YEARN VAULT V2 SMART CONTRACT AUDIT

(Vyper part)



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01 INTRODUCTION TO THE AUDIT

General Provisions

Yearn Finance is a decentralized investment aggregator that leverages composability and uses automated strategies to earn high yield on crypto assets.

The audited contract is a part of a new second version of Yearn vaults. Yearn vaults represent a user funds manager in Yearn ecosystem.

Smart contract provides an entry point for a user to deposit and withdraw funds and under the hood operates with linked strategies.

The code is written using new Vyper language that improved readability of the code and allowed auditors to consider mostly only on business logic.

Scope of the Audit

The scope of the audit includes the following smart contracts at:

https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/blob/054034304c7912d227d460feadc23177103de0b9/contracts/Vault.vy

The audited commit identifiers are:

• 054034304c7912d227d460feadc23177103de0b9 (tag v0.2.0)

02 | SECURITY ASSESSMENT | PRINCIPLES

Classification of Issues

- CRITICAL: Bugs leading to Ether or token theft, fund access locking or any other loss of Ether/tokens to be transferred to any party (for example, dividends).
- MAJOR: Bugs that can trigger a contract failure. Further recovery is possible only by manual modification of the contract state or replacement.
- WARNINGS: Bugs that can break the intended contract logic or expose it to DoS attacks.
- COMMENTS: Other issues and recommendations reported to/ acknowledged by the team.

Security Assessment Methodology

Two auditors independently verified the code.

Stages of the audit were as follows:

- "Blind" manual check of the code and its model
- "Guided" manual code review
- Checking the code compliance with the customer requirements
- Discussion of independent audit results
- Report preparation

03 DETECTED ISSUES

CRITICAL

Not found

MAJOR

1. Potential withdrawal lock

Description

At this line: https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/blob/054034304c7912d227d460feadc23177103de0b9/contracts/Vault.vy#L787

amountNeeded: uint256 = value - self.token.balanceOf(self)

In case if the result of withdrawals in the previous loop iteration self.token.balanceOf(self) becomes more than value that will cause a transaction revert. That scenario is possible because only for the first iteration we can exactly consider that value more than self.token.balanceOf(self), but according to the withdrawal logic there is no check for the following iterations that the real withdrawn amount(after Strategy(strategy).withdraw(amountNeeded) call) is less or equal to what is desired amountNeeded.

Recommendation

It seems in normal/optimistic flow that

Strategy(strategy).withdraw(amountNeeded) never withdraws more tokens than requested, but anyway we recommend properly handling a pessimistic case because strategy is an external contract and can be broken. Due to withdrawal queue, it can be changed only by governance (usually governance is msig or smth like that). Unexpected strategy behavior can lock withdrawals for undefined period that might be fatal in some cases.

Status

Fixed at https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/pull/111/commits/b129fb3b669322640dbe98b05fd3b236848613fb

WARNINGS

1. Code commentary doesn't comply with real implementation

Description

At line it is defined that rate limit has "tokens per block" dimension:

"Increase/decrease per block"

But in rate limit checker code https://github.com/iearn-finance/
yearn-vaults/blob/054034304c7912d227d460feadc23177103de0b9/contracts/
Vault.vy#L1124 strategy_rateLimit assumed as variable with "tokens
per second" dimension

Recommendation

We recommend keeping commentaries consistent with implementation

Status

Fixed at https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/pull/111/commits/62258c98bfd98315672b5f73b31b825438bec439

2. Potential issue with re-entrancy

Description

Method report at this line called by strategy makes an external call back to strategy in _assessFees method: https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/blob/054034304c7912d227d460feadc23177103de0b9/contracts/Vault.vy#L1239. So broken or hacked, strategy can call back vaults methods while the current state is not finalized.

Recommendation

We recommend adding re-entrancy checks to avoid potential problems. Especially when the code logic is complicated even if for now the code is safe, in future it's really easy to implicitly introduce some bugs.

Status

Fixed at https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/pull/111/commits/669c7ff9125197c3dc684fb88caa4eb839c5c0f0

COMMENTS

1. Adding Approval event in transferFrom

Description

Here https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/blob/054034304c7912d227d460feadc23177103de0b9/contracts/Vault.vy#L468 we have a decrease in allowance as a result of transferFrom call, but new Approval event isn't emitted.

Recommendation

That behavior is not required by EIP20, but it's good to allow the client-side apps to sync the actual allowance amount using only events(without fetch data from the node state). Example from openzeppelin's implementation: https://github.com/OpenZeppelin/openzeppelin-contracts/blob/master/contracts/token/ERC20/ERC20.sol#L154

Status

Fixed at https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/pull/111/commits/e5f8bee60e9877ad4301b1d0e3fcf9ff13111350

2. Optimize deposit amount check

Description

Following check of deposit, the amount is required only if the previous condition returns false, in another case amount value is already limited by self.depositLimit - self._totalAssets().

Recommendation

We can move limit check into else branch of the condition above to save gas.

Status

Fixed at https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/pull/111/commits/1e94dc598e61961954c254153592ea36937e1a54

3. Typo in commentary

Description

At line: https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/blob/054034304c7912d227d460feadc23177103de0b9/contracts/Vault.vy#L1270

@return Amount of debt outstanding (iff totalDebt > debtLimit).

There is an extra 'f'

Recommendation

We suggest removing the excess character.

Status

Fixed at https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/pull/111/commits/cc82e882dfe686cb3eaa623e574c0cd16d60774c

4. Implicit loss calculation

Description

_reportLoss function defined here implicitly changes the passed value of the loss tokens amount. Implicit behavior might be wrongly missed and the caller can expect another result.

Recommendation

We recommend to reduce the implicit logic as much as possible

Status

Acknowledged

5. Unoptimized withdrawalQueue updating

Description

At lines: https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/

blob/054034304c7912d227d460feadc23177103de0b9/contracts/Vault.vy#L1062-L1066,

https://github.com/iearn-finance/yearn-vaults/

blob/054034304c7912d227d460feadc23177103de0b9/contracts/Vault.vy#L1041-L1046

There are some places when we need to remove or add strategy. For now, we first iterate over the array to exclude duplicates or find item idx to remove and after that we call $_{organizeWithdrawalQueue}$ to normalize the array. With this approach operations complexity can reach up to $O(n^2)$.

Recommendation

It seems easier and cheaper to add/remove elements with instant normalization in a single walk through the array.

Status

Acknowledged

6. Strategy can report loss and gain at the same time

Description

For now strategy can report loss and gain at the same time. It's not a problem according to the code logic but it's little bit weird within the meaning.

Recommendation

We recommend to make sure that this behavior is correct.

Status

No issue

04 CONCLUSION AND RESULTS

Findings list

Level	Amount
CRITICAL	0
MAJOR	1
WARNINGS	2
COMMENTS	6

Final commit identifier with all fixes:

99dcc2a8ce495ac6c2ff08e633e5b475a3088255

Smart contracts have been audited. The code is clear and well written. Compared with the Solidity based code, current implementation mostly looks more strict in terms of allowed invariants and it is much better to read and understand contract logic because the code mostly contains business-logic related constructions. Several suspicious places were spotted and some improvements were proposed.

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