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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.

Our team comprises industry veterans and scholars with extensive academic backgrounds and practical experience. Armed with advanced methodologies and cutting-edge tools, we scrutinize and analyze complex smart contracts with precision and rigor. Our track record speaks volumes, with a plethora of published research papers and citations, demonstrating our unwavering dedication to advancing the field of blockchain security.

At Cairo Security Clan, we prioritize collaboration and transparency, fostering meaningful partnerships with our clients. We believe in a customer-oriented approach, engaging stakeholders at every stage of the auditing process. By maintaining open lines of communication and soliciting client feedback, we ensure that our solutions are tailored to meet the unique needs and objectives of each project.

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 [Vesu](#) protocol.

Vesu, DeFi's latest progression in the on-chain lending space, is a pioneering platform designed to facilitate fully permissionless, over-collateralized lending agreements. With its ambitious design, Vesu looks to combine the best aspects of both worlds: a liquidity monolith with permissionless, multi-asset lending compartments aka lending pools. [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

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

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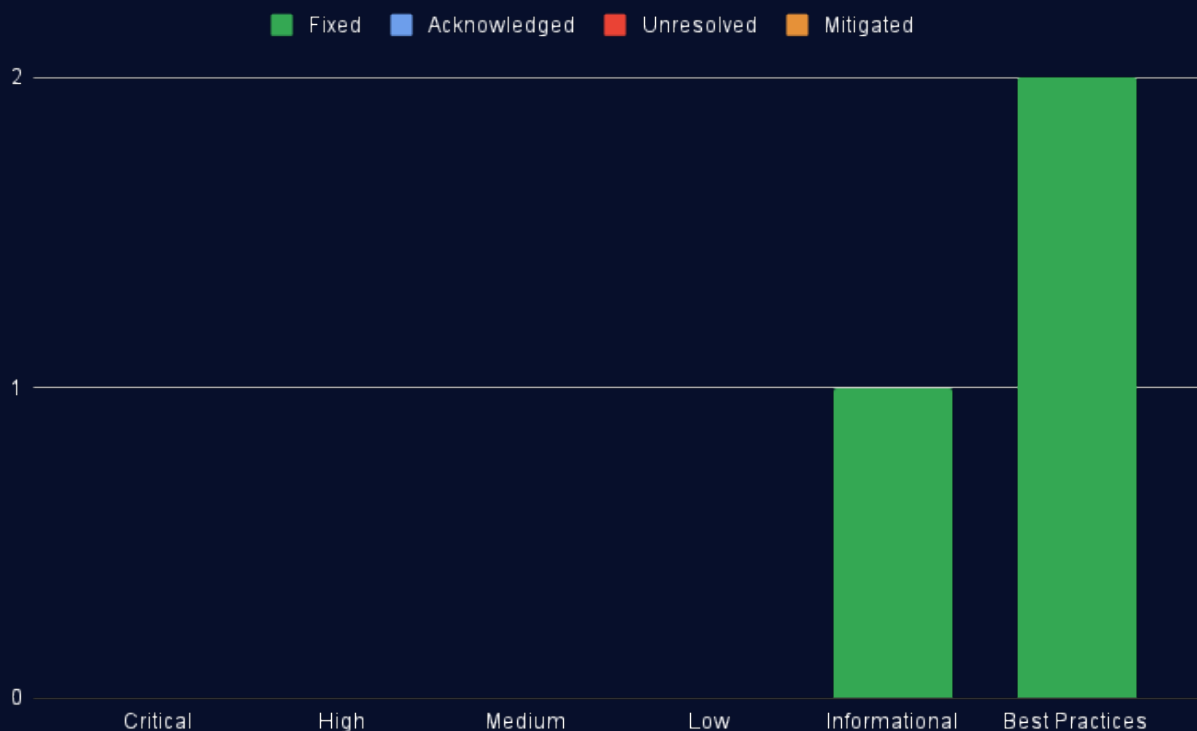


Fig 1: Distribution of issues: Critical (0), High (0), Medium (0), Low (0), Informational (1), Best Practices (2).
Distribution of status: Fixed (3), Acknowledged (0), Mitigated (0), Unresolved (0).



4 Summary of Audit

Audit Type	Security Review
Cairo Version	2.6.3
Final Report	06/09/2024
Repository	vesu-liquidate
Initial Commit Hash	b0a6b798e7812f787549d3bfcf36838c4bd4fbd1
Final Commit Hash	ea6d068e2e8e26db7d7cdde3e5e1497a2779fef6
Documentation	Website documentation
Test Suite Assessment	High

4.1 Scoped Files

	Contracts
1	/src/liquidate.cairo
2	/src/lib.cairo

4.2 Issues

	Findings	Severity	Update
1	Insufficient partial swap check	Informational	Fixed
2	LiquidateResponse event should include token address to avoid confusion	Best Practices	Fixed
3	Users are forced to liquidate all debt of the position	Best Practices	Fixed



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 Informational

6.1.1 Insufficient partial swap check

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

Description: The Vesu Liquidate contract uses Ekubo for token swaps, where users specify a route consisting of multiple token pairs to achieve the desired output token. Users also provide a `sqrt_ratio_limit` for each pair to constrain the maximum and minimum trade prices.

