

Security Audit

Report for Puffer - Protocol v2

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Report Manifest

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Client	Puffer
Target	Puffer-Protocol v2

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Version	Date	Description
1.0	September 9, 2026	First release

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Chapter 1 Introduction

1.1 About the Audit Target

Information	Description
Type	Smart Contract
Language	Solidity
Approach	Semi-automatic and manual verification

The audit target (hereinafter referred to as the Target) of this audit is the code repositories¹² of Puffer-Protocol v2 of Puffer.

Puffer-Protocol v2 is a cross-chain restaking and attestation integration that connects Puffer validator operations with Automata-verified TEE sessions. The audit scope covers two main layers of code. The first is the Puffer contract layer, which handles validator registration and provisioning, Guardian enclave key rotation, withdrawal batch processing, Validator Ticket accounting, reward distribution, and L1/L2 reward bridging. The second layer is the Automata TEE workload measurement layer, which verifies TDX/SNP reports, TPM quotes, AK and session-key delegation, base image and workload policies, PCR constraints, and session lifecycle operations consumed by Puffer's Guardian trust path.

Specifically, for code in [puffer-contracts-updates-private](#), the audit focuses on the codes located in the following directories/files:

- l2-contracts/src
- mainnet-contracts/src

For code in [automata-tee-workload-measurement](#), the audit focuses on the codes located in the following directories/files:

- src/SessionRegistry.sol
- src/BaselImageRegistry.sol
- src/WorkloadRegistry.sol
- src/TeeVerifier.sol
- src/SignatureVerifier.sol
- src/KeyResolver.sol

Other files are not within the scope of the audit. Additionally, all dependencies of the Target are considered reliable in terms of both functionality and security, and are therefore not included in the audit scope.

The auditing process is iterative. Specifically, we would audit the commits that fix the discovered issues. If there are new issues, we will continue this process. The commit SHA values during the audit are shown in the following table. Our audit report is responsible for the code in the initial version ([Version 1](#)), as well as new code (in the following versions) to fix issues in the audit report. For [Version 2](#) of [automata-tee-workload-measurement](#), newly introduced features and refactoring changes are outside the audit scope. Code prior to and including the

¹<https://github.com/PufferFinance/puffer-contracts-updates-private>

²<https://github.com/automata-network/automata-tee-workload-measurement>

baseline version ([Version 0](#)), where applicable, is outside the scope of this audit and assumes to be reliable and secure.

Project	Version	Commit Hash
puffer - contracts - updates - private	Version 0	380600060cd231fd8616ba167e674d4140486dbb
	Version 1	08ecce346f092f4ba5f0f71399b08d5d065a48bb
	Version 2	b3a53d9ce026d1c6a18fd02e53b0c6c354e6b12b
automata - tee - workload - measurement	Version 1	101d828ded943dc75865e65907e057de1532da9f
	Version 2	0e0991b656fd7568ebfff9a9cf3554899695073a

1.2 Disclaimer

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This audit report is not an endorsement of any particular project or team, and the report does not guarantee the security of any particular project. This audit does not give any warranties on discovering all security issues of the Target, i.e., the evaluation result does not guarantee the nonexistence of any further findings of security issues. As one audit cannot be considered comprehensive, we always recommend proceeding with independent audits and a public bug bounty program to ensure the security of the Target.

The scope of this audit is limited to the code mentioned in [Section 1.1](#). Unless explicitly specified, the security of the language itself (e.g., the solidity language), the underlying compiling toolchain and the computing infrastructure are out of the scope.

1.3 Procedure of Auditing

We perform the audit according to the following procedure.

- **Vulnerability Detection** We first scan the Target with automatic code analyzers, and then manually verify (reject or confirm) the issues reported by them.
- **Semantic Analysis** We study the business logic of the Target and conduct further investigation on the possible vulnerabilities using an automatic fuzzing tool (developed by our research team). We also manually analyze possible attack scenarios with independent auditors to cross-check the result.
- **Recommendation** We provide some useful advice to developers from the perspective of good programming practice, including gas optimization, code style, and etc.

We show the main concrete checkpoints in the following.

1.3.1 Security Issues

- * Access control
- * Permission management

- * Whitelist and blacklist mechanisms
- * Initialization consistency
- * Improper use of the proxy system
- * Reentrancy
- * Denial of Service (DoS)
- * Untrusted external call and control flow
- * Exception handling
- * Data handling and flow
- * Events operation
- * Error-prone randomness
- * Oracle security
- * Business logic correctness
- * Semantic and functional consistency
- * Emergency mechanism
- * Economic and incentive impact

1.3.2 Additional Recommendation

- * Gas optimization
- * Code quality and style



Note *The previous checkpoints are the main ones. We may use more checkpoints during the auditing process according to the functionality of the project.*

1.4 Security Model

To evaluate the risk, we follow the standards or suggestions that are widely adopted by both industry and academy, including OWASP Risk Rating Methodology ³ and Common Weakness Enumeration ⁴. The overall *severity* of the risk is determined by *likelihood* and *impact*. Specifically, likelihood is used to estimate how likely a particular vulnerability can be uncovered and exploited by an attacker, while impact is used to measure the consequences of a successful exploit.

In this report, both likelihood and impact are categorized into two ratings, i.e., *high* and *low* respectively, and their combinations are shown in Table 1.1.

Accordingly, the severity measured in this report are classified into three categories: **High**, **Medium**, **Low**. For the sake of completeness, **Undetermined** is also used to cover circumstances when the risk cannot be well determined.

Furthermore, the status of a discovered item will fall into one of the following five categories:

- **Undetermined** No response yet.
- **Acknowledged** The item has been received by the client, but not confirmed yet.
- **Confirmed** The item has been recognized by the client, but not fixed yet.

³https://owasp.org/www-community/OWASP_Risk_Rating_Methodology

⁴<https://cwe.mitre.org/>

Table 1.1: Vulnerability Severity Classification

Impact	<i>High</i>	High	Medium
	<i>Low</i>	Medium	Low
		<i>High</i>	<i>Low</i>
		Likelihood	

- **Partially Fixed** The item has been confirmed and partially fixed by the client.
- **Fixed** The item has been confirmed and fixed by the client.

Chapter 2 Findings

In total, we found **nine** potential security issues. Besides, we have **eight** recommendations and **fourteen** notes.

- Medium Risk: 4
- Low Risk: 5
- Recommendation: 8
- Note: 14

ID	Severity	Description	Category	Status
1	Medium	Incorrect accounting when reverting partially claimed intervals	Security Issue	Fixed
2	Medium	Incorrect reversal due to insufficient L1 interval state	Security Issue	Fixed
3	Medium	Replay of stale Guardian rotation proofs	Security Issue	Fixed
4	Medium	Lack of workload status check	Security Issue	Fixed
5	Low	Lack of check on duplicate enclave addresses	Security Issue	Fixed
6	Low	Circumvention of static PCR policy	Security Issue	Fixed
7	Low	Lack of freshness validation for DCAP ZK proofs	Security Issue	Fixed
8	Low	Lack of check on debug requirements	Security Issue	Fixed
9	Low	Front-running of base image and workload registration	Security Issue	Fixed
10	-	Align the documentation with the current implementation	Recommendation	Fixed
11	-	Add a maximum Workload Session TTL	Recommendation	Fixed
12	-	Prevent key reuse during session rotation	Recommendation	Fixed
13	-	Bind successor keys to owner authorization	Recommendation	Confirmed
14	-	Add RSA exponent validation	Recommendation	Fixed
15	-	Flush removed Guardian reward tokens	Recommendation	Fixed
16	-	Add zero-address checks for immutable dependencies	Recommendation	Confirmed
17	-	Add explicit Guardian action domains	Recommendation	Confirmed
18	-	Verify the workload before allowlist operations	Note	-
19	-	Atomic upgrade for <code>PufferDepositorV2</code> initialization	Note	-
20	-	Session lifecycle does not preserve workload continuity	Note	-

21	-	DCAP verifier integration assumes a zero-fee backend	Note	-
22	-	Workload base-image lists are identifier policies	Note	-
23	-	Guardian enclave key is reused for encryption and signing	Note	-
24	-	Potential centralization risks	Note	-
25	-	Trust assumptions of enclave keys	Note	-
26	-	Session and enclave keys must not be exportable	Note	-
27	-	Monitor VT balances to prevent blocked withdrawals	Note	-
28	-	Check the base image status separately	Note	-
29	-	Migration requirements in the upgrade script	Note	-
30	-	Assumption of vTPM Migration	Note	-
31	-	Trust assumption of GCP TEE-to-vTPM binding	Note	-

The details are provided in the following sections.

2.1 Security Issue

2.1.1 Incorrect accounting when reverting partially claimed intervals

Severity Medium

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `L2RewardManager`, the function `_isClaimingLocked()` derives an interval's lock status using the current global `claimingDelay` rather than an interval-specific unlock time. Once the `claimingDelay` is increased, the interval can be frozen and reverted.

When function `_revertInterval()` is invoked, it returns the interval's original reward amount to L1 and deletes the interval status. If any rewards from that interval have already been claimed, those prior claims are not accounted for when calculating the amount returned to L1. As rewards across intervals are held in a shared balance rather than in interval-specific reserves, the rollback can consume assets backing later intervals, while deletion of the interval status prevents users from claiming its remaining rewards.

```

85         if (_isClaimingLocked(claimOrders[i].intervalId)) {
86             // If timeBridged is 0, the interval has been reverted (permanently locked)
87             uint256 lockedUntil = epochRecord.timeBridged == 0 ? 0 : epochRecord.timeBridged +
                $.claimingDelay;
88         }

```

```

89         revert ClaimingLocked({
90             intervalId: claimOrders[i].intervalId,
91             account: claimOrders[i].account,
92             lockedUntil: lockedUntil
93         });
94     }
95
96     // Alice may run many Puffer validators in the same interval 'totalETHEarned = sum(
97         aliceValidators)'
98     // The leaf is: keccak256(abi.encode(AliceAddress, isL1Contract, totalETHEarned))
99     bytes32 leaf = keccak256(
100         bytes.concat(
101             keccak256(abi.encode(claimOrders[i].account, claimOrders[i].isL1Contract,
102                 claimOrders[i].amount))
103         ));
104     if (!MerkleProof.verifyCalldata(claimOrders[i].merkleProof, epochRecord.rewardRoot,
105         leaf)) {
106         revert InvalidProof();
107     }
108
109     // Mark it claimed and transfer the tokens
110     $.claimedRewards[claimOrders[i].intervalId][claimOrders[i].account] = true;
111
112     uint256 amountToTransfer = (claimOrders[i].amount * epochRecord.ethToPufETHRate) / 1
113         ether;
114
115     recipient = recipient == address(0) ? claimOrders[i].account : recipient;
116
117     // if the custom claimer is set, then transfer the tokens to the set claimer
118     // First we transfer any remaining xPufETH in this contract to the recipient
119     uint256 xPufETHBalance = IERC20(xPufETH).balanceOf(address(this));
120     if (xPufETHBalance > 0) {
121         if (xPufETHBalance >= amountToTransfer) {
122             IERC20(xPufETH).safeTransfer(recipient, amountToTransfer);
123         } else {
124             IERC20(xPufETH).safeTransfer(recipient, xPufETHBalance);
125             IERC20($.pufETHOFT).safeTransfer(recipient, amountToTransfer - xPufETHBalance);
126         }
127     } else {
128         IERC20($.pufETHOFT).safeTransfer(recipient, amountToTransfer);
129     }

