# Formal Verification Engagement Summary: Term Finance

#### Introduction

In September 2024, Runtime Verification engaged with Term Finance to perform formal verification on their DeFi protocol. At Runtime Verification, we specialize in building rigorous, mathematically grounded proofs to ensure that smart contracts behave as intended under all possible inputs and scenarios. Our tool, **Kontrol**, is designed to integrate seamlessly with Solidity-based projects, enabling developers to write property-based tests in Solidity and leverage symbolic execution to verify them. The following document summarizes the key aspects of our formal verification engagement with Term Finance, focusing on the tests, invariants, and findings from this collaboration.

# Reproducing the Proofs

To reproduce the results of this verification locally, follow the steps below:

#### **Install Kontrol:**

```
bash <(curl https://kframework.org/install)
kup install kontrol</pre>
```

### Clone the Test Repository:

```
git clone git@github.com:term-finance/yearn-v3-term-vault.git
cd yearn-v3-term-vault.git
git submodule update --init --recursive
```

#### **Run the Tests:**

```
kontrol build
kontrol prove --config-profile setup
kontrol prove --config-profile tests
```

#### View the Results:

kontrol list (optionally, it is possible to pass the flag --xml-test-report to the kontrol prove command and obtain a report in XML format)

# Scope

The goal of this engagement was to verify the correctness of two implementations of linked lists in Solidity, and more concretely, verify that the insertion and removal algorithms of both implementations preserved desired properties.

The files under the scope of the engagement were:

- RepoTokenList.sol
- RepoTokenUtils.sol
- TermAuctionList.sol

We used the branch runtime-fv to sync the changes and fixes implemented by the Term team and to push our tests and improvements to the code. The initial commit we started working on was f593f028be99e2dc7e0a210555130511b8fd61db. We ran the tests after changes and fixes to the code to ensure that those changes wouldn't break the properties and the fixes were actually fixing the found issue. The last commit we ran all the property tests is 6b06e5e73e21f34acd313ae98668d0fed0816762 where all proofs were passing.

#### **Invariants Proven**

Below are the definitions of both linked lists and the invariants we sought to formally verify in this engagement:

### RepoTokenList

The head of RepoTokenListData contains either NULL\_NODE (equal to bytes32(0)) or the address of a RepoToken (whose contract can be found <a href="here">here</a>). The nodes mapping should store the RepoTokenListNode with the next RepoToken in the list for each RepoToken.

The discountRates mapping in RepoTokenListData stores the discount rate of each repoToken in the list. The collateralTokenParams stores the minimum collateral ratio of each collateral token.

```
struct RepoTokenListNode {
   address next;
}

struct RepoTokenListData {
   address head;
   mapping(address => RepoTokenListNode) nodes;
   mapping(address => uint256) discountRates;
   /// @notice keyed by collateral token
   mapping(address => uint256) collateralTokenParams;
}
```

RepoTokenList Invariants:

• Invariant 1: Unique Entries

o Status: Verified

Summary: There should never be duplicate repoToken addresses in the list.

#### • Invariant 2: List Integrity

Status: Verified

- Summary: The number of nodes counted by traversing the list should always equal the number of unique repoTokens stored.
- Observation: We check that the <u>list count</u> remains consistent after each operation. The Unique Entries check ensures that all RepoTokens are unique. Together, these two prove that the invariant holds.

#### • Invariant 3: Null Termination

Status: Verified

- Summary: The next pointer of the last node in the list should always be NULL NODE.
- Observation: We check that the <u>list count</u> remains consistent after each operation. If the proof terminates, the list is guaranteed to be null-terminated.

#### • Invariant 4: Head Validity

Status: Verified

- Summary: If the list is non-empty, the head should never be NULL\_NODE; if the list is empty, the head should always be NULL\_NODE.
- Observation: We check that the list count remains consistent after each operation. The count returns 0 if, and only if, the head is null.

#### • Invariant 5: Sorted by Maturity

Status: Verified

 Summary: The repoTokens in the RepoTokenList should always be sorted by maturity.

#### • Invariant 6: Insert Operation Correctness

o Status: Verified

- Summary: After inserting a new repoToken, it should be in the correct sorted position based on its maturity.
- Observation: We check that the inserted token <u>is in the list</u>, and we check that the original list is preserved, i.e. all elements that were in the list before are still in the list, and we also check that the list is sorted by maturity after the insertion.

