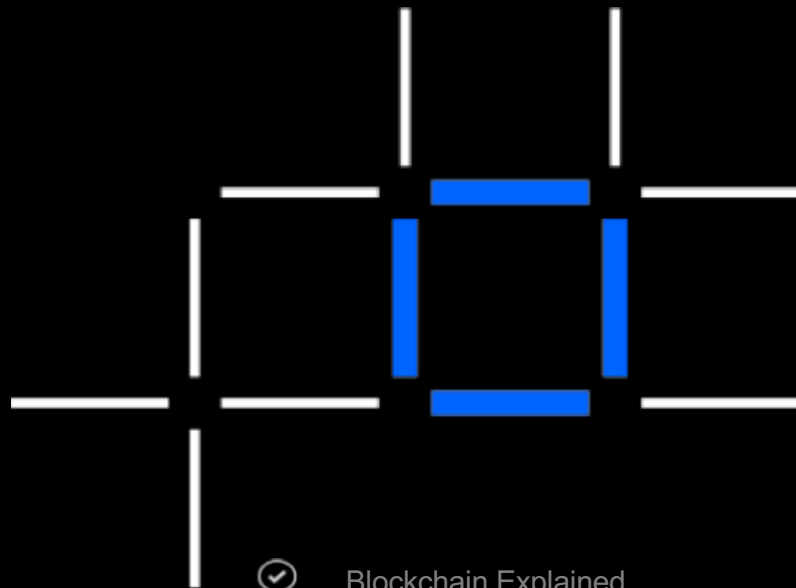


# Blockchain Composed

A Technical Introduction to Hyperledger Composer

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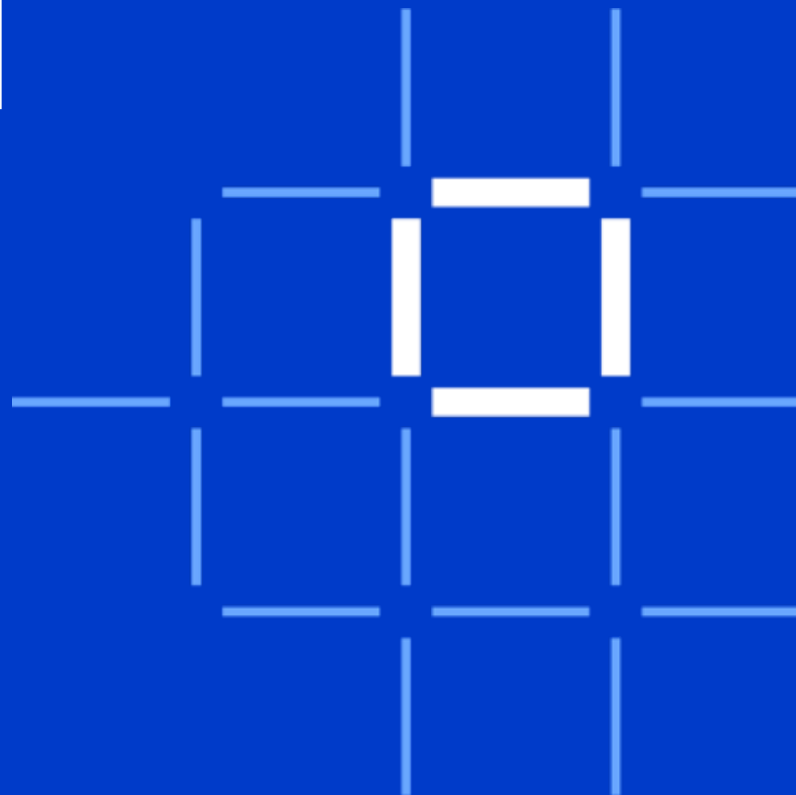
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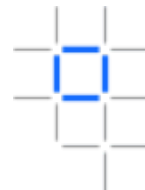


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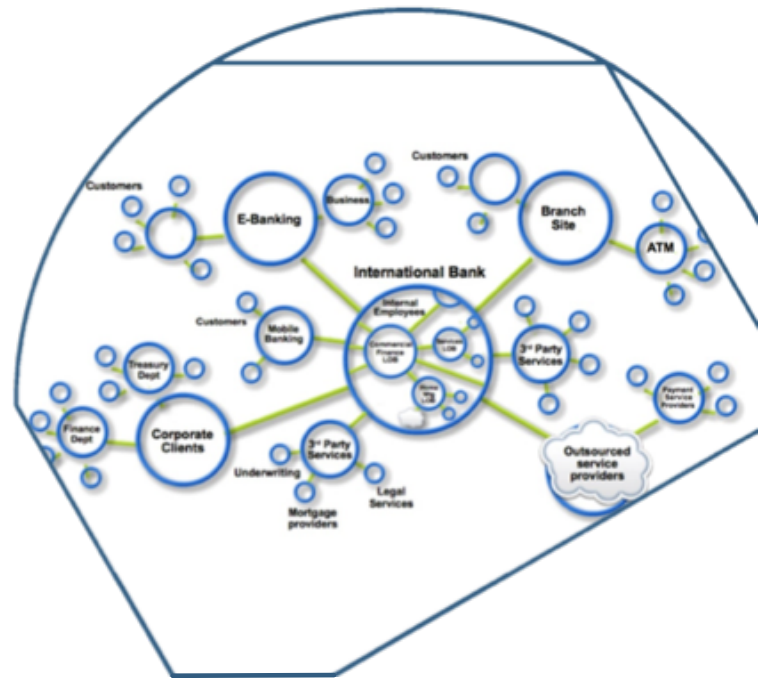
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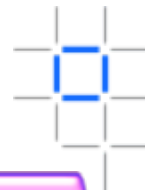
# Blockchain Recap



