



Code Security Assessment

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About

Summary

This report has been prepared for FORT to discover issues and vulnerabilities in the source code of the FORT project as well as any contract dependencies that were not part of an officially recognized library. A comprehensive examination has been performed, utilizing Static Analysis and Manual Review techniques.

The auditing process pays special attention to the following considerations:

- Testing the smart contracts against both common and uncommon attack vectors.
- Assessing the codebase to ensure compliance with current best practices and industry standards.
- Ensuring contract logic meets the specifications and intentions of the client.
- Cross referencing contract structure and implementation against similar smart contracts produced by industry leaders.
- Thorough line-by-line manual review of the entire codebase by industry experts.

The security assessment resulted in findings that ranged from critical to informational. We recommend addressing these findings to ensure a high level of security standards and industry practices. We suggest recommendations that could better serve the project from the security perspective:

- Enhance general coding practices for better structures of source codes;
- Add enough unit tests to cover the possible use cases;
- Provide more comments per each function for readability, especially contracts that are verified in public;
- Provide more transparency on privileged activities once the protocol is live.

Overview

Project Summary

Project Name	FORT
Description	A DeFi Development and Application System with Unlimited Liquidity.
Platform	other
Language	Solidity
Codebase	https://github.com/FORT-Protocol/Hedge/tree/nest4.0/contracts
Commit	1351c2c604eb8d639868be2bcf039114932990bd

Audit Summary

Delivery Date	Jan 25, 2022
Audit Methodology	Static Analysis, Manual Review

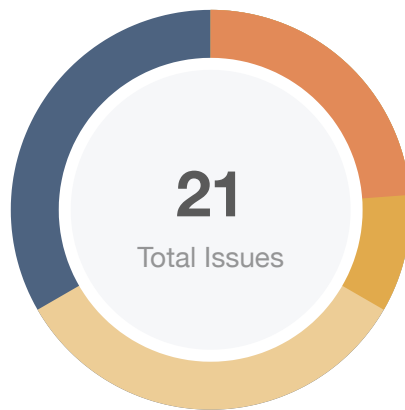
Vulnerability Summary

Vulnerability Level	Total	⚠ Pending	⊗ Declined	ℹ Acknowledged	⏸ Partially Resolved	🕒 Mitigated	✅ Resolved
🔴 Critical	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
🟠 Major	5	0	0	4	0	0	1
🟡 Medium	2	0	0	2	0	0	0
🟠 Minor	7	0	0	5	0	0	2
🟡 Informational	7	0	0	3	0	0	4
🟢 Discussion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Audit Scope

ID	File	SHA256 Checksum
CPF	custom/ChainParameter.sol	5c9ba6cc296ae2b957b1c08ac0cfb444a069da62966ddd5b007ebd63a9b7f4bd
CPO	custom/CommonParameter.sol	01f84dbd81500a87f67b87821bb1f636c4ff2bb99150098affe2f88debee25be
HFU	custom/HedgeFrequentlyUsed.sol	81eb22f682d0caddbbac55999084ed471fb350dfceb6c1f44b0f227dcf11371c
NPA	custom/NestPriceAdapter.sol	b314bb87addf27990aa41e34346f8e982aa728ac23dd3be85c2059822be518b8
DCU	DCU.sol	9dff73a4f7dcc77e1ecea6b957ede05b99a3cbc0eefc1840358bd047a305bb67
HBF	HedgeBase.sol	6193637e57b69fdd00245438b77e4ee5d961fb9bd7f0e92ba284ab4d1f0651f6
HDA	HedgeDAO.sol	b1100d7f2cf6a9b489213e46e1309cc2b328db148be327cf685b8044016dfb7b
HFF	HedgeFutures.sol	da4e104e529b8ad31fb59d88f2cb18ce1ad41e26c7b688a5f47d8880e4fa8fc7
HGF	HedgeGovernance.sol	782362f7a233e9e738177504b9757baeced54d565e7069a120c2a994e47046a1
HMF	HedgeMapping.sol	b5a530f635179370cf5291e5be116b1e187f5a18600ff6c23292710fcae523d2
HOF	HedgeOptions.sol	85dcd6fc9fc474886c19a83a45beb5803911ae98da3ce2d4038424be002836ee
HSF	HedgeSwap.sol	e8a357427acde9b941512f277b4d3fc7af8beec8af5a68ce34a90fa8910cd9f
HVF	HedgeVaultForStaking.sol	4fc0eb38979499b1466fab33835a3a11e33d3793c27e5636456faab80b3f462f

Findings



Critical	0 (0.00%)
Major	5 (23.81%)
Medium	2 (9.52%)
Minor	7 (33.33%)
Informational	7 (33.33%)
Discussion	0 (0.00%)