#### • Invariant 7: Maturity Validity

- Status: Verified
- Summary: All repoTokens in the list should have a maturity timestamp greater than the current block timestamp.

#### • Invariant 8: Balance Consistency

- Status: Verified
- Summary: The Strategy's balance for each repoToken in the list should be greater than zero.

#### • Invariant 9: Remove Operation Correctness

- o Status: Verified
- Summary: After removing a repoToken, it should no longer be in the list, and the list should maintain its sorted order.
- Observation: The checks for <u>Maturity Validity</u>, <u>Sorted by maturity</u> and <u>Balance Consistency</u> ensure that all matured and redeemed tokens have been removed and the list remains sorted. Additionally, we check that all the elements that are in the resulting list after remove were in the list before.

#### TermAuction I ist

Each PendingOffer stores information about an offer for some auction. The repoToken is an ERC20 token whose implementation can be found <a href="here">here</a>. The termAuction is the auction contract address that the offerAmount refers to. Finally, the offerLocker is the <a href="here">contract</a> that handles and processes auction offer submissions.

```
struct PendingOffer {
   address repoToken;
   uint256 offerAmount;
   ITermAuction termAuction;
   ITermAuctionOfferLocker offerLocker;
}
```

The head of TermAuctionListData contains either NULL\_NODE (equal to bytes32(0)) or some offerId, which which is generated using a hash function. The nodes mapping should store the TermAuctionList node with the next offerId for each offerId. The offers mapping should store the corresponding PendingOffer for each offerId.

```
struct TermAuctionListNode {
    bytes32 next;
}

struct TermAuctionListData {
    bytes32 head;
    mapping(bytes32 => TermAuctionListNode) nodes;
    mapping(bytes32 => PendingOffer) offers;
}
```

#### TermAuctionList Invariants:

#### • Invariant 1: Unique Entries

Status: Verified

 Summary: This invariant ensures that there should never be duplicate offer IDs in the list.

#### • Invariant 2: List Integrity

Status: Verified

- Summary: This invariant ensures that the number of nodes counted by traversing the list should always equal the number of unique offer IDs stored.
- Observation: We check that the <u>list count</u> remains consistent after each operation. The <u>Unique Entries</u> check ensures that all offer IDs are unique. Together, these two prove that the invariant holds.

#### • Invariant 3: Null Termination

- Status: Verified
- Summary: This invariant ensures that the next pointer of the last node in the list should always be NULL\_NODE.
- Observation: We check that the <u>list count</u> remains consistent. If the proof terminates, the list is guaranteed to be null-terminated.

#### • Invariant 4: Head Validity

- Status: Verified
- Summary: This invariant ensures that if the list is non-empty, the head should never be NULL\_NODE; if the list is empty, the head should always be NULL\_NODE.
- Observation: We check that the <u>list count</u> remains consistent after each operation. The count returns 0 if, and only if, the head is null.

#### • Invariant 5: Sorted by Auction Address

- Status: Verified
- Summary: This invariant ensures that the offers in the TermAuctionList should always be sorted by the termAuction address.

#### • Invariant 6: Insert Operation Correctness

- Status: Verified
- Summary: This invariant ensures that after inserting a new offer, it should be in the correct sorted position based on its termAuction address.
- Observation: We check that the inserted new offer is <u>in the list</u>, and the check for <u>Sorted by auction address</u> invariant ensures that it is in the correct position. Together, these two prove that the invariant holds.

#### • Invariant 7: Auction Status Consistency

- Status: Verified
- Summary: This invariant ensures that there should be no offers in the list for completed or canceled auctions.

#### • Invariant 8: Positive Offers Consistency

- Status: Verified
- Summary: This invariant ensures that all offers in the list have a positive balance.

#### • Invariant 9: Remove Operation Correctness

- Status: Verified
- Summary: This invariant ensures that after removing a completed or canceled offer, it should no longer be on the list, and the list should maintain its sorted order.

 Observation: The checks for <u>Sorted by auction address</u> and <u>Auction Status</u> <u>Consistency</u> ensure that all offers for completed or canceled auctions have been removed and that the list remains sorted.

### • Invariant 10: Offer Consistency

Status: Verified

 Summary: This invariant ensures that the offer amount stored in the list for each offer should match the amount locked in the corresponding TermAuctionOfferLocker contract.