- Blockchain builds on basic business concepts
  - **Business Networks** connect businesses
  - **Participants** with Identity
  - **Assets** flow over business networks
  - **Transactions** describe asset exchange
  - **Contracts** underpin transactions
  - The **ledger** is a log of transactions
- Blockchain is a shared, replicated ledger
  - Consensus, immutability, finality, provenance



# Hyperledger Composer: Accelerating time to value

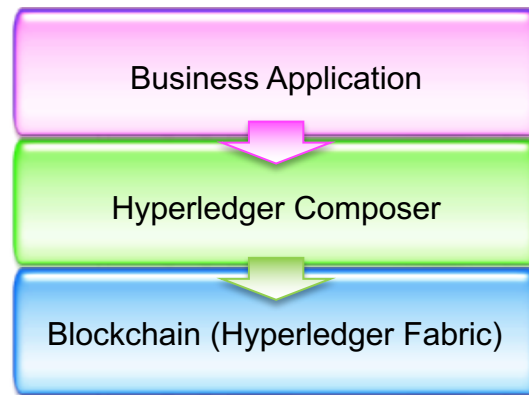


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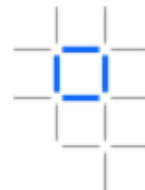
- A suite of high level application **abstractions** for business networks
- Emphasis on business-centric vocabulary for quick solution creation
- Reduce risk, and increase understanding and flexibility



- Features
  - Model your business networks, test and expose via APIs
  - Applications invoke APIs transactions to interact with business network
  - Integrate existing systems of record using loopback/REST
- Fully open and part of Linux Foundation Hyperledger
- Try it in your web browser now: <http://composer-playground.mybluemix.net/>



# Benefits of Hyperledger Composer



## **Increases understanding**

Bridges simply from  
business concepts to  
blockchain



## **Saves time**

Develop blockchain  
applications more  
quickly and cheaply



## **Reduces risk**

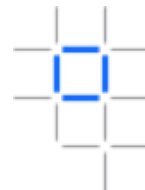
Well tested, efficient  
design conforms to  
best practice



## **Increases flexibility**

Higher level  
abstraction makes it  
easier to iterate

# Extensive, Familiar, Open Development Toolset



```
asset Animal identi
  o String animal
  o AnimalType sp
  o MovementStatu
  o ProductionTyp
```

Data modelling



JavaScript  
business logic



Web playground

```
composer-client
composer-admin
```



Client libraries



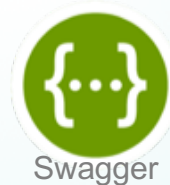
Editor support

```
$ composer
```

CLI utilities



Code generation



Existing systems and  
data

# User Roles in a Blockchain Project



## – Network Provider

- **Governs** the network: channels, membership etc.
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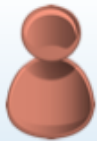
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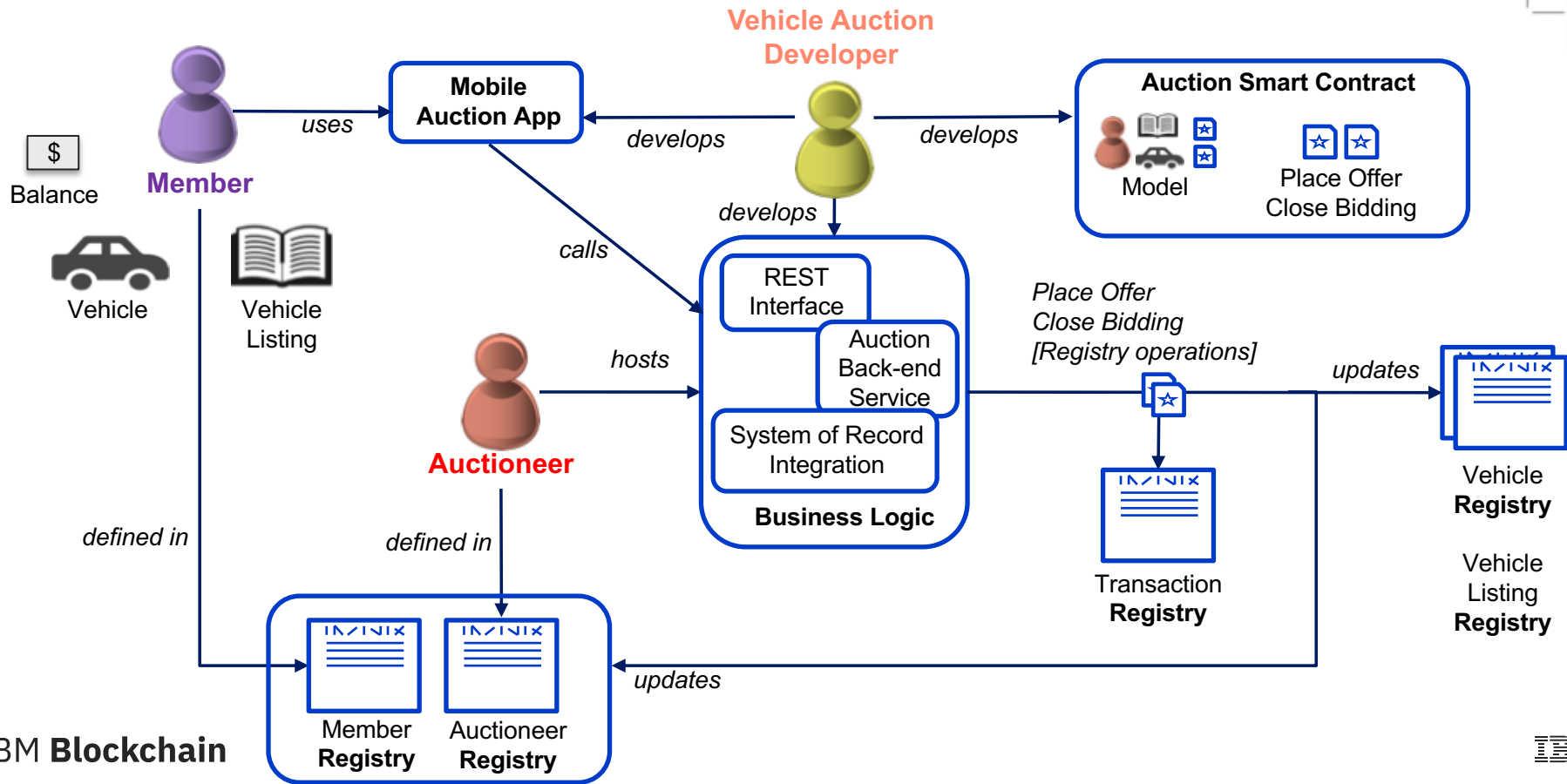
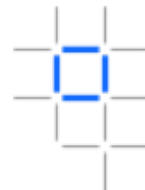
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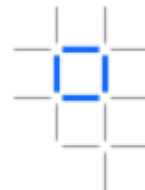




