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# 1 Overview

This report has been prepared for Davos on the Polygon network. Paladin provides a user-centred examination of the smart contracts to look for vulnerabilities, logic errors or other issues from both an internal and external perspective.

## 1.1 Summary

<b>Project Name</b>	Davos
<b>URL</b>	<a href="https://davos.xyz/">https://davos.xyz/</a>
<b>Platform</b>	Polygon
<b>Language</b>	Solidity
<b>Preliminary Contracts</b>	Governance: <a href="https://github.com/davos-money/davos-governance/commit/5280e8a55c6418558c3061ca4590cf364ccf1277">https://github.com/davos-money/davos-governance/commit/5280e8a55c6418558c3061ca4590cf364ccf1277</a>
<b>Resolution 1</b>	a3bf50c1417ec541eab4c0e37d73192cc2992948 for Davos-Governance
<b>Resolution 2</b>	<a href="https://github.com/davos-money/davos-governance">https://github.com/davos-money/davos-governance</a> commit: b3d01008f0958808051935a0b95c87393ba37653 Fixed decimals

## 1.2 Contracts Assessed

Name	Contract	Live Code Match
GaugeFactory		
BorrowGauge		
MarketGauge		
PairGauge		
DGT		
EpochsTimer		
Voter		
VoteScrow		
VoterRolesAuthority	Not used	

## 1.3 Findings Summary

Severity	Found	Resolved	Partially Resolved	Acknowledged (no change made)
● Governance	1	1	-	-
● High	5	5	-	-
● Medium	12	8	-	4
● Low	8	4	1	3
● Informational	13	10	1	2
Total	39	28	2	9

### Classification of Issues

Severity	Description
● Governance	Issues under this category are where the governance or owners of the protocol have certain privileges that users need to be aware of, some of which can result in the loss of user funds if the governance's private keys are lost or if they turn malicious, for example.
● High	Exploits, vulnerabilities or errors that will certainly or probabilistically lead towards loss of funds, control, or impairment of the contract and its functions. Issues under this classification are recommended to be fixed with utmost urgency.
● Medium	Bugs or issues with that may be subject to exploit, though their impact is somewhat limited. Issues under this classification are recommended to be fixed as soon as possible.
● Low	Effects are minimal in isolation and do not pose a significant danger to the project or its users. Issues under this classification are recommended to be fixed nonetheless.
● Informational	Consistency, syntax or style best practices. Generally pose a negligible level of risk, if any.

## 1.3.1 General Issues

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
01	GOV	Governance risk	✓ RESOLVED
02	HIGH	Emergency mode could potentially be permanently in DOS	✓ RESOLVED
03	MEDIUM	The protocol does not work with tokens with decimals other than 18	✓ RESOLVED
04	LOW	Redundant auth functions	ACKNOWLEDGED
05	LOW	The whole codebase lacks events for key state changes	PARTIAL
06	INFO	Project does not work with tokens that have a fee on transfer	ACKNOWLEDGED
07	INFO	Unused interface	✓ RESOLVED
08	INFO	uint and uint256 is used across contracts	✓ RESOLVED
09	INFO	Inconsistent way of updating rewards through gauges	ACKNOWLEDGED

## 1.3.2 GaugeFactory

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
10	MEDIUM	Creating a Market or a Pair gauge does not check correctly for an existing gauge	✓ RESOLVED
11	MEDIUM	setVoter can be grieved	✓ RESOLVED

## 1.3.3 BorrowGauge

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
12	MEDIUM	Rewards can be lost when a gauge has no stakers	ACKNOWLEDGED
13	MEDIUM	Dust accumulation over time will remain in the contract	✓ RESOLVED
14	LOW	Reward of zero amount pushes the spread	✓ RESOLVED
15	INFO	Typographical issues	✓ RESOLVED



## 1.3.4 MarketGauge

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
16	HIGH	Fees will be stuck in MarketGauge	✓ RESOLVED
17	MEDIUM	Rewards can be lost when a gauge has no stakers	ACKNOWLEDGED
18	LOW	getReward can be called only via the Voter	✓ RESOLVED
19	INFO	claimFees and claimMarketFees have the same logic	✓ RESOLVED

## 1.3.5 PairGauge

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
20	HIGH	Fees will be stuck in PairGauge	✓ RESOLVED
21	MEDIUM	Rewards can be lost when a gauge has no stakers	ACKNOWLEDGED
22	MEDIUM	Rewards can be manipulated by big holders	ACKNOWLEDGED
23	MEDIUM	Dust accumulation over time will remain in the contract	✓ RESOLVED
24	MEDIUM	The check within the notifyRewardAmount is incorrect	✓ RESOLVED
25	LOW	Implementation contract can be initialized	✓ RESOLVED
26	INFO	Typographical issues	✓ RESOLVED
27	INFO	Gas optimizations	✓ RESOLVED

## 1.3.6 DGT

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
28	MEDIUM	supplyCap is never enforced, allowing the number of tokens minted to exceed it	✓ RESOLVED
29	INFO	DGT inherits IDGT, which has no declared functions	✓ RESOLVED

## 1.3.7 EpochsTimer

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
30	INFO	TWO_WEEKS could be constant	✓ RESOLVED

## 1.3.8 Voter

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
31	HIGH	totWeightsPerEpoch does not decrease when a gauge is killed	✓ RESOLVED
32	MEDIUM	When a new factory is set, it is not tracked in its corresponding array and mapping	✓ RESOLVED
33	LOW	The _reset function can be DoSed	ACKNOWLEDGED
34	LOW	Approvals can be increased for killed gauges	✓ RESOLVED
35	INFO	Gas optimizations	PARTIAL
36	INFO	Typographical issues	✓ RESOLVED
37	INFO	Unused function	✓ RESOLVED

## 1.3.9 VoteScrow

ID	Severity	Summary	Status
38	HIGH	The merge function artificially increases the supply	✓ RESOLVED
39	LOW	tokenURI does not return the tokenURI	ACKNOWLEDGED

## 1.3.10 VoterRolesAuthority

No issues found.

