

Moxie Findings & Analysis Report

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1. Overview

1.1 About C4

Code4rena (C4) is an open organization consisting of security researchers, auditors, developers and individuals with domain expertise in smart contracts.

A C4 audit is an event in which community participants, referred to as Wardens, review, audit or analyze smart contract logic in exchange for a bounty provided by sponsoring projects

During the audit outlined in this document, C4 conducted an analysis of the Moxie smart contract system written in undefined. The audit took place from Jun 24 to Jun 28, 2024.

1.2 About Moxie

Moxie is an orchestration of several smart contracts that can be executed via Frames, Actions, and Apps/Clients. It represents foundational technology that anyone can use to add economic incentives to their Farcaster experience.

2. Summary

SEVERITY	COUNT
Critical	0
High	0
Medium	0
Low	3
Informational	10

3. Scope

The source code was delivered to Code4rena in a private Git repository.

4. Severity Criteria

C4 assesses the severity of disclosed vulnerabilities based on the primary risk categories: high, medium, low and informational.

High-level considerations for vulnerabilities span the following key areas when conducting assessments:

- Malicious Input Handling
- Escalation of privileges
- Arithmetic

- Gas use

For more information regarding the severity criteria referenced throughout the submission review process, please refer to the documentation provided on [the C4 website](#), specifically our section on [Severity Categorization](#).

5. Audit Timeline

DATE	EVENT
Jun 24, 2024	Kick-off call
Jun 24, 2024	Audit start
Jun 28, 2024	Audit end

6. Low Risk Findings (3)

6.1. Swaps lack deadline, which can result in paying an unintended fee

Severity: Low

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [MoxieBondingCurve.sol#L530-L535](#)
- [MoxieBondingCurve.sol#L569-L574](#)

Description: `MoxieBondingCurve` allows buying and selling shares, it also allows the `UPDATE_FEES_ROLE` to `updateFees`

Due to this, an order that may be intended at a time, may be unintended at another time

Adding a deadline, would enforce that an order is either filled in time or discarded by the sequencer

Recommendation:

Consider adding a deadline to `buyShares` and `sellShares`

Moxie: Acknowledged

C4 Pro League: For informational purposes

6.2. `Vault.deposit` allows to donate to reserves without paying a fee

Severity: Low

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [Vault.sol#L50-L68](#)

Description: `MoxieBondingCurve` setup an intended path to donate to reserves, which consists of:

- [Buying shares](#)
- [With onBehalf set to](#) `address(0)`

`Vault.deposit` has no access controls, it allows anyone to deposit more `token` to any `subjectToken`, this will cause the value of the token to rebase, without paying fees

During the review, we spent some time looking into ways to abuse the donation mechanism, we believe that a rebase can be used to steal some value, but that as long as rational values are set (See <https://github.com/code-423n4/2024-06-moxie-pro-league/issues/23>), then no particular risk is introduced beside the loss of fees to the protocol

(See <https://github.com/code-423n4/2024-06-moxie-pro-league/issues/13>)

Recommendation: Either document this additional token flow, or add access control to the Vault as a means to ensure that donations can only be performed via `buyShares`

Moxie: Fixed with PR-26.

C4 Pro League: Fix reviewed and confirmed

6.3. A collection of Footguns and Admin Risks

Severity: Low

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [moxie-protocol/contracts](#)

Description:

Updating formula could be sandwiched, and can open up the project to arbitrage

The formula can be changed via a setter, in the case in which said change is queued, MEV actors may identify an opportunity to purchase cheap tokens and re-sell them at a profit via the new formula.

It's also important to keep in mind that changing the formula may change the relation between bought SubjectTokens and donation to reserves

Recommendation:

We recommend thoroughly testing changes to the BancorFormula for unintended consequences

Initial Deposit could be rounded down to zero via donation

After initializing the SubjectBondingCurve, the SubjectFactory will purchase tokens on behalf of `_subject` as a means to distribute fees to it

The purchase will be done with a O out check, due to this, along with the fact that Vault allow for donations means that a donation may be performed as means to cause this purchase to result in 0 shares out

You can check and alter the fuzz test: `test_checkLimits` to explore various ways in which the shares out can round down to zero

Recommendation:

We recommend ensuring that prices are relatively sane, for example enforcing a min purchase of `1e6` tokens will avoid most rebases

