

Ethereum and Solidity - The Complete Developer's Guide

Section 2. Smart Contracts with Solidity

Boilerplate Design

Issue	Solution
Need to be able to write Solidity code in a Javascript project	Set up the Solidity compiler to build our contracts
Need some way to rapidly test contracts without doing the manual testing we were doing with Remix	Set up a custom Mocha test runner that can somehow test Solidity code
Need some way to deploy our contract to public networks	Set up a deploy script to compile + deploy our contract

We will use Node.js, npm

Boilerplate Requirements

1. Compiling contract

```

/contracts/ContractName.sol

script 'compile.js'

const path = require('path');
const fs = require('fs');
const solc = require('solc');

const inboxPath = path.resolve(__dirname, 'contracts', 'inbox.sol');
const source = fs.readFileSync(inboxPath, 'utf8');

const input = {
  language: 'Solidity',
  sources: {
    inbox.sol: {
      content: source,
    },
  },
  settings: {
    optimizer: {
      enabled: true,
      runs: 200,
    },
  },
};

const { artifacts } = solc.compile(JSON.parse(JSON.stringify(input)), contracts[
  'inbox.sol'
]);
    
```

export Interface and Bytecode!

script 'test/ContractName.test.js'

Initialization of test network

We run test Ethereum network (Ganache) locally

```

const assert = require('assert');
const ganache = require('ganache-cli');
const Web3 = require('web3');
const web3 = new Web3(ganache.provider());

const { abi, evm } = require('../compile');
    
```

Web3 Versioning

version	features
v0.x.x	Support for promises + abstract
v1.x.x	

Testing with Mocha principles

Function	Purpose
it	Run a test and make an assertion.
describe	Groups together 'it' functions.
beforeEach	Execute some general setup code.

2. Testing contract locally

Deploying compiled contract on test network using test account

Ganache already has unlocked test accounts without keys - useful for testing!

```

const { abi, evm } = require('../compile');

let accounts;
let inbox;

beforeEach(async () => {
  // Get a list of all accounts
  accounts = await web3.eth.getAccounts();
  inbox = await new web3.eth.Contract(abi)
    .deploy({ options: {
      data: evm.bytecode.object,
      arguments: ['Hi there!'],
    } })
    .send({ options: { from: accounts[0], gas: '1000000' } });
});
    
```

Teaches web3 about what methods an inbox contract has

Inbox = await new web3.eth.Contract(JSON.parse(interface)).deploy({ data: bytecode, arguments: ['Hi there!'] }).send({ from: accounts[0], gas: '1000000' });

Tells web3 that we want to deploy a new copy of this contract

Two goals of using Web3

Goal	ABI	Bytecode	Address of deployed contract
Interact with deployed contract	✓	✗	✓
Create a contract	✓	✓	✗

Testing contract methods

Two types of messages

- Reading data: call()
- Changing data (sending transaction): send({from: account})

```

describe('inbox', function() {
  it('deploys a contract', function() {
    assert.ok(inbox.options.address);
  });
  it('has a default message', function() {
    const message = await inbox.methods.message().call();
    assert.equal(message, 'Hi there!');
  });
  it('can change the message', function() {
    await inbox.methods.setMessage('bye').send({ from: accounts[0] });
    const message = await inbox.methods.message().call();
    assert.equal(message, 'bye');
  });
});
    
```

3. Deploying and testing on public test network

Deployment with Infura overview

We need to have account with Ether on it! We can use our test Account Mnemonic created on Rinkaby using MetaMask. Use only TEST metamask account!

We need to connect to some specific Node We can run our node locally But it is too complex We can use Infura's nodes Create project on infura.io Copy Rinkaby endpoint

script deploy.js

```

const HDWalletProvider = require('@truffle/hdwallet-provider');
const Web3 = require('web3');

const { abi, evm } = require('../compile');

const provider = new HDWalletProvider(
  args: 'REPLACE_WITH_YOUR_MNEMONIC',
  'REPLACE_WITH_YOUR_INFURA_URL'
);

const web3 = new Web3(provider);
    
```

Connect to public network using Infura and test account mnemonic

Deploying contract

```

const deploy = async () => {
  const accounts = await web3.eth.getAccounts();

  console.log('Attempting to deploy from account', accounts[0]);

  const result = await new web3.eth.Contract(abi)
    .deploy({ options: { data: evm.bytecode.object, arguments: ['Hi there!'] } })
    .send({ options: { gas: '1000000', from: accounts[0] } });

  console.log('Contract deployed to', result.options.address);
  provider.engine.stop();
};

deploy();
    
```

Interacting with deployed contract

Use Environment="Injected Web3" Connect to MetaMask

Load contract "At Address"

Now can send messages It requires to spend some Ether - MetaMask asks for confirmation