



Cheap Contract Deployment

Through Clones

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Families of smart contracts

A brief overview

***UniswapV2 has over 30k
registered pairs***

***Argent factories have been
called over 35k times***

**In both cases, these adoption numbers
are contracts deployed on mainnet**

UniswapV2Pair

Contract 0xB4e16d0168e52d35CaCD2c6185b44281Ec28C9Dc

Buy Exchange Earn Gaming

Contract Overview

Uniswap V2: USDC 3

Balance:

0 Ether

Value:

\$0.00

Token:

\$202,531,886.27

More Info

My Name Tag: Not Available, login to update

Creator: 0x5c69bee701ef814a... at txn 0xd07c9de81731849...

Tracker: Uniswap USDC/ETH LP (UNI-V2)

Transactions Internal Txns Erc20 Token Txns Contract Events Analytics Info Comments

Code Read Contract Write Contract

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Contract Source Code Verified (Exact Match)

Contract Name: UniswapV2Pair

Compiler Version: v0.5.16+commit.9c3226ce

Optimization Enabled: Yes with 999999 runs


Other Settings: default evmVersion, GNU GPLv3 license

Contract Source Code (Solidity)

Outline More Options

```
1 - /**
2  *Submitted for verification at Etherscan.io on 2020-05-05
3  */
4
5  // File: contracts/interfaces/UniswapV2Pair.sol
6
7  pragma solidity >=0.5.0;
8
9  interface IUniswapV2Pair {
10     event Approval(address indexed owner, address indexed spender, uint value);
11     event Transfer(address indexed from, address indexed to, uint value);
12
13     function name() external pure returns (string memory);
14     function symbol() external pure returns (string memory);
15     function decimals() external pure returns (uint8);
16     function totalSupply() external view returns (uint);
17     function balanceOf(address owner) external view returns (uint);
18     function allowance(address owner, address spender) external view returns (uint);
19
20     function approve(address spender, uint value) external returns (bool);
21     function transfer(address to, uint value) external returns (bool);
22     function transferFrom(address from, address to, uint value) external returns (bool);
23
24     function DOMAIN_SEPARATOR() external view returns (bytes32);
25     function PERMIT_TYPEHASH() external pure returns (bytes32);
```

Creation cost: 2,513,386 gas, >\$560
(150Gwei/gas & \$1500/ETH)

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Argent Wallet

Contract

0xda53b03CdA5e6548aB6973d21D8D22Ea91aa7966

Buy

Exchange

Earn

Earning

Contract Overview

Balance:

0.00148527104 Ether

Value:

\$2.25 (@ \$1,515.68/ETH)

More Info

My Name Tag:

Not Available, [login to update](#)

Creator:

[0x40c84310ef15b0c0...](#) at txn [0xd753fb1128868e9...](#)

Transactions

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Code

Read Contract

Write Contract

Search Source Code

Contract Source Code Verified (Similar Match)

Note: This contract matches the deployed ByteCode of the Source Code for Contract [0xE1C7E723752BA...](#)

Contract Name:

Proxy

Optimization Enabled:

Yes with 999 runs

Compiler Version

v0.5.4+commit.9549d8ff

Other Settings:

default evmVersion, GNU GPLv3 license

Contract Source Code (Solidity)

Outline

More Options

```
1 - /**
2  *Submitted for verification at Etherscan.io on 2020-03-11
3  */
4
5  // Copyright (C) 2018 Argent Labs Ltd. <https://argent.xyz>
6
7  // This program is free software: you can redistribute it and/or modify
8  // it under the terms of the GNU General Public License as published by
9  // the Free Software Foundation, either version 3 of the License, or
10 // (at your option) any later version.
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12 // This program is distributed in the hope that it will be useful,
13 // but WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY; without even the implied warranty of
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15 // GNU General Public License for more details.
16
17 // You should have received a copy of the GNU General Public License
18 // along with this program. If not, see <http://www.gnu.org/licenses/>.
19
20 pragma solidity ^0.5.4;
21
22 /**
23  * @title Proxy
24  * @dev Basic proxy that delegates all calls to a fixed implementing contract.
25  * The implementing contract cannot be upgraded.
```

Creation cost: 919,704 gas, >\$200
(150Gwei/gas & \$1500/ETH)

Why so expensive?

