

## Blockchain Experiment 4

**AIM:** Hands on Solidity Programming Assignments for creating Smart Contracts

### THEORY:

#### **Q1: Primitive Data Types, Variables, Functions - pure, view**

In Solidity, **primitive data types** form the foundation of smart contract development. Commonly used types include:

- uint / int: unsigned and signed integers of different sizes (e.g., uint256, int128).
- bool: represents logical values (true or false).
- address: holds a 20-byte Ethereum account address, often used for storing user accounts or contract addresses.
- bytes / string: store binary data or textual data.

#### **Variables in Solidity can be**

- state variables: stored on the blockchain permanently
- local variables: temporary, created during function execution
- global variables: special predefined variables such as msg.sender, msg.value, and block.timestamp

#### **Functions allow execution of contract logic. Special types of functions include:**

- pure: cannot read or modify blockchain state; they work only with inputs and internal computations.
- view: can read state variables but cannot alter them. This classification helps optimize gas usage and enforces function integrity.

#### **Q2: Inputs and Outputs to Functions**

Functions in Solidity can accept input arguments and return one or more output values. Inputs enable users or other contracts to pass data into the contract, while outputs make it possible to

return results after computation.

For example, a function can accept an amount in Ether and return whether the transfer was successful. Solidity also allows named return variables, which improve readability and debugging.

### **Q3: Visibility, Modifiers and Constructors**

Function Visibility defines who can access a function:

- public: available both inside and outside the contract.
- private: only accessible within the same contract.
- internal: accessible within the contract and its child contracts.
- external: can be called only by external accounts or other contracts.

**Modifiers** are reusable code blocks that change the behavior of functions. They are often used for access control, such as restricting sensitive functions to the contract owner (onlyOwner).

**Constructors** are special functions executed only once during contract deployment. They initialize important values, such as setting the deploying account as the owner of the contract.

### **Q4: Control Flow : if-else, loops**

Control flow in Solidity is similar to traditional programming languages:

- if-else allows conditional decision-making in contract logic, e.g., checking if a balance is sufficient before transferring funds.
- Loops (for, while, do-while) enable repeated execution of code. For example, iterating through an array of users. However, loops must be used carefully, as excessive iterations increase gas consumption, potentially making the contract expensive to execute.

## **Q5: Data Structures : Arrays, Mappings, structs, enums**

- Arrays: Can be fixed or dynamic and are used to store ordered lists of elements.

Example: an array of addresses for registered users.

- Mappings: Key-value pairs that allow quick lookups.

Example: mapping(address => uint) for storing balances.

Unlike arrays, mappings do not support iteration.

- Structs: Allow grouping of related properties into a single data type.

Example: struct Player {string name; uint score;}

- Enums: Used to define a set of predefined constants, making code more readable.

Example: enum Status { Pending, Active, Closed }.

## **Q6: Data Locations**

Solidity uses three primary data locations for storing variables:

- storage: Data stored permanently on the blockchain. Examples: state variables.
- memory: Temporary data storage that exists only while a function is executing. Used for local variables and function inputs.
- calldata: A non-modifiable and non-persistent location used for external function parameters. It is gas-efficient compared to memory.

Understanding data locations is essential, as they directly impact gas costs and performance.

