Code Assessment

of the Mellow Vaults Smart Contracts

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1 Executive Summary

Dear Mellow team,

Thank you for trusting us to help Mellow Finance with this code assessment. Our executive summary provides an overview of subjects covered in our code assessment of the latest reviewed contracts of Mellow Vaults according to Scope to support you in forming an opinion on their security risks.

Mellow Finance implements an investment protocol that pools investors funds and manages these funds according to an investment strategy smart contract.

We value the very good and professional communication with the Mellow team and the quick response time. In the initial review and the following iterations, we uncovered an unusual number of issues with many high severity issues. Many of these issues would have been caught by proper testing. The code base appeared to be not ready for the review when the review started. After multiple iterations the code base was improved significantly.

All raised issues were addressed and most were fixed by code changes. We conclude that the reviewed contracts currently provide a satisfactory level of security. But our experience shows that a high amount of discovered issues has an increased tail risk of more undiscovered issues. Additionally, not all code was in scope of the review (see 2.1 Scope). Hence, we want to highlight that security reviews complement but don't replace other vital measures to secure a project, like e.g., limited testing phases or bug bounties. We did our best to help to eliminate all severe issues, but it is important to note that security audits are time-boxed and cannot uncover all vulnerabilities.

The following sections will give an overview of the system, our methodology, the issues uncovered and how they have been addressed. We are happy to receive questions and feedback to improve our service.

Sincerely yours,

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1.1 Overview of the Findings

Below we provide a brief numerical overview of the findings and how they have been addressed.

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2 Assessment Overview

In this section, we briefly describe the overall structure and scope of the engagement, including the code commit which is referenced throughout this report.

2.1 Scope

The assessment was performed on the source code files inside the Mellow Vaults repository based on the documentation files. The table below indicates the code versions relevant to this report and when they were received.

V	Date	Commit Hash	Note
1	25 Feb 2022	f79ea5fc82b8ae5e0fa488c5aae023e893edf7f0	Initial Version
2	18 Apr 2022	736b34243ced0ea0346dd874438354db6dafa135	Version 2
3	23 May 2022	b4250761505742c211428986ecb4189ae2e402fc	Version 3
4	08 Jun 2022	3c73391bb182e910b3d714dab1930d4e885dfccf	Version 4
5	15 Jun 2022	5e09b7372f02d8f81f6d66d827d5883323b86a03	Version 5
6	20 Jun 2022	bb66a637c4a5834c4dace90205776159726b8299	Version 6
7	11 Jul 2022	1fae4225ccd6164ad613e0860619ecd10287dd39	Version 7
8	29 Jul 2022	ff8f3ba89c362663ef9f3a0ff31d7bbf95457629	Version 8
9	03 Aug 2022	ed3e07e5b873dbe6f4e5d632d0adc1f5b47dec8e	Version 9

For the solidity smart contracts, the compiler version 0.8.9 was chosen.

2.1.1 Excluded from scope

The following files were out of scope:

- contracts/ContractRegistry.sol
- contracts/libraries/SemverLibrary.sol
- contracts/oracles/UniV2Oracle.sol
- contracts/utils/BatchCall.sol
- contracts/utils/ContractMeta.sol
- contracts/utils/DefaultProxy.sol
- contracts/utils/DefaultProxyAdmin.sol
- contracts/libraries/external/*

Additionally, the MellowVault and the functions to compute the square root in CommonLibrary.sol, were put out of scope while performing the code assessment.

2.1.2 Excluded from this report

During the engagement shortcomings inside the smart contracts were discovered by the Mellow team. These shortcomings are not listed in this report.



2.2 System Overview

This system overview describes the initially received version (Version 1) of the contracts as defined in the Assessment Overview.

Furthermore, in the findings section, we have added a version icon to each of the findings to increase the readability of the report.

Mellow Finance offers an investment protocol that pools investors funds and manages these funds according to an investment strategy smart contract.

The overall system has certain parameters managed by The ProtocolGovernance smart contract. Different vaults are responsible to keep the funds and/or invest them in other DeFi protocols like AAVE, YEARN or Uniswap. A root vault is the overarching connector for all vaults. The root vault is the entry point for a user to invest funds. Strategy contracts balance the ratios of tokens held in the vaults and between the vaults.

A user who wants to invest funds will send the funds to the root vault. The root vault will in return issue a corresponding amount of liquidity provider tokens to track the user's investment to the user. The funds will end up in a special vault which acts as a cash position. As soon as a strategy manager invokes the vault rebalancing in the connected strategy, the strategy will distribute the funds from the cash vault to the investment/integration vaults. These vaults will use the funds to invest into the third party DeFi protocols like Aave. When a user decides to redeem/withdraw their liquidity provider tokens for the corresponding share of tokens, the root vault will drain the cash vault and if needed take more money from the investment/integration vaults.

The system has multiple roles that need to be trusted fully or partially. These are:

The DefaultAccessControl smart contract uses OpenZeppelin's AccessControlEnumerable scheme to set up the following roles:

- ADMIN_ROLE
- ADMIN_DELEGATE_ROLE
- OPERATOR

The contract is inherited by UnitPricesGovernance and, consequently, ProtocolGovernance. The DefaultAccessControl is also used in the ChainlinkOracle, UniV3Oracle and LStrategy.

Initially, the deployer of these contracts can set an address that is granted the:

- OPERATOR and
- ADMIN_ROLE roles.

A slightly modified version of the <code>DefaultAccessControl</code> that features a late initialization to work with proxies is used by the <code>MStrategy</code>.

Access for vaults is controlled by NFTs that are minted during registration of vaults in the VaultRegistry. For example, when deploying the YearnVault by calling the createVault function in YearnVaultGovernance, the contract is registered at the VaultRegistry, where an NFT is minted to an owner address that can be specified when creating the vault.

When creating a root vault, the NFTs of the sub-vault are transferred to the root vault to give the root vault the required control over the sub-vaults. The root vault's NFT itself stays under the ownership of the address given by the deployer who can approve another address, giving it Strategy access level. Strategies can therefore be managed by different entities than vaults.

The system deployment and setup are quite complicated. The following steps try to outline the setup chronologically.

- 1. These steps can be performed in any order:
 - Deploy the protocol ProtocolGovernance contract.



- Deploy the oracle contracts.
- 2. These steps can be performed in any order:
 - Deploy the validator contracts.
 - Deploy the ContractRegistry contract.
 - Deploy the VaultRegistry contract.
- 3. Deploy the vault governance contracts.
- 4. Call createVault on the integration/sub-vaults that are needed.
- 5. In case a UniV3Vault is used:
 - 1. Mint an initial Uniswap v3 liquidity position with a random EOA.
 - 2. Approve the EOA for spending the NFT received from the VaultRegistry.
 - 3. Transfer the Uniswap v3 LP NFT to the newly created Univ3Vault.
- 6. Deploy a strategy with the reference to the desired vaults (The MStrategy contract acts as a factory whereas the LStrategy needs to be deployed normally).
- 7. Create the root vault with the desired integration/sub-vaults and the strategy.

The contracts have the following functionalities:

• ProtocolGovernance

Manages the following variables with a time delayed commit scheme:

- The protocol's Params struct that includes:
 - uint256 maxTokensPerVault
 - •uint256 governanceDelay
 - address protocolTreasury
 - •uint256 forceAllowMask
 - •uint256 withdrawLimit
- The permissions for certain addresses (e.g., creating a vault, registering a vault, being a vault token or passing requirements set by the validators)
- The validator contracts that are called when an external call is done (e.g., swapping tokens on an exchange)

Revoking/Removing permissions or validators can be done instantly with no time lock.

Roles: The admin role of this contract should be fully trusted as it sets all the critical parameters of the system. In general, the parameters are updated with the stage-delay-commit pattern, so users should continuously monitor the staged parameters for malicious values and react before they are committed. However, for revoking permissions or validators, there is no delay enforced.

- UnitPricesGovernance is a contract inherited by the ProtocolGovernance. It allows the admin role to set reference prices used to calculate the withdraw limit in ProtocolGovernance.withdrawLimit. The admin should carefully set the price values taking into consideration the decimals of the respective token.
- ContractRegistry allows the protocol governance admin or operator to register contracts. The contract is not used in the system at all but seems to be called externally to verify if contracts belong to the system.



VaultRegistry manages the vault's NFTs. Each time a vault is created, it will be registered in this
contract and receive a unique ID represented by an NFT. The NFT is also used for access control
purpose. The relevant roles are the owner and the approved spender of the NFT.

Roles: The admin of the protocol governance has special privileges also in this contract. Besides updating the state parameters, in the first versions of the code the admin could approve any vault NFT to any arbitrary address via adminApprove, however this functionality was removed in (Version 5).

- Validator contracts are used to verify calls done by the externalCall function in the Integration vaults. externalCall allows every vault of owner or approved account to perform any low-level call to other contracts as long as a validator contract for that contract has been set in the ProtocolGovernance and the corresponding validator successfully verified the calldata.
- Oracles are used by the strategies to balance the portfolio between vaults and tokens. The root vault uses oracles to convert the TVL of integration vaults to the same token in _getTvlToken0. The UniV3Vault uses the oracle price in _getMinMaxPrice to determine TVL.

Roles: The Chainlink and UniV3Oracle inherit the DefaultAccessControl, and the admin has the privileges to set the oracle address (in case of Chainlink) or the Uniswap pool.

• Vault governance contracts are factory contracts that can create new vaults. They additionally store some vault type specific information in the delayedProtocolParams object (e.g., AAVE lending pool address).

Roles: These contracts inherit the roles of protocol governance.

- There are two types of integration vaults. The ERC20Vault, which is a cash position vault, stores tokens to act as a buffer when tokens are withdrawn. It is worth mentioning that the Yearn vault has a default maxLoss parameter set to 100%, basically omitting any protection for the user if the Yearn strategy had made a loss. ERC20Vault is also the hub which receives all deposits from the aggregation/root vault. The tokens remain in the ERC20Vault until a strategy starts balancing and, hence, distributing the tokens to the connected other integration vaults. The other integration vaults are adapters to other DeFi projects (AAVE, Yearn, Uniswap, Mellow). They invest all tokens they receive and only store the respective project tokens.
- The ERC20RootVault is the main entry and exit point for users. The vault acts as an aggregator and oversees all sub-vaults that are connected to it. By calling withdraw and deposit users can close or open a position. The user's position is represented by liquidity tokens minted to the investing user.

Roles: The privileged roles in this contract are the admin of the protocol governance, the strategy linked to the vault and owner of the vault NFT. End users also can access the functionalities to deposit and withdraw funds.

2.3 Strategies

Strategy contracts manage the token distribution between and inside vaults. Operators can call certain functions that rebalance tokens between vaults but cannot send tokens outside of the ecosystem.

2.3.1 MStrategy

MStrategy is a factory contract to create new strategies. Anyone can deploy a clone of the implementation by calling the function <code>createStrategy</code> and providing the following parameters: <code>tokens_</code>, <code>erc20Vault</code> (cash position), <code>moneyVault_</code> (investment position), <code>fee_</code> and <code>admin.</code> MStrategy supports only vaults with exactly two tokens, and both <code>erc20Vault</code> and <code>moneyVault_</code> should have same tokens.

The main functionality of MStrategy is rebalance which can be called only by the admin of the strategy. The first operation of the rebalance is to transfer tokens between the erc20Vault and the moneyVault to maintain a healthy ratio as defined in the parameters ratioParams. The ratio is



computed on terms of the total value locked (TVL) by both positions. This is achieved by calling the internal function <code>_rebalancePools</code>. The second part of <code>rebalance</code> is to maintain the ratio of tokens in the cash and investment position in line with the ratio of these tokens in a Uniswap pool. If the cash position has more from one token than desired, the function <code>_rebalanceTokens</code> computes the amount of tokens that need to be swapped in Uniswap, which is performed in <code>_swapToTarget</code>.

