

Security Audit Report for Mobius Contracts

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Report Manifest

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Target	Mobius Contracts

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Chapter 1 Introduction

1.1 About Target Contracts

The target contract is Mobius Contracts. The detailed description is in the following link: Mobius Finance.

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

The files that are audited in this report include the following ones.

Repo Name	Github URL
mobius-contracts	

The commit hash before the audit is 8e25ab8e8d352ef759b70ed97e29daa96ee2ee08. The commit hash that fixes the issues found in this audit is 28046a854201ebc128fa861d268705f147d52622.

1.2 Disclaimer

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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.

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

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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 ¹ and Common Weakness Enumeration ². Accordingly, the severity measured in this report are classified into four categories: **High**, **Medium**, **Low** and **Undetermined**.

¹https://owasp.org/www-community/OWASP_Risk_Rating_Methodology

²https://cwe.mitre.org/

Chapter 2 Findings

In total, we find seven potential issues, four recommendations and one concern in Mobius Contracts, as follows:

Medium Risk: 1Low Risk: 2

Undetermined Risk: 4Recommendation: 4Other Concern: 1

ID	Severity	Description	Category
1	Medium	Potential Dos Vulnerability	Software Security
2	Low	Lack of Status Check	Software Security
3	Low	Potential Out-of-gas Problem	Software Security
4	Undetermined	Functionality Inconsistency in Issuer	DeFi Security
5	Undetermined	Unlimited Token Mint	DeFi Security
6	Undetermined	Unfair Global Debt Mechanism	DeFi Security
7	Undetermined	Unclear Trading Fee Distribution Mechanism	DeFi Security
8	-	Code Typos	Recommendation
9	-	Formula Inconsistency	Recommendation
10	-	Redundant Function	Recommendation
11	-	Do Not Use Elastic Tokens	Recommendation
12	-	Potential Front-running Due to the Price Oracle	Other Concern

The details are provided in the following sections.

2.1 Software Security

2.1.1 Potential DoS Vulnerability

Status Confirmed and fixed.

Description There exists a potential DoS Vulnerability in the liquidation process. Part of the execution sequence of liquidation is: Mobius.liquidate() -> Issuer.burnDebt() -> Issuer._burnDebtForUser() -> Issuer._canBurn(). Specifically, line 157 in Issuer._burnDebtForUser() checks lastTime (the last time Mobius._mint() is invoked). As a result, if Setting.getMinStakeTime() is not zero, a user can regularly invoke Mobius._mint() to update lastTime so that any liquidation operation will fail because of the _canBurn() check.

```
149
       function _burnDebtForUser(
150
          bytes32 stake,
151
          address account,
152
          bytes32 debtType,
153
          uint256 amount
154
          ) internal returns(uint256,uint256,uint256) {
              (uint256 accountDebtWithDynamic,uint256 accountDebt, uint256 originalDebt, uint256
155
                  lastTime) = _getDebt(stake, account, debtType);
156
```



```
157 require(_canBurn(lastTime), 'Issuer: Minimum stake time not reached');
158 ...
```

Listing 2.1: _burnDebtForUser:Issuer.sol

```
function _canBurn(uint256 time) private view returns (bool) {
   return block.timestamp >= time + (Setting().getMinStakeTime());
}
```

Listing 2.2: canBurn:Issuer.sol

Impact In brief, a malicious user could constantly refresh his lastTime to block ANY liquidation operation.Suggestion Bypass time check while liquidation.

2.1.2 Lack of Status Check

Status Confirmed and fixed.

Description The second part of return values (i.e., "status") of AssetPrice.getPriceAndStatus() is used to check whether Synth is online or not. However, the status is only checked in Trader, but not in Issuer.

```
57
      function getPriceAndStatus(bytes32 asset) public override view returns (uint256, uint256) {
58
         if (asset == USD || asset == 'USDT') return (1 ether, 0);
59
          (, uint256 price, uint256 updateTime) = getPriceFromOracle(asset);
60
         require(price > 0, contractName.concat(': Price is zero For ', asset));
61
62
         uint256 lastTime = block.timestamp - maxDelayTime;
63
         if (updateTime < lastTime) return (price, 1);</pre>
64
         return (price, 0);
65
     }
```

Listing 2.3: getPriceAndStatus:AssetPrice.sol

Impact May lead to inconsistent problem.

Suggestion Check status in Issuer as well.

2.1.3 Potential Out-of-Gas Problem

Status Acknowledged. However, as stated by the developers: "there is no better way to calculate the global debt".

Description The implementations of Issuer.getDynamicTotalDebt(), AssetPrice.getPrices() and MobiusOracle.setPrices() iterate all synth assets and calculate the global debt of the platform, which may result in out-of-gas exception while execution.



