

# Your Mission: Build a Solana Vault

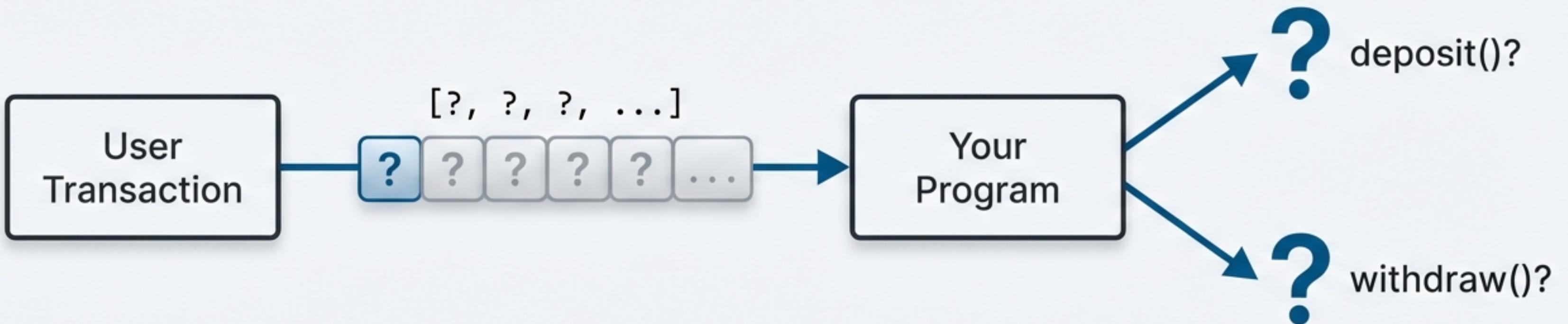
Let's walk through the task Burhan gave you, step-by-step.

## Your Assignment from Burhan:

- Build a Bank Vault
- Build recent client-and competition
- Forge to build a Lockup Configuration
- Build a Solana to claim vault manager

# The First Hurdle: How Does a Program Understand Commands?

Your Solana program will receive **raw data from** users as a **stream of bytes** (`&[u8]``). How does it know if the user wants to **deposit** or **withdraw**?



The program needs a system to interpret these raw bytes into specific actions.  
We'll build that system now.

# The Solution: A Simple Command System

We'll use the **first byte** of the instruction data to tell our program what to do.  
This first byte is called a "discriminant."

## To DEPOSIT:

The user's instruction data will look like this:

[0, 50, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]



The command: **0**  
means "deposit"

The amount (u64)

## To WITHDRAW:

The user's instruction data will look like this:

[1, 30, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]



The command: **1**  
means "withdraw"

The amount (u64)

This pattern is fundamental. `instruction_data[0]` tells you the "what," and `instruction_data[1..]` tells you the "how much" or other details.

# Your Tool for Routing Commands: The `match` Statement

Rust's `match` statement is perfect for this. It's like a powerful switch that checks a value and runs code based on which "arm" it matches.

## Let's look at a simple example:

```
// A simple Rust example
let instruction_byte = 0;

match instruction_byte {
    0 => println!("This is deposit"),
    1 => println!("This is withdraw"),
    _ => println!("Unknown"), // This is the default case
}
// Output: This is deposit
```

We are checking the value of `instruction\_byte`.

If the **value is 0**, run this code.

If the **value is 1**, run this code.

The underscore `\_` is a wildcard.  
If the value is anything else, run this default code.

# Let's Write the Code: The Program's Entry Point

Every Solana program has a main entry point. All instructions come here first.

Let's write the `process\_instruction` function signature.

## `lib.rs`

```
1 use solana_program::{
2     account_info::AccountInfo, entrypoint, entrypoint::ProgramResult,
3     msg, program_error::ProgramError, pubkey::Pubkey,
4 };
5
6 entrypoint!(process_instruction); ——————
7
8 pub fn process_instruction(
9     program_id: &Pubkey, ——————
10    accounts: &[AccountInfo], ——————
11    instruction_data: &[u8], ——————
12 ) -> ProgramResult {
13     // Our logic will go here
14 }
```

### 1 **entrypoint!(process\_instruction);**

**What it does:** This macro tells the Solana runtime that `process\_instruction` is the function to call when our program is invoked.