#### • Invariant 11: Valid RepoTokens Consistency

Status: Verified

 Summary: This invariant ensures that, for any offer in the list its corresponding repoToken is valid according to the checks performed by the function validateRepoToken

#### **Proof Overview**

The invariant proofs of the RepoTokenListData be found in the can proofs RepoTokenListInvariants contract. whereas the invariant for the TermAuctionListData can be found in the TermAuctionListInvariants contract. Both contracts inherit from KontrolTests contract, which inherits the Foundry Tests contract and also the KontrolCheats contract. The KontrolCheats contains the keym address as well as the library of Kontrol cheatcodes that are necessary to run the tests.

Both RepoTokenListInvariants and TermAuctionListInvariants have a setUp method that makes their respective storage all symbolic through the Kontrol cheatcode kevm.symbolicStorage(address(this)). The use of this cheatcode in setUp makes the storage of respective contracts symbolic, or arbitrary, which allows proving that invariants hold for any state of the contract and its storage.

After setting the storage to symbolic, the setUp function applies loop unrolling via the <a href="mailto:bmc-depth">bmc-depth</a> in the <a href="mailto:kontrol.toml">kontrol.toml</a> file, creating arbitrary lists with sizes 0, 1, ..., bmc-depth. This parameter can be passed in the cli, overriding the one in the toml file. The proofs therefore offer a bounded verification guarantee, for lists of sizes up to and including bmc-depth.

We designed the following tests to prove the specified invariants:

### RepoTokenList

#### **<u>Iest 1</u>**: Property-Based Test for Insert a New RepoToken in the List

- Objective: This test verifies that insertSorted inserts a new repoToken in the list (that was not present in the list before) while preserving the list <u>invariants</u>.
- Current Status: Verified and passed in 6m:31s for bmc-depth 3.
- Details: Before inserting a new token, we assume that the invariants are holding. Then, we build a new repo token, which we know is not in the list because it is the result of <u>newRepoToken()</u>. Finally, we assert that the repo token is in the list and that the invariants are still holding.

#### Assumptions before function call:

- There are no matured tokens in the list
- The tokens in the list are sorted by maturity
- All tokens in the list have a positive balance
- The new token to be inserted has not matured yet and has a positive balance

#### Assertions:

#### Before function call:

 There are no duplicate tokens in the list - this is asserted instead of assumed since the initialization procedure guarantees this invariant

#### After function call:

- The new token is in the list
- The length of the list is equal to the previous length plus one
- There are no duplicate tokens in the list
- There are no matured tokens in the list
- The tokens in the list are sorted by maturity
- All tokens in the list have a positive balance

#### ☑ Test 2: Property-Based Test for Inserting a Duplicated RepoToken in the List

- Objective: This test verifies that insertSorted preserves the list <u>invariants</u> when trying to insert a RepoToken that is already in the list.
- Current Status: Verified and passed in 4m:16s for bmc-depth 3.
- Details: We assume that the invariants are holding. Then, we try to insert a repo
  token that is already in the list. Finally, we assert that the invariants are still
  holding and that the size of the list didn't change.

#### Assumptions before function call:

- There are no matured tokens in the list
- The tokens in the list are sorted by maturity
- All tokens in the list have a positive balance

#### Assertions:

#### Before function call:

 There are no duplicate tokens in the list - this is asserted instead of assumed since the initialization procedure guarantees this invariant

- The length of the list is equal to the previous length
- There are no duplicate tokens in the list
- There are no matured tokens in the list
- The tokens in the list are sorted by maturity
- All tokens in the list have a positive balance

#### ☑ Test 3: Property-Based Test for Removing Matured Tokens from the List

- Objective: This test verifies that removeAndRedeemMaturedTokens removes all the matured tokens from the list, preserving the list <u>invariants</u>
- Current Status: Verified and passed in 5m:6s for bmc-depth 3.
- Details: We assume that desired invariants hold. We cannot assume that there are no matured tokens in the list or that all tokens in the list have a positive balance because the purpose of the removeAndRedeemMaturedTokens is to remove these tokens from the list. We will instead assert that those invariants hold after calling removeAndRedeemMaturedTokens, together with the other invariants that were holding before.

