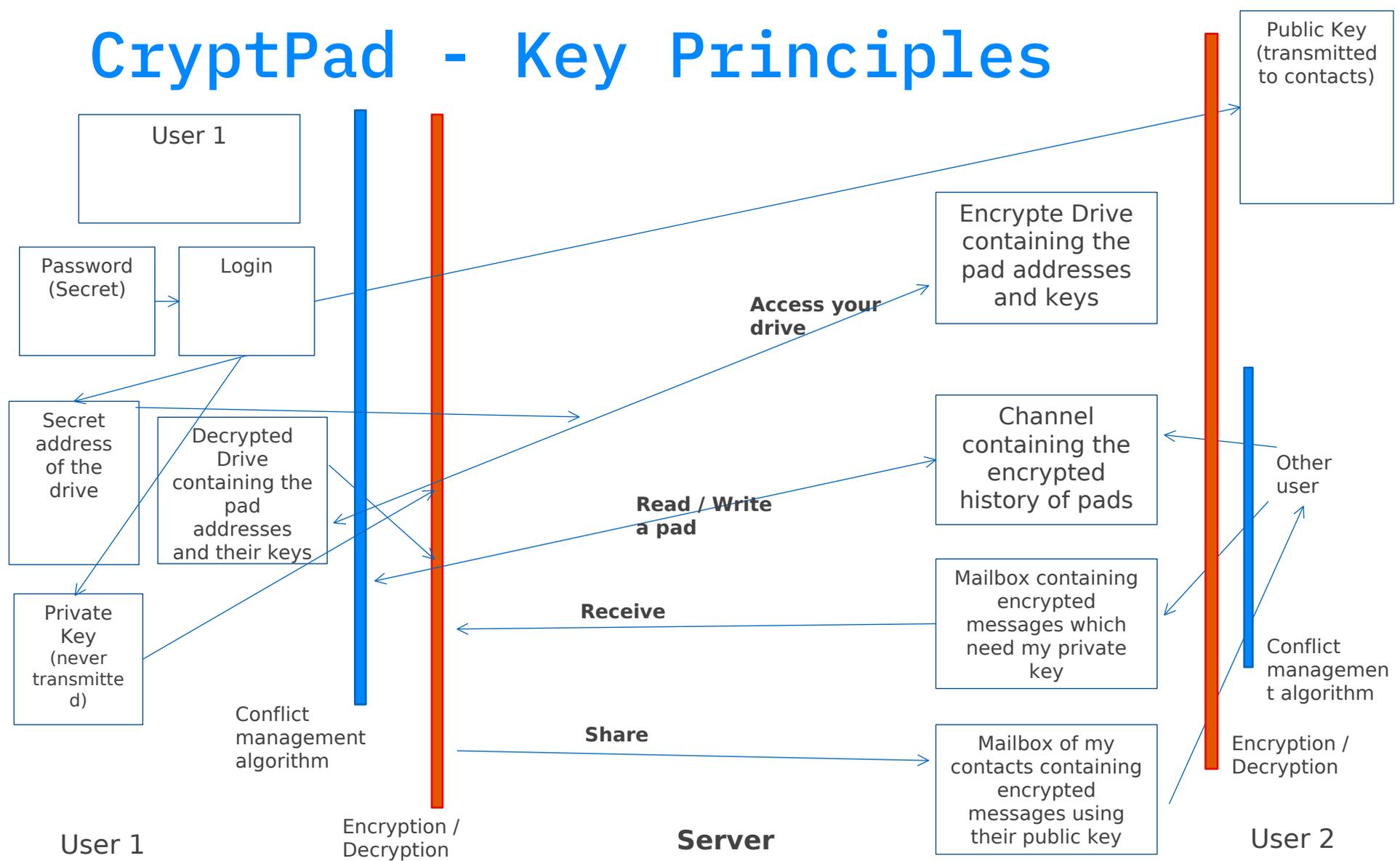
Yes, you can have both

CryptPad - Key Principles

- Encrypted Documents **which can be edited in realtime**
- **(Real)** end-to-end encryption
- Key Management with secure and private key sharing

**The manager of the server cannot read the data
and also not recover it**

CryptPad - Key Principles



With encryption

- ZeroTrust Security
- Self-hosting : High level of confidentiality towards your system administrators
- Cloud : reduce the trust level needed of your cloud provider
- The Client code still needs to be verified for integrity and security issues

CryptPad: fonctionnalités

- Many applications:
 - Pad Wysiwyg / HTML
 - Document (compatible with Word / OnlyOffice)
 - Sheet(compatible with Excel / OnlyOffice)
 - Presentation (compatible with Powerpoint / OnlyOffice)
 - Kanban
 - Code (Markdown)
 - Forms
 - Whiteboard
 - Calendar
- CryptDrive
- Sharing functions
- Teams

