OpenZeppelin Uniswap Hooks v1.1.0 RC 1 Audit



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Summary

Type DeFi **Total Issues** 19 (0 resolved) From 2025-04-25 2 (0 resolved) **Timeline Critical Severity** To 2025-05-12 Issues Solidity 9 (0 resolved) Languages **High Severity** Issues **Medium Severity** 4 (0 resolved) Issues **Low Severity Issues** 1 (0 resolved) Notes & Additional 3 (0 resolved) Information

Scope

This audit report details the comprehensive analysis performed on a set of custom Uniswap V4 hooks. These hooks have been specifically designed to enhance the functionality and security of Uniswap V4 liquidity pools.

The audit was performed on the <u>release-v1.1.0-rc.1</u> branch of the <u>OpenZeppelin/uniswaphooks</u> repository at commit <u>0879747</u>.

In scope were the following files:

Outside the general directory, for which a full line-by-line audit has been performed, the rest of the scope has been audited on its diff against commit cb6d90c.

System Overview

AntiSandwichHook

The AntiSandwichHook contract implements a sandwich-resistant Automated Market Maker (AMM) design intended to mitigate sandwich attacks, whereby malicious actors exploit the transaction order within a block to extract value at the expense of ordinary users. This is achieved by enforcing that no trade is executed at a more favorable price than what was available at the start of the current block.

At the beginning of each block, the hook <u>records</u> a checkpoint of the pool's price and state. When the first swap of the block occurs, this checkpoint is saved and used as a baseline. Subsequent swaps in the same block are then compared against this checkpoint. For <u>certain</u> trade directions, the hook restricts users from receiving a better execution price than what was available at the block's start, effectively neutralizing the typical profit opportunities exploited in sandwich strategies.

To enforce this, the hook uses a mechanism where excess output tokens, when a swap would otherwise execute at a better price, are withheld and <u>donated</u> back to the pool, benefiting all liquidity providers. This creates a fairer execution environment and significantly reduces the economic incentives for front-running and back-running attacks.

LiquidityPenaltyHook

The LiquidityPenaltyHook contract is designed to protect against Just-In-Time (JIT) liquidity attacks, whereby sophisticated actors rapidly add and remove liquidity around large trades to capture fees without taking on meaningful market risk. This form of behavior can erode the returns of long-term liquidity providers and reduce the predictability and fairness of fee distribution.

To mitigate this, the hook introduces a time-based penalty mechanism. Specifically, it <u>tracks</u> the block number when liquidity is added and checks how many blocks have passed when liquidity is removed. <u>If liquidity is removed too soon</u>, within a configurable block offset <u>threshold</u>, the hook <u>penalizes</u> the position by donating a portion (up to 100%) of the earned fees back to the pool. The penalty is linearly scaled depending on how soon the removal occurs relative to the configured threshold.

LimitOrderHook

The LimitOrderHook contract is a hook meant to allow users to create limit orders leveraging Uniswap v4 out-of-range liquidity positions. When a user creates an out-of-range liquidity position with a tick range width of 1 tickSpacing, only one of the two assets is required, effectively simulating the process of placing an order into an order book at a specific price (the tick).

When swapping makes it so that the tick crosses the lower and upper tick of the *order* tick range, the order can be <u>considered</u> filled, since the swap effectively consumed the liquidity present in that tick range and swapped it for the opposite asset. The contract also features additional functionalities such as the following:

- Users' orders are <u>cumulated</u> if they are within the same tick ranges, which is exactly how an order book would do it.
- Users can cancel their orders using the cancelorder function if they have not been filled. If an order is canceled, the fees that such liquidity position might have generated are distributed pro bono to all members of the same liquidity position (the same order in the order book) or withdrawn by the user if theirs is the last liquidity in that specific range.
- Users can withdraw the proceeds of their filled orders through the withdraw function.

Differences from the Previous Version

Apart from the new contracts, some changes have also been made to the existing contracts:

- The IHooksEvents interface has been added, which defines some common event emissions. In addition, the BaseAsyncSwap, BaseCustomAccounting,
 BaseCustomCurve, and BaseDynamicAfterFee contracts have been modified to emit the corresponding events where appropriate.
- The CurrencySettler <u>library</u> has been modified to include the usage of <u>SafeERC20</u>, and to return early when amounts are 0 since some tokens might revert with such values.
- The BaseAsyncSwap contract now has an internal and override able _calculateSwapFee function that can return the amount of swap fees to apply in case it is needed (currently returning 0).
- The BaseCustomAccounting contract now supports the usage of salts for liquidity positions, so that users can mark their unique positions by providing a salt value. It also features a new _handleAccruedFees function to handle fees accrued in liquidity positions.

