

Introduction to Blockchain

DApp Academy

DAY 2

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Web3 JS API:

- Connecting from DAPP to Node
- Download setup Workbench DAPP (sample)
- Workbench implementation

https://docs.web3j.io/getting_started.html

<https://github.com/pipermerriam/web3.py>

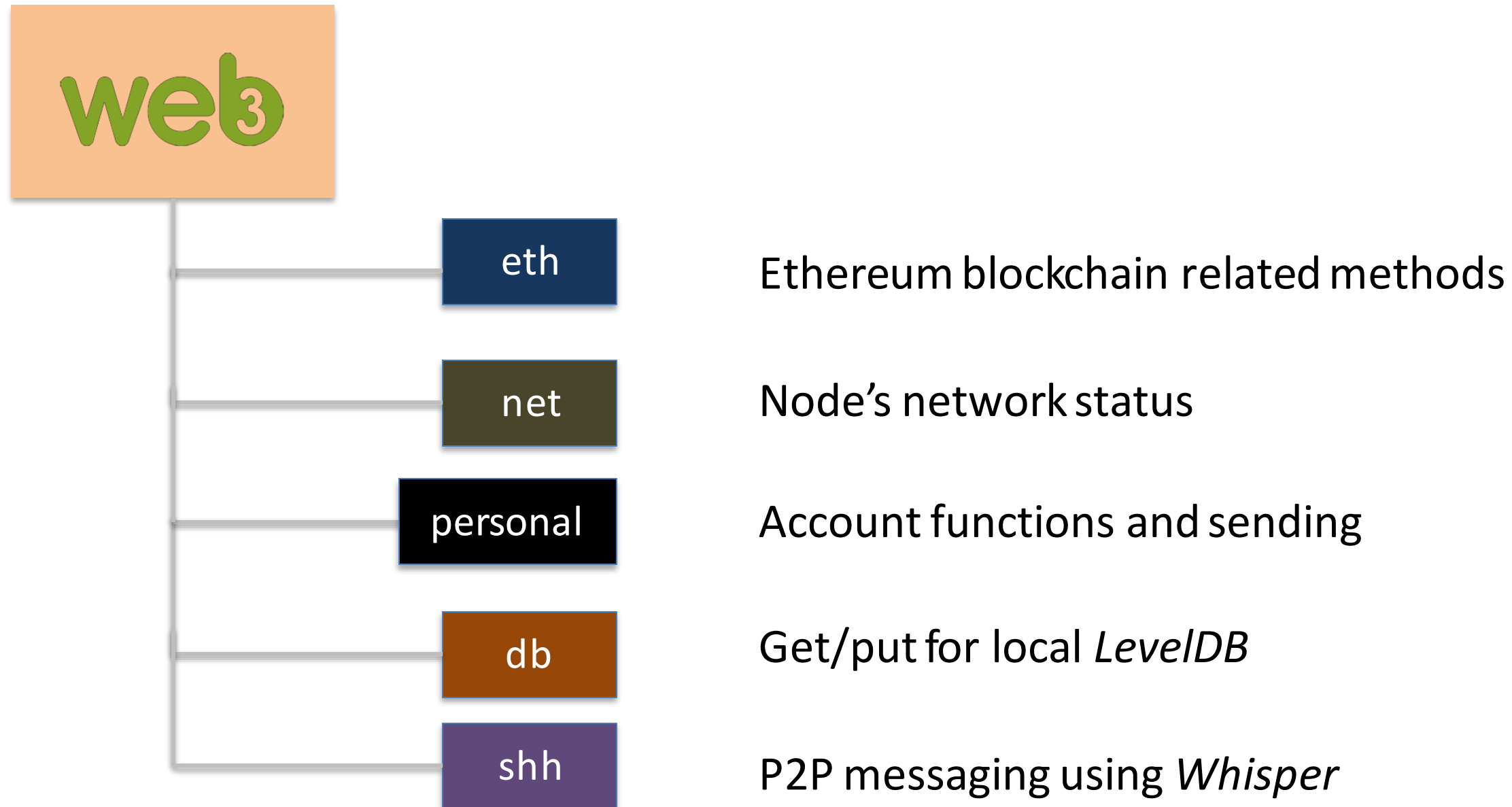
- Multiple libraries available for connecting to Ethereum



- Javascript cannot handle big number values correctly
- web3JS uses the *BigNumber* library
 - Even BigNumber cannot handle more than 20 floating points

Solution: Manage the balances in WEI

<https://github.com/MikeMcl/bignumber.js/>



- A number of API have Synchronous & Asynchronous flavor
- Asynchronous: *Error-First Callback*

```
web3.net.getPeerCount( function( error, result ) {  
  if(error){  
    setData('get_peer_count',error,true);  
  } else {  
    setData('get_peer_count','Peer Count: '+result,(result == 0));  
  }  
});
```

Install NodeJS Tools/Components

1

Install Yeoman



```
> npm install -g yo
```

Install Yeoman webapp template

```
> npm install -g generator-webapp
```

3

Install Gulp



```
> npm install -g gulp
```

4

Install Bower



```
> npm install -g bower
```

Setup Dapp

1

Create a folder for application

2

Create the application

> yo webapp

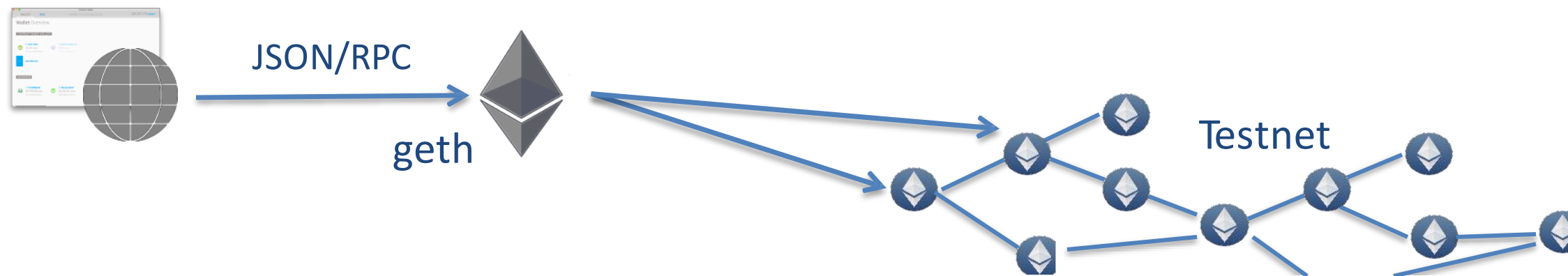
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Install web3 library

> bower install web3 --save

Web3 Sample App

- Single page application (HTML, Javascript)
 - Not using any Javascript framework + Minimal error handling
 - Minimalistic UI as Focus is on use of web3JS API
 - Developed against Ethereum client : *geth*



Workbench DAPP will work with:

- Local (or Remote) Ethereum node e.g., geth
- TestRPC
- MetaMask



Download & Setup Sample Application Locally

1. Download the application
2. Unpack the zip file in a directory

<https://github.com/abhishekover9000/web3-dapp-demo.git>

3. Run `> npm install`

4. Run `> gulp serve`

1. Checks if MetaMask has injected the web3 object
2. If web3 is not found then app tries to connect with local node

Enable CORS (Cross original resource sharing)

web store

You will need Google Chrome to install most apps, extensions and themes.
[Download Google Chrome](#)

Allow-Control-Allow-Origin: *

offered by vitvad

★★★★☆ (623) | [Developer Tools](#) | 363,696 users

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Allows to you request any site with ajax from any source. Adds to response 'Allow-Control-Allow-Origin: *' header

Developer tool.

Summary

AVAILABLE ON CHROME

Settings

Enable cross-origin resource sharing

Access-Control-Expose-Headers

comma-separated list of headers ...

Intercepted URLs or URL patterns

URL or URL pattern

+

://*

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App Structure

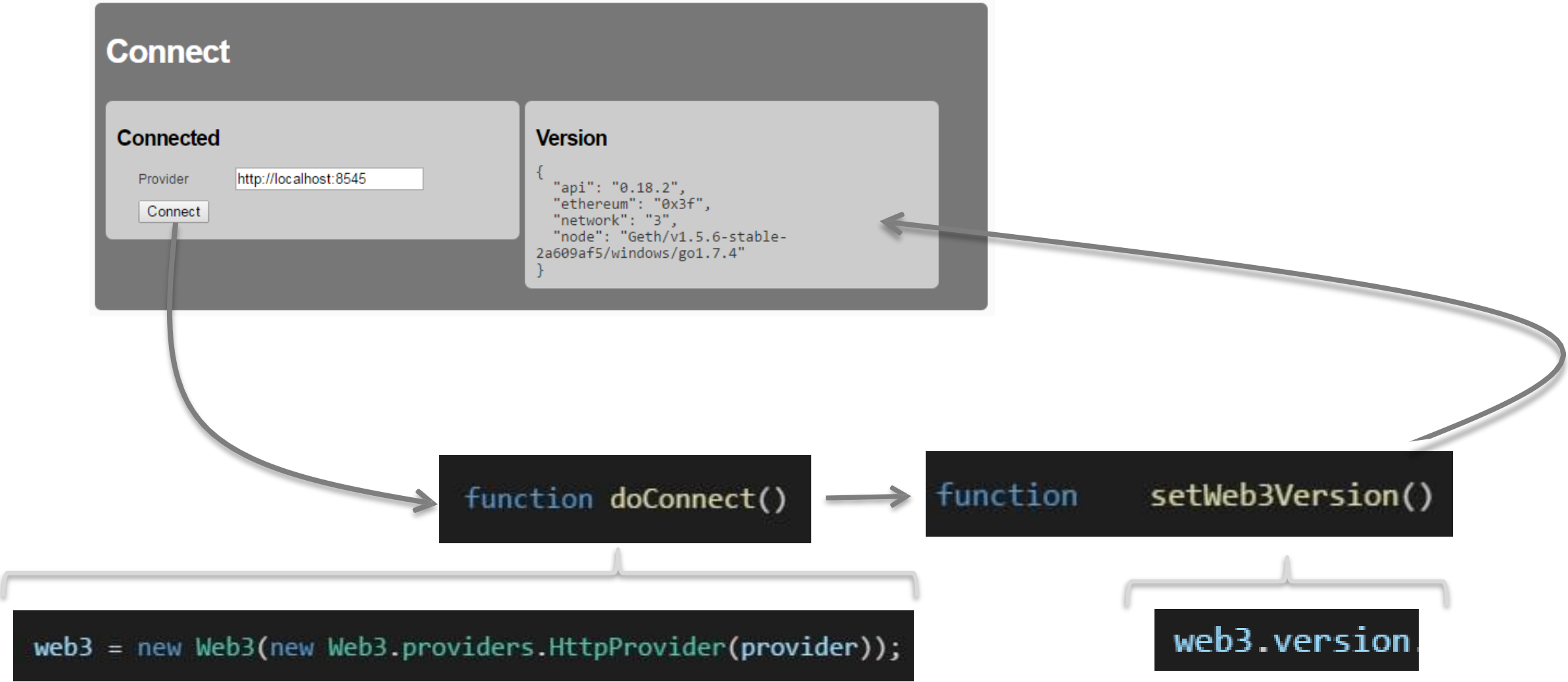
index.html

main.js

utils.js

- HTML UI Components
- All web3 JS API calls + some UI related code
- UI related utility functions

