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Smart Contract Security CTF

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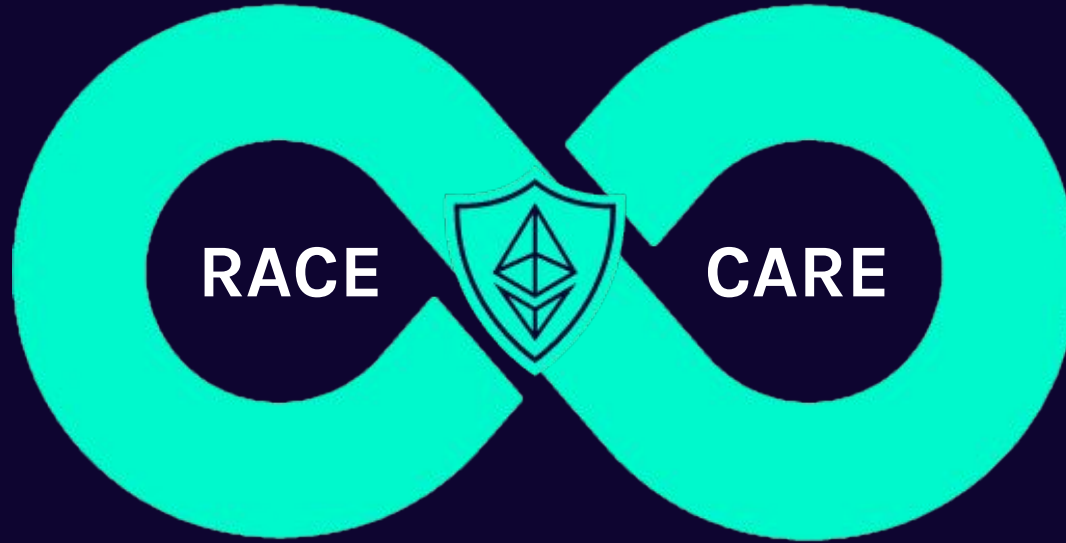
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# Scaling Security







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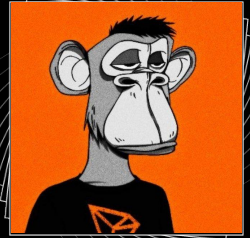
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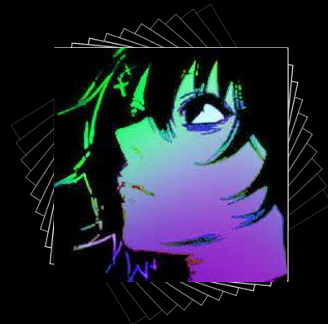


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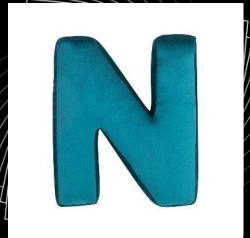
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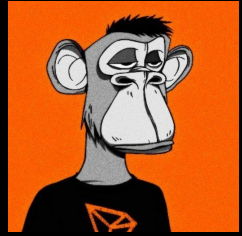


# CTF Instructions

- **8 Challenges Related to Common Vulnerabilities**
  - 3 easy; 2 medium; 3 advanced
- **3 days for Hacking**
- **30 minutes for explanation & solution**

# Important DeFi Concepts

- The ERC20 token standard
- Flash Loans
- CREATE, CREATE2 opcodes
- Automatic Market Makers (AMMs)
- Reentrancy Attacks
- Lending in DeFi
- Oracle manipulation and Collateral liquidation



# Challenge 1: Operation magic redemption ✨🔮

- ERC20 token that is burnable, based on a real case

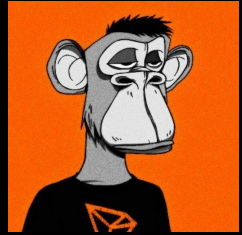
## Goal

- Recover 1000 mETH from exploiter and redeem mETH to ETH to avoid further losses