# Key Concepts for a Vehicle Auction Developer



# The Developer's three components



## Smart Contracts

- Implements the logic deployed to the blockchain
  - **Models** describe assets, participants & transactions
  - **Transaction processors** provide the JavaScript implementation of transactions
  - **ACLs** define privacy rules
  - May also define events and registry queries



## Business Logic

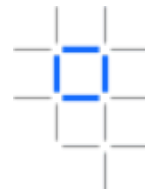
- **Services** that interact with the registries
  - Create, delete, update, query and invoke smart contracts
  - Implemented inside business applications, integration logic and REST services
- Hosted by the Business Consumer



## Presentation Logic

- Provides the **front-end** for the end-user
  - May be several of these applications
- Interacts with business logic via standard interfaces (e.g. REST)
- Composer can generate the REST interface from model and a sample application

# Assets, Participants and Transactions



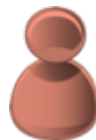
Vehicle



Vehicle Listing



Member



Auctioneer



Place Offer  
Close Bidding

```
asset Vehicle identified by vin {  
  o String vin  
  --> Member owner  
}
```

```
asset VehicleListing identified by listingId {  
  o String listingId  
  o Double reservePrice  
  o String description  
  o ListingState state  
  o Offer[] offers optional  
  --> Vehicle vehicle  
}
```

```
abstract participant User identified by email {  
  o String email  
  o String firstName  
  o String lastName  
}  
  
participant Member extends User {  
  o Double balance  
}  
  
participant Auctioneer extends User {  
}
```

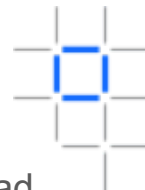
```
transaction Offer {  
  o Double bidPrice  
  --> VehicleListing listing  
  --> Member member  
}  
  
transaction CloseBidding {  
  --> VehicleListing listing  
}
```

Transaction  
Processors

```
/**  
 * Close the bidding for a vehicle listing and choose the  
 * highest bid that is  
 * @param {org.acme.vehicle.auction.VehicleListing} listing - the listing  
 * @transaction  
 */  
function closeBidding(  
  var listing = clos  
  if (listing.state
```

```
/**  
 * Make an Offer for a VehicleListing  
 * @param {org.acme.vehicle.auction.Offer} offer - the offer  
 * @transaction  
 */  
function makeOffer(offer) {  
  var listing = offer.listing;  
  if (listing.state !== 'FOR_SALE') {
```

