The MEV Letter is a weekly collection of papers, articles and resources related to MEV. The intention of this letter is to provide a comprehensive summary of the latest research, discussions, and developments in the space, with links for further reading.

Papers & Articles

- <u>Launching the PBS Foundation: Working Together to Keep Ethereum's Consensus Layer Decentralized</u>announces
 the pilot phase of <u>PBS Foundation</u> with the mission to spearhead research pertaining to PBS and provide
 infrastructure support for those committed to PBS.
- · Post by Eugene Leventhal
- Post by Consensys
- Post by Uniswap Foundation
- Post by Fenbushi Capital
- Thread by Coinbase Cloud
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- <u>Strategic Bidding Wars in On-chain Auctions</u>by <u>Fei Wu, Thomas Thiery, Stefanos Leonardos</u> and <u>Carmine Ventre</u> study how latency, orderflow, and auction design aspects affect bidding performance and strategy effectiveness in MEV-Boost.
- <u>Execution Tickets</u> by <u>Mike Neuder</u> and <u>Justin Drake</u> details a blockspace market for buying and selling Execution Tickets

that entitle the owner to propose future blocks. *Post by Mike Neuder

- Thread by Alex Nezlobin
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- Thread by Alex Nezlobin
- <u>P2P.org's Staking & Infrastructure Report</u> by <u>P2P</u> gives an overview of the Ethereum infrastructure, including the current state of MEV, PBS, and L2 sequencing.
- Thread by P2P
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- Empirical analysis of the impact of block delays on the consensus layer by mxs@kiln.fi presents data on the impact of intentional, and non-intentional, delays by proposers.
- The MEV Book: A Comprehensive Guide To Maximal Extractable Value by Tuukka Tuomikoski and Carlos Monteiro
 dives into the history and current state of MEV, and explore the potential impact of SUAVE.
- Thread by Tuukka Tuomikoski
- Audio-format by Monoceros
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- Auctions: context, types of auctions, what is an auction from the Auction Theory Perspective and from the Mechanism
 Design Perspective, and EIP-1559 as a specific example by Lisa A. explore the applications and significance of auctions in blockchains.
- Thread by Taiko

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- Reflections #4: Research Recap by Chorus One gives a recap of their research published in 2023, covering topics such as cross-chain MEV, shared security, PBS and latency.
- <u>Timing Games and Implications on MEV extraction</u> by <u>Chorus One</u> provides a summary of <u>The cost of artificial latency</u> in the PBS context

by **Umberto Natale** that highlight observations and key results.

- Analyzing BFT & Proposer-Promised Preconfirmations by Espresso Systems analyze BFT preconfirmations and Proposer-Promised preconfirmations, both external and opt-in protocols run by L1 validators.
- Thread by Espresso Systems
- Thread by Espresso Systems
- <u>Unlocking PBS with CL Verification of "block.coinbase" (E.G. Multi Tx Flashloans)</u>by <u>Alex Watts</u> presents novel primitives that could be unlocked if builders would sign and prove the ownership of their block's coinbase address.
- Post by Alex Watts
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- Espresso Systems and Offchain Labs release R&D roadmap for Decentralized Timeboost by Espresso Systems
 presents a roadmap for the development of a decentralized version of Timeboost compatible with the Espresso
 Sequencer.
- Thread by Espresso Systems
- Thread by Offchain Labs
- Space with Ed Felten and Ben Fisch
- Thread by Espresso Systems
- · Thread by Offchain Labs
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- Introducing the Validator Gateway: Boost Your Ethereum Validator Rewards by bloXroute Labs announce a new feature for proposers connected to bloXroute relays that adds an artificial delay in proposal duties to increase rewards.
- Thread by bloXroute Labs
- Thread by bloXroute Labs
- What Does It Take To Be a Block Builder by Cryptic Woods introduces penguinbuild.org and its vision to become the largest neutral block builder on Ethereum.
- Loss versus Rebalancing 101 by <u>Alphaist</u> details the mechanisms of LVR, underlying causes and potential countermeasures.
- Back-Testing Transaction Policies with Cryo & Analysis of Preventable DEX Slippage by Shield3 present a library for decoding transaction payloads to detect max slippage and calculate preventable slippage for swaps on Uniswap.
- Thread by Isaac Patka
- Thread by storm
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- <u>Timing Games MEV CC 7</u> by <u>Data Always</u> provides a summary, transcript, and thoughts on the latest<u>MEV-Boost community call</u> with a focus on timing games.

