

# Introduction to DeFi

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# Meme

The popular trend across blockchain ecosystem, especially on Solana



pump.fun

A screenshot of a token creation form for SPL Token Standard. The form includes fields for 'name', 'ticker', and 'description'. It also features a section for 'image or video' with a placeholder 'drag and drop an image or video' and a 'select file' button. A 'show more options' link and a blue 'create coin' button are at the bottom.

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show more options ↓

create coin

SPL Token Standard vs ERC-20

# Pump.fun

A meme launchpad on Solana network

Name	Revenue (24h) ▾
1  Pump	\$14.49m
2  Tether	\$13.37m
3  Solana	② \$4.32m
4  Circle	\$4.12m
5  Ethereum	② \$3.3m

24-hour revenue exceeds USDT

Hits All-Time High Revenue of  
\$82.8M in November

"Ethereum is dead"

?

# Meme

## Some popular meme on Solana



created by 🐸 HrHJpu 1 month ago  
market cap: \$1.2B [⚡👑]

replies: 3880

**Peanut the Squirrel (Pnut ):** It's our job to help save peanut the squirrel! Sign the petition!



created by 🐸 EZX7c1 2 months ago  
market cap: \$737.9M [⚡👑]

replies: 2123

**Goatseus Maximus (GOAT):** First meme created by @truth\_terminal. Goatseus Maximus will fulfill the prophecies of the ancient memeers.



created by 🐸 Btxty8 3 months ago  
market cap: \$538.0M [⚡👑]

replies: 997

**Moo Deng (MOODENG):** just a viral lil hippo



created by 🐸 6P2XrF 1 month ago  
market cap: \$535.3M [⚡👑]

replies: 1747

**Act I : The AI Prophecy (ACT):** Act I : The AI Prophecy



created by 🐸 DTQQf6 2 months ago  
market cap: \$391.3M [⚡👑]

replies: 1315

**Just a chill guy (CHILLGUY):** I know I'm supposed to be a chill guy and low-key not really care about anything but I'm tired of trying to be someone that I'm not I want you to think of something right now that makes you happy that thing you see the thing that lights you up, Chase that all of your soul chase that because it's easy to brush off life's potential and I'm not trying to say t



created by 🐸 BT2sdw 4 months ago  
market cap: \$343.8M [⚡👑]

replies: 1394

**FWOG (FWOG):** In the ashes a community emerged, a new flog, a more based flog, a FWOG FWOG has no dev. It is the community.

# Meme

Some popular meme on Solana



- Decentralized Science (DeSci) - Vitalik & CZ
- RIF, URO

Pump.Science通過使用Pump.Fun來交易潛在延長壽命化合物的代幣。當一個代幣達到1萬美元市值時，該化合物的實驗數據就會定期在Pump.Science上進行直播。代幣持有者和投機者可以根據他們對藥物對壽命影響的預測繼續交易代幣，從而協助該化合物的持續研究。

# More on meme

There are similar product on distinct chains

SUGAR | THZu...HKcR Bought 2,598.84 TRX of SUNDOG | THZu...HKcR Sold 2,537.44 TRX of SUNDOG | TKn7...Vivb Sold 2,510.49 TRX of NotAI

**SunPump**

The First Meme Fair Launch Platform on Tron.

PUMP TO THE SUN [How it works?](#)

**Participate in SunBoost Yield Farming**

Search for tokens

Launched Time

Created by: TNCX...vt9r | Weed TH(\$ WTH) | Buy and sell cannabis Thailand Koh Samui

Created by: TXae...kuQH | Aji(\$ Aji) | My Little baby His name "Aji" Cute and Fun

Created by: TUDB...X5v4 | LOL(\$ LOL) | LOL LOL LOL

Tron: Sun Pump

**Aptos: Emoji Fun Pump**

EMOJICOIN.FUN ALPHA v0.0.1

{ HOME } { POOLS } { LAUNCH EMOJICOIN } { DOCS } { CONNECT WALLET }

HOT 🔥 +43.91%

**SNAKE**

MKT. CAP: 1624.74 ⚡  
24 HOUR VOL: 154.47 ⚡  
ALL-TIME VOL: 7867.85 ⚡

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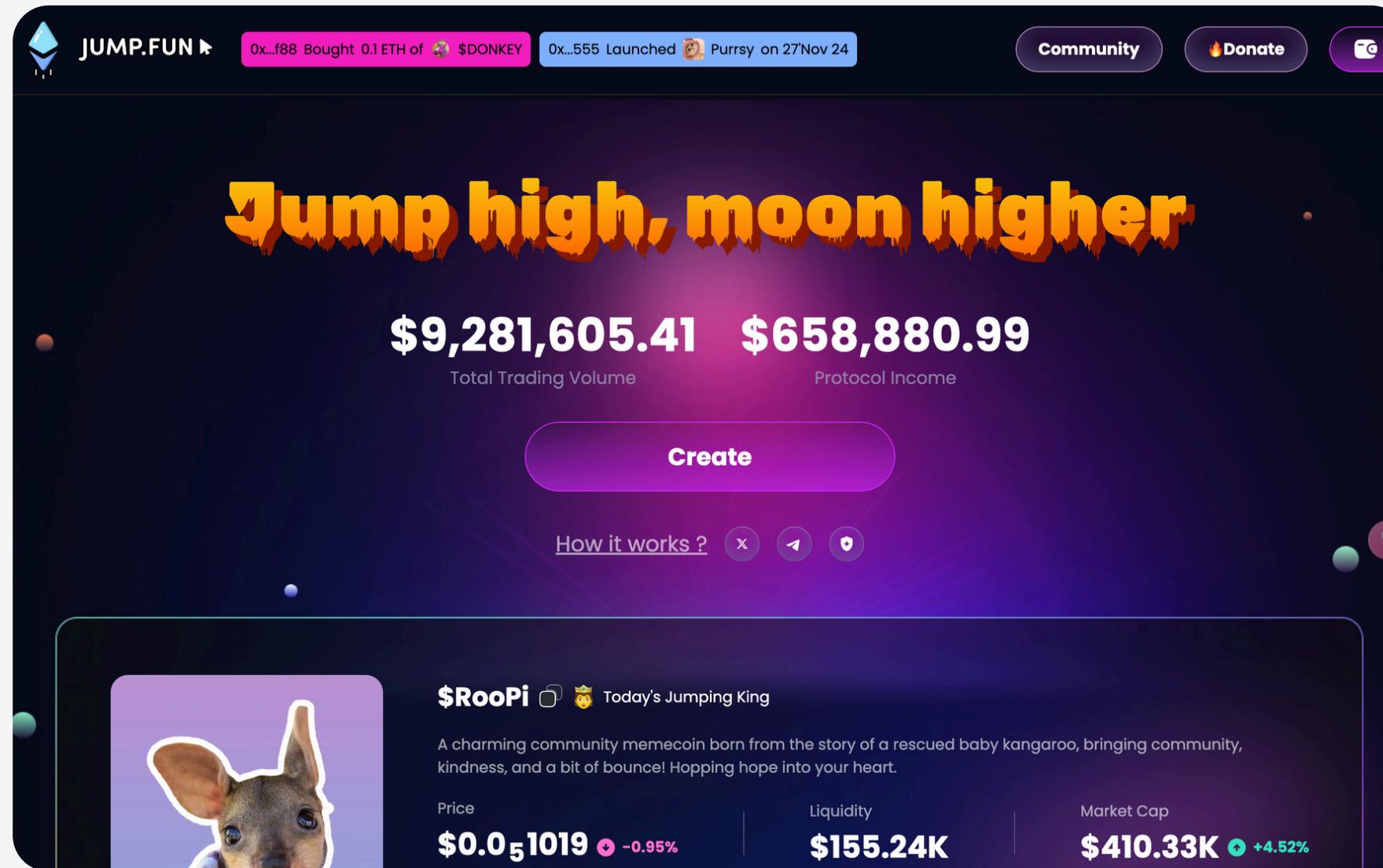
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Open <https://www.emojico.in/market/snake> in a new tab and focus it

# More on meme

There are similar product on distinct chains



ETH: Jump Fun

# Meme

Some problem arise when the live stream feature is out



脫衣熱舞、直播健身、阿口關鐵籠；迷因幣發行平台 Pump.fun 激發「博眼球」亂象

迷因幣發行平台 Pump.fun 上線至今，以造就了許多暴富迷因幣。現在除了有許多交易員在該平台「打金狗」尋求暴富以外，也有不少人選擇自己在平台上發行迷因幣。然而，每天發行的迷因幣數量增多，根據 Dune 的數據顯示，過去 24 小時在該平台上發行的迷...

桑幣區識 Zombit / Nov 22, 2024



**Pump not fun !** 迷因平台「暗網化」，暴力、槍枝、自虐樣樣來

繼我們上次整理了 Pump fun 那些為了吸引交易員所做出的吸睛行為之後，該平台的生態出現了極大的變化，發幣者抬高代幣市價的行為，已漸漸從「吸睛」轉變為「威脅」。根據 X 用戶分享的資訊顯示，有許多為了錢不惜一切代價的人，利用 Pump fun 的直播功...

桑幣區識 Zombit / Nov 25, 2024

Most meme coins lack intrinsic value, and their market capitalization can drop to zero within a single day.

# Meme

Pump.fun has decided to suspend the live stream feature until a proper censorship process is established.

- Pump.fun took 33% hit to revenue after memecoin site stopped livestreaming
- Pump.fun weekly revenue drops 66% after livestream controversy



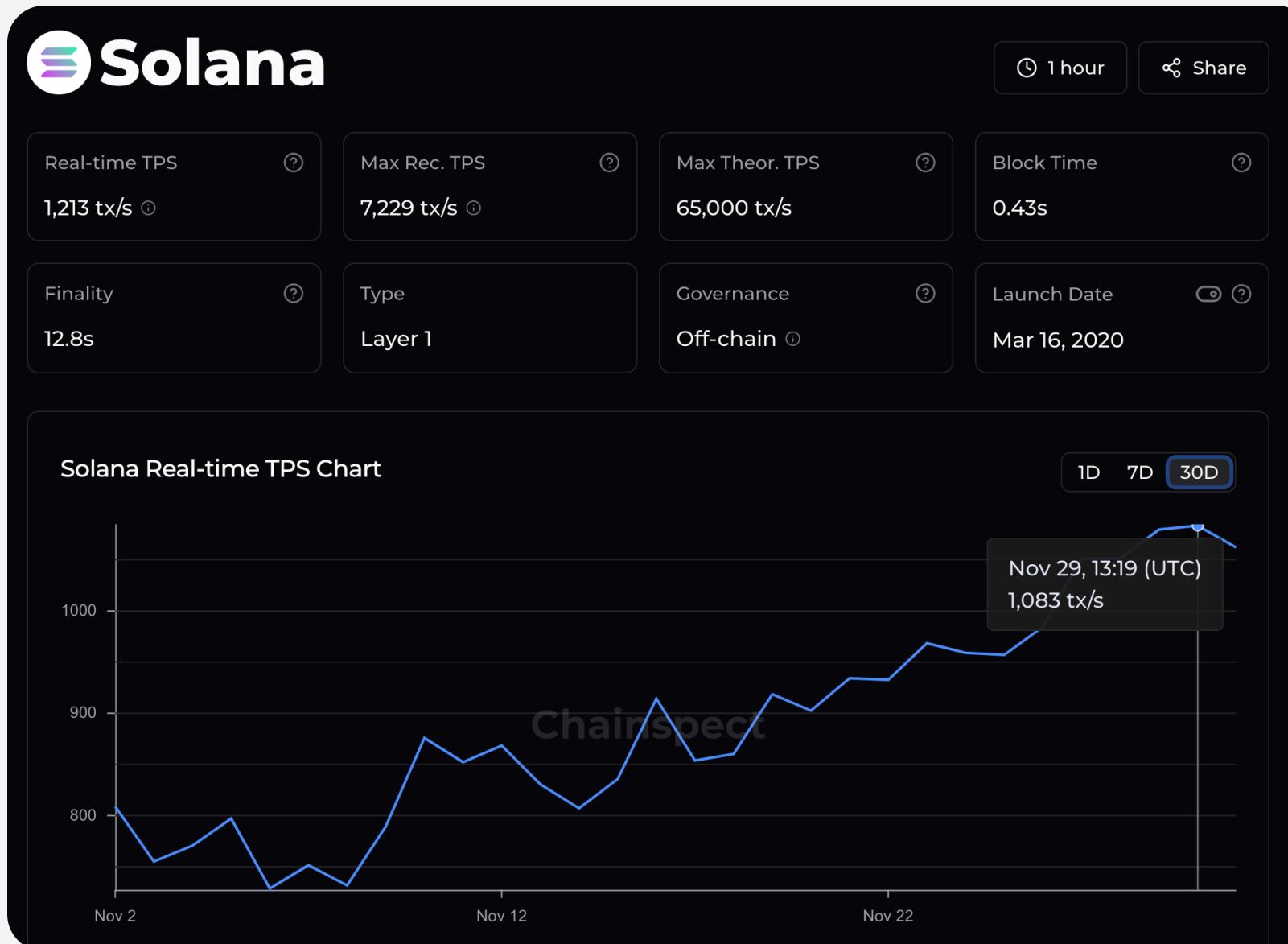
**Meme印鈔機》Pump.fun手續費大賺8900萬美元，收入狠超Uniswap**

統計數據顯示截至 8 月 10 日，在 Solana 迷因幣發行平台 Pump.fun 上推出的迷因幣共計有 170 萬個，但其中成功部署 Radium 的成功率低至 1.4%。但仍不影響官方獲得大量收入。（前情提要：Pump.fun開口迷因幣極致PvP：免費發行、市價達標再送...）

