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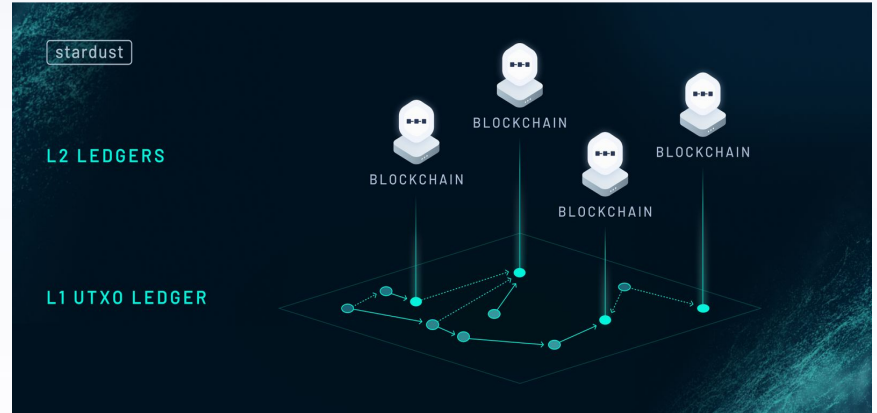
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IOTA Smart Contracts

Current Solution: IOTA EVM

- It's a **Layer 2 (L2) solution** where smart contracts are handled off-tangle in their dedicated blockchain
- The blockchain is run by a permissioned committee of nodes.
- Uses Ethereum technology (EVM)
- Periodically commits the state to the **L1**

