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1 About Cairo Security Clan

Cairo Security Clan is a leading force in the realm of blockchain security, dedicated to fortifying the foundations of the digital age. As pioneers in the field, we specialize in conducting meticulous smart contract security audits, ensuring the integrity and reliability of decentralized applications built on blockchain technology.

At Cairo Security Clan, we boast a multidisciplinary team of seasoned professionals proficient in blockchain security, cryptography, and software engineering. With a firm commitment to excellence, our experts delve into every aspect of the Web3 ecosystem, from foundational layer protocols to application-layer development. Our comprehensive suite of services encompasses smart contract audits, formal verification, and real-time monitoring, offering unparalleled protection against potential vulnerabilities.

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Beyond our core services, Cairo Security Clan is committed to driving innovation and shaping the future of blockchain technology. As active contributors to the ecosystem, we participate in the development of emerging technologies such as Starknet, leveraging our expertise to build robust infrastructure and tools. Through strategic guidance and support, we empower our partners to navigate the complexities of the blockchain landscape with confidence and clarity.

In summary, Cairo Security Clan stands at the forefront of blockchain security, blending technical prowess with a client-centric ethos to deliver unparalleled protection and peace of mind in an ever-evolving digital landscape. Join us in safeguarding the future of decentralized finance and digital assets with confidence and conviction.

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3 Executive Summary

This document presents the security review performed by [Cairo Security Clan](#) on the [Avnu](#).

AVNU is a decentralized exchange protocol designed to offer the best execution in DeFi for Layer 2. AVNU's primary goal is to provide better pricing, zero slippage, MEV-protection, and gasless trading, ensuring the most efficient and seamless operations in the DeFi space. [Learn more from docs](#).

The audit was performed using

- manual analysis of the codebase,
- automated analysis tools,
- simulation of the smart contract,
- analysis of edge test cases

6 points of attention, where 0 is classified as Critical, 0 is classified as High, 2 are classified as Medium, 3 are classified as Low, 1 is classified as Informational and 0 is classified as Best Practices. The issues are summarized in Fig. 1.

This document is organized as follows. Section 1 About Cairo Security Clan. Section 2 Disclaimer. Section 3 Executive Summary. Section 4 Summary of Audit. Section 5 Risk Classification. Section 6 Issues by Severity Levels. Section 7 Test Evaluation.

