Web3 Unleashed: How to build a MetaMask snap¶

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Overview¶

In this episode of Web3 Unleashed, we'll be covering MetaMask Snaps, a new way to extend your MetaMask functionality. Snaps product managerChristian Montoya and engineerGuillaume Roux will be joining us to talk about what they are, how they work, and how you can get started building one! Specifically, we'll be leveraging the Truffle Snaps box to build a wallet experience that provides insights into your wallet transactions. Watch our livestream for a more detailed walkthrough!

You can read more about Snapshere . The completed code liveshere .

Create an Infura account and project¶

To connect your DApp to Ethereum mainnet and testnets, you'll need an Infura account. Sign up for an accounthere

Install a MetaMask Flask wallet¶

To interact with your DApp in the browser, you'll need a MetaMask Flask wallet. You can download it and create onehere .

Make sure to install Flask in a new browser profile or disable any existing installed versions of MetaMask. Running multiple instances of MetaMask in the same browser profile will break dapp interactions.

Download System Requirements¶

You'll need to install:

- Node.js
- , v14 or higher
- truffle
- ganache CLI
- yarn v3.x, runcorepack enable
- if you are using Node v16 or higher

Download VS Code¶

Feel free to use whatever IDE you want, but we highly recommend using VS Code! You can run through most of this tutorial using the Truffle extension to create, build, and deploy your smart contracts, all without using the CLI! You can read more about ithere .

Set Up Your Project¶

In this project, we'll start off using theMetaMask Snap Truffle box to scaffold our project!

truffle unbox metamask/snap-box tx-snapcd

tx-snap Then, set up your development environment by running:

yarn install &&

yarn start Once ganache gets started, make sure you copy paste and save off the mnemonic, account numbers, and private keys! You'll be able to get the account numbers again, but will not be able to retrieve the mnemonic and private keys. If you would like these numbers to be stable, add in your own mnemonic. The output looks something like this:

YN0000: [truffle] : mnemonic used: often innocent sphere luggage almost leaf faint fan goat lab swim use ➤ YN0000: [truffle] : { ➤ YN0000: [truffle] : '0x49abb8858966f2d4b2b983e7ea5104c0f6cf495a' : { ➤ YN0000: [truffle] : secretKey: '0xf67606f22f122dcf7f6c2ee6a942a4d0bc1da6e2bc0a007b1547408dd2537eba' , ➤ YN0000: [truffle] : balance: 100000000000000000000n, ➤ YN0000: [truffle] : unlocked: true ➤ YN0000: [truffle] : } , ➤ YN0000: [truffle] : '0x7318563db067c3ffaa81d82f77d176e7a8cde704' : { ➤ YN0000: [truffle] : secretKey: '0x6a6698b543e5c5a1af7c199187757fda1ebcf6c7490eecad4ee79ff44de84b45' , ➤ YN0000: [truffle] : balance: 100000000000000000000n, ... Additionally, note that if you restart this test instance, you'll have to redeploy your contracts and reconnect your Snap to get the most up to date contract addresses. So, if you want to persist transaction history, consider using ganache'sdbPath option. Alternatively, feel free to just set up your own instance of ganache through thecli !

This is just a convenience script to help you get started, but you can runganache in a separate terminal and in the background usingganache --detach ! You can read more about the different optionshere .

And clean up some files that are only useful within the GitHub organization:

./scripts/cleanup.sh

What's in the box?¶

This box not only sets up the basic MetaMask Snap template, but adds in additional scaffolding to demonstrate how you might incorporate smart contract interactions within your Snap flow.

We'll step through the most important parts of this Truffle box.

packages/snap/src/index.ts¶

We will be editing this file to customize our snap! In the Truffle box, the example snap simply displays a custom confirmation screen.

export

const

onRpcRequest :

OnRpcRequestHandler

=

({

origin ,

request

})

=>

{

switch

(request . method)

{

case

'hello' :

return

wallet . request ({

method :

'snap_confirm' ,

params :

[

{

prompt :

getMessage (origin),

description :

'This custom confirmation is just for display purposes.' ,

textAreaContent :

'But you can edit the snap source code to make it do something, if you want to!' ,

},

],

});

default :

throw

new

Error ('Method not found.');

} }; If you want your snap to communicate with an external dapp or other snap, a snap must implement its own JSON-RPC API by exporting the functiononRpcRequest . Since we want to display a custom confirmation screen in the MetaMask UI, we send the methodsnap_confirm viawallet.request to be processed by MetaMask.

packages/snap/snap.manifest.json¶

This file tells MetaMask important information about your snap. Important pieces to highlight in the manifest:

- description
- : the description of your snap
- proposedName
- : the name of your snap
- source.location
- : where your snap is published
- source.shasum
- : the hash of your source code to verify the integrity of the snap when called
- initialPermissions
- : this specifies thepermissions
- a snap can have

packages/snap/snap.config.js¶

This file is used to override the Snaps cli options and should not be published.

You can get more detail on what makes up a snap in the MetaMask documentationhere .

packages/site/src/utils/snap.ts¶

This file contains all the methods necessary to interact with a snap in your frontend application. To interact with the MetaMask Snaps API, we call the relevant methods usingwindow.ethereum.request :

- getSnaps
- callswallet_getSnaps
- to get the user's permitted Snaps.
- connectSnap
- callswallet_enable
- to install/connect Snaps to the user's account. ThesnapId
- is the location of the installed snap.
- getSnap
- gets a specific snap object.
- sendHello
- callswallet_invokeSnap
- to call the JSON-RPC method of the specified snap. In this tutorial, the snap is installed locally, specified aslocal:http://localhost:8080
- . Then, this method calls thehello
- case as defined by theonRpcRequest
- method we defined earlier inpackages/snap/src/index.ts
- .

packages/truffle¶

This folder contains a basic Truffle project that is set up for you to write, deploy, and test your smart contracts. Currently, it is

populated with aSimpleStorage contract that does not interact with the snap. We will be modifying this later!

packages/truffle/scripts/ganache.js¶

In the example snap that we are building in this guide, we will be connecting to ganache, our local test chain. This script programmatically sets up an instance of ganache that forks Ethereum mainnet.