### 2 **program\_id: &Pubkey**

**What it is:** The unique address (ID) of your on-chain program.

### 3 **accounts: &[AccountInfo]**

**What it is:** A list of every account the transaction will read from or write to. Think of it as a "bag of keys" you need for the job.

### 4 **instruction\_data: &[u8]**

**What it is:** The raw byte data sent by the user. This contains our `0` or `1` command!

# Building the Router with `match`

Inside `process\_instruction`, we'll read the first byte of `instruction\_data` and use `match` to call the correct function.

inside `process\_instruction`

```
pub fn process_instruction(  
    program_id: &Pubkey,  
    accounts: &[AccountInfo],  
    instruction_data: &[u8],  
) -> ProgramResult {  
  
    // First, handle the case of no data at all.  
    if instruction_data.is_empty() {  
        return Err(ProgramError::InvalidInstructionData);  
    }  
  
    // Now, use match on the first byte  
    match instruction_data[0] {  
        0 => deposit(program_id, accounts, &instruction_data[1..]),  
        1 => withdraw(program_id, accounts, &instruction_data[1..]),  
        _ => Err(ProgramError::InvalidInstructionData),  
    }  
}
```

- We are matching against the **first byte** (the discriminant).
- If the first byte is `0`, we call a new function named `deposit`.
- This is called "slicing." It passes the **rest of the data** (everything *after* the first byte) to the `deposit` function. This is where the transfer amount will be.
- If the byte is not `0` or `1`, we return an error.

# Creating the `deposit` and `withdraw` Functions

Our `match` statement calls `deposit` and `withdraw`, so let's create them. For now, they will just be simple placeholders that print a message.

**add this below `process\_instruction`**

```
// Called when instruction_data[0] == 0
fn deposit(
    _program_id: &Pubkey,
    _accounts: &[AccountInfo],
    _instruction_data: &[u8], // This is the rest of the data
) -> ProgramResult {
    msg!("Instruction: Withdraw");
    // TODO: Add SOL transfer logic here later
    Ok(())
}
```

**Teaching Point:** Notice how these functions have the same parameters. We pass everything down from the main `process_instruction` function. The `msg!` macro is how you print logs from a Solana program.

# Your Complete Program Boilerplate

Here is all the code we've written, put together in one file. This is the complete, working structure for your program's instruction router.

```
use solana_program::{
    account_info::AccountInfo, entrypoint, entrypoint::ProgramResult,
    msg, program_error::ProgramError, pubkey::Pubkey,
};

entrypoint!(process_instruction);

// Main entry point - ALL calls come here first
pub fn process_instruction(
    program_id: &Pubkey,
    accounts: &[AccountInfo],
    instruction_data: &[u8],
) -> ProgramResult {
    if instruction_data.is_empty() {
        return Err(ProgramError::InvalidInstructionData);
    }
    match instruction_data[0] {
        0 => deposit(program_id, accounts, &instruction_data[1..]),
        1 => withdraw(program_id, accounts, &instruction_data[1..]),
        _ => Err(ProgramError::InvalidInstructionData),
    }
}

// Called when instruction_data[0] == 0
fn deposit(
    program_id: &Pubkey,
    accounts: &[AccountInfo],
    instruction_data: &[u8],
    instruction_data: &[u8],
) -> ProgramResult {
    msg!("Instruction: Deposit");
    Ok(())
}

// Called when instruction_data[0] == 1
fn withdraw(
    program_id: &Pubkey,
    accounts: &[AccountInfo],
    accounts: &[AccountInfo],
    instruction_data: &[u8],
) -> ProgramResult {
    msg!("Instruction: Withdraw");
    Ok(())
}
```

