

Security Audit Report for UniBTC

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Report Manifest

Item	Description
Client	Bedrock Technology
Target	UniBTC

Version History

Version	Date	Description
1.0	July 12, 2024	First release

Signature

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Chapter 1 Introduction

1.1 About Target Contracts

Information	Description
Туре	Smart Contract
Language	Solidity
Approach	Semi-automatic and manual verification

The focus of this audit is the UniBTC contracts of Bedrock Technology ¹. Users can convert their BTC assets to an equivalent amount of uniBTC tokens and bridge these tokens across different chains through the Celer Network. Please note that only the three source files (i.e., uniBTC.sol, Peer.sol and Vault.sol) are within the scope of this audit.

The auditing process is iterative. Specifically, we would audit the commits that fix the discovered issues. If there are new issues, we will continue this process. The commit SHA values during the audit are shown in the following table. Our audit report is responsible for the code in the initial version (Version 1), as well as new code (in the following versions) to fix issues in the audit report.

Project	Version	Commit Hash
UniBTC	Version 1	30cae66619931c1e5c36c5f4fd8c0f85bd0180f8

1.2 Disclaimer

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This audit report is not an endorsement of any particular project or team, and the report does not guarantee the security of any particular project. This audit does not give any warranties on discovering all security issues of the smart contracts, i.e., the evaluation result does not guarantee the nonexistence of any further findings of security issues. As one audit cannot be considered comprehensive, we always recommend proceeding with independent audits and a public bug bounty program to ensure the security of smart contracts.

The scope of this audit is limited to the code mentioned in Section 1.1. Unless explicitly specified, the security of the language itself (e.g., the solidity language), the underlying compiling toolchain and the computing infrastructure are out of the scope.

https://github.com/Bedrock-Technology/uniBTC



1.3 Procedure of Auditing

We perform the audit according to the following procedure.

- **Vulnerability Detection** We first scan smart contracts with automatic code analyzers, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) the issues reported by them.
- Semantic Analysis We study the business logic of smart contracts and conduct further investigation on the possible vulnerabilities using an automatic fuzzing tool (developed by our research team). We also manually analyze possible attack scenarios with independent auditors to cross-check the result.
- Recommendation We provide some useful advice to developers from the perspective of good programming practice, including gas optimization, code style, and etc.
 We show the main concrete checkpoints in the following.

1.3.1 Software Security

- * Reentrancy
- * DoS
- * Access control
- * Data handling and data flow
- * Exception handling
- * Untrusted external call and control flow
- * Initialization consistency
- * Events operation
- * Error-prone randomness
- * Improper use of the proxy system

1.3.2 DeFi Security

- * Semantic consistency
- * Functionality consistency
- * Permission management
- * Business logic
- * Token operation
- * Emergency mechanism
- * Oracle security
- * Whitelist and blacklist
- * Economic impact
- * Batch transfer

1.3.3 NFT Security

- * Duplicated item
- * Verification of the token receiver
- * Off-chain metadata security



1.3.4 Additional Recommendation

- * Gas optimization
- * Code quality and style



Note The previous checkpoints are the main ones. We may use more checkpoints during the auditing process according to the functionality of the project.

1.4 Security Model

To evaluate the risk, we follow the standards or suggestions that are widely adopted by both industry and academy, including OWASP Risk Rating Methodology ² and Common Weakness Enumeration ³. The overall *severity* of the risk is determined by *likelihood* and *impact*. Specifically, likelihood is used to estimate how likely a particular vulnerability can be uncovered and exploited by an attacker, while impact is used to measure the consequences of a successful exploit.

In this report, both likelihood and impact are categorized into two ratings, i.e., *high* and *low* respectively, and their combinations are shown in Table 1.1.

High High Medium

Low Medium Low

High Low

Likelihood

Table 1.1: Vulnerability Severity Classification

Accordingly, the severity measured in this report are classified into three categories: **High**, **Medium**, **Low**. For the sake of completeness, **Undetermined** is also used to cover circumstances when the risk cannot be well determined.

Furthermore, the status of a discovered item will fall into one of the following four categories:

- **Undetermined** No response yet.
- **Acknowledged** The item has been received by the client, but not confirmed yet.
- **Confirmed** The item has been recognized by the client, but not fixed yet.
- **Fixed** The item has been confirmed and fixed by the client.

²https://owasp.org/www-community/OWASP_Risk_Rating_Methodology

³https://cwe.mitre.org/

Chapter 2 Findings

In total, we found **one** potential security issue. Besides, we have **one** recommendation and **two** notes.

- Low Risk: 1

- Recommendation: 1

- Note: 2

ID	Severity	Description	Category	Status	
1	Low	Precision loss in minting progress	Software Secu-	Acknowledged	
+	LOW	Frecision loss in minuing progress	rity	Ackilowieugeu	
2	-	Remove unused functionalities	Recommendation	Acknowledged	
3	-	Potential centralization risks	Note	-	
4	-	Unpegged tokens may drain the vault	Note	-	

The details are provided in the following sections.

2.1 Software Security

2.1.1 Precision loss in minting progress

Severity Low

Status Acknowledged

Introduced by Version 1

Description The Vault contract accepts several whitelisted tokens for deposit and mints a corresponding amount of uniBTC tokens to the depositors. The _amounts function returns two integers: the actual token amount to be consumed and the amount of uniBTC minted based on the deposited tokens.

In the _mint function, the token amount used in the safeTransferFrom function should be the first return value of the _amounts function. However, the minting progress uses the second value (i.e., _amount), which may lead to precision losses. Specifically, if the deposited amount of tokens includes dust (i.e., less than EXCHANGE_RATE_BASE), the dust portion is trucated, resulting in fewer uniBTC tokens being minted.

```
function _mint(address _sender, address _token, uint256 _amount) internal {
180
181
          (, uint256 uniBTCAmount) = _amounts(_token, _amount);
          require(uniBTCAmount > 0, "USR010");
182
183
          require(IERC20(_token).balanceOf(address(this)) + _amount <= caps[_token], "USR003");</pre>
184
185
186
          IERC20(_token).safeTransferFrom(_sender, address(this), _amount);
187
          IMintableContract(uniBTC).mint(_sender, uniBTCAmount);
188
189
          emit Minted(_token, _amount);
190
      }
```

Listing 2.1: contracts/contracts/Vault.sol



```
229
      function _amounts(address _token, uint256 _amount) internal returns (uint256, uint256) {
230
         uint8 decs = ERC20(_token).decimals();
231
         if (decs == 8) return (_amount, _amount);
232
          if (decs == 18) {
233
             uint256 uniBTCAmt = _amount /EXCHANGE_RATE_BASE;
234
             return (uniBTCAmt * EXCHANGE_RATE_BASE, uniBTCAmt);
235
         }
236
         return (0, 0);
237
      }
```

Listing 2.2: contracts/contracts/Vault.sol

This issue also occurs in another <u>_mint</u> function for minting <u>uniBTC</u> tokens from native tokens (BTC itself is the native token in some Bitcoin-based Layer 2 networks). This function should refund the remaining dust to the users.

```
166
      function _mint(address _sender, uint256 _amount) internal {
167
          (, uint256 uniBTCAmount) = _amounts(_amount);
          require(uniBTCAmount > 0, "USR010");
168
169
170
          require(address(this).balance <= caps[NATIVE_BTC], "USR003");</pre>
171
172
          IMintableContract(uniBTC).mint(_sender, uniBTCAmount);
173
174
          emit Minted(NATIVE_BTC, _amount);
175
      }
```

Listing 2.3: contracts/contracts/Vault.sol

Impact Users may spend more tokens to mint the same amount of uniBTC tokens.

Suggestion Revise the code accordingly.

2.2 Additional Recommendation

2.2.1 Remove unused functionalities

Status Acknowledged

Introduced by Version 1

Description The Vault contract inherits PausableUpgradeable without implementing the corresponding pause/unpause functions. Instead, it implements its own pausing mechanism at the token level within the mint functions. Therefore, this inheritance is unnecessary and can be removed.

```
57 function mint(address _token, uint256 _amount) external {
58    require(!paused[_token], "SYS002");
59    _mint(msg.sender, _token, _amount);
60 }
```

Listing 2.4: contracts/contracts/Vault.sol

Suggestion Remove unused functionalities.



2.3 Note

2.3.1 Potential centralization risks

Introduced by Version 1

Description In the UniBTC contracts, there are several functions with privileges to set key parameters. Modifying these parameters can significantly alter the functionality of the contracts, potentially rendering them unusable or in an incorrect state.

2.3.2 Unpegged tokens may drain the vault

Introduced by Version 1

Description In the Vault contract, users can convert any supported tokens (e.g., WBTC and FBTC) into uniBTC tokens and redeem them back in the exact same amount. This allows users to *swap* the supported tokens at a 1:1 ratio through the Vault contract. If one of the supported tokens becomes unpegged from the underlying BTC, it can still be swapped into other tokens at a 1:1 ratio. This may deplete the Vault contract and result in other unexpected consequences.