Let's get building

We will start off by building an NFT vault that allows users to deposit and store their NFTs securely by requiring a second signer to approve withdrawals. Then, we'll create a snap that surfaces transaction insights during withdrawal to let the user know whether or not the NFT is actually approved for withdrawal.

Create the smart contracts¶

In order to build the NFT vault, go to thepackages/truffle directory and create two smart contracts and a test:

cd

packages/truffle truffle create contract SimpleNFT truffle create contract NFTVault truffle create test

NftVault Let's also install packages we'll need later:

yarn add @openzeppelin/contracts yarn add --dev @openzeppelin/test-helpers

Create SimpleNFT¶

We'll be using Open Zeppelin'sERC721URIStorage contract to createSimpleNFT . This is simply so that we can quickly mint NFTs for testing. The code looks like this:

// SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT pragma

solidity

= 0.4.22

< 0.9.0 ; import

"@openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC721/ERC721.sol" ; import

"@openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC721/extensions/ERC721URIStorage.sol" ; import

"@openzeppelin/contracts/utils/Counters.sol" ; contract

SimpleNFT

is

ERC721URIStorage

{

using

Counters

for

Counters . Counter ;

Counters . Counter

private

_tokenIds ;

event

NFTMinted (uint256);

constructor ()

ERC721 ("SimpleNFT" ,

"SNFT")

{}

function

mint (string

memory

_tokenURI)

public

{

_tokenIds . increment ();

uint256

newTokenId

=

_tokenIds . current ();

_safeMint (msg . sender ,

newTokenId);

_setTokenURI (newTokenId ,

_tokenURI);

emit

NFTMinted (newTokenId);

} } If you want a deeper dive into the methods of this NFT, see our tutorial on creating an NFT here .

Create NFTVault¶

The completed code for the NFTVault looks like this:

// SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT pragma

solidity

= 0.4.22

< 0.9.0 ; import

"@openzeppelin/contracts/interfaces/IERC721.sol" ; contract

NFTVault

{

struct

approval

{

address

owner ;

address

secondSigner ;

```
bool
approved ;
}
// map nftContract => nftID => approval
mapping ( address
=>
mapping ( uint256
=>
approval ))
private
approvals ;
function
depositNFT ( address
nftContract ,
uint
tokenId ,
address
secondSigner )
public
{
require ( approvals [ nftContract ][ tokenId ]. owner
==
address ( 0 ),
"NFT already deposited!" );
approvals [ nftContract ][ tokenId ]
=
approval ( msg . sender ,
secondSigner ,
false );
IERC721 ( nftContract ). transferFrom ( msg . sender ,
address ( this ),
tokenId );
}
function
withdrawNFT ( address
nftContract ,
uint
```

```
tokenId )
public
{
approval
memory
data
=
approvals [ nftContract ][ tokenId ];
require ( data . owner
!=
address ( 0 ),
"NFT not deposited" );
require ( data . owner
==
msg . sender ,
"Not owner of the NFT" );
require ( data . approved ,
"Second signer has not signed approval" );
IERC721 ( nftContract ). safeTransferFrom ( address ( this ),
data . owner ,
tokenId );
delete
approvals [ nftContract ][ tokenId ];
}
function
approveWithdraw ( address
nftContract ,
uint
tokenId )
public
{
approval
storage
data
=
approvals [ nftContract ][ tokenId ];
require ( data . secondSigner
```

```
==
msg . sender ,
"Not an approver" );
if
( ! data . approved )
{
data . approved
=
true ;
}
}
function
getApproval ( address
nftContract ,
uint
tokenId )
public
view
returns
( address ,
address ,
bool )
{
approval
memory
data
=
approvals [ nftContract ][ tokenId ];
return
( data . owner ,
data . secondSigner ,
data . approved );
}
function
removeApproval ( address
nftContract ,
uint
```

tokenId)

public

{

approval

storage

data

=

approvals [nftContract][tokenId];

require (data . secondSigner

==

msg . sender ,

"Not an approver");

if

(data . approved)

{

data . approved

=

false ;

}

} } Let's step through the code!

First, we create anapproval struct in order to store the relevant information about each deposited NFT: the address of the owner, the address of the second approver, and whether or not the second signer has approved the NFT for withdrawal.

struct

approval

{

address

owner ;

address

secondSigner ;

bool

approved ; } Then, we create anapprovals mapping that maps the NFT contract address and token id to anapproval struct to store information about each deposited NFT.

// map nftContract => nftID => approval mapping (address

=>

mapping (uint256

=>

approval))

private

approvals ; Now, let's dive into the meat of the smart contract, the methods! This smart contract consists of a few methods:

function

depositNFT (address

nftContract ,

uint

tokenId ,

address

secondSigner)

public

{

require (approvals [nftContract][tokenId]. owner

==

address (0),

"NFT already deposited!");

approvals [nftContract][tokenId]

=

approval (msg . sender ,

secondSigner ,

false);

IERC721 (nftContract). transferFrom (msg . sender ,

address (this),

tokenId); } depositNFT transfers ownership of the NFT to the smart contract and stores who the second signer is to approve for withdrawal. Note that this requires that theNFTVault contract was first approved to make transfers. This call would have to happen before thedepositNFT function is called by calling theapprove method on the NFT smart contract. You can read more about theapprove methodhere .

function

withdrawNFT (address

nftContract ,

uint

tokenId)

public

{

approval

memory

data

=

approvals [nftContract][tokenId];

require (data . owner

!=

address (0),

"NFT not deposited");

require (data . owner

==

msg . sender ,

"Not owner of the NFT");

require (data . approved ,

"Second signer has not signed approval");