# Let's Review: How the Router Works

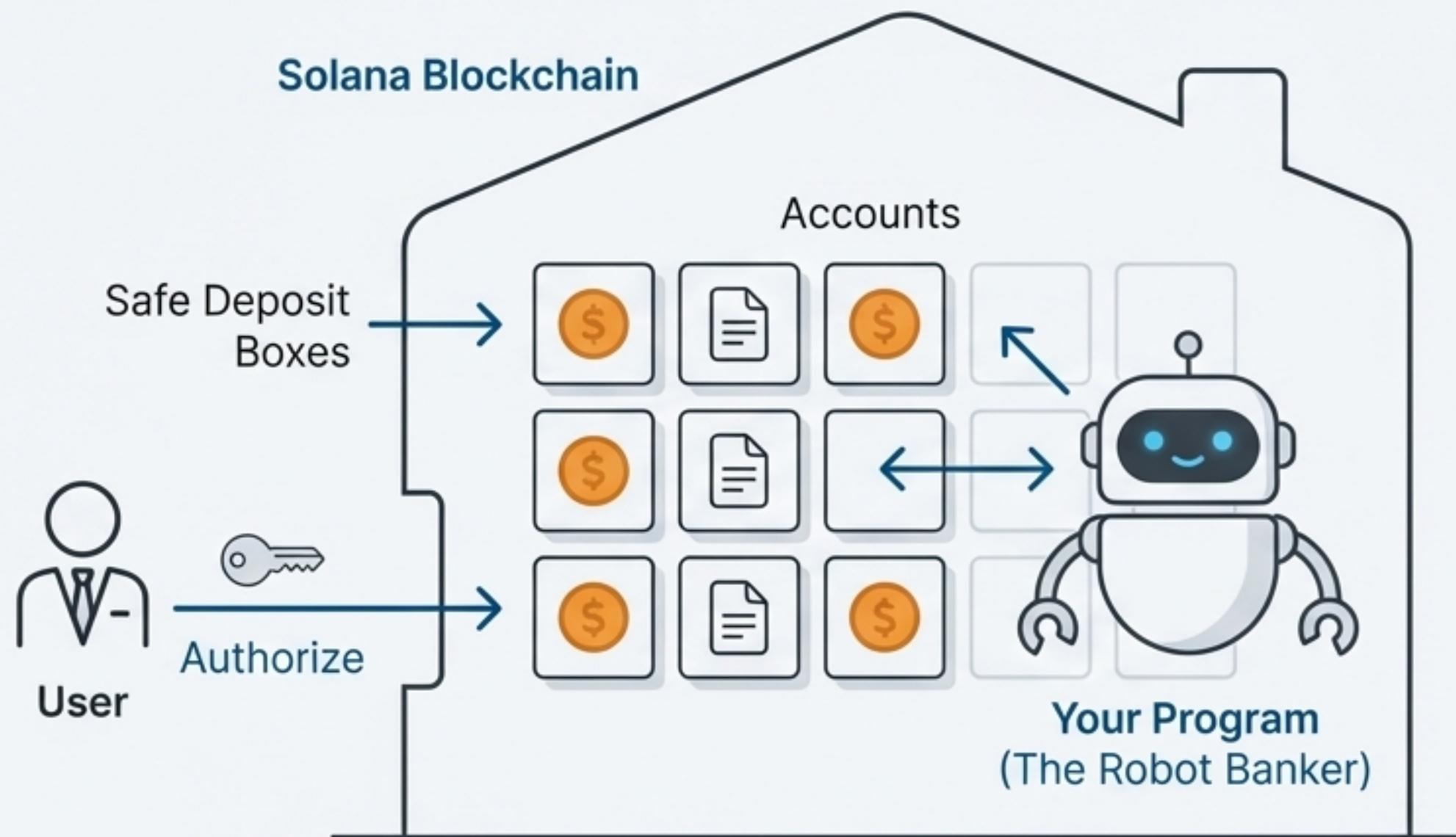
This table summarizes the logic you just built. Your program now correctly routes commands based on the first byte of data.

User Sends	First Byte	match Result	Function Called
[0, 50, 0, ...]	0	matches 0 =>	deposit()
[1, 30, 0, ...]	1	matches 1 =>	withdraw()
[5, 10, 0, ...]	5	matches _ =>	Returns <b>Error</b>
[] (empty)	(none)	Caught by is_empty() check	Returns <b>Error</b>

You've successfully completed the core routing logic. Now, let's understand the Solana architecture that makes the actual money transfers possible.

# How Solana Thinks: A Mental Model

To understand how to move SOL, let's use an analogy. Imagine your program is a Robot Banker.



- **Accounts** are like deposit boxes: They hold your SOL and data.
- **The User** has the **key**: Your private key lets you authorize moving SOL from *your account*.
- **The Program** is a **robot**: It can't sign for things itself, but it can give instructions to the blockchain to move assets it controls.

# Two Ways to Move Money: `invoke` vs. `invoke\_signed`

The Robot Banker has two different ways to tell the blockchain to move SOL, depending on *who* owns the money.

