It is very often require that a contract need to interact with one or more libraries. This walkthrough tutorial covers this use case.

We will use a very basic example:

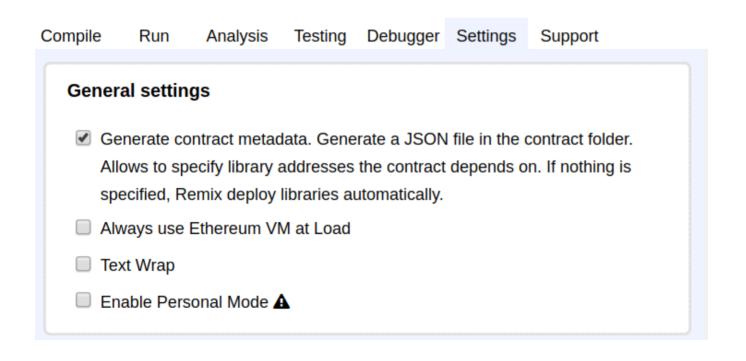
Run in the terminal

remix.loadgist('c230a699a7ed7ea55254bad7a01ac97a')

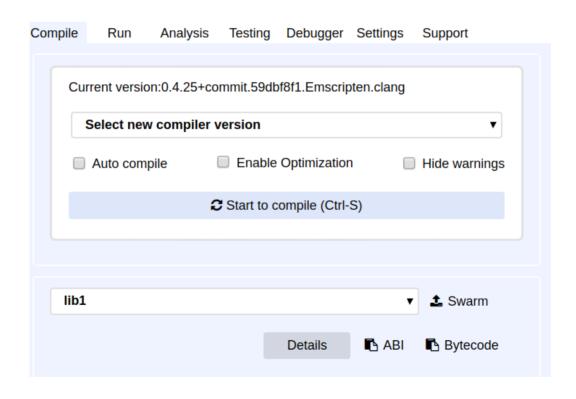
We are going to:

- Deploy the library
- Use the metada file to reference the library address. That reference will be use at deployment time to link the contract to the library.
- Deploy the contract

First we need to activate the metadata file generation



Start compiling



"sample.json" should be available.



The metadata file contains:

- compilation result data (bytecode, sourcemap),
- the contract abi
- the libraries linkage (that the interesting part for us now;))

Note that the config is duplicated for each network (Ropsten,

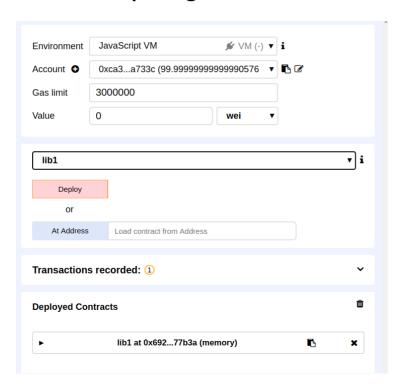
Mainnet, Rinkeby, etc..)

and that it is still possible to

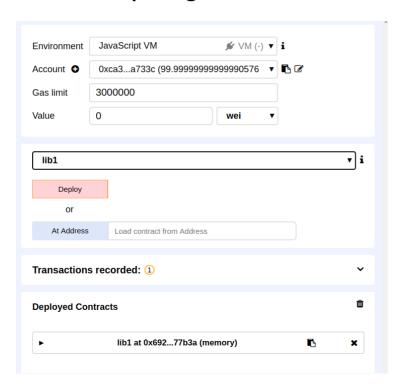
automatically deploy the libraries.

```
"deploy": {
                   "linkReferences": {
                       'qist/sample.sol": {
                           "lib1": "<address>'
                   "autoDeplovLib": true
10
11 +
              "main:1": {
12 -
                  "linkReferences": {
13 🔻
                       "gist/sample.sol": {
14
                           "lib1": "<address>"
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                   'autoDeplovLib": true
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              "ropsten:3": {
20 -
                  "linkReferences": {
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                       "gist/sample.sol": {
22
                           "lib1": "<address>'
23
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25
                   "autoDeplovLib": true
26
27 -
              "rinkeby:4": {
28 -
                  "linkReferences": {
29 +
                       "gist/sample.sol": {
30
                           "lib1": "<address>"
31
32
33
                   'autoDeplovLib": true
```

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Copy the library address and use it for specifying the address in the metadata file.

```
browser/sample.sol
                                                                                        gist/sample.sol
                                                                                                             gist/lib1.json
                                                                                                                                gist/sa

→ browser
                                                                "deploy": {
   sample.sol
                                                                         "linkReferences":
config
                                                                                 'lib1": "0x692a70d2e424a56d2c6c27aa97d1a86395877b3a"

▼ gist
                                                                        "autoDeplovLib": true
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                                                                            "gist/sample.sol": {
   sample.json
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                                                                                "lib1": "<address>"
                                                       15
```

Note that the network should match the one you are actually connected to. In the above example, we use the "JavaScript VM".

Compile Sample.json and deploy it. You can check that Remix is correctly linking the library

```
linking {
        "gist/sample.sol": {
                "lib1":
                                "length": 20,
                                "start": 120
 usina
        "qist/sample.sol": {
                "lib1": "0x692a70d2e424a56d2c6c27aa97d1a86395877b3a"
creation of sample pending...
     [vm] from:0xca3...a733c to:sample.(constructor) value:0 wei data:0x608...f0029 logs:0 hash:0x45d...dd78a
                                                                                                                 Debug
```