CryptPad: Demo



CryptPad

Collaboration suite
end-to-end encrypted and open-source



Sheet



Document



Presentation



Rich text



Kanban



Code



Form



Whiteboard



Markdown slides



CryptDrive



Files + New



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Documents

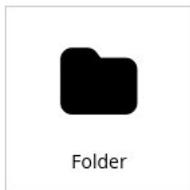
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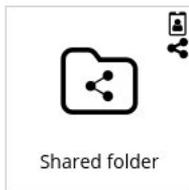
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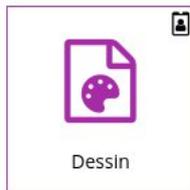
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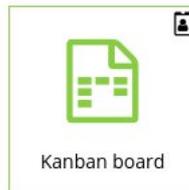
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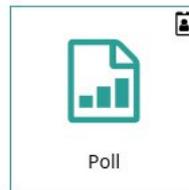
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Kanban board



Markdown



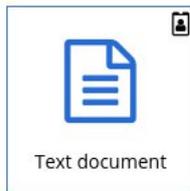
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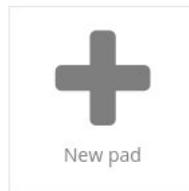
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Spreadsheet



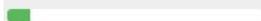
Text document



New pad

Storage:

0.09 GB used out of 1 GB





Contents

CryptPad Encryption Alg...

Lorem Ipsum

Dolor Sit Amet

Level 3 heading

CryptPad Encryption Algorithms

- Threat model is an "honest but curious" cloud server.
- 100% client side (in the browser using JavaScript).
- Key derivation from username and password using scrypt.
- Pads are encrypted using salsa20-poly1305 (tweetnacl.js) with randomly generated symmetric keys.
 - Technically what is encrypted is a sequence of patches, thus precluding known plaintext type attacks on changing cyphertext.
- Sharing a **pad** by **URL** facilitated by putting the pad key into the URL after the # mark (HTTP spec says this is never sent to the server).
- Changes to a pad are also signed using ed25519 and the signing public key is known to the server, thus allowing "read-only access".

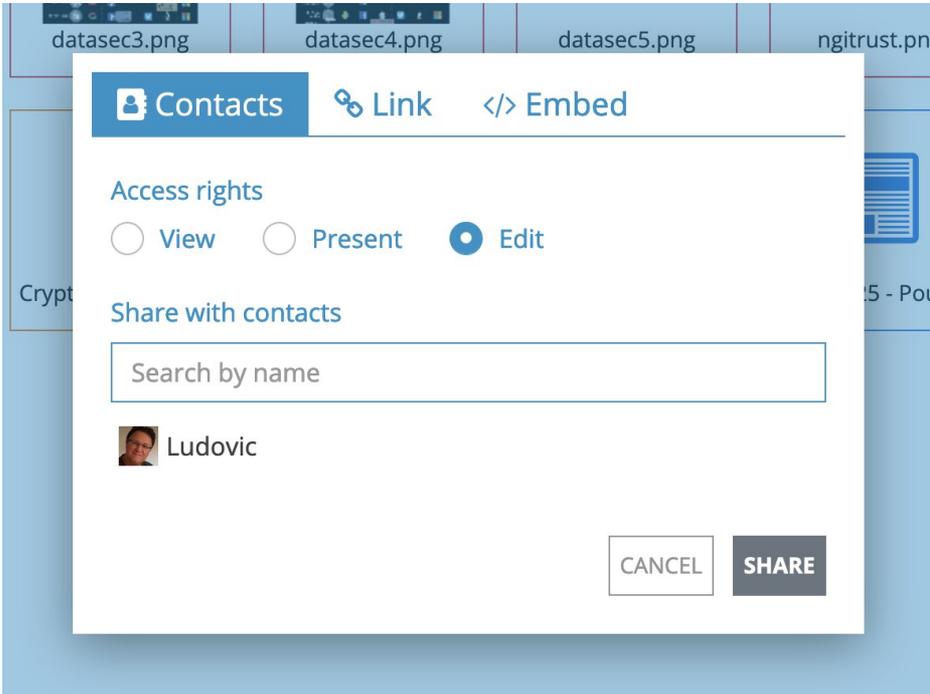


David
11/01/2021, 15:02:25
a document

billy
11/01/2021, 15:03:29
The link

David
11/01/2021, 15:03:37
ah ok thanks

Share



The screenshot shows a 'Share' dialog box with three tabs: 'Contacts', 'Link', and 'Embed'. The 'Contacts' tab is active. Under 'Access rights', the 'Edit' radio button is selected. The 'Share with contacts' section contains a search box labeled 'Search by name' and a list of contacts, with 'Ludovic' visible. At the bottom, there are 'CANCEL' and 'SHARE' buttons.

