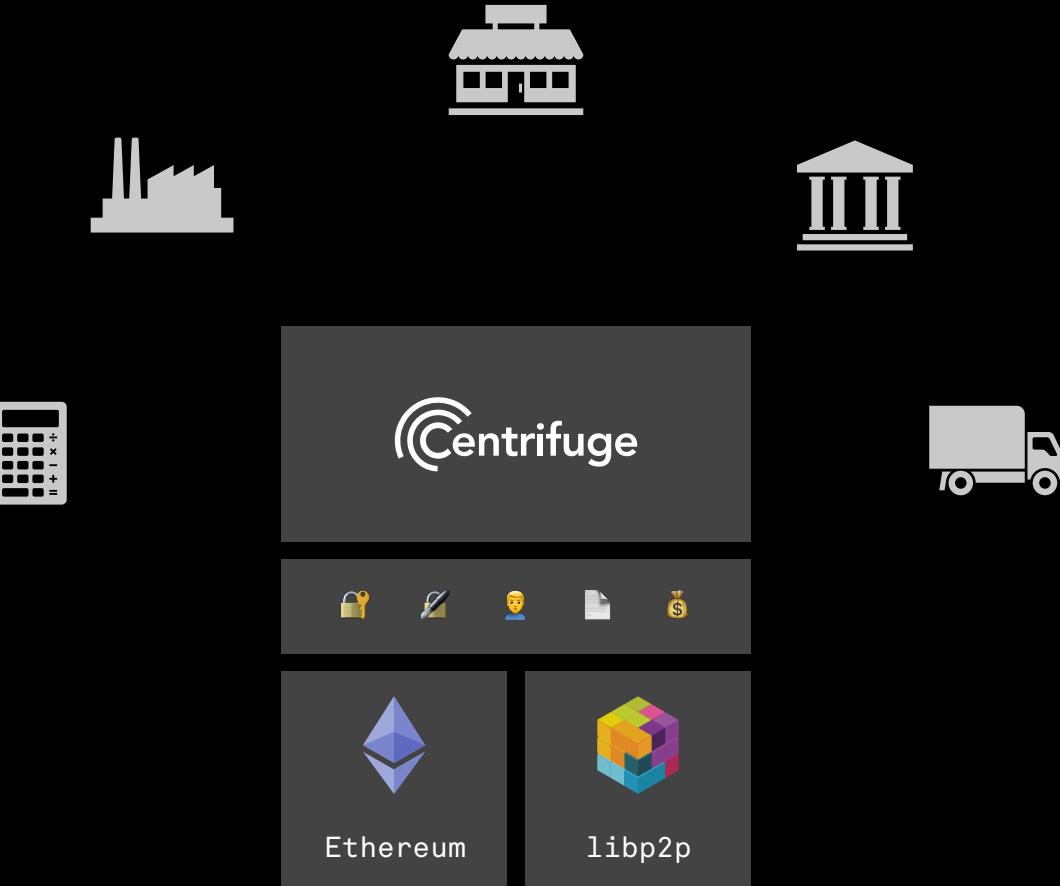




Layer 2 made easy

Implement a payment channel with libp2p

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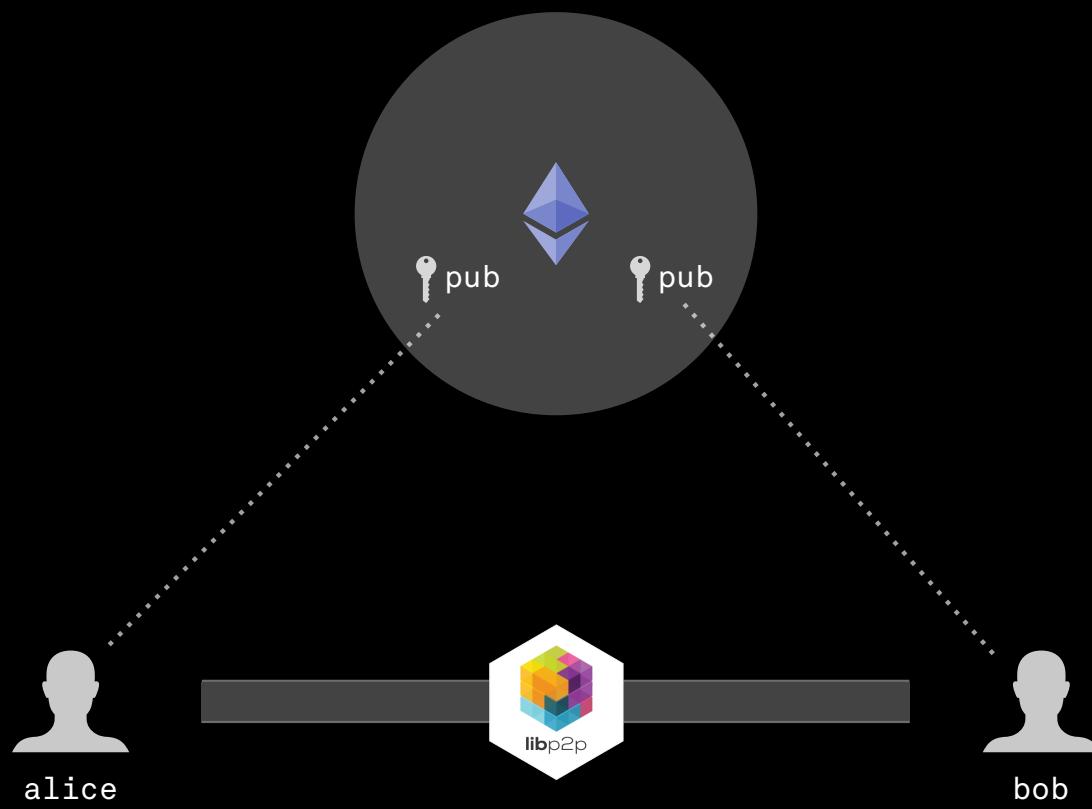


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public · global consensus · on-chain standards

