Overview

In light of recent market changes, Chaos Labs recommends decreasing the Slope 1 parameter for stablecoins by 0.5 percentage points. These changes will be implemented through the risk steward process.

Motivation

The utilization for stablecoins across Aave has continued to fall in recent weeks as the market has cooled off and speculative activity has decreased. The chart below shows the median stablecoin utilization on each Aave V3 instance, with each line weighted according to the total stablecoin borrow on that deployment.

On Ethereum Core, the instance with the most stablecoin borrowing, this has been clearly displayed in the USDC and USDT markets, which have both dipped below 80% utilization.

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On Arbitrum, utilization of USDC and USDT has been volatile but well below UOptimal, further indicating that it is appropriate to decrease Slope 1.

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As a result, we recommend decreasing the Slope 1 for all stablecoins on Aave V3 by 50 bps. The exception to this is AUSD; its Slope 1 is currently lower than the target, and thus we recommend increasing its Slope 1 by 50 bps. Additionally, in the USDS (Ethereum Core) and GHO (Ethereum Prime) markets we recommend adjusting the Base rate rather than Slope 1 given their unique IR curves.

Specification

Protocol

Instance

Asset

Current Slope1

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Current Base

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Aave V3

Ethereum Core

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Next Steps

We will move forward and implement these updates via the Risk Steward process.

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