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SHERLOCK SECURITY REVIEW FOR



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Taurus

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Introduction

Productive assets is what this cycle is about. Borrow, leverage and earn real yield, the choice is yours. You're going to like what we've built on Arbitrum.

Scope

Repository: protokol/taurus-contracts

Branch: main

Commit: 3759a646f5738890198eb7ae3964e4ecbe952d17

For the detailed scope, see the [contest details](#).

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
6	2

Issues not fixed or acknowledged

Medium	High
0	0

Security experts who found valid issues

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Issue H-1: Protocol assumes 18 decimals collateral

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus-judging/issues/35>

Found by

0x52, Bahurum, Bauer, GimelSec, RaymondFam, bytes032, cducrest-brainbot, ck, duc, imare, jonatascm, mstpr-brainbot, peanuts, roguereddwarf, yixxas

Summary

Multiple calculation are done with the amount of collateral token that assume the collateral token has 18 decimals. Currently the only handled collateral (staked GLP) uses 18 decimals. However, if other tokens are added in the future, the protocol may be broken.

Vulnerability Detail

TauMath.sol calculates the collateral ratio ($\text{coll} * \text{price} / \text{debt}$) as such:

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Libs/TauMath.sol#L18>

It accounts for the price decimals, and the debt decimals (TAU is 18 decimals) by multiplying by Constants.precision ($1e18$) and dividing by $10^{**\text{priceDecimals}}$. The result is a number with decimal precision corresponding to the decimals of `_coll`.

This `collRatio` is later used and compared to values such as `MIN_COLL_RATIO`, `MAX_LIQ_COLL_RATIO`, `LIQUIDATION_SURCHARGE`, or `MAX_LIQ_DISCOUNT` which are all expressed in $1e18$.

Secondly, in `TauDripFeed` the extra reward is calculated as:

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/Vault/TauDripFeed.sol#L91>

This once again assumes 18 decimals for the collateral. This error is cancelled out when the vault calculates the user reward with: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/Vault/BaseVault.sol#L90>

However, if the number of decimals for the collateral is higher than 18 decimals, the rounding of `_extraRewardPerCollateral` may bring the rewards for users to 0.

For example: `_tokensToDisburse = 100 e18`, `_currentCollateral = 1_000_000 e33`, then `_extraRewardPerCollateral = 0` and no reward will be distributed.



Impact

Collateral ratio cannot be properly computed (or used) if the collateral token does not use 18 decimals. If it uses more decimals, users will appear way more collateralised than they are. If it uses less decimals, users will appear way less collateralised. The result is that users will be able to withdraw way more TAU than normally able or they will be in a liquidatable position before they should.

It may be impossible to distribute rewards if collateral token uses more than 18 decimals.

Code Snippet

Constants.precision is 1e18:

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Libs/Constants.sol#L24>

MIN_COL_RATIO is expressed in 1e18:

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/BaseVault.sol#L57>

TauDripFeed uses 1e18 once again in calculation with collateral amount:

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/TauDripFeed.sol#L91>

The calculation for maxRepay is also impacted:

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/BaseVault.sol#L251-L253>

The calculation for expected liquidation collateral is also impacted:

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/BaseVault.sol#L367>

Tool used

Manual Review

Recommendation

Account for the collateral decimals in the calculation instead of using Constants.PRECISION.

Discussion

IAm0x52



Escalate for 10 USDC

This should be medium rather than high, since affected tokens would simply be incompatible because MIN_COL_RATIO is expressed to 18 dp.

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iHarishKumar

<https://github.com/protokol/taurus-contracts/pull/124>

spyrosonic10

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From the constest scope ERC20: any non-rebasing. In particular, fee + staked GLP will be the first collateral token (managed through GMX's ERC20-compliant wrapper) and Arbitrum Weth will be the main yield token.

Present state of contract is designed and to use with 18 decimal gmx token. Future release should be out of scope so it is invalid issue. In order to launch other vault types protocol will be the first to know about decimal things. Given the current state of protocol and codebase this issue doesn't pose any risk to user funds. Not qualified for high.

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This issue's escalations have been rejected!

Watsons who escalated this issue will have their escalation amount deducted from their next payout.

