Cheap Contract Deployment

Through Clones

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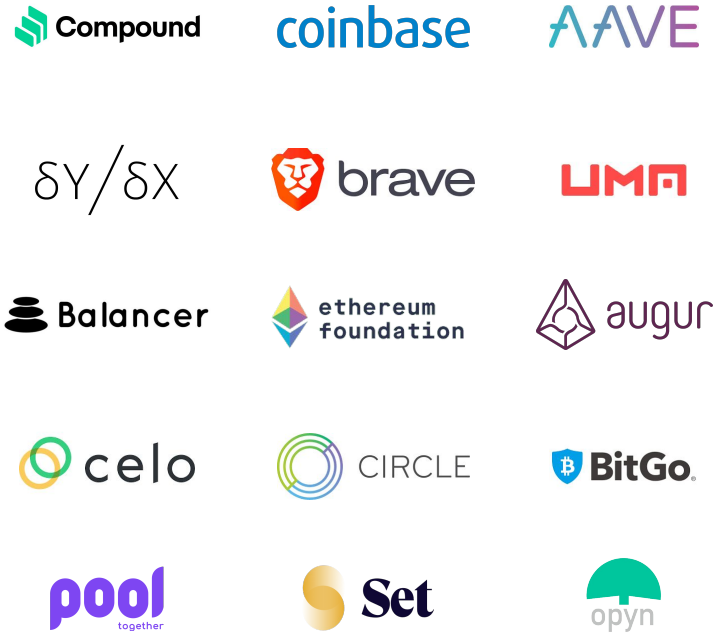

