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Summer School of Solana

LECTURE 8

Security on Solana

About this lecture

- Exploits of common vulnerabilities
 - Hands-on
 - Anchor + Trdelnik
- Homework Consulting
- ABQ •

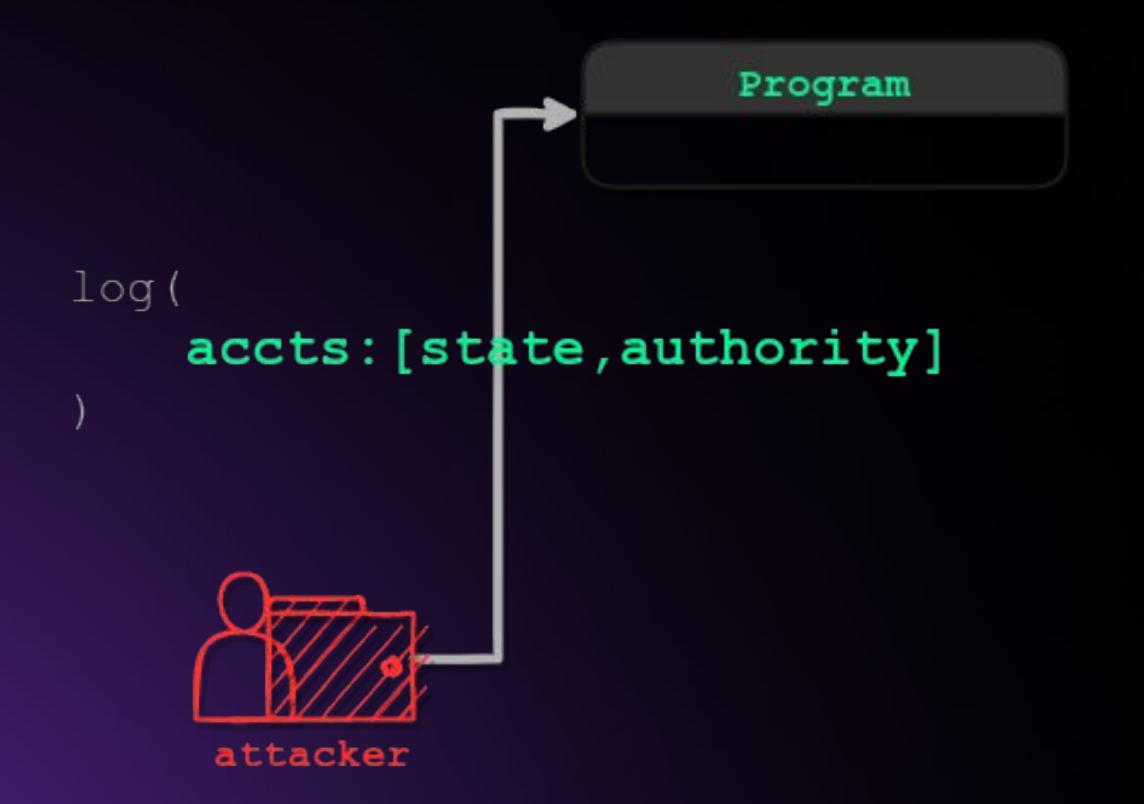
Signer authorization

• If your instruction takes in an authority account, make sure the account has signed the transaction.