```

Listing 2.1: puffer - contracts - updates - private/l2 - contracts/src/L2RewardManager.sol

```

356     if (newDelay > 72 hours) {
357         revert InvalidDelayPeriod();
358     }
359     RewardManagerStorage storage $ = _getRewardManagerStorage();
360
361     emit ClaimingDelayChanged({ oldDelay: $.claimingDelay, newDelay: newDelay });
362     $.claimingDelay = newDelay;
363 }
364

```

```
365 function _isClaimingLocked(bytes32 intervalId) internal view returns (bool) {
366     RewardManagerStorage storage $ = _getRewardManagerStorage();
367
368     uint256 timeBridged = $.epochRecords[intervalId].timeBridged;
369
370     // If the timeBridged is 0, the interval is either reverted, or has not been bridged yet
371     // we consider that the claiming is locked in both cases
372     if (timeBridged == 0) {
373         return true;
374     }
375
376     return block.timestamp < timeBridged + $.claimingDelay;
377 }
378
379 function _freezeClaimingForInterval(uint256 startEpoch, uint256 endEpoch) internal {
380     RewardManagerStorage storage $ = _getRewardManagerStorage();
381
382     bytes32 intervalId = getIntervalId(startEpoch, endEpoch);
383
384     // Revert if the claiming is not locked
385     if (!_isClaimingLocked(intervalId)) {
386         revert UnableToFreezeInterval();
387     }
388
389     // revert for non-existing interval
390     if ($.epochRecords[intervalId].rewardRoot == bytes32(0)) {
391         revert UnableToFreezeInterval();
392     }
393
394     // To freeze the claiming, we set the timeBridged to 0
395     $.epochRecords[intervalId].timeBridged = 0;
```

Listing 2.2: puffer - contracts - updates - private/l2 - contracts/src/L2RewardManager.sol

```
403 function _revertInterval(uint256 startEpoch, uint256 endEpoch) internal {
404     RewardManagerStorage storage $ = _getRewardManagerStorage();
405
406     bytes32 intervalId = getIntervalId(startEpoch, endEpoch);
407
408     EpochRecord memory epochRecord = $.epochRecords[intervalId];
409
410     // We only want to revert the frozen intervals, if the interval is not frozen, we revert
411     if (epochRecord.timeBridged != 0 && epochRecord.rewardRoot != bytes32(0)) {
412         revert UnableToRevertInterval();
413     }
414
415     if (epochRecord.rewardRoot == bytes32(0)) {
416         revert UnableToRevertInterval();
417     }
418
419     // Delete the epoch record before to minimize re-entrancy
420     delete $.epochRecords[intervalId];
421 }
```

```

422     // We bridge the pufETH back to the L1
423     // We don't need to approve since the oft is itself the pufETH token
424     IPufETH($.pufETHOFT).send{ value: msg.value }(
425         IOFT.SendParam({
426             dstEid: $.destinationEID,
427             to: bytes32(uint256(uint160(L1_REWARD_MANAGER))),
428             amountLD: epochRecord.pufETHAmount,
429             minAmountLD: 0,

```

Listing 2.3: puffer - contracts - updates - private/l2 - contracts/src/L2RewardManager.sol

Impact Remaining rewards may become unclaimable, and later reward intervals may be blocked due to insufficient funds.

Suggestion Store an interval-specific unlock time and remaining liability, and prevent full rollback after any claim.

Feedback from the project A new `claimableAt` field is introduced to fix the issue. However, intervals created before the upgrade may experience the same issue during the maximum 72-hour delay window. To mitigate this risk, the project will schedule the upgrade outside the reward distribution window, ensuring that no pre-upgrade intervals remain subject to changes in the global delay.

2.1.2 Incorrect reversal due to insufficient L1 interval state

Severity Medium

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `L1RewardManager`, rewards can be minted every 20 hours while the L2 claim delay can be configured up to 72 hours, allowing several intervals to remain locked and reversible simultaneously. However, contract `L1RewardManager` tracks only `lastIntervalEndEpoch` and `currentIntervalEndEpoch`. When the function `lzCompose()` receives a reversal for an interval, it sets `currentIntervalEndEpoch` back to `lastIntervalEndEpoch` without checking whether the reverted interval is the latest pending interval.

As a result, reverting an older interval can inadvertently revert the latest interval (i.e., `lastIntervalEndEpoch`) on L1, even though the latest interval remains active on L2, which is incorrect.

```

352     function _setClaimingDelay(uint256 newDelay) internal {
353         if (newDelay < 6 hours) {
354             revert InvalidDelayPeriod();
355         }
356         if (newDelay > 72 hours) {
357             revert InvalidDelayPeriod();
358         }
359         RewardManagerStorage storage $ = _getRewardManagerStorage();
360
361         emit ClaimingDelayChanged({ oldDelay: $.claimingDelay, newDelay: newDelay });
362         $.claimingDelay = newDelay;
363     }

```

Listing 2.4: puffer - contracts - updates - private/l2 - contracts/src/L2RewardManager.sol

```
113     if (($.lastRewardMintTimestamp + $.allowedRewardMintFrequency) > block.timestamp) {
114         revert NotAllowedMintFrequency();
115     }
116
117     // Update lastIntervalEndEpoch to the previous currentIntervalEndEpoch
118     $.lastIntervalEndEpoch = $.currentIntervalEndEpoch;
119
120     // Check that startEpoch is greater than the last processed end epoch
121     if (params.startEpoch <= $.lastIntervalEndEpoch) {
122         revert InvalidStartEpoch();
123     }
124
125     // Update current interval end epoch
126     $.currentIntervalEndEpoch = params.endEpoch;
127
128     // Update the last mint timestamp
129     $.lastRewardMintTimestamp = uint48(block.timestamp);
```

Listing 2.5: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/L1RewardManager.sol

```
205     // We decode the actual message to get the amount of shares(pufETH) and the ETH amount.
206     L2RewardManagerStorage.EpochRecord memory epochRecord =
207         abi.decode(actualMessage, (L2RewardManagerStorage.EpochRecord));
208
209     // This contract has already received the pufETH from pufETHAdapter after bridging back to
210     // L1
211     // The PufferVault will burn the pufETH from this contract and subtract the ETH amount from
212     // the ethRewardsAmount
213     PUFFER_VAULT.revertMintRewards({ pufETHAmount: epochRecord.pufETHAmount, ethAmount:
214         epochRecord.ethAmount });
215
216     // When reverted, set current end epoch back to last end epoch
217     RewardManagerStorage storage $ = _getRewardManagerStorage();
218     $.currentIntervalEndEpoch = $.lastIntervalEndEpoch;
```

Listing 2.6: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/L1RewardManager.sol

```
317     bytes32 intervalId = getIntervalId(params.startEpoch, params.endEpoch);
318
319     $.epochRecords[intervalId] = EpochRecord({
320         ethToPufETHRate: params.ethToPufETHRate,
321         startEpoch: uint104(params.startEpoch),
322         endEpoch: uint104(params.endEpoch),
323         timeBridged: uint48(block.timestamp),
324         rewardRoot: params.rewardsRoot,
325         pufETHAmount: uint128(amount),
326         ethAmount: uint128(params.rewardsAmount)
327     });
```

Listing 2.7: puffer - contracts - updates - private/l2 - contracts/src/L2RewardManager.sol

Impact The reward accounting and interval records can become incorrect.

Suggestion Track pending intervals on L1, or allow only the latest interval to be reverted.

2.1.3 Replay of stale Guardian rotation proofs

Severity Medium

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract [GuardianModule](#), the function [rotateGuardianKey\(\)](#) accepts a valid Session proof from any relayer and only checks whether the committed [blockNumber](#) is within [FRESHNESS_BLOCKS](#). However, the function does not use a nonce or record consumed proofs. A valid proof can therefore be replayed during the freshness window to restore an old guardian enclave key. If the restored key is unavailable or compromised, the rollback may reduce quorum availability or restore a compromised signer to the active signer set.

```
367 function rotateGuardianKey(uint256 blockNumber, bytes calldata pubKey, GuardianSessionProof
    calldata proof)
368     external
369 {
370     // The ownerKey is provided by the operator during TEE workload deployment (via atakit
        deploy --owner-private-key).
371     // The CVM agent binds the ownerKey to the session, so a valid session signature attests
        that the message originated from the operator.
372     require(proof.ownerKey.typeId == ALGO_ID_ES256K, InvalidECSAPubKey());
373     require(proof.ownerKey.key.length == _ECDSA_KEY_LENGTH, InvalidECSAPubKey());
374
375     address guardian = address(uint160(uint256(keccak256(proof.ownerKey.key[1:]))));
376
377     if (!_guardians.contains(guardian)) {
378         revert Unauthorized();
379     }
380
381     if (pubKey.length != _ECDSA_KEY_LENGTH) {
382         revert InvalidECSAPubKey();
383     }
384
385     if ((block.number - blockNumber) > FRESHNESS_BLOCKS) {
386         revert StaleEvidence();
387     }
388
389     // Since rotateGuardianKey is called infrequently, blockNumber-based freshness is used for
        replay protection instead of a nonce.
390     bytes32 signedMessageHash =
391         keccak256(abi.encode("ROTATE_GUARDIAN_KEY", address(this), block.chainid, blockNumber,
            pubKey));
392     bool isValid = SESSION_REGISTRY.verifySessionSignature(
393         proof.sessionId, proof.sessionKey, signedMessageHash, proof.signature
394     );
395     if (!isValid) {
396         revert InvalidSignature();
```

```
397     }
398
399     bytes32 ownerFingerprint = SESSION_REGISTRY.getSessionOwner(proof.sessionId);
400     require(ownerFingerprint == LibKey.computeKeyFingerprint(proof.ownerKey),
401             InvalidECDSAPubKey());
402
403     CVMSession memory session = SESSION_REGISTRY.getSession(proof.sessionId);
404     require(_allowedWorkloads[session.workloadId], WorkloadNotAllowed());
405
406     // pubKey[1:] means we need to strip the first byte '0x' if we want to get the correct
407     // address
408     address computedAddress = address(uint160(uint256(keccak256(pubKey[1:]))));
409
410     _guardianEnclaves[guardian].enclaveAddress = computedAddress;
411     _guardianEnclaves[guardian].enclavePubKey = pubKey;
412
413     emit RotatedGuardianKey(guardian, computedAddress, pubKey);
```

Listing 2.8: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol

Impact Guardian signer state can be rolled back, potentially reducing quorum availability or restoring a compromised signer within the proof's validity window.

