

Reflections on Blockchain Security

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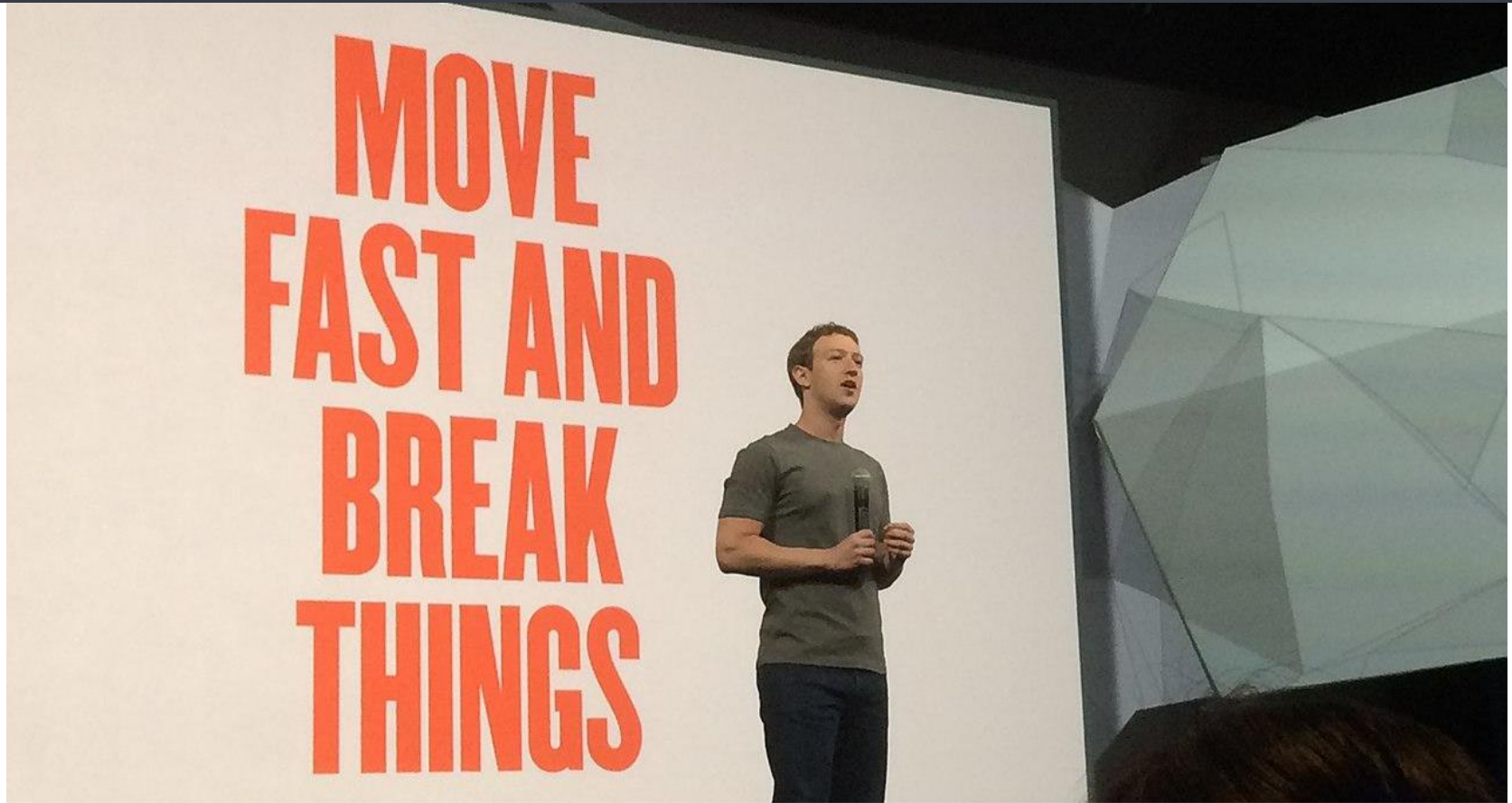


What are Smart Contracts?