## **Q7: Transactions : Ether and wei, Gas and Gas Price, Sending Transactions**

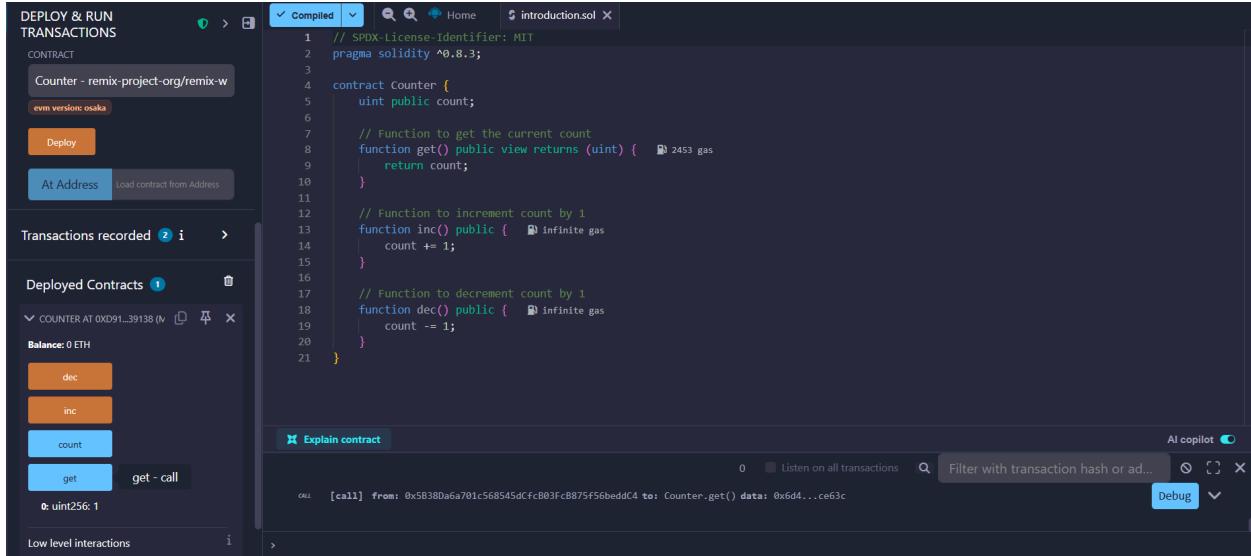
- Ether and Wei: Ether is the main currency in Ethereum. All values are measured in Wei, the smallest unit (1 Ether =  $10^{18}$  Wei). This ensures high precision in financial transactions.
- Gas and Gas Price: Every transaction consumes gas, which represents computational effort. The gas price determines how much Ether is paid per unit of gas. A higher gas price incentivizes miners to prioritize the transaction.
- Sending Transactions: Transactions are used for transferring Ether or interacting with

contracts. Functions like transfer() and send() are commonly used, while call() provides more flexibility. Each transaction requires gas, making efficiency in contract design very important.

## TASKS PERFORMED:

### Tutorial 1: Introduction

#### a) get



The screenshot shows the Remix IDE interface. The top navigation bar includes 'DEPLOY & RUN TRANSACTIONS', 'Contract', 'Deploy', 'At Address', and tabs for 'Compiled' (selected), 'Home', and 'introduction.sol'. The code editor displays the Solidity code for the Counter contract:

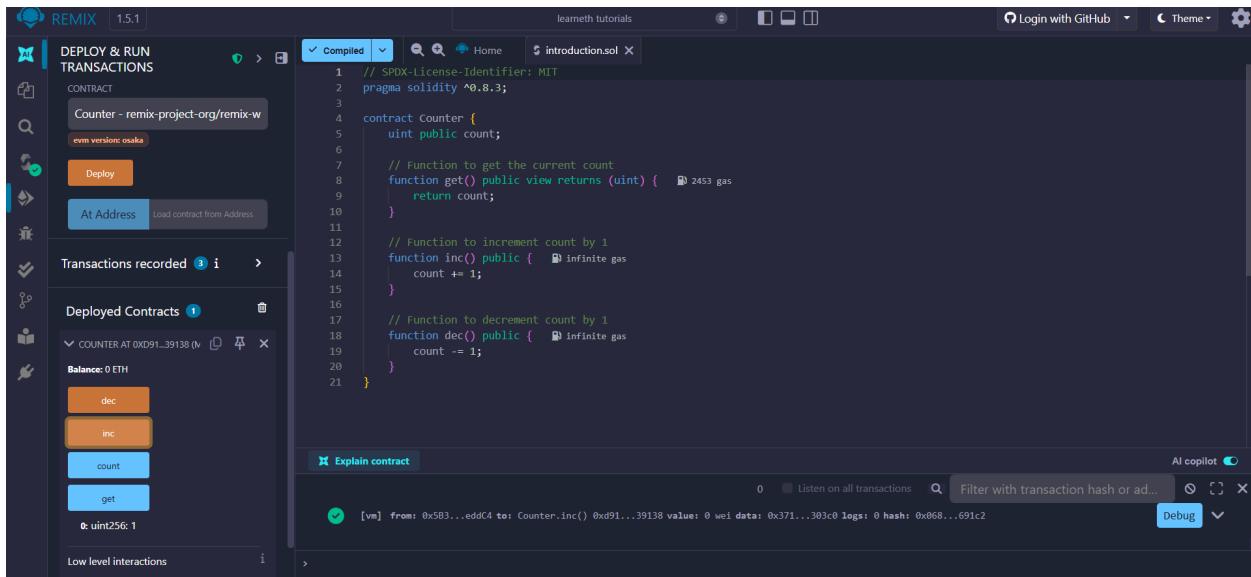
```

1 // SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
2 pragma solidity ^0.8.3;
3
4 contract Counter {
5     uint public count;
6
7     // Function to get the current count
8     function get() public view returns (uint) {
9         return count;
10    }
11
12    // Function to increment count by 1
13    function inc() public {
14        count += 1;
15    }
16
17    // Function to decrement count by 1
18    function dec() public {
19        count -= 1;
20    }
21 }

