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Introduction

CoinFabrik was asked to audit the contracts for the EMDX project. First we will provide a summary of our discoveries and then we will show the details of our findings.

Summary

The contracts audited are from the EMDX repository at https://github.com/emdx-dex/perpetual-protocol/. The audit is based on the commit ca34a5e9e254caca5056ab5002a3fdb0b4f3b004.

Contracts

The audited contracts are:

- src/ChainlinkL1.sol: Chainlink Oracle interface
- src/L2PriceFeed.sol: Asset price feed
- src/ClearingHouse.sol: Core perpetual protocol contract
- src/InsuranceFund.sol: Insurance fund
- src/interface/Iark.sol: Ark interface
- src/Ark.sol: Minter replacement to cover Insurance fund collateral depletion.

Contracts are a fork of the Perpetual protocol (https://github.com/perpetual-protocol), with the exception of IArk.sol and Ark.sol.



Analyses

The following analyses were performed:

- Misuse of the different call methods
- Integer overflow errors
- Division by zero errors
- Outdated version of Solidity compiler
- Front running attacks
- Reentrancy attacks
- Misuse of block timestamps
- Softlock denial of service attacks
- Functions with excessive gas cost
- Missing or misused function qualifiers
- Needlessly complex code and contract interactions
- Poor or nonexistent error handling
- Failure to use a withdrawal pattern
- Insufficient validation of the input parameters
- Incorrect handling of cryptographic signatures



Findings and Fixes

ID	Title	Severity	Status
ME-01	Denial of Service in Ark.withdrawForLoss()	Medium	Not fixed
MI-01	Invalid calculation in Ark.withdrawForLoss()	Minor	Not fixed
MI-02	Oracle manipulation on ChainlinkL1.updateLatestRoundData()	Minor	Not fixed
MI-03	Solidity Compiler Version	Minor	Not fixed
EN-01	Uninitialized Contract address	Enhancement	Not fixed



Severity Classification

Security risks are classified as follows:

- **Critical:** These are issues that we manage to exploit. They compromise the system seriously. They must be fixed **immediately**.
- **Medium:** These are potentially exploitable issues. Even though we did not manage to exploit them or their impact is not clear, they might represent a security risk in the near future. We suggest fixing them **as soon as possible**.
- Minor: These issues represent problems that are relatively small or difficult
 to take advantage of but can be exploited in combination with other issues.
 These kinds of issues do not block deployments in production environments.
 They should be taken into account and be fixed when possible.
- **Enhancement:** These kinds of findings do not represent a security risk. They are best practices that we suggest to implement.

This classification is summarized in the following table:

SEVERITY	EXPLOITABLE	ROADBLOCK	TO BE FIXED
Critical	Yes	Yes	Immediately
Medium	In the near future	Yes	As soon as possible
Minor	Unlikely	No	Eventually
Enhancement	No	No	Eventually



Issues Found by Severity

Critical Severity

No issues found

Medium Severity

ME-01 Denial of Service in Ark.withdrawForLoss()

In the function Ark.withdrawForLoss() it is possible to withdraw more than the total balance of the token. This should be prevented by the require statement at line 46 of Ark.sol:

```
require(_balanceOf(_quoteToken, address(this)).toUint() >= _amount.toUint(),
"insufficient funds");
```

But in the next step in Ark.sol, line 50, the amount to withdraw is incremented by one to compensate for the method DecimalERC20 that rounds down in the conversion from decimal to uint256. But if the token has 18 or more decimals, the conversion to uint256 is done at the line 103 in DecimalERC20.sol:

```
return _decimal.toUint().mul(10**(tokenDecimals.sub(18)));
```

We can see that in this case the conversion is simply a multiplication, so no rounding down is done. Subsequently, by increasing the amount by one at line 50 in Ark.sol, the amount to withdraw is now bigger than the balance, and the _transfer() will fail.

Recommendation

The assumption that Decimal to uint256 conversion always rounds down the value is incorrect, as this only happens with tokens with less than 18 decimals. Adjust the code to reflect this condition or require only tokens with less than 18 decimals.

Minor Severity

MI-01 Invalid calculation in Ark.withdrawForLoss()

When calling Ark.withdrawForLoss() it is possible to operate with different ERC20 tokens that are passed as parameter quotetoken.



There are two issues when operating with different tokens:

1) At line 57 in Ark.sol a log of the transfers is calculated in this way:

```
cumulativeAmount = withdrawnTokenHistory[len -
1].cumulativeAmount.addD(_amount);
```

This calculation doesn't consider that _amount might represent amounts of different tokens. This issue is not serious because the variable withdrawnTokenHistory is currently unused.

2) At line 64 in Ark.so1 we can see the transfer and associated event being generated:

```
_transfer(_quoteToken, _msgSender(), _amount);
emit WithdrawnForLoss(_msgSender(), _amount.toUint());
```

We can see that the transfer specifies the token type, but the event does not, so any listener of this event has no way to know which token was withdrawn.

Recommendation

Refactor the code to support operation with different tokens, or limit the contract to operate on a single token type.

MI-02 Oracle manipulation on ChainlinkL1.updateLatestRoundData()

In ChainlinkL1.sol line 118 we can see a decimal conversion calculation:

```
return _price.mul(TOKEN_DIGIT).div(10**uint256(_decimals));
```

This exponentiation operation will overflow in any token with more than 77 decimals, causing an exception in the UpdateLatestRoundData() function. The same overflow was detected in the following contracts but are out of the scope of this audit, and impact was not analyzed:

- DecimalMath.sol, line 13
- DecimalERC20.sol, line 94
- DecimalERC20.sol, line 103

Recommendation

Require a limit or a range for token decimals accepted by this contract.



MI-03 Solidity Compiler Version

All audited files use the pragma solidity 0.6.9; statement. This solidity version is outdated and may introduce bugs. See https://swcregistry.io/docs/SWC-103.

Recommendation

Update the solidity compiler to the latest revision (0.8.10 at the current time). Also, when updating to 0.8 take into account the new semantics for safe math operations.

Enhancements

EN-01 Uninitialized Contract address

At line 86 in L2PriceFeed.sol, the modifier onlyChainlink() restricts the call to chainlinkContract, previously set calling ChainlinkL1.setChainlink(). However, it is not verified or assured in any way that this function was called, as a result the chainlinkContract can be uninitialized, preventing this function from updating the prices until the setChainlink() function is called.

Recommendation

Initialize the chainlinkContract address in the initializer of the contract, so it never can be used uninitialized.



Other considerations

Documentation

Documentation is inconsistent throughout the source code. The core contract ClearingHouse.sol has good documentation of functions and arguments, but it's not as detailed in Ark.sol, ChainlinkL1.sol, InsuranceFund.sol and L2PriceFeed.sol.

Centralization

The contract ChainlinkL1.sol allows the owner to change the price oracle, and in the case of Ark.sol it allows the owner of the contract to withdraw all funds using the claimTokens() function. Also, all contracts are upgradeable by the owner.

Users of the EMDX protocol need to trust the owner of the contract because of this fact.

Conclusion

We found 1 medium-severity issue and 3 minimal-severity issues. Also we suggested two enhancements to the code.

Disclaimer: This audit report is not a security warranty, investment advice, or an approval of the EMDX project since CoinFabrik has not reviewed its platform. Moreover, it does not provide a smart contract code faultlessness guarantee.