

# Generic interest distribution for a pool

## Context

- We have a pool holding some assets. There are “owners” who contribute proportionally to this pool of assets, and get back “pool ownership tokens”
  - Let's say at time  $t$ , the total amount of “pool ownership tokens” is  $S_t^{total}$
- Overtime, the assets in the pool will generate “yield tokens”. These “yield tokens” might or might not generate more “yield tokens” overtime.
  - Let's call the amount of yield tokens at time  $t$  to be  $n_t^{yield}$
  - From time  $t$  to  $t+1$ , an existing amount  $n_t^{yield}$  of yield tokens will grow to  $n_t^{yield} \times m_t$ . In the case where yield tokens don't grow,  $m_t$  is always 1
- At any time, a pool owner can claim back his **rightful** portion of yield tokens that were generated. We need to distribute the yield tokens to the owners such that:
  - From time  $t$  to  $t+1$ , the yield tokens generated **from the assets in the pool** should be **equally distributed** to the current pool owners, proportionally to their share of the pool
  - If a certain portion of yield tokens in the pool is entitled to a user A, any interest generated from this portion is also entitled to A.
- Basically, this scenario can be applied to:
  - A market, where the assets consists of the XYTs and base tokens, and the “pool ownership tokens” are the LP tokens
    - For an Aave-based market (XYTs are derived from aTokens), the “yield tokens” which is aTokens will generate even more yield tokens
    - For a Compound-based market (XYTs are derived from cTokens), the “yield tokens” do not generate more yield tokens. As such,  $m_t$  is always 1
  - A liquidity mining pool's sub-pool that consists of LPs for a certain market
    - The assets are basically the LP tokens staked
    - The “pool ownership tokens” are also the LP tokens being staked
    - The “yield tokens” could be aTokens or cTokens, depending on the type of market of the LP tokens.
    - Each of these sub-pool is basically a PendleLpHolder contract

## Formula:

### At t:

- User A deposits  $s_A$  new ownership tokens
- The pool now has  $s_t^{total} = s_{t-1}^{total} + s_A$  ownership tokens
- A now owns  $\frac{s_A}{s_t^{total}}$  of the pool.
- We now have  $n_t^{yield}$
- E.g 1000 aUSDT

### At t+1: something happened that changed $n^{yield}$ , $s^{total}$

- We now have  $n_{t+1}^{yield}$ . E.g 1100,  $m(t) = 1.01$
- The interest generated by existing yield tokens was:  $n_t^{yield} \times m_t$
- As such, the interest generated by the assets in the pool is:  
 $R_t = n_{t+1}^{yield} - n_t^{yield} \times m_t$   
E.g = 1100 - 1000\*1.01

Let  $I_{t-t+n}^A$  be the interests for A (who deposited at t) at t+n, then:

$$I_{t-t+1}^A = \frac{s_A}{s_t^{total}} \times R_t$$

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### At t+2: something else happened that changed $n^{yield}$ , $s^{total}$

- We now have  $n_{t+2}^{yield}$
- The interest generated by existing yield tokens was:  $n_{t+1}^{yield} \times m_{t+1}$
- As such, the interest generated by the assets in the pool is:  
 $R_{t+1} = n_{t+2}^{yield} - n_{t+1}^{yield} \times m_{t+1}$
- Hence, from t to t+2, A is entitled to:

$$I_{t-t+2}^A = \frac{s_A}{s_{t+1}^{total}} \times R_{t+1} + I_{t-t+1}^A \times m_{t+1}$$

$$= \frac{S_A}{S_{t+1}^{total}} R_{t+1} + \frac{S_A}{S_t^{total}} R_t \times m_{t+1}$$

**At t+3:** Similarly, from t to t+3, A is entitled to receive:

$$\begin{aligned} I_{t-t+3}^A &= \frac{S_A}{S_{t+2}^{total}} \times R_{t+2} + I_{t-t+2}^A \times m_{t+2} \\ &= \frac{S_A}{S_{t+2}^{total}} R_{t+2} + \left( \frac{S_A}{S_{t+1}^{total}} R_{t+1} + \frac{S_A}{S_t^{total}} R_t \times m_{t+1} \right) \times m_{t+2} \\ &= \frac{S_A}{S_{t+2}^{total}} R_{t+2} + \\ &\quad \frac{S_A}{S_{t+1}^{total}} R_{t+1} \times m_{t+2} + \frac{S_A}{S_t^{total}} R_t \times m_{t+1} \times m_{t+2} \\ &= S_A \left( \frac{R_{t+2}}{S_{t+2}^{total}} + \frac{R_{t+1}}{S_{t+1}^{total}} \times m_{t+2} + \frac{R_t}{S_t^{total}} \times m_{t+1} \times m_{t+2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