# 2 Findings



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## 2.1 General Issues

The issues listed in this section apply to the protocol as a whole. Please read through them carefully and take care to apply the fixes across the relevant contracts.



## 2.1.1 Issues & Recommendations

Issue #01	Governance risk
Severity	 GOVERNANCE
Description	<p>After the review of the contracts in scope, we have pointed out various governance privileged roles. These roles have significant permissions, and if misused, they could potentially facilitate unauthorized access and redirection of funds. Such permissions might allow an actor with malicious intent to steal funds or execute undesirable actions within the protocol.</p>
Recommendation	<p>Paladin recommends being extremely cautious when handling the governance functions.</p> <p>Each role that has access to sensitive governance power should be under a multi-signature setup with <math>\frac{3}{5}</math> or more signatures needed to exercise that role.</p> <p>To reduce the risk, consider implementing time-locks on the sensitive functions who can drain contracts or change sensitive functionality.</p> <p>Additionally, we recommend using a more robust roles-system like Access-Control-List which can improve the security by splitting the governance roles based on their criticality, those who are under a critical risk, to be in isolated multi-signature wallets with trusted and KYCed signers.</p>
Resolution	 RESOLVED
	<p>The team has stated: "VoterRolesAuthority removed due to unnamed roles. Thena's PermissionsRegistry introduced with modification. Ownable's owner replaced both ThenaMultisig and TeamMultisig. Each governance role will be under multisig address. Each critical governance role will be under isolated multisig address. To reduce the impact of risky operations that will drain out the contract, Openzeppelin's TimeLockController will be deployed and used as the owner of those roles."</p>

**Issue #02****Emergency mode could potentially be permanently in DOS****Severity** HIGH SEVERITY**Description**

Within GaugeFactory, the functions to create gauges do not have any access control restrictions. After deploying the gauge its address is pushed into an array.

```
latest = address(proxy);  
gauges.push(latest);
```

There are several functions in the codebase that rely on looping through all these gauges, either to activate the emergency mode. One of them is `activateEmergencyMode()`, which is in charge of pausing all the existing gauges in the same transaction.

```
function activateEmergencyMode() external EmergencyCouncil {  
    uint i = 0;  
    for (i; i < gauges.length; i++) {  
        IGauge(gauges[i]).activateEmergencyMode();  
    }  
}
```

A attacker could push as many gauges as they want to grief the costs of executing the affected functions and if enough gauges are created, potentially not being able to execute functions like `activateEmergencyMode()`.



**Recommendation**



Either add a modifier to who can deploy new gauges or do not have functions that loop through all the gauges. Instead, the caller should be able to pass an array of addresses that they want to call.



**Resolution** RESOLVED



Every function that can create a gauge has now a role `onlyOwnerOrRegistry`. The DoS risk is still present if the owner or a `GAUGE_ADMIN` creates multiple gauges. Consider monitoring this process carefully.



Issue #03	The protocol does not work with tokens with decimals other than 18
Severity	 MEDIUM SEVERITY
Description	Throughout the contracts, the computations assume that the tokens have 18 decimals as multiple computations are done with 1e18.
Recommendation	Consider not using any token that is different than 18 decimals, otherwise the computations will not work as expected.
Resolution	 RESOLVED The protocol uses now the decimals of the tokens that are used within various contracts.

Issue #04	Redundant auth functions
Severity	 LOW SEVERITY
Description	<p>The following code containing authentication functions is present in DGT contract:</p> <pre data-bbox="451 1173 1417 1518"> // --- Auth --- mapping (address =&gt; uint) public wards; function rely(address guy) external auth { wards[guy] = 1; } function deny(address guy) external auth { wards[guy] = 0; } modifier auth { require(wards[msg.sender] == 1, "Bribe/ not-authorized"); _; }</pre>
Recommendation	Consider creating a specific contract called Auth.sol and inheriting it in the previously mentioned contracts.
Resolution	 ACKNOWLEDGED The contracts that use the wards approach mimic the MakerDAO format.

Issue #05	The whole codebase lacks events for key state changes
Severity	 LOW SEVERITY
Description	<p>In most of the contracts, there are several functions that change ownership, permissions, or update key states of the codebase but are missing events.</p> <p>Some example of functions missing events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Gauge.sol : setVoter()</li> <li>- Voter.sol:             <pre>setVoteDelay(),setGaugeFactory(),setPermissionsRegistry(),addFactory(),increaseGaugeApprovals(),replaceFactory(),removeFactory()</pre> </li> <li>- MarketGauge.sol: setFlywheel()</li> </ul>
Recommendation	Add events for each function and emit them accordingly.
Resolution	 PARTIALLY RESOLVED <p>There are still some functions that are do not have events emitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- BorrowGauge.sol -&gt; updateRewards()</li> <li>- several functions within VotingEscrow</li> <li>- various functions within Voter</li> </ul>

