

Luganodes Pectra Batch Contract

Executive Summary

This audit report was prepared by Quantstamp, the leader in blockchain security.

Туре	Validator Management		
Timeline	2025-04-28 through 2025-05-02		
Language	Solidity		
Methods	Architecture Review, Unit Testing, Functional Testing, Computer-Aided Verification, Manual Review		
Specification	None		
Source Code	https://github.com/Luganodes/Pectra -Batch-Contract ☑ #f63befb ☑		
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Documentation quality	High
Test quality	High
Total Findings	Fixed: 3
High severity findings ①	0
Medium severity (i)	0
Low severity findings (i)	3 Fixed: 3
Undetermined severity (i)	0
Informational findings ③	0

Summary of Findings

The presently audited contract is designed for Ethereum validator management. In particular, it aids in batch consolidation, batch withdrawals, and batch switching from type 1 withdrawal credentials to type 2 withdrawal credentials. It is intended to be delegated to by an EOA via a capability introduced in EIP-7702 as part of the Pectra hard fork.

No severe vulnerabilities were found. Those low-severity vulnerabilities that were found have relatively simple fixes.

Regarding the test suite, we recommend making use of Pectra-related capabilities in Foundry.

Update: All the issues were addressed, and the test suite was improved to include e.g. delegation using EIP-7702.

ID	DESCRIPTION	SEVERITY	STATUS
LUGA-1	Batch Operations Do Not Use Current Request Fee Which May Lead to Overpayment	• Low ③	Fixed
LUGA-2	Lack of Withdrawal Amount Validation May Lead to Unexpected Outcomes	• Low i	Fixed
LUGA-3	EOA-Behaviour Mismatch	• Low ①	Fixed

Assessment Breakdown

Quantstamp's objective was to evaluate the repository for security-related issues, code quality, and adherence to specification and best practices.



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Only features that are contained within the repositories at the commit hashes specified on the front page of the report are within the scope of the audit and fix review. All features added in future revisions of the code are excluded from consideration in this report.

Possible issues we looked for included (but are not limited to):

- Transaction-ordering dependence
- Timestamp dependence
- · Mishandled exceptions and call stack limits
- Unsafe external calls
- Integer overflow / underflow
- Number rounding errors
- Reentrancy and cross-function vulnerabilities
- Denial of service / logical oversights
- Access control
- · Centralization of power
- Business logic contradicting the specification
- Code clones, functionality duplication
- Gas usage
- Arbitrary token minting

Methodology

- 1. Code review that includes the following
 - 1. Review of the specifications, sources, and instructions provided to Quantstamp to make sure we understand the size, scope, and functionality of the smart contract.
 - 2. Manual review of code, which is the process of reading source code line-by-line in an attempt to identify potential vulnerabilities.
 - 3. Comparison to specification, which is the process of checking whether the code does what the specifications, sources, and instructions provided to Quantstamp describe.
- 2. Testing and automated analysis that includes the following:
 - 1. Test coverage analysis, which is the process of determining whether the test cases are actually covering the code and how much code is exercised when we run those test cases.
 - 2. Symbolic execution, which is analyzing a program to determine what inputs cause each part of a program to execute.
- 3. Best practices review, which is a review of the smart contracts to improve efficiency, effectiveness, clarity, maintainability, security, and control based on the established industry and academic practices, recommendations, and research.
- 4. Specific, itemized, and actionable recommendations to help you take steps to secure your smart contracts.

Scope

Files Included

• src/*

Repo: https://github.com/Luganodes/Pectra-Batch-Contract

Extensions: sol

Operational Considerations

Possibility of Sending Invalid Requests

When submitting requests to system contracts, the contracts do not check whether the caller is capable of handling the funds associated with the validator public keys. Instead, these checks are performed by consensus layer nodes. Therefore, submitting invalid requests is possible and will result in loss of Ether sent to the contracts.

Possibility of Consolidating to Validator of Another

When consolidating funds from a source validator to a target validator, the consensus layer nodes check whether the requesting execution-layer address is the same as the address in the source validator's withdrawal credential. However, it performs no such check with regard to the target validator's withdrawal credential. Therefore, it is possible to irretrievably consolidate funds to a validator that is not owned by the requestor.

To Be Used Only on Ethereum L1

The Pectra contract is to be used on Ethereum L1. It interfaces with mechanisms specifically present in the Pectra hard fork of Ethereum, such as withdrawals and consolidations. However, forks of Ethereum are implementing or have implemented aspects of

Pectra in their own nodes. However, the extent to which these nodes are similar to or different from Ethereum's nodes and the consequent impact of these differences on the functioning of the Pectra contract are not in scope in this audit.