Roles: The admin address is important as it is a privileged address that can set other roles for the contract as described above. Furthermore, this address has access to the following functionalities:

- rebalance: moves the funds between the cash position and the investment according to the desired ratio. The function should be called with carefully crafted inputs for slippage protection.
- manualPull: can move any amount of funds at any time between the erc20Vault and moneyVault.
- setOracleParams: updates the oracle parameters, such as the number of observations considered for Uniswap oracles, maximum tick deviation supported, and slippage tolerance.
- setRatioParams: sets the ratio of funds in the cash position and the investment vault.

2.3.2 LStrategy

The second strategy of the project is LStrategy. This strategy is supposed to be deployed once, so it does not provide any cloning functionalities. LStrategy operates on three vaults, the first is still the cash position, while the other two are Uniswap positions that are setup in a such a way to cover the current price tick and therefore optimize the earnings.

The Uniswap positions are referred as lowerVault - cover the current tick and a predefined number of lower ticks, and upperVault - covers the current tick and a predefined number of upper ticks. Both lowerVault and upperVault overlap with each other and ideally both should always cover the current tick, where most of the activity happens. If the price goes up, i.e., current tick increases, the strategy should move more liquidity to the upperVault, otherwise moves liquidity to the lowerVault. If one position does not cover anymore the current tick, then all liquidity is moved to the other vault, and a new position in Uniswap is minted. Note that, LStrategy should have enough tokens to open new Uniswap positions in order to follow the price as intended. Given that LStrategy is not supposed to hold any token, the strategy operator (or anyone) should continuously donate the required tokens to LStrategy.

The main functionalities of the strategy are:

- rebalanceERC20UniV3Vaults: moves the funds between the cash position (erc20Vault) and the two Uniswap positions (lowerVault and upperVault) according to the desired ratio.
- rebalanceUniV3Vaults: this function moves the funds between the lowerVault and upperVault depending on the price change by calling the internal function _rebalanceUniV3Liquidity. If one of the Uniswap positions does not cover anymore the current price tick, the function _swapVaults is called to close the outdated position and mint a new one
- postPreOrder and signOrder: LStrategy uses Cowswap for the token exchange and these functions allow privileged accounts to save a pre-order as a state variable and sign the Cowswap order.
- collectUniFees: this function calls collectEarnings in the Uniswap positions lowerVault and upperVault.
- manualPull: allows the admin to transfer any amount of funds at any point from one vault to another one.
- Updating params functions: allow the admin to update the tradingParams, ratioParams and otherParams of the strategy.

Roles: The admin address is important as it is a privileged address that can set other roles for the contract as described above. Furthermore, this address has access to the following functionalities:



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manualPull and the functionalities to set the strategy parameters, including the ones for the slippage protection. The operator role can trigger the execution of functions rebalanceERC20UniV3Vaults, rebalanceUniV3Vaults, postPreOrder, and collectUniFees.

2.3.3 Tokens

We assume that only ERC20-compliant tokens with no callback features are whitelisted and used by the system. The support of tokens with callback hooks, like ERC777 or ERC677, is out of scope.



3 Limitations and use of report

Security assessments cannot uncover all existing vulnerabilities; even an assessment in which no vulnerabilities are found is not a guarantee of a secure system. However, code assessments enable the discovery of vulnerabilities that were overlooked during development and areas where additional security measures are necessary. In most cases, applications are either fully protected against a certain type of attack, or they are completely unprotected against it. Some of the issues may affect the entire application, while some lack protection only in certain areas. This is why we carry out a source code assessment aimed at determining all locations that need to be fixed. Within the customer-determined time frame, ChainSecurity has performed an assessment in order to discover as many vulnerabilities as possible.

The focus of our assessment was limited to the code parts defined in the engagement letter. We assessed whether the project follows the provided specifications. These assessments are based on the provided threat model and trust assumptions. We draw attention to the fact that due to inherent limitations in any software development process and software product, an inherent risk exists that even major failures or malfunctions can remain undetected. Further uncertainties exist in any software product or application used during the development, which itself cannot be free from any error or failures. These preconditions can have an impact on the system's code and/or functions and/or operation. We did not assess the underlying third-party infrastructure which adds further inherent risks as we rely on the correct execution of the included third-party technology stack itself. Report readers should also take into account that over the life cycle of any software, changes to the product itself or to the environment in which it is operated can have an impact leading to operational behaviors other than those initially determined in the business specification.



4 Terminology

For the purpose of this assessment, we adopt the following terminology. To classify the severity of our findings, we determine the likelihood and impact (according to the CVSS risk rating methodology).

- Likelihood represents the likelihood of a finding to be triggered or exploited in practice
- Impact specifies the technical and business-related consequences of a finding
- · Severity is derived based on the likelihood and the impact

We categorize the findings into four distinct categories, depending on their severity. These severities are derived from the likelihood and the impact using the following table, following a standard risk assessment procedure.

Likelihood	Impact		
	High	Medium	Low
High	Critical	High	Medium
Medium	High	Medium	Low
Low	Medium	Low	Low

As seen in the table above, findings that have both a high likelihood and a high impact are classified as critical. Intuitively, such findings are likely to be triggered and cause significant disruption. Overall, the severity correlates with the associated risk. However, every finding's risk should always be closely checked, regardless of severity.



5 Findings

In this section, we describe any open findings. Findings that have been resolved have been moved to the Resolved Findings section. The findings are split into these different categories:

- Security: Related to vulnerabilities that could be exploited by malicious actors
- Design: Architectural shortcomings and design inefficiencies
- Correctness: Mismatches between specification and implementation

Below we provide a numerical overview of the identified findings, split up by their severity.

Critical -Severity Findings	0
High-Severity Findings	0
Medium-Severity Findings	0
Low-Severity Findings	12

- Inconsistent Decimals of LP Token (Acknowledged)
- Performance Fee in Specific Setups Acknowledged
- Possible Optimization in AggregateVault Code Partially Corrected
- Possible Optimization on Deposits and Withdrawals (Acknowledged)
- Redundant Calculation of LP Amounts (Acknowledged)
- Broad Access Control for Functions (Acknowledged)
- Redundant Check for baseSupply (Acknowledged)
- Redundant Check for deltaSupply (Acknowledged)
- Redundant Checks on Push Function (Acknowledged)
- State Updates After Reentrancy Possibility Code Partially Corrected
- Missing Slippage Protection in _mintNewNft (Acknowledged)
- UniV3Vault Pulls More Tokens Than Requested (Acknowledged)

5.1 Inconsistent Decimals of LP Token



The function ERC20RootVault.deposit performs the following checks when new LP tokens are minted to a user:

```
require(lpAmount + balanceOf[msg.sender] <= params.tokenLimitPerAddress, ExceptionsLibrary.LIMIT_OVERFLOW);
require(lpAmount + totalSupply <= params.tokenLimit, ExceptionsLibrary.LIMIT_OVERFLOW);</pre>
```

The LP tokens distributed by root vaults do not have pre-defined number of decimals but depend on the token amounts of the first deposit, hence making difficult to set the params tokenLimitPerAddress and tokenLimit in advance.

Acknowledged:



Mellow Finance acknowledges the issue and will take care to set the proper limits after initial LP shares are minted and the respective decimals are known:

We don't intend to stand limits in advance of the launch of the system, we rather want to stand them as MaxUint256 initially and then have a possibility to set meaningful values based on the supply of lp tokens during the work of the system.

5.2 Performance Fee in Specific Setups

Design Low Version 5 Acknowledged

The performance fee is charged in ERC20RootVault only if the price of LP tokens has increased in value, which is calculated in the statement:

uint256 lpPriceD18 = FullMath.mulDiv(tvlToken0, CommonLibrary.D18, baseSupply);

However, in specific setups where the token0 is of high value but has low decimals, while the token1 is of low value but with many decimals, the variable baseSupply would inherit the decimals of token1. Therefore, in such setups it is possible that the statement above returns lpPriceD18 equal to zero.

Acknowledged:

Mellow Finance has decided to keep the code unchanged as they only will use only verified token combinations that this issue does not occur. The response:

We decided that this situation would not be possible when calculating the performance fee, since we agreed to use only verified tokens, for which the difference between decimals would be less than 18.

5.3 Possible Optimization in AggregateVault

Design Low Version 5 Code Partially Corrected

The function AggregateVault._push performs the following actions:

- 1. Approves allowance with safeIncreaseAllowance for each token to destVault.
- 2. Calls destVault.transferAndPush, which transfers tokenAmounts to the ERC20Vault.
- 3. Resets approval to destVault for all tokens to 0.

Given that the _push function moves tokens to the ERC20Vault and allowance in the end should be 0, the function can be revised to be more efficient. For instance, safeIncreaseAllowance performs additional operations and is useful when the existing allowance is not zero and should be considered. Also, the function consumes in step 2 the allowance given earlier, hence the last for-loop might be omitted.

Code partially correct:

The function AggregateVault._push is made more efficient by performing the external calls safeIncreaseAllowance and safeApprove only for tokens that non-zero amounts are being



transferred (tokenAmounts[i] > 0). However, for the other tokens two external calls are performed for updating the allowance.

5.4 Possible Optimization on Deposits and Withdrawals

Design Low Version 5 Acknowledged

The function ERC20RootVault.deposit can be optimized to be more gas efficient by transferring the tokens directly from the user to the ERC20Vault. Currently, the tokens are first transferred from the user to the root vault:

```
for (uint256 i = 0; i < tokens.length; ++i) {
    ...
    IERC20(tokens[i]).safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(this), normalizedAmounts[i]);
}</pre>
```

and then, in AggregateVault._push tokens are transferred again:

```
for (uint256 i = 0; i < _vaultTokens.length; i++) {
    IERC20(_vaultTokens[i]).safeIncreaseAllowance(address(destVault), tokenAmounts[i]);
}</pre>
```

Similarly, the function ERC20RootVault.withdraw can be made more efficient if the tokens are transferred directly from the sub-vaults to the user instead of transferring to the root vault first and then to the user.

Acknowledged:

Client acknowledges the optimization possibility but prefers to keep the code unchanged:

```
The main idea behind this behavior is for the root vault to be responsible for pushing tokens onto different vaults. We consider the current design to be clearer with pushing with the ```AggregateVault._push``` method.
```

5.5 Redundant Calculation of LP Amounts

Design Low Version 5 Acknowledged

The function ERC20RootVault.deposit calculates the LP amount that is rewarded to the user two times:

```
{
    ...
    (preLpAmount, isSignificantTvl) = _getLpAmount(maxTvl, tokenAmounts, supply);
    for (uint256 i = 0; i < tokens.length; ++i) {
        normalizedAmounts[i] = _getNormalizedAmount(...);
        ...
    }
}
actualTokenAmounts = _push(normalizedAmounts, vaultOptions);
(uint256 lpAmount, ) = _getLpAmount(maxTvl, actualTokenAmounts, supply);</pre>
```



Initially, preLpAmount is calculated based on the tokenAmounts, then normalizedAmounts are computed. Considering that _push moves tokens to the ERC20Vault, the returned actualTokenAmounts is equal to normalizedAmounts. Hence, recomputing lpAmount is redundant.

Acknowledged:

Client acknowledges the redundant calculation of LP amount but prefers to keep the code unchanged as in the future the behavior of ERC20Vault might change, i.e., the returned actualTokenAmounts might not be equal to normalizedAmounts.

5.6 Broad Access Control for Functions



The functions addDepositorsToAllowlist and removeDepositorsFromAllowlist in ERC20RootVault restrict the access control with function _requireAtLeastStrategy. However, neither MStrategy nor LStrategy call these functions. Similarly, multiple functions in VaultGovernance use the same access control, although they are not called by the strategies.