MLON33

<https://github.com/protokol/taurus-contracts/pull/124>

Fixed here

IAm0x52

Fix allows tokens without 18 dp to be used but liquidations can now cause dust to accumulate in contract

jacksanford1

Protocol team (Meriadoc) comment from Discord:

Yeah I will also look into it and double check it doesn't lead to any problems further down the line, but as is that seems fine.

The dust amount will be considered "acknowledged" by the protocol team.



Issue H-2: Missing input validation for `_rewardProportion` parameter allows keeper to escalate his privileges and pay back all loans

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus-judging/issues/11>

Found by

cducrest-brainbot, roguereddwarf

Summary

According to the Contest page and discussion with the sponsor, the role of a keeper is to perform liquidations and to swap yield token for TAU using the `SwapHandler.swapForTau` function: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/SwapHandler.sol#L45-L52>

They are also able to choose how much yield token to swap and what the proportion of the resulting TAU is that is distributed to users vs. not distributed in order to erase bad debt.

So a keeper is not trusted to perform any actions that go beyond swapping yield / performing liquidations.

However there is a missing input validation for the `_rewardProportion` parameter in the `SwapHandler.swapForTau` function. This allows a keeper to "erase" all debt of users. So users can withdraw their collateral without paying any of the debt.

Vulnerability Detail

By looking at the code we can see that `_rewardProportion` is used to determine the amount of TAU that `_withholdTau` is called with: [Link](#)

```
_withholdTau((tauReturned * _rewardProportion) / Constants.PERCENT_PRECISION);
```

Any value of `_rewardProportion` greater than `1e18` means that more TAU will be distributed to users than has been burnt (aka erasing debt).

It is easy to see how the keeper can choose the number so big that `_withholdTau` is called with a value close to `type(uint256).max` which will certainly be enough to erase all debt.

Impact

A keeper can escalate his privileges and erase all debt. This means that TAU will not be backed by any collateral anymore and will be worthless.



Code Snippet

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/SwapHandler.sol#L45-L101>

Tool used

Manual Review

Recommendation

I discussed this issue with the sponsor and it is intended that the keeper role can freely choose the value of the `_rewardProportion` parameter within the `[0,1e18]` range, i.e. 0%-100%.

Therefore the fix is to simply check that `_rewardProportion` is not bigger than `1e18`:

```
diff --git a/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/SwapHandler.sol
    ↪ b/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/SwapHandler.sol
index c04e3a4..ab5064b 100644
--- a/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/SwapHandler.sol
+++ b/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/SwapHandler.sol
@@ -59,6 +59,10 @@ abstract contract SwapHandler is FeeMapping, TauDripFeed {
     revert zeroAmount();
   }

+   if (_rewardProportion > Constants.PERCENT_PRECISION) [
+     revert invalidRewardProportion();
+   ]
+
   // Get and validate swap adapter address
   address swapAdapterAddress =
    ↪ SwapAdapterRegistry(controller).swapAdapters(_swapAdapterHash);
   if (swapAdapterAddress == address(0)) {
```

Discussion

Sierraescape

<https://github.com/protokol/aurus-contracts/pull/121>

MLON33

<https://github.com/protokol/aurus-contracts/pull/121>

Fixed here

IAm0x52



Fix looks good. swapForTau will now revert if keeper specifies a `_rewardProportion` that is too large



Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus-judging/issues/160>

Found by

GimelSec, shaka

Summary

`swap()` will be reverted if `path` has more tokens, the keepers will not be able to successfully call `swapForTau()`.

Vulnerability Detail

In test/SwapAdapters/00_UniswapSwapAdapter.ts:

```
// Get generic swap parameters
const basicSwapParams = buildUniswapSwapAdapterData(
  ["0xyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyy",
    ↪ "0xzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzz"],
  [3000],
  testDepositAmount,
  expectedReturnAmount,
  0,
).swapData;
```

We will get:

[illegible]

Then the `swapOutputToken` is `_swapData[length - 41:length - 21]`.

But if we have more tokens in path:

```
const basicSwapParams = buildUniswapSwapAdapterData(
    ["0xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx",
      ↪ "0yyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyyy",
      ↪ "0zzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzzz"],
    [3000, 3000],
    testDepositAmount,
```

```
    expectedReturnAmount,  
    0,  
  ).swapData;
```

[illegible]

swapOutputToken is `_swapData[length - 50:length - 30]`, the `swap()` function will be reverted.