ID	Title	Category	Severity	Status
Fort-01	Unlocked compiler version	Language Specific	Informational	ⓘ Acknowledged
Fort-02	Financial Models	Logical Issue	Informational	ⓘ Acknowledged
Fort-03	Centralization Related Risks	Centralization / Privilege	Major	ⓘ Acknowledged
DCU-01	Privileged ownership	Centralization / Privilege	Major	ⓘ Acknowledged
DCU-02	Function Naming Convention	Coding Style	Informational	✓ Resolved
FOR-01	Missing emit events	Control Flow	Minor	✓ Resolved
FOR-02	Missing error messages	Coding Style	Informational	✓ Resolved
FOR-03	Unused Import File	Coding Style	Informational	✓ Resolved
FOR-04	Inconsistent Comments and Code on HedgeOptions.sol	Inconsistency	Minor	✓ Resolved
FOR-05	Inconsistent Comments and Code in HedgeOptions.sol	Inconsistency	Minor	ⓘ Acknowledged
FOR-06	Inconsistency with White Paper in HedgeOptions.sol	Volatile Code	Minor	ⓘ Acknowledged
HBF-01	Centralization Risk in HedgeBase.sol	Centralization / Privilege	Major	ⓘ Acknowledged

ID	Title	Category	Severity	Status
HBF-02	Unnecessary Condition	Logical Issue	● Informational	ⓘ Acknowledged
HFU-01	TODO comments	Coding Style	● Informational	✓ Resolved
HGF-01	Unnecessary <code>require</code> Statement	Logical Issue	● Minor	ⓘ Acknowledged
HGF-03	Privileged Ownership	Centralization / Privilege	● Major	ⓘ Acknowledged
HSF-01	Inconsistent Comments and Code in <code>HedgeSwap.sol</code>	Inconsistency	● Medium	ⓘ Acknowledged
HSF-03	Potential Sandwich Attacks in <code>HedgeSwap.sol</code>	Logical Issue	● Minor	ⓘ Acknowledged
HSF-04	Inconsistency with White Paper in <code>HedgeSwap.sol</code>	Volatile Code	● Major	✓ Resolved
NPA-01	Third Party Dependencies	Volatile Code	● Minor	ⓘ Acknowledged
NPA-03	Constant Token Price	Volatile Code	● Medium	ⓘ Acknowledged

Fort-01 | Unlocked compiler version

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Language Specific	● Informational	Global	ⓘ Acknowledged

Description

The contract has unlocked compiler version. An unlocked compiler version in the source code of the contract permits the user to compile it at or above a particular version. This, in turn, leads to differences in the generated bytecode between compilations due to different compiler versions. This can lead to an ambiguity when debugging as compiler specific bugs may occur in the codebase that would be hard to identify over a span of multiple compiler versions rather than a specific one.

Recommendation

We advise that the compiler version is instead locked at the lowest version possible that the contract can be compiled at.

For example, for version `v0.6.2` the contract should contain the following line:

```
pragma solidity 0.6.2;
```

Alleviation

FORT team acknowledged this finding.

Fort-02 | Financial Models

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	● Informational	Global	ⓘ Acknowledged

Description

Referring to the official white paper(<https://docs.hedge.red/>), FORT is a DeFi development and application system with unlimited liquidity.

Recommendation

Financial models of blockchain protocols need to be resilient to attacks. They need to pass simulations and verifications to guarantee the security of the overall protocol.

The financial model of this protocol is not in the scope of this audit.

Users should understand the financial models of this protocol before use.

Alleviation

FORT team acknowledged this finding.

Fort-03 | Centralization Related Risks

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Centralization / Privilege	● Major	Global	ⓘ Acknowledged

Description

In the contract `DCU.sol`, the roles in `_governanceMapping` have authority over the following functions:

- function `setMinter()`

Any compromise to the accounts in `_governanceMapping` with `flag` (permission weight) greater than `0` may allow a hacker to take advantage of this authority.

In the contract `HedgeDAO.sol`, the roles in `_governanceMapping` have authority over the following functions:

- function `setApplication()`

Any compromise to the accounts in `_governanceMapping` with `flag` (permission weight) greater than `0` may allow a hacker to take advantage of this authority.

In the contract `HedgeGovernance.sol`, the roles in `_governanceMapping` have authority over the following functions:

- function `setGovernance()`

Any compromise to the accounts in `_governanceMapping` with `flag` (permission weight) greater than `0` may allow a hacker to take advantage of this authority.

In the contract `HedgeMapping.sol`, the roles in `_governanceMapping` have authority over the following functions:

- function `setBuiltinAddress()`
- function `registerAddress()`

Any compromise to the accounts in `_governanceMapping` with `flag` (permission weight) greater than `0` may allow a hacker to take advantage of this authority.

In the contract `HedgeFutures.sol`, the roles in `_governanceMapping` have authority over the following functions:

- function `create()`

Any compromise to the accounts in `_governanceMapping` with `flag` (permission weight) greater than `0` may allow a hacker to take advantage of this authority.

