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# **Solidity Domain for Sphinx Documentation**

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# CHAPTER 1

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## Installation

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This package provides a Solidity domain for Sphinx, as well as source aut documenting functionality. Install this package via pip:

```
pip install sphinxcontrib-soliditydomain
```

and add it to your Sphinx configuration file:

```
extensions = [  
    # ...,  
    'sphinxcontrib.soliditydomain',  
]
```

If the `autodoc` features of this package are desired, be sure that the `sphinx.ext.autodoc` extension is also enabled:

```
extensions = [  
    # ...,  
    'sphinx.ext.autodoc',  
    'sphinxcontrib.soliditydomain',  
]
```

**Warning:** This package was written in Python 3 and **will not** work in Python 2.

If you are using Read the Docs, be sure to set the *Python interpreter* used for the project to the CPython 3.x interpreter. This setting may be found in the *Admin > Advanced Settings* menu.



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## Formatting Solidity Elements

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```
.. sol:contract:: Name is Parent1, Parent2, ...  
.. sol:interface:: Name is Parent1, Parent2, ...  
.. sol:library:: Name
```

These directives describe top-level Solidity objects. The following:

```
.. sol:library:: SafeMath  
  
Provides arithmetic operations guarded against overflow
```

renders as

```
library SafeMath  
Provides arithmetic operations guarded against overflow
```

Likewise, the following:

```
.. sol:contract:: MintableBurnableToken is MintableToken, StandardBurnableToken  
  
A token which can both be minted and burnt.
```

renders as

```
contract MintableBurnableToken is MintableToken, StandardBurnableToken  
A token which can both be minted and burnt.
```

```
.. sol:statevar:: type visibility name  
State variables in Solidity:
```

```
.. sol:statevar:: int128 public widgetSocket  
  
A socket for a widget.
```

yields

```
int128 public widgetSocket  
A socket for a widget.
```

Visibility modifiers are optional and include the following:

- `public`
- `private`
- `internal`

.. **sol:constructor::** (type mod arg1, type mod arg2, ...) mod1 mod2 ...  
Constructors for contracts. May be used in the context of a `sol:contract` directive. For example,

```
.. sol:contract:: FooFactory

    Produces instances of Foo.

    .. sol:constructor:: (uint a, int b, bytes32 c) public restrictedTo(a)

        Creates a FooFactory, initializing with supplied parameters.
```

yields

*contract* **FooFactory**

Produces instances of Foo.

**constructor** (uint a, int b, bytes32 c)

*public*

Creates a FooFactory, initializing the new instance with supplied parameters.

.. **sol:function::** name(type mod arg1, ...) mod1 ... returns (type r1, ...)  
Solidity functions. May be used in the context of a `sol:contract`, `sol:library`, or `sol:interface` directive. For example,

```
.. sol:interface:: ERC20

    .. sol:function:: balanceOf(address tokenOwner) \
        public constant returns (uint balance)

    Get the token balance for account ``tokenOwner``.
```

yields

*interface* **ERC20**

*function* **balanceOf** (address tokenOwner)

*public*

Get the token balance for account tokenOwner.

.. **sol:modifier::** name(type mod arg1, ...)  
Solidity function modifiers. For example:

```
.. sol:contract:: Ownable

    .. sol:modifier:: onlyOwner()

        Throws if called by any account other than the owner.
```

yields

*contract* **Ownable**

*modifier* **onlyOwner** ()

Throws if called by any account other than the owner.

.. **sol:event::** name(type mod arg1, ...)

Solidity events. For example:

```
.. sol:contract:: RefundVault is Ownable

    .. sol:event:: Refunded(address indexed beneficiary, uint256 weiAmount)

        Emitted when ``weiAmount`` gets refunded to a ``beneficiary``.
```

yields

*contract* **RefundVault** is Ownable

*event* **Refunded** (address indexed beneficiary, uint256 weiAmount)

Emitted when weiAmount gets refunded to a beneficiary.

.. **sol:struct::** Name

Solidity structs. Members of the struct are represented by a member field. For example:

```
.. sol:struct:: DreamMachine

    Some archetypical madness.