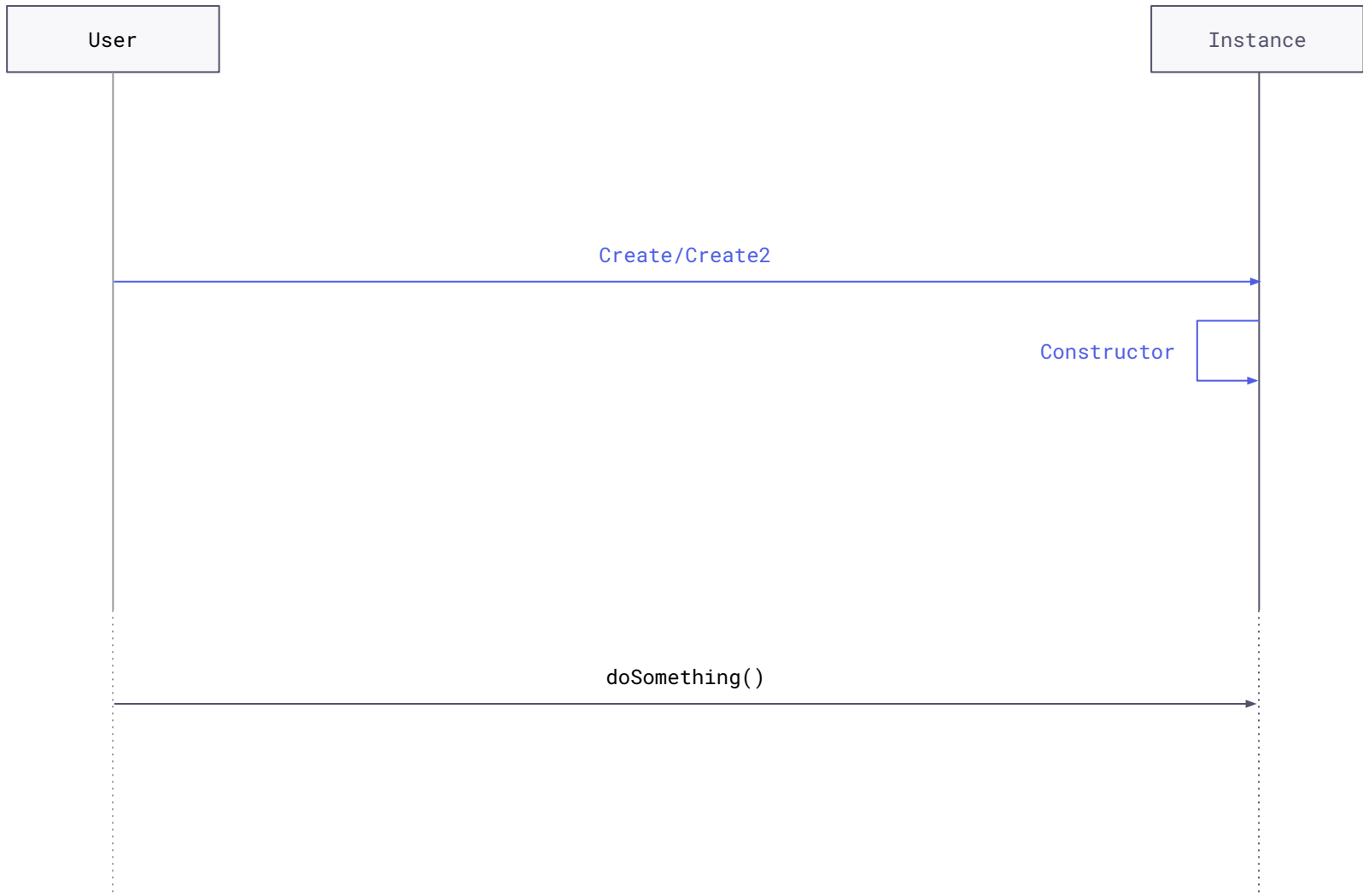
The cost of deploying a contract

Common factory workflow: the naive approach

- Initiate transaction
- Create a new contract
 - Constructor



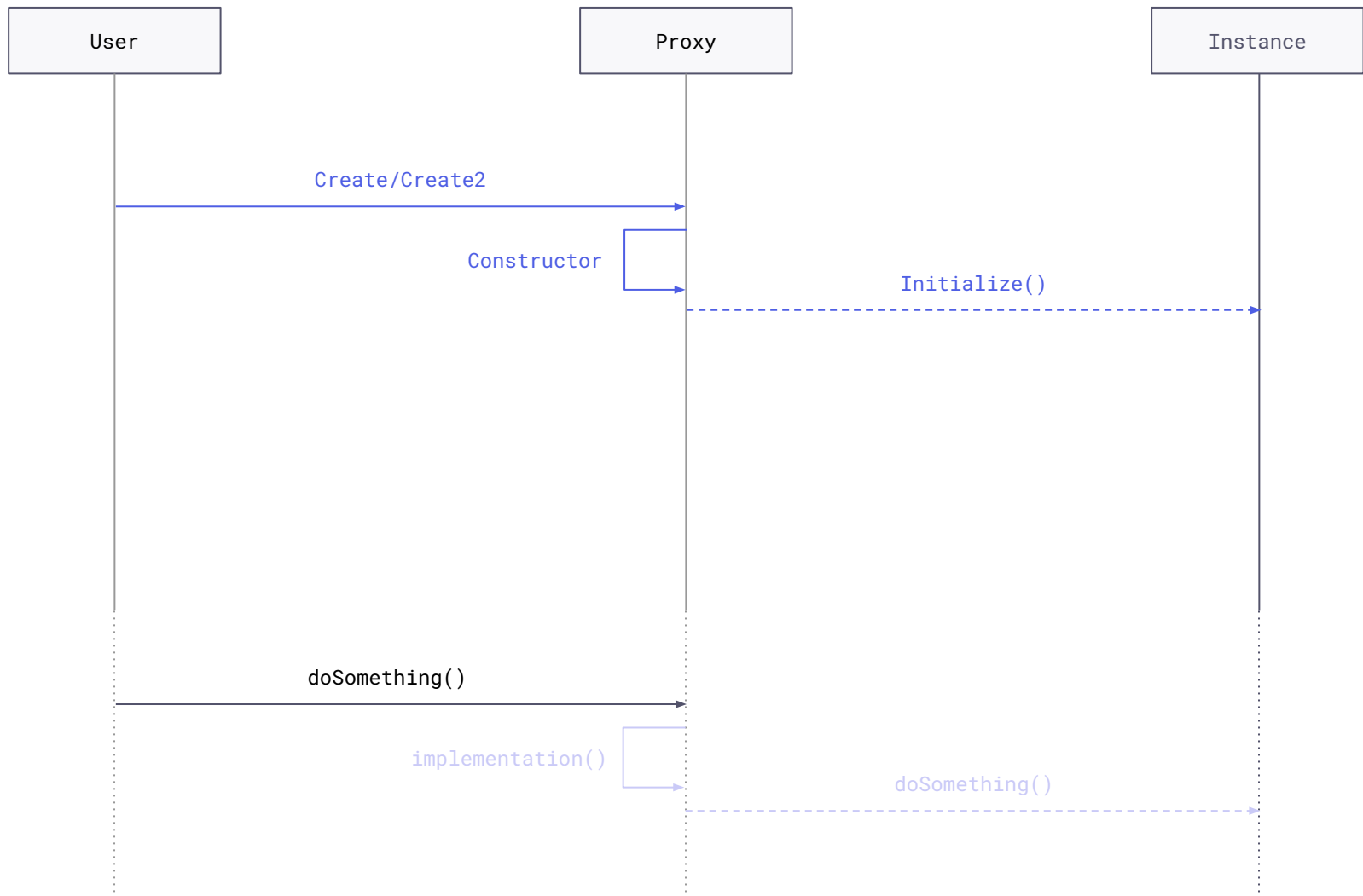