In the contract `HedgeVaultForStaking.sol`, the roles in `_governanceMapping` have authority over the following functions:

- function `setClaimed()`
- function `setConfig()`
- function `batchSetPoolWeight()`

Any compromise to the accounts in `_governanceMapping` with `flag` (permission weight) greater than `0` may allow a hacker to take advantage of this authority.

Recommendation

The risk describes the current project design and potentially makes iterations to improve in the security operation and level of decentralization, which in most cases cannot be resolved entirely at the present stage. We advise the client to carefully manage the privileged account's private key to avoid any potential risks of being hacked. In general, we strongly recommend centralized privileges or roles in the protocol be improved via a decentralized mechanism or smart-contract-based accounts with enhanced security practices, e.g., multi-signature wallets.

Indicatively, here are some feasible suggestions that would also mitigate the potential risk at a different level in terms of short-term, long-term and permanent:

Short Term:

Timelock and Multi sign ($\frac{2}{3}$, $\frac{3}{5}$) combination *mitigate* by delaying the sensitive operation and avoiding a single point of key management failure.

- Time-lock with reasonable latency, e.g., 48 hours, for awareness on privileged operations;
AND
- Assignment of privileged roles to multi-signature wallets to prevent a single point of failure due to the private key compromised;
AND

- A medium/blog link for sharing the timelock contract and multi-signers addresses information with the public audience.

Long Term:

Timelock and DAO, the combination, *mitigate* by applying decentralization and transparency.

- Time-lock with reasonable latency, e.g., 48 hours, for awareness on privileged operations;
AND
- Introduction of a DAO/governance/voting module to increase transparency and user involvement.
AND
- A medium/blog link for sharing the timelock contract, multi-signers addresses, and DAO information with the public audience.

Permanent:

Renouncing the ownership or removing the function can be considered *fully resolved*.

- Renounce the ownership and never claim back the privileged roles. OR
- Remove the risky functionality.

Alleviation

FORT team acknowledged this finding and would transfer the ownership to DAO in the future.

DCU-01 | Privileged ownership

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Centralization / Privilege	● Major	DCU.sol: 18~21, 40~42, 47~49	📄 Acknowledged

Description

The `_minters` of contract `DCU` has the permission to:

- Executing `mint()` to mint `DCU` token to any account
- Executing `burn()` to destroy `DCU` token from any account without obtaining the consensus of the community.

Recommendation

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DCU-02 | Function Naming Convention

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Coding Style	● Informational	DCU.sol: 47	✓ Resolved

Description

```
47 function burn(address from, uint value) external onlyMinter {  
48     _burn(from, value);  
49 }
```

Since function `burn` is used to destroy tokens from the `from` address which is declared as the first parameter, the name of function can be renamed as `burnFrom` to avoid the confusion with burn DCU tokens from address `msg.sender`.

Recommendation

We recommend renaming the function as `burnFrom()` to improve readability.

Alleviation

FORT team heeded our advice and renamed the function as `burnFrom()`. The change was supplied in commit `0a39d0ac5885a36733827774ea1c8f69f139313e`.

FOR-01 | Missing emit events

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Control Flow	● Minor	HedgeVaultForStaking.sol: 111~129, 93~97, 85~87	🟢 Resolved
		HedgeMapping.sol: 121~123, 40~67	
		DCU.sol: 26~28	
		HedgeGovernance.sol: 41~48	
		HedgeBase.sol: 20~23, 28~33	

Description

There should always be events emitted in the sensitive functions that are controlled by centralization roles.

Recommendation

It is recommended emitting events for the sensitive functions that are controlled by centralization roles.

Alleviation

FORT team heeded our advice and added events for the sensitive functions. The change was supplied in commit `0a39d0ac5885a36733827774ea1c8f69f139313e`.

FOR-02 | Missing error messages

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Coding Style	● Informational	HedgeFutures.sol: 479 test/NestPriceFacade.sol: 278, 279, 306, 391, 327	☑ Resolved

Description

The **require** can be used to check for conditions and throw an exception if the condition is not met. It is better to provide a string message containing details about the error that will be passed back to the caller.

Recommendation

We advise adding error messages to the linked **require** statements.

Alleviation

FORT team heeded our advice and added error messages for the necessary functions. The change was supplied in commit `0a39d0ac5885a36733827774ea1c8f69f139313e`.

