Security

Recap of function selectors

Encoding the function signatures and parameters

Example

```
pragma solidity ^0.8.0;

contract MyContract {

   Foo otherContract;

   function callOtherContract() public view returns (bool){
      bool answer = otherContract.baz(69,true);
      return answer;
   }
}

contract Foo {
   function bar(bytes3[2] memory) public pure {}
   function baz(uint32 x, bool y) public pure returns (bool r) {
      r = x > 32 || y;
   }
   function sam(bytes memory, bool, uint[] memory) public pure {}
}
```

The way the call is actually made involves encoding the function selector and parameters

If we wanted to call *baz* with the parameters 69 and true, we would pass 68 bytes total, which can be broken down into:

1. the Method ID. This is derived as the first 4 bytes of the Keccak hash of the ASCII form of the signature baz(uint32,bool).

```
***0xcdcd77c0:***
```

2. the first parameter, a uint32 value 69 padded to 32 bytes

3. the second parameter - boolean true, padded to 32 bytes

In total

The Polynetwork Hack - \$600M stolen

Poly Network - Stolen Funds Breakdown



Ethereum Blockchain

	Quantity stolen		
USDC	96,389,444		
WBTC (wrapped Bitcoin)	1,032		
DAI	673,227		
UNI (Uniswap)	43,023		
SHIBA	259,737,345,149		
renBTC	14.47		
USDT	33,431,197		
wETH (wrapped Ether)	26,109		
FEI USD	616,082		



Sinance Smart Chain

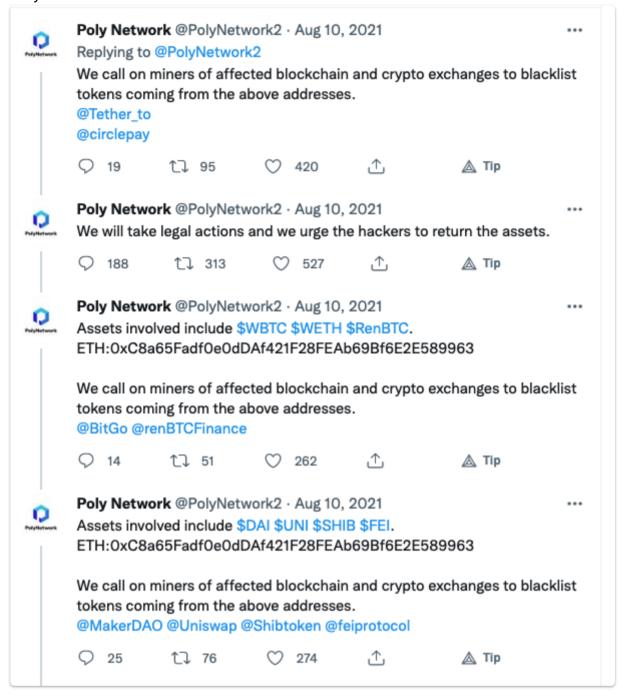
	Quantity stolen
BNB	6,613.44
USDC	87,603,373
ETH	299
втсв	26,629
BUSD	1,023



Solven Blockchain

	Quantity stolen
USDC	85,089,610

Polynetwork react to attack



Example messages to the attacker

- Can I have some ETH? i been losing a lot of money Thank you
- Consider donating to public goods after all the pleasure you've got from using public infra
- ngmi
- Welcome to the crypto world. Fee Tips: Use tornado.cash to laundry your money ASAP.
- Forget your USDT. Forget your USDC.
- Swap tokens to ETH then deposit to tornado.cash. Good luck.
- Hi. Boos. Can. You. Give me eth thanks
- You can use Tornado for currency mixing
- DONT USE YOUR USDT TOKEN YOU VE GOT BLACKLISTED

- You can buy every pudgy penguin on opensea :)
- Dad, this is my only asset. Please accept it
- JOINING FOR EPIC SCREENCAP
- Please gice me some eth
- DONT USE YOUR USDT TOKEN
 YOU VE GOT BLACKLISTED,god bless you
- Remove liquidity from curve pool in form of DAI, and exchange it for Eth and launder with Tornado

Exploit Details

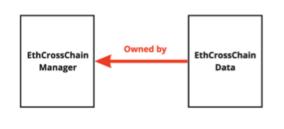
Mismanagement of access rights between two contracts

EthCrossChainManager is an owner of EthCrossChainData, = EthCrossChainManager ca

= EthCrossChainManager can execute privileged functions!

