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# **SHERLOCK SECURITY REVIEW FOR**



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## Introduction

Illuminate is a fixed-rate lending protocol designed to aggregate fixed-yield Principal Tokens and provide Illuminate's users and integrators a guarantee of the best rate in DeFi.

## Scope

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- `Lender.sol`
- `MarketPlace.sol`
- `Redeemer.sol`
- `Converter.sol`
- `Creator.sol`
- `ERC5095.sol`
- `Maturities.sol`

For more information about the remediations and modifications since the previous audit, see this [document](#).

## Findings

Each issue has an assigned severity:

- Medium issues are security vulnerabilities that may not be directly exploitable or may require certain conditions in order to be exploited. All major issues should be addressed.
- High issues are directly exploitable security vulnerabilities that need to be fixed.

## Issues found

Medium	High
2	2



## Issues not fixed or acknowledged

Medium	High
0	0

## Security experts who found valid issues

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# Issue H-1: Illuminate's PT doesn't respect users' slippage specifications for underlyings

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate-judging/issues/16>

## Found by

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## Summary

Illuminate's PT doesn't respect users' slippage specifications for underlyings, and allows more slippage than is requested

## Vulnerability Detail

ERC5095.withdraw()/redeem()'s code adds extra underlying slippage on top of what the user requests

## Impact

At the end of withdrawal/redemption, the user will end up receiving less underlying than they asked for, due to slippage. If the user had used a external PT to mint the Illuminate PT, they will have lost part of their principal.

## Code Snippet

```
// File: src/tokens/ERC5095.sol : ERC5095.withdraw() #1

271             uint128 returned =
↳ IMarketPlace(marketplace).sellPrincipalToken(
272                 underlying,
273                 maturity,
274                 shares,
275 @>             Cast.u128(a - (a / 100))
276:             );
```

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/tokens/ERC5095.sol#L271-L276>

```
// File: src/tokens/ERC5095.sol : ERC5095.withdraw() #2

302             uint128 returned =
↳ IMarketPlace(marketplace).sellPrincipalToken(
```



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304             maturity,  
305             Cast.u128(shares),  
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<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/tokens/ERC5095.sol#L302-L307>

redeem() has the same issue

## Tool used

Manual Review

## Recommendation

This is the same issue that I described in the last contest. In the original issue, the finding was disputed because there wasn't a clean solution for slippage protection on the number of shares burned in order to satisfy the input underlying amount. During the discussion of the issue, it became clear that the ERC5095 contract was supposed to be cross-compatible with the ERC4626 standard, and that standard has this to say:

If implementors intend to support EOA account access directly, they should consider adding an additional function call for deposit/mint/withdraw/redeem with the means to accommodate slippage loss or unexpected deposit/withdrawal limits, since they have no other means to revert the transaction if the exact output amount is not achieved. <https://eips.ethereum.org/EIPS/eip-4626>

In other words, it's not up to the ERC4626/ERC5095 contract implementation itself to determine whether too many shares needed to be burned in order to satisfy the request for exactly the provided number of underlying - it's up to the caller to have extra code to determine whether the number is satisfactory itself. Note though that both standards are very clear that the *exact* number of underlying *must* be provided back, and the implementation as it stands does *not* do this.

## Discussion

**sourabhmarathe**

We believe this issue and its duplicates are related to the same underlying problem of complying with ERC4626.

We will address this issue and its duplicates altogether in one PR.

**thereksfour**

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## Issue H-2: The Notional version of `lend()` can be used to lock iPTs

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate-judging/issues/15>

### Found by

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### Summary

The Notional version of `lend()` can be used to lock extra iPTs in the `Lender` contract

### Vulnerability Detail

The Notional version of `lend()` has no checks to ensure that the principal value, `p`, passed in is for Notional, and therefore the `Illuminate` principal value can be passed in and used, which will allow callers to buy iPTs to the `Lender` contract (rather than Notional PTs), and then mint a second one to themselves when the iPT is minted at the end of the function.

### Impact

When the underlying is sold in the marketplace, the resulting iPT is given to the `Lender` contract, and there is no supported way to have those iPTs redeemed and their underlying released, which means when users try to redeem their own iPTs, there will be less underlying available than there should be, and they will have lost principal.