```

The 'Deployed Contracts' section shows a deployed contract named 'COUNTER AT 0xD91...39138' with a balance of 0 ETH. It lists four functions: 'dec', 'inc', 'count', and 'get'. The 'get' button is highlighted in blue. Below the contract list, there's a section for 'Low level interactions'.

#### b) inc



This screenshot shows the Remix IDE after a transaction has been executed. The interface is identical to the previous one, with the 'Deployed Contracts' section now showing a balance of 0 ETH. The 'inc' button is highlighted in orange. The transaction history at the bottom of the interface shows a successful call to the 'inc' function from a specific address.

## c)dec

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
pragma solidity ^0.8.3;

contract Counter {
    uint public count;

    // Function to get the current count
    function get() public view returns (uint) {
        return count;
    }

    // Function to increment count by 1
    function inc() public {
        count += 1;
    }

    // Function to decrement count by 1
    function dec() public {
        count -= 1;
    }
}
```

## Tutorial 2:Basic Syntax

We also define the *visibility* of the variable, which specifies from where you can access it. In this case, it's a `public` variable that you can access from inside and outside the contract.

Don't worry if you didn't understand some concepts like *visibility*, *data types*, or *state variables*. We will look into them in the following sections.

To help you understand the code, we will link in all following sections to video tutorials from the [creator](#) of the Solidity by Example contracts.

Watch a video tutorial on [Basic Syntax](#).

### ★ Assignment

1. Delete the HelloWorld contract and its content.
2. Create a new contract named "MyContract".
3. The contract should have a public state variable called "name" of the type string.
4. Assign the value "Alice" to your new variable.

[Check Answer](#) [Show answer](#)

Next

Well done! No errors.

## Tutorial 3: Primitive Data Types

The screenshot shows the REMIX IDE interface with the '3. Primitive Data Types' tutorial selected. The left sidebar displays the 'LEARNETH' syllabus and a 'Tutorials list'. The main content area shows the Solidity code for a contract named 'Primitives' with various primitive data type declarations. Below the code, an assignment section lists three tasks related to public variables and their types. A tip at the bottom suggests looking at other addresses in the contract or the internet for Ethereum addresses. At the bottom, there are 'Check Answer', 'Show answer', and 'Next' buttons, followed by a success message: 'Well done! No errors.'

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
pragma solidity ^0.8.3;

contract Primitives {
    bool public boo = true;

    uint8 public u8 = 1;
    uint public u256 = 456;
    int public i = 123;

    int8 public i8 = -1;
    int public i256 = 456;
    int public i = -123;

    address public addr = 0xCA35b7d915458EF540aDe6068dFe2F44E8fa733c;

    // 1. New public address (different from addr)
    address public newAddr = 0x0000000000000000000000000000000000000000dEa0;

    // 2. Public negative number (small type chosen)
    int8 public neg = -5;

    // 3. Smallest uint size and smallest uint value
    uint8 public newU = 0;
}
```

## Tutorial 4: Variables

The screenshot shows the REMIX IDE interface with the '4. Variables' tutorial selected. The left sidebar displays the 'LEARNETH' syllabus and a 'Tutorials list'. The main content area shows the Solidity code for a contract named 'Variables' that interacts with global variables like 'block.timestamp' and 'msg.sender'. An assignment section lists two tasks involving these variables. A tip at the bottom suggests looking into the global variables section of the Solidity documentation. At the bottom, there are 'Check Answer', 'Show answer', and 'Next' buttons, followed by a success message: 'Well done! No errors.'

