

# Hacks Averted

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# ArmorFi - Background

`redeemClaim` is called by a covered individual after a hack to claim the coverage they purchased. `PlanManager.checkCoverage` validates that the caller has purchased the correct coverage. If the check passes, the user should receive the requested amount of Ether.

Fair warning, this example is unfair.

# ArmorFi - Vulnerable Method

```
function redeemClaim(address _protocol, uint256 _hackTime, uint256 _amount)
    external
{
    bytes32 hackId = keccak256(abi.encodePacked(_protocol, _hackTime));
    require(confirmedHacks[hackId], "No hack with these parameters has been confirmed.");

    (uint256 planIndex, bool covered) = IPlanManager(getModule("PLAN")).checkCoverage(msg.sender, _protocol,
    _hackTime, _amount);
    require(covered, "User does not have valid amount, check path and amount");

    // Put Ether into 18 decimal format.
    uint256 payment = _amount * 10 ** 18;
    msg.sender.transfer(payment);
}
```

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`_amount` is *already* in Wei. The lines in red make the amount sent to the caller  $10^{18}$  times too large. This would be a total wipeout. I told you this was an unfair example.

# ArmorFi - How Did This Happen?

- Refactoring from xDai
- Unit testing
- Confusing comments
- Ether/Wei not used consistently

<https://medium.com/immunefi/armorfi-bug-bounty-postmortem-cf46eb650b38>

# Charged Particles - Background

Charged Particles is a full-featured NFT marketplace supporting interest-bearing NFTs, NFTs representing bundles of ERC20 assets, and NFTs that generate rewards to their owners each time they're sold. The vulnerable method allows for on-chain sale of interest-bearing NFTs with a royalty paid to the creator.

# Charged Particles - Vulnerable Method

```
function _buyProton(uint256 tokenId) internal {
    uint256 ownerAmount = _tokenSalePrice[tokenId];
    require(msg.value >= ownerAmount, "Proton:E-414");

    // Creator Royalties
    uint256 creatorAmount;
    address royaltiesReceiver = _creatorRoyaltiesReceiver(tokenId);
    uint256 royaltiesPct = _tokenCreatorRoyaltiesPct[tokenId];
    uint256 lastSellPrice = _tokenLastSellPrice[tokenId];
    if (royaltiesPct > 0 && lastSellPrice > 0 && salePrice > lastSellPrice) {
        creatorAmount = (salePrice - lastSellPrice).mul(royaltiesPct).div(PERCENTAGE_SCALE);
        ownerAmount = ownerAmount.sub(creatorAmount);
    }
    _tokenLastSellPrice[tokenId] = salePrice;

    // Transfer Payment
    payable(ownerOf(tokenId)).sendValue(ownerAmount);
    if (creatorAmount > 0) {
        payable(royaltiesReceiver).sendValue(creatorAmount);
    }

    // Transfer Token
    _transfer(ownerOf(tokenId), _msgSender(), tokenId);
}
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# Charged Particles - Vulnerable Method

```
pragma solidity 0.6.12;
contract Ransom {
    bool internal ransomEnabled = true;
    constructor() public {}
    function unlockNFT() public payable {
        if(msg.value >= 1 ether) {
            ransomEnabled = false;
        }
    }
    fallback() external payable {
        require(!ransomEnabled);
    }
}
```

# Charged Particles - How did this Happen?

- Always treat user-supplied contracts as hostile
  - Where else could they call?
  - Can they DoS by reverting?
  - Can they consume unbounded amounts of gas?
- Always use a pull-pattern for payment
  - Only ever send payment to the caller

<https://medium.com/immunefi/charged-particles-griefing-bug-fix-postmortem-d2791e49a66b>

# PancakeSwap - Background

PancakeSwap operates a lottery. The lottery proceeds in phases. First, purchasing of tickets is opened. Anyone can purchase a ticket if they've approved CAKE tokens to the lottery contract. Then the drawing happens. On-chain sources of “randomness” are combined with an off-chain random number. Then the lottery is over and the winner claims their earnings. Repeat.

# PancakeSwap - Vulnerable Method

