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# SMART CONTRACT SECURITY AUDIT of GPU.NET CONTRACTS



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## AUDIT INTRODUCTION

<b>Auditing Firm</b>	SecureDApp Auditors
<b>Audit Architecture</b>	SecureDApp Auditing Standard
<b>Language</b>	Solidity
<b>Client Firm</b>	GPU.net
<b>Website</b>	<a href="https://gpu.net/">https://gpu.net/</a>
<b>Report Date</b>	May 21st, 2024

## About GPU.net

Democratize access to high-performance computing resources, making them readily available for diverse applications ranging from data analysis and scientific research to AI development and beyond.



## AUDIT DOCUMENT

Name	Smart Contract Code Review and Security Analysis Report for GPU.net
Approved By	Himanshu Gautam   CTO at SecureDApp
Type	GPU.net
Platform	EVM
Language	Solidity
Changelog	21.5.2024 – Final Review

## AUDIT SCOPE

The scope of this report is to audit the smart contract source code of GPU.net.

Our client provided us with one smart contract.

- gpu.sol

The contract was written in Solidity and based on the OpenZeppelin library.

The contract allows providers to register themselves and rent out their machines onchain. The users borrow machines for a particular time period by paying in G\_Points (native chain currency)..

After initial research, we agreed to perform the following tests and analyses as part of our well-rounded audit:

- Smart contract behavioral consistency analysis
- Test coverage analysis
- Penetration testing: checking against our database of vulnerabilities and simulating manual attacks against the contracts
- Static analysis
- Manual code review and evaluation of code quality
- Analysis of GAS usage
- Contract analysis with regards to the host network



## Final Review Scope

<b>Repository</b>	<a href="https://github.com/brahmGAN/gpu-contracts/tree/main/Contracts/GAN-Contracts">https://github.com/brahmGAN/gpu-contracts/tree/main/Contracts/GAN-Contracts</a>
<b>Commit</b>	dc55fd9e287fc825adc9bfafc91d3d7d96f2668e
<b>Functional Requirements</b>	Partial documentation provided. README.md
<b>Technical Requirements</b>	Partial documentation provided. README.md
<b>Contracts Addresses</b>	Not Deployed yet



## Severity Definitions

Risk Level	Description
<b>Critical</b>	Critical vulnerabilities are usually straightforward to exploit and can lead to asset loss or data manipulations.
<b>High</b>	High-level vulnerabilities are difficult to exploit; however, they also have a significant impact on smart contract execution, e.g., public access to crucial functions.
<b>Medium</b>	Medium-level vulnerabilities are important to fix; however, they cannot lead to asset loss or data manipulations.
<b>Low</b>	Low-level vulnerabilities are mostly related to outdated, unused, etc. code snippets that cannot have a significant impact on execution.
<b>Informational</b>	Issue listed to improve understanding, readability and quality of code

All statuses which are identified in the audit report are categorized here for the reader to review:

Status Type	Definition
<b>Open</b>	Risks are open.
<b>Acknowledged</b>	Risks are acknowledged, but not fixed.
<b>Resolved</b>	Risks are acknowledged and fixed.



## AUDIT SUMMARY

The SecureDApp team has performed a line-by-line manual analysis and automated review of smart contracts. Smart contracts were analyzed mainly for common contract vulnerabilities, exploits, and manipulation hacks. According to the audit:

Status	Critical	High	Medium	Low	Informative- Gas Optimisation
Open	0	0	0	0	0
Acknowledged	3	1	0	1	3
Resolved	0	1	0	1	0



## AUDIT METHODOLOGY

SecureDApp scans contracts and reviews codes for common vulnerabilities, exploits, hacks and back- doors.

Mentioned are the steps used by SecureDApp to audit smart contracts:

- a. Smart contract source code reviewal:
  - i. Review of the specifications, sources, and instructions provided to SecureDApp to make sure we understand the audit scope, intended business behavior, overall architecture, and project's goal.
  - ii. Manual review of code, which is the process of reading source code line-by-line to identify potential vulnerabilities.
- b. Test coverage analysis: (Unit testing)
  - i. Test coverage analysis is the process of determining whether the test cases are covering the code and how much code is exercised when we run those test cases.
- c. Static analysis:
  - i. Run a suite of vulnerability detectors to find security concerns in smart contracts with different impact levels.
- d. Symbolically executed tests: (SMTChecker testing) (Taint analysis)
  - i. Symbolic execution is analyzing a program to determine what inputs cause each part of a program to execute.
  - ii. Check for security vulnerabilities using static and dynamic analysis
- e. Property based analysis (Fuzz tests)(Invariant testing)
  - i. Run the execution flow multiple times by generating random sequences of calls to the contract.
  - ii. Asserts that all the invariants hold true for all scenarios.
- f. Best practices review, which is a review of the smart contracts to improve efficiency, effectiveness, clarify, maintainability, security, and control based on the established industry and academic practices, recommendations, and research.
- g. Specific, itemized, actionable recommendations to help you take steps to secure your smart contracts.