Key Actors And Their Capabilities

Via EIP-7702, the contract is intended to be delegated to by an EOA. All function calls would be accessed by delegate calls, and hence the onlySelf() modifier would allow only the delegating EOA to call the functions of this contract.

Findings

LUGA-1

Batch Operations Do Not Use Current Request Fee Which May • Low (3) Fixed Lead to Overpayment



Update

Marked as "Fixed" by the client.

Addressed in: 3ef8aefb35d95badecf21b4e6b0391bc07edf5bd and

63ff13b26f3170da798fea1964f7d124a301a64a.

Description: The following is noted in both EIP-7002 and EIP-7251:

Calls to the system contract require a fee payment defined by the current contract state. Overpaid fees are not returned to the caller. It is not generally possible to compute the exact required fee amount ahead of time. When adding a [withdrawal/consolidation] request from a contract, the contract can perform a read operation to check for the current fee and then pay exactly the required amount.

Currently, there are no checks in place to determine whether excess fees are about to be sent to the system contracts. Therefore, using the functions in Pectra, it is possible to send fees in excess of the required amount with no possibility of recovery.

Exploit Scenario:

- 1. A frontend or integration calculates the current per-request fee (e.g., 8 wei) via staticcall and sends a batch of 32 requests with msg.value = 256 wei.
- 2. Between the fee estimation and transaction inclusion, one or more blocks pass, and the required fee decreases to 5 wei.
- 3. The contract proceeds with amountPerTx = msg.value / batchSize = 8 wei, which exceeds the required 5 wei fee per call.
- 4. Each system contract call receives excess payment, resulting in an overpayment of 96 wei in total none of which is refunded.

Recommendation: Enhance all batch functions to:

- 1. Perform a staticcall to the respective target contract to retrieve the current required fee.
- 2. Revertif the supplied msg.value is less than fee * batchSize.
- 3. Use the actual fee retrieved from the target contract in the .call{value: fee} invocation rather than computing amountPerTx manually.

LUGA-2

Lack of Withdrawal Amount Validation May Lead to Unexpected Outcomes







Update

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Addressed in: 44e6d94df2ac1f251591a0d0f64d265946687815 b40613bb1c4df691d479c296ab7860411af3eea9, and 3e3145c7f8f3210ffb35d4d4dbff04004be49299.

Description: In batchELExit(), although the length of the amount of an exit is validated, the exact value is not validated. However, validating this value may be worthwhile.

Suppose the value of the amount is 0. In the consensus layer node logic, this will trigger a full exit. Although this may be desired, if 0 is entered not knowing this, then the requestor may unexpectedly exit their entire balance from the validator.

Now consider that the maximum amount of Ether a validator can hold in Pectra is 2048. However, it is possible to submit a withdrawal request where the amount is greater than 2048 Ether. In such a case, if the validator has compounding withdrawal credentials, then as much Ether as possible will be withdrawn while maintaining the validator's minimum activation balance and pending balance to withdraw.

In either case, accidental inputs may lead to unexpected outcomes.

Recommendation: In addition to validating the length of the withdrawal amount, validate the value of the withdrawal amount. Ensure that if it 0, then a request will be sent only if the user toggles a boolean flag in the parameters to batchELExit(). Moreover, consider skipping a withdrawal if the value of the amount exceeds 2048 Ether.

LUGA-3 EOA-Behaviour Mismatch







Update

Marked as "Fixed" by the client. Addressed in: 50b5dbd9dacc1436b781dccc6f43ba482038fb9b and 085a6985fcc86843df1084c55d474bbe6dc67b3e.

File(s) affected: Pectra.sol

Description: The documentation states:

Transaction Completion: The transaction finishes execution. The EOA's code delegation to Pectra.sol remains in place.

Once delegation persists, the externally-owned account effectively becomes a contract account, yet the contract lacks:

- receive() plain ETH transfers (transfer / send) revert.
- fallback() calls with arbitrary calldata revert instead of no-oping as on a normal EOA.
- onERC721Received / onERC1155Received safe token transfers fail.

This breaks long-established EOA behaviour and may surprise users, dApps, or tooling that expect the address to accept dust ETH or safe-transferred NFTs.

Recommendation: If perpetual delegation is intended, consider adding the following functions:

```
receive() external payable {}
fallback() external payable {}
function onERC721Received(...) external pure returns (bytes4) {
    return this.onERC721Received.selector;
function onERC1155Received(...) external pure returns (bytes4) {
    return this.onERC1155Received.selector;
}
function onERC1155BatchReceived(...) external pure returns (bytes4) {
    return this.onERC1155BatchReceived.selector;
}
```

However, if perpetual delegation is not intended, then removing delegation to the contract, at least for some time, may restore regular EOA behavior for that time.