```
function multiBuy(uint256 _price, uint8[4][] memory _numbers) external {
    require (!drawed(), 'drawed, can not buy now');
    uint256 totalPrice = 0;
    for (uint i = 0; i < _numbers.length; i++) {
        uint256 tokenId = lotteryNFT.newLotteryItem(msg.sender, _numbers[i], _price, issueIndex);
        userInfo[msg.sender].push(tokenId);
        totalPrice = totalPrice.add(_price);
    }
    cake.safeTransferFrom(address(msg.sender), address(this), totalPrice);
}
```

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Did you notice the un-fixed error in the description of the lottery?

# PancakeSwap - How did this Happen?

- Copy/paste error
- `multiBuy` wasn't exposed through the Web3 UI
- Unit testing didn't cover the “sad” path

<https://medium.com/immunefi/pancakeswap-lottery-vulnerability-postmortem-and-bug-4febdb1d2400>

# Zapper - Background

Zapper is a platform for DeFi portfolio management. Some of their contracts allow easy management of UniswapV2 LP positions. The vulnerable contract allows users to easily remove liquidity from their position. UniswapV2 implements a variant EIP-2612 that allows users to set a token approval without submitting a transaction on chain, saving gas.

# Zapper - Vulnerable Method

```
function ZapOutWithPermit(
    address toTokenAddress,
    address fromPoolAddress,
    uint256 incomingLP,
    uint256 minTokensRec,
    bytes memory permitData,
    address[] memory swapTargets,
    bytes[] memory swapData,
    address affiliate
) public stopInEmergency returns (uint256) {
    // permit
    _validatePool(fromPoolAddress);
    (bool success, ) = fromPoolAddress.call(permitData);
    require(success, "Could Not Permit");

    return (
        ZapOut(
            toTokenAddress,
            fromPoolAddress,
            incomingLP,
            minTokensRec,
            swapTargets,
            swapData,
            affiliate,
            false
        )
    );
}
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}
```

# Zapper - How did this happen?

- Use of `.call` is extremely dangerous, especially with user-supplied calldata.
- Avoid the use of `.call` whenever possible.
- If use of `.call` is unavoidable, carefully control the calldata
  - Whitelist selectors
  - Whitelist contracts
  - Construct the calldata on-chain from structured, user-supplied input
- Use a linter or static analyzer

<https://immunefi.medium.com/zapper-arbitrary-call-data-bug-fix-postmortem-d75a4a076ae9>

<https://medium.com/zapper-protocol/post-mortem-sushiswap-uniswap-v2-zap-out-exploit-84e5d34603f0>

# Fei Protocol - Background

FEI is an algorithmic stablecoin that uses the assets (ETH) controlled by the protocol to maintain the pricing peg of  $1 \text{ FEI} = 1 \text{ USD}$ . There are a variety of methods, but in this case we're using only the method that allows users to mint FEI at \$1.01, putting a hard cap on the maximum price of FEI. The protocol-controlled value is used to provide liquidity in the UniswapV2 pool.

# Fei Protocol - Vulnerable Methods

```
function purchase(address to, uint256 amountIn)
    external
    payable
    override
    postGenesis
    whenNotPaused
{
    require(
        msg.value == amountIn,
        "Bonding Curve: Sent value does not equal input"
    );
    updateOracle();

    amountOut = getAmountOut(amountIn);
    _incrementTotalPurchased(amountOut);
    fei().mint(to, amountOut);
}
```

(this can be invoked from outside, ethAmount is the amount of ETH held in the contract)