Suggestion Bind a nonce and the old key to each proof, and consume the nonce on success.

Feedback from the project The project fixes this issue by tracking the last block number a guardian successfully rotated at, and requiring the new session proof to commit to a strictly higher block number.

2.1.4 Lack of workload status check

Severity Medium

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In contract [GuardianModule](#), function [validateGuardiansEnclaveSignatures\(\)](#) validates signatures against the stored enclave addresses. However, the function does not check whether their associated workloads remain allowed in the mapping [_allowedWorkloads](#). The mapping is checked only when the function [rotateGuardianKey\(\)](#) registers an enclave key. Updating this mapping does not invalidate existing enclave addresses. As a result, enclave keys from disallowed workloads remain valid.

```
283     function setAllowedWorkload(bytes32 workloadId, bool allowed) external restricted {
284         require(workloadId != bytes32(0), WorkloadNotAllowed());
285         _allowedWorkloads[workloadId] = allowed;
286         emit WorkloadAllowanceChanged(workloadId, allowed);
287     }
```

Listing 2.9: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol

```
263     function validateGuardiansEnclaveSignatures(bytes[] calldata enclaveSignatures, bytes32
264         signedMessageHash)
```

```

264     public
265     view
266     returns (bool)
267     {
268         return _validateSignatures(getGuardiansEnclaveAddresses(), enclaveSignatures,
                                   signedMessageHash);
269     }

```

Listing 2.10: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol

Impact Enclaves from revoked workloads can continue participating in Guardian authorization.

Suggestion Associate each guardian enclave key with its workload or session and verify its current status during signature validation.

Feedback from the project The project confirms that the workload allowlist is intentionally enforced only during enclave key registration to avoid immediate quorum loss when retiring a workload. The project adds the DAO-only function `revokeGuardianEnclave()` to invalidate a guardian's affected enclave key without changing guardian membership. The guardian's enclave signatures will no longer count toward the threshold until it rotates onto an allowed workload.

2.1.5 Lack of check on duplicate enclave addresses

Severity Low

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `GuardianModule`, the function `rotateGuardianKey()` associates a guardian with an enclave signing address authorized by a valid session proof. However, the function does not prevent multiple guardians from registering the same enclave address. Consequently, a single enclave key may represent multiple guardians and produce signatures that count toward multiple positions in the guardian set, reducing the number of distinct enclave keys required to satisfy the threshold.

```

367     function rotateGuardianKey(uint256 blockNumber, bytes calldata pubKey, GuardianSessionProof
        calldata proof)
368     external
369     {
370         // The ownerKey is provided by the operator during TEE workload deployment (via atakit
            deploy --owner-private-key).
371         // The CVM agent binds the ownerKey to the session, so a valid session signature attests
            that the message originated from the operator.
372         require(proof.ownerKey.typeId == ALGO_ID_ES256K, InvalidECDSAPubKey());
373         require(proof.ownerKey.key.length == _ECDSA_KEY_LENGTH, InvalidECDSAPubKey());
374
375         address guardian = address(uint160(uint256(keccak256(proof.ownerKey.key[1:]))));
376
377         if (!_guardians.contains(guardian)) {
378             revert Unauthorized();

```

```
379     }
380
381     if (pubKey.length != _ECDSA_KEY_LENGTH) {
382         revert InvalidECDSAPubKey();
383     }
384
385     if ((block.number - blockNumber) > FRESHNESS_BLOCKS) {
386         revert StaleEvidence();
387     }
388
389     // Since rotateGuardianKey is called infrequently, blockNumber-based freshness is used for
390     // replay protection instead of a nonce.
391     bytes32 signedMessageHash =
392         keccak256(abi.encode("ROTATE_GUARDIAN_KEY", address(this), block.chainid, blockNumber,
393             pubKey));
394     bool isValid = SESSION_REGISTRY.verifySessionSignature(
395         proof.sessionId, proof.sessionKey, signedMessageHash, proof.signature
396     );
397     if (!isValid) {
398         revert InvalidSignature();
399     }
400     bytes32 ownerFingerprint = SESSION_REGISTRY.getSessionOwner(proof.sessionId);
401     require(ownerFingerprint == LibKey.computeKeyFingerprint(proof.ownerKey),
402         InvalidECDSAPubKey());
403
404     CVMSession memory session = SESSION_REGISTRY.getSession(proof.sessionId);
405     require(_allowedWorkloads[session.workloadId], WorkloadNotAllowed());
406
407     // pubKey[1:] means we need to strip the first byte '0x' if we want to get the correct
408     // address
409     address computedAddress = address(uint160(uint256(keccak256(pubKey[1:]))));
410
411     _guardianEnclaves[guardian].enclaveAddress = computedAddress;
412     _guardianEnclaves[guardian].enclavePubKey = pubKey;
413
414     emit RotatedGuardianKey(guardian, computedAddress, pubKey);
415 }
```

Listing 2.11: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol

```
263 function validateGuardiansEnclaveSignatures(bytes[] calldata enclaveSignatures, bytes32
264     signedMessageHash)
265 public
266 view
267 returns (bool)
268 {
269     return _validateSignatures(getGuardiansEnclaveAddresses(), enclaveSignatures,
270         signedMessageHash);
271 }
```

Listing 2.12: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol

```

431 function getGuardiansEnclaveAddresses() public view returns (address[] memory) {
432     uint256 guardiansLength = _guardians.length();
433     address[] memory enclaveAddresses = new address[](guardiansLength);
434
435     for (uint256 i; i < guardiansLength; ++i) {
436         // If the guardian doesn't have an enclave address, we use '0xdead' address
437         // The reason for this is that we use .tryRecover in signature verification, and a
            valid signature can be crafted to recover to address(0)
438         address enclaveAddress = _guardianEnclaves[_guardians.at(i)].enclaveAddress == address
            (0)
439             ? address(0x000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000000dEaD)
440             : _guardianEnclaves[_guardians.at(i)].enclaveAddress;
441         enclaveAddresses[i] = enclaveAddress;
442     }
443
444     return enclaveAddresses;
445 }
```

Listing 2.13: `puffer-contracts-updates-private/mainnet-contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol`

```

526     function _validateSignatures(address[] memory signers, bytes[] calldata signatures, bytes32
        signedMessageHash)
527         internal
528         view
529         returns (bool)
530     {
531         uint256 validSignatures;
532
533         // We only count signature as valid if it's from the correct signer
534         for (uint256 i; i < signers.length; ++i) {
535             (address currentSigner, ECDSA.RecoverError recoverError,) =
536                 ECDSA.tryRecover(signedMessageHash, signatures[i]);
537             if (recoverError == ECDSA.RecoverError.NoError) {
538                 if (currentSigner == signers[i]) {
539                     ++validSignatures;
540                 }
541             }
542         }
543
544         return validSignatures < _threshold ? false : true;
545     }
546 }

```

Listing 2.14: `puffer-contracts-updates-private/mainnet-contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol`

Impact Guardian enclave threshold can be met with fewer unique enclave keys than intended.

Suggestion Reject duplicate enclave addresses.

2.1.6 Circumvention of static PCR policy

Severity Low

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description The TPM attestation library permits a zero `PcrValue.value` when event log hashes are present. In this case, the library reconstructs the PCR from the event log and uses the reconstructed value to validate the quote digest. However, contract `TpmVerifier` returns the original caller-supplied PCR array without replacing the zero sentinel with the reconstructed PCR. Function `SessionRegistry._evaluateSinglePcr()` then evaluates a `STATIC` policy against this returned PCR. Consequently, a non-zero PCR derived from the event log can therefore satisfy a `STATIC` policy whose expected value is zero.

```
126      // Check PCR measurements (library emits events, reverts on failure)
127      (bool pcrSuccess,) = tpmAttestation.checkPcrMeasurements(quoteReport.tpm2bAttest,
128                                                                quoteReport.pcrValues);
129
130      if (!pcrSuccess) {
131          revert TpmQuotePcrCheckFailed(quoteReport.pcrValues.length);
132      }
133
134      return TpmQuoteVerificationResult({valid: true, pcrValues: quoteReport.pcrValues});
```

Listing 2.15: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/bases/TpmVerifier.sol

```
1438 function _evaluateSinglePcr(PcrSpec memory spec, PcrValue memory measured) internal pure {
1439     if (spec.verifyType == PcrVerifyType.STATIC) {
1440         uint256 matchDataLength = spec.matchData.length;
1441         if (matchDataLength != 1) {
1442             revert InvalidStaticMatchDataLength(spec.pcrIndex, matchDataLength);
1443         }
1444         // STATIC: exact value match
1445         if (measured.value != spec.matchData[0]) {
1446             revert PCRStaticMismatch(spec.pcrIndex, measured.value, spec.matchData[0]);
1447         }
1448     }
1449 }
```

Listing 2.16: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/SessionRegistry.sol

```
1033 TpmQuoteVerificationResult memory quoteResult =
1034     verifyTpmQuote(tpmQuoteReport, akPub, abi.encodePacked(expectedExtraData));
```

Listing 2.17: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/SessionRegistry.sol

Impact An environment with a non-zero measured PCR may be accepted despite violating the configured `STATIC` policy.

Suggestion Return the normalized PCR values used for Quote verification, or require each submitted PCR value to equal the value recomputed from its event log.

2.1.7 Lack of freshness validation for DCAP ZK proofs

Severity Low

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description The DCAP ZK journal binds a proof timestamp together with the verified attestation output. However, `IDcapAttestation.verifyAndAttestWithZKProof()` returns only the verified output, and `TeeVerifier._verifyIntelTdx()` does not receive or validate the proof timestamp. Consequently, contract `SessionRegistry` cannot reject future or stale ZK proofs before their output is used to create a Session. If a quote can be proven against a historical time at which now-expired or outdated collateral was valid, evidence that fails current collateral or TCB checks may still be admitted.

```

45  /// @notice Verifies a DCAP attestation using a pre-generated ZK proof
46  /// @param output The verification output/public inputs from the ZK circuit execution,
47  ///             containing the attestation claims to be verified
48  /// @param zkCoproprocessor The type of ZK coprocessor that generated the proof,
49  ///             determining which verifier contract to use
50  /// @param proofBytes The serialized ZK proof bytes in the format expected by
51  ///             the corresponding verifier (RiscZero or Succinct)
52  /// @return success True if the ZK proof is valid and the attestation passes, false otherwise
53  /// @return verifiedOutput The verified attestation output after proof validation,
54  ///             containing the same claims as the input output if verification succeeds
55  function verifyAndAttestWithZKProof(
56      bytes calldata output,
57      ZkCoproprocessorType zkCoproprocessor,
58      bytes calldata proofBytes
59  ) external payable returns (bool success, bytes memory verifiedOutput);

