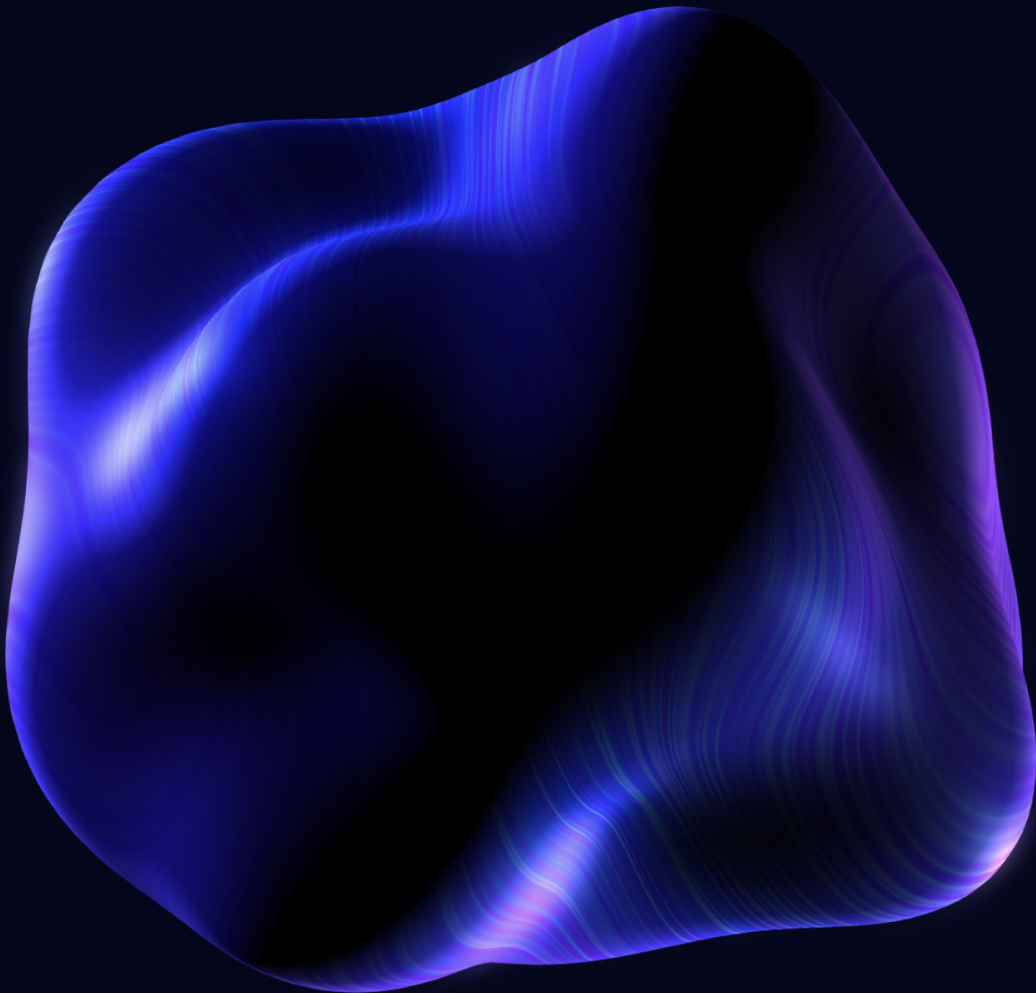




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MahaDAO Governance security audit

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Reference information

Name	MahaDAO Governance Contracts
Language	Solidity
Chain	Ethereum mainnet
Website	https://mahadao.com/
Documentation	https://docs.mahadao.com/
Reference repositories	https://github.com/MahaDAO/governance-contracts https://github.com/MahaDAO/token



Findings summary

Findings statistics

Severity	Number	Left acknowledged
High	0	0
Medium	3	1
Low	5	5
Informational	13	12
Gas	9	9
Total	29	26

Finding Severity breakdown

All vulnerabilities discovered during the source code audit are classified based on their potential severity and have the following classification:

Severity	Description
High	Bugs that can trigger a contract failure or theft of assets. Further recovery is possible only by manual modification of the contract state or replacement of the contract.
Medium	Bugs that can break the intended contract logic or expose it to DoS attacks, but do not cause direct loss of funds.
Low	Bugs that do not pose significant danger to the project or its users but are recommended to be fixed nonetheless.
Informational	All other non-essential recommendations.
Gas	Gas optimization recommendations.