## DEPOSIT (using `invoke`)

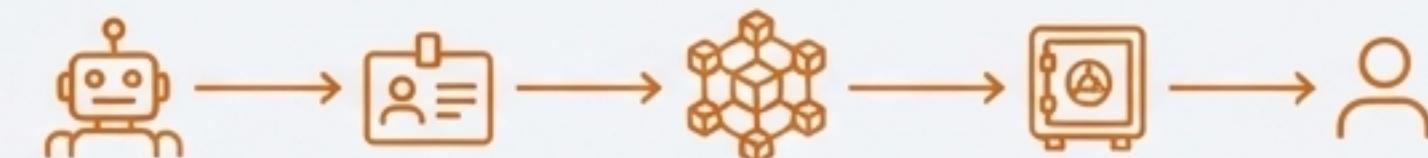
- **Goal:** User → Vault
- **Who loses money?:** The User.
- **How it works:** The User signs the transaction with their private key. Your program just says, "Hey Blockchain, the user already approved this, just do it."
- **Analogy:** You hand the banker a signed permission slip to move gold from your box to the vault. The banker just passes the slip to security.



`invoke()` = “Pass along the user’s signature.”

## WITHDRAW (using `invoke\_signed`)

- **Goal:** Vault → User
- **Who loses money?:** The Vault (a PDA).
- **How it works:** The Vault has no private key! The User can’t sign for it. Your program must sign for it, proving it has control.
- **Analogy:** The banker needs to move gold *out of* the vault. Since the vault has no key, the banker shows its official ID badge to security, which proves it has permission.



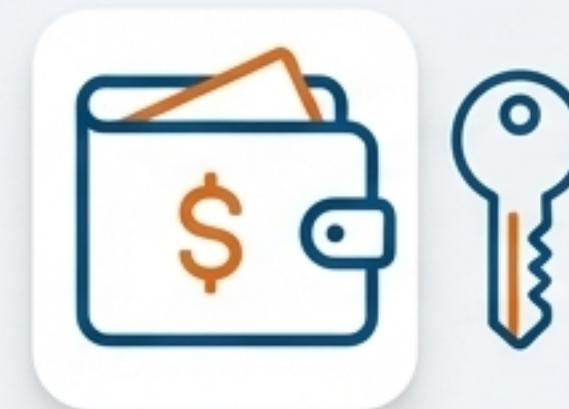
`invoke_signed()` = “The Program signs on behalf of its own account.”

# What is a PDA? The Program's Personal Safe

The Vault account we've been talking about is a special type of account called a Program Derived Address (PDA).

## Core Concept

- A PDA has a public key (an address), but it has no private key.
- A normal account is controlled by a private key (a password).
- A PDA is controlled by a program.



