

Web3 Basics Hands-On Project

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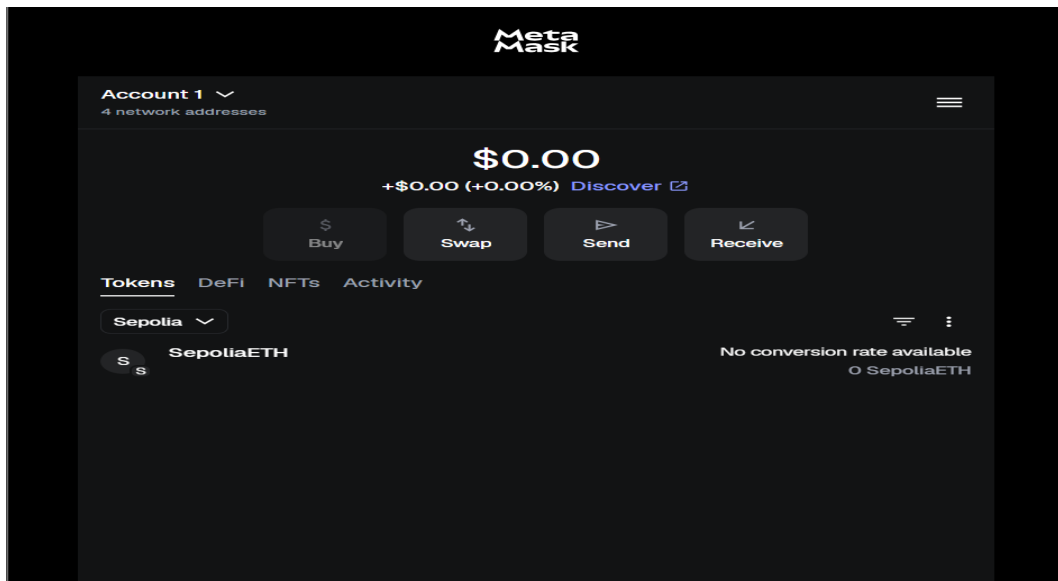
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