```
function _addLiquidity(uint256 ethAmount, uint256 feiAmount) internal {
    _mintFei(feiAmount);
    uint256 endTime = uint256(-1);
    router.addLiquidityETH{value: ethAmount}(
        address(fei()),
        feiAmount,
        0, // slippage
        0,
        address(this),
        endTime
    );
}
```

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# Fei Protocol - How Did This Happen?

- Interaction with a DEX is always dangerous - avoid it if possible
- Always use a stable, manipulation resistant pricing oracle
- Never trust the spot price of DEX

<https://medium.com/immunefi/fei-protocol-flashloan-vulnerability-postmortem-7c5dc001affb>

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Backup slides



# Primitive Finance - Background

Primitive Finance allows users to buy and sell options on underlying ERC20 tokens. It contains an adapter to permit the use of flash loans while swapping and trading tokens.

# Primitive Finance - Vulnerable Method

```
function uniswapV2Call(  
    address sender,  
    uint256 amount0,  
    uint256 amount1,  
    bytes calldata data  
) external override {  
    address token0 = IUniswapV2Pair(msg.sender).token0();  
    address token1 = IUniswapV2Pair(msg.sender).token1();  
    assert(msg.sender == factory.getPair(token0, token1));  
    (bool success, bytes memory returnData) = address(this).call(data);  
    require(  
        success &&  
        (returnData.length == 0 || abi.decode(returnData, (bool))),  
        "ERR_UNISWAPV2_CALL_FAIL"  
    );  
}
```

# Primitive Finance - Vulnerability

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) external override {  
    address token0 = IUniswapV2Pair(msg.sender).token0();  
    address token1 = IUniswapV2Pair(msg.sender).token1();  
    require(sender == address(this));  
    assert(msg.sender == factory.getPair(token0, token1));  
    (bool success, bytes memory returnData) = address(this).call(data);  
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# Primitive Finance - How Did This Happen?

- Insufficient validation
- Whitelist *everything*

<https://primitivefinance.medium.com/postmortem-on-the-primitive-finance-whitehack-of-february-21st-2021-17446c0f3122>

# Fei Protocol - Vulnerable Method

```
/// @notice get the burn amount of a sell transfer
/// @param amount the FEI size of the transfer
/// @return penalty the FEI size of the burn incentive
/// @return _initialDeviation the Decimal deviation from peg before a transfer
/// @return _finalDeviation the Decimal deviation from peg after a transfer
/// @dev calculated based on a hypothetical sell, applies to any ERC20 FEI transfer to the pool
function getSellPenalty(uint256 amount) public view override {
    int256 signedAmount = amount.toInt256();

    (
        Decimal.D256 memory initialDeviation,
        Decimal.D256 memory finalDeviation,
        Decimal.D256 memory peg,
        uint256 reserveFei,
        uint256 reserveOther
    ) = _getPriceDeviations(signedAmount);

    // if trade ends above peg, it was always above peg and no penalty needed
    if (finalDeviation.equals(Decimal.zero())) {
        return (0, initialDeviation, finalDeviation);
    }

    uint256 incentivizedAmount = amount;
    // if trade started above but ended below, only penalize amount going below peg
    if (initialDeviation.equals(Decimal.zero())) {
        uint256 amountToPeg = _getAmountToPegFei(reserveFei, reserveOther, peg);
        incentivizedAmount = amount.sub(amountToPeg, "UniswapIncentive: Underflow");
    }

    Decimal.D256 memory multiplier =
        _calculateIntegratedSellPenaltyMultiplier(initialDeviation, finalDeviation);
    penalty = multiplier.mul(incentivizedAmount).asUint256();
    return (penalty, initialDeviation, finalDeviation);
}
```

# Fei Protocol - Vulnerable Method