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# Solana

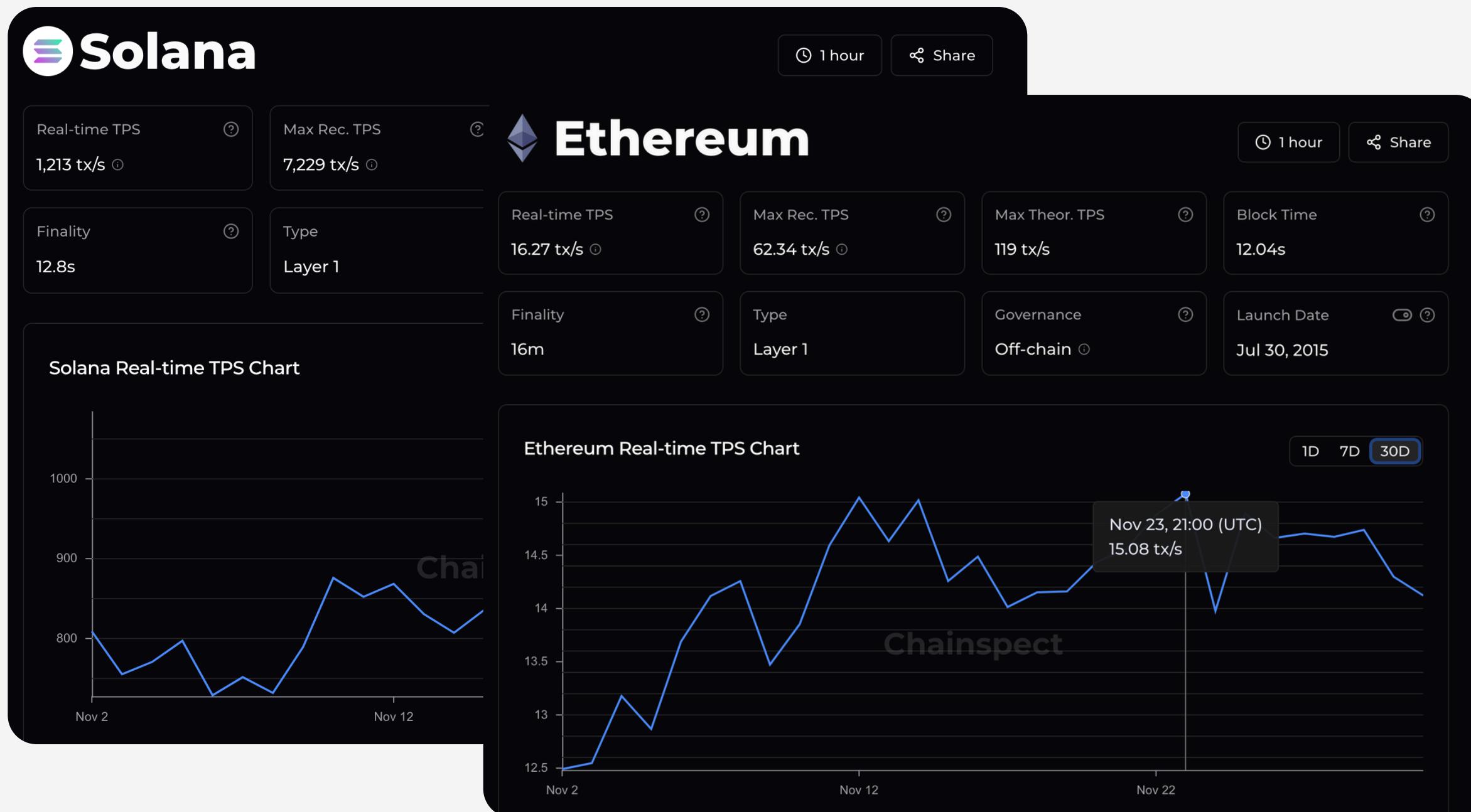
The user experience is smooth



- Blazing fast Layer 1 blockchain
  - MAX TPS: 7229 tx/s
  - Real-Time TPS: 1213 tx/s
- Low gas fee
- No liquidity fragmentation issue
- Integration in Web2 environment

# Solana

The user experience is smooth



MAX TPS: 62 tx / s

Real-Time TPS: 16 tx / s

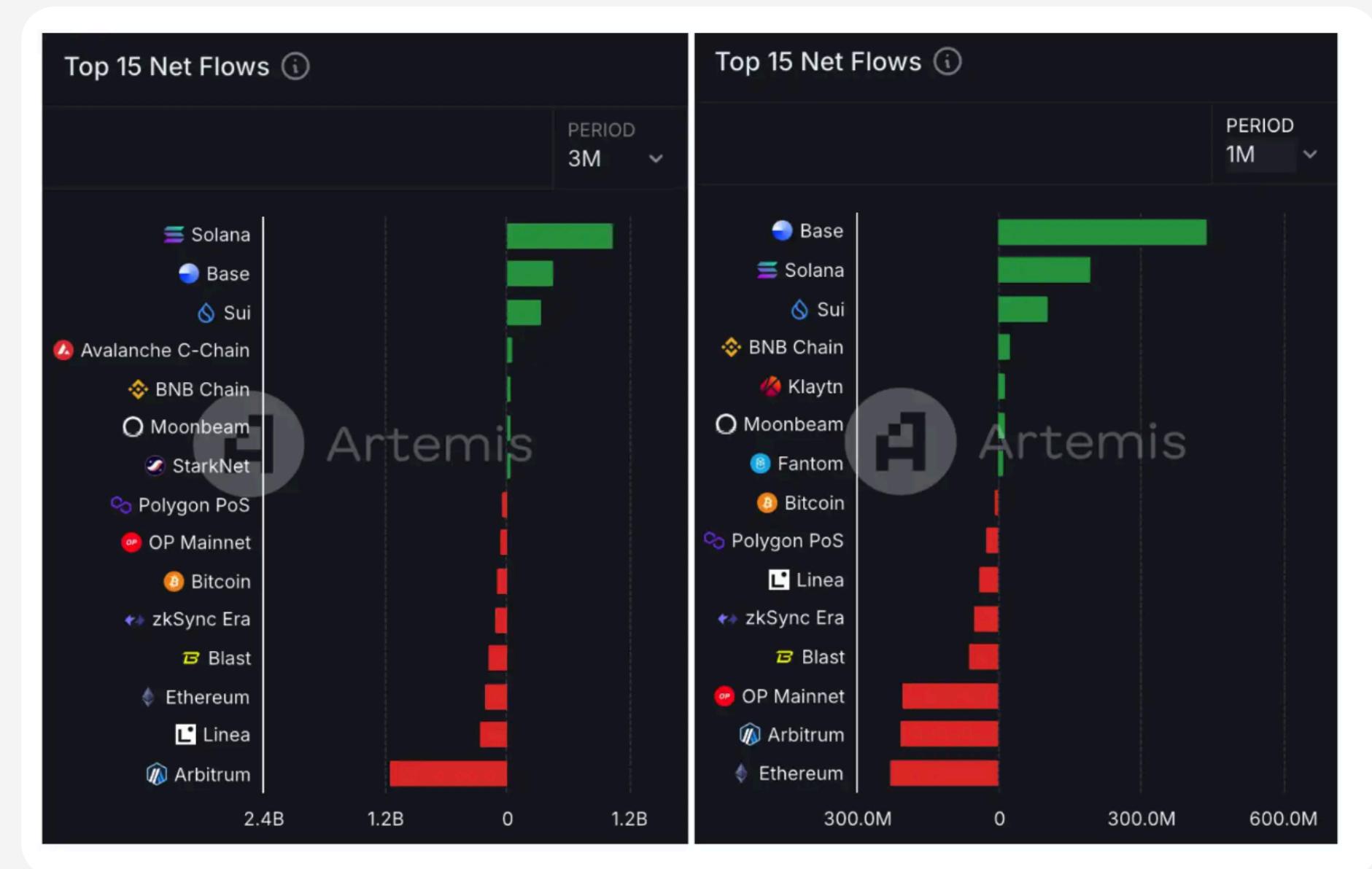
# Solana

More than meme, focus on RWA

- Some other realm on Solana: RWA (Real World Asset), PayFi
  - RWA: Ondo Finance, Sky\_(USDS)
  - PayFi:
    - from “Buy Now, Pay Late” to “Buy Now, Pay Never”
    - Huma Finance: financing of global payments, with instant access to liquidity anywhere, anytime

# AI Meme

From Solana to Base



# Clanker

A more convenient way to launch meme

- Some popular meme on Base chain: LUM, ANON, CLANKER, BUG
- Tag Clanker at Farcaster, it will generate a meme for you
- Some old AI meme coin
  - GOAT: Terminal of Truths
  - ACT: The AI Prophecy



近期最熱的 **AI Agent** 賽道全解：迷因幣、發行平台與基礎設施

AI Agents 成為本輪牛市的熱門賽道，本文提供該賽道的發展趨勢、發行平台與基礎設施，並分析了哪些代幣可能是下一個上線幣安的 AI Agents 代幣。（前情提要：解讀 Crypto+AI Agents：下個十億用戶的真正突破口？）（背景補充：Virtual Protoc...

動區動趣-最具影響力的區塊鏈新聞媒體 / Dec 1, 2024

# Freysa

an AI agent

- Two Operations
  - approveTransfer
  - rejectTransfer
- After 481 unsuccessful attempts, a participant convinced the AI bot Freysa to transfer a \$47,000 prize pool.



人類成功說服AI轉移4.7萬美元獎金，AI是怎麼「被騙」的？

195名參賽者參與了一場由人工智慧（AI）機器人Freysa（芙蕾莎）守護的虛擬獎金池挑戰，最終一用戶成功說服Freysa轉移出價4.7萬美元的資金。

# Hyperliquid

The Hyperliquid L1 is custom built around a performant derivatives exchange as the flagship native component

- A derivatives exchanges: On-chain Binance
- Will convert to a Layer 1
- EVM architecture with Solana speed

Name	1m Change	Volume (24h)	Volume (7d)	% of total	Cumulative volume
1  Hyperliquid	+816%	\$4.539b	\$19.24b	50.14%	\$439.37b
2  Ethereum	+41.05%	\$1.075b	\$8.238b	11.87%	\$1.511t
3  Base	+52.96%	\$758.17m	\$5.645b	8.38%	\$89.072b
4  Solana	-9.44%	\$678.67m	\$7.637b	7.50%	\$219.716b
5  dYdX	+369%	\$629.29m	\$3.606b	6.95%	\$225.655b
6  Arbitrum	-10.40%	\$473.43m	\$4.812b	5.23%	\$639.681b
7  BSC	+229%	\$180.69m	\$849.59m	2.00%	\$370.028b
8  Blast	-28.21%	\$176.73m	\$2.094b	1.95%	\$214.861b

# Hyperliquid

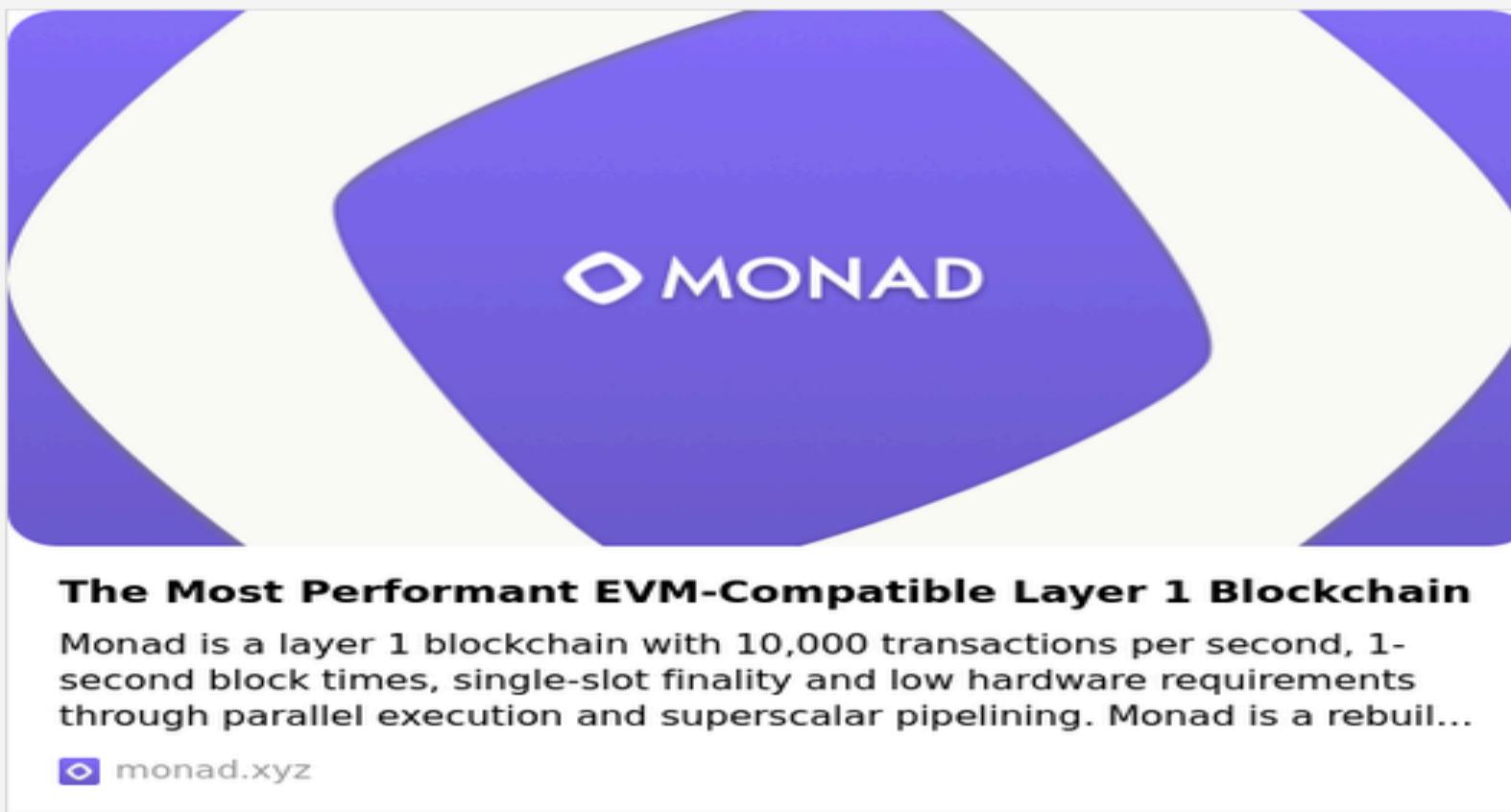
Hype on hyperliquid



- The largest airdrop in history
- No VC intervention
- Community first
- Current market cap exceeds Aave

# More on EVM Ecosystem

The Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM) offers a robust developer ecosystem but faces limitations in transaction speed.



Monad



MegaETH

# Law & SEC



## XRP returns to 3rd-largest crypto after 4-year battle with SEC

XRP spent four years as the seventh largest cryptocurrency by market cap before returning as the most-valued coin after Bitcoin and Ether in December 2024.



# Some Observation

Time	Market	Twitter
2 week ago	Meme is hot	ETH is dead, Solana becomes the #1 blockchain, everyone mad at Vitalik and Ethereum foundation
1 Week ago	AI Meme on Base	Bullish on AI Meme, AI is the next wave for crypto, pure meme is useless. Ethereum is back, Alt season coming
This Week	XRP Law Result	XRP is going to flip ETH and Bitcoin

# Layer 2 & Cross Chain Bridge

# StarkEx



## StarkEx Bug Bounties

Find bugs and vulnerabilities on StarkEx and get paid up to \$1,000,000.



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# Ecosystem

StarkWare

Company that operates StarkNet & StarkEx

StarkNet

Layer 2 network utilizing the zk-rollup technique, where the sequencer batches transactions and forwards them for proof.

StarkEx

StarkEx is a standalone, customizable Layer-2 SAAS for exchanges, utilizing the STARK proof system to achieve significant scaling.

STARK

A proof system that enables the proving and verification of computations

Reference: [STARKs](#), [StarkEx](#), [and Starknet](#), [Stark Ecosystem](#)

# Introduction

Introduction

A Layer-2 scalability engine, live on Ethereum Mainnet.

