

Building a Frontend

Introduction

In this tutorial, we'll demonstrate how to set up a frontend project using React. You'll learn how to connect to a Sei wallet and interact with EVM and CosmWasm smart contracts deployed on Sei.

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EVM CosmWasm In this section, we'll explore Sei's unique interoperability features by building an EVM compatible DApp that interacts with a CosmWasm smart contract. We will use [ethers.js\(opens in a new tab\)](#) to build a React app that interacts with a CosmWasm smart contract using the Sei [CosmWasm precompile](#).

Prerequisites

- Complete the tutorial in [cosmwasm-general](#)
- to deploy a CosmWasm counter contract on our devnet (arctic-1).

Requirements

Before starting, ensure you have:

- Node.js & NPM installed
- One of the Sei wallets listed [here](#)
- The wallet should be funded with sufficient Sei on our devnet (arctic-1). Refer to the section on [faucets](#)
- for instructions on how to get Devnet tokens.

Creating a React Project

Start by creating a new React project using Vite's TypeScript template for streamlined development:

```
npm
create
vite@latest
my-counter-frontend
--
--template
```

react-ts This command creates a new folder with a React project using TypeScript. Open my-counter-frontend in your favorite IDE.

The rest of this tutorial will be in TypeScript. If you're not using TypeScript, you can easily adjust by removing the types.

Installing Dependencies

Install `ethers`, an Ethereum library that facilitates interaction with the Ethereum blockchain:

```
npm
install
ethers
```

Defining Contract Addresses and ABI

In this tutorial, we will be using the Wasm Precompile to interact with our CosmWasm contract from the EVM. Precompiles (short for Precompiled contracts) are EVM compatible contracts that are built into the chain. The Wasm Precompile is a unique smart contract on Sei that enables EVM clients to query and execute CosmWasm contracts. Refer to the docs on [interoperability](#) for more details about precompiles.

First, import the address and ABI of the CosmWasm precompile from `@sei-js/evm`.

@sei-js contains NPM libraries for writing applications that interact with Sei. Learn more [here\(opens in a new tab\)](#) . @sei-js/evm is an npm package that contains useful constants and helpers for interacting with the EVM on Sei.

To install sei-js:

```
npm
```

```
install
```

@sei-js/evm At the top of App.tsx you can then import WASM_PRECOMPILE_ADDRESS , WASM_PRECOMPILE_ABI . These constants allow us to interact with the Wasm Precompile.

```
import { WASM_PRECOMPILE_ADDRESS , WASM_PRECOMPILE_ABI , WasmPrecompileContract } from
 '@sei-js/evm' ; import { ethers } from
```

```
'ethers' ; These values will be used in the app to query and execute a contract.
```

Connecting to the Wallet and Initializing the Contract

Replace your mainApp component with the following:

```
App.tsx import { WASM_PRECOMPILE_ADDRESS , SeiChainInfo , getWasmPrecompileEthersV6Contract } from
```

```
'@sei-js/evm' ; import { useEffect , useState } from
```

```
"react" ; import { BrowserProvider , Contract , toUtf8Bytes , toUtf8String } from
```

```
"ethers" ; import
```

```
"./App.css" ;
```

```
function
```

```
App () { const [ count ,
```

```
setCount ] =
```

```
useState < string
```

```
    (); const [ contract ,
```

```
setContract ] =
```

```
useState < Contract
```

```
    (); const [ isIncrementing ,
```

```
setIsIncrementing ] =
```

```
useState ( false );
```

```
// TODO: Replace this with your CosmWasm contract address here const
```

```
COUNTER_CONTRACT_ADDRESS
```

```
=
```

```
"sei14hj2tavq8fpesdwxxcu44rty3hh90vhujrvcmstl4zr3txmfvw9sh9m79m" ;
```

```
const
```

```
fetchCount
```

```
=
```

```
async () => { if ( ! contract ) { return ; } // Query to get the count on the counter contract const
```

```
queryMsg
```

```
= { get_count : {} } ; const
```

```
queryResponse
```

```

=
await
contract .query ( COUNTER_CONTRACT_ADDRESS , toUtf8Bytes ( JSON .stringify (queryMsg)) ); const { count } =
JSON .parse ( toUtf8String (queryResponse)); setCount (count); };
useEffect (() => { fetchCount (); } , [contract]);
const
connectWallet
=
async () => { if ( window .ethereum) { const
provider
=
new
BrowserProvider ( window .ethereum); const { chainId } =
await
provider .getNetwork (); const
devnetChainId
=
SeiChainInfo . devnet .chainId if (chainId !==
BigInt (devnetChainId)) { alert ( "Wallet is not connected to Sei EVM devnet" ); return ; }
const
signer
=
await
provider .getSigner (); const
contract
=
getWasmPrecompileEthersV6Contract ( WASM_PRECOMPILE_ADDRESS , signer)
setContract (contract); } else { alert ( "No EVM compatible wallet installed" ); } };
const
incrementCount
=
async () => { if ( ! contract) { return ; }
setIsIncrementing ( true ); // Execute message to increment the count on the contract const
executeMsg
= { increment : {} }; const
executeResponse
=

```

await

```
contract .execute ( COUNTER_CONTRACT_ADDRESS , toUtf8Bytes ( JSON.stringify (executeMsg)) , toUtf8Bytes ( JSON.stringify ({})) // Used for sending funds if needed ); // Wait for the transaction to be confirmed await
```

```
executeResponse .wait (); console .log (executeResponse); setIsIncrementing ( false ); await
```

```
fetchCount (); };
```

```
return ( <> < div
```

className

```
"card"
```

```
{contract ? ( < div
```

```
< h1 Count is {count}</ h1
```

```
< button
```

disabled

```
{isIncrementing} onClick = {incrementCount}> {isIncrementing ?
```

```
"incrementing..."
```

```
:
```

```
"increment" } </ button
```

```
</ div
```

```
) : ( < button
```

onClick

```
{connectWallet}>Connect Wallet</ button
```

```
)} </ div
```

```
); }
```

```
export
```

```
default App;
```

Detailed outline of App.tsx

State Declarations

- count
- : Holds the current count fetched from the smart contract.
- contract
- : An instance of the ethers Contract object, used for interacting with the blockchain.
- isIncrementing
- : A boolean to manage UI state during contract execution

Effect Hooks

A single useEffect hook to fetch the current count whenever the contract state changes, indicating that the contract instance is ready for interaction.

Connecting to EVM Wallet

A function named connectWallet that:

- Checks for any EVM compatible wallet extension.

- Establishes a connection to the Ethereum network via the connected wallet, using ethers.js BrowserProvider.
- Verifies the correct network (Sei EVM devnet) by comparing chainId.
- Creates an ethers.js Contract instance with the signer from the wallet, setting it in the contract state for later use.

Fetching Contract Data

A function named `fetchCount` that:

- Executes a contract query to get the current count.
- Parses and updates the count state with the response.

Incrementing the Counter

A function named `incrementCount` that:

- Sends a transaction to the smart contract to increment the count.
- Waits for the transaction to be confirmed.
- Refetches the count to update the UI with the new value.

To see your app in action, run `npm run dev` to spin up a local version of the application. Once you connect your wallet, you should see a counter, as well as a button you can use to increment the counter on the contract.

Congrats on deploying your first interoperable dApp on Sei!

Conclusion

Congratulations on creating a website for querying and executing a smart contract on Sei! Explore more possibilities with your frontend at our [@sei-js repo \(opens in a new tab\)](#).

Last updated on May 27, 2024 [Installing seid CLI CosmWasm \(General\)](#)