

# **SHERLOCK SECURITY REVIEW FOR**



**Prepared for:** Fair Funding

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# Introduction

Fair Funding allows you to invest in early stage projects while limiting your downside risk. You will get the benefits of early investors yet be sure to get your invest back thanks to Alchemix.

## **Scope**

- fair-funding/contracts/AuctionHouse.vy
- fair-funding/contracts/Vault.vy
- fair-funding/contracts/solidity/MintableERC721.sol



# **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
3	2

# Issues not fixed or acknowledged

Medium	High
0	0

# Security experts who found valid issues

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# Issue H-1: amount\_claimable\_per\_share accounting is broken and will result in vault insolvency

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding-judging/issues/44

## **Found by**

0x52, jkoppel, oxcm

## **Summary**

Claim accounting is incorrect if there is a deposit when amount\_claimable\_per\_share !=0, because position.amount\_claimed isn't initialized when the deposit is created.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding/blob/main/fair-funding/contracts/Vault.vy#L430-L440

When calculating the amount of WETH to claim for a user, the contract simply multiplies the share count by the current amount\_claimable\_per\_share and then subtracts the amount that has already been paid out to that token holder. This is problematic for deposits that happen when amount\_claimable\_per\_share != 0 because they will be eligible to claim WETH immediately as if they had been part of the vault since amount\_claimable\_per\_share != 0.

Example; User A deposits 1 ETH and receives 1 share. Over time the loan pays itself back and claim is able to withdraw 0.1 WETH. This causes amount\_claimable\_per\_share = 0.1. Now User B deposits 1 ETH and receives 1 share. They can immediately call claim which yields them 0.1 WETH (1 \* 0.1 - 0). This causes the contract to over-commit the amount of WETH to payout since it now owes a total of 0.2 WETH (0.1 ETH to each depositor) but only has 0.1 WETH.

# **Impact**

Contract will become insolvent

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding/blob/main/fair-funding/contracts/Vault.vy#L200-L232

#### Tool used

Manual Review



#### Recommendation

position.amountClaimed needs to be initialized when a deposit is made:

```
# deposit WETH to Alchemix
shares_issued: uint256 = self._deposit_to_alchemist(_amount)
position.shares_owned += shares_issued
+ position.amount_claimed += shares_issued * amount_claimable_per_share
self.total_shares += shares_issued
self.positions[_token_id] = position
```

#### **Discussion**

#### HickupHH3

Dup of #114

#### 0x00052

Escalate for 1 USDC

Not a dupe of #114. That focuses on depositing twice to the same token (which can't happen outside of admin abuse). The issue is that it generally applies to all deposits. Please re-read my example as to why this is an issue and how it leads to gross over-commitment of rewards.

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- 2) This is a serious issue that will lead to rewards being over-committed and the vault WILL go insolvent as a result. The extra fees being paid will be taken from other users and will GUARANTEED cause loss of funds to other users.

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You've created a valid escalation for 1 USDC!

To remove the escalation from consideration: Delete your comment. To change the amount you've staked on this escalation: Edit your comment (do not create a new comment).

You may delete or edit your escalation comment anytime before the 48-hour escalation window closes. After that, the escalation becomes final.

#### **Unstoppable-DeFi**

Agree, duplicate of #113 and will fix.

#### hrishibhat

**Escalation accepted** 

Considering this & its duplicate #113 as valid issues

#### sherlock-admin

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This issue's escalations have been accepted!

Contestants' payouts and scores will be updated according to the changes made on this issue.

#### **Unstoppable-DeFi**



# Issue H-2: Incorrect shares accounting cause liquidations to fail in some cases

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding-judging/issues/38

# Found by

0x52, Bauer, hickuphh3, jkoppel

#### **Summary**

Accounting mismatch when marking claimable yield against the vault's shares may cause failing liquidations.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

withdraw\_underlying\_to\_claim() distributes \_amount\_shares worth of underlying tokens (WETH) to token holders. Note that this burns the shares held by the vault, but for accounting purposes, the total\_shares variable isn't updated.