FOR-03 | Unused Import File

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Coding Style	● Informational	HedgeOptions.sol: 8, 7 HedgeFutures.sol: 8, 7, 5 HedgeDAO.sol: 5 HedgeBase.sol: 9, 7, 5 custom/HedgeFrequentlyUsed.sol: 5	🟢 Resolved

Description

The following import file is not used in the audit files:

- ./custom/HedgeFrequentlyUsed.sol

```
5 import "../interfaces/IHedgeGovernance.sol";
```

- HedgeBase.sol

```
5 import "@openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC20/IERC20.sol";  
6  
7 import "../libs/TransferHelper.sol";  
8  
9 import "../interfaces/IHedgeDAO.sol";
```

- HedgeDAO.sol

```
5 import "@openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC20/IERC20.sol";
```

- HedgeFutures.sol

```
5 import "@openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC20/IERC20.sol";  
6  
7 import "../libs/TransferHelper.sol";  
8 import "../libs/ABDKMath64x64.sol";
```

- HedgeOptions.sol

```
7 import "../libs/TransferHelper.sol";  
8 import "../libs/ABDKMath64x64.sol";
```

Recommendation

We recommend commenting this import out or removing it.

Alleviation

FORT team removed the unused import files. The change was supplied in commit

`0a39d0ac5885a36733827774ea1c8f69f139313e`.

FOR-04 | Inconsistent Comments and Code on `HedgeOptions.sol`

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Inconsistency	Minor	custom/ChainParameter.sol: 9 HedgeOptions.sol: 343	Resolved

Description

According to the comment, the average time to create a block is 14 seconds, but in contract `ChainParameter`, the value of constant variable `BLOCK_TIME` is 3.

Recommendation

Please ensure the correct value of this constant variable.

Alleviation

FORT team corrected the comments. The change was supplied in commit `0a39d0ac5885a36733827774ea1c8f69f139313e`.

FOR-05 | Inconsistent Comments and Code in `HedgeOptions.sol`

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Inconsistency	Minor	HedgeOptions.sol: 170, 156 custom/NestPriceAdapter.sol: 28	📄 Acknowledged

Description

According to the comment, parameter `tokenAddress` can be set to `address(0)` when the target token is ETH. But in function `_latestPrice()`, it will revert if parameter `tokenAddress` is `address(0)`

```
/// @param tokenAddress 目标代币地址, 0表示eth
...
function open(
    address tokenAddress,
    uint strikePrice,
    bool orientation,
    uint exerciseBlock,
    uint dcuAmount
) external payable override {

    uint oraclePrice = _latestPrice(tokenAddress, msg.value, msg.sender);
    ...
}

function _latestPrice(address tokenAddress, uint fee, address payback) internal
returns (uint oraclePrice) {
    require(tokenAddress == address(0), "H0:not allowed!");
    ...
}
```

Recommendation

We recommend correcting the description in comments, or removing the `require` statement from function `_latestPrice()`.

Alleviation

[FORT]: The `tokenAddress` should be `ETH` here, the price is calculated by USD, and the 0 address is only supported `ETH`. In the current stage, only `ETH` options are supported. So only the price of `ETH` could be queried now.

FOR-06 | Inconsistency with White Paper in `HedgeOptions.sol`

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Volatile Code	Minor	custom/CommonParameter.sol: 15, 12, 9 HedgeOptions.sol: 511~530, 487~509	ⓘ Acknowledged

Description

Formula and Related Code

According to white paper(<https://docs.hedge.red/Hedge/Options.html>), the cost per option is obtained according to the following formula:

$$V_c = S_0 e^{\mu T} (1 - \phi(\frac{d_1}{\sqrt{T}} - \sigma \sqrt{T})) - K (1 - \phi(\frac{d_1}{\sqrt{T}})) \quad (1)$$

$$V_p = K \phi(\frac{d_1}{\sqrt{T}}) - S_0 e^{\mu T} \phi(\frac{d_1}{\sqrt{T}} - \sigma \sqrt{T}) \quad (2)$$

- V_p is the cost of one put option;
- $\phi(X)$ is the standard normal distribution function;
- $d_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma} [\ln \frac{K}{S_0} + (\frac{\sigma^2}{2} - \mu)T]$
- K is the strike price;
- σ is the volatility, obtained from the NEST oracle;
- S_0 is the current price;
- μ is the underlying return, an arithmetic average based on historical data statistics;
- T is the strike time;

In this finding, we will describe `call option` as example. And in the contract `HedgeOptions`, the V_c will be calculated in function `_calcVc` as blew :

```

487 function _calcVc(uint S0, uint T, uint K) private pure returns (uint vc) {
488
489     int128 sigmaSQ_T = _d18T0b64(SIGMA_SQ * T);
490     int128 miu_T = _toInt128(MIU_LONG * T);
491     int128 sigma_t = ABDKMath64x64.sqrt(sigmaSQ_T);
492     int128 D1 = _D1(S0, K, sigmaSQ_T, miu_T);
493     int128 d = ABDKMath64x64.div(D1, sigma_t);
494
495     uint left = _toUInt(ABDKMath64x64.mul(
496         //ABDKMath64x64.exp(miu_T),
497         // appr equal to x*(1+rt)

