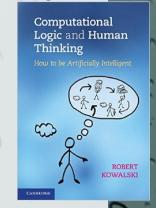
# Logical Contracts

Logical Contract Server Preview RuleML Webinar, Nov 24, 2017 Miguel Calejo (*with LC team*)

### Preamble: Logical Production Systems (LPS)

- Research by Kowalski and Sadri at Imperial College
  - Legal Reasoning, British National Act,
     Obligation as goal satisfaction, etc.
  - Computational Logic for Human Thinking book
  - Logical agents with Dávila
  - Computational Logic for Use in Teaching with Calejo
  - Several LPS implementations
- http://lps.doc.ic.ac.uk



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# **Logical Contracts?**

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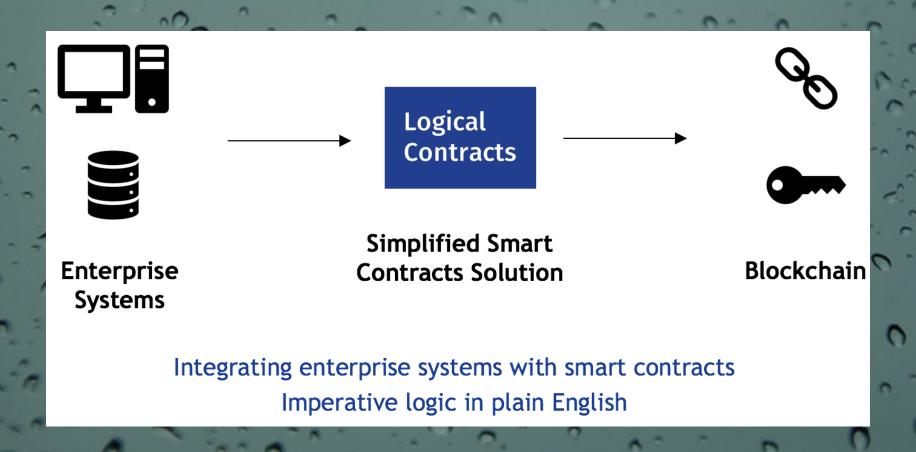






- Imperial College London spinoff (now courting investors)
- Enhance and apply LPS to...
  - Smart contracts: a good fit
- Open source engine and basic environment

## Sales pitch du jour...



### PoC vision through example

- Rock-Paper-Scissors "gambling" game
- 1 click
  - simulation is displayed, graphical and narrative
- 1 click
  - contract executing on cloud with new Ethereum address
- We're done:
  - bets are received, game is decided, prize paid
  - Ethereum retains history and contract reference

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2 maxTime(5). % Simulate over 5 cycles
 4 beats(scissors, paper).
 5 beats(paper, rock).
 6 beats(rock, scissors).
 8 events transaction from (From, Input, Ammount).
 9 fluents played(_Player, Choice), reward(_Total), gameOver.
10 actions pay( Player, Prize).
11
12 initially reward(0).
13
14 % simulate input events:
15 observe transaction from(miguel,rock,1000) from 1 to 2.
16 observe transaction from(bob,paper,1000) from 1 to 2.
17 observe transaction from(alex, paper, 1000) from 2 to 3. % one player too many!
18
19 transaction from (From, Input, Wei) initiates played (From, Input).
20
21 false transaction from (From, Input, Wei), Wei=<0.
22 false transaction from (From, Input, Wei), played (From, ).
23
24 num players(N) at T if
       findall(P, played(P,_) at T, L), length(L,N).
25
26
27 false num players(N), N>2.
28
29 transaction from (Player, ,X) updates Old to New in reward(Old) if
       New is Old+X.
30
31
32 pay( ,Prize) updates Old to New in reward(Old) if New is Old-Prize.
33
34 if played(P0,Choice0) at T1, played(P1,Choice1) at T1, P0 == P1, beats(Choice0,Choice1), not gameOver at T1
35 then initiate gameOver from Tl, reward(Prize) at Tl, pay(P0, Prize) from Tl to T2.
36
37 if played(P0,Choice) at T1, played(P1,Choice) at T1, P0 @> P1, not gameOver at T1
38 them initiate gameOver from T1, reward(Prize) at T1, Half is Prize/2, pay(P0, Half) from T1, pay(P1, Half) from T1.
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### LPS for logic programmers:

- LPS is a Prolog superset, adding explicit time...
  - "Time" as a sequence of discrete cycles

beats(scissors,paper)

Action!