• Similarly, the BaseCustomCurve contract now has an override able getSwapFeeAmount function to calculate the fees collected by a swap.	

Critical Severity

C-01 JIT Liquidity Penalty Can Be Bypassed

The LiquidityPenaltyHook contract implements a mechanism to penalize JIT liquidity provision by imposing a penalty fee on positions that are added and removed within a short timeframe (defined by blockNumberOffset). This aims to prevent sandwich attacks where traders add liquidity just before a large swap, collect fees from that swap, and then immediately withdraw their liquidity.

When liquidity is removed before the configured blockNumberOffset number of blocks has passed, the hook calculates a penalty based on the fees earned (feeDelta) and donates this penalty back to the pool, effectively reducing the profit from JIT liquidity tactics. However, there is a vulnerability that allows a complete bypass of the penalty mechanism through a sequence of operations leveraging Uniswap v4's fee collection behavior. In Uniswap v4, when an increaseLiquidity operation is performed on an existing position, it automatically collects all accrued fees and credits them to the user, resetting feesOwed to zero.

The LiquidityPenaltyHook calculates penalties based on feeDelta from the afterRemoveLiquidity hook, which represents uncollected fees at the time of liquidity removal. By strategically performing an increaseLiquidity operation with a minimal amount before removing all liquidity, an attacker can collect all fees separately from the removal action, resulting in a feeDelta of zero during the liquidity removal and, thus, avoiding the intended penalty entirely.

- 1. Attacker adds substantial liquidity position to a pool.
- 2. Target swap executes, generating fees for the attacker's position.
- 3. Attacker calls increaseLiquidity with a minimal amount (e.g., 1 wei), which:
 - collects all accrued fees and transfers them to the attacker
 - calls <u>_afterAddLiquidity</u> hook (which only records the block number but does not penalize)
 - o resets fees0wed to zero
- 4. Attacker immediately removes all liquidity. This calls <u>_afterRemoveLiquidity</u>, but since <u>feeDelta</u> is now zero, the penalty calculation yields zero.

This vulnerability completely undermines the core security mechanism of the LiquidityPenaltyHook contract. It allows JIT liquidity providers to execute sandwich attacks with zero penalty, defeating the entire purpose of the contract. Since the penalty can be fully bypassed, there is effectively no protection against JIT manipulation, leaving pools vulnerable to the exact attacks that this hook was designed to prevent.

The economic impact is significant since attackers can extract value from ordinary traders through JIT tactics without incurring the intended penalties, resulting in a direct transfer of value from normal users to manipulators.

The simplest immediate fix would be to extend the hook permissions to also monitor beforeAddLiquidity events and track fee collection that occurs during liquidity increases, accounting for these collected fees when calculating penalties during eventual liquidity removal.

C-02 Asymmetric First In-Block Swap Initialization Leads to Stale State

The AntiSandwichHook contract aims to prevent sandwich attacks by ensuring that swaps adhere to prices from the beginning of the block. It uses a checkpoint, stored in the lastCheckpoints mapping, to calculate an expected output in getTargetOutput.

The primary issue is how the <u>lastCheckpoints[poolId].state</u> (specifically its ticks component) is populated, leading to potentially stale or incomplete data.

- 1. In <u>_beforeSwap</u>, for a new block, only <u>_lastCheckpoints[poolId].slot0</u> (containing the initial tick and <u>_sqrtPriceX96</u>) is updated from the pool's current state.
- 2. The more comprehensive <u>_lastCheckpoints[poolId].state</u> (which includes <u>_state.ticks</u>, <u>_state.liquidity</u>, and its own <u>_state.slot0</u>) is intended to be initialized or updated in the <u>_afterSwap</u> function, specifically after the first swap of the block.
- 3. The logic in _afterSwap to populate _lastCheckpoints[poolId].state.ticks iterates using for (int24 tick = _lastCheckpoint.slot0.tick(); tick < tickAfter; tick += key.tickSpacing). Here, __lastCheckpoint.slot0.tick() refers to the tick at the start of the block (captured in _beforeSwap), while tickAfter is the tick after the first swap has been completed.</p>