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Families of smart contracts

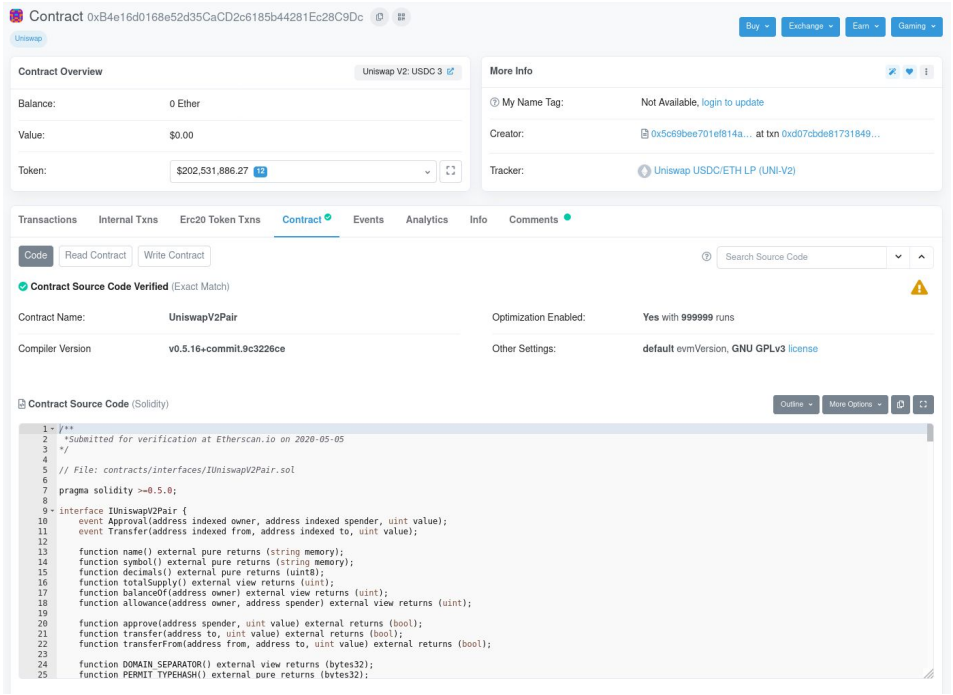
A brief overview

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

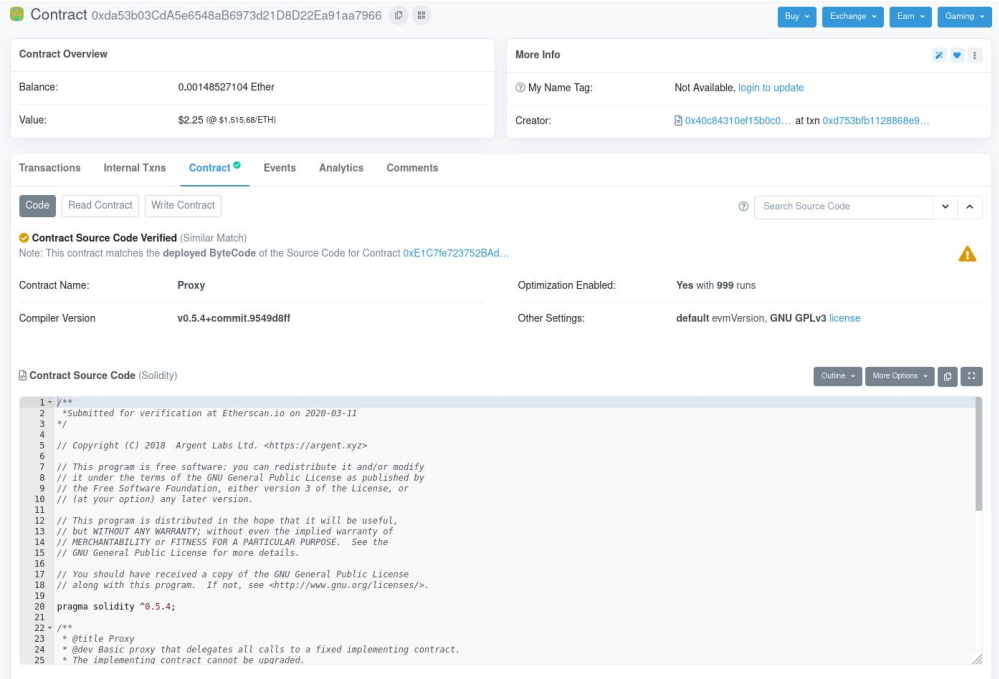
UniswapV2Pair



Creation cost: 2,513,386 gas, >$560

(150Gwei/gas & $1500/ETH)

Argent Wallet



Creation cost: 919,704 gas, >$200

(150Gwei/gas & $1500/ETH)

