

# SMART CONTRACT AUDIT REPORT

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# 1 Introduction

Given the opportunity to review the Unlimited Leverage design document and related smart contract source code, we outline in the report our systematic approach to evaluate potential security issues in the smart contract implementation, expose possible semantic inconsistencies between smart contract code and design document, and provide additional suggestions or recommendations for improvement. Our results show that the given version of smart contracts can be further improved due to the presence of several issues related to either security or performance. This document outlines our audit results.

### 1.1 About Unlimited Leverage

Unlimited Leverage is a synthetic cryptocurrency trading platform, where users can trade across a range of cryptocurrencies and blockchain networks. The protocol offers zero price impact and minimal slippage during trading, as well as up to 100x leverage. This leverage enables users to place up to 100X more value into trades than would otherwise be possible. The basic information of Unlimited Leverage is as follows:

Item Description

Issuer Solidant

Type Smart Contract

Platform Solidity

Audit Method Whitebox

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Table 1.1: Basic Information of Unlimited Leverage

In the following, we show the Git repository of reviewed files and the commit hash value used in this audit:

https://github.com/solidant/unlimited-contracts (cc0dc1f)

And this is the commit ID after all fixes for the issues found in the audit have been checked in:

https://github.com/solidant/unlimited-contracts (a9639b7)

#### 1.2 About PeckShield

PeckShield Inc. [13] is a leading blockchain security company with the goal of elevating the security, privacy, and usability of current blockchain ecosystems by offering top-notch, industry-leading services and products (including the service of smart contract auditing). We are reachable at Telegram (https://t.me/peckshield), Twitter (http://twitter.com/peckshield), or Email (contact@peckshield.com).

High Critical High Medium

High Medium

Low

Medium Low

High Medium

Low

High Medium

Low

Likelihood

Table 1.2: Vulnerability Severity Classification

## 1.3 Methodology

To standardize the evaluation, we define the following terminology based on the OWASP Risk Rating Methodology [12]:

- <u>Likelihood</u> represents how likely a particular vulnerability is to be uncovered and exploited in the wild;
- Impact measures the technical loss and business damage of a successful attack;
- Severity demonstrates the overall criticality of the risk.

Likelihood and impact are categorized into three ratings: *H*, *M* and *L*, i.e., *high*, *medium* and *low* respectively. Severity is determined by likelihood and impact and can be classified into four categories accordingly, i.e., *Critical*, *High*, *Medium*, *Low* shown in Table 1.2.

To evaluate the risk, we go through a checklist of items and each would be labeled with a severity category. For one check item, if our tool or analysis does not identify any issue, the contract is considered safe regarding the check item. For any discovered issue, we might further deploy

Table 1.3: The Full Audit Checklist

Category	Checklist Items		
	Constructor Mismatch		
	Ownership Takeover		
	Redundant Fallback Function		
	Overflows & Underflows		
	Reentrancy		
	Money-Giving Bug		
	Blackhole		
	Unauthorized Self-Destruct		
Basic Coding Bugs	Revert DoS		
Dasic Couling Dugs	Unchecked External Call		
	Gasless Send		
	Send Instead Of Transfer		
	Costly Loop		
	(Unsafe) Use Of Untrusted Libraries		
	(Unsafe) Use Of Predictable Variables		
	Transaction Ordering Dependence		
	Deprecated Uses		
Semantic Consistency Checks	Semantic Consistency Checks		
	Business Logics Review		
	Functionality Checks		
	Authentication Management		
	Access Control & Authorization		
	Oracle Security		
Advanced DeFi Scrutiny	Digital Asset Escrow		
rataneed Deri Geraemi,	Kill-Switch Mechanism		
	Operation Trails & Event Generation		
	ERC20 Idiosyncrasies Handling		
	Frontend-Contract Integration		
	Deployment Consistency		
	Holistic Risk Management		
	Avoiding Use of Variadic Byte Array		
	Using Fixed Compiler Version		
Additional Recommendations	Making Visibility Level Explicit		
	Making Type Inference Explicit		
	Adhering To Function Declaration Strictly		
	Following Other Best Practices		

contracts on our private testnet and run tests to confirm the findings. If necessary, we would additionally build a PoC to demonstrate the possibility of exploitation. The concrete list of check items is shown in Table 1.3.