Connect & Version



- web3.net

listening / getListening

peerCount / getPeerCount

```
function doGetNodeStatus()
```

Connect

Setup

Connected

Provider

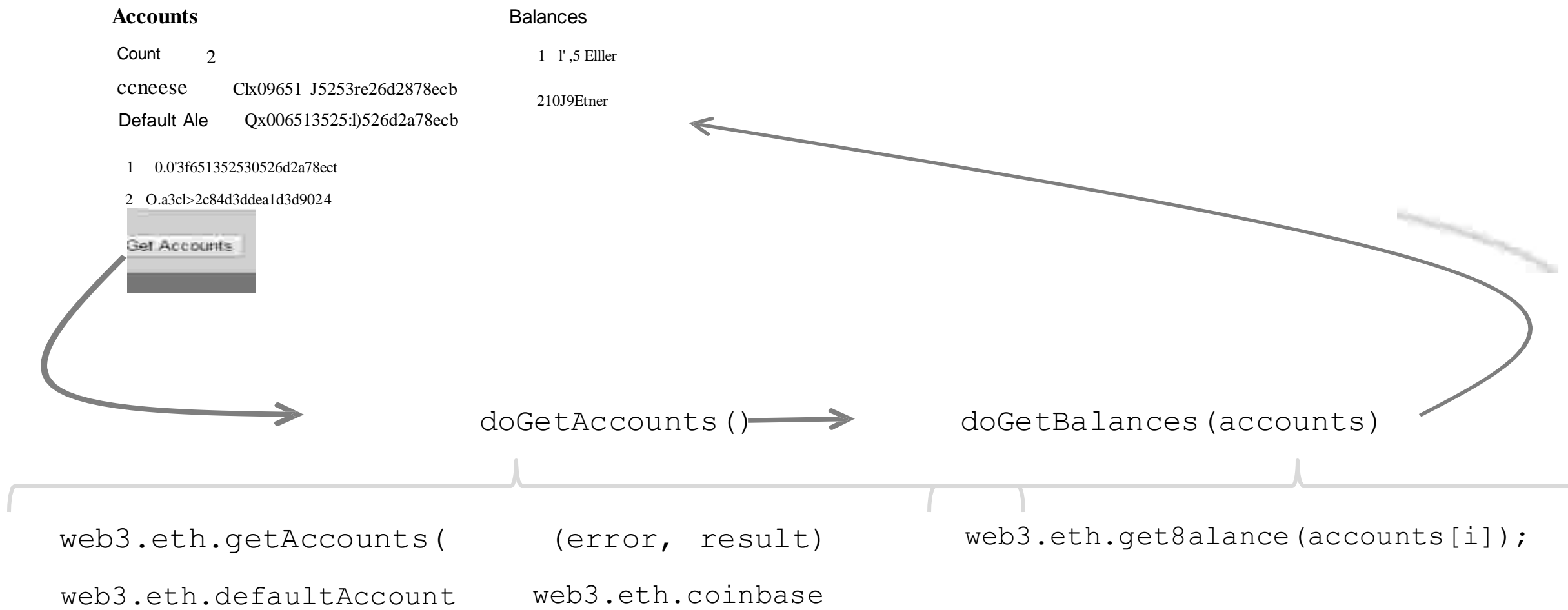
http://localhost:8545

Connect

Node Status

Peer Count: 6

Get Accounts & Balances



- Account for mining rewards
- Read only
- Cannot be set using web3 eth object

```
web3.miner.setEtherbase(web3.eth.accounts[1])
```

```
> geth --address coinbase_address
```

- Read/Write
- Used in these methods if from: not specified

web3.eth.sendTransaction()

web3.eth.call()

- May be undefined (*depending on implementation*)

```
var defaultAccount = web3.eth.defaultAccount;  
if(!defaultAccount){  
    web3.eth.defaultAccount = result[0];  
}
```

- Gets the balance for the account

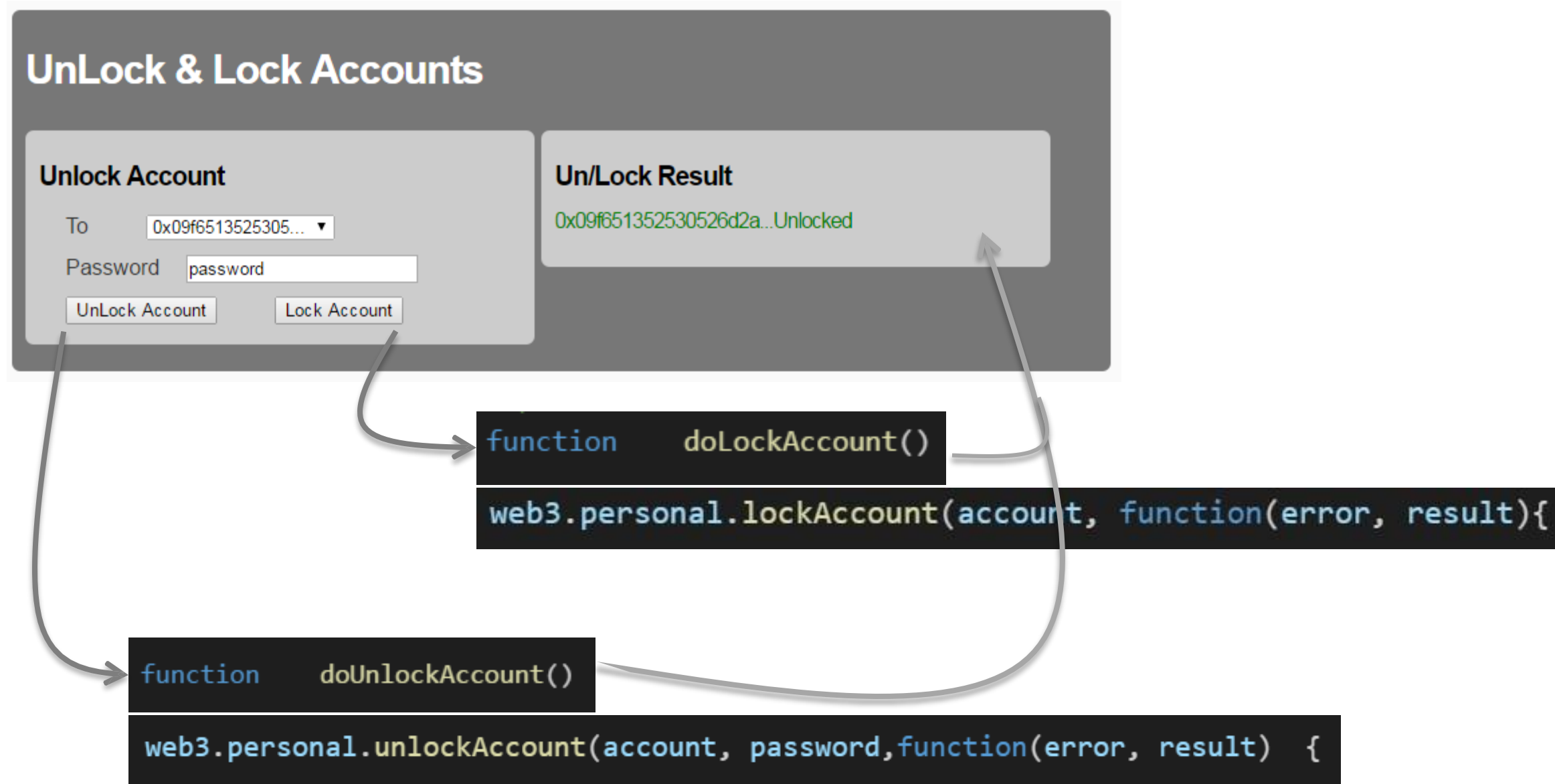
```
web3.eth.getBalance (address)
```

Result: Balance in *wei*

```
var balance_in_ethers = web3.fromWei(balance_in_wei, 'ether')
```

USE THE Asynchronous version as synchronous version NOT supported by MetaMask

Lock/Unlock Accounts



- Ensure that “personal” API is enabled for RPC

```
geth
--datadir "./data"
--rpc --rpcaddr "localhost" --rpcport "8545" --rpcapi "web3,eth,net,personal" --rpccorsdomain "*"
--solc "c:/Solidity/solc"
--testnet
```

- Unlock API

`web3.personal.unlockAccount(account, password, duration)`

`web3.personal.unlockAccount(account, password, callback_func)`

Success: `result = true`

Failure: `error = "Reason for failure"`

- Lock Account API

```
web3.personal.lockAccount(account)
```

```
web3.personal.lockAccount(account, callback_func)
```


Send Ethers

Send Ethers

Transaction Object

From

To

Value (Ether)

Gas

Gas Price

Data

Nonce

JSON

```
{  "from":    "0x09f651352530526d2a78ecb268ec7f0a60d1b219",  "to":      "0xa3db2c84d3ddea1d3d902411a6b708ca5648b4d6",  "value":    "1000000000000000000"}
```

Send

Result

0xc0420dcfef4933f2c7803eec9dea102d9ecf2a0c9100320d67a83c7

etherscan.io

`function doSendTransaction()`

```
web3.eth.sendTransaction(transactionObject, function(error, result) {
```

SendTransaction

```
web3.eth.sendTransaction(transactionObject, function(error, result) {
```

- Sending ethers
- Invoking contracts

Success: result = Transaction Hash

Failure: error

Transaction Object

If not specified then
web3.eth.defaultAccount

To Account

Value in Wei

Txn fee paid by originator
 $\text{Fee} = \text{gas} * \text{gasPrice}$

Data | Contract call
In Hex

Overwrite pending

Transaction Object

From

0x09f6513525305... ▼

To

0xa3db2c84d3dde... ▼

Value (Ether)

