



æternity

WORKSHOP

æternity Theoretics

Building on æternity

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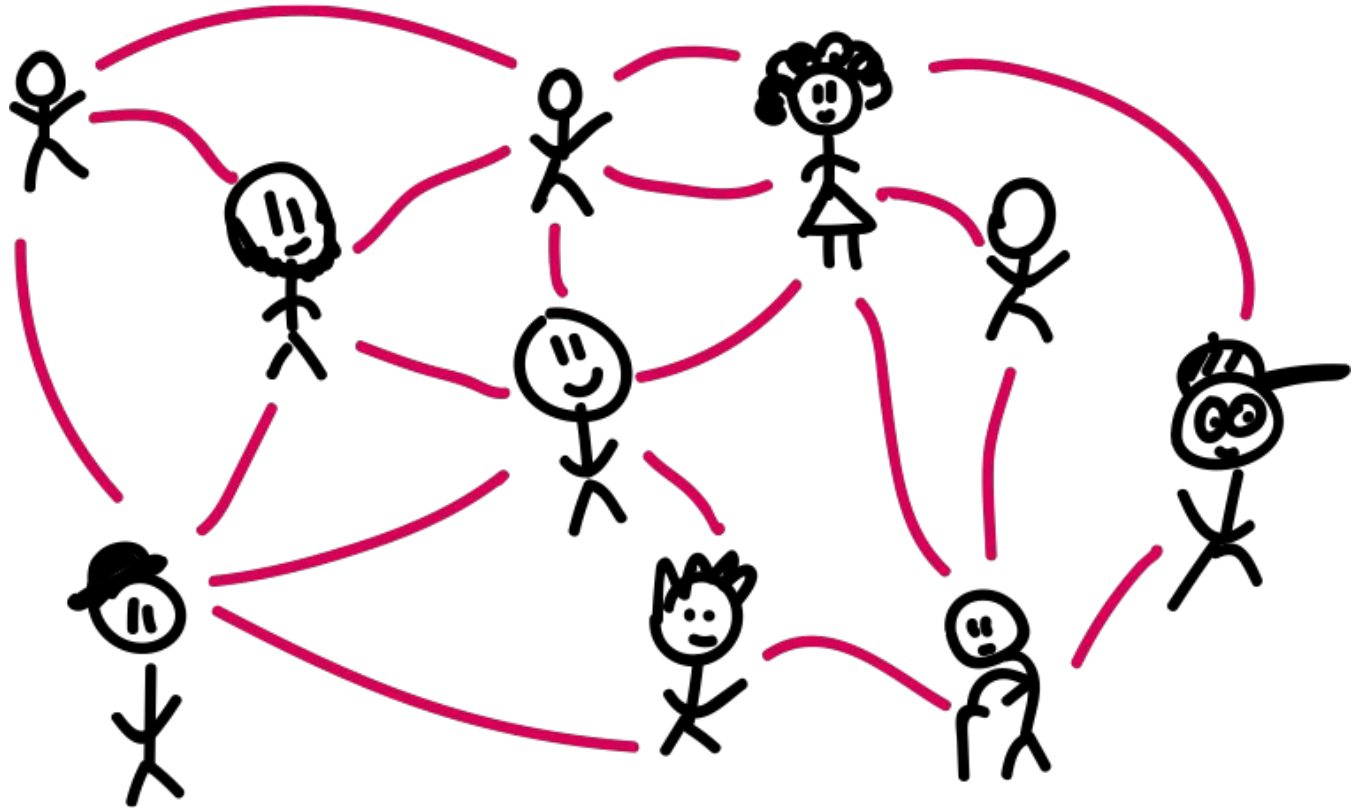
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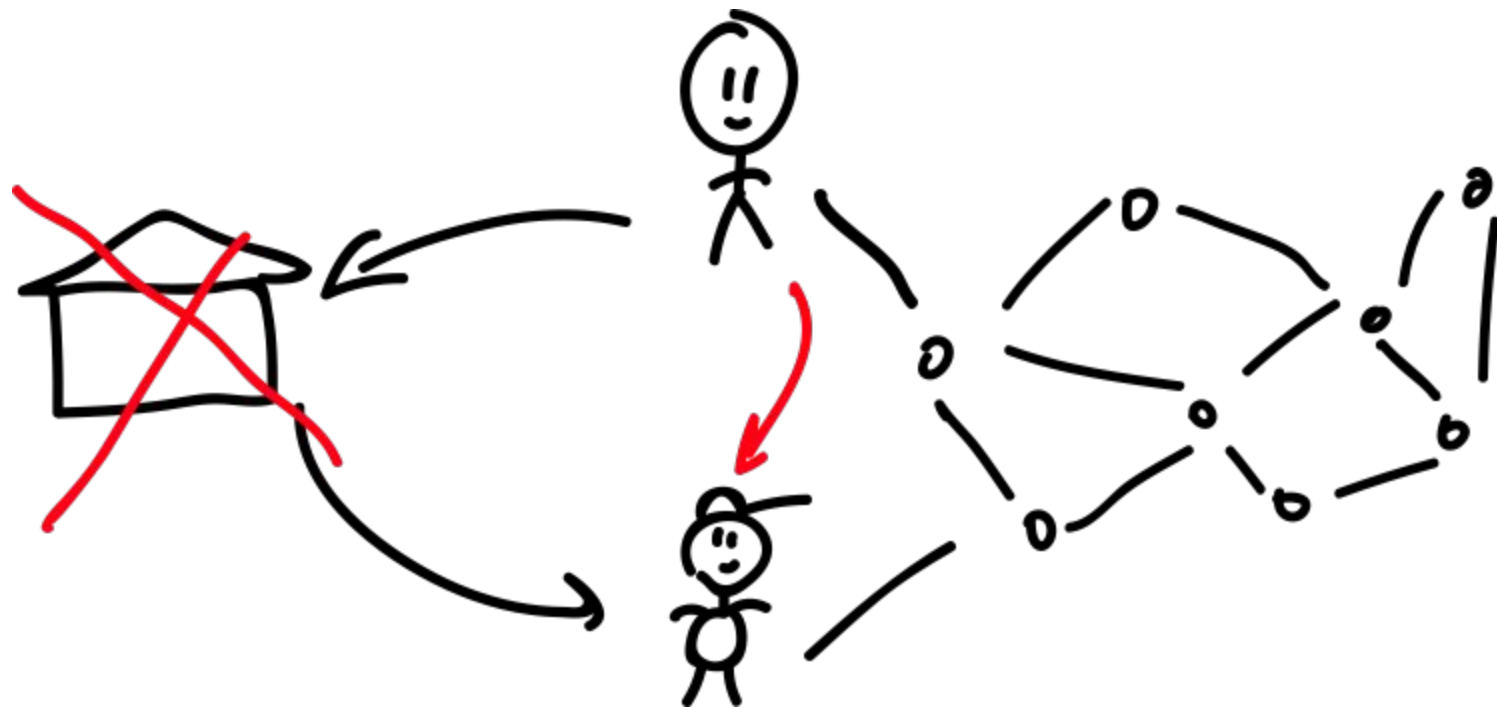


