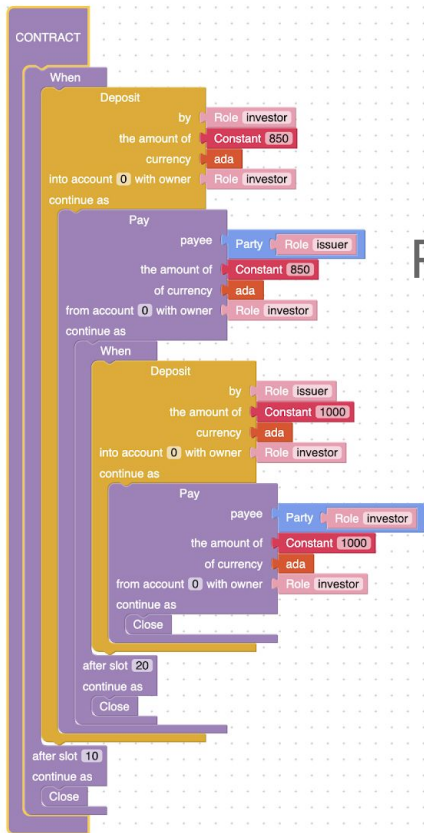


Cardano challenge: **Actus in Marlowe**



Project Title: Marlowe EasyRead

Project Goal: Enhance Actus in Marlowe by visualizing how Actus contracts operate, utilizing easy to read on and off chain contracts.





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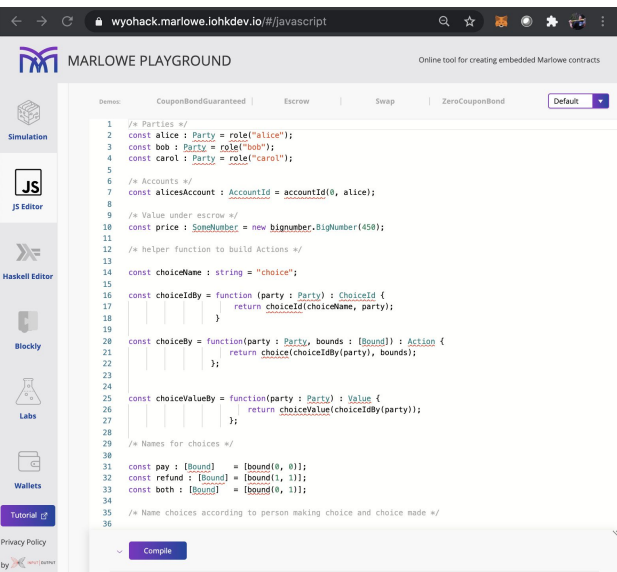
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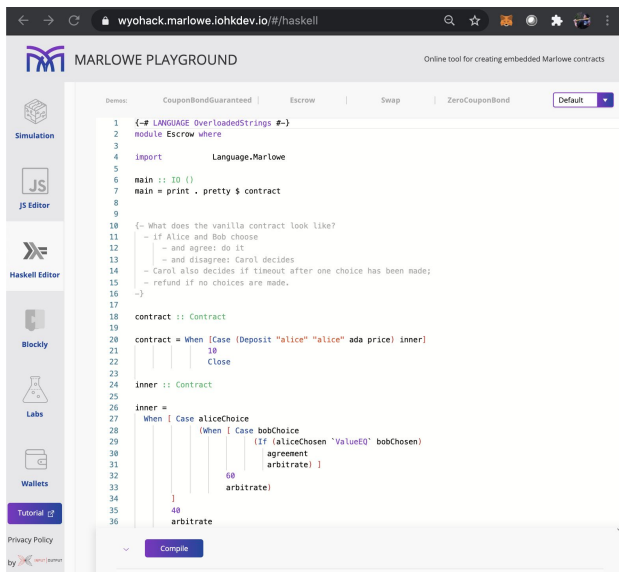


Problem Although you can create contracts in Javascript, Haskell, or Blockly within Marlowe



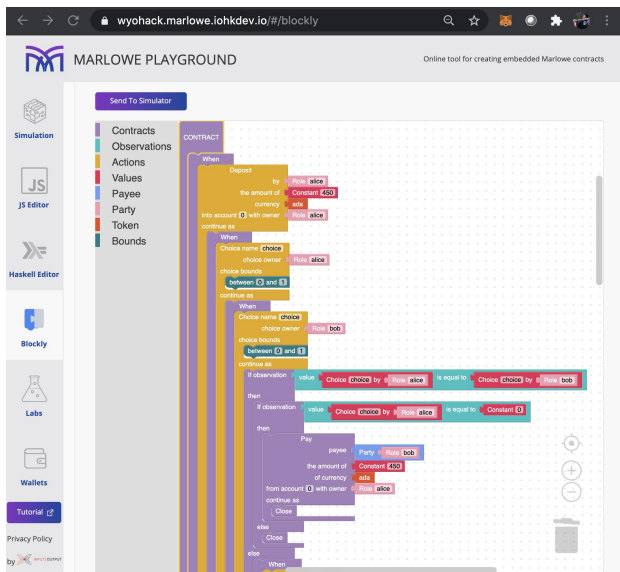
The screenshot shows the Marlowe Playground interface with the JavaScript editor selected. The code defines a contract for a coupon bond with three parties: Alice, Bob, and Carol. It includes functions for account management, choice handling, and payment logic. The interface includes a sidebar with icons for Simulation, JS Editor, Haskell Editor, Blockly, Labs, Wallets, and Tutorial. The main area displays the JavaScript code with line numbers and a 'Compile' button at the bottom.

```
1 /* Parties */
2 const alice : Party = role("alice");
3 const bob : Party = role("bob");
4 const carol : Party = role("carol");
5
6 /* Accounts */
7 const aliceAccount : AccountId = accountId(0, alice);
8
9 /* Value under escrow */
10 const price : SomeNumber = new bigNumber, bigNumber(458);
11
12 /* helper function to build Actions */
13
14 const choiceName : string = "choice";
15
16 const choiceIdBy = function (party : Party) : ChoiceId {
17     return choiceId(choiceName, party);
18 }
19
20 const choiceBy = function (party : Party, bounds : [Bound]) : Action {
21     return choice(choiceIdBy(party), bounds);
22 }
23
24
25 const choiceValueBy = function (party : Party) : Value {
26     return choiceValue(choiceIdBy(party));
27 }
28
29 /* Names for choices */
30
31 const pay : [Bound] = [bound(0, 0)];
32 const refund : [Bound] = [bound(1, 1)];
33 const both : [Bound] = [bound(0, 1)];
34
35 /* Name choices according to person making choice and choice made */
36
```