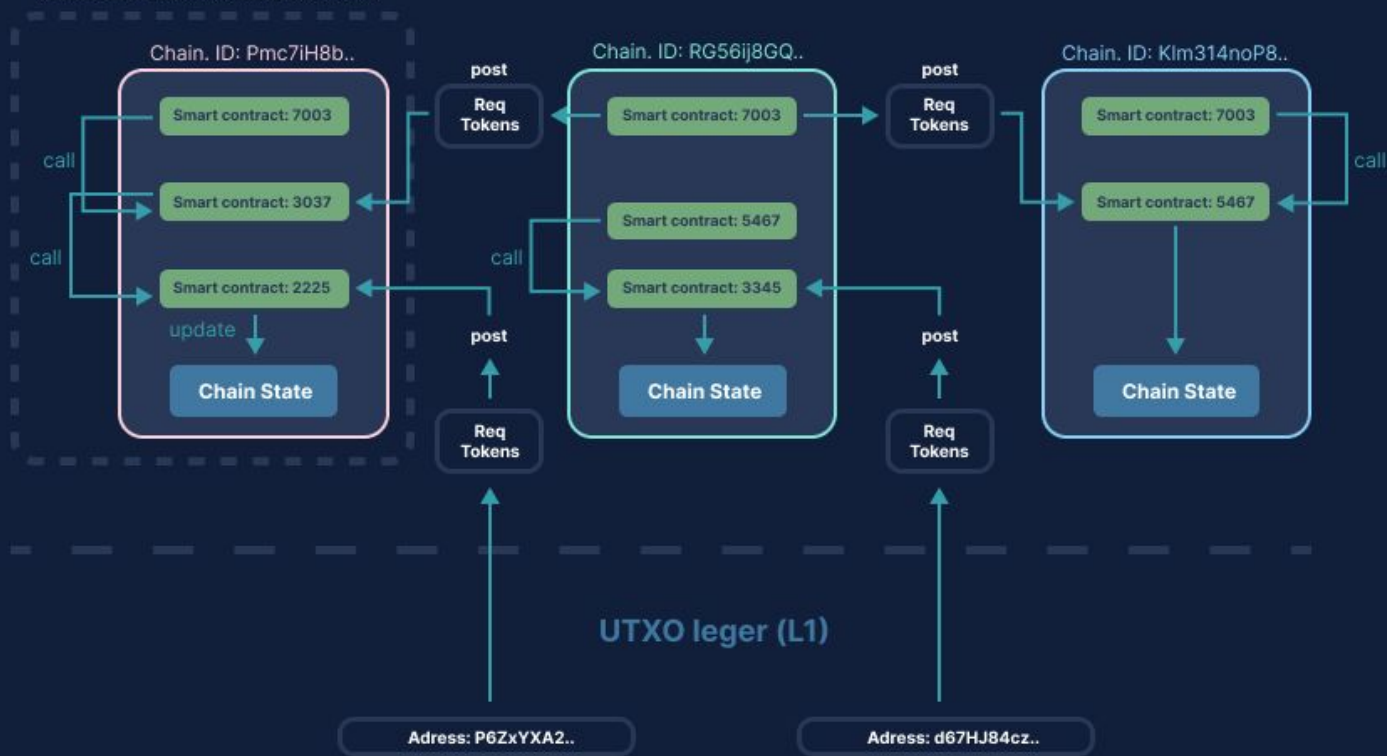


- **Layer 1 -> Stardust VM**
- limited in its capabilities: you can't write your own apps, but you can:
 - Create fungible tokens
 - Create NFTs
 - Store data and/or commitments on-tangle.
- Enhancing L1 with a better operating system -> **increases network's utility**



ISCP chains (L2)

Functional equivalence to Ethereum



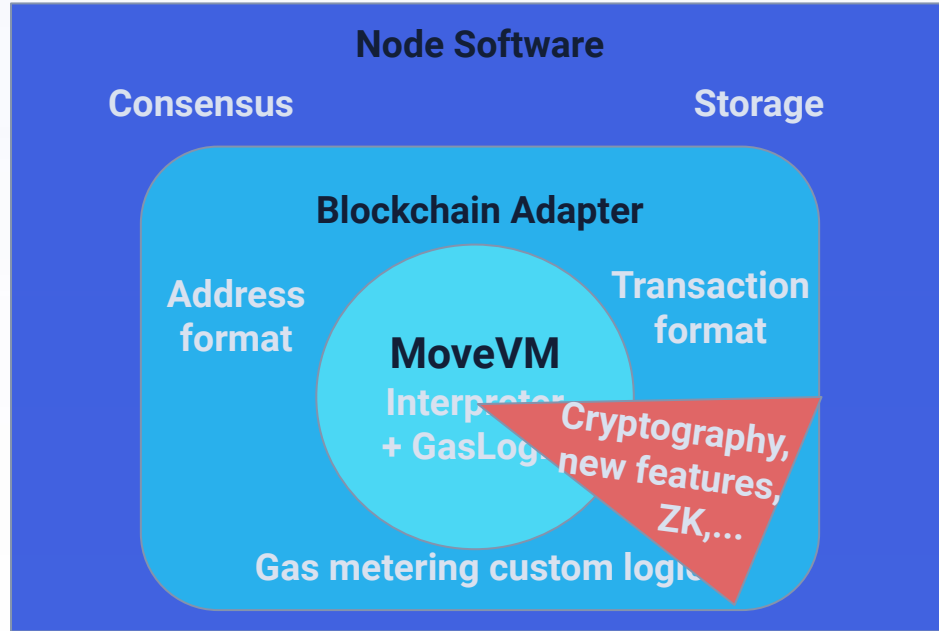
Sui Move Flavor

Move Virtual Machine

- **Blockchain agnostic:** we define how accounts and transactions work
- Core VM is **easily extensible** with:
 - Cryptography, signature schemes, ZKP verifiers
 - Blockchain specific features (mana generation, system transactions, account concept, etc.)
- Built-in **gas metering and safe math:** no undefined behavior is possible



