

Blockchain Arena

Simulating Mining Wars and Network Attacks

Final Assignment

Verifiable On-Chain Provenance Tracker

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Objective

Welcome to your final assignment! In this project, you will build a complete decentralized application (DApp) to register unique items and track their ownership history on the blockchain. This will create a verifiable, tamper-proof record of provenance, which is the core concept behind Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs). Think of it as a system for tracking high-value goods like luxury watches, university degrees, or digital art certificates.

Learning Objectives

This project will solidify your understanding of:

- Smart Contract Development: Writing, testing, and deploying contracts using Solidity and Remix IDE.
- Custom Data Structures: Using struct to model real-world objects on-chain.
- State Management: Using mappings to store and retrieve data efficiently.
- Event-Driven Architecture: Using events to log important state changes and communicate with the frontend.
- Access Control: Writing secure functions and protecting state changes with modifiers or require statements.
- Full-Stack DApp Integration: Connecting a web frontend to a smart contract backend using the ethers. js library.
- Event Querying: Reading on-chain event logs to reconstruct item history.

Tools and Environment

- Smart Contract IDE: I strongly recommend using the Remix IDE (https://remix.ethereum.org/) for writing, compiling, and deploying your Solidity smart contract. It is a web-based IDE that requires no setup.
- GitHub Integration: Link your Remix IDE to your GitHub account to securely manage and back up your code. Since Remix is browser-based, connecting to GitHub helps prevent accidental data loss.
- Test Network: You will deploy your contract to an Ethereum test network (e.g., Sepolia). You can get free test ETH from a public faucet.
- Frontend: A simple HTML, CSS, and JavaScript stack.
- Wallet: A browser-based wallet like MetaMask is required to interact with your DApp.

Core Requirements

This project has two main parts: the smart contract backend and the web frontend.

Part 1: Smart Contract (Tracker.sol)

You will write a Solidity smart contract with the following features:

- 1. **Item Struct:** Create a **struct** named **Item** to store the data for each unique item. It must contain at least:
 - uint256 id: A unique identifier for the item.
 - string name: A name or description for the item.
 - address owner: The Ethereum address of the current owner.

2. State Variables:

- A mapping to link a uint256 ID to its corresponding Item struct.
- A counter variable to ensure every new item gets a unique ID.
- 3. **Events:** The contract must emit events for key actions to allow the frontend to listen for changes.
 - event ItemRegistered(uint256 indexed id, address indexed owner, string name);
 - event OwnershipTransferred(uint256 indexed id, address indexed from, address indexed to);

4. Functions:

- function registerItem(string memory _name): Creates a new item with a unique ID, sets the function caller (msg.sender) as the initial owner, and emits an ItemRegistered event.
- function transferOwnership(uint256 _id, address _newOwner): Must verify that the msg.sender is the current owner of the item before updating the owner and emitting an OwnershipTransferred event.

Part 2: Frontend (HTML, CSS, JavaScript with ethers.js)

Build a simple web interface to interact with your deployed smart contract.

- 1. Wallet Connection: A button to allow users to connect their MetaMask wallet to your DApp.
- 2. **Register New Item:** A form with a text input for the item's name and a "Register" button that calls the registerItem function.
- 3. **Display Items:** List all registered items. The best way to do this is by fetching and listening for the ItemRegistered events.
- 4. **Transfer Ownership:** For each item they own, the connected user should see an input field and a "Transfer" button to assign a new owner by calling the transferOwnership function.
- 5. **View Provenance:** Allow a user to click on any item to view its complete ownership history. This will require you to fetch all **OwnershipTransferred** events related to that specific item's ID.

Bonus Features (Optional)

If you finish the core requirements early, try implementing one of these:

- Enhanced Metadata: Add more fields to your Item struct, like a URL to an image or a longer description.
- Burnable Items: Implement a burnItem(uint256 _id) function that allows an owner to permanently destroy their item's record (be sure to add proper access control).
- Approval Function: Add an approve(address _to, uint256 _id) function, similar to the ERC-721 standard, that allows an owner to grant another address permission to transfer the item on their behalf.

Submission Guidelines

Submit the GitHub repository link containing the following files:

- 1. Source code for your smart contract (Tracker.sol).
- 2. All frontend source code files (HTML, CSS, JS).
- 3. A README.md file with:
 - Instructions for running the frontend.
 - The deployed contract address on the Sepolia test network.
 - A link to the contract on a block explorer like Etherscan.



GOOD LUCK & ENJOY BUILDING!