

# Adding Smart Contracts to the XRPL

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<https://github.com/TimCve/rippled-smart-contracts>

# Smart Contract Goals

## **Fully Programmable**

use real programming language, not just some configurable parameters

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**WebAssembly (WASM)**



## **Tiny Footprint**

bytes / kbs scale binaries

## **Fast Execution**

near-native performance

## **Powerful ABI**

direct calls to Rippled  
C++ method wrappers

## **Well Understood**

compiled from well  
recognized languages like C

# Two New Transactions

## ContractDeploy

- validates code
- measures worst-case performance  
*(determine contract execution fee)*
- inserts contract into ledger

## ContractCall

- takes user arguments
- executes logic (WebAssembly)
- reads ledger data
- manages SmartObjects  
*(general-purpose state)*

Unique ID based on hash of  
deploying transaction

**ID:** sha256(deployTx)

**Owner:** rDeployerAccountAddr

**Execution Cost:** 5,000 drops

**Balance:** 100,000,000 drops

**Code:**

smart\_contract.wasm

Deployer "owns" contract &  
must keep reserve

Based on worst-case performance  
calculated at deployment

Amount of XRP drops "locked" in  
smart contract

```
1 #include "smart_contract_abi.h" Include Smart Contract ABI
2 #include <stdint.h>
3
4 typedef struct { uint32_t count; } state_t; // persisted state
5 typedef struct PACKED { id256_t id; uint32_t delta; } params_t; // call params
6
7 __attribute__((export_name("entrypoint")))
8 int32_t entrypoint(int64_t opt) {
9     if (opt == 1) { // init: create counter object
10         state_t s = {0}; id256_t id;
11         createSmartObject((int32_t)&s, sizeof(s), (int32_t)&id);
12         return 0;
13     }
14     if (opt == 2) { // update: load -> mutate -> store
15         if (!paramsPassed()) return -1;
16         params_t p;
17         if (getParams((int32_t)&p, sizeof(p)) != sizeof(p))
18             return -2;
19         state_t s;
20         if (getSmartObjectData((int32_t)&p.id, (int32_t)&s, sizeof(s)) != sizeof(s))
21             return -3;
22         s.count += p.delta; setSmartObject((int32_t)&p.id, (int32_t)&s, sizeof(s));
23         return 0;
24     }
25     return -999; // unknown option
26 }
```

Define data types

Separate "options"

Persistent state  
management  
with Smart Objects

## SmartObject

-sfSmartObjectID  
-sfAccount  
-sfContractID  
-sfSmartObjectData

- creator (sfAccount) must keep reserve
- SmartObject operations have definite costs (100 ~ 150 drops)

every ABI function has a definite cost (all included in transaction fee)

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-0.00015 XRP

-0.00001 XRP

-0.00003 XRP

-0.0001 XRP

-0.00015 XRP

# XRP Managment

Only contract owner and  
contract caller XRP can  
be "locked"

```
1 #include "smart_contract_abi.h"
2 #include <stdint.h>
3
4 #define AMOUNT 100
5
6 /* entrypoint definition, logic, etc. */
7
8 // XRP "locking"
9 lockOwnerXRP( AMOUNT); // ContractBalance += 100
10 lockCallerXRP(AMOUNT); // ContractBalance += 100
11
12 addr_t owner;
13 getOwnerAddr((int32_t)&owner);
14
15 int64_t bal;
16 bal = getContractBalance();
17
18 // XRP "unlocking"
19 unlockXRP(bal, (int32_t)&owner); // ContractBalance -= 200
20 // Owner Balance += 200
```

**contract balance = 200 drops**

**contract balance = 0 drops**

XRP unlocked from  
contract balance

escrow-style scenarios  
i.e. locking funds for later unlocking  
must be manually managed via  
SmartObjects

# Loop Guards

*inspired by XRPL  
Hooks proposal*

The Smart Contract ABI provides a mandatory loop guard function.

```
1 #include "smart_contract_abi.h"
2 #include <stdint.h>
3
4 // automatically set guard ID to line number
5 #define GUARD(maxiter) _g(__LINE__, maxiter)
6
7 /* entrypoint definition, logic, etc. */
8
9 for (uint32_t i = 0; i < 100; i++) {
10     GUARD(100); // _g(10, 100)
11
12     for (uint32_t j = 0; j < 100; j++) {
13         GUARD(10000); // _g(13, 10000)
14     }
15 }
```

## Two Purposes:

- guideline for worst-case loop performance during code metering at deployment
- spam prevention by hard stopping execution if guard exceeded