Move Modularity



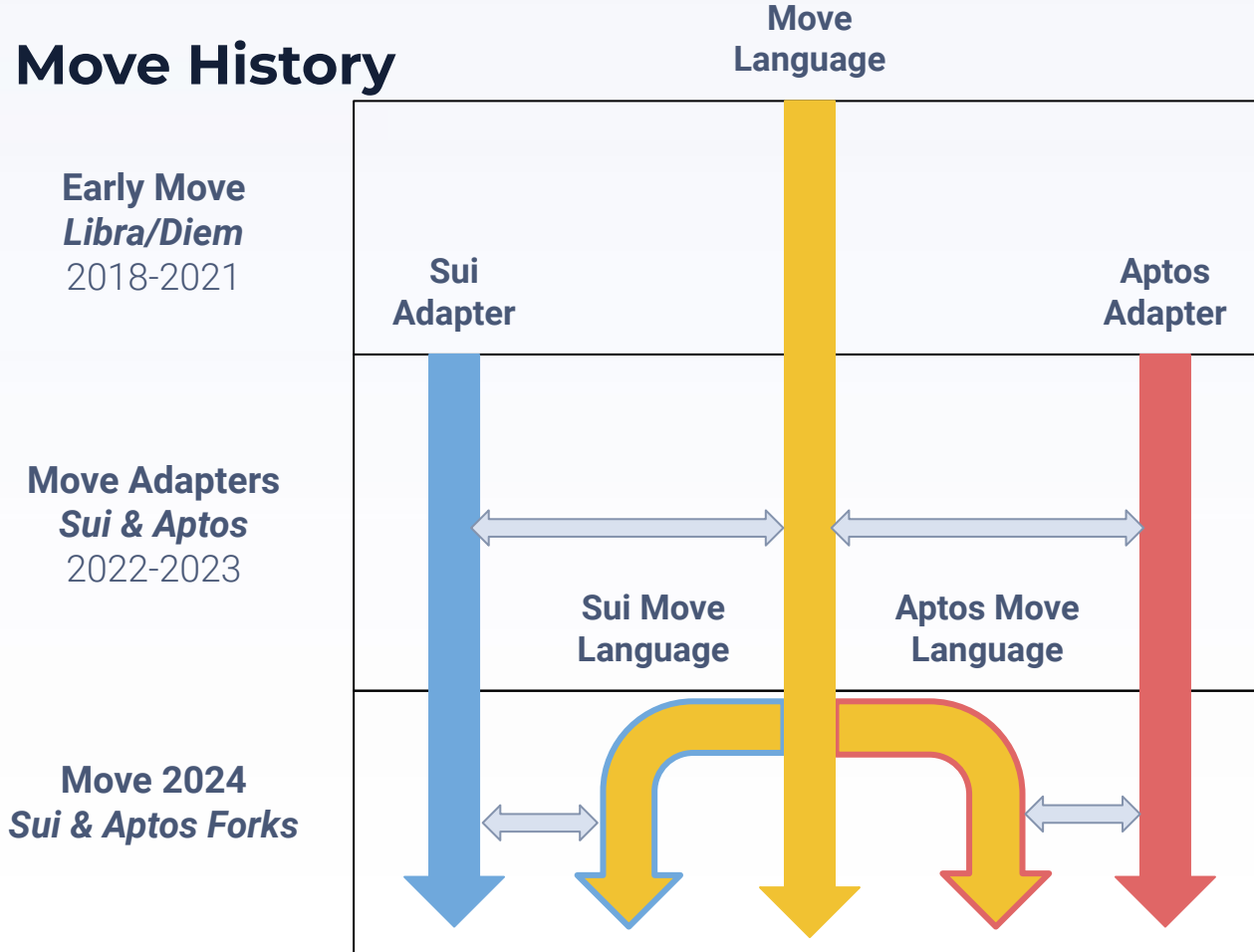
Move on Account vs Object Ledger

- **Unified Memory - Account Based Ledger:** EVM, WASM, ISC, Aptos, Core Move
 - Only sequential* execution
 - Convenient as you can access any memory location without prior request
- **Partitioned Memory - Object Based Ledger:** Sui Move, Cardano, Radix, Stardust, etc.
 - Parallel execution is possible, as **each SC names which objects it will touch**
 - Heavy usage of a particular SC doesn't degrade others
 - Execution needs only a fraction of the memory
 - UTXO is a special case of the object ledger

Move in Aptos vs Sui



Move History



IOTA flavored Move

Key differences between (Diem/Aptos) Move and IOTA/Sui Move (1/2)

- **Object-Centric Global Storage**
 - In (Diem) Move, transactions can **freely access resources**, *move_to* and *move_from*.
 - In IOTA Move transaction inputs are *explicitly specified using unique identifiers* for **objects** (as opposed to resources) and **packages** (sets of modules).
- **Addresses Represent Object IDs**
 - IOTA repurposes the address type as a **32-byte identifier** used for both *objects* (*object id*) and *accounts* (*address*).
- **Objects with Key Ability and Globally Unique IDs**
 - In (Diem) Move, the *key ability* indicates that a type is a **resource**, which, along with an account address, can serve as a key in global storage.
 - In IOTA Move, the *key ability* denotes an **object type** and requires the struct's first field to be **id: UID** (which becomes the object id).



