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SECURITY ASSESSMENT

LEND

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PROJECT

Introduction

LEND is simply lending & borrowing, amplified, with real yield value extraction, from protocol, to holder. A lending protocol that generates revenue through facilitating swaps and interest rate differentials, generating revenue on the spread.

LEND will establish pools of algorithmically derived interest rate model, based on current supply and demand of each respective asset. Suppliers and Borrowers of assets interact directly with the protocol in earning and paying a floating interest rate. This is all done without the need to negotiate terms of maturity, interest rate or collateral with any peer or counterparty!

Project Name [LEND](#)

Contract Name [LEND Token](#)

Contract Address -

Contract Chain Mainnet

Contract Type [Smart Contract](#)

Platform [EVM](#)

Language [Solidity](#)

Network [BNB Chain \(BEP20\)](#) [Ethereum \(ERC20\)](#) [Polygon \(Matic\)](#)

Codebase [Private GitHub Repository](#)

Total Token Supply [1,000.000.000](#)

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AUDIT
Score

◆ Issues	11
◆ Critical	0
◆ Major	1
◆ Medium	3
◆ Minor	3
◆ Informational	4
◆ Discussion	0

All issues are described in further detail on
the following pages.

AUDIT Scope

CODEBASE FILES

JumpRateModelV2c.sol

JumpRateModelV2s.sol

Unitroller.sol

LOCATION

◆ Private Repository

◆ Private Repository

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REVIEW Methodology

TECHNIQUES

This report has been prepared for LEND to discover issues and vulnerabilities in the source code of the LEND project as well as any contract dependencies that were not part of an officially recognized library. A comprehensive examination has been performed, utilizing Dynamic, Static Analysis and Manual Review techniques.

The auditing process pays special attention to the following considerations:

- Testing the smart contracts against both common and uncommon attack vectors.
- Assessing the codebase to ensure compliance with current best practices and industry standards.
- Ensuring contract logic meets the specifications and intentions of the client.
- Cross referencing contract structure and implementation against similar smart contracts produced by industry leaders.

The security assessment resulted in findings that ranged from major to informational. We recommend addressing these findings to ensure a high level of security standards and industry practices. We suggest recommendations that could better serve the project from the security perspective in the comments below.

TIMESTAMP

Version v1.0

Date 2022/08/16

Description Layout project

Architecture / Static security testing

Summary

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KEY Finding

TITLE	SEVERITY	STATUS
Locked Ether Inside A Contract	◆ Major	Pending
Missing Exception On BEP20 Transfer Failure	◆ Medium	Pending
BEP20 Approve Font-Running Attack	◆ Medium	Pending
Array Length Manipulation	◆ Medium	Pending
Use Of SafeMath Library	◆ Minor	Pending
Cheaper Inequalities In Require()	◆ Minor	Pending
Use Of Floating Pragma	◆ Minor	Pending
Block Values As A Proxy For Time	◆ Informational	Pending
In-Line Assembly Detected	◆ Informational	Pending
Function Should Return Struct	◆ Informational	Pending

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KEY Finding

TITLE

Presence Of Overpowered Role

SEVERITY

◆ Informational

STATUS

Pending

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IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

The contract is programmed to receive Ether, but no method was found that allowed the Ether to be withdrawn, i.e., call, transfer, transferFrom, send, or call.value at least once.

Without a withdrawal function, the Ethers will forever be locked inside the contract if the contract's code is not upgradeable leading to loss of funds.

LOCATION

Unitroller.sol [L2964-L3102](#)

Issue : Locked Ether Inside A Contract

Level : Major

Remediation : Implement a withdraw function or reject payments (contracts without a fallback function do it automatically).

Alleviation / Retest :



IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

Functions of BEP-20 Token Standard should throw in special cases:

- transfer **should** throw if the `_from` account balance does not have enough tokens to spend.
- transferFrom **should** throw unless the `_from` account has deliberately authorized the sender of the message via some mechanism.

LOCATION

Unitroller.sol L720-L1001; L1112-L1246

Issue : Missing Exception On BEP20 Transfer Failure

Level : Medium

Remediation : The BEP20 standard recommends throwing exceptions in functions transfer **and** transferFrom.

SafeBEP20 standard can also be used that automatically throws on failure

Alleviation / Retest :

IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

The approve() method overrides current allowance regardless of whether the spender already used it or not, so there is no way to increase or decrease allowance by a certain value atomically unless the token owner is a smart contract, not an account.