# Access Control



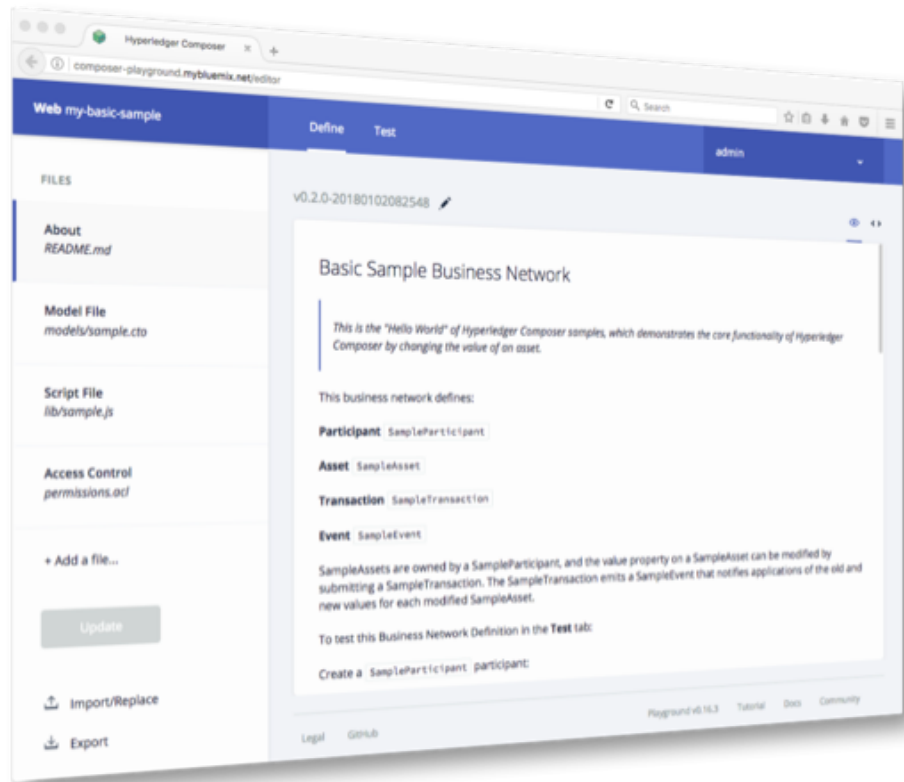
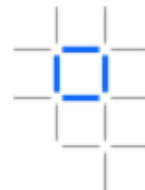
```
rule EverybodyCanReadEverything {
  description: "Allow all participants read access to all resources"
  participant: "org.acme.sample.SampleParticipant"
  operation: READ
  resource: "org.acme.sample.*"
  action: ALLOW
}
```

```
rule OwnerHasFullAccessToTheirAssets {
  description: "Allow all participants full access to their assets"
  participant(p): "org.acme.sample.SampleParticipant"
  operation: ALL
  resource(r): "org.acme.sample.SampleAsset"
  condition: (r.owner.getIdentifier() == p.getIdentifier())
  action: ALLOW
}
```

```
rule SystemACL {
  description: "System ACL to permit all access"
  participant: "org.hyperledger.composer.system.Participant"
  operation: ALL
  resource: "org.hyperledger.composer.system.*"
  action: ALLOW
}
```

- It is possible to restrict which resources can be read and modified by which participants
  - Rules are defined in an .acl file and deployed with the rest of the model
  - Transaction processors can also look up the current user and implement rules programmatically
- ACL rules can be simple (e.g. everybody can read all resources) or more complex (e.g. only the owner of an asset can do anything to it)
- Application supplies credentials (userid/secret) of the participant when connecting to the Fabric network
  - This also applies to Playground!
  - Remember to grant System ACL all access if necessary

# Smart Contract Development: Composer Playground



- Web tool for defining and testing Hyperledger Composer models and scripts
- Designed for the application developer
  - Define assets, participants and transactions
  - Implement transaction processor scripts
  - Test by populating registries and invoking transactions
- Deploy to instances of Hyperledger Fabric V1, or simulate completely within browser
- Install on your machine or run online at <http://composer-playground.mybluemix.net>

# Debugging

- Playground Historian allows you to view all transactions
  - See what occurred and when
- Diagnostics framework allows for application level trace
  - Uses the *Winston* Node.js logging framework
  - Application logging using DEBUG env var
  - Composer Logs sent to stdout and `./logs/trace_<processid>.trc`
- Fabric chaincode tracing also possible
- More information online:  
<https://hyperledger.github.io/composer/problems/diagnostics.html>

The screenshot shows the 'Default Historian Registry' interface. It features a table with columns: ID, Time, Participant ID, and Transaction Type. Below the table, a 'Transaction Data' modal is open, displaying a JSON object representing a transaction record.

ID	Time	Participant ID	Transaction Type
af9faaf-d973-4647-9fad-0f58c0b...	17:15:00	emma	Offer
74e63603-7c7f-4bf2-b917-4c9707...	17:14:34	<system>	ActivateCurrentIdentity

```
1 {
2   "$class": "org.hyperledger.composer.system.HistorianRecord",
3   "transactionId": "af9faaf-d973-4647-9fad-0f58c0ba7d15",
4   "transactionType": "Offer",
5   "transactionInvoked":
6     "resource:org.hyperledger.composer.system.Transaction#af9faaf-d973-4647-9fad-0f58c0ba7d15",
7   "participantInvoking":
8     "resource:org.hyperledger.composer.system.Participant#emma",
9   "identityUsed":
10    "resource:org.hyperledger.composer.system.Identity#8d0fd5ef7c0062f67853ecf9b36544b2e2c36f0e9b9536166dc0f056a62a032",
11   "eventsEmitted": [],
12   "transactionTimestamp": "2017-08-11T16:15:00.161Z"
13 }
```



