

Security Audit Report for Multichain Smart Contracts

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Report Manifest

Item	Description
Client	Multichain
Target	Multichain Smart Contracts

Version History

Version	Date	Description
1.0	August 12, 2022	First Release

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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 target of this audit is the Multichain Smart Contracts for EVM-compatible chains ¹. The audit scope is limited to contracts under the following two folders: contracts/access and contracts/router. Besides, it is worth noting that Multichain Smart Contracts relies a decentralized network named *MPC* to forward messages among different blockchains. As confirmed by Multichain, MPC is trustworthy and out of the scope of this audit.

The auditing process is iterative. Specifically, we audit the initial version and following commits that fix the discovered issues. If there are new issues, we will continue this process. The commit hash 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
	Version 1	292dba33244de2204c693b32da786d3793b06bc4
Multichain Smart Contracts	Version 2	6f9630d768a55a606572517be3982aabd395eec2
	Version 3	908ea136c87b1f2df4300911a703ad89ca8a087b

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.

¹https://github.com/anyswap/multichain-smart-contracts



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
- * Access control
- * 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 find **three** potential issues. We have **two** recommendations.

High Risk: 0Medium Risk: 3Low Risk: 0

- Recommendations: 2

- Notes: 1

ID	Severity	Description	Category	Status
1	Medium	Potential reentrancy in balance calculation	Software Security	Fixed
2	Medium	Incorrect logic in the retrySwapinAndExec function	Software Security	Fixed
3	Medium	External controllable retry in the retrySwapinAndExec function	DeFi Security	Fixed
4	-	Check the wrapped native token address	Recommendation	Acknowledged
5	-	Check the calldata length when swapping out with payloads	Recommendation	Fixed
6	-	Incorrect receiver in the execution logic	Notes	Confirmed

The details are provided in the following sections.

2.1 Software Security

2.1.1 Potential reentrancy in balance calculation

Severity Medium

Status Fixed in Version 2

Introduced by Version 1

Description In the MultichainV7Router contract, there exist functions which are used to swap out the underlying tokens. Theses functions are refactored to support fee-on-transfer (FoT) tokens, which introduces potential reentrancy problem. The _anySwapOutUnderlying() function is subject to the reentrancy problem if the underlying token is ERC-777 compliant ¹. Specifically, this function is invoked by the anySwapOutUnderlying function (and the anySwapOutUnderlyingAndCall function as well) which does NOT adopt any security mechanism (e.g., reentrancy guard) to mitigate the problem.

A possible exploit is as follows:

- 1. The attacker calls the anySwapOutUnderlying function with an ERC-777 compilant underlying token and amount A.
- 2. The anySwapOutUnderlying function invokes the transferFrom function of the ERC-777 token, which calls back to the implementer indicated by the msg.sender. Note that the implementer can also be specified as the msg.sender itself.

¹The ERC-777 standard requires specifying *implementers* for sending and receiving tokens to perform the *tokensToSend* hook and the *tokensReceived* hook, respectively.



- 3. The attacker re-enters the anySwapOutUnderlying function with the same token and another amount *B*. Note that the first transfer is not finished at this moment, so the old_balance variable has not been updated accordingly.
- 4. Because of the reentrancy and the update of the old_balance variable afterwards, the contract records the deposit amount as A + 2B, while the attacker only deposits A + B.

```
211
       function anySwapOutUnderlying(
212
           address token,
213
           string memory to,
214
          uint256 amount,
215
          uint256 toChainID
216
       ) external {
217
          uint256 recvAmount = _anySwapOutUnderlying(token, amount);
218
           emit LogAnySwapOut(
219
              token,
220
              msg.sender,
221
              to.
222
              recvAmount,
223
              block.chainid,
224
              toChainID
225
           );
226
       }
```

Listing 2.1: MultichainV7Router.sol

```
197
       function _anySwapOutUnderlying(address token, uint256 amount)
198
          internal
199
          whenNotPaused(Swapout_Paused_ROLE)
200
          returns (uint256)
201
       {
202
          address _underlying = IUnderlying(token).underlying();
203
          require(_underlying != address(0), "MultichainRouter: zero underlying");
204
          uint256 old_balance = IERC20(_underlying).balanceOf(token);
205
          IERC20(_underlying).safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, token, amount);
206
          uint256 new_balance = IERC20(_underlying).balanceOf(token);
207
          return new_balance > old_balance ? new_balance - old_balance : 0;
208
       }
```

Listing 2.2: MultichainV7Router.sol

Impact The cross-chain swap amount can be manipulated by launching the reentrancy attack if ERC-777 tokens are supported.