However, if a token holder chooses to liquidate his shares, his shares\_owned are used entirely in both alchemist.liquidate() and withdrawUnderlying(). Because the contract no longer has fewer shares as a result of the yield distribution, the liquidation will fail.

#### POC

Refer to the testVaultLiquidationAfterRepayment() test case below. Note that this requires a fix to be applied for #2 first.

```
// SPDX-License-Identifier: MIT
pragma solidity 0.8.18;

import "forge-std/Test.sol";
import "../.lib/utils/VyperDeployer.sol";

import "../IVault.sol";
import "../IAlchemistV2.sol";
import "../MintableERC721.sol";
import "openzeppelin/token/ERC20/IERC20.sol";

contract VaultTest is Test {
    ///@notice create a new instance of VyperDeployer
    VyperDeployer vyperDeployer = new VyperDeployer();

FairFundingToken nft;
```



```
IVault vault;
   address vaultAdd;
   IAlchemistV2 alchemist =

→ IAlchemistV2(0x062Bf725dC4cDF947aa79Ca2aaCCD4F385b13b5c);

   IWhitelist whitelist =
→ IWhitelist(0xA3dfCcbad1333DC69997Da28C961FF8B2879e653);
   address yieldToken = 0xa258C4606Ca8206D8aA700cE2143D7db854D168c;
   IERC20 \text{ weth} = IERC20(0xC02aaA39b223FE8D0A0e5C4F27eAD9083C756Cc2)};
   // pranking from big WETH holder
   address admin = 0x2fEb1512183545f48f6b9C5b4EbfCaF49CfCa6F3;
   address user1 = address(0x123);
   address user2 = address(0x456);
   function setUp() public {
       vm.startPrank(admin);
       nft = new FairFundingToken();
       /// @notice: I modified vault to take in admin as a parameter
       /// because of pranking issues => setting permissions
       vault = IVault(
           vyperDeployer.deployContract("Vault", abi.encode(address(nft),
→ admin))
       );
       // to avoid having to repeatedly cast to address
       vaultAdd = address(vault);
       vault.set_alchemist(address(alchemist));
       // whitelist vault and users in Alchemist system, otherwise will run
\hookrightarrow into permission issues
       vm.stopPrank();
       vm.startPrank(0x9e2b6378ee8ad2A4A95Fe481d63CAba8FB0EBBF9);
       whitelist.add(vaultAdd);
       whitelist.add(admin);
       whitelist.add(user1);
       whitelist.add(user2);
       vm.stopPrank();
       vm.startPrank(admin);
       // add depositors
       vault.add_depositor(admin);
       vault.add_depositor(user1);
       vault.add_depositor(user2);
       // check yield token is whitelisted
       assert(alchemist.isSupportedYieldToken(yieldToken));
       // mint NFTs to various parties
       nft.mint(admin, 1);
```

```
nft.mint(user1, 2);
       nft.mint(user2, 3);
       // give max WETH approval to vault & alchemist
       weth.approve(vaultAdd, type(uint256).max);
       weth.approve(address(alchemist), type(uint256).max);
       // send some WETH to user1 & user2
       weth.transfer(user1, 10e18);
       weth.transfer(user2, 10e18);
       // users give WETH approval to vault and alchemist
       vm.stopPrank();
       vm.startPrank(user1);
       weth.approve(vaultAdd, type(uint256).max);
       weth.approve(address(alchemist), type(uint256).max);
       vm.stopPrank();
       vm.startPrank(user2);
       weth.approve(vaultAdd, type(uint256).max);
       weth.approve(address(alchemist), type(uint256).max);
       vm.stopPrank();
       // by default, msg.sender will be admin
       vm.startPrank(admin);
   function testVaultLiquidationAfterRepayment() public {
       uint256 depositAmt = 1e18;
       // admin does a deposit
       vault.register_deposit(1, depositAmt);
       vm.stopPrank();
       // user1 does a deposit too
       vm.prank(user1);
       vault.register_deposit(2, depositAmt);
       // simulate yield: someone does partial manual repayment
       vm.prank(user2);
       alchemist.repay(address(weth), 0.1e18, vaultAdd);
       // mark it as claimable (burn a little bit more shares because of
→ rounding)
       vault.withdraw_underlying_to_claim(
           alchemist.convertUnderlyingTokensToShares(yieldToken, 0.01e18) + 100,
           0.01e18
       );
```

```
vm.stopPrank();

// user1 performs liquidation, it's fine
vm.prank(user1);
vault.liquidate(2, 0);

// assert that admin has more shares than what the vault holds
(uint256 shares, ) = alchemist.positions(vaultAdd, yieldToken);
IVault.Position memory adminPosition = vault.positions(1);
assertGt(adminPosition.sharesOwned, shares);

vm.prank(admin);
// now admin is unable to liquidate because of contract doesn't hold

sufficient shares
// expect Arithmetic over/underflow error
vm.expectRevert(stdError.arithmeticError);
vault.liquidate(1, 0);
}
```