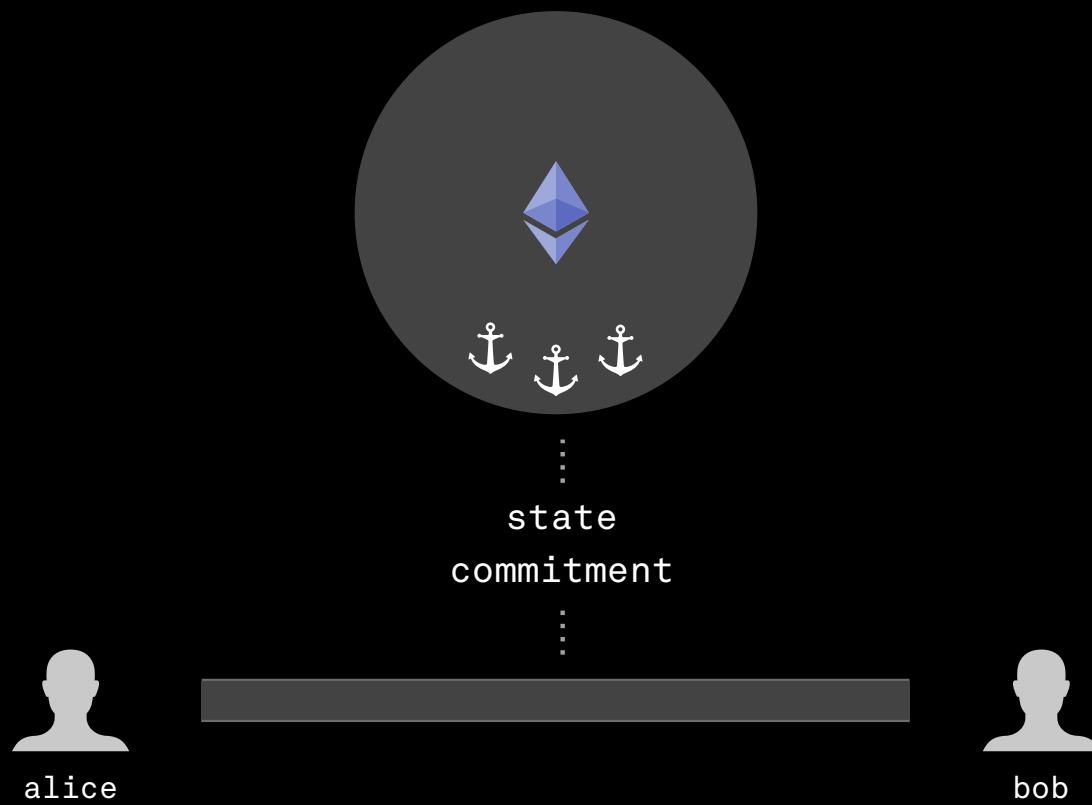


channels/documents
private · building business graph

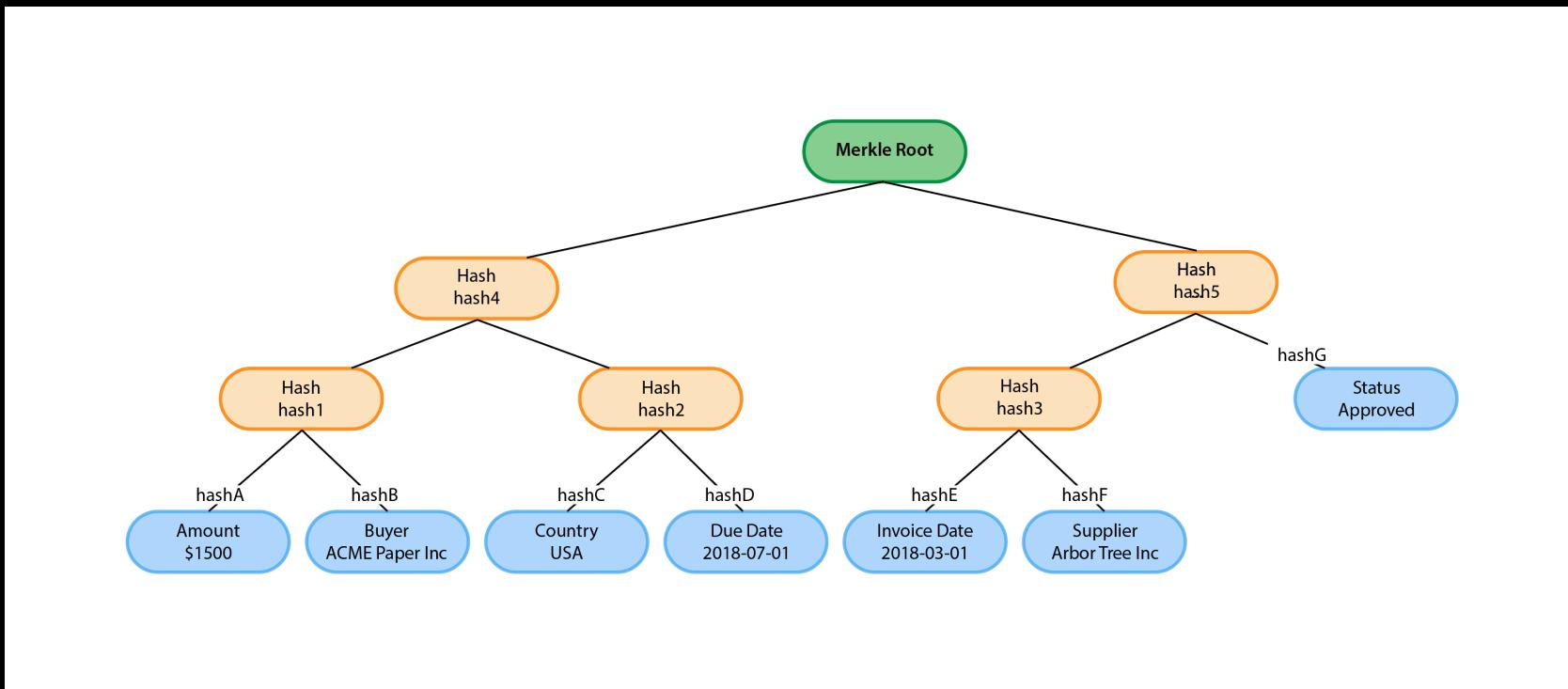
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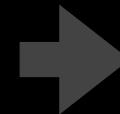
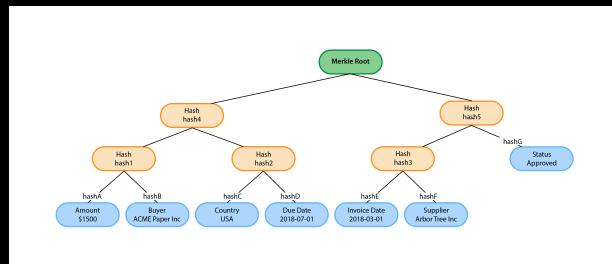
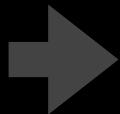