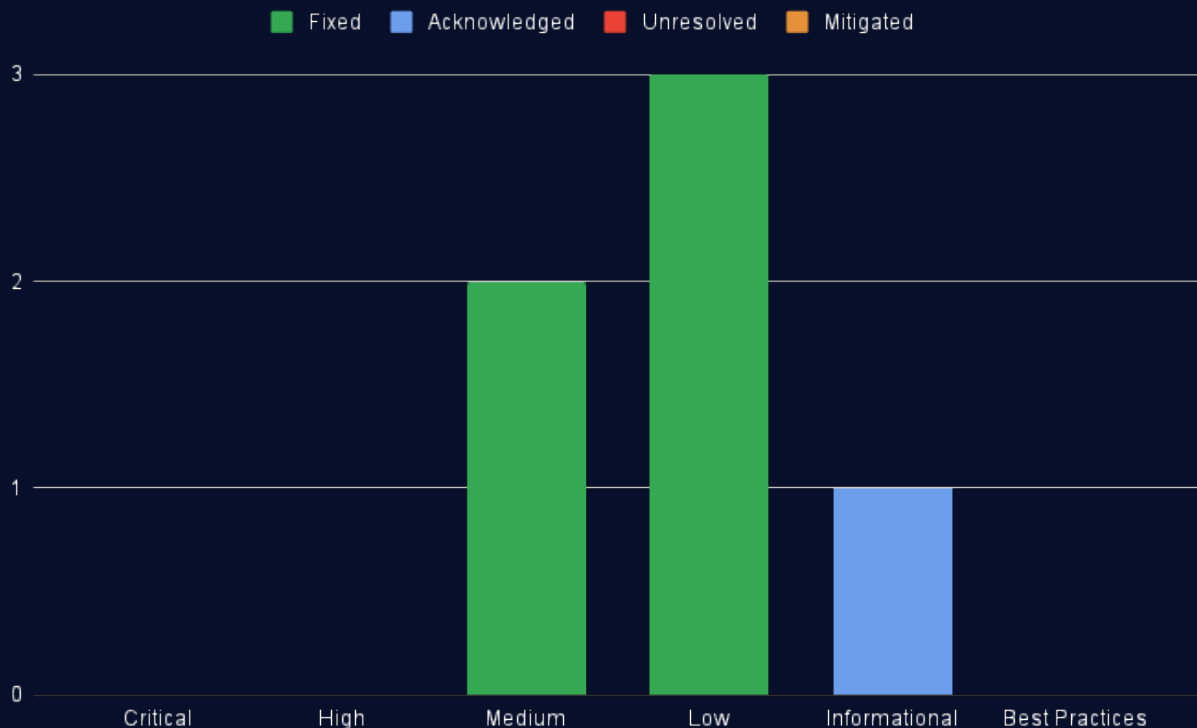


Fig 1: Distribution of issues: Critical (0), High (0), Medium (2), Low (3), Informational (1), Best Practices (0).
Distribution of status: Fixed (5), Acknowledged (1), Mitigated (0), Unresolved (0).



4 Summary of Audit

Audit Type	Security Review
Cairo Version	2.6.3
Response from Client	25/07/2024
Final Report	30/07/2024
Repository	avnu-labs/dca-contracts
Initial Commit Hash	3e3d4d10b59f13d3d46b68bb9d086b48021f5774
Final Commit Hash	572237a7bd0814d59783c8b35c7096f56f711778
Documentation	Website documentation
Test Suite Assessment	High

4.1 Scoped Files

	Contracts
1	src/components.cairo
2	src/lib.cairo
3	src/orchestrator.cairo
4	src/order.cairo
5	src/components/fee.cairo
6	src/components/ownable.cairo

4.2 Issues

	Findings	Severity	Update
1	Arbitrary call allows whitelisted caller to steal from any trader	Medium	Fixed
2	The total swapped amount could be larger than the token_from_amount specified by traders	Medium	Fixed
3	Whitelisted callers can input arbitrary trader address to receive the swapped token	Low	Fixed
4	Function execute_batch() does not validate token address match with trader's orders	Low	Fixed
5	Trader's order will have one more cycle than expected	Low	Fixed
6	Unchecked return values of ERC20 transfer	Informational	Acknowledged



5 Risk Classification

The risk rating methodology used by **Cairo Security Clan** follows the principles established by the **CVSS risk rating methodology**. The severity of each finding is determined by two factors: **Likelihood** and **Impact**.

Likelihood measures how likely an attacker will uncover and exploit the finding. This factor will be one of the following values:

- a) **High**: The issue is trivial to exploit and has no specific conditions that need to be met;
- b) **Medium**: The issue is moderately complex and may have some conditions that need to be met;
- c) **Low**: The issue is very complex and requires very specific conditions to be met.

When defining the likelihood of a finding, other factors are also considered. These can include but are not limited to Motive, opportunity, exploit accessibility, ease of discovery, and ease of exploit.

Impact is a measure of the damage that may be caused if an attacker exploits the finding. This factor will be one of the following values:

- a) **High**: The issue can cause significant damage such as loss of funds or the protocol entering an unrecoverable state;
- b) **Medium**: The issue can cause moderate damage such as impacts that only affect a small group of users or only a particular part of the protocol;
- c) **Low**: The issue can cause little to no damage such as bugs that are easily recoverable or cause unexpected interactions that cause minor inconveniences.