```

```

498 // by chenf 2021-12-28 15:27
499 miu_T + ONE,
500 ABDKMath64x64.sub(
501     ONE,
502     _snd(ABDKMath64x64.sub(d, sigma_t))
503 )
504 )) * S0;
505 uint right = _toUInt(ABDKMath64x64.sub(ONE, _snd(d))) * K;
506
507 vc = left > right ? left - right : 0;
508 }

```

About $d_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma} [\ln \frac{K}{S_0} + (\frac{\sigma^2}{2} - \mu)T]$

In the contract `HedgeOptions`, the right part in d_1 will be calculated in function `_D1()` as blew :

```

532 function _D1(uint S0, uint K, int128 sigmaSQ_T, int128 miu_T) private pure returns
(int128) {
533
534     //require(K < 0x10000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000, "FE0:K can't
ROL 64bits");
535     return
536         ABDKMath64x64.sub(
537             ABDKMath64x64.add(
538                 ABDKMath64x64.ln(_toInt128(K * 0x10000000000000000 / S0)),
539                 sigmaSQ_T >> 1
540             ),
541             miu_T
542         );
543 }

```

Formula $\ln \frac{K}{S_0} + (\frac{\sigma^2}{2} - \mu)T$ could be transferred to $\ln \frac{K}{S_0} + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}T - \mu T$, and according to the code in `_D1()`, parameter `sigmaSQ_T` represents the formula $\sigma^2 T$, and parameter `miu_T` represents the formula μT .

About σ

Parameter `sigmaSQ_T` is set by following code :

```
uint constant SIGMA_SQ = 45659142400;
```

```

int128 sigmaSQ_T = _d18T0b64(SIGMA_SQ * T);
...
int128 D1 = _D1(S0, K, sigmaSQ_T, miu_T);

```

σ^2 is set as a constant variable in this protocol, which means σ is a constant value, this is different from the description " σ is the volatility, obtained from the NEST oracle " in the white paper.

About μ

In the `call` option, the parameter `miu_T` is set by the following code:

```
uint constant MIU_LONG = 64051194700;
```

```
int128 miu_T = _toInt128(MIU_LONG * T);
...
int128 D1 = _D1(S0, K, sigmaSQ_T, miu_T);
```

In the `put` option, the parameter `miu_T` is set by the following code:

```
uint constant MIU_SHORT = 0;
```

```
int128 miu_T = _toInt128(MIU_SHORT * T);
...
int128 D1 = _D1(S0, K, sigmaSQ_T, miu_T);
```

No matter in call option or in the `put` option, μ is set as a constant variable in this protocol, which is different from the description " μ is the underlying return, an arithmetic average based on historical data statistics " in the white paper.

About Left Part of $V_c : S_0 e^{\mu T} (1 - \phi(\frac{d_1}{\sqrt{T}}))$

In the contract `HedgeOptions`, $S_0 e^{\mu T} (1 - \phi(\frac{d_1}{\sqrt{T}}))$ will be calculated in function `_calcVc()` as blew :

```
495 uint left = _toUInt(ABDKMath64x64.mul(
496   //ABDKMath64x64.exp(miu_T),
497   // appr equal to x*(1+rt)
498   // by chenf 2021-12-28 15:27
499   miu_T + ONE,
500   ABDKMath64x64.sub(
501     ONE,
502     _snd(ABDKMath64x64.sub(d, sigma_t))
503   )
504 )) * S0;
```


$e^{\mu T}$ is calculated as $\mu T + 0x10000000000000000$ in line 499, which is different from the formula V_c .

Recommendation

We recommend enhancing the code or white paper to ensure logical consistency.

Alleviation

[FORT]:

1. The NEST provides real-time volatility, but FORT requires long-term volatility. Long-term volatility is a statistical figure based on the price performance of the corresponding asset over a relatively long period of time. Since currently, only ETH is supported, this should be the ETH price, which is 120% annualized. We will review the white paper.
2. The $e^{\mu T}$ is used to calculate the compound interest, and since the μ is extremely tiny, the $e^{\mu T}$ can be approximated by T . This point has been communicated with the financial product manager and as an optimized solution.