In particular, we perform the audit according to the following procedure:

- <u>Basic Coding Bugs</u>: We first statically analyze given smart contracts with our proprietary static code analyzer for known coding bugs, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) all the issues found by our tool.
- <u>Semantic Consistency Checks</u>: We then manually check the logic of implemented smart contracts and compare with the description in the white paper.
- Advanced DeFi Scrutiny: We further review business logics, examine system operations, and place DeFi-related aspects under scrutiny to uncover possible pitfalls and/or bugs.
- Additional Recommendations: We also provide additional suggestions regarding the coding and development of smart contracts from the perspective of proven programming practices.

To better describe each issue we identified, we categorize the findings with Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE-699) [11], which is a community-developed list of software weakness types to better delineate and organize weaknesses around concepts frequently encountered in software development. Though some categories used in CWE-699 may not be relevant in smart contracts, we use the CWE categories in Table 1.4 to classify our findings. Moreover, in case there is an issue that may affect an active protocol that has been deployed, the public version of this report may omit such issue, but will be amended with full details right after the affected protocol is upgraded with respective fixes.

#### 1.4 Disclaimer

Note that this security audit is not designed to replace functional tests required before any software release, and does not give any warranties on finding all possible security issues of the given smart contract(s) or blockchain software, i.e., the evaluation result does not guarantee the nonexistence of any further findings of security issues. As one audit-based assessment cannot be considered comprehensive, we always recommend proceeding with several independent audits and a public bug bounty program to ensure the security of smart contract(s). Last but not least, this security audit should not be used as investment advice.

Table 1.4: Common Weakness Enumeration (CWE) Classifications Used in This Audit

Category	Summary		
Configuration	Weaknesses in this category are typically introduced during		
	the configuration of the software.		
Data Processing Issues	Weaknesses in this category are typically found in functional-		
	ity that processes data.		
Numeric Errors	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper calcula-		
	tion or conversion of numbers.		
Security Features	Weaknesses in this category are concerned with topics like		
	authentication, access control, confidentiality, cryptography,		
	and privilege management. (Software security is not security		
	software.)		
Time and State	Weaknesses in this category are related to the improper man-		
	agement of time and state in an environment that supports		
	simultaneous or near-simultaneous computation by multiple		
	systems, processes, or threads.		
Error Conditions,	Weaknesses in this category include weaknesses that occur if		
Return Values,	a function does not generate the correct return/status code,		
Status Codes	or if the application does not handle all possible return/status		
	codes that could be generated by a function.		
Resource Management	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper manage-		
	ment of system resources.		
Behavioral Issues	Weaknesses in this category are related to unexpected behav-		
	iors from code that an application uses.		
Business Logic	Weaknesses in this category identify some of the underlying		
	problems that commonly allow attackers to manipulate the		
	business logic of an application. Errors in business logic can		
	be devastating to an entire application.		
Initialization and Cleanup	Weaknesses in this category occur in behaviors that are used		
A	for initialization and breakdown.		
Arguments and Parameters	Weaknesses in this category are related to improper use of		
Evenuesian legues	arguments or parameters within function calls.		
Expression Issues	Weaknesses in this category are related to incorrectly written		
Cadina Duantia	expressions within code.		
Coding Practices	Weaknesses in this category are related to coding practices that are deemed unsafe and increase the chances that an ex-		
	ploitable vulnerability will be present in the application. They		
	may not directly introduce a vulnerability, but indicate the		
	product has not been carefully developed or maintained.		

# 2 | Findings

## 2.1 Summary

Here is a summary of our findings after analyzing the implementation of the Unlimited Leverage protocol. During the first phase of our audit, we study the smart contract source code and run our in-house static code analyzer through the codebase. The purpose here is to statically identify known coding bugs, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) issues reported by our tool. We further manually review business logic, examine system operations, and place DeFi-related aspects under scrutiny to uncover possible pitfalls and/or bugs.