Normal Account

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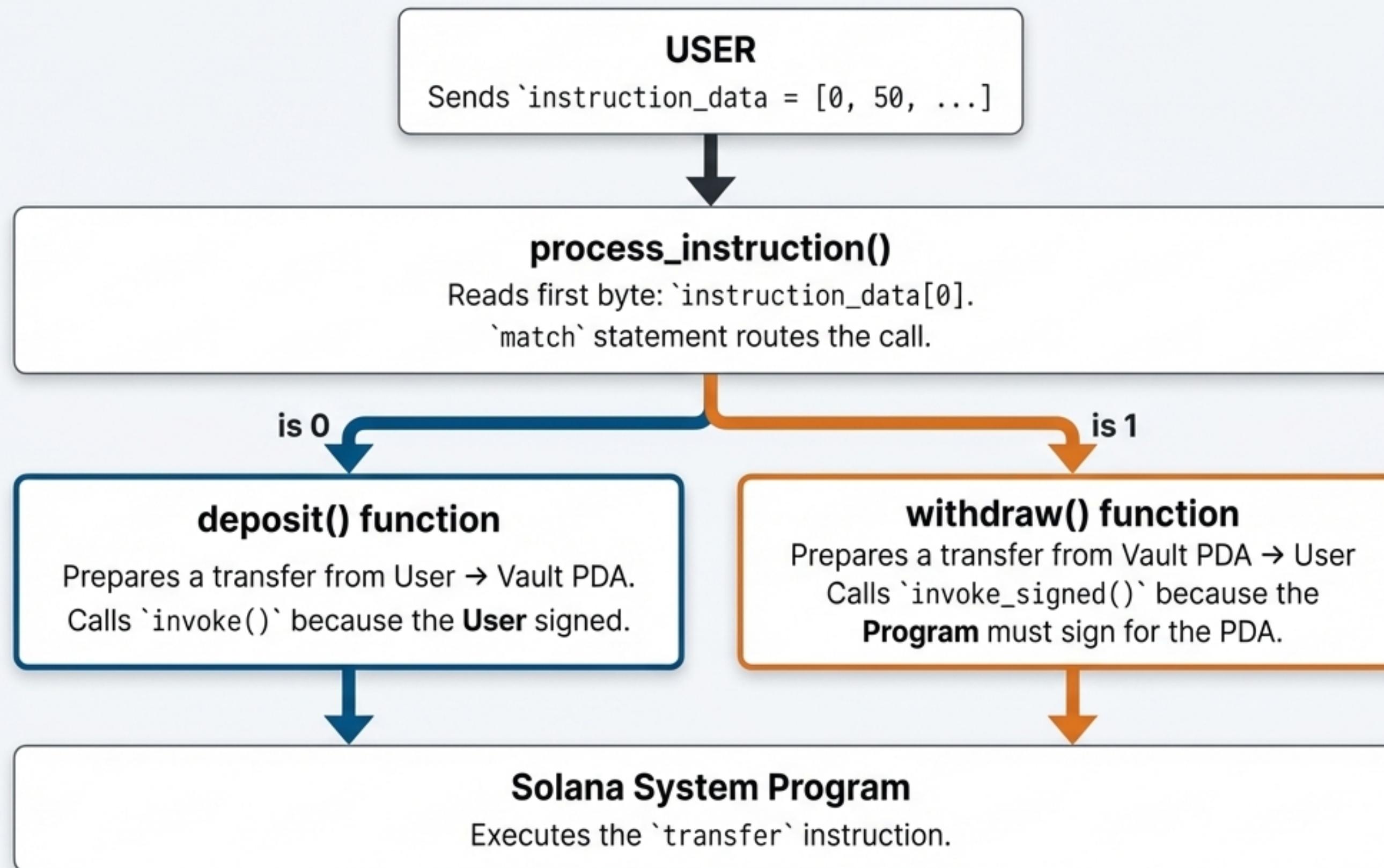


PDA  
(Controlled by Program)

## Why do we use them?

- **Security:** Since there's no private key, no human—not even the developer who wrote the code—can sign a transaction to steal the funds from the vault.
- **Trust:** It guarantees that funds can only be moved according to the rules written in your program's code.

# The Complete Transaction Flow



# Your Next Steps: Implementing the Transfers

You have the router. Now it's time to add the logic inside `deposit` and `withdraw` to actually move the SOL using `solana\_program::system\_instruction::transfer`.

In your `deposit` function, you will use `invoke`:

```
// The user signs, so we use invoke()
invoke(
    &system_instruction::transfer(user.key, vault.key, amount),
    &[user.clone(), vault.clone()],
)?;
```

In your `withdraw` function, you will use `invoke\_signed`:

```
// The program signs for the PDA, so we use invoke_signed()
invoke_signed(
    &system_instruction::transfer(vault.key, user.key, amount),
    &[vault.clone(), user.clone()],
    &[&[b"vault", &[bump_seed]]], // The PDA's "virtual signature"
)?;
```

The PDA's "virtual signature"

**\*\*Guidance\*\*:** Focus on understanding which function to use and why. The `accounts` you'll need will be passed into your functions.

# Key Takeaways & Final Check

You now have all the pieces to complete your task.

## Key Concepts We've Covered:

1. **Instruction Discriminant:** The first byte (`[0]` or `[1]`) tells your program what to do.
2. **Rust `match`:** The perfect tool for routing instructions based on the discriminant.
3. `invoke()`: Used when the account losing funds is a signer (like a user depositing).
4. `invoke\_signed()`: Used when the account losing funds is a PDA that the program controls (like the vault during a withdrawal).

## Test Yourself

- A user sends `[0, 100, 0, 0]`. What function runs?
- A user sends `[1, 50, 0, 0]`. What function runs?
- A user sends `[3, 0, 0, 0]`. What happens?
- Why do we pass `&instruction\_data[1..]` when calling the `deposit` and `withdraw` functions?