

Orderbook Stream

This feature aims to provide real-time and accurate orderbook updates. Complete orderbook activities are streamed to the client and can be used to construct a full depth L3 orderbook. Streams are implemented using the existing gRPC query service from Cosmos SDK.

The initial implementation only contains orders but not trades. Also note that by dYdX V4's design, the orderbook can be slightly different across different nodes.

Disclaimer: It's possible for the full node to block indefinitely when sending a message to an unresponsive client, so right now we recommend you use this exclusively with your own node and that the client always close the gRPC stream before shutting down. This issue will be fixed in the next version.

Enabling gRPC Streaming

This feature can be enabled via a command line flag (`--grpc-streaming-enabled=true`) when starting your full node. This feature can only be used on non validating full nodes and when grpc is also enabled.

Further, please ensure your full node binary is v3.0.1, or v4.0.1 when it becomes mandatory on April 8, 2024 (subject to governance vote).

Consuming the gRPC Stream

To follow along with [Google's documentation on gRPC streaming clients \(opens in a new tab\)](#):

1. Clone the [github.com/dydxprotocol/v4-chain \(opens in a new tab\)](#)
2. repository at same version as your full node.
3. Generate the protos: `make proto-gen && make proto-export-deps`
4. .
5. The generated protos are now in the `proto-export-deps`
6. directory.
7. Use the protobuf compiler (protoc) to [generate stubs \(opens in a new tab\)](#)
8. in any supported language.
9. Follow the documentation to write a streaming client.

For Python, the corresponding code is already generated in [the v4-proto PyPi package \(opens in a new tab\)](#).

Request / Response

To subscribe to the stream, the client can send a 'StreamOrderbookUpdatesRequest' specifying the clob pair ids to subscribe to.

```
// StreamOrderbookUpdatesRequest is a request message for the // StreamOrderbookUpdates method. message
StreamOrderbookUpdatesRequest { // Clob pair ids to stream orderbook updates for. repeated uint32 clob_pair_id =
```

```
1 ; } Response will contain the orderbook updates (Add/Remove/Update), whether the updates are coming from a snapshot,
and a few fields used for debugging issues.
```

```
// StreamOrderbookUpdatesResponse is a response message for the // StreamOrderbookUpdates method. message
StreamOrderbookUpdatesResponse { // Orderbook updates for the clob pair. repeated
dydxprotocol.indexer.off_chain_updates.OffChainUpdateV1 updates =
```

```
1 [ (gogoproto.nullable) =
```

```
false ];
```

```
// Snapshot indicates if the response is from a snapshot of the orderbook. // This is true for the initial response and false for
all subsequent updates. // Note that if the snapshot is true, then all previous entries should be // discarded and the orderbook
should be resynced. bool snapshot =
```

```
2 ;
```

```
// ---Additional fields used to debug issues--- // Block height of the updates. uint32 block_height =
```

```
3 ;
```

```
// Exec mode of the updates. uint32 exec_mode =
```

```
4 ; }
```

Maintaining a local orderbook

After subscribing to the orderbook updates:

- Use the orderbook in the snapshot as the starting orderbook.
- Add the corresponding order to the end of the price level when OrderPlaceV1
- is received.

```
func (l * LocalOrderbook) AddOrder (order v1types.IndexerOrder) { l. Lock () defer l. Unlock ()  
if _, ok := l.OrderIdToOrder[order.OrderId]; ok { l.Logger. Error ( "order already exists in orderbook" ) }  
subticks := order. GetSubticks () if order.Side == v1types.IndexerOrder_SIDE_BUY { if _, ok := l.Bids[subticks]; ! ok {  
l.Bids[subticks] =  
make ([]v1types.IndexerOrder, 0 ) } l.Bids[subticks] =  
append (l.Bids[subticks], order) } else { if _, ok := l.Asks[subticks]; ! ok { l.Asks[subticks] =  
make ([]v1types.IndexerOrder, 0 ) } l.Asks[subticks] =  
append (l.Asks[subticks], order) }
```

l.OrderIdToOrder[order.OrderId]

```
order l.OrderRemainingAmount[order.OrderId] =
```

```
0 } * Update the order remaining size when OrderUpdateV1 * is received
```

```
func (l * LocalOrderbook) SetOrderRemainingAmount (orderId v1types.IndexerOrderId, totalFilledQuantums uint64 ) { l. Lock  
( ) defer l. Unlock ()
```

```
order := l.OrderIdToOrder[orderId] if totalFilledQuantums
```

```
    order.Quantums { l.Logger. Error ( "totalFilledQuantums > order.Quantums" ) } l.OrderRemainingAmount[orderId]  
    = order.Quantums - totalFilledQuantums } * Remove the order from the orderbook when OrderRemoveV1 * is  
    received.
```

```
func (l * LocalOrderbook) RemoveOrder (orderId v1types.IndexerOrderId) { l. Lock () defer l. Unlock ()
```

```
if _, ok := l.OrderIdToOrder[orderId]; ! ok { l.Logger. Error ( "order not found in orderbook" ) }
```

```
order := l.OrderIdToOrder[orderId] subticks := order. GetSubticks ()
```

```
if order.Side == v1types.IndexerOrder_SIDE_BUY { for i, o :=
```

```
range l.Bids[subticks] { if o.OrderId == order.OrderId { l.Bids[subticks] =
```

```
append ( l.Bids[subticks][:i], l.Bids[subticks][i + 1 :] ... , ) break } } if
```

```
len (l.Bids[subticks]) ==
```

```
0 { delete (l.Bids, subticks) } } else { for i, o :=
```

```
range l.Asks[subticks] { if o.OrderId == order.OrderId { l.Asks[subticks] =
```

```
append ( l.Asks[subticks][:i], l.Asks[subticks][i + 1 :] ... , ) break } } if
```

```
len (l.Asks[subticks]) ==
```

```
0 { delete (l.Asks, subticks) } }
```

```
delete (l.OrderRemainingAmount, orderId) delete (l.OrderIdToOrder, orderId) }
```

Example Scenario

- Trader places a bid at price 100 for size 1* OrderPlace, price = 100, size = 1
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- OrderUpdate, total filled amount = 0
- Trader replaces that original bid to be price 99 at size 2* OrderRemove
- - OrderPlace, price = 99, size = 2
- - OrderUpdate, total filled amount = 0
- Another trader submits an IOC ask at price 100 for size 1.* Full node doesn't see this matching anything so no updates.
- Block is confirmed that there was a fill for the trader's original order at price 100 for size 1 (BP didn't see the order replacement)* OrderUpdate, total filled amount = 1

FAQs

Q: Suppose the full node saw the cancellation of order X at t0 before the placement of the order X at t1. What would the updates be like?

- A: No updates because the order was never added to the book

Q: A few questions because it often results in crossed books: In which cases shall we not expect to see OrderRemove message?

- Post only reject? → PO reject won't have a removal since they were never added to the book
- IOC/FIK auto cancel? → IOC/FOK also won't have a removal message for similar reason
- Order expired outside of block window? → expired orders will generate a removal message
- Passive limit order was fully filled → fully filled maker will generate a removal message
- Aggressive limit order was fully filled? → fully filled taker won't have a removal

Q: The update order message is only for trades? Shall we expect to see 2 updates for each trade because there are 2 orders together?

- A: Current implementation only sends an update for maker

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