Will round down to zero but is protected by min price

```
function test_roundDownProtocolBuy(uint256 buyAmount, uint256
sellAmount, uint256 amt) public {
    assertTrue(buyAmount * amt / sellAmount > 0);
} // b * a << s -> Rounds down to zero
```

Min price as well as min amount need to prevent rebase risk

See: `test_checkLimits`

```
function test_checkLimits(uint64 collateral) public {
    // vm.assume(newTs > 1e18 && newTs < 1e24);
```

```
// vm.assume(newDeposits > 1e18 && newDeposits < 1e24);
// vm.assume(collateral > 1e6);
totalSupply = 1;
deposits = 1e18;
assertTrue(viewBuy(collateral) == 0, "Not zero");
}
```

```
Failing tests:  
Encountered 1 failing test in  
test/recon/CrypticToFoundry.sol:CrypticToFoundry  
[FAIL. Reason: Not zero; counterexample:  
calldata=0x27351fe50000000000000000000000000000000000000000000f69b0f0e8300e  
6991a17b81b10000000000000000000000000000000000000000000ffffffffffffffffff  
fffff0000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000517e7dc  
args=[1221132272340521805907171705265 [1.221e30],  
340282366920938463463374607431768211455 [3.402e38], 85452764  
[8.545e7]]] test_checkLimits(uint128,uint128,uint128) (runs: 0, μ: 0,  
~: 0)  
  
[FAIL. Reason: Not zero; counterexample:  
calldata=0x27351fe5000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000055cd  
04692939881b000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000004ba4bd451ca8bc5  
df072000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000008c4b  
args=[6182602713159272475 [6.182e18], 357216390581869359263858  
[3.572e23], 35915 [3.591e4]]] test_checkLimits(uint128,uint128,uint128)  
(runs: 17, μ: 128462, ~: 158904)
```

[illegible]

Will round down to zero provided a small total supply and a high amount of deposits

```
function test_checkLimits(uint256 collateral) public {
    vm.assume(collateral < uint256(10_000_000_000) * 1e18);

    vm.assume(collateral < 1e22);
    // vm.assume(newTs > 1e18 && newTs < 1e24);
    // vm.assume(newDeposits > 1e18 && newDeposits < 1e24);
    // vm.assume(collateral > 1e6);
    totalSupply = 1;
    deposits = 1e22;
    assertTrue(viewBuy(collateral) == 0, "Not zero");
}
```

Auction may be spammed with small orders:

- Mitigated by min size

Make all logic initializable

Prevents any risk with UUPS being self-destructable

Suggested Upgrade Pattern

- ProxyAdmin -> Owned by Timelock -> Owned by Multisig
- Proxies

Suggested Post-deployment Checks

- Contracts are deployed, verified and initialized (both logic and proxy)
- Script to check Proxy admin is timelock

Easy Auction Must have 0 fees

- There must be no fees set in EasyAuction; SubjectFactory is incompatible with non-zero fees https://github.com/moxie-protocol/ido-contracts/blob/add_subject_factory_check/contracts/EasyAuction.sol#L175-L181

URI can never be changed

- MoxiePass URI setter isn't exposed; the minter must set it correctly upon minting (essentially URI is immutable for each NFT)

Role changing must be behind a timelock

- More crucial roles to pay attention to when granting: Vault.TRANSFER_ROLE, TokenManager.MINT_ROLE, SubjectFactory.ONBOARDING_ROLE, MoxieBondingCurve.UPDATE_FORMULA_ROLE

Recommendation:

Moxie: Fixed with PR 26.

C4 Pro League: Fix reviewed and acknowledged

7. Informational Findings (10)

7.1. Purchases are safe from overflow provided they are within 2^{96}

Severity: Informational

Status: Resolved

Context: [SubjectFactory.sol#L282-L289](#)

Description:

One of the main risks in initializing the bonding curve would be having to pay a price that is too burdensome

This can be avoided by ensuring that the Auction has rational minimum prices (See <https://github.com/code-423n4/2024-06-moxie-pro-league/issues/23>)

An additional risk would be overflow, which would cause a permanent denial of service. However, because EasyAuction only works with up to 2^{96} tokens and the moxie token has a total supply that is below that, the following test shows that the math is sound

Safe from overflow

```
function testOverflows(uint96 buyAmount, uint96 sellAmount, uint256
amount) public {
    amount = bound(amount, 0, type(uint128).max);
    sellAmount = uint96(bound(sellAmount, 1, type(uint96).max));
    uint256 res = buyAmount * amount / sellAmount;
}
```

Recommendation:

Considering that the Moxie token will have a total supply of $1e28 \rightarrow \log_2(1e28) == 93.0139866568$, no change is necessary

Moxie: Acknowledged

C4 Pro League: For informational purposes only, no change necessary.