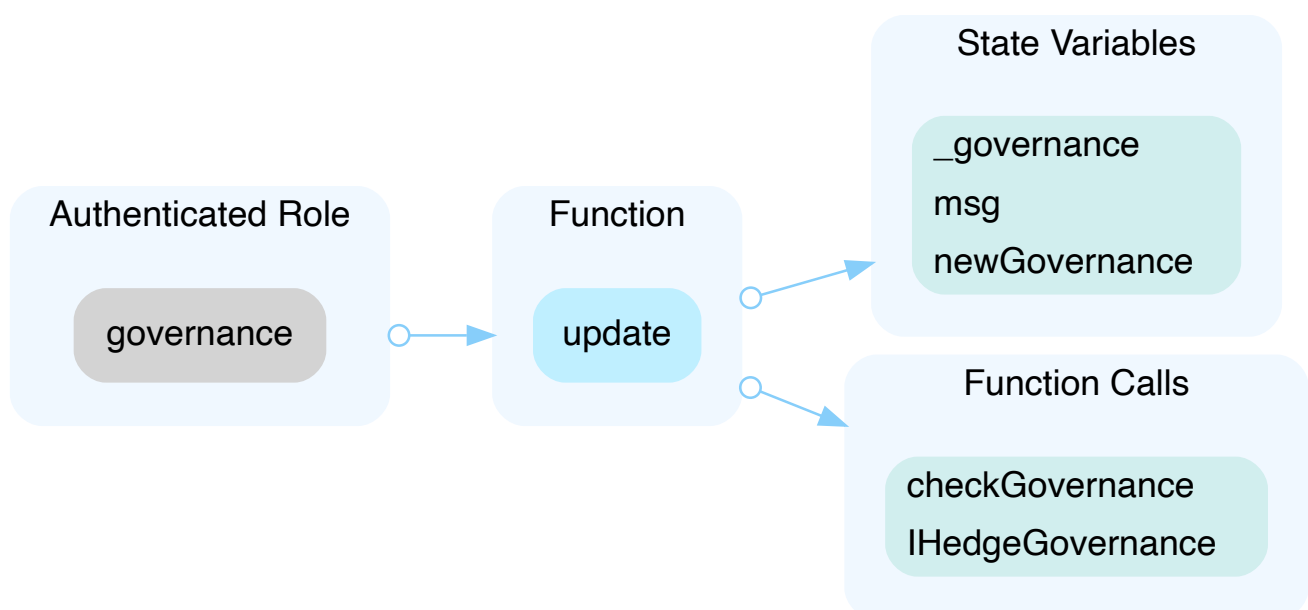
HBF-01 | Centralization Risk in HedgeBase.sol

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Centralization / Privilege	● Major	HedgeBase.sol: 28~33	📄 Acknowledged

Description

In the contract, `HedgeBase`, the role, `governance`, has authority over the functions shown in the diagram below.

Any compromise to the `governance` account may allow the hacker to take advantage of this authority.



Recommendation

The risk describes the current project design and potentially makes iterations to improve in the security operation and level of decentralization, which in most cases cannot be resolved entirely at the present stage. We advise the client to carefully manage the privileged account's private key to avoid any potential risks of being hacked. In general, we strongly recommend centralized privileges or roles in the protocol be improved via a decentralized mechanism or smart-contract-based accounts with enhanced security practices, e.g., multisignature wallets.

Indicatively, here are some feasible suggestions that would also mitigate the potential risk at a different level in terms of short-term, long-term and permanent:

Short Term:

Timelock and Multi sign ($\frac{2}{3}$, $\frac{3}{5}$) combination *mitigate* by delaying the sensitive operation and avoiding a single point of key management failure.

- Time-lock with reasonable latency, e.g., 48 hours, for awareness on privileged operations;
AND
- Assignment of privileged roles to multi-signature wallets to prevent a single point of failure due to the private key compromised;
AND
- A medium/blog link for sharing the timelock contract and multi-signers addresses information with the public audience.

Long Term:

Timelock and DAO, the combination, *mitigate* by applying decentralization and transparency.

- Time-lock with reasonable latency, e.g., 48 hours, for awareness on privileged operations;
AND
- Introduction of a DAO/governance/voting module to increase transparency and user involvement.
AND
- A medium/blog link for sharing the timelock contract, multi-signers addresses, and DAO information with the public audience.

Permanent:

Renouncing the ownership or removing the function can be considered *fully resolved*.

- Renounce the ownership and never claim back the privileged roles.
OR
- Remove the risky functionality.

Alleviation

FORT team acknowledged this finding and would transfer the ownership to DAO in the future.

HBF-02 | Unnecessary Condition

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	● Informational	HedgeBase.sol: 31	📄 Acknowledged

Description

According to the comment of state variable `_governance` in this contract, `_governance` is a contract address and used to declare the interface `IHedgeGovernance`.

```
15  /// @dev IHedgeGovernance implementation contract address
16  address public _governance;
```

According to the code of interface `IHedgeGovernance`, function `HedgeBase.update()` will not be called, which means the `IHedgeGovernance` implementation contract address will never be `msg.sender` of `HedgeBase.update()`.

```
28  function update(address newGovernance) public virtual {
29
30      address governance = _governance;
31      require(governance == msg.sender ||
IHedgeGovernance(governance).checkGovernance(msg.sender, 0), "Hedge:!gov");
32      _governance = newGovernance;
33  }
```

Therefore, the condition `governance == msg.sender` in this require statement is necessary.

Recommendation

We recommend validating the `governance == msg.sender` in the function `update()`.

Alleviation

FORT team acknowledged this finding.

