## What's Wrong with your Password?



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## Password and its Evolution

A password is a string of characters used to verify the identity of a user during the authentication process.


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## Zoom Bug Allowed Snoopers Crack Private Meeting Passwords in Minutes <br> - Jul 30, 2020 <br> Popular video conferencing app Zoom recently fixed a new security flaw that could have allowed potential attackers to crack the numeric passcode used t ...

- Zoom-bombing attacks refer to the act of disrupting and hijacking Zoom meetings uninvited to share obscene and racist content.
- Zoom began requiring a passcode for all meetings back in April as a preventive measure to combat this.
- An attacker to attempt all 1 million passwords in a matter of minutes and gain access to other people's private (password-protected) Zoom meetings.

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Temporary one-time password not enough, says Zerodha's Nithin Kamath on demat hacking
Zerodha will soon launch a feature that will not allow orders for options to be placed at abnormal prices, Nithin Kamath, founder and chief executive at the brokerage house
wrote in a Linkedln post.
23 Jul, 2022, 06:58 AM IST


Crypto firm Nansen issues data breach alert, asks users to reset password
Nansen said it managed to stop the unauthorised access shortly after learning about it and launched an immediate investigation.
25 Sep, 2023, 12:39 PM IST

## IOTW: Hacker allegedly hits both Uber and

Rockstar
A hacker has claimed they are responsible for hacking into both companies' servers

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| Rank | Password | Number of times used | Time Taken to crack |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 123456 | 4524867 |  |
| 2 | admin | 4008850 |  |
| 3 | 12345678 | 1371152 |  |
| 4 | 1234 | 969811 |  |
| 5 | password | 710321 |  |
| 6 | 123 | 528086 |  |
| 7 | Aa123456 | 319725 |  |
| 8 | 1234567890 | 302709 |  |



Username : admin
Password: admin
admin:password

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## Challenges with Web 2.0 Passwords

## 01 <br> Reuse Passwords

A user has account across 100
different application and it is
difficult for them to create 100
unique, difficult to guess
passwords


Use of common
passwords
Most users tend to utilize commonly used passwords including their personal information.

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Frustrating password policies

It is sometimes frustrating to meet the requirements of complex password olicies

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## How Passwords are Stored?



## Password Hash Salting



## Password Hashing Algorithms!

| MD5 | SHAT | SHA256 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | Argon2id

BRUTE
FORCE ATTACK

DICTIONARY ATTACK

HYBRID
ATTACK

CREDENTIAL STUFFING ATTACK

Common Password Cracking Techniques

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## Open Source Password Cracker Tools

- John the Ripper
- Statsprocessor
- Hashcat
- THC-Hydra
- CeWL


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## What's wrong with your password



Using the same password everywhere

Sharing passwords too freely


Having too short passwords


Never updating passwords

Using Personal Information


Lack of AWARENESS

## Password Managers



Password Managers will do anything and everything for your security

Create STRONG, UNIQUE passwords
for 100 sites and remember all of them.

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## Types of Password Managers - Pros and Cons

- Locally installed or offline password managers
- Web-based or online password managers


## OFFLINE PASSWORD MANAGER

Encrypted file


## Pros

$\checkmark$ Eliminates the risk that someone will breach your password vault
$\checkmark$ Usually, it's a free service

## Cons

- You can access your vault on only one device
- If you lose your device, you lose your vault


## ONLINE PASSWORD MANAGER



## Pros

You can sync your vault across all your devices$\checkmark$ Usually, it will be paid service

## Cons

- You'll need internet connectivity for authentication
- Your credentials are stored in an unknown location


## Popular Password Managers



## Not Using Password Managers yet?

You can start by checking the strength of your passwords.

## You made it to the last session!






## Provision



## Feedback!



