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Workshop
Contract Development for Beginners

Workshops

Workshop #1: Contract Development for Beginners

Requirements: Basic Understanding of Ethereum

Solidity Basics

Workshop #2: From Idea to Contract

Requirements: Basic Understanding of Solidity

Mapping the real world to ethereum concepts

Advanced Solidity / Testing

Workshop #3: From Contract to DApp

Requirements: Basic Understanding of Solidity, HTML/JS, node.js

Interfacing with Ethereum using web3.js

Auxiliary Technologies: IPFS, Whisper and Swarm

Resources

workshop.zip

- **resources.txt**: useful links
- **specifications**: detailed description of exercises
- **scaffolding**: optional starting point for exercises
- **solutions**: self-explanatory
- **presentation.pdf**: this presentation
- **crowdfund.sol**: (bad) example contract
- **remix-intro.pdf**: "guide" to Remix IDE

Warnings

This workshop does **not** make you a contract developer

many small but important differences to other languages

=> many possible bugs (stuck contract, stolen funds, etc.)

If you ever intend to make a real world contract

read the solidity documentation **in its entirety**

tests (!!!)

audits (multiple!!!)

Agenda

1. EVM Fundamentals
2. Remix IDE
3. Intro to Solidity
4. **First Exercise: Trusted Data Feed**
5. More Solidity
6. **Exercise: Advanced Feed**
7. Example: Subscription
8. Solidity Data Structures
9. **Final Exercise: Implementing a marketplace**

EVM Fundamentals

Fundamentals

Accounts

- 160 bit addresses
- hold ether
- hold state
- can have controlling private key
- or EVM bytecode => contract

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Contract

Runs at every received message

Has a persistent 256-to-256 bit storage

private (to other contracts, public to external actors)

but expensive

Can spawn new messages during execution

(to send ether or just call other contracts)

Fundamentals

Example Crowdfunding:

Storage used to store:

contribution information

campaign info

campaign progress

```
address public beneficiary;
uint public fundingGoal;
uint public amountRaised; uint public deadline;
```

Fundamentals

Example Crowdfunding:

New messages sent for:

paying back funders

paying out the funds

manage token

```
if (!beneficiary.send(amountRaised)) throw;
```

```
tokenReward.sendCoin(msg.sender, amount / price);
```

Example

Forwarder

Simply forwards received funds to another address

Scenario:

A sends 10 ether to Forwarder

encodes argument "forward(B)"

Forwarder forwards 10 ether to B

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Accounts

A
100 ETH

B
0 ETH

Contract
0 ETH

code:
0x…..

Fundamentals

Message (or "internal Transaction")

- Sender (where the ether is sent from)
- Recipient (e.g. the executing contract)
- Value (can be 0)
- Data (used to encode the function call)
- Return Value (used to retrieve the result of a computation)
- Gaslimit (the maximal gas usage local to this message)

Executes either completely or not at all

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Message

A
99 ETH

B
0 ETH

from: A
to: Contract
value: 1ETH
data: forward(B)

Contract
1 ETH

code:
0x…..

causes contract to be executed

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Message

A
99 ETH

from: A
to: Contract
value: 1ETH
data: forward(B)

Contract
0 ETH

code:
0x…..

execution can cause new messages

B
1 ETH

from: Contract
to: B
value: 1ETH

causes contract to be executed

Fundamentals

Transaction

wraps a message

signed by a private key

only transactions appear in chain

sets gasprice for all contained messages

sets a global gaslimit

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Blockchain

A
100 ETH

Gasprice:
0.00001

Gaslimit:
100000

Transaction
21000 gas
(61000)
(Eth Cost: 2.1)

Signed by A

Message
30000 gas

Contract
0 ETH

B
0 ETH

Message
10000 gas

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Blockchain

A
90 ETH

-10 ETH

Gasprice:
0.00001

Gaslimit:
100000

Transaction
21000 gas
(61000)
(Eth Cost: 2.1)

Message
30000 gas

Contract
0 ETH

B
0 ETH

Message
10000 gas

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Blockchain

A
89 ETH

-10 ETH
-1 ETH

Gasprice:
0.00001

Gaslimit:
100000

Transaction
21000 gas
(61000)
(Eth Cost: 2.1)

Gas: 100000

Message
30000 gas

Contract
0 ETH

100000 * 0.00001 = 1

B
0 ETH

Message
10000 gas

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Blockchain

A
89 ETH

-10 ETH
-1 ETH

Gasprice:
0.00001

Gaslimit:
100000

Transaction
21000 gas
(61000)
(Eth Cost: 2.1)