The problem arises if the first swap in a block does not result in tickAfter being strictly greater than lastCheckpoint.slot0.tick(e.g., the tick remains the same or decreases). In this scenario, the for loop in line 123 will not execute. Consequently,

<u>_lastCheckpoints[poolId].state.ticks</u> will not be populated with fresh data for the current block. It will retain stale tick data from a previous block or remain uninitialized.

Critically, even if this loop does not execute, <u>lastCheckpoint.blockNumber</u> is updated to the current <u>block.number</u> in <u>line 119</u>. This prevents any subsequent calls to <u>afterSwap</u> within the same block from re-attempting to initialize these tick values, as the <u>lastCheckpoint.blockNumber</u> != blockNumber condition in <u>line 118</u> will be false.

If the first swap in a block does not advance the tick (or moves it backward),

_lastCheckpoint.state.ticks is not updated for that block. Subsequent swaps in the same block will then call _getTargetOutput, which relies on this _lastCheckpoint.state for its simulation. The simulation will use stale or uninitialized tick data, leading to an incorrect targetOutput and potentially negating the anti-sandwich protection.

Consider initializing the full start-of-block snapshot, including all necessary components of lastCheckpoints[poolId].state (such as slot0, liquidity, and a relevant range of ticks), within the beforeSwap hook when a new block is detected. This approach would ensure that the checkpoint is based purely on the state at the beginning of the block, independent of the effects or tick movements of the first swap. This would involve fetching tick data around lastCheckpoint.slot0.tick() at the beginning of the block.

High Severity

H-01 Limit Orders Can Be Incorrectly Filled

The LimitOrderHook contract uses the _getCrossedTicks <u>function</u> to determine which ticks were crossed during a swap by comparing the current pool tick with the previously stored tick. It then <u>processes</u> any limit orders within that range as filled in the <u>afterSwap function</u>.

However, there is an edge case where limit orders can be incorrectly filled when one of the following happens:

- A swap moves the tick into a limit order range (crossing the lower boundary but not the upper boundary).
- A subsequent swap moves the tick back in the opposite direction (crossing the lower boundary again).

This is demonstrated by the following scenario:

Consider a pool with:

```
Current tick: -200
Tick spacing: 10
Limit order in range: [0, 10]
```

Sequence of events:

- 1. A swap moves the tick to 5 (increasing tick, crosses the lower boundary at 0). tickLowerLast is set to 0 (the highest tick that was crossed).
- 2. A swap then moves the tick from 5 to -5 (decreasing tick, crosses the lower boundary again).
- getCrossedTicks <u>calculates</u>:

```
tickLower = -10 (current tick rounded down)
tickLowerLast = 0 (from previous swap)
```

and it returns (-10, 0, 0) as the range of crossed ticks.

4. The for <u>loop</u> in <u>_afterSwap</u> iterates through this range exactly once, hitting tick 0. The limit order at [0, 10] is marked as filled and deleted from the pool.

This is incorrect because the limit order was only partially filled (the price never crossed the upper boundary at tick 10).

The limit order filling mechanism should be modified to properly track when an order is fully filled by ensuring both boundaries of the order range have been crossed. One of the following approaches could be taken to address this:

- Track both the lower and upper boundaries of limit orders
- Only mark an order as filled when both boundaries have been crossed
- Alternatively, implement a mechanism to handle partial fills, allowing users to claim the filled portion while keeping the remainder of the order active.

At minimum, consider revising the <u>_getCrossedTicks</u> function to properly handle the case when a tick is crossed multiple times in opposite directions to avoid prematurely marking orders as filled.

H-02 Accrued Limit Order Fees Can Be Stolen

In the LimitOrderHook contract, a limit order is one tickSpacing wide and is considered filled when the tick goes from the lower tick of the tickSpacing to the upper tick.