When defining the impact of a finding other factors are also considered. These can include but are not limited to Data/state integrity, loss of availability, financial loss, and reputation damage. After defining the likelihood and impact of an issue, the severity can be determined according to the table below.

		Likelihood		
		High	Medium	Low
Impact	High	Critical	High	Medium
	Medium	High	Medium	Low
	Low	Medium	Low	Info/Best Practices

To address issues that do not fit a High/Medium/Low severity, **Cairo Security Clan** also uses three more finding severities: **Informational**, **Best Practices** and **Gas**

- a) **Informational** findings do not pose any risk to the application, but they carry some information that the audit team intends to formally pass to the client;
- b) **Best Practice** findings are used when some piece of code does not conform with smart contract development best practices;
- b) **Gas** findings are used when some piece of code uses more gas than it should be or have some functions that can be removed to save gas.



6 Issues by Severity Levels

6.1 Medium

6.1.1 Arbitrary call allows whitelisted caller to steal from any trader

File(s): [src/orchestrator.cairo](#)

Description: In the orchestrator contract, the entry point function `execute_batch()` can only be called by a whitelisted caller address. The list of traders is passed to the function, the function loops through each trader and calls the function `initiate_order_execution()` to retrieve the input token from traders. Then, it executes a list of arbitrary calls to perform the swap.

```
1 let traders = self.retrieve_token_from(contract_address, token_from, traders.span());
2 let token_from_amount = token_from.balanceOf(contract_address);
3
4 // Execute Swap
5 while let Option::Some(call) = calls
6     .pop_front() {
7     call_contract_syscall(call.to, call.selector, call.calldata).unwrap_syscall();
8     };
```

This design is risky and assumes that users trust the whitelisted callers. If the whitelisted callers act maliciously, they can steal funds from any trader by including these two calls in the `calls` list:

- The first call is `retrieve_token_from()` to retrieve funds from traders through the order contract.
- The second call is `token_from.transfer()` to transfer/steal all retrieved funds.

Recommendation(s): Consider whitelisting the address and selector that the contract is able to call.

Status: Fixed

Update from client: Fixed in this [commit](#).

6.1.2 The total swapped amount could be larger than the `token_from_amount` specified by traders

File(s): [src/order.cairo](#)

Description: In each DCA order, the trader can specify the total amount of input token through `token_from_amount` and the amount to swap per cycle through `token_from_amount_per_cycle`. The number of cycles needed to swap all of them would be rounded up if `token_from_amount` is not divisible by `token_from_amount_per_cycle`. In this case, the last cycle would need to swap less than a normal cycle. For example, if `token_from_amount = 160` and `token_from_amount_per_cycle = 50`, we need to swap in 3 normal cycles, and the 4th cycle would only swap 10 tokens.

However, the function `initiate_order_execution()` does not have that logic and always tries to swap `token_from_amount_per_cycle`. As a result, the total swapped amount could be larger than the `token_from_amount` specified by the trader. In the example above, the total swapped amount would be 200, while the trader only wants to swap 160.

```
1 fn initiate_order_execution(ref self: ContractState) -> u256 {
2     //...
3
4     // Transfer tokens to DCA Orchestrator
5     token_from.transferFrom(trader_address, contract_address_const::<ORCHESTRATOR_ADDRESS>(), order.
6     token_from_amount_per_cycle);
7     order.token_from_amount_used += order.token_from_amount_per_cycle;
8
9     self.order.write(order);
10    order.token_from_amount_per_cycle
11 }
```

Recommendation(s): Consider adding a check in the constructor to ensure `token_from_amount` is divisible by `token_from_amount_per_cycle`.

Status: Fixed

Update from client: Fixed in this [commit](#).