```

Listing

2.18:

automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/interfaces/external/IDcapAttestation.sol

```

502  function _verifyIntelTdx(TeeReport memory teeReport) private returns (TeeVerificationResult
503      memory result) {
504      bool success;
505      bytes memory output;
506
507      if (teeReport.verificationBackendType == VerificationBackendType.Solidity) {
508          // Direct on-chain verification
509          (success, output) = dcapAttestation.verifyAndAttestOnChain(teeReport.data);
510      } else {
511          // ZK proof verification
512          ZkProof memory zkProof = abi.decode(teeReport.data, (ZkProof));
513
514          // Cast backend type to ZK coprocessor type (ordinals align after reordering)
515          IDcapAttestation.ZkCoproprocessorType zkType =
516              IDcapAttestation.ZkCoproprocessorType(uint8(teeReport.verificationBackendType));
517
518          (success, output) = dcapAttestation.verifyAndAttestWithZKProof(zkProof.output, zkType,
519              zkProof.proofBytes);
520      }
521
522      // Surface DCAP failure with the verifier's raw output so off-chain decoders
523      // can pick out the specific reason (was silently swallowed before).
524      if (!success) {
525          revert DcapVerificationFailed(output);
526      }
527  }

```

```

525
526     if (output.length <= DCAP_TCB_STATUS_OFFSET) {
527         revert TeeReportTooShort(output.length, DCAP_TCB_STATUS_OFFSET + 1);
528     }
529     uint8 tcbStatus = uint8(output[DCAP_TCB_STATUS_OFFSET]);
530     if (
531         tcbStatus > TCB_STATUS_RELAUNCH_ADVISED_CONFIGURATION_NEEDED
532         || (tcbStatus > TCB_STATUS_OUT_OF_DATE_CONFIGURATION_NEEDED && tcbStatus <
533             TCB_STATUS_RELAUNCH_ADVISED)
534     ) {
535         revert DcapTcbStatusNotAccepted(tcbStatus);
536     }
537     uint256 tcbStatusBit = uint256(1) << tcbStatus;
538     bytes memory quoteBody = extractDcapQuoteBody(output);
539     bool debugEnabled = _validateTdxReport(quoteBody);
540     uint256 enabledTeeAttributes = debugEnabled ? TEE_ATTRIBUTE_INTEL_TDX_DEBUG_BIT : 0;
541
542     return TeeVerificationResult({
543         valid: true,
544         reportData: quoteBody,
545         teeType: TEEType.IntelTDX,

```

Listing 2.19: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/TeeVerifier.sol

```

605     PolicyContext memory policyCtx = _lookupPolicy(workloadId, baseImageId, platformProfileId,
606         measurementVariantId);
607     result.attestation = _verifyAttestation(
608         evidence,
609         ownerFingerprint,
610         policyCtx.platformProfile.attributes,
611         policyCtx.variant.attributes,
612         policyCtx.workloadSpec.requirements
613     );
614     result.sessionId =
615         _computeSessionId(result.attestation.tpmSignatureHash, teeVerifier.getTeeReportHash(
616             evidence.teeReport));
617     if (_sessions[result.sessionId].exists) revert SessionAlreadyExists();

```

Listing 2.20: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/SessionRegistry.sol

Impact TDX evidence that fails current collateral or TCB checks may create a new active Session.

Suggestion Return the proof-bound timestamp to [TeeVerifier](#), reject future timestamps, and enforce a maximum proof age consistent with the Solidity backend.

Feedback from the project The project clarifies that the underlying DCAP verifier validates collateral freshness for the Solidity backend. For the ZK backend, it exposes the proof-committed timestamp on-chain and adds explicit freshness checks.

2.1.8 Lack of check on debug requirements

Severity Low

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In contract `GuardianModule`, function `setAllowedWorkload()` only checks that the `workloadId` is not zero before adding it to the local allowlist. However, the function does not verify the workload's debug requirement. In the contract `WorkloadRegistry`, function `_validateRequirements()` permits the debug requirement `[false, true]`. If an allowed base image profile or variant declares debug as `true`, function `_verifyBooleanAttribute()` of contract `AmdSnpSecurityPolicyRegistry` accepts a debug-enabled TEE report. Consequently, contract `GuardianModule` may authorize a debug-enabled session because it does not independently require debug mode to be disabled.

```

280     * @inheritdoc IGuardianModule
281     * @dev Restricted to the DAO
282     */
283     function setAllowedWorkload(bytes32 workloadId, bool allowed) external restricted {
284         require(workloadId != bytes32(0), WorkloadNotAllowed());
285         _allowedWorkloads[workloadId] = allowed;
286         emit WorkloadAllowanceChanged(workloadId, allowed);
287     }

```

Listing 2.21: `puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol`

```

350         key == TEE_ATTRIBUTE_INTEL_TDX_DEBUG || key == TEE_ATTRIBUTE_AMD_SEV_SNP_DEBUG
351         || key == TEE_ATTRIBUTE_AMD_SEV_SNP_MIGRATE_MA
352     ) {
353         bytes32[] calldata allowedValues = requirements[i].allowedValues;
354         uint256 allowedLen = allowedValues.length;
355         if (allowedLen != 1 && allowedLen != 2) {
356             revert InvalidTeeAttributeRequirementLength(key, allowedLen);
357         }
358         if (allowedValues[0] != bytes32(0)) {
359             revert InvalidTeeAttributeRequirementValue(key, allowedValues[0]);
360         }
361         if (allowedLen == 2 && allowedValues[1] != TEE_ATTRIBUTE_TRUE) {
362             revert InvalidTeeAttributeRequirementValue(key, allowedValues[1]);
363         }

```

Listing 2.22: `automata - tee - workload - measurement/src/WorkloadRegistry.sol`

Impact Debug-enabled sessions may be authorized as guardians, weakening TEE security.

Suggestion Only allow workloads that require debug to be `false`, or reject debug-enabled sessions in the guardian authorization path.

2.1.9 Front-running of base image and workload registration

Severity Low

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In contract `BaseImageRegistry`, function `registerBaseImage()` derives the identifier `baseImageId` only from the corresponding name and version. When registration is public, an attacker can front-run the intended base image registration using the same name and version. The same issue exists for function `registerWorkload()` in contract `WorkloadRegistry`.

Additionally, function `registerWorkload()` stores each supplied `baseImageId` without verification, potentially allowing an attacker-controlled base image policy.

```
156 // Populate base image set
157 for (uint256 i = 0; i < spec.baseImageIds.length; i++) {
158     _baseImageSet[workloadId][spec.baseImageIds[i]] = true;
159 }
```

Listing 2.23: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/WorkloadRegistry.sol

```
129 workloadId = keccak256(abi.encode(WORKLOAD_DOMAIN, spec.name, spec.version));
```

Listing 2.24: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/WorkloadRegistry.sol

```
167 baseImageId = keccak256(abi.encode(BASEIMAGE_DOMAIN, spec.name, spec.version));
```

Listing 2.25: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/BaseImageRegistry.sol

Impact The base image and workload can be registered publicly when contracts are un-paused, allowing an unexpected base image to be bound to the workload.

Suggestion Verify that each `baseImageId` exists before adding it to a `workload`, and compute the fingerprint of the publisher of the base image or workload.

2.2 Recommendation

2.2.1 Align the documentation with the current implementation

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description The current documents contain several inconsistencies with the implementation.

1. Interface `IGuardianModule` describes `setAllowedWorkload()` as setting a Workload allowance. However, the implementation controls eligibility for later `rotateGuardianKey()` calls and does not revoke the cached `enclaveAddress`.
2. Interface `IPufferDepositorV2` describes `rescueAnything()` as an admin operation frozen with the vault target. However, the implementation uses `AccessManager` authorization on the depositor target, and the access setup does not assign the `rescueAnything()` selector.
3. Contract `WorkloadRegistry` describes an empty `WHITELIST` as a valid deny-all configuration. However, `registerWorkload()` reverts with `EmptyBaseImageWhitelist`.
4. In the contract `ProofSubmitter`, the contract-level `NatSpec` title is expected to identify the `EigenPod` proof submission wrapper. However, the title still says `PUFFER Token`, although the contract is an `EigenPod` proof submission wrapper for the `operations paymaster`. This does not affect runtime behavior but makes documentation and indexing less clear.

It is recommended to align the affected interfaces, documentation, and AccessManager deployment configuration with the implemented authority, lifecycle, and input rules.

```

130  /**
131   * @notice Set allowed workloads for guardians
132   * @dev Workload policies are managed in WorkloadRegistry
133   * @param workloadId Id of the workload
134   * @param allowed Bool indicating whether the workload is allowed or not
135   */
136   function setAllowedWorkload(bytes32 workloadId, bool allowed) external;

```

Listing

2.26:

puffer-contracts-updates-private/mainnet-contracts/src/interface/IGuardianModule.sol

```

82   function _getPublicSelectorsForDepositor(address pufferDepositorProxy) internal pure returns (
      bytes memory) {
83       // PufferDepositor public selectors
84       bytes4[] memory publicSelectorsDepositor = new bytes4[](2);
85       publicSelectorsDepositor[0] = PufferDepositorV2.depositStETH.selector;
86       publicSelectorsDepositor[1] = PufferDepositorV2.depositWstETH.selector;
87
88       return abi.encodeWithSelector(
89           AccessManager.setTargetFunctionRole.selector, pufferDepositorProxy,
90           publicSelectorsDepositor, PUBLIC_ROLE
91       );

```

Listing

2.27:

puffer-contracts-updates-private/mainnet-

contracts/script/GenerateAccessManagerCallData.sol

```

120     // An empty whitelist denies every base image, so isBaseImageAllowed always returns false
121     // and no session can ever reference this workload. Registration is one-shot: the spec is
122     // immutable and the name/version pair remains claimed after deactivation, so the mistake
123     // is unrecoverable under that identifier. Reject it rather than record it.
124     if (spec.baseImageMode == AccessMode.WHITELIST && spec.baseImageIds.length == 0) {
125         revert EmptyBaseImageWhitelist();

```

Listing 2.28: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/WorkloadRegistry.sol

```

8 * @title PUFFER Token
9 * @author Puffer Finance
10 * @dev This contract limits the functions from IEigenPod that can be called by the operations
      paymaster. It is intended to be used as a "proof submitter" for EigenPods,
11 *     allowing the operations paymaster to submit proofs on behalf of the pod owner.
12 *     This prevents the proof submitter to call other more critical functions like '
      requestWithdrawal()'.
13 * @custom:security-contact security@puffer.fi
14 */
15 contract ProofSubmitter is AccessManaged {

```

Listing 2.29: puffer-contracts-updates-private/mainnet-contracts/src/ProofSubmitter.sol

Suggestion Update the affected interfaces and documentation, and configure deployment permissions consistently with the implementation.