As such, we can generalise it:

$$\begin{aligned} I_{t-t+n}^A &= \\ S_A \times &\left( \frac{R_{t+n-1}}{S_{t+n-1}^{total}} + \dots + \frac{R_{t+1}}{S_{t+1}^{total}} m_{t+2} m_{t+3} \dots m_{t+n-1} + \frac{R_t}{S_t^{total}} m_{t+1} m_{t+2} \dots m_{t+n-1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Let's define:

$$\begin{aligned} H_{t-t+n} &= \frac{I_{t-t+n}^A}{S_A}, \text{ which is the interest per ownership token from } t \text{ to } t+n \\ &= \frac{R_{t+n-1}}{S_{t+n-1}^{total}} + \dots + \frac{R_{t+1}}{S_{t+1}^{total}} m_{t+2} m_{t+3} \dots m_{t+n-1} + \frac{R_t}{S_t^{total}} m_{t+1} m_{t+2} \dots m_{t+n-1} \end{aligned}$$

Let's also define:

$L_t = H_{0-t}$  = intuitively, interest per LP for anyone staking from the very start

$N_t = m_1 m_2 \dots m_{t-1}$  = current income index / initial income index

We can observe that:

$$L_{t+n} = \frac{R_{t+n-1}}{s_{t+n-1}^{total}} + \dots + \frac{R_{t+1}}{s_{t+1}^{total}} m_{t+2} m_{t+3} \dots m_{t+n-1} + \frac{R_0}{s_0^{total}} m_1 m_2 \dots m_{t+n-1}$$

$$= L_t \times m_t m_{t+1} \dots m_{t+n-1} + H_{t-t+n}$$

$$= L_t \times \frac{m_1 m_2 \dots m_{t+n-1}}{m_1 m_2 \dots m_{t-1}} + H_{t-t+n}$$

$$= L_t \times \frac{N_{t+n}}{N_t} + H_{t-t+n}$$

In other words,

$$H_{t-t+n} = L_{t+n} - L_t \times \frac{N_{t+n}}{N_t}$$

### Another way to explain the formula:

The amount of interest for a user A staking from t to t+n is:

Amount of interest if A has staked from the start to t+n

minus “the amount of interest if A has staked from the start to t, and compounded separately from t to t+n”

Universe 1: user A stake from 0 -> t

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Also, we can get  $L_{t+1}$  recursively from  $L_t$  :

$$L_{t+1} = L_t \times m_{t+1} + \frac{R_{t+1}}{s_t^{total}}, \text{ where } R_t = n_{t+1}^{yield} - n_t^{yield} \times m_t$$

### **Implementation**

We notice that L and N are **global variables** that can be updated every time there is a change to  $n^{yield}$  or  $s^{total}$

As such, we just need to save L and N for each user at the time when their interest was last claimed, and we will be able to get their current interest at t+n as:

$$I_{t-t+n}^A = s_A \times H_{t-t+n} = s_A \times \left( L_{t+n} - L_t \times \frac{N_{t+n}}{N_t} \right)$$

### **Further observation:**

For Aave:

$normalizedIncome_t$  is the normalizedIncome of the corresponding Aave's asset at time  $t_0$

We have:

$$m_1 = normalizedIncome_1 / normalizedIncome_0$$

$$m_2 = normalizedIncome_2 / normalizedIncome_1$$

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$$m_t = normalizedIncome_t / normalizedIncome_{t-1}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_1 \times m_2 \times \dots \times m_t = \frac{normalizedIncome_t}{normalizedIncome_0}$$

Hence, 
$$\frac{N_{t+n}}{N_t} = \frac{\textit{normalizedIncome}_{t+n}}{\textit{normalizedIncome}_t}$$