

STS.002 FINANCE AND SOCIETY

How did a Scottish gambler and murderer destroy the entire French financial system in 1720—and revolutionize economic theory in the process? More importantly, what makes finance a kind of engineering? Learn about the past, present, and future of finance, one of modern society's most critical, complex, and often chaotic technological systems—from Fibonacci to Fannie Mae, the Medici to Michael Milkin, Black-Scholes to Bitcoin and beyond.

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