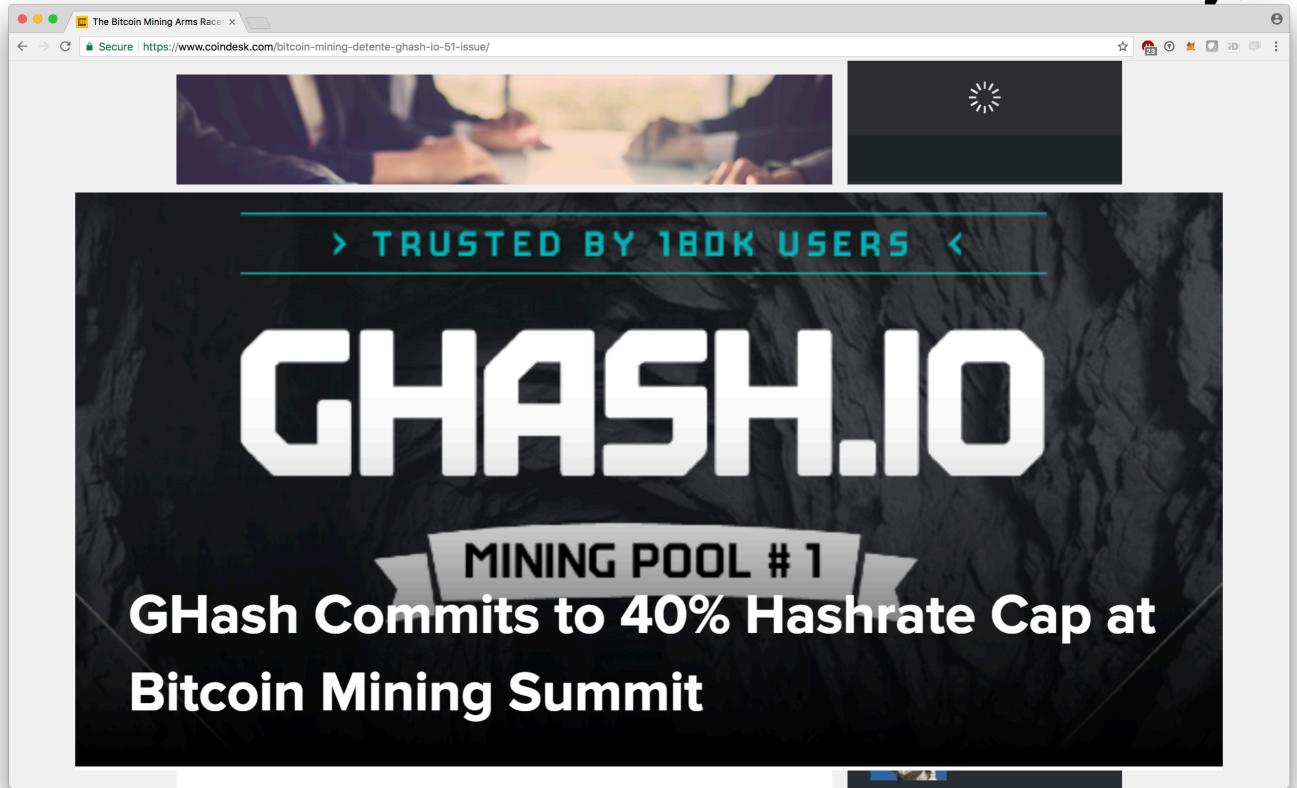


## **Mining Pools**





## **Mining Pools Danger**



- Influence which transactions enter the blockchain
- Inflate transaction fees/Ethereum gas price
- Collude with each other (to reach 51%, selfish mining)

## F2Pool Allegedly Prevented Users From Investing in Status ICO

https://themerkle.com/f2pool-allegedly-prevented-users-from-investing-in-status-ico/

## **Mining Pools Danger**



- Network layer attacks
- Political and Regulatory danger
- Pool operators are trusted to pay out reward
- Influence voting mechanisms (cf. SegWit)