Impact

The keepers will not be able to successfully call `SwapHandler.swapForTau()`. Someone will get a reverted transaction if they misuse `UniswapSwapAdapter`.

Code Snippet

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/SwapAdapters/UniswapSwapAdapter.sol#L30>

Tool used

Manual Review

Recommendation

Limit the swap pools, or check if the balance of `_outputToken` should exceed `_amountOutMinimum`.

Discussion

Sierraescape

<https://github.com/protokol/taurus-contracts/pull/82>

MLON33

<https://github.com/protokol/taurus-contracts/pull/82>

Fixed here

IAm0x52

Fix looks good. Byte position of outputToken is now calculated dynamically based on path length rather than a hardcoded 21 bytes which only worked for single hops



Issue M-2: Mint limit is not reduced when the Vault is burning TAU

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus-judging/issues/149>

Found by

8solidity, Chinmay, GimelSec, HonorLt, LethL, Ruhum, SunSec, bytes032, cducrest-brainbot, chaduke, duc, mstpr-brainbot, nobody2018, shaka, tvdung94, y1cunhui

Summary

Upon burning TAU, it incorrectly updates the `currentMinted` when Vault is acting on behalf of users.

Vulnerability Detail

When the burn of TAU is performed, it calls `_decreaseCurrentMinted` to reduce the limit of tokens minted by the Vault:

```
function _decreaseCurrentMinted(address account, uint256 amount) internal
↳ virtual {
    // If the burner is a vault, subtract burnt TAU from its currentMinted.
    // This has a few highly unimportant edge cases which can generally be
↳ rectified by increasing the relevant vault's mintLimit.
    uint256 accountMinted = currentMinted[account];
    if (accountMinted >= amount) {
        currentMinted[msg.sender] = accountMinted - amount;
    }
}
```

The issue is that it subtracts `accountMinted` (which is `currentMinted[account]`) from `currentMinted[msg.sender]`. When the vault is burning tokens on behalf of the user, the `account != msg.sender` meaning the `currentMinted[account]` is 0, and thus the `currentMinted` of Vault will be reduced by 0 making it pretty useless.

Another issue is that users can transfer their TAU between accounts, and then `amount > accountMinted` will not be triggered.

Impact

`currentMinted` is incorrectly decreased upon burning so vaults do not get more space to mint new tokens.



Code Snippet

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/TAU.sol#L76-L83>

Tool used

Manual Review

Recommendation

A simple solution would be to:

```
uint256 accountMinted = currentMinted[msg.sender];
```

But I suggest revisiting and rethinking this function altogether.

Discussion

Sierraescape

<https://github.com/protokol/aurus-contracts/pull/85>

MLON33

<https://github.com/protokol/aurus-contracts/pull/85>

Fixed here

IAm0x52

Fix looks good. _decreaseCurrentMinted now always uses msg.sender as account



Issue M-3: Account can not be liquidated when price fall by 99%.

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus-judging/issues/61>

Found by

roguereddwarf, spyrosonic10

Summary

Liquidation fails when price fall by 99%.

Vulnerability Detail

`_calcLiquidation()` method has logic related to liquidations. This method calculate total liquidation discount, collateral to liquidate and liquidation surcharge. All these calculations looks okay in normal scenarios but there is an edge case when liquidation fails if price crashes by 99% or more. In such scenario `collateralToLiquidateWithoutDiscount` will be very large and calculated liquidation surcharge becomes greater than `collateralToLiquidate`

```
uint256 collateralToLiquidateWithoutDiscount = (_debtToLiquidate * (10 **  
    ↳ decimals)) / price;  
collateralToLiquidate = (collateralToLiquidateWithoutDiscount *  
    ↳ totalLiquidationDiscount) / Constants.PRECISION;  
if (collateralToLiquidate > _accountCollateral) {  
    collateralToLiquidate = _accountCollateral;  
}  
uint256 liquidationSurcharge = (collateralToLiquidateWithoutDiscount *  
    ↳ LIQUIDATION_SURCHARGE) / Constants.PRECISION
```

Contract revert from below line hence liquidation will fail in this scenario.

```
uint256 collateralToLiquidator = collateralToLiquidate - liquidationSurcharge;
```

Impact

Liquidation fails when price crash by 99% or more. Expected behaviour is that liquidation should be successful in all scenarios.



