

Market Maker Bot Design Summary

1. Architecture & Data Flow

System Components

1. Execution Engine

- Generates trader order flow (random BUY/SELL orders).
- Routes orders to each market's Market Maker.
- Runs a 200-tick simulation loop.

2. Market Maker Bot

- Computes mid, bid, ask prices.
- Adjusts spreads dynamically based on risk.
- Handles inventory, imbalance, and adaptive behaviour.

3. Market State Store

- Tracks inventory, PnL, fills, exposure, notional traded.
- Maintains risk limits.

4. Matching Logic

- Checks if the trader's price crosses bot's bid/ask.
- Executes fills and updates state.

5. Logger

- Records time-series trace (trace.json).
- Outputs final metrics (simulation_report.csv).

Data Flow

1. Execution Engine → generates trader orders
2. Orders → Market Maker (to produce quotes)
3. Market Maker → returns bid/ask quotes
4. Matching Logic → checks for fills
5. Fills → update Market State
6. State changes → logged to JSON + CSV

2. How Mid, Spread, and Size Are Determined for a Binary Event Contract

A binary event contract pays **1 if an event happens, 0 if not**, so its fair value is a **probability between 0 and 1**.

Mid-Price

Base mid represents the bot's estimate of the probability:

`mid_shaded = mid - skew`

- **Skewing** pushes mid **against inventory** to flatten exposure:
 - Long inventory → mid moves **down**
 - Short inventory → mid moves **up**

Spread

Spread widens based on:

- **Order Flow Imbalance** (buying vs selling pressure)
- **Inventory Risk** (size of current position)

Calculation:

```
spread_factor = 1 + abs(imbalance)/10 + abs(inventory)*inventory_skew
spread = clip(base_spread * spread_factor, min_spread, max_spread)
```

Quote Size

Size shrinks as inventory grows:

```
size = max(1, 10 / (1 + 0.01 * abs(inventory)))
```

This prevents runaway risk in one direction.

3. Handling Imbalanced Order Flow

The bot tracks a rolling imbalance window of recent trades:

```
imbalance = sum(last_20_flows)
```

Reaction to One-Sided Flow

- **Spreads widen sharply** to avoid adverse selection.
- **Mid adjusts slowly** in the direction of persistent buying/selling.
- **Quote skewing** discourages adding more inventory in the same direction.

Example:

Heavy buying →

- ✓ mid drifts up
- ✓ ask widens
- ✓ bid drops slightly
- ✓ size reduces

This stabilizes the bot under pressure.

4. Risk Management Logic

The bot uses layered risk controls:

1. Inventory-Based Mid Skewing

Pushes quotes toward neutralizing risk.

2. Spread Widening

More risk → wider spreads.

3. Size Reduction

Inventory $\uparrow \rightarrow$ quote size \downarrow .

4. Defensive Repricing (80% of limit)

```
if abs(inventory) > 0.8 * limit:  
    mid -= 0.001 * sign(inventory)
```

Acts as an emergency "unwind mode."

5. Hard Limits

- **Inventory limit:** 200
- **Exposure limit:** \$10,000
Orders are rejected if limits would be breached.

5. Stability After Disconnects or Data Gaps

The design is resilient to interruptions:

- **State stored centrally** (inventory, mid, spread, PnL).
- **Imbalance window bounded** (max 20 entries) \rightarrow prevents stale signals.
- **Quotes are always recomputed from state**, so the bot can resume at any tick.
- **Spread floor and ceiling** prevents extreme reactions on restart.
- **Mean reversion** nudges mid slowly back to neutral if no new data arrives.

Overall:

- ✓ No dependence on unbounded history
- ✓ Controlled adaptation
- ✓ Self-stabilizing quoting logic

High-Level System Architecture

Components:

- Execution Engine – Generates order flow & routes orders.
- Market Maker Bot – Computes mid, quotes bid/ask, manages risk.
- Market State Store – Tracks inventory, pnl, fills, exposure.
- Matching Logic – Matches trader orders vs bot quotes.
- Logger – Records JSON trace + CSV metrics.

