



Competitive Security Assessment

M3tering

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Summary

This report is prepared for the project to identify vulnerabilities and issues in the smart contract source code. A group of NDA covered experienced security experts have participated in the Secure3's Audit Contest to find vulnerabilities and optimizations. Secure3 team has participated in the contest process as well to provide extra auditing coverage and scrutiny of the finding submissions.

The comprehensive examination and auditing scope includes:

- Cross checking contract implementation against functionalities described in the documents and white paper disclosed by the project owner.
- Contract Privilege Role Review to provide more clarity on smart contract roles and privilege.
- Using static analysis tools to analyze smart contracts against common known vulnerabilities patterns.
- Verify the code base is compliant with the most up-to-date industry standards and security best practices.
- Comprehensive line-by-line manual code review of the entire codebase by industry experts.

The security assessment resulted in findings that are categorized in four severity levels: Critical, Medium, Low, Informational. For each of the findings, the report has included recommendations of fix or mitigation for security and best practices.

Overview

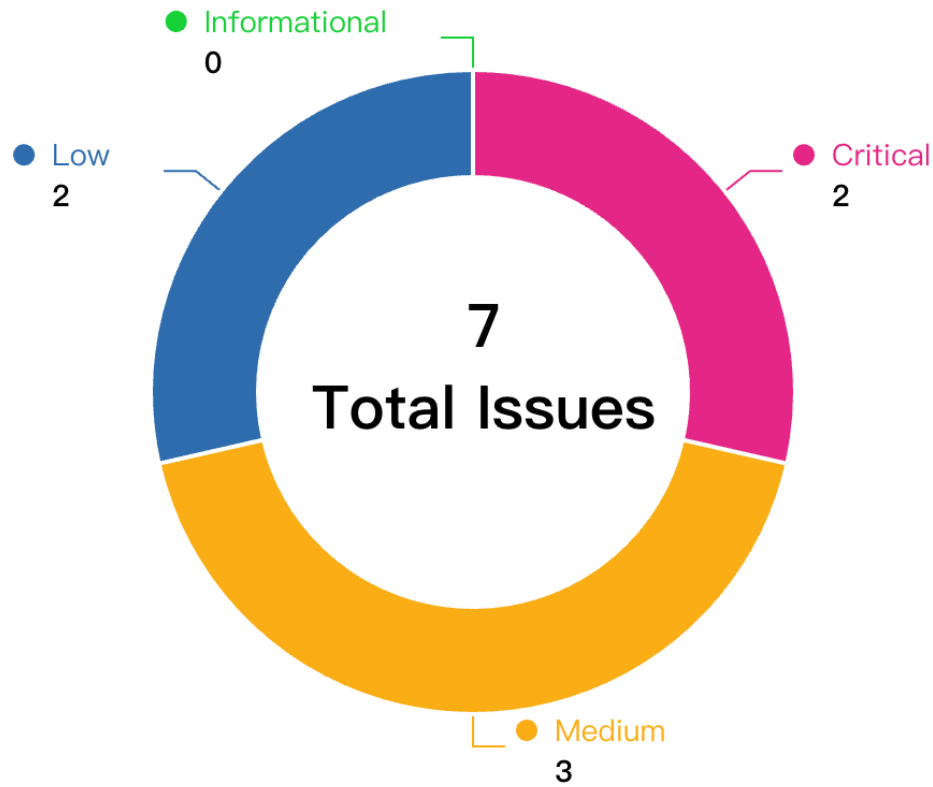
Project Detail

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|--------------------------------|---|
| Project Name | M3tering |
| Platform & Language | Solidity |
| Codebase | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• https://github.com/M3tering/Solaxy• audit commit - 58b5b5ea59bacd181be6f402c6f85f561794df67• final commit - 58b5b5ea59bacd181be6f402c6f85f561794df67• https://github.com/M3tering/Protocol/• audit commit - 04f9040bf27607897e309e1fbec1f678b2d1d3c0• final commit - 1ff59cbb8878a3c6f2793fce7c9c3ec7daf89615• https://github.com/M3tering/Protocol-V0• audit commit - 11e2b6314e1121f3f5350dfc13c6354f2644a46d• final commit - 11e2b6314e1121f3f5350dfc13c6354f2644a46d• https://github.com/M3tering/Protocol-V1• audit commit - 8fe0ccc666659a84f51024af696e0c8d6dbfa3bb• final commit - b6234f17d1373314151add86d713b133ea7efccc• https://github.com/M3tering/Protocol-V2• audit commit - f3848c8f09a8808d573f795a865114540282e9f5• final commit - f3848c8f09a8808d573f795a865114540282e9f5• https://github.com/M3tering/M3ters• audit commit - 35652a35bb1f92bd6ac2aac5b11913e909eccf07• final commit - 35652a35bb1f92bd6ac2aac5b11913e909eccf07 |
