BitShares hackathon

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Overview

- explore the blockchain
 - what is BitShares?
 - wallets / block explorers / network status
- develop for the blockchain
 - backend development
 - frontend development
 - feed scripts
 - trading bots
- get paid by the blockchain!



Exploring the blockchain



What is BitShares? - history

- Protoshares: the theory of sharedrop and social contract
- BitSharesX: first DAC by Daniel Larimer implementing a decentralized exchange of market-pegged and userissued assets
- BitShares 2.0: lessons learnt, full rewrite of the base framework which implements an efficient blockchain toolkit that anyone can use: Graphene is born

https://github.com/bitshares/bitshares-core https://github.com/bitshares/bitshares-ui



BitShares technology

- easy to remember user names
- hierarchical, multi-sig access control
- market-pegged assets aka Smartcoins: BitUSD, BitBTC, etc.
- user-issued assets
- decentralized asset exchange
- It's fast! 3s block time, 3'000 tx / sec

https://docs.bitshares.org/



Actors, roles and responsibilities

- witnesses: block producers and feed publishers
 - DPoS based, ~25 witnesses (dynamic)
 - feed publishing act as oracle for MPAs on the blockchain

committee members

vote on blockchain parameters (block size, fees, etc.)

· workers

propose some work to be done, get voted on

proxies

users can vote through a proxy to alleviate voter apathy



BitShares binaries / clients

- witness_node daemon: main server, communicates using JSON-RPC over WebSockets
- cli_wallet client: command-line interface that also offers a more user-oriented JSON-RPC API over HTTP, thin layer that communicates with the witness_node
- web wallets / light wallets / mobile wallets: graphical user interfaces that communicate with witness_node, usually remote



Wallets - web wallets

- https://bitshares.org/wallet/
- https://wallet.bitshares.eu/
- https://openledger.io/
- https://market.rudex.org/
- https://bit.btsabc.org
- https://www.hellobts.com/
- https://crypto-bridge.org/
- https://www.freedomledger.com/
- https://btsgo.net
- https://trade.1001ico.com



Wallets - light wallets

- https://bitshares.org/download/
- https://github.com/bitshares/bitshares-ui/releases
- https://github.com/blckchnd/rudex-ui/releases



Wallets - mobile wallets

- Smartcoins wallet (@kencode)
 - https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?
 id=de.bitsharesmunich.smartcoinswallet&hl=en
- BitShares wallet (BitUniverse)
 - https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?
 id=com.bitshares.bitshareswallet
- https://www.magicw.net
- https://door.one/en/



Block explorers

- http://cryptofresh.com (@roadscape)
 - main block explorer
- https://bitshares.org/wallet and other web/light wallets
 - cog icon > explore
- http://bitshares-explorer.io/ (@oxarbitrage)
 - WIP, open-source alternative to cryptofresh



Network status

- http://stats.bitshares.eu (@xeroc)
 - network speed and congestion monitor
- http://status.bitsharesnodes.com (@wackou)
 - curated list of public seed nodes
- http://seeds.quisquis.de/bitshares.html (@pc)
 - dynamically crawled list of network nodes



Developing for the blockchain



Backend development

PyBitShares (@xeroc)

http://docs.pybitshares.com/

http and ws calls

https://github.com/xeroc/python-bitshares/

- wallet management
- transaction building and signing
- Uptick (@xeroc)

http://uptick.rocks

- user-friendly command line tools
- bts_tools (@wackou)

https://github.com/wackou/bts_tools

- monitoring tools for witnesses and seed/api nodes
- feed publishing
- notification via email and Telegram



Frontend development

- https://github.com/bitshares/bitshares-ui
- https://github.com/bitshares/bitsharesjs
- https://github.com/bitshares/bitsharesjs-ws
 - official wallet and corresponding base JS libraries
- https://github.com/Agorise/graphenej (@kencode)
 - Android development



Feed scripts

- https://github.com/xeroc/bitshares-pricefeed (@xeroc)
- https://github.com/wackou/bts_tools (@wackou)
- https://pypi.python.org/pypi/btsprice (alt)



Trading bots

- https://github.com/xeroc/stakemachine (@xeroc)
- https://github.com/pch957/pybtsbots-2015 (@alt)
- https://github.com/bitcrab/transbot (@bitcrab)
- https://steemit.com/bitshares/@linouxis9/liqbot-0
 (@linouxis9)



Getting paid by the blockchain!



The prize!

- Best project gets a prize of 1111 BitUSD
- Funded by the blockchain itself via @roelandp's proposal
- Present your project on Friday 2pm at Lisbon Secret Spot, Montes Claros



Thanks, and happy hacking!

Slides available at:

https://github.com/wackou/slides/blob/master/steemfest2_hackathon.pdf