Message
30000 gas

Contract
0 ETH

Gas: 79000

B
0 ETH

Message
10000 gas

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Blockchain

A
89 ETH

-10 ETH
-1 ETH

Gasprice:
0.00001

Gaslimit:
100000

Transaction
21000 gas
(61000)
(Eth Cost: 2.1)

Gas: 59000

Message
20000 / 30000 gas

Contract
10 ETH

+10 ETH

B
0 ETH

Message
10000 gas

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Blockchain

A
89 ETH

-10 ETH
-1 ETH

Gasprice:
0.00001

Gaslimit:
100000

Transaction
21000 gas
(61000)
(Eth Cost: 2.1)

Message
20000 / 30000 gas

Gas: 49000

Contract
0 ETH

+10 ETH
-10 ETH

B
10 ETH

+10 ETH

Message
10000 gas

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Blockchain

A
89 ETH

-10 ETH
-1 ETH

Gasprice:
0.00001

Gaslimit:
100000

Transaction
21000 gas
(61000)
(Eth Cost: 2.1)

Gas: 39000

Message
10000/30000 gas

Contract
0 ETH

+10 ETH
-10 ETH

Message
10000 gas

B
10 ETH

+10 ETH

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Blockchain

A
89 ETH

-10 ETH
-1 ETH

Gasprice:
0.00001

Gaslimit:
100000

Transaction
21000 gas
(61000)
(Eth Cost: 2.1)

Message
30000 gas

Gas: 39000
~ 0.39 ETH

Contract
0 ETH

+10 ETH
-10 ETH

B
10 ETH

+10 ETH

Message
10000 gas

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Blockchain

A
89.39 ETH

-10 ETH
-1 ETH
+0.39 ETH

Gasprice:
0.00001

Gaslimit:
100000

Transaction
21000 gas
(61000)
(Eth Cost: 2.1)

Message
30000 gas

Gas: 0
~ 0 ETH

Contract
0 ETH

+10 ETH
-10 ETH

B
10 ETH

+10 ETH

Message
10000 gas

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EVM

Stack machine

256 bit words

Has all the usual instructions plus

block data, tx data, msg data, contract data access

cryptographic functions

message sending

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Storage

- expensive
- persistent

Memory (only during execution)

- cheaper
- byte-level access

Stack (only during execution)

- inaccessible in solidity (except assembly)

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Out of gas exception:

If a message runs out of gas

- all state changes are reversed
- includes transfers, storage modifications, events

gas is not reversed (and neither are selfdestructs(!))

parent message runs afterwards (but might also be oog)