# A real application...

*Trustless coin flip game via smart contracts on the XRPL*



# The Game Premise

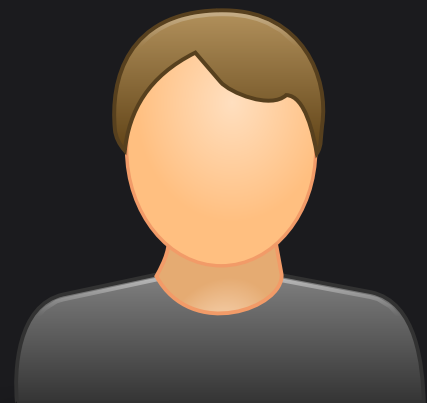


**DEALER**



```
entry = sha256(secret||salt)
```

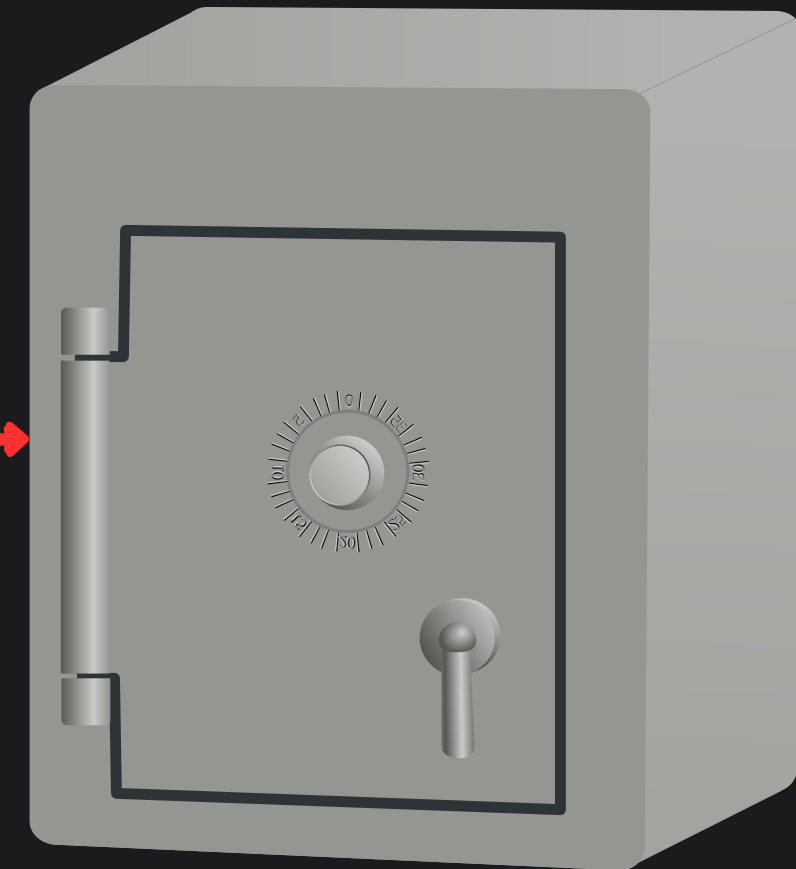
100,000,000 drops



**PLAYER**

```
entry8 = 00000001b  
betDrops = 100,000,000
```

100,000,000 drops



# The Game Premise



**DEALER**

```
secret8 = 000000001b  
salt256 = 604..8ea  
entry = sha256(secret||salt)
```



**PLAYER**

```
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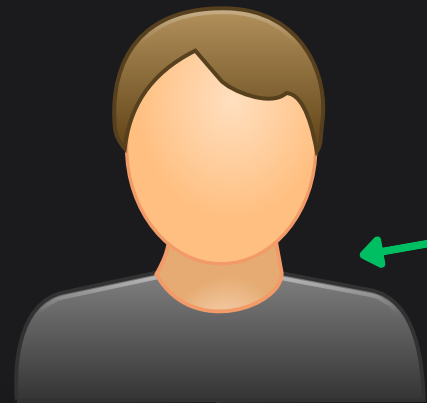


000000001b == 000000001b

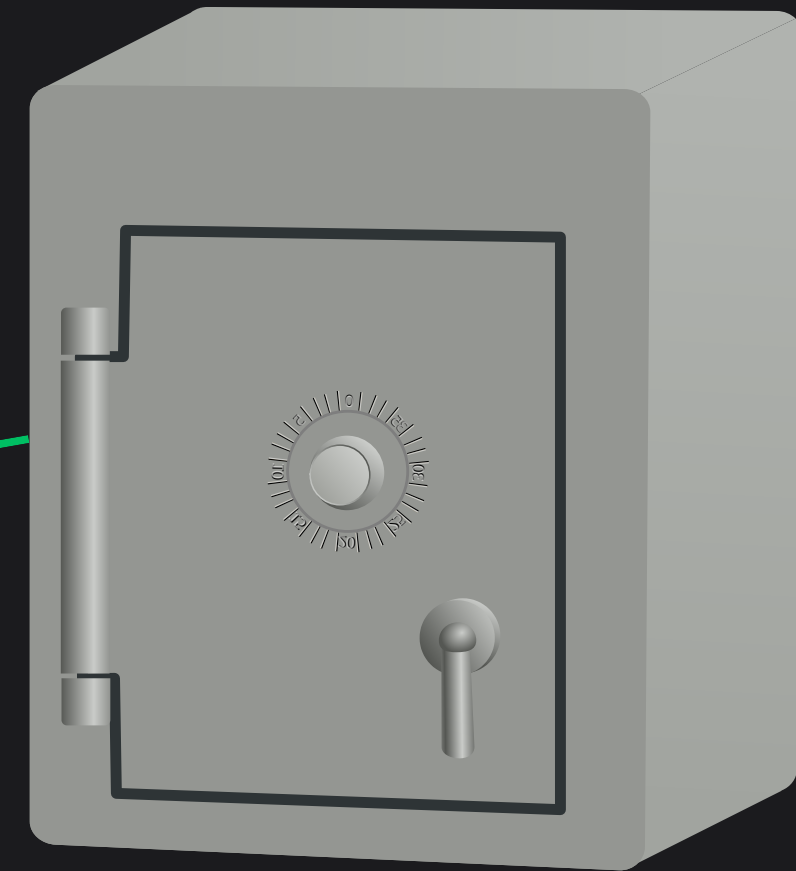
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DEALER



PLAYER



200,000,000 drops

00000001b == 00000001b

**From the  
technical side...**



## Deployed SmartContract Object:

```
{  
  "Account": "rHb9CJAWyB4rj91VRWn96DkukG4bwdtyTh", # owner address  
  "ContractCode": "006...20B", # coinflip.wasm (2793 bytes)  
  "ContractCost": "828", # derived from worst-case performance at deployment  
  "ContractID": "BEF51CFD39116BED736B91C943FE03338152B3CEF00E917D789CA29C8F17794D"  
}
```

## ContractCall Tx - Dealer Proposes Game:

```
# secret: 01
# salt: 604af710926e6c9a3fbe5cb21f074a3d0f3107e055adcefca08bc9909f3a28ea

{
  "TransactionType": "ContractCall",
  "Account": "rHb9CJAWyB4rj91VRWn96DkukG4bwdtyTh", # genesis account
  "ContractID": "BEF51CFD39116BED736B91C943FE03338152B3CEF00E917D789CA29C8F17794D",
  "ContractOpt": "1",
  "ContractParams": "d1b848f4316e48099a98470aa759aceee3a1921e79148c051bb576660c71d02d"
} # signed with masterpassphrase                               sha256(secret||salt)
```

ContractOpt is an efficient, numerical parameter that any ContractCall can take





Game State SmartObject (updated by previous contract call):

# owned by dealer (still)

```
{
  "Account": "rHb9CJAWyB4rj91VRWn96DkukG4bwdtyTh",
  "ContractID": "BEF51CFD39116BED736B91C943FE03338152B3CEF00E917D789CA29C8F17794D",
  "SmartObjectData":
    "d1b848f4316e48099a98470aa759aceee3a1921e79148c051bb576660c71d02d010000004AA72831749B0AA
D3D2D0CF32E128BD8DB3B9D4B00C74E0F01000000000E1F505000000000",
  "SmartObjectID": "96253C9B267278412F633CACA9B5733BACD6FF68E76674E5EFDBFC5787051BEB"
}
      player160          player_entry8      player_bet64
```

```
SmartObjectData: { commit256, accepted8, timestamp32,
                   player160, player_entry8, player_bet64 }
```

## ContractCall Tx - Dealer Reveals Secret & Salt:

```
# secret: 01
# salt: 604af710926e6c9a3fbe5cb21f074a3d0f3107e055adcefca08bc9909f3a28ea

{
  "TransactionType": "ContractCall",
  "Account": "rHb9CJAWyB4rj91VRWn96DkukG4bwdtyTh",
  "ContractID": "BEF51CFD39116BED736B91C943FE03338152B3CEF00E917D789CA29C8F17794D",
  "ContractOpt": "3",
  "ContractParams":
    "96253C9B267278412F633CACA9B5733BACD6FF68E76674E5EFDBFC5787051BEB01604af710926e6c9a3fbe5
cb21f074a3d0f3107e055adcefca08bc9909f3a28ea"
} # signed with masterpassphrase
```

Game ID

revealed secret

revealed salt

**Outcome:** Since dealer and player submitted same entry, player wins 200 XRP 🎉

## Game State SmartObject:

# owned by dealer

```
{  
  "Account": "pkCJAWyB4rj91VRWn96Dku...hwdtyT...",  
  "Contract": "BEF51CFD39116BED736B91C9...338152B3CEF00E917D789CA29C...794D",  
  "SmartObjectData":  
    "d1b848...16e480...8470aa759aceee3a19...79148cc...b576660c71d02d0100...04AA728...49B0AA  
    D3D2F...F32E128BD8DB3...4B00C74E0F01...00000E1F50500...000",  
  "SmartObjectID": "9623...B26727...12F633CACA9B5733BACD...568E76...E5EFDBFC5787051BEB"  
}
```

**Game State SmartObject is REMOVED**

## **What if a crooked dealer doesn't reveal their secret & salt?**

The timestamp saved when player accepts the game allows the player to claim all staked funds after 24 hours (win case)!

*(also part of the smart contract, not a built-in feature)*

# Goals Achieved?

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# Potential Future Work

- Move smart contracts to pseudo-accounts (XLS-0064)
- Allow owner to delete contract if contract balance is empty
- Separate fees for different options/functions of a contract (derived from worst-case performance of each one)
- Allow inter-contract interaction e.g. via shared SmartObjects or cross-contract function imports

Hope you enjoyed  
my presentation!



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