Contacts Link </> Embed

Access rights

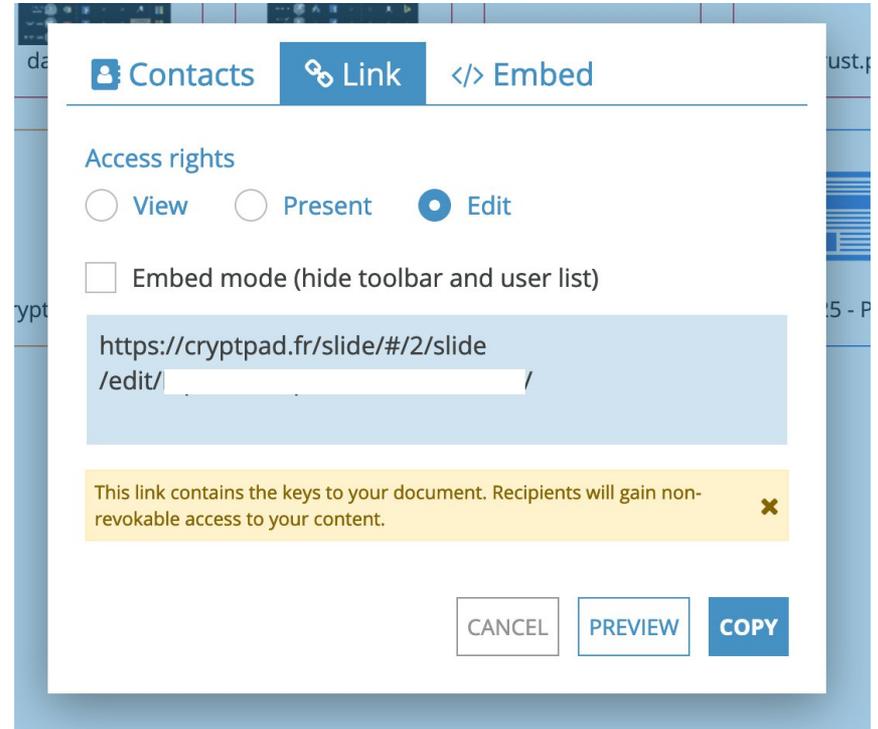
View Present Edit

Share with contacts

Search by name

 Ludovic

CANCEL SHARE



The screenshot shows the same 'Share' dialog box, but with the 'Link' tab selected. The 'Access rights' section remains the same. The 'Embed mode' checkbox is unchecked. A text box contains a URL: 'https://cryptpad.fr/slide/#/2/slide/edit/'. Below this is a yellow warning box: 'This link contains the keys to your document. Recipients will gain non-revokable access to your content.' At the bottom, there are 'CANCEL', 'PREVIEW', and 'COPY' buttons.

Contacts Link </> Embed

Access rights

View Present Edit

Embed mode (hide toolbar and user list)

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CANCEL PREVIEW COPY

Markdown Guide: Extensions 

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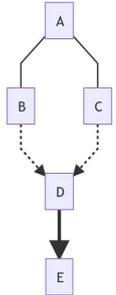
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75     another task     : 24d
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78 ### Sequence diagram
79 ```mermaid
80 sequenceDiagram
81 participant John
82 participant Alice
83 Alice->>John: Hello John, how are you?
84 John-->>Alice: Great!
85 ```
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87
88 ### Class diagram
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Mermaid

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Flowchart

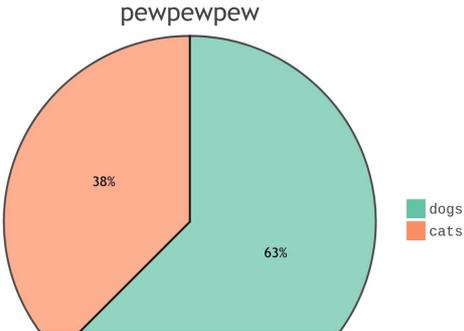


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graph TD
  A --- B & C --- D ==> E

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Pie charts



Category	Percentage
dogs	38%
cats	63%



Filter by tag

a tag branding feature



BUGS

- there are some
- they can be reported
- On Github
- or via support tickets
- or on Matrix chat

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Ideas

- Make static pages more readable
- Federation
- Calendar Support
 - Will come with a redesign of the Polls app and Forms.
- test
 - branding
 - feature

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To Do

- Slides theme
- Documentation
 - for users
 - for admins
 - for instance install
- Password policy
- Improve accessibility
 - aiming for AA across the platform
- Visual identity
 - de-clutter
 - lighten
 - simplify

branding

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In progress

- Share dialog
 - Lorem Ipsum with **markdown** support.
 - list
 - of
 - things
- a tag
- New toolbar UI
 - Make functionality easier to discover. Lighten the top-heavy design.
- copywriting
- writing some JavaScript

