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Report for Ref Contract and Ref Dcl

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Chapter 1 Introduction

1.1 About Target Contracts

Information	Description
Type	Smart Contract
Language	Rust
Approach	Semi-automatic and manual verification

The target of this audit is the code repository of Ref Contract [1] and Ref Dcl [2] of Ref Finance. Note that, we did **NOT** audit all the modules in the repository. The modules covered by this audit report include `ref-contracts/ref-contracts/ref-exchange/src` folder and `ref-dcl/contracts/dcl/src` contract only. Specifically, the files covered in this audit include:

```
ref-dcl/contracts/dcl/src/api/dcl_api.rs
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ref-contracts/ref-exchange/src/simple_pool.rs
ref-contracts/ref-exchange/src/token_receiver.rs
ref-contracts/ref-exchange/src/views.rs
```

Listing 1.1: Audit Scope for this Report

The auditing process is iterative. Specifically, we would audit the commits that fix the discovered issues. If there are new issues, we will continue this process. The commit SHA 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.

[1] https://github.com/ref-finance/ref-contracts/tree/degen-pool

[2] https://github.com/ref-finance/ref-dcl/tree/open_create_pool

Project	Version	Commit Hash
Ref Contract	Version 1	37150859766902dc123db58066cc64305f259e42
	Version 2	5090a7ad4ec7d333f7c6d1bb0b7ccf3e929098a9
Ref Dcl	Version 1	ac89456c21b825b92bbadc9ba18f82663f240f70
	Version 2	47267c695f8144b8cc0a9ed7dd7624b7d34cd56b

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.

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
* Permission management
* 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

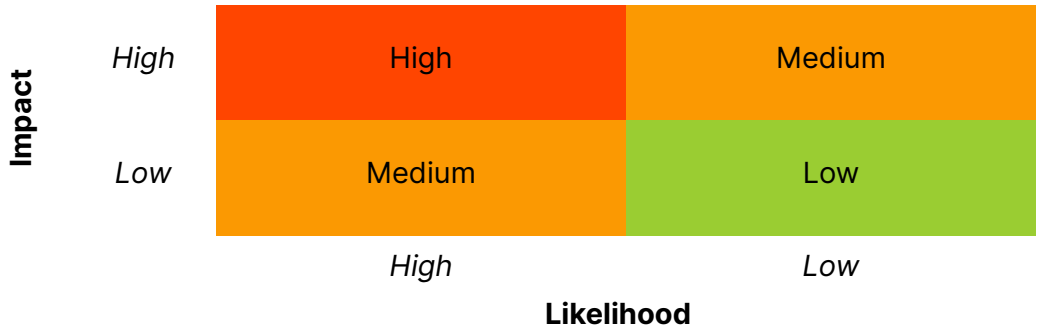
To evaluate the risk, we follow the standards or suggestions that are widely adopted by both industry and academy, including OWASP Risk Rating Methodology [3] and Common Weakness Enumeration [4]. The overall *severity* of the risk is determined by *likelihood* and *impact*. Specifically, likelihood is 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.

[3] https://owasp.org/www-community/OWASP_Risk_Rating_Methodology

[4] https://cwe.mitre.org/

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.

Chapter 2 Findings

In total, we found **two** potential security issues. Besides, we have **two** recommendations.

- High Risk: 2
- Recommendation: 2

ID	Severity	Description	Category	Status
1	High	Inaccurate output amount calculation in function `internal_swap_by_output()`	DeFi Security	Fixed
2	High	Lack of state update in function `internal_quote_by_output()`	DeFi Security	Fixed
3	-	Redundant check in function `swap()`	Recommendation	Fixed
4	-	Duplicated price requests	Recommendation	Fixed

The details are provided in the following sections.

