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## Applied and Action Learning

(Learning by Doing and Discovery)

**Name of the Experiment :** Debugging Deep – Using Hardhat Console & Logs

### \* Coding Phase: Pseudo Code / Flow Chart / Algorithm

#### ALGORITHM:

- 1.Start  
Set up the Hardhat development environment for local Ethereum testing.
- 2.Create a Smart Contract  
Write a Solidity contract that includes functions for testing and debugging purposes.
- 3.Import Hardhat Console Library  
Use import "hardhat/console.sol"; to enable console logging within Solidity code.
- 4.Add Console Logs  
Insert console.log() statements inside functions to track variable values, control flow, and logic execution.
- 5.Compile the Contract  
Run the compile command to ensure there are no syntax errors.
- 6.Deploy the Contract Locally  
Deploy it on a Hardhat local network using a script or console.
- 7.Use Hardhat Console for Debugging  
Launch Hardhat's interactive console to call functions and observe printed logs in real-time.
- 8.Check Console Outputs  
Analyze the logs displayed in the terminal to understand contract behavior and locate bugs.
- 9.Modify and Re-test  
Fix errors, recompile, redeploy, and re-test until the contract executes without issues.
- 10.End

### \* Softwares used

- 1.Node.js
- 2.Hardhat
- 3.Solidity Compiler
- 4.Visual Studio Code (VS Code)
- 5.Ethereum Local Network

## \* Implementation Phase: Final Output (no error)

Steps :

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1 // SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
2 pragma solidity ^0.8.19;
3
4 import "hardhat/console.sol";
5
6 contract Counter {
7     uint256 private _count;
8
9     constructor() {
10         console.log("Deploying Counter with initial count:", _count);
11     }
12
13     function increment() public {
14         console.log("Before increment, count was:", _count);
15         _count += 1;
16         console.log("After increment, count is:", _count);
17     }
18
19     function getCount() public view returns (uint256) {
20         console.log("Current count is:", _count);
21         return _count;
22     }
23 }

```

```

PS D:\WEB 3\Test> npm install --save-dev hardhat

added 59 packages in 55s

16 packages are looking for funding
  run `npm fund` for details
PS D:\WEB 3\Test>

```

```

PS D:\WEB 3\Test> npm install --save-dev --legacy-peer-deps @nomicfoundation/hardhat-toolbox

added 1 package, and audited 61 packages in 2s

16 packages are looking for funding
  run `npm fund` for details

found 0 vulnerabilities

```

```

PS D:\WEB 3\Test> npx hardhat test
Hardhat only supports ESM projects.

Please make sure you have `"type": "module"` in your package.json.

You can set it automatically by running:

npm pkg set type="module"

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PS D:\WEB 3\fresh-test> npm install --save-dev @nomiclabs/hardhat-ethers ethers@5.7.2 chai

added 27 packages, changed 9 packages, and audited 384 packages in 38s

107 packages are looking for funding
  run `npm fund` for details

11 vulnerabilities (7 low, 3 high, 1 critical)

To address issues that do not require attention, run:
  npm audit fix

Some issues need review, and may require choosing
a different dependency.

Run `npm audit` for details.
PS D:\WEB 3\fresh-test>

```

## \* Implementation Phase: Final Output (no error)

Applied and Action Learning

- **Error Detection & Log Analysis:** Implemented structured debugging using Hardhat console logs to identify and resolve compilation, deployment, and runtime errors in smart contracts efficiently.
- **Performance & Execution Tracking:** Enhanced debugging accuracy by monitoring transaction flow, gas usage, and function outputs through Hardhat's console and network tracing tools.
- **Code Validation & Testing Alignment:** Ensured smart contract reliability by cross-verifying console outputs with expected behaviors during test execution, maintaining consistency and transparency in results.
- **Scalability & Continuous Improvement:** Developed a modular debugging approach allowing quick iteration, improving developer efficiency, and supporting scalable project development across multiple contract versions.

## \* Observations

1. Hardhat console and console.log() help in tracking smart contract behavior during development for quick error detection.
2. Debugging through local logs ensures smooth and error-free deployment before moving to the live blockchain.

### ASSESSMENT

Rubrics	Full Mark	Marks Obtained	Remarks
Concept	10		
Planning and Execution/ Practical Simulation/ Programming	10		
Result and Interpretation	10		
Record of Applied and Action Learning	10		
Viva	10		
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>		

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*\*As applicable according to the experiment.  
Two sheets per experiment (10-20) to be used.*