Automated 5S frameworks used to assess the smart contract vulnerabilities

- Consensys Tools
- SWC Registry
- Solidity Coverage
- Open Zeppelin Code Analyzer
- Solidity Shield Scan





We have audited the smart contracts for commonly known and more specific vulnerabilities. Below is the list of smart contract tests, vulnerabilities, exploits, and hacks:

ID	Description	Status
EEA 3.3	<a href="#">Oracle Manipulation</a>	N/A
EEA 3.3	<a href="#">Bad Randomness - VRF</a>	N/A
S60	<a href="#">Assembly Usage</a>	Passed
S59	<a href="#">Dangerous usage of block.timestamp</a>	Passed
EEA 3.7	<a href="#">Front-Running Attacks</a>	N/A
EEA 3.7	<a href="#">Back-Running Attacks</a>	N/A
EEA 3.7	<a href="#">Sandwich Attacks</a>	N/A
DASP	<a href="#">Gas Griefing Attacks</a>	Passed
DASP	<a href="#">Force Feeding</a>	Passed
SCSVS V2	<a href="#">Access Control</a>	-
DASP	<a href="#">Short Address Attack</a>	Passed
DASP	<a href="#">Checks Effects Interactions</a>	Passed
EEA 4.1	<a href="#">No Self-destruct</a>	Passed
SCSVS V14	<a href="#">Decentralized Finance Checks</a>	Passed



Slither Tests	<a href="#">Checks for ERC's conformance</a>	Passed
Coverage	<a href="#">Unit tests with 100% coverage</a>	-
Gas Reporter	<a href="#">Gas usage &amp; limitations</a>	-
Echidna Tests	<a href="#">Malicious input handling</a>	Passed
SWC-101	<a href="#">Integer Overflow and Underflow</a>	Passed
SWC-102	<a href="#">Outdated Compiler Version</a>	Passed
SWC-103	<a href="#">Floating Pragma</a>	-
SWC-104	<a href="#">Unchecked Call Return Value</a>	Passed
SWC-105	<a href="#">Unprotected Ether Withdrawal</a>	Passed
SWC-106	<a href="#">Unprotected SELF-DESTRUCT Instruction</a>	Passed
SWC-107	<a href="#">Re-entrancy</a>	Passed
SWC-108	<a href="#">State Variable Default Visibility</a>	Passed
SWC-109	<a href="#">Uninitialized Storage Pointer</a>	Passed
SWC-110	<a href="#">Assert Violation</a>	Passed
SWC-111	<a href="#">Use of Deprecated Solidity Functions</a>	Passed
SWC-112	<a href="#">Delegate Call to Untrusted Callee</a>	Passed



SWC-113	<a href="#">DoS with Failed Call</a>	Passed
SWC-114	<a href="#">Transaction Order Dependence</a>	Passed
SWC-115	<a href="#">Authorization through tx.origin</a>	Passed
SWC-116	<a href="#">Block values as a proxy for time</a>	Passed
SWC-117	<a href="#">Signature Malleability</a>	Passed
SWC-134	<a href="#">Message call with the hardcoded gas amount</a>	Passed
SWC-135	<a href="#">Code With No Effects (Irrelevant/Dead Code)</a>	Informational
SWC-136/SCSVS V3	<a href="#">Unencrypted Private Data On-Chain</a>	Passed



## SYSTEM OVERVIEW

The GPU Network is a decentralized graphics processing unit on demand infrastructure that powers the next generation of Generative AI, Web3 Metaverses, High-end graphics rendering and cryptocurrency mining.

GPU.Net aims to build a decentralized platform that connects GPU providers to GPU consumers. GPU providers can attach their machine to the GPU.Net platform and earn GPU tokens for their idle time or total compute contribution. GPU consumers can access the vast infrastructure of GPU.Net by paying in tokens while ensuring scalability, affordability and security of their data and models.

### Privileged roles

1. Owner\_Role:
  - a. Manage ownership of contract functionalities and upgrade features.

### Risk

1. The impact of the owner role being compromised would have a huge impact on the protocol.
2. Centralization risk is the most common cause of cryptography asset loss
3. Compromising the Owner Role may lead to all system asset loss.