6.2 Low

6.2.1 Whitelisted callers can input arbitrary trader address to receive the swapped token

File(s): [src/orchestrator.cairo](#)

Description: When the caller invokes the `execute_batch()` function to execute a batch trade, the list of traders is passed to the function. This function then loops through each trader in the list to retrieve funds from them. After performing the swap, it loops through the list again to send the swapped token to each `trader.address`.

```
1 while let Option::Some(trader) = traders
2   .pop_front() {
3     let amount_to_send = if (traders.len() == 0) {
4       ...
5     };
6     IDcaOrderDispatcher { contract_address: *trader.order_address }.fulfill_order_execution(amount_to_send);
7     token_to_amount_sent += amount_to_send;
8
9     token_to.transfer(*trader.address, amount_to_send);
10    traders_with_token_to_amount
11      .append(
12        ...
13      );
14  };
```

However, there is no validation to ensure that the `trader.address` is the owner of the order contract. Callers can input an arbitrary address to receive the funds after swapping, effectively stealing from traders.

Recommendation(s): Consider validating that `trader.address` is the same as the owner of the order contract.

Status: Fixed

Update from client: Fixed in this [commit](#).

6.2.2 Function `execute_batch()` does not validate token address match with trader's orders

File(s): [src/orchestrator.cairo](#)

Description: When the caller invokes the `execute_batch()` function to execute a batch trade, the token from and token to addresses are passed by the caller to the function. This function then loops through each trader in the traders list to retrieve funds from the traders.

However, there is no check to ensure the token addresses in the trader's orders match the addresses passed by the caller. As a result, the caller might pass in invalid traders (with different token addresses), and the function will not revert. The incorrect tokens will just be stuck in the contract.

```
1 fn retrieve_token_from(
2   ref self: ContractState, contract_address: ContractAddress, token_from: IERC20Dispatcher, mut traders: Span<
3   Trader>
4 ) -> Array<TraderWithTokenFromAmount> {
5   let mut traders_with_token_from_amount: Array<TraderWithTokenFromAmount> = array![];
6
7   while let Option::Some(trader) = traders
8     .pop_front() {
9     let token_from_amount = IDcaOrderDispatcher { contract_address: *trader.order_address }.
10    initiate_order_execution();
11    traders_with_token_from_amount
12      .append(
13        TraderWithTokenFromAmount { address: *trader.address, order_address: *trader.order_address,
14        token_from_amount }
15      );
16    traders_with_token_from_amount
17  }
```

Recommendation(s): Consider adding a check to ensure the token addresses in the trader's orders match the addresses passed into the function.

Status: Fixed

Update from client: Fixed in this [commit](#).



6.2.3 Trader's order will have one more cycle than expected

File(s): [src/order.cairo](#)

Description: In each DCA order, the trader can specify the total amount of the input token through `token_from_amount` and the amount to swap per cycle through `token_from_amount_per_cycle`. The constructor uses these two values to calculate the `iterations` value, which is the number of cycles the trade needs to be executed. The `end_date` is then calculated by adding the result of multiplying `cycle_frequency` and `iterations` with `next_cycle_at`.

```
1 let (iterations, _, _) = u256_safe_divmod(token_from_amount, u256_as_non_zero(token_from_amount_per_cycle));
2 ...
3 let end_date = next_cycle_at + cycle_frequency * iterations.try_into().unwrap();
```

However, the function `assert_next_trade_available()` checks the order end date using the condition `block_timestamp <= *order.end_date`. As a result, the order could be executed for one more cycles than it should be. Consider the scenario below:

- Alice (a trader) opens an order with the following parameters

```
1 token_from_amount = 2000
2 token_from_amount_per_cycle = 500
3 cycle_frequency = 3600 (1 hour)
4 start_at = 0 (assuming block_timestamp = 0)
```

- The calculation in the order contract constructor will be:

```
1 iterations = token_from_amount / token_from_amount_per_cycle = 4
2 next_cycle_at = 0
3 end_date = next_cycle_at + 3600 * 4 = 14400
```

As we can see, even though there should be only 4 cycles, the trade could be executed at 5 timestamps (5 cycles): 0, 3600, 7200, 10800, 14400.

Recommendation(s): Consider changing the way `end_date` is calculated in the constructor or not allowing the trade to be executed at `end_date`.