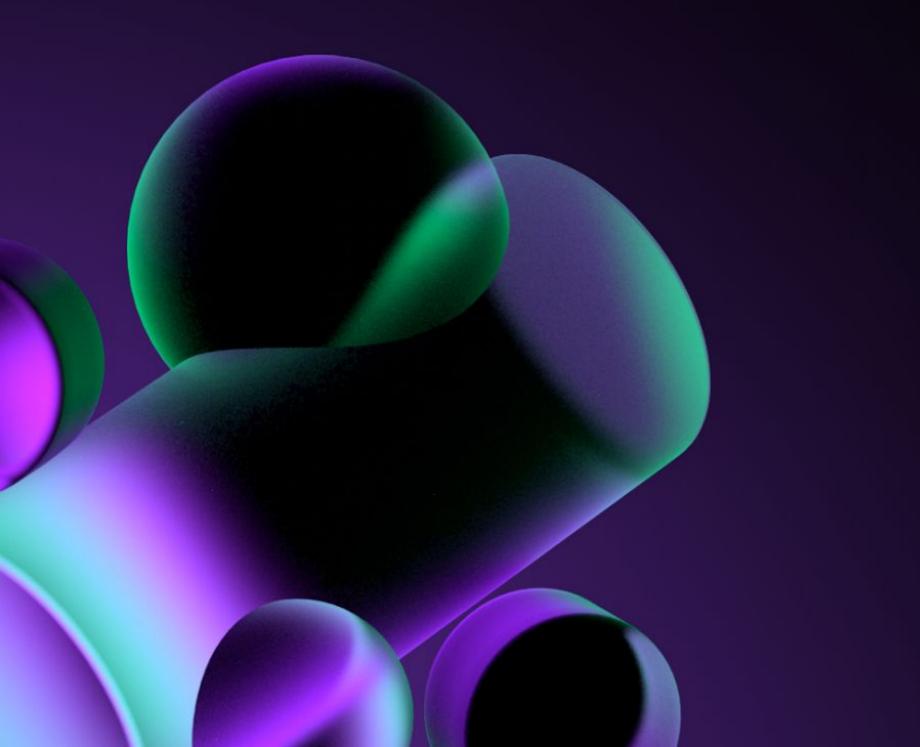


Signer authorization: Attack

• There is only authority instruction in the program. However...

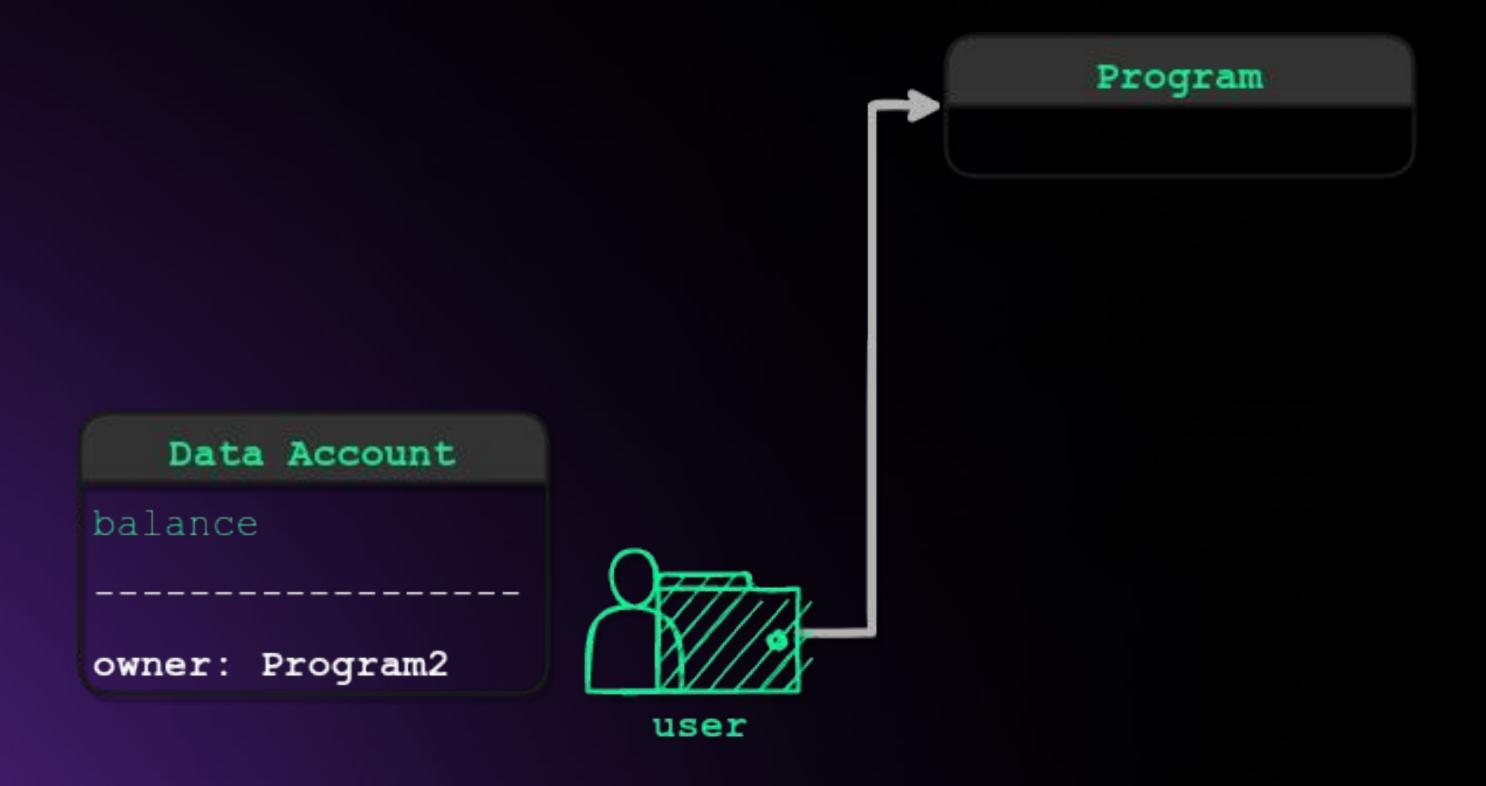


State Account authority ...