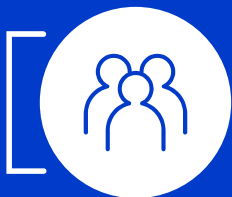
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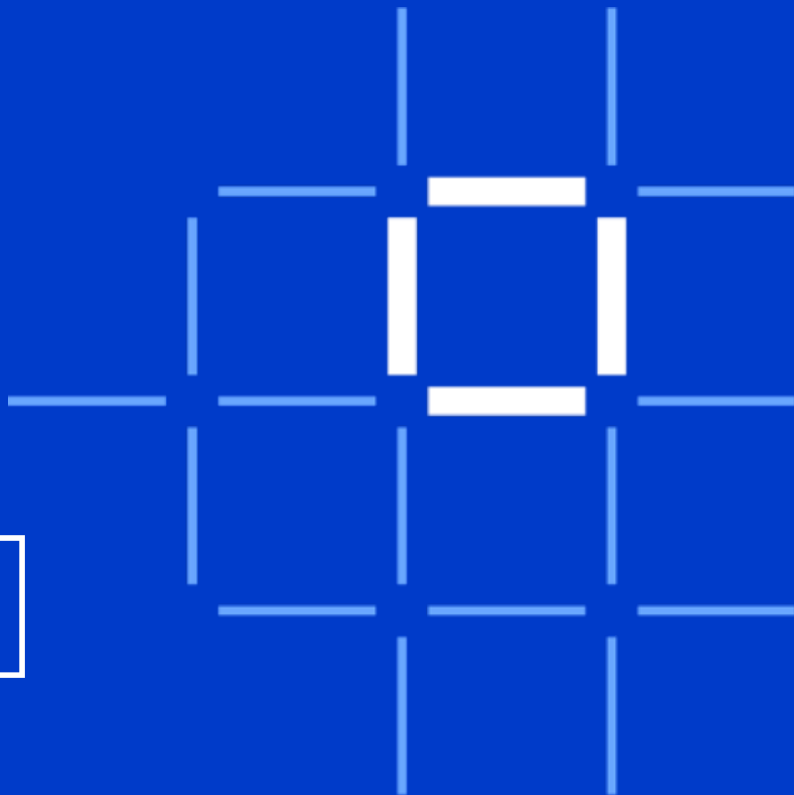
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Effective Administration

*Deploying to a blockchain*

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# There are Two User Roles with “Administration” Responsibility



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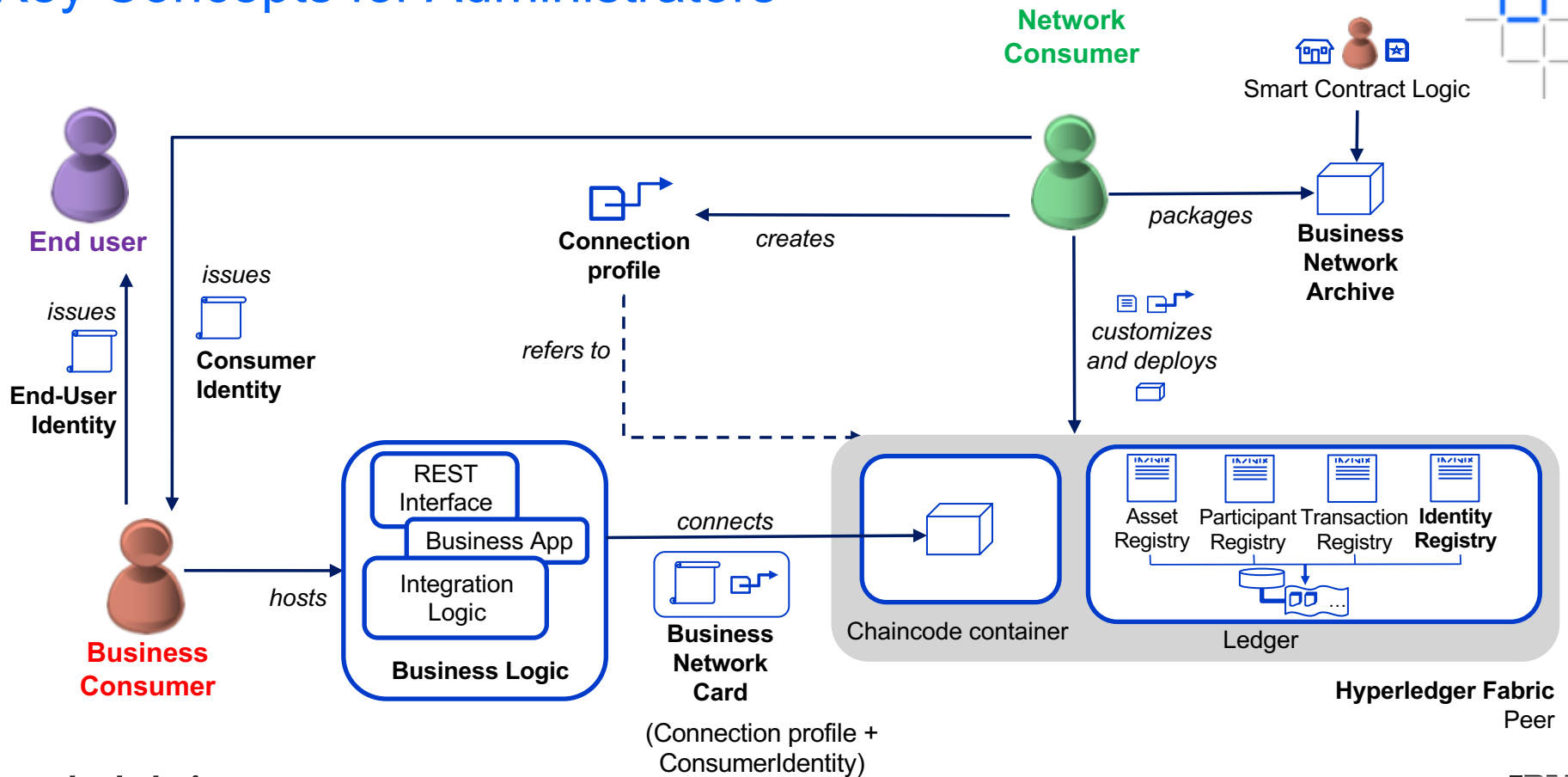
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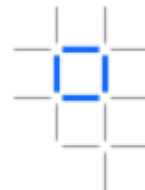
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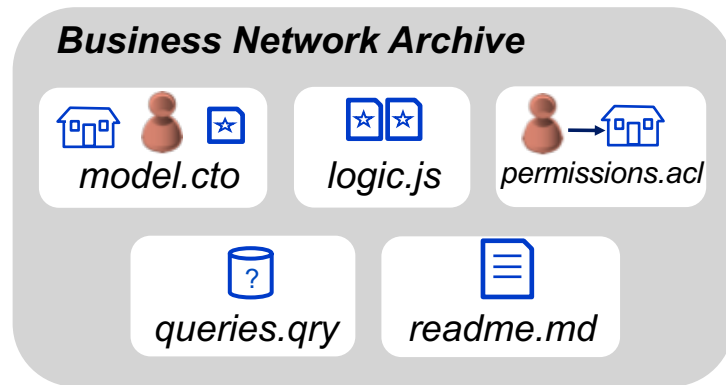
# Key Concepts for Administrators



