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Applied and Action Learning

(Learning by Doing and Discovery)

Name of the Experiment : Gas Race – Optimizing Smart Contract Efficiency

Objective/Aim:

To analyze gas consumption of different Solidity code patterns, deploy optimized vs. non-optimized smart contracts on a testnet, and observe how programming choices affect gas usage.

Apparatus/Software Used

MetaMask Wallet

1. Brave / Chrome Web Browser
2. Remix IDE – <https://remix.ethereum.org>
3. Ethereum Sepolia Testnet
4. Testnet ETH from a faucet

Theory/Concept:

Smart contract gas usage depends on:

- Storage operations (SSTORE / SLOAD) – Expensive
- Loops & repeated operations
- Data types (e.g., uint256 vs uint8—same cost on EVM)
- Memory vs Storage
- Function visibility
- Use of calldata vs memory

Gas optimization improves:

- Transaction cost
- Contract efficiency
- User affordability

Procedure:

1. Open MetaMask and switch to Sepolia testnet
(Ensure you have a small amount of test ETH.)

2. Open Remix in your browser

Visit <https://remix.ethereum.org>

3. Create Contract 1 – Non-optimized Contract

```

1 // SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
2 pragma solidity ^0.8.19;
3
4 contract GasHeavy {
5     uint256 public total;
6     uint256[] public values;
7
8     function addNumbers(uint256[] memory nums) public {    █ infinite gas
9         for (uint256 i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
10            values.push(nums[i]);           // storage write (expensive)
11            total += nums[i];           // repeated SLOAD + SSTORE
12        }
13    }
14 }
```

4. Compile the contract

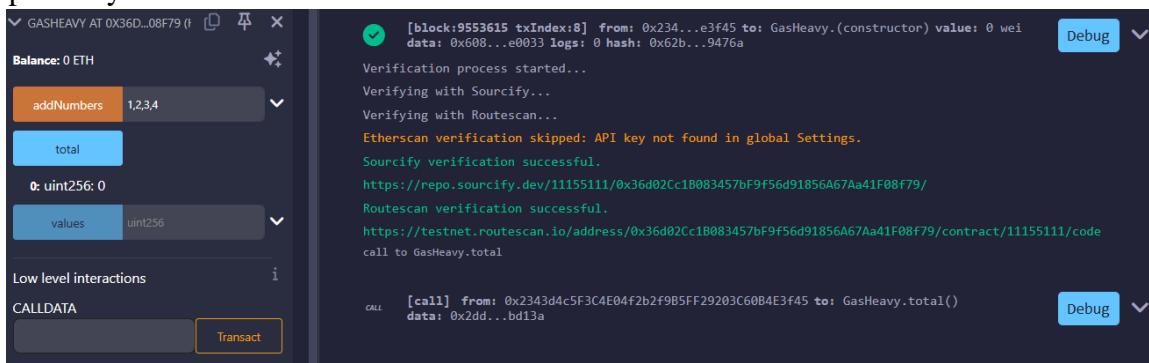
Use Solidity compiler 0.8.x.

5. Deploy it on Sepolia

Select Injected Provider – MetaMask → Deploy → Confirm transaction.

6. Call addNumbers()

Input a sample array such as:



7. Create Contract 2 – Optimized Version

Create another file in Remix and paste:

```

1 // SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
2 pragma solidity ^0.8.19;
3
4 contract GasOptimized {
5     uint256 public total;
6     uint256[] public values;
7
8     function addNumbers(uint256[] calldata nums) external {    █ inf
9         uint256 temp = total;           // load once
10        for (uint256 i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
11            values.push(nums[i]);      // unavoidable storage write
12        }
13    }
14 }
```

8. Compile the optimized contract

9. Deploy it on Sepolia

Again, choose Injected Provider – MetaMask.

10. Run the same input

Call:

The screenshot shows the MetaMask interface. On the left, a transaction is being prepared to call the `addNumbers` function of the `GasOptimized` contract with inputs `[1,2,3,4]`. The estimated gas cost is `0`. On the right, the transaction is being verified. The verification process starts with Sourcify and Routescan. The Sourcify verification is successful, and the Routescan verification is also successful. The transaction details show a call to `GasOptimized.total()` from address `0x2343d4c5F3C4E04f2b2f9B5FF29203C60B4E3f45` to `GasOptimized.total()` with data `0x2dd...bd13a`.

Observation

1. Optimized contract consumed significantly less gas for the same inputs.
2. Using calldata, temporary variables, and reduced SSTORE operations lowered gas usage.
3. Storage writes (`values.push`) remain expensive but unavoidable.
4. MetaMask clearly displayed the difference in estimated gas during transaction confirmation.
5. Efficient smart-contract design leads to cost savings and better performance on testnets and mainnet.

ASSESSMENT

Rubrics	Full Mark	Marks Obtained	Remarks
Concept	10		
Planning and Execution/ Practical Simulation/ Programming	10		
Result and Interpretation	10		
Record of Applied and Action Learning	10		
Viva	10		
Total	50		

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