| Audit Methodology | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Audit Contest• Business Logic and Code Review• Privileged Roles Review• Static Analysis |

Audit Scope

| File | SHA256 Hash |
|---|--|
| ./Solaxy/src/Solaxy.sol | 88ce066eb38d35792fde4d7445638076036470810866b0635f115f47b64e3166 |
| ./Protocol-ABC/contracts/Protocol.sol | 0ffb05dd6d4e69fe3fd362b09b1f5dea98874907769cf00c768b5c4a7103e6c6 |
| ./Protocol-ABC/contracts/interfaces/IProtocol.sol | ddd00f1a32d70bf05f38a4f11cb97e64e3940f6126cf87a0f65358bae04d07b4 |
| ./M3ters/contracts/XRC721.sol | 1cf1b154125a177d29a9fdc982b4a66db47d9fb4de5b8f1895d89cf7dca93121 |
| ./M3ters/contracts/M3ter.sol | e40d2c7c801bcced7dec2eb908295c2a0895ede059d07d794fb3e0ccfdb4ec5 |
| ./Protocol-V2/Strategy_V2.sol | 3a20364e558ae7c60198c19c4edbc226bc175c2e93bc6b7842003fb354eca238 |
| ./Solaxy/src/interfaces/ISolaxy.sol | db0af9de3f529b3ba2097d29952e7e86c011a41c09a5bf803320414e343371fe |
| ./Solaxy/src/XRC20.sol | af89d6c8c31822144d5ac57dbb0fa7cda606f682a6f34a6bb4fe0d90cde820 |
| ./Protocol-V2/interfaces/IMimo.sol | 5f050be3087754614b3332bf5d32ca5061a98730c68b122290387f9fc2fa1c38 |
| ./M3ters/contracts/interfaces/IM3ter.sol | 095d03faf59e49490d7f782660a9331e307330d3187bae4aeaa8885879a736ed |
| ./Protocol-V1/Strategy_V1.sol | 94b5a511818243e8d54a44d5a475fd905878a8575f57cc95a325fe6aad259102 |
| ./Protocol-V0/Strategy_V0.sol | 2a3856c2b0ab8d6a9769d7c32dfc4fe5fcd9c8aaad810e241f216e28a66ffa |
| ./Protocol-V2/interfaces/ISolaxy.sol | d1744935481761192aa47133a6d6dcadedd971e0bf260edf6f31ce03c606875a |

Code Assessment Findings



| ID | Name | Category | Severity | Client Response | Contributor |
|-------|--|-------------------|----------|-----------------|----------------|
| M3T-1 | wrong DAI and token address | Logical | Critical | Mitigated | zigzag, toffee |
| M3T-2 | Call library contracts error | Logical | Critical | Fixed | zigzag |
| M3T-3 | Protocol.pay() can pay to the wrong revenues owner | Logical | Critical | Declined | toffee |
| M3T-4 | Solaxy very high redeem fee and withdraw fee not mentioned in the whitepaper | Privilege Related | Medium | Acknowledged | toffee |

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|-------|---|--------------------------------------|--------|-------|-----------------------|
| M3T-5 | Protocol::_setStrategyLib() lacks access control | Logical | Medium | Fixed | ethprinter, zigzag |
| M3T-6 | Strategy_V2 should be a library contracts | Logical | Medium | Fixed | zigzag |
| M3T-7 | Protocol::_setFeeAddress() Missing Zero Address Check | Logical | Low | Fixed | ethprinter |
| M3T-8 | _setTariff function unsafe cast to uint248 from uint256 | Integer Overflow and Underflow | Low | Fixed | toffee |

