Bitcoin Script Execution

Unlocking an Unspent Output (UTXO)

Unlocking Script (scriptSig)

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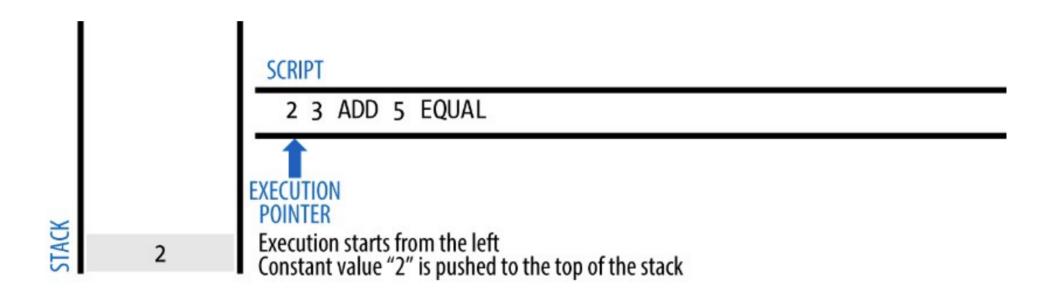
Locking Script (scriptPubKey)

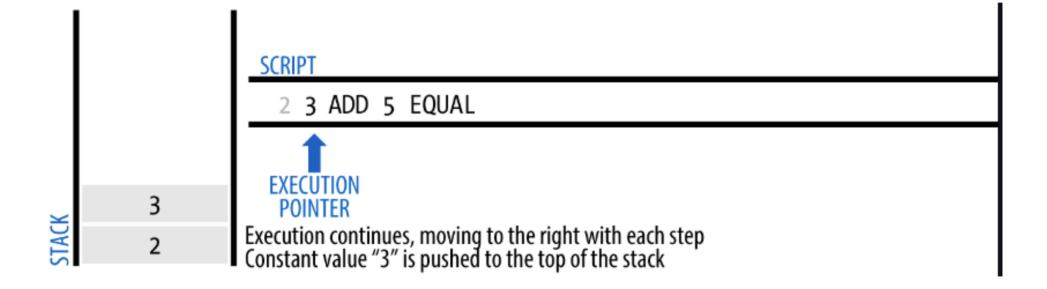
<sig> <PubK>

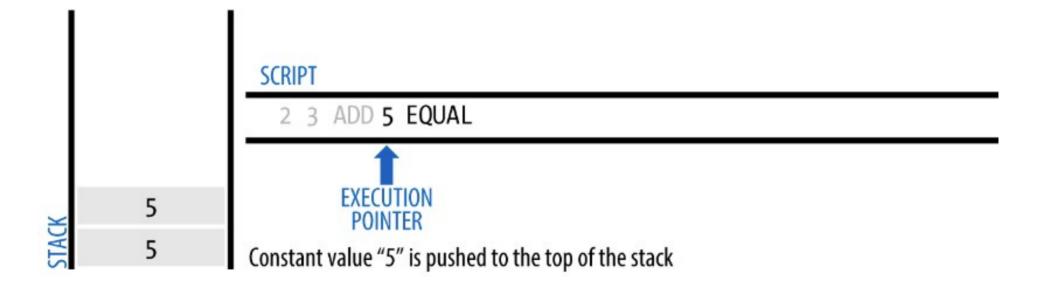
DUP HASH160 < PubKHash > EQUALVERIFY CHECKSIG

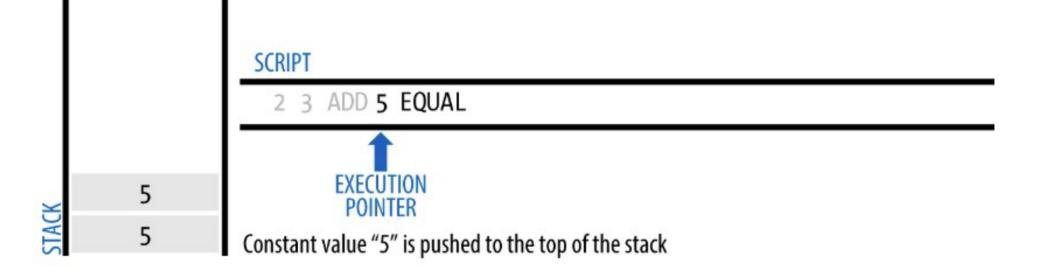
Unlock Script (scriptSig) is provided by the user to resolve the encumbrance Lock Script (scriptPubKey) is found in a transaction output and is the encumbrance that must be fulfilled to spend the output