2.1 DeFi Security

2.1.1 Inaccurate output amount calculation in function `internal_swap_by_output()`

Severity High

Status Fixed at `Version 2`

Introduced by `Version 1`

Description In the function `internal_swap_by_output()`, the `actual_output_amount` variable, which is calculated and updated during the swap process, is used to determine the amount of output tokens sent to the user. However, this variable does not accurately represent the actual output token amount during the swap.

```
238   pub fn internal_swap_by_output(
239       &mut self,
240       account_id: &AccountId,
241       pool_ids: Vec<PoolId>,
242       input_token: &AccountId,
243       max_input_amount: Balance,
244       output_token: &AccountId,
245       output_amount: Balance,
246       skip_unwrap_near: Option<bool>,
247       client_echo: Option<String>,
248   ) -> Balance {
249       pool_ids.iter().for_each(|pool_id| {
250           self.assert_pool_running(&self.internal_unwrap_pool(pool_id));
251           let (token_x, token_y, _) = pool_id.parse_pool_id();
252           self.assert_no_frozen_tokens(&[token_x, token_y]);
253       });
254
255       let protocol_fee_rate = self.data().protocol_fee_rate;
256       let vip_info = self.data().vip_users.get(account_id);
257       let (actual_input_token, actual_input_amount, actual_output_amount) = {
```

```
258         let mut next_desire_token = output_token.clone();
259         let mut next_desire_amount = output_amount;
260         let mut actual_output_amount = output_amount;
261         for pool_id in pool_ids.iter() {
262             let mut pool = self.internal_unwrap_pool(&pool_id);
263
264             let pool_fee = pool.get_pool_fee_by_user(&vip_info);
265
266             if next_desire_token.eq(&pool.token_x) {
267                 let (need_amount, acquire_amount, is_finished, total_fee, protocol_fee) = pool.
                        internal_y_swap_x_desire_x(pool_fee, protocol_fee_rate, next_desire_amount,
                        800001, false);
268                 if !is_finished {
269                     env::panic_str(&format!("ERR_TOKEN_{}_NOT_ENOUGH", pool.token_x.to_string().
                            to_uppercase()));
270                 }
271
272                 pool.total_y += need_amount;
273                 pool.total_x -= acquire_amount;
274                 pool.volume_y_in += U256::from(need_amount);
275                 pool.volume_x_out += U256::from(acquire_amount);
276
277                 actual_output_amount = acquire_amount;
278                 next_desire_token = pool.token_y.clone();
279                 next_desire_amount = need_amount;
280
281                 Event::SwapDesire {
282                     swapper: account_id,
283                     token_in: &pool.token_y,
284                     token_out: &pool.token_x,
285                     amount_in: &U128(need_amount),
286                     amount_out: &U128(acquire_amount),
287                     pool_id: &pool.pool_id,
288                     total_fee: &U128(total_fee),
289                     protocol_fee: &U128(protocol_fee),
290                 }
291                 .emit();
292             } else if next_desire_token.eq(&pool.token_y) {
293                 let (need_amount, acquire_amount, is_finished, total_fee, protocol_fee) = pool.
                        internal_x_swap_y_desire_y(pool_fee, protocol_fee_rate, next_desire_amount,
                        -800001, false);
294                 if !is_finished {
295                     env::panic_str(&format!("ERR_TOKEN_{}_NOT_ENOUGH", pool.token_y.to_string().
                            to_uppercase()));
296                 }
297
298                 pool.total_x += need_amount;
299                 pool.total_y -= acquire_amount;
300                 pool.volume_x_in += U256::from(need_amount);
301                 pool.volume_y_out += U256::from(acquire_amount);
302
303                 actual_output_amount = acquire_amount;
304                 next_desire_token = pool.token_x.clone();
```

```
305                 next_desire_amount = need_amount;
306
307                 Event::SwapDesire {
308                     swapper: account_id,
309                     token_in: &pool.token_x,
310                     token_out: &pool.token_y,
311                     amount_in: &U128(need_amount),
312                     amount_out: &U128(acquire_amount),
313                     pool_id: &pool.pool_id,
314                     total_fee: &U128(total_fee),
315                     protocol_fee: &U128(protocol_fee),
316                 }
317                 .emit();
318             } else {
319                 env::panic_str(E404_INVALID_POOL_IDS);
320             }
321             self.internal_set_pool(&pool_id, pool);
322         }
323         (next_desire_token, next_desire_amount, actual_output_amount)
324     };
325     require!(input_token == &actual_input_token, E213_INVALID_INPUT_TOKEN);
326     require!(actual_input_amount <= max_input_amount, E204_SLIPPAGE_ERR);
327
328     if actual_output_amount > 0 {
329         if let Some(msg) = client_echo {
330             self.process_ft_transfer_call(account_id, &output_token, actual_output_amount, msg)
                    ;
331         } else {
332             self.process_transfer(account_id, &output_token, actual_output_amount,
                    skip_unwrap_near);
333         }
334     }
335
336     actual_input_amount
337 }
```

Listing 2.1: ref-dcl/contracts/dcl/src/dcl/swap.rs

Impact The inaccurate output amount calculation in function `internal_swap_by_output()` leads to incorrect internal accounting. This allows attackers to receive more tokens than they should be entitled to.