Status: Fixed

Update from client: Fixed in this [commit](#).



6.3 Informationals

6.3.1 Unchecked return values of ERC20 transfer

File(s): `src/orchestrator.cairo` , `src/order.cairo`

Description: In the codebase, there are two ERC20 transfers to move tokens between the trader's wallet and the orchestrator contract using `transfer()` and `transferFrom()`. These functions return a boolean value indicating whether the transfer succeeded or not. However, these return values are not currently checked, potentially resulting in unexpected behavior, especially if the token does not revert on failure.

```
1  /// orchestrator.cairo
2  token_to.transfer(*trader.address, amount_to_send);
3
4  /// order.cairo
5  // Transfer tokens to DCA Orchestrator
6  token_from.transferFrom(trader_address, contract_address_const:<ORCHESTRATOR_ADDRESS>(), order.
    token_from_amount_per_cycle);
```

Recommendation(s): Consider adding a check for the boolean return values.

Status: Acknowledged

Update from client: We don't think that this is necessary. If the ERC20 transfer fails, the transaction will be rejected (or reverted).



7 Test Evaluation

7.1 Compilation Output

```

1 Run scarb build
2   Updating git repository github.com/avnu-labs/avnu-contracts-lib
3   Updating git repository github.com/openzeppelin/cairo-contracts
4   Updating git repository github.com/foundry-rs/starknet-foundry
5   Compiling avnu_dca v0.1.0 (/014-AVNU-DCA/014-AVNU-DCA/contracts/Scarb.toml)
6   Finished release target(s) in 4 s

```

7.2 Tests Output

7.2.1 Cairo Tests

```

1 Run scarb test
2   Running test avnu_dca (sed -i s/0x0492139c56af6faf77119b6bca3b6d40f559af6b7b23778f068dd9ca08e407c5
   /1166415730164802550690328744940341223797107815383083168824998551848908409526/g src/order.cairo && scarb
   cairo-test && sed -i s/1166415730164802550690328744940341223797107815383083168824998551848908409526/0
   x0492139c56af6faf77119b6bca3b6d40f559af6b7b23778f068dd9ca08e407c5/g src/order.cairo)
3   Compiling test(avnu_dca_unittest) avnu_dca v0.1.0 (/014-AVNU-DCA/014-AVNU-DCA/contracts/Scarb.toml)
4   Compiling test(avnu_dca_tests) avnu_dca_tests v0.1.0 (/014-AVNU-DCA/014-AVNU-DCA/contracts/Scarb.toml)
5   Finished release target(s) in 25 s
6 testing avnu_dca ...
7 running 37 tests
8 test avnu_dca_tests::components::fee_test::GetFessRecipient::should_return_fees_recipient ... ok (gas usage est.:
   308220)
9 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::Constructor::should_fail_when_token_from_amount_per_cycle_is_zero ... ok (gas
   usage est.: 1298320)
10 test avnu_dca_tests::components::fee_test::SetFessRecipient::should_set_fess_recipient ... ok (gas usage est.:
   435490)
11 test avnu_dca_tests::components::fee_test::SetFessRecipient::should_fail_when_caller_is_not_the_owner ... ok (gas
   usage est.: 334430)
12 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::Constructor::
   should_fail_when_token_from_amount_per_cycle_higher_than_token_from_amount ... ok (gas usage est.: 1298320)
13 test avnu_dca_tests::components::fee_test::GetFeesBps::should_return_bps ... ok (gas usage est.: 308620)
14 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::Constructor::should_fail_when_too_many_iterations ... ok (gas usage est.:
   1298320)
15 test avnu_dca_tests::components::fee_test::SetFeesBps0::should_set_fees_bps_0 ... ok (gas usage est.: 437820)
16 test avnu_dca_tests::components::fee_test::SetFeesBps0::should_fail_when_fees_are_too_high ... ok (gas usage est
   .: 336360)
17 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::Constructor::should_fail_when_not_enough_iterations ... ok (gas usage est.:
   1298320)
18 test avnu_dca_tests::components::fee_test::SetFeesBps0::should_fail_when_caller_is_not_the_owner ... ok (gas
   usage est.: 336360)
19 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::Constructor::should_fail_when_cycle_frequency_is_too_low ... ok (gas usage est.:
   1297750)
20 test avnu_dca_tests::components::ownable_test::GetOwner::should_return_owner ... ok (gas usage est.: 272040)
21 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::Constructor::should_fail_when_cycle_frequency_is_too_high ... ok (gas usage est
   .: 1299260)
22 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::Constructor::should_fail_when_allows_is_too_low ... ok (gas usage est.: 1104860)
23 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::IsNextTradeAvailable::should_return_true_when_next_trade_is_available ... ok (
   gas usage est.: 2281430)
24 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::IsNextTradeAvailable::should_fail_when_order_is_not_open ... ok (gas usage est.:
   3098590)
25 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::IsNextTradeAvailable::should_fail_when_next_cycle_not_available ... ok (gas
   usage est.: 2080620)
26 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::IsNextTradeAvailable::should_fail_when_date_is_after_end_date ... ok (gas usage
   est.: 2061990)
27 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::CloseOrder::should_close_order ... ok (gas usage est.: 3060540)
28 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::CloseOrder::should_fail_when_caller_is_not_the_owner ... ok (gas usage est.:
   2229030)
29 test avnu_dca_tests::orchestrator_test::Execute::should_execute_a_dca_batch_with_multiple_traders ... ok (gas
   usage est.: 18274150)
30 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::CloseOrder::should_fail_when_allowance_is_not_zero ... ok (gas usage est.:
   2415340)