Severity	# of Findings		
Critical	1		
High	1		
Medium	1		
Low	1		
Informational	2		
Undetermined	1		
Total	7		

We have so far identified a list of potential issues: some of them involve subtle corner cases that might not be previously thought of, while others refer to unusual interactions among multiple contracts. For each uncovered issue, we have therefore developed test cases for reasoning, reproduction, and/or verification. After further analysis and internal discussion, we determined a few issues of varying severities need to be brought up and paid more attention to, which are categorized in the above table. More information can be found in the next subsection, and the detailed discussions of each of them are in Section 3.

## 2.2 Key Findings

Overall, these smart contracts are well-designed and engineered, though the implementation can be improved by resolving the identified issues (shown in Table 2.1), including 1 critical-severity vulnerability, 1 high-severity vulnerability, 1 medium-severity vulnerability, 1 low-severity vulnerability, 2 informational recommendations, and 1 undetermined issue.

ID	Severity	Title	Category	Status
PVE-001	High	Exposure Of Permissioned UserMan-	Security Features	Fixed
		ager::setUserReferrer()		
PVE-002	Critical	Improved Logic of openPositionViaSig-	Business Logic	Fixed
		nature()		
PVE-003	Low	Missing Validation for Value Of tar-	Coding Practices	Fixed
		getLeverage_		
PVE-004	Medium	Trust Issue of Admin Keys	Security Features	Mitigated
PVE-005	Informational	Generation of Meaningful Events For	Coding Practices	Fixed
		Important State Changes		
PVE-006	Informational	Redundant Code Removal	Coding Practices	Fixed
PVE-007	Undetermined	Potential Protocol Risk from Low-	Security Features	Mitigated
		Liquidity Assets		

Table 2.1: Key Audit Findings of Unlimited Leverage

Beside the identified issues, we emphasize that for any user-facing applications and services, it is always important to develop necessary risk-control mechanisms and make contingency plans, which may need to be exercised before the mainnet deployment. The risk-control mechanisms should kick in at the very moment when the contracts are being deployed on mainnet. Please refer to Section 3 for details.

# 3 Detailed Results

# 3.1 Exposure Of Permissioned UserManager::setUserReferrer()

• ID: PVE-001

Severity: HighLikelihood: High

• Impact: Medium

• Target: UserManager

• Category: Security Features [8]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-287 [3]

#### Description

The Unlimited Leverage protocol has the UserManager contract to keep track of daily and monthly trading volume of users and accordingly facilitate the calculation of user fee. It also provides corresponding setter functions. By design, these setter functions need to be guarded to prevent unauthorized changes.

When examining these setter functions, we notice the presence of a specific routine, i.e., setUserReferrer(). As the name indicates, this routine is used to set the referrer of the user. To elaborate, we show below the code snippet of this function.

```
116
         function setUserReferrer(address user_, address referrer_) external {
117
             require(user_ != referrer_, "UserManager::setUserReferrer: User cannot be
118
             if (_userReferrer[user_] == address(0)) {
119
                 if (referrer_ == address(0)) {
120
                     _userReferrer[user_] = NO_REFERRER_ADDRESS;
121
122
                     _userReferrer[user_] = referrer_;
123
125
                 emit UserReferrerAdded(user_, referrer_);
126
             }
127
```

Listing 3.1: UserManager::setUserReferrer()

However, we notice that this routine is currently permissionless, which means it can be invoked by anyone to set the referrer of the user. Also, the referrer can only be set once. A bad actor could monitor the open position transaction from memory pool and front run the transaction to set the user referrer to his own address. To fix this issue, the permissionless function needs to be changed to be permissioned such that only the intended pair contract is allowed to successfully invoke it.

Recommendation Add the onlyValidTradePair(msg.sender) modifier to the above setUserReferrer () function.

Status This issue has been fixed in the following commit: c571c9a.