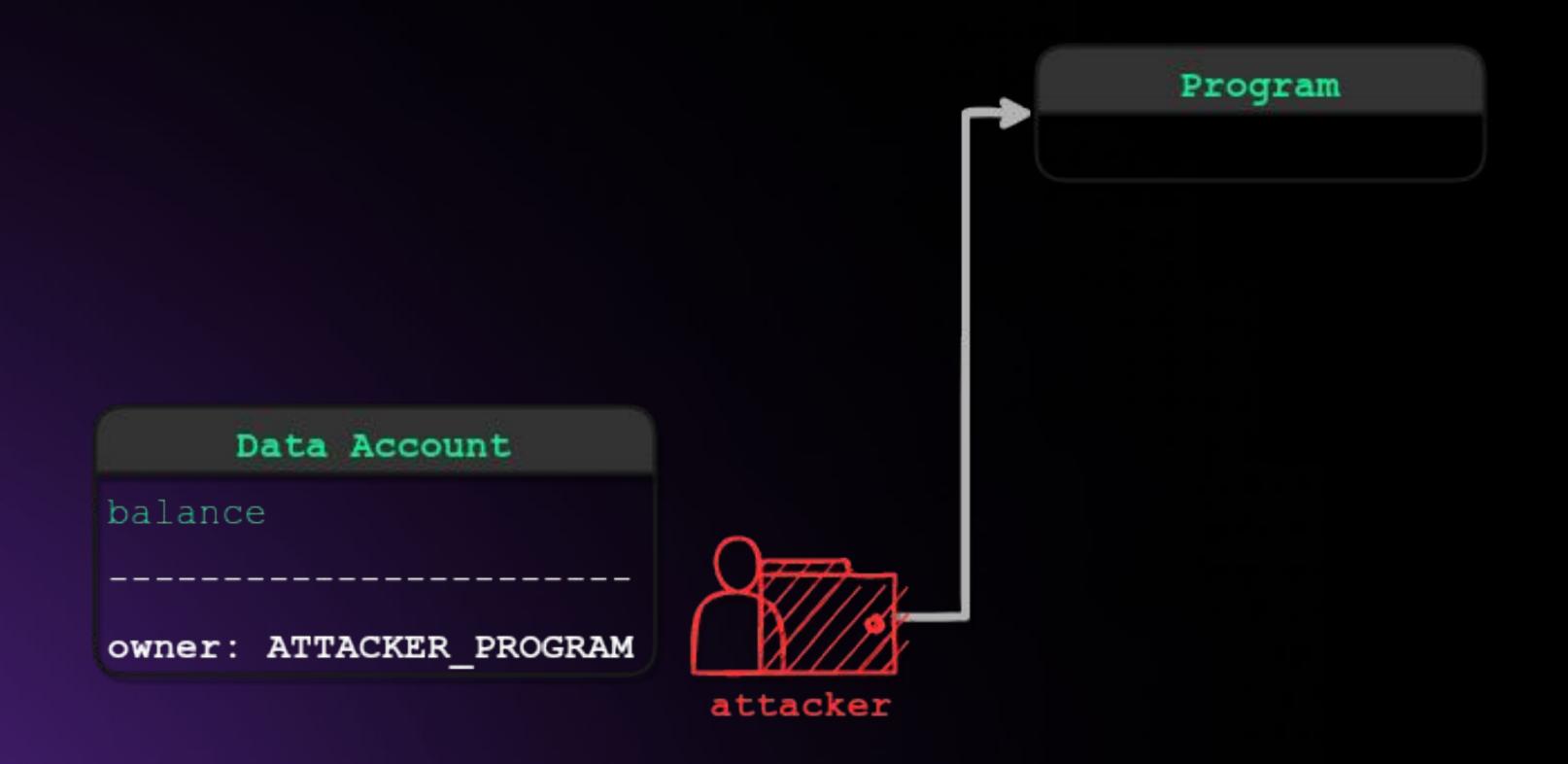
Owner checks

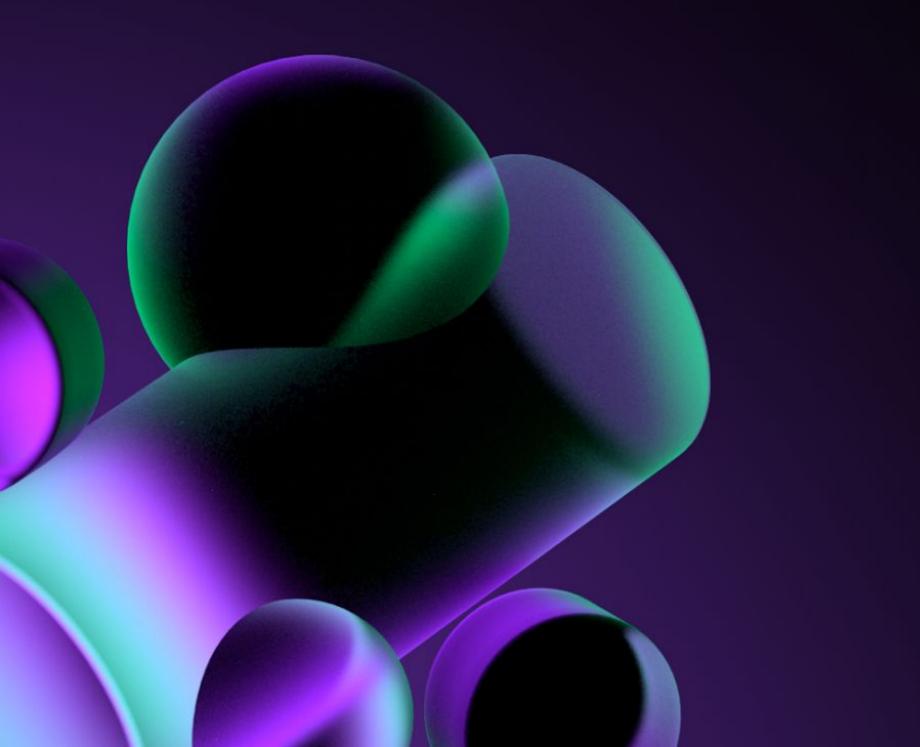
• Make sure the passed-in accounts are owned by the correct