## Contracts

- MagicETH.sol

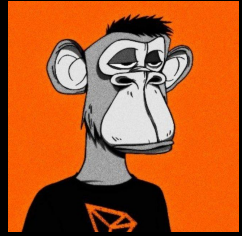




# Challenge 1: Operation magic redemption ✨🔮

## Concepts

- Consider this as challenge as a warm up
- ERC20 pretty similar to WETH
- Review the ERC20 logic and how is implemented



## Challenge 2: Mission Modern WETH; Rescue the Ether



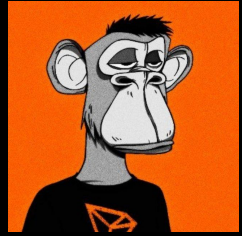
- At first sight is similar to challenge #1

### Goal

- The contract has locked 1000 ETH, you have to perform a white hat rescue.

### Contracts

- ModernETH.sol



## Challenge 2: Mission WETH10; Rescue the Ether



### Concepts

- Simple token, similar to WETH but with an extra function that let you redeem all your tokens.
- (Check for extra hints in readme, beware there were be spoilers)



## Challenge 3: The LendEx Destruction

- Contract code is not immutable

### Goal

- Change contract code for a deployed contract and steal tokens

### Contracts

- LendingHack.sol, LendExGovernor.sol
- Create2Deployer.sol, CreateDeployer.sol



## Challenge 4: Operation Rescue

POSI Token!  

- Tokens stuck at an unclaimed address
- Factory contract that deploys “smart wallets”

### Goal

- Access the unclaimed address and recover the tokens

### Contracts

- mySafeFactory.sol





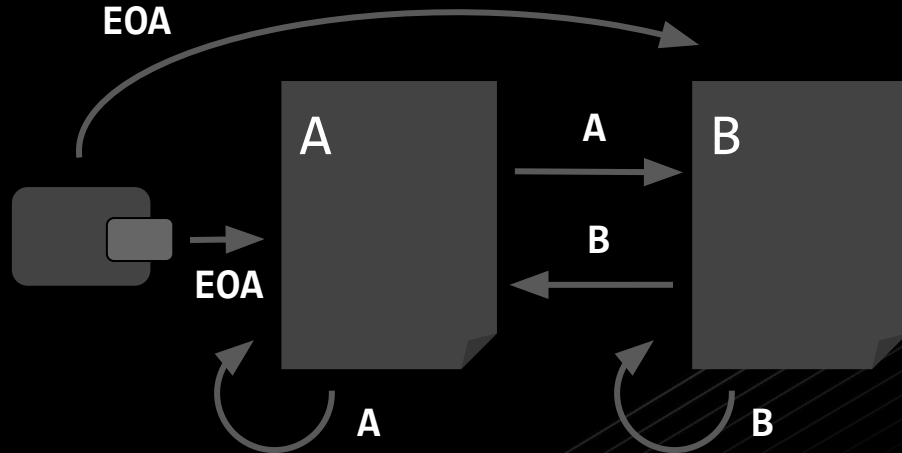
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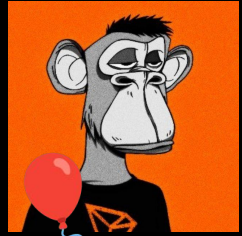
## POSI Token!

### Concepts

```
hash(0xff, msg.sender, salt, bytecode)
```

- CREATE2  
deterministic  
addresses
- msg.sender under  
different contexts





## Challenge 5: Balloon Vault

- Alice and Bob funds are in danger, rescue their funds before an evil actor steal from them.