In Uniswap, a tick is a small price difference, but the <code>tickSpacing</code> is multiple ticks. For example, the default tick spacing in a 1% fee pool <code>is</code> 200, which corresponds to a price difference between <code>tickSpacings</code> of 2.02%. With this significant price range between <code>tickSpacing</code>, the price can land within a limit order and multiple swaps can occur without fully crossing over to the other side of <code>tickSpacing</code>, which would lead to significant accrual of fees for the liquidity that makes up the limit order.

Suppose that an unfilled limit order has accrued significant fees. The attacker can execute this sequence in one block:

- 1. Create a large limit order, capturing 90% of the limit order liquidity for that tick spacing.
- 2. Swap so that the tickSpacing is crossed and the limit order is filled.
- 3. Withdraw once filled the limit order.

Since all the fees collected by the limit order liquidity are split based on the share of liquidity when the order is filled, regardless of how much of the fees they were *responsible for* or how long their position was active, the attacker captures the majority of fees despite providing liquidity for less than 1 block. They capture fees that were accrued before they were ever an active liquidity provider. Moreover, the <u>comment</u> on canceled orders mentions that the fee is given to the existing order. It does not take into account that future liquidity providers can claim/steal a portion of these fees.

Consider tracking the timestamp or block number when each user adds liquidity, and distributing fees only based on the portion of fees accrued after that point. This would prevent newly added liquidity, especially JIT additions, from unfairly claiming fees that were accumulated before their participation. Alternatively, maintaining per-user fee snapshots would allow precise and fair distribution of rewards.

H-03 Liquidity Penalty Can Be Circumvented Using Secondary Accounts

The LiquidityPenaltyHook contract is designed to penalize JIT liquidity provision by donating fees to the pool when liquidity is added and removed within a short time window (defined by blockNumberOffset). This discourages attackers from earning fees unfairly from the swaps they anticipate. However, the penalty mechanism can be bypassed using a coordinated attack involving two accounts, exploiting how fee donation rewards in-range liquidity providers at the time of removal.

Below is an example simulating how an attacker could bypass the JIT protection using two coordinated accounts:

- 1. Setup: Current tick is in a stable range (e.g., 10,000).
- 2. Step 1 Positioning: Attacker's secondary account (Account B or "B") adds a small liquidity position in an out-of-range tick window (e.g., [-13,000, -12,000]) where no other liquidity exists.
- 3. Step 2 Fee Capture: In the next block:
 - Primary account (Account A or "A") adds large liquidity in the current tick.
 - Victim executes a large swap, generating fees for A.
- 4. Step 3 Fee Redirection:
 - A swaps to move the price into B's tick range.
 - A removes liquidity. Since removal happens within the offset window,
 LiquidityPenaltyHook forcibly donates accrued fees back to the pool.
 - B, now the sole in-range provider, removes liquidity and receives the donated fees.
 - A swaps again to restore the original tick range.

This sequence allows Account B to collect fees originally earned by Account A, effectively bypassing the penalty that would otherwise reduce A's profits. Since the hook donates to whoever is in range during removal, and has no mechanism to detect coordination between A and B, this type of attack is feasible and profitable.

Consider enhancing the hook logic to monitor for abrupt and large tick changes, particularly those occurring within a single block. If such behavior is detected, fee donations could be withheld, delayed, or proportionally distributed over time to prevent their full capture by opportunistically positioned accounts. In addition, donation eligibility could be conditioned on the continuity and persistence of the beneficiary's liquidity, reducing the incentive for short-lived, strategically placed positions that aim to exploit transient price shifts.

H-04 Incorrect Unspecified Amount Handling Breaks Anti-Sandwich Logic

The current implementation of the AntiSandwichHook contract assumes that the "unspecified amount" in a swap always refers to the output amount the user will receive. However, it can also represent the input amount that the user is willing to pay. Due to this flawed assumption, the anti-sandwich protection becomes ineffective in certain conditions, allowing an attacker to successfully execute a sandwich attack.

Exploit Scenario

- 1. Attacker initiates a swap from $token_0$ to 10,000 $token_1$ (zeroForOne = true).
 - unspecified amount: the amount (input) the attacker must pay: 10,000
 - targetOutput: set to 10,000, as that is what the attacker receives.
- 2. Victim follows up with a swap from 10,000 token₀ to 9,500 token₁ (zeroForOne = true).
- 3. Attacker performs the closing leg of the sandwich, swapping 10,000 token₁ back to $token_0$ (zeroForOne = false).
 - The attacker specifies only how much they want to receive, e.g., 12,000 token₀.
 - unspecified amount: now represents how much token₁ the attacker is willing to pay, say 10,000.
 - The code calculates targetOutput using the initial state from the first trade (before the victim's), which gives a value of 12,000.
 - Since targetOutput > unspecified amount, the hook incorrectly caps targetOutput to 10,000, which does not trigger a fee or block the swap.