Project description

MahaDAO

MahaDAO is a mission to create a decentralized and stable economy. That is driven by the people, for the people.

MahaDAO is a community-powered, decentralized organization on a mission to empower billions with a stable economy through the world's first valuecoin, ARTH.

To do this, MahaDAO uses two tokens to achieve this vision - the governance token MAHA, and the valuecoin ARTH.

ARTH valuecoin

ARTH is a stablecoin that is designed to appreciate overtime against the US dollar while at the same time it remains relatively stable.

ARTH is minted/burnt using decentralized smart contracts that use ETH as collateral to maintain its peg. The interest rate charged to mint ARTH using ETH is 0%, which makes it very cost-effective for borrowing/lending.

ARTH is fully collateralized with mechanisms that give it a backing of at least 110% in ETH.



Scope of work

Contract	Address
BaseV2Bribes	0x8f362e16a74c2eb564bfbf24dc73bd5ce37d9063
BaseV2Voter	0x227a445ff220cc9c3584fe77b7dfef6af0b63e8e
Proxy	0xeb99748e91afca94a6289db3b02e7ef4a8f0a22d
EmissionController	0xbd86a195c90cec4606dbc378ea0aa338f674a704
FeesSplitter	0x9032f1bd0cc645fde1b41941990da85f265a7623
GaugeLP	0xd2125a722d28c7685aed658a3ddc7b08275b8aeb
Proxy	0x9ee8110c0aacb7f9147252d7a2d95a5ff52f8496
GaugeUniswapV3	0xa7af7eaa2bf2fba3fdb90db1a820508ed3f037c
Proxy	0x98e1701f6558dd63481b57926c9f22c64d918c35
MAHATimelockController-14	0x43c958affe41d44f0a02ae177b591e93c86adbea
MAHATimelockController-30	0xb45021f5313b93927699aae6cbe989bccf6b5900
MahaToken	0x745407c86df8db893011912d3ab28e68b62e49b0
MAHAXGovernor	0xe7d23c2b3e9148c46cec796f018842ab72d5867f
MAHAXLocker	0xbdd8f4daf71c2cb16cce7e54bb81ef3cfcf5aacb
MAHAXStaker	0x608917f8392634428ec71c6766f3ec3f5cc8f421
MAHAXVetoGovernor	0x9a7e7b4c2abe3255dec67e3bf2e6b24b46223111
Registry	0x2684861ba9dada685a11c4e9e5aed8630f08afe0
RenderingContract	0x9d348281e16218cd8ede9cd8a1bca74e89b410e8



Findings

ID	Severity	Description	Status
01	Medium	Potential DoS in <code>getReward</code> of <code>GaugeLP.sol</code>	Ack.
02	Medium	<code>distributeETH</code> should be non-reentrant in <code>FeesSplitter.sol</code>	Fixed
03	Medium	Arbitrary <code>IERC20</code> in <code>distributeERC20</code> public of <code>FeesSplitter.sol</code>	Fixed
04	Low	Unnecessary events emitted by <code>getReward</code> in <code>BaseV2Bribes.sol</code>	Ack.
05	Low	Sanity check required for setters in <code>Registry.sol</code>	Ack.
06	Low	Sanity check required for <code>period</code> initialization in <code>Epoch.sol</code>	Ack.
07	Low	Sanity check required for <code>amountToSplit</code> in <code>FeesSplitter.sol</code>	Ack.
08	Low	Sanity check required for <code>_accounts.length</code> in <code>FeesSplitter.sol</code>	Ack.
09	Informational	Unused imports in <code>GaugeLP.sol</code>	Ack.
10	Informational	Unused imports in <code>BaseV2Voter.sol</code>	Ack.
11	Informational	Unused import <code>{INFTLocker}</code> in <code>BaseV2Bribes.sol</code>	Ack.
12	Informational	<code>onlyOwner</code> modifier for <code>checkPercentages</code> method is excessive in <code>FeesSplitter.sol</code>	Ack.
13	Informational	Misleading comment in <code>MAHAXVetoGovernor.sol</code>	Ack.
14	Informational	Misleading comment in <code>MAHAXGovernor.sol</code>	Ack.
15	Informational	Misleading comment in <code>GaugeLP.sol</code>	Ack.
16	Informational	Misleading comment in <code>EmissionController.sol</code>	Ack.
17	Informational	Misleading comment in <code>BaseV2Bribes.sol</code>	Ack.
18	Informational	Logic duplication in <code>getReward</code> and <code>getRewardForOwner</code> in <code>BaseV2Bribes.sol</code>	Ack.
19	Informational	Dead code: <code>SafeERC20</code> in <code>FeesSplitter.sol</code>	Fixed
20	Informational	Dead code: <code>modifier checkStartTime</code> in <code>Epoch.sol</code>	Ack.