IERC721 (nftContract). safeTransferFrom (address (this),

data . owner ,

tokenId);

delete

approvals [nftContract][tokenId]; } withdrawNFT transfers ownership of the NFT from the smart contract to the user. We retrieve theapproval data to check that the withdrawer was actually the owner of the NFT and the NFT was approved to be withdrawn by the second signer. Afterwards, we transfer the NFT from the smart contract back to the owner and delete this NFT information from the stored data.

function

approveWithdraw (address

nftContract ,

uint

tokenId)

public

{

approval

storage

data

=

approvals [nftContract][tokenId];

require (data . secondSigner

==

msg . sender ,

"Not an approver");

if

(! data . approved)

{

data . approved

=

true ;

} } approveWithdraw should be called by the second signer to approve the NFT for withdrawal. Note that we getdata using

thestorage key word. This is because we want to actually change the data stored in the contract.

function

getApproval (address

nftContract ,

uint

tokenId)

public

view

returns

(address ,

address ,

bool)

{

approval

memory

data

=

approvals [nftContract][tokenId];

return

(data . owner ,

data . secondSigner ,

data . approved); } getApproval is a read method that returnsapproval information about an NFT to be used by the MetaMask snap. Note that we cannot return structs in solidity. Instead, we return an array of information as defined by(address, address, bool) .

function

removeApproval (address

nftContract ,

uint

tokenId)

public

{

approval

storage

data

=

approvals [nftContract][tokenId];

require (data . secondSigner

==

msg . sender ,

"Not an approver");

if

(data . approved)

{

data . approved

=

false ;

} } removeApproval is called by the second signer of an NFT to revoke their approval.

Create the migration script¶

We need to tell Truffle how to deploy our contracts by writing a migration script. Create1_deploy_contracts.js under thepackages/truffle/migration folder:

const

SimpleNFT

=

artifacts . require ('SimpleNFT'); const

NFTVault

=

artifacts . require ('NFTVault'); module . exports

=

function

(deployer)

{

deployer . deploy (SimpleNFT);

deployer . deploy (NFTVault); };

Write tests¶

The completed test code looks like this:

require ("@openzeppelin/test-helpers/configure")({

provider :

web3 . currentProvider ,

singletons :

{

abstraction :

"truffle" ,

}, }); const

{

constants ,

```
expectRevert

}

=

require ( "@openzeppelin/test-helpers" ); const

NFTVault

=

artifacts . require ( "NFTVault" ); const

SimpleNFT

=

artifacts . require ( "SimpleNFT" ); async

function

mintNft ( simpleNFT ,

sender )

{

txn

=

await

simpleNFT . mint ( "fakeURI" ,

{ from :

sender });

return

txn . logs [ 1 ]. args [ 0 ]. toNumber (); } function

assertApproval ( actual ,

expected )

{

assert . equal ( actual [ 0 ],

expected . owner ,

"owner is not correct" );

assert . equal ( actual [ 1 ],

expected . secondSigner ,

"secondSigner is not correct" );

assert . equal ( actual [ 2 ],

expected . approved ,

"approved is not correct" ); } contract ( "NFTVault" ,

function

( accounts )

{
```

```
const
tokenOwner
=
accounts [ 1 ];
const
secondSigner
=
accounts [ 2 ];
let
nftVault ;
let
simpleNFT ;
let
tokenId ;
before ( 'should reuse variables' ,
async
()
=>
{
nftVault
=
await
NFTVault . deployed ();
simpleNFT
=
await
SimpleNFT . deployed ();
});
beforeEach ( 'should mint and deposit NFT' ,
async
()
=>
{
tokenId
=
( await
mintNft ( simpleNFT ,
```

```
tokenOwner ,
{ from :
tokenOwner }));
await
simpleNFT . approve ( nftVault . address ,
tokenId ,
{ from :
tokenOwner });
await
nftVault . depositNFT ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ,
secondSigner ,
{ from :
tokenOwner });
});
it ( "should deposit NFT with correct data and should not deposit twice" ,
async
function
()
{
let
expected
=
{
owner :
tokenOwner ,
secondSigner :
secondSigner ,
approved :
false
};
assertApproval ( await
nftVault . getApproval ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ),
expected );
assert . equal ( await
simpleNFT . ownerOf ( tokenId ),
```

```
nftVault . address );
await
expectRevert (
nftVault . depositNFT ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ,
secondSigner ,
{ from :
tokenOwner }),
"NFT already deposited!"
);
});
it ( "should not approve withdrawal if not second signer" ,
async
function
()
{
await
expectRevert (
nftVault . approveWithdraw ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ,
{ from :
accounts [ 3 ]}),
"Not an approver"
);
});
it ( "should approve withdrawal if second signer" ,
async
function
()
{
await
nftVault . approveWithdraw ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ,
{ from :
secondSigner });
let
expected
```

=

{

owner :

tokenOwner ,

secondSigner :

secondSigner ,

approved :

true

};

assertApproval (await

nftVault . getApproval (simpleNFT . address ,

tokenId),

expected);

});

it ("should not withdraw if not owner" ,

async

function

()

{

await

expectRevert (

nftVault . withdrawNFT (simpleNFT . address ,

tokenId ,

{ from :

accounts [3]}),

"Not owner of the NFT"

);

});

it ("should not withdraw if not approved" ,

async

function

()

{

await

expectRevert (

nftVault . withdrawNFT (simpleNFT . address ,

tokenId ,

```
{ from :
tokenOwner }),
"Second signer has not signed approval"
);
});
it ( "should withdraw and not withdraw twice" ,
async
function
()
{
await
nftVault . approveWithdraw ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ,
{ from :
secondSigner });
await
nftVault . withdrawNFT ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ,
{ from :
tokenOwner });
let
expected
=
{
owner :
constants . ZERO_ADDRESS ,
secondSigner :
constants . ZERO_ADDRESS ,
approved :
false
}
assertApproval ( await
nftVault . getApproval ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ),
expected );
assert . equal ( await
simpleNFT . ownerOf ( tokenId ),
```

```
tokenOwner );
await
expectRevert (
nftVault . withdrawNFT ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ,
{ from :
tokenOwner }),
"NFT not deposited"
);
});
it ( "should not remove approval if not second signer" ,
async
function
()
{
await
expectRevert (
nftVault . removeApproval ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ,
{ from :
accounts [ 3 ]}),
"Not an approver"
);
});
it ( "should remove approval if second signer" ,
async
function
()
{
await
nftVault . removeApproval ( simpleNFT . address ,
tokenId ,
{ from :
secondSigner });
let
expected
=
```

