

# **Growth Labs GSquared**

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#### **Executive Summary**

#### **Engagement Overview**

Growth Labs engaged Trail of Bits to review the security of its GSquared Solidity smart contracts. From September 26 to October 7, 2022, a team of four consultants conducted a security review of the client-provided source code, with six person-weeks of effort. Details of the project's scope, timeline, test targets, and coverage are provided in the original audit report.

Growth Labs contracted Trail of Bits to review the fixes implemented for issues identified in the original report. On November 7, 2022, one consultant conducted a review of the client-provided source code, with one half person-day of effort.

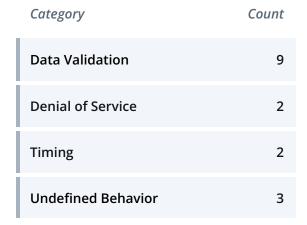
#### **Summary of Findings**

The original audit uncovered significant flaws that could impact system confidentiality, integrity, or availability. A summary of the original findings is provided below.

#### **EXPOSURE ANALYSIS**

#### **CATEGORY BREAKDOWN**





#### Overview of Fix Review Results

Growth Labs has sufficiently addressed eleven of the issues described in the original audit report, and partially addressed two additional issues.

### **Project Summary**

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#### **Project Timeline**

The significant events and milestones of the project are listed below.

Date	Event
September 20, 2022	Pre-project kickoff call
September 30, 2022	Status update meeting #1
October 11, 2022	Delivery of report draft
October 11, 2022	Report readout meeting
November 2, 2022	Delivery of final report
November 22, 2022	Delivery of fix review

# **Project Methodology**

Our work in the fix review included the following:

- A review of the findings in the original audit report
- A manual review of the client-provided source code and configuration material

# **Project Targets**

The engagement involved a review of the fixes implemented in the following target.

#### **GSquared**

Repository https://github.com/groLabs/GSquared-internal/

Version b0cf03fa18b4549bd85c571c00e18ddf3218de59

Type Solidity

Platform EVM

# **Summary of Fix Review Results**

The table below summarizes each of the original findings and indicates whether the issue has been sufficiently resolved.

ID	Title	Status
1	Unbounded loop can cause denial of service	Resolved
2	Lack of two-step process for contract ownership changes	Unresolved
3	Non-zero token balances in the GRouter can be stolen	Unresolved
4	Uninformative implementation of maxDeposit and maxMint from EIP-4626	Resolved
5	moveStrategy runs of out gas for large inputs	Resolved
6	GVault withdrawals from ConvexStrategy are vulnerable to sandwich attacks	Partially Resolved
7	Stop loss primer cannot be deactivated	Resolved
8	getYieldTokenAmount uses convertToAssets instead of convertToShares	Resolved
9	convertToShares can be manipulated to block deposits	Resolved
10	Harvest operation could be blocked if eligibility check on a strategy reverts	Partially Resolved
11	Incorrect rounding direction in GVault	Resolved
12	Protocol migration is vulnerable to front-running and a loss of funds	Resolved

13	Incorrect slippage calculation performed during strategy investments and divestitures	Resolved
14	Potential division by zero in _calcTrancheValue	Resolved
15	Token withdrawals from GTranche are sent to the incorrect address	Resolved
16	Solidity compiler optimizations can be problematic	Unresolved

#### **Detailed Fix Review Results**

1. Unbounded loop can cause denial of service	
Status: <b>Resolved</b>	
Severity: <b>High</b>	Difficulty: <b>Low</b>
Type: Denial of Service	Finding ID: TOB-GRO-1
Target: contracts/GVault.sol	

#### Description

Under certain conditions, the withdrawal code will loop, permanently blocking users from getting their funds.

The beforeWithdraw function runs before any withdrawal to ensure that the vault has sufficient assets. If the vault reserves are insufficient to cover the withdrawal, it loops over each strategy, incrementing the \_strategyId pointer value with each iteration, and withdrawing assets to cover the withdrawal amount.

```
643
        function beforeWithdraw(uint256 _assets, ERC20 _token)
644
           internal
645
           returns (uint256)
646
647
           // If reserves dont cover the withdrawal, start withdrawing from
strategies
648
           if (_assets > _token.balanceOf(address(this))) {
649
               uint48 _strategyId = strategyQueue.head;
650
               while (true) {
                   address _strategy = nodes[_strategyId].strategy;
651
                   uint256 vaultBalance = _token.balanceOf(address(this));
652
653
                   // break if we have withdrawn all we need
654
                   if (_assets <= vaultBalance) break;</pre>
655
                   uint256 amountNeeded = _assets - vaultBalance;
656
657
                   StrategyParams storage _strategyData = strategies[_strategy];
658
                   amountNeeded = Math.min(amountNeeded, _strategyData.totalDebt);
659
                   // If nothing is needed or strategy has no assets, continue
660
                   if (amountNeeded == 0) {
661
                      continue;
662
```

Figure 1.1: The beforeWithdraw function in GVault.sol#L643-662

However, during an iteration, if the vault raises enough assets that the amount needed by the vault becomes zero or that the current strategy no longer has assets, the loop would keep using the same strategyId until the transaction runs out of gas and fails, blocking the withdrawal.

#### **Fix Analysis**

The issue is resolved. The loop logic was reorganized so the pointer to the next element in the list will always be incremented on every iteration.