Basic Addition Script









TRUE

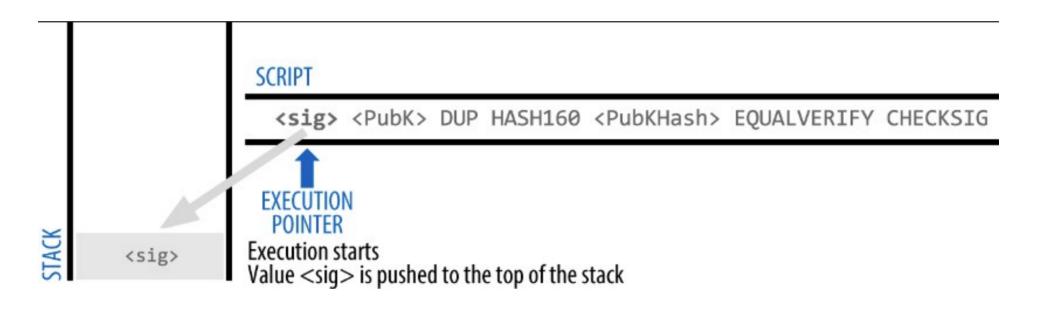
SCRIPT

2 3 ADD 5 EQUAL



Operator EQUAL pops the top two items out of the stack and compares the values (5 and 5) and if they are equal, EQUAL pushes TRUE (TRUE = 1) to the top of the stack

Pay To Pub-key Hash (P2PKH)

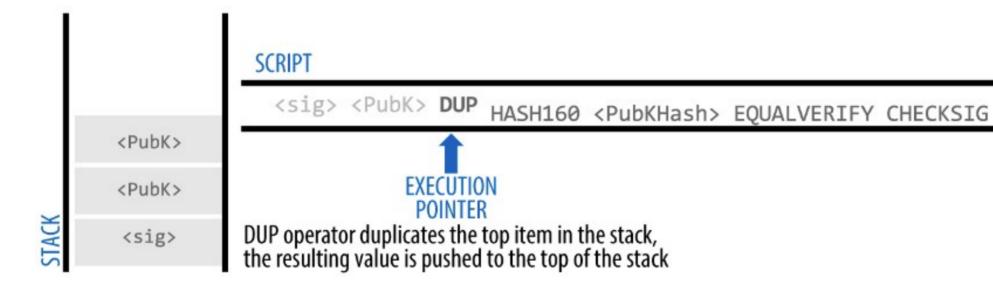


SCRIPT

<sig> <PubK> DUP HASH160 <PubKHash> EQUALVERIFY CHECKSIG



Execution continues, moving to the right with each step Value <PubK> is pushed to the top of the stack, on top of <sig>

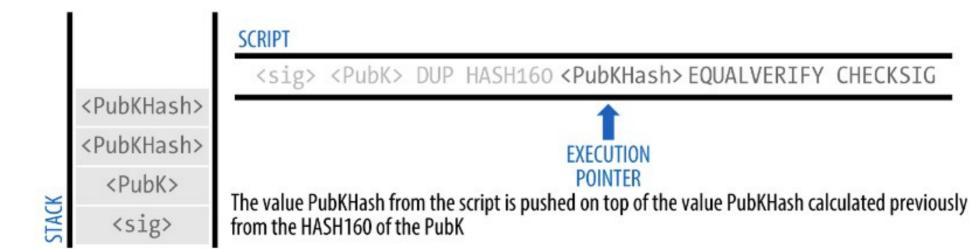


SCRIPT

<sig> <PubK> DUP HASH160 <PubKHash> EQUALVERIFY CHECKSIG



HASH160 operator hashes the top item in the stack with RIPEMD160(SHA256(PubK)) the resulting value (PubKHash) is pushed to the top of the stack



<PubK> <sig>

SCRIPT

<sig> <PubK> DUP HASH160 <PubKHash> EQUALVERIFY CHECKSIG



The EQUALVERIFY operator compares the PubKHash encumbering the transaction with the PubKHash calculated from the user's PubK. If they match, both are removed and execution continues

SCRIPT

<sig> <PubK>DUP HASH160 <PubKHash> EQUALVERIFY CHECKSIG



The CHECKSIG operator checks that the signature <sig> matches the public key <PubK> and pushes TRUE to the top of the stack if true.

TRUE