

Bridging ETH to OP Mainnet With the Optimism SDK

This tutorial explains how you can use the [Optimism SDK\(opens in a new tab\)](#) to bridge ETH from L1 (Ethereum or Sepolia) to L2 (OP Mainnet or OP Sepolia). The Optimism SDK is an easy way to add bridging functionality to your javascript-based application. It also provides some safety rails to prevent common mistakes that could cause ETH or ERC-20 tokens to be made inaccessible.

Behind the scenes, the Optimism SDK uses the [Standard Bridge](#) contracts to transfer ETH and ERC-20 tokens. Make sure to check out the [Standard Bridge guide](#) if you want to learn more about how the bridge works under the hood.

Supported Networks

The Optimism SDK supports any of the [Superchain networks](#). [Some Superchain networks\(opens in a new tab\)](#) are already included in the SDK by default. If you want to use a network that isn't included by default you can simply [instantiate the SDK with the appropriate contract addresses](#) .

Dependencies

- [node\(opens in a new tab\)](#)
- [pnpm\(opens in a new tab\)](#)

Create a Demo Project

You're going to use the Optimism SDK for this tutorial. Since the Optimism SDK is [Node.js\(opens in a new tab\)](#) library, you'll need to create a Node.js project to use it.

Make a Project Folder

```
mkdir
op-sample-project cd
op-sample-project
```

Initialize the Project

```
pnpm
init
```

Install the Optimism SDK

```
pnpm
add
@eth-optimism/sdk
```

Install ethers.js

```
pnpm
add
```

ethers@5 Want to create a new wallet for this tutorial? If you have [cast \(opens in a new tab\)](#) installed you can run `cast wallet new` in your terminal to create a new wallet and get the private key.

Get ETH on Sepolia

This tutorial explains how to bridge ETH from Sepolia to OP Sepolia. You will need to get some ETH on Sepolia to follow along.

You can use [this faucet\(opens in a new tab\)](#) to get ETH on Sepolia.

Add a Private Key to Your Environment

You need a private key in order to sign transactions. Set your private key as an environment variable with the `export` command. Make sure this private key corresponds to an address that has ETH on Sepolia.

```
export TUTORIAL_PRIVATE_KEY = 0 x...
```

Start the Node REPL

You're going to use the Node REPL to interact with the Optimism SDK. To start the Node REPL run the following command in your terminal:

`node` This will bring up a Node REPL prompt that allows you to run javascript code.

Import Dependencies

You need to import some dependencies into your Node REPL session.

Import the Optimism SDK

```
const
optimism
=
require ( "@eth-optimism/sdk" )
```

Import ethers.js

```
const
ethers
=
require ( "ethers" )
```

Set Session Variables

You'll need a few variables throughout this tutorial. Let's set those up now.

Load your private key

```
const
privateKey
=
process . env . TUTORIAL_PRIVATE_KEY
```

Create the RPC providers and wallets

```
const
I1Provider
=
new
ethers . providers . StaticJsonRpcProvider ( "https://rpc.ankr.com/eth_sepolia" ) const
I2Provider
=
new
ethers . providers . StaticJsonRpcProvider ( "https://sepolia.optimism.io" ) const
```

```
l1Wallet
```

```
=
```

```
new
```

```
ethers.Wallet(privateKey, l1Provider) const
```

```
l2Wallet
```

```
=
```

```
new
```

```
ethers.Wallet(privateKey, l2Provider)
```

Get ETH

You're going to need some ETH on L1 that you can bridge to L2. You can get some Sepolia ETH from [this faucet \(opens in a new tab\)](#).

Deposit ETH

Now that you have some ETH on L1 you can deposit that ETH into the L1StandardBridge contract. You'll then receive the same number of ETH on L2 in return.

Check your wallet balance on L1

See how much ETH you have on L1 so you can confirm that the deposit worked later on.

```
console.log(async () =>
```

```
l1Wallet.getBalance()).toString())
```

Create a CrossChainMessenger instance

The Optimism SDK exports a CrossChainMessenger class that makes it easy to interact with the L1StandardBridge contract.