HFU-01 | TODO comments

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Coding Style	● Informational	custom/HedgeFrequentlyUsed.sol: 25~62	✓ Resolved

Description

The aforementioned lines contain TODO comments which can be removed to increase the quality of codebase for production environment.

Recommendation

We advise to remove the TODO comments from the aforementioned lines.

Alleviation

FORT will remove the TODO comments in the main net version.

HGF-01 | Unnecessary `require` Statement

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	● Minor	HedgeGovernance.sol: 18	ⓘ Acknowledged

Description

No matter what the value of parameter `governance` is, it will not affect the execution of the function.

Recommendation

We recommend changing the `require` condition and deploying the contract on test net to review the role of function `HedgeGovernance.initialize()`.

Alleviation

[FORT]: The `initialize()` is an `override` function, and it will be used in place of the `constructor` function.

HGF-03 | Privileged Ownership

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Centralization / Privilege	● Major	HedgeGovernance.sol: 41~48	📄 Acknowledged

Description

```
41 function setGovernance(address addr, uint flag) external override onlyGovernance {  
42  
43     if (flag > 0) {  
44         _governanceMapping[addr] = GovernanceInfo(addr, uint96(flag));  
45     } else {  
46         _governanceMapping[addr] = GovernanceInfo(address(0), uint96(0));  
47     }  
48 }
```

Any governance could modify the other governances' authorized.

Recommendation

We recommend avoiding any governance to modify the other governances' authorized.

Alleviation

FORT team acknowledged this finding.

HSF-01 | Inconsistent Comments and Code in `HedgeSwap.sol`

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Inconsistency	● Medium	HedgeSwap.sol: 42~45, 28~29	ⓘ Acknowledged

Description

According to the comment, the parameter `payback` is declared to receive the excess fees, but according to the code, fee is not needed in this contract.

Also, if there is the excess fees, it will be better to payback to `msg.sender`.

Meanwhile, if `payback` is the `address(0)`, the caller will lost funds forever.

Recommendation

We recommend removing the parameter `payback` and codes from line 42 to 45 if fee is not needed in this contract.

Alleviation

[FORT]: The `swap()` interface is defined in another project, `CoFiX`. By implementing this interface, the fund pool can be connected to `CoFiX` for routing exchange. The `payback` parameter is used to return excess fees to `CoFiX`. In order to save gas, it is necessary to read the balance and transfer as little as possible. The payback address provides flexibility so that complex exchange and calling logic can be realized. If it is returned directly to `msg.sender`, it will be more difficult and spend more gas to finish this flow.

[CertiK]: We encourage the team to constantly monitor the statuses of `CoFiX.swap()` to mitigate the side effects when unexpected activities are observed.

HSF-03 | Potential Sandwich Attacks in `HedgeSwap.sol`

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Logical Issue	● Minor	HedgeSwap.sol: 1	📄 Acknowledged

Description

A sandwich attack might happen when an attacker observes a transaction swapping tokens or adding liquidity without setting restrictions on slippage or minimum output amount. The attacker can manipulate the exchange rate by frontrunning (before the transaction being attacked) a transaction to purchase one of the assets and make profits by backrunning (after the transaction being attacked) a transaction to sell the asset.

The following functions are called without setting minimum output amount or maximum input amount, so transactions triggering these functions are vulnerable to sandwich attacks, especially when the input amount or exact output amount is large:

- `_swap()`
- `_swapExact()`

Recommendation

We recommend setting reasonable minimum output amounts or maximum input amount, based on token prices when calling the aforementioned functions.

Alleviation

[FORT]: In general, users exchange by `CoFiX`, and there is a limit to the minimum amount obtained in the CoFiX exchange.

HSF-04 | Inconsistency with White Paper in `HedgeSwap.sol`

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Volatile Code	● Major	HedgeSwap.sol: 19	✓ Resolved

Description

The following is described in the official white paper

(<https://docs.hedge.red/Hedge/SystemDataModel.html>):

- DAO finances 30 million NEST from early developers, community KOLs, etc. for SWAP initial liquidity with a 1:1 consideration, while DAO injects 30 million DCU into SWAP, forming a pool of 30 million NEST: 30 million DCU. Users get DCU Token through SWAP transactions, which currently supports $\text{ETH} \rightleftharpoons \text{DCU}$ and $\text{NEST} \rightleftharpoons \text{DCU}$.

About Initial Fund

According to code in `HedgeSwap.sol`, there is not 30 million but 15 million `NEST` and 15 million `DCU` will be provided as initial liquidity, which is inconsistent with white paper.

```
19  uint constant K = 15000000 ether * 15000000 ether;
```

Also, there is no token transferred to this contract from `DAO` to initialize this contract, only a constant variable `K` is declared. But without a real token, a number will make no sense.

About Transactions

Only $\text{NEST} \rightleftharpoons \text{DCU}$ transaction is supported in this contract, $\text{ETH} \rightleftharpoons \text{DCU}$ is not supported.