### Code Snippet

In the code block below, there are no checks that `p` is for notional, and the market-provided token for that `p` is used directly for depositing, and at the end of the function, more iPTs are minted:

```
// File: src/Lender.sol : Lender.lend()    #1

875     function lend(
876         uint8 p,
877         address u,
878         uint256 m,
879         uint256 a,
880         uint256 r
881     ) external nonReentrant unpause(u, m, p) matured(m) returns (uint256) {
882         // Instantiate Notional principal token
```





```

883 @>         address token = IMarketPlace(marketPlace).markets(u, m, p);
884
885         // Transfer funds from user to Illuminate
886         Safe.transferFrom(IERC20(u), msg.sender, address(this), a);
887         ...
894         // Swap on the Notional Token wrapper
895 @>         uint256 received = INotional(token).deposit(a - fee, address(this));
896
897         // Convert decimals from principal token to underlying
898         received = convertDecimals(u, token, received);
899         ...
908         // Mint Illuminate zero coupons
909 @>         IERC5095(principalToken(u, m)).authMint(msg.sender, received);

```

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/Lender.sol#L875-L909>

The deposit() function sells the underlying for IPTs, using the marketplace:

```

// File: src/tokens/ERC5095.sol : ERC5095.deposit() #2

191         // consider the hardcoded slippage limit, 4626 compliance requires no
↳ minimum param.
192         uint128 returned = IMarketPlace(marketplace).sellUnderlying(
193             underlying,
194             maturity,
195             Cast.u128(a),
196             shares
197:         );

```

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/tokens/ERC5095.sol#L191-L197>

NOTE: INotional is an ERC4626 token, and the deposit() function comes from that interface. While the Illuminate PT's deposit() function has a different signature (the argument order is flipped), it's clear that this is a mistake that will be corrected as a part of this audit, since comments within the deposit() function itself refer to the need to be compliant with the ERC4626 standard, and discussions in the prior audit extensively mention that compliance was in fact necessary, and the deposit() function is not a part of the EIP-5095 standard.

## Tool used

Manual Review



## Recommendation

Revert if p is not MarketPlace.Principals.Notional

## Discussion

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One of the bases for this vulnerability is that ERC5095 and INotional use the same deposit function signature And as mentioned in the NOTE, they were different at the time. <https://github.com/notional-finance/wrapped-fcash/blob/master/contracts/wfCashERC4626.sol#L178>

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<https://github.com/Swivel-Finance/illuminate/blob/main/src/tokens/ERC5095.sol#L197>

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<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2022-10-illuminate-judging/issues/106> and a fix has been added <https://github.com/Swivel-Finance/illuminate/pull/28>

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## Issue M-1: ERC5095 has not approved MarketPlace to spend tokens in ERC5095

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate-judging/issues/23>

### Found by

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### Summary

ERC5095 requires approving MarketPlace to spend the tokens in ERC5095 before calling MarketPlace.sellUnderlying/sellPrincipalToken

### Vulnerability Detail

MarketPlace.sellUnderlying/sellPrincipalToken will call transferFrom to send tokens from msg.sender to pool, which requires msg.sender to approve MarketPlace. However, before calling MarketPlace.sellUnderlying/sellPrincipalToken in ERC5095, there is no approval for MarketPlace to spend the tokens in ERC5095, which causes functions such as ERC5095.deposit/mint/withdraw/redeem functions fail, i.e. users cannot sell tokens through ERC5095.

```
function sellUnderlying(
    address u,
    uint256 m,
    uint128 a,
    uint128 s
) external returns (uint128) {
    // Get the pool for the market
    IPool pool = IPool(pools[u][m]);

    // Get the number of PTs received for selling `a` underlying tokens
    uint128 expected = pool.sellBasePreview(a);

    // Verify slippage does not exceed the one set by the user
    if (expected < s) {
        revert Exception(16, expected, 0, address(0), address(0));
    }

    // Transfer the underlying tokens to the pool
    Safe.transferFrom(IERC20(pool.base()), msg.sender, address(pool), a);
    ...
function sellPrincipalToken(
    address u,
    uint256 m,
```



```

        uint128 a,
        uint128 s
    ) external returns (uint128) {
        // Get the pool for the market
        IPool pool = IPool(pools[u][m]);

        // Preview amount of underlying received by selling `a` PTs
        uint256 expected = pool.sellFYTokenPreview(a);

        // Verify that the amount needed does not exceed the slippage parameter
        if (expected < s) {
            revert Exception(16, expected, s, address(0), address(0));
        }

        // Transfer the principal tokens to the pool
        Safe.transferFrom(
            IERC20(address(pool.fyToken())),
            msg.sender,
            address(pool),
            a
        );
    }