{

owner :

tokenOwner ,

secondSigner :

secondSigner ,

approved :

false

}

assertApproval (await

nftVault . getApproval (simpleNFT . address ,

tokenId),

expected);

}); }); Let's go through the highlights:

- @openzeppelin/test-helpers
- gives us some nifty utilities likeconstants
- for the zero address, andexpectRevert
- to help us check that ourrequire
- statements are correctly failing
- async function mintNft(simpleNFT, sender)
- is a helper function to quickly mint an NFT for testing
- function assertApproval(actual, expected)
- is a helper function that asserts whether or not the actualapproval
- object has the same properties as the expectedapproval
- object
- beforeEach
- will mint, approve, and deposit an NFT before each test so that we are starting with fresh data each time

Run the tests

If you ranyarn start earlier, it should've brought up an instance of ganache on 8545, which is thedevelopment network defined intruffle-config.js . Then, just runtruffle test and the output should look like this:

Contract: NFTVault ✔ should deposit NFT with correct data ✔ should not approve withdrawal if

not second signer (272ms)

✔ should approve withdrawal if

second signer ✔ should not withdraw if

not owner ✔ should not withdraw if

not approved ✔ should withdraw (175ms)

✔ should not remove approval if

not second signer ✔ should remove approval if

second signer8

passing (3s)

Create the frontend of your dapp

In order to interact with the NFT Vault, we'll be building a quick site. This guides assumes you already have basic familiarity with React.

Editpackages/truffle/truffle-config.js

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In order for our frontend to be able to interact with our deployed contracts, we'll need to modify the directory where our smart contract builds are written to.

Let's add it into our snapsrc folder. Modify thecontracts_build_directory property as follows:

contracts_build_directory :

'../snap/src/contracts' , Now, we want to actually deploy these contracts! Call:

truffle migrate You should see something like this:

Compiling your contracts...==========================

Compiling ./contracts/NFTVault.sol

Compiling ./contracts/SimpleNFT.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/interfaces/IERC721.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC721/ERC721.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC721/IERC721.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC721/IERC721Receiver.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC721/extensions/ERC721URIStorage.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC721/extensions/IERC721Metadata.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/utils/Address.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/utils/Context.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/utils/Counters.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/utils/Strings.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/utils/introspection/ERC165.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/utils/introspection/IERC165.sol

Compiling @openzeppelin/contracts/utils/math/Math.sol

Artifacts written to /Users/emilylin/dev/unleashed/unleashed_mm_snap/packages/snap/src/contracts

Compiled successfully using: - solc: 0 .8.14+commit.80d49f37.Emscripten.clang

Migrations dry-run (simulation) ================================

Network name: 'development-fork'

Network id: 1

Block gas limit: 30000000

(0x1c9c380) 1_deploy_contracts.js====================

Deploying 'SimpleNFT'

---

block number: 16190737

block timestamp: 1671115535

account: 0x28d2db1E78C3871c34A5BA44Fe5d40c7486B0259

balance: 999 .9367138314506932

gas used: 2460810

(0x258c8a)

gas price: 2 .794796691 gwei

value sent: 0

ETH

total cost: 0 .00687746364517971 ETH Deploying 'NFTVault'

---

block number: 16190738

block timestamp: 1671115535

account: 0x28d2db1E78C3871c34A5BA44Fe5d40c7486B0259

balance: 999 .934619651128490245

gas used: 757665

(0xb8fa1)

gas price: 2 .763992427 gwei

value sent: 0

ETH

total cost: 0 .002094180322202955 ETH

Total cost: 0 .008971643967382665 ETHSummary =======

Total deployments: 2

Final cost: 0 .008971643967382665 ETH

Starting migrations...======================

Network name: 'development'

Network id: 1

Block gas limit: 30000000

(0x1c9c380) 1_deploy_contracts.js=====================

Deploying 'SimpleNFT'

---

transaction hash: 0x0414b54b0b3cbe8714dbc8f73bc2faa3227685513064648f767e96d16069072f

Blocks: 0

Seconds: 0

contract address: 0x888111C9F5Fe423154838060C4207BF1a0D267A2

block number: 16190736

block timestamp: 1671115535

account: 0x28d2db1E78C3871c34A5BA44Fe5d40c7486B0259

balance: 999 .93671366001836455

gas used: 2460810

(0x258c8a)

gas price: 2 .794866356 gwei

value sent: 0

ETH

total cost: 0 .00687763507750836 ETH Deploying 'NFTVault'

---

transaction hash: 0xb36b12cca3831a9d73ef958ba037682754193fa2312468ce349e4a8d2c1bbafe

Blocks: 0

Seconds: 0

contract address: 0xa00b4BD107EAB10825ec93066aBF57162b11Ee44

block number: 16190737

block timestamp: 1671115535

account: 0x28d2db1E78C3871c34A5BA44Fe5d40c7486B0259

balance: 999 .934619432428472905

gas used: 757665

(0xb8fa1)

gas price: 2 .764054813 gwei

value sent: 0

ETH

total cost: 0 .002094227589891645 ETH

Saving artifacts

Total cost: 0 .008971862667400005 ETHSummary =======

Total deployments: 2

Final cost: 0 .008971862667400005 ETH

Editpackages/site/src/pages/index.tsx

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First, let's clean up the parts of the code we won't be using - specifically, remove any references to theHelloWorld snap:

1. ThesendHello
2. andSendHelloButton
3. imports
4. ThehandleSendHelloClick
5. function
6. ThesendHello
7. card

First, we'll want to change into thepackages/site directory to start installing theethers package there:

cd

../site yarn add ethers Then, we'll add that as an import to the top of thepackages/site/src/pages/index.tsx page and adduseState anduseEffect to the list of imports fromreact . We also want to use our contract information so we'll import the built Truffle files as well.

import

{

useContext ,

useState ,

useEffect

}

from

'react' ; import

{

ethers

}

from

'ethers' ; import

SimpleNFT

from

'snap/src/contracts/SimpleNFT.json' ; import

NFTVault

from

'snap/src/contracts/NFTVault.json' ; If we want to interact with the smart contracts, we'll be usingethers to create a contract interface abstraction. To do this, we'll need the contract abi, address, and provider. Add the following code to theIndex function:

const

[networkId ,

setNetworkId]

=

useState < unknown

(); useEffect (()

=>

{

const

run

=

async

()

=>

{

setNetworkId (await

window . ethereum . request ({

method :

'net_version'

}));

}

const

handleChainChanged

=

async

()

=>

{

setNetworkId (await

window . ethereum . request ({

method :

'net_version'

}));

}

window . ethereum . on ('chainChanged' ,

handleChainChanged);

run (); },

[]); const

simpleNFTContractAddress

=

networkId

?

(SimpleNFT . networks [networkId]

?

SimpleNFT . networks [networkId]. address

:

null)

:

null ; const

simpleNFTInterface

=

new

ethers . utils . Interface (SimpleNFT . abi);

const

NFTVaultContractAddress

=

networkId

?

(NFTVault . networks [networkId]

?

NFTVault . networks [networkId]. address

:

null)

:

null ; const

NFTVaultInterface

=

NFTVaultContractAddress

?

new

ethers . utils . Interface (NFTVault . abi)

:

null ; To pull out the important pieces:

1. We useawait window.ethereum.request({ method: 'net_version' })
2. to get thenetworkId
3. and listen for thechainChanged
4. event in case the user changes networks
5. We get address and abi information from truffle's build files
6. We usenew ethers.utils.Interface(SimpleNFT.abi)
7. to get the contract interface abstraction for encoding

Then, we simply add additional cards and relevant handlers to interact with the contract! Note that in this tutorial, we're deliberately encoding the function data ourselves instead of passing aethers.Contract abstraction . This is because we want to demonstrate the encoding to decoding flow.

InIndex , add:

const

mintNFTHandler

=

async

(e : Event)

=>

{

e . preventDefault ();

const

data

=

new

FormData (e . target);

const

tokenURI

=

"" + data . get ("mintNFTtokenURI");

```
const
functionData
=
simpleNFTInterface . encodeFunctionData ( 'mint' ,[ tokenURI ]);
// Get the user's account from MetaMask.
try
{
const
[ from ]
=
( await
window . ethereum . request ({
method :
'eth_requestAccounts' ,
}))
as
string [];
// Send a transaction to MetaMask.
await
window . ethereum . request ({
method :
'eth_sendTransaction' ,
params :
[
{
from :
from ,
to :
simpleNFTContractAddress ,
value :
'0x0' ,
data :
functionData ,
},
],
});
}
```

```
catch
( e )
{
console . error ( e );
} };
const
approveVaultHandler
=
async
( e : Event )
=>
{
e . preventDefault ();
const
data
=
new
FormData ( e . target );
const
address
=
"" + data . get ( "contractAddressToApprove" );
const
tokenId
=
parseInt ( data . get ( "tokenIdToApprove" ));
const
functionData
=
simpleNFTInterface . encodeFunctionData ( 'approve' ,[ NFTVaultContractAddress , tokenId ]);
try
{
const
[ from ]
=
( await
window . ethereum . request ({
```

```
method :
'eth_requestAccounts' ,
}))
as
string [];
// Send a transaction to MetaMask.
await
window . ethereum . request ({
method :
'eth_sendTransaction' ,
params :
[
{
from :
from ,
to :
address ,
value :
'0x0' ,
data :
functionData ,
},
],
});
}
catch
( e )
{
console . error ( e );
} };
const
depositToVaultHandler
=
async
( e : Event )
=>
{
```

```
e . preventDefault ();
const
data
=
new
FormData ( e . target );
const
nftAddress
=
"" + data . get ( "nftAddressToDeposit" );
const
tokenId
=
parseInt ( data . get ( "nftTokenIdToDeposit" ));
const
secondSigner
=
"" + data . get ( "secondSigner" );
const
functionData
=
NFTVaultInterface . encodeFunctionData ( 'depositNFT' ,[ nftAddress ,
tokenId ,
secondSigner ]);
try
{
const
[ from ]
=
( await
window . ethereum . request ({
method :
'eth_requestAccounts' ,
}))
as
string [];
// Send a transaction to MetaMask.
```

```
await
window . ethereum . request ({
method :
'eth_sendTransaction' ,
params :
[
{
from :
from ,
to :
NFTVaultContractAddress ,
value :
'0x0' ,
data :
functionData ,
},
],
});
}
catch
( e )
{
console . error ( e );
} };
const
approveWithdrawHandler
=
async
( e : Event )
=>
{
e . preventDefault ();
const
data
=
new
FormData ( e . target );
```

```
const
nftAddress
=
"" + data . get ( "nftAddressToApprove" );
const
tokenId
=
parseInt ( data . get ( "nftTokenIdToApprove" ));
const
functionData
=
NFTVaultInterface . encodeFunctionData ( 'approveWithdraw' ,[ nftAddress ,
tokenId ]);
try
{
const
[ from ]
=
( await
window . ethereum . request ({
method :
'eth_requestAccounts' ,
}))
as
string [];
// Send a transaction to MetaMask.
await
window . ethereum . request ({
method :
'eth_sendTransaction' ,
params :
[
{
from :
from ,
to :
NFTVaultContractAddress ,
```

```
value :
'0x0' ,
data :
functionData ,
},
],
});
}
catch
( e )
{
console . error ( e );
} };
const
withdrawHandler
=
async
( e : Event )
=>
{
e . preventDefault ();
const
data
=
new
FormData ( e . target );
const
nftAddress
=
"" + data . get ( "nftAddressToWithdraw" );
const
tokenId
=
parseInt ( data . get ( "nftTokenIdToWithdraw" ));
const
functionData
=
```

```
NFTVaultInterface . encodeFunctionData ( 'withdrawNFT' ,[ nftAddress ,
tokenId ]);
try
{
const
[ from ]
=
( await
window . ethereum . request ({
method :
'eth_requestAccounts' ,
}))
as
string [];
// Send a transaction to MetaMask.
await
window . ethereum . request ({
method :
'eth_sendTransaction' ,
params :
[
{
from :
from ,
to :
NFTVaultContractAddress ,
value :
'0x0' ,
data :
functionData ,
},
],
});
}
catch
( e )
{
```