program. So you can trust the data in this account.



Owner checks: Attack

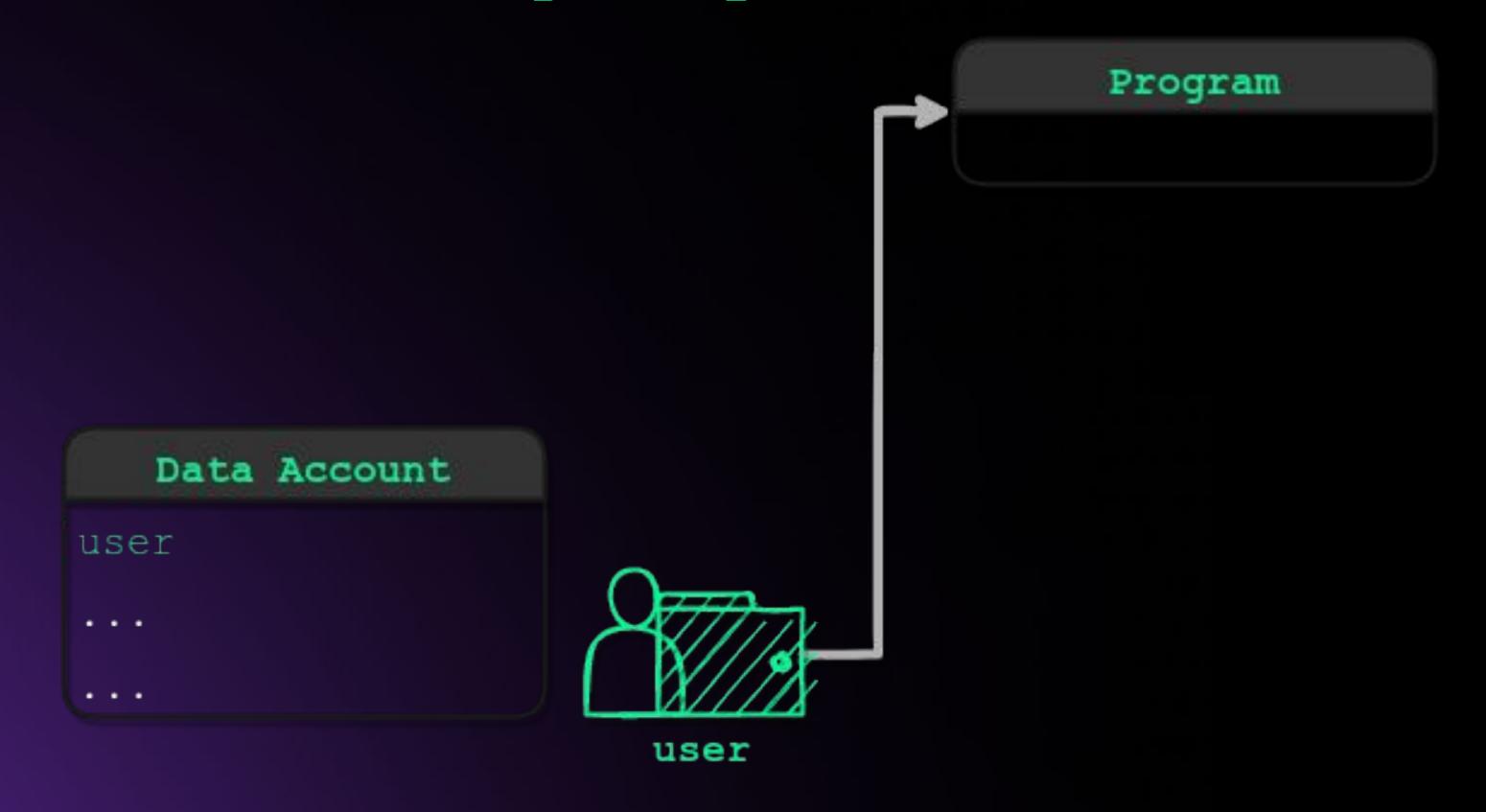
• If you don't check the owner...