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Done

- Color By Author
- Rich Text Comme
- Usage bar
- Burn After Reading
 - Sharing a pad that sel
 - is opened by the recip
- Migrate Todo list board
- Profile page
- tooltip cleanup

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File Share Access ONLYOFFICE

File Home Insert Layout Formula Data Pivot Table Collaboration View

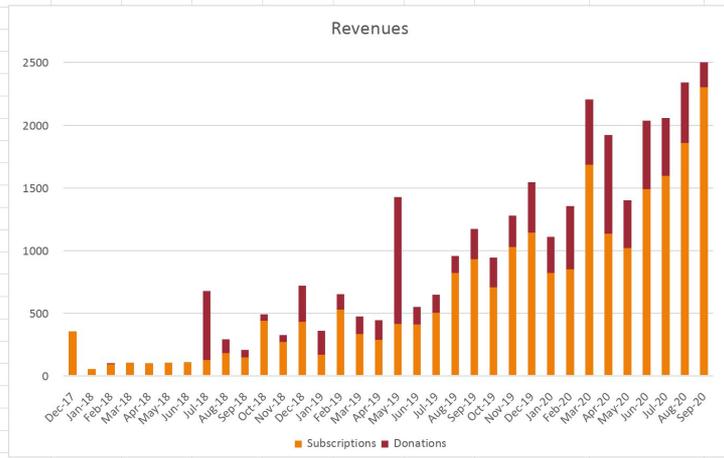
Arial 10 Bold Italic Underline Text Color Background Color

General Font Color Background Color

Normal Neutral Bad Good Input Output Calculation

G108 =SUM('CryptPad Revenues Summary'!F27:F38)

Period	Refunds (Quaderno Credit Notes)	Stripe Fees	Quaderno Fees	Total	Total Revenue	Last 12 month
Dec-17		12.22	218	125	355	
Jan-18		3.12	27	25	55	
Feb-18		4.32	27	68	100	
Mar-18		5.85	27	72	105	
Apr-18		4.98	27	474	506	
May-18		5.92	27	72	105	
Jun-18		5.92	27	77	110	
Jul-18		19.97	27	629	676	
Aug-18		17.2	27	246	290	
Sep-18		13.36	27	164	205	
Oct-18		23.38	27	441	492	
Nov-18		14.96	27	283	325	3324
Dec-18		44.14	27	649	720	3689
Jan-19	49	20.11	27	263	311	3944
Feb-19		30.85	27	593	651	4495
Mar-19		27.77	27	419	474	4865
Apr-19		22.4	27	394	444	4802
May-19	6	62.5	27	1330	1420	6117
Jun-19		31	27	493	551	6558
Jul-19	25	32.91	27	564	624	6506
Aug-19	27	48.58	27	853	929	7144
Sep-19	6	61.18	27	1077	1165	8105
Oct-19		47.55	27	868	942	8555
Nov-19	110	60.42	27	1080	1168	9398
Dec-19		81.62	27	1436	1545	10224
Jan-20		62.82	27	1020	1110	11023
Feb-20		82.19	27	1245	1354	11726
Mar-20		105.2	27	2076	2209	13461
Apr-20		115.61	27	1782	1925	14942
May-20		80.1	27	1296	1403	14925
Jun-20		114.68	27	1895	2037	16411
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Aug-20	266	117.0	27	1032	2071	18990