# 2. Lack of two-step process for contract ownership changes Status: Unresolved Severity: Informational Difficulty: High Type: Data Validation Finding ID: TOB-GRO-2 Target: contracts/pnl/PnLFixedRate.sol

#### **Description**

The setOwner() function is used to change the owner of the PnLFixedRate contract. Transferring ownership in one function call is error-prone and could result in irrevocable mistakes.

```
function setOwner(address _owner) external {
   if (msg.sender != owner) revert PnLErrors.NotOwner();
   address previous_owner = msg.sender;
   owner = _owner;
   emit LogOwnershipTransferred(previous_owner, _owner);
}
```

Figure 2.1: contracts/pnl/PnLFixedRate:56-62

This issue can also be found in the following locations:

- contracts/pnl/PnL.sol:36-42
- contracts/strategy/ConvexStrategy.sol:447-453
- contracts/strategy/keeper/GStrategyGuard.sol:92-97
- contracts/strategy/stop-loss/StopLossLogic.sol:73-78

#### Fix Analysis

The issue is not resolved. The Growth Labs team acknowledged the risk but does not consider this an issue.

# 3. Non-zero token balances in the GRouter can be stolen

Status: <b>Unresolved</b>		
Severity: <b>Informational</b>	Difficulty: <b>Medium</b>	
Type: Data Validation	Finding ID: TOB-GRO-3	
Target: GRouter.sol		

#### **Description**

A non-zero balance of 3CRV, DAI, USDC, or USDT in the router contract can be stolen by an attacker.

The GRouter contract is the entrypoint for deposits into a tranche and withdrawals out of a tranche. A deposit involves depositing a given number of a supported stablecoin (USDC, DAI, or USDT); converting the deposit, through a series of operations, into G3CRV, the protocol's ERC4626-compatible vault token; and depositing the G3CRV into a tranche. Similarly, for withdrawals, the user burns their G3CRV that was in the tranche and, after a series of operations, receives back some amount of a supported stablecoin (figure 3.1).

```
421
       function withdrawFromTrancheForCaller(
422
          uint256 _amount,
423
          uint256 _token_index,
         bool _tranche,
424
425
          uint256 _minAmount
426
       ) internal returns (uint256 amount) {
427
          ERC20(address(tranche.getTrancheToken(_tranche))).safeTransferFrom(
428
              msg.sender,
429
              address(this),
430
              _amount
431
          ):
          // withdraw from tranche
432
433
          // index is zero for ETH mainnet as their is just one yield token
434
          // returns usd value of withdrawal
435
          (uint256 vaultTokenBalance, ) = tranche.withdraw(
436
              _amount,
437
              0.
438
              _tranche,
439
              address(this)
440
          );
441
442
          // withdraw underlying from GVault
443
          uint256 underlying = vaultToken.redeem(
444
              vaultTokenBalance,
```

```
445
              address(this).
446
              address(this)
447
          );
448
449
          // remove liquidity from 3crv to get desired stable from curve
450
          threePool.remove_liquidity_one_coin(
451
              underlying,
452
              int128(uint128(_token_index)), //value should always be 0,1,2
453
454
          );
455
456
          ERC20 stableToken = ERC20(routerOracle.getToken(_token_index));
457
458
          amount = stableToken.balanceOf(address(this));
459
460
          if (amount < _minAmount) {</pre>
461
              revert Errors.LTMinAmountExpected();
462
          }
463
464
          // send stable to user
465
          stableToken.safeTransfer(msg.sender, amount);
466
467
          emit LogWithdrawal(msg.sender, _amount, _token_index, _tranche, amount);
468
       }
```

Figure 3.1: The withdrawFromTrancheForCaller function in GRouter.sol#L421-468

However, notice that during withdrawals the amount of stableTokens that will be transferred back to the user is a function of the current stableToken balance of the contract (see the highlighted line in figure 3.1). In the expected case, the balance should be only the tokens received from the threePool.remove\_liquidity\_one\_coin swap (see L450 in figure 3.1). However, a non-zero balance could also occur if a user airdrops some tokens or they transfer tokens by mistake instead of calling the expected deposit or withdraw functions. As long as the attacker has at least 1 wei of G3CRV to burn, they are capable of withdrawing the whole balance of stableToken from the contract, regardless of how much was received as part of the threePool swap. A similar situation can happen with deposits. A non-zero balance of G3CRV can be stolen as long as the attacker has at least 1 wei of either DAI, USDC, or USDT.

#### Fix Analysis

The issue is not resolved. The Growth Labs team has acknowledged the risk, saying: "We don't consider this an issue as it will have no impact on the underlying protocol, so no fix applied."

#### 4. Uninformative implementation of maxDeposit and maxMint from EIP-4626

Status: <b>Resolved</b>	
Severity: <b>Informational</b>	Difficulty: <b>High</b>
Type: Undefined Behavior	Finding ID: TOB-GRO-4
Target: GVault.sol	

#### **Description**

The GVault implementation of EIP-4626 is uninformative for maxDeposit and maxMint, as they return only fixed, extreme values.

EIP-4626 is a standard to implement tokenized vaults. In particular, the following is specified:

- maxDeposit: MUST factor in both global and user-specific limits, like if deposits are
  entirely disabled (even temporarily) it MUST return 0. MUST return 2 \*\* 256 1 if
  there is no limit on the maximum amount of assets that may be deposited.
- maxMint: MUST factor in both global and user-specific limits, like if mints are entirely disabled (even temporarily) it MUST return 0. MUST return 2 \*\* 256 1 if there is no limit on the maximum amount of assets that may be deposited.