As a result, the attacker successfully extracts profit — swapping 10,000 token₁ for 12,000 token₀ — completing the sandwich attack.

A similar attack is also possible in the reverse direction, such as: $!zeroForOne \rightarrow !zeroForOne$.

The vulnerability stems from treating the "unspecified amount" exclusively as the amount to be received instead of handling both input and output cases correctly.

To prevent this class of sandwich attacks, the anti-sandwich hook must distinguish whether the unspecified amount represents input or output. In case it represents the amount to be paid (i.e., input), then:

• if the unspecified amount is greater than targetOutput, then targetOutput must be set equal to the unspecified amount

• if the targetOutput is greater than the unspecified amount, then the user must end up paying the targetOutput amount instead

H-05 Sandwich Attack Possible via JIT Attack in AntiSandwichHook

The AntiSandwichHook contract attempts to mitigate sandwich attacks by ensuring that swaps do not execute at prices better than those available at the beginning of the block. This is enforced through an additional fee charged on the swap, which is then donated to the pool and distributed to active liquidity providers (LPs) at the tick where the swap concludes.

However, a profitable sandwich strategy remains viable due to the ability of attackers to manipulate liquidity positions within the same block. The vulnerability emerges from the fact that liquidity provision and removal are permissionless and costless (excluding gas), and the redistribution of the penalized amount is proportional to the LP share at the final tick of the swap.

A possible attack scenario is as follows:

- 1. Alice initiates a !zeroForOne swap, setting the price checkpoint for the block.
- 2. Bob (victim) performs a second !zeroFor0ne swap, receiving a worse price.
- 3. Alice adds a large, concentrated liquidity position in the tick where the pool price will land, acquiring ~99% of the active liquidity.
- 4. Alice executes a zeroForOne swap, triggering _afterSwapHandler, which donates the fee to the pool.
- 5. Alice receives 99% of the penalty back via her dominant liquidity share.
- Alice withdraws the liquidity, capturing a profit despite the intended penalty.

Consider implementing a protection mechanism against JIT liquidity attacks to prevent users from briefly injecting large amounts of liquidity immediately before fee redistribution events.

H-06 Incorrect Handling of unspecifiedAmount Leads to Overcharging

The dynamic-fee hooks (BaseDynamicAfterFee → AntiSandwichHook) assume that the unspecifiedAmount in a swap is always the output that the user will receive. However, it can also be the input that the user must pay.

- When unspecifiedAmount is output: capping it by _targetOutput makes sense, as it prevents the user from receiving more than the fair amount.
- When unspecifiedAmount is input: capping by _targetOutput is incorrect. If the user's intended input exceeds _targetOutput, the code silently treats the difference as a "fee," minting extra tokens and charging the user more than intended.

Illustrative scenario

- 1. First swap in the block: user wants to receive 10,000 token
 - o implies an unspecified input of 9,000 token₁
- 2. Second swap in the same block: user again wants 10 000 token₀, but now must pay 15 000 token₁.
 - targetOutput will be 9,000, because of the initial state of the block.
 - unspecifiedAmount will be 15,000
 - $^{\circ}$ It calculates fee = unspecifiedAmount _targetOutput = 15,000 9,000 = 6,000, mints 6,000 extra token₁, and effectively charges the user 21,000 instead of 15,000.

Consider adjusting the cap logic in <u>_afterSwap</u> to distinguish input vs. output cases. When the <u>unspecifiedAmount</u> represents the user's input (the amount they pay), then one of the following must be done:

- If the unspecified amount is greater than targetOutput, then targetOutput must be set equal to the unspecified amount.
- If target0utput is greater than the unspecified amount, then the amount the user pays must be equal to target0utput.

This way, the fee will not be applied since targetOutput == unspecifiedAmount, and it can always be ensured the user pays the highest amount.