M3T-1:wrong DAI and token address

| Category | Severity | Client Response | Contributor |
|----------|----------|-----------------|----------------|
| Logical | Critical | Mitigated | zigzag, toffee |

Code Reference

- code/Protocol-V1/Strategy_V1.sol#L13
- code/Protocol-ABC/contracts/Protocol.sol#L17
- code/Solaxy/src/Solaxy.sol#L17
- code/Protocol-V2/Strategy_V2.sol#L17
- code/Protocol-ABC/contracts/Protocol.sol#L20

```

13:ISolaxy SLX = ISolaxy(0x1CbAd85Aa66Ff3C12dc84C5881886EEB29C1bb9b); // TODO: add Solaxy address

17:IERC20 public constant DAI =

17:ERC20 public constant DAI = ERC20(0x1CbAd85Aa66Ff3C12dc84C5881886EEB29C1bb9b);

17:IERC20 SLX = IERC20(0x147CdAe2BF7e809b9789aD0765899c06B361C5cE); // solaxy

20:IERC721(0x1CbAd85Aa66Ff3C12dc84C5881886EEB29C1bb9b); // TODO: M3ter Address

```

Description

zigzag : <https://iotexscan.io/search?q=DAI>

In this web page, there are two Dai token. In M3tering contracts, the DAI's address is `0x1cbad85aa66ff3c12dc84c5881886eeb29c1bb9b` and the price is \$0.1. The most critical thing is that the total supply value of the token is very small, less than 1k. The price of another token is close to ¥1, and the total supply is much larger than `0x1cba`. Obviously, `0x1cba` is more likely to be affected by the market and cause price fluctuations, which is contrary to the original intention of the protocol design.

toffee : the token address is wrong (while some of them have `TODO` comment, still worth point out)

- `0x1CbAd85Aa66Ff3C12dc84C5881886EEB29C1bb9b` is DAI at https://iotexscan.io/token/io1rjadsk4xdleuztwgf3vgrzrwav5urwumaakt0w#token_transfer
- `0x147CdAe2BF7e809b9789aD0765899c06B361C5cE` is MimoV2Router02NoReferral at <https://iotexscan.io/address/io1z37d4c4l06qfh9uf45rktzvuvq6ekr3ww6tju03>


```

IERC721 public constant M3ter =
    IERC721(0x1CbAd85Aa66Ff3C12dc84C5881886EEB29C1bb9b); // TODO: M3ter Address //audit:the address is wrong
=====
ISolaxy SLX = ISolaxy(0x1CbAd85Aa66Ff3C12dc84C5881886EEB29C1bb9b); // TODO: add Solaxy address //audit:the address is wrong
    if (!IERC20(0x1CbAd85Aa66Ff3C12dc84C5881886EEB29C1bb9b).approve(address(SLX), revenueAmount)) revert Unauthorized();

=====

IERC20 SLX = IERC20(0x147CdAe2BF7e809b9789aD0765899c06B361C5cE); // solaxy //audit:the address is wrong
IMimo MIMO = IMimo(0x147CdAe2BF7e809b9789aD0765899c06B361C5cE); // router
IERC20 DAI = IERC20(0x1CbAd85Aa66Ff3C12dc84C5881886EEB29C1bb9b); // ioDAI

```

commented with `audit:`

Recommendation

zigzag : Refactor the Dai's address to 0x62a9d987cbf4c45a550deed5b57b200d7a319632.

toffee : correct the token and contract address

Client Response

Mitigated. Yeah this is acknowledged. however the supply of DAI can be increased as users bridge in more DAI from Ethereum L1 mainnet to IoTeX mainnet after the protocol is in use.

Also, there is currently a proposal to develop a stablecoin native to the Iotex ecosystem.

<https://community.iotex.io/t/proposal-for-the-development-of-a-native-iotex-stablecoin/11121> If the proposal is successfully implemented, we might ditch bridged DAI altogether and use the natively supported stablecoin instead.