Suggestion Add reentrancy guards to prevent the reentrancy problem.

2.1.2 Incorrect logic in the retrySwapinAndExec function

```
Severity Medium

Status Fixed in Version 3

Introduced by Version 2
```

Description To fix issue 2.2.1, the project introduced a function named retrySwapinAndExec in the SushiSwapProxy contract (and the CurveAaveProxy contract as well). This function requires the msg.sender



must be the receiver decoded from the data. Then the function will invoke the router's retrySwapinAndExec function to prevent the reentrancy problem. However, there are some incorrect logic in the newly implemented functions.

- At line 371 of the retrySwapinAndExec function, the dontExec implies that the user would prefer not to perform the execution while retrying. In this case, the router would simply withdraw the tokens to the receiver. However, the if(!dontExec) statement uses the variable in the opposite way.
- At line 373 of the retrySwapinAndExec function, the transferred token is the MultichainV7ERC20 token. However, if the execution is not performed, the retrySwapinAndExec function in the MultichainV7Router contract will withdraw the underlying token of the MultichainV7ERC20 token to the proxy contract. In other words, the use of token here should also be IUnderlying(token).underlying().

```
349
       function retrySwapinAndExec(
350
           address router,
351
           string memory swapID,
352
           address token,
353
           address receiver,
354
           uint256 amount,
355
           uint256 fromChainID,
356
           bytes calldata data,
           bool dontExec
357
358
       ) external {
359
           AnycallInfo memory info = decode_anycall_info(data);
360
           require(msg.sender == info.receiver, "forbid call retry");
361
           IRetrySwapinAndExec(router).retrySwapinAndExec(
362
              swapID,
363
              token,
364
              receiver,
365
              amount,
366
              fromChainID,
367
              address(this),
368
              data.
              dontExec
369
370
           );
371
           if (!dontExec) {
372
              // process don't exec situation (eg. return token)
373
              IERC20(token).safeTransfer(info.receiver, amount);
374
           }
375
       }
```

Listing 2.3: SushiSwapProxy.sol (Version2)

```
501
       function retrySwapinAndExec(
502
           string memory swapID,
503
           address token,
504
           address receiver,
505
           uint256 amount,
506
           uint256 fromChainID,
507
           address anycallProxy,
508
           bytes calldata data,
509
           bool dontExec
510
       ) external nonReentrant {
511
           require(msg.sender == receiver, "forbid retry swap");
```



```
512
          require(completedSwapin[swapID], "swap not completed");
513
          bytes32 retryHash = keccak256(abi.encode(swapID, token, receiver, amount, fromChainID,
               anycallProxy, data));
514
          require(retryRecords[retryHash], "retry record not exist");
515
          retryRecords[retryHash] = false;
516
517
          if (dontExec) {
518
              address _underlying = IUnderlying(token).underlying();
              require(_underlying != address(0), "MultichainRouter: zero underlying");
519
520
              require(IERC20(_underlying).balanceOf(token) >= amount, "MultichainRouter: retry failed
                  ");
521
              assert(IRouter(token).mint(address(this), amount));
522
              IUnderlying(token).withdraw(amount, receiver);
523
          } else {
524
              _anySwapInUnderlyingAndExec(swapID, token, receiver, amount, fromChainID, anycallProxy,
                   data, true);
525
          }
526
       }
```

Listing 2.4: MultichainV7Router.sol (Version2)

Impact Incorrect logic will make the retrying process not function as expected.

Suggestion Revise the code accordingly.