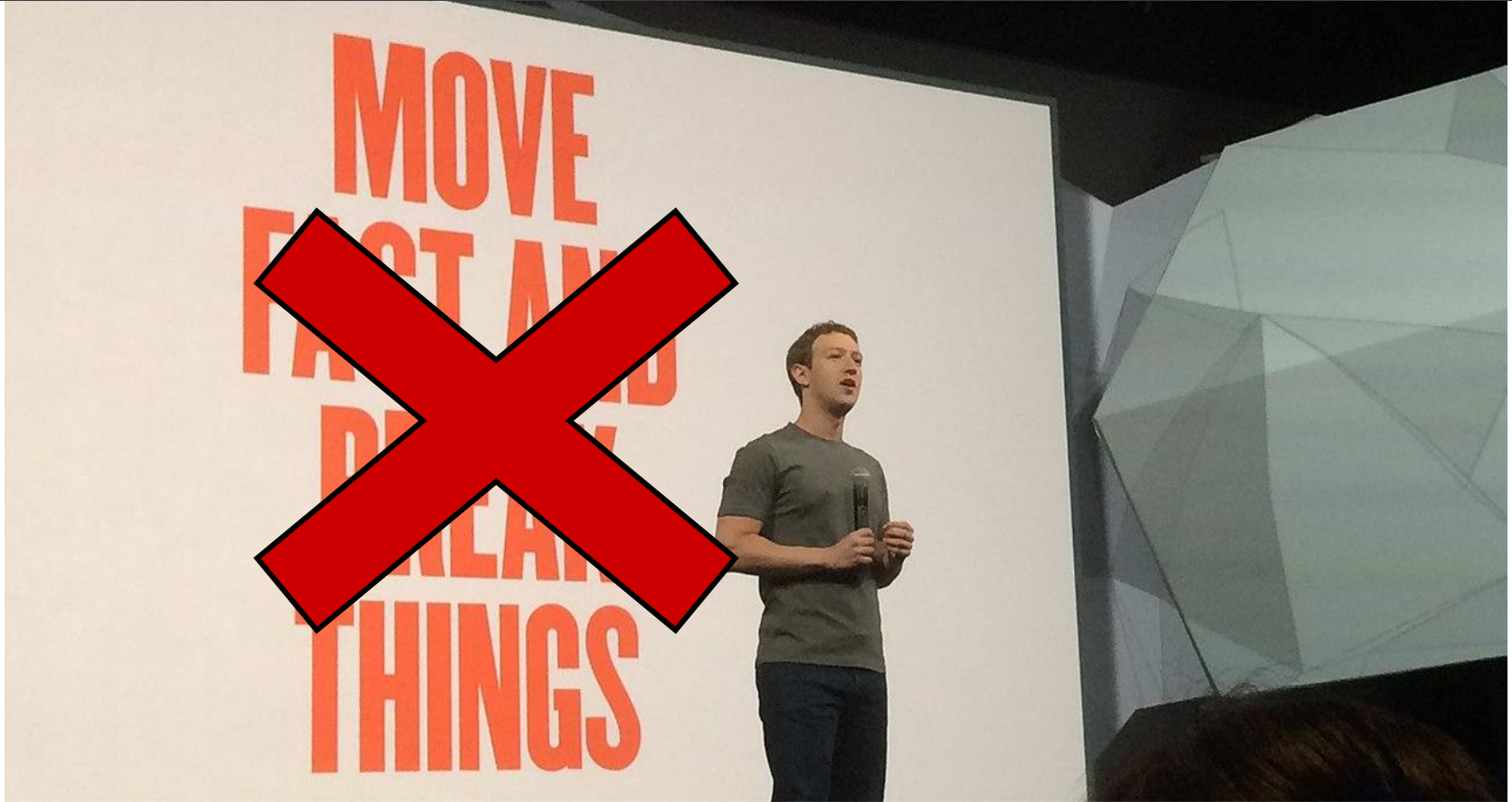
- Public and immutable programs
- Hold and transfer value
- Over 250 million USD worth of assets lost or stolen

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1. function withdraw() {  
2.     if (balances[msg.sender] > 0  
3.         && bankBalance > 0){  
4.         msg.sender.call.value(balances[msg.sender])  
5.         bankBalance -= balances[msg.sender];  
6.         balances[msg.sender] = 0;  
7.     }  
8. }
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Traditional Web Development