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
pragma solidity ^0.8.3;

contract Variables {
    // State variables are stored on the blockchain.
    string public text = "Hello";
    uint public num = 123;

    // New public state variable
    uint public blockNumber;

    function doSomething() public {
        // Local variables are not saved to the blockchain.
        uint i = 456;

        // Global variables
        uint timestamp = block.timestamp;
        address sender = msg.sender;

        // Assign current block number to state variable
        blockNumber = block.number;
    }
}
```

## Tutorial 5: Functions - Reading and Writing to a State Variable

```
2 pragma solidity ^0.8.3;
3
4 contract SimpleStorage {
5     // State variable to store a number
6     uint public num;
7
8     // New public bool variable initialized to true
9     bool public b = true;
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11    // You need to send a transaction to write to a state variable.
12    function set(uint _num) public { 22536 gas
13        num = _num;
14    }
15
16    // You can read from a state variable without sending a transaction.
17    function get() public view returns (uint) { 2475 gas
18        return num;
19    }
20
21    // Function to return value of b
22    function get_b() public view returns (bool) { 2539 gas
23        return b;
24    }
25 }
```

**Assignment**

- Create a public state variable called `b` that is of type `bool` and initialize it to `true`.
- Create a public function called `get_b` that returns the value of `b`.

**Check Answer** **Show answer** **Next**

Well done! No errors.

## Tutorial 6: Functions - View and Pure