ID	Severity	Description	Status
21	Informational	Add events to MAHAXLocker.sol	Ack.
22	Gas	_users.length should be cached in for-loops in MAHAXLocker.sol	Ack.
23	Gas	tokens.length should be cached in for-loops in BaseV2Bribes.sol	Ack.
24	Gas	tokenIds.length should be cached in for-loops in GaugeUniswapV3.sol	Ack.
25	Gas	targets.length should be cached in for-loops in MAHATimeLockController.sol	Ack.
26	Gas	registry should be immutable in MAHAXLocker.sol	Ack.
27	Gas	registry should be immutable in EmissionController.sol	Ack.
28	Gas	_percentAllocations.length should be cached in for-loops in FeesSplitter.sol	Ack.
29	Gas	_gauges.length should be cached in for-loops in BaseV2Voter.sol	Ack.
30	Gas	balanceOf[account] should be cached in for-loops in GaugeUniswapV3.sol	Ack.



Source code audit

ID-01. **Medium**: Potential DoS in `getReward` of `GaugeLP.sol`

Description

The `getReward` method of `GaugeLP.sol` performs calls the `distribute` method of the **BaseV2Voter** contract (see `@audit_1`), which in turn calls back the `notifyRewardAmount` method of the **GaugeLP** contract, if specific criteria are met (see `@audit_2`).

```
// @audit_1 GaugeLP.sol getReward call to BaseV2Voter
_unlocked = 1;
IGaugeVoterV2(registry.gaugeVoter()).distribute(address(this));
_unlocked = 2;

// @audit_2 BaseV2Voter.sol distribute call to GaugeLP
claimable[_gauge] = 0;
IGauge(_gauge).notifyRewardAmount(registry.maha(), _claimable);
emit DistributeReward(msg.sender, _gauge, _claimable);
```

The `getReward` method is protected against reentrancy with the `require(_unlocked == 0, "reentrancy");` requirement of the `lock` modifier. Thus, the **BaseV2Voter** contract's call to **GaugeLP** will revert due to `_unlocked` local variable not being set to 0 (see `@audit_1`).

Recommendation

Modify the `getReward` method of `GaugeLP.sol` in the following way

```
_unlocked = 0;
IGaugeVoterV2(registry.gaugeVoter()).distribute(address(this));
_unlocked = 1;
```

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.



ID-02. **Medium**: `distributeETH` should be non-reentrant in `FeesSplitter.sol`

Description

The `distributeETH` method of `FeesSplitter.sol` performs low-level calls to addresses in a for-loop to distribute ETH. This pattern is prone to reentrancy, e.g. a `CREATE2` address with predefined malicious logic could be provided to `accounts` state variable which later drains out the **FeesSplitter** contract.

Recommendation

Add `nonReentrant` modifier to the `distributeETH` method of `FeesSplitter.sol`.

Alleviation

The issue fix was introduced in commit `ce2036f053f68fd48ed043f572e6aeb952b3f33d`. The `distributeETH` function now has `nonReentrant` modifier.

ID-03. **Medium**: Arbitrary IERC20 in `distributeERC20` public of `FeesSplitter.sol`

Description

The `distributeERC20` method of `FeesSplitter.sol` has no access control and takes arbitrary ERC20 as its argument. This is a dangerous pattern that should be addressed.

Recommendation

Modify the `distributeERC20` method's logic in any or all of the following ways

- Add `nonReentrant` and/or `onlyOwner` modifier to the `distributeERC20` method.
- Use Openzeppelin's `SafeERC20` library for token transfers.
- Introduce ERC20 whitelist to the **`FeesSplitter`** contract's storage.

Alleviation

The issue fix was introduced in commit `f9bbbb0d1cd8d2a632405cb2f4adc3fc24417b1f`. The `distributeERC20` function now uses `token.safeTransfer`.

ID-04. Low: Unnecessary events emitted by `getReward` in `BaseV2Bribes.sol`

Description

The `getReward` and `getRewardForOwner` methods of `BaseV2Bribes.sol` transfers rewards per each `tokens[i]` if `_reward > 0`. However, the `ClaimRewards` event is emitted irrespective of reward for a particular token being `> 0`.