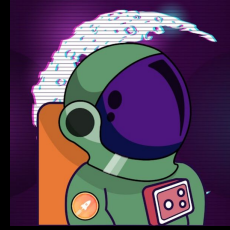
### Goal

- You have to drain Alice and Bob wallets

### Contracts

- Vault.sol
- WETH.sol (WETH9 similar implementation)

## Challenge 6: Safe Yield?



- DeFi protocol
- Users can get flash loans and swap on the dex
- Depositors earn fees

### Goal

- Drain at least 100 ETH from the pool

### Contracts

- YieldPool.sol



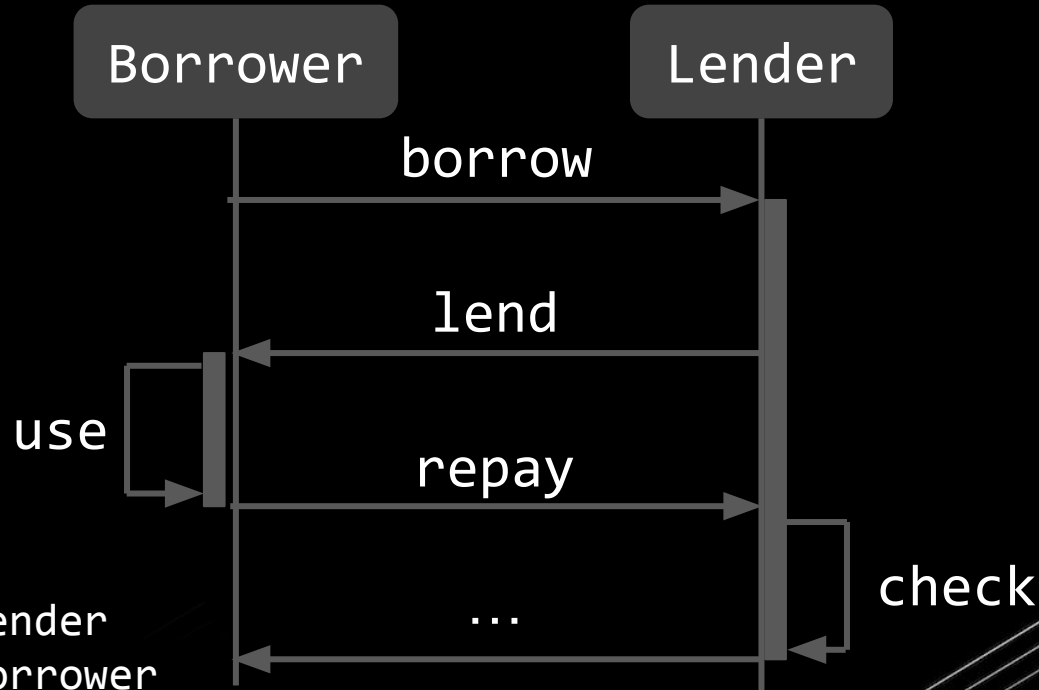
## Challenge 6: Safe Yield?



### Concepts

- Flash Loans

- [ERC-3156](#)
  - IERC3156FlashLender
  - IERC3156FlashBorrower





## Challenge 7: Crystal DAO

- A factory deploys ERC1167 clones of a DAO treasury
- Admin can execute arbitrary logic with a signature
- Admin is set on deploy