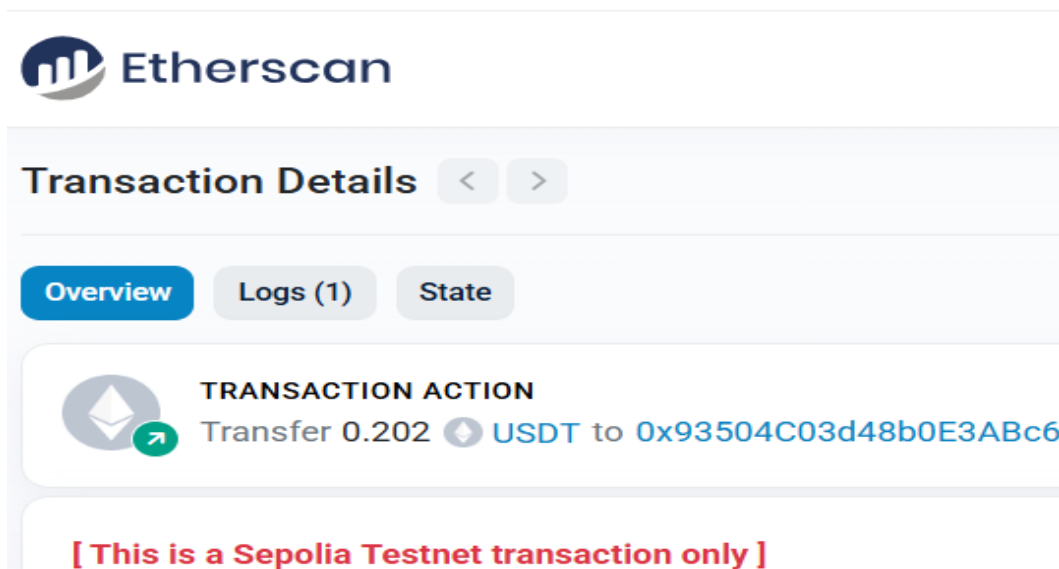
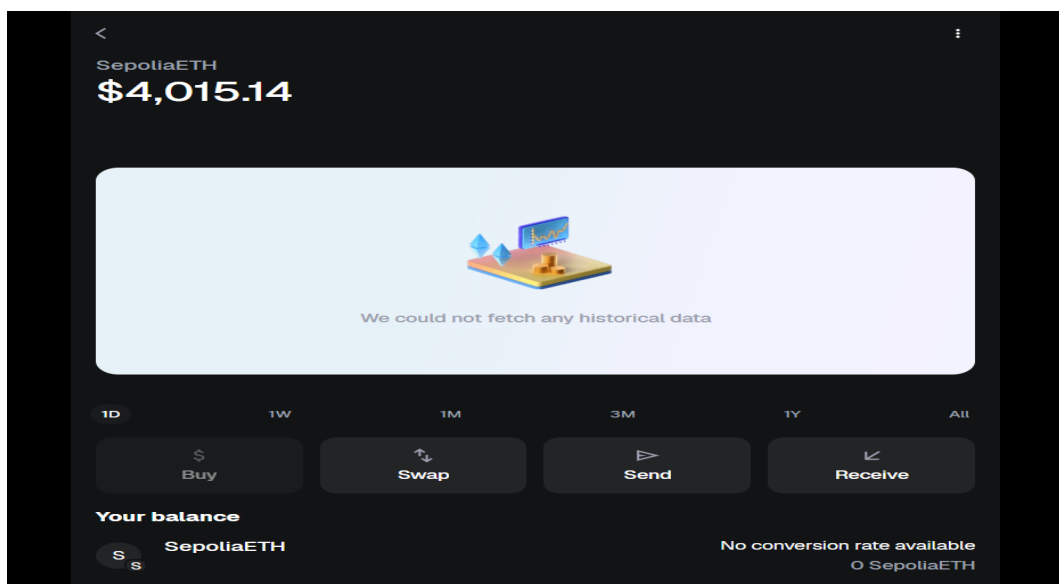
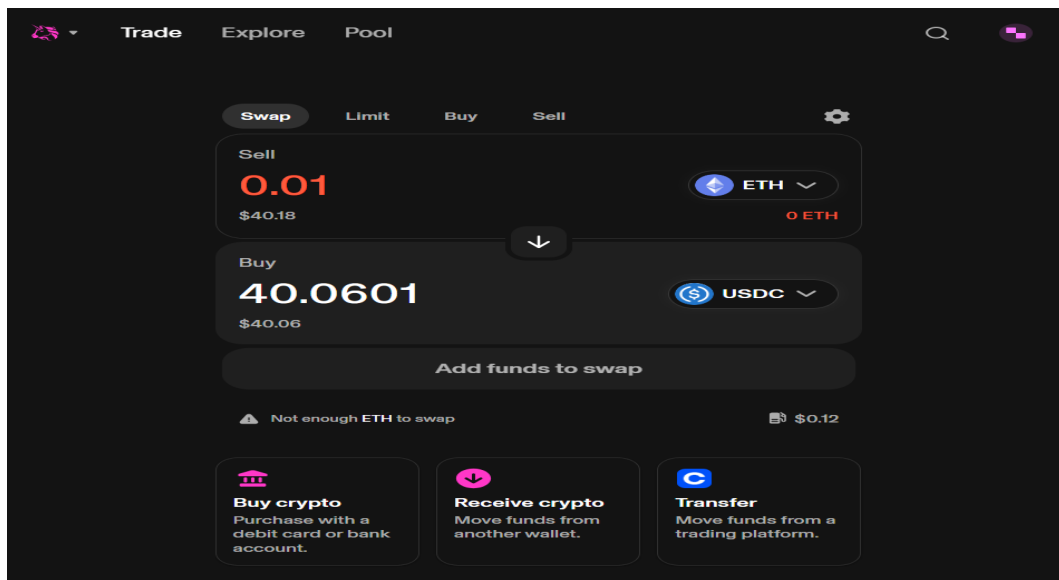
1. Introduction