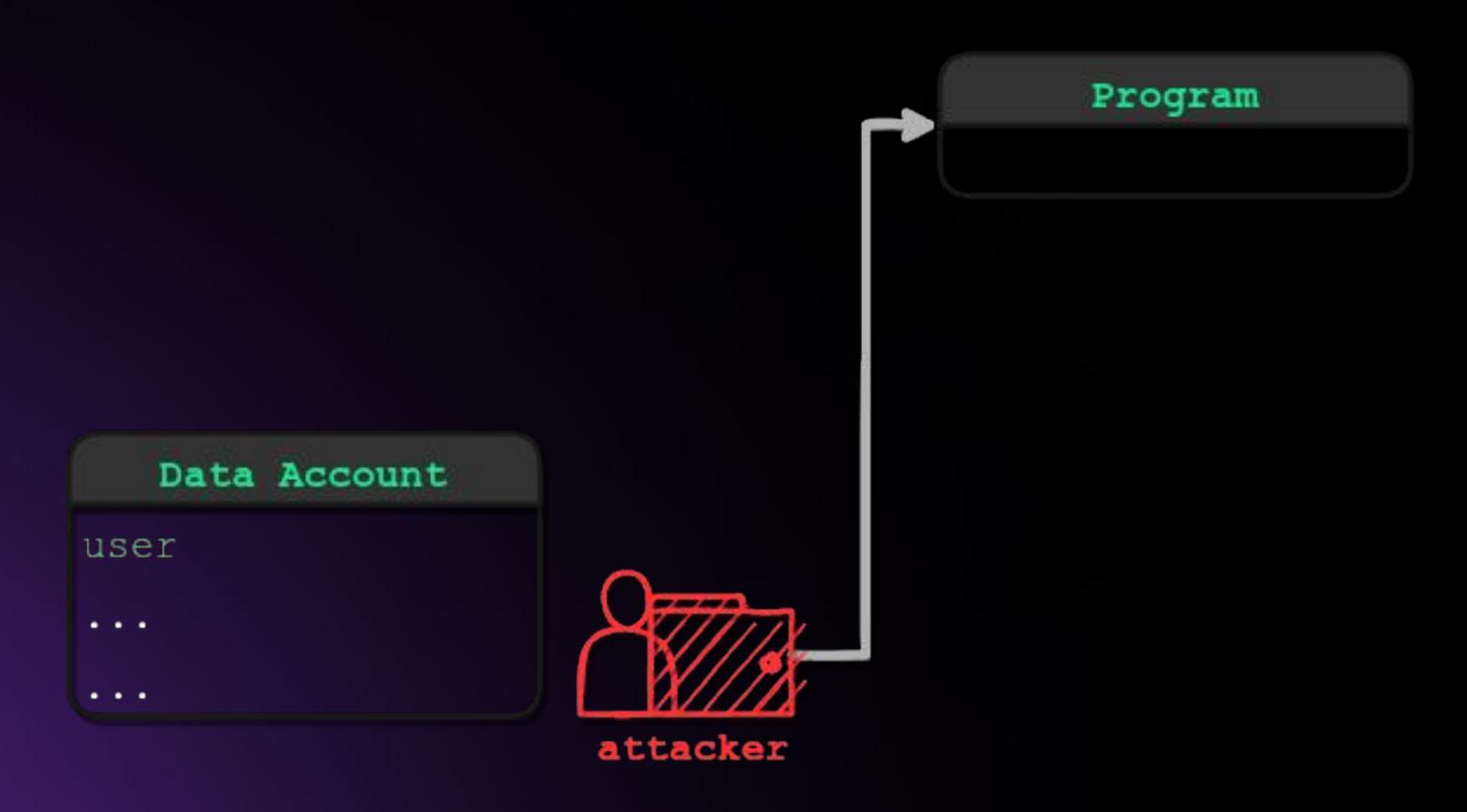
Account data matching

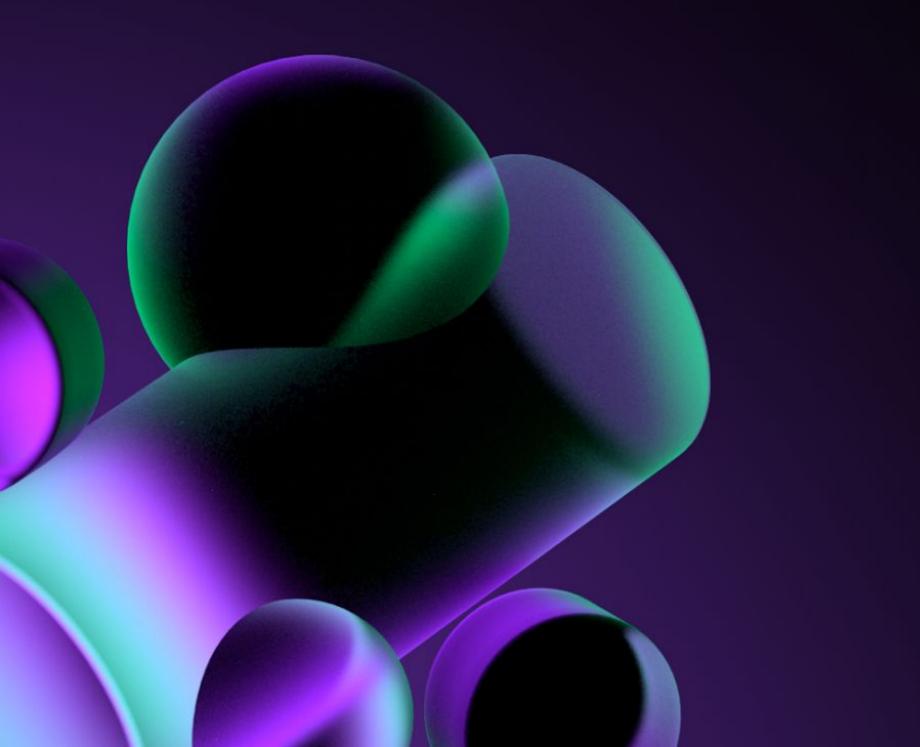
• Make sure that passed-in accounts contain valid data. For example check that a data stored in an account really belongs to the caller.



