

# SMA Algorithm Developer Spec

## Constants

*TargetBlockDelay* = 1 (second)

*DifficultyAdjustmentWindowSize* = 2640 (blocks)

*TimestampDeviationTolerance* = 132 (block delays)

*MaxTimeOffsetSeconds* = *TimestampDeviationTolerance* \* *TargetBlockDelay*

## Algorithm

*blockWindow(b block, size int)*:

1. return last *size* blocks in *b.Past* by Phantom order

*calcBlockTarget(b block)*:

1. *bluestParent* = *b.parents.bluest()*
2. *DifficultyAdjustmentWindow* = *blockWindow(bluestParent, DifficultyAdjustmentWindowSize)*
3. *AdjustmentFactor* = (*DifficultyAdjustmentWindow.MaxTimestamp* - *DifficultyAdjustmentWindow.MinTimestamp*) / (*TargetBlockDelay* \* *DifficultyAdjustmentWindowSize*)
4. return *DifficultyAdjustmentWindow.AverageTarget* \* *AdjustmentFactor*

## Changes to block acceptance rules

Do not accept block *b* if any of the following is true:

1. Block in the future: *b.Timestamp* - *systemClock.Now* > *MaxTimeOffsetSeconds*
  - a. In this case, don't reject, but rather delay until it's time is acceptable
2. Block in the past: *b.Timestamp* < *blockWindow(b, 2 \* TimestampDeviationTolerance - 1).MedianTimestamp*