Recommendation

Construct a `_getReward()` internal function (see [Issue](#)) and modify its logic in the following way

```
if (_reward > 0) {  
    _safeTransfer(tokens[i], _owner, _reward);  
    emit ClaimRewards(_owner, tokens[i], _reward);  
}
```

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-05. Low: Sanity check required for setters in `Registry.sol`

Description

The setters for state variables of type `address` in `Registry.sol`, e.g. the `setMAHA` method, should exercise `isContract` sanity check.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.



ID-06. Low: Sanity check required for `period` initialization in `Epoch.sol`

Description

Each epoch timestamp in `Epoch.sol` is calculated as the product of epoch number, `_getNextEpoch()`, and the epoch period, `period`. Subsequently, other methods execute their corresponding logic via comparing this product with `block.timestamp`. Thus, the `period` cannot be less than the maximum time delta between consequent blocks. Adding a sanity check for `period` being larger than some reasonable time delta is required.

Recommendation

Add `require(_period >= 86400)` to the constructor and `setPeriod` method of `Epoch.sol`.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-07. Low: Sanity check required for `amountToSplit` in `FeesSplitter.sol`

Description

Sanity check for `amountToSplit > PERCENTAGE_SCALE/min(percentAllocations)` is required for the `distributeETH` and `distributeERC20` methods of `FeesSplitter.sol`.

Recommendation

Addition of `require(amountToSplit > PERCENT_SCALE)` to the `distributeETH` and `distributeERC20` methods of `FeesSplitter.sol` should suffice.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-08. Low: Sanity check required for `_accounts.length` in `FeesSplitter.sol`

Description

Sanity check is required for lengths of `accounts` and `percentAllocations` state variables in the constructor and `updateSplit` method of `FeesSplitter.sol`.

Recommendation

Add `require(_accounts.length == _percentAllocations.length)` to constructor and `updateSplit` method of `FeesSplitter.sol`.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-09. Informational: Unused imports in `GaugeLP.sol`

Description

`IBribe` and `INFTLocker` are unused imports in `GaugeLP.sol` and should be removed.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-10. Informational: Unused imports in BaseV2Voter.sol

Description

`IBribeFactory` and `IUniswapV2Pair` are unused imports in `BaseV2Voter.sol` and should be removed.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-11. Informational: Unused import {INFTLocker} in BaseV2Bribes.sol

Description

`INFTLocker` is an unused import in `BaseV2Bribes.sol` and should be removed.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-12. Informational: `onlyOwner` modifier for `checkPercentages` method is excessive in `FeesSplitter.sol`

Description

The `onlyOwner` modifier for function `checkPercentages` view is excessive as it does not deal with contract's storage on its own. The `onlyOwner` modifier should be removed and the `checkPercentages` method should be declared `pure`.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.



ID-13. Informational: Misleading comment in MAHAXVetoGovernor.sol

Description

MAHAXVetoGovernor.sol contains misleading comment on the `quorum` method (see `@audit`).

```
/**                                @audit
 * @dev Returns the quorum for a block number,
 * in terms of number of votes: `supply * numerator / denominator`.
 */
function quorum(uint256 blockNumber)
    public
    view
    override
    returns (uint256)
{
    return _quorum; // @audit
}
```

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.



ID-14. Informational: Misleading comment in MAHAXGovernor.sol

Description

MAHAXGovernor.sol contains misleading comment on the `quorum(uint256)` method (see `@audit`).

```
/**                                @audit
 * @dev Returns the quorum for a block number,
 * in terms of number of votes: `supply * numerator / denominator`.
 */
function quorum(uint256) public view override returns (uint256) {
    return _quorum; // @audit
}
```

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-15. Informational: Misleading comment in GaugeLP.sol

Description

GaugeLP.sol contains the same comment on `supplyCheckpoints` and `rewardPerTokenCheckpoints` state variables.

```
/// @notice A record of balance checkpoints for each token, by index
mapping(uint256 => SupplyCheckpoint) public supplyCheckpoints;

/// @notice A record of balance checkpoints for each token, by index
mapping(address => mapping(uint256 => RewardPerTokenCheckpoint))
    public rewardPerTokenCheckpoints;
```

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.