# The Network Consumer packages resources into a BNA file

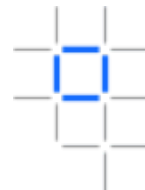


- Business Network Archive (.BNA) is a package of the resources used by Fabric:
  - Model files (.CTO)
  - Transaction processors (.JS)
  - Access Control Lists (.ACL)
  - Static queries (.QRY)
  - Documentation and versioning (.MD)
  - It does *not* contain the client application
- The BNA simplifies deployment of blockchain and promotion between environments
  - c.f. TAR, WAR, EAR, JAR, BAR...
- Create BNA files from Playground or command line
  - Build from filesystem or NPM module



```
composer archive create -archiveFile my.bna  
--sourceType module --sourceName myNetwork
```

# Connection Profiles to Hyperledger Fabric



Basic Configuration

Connection Profile Name	hifabric		
Orderer(s)	Orderer URL	grpc://orderer.example.com:7050	
Channel	composerchannel		
MSP ID	Org1MSP		
Certificate Authority (CA)	URL	http://ca.org1.example.com:7054	
	Name	ca.org1.example.com	
Peer(s)	Peer Request URL	grpc://peer0.org1.example.com:7051	
	Peer Event URL	grpc://peer0.org1.example.com:7053	
Key Value Store Directory	/home/composer/.composer-credentials		

Advanced

Use this profile    Export Connection Profile

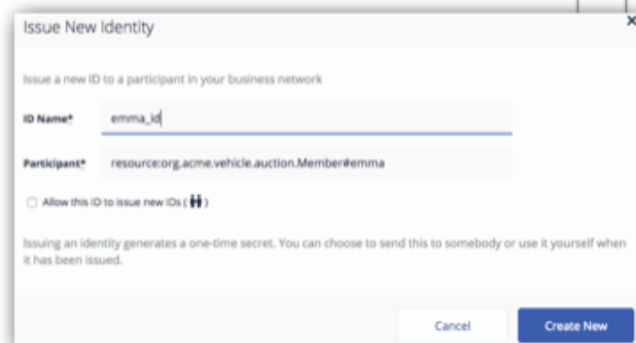
- Use **connection profiles** to describe Fabric connection parameters
  - One connection profile required per channel
  - Not necessary for web-based simulation
- Enrollment in Hyperledger Fabric network required
  - Issue Fabric identity from Composer participants

- Connection profiles currently used by Composer only
  - Plans to implement common connection profiles that can be used by both Fabric and Composer

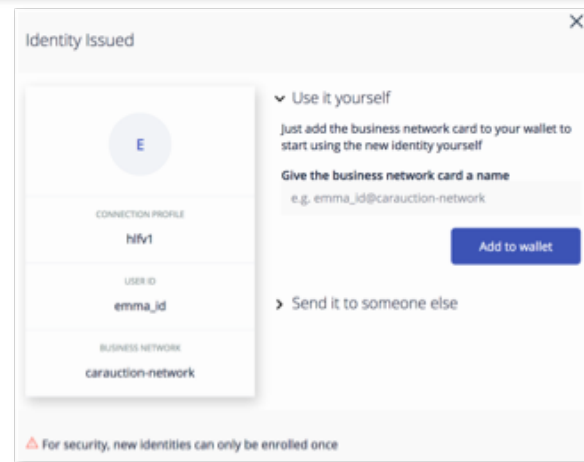
```
1 {
2   "type": "hifv1",
3   "orderers": [
4     { "url": "grpc://localhost:7050" }
5   ],
6   "ca": { "url": "http://localhost:7054",
7     "name": "ca.org1.example.com"
8   },
9   "peers": [
10    {
11      "requestURL": "grpc://localhost:7051",
12      "eventURL": "grpc://localhost:7053"
13    }
14  ],
15   "keyValStore": "${HOME}/.composer-credentials",
16   "channel": "composerchannel",
17   "mspID": "Org1MSP",
18   "timeout": "30s"
19 }
20 }
```