0. Basics - Custom Types

A **structure** in IOTA Move is a *custom type* that contains *key-value pairs*, where the key is the name of a property, and the value is what's stored.

Struct

```
struct Color {  
    red: u8,  
    green: u8,  
    blue: u8,  
}
```

0. Basics - Abilities

- Abilities are keywords in IOTA Move that define **how types behave at the compiler level**
 - **copy**: the value of this type can be copied
 - usually basic types: Coin is an asset type that should not be duplicated, so it should not have copy ability
 - **drop**: the value of this type can be automatically destroyed at the end of the scope
 - for types without drop ability, not destroying them manually will cause a compilation error.
 - **key**: a type that can appear as a key in global storage
 - **store**: the value of this type can be stored (for example, in another struct)
- Custom types that have the abilities *key* and *store* are considered to be **assets** in IOTA Move.
 - Assets are stored in global storage and can be transferred between accounts.

1. Object Basics

- The first field of the **struct** must be the id of the object with type **UID**

Struct

```
struct Color {  
    red: u8,  
    green: u8,  
    blue: u8,  
}
```

Object

```
struct ColorObject has key {  
    id: UID,  
    red: u8,  
    green: u8,  
    blue: u8,  
}
```


1. Object Basics - Key

- In Move the **key** ability denotes a type that can appear as a key in global storage
- Diem Move uses a **(type, address)-indexed map**
- IOTA Move uses a **map keyed** by **object IDs**.

```
use iota::object::UID;  
  
struct ColorObject has key {  
    id: UID,
```

1. Object Basics - Create an Object

- The only way to create a new UID for a IOTA object is to call **object::new**.



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```
use iota::object;
// tx_context::TxContext creates an alias to the TxContext struct in the tx_context module.
use iota::tx_context::TxContext;

fun new(red: u8, green: u8, blue: u8, ctx: &mut TxContext): ColorObject {
  ColorObject {
    id: object::new(ctx),
    red,
    green,
    blue,
  }
}
```

1. Object Basics - Store an Object

- The constructor puts the object value in a local variable.
- The object can then be placed in persistent global storage.

```
public entry fun create(red: u8, green: u8, blue: u8, ctx: &mut TxContext) {  
    let color_object = new(red, green, blue, ctx);  
    transfer::transfer(color_object, tx_context::sender(ctx))  
}
```

2. Owned, Shared and Immutable Objects

- Objects in IOTA can have different types of **ownership**, with three categories:
 - **Owned mutable** object -> is owned by an address/object
 - **Shared mutable** object -> anyone can use it in a transaction
 - **Immutable** object -> an object that can't be mutated, transferred or deleted.
- In other blockchains, ***every object is shared***
 - In IOTA Move programmers have the choice to implement a particular use-case using **shared objects, owned objects, or a combination.**
- In IOTA, a transaction that touches a shared object needs to pass through the consensus mechanism. Whilst, a transaction that touches only owned objects does not need it.

2. Owned, Shared and Immutable Objects

- **Address Owned object:** *exclusively accessible to their owner*
 - The owner is a 32-byte user address or object ID
 - Does not require consensus to be modified

```
module examples::custom_transfer {
  // Error code for trying to transfer a locked object
  const EObjectLocked: u64 = 0;

  public struct O has key {
    id: UID,
    // An `O` object can only be transferred if this field is `true`
    unlocked: bool
  }

  // Check that `O` is unlocked before transferring it
  public fun transfer_unlocked(object: O, to: address) {
    assert!(object.unlocked, EObjectLocked);
    iota::transfer::transfer(object, to)
  }
}
```



2. Owned, *Shared* and Immutable Objects

- **Shared object:** *anyone can read or write this object.*
 - mutable owned objects are single-writer
 - shared objects require to sequence reads and writes