#### Assumptions:

- The tokens in the list are sorted by maturity
- The call to redeemTermRepoTokens will not revert

#### Assertions:

#### Before function call:

 There are no duplicate tokens in the list - this is asserted instead of assumed since the initialization procedure guarantees this invariant

- The length of the list is less than or equal to the previous length
- There are no duplicate tokens in the list
- The tokens in the list are sorted by maturity
- There are no matured tokens in the list
- All tokens in the list have a positive balance

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#### **<u>Iest 1</u>**: Property-Based Test for Inserting a New Offer in the List

- Objective: This test verifies that insertPending inserts a new offer in the list (that was not present in the list before) and preserves the list invariants.
- Current Status: Verified and passed in 23m:31s for bmc-depth 3.
- Details: Before inserting a new offer in the list, we assume that the invariants are holding. The test receives as a parameter an offerId that we assume is not on the list yet. Then we build a new offer to be submitted together with this offerId. Finally, we assert that the new offer is on the list and that the invariants are still holding.

#### Assumptions before function call:

- The new offerId to be inserted is not on the list
- For any offer in the list, the offer amount matches the locked offer amount in the respective locker
- For any offer in the list, the offer amount is positive
- There are no completed or canceled auctions on the list
- The termAuction of the offer is not completed
- The termAuction of the offer to be inserted is not cancelled for withdrawal
- The new offerId to be inserted is different than bytes32(0)
- The new offer amount to be inserted is equal to the locked offer amount
- The locked offer amount for the offer to be inserted is greater than 0
- The offer repoToken is a valid repoToken, i.e. it passes the checks performed by validateRepoToken function

#### Assertions:

- **Before function call:** initialization procedure guarantees these invariants
  - The list is sorted by auction address
  - There are no duplicated offers in the list

- The new offer is on the list
- The length of the list is equal to the previous length plus one
- There are no duplicated offers in the list
- The offers in the list are sorted by auction address
- For any offer in the list, the offer amount matches the locked offer amount in the respective locker
- For any offer in the list, the offer amount is positive
- There are no completed or canceled auctions on the list

#### ☑ Test 2: Property-Based Test for Inserting a Duplicated Offer in the List

- **Objective:** This test verifies that insertPending preserves the list <u>invariants</u> when trying to insert an offer whose offerId is already in the list.
- o Current Status: Verified and passed in 11m:03s for bmc-depth 3.
- Details: We assume that the invariants are holding. Then, we insert an offerId
  that is already in the list. Finally, we assert that the offer amount was updated,
  the invariants are still holding, and that the size of the list didn't change.

#### Assumptions before function call:

- The offerId to be inserted is already on the list
- For any offer in the list that is different from the offerId to be inserted, the offer amount matches the locked offer amount in the respective locker. The point of calling insertPending with an offer that is already on the list is to update the offer amount
- For any offer in the list, the offer amount is positive
- There are no completed or canceled auctions on the list
- The termAuction of the pendingOffer to be submitted should be equal to the termAuction with the same offerId that is already on the list
- The repoToken of the pendingOffer to be submitted should be equal to the repoToken with the same offerId that is already on the list
- The offerLocker of the pendingOffer to be submitted should be equal to the offerLocker with the same offerId that is already on the list
- The offer amount of the pendingOffer to be submitted is greater than 0
- The offer amount of the pendingOffer to be submitted is equal to the locked offer amount

#### Assertions:

- **Before function call:** initialization procedure guarantees these invariants
  - The list is sorted by auction address
  - There are no duplicated offers in the list

- The offer is on the list and the offer amount has been updated to the new amount
- The length of the list is equal to the previous length plus one
- There are no duplicated offers in the list
- The offers in the list are sorted by auction address
- For any offer in the list, the offer amount matches the locked offer amount in the respective locker
- For any offer in the list, the offer amount is positive
- There are no completed or canceled auctions on the list

# ☑ <u>Test 3</u>: Property-Based Test for Remove Offers for Completed or Cancelled auctions from the list

- Objective: This test verifies that the removeCompleted function removes all
  offers for auctions that have been cancelled or completed, or offers whose locked
  offer amount is 0 and preserves the list invariants.
- o Current Status: Verified and passed in 1h:19m:12s for bmc-depth 3.
- Details: We assume that desired invariants hold. We cannot assume that there are no offers for completed or canceled auctions or that the offer amount is equal to the locked offer amount for each offer because the purpose of the removeCompleted function is to remove all these offers from the list. We will instead assert that, after calling removeCompleted, there are no offers for completed or canceled auctions in the list and all offers have a positive locked offer amount, together with the other invariants that were holding before.