Issue #06	Project does not work with tokens that have a fee on transfer
Severity	 INFORMATIONAL
Description	<p>The whole architecture has several sections which will not work with tokens with a fee on transfer as this will break the whole system.</p>
Recommendation	Consider not using such tokens.
Resolution	 ACKNOWLEDGED

Issue #07 Unused interface	
Severity	 INFORMATIONAL
Description	The IRewarder interface declared in the Gauge.sol abstract contract is not used anywhere within the codebase.
Recommendation	Consider removing the interface.
Resolution	 RESOLVED

Issue #08 uint and uint256 is used across contracts	
Severity	 INFORMATIONAL
Description	Throughout the contracts, uint and uint256 types are used inconsistently.
Recommendation	Consider using only uint256 for a better readability of the codebase.
Resolution	 RESOLVED





## Severity

 INFORMATIONAL

## Description

In the different types of gauges (borrow, market and pair), the way rewards are updated is not consistent. For example, in the borrow gauge contract, rewards get updated with a modifier:

```
modifier updateReward(address account) {  
    rewardPerTokenStored = rewardPerToken();  
    lastUpdateTime = lastTimeRewardApplicable();  
    if (account != address(0)) {  
        rewards[account] = earned(account);  
        userRewardPerTokenPaid[account] =  
rewardPerTokenStored;  
    }  
    -;  
}
```

And in the pair gauge contract, they get updated with a public function:


```
function updateRewards(address account) public {  
  
    tps = rewardPerToken();  
    lastUpdate = lastTimeRewardApplicable();  
  
    if (account != address(0)) {  
        rewards[account] = earned(account);  
        tpsPaid[account] = tps;  
    }  
}
```

The use of different methods makes the codebase harder to understand.

## Recommendation

Consider either using the modifier system or the function system and stick to it for all the gauges.

## Resolution

 ACKNOWLEDGED

The team has stated that with some of the contracts, the function was made public for testing purposes.

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## 2.2 GaugeFactory

GaugeFactory is a contract dedicated to deploying a variety of gauge contracts. These gauge contracts interface with the Voter contract, which governs the distribution of rewards to users based on their votes.

### Key Functionalities



- **Gauge Deployment:** The GaugeFactory is equipped to deploy three primary types of gauges:
  - ▶ Borrow Gauge: Gauges that are created for the borrowing feature of Davos
  - ▶ Pair Gauge: Gauges that are created under a normal staking-like feature
  - ▶ Market Gauge: Gauges that are created for distributing rewards collected in a Flywheel contract.
- **Voter Contract Integration:** Once the gauges are deployed, they seamlessly integrate with the Voter contract. This interaction allows users to cast their votes on how rewards should be distributed. Based on collective consensus and voting mechanisms, users receive rewards proportionate to their stake and influence.
- **Emergency Mode**
  - ▶ Activation: In case of unforeseen events, anomalies, or security threats, the GaugeFactory has a provision to activate an emergency mode. Upon activation, all gauges' operations are suspended, ensuring safety and preventing potential exploits or loss of funds.
  - ▶ Deactivation: Once the threat is assessed and addressed, the GaugeFactory provides the functionality to deactivate the emergency mode, resuming the normal operations of all gauges. This ensures that the system remains agile, adapting to emerging challenges and mitigating risks promptly.

## 2.2.1 Privileged Functions

- `setRegistry`
- `setVoter`
- `setImplementation`
- `activateEmergencyMode`
- `stopEmergencyMode`



## 2.2.2 Issues & Recommendations

<b>Issue #10</b>	<b>Creating a Market or a Pair gauge does not check correctly for an existing gauge</b>
<b>Severity</b>	 MEDIUM SEVERITY
<b>Description</b>	<p>3 types of gauges can be deployed with the factory contract:</p> <pre>enum Target {     BORROW,     MARKET,     PAIR }</pre> <p>Each one should be referenced correctly when deploying each type of gauge.</p> <p>When checking whether an implementation has already been deployed for a Target, all three targets — BORROW, MARKET and PAIR — check whether the implementation was deployed for the BORROW Target.</p> <pre>address logic = implementations[Target.BORROW]; require(logic != address(0), "GaugeFactory/invalid-implementation");</pre> <p>This allows for the deployment of the other 2 gauges, PAIR and MARKET, even if the implementation was not deployed.</p>
<b>Recommendation</b>	<p>For the functions createMarketGauge and createPairGauge, change the check:</p> <pre>address logic = implementations[Target.BORROW];</pre> <p>to</p> <pre>address logic = implementations[Target.MARKET];</pre> <p>and</p> <pre>address logic = implementations[Target.PAIR];</pre> <p>respectively.</p>
<b>Resolution</b>	 RESOLVED

**Issue #11****setVoter can be grieved****Severity** MEDIUM SEVERITY**Description**

The function setVoter loops through all the gauges created in the factory and sets the voter to whatever address the owner chooses for every gauge.

Anyone can deploy any gauge without restriction from the factory and it is pushed to the array.

An attacker can deploy as many gauges as they want to grief the owner and massively increase the cost of calling setVoter, potentially even reaching a DOS state.

**Recommendation**

Do not loop through all deployed gauges from the factory. Rather get the gauges deployed directly from the Voter contract, which they have the access control named VoterAdmin, which is the only address one that can deploy.

**Resolution** RESOLVED

The functions that can create a gauge has now the onlyOwnerOrRegistry role. The DoS risk is still present if the owner or a GAUGE\_ADMIN creates multiple gauges. Consider monitoring this process carefully.