0.01

Gas

default

Gas Price (wei)

default

Data (ascii)

default

Nonce

default

JSON >>

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Web3 JS API:

- Contract Deployment

Contract deployment

- Deployment is recorded as a transaction on the chain/ledger
- Contract available after its been mined
- Deployment is not free
 - Originator of the deployment transaction pays
- Bytecode deployed to all nodes

```
var contract = web3.eth.contract(abiDefinition Array)
```

1. Deploying the contract code to EVM
2. Invoking a contract function
3. Watch for events from contract instance

Deployment using **new(...)**

- Synchronous

```
var contractInstance = contract.new ( Constructor_Param1, Constructor_Param2 .....,  
                                         { from: web3.eth.coinbase,  
                                           data: bytecode,  
                                           gas: gas  } )
```

- `contractInstance.transactionHash` << Transaction created
- `contractInstance.address` << Filled after the txn is mined

- Asynchronous

```
contract.new ( Constructor_Param1, Constructor_Param2 ...,  
              { from: web3.eth.coinbase,  
                data: bytecode,  
                gas: gas },  
              Callback(error, result){....} )
```

- Callback function gets called 2 times in case of success
 - Result = Transaction Hash
 - Result = Contract Instance Address

Deployment using sendTransaction

```
var conData = contract.new.getData( Constructor_Param1, Constructor_Param2 .....,  
                                     { data: bytecode } )
```

```
Transacti  
{  
  "from": "26d2a78ecb268ec7f0a60d1b219",  
  .....,  
  "data":   
}
```

```
web3.eth.sendTransaction(transactionObject, function(error, result) {
```

```
web3.eth.getTransactionReceipt(transactionHash, function(error, result){
```

Contract Address}

Deploy Contract

Compile & Deploy Contracts

Compile

Solidity

Compile Code

```
pragma solidity ^0.4.6;
contract MyContract {
    uint num;
    event NumberSetEvent(address indexed caller, uint oldNum, uint newNum);
    function getNum() constant
```

Result

Contract#1: MyContract

Bytecode

```
0x6060604052341561000c57fe5b604051602080
61011f83398101604052515b60008190555b505b
60eb906100346000396000f300606060405263ff
```

ABI Definitions

```
[{"constant":true,"inputs":
[],"name":"getNum","outputs":
[{"name":"n","type":"uint256"}],"payable
```

Deploy

Gas (Wei) 4700000

Deploy Contract

Result

Transaction Hash

0xdd9b929b078d654e15461488bd3f2a68391dfb779170b2c90eb75f

[etherscan.io](#)

Contract Address

0x92fe0c7055e8d5c735aab4a1c4eb1e39781ea7b7

[etherscan.io](#)

```
contract.new(constructor_param,params,function(error,result){
    // CALLBACK Gets called 2 time
});
```

#1 result >> Transaction Hash

#2 result >> Contract Address

```
function doDeployContract()
```

Deployment Cost

Deploy

Gas (Wei)

Deploy Contract

Result

Transaction Hash

Deployment Failed: Error: The contract code couldn't be stored, please check your gas amount.

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Contract Address

#1 result >> Transaction Hash

#2 **Error**



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Transaction 0xecdd96bd9e7e2953544a477f3b8c44642a6fec7829859beb2e58fcf5e22

Overview

Transaction Information

TxHash:	0xecdd96bd9e7e2953544a477f3b8c44642a6fec7829859beb2e58fcf5e22cf522
Block Height:	473165 (4 block confirmations)
TimeStamp :	1 min ago (Feb-04-2017 05:58:58 PM +UTC)
From:	0x09f651352530526d2a78ecb268ec7f0a60d1b219
To:	[Contract 0xc06627f6918055e1b298dc203a5a71fd0a519d1 Created]   Warning! Error encountered during contract execution [Out of gas] 
Value:	0 Ether (\$0.00)

Deploy Contract

Compile & Deploy Contracts

Compile

Solidity

Compile Code

```
pragma solidity ^0.4.6;
contract MyContract {

    uint    num;

    event NumberSetEvent(address
indexed caller, uint oldNum, uint newNum);

    function getNum() constant
```

Result

Contract#1: MyContract

Bytecode

```
0x6060604052341561000c57fe5b604051602080
61011f83398101604052515b60008190555b505b
60eb806100346000396000f300606060405263ff
```

ABI Definitions

```
[{"constant":true,"inputs":
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```

Deploy

Gas (Wei)

Deploy Contract

Result

Transaction Hash

[0xdd9b929b078d654e15461488bd3f2a68391dfb779170b2c90eb75k](#)

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Contract Address

[0x92fe0c7055e8d5c735aab4a1c4eb1e39781ea7b7](#)

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Bytecode (Data) deployed on chain

Needed by the caller of functions

Transaction on the chain

Address of contract

1. ABI Definition

```
var contract = web3.eth.contract(abiDefinition)
```

2. Address of the contract

```
var contractInstance = contract.at(address)
```

Web3 JS API:

- Call()
- sendTransaction()

1. Call(...)

Cost of Call = 0 ETH

contractInstance.Method.call(...)

2. sendTransaction(...)

Cost of Send = Gas paid by caller

contractInstance.Method.sendTransaction(...)

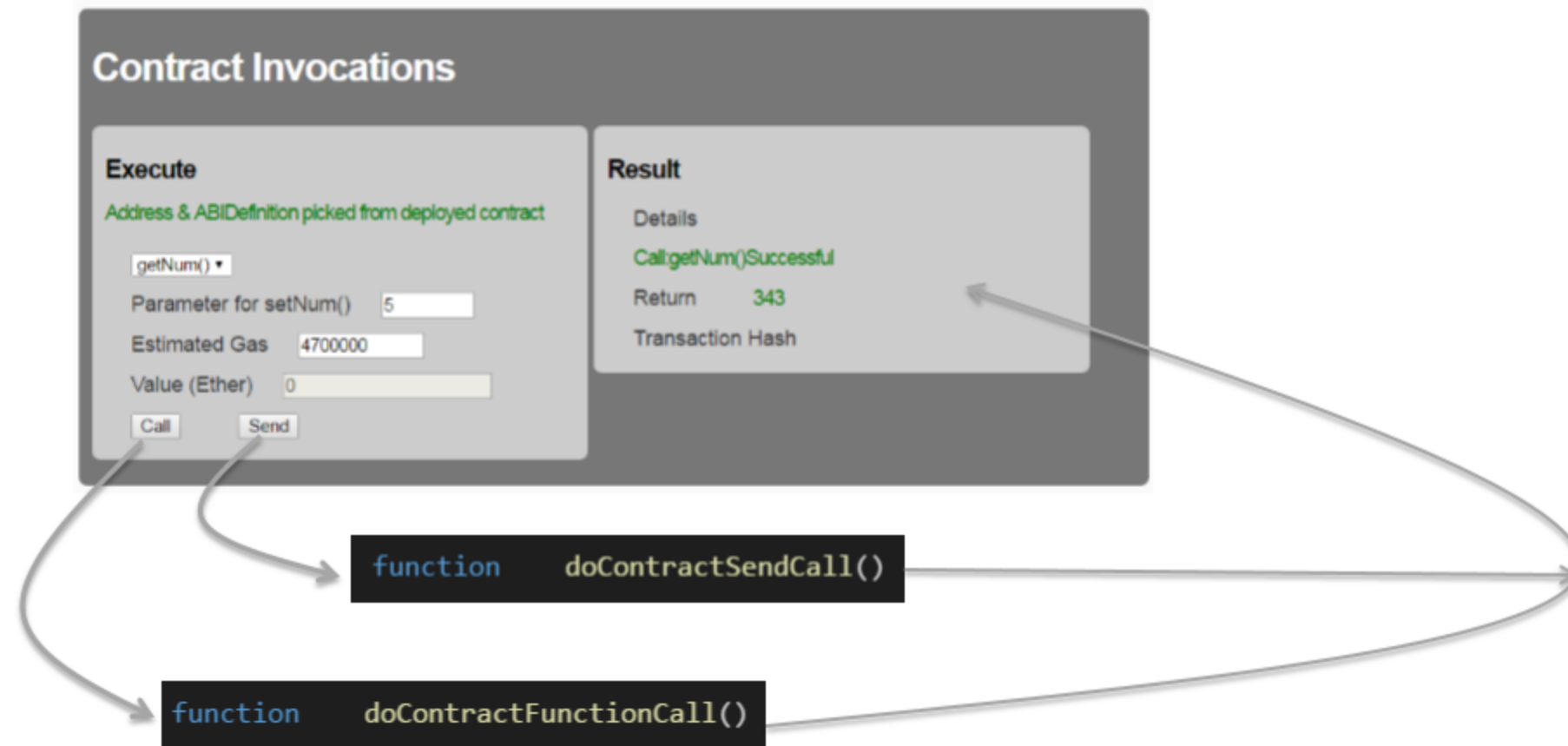
Method.call(...)

- Executed **locally** on the node
- Value= Return value from function
- No **state changes** in contract
- **0** execution fee


Method.sendTransaction(...)

- Executed on **miner** nodes
- Value= **Transaction hash**
- **State changes** in contracts
- Gas **paid** by caller

Call() & sendTransaction()



*Var conData = contractInstance.**Method**.getData(param1, param2 ...)*