The current implementation of maxDeposit and maxMint in the GVault contract directly return the maximum value of the uint256 type:

```
293
       /// @notice The maximum amount a user can deposit into the vault
294
       function maxDeposit(address)
295
          public
296
          pure
297
          override
         returns (uint256 maxAssets)
298
299
300
          return type(uint256).max;
301
       /// @notice maximum number of shares that can be minted
315
316
       function maxMint(address) public pure override returns (uint256 maxShares) {
317
          return type(uint256).max;
318
```

Figure 4.1: The maxDeposit and maxMint functions from GVault.sol

This implementation, however, does not provide any valuable information to the user and may lead to faulty integrations with third-party systems.

#### **Fix Analysis**

The issue is resolved. The functions were updated to return more meaningful values, instead of always returning the maximum uint256 value.

5. moveStrategy runs of out gas for large inputs	
Status: <b>Resolved</b>	
Severity: <b>Informational</b>	Difficulty: <b>High</b>
Type: Undefined Behavior	Finding ID: TOB-GRO-5
Target: GVault.sol	

#### **Description**

Reordering strategies can trigger operations that will run out-of-gas before completion.

A GVault contract allows different strategies to be added into a queue. Since the order of them is important, the contract provides moveStrategy, a function to let the owner to move a strategy to a certain position of the queue.

```
500
       /// @notice Move the strategy to a new position
501
       /// @param _strategy Target strategy to move
502
       /// @param _pos desired position of strategy
503
       /// @dev if the _pos value is >= number of strategies in the queue,
                the strategy will be moved to the tail position
504
505
       function moveStrategy(address _strategy, uint256 _pos) external onlyOwner {
506
          uint256 currentPos = getStrategyPositions(_strategy);
          uint256 _strategyId = strategyId[_strategy];
507
508
          if (currentPos > _pos)
509
              move(uint48(_strategyId), uint48(currentPos - _pos), false);
510
          else move(uint48(_strategyId), uint48(_pos - currentPos), true);
511
       }
```

Figure 5.1: The moveStrategy function from GVault.sol

The documentation states that if the position to move a certain strategy is larger than the number of strategies in the queue, then it will be moved to the tail of the queue. This implemented using the move function:

```
171
       /// @notice move a strategy to a new position in the queue
172
       /// @param _id id of strategy to move
173
       /// @param _steps number of steps to move the strategy
174
       /// @param _back move towards tail (true) or head (false)
       /// @dev Moves a strategy a given number of steps. If the number
175
176
                 of steps exceeds the position of the head/tail, the
177
                  strategy will take the place of the current head/tail
       ///
178
       function move(
179
          uint48 _id,
```

```
180
          uint48 _steps,
          bool _back
181
182
       ) internal {
183
          Strategy storage oldPos = nodes[_id];
          if (_steps == 0) return;
184
          if (oldPos.strategy == ZERO_ADDRESS) revert NoIdEntry(_id);
185
186
          uint48 _newPos = !_back ? oldPos.prev : oldPos.next;
187
          for (uint256 i = 1; i < _steps; i++) {</pre>
188
189
              _newPos = !_back ? nodes[_newPos].prev : nodes[_newPos].next;
190
          }
```

Figure 5.2: The header of the move function from StrategyQueue.sol

However, if a large number of steps is used, the loop will never finish without running out of gas.

A similar issue affects StrategyQueue.withdrawalQueue, if called directly.

#### Fix Analysis

The issue is resolved. The loop logic has been reordered to better handle moving a large number of steps.

# **6. GVault withdrawals from ConvexStrategy are vulnerable to sandwich attacks**

Status: Partially Resolved		
Severity: <b>Medium</b>	Difficulty: <b>High</b>	
Type: Timing	Finding ID: TOB-GRO-6	
Target: strategy/ConvexStrategy.sol		

#### **Description**

Token swaps that may be executed during vault withdrawals are vulnerable to sandwich attacks. Note that this is applicable only if a user withdraws directly from the GVault, not through the GRouter contract.

The ConvexStrategy contract performs token swaps through Uniswap V2, Uniswap V3, and Curve. All platforms allow the caller to specify the minimum-amount-out value, which indicates the minimum amount of tokens that a user wishes to receive from a swap. This provides protection against illiquid pools and sandwich attacks. Many of the swaps that the ConvexStrategy contract performs have the minimum-amount-out value hardcoded to zero. But a majority of these swaps can be triggered only by a Gelato keeper, which uses a private channel to relay all transactions. Thus, these swaps cannot be sandwiched.

However, this is not the case with the ConvexStrategy.withdraw function. The withdraw function will be called by the GVault contract if the GVault does not have enough tokens for a user withdrawal. If the balance is not sufficient, ConvexStrategy.withdraw will be called to retrieve additional assets to complete the withdrawal request. Note that the transaction to withdraw assets from the protocol will be visible in the public mempool (figure 6.1).

```
771
       function withdraw(uint256 _amount)
772
          returns (uint256 withdrawnAssets, uint256 loss)
773
774
775
          if (msg.sender != address(VAULT)) revert StrategyErrors.NotVault();
776
          (uint256 assets, uint256 balance, ) = _estimatedTotalAssets(false);
          // not enough assets to withdraw
777
778
          if (_amount >= assets) {
779
              balance += sellAllRewards();
780
              balance += divestAll(false);
781
              if (_amount > balance) {
782
                  loss = _amount - balance;
```

```
783
                   withdrawnAssets = balance;
784
              } else {
785
                  withdrawnAssets = _amount;
786
              }
787
          } else {
788
              // check if there is a loss, and distribute it proportionally
789
              // if it exists
790
              uint256 debt = VAULT.getStrategyDebt();
791
              if (debt > assets) {
792
                   loss = ((debt - assets) * _amount) / debt;
793
                   _amount = _amount - loss;
794
              }
              if (_amount <= balance) {</pre>
795
796
                  withdrawnAssets = _amount;
797
798
                  withdrawnAssets = divest(_amount - balance, false) + balance;
799
                   if (withdrawnAssets < _amount) {</pre>
                       loss += _amount - withdrawnAssets;
800
801
                   } else {
802
                       if (loss > withdrawnAssets - _amount) {
803
                           loss -= withdrawnAssets - _amount;
804
                       } else {
805
                           loss = 0;
806
807
                   }
808
              }
809
810
          ASSET.transfer(msg.sender, withdrawnAssets);
811
          return (withdrawnAssets, loss);
812
       }
```