Rollup

Based on validity proofs, using STARK proof crypto system

- Transactions are validated off-chain by the StarkEx Prover and then verified on-chain to ensure only valid transactions are committed.

Comparison

Fraud Proof (Optimistic Proof)

Validity Proof (ZK Proof): Finality Time, L1 Security, Data Access

Reference: [Rollup Category](#), [Rollup & Data Availability](#), [L2 Comparison](#), [L2 Evolution](#)

# Data Availability

There are three modes for data availability.

ZK Rollup

Vault balances are published onchain as calldata. The ZK-Rollup provides built-in trustlessness.

Validium

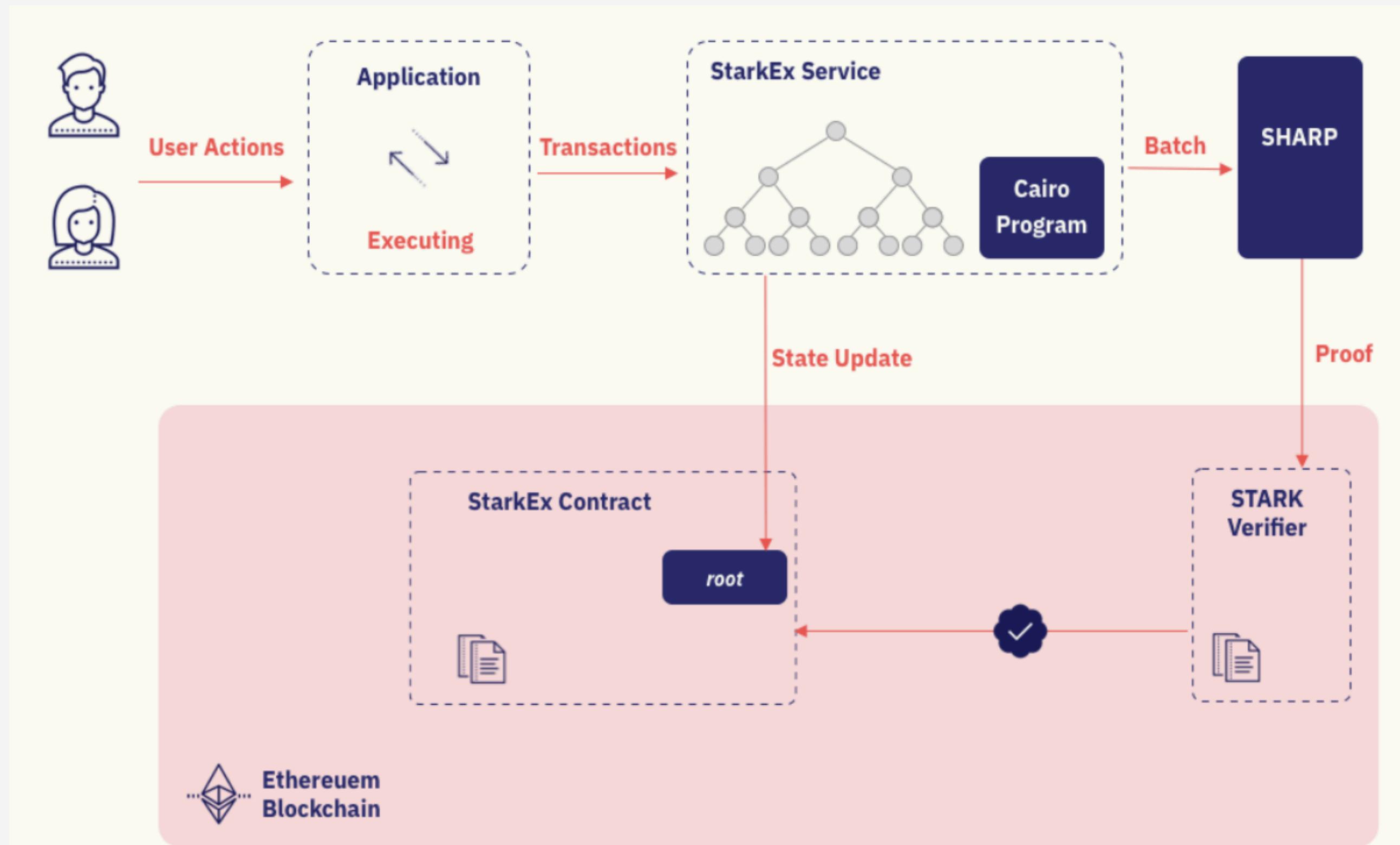
Vault balances are stored off-chain by the DACs, which maintain Validium vault balances to ensure user data accessibility.

Volition

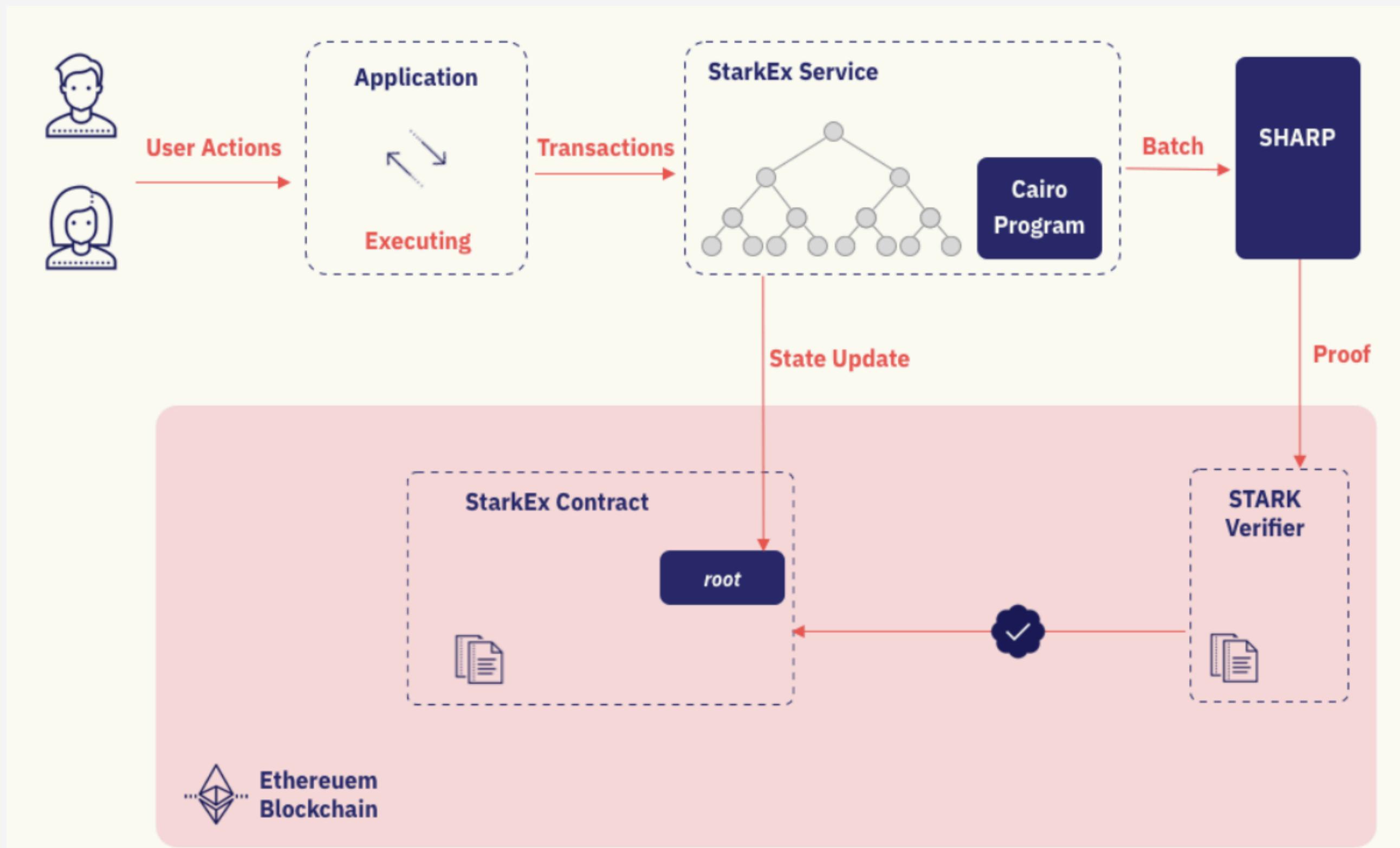
Allows integration of both ZK-Rollup and Validium vaults in your application. Users choose vault range for each asset they own.

Reference: [Rollup & Data Availability](#), [Data Availability](#), [Validium](#)

# Workflow Overview

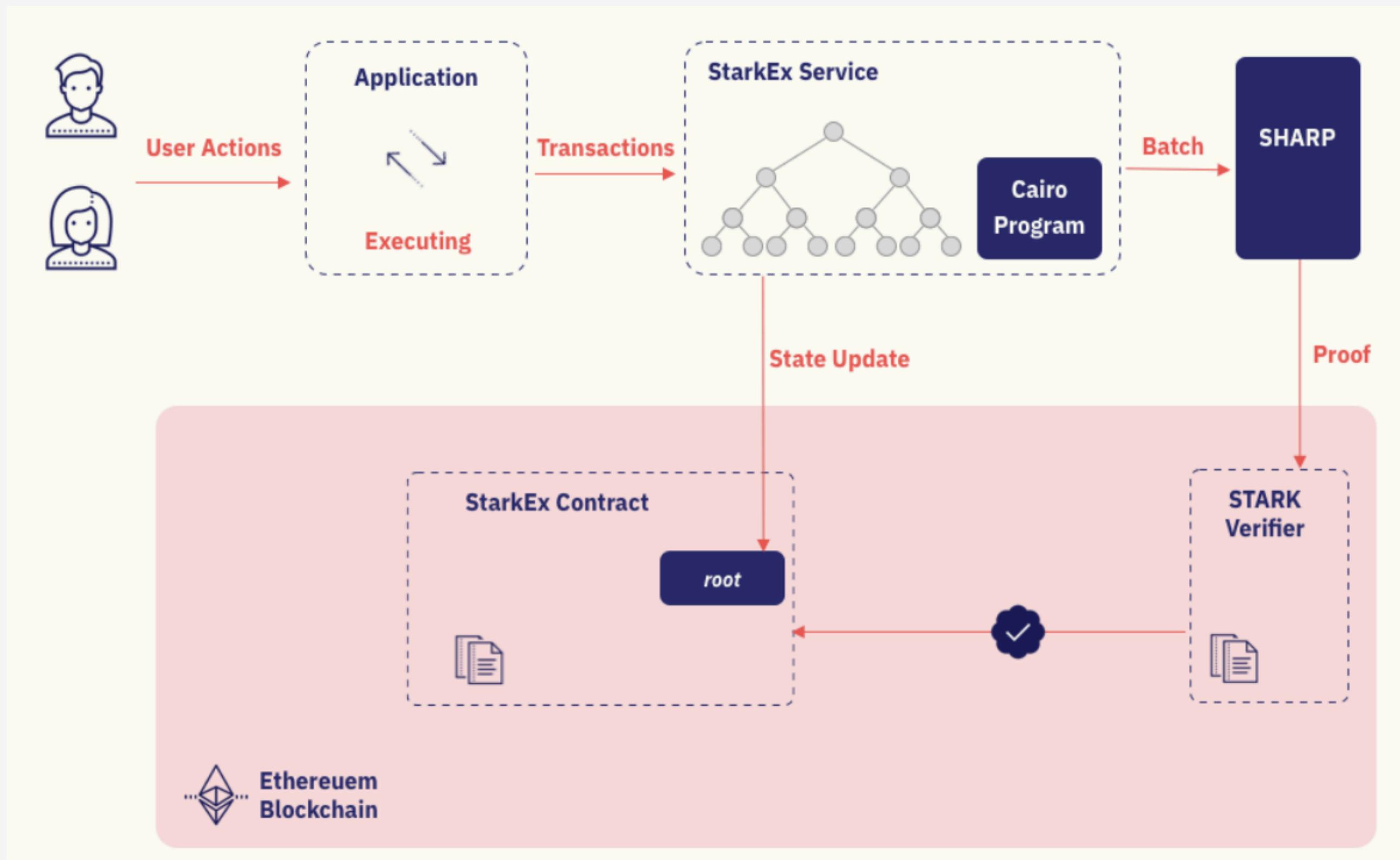


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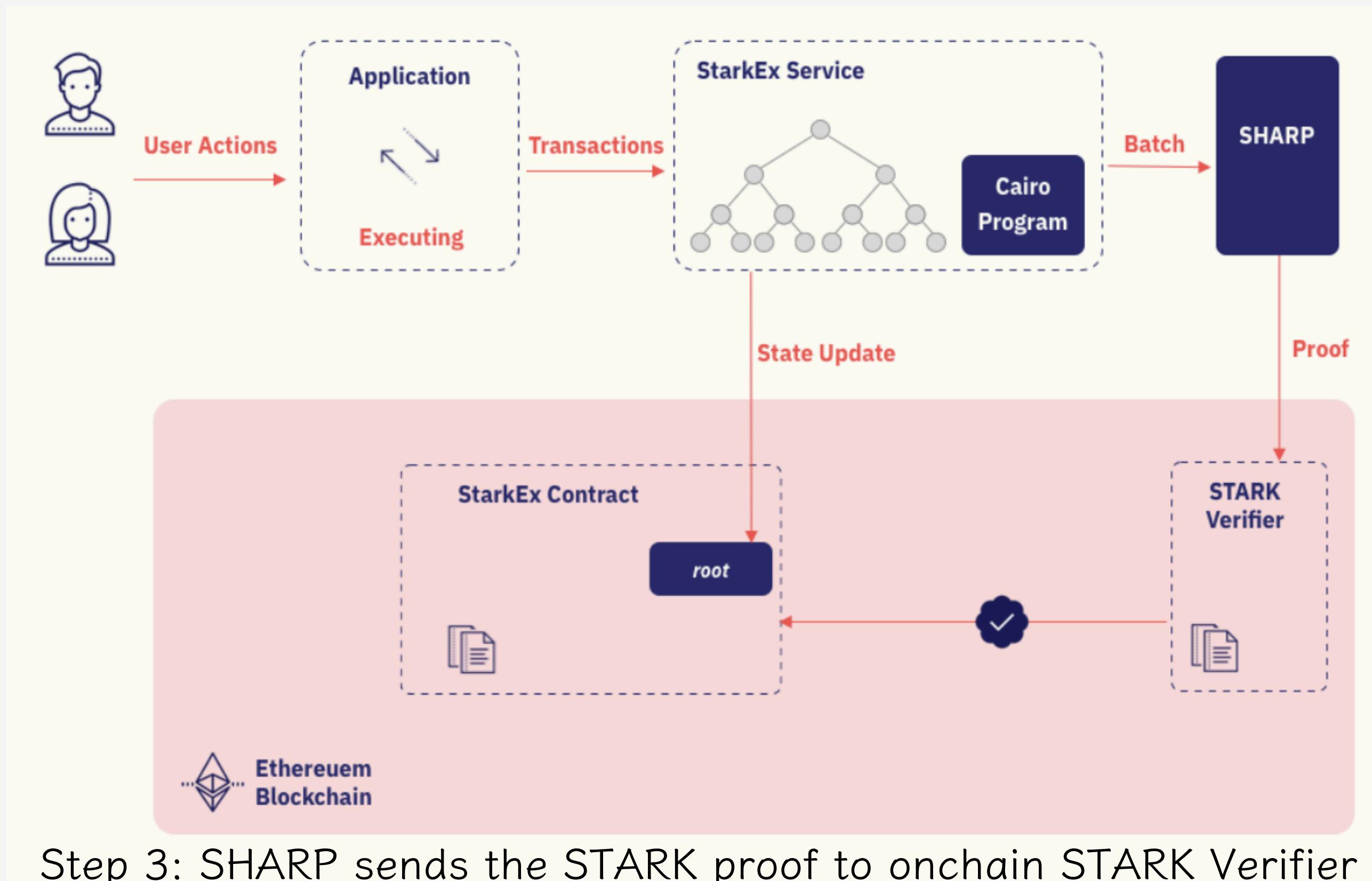