```

In the test file, `vm.startPrank(address(token))` is used and approves the `MarketPlace`, which cannot be done in the mainnet

```

vm.startPrank(address(token));
IERC20(Contracts.USDC).approve(address(marketplace), type(uint256).max);
IERC20(Contracts.YIELD_TOKEN).approve(
    address(marketplace),
    type(uint256).max
);

```

## Impact

It makes functions such as `ERC5095.deposit/mint/withdraw/redeem` functions fail, i.e. users cannot sell tokens through `ERC5095`.

## Code Snippet

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/MarketPlace.sol#L396-L414> <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/MarketPlace.sol#L319-L342> <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/tokens/ERC5095.sol#L188-L197> <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/tokens/ERC5095.sol#L230-L244> <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/tokens/ERC5095.sol#L267-L276> <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/tokens/ERC5095.sol#L267-L276>



C5095.sol#L372-L385 <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/tokens/ERC5095.sol#L267-L307> <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/tokens/ERC5095.sol#L372-L409> <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/test/fork/ERC5095.t.sol#L72-L77>

## Tool used

Manual Review

## Recommendation

Approve MarketPlace to spend tokens in ERC5095 in ERC5095.setPool.

```
function setPool(address p)
    external
    authorized(marketplace)
    returns (bool)
{
    pool = p.fyToken();
+   Safe.approve(IERC20(underlying), marketplace, type(uint256).max);
+   Safe.approve(IERC20(p.), marketplace, type(uint256).max);

    return true;
}

pool = address(0);
}
```



## Issue M-2: Protocol fees not taken on premium

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate-judging/issues/22>

### Found by

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### Summary

Protocol fees not taken on premium

### Vulnerability Detail

The Swivel version of `lend()` allows the user to use any extra underlying premium from their Swivel orders, to buy more IPTs via a swap or minting directly, but no fee is taken from this premium.

### Impact

Rather than using the Illuminate version of `lend()`, which charges a fee, users could use the Swivel version, and ensure the fee portion is small, and the premium non-fee portion is large, so that Illuminate misses out on fees.

### Code Snippet

The fee is calculated based on the amount listed in the orders:

```
// File: src/Lender.sol : Lender.lend()    #1

488         // Lent represents the total amount of underlying to be lent
489 @>      uint256 lent = swivelAmount(a);
490
491         // Get the underlying balance prior to calling initiate
492      uint256 starting = IERC20(u).balanceOf(address(this));
493
494         // Transfer underlying token from user to Illuminate
495      Safe.transferFrom(IERC20(u), msg.sender, address(this), lent);
496
497         // Calculate fee for the total amount to be lent
498:@>      uint256 fee = lent / feenominator;
```

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/Lender.sol#L488-L498>





But the premium is the balance change after the orders have executed (can be thought of as positive slippage):

```
// File: src/Lender.sol : Lender.lend()    #2
525          // Calculate the premium
526 @>      uint256 premium = (IERC20(u).balanceOf(address(this)) -
    ↳ starting) -
527:          fee;
```

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-illuminate/blob/main/src/Lender.sol#L525-L527>

And no fee is charged on this premium, either when swapping in the yield pool, or when minting IPTs directly.

## Tool used

Manual Review

## Recommendation

Calculate the fee after the order, on the full balance change

This is similar to a finding from the previous contest, but the mitigation was to remove the amount fee from the premium, but didn't address the fee for the premium itself