# Participant Identity

- The **Network Consumer** issues network participants with an **identity** in order to connect to Hyperledger Fabric
  - Issued as a Hyperledger Fabric userid/secret
  - Automatically swapped for a certificate on first use
  - Packaged in a Business Network Card and supplied when the client application connects
- Composer Participant to Fabric Identity mapping is stored on the blockchain in an *identity registry*
- Usually, only **Business Consumers** have a Fabric identity
  - **End-users** log in to the business application using a separately managed identity; blockchain transactions invoked by proxy
- Manage identity from Playground, Javascript, REST or command line
  - For example: Test connection, issue identity, bind an identity to a participant, revoke an identity, list identities



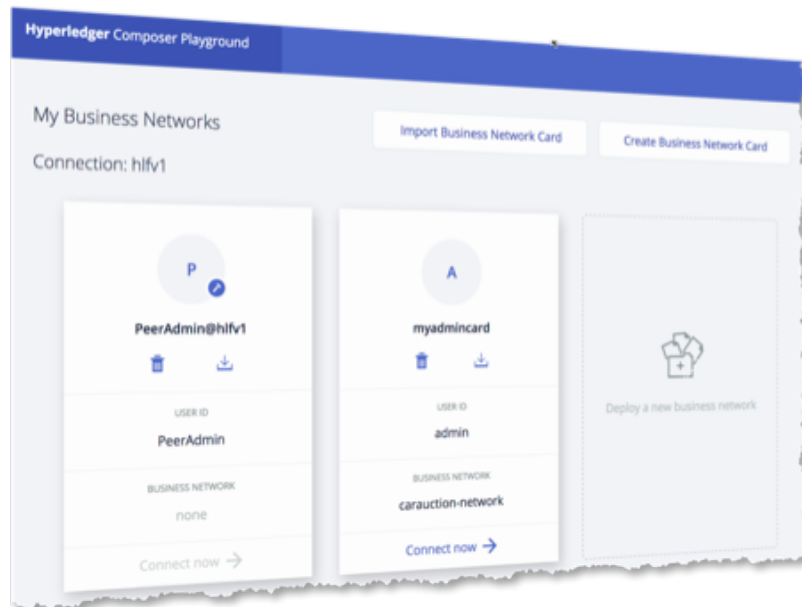
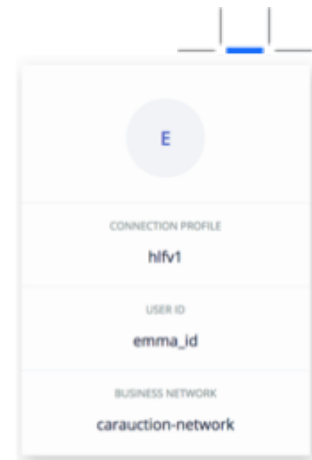
The 'Issue New Identity' dialog box is shown. It has a title bar with a close button. The main text says 'Issue a new ID to a participant in your business network'. There are two input fields: 'ID Name\*' with the value 'emma\_id' and 'Participant\*' with the value 'resource:org.acme.vehicle.auction.Member#emma'. Below these is a checkbox labeled 'Allow this ID to issue new IDs (H)' which is unchecked. At the bottom, there is a note: 'Issuing an identity generates a one-time secret. You can choose to send this to somebody or use it yourself when it has been issued.' and two buttons: 'Cancel' and 'Create New'.



The 'Identity Issued' dialog box is shown. It has a title bar with a close button. On the left, there is a card titled 'CONNECTION PROFILE' with a blue circle containing 'E'. Below it, the text 'HfV1' is shown. Underneath that, 'USER ID' is shown with the value 'emma\_id'. At the bottom, 'BUSINESS NETWORK' is shown with the value 'carauction-network'. On the right, there is a section titled 'Use it yourself' with the text 'Just add the business network card to your wallet to start using the new identity yourself'. Below this, it says 'Give the business network card a name' with the example 'e.g. emma\_id@carauction-network'. There is a blue button labeled 'Add to wallet'. Below that, there is a section titled 'Send it to someone else'. At the bottom, there is a warning icon and text: 'For security, new identities can only be enrolled once'.

# Business Network Cards

- Business Network Cards are a convenient packaging of *identity* and *connection profile*
  - Contains everything you need to connect to blockchain business network
  - Each card refers to a single participant and single business network
  - Analogous to an ATM card



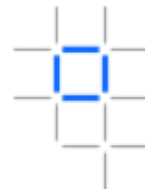
- Manage cards from both Playground and command-line
  - Create, delete, export, import, list
  - Create requires userid/secret or certificate/private key
- Use cards to connect to Fabric from Playground, command-line or from within your application

```
composer network deploy -a my.bna -c my.card
```

```
// Connect and log in to HLF
var businessNetwork = new BusinessNetworkConnection();
return businessNetwork.connect('cardName')
.then(function(businessNetworkDefinition){
    // Connected
});
```

# Systems of Record Integration

- Domain specific APIs very attractive to mobile and web developers. Resources and operations are business-meaningful
- Composer exploits Loopback framework to create REST APIs: <https://loopback.io/>
- Extensive test facilities for REST methods using loopback
- Secured using JS Passport, giving >400 options for authentication
- Composer provides back-end integration with any loopback compatible product
  - e.g. IBM Integration Bus, API Connect, StrongLoop
  - Outbound and Inbound (where supported by middleware)



## angular-app

Auctioneer : A participant named Auctioneer

Show/Hide | List Operations

**CloseBidding** : A transaction named CloseBidding

Show/Hide | List Operations

Member : A participant named Member

Show/Hide | List Operations

Offer : A transaction named Offer

Show/Hide | List Operations

**Vehicle** : An asset named Vehicle

Show/Hide | List Operations

GET /Vehicle

Find all instances of the model matched by filter from

POST /Vehicle

Create a new instance of the model and persist it in

GET /Vehicle/{id}

Find a model instance by {[id]} from

### Request URL

http://0.0.0.0:3000/api/Vehicle

### Response Body

```
{
  {
    "$class": "org.acme.vehicle.auction.Vehicle",
    "vin": "VEH:1234",
    "owner": "odowda@uk.ibm.com"
  }
}
```

# Hyperledger Composer Outlook

- Still early in product lifecycle
- Lots of improvements planned
  - See <https://github.com/hyperledger/composer/issues>
- An active development community
  - Open community calls every two weeks
  - Rocket Chat
  - Stack Overflow
- Get involved!