```
1 // SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
2 pragma solidity ^0.8.3;
3
4 contract ViewAndPure {
5     uint public x = 1;
6
7     // Promise not to modify the state.
8     function addToX(uint y) public view returns (uint) { infinite gas
9         return x + y;
10    }
11
12    // Promise not to modify or read from the state.
13    function add(uint i, uint j) public pure returns (uint) { infinite gas
14        return i + j;
15    }
16
17    // Function that updates the state variable x
18    function addToX2(uint y) public { infinite gas
19        x = x + y;
20    }
21 }
```

**Assignment**

Create a function called `addToX` that takes the parameter `y` and updates the state variable `x` with the sum of the parameter and the state variable `x`.

**Check Answer** **Show answer** **Next**

Well done! No errors.

## Tutorial 7:Modifiers and Constructors

The screenshot shows the REMIX IDE interface with the following details:

- Left Panel (LEARNETH):** Displays the "Tutorials list" and "Syllabus".
- Middle Panel:** Shows the title "5.3 Functions - Modifiers and Constructors" and a brief description about constructors.
- Code Editor:** Contains Solidity code for a contract with modifiers and a constructor. The code includes annotations for modifiers like `onlyOwner` and `noReentrancy`.
- Bottom Panel:** Includes a "Check Answer" button, a "Show answer" button, and a message "Well done! No errors."
- Right Panel (Explains contract):** Shows transaction details and an AI copilot feature.

## Tutorial 8:Inputs and Outputs

The screenshot shows the REMIX IDE interface with the following details:

- Left Panel (LEARNETH):** Displays the "Tutorials list" and "Syllabus".
- Middle Panel:** Shows the title "5.4 Functions - Inputs and Outputs" and a note about restrictions on input and output parameters.
- Code Editor:** Contains Solidity code demonstrating various ways to handle arrays as inputs and outputs.
- Bottom Panel:** Includes a "Check Answer" button, a "Show answer" button, and a message "Well done! No errors."
- Right Panel (Explains contract):** Shows transaction details and an AI copilot feature.

## Tutorial 9:Visibility

In this example, we have two contracts, the `Base` contract (line 4) and the `Child` contract (line 55) which inherits the functions and state variables from the `Base` contract.

When you uncomment the `testPrivateFunc` (lines 58-60) you get an error because the child contract doesn't have access to the private function `privateFunc` from the `Base` contract.

If you compile and deploy the two contracts, you will not be able to call the functions `privateFunc` and `internalFunc` directly. You will only be able to call them via `testPrivateFunc` and `testInternalFunc`.

Watch a video tutorial on Visibility.

**Assignment**

Create a new function in the `Child` contract called `testInternalVar` that returns the values of all state variables from the `Base` contract that are possible to return.

**Check Answer**   **Show answer**

Well done! No errors.

Compiled code:

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```

// State variables  
string private privateVar = "my private variable";  
string internal internalVar = "my internal variable";  
string public publicVar = "my public variable";  
}  
  
contract Child is Base {  
  
 function testInternalFunc() public pure override returns (string memory) {  
 return internalVar();  
 }  
  
 // New function  
 function testInternalVar() public view returns (string memory, string memory) {  