Listing 2.4: getDynamicTotalDebt:Issuer.sol

```
52  function getPrices(bytes32[] calldata assets) external override view returns (uint256[] memory
          ) {
53      (uint256[] memory prices, ) = getPricesAndStatus(assets);
54      return prices;
55  }
```

Listing 2.5: getPrices:AssetPrice.sol

Listing 2.6: setPrices:MobiusOracle.sol

Impact The transaction may be reverted due to out-of-gas.

Suggestion N/A

2.2 DeFi Security

2.2.1 Functionality Inconsistency in Issuer

Status Confirmed and fixed.

Description Both issueDebt() and issueDebtWithPreviousStake() of Issuer issue debts, the former provides the rewards (trade mining) while the latter does not, which is unreasonable.

```
74
      function issueDebt(
75
         bytes32 stake,
76
         address account,
77
         bytes32 debtType,
78
         uint256 amountInUSD,
79
         uint256 amountInSynth
80
      ) external override onlyAddress(CONTRACT_MOBIUS) {
81
82
         _issueDebt(stake, account, debtType, amountInUSD, amountInSynth);
83
84
         if (debtType != USD) {
85
             (uint256 long, uint256 short) = DynamicTradingFee().getPositionInfo(debtType);
```



```
86
             if (long > short) {
87
                 RewardTrading().tradeMining(account, requireAsset('Synth', USD), requireAsset('Synth')
                      ',debtType), amountInUSD * 5);
             } else {
88
89
                 RewardTrading().tradeMining(account, requireAsset('Synth', USD), requireAsset('Synth')
                      ',debtType), amountInUSD);
             }
90
91
          }
92
      }
```

Listing 2.7: issueDebt:Issuer.sol

Listing 2.8: issueDebtWithPreviousStake:Issuer.sol

Impact The functionalities of issueDebt() and issueDebtWithPreviousStake() are inconsistent.

Suggestion Add rewarding mechanism for issueDebtWithPreviousStake().

2.2.2 Unlimited Token Mint

Status Not an issue. This is guaranteed by the developers: "deposit() is for Polygon bridge and can only be called by Polygon childchain admin, while airdrop() is the first thing we did after TGE (actually this function is bounded by totalSupply() since our token has launched)".

Description deposit() and airdrop() are not bound by MAX_SUPPLY in MobiusToken (i.e., deposit() and airdrop() could mint arbitrary amounts of tokens).

```
function deposit(address user, bytes calldata depositData) external {
    require(msg.sender == DEPOSITOR_ROLE, "caller is not DEPOSITOR_ROLE");
    uint256 amount = abi.decode(depositData, (uint256));
    _mint(user, amount);
}
```

Listing 2.9: deposit:MobiusToken.sol

```
function airdrop(address to,uint256 amount) external onlyOwner returns (bool) {
    require(AIRDROP_LIMIT >= amount, 'can not airdrop more');

AIRDROP_LIMIT = AIRDROP_LIMIT - amount;

_mint(to, amount);

return true;

}
```

Listing 2.10: airdrop:MobiusToken.sol

Impact The totalSupply() may exceed MAX_SUPPLY.

Suggestion N/A



2.2.3 Unfair Global Debt Mechanism

Status Not an issue, this is by design.

Description The global debt mechanism requires that all users share the platform's total debt, in another word, a user may be responsible for other users' debts. If the platform total debt (platTotalDebt) exceeds users total debt (usersTotalDebt), then the newcomers have to take the excessive debt from the beginning. Such a mechanism seems to be unfair.

For example: The platform has only a single user A, A trades 100 moUSD for 1 moTSLA. Afterwards, the price of TSLA rises to 150. The platform total debt is now 150 USD but the accounting debt from the user is only 100 moUSD. If another B wants to enter the market, he must take an extra debt proportional to platTotalDebt - usersTotalDebt.

```
199
       function _getDebt(
200
          bytes32 stake,
201
          address account,
202
          bytes32 debtType
203
       ) private view returns (uint256, uint256, uint256, uint256) {
204
          //we should calc dynamic debt here.
205
          (uint256 debt, uint256 originalDebt, uint256 time) = Storage().getDebt(stake, account,
               debtType);
206
          if (debt == 0) {
207
              return (0,0,0,0);
208
          }
209
          (uint256 platTotalDebt ,uint256 usersTotalDebt ,uint256 usersTotalDebtOriginal) =
               getDynamicTotalDebt();
210
          uint256 dynamicDebtsTotal;
211
          uint256 synthPrice = AssetPrice().getPrice(debtType);
212
          if (platTotalDebt >= usersTotalDebt) {
213
              dynamicDebtsTotal = platTotalDebt - usersTotalDebt;
214
              return (debt + (dynamicDebtsTotal.decimalDivide(synthPrice)) * originalDebt /
                  usersTotalDebtOriginal, debt, originalDebt, time);
215
          }
216
          dynamicDebtsTotal = usersTotalDebt - platTotalDebt;
217
          return (debt - (dynamicDebtsTotal.decimalDivide(synthPrice)) * originalDebt /
               usersTotalDebtOriginal, debt, originalDebt, time);
218
       }
```

Listing 2.11: getDebt:Issuer.sol

Impact Users may undertake more debt than he's origin.