```
/// Init function is often ideal place for initializing  
/// a shared object as it is called only once.  
fun init(ctx: &mut TxContext) {  
    transfer::transfer(ShopOwnerCap {  
        id: object::new(ctx)  
    }, tx_context::sender(ctx));  
  
// Share the object to make it accessible to everyone!  
    transfer::share_object(DonutShop {  
        id: object::new(ctx),  
        price: 1000,  
        balance: balance::zero()  
    })  
}
```

2. Owned, Shared and *Immutable* Objects

- Immutable objects have no owner, so anyone can use them without the need for ordering
 - packages are immutable objects
 - you can freeze an initially mutable object

```
public entry fun freeze_object(object: ColorObject) {  
    transfer::freeze_object(object)  
}
```

3. Using Objects

- IOTA Move **authentication mechanisms** ensure ***only you can use objects owned by you*** or ***shared*** in function calls.
- The object can be passed as a parameter to a function in two ways (core Move):
 - Pass by reference
 - *&ColorObject*
 - *&mut ColorObject*
 - Pass by value
 - *ColorObject*



3. Using Objects - Pass by Reference

- **Read-only references** (&) allow you to read data from the object
- **Mutable references** (&mut) allow you to mutate the data in the object.

```
/// Copies the values of `from_object` into `into_object`.
public entry fun copy_into(from_object: &ColorObject, into_object: &mut ColorObject) {
    into_object.red = from_object.red;
    into_object.green = from_object.green;
    into_object.blue = from_object.blue;
}
```

3. Using Objects - Pass by Value

- Pass objects by value into an entry function means the **object is moved out of storage**.
- Objects **cannot** be arbitrarily **dropped** and must be either consumed (e.g., transferred) or deleted

```
public entry fun delete(object: ColorObject) {  
    let ColorObject { id, red: _, green: _, blue: _ } = object;  
    object::delete(id);  
}
```

```
public entry fun transfer(object: ColorObject, recipient: address) {  
    transfer::transfer(object, recipient)  
}
```

4. Object Wrapping

- In IOTA Move, you can organize data structs by putting a field of **struct** type in another
- To embed a struct type in an object struct (with a key ability), the struct type must have the **store ability**.

```
struct Wrapping has key {  
  id: UID,  
  obj: Wrapped,  
}  
  
struct Wrapped has key, store {  
  value: u64,  
}
```

4. Object Wrapping

- When an object is **wrapped** into another object:
 - it **no longer exists independently** on the ledger; it becomes part of the data of the object that wraps it;
 - is no longer **findable** by its *objectID*;
 - is no longer passable as an argument in transactions procedures calls; the only access point is through the wrapping object (you need to pass this as argument).
- **Unwrapping**
 - you can then take out the wrapped object and transfer it to an address;
 - when an object is unwrapped, it becomes an independent object again;
 - **wrapped objects cannot be unwrapped unless the wrapping object is destroyed**

4. Object Wrapping

```
struct ObjectWrapper has key {
    id: UID,
    original_owner: address,
    to_swap: Object,
}
public entry fun request_swap(object: Object, service_address: address, ctx: Context) {
    let wrapper = ObjectWrapper {
        id: object::new(ctx),
        original_owner: tx_context::sender(ctx),
        to_swap: object,
    };
    transfer::transfer(wrapper, service_address);
}
public entry fun execute_swap(wrapper1: ObjectWrapper, wrapper2: ObjectWrapper, ctx: Context) {
    // Unpack both wrappers, cross send them to the other owner.
    let ObjectWrapper {
        id: id1,
        original_owner: original_owner1,
        to_swap: object1,
    } = wrapper1;

    let ObjectWrapper {
        id: id2,
        original_owner: original_owner2,
        to_swap: object2,
    } = wrapper2;

    // Perform the swap.
    transfer::transfer(object1, original_owner2);
    transfer::transfer(object2, original_owner1);
}
```

5. Dynamic Fields

- IOTA Move provides **dynamic fields** with arbitrary *names*, added and removed on-the-fly (not fixed at publish), which can store heterogeneous values.
- This approach overcomes the following limitations:
 - Object's have a finite set of fields, fixed when its module is declared.
 - Objects can become very large if they wrap several other objects (high gas fees).
 - It is not possible to store a collection of objects (e.g., vector) of heterogeneous types.

5. Dynamic Fields - Add field

- This function takes the **Child object** *by value* and makes it a *dynamic field* of the **Parent object** with name ***b"child"***:
 - sender address owns the Parent object;
 - the Parent object owns the Child object, and can refer to it by the name *b"child"*.