```
Transacti
{
  "from": 526d2a78ecb268ec7f0a60d1b219",
  .....,
  "data"
}
```

*var result = web3.eth.call(**transaction_object**, [default block], [callback])*

*var result = web3.eth.sendTransaction(**transaction_object**...)*

call()

From: is optional

var result = web3.eth.call(transaction_object, [default block], [callback])

“latest ” by
default

*var result = contractInstance.Method.call(params,...,
[transaction_object],
[default block],
[callback])*

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contract MyContract {

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    event NumberSetEvent(address indexed caller, uint oldNum, uint newNum);

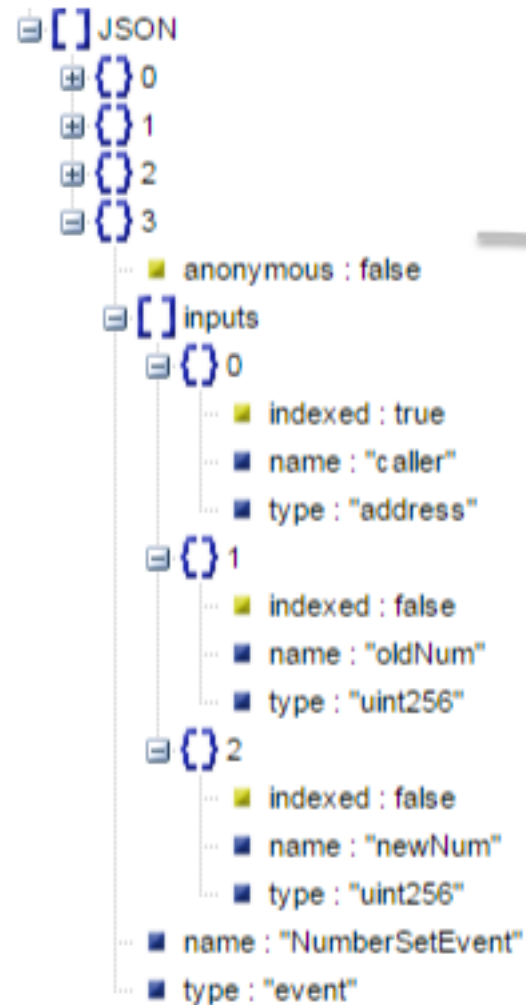
    function getNum() constant returns (uint n) {return num;}

    function setNum(uint n) {
        uint old = num;
        num=n;
        NumberSetEvent(msg.sender,old,num);
    }

    function MyContract(uint x){num=x;}
}
```