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## 2.3 BorrowGauge

BorrowGauge is specifically tailored to serve the borrow market within the DAVOS decentralized ecosystem. Its primary function revolves around computing and distributing DGT rewards to users who provide collateral within the borrowing mechanism of DAVOS.



With epochs demarcated as 2-week intervals, rewards are computed and disbursed periodically, incentivizing users for their active participation in the borrowing market.

The contract intelligently calculates the DGT rewards for each user based on the proportion of collaterals they have provided. This ensures that rewards are equitable and directly proportional to a user's contribution to the borrowing feature.

### 2.3.1 Privileged Functions

- `notifyRewardAmount`
- `getReward`
- `setVoter`
- `activateEmergencyMode`
- `stopEmergencyMode`

## 2.3.2 Issues & Recommendations

<b>Issue #12</b>	<b>Rewards can be lost when a gauge has no stakers</b>
<b>Severity</b>	 MEDIUM SEVERITY
<b>Description</b>	<p>notifyRewardAmount is used to distribute new rewards over a certain distribution timeline called spread (currently set at 2 weeks).</p> <p>If this function is called before a user stakes (meaning totalSupply will not return 0), the rewards between the start of the epoch until the user has debt (totalSupply will not return 0) will be lost.</p>
<b>Recommendation</b>	Consider being aware of this and start the rewards distribution after stakers are present in the contract. Otherwise, extra logic must be implemented to delay the rewards start if no stakers are in the contract.
<b>Resolution</b>	 ACKNOWLEDGED

**Description**

Within BorrowGauge, rewards can be distributed to the gauge by the onlyVoter role by calling `notifyRewardAmount`. The amount of rewards that should be distributed are defined by the reward parameter.

Within this function, a mathematical operation is done to determine the rate of distributing these rewards over a certain spread (currently set at 2 weeks which means approximately 1209600 seconds).

The formula for the rate is  $\text{reward} / \text{spread}$  (we will ignore the case when a reward is notified before a previous one finishes because it has the same behavior). Due to Solidity's rounding down behavior, the rate will almost never be a whole number which will result in dust amounts to remain in the contract.

$\text{rate} = \text{reward} / \text{spread}$

but

$\text{reward} \approx \text{rate} * \text{spread}$

The reward resulting from the above mathematical operation is highly likely to be less than the reward that was transferred to the contract, resulting in dust accumulating over time.



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**Recommendation** Consider transferring only the rate \* spread instead of the reward from the voter. Additionally, consider returning this amount in the function, so you can update the voter the actual amount transferred.

**Current code**

```
rewardToken.safeTransferFrom(voter, address(this), reward);
```

```
if (block.timestamp >= end) {  
    rate = reward / spread;  
} else {  
    uint256 remaining = end - block.timestamp;  
    uint256 leftover = remaining * rate;  
    rate = (reward + leftover) / spread;  
}
```

Can be changed into

```
if (block.timestamp >= end) {  
    rate = reward / spread;  
    reward = rate * spread;  
} else {  
    uint256 remaining = end - block.timestamp;  
    uint256 leftover = remaining * rate;  
    reward = (reward / spread) * spread;  
    rate = (reward + leftover) / spread;  
}
```

```
reward = rate * spread;  
rewardToken.safeTransferFrom(voter, address(this), reward);  
[...]  
return reward;
```

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**Resolution**



The reward is updated accordingly with the new rate and returned in the Voter which takes it into consideration.

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**Issue #14****Reward of zero amount pushes the spread****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

notifyRewardAmount is used to distribute new rewards over a certain distribution timeline called spread (currently set at 2 weeks).

If this function is called before the last period ends, the remaining amount is spread more gradually over a new spread. If this function is called with zero amount and within a previous spread, the rewards will just dilute over the next period.



**Recommendation**

Consider if this is the desired behavior. If not, consider either returning early after the updateRewards call, or revert in case the amount is zero.

**Resolution** RESOLVED

The team has stated that the current voter implementation does not distribute 0 rewards and for all the future implementations of a voter, they will be mindful to not distribute 0 rewards.



Issue #15	Typographical issues
Severity	 INFORMATIONAL
Description	<p>The updateRewards function does not have the nonReentrant modifier. Consider wrapping the logic into a private function and use that function for internal calls. The public function then can have a nonReentrant modifier.</p> <p>Additionally, consider if this public function needs to emit an event.</p> <p>——</p> <p>When initializing the gauge through the __Gauge_init function, the variable emergency is initialized to false.</p> <p>This is an unnecessary initialization because the variable is already false by default.</p>
Recommendation	Consider fixing the typographical issues.
Resolution	 RESOLVED



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## 2.4 MarketGauge


MarketGauge focuses on the distribution of rewards that originate from the Flywheel contract. Functioning in synergy with Flywheel, which itself is a comprehensive incentive manager, the MarketGauge contract ensures that rewards, stemming from diverse strategies curated by Flywheel, are methodically allocated to deserving users.



### 2.4.1 Privileged Functions



- `notifyRewardAmount`
- `setFlywheel`
- `getReward`
- `setVoter`
- `activateEmergencyMode`
- `stopEmergencyMode`





## 2.4.2 Issues & Recommendations

Issue #16	Fees will be stuck in MarketGauge
Severity	 HIGH SEVERITY
Description	<p>Any admin fees are claimed via the <code>claimFees</code> function. It first withdraws the fees from the market:</p> <pre>IMarket(target)._withdrawAdminFees(fees);</pre> <p>However, it lacks the ability to withdraw those fees outside the MarketGauge contract.</p>
Recommendation	<p>Either uncomment the following code:</p> <pre>// IERC20(underlying).approve(internal_bribe, fees); // IBribe(internal_bribe).notifyRewardAmount(underlying, fees);</pre> <p>or add a setter function to withdraw those fees from the gauge.</p>
Resolution	 RESOLVED The fees logic has been removed.