```
use iota::dynamic_object_field as ofield;

public fun add_child(parent: &mut Parent, child: Child) {
    ofield::add(&mut parent.id, b"child", child);
}
```

5. Dynamic Fields - Access field

```
use iota::dynamic_object_field as ofield;

public fun mutate_child(child: &mut Child) {
    child.count = child.count + 1;
}

public fun mutate_child_via_parent(parent: &mut Parent) {
    mutate_child(ofield::borrow_mut(
        &mut parent.id,
        b"child",
    ));
}
```


5. Dynamic Fields - Remove field

```
use iota::dynamic_object_field as ofield;

public fun delete_child(parent: &mut Parent) {
    let Child { id, count: _ } = reclaim_child(parent);

    object::delete(id);
}

public fun reclaim_child(parent: &mut Parent, ctx: &mut TxContext): Child {
    ofield::remove(
        &mut parent.id,
        b"child",
    );
}
```

6. Transfer to Object

- *Transfer objects to an object ID* works in the **same way as an object transfer to an address** (using the same functions)
- Transferring an object to another object means establishing a form of **parent-child** authentication relationship.
 - Objects transferred to another object can be **received** by the owner of the parent object.
 - The **parent** (receiving) object **module defines the access control** for receiving a child obj.

```
// Transfers the object `b` to the address 0xADD  
iota::transfer::public_transfer(b, @0xADD);
```

```
// Transfers the object `c` to the object with object ID 0x0B  
iota::transfer::public_transfer(c, @0x0B);
```

6. Transfer to Object - Receive

- After an object c has been sent to another object p , p must then receive c to do anything with it.
- The module of the type of p defines access control policies and other restrictions on c

```
/// This function will receive a coin sent to the `Account` object and then  
/// join it to the balance for each coin type.  
/// Dynamic fields are used to index the balances by their coin type.  
public fun accept_payment<T>(account: &mut Account, sent: Receiving<Coin<T>>) {  
    // Receive the coin that was sent to the `account` object  
    // Since `Coin` is not defined in this module, and since it has the `store`  
    // ability we receive the coin object using the `transfer::public_receive` function.  
    let coin = transfer::public_receive(&mut account.id, sent);  
    let account_balance_type = AccountBalance<T>{};  
    let account_uid = &mut account.id;  
  
    // Check if a balance of that coin type already exists.  
    // If it does then merge the coin we just received into it,  
    // otherwise create new balance.  
    if (df::exists_(account_uid, account_balance_type)) {  
        let balance: &mut Coin<T> = df::borrow_mut(account_uid, account_balance_type);  
        coin::join(balance, coin);  
    } else {  
        df::add(account_uid, account_balance_type, coin);  
    }  
}
```

7. One-Time Witness (OTW)

- Special type guaranteed to have **at most one instance**: useful for limiting certain actions to only happen once (e.g., creating a coin). The only instance is passed to its module's init function when its package is published. In Move, a type is considered a OTW if:
 - Its name is the **same as its module's names**, all **uppercased**.
 - It has **ONLY** the **drop ability**
 - It has **no fields**, or a single bool field.

```
module examples::mycoin {  
  
    /// Name matches the module name  
    struct MYCOIN has drop {}  
  
    /// The instance is received as the first argument  
    fun init(witness: MYCOIN, ctx: &mut TxContext) {  
        /* ... */  
    }  
}
```

8. Generics

- Generics are **abstract stand-ins for concrete types** or other properties.

```
struct Box<T> {  
    value: T  
}
```

- **Conditions** to enforce that the type passed into the generic *must have certain abilities*.

