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Thunder Loan Audit Report

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Risk Classification

		Impact		
		High	Medium	Low
Likelihood	High	H	H/M	M
	Medium	H/M	M	M/L
	Low	M	M/L	L

Audit Details

The findings described in this document correspond the following commit hash:

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Scope

```
#-- interfaces
| #-- IFlashLoanReceiver.sol
| #-- IPoolFactory.sol
| #-- ITSwapPool.sol
| #-- IThunderLoan.sol
#-- protocol
| #-- AssetToken.sol
| #-- OracleUpgradeable.sol
| #-- ThunderLoan.sol
#-- upgradedProtocol
| #-- ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol
```

Protocol Summary

The <ThunderLoan> protocol is meant to do the following:

1. Give users a way to create flash loans
2. Give liquidity providers a way to earn money off their capital

Liquidity providers can deposit assets into ThunderLoan and be given AssetTokens in return. These AssetTokens gain interest over time depending on how often people take out flash loans!

What is a flash loan?

A flash loan is a loan that exists for exactly 1 transaction. A user can borrow any amount of assets from the protocol as long as they pay it back in the same transaction. If they don't pay it back, the transaction reverts and the loan is cancelled.

Users additionally have to pay a small fee to the protocol depending on how much money they borrow. To calculate the fee, we're using the famous on-chain TSwap price oracle.

We are planning to upgrade from the current ThunderLoan contract to the ThunderLoanUpgraded contract. Please include this upgrade in scope of a security review.

Roles

- Owner: The owner of the protocol who has the power to upgrade the implementation.
- Liquidity Provider: A user who deposits assets into the protocol to earn interest.
- User: A user who takes out flash loans from the protocol.

Executive Summary

Issues found

Severity	Number of issues found
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High	1
Medium	2
Low	3
Info	3
Gas	3

Severity Number of issues found

Total 6

Findings

High

[H-1] Mixing up variable location causes storage collisions in `ThunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee` and `ThunderLoan::s_currentlyFlashLoaning`, and this breaks the whole protocol.

Description: `ThunderLoan.sol` has two variables in the following order:

```
uint256 private s_feePrecision;  
uint256 private s_flashLoanFee; // 0.3% ETH fee
```

However, the expected upgraded contract `ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol` has them in a different order.

```
uint256 private s_flashLoanFee; // 0.3% ETH fee  
uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

Because of the way Solidity storage works, after the upgrade, the `s_flashLoanFee` variable will have the value of `s_feePrecision`. You cannot adjust the positions of storage variables especially working with upgradeable contracts.

Also you can not just remove what is in storage and update it into a constant variable, this breaks the storage also.

Impact: After upgrade, the `s_flashLoanFee` will have the value of `s_feePrecision`. This means that users who take out flash loans right after an upgrade will be charged the wrong fee. Additionally the `s_currentlyFlashLoaning` mapping will start on the wrong storage slot.

Proof of Code:

► Code

You can also see the storage layout difference by running `forge inspect ThunderLoan storage` and `forge inspect ThunderLoanUpgraded storage` on your terminal.

Recommended Mitigation: Don't switch the positions of the storage variables on upgrade, and leave a blank if you're going to replace a storage variable with a constant. In `ThunderLoanUpgraded.sol`:

```
- uint256 private s_flashLoanFee; // 0.3% ETH fee  
- uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;  
+ uint256 private s_blank;  
+ uint256 private s_flashLoanFee;  
+ uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

Or you can just stay with the same storage variable and don't change neither remove it.

Medium

[M-1] Centralization risk for trusted owners

Impact:

Contracts have owners with privileged rights to perform admin tasks and need to be trusted to not perform malicious updates or drain funds.

Instances (2):

```
File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol

223:     function setAllowedToken(IERC20 token, bool allowed) external onlyOwner returns (AssetToken) { }

261:     function _authorizeUpgrade(address newImplementation) internal override onlyOwner { }
```

Contralized owners can brick redemptions by disapproving of a specific token

Recommended Mitigations If you don't wanna make changes in these functions and keep the modifier `onlyOwner`, make sure any of trusted owners actually are reliable.

[M-2] Using TSwap as price oracle leads to price and oracle manipulation attacks and can reduce the fees the liquidity providers will get.

Description: The TSwap protocol is a constant product formula based AMM (automated market maker). The price of a token is determined by how many reserves are on either side of the pool. Because of this, it is easy for malicious users to manipulate the price of a token by buying or selling a large amount of the token in the same transaction, essentially ignoring protocol fees.

Impact: Liquidity providers will get reduced fees for providing liquidity, and this would discourage them to keep providing.

Proof of Concept:

The following all happens in 1 transaction.

1. User takes a flash loan from `ThunderLoan` for 1000 `tokenA`. They are charged the original fee `fee1`. During the flash loan, they do the following:
 1. User sells 1000 `tokenA`, tanking the price.
 2. Instead of repaying right away, the user takes out another flash loan for another 1000 `tokenA`.
 1. Due to the fact that the way `ThunderLoan` calculates price based on the `TSwapPool` this second flash loan is substantially cheaper.

```
function getPriceInWeth(address token) public view returns (uint256) {
    address swapPoolOfToken = IPoolFactory(s_poolFactory).getPool(token);
    @> return ITSwapPool(swapPoolOfToken).getPriceOfOnePoolTokenInWeth();
}
```

3. The user then repays the first flash loan, and then repays the second flash loan.

► PoC

Recommended Mitigation: Consider using a different way to get your price oracles. like a Chainlink price feed with a Uniswap TWAP fallback oracle. Also, I recommend not using an AMM as a price oracle, never.