## Hyperledger Rocket.Chat

You will need a [Linux Foundation ID](#) , or alternatively you can log in with Facebook, GitHub, Google, or OpenStack.

Let's chat

## Stack Overflow

Ask questions in Stack Overflow with the tag [#hyperledger-composer](#).

Ask now

## Contribute to the Project

### GitHub

Check out the code, feel free to get involved.

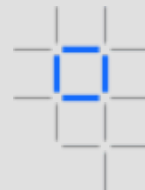
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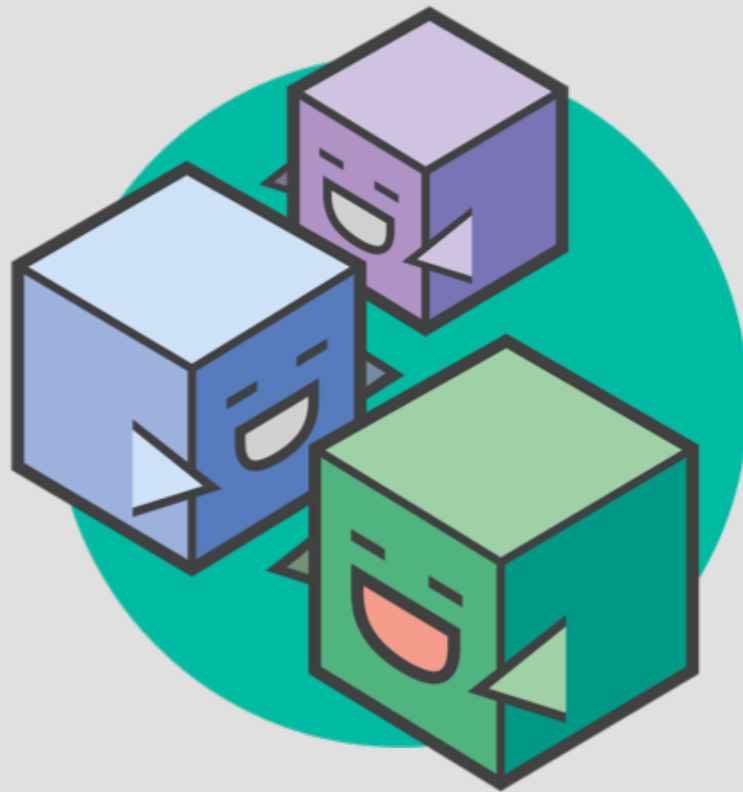
# Get started with Hyperledger Composer



- Define, Test and Deploy Business Networks
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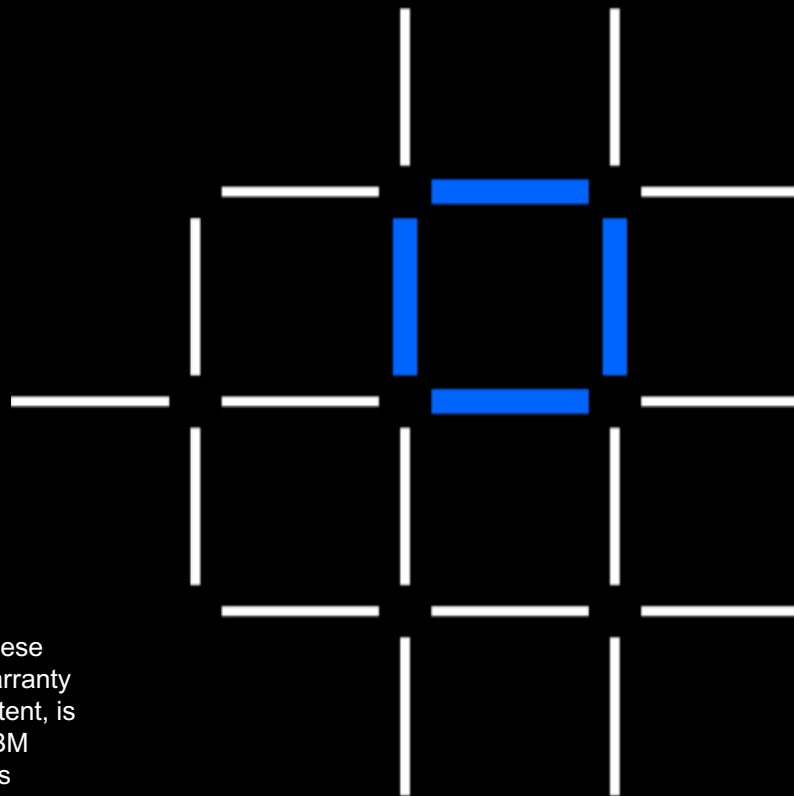
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