Acknowledged:

Mellow Finance is aware that these functions are not called by smart contracts implementing the strategies, but they can be called by an EOA in case it manages the vault system. Client replied:

The vault system can be managed not by strategy, but by some account. In such a case this account should have the possibility to edit `depositorsAllowList`. These 2 functions exist for this reason.

5.7 Redundant Check for baseSupply



The function ERC20RootVault._chargePerformanceFees performs a check of baseSupply is equal to 0, and returns if this is the case:

```
if ((performanceFee == 0) || (baseSupply == 0)) {
   return;
}
```

However, this check is redundant because _chargeFees performs the same check and returns before calling _chargePerformanceFees.

Acknowledged:

Client acknowledged the redundant check but has decided to keep it as it enhances the readability of the code.



5.8 Redundant Check for deltaSupply

Design Low Version 4 Acknowledged

The function _getBaseParamsForFees performs the following check on withdrawals:

```
baseSupply = 0;
if (supply > deltaSupply) {
   baseSupply = supply - deltaSupply;
}
```

The deltaSupply corresponds to the LP shares that a user is burning, which is less than or equal to the balance of that user. Hence, it is always less or equal to the totalSupply.

Acknowledged:

Client acknowledged the redundant check but has decided to keep it as it enhances the readability of the code.

5.9 Redundant Checks on Push Function

Design Low Version 4 Acknowledged

The function IntegrationVault.push performs the following checks that are always true when a vault is linked to a root vault:

```
uint256 nft_ = _nft;
require(nft_ != 0, ExceptionsLibrary.INIT);
IVaultRegistry vaultRegistry = _vaultGovernance.internalParams().registry;
IVault ownerVault = IVault(vaultRegistry.ownerOf(nft_)); // Also checks that the token exists
uint256 ownerNft = vaultRegistry.nftForVault(address(ownerVault));
require(ownerNft != 0, ExceptionsLibrary.NOT_FOUND);
```

Acknowledged:

Mellow Finance has decided to keep the checks to prevent from pushing and pulling on uninitialized vaults.

5.10 State Updates After Reentrancy Possibility

Design Low Version 4 Code Partially Corrected

When creating a vault, _mint is called to mint the NFT. This calls the receiver and gives an opportunity to reenter the system.

```
_safeMint(owner, nft);
_vaultIndex[nft] = vault;
_nftIndex[vault] = nft;
_vaults.push(vault);
_topNft += 1;
emit VaultRegistered(tx.origin, msg.sender, nft, vault, owner);
```



State updates and events are emitted after the possible reentrancy in this function and the calling functions. Coding guidelines suggest following the check-effects-interaction pattern to mitigate reentrancy vulnerabilities.

Code partially corrected:

The minting statement _safeMint has been moved to the end of the function registerVault. However, state is still updated afterwards in functions createVault of vault governance contracts.

5.11 Missing Slippage Protection in _mintNewNft



The function _mintNewNft in LStrategy sets the parameters amountOMin and amount1Min of the MintParams to zero, hence disabling any slippage protection. However, the risk exposure in this case is limited as a new position in Uniswap should be open with small amounts minTokenXForOpening. The exact amount depends on admin who sets the otherParams.

Acknowledged:

Sanity checks were introduced in Version 3) to check if the variables minTokenXForOpening are smaller than 10**9. This adds another layer of protection to ensure that the number of tokens is relatively low. Still, the number of tokens does not guarantee that the value is small.

5.12 UniV3Vault Pulls More Tokens Than Requested



UniV3Vault._pullUniV3Nft first calculates the amount of tokens to pull, then decreases the liquidity inside the Uniswap position and then collects the tokens. When the earnings have not been collected before, the last step additionally collects the earnings, returning more tokens than intended.

The function should take the tokens owed into consideration when calculating the amount to pull.

Acknowledged

Mellow Finance acknowledged the issue and replied that the strategy maintainer can call the collectEarnings function to collect all the fees.



6 Resolved Findings

Here, we list findings that have been resolved during the course of the engagement. Their categories are explained in the Findings section.

Below we provide a numerical overview of the identified findings, split up by their severity.

Critical-Severity Findings

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- Mismatch of Specification With Uniswap V3 Oracle Code Corrected
- Chainlink Oracle Returns Empty Prices Code Corrected
- Incorrect LP Token Calculation in ERC20RootVault Code Corrected
- Missing Access Control in UniV3Oracle Code Corrected
- UniV3Oracle Returns Reverse Prices for Token Pairs Code Corrected

High-Severity Findings

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6.1 Mismatch of Specification With Uniswap V3 Oracle

```
Correctness Critical Version 2 Code Corrected
```

The specifications of the function price for oracles are in the interface IOracle as following:

```
/// @dev The price is token1 / token0 i.e. how many weis of token1
/// required for 1 wei of token0.

function price(
   address token0,
   address token1,
   uint256 safetyIndicesSet
) external view returns (uint256[] memory, uint256[] memory);
```

According to the specification, $priceA_B = price(tokenA, tokenB)$ should be the inverse of $priceB_A = price(tokenB, tokenA)$, meaning the following relation should hold: $priceA_B = 1 / priceB_A$.

The function UniV3Oracle.price in (Version 2) returns the same price for a pair of tokens without differentiating in which denomination token the price should be. Namely, the function returns the same prices when calling price(tokenA, tokenB) or price(tokenB, tokenA). This behavior is enforced in the first if statement of the function:

```
if (token0 > token1) {
    (token0, token1) = (token1, token0);
}
```

Code corrected:

The Uniswap V3 Oracle has been revised, the Uniswap's OracleLibrary is now used and a flag isSwapped is added to track the correct denomination of the returned price.



6.2 Chainlink Oracle Returns Empty Prices

Correctness Critical Version 1 Code Corrected

ChainlinkOracle maintains the mapping oraclesIndex which stores addresses of chainlink oracles for each token. The mapping is populated by the admin through the function _addChainlinkOracles:

```
function _addChainlinkOracles(address[] memory tokens, address[] memory oracles) internal {
    ...
    oraclesIndex[token] = oracle;
    ...
}
```

The function <code>price(token0,token1,safetyIndicesSet)</code> checks if the mapping <code>oraclesIndex</code> has the addresses for the respective Chainlink oracles:

```
if ((address(chainlinkOracle0) != address(0)) || (address(chainlinkOracle1) != address(0))) {
    return (pricesX96, safetyIndices); // returns empty values
}
```

The condition above is incorrect as it returns empty values if the Chainlink oracles exist in the mapping. This makes the Chainlink oracle - assumed to be the safest by the specifications and the code - unusable.

Code corrected:

The above check in function price has been revised to return empty prices only if there is no entry for at least one of the tokens in mapping oraclesIndex:

```
if ((address(chainlinkOracle0) == address(0)) | | (address(chainlinkOracle1) == address(0))) {
   return (pricesX96, safetyIndices);
}
```

6.3 Incorrect LP Token Calculation in

ERC20RootVault

```
Correctness Critical Version 1 Code Corrected
```

ERC20RootVault._getLpAmount incorrectly calculates the minimum of given token amounts. An attacker can issue more LP tokens than he is entitled to and can then exchange them back for additional tokens.

The following code incorrectly resets the MIN calculation for as many iterations as tokenLpAmount is equal to 0:

```
for (uint256 i = 0; i < tvlsLength; ++i) {
   if ((amounts[i] == 0) || (tvl_[i] == 0)) {
      continue;
   }

   uint256 tokenLpAmount = FullMath.mulDiv(amounts[i], supply, tvl_[i]);
   if ((tokenLpAmount < lpAmount) || (lpAmount == 0)) {
      lpAmount = tokenLpAmount;
   }
}</pre>
```



```
}
```

If tokenLpAmount == 0 in the first iteration, lpAmount will be set to 0. If tokenLpAmount > 0 in the next iteration, lpAmount will be set to tokenLpAmount although it is larger than the already set value.

In a later step, ERC20RootVault._getNormalizedAmount normalizes the sent token amounts to the calculated lpAmount. This function however does not increase the normalized amount to a value greater than the sent one. An attacker can therefore exploit this by calling deposit with all token amounts but the last one being set to 0 and then calling withdraw with the LP tokens that have just been minted to obtain his initial investment plus an amount of all other tokens in the Vault equal to the current ratio of tokens.

Code corrected:

The function _getLpAmount has been refactored to set the lpAmount to the minimum of tokenLpAmount calculated on each iteration of the for loop. The flag isLpAmountUpdated is set to true on the first iteration that a non-zero value is assigned to lpAmount.

6.4 Missing Access Control in UniV3Oracle



The function addUniV3Pools populates the mapping poolsIndex with the address of a Uniswap pool for a pair of tokens. The function should be accessible only to trusted accounts, however, it does not implement any access restriction. As the function is external anyone can set arbitrary addresses as Uniswap pools, hence freely manipulate the oracle prices.

Code corrected:

The updated code resolves the issue by restricting the access to the function addUniv3Pools only to the admin, hence preventing malicious users from setting arbitrary addresses as Uniswap pools:

```
function addUniV3Pools(IUniswapV3Pool[] memory pools) external {
    _requireAdmin();
    _addUniV3Pools(pools);
}
```

6.5 UniV3Oracle Returns Reverse Prices for Token Pairs

```
Correctness Critical Version 1 Code Corrected
```

The UniV3Oracle computes the price for two tokens using the Uniswap V3 observations. As the tokens in Uniswap are always sorted by their address (Token0 < Token1), the function price uses a flag revTokens to distinguish if the price from Uniswap corresponds to the order of function parameters, or if it should be reversed. The respective code is:



```
function price(address token0,address token1,uint256 safetyIndicesSet)
    external view returns (uint256[] memory pricesX96, uint256[] memory safetyIndices) {
    ...
    bool revTokens = token1 > token0;

    for (uint256 i = 0; i < len; i++) {
        if (revTokens) {
            pricesX96[i] = FullMath.mulDiv(CommonLibrary.Q96, CommonLibrary.Q96, pricesX96[i]);
        }
        pricesX96[i] = FullMath.mulDiv(pricesX96[i], pricesX96[i], CommonLibrary.Q96);
    }
}</pre>
```

The flag revToken is set to true if the tokens in the function parameters are ordered as in Uniswap, hence incorrectly reverses the computed price.

Code corrected:

The contract UniV3Oracle has been refactored due to the bug presented above and other issues reported for this contract. The code above that mistakenly reversed the prices is not present anymore in (Version 2), however, another issue has been introduced on the fix.

6.6 Incorrect TVL Conversion

Correctness High Version 3 Code Corrected

The function $_getTvlToken0$ incorrectly converts the TVL amount of a given token i into token 0. The oracle returns a price in x96 format. This price is directly used as if it would be a correctly formatted price to convert the amounts. As the TVL in most cases will be lower than the price in x96 format the calculation will return 0.

```
tvl0 = tvls[0];
for (uint256 i = 1; i < tvls.length; i++) {
    (uint256[] memory prices, ) = oracle.price(tokens[0], tokens[i], 0x28);
    require(prices.length > 0, ExceptionsLibrary.VALUE_ZERO);
    uint256 price = 0;
    for (uint256 j = 0; j < prices.length; j++) {
        price += prices[j];
    }
    price /= prices.length;
    tvl0 += tvls[i] / price;</pre>
```

Additionally, the calculation would be more precise if the price would be multiplied to convert the amounts.