Posts & Threads

 <u>bloXroute Labs</u> published an <u>announcement</u> to inform that their relays will no longer accept blocks that interact with addresses appearing on the OFAC SDN list. Decentralizing Power & The Great Community by Andy shares excerpts from The Public and Its Problems

by John Dewey and explore how these relate to the stories surrounding MEV and SUAVE.

- <u>aori</u> published a <u>thread</u> to announce the launch of their protocol on Arbitrum to connect CEX-DEX arbitrageurs, searchers, solvers, and market makers through a high-frequency order book.
- <u>Uniswap Foundation</u> published a <u>thread</u> that highlights supported research in 2023 on topics such as cross-chain MEV, pricing orderflow, and MEV estimation.
- <u>CoW DAO</u> published a <u>thread</u> that provides links and summaries of their talks at Devconnect Istanbul on topics such as LVR, MEV, and AMM design.
- <u>Alex Watts</u> published a <u>thread</u> on how SUAVE can improve smart wallets by enabling composable and programmable operation bundling.
- <u>Tarun Chitra</u> published a <u>thread</u> on the type of MEV that appears from a protocol that favors safety over liveness, and vice versa.
- Chorus One published a thread on The cost of artificial latency in the PBS contextby Umberto Natale that details the implications of artificial latency in the MEV-Boost auction.
- <u>Titan Builder</u> published a <u>post</u> to notify searchers of a new feature being tested that allows searchers to specify the target position of their bundles within a block.
- Spicypunk.eth published a thread summarizing their research on the challenges with tracking historical CEX-DEX arbitrage, and findings from a two week case study between Osmosis and Binance.
- <u>Jünger</u> published a <u>post</u> on how SGX can be used in multi-proof systems alongside cryptographic proofs, as a way to diversify and minimize potential errors and vulnerabilities.
- <u>Blocknative</u> published a <u>thread</u> to highlight new features of <u>Ethernow</u>, including a filter for private transactions and enhancements to their historical mempool archive.
- <u>API3</u> published a <u>thread</u> that details a large liquidation that followed an oracle price update to highlight the lack of a mechanisms that can redistribute this value.

Talks & Discussions

- Recordings from censorship.wtf by T&T have been uploaded, the event explored censorship resistance across the Ethereum stack and beyond, with speakers presenting from both Istanbul and Prague.
- Recordings from Good INTENT-ions by Brink have been uploaded with talks on intent-based architectures, MEV, cross-chain intents, and more.
- Cow Swap: Gasless Transactions, MEV Protection, The Best Priced Swaps by blocmates invites Anna George to discuss MEV protection, meta-aggregation, intents, and RFQ-systems.
- <u>Bell Curve</u>: <u>DEXs: Minimizing MEV, Fee Market Developments, and Superior DEX Designswith Michael Ippolito</u> and <u>Dan Robinson</u> recap their latest season and discuss key themes such as MEV mitigation in DEX design, fee market structures, and Uniswap v4.
- · Scraping Bits:
- MEV Searcher Commercialization; Competing With UniswapX's Orderbook invites Joshua Baker to dive into CEX-DEX arbitrage, searcher commercialization, UniswapX, and Aori.
- MEV Chokepoint: Relaying 42% Of All Blocks On Ethereum To Validators invites Uri Klarman to discuss MEV, the current state of PBS, operating MEV-Boost relays, and the broader implications for Ethereum users and validators.
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- <u>Protect Yourself Against MEV Sandwich Attacks</u> hosted by <u>Jen</u> invites <u>Sophie Liu</u> and <u>Mark Richardson</u> to provide an overview of sandwich attacks and what users can do to protect themselves.
- StarknetCC: Encrypted mempool and shared sequencers by AJ Park explore how developers can build L3s on Starknet using encrypted mempools and shared sequencers.

Other

- <u>MEV-Share Atomic Arbooors</u> by <u>Flashbots</u> provides insights into the activity and profitability of searchers performing atomic arbitrage via <u>MEV-Share</u>.
- Atomic Arbitrages by hildobby presents data on atomic arbitrage performed on Ethereum and 9 other EVMs.
- Thread by hildobby
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- <u>libMEV</u> by <u>Cryptic Woods</u> now includes data on <u>block builders'</u> market share and profits.
- Primo Data is a directory of blockchain data resources.
- Post by Primo Data
- · Thread by storm
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- <u>Sandwich Detector</u> by <u>EigenPhi</u> is a Telegram mini-app that allows users to search and determine if an address has been sandwiched on Ethereum and BSC in the past 30 days.
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