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EVM

Logs

for UIs

Light Clients

Logging

Fill a bloom filter in block header

IDEs

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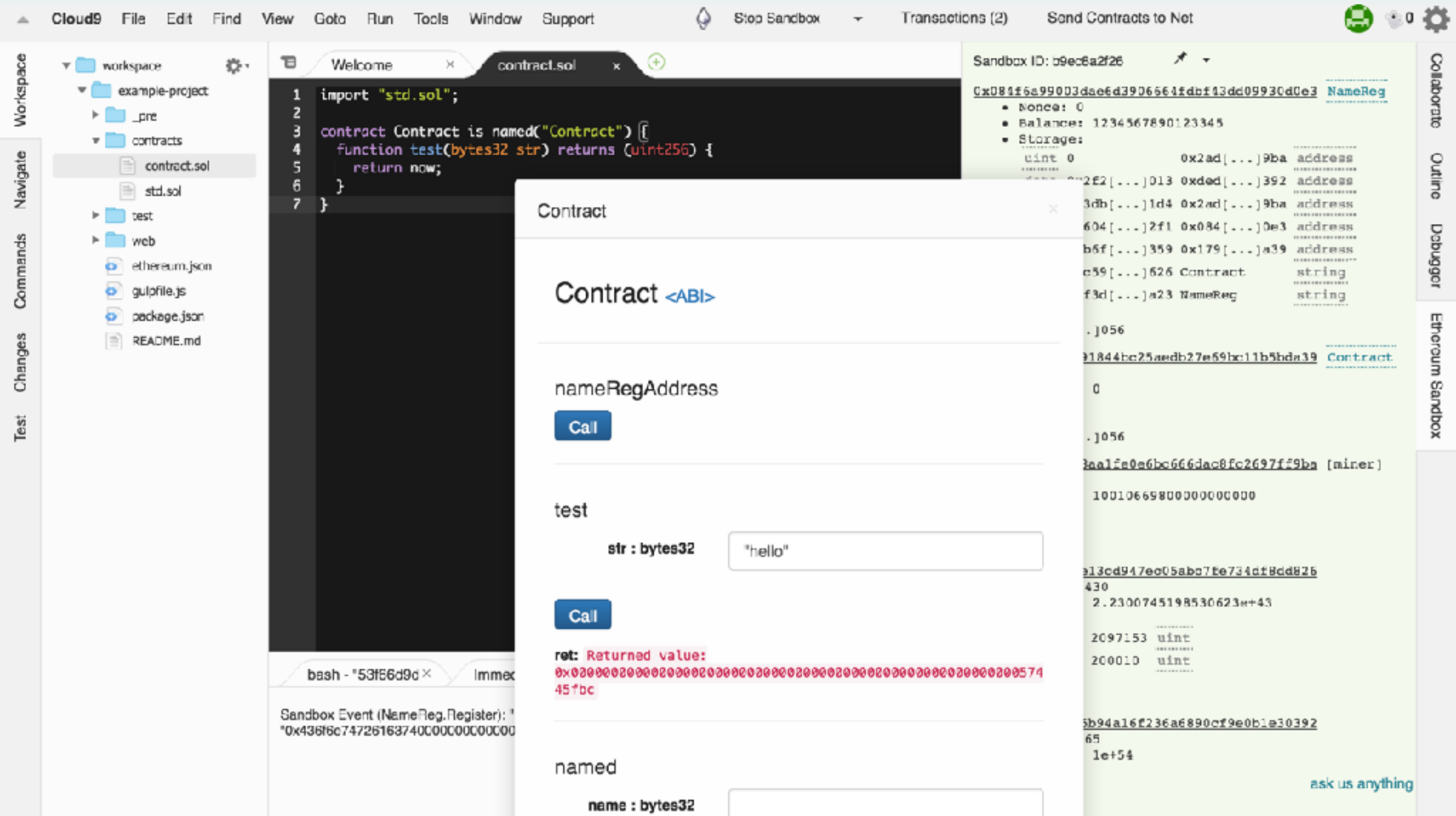
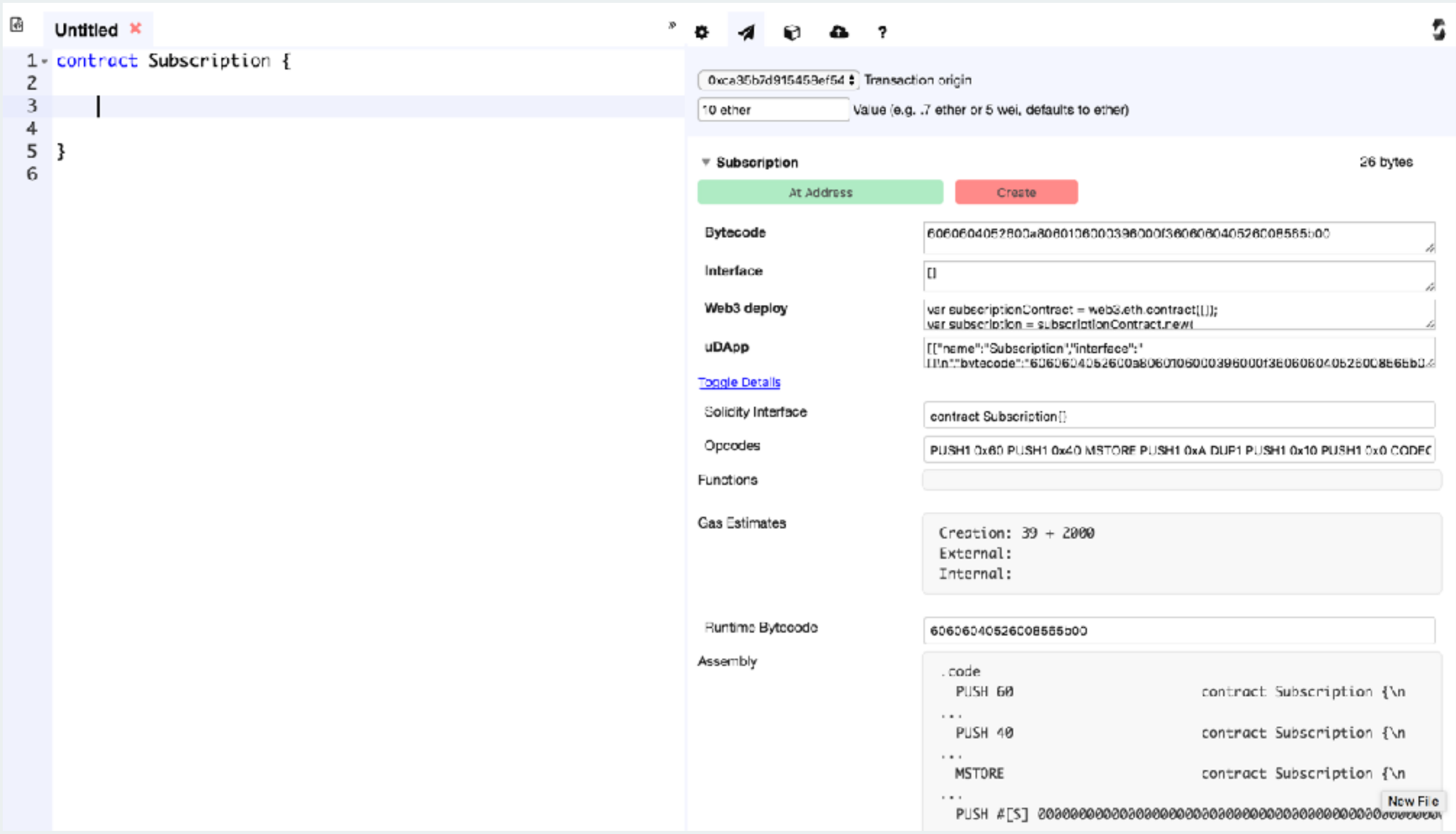
Ethereum Studio