Low

[L-1] Empty Function Body - Consider commenting why

Instances (1):

```
File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
```

```
261:     function _authorizeUpgrade(address newImplementation) internal override onlyOwner { }
```

Please, add comments why this function is empty, or implement the proper access control and upgradeable logic if needed.

[L-2] Initializers could be front-run

Description Initializers could be front-run, allowing an attacker to either set their own values, take ownership of the contract, and in the best case forcing a re-deployment, and since initializer in upgradeable contracts are like constructors since it will be deployed on a proxy, they need to be protected correctly to be only called once.

Recommended Mitigation You can the modifier initializer and onlyInitializer when working with initializable functions.

Instances (6):

```
File: src/protocol/OracleUpgradeable.sol
```

```
11:     function __Oracle_init(address poolFactoryAddress) internal onlyInitializing {
```

```
File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
```

```
138:     function initialize(address tswapAddress) external initializer {
```

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```

```
139:         __Ownable_init();
```

```
140:         __UUPSUpgradeable_init();
```

```
141:         __Oracle_init(tswapAddress);
```

[L-3] Missing event emissions when ThunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee is updated.

Description: When the `ThunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee` is updated, there is no event emitted.

Recommended Mitigation: Emit an event when the `ThunderLoan::s_flashLoanFee` is updated.

```

+   event FlashLoanFeeUpdated(uint256 newFee);
+
+
+
+   function updateFlashLoanFee(uint256 newFee) external onlyOwner {
+       if (newFee > s_feePrecision) {
+           revert ThunderLoan__BadNewFee();
+       }
+       s_flashLoanFee = newFee;
+   }
+   emit FlashLoanFeeUpdated(newFee);
+
+ }

```

Informational

[I-1] Poor Test Coverage

Running tests...

File	% Lines	% Statements	% Branches	% Funcs
src/protocol/AssetToken.sol	70.00% (7/10)	76.92% (10/13)	50.00% (1/2)	66.67% (4/6)
src/protocol/OracleUpgradeable.sol	100.00% (6/6)	100.00% (9/9)	100.00% (0/0)	80.00% (4/5)
src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol	64.52% (40/62)	68.35% (54/79)	37.50% (6/16)	71.43% (10/14)

Recommended Mitigation: Aim to get test coverage up to over 90% for all files, write more unit tests!

[I-2] Different decimals may cause confusion. ie: AssetToken has 18, but asset has 6

Also, the protocol works with USDC, which is weird ERC20 token, and has only 6 decimals and also doesn't return a boolean whether the tx has successful or not.

You can explain these decimals problems in the documentation for better understanding.

[I-2] Doesn't follow <https://eips.ethereum.org/EIPS/eip-3156> (<https://eips.ethereum.org/EIPS/eip-3156>)

Doesn't follow the EIP standard for flash loans.

Gas

[GAS-1] Using bools for storage incurs overhead

Use `uint256(1)` and `uint256(2)` for true/false to avoid a `Gwarmaccess` (100 gas), and to avoid `Gsset` (20000 gas) when changing from 'false' to 'true', after having been 'true' in the past. See [source \(https://github.com/OpenZeppelin/openzeppelin-contracts/blob/58f635312aa21f947cae5f8578638a85aa2519f5/contracts/security/ReentrancyGuard.sol#L23-L27\)](https://github.com/OpenZeppelin/openzeppelin-contracts/blob/58f635312aa21f947cae5f8578638a85aa2519f5/contracts/security/ReentrancyGuard.sol#L23-L27).

Instances (1):

```
File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
```

```
98:      mapping(IERC20 token => bool currentlyFlashLoaning) private s_currentlyFlashLoaning;
```

[GAS-2] May be better to use `private` instead than `public` for constants can save a lot of gas.

If needed, the values can be read from the verified contract source code, or if there are multiple values there can be a single getter function that returns a tuple (<https://github.com/code-423n4/2022-08-frax/blob/90f55a9ce4e25bceed3a74290b854341d8de6afa/src/contracts/FraxlendPair.sol#L156-L178>) of the values of all currently-public constants. This can save a total of **3406-3606 gas** in deployment gas due to the compiler not having to create non-payable getter functions for deployment calldata, not having to store the bytes of the value outside of where it's used, and not adding another entry to the method ID table

All you need to do is just change these three constants from `public` to `private`. *Instances (3):*

```
File: src/protocol/AssetToken.sol
```

```
25:      uint256 public constant EXCHANGE_RATE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

```
File: src/protocol/ThunderLoan.sol
```

```
95:      uint256 public constant FLASH_LOAN_FEE = 3e15; // 0.3% ETH fee
```

```
96:      uint256 public constant FEE_PRECISION = 1e18;
```

[GAS-3] Unnecessary SLOAD when logging new exchange rate

In the function `AssetToken::updateExchangeRate`, after writing the `newExchangeRate` to storage, the function reads the value from storage again to log it in the `ExchangeRateUpdated` event.

To avoid the unnecessary SLOAD, you can log the value of `newExchangeRate` and optimize gas.

Here is the code with the changes:

```
s_exchangeRate = newExchangeRate;  
- emit ExchangeRateUpdated(s_exchangeRate);  
+ emit ExchangeRateUpdated(newExchangeRate);
```