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# CODE SECURITY ASSESSMENT

FOUR MEME

# Overview

## Project Summary

- Name: Four Meme
- Platform: Binance Smart Chain
- Language: Solidity
- Audit Range: See [Appendix - 1](#)

# Project Dashboard

## Application Summary

|         |   |
|---------|---|
| Name    | Four Meme   |
| Version | v5  |
| Type    | Solidity  |
| Dates   | Oct 09 2024   |
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## Vulnerability Summary

|                              |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Total High-Severity issues   | 3  |
| Total Medium-Severity issues | 7  |
| Total Low-Severity issues    | 0  |
| Total informational issues   | 1  |
| Total                        | 11 |

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## Risk Level Description

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| <b>High Risk</b>     | The issue puts a large number of users' sensitive information at risk, or is reasonably likely to lead to catastrophic impact for clients' reputations or serious financial implications for clients and users. |
| <b>Medium Risk</b>   | The issue puts a subset of users' sensitive information at risk, would be detrimental to the client's reputation if exploited, or is reasonably likely to lead to a moderate financial impact.                  |
| <b>Low Risk</b>      | The risk is relatively small and could not be exploited on a recurring basis, or is a risk that the client has indicated is low impact in view of the client's business circumstances.                          |
| <b>Informational</b> | The issue does not pose an immediate risk, but is relevant to security best practices or defense in depth.  |

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# Introduction

## 1.1 About SALUS

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We are dedicated to tackling the toughest security challenges facing the industry today. By building foundational trust in technology and infrastructure through security, we help clients to lead their respective industries and unlock their full Web3 potential.

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## 1.2 Audit Breakdown

The objective was to evaluate the repository for security-related issues, code quality, and adherence to specifications and best practices. Possible issues we looked for included (but are not limited to):

- Risky external calls
- Integer overflow/underflow
- Transaction-ordering dependence
- Timestamp dependence
- Access control
- Call stack limits and mishandled exceptions
- Number rounding errors
- Centralization of power
- Logical oversights and denial of service
- Business logic specification
- Code clones, functionality duplication

## 1.3 Disclaimer

Note that this security audit is not designed to replace functional tests required before any software release and does not give any warranties on finding all possible security issues with the given smart contract(s) or blockchain software, i.e., the evaluation result does not guarantee the nonexistence of any further findings of security issues.

# Findings

## 2.1 Summary of Findings

| ID | Title  | Severity      | Category        | Status       |
|----|--|---------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1  | Meme tokens may be locked in contract  | High          | Business Logic  | Resolved     |
| 2  | The meme pool launch can be delayed  | High          | Business Logic  | Resolved     |
| 3  | The initial price can be manipulated, causes meme to fail to flow to liquidity pools | High          | Business Logic  | Resolved     |
| 4  | Non-functional LP Locking  | Medium        | Business Logic  | Resolved     |
| 5  | Centralization risk  | Medium        | Centralization  | Acknowledged |
| 6  | Possible billing dos because of small supply   | Medium        | Business Logic  | Resolved     |
| 7  | The voteUserNum can be manipulated   | Medium        | Data Validation | Resolved     |
| 8  | Chain reorg may lead to voting on the wrong token                                    | Medium        | Front-running   | Resolved     |
| 9  | Id in addToken may be reused   | Medium        | Data Validation | Resolved     |
| 10 | Add token can be dos   | Medium        | Business Logic  | Resolved     |
| 11 | Lack of _disableInitializers   | Informational | Business Logic  | Resolved     |

## 2.2 Notable Findings

Significant flaws that impact system confidentiality, integrity, or availability are listed below.

|  |                          |
|--|--------------------------|
| <b>1. Meme tokens may be locked in contract</b>                                  |                          |
| Severity: High   | Category: Business Logic |
| Target: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- contracts/Activity.sol</li></ul> |                          |

### Description

When the activity is finished, the manager can withdraw meme tokens in the contract.

The problem is that the available withdrawal meme token amount cannot exceed the VOTE\_TOKEN's balance. And VOTE\_TOKEN's balance might be zero because users can claim their VOTE\_TOKEN before the activity is totally finished.

contracts/Activity.sol:L285-L293

```
function adminWithdraw(IERC20 token, uint amount) external onlyRole(MANAGER_ROLE) {
    require(feeReceiver != address(0), "illegal receiver");
    // Only the whole activity finished, we can withdraw meme
    require(block.timestamp >= timeInfo.finishTime() + OWNER_WITHDRAW_TIME, "illegal
time");
    uint balance = VOTE_TOKEN.balanceOf(address(this));
    if (amount > balance) {
        amount = balance;
    }

    token.safeTransfer(feeReceiver, amount);
}
```

### Recommendation

Should check the withdrawal token's balance.