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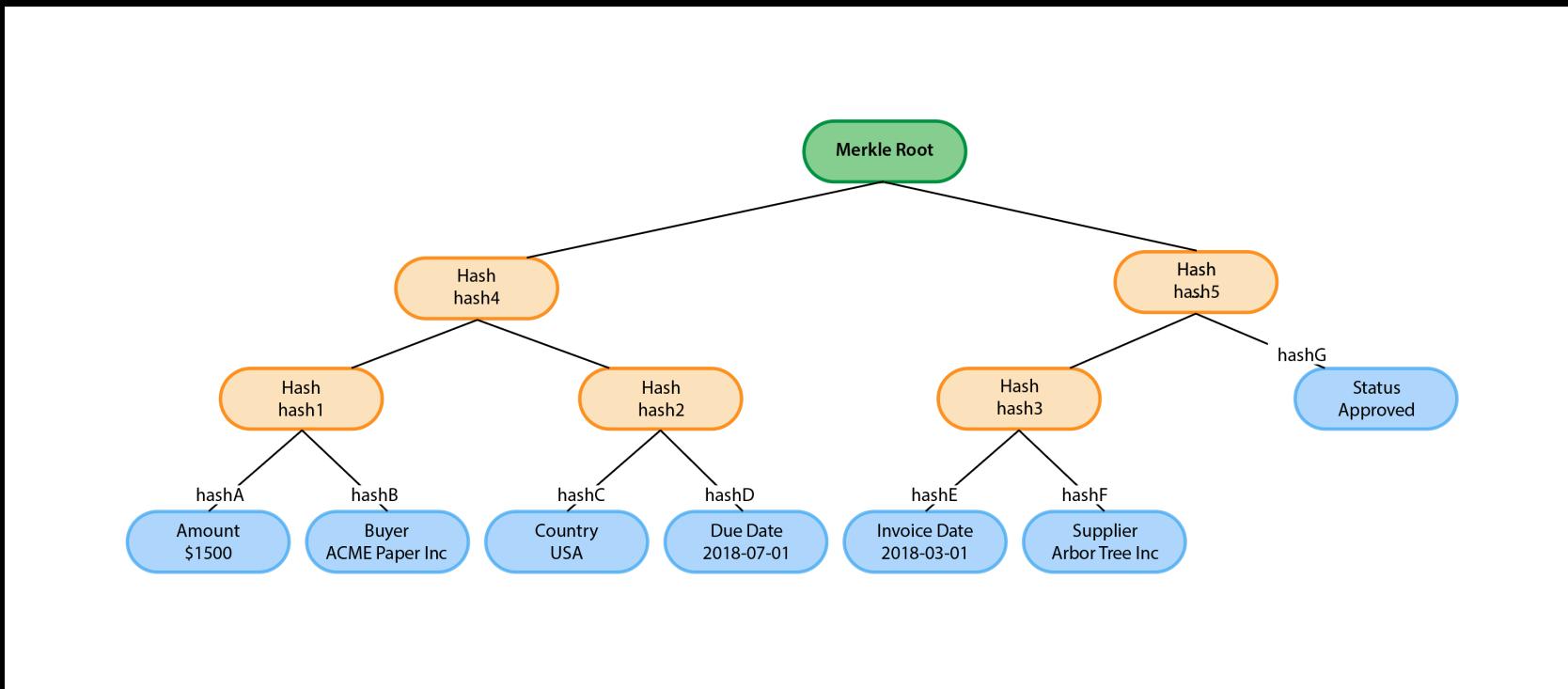