Figure 6.1: The withdraw function in ConvexStrategy.sol#L771-812

In the situation where the \_amount that needs to be withdrawn is more than or equal to the total number of assets held by the contract, the withdraw function will call sellAllRewards and divestAll with \_slippage set to false (see the highlighted portion of figure 6.1). The sellAllRewards function, which will call \_sellRewards, sells all the additional reward tokens provided by Convex, its balance of CRV, and its balance of CVX for WETH. All these swaps have a hardcoded value of zero for the minimum-amount-out. Similarly, if \_slippage is set to false when calling divestAll, the swap specifies a minimum-amount-out of zero.

By specifying zero for all these token swaps, there is no guarantee that the protocol will receive any tokens back from the trade. For example, if one or more of these swaps get sandwiched during a call to withdraw, there is an increased risk of reporting a loss that will directly affect the amount the user is able to withdraw.

#### Fix Analysis

The issue is partially resolved. A minimum withdrawal amount was added as a parameter for withdrawals through the GVault contract to ensure users received the expected funds;

however, the internal calls to sellAllRewards and divestAll continue to not have slippage protection. According to the Growth Labs team: "This is known and intended, we don't want to stop user withdrawals and guarded in the GRouter. Additional information regarding this will be provided to the user, and an additional withdraw with slippage functionality was added to the GVault in [PR 153] to also provide protection for user's interactions with the vault."

7. Stop loss primer cannot be deactivated		
Status: <b>Resolved</b>		
Severity: <b>Medium</b>	Difficulty: <b>High</b>	
Type: Data Validation Finding ID: TOB-GRO-7		
Target: strategy/keeper/GStrategyResolver.sol		

#### **Description**

The stop loss primer cannot be deactivated because the keeper contract uses the incorrect function to check whether or not the meta pool has become healthy again.

The stop loss primer is activated if the meta pool that is being used for yield becomes unhealthy. A meta pool is unhealthy if the price of the 3CRV token deviates from the expected price for a set amount of time. The primer can also be deactivated if, after it has been activated, the price of the token stabilizes back to a healthy value. Deactivating the primer is a critical feature because if the pool becomes healthy again, there is no reason to divest all of the strategy's funds, take potential losses, and start all over again.

The GStrategyResolver contract, which is called by a Gelato keeper, will check to identify whether a primer can be deactivated. This is done via the taskStopStopLossPrimer function. The function will attempt to call the GStrategyGuard.endStopLoss function to see whether the primer can be deactivated (figure 7.1).

```
46
      function taskStopStopLossPrimer()
47
         external
48
         returns (bool canExec, bytes memory execPayload)
49
50
         IGStrategyGuard executor = IGStrategyGuard(stopLossExecutor);
51
         if (executor.endStopLoss()) {
52
53
             canExec = true;
             execPayload = abi.encodeWithSelector(
54
55
                 executor.stopStopLossPrimer.selector
56
             );
57
         }
      }
58
```

Figure 7.1: The taskStopStopLossPrimer function in GStrategyResolver.sol#L46-58

However, the GStrategyGuard contract does not have an endStopLoss function. Instead, it has a canEndStopLoss function. Note that the executor variable in

taskStopStopLossPrimer is expected to implement the IGStrategyGuard function, which does have an endStopLoss function. However, the GStrategyGuard contract implements the IGuard interface, which does not have the endStopLoss function. Thus, the call to endStopLoss will simply return, which is equivalent to returning false, and the primer will not be deactivated.

#### **Fix Analysis**

The issue is resolved. The contract now inherits from the correct interface, and the affected function now calls the correct function to deactivate the stop loss primer.

# 8. getYieldTokenAmount uses convertToAssets instead of convertToShares Status: Resolved Severity: Medium Difficulty: Low Type: Data Validation Finding ID: TOB-GRO-8 Target: GTranche.sol

#### **Description**

The getYieldTokenAmount function does not properly convert a 3CRV token amount into a G3CRV token amount, which may allow a user to withdraw more or less than expected or lead to imbalanced tranches after a migration.

The expected behavior of the getYieldTokenAmount function is to return the number of G3CRV tokens represented by a given 3CRV amount. For withdrawals, this will determine how many G3CRV tokens should be returned back to the GRouter contract. For migrations, the function is used to figure out how many G3CRV tokens should be allocated to the senior and junior tranches.

To convert a given amount of 3CRV to G3CRV, the GVault.convertToShares function should be used. However, the getYieldTokenAmount function uses the GVault.convertToAssets function (figure 8.1). Thus, getYieldTokenAmount takes an amount of 3CRV tokens and treats it as shares in the GVault, instead of assets.

```
function getYieldTokenAmount(uint256 _index, uint256 _amount)
internal
view
returns (uint256)

function getYieldTokenAmount(uint256 _index, uint256 _amount)
internal
view
return getYieldToken(_index).convertToAssets(_amount);
}
```

Figure 8.1: The getYieldTokenAmount function in GTranche.sol#L169-175

If the system is profitable, each G3CRV share should be worth more over time. Thus, getYieldTokenAmount will return a value larger than expected because one share is worth more than one asset. This allows a user to withdraw more from the GTranche contract than they should be able to. Additionally, a profitable system will cause the senior tranche to receive more G3CRV tokens than expected during migrations. A similar situation can happen if the system is not profitable.