#### Assumptions:

- For any offer in the list, the offer amount is positive
- The calls to the offerLocker.unlockOffers will always succeed
- The calls to the validateAndInsertRepoToken will not revert. This assumption is for proof efficiency, otherwise, the proof would branch in every condition of validateAndInsertRepoToken making it very hard to prove for bmc depths greater than 3
- For proof simplicity: the RepoTokenList is empty, and there are no discount rates set for any of the list offers repoTokens

#### Assertions:

- **Before function call:** initialization procedure guarantees these invariants
  - The list is sorted by auction address
  - There are no duplicated offers in the list

- The length of the list is less or equal to the previous length
- There are no duplicated offers in the list
- The offers in the list are sorted by auction address
- For any offer in the list, the offer amount is positive
- There are no completed or canceled auctions on the list
- For any offer in the list, the locked offer amount is positive

# **Get Functions Properties**

After proving the correctness of both lists, the client wanted to verify the properties of their get functions. Both lists had implementations for getPresentValue and getCumulativeData (getCumulativeRepoTokenData and getCumulativeOfferData for RepoTokenList and TermAuctionList respectively).

The properties asked to be verified are the following:

- **Property 1:** Cumulative Offer Data Consistency
  - The cumulative weighted time to maturity and cumulative offer amount calculated by getCumulativeOfferData() should be consistent with individual offer details.
- **Property 2:** Present Value Calculation
  - The sum of individual present values of offers should equal the total present value returned by getPresentValue() when called with address(0).
- **Property 3:** Total Asset Value Consistency
  - The total asset value reported by the strategy should always be equal to the sum of the liquid balance, the present value of repoTokens, and the present value of pending offers.

The provided specifications of the mentioned functions were:

## RepoTokenList

getCumulativeRepoTokenData

- **Purpose:** The function is designed to retrieve the cumulative sum of each repoToken's remaining time to maturity (in seconds) weighted by repoToken balance AND the raw sum of each repoToken's balance in the Strategy by iterating through the repoTokenList. This function returns three values:
  - cumulativeWeightedTimeToMaturity: cumulative sum of repoTokens held, weighted by remaining time to maturity in seconds
  - o cumulativeRepoTokenAmount: cumulative sum of all repoTokens held
  - found: boolean on whether repoToken specified exists, if not, include for cases this method is called as a view function to simulate transactions
  - The optional repoToken and repoTokenAmount parameters are included to allow for simulating the addition of a new repoToken into the Strategy.

#### getPresentValue

• **Purpose**: Calculate the cumulative sum of the present value of each repoToken held by the Strategy. Term uses an actual/360 day count convention so that:

```
Present value = notional * 1 / (1 + r * daysToMaturity / 360)
```

 totalPresentValue: cumulative sum of the present value of each repoToken held by the portfolio

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#### getCumulativeOfferData

- **Purpose**: The function is designed to retrieve the cumulative sum of each offer's remaining time to maturity (in seconds) weighted by offer.amount AND the raw sum of each offer's offer amount by iterating through the pendingOffer list. This function returns three values:
  - cumulativeWeightedTimeToMaturity: cumulative sum of outstanding offers weighted by remaining time to maturity in seconds
  - cumulativeOfferAmount: cumulative sum of outstanding offers
  - found: boolean on whether repoToken specified exists, if not, include for cases this method is called as a view function to simulate transactions
  - The optional repoToken and repoTokenAmount parameters are included to simulate the addition of a new offer or changes to an existing one.
  - Offers for completed auctions whose repoToken was not added to the repoTokenList yet because the removeCompleted function was not yet called should only be counted once per auction. The offerAmount for those offers should be calculated with RepoTokenUtils.getNormalizedRepoTokenAmount.
  - Offers for completed auctions whose repoToken is already in the repoTokenList should not be counted twice (once because the newly minted repoTokens will show up in the balance of the vault, and the second time because the pending offer has not been removed yet)

#### getPresentValue

- Purpose: Calculate the sum of all pending offers
  - totalValue: cumulative sum of all pending offers (except in the edge case or any other potential double-counting case)
  - Offers for completed auctions whose repoToken was not added to the repoTokenList yet because the removeCompleted function was not yet called should only be counted once per auction. The offerAmount for those offers should be calculated with RepoTokenUtils.getNormalizedRepoTokenAmount.
  - Offers for completed auctions whose repoToken is already in the repoTokenList should not be counted twice (once because the newly minted repoTokens will show up in the balance of the vault, and the second time because the pending offer has not been removed yet)

### RepoTokenList

# ☑ Test 1: The calculated cumulative repoToken data is consistent with the repoTokens in the list

- Objective: This test verifies the cumulative weighted time to maturity and repoToken balances calculated by getCumulativeRepoTokenData() are consistent with the repoTokens stored in repoTokenList.
  - cumulativeWeightedTimeToMaturity is equal to the sum of each and every repoToken in the Strategy multiplied by its remaining time to maturity
  - cumulativeRepoTokenAmount value is equal to the sum of all repoToken balances in the Strategy
- Current Status: Verified and passed in 8m 25s for bmc-depth 2.