    :member uint widget: Funky lil' widget.
    :member FunkUtils.Orientation orientation: Which way the machine is pointing.
    :member typelessThing: Type information is optional.
```

yields

*struct* **DreamMachine**

Some archetypical madness.

#### Members

- **widget** (*uint*) – Funky lil' widget.
- **orientation** (*FunkUtils.Orientation*) – Which way the machine is pointing.
- **typelessThing** – Type information is optional.

.. **sol:enum::** Name

Solidity enum definitions. Like *struct*, members are represented by a member field, but for enums, this field is typeless. For example:

```
.. sol:enum:: Direction

    Which way to go.

    :member North: Where Santa's at.
    :member South: Where penguins're at.
    :member East: Get tricky.
    :member West: Get funky.
```

yields

*enum* **Direction**

Which way to go.

### Members

- **North** – Where Santa’s at.
- **South** – Where penguins’re at.
- **East** – Get tricky.
- **West** – Get funky.

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## Automatic Documentation Generation from Solidity Source

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### 3.1 Configuration

By default, `sphinxcontrib.soliditydomain` assumes that associated Solidity source files may be found in the directory `../contracts` relative to the root of the Sphinx project:

```
.           # project root
├── docs/    # root of the Sphinx project
├── contracts/ # root of all contracts
└── ...
```

This may be changed with the following configuration variable:

#### **`autodoc_lookup_path`**

A path to Solidity files to be indexed for autodocumentation purposes. By default, this is `../contracts` relative to the documentation directory.

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**Note:** `sphinxcontrib.soliditydomain` will crawl the contract lookup directory, collecting `.sol` files, parsing the source content with an [ANTLR 4](#) parser using [this Solidity grammar definition](#), and building a database of Solidity language objects for which the documentation tool will be able to automatically generate documentation.

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**Note:** If a Solidity source file cannot be parsed by this package, a warning will be issued and the Sphinx build will continue trying to build the rest of the documentation.

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### 3.2 Autodoc Directives By Example

All of the formatting directives admit corresponding autodocumentation directives accessible by prepending `autosol` to the formatting directive name.

Let's suppose that the following code is found in a Solidity source file:

```
pragma solidity ^0.4.24;

library DaHood {
    enum Coast { East, West }
}

/// @title A simulator for Bug Bunny, the most famous Rabbit
/// @author Warned Bros
contract BugBunny {

    /// Hash of a carrot. You can use triple forward slashes (`///`)
    /// to have Solidity Domain pull the docs out of the comment.
    /**
     * Comment blocks starting with `/**` will also be added to documentation.
     * These blocks may be framed with a preceding `*` on each line.
     */
    bytes32 public carrotHash;
    mapping (address => mapping (uint => bool)) public ballerz;

    event Consumption(address indexed feeder, string food);
    event Consumption(address indexed payer, uint amount);

    /// Doxygen-style tags on events currently unsupported by devdocs
    /// but will work here.
    /// @param coast The original beef.
    event AnonEvent(DaHood.Coast coast) anonymous;

    /// Constructor for BugBunny. Note that solc doesn't parse
    /// Doxygen-style devdocs for these, but this is supported
    /// in this plugin.
    /// @param carrot Eh... what's up, doc?
    constructor(string carrot) public {
        carrotHash = keccak256(abi.encodePacked(carrot));
    }

    /// @author Birb Lampkett
    /// @notice Determine if Bug will accept `_food` to eat
    /// @dev String comparison may be inefficient
    /// @param _food The name of a food to evaluate (English)
    /// @return true if Bug will eat it, false otherwise
    function doesEat(string _food) public view returns (bool) {
        return keccak256(abi.encodePacked(_food)) == carrotHash;
    }

