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Lab Exercise Guide

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## Introduction

In this lab, students will have the opportunity to become familiar with SubQuery with some hands-on experience creating a SubQuery project to list all transactions for a given address. This project will use the subql CLI to create an empty project shell, and then code will be provided to query Polkadot mainnet. A Docker environment will be used to run this example for simplicity.

## Pre-requisites

You will require the following:

- NPM package manager
- SubQuery CLI (@subql/cli)
- Docker

## Package manager

Run the following command in your terminal to install the latest version of node. Node v12 or higher is required.

```
brew update
brew install node
node -v
v18.2.0
```

## SubQuery CLI

Install the latest version of the subql cli:

```
npm install -g @subql/cli
subql -v
@subql/cli/1.0.1 darwin-x64 node-v18.2.0
```

## Docker

Please visit <https://docs.docker.com/get-docker/> for instructions on how to install Docker for your specific operating system.

# Exercise 1: Listing all transactions for a given address

## High level steps

1. Initialise a project
2. Define the shape of your data
3. Update your manifest file
4. Write your mapping handler
5. Generate, build and deploy your code
6. Run a query

## Detailed steps

### Step 1: Initialise your project

The first step in creating a SubQuery project is to create a project with the following command:

```
$ subql init
Project name [subql-starter]: subql-list-transactions
? Select a network family Substrate
? Select a network Polkadot
? Select a template project subql-starter Starter project for
subquery
RPC endpoint: [wss://polkadot.api.onfinality.io/public-ws]:
Git repository [https://github.com/subquery/subql-starter]:
Fetching network genesis hash... done
Author [Ian He & Jay Ji]: Sean
Description [This project can be use as a starting po...]:
Version [1.0.0]:
License [MIT]:
Preparing project... done
subql-list-transactions is ready
```

Note that any text in the square brackets are the default values that will be used if nothing is provided.

This creates a directory scaffold saving you time.

## Step 2: Defining the “shape” of our data

Here we want to create a single entity - Transfer.

We design the Transfer entity to contain the amount, and the to and from address.

```
type Transfer @entity {
  id: ID!
  amount: BigInt
  blockNumber: BigInt
  to: String!
  from: String!
}
```

## Step 3: Update the manifest file (aka project.yaml)

The initialisation command also pre-creates a sample manifest file and defines 3 handlers. Copy the paste the manifest file from below.

```
specVersion: 1.0.0
name: subql-list-transactions
version: 1.0.0
runner:
  node:
    name: '@subql/node'
    version: '>=1.0.0'
  query:
    name: '@subql/query'
    version: '*'
description: >-
  This project can be use as a starting point for developing your
  SubQuery
  project
repository: 'https://github.com/subquery/subql-starter'
schema:
  file: ./schema.graphql
network:
  chainId:
    '0x91b171bb158e2d3848fa23a9f1c25182fb8e20313b2c1eb49219da7a70ce90c3'
  endpoint: 'wss://polkadot.api.onfinality.io/public-ws'
  dictionary:
    'https://api.subquery.network/sq/subquery/polkadot-dictionary'
dataSources:
  - kind: substrate/Runtime
    startBlock: 1
    mapping:
```

```
file: ./dist/index.js
handlers:
  - handler: handleTransfer
    kind: substrate/EventHandler
    filter:
      module: balances
      method: Transfer
```

Here we keep the event handler and the filter as well.

#### Step 4: Write your mappings file

Copy the code from below to your mappingHandler.ts file.

```
import {SubstrateEvent} from "@subql/types";
import {Transfer} from "../types";
import {Balance} from "@polkadot/types/interfaces";

export async function handleTransfer(event: SubstrateEvent):
Promise<void> {
  // Get data from the event
  // The balances.transfer event has the following payload \[from, to,
value\]
  const from = event.event.data[0];
  const to = event.event.data[1];
  const amount = event.event.data[2];

  // Create the new transfer entity
  const transfer = new Transfer(
    `${event.block.block.header.number.toNumber()}-${event.idx}`,
  );
  transfer.blockNumber = event.block.block.header.number.toBigInt();
  transfer.from = from.toString();
  transfer.to = to.toString();
  transfer.amount = (amount as Balance).toBigInt();
  await transfer.save();
}
```

## Step 5: Generate, build and deploy

Run the following commands:

```
yarn install
yarn codegen
yarn build
Docker-compose pull && docker-compose up
```

## Step 6: Run a query

Run the following query:

```
query {
  transfers (first:3 orderBy: AMOUNT_DESC ) {
    nodes {
      id,
      to,
      from,
      amount,
      blockNumber
    }
  }
}
```

