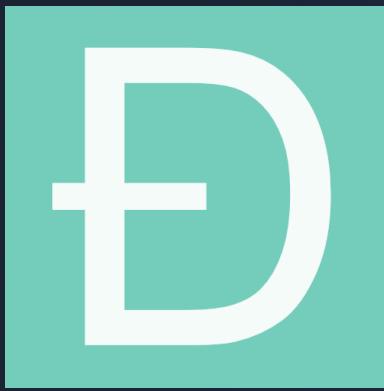




WHY IS SCILLA BETTER THAN SOLIDITY?

INCIDENTS WITH SMART CONTRACTS



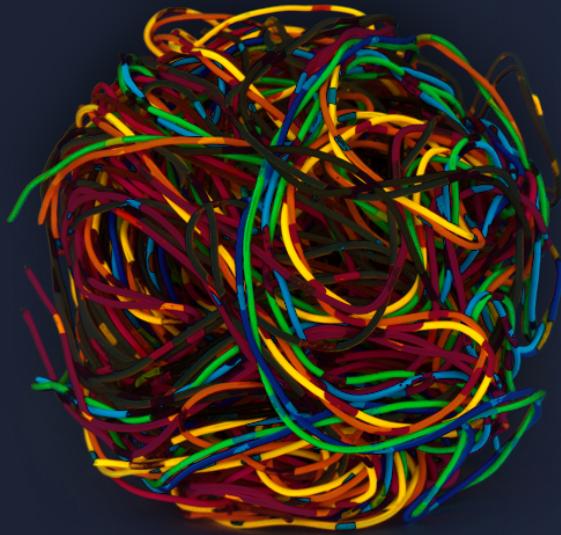
\$60 MIL
STOLEN



\$300 MIL
FROZEN



UNDERLYING CAUSES



COMPLEXITY



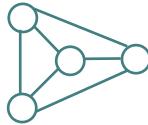
EXPECTED VS
UNEXPECTED
BEHAVIOR



NO FORMAL
VERIFICATION

SCILLA

SMART CONTRACTS ON ZILLIQA



NON-TURING
COMPLETE



DECIDABLE
CONTRACTS



AMENABLE TO
FORMAL VERIFICATION

CLEAN SEPARATION:
COMMUNICATION VS
COMPUTATION

KICKSTARTER IN SCILLA

IMMUTABLE PARAMS

```
contract Crowdfunding  
  (owner      : ByStr20,  
   deadline   : BNum,  
   goal       : UInt128)
```

MUTABLE STATE

```
field backers : Map Address ⇒ Int = Emp  
field success : Bool = False
```

STATE TRANSITIONS

```
transition Donate ()
```

```
transition GetFunds ()
```

```
transition ClaimBack ()
```

DAO INCIDENT

SOLIDITY

```
function reclaim
{
    uint amount = contributors[msg.sender]
    if(msg.sender.call.value(amount) == false)
        throw
    // reset the amount for sender
    contributors[msg.sender] = 0;
}
```

SEND

CALLBACK



INSTRUCTION NEVER EXECUTED

PREVENTING DAO INCIDENT

SECURITY RECOMMENDATION

```
// THIS CONTRACT HAS A BUG, DO NOT USE
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        throw
    // reset the amount for sender
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}
```

```
// SAFE TO USE
function reclaim
{
    uint amount = contributors[msg.sender];
    contributors[msg.sender] = 0;
    msg.sender.transfer(amount);
}
```

CHECK-EFFECTS-INTERACTIONS

PREVENTING DAO INCIDENT AT THE LANGUAGE LEVEL

SOLIDITY

```
// SAFE TO USE

function reclaim()
{
    uint amount = contributors[msg.sender];
    msg.sender.transfer(amount);
}
```

EXTERNAL CALLS ALWAYS HAPPEN AT THE END
REENTRANCY ATTACKS ARE INEFFECTIVE

SCILLA

```
transition Reclaim
    // Check if the sender is eligible to
    // reclaim
    if (...)

    // remove sender from the list
    let v = get(contributors, sender) in
    contributors := remove(contributors,
    sender);
    send (<to → sender, amount → v,
    tag → "main", msg → "refunded">)
```

HACKS ON PARITY MULTISIG CONTRACT

```
contract UnsafeLibraryContract2{
    address owner;

    function initowner(address _owner) { owner = _owner; }

    function transferTo(uint _amount, address _recipient) {
        if (msg.sender == owner)
            _recipient.transfer(_amount);
    }
}
```