#### Assumptions before function call:

- There are no duplicate tokens in the list (true because we proved this invariant before)
- All tokens in the list have a positive balance (assumed for proof efficiency)

#### Details:

- Let (cumTime, cumAmount) = getCumulativeRepoTokenData()
- Let maturedTokensAmount =
  - \_filterMaturedTokensGetTotalValue(repoTokenList) where
  - \_filterMaturedTokensGetTotalValue is a function that computes the

- cumulative sum of normalizedRepoTokenAmounts of matured tokens and removes them from the list.
- Let (noMaturedTokensTime, noMaturedTokensAmount) =
  \_cumulativeRepoTokenDataNotMatured where
  \_cumulativeRepoTokenDataNotMatured is a function that computes the
  cumulative repoToken data for non-matured tokens.

#### Assertions:

- The cumulative weighted time to maturity of the original list is equal to the cumulative weighted time to maturity after removing matured tokens:

  cumTime == noMaturedTokensTime
- The cumulative repoToken amount of the original list is equal cumulative offer amount of matured repoTokens plus the cumulative offer amount of non-matured repoTokens:
  - cumAmount == maturedTokensAmount + noMaturedTokensAmount

# ☑ Test 2: The cumulative sum of repoTokens total value is consistent with the repoTokens in the list

- Objective: This test verifies the value calculated by getPresentValue is equal
  to the sum of the present value of each and every repoToken in the Strategy
  multiplied by its remaining time to maturity.
- o Current Status: Verified and passed in 11m 36s for bmc-depth 2.

#### Assumptions before function call:

- There are no duplicate tokens in the list (true because we proved this invariant before)
- <u>0 < purchaseTokenPrecision</u> otherwise the function reverts due to division by 0

#### Details:

- Let totalValue = getPresentValue()
- Let maturedTokensTotalValue =
  - \_filterMaturedTokensGetTotalValue(repoTokenList) where \_filterMaturedTokensGetTotalValue is a function that computes the cumulative sum of normalizedRepoTokenAmounts of matured tokens and removes them from the list.
- Let noMaturedTokensTotalValue = \_totalPresentValueNotMatured where totalPresentValueNotMatured is a function that computes the

cumulative repoToken present value for non-matured tokens.

#### Assertions:

■ The cumulative present value of the original list is equal to the cumulative present value of matured repoTokens plus the cumulative present value of non-matured repoTokens:

totalValue == maturedTokensTotalValue +
noMaturedTokensTotalValue

#### **TermAuctionList**

# ✓ Test 1: The calculated cumulative offer data is consistent with the offers in the list

- Objective: This test verifies the cumulative weighted time to maturity and cumulative offer amount calculated by getCumulativeOfferData() are consistent with the offers stored in termAuctionList.
  - cumulativeWeightedTimeToMaturity value is equal to the sum of each offer multiplied by the remaining time to maturity (except in the edge case and any other potential double-counting case)
  - cumulativeRepoTokenAmount value is equal to the sum of all offers in pendingOffers (except in the edge case or any other potential double counting case).
- Current Status: Verified and passed in 29m 33s for bmc-depth 2.

#### Assumptions before function call:

- There are no duplicate offers in the list (true because we proved this invariant before)
- The locked offer amount for completed auctions is 0 (if this is not true then the property does not hold)
- To prevent excessive branching on the proofs, which would cause a significant slowdown of proof executions, we assumed the following (notice the tests still pass without these assumptions but take longer time to execute):
  - The locked offer amount for non-completed auctions is greater than 0
  - There is no offer in the list whose repoToken has matured
  - The repoTokens for all offers have a positive balance and a positive redemptionValue