```



```
31 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::FulfillOrderExecution::should_check_pricing_strategy ... ok (gas usage est.:
    2071130)
32 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::FulfillOrderExecution::should_fail_when_token_to_amount_is_too_low ... ok (gas
    usage est.: 2070230)
33 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::FulfillOrderExecution::should_fail_when_token_to_amount_is_too_high ... ok (gas
    usage est.: 2070230)
34 test avnu_dca_tests::orchestrator_test::Execute::should_execute_a_dca_batch ... ok (gas usage est.: 7120200)
35 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::FulfillOrderExecution::should_fail_when_caller_is_not_the_orchestrator ... ok (
    gas usage est.: 1980230)
36 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::InitiateOrderExecution::should_close_order_when_execute_latest_iteration ... ok
    (gas usage est.: 4775790)
37 test avnu_dca_tests::orchestrator_test::Execute::should_fail_when_token_from_address_is_0 ... ok (gas usage est.:
    2496910)
38 test avnu_dca_tests::orchestrator_test::Execute::
    should_execute_a_dca_batch_and_send_remaining_token_from_to_fee_recipient ... ok (gas usage est.: 7653860)
39 test avnu_dca_tests::orchestrator_test::Execute::should_fail_when_token_to_address_is_0 ... ok (gas usage est.:
    2496910)
40 test avnu_dca_tests::orchestrator_test::Execute::should_fail_when_traders_is_empty ... ok (gas usage est.:
    1403470)
41 test avnu_dca_tests::orchestrator_test::Execute::should_fail_when_token_to_amount_is_not_sufficient ... ok (gas
    usage est.: 5243270)
42 test avnu_dca_tests::orchestrator_test::Execute::should_fail_when_calls_is_empty ... ok (gas usage est.: 2373480)
43 test avnu_dca_tests::orchestrator_test::Execute::should_fail_when_caller_is_not_whitelisted ... ok (gas usage est
    .: 2367900)
44 test avnu_dca_tests::order_test::Constructor::should_init_order ... ok (gas usage est.: 3744340)
45
46 test result: ok. 37 passed; 0 failed; 0 ignored; 0 filtered out;
```