Issue #17	Rewards can be lost when a gauge has no stakers
Severity	 MEDIUM SEVERITY
Description	<p><code>notifyRewardAmount</code> is used to distribute new rewards over a certain distribution timeline called spread (currently set at 2 weeks).</p> <p>If this function is called before a user stakes (meaning <code>totalSupply</code> will not return 0), the rewards between the start of the epoch until the user has debt (<code>totalSupply</code> will not return 0) will be lost.</p>
Recommendation	Consider being aware of this and start the rewards distribution after stakers are present in the contract. Otherwise, extra logic must be implemented to delay the rewards start if no stakers are in the contract.
Resolution	 ACKNOWLEDGED

Issue #18	getReward can be called only via the Voter
Severity	 LOW SEVERITY
Description	<p>getReward is a function that lets the user claim its rewards distributed to its voting power. Within the other Gauges contracts, there is a public function that gets the reward for <code>msg.sender</code>, which gives a bit more flexibility for the user to individually claim for specific gauges.</p> <p>This can be a good way to claim in case the call via the Voter contract will revert, specifically to the fact that within the voter, there is a loop over an array of gauges that calls the claim.</p>
Recommendation	Consider adding a specific function that is not guarded by the <code>onlyVoter</code> modifier and that will let <code>msg.sender</code> claim their reward.
Resolution	 RESOLVED A getReward public function has been added.

Issue #19	claimFees and claimMarketFees have the same logic
Severity	 INFORMATIONAL
Description	<p><code>claimFees</code> and <code>claimMarketFees</code> have the same logic, with <code>claimFees</code> calling the <code>claimMarketFees</code>. This seems to be obsolete and might need to be removed to avoid any confusion.</p>
Recommendation	Consider if it is necessary to have the two functions, otherwise, consider keeping just one.
Resolution	 RESOLVED The fees logic has been removed.

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## 2.5 PairGauge

PairGauge is responsible for the distribution of rewards in line with straightforward staking contract mechanisms. Users, by staking their assets in the form of rewardToken, are entitled to rewards over time, which are dynamically calculated based on the duration of their staking.



PairGauge will always distribute rewards once these are added to the gauge. The distribution happens every epoch, the epoch currently being set to 2 weeks at the time of this audit.

### 2.5.1 Privileged Functions



- getReward
- notifyRewardAmount
- setVoter
- activateEmergencyMode
- stopEmergencyMode





## 2.5.2 Issues & Recommendations

Issue #20	Fees will be stuck in PairGauge
Severity	 HIGH SEVERITY
Description	<p>Admin fees are claimed via the <code>claimFees</code> function.</p> <p>It first withdraws the fees from the pair:</p> <pre>(claimed0, claimed1) = pair.claimFees();</pre> <p>However, it lacks the ability to withdraw those fees outside the PairGauge contract.</p>
Recommendation	<p>Either uncomment the following code:</p> <pre>// IERC20(_token0).approve(internal_bribe, 0); // IERC20(_token0).approve(internal_bribe, _fees0); // IBribe(internal_bribe).notifyRewardAmount(_token0, _fees0);</pre> <p>or add a setter function to withdraw those fees from the gauge.</p>
Resolution	 RESOLVED
	<p>The fees logic has been removed and the team has stated: "The IPair interface has function in the context of Thena internal pairs. Since we are not using Thena's dex, we think we should remove and refine all fee related interfaces."</p>



Issue #21 Rewards can be lost when a gauge has no stakers	
Severity	 MEDIUM SEVERITY
Description	<p>notifyRewardAmount is used to distribute new rewards over a certain distribution timeline called spread (currently set at 2 weeks).</p> <p>If this function is called before a user stakes (meaning totalSupply will not return 0), the rewards between the start of the epoch until the user has debt (totalSupply will not return 0) will be lost.</p>
Recommendation	Consider being aware of this and start the rewards distribution after stakers are present in the contract. Otherwise, extra logic must be implemented to delay the rewards start if no stakers are in the contract.
Resolution	 ACKNOWLEDGED

Issue #22 Rewards can be manipulated by big holders	
Severity	 MEDIUM SEVERITY
Description	<p>PairGauge is a staking contract that distributes rewards within a specific epoch based on how much rewardToken has been deposited by users as a stake and the time the staked amount was present in the contract.</p> <p>A big rewardToken holder can deposit a big amount at the beginning of each epoch, capturing a big amount of the rewards distributed at the final of the epoch, due to the fact that there is no downside, except the fact that the holder must keep the staked amount within the contract for as long as possible.</p>
Recommendation	Consider if a deposit fee is desired to discourage big holders to manipulate the rewards distribution in their favor.
Resolution	 ACKNOWLEDGED <p>The team stated that this functionality is as intended.</p>

**Description**

Within PairGauge, the rewards can be distributed to the gauge by the onlyVoter role by calling `notifyRewardAmount`. The amount of rewards that should be distributed are defined by the reward parameter.

Within this function, a mathematical operation is done to determine the `rewardRate` of distributing these rewards over a certain duration (currently set at 2 weeks which means approximately 1209600 seconds).

The formula for the rate is `reward / duration` (we will ignore the case when a reward is notified before a previous one finishes because it has the same behavior).

