

As the first epoch is on the verge of conclusion, and prior to [@chaoslabs](#) proposing a rewards distribution, I would like to address a significant concern related to wash trading.

What constitutes wash trading in the opinion of [@chaoslabs](#)?

I understand that in dydxv4 there is a very small pool of traders and market makers, which consequently means that situations where we encounter the same maker-taker pair during matching are likely to occur quite frequently. I am not asking you to disclose the full methodology for identifying wash traders; rather, I seek a general understanding of the process.

For instance, there are a pair of accounts with the following characteristics:

1. An event where account1 is the maker and Account2 is the taker occurs more than 1000 times, and vice versa, also more than 1000 times.
2. These accounts have similar sources of funds and are connected to the same addresses in EVM networks.

Can these accounts be called wash traders?