Timeless truth:

- Literals can be timeless as usual... or not:
  - Fluents: true over a cycle
  - Events/actions: happen in cycle transitions
- Extra syntax:
  - Fluent and event rules and declarations, external observations
  - Post conditions (actions changing fluents), integrity constraints
  - Reactive rules
- A Prolog program executes "instantly". But a LPS program executes over time cycles:
  - Reactive rules introduce parallel (AND) goals
  - Fluents and events/actions mean.. delay

Event: Action:

happens(transaction\_from(bob,paper,1000),1,2)

pay(bob, 2000) from 2 to 3

Fluents:

holds(reward(2000),2)

gameOver at 3

### **Blockchain 101**

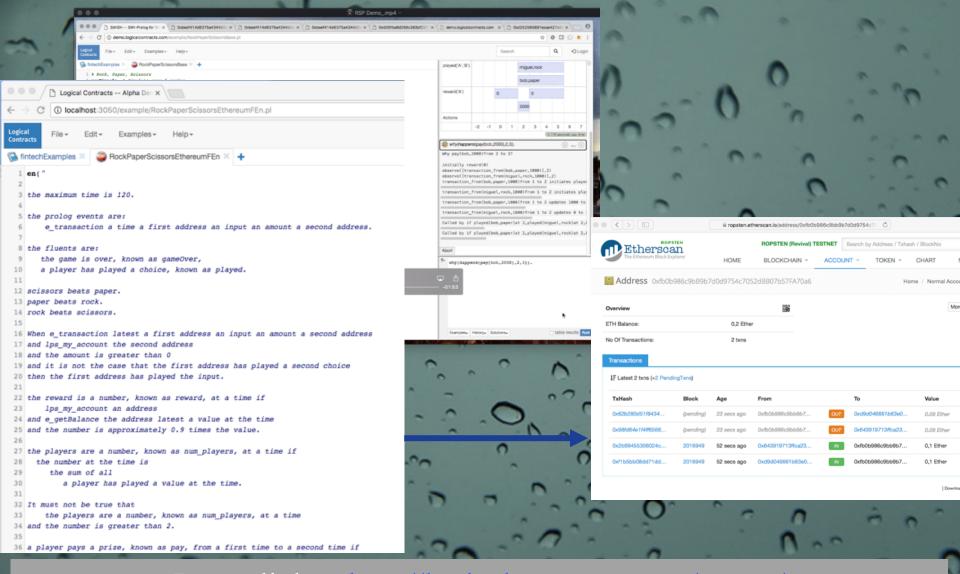
- "Global" database, or "distributed ledger"
  - Grows monotonically with new versions ("blocks") every few seconds
  - Contains all account balances and transactions
- Ethereum, Hyperledger, ...
  - Can also contain and execute code (smart contracts): Solidity, JavaScript
- ethereum interface for LPS
  - LPS contracts in cloud servers off blockchain
    - · flexibility, abstraction from blockchain du jour
  - e\_getBalance(+Account,+Block,-Value)
  - e\_transaction(+Block,?From,?Input,?Wei,?To)
  - e\_sendTransactionWithAtom(+From,+To,+Value,+Message,-Tx)
  - e\_existsTransactionReceipt(+Tx)
  - For anything else doable with <u>Ethereum RPC</u>:
    - e( method(Argument1, Argument2, ...Result) )

#### **RPS on Ethereum blockchain**

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4 beats(scissors, paper).
 5 beats(paper, rock).
 6 beats(rock, scissors).
 8 prolog events e transaction(latest, From, Input, Wei, To). % Generate events from the blockchain
10 e transaction(latest, From, Input, Wei, To) initiates played (From, Input, Wei) if
       lps my account(To), Wei>0, not played(From, , ).
11
12
13 fluents played(_Player,_Choice,_Value), gameOver.
14
15 reward(R) at T if
       balance(V) at T,
16
       R is round(V*0.9). % keep 10% :-)
17
18
19 balance(B) at T if
20
       findall(V,played(_, ,V) at T,L), sum list(L,B).
21
22 num players(N) at T if
       findall(P, played(P,_,_) at T, L), length(L,N).
23
24
25 false num players(N), N>2.
26
27 pay(Player, Prize) from T1 to T3 if % plan / macro action on the blockchain
       lps my account(Us),
28
       e sendTransaction(Us, Player, Prize, PaymentTx) from T1 to T2,
29
30
       e existsTransactionReceipt(PaymentTx) at T3.
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### Conclusion

- Demo and more info at <a href="http://logicalcontracts.com/server">http://logicalcontracts.com/server</a>
  - LPS contract server, implemented on SWI Prolog
  - Web editor, visualizations, on SWISH
  - Preliminary formal English, explanator
  - Web services (LPS event injection, remote LPS actions)
  - Hibernation (a contract can suspend and resume in another engine)
  - Ethereum logical API (via geth), LPS contracts as Ethereum accounts
- Upcoming
  - More examples from AI+Law literature: escrow, loans, ...
  - Bridging to existing logics etc.
  - Pilot projects
  - Formal English improvements, other languages
- Open source pledge©
  - Collaborations welcome

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