H-07 Integer Underflow in <u>getTargetOutput</u> Due to Improper Type Casting

In the AntiSandwichHook contract, an integer underflow may occur due to the improper casting of a negative int128 value to uint128 in the _getTargetOutput function:

```
int128 target =
    (params.amountSpecified < 0 == params.zeroForOne) ? targetDelta.amount1() :
targetDelta.amount0();
targetOutput = uint256(uint128(target));</pre>
```

To understand the issue, consider the following example:

```
SwapParams({
    zeroForOne: true,
    amountSpecified: 10_000 * 1e18,
    sqrtPriceLimitX96: sqrtPriceLimitX96
});
```

In this scenario, the user specifies they want to *receive* 10,000 units of token1. Since amountSpecified is positive and zeroForOne is true, the swap direction is token0 \rightarrow token1, and the *unspecified amount* — the amount of token0 that the user must pay — will be negative.

The logic in _getTargetOutput selects this negative int128 value (target), directly casts it to uint128, and then to uint256, without correcting the sign. This results in an underflow, setting targetOutput to a very large, incorrect value (e.g., 2**128 - 1).

An attacker could exploit this vulnerability to carry out a profitable sandwich attack. Specifically, they could execute the final swap in a block with a positive amountSpecified, which causes the target (the unspecified input amount) to be negative. As a result, the antisandwich mechanism would interpret this as an extremely high targetOutput, allowing the attacker to extract the expected profits without penalties, completing the sandwich strategy successfully.

Consider performing a sign check and normalizing before casting to unsigned integers.

H-08 Missing Liquidity Total Update in withdraw

The LimitOrderHook contract contains an issue in its withdraw function where the total liquidity counter is not properly updated when users withdraw their liquidity from filled orders. When a user withdraws their funds, the contract correctly deletes the individual user's liquidity

entry with delete orderInfo.liquidity[msg.sender], but fails to decrease orderInfo.liquidityTotal accordingly.

This oversight means that the <code>liquidityTotal</code> variable continues to reflect an inflated value that includes withdrawn liquidity. Since this value is <code>used</code> as the denominator when calculating proportional token distribution for subsequent withdrawals (<code>amount0 = FullMath.mulDiv(orderInfo.currency0Total, liquidity, liquidityTotal)</code>), users withdrawing later will receive systematically smaller amounts than they should. This is mainly because <code>currencyXTotal</code> is also <code>decreased</code> at each withdrawal, losing the percentage ratio of owned shares within the order.

The impact of this issue increases with each withdrawal. As more users withdraw their liquidity, the discrepancy between the stored total liquidity and the actual remaining liquidity grows larger. In the worst-case scenario, if a significant portion of users have withdrawn, but the total has not been updated, the final users might receive substantially less than their fair share of tokens. In addition, if all users eventually withdraw, some tokens will remain locked in the contract due to division calculations using an artificially high denominator.

An example is as follows:

- Two users have both deposited 500 of liquidity, so totalLiquidity is 1000.
- The order is filled and there's now 1000 of currency0.

The expected outcome is that both users will receive 500 of currency0 but let us see what happens: when the first user withdraws, amount0 is 1000 * 500 / 1000 which is 500. After this withdrawal, currency0Total is 500 and totalLiquidity is 1000. If the second user withdraws at this point, amount0 will be calculated as 500 * 500 / 1000 which ends up being 250 and not 500.

To address this issue, the withdraw function should be modified to update the total liquidity counter whenever a user withdraws. A simple subtraction could be added after the individual liquidity entry is deleted: orderInfo.liquidityTotal -= liquidity;.

This small change would ensure that the total liquidity accurately reflects the remaining liquidity in the order at all times, maintaining proportional withdrawals for all participants.

H-09 Incorrect Timing of removingAllLiquidity Flag Calculation in cancelOrder

The LimitOrderHook contract contains a logical flaw in its cancelOrder <u>function</u> pertaining to the <u>calculation</u> of the <u>removingAllLiquidity flag</u>. This flag determines how fees are allocated in the <u>handleCancelCallback function</u>, but it is being computed at the wrong moment in the execution sequence.