 return (internalVar, publicVar);  
 }  
}

Explain contract

[vm] from: 0x5B3...eddC4 to: Counter.dec() 0xd91...39138 value: 0 wei data: 0xb3b...cfa82 logs: 0  
hash: 0xfc4...ef657

## Tutorial 10: Control Flow-If/Else

With the `else if` statement we can combine several conditions.

If the first condition (line 6) of the `foo` function is not met, but the condition of the `else if` statement (line 8) becomes true, the function returns `1`.

Watch a video tutorial on the If/Else statement.

**Assignment**

Create a new function called `evenCheck` in the `ifElse` contract:

- That takes in a `uint` as an argument.
- The function returns `true` if the argument is even, and `false` if the argument is odd.
- Use a ternary operator to return the result of the `evenCheck` function.

Tip: The modulo (%) operator produces the remainder of an integer division.

**Check Answer**   **Show answer**

Well done! No errors.

Compiled code:

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```

// SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT  
pragma solidity ^0.8.3;  
  
contract IfElse {  
 function foo(uint x) public pure returns (uint) {  
 if (x < 10) {  
 return 0;  
 } else if (x < 20) {  
 return 1;  
 } else {  
 return 2;  
 }  
 }  
  
 function ternary(uint \_x) public pure returns (uint) {  
 return \_x % 10 ? 1 : 2;  
 }  
  
 // New function  
 function evenCheck(uint \_x) public pure returns (bool) {  
 return \_x % 2 == 0 ? true : false;  
 }  
}

Explain contract

[vm] from: 0x5B3...eddC4 to: Counter.dec() 0xd91...39138 value: 0 wei data: 0xb3b...cfa82 logs: 0  
hash: 0xfc4...ef657

## Tutorial 11:Loops

The `continue` statement is used to skip the remaining code block and start the next iteration of the loop. In this contract, the `continue` statement (line 10) will prevent the second if statement (line 12) from being executed.

**break**

The `break` statement is used to exit a loop. In this contract, the `break` statement (line 14) will cause the for loop to be terminated after the sixth iteration.

Watch a video tutorial on [Loop statements](#).

**Assignment**

1. Create a public `uint` state variable called `count` in the `Loop` contract.
2. At the end of the for loop, increment the `count` variable by 1.
3. Try to get the `count` variable to be equal to 9, but make sure you don't edit the `break` statement.

**Check Answer**   **Show answer**

Well done! No errors.

## Tutorial 12:Data Structures:Arrays

from an array (line 42). When we remove an element with the `delete` operator all other elements stay the same, which means that the length of the array will stay the same. This will create a gap in our array. If the order of the array is not important, then we can move the last element of the array to the place of the deleted element (line 46), or use a mapping. A mapping might be a better choice if we plan to remove elements in our data structure.

**Array length**

Using the `length` member, we can read the number of elements that are stored in an array (line 35).

Watch a video tutorial on [Arrays](#).

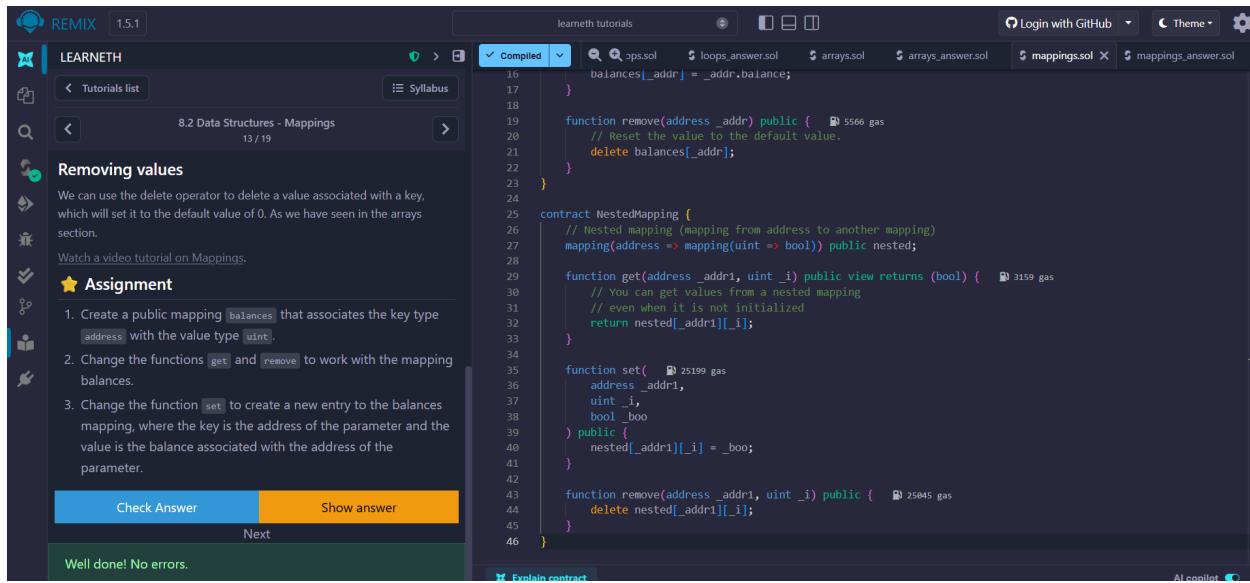
**Assignment**

1. Initialize a public fixed-sized array called `arr3` with the values 0, 1, 2. Make the size as small as possible.
2. Change the `getArr()` function to return the value of `arr3`.

**Check Answer**   **Show answer**

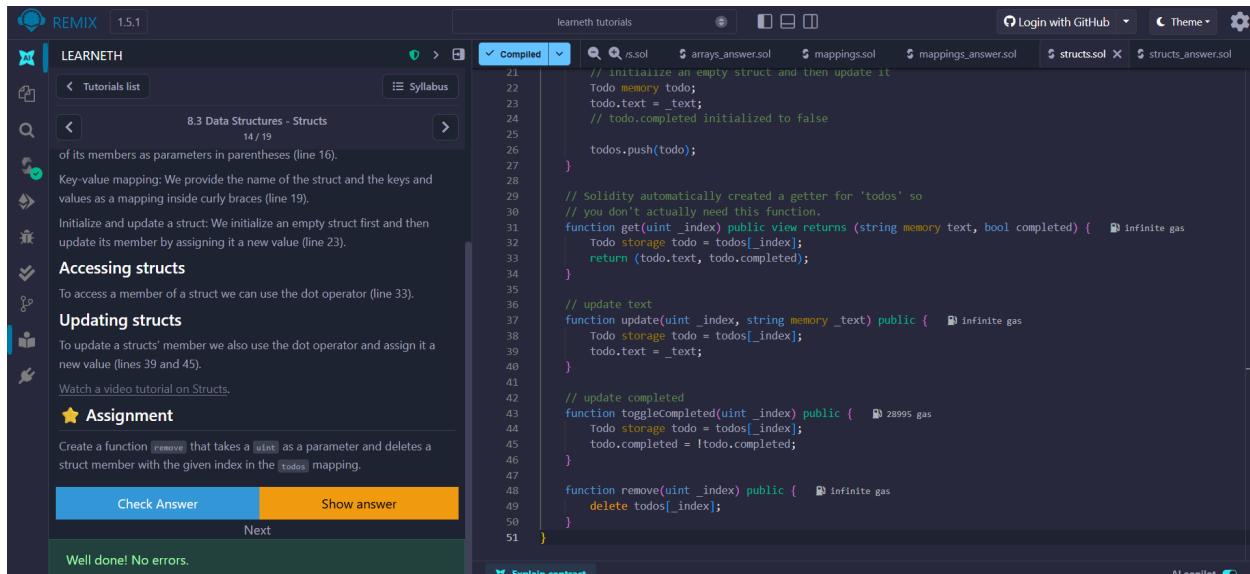
Well done! No errors.

## Tutorial 13:Data Structures:Mappings