Code Snippet

Block of code that has bug. <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/taurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/BaseVault.sol#L396-L422>

Below is POC that prove failed liquidation.

```
it("should revert liquidation if an account is unhealthy and price crashed 99%",
  ↪ async () => {
    // Assume price is crashed 99%
    await glpOracle.updatePrice(PRECISION.mul(1).div(100));
    // check if the account is underwater
    const health = await gmxVault.getAccountHealth(user.address);
    expect(health).eq(false);

    // Check the liquidation amount
    const liqAmt = await gmxVault.getMaxLiquidation(user.address);

    // Mint some TAU to the liquidator and approve vault to spend it
    await mintHelper(liqAmt, liquidator.address);
    await tau.connect(liquidator).approve(gmxVault.address, liqAmt);
    const totalTauSupply = await tau.totalSupply();

    // liquidation will fail
    const tx = gmxVault.connect(liquidator).liquidate(user.address, liqAmt,
  ↪ 0);
    // reverted with panic code 0x11 (Arithmetic operation underflowed or
  ↪ overflowed outside of an unchecked block)
    await expect(tx).revertedWithPanic(0x11);
  });
```

PS: This test goes in 00_GmxYieldAdapter.ts and inside describe("Liquidate", async () => { block defined at line 269

Tool used

Manual Review

Recommendation

Presently liquidation surcharge is calculated on collateralToLiquidateWithoutDiscount. Project team may want to reconsider this logic and calculate surcharge on collateralToLiquidate instead of collateralToLiquidateWithoutDiscount. This will be business decision but easy fix

Another option is you may want to calculate surcharge on Math.min(collateralToLiquidate, collateralToLiquidateWithoutDiscount).



```
uint256 collateralToTakeSurchargeOn = Math.min(collateralToLiquidate,  
↳ collateralToLiquidateWithoutDiscount);  
uint256 liquidationSurcharge = (collateralToTakeSurchargeOn *  
↳ LIQUIDATION_SURCHARGE) / Constants.PRECISION;  
return (collateralToLiquidate, liquidationSurcharge);
```

Discussion

Sierraescape

<https://github.com/protokol/taurus-contracts/pull/122>

hrishibhat

Since this is an edge case for the given price fall resulting in reverting liquidations, Considering this as a valid medium

IAm0x52

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This is the same root cause as #89 that the liquidation surcharge is calculated based on the uncapped amount. This is another symptom of that same underlying problem, so it should be a dupe of #89

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Accepting the first escalation. After further internal discussion, both the outcomes originate out of the same root cause of using `collateralToLiquidateWithoutDiscount` to calculate `liquidationSurcharge`. While one mentions increase in the fee the other instance increases to cause underflow. Considering #89 a duplicate of this issue.

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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.

MLON33

<https://github.com/protokol/taurus-contracts/pull/122>

Fixed here

IAm0x52

Fix looks good. Surcharge is now taken on actual amount liquidated rather than undercounted amount



Issue M-4: A malicious admin can steal all users collateral

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus-judging/issues/43>

Found by

J4de, KingNFT

Summary

According to Aurus contest details, all roles, including the admin Multisig, should not be able to drain users collateral.

2. Multisig. Trusted with essentially everything but user collateral.

<https://app.sherlock.xyz/audits/contests/45> But the current implementation allows admin to update price feed without any restriction, such as timelock. This leads to an attack vector that a malicious admin can steal all users collateral.