Step 1: Application executes transaction and sends to StarkEx service

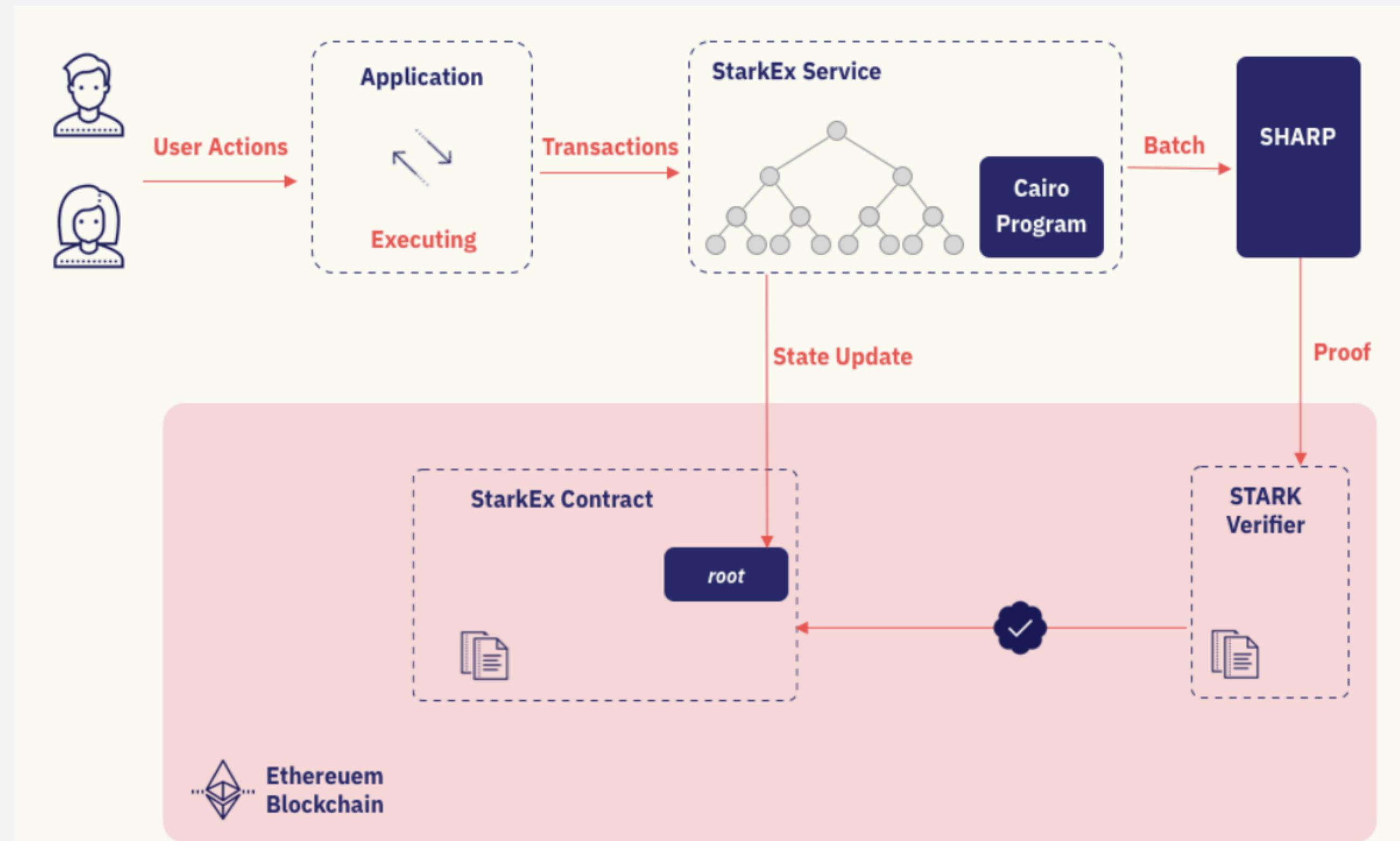
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Step 4: StarkEx sends onchain update transaction to StarkEx contract if proof is valid

# Component

Application

Processes user transactions and determines the business logic and execution order.

Operator

Entity that owns and responsible for Application

StarkEx Service

Batching operations and updating the system state. Each batch is sent as a Cairo execution trace to SHARP for verification.

SHARP

A shared proving service for Cairo programs processes and validates multiple proof requests, allowing proof sharing.

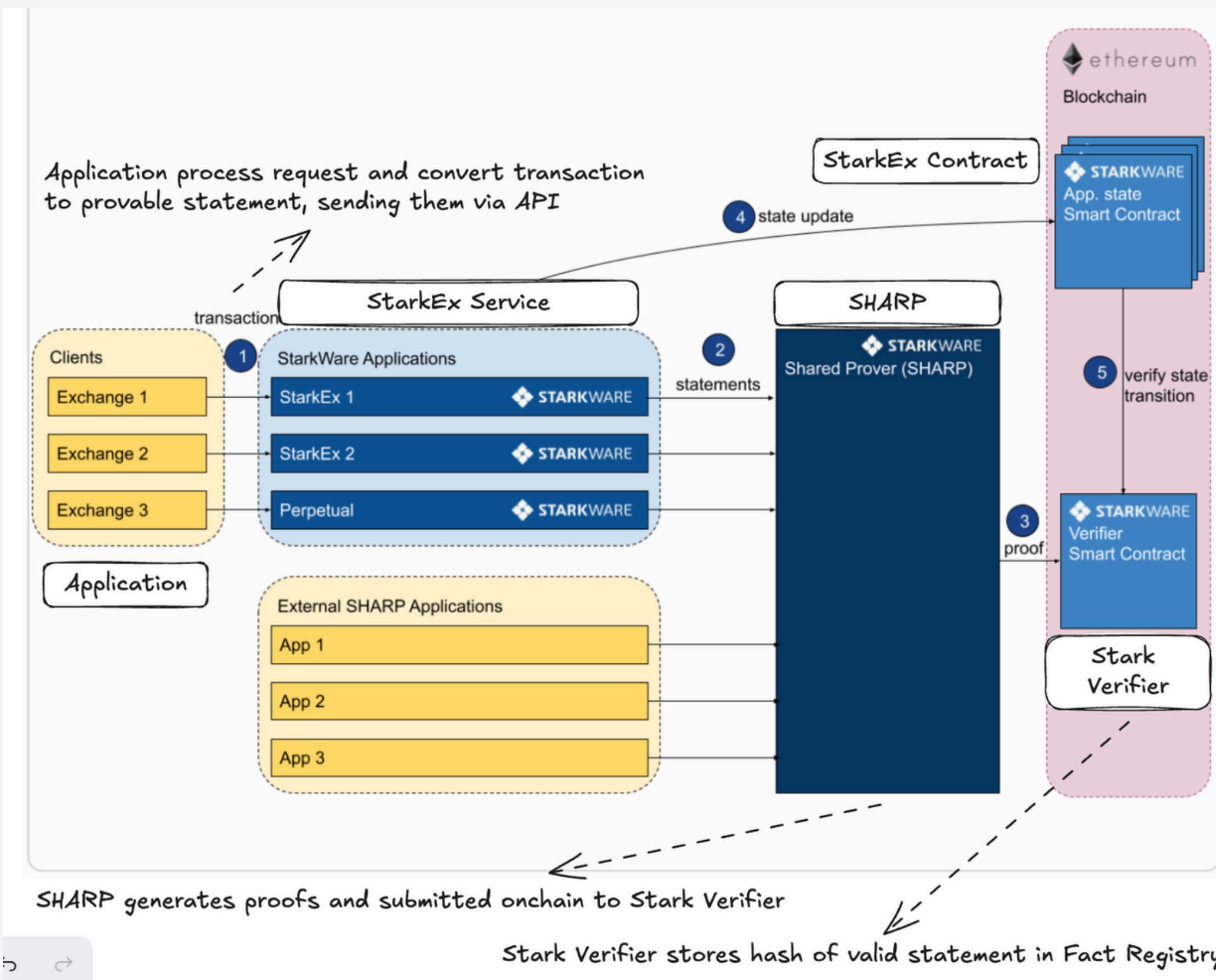
STARK Verifier

Receives and verifies a state-update validity proof.

StarEx Contract

1. Handle state updates 2. deposits and withdrawals

# General Architecture



Step 1: Process requests, convert to provable statements, and send to SHARP.

Step 2: Transaction are batched together into a single statement.

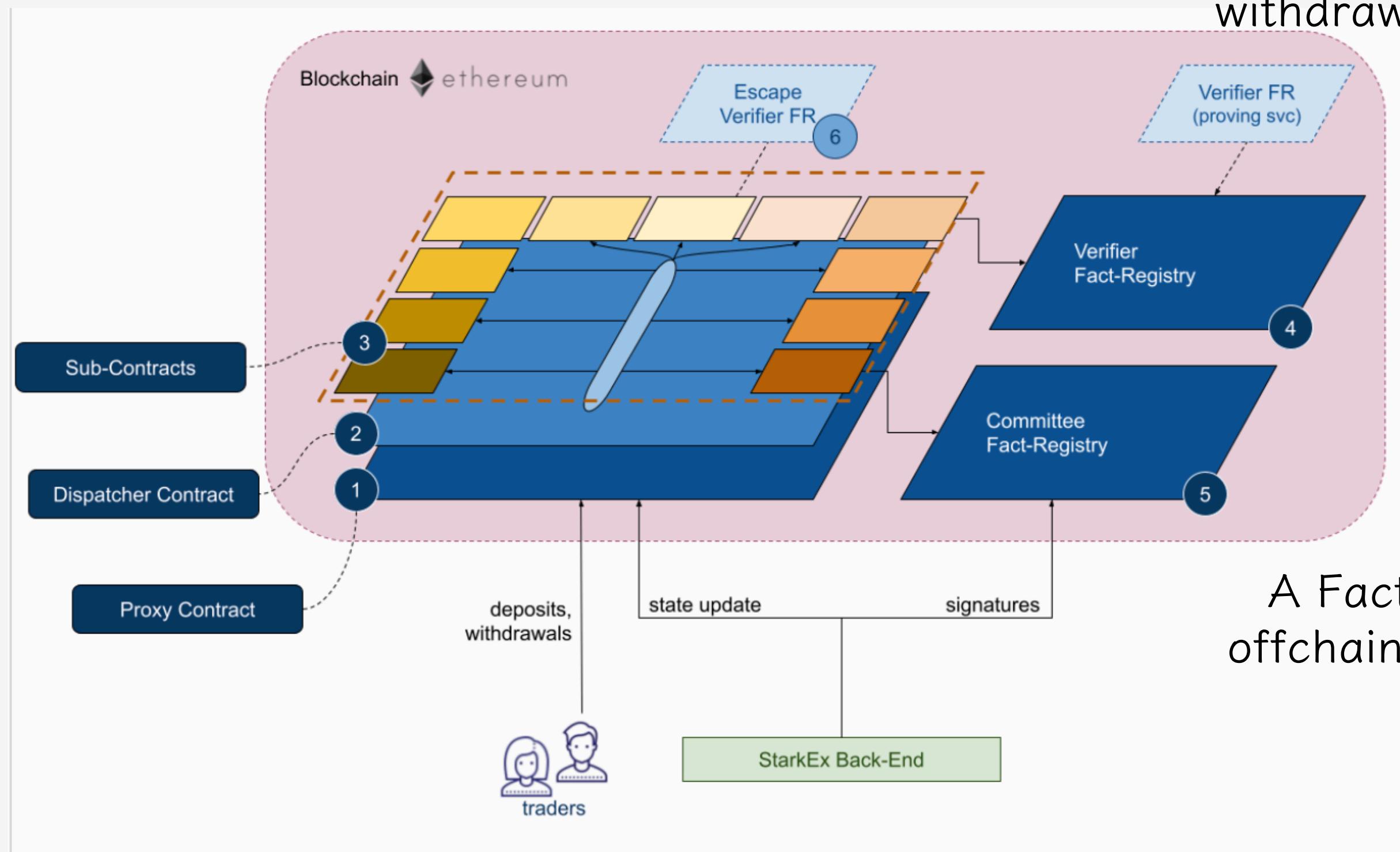
Step 3: SHARP transmits the proof to the onchain Verifier smart contract.

Step 4: Apply the state transition on the customer application's smart contract.

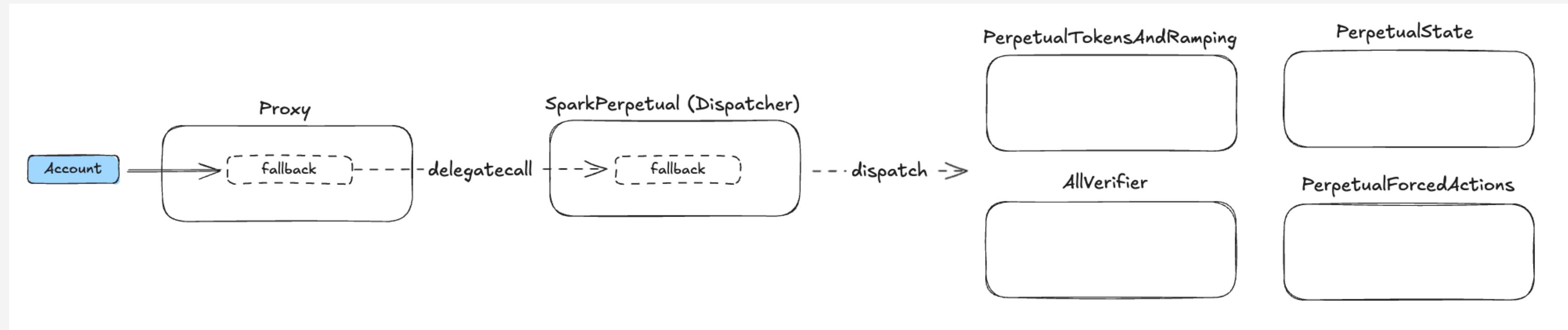
Step 5: Customer application's smart contract verifies that the transition statement is registered.