#### Details:

- Let (cumulativeTime, cumulativeAmount) = getCumulativeOfferData()
- Let (noCompletedAuctionsCumulativeTime,
  noCompletedAuctionsCumulativeAmount) =
  \_filterCompletedAuctionsGetCumulativeOfferData where
  \_filterCompletedAuctionsGetCumulativeOfferData is a function
  that computes the cumulative weighted time to maturity and the
  cumulative offer amount for non-completed auctions and removes them
  from the list.
- From the remaining list (with only completed auctions) remove the offers whose repoToken is already in the repoTokenList
- From the remaining list remove offers for the same auction, i.e. there should be only one offer per auction
- Let (completedAuctionsCumulativeTime,
   completedAuctionsCumulativeAmount) =
   \_getCumulativeOfferDataCompletedAuctions where
   \_getCumulativeOfferDataCompletedAuctions is a function that
   computes the cumulative weighted time to maturity and the cumulative
   offer amount for completed auctions

#### Assertions:

- The cumulative weighted time to maturity of the original list is equal to the cumulative weighted time to maturity of the non-completed auctions plus the cumulative weighted time to maturity of the list with only offers for completed (non-repeated) auctions whose repoToken is not on the repoTokenList:
  - cumulativeTime == noCompletedAuctionsCumulativeTime +
    completedAuctionsCumulativeTime
- The cumulative offerAmount of the original list is equal to the cumulative offerAmount of the non-completed auctions plus the cumulative offerAmount of the list with only offers for completed (non-repeated) auctions whose repoToken is not on the repoTokenList: cumulativeAmount == noCompletedAuctionsCumulativeAmount + completedAuctionsCumulativeAmount

- ✓ Test 2: The sum of individual present values of offers should equal the total present value returned by getPresentValue() when called with address(0)
  - Objective: This test verifies the cumulative sum of the present value of offers calculated by getPresentValue() is consistent with the offers stored in termAuctionList.
  - o Current Status: Verified and passed in 31m 53s for bmc-depth 2.

#### Assumptions before function call:

- There are no duplicate offers in the list (true because we proved this invariant before)
- The locked offer amount for completed auctions is 0 (if this is not true then the property does not hold)
- lacktriangledown 0 < purchaseTokenPrecision otherwise the function reverts due to division by 0
- The locked offer amount for non-completed auctions is greater than 0 (for proof efficiency, but the test still passes without this assumption

#### Details:

- Let totalValue = getPresentValue()
- Let noCompletedAuctionsTotalValue =
  - filterCompletedAuctionsGetTotalValue where
  - \_filterCompletedAuctionsGetTotalValue is a function that computes the total present value for non-completed auctions and removes them from the list.
- From the remaining list (with only completed auctions) remove the offers whose repoToken is already in the repoTokenList
- From the remaining list remove offers for the same auction, i.e. there should be only one offer per auction
- Let completedAuctionsTotalValue =
   \_getTotalValueCompletedAuctions where
   \_getTotalValueCompletedAuctions is a function that computes the
  total present value for completed auctions

#### Assertions:

■ The total present value of the original list is equal to the total present value of the non-completed auctions plus the total present value of the list with only offers for completed (non-repeated) auctions whose repoToken is not on the repoTokenList:

totalValue == noCompletedAuctionsTotalValue +
completedAuctionsTotalValue

# **Findings During the Engagement**

During the formal verification campaign, we identified the following issues:

• Issue 1: Infinite loop

**Impact:** The function insertSorted may result in an infinite loop if there are two tokens with the same maturity and we try to insert the second one again.

**Resolution:** The check for the maturity to insert should be:

• Issue 2: TermAuctionList.removeCompleted function may become inoperable if validateAndInsertRepoToken reverts

Impact: This <u>issue</u> affects the functionality of the TermAuctionList.removeCompleted function. When **Resolution**: Make the functions validateAndInsertRepoToken and validateRepoToken return a bool whether the insertion was successful or not. The return value of these functions can be ignored in the removeComplete, but it should be changed in Strategy.sol to revert in the places where the result of calling these functions was false.

**Commit:** <u>a4385e8</u> and <u>9cb8e1c</u>

• Issue 3: TermAuctionList.removeCompleted function may become inoperable if unlockOffers reverts

**Impact:** This <u>issue</u> affects the functionality of the TermAuctionList.removeCompleted function. When iterating through the list of offers, if an auction is cancelled for withdrawal, then <u>TermAuctionOfferLocker.unlockOffers</u> function is called. This function can revert in some cases, meaning that the removeCompleted would revert forever, and it would become impossible to remove offers for completed or cancelled auctions from the list afterward.