In the current implementation, the contract first <u>decrements</u> the user's liquidity from <u>orderInfo.liquidityTotal</u> and then <u>compares</u> the user's liquidity amount with the updated total. Since the total has already been reduced by the user's contribution, this comparison will always be evaluated to <u>false</u>. This means that even when a user cancels the last remaining liquidity in an order, the <u>removingAllLiquidity</u> flag is incorrectly set to <u>false</u>.

This issue impacts fee distribution, as <u>explained</u> in the <u>_handleCancelCallback</u> function. When a user cancels the last of an order's liquidity, the fees should go to them instead of being allocated to non-existent remaining liquidity providers. However, the current implementation incorrectly holds these fees in the contract where they become apparently inaccessible. There is also a second issue that allows these fees to be stolen: at the order key in the <u>orders</u> mapping, the ID is not being reset to <u>ORDER_ID_DEFAULT</u>. This means that someone can place an order, fill it, and place it again using the same order key as before. This will cause the order to be effectively fillable again, and the stuck fees would become available to be taken.

To fix this issue, the removingAllLiquidity check should be performed before reducing the total liquidity, and the cancelOrder or its callback should also reset the orderId inside the orders mapping. These changes ensure that when the last user cancels their liquidity, they correctly receive any accrued fees, maintaining proper accounting within the contract and preventing funds from being locked indefinitely.

Medium Severity

M-01 Block Number Dependency

The AntiSandwhichHook and LiquidityPenaltyHook hooks both rely on block.number to establish whether the price should be taken as the one at the beginning of

the block <u>in</u> the former and whether the liquidity provider should receive a penalty for liquidity provisioning on a very short <u>timeframe</u> in the latter.

Generally, relying on block.number is a good decision. However, some blockchains, especially L2s like Arbitrum, will return the L1 block number within the EVM. This means that on chains like Arbitrum, the block.number constraints enforced by both hooks can extend for several L2 blocks, since many of them will reflect the same L1 block when accessed through block.number.

This means that the fixed price of the AntiSandwichHook and the liquidity penalty for the LiquidityPenaltyHook will last for several L2 blocks instead even when meant to last for just 1 block. In such cases, the hooks would be unexpectedly over-constrained. In the specific case of Arbitrum, one can access the L2 block by using ArbSys(100).arbBlockNumber(), but, in general, one could also think about using

Consider clarifying, both from a design perspective and at the implementation level, how the contracts should behave in such cases.

M-02 Incorrect Usage of Returned Balance Delta

In the _handlePlaceCallback function of the LimitOrderHook contract, the contract uses the raw delta values returned from modifyLiquidity to determine whether the limit order is correctly placed out of range. The issue is that the returned delta represents the sum of principal amount and any accrued fees from the position. Since accrued fees are non-negative, they can potentially change the sign of the delta value from what would be expected based on the principal alone.

When placing an order in a tick that has accumulated fees, the principal component would be negative (providing liquidity), but the accumulated fees could be positive. If the accumulated fees exceed the principal amount, the sign of the total delta could flip. This would trigger a revert when trying to convert the positive delta into a negative value, before casting to a uint.

Consider modifying the <u>handlePlaceCallback</u> function to properly account for fees in the balance delta. The most reliable approach is to get the principal by subtracting the fee component from the value returned by the pool manager.

block.timestamp instead.

M-03 Anti-Sandwich Mechanism Also Breaks Price Reliability at the Start of a Block

AntiSandwichHook tries to stop sandwich attacks by making sure that swaps cannot happen at a better price than what was available at the start of the block. This only works if that starting price is fair. In regular Uniswap pools, it is hard to manipulate the price at the start of a block because doing so would leave the pool exposed to arbitrage. So, normally, the price at the start of a block is close to the real market price.

However, this assumption becomes invalid once the anti-sandwich mechanism is applied. Since the hook makes any within-block price improvements non-arbitrageable (by redistributing the excess back to LPs), external arbitrageurs are disincentivized from restoring the price to its fair market level after an imbalance-causing swap. As a result, it is entirely plausible that the price at the beginning of a block reflects a manipulated or stale state rather than true market conditions. This leads to the enforcement of swaps against an inaccurate "anchor price".

Consider whether this can be solved at the design level. If it is an assumption that must be made when using such contracts, consider reflecting it in the contract's docstrings.