console . error (e);

} }; And then, at the end of the return in function in the list of cards, add:

{ simpleNFTContractAddress

&&

(

< Card

content

{

{

title :

'Mint an NFT' ,

description :

(

< form

id

"mintNFT"

onSubmit

{ mintNFTHandler }

< p

< label

TokenURI :< /label>

< p

< input

type

"text"

name

"mintNFTtokenURI"

id

"mintNFTtokenURI"

/>< /p>

< button

type

"submit"

Mint < /button>

< /form>

),

}

}

disabled

{ false }

fullWidth

{ false }

/>)} { NFTVaultContractAddress

&&

(

< Card

content

{

{

title :

'Approve the NFT Vault to hold your NFT' ,

description :

(

< form

id

"approveVault"

onSubmit

{ approveVaultHandler }

< p

< label

NFT

Address :< /label>

< p

< input

type

"text"

name

"contractAddressToApprove"

id

"contractAddressToApprove"

/>< /p>

< p

< label

NFT

token

ID :< /label>

< p

< input

type

"text"

name

"tokenIdToApprove"

id

"tokenIdToApprove"

/>< /p>

< button

type

"submit"

Approve < /button>

< /form>

),

}

}

disabled

{ false }

fullWidth

{ false }

/>)} { NFTVaultContractAddress

&&

(

< Card

content

{

{

title :

'Deposit an NFT into the vault' ,

description :

(

< form

id

"depositToVault"

onSubmit

{ depositToVaultHandler }

< p

< em

Make

sure

you

have

approved

the

vault

to

hold

this

NFT !< /em>

< p

< label

NFT

Contract

Address :< /label>

< p

< input

type

"text"

name

"nftAddressToDeposit"

id

"nftAddressToDeposit"

/>< /p>

< p

< label

NFT

token

ID :< /label>

< p

< input

type

"text"

name

"nftTokenIdToDeposit"

id

"nftTokenIdToDeposit"

/>< /p>

< p

< label

Second

signer

for

withdraw

approval :< /label>

< p

< input

type

"text"

name

"secondSigner"

id

"secondSigner"

/>< /p>

< button

type

"submit"

Deposit < /button>

< /form>

),

}

}

disabled

{ false }

fullWidth

{ false }

/>)} { NFTVaultContractAddress

&&

(

< Card

content

{

{

title :

'Approve an NFT to be withdrawn' ,

description :

(

< form

id

"approveWithdraw"

onSubmit

{ approveWithdrawHandler }

< p

< em

Make

sure

you

are

calling

this

from

the

second

signer !< /em>

< p

< label

NFT

Contract

Address :< /label>

< p

< input

type

"text"

name

"nftAddressToApprove"

id

"nftAddressToApprove"

/>< /p>

< p

< label

NFT

token

ID :< /label>

< p

< input

type

"text"

name

"nftTokenIdToApprove"

id

"nftTokenIdToApprove"

/>< /p>

< button

type

"submit"

Approve

Withdrawal < /button>

< /form>

),

}

}

disabled

{ false }

fullWidth

{ false }

/>)} { NFTVaultContractAddress

&&

(

< Card

content

{

{

title :

'Withdraw NFT' ,

description :

(

< form

id

"withdraw"

onSubmit

{ withdrawHandler }

< p

< em

Make

sure

the

second

signer

has

already

approved

this !< /em>

< p

< label

NFT

Contract

Address :< /label>

< p

< input

type

"text"

name

"nftAddressToWithdraw"

id

"nftAddressToWithdraw"

/>< /p>

< p

< label

NFT

token

ID :< /label>

< p

< input

type

"text"

name

"nftTokenIdToWithdraw"

id

"nftTokenIdToWithdraw"

/>< /p>

< button

type

"submit"

Withdraw < /button>

< /form>

),

}

}

disabled

{ false }

fullWidth

{ false }

/>)} To run through the entire life cycle you can take these steps:

1. Import a funded account to your MetaMask wallet using the private keys generated byganache
2. Hit connect to install the snap
3. Mint an NFT (you can put in an arbitrary string for the tokenURI). If this is the first mint, the token ID will be 1.
4. Approve the NFTVault contract totransfer
5. the NFT. Copy and paste theSimpleNFT
6. address, which you can find in theSimpleNFT.json
7. file or by callingtruffle networks
8. Deposit the NFT. For the second signer, use another pre-funded account number from the list of accounts generated byganache
9. Approve the withdrawal. Import the second signer account into your wallet by importing the private key. Switch and

connect to that account to send the approval.
10. Withdraw the NFT. You'll need to switch back to the original account in order to do the withdrawal.

Let's build the snap

This snap will do a few things:

1. It will be able to identify which smart contract we are calling
2. If we are calling theNFTVault
3. contract, it will identify what method we are calling
4. If we are callingwithdrawNFT
5. , it will communicate whether or not the NFT is approved to be withdraw and who the approver is

Editpackages/snap/snap.manifest.json

¶

We'll need to give new permissions to your snap. To do so, add"endowment:transaction-insight": {} toinitialPermissions . This permission gives the snap read-only access to raw transaction payloads before they are accepted for signing by the user.