_method is user defined

= can be set at will.



bytes4(keccak256(abi.encodePacked(_method, "(bytes,bytes,uint64)"))),

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Vulnerable Contract 2: EthCrossChainData

Very High Privileged contract! → Can only be called by its owners.

Set + manage list of "Keepers"

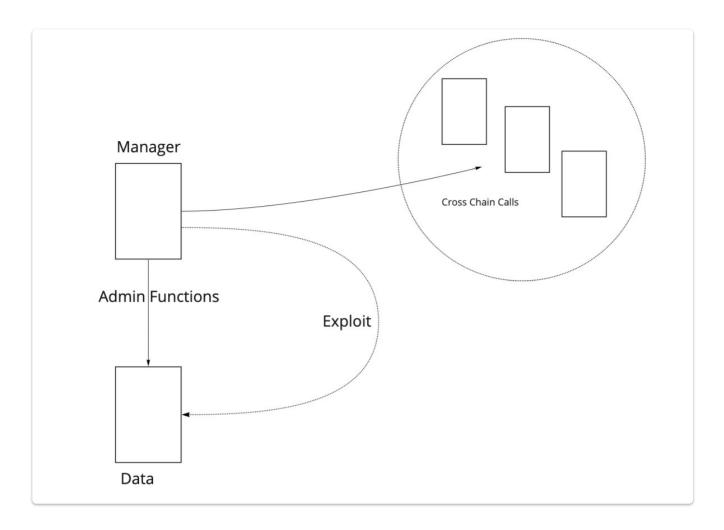
- = list of public keys that manage the wallets in the underlying liquidity chain
- → Keepers have the right to execute large transactions, transfer large amounts to other wallets.

<u>Vulnerable function:</u> *putCurEpochConPubKeyBytes*

= become a "Keeper"

Set the public key (passed as parameter) as a Keeper

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Aiming to find X such that

Hash(X,bytes,bytes,uint64)

=

Hash(putCurEpochConPubKeyBytes,bytes) = 0x41973cd9

The Brute Force solution was

X = f1121318093

The Attacker reconsiders

The attacker received a rather cryptic message

"Dont instant tornado funds, dont instant move blacklistable tokens to DAI/ETH? Insider confirmed!"

The attacker was looking at Tornado Cash and sent themselves a message

"Wonder why Tornado? Will miners stop me? Teach me please"

Then someone found a link between an address used by the attacker and some exchanges and tweeted

"Did the PolyNetwork Exploiter accidentally use the wrong sender address for this tx 0xb12681d9e? The sender address is tied to FTX, Binance, Okex accounts."

The hacker's attitude started to change, he suggested he could return "some tokens" or even abandon them, saying that they were "not so interested in the money".

Followed by a suggestion: "What if I make a new token and let the DAO decide where the tokens go"

Finally the attacker messaged "Ready to return the fund!"

See this spreadsheet for all communications

The attacker starts to return the funds

Polynetwork starts to refer to the attacker as 'Mr White Hat' and offer him a job and bounty



'We appreciate you sharing your experience and believe your action constitutes white hat behavior. But we can't touch user assets and Poly Network doesn't have its own token. Since , we believe your action is white hat behavior, we plan to offer you a \$500,000 bug bounty after you complete the refund fully. Also we assure you that you will not be accountable for this incident.

We hope that you can return all tokens as soon as possible. You can reserve the equivalent value of 500,000 USD in any assets to the current owner address. We will make up this part of the assets to Poly Network users.

Your contribution is very helpful to us. Again, we think this behavior is white hat behavior, therefor this 500,000 USD will be seen as completely legal bounty reward. We will also ensure that you will not be held accountable for this incident, and we will publicly express our gratitude to you.'