```
function swap(uint amount0Out, uint amount1Out, address to) external lock {
    (uint112 _reserve0, uint112 _reserve1) = getReserves();
    require(amount0Out < _reserve0 && amount1Out < _reserve1, 'UniswapV2: INSUFFICIENT_LIQUIDITY');

    uint balance0;
    uint balance1;
    {
        address token0 = token0;
        address token1 = token1;
        require(to != token0 && to != token1, 'UniswapV2: INVALID TO');
        if (amount0Out > 0) _safeTransfer(token0, to, amount0Out); // optimistically transfer tokens
        if (amount1Out > 0) _safeTransfer(token1, to, amount1Out); // optimistically transfer tokens
        balance0 = IERC20(token0).balanceOf(address(this));
        balance1 = IERC20(token1).balanceOf(address(this));
    }

    uint amount0In = balance0 > _reserve0 - amount0Out ? balance0 - (_reserve0 - amount0Out) : 0;
    uint amount1In = balance1 > _reserve1 - amount1Out ? balance1 - (_reserve1 - amount1Out) : 0;
    require(amount0In > 0 || amount1In > 0, 'UniswapV2: INSUFFICIENT_INPUT_AMOUNT');
    {
        uint balance0Adjusted = balance0.mul(1000).sub(amount0In.mul(3));
        uint balance1Adjusted = balance1.mul(1000).sub(amount1In.mul(3));
        require(balance0Adjusted.mul(balance1Adjusted) >= uint(_reserve0).mul(_reserve1).mul(1000*2), 'UniswapV2: K');
    }

    _update(balance0, balance1, _reserve0, _reserve1);
}

function _update(uint balance0, uint balance1, uint112 _reserve0, uint112 _reserve1) private {
    uint32 blockTimestamp = uint32(block.timestamp % 2**32);
    uint32 timeElapsed = blockTimestamp - blockTimestampLast;
    if (timeElapsed > 0 && _reserve0 != 0 && _reserve1 != 0) {
        // * never overflows, and + overflow is desired
        price0CumulativeLast += uint(Uq112x112.encode(_reserve1).uqdiv(_reserve0)) * timeElapsed;
        price1CumulativeLast += uint(Uq112x112.encode(_reserve0).uqdiv(_reserve1)) * timeElapsed;
    }
    reserve0 = uint112(balance0);
    reserve1 = uint112(balance1);
    blockTimestampLast = blockTimestamp;
    emit Sync(reserve0, reserve1);
}
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    penalty = multiplier.mul(incentivizedAmount).asUint256();
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}
```

# Fei Protocol - How Did This Happen?

- Explicitly define your system invariants
- Check those invariants at every step of the system
- Use a fuzzer

<https://medium.com/immunefi/fei-protocol-vulnerability-postmortem-483f9a7e6ad1>



# Vesper/BT Finance - Background

A common pattern in yield farming is to periodically swap some underlying asset (e.g. Ether, stablecoin, etc.) for the yield token on a DEX, then burn the yield token or hold it in the contract. `harvest` purchases TokenB (e.g. the yield token) with some TokenA (e.g. Ether, stablecoin).

# Vesper/BT Finance - Vulnerable Method

```
function harvest() public {  
    withdrawTokenA();  
    uint256 reward = TokenA.balanceOf(address(this));  
    unirouter.swapExactTokensForTokens(reward, 0, pathTokenAB, this, now.add(1800));  
    depositTokenB();  
}
```

This isn't verbatim code from either project.

# Vesper/BT Finance - Vulnerability

```
function harvest() public onlyOwner {  
    require(msg.sender == tx.origin);  
    withdrawTokenA();  
    uint256 reward = TokenA.balanceOf(address(this));  
    unirouter.swapExactTokensForTokens(reward, 0, pathTokenAB, this, now.add(1800));  
    depositTokenB();  
}
```

1. Flash loan underlying token
2. Uniswap underlying token -> yield token
3. Call harvest
4. Uniswap yield token -> underlying token
5. Return flash loan

# Vesper/BT Finance - How did this happen?

- “What’s the harm? Whoever calls it pays gas, only to have the contract collect its rightful yield.”
- The use case of calling from another contract wasn’t considered.
- Any interaction with a DEX must be guarded this way because flash loans allow attackers to arbitrarily manipulate market conditions

<https://medium.com/dedaub/yield-skimming-forcing-bad-swaps-on-yield-farming-397361fd7c72>