Code corrected:

The issue about the conversion of TVLs in function <code>_getTvlToken0</code> has been addressed. The last statement of the <code>for-loop</code> has been changed:

```
tvl0 += FullMath.mulDiv(tvls[i], CommonLibrary.Q96, priceX96);
```



6.7 Adding up Total Value Locked on Different Tokens

Correctness High Version 1 Code Corrected

The function postPreOrder calls the function $_{liquidityDelta}$ with $_{tvl[0]}$ and $_{tvl[0]} + _{tvl[1]}$ (see the issue reported in Calling _liquidityDelta incorrectly).

Additionally, the calculations are performed on tvl with different underlying tokens. Namely, tvl[0] is in the denomination of token0, while tvl[1] in the denomination of token1.

Code corrected:

The issue is resolved in code base (Version 2), the first argument tvl[0] is converted into the domination of token1 before passed to $_liquidityDelta$, while the second parameter tvl[1] remains in the denomination of token1.

6.8 Calling _liquidityDelta Incorrectly

Correctness High Version 1 Code Corrected

The function postPreOrder in Lstrategy calls _liquidityDelta as follows:

```
(uint256 tokenDelta, bool isNegative) = _liquidityDelta(
    tvl[0],
    tvl[0] + tvl[1],
    ratioParams.erc20TokenRatioD,
    ratioParams.minErc20TokenRatioDeviationD
);
```

As already pointed out in the issue Calling _liquidityDelta with incorrect inputs, the function _liquidityDelta also performs the addition, hence computing incorrectly the result.

Code corrected:

The parameters passed to the function $_{\text{liquidityDelta}}$ have been corrected, namely the addition of $_{\text{tvl[0]}} + _{\text{tvl[1]}}$ is removed and only $_{\text{tvl[1]}}$ is passed as the second argument of the function call.

6.9 Calling _liquidityDelta **With Incorrect Inputs**

Correctness High Version 1 Code Corrected

The function rebalanceERC20UniV3Vaults in LStrategy calls _liquidityDelta as follows:

```
(capitalDelta, isNegativeCapitalDelta) = _liquidityDelta(
  erc20VaultCapital,
  erc20VaultCapital + lowerVaultCapital + upperVaultCapital,
  ratioParams.erc20UniV3CapitalRatioD,
```



```
ratioParams.minErc20UniV3CapitalRatioDeviationD);
```

Note that, the first parameter is included in the sum used as the second parameter. However, the function _liquidityDelta also performs the addition on the code below, hence computing targetLowerLiquidity incorrectly:

```
uint256 targetLowerLiquidity = FullMath.mulDiv(
   targetLiquidityRatioD,
   lowerLiquidity + upperLiquidity,
   DENOMINATOR
);
```

Code corrected:

In rebalanceERC20UniV3Vaults the calculation does not add erc20VaultCapital anymore.

6.10 Incorrect Observation Index in

_getAverageTick

```
Correctness High Version 1 Code Corrected
```

Function _getAverageTick computes the averageTick and the tickDeviation based on the most recent observation and a previous observation referred as observationIndexLast. The latter index is computed as follows:

```
uint16 observationIndexLast = observationIndex >= oracleObservationDelta
? observationIndex - oracleObservationDelta
: observationIndex + (type(uint16).max - oracleObservationDelta + 1);
```

If oracleObservationDelta is larger than observationIndex (e.g., by 1), the code above returns a value that is close (or equal) to type(uint16).max. It is very likely that the Uniswap pool has a smaller cardinality of observations than the computed observationIndexLast, hence 0s would be returned for this observation.

Code corrected:

The formula to compute observationIndexLast when oracleObservationDelta > observationIndex has been revised, type(uint16).max has been replaced with observationCardinality.

```
obsldx = 20 delta = 30 card = 50 --- 20 + 50 -30 = 40
obsldx = 30 delta = 30 card = 50 --- 0
obsldx = 30 delta = 31 card = 50 --- 30 + 50 -31 = 49
obsldx = 30 delta = 49 card = 50 --- 30 + 50 - 49 = 31
generalized: obsldx + card - delta % card
```



6.11 Incorrect Parameters on externalCall

Correctness High Version 1 Code Corrected

The function signOrder in LStrategy performs few externalCall s, and for one of them sets the wrong parameters as input:

```
bytes memory setPresignatureData = abi.encode(SET_PRESIGNATURE_SELECTOR, uuid, signed);
erc20Vault.externalCall(cowswap, SET_PRESIGNATURE_SELECTOR, setPresignatureData);
```

Note that the function selector is part of the abi.encode and then is set as the second parameter in externalCall, which also appends the selector when executing the call, hence causing the external function to always fail:

```
(bool res, bytes memory returndata) = to.call{value: msg.value}(abi.encodePacked(selector, data));
```

Code corrected:

The external call in LStrategy.signOrder does not encode the SET_PRESIGNATURE_SELECTOR twice anymore.

6.12 Insufficient Testing



We found an unusual high number of issues that would have been easily detected with proper tests. The current unit and integration tests are insufficient.

Code corrected:

The tests have been extended significantly on the latest iterations of the review process to cover more functions and call paths.

6.13 Opposite Vaults Are Swapped

Correctness High Version 1 Code Corrected

The function _swapVaults in LStrategy should close the position with no liquidity and open a new one given the price move in positiveTickGrowth. The decision on which vault to close is done in the following if condition:

```
/// @param positiveTickGrowth `true` if price tick increased
...
if (!positiveTickGrowth) {
    (fromVault, toVault) = (lowerVault, upperVault);
} else {
    (fromVault, toVault) = (upperVault, lowerVault);
}
```

The function closes the fromVault and creates the new vault according to the current position of toVault. However, the code above assigns fromVault wrongly to lowerVault if the tick is



decreasing, and vice-versa if the tick is increasing. Given this error and the following requirement, the function would fail always (as fromVault has all liquidity):

```
require(fromLiquidity == 0, ExceptionsLibrary.INVARIANT);
```

Code corrected:

The vaults were switched like:

```
if (!positiveTickGrowth) {
         (fromVault, toVault) = (upperVault, lowerVault);
    } else {
         (fromVault, toVault) = (lowerVault, upperVault);
    }
```

6.14 Possibility to Exit Positions of Any Address

Security High Version 1 Code Corrected

In ERC20RootVault.withdraw, LP tokens are burned in a call to _burn from the address that is specified in the to parameter. Neither _burn nor any other statement in withdraw performs access control checks to verify if the msg.sender is allowed to burn the tokens of the given address. Thus, any user can burn LP tokens of a given address and transfer the underlying tokens to that address.

Finally, an incorrect event is emitted with msg.sender.

Code corrected:

The issues have been resolved in the updated code (Version 2). The function withdraw now burns only the LP tokens of the msg.sender, while transfers the underlying tokens to the address to specified by the caller.

6.15 Possible DOS From First Depositor

Security High Version 1 Code Corrected

The first user that calls deposit in ERC20RootVault can choose freely any amount (including zero) for each vault token, while the LP shares are set to the largest amount by the following loop in _getLpAmount:

```
for (uint256 i = 0; i < tvl_.length; ++i) {
   if (amounts[i] > lpAmount) {
      lpAmount = amounts[i];
   }
}
```

However, if the first user (on initialization or whenever totalSupply is zero) chooses to deposit only one token (e.g., token[0]) it makes impossible for other users to deposit other tokens (e.g., token[1]) as the totalSupply is not zero anymore, and _getNormalizedAmount considers the existing TVL:



```
// normalize amount
uint256 res = FullMath.mulDiv(tvl_, lpAmount, supply); // if tvl_ == 0, res = 0
```

The intended use of the function might be that the first deposit is done by a trusted account, but this is not enforced.

Code corrected:

A new constant FIRST_DEPOSIT_LIMIT is introduced and a require checks that each token amount is above this limit with tokenAmounts[i] > FIRST_DEPOSIT_LIMIT.

6.16 Setting Wrong State Variable

Correctness High Version 1 Code Corrected

The function _setOperatorParams in VaultGovernance, as the name suggests, should update the state variable _operatorParams, instead it overwrites the variable _protocolParams:

```
function _setOperatorParams(bytes memory params) internal {
   _requireAtLeastOperator();
   _protocolParams = params;
}
```

This mistake has severe consequences: operator gets admin privileges to set _protocolParams or can set a vault state to incorrect parameters. Finally, the functionality to initialize or update the _operatorParams is missing.

Code corrected:

The issue is resolved and now the function _setOperatorParams sets the operator params as intended. The natspec description has been updated accordingly also.

6.17 Wrong Formula in

_rebalanceUniV3Liquidity



The function _rebalanceUniV3Liquidity in LStrategy updates the value of liquidity as follows:

```
liquidity = uint128(
    FullMath.mulDiv(
        availableBalances[i],
        shouldDepositTokenAmountsD[i] - shouldWithdrawTokenAmountsD[i],
        DENOMINATOR
    )
);
```

The formula above is wrong, it multiplies two amounts in token[i], then divides the result with DENOMINATOR.



Code corrected:

The formula now multiplies with DENOMINATOR and divides by the token amount.

6.18 Wrong TVL Calculation in ERC20RootVault

Correctness High Version 1 Code Corrected

ERC20RootVault._getTvlToken0 calculates the TVL of the Vault denominated in the token at position 0 of an array of tokens. It iterates over all the tokens in the array, but only ever compares token with index 0 to token with index 1. It should, however, compare token with index 0 to the token with the current iteration's index. The function is only used in _calculatePerformanceFees.

```
for (uint256 i = 1; i < tvls.length; i++) {
     (uint256[] memory prices, ) = oracle.price(tokens[0], tokens[1], 0x28);</pre>
```

Code corrected:

The issue has been resolved as the correct index is now used when querying the price of tokens inside the loop.

6.19 liquidity Gets Overwritten in the Loop

Correctness High Version 1 Code Corrected

The following loop in LStrategy._rebalanceUniV3Liquidity updates the liquidity for vault tokens in a loop:

```
for (uint256 i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
    ...
    liquidity = uint128(
        FullMath.mulDiv(
            availableBalances[i],
            shouldDepositTokenAmountsD[i] - shouldWithdrawTokenAmountsD[i],
            DENOMINATOR
    )
    );
}</pre>
```

The final value of liquidity after the loop exists should be the minimum value calculated in each iteration, however, the loop above overwrites the liquidity on each iteration without performing any check.

Code corrected:

In <u>Version 2</u> the potentialLiquidity is computed on each iteration of the loop and it is compared with liquidity, hence liquidity can only decrease in the loop:



6.20 Wrong State Variable Updated

Design Medium Version 8 Code Corrected

The function LStrategy.rebalanceUniV3Vaults updates the wrong state variable when storing the timestamp of the ongoing rebalance:

```
require(
    block.timestamp >= lastRebalanceUniV3VaultsTimestamp + otherParams.secondsBetweenRebalances,
    ExceptionsLibrary.TIMESTAMP
);
lastRebalanceERC20UniV3VaultsTimestamp = block.timestamp;
```

Due to this error the throttling mechanism does not work as expected for the function rebalancing the two uniswap vaults. Furthermore, this also affects the throttling mechanism of the function rebalanceERC20UniV3Vaults.

Code corrected:

The issue has been fixed and the correct state variable is updated in rebalanceUniV3Vaults:

lastRebalanceUniV3VaultsTimestamp = block.timestamp;

6.21 Inconsistent Access Control for Rebalance in LStrategy

Design Medium Version 4 Specification Changed

The function LStrategy.rebalanceERC20Univ3Vaults restricts the access to only accounts with operator or admin roles. However, functions deposit and withdraw in the ERC20RootVault do not have any access restriction (unless the vault is private). The root vault has the operator role in LStrategy and for any deposit or withdraw operation, the vault triggers the rebalance function in LStrategy, hence circumventing the access control of the rebalance function.