Satoshi Nakamoto





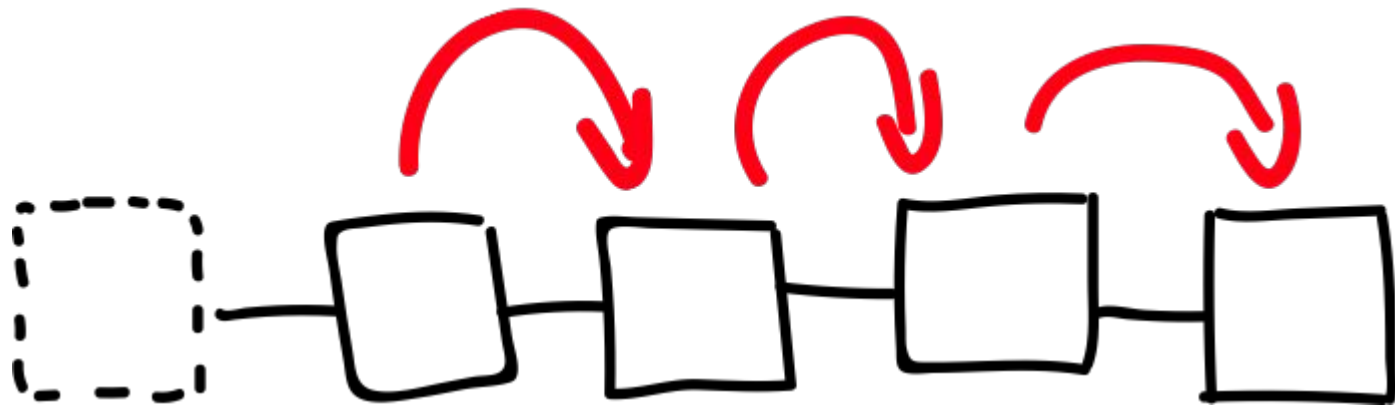


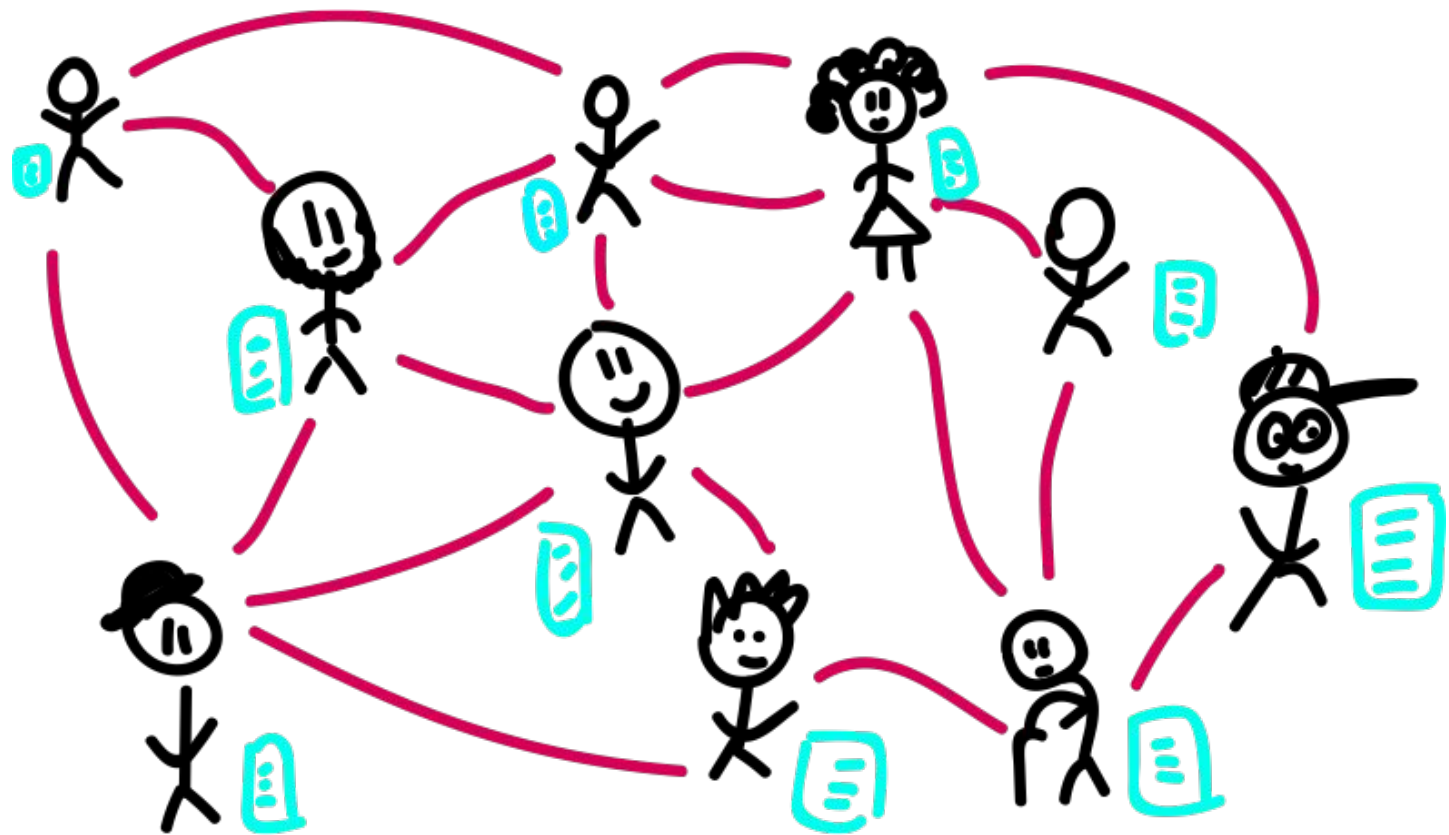


SHA 256 (.....) → 0x 12202263f05a7cb12...

hash







☑ Trust

☑ Double spending - **Solved!**

☑ No Intermediaries

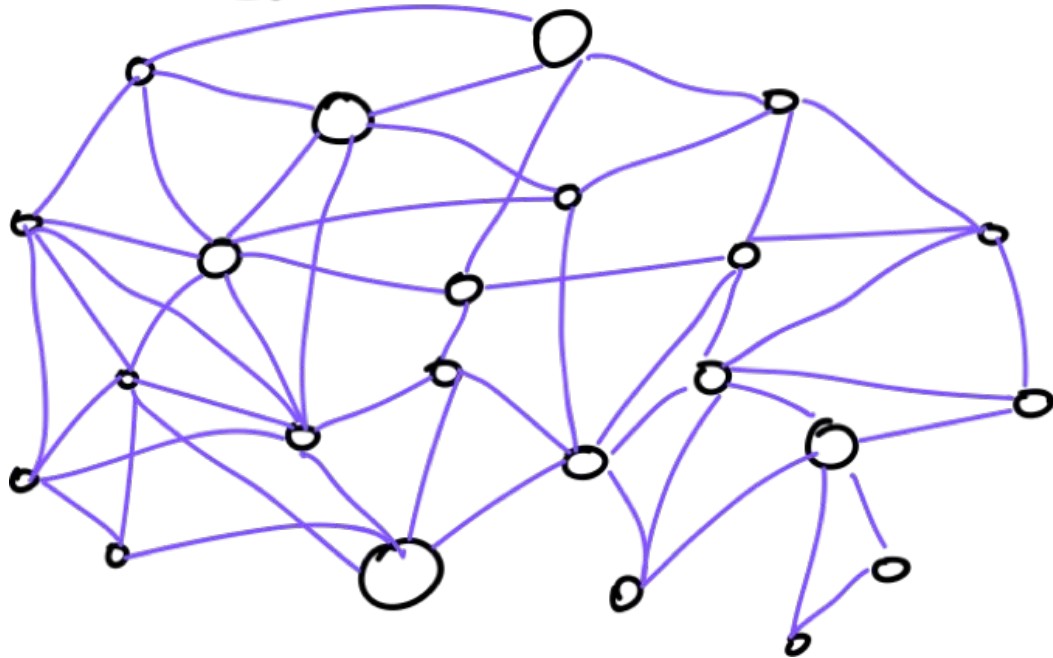
☑ Transfer of value

☑ Immutable store





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Sophia Language



What is æternity?

An open-source, blockchain 3.0 apps platform.

Aiming to address problems related to:

- scalability & cost
- governance
- usability & user-friendliness
- efficiency
- real world data
- smart-contract security



Technology

Some of the technology we use.



elixir

C++



Vue.js



You can find a full list on [GitHub](#).



The æternity team



- Erlang superstars
- Cryptocurrency veterans
- Blockchain enthusiasts & believers
- More than 200 years of total programming experience



Features:

Bitcoin-NG Consensus.

Developed in Cornell University. Based on the proven design of the Nakamoto Consensus. Based on key and micro blocks. **Improves on-chain transaction speed** allowing up to 6000 transactions per minute (100 tx/s).