Vulnerability Detail

As shown of `updateWrapper()` function of `PriceOracleManager.sol`, the admin (onlyOwner) can update any price oracle `_wrapperAddress` for any `_underlying` collateral without any restrictions (such as timelock).

```
File: taurus-contracts\contracts\Oracle\PriceOracleManager.sol
36:     function updateWrapper(address _underlying, address _wrapperAddress)
    ↪ external override onlyOwner {
37:         if (!_wrapperAddress.isContract()) revert notContract();
38:         if (wrapperAddressMap[_underlying] == address(0)) revert
    ↪ wrapperNotRegistered(_wrapperAddress);
39:
40:         wrapperAddressMap[_underlying] = _wrapperAddress;
41:
42:         emit WrapperUpdated(_underlying, _wrapperAddress);
43:     }
```

Hence, admin can set a malicious price oracle like

```
contract AttackOracleWrapper is IOracleWrapper, Ownable {
    address public attacker;
    IGLPManager public glpManager;

    constructor(address _attacker, address glp) {
        attacker = _attacker;
    }
}
```



```

        glpManager = IGLPManager(glp);
    }

    function getExternalPrice(
        address _underlying,
        bytes calldata _flags
    ) external view returns (uint256 price, uint8 decimals, bool success) {
        if (tx.origin == attacker) {
            return (1, 18, true); // @audit a really low price resulting in the
↳ liquidation of all positions
        } else {
            uint256 price = glpManager.getPrice();
            return (price, 18, true);
        }
    }
}

```

Then call `liquidate()` to drain out users collateral with negligible \$TAU cost.

```

File: taurus-contracts\contracts\Vault\BaseVault.sol
342:     function liquidate(
343:         address _account,
344:         uint256 _debtAmount,
345:         uint256 _minExchangeRate
346:     ) external onlyLiquidator whenNotPaused updateReward(_account) returns
↳ (bool) {
347:         if (_debtAmount == 0) revert wrongLiquidationAmount();
348:
349:         UserDetails memory accDetails = userDetails[_account];
350:
351:         // Since Taurus accounts' debt continuously decreases, liquidators
↳ may pass in an arbitrarily large number in order to
352:         // request to liquidate the entire account.
353:         if (_debtAmount > accDetails.debt) {
354:             _debtAmount = accDetails.debt;
355:         }
356:
357:         // Get total fee charged to the user for this liquidation.
↳ Collateral equal to (liquidated taurus debt value * feeMultiplier) will be
↳ deducted from the user's account.
358:         // This call reverts if the account is healthy or if the
↳ liquidation amount is too large.
359:         (uint256 collateralToLiquidate, uint256 liquidationSurcharge) =
↳ _calcLiquidation(
360:             accDetails.collateral,
361:             accDetails.debt,
362:             _debtAmount

```



```

363:         );
364:
365:         // Check that collateral received is sufficient for liquidator
366:         uint256 collateralToLiquidator = collateralToLiquidate -
↳ liquidationSurcharge;
367:         if (collateralToLiquidator < (_debtAmount * _minExchangeRate) /
↳ Constants.PRECISION) {
368:             revert insufficientCollateralLiquidated(_debtAmount,
↳ collateralToLiquidator);
369:         }
370:
371:         // Update user info
372:         userDetails[_account].collateral = accDetails.collateral -
↳ collateralToLiquidate;
373:         userDetails[_account].debt = accDetails.debt - _debtAmount;
374:
375:         // Burn liquidator's Tau
376:         TAU(tau).burnFrom(msg.sender, _debtAmount);
377:
378:         // Transfer part of _debtAmount to liquidator and Taurus as fees
↳ for liquidation
379:         IERC20(collateralToken).safeTransfer(msg.sender,
↳ collateralToLiquidator);
380:         IERC20(collateralToken).safeTransfer(
381:             Controller(controller).addressMapper(Constants.FEE_SPLITTER),
382:             liquidationSurcharge
383:         );
384:
385:         emit AccountLiquidated(msg.sender, _account, collateralToLiquidate,
↳ liquidationSurcharge);
386:
387:         return true;
388:     }

```

Impact

A malicious admin can steal all users collateral

Code Snippet

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/BaseVault.sol#L342>



Tool used

Manual Review

Recommendation

update of price oracle should be restricted with a `timelock`.

Discussion

iHarishKumar

<https://github.com/protokol/taurus-contracts/pull/128>

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Escalate for 10 USDC

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MLON33

<https://github.com/protokol/taurus-contracts/pull/128>

Fixed here

IAm0x52

Fix looks good. Timelocker will now be set as owner of oracle manager adding a timelock to any oracle change



Issue M-5: SwapHandler.sol: Check that collateral token cannot be swapped is insufficient for tokens with multiple addresses

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus-judging/issues/31>

Found by

roguereddwarf

Summary

According to the contest page any non-rebasing ERC20 token is supposed to be supported.

