

Introduction to web3 development

Solana Workflow and Developer Tooling Overview





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Agenda

The agenda:

- Overview of Solana dApp Development
- Developer Tools and Their Use Cases
- Hands-On Demos
- What is zest?



Overview of Solana dApp Development

- Where to start from
- What is the workflow of Solana dApp development
- Useful websites and tools



Where to start from...









- https://report.helius.dev/
- https://solana.com/docs
- https://solana.stackexchange.com/



What is the workflow of Solana dApp development

Install prerequisites Rust, Solana CLI, Anchor

Create project Manually or using npx

case Outline your dApp's purpose and features

Define your dApp

architecture and use

Design your solana programs (contracts)

Using rust and anchor framework

Tests

Test your Solana programs

Audits

Perform audits

Starts with the FE (dApp)

Prepare the FE framework

Integrate with wallet adaptor

Solana wallet adaptor + Solana web3.is

Define appropriate 3rd party libraries

What my project needs as features

Deployments

Solana blockchain deployments FE deployments



Useful websites and tools

- https://explorer.solana.com/
- https://faucet.solana.com/
- https://solana.com/solana-wallets
- https://beta.solpg.io/
- https://www.solconverter.com/
- https://solana-labs.github.io/solana-web3.js/



Developer Tools and Their Use Cases





zest

code coverage CLI tool for Solana programs



Entry Point

```
// src/main.rs
fn main() -> eyre::Result<()> {
    let Config { command } = Config::parse();
    match command.unwrap_or(Subcommands::Coverage(Default::default())) {
        Subcommands::Coverage(config) => {
            let config = coverage::Config::parse_with_config_file(Some(config))?;
            coverage::run(config)
        }
    }
}
```

What happens here:

- Command-line arguments are parsed
- If no command is specified, defaults to Coverage
- Configuration is loaded from either:
 Command line arguments or
 Configuration file (zest-coverage.toml)
- Default values



Project Analysis

What happens here:

- Project type detection
- Native Solana Program: Looks for process_instruction entry point -
- Anchor Program: Looks for #[program] attribute -
- CPI Program: Detects cross-program invocations

Key points:

- Different program types require different analysis approaches
- Test structure varies between Native and Anchor programs
- CPI programs need special handling for cross-program coverage



Coverage Setup

```
// src/coverage/mod.rs
pub fn run(config: Config) -> eyre::Result<()> {
    // Environment setup
    env::set_current_dir(&path)?;
    install_llvm_tools(compiler_version.as_ref())?;
```

What happens here:

- Changes to project directory
- Installs necessary LLVM tools for coverage
- Sets up coverage environment variables
- Creates necessary directories

Key points:

- Sets up build environment based on program type
- Configures coverage instrumentation
- Prepares test environment
- Different build process for Native vs Anchor
- Coverage instrumentation is added during build
- Test framework is configured based on project type



How Instrumentation Works

What happens here:

- LLVM profiling is configured to generate .profraw files
- Each program function is instrumented with coverage tracking
- Branch points are marked for tracking (if enabled)

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Instrumentation Example

```
// examples/counter/anchor/programs/counter_anchor/src/lib.rs
#[program]
pub mod counter_anchor {
    pub fn increment(ctx: Context<CounterContext>) -> Result<()> {
        ctx.accounts.counter_pda.count += 1;
        Ok(())
    }
}
```

What Gets Instrumented:

- Function Entry Points:
 - Tracks when `increment` is called
 - Records number of invocations
- Line Coverage:
 - Tracks execution of counter_pda.count += 1
 - Records how many times each line runs
- Branch Points (if enabled):
 - Tracks error conditions
 - Records which paths are taken



Test Execution & Coverage Collection

```
// src/coverage/mod.rs
if tests.is_empty() {
    cargo_test(None)?;
} else {
    tests.iter().map(Some).try_for_each(cargo_test)?;
}
```

What happens:

- Tests are identified and filtered
- Each test is run with coverage instrumentation
- Raw coverage data is stored in `profraw` files

Coverage Data Collection

- Raw coverage data is stored in `profraw` files
- LLVM generates coverage data during test execution
- Data includes:
 - Line execution counts
 - Branch decisions (if enabled)
 - Function entry/exit points



Coverage Processing

```
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    cargo_test(None)?;
} else {
    tests.iter().map(Some).try_for_each(cargo_test)?;
}
```

What happens:

- Raw coverage data is collected from `profraw` files
- Data is processed and analyzed
- Coverage metrics are calculated
- Source mapping is applied

Report generation

- Generates reports in specified formats (HTML, LCOV)
- Maps coverage data back to source code
- Creates visual representation of coverage



Solana mucho

Command line tool to simplify development and testing



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Q&A