ethereum Remix IDE



Solidity

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Solidity

C/Java/JS-like syntax

Compiler: solc

Available debuggers: Remix, Ethereum Studio

This workshop: solc 0.4.10 (latest)

Reference at: https://solidity.readthedocs.io/

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Developer writes contract with functions

Compiler generates

init code

dispatcher

At deployment the

contract constructor

is executed

```
pragma solidity >= 0.4.10;
contract Sample {

    uint value;

    function Sample(uint initial) {
        set(initial);
    }

    function set(uint v) {
        value = v;
    }

    function get() returns (uint) {
        return value;
    }

}
```

Solidity

```
pragma solidity >= 0.4.10;
contract Sample {
```

compiler version

starts a contract block

contract name

unsigned int 256 bit

type

```
    uint value;
```

variable in contract storage

initialised to 0 by default

variable name

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function name argument type name

```
function Sample(uint initial) {
    set(initial);
}
```

function call of set with argument inital

Function with same name as contract = constructor
Runs once at deployment

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```
function set(uint v) {
    value = v;
}
```

sets the storage of the variable value to v

return value type

```
function get() returns (uint) {
    return value;
}
```

terminates function and returns value

modifier code might still run (!)

```
}
```

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Message

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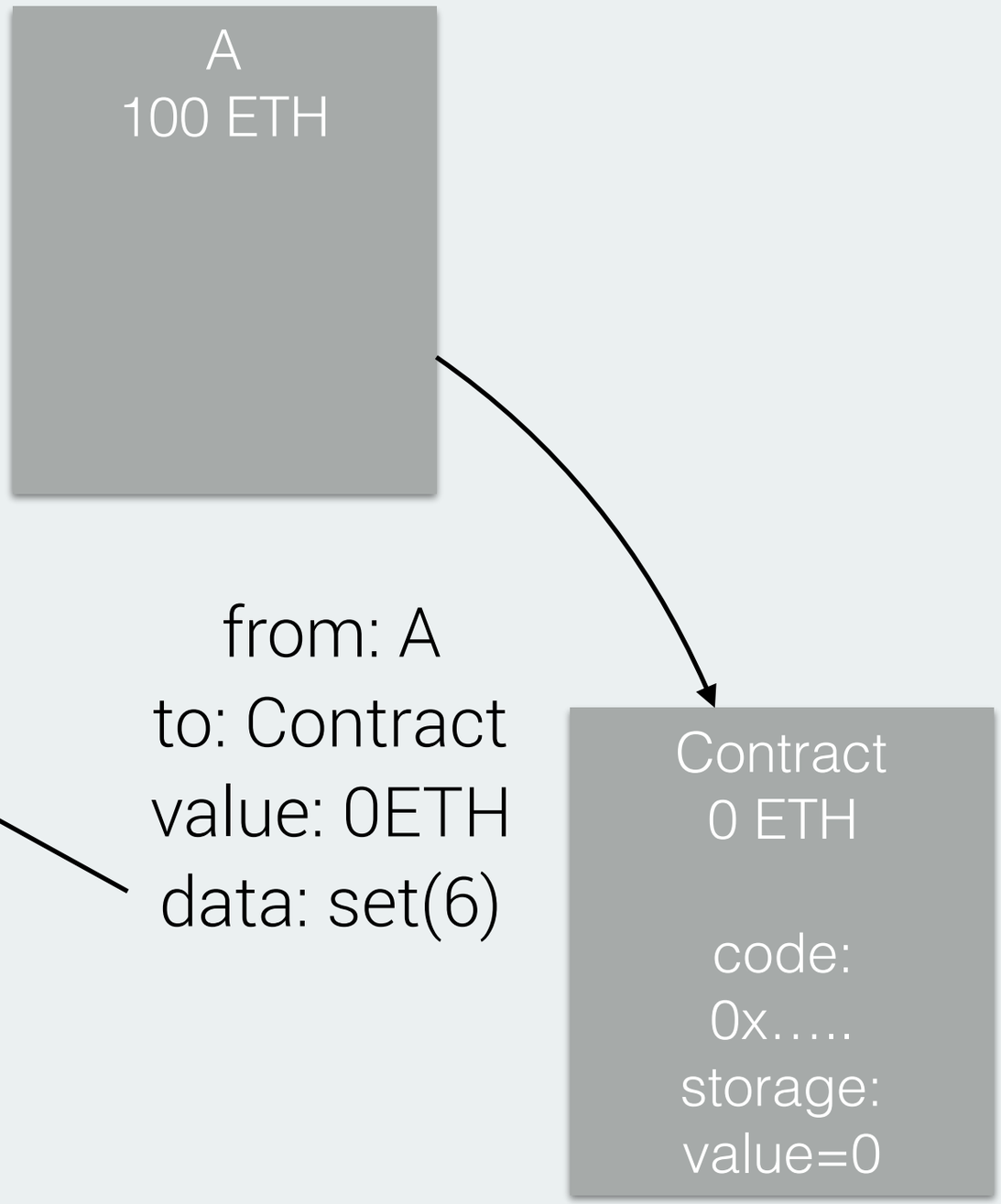

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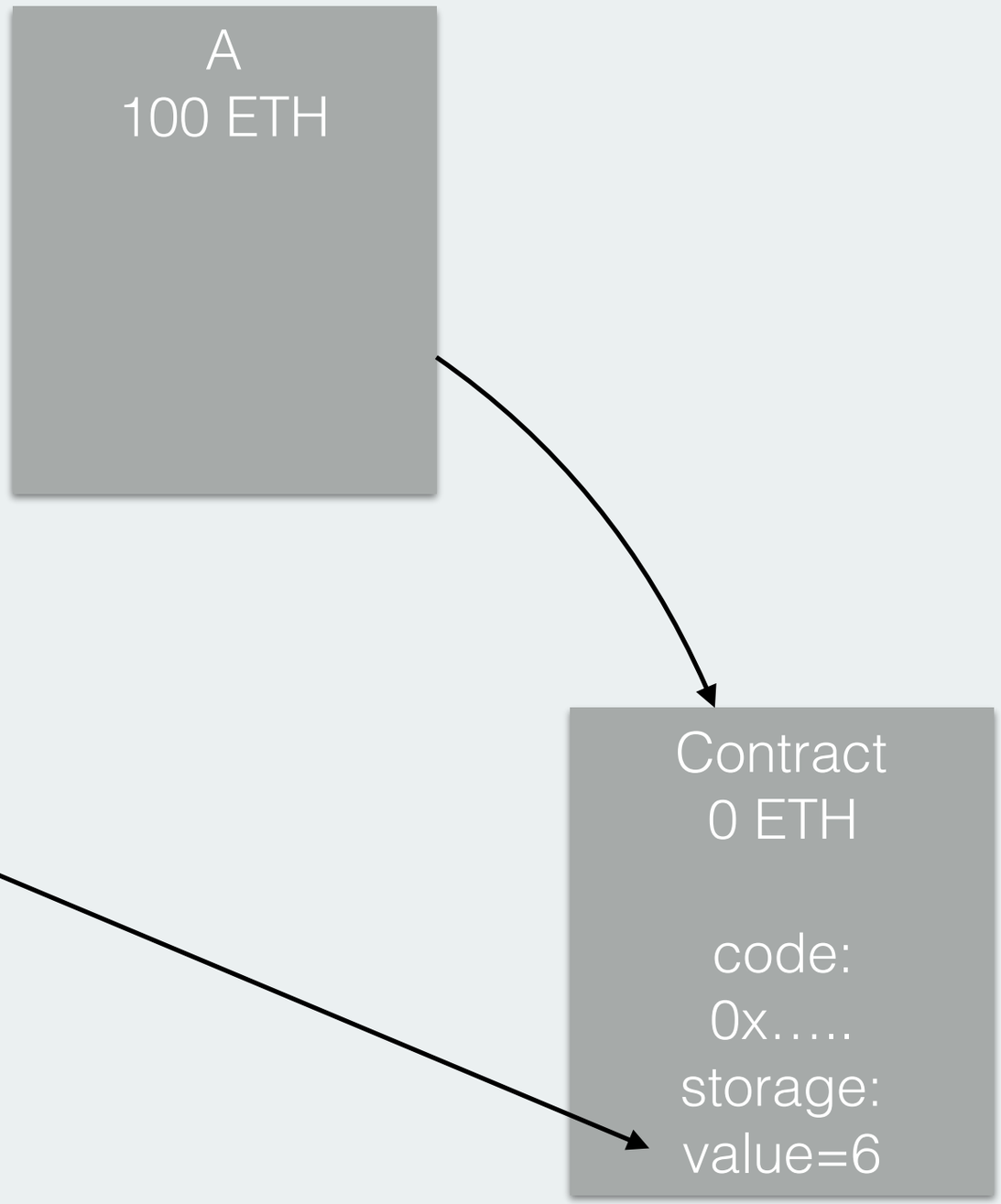