Due to Solidity's rounding down behavior, the rate will almost never be a whole number which will result in dust amounts to remain in the contract.

```
rewardRate = reward / duration  
but  
reward ≈ rewardRate * duration
```

The reward resulting from the above mathematical operation has high chances to be less than the reward that was transferred to the contract resulting in dust accumulating over-time.

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**Recommendation** Consider transferring only the rate \* duration instead of the reward from the voter. Additionally, consider returning this amount in the function, so you can update the voter the actual amount transferred.

**Current code**

```
require(token == address(rewardToken), "not rew token");
rewardToken.safeTransferFrom(voter, address(this), reward);

if (block.timestamp >= periodFinish) {
    rewardRate = reward / duration;
} else {
    uint256 remaining = periodFinish - block.timestamp;
    uint256 leftover = remaining * rewardRate;
    rewardRate = (reward + leftover) / duration;
}
```

Can be changed into

```
require(token == address(rewardToken), "not rew token");
if (block.timestamp >= periodFinish) {
    rewardRate = reward / duration;
    reward = rewardRate * duration;
} else {
    uint256 remaining = periodFinish - block.timestamp;
    uint256 leftover = remaining * rewardRate;
    reward = (reward / duration) * duration;
    rewardRate = (reward + leftover) / duration;
}

rewardToken.safeTransferFrom(voter, address(this), reward);

return reward;
```



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**Resolution**







The reward is updated accordingly with the new rate and returned in the Voter which takes it into consideration.

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Issue #24	The check within the notifyRewardAmount is incorrect
Severity	 MEDIUM SEVERITY
Description	<p>Within the notifyRewardAmount, a check is done to see if the balance of the contract of the rewardToken is enough to pay all the rewards that were transferred to the contract.</p> <p>Unfortunately this check will almost always pass because the balance of the contract will most certainly be higher than the total reward balance due to the fact that the PairGauge accepts deposits of the rewardToken from the users to be eligible for the rewards, therefore the contract balance will always be higher.</p> <pre>require(rewardRate &lt;= balance / duration, "Provided reward too high");</pre>
Recommendation	<p>Consider subtracting the totalSupply (which keeps track of all the deposits) from the balance calculation of the requirement.</p> <pre>require(rewardRate &lt;= (balance - totalSupply) / duration, "Provided reward too high");</pre>
Resolution	 RESOLVED <p>The contract has been refactored to use target as the staking token and rewardToken is used as the reward.</p>

Issue #25	Implementation contract can be initialized
Severity	 LOW SEVERITY
Description	<p>There is no function to disable the initialization in the implementation contract. Unlike other types of gauges, the pair gauge is missing a call to _disableInitializers() in the constructor.</p>
Recommendation	<p>Add the following constructor:</p> <pre>constructor() { _disableInitializers(); }</pre>
Resolution	 RESOLVED <p></p>

Issue #26	Typographical issues
<b>Severity</b>	 INFORMATIONAL
<b>Description</b>	<p><u>Line 96</u> reward for a sinle token</p> <p>"sinle" should be "single".</p> <p>——</p> <p>The claimFees and claimPairFees have the same logic. Consider if it is necessary to keep both functions, if not, consider keeping just one.</p> <p>——</p> <p>encode/decode seems obsolete within the _claimFees as they are anyhow returned as two separate variables within the claimPairFees.</p>
<b>Recommendation</b>	Consider fixing the typographical issues.
<b>Resolution</b>	 RESOLVED

Issue #27	Gas optimizations
<b>Severity</b>	 INFORMATIONAL
<b>Description</b>	<p>withdrawAllAndHarvest calls updateReward twice, consuming gas.</p> <p>——</p> <p>Consider wrapping getReward within an internal function that does not call updateReward and use this function throughout the code when is the update was already called.</p>
<b>Recommendation</b>	Consider implementing the gas optimizations mentioned above.
<b>Resolution</b>	 RESOLVED

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## 2.6 DGT

DGT is the Davos Governance ERC20 token.



### 2.6.1 Privileged Functions

- `mint`



## 2.6.2 Issues & Recommendations

<b>Issue #28</b>	<b>supplyCap is never enforced, allowing the number of tokens minted to exceed it</b>
<b>Severity</b>	 MEDIUM SEVERITY
<b>Description</b>	The protocol has a variable called supplyCap whose purpose is to not be surpassed. The amount of tokens minted is never checked against this.
<b>Recommendation</b>	Check that supplyCap is not surpassed in the mint function: <code>require( totalSupply() + amount&lt;= supplyCap, "DGT/supply-cap-exceeded" );</code>
<b>Resolution</b>	 RESOLVED

<b>Issue #29</b>	<b>DGT inherits IDGT, which is has no declared functions</b>
<b>Severity</b>	 INFORMATIONAL
<b>Description</b>	The DGT contract inherits from the interface IDGT, but this one has no functions declared, therefore it is useless.
<b>Recommendation</b>	Consider either removing the IDGT interface or declaring the necessary functions on it.
<b>Resolution</b>	 RESOLVED

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## 2.7 EpochsTimer

EpochsTimer works as the contract that returns the active period of the Minter. It is able to update the period and return the current one. Generally, this period is attached to the actual `block.timestamp`.





## 2.7.1 Issues & Recommendations

<b>Issue #30</b>	<b>TWO_WEEKS could be constant</b>
<b>Severity</b>	 INFORMATIONAL
<b>Description</b>	The variable TWO_WEEKS is set two 2 weeks and will never change.
<b>Recommendation</b>	Directly declare 2 weeks in the contract instead of having to initialize the variable to set the 2 weeks value, and add the constant keyword to it.
<b>Resolution</b>	 RESOLVED

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## 2.8 Voter

Voter is responsible for most of the rewards distribution within the protocol. It lets the users use their VotingEscrow power to vote for rewards distributions on different gauges that are present within the protocol.

