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1. Executive Summary

In February 2022, Vesper engaged [Coinspect](#) to perform a source code review of **Vesper Pools**. The objective of the project was to continue to evaluate the security of the smart contracts.

This audit focused on the following updates: adding support for the Avalanche blockchain, support for two Compound forks that run on Avalanche, changes in the Convex and Curve strategies, and pool code updates.

In April 2022 Coinspect conducted a new review limited to the code modified to address the security issues identified during the initial assessment.

The following issues were identified during the initial assessment and their status has been updated on the latest review:

High Risk	Medium Risk	Low Risk
0	2	2
Fixed 0	Fixed 0	Fixed 2

Issues VSP-47 and VSP-49 were introduced by the code refactoring of strategies. Issue VSP-46 is caused by the lack of an oracle price reference in the new Avalanche strategy. VSP-48 arises from ignoring side effects when simulating calls inside a view function.

2. Assessment and Scope

The audit started on **February 7, 2022** and was conducted on the Git repository at <https://github.com/blogpriv/vesper-pools-v3>. The commit reviewed during this engagement was `9a484017e5adc63b428bdf0565352ea1e90d328` from **February 7, 2022**.

The scope of the audit was limited to the latest version of the following Solidity source files, shown here with their sha256sum hash:

```
81674c559f4ee1a8c439229fd7726272014c8746b94724596dffae2e7a2a7123 interfaces/curve/ILiquidityGauge.sol
4ef4d4fae45363ae3c61ec9db619576eed0e58229a53ae0ef47995772ce59c885 pool/PoolAccountant.sol
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ae95ba4f98b764edcccd7651bb5f75e1bc3089ebd7c1c66115102b95936a2afb4 pool/vfr/VFRStablePool.sol
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8bd3265e8ddc81c16bf9073865663a748efc85827e0c171160462027c476d999 strategies/Strategy.sol
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452ae8cd3548e3b511ebb2acae4cf8216a244c3019f2f1eee06eaa03fc9c3916 strategies/aave/AaveV1Strategy.sol
b03c251d9956571e74974f58c0beb024ff19b94b99a22eacffda05c03fdc1648 strategies/alpha/AlphaLendStrategy.sol
1bd224262117c13dbe759b62e8d2eca7c88c80879563175d3393fd726af6c8b8 strategies/compound/CompoundLeverageStrategyETH.sol
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3b0d3430b6f093b0351ee5a7e9168e32674c90e4e5a5b52182d7a20cb32818b strategies/curve/3Pool/CrvSBTCPoolStrategy.sol
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5b2dd5afee177b4e29e5389f21b853570a888dc58b8d1a0fc8bd7f8f34af36ce strategies/curve/4Pool/Crv4MetaPoolStrategy.sol
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561cfacc91a799ce691fd7df88e50419ee164c0e936f033fd4d5f1cd616e4cde upgraders/VPoolUpgrader.sol
```

The contracts are specified to compile using **Solidity 0.8.3**. It is recommended to update to Solidity compiler version **0.8.4** because this version fixed an important

bug. See [Solidity ABI Decoder Bug For Multi-Dimensional Memory Arrays](#) for more information.

Avalanche strategies

A new strategy for the Avalanche blockchain was added.

The strategy invests in a fork of Compound using the WAVAX token instead of WETH. Because of this, the strategy inherits from the `CompoundStrategy`. The DEX platforms used for investments are Benq and TraderJoe. TraderJoe adds a `RewardDistributor` contract. This contract accumulates rewards from the platform that must be claimed through it. Then, the reward distributor contract pays the strategy the awarded value.

Coinspect found one issue in this strategy related to the lack of utilization of an oracle for price references when swapping tokens. This could lead to issues where the awarded amount in the collateral token is lower than it should be. See VSP-46.

Curve and Convex strategies

The Curve and Convex strategies were modified to support different Compound forks. This required a simple refactor and the creation of the `ConvexStrategy` contract.

New strategies were added: `ConvexD3PoolStrategy` (based on the new `ConvexStrategy` contract), `Convex4MetaPoolStrategyIBBTCPool`, `Convex4MetaPoolStrategyFRAXPool` and `Convex4PoolStrategyMUSDPool`.

Other changes

Besides the aforementioned changes, there are other modifications spread over the code base that were also reviewed:

- Supporting no `growPool` in Earn strategies
- Governor can call `onlyKeeper` methods

- Strategies catch failed oracle calls reverts
- `Comptroller` is set at deploy time and can be null. However, the rest of the existing code is not prepared to handle a zero value in the `comptroller`, requiring an adaptation of the code or forbidding this value. See VSP-47.
- Curve strategies can update `rewardTokens` when the underlying Curve contract does so. This created a simple border case where updating the `rewardTokens` in some cases can lead to loss of funds. See VSP-49.

3. Summary of Findings

Id	Title	Total Risk	Fixed
VSP-46	Loss of funds through low priced swaps	Medium	✗
VSP-47	_getRewardAccrued reverts when COMPTROLLER is uninitialized	Medium	✗
VSP-48	Overestimated rewards	Low	✓
VSP-49	Updating rewardTokens could miss unclaimed rewards	Low	✓

4. Detailed Findings

VSP-46

Loss of funds through low priced swaps

Total Risk
Medium

Impact
Medium

Location
CompoundMultiRewardAvalancheStrategy.sol

Fixed
X

Likelihood
Medium

Description

The strategy could be forced into unprofitable token swaps.