Acknowledged, once the M3ter and Solaxy contracts are deployed, we would have the correct addresses for the protocol contracts code and this would be fixed as well. >

the above are just placeholder addresses

M3T-2:Call library contracts error

| Category | Severity | Client Response | Contributor |
|----------|----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Logical | Critical | Fixed | zigzag |

Code Reference

- code/Protocol-ABC/contracts/interfaces/IProtocol.sol#L4
- code/Protocol-V0/Strategy_V0.sol#L7
- code/Protocol-ABC/contracts/Protocol.sol#L84

```
4:interface ClaimStrategy {  
  
7:library Strategy_V0 {  
  
84:ClaimStrategy(libAddress).claim(revenueAmount, receiver, outputAmount, deadline);
```

Description

zigzag :

```
function claim(address libAddress, address receiver, uint256 outputAmount, uint256 deadline) external whenNotPaused {  
    .....  
    ClaimStrategy(libAddress).claim(revenueAmount, receiver, outputAmount, deadline);  
    emit Claim(msg.sender, revenueAmount, block.timestamp);  
}  
library Strategy_V0 {  
    function claim(uint256 revenueAmount, address receiver, uint256 outputAmount, uint256 deadline) public {  
        if (!IERC20(0x1CbAd85Aa66Ff3C12dc84C5881886EEB29C1bb9b).transfer(receiver, revenueAmount)) revert TransferError();  
    }  
}
```

The design is that the user different `libaddress` to perform different `ClaimStrategy` operations. `ClaimStrategy(libAddress).claim(...)` is a call. Hence, The ERC20's transfer call of `msg.sender` is `Strategy_V0`. Obviously, the `Strategy_V0` lack of DAI. The normal design is Protocol delegatedcall `Strategy_V0`'s logic. The most important thing is that the library contracts is no status. See this Link below:

<https://sepolia.etherscan.io/address/0x1976a59014660b27593dbf3e08cf369b147fdcde#writeContract> It means Not allowed to be called directly. So it can cause DOS.

Recommendation

zigzag : 1. delete mapping(address => bool) public strategyLib;

```
- mapping(address => bool) public strategyLib;
+ enum Option{ Zero, One, Two }
function claim(Option _option, address receiver, uint256 outputAmount, uint256 deadline) external whenNotPaused {
- if (strategyLib[libAddress] == false) revert BadStrategy();
  uint256 revenueAmount = revenues[msg.sender];
  if (revenueAmount < 1) revert InputIsZero();
  revenues[msg.sender] = 0;

+ if(option == Zero){
+   Strategy_V0.claim(revenueAmount, receiver, outputAmount, deadline);
+ }else{
+   .....
+ }
  emit Claim(msg.sender, revenueAmount, block.timestamp);
}
```

2. Using delegatecall

```
function claim(address libAddress, address receiver, uint256 outputAmount, uint256 deadline) external whenNotPaused {
  if (strategyLib[libAddress] == false) revert BadStrategy();
  uint256 revenueAmount = revenues[msg.sender];
  if (revenueAmount < 1) revert InputIsZero();
  revenues[msg.sender] = 0;

+ (bool success, bytes memory data) = libAddress.delegatecall(
+   abi.encodeWithSignature("claim(uint256, address, uint256t, uint256) ", revenueAmount, receiver, outputAmount, deadline)
+ );
+ require(success, "Call failed");
  emit Claim(msg.sender, revenueAmount, block.timestamp);
}
```

libAddress need more access control.

Client Response

Fixed. 100% agree with this, I only noticed this shortly after the contest was scheduled to begin

I have implemented a fix here

<https://github.com/M3tering/Protocol/commit/d40e10c3febd38753d8548f300810f3c95499a7a>, and also made follow up

improvements here <https://github.com/M3tering/Protocol/commit/25d2b3f44cb3d2207d31acd15fe76ba96b44288a>

Summary

I ditched the use of `DELEGATECALL` operation via the `library` and implemented strategy as a smart `contract` instead. I had difficulty using the library to execute state changing function. So instead, strategy can be implemented as a contract.

In the updated implementation approves the strategy contract to only spend `msg.sender` DAI revenue. it also allows the strategy contract to receive encoded bytes as input parameter. I also continue to use a mapping to curate strategies allowed to be executed in the claim function.