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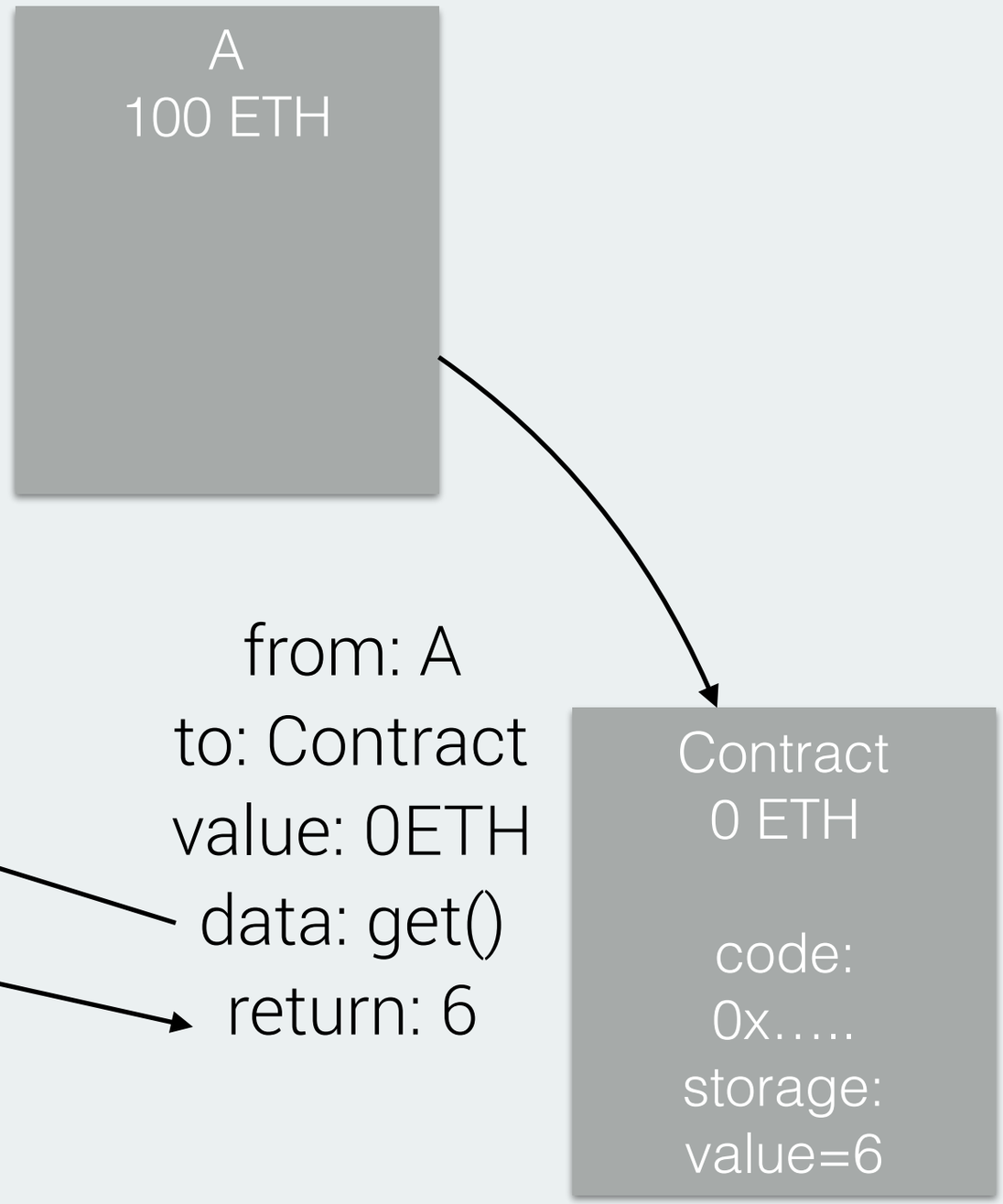

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Crowdfunding

Simple old contract by Vitalik

modified for solidity 0.4.10

uses almost all features covered in this workshop

has some design issues

=> security issues

=> good example of what not to do

Types

“Standard” types:

bool

int: Signed 256 bit Integer (other sizes available)

uint: Unsigned 256 bit Integer (other sizes available)

Array: Static and Dynamic

String (Unicode)

Enum

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Special types:

Address: 160 bit for ethereum address

Fields: **balance**

Functions: **send**, call, callcode, delegatecall

Mapping (hashtable-like):

maps from one solidity type to another

contains all keys at construction

Contract Types:

Inherits from address

Contract-specific functions