ID-16. Informational: Misleading comment in `EmissionController.sol`

Description

The `allocateEmission` method of `EmissionController.sol` contains misleading comment about token transfer approval, which does not take place in this method. This is likely related to the code base upgrade from `BaseV1Voter.sol` to `BaseV2Voter.sol`.

```
// approve token and notify the gauge voter
IERC20(registry.maha()).transfer(registry.gaugeVoter(), balanceToSend);
IGaugeVoter(registry.gaugeVoter()).notifyRewardAmount(balanceToSend);
```

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-17. Informational: Misleading comment in `BaseV2Bribes.sol`

Description

`GaugeLP.sol` contains the same comment on `supplyCheckpoints` and `rewardPerTokenCheckpoints` state variables.

```
/// @notice A record of balance checkpoints for each token, by index
mapping(uint256 => SupplyCheckpoint) public supplyCheckpoints;

/// @notice A record of balance checkpoints for each token, by index
mapping(address => mapping(uint256 => RewardPerTokenCheckpoint))
    public rewardPerTokenCheckpoints;
```

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.



ID-18. Informational: Logic duplication in `getReward` and `getRewardForOwner` in `BaseV2Bribes.sol`

Description

The `getReward` and `getRewardForOwner` methods of `BaseV2Bribes.sol` are unnecessary duplicates of one another. Consider defining a `_getReward` internal function and `getReward` and `getRewardForOwner` wrappers for it.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-19. Informational: Dead code: `SafeERC20` in `FeesSplitter.sol`

Description

OpenZeppelin's library `SafeERC20` is imported but never used in `FeesSplitter.sol`.

Alleviation

See issue [ID-02](#) fix.

ID-20. Informational: Dead code: `modifier checkStartTime` in `Epoch.sol`

Description

`checkStartTime` is an unused modifier in `Epoch.sol` and should be removed.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.



ID-21. Informational: Add events to MAHAXLocker.sol

Description

The `setRoyaltyInfo` and `setMinLockAmount` methods of `MAHAXLocker.sol` should emit corresponding events.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-22. Gas: `_users.length` should be cached in for-loops in `MAHAXLocker.sol`

Description

`_users.length` should be cached in the `uploadUsers` method of `MAHAXLocker.sol`.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-23. Gas: `tokens.length` should be cached in for-loops in `BaseV2Bribes.sol`

Description

`tokens.length` should be cached for gas savings in `getReward` and `getRewardForOwner` methods of `BaseV2Bribes.sol`.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.



ID-24. Gas: `tokenIds.length` should be cached in for-loops in `GaugeUniswapV3.sol`

Description

`tokenIds.length` should be cached for gas savings in the `isIdsWithinRange` and `claimFeesMultiple` methods of `GaugeUniswapV3.sol`.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-25. Gas: `targets.length` should be cached in for-loops in `MAHATimelockController.sol`

Description

`targets.length` should be cached for gas savings in the `scheduleBatch` and `executeBatch` methods of `MAHATimelockController.sol`.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-26. Gas: `registry` should be immutable in `MAHAXLocker.sol`

Description

`registry` state variable of `MAHAXLocker.sol` should be immutable for gas savings.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.



ID-27. Gas: `registry` should be immutable in `EmissionController.sol`

Description

`registry` state variable of `EmissionController.sol` should be immutable for gas savings.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-28. Gas: `_percentAllocations.length` should be cached in for-loops in `FeesSplitter.sol`

Description

`_percentAllocations.length` should be cached for gas savings in the `checkPercentages` method of `FeesSplitter.sol`.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

ID-29. Gas: `_gauges.length` should be cached in for-loops in `BaseV2Voter.sol`

Description

`_gauges.length` should be cached for gas savings in `distribute(address[] memory)` and `updateFor(address[] memory)` methods of `BaseV2Voter.sol`.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.



ID-30. Gas: `balanceOf[account]` should be cached in for-loops in `GaugeUniswapV3.sol`

Description

`balanceOf[account]` should be cached for gas savings in the `getReward(address account, address[] memory)` method of `GaugeUniswapV3.sol`.

Alleviation

This issue is acknowledged by the MahaDAO team.

Disclaimers

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The smart contracts given for audit have been analyzed in accordance with the best industry practices at the date of this report, in relation to cybersecurity vulnerabilities and issues in smart contract source code, the details of which are disclosed in this report (Source Code); the Source Code compilation, deployment, and functionality (performing the intended functions).

The audit makes no statements or warranties on the security of the code. It also cannot be considered as a sufficient assessment regarding the utility and safety of the code, bug-free status, or any other statements of the contract. While we have done our best in conducting the analysis and producing this report, it is important to note that you should not rely on this report only – we recommend proceeding with several independent audits and a public bug bounty program to ensure the security of smart contracts.

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