

Hardening Blockchain Security with Formal Methods

FOR

Optimism Proxy and Cozy Multi-Oracle Price Feed



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From June 26, 2023 to June 28, 2023, Client engaged Veridise to review the security of the Optimism Proxy and Cozy Multi-Oracle Price Feed, which consist of two different contracts: a multi-oracle price feed for Cozy protection tokens (PTokens) and an Optimism L1 proxy contract used to hold assets and execute transactions on Optimism on behalf of L1 addresses. Veridise conducted the assessment over 3 person-weeks, with 3 engineers reviewing code over 3 days on commit 6bf780f and 7218c79. The auditing strategy involved a tool-assisted analysis of the source code performed by Veridise engineers as well as extensive manual auditing.

Code assessment. The Client developers provided the source code of the Optimism Proxy and Cozy Multi-Oracle Price Feed contracts for review. The code includes a number of tests that were useful for auditors to better understand the code. The code was also well documented with READMEs as well as in-code comments.

Summary of issues detected. The audit uncovered 6 total issues. Issues found include unclear documentation of behavior (V-CLI-VUL-001), potentially restrictive size limits on returns from proxy transactions (V-CLI-VUL-002), and an uninitialized variable that could lead to minor disruptions in service for the Cozy multi-oracle price feed (V-CLI-VUL-003).

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Table 2.1: Application Summary.

Name	Version	Type	Platform
Optimism Proxy	6bf780f	Solidity	Optimism
Cozy Multi-Oracle Price Feed	7218c79	Solidity	Optimism

Table 2.2: Engagement Summary.

Dates	Method	Consultants Engaged	Level of Effort
June 26 - June 28, 2023	Manual & Tools	3	3 person-weeks

Table 2.3: Vulnerability Summary.

Name	Number	Resolved
Critical-Severity Issues	0	0
High-Severity Issues	0	0
Medium-Severity Issues	0	0
Low-Severity Issues	0	0
Warning-Severity Issues	1	1
Informational-Severity Issues	5	5
TOTAL	6	6

Table 2.4: Category Breakdown.

Name	Number
Usability Issue	5
Maintainability	1

3.1 Audit Goals

The engagement was scoped to provide a security assessment of Client's smart contracts.

In our audit, we sought to answer the following questions:

- ▶ Can a malicious user steal funds from the proxy contract?
- ▶ Can a malicious user execute transactions illegally through the proxy contract?
- ▶ Are all relevant access controls maintained for the proxy contract?
- ▶ Is the price calculated as expected for the Cozy multi-oracle price feed?
- ▶ Is the Cozy multi-oracle price feed vulnerable to flashloan attacks?
- ▶ Can the Cozy multi-oracle price feed be compromised with denial of service attacks?

3.2 Audit Methodology & Scope

Audit Methodology. To address the questions above, our audit involved a combination of human experts and automated program analysis & testing tools. In particular, we conducted our audit with the aid of the following technique:

▶ *Static Analysis*. We leverage static analysis to identify common vulnerabilities in smart contracts using our tool Vanguard.

Scope. The scope of this audit is limited to the <code>OptimismL1Proxy.sol</code> and <code>CozyMultiOraclePrice Feed.sol</code> contracts provided by the Client developers (as well as associated interfaces), which contain the smart contract implementation of the Optimism Proxy and Cozy Multi-Oracle Price Feed.

Methodology. Veridise auditors inspected provided tests, and read the Optimism Proxy and Cozy Multi-Oracle Price Feed documentation. They then began a manual audit of the code assisted by tooling.

3.3 Classification of Vulnerabilities

When Veridise auditors discover a possible security vulnerability, they must estimate its severity by weighing its potential impact against the likelihood that a problem will arise. Table 3.1 shows how our auditors weigh this information to estimate the severity of a given issue.

In this case, we judge the likelihood of a vulnerability as follows in Table 3.2:

In addition, we judge the impact of a vulnerability as follows in Table 3.3:

Table 3.1: Severity Breakdown.

	Somewhat Bad	Bad	Very Bad	Protocol Breaking
Not Likely	Info	Warning	Low	Medium
Likely	Warning	Low	Medium	High
Very Likely	Low	Medium	High	Critical

Table 3.2: Likelihood Breakdown

Not Likely	A small set of users must make a specific mistake
	Requires a complex series of steps by almost any user(s)
Likely	- OR -
•	Requires a small set of users to perform an action
Very Likely	Can be easily performed by almost anyone

Table 3.3: Impact Breakdown

Somewhat Bad	Inconveniences a small number of users and can be fixed by the user
	Affects a large number of people and can be fixed by the user
Bad	- OR -
	Affects a very small number of people and requires aid to fix
Affects a large number of people and requires aid to fix	
Very Bad	- OR -
•	Disrupts the intended behavior of the protocol for a small group of
users through no fault of their own	
Protocol Breaking	Disrupts the intended behavior of the protocol for a large group of
	users through no fault of their own

In this section, we describe the vulnerabilities found during our audit. For each issue found, we log the type of the issue, its severity, location in the code base, and its current status (i.e., acknowleged, fixed, etc.). Table 4.1 summarizes the issues discovered:

Table 4.1: Summary of Discovered Vulnerabilities.