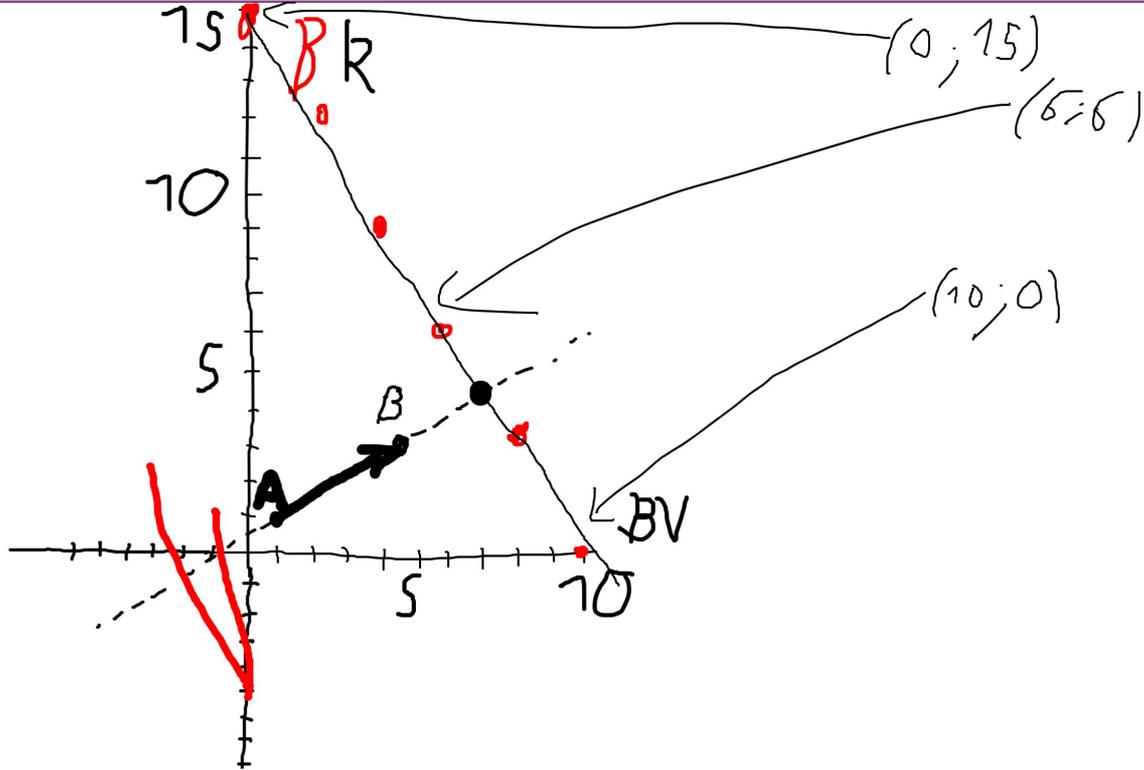
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Borders Style
Color: Black

Select borders you want to change applying style chosen above

Text Orientation
Angle: 0°

Text Control
 Wrap text
 Shrink to fit



CLEAR [Drawing Tools]

Width: 20px

Opacity: 100%

[Color Selection Tools]

CryptPad: recent work

- InterOffice (better Import/Exports using WebAssembly) + Presentation and Documents based on OnlyOffice (only for subscribers or on self-hosting) & OnlyOffice 6.4.2
- Bug Bounty European Community (security fixes)
- Instances Directory (<https://cryptpad.org/instances/>) with security checks
- CryptPad 5.0 : new look

cryptpad.fr: quite a ride !