Account data matching: Attack

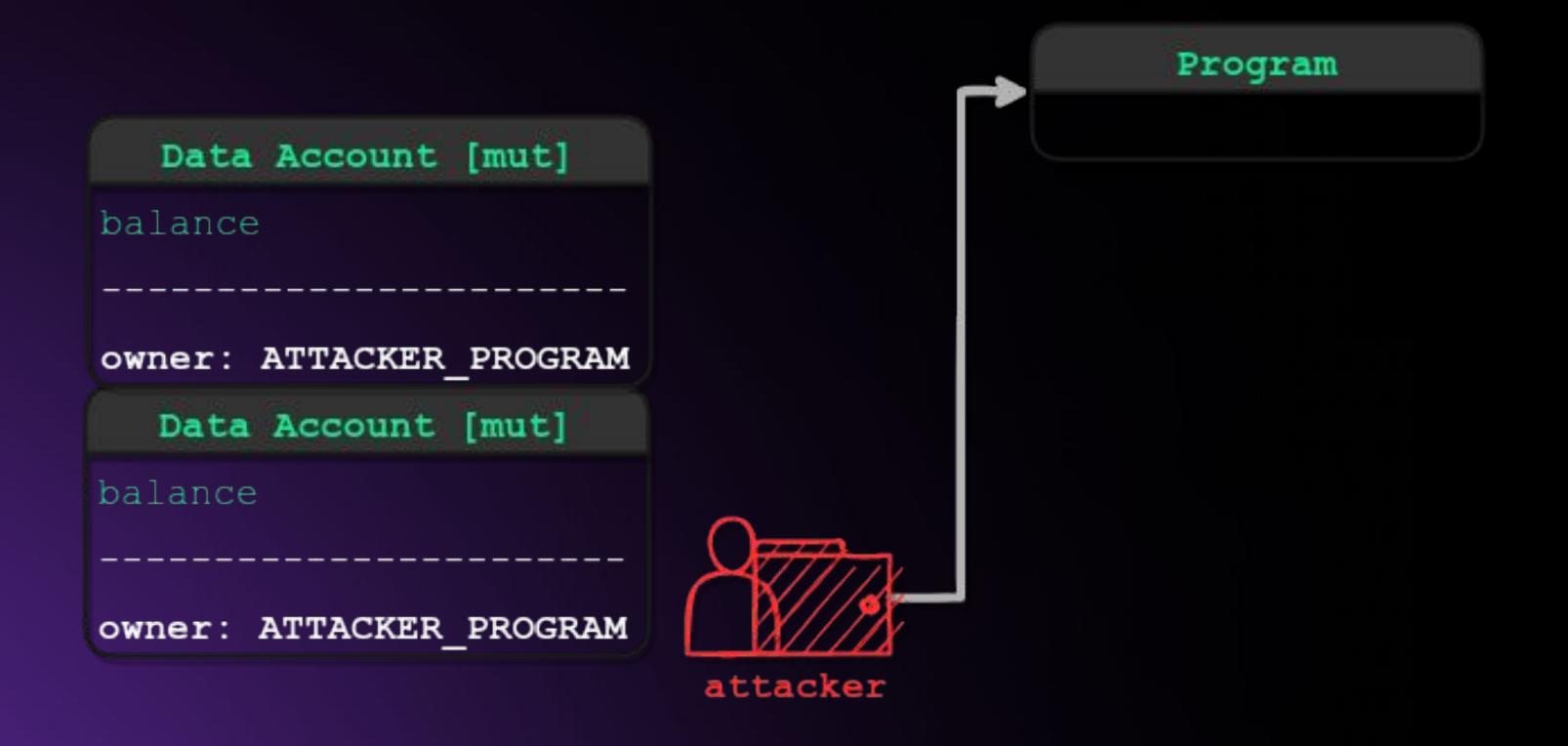
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Duplicate mutable accounts