The screenshot shows the Marlowe Playground interface with the Haskell editor selected. The code defines a contract for a coupon bond using Haskell syntax. It includes a module declaration, imports, and functions for account management, choice handling, and payment logic. The interface includes a sidebar with icons for Simulation, JS Editor, Haskell Editor, Blockly, Labs, Wallets, and Tutorial. The main area displays the Haskell code with line numbers and a 'Compile' button at the bottom.

```
1 {-# LANGUAGE OverloadedStrings #-}
2 module Escrow where
3
4 import Language.Marlowe
5
6 main :: IO ()
7 main = print . pretty $ contract
8
9
10 {- What does the vanilla contract look like?
11 - if Alice and Bob choose
12 -   - and agrees do it:
13 -   - and disagrees: Carol decides
14 - Carol also decides if timeout after one choice has been made;
15 - refund if no choices are made.
16 -}
17
18 contract :: Contract
19
20 contract = When [Case (Deposit "alice" "alice" ada price) inner]
21
22
23 Close
24
25 inner :: Contract
26
27 inner =
28   When [ Case aliceChoice
29         (When [ Case bobChoice
30               (If (aliceChosen "Value0" bobChosen)
31                  agreement
32                  arbitrate)
33             ]
34         )
35         ]
36   arbitrate
```



Javascript, Haskell, or even Blockly are not all that readable to a someone without a programing background.

A person entering into a “smart contract” would have a hard time verifying the intent of the contract as even blockly can be a bit hard to interpret without the assistance of a computer programmer.

Solution

Integrate the open source **Lexon** language into Marlowe

The screenshot displays the Lexon web editor interface. The browser address bar shows the URL `demo.lexon.tech/apps/editor/`. The interface is split into two main panels.

Left Panel (Lexon Examples):

- Examples:** A dropdown menu showing `example_3f`.
- LEX Paid Escrow.**
- LEXON: 0.2.12**
- COMMENT: 3.f - an escrow that is controlled by a third party for a fee.**
- "Payer"** is a person.
- "Payee"** is a person.
- "Arbiter"** is a person.
- "Fee"** is an amount.
- The **Payer** **pays** an Amount into **escrow**,
- appoints** the **Payee**,
- appoints** the **Arbiter**,
- and also **fixes** the **Fee**.
- CLAUSE: Pay Out.**
- The **Arbiter** **may pay** from **escrow** the **Fee** to **themselves**,
- and afterwards **pay** the remainder of the **escrow** to the **Payee**.
- CLAUSE: Pay Back.**
- The **Arbiter** **may pay** from **escrow** the **Fee** to **themselves**,
- and afterwards **return** the remainder of the **escrow** to the **Payer**.

Right Panel (Solidity Code):

Tab: **Sophia** | Solidity

```
pragma solidity ^0.5.0;

contract LEX{

    /* 3.f - an escrow that is controlled by a third party for a fee. */
    address payable payer;
    address payable payee;
    address payable arbiter;
    uint fee;

    constructor(address payable _payee, address payable _arbiter, uint _
        payer=msg.sender;
        payee=_payee;
        arbiter=_arbiter;
        fee=_fee;
    }

    function Pay_Out() external {
        if (msg.sender == arbiter){
            arbiter.transfer(fee);
            payee.transfer(address(this).balance);
        }else{
            require(false);
        }
    }

    function Pay_Back() external {
        if (msg.sender == arbiter){
            arbiter.transfer(fee);
            payer.transfer(address(this).balance);
        }else{
            require(false);
        }
    }
}
```

Deploy to Blockchain

Value Proposition

LEX Escrow.

“Payer” is a person.

“Payee” is a person.

“Agent” is a person.

“Fee” is an amount.

The Payer pays an Amount into escrow, appoints the Payee, appoints the Agent, and also fixes the Fee.

CLAUSE: Pay Out.

The Agent may pay from escrow the Fee to themselves, and afterwards pay the remainder of the escrow to the Payee.

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The Agent may pay from escrow the Fee to themselves, and afterwards return the remainder of the escrow to the Payer.

Sophia

Solidity

```
pragma solidity ^0.5.0;
```

```
contract LEX{
    address payable payer;
    address payable payee;
    address payable agent;
    uint fee;

    constructor(address payable _payee, address payable _agent, uint _fee) public payable {
        payer=msg.sender;
        payee=_payee;
        agent=_agent;
        fee=_fee;
    }

    function Pay_Out() external {
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Benefit

Advantage of using human readable language for code

Text can serve as a legal contract that a contract party, lawyer, or judge could understand.

Text can compile directly to an executable smart contract. Languages **Lexon** currently exports to are “Sophia” and “Solidity”. Support for Plutus would be a game changer.

Participation in a DAO (decentralized autonomous organization) would be much more comprehensible if the DAO rules were written out in human readable code.

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