Suggestion Revise the output token amount accordingly.

2.1.2 Lack of state update in function `internal_quote_by_output()`

Severity High

Status Fixed in `Version 2`

Introduced by `Version 1`

Description In the `internal_quote_by_output()` function, the state of the `pool` modified during the quoting process is not written back to the `pool_cache`. Therefore, if the same pool is

accessed again, the retrieved state will be incorrect.

```
71  pub fn internal_quote_by_output(
72      &self,
73      pool_cache: &mut HashMap<PoolId, Pool>,
74      vip_info: Option<HashMap<PoolId, u32>>,
75      pool_ids: Vec<PoolId>,
76      input_token: AccountId,
77      output_token: AccountId,
78      output_amount: U128,
79      tag: Option<String>,
80  ) -> QuoteResult {
81      let quote_failed = QuoteResult {
82          amount: 0.into(),
83          tag: tag.clone(),
84      };
85      if self.data().state == RunningState::Paused {
86          return quote_failed;
87      }
88
89      let protocol_fee_rate = self.data().protocol_fee_rate;
90
91      let (actual_input_token, actual_input_amount) = {
92          let mut next_desire_token = output_token;
93          let mut next_desire_amount = output_amount.0;
94          for pool_id in pool_ids {
95              let mut pool = pool_cache.remove(&pool_id).unwrap_or(self.internal_unwrap_pool(&
                    pool_id));
96              if pool.state == RunningState::Paused ||
97                  self.data().frozenlist.contains(&pool.token_x) || self.data().frozenlist.
                        contains(&pool.token_y) {
98                  return quote_failed;
99              }
100
101             let pool_fee = pool.get_pool_fee_by_user(&vip_info);
102
103             let is_finished = if next_desire_token.eq(&pool.token_x) {
104                 let (need_amount, _, is_finished, _, _) = pool.internal_y_swap_x_desire_x(
                        pool_fee, protocol_fee_rate, next_desire_amount, 800001, true);
105                 next_desire_token = pool.token_y.clone();
106                 next_desire_amount = need_amount;
107                 is_finished
108             } else if next_desire_token.eq(&pool.token_y) {
109                 let (need_amount, _, is_finished, _, _) = pool.internal_x_swap_y_desire_y(
                        pool_fee, protocol_fee_rate, next_desire_amount, -800001, true);
110                 next_desire_token = pool.token_x.clone();
111                 next_desire_amount = need_amount;
112                 is_finished
113             } else {
114                 return quote_failed;
115             };
116             if !is_finished {
117                 return quote_failed;
```

```
118                 }
119             }
120             (next_desire_token, next_desire_amount)
121         };
122         if input_token != actual_input_token {
123             return quote_failed;
124         }
125         QuoteResult {
126             amount: actual_input_amount.into(),
127             tag,
128         }
129     }
```

Listing 2.2: ref-dcl/contracts/dcl/src/dcl/swap.rs

Impact This can lead to erroneous results if duplicate pool ids are provided.

Suggestion Write back the updated `pool` state to `pool_cache`.

2.2 Additional Recommendation

2.2.1 Redundant check in function `swap()`

Status Fixed in `Version 2`

Introduced by `Version 1`

Description The `assert_contract_running()` check is redundant in functions `swap()` and `swap_by_output()` since the same check will be performed in the function `execute_actions()`.

```
269     /// Execute set of swap actions between pools.
270     /// If referrer provided, pays referral_fee to it.
271     /// If no attached deposit, outgoing tokens used in swaps must be whitelisted.
272     #[payable]
273     pub fn swap(&mut self, actions: Vec<SwapAction>, referral_id: Option<ValidAccountId>) -> U128
            {
274         self.assert_contract_running();
275         U128(
276             self.execute_actions(
277                 actions
278                     .into_iter()
279                     .map(|swap_action| Action::Swap(swap_action))
280                     .collect(),
281                 referral_id,
282             )
283             .to_amount(),
284         )
285     }
286
287     /// Execute set of swap_by_output actions between pools.
288     /// If referrer provided, pays referral_fee to it.
289     /// If no attached deposit, outgoing tokens used in swaps must be whitelisted.
290     #[payable]
```

```
291  pub fn swap_by_output(&mut self, actions: Vec<SwapByOutputAction>, referral_id: Option<
         ValidAccountId>) -> U128 {
292      self.assert_contract_running();
293      U128(
294          self.execute_actions(
295              actions
296                  .into_iter()
297                  .map(|swap_by_output_action| Action::SwapByOutput(swap_by_output_action))
298                  .collect(),
299              referral_id,
300          )
301          .to_amount(),
302      )
303  }
```

Listing 2.3: ref-contracts/ref-exchange/src/lib.rs

Suggestion Remove the redundant check.