Features:

Naming System (AENS).

æternity provides an **integrated naming system**. A name could point to an account or an oracle on the æternity blockchain. The naming system **increases usability, provides utility**, and allows for transfer of ownership.

Beta version implemented *name.test*. Name auctions -> *name.ans*.



Features:

Governance.

æternity's governance is implemented via [delegated] **voting, weighted by the amount of tokens the account holds**. Provides both technical tools to permit governance and frameworks for human interaction for **effective discussion**.

Liquid democracy on-chain. Non-binding outcomes. No staking. AE token users signal to the developers what they believe is the best approach. Anyone can post a question, anyone with AE tokens can reply.



Features:

Scalability via State Channels.

State channels provide a method for users to **privately communicate and transact off-chain**. æternity's method for **reducing the on-chain load**.



In-Depth:

State Channels - how do they work

- Two party encrypted communication
- Stateful and can have off-chain smart contracts
- Two phase protocol
- Part of the on-chain protocol



In-Depth:

State Channels - perks

1. Throughput limited by networking and CPU power.
2. Blazingly fast.
3. Cheap.



In-Depth:

State Channels - use cases

- Instant payments - no need for confirmations
 - Coffee
 - Offline-payments (developing countries)
- Micro payments - payments per second/minute/hour/day
 - Monthly payments can be broken down to regular payments
 - Services - pay what you consume
- Privacy - not there yet



Features:

Cuckoo Cycle PoW.

æternity uses Cuckoo Cycle (ASIC resistant) developed by John Tromp. GRIN uses a variation of the same algorithm.

Cuckoo Cycle is the first graph-theoretic Proof-of-Work, and **the most memory bound**, yet with instant verification.



Features:

Oracles.

Oracles are source of information which can be accessed on the blockchain.
Anyone can be an oracle provider, their reputation determines whether or not they are seen as a reliable source.



Features:

Unique smart contract approach.

1. Contract execution should be safe.
2. Contract execution should be efficient and scale.
3. Contract execution should be cheap.
4. There should be a simple way to migrate from existing smart contracts.

Smart contract language – **Sophia [ML]**. Functional Ocaml-like language, syntax most resembles that of Reason.



Aeternity ecosystem

- Documentation Hub
- Developer Tools
- Wallets
- SDKs
- Middleware



Aeternity SDKs

- Javascript
- Python
- Go



Developer Tools

- Forgae
 - forgae init
 - forgae node
 - forgae test
 - forgae compile
 - forgae deploy



Sophia

Sophia is a ML-family language.

- developed to be used for creating smart contracts on Aeternity Blockchain
- strongly typed language
- restricted mutable state
- state



Sophia simple storage smart contract

contract SimpleStorage =

record state = { stored_data: int }

public function init() : state = { stored_data = 0 }

public stateful function set(x: int) =
 put(state{ stored_data = x })

public function get() : int = state.stored_data



Solidity vs Sophia comparison

```
pragma solidity >=0.4.0 <0.6.0;
```

```
contract SimpleStorage {  
    uint storedData;
```

```
    function set(uint x) public {  
        storedData = x;  
    }
```

```
    function get() public view returns (uint) {  
        return storedData;  
    }  
}
```

```
contract SimpleStorage =
```

```
    record state = { stored_data: int }
```

```
    public function init() : state = { stored_data = 0 }
```

```
    public stateful function set(x: int) =  
        put(state{ stored_data = x })
```

```
    public function get() : int = state.stored_data
```



Sophia types

Type	Description	Example
int	A 256 bit 2-complement integer	<code>-1</code>
address	A 256 bit number given as a hex	<code>ff00</code>
bool	A Boolean	<code>true</code>
bits	A bit field (with 256 bits)	<code>Bits.none</code>
string	An array of bytes	<code>"Foo"</code>
list	A homogeneous immutable singly linked list.	<code>[1, 2, 3]</code>
tuple	An ordered heterogeneous array	<code>(42, "Foo", true)</code>
record	An immutable key value store with fixed key names and typed values	<code>record balance = { owner: address, value: int }</code>