This project demonstrates the process of setting up a MetaMask wallet, configuring it to the Sepolia test network, obtaining testnet ETH from a faucet, and interacting with a DApp to understand decentralized application workflows. Through this activity, I gained hands-on experience with blockchain transactions, gas fees, smart contracts, and the importance of wallet security.

2. Documentation & Screenshots

A screenshot of the Etherscan website's 'Transactions' page. The page header includes a search bar and the Etherscan logo. Below the header, it states 'More than 607,250,758 transactions found (Showing the last 100k records)'. There are navigation buttons for 'Download Page Data', 'First', '<', 'Page 1 of 2000', '>', and 'Last'. The main content is a table of transactions with columns for Transaction Hash, Method, Block, Age, and From. The table lists several transactions, all occurring 8 seconds ago at block 9514202.

Transaction Hash	Method	Block	Age	From
0x43f05c174d5...	Transfer	9514202	8 secs ago	0x172515Bf...Ea153fDD9
0xfe9a4f7dcb0...	Report	9514202	8 secs ago	0x1741EB74...2EcD65c4c
0xeccd749da3...	Report	9514202	8 secs ago	0x1741EB74...2EcD65c4c
0x466749f10d3...	Report	9514202	8 secs ago	0x860235D5...B2fa4f33f
0xb0cf682b182...	Report	9514202	8 secs ago	0x02e15Ba3...27F6ED203
0xfd8edfc717e...	Forward	9514202	8 secs ago	0xFA646594...815B3600a
0x59420d3909...	Transmit	9514202	8 secs ago	0x9Fa36294...7Dd3468D9
0xdbaa58d5ae...	Handle Ops	9514202	8 secs ago	0x4337019d...CE664B350



Sepolia Testnet

Search by Address / Txn Hash / Block / Token

Etherscan

HomeBlockchainTokensNFTsMore

Transaction Details

OverviewLogs (1)State

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TRANSACTION ACTION

Transfer 0.202 USDT to 0x93504C03d48b0E3ABc62fD4fe0FF156382EaC21f

[This is a Sepolia Testnet transaction only]

Transaction Hash:

0x43f05c174d5d5df8587e18f220be9f0f577c64d1d5c394ed1bf3455bc6036965

Status:

Success

Block:

951420246 Block Confirmations

Timestamp:

9 mins ago (Oct-29-2025 07:35:36 AM UTC)

From:

0x172515Bf9c383bc27e9E3De8B2F7DaDEa153fDD9

Interacted With (To):

0xB7E73f3f51C8dEA5b9156D0fa908BC578F4700Aa

ERC-20 Tokens Transferred:

All TransfersNet Transfers

From 0x172515Bf...Ea153fDD9To 0x93504C03...382EaC21fFor 0.202 ERC-20: USDT (USDT)

3. Wallet & Transaction Details

Public Wallet Address: 0xe2643e8f15530fdffb706c2e3011e1ba5422afb

Transaction Hash:

0x43f05c174d5d5df8587e18f220be9f0f577c64d1d5c394ed1bf3455bc6036965

Etherscan Link: [View on Sepolia Etherscan](#)

4. Written Reflection

Errors or Issues Faced:

While using MetaMask and interacting with the DApp, I encountered an issue that said “Not enough ETH to swap.” This happened because I was trying to perform a token swap on the Sepolia test network, which requires SepoliaETH to pay for gas fees. Since my wallet balance was initially zero, the transaction couldn’t proceed.

How I Resolved or Understood the Issue:

After researching and reviewing documentation, I realized that every transaction on a blockchain network — even on a testnet — needs a small amount of ETH as gas fees to process the transaction. Gas is paid to validators who confirm transactions. To fix the issue, I used a Sepolia faucet to request free testnet ETH. Once my wallet received the tokens, I was able to retry the transaction and successfully interact with the DApp.

Personal Learning from the Activity:

This hands-on exercise helped me understand how blockchain technology functions in practice. I learned how blocks store transaction data in a decentralized ledger, how consensus mechanisms like Proof of Stake (PoS) validate these transactions, and how smart contracts automate actions within DApps. By setting up MetaMask, I gained experience in wallet management, network configuration, and on-chain verification using Etherscan.

I also learned about testnets, which allow developers to experiment safely without using real currency. Overall, I developed a strong appreciation for the transparency, immutability, and user control that decentralized systems provide compared to traditional centralized applications.

Tone: This reflection is written in an academic and professional tone suitable for coursework submission.

5. Technical Summary

Testnet Used: Sepolia Test Network

DApp Interacted With: Uniswap (Testnet)

Transactions Performed: Faucet claim and token swap

Errors Encountered: “Not enough ETH to swap” message due to zero initial balance

Troubleshooting Steps: Claimed SepoliaETH from a faucet and retried transaction successfully

6. Conclusion

Through this exercise, I gained a solid understanding of Web3 fundamentals, including wallet setup, gas fees, smart contracts, and DApp interaction. I successfully performed a transaction on the Sepolia test network, verified it on Etherscan, and learned the core principles that make blockchain a secure and decentralized technology.