Lasttime Refund	Chain	Hacker Address	Hack	Refund
12/8/2021 15:40:04	ETH Chain	0xC8a65Fadf0e0dDAf421F28FEAb69Bf6E2E589	272 mil	Almost
	BSC Chain	0x0D6e286A7cfD25E0c01fEe9756765D8033B32	253mil	ALL
	Polygon Chain	0x5dc3603c9d42ff184153a8a9094a73d46166321	85 mil	ALL
Still waiting more Fund	Chain	Receive Address (Polynetwork Multisig)	Balance	Received
	ETH Chain	0x71Fb9dB587F6d47Ac8192Cd76110E05B8fd21	Almost	Almost
9204 74 Hours		0x71Fb9dB587F6d47Ac8192Cd76110E05B8fd21 0x34d6b21d7b773225a102b382815e00ad876e2;		Almost
8394,74 Hours	New Multisig W		ALL	

A number of rather lengthy messages follow the return of the funds

Q & A, PART TWO:

Q: WHAT REALLY HAPPENED 30 HOURS AGO?

A: LONG STORY.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT, I WAS _FORCED_ TO PLAY THE GAME.

THE POLY NETWORK IS A SOPHISTICATED SYSTEM, I DIDN'T MANAGE TO BUILD A LOCAL TESTING ENVIRONMENT. I FAILED TO PRODUCE A POC AT THE BEGINNING. HOWEVER, THE AHA MOMEMNT CAME JUST BEFORE I WAS TO GIVE UP. AFTER DEBUGGING ALL NIGHT, I CRAFTED A _SINGLE_ MESSAGE TO THE ONTOLOGY NETWORK.

I WAS PLANNING TO LAUNCH A COOL BLITZKRIEG TO TAKE OVER THE FOUR NETWORK: ETH, BSC, POLYGON & HECO. HOWEVER THE HECO NETWORK GOES WRONG! THE RELAYER DOES NOT BEHAVE LIKE THE OTHERS, A KEEPER JUST RELAYED MY EXPLOIT DIRECTLY, AND THE KEY WAS UPDATED TO SOME WRONG PARAMETERS. IT RUINED MY PLAN.

I SHOULD HAVE STOPPED AT THAT MOMENT, BUT I DECIDED TO LET THE SHOW GO ON! WHAT IF THEY PATCH THE BUG SECRETLY WITHOUT ANY NOTIFICATION?

HOWEVER, I DIDN'T WANT TO CAUSE _REAL_ PANIC OF THE CRYPTO WORLD. SO I CHOSE TO IGNORE SHIT COINS, SO PEOPLE DIDN'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THEM GOING TO ZERO. I TOOK IMPORTANT TOKENS (EXCEPT FOR SHIB) AND DIDN'T SELL ANY OF THEM.

Q: THEN WHY SELLING/SWAPPING THE STABLES?

A: I WAS PISSED BY THE POLY TEAM FOR THEIR INITIAL REPONSE.

THEY URGED OTHERS TO BLAME & HATE ME BEFORE I HAD ANY CHANCE TO REPLY! OF COURSE I KNEW THERE ARE FAKE DEFI COINS, BUT I DIDN'T TAKE IT SERIOUSLY SINCE I HAD NO PLAN LAUNDERING THEM.

IN THE MEANWHILE, DEPOSITING THE STABLES COULD EARN SOME INTEREST TO COVER POTENTIAL COST SO THAT I HAVE MORE TIME TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE POLY TEAM.

Best practices

Consensys Best Practices

GENERAL

- Prepare for Failure
- Stay up to Date
- Keep it Simple
- Rolling out
- Blockchain Properties
- Simplicity vs. Complexity

PRECAUTIONS

- General
- Upgradeability
- Circuit Breakers
- Speed Bumps
- Rate Limiting
- Deployment
- Safe Haven

SOLIDITY SPECIFIC

- Assert, Require, Revert
- Modifiers as Guards
- Integer Division
- Abstract vs Interfaces
- Fallback Functions
- Payability
- Visibility
- Locking Pragmas
- Event Monitoring
- Shadowing
- tx.origin
- Timestamp Dependence
- Complex Inheritance
- Interface Types
- EXTCODESIZE Checks

TOKEN SPECIFIC

- Standardization
- Frontrunning
- Zero Address
- Contract Address

DOCUMENTATION

- General
- Specification
- Status
- Procedures
- Known Issues
- History
- Contact

ATTACKS

- Reentrancy
- Oracle Manipulation
- Frontrunning
- Timestamp Dependence
- Insecure Arithmetic
- Denial of Service
- Griefing
- Force Feeding

Development recommendations

Token Checklist

Solidity Bugs by version

Topics Next Week

Assembly
Layer 2 Solutions / rollups
Gas optimisation