Contract Events

Contracts may emit events



```
pragma solidity ^0.4.6;
contract MyContract {

    uint    num;

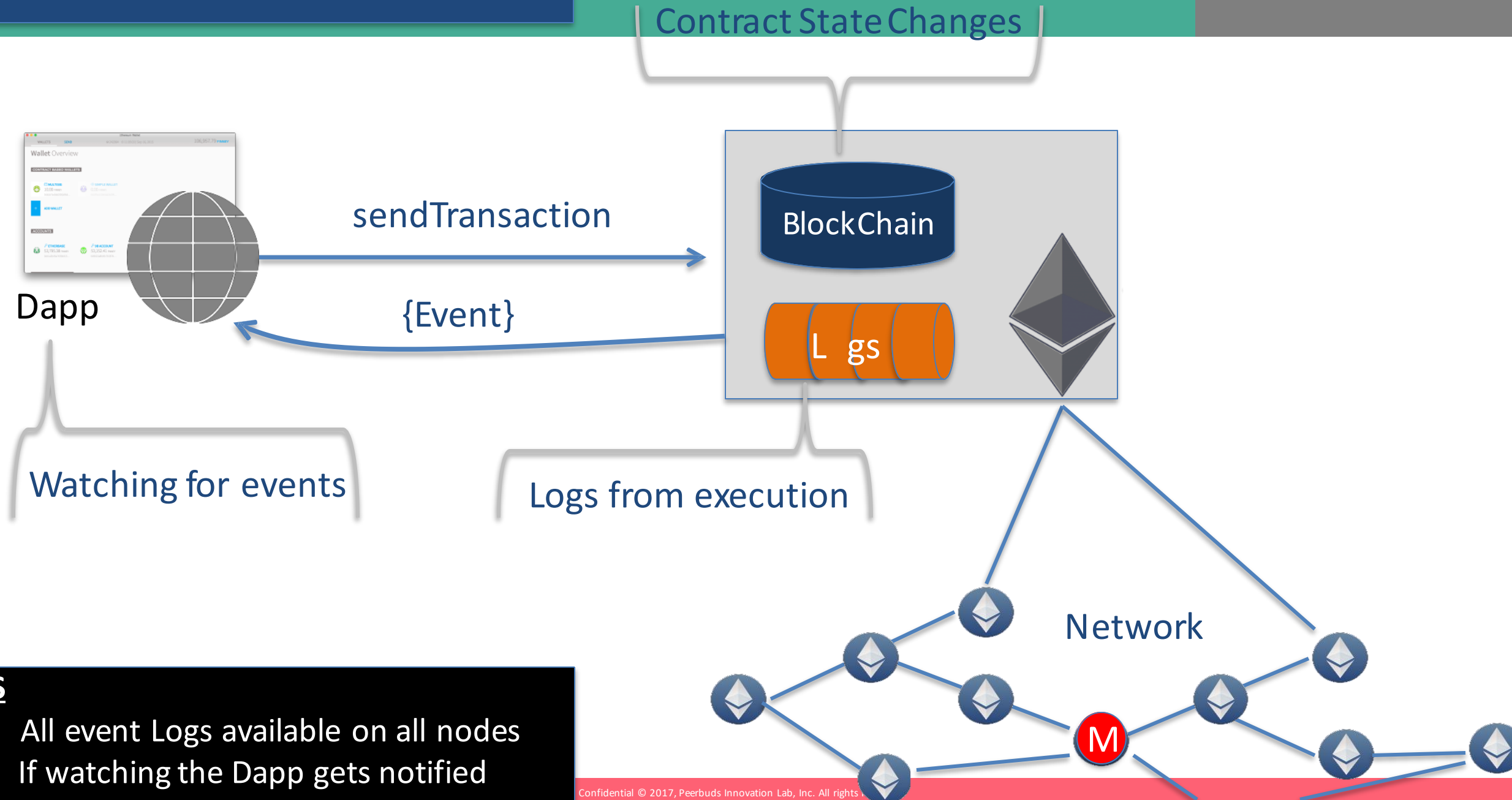
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```

Ethereum Logs & Events



Web3 JS API:

- Logs
- Events

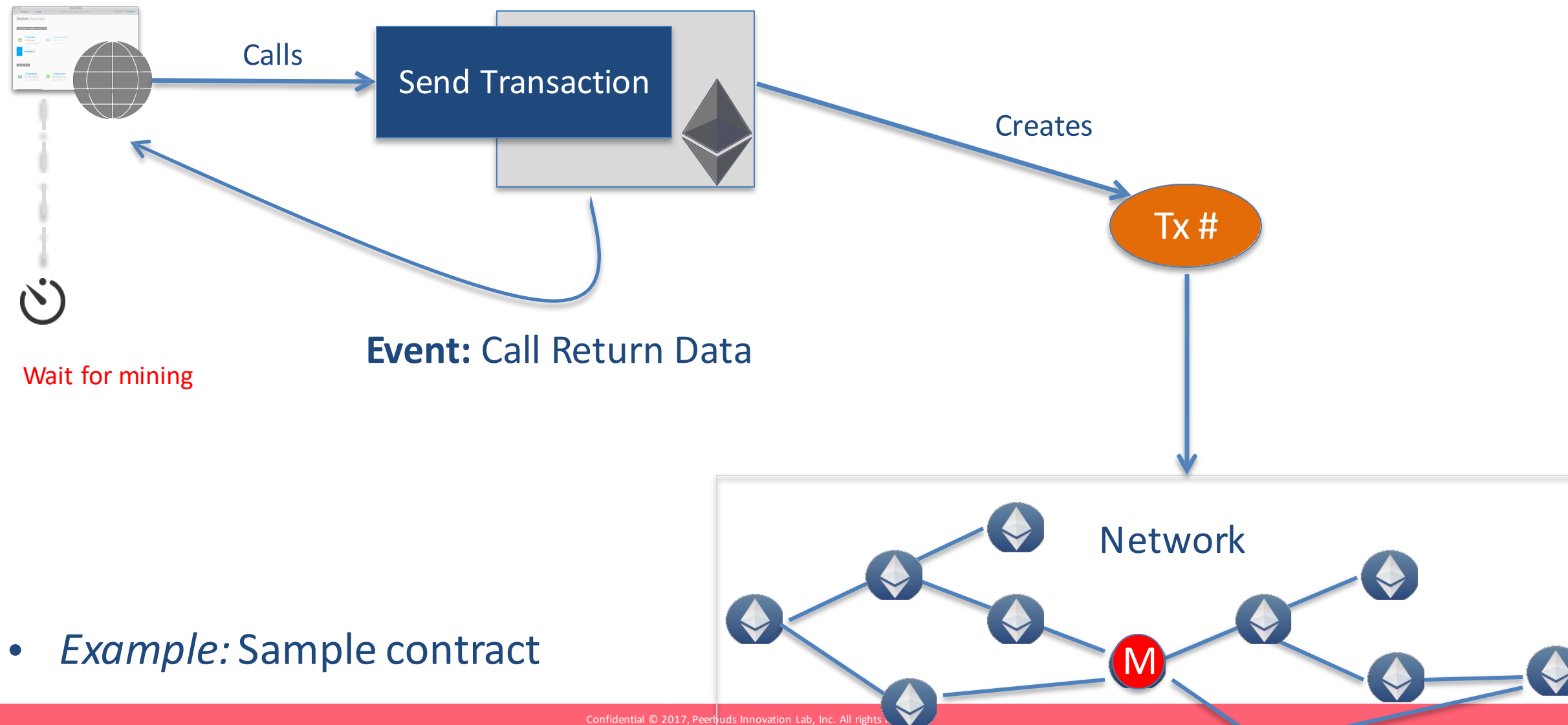
1. Receive data for transaction
2. Asynchronous trigger
3. Cheap data storage

1. Receives data for transaction

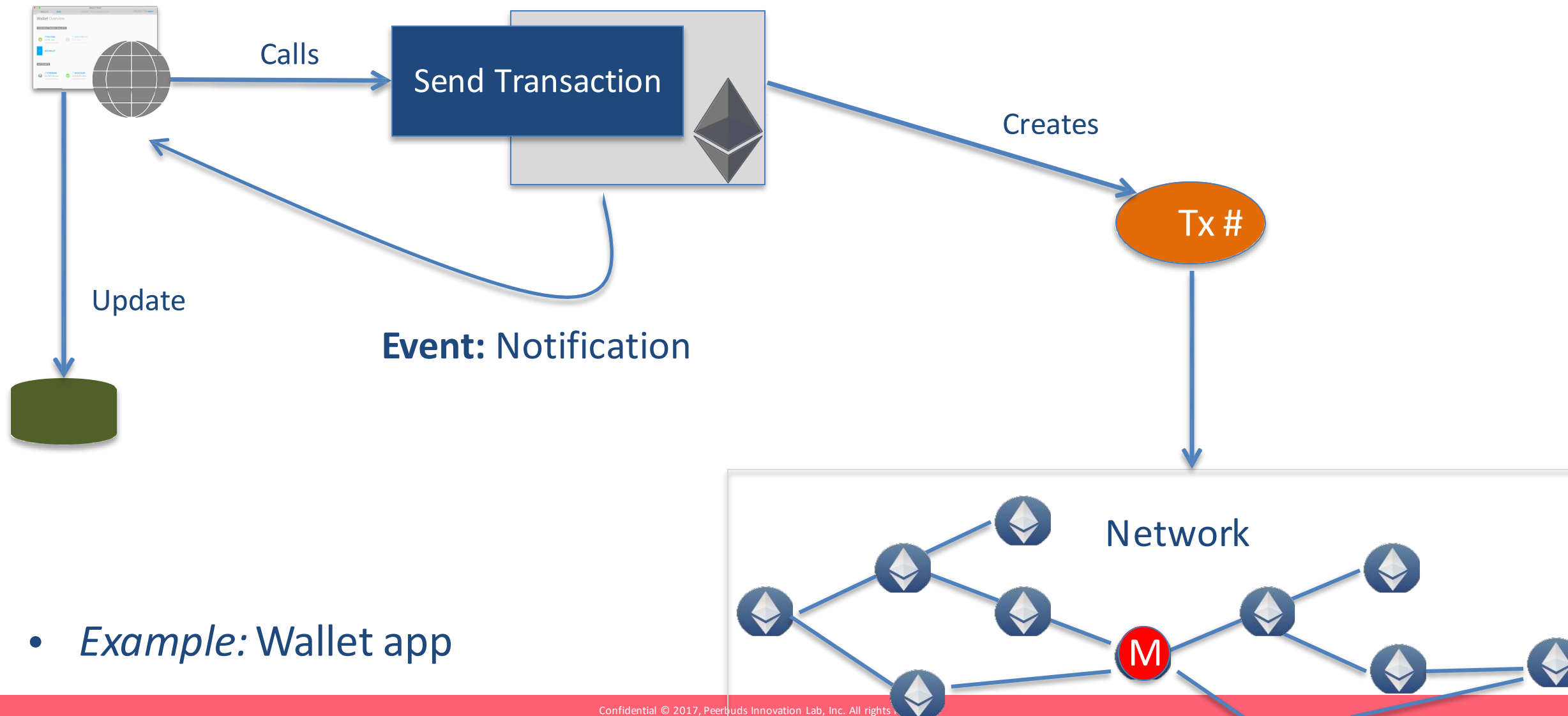
```
instance.setNum.sendTransaction(parameterValue,txnObject,function(error, result)
```

- Call returns a transaction hash and not a return value
 - Method execution result is not available till transaction is mined
 - Contract (methods) may return data using **events**

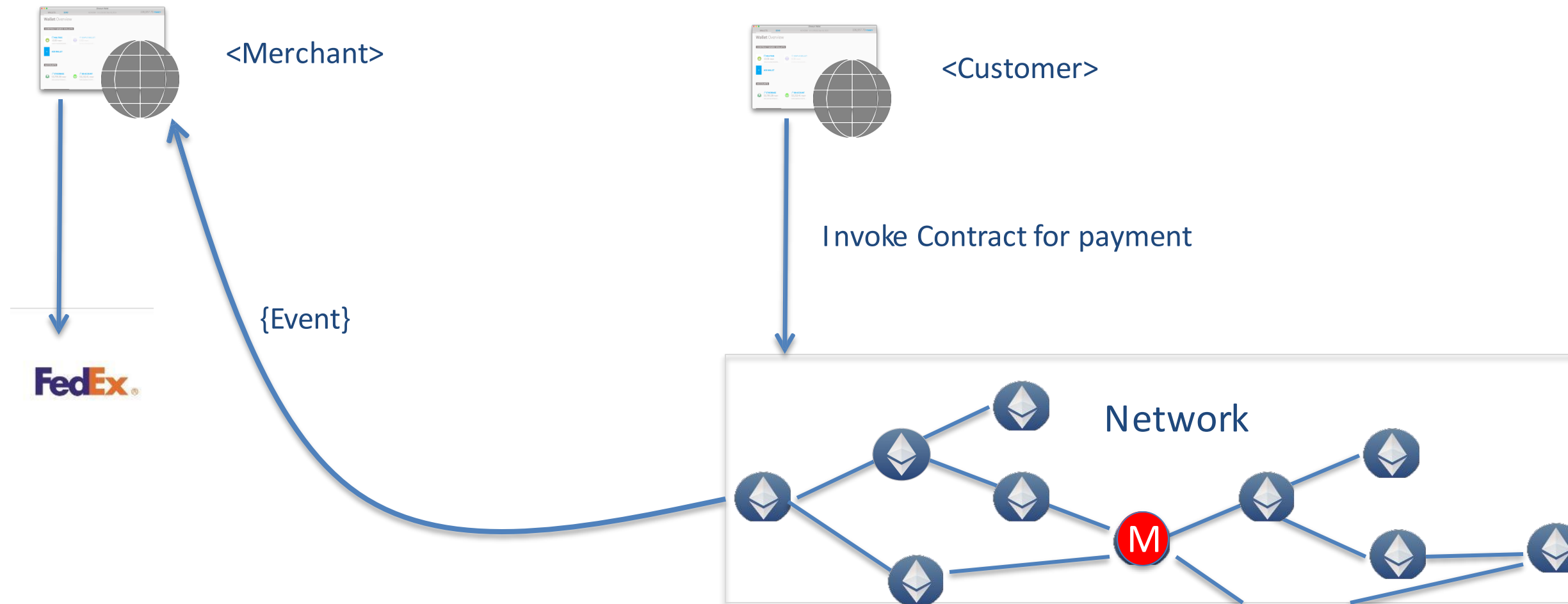
1. Receives data for transaction



2. Asynchronous Notifications



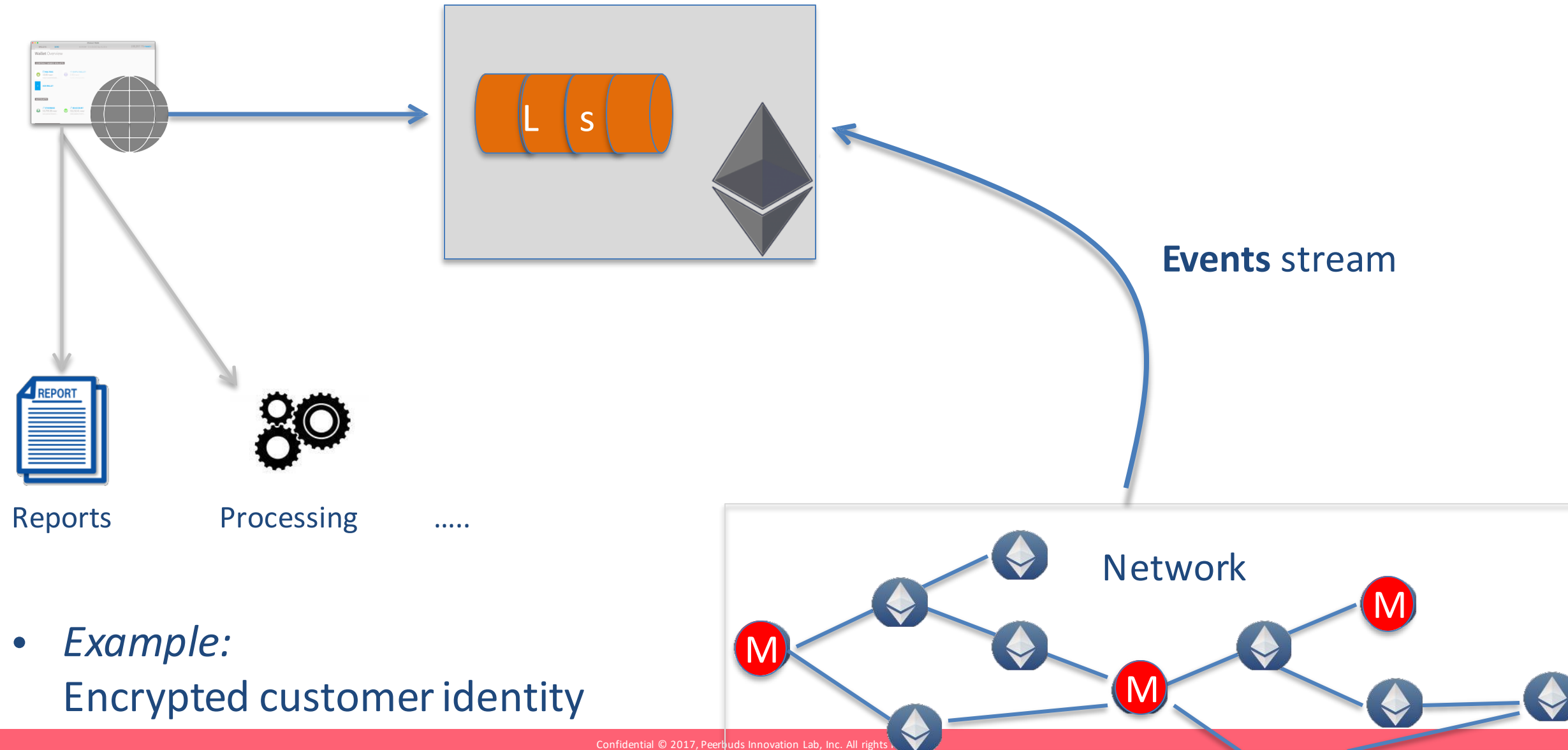
2. Asynchronous Notifications



2. Asynchronous processing

- Front end (Dapp) can **watch** for events of interest
 - Example: Wallet app receives notification on receiving ethers
 - Example: Multisig contract shows transactions waiting for approval

3. Data storage



3. Data storage

- Cheaper than contract storage
 - Log data storage cost 8 Gas/byte
 - Contract data storage cost 20,000 Gas/32-byte
- Logs are **NOT** accessible from contracts

- Watch
 - Listens for incoming events
- Get
 - Gets the log data

2 ways to watch & get

1. Using the Filter API
2. Using the contract instance

Using Filter

