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Payment Channel Networks for Blockchain-based Cryptocurrencies



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Although cryptocurrencies have witnessed explosive growth in the past year, they have also raised many concerns. Suffering from the large overhead of global consensus and security assurance, even leading cryptocurrencies can only handle up to tens of transactions per second, which largely limits their applications in real-world scenarios. Among many proposals to improve cryptocurrency scalability, one of the most promising and mature solutions is the payment channel network (PCN), which offers off-chain settlement of transactions with minimal involvement of expensive blockchain operations. We look at the application of PCN in blockchain-based cryptocurrencies, investigate the problem of payment routing in PCN, as well as the challenges and opportunities in this area.