Specification changed:

Mellow Finance has decided to remove the callback feature that triggered the rebalance in LStrategy. Now, the rebalance functions rebalanceERC20UniV3Vaults and rebalanceUniV3Vaults can be called only by whitelisted addresses with either admin or operator role. Note that, the callback feature is still present in ERC20RootVault in case future strategies will support the callback feature.



6.22 Inconsistent Sanity Check on First Deposit's Amounts

Design Medium Version 4 Code Corrected

The function ERC20RootVault.deposit runs the following loop for the first deposit (whenever totalSupply is 0) to check that all amounts are above a threshold FIRST_DEPOSIT_LIMIT (hard-coded to 10000):

```
if (totalSupply == 0) {
   for (uint256 i = 0; i < tokens.length; ++i) {
      require(tokenAmounts[i] > FIRST_DEPOSIT_LIMIT, ExceptionsLibrary.LIMIT_UNDERFLOW);
   }
}
```

The contract uses another set of thresholds per token _pullExistentials which are initialized as: 10**(token.decimals() / 2). Hence for tokens with more than 8 decimals, there is a gap between the two thresholds FIRST_DEPOSIT_LIMIT and _pullExistentials. If the first deposit includes an amount for a token in this gap, the contract does not allow new deposits for the token from other users as the respective TVL will be always below the threshold _pullExistentials. This behavior is enforced in _getLpAmount:

```
for (uint256 i = 0; i < tvlsLength; ++i) {
   if (tvl_[i] < pullExistentials[i]) {
      continue;
   }
   ...
}</pre>
```

and in the function _getNormalizedAmount:

```
if (tvl_ < existentialsAmount) {
    // use zero-normalization when all tvls are dust-like
    return 0;
}</pre>
```

Code corrected:

Mellow Finance now requires that the amount in the first deposit is 10 times the _pullExistentials.

6.23 Safety Level of Returned Prices Can Silently Downgrade

Security Medium Version 4 Specification Changed

The function UniV3Oracle.price returns more than one price depending on the value of safetyIndicesSet. UniV3Oracle supports 4 safety levels:

- Safety level 1: spot price.
- Safety level 2: average price based on observations from last 2.5 minutes.



- Safety level 3: average price based on observations from last 7.5 minutes.
- Safety level 4: average price based on observations from last 30 minutes.

If a Uniswap pool does not have enough observations required for a safety level, the oracle skips the prices for such safety levels and returns only prices with lower safety levels. The respective code:

```
for (uint256 i = 2; i < 5; i++) {
     ...
     (int24 tickAverage, , bool withFail) = OracleLibrary.consult(address(pool), observationTimeDelta);
     if (withFail) {
          break;
     }
     ...
}</pre>
```

Specifications changed:

The natspec description of IOracle.priceX96 has been updated to be more explicit about this behavior:

```
/// @notice It is possible that not all indices will have their respective prices returned.
```

Also, more detailed description has been added in UniV3Oracle.priceX96:

```
/// If there is no initialized pool for the passed tokens, empty arrays will be
   returned.
/// Depending on safetyIndicesSet if the 1st bit in safetyIndicesSet is non-zero, then
   the response will contain the spot price.
/// If there is a non-zero 2nd bit in the safetyIndicesSet and the corresponding
   position in the pool was created no later than |l|_OBS_DELTA seconds ago,
/// then the average price for the last |l|_OBS_DELTA seconds will be returned. The
   same logic exists for the 3rd and MID_OBS_DELTA, and 4th index and |hl|_OBS_DELTA.
```

6.24 Unfair Distribution of LP Shares in ERC20RootVault

```
Design Medium Version 3 Code Corrected
```

The ERC20RootVault charges the management, protocol and performance fees by minting new LP shares, hence inflating the total supply. The function _chargeFees is triggered on every deposit (and withdraw) action, hence the total supply of LP shares after a deposit increases more than the amount of LP shares awarded to the depositor. In this way, a second deposit of the same token amounts after the fees have been charged, receives more LP shares than the first one.

For example, assume that the ERC20RootVault has been initialized and a first user deposits 10 TokenA and 10 TokenB (assuming 0 decimals for simplicity) and receives 10 LP shares. As the fees will be charged on deposit, let's suppose another 1 LP share will be minted, hence in total there are 11 LP shares minted after the deposit. If a second user deposits the same amounts 10 TokenA and 10 TokenB, the function <code>_getLpAmount</code> will award 11 LP shares to the user although the same amounts were deposited.

Code corrected:



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The issue has been addressed by modifying the functions deposit to charge fees first and then compute the LP shares awarded to the user according to the new LP supply.

6.25 Conflicting Specifications for MStrategy

Correctness Medium Version 1 Specification Changed

The specifications of MStrategy have conflicting instructions. The section "TickMin and TickMax update" states:

tickMin and tickMax are initially set to some ad-hoc params. As soon as the current price — tick is greater than tickMax — tickNeiborhood or less than tickMin + tickNeiborhood the boundaries of the interval is expanded by tickIncrease amount.

In the rebalance steps, tickNeiborhood is used instead of tickIncrease:

- tick is greater than tickMax tickNeiborhood then new boundaries are [tickMin, tickMax + tickNeiborhood]
- tick is less than tickMin + tickNeiborhood then new boundaries are [tickMin - tickNeiborhood, tickMax]

Specification changed:

The specification was changed accordingly.

6.26 Implementation Differs From Specification

on _targetTokenRatioD

Correctness Medium Version 1 Code Corrected

The specifications use the following formula to compute the portions of tokens in a Uniswap v3 pool: |

$$W_X = \frac{tick - tickMax}{tickMin - tickMax}$$

However, the implementation uses the following code:

```
return (uint256(uint24(tick - tickMin)) * DENOMINATOR) / uint256(uint24(tickMax - tickMin));
```

which corresponds to the following formula: |

$$W_X = \frac{tick - tickMin}{tickMax - tickMin}$$

Code corrected:

The implementation of MStrategy._targetTokenRatioD has been updated to comply to the specification.



6.27 Incorrect Access of Addresses in

EnumerableSet

Correctness Medium Version 1 Code Corrected

Function <code>commitAllValidatorsSurpassedDelay</code> in the protocol governance contract has a for loop that iterates through <code>_stagedValidatorsAddresses</code> and commits the ones for which the delay period has passed. The respective code is:

```
for (uint256 i; i != length; i++) {
   address stagedAddress = _stagedValidatorsAddresses.at(0);
   if (block.timestamp >= stagedValidatorsTimestamps[stagedAddress]) {
        ...
   }
}
```

The variable stagedAddress inside the loop points always to the hard-coded index 0, hence if there is at least one address in staged validators for which the deadline has not passed, the loop will just run until it reaches i==length.

Code corrected:

The 0 was replaced by the index variable i. The loop exit conditions were changed to:

```
uint256 length = _stagedValidatorsAddresses.length();
...
uint256 addressesCommittedLength;
for (uint256 i; i != length;) {
    address stagedAddress = _stagedValidatorsAddresses.at(i);
    ...
    addressesCommitted[addressesCommittedLength] = stagedAddress;
    ++addressesCommittedLength;
    --length;
    ...
} else {
    ++i;
}
```

6.28 Missing Checks for Dust Amounts When Rebalancing Pools

Design Medium Version 1 Code Corrected

The function _rebalancePools in MStrategy rebalances the erc20Vault and moneyVault to comply to the specified ratio erc20MoneyRatioD. The rebalancing is performed always when a non-zero amount should be moved from one vault to the other, i.e., even for dust amounts. Considering that pull is relatively costly, the strategy would be more efficient if it performs the rebalancing of the two pools only if a minimum threshold of tokens should be moved.



Code corrected:

The updated code does not perform the token transfers if only dust amounts should be moved:

```
if ((absoluteTokenAmounts[0] < minDeviation) && (absoluteTokenAmounts[1] < minDeviation)) {
   return tokenAmounts;
}</pre>
```

6.29 Missing Delay Restriction in BaseValidator

Correctness Medium Version 1 Code Corrected

Setting the new params in BaseValidator follows the pattern stage-wait-commit. On staging the new parameters, the respective timestamp is updated:

```
_stagedValidatorParamsTimestamp = block.timestamp + governance.governanceDelay;
```

However, the admin of the governance can commit the staged parameters at any time, e.g., immediately after staging them, by calling commitValidatorParams as the function does not check if the delay period has passed.

Code corrected:

The function now checks the delay with a require validating block.timestamp >= _stagedValidatorParamsTimestamp.

6.30 Missing Sanity Checks in signOrder

Security Medium Version 1 Code Corrected

The function signOrder in LStrategy performs some sanity checks if the submitted order is in line with the values of the posted preOrder. However, the check for order.receiver is missing, therefore the caller can set any arbitrary address and receive the buyToken.

Code corrected:

The code doing the sanity checks for order in signOrder has been moved to the separate function LStrategyOrderHelper.checkOrder which includes the check that the receiver is the erc20Vault.

6.31 No Slippage Protection in Multiple Contracts

Security Medium Version 1 Code Corrected

push and pull functions in UniV3Vault take options arguments that contain the minimum amount of tokens for slippage protection.



push and pull functions in MellowVault take an options argument that contains the minimum amount of LP tokens for slippage protection.

In the following cases, these options are not used:

- ERC20RootVault.deposit calls AggregateVault._push without options, which could result in a call to _push of one of the described Vault``s without slippage protection if the first ``subVault of the ERC20RootVault is one of the described Vault s. With the current contract setup, this is not possible though.
- ERC20RootVault.withdraw calls AggregateVault._pull without options, which could result in a call to _pull of one of the described ``Vault``s without slippage protection.
- MStrategy.manualPull calls pull of an arbitrary Vault without options, which could result in a call to _pull of one of the described ``Vault``s without slippage protection.
- MStrategy._rebalancePools calls pull of an arbitrary Vault without options, which could result in a call to _pull of one of the described ``Vault``s without slippage protection.
- MStrategy._swapToTarget calls pull of an arbitrary Vault without options, which could result in a call to _pull of one of the described ``Vault``s without slippage protection.

Code corrected:

A new parameter with option for slippage protection was introduced.

6.32 Possible Underflow in UniV3Oracle.price

Correctness Medium Version 1 Code Corrected

The UniV3Oracle computes the price of two tokens based on two observations obs1 and obs0 from the Uniswap. The respective code is:

The obj1 points to the previous observation (the one before the most recent observation), while the obj0 should point to bfAvg observations before obj1. However, in case:

```
bfAvg == observationCardinality
```

obj0 would point to the most recent observation, which would have a more recent timestamp than obj1, hence the statement to compute timespan would cause an underflow which reverts.

Code corrected:



The possibility of the underflow as described above has been mitigated in the updated code as the bfAvg cannot be equal to obersvationCardinality:

```
if (observationCardinality <= bfAvg) {
    continue;
}</pre>
```

Note that, the oracle does not return a price if for some pool bfAvg is equal to the observations cardinality.

