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# THE DILEMMA



#### Passwords:

#### **Problem Statement: Password Vulnerabilities**

- Weakness of Memorable Passwords: Easy-to-remember passwords are inherently weak, making them easy targets for attackers.
- Risk of Password Reuse: Users often reuse passwords across accounts, creating a single point of failure—compromising one account risks exposure across all