This can be abused by a token receiver when they try to withdraw certain tokens from the sender's account.

Meanwhile, if the sender decides to change the amount and sends another approve transaction, the receiver can notice this transaction before it's mined and can extract tokens from both the transactions, therefore, ending up with tokens from both the transactions. This is a front-running attack affecting the BEP20 Approve function.

LOCATION

Unitroller.sol [L1440-L1445](#)

Issue : BEP20 Approve Front-Running Attack

Level : Medium

Remediation : Only use the approve function of the BEP20 standard to change the allowed amount to 0 or from 0 (wait till transaction is mined and approved).

Token owner just needs to make sure that the first transaction actually changed allowance from N to 0, i.e., that the spender didn't manage to transfer some of N allowed tokens before the first transaction was mined. Such checking is possible using advanced blockchain explorers such as [bscscan.io] (<https://bscscan.io/>).

Another way to mitigate the threat is to approve token transfers only to smart contracts with verified source code that does not contain logic for performing attacks like described above, and to accounts owned by the people you may trust.

Alleviation / Retest :

IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

A smart contract's data (e.g., storing the owner of the contract) is persistently stored at some storage location (i.e., a key or address) on the EVM level. The contract is responsible for ensuring that only authorized user or contract accounts may write to sensitive storage locations. If an attacker is able to write to arbitrary storage locations of a contract, the authorization checks may easily be circumvented. This can allow an attacker to corrupt the storage; for instance, by overwriting a field that stores the address of the contract owner.

The length of the dynamic array is changed directly. In this case, the appearance of gigantic arrays is possible and it can lead to a storage overlap attack (collisions with other data in storage)

LOCATION

Unitroller.sol [L1812](#); [L1921](#); [L1939](#); [L2171](#); [L2181](#); [L2183](#); [L2197](#); [L2395-L2396](#); [L2401-L2404](#)

Issue : Array Length Manipulation

Level : Medium

Remediation : Only use the approve function of the BEP20 standard to change allowed amount to 0 or from 0 (wait till transaction is mined and approved).

Alleviation / Retest :

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IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

SafeMath library is found to be used in the contract. This increases gas consumption than traditional methods and validations if done manually.

Also, Solidity 0.8 includes checked arithmetic operations by default, and this renders SafeMath unnecessary.

LOCATION

JumpRateModelV2c.sol [L233](#)

JumpRateModelV2s.sol [L233](#)

Issue : Use Of SafeMath Library

Level : Minor

Remediation : We do not recommend using SafeMath library for all arithmetic operations. It is good practice to use explicit checks where it is really needed and to avoid extra checks where overflow/underflow is impossible.

The compiler should be upgraded to Solidity version 0.8.0+ which automatically checks for overflows and underflows.

Alleviation / Retest :

IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

The contract was found to be doing comparisons using inequalities inside the require statement. When inside the require statements, non-strict inequalities (\geq , \leq) are usually costlier than the strict equalities ($>$, $<$).

LOCATION

JumpRateModelV2c.sol L65; L80

JumpRateModelV2s.sol L65; L80

Issue : Cheaper Inequalities In Require()

Level : Minor

Remediation : It is recommended to go through the code logic, and, if possible, modify the non-strict inequalities with the strict ones to save ~3 gas as long as the logic of the code is not affected.

Alleviation / Retest :

IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

Solidity source files indicate the versions of the compiler they can be compiled with using a pragma directive at the top of the solidity file. This can either be a floating pragma or a specific compiler version.

The contract was found to be using a floating pragma which is not considered safe as it can be compiled with all the versions described

LOCATION

Unitroller.sol [L04](#)

JumpRateModelV2c.sol [L04](#)

JumpRateModelV2s.sol [L04](#)

Issue : Use Of FloatingPragma

Level : Minor

Remediation : It is recommended to follow the latter example, as future compiler versions may handle certain language constructions in a way the developer did not foresee. The developers should always use the exact Solidity compiler version when designing their contracts as it may break the changes in the future.

pragma solidity ^0.4.17; not recommended -> compiles with 0.4.17 and above

pragma solidity 0.8.4; recommended -> compiles with 0.8.4 only

Alleviation / Retest :

IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

Contracts often need access to time values to perform certain types of functionality. Values such as `block.timestamp` and `block.number` can be used to determine the current time or the time delta. However, they are not recommended for most use cases.