Here is a truncated, view of the function code.

```
function claim(
    address strategyAddress,
    bytes calldata data
) external whenNotPaused {
    if (strategy[strategyAddress] == false) revert BadStrategy();
    uint256 revenueAmount = revenues[msg.sender];
    ...
    if (!DAI.approve(strategyAddress, revenueAmount)) revert Unauthorized();
    IStrategy(strategyAddress).claim(revenueAmount, data);
    ...
}
```

the claim function implements balance checks before and after the strategy contract is executed and reverts if unexpected state change is detected on the protocol DAI balance. I believe these check would be sufficient to prevent reentrancy attacks as any illegal state changes would trigger a revert.

```
function claim(
    address strategyAddress,
    bytes calldata data
) external whenNotPaused {
    ...
    uint256 preBalance = DAI.balanceOf(address(this));
    ...
    uint256 postBalance = DAI.balanceOf(address(this));
    if (postBalance != preBalance - revenueAmount) revert TransferError();
    emit Claim(msg.sender, revenueAmount, block.timestamp);
}
```

Would really appropriate if this new implementation was reviewed carefully and giving priority to find any more bugs hiding in this implementation pattern.

M3T-3: Protocol.pay() can pay to the wrong revenues owner

| Category | Severity | Client Response | Contributor |
|----------|----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Logical | Critical | Declined | toffee |

Code Reference

- code/M3ters/contracts/M3ter.sol#L26
- code/Protocol-ABC/contracts/Protocol.sol#L61-L67
- code/Protocol-ABC/contracts/Protocol.sol#L106

```
26: function mint() external onlyRole(REGISTRAR_ROLE) whenNotPaused {  
  
61: function pay(uint256 tokenId, uint256 amount) external whenNotPaused {  
62:     if (!DAI.transferFrom(msg.sender, address(this), amount))  
63:         revert TransferError();  
64:  
65:     uint256 fee = (amount * 3) / 1000;  
66:     revenues[feeAddress] += fee;  
67:     revenues[_ownerOf(tokenId)] += amount - fee;  
  
106: return M3ter.ownerOf(tokenId);
```

Description

toffee : In the Protocol.pay() function, the msg.sender send x DAI to Protocol contract, and amount less 0.3% of the fee is credited to tokenId owner via revenues[_ownerOf(tokenId)] += amount - fee;

the call stack trace is as below Protocol::_ownerOf() -> M3ter.ownerOf(tokenId) -> ERC721.ownerOf(tokenId) -> ERC721._owners[tokenId]

<https://github.com/OpenZeppelin/openzeppelin-contracts/blob/master/contracts/token/ERC721/ERC721.sol#L172>

However the owner is not always the user.

Let's take a look on the M3ter.mint() function, it is with onlyRole(REGISTRAR_ROLE) modifier hence makes it only callable by the contract creator itself. Within the M3ter contract there is only _register function updates its customized tokenRegistry and keyDirectory state, **NOT** the common 721 _owners state.

I assume the design is to have the REGISTRAR_ROLE to call _register to mark the NFT ID to owner address relationship, but the actual owner on chain would still be contract creator REGISTRAR_ROLE unless the contract creator transfer it one by one to the actual owner address immediately (which would then update the 721 _owners state). Since the transfer or safeTransfer is not in the _register or mint function, there can be cases where the

transfer failed after mint completes, and the `tokenRegistry` and `keyDirectory` states will be out of sync of `ERC721.owners` state.

A detailed failing scenario would be if the passed in `publicKey` is a contract and it does not implement `IERC721Receiver.onERC721Received`, the safe transfer will fail. And in that case the revenue will always be added to `REGISTRAR_ROLE` incorrectly.

Recommendation

toffee : in `M3ter.mint` function mint to the user directly with a whitelist for the allowed user list.

Client Response

Declined. The M3ter contract mints NFTs that represent physical smart metering devices IRL. these devices contain cryptographic secure elements used to sign energy consumption data they measure. the purpose of `tokenRegistry` is to map an NFT id to the cryptographic `PublicKey` for a device (bytes 32 key for ED25519 digital signature scheme).

Accepted by Secure3.