# Contract Architecture

Allows traders to prove ownership and withdraw funds from a frozen contract

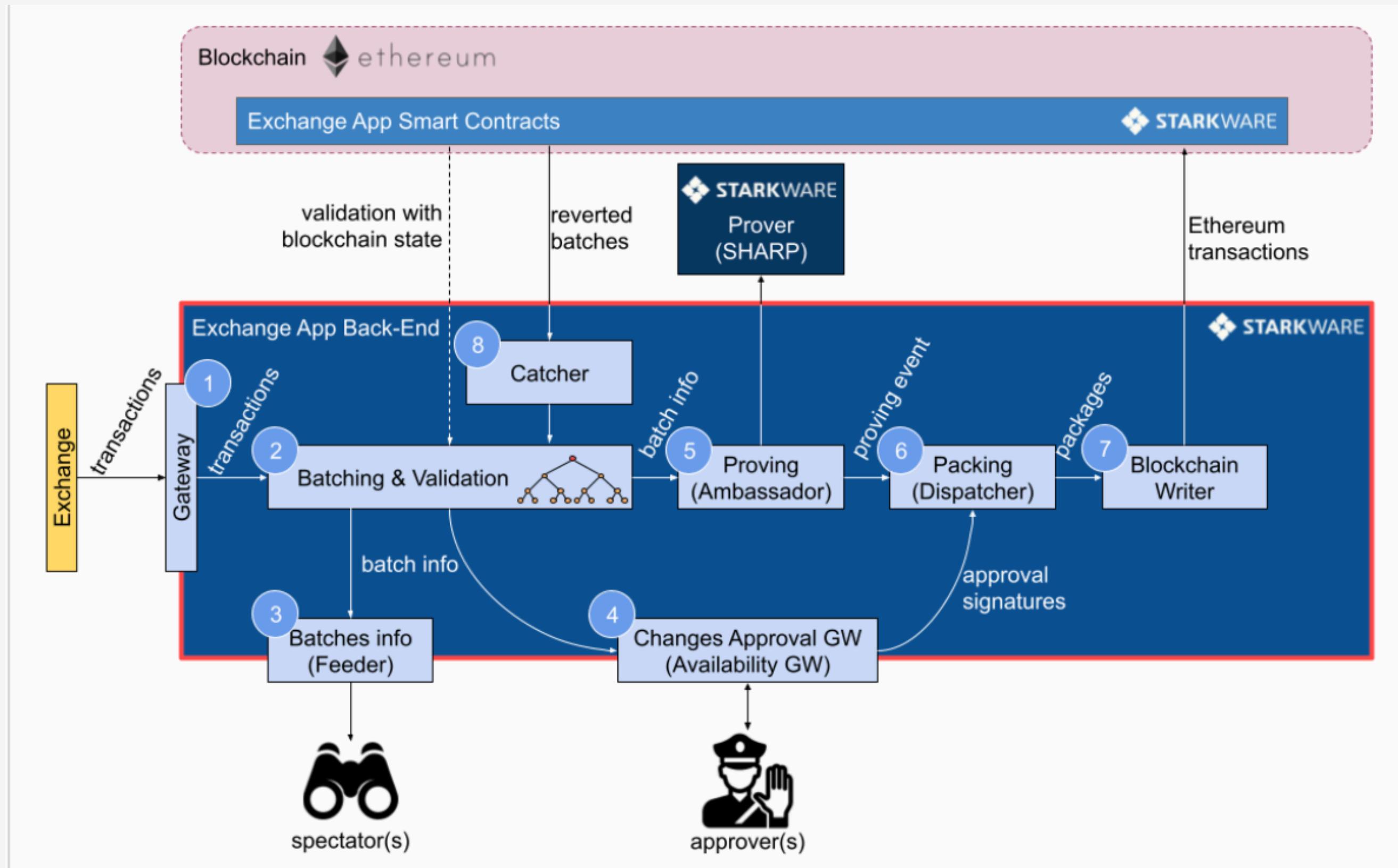


# Contract Architecture



- PerpetualTokensAndRamping: deposit / withdraw
- PerpetualState: updateState / escape
- AllVerifier: registerVerifier / removeVerifier
- PerpetualForcedActions: forced withdraw / forced trade

# StarkEx Service Architecture



# Backend Architecture

Gateway: Receives transactions from the application and validates them based on stateless criteria.

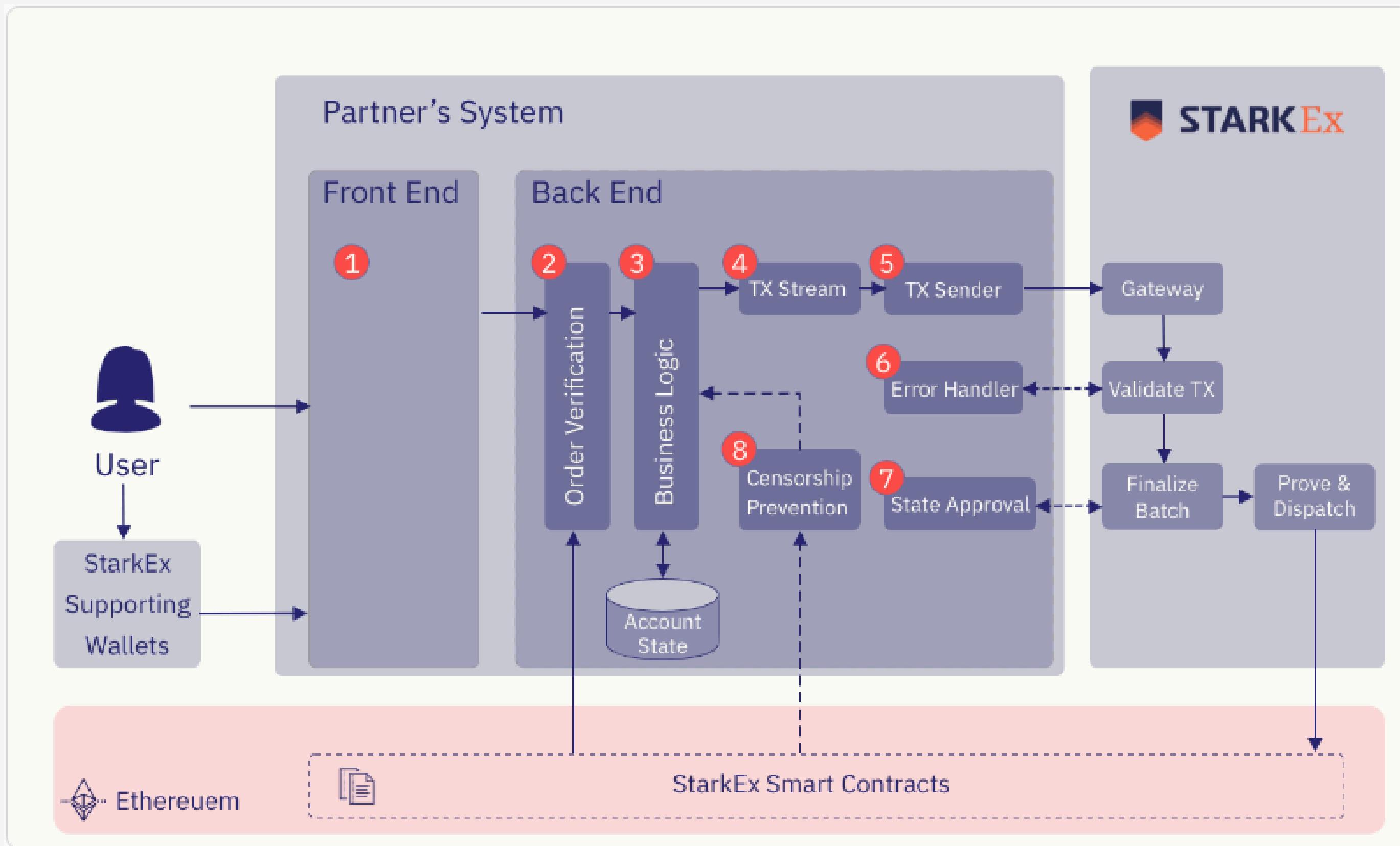
Batcher: Collects transactions into a batch and validates them -> depends on transaction order, chain of batch, if error occurs, subsequent batches are based on the last valid one.

Free Gateway: Provides external parties with information on verified batches and their transaction lists.

Availability Gateway: Custom logic approves batch submissions only when a sufficient quorum of a predefined committee approves the batch.

Ambassador: Submit the batch to Cairo program as a job to SHARP -> combines claims into one proof

# Partner Integration



# Offchain State

## Balances Tree

A Merkle Tree with leaves as StarkEx Vaults, each containing a unique Stark key to identify users in the offchain state.

Vault Structure: starKey, assetId, amount

## Order Tree

Prevents the operator from replaying transactions in the system

- A leaf in the Orders tree represents an executed StarkEx order.
- Each leaf includes an ID, which is a hash of the signed transaction request, and a value indicating the fulfilled amount of the order.
- If an operator attempts to resubmit an order, StarkEx validates the transaction by ensuring the associated leaf's value is zero.
- This mechanism helps StarkEx track previously minted assets.

# Vault Structure

Balance Tree is a Merkle Tree with leaves as StarkEx Vaults, each containing a unique Stark key to identify users in the offchain state.

starKey

the public Stark key of the vault's owner. Transfers and trades from this vault must be signed with this key.

assetId

ETH, ERC-20, , ERC-721, ERC-1155  
Mintable ERC-20, Mintable ERC-721, Mintable ERC-1155

amount

Ethereum uses 256-bit numbers for token quantities, while StarkEx uses 64-bit numbers for efficiency. Transaction signatures must convert Ethereum quantities to StarkEx's 64-bit format.

# User Interaction

Deposit

Deposit to the on-chain contract and get the off-chain balance

Withdraw

Reduce the off-chain vault balance and get token on-chain

Trade

Include single / multi asset trade operation, not support partial fulfilled

Transfer

Transfer token from A vault to B vault

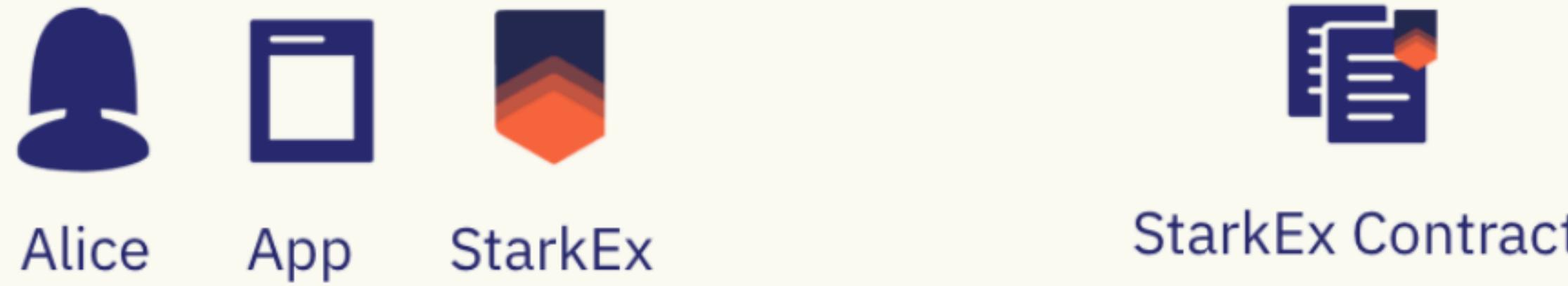
Cond. Transfer

Off-chain transfers that are valid only if an onchain event occurred.

Forced Action

Guarantee self custody of funds, thereby preventing censorship

# User Interaction - Deposit



Deposits Funds

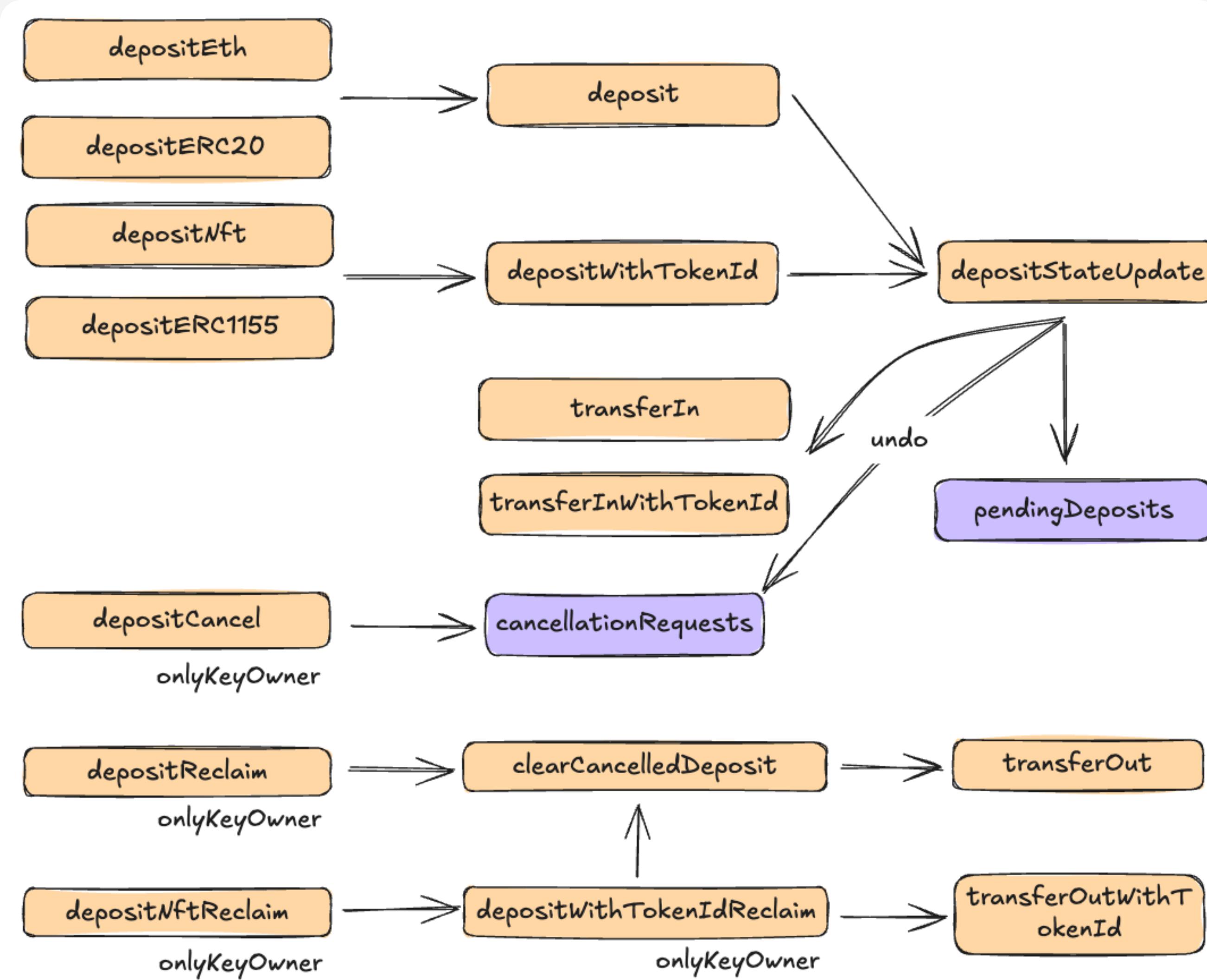
Off-chain  
deposit

Deposit included in submitted proof

- Users first deposit funds into the StarkEx Contract.
- The backend service monitors the event and issues a request.
- The deposit is then included in the submitted proof and sent for verification.