6.33 Rebalance in LStrategy Can Leave Tokens in the Vault to Be Closed



The internal function _rebalanceUniV3Liquidity should move the desiredLiquidity from one vault to the other depending on the price trend. If the price moves outside the range covered by a vault, all liquidity should be moved to the other vault and a new position should be open. However, given that lowerVault and upperVault operate on different price ranges, it means that they have different token ratios. Hence, when moving tokens from one vault to the other, the function caps the liquidity being transferred to the available balance in the cash position that can fill the token difference of two positions (the relevant code is shown below). However, if the cash position has insufficient balance to cover the difference for the whole liquidity being transferred, fromVault will have some remaining liquidity, hence it cannot be closed. As a consequence, a new Uniswap position cannot be created to cover the price as intended.

```
uint128 potentialLiquidity = uint128(
   FullMath.mulDiv(
        availableBalances[i],
        DENOMINATOR,
        shouldDepositTokenAmountsD[i] - shouldWithdrawTokenAmountsD[i]
    )
);
liquidity = potentialLiquidity < liquidity ? potentialLiquidity : liquidity;</pre>
```

Code corrected:

The function LStrategy._rebalanceUniV3Liquidity has been modified in Version 3 to withdraw everything from a vault when desiredLiquidity is set to maximum value of uint128, which is the case when a vault is to be closed. The relevant code is:

```
uint256[] memory withdrawTokenAmounts = fromVault.liquidityToTokenAmounts(
    desiredLiquidity == type(uint128).max ? desiredLiquidity : liquidity
);
pulledAmounts = fromVault.pull(
    address(erc20Vault),
    tokens,
    withdrawTokenAmounts,
    _makeUniswapVaultOptions(minWithdrawTokens, deadline)
);
```



The array withdrawTokenAmounts will have huge amounts when the desiredLiquidity is set to max uint128, but the pull operation is capped to the existing balance of the fromVault.

6.34 Subvault Tokens Are Not Checked in

AggregateVault

Correctness Medium Version 1 Code Corrected

AggregateVault requires the _vaultTokens state array to be initialized with the same tokens and the same ordering all the subvaults have been initialized with. However, this is not enforced upon initialization.

Code corrected:

When initializing, the vault of the nft is queried in AggregateVault.initialize. The vault's tokens are queried afterwards with the call <code>IIntegrationVault(vault).vaultTokens()</code>. A loop checks for each token in the vault if it matches the tokens from the initialization arguments.

6.35 Transferring Tokens Only to lowerVault

Correctness Medium Version 1 Code Corrected

The following code should transfer tokens from erc20Vault to the two Uniswap vaults with the respective amounts:

```
if (!isNegativeCapitalDelta) {
    totalPulledAmounts = erc20Vault.pull(
        address(lowerVault),
        tokens,
        lowerTokenAmounts,
        _makeUniswapVaultOptions(minLowerVaultTokens, deadline)
);
    pulledAmounts = erc20Vault.pull(
        address(lowerVault),
        tokens,
        upperTokenAmounts,
        _makeUniswapVaultOptions(minUpperVaultTokens, deadline)
);
    for (uint256 i = 0; i < 2; i++) {
        totalPulledAmounts[i] += pulledAmounts[i];
}</pre>
```

Both transfers above are from the erc20Vault to the lowerVault, hence no tokens are transferred to the upperVault.

Code corrected:

The bug has been fixed, the code now transfers the respective amounts to the lowerVault and upperVault.



6.36 Use of Libraries

Design Medium Version 1 Code Corrected

Mellow Finance often uses own custom code for which battle proof libraries exist. We highly recommend using libraries instead of custom implementations. Especially, when dealing with complex DeFi projects like Uniswap V3.

Code Corrected:

The code part were most issues were found was the Uniswap oracle. In **Version 3** Mellow Finance switched to the libraries provided by uniswap to interact with the oracle.

6.37 Missing Sanity Checks for

intervalWidthInTicks

Design Low Version 5 Code Corrected

The function LStrategy.updateOtherParams does not perform any sanity check on the intervalWidthInTicks. However, this parameter should be carefully updated as it affects directly the tick ranges covered by the two Uniswap vaults. For example, if the new width in ticks is the half of the existing one, the range of the new position would be fully covered by the existing vault (created with old width).

Code corrected:

In the updated version of the codebase, the parameter <code>intervalWidthInTicks</code> is declared as an <code>immutable</code> state variable, hence it set in the constructor and cannot be updated later.

6.38 Possible Attack by First Depositor

Security Low Version 5 Specification Changed

The decimals of the LP shares distributed by root vaults are implicitly determined by the token amounts deposited by the first user. If the totalSupply ever goes to zero, or all TVLs are not significant, the next user that performs a deposit would affect the decimals of LP shares. This setup allows the first depositor to front-run and potentially exploit the next user depositing into the root vault. Consider the following example.

- 1. First Depositors deposits 10 WBTC (8 decimals, so 10**9 wei) and 10**-9 DAI (18 decimals, so 10**9 wei)
 - Receives 10**9 LP Tokens (= max(10**9, 10**9))
- 2. Second Depositor also sends a transaction to deposit 10 WBTC and 10**-9 DAI
 - Expects to receive also 10**9 LP Tokens, hence sets minLpTokens = 10**9
- 3. First depositor front-runs the transaction and performs these actions:



- withdraw() => withdraws everything, no fees charged
- deposit() => deposit 10**5 WBTC wei and 10**10 DAI wei => Receives 10**10 LP tokens
- withdraw() => withdraws ~ 9 * 10**9 LP => TVLs = [10**4 1 WBTC wei, 10**9 1 USDC wei]
- First depositor still has ~ 10**9 LP
- 4. Transaction of second depositor is executed
 - _getLpAmount -> isSignificantTvl == False
 - Receives 10**9 LP tokens => slippage protection passes
 - Deposits 10 WBTC and 10**-9 DAI
- 5. First depositor withdraws their ~ 10**9 LP and receives ~ 5 WBTC (after depositing only 0.0001 WBTC)

Specifications changed:

The updated code mitigates the attack presented above by enforcing the first deposit into a root vault to mint LP shares to address(0). To prevent from accidentally depositing large amounts in the first deposit (and effectively burning LP shares), the function checks that all amounts being deposited are between 10 * _pullExistentials[i] and a full token. Nevertheless, one full token might still have significant value for some tokens, e.g., WBTC or ETH.

6.39 Possible Optimization on _chargePerformanceFees

```
Design Low Version 5 Code Corrected
```

The function _chargePerformanceFees in ERC20RootVault mints LP tokens to the treasury address as follows:

```
uint256 toMint;
if (hwmsD18 > 0) {
   toMint = FullMath.mulDiv(baseSupply, lpPriceD18 - hwmsD18, hwmsD18);
   toMint = FullMath.mulDiv(toMint, performanceFee, CommonLibrary.DENOMINATOR);
}
lpPriceHighWaterMarkD18 = lpPriceD18;
_mint(treasury, toMint);
```

The function would be more gas efficient if the minting is executed only for non-zero values, hence only minting when the if-condition is satisfied.

Code corrected:

In the updated code, the statement $_{mint(...)}$ is moved inside the if-block, hence minting only non-zero amounts.



6.40 Possible Violation of the Minimum Token Amounts After the First Deposit

Design Low Version 5 Code Corrected

The function ERC20RootVault.deposit checks on the first deposit that all token amounts are larger than a minimum value 10 * _pullExistentials[i]. If the TVL for a token goes below the threshold, users cannot make deposits for that token. However, the first depositor can circumvent the restriction for the minimum token amounts by performing an withdrawal after the deposit.

Code corrected:

The issue presented above is not present anymore in the updated code base as the first deposit always mints LP shares to address(0).

6.41 Misleading Function Name and Natspec



The function LStrategy.targetPrice returns the price in x96 format. Neither the function name, nor the natspec description clarify the format of the return value. We have reported another issue in a calling function which assumed the price to be returned in a different format.

Code corrected:

The codebase has been updated to make more explicit in the function name and natspec description of getTargetPriceX96 that the returned price is in x96 format. Similarly, other functions that return the price in x96 format are renamed accordingly.

6.42 Mismatch of Specifications for StrategyParams

Correctness Low (Version 4) Code Corrected

The natspec description for the struct StrategyParams states that the params are changed with a delay:

/// @notice Params that could be changed by Strategy or Protocol Governance with Protocol Governance delay.

while the natspec description of the function setStrategyParams states that they are changed immediately, which is in line with the implementation:

// @notice Set Strategy params, i.e. Params that could be changed by Strategy or Protocol Governance immediately.

Core corrected

The natspec was corrected and does not mention the governance delay.



6.43 Missing Sanity Check for maxSlippageD in MStrategy

Design Low Version 4 Code Corrected

The function MStrategy.setOracleParams does not check that maxSlippageD is greater than zero, but if it is accidentally set to zero, the following code will revert always: .. code::solidity

require(absoluteDeviation < oracleParams.maxTickDeviation, ExceptionsLibrary.INVARIANT);

Code corrected:

The function setOracleParams is updated to include a check that the new maxSlippageD parameter is not zero:

```
require((params.maxSlippageD > 0) && (params.maxSlippageD <= DENOMINATOR), ExceptionsLibrary.INVARIANT);
```

6.44 Missing Sanity Checks for oracleSafetyMask



The function LStrategy.updateTradingParams performs sanity checks on the maxSlippageD, orderDeadline and oracle, but no checks are performed for oracleSafetyMask. This parameter should be non-zero for functions that query the oracle to work properly. Additionally, the function could check that at least one oracle with high safety index is included always.

Code corrected:

An additional check is added when new trading params are set by the admin. The check fort the new oracle safety mask is: newTradingParams.oracleSafetyMask > 3.

6.45 Possible Struct Optimization in Strategies

Design Low Version 4 Code Corrected

Mellow Finance might want to consider to optimize some structs in the code base. E.g., in:

```
struct TradingParams {
    uint32 maxSlippageD;
    uint32 orderDeadline;
    uint256 oracleSafetyMask;
    IOracle oracle;
    ...

struct PreOrder {
    address tokenIn;
    address tokenOut;
    uint256 amountIn;
```



```
uint256 minAmountOut;
uint256 deadline;
}

struct RatioParams {
  int24 tickMin;
  int24 tickMax;
  uint256 erc20MoneyRatioD;
  int24 minTickRebalanceThreshold;
  int24 tickNeighborhood;
  int24 tickIncrease;
  uint256 minErc20MoneyRatioDeviationOD;
  uint256 minErc20MoneyRatioDeviation1D;
}
```

Some of the variables will not take up a whole word and could be reordered to be packed tightly if needed.

Code corrected:

The variables in the structs listed above are reordered to be more efficient when stored in storage in the updated code.

6.46 Redundant Comparisons

```
Design Low Version 4 Code Corrected
```

The function Univ3Vault._getMinMaxPrice implements the following code:

```
minPriceX96 = prices[0];
maxPriceX96 = prices[0];
for (uint32 i = 0; i < prices.length; ++i) {
   if (prices[i] < minPriceX96) {
        ...</pre>
```

Note that minPriceX96 and maxPriceX96 are assigned to prices[0] before the for-loop, so the first iteration of the loop is redundant.

Code corrected:

The for-loop has been updated to start from i = 1 which avoids the redundant checks.

6.47 Redundant Storage Read in

ERC20Vault._pull



_vaultTokens is a state variable that is read multiple times in the _pull function even though it is stored in memory at the beginning of the function in tokens.



Code corrected:

The function has been revised to avoid storage reads for _vaultTokens, instead the value stored in memory tokens is now used.

6.48 Variables Can Be Declared as Constant



The variable MAX_ESTIMATED_AAVE_APY in AaveVaultGovernance is declared as immutable and assigned to a constant in constructor. Similarly, MAX_PROTOCOL_FEE, MAX_MANAGEMENT_FEE and MAX PERFORMANCE FEE in ERC20RootVaultGovernance can be declared as constants.

Code corrected:

All immutable variables listed above are converted to constants.

6.49 Incorrect Specification for reclaimTokens

Correctness Low Version 3 Specification Changed

The following statement in IntegrationVault regarding the function reclaimTokens is incorrect:

/// `reclaimTokens` for mistakenly transfered tokens (not included into vaultTokens) /// additionally can be withdrawn by the protocol admin

Specification changed:

The statement in IntegrationVault has been changed as:

/// `reclaimTokens` for claiming rewards given by an underlying protocol to ${\tt erc20Vault}$ in order to sell them there

6.50 Missing Natspec Description for

minDeviation

Correctness Low Version 2 Code Corrected

The parameter minDeviation in the function LStrategy._liquidityDelta has no natspec description.

