

# (E)UTxO

- Is very different from ether - it take some time more useful

| *extended Unspent transaction output*

## Ethereum-style smart contracts

- When a [transaction](#) occurs on an account [blockchain](#), the balance of the sender's account is directly decremented and that of the recipient is incremented, similar to how conventional bank accounts work.
- Contracts interact with these balances and run via the EVM (Ethereum Virtual Machine). The EVM can be thought of as a global on chain computer on which smart contracts take turns running, before their results are added to the chain.

## The eUTxO model

- In the eUTxO model [tokens](#) are stored in UTxOs. A [UTxO](#) is like (electronic)-cash where each individual bundle of bills (Ada and native-[tokens](#)) is stored separately
- A [transaction](#) in the [UTxO](#) model takes one or more UTxOs as [transaction inputs](#), which are destroyed, and creates one or more UTxOs as [transaction outputs](#)
- Transactions in an *account-based model*(Ether) mutate the data-points storing the total balances. This is very risky. In the [UTxO](#) model only the "bills" that participate in a given [transaction](#) can potentially be affected.
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