#### Fix Analysis

The issue is resolved. The function was updated to use the correct value.

#### 9. convertToShares can be manipulated to block deposits

Status: <b>Resolved</b>		
Severity: <b>Medium</b>	Difficulty: <b>Medium</b>	
Type: Data Validation	Finding ID: TOB-GRO-9	
Target: GVault.sol		

#### **Description**

An attacker can block operations by using direct token transfers to manipulate convertToShares, which computes the amount of shares to deposit.

convertToShares is used in the GVault code to know how many shares correspond to certain amount of assets:

```
/// @notice Value of asset in shares
394
395
       /// @param _assets amount of asset to convert to shares
       function convertToShares(uint256 _assets)
396
397
          public
398
          view
399
          override
400
          returns (uint256 shares)
401
          uint256 freeFunds_ = _freeFunds(); // Saves an extra SLOAD if _freeFunds
402
is non-zero.
          return freeFunds_ == 0 ? _assets : (_assets * totalSupply) / freeFunds_;
403
404
       }
```

Figure 9.1: The convertToShares function in GVault.sol

This function relies on the \_freeFunds function to calculate the amount of shares:

```
706    /// @notice the number of total assets the GVault has excluding and profits
707    /// and losses
708    function _freeFunds() internal view returns (uint256) {
709        return _totalAssets() - _calculateLockedProfit();
710    }
```

Figure 9.2: The \_freeFunds function in GVault.sol

In the simplest case, \_calculateLockedProfit() can be assumed as zero if there is no locked profit. The \_totalAssets function is implemented as follows:

```
820  /// @notice Vault adapters total assets including loose assets and debts
821  /// @dev note that this does not consider estimated gains/losses from the
strategies
822  function _totalAssets() private view returns (uint256) {
823     return asset.balanceOf(address(this)) + vaultTotalDebt;
824 }
```

Figure 9.3: The \_totalAssets function in GVault.sol

However, the fact that \_totalAssets has a lower bound determined by asset.balanceOf(address(this)) can be exploited to manipulate the result by "donating" assets to the GVault address.

#### **Fix Analysis**

The issue is resolved. Additional internal bookkeeping was added to eliminate reliance on calls to balanceOf that could be manipulated and result in blocked deposits.

# 10. Harvest operation could be blocked if eligibility check on a strategy reverts Status: Partially Resolved Severity: Informational Difficulty: Medium Type: Denial of Service Finding ID: TOB-GRO-10 Target: contracts/strategy/keeper/GStrategyGuard.sol

#### **Description**

During harvest, if any of the strategies in the queue were to revert, it would prevent the loop from reaching the end of the queue and also block the entire harvest operation.

When the harvest function is executed, a loop iterates through each of the strategies in the strategies queue, and the canHarvest() check runs on each strategy to determine if it is eligible for harvesting; if it is, the harvest logic is executed on that strategy.

```
312
       /// @notice Execute strategy harvest
313
       function harvest() external {
          if (msg.sender != keeper) revert GuardErrors.NotKeeper();
314
315
          uint256 strategiesLength = strategies.length;
          for (uint256 i; i < strategiesLength; i++) {</pre>
316
317
              address strategy = strategies[i];
318
              if (strategy == address(0)) continue;
              if (IStrategy(strategy).canHarvest()) {
319
                  if (strategyCheck[strategy].active) {
320
321
                      IStrategy(strategy).runHarvest();
322
                      try IStrategy(strategy).runHarvest() {} catch Error(
           . . .
```

Figure 10.1: The harvest function in GStrategyGuard.sol

However, if the canHarvest() check on a particular strategy within the loop reverts, external calls from the canHarvest() function to check the status of rewards could also revert. Since the call to canHarvest() is not inside of a try block, this would prevent the loop from proceeding to the next strategy in the queue (if there is one) and would block the entire harvest operation.

Additionally, within the harvest function, the runHarvest function is called twice on a strategy on each iteration of the loop. This could lead to unnecessary waste of gas and possibly undefined behavior.

#### **Fix Analysis**

The issue is partially resolved. The redundant call to runHarvest has been removed. The Growth Labs teams acknowledged the risk, saying: "We don't consider a try-catch for a view being appropriate, considering that the view can be built in a way to ensure a true/false return value (i.e., it's the responsibility of the strategy to ensure that it returns the correct value)."

11. Incorrect rounding direction in GVault	
Status: <b>Resolved</b>	
Severity: <b>Medium</b>	Difficulty: <b>Low</b>
Type: Data Validation Finding ID: TOB-GRO-11	
Target: GVault.sol	

#### **Description**

The minting and withdrawal operations in the GVault use rounding in favor of the user instead of the protocol, giving away a small amount of shares or assets that can accumulate over time.

convertToShares is used in the GVault code to know how many shares correspond to a certain amount of assets:

```
/// @notice Value of asset in shares
394
395
        /// @param _assets amount of asset to convert to shares
396
        function convertToShares(uint256 _assets)
397
          public
398
          view
399
           override
400
           returns (uint256 shares)
401
402
          uint256 freeFunds_ = _freeFunds(); // Saves an extra SLOAD if _freeFunds
is non-zero.
403
           return freeFunds_ == 0 ? _assets : (_assets * totalSupply) / freeFunds_;
404
        }
```

Figure 11.1: The convertToShares function in GVault.sol

This function rounds down, providing slightly fewer shares than expected for some amount of assets.