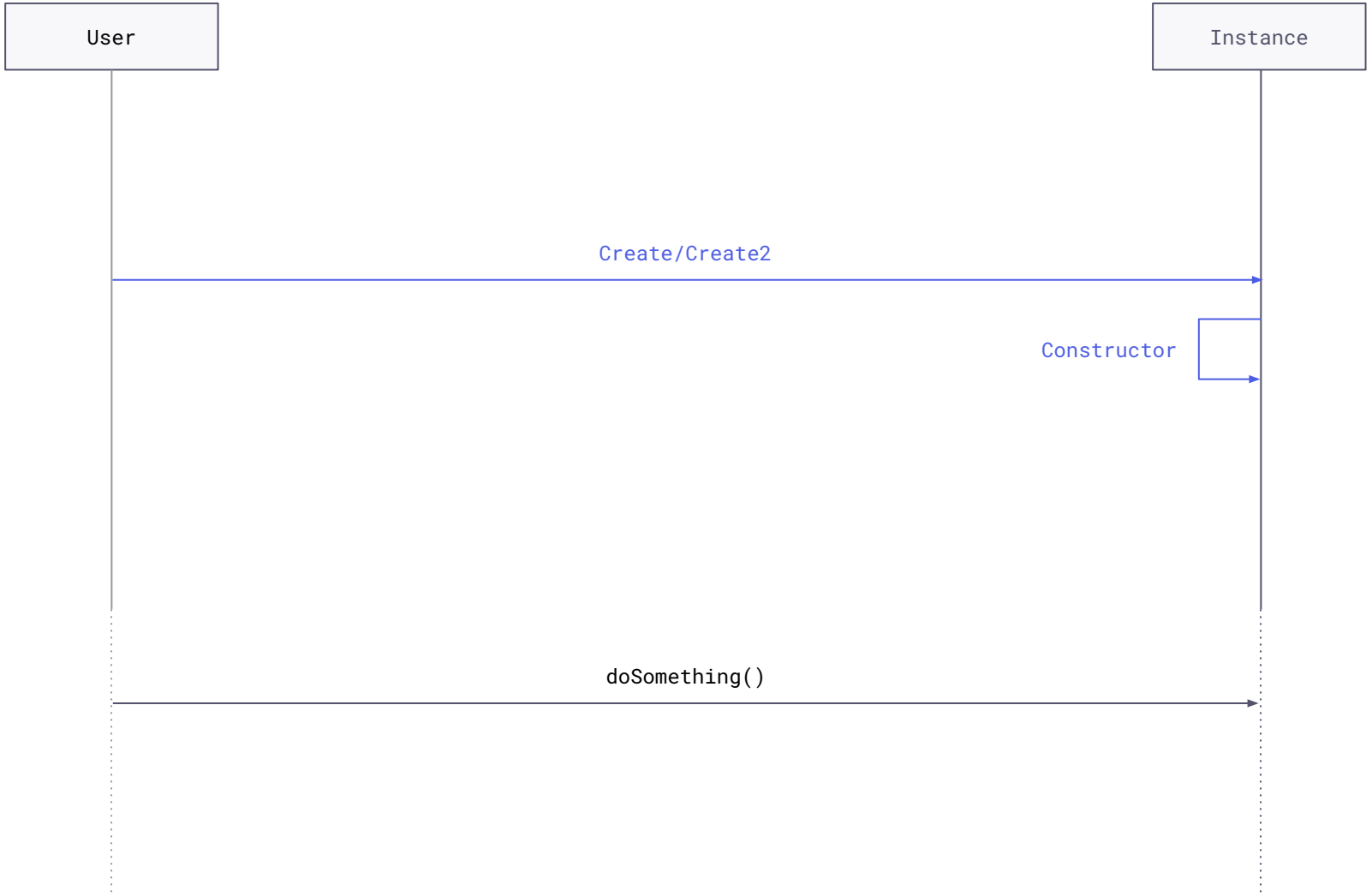
Why so expensive?

The cost of deploying a contract

Common factory workflow: the naive approach

- Initiate transaction
- Create a new contract
  - Constructor

The very expensive part*


User
Instance
Create/Create2
Constructor
doSomething()