```
var filter = web3.eth.filter(...)
```

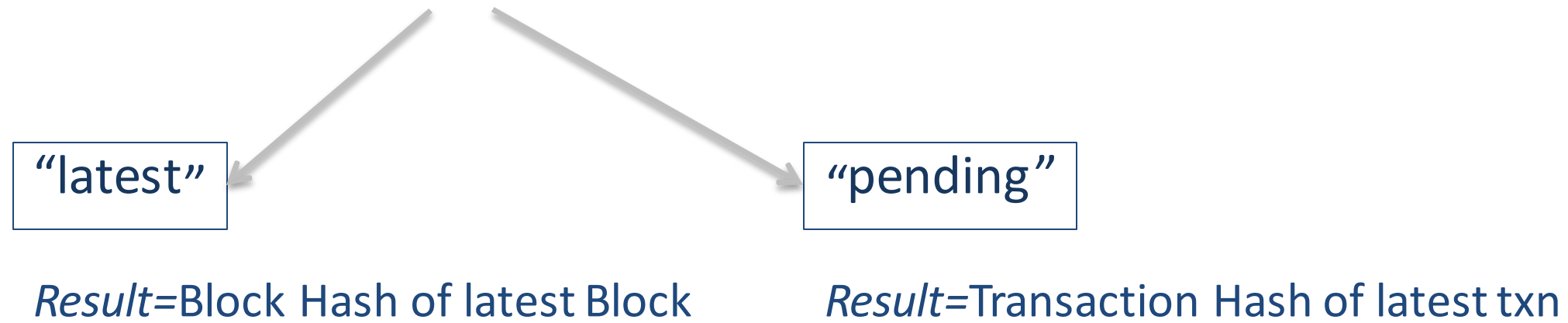
- Argument = events selection criteria

`filter.watch(...)`

`filter.stopWatching()`

`filter.get(...)`

1. *web3.eth.filter(string)*



2. *web3.eth.filter(options_object)*

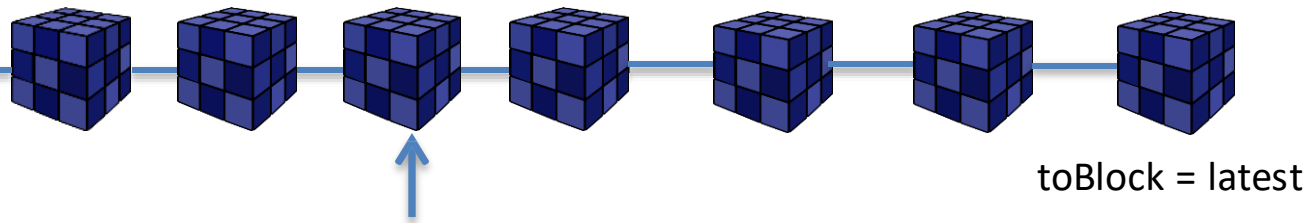
- Block range *fromBlock, toBlock*
- Specific contract instance *[address]*
- Event data
 - Data in the log fields *topic: ['event-signature', 'data1', 'data2', 'data3']*
 - Fields marked *indexed* used in topics
 - Maximum of 3 indexed fields & order is important

Options JSON

Get events starting from block# 569000

- For get() ; get events from 569000 to the current block
- For watch() continue to receive events for all blocks

```
1 {  
2   "fromBlock": "569000",  
3   "toBlock": "latest",  
4   "address": [  
5     "0x2Ccdf546E66C48454c67fD09707dDb49ed8bc989"  
6   ],  
7   "topics": [  
8     "0x108fd0bf2253f6baf35f111ba80fb5369c2e004b88e36ac8486fcee0c87e61ce",  
9     null,  
10    null,  
11    "0x0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000005"  
12  ]  
13 }
```



#569000

Options JSON

Array of contract addresses

```
1 {  
2   "fromBlock": "569000",  
3   "toBlock": "latest",  
4   "address": [  
5     "0x2Ccdf546E66C48454c67fD09707dDb49ed8bc989"  
6   ],  
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12  ]  
13 }
```

Options JSON

topics = event data criteria

topics[0] = Event Signature

```
1 {  
2   "fromBlock": "569000",  
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Options JSON

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10    null,  
11    "0x0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000005"  
12  ]  
13 }
```

event NumberSetEvent(address indexed caller, bytes32 indexed oldNum, bytes32 indexed newNum);

setNum(5) {Event Received}

setNum(6) {NO Event Received}

- filter.**get**(callback_func)
 - Result : Array of events
- filter.**watch**(callback_func)
 - Result : event data

Walkthrough

Filter

From Block

To Block

Contract Addresses (newline separated)

0x2Ccdf546E66C48454c67fD09707dDb49ed8bc989

Topics

[0=event sig,1=addr,2 & 3=32byteHex]

0x108fd0bf2253f6baf35f111ba80fb5369c2e004b88e36ac8486fcee0c87e61ce

null

null

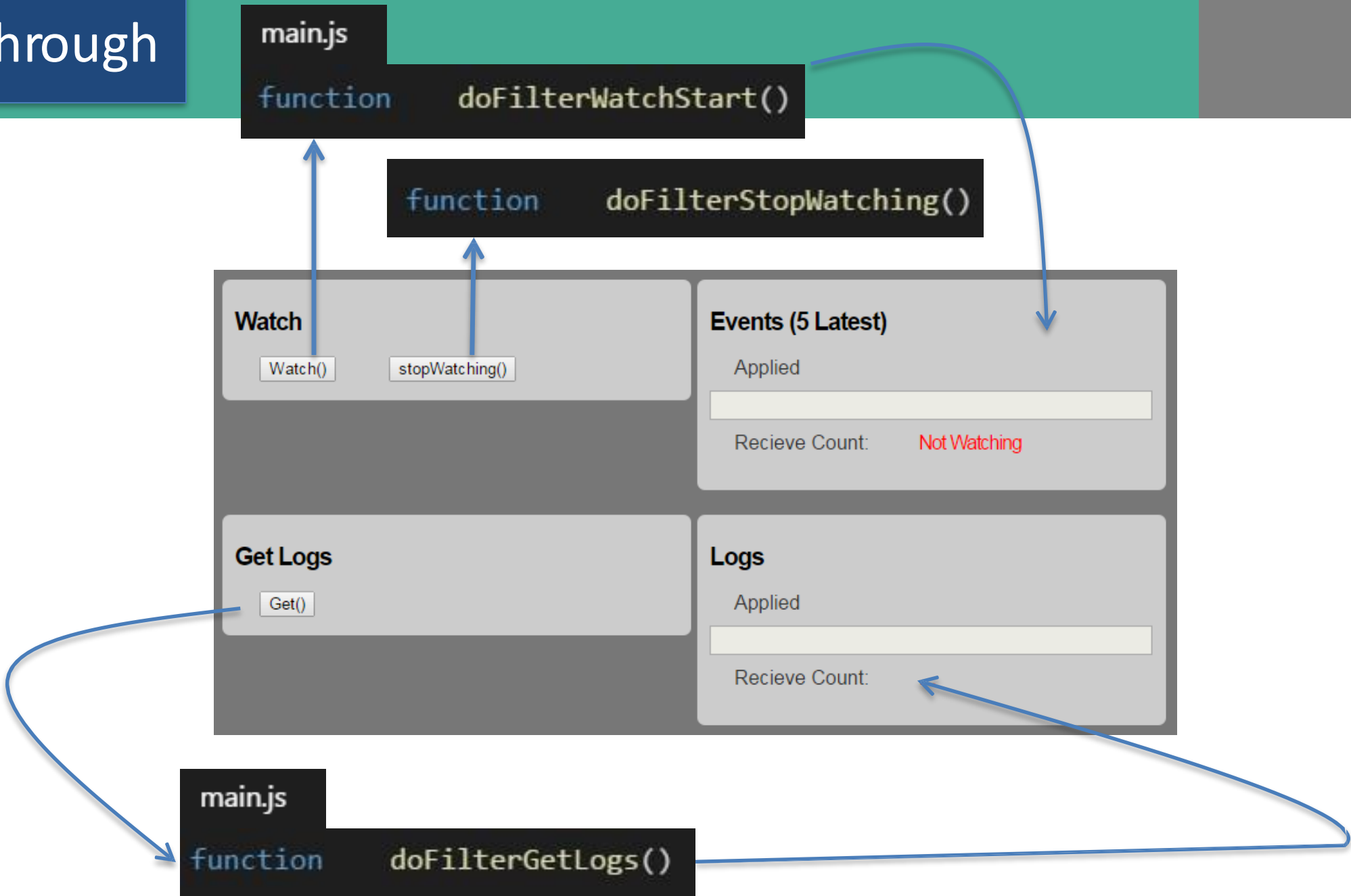
Options >>

Options

```
{
  "fromBlock": "latest",
  "address": [
    "0x2Ccdf546E66C48454c67fD09707dDb49ed8bc989"
  ],
  "topics": [
    "0x108fd0bf2253f6baf35f111ba80fb5369c2e004b88e36ac8486fcee0c87e61ce",
    null,
    null,
    "0x0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000"
  ]
}
```