#### **Impact**

Failing liquidations as the contract attempts to burn more shares than it holds.

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding/blob/main/fair-funding/contracts/Vault.vy#L341-L349 https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding/blob/main/fair-funding/contracts/Vault.vy#L393-L404

#### Tool used

Foundry, Mainnet Forking, Manual Review

#### Recommendation

For the shares\_to\_liquidate and amount\_to\_withdraw variables, check against the vault's current shares and take the minimum of the 2.

The better fix would be to switch from marking yield claims with withdrawing WETH collateral to minting debt (alETH) tokens.

#### **Discussion**

**Unstoppable-DeFi** 



This is correct.

We need to use total\_shares and position.shares\_owned to calculate the percentage of a positions contributions and then multiply it with the remaining\_shares to receive the correct amount of shares during liquidation.

## **Unstoppable-DeFi**



# Issue M-1: Migrator contract lacks sufficient permissions over vault positions

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding-judging/issues/91

# Found by

0x52, hickuphh3, Ruhum, minhtrng, jkoppel, ABA

#### **Summary**

The migrator contract lacks sufficient permissions over vault shares to successfully perform migration.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

Since vault potentially holds an Alchemix position over a long time during which changes at Alchemix could happen, the migration\_admin has complete control over the vault and its position after giving depositors a 30 day window to liquidate (or transfer with a flashloan) their position if they're not comfortable with the migration.

We see that all that migrate() does is to trigger the migrate() function on the migration contract. However, no permissions over the vault's shares were given to the migration contract to enable it to say, liquidate to underlying or yield tokens. It also goes against what was intended, that is, "complete control over the vault and its position".

# **Impact**

Funds / positions cannot be successfully migrated due to lacking permissions.

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding/blob/main/fair-funding/contracts/Vault.vy#L545-L556

#### Tool used

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

In addition to invoking the migrate() function, consider calling approveWithdraw() on the migrator contract for all of the vault's shares.



# https://alchemix-finance.gitbook.io/v2/docs/alchemistv2#approvewithdraw

Also consider using raw\_call() for this function call because the current alchemist possibly reverts, bricking the migration process entirely.

#### **Discussion**

#### **Unstoppable-DeFi**

This is correct, a delegateCall should have been used.

Will fix.

#### **Unstoppable-DeFi**



# Issue M-2: Broken Operator Mechanism: Just 1 malicious / compromised operator can permanently break functionality

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding-judging/issues/46

#### Found by

weeeh\_, hickuphh3, ABA, 0xSmartContract, rvierdiiev, csanuragjain

#### **Summary**

Operator access control isn't sufficiently resilient against a malicious or compromised actor.