2.2.2 Add a maximum Workload Session TTL

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description The function `registerWorkload()` accepts any `sessionTtl` and stores the Workload specification as immutable registration data. The function `SessionRegistry._prepareFullSession()` adds this configured TTL to `uint64(block.timestamp)` when preparing a full Session. A TTL greater than the remaining `uint64` timestamp range causes Session registration, renewal, and recovery to revert, while the Workload name and version remain claimed and the specification cannot be corrected. It is recommended to enforce a product-defined maximum TTL during Workload registration.

```

128     // Compute workload ID
129     workloadId = keccak256(abi.encode(WORKLOAD_DOMAIN, spec.name, spec.version));
130
131     // Check for duplicate
132     if (_workloads[workloadId].exists) {
133         revert WorkloadAlreadyExists(workloadId);
134     }
135
136     // Compute owner fingerprint after duplicate check
137     bytes32 ownerFingerprint = LibKey.computeKeyFingerprint(ownerIdentity);
138
139     // Check whitelist if paused
140     _checkRegistrationAllowed(ownerFingerprint);
141
142     // Build signed message (operation-specific domain, no msg.sender, raw params)
143     bytes32 message = sha256(abi.encode(WORKLOAD_REGISTER_MSG, block.chainid, address(this),
144                                         opExpiresAt, spec));
145
146     // Verify signature
147     if (!signatureVerifier.verify(ownerIdentity, message, ownerSignature)) {
148         revert InvalidSignature(message, ownerFingerprint);
149     }
150
151     // Store workload
152     _workloads[workloadId].exists = true;
153     _workloads[workloadId].isRevoked = false;
154     _workloads[workloadId].owner = ownerFingerprint;
155     _workloads[workloadId].workloadSpec = spec;

```

Listing 2.30: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/WorkloadRegistry.sol

```

632     result.sessionExpiresAt = policyCtx.workloadSpec.sessionTtl == 0
633         ? uint64(block.timestamp) + DEFAULT_CVM_TTL
634         : uint64(block.timestamp) + policyCtx.workloadSpec.sessionTtl;

```

Listing 2.31: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/SessionRegistry.sol

Suggestion Reject `sessionTtl` values above the supported maximum with a dedicated error and document the allowed range.

2.2.3 Prevent key reuse during session rotation

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In contract [SessionRegistry](#), the function `rotateKey()` allows a successor session to reuse the predecessor's TPM signing key and session key. The function `_createSession()` revokes the predecessor and clears its session-key fingerprint before updating the reverse mapping, so the same keys can be registered again. It is recommended to require successor keys to differ from the predecessor's keys and to retain historical fingerprints if key reuse must be prohibited.

```

807  function _finalizeRotation(
808      bytes32 oldSessionId,
809      bytes32 newSessionId,
810      bytes32 newTpmSigningKeyFingerprint,
811      bytes32 sessionKeyFingerprint,
812      PublicIdentity memory newTpmSigningKey,
813      RotationContext memory ctx,
814      uint64 opExpiresAt,
815      PublicIdentity calldata ownerIdentity,
816      bytes calldata ownerSignature,
817      PublicIdentity calldata akPub,
818      PublicIdentity calldata sessionKey
819  ) private {
820      _requireNotExpired(opExpiresAt);
821
822      bytes32 message = sha256(
823          abi.encode(SESSION_ROTATE_KEY_MSG, block.chainid, address(this), opExpiresAt,
824              oldSessionId, newSessionId)
825      );
826      _requireSignature(ownerIdentity, message, ownerSignature);
827
828      _sessions[oldSessionId].isRevoked = true;
829      _clearSessionFingerprint(oldSessionId, _sessions[oldSessionId].session.
830          sessionKeyFingerprint);
831      emit SessionRevoked(oldSessionId, ctx.ownerFingerprint);
832
833      _createSession(
834          SessionParams({
835              sessionId: newSessionId,
836              ownerFingerprint: ctx.ownerFingerprint,
837              akPubKeyFingerprint: _sessions[oldSessionId].session.akPubKeyFingerprint,
838              tpmSigningKeyFingerprint: newTpmSigningKeyFingerprint,
839              sessionKeyFingerprint: sessionKeyFingerprint,
840              baseImageId: ctx.baseImageId,
841              workloadId: ctx.workloadId,
842              platformProfileId: ctx.platformProfileId,
843              measurementVariantId: ctx.measurementVariantId,
844              sessionExpiresAt: ctx.sessionExpiresAt
845          })
846      );

```

Listing 2.32: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/SessionRegistry.sol

Suggestion Reject rotations that reuse the predecessor's TPM signing key or session key. Preserve tombstones for retired fingerprints if the protocol requires one-time key usage.

2.2.4 Bind successor keys to owner authorization

Status Confirmed

Introduced by Version 1

Description In contract `SessionRegistry`, function `_finalizeRotation()` verifies the owner's signature over only `oldSessionId` and `newSessionId`. Function `_verifyRotationAuthorization()` separately checks the successor TPM signing-key and session-key fingerprints using the old TPM signing key. However, function `_computeSessionId()` derives `newSessionId` only from the TPM quote signature hash and `teeReportBytesHash`. A party controlling the old TPM credentials can therefore keep the signed quote and TEE report hash unchanged while replacing the successor keys without invalidating the owner's signature. It is recommended to bind both successor key fingerprints to the owner-signed rotation message.

```
822     bytes32 message = sha256(
823         abi.encode(SESSION_ROTATE_KEY_MSG, block.chainid, address(this), opExpiresAt,
824             oldSessionId, newSessionId)
825     );
825     _requireSignature(ownerIdentity, message, ownerSignature);
```

Listing 2.33: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/SessionRegistry.sol

Suggestion Include the successor TPM signing-key fingerprint and session-key fingerprint in the owner-signed rotation message.

2.2.5 Add RSA exponent validation

Status Fixed in Version 2

Introduced by Version 1

Description In the contract `SignatureVerifier`, function `verify()` dispatches `ALGO_ID_RS256` identities to function `_verifyRsa()`. Function `_verifyRsa()` passes the DER-encoded exponent `e` directly to function `RSA.pkcs1Sha256()` without validating its value. The OpenZeppelin implementation checks only the modulus and signature lengths and whether `s < n` before performing modular exponentiation. When `e = 1`, modular exponentiation becomes an identity operation, allowing an attacker to construct a valid PKCS#1 encoded signature without a private key. It is recommended to validate the RSA public exponent before signature verification.

```
57     function _verifyRsa(bytes calldata key, bytes32 message, bytes calldata signature)
58         internal
59         view
60         returns (bool valid)
61     {
```

```

62 // Copy key from calldata to memory (Asn1Decode requires memory)
63 bytes memory keyMem = key;
64
65 // Parse DER structure: SEQUENCE { n, e }
66 uint256 rootPtr = keyMem.root();
67 uint256 nPtr = keyMem.firstChildOf(rootPtr);
68 uint256 ePtr = keyMem.nextSiblingOf(nPtr);
69
70 // Extract modulus (n) and exponent (e) as bytes
71 bytes memory n = keyMem.uintBytesAt(nPtr);
72 bytes memory e = keyMem.uintBytesAt(ePtr);
73
74 // Copy signature from calldata to memory (OZ RSA requires memory)
75 bytes memory sigMem = signature;
76
77 // Verify using OpenZeppelin RSA library
78 return RSA.pkcs1Sha256(message, sigMem, e, n);
79 }

```

Listing 2.34: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/SignatureVerifier.sol

```

34 function verify(PublicIdentity calldata identity, bytes32 message, bytes calldata signature)
35     external
36     view
37     returns (bool valid)
38 {
39     uint8 typeId = identity.typeId;
40
41     if (typeId == ALGO_ID_RS256) {
42         return _verifyRsa(identity.key, message, signature);
43     } else if (typeId == ALGO_ID_ES256) {
44         return _verifyP256(identity.key, message, signature);
45     } else if (typeId == ALGO_ID_ES256K) {
46         return _verifySecp256k1(identity.key, message, signature);
47     } else {
48         revert UnsupportedAlgorithm(typeId);
49     }
50 }

```

Listing 2.35: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/SignatureVerifier.sol

Suggestion Require function `_verifyRsa()` to accept only the standard exponent `65537`. Apply the same validation when registering or allowlisting RSA identities.

2.2.6 Flush removed Guardian reward tokens

Status Fixed in [Version 2](#)

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `GuardianModule`, function `removeAllowedToken()` removes a token without distributing the existing balance to guardians via function `splitGuardianFunds()`. A removed token balance can remain in the contract until governance re-adds the token or uses another recovery path.

```
144     // ERC20 tokens
145     uint256 allowedTokensLength = _allowedTokens.length();
146     for (uint256 i = 0; i < allowedTokensLength; ++i) {
147         address token = _allowedTokens.at(i);
148         uint256 tokenBalance = IERC20(token).balanceOf(address(this));
149         uint256 tokenAmountPerGuardian = tokenBalance / numGuardians;
150         for (uint256 j = 0; j < numGuardians; ++j) {
151             // slither-disable-start reentrancy-unlimited-gas
152             // slither-disable-next-line calls-loop
153             IERC20(token).safeTransfer(guardians[j], tokenAmountPerGuardian);
154             // slither-disable-end reentrancy-unlimited-gas
155         }
156     }
157 }
158
159 /**
160  * @inheritdoc IGuardianModule
161  */
162 function validateSkipProvisioning(bytes32 moduleName, uint256 skippedIndex, bytes[] calldata
    eoaSignatures)
163     external
164     view
165 {
166     bytes32 signedMessageHash =
167         LibGuardianMessages._getSkipProvisioningMessage(address(this), moduleName, skippedIndex
            );
168
169     // Check the signatures
170     bool validSignatures =
171         validateGuardiansEOASignatures({ eoaSignatures: eoaSignatures, signedMessageHash:
            signedMessageHash });
172
173     if (!validSignatures) {
174         revert Unauthorized();
175     }
```

Listing 2.36: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol

```
330 function removeAllowedToken(address token) external restricted {
331     if (token == address(0)) {
332         revert InvalidAddress();
333     }
334     bool success = _allowedTokens.remove(token);
335     if (!success) {
336         revert InvalidAddress();
337     }
338
339     emit AllowedTokenRemoved(token);
340 }
```

Listing 2.37: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol

Suggestion Flush the token balance before removal.

2.2.7 Add zero-address checks for immutable dependencies

Status Confirmed

Introduced by Version 1

Description In the contracts [SessionRegistry](#), [WorkloadRegistry](#), [BaseImageRegistry](#), and [TeeVerifier](#), the constructors are expected to set immutable dependencies used for [session](#) registration, [attestation](#) verification, [policy](#) lookup, and signature verification. Several immutable dependencies are accepted at deployment and then used without a zero-address check. A zero or incorrect dependency address would make the affected registry path unusable.

```
252     constructor(  
253         ITeeVerifier teeVerifier_,  
254         ITpmAttestation tpmAttestation_,  
255         ISignatureVerifier signatureVerifier_,  
256         IAKCollateralVerifier akCollateralVerifier_,  
257         IBaseImageRegistry baseImageRegistry_,  
258         IWorkloadRegistry workloadRegistry_,  
259         IAmSnpSecurityPolicyRegistry amdSnpSecurityPolicyRegistry_  
260     ) TpmBase(tpmAttestation_) {  
261         teeVerifier = teeVerifier_;  
262         signatureVerifier = signatureVerifier_;  
263         akCollateralVerifier = akCollateralVerifier_;  
264         baseImageRegistry = baseImageRegistry_;  
265         workloadRegistry = workloadRegistry_;  
266         amdSnpSecurityPolicyRegistry = amdSnpSecurityPolicyRegistry_;  
267         _disableInitializers();  
268     }
```

Listing 2.38: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/SessionRegistry.sol

```
88     constructor(ISignatureVerifier _signatureVerifier) {  
89         signatureVerifier = _signatureVerifier;  
90         _disableInitializers();  
91     }
```

Listing 2.39: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/WorkloadRegistry.sol

```
116     constructor(ISignatureVerifier _signatureVerifier) {  
117         signatureVerifier = _signatureVerifier;  
118         _disableInitializers();  
119     }
```

Listing 2.40: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/BaseImageRegistry.sol

```
218     constructor(IDcapAttestation _dcapAttestation, ISnpAttestation _snpAttestation) {  
219         dcapAttestation = _dcapAttestation;  
220         snpAttestation = _snpAttestation;  
221     }
```

Listing 2.41: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/TeeVerifier.sol

Suggestion Validate immutable dependency addresses in constructors.