However, if the `sqrt_ratio_limit` is set too close to the current market price, Ekubo might not have sufficient liquidity to complete the entire swap, leading to partial swaps. Currently, the Vesu Liquidate contract includes a check to detect partial swaps, but this check is limited. It only verifies whether the first swap in the route was completed fully, while partial swaps could occur in subsequent swaps within the route.

```
1 let first = first_swap_amount.unwrap();  
2 assert!(first.amount.mag == swap.token_amount.amount.mag, "partial-swap");
```

Recommendation(s): Consider performing the partial swap check after every swap in the route.

Status: Fixed

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



6.2 Best Practices

6.2.1 LiquidateResponse event should include token address to avoid confusion

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

Description: In the `liquidate_position()` function, after transferring the residual token to the recipient, the `LiquidateResponse` event is emitted. Currently, this event reports the `residual_collateral` amount, which represents the amount of the residual collateral token transferred. However, if the residual collateral is swapped for another token, `residual_collateral` will then refer to the new token's amount. This could lead to confusion for users and potentially impact the UI/UX that relies on these events.

```
1 handle_delta(  
2     self.core.read(),  
3     collateral_margin_amount.token,  
4     i129_new(collateral_margin_amount.amount.mag, false),  
5     get_contract_address()  
6 );  
7 handle_delta(  
8     self.core.read(), out_amount.token, i129_new(out_amount.amount.mag, true), recipient  
9 );  
10  
11 // @audit should include out_amount.token address to avoid confusion  
12 return LiquidateResponse {  
13     liquidated_collateral: collateral_delta.abs,  
14     repaid_debt: debt_delta.abs,  
15     residual_collateral: out_amount.amount.mag.into()  
16 };
```

Recommendation(s): Consider including output token address to `LiquidateResponse` to avoid confusion.

Status: Fixed

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

6.2.2 Users are forced to liquidate all debt of the position

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

Description: The Vesu Liquidate contract enables users to perform liquidations without initial capital by leveraging Ekubo to swap collateral tokens for debt tokens. Currently, the contract mandates that users must liquidate the entire debt of a position in one go. This requirement may limit the flexibility of the liquidate contract, which is intended to serve as a utility contract. Requiring full debt liquidation at once can impact the swap price on Ekubo, potentially resulting in unprofitable liquidations.

```
1 // - liquidate as much collateral as possible  
2 // @audit force to liquidate all at once, could affect swap price  
3 let liquidation_data = LiquidationData {  
4     min_collateral_to_receive, debt_to_repay: debt  
5 };
```

Recommendation(s): Consider allowing users to partial liquidate positions. This adjustment would provide greater flexibility and potentially mitigate negative impacts on swap prices.

Status: Fixed

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



7 Test Evaluation

7.1 Compilation Output

```
1 Run scarb build
2   Updating git repository github.com/ekuboprotocol/abis
3   Updating git repository github.com/vesuxyz/vesu-v1
4   Updating git repository github.com/foundry-rs/starknet-foundry
5   Updating git repository github.com/keep-starknet-strange/alexandria
6   Compiling vesu_liquidate v0.1.0 (.../021-VESU-LIQUIDATE/contracts/Scarb.toml)
7   Finished release target(s) in 13 seconds
```

7.2 Tests Output

```
1 scarb test
2   Running test vesu_liquidate (snforge test)
3   Updating git repository github.com/vesuxyz/vesu-v1
4   Compiling vesu_liquidate v0.1.0 (.../liquidate/Scarb.toml)
5   Finished release target(s) in 12 seconds
6 [WARNING] RPC node with the url starknet-mainnet.public.blastapi.io/rpc/v0_6 uses incompatible version 0.6.0.
   Expected version: 0.7.0
7
8 Collected 2 test(s) from vesu_liquidate package
9 Running 0 test(s) from src/
10 Running 2 test(s) from tests/
11 [PASS] tests::test_liquidate::TestLiquidate::test_liquidate_position_full_liquidation_multi_swap_no_bad_debt (gas
   : ~6179)
12 [PASS] tests::test_liquidate::TestLiquidate::test_liquidate_position_full_liquidation_multi_swap (gas: ~6289)
13 Tests: 2 passed, 0 failed, 0 skipped, 0 ignored, 0 filtered out
```