When claiming the rewardToken in the CompoundMultiRewardAvalancheStrategy strategy, the code uses no price reference for swapping tokens. The `_claimRewardsAndConvertTo` function of the CompoundMultiRewardAvalancheStrategy does not use any price reference for swapping the reward token. Instead, the minimum expected amount of output tokens is set to 1, bypassing this protection mechanism.

```
61 function _claimRewardsAndConvertTo(address _toToken) internal virtual override {
62     ComptrollerMultiReward(address(COMPTROLLER)).claimReward(0, address(this)); /
Claim protocol rewards
63     ComptrollerMultiReward(address(COMPTROLLER)).claimReward(1, address(this)); /
Claim native AVAX (optional)
64
65     uint256 _rewardAmount = IERC20(rewardToken).balanceOf(address(this));
66     if (_rewardAmount != 0) {
67         _safeSwap(rewardToken, _toToken, _rewardAmount, 1);
68     }
69     uint256 _avaxRewardAmount = address(this).balance;
70     if (_avaxRewardAmount != 0) {
71         TokenLike(WAVAX).deposit{value: _avaxRewardAmount}();
72         if (_toToken != WAVAX) {
73             _safeSwap(WAVAX, _toToken, _avaxRewardAmount, 1);
74         }
75     }
76 }
```

Accepting an arbitrary price for a token exchange can result in undesired loss of funds.

Recommendation

Use a price oracle to calculate the minimum expected amount for the last `_safeSwap` parameter.

Status

April 20, 2022: After testing, the Vesper team concluded that saving gas was more impactful than accounting for slippage as earnings between rebalances are low values.

VSP-47**_getRewardAccrued reverts when COMPTROLLER is uninitialized**

Total Risk	Impact	Location
Medium	Medium	CompoundStrategy.sol
Fixed	Likelihood	
X	Medium	

Description

An unhandled call to a possible `address(0)` occurs in the internal `_getRewardAccrued` function of the `CompoundStrategy` which is called from the `totalValue` function.

```
89 function _getRewardAccrued() internal view virtual returns (uint256 _rewardAccrue
90     _rewardAccrued = COMPTROLLER.compAccrued(address(this));
91 }
```

The `COMPTROLLER` variable may be zero as stated in the constructor:

```
// Either can be address(0), for example in Rari Strategy
COMPTROLLER = Comptroller(_comptroller);
rewardToken = _rewardToken;
```

This can cause unexpected reverts when calling the `_getRewardAccrued` function.

A similar issue appears in the `_claimRewards` function.

Recommendation

The `CompoundStrategy` should handle the case where the `COMPTROLLER` variable is zero or forbid such a value.

Status

April 20, 2022: The Vesper team considers that the comptroller will never be 0. Accepting `address(0)` at construction time allows for fetching the value dynamically.

VSP-48

Overestimated rewards

Total Risk	Impact	Location
Low	Low	Convex2PoolStrategy.sol
Fixed	Likelihood	
✓	Low	

Descriptions

In Convex strategies the rewards could be overestimated.

This happens due to the view nature of the `claimableRewardsInCollateral` function as it is used.

```
77 function claimableRewardsInCollateral() public view virtual override returns (uint256 rewardAsCollateral) {
78     ClaimableRewardInfo[] memory _claimableRewardsInfo = _claimableRewards();
79     for (uint256 i = 0; i < _claimableRewardsInfo.length; i++) {
80         if (_claimableRewardsInfo[i].amount != 0) {
81             (, uint256 _reward, ) =
82                 swapManager.bestOutputFixedInput(
83                     _claimableRewardsInfo[i].token,
84                     address(collateralToken),
85                     _claimableRewardsInfo[i].amount
86                 );
87             rewardAsCollateral += _reward;
88         }
89     }
90 }
```

This function estimates the rewards in a for loop that does not take into account the effects of actually swapping the same tokens. When swapping the values in a similar loop, the initial swaps may affect the value of the collateral token, actually reducing the amount received.

This function is currently unused by the smart contracts, but an external process or a future smart contract may rely on it with unexpected consequences.

Recommendation

Document this behavior to avoid future errors. Consider renaming the function to `estimateClaimableRewardsInCollateral`, for example.

Status

April 20, 2022: The function has been renamed in commit 58393e12acc9c69aeddafa6201c0357b81c1b563.

VSP-49**Updating rewardTokens could miss unclaimed rewards**

Total Risk
Low

Impact
Low

Location
ConvexStrategy.sol, Convex4PoolStrategy.sol,
Convex4MetaPoolStrategy.sol, Convex2PoolStrategy.sol

Fixed
✓

Likelihood
Low

Description

The `setRewardTokens` function in Convex strategies could miss unclaimed rewards if tokens are removed.

An example case:

```
28 function setRewardTokens(  
29     address[] memory /*_rewardTokens*/  
30 ) external override onlyKeeper {  
31     rewardTokens = _getRewardTokens();  
32     _approveToken(0);  
33     _approveToken(MAX_UINT_VALUE);  
34     _setupOracles();  
35 }
```

The new token list can have either more or less tokens than the original.

In any case, old tokens are still approved and could hold some value.

Recommendation

Make a `call_approveToken(0)` before calling `_getRewardTokens` and create a mechanism that claims unclaimed values if it is necessary (this can be guaranteed by the keepers through off-chain software).

Status

April 20, 2022: Rewards are claimed before updating the `rewardTokens`. The fix was added in commit `b4d0ef85c32e140035b998575eb23184f1a15041`.

5. Disclaimer

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