Additionally, convertToAssets is used in the GVault code to know how many assets correspond to certain amount of shares:

```
406 /// @notice Value of shares in underlying asset
407 /// @param _shares amount of shares to convert to tokens
408 function convertToAssets(uint256 _shares)
409 public
410 view
```

```
411
          override
412
          returns (uint256 assets)
413
414
          uint256 _totalSupply = totalSupply; // Saves an extra SLOAD if
_totalSupply is non-zero.
        return
415
              _totalSupply == 0
416
417
                  ? _shares
                   : ((_shares * _freeFunds()) / _totalSupply);
418
419
       }
```

Figure 11.2: The convertToAssets function in GVault.sol

This function also rounds down, providing slightly fewer assets than expected for some amount of shares.

However, the mint function uses previewMint, which uses convertToAssets:

```
204
       function mint(uint256 _shares, address _receiver)
205
          external
206
          override
207
          nonReentrant
          returns (uint256 assets)
208
209
       {
          // Check for rounding error in previewMint.
210
211
          if ((assets = previewMint(_shares)) == 0) revert Errors.ZeroAssets();
212
213
          _mint(_receiver, _shares);
214
          asset.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(this), assets);
215
216
          emit Deposit(msg.sender, _receiver, assets, _shares);
217
218
219
          return assets;
220
       }
```

Figure 12.3: The mint function in GVault.sol

This means that the function favors the user, since they get some fixed amount of shares for a rounded-down amount of assets.

In a similar way, the withdraw function uses convertToShares:

```
function withdraw(
    uint256 _assets,
    address _receiver,
    address _owner

external override nonReentrant returns (uint256 shares) {
    if (_assets == 0) revert Errors.ZeroAssets();
}
```

```
shares = convertToShares(_assets);
234
235
236
           if (shares > balanceOf[_owner]) revert Errors.InsufficientShares();
237
238
           if (msg.sender != _owner) {
               uint256 allowed = allowance[_owner][msg.sender]; // Saves gas for
239
limited approvals.
240
241
               if (allowed != type(uint256).max)
242
                   allowance[_owner][msg.sender] = allowed - shares;
           }
243
244
           _assets = beforeWithdraw(_assets, asset);
245
246
247
           _burn(_owner, shares);
248
           asset.safeTransfer(_receiver, _assets);
249
250
           emit Withdraw(msg.sender, _receiver, _owner, _assets, shares);
251
252
253
           return shares;
254
        }
```

Figure 11.4: The withdraw function in GVault.sol

This means that the function favors the user, since they get some fixed amount of assets for a rounded-down amount of shares.

This issue should also be also considered when minting fees, since they should favor the protocol instead of the user or the strategy.

#### Fix Analysis

The issue is resolved. The arithmetic has been updated to use ceiling division to always favor the protocol when rounding.

#### 12. Protocol migration is vulnerable to front-running and a loss of funds

Status: <b>Resolved</b>	
Severity: <b>High</b>	Difficulty: <b>High</b>
Type: Timing	Finding ID: TOB-GRO-12
Target: GMigration.sol	

#### **Description**

The migration from Gro protocol to GSquared protocol can be front-run by manipulating the share price enough that the protocol loses a large amount of funds.

The GMigration contract is responsible for initiating the migration from Gro to GSquared. The GMigration.prepareMigration function will deposit liquidity into the three-pool and then attempt to deposit the 3CRV LP token into the GVault contract in exchange for G3CRV shares (figure 12.1). Note that this migration occurs on a newly deployed GVault contract that holds no assets and has no supply of shares.

```
61
         function prepareMigration(uint256 minAmountThreeCRV) external onlyOwner {
62
             if (!IsGTrancheSet) {
63
                 revert Errors.TrancheNotSet();
64
65
             // read senior tranche value before migration
66
67
             seniorTrancheDollarAmount = SeniorTranche(PWRD).totalAssets();
68
69
             uint256 DAI_BALANCE = ERC20(DAI).balanceOf(address(this));
70
             uint256 USDC_BALANCE = ERC20(USDC).balanceOf(address(this));
             uint256 USDT_BALANCE = ERC20(USDT).balanceOf(address(this));
71
72
73
             // approve three pool
74
             ERC20(DAI).safeApprove(THREE_POOL, DAI_BALANCE);
75
             ERC20(USDC).safeApprove(THREE_POOL, USDC_BALANCE);
76
             ERC20(USDT).safeApprove(THREE_POOL, USDT_BALANCE);
77
78
             // swap for 3crv
79
             IThreePool(THREE_POOL).add_liquidity(
80
                 [DAI_BALANCE, USDC_BALANCE, USDT_BALANCE],
                 minAmountThreeCRV
81
82
             ):
83
84
             //check 3crv amount received
85
             uint256 depositAmount = ERC20(THREE_POOL_TOKEN).balanceOf(
```

```
86
                 address(this)
             );
87
88
89
             // approve 3crv for GVault
             ERC20(THREE_POOL_TOKEN).safeApprove(address(gVault), depositAmount);
90
91
92
             // deposit into GVault
93
             uint256 shareAmount = gVault.deposit(depositAmount, address(this));
94
95
             // approve gVaultTokens for gTranche
             ERC20(address(gVault)).safeApprove(address(gTranche), shareAmount);
96
97
         }
      }
98
```

Figure 12.1: The prepareMigration function in GMigration.sol#L61-98

However, this prepareMigration function call is vulnerable to a share price inflation attack. As noted in this issue, the end result of the attack is that the shares (G3CRV) that the GMigration contract will receive can redeem only a portion of the assets that were originally deposited by GMigration into the GVault contract. This occurs because the first depositor in the GVault is capable of manipulating the share price significantly, which is compounded by the fact that the deposit function in GVault rounds in favor of the protocol due to a division in convertToShares (see TOB-GRO-11).