COVID Wave 1

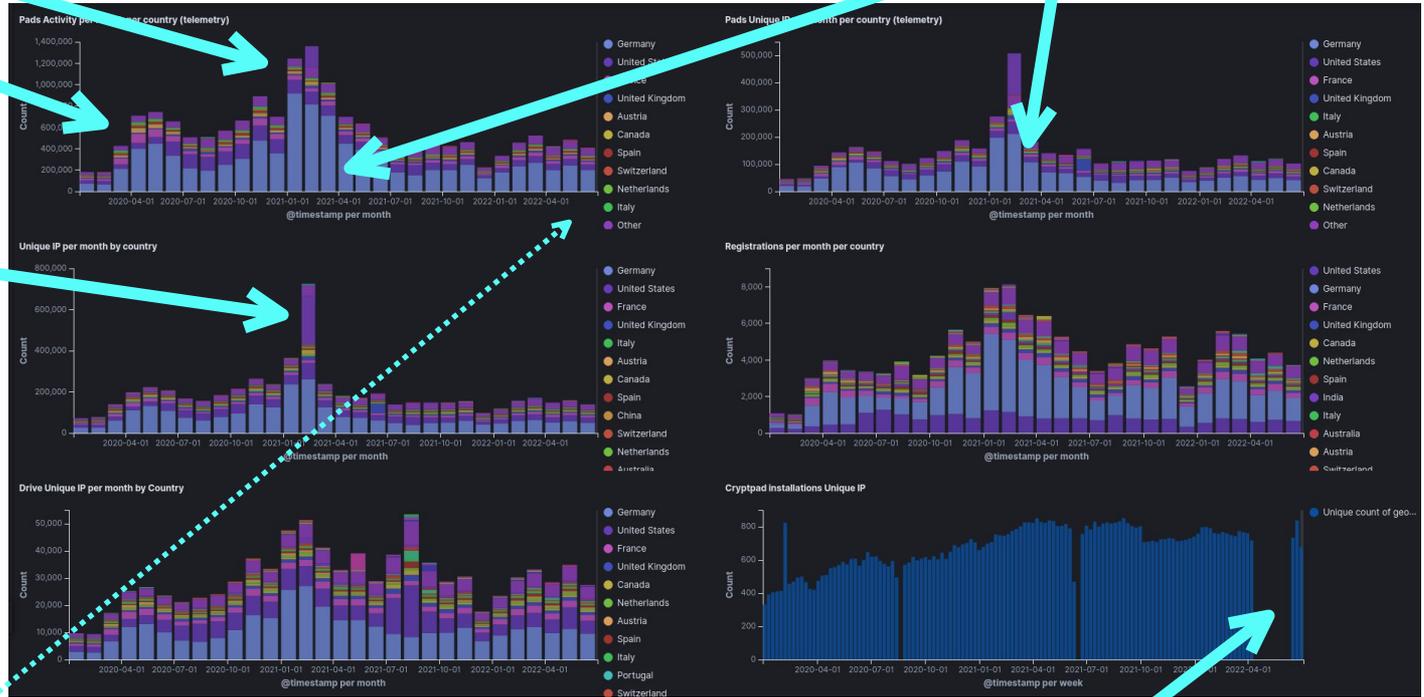
COVID lockdown of schools

High usage in Germany

Greta Thunberg shares a pad in India

450000+ pads / month

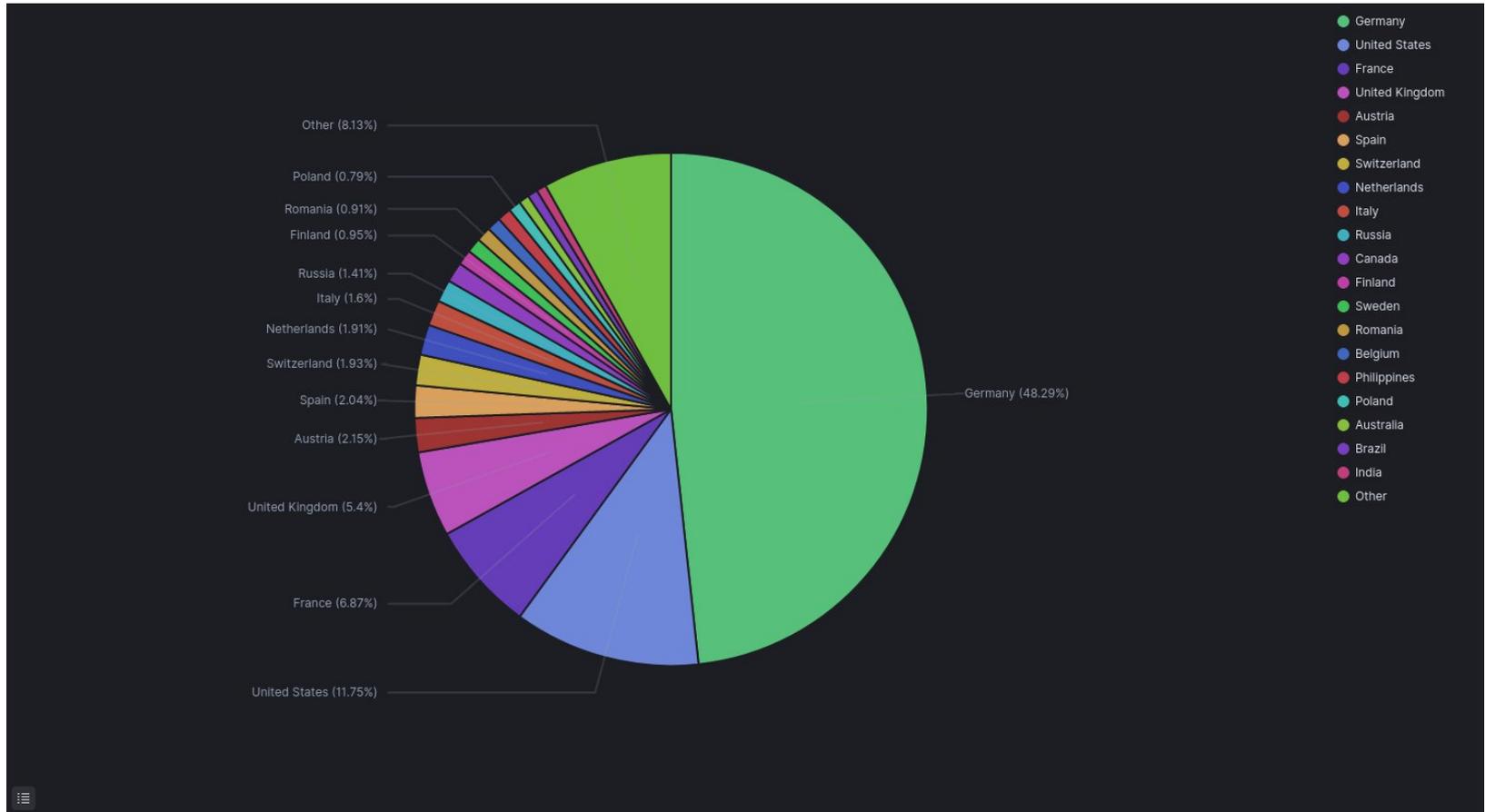
100000+ users / month



30000 drive users / month

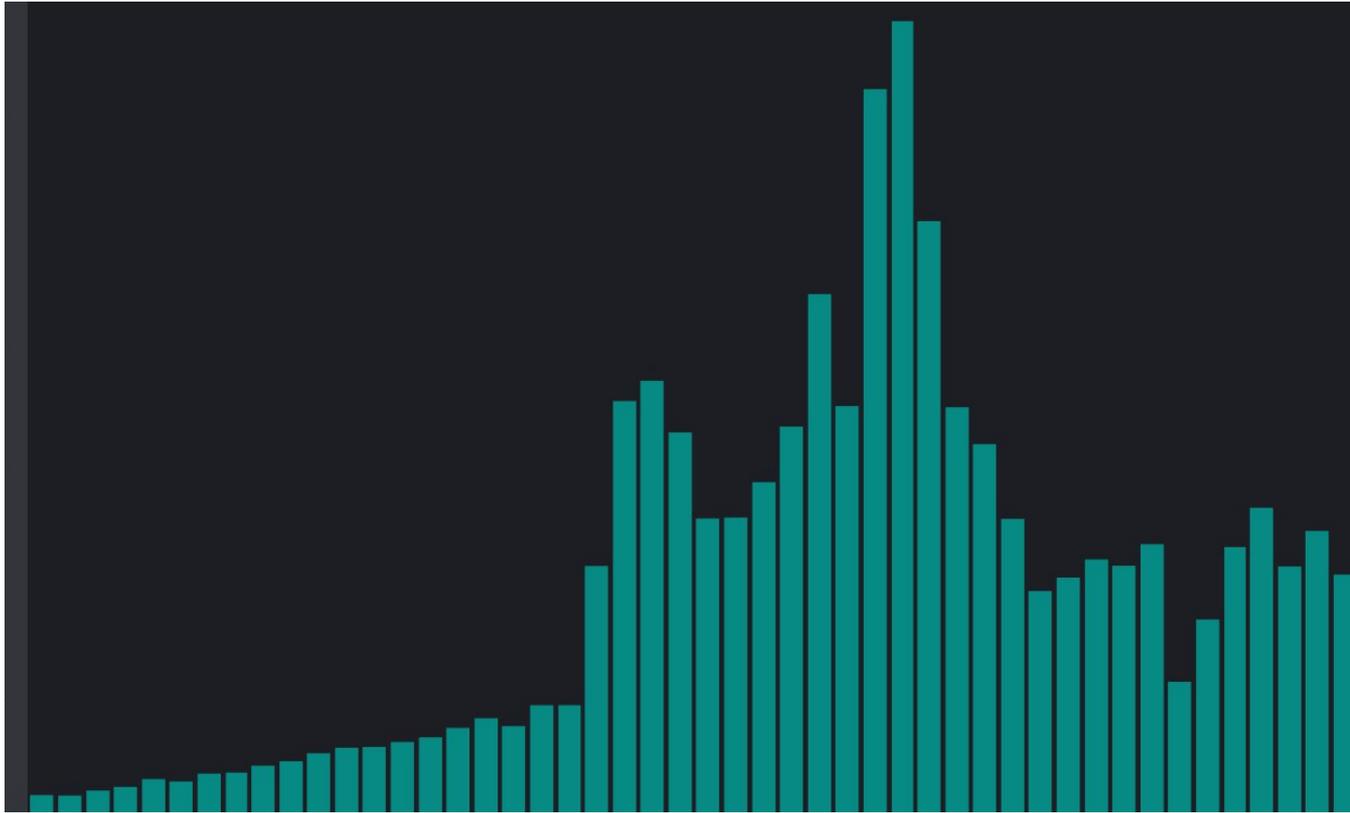
750 installations

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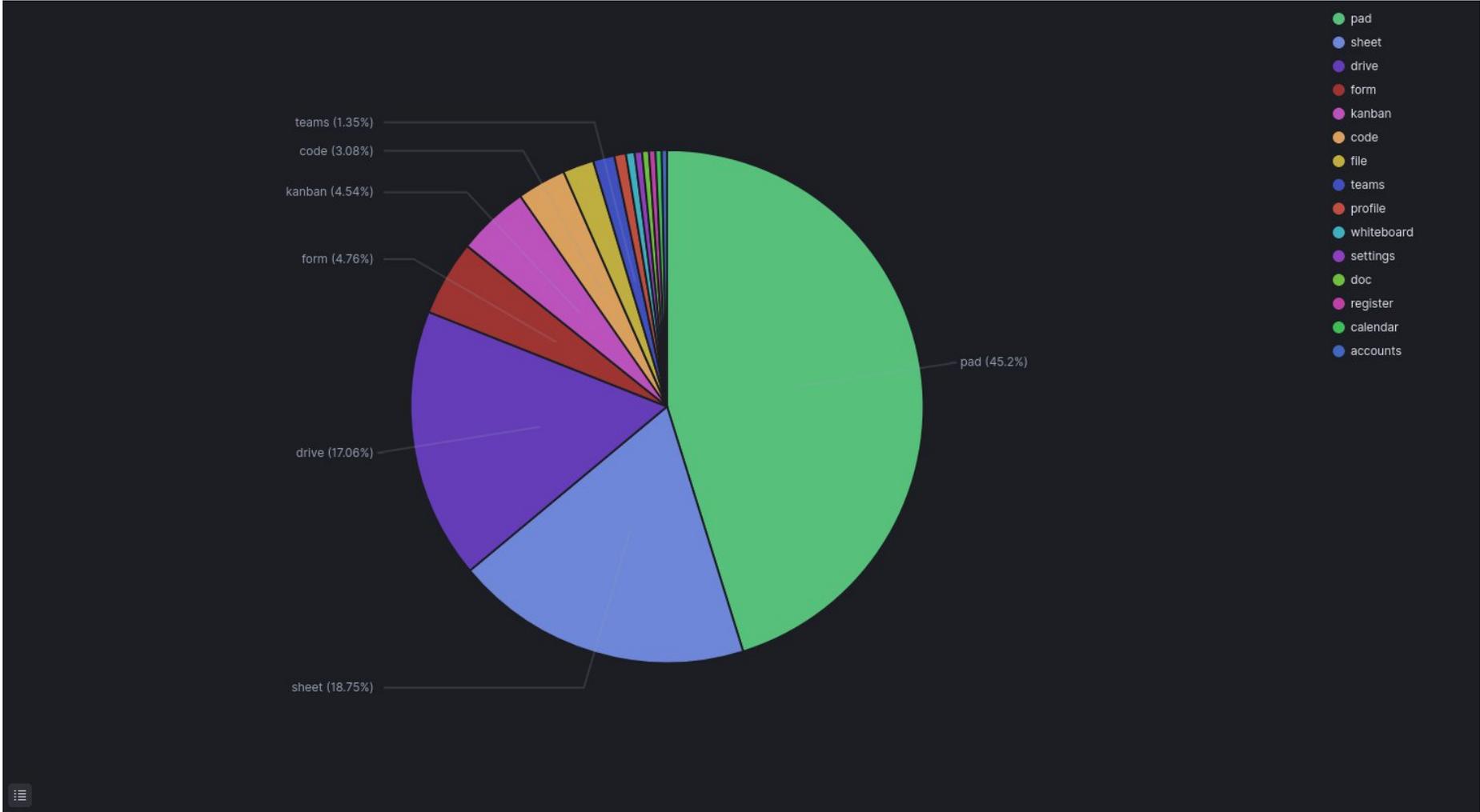
50% of our usage comes from Germany

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spike at 1,3M pads, currently 400-500k / month

cryptpad.fr: Pas types : HTML + Sheets



CryptPad : can it help reduce energy usage ?

- cryptpad.fr : 1300000 pads = 6500 * 200 pads per month = 6500 very active users -> 1 server 8 cores (70Watt) + machine et disks: 100W