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#types>



Sophia types

map	An immutable key value store with dynamic mapping of keys of one type to values of one type	<code>type accounts = map(string, address)</code>
option('a)	An optional value either None or Some('a)	<code>Some(42)</code>
state	A record of blockstate key, value pairs	
transactions	An append only list of blockchain transactions	
events	An append only list of blockchain events (or log entries)	
signature	A signature - 64 bytes	
Chain.ttl	Time-to-live (fixed height or relative to current block)	<code>FixedTTL(1050)</code> <code>RelativeTTL(50)</code>
oracle('a, 'b)	And oracle answering questions of type 'a with answers of type 'b	<code>Oracle.register(acct, qfee, ttl)</code>
oracle_query('a, 'b)	A specific oracle query	<code>Oracle.query(o, q, qfee, qtll, rttl)</code>

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Sophia Built-in functions

- Map.

Builtin functions on maps

The following builtin functions are defined on maps:

```
Map.lookup(k : 'k, m : map('k, 'v)) : option('v)
Map.lookup_default(k : 'k, m : map('k, 'v), v : 'v) : 'v
Map.member(k : 'k, m : map('k, 'v)) : bool
Map.delete(k : 'k, m : map('k, 'v)) : map('k, 'v)
Map.size(m : map('k, 'v)) : int
Map.to_list(m : map('k, 'v)) : list(('k, 'v))
Map.from_list(m : list(('k, 'v))) : map('k, 'v)
```

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/minerva/contracts/sophia.md#builtin-functions-on-maps>



Sophia Built-in functions

- Map.
- String.

Builtin functions on strings

The following builtin functions are defined on strings:

```
String.length(s : string) : int  
String.concat(s1 : string, s2 : string) : string  
String.sha3(s : string) : hash  
String.sha256(s : string) : hash  
String.blake2b(s : string) : hash
```

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/minerva/contracts/sophia.md#strings>



Sophia Built-in functions

- Map.
- String.
- Int.

Builtin functions on integers

The following builtin functions are defined on integers:

```
Int.to_str(i : int) : string
```

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/minerva/contracts/sophia.md#builtin-functions-on-integers>



Sophia Built-in functions

- Map.
- String.
- Int.
- Crypto.

Cryptographic primitives

The following hash functions are supported:

```
Crypto.sha3(x : 'a') : hash  
Crypto.sha256(x : 'a') : hash  
Crypto.blake2b(x : 'a') : hash  
String.sha3(s : string) : hash  
String.sha256(s : string) : hash  
String.blake2b(s : string) : hash
```

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/minerva/contracts/sophia.md#cryptographic-primitives>



Sophia Built-in functions

- Map.
- String.
- Int.
- Crypto.
- Interface for Oracle.

An Oracle operator will use the functions:

- `Oracle.register`
- `Oracle.get_question`
- `Oracle.respond`
- `Oracle.extend`

An Oracle user will use the functions:

- `Oracle.query_fee`
- `Oracle.query`
- `Oracle.get_answer`

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/minerva/contracts/sophia.md#oracle-interface>



Sophia Built-in functions

- Map.
- String.
- Int.
- Crypto.
- Interface for Oracle.
- Interface for Account.

To spend tokens from the contract account to the account "to" you call the **Chain.spend** function.

```
Chain.spend(to : address, amount : integer)
```

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/minerva/contracts/sophia.md#account-interface>



Sophia Contract primitives

- Contract.

- `Contract.creator` is the address of the entity that signed the contract creation transaction.
- `Contract.address` is the address of the contract account.
- `Contract.balance` is the amount of coins currently in the contract account. Equivalent to `Chain.balance(Contract.address)` .

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/minerva/contracts/sophia.md#contract-primitives>



Sophia Contract primitives

- Contract.
- Call.
 - `Call.origin` is the address of the account that signed the call transaction that led to this call.
 - `Call.caller` is the address of the entity (possibly another contract) calling the contract.
 - `Call.value` is the amount of coins transferred to the contract in the call.
 - `Call.gas_price` is the gas price of the current call.
 - `Call.gas_left()` is the amount of gas left for the current call.