Editpackages/snap/tsconfig.json

¶

In order to access the contract build files, we'll need to add this to thetsconfig.json file:

"compilerOptions" :

{

"resolveJsonModule" :

true }

Editpackages/snap/src/index.ts

¶

Then, for our snap to use our transaction insight modify the imports:

import

{

OnTransactionHandler ,

OnRpcRequestHandler , }

from

'@metamask/snap-types' ; import

{

getInsights

}

from

'./insights' ; Then, add the following function:

/* * *Handle an incoming transaction, and return any insights. * * @param args - The request handler args as object. * @param args.transaction - The transaction object. * @returns The transaction insights.* / export

const

onTransaction :

OnTransactionHandler

=

async

({

transaction

})

=>

{

return

{

insights :

await

getInsights (transaction),

}; };

Createpackages/snap/src/insights.ts

¶

First, we'll need to install the necessary dependencies:

cd

../snap yarn add @metamask/abi-utils ethers Then create a new file calledinsights.ts .

Let's start out with the bare bones. Add this code in:

import

{

add0x ,

bytesToHex ,

hasProperty ,

isObject ,

remove0x , }

from

'@metamask/utils' ; import

{

decode

}

from

'@metamask/abi-utils' ; import

{

ethers

}

from

'ethers' ; import

SimpleNft

from

'./contracts/SimpleNFT.json' ; import

NFTVault

from

'./contracts/NFTVault.json' ; /* * As an example, get transaction insights by looking at the transaction data * and attempting to decode it. * * @param transaction - The transaction to get insights for. * @returns The transaction insights. / export

async

function

getInsights (transaction :

Record < string ,

unknown

)

{

const

returnObject :

Record < string ,

unknown

=

{

message :

'Unknown transaction' ,

};

const

networkId

=

await

wallet . request ({

method :

'net_version'

});

const

SimpleNFTContractAddress

=

SimpleNft . networks [networkId] ?

SimpleNft . networks [networkId]. address

:

```
null ;
const
NFTVaultContractAddress
=
NFTVault . networks [ networkId ] ?
NFTVault . networks [ networkId ]. address
:
null ;
try
{
// Check if the transaction has data.
if
(
! isObject ( transaction )
||
! hasProperty ( transaction ,
'data' )
||
typeof
transaction . data
!==
'string'
)
{
throw
"Transaction data received is not an object." ;
}
switch ( transaction . to )
{
case
SimpleNFTContractAddress . toLowerCase () :
returnObject . message
=
"You are interacting with the SimpleNFT.sol contract" ;
break ;
case
NFTVaultContractAddress . toLowerCase () :
```

returnObject . message

=

"You are interacting with the NFTVault.sol contract" ;

break ;

default :

returnObject . message

=

"I do not recognize the address "

+

transaction . to ;

}

return

returnObject ;

}

catch

(error)

{

console . error (error);

return

returnObject ;

} } In this code, we check thetransaction.to property to see what the calling contract is. If you want to see this in action, we'll have to reinstall the snap. Go back to the browser and hitReconnect . MetaMask should prompt you to reinstall. Note that the installation screen now has an additional permission, "Fetch and display transaction insights." After confirming, mint an NFT. In your MetaMask wallet, the transaction window has a new tab, "Typescript Example..." Click on this tab to view your transaction insights output. You should see that the SimpleNFT contract address was recognized!

In Solidity, the first 4 bytes of an encoded function (which we demonstrated in thepackages/site portion of this tutorial), identify what the function is called. We can use this fact to translate what functions are actually being called by theNFTVault contract. In theNFTVault switch case statement, add:

const

transactionData

=

remove0x (transaction . data); // Get function signature, i.e., the first 4 bytes of the data. const

functionSignature

=

transactionData . slice (0 ,

8); let

matchingFunction

=

" ;

switch

(functionSignature)

{

case

'4e1ca120' :

matchingFunction

=

'approveWithdraw(address,uint256)' ;

break ;

case

'97be5523' :

matchingFunction

=

'depositNFT(address,uint256,address)' ;

break ;

case

'b537b269' :

matchingFunction

=

'removeApproval(address,uint256)' ;

break ;

case

'6088e93a' :

matchingFunction

=

'withdrawNFT(address,uint256)' ;

break ;

default :

break ; } if (matchingFunction . length

0)

{

returnObject . method

=

matchingFunction ;

} After you reconnect your snap, you should see something like this:

To get even more granular, let's actually decode the argument data whenwithdrawNFT is called. First, add this function, which will convert certain arguments which are not JSON serializable to strings:

/* * *The ABI decoder returns certain which are not JSON serializable. This * function converts them to strings. * * @param value - The value to convert. * @returns The converted value.* / function

normalize4ByteValue (value :

unknown) :

unknown

{

if

(Array . isArray (value))

{

return

value . map (normalize4ByteValue);

}

if

(value

instanceof

Uint8Array)

{

return

bytesToHex (value);

}

if

(typeof

value

===

'bigint')

{

return

value . toString ();

}

return

value ; } Then, in theNFTVault switch case, add:

if (matchingFunction

===

'withdrawNFT(address,uint256)')

{

// This is a function name in the shape "functionName(arg1Type,arg2Type,...)", so

// we do a simple slice to get the argument types.

const

parameterTypes

```
=
matchingFunction
. slice ( matchingFunction . indexOf ( '(' )
+
1 ,
matchingFunction . indexOf ( ')' ))
. split ( ',' );
// Decode the parameters using the ABI utils library.
const
decodedParameters
=
decode (
parameterTypes ,
add0x ( transactionData . slice ( 8 )),
);
returnObject . args
=
decodedParameters . map ( normalize4ByteValue );
// now show them whether they are approved to withdraw or not
returnObject . canWithdraw
=
'No' ;
try
{
const
provider
=
new
ethers . providers . Web3Provider ( wallet );
const
vaultContract
=
new
ethers . Contract (
NFTVaultContractAddress ,
NFTVault . abi ,
provider ,
```