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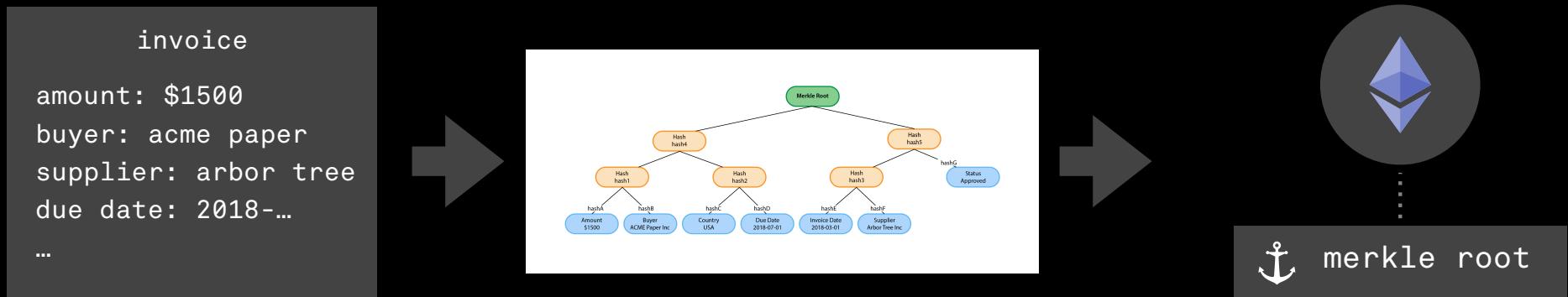
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invoice  
amount: $1500  
buyer: acme paper  
supplier: arbor tree  
due date: 2018-...  
...
```



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`precise-proofs`: validate tx details instead of tx signature in a block



<https://github.com/centrifuge/precise-proofs>

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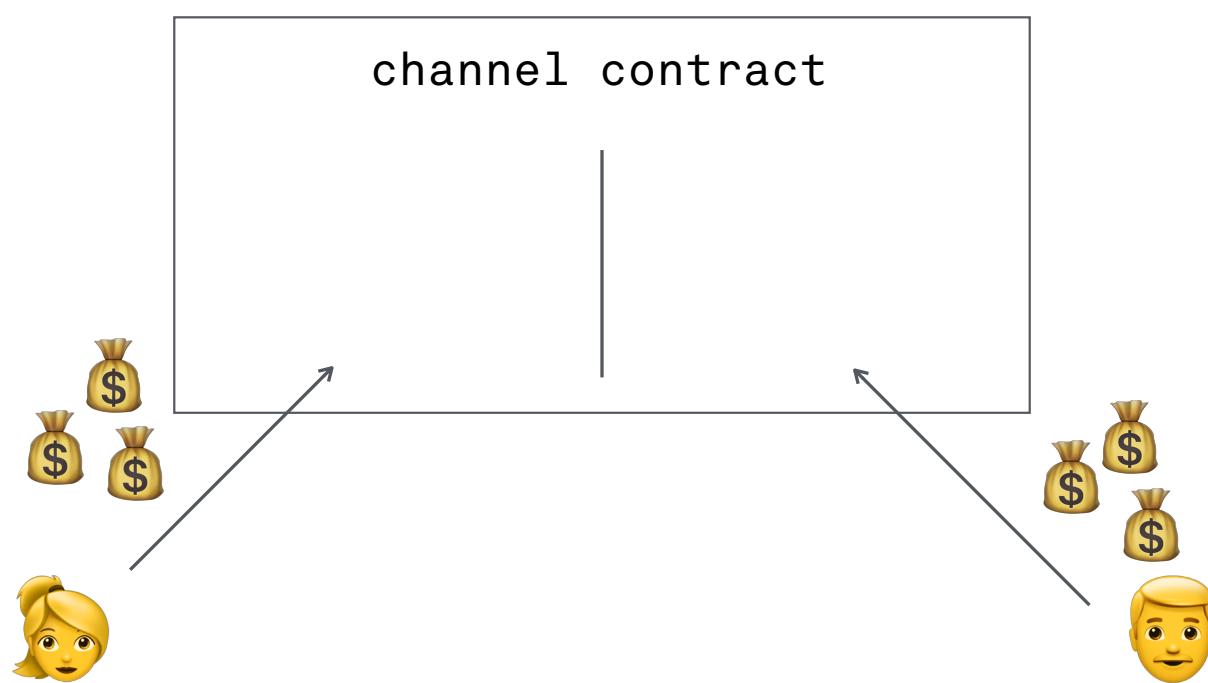
the story of alice & bob

channel contract



fund contract

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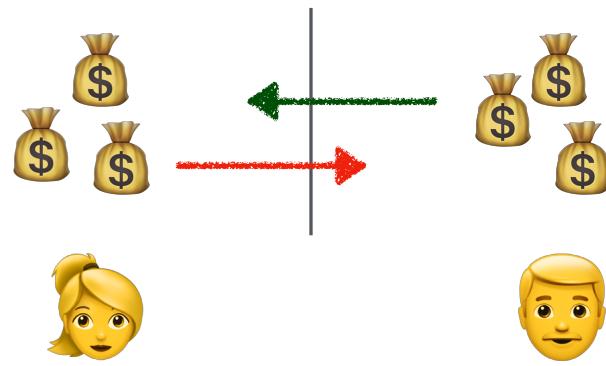
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manipulate balance



bob can only reduce his balance
alice can only reduce her balance

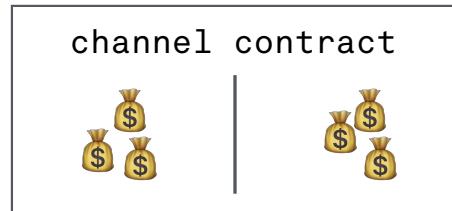
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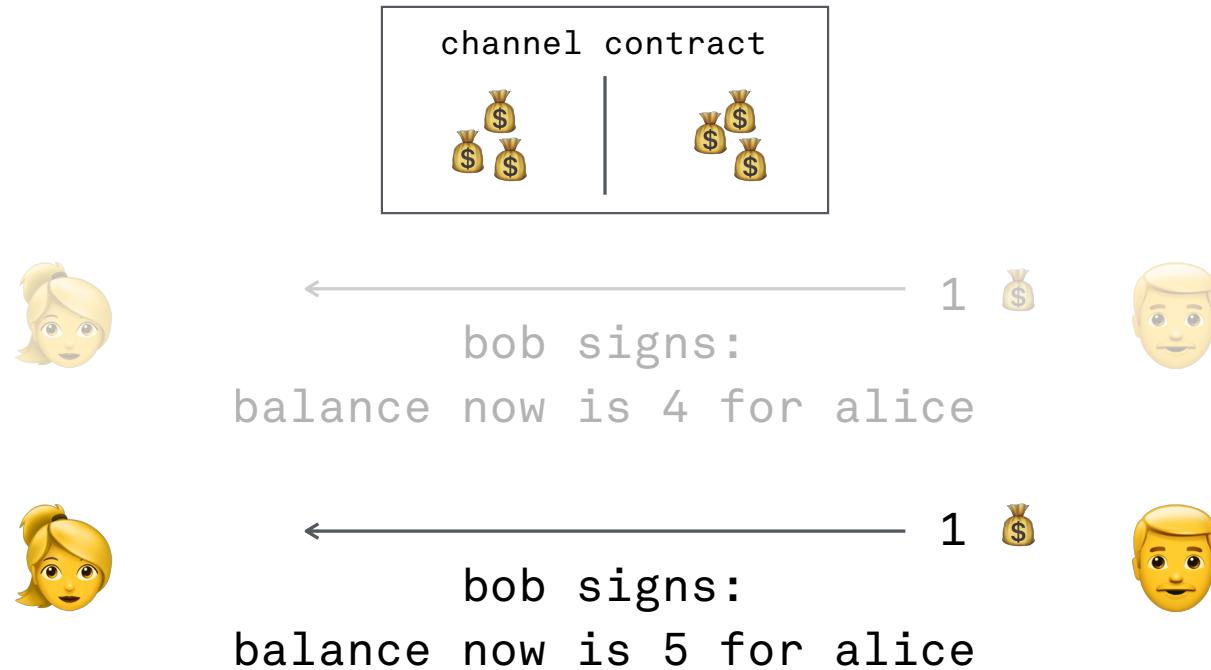


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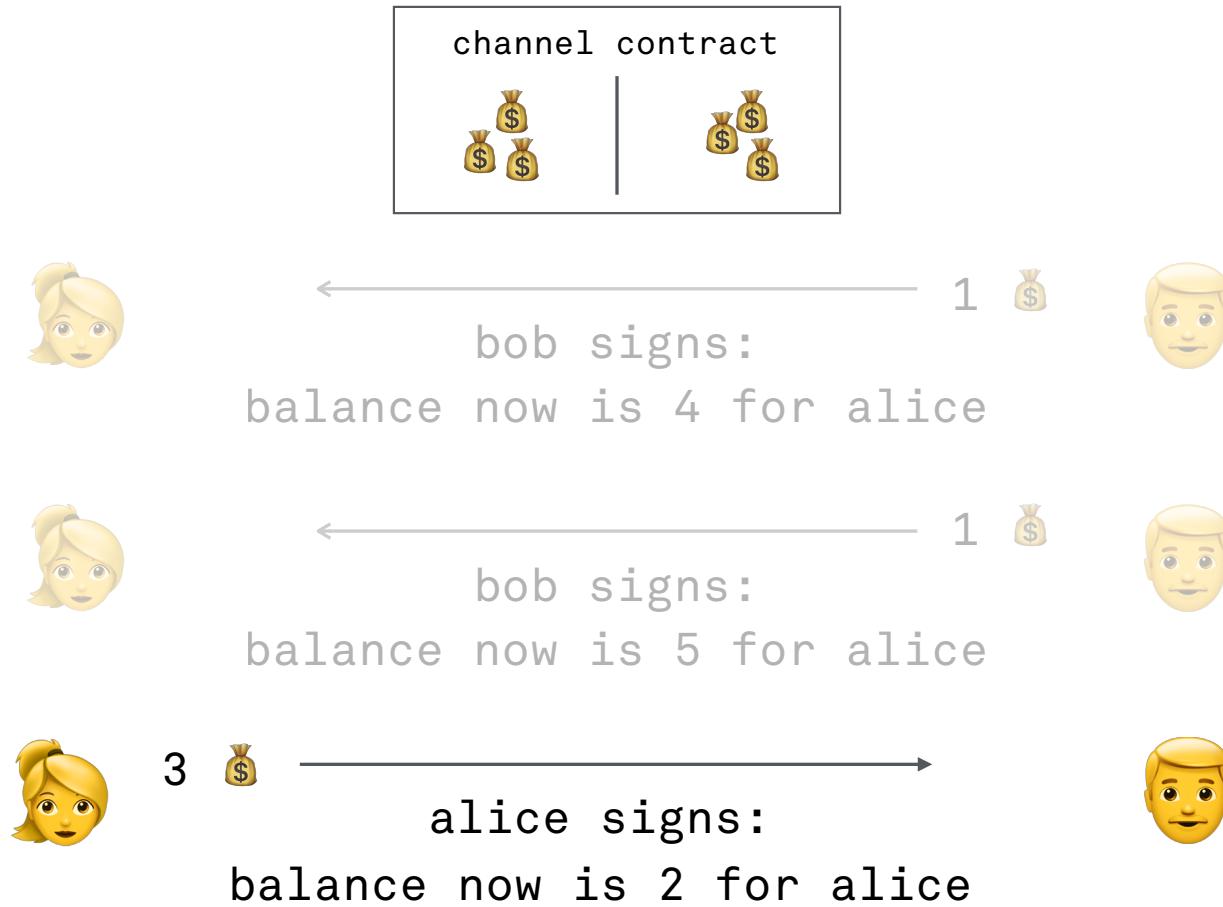