ID	Description	Severity	Status
V-CLI-VUL-001	Unclear documentation of proxy functions	Warning	Fixed
V-CLI-VUL-002	Small MAX_COPY value for excessivelySafeCall	Info	Fixed
V-CLI-VUL-003	bidPriceWad not initialized by constructor	Info	Fixed
V-CLI-VUL-004	Immutable max staleness	Info	Acknowledged
V-CLI-VUL-005	Immutable oracles	Info	Acknowledged
V-CLI-VUL-006	Magic number used instead of constant	Info	Fixed

4.1 Detailed Description of Issues

4.1.1 V-CLI-VUL-001: Unclear documentation of proxy functions

Severity	Warning	Commit	6bf780f
Type	Usability Issue	Status	Fixed
File(s)	OptimismL1Proxy.sol		
Location(s)	executeFunction(), executeTransferEth()		

The documentation of executeFunction() and executeTransferEth() describes that the proxy must have ETH greater than or equal to the msgValue_ (or value_ for executeTransferEth()) argument of the functions, or the transaction will revert. However, excessivelySafeCall() will not cause the function to revert when the msgValue_ is greater than the amount of ETH in the contract. Instead it will return a success value of false and the function will emit a FunctionCallFailed event.

Impact Users may be expecting the entire transaction to revert if msgValue_ is too large, so the actual behavior may be unexpected.

Recommendation Update documentation for these functions to indicate that the function call/ETH transfer will fail and emit a FunctionCallFailed if msgValue_ is too large.

Developer Response Behavior is as intended; the developers have updated documentation.

4.1.2 V-CLI-VUL-002: Small MAX_COPY value for excessivelySafeCall

Severity	Info	Commit	6bf780f
Type	Usability Issue	Status	Fixed
File(s)	OptimismL1Proxy.sol		
Location(s)	executeFunction()		

MAX_COPY is set to 150 bytes for all calls to excessively SafeCall() . This may be too small for some legitimate calls to fully report their return value.

Impact As an example, a user might want to execute a function that returns a struct of 5 uint256 values. This struct will be 32*5 = 160 bytes long, so it will not be fully copied by the call to excessivelySafeCall(). The FunctionCallSuccess event for this transaction will not include all of the desired data and there is no way for the user to get the full return value by calling executeFunction().

Recommendation Increase MAX_COPY to a larger value so that a case like the one described above is unlikely to occur, or allow the user to optionally customize the value passed in as the _maxCopy argument of excessivelySafeCall().

Developer Response Developers added a guarded setter for MAX_COPY in case they want to change this value in the future.

4.1.3 V-CLI-VUL-003: bidPriceWad not initialized by constructor

Severity	Info	Commit	7218c79
Type	Usability Issue	Status	Fixed
File(s)	CozyMultiOraclePriceFeed.sol		
Location(s)	constructor(), price()		

bidPriceWad is not initialized by the constructor, but it is required to be non-zero when calling price(). The contract will not be able to provide prices until setBidPriceWad() is called.

Impact If the owner forgets to call setBidPriceWad() manually after deploying the contract, the price feed will not function.

Recommendation Initialize bidPriceWad in the constructor because it is a necessary step in the initialization of the contract. If this is not feasible, add clear warnings to the documentation that setBidPriceWad() must be called with a non-zero value in order for price() to be able to execute successfully.

Developer Response The developers will add this initialization to the constructor so the deployer can choose an initial value or intentionally initialize to 0.

4.1.4 V-CLI-VUL-004: Immutable max staleness

Severity	Info	Commit	7218c79
Type	Usability Issue	Status	Acknowledged
File(s)	CozyMultiOraclePriceFeed.sol		
Location(s)	N/A		

The values of staleAfterChainlinkA and staleAfterChainlinkB can only be set upon contract initialization.

Impact If either staleAfterChainlinkA or staleAfterChainlinkB is set too low, could lead to service interruptions if average block time spikes temporarily or generally increases. Alternatively, if either of these times is too long, can result in inaccurate pricing. If these values need to be changed, the multi-oracle price feed needs to be redeployed and all contracts that depend on the multi-oracle price feed must also be changed to refer to the new deployment.

Recommendation Add onlyOwner setter functions for both staleAfterChainlinkA and staleAfterChainlinkB.

Developer Response This is based on an existing implementation where these variables are immutable. The developers will keep the implementation the same to optimize gas usage because these values are very unlikely to change. They also want to keep the implementation as close to the canon price feed implementation as possible.

4.1.5 V-CLI-VUL-005: Immutable oracles

Info	Commit	7218c79
Usability Issue	Status	Acknowledged
CozyMultiOraclePriceFeed.sol		
N/A		
	Usability Issue	Usability Issue Status CozyMultiOracleP

chainlinkA and chainlinkB are declared as immutable oracles.

Impact If one of these oracles stops working (i.e., always return stale data), this contract will always result in a reversion due to stale oracle data.

This also makes updating the oracles (e.g., when the oracles themselves are upgraded or a change in oracles is desired) more challenging, as the contract must be redeployed and all contracts that depend on this oracle must be changed as well.

Recommendation Add only0wner setter functions for both of these oracles.

Developer Response This is based on an existing implementation where these variables are immutable. The developers will keep the implementation the same to optimize gas usage because these values are very unlikely to change. They also want to keep the implementation as close to the canon price feed implementation as possible.

4.1.6 V-CLI-VUL-006: Magic number used instead of constant

Severity	Info	Commit	7218c79
Type	Maintainability	Status	Fixed
File(s)	CozyMultiOraclePriceFeed.sol		
Location(s)	price()		

The CozyMultiOraclePriceFeed defines a WAD_DECIMALS constant, but in the WAD conversion in the price() function, 1e18 is used directly instead of a computation based on the WAD_DECIMALS.

Impact If the code is ever refactored or repurposed for a different unit other than a WAD, it could be possible to miss this computation and cause the newly modified code to have a computational error.

Recommendation Replace 1e18 with an expression based on WAD_DECIMALS, i.e. 10**WAD_DECIMALS

Developer Response The developers have updated this to use WAD_DECIMALS.