## FINDINGS

### Centralization Risk

Centralization risk is the most common cause of dapp's hacks. When a smart contract has an active contract ownership, the risk related to centralization is elevated. There are some well-intended reasons to be an active contract owner, such as:

- Contract owners can be granted the power to `pause()` or `lock()` the contract in case of an external attack.
- Contract owners can use functions like, `include()`, and `exclude()` to add or remove wallets from fees, swap checks, and transaction limits. This is useful to run a presale, and to list on an exchange.

Authorizing a full centralized power to a single body can be dangerous. Unfortunately, centralization related risks are higher than common smart contract vulnerabilities. Centralization of ownership creates a risk of rug pull scams, where owners cash out tokens in such quantities that they become valueless. Most important question to ask here is, how to mitigate centralization risk? Here's SecureDApp's recommendation to lower the risks related to centralization hacks:

- Smart contract owner's private key must be carefully secured to avoid any potential hack.
- Smart contract ownership should be shared by multi-signature (multi-sig) wallets.
- Smart contract ownership can be locked in a contract, user voting, or community DAO can be introduced to unlock the ownership.

### GPU.NET's Centralization Status

- GPU smart contract has Contract Ownership Role assigned to a single wallet.





## STATIC ANALYSIS REPORT

Symbol	Meaning
:-----: -----	
	Function can modify state
	Function is payable
Contract	Type   Bases
:-----: :-----: :-----: :-----: :-----:	
L	**Function Name**   **Visibility**   **Mutability**   **Modifiers**
**IGPU**	Interface
**IERC721**	Interface
L	balanceOf   External     NO 
**GPU**	Implementation   IGPU, OwnableUpgradeable, UUPSUpgradeable
L	_authorizeUpgrade   Internal       onlyOwner
L	initialize   Public       initializer
L	withdraw   Public       onlyOwner
L	addGpuType   Public       onlyOwner




|  $\angle$  | updateGpuPrice | Public ! |  | onlyOwner |


|  $\angle$  | addQueen | Public ! |  | haveNft isStakedAddress |


|  $\angle$  | addProvider | External ! |  | haveNft isStakedAddress |


|  $\angle$  | updateProviderStatus | External ! |  | NO ! |


|  $\angle$  | providerDrillRequest | External ! |  | NO ! |


|  $\angle$  | addConsumer | External ! |  | NO ! |


|  $\angle$  | createJob | Public ! |  | NO ! |

|  $\angle$  | drillTest | Internal  | | |



|  $\angle$  | calculateCost | Internal  | | |

|  $\angle$  | updateAssignedJob | Public ! |  | NO ! |


|  $\angle$  | reassignQueen | External ! |  | NO ! |


|  $\angle$  | updateAssignQueen | Internal  | | |


|  $\angle$  | healthCheckBundle | External ! |  | NO ! |


|  $\angle$  | healthCheckReport | Internal  |  | |

|  $\angle$  | healthCheckTest | Internal  | | |

|  $\angle$  | setTickSeconds | Public ! |  | onlyOwner |

|  $\angle$  | setMachineId | Public ! |  | onlyOwner |

|  $\angle$  | setNftAddress | Public ! |  | onlyOwner |

|  $\angle$  | setStakeAmount | Public ! |  | onlyOwner |



```
|  | setMinDrillTestValue | Public ! |  | onlyOwner |
|  | setMinProviderAvailability | Public ! |  | onlyOwner |
|  | setMaxProviderUnavailability | Public ! |  | onlyOwner |
|  | setLatencyPeriod | Public ! |  | onlyOwner |
|  | setUserID | Public ! |  | onlyOwner |
|  | checkQueenLastCheck | Public ! | |NO ! |
|  | getProviderStatus | Public ! | |NO ! |
|  | getConsumerJobs | Public ! | |NO ! |
|  | getProviders | Public ! | |NO ! |
|  | getGpuTypes | Public ! | |NO ! |
|  | getGpuPrice | Public ! | |NO ! |
|  | getAssignedProviders | Public ! | |NO ! |
|  | getDrillProvider | Public ! | |NO ! |
|||||
```





## MANUAL REVIEW

Identifier	Definition	Severity
CEN-01	Centralization privileges of Marketplace Owner	Critical

Centralized privileges are listed below:

- Owner Role:
  - Manage Withdraw Funds, Add/Update GPU Types/Price
  - Set NFT Address, Staking Amount and other system parameters: tick seconds, min drill test value etc.
  - Contract Upgrades

## RECOMMENDATION

Usage of OpenZeppelin Access Control framework instead of Ownership to allow Multiowner access based on different roles and avoid single point of failure. Use MultiSig wallets services for important authentications like contract upgrade access.