Alternative factory workflow: the proxy approach

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

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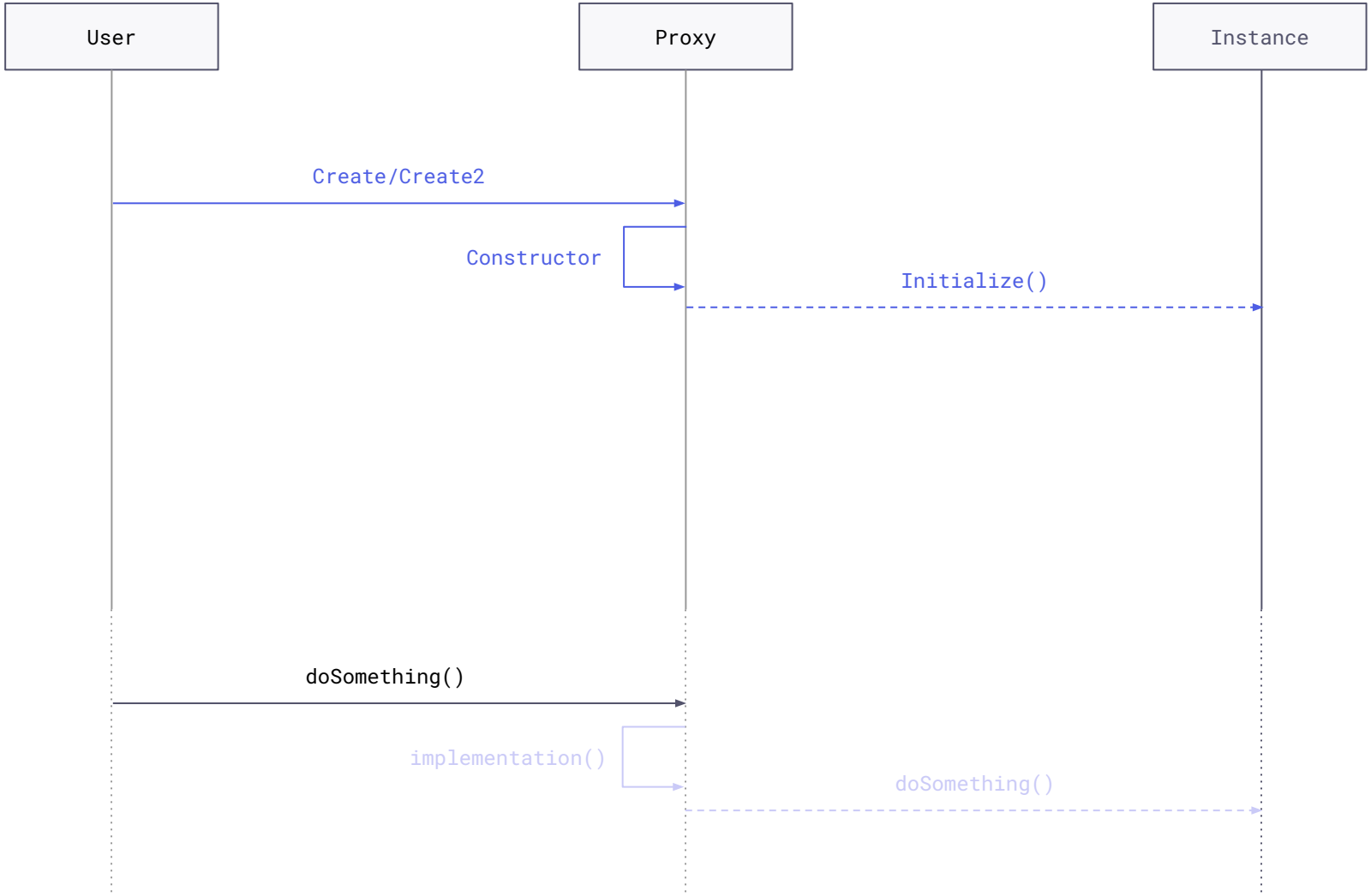
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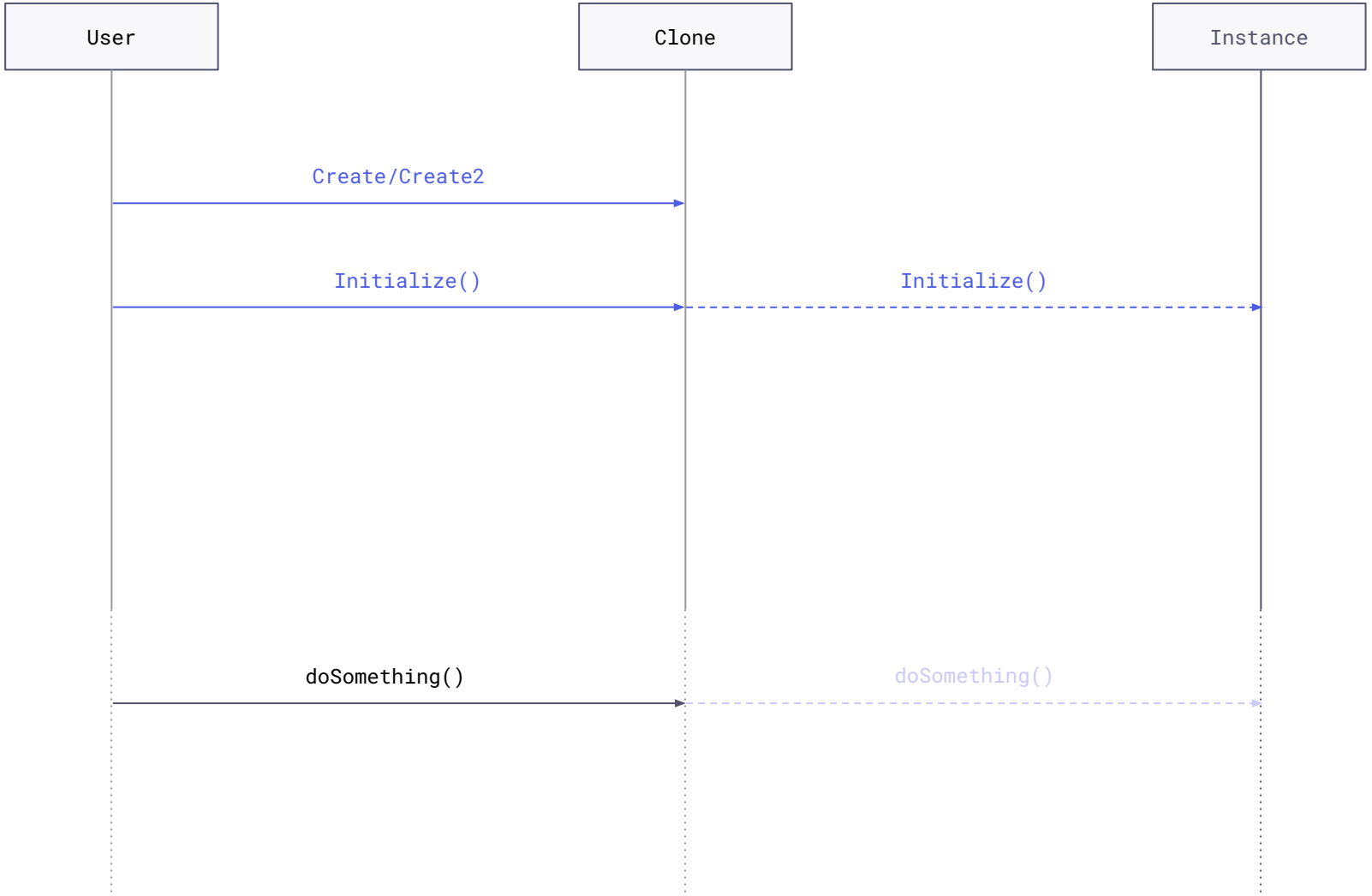
Alternative factory workflow: the clone approach