#### Fix Analysis

The issue is resolved. prepareMigration now takes an additional parameter to ensure users receive a minimum amount of shares from their deposit into the vault.

# 13. Incorrect slippage calculation performed during strategy investments and divestitures

Status: <b>Resolved</b>	
Severity: <b>Medium</b>	Difficulty: <b>Medium</b>
Type: Data Validation	Finding ID: TOB-GRO-13
Target: strategy/ConvexStrategy.sol	

#### **Description**

The incorrect arithmetic calculation for slippage tolerance during strategy investments and divestitures can lead to an increased rate of failed profit-and-loss (PnL) reports and withdrawals.

The ConvexStrategy contract is tasked with investing excess funds into a meta pool to obtain yield and divesting those funds from the pool whenever necessary. Investments are done via the invest function, and divestitures for a given amount are done via the divest function. Both functions have the ability to manage the amount of slippage that is allowed during the deposit and withdrawal from the meta pool. For example, in the divest function, the withdrawal will go through only if the amount of 3CRV tokens that will be transferred out from the pool (by burning meta pool tokens) is greater than or equal to the \_debt, the amount of 3CRV that needs to be transferred out from the pool, discounted by baseSlippage (figure 13.1). Thus, both sides of the comparison must have units of 3CRV.

```
883
       function divest(uint256 _debt, bool _slippage) internal returns (uint256) {
884
          uint256 meta_amount = ICurveMeta(metaPool).calc_token_amount(
885
              [0, _debt],
              false
886
887
          );
888
          if (_slippage) {
889
              uint256 ratio = curveValue();
              if (
890
                   (meta_amount * PERCENTAGE_DECIMAL_FACTOR) / ratio <</pre>
891
892
                  ((_debt * (PERCENTAGE_DECIMAL_FACTOR - baseSlippage)) /
893
                       PERCENTAGE_DECIMAL_FACTOR)
894
                  revert StrategyErrors.LTMinAmountExpected();
895
896
897
898
          Rewards(rewardContract).withdrawAndUnwrap(meta_amount, false);
899
900
              ICurveMeta(metaPool).remove_liquidity_one_coin(
```

```
901 meta_amount,

902 CRV3_INDEX,

903 0

904 );

905 }
```

Figure 13.1: The divest function in ConvexStrategy.sol#L883-905

To calculate the value of a meta pool token (mpLP) in terms of 3CRV, the curveValue function is called (figure 13.2). The units of the return value, ratio, are 3CRV/mpLP.

```
function curveValue() internal view returns (uint256) {
   uint256 three_pool_vp = ICurve3Pool(CRV_3POOL).get_virtual_price();
   uint256 meta_pool_vp = ICurve3Pool(metaPool).get_virtual_price();
   uint256 meta_pool_vp * PERCENTAGE_DECIMAL_FACTOR) / three_pool_vp;
   return (meta_pool_vp * PERCENTAGE_DECIMAL_FACTOR) / three_pool_vp;
}
```

Figure 13.2: The curveValue function in ConvexStrategy.sol#L1170-1174

However, note that in figure 13.1, meta\_amount value, which is the amount of mpLP tokens that need to be burned, is divided by ratio. From a unit perspective, this is multiplying an mpLP amount by a mpLP/3CRV ratio. The resultant units are not 3CRV. Instead, the arithmetic should be meta\_amount multiplied by ratio. This would be mpLP times 3CRV/mpLP, which would result in the final units of 3CRV.

Assuming 3CRV/mpLP is greater than one, the division instead of multiplication will result in a smaller value, which increases the likelihood that the slippage tolerance is not met. The invest and divest functions are called during PnL reporting and withdrawals. If there is a higher risk for the functions to revert because the slippage tolerance is not met, the likelihood of failed PnL reports and withdrawals also increases.

#### **Fix Analysis**

The issue is resolved. The order of the terms in the arithmetic has been corrected.

14. Potential division by zero in _calcTrancheValue	
Status: <b>Resolved</b>	
Severity: <b>Informational</b>	Difficulty: <b>High</b>
Type: Data Validation	Finding ID: TOB-GRO-14
Target: GTranche.sol	

#### **Description**

Junior tranche withdrawals may fail due to an unexpected division by zero error.

One of the key steps performed during junior tranche withdrawals is to identify the dollar value of the tranche tokens that will be burned by calling \_calcTrancheValue (figure 14.1).

```
559
       function _calcTrancheValue(
560
         bool _tranche,
561
         uint256 _amount,
562
         uint256 total
563
       ) public view returns (uint256) {
564
          uint256 factor = getTrancheToken(_tranche).factor(_total);
565
          uint256 amount = (_amount * DEFAULT_FACTOR) / factor;
566
          if (amount > _total) return _total;
567
          return amount;
568
       }
```

Figure 14.1: The \_calcTrancheValue function in GTranche.sol#L559-568

To calculate the dollar value, the factor function is called to identify how many tokens represent one dollar. The dollar value, amount, is then the token amount provided, \_amount, divided by factor.

