

Fusotao Greenbook(Draft)

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1 Introduction

Fusotao is a set of network protocols which are composed of either a rule of data consistency or some certain constraints of data modification including not only a transfer constraint but also a matching verification rule. The matching verification sub-protocol, a.k.a Proof of Matching, is the main difference from other blockchains.

2 Matching System

Before start introducing Fusotao Protocol, let's take a look at the matching system and consider why a matcher's outputs should be verified.

Matching system is a trading platform that allows users to price orders. The core component of a matching system is a data structure named orderbook which stores all orders that are according to the price and time, and a placed order must follow the sequence to trade if price meets, while the owner of an order would be ignored. Usually, in order to trade on a matching system, users may hand over their account ownership so that the matcher can mutate the accounts, in another word, trading on matchers should reply on human trust.

Any data modifications should obey the rules below:

Rule 1 *Mutable data should not be shared, and shared data should be immutable.*

Rule 2 *There should be only one associated mutator once data shared.*

Compared to the transfer transaction, the matcher, as a mutator, must modify the orderbook's state for each order rather than just update the states of sender and receiver. Therefore, a matching system is a strict serial system which can be represented by the following procedure:

$$E_i + Orderbook_{i-1} \Rightarrow Orderbook_i + R_i$$

Consider an order placed. Let x be a price, y be an amount, (x_i, y_i) be the i_{th} maker by the order of price and time.

$$mb_i = -y_i$$

$$tb = \sum_i y_i$$

$$mq_i = -x_i \times y_i$$

$$tq = \sum_i x_i \times y_i$$

where

- $matches(x, x_i)$ is *true*

Blockchain is another typical serial system whose key rule is determining the order of all accepted incoming transactions. E.g. the Bitcoin network uses PoW algorithm and the Longest Chain Rule to ensure the global unique sequence of transactions. It seems natural to build a matching system on-chain just like a plain transfer function did. However, unfortunately, due to the limitation of block capacity and high latency, it is not straightforward to do it so.

Ideally, to implement a matching system on-chain, an order must occupy 73 bytes at least:

$$ID + Owner + Price + Unfilled + Direction = 73bytes$$

where

- *Price* and *Unfilled* are 128-bits fixed number
- *ID* indicates the order
- *Owner* is the pubkey of user
- *Direction* is 1-bit direction

Imagine there are tens of thousands of orders in a single orderbook, it is not acceptable to store all orders in the blockchain state machine, but only keeping some essential data to validate the matching results is possible. In the next section, we will introduce how to validate the matching results without holding the entire orderbook.

3 Global States

Sparse Merkle Tree is a full binary hash tree with fixed-depth which can be used for checking if there is a node belongs to a certain tree. A node of Sparse Merkle Tree can be represented by the following expressions:

$$\psi_x = \lambda(\psi_{xL}, \psi_{xR}), \text{ height} \neq 0$$

$$\psi_x = v, \text{ height} = 0$$

where

- x is the key of a node calculated by $\lambda(value) \gg height$, e.g. $0x00...a82e$

The capacity of a Sparse Merkle Tree depends on the hash function of the tree, e.g. a Sparse Merkle Tree using Sha256 has 2^{256} leaf nodes with height=256(root excluded). Given a data v , we can simply verify whether it belongs to a certain tree by calculating $height - 1$ times hash function:

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let h = hash(v)
from 0 to 255:
  do h = hash(h, sibling_of_h)
return h == root
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It is quite simple for validators, but it is not good for provers. Storing all 2^{257} (intermediate nodes included) nodes is unpractical for any storage system. Considering the distribution of a real Sparse Merkle Tree, most of the leaf nodes are empty, so are the intermediate nodes, that's why we call it sparse. In an empty plain Sparse Merkle Tree, a node at height h has a certain value:

$$\psi_h = \lambda^h(\phi, \phi)$$

To avoid pre-calculate hash for each height, we can redefine the hash function like below:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda(\phi, \phi) &= \phi \\ \lambda(\alpha, \phi) &= \lambda(\phi, \alpha)\end{aligned}$$

For data updates, once a leaf node is inserted, the nodes along the path would be updated until root. Since we have the first optimization, we can infer that there will be a mount of redundant nodes along the path which can be omitted. E.g. when inserting a single node n with key= $0xff..ff$, value= v into an empty Sparse Merkle Tree, the parent node of n whose key is $0x7f..ff$ would be value= v either, so are the rest of the nodes along the path. Thus, we can define the structure of nodes to store the entire tree into an available storage:

$$\Psi_k = (k, l, r, \lambda(\Psi_{k \gg l}, \Psi_{k \gg r}))$$

Back to the matching procedure, since we've done an optimized Sparse Merkle Tree so can encode the orderbook into it and only store the root hash on chain and leave the entire tree to matchers. Once a matcher executes the i_{th} event off-chain and proves it by submitting some digests at $i - 1_{th}$, a validator can simply verify the results like above.