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

Hands-on with the code

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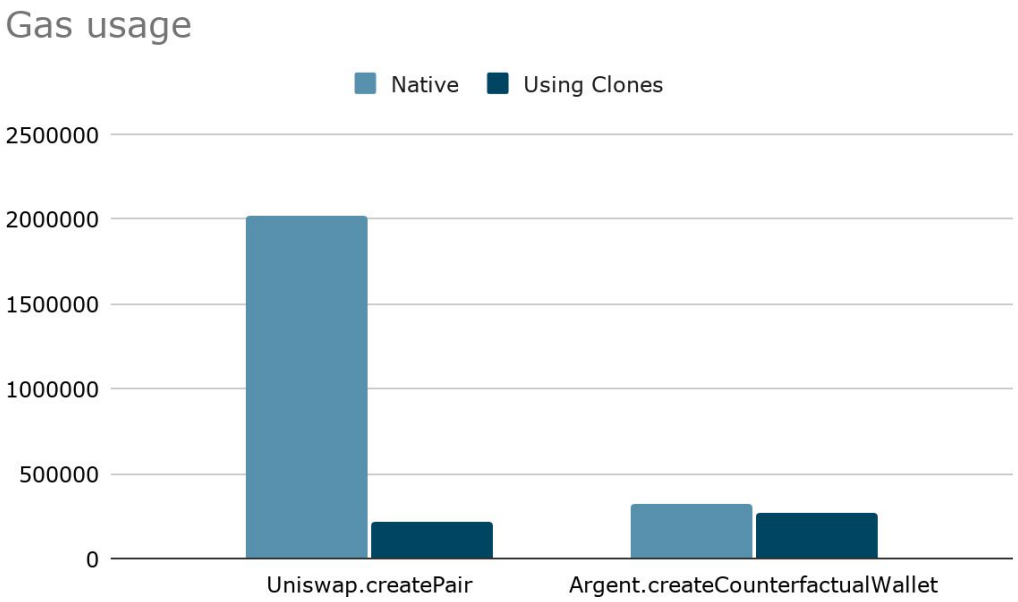
Clones are part of @openzeppelin/contracts

```
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



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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