# The Move Book

Transaction is a fundamental concept in the blockchain world. It is a way to interact with a blockchain. Transactions are used to change the state of the blockchain, and they are the only way to do so. In Move, transactions are used to call functions in a package, deploy new packages, and upgrade existing ones.

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