Suggestion N/A

2.2.4 Unclear Trading Fee Distribution Mechanism

Status Not an issue. As stated by the developers, "We are discussing with DAO about this part of logic. For now, we just store these fees in TRADING_FEE_ADDRESS".

Description The mechanism of distribution of trading fee which is collected in Issuer and Trader is unclear. Current implementation only transfers trading fee to TRADING_FEE_ADDRESS, and no further distribution logic (e.g. distributing fee to liquidity providers, users, governance, etc.) is provided.



Impact N/A

Suggestion N/A

2.3 Additional Recommendation

2.3.1 Code Typos

Status Acknowledged and partially fixed.

Description There are some typos in code:

- line 120 in Trader (toSynthPrice => toSynthPirce).
- line 179 in RewardTrading (Withdraw => Wthdraw).

```
119 ...
120 uint256 toSynthPirce,
121 ...
```

Listing 2.12: Trader.sol

```
178 ...
179 function Wthdraw(uint256 _pid) external override nonReentrant{
180 ...
```

Listing 2.13: RewardTrading.sol

Impact N/A

Suggestion Revise the typos.

2.3.2 Formula Inconsistency

Status Confirmed.

Description The formulas for calculating trading fee are different in code implementation, code comments and docs:

• In code implementation:

$$x = N + min\left(M \times K \times (1 + K_1 - K), M\right)$$

• In code comments and docs:

$$x = (N + M \times K) \times (1 + K_1 - K)$$

```
45
     // assume that long position is a, short position is b, moUSD position is c,
      // then net long position percentage K is |a-b|/(a+b+c), fee rate x = N + M * K (N is basic
46
          fee rate, M is max fee rate offset)
      // considering that newDebt position(h) affects fee rate then k1 = (|a-b|+h) / (a+b+c), x=(N + b)
47
           M * K)*(1+K1-K)
48
     // we split the function to prevent deep stack.
49
      function getDynamicTradingFeeRate(bytes32 synth, uint256 amountInUSD, bool isShort) external
          override view returns (uint256) {
50
         uint256 N = Setting().getTradingFeeRate(synth);
51
         if (!dynamicFee) {
52
             return N;
```



Listing 2.14: getDynamicTradingFeeRate:DynamicTradingFee.sol

After confirmation, the formula in code implementation is correct, while "the formula in the white paper is flawed".

Impact N/A

Suggestion Revise code comments & docs.

2.3.3 Redundant Function

Status Confirmed and fixed.

Description RewardCollateralStorage and RewardTradingStorage both implement setTotalAllocPoint(), which could only be invoked by their managers (RewardCollateral and RewardTrading, respectively). However, Neither RewardCollateral nor RewardTrading uses setTotalAllocPoint(). In another word, setTotalAllocPoint() will **NEVER** be invoked.

Listing 2.15: setTotalAllocPoint

Impact Redundant function could waste gas when deploying contracts.

Suggestion Delete setTotalAllocPoint().

2.3.4 Do Not Use Elastic Supply Tokens

Status Not an issue. The developers guarantee that the rebase model will not be used.

Description & Suggestion Elastic supply tokens could dynamically adjust their price, supply, user's balance, etc. Such as inflationary token, deflationary token, rebasing token, and so forth. Such a mechanism makes a DeFi system over complex. For example, a DEX using deflationary token must double check the token transfer amount when taking swap action because of the difference of actual transfer amount and parameter. The abuse of elastic supply tokens will make the DeFi system vulnerable. In reality, many security accidents are caused by the elastic supply tokens. In terms of confidentiality, integrity and availability, we highly recommend that do not use elastic supply tokens.

Impact N/A

Suggestion N/A



2.4 Other Concern

We list some of our concerns from the security perspective of the whole ecosystem, which deserve a further investigation for better mitigations.

2.4.1 Potential Front-running Due to the Price Oracle

Generally, the design and implementation of the price oracle may be abused to launch front-running. For example, the attacker could monitor the pending transactions about ChainLink, and insert an order-making transaction before price update transactions. As a MEV issue that affects the entire blockchain protocol markets, users may seek some advanced solutions to mitigate it.

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Chapter 3 Conclusion

In this audit, we have analyzed the business logic, the design, and the implementation of the Mobius Contracts. Indeed, we are impressed by the design of Mobius Contracts that tries to provide flash minting services with a decentralized solution. Overall, the current code base is well structured and implemented.

Meanwhile, as previously disclaimed, this report does not give any warranties on discovering all security issues of the smart contracts. We appreciate any constructive feedback or suggestions.