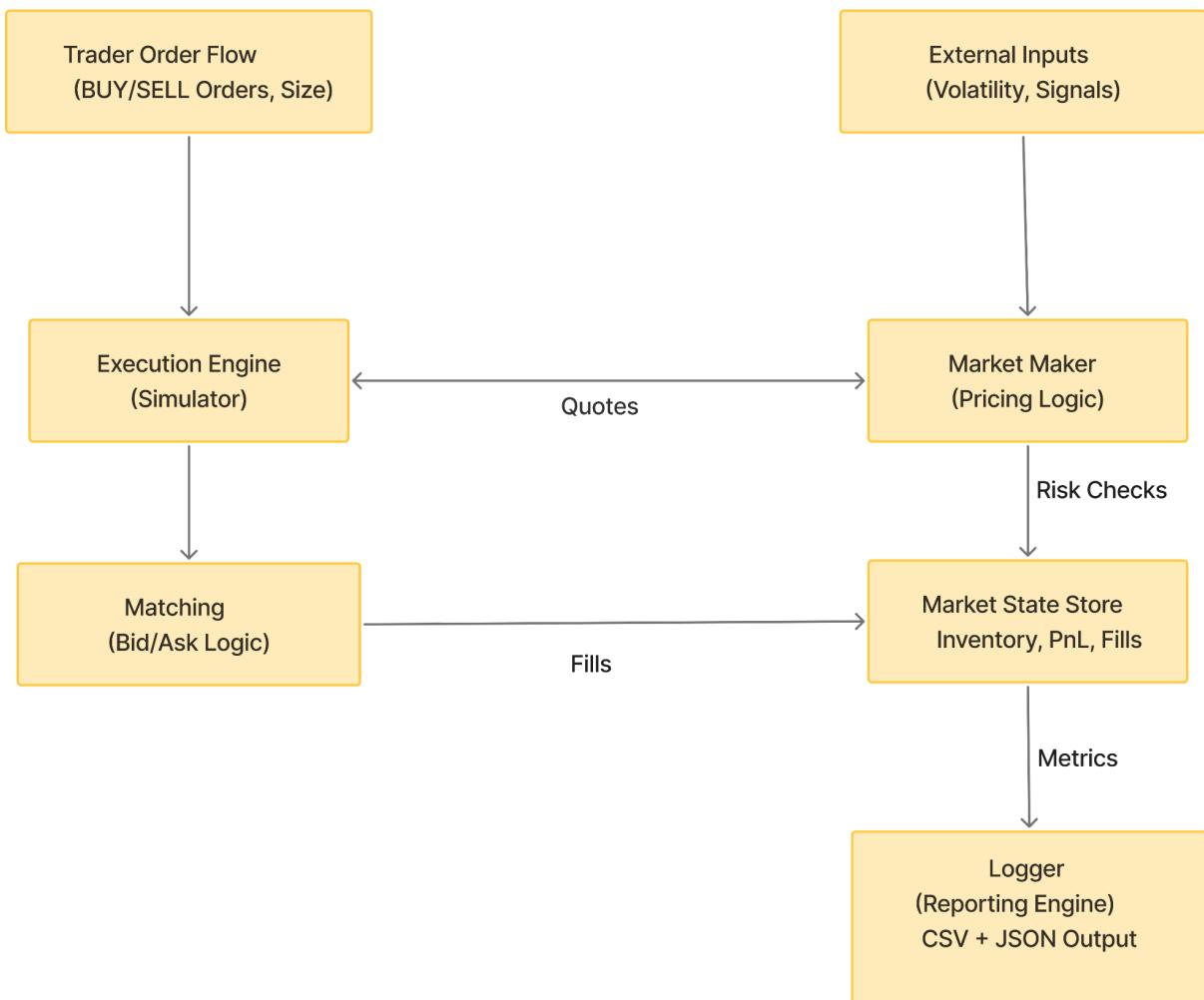
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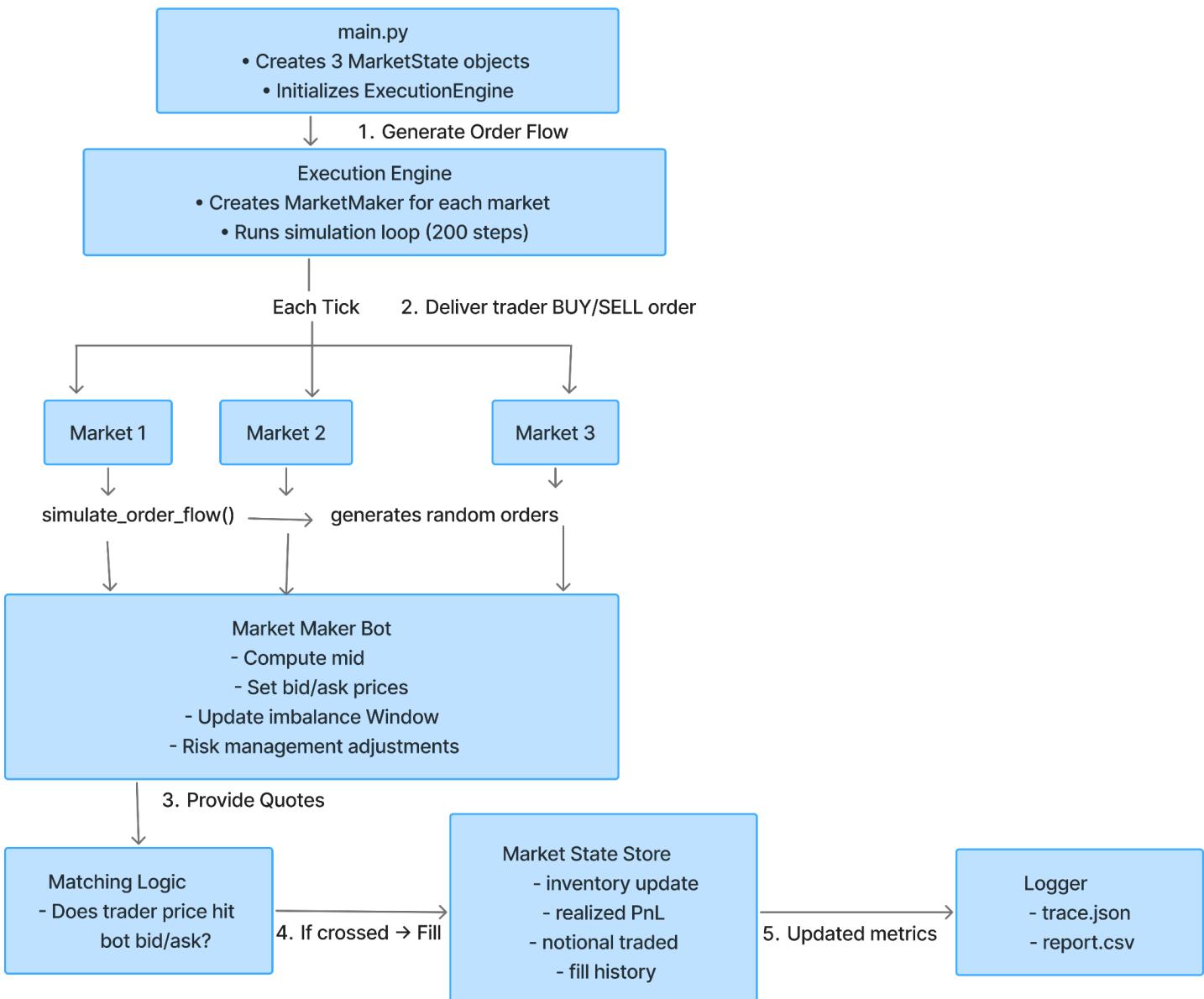
1. Trader Flow → Execution Engine
2. Execution Engine → Market Maker (order)
3. Market Maker → Execution Engine (bid/ask quote)
4. Execution Engine → Matching Logic
5. Matching Logic → Market State (fills)
6. Market State → Logger (pnl, inventory, fills)

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System Architecture Diagram



Data Flow Diagram



Final Summary

This Market Maker bot is a **probability-based quoting engine** designed for **binary prediction markets**. It adapts to order flow, protects itself from inventory risk, and ensures stability across market regimes. The system architecture, data flow, and risk-aware quote generation create a robust simulation of real-world market making behaviour.