    /// @author Funk Master
    /// @dev Magic funk machine wow.
    /// @param _food The name of a food to eat
    /// @return {
    ///     "eaten": "true if Bug will eat it, false otherwise",
    ///     "hash": "hash of the food to eat"
    /// }
    function eat(string _food) public returns (bool eaten, bytes32 hash) {
        eaten = doesEat(_food);
        hash = keccak256(abi.encodePacked(_food));
        if(eaten) {
            emit Consumption(msg.sender, _food);
        }
    }
}
```

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```

    }
}

/// @notice Bug will eat either `food1` or `food2`
/// @dev Raw stuff.
/// @param food1 The name of first food to try
/// @param food2 The name of second food to try
/// @return {
///     "eaten": "true if Bug ate, false otherwise",
///     "hash": "hash of the food eaten"
/// }
function eat(string food1, string food2) external returns (bool eaten, bytes32_
↪hash) {
    if(doesEat(food1)) {
        (eaten, hash) = eat(food1);
    } else {
        (eaten, hash) = eat(food2);
    }
}

// tags on fallback functions currently not supported by devdocs
function() external payable {
    emit Consumption(msg.sender, msg.value);
    ballerz[msg.sender][msg.value] = true;
}
}

```

The following directives may be used:

- .. **autosolcontract**:: Name
- .. **autosollibrary**:: Name
- .. **autosolinterface**:: Name

These directive require the targetted object's name and will render to a corresponding `sol:contract`, `sol:library`, or `sol:interface` block. The following ReST:

```
.. autosolcontract:: BugBunny
```

will render like so:

```
contract BugBunny
```

**Title** A simulator for Bug Bunny, the most famous Rabbit

**Author** Warned Bros

Furthermore, the `:noindex:`, `:members:` and `:exclude-members:` options may be used as expected, with

```
.. autosolcontract:: BugBunny
   :noindex:
   :members: doesEat, constructor
```

yielding

```
contract BugBunny
```

**Title** A simulator for Bug Bunny, the most famous Rabbit

**Author** Warned Bros

**constructor** (*string carrot*) *public*  
Constructor for BugBunny. Note that solc doesn't parse Doxygen-style devdocs for these, but this is supported in this plugin.

**Parameters**

- **carrot** – Eh... what's up, doc?

*function* **doesEat** (*string \_food*) *public*

String comparison may be inefficient

**Author** Birb Lampkett

**Notice** Determine if Bug will accept *\_food* to eat

**Parameters**

- **\_food** – The name of a food to evaluate (English)

**Return** true if Bug will eat it, false otherwise

and

```
.. autosolcontract:: BugBunny
   :noindex:
   :members:
   :exclude-members: ballerz, Consumption, eat, doesEat, <fallback>
```

yielding

*contract* **BugBunny**

**Title** A simulator for Bug Bunny, the most famous Rabbit

**Author** Warned Bros

bytes32 *public* **carrotHash**

Hash of a carrot. You can use triple forward slashes (///) to have Solidity Domain pull the docs out of the comment.

Comment blocks starting with /\*\* will also be added to documentation. These blocks may be framed with a preceding \* on each line.

*event* **AnonEvent** (*DaHood.Coast coast*) *anonymous*

Doxygen-style tags on events currently unsupported by devdocs but will work here.

**Parameters**

- **coast** – The original beef.

**constructor** (*string carrot*) *public*

Constructor for BugBunny. Note that solc doesn't parse Doxygen-style devdocs for these, but this is supported in this plugin.

**Parameters**

- **carrot** – Eh... what's up, doc?

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**Note:** Contract members will appear in the order they were indexed by the Solidity source crawler.

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## Cross Referencing Solidity Objects

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```
:sol:contract:  
:sol:lib:  
:sol:interface:  
:sol:svar:  
:sol:cons:  
:sol:func:  
:sol:mod:  
:sol:event:  
:sol:struct:  
:sol:enum:
```

These roles aid in cross referencing Solidity objects in the same project. For example,

```
:sol:func:`balanceOf`
```

will render as *balanceOf*, which will link to where in the documentation this function has been documented. Likewise, autodoc generated documentation can be cross-referenced as well. For example,

```
:sol:contract:`BugBunny`
```

will refer to the *BugBunny* documentation which has been indexed.

Using the `:noindex:` option will prevent a Solidity object description from being cross-referenced.



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