2.2.8 Add explicit Guardian action domains

Status Confirmed

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the library `LibGuardianMessages`, the functions `_getBeaconDepositMessageToBeSigned()`, `_getSkipProvisioningMessage()`, `_getHandleBatchWithdrawalMessage()`, and `_getSetNumberOfValidatorsMessage()` are expected to define replay-resistant `Guardian` action messages. The current messages do not include an explicit action-specific domain for deposit approval, skip provisioning, batch withdrawal, or validator count updates. There is no practical collision under the current naming convention. However, a changed naming convention in future could make the parameter domains overlap and allow guardian approvals intended for one operation to be replayed as approvals for the other.

```

26  function _getBeaconDepositMessageToBeSigned(
27      address verifyingContract,
28      uint256 pufferModuleIndex,
29      bytes memory pubKey,
30      bytes memory signature,
31      bytes memory withdrawalCredentials,
32      bytes32 depositDataRoot
33  ) internal view returns (bytes32) {
34      return keccak256(
35          abi.encode(
36              verifyingContract,
37              block.chainid,
38              pufferModuleIndex,
39              pubKey,
40              withdrawalCredentials,
41              signature,
42              depositDataRoot
43          )
44      ).toEthSignedMessageHash();
45  }
46
47  /**
48   * @notice Returns the message to be signed for skip provisioning
49   * @param verifyingContract is the address of the contract that will verify the signature
50   * @param moduleName is the name of the module
51   * @param index is the index of the skipped validator
52   * @return the message to be signed
53   */
54  function _getSkipProvisioningMessage(address verifyingContract, bytes32 moduleName, uint256
      index)
55      internal
56      view
57      returns (bytes32)
58  {
59      // All guardians use the same nonce
60      return keccak256(abi.encode(verifyingContract, block.chainid, moduleName, index)).
          toEthSignedMessageHash();
61  }

```

```

62
63 /**
64  * @notice Returns the message to be signed for handling the batch withdrawal
65  * @param verifyingContract is the address of the contract that will verify the signature
66  * @param validatorInfos is an array of validator information
67  * @return the message to be signed
68  */
69 function _getHandleBatchWithdrawalMessage(address verifyingContract, StoppedValidatorInfo[]
    memory validatorInfos)
70     internal
71     view
72     returns (bytes32)
73 {
74     return keccak256(abi.encode(verifyingContract, block.chainid, validatorInfos)).
        toEthSignedMessageHash();
75 }
76
77 /**
78  * @notice Returns the message to be signed updating the number of validators
79  * @param verifyingContract is the address of the contract that will verify the signature
80  * @param numberOfValidators is the new number of validators
81  * @param epochNumber is the epoch number
82  * @return the message to be signed
83  */
84 function _getSetNumberOfValidatorsMessage(
85     address verifyingContract,
86     uint256 numberOfValidators,
87     uint256 epochNumber
88 ) internal view returns (bytes32) {
89     return keccak256(abi.encode(verifyingContract, block.chainid, numberOfValidators,
        epochNumber))
90         .toEthSignedMessageHash();
91 }
92}

```

Listing

2.42:

puffer-contracts-updates-private/mainnet-contracts/src/LibGuardianMessages.sol

Suggestion Add a fixed domain constant as the first encoded field for each Guardian action message.

2.3 Note

2.3.1 Verify the workload before allowlist operations

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description When the workload registry opens registration to the public, any party can register a workload. Contract [GuardianModule](#) determines whether a session originates from an allowed workload solely by checking the [workloadId](#). It does not revalidate the workload owner or its TEE policy. The design is secure only if the DAO adds a [workloadId](#) to the allowlist after

the corresponding workload has been registered and its owner, debug policy, and other security configurations have been reviewed. The DAO should not pre-approve a `workloadId` for a workload that has not yet been registered or reviewed. The review should also account for variant attribute overrides. In the contract `BaseImageRegistry`, the function `addPlatformVariants()` allows new measurement variants to share keys with existing profile attributes. Meanwhile, the function `_effectiveAttribute()` determines the effective TEE attribute by checking the variant attributes, the profile attributes, and the default value in that order. A variant can therefore widen policy within what the base image owner publishes and what each workload explicitly permits. The DAO should account for this property when reviewing workloads.

2.3.2 Atomic upgrade for PufferDepositorV2 initialization

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In contract `PufferDepositorV2`, the implementation constructor invokes function `_disableInitializers()`. The proxy exposes the function `initialize()` as a public entrance without caller authorization. Function `initialize()` transfers 0.201 pufETH from the `PufferDepositorV2` contract to the hardcoded `_PUFFER` address. The deployment is safe only when the proxy upgrade and function `initialize()` call execute atomically through function `upgradeToAndCall()` with `abi.encodeCall(PufferDepositorV2.initialize, ())`. Otherwise, any account can consume version 2 initialization before the intended migration.

```

40     PUFFER_VAULT = pufferVault;
41     _ST_ETH = stETH;
42     _disableInitializers();
43 }
44
45 /**
46  * @notice Returns the pufETH sent to this contract by mistake
47  */
48 // noremgrep tin-unprotected-initialize
49 function initialize() public reinitializer(2) {
50     // https://etherscan.io/token/0xd9a442856c234a39a81a089c06451ebaa4306a72?a=0
51     // slither-disable-next-line unchecked-transfer
52     PUFFER_VAULT.transfer(_PUFFER, 0.201 ether);
53 }

```

Listing

2.43:

puffer-contracts-updates-private/mainnet-contracts/src/PufferDepositorV2.sol

Feedback from the project The project will invoke the initialization in the same transaction as the upgrade.

2.3.3 Session lifecycle does not preserve workload continuity

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `SessionRegistry`, the function `renewSession()` and the function `recoverSession()` are expected to create successor sessions from a predecessor. The successor evidence is evaluated with caller-supplied `workload`, `base image`, `platform profile`,

and `measurement variant` identifiers. A successor session should therefore be authorized by its current session fields rather than by assuming continuity from the predecessor.

```
359 function rotateKey(  
360     bytes32 oldSessionId,  
361     bytes32 teeReportBytesHash,  
362     SessionKeyRotationEvidence calldata rotationEvidence,  
363     uint64 opExpiresAt,  
364     PublicIdentity calldata ownerIdentity,  
365     bytes calldata ownerSignature  
366 ) external returns (bytes32 newSessionId) {  
367     return _rotateKey(  
368         oldSessionId, teeReportBytesHash, rotationEvidence, opExpiresAt, ownerIdentity,  
369         ownerSignature  
370     );  
371 }  
372 /// @inheritdoc ISessionRegistry  
373 function renewSession(  
374     bytes32 oldSessionId,  
375     AttestationEvidence calldata newEvidence,  
376     bytes32 workloadId,  
377     bytes32 baseImageId,  
378     bytes32 platformProfileId,  
379     bytes32 measurementVariantId,  
380     SessionRenewalAuthorization calldata renewalAuthorization,  
381     uint64 opExpiresAt,  
382     PublicIdentity calldata ownerIdentity,  
383     bytes calldata ownerSignature  
384 ) external returns (bytes32 newSessionId) {  
385     _requireNotExpired(opExpiresAt);  
386     CVMSessionStorage storage predecessor = _sessions[oldSessionId];  
387     if (!predecessor.exists) revert SessionNotFound();  
388     if (!_isSessionActive(predecessor)) revert SessionNotActive();  
389  
390     bytes32 ownerFingerprint = _requireFingerprint(ownerIdentity, predecessor.owner);  
391     _requireFingerprint(renewalAuthorization.oldTpmSigningKey, predecessor.session.  
392         tpmSigningKeyFingerprint);  
393  
394     FullSessionResult memory result = _prepareFullSession(  
395         newEvidence, workloadId, baseImageId, platformProfileId, measurementVariantId,  
396         ownerFingerprint  
397     );  
398     newSessionId = result.sessionId;  
399  
400     bytes32 evidenceHash = keccak256(abi.encode(newEvidence));  
401     bytes32 renewalMessage = keccak256(  
402         abi.encode(SESSION_RENEW_DOMAIN, block.chainid, address(this), oldSessionId,  
403             newSessionId, evidenceHash)  
404     );  
405     _requireSignature(renewalAuthorization.oldTpmSigningKey, renewalMessage,  
406         renewalAuthorization.signature);  
407     _requireLifecycleOwnerSignature(  
408         ownerIdentity, ownerSignature, renewalMessage,  
409         renewalAuthorization.signature,  
410         newSessionId, evidenceHash  
411     );  
412 }
```

```
404     SESSION_RENEW_MSG,
405     oldSessionId,
406     newSessionId,
407     workloadId,
408     baseImageId,
409     platformProfileId,
410     measurementVariantId,
411     result.sessionKeyFingerprint,
412     opExpiresAt,
413     ownerIdentity,
414     ownerSignature
415 );
416
417 predecessor.isRevoked = true;
418 _clearSessionFingerprint(oldSessionId, predecessor.session.sessionKeyFingerprint);
419 emit SessionRevoked(oldSessionId, ownerFingerprint);
420 _finalizeFullSession(
421     result, workloadId, baseImageId, platformProfileId, measurementVariantId, newEvidence.
        sessionKey
422 );
423 emit SessionRenewed(oldSessionId, newSessionId, ownerFingerprint);
424 }
425
426 /// @inheritdoc ISessionRegistry
427 function recoverSession(
428     bytes32 oldSessionId,
429     AttestationEvidence calldata newEvidence,
430     bytes32 workloadId,
431     bytes32 baseImageId,
432     bytes32 platformProfileId,
433     bytes32 measurementVariantId,
434     uint64 opExpiresAt,
435     PublicIdentity calldata ownerIdentity,
436     bytes calldata ownerSignature
437 ) external returns (bytes32 newSessionId) {
438     _requireNotExpired(opExpiresAt);
439     CVMSessionStorage storage predecessor = _sessions[oldSessionId];
440     if (!predecessor.exists) revert SessionNotFound();
441     // A recovery consumes its predecessor by revoking it, so an already-revoked predecessor
442     // cannot authorize a second one. This makes recovery single-use per predecessor without
443     // a dedicated flag. It costs the caller nothing: recovery is registerSession plus
444     // revokeSession, so an owner whose predecessor is already revoked has nothing left to
445     // revoke and simply calls registerSession. Checked before _prepareFullSession so a
446     // repeat attempt fails cheaply.
447     if (predecessor.isRevoked) revert SessionAlreadyRevoked();
448     bytes32 ownerFingerprint = _requireFingerprint(ownerIdentity, predecessor.owner);
449
450     FullSessionResult memory result = _prepareFullSession(
451         newEvidence, workloadId, baseImageId, platformProfileId, measurementVariantId,
        ownerFingerprint
452     );
453     newSessionId = result.sessionId;
454     _requireLifecycleOwnerSignature(
```

```

455     SESSION_RECOVER_MSG,
456     oldSessionId,
457     newSessionId,
458     workloadId,
459     baseImageId,
460     platformProfileId,
461     measurementVariantId,
462     result.sessionKeyFingerprint,
463     opExpiresAt,
464     ownerIdentity,
465     ownerSignature
466 );
467
468 predecessor.isRevoked = true;
469 _clearSessionFingerprint(oldSessionId, predecessor.session.sessionKeyFingerprint);
470 emit SessionRevoked(oldSessionId, ownerFingerprint);
471 _finalizeFullSession(
472     result, workloadId, baseImageId, platformProfileId, measurementVariantId, newEvidence.
        sessionKey
473 );
474 emit SessionRecovered(oldSessionId, newSessionId, ownerFingerprint);
475 }