-> 1 server for 6500 utilisateurs
- Google Apps (2) Mail+Collab for 18000 users: 1-5KWh/user, 60 serveurs -> considering 33% collaboration vs email
-> 1 server for 1100 users

6x less energy

- Source :
 - (1) https://www.researchgate.net/figure/CPU-Power-consumption-relationship-with-number-of-active-cores_fig2_254817286
 - (2) <https://static.googleusercontent.com/media/www.google.com/fr//green/pdf/google-apps.pdf>

Financing

- Subscriptions 10% <https://cryptpad.fr>
- Donations 5% <https://opencollective.com/cryptpad/>
- Enterprise offers -> coming
- Research projects 85%
 - NLNet
 - NGI DAPSI



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CryptPad: roadmap

- 2FA / SSO Integration
- Documentation Cryptography / Security
- Open with CryptPad (French research project)
- OnlyOffice Improvements (incl. sécurité)
- Longer term : key backup & recovery, scalability of storage

How to help !

- Use it, share it, make it known !
- Translate or help document
(<https://weblate.cryptpad.fr>)
- Deployment / Installation / Maintain packages
- Security audits (and fixes)
- Code in JS -> Contribute / We hire
<https://cryptpad.fr/jobs/> jobs@xwki.com
- Present or talk about CryptPad
(we can provide slides)

Hiring : See

<https://cryptpad.fr/jobs>

- Instance Admin (almost hired)
- Interns (2 this summer)
- Javascript developers
- OnlyOffice developers
- Full Stack (JS, nodeJS, scalability)
- WebAssembly developers

Are you encrypting your data ?