The very expensive part*



Alternative factory workflow: the proxy approach

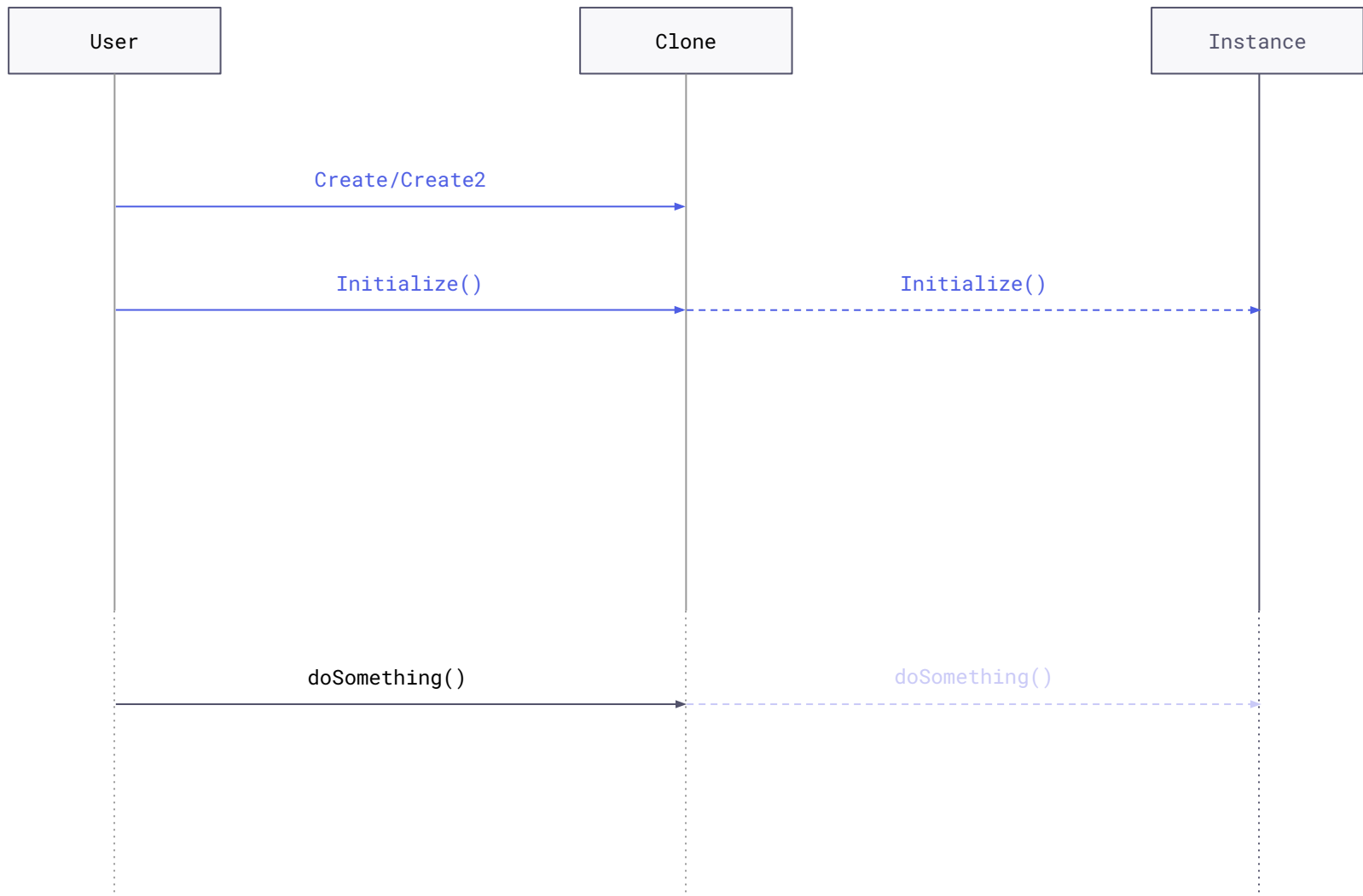
- Initiate transaction
- Create a new proxy
 - Constructor
 - Initialize the underlying logic