## 3.2 Improved Logic of openPositionViaSignature()

• ID: PVE-002

Severity: Critical

Likelihood: High

• Impact: High

• Target: TradeManagerOrders

• Category: Business Logic [10]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-841 [7]

#### Description

In the Unlimited Leverage protocol, there are two types of trading methods. One is to interact directly with the contract from the order maker. The other is to authorize trades by signing an order by the order maker. When reviewing the second method, we found there is a logical issue. To elaborate, we show below the related <code>openPositionViaSignature()</code> routine as an example.

```
39
       function openPositionViaSignature(
40
            OpenPositionOrder calldata order_,
            UpdateData[] calldata updateData_,
41
42
            address maker_,
43
            bytes calldata signature_
44
       ) external onlyActiveTradePair(order_.params.tradePair) returns (uint256) {
45
            _updateContracts(updateData_);
46
            _processSignature(order_, maker_, signature_);
47
            _verifyConstraints(
48
                order_.params.tradePair, order_.constraints, order_.params.isShort ?
                    UsePrice.MAX : UsePrice.MIN
49
           );
50
            uint256 positionId = _openPosition(order_.params);
51
52
            sigHashToTradeId[keccak256(signature_)] = TradeId(order_.params.tradePair,
                uint96(positionId));
53
54
            emit OpenedPositionViaSignature(order_.params.tradePair, positionId, signature_)
```

```
56
            return positionId;
57
58
59
60
        function _openPosition(OpenPositionParams memory params_) internal returns (uint256)
61
            ITradePair(params_.tradePair).collateral().safeTransferFrom(
62
                msg.sender, address(params_.tradePair), params_.margin
            );
63
64
65
            userManager.setUserReferrer(msg.sender, params_.referrer);
66
67
            uint256 id = ITradePair(params_.tradePair).openPosition(
68
                msg.sender, params_.margin, params_.leverage, params_.isShort, params_.
                    whitelabelAddress
69
            );
70
71
            emit PositionOpened(params_.tradePair, id);
72
73
            return id;
```

Listing 3.2: TradeManagerOrders::openPositionViaSignature()

It comes to our attention that the \_processSignature() routine validates the order signed by the maker. However, the \_openPosition() routine does not take funds from the maker. Instead, it transfers funds from the msg.sender, which will not work as expected.

**Recommendation** Revise the related routines to transfer funds from maker rather than msg. sender.

Status This issue has been fixed in the following commit: c2b2408.

## 3.3 Missing Validation for Value Of targetLeverage

• ID: PVE-003

Severity: Low

Likelihood: Low

• Impact: Low

• Target: TradePair

• Category: Coding Practices [9]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-628 [5]

#### Description

In the TradePair contract, the extendPositionToLeverage() function is used to extend loan positions to target an intended leverage in respect to LEVERAGE\_MULTIPLIER. To elaborate, we show below the related code snippet.

```
432
         function extendPositionToLeverage(address maker_, uint256 positionId_, uint256
             targetLeverage_)
433
             external
434
             onlyTradeManager
435
             verifyOwner(maker_, positionId_)
436
             syncFeesBefore
437
             updatePositionFees(positionId_)
438
             onlyValidAlteration(positionId_)
439
             checkSizeLimitAfter
440
441
             _extendPositionToLeverage(positionId_, targetLeverage_);
442
```

Listing 3.3: TradePair::extendPositionToLeverage()

We notice that this function has an assumption that targetLeverage\_ is less than maxLeverage. However, there is no actual enforcement of this assumption in current implementation. If an invalid targetLeverage\_ is added, it may cause unexpected behaviors and affect users' loan positions.