```
16     balances[_addr] = _addr.balance;
17 }
18
19 function remove(address _addr) public {
20     // Reset the value to the default value.
21     delete balances[_addr];
22 }
23
24 contract NestedMapping {
25     // Nested mapping (mapping from address to another mapping)
26     mapping(address => mapping(uint => bool)) public nested;
27
28     function get(address _addr, uint _i) public view returns (bool) {
29         // You can get values from a nested mapping
30         // even when it is not initialized
31         return nested[_addr][_i];
32     }
33
34     function set(
35         address _addr,
36         uint _i,
37         bool _boo
38     ) public {
39         nested[_addr][_i] = _boo;
40     }
41
42     function remove(address _addr, uint _i) public {
43         delete nested[_addr][_i];
44     }
45 }
46 }
```

## Tutorial 14:Data Structures:Structs



```
21 // initialize an empty struct and then update it
22 Todo memory todo;
23 todo.text = _text;
24 // todo.completed initialized to false
25
26 todos.push(todo);
27
28 // Solidity automatically created a getter for 'todos' so
29 // you don't actually need this function.
30 function get(uint _index) public view returns (string memory text, bool completed) {
31     Todo storage todo = todos[_index];
32     return (todo.text, todo.completed);
33 }
34
35 // update text
36 function update(uint _index, string memory _text) public {
37     Todo storage todo = todos[_index];
38     todo.text = _text;
39 }
40
41 // update completed
42 function toggleCompleted(uint _index) public {
43     Todo storage todo = todos[_index];
44     todo.completed = !todo.completed;
45 }
46
47 function remove(uint _index) public {
48     delete todos[_index];
49 }
50 }
```

## Tutorial 15: Data Structures:Enums

The screenshot shows the REMIX IDE interface. On the left, the sidebar displays the 'LEARNETH' course and the current tutorial '8.4 Data Structures - Enums'. The main area shows a Solidity code editor with the following content:

```
// Default value is the first element listed in
// definition of the type, in this case "Pending"
Status public status;
Size public sizes;

function get() public view returns (Status) {
    return status;
}

function getSize() public view returns (Size) {
    return sizes;
}

// update status by passing uint into input
function set(Status _status) public {
    status = _status;
}

// You can update to a specific enum like this
function cancel() public {
    status = Status.Canceled;
}

// delete resets the enum to its first value, 0
function reset() public {
    delete status;
}
```

Below the code editor, there are buttons for 'Check Answer', 'Show answer', and 'Next'. A message at the bottom says 'Well done! No errors.'

## Tutorial 16:Data Locations

The screenshot shows the REMIX IDE interface. On the left, the sidebar displays the 'LEARNETH' course and the current tutorial '9. Data Locations'. The main area shows a Solidity code editor with the following content:

```
myStruct.foo = 4;
// create a struct in memory
MyStruct memory myMemStruct = MyStruct(0);
MyStruct memory myMemStruct2 = myMemStruct;
myMemStruct2.foo = 1;

MyStruct memory myMemStruct3 = myStruct;
myMemStruct3.foo = 3;
return (myStruct, myMemStruct2, myMemStruct3);

function f(
    uint[] storage _arr,
    mapping(uint => address) storage _map,
    MyStruct storage _myStruct
) internal {
    // do something with storage variables
}

// You can return memory variables
function g(uint[] memory _arr) public returns (uint[] memory) {
    // do something with memory array
    _arr[0] = 1;
}