```
// T must be copyable and droppable  
struct Box<T: store + drop> has key, store {  
    value: T  
}
```

- Using generics in functions

```
public fun create_box<T>(value: T): Box<T> {  
    Box<T> { value }  
}
```

```
// value will be of type storage::Box<bool>  
let bool_box = storage::create_box<bool>(true);  
// value will be of the type storage::Box<u64>  
let u64_box = storage::create_box<u64>(1000000);
```



9. Hot Potato Pattern

1. This pattern requires that **function B** must be called *immediately after function A*, when **function A** returns a **hot potato** and **function B** consumes it.
2. Flash loan:
 - a. create a **`Receipt` struct** that
 - cannot be discarded because it does not have ``drop``,
 - cannot be put in persistent storage because it does not have ``key``,
 - cannot be transferred or wrapped because it does not have ``store``.
 - b. Have a **`loan`** function that requests a loan of ``amount`` from ``lender`` and returns the **`Receipt`**
 - c. the only way to get rid of it is to call **`repay`** at some point forcing to pay back the debt.



10. Capability Pattern

- This pattern enables the **authorization of specific actions with an object**.
 - e.g., the UpgradeCap is used to authorize the upgrading of packages.
 - e.g. the TreasuryCap grants the authority to manage a Coin treasury functions.

```
/// Type representing the capability to create new `Item`s.
public struct AdminCap has key { id: UID }

/// Custom NFT-like type representing an item.
public struct Item has key, store { id: UID, name: String }

/// Module initializer, called once during the module's deployment.
/// This function creates a single instance of `AdminCap` and assigns it to the publisher.
fun init(ctx: &mut TxContext) {
  transfer::transfer(AdminCap {
    id: object::new(ctx)
  }, tx_context::sender(ctx))
}

/// Function to create a new `Item`. It requires `AdminCap` to authorize the action.
public fun create_item(_: &AdminCap, name: String, ctx: &mut TxContext): Item {
  let item = Item {
    id: object::new(ctx),
    name,
  };
  item
}
```

Interacting with a IOTA Move Module

0. Create a IOTA Move Package - Modules file

<https://docs.iota.org/developer/getting-started/create-a-package>



0. Write a IOTA Move Package

```
module my_first_package:my_module {
```

```
  // Imports
  use iota::object::{Self, UID};
  use iota::transfer;
  use iota::tx_context::{Self, TxContext};
```

```
  // Struct definitions
  struct Sword has key, store {
    id: UID,
    magic: u64,
    strength: u64,
  }
```

```
  struct Forge has key, store {
    id: UID,
    swords_created: u64,
  }
```

```
  // Module initializer to be executed when this module is published
```

```
  fun init(ctx: &mut TxContext) {
    let admin = Forge {
      id: object::new(ctx),
      swords_created: 0,
    };
  }
```

```
  // Transfer the forge object to the module/package publisher
  transfer::public_transfer(admin, tx_context::sender(ctx));
}
```

```
  // Accessors required to read the struct attributes
```

```
  public fun magic(self: &Sword): u64 {
    self.magic
  }
```

```
  public fun strength(self: &Sword): u64 {
    self.strength
  }
```

```
  public fun swords_created(self: &Forge): u64 {
    self.swords_created
  }
```

```
  // Public/entry functions
```

```
  // Private functions
```

```
}
```

1. Build and Publish a IOTA Move Package

```
$ iota move build
$ iota move test
$
$
$ iota client publish --gas-budget 5000000
```

```
#[test]
public fun test_sword() {
    // Create a dummy TxContext for testing.
    let mut ctx = tx_context::dummy();

    // Create a sword.
    let sword = Sword {
        id: object::new(&mut ctx),
        magic: 42,
        strength: 7,
    };

    // Check if accessor functions return correct values.
    assert!(magic(&sword) == 42 && strength(&sword) == 7, 1);
}
```

2. Interact with a Package

- Now that the package is on chain you can use the

```
$ iota client call command
```

to make individual calls to package functions

