

Distributed Systems & Blockchain in the News

- 12.10.2022: Everything We Know About the Mango Markets Hack [link]
 - Trading platform on Solana, trades perpetuals
 - 2 accounts with 5m collateral, one to short MNGO perp, one to long MNGO perp
 - Pump the price of MNGO by 2'400% with a few million USDC
 - Buy MNGO on the market → low liquidity
 - Long position account \$420m unrealized profits
 - Used as collateral for taking out loans on all coins on the Mango platform [link]
 - "Mango wasn't hacked, it worked exactly as intended" [link] - known issue? [link]

- What are Perpetual Contracts
 - Contract between two parties to sell or buy an asset at a fixed price without an execution date

• Example [link]

Long
trader

Perp Swap
1 BTC / 20k

Expects in future

Expects in future 1 BTC for 10k

Receive / pay funding rate every 8h

Deposit collateral, to secure funding (mult.)

Receive / pay funding rate every 8h

1 BTC for 30k

Deposit collateral, to secure funding (mult.)



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- 20.10.2022: The HTTP crash course nobody asked for [link]
 - Good introduction, examples in the beginning
- 20.10.2022: 4,400 disgruntled investors are hunting for Terra's Do Kwon [link]
 - Discord users try to track Do Kwon
 - · Best guess: Dubai
 - Interview 2:52 [link]
- 19.10.2022: Crypto hacks are set to hit all-time highs in 2022, analyst explains [link]
 - "This can't go on in the industry because people are going to lose faith in investing in DeFi platforms,"

- 19.10.2022: Bridge exploits account for ~50% of all DeFi exploits, totaling ~\$2.5B in lost assets [link]
 - Bridge: Use same asset on multiple chains
 - Lock funds on one chain, unlock on other
 - "It also appears that the vast majority of cross-change exploits that have happened thus far took place on Ethereum Virtual Machine (EVM) blockchains" [link]