M3T-4: Solaxy very high redeem fee and withdraw fee not mentioned in the whitepaper

| Category | Severity | Client Response | Contributor |
|-------------------|----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Privilege Related | Medium | Acknowledged | toffee |

Code Reference

- code/Solaxy/src/Solaxy.sol#L250
- code/Solaxy/src/Solaxy.sol#L278

```
250:fee = withdrawnShares.mul(ud60x18(0.359e18)).intoUint256();

278:UD60x18 _fee = ud60x18(shares).mul(ud60x18(0.264e18));
```

Description

toffee : The `Solaxy.computeWithdraw()` charges **35.9%** of the fee when withdraw DAI The `Solaxy.computeRedeem()` charges **26.4%** of the fee when redeem shares

```
fee = withdrawnShares.mul(ud60x18(0.359e18)).intoUint256();

UD60x18 _fee = ud60x18(shares).mul(ud60x18(0.264e18));
```

these percentage is high and not mentioned in the public doc <https://m3tering.whynotswitch.com/token-economics/mint-and-distribution>

Recommendation

toffee : make the doc and code consistent

Client Response

Acknowledged. My bad for failing to document the fee situation actually only a 7% fee is applied during withdrawal or redemption. However this is applied to the DAI reserve and not the SLX. It's a bit tricky.

when a user withdraws or redeems, 73.6% of their SLX is burnt and the length of the linear slope of the bonding curve is reduced to only 26.4% of the original slope. However, the area under the burnt section of the slope is ~93% of the total area under the curve (DAI reserve).

Here is an visualization of this effect.  newplot(16) in the above visualization we assume

- user owns 100_000 SLX (100% of supply)
- slope is 0.00125

Redeeming:

- current price = $\$100,000 * 0.00125\$ = 125$
- total area under slope = $\frac{1}{2} * 100,000 * 125\$ = 6,250,000$
- price after burn = $\$26,400 * 0.00125\$ = 33$
- remaining area under fee slope = $\frac{1}{2} * 26,400 * 33\$ = 435,600$
- fee percentage actually = $\$435,600 / 6,250,000\$ = 0.069696$ or ~7%

the `withdraw` function also implements an ~7% fee; but because the DAI to be received is specified as input to the function, the calculation varies a bit. A more simplified form of that calculation is executed within the `computeWithdraw` function to save gas and accurate up 0.002 DAI

fixed the docs with info about the fee, you can read about it here <https://m3tering.whynotswitch.com/token-economics/burn-and-exit-fee>

M3T-5: Protocol::_setStrategyLib() lacks access control

| Category | Severity | Client Response | Contributor |
|----------|----------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Logical | Medium | Fixed | ethprinter, zigzag |

Code Reference

- code/Protocol-ABC/contracts/Protocol.sol#L57
- code/Protocol-ABC/contracts/Protocol.sol#L57-L59
- code/Solaxy/src/Solaxy.sol#L315

```
57: function _setStrategyLib(address libAddress, bool state) external {  
  
57: function _setStrategyLib(address libAddress, bool state) external {  
58:     strategyLib[libAddress] = state;  
59: }  
  
315: if (!DAI.transfer(receiver, assets)) revert TransferError();
```

Description

ethprinter : `Protocol::_setStrategyLib()` lacks access control, it allows anyone to set the state of `libAddress`, which could result in the attack of `claim()` function, it first check whether `libAddress` is valid in : `if (strategyLib[libAddress] == false) revert BadStrategy();` and make an external call in : `ClaimStrategy(libAddress).claim(revenueAmount, receiver, outputAmount, deadline);` if an attacker can modify `strategyLib[]`, they can easy bypass the check, which could result in reentrancy attack.

zigzag :

```
function _setStrategyLib(address libAddress, bool state) external {  
    strategyLib[libAddress] = state;  
}
```

Everyone can set the `strategyLib[libAddress]` to true , also can set it false.

```
function claim(address libAddress, address receiver, uint256 outputAmount, uint256 deadline) external whenNotPaused {  
    if (strategyLib[libAddress] == false) revert BadStrategy();  
    .....
```

So attacker can monitor the contracts, when someone call `_setStrategyLib`, it can reset again. Thus causing the claim function dos.

Recommendation

ethprinter : add access control of `Protocol::_setStrategyLib()`, only allow `owner` to change the state.

zigzag :

```
function _setStrategyLib(address libAddress, bool state) external onlyRole(SetStrategyLib_ROLE) {
    strategyLib[libAddress] = state;
}
```

Client Response

Fixed. 100% agree

Implemented a fix for this by creating a spacial role `CURATOR_ROLE` allowed to curate the mapping of strategies.

Without this role, the transaction is expected to always revert. you can find the commit fixing this here.

<https://github.com/M3tering/Protocol/commit/107335d5611cbc6cc4c6b96d83b9f3ca721a92a7>

M3T-6:Strategy_V2 should be a library contracts

| Category | Severity | Client Response | Contributor |
|----------|----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Logical | Medium | Fixed | zigzag |

Code Reference

- code/Protocol-V2/Strategy_V2.sol#L8

```
8:contract Strategy_V2 {
```

Description

zigzag : Strategy_V2 should be a library contract. Obviously, Strategy_V2 doesn't have DAI token. `MIM0.swapExactTokensForTokensSupportingFeeOnTransferTokens` will revert.

Recommendation

zigzag :

```
library Strategy_V2 {
```

Client Response

Fixed. As mentioned in https://github.com/Secure3Audit/findings_M3tering/issues/5#issuecomment-1837503748, The library fails to execute and contracts was used instead.

you can see more explanation in https://github.com/Secure3Audit/findings_M3tering/issues/5#issuecomment-1837503748 and the pull request at

<https://github.com/M3tering/Protocol/commit/d40e10c3febd38753d8548f300810f3c95499a7a>

M3T-7: Protocol::_setFeeAddress() Missing Zero Address Check

| Category | Severity | Client Response | Contributor |
|----------|----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Logical | Low | Fixed | ethprinter |

Code Reference

- code/Protocol-ABC/contracts/Protocol.sol#L45-L49

```
45: function _setFeeAddress(  
46:     address otherAddress  
47: ) external onlyRole(DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE) {  
48:     feeAddress = otherAddress;  
49: }
```

Description

ethprinter : This Function is lack of zero address check in important operation, which may cause some unexpected result. Also If the feeAddress is set to address(0), it may cause damage to the protocol.

Recommendation

ethprinter :

```
function _setFeeAddress(  
address otherAddress  
) external onlyRole(DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE) {  
if (feeAddress == address(0)) revert ZeroAddress();  
feeAddress = otherAddress;  
}
```

Client Response

Fixed. valid concern, has been rectified as suggested

```
function _setFeeAddress(  
    address otherAddress  
) external onlyRole(DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE) {  
    if (otherAddress == address(0)) revert ZeroAddress();  
    feeAddress = otherAddress;  
}
```

you can find the commit with this fix here.

<https://github.com/M3tering/Protocol/commit/2ae2b99c7718ea03ff6a443023657a3de2d466f8>

M3T-8: `_setTariff` function unsafe cast to `uint248` from `uint256`

| Category | Severity | Client Response | Contributor |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----------------|-------------|
| Integer Overflow and Underflow | Low | Fixed | toffee |

Code Reference

- code/Protocol-ABC/contracts/Protocol.sol#L54

```
54:states[tokenId].tariff = uint248(tariff);
```

Description

toffee : In the `Protocol::_setTariff(uint256 tokenId, uint256 tariff)` function the passed in parameter `tariff` is downcast to `state.tariff`. As the `State struct` tries to pack two fields into one slot, `tariff` is defined as `uint248` hence `uint248(tariff)` can potentially overflow.

```
struct State {  
    // int:tariff = float:$ $ *10^3  
    uint248 tariff;  
    bool state;  
}
```

Recommendation

toffee : use the OpenZeppelin SafeCast utilities or check value for possible overflow

<https://github.com/OpenZeppelin/openzeppelin-contracts/blob/master/contracts/utils/math/SafeCast.sol#L50>

Client Response

Fixed. adding the safe-casting lib would probabaly cost more gas than saved in storage usage of `uint248` in the first place. reverted back to using `uint256` for the `tariff` in `State struct`. you can view the commit [here](https://github.com/M3tering/Protocol/commit/1ff59cbb8878a3c6f2793fce7c9c3ec7daf89615)

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