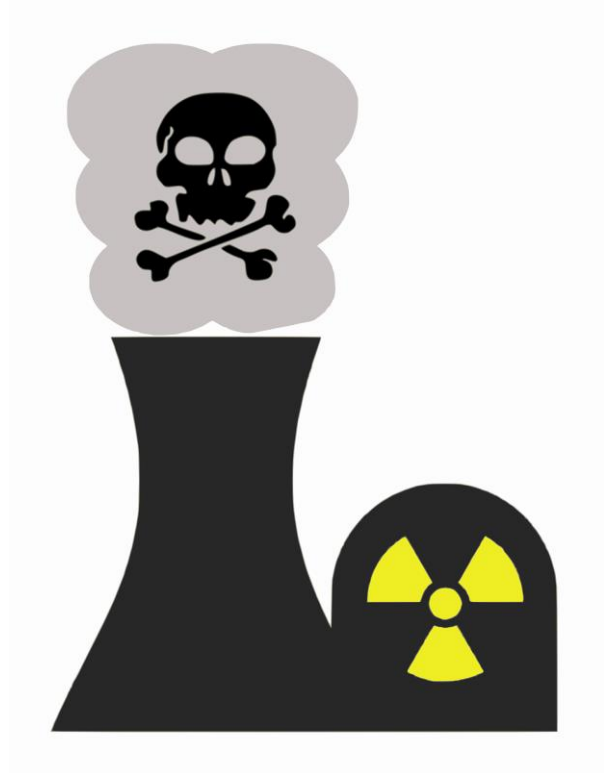


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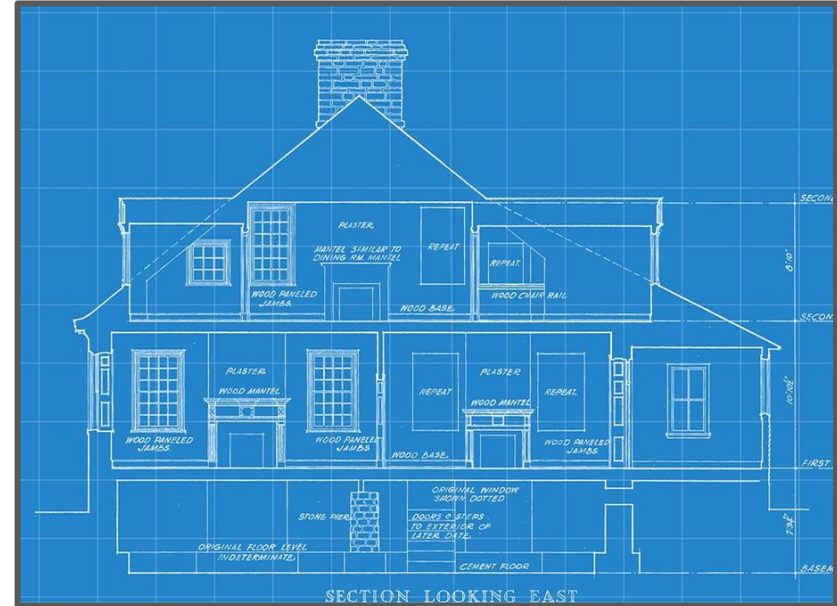
Safety and Security Critical Workflow

- Safety and security critical workflow
 - Aviation
 - Nuclear power plants
 - Gov defense organizations
- What does this mean for smart contract development?



New Design Choices

- Gas efficiency
- Privacy level
- Privileged access vs. decentralization
- Mechanism design
- Oracles



Implementation and Testing

- Value simplicity
- Use tested patterns
- Write clear documentation
- 100% test coverage
- Use static analysis tools
- Get an external audit



Getting an External Audit with Quantstamp

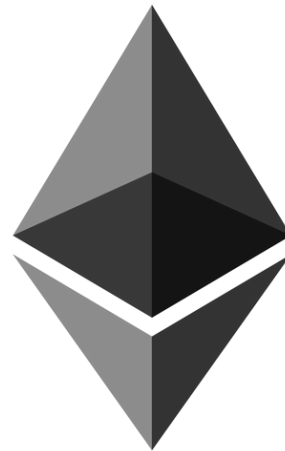
The process:

- Code freeze
- Send clear documentation
- Receive initial report
- Respond with fixes
- Receive an audit certificate.



Paying Attention to Future Developments

- ETH 2.0
- Layer 2 developments
- eWasm
- Privacy solutions
- Generating randomness



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Questions?



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