For `block.number`, as Ethereum block times are generally around 14 seconds, the delta between blocks can be predicted. The block times, on the other hand, do not remain constant and are subject to change for a number of reasons, e.g., fork reorganizations and the difficulty bomb.

Due to variable block times, `block.number` should not be relied on for precise calculations of time

LOCATION

Unitroller.sol [L1510](#)

Issue : Block Values As A Proxy For Time

Level : Informational

Remediation : Smart contracts should be written with the idea that block values are not precise, and their use can have unexpected results. Alternatively, oracles can be used.

Alleviation / Retest :



IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

Inline assembly is a way to access the Ethereum Virtual Machine at a low level. This bypasses several important safety features and checks of Solidity. This should only be used for tasks that need it and if there is confidence in using it.

Multiple vulnerabilities have been detected previously when the assembly is not properly used within the Solidity code; therefore, caution should be exercised while using them.

LOCATION

Unitroller.sol L288-L300; L305-L311; L316-L348; L370-L532; L971; L974; L1232-L1245;
L1272-L1303; L1564-L1594; L1621-L1651; L2239-L2254; L2265-L2334;
L2504-L2521; L2708-L2716; L2724-L2752

Issue : In-Line Assembly Detected

Level : Informational

Remediation : Avoid using inline assembly instructions if possible because it might introduce certain issues in the code if not dealt with properly because it bypasses several safety features that are already implemented in Solidity.

Alleviation / Retest :



IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

Internal or private functions were detected to be returning multiple values.

Consider using a struct instead of multiple return values for internal or private functions. It can improve code readability.

Most decentralized applications and games need to store data on the blockchain, so they have to interact with the storage.

Minimizing storage costs is a major part of Gas optimization for your smart contracts.

Issue : Function Should Return Struct

Level : Informational

Remediation : Use struct for internal or private function, which returns several parameters and improves code readability. This also helps in reducing the Gas used.

Alleviation / Retest :

LOCATION

Unitroller.sol [L1494](#); [L1499](#); [L1502](#)



IN - DEPTH Vulnerabilities

DESCRIPTION

The overpowered owner (i.e., the person who has too much power) is a project design where the contract is tightly coupled to their owner (or owners); only they can manually invoke critical functions.

Due to the fact that this function is only accessible from a single address, the system is heavily dependent on the address of the owner. In this case, there are scenarios that may lead to undesirable consequences for investors, e.g., if the private key of this address is compromised, then an attacker can take control of the contract.

LOCATION

Unitroller.sol [L1278](#)

Issue : Presence Of Overpowered Role

Level : Informational

Remediation : We recommend designing contracts in a trust-less manner. For instance, this functionality can be implemented in the contract's constructor. Another option is to use a MultiSig wallet for this address.

For systems that are provisioned for a single user, you can use [`Ownable.sol`] (<https://github.com/OpenZeppelin/openzeppelincontracts/blob/release-v2.5.0/contracts/ownership/Ownable.sol>).

For systems that require provisioning users in a group, you can use [`@openzeppelin/Roles.sol`] (<https://github.com/OpenZeppelin/openzeppelin-contracts/blob/release-v2.5.0/contracts/access/Roles.sol>) or [`@hq20/Whitelist.sol`] (<https://github.com/HQ20/contracts/blob/v0.0.2/contracts/access/Whitelist.sol>)

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SOURCE Code

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REPORT Appendix

FINDING CATEGORIES

The assessment process will utilize a mixture of static analysis, dynamic analysis, in-depth manual review and/or other security techniques.

This report has been prepared for LEND project using the above techniques to examine and discover vulnerabilities and safe coding practices in LEND's smart contract including the libraries used by the contract that are not officially recognized.

A comprehensive static and dynamic analysis has been performed on the solidity code in order to find vulnerabilities ranging from minor gas optimizations to major vulnerabilities leading to the loss of funds.

Various common and uncommon attack vectors will be investigated to ensure that the smart contracts are secure from malicious actors. The testing methods find and flag issues related to gas optimizations that help in reducing the overall gas cost It scans and evaluates the codebase against industry best practices and standards to ensure compliance It makes sure that the officially recognized libraries used in the code are secure and up to date.

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