Fusotao defines 2 types of key as the leaf keys of Sparse Merkle Tree:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{orderbook}(\text{symbol}) &= \lambda(1, \text{symbol}) \\ \text{account}(\text{currency}) &= \lambda(0, \text{currency}) \end{aligned}$$

where

- *currency* is a 32-bits unsigned number represented currency
- *symbol* is consisted of *base* currency and *quote* currency

There are no leaf nodes for encoding orders, instead, the sum of the orderbook's size is enough for validators except the condition that the matcher doesn't pick the best makers. In the further future, we may add the best price to each orderbook node to get rid of this.

A matcher has a specific global state at the i_{th} event which can be verified by the leaf values:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{orderbook}_i &= \text{ask}_i \ll 128 + \text{bid}_i \\ \text{account}_i &= \text{available}_i \ll 128 + \text{frezed}_i \end{aligned}$$

where

- all numerics are 128-bits represented unsigned fixed number with *scale*=18

4 Proof of Matching

Given a user-signed event E_i and some merkle paths $P_{(i-1,j)}$ at $i-1$, a validator can verify it using a matching procedure with well-known root hash S_{i-1} stored on-chain:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^n \text{belongs}(P_{(i-1,j)}, S_{i-1}) &= n \\ P_{(i-1,j)} + E_i &\Rightarrow S_i + P_{(i,j)} \\ \sum_{j=0}^n \text{belongs}(P_{(i,j)}, S_i) &= n \end{aligned}$$

A matcher must maintain a Sparse Merkle Tree and update it every time after the event is applied. Let (x, y) be an ask-limit order's price and amount of symbol (b/q) as the i_{th} event, (x_j, y_j) be the j_{th} maker exists at $i-1$, then the proof generated by matcher would be (Fee not included):

$$\text{account}(b)_{(i,j)} = \text{account}(b)_{(i-1,j)} + y_j \ll 128$$

$$\begin{aligned}
account(q)_{(i,j)} &= account(q)_{(i-1,j)} - x_j \times y_j \\
account(b)_i &= account(b)_{i-1} - \sum_j y_j << 128 + y - \sum_j y_j \\
account(q)_i &= account(q)_{i-1} + \sum_j x_j \times y_j << 128 \\
orderbook(b, q)_i &= orderbook(b, q)_{i-1} + (y - \sum_j y_j) << 128 + orderbook(b, q)_{i-1} - \sum_j y_j
\end{aligned}$$

Once verified, the accounts can be mutated and update the root hash stored on-chain to S_i .

5 Substrate Implementation & Cross-Chain

As an abstract protocol, PoM can either be built on existing blockchains as a series of contracts or run as an independent network. Considering the gas fee and latency, we decide to implement Fusotao protocol over Substrate as a permissionless network which permits submitting proofs with zero-cost and low-latency. In this scenario, Fusotao network acts as a decentralized infrastructure rather than a specific DEX. Thus, users may not handle over their account's ownership to a matcher but just authorize the mutation rights.

Substrate is a complete blockchain framework with a set of built-in tools including Level DB storage, libp2p communication, etc. Especially, the cryptography of Substrate is fully retained in Fusotao runtime which makes it much reliable. Therefore, the Sr25519 (Schnorrkel/Ristretto x25519) keys for user signature and Ed25519 keys for node signature used in other Substrate-based networks can be recognized in Fusotao network by changing the first type byte of ss58check address to constant 42. The acceptable Fusotao ss58check address format is shown below:

$$address = base58(type(42) + pubkey(32bytes) + checksum(2bytes))$$

The Fusotao runtime provides a set of core APIs about PoM:

- *claim* Claim as a matcher and prover by staking 1% TAOs of current insurance.
- *prove* Submit the original user-signed order and associated proof.
- *grant* Authorize a matcher some tokens without transferring ownership.
- *revoke* Revoke authorization from a matcher.

As an isolated network, it is necessary to bring existing assets to Fusotao. Inspired by NEAR Rainbow Bridge, Fusotao provides a trustless component bridging to NEAR

main net called Avatar Messenger. Avatar Messenger consists of a contract deployed on NEAR network as a light client of Fusotao, a built-in pallet integrated in Fusotao runtime as a NEAR light client and a relayer who is responsible to relay blocks to each others. Fortunately, NEAR and Substrate both support Ed25519 signed block, bridging to NEAR is much easier than bridging to Ethereum. Because a finalized block will always be within the canonical chain, which means both clients do not need worry about the chain fork, and the relayer doesn't have to submit all blocks.