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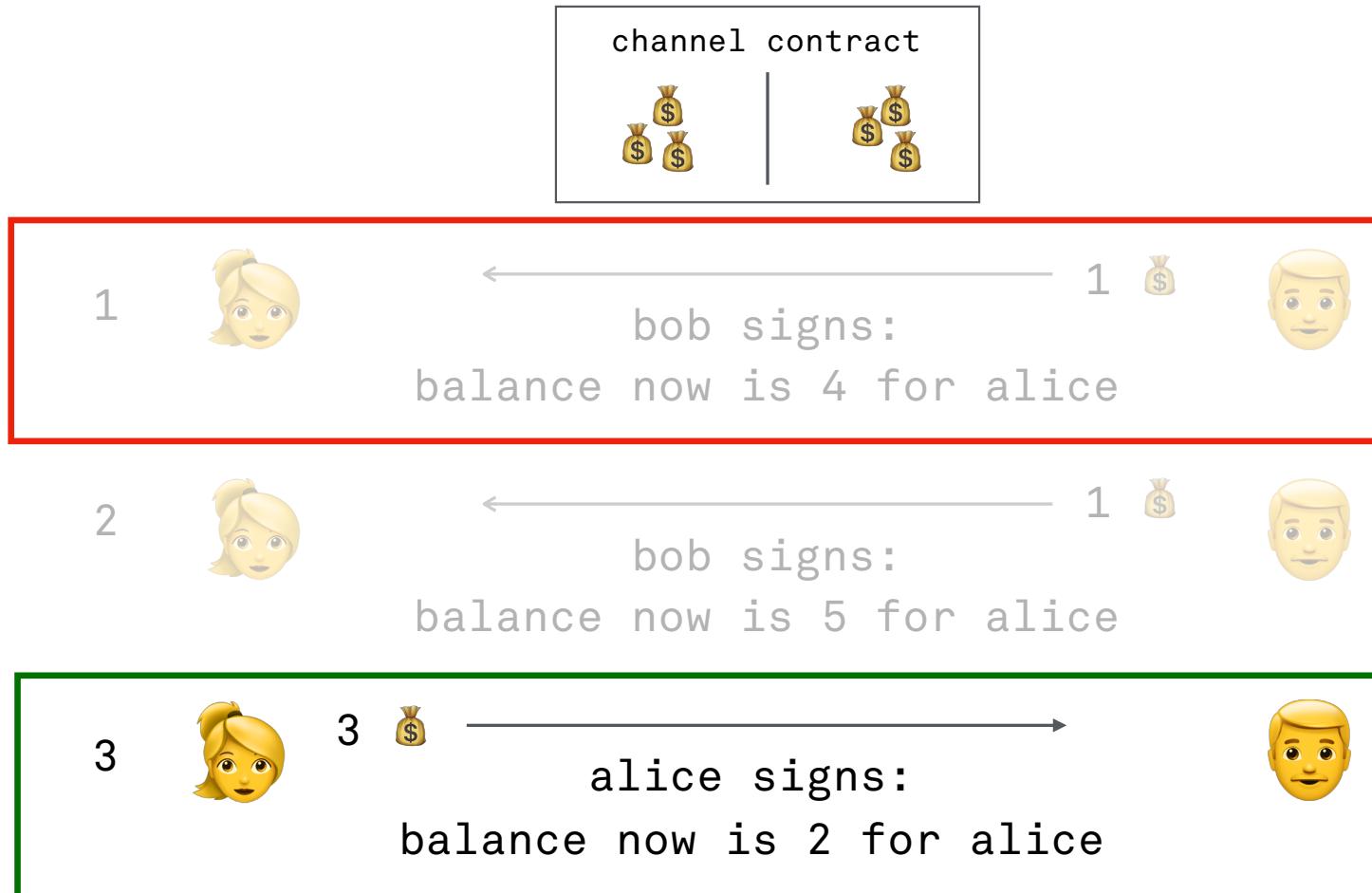
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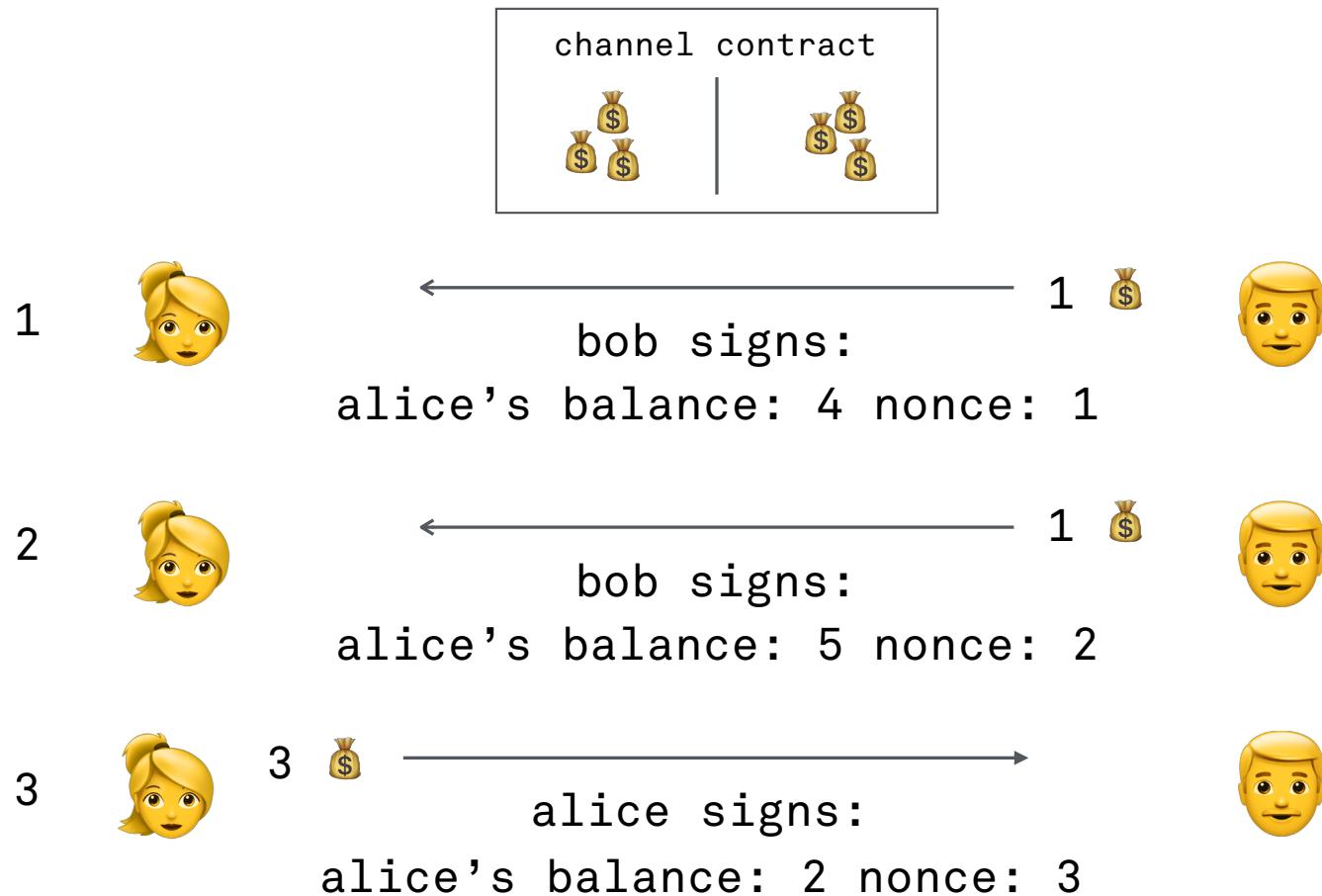
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settling with an outdated state



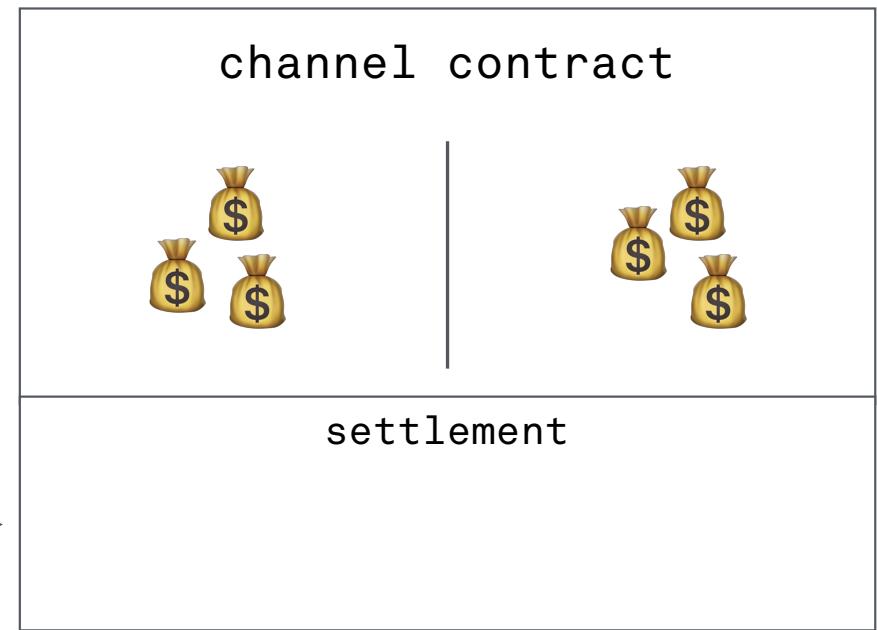
Settlement on chain



Settlement



balance: 2
nonce: 3
signed alice



settlement



balance: 2
nonce: 3
signed alice



channel contract

Two groups of three gold money bags with dollar signs on them, separated by a vertical line.

settlement

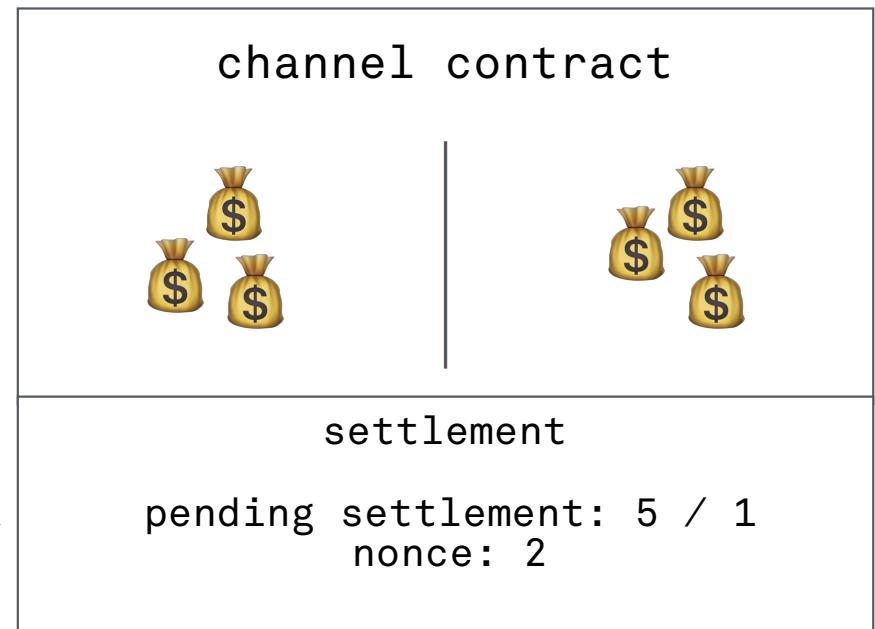
pending settlement: 2 / 4

nonce: 3

settlement



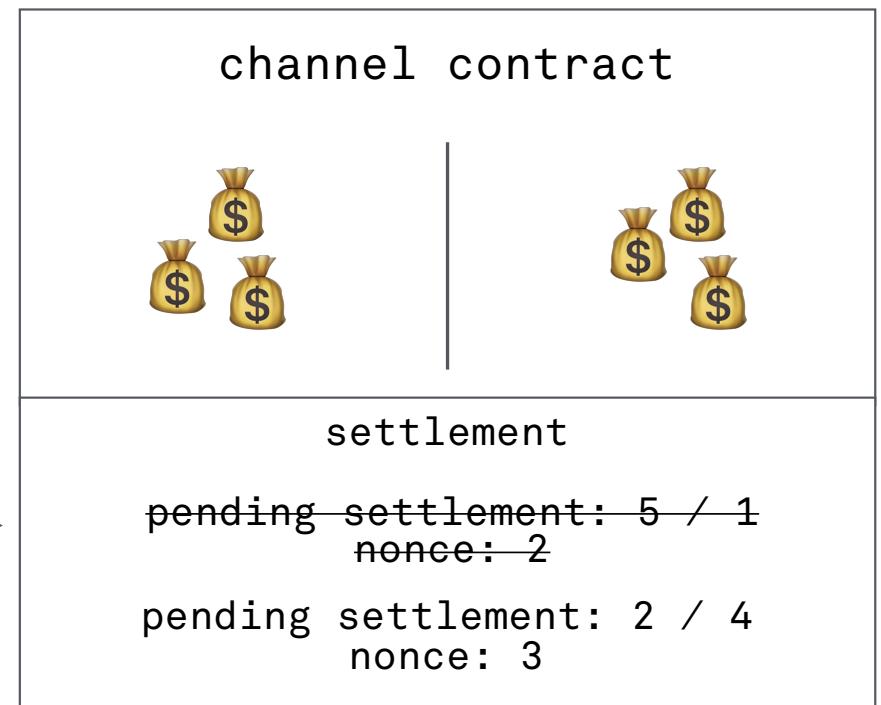
balance: 5
nonce: 2
signed bob





balance: 2
nonce: 3
signed bob

settlement



settlement



balance: 2
nonce: 3
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tick tock



channel contract

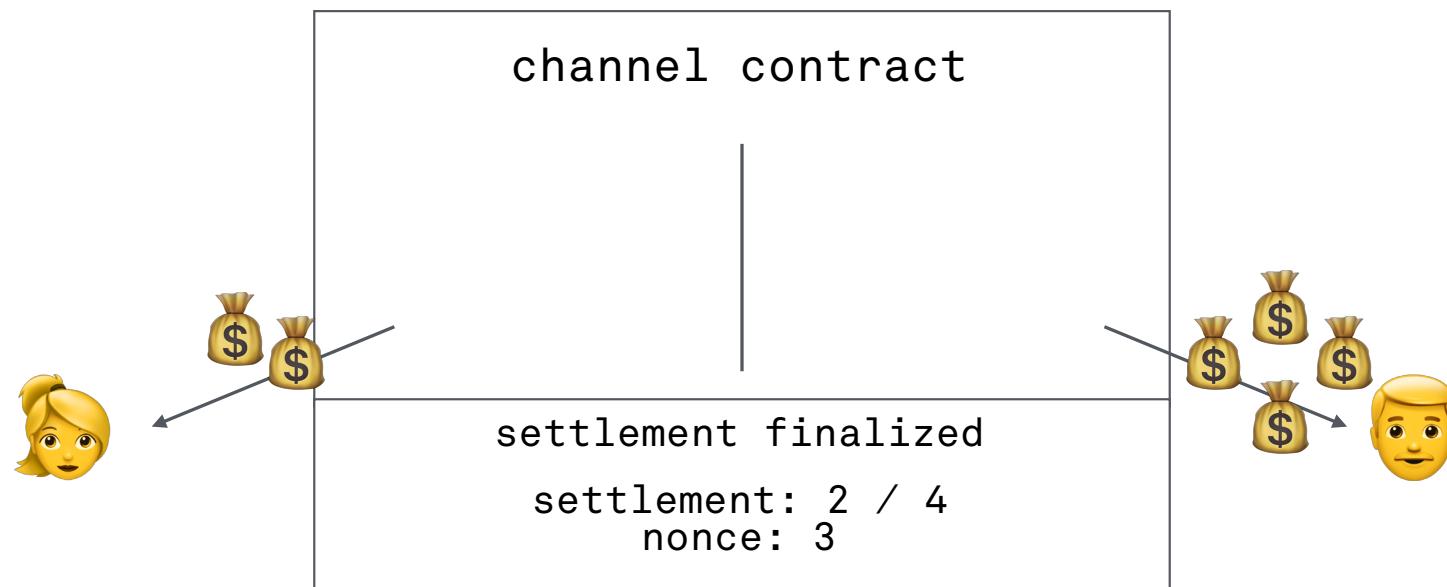


settlement

pending settlement: 5 / 1
nonce: 2

pending settlement: 2 / 4
nonce: 3

final settlement



message

when updating a channel:

- only make an update that reduces your balance
- include an increased nonce
- sign it with your key

settlement

when settling a channel:

- proof that your state update is based on an update by the counterparty
- you should submit the most recent known state
- wait for the settlement period to pass
- request final settlement

libp2p

- go/rust/js (some of it works in browser)
- secio: DH key exchange and encryption (the SSL of p2p)
- dht: various ways to discover nodes
- nat hole punching
- routing/protocol translation: translate between two different transports

on to the code



<https://github.com/lucasvo/learning-paymentchannels>

Requirements

- you will need nodejs/npm & curl
- config.js has all the details for both nodes (alice & bob)
- run with NODE_ROLE=(alice|bob) to trigger either config
- calls.sh has all the curl commands to interact with the node
- ports needed:
 - 3000 & 3001 for node rest api
 - 10333 & 10334 for libp2p
 - 8545 for ganache rpc

repo overview

contracts/ - truffle contracts

node/ - nodejs app with skeleton for rest api & libp2p