7.2. Informational: Differential Invariant Testing of BancorFormula

Severity: Informational

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [BancorFormula.sol](#)

Description:

`BancorFormula` was fuzzed against the last known safe implementation (deployed by theGraph, compiled with Solidity 0.7.6)

The result is that after 100 Million Tests, all functions act in the same way as the reference

Run details: <https://getrecon.xyz/shares/d5d96f05-3317-4f7d-822e-54967b8bc387>

The full suite is available here (invite only): <https://github.com/GalloDaSballo/moxie-bancor-differential>

Recommendation:

None

Moxie: Acknowledged

C4 Pro League: For informational purposes only.

7.3. Informational: Quantitative Analysis of BancorFormula and Vault Donations

Severity: Informational

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [BancorFormula.sol](#)

Description:

The following is a quantitative analysis done on the behaviour of the formula, specifically looking at how donations may be used to attack it

While rebasing risk is present, no major risk was found from allowing donations of reserves

Sheet:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/u/6/d/1CFRKIOZOpzgOvOnXgr_YJOBCzZ4EX5yKFgJU2G6JdkQ/edit?usp=sharing

Script used to generate the sheet:

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: GPL-2.0
pragma solidity ^0.8.0;

import {Test} from "forge-std/Test.sol";
import {TargetFunctions} from "./TargetFunctions.sol";
import {FoundryAsserts} from "@chimera/FoundryAsserts.sol";
import "forge-std/console2.sol";

contract CryticToFoundry is Test, TargetFunctions, FoundryAsserts {
    function setUp() public {
        setup();
    }

    uint256 totalSupply = 1e18; // Subject
    uint256 deposits = 1e18; // Token
    uint256 donations = 0; // Token

    uint256 ONE = 1e18;
    uint32 reserveRatio = 660000; // .66

    function test_checkLimits(uint256 collateral) public {
        vm.assume(collateral < uint256(10_000_000_000) * 1e18);

        vm.assume(collateral < 1e22);
        // vm.assume(newTs > 1e18 && newTs < 1e24);
        // vm.assume(newDeposits > 1e18 && newDeposits < 1e24);
        // vm.assume(collateral > 1e6);
    }
}
```

```

        totalSupply = 1;
        deposits = 1e22;
        assertTrue(viewBuy(collateral) == 0, "Not zero");
    }

    function test_roundDownProtocolBuy(uint256 buyAmount, uint256
sellAmount, uint256 amt) public {
        assertTrue(buyAmount * amt / sellAmount > 0);
    } // b * a << s -> Rounds down to zero

    function viewBuy(uint256 amt) internal returns (uint256 shares) {
        return target.calculatePurchaseReturn(totalSupply, deposits,
reserveRatio, amt);
    }
    function viewSell(uint256 shares) internal returns (uint256 amt) {
        return target.calculateSaleReturn(totalSupply, deposits,
reserveRatio, shares);
    }

    function buy(uint256 amt) internal returns (uint256 shares) {
        uint256 newShares = viewBuy(amt);
        deposits += amt;
        totalSupply += newShares;

        return newShares;
    }
    function sell(uint256 shares) internal returns (uint256 amt) {
        uint256 amt = viewSell(shares);
        deposits -= amt;
        totalSupply -= shares;

        return amt;
    }

    function donate(uint256 amt) internal {
        donations += amt;
        deposits += amt;
    }

    function donateMultiple(uint256 multiple) internal {
        donations += deposits * multiple;
        deposits += deposits * multiple;
    }

    function test_buyPrices() public {
        _logHeaders();
        uint256 snapshot = vm.snapshot();
        // Start at 1e18;
        _logState(ONE);
    }

```