The governance can manage gauges within the voter, giving the possibility to add new gauges, kill or revive them.



Each user can vote a specific gauge with their voting power by calling `vote`. The rewards accumulation is done by calling `notifyRewardAmount` which compounds the rewards for a specific epoch.

To distribute the rewards, the `distribute` function can be called which distributes the rewards based on the gauge's weight.

### 2.8.1 Privileged Functions

- `setVoteDelay`
- `setGaugeFactory`
- `setPermissionsRegistry`
- `increaseGaugeApprovals`
- `addFactory`
- `replaceFactory`
- `removeFactory`
- `killGauge`
- `reviveGauge`
- `_createBorrowGauge`
- `_createMarketGauge`
- `_createPairGauge`

## 2.8.2 Issues & Recommendations

<b>Issue #31</b>	<b>totWeightsPerEpoch does not decrease when a gauge is killed</b>
<b>Severity</b>	 <b>HIGH SEVERITY</b>
<b>Description</b>	<p>When a gauge is killed using the killGauge function, the weights per epoch are not decreased from the totWeightsPerEpoch. This makes the variable to show a return a wrong value.</p> <p>This function is called within the totalWeightAt which is used to calculate the rewards distributed at a certain epoch within the notifyRewardAmount, resulting in funds remaining stuck in the contract for the current epoch.</p> <p>We agree that for the past epochs, the weights should not be removed as we assume the rewards are already distributed, but for the current epoch, the weights should be removed.</p>
<b>Recommendation</b>	<p>Consider removing the weight of a specific gauge when it gets killed:</p> <pre>uint256 _time = _epochTimestamp(); totWeightsPerEpoch[_time] -= weightsPerEpoch[_time] [targetForGauge[_gauge]];</pre>
<b>Resolution</b>	 <b>RESOLVED</b>

**Issue #32****When a new factory is set, it is not tracked in its corresponding array and mapping****Severity** MEDIUM SEVERITY**Description**

When changing the address of the gaugeFactory in the function setGaugeFactory:

```
function setGaugeFactory(address _gaugeFactory) external
VoterAdmin {
    gaugeFactory = _gaugeFactory;
}
```


The address of the new factory is not pushed to the corresponding array that tracks all the gauge factories: `address[] public gaugeFactories`; or marking it in the mapping as `isGaugeFactory`.

**Recommendation**

The job of the function `setGaugeFactory()` is the same one that the `replaceFactory()` function. It changes the address of the last gaugeFactory. Therefore, the issue would be solved by calling `replaceFactory()` inside `setGaugeFactory()`.

**Resolution** RESOLVED

The contract checks if the factory is part of `isGaugeFactory` which is updated every time a gauge is added or replaced.

**Issue #33****The \_reset function can be DoSed****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

When a user wants to vote for a specific gauge, the gauge is added to an array of `targetVote` which keeps track of what gauges were voted by an `nftId`. Before a vote is casted, the `_reset` function is called which resets the votes for all the previous voted gauges.


As this array of `targetVote` always increases, over-time it can grow to a considerable length which will make the vote functionality to revert for specific a `nftId`.

**Recommendation**

Consider imposing a cap on how many targets a specific `nftId` can vote for, also consider adding a mechanism to remove gauges from a `targetVote` associated with a specific `nftId`, especially if a gauge has been retired or not used anymore.

**Resolution** ACKNOWLEDGED

The client stated: "The default implementation from Thena does have a function `reset` which removes all votes. The array `targetVote` does not indefinitely grow because `reset` deletes the array for `nft ID`."

**Issue #34****Approvals can be increased for killed gauges****Severity** LOW SEVERITY**Description**

Approvals for gauges are set from the `increaseGaugeApprovals()` function. This function is only callable by the Voter admin. The only requirement is that the gauge should be indeed a gauge created by the system. A killed gauge would still go through and get approved.

**Recommendation**

Consider adding the following check to the `increaseGaugeApprovals()` function:  
`require(isAlive[_gauge], "killed");`

**Resolution** RESOLVED

Issue #35	Gas optimizations
Severity	<div><div></div> INFORMATIONAL</div>
Description	<p>Various default initialization of variables consume unnecessary gas. E.g.</p> <pre>uint256 _totalVoteWeight = 0; uint256 _totalWeight = 0; uint256 _usedWeight = 0;</pre> <p>Consider removing these initializations with the default value.</p> <p><u>Line 256</u></p> <pre>uint256 _targetWeight = (_weights[i] * IVoteEscrow(_ve).balanceOfNFT(_tokenId)) / _totalVoteWeight;</pre> <p>Consider caching the <code>IVoteEscrow(_ve).balanceOfNFT(_tokenId)</code> to avoid an unnecessary external call.</p>
Recommendation	Consider implementing the gas optimizations mentioned above.
Resolution	<div><div></div> PARTIALLY RESOLVED</div>

**Description**

The following in-line comment is not true as the access control on this function was removed:

```
/// @dev    the function is called by the minter each epoch.  
Anyway anyone can top up some extra rewards.
```

Consider deleting the comment.