Auditor Suggestions

S1 Use Custom Errors

Fixed



Update

Marked as "Fixed" by the client.

Addressed in: 29e649791b3ccb88894421bf883183f8dec25f80.

Description: Compared to using require() with a string, the use of custom errors saves gas. Currently, only one custom error is used. However, all string-bearing require() statements can be replaced with custom errors.

In addition, in order to improve readability, custom errors can be implemented using require(), which is a feature introduced in Solidity 0.8.26.

Recommendation: Replace all revert and require() statements with require() statements that use custom errors.

S2 Magic Constants

Fixed



Update

Marked as "Fixed" by the client.

Addressed in: 5268e94a0e73f540cdab34c17ee357580cf8737f.

Description: At a number of occasions, numeric literals are used in function logic without much description. It would be beneficial to instead use constants, and for each constant, write code comments explaining their purpose.

Recommendation: Replace numeric literals with constants.

S3 Gas Optimization

Fixed



Update

Marked as "Fixed" by the client.

Addressed in: cccd9cffcfba3c124d9d606ba6feba994a86e8b6.

Description: When incrementing through for loops, it is more expensive to use i++ than ++i.

Recommendation: Use ++i instead of i++ when incrementing through for loops.

S4 Remove Unused OpenZeppelin Dependency

Fixed



Update

Marked as "Fixed" by the client.

Addressed in: ce0050b9f5f4865219d2db452eafc50ae75c7be6.

Description: The OpenZeppelin contracts are installed via Foundry but are not used in the code.

Recommendation: Remove the unused dependency from the project to maintain a clean and minimal repository.

S5 Use constant Instead of immutable for Static Addresses

Fixed



Update

Marked as "Fixed" by the client.

Addressed in: 86a800f802f68ab8723cf1fe9656b503acaab1ba.

File(s) affected: Pectra.sol

Description: The addresses consolidationTarget and exitTarget are known at compile time and are not set in the constructor. Declaring them as constant instead of immutable would reduce gas costs.

Recommendation: Use the constant keyword for these addresses, and optionally update their naming to uppercase for clarity:

address public constant CONSOLIDATION_TARGET

S6 Use calldata for External Function Parameters Instead of memory

Fixed



Update

Marked as "Fixed" by the client.

Addressed in: f609e116233822a9531944699ec4257cfa281eaa.

File(s) affected: Pectra.sol

Description: All external functions in the contract use the memory data location for dynamic input parameters (e.g., bytes memory, bytes[] memory). However, since these parameters are passed from outside the contract, they are initially stored in calldata. Copying them into memory introduces unnecessary gas costs.

The calldata location is ideal for external inputs — it is non-modifiable, non-persistent, and significantly more gas-efficient for read-only access.

Recommendation: Use calldata instead of memory for dynamic input types in all external functions where the parameters are only read and not modified.

Example From Code:

function batchConsolidation(bytes[] memory sourcePubkeys, bytes memory targetPubkey) external payable onlySelf {

Recommended Improvement:

function batchConsolidation(bytes[] calldata sourcePubkeys, bytes calldata targetPubkey) external payable onlySelf {

S7

Use Foundry EIP-7702 Cheatcodes to Simulate Live Delegation Behavior

Fixed



Update

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Addressed in: cdb5ba8b0087098f3ffe7995bf6a8f66c7c5a152.

File(s) affected: Pectra.t.sol

Description: To accurately reflect how the contract behaves when used via EIP-7702 delegation, tests should incorporate Foundry's delegation-specific cheatcodes. The signAndAttachDelegation cheatcode enables simulation of EOA-to-contract delegation in a single step, mimicking on-chain behavior introduced in EIP-7702.

Example:

vm.signAndAttachDelegation(address(pectra), EOA_PRIVATE_KEY);

This designates the next call as originating from an EOA delegated to the Pectra contract.

Recommendation: Leverage signAndAttachDelegation in the test suite to ensure contract behavior aligns with real-world delegated execution scenarios.

S8 Event Emission Improvements

Fixed



Update

Marked as "Fixed" by the client.

Addressed in: d6be7c152bd7967ca5ada30b511d7a3c1a48f301.

File(s) affected: Pectra.sol

Description: Event emission can improved on a number of items.

- 1. Failure events embed long English sentences plus raw bytes data; repeated emissions inside loops consume considerable gas and bloat logs.
- 2. ConsolidationFailed does not include the targetPubkey, limiting the usefulness of the event for debugging and analytics.
- 3. All failure events carry a sender field, but onlySelf restricts calls to a single address, making that parameter redundant gas overhead.