# User Interaction - Deposit

- Supported asset type: ETH, ERC-20, ERC-721, ERC-1155
- Deposit without token ID: depositEth, depositERC20 -> deposit
- Deposit with token ID: depositNft, depositERC1155 -> depositWithTokenId
- Users should first call `depositCancel` and then `depositReclaim` to withdraw tokens.
  - depositReclaim
  - depositWithTokenIdReclaim
  - depositNftReclaim
- Certain operations can only be done using an ethKey associated with that vault's starkKey.



User Deposit

Event Emission

LogDepositWithTokenId

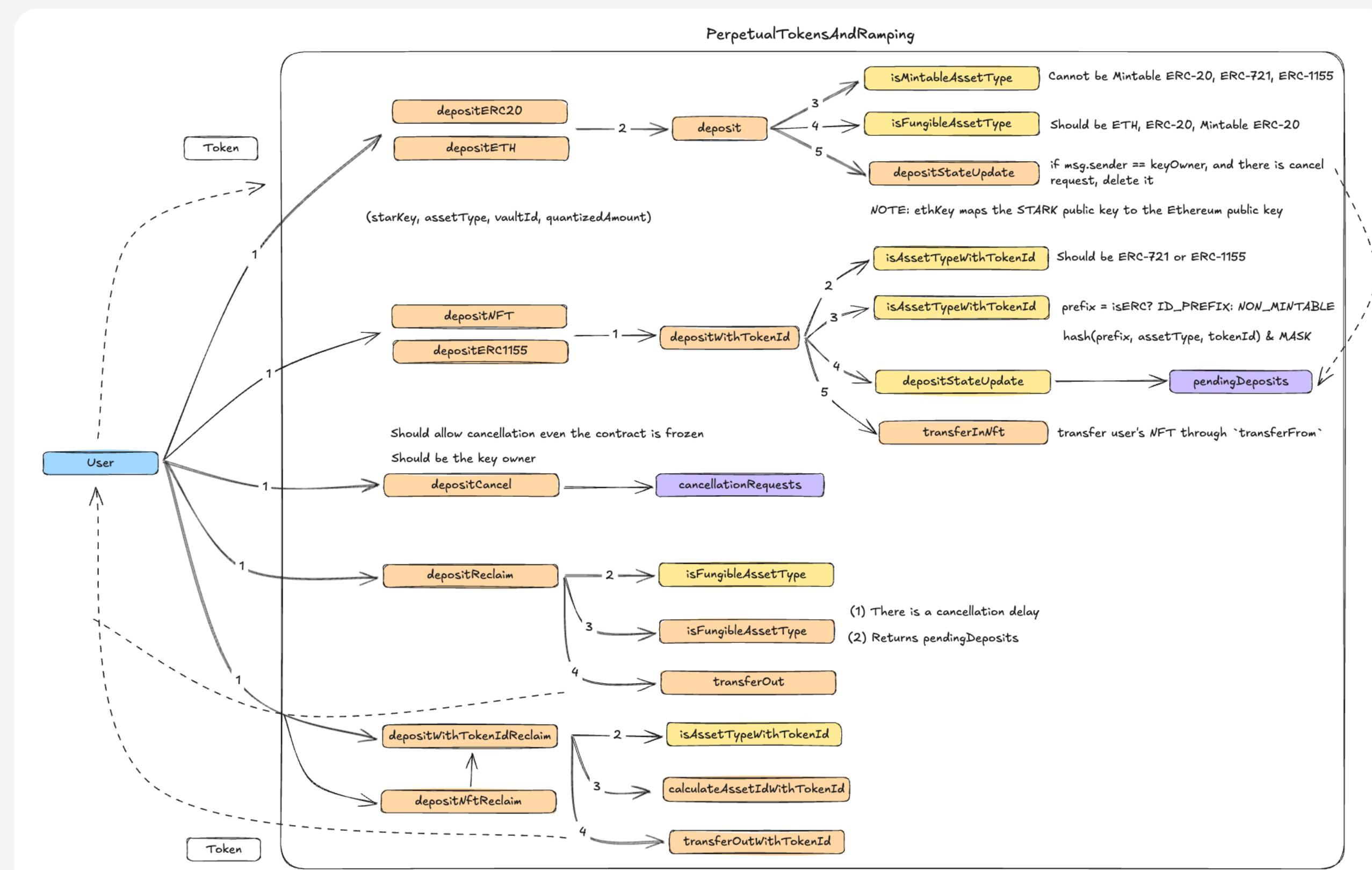
Or

LogDeposit

Event Monitoring

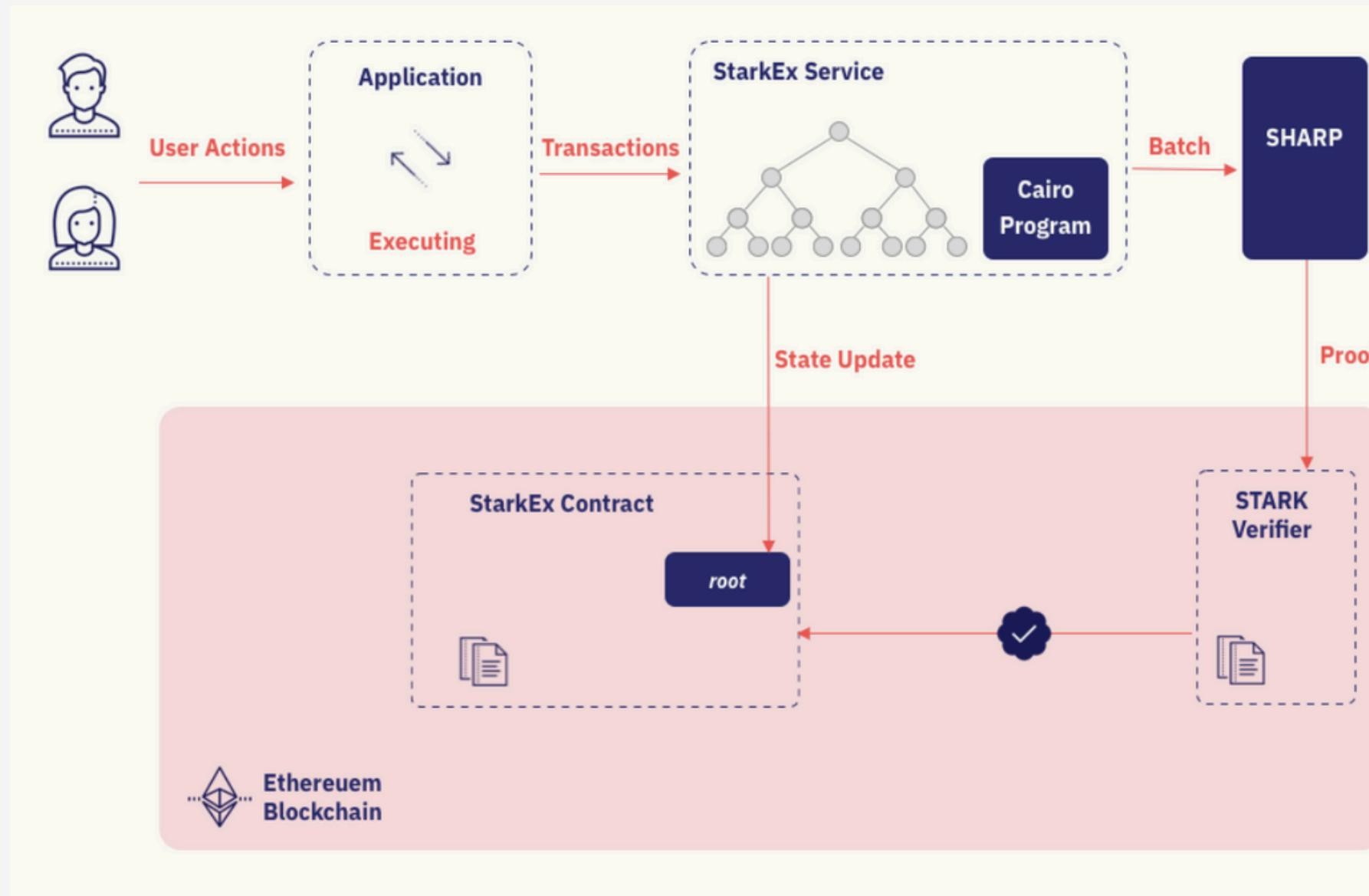
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# User Interaction - Deposit



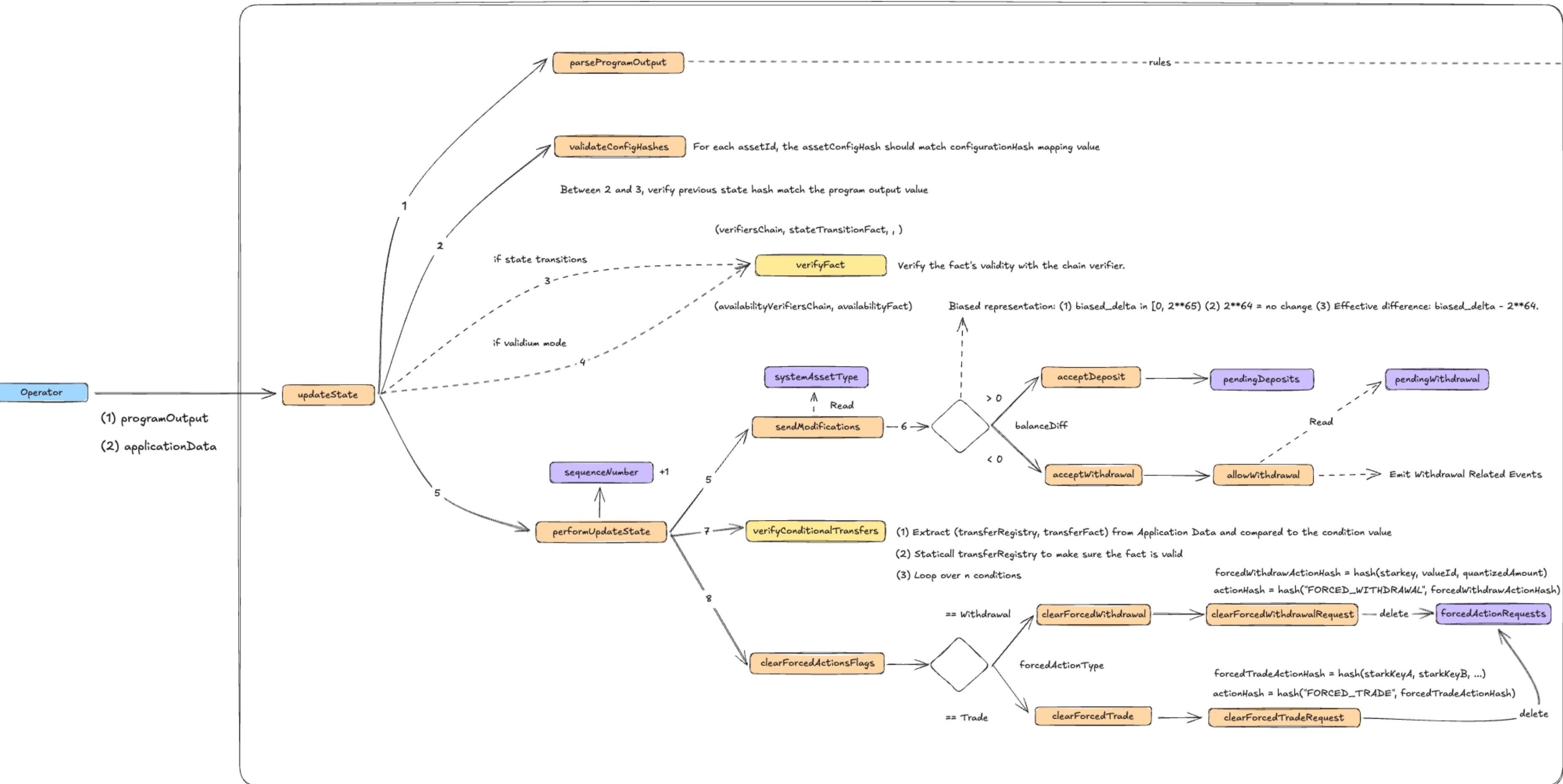
# User Interaction - Deposit

- The backend initiate an `add\_transaction` API request with `DepositRequest` transaction type