**Recommendation** Add the requirement of \_verifyLeverage(targetLeverage\_) in TradePair:: extendPositionToLeverage().

**Status** This issue has been fixed in the following commit: 95378c7.

#### 3.4 Trust Issue of Admin Keys

• ID: PVE-004

Severity: Medium

Likelihood: Medium

• Impact: High

• Target: Multiple Contracts

• Category: Security Features [8]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-287 [3]

#### Description

In the Unlimited Leverage protocol, there is a special administrative account, i.e., owner. This owner account plays a critical role in governing and regulating the protocol-wide operations (e.g., parameters setting). It also has the privilege to control or govern the flow of assets managed by this protocol. Our analysis shows that the privileged account needs to be scrutinized. In the following, we examine the privileged owner account and its related privileged accesses in current contract.

To elaborate, we show the related routines from the Controller contract. These routines allow the owner account to configure parameters like isPriceFeed and isLiquidityPoolAdapter, which play important role for configuring oracle prices/holding user funds.

```
function addPriceFeed(address priceFeed_) external onlyOwner onlyNonZeroAddress(
priceFeed_) {
```

```
16
            isPriceFeed[priceFeed_] = true;
18
            emit PriceFeedAdded(priceFeed_);
19
21
        function addLiquidityPoolAdapter(address liquidityPoolAdapter_)
22
            external
23
            onlyOwner
24
            onlyNonZeroAddress(liquidityPoolAdapter_)
25
26
            isLiquidityPoolAdapter[liquidityPoolAdapter_] = true;
28
            emit LiquidityPoolAdapterAdded(liquidityPoolAdapter_);
29
```

Listing 3.4: Admin Controlled Routines

We understand the need of the privileged functions for contract maintenance, but it is worrisome if the privileged owner account is a plain EOA account. Note that a multi-sig account could greatly alleviate this concern, though it is still far from perfect. Specifically, a better approach is to eliminate the administration key concern by transferring the role to a community-governed DAO.

**Recommendation** Promptly transfer the privileged account to the intended DAO-like governance contract. All changed to privileged operations may need to be mediated with necessary timelocks. Eventually, activate the normal on-chain community-based governance life-cycle and ensure the intended trustless nature and high-quality distributed governance.

**Status** This issue has been confirmed. The team clarifies the project will be deployed with a multi-signature account scheme for the owner, likely Gnosis Safe. Furthermore, all admin functionality will eventually be behind a timelock, ensuring that any potential unauthorized actions can be inspected before execution.

# 3.5 Generation of Meaningful Events For Important State Changes

• ID: PVE-005

Severity: Informational

Likelihood: N/A

Impact: N/A

• Target: Controller

• Category: Coding Practices [9]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-1126 [2]

#### Description

In Ethereum, the event is an indispensable part of a contract and is mainly used to record a variety of runtime dynamics. In particular, when an event is emitted, it stores the arguments passed in transaction logs and these logs are made accessible to external analytics and reporting tools. Events can be emitted in a number of scenarios. One particular case is when system-wide parameters or settings are being changed. Another case is when tokens are being minted, transferred, or burned.

In the following, we use the <code>Controller</code> contract as an example. This contract has several privileged functions that are used to configure various system parameters. While examining the events that reflect their changes, we notice there is a lack of emitting important events that reflect important state changes. For example, when the <code>isSigner</code> map is updated, there is no respective event being emitted (line 217 and 225)

```
212
213
          * Onotice Function to add a valid signer
214
          * Oparam signer_ address of the signer
215
216
        function addSigner(address signer_) external onlyOwner {
217
             isSigner[signer_] = true;
218
220
221
         * @notice Function to remove a valid signer
222
         * Oparam signer_ address of the signer
223
224
        function removeSigner(address signer_) external onlyOwner {
225
             isSigner[signer_] = false;
226
```

Listing 3.5: Controller::addSigner()/removeSigner()

Recommendation Properly emit respective events when important states are updated.

Status This issue has been fixed in the following commit: 8acdea5.

#### 3.6 Redundant Code Removal

• ID: PVE-006

• Severity: Informational

Likelihood: N/A

• Impact: N/A

• Target: TradePair

• Category: Coding Practices [9]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-563 [4]

#### Description

The Unlimited Leverage protocol makes good use of a number of reference contracts, such as SafeERC20, OwnableUpgradeable, and Initializable, to facilitate its code implementation and organization. For example, the TradePair contract has so far imported at least three reference contracts. However, we observe the inclusion of certain unused code or the presence of unnecessary redundancies that can be safely removed.