# **Vulnerability Detail**

I understand that we can assume all privileged roles to be trusted, but this is about the access control structure for the vault operators. The key thing here is that you can have multiple operators who can add or remove each other. As the saying goes, "you are as strong as your weakest link", so all it required is for 1 malicious or compromised operator to permanently break protocol functionality, with no possible remediation as he's able to kick out all other honest operators, including himself

The vault operator can do the following:

- 1) Set the alchemist contract to any address (except null) of his choosing. He can therefore permanently brick the claiming and liquidation process, resulting in the permanent locking of token holders' funds in Alchemix.
- 2) Steal last auction funds. WETH approval is given to the alchemist contract every time register\_deposit is called, and with the fact that anyone can settle the contract, the malicious operator is able to do the following atomically:
  - set the alchemist contract to a malicious implementation
    - contract returns a no-op + arbitrary shares\_issued value when the depositUnderlying() function is called
  - settle the last auction (assuming it hasn't been)
  - pull auction funds from approval given
- 3) Do (1) and remove himself as an operator (ie. there are no longer any operators), permanently preventing any possible remediation.



# **Impact**

DoS / holding the users' funds hostage.

# **Code Snippet**

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding/blob/main/fair-funding/contracts/Vault.vy#L292-L300 https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding/blob/main/fair-funding/contracts/Vault.vy#L589-L614

#### **Tool used**

Manual Review

#### Recommendation

Add an additional access control layer on top of operators: an owner that will be held by a multisig / DAO that's able to add / remove operators.

#### **Discussion**

#### **Unstoppable-DeFi**



# **Issue M-3: Starting timestamp can be bypassed by calling** settle

Source: https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding-judging/issues/39

# Found by

ck, Bahurum, carrot, Oxhacksmithh, Oxlmanini, HonorLt, 7siech, ABA, rvierdiiev, XKET, seyni

#### **Summary**

The starting timestamp set or still unset by the owner through the start\_auction function can be bypassed by calling settle, which sends the first token to the fallback and then starts the auction for subsequent tokenIds.

#### **Vulnerability Detail**

The function start\_auction is meant to be used to start the auction process, after which the bids start getting accepted. However, this entire system can be bypassed by calling the settle function. This leads to the first tokenId being minted to the fallback address, and the next tokenId auction being started immediately.

This can be exploited in two scenarios,

- 1. The function start\_auction hasn't been called yet
- 2. The function start\_auction has been called, and the timestamp passed is a timestamp in the future

In both these cases, the auctions can be made to start immediately. Thus the two issues are clubbed together.

The function settle only checks for the timestamp using the statement <a href="https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding/blob/main/fair-funding/contracts/AuctionHouse.vy#L185">https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding/blob/main/fair-funding/contracts/AuctionHouse.vy#L247-L252</a> This check passes if the current timestamp is after the end of the epoch, but also if the current timestamp is before the start of the auction, which is the main issue here.

Inside the settle function, it sets the start and end timestamps properly, which allows bids to be made for subsequent tokenIds.

https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-02-fair-funding/blob/main/fair-funding/contracts/AuctionHouse.vy#L200-L206

So even if the starting timestamp is unset or set in the future, the checks in settle pass, and the function then proceeds to write the start and end timestamps to process bids correctly.



## **Impact**

Bids can be started immediately. This goes against the design of the protocol.

## **Code Snippet**

The issue can be recreated with the following POC

```
def test_ATTACK_settle_before_start(owner, house, nft):
   token_id = house.current_epoch_token_id()
   assert house.highest_bidder() == pytest.ZERO_ADDRESS
   house.settle()
   house.bid(house.current_epoch_token_id(), house.RESERVE_PRICE())
   assert house.current_epoch_token_id() == token_id + 1
   assert nft.ownerOf(token_id) == owner
```

This shows a case where start\_action is never called, yet the bids start. The same can be done if start\_auction is called with a timestamp in the future

#### Tool used

**Boa Manual Review** 

#### Recommendation

Change the check in settle to check for the end timestamp ONLY

#### **Discussion**

#### hrishibhat

While the issue is valid, there are no funds at risk with starting the auction early. Considering this issue a valid medium.

#### **Unstoppable-DeFi**