Access control privileges must be authenticated and their private keys should be secured carefully. Usage of Multi-Sig wallet for authorisation is recommended. Please refer to CENTRALIZED PRIVILEGES for a detailed understanding.

**Status: Acknowledged**



Identifier	Definition	Severity
CEN-02	Use of proxy and upgradeable contracts	Critical

Contract upgradeability allows privileged roles to change current contract implementation.

## RECOMMENDATION

Test and validate the current contract thoroughly before deployment. Future contract upgradeability negatively elevates centralization risk.

**Status: Acknowledged**



Identifier	Definition	Severity
CEN-03	Missing Unit and End to End test cases for Smart Contract	Critical

Contracts lack unit and end-to-end test cases, leaving critical functionalities unvalidated and risking incomplete use case coverage. This gap increases the likelihood of undiscovered bugs and compromises the contracts' integrity.

## RECOMMENDATION

Implementing comprehensive test suites and adhering to testing best practices to mitigate these risks effectively. Try to add unit test cases covering all edge patterns and achieve solidity coverage of 98%.

**Status: Acknowledged**



Identifier	Definition	Severity
HGH-01	Incorrect Interface Import	High

Change Interface import from NEWIGPU.sol to IGPU.sol.

## RECOMMENDATION

Fixed the interface import

**Status: Resolved**



Identifier	Definition	Severity
HGH-02	Fluidity in system roles	High

The system allows for the interchangeability between the roles of a Queen and a Provider. This fluidity in roles introduces a potential vulnerability wherein a Queen, entrusted with strategic decision-making, can also become a Provider, and vice versa. Such role interchangeability might lead to a compromise in the system's integrity, as it blurs the delineation of duties and authority, potentially resulting in conflicts of interest or mismanagement of resources.

## RECOMMENDATION

Implement stakeholder KYC protocols to prevent authority misuse and promptly forfeit staked amounts upon misconduct detection.

**Status: Acknowledged**



Identifier	Definition	Severity
LOW-01	Missing events	Low

- Contract is missing events for important updates like:
  - setStakeAmount
  - setNftAddress

## RECOMMENDATION

There should be an event emitted to record the important changes made to contract parameters.

**Status: Resolved**



Identifier	Definition	Severity
LOW-02	Version Pragma Recommendation	Low

- Avoid floating pragma statements.
- Solidity versions  $\geq 0.8.20$  (gpu.sol) may be too recent to be fully trusted.

## RECOMMENDATION

Consider deploying with fixed version `^0.8.18` to ensure compatibility and reliability

**Status: Acknowledged**



Identifier	Definition	Severity
INF-01	Contract Size Limitation Issue	Informational

The contract exceeds the permissible limit of 24576 bytes on the Ethereum Chain, potentially rendering it undeployable on the mainnet.

## RECOMMENDATION

Shorten Require error messages to reduce contract size.

Utilize the `updateAssignQueen()` function at lines 161, 205, and 241 to avoid duplication and streamline code efficiency.

Redundant Code: In line 239, the required statement checking `queensList.length > 0` is redundant, as line 242 will revert if the condition is true.

**Status: Acknowledged**





Identifier	Definition	Severity
INF-02	Unclear Payment Currency Info	Informational

The platform currency, referred to as GPoints, is actually implementing logic for the native currency of the deployed chain in the contract at lines 114, 143, and 235, causing confusion regarding the currency denomination.

## RECOMMENDATION

Clarify the currency denomination within the contract documentation to avoid confusion among users and ensure clear understanding of the platform's currency system.

**Status:** Acknowledged



Identifier	Definition	Severity
INF-03	Gas Optimisations	Informational

## RECOMMENDATIONS

- Combine Storage for Structs:
  - Optimize storage by combining structs to fit within 32 byte slots.
- Enhance efficiency by initializing the NFT contract instance only once, reducing redundant contract instantiation.
- Improve storage efficiency by creating a struct gpuInfo to avoid duplicate storage of gpuType string in gpuTypes and gpuPrices.
- Streamline logic by replacing isStaked with a check on stakes[address] > 0, reducing gas consumption.
- Enhance efficiency by incorporating queenStakings within the Queen struct to avoid separate mappings.
- Increase gas efficiency by switching from public to external visibility where internal calls are not required.
- Onchain Storage Optimization: Store GPU details on IPFS and save the IPFS link to the contract. This reduces on-chain storage costs and enhances contract performance.

Status: Acknowledged



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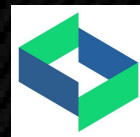
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