Code Corrected:

The description for minDeviation was added.



6.51 Casting of maxTickDeviation

Security Low Version 1 Code Corrected

maxTickDeviation is declared as uint24 in the struct OracleParams. In function _getAverageTickChecked, the variable is casted as int24:

```
int24 maxDeviation = int24(oracleParams.maxTickDeviation);
```

For large values of maxTickDeviation, an overflow can happen when casting as int24.

Code corrected:

The deviation is now converted to an absolute value and directly compared to the maxDeviation without casting it to an int24.

6.52 Check Requirements First

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

Multiple functions can be more efficient by checking all requirements first (fail early), before performing expensive operations, such as external calls. We list below some examples (not an exhaustive list):

- UniV2Validator: in validate both branches of the if condition require the msg.sender to be the address to. The function can be optimized by checking the requirement first, and then performing the call to _verifyPath function.
- UniV2Validator: the function _verifyPath can be optimized by checking the following requirement first, before making external calls in the loop:

```
require(vault.isVaultToken(path[path.length - 1]), ExceptionsLibrary.INVALID_TOKEN);
```

• UniV3Validator: the function _verifyMultiCall can be optimized by checking the following requirement first, before iterating through path and making external calls:

```
require(recipient == address(vault), ExceptionsLibrary.INVALID_TARGET);
```

Code corrected:

The updated code Version 3 performs the checks first before executing other operations that might be expensive for the cases listed above.

6.53 Duplicate Code _permissionIdsToMask



The function revokePermissions in the ProtocolGovernance contract implements the following loop:



```
uint256 diff;
for (uint256 i = 0; i < permissionIds.length; ++i) {
      diff |= 1 << permissionIds[i];
}</pre>
```

which is a duplicate of the _permissionIdsToMask function.

Code corrected:

The code part was replaced by a call to the _permissionIdsToMask function.

6.54 Duplicate Storage Read in Deposit



In ERC20RootVault.deposit the variable totalSupply is read for the check if it is 0 and later again to be loaded into memory.

Code corrected:

The redundant storage read is eliminated in the updated code and the value stored in memory supply is used instead.

6.55 Inconsistent Specifications

Correctness Low (Version 1) Specification Changed

In the specifications of struct IProtocolGovernance.Params:

- permissionless is described but it's not a member of the struct.
- maxTokensPerVault has the description that it stores the maximum tokens managed by the protocol, not a vault as the name suggests.
- protocolTreasury is not described.

In the specifications of unitPrices, the comment staged for commit is wrong.

Specifications changed:

The specifications have been updated in (Version 2) to address the issues reported above.

6.56 Inefficient Array Shrinking



ProtocolGovernance.addressesByPermission

and

ProtocolGovernance.commitAllPermissionGrantsSurpassedDelay create arrays with extended length and copy the values to a newly generated array with the correct size. This can be more efficiently done with mstore assembly, which is also used in various other places in the code.



Code corrected:

The array is now cut to length via mstore as in other parts of the code.

6.57 Inefficient State Variable Packing

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

lastFeeCharge and totalWithdrawnAmountsTimestamp in ERC20RootVault are declared as uint256. Both are timestamps; hence, it might be more efficient to pack them as uint64. This only makes sense if they are used and loaded together, which would be possible in the current code base. Similarly, other structs in other contracts can be more storage-efficient by packing variables together.

Code corrected:

Both variables lastFeeCharge and totalWithdrawnAmountsTimestamp have been declared as uint64 in the updated code.

6.58 Misleading Naming of Variables in

UniV3Oracle

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

The function price uses variable names that are inconsistent with the variable names of Uniswap. Namely, the variables tick0 and tick1 refer to tickCumulative variables of Uniswap and not normal ticks.

Similarly, the array pricesX96 temporarily stores prices in square root format which are typically referred to as sqrtPriceX96. These inconsistencies make the reading of the code harder.

Code Corrected:

The variables were renamed accordingly.

6.59 Missing Sanity Check in

MStrategy.createStrategy

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

In MStrategy.createStrategy any token array could be passed in, but the strategy can only handle two tokens. There is no sanity check to limit the number of tokens. The fee parameter is also not checked even though it could only take a limited range of values.

Code corrected:



The sanity check on the tokens array is added in the initialize function which is called when a new strategy is created. The sanity check for the fee parameter is performed when the pool address is queried:

```
pool = IUniswapV3Pool(factory.getPool(tokens[0], tokens[1], fee_));
require(address(pool) != address(0), ExceptionsLibrary.ADDRESS_ZERO);
```

6.60 Missing Sanity Checks for Params



LStrategy.updateRatioParams and LStrategy.updateOtherParams do not perform sanity checks on all the params.

Code Corrected:

Both functions now perform basic sanity checks for the arguments.

6.61 Misspelled Variable Names



Function deposit in ERC20RootVault declares a variable with misspelled name: delayedStaretgyParams.

Struct ratioParams in MStrategy declares a variable with misspelled name: tickNeiborhood.

Code corrected:

Both variable names have been corrected in the updated code.

6.62 Possible Struct Optimization

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

Mellow Finance might want to consider to optimize some structs in the code base. E.g., in:

```
struct TradingParams {
    uint256 maxSlippageD;
    uint256 minRebalanceWaitTime;

...

struct RatioParams {
    uint256 erc20Univ3CapitalRatioD;
    uint256 erc20TokenRatioD;
    uint256 minErc20Univ3CapitalRatioDeviationD;
    uint256 minErc20TokenRatioDeviationD;
    uint256 minErc20TokenRatioDeviationD;
    uint256 minUniv3LiquidityRatioDeviationD
```



Code corrected:

The examples above and some other structs were changed. We assume that Mellow Finance evaluated all structs if an optimization is suitable and shall be applied.

6.63 Rebalance in MStrategy Is Inconsistent

Correctness Low Version 1 Code Corrected

MStrategy provides only one function for rebalancing (rebalance) which calls _rebalancePools to enforce the predetermined ratio for the pools (erc20Vault and moneyVault) and then calls _rebalanceTokens to enforce the token ratio for the erc20Vault. The latter calls _swapToTarget which, in specific cases, pulls tokens from the moneyVault to the erc20Vault:

```
if (amountIn > erc20Tvl[tokenInIndex]) {
    ...
    moneyVault_.pull(address(erc20Vault_), tokens_, tokenAmounts, "");
    ...
}
```

This transfer of tokens from moneyVault to the erc20Vault would break the balance set in the function _rebalancePools called in the beginning of the rebalance process.

Code corrected:

The function rebalance has been updated to perform first the rebalance of tokens in the erc20Vault, which includes any potential swap. Afterwards, the function calls _rebalancePools which enforces the predetermined ratio of TVLs for the erc20Vault and moneyVault.

6.64 Specification for minDeviation Not Enforced

Correctness Low Version 1 Code Corrected

The function rebalanceERC20UniV3Vaults in LStrategy calls the function _liquidityDelta and provides the minimum required deviation for a rebalance to be performed. _liquidityDelta checks the current deviation and if it is lower than the required minimum, it returns 0. However, the calling function does not check the return value, hence continues the execution of the function although no tokens will be moved.

Code corrected:

The check below for the return value of the function <code>_liquidityDelta</code> has been added. Now the function returns immediately if <code>capitalDelta</code> is equal to 0 due to current deviation being smaller than the minimum required deviation:



```
(capitalDelta, isNegativeCapitalDelta) = _liquidityDelta(...);
if (capitalDelta == 0) {
   return (pulledAmounts, false);
}
```

6.65 Storing Redundant Data in Storage

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

The function addUniv3Pools stores two entities in the mapping for each pair of tokens:

```
poolsIndex[token0][token1] = pool;
poolsIndex[token1][token0] = pool;
```

Given that there is only one Uniswap pool for a pair of tokens and a fee, the tokens can be sorted and stored only once in the mapping: tokenA -> tokenB -> pool, assuming tokenA < tokenB.

Code corrected:

The mapping poolsIndex now stores only one entry for a pair of tokens token0 -> token1 -> pool.

6.66 Unnecessary Approval to Vault Registry

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

Function _initialize in Vault has the following line which gives approval to the vault registry, but it is unnecessary as VaultRegistry is the implementation contract of the NFT token:

```
registry.setApprovalForAll(address(registry), true);
```

Code corrected:

The statement giving the approval has been removed from the function in (Version 2).

6.67 Unused Constant in ERC20Validator

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

ERC20Validator declares the following constant, but it is not used:

```
bytes4 public constant EXCHANGE_SELECTOR = 0x3df02124;
```

Code corrected:



6.68 Unused Event DeployedVault

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

The contract VaultGovernance defines the event DeployedVault but it is not used in the current code base.

Code corrected:

The updated code emits the event DeployedVault when a new vault is created.

6.69 Unused Function

LStrategy._priceX96FromTick



The internal function LStrategy. _priceX96FromTick is not used in the LStrategy.

Code corrected:

The function was removed from the L Strategy.

6.70 Unused Imports

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

Throughout the code base we found many unused imports. Due to the number of unused imports, the following list is non-exhaustive and list only examples:

```
-MellowOracle
```

```
import "@openzeppelin/contracts/utils/structs/EnumerableSet.sol"
import "../libraries/CommonLibrary.sol";

• UniV2Oracle
    import "../libraries/ExceptionsLibrary.sol"

• UniV3Oracle
    import "../libraries/ExceptionsLibrary.sol"

• LStrategy
    import "../interfaces/IVaultRegistry.sol"
    import "../interfaces/utils/IContractMeta.sol"

• MStrategy
    import "@openzeppelin/contracts/token/ERC20/utils/SafeERC20.sol";
```



• CowswapValidator

```
import "../libraries/CommonLibrary.sol"
    import "../libraries/PermissionIdsLibrary.sol"
• CurveValidator
    import "../libraries/CommonLibrary.sol"
    import "@openzeppelin/contracts/utils/structs/EnumerableSet.sol"
    import "../interfaces/validators/IValidator.sol";
• ERC20Validator
    import "../libraries/CommonLibrary.sol"
• UniV2Validator and UniV3Validator
    import "../interfaces/validators/IValidator.sol";
    import "../libraries/CommonLibrary.sol"
    import "@openzeppelin/contracts/utils/structs/EnumerableSet.sol"
• AaveVault
    import "../interfaces/vaults/IVault.sol"
• AggregateVault
    import "../interfaces/vaults/IAggregateVault.sol";
    import "../libraries/PermissionIdsLibrary.sol"
• ERC20RootVault
    import "../interfaces/utils/IContractMeta.sol"
```

Code partially corrected:

The unused imports have been removed from the respective contracts for all examples listed above, except for the SafeERC20 import in the MStrategy.

6.71 Wrong Check of Minimum Token Amounts in

ERC20RootVault.withdraw

Correctness Low Version 1 Code Corrected

ERC20RootVault.withdraw compares the token amounts a user wants to receive at minimum with the calculated token amounts, but not the token amounts that are actually returned after pulling from underlying Vault s. This could potentially result in the user receiving less tokens than anticipated.

Code corrected:

The actual token amounts pulled from vaults are now validated against the minimum amounts provided by the user: `` require(actualTokenAmounts[i] >= minTokenAmounts[i],...);``



6.72 Wrong Specification for YearnVault.tvl

Correctness Low Version 1 Specification Changed

The specification in YearnVault mentions that YearnVault.tvl returns a cached value when in fact it does not.

Specification changed:

The specification has been updated in Version 3 and the statement about the cached value has been removed.