### Status

This issue has been resolved by the team.

## 2. The meme Pool launch can be delayed.

Severity: High

Category: Business Logic

Target:

- contracts/Activity.sol

### Description

After a meme token vote ends, the `KEEPER\_ROLE` can call the `billing` function to launch the meme token. The `billing` function involves `addLiquidity` to the meme-baseToken pair through the `SWAP\_ROUTER`.

A malicious user can create a meme-baseToken pair before the `KEEPER\_ROLE` calls the `billing` function, then transfer 1 wei of `baseToken` to the pair and sync to update the baseToken reserve.

This way, calling the `billing` function to `addLiquidity` will revert because the check meme token reserve is equal to 0, while the `baseToken` reserve is greater than 0 in `SWAP\_ROUTER::quote`.

contracts/Activity.sol:L202-L211

```
function billing(uint64 season) external payable onlyRole(KEEPER_ROLE)
whenBilling(season) {
    ...
    ( , , uint liquidity) = SWAP_ROUTER.addLiquidity(
        address(memeToken), address(BASE_TOKEN),
        memeTokenAmount, baseTokenAmount,
        0, 0,
        address(this), block.timestamp
    );
    ...
}
```

contracts/mock/swap/PancakeRouter.sol:L308-L312

```
function quote(uint amountA, uint reserveA, uint reserveB) internal pure returns (uint
amountB) {
    require(amountA > 0, 'PancakeLibrary: INSUFFICIENT_AMOUNT');
    require(reserveA > 0 && reserveB > 0, 'PancakeLibrary: INSUFFICIENT_LIQUIDITY');
}
```

### Recommendation

We recommend adding a new function that allows the `KEEPER\_ROLE` to directly send meme tokens and `baseToken` to the meme-baseToken pair contract and call `mint` to add liquidity when such situations occur.

### Status

This issue has been resolved by the team.



### 3. The initial price can be manipulated, causes meme to fail to flow to liquidity pools

Severity: High

Category: Business Logic

Target:

- contracts/Activity.sol

## Description

The protocol uses PancakeV3 as its liquidity pool. When there is no liquidity in the pool, its price can be arbitrarily manipulated. This occurs because, when liquidity is insufficient or price limits are reached, the pool executes partial trades instead of reverting.

If the initial price is manipulated, it may result in meme and baseToken being injected into the liquidity pool at an incorrect ratio during the billing phase. Additionally, if the price manipulation is effective, it could prevent meme from entering the liquidity pool during the billing phase.

## Attach Scenario

1. Before the keeper calls billing to add liquidity, attackers manipulate the price of solt0 in the pool to the highest or lowest
2. When adding tokens required for liquidity, only a single token is provided because the price is [outside the set range](#).
3. Therefore, attackers can lock memeToken in the activity contract instead of flowing to the pair

## Proof of Concept

This test demonstrates that after a malicious user manipulates the price through a swap, the expected behavior of billing changes (meme tokens fail to flow properly into the liquidity pool).

```
function test_billing_exploit() public {
    address memeToken = poolInit();

    vm.warp(block.timestamp + 1000);
    vm.startPrank(exploiter);
    IPancakeV3Pool pair = IPancakeV3Pool(
        pancakeFactory.getPool(address(baseToken), address(memeToken), 2500)
    );

    bool isZero = address(memeToken) < address(baseToken) ? false : true;

    Callback callback = new Callback(
        address(pair),
        address(baseToken),
        address(memeToken)
    );
    bytes memory call = new bytes(0);
```

```

// Price manipulation
callback.swap(
    msg.sender,
    isZero,
    1,
    isZero
        ? 4295128739 + 1
        : 1461446703485210103287273052203988822378723970342 - 1,
    call
);
vm.stopPrank();

vm.startPrank(admin);
uint256 memeBeforeBilling = IERC20(memeToken).balanceOf(address(activity));
activity.billing(1);
uint256 memeAfterBilling = IERC20(memeToken).balanceOf(address(activity));

require(memeBeforeBilling == memeAfterBilling, "Meme is temporarily locked in the
activity contract");
}

```

## Recommendation

Consider adding features to ensure meme's enter the liquidity pool at billing time.

## Status

This issue has been resolved by the team.

## 4. Non-functional LP Locking

Severity: Medium

Category: Business Logic

Target:

- contracts/Activity.sol

### Description

When the keeper bills one season, LP tokens will be locked for ten years.

