Writing Smart Contracts
Assignment 01: Introduction

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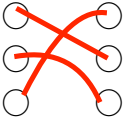
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Compulsory Exercise

Exercise 1. Write a short (≤ 2 sentences) definition of the following terms:

(a) Hash

(b) Address

(c) Block

(d) Consensus algorithm

Exercise 2. Which of the following cryptographic functions are required for what on the blockchain? Link with an arrow.

Hashing ◯ ╲ ╱ ◯ Ensure that transactions are authentic
Encryption ◯ ╳ ◯ Ensure that transactions cannot be reversed
Signing ◯ ╱ ╲ ◯ Ensure that transactions are secret

Exercise 3. Watch (or finish watching) the introduction to Algorand by Silvio Micali on Youtube: `https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NykZ-ZSKkxM`

Exercise 4. Watch (or finish watching) the calculation of the SHA-256 algorithm by hand: `https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y3dqhixzGVo`