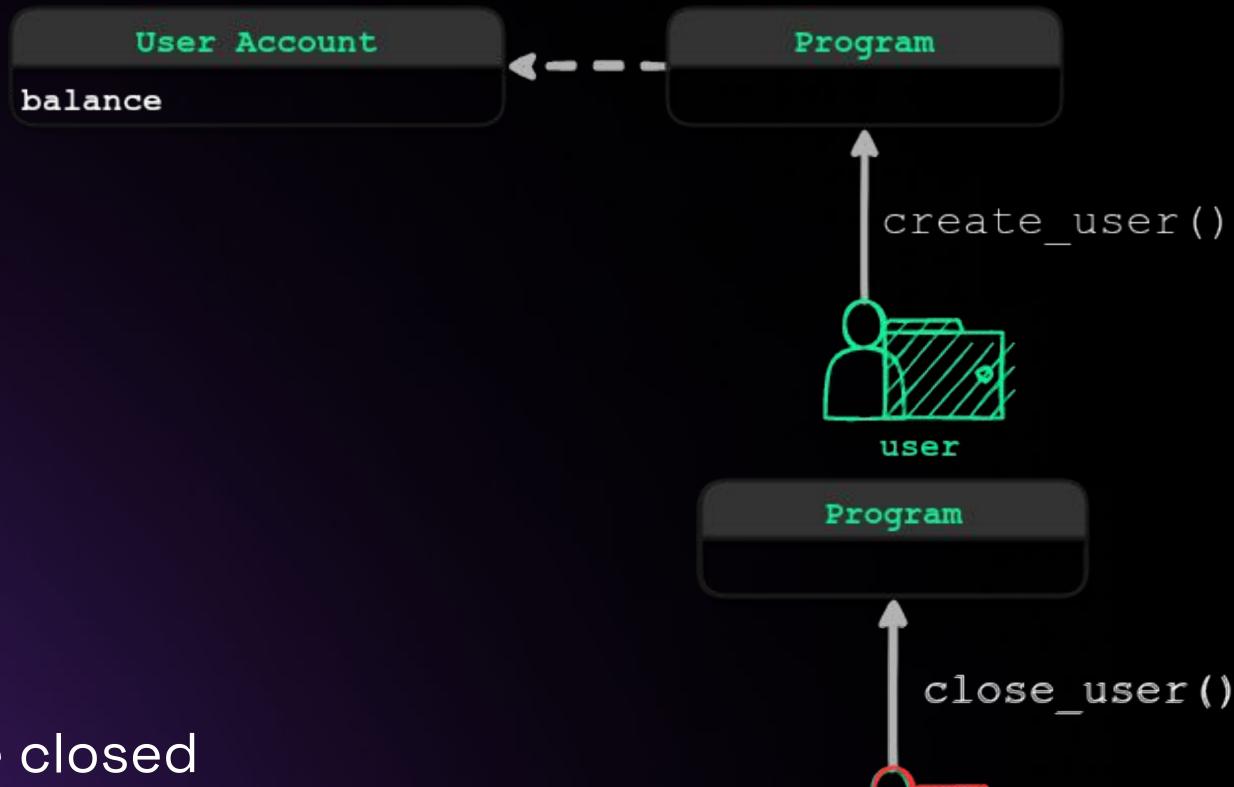
• If your program takes in two mutable accounts of the same type, make sure the attacker don't pass in the same account twice.