The problem is that lockLPToken's parameter should be the unlock date, not locking period.

src/Activity.sol:L187-L231

```
function billing(uint64 season) external payable onlyRole(KEEPER_ROLE)
whenBilling(season) {
    ...
    IERC20(pair).approve(address(LP_LOCKER), liquidity);
    LP_LOCKER.lockLPToken{value: ethFee}(pair, liquidity, LOCK_PERIOD,
    payable(address(0)), true, feeReceiver);
    ...
}
```

### Recommendation

Should use `current.timestamp + LOCK\_PERIOD`.

### Status

This issue has been resolved by the team.

## 5. Centralization risk

Severity: Medium

Category: Centralization

Target:

- contracts/Activity.sol
- contracts/Factory.sol

### Description

In Activity and Factory contracts, there exists one privileged owner role. This role has authority over key operations such as upgrading the contract.

If these roles' private keys were compromised, an attacker could exploit this access to withdraw all tokens.

### Recommendation

We recommend transferring privileged accounts to multi-sig accounts with timelock governors for enhanced security. This ensures that no single person has full control over the accounts and that any changes must be authorized by multiple parties.

### Status

This issue has been acknowledged by the team.

## 6. Possible billing dos because of small supply

Severity: Medium

Category: Business Logic

Target:

- contracts/Activity.sol

### Description

When the keeper bills one season, some meme tokens will be added into LP pool as the liquidity.

The problem is that the meme token amount for LP pool might be too small if the total supply is quite small. There is one `MINIMUM\_LIQUIDITY` limitation in the Uniswap V2 pool. The `addLiquidity` might be reverted because of insufficient liquidity.

src/Activity.sol:L188-L198

```
function billing(uint64 season) external payable onlyRole(KEEPER_ROLE)
whenBilling(season) {
    require(pairs[season] == address(0), "already billing");
    address bestTokenAddress = bestToken[season];
    ...
    // Get the best meme token from this season.
    IERC20 memeToken = IERC20(bestToken[season]);
    uint totalSupply = memeToken.totalSupply();
    uint memeTokenAmount = totalSupply * memeTokenPercent / PERCENT_BASE;
    ...
}
```

### Recommendation

Add one minimum totalSupply limitation when users add one token.

### Status

This issue has been resolved by the team.

## 7. The voteUserNum can be manipulated

Severity: Medium

Category: Data Validation

Target:

- contracts/Activity.so

### Description

In the `vote` function, when `voteHistory[msg.sender][tokenAddress] == 0`, it will increase the `voteUserNum` for that token.

Since there is no check to verify whether the input `amount` is larger than 0, a malicious actor can repeatedly call the `vote` function with an `amount` of 0 to continuously increase the `voteUserNum`. The `voteUserNum` will be manipulated, affecting other users' voting choice.

contracts/Activity.sol:L165-L181

```
function vote(address tokenAddress, uint amount) external whenNotPaused whenVoting
nonReentrant {
    ...
    bool newUser = voteHistory[msg.sender][tokenAddress] == 0;
    if (newUser) {
        tokenInfo.voteUserNum += 1;
    }
    ...
    voteHistory[msg.sender][tokenAddress] = voteHistory[msg.sender][tokenAddress] +
    amount;
    ...
}
```

### Recommendation

Check that the `amount` must be greater than 0.

### Status

This issue has been resolved by the team.

## 8. Chain reorg may lead to voting on the wrong token.

Severity: Medium

Category: Front-running

Target:

- contracts/Activity.sol
- contracts/Factory.sol

### Description

The `Factory` contract uses the `create` opcode to deploy new ERC20 tokens, so the address of the deployed contract is determined by the `nonce` of the `Factory` contract.

If a chain reorganization occurs, it might reverse the addresses of two meme tokens deployed before it happened. Voters may vote for the wrong meme token.

### Attach Scenario

The transaction order before a chain reorganization occurs:

1. Alice added a meme token, which was deployed at `addrA`.
2. Alice voted 1000 for `addrA`.

The transaction order after a chain reorganization occurs:

1. Bob added a meme token, which was deployed at `addrA`
2. Alice added a meme token, which was deployed at `addrB`.
3. Alice voted 1000 for `addrA`.

This chain reorganization causes Alice to mistakenly vote 1000 for the meme token created by Bob.

contracts/Factory.sol:L81-L83

```
function deployERC20(string calldata _name, string calldata _symbol, uint256
_totalSupply) external returns (FourMemeERC20) {
    return new FourMemeERC20(_name, _symbol, defaultDecimals, _totalSupply, msg.sender);
}
```

contracts/Activity.sol:L155-L185

```
function vote(address tokenAddress, uint amount) external whenNotPaused whenVoting
nonReentrant {
    ...
}
```

### Recommendation

We recommend using the `create2` method, specifying the hash of the creator's address and the token information as the salt.