6.73 ContractRegistry DOS

Security Low Version 1 Code Corrected

ContractRegistry.registerContract checks that the version of a registered contract is always increasing in:

require(newContractVersion > _latestVersion(newContractName), ExceptionsLibrary.INVARIANT);

If a contract is deployed with a version set to max uint, this would be the last contract possible to add to the system. No contracts could be added afterwards.

Code corrected:

Mellow Finance introduced major and minor contract version. The 16 right most bytes are the minor version and the remaining bytes to the right the major version. A require ensures that with each call to registerContract the major version can only increase by 1 with newContractVersionMajor - latestContractVersionMajor <= 1.

6.74 ERC20Vault._pull Forces Push of Wrong Amount of Tokens

Correctness Low (Version 1) Code Corrected

In ERC20Vault._pull, if tokens are not pulled to the ERC20RootVault, the receiving Vault is forced to push the received tokens. The token amounts to be pushed are set in actualTokenAmounts, but this variable is never used. Instead tokenAmounts is used.

Code corrected:

The code has been corrected to push into the integration vault the amounts as stored in actualTokenAmounts.



6.75 IntegrationVault._root Does Not Check the NFT of the Root Vault

Correctness Low Version 1 Code Corrected

IntegrationVault._root tries to verify the initialization of a given Vault and its corresponding ERC20RootVault with the following code:

require(thisNft + thisOwnerNft != 0, ExceptionsLibrary.INIT);

If thisNft is set (greater than 0) and thisOwnerNft equals 0, no revert will happen. _root is called in pull only. pull already checks that the argument thisNft given to _root is not equal to 0 which renders the require useless.

Code corrected:

The statement was changed and checks each variable separately if it is zero in (thisNft != 0) && (thisOwnerNft != 0).

6.76 VaultGovernance.commitInternalParams Does Not Delete Staged Parameters

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

VaultGovernance.commitInternalParams does not delete the _stagedInternalParams state variable.

Code corrected:

The state variable _stagedInternalParams is now deleted after it is applied.

6.77 registry.ownerOf **Is Called Twice in** IntegrationVault.pull

Design Low Version 1 Code Corrected

 $\hbox{registry.ownerOf is called twice with the same value in $\operatorname{IntegrationVault.pull}$, inducing unnecessary additional gas costs.}$

Code corrected:

The obvious redundant call to registry.ownerOf was removed. Still, there would be another call in _isApprovedOrOwner.



7 Notes

We leverage this section to highlight further findings that are not necessarily issues. The mentioned topics serve to clarify or support the report, but do not require an immediate modification inside the project. Instead, they should raise awareness in order to improve the overall understanding.

7.1 Approximated TVL for Aave Vaults

Note Version 4

The function <code>AaveVault.tvl()</code> computes an approximate total value locked (TVL) based on the time passed since the last time the function <code>updateTvls</code> was called and the parameter <code>estimatedAaveAPY</code>:

```
uint256 apy = IAaveVaultGovernance(address(_vaultGovernance)).delayedProtocolParams().estimatedAaveAPY;
factor = CommonLibrary.DENOMINATOR + FullMath.mulDiv(apy, timeElapsed, CommonLibrary.YEAR);
```

Note that the parameter <code>estimatedAaveAPY</code> is set by the protocol admin for all tokens of the vault, hence the function <code>tvl</code> might return incorrect values if <code>updateTvls</code> is not called frequently.

7.2 Balances Are Drained Faster in Vaults With Lower Index

Note Version 1

AggregateVault._pull pulls funds out of the underlying Vault's by pulling the maximum amount out of each Vault sequentially. This drains funds faster from Vault's depending on their index in the _subvaultNfts state variable.

7.3 Deposits Can Be Blocked by Updating StrategyParams

Note Version 1

The function ERC20RootVaultGovernance.setStrategyParams does not perform any sanity check for the new parameters being set, hence if tokenLimitPerAddress or tokenLimit is set to zero, the functionality to deposit is blocked. The sanity checks are not enforced intentionally as the admin might use these parameters to block deposits into a root vault by updating these parameters.

7.4 Deprecated Function _setupRole

Note Version 1

DefaultAccessControl and DefaultAccessControlLateInit use the function _setupRole, which according to its specification is deprecated:

```
/**
 * NOTE: This function is deprecated in favor of {_grantRole}.
 */
```



7.5 Duplicate Declaration of DENOMINATOR

Note Version 1

Both MStrategy and LStrategy import CommonLibrary which declares the constant DENOMINATOR, however, they also declare the constant as well.

7.6 Dust LP Shares Are Burned

Note Version 6

If a user decides to redeem its LP shares in a root vault by calling the function withdraw, and if at the time of this action the amount of remaining LP shares represents less than the threshold existentials in underlying tokens, the whole user's LP balance is burned. Put shortly, the function prevents users from leaving dust amounts in LP shares when withdrawing.

7.7 External Functions in ContractMeta

Note Version 1

ContractMeta implements external pure functions, and currently they are called only by registerContract in ContractRegistry. The calls are performed as three external calls, which increase gas costs, as there is no function in ContractMeta returning all values in a single external call.

7.8 LP Tokens of the First Deposit Are Burned

Note Version 6

In Version 6 of the code base, the LP tokens of the first user depositing into a root vault are always send to address (0), practically burning them.

7.9 Locked Token or ETH

Note Version 1

ERC20 tokens could be accidentally/intentionally sent to any contract. In such cases the tokens will be locked. Only externalCall for intergration vaults offers some functionality to recover funds.

7.10 No Checks for Address to on ERC20Token Transfer

Note Version 1

The functions transfer and transferFrom in ERC20Token do not perform any sanity check for the address to, hence making it possible to burn tokens by sending them to address 0x0.



7.11 Non Canonical Signatures

Note Version 4

The function IntegrationVault.isValidSignature uses the library function CommonLibrary.recoverSigner to validate signatures if the strategy is an externally owned account. Note that, the function recoverSigner does not perform any sanity check on values r, s and v to ensure that only unique signatures validate successfully. Therefore, callers of this function should be aware of possible attacks (https://swcregistry.io/docs/SWC-117).

7.12 Non-indexed Event Topics

Note Version 1

Some events have already hit the limit of three indexed topics. But the events in UnitPricesGovernance have not and do not index the token address. Given that the unit price update could be important to users, making the token address indexed, makes it easier to filter the events for specific tokens.

There are some other events like <code>DeployedVault</code> in <code>VaultGovernance</code>, <code>ReclaimTokens</code> and <code>Pull</code> in <code>IntegrationVault</code> and <code>RebalancedUniV3</code> in <code>LStrategy</code> where one more index could be set. Additionally, some events could emit the nft which might be worth indexing (it e.g., is done in <code>SetStrategyParams</code>). This is just noted and up to Mellow Finance to decide.

7.13 OracleParams in MStrategy

Note Version 5

Te admin of MStrategy should carefully set the OracleParams. The admin should ensure that the Uniswap used for the oracle has enough observations to cover oracleObservationDelta, otherwise the function _getAverageTickChecked called in _rebalanceTokens will only use the spot price, hence making the rebalance function vulnerable to sandwich attacks. Additionally, the parameter maxTickDeviation should be carefully chosen to enforce proper slippage protection for the rebalance.

7.14 Performance Fee Capped

Note Version 5

ERC20RootVault._chargePerformanceFees only charges performance fees for the strategy if the price of LP tokens has reached a new high score. When prices have fallen, the fees are still not charged even when prices climb again until this all-time high has been reached again.

Additionally, if all liquidity providers withdraw their funds and the totalSupply is zero, or all token TVLs are less than _pullExistentials, the previous high score lpPriceHighWaterMarkD18 is not reset, hence performance fees might not be collected as expected.

7.15 Rebalance of Uniswap Vaults in LStrategy

Note Version 4

The function rebalanceUniV3Vaults maintains a ratio of tokens in the two Uniswap positions depending on the move of the current price. If the price goes up, more tokens are transferred into the upperVault from the lowerVault, and vice-versa. The function is designed in a way that it tries to add



the same liquidity amount into the destination vault that is removed from the other vault. However, since the two vaults operate in different price ranges, the same liquidity amount translates into different token amounts. The token in the cash position (erc20Vault) are used to cover for the difference. Consequently the ratio between the cash position (erc20Vault) and the money vaults (lowerVault and upperVault) is affected.

7.16 Rollback Individual Validators Not Possible

Note Version 1

ProtocolGovernance implements a function to rollback all staged validators, but there is no functionality to rollback individual staged validators.

7.17 Special Behavior in ERC20Token

Note (Version 1)

The function transferFrom has a special behavior when allowance==type(uint256).max, as the allowance is never reduced when these transfers occur. This special behavior should be properly documented as users should be aware of it.

7.18 Trust Setup

Note Version 1

The system has multiple trusted roles and heavily relies on admin operations to work. E.g., setting oracles and the admin needs to maintain enough funds to open new Uniswap positions.

7.19 Uneven Gas Distribution on deposit and

withdraw

Note Version 1

Fees are not calculated on every transaction. Therefore, some users are burdened with more gas costs than others depending on the time they are performing their withdraw and deposit actions.

7.20 Unit Prices Amounts

Note Version 5

The admin in UnitPricesGovernance can set the amounts of a given token that match the value of 1 USD. The prices are set with a delay of 14 days, hence the prices are not supposed to reflect the market price. Note that, for valuable tokens with few decimals, it might be impossible to store the correct token amount that matches 1 USD.



7.21 Unnecessary Creation of Pair

Note Version 1

In UniV3Vault._push and UniV3Vault._pullUniV3Nft, a Pair is created and not used as a Pair afterwards. Instead, the particular values are extracted from the Pair, rendering the creation of the Pair useless.

7.22 ContractRegistry Functions Truncate

name



Functions versions, versionAddress and latestVersion in ContractRegistry truncate the input parameter name_ to 32 bytes:

```
bytes32 name = bytes32(bytes(name_));
```

If these functions are called with $name_$ longer than 32 bytes, the return value would be based on the truncated input parameter $name_$, which is inconsistent behavior.

Furthermore, the function latestVersion parses the input parameter name_ differently from other functions:

```
bytes32 name = bytes32(abi.encodePacked(name_));
```

7.23 LStrategy Needs Tokens to Create Uniswap Positions

Note Version 1

The function _mintNewNft assumes that the strategy contract has enough balance to open new Uniswap positions as needed, otherwise new Uniswap NFTs cannot be minted:

```
IERC20(tokens[0]).safeApprove(address(positionManager), minToken0ForOpening);
IERC20(tokens[1]).safeApprove(address(positionManager), minToken1ForOpening);
(newNft, , , ) = positionManager.mint(
    INonfungiblePositionManager.MintParams({
        token0: tokens[0],
        token1: tokens[1],
        fee: poolFee,
        tickLower: lowerTick,
        tickUpper: upperTick,
        amountODesired: minTokenOForOpening, // required balance
        amount1Desired: minToken1ForOpening, // required balance
        amountOMin: 0,
        amount1Min: 0,
        recipient: address(this),
        deadline: deadline
    })
);
```



Mellow Finance is aware of this requirement and states they will take care that enough funds are available at any point in time. Additionally, a check was added to ensure that the amount of token needed in the contract is very low (less than 10**9) to mitigate that money is lost because of the deactivated slippage protection in the function above.

7.24 _pullExistentials Are Unevenly Distributed in Terms of Value

Note (Version 1)

_pullExistentials in AggregateVault are set to 10**(token.decimals() / 2) for each token. This is an uneven distribution considering that tokens may have different value. The existential for USDT for example has a much lower value than the existential for WBTC.

7.25 addressesByPermission Does Not Consider Forced Permissions

Note Version 1

The function addressesByPermission in the protocol governance contract returns only addresses that explicitly have the permissionId in the mapping permissionMasks. However, if the permissionId is enforced by forceAllowMask, then all addresses are assumed to have the permission.