Recommendation

We recommend coding as documented in the white paper.

Alleviation

[FORT]: This protocol will be deployed on Ethereum and BSC chains. So the sum is 30 million.

NPA-01 | Third Party Dependencies

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Volatile Code	● Minor	custom/NestPriceAdapter.sol: 5	① Acknowledged

Description

The contract is serving as the underlying entity to interact with third party **NEST** protocol. The scope of the audit treats 3rd party entities as black boxes and assume their functional correctness. However, in the real world, 3rd parties can be compromised and this may lead to lost or stolen assets. In addition, upgrades of 3rd parties can possibly create severe impacts, such as increasing fees of 3rd parties, migrating to new LP pools, etc.

Recommendation

We understand that the business logic of **NestPriceAdapter** requires interaction with **NEST**, etc. We encourage the team to constantly monitor the statuses of 3rd parties to mitigate the side effects when unexpected activities are observed.

Alleviation

[FORT]: The NEST and FORT are closely related, and we will continuously monitoring the operation of NEST.

NPA-03 | Constant Token Price

Category	Severity	Location	Status
Volatile Code	● Medium	custom/NestPriceAdapter.sol: 56	① Acknowledged

Description

Referring to the code, `DCU` would be a constant price with `ETH`.

For example, the price of `DCU` is calculated as following code :

```
function exercise(uint index, uint amount) external payable override {
    ...
    uint oraclePrice = _findPrice(address(0), exerciseBlock, msg.value, msg.sender);

    uint gain = 0;

    if (orientation) {

        if (oraclePrice > strikePrice) {
            gain = amount * (oraclePrice - strikePrice) / USDT_BASE;
        }
    }
    ...
    if (gain > 0) {
        DCU(DCU_TOKEN_ADDRESS).mint(msg.sender, gain);
    }
    ...
}
```

In the function `HedgeOptions.exercise()`, the latest price of `DCU` will be `oraclePrice / USDT_BASE`.

The dividend `oraclePrice` is set by function `NestPriceAdapter._findPrice()`, which value will be:

```
42 function _findPrice(address tokenAddress, uint blockNumber, uint fee, address
payback) internal returns (uint oraclePrice) {
43     require(tokenAddress == address(0), "H0:not allowed!");
44
45
46     (, uint rawPrice) = INestOpenPrice(NEST_OPEN_PRICE).findPrice {
47         value: fee
48     } (ETH_USDT_CHANNEL_ID, blockNumber, payback);
49
50
```

```
51  oraclePrice = _toUSDTPrice(rawPrice);
52  }
53
54
55  function _toUSDTPrice(uint rawPrice) internal pure returns (uint) {
56      return 2000 ether * 1 ether / rawPrice;
57  }
```

The divisor `USDT_BASE` is a constant variable in `HedgeFrequentlyUsed.sol`

```
22  uint constant USDT_BASE = 1 ether;
```

Therefore, the price of `DCU` will be `2000 ether / rawPrice` can be described as "1 ETH will be 2000 ether DCU". This is a constant price.

But there are no related description records on the white paper.

Recommendation

We recommend development team could document whether the exchange rate between `DCU` and `ETH` will be constant.

If it will be a constant rate, providing guarantees and services that can exchange 2000 ether `DCU` for 1 `ETH` at any time is needed.

If it will not be a constant rate, correcting code in function `NestPriceAdapter._toUSDTPrice()` is needed.

Alleviation

[FORT]: This is how to use NEST. It is used to query how many ETH is equivalent to 2000 USD.

Appendix

Finding Categories

Centralization / Privilege

Centralization / Privilege findings refer to either feature logic or implementation of components that act against the nature of decentralization, such as explicit ownership or specialized access roles in combination with a mechanism to relocate funds.

Logical Issue

Logical Issue findings detail a fault in the logic of the linked code, such as an incorrect notion on how `block.timestamp` works.

Control Flow

Control Flow findings concern the access control imposed on functions, such as owner-only functions being invoke-able by anyone under certain circumstances.

Volatile Code

Volatile Code findings refer to segments of code that behave unexpectedly on certain edge cases that may result in a vulnerability.

Language Specific

Language Specific findings are issues that would only arise within Solidity, i.e. incorrect usage of `private` or `delete`.

Coding Style

Coding Style findings usually do not affect the generated byte-code but rather comment on how to make the codebase more legible and, as a result, easily maintainable.

Inconsistency

Inconsistency findings refer to functions that should seemingly behave similarly yet contain different code, such as a constructor assignment imposing different require statements on the input variables than a setter function.

Checksum Calculation Method

The "Checksum" field in the "Audit Scope" section is calculated as the SHA-256 (Secure Hash Algorithm 2 with digest size of 256 bits) digest of the content of each file hosted in the listed source repository under the specified commit.

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