### Status

This issue has been resolved by the team.

## 9. Id in addToken function may be reused

Severity: Medium

Category: Data Validation

Target:

- contracts/Activity.sol

### Description

The `addToken` function does not perform any checks on the provided id, name, symbol, or other parameters. This means a malicious actor could add a token with information identical to that of an already deployed token. In the current design, the `id` is uniquely generated by the backend and it should not be reused. Deploying two tokens with identical information should also not be encouraged.

contracts/Activity.sol:L131-L153

```
function addToken(bytes32 id, string calldata name, string calldata symbol, uint
totalSupply) external payable whenNotPaused whenVoting nonReentrant {
    ...
    IERC20 token = factory.deployERC20(name, symbol, totalSupply);
    ...
    emit AddToken(id, token, name, symbol, factory.defaultDecimals(), totalSupply,
season, block.timestamp);
}
```

### Recommendation

We recommend generating the id based on the token information on-chain to distinguish between different tokens.

### Status

This issue has been resolved by the team.



## 10. Add token can be dos

Severity: Medium

Category: Business Logic

Target:

- contracts/Activity.sol

### Description

contracts/Activity.sol:L259-L304

```
function addToken(bytes32 id, string calldata name, string calldata symbol, uint
totalSupply) external payable whenNotPaused whenVoting nonReentrant {
    ...
    IERC20 token = factory.deployERC20(tokenId, name, symbol, totalSupply);
    createV3Pool(token);
    ...
}

function createV3Pool(IERC20 memeToken) internal {
    ...
    address pool = SWAP_V3_FACTORY.createPool(token0, token1, SWAP_V3_FEE);
    IPancakeV3Pool(pool).initialize(sqrtPriceX96);
    tokenPairs[address(memeToken)] = pool;
}
```

The `addToken()` function needs to call the createPool() in pancakeV3 Factory.

### PancakeV3Factory

```
/// @inheritdoc IPancakeV3Factory
function createPool(
    address tokenA,
    address tokenB,
    uint24 fee
) external override returns (address pool) {
    ...
    require(getPool[token0][token1][fee] == address(0));
    pool = IPancakeV3PoolDeployer(poolDeployer).deploy(address(this), token0, token1,
    fee, tickSpacing);
    getPool[token0][token1][fee] = pool;
    // populate mapping in the reverse direction, deliberate choice to avoid the cost of
    comparing addresses
    getPool[token1][token0][fee] = pool;
    emit PoolCreated(token0, token1, fee, tickSpacing, pool);
}
```

However, attackers can calculate the token address in advance and then front-running to create a pool, causing addToken to be revert.

### Recommendation

If the pool has already been created, there is no need to call createV3Pool().

### Status

This issue has been resolved by the team.

## 2.3 Informational Findings

### 11. Lack of `_disableInitializers`

Severity: Informational

Category: Business Logic

Target:

- `contracts/Factory.sol`

#### Description

The `Factory` logic contract lacks `_disableInitializers` to disable the initialization of the contract, allowing anyone to call the `initialize` function in `Factory` logic contract which increases the attack surface.

#### Recommendation

We recommend adding `_disableInitializers` in the constructor of the `Factory` contract.

#### Status

This issue has been resolved by the team.

# Appendix

## Appendix 1 - Files in Scope

This audit covered the following files:

| File                | SHA-1 hash                               |
|---------------------|--|
| Activity.sol        | ffcaf0a86cb2fb4887685efaf9d4b67ef8547567 |
| Factory.sol         | 1366b380b2f03a55f2d1a8b50701e79398423f83 |
| LibActivityTime.sol | 1a77f8770fdce4ebe1b5d2ad2cdc745e29b65995 |
| FourMemeERC20.sol   | 2be7c5a5b409bacda81c8a88334eb60437b3c3ad |

And we audited the files that introduced new features:

| File         | SHA-1 hash                               |
|--------------|--|
| Activity.sol | f798cdc171217f836eb3bd8ad755b69a646669f9 |
| Factory.sol  | 38ca57bafab087f4716b94c3881433bccc7effc0 |

And we audited the files that include fixes:

| File           | SHA-1 hash                               |
|----------------|--|
| Activity.sol   | cad99151dc54222f2de7288c780e1d32f3836809 |
| SwapHelper.sol | 649a2964333cc5aa2381b580803bb7666c5906ad |