```
$ cd contracts/  
$ npm install  
...  
$ cd node/  
$ npm install  
...
```

start ganache (test Ethereum chain)

```
$ cd contracts/  
$ npm run ganache
```

Shortcut for:

```
ganache-cli --gasLimit 4712388 --networkId 99999 -p 8545 -m \"tumble  
gas embody bright agree pony smoke laptop index sight shallow hungry\"
```

Starts an Ethereum test chain with preconfigured wallets

channel manager contract methods

create channel

fund channel

settle channel

release funds

```
contract ChannelManager {
    enum ChannelState {
        INITIALIZED, // 0
        PARTYA_FUNDED, // 1
        PARTYB_FUNDED, // 2
        ACTIVE, // 3
        PENDING_SETTLEMENT, // 4
        SETTLED // 5
    }
    struct Channel {
        address partyA;
        address partyB;
        ERC20 currency;
        uint32 balance;
        ChannelState state;
    }
    mapping(bytes32 => Channel) _channels;

    function createChannel(bytes32 channelId, address partyA, address partyB, ERC20 currency, uint32 balance) public {
        // Abort if channelId is taken
        require(_channels[channelId].partyA == address(0), "channelId is already taken");

        // Validate provided Channel options
        require(partyA != address(0) && partyB != address(0), "parties must be non zero addresses");
        _channels[channelId] = Channel(partyA, partyB, currency, balance, ChannelState.INITIALIZED);
    }
}
```

fund