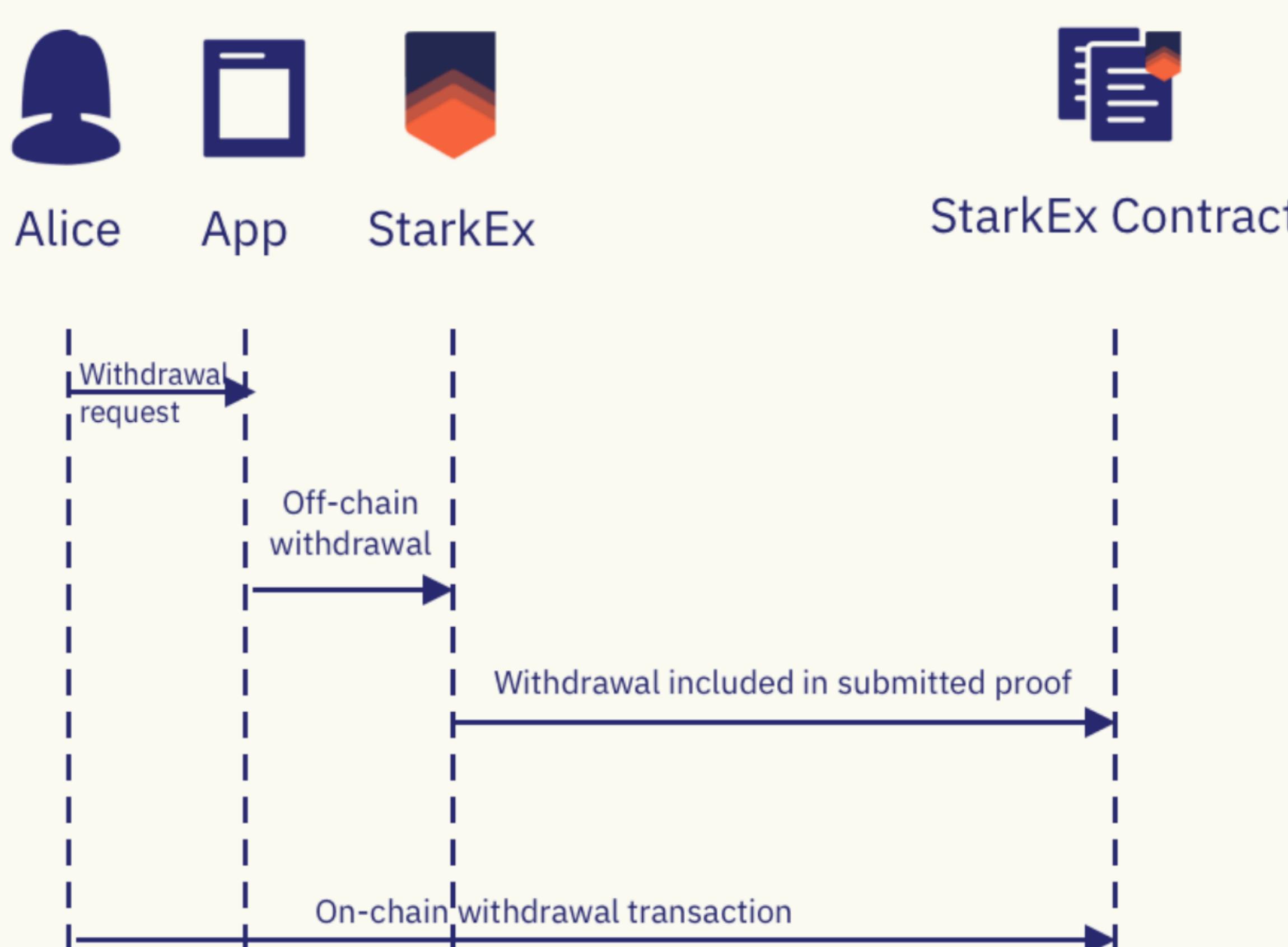


- The state will be updated after the stark proof is verified on-chain.
- This update the `pendingDeposits` amount in the StarkEx Contract

## PerpetualState::UpdatePerpetualState



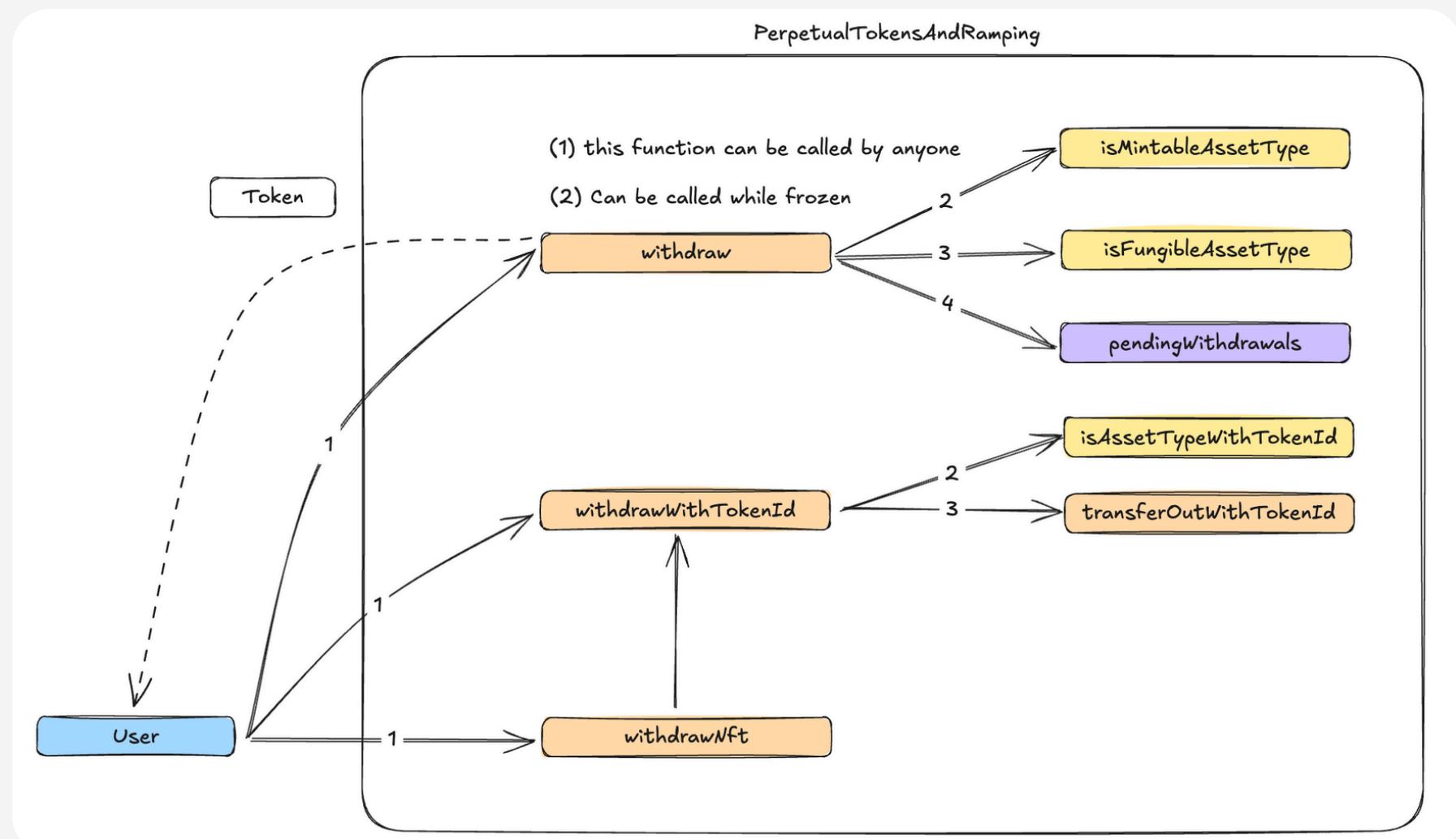
# User Interaction - Withdraw



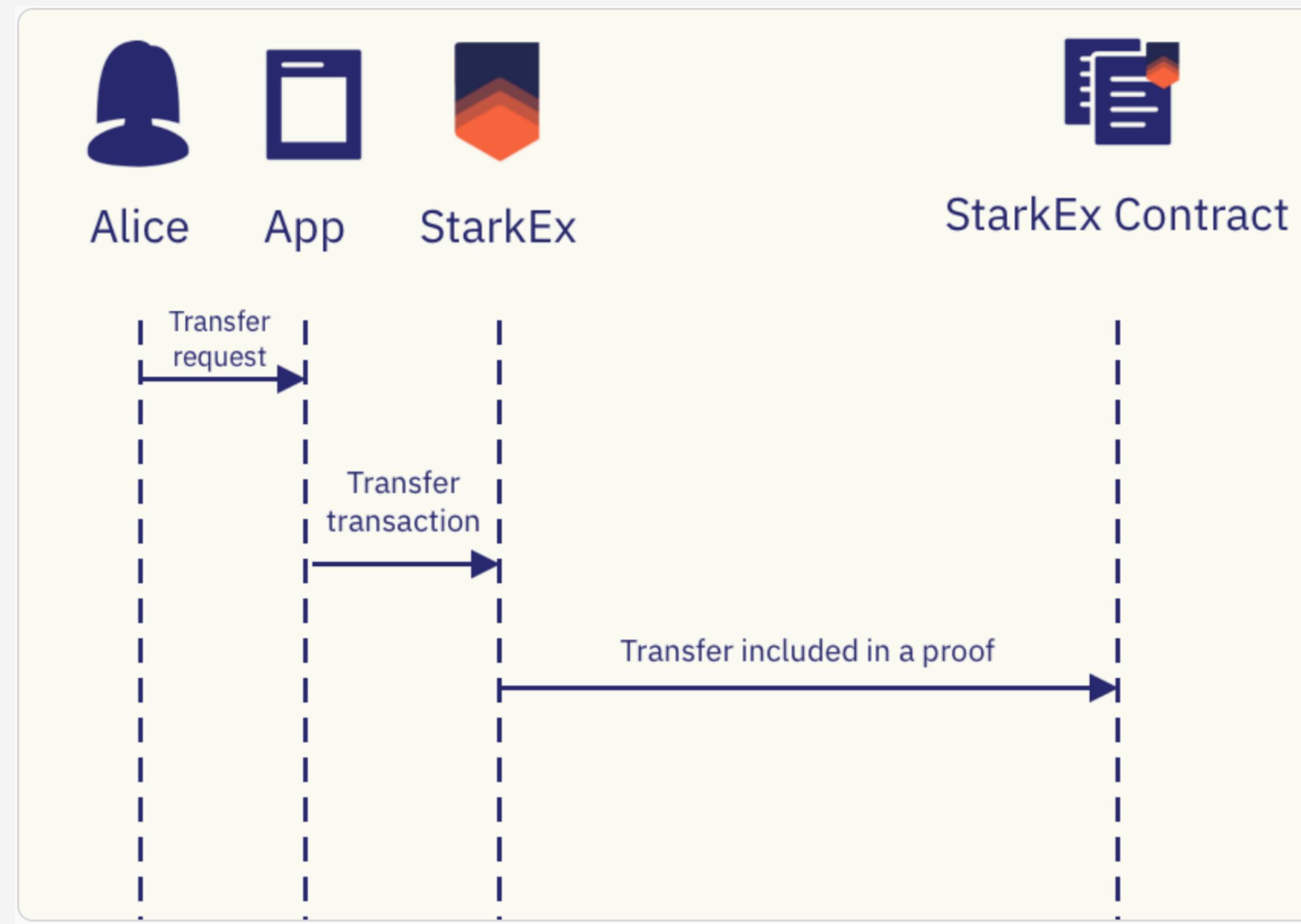
- User initiates a withdrawal request and updates the on-chain state,
- Later completes the withdrawal via an on-chain transaction.

# User Interaction - Withdraw

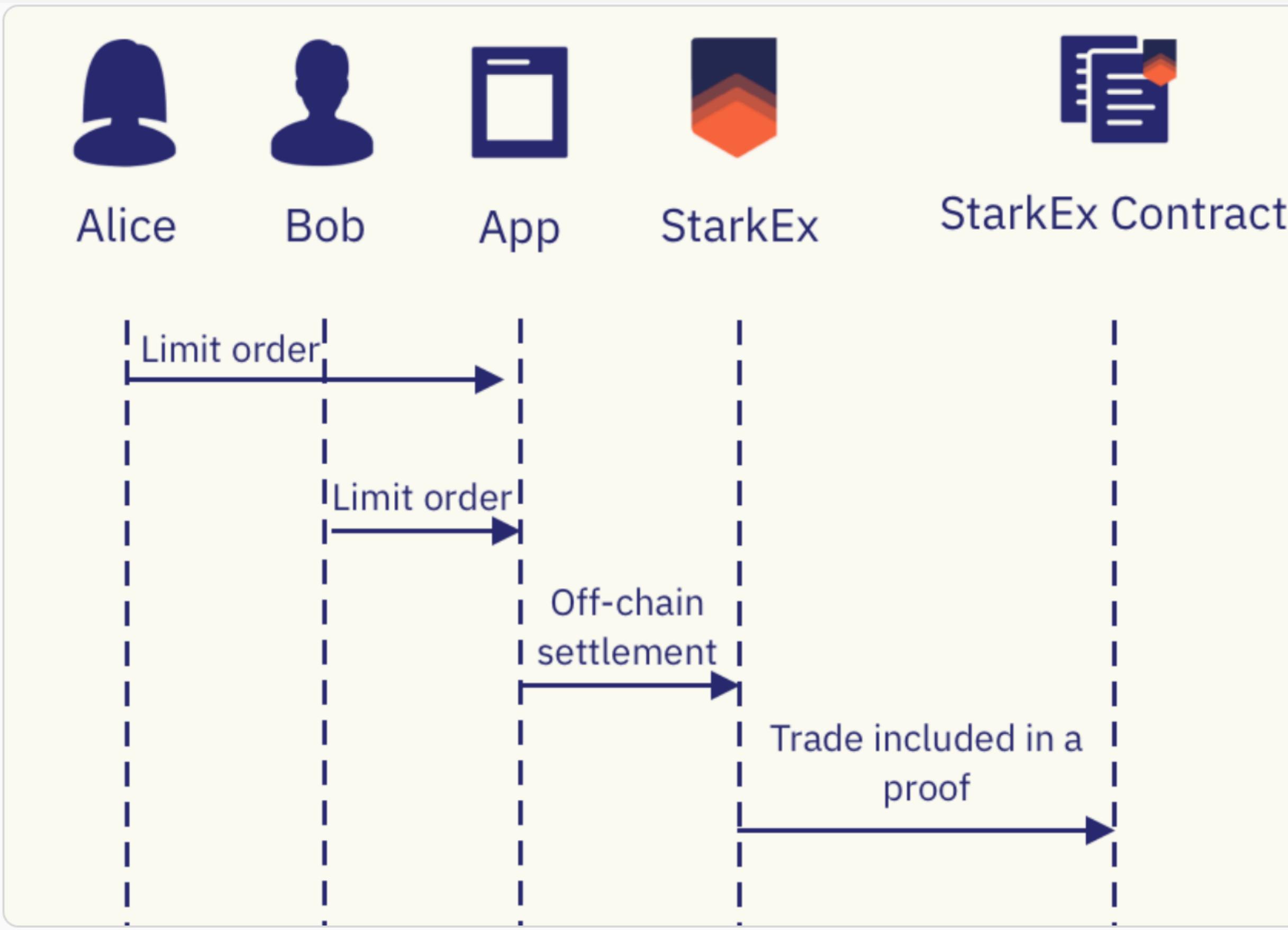
- Invoke `add\_transaction` API request with the `TransferRequest` transaction type
  - The transaction being validated and include in a batch
  - The StarkEx contract updates the state -> pendingWithdrawal
  - User withdraw the funds on-chain