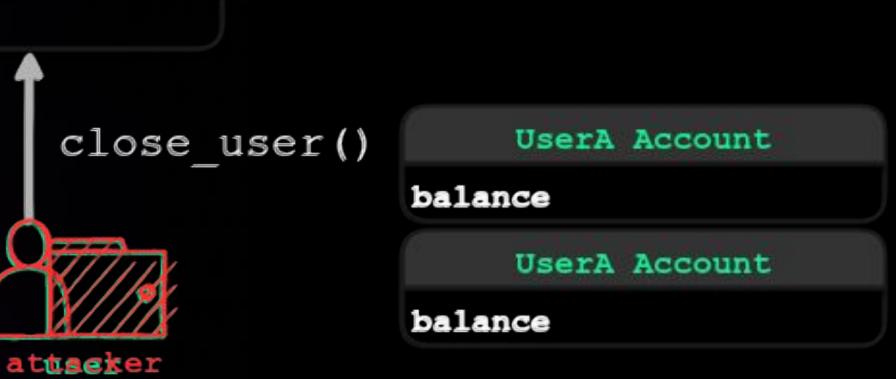
Duplicate mutable accounts: Attack

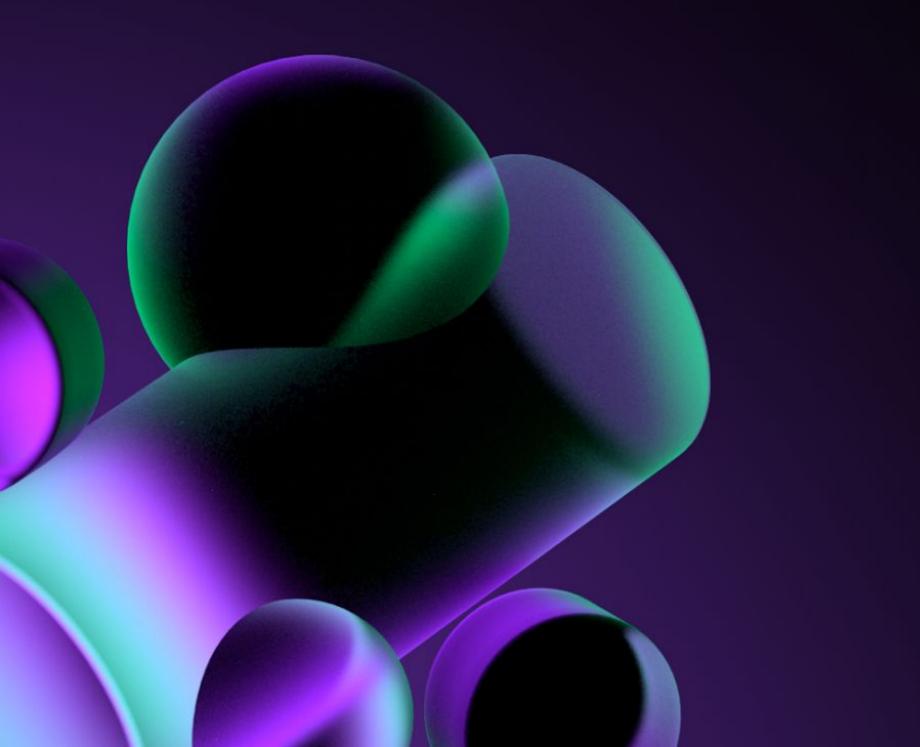
Instructions:

o createUser



- o closeUser
 - UserA will be closed
 - UserB will receive his/her balance





Type cosplay

• Make sure one account type (e.g. User) can't be confused for another account type (e.g. Metadata).

User

authority: Pubkey

vault: Pubkey

Metadata

sender: Pubkey

dst vault: Pubkey

Type cosplay: Attack

But...what if it's possible...