```
// fund will attempt to fund the channel by calling transferFrom on
// the currency by withdrawing from the specified from address
function fund(bytes32 _channelId) public {
    Channel storage channel = channels[_channelId];

    // Verify the sender is one of the two party and can fund the channel
    // - An initialized channel should only allow either A or B to fund
    // - A channel funded by A should only be fundable by B
    // - A channel funded by B should only be fundable by A
    require(
        (
            channel.state == ChannelState.INITIALIZED &&
            (channel.partyA == msg.sender || channel.partyB == msg.sender)
        ) ||
        (channel.state == ChannelState.PARTYA_FUNDED && channel.partyB == msg.sender) ||
        (channel.state == ChannelState.PARTYB_FUNDED && channel.partyA == msg.sender),
        "Can't fund channel"
    );
    channel.currency.transferFrom(msg.sender, this, channel.balance);

    if (channel.state == ChannelState.INITIALIZED) {
        if (msg.sender == channel.partyA) {
            channel.state = ChannelState.PARTYA_FUNDED;
        } else {
            channel.state = ChannelState.PARTYB_FUNDED;
        }
    } else {
        channel.state = ChannelState.ACTIVE;
    }
}
```

withdraw

```
// The withdraw method transfers the final amount to both parties whenever it is
// called and enough blocks have been mined since the last settlement transaction
function withdraw(bytes32 _channelId) public {
    Channel storage channel = channels[_channelId];
    require(channel.partyA == msg.sender || channel.partyB == msg.sender,
            "Can only be called by one of the two members");

    require(channel.state == ChannelState.PENDING_SETTLEMENT &&
            channel.settlementBlock + blockTimeout < block.number,
            "channel must be in pending settlement state and more than `blockTimeout` must have passed.");

    channel.currency.transfer(channel.partyA, channel.balanceA);
    channel.currency.transfer(channel.partyB, channel.balance*2-channel.balanceA);
    channel.state = ChannelState.WITHDRAWN;
}
```

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settle transaction

bob proves that alice sent him a state update with
nonce X and balance Y

settlement conditions:

- only allow settlement of non-settled channels
- nonce must be increased
- balance can't be more than total channel amount
- signature must be valid

for simplicity: we don't implement cooperative settlement &
settlement of self signed transaction

settle transaction

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    address counterparty = channel.partyB;
    if (channel.partyB == msg.sender) {
        counterparty = channel.partyA;
    }
}
```

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```
bytes32 message = keccak256(abi.encodePacked(_channelId, _nonce, _balanceA, counterparty));
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require(signer == counterparty, "message needs to be signed by counterparty");
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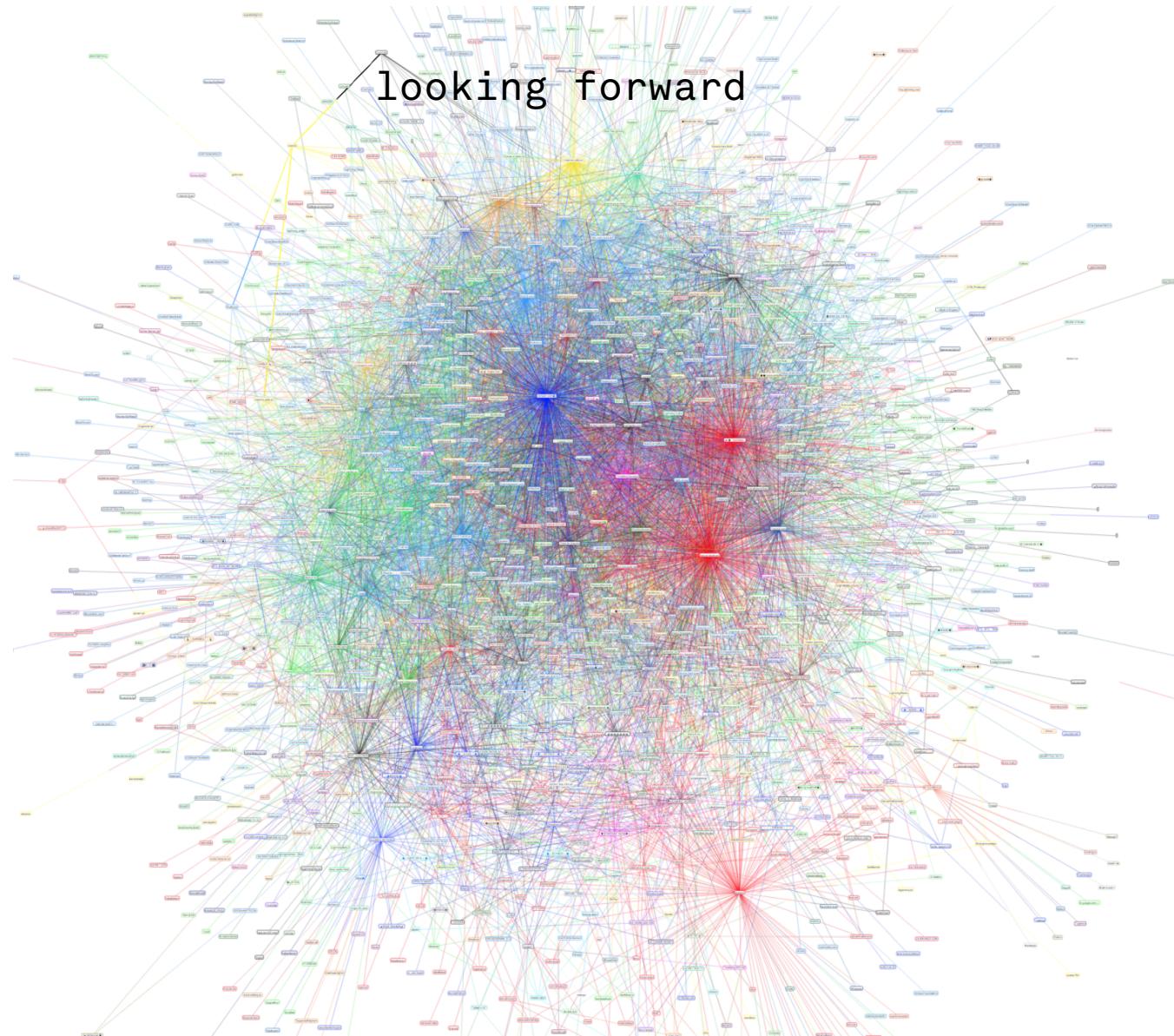
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channel.state = ChannelState.PENDING_SETTLEMENT;
}
```

looking forward



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multi hop payments

atomic multi path payments

onion routing

watchtowers

generalized state channels



resources

LibP2P with Go: <https://github.com/mikiquantum/rock-paper-scissors-demo/>

LibP2P Specs: <https://github.com/libp2p/specs>

Lightning RFC: <https://github.com/lightningnetwork/lightning-rfc>



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