```
utils.js
function generateFilterOptions()
```

Walkthrough



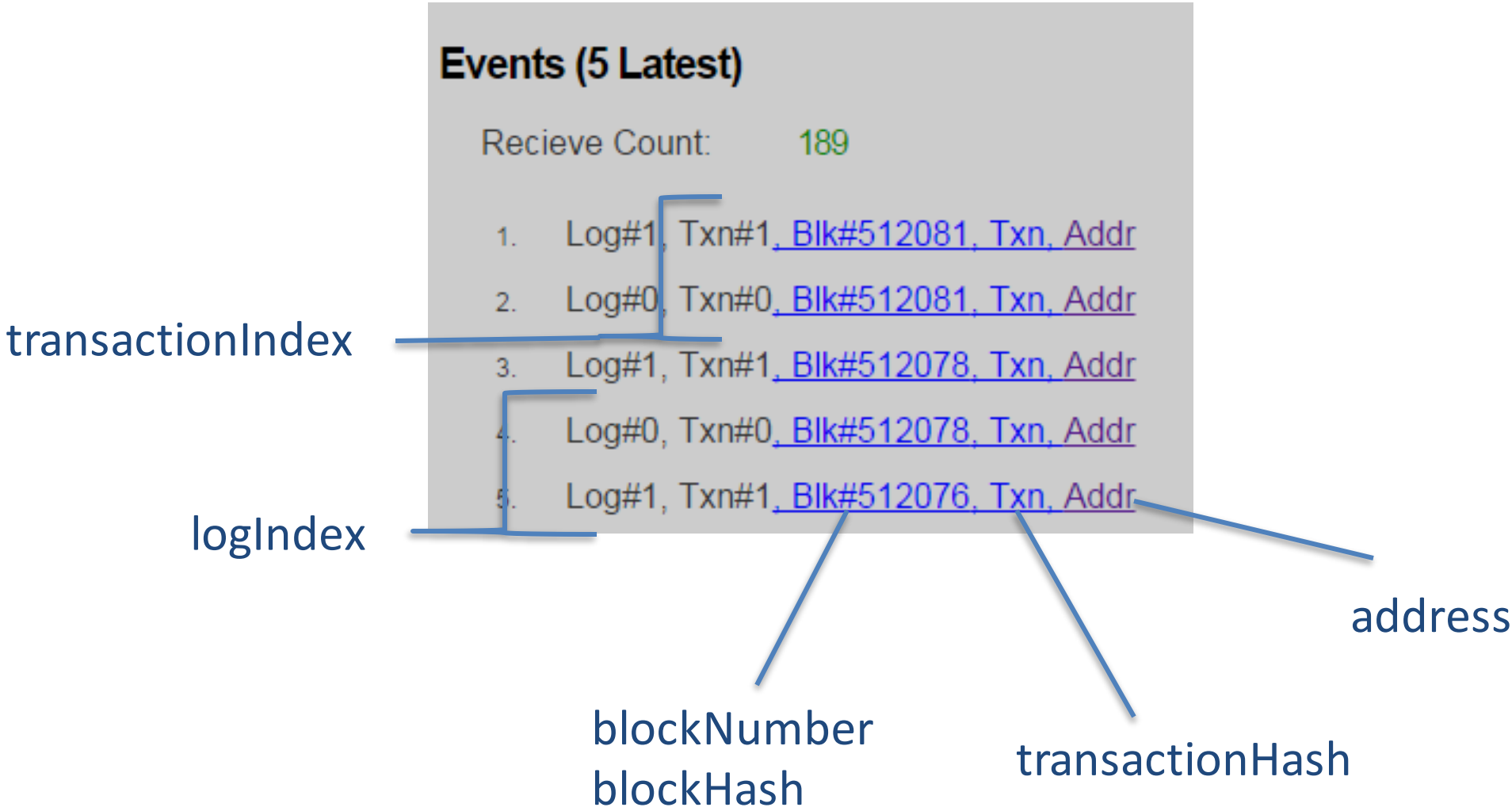
2. web3.eth.filter(options)

web3.eth.filter(options) for events

The diagram shows a 'Filter' form with four input fields. Blue lines connect each field to a label on the right:

- From Block** (input: latest) → *fromBlock*: by default 'latest' ; number or hash
- To Block** (input: 512150) → *toBlock*: leave blank for continuous watching
- Addresses (Separated by new lines)** (empty input) → *address*: Contract Address(es)
- Topics (3-Separated by new lines))** (empty input) → *topic*: Indexed topic data

Events received in real time



web3.eth.filter(options) for events

Options

```
{  
  "fromBlock": "510000",  
  "address": [  
    "0x15fa74080C6F99Ef298AE0954F9e3B33ed06D4Dd"  
  ]  
}
```

Array of logs

Logs

Recieve Count: 2

1. Log#0, Txn#0, [Blk#514748](#), Txn, Addr
2. Log#0, Txn#0, [Blk#511239](#), Txn, Addr

- Watch for events => installs the filter on node
 - *watch()* callback receives events based on the filter
 - *stopWatching()* for events; removes the filter on node
- Read the past logs
 - *get()*

```
var contract = web3.eth.contract(abiDefinition Array)
```

1. Deploying the contract code to EVM

```
var contractInstance = contract.at(contract_address)
```

2. Invoking a contract function

3. Watch for events & Get events data from *Log*

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• name "new!lurn"

• type "uS't2S6"

• name "NumberSetf.◆en

• IYI)e "eoc.◆"

```
1 pragma solidity ^0.4.6;
2 contract MyContract {
3
4     uint num;
5
6     event NumberSetEvent(address indexed caller, bytes32 indexed oldNum, bytes32 indexed newNum);
7
8     function getNum() returns (uint n) {
9         return num;
10    }
11
12    function setNum(uint n) {
13        uint old = num;
14        num = n;
15        NumberSetEvent(msg.sender, bytes32(old), bytes32(num));
16    }
17
18    function MyContract(uint x){num=x;}
19 }
```

Event Filtering

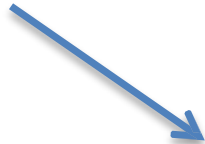
additionalOptions

```
1 {  
2   "fromBlock": "569000",  
3   "toBlock": "latest",  
4   "address": [  
5     "0x2Ccdf546E66C48454c67fD09707dDb49ed8bc989"  
6   ],  
7   "topics": [  
8     "0x108fd0bf2253f6baf35f111ba80fb5369c2e004b88e36ac8486fcee0c87e61ce",  
9     null,  
10    null,  
11    "0x0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000005"  
12  ]  
13 }
```

Indexed or topics options


Contract Event

```
var contractEvent =  
  contractInstance.allEvent(additionalOptions)
```



```
{  
  fromBlock: "570470",  
  toBlock: "latest"  
}
```

```
var contractEvent =  
  contractInstance.NumberSetEvent(indexedOptions, additionalOptions)
```