The SwapHandler.swapForTau function checks that the collateralToken cannot be sent to the SwapAdapter for trading:

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/SwapHandler.sol#L54-L56>

Vulnerability Detail

There exist however ERC20 tokens that have more than one address. In case of such a token, the above check is not sufficient. The token could be swapped anyway by using a different address.

Impact

The check that collateral cannot be swapped can be bypassed for tokens with multiple addresses.

Code Snippet

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/SwapHandler.sol#L45-L101>

Tool used

Manual Review

Recommendation

Compare the balance of the collateral before and after sending tokens to the SwapAdapter and make sure it hasn't changed. Or implement a whitelist for tokens



that can be swapped.

Discussion

Sierraescape

Tokens with multiple addresses are pretty rare, so we're just going to note that the vault doesn't allow such tokens as collateral, and create wrappers for them if necessary.

<https://github.com/protokol/taurus-contracts/pull/120>

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hrishibhat

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Note: Going forward, Sherlock team will add additional clarity on such rare token cases in the README.

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Fixed here

IAm0x52

No direct fix has been implemented but a note has been added explicitly stating that multi-address tokens are not supported

jacksanford1

Classifying this issue as "Acknowledged" since no direct fix was made.



Issue M-6: User can prevent liquidations by frontrunning the tx and slightly increasing their collateral

Source: <https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus-judging/issues/12>

Found by

Ruhum, cryptostellar5

Summary

User can prevent liquidations by frontrunning the tx and decreasing their debt so that the liquidation transaction reverts.

Vulnerability Detail

In the liquidation transaction, the caller has to specify the amount of debt they want to liquidate, `_debtAmount`. The maximum value for that parameter is the total amount of debt the user holds:

In `_calcLiquidation()`, the contract determines how much collateral to liquidate when `_debtAmount` is paid by the caller. In that function, there's a check that reverts if the caller tries to liquidate more than they are allowed to depending on the position's health.

The goal is to get that if-clause to evaluate to `true` so that the transaction reverts. To modify your position's health you have two possibilities: either you increase your collateral or decrease your debt. So instead of preventing the liquidation by pushing your position to a healthy state, you only modify it slightly so that the caller's liquidation transaction reverts.

Given that Alice has:

- 100 TAU debt
- 100 Collateral (price = \$1 so that collateralization rate is 1) Her position can be liquidated. The max value is:

$(1.3e18 * 100e18 - (100e18 * 1e18 * 1e18)) / 1e18 / 1.3e18 = 23.07e18$ (leave out liquidation discount for easier math)

The liquidator will probably use the maximum amount they can liquidate and call `liquidate()` with `23.07e18`. Alice frontruns the liquidator's transaction and increases the collateral by 1. That will change the max liquidation amount to:
 $(1.3e18 * 100e18 - 101e18 * 1e18) / 1.3e18 = 22.3e18$.

That will cause `_calcLiquidation()` to revert because $23.07e18 > 22.3e18$.



The actual amount of collateral to add or debt to decrease depends on the liquidation transaction. But, generally, you would expect the liquidator to liquidate as much as possible. Thus, you only have to slightly move the position to cause their transaction to revert

Impact

User can prevent liquidations by slightly modifying their position without putting it at a healthy state.

Code Snippet

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/BaseVault.sol#L342-L363>

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/BaseVault.sol#L396-L416>

<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-03-aurus/blob/main/aurus-contracts/contracts/Vault/BaseVault.sol#L240>

Tool used

Manual Review

Recommendation

In `_calcLiquidation()` the function shouldn't revert if `_debtToLiquidate > _getMaxLiquidation()`. Instead, just continue with the value `_getMaxLiquidation()` returns.

Discussion

Sierraescape

Great write-up and recommendation.

Sierraescape

<https://github.com/protokol/aurus-contracts/pull/115>

IAm0x52

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<https://github.com/sherlock-audit/2023-01-cooler-judging/issues/218>



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Fix looks good. `_calcLiquidation` now returns a lower debt amount if user is liquidating more than max collateral