You should get the following results:

```
{
  "data": {
    "transfers": {
      "nodes": [
        {
          "id": "645657-4",
          "to": "13SkL2uACPqBzpKBh3d2n5msYNFB2QapA5vEDeKeLjG2LS3Y",
          "from": "13yk62yQYctYsRPXDFvC5WzBtanAsHDasenooLAXvf5bNkK",
          "amount": "10200000000000000",
          "blockNumber": "645657"
        },
        {
          "id": "645697-3",
          "to": "13SkL2uACPqBzpKBh3d2n5msYNFB2QapA5vEDeKeLjG2LS3Y",
          "from": "12WLDL2AXoH3Mhr1xj8K4m9rCcRKSWKUz8A4mX3ah5khJBn",
          "amount": "9900000000000000",

```

```
    "blockNumber": "645697"
  },
  {
    "id": "303284-59",
    "to": "1vTfju3zruADh7sbBznxWCpircNp9ErzJaPQZKyrUknApRu",
    "from": "15j4dg5GzsL1bw2U2AWgeyAk6QTxq43V7ZPbXdAmbVLjvDCK",
    "amount": "9000000000000000",
    "blockNumber": "303284"
  }
]
}
}
```

This allows us to see that address “13SkL2uACPqBzpKBh3d2n5msYNFB2QapA5vEDEKeLjG2LS3Y” has received 2 transactions of 102,000 and 99,000. Using this address, let’s query for all amounts at this address:

```
query {
  transfers (filter: {to:
{in:"13SkL2uACPqBzpKBh3d2n5msYNFB2QapA5vEDEKeLjG2LS3Y"}}){
    nodes {
      id,
      to,
      from,
      amount,
      blockNumber
    }
  }
}
```

Below we can see 2 transactions at the above address.

```
{
  "data": {
    "transfers": {
      "nodes": [
        {
          "id": "645657-4",
          "to": "13SkL2uACPqBzpKBh3d2n5msYNFB2QapA5vEDEKeLjG2LS3Y",
          "from": "13yk62yQYctYsRPXDFvC5WzBtanAsHDasenooLAXkvf5bNkK",
          "amount": "10200000000000000",
          "blockNumber": "645657"
        }
      ]
    }
  }
}
```



```

    },
    {
      "id": "645697-3",
      "to": "13SkL2uACPqBzpKBh3d2n5msYNFB2QapA5vEDeKeLjG2LS3Y",
      "from": "12WLDL2AXoH3MHR1xj8K4m9rCcRKSWKTUz8A4mX3ah5khJBn",
      "amount": "9900000000000000",
      "blockNumber": "645697"
    }
  ]
}
}
}
}

```

Cross check with Polkadot subscan:

<https://polkadot.subscan.io/block/645657?tab=event>

Block#645657

Search

<b>Timestamp</b>	2020-07-10 15:11:06 (+UTC)
<b>Status</b>	<span style="color: green;">✔</span> Finalized
<b>Hash</b>	0xfea9e02430a82a54267f12576ca3cad73037571fb117775769d8bf280965002d <span style="color: red;">P</span>
<b>Parent Hash</b>	0x7636bbb07ab3bd9592fe973cc9f242498ddacc0c4663289f1c8e000c5160a640
<b>State Root</b>	0x3cf50d70d101c09d433767d7eb77f3cd8e5e8824eff665931efade552ecf2b72
<b>Extrinsics Root</b>	0x4afa66f5814b633bb6eb5cebdc5fae35394816c22d90ddaa489d8a671990cf9e
<b>Validators</b>	12RVY2KvBCyBuKXNEpjqWVFaePhURwubBXqcyXKsEKdhujG <span style="color: red;">P</span>
<b>Block Time</b>	424 days 13 hrs ago
<b>Spec Version</b>	13

Extrinsics (4)
Events (6)
Log (2)
Comment
View All

Event ID	Hash	Action	
645657-3	0xd6f5e....0a532	system(KilledAccount)	>
645657-4	0xd6f5e....0a532	balances(Transfer)	v

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Docs	Transfer succeeded. \{from, to, value\}
Accountid	13yk62yQYctYsRPXDFvC5WzBtanAsHDasenoolAxKvF5bNKK <span style="color: red;">P</span>
Accountid	13SkL2uACPqBzpKBh3d2n5msYNFB2QapA5vEDeKeLjG2LS3Y <span style="color: red;">P</span>
Balance	102,000