**Resolution:** Add a try-catch clause around the unlockOffers function call.

Commit: 9cb8e1c

• Issue 4: TermAuctionList.insertSorted does not preserve Invariant 7
Impact: Invariant 7 states that that there should be no offers in the list for completed or canceled auctions. However, there is no check that the new offer being inserted is not for a completed or canceled auction.

**Resolution:** Require that the auction is not completed or canceled for withdrawal.

Commit: c2f2d07

• Issue 5: TermAuctionList.removeCompleted does not preserve Invariant 7 and 9
Impact: Invariant 7 states that there should be no offers in the list for completed or canceled auctions, and invariant 9 states that after the removeCompleted function is called all offers in the list for completed or canceled auctions should be removed from the list. However, if the list has more than 3 elements and there are 2 sequential elements whose auctions have been canceled or removed, the second offer to be removed will still be in the list after the function finishes.

**Resolution:** When removing the current node from the list, the current node variable should be assigned to the prev node variable, so in the next iteration the prev node will be linked to the next node in the list.

Commit: <u>e533cd2</u> and <u>43df359</u>

# • Issue 6: TermAuctionList.removeCompleted function may become inoperable if getDiscountRate reverts

Impact: This issue affects the functionality of the TermAuctionList.removeCompleted function. When iterating through the list of offers, if an auction is completed, the removeCompleted function will try to insert the offer.repoToken in the repotokenListData by calling the validateAndInsertRepoToken. This function calls getDiscountRate which can revert in some cases. This means that the removeCompleted would revert forever, and it would become impossible to remove offers for completed or canceled auctions from the list afterward.

**Resolution:** Add a try-catch clause around the getDiscountRate function call.

**Commit:** <u>7e44805</u> and <u>e80505c</u>

# • Issue 7: repoTokenListData.nodes and repoTokenListData.discountRates may become inconsistent

Impact: Some functions, such as getPresentValue and getCumulativeOfferData check whether a repoToken is on the list or not by checking that repoTokenListData.discountRates[repoToken] == 0. Such functions assume that repoTokenListData.discountRates and repoTokenListData.discountRates are consistent with each other, in the sense that if a repoToken is on the list then repoTokenListData.discountRates[repoToken] != 0. However, it can be the case that repoToken in the repo tokens list and repoTokenListData.discountRates[repoToken] == 0. This happens because the function validateAndInsertRepoToken, after inserting the repoToken in the list assigns

the repoTokenListData.discountRates[repoToken] to the value returned by getDiscountRate(repoToken). However, there is no check that this value is different than 0.

The consequences are that the functions getPresentValue and getCumulativeOfferData will double count such repoTokens in some cases, **violating Properties 1 and 2**.

**Resolution:** Add an if statement and only insert the repoToken in the list if the value returned by getDiscountRate is different than 0.

Commit: <u>3919032</u>

#### • Issue 8: Some repoTokens may never be redeemed

Impact: The repoveCompleted function, iterates through the list of offers, and if the auction of some offer is completed and its repoToken has already matured, then the repoToken will not be inserted in the repoTokenListData, because the function validateAndInsertRepoToken returns false and does not insert the repoToken in the list. This offer is then removed from the termAuctionListData, which means that this repoToken was not redeemed and will never be, since it was not added to the repoTokenListData.

**Resolution:** If the repoToken has already matured redeem it before removing the offer from the list.

**Commit:** <u>3919032</u>

### Conclusion

This engagement is a good example of how formal verification can be crucial in ensuring the correctness of protocols. The specification of invariants and properties helped not only identify issues but also be confident that the desired properties hold under certain pre-conditions.

All the properties proven in the tests for the insert and removal operations of both list implementations and the properties for the get functions hold **under the assumptions** mentioned in each test. It is very important to ensure that when these functions are called the corresponding assumptions hold, otherwise preservation of the invariants is not guaranteed.

The most interesting issue in this engagement is Issue 5: TermAuctionList.removeCompleted does not preserve Invariants 7 and 9. First, it is not certain that this issue would be spotted with traditional code review, since it is a subtle bug that only manifests if we have lists with 3 elements or more and we try to remove 2 subsequent elements that are not the head of the list. In addition, and more importantly, the other formal verification tools in the market perform bounded model checking with bmc-depth 1 or at maximum 2. But, as already mentioned, this particular issue only manifests with lists with at least 3 elements.

An interesting follow-up engagement would be to prove these invariants for the functions where these functions are called. These functions are in Strategy.sol, where there are other interesting properties to prove. By following this approach, we would ensure the correctness of the entire system.