```

Listing 2.44: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/SessionRegistry.sol

2.3.4 DCAP verifier integration assumes a zero-fee backend

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `TeeVerifier`, the function `_verifyIntelTdx()` is expected to invoke the configured DCAP verifier for Intel TDX reports. The implementation invokes functions `verifyAndAttestOnChain()` and `verifyAndAttestWithZKProof()` without forwarding `msg.value`. Deployments therefore assume these verifier functions can be used without caller-funded fees, and a paid verifier backend would require a contract change or a fee-handling wrapper.

```

502 function _verifyIntelTdx(TeeReport memory teeReport) private returns (TeeVerificationResult
    memory result) {
503     bool success;
504     bytes memory output;
505
506     if (teeReport.verificationBackendType == VerificationBackendType.Solidity) {
507         // Direct on-chain verification
508         (success, output) = dcapAttestation.verifyAndAttestOnChain(teeReport.data);

```

Listing 2.45: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/TeeVerifier.sol

```

19 /**
20  * @notice full on-chain verification for an attestation
21  * @dev must further specify the structure of inputs/outputs, to be serialized and passed to
    this method
22  * @param input - serialized raw input as defined by the project

```

```

23  * @return success - whether the quote has been successfully verified or not
24  * @return output - the output upon completion of verification. The output data may require
    post-processing by the
25  * consumer.
26  * For verification failures, the output is simply a UTF-8 encoded string, describing the
    reason for failure.
27  * @dev can directly type cast the failed output as a string
28  */
29  function verifyAndAttestOnChain(bytes calldata input) external payable returns (bool success,
    bytes memory output);

```

Listing

2.46:

automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/interfaces/external/IDcapAttestation.sol

Feedback from the project The project confirms that the DCAP verifier backend will remain zero-fee in future deployments, so not forwarding `msg.value` is acceptable.

2.3.5 Workload base-image lists are identifier policies

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `WorkloadRegistry`, the function `registerWorkload()` is expected to store workload-level `baseImageIds` policy. The function stores `baseImageIds` without checking whether the referenced base images already exist in the contract `BaseImageRegistry`. This supports pre-registration against deterministic IDs, but an incorrect ID can make later session policy lookup reject the intended base image until a matching base image exists.

```

106  function registerWorkload(
107      WorkloadSpec calldata spec,
108      uint64 opExpiresAt,
109      PublicIdentity calldata ownerIdentity,
110      bytes calldata ownerSignature
111  ) external returns (bytes32 workloadId) {
112      // Check signature expiration
113      if (block.timestamp > opExpiresAt) {
114          revert SignatureExpired(opExpiresAt, uint64(block.timestamp));
115      }
116
117      _validatePcrSpecsSorted(spec.pcrs);
118      _validateRequirements(spec.requirements);
119
120      // An empty whitelist denies every base image, so isBaseImageAllowed always returns false
121      // and no session can ever reference this workload. Registration is one-shot: the spec is
122      // immutable and the name/version pair remains claimed after deactivation, so the mistake
123      // is unrecoverable under that identifier. Reject it rather than record it.
124      if (spec.baseImageMode == AccessMode.WHITELIST && spec.baseImageIds.length == 0) {
125          revert EmptyBaseImageWhitelist();
126      }
127
128      // Compute workload ID
129      workloadId = keccak256(abi.encode(WORKLOAD_DOMAIN, spec.name, spec.version));
130
131      // Check for duplicate

```

```

132     if (_workloads[workloadId].exists) {
133         revert WorkloadAlreadyExists(workloadId);
134     }
135
136     // Compute owner fingerprint after duplicate check
137     bytes32 ownerFingerprint = LibKey.computeKeyFingerprint(ownerIdentity);
138
139     // Check whitelist if paused
140     _checkRegistrationAllowed(ownerFingerprint);
141
142     // Build signed message (operation-specific domain, no msg.sender, raw params)
143     bytes32 message = sha256(abi.encode(WORKLOAD_REGISTER_MSG, block.chainid, address(this),
144         opExpiresAt, spec));
145
146     // Verify signature
147     if (!signatureVerifier.verify(ownerIdentity, message, ownerSignature)) {
148         revert InvalidSignature(message, ownerFingerprint);
149     }
150
151     // Store workload
152     _workloads[workloadId].exists = true;
153     _workloads[workloadId].isRevoked = false;
154     _workloads[workloadId].owner = ownerFingerprint;
155     _workloads[workloadId].workloadSpec = spec;
156
157     // Populate base image set
158     for (uint256 i = 0; i < spec.baseImageIds.length; i++) {
159         _baseImageSet[workloadId][spec.baseImageIds[i]] = true;
160     }
161
162     emit WorkloadRegistered(workloadId, ownerFingerprint, spec.name, spec.version);
163 }

```

Listing 2.47: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/WorkloadRegistry.sol

Feedback from the project The project will derive `baseImageIds` in a workload spec using off-chain tooling, so an incorrect ID will not be registered in practice.

2.3.6 Guardian enclave key is reused for encryption and signing

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `GuardianModule`, the function `rotateGuardianKey()` is expected to establish the `Guardian enclave` key used by Puffer's custody flow. The same stored `secp256k1` public key is used as the enclave identity for Puffer message signing and as the recipient key for encrypted BLS share custody. This combines encryption and signing under one enclave key and should be treated as an explicit key-management assumption for the Guardian workload.

```

413
414  /**
415   * @inheritdoc IGuardianModule
416   */
417  function getEjectionThreshold() external view returns (uint256) {

```

```
418     return _ejectionThreshold;
419 }
420
421 /**
422  * @inheritdoc IGuardianModule
423  */
424 function getGuardiansEnclaveAddress(address guardian) external view returns (address) {
425     return _guardianEnclaves[guardian].enclaveAddress;
426 }
427
428 /**
429  * @inheritdoc IGuardianModule
430  */
431 function getGuardiansEnclaveAddresses() public view returns (address[] memory) {
432     uint256 guardiansLength = _guardians.length();
433     address[] memory enclaveAddresses = new address[](guardiansLength);
```

Listing 2.48: puffer-contracts-updates-private/mainnet-contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol

2.3.7 Potential centralization risks

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In this project, several privileged roles (e.g., [ROLE_ID_OPERATIONS_PAYMASTER](#), [ROLE_ID_OPERATIONS_MULTISIG](#), and [ROLE_ID_DAO](#)) can conduct sensitive operations, which introduces potential centralization risks. For example, these roles can control validator registration and provisioning, skipped provisioning, batch withdrawal handling, EigenLayer withdrawal queueing, proof submitter configuration, and [EigenPod](#) proof or checkpoint submission through contract [ProofSubmitter](#). The validator BLS share security model also relies on trusted NoOp key/share generation and Guardian enclave custody verification before Guardians sign provisioning approval. If the private keys of the privileged accounts are lost or maliciously exploited, it could pose a significant risk to the protocol.

Feedback from the project The project accepts this centralization trade-off and mitigates it through structural controls rather than reliance on any single key. Sensitive actions require multisig approval, while EOAs are limited to low-risk operations that would have minimal impact if compromised.

2.3.8 Trust assumptions of enclave keys

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In contract [GuardianModule](#), function [rotateGuardianKey\(\)](#) verifies signatures by active session key to ensure that only an attested TEE instance can set or rotate the enclave key.

However, the internal lifecycle management of the enclave key, including generation, sealing, access control, and hardware protection, falls outside the scope of this audit. We rely on the standard assumption that the underlying TEE guarantees the confidentiality and integrity of the key material, and our review does not assess those implementation details.

```

389      // Since rotateGuardianKey is called infrequently, blockNumber-based freshness is used for
      replay protection instead of a nonce.
390      bytes32 signedMessageHash =
391          keccak256(abi.encode("ROTATE_GUARDIAN_KEY", address(this), block.chainid, blockNumber,
      pubKey));
392      bool isValid = SESSION_REGISTRY.verifySessionSignature(
393          proof.sessionId, proof.sessionKey, signedMessageHash, proof.signature
394      );
395      if (!isValid) {
396          revert InvalidSignature();
397      }
398
399      bytes32 ownerFingerprint = SESSION_REGISTRY.getSessionOwner(proof.sessionId);
400      require(ownerFingerprint == LibKey.computeKeyFingerprint(proof.ownerKey),
      InvalidECPubKey());
401
402      CVMSession memory session = SESSION_REGISTRY.getSession(proof.sessionId);
403      require(_allowedWorkloads[session.workloadId], WorkloadNotAllowed());
404
405      // pubKey[1:] means we need to strip the first byte '0x' if we want to get the correct
      address
406      address computedAddress = address(uint160(uint256(keccak256(pubKey[1:]))));
407
408      _guardianEnclaves[guardian].enclaveAddress = computedAddress;
409      _guardianEnclaves[guardian].enclavePubKey = pubKey;

```

Listing 2.49: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/GuardianModule.sol

Feedback from the project The contracts enforce that an enclave key can only be registered from an attested, allowlisted workload, and treat the confidentiality of the key material inside that workload as a property of the TEE rather than something verifiable on-chain.

2.3.9 Session and enclave keys must not be exportable

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `GuardianModule`, the function `rotateGuardianKey()` registers an enclave key based on a session proof. However, the function does not check whether the session remains active. Therefore, the session key and the enclave key must be generated within the trusted domain and must not be exportable.