The expensive part*



Alternative factory workflow: the clone approach

- Initiate transaction
- Create a new clone (EIP1167)
- Initialize the underlying logic } **The not quite as expensive part***



Demo Time

Hands-on with the code

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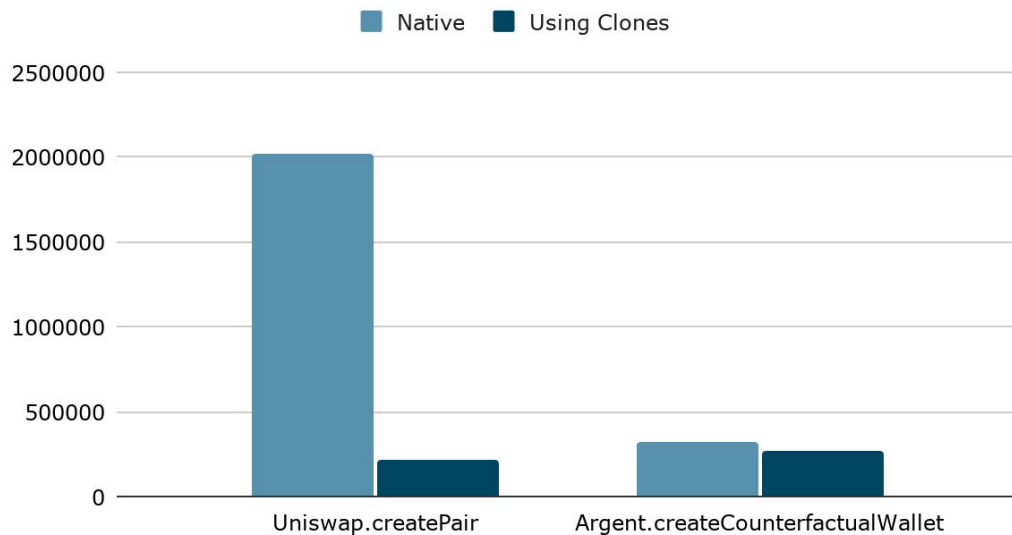
Clones are part of @openzeppelin/contracts

```
import "@openzeppelin/contracts/proxy/Clones.sol";
```

- ❖ function **clone(address)** returns (address)
- ❖ function **cloneDeterministic(address, bytes32)** returns (address)
- ❖ function **predictDeterministicAddress(address, bytes32)** view returns (address)
- ❖ function **predictDeterministicAddress(address, bytes32, address)** pure returns (address)

Cost of using clones compared to other methods

Gas usage



Advantages and drawbacks of clones

- Very cheap deployment
- Easily compatible current proxy based factories
- Cheaper to call than a “storage based” proxy
- Non upgradeable
- More expensive to call than a native contract (+700 gas/call)

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