```

        uint256 increment = 1e18; // 1 tokens per time
        uint256 count = 100;
        for(uint256 i; i < count; i++) {
            // Compare donation vs deposit
            _compareDepositVSDonation(increment);

            // Do a deposit (move the story)
            buy(increment);
        }
        _logState(ONE);
    }

    function test_sellPrices() public {
        _logHeaders();

        uint256 count = 10;
        uint256 amt = 1e18 / count;

        _logState(amt);

        for(uint256 i; i < count - 1; i++) {
            sell(amt);
            _logState(amt);
        }
    }

    function test_buyAndThenSellPrice() public {
        _logHeaders();

        uint256 amt = 1e18 / 2;

        _logStateConsole(amt);
        uint256 amtToSell = viewBuy(amt);
        buy(amt);
        _logStateConsole(amt);
        sell(amtToSell);
        _logStateConsole(amt);
    }

    function _compareDepositVSDonation(uint256 amt) internal {
        uint256 snapshot = vm.snapshot();

        // Compare deposit vs Donation to price
        buy(amt);
        _logState(ONE);
        vm.revertTo(snapshot);

        donate(amt);
        _logState(ONE);
        vm.revertTo(snapshot);
    }

```

```

        donateMultiple(2);
        _logState(ONE);
        vm.revertTo(snapshot);
    }

    function _logHeaders() internal {
        console2.log("totalSupply", "", "deposits", "");
        console2.log("donations", "", "viewBuy(ONE)");
        console2.log("", "viewSell(ONE)");
    }
    function _logState(uint256 amt) internal {
        // Token Reserves
        // Total Supply
        // Price for next Buy
        // Price for next Sell
        console2.log("");
        // console2.log("totalSupply", totalSupply);
        // console2.log("deposits", deposits);
        // console2.log("donations", donations);
        // console2.log("Buying with 1e18 tokens yields",
viewBuy(ONE));
        // console2.log("Selling 1e18 shares yields", viewSell(ONE));
        console2.log(totalSupply, "", deposits, "");
        console2.log(donations, "", viewBuy(amt));
        console2.log("", viewSell(amt));
    }

    function _logStateConsole(uint256 amt) internal {
        // Token Reserves
        // Total Supply
        // Price for next Buy
        // Price for next Sell
        console2.log("");
        console2.log("totalSupply", totalSupply);
        console2.log("deposits", deposits);
        console2.log("donations", donations);
        console2.log("Buying with amt tokens yields", viewBuy(amt));
        console2.log("Selling amt shares yields", viewSell(amt));
    }
}

```

Recommendation:

None

Moxie: Acknowledged

C4 Pro League: For informational purposes only.

7.4. QA: Unnecessary `msg.sender == address(this)` check in `EasyAuction`

Severity: Informational

Status: Resolved

Context: [EasyAuction.sol#L470-L473](#)

Description:

The function will use a jump when called by `settleAuctionAtomically` so it shouldn't be necessary to have it

```
require(
    subjectFactory == msg.sender || msg.sender ==
    address(this),
    "Caller is not the subject factory address"
);
```

Recommendation:

Delete `msg.sender == address(this)`

Moxie: Acknowledged

C4 Pro League: For informational purposes only

7.5. `subjectToken` burn process can be simplified

Severity: Informational

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [MoxieBondingCurve.sol#L390-L391](#)

Description: MoxieBondingCurve transfers the subjectToken from the user to itself, then burns it. There is a simpler function burnFrom() that allows direct burning of the user's token, with allowance given.

Recommendation:

```
- _subjectToken.safeTransferFrom(msg.sender, address(this),  
  _sellAmount);  
- _subjectToken.burn(_sellAmount);  
+ _subjectToken.burnFrom(msg.sender, _sellAmount);
```

Moxie: Fixed with PR 26

C4 Pro League: Fix reviewed and confirmed.

7.6. Certain checks can be stricter

Severity: Informational

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [MoxieBondingCurve.sol#L200-L205](#)
- [SubjectFactory.sol#L90-L93](#)
- [SubjectFactory.sol#L481-L484](#)
- [SubjectFactory.sol#L98-L102](#)
- [SubjectFactory.sol#L498-L502](#)

Description: The fees are individually checked to not exceed `PCT_BASE`. The more effective check would be to ensure that the total fees charged do not exceed `PCT_BASE`.

For auction time updates, there should be a sanity check to ensure that `auctionOrderCancellationDuration` cannot exceed `auctionDuration`.

Recommendation:

```
if (
    !_feeIsValid(_feeInput.protocolBuyFeePct +
    _feeInput.subjectBuyFeePct) ||
    !_feeIsValid(_feeInput.protocolSellFeePct +
    _feeInput.subjectSellFeePct)
) revert MoxieBondingCurve_InvalidFeePercentage();

////////////////////////////////////

if (
    !_feeIsValid(_feeInput.protocolFeePct + _feeInput.subjectFeePct)
) revert SubjectFactory_InvalidFeePercentage();

////////////////////////////////////

if (_auctionOrderCancellationDuration == 0)
    revert SubjectFactory_InvalidAuctionOrderCancellationDuration();

// this ensures that _auctionDuration >=
// _auctionOrderCancellationDuration > 0
if (_auctionDuration < _auctionOrderCancellationDuration)
    revert SubjectFactory_InvalidAuctionDuration();
```

Moxie: Fixed with PR-26

C4 Pro League: Fix reviewed and confirmed.

7.7. Spelling errors

Severity: Informational

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [MoxieBondingCurve.sol#L94](#)
- [MoxieBondingCurve.sol#L285](#)
- [MoxieBondingCurve.sol#L478](#)
- [SubjectFactory.sol#L279-L311](#)
- [SubjectFactory.sol#L349](#)
- [TokenManager.sol#L28](#)
- [Vault.sol#L20](#)

Description: The referenced lines have spelling errors or TODOs that should be removed for clarity.

Recommendation:

```
- represeny
+ represent

- recieved
+ received

- reseve
+ reserve

- _clearningOrder
+ _clearingOrder

- transaaction
+ transaction

- Implemetation
+ Implementation

- Intialize
+ Initialize
```

Moxie: Fixed with PR-26

C4 Pro League: Fix reviewed and confirmed.

7.8. Redundancies

Severity: Informational

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [MoxieBondingCurve.sol#L38](#)
- [SubjectFactory.sol#L315-L317](#)
- [MoxieBondingCurve.sol#L521-L522](#)

Description: The defined custom error is unused.

The zero value check on `newSupplyToMint` is redundant as it will be checked in `tokenManager.mint()`.

Finally, the TODOs are no longer applicable as they've been resolved.

Recommendation:

```
- error MoxieBondingCurve_InvalidReserveFactory();

- if (newSupplyToMint == 0) {
-   revert SubjectFactory_BuyAmountTooLess();
- }

- //todo add moxie pass check
- //todo decide if onBehalfOf can be address(0)
```

Moxie: Fixed with PR-26

C4 Pro League: Fix reviewed and confirmed.

7.9. `AUCTION_ROLE` is inconsistently named

Severity: Informational

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [SubjectFactory.sol#L21](#)

Description: AUCTION_ROLE is a permissioned role that is given access to update the auctionDuration and auctionOrderCancellationDuration. Its naming is inconsistent with other roles that have the UPDATE prefix that update other parameters.

Recommendation: Rename AUCTION_ROLE to UPDATE_AUCTION_ROLE.

Moxie: Renamed AUCTION_ROLE -> UPDATE_AUCTION_ROLE. Fixed with PR 26.

C4 Pro League: Fix reviewed and confirmed

7.10. Deviation between expected and real bought / sold amounts

Severity: Informational

Status: Resolved

Context:

- [MoxieBondingCurve.sol#L705-L774](#)

Description: View methods `calculateTokensForBuy()` and `calculateTokensForSell()` were added to estimate the moxie token amounts required to purchase / received when selling subject tokens. Equivalency between the estimated amount and actual amount used / received for the specific amounts was checked.

A reasonable amount range for 18 decimal tokens is assumed: `[1e14, 100_000_000e18]`.
[Empirically via fuzzing](#), a maximum deviation of 0.1% was found.

It is important to note that this deviation becomes increasingly large for very small reserve ratios.

Recommendation: Small reserve ratios should be avoided, and users should be aware that there may be slight discrepancies between the estimated and actual amounts.

Moxie: Fixed with PR 43.

C4 Pro League: Fix reviewed and confirmed