Summary

The boidpower oracle is an on-chain management contract for Boid-associated devices and accounts. This service is provided by the Boid-appointed registrar and the Boid-trusted validators. Validators form a consensus on the boidpower contribution quantity by assessing the contributions of individual devices to the overall Boid network. Devices shall contribute to any or none of the valid Boid-associated computational protocols. Boid accounts to gain power through associated devices. Validator performance is tracked based off of the quality of their consensus with other validators.

Terminology

Device : Computational device on the boid network

Account : Boid token holder

Protocol: Computational protocol (e.g. BOINC, RAVEN mining). Protocols are found in the protocols table at the registrar account scope and the protocol_type index. Correct protocol type must be found by matching protocol_name in the `protocols` table. This is done so for adherence to eosio table primary indexing specifications

Validator: Reporter of device performance

Power: Quantitative device performance

Rating/report : Description of device contribution

Weight: The amount of trust given to a specific validator for a specific protocol. A minimum weight must be reached in summation of all contributing validators in order for a report to be considered valid

Validation: Power report that has reached consensus

Round : The time frame for which a report is valid. Nearest UTC hour since epoch measured in microseconds

Contract initialization

regregistrar(registrar, tokencontract)

- Only contract owner may register new registrar
- Register registrar account and associate with the BOID token contract

addprotocol(protocol_name, description, meta, difficulty)

- Only registrar may add new protocols
- Must first call with `addprotocol('null', 'null protocol', '', 0);`

regvalidator(validator)

- Only registrar may add new validators
- Register validators

addvalprot(validator, protocol_type, weight)

- Only registrar may add new protocols to a validator
- Add protocol for a validator and give the validator a specific validation weight. This specifies that the validator expects to validate reports for a specific protocol_type
- Only valid protocol type shall be added to a validator except for the null protocol

How to register new devices

regdevice(owner, device_key, registrar_registration)

- Only device owner or power oracle registrar may register devices
- Register a device for which validators may submit reports
- Devices shall only be associated with valid Boid accounts already present in the boidtoken contract

regdevprot(owner, device_key, protocol_type)

- Only device owner or power oracle registrar may register new protocol for their device

What to do as a validator

updaterating(validator, account, device_key, round_start, round_end, rating, protocol_type)

- Only validator may submit new power rating
- Submit new power rating to be validated
- Ratings may only be submitted for the closest valid UTC hour measured in microseconds (i.e. a multiple of 3600e6)
- Validator ratings are considered valid if they are not an outlier with respect to the other ratings submitted for the same round

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q1 = quartile 1

q3 = quartile 3

iqr = q3 - q1

outlier = (rating > q3 + iqr) or (rating < q1 - iqr)
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- Median value for a validated report is chosen as the rating submitted to the boidtoken contract for the associated device
- Any rating for a round further along in time will cause the round to move forward and unvalidated reports to be thrown out

TODO

- Check account exists in boidtoken contract when new account is created through regdevice()
- Action to payout to validators
- Change protocol_type to be sha256 hash of protocol name