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/minerva/contracts/sophia.md#contract-primitives>



Sophia Contract primitives

- Contract.
- Call.
- Chain.
 - `Chain.balance(a : address)` returns the balance of account `a`.
 - `Chain.block_hash(h)` returns the hash of the block at height `h`.
 - `Chain.block_height` is the height of the current block (i.e. the block in which the current call will be included).
 - `Chain.coinbase` is the address of the account that mined the current block.
 - `Chain.timestamp` is the timestamp of the current block.
 - `Chain.difficulty` is the difficulty of the current block.
 - `Chain.gas_limit` is the gas limit of the current block.

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/minerva/contracts/sophia.md#contract-primitives>



Sophia Arithmetic operations

- Safe arithmetic operations.
- Sophia values are 256-bit words.

- addition ($x + y$)
- subtraction ($x - y$)
- multiplication ($x * y$)
- division (x / y), truncated towards zero
- remainder ($x \bmod y$), satisfying $y * (x / y) + x \bmod y == x$ for non-zero y
- exponentiation ($x ^ y$)

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#arithmetic>



Lists

- Dynamically sized, homogenous, immutable, singly linked list

```
[1, 33, 2, 666] : list(int)
[(1, "aaa"), (10, "jjj"), (666, "the beast")] : list((int, string))
[{[1] = "aaa", [10] = "jjj"}, {[5] = "eee", [666] = "the beast"}] : list(map(int, string))
```

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#lists>



Lists

- Prepend with `::`
- Concat with `++`

`42 :: [1,2,3] == [42,1,2,3]`

`[11,22,33] ++ [44,55,66] == [11,22,33,44,55,66]`

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#lists>



Maps and records

- Record is a fixed set of fields with associated possibly different types

```
record account = { name    : string,  
                  balance : int,  
                  history  : list(transaction) }
```

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#maps-and-records>



Maps and records

- Maps can contain an arbitrary number of key-value bindings, with fixed type

`map('k, 'v)`

- The type can be any type but function or map type.

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#maps-and-records>



Maps and records

- Constructing with a function

- Record

```
function new_account(name) =  
  {name = name, balance = 0, history = []}
```

- Map

```
function example_map() : map(string, int) =  
  {"key1" = 1, "key2" = 2}
```

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#maps-and-records>



Maps and records

- Accessing values
- Record - `r.f`
- Map - `m[k]`

```
function get_balance(a : address, accounts : map(address, account)) =  
  accounts[a].balance
```

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#maps-and-records>



Maps and records

- Updating values
- Record - $r\{f = v\}$
- Map - $m\{[k] = v\}$

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#maps-and-records>



Maps and records

- Maps in the VM are implemented as hash maps and support fast lookup and update
- Large map size does not increase the gas cost for reading or updating it

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#maps-and-records>



Maps vs Mappings - Solidity

// Solidity

```
mapping [string => uint] public balances;
```

```
balances["milen"] = 2
```

```
//
```

```
contractName.balances["milen"];
```

```
//
```

```
function balances(string _account) returns (uint) {
```

```
    return balances[_account];
```

```
}
```



Maps - Sophia

// Sophia

```
function get_balance(a: address, accounts: map(address, account)) =  
    account[a].balance
```



Sophia - Maps built-in functions

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```



for vs switch - Solidity

// there is not an obvious number of iterations

// every step is paid

// you can fairly easy hit the gas limit

```
for (uint x = 0; x < refundAddressesList.length; x++) {  
    refundAddressesList[x].transfer(SOME_AMOUNT);  
}
```



Sophia - loops

```
private function map(f : 'a => 'b, l : list('a)) : list('b) =  
  switch(l)  
    [] => []  
    e :: l' => f(e) :: map(f, l')
```