M-04 Incorrect slot0 Persistence on ! zeroFor0ne Swaps Causes Inconsistent Pricing Logic

In the AntiSandwichHook contract, the logic within <u>getTargetOutput</u> introduces an unintended side effect when handling !zeroForOne swaps (i.e., swaps from token1 to token0). Specifically, this line is problematic:

```
if (!params.zeroForOne) {
    _lastCheckpoint.state.slot0 = _lastCheckpoint.slot0;
}
```

The intention is to lock the pool price at the beginning-of-block value, ensuring consistent execution pricing. However, this operation modifies _lastCheckpoint.state.slot0 persistently. Since this storage is not reset later, it means that the next zeroFor0ne swap will base its logic on a slot0 value from a previous !zeroFor0ne swap instead of using the current, accurate pool state.

This breaks the asymmetry and expected behavior that:

- zeroFor0ne = true swaps (token0 → token1) should behave according to the current xy=k curve
- zeroForOne = false swaps (token1 → token0) should use the price at the beginning
 of the block

Example Scenario

- 1. Three sequential zeroForOne swaps occur using current pool prices.
- 2. A !zeroForOne swap happens, modifying lastCheckpoint.state.slot0.
- 3. The next zeroForOne swap uses the now stale slot0 value from step 2, leading to a miscalculated targetOutput.

If the system design intends to handle swaps asymmetrically, consider adjusting the _getTarget0utput function so that, whenever the swap direction is zeroFor0ne, it explicitly sets slot0 to the current state of the pool to ensure that the most recent price is always used.

Low Severity

L-01 Incomplete Docstrings

Throughout the codebase, multiple instances of incomplete docstrings were identified:

- In IHookEvents.sol, the HookSwap, HookFee, HookModifyLiquidity, and HookBonus events do not have any explanation regarding the purpose of each parameter.
- The same is true for the Place, Fill, Cancel, and Withdraw events of the LimitOrderHook.sol contract. Moreover, many function parameters and return values are also not documented.

Consider thoroughly documenting all functions/events (and their parameters or return values) that are part of a contract's public API. When writing docstrings, consider following the Ethereum Natural Specification Format (NatSpec).

Notes & Additional Information

N-01 Missing Named Parameters in Mappings

Since <u>Solidity 0.8.18</u>, mappings can include named parameters to provide more clarity about their purpose. Named parameters allow mappings to be declared in the form <u>mapping(KeyType KeyName? => ValueType ValueName?)</u>. This feature enhances code readability and maintainability.

Within LimitOrderHook.sol, multiple instances of mappings without named parameters were identified:

- The <u>liquidity</u> state variable
- The <u>tickLowerLasts</u> state variable
- The orders state variable
- The orderInfos state variable

Consider adding named parameters to mappings in order to improve the readability and maintainability of the codebase.

N-02 Custom Errors in require Statements

Since Solidity <u>version</u> <u>0.8.26</u>, custom error support has been added to <u>require</u> statements. While initially this feature was only available through the IR pipeline, Solidity <u>0.8.27</u> extended support to the legacy pipeline as well.

Throughout the codebase, multiple instances of if-revert statements that could be replaced with require statements were identified:

- LimitOrderHook
- LiquidityPenaltyHook
- BaseOverrideFee
- BaseHook
- BaseDvnamicFee
- BaseDynamicAfterFee
- BaseCustomAccounting

For conciseness and gas savings, consider replacing if-revert statements with require ones.

N-03 Unused Error

In LimitOrderHook.sol, the <u>AlreadyInitialized</u> <u>error</u> is unused.

To improve the overall clarity, intentionality, and readability of the codebase, consider either using or removing any currently unused errors.

Conclusion

The audited codebase introduces three new hook contracts: AntiSandwichHook to protect from sandwich attacks, LimitOrderHook for placing limit orders, and LiquidityPenaltyHook to handle potential penalties for JIT attacks. In addition, some small changes introduced since the previous release were also included in the scope.

Multiple high- and critical-severity vulnerabilities were identified, mainly related to the nuances of the inner mechanisms of Uniswap v4. Given the fact that fixing these issues requires a substantial refactoring of the current codebase, the Uniswap team is encouraged to fix the outstanding vulnerabilities and then go for another round of audits for the post-fix version of the codebase.

The Uniswap team is appreciated for being responsive and helpful throughout the audit period. The supplied documentation was also enough to provide the audit team with the necessary context.