function h(uint[] calldata _arr) external {
    // do something with calldata array
    // _arr[0] = 1;
}
```

Below the code editor, there are buttons for 'Check Answer', 'Show answer', and 'Next'. A message at the bottom says 'Well done! No errors.'

## Tutorial 17:Transactions-Ether and Wei

The screenshot shows the REMIX IDE interface with the title "Tutorial 17: Transactions - Ether and Wei". The left sidebar displays the "Tutorials list" with "10.1 Transactions - Ether and Wei" selected. The main content area contains text about Wei, Ether, and Gwei, followed by an assignment section. The assignment asks the user to create a contract with a public uint variable "oneWei" and a public bool variable "isOneWei". A tip suggests looking at the code for "gwei" and "ether". Below the assignment are "Check Answer", "Show answer", and "Next" buttons. The right side of the interface shows the Solidity code for the "EtherUnits" contract:

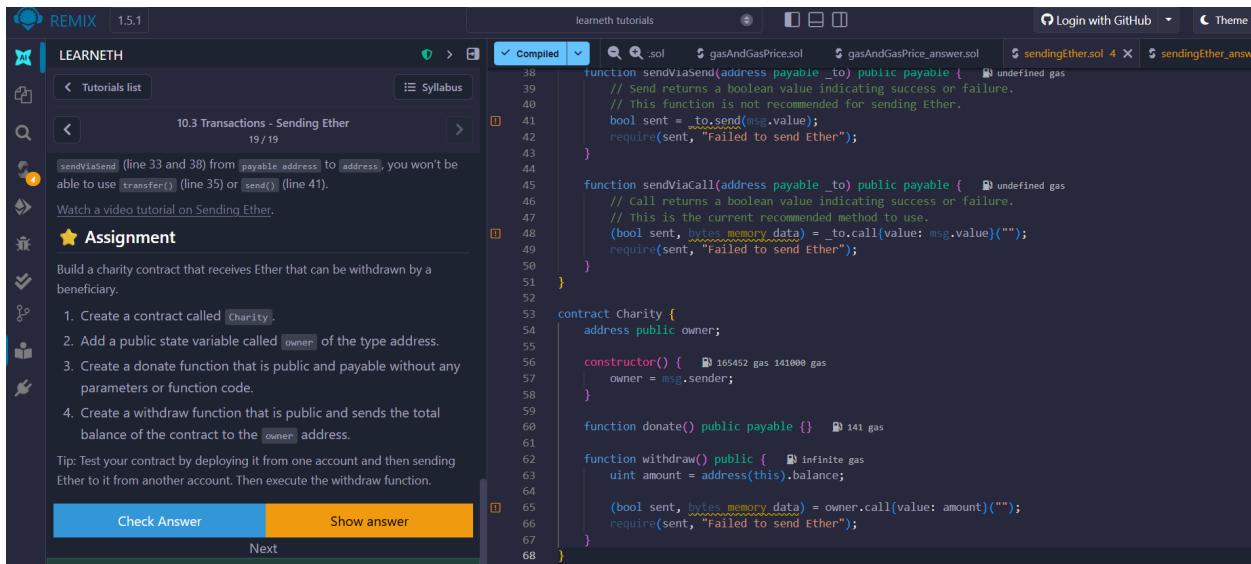
```
1 // SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
2 pragma solidity ^0.8.3;
3
4 contract EtherUnits {
5     uint public oneWei = 1 wei;
6     // 1 wei is equal to 1
7     bool public isOneWei = 1 wei == 1;
8
9     uint public oneEther = 1 ether;
10    // 1 ether is equal to 10^18 wei
11    bool public isOneEther = 1 ether == 1e18;
12
13    uint public oneGwei = 1 gwei;
14    // 1 ether is equal to 10^9 wei
15    bool public isOneGwei = 1 gwei == 1e9;
16 }
```

## Tutorial 18:Transactions-Gas and Gas Price

The screenshot shows the REMIX IDE interface with the title "Tutorial 18: Transactions - Gas and Gas Price". The left sidebar displays the "Tutorials list" with "10.2 Transactions - Gas and Gas Price" selected. The main content area contains text about the gas limit, followed by an assignment section. The assignment asks the user to create a new contract called "Gas" with a public state variable "cost" of type uint. A tip suggests checking the Remix terminal for transaction details. Below the assignment are "Check Answer", "Show answer", and "Next" buttons. The right side of the interface shows the Solidity code for the "Gas" contract:

```
1 // SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
2 pragma solidity ^0.8.3;
3
4 contract Gas {
5     uint public i = 0;
6     uint public cost = 170367;
7
8     // Using up all of the gas that you send causes your transaction to fail.
9     // State changes are undone.
10    // Gas spent are not refunded.
11    function forever() public {
12        // infinite gas
13        // here we run a loop until all of the gas are spent
14        // and the transaction fails
15        while (true) {
16            i += 1;
17        }
18 }
```

## Tutorial 19:Transactions-Sending Ether



The screenshot shows the REMIX IDE interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with various icons and a "Tutorials list" section. The main area displays a Solidity code editor with the following content:

```
function sendViaSend(address payable _to) public payable {
    // Send returns a boolean value indicating success or failure.
    // This function is not recommended for sending Ether.
    bool sent = _to.send(msg.value);
    require(sent, "Failed to send Ether");
}

function sendViaCall(address payable _to) public payable {
    // Call returns a boolean value indicating success or failure.
    // This is the current recommended method to use.
    (bool sent, bytes memory data) = _to.call{value: msg.value}("");
    require(sent, "Failed to send Ether");
}

contract Charity {
    address public owner;

    constructor() {
        owner = msg.sender;
    }

    function donate() public payable {}

    function withdraw() public {
        uint amount = address(this).balance;

        (bool sent, bytes memory data) = owner.call{value: amount}("");
        require(sent, "Failed to send Ether");
    }
}
```

Below the code editor, there are buttons for "Check Answer", "Show answer", and "Next".

## CONCLUSION:

Through this experiment, the basic concepts of Solidity programming were learned by completing practical assignments using the Remix IDE. Important topics such as data types, variables, different types of functions, visibility, modifiers, constructors, control flow statements, data structures, and transactions were studied and applied while creating smart contracts. The hands-on practice helped in understanding how to design, compile, and deploy contracts using the Remix VM. Overall, this experiment helped in building a clear understanding of blockchain concepts and provided a strong foundation for developing and managing smart contracts effectively.