);

const

ethersReadResult

=

await

vaultContract . getApproval (... returnObject . args);

if

(ethersReadResult . length

===

3

&&

ethersReadResult [2]

===

true)

{

returnObject . canWithdraw

=

'Yes' ;

}

returnObject . readResult

=

ethersReadResult ;

}

catch

(err)

{

returnObject . canWithdraw

=

{ err } ;

} } Now, when you callwithdrawNFT , the snap should give you some information about whether or not the NFT can be withdrawn and who the owner and second signer are! Note that this function is reading data from the chain using thegetApproval method. BecausegetApproval andwithdrawNFT have the same arguments, we can pass those on togetApproval to see if the NFT is approved with withdrawal or not.

Plus, as a bonus, the Snap could be updated to use this information:

1. To tell the user the address of the second signer
2. To tell them if they are attempting to withdraw an NFT they do not own
3. To tell them if the NFT is not found (the first two values will be 0x0)

The completed code looks like this:

import

{

add0x ,

bytesToHex ,

hasProperty ,

isObject ,

remove0x , }

from

'@metamask/utils' ; import

{

decode

}

from

'@metamask/abi-utils' ; import

{

ethers

}

from

'ethers' ; import

NFTVault

from

'./contracts/NFTVault.json' ; /* * As an example, get transaction insights by looking at the transaction data * and attempting to decode it. * * @param transaction - The transaction to get insights for. * @returns The transaction insights. / export

async

function

getInsights (transaction :

Record < string ,

unknown

)

{

const

returnObject :

Record < string ,

any

=

{

message :

'Unknown transaction' ,

};

const

networkId

=

await

wallet . request ({

method :

'net_version'

});

const

SimpleNFTContractAddress

=

SimpleNft . networks [networkId] ?

SimpleNft . networks [networkId]. address

:

null ;

const

NFTVaultContractAddress

=

NFTVault . networks [networkId] ?

NFTVault . networks [networkId]. address

:

null ;

try

{

// Check if the transaction has data.

if

(

! isObject (transaction)

||

! hasProperty (transaction ,

'data')

||

typeof

transaction . data

!==

'string'

)

{

```
throw
"Transaction data received is not an object." ;
}
switch ( transaction . to )
{
case
SimpleNFTContractAddress . toLowerCase () :
returnObject . message
=
"You are interacting with the SimpleNFT.sol contract" ;
break ;
case
NFTVaultContractAddress . toLowerCase () :
returnObject . message
=
"You are interacting with the NFTVault.sol contract" ;
const
transactionData
=
remove0x ( transaction . data );
// Get function signature, i.e., the first 4 bytes of the data.
const
functionSignature
=
transactionData . slice ( 0 ,
8 );
let
matchingFunction
=
" ;
switch
( functionSignature )
{
case
'4e1ca120' :
matchingFunction
=
```

```
'approveWithdraw(address,uint256)' ;
break ;
case
'97be5523' :
matchingFunction
=
'depositNFT(address,uint256,address)' ;
break ;
case
'b537b269' :
matchingFunction
=
'removeApproval(address,uint256)' ;
break ;
case
'6088e93a' :
matchingFunction
=
'withdrawNFT(address,uint256)' ;
break ;
default :
break ;
}
if ( matchingFunction . length
0 )
{
returnObject . method
=
matchingFunction ;
}
if ( matchingFunction
===
'withdrawNFT(address,uint256)' )
{
// This is a function name in the shape "functionName(arg1Type,arg2Type,...)", so
// we do a simple slice to get the argument types.
const
```

```
parameterTypes
=
matchingFunction
. slice ( matchingFunction . indexOf ( '(' )
+
1 ,
matchingFunction . indexOf ( ')' ))
. split ( ',' );
// Decode the parameters using the ABI utils library.
const
decodedParameters
=
decode (
parameterTypes ,
add0x ( transactionData . slice ( 8 )),
);
returnObject . args
=
decodedParameters . map ( normalize4ByteValue );
// now show them whether they are approved to withdraw or not
returnObject . canWithdraw
=
'No' ;
try
{
const
provider
=
new
ethers . providers . Web3Provider ( wallet );
const
vaultContract
=
new
ethers . Contract (
NFTVaultContractAddress ,
NFTVault . abi ,
```

```
provider ,
);
const
ethersReadResult
=
await
vaultContract . getApproval (... returnObject . args );
if
( ethersReadResult . length
===
3
&&
ethersReadResult [ 2 ]
===
'true' )
{
returnObject . canWithdraw
=
'Yes' ;
}
returnObject . readResult
=
ethersReadResult ;
}
catch
( err )
{
returnObject . canWithdraw
=
{ err } ;
}
}
}
return
returnObject ;
}
catch
```

(error)

{

console . error (error);

return

returnObject ;

} } /* * *The ABI decoder returns certain which are not JSON serializable. This * function converts them to strings. * * @param value - The value to convert. * @returns The converted value.* / function

normalize4ByteValue (value :

unknown) :

unknown

{

if

(Array . isArray (value))

{

return

value . map (normalize4ByteValue);

}

if

(value

instanceof

Uint8Array)

{

return

bytesToHex (value);

}

if

(typeof

value

===

'bigint')

{

return

value . toString ();

}

return

value ; }

Future Extensions¶

There's a lot of really cool stuff you can do with encoding and decoding! Check out Truffle's decoder and encoder libraries for more complex use cases.

If you want to talk about this content, make suggestions for what you'd like to see or ask questions about the series, start a discussion here . If you want to show off what you built or hang with the Unleashed community in general, join our Discord ! You can ask Snaps related questions in the #Snaps-dev channel there. Lastly, don't forget to follow us on Twitter for the latest updates on all things Truffle.