```
iota client call \  
--package  
0x83a30c4c3cbdd33068d36fc18d1f097f9196b79a475b7fe69f517063b376dd23 \  
--module luckyplumber \  
--function get_mad \  
--type-args  
0xd95b4510206e13fbe9413bc61183ac3b8375c8971adc54c81eeb9c96d61b5ff1::btfa  
::BTFTType \  
--args 44  
0x59f9ed7d8f7c7ed490a63e572c87705e23667570564251e3a20ceedf9c8f961d  
--gas-budget 50000000 \  

```

2. Interact with a Package - PTB

- You can construct more advanced blocks of transactions using the `$ iota client ptb` command.
- In general, transactions on IOTA are composed of:
 - a number of **commands**
 - that execute on **inputs**
 - to define some **results**

3. Programmable Transaction Blocks

- The **inputs value** of a PTB is value is a vector of arguments, either *objects* or *pure values*
- The **commands value** of a PTB is a vector of commands using *inputs* or *results* to execute code
 - *TransferObjects* sends (one or more) objects to a specified address
 - *SplitCoins* splits off (one or more) coins from a single coin. It can be any `iota::coin::Coin<_>`
 - *MergeCoins* merges (one or more) coins into a single coin
 - *MakeMoveVec* creates a vector of Move values
 - **MoveCall** invokes either an *entry* or a *public* Move function in a published package.
 - *Publish* creates a new package and calls the init function of each module in the package.
 - *Upgrade* upgrades an existing package.
- The **result values** is a vector of values that can be produced by each command; the type of the value can be any arbitrary Move type, not limited to objects or pure values.
- A PTB can perform up to 1,024 unique operations in a single execution.



3. Programmable Transaction Blocks

```
$ iota client ptb \  
--move-call 0xd95b4510206e13fbe9413bc61183ac3b8375c8971adc54c81eeb9c96d61b5ff1::pkg::func  
"<0xd95b4510206e13fbe9413bc61183ac3b8375c8971adc54c81eeb9c96d61b5ff1::pkg1::TYPE1,0xd95b451  
0206e13fbe9413bc61183ac3b8375c8971adc54c81eeb9c96d61b5ff1::pkg2::TYPE2>"  
@0x0b72fb4d8106699c773bf58fd0a49ffe3a08bdd58f245946d160ed5463f7ba47 99 true \  
--assign result_variable \  
--move-call iota::tx_context::sender \  
--assign sender \  
--transfer-objects "[result_variable.2]" sender \  
--move-call 0xd95b4510206e13fbe9413bc61183ac3b8375c8971adc54c81eeb9c96d61b5ff1::pkg::func2  
"<0xd95b4510206e13fbe9413bc61183ac3b8375c8971adc54c81eeb9c96d61b5ff1::pkg1::TYPE1"  
@0x0b72fb4d8106699c773bf58fd0a49ffe3a08bdd58f245946d160ed5463f7ba47 result_variable.0 \  
--gas-budget 50000000
```

4. *public* vs *entry* functions

- The **public** modifier allows a function to be *called from a PTB* and also *from other modules*
 - NO restrictions on parameters
- The **entry** modifier allows a function to be called directly from a PTB as a module "entrypoint".
 - entry functions **parameters must be inputs** to the PTB (not results of previous command)
 - only allowed to return types that have drop
- Use the *entry* modifier when:
 - You want strong guarantees that your function is not being combined with third-party module functions (e.g., swap protocol that does not want a flash loan)
 - *public* function signatures must be maintained by upgrades (entry function not).
 - It is also possible to create a *public entry* function, can be called by other modules

5. Binary Canonical Serialization (BCS)

- BCS is a **serialization format** developed in the context of the Diem blockchain
 - now extensively used in most of the blockchains based on Move (IOTA, Sui, Aptos, 0L).
- BCS is *not only used in the Move VM*, but also used in **transaction and event coding**.

```
var { bcs, fromHEX } = require('@mysten/bcs');
const Calzone = bcs.struct('Calzone', {
  flour: bcs.u16(),
  tomato_sauce: bcs.u16(),
  cheese: bcs.u16(),
});
const hex = "0a000300620272011200c800b4000000"
const calzone = Calzone.parse(fromHEX(hex));
```

What's left?

- Collections
- Events
- Package upgrades
- Proper Testing
- Clock and Random objects
- ...

- <https://docs.iota.org/developer/iota-101/move-overview/>
- <https://docs.iota.org/references/cli/client>
- https://intro.sui-book.com/unit-one/lessons/1_set_up_environment.html





Thank you!

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