Recommendation: Implement the following changes:

- 1. Replace verbose strings with concise numeric reason codes or define separate event signatures per failure type and decode them off-chain to cut gas costs.
- 2. Add the targetPubkey parameter to ConsolidationFailed, ensuring both source and destination keys are emitted for full context.
- 3. Drop the sender argument from failure events to further reduce event size.

Definitions

- **High severity** High-severity issues usually put a large number of users' sensitive information at risk, or are reasonably likely to lead to catastrophic impact for client's reputation or serious financial implications for client and users.
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- Informational The issue does not post an immediate risk, but is relevant to security best practices or Defence in Depth.
- **Undetermined** The impact of the issue is uncertain.
- Fixed Adjusted program implementation, requirements or constraints to eliminate the risk.
- Mitigated Implemented actions to minimize the impact or likelihood of the risk.
- Acknowledged The issue remains in the code but is a result of an intentional business or design decision. As such, it is supposed to be addressed outside the programmatic means, such as: 1) comments, documentation, README, FAQ; 2) business processes; 3) analyses showing that the issue shall have no negative consequences in practice (e.g., gas analysis, deployment settings).

Appendix

File Signatures

The following are the SHA-256 hashes of the reviewed files. A file with a different SHA-256 hash has been modified, intentionally or otherwise, after the security review. You are cautioned that a different SHA-256 hash could be (but is not necessarily) an indication of a changed condition or potential vulnerability that was not within the scope of the review.

Files

Repo: https://github.com/Luganodes/Pectra-Batch-Contract

• af4...1f5 ./src/Pectra.sol

Toolset

The notes below outline the setup and steps performed in the process of this audit.

Setup

Tool Setup:

Slither ☑ v0.10.0

Steps taken to run the tools:

1. Install the Slither tool: pip3 install slither—analyzer

Automated Analysis

Slither

Slither identifies the use of numeric literals.

Test Suite Results

Overall, the test suite is rather good. However, it does not use Pectra delegation. See S4 for details.

Update: The test suite was bolstered from 23 tests to 32 tests, including e.g. delegation and retrieving fees.

```
Ran 32 tests for test/Pectra.t.sol:PectraTest
[PASS] testBatchConsolidation_Delegation() (gas: 62216)
[PASS] testBatchConsolidation_EmptySources() (gas: 19058)
[PASS] testBatchConsolidation_FailedCall() (gas: 1056691755)
[PASS] testBatchConsolidation_InvalidSourcePubkeyLength() (gas: 33368)
[PASS] testBatchConsolidation_InvalidTargetLength() (gas: 21897)
[PASS] testBatchConsolidation_Success() (gas: 57160)
[PASS] testBatchConsolidation_TooManySources() (gas: 146357)
[PASS] testBatchConsolidation_Unauthorized() (gas: 20212)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_Delegation() (gas: 55181)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_EmptyData() (gas: 17164)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_ExceedsMaximumAmount() (gas: 33289)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_FailedCall() (gas: 1056691311)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_FullExitWithAmount() (gas: 31572)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_InvalidPublicKeyLength() (gas: 30794)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_SuccessWithValidAmount() (gas: 50292)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_SuccessWithZeroAmount() (gas: 51131)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_TooManyValidators() (gas: 556674)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_Unauthorized() (gas: 18989)
[PASS] testBatchELExit_ZeroAmountWithoutConfirmation() (gas: 32089)
[PASS] testBatchSwitch_Delegation() (gas: 50453)
[PASS] testBatchSwitch_EmptyValidators() (gas: 17185)
[PASS] testBatchSwitch_FailedCall() (gas: 1056690367)
[PASS] testBatchSwitch_InvalidValidatorPubkeyLength() (gas: 28710)
[PASS] testBatchSwitch_Success() (gas: 45446)
[PASS] testBatchSwitch_TooManyValidators() (gas: 418726)
[PASS] testBatchSwitch_Unauthorized() (gas: 18314)
[PASS] testDelegation_FailsDueToOnlySelf() (gas: 23674)
[PASS] testDelegation_InvalidParameters() (gas: 21321)
[PASS] testDelegation_WrongPrivateKey() (gas: 25205)
[PASS] testGetFee_ConsolidationTarget() (gas: 12593)
[PASS] testGetFee_ExitTarget() (gas: 12590)
[PASS] testGetFee_FailedCall() (gas: 1040433000)
Suite result: ok. 32 passed; 0 failed; 0 skipped; finished in 125.56ms (1.02s CPU time)
Ran 1 test suite in 148.65ms (125.56ms CPU time): 32 tests passed, 0 failed, 0 skipped (32 total
tests)
```

Code Coverage

Code coverage is very good, with branch coverage exceeding 90%.

Update: Branch coverage has dipped slightly, from 91.18% to 90%.

Changelog

- 2025-05-02 Initial report
- 2025-05-07 Final report

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