2.2.2 Duplicated price requests

Status Fixed in `Version 2`

Introduced by `Version 1`

Description Every time the function `swap()` of `DegenSwapPool` is invoked, it requests price synchronization for all tokens in the pool from the oracles. However, since the `swap()` function can be invoked multiple times within a single transaction, this may result in redundant token price requests, leading to unnecessary gas consumption.

```
561  pub fn swap(
562      &mut self,
563      token_in: &AccountId,
564      amount_in: Balance,
565      token_out: &AccountId,
566      min_amount_out: Balance,
567      fees: &AdminFees,
568      is_view: bool
569  ) -> Balance {
570
571      assert_ne!(token_in, token_out, "{}", ERR71_SWAP_DUP_TOKENS);
572      let in_idx = self.token_index(token_in);
573      let out_idx = self.token_index(token_out);
574      let result = self.internal_get_return(in_idx, amount_in, out_idx, &fees);
575      let amount_swapped = self.c_amount_to_amount(result.amount_swapped, out_idx);
576      assert!(
577          amount_swapped >= min_amount_out,
578          "{}",
579          ERR68_SLIPPAGE
580      );
581      if !is_view {
582          env::log(
583              format!(
584                  "Swapped {} {} for {} {}, total fee {}, admin fee {}",
```

```
585                 amount_in, token_in, amount_swapped, token_out,
586                 self.c_amount_to_amount(result.fee, out_idx),
587                 self.c_amount_to_amount(result.admin_fee, out_idx)
588             )
589             .as_bytes(),
590         );
591     }
592
593     self.c_amounts[in_idx] = result.new_source_amount;
594     self.c_amounts[out_idx] = result.new_destination_amount;
595     self.assert_min_reserve(self.c_amounts[out_idx]);
596
597     // Keeping track of volume per each input traded separately.
598     self.volumes[in_idx].input.0 += amount_in;
599     self.volumes[out_idx].output.0 += amount_swapped;
600
601     // handle admin fee.
602     if fees.admin_fee_bps > 0 && result.admin_fee > 0 {
603         let (exchange_share, referral_share) = if let Some((referral_id, referral_fee)) = &fees
                .referral_info {
604             if self.shares.contains_key(referral_id)
605             {
606                 self.distribute_admin_fee(&fees.exchange_id, referral_id, *referral_fee, out_idx
                        , result.admin_fee, is_view)
607             } else {
608                 self.distribute_admin_fee(&fees.exchange_id, referral_id, 0, out_idx, result.
                        admin_fee, is_view)
609             }
610         } else {
611             self.distribute_admin_fee(&fees.exchange_id, &fees.exchange_id, 0, out_idx, result.
                    admin_fee, is_view)
612         };
613         if !is_view {
614             if referral_share > 0 {
615                 env::log(
616                     format!(
617                         "Exchange {} got {} shares, Referral {} got {} shares",
618                         &fees.exchange_id, exchange_share, &fees.referral_info.as_ref().unwrap()
                                .0, referral_share,
619                     )
620                     .as_bytes(),
621                 );
622             } else {
623                 env::log(
624                     format!(
625                         "Exchange {} got {} shares, No referral fee",
626                         &fees.exchange_id, exchange_share,
627                     )
628                     .as_bytes(),
629                 );
630             }
631         }
632     }
```

```
633
634         if !is_view {
635             for token_id in self.token_account_ids.iter() {
636                 let degen = global_get_degen(token_id);
637                 degen.sync_token_price(token_id);
638             }
639         }
640
641         amount_swapped
642     }
```

Listing 2.4: ref-contracts/ref-exchange/src/lib.rs

Suggestion Add checks to verify if the token is currently in the midst of syncing its price, and only request an update from the oracle if it is not already in the sync process.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