However, an edge case in the factor function will occur if the total supply of tranche tokens (junior or senior) is non-zero while the amount of assets backing those tokens is zero. Practically, this can happen only if the system is exposed to a loss large enough that the assets backing the junior tranche tokens are completely wiped. In this edge case, the factor function returns zero (figure 14.2). The subsequent division by zero in \_calcTrancheValue will cause the transaction to revert.

```
525 function factor(uint256 _totalAssets)
526 public
```

```
527
           view
528
           override
529
           returns (uint256)
530
           if (totalSupplyBase() == 0) {
531
532
               return getInitialBase();
533
           }
534
535
           if (_totalAssets > 0) {
536
               return totalSupplyBase().mul(BASE).div(_totalAssets);
537
           }
538
           // This case is totalSupply > 0 && totalAssets == 0, and only occurs on
539
system loss
540
           return 0;
541
        }
```

Figure 14.2: The factor function in GToken. sol#L525-541

It is important to note that if the system enters a state where there are no assets backing the junior tranche, junior tranche token holders would be unable to withdraw anyway. However, this division by zero should be caught in \_calcTrancheValue, and the requisite error code should be thrown.

#### **Fix Analysis**

The issue is resolved. The tranche value calculation has been updated to check for a non-zero factor and return a custom error in the event that factor is zero.

# 15. Token withdrawals from GTranche are sent to the incorrect address Status: Resolved Severity: Informational Difficulty: Low Type: Data Validation Finding ID: TOB-GRO-15 Target: GTranche . so1

#### **Description**

The GTranche withdrawal function takes in a \_recipient address to send the G3CRV shares to, but instead sends those shares to msg.sender (figure 15.1).

```
212
       function withdraw(
213
         uint256 _amount,
214
          uint256 _index,
215
          bool _tranche,
          address _recipient
216
217
       )
218
          external
219
          override
220
          returns (uint256 yieldTokenAmounts, uint256 calcAmount)
221
       {
          [...]
245
246
          trancheToken.burn(msg.sender, factor, calcAmount);
247
          token.transfer(msg.sender, yieldTokenAmounts);
248
249
          emit LogNewWithdrawal(
250
              msg.sender,
251
              _recipient,
252
              _amount,
253
              _index,
              _tranche,
254
255
              yieldTokenAmounts,
256
              calcAmount
257
          );
          return (yieldTokenAmounts, calcAmount);
258
259
       }
```

Figure 15.1: The withdraw function in GTranche. sol#L219-259

Since GTranche withdrawals are performed by the GRouter contract on behalf of the user, the msg.sender and \_recipient address are the same. However, a direct call to GTranche.withdraw by a user could lead to unexpected consequences.

#### Fix Analysis

The issue is resolved. withdraw was updated to send tokens to the intended recipient instead of msg.sender.

16. Solidity compiler optimizations can be problematic	
Status: <b>Unresolved</b>	
Severity: <b>Informational</b>	Difficulty: <b>High</b>
Type: Undefined Behavior Finding ID: TOB-GRO-16	
Target: GSquared Protocol	

#### **Description**

The GSquared Protocol contracts have enabled optional compiler optimizations in Solidity.

There have been several optimization bugs with security implications. Moreover, optimizations are actively being developed. Solidity compiler optimizations are disabled by default, and it is unclear how many contracts in the wild actually use them. Therefore, it is unclear how well they are being tested and exercised.

Security issues due to optimization bugs have occurred in the past. A medium- to high-severity bug in the Yul optimizer was introduced in Solidity version 0.8.13 and was fixed only recently, in Solidity version 0.8.17. Another medium-severity optimization bug—one that caused memory writes in inline assembly blocks to be removed under certain conditions— was patched in Solidity 0.8.15.

A compiler audit of Solidity from November 2018 concluded that the optional optimizations may not be safe.

It is likely that there are latent bugs related to optimization and that new bugs will be introduced due to future optimizations.

#### Fix Analysis

The issue is not resolved. The Growth Labs team acknowledged the issue and accepted the risk.

# A. Status Categories

The following table describes the statuses used to indicate whether an issue has been sufficiently addressed.

Fix Status	
Status	Description
Undetermined	The status of the issue was not determined during this engagement.
Unresolved	The issue persists and has not been resolved.
Partially Resolved	The issue persists but has been partially resolved.
Resolved	The issue has been sufficiently resolved.

# **B. Vulnerability Categories**

The following tables describe the vulnerability categories, severity levels, and difficulty levels used in this document.

Vulnerability Categories	
Category	Description
Access Controls	Insufficient authorization or assessment of rights
Auditing and Logging	Insufficient auditing of actions or logging of problems
Authentication	Improper identification of users
Configuration	Misconfigured servers, devices, or software components
Cryptography	A breach of system confidentiality or integrity
Data Exposure	Exposure of sensitive information
Data Validation	Improper reliance on the structure or values of data
Denial of Service	A system failure with an availability impact
Error Reporting	Insecure or insufficient reporting of error conditions
Patching	Use of an outdated software package or library
Session Management	Improper identification of authenticated users
Testing	Insufficient test methodology or test coverage
Timing	Race conditions or other order-of-operations flaws
Undefined Behavior	Undefined behavior triggered within the system

Severity Levels	
Severity	Description
Informational	The issue does not pose an immediate risk but is relevant to security best practices.
Undetermined	The extent of the risk was not determined during this engagement.
Low	The risk is small or is not one the client has indicated is important.
Medium	User information is at risk; exploitation could pose reputational, legal, or moderate financial risks.
High	The flaw could affect numerous users and have serious reputational, legal, or financial implications.

Difficulty Levels	
Difficulty	Description
Undetermined	The difficulty of exploitation was not determined during this engagement.
Low	The flaw is well known; public tools for its exploitation exist or can be scripted.
Medium	An attacker must write an exploit or will need in-depth knowledge of the system.
High	An attacker must have privileged access to the system, may need to know complex technical details, or must discover other weaknesses to exploit this issue.