Feedback from the project The session key is generated and held inside the TEE (supervisor daemon uid=1), while the workload has no access to it. Meanwhile, the enclave key cannot be exported outside the TEE after registration.

2.3.10 Monitor VT balances to prevent blocked withdrawals

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `PufferProtocol`, the function `batchHandleWithdrawals()` is expected to process exited validators and burn the corresponding Node Operator's Validator

Tickets. The function `_getVTBurnAmount()` caps the early-exit minimum penalty branch to the operator's stored VT balance, while the time-based burn branch returns the accrued burn amount directly. Withdrawal batch processing therefore depends on the relevant node operator having sufficient stored VT balance. The protocol should monitor Node Operators' VT balances and eject their validators before those balances become insufficient to cover accrued burns.

```
323     uint256 vtBurnAmount = _getVTBurnAmount($, bondWithdrawals[i].node, validatorInfos[i]);
324
325     // Update the burnAmounts
326     burnAmounts.pufETH += burnAmount;
327     burnAmounts.vt += vtBurnAmount;
328
329     // Store the withdrawal amount for that node operator
330     // Underflow is not possible because of the checks in the '_getBondBurnAmount' function
331     // and the fact that we are capping the burn amount to the bond amount
332     // nosemgrep basic-arithmetic-underflow
333     bondWithdrawals[i].pufETHAmount = (bondAmount - burnAmount);
334
335     emit ValidatorExited({
336         pubKey: validator.pubKey,
337         pufferModuleIndex: validatorInfos[i].pufferModuleIndex,
338         moduleName: validatorInfos[i].moduleName,
339         pufETHBurnAmount: burnAmount,
340         vtBurnAmount: vtBurnAmount
341     });
342
343     // Decrease the number of registered validators for that module
344     _decreaseNumberOfRegisteredValidators($, validatorInfos[i].moduleName);
345     // Storage VT and the active validator count update for the Node Operator
346     // nosemgrep basic-arithmetic-underflow
347     $.nodeOperatorInfo[validator.node].vtBalance -= SafeCast.toUint96(vtBurnAmount);
348     --$.nodeOperatorInfo[validator.node].activeValidatorCount;
349
350     delete validator.node;
351     delete validator.bond;
352     delete validator.module;
353     delete validator.status;
354     delete validator.pubKey;
355 }
356
357 VALIDATOR_TICKET.burn(burnAmounts.vt);
```

Listing 2.50: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/PufferProtocol.sol

```
804 function _getVTBurnAmount(ProtocolStorage storage $, address node, StoppedValidatorInfo
805     calldata validatorInfo)
806     internal
807     view
808     returns (uint256)
809 {
810     uint256 validatedEpochs = validatorInfo.endEpoch - validatorInfo.startEpoch;
```

```
810 // Epoch has 32 blocks, each block is 12 seconds, we upscale to 18 decimals to get the VT
    amount and divide by 1 day
811 // The formula is validatedEpochs * 32 * 12 * 1 ether / 1 days
    (4444444444444444.44444444...) we round it up
812 uint256 vtBurnAmount = validatedEpochs * 4444444444444445;
813
814 uint256 minimumVTAmount = $.minimumVtAmount;
815 uint256 nodeVTBalance = $.nodeOperatorInfo[node].vtBalance;
816
817 // If the VT burn amount is less than the minimum VT amount that means that the node
    operator exited early
818 // If we don't penalize it, the node operator can exit early and re-register with the same
    VTs.
819 // By doing that, they can lower the APY for the pufETH holders
820 if (minimumVTAmount > vtBurnAmount) {
821     // Case when the node operator registered the validator but afterwards the DAO
        increases the minimum VT amount
822     if (nodeVTBalance < minimumVTAmount) {
823         return nodeVTBalance;
824     }
825
826     return minimumVTAmount;
827 }
828
829 return vtBurnAmount;
830 }
```

Listing 2.51: puffer - contracts - updates - private/mainnet - contracts/src/PufferProtocol.sol

Feedback from the project The project has implemented monitoring of VT balances.

2.3.11 Check the base image status separately

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In contract [BaseImageRegistry](#), function [deactivateBaseImage\(\)](#) can revoke a base image referenced by a workload's allowlist. However, the revocation does not remove the base image from the workload allowlist in contract [WorkloadRegistry](#), and function [isBaseImageAllowed\(\)](#) continues to return [true](#) for the revoked image. Therefore, integrators should query the contract [BaseImageRegistry](#) to verify that a base image remains active rather than relying solely on the workload allowlist.

```
255 function deactivateBaseImage(
256     bytes32 baseImageId,
257     uint64 opExpiresAt,
258     PublicIdentity calldata ownerIdentity,
259     bytes calldata ownerSignature
260 ) external {
261     // Check signature expiration
262     if (block.timestamp > opExpiresAt) {
263         revert SignatureExpired(opExpiresAt, uint64(block.timestamp));
264     }
265 }
```

```

266     // Check exists and active
267     if (!_baseImages[baseImageId].exists) {
268         revert BaseImageNotFound(baseImageId);
269     }
270     if (_baseImages[baseImageId].isRevoked) {
271         revert BaseImageNotActive(baseImageId);
272     }

```

Listing 2.52: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/BaseImageRegistry.sol

```

227     function isBaseImageAllowed(bytes32 workloadId, bytes32 baseImageId) external view returns (
228         bool) {
229         if (!_workloads[workloadId].exists) {
230             revert WorkloadNotFound(workloadId);
231         }
232         AccessMode mode = _workloads[workloadId].workloadSpec.baseImageMode;
233
234         if (mode == AccessMode.ANY) {
235             return true;
236         } else if (mode == AccessMode.WHITELIST) {
237             return _baseImageSet[workloadId][baseImageId];
238         } else {
239             // BLACKLIST
240             return !_baseImageSet[workloadId][baseImageId];
241         }
242     }

```

Listing 2.53: automata-tee-workload-measurement/src/WorkloadRegistry.sol

Feedback from the project The project confirms that session creation checks revocation separately, while function `isBaseImageAllowed()` reflects only the allowlist policy.

2.3.12 Migration requirements in the upgrade script

Introduced by Version 1

Description The production upgrade script should migrate the dependency on the contract `GuardianModule` and the selector-based configuration in the contract `AccessManager`. Specifically, the script should perform the following steps:

1. Deploy a new instance of the contract `GuardianModule` and pass `pufETH` to its constructor. Deploy new `ValidatorTicket` and `PufferProtocol` implementations with the new `GuardianModule` address, and verify their relevant immutable dependencies before executing each proxy upgrade.
2. In the governance batch that upgrades contract `PufferProtocol`, invoke the function `AccessManager.setValidatorKey()` to assign `PUBLIC_ROLE` to the updated selector of the function `registerValidatorKey()` in the contract `PufferProtocol`. The upgrade script should also verify every selector changed by the ABI update.

```

272     // If we are over the burst threshold, send everything to the treasury
273     if (PUFFER_ORACLE.isOverBurstThreshold()) {

```

```

274         IERC20(PUFFER_VAULT).transfer(TREASURY, pufEthUsed);
275         emit DispersedPufETH({ treasury: pufEthUsed, guardians: 0, burned: 0 });
276         return pufEthUsed;
277     }
278
279     ValidatorTicket storage $ = _getValidatorTicketStorage();
280
281     uint256 treasuryAmount = _sendPufETH(TREASURY, pufEthUsed, $.protocolFeeRate);
282     uint256 guardiansAmount = _sendPufETH(GUARDIAN_MODULE, pufEthUsed, $.guardiansFeeRate);
283     uint256 burnAmount = pufEthUsed - (treasuryAmount + guardiansAmount);
284
285     PufferVaultV5(PUFFER_VAULT).burn(burnAmount);
286
287     emit DispersedPufETH({ treasury: treasuryAmount, guardians: guardiansAmount, burned:
        burnAmount });

```

Listing 2.54: puffer-contracts-updates-private/mainnet-contracts/src/ValidatorTicket.sol

```

22     function run() public {
23         GenerateValidatorTicketCalldata calldataGenerator = new GenerateValidatorTicketCalldata();
24
25         vm.startBroadcast();
26
27         ValidatorTicket validatorTicketImpl = new ValidatorTicket({
28             guardianModule: payable(address(_getGuardianModule())),
29             treasury: payable(_getTreasury()),
30             pufferVault: payable(_getPufferVault()),
31             pufferOracle: IPufferOracle(address(_getPufferOracle()))
32         });
33
34         validatorTicket = ValidatorTicket(payable(_getValidatorTicket()));
35
36         vm.label(address(validatorTicket), "ValidatorTicketProxy");
37         vm.label(address(validatorTicketImpl), "ValidatorTicketImplementation");
38
39         // Upgrade on mainnet
40         upgradeCallData = abi.encodeCall(UUPSUpgradeable.upgradeToAndCall, (address(
            validatorTicketImpl), ""));

```

Listing 2.55: puffer-contracts-updates-private/mainnet-contracts/script/UpgradeValidatorTicket.s.sol

Feedback from the project The project states that the migration will redeploy or upgrade affected contracts, verify the `GUARDIAN_MODULE` binding, check selector changes, and migrate the required `AccessManager` roles.

2.3.13 Assumption of vTPM Migration

Introduced by Version 1

Description In the contract `SessionRegistry`, the function `rotateKey()` rotates the TPM signing key and session key of an active session, without verifying a new TEE report or checking the GCP PCR15 binding. This design assumes that the AK and TPM signing key cannot be

migrated or cloned to a CVM with a different TEE state. GCP confidential VM live migration can preserve vTPM keys and PCR values across a migration event. If the selected machine types support live migration ¹, a trusted session may be created without verifying the current TEE state.

Feedback from the project The project states that GCP and Azure vTPM keys are instance-bound, preventing their use on another machine under the original policy. This assumption will be revisited if future platforms support vTPM migration across measurements.

2.3.14 Trust assumption of GCP TEE-to-vTPM binding

Introduced by [Version 1](#)

Description In the contract `SessionRegistry`, the function `_verifyTeeAkBinding()` derives `expectedPcr15` from the TEE report and compares it with PCR15 from the TPM quote. For GCP TDX, function `_verifyGcpTdxBinding()` uses the UUID and checks `RTMR3`. For GCP SNP, the function `_verifyGcpSnpBinding()` uses `REPORT_ID`. This binding scheme is defined by the project, and PCR15 appears to be defined and extended by guest software. Therefore, the security of this binding depends on the correctness of the scheme and its implementation by the off-chain boot and attestation components.

Feedback from the project The project states that the purpose of this binding is to prove that the vTPM quote and the hardware-signed TEE report come from the same VM. For GCP TDX, the project's kernel module generates the UUID and places it in the TDX `REPORT_DATA`, `RTMR3`, and vTPM PCR15. The contract verifies the expected `RTMR3` and PCR15 values. For GCP SNP, the AMD PSP generates the `REPORT_ID` at guest launch. The boot component reads it from the SNP report and extends it into vTPM PCR15.

¹<https://docs.cloud.google.com/confidential-computing/confidential-vm/docs/troubleshoot-live-migration>

