

# PROOF OF WORK - II

## BLOCKCHAIN DEVELOPMENT

**Time:** 60 mins

### Introduction

In this class, the student/s will be able to use nonce value to generate the hash with the given difficulty level.

### Introduce and Recall Commands

- `time()`  
Time function returns the number of seconds passed since epoch.
- `__init__()`  
Python `__init__()` constructor is an constructor in object oriented approach. This function is called every time an object is created from a class.
- `self`  
A default parameter, named 'self' is always passed in its argument. This self represents the object of the class itself.

### Vocabulary

- **Nonce:** A nonce is a value that can be used only once. It is an artificially generated number used as counter during the process of mining.

### Learning Objectives

Student/s should be able to:

- **Recall** how a problem is solved using a nonce.
- **Explain** how a problem is solved using a nonce to match the difficulty level.
- **Demonstrate** how a nonce value was found to match the difficulty level.

### Activities

#### 1. Class Narrative: (2 mins)

- Brief the student/s that they will learn to solve the complex math problem to generate the hash to validate the block.

#### 2. Concept Introduction Activity: (5 mins)

- Let the student/s play the explore-activity to observe .
- Explain the need of hashing in blockchain and introduce Secure hashing for data.
- Using the slides, explain that the student/s will learn:
  - to generate sequence of nonce
  - to limit the nonce
  - To validate proof of work

### 3. Activity 1: GENERATE SEQUENTIAL NONCE (14 mins)

**Teacher Activity:** (7 mins)

- Explain why nonce value is used instead of random numbers/string.
- Demonstrate how to add the nonce value to the block by passing it through the functions.

**Student Activity:** (7 mins)

- Guide the student/s to add nonce value to the block and update the functions to use nonce value to generate the hash..

### 4. Activity 2: LIMIT THE NONCE (12 mins)

**Teacher Activity:** (6 mins) .

- Explain why limiting the nonce is necessary and how to limit the nonce.
- Demonstrate how to limit the nonce and add a condition to check for the nonce limit.

**Student Activity:** (6 mins)

- Guide the student/s to limit the nonce and add a condition to check for the nonce limit.

### 5. Activity 3: VALIDATE PROOF OF WORK (12 mins)

**Teacher Activity:** (6 mins)

- Explain that the nonce will be used to validate the block hash.
- Explain that the hash can be validated only when the hash matches the difficulty level.

- Explain how timestamp can be used to create new hash and reuse the nonce value as nonce are limited.
- Demonstrate how to calculate the hash to match the difficulty level and use the timestamp to reuse the nonce values.

**Student Activity:** (6 mins)

- Guide the students to calculate the hash to match the difficulty level and use the timestamp to reuse the nonce values.

**6. Test and Summarize the class learnings:** (5 mins)

- Check for understanding through quizzes and summarize learning after respective missions.
- Summarize the overall class learning towards the end of the class.

**7. Additional activities:**

- Encourage the student/s to use the unique nonce for each block.
- Encourage the student/s to add a time limit to mine the block. Also decrease the limit of nonce and increase the difficulty level.

**8. State the Next Class Objective:** (1 min)

- In the next class, student/s will learn to create a mining pool, reward the miners after solving the problem to validate the block.

## U.S. Standards:

CSTA: 2-AP-11, 2-AP-12, 2-AP-13, 2-AP-14, 2-AP-19

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Activity	Activity Name	Link
Class Presentation	PROOF OF WORK	<a href="https://s3-whjr-curriculum-uploads.whjr.online/1cf64c47-4900-4060-838e-1c6e376e77b1.html">https://s3-whjr-curriculum-uploads.whjr.online/1cf64c47-4900-4060-838e-1c6e376e77b1.html</a>
Explore Activity	PROOF OF WORK	<a href="https://github.com/Tynker-Blockchain/TNK-M12-C93-SAS">https://github.com/Tynker-Blockchain/TNK-M12-C93-SAS</a>
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Post Class Project	VALIDATE PROOF OF WORK	<a href="https://github.com/Tynker-Blockchain/TNK-M12-C93-PCP-BP">https://github.com/Tynker-Blockchain/TNK-M12-C93-PCP-BP</a>
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