```
{  
  newNum: "0x0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000005"  
}
```

1. `contractEvent.get(callback_function)`
 - Result : Array of events
2. `contractEvent.watch(callback_function)`
 - Result : Event data
3. `contractEvent.stopWatching()`

Filter : get/watch

- All events from any source
- May be used for writing tools etc
- Indexed data in options/topics array

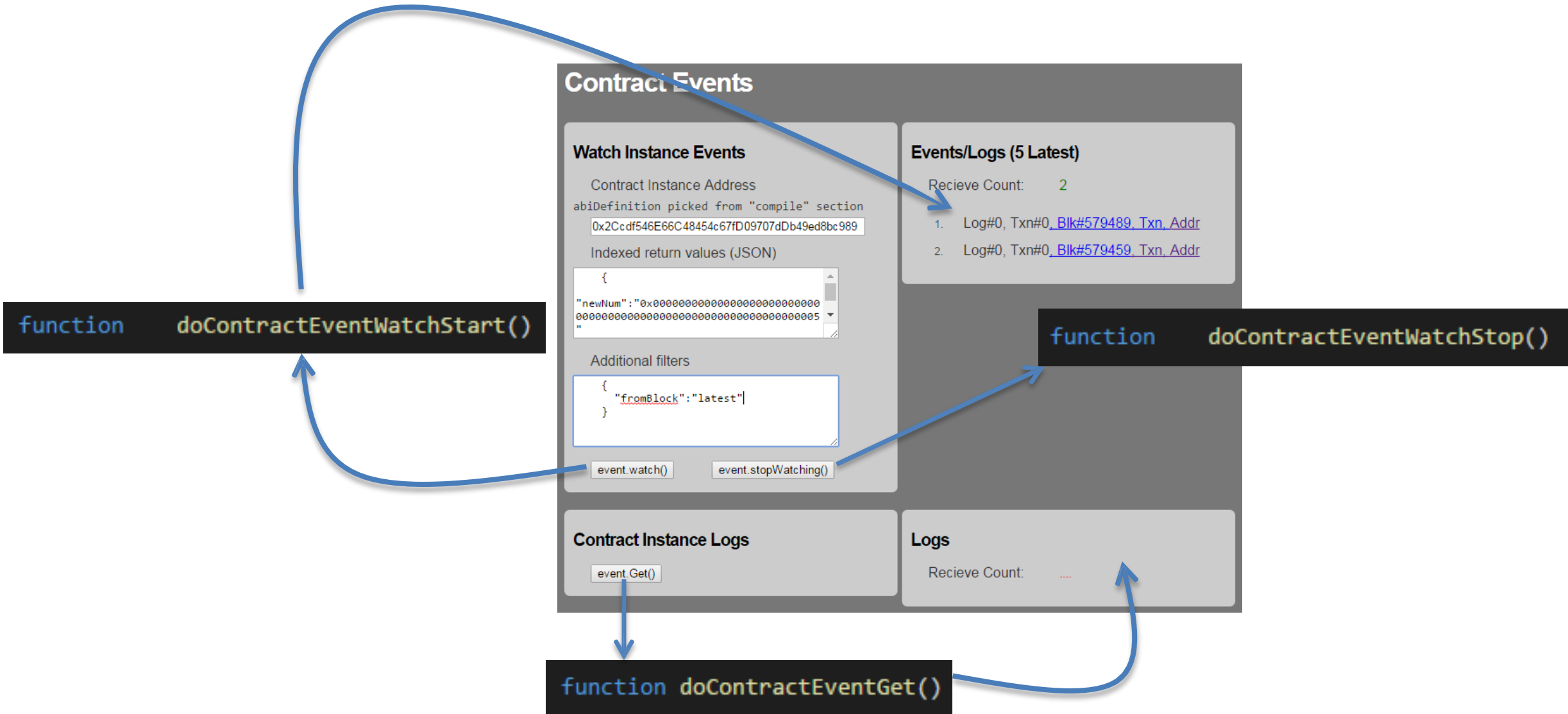
Event : get/watch

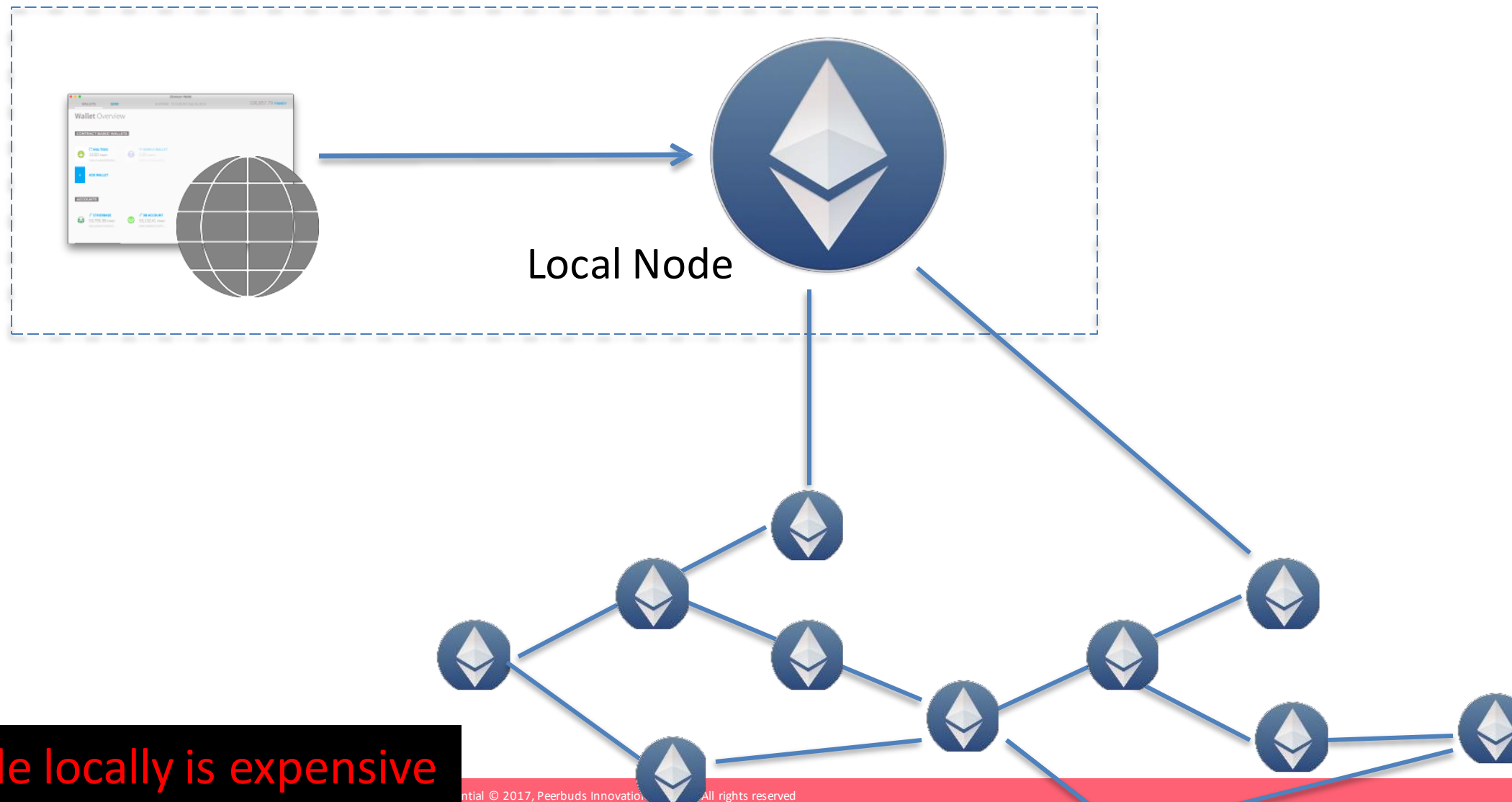
- Events from specific contract instance
- For Dapp only
- Indexed/Topic data is a JSON object

Web3 JS API:

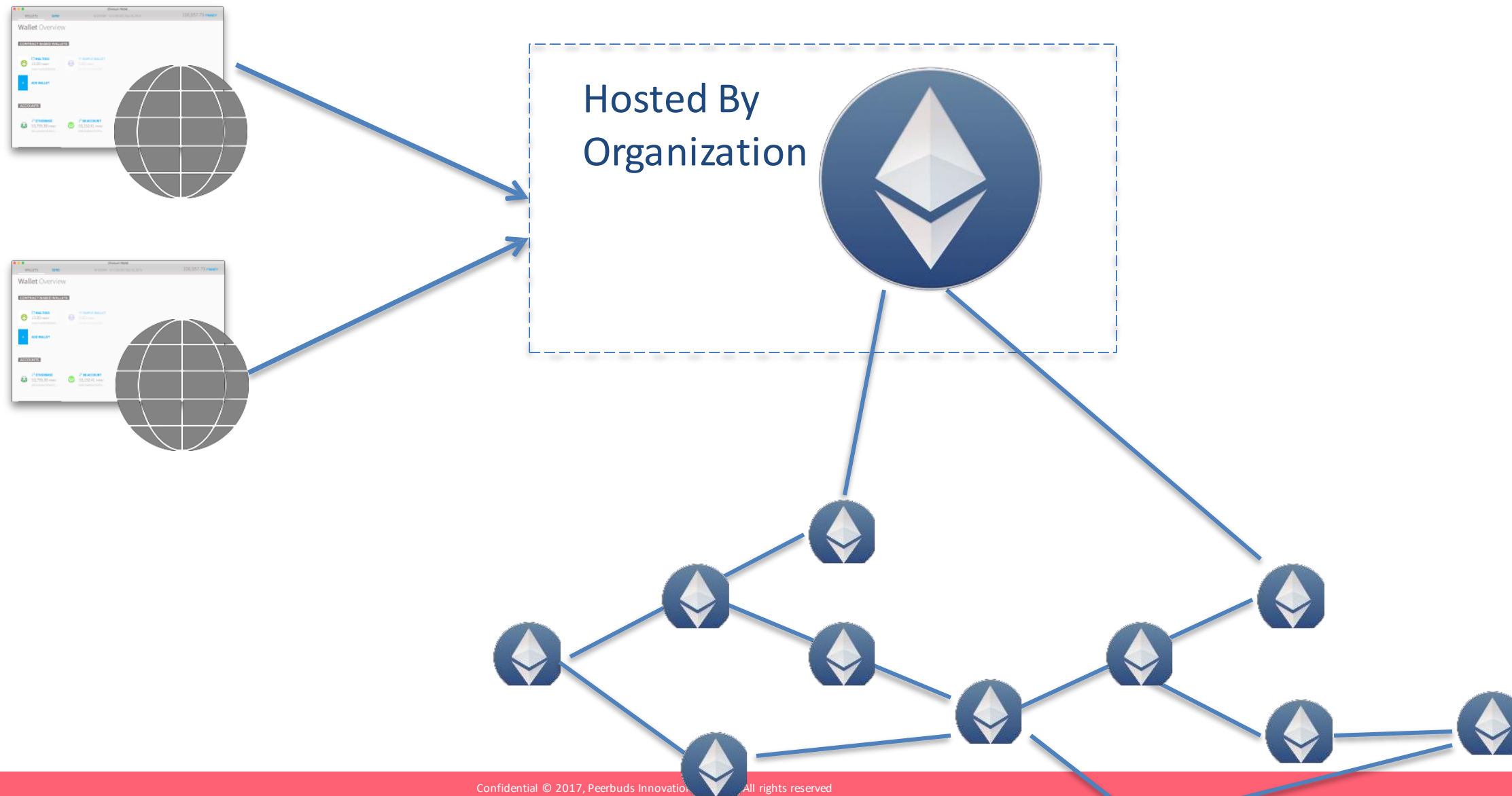
- DAPP Infrastructure

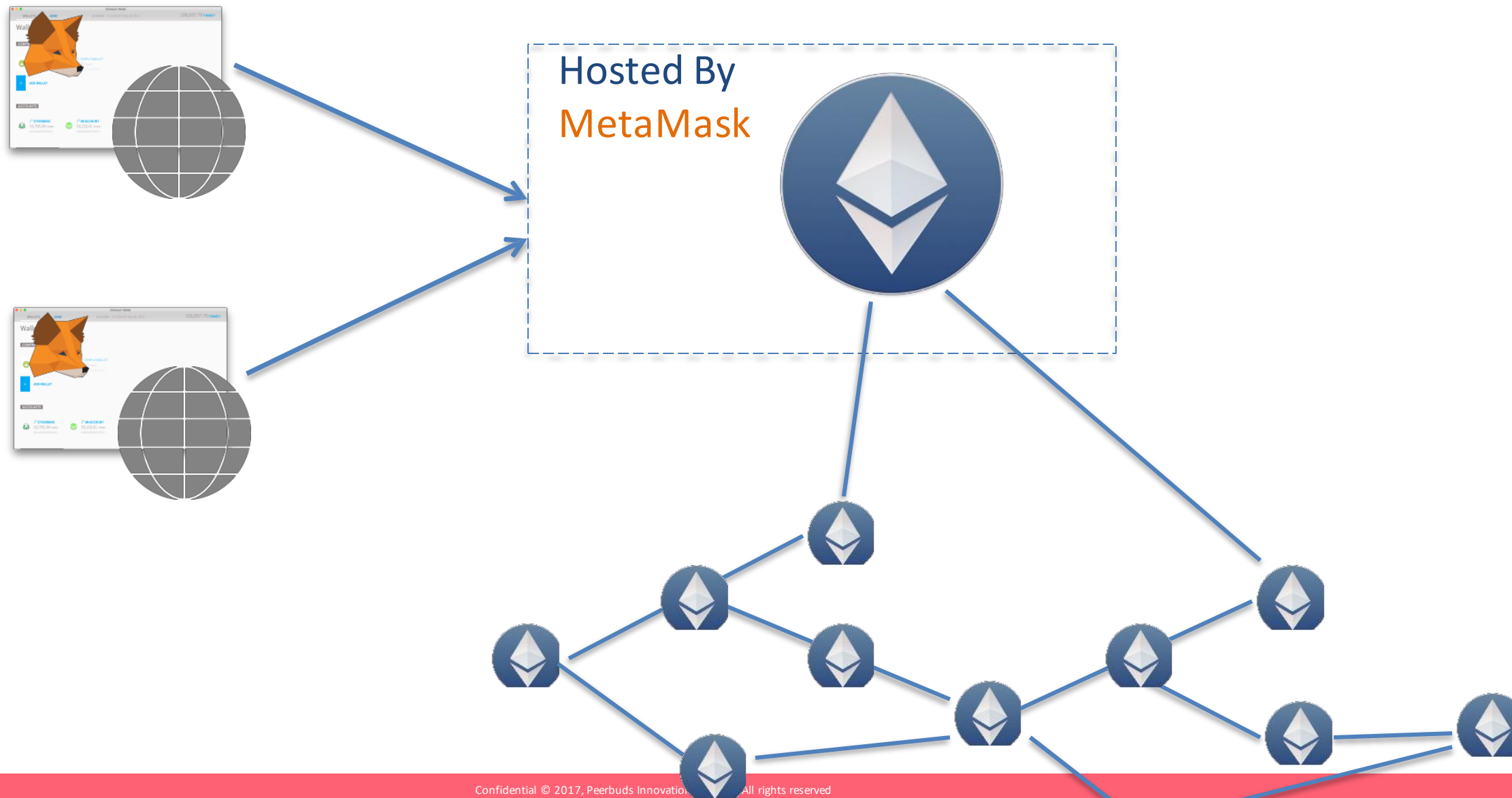
get(), watch(), stopWatching()





Deploying node locally is expensive







METAMASK



- Manage accounts in a browser vault
 - Export/Import accounts
 - Send Funds
- Exposes web3 object to browser app
 - Single Page Applications
- Supports multiple endpoints
- Does not support mining