For example, if we examine closely the \_extendPosition() function in the TradePair contract, this function makes a redundant requirement of verifyLeverage() with extendPosition().

```
380
        function extendPosition(address maker_, uint256 positionId_, uint256 addedMargin_,
            uint256 addedLeverage_)
381
             external
382
            onlyTradeManager
383
             verifyOwner(maker_, positionId_)
384
             verifyLeverage(addedLeverage_)
385
             syncFeesBefore
386
             updatePositionFees(positionId_)
387
             onlyValidAlteration(positionId_)
388
             checkSizeLimitAfter
389
        {
390
             _extendPosition(maker_, positionId_, addedMargin_, addedLeverage_);
391
        }
393
394
         * Cnotice Should have received margin from TradeManager
395
          * @dev extendPosition simply "adds" a "new" position on top of the existing
             position. The two positions get merged.
396
397
        function _extendPosition(address maker_, uint256 positionId_, uint256 addedMargin_,
            uint256 addedLeverage_)
398
            private
399
            verifyLeverage(addedLeverage_)
400
        {
401
            Position storage position = positions[positionId_];
402
403
```

Listing 3.6: TradePair::extendPosition()

**Recommendation** Consider the removal of the redundant code with a simplified, consistent implementation.

Status This issue has been fixed in the following commit: 99f7a7e.

## 3.7 Potential Protocol Risk from Low-Liquidity Assets

• ID: PVE-007

• Severity: Undetermined

• Likelihood: N/A

• Impact: N/A

• Target: Unlimited Leverage Protocol

• Category: Security Features [8]

• CWE subcategory: CWE-654 [6]

#### Description

With the occurrence of the Mango Market Incident on Solana, the risk of liquidity attacks on leverage platforms attracts much attention from the DeFi community. In the following, we give one possible attack vector to illustrate the risk. The malicious actor temporarily raises up the collateral value, and then takes massive loans from the Mango treasury.

To elaborate, the malicious actor firstly supplies \$5M stablecoins as collateral (Step I), secondly buys \$483M short MNGO perp (Step II) and sells it to another self-funded accountB at the price of 0.0382. By manipulating the MNGO price to 0.91 (Step III), accountB finally is in the profit of 483 m \* (\$0.91 - \$0.0382)= \$423m and leaves the Mango market with bad debt. Tweet [1] shows more details.

**Recommendation** Remove the low-liquidity assets from Unlimited Leverage to avoid the above risk of market manipulation.

Status The issue has been confirmed by the team. The team clarifies that they are aware of the risk of external price manipulation and implemented following measures to mitigate the risk. First and foremost it uses three different liquidity pools with different risk levels (blue chip, altcoins, degen coins). So liquidity providers can choose the bluechip pool when they want to limit their risk in general. Second, each TradePair has a maximum volume, that will be set lower than the current and a realistic volatility-affected liquidity of the underlying asset. This prevents positions to be higher than the amount of a token needed for price manipulation. Further, Unlimited Leverage limits the payout (maximum profit) of one position to a certain percentage of the liquidity pools, which prevents single trades from draining the liquidity pool. In addition to that, Unlimited Leverage uses a min/max price pair for buy/sell actions to implement a price slippage and deducts open and close position fees to decrease arbitrage opportunities in general.

# 4 Conclusion

In this audit, we have analyzed the Unlimited Leverage design and implementation. Unlimited Leverage is a synthetic cryptocurrency trading platform, where user can trade across a range of cryptocurrencies and blockchain networks. The current code base is well structured and neatly organized. Those identified issues are promptly confirmed and addressed.

Meanwhile, we need to emphasize that Solidity-based smart contracts as a whole are still in an early, but exciting stage of development. To improve this report, we greatly appreciate any constructive feedbacks or suggestions, on our methodology, audit findings, or potential gaps in scope/coverage.



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