### Goal

- Recover the tokens stuck at the treasury

### Contracts

- crystalDAO.sol

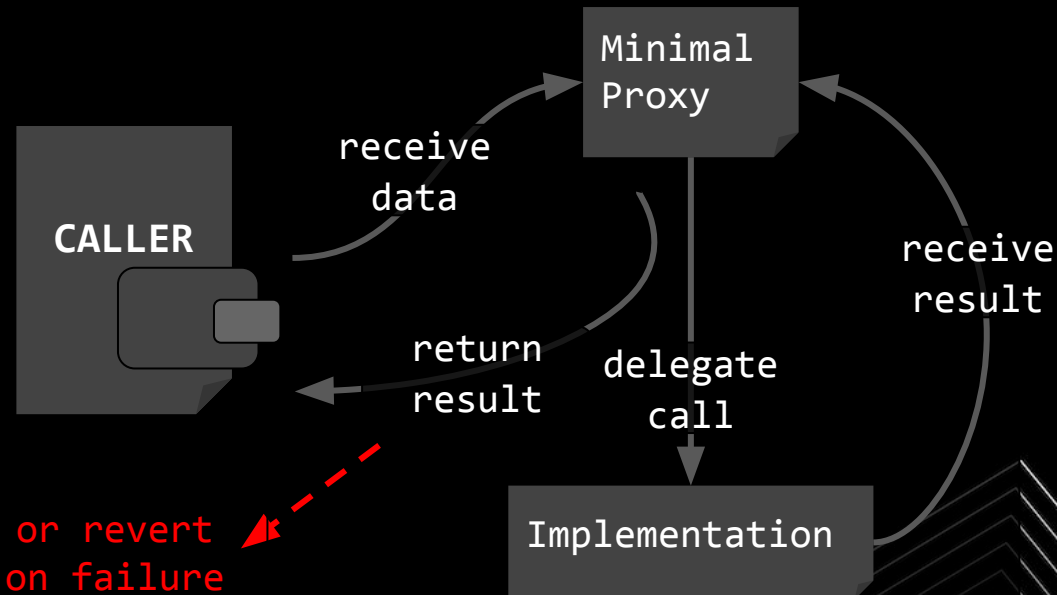


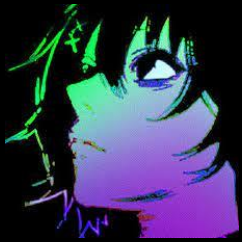
## Challenge 7: Crystal DAO



### Concepts

- ERC1176 Minimal Proxy
- EIP712 Signatures
- ecrecover()





## Challenge 8: Liquidatooor 🏹🏹🏹

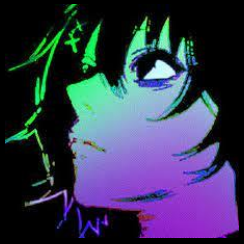
- Lending/Borrowing protocol (Deposit collateral, borrow debt)
- Health Factor and Liquidations
- Over / Under collateralized positions

### Goal

- Liquidate the user and end with at least 200 TOKENs!

### Contracts

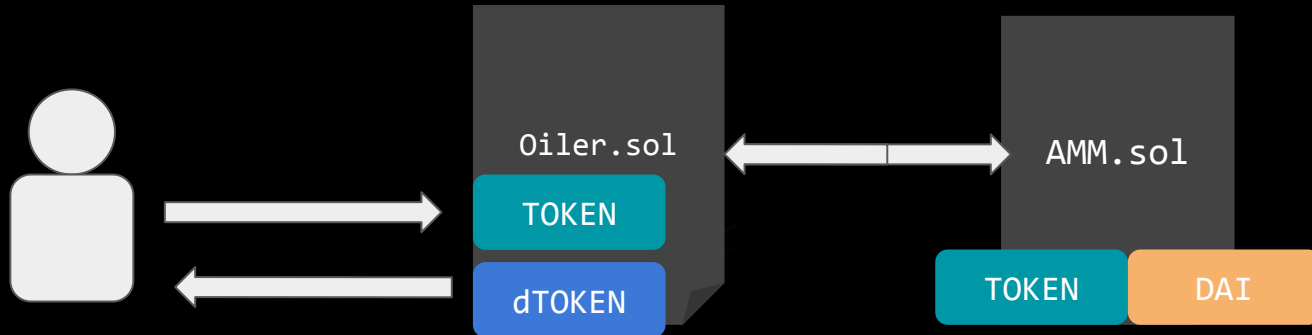
- AMM.sol
- Oiler.sol



## Challenge 8: Liquidatooor 🏹🏹🏹

### Concepts

- Oracles
- General  $k = x * y$  understanding
- Lending/Borrowing risk parameters



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