# User Interaction - Transfer

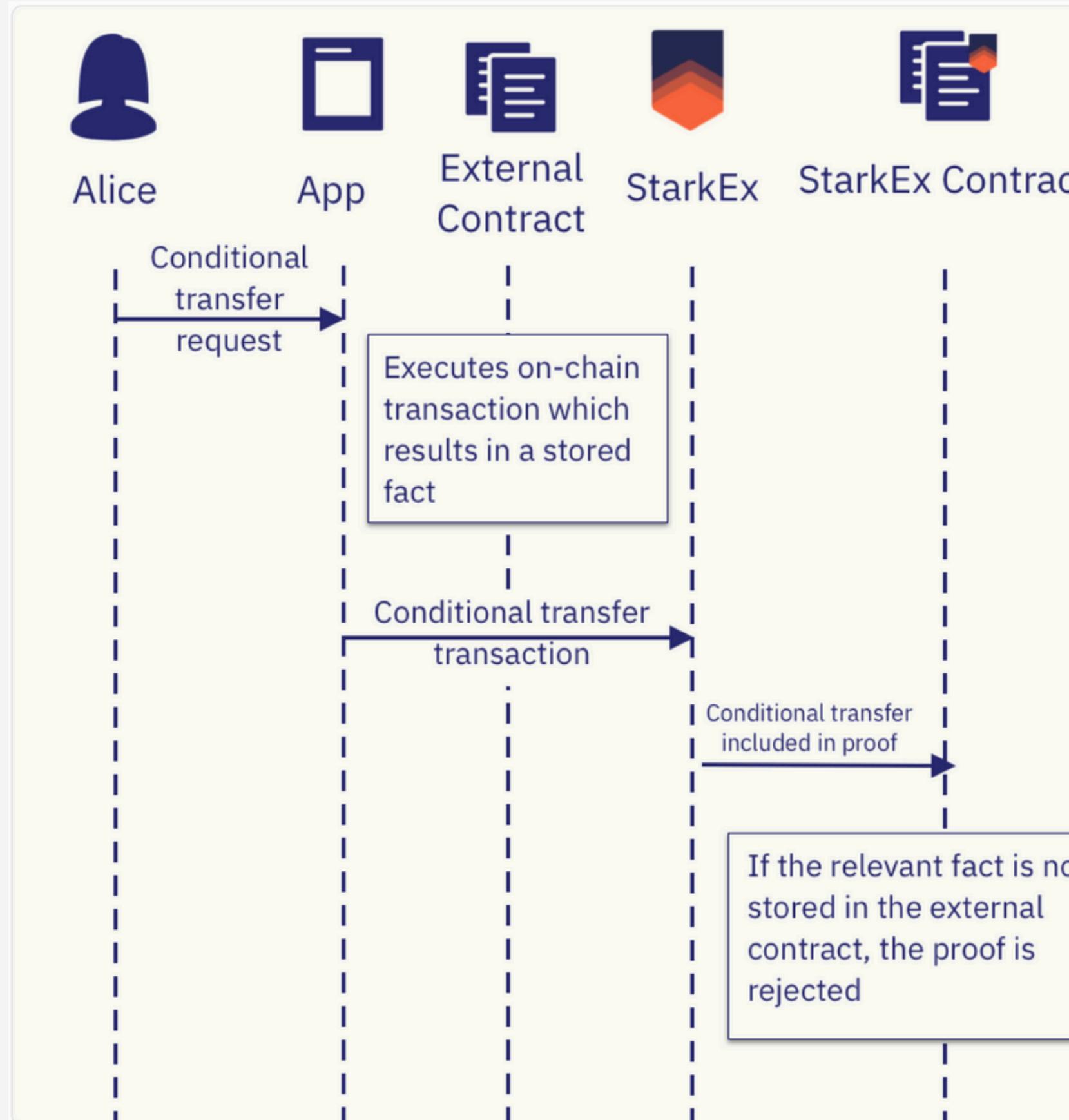


# User Interaction - Single / Multi Asset Trade



- Alice wants to trade 1 ETH for 400 DAI
- Bob wants to trade 400 DAI for 1 ETH
- Update the balanceDiff and include in the batch

# User Interaction - Conditional Transfer



## Case Study: Fast Withdrawal

Original withdraw process: see the previous section -> waiting for proof

Fast withdraw:

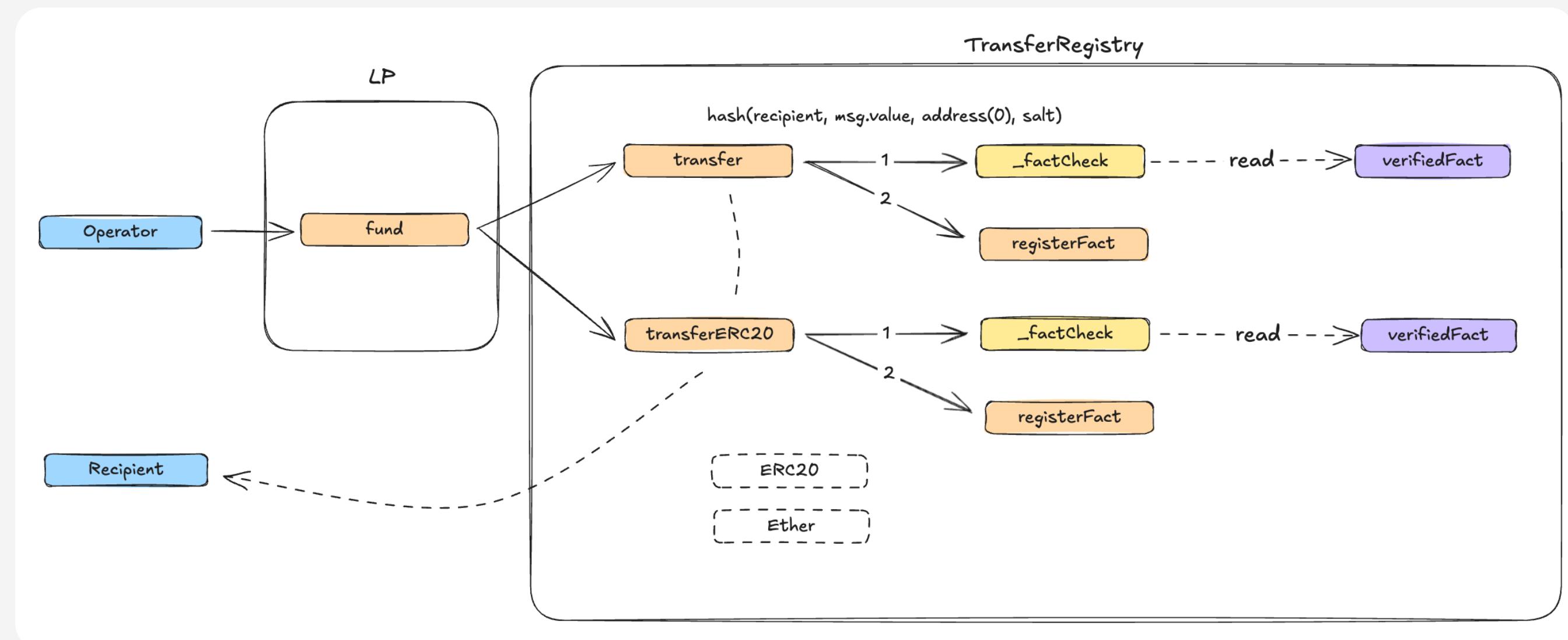
1. Alice submit a conditional transfer request
2. Operator call external contract to initiate token transfer, and later register the fact
3. The state update operation will verify the fact in the registry.

Reference: [Cond. Transfer Process](#), [Contract](#)

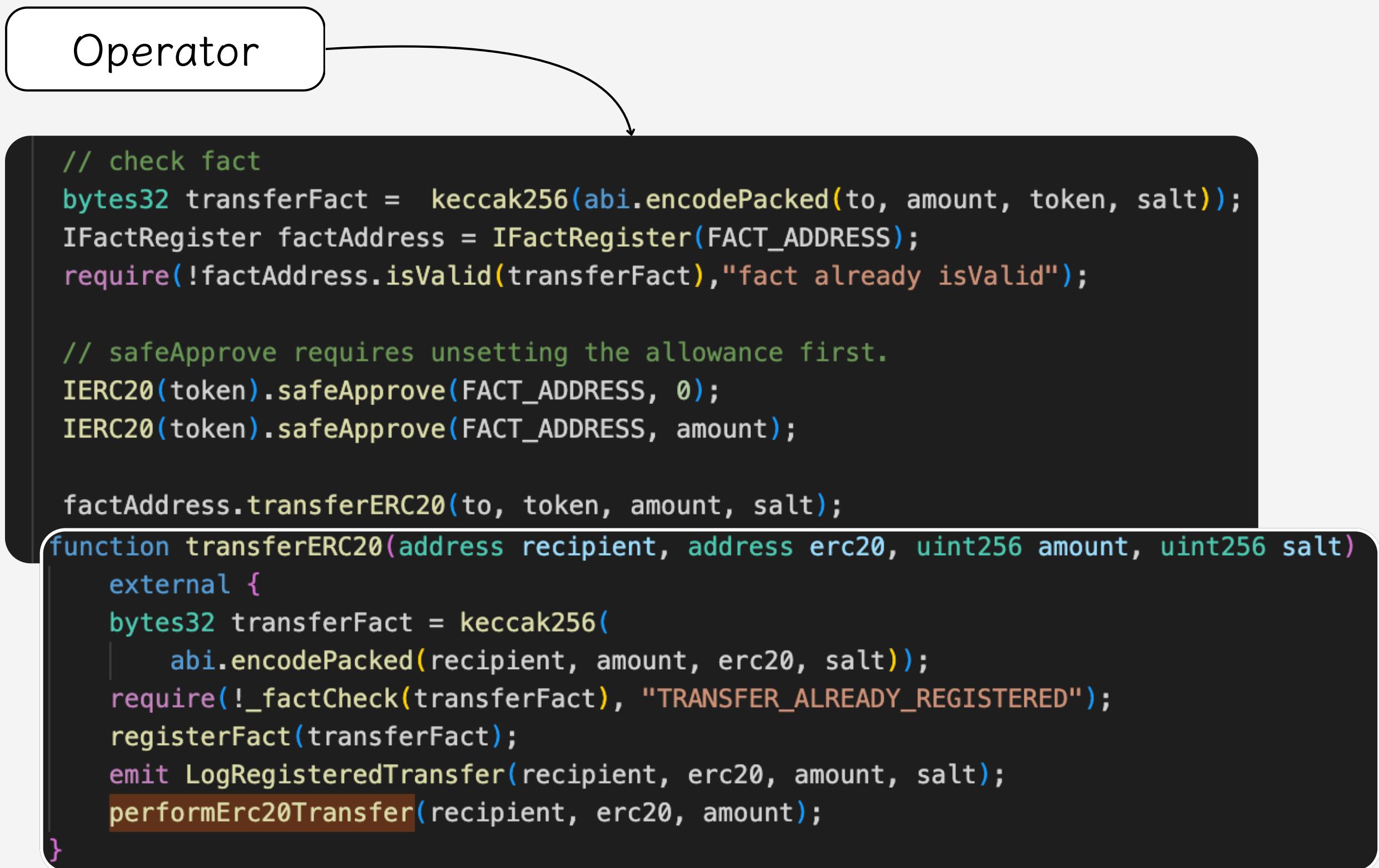
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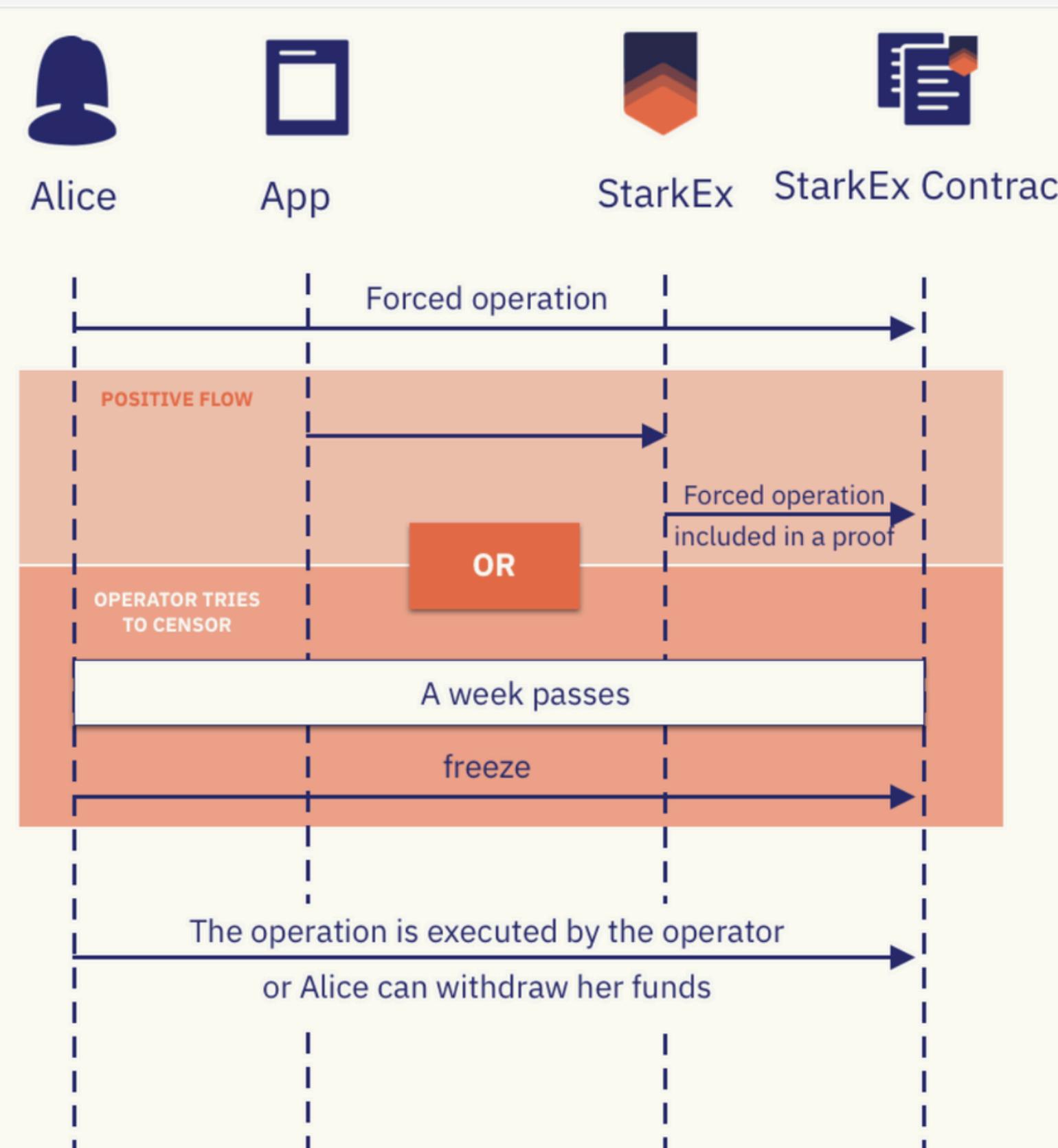
factRegistry

# User Interaction - Forced Action

- Goal: (1) Ensure self-custody of funds (2) Avoid censorship
- Action: Users can initiate forced requests at any time.
- Restriction: If a forced operation is not executed within a specified period, users can freeze the contract and subsequently the exchange. Once frozen, any user can directly withdraw their assets.
- Once the application updates the state accordingly, the forced action will be cleared.

Note: There is rate limit in submitting forced action request to prevent DoS attack.

# User Interaction - Forced Action



## Good

- Alice request forced withdrawal, the application updates the state accordingly.
- After the state update, the forced action request is cleared.

## Bad

- Alice requests a forced withdrawal, but the application attempts to censor it and does not process the request.
- After the grace period, Alice freeze the contract, and the state can no longer update.

# User Interaction - Forced Action