State changing - Solidity

```
uint public firstStageDuration = 8 days;
uint public firstStagePriceOfTokenInWei = 85005100306018 wei;    //0.00008500510030601840 ETH per Token // 1176

uint public firstStageEnd;

uint constant public secondStageDuration = 12 days;
uint constant public secondStagePriceOfTokenInWei = 90000900009000 wei;    //0.00009000090000900010 ETH per To

uint public secondStageEnd;

uint constant public thirdStageDuration = 41 days;
uint constant public thirdStagePriceOfTokenInWei = 106258633513973 wei;    //0.00010625863351397300 ETH p

uint constant public thirdStageDiscountPriceOfTokenInWei = 95002850085503 wei;    //0.00009500285008550260 ETH pe

uint public thirdStageEnd;

uint constant public TOKENS_HARD_CAP = 500000000000000000000000; // 500 000 000 with 18 decimals

// 18 decimals
uint constant POW = 10 ** 18;

// Constants for Realase Three Hot Hours
```



State changing - Sophia

```
put(state{ latest_auction_slot_id = next_auction_slot_id,  
          auction_slots[next_auction_slot_id] = new_auction_slot })
```



Crypto

- Signature verification

`Crypto.ecverify(msg: hash, pubkey: address, sig: signature) : bool`

`Crypto.ecverify_secp256k1(msg: hash, pubkey: bytes(64), sig: bytes(64)) : bool`

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/contracts/sophia.md#cryptographic-primitives>



Oracles

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- `Oracle.respond`
- `Oracle.extend`

An Oracle user will use the functions:

- `Oracle.query_fee`
- `Oracle.query`
- `Oracle.get_answer`

<https://github.com/aeternity/protocol/blob/master/oracles/oracles.md#oracles>



To-Do List Smart Contract

```
1. contract ToDoList =
2.   record state = {
3.     index: int,
4.     tasks : map(int, task)}
5.
6.   record task = {
7.     name: string,
8.     completed: bool }
9.
10.  public stateful function init() =
11.    { index = 0,
12.      tasks = {}}
13.
14.  public function get_tasks_count() : int =
15.    Map.size(state.tasks)
16.
17.  public stateful function add_task(task : string) =
18.    let new_task = {
19.      name = task,
20.      completed = false }
21.    put(state{tasks[state.index] = new_task})
22.    put(state{index = state.index + 1})
23.
24.  public stateful function complete_task(index : int) : bool =
25.    put(state{tasks[index].completed = true})
26.    true
```

```
27.  public function get_task_by_index(index: int) : string =
28.    switch(Map.lookup(index, state.tasks))
29.      None => "No such task."
30.      Some(x) => x.name
31.
32.  public function is_task_completed(index : int) : bool =
33.    switch(Map.lookup(index, state.tasks))
34.      None => false
35.      Some(x) => x.completed
```



Thank you!



Resources

- <https://aeternity.com>
- <https://github.com/aeternity/aeternity>
- <http://aeternity.com/documentation-hub>
- <https://github.com/aeternity/aepp-forgae-js>
- <https://github.com/aeternity/aepp-sophia-examples>
- <https://forum.aeternity.com>
- <https://github.com/aeternity/aepp-sdk-js>





ÆSOLUTIONS

// CURRENT BLOCKCHAIN USE-CASES

Dynamic registry
Fractional investing

Marketplaces
„Programmed trust“

Identity
Health records

**Payments
infrastructure**
Automated Invoice

Smart contracts
Music settlements

Supply Chain
proof of ownership

Automation
insurance claims

**Blockchain technology has matured to disrupt
business processes in many verticals.**

AE SOLUTIONS

- Key question based approach
- Expertise to handle any verticals
- Risk and increasing the business impact – step by step

CONSULTING-PROCESS

DISCOVERY

Eg: What are the biggest opportunities for your enterprise?

MULTIPLE USE-CASES

FEASIBILITY

*Eg: What it takes to create a prototype?
Which use-case will have the highest impact*

SINGLE USE-CASE
FEASIBILITY STUDY

PROTOTYPE

*Eg: Which processes will change
Which additional opportunities does your business have with the prototype*

LAUNCHED PROTOTYPE

TURNKEY-READY

Eg: What will be the impact on your business' bottom-line?

TURNKEY ENTERPRISE
SOLUTION

Coding Challenge

<https://thepiwo.github.io/aepp-todolist>