Solidity does not have a clean separation between libraries (a contract with only mathematical functions) and a non-library contract (which can handle states such as `_owner`)

Anyone can set `_owner`

Transfer once `_owner` is set

INTEGER OVERFLOW ATTACKS

```
function batchTransfer(address[]receivers, uint256 _value, bool) {
    uint cnt = _receivers.length;
    uint256 amount = uint256(cnt) * _value;
    require(_value > 0 && balances[msg.sender] >= amount);
    balances[msg.sender] = balances[msg.sender].sub(amount);
    for (uint i = 0; i < cnt; i++) {
        balances[_receivers[i]] = balances[_receivers[i]];
        Transfer(msg.sender, _receivers[i], _value);
    }
    return true;
}
```

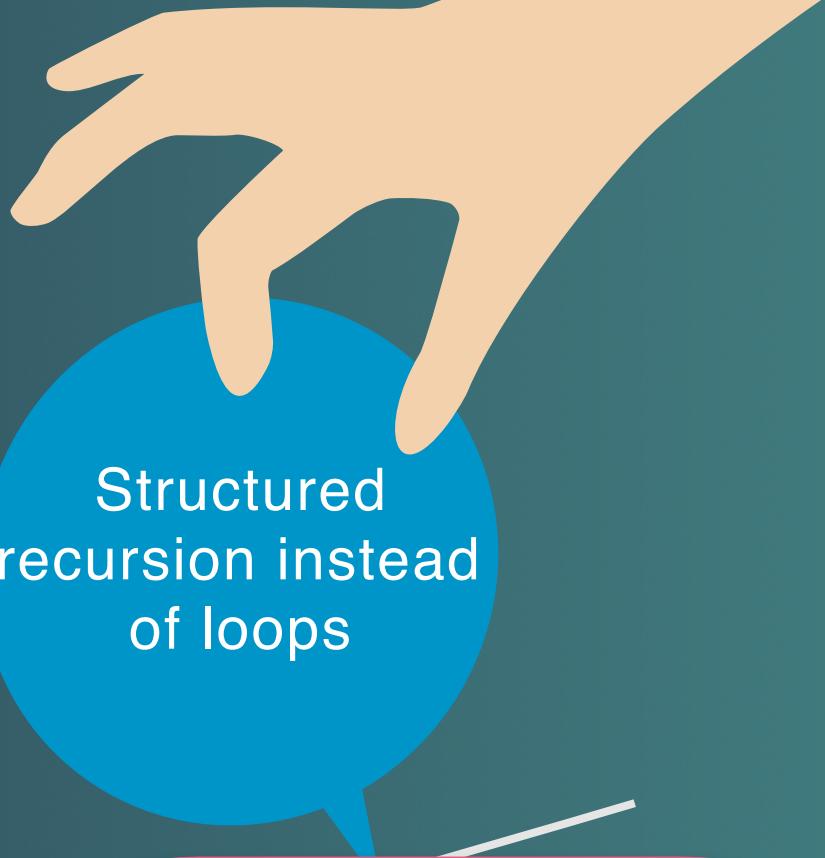
What if:

_value = 2^{255}
cnt = 2

amount = 0

Becomes possible to transfer
a large number of tokens

SECURITY FEATURES OF SCILLA



Clean separation between mutable and immutable params, libraries and stateful contracts

Handles arithmetic underflows and overflows

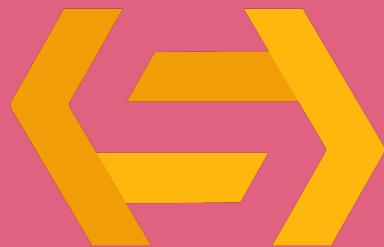
Structured recursion instead of loops

Each individual function terminates and hence easier resource analysis

No need for external safe math like libs

Prevents Parity like incidents

FORMAL VERIFICATION



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Coq

LEMMA 1: CONTRACT WILL HAVE ENOUGH FUNDS TO REFUND.

LEMMA 2: CONTRACT WILL NOT ALTER ITS CONTRIBUTION RECORDS.

LEMMA 3: EACH CONTRIBUTOR IS REFUNDED THE RIGHT AMOUNT.

THANK YOU!



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