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There are several functions in the contract that are unused and completely commented out.

```
// /// @notice Set a new bribes for a given gauge  
// function setNewBribes(address _gauge, address _internal,  
address _external) external VoterAdmin {  
//   require(isGauge[_gauge] == true);  
//   _setInternalBribe(_gauge, _internal);  
//   _setExternalBribe(_gauge, _external);  
// }
```

```
// /// @notice Set a new internal bribe for a given gauge  
// function setInternalBribeFor(address _gauge, address  
_internal) external VoterAdmin {  
//   require(isGauge[_gauge]);  
//   _setInternalBribe(_gauge, _internal);  
// }
```

```
// /// @notice Set a new External bribe for a given gauge  
// function setExternalBribeFor(address _gauge, address  
_external) external VoterAdmin {  
//   require(isGauge[_gauge]);  
//   _setExternalBribe(_gauge, _external);  
// }
```

```
// function _setInternalBribe(address _gauge, address  
_internal) private {  
//   internal_bribes[_gauge] = _internal;  
// }
```

Remove the obsolete commented functions

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There are several instances in the contract where the code is not finished with several TODO statements:

```
// TODO verify that the target is an veDGT market in case the  
caller is not an admin
```

There are also several sections where there is commented code that can be removed:

```
// address[] memory _int = new address[](_targets.length);  
// address[] memory _ext = new address[](_targets.length);  
[...]  
// internal_bribes[_gauge] = _internal_bribe;  
// external_bribes[_gauge] = _external_bribe;
```

Consider keeping the contract clean of TODO statements and with all the respective unnecessary code removed or consider if the TODOs must be resolved before deploy the contract.

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<b>Recommendation</b>	Consider fixing the typographical issues.
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<b>Resolution</b>	 <b>RESOLVED</b>
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**RESOLVED**



**Issue #37****Unused function****Severity** INFORMATIONAL**Description**

distributedFees() seems to be redundant as it does not perform a change in state and it does not return any value.

```
function distributedFees(address[] memory _gauges) external {  
    for (uint i = 0; i < _gauges.length; i++) {  
        if (isGauge[_gauges[i]] && isAlive[_gauges[i]]) {  
            // IGauge(_gauges[i]).claimFees();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

**Recommendation**

Consider removing the function.

**Resolution** RESOLVED

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## 2.9 VoteScrow

VoteScrow is a VE model that was cornered by Curve Finance. It allows users which have DGT tokens staked under ongoing vesting, a granting power to vote on various contracts within the protocol.

The version used by Davos is a modified version by multiple parties, the last modified party being Thena.fi. This particular version records the voting power under NFTs, letting the users to use this NFT as a voting power.

Within the current scope, **the Voting Escrow logic that was inherited from the original Voting Escrow contract has been excluded.**

### 2.9.1 Privileged Functions

- setTeam
- setVoter
- voting
- abstain
- attach
- detach

## 2.9.2 Issues & Recommendations

### Issue #38

### The merge function artificially increases the supply

#### Severity

 HIGH SEVERITY

#### Description

The Thena implementation of the Voting Escrow contract includes a functionality to merge two NFTs together and combine their voting power.

Within this function, the amount that was locked from the `from` is added to the `to` balance by using the `_deposit_for` function. Because `deposit_for` does not take into account the previous deposit into the `from`, it treats it as a new deposit, which increases the supply variable with the `from` amount, which was already increased when the `from` has been deposited the initial amount.

By increasing artificially the total tokens locked within the VotingEscrow contract, an attacker can manipulate future functionality within the protocol.

The Paladin team did not discover a function impacted by this bug but we strongly recommend resolving it due to the fact that the VotingEscrow will impact the users over an extended period of time.

The merge function which calls `_deposit_for`:

```
function merge(uint _from, uint _to) external {  
  
    [...]  
  
    locked[_from] = LockedBalance(0, 0);  
    _checkpoint(_from, _locked0, LockedBalance(0, 0));  
    _burn(_from);  
    _deposit_for(_to, value0, end, _locked1,  
DepositType.MERGE_TYPE);  
}
```

```

_deposit_for increasing the supply by the provided amount
function _deposit_for(
    uint _tokenId,
    uint _value,
    uint unlock_time,
    LockedBalance memory locked_balance,
    DepositType deposit_type
) internal {
[...]
```

**Recommendation** Consider decreasing the supply with the from amount before calling the deposit\_for function.

**Resolution**  RESOLVED

## Issue #39 tokenURI does not return the tokenURI

**Severity**  LOW SEVERITY

**Description** The function tokenURI is unused and has unnecessary uncommented code.

```

function tokenURI(uint _tokenId) public view override
returns (string memory) {
    require(_ownerOf(_tokenId) != address(0), "Query for
nonexistent token");
    LockedBalance memory _locked = locked[_tokenId];
    // return //
    IVeArtProxy(artProxy)._tokenURI(_tokenId,_balanceOfNFT(_//
tokenId, //
block.timestamp),_locked.end,uint(int256(_locked.amount)));
}
```

**Recommendation** Return the URI of the ERC721 token.

**Resolution**  ACKNOWLEDGED

This is not used within the project, it is left for a later upgrade if needed.

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## 2.10 VoterRolesAuthority

**This contract was included in the initial audit scope but has been replaced by PermissionsRegistry from Thena, which is not included in the audit scope.**

VoterRolesAuthority mainly inherits Solmate's RolesAuthority contract which defines several roles for some addresses and who can call each function by storing the function selector as a key.

### 2.10.1 Privileged Functions

- setPublicCapability
- setRoleCapability
- setUserRole
- setAuthority
- transferOwnership

### 2.10.2 Issues & Recommendations

No issues found.





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