Create an instance of the CrossChainMessenger class:

```
const
```

```
messenger
```

```
=
```

```
new
```

```
optimism.CrossChainMessenger({ l1ChainId :
```

```
11155111,
```

```
// 11155111 for Sepolia, 1 for Ethereum l2ChainId :
```

```
11155420,
```

```
// 11155420 for OP Sepolia, 10 for OP Mainnet l1SignerOrProvider : l1Wallet, l2SignerOrProvider : l2Wallet, })
```

Deposit your ETH

Now you can deposit your ETH into the Standard Bridge contract. You'll deposit a small amount of ETH just to demonstrate the process.

```
tx
```

```
await
```

```
messenger.depositETH(ethers.utils.parseEther('0.006942')) await
```

tx .wait () Using a smart contract wallet? As a safety measure, depositETH will fail if you try to deposit ETH from a smart contract wallet without specifying a recipient . Add the recipient option to the depositETH call to fix this. Check out the [Optimism SDK docs \(opens in a new tab\)](#) for more info on the options you can pass to depositETH .

Wait for the deposit to be relayed

You can use the `waitForMessageStatus` function to wait for the deposit to be relayed to L2.

```
await  
messenger .waitForMessageStatus ( tx .hash ,  
optimism . MessageStatus . RELAYED )
```

Check your wallet balance on L1

You should now have less ETH on L1.

```
console .log (( await  
l1Wallet .getBalance () ) .toString ())
```

Check your wallet balance on L2

You should now have more ETH on L2.

```
console .log (( await  
l2Wallet .getBalance () ) .toString ())
```

Withdraw ETH

You just bridged some ETH from L1 to L2. Nice! Now you're going to repeat the process in reverse to bridge some ETH from L2 to L1.

Start your withdrawal on L2

The first step to withdrawing ETH from L2 to L1 is to start the withdrawal on L2.

```
const  
withdrawal  
=  
await  
messenger .withdrawETH ( ethers . utils .parseEther ( '0.004269' )) await  
withdrawal .wait ()
```

Check your wallet balance on L2

You should now have less ETH on L2, but your wallet balance on L1 will not have changed yet.

```
console .log (( await  
l2Wallet .getBalance () ) .toString ())
```

Wait until the withdrawal is ready to prove

The second step to withdrawing ETH from L2 to L1 is to prove to the bridge on L1 that the withdrawal happened on L2. You first need to wait until the withdrawal is ready to prove.

```
await  
messenger .waitForMessageStatus ( withdrawal .hash ,  
optimism . MessageStatus . READY_TO_PROVE )
```

This step can take a few minutes. Feel free to take a quick break while you wait.

Prove the withdrawal on L1

Once the withdrawal is ready to be proven, you'll send an L1 transaction to prove that the withdrawal happened on L2.

await

```
messenger .proveMessage ( withdrawal .hash)
```

Wait until the withdrawal is ready for relay

The final step to withdrawing ETH from L2 to L1 is to relay the withdrawal on L1. This can only happen after the fault proof period has elapsed. On OP Sepolia, this is only a few seconds. On OP Mainnet, this takes 7 days.

await

```
messenger .waitForMessageStatus ( withdrawal .hash ,
```

```
optimism . MessageStatus . READY_FOR_RELAY )
```

Relay the withdrawal on L1

Once the withdrawal is ready to be relayed you can finally complete the withdrawal process.

await

```
messenger .finalizeMessage ( withdrawal .hash)
```

Wait until the withdrawal is relayed

Now you simply wait until the message is relayed.

await

```
messenger .waitForMessageStatus ( withdrawal .hash ,
```

```
optimism . MessageStatus . RELAYED )
```

Check your wallet balance on L1

You should now have more ETH on L1.

```
console .log (( await
```

```
l1Wallet .getBalance ()) .toString ())
```

Next Steps

Congrats! You've just deposited and withdrawn ETH using the Optimism SDK. You should now be able to write applications that use the Optimism SDK to transfer ETH between L1 and L2. Although this tutorial used Sepolia and OP Sepolia, the same process works for Ethereum and OP Mainnet.

[Communicating Between Chains in Solidity Bridging ERC-20 Tokens With the Optimism SDK](#)