```
contract Sample {
  address a = 0x3049280948ffa0afafaffffffffafffff9789372;
  mapping (address => uint) balances;
  Sample otherContract;
}
```

Control Flow

If

```
function f (uint x) returns (uint) {
    if (x > 5) {
        return 3;
    } else {
        return 4;
    }
}
```

ethereum Control Flow

For (can be very dangerous)

```
for (uint a = 0; a < 99; a++) {

}
```

While / Break

```
while(true) {
  break;
}
```

Control Flow

Crowdfund: Refund in case of failed campaign

```
for (uint i = 0; i < funders.length; ++i) {
    var funder = funders[i];
    funder.addr.transfer(funder.amount);
    FundTransfer(funder.addr, funder.amount, false);
}
```

ethereum Control Flow

Crowdfund: Refund in case of failed campaign

unbounded for-loop

```
for (uint i = 0; i < funders.length; ++i) {
    var funder = funders[i];
    funder.addr.transfer(funder.amount);~21k gas
    FundTransfer(funder.addr, funder.amount, false);
}
```

200 participants = > 4.2m gas, above current global gaslimit

this

this.balance: gets the balance of the **executing** contract

this.function(): calls a function by message

you cannot access storage variables with this!

ethereum Public Variables

declare a variable as public

-> Automatic getter generation (no setter!)

```
contract Sample {

    uint public value;

    function Sample(uint initial) {
        set(initial);
    }

    function set(uint v) {
        value = v;
    }

}
```

generates value() function

Globals

msg.

sender: immediate caller of the function

value: wei sent in the current message

gas: remaining gas available for the current message

tx. (shared by all messages)

origin: original creator of the transaction

gasprice: global gasprice

Globals

block.

coinbase: miner of the block

difficulty

timestamp: in unix time (solidity also has synonym "now")

blockhash

number: number of blocks since genesis

Special cryptographic functions (e.g. sha3)

ethereum Globals

```
contract Sample {

    uint public value;
    uint public timestamp;
    address public setter;
    uint public burn;

    function Sample(uint initial) {
        set(initial);
    }

    function set(uint v) payable {
        value = v;
        timestamp = block.timestamp;
        setter = msg.sender;
        burn = msg.value;
    }

}
```

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Events for writing to the log (light clients, UIs, etc.)

```
contract Sample {
    event GotWei(uint amount);

    function () payable {
        GotWei(msg.value);
    }

}
```

like functions
but with event keyword
no body

Exercise #1

Trusted data feed

Contains only one readable integer

Can only be changed by the creator

Change Event

Field can be read by other contracts

relevant globals: msg.sender

hint:

many similarities to Sample

creator is sender in constructor

Modifier

Modifiers for code reuse

```
modifier afterDeadline() { if (now >= deadline) _; }

/* checks if the goal or time limit has been reached and ends the campaign */
function checkGoalReached() afterDeadline {
    if (amountRaised >= fundingGoal){
        // sends amountRaised wei to beneficiary account
        if (!beneficiary.send(amountRaised)) throw;
        FundTransfer(beneficiary, amountRaised, false);
    } else {
```

_; replaced by function body

modifier can still run after return!

Modifier

```
contract Sample {

    uint public value;

    modifier mod {
        _;
        value = 10;
    }

    function test() mod returns(bool) {
        value = 5;
        return true;
    }

}
```

after test()
value is 10
not 5

throw

creates an exception (invalid opcode)

execution aborts, state reverts

cannot be caught on contract functions

all gas is used (alternative "revert" coming soon)

```
/* throw if the offer has already been taken */
if(offer.status != Status.OFFERED) throw;
/* throw if the sent value does not match the offer */
if(msg.value != offer.price) throw;
```

require

creates an exception if condition is not met

new in solidity 0.4.10

require(x); = if(!x) throw;

```
/* throw if the offer has already been taken */
require(offer.status == Status.OFFERED);
/* throw if the sent value does not match the offer */
require(msg.value == offer.price);
```

Sending Ether

Every address or contract object

has a send method, takes the amount in wei

```
function doSomething() {
    address recipient = 0x0;
    uint amount = 50 ether;

    var success = recipient.send(amount);
    if(!success) throw;
    if(!recipient.send(amount)) throw;
}
```

returns false if message does not succeed (does not throw!)

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Transfer Ether

transfer method, takes the amount in wei

new in solidity 0.4.10

addr.transfer(x); = if(!addr.send(x)) throw;

```
function doSomething() {
    address recipient = 0x0;
    uint amount = 50 ether;

    recipient.transfer(amount);
}
```

Transfer Ether

Crowdfund: Refund in case of failed campaign

```
for (uint i = 0; i < funders.length; ++i) {
    var funder = funders[i];
    funder.addr.transfer(funder.amount);
    FundTransfer(funder.addr, funder.amount, false);
}
```

Transfer Ether

Crowdfund: Refund in case of failed campaign

```
for (uint i = 0; i < funders.length; ++i) {
    var funder = funders[i];
    funder.addr.transfer(funder.amount); might throw!
    FundTransfer(funder.addr, funder.amount, false);
}
```

One bad actor can block all refunds!

Transfer Ether

Crowdfund: Refund in case of failed campaign

```
for (uint i = 0; i < funders.length; ++i) {
    var funder = funders[i];
    funder.addr.send(funder.amount);
    FundTransfer(funder.addr, funder.amount, false);
}
```

Transfer Ether

Crowdfund: Refund in case of failed campaign

```
for (uint i = 0; i < funders.length; ++i) {
    var funder = funders[i];
    funder.addr.send(funder.amount); does not throw
    FundTransfer(funder.addr, funder.amount, false);
}
```

Refunds could be lost forever

ethereum Receiving Ether

```
contract Forwarder {
    function forward(address recipient) payable {
        recipient.transfer(msg.value);
    }

    /* default function */
    function() payable {}
}
```

Functions reject ether by default

If a function can be called with ether

explicit modifier **payable** necessary!

Exercise #1.5

Trusted data feed

Contains only one field

Can only be changed by the creator

Change Event

Field can be read by other contracts **(for a fee)**

Fee forwarded to creator

relevant globals: msg.value, throw

Example

Subscription Contract

Manages **one** subscription

Recipient: can withdraw PRICE wei per TIME

Creator: can cancel if there are not outstanding payments

relevant:

address.send(value): send value wei to address

block.timestamp: unix timestamp (in seconds)

ethereum Contract Calls

Coerce address into contract type

Call the function on that

.value() to send wei

.gas() to limit gas

```
token public tokenReward;
Funder[] public funders;
mapping (address => bool) public
```

```
// Coerce an address into a contract type
tokenReward = token(_reward);
```

```
// sends a sendCoin message to the tokenReward contract
tokenReward.sendCoin(msg.sender, amount / price);
```

```
tokenReward.sendCoin.value(10).gas(1000)(msg.sender, amount / price);
```

Warning: Recursion possible!

ethereum Structs

```
/* data structure to hold information about campaign contributors */
struct Funder {
    address addr;
    uint amount;
}
```

```
// push an additional value onto the array
var funder = Funder({addr: msg.sender, amount: amount});
```

```
if (!funder.addr.send(funder.amount)) throw; /* P
FundTransfer(funder.addr, funder.amount, false);
```

Arrays

```
Funder[] public funders;
```

dynamically sized array (starting with index 0)

push: adds a new element to the array

```
funders.push(Funder({addr: msg.sender, amount: amount}));
```

get element at index i

```
var funder = funders[i];
```

number of elements:

`funders.length` == index of the next pushed element

Solidity

functions can have multiple return values

retrieve values by deconstruction

```
function return2Values() returns (uint a, bool b) {
    a = 9;
    b = false;
}

function callThatFunction() {
    var (a,b) = return2Values();
}
```

ethereum Visibility

External

Can only be called by a message

Public (default)

Can be called by anyone

```
function f() private { }
function g() public { }
function h() external { }
function i() internal { }
```

Private

Can only be called by the contract itself

Internal

Cannot be called by a message

Enums

```
/* Status enum for the 3 possible states */
enum Status { OFFERED, TAKEN, CONFIRMED}
```

```
/* set status to confirmed */
offer.status = Status.CONFIRMED;
```

```
/* throw if offer is not taken */
if(offer.status != Status.TAKEN) throw;
```

"Advanced"

EPM - Ethereum Package Manager

Many dev frameworks (e.g. truffle)

JS / solidity based unit testing

selfdestruct - potentially dangerous (!)

"Advanced"

Import other files

Contract inheritance

Code from ancestor copied into child

Still only one contract

and much more...

Exercise #3

Market Contract

Seller can add offers (with name and price)

Buyer can take offers (by sending the right amount)

Buyer can confirm the offer (and release funds)

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The End

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