2.2 DeFi Security

2.2.1 External controllable retry in the retrySwapinAndExec function

```
Severity Medium

Status Fixed in Version 2

Introduced by Version 1
```

Description In the MultichainV7Router contract, there is a retrying logic so that if the invocation of the _anySwapInUnderlyingAndExec function failed (e.g., due to insufficient funds in the vaults), the user can retry the same request by calling the retrySwapinAndExec function. However, the implementation of the retrySwapinAndExec function does not have any access control. As a result, anyone knowing the swap content and the swap ID can successfully invoke this function. Normally this would not cause any problem because the swap ID is the hash of the swap content, so it is impossible to forge a non-existent swap.

However, a malicious user can control when the retrySwapinAndExec function is called. For example, the execution payload is specified to swap a large amount in a SushiSwap pair. The malicious user can then sandwich this call and make a profit from this large swap by controlling the time to invoke retrySwapinAndExec function. The auditors consider this kind of sandwich attacks as real threats because it could be launched in a single transaction and causes the loss of the users. Note that this is only one case of exploiting the controllable retry timing which may also lead to other problems as the call targets are extensible.

```
491 function retrySwapinAndExec(
492 string memory swapID,
493 address token,
```



```
494
          address receiver,
495
          uint256 amount,
496
          uint256 fromChainID,
497
          address anycallProxy,
498
          bytes calldata data
499
       ) external {
500
          require(completedSwapin[swapID], "swap not completed");
501
          bytes32 retryHash = keccak256(abi.encode(swapID, token, receiver, amount, fromChainID,
               anycallProxy, data));
502
          require(retryRecords[retryHash], "retry record not exist");
          retryRecords[retryHash] = false;
503
504
505
          _anySwapInUnderlyingAndExec(swapID, token, receiver, amount, fromChainID, anycallProxy,
               data, true);
506
       }
```

Listing 2.5: MultichainV7Router.sol

```
420
       function _anySwapInUnderlyingAndExec(
421
          string memory swapID,
422
          address token,
423
          address receiver,
424
          uint256 amount.
425
          uint256 fromChainID,
426
          address anycallProxy,
427
          bytes calldata data,
428
          bool isRetry
429
       ) internal whenNotPaused(Swapin_Paused_ROLE) whenNotPaused(Exec_Paused_ROLE) nonReentrant {
430
          require(anycallProxyInfo[anycallProxy].supported, "unsupported ancall proxy");
431
          completedSwapin[swapID] = true;
432
433
          address receiveToken:
```

Listing 2.6: MultichainV7Router.sol

Impact External controllable retry may result in potential risk-free price manipulation attacks.

Suggestion Revise the code accordingly.

Feedback from the Project The severity is not high for there exists the slippoint protection in data and the probablity of retry is not high.

2.3 Additional Recommendation

2.3.1 Check the wrapped native token address

Status Acknowledged

```
Introduced by Version 1
```

Description The constructor of the MultichainV7Router contract checks if the executor address is zero. However, it does not check the wNATIVE address (the address for the wrapped native token). There are two reasons to check the wNATIVE address:



- 1. wnative is an immutable state variable, which cannot be modified after the Initialization.
- 2. wnative will be checked against the zero address for every use. Such checks could be merged into one check in the constructor.

```
124
      constructor(
125
          address _admin,
126
          address _mpc,
127
          address _wNATIVE,
128
          address _anycallExecutor
129
      ) MPCManageable(_mpc) PausableControlWithAdmin(_admin) {
130
          require(_anycallExecutor != address(0), "zero anycall executor");
131
          anycallExecutor = _anycallExecutor;
          wNATIVE = _wNATIVE;
132
133
      }
```

Listing 2.7: MultichainV7Router.sol

```
250
       function _anySwapOutNative(address token)
251
          internal
252
          whenNotPaused(Swapout_Paused_ROLE)
253
          returns (uint256)
254
       {
255
          require(wNATIVE != address(0), "MultichainRouter: zero wNATIVE");
256
          require(
257
              IUnderlying(token).underlying() == wNATIVE,
258
              "MultichainRouter: underlying is not wNATIVE"
259
260
          uint256 old_balance = IERC20(wNATIVE).balanceOf(token);
261
          IwNATIVE(wNATIVE).deposit{value: msg.value}();
262
          IERC20(wNATIVE).safeTransfer(token, msg.value);
263
          uint256 new_balance = IERC20(wNATIVE).balanceOf(token);
264
          return new_balance > old_balance ? new_balance - old_balance : 0;
265
       }
```

Listing 2.8: MultichainV7Router.sol

Impact N/A

Suggestion Implement the proper checks in the constructor.

Feedback from the Project RouterV7 is a general contract, which may has many instances with different _wNATIVE setting, I mean we allow it being zero address.

2.3.2 Check the calldata length when swapping out with payloads

Status Fixed in Version2 Introduced by Version 1

Description In the MultichainV7Router contract, there is a new mechanism that allows additional execution payloads to be specified along with swapping in and out. In the functions that implement swapping out with payloads (e.g., the anySwapOutAndCall function), there does not exist any check on the length of the calldata (i.e., the execution payload). For the current implementation, all invocations are executed



through a whitelisted AnyCallExecutor interface, which means an empty calldata would have no reasonable meaning.

```
176
       function anySwapOutAndCall(
177
           address token,
178
           string memory to,
179
           uint256 amount,
180
           uint256 toChainID,
181
           string memory anycallProxy,
182
           bytes calldata data
       ) external whenNotPaused(Swapout_Paused_ROLE) whenNotPaused(Call_Paused_ROLE) {
183
184
           assert(IRouter(token).burn(msg.sender, amount));
185
           emit LogAnySwapOutAndCall(
186
              token,
187
              msg.sender,
188
              to,
189
              amount,
190
              block.chainid,
191
              toChainID,
192
              anycallProxy,
193
              data
194
           );
195
       }
```

Listing 2.9: MultichainV7Router.sol

Impact N/A

Suggestion Add sanity checks accordingly.

2.4 Note

2.4.1 Incorrect receiver in the execution logic

Status Confirmed

Introduced by Version 1

Description In the MultichainV7Router contract, the anySwapInAndExec function is implemented to allow users to make specified calls after cross-chain swapping in via the anycallExecutor contract. The receiver parameter passed to the anySwapInAndExec function can be any address, and it is used as the receiver to invoke the IRouter(token).mint function. The mint function allows the receiver to withdraw the underlying tokens from the token contract. Since the anycallProxy is the actual caller of the subsequent calls such as swapping tokens in SushiSwap, if the receiver address is not valid, the anycallProxy will not receive enough tokens to perform the further operations.

```
386 function anySwapInAndExec(
387 string memory swapID,
388 address token,
389 address receiver,
390 uint256 amount,
391 uint256 fromChainID,
392 address anycallProxy,
```



```
393
                                                   bytes calldata data
394
                                 ) \  \  \, \underline{\text{external}} \  \, \underline{\text{whenNotPaused(Swapin\_Paused\_ROLE)}} \  \, \underline{\text{whenNotPaused(Exec\_Paused\_ROLE)}} \  \, \underline{\text{checkCompletion(Exec\_Paused\_ROLE)}} \  \, \underline{\text{checkCompletion(Exec\_Paused\_ROLE
                                                      swapID) nonReentrant onlyMPC {
395
                                                   require(anycallProxyInfo[anycallProxy].supported, "unsupported ancall proxy");
396
                                                   completedSwapin[swapID] = true;
397
398
                                                   assert(IRouter(token).mint(receiver, amount));
399
400
                                                   bool success;
401
                                                   bytes memory result;
402
                                                   try IAnycallExecutor(anycallExecutor).execute(anycallProxy, token, amount, data)
403
                                                   returns (bool succ, bytes memory res) {
404
                                                                     (success, result) = (succ, res);
405
                                                   } catch {
406
407
408
                                                   emit LogAnySwapInAndExec(
409
                                                                    swapID,
410
                                                                    token,
411
                                                                    receiver,
412
                                                                    amount,
413
                                                                    fromChainID,
414
                                                                    block.chainid,
415
                                                                    success,
416
                                                                    result
417
                                                   );
418
                                }
```

Listing 2.10: MultichainV7Router.sol

Impact N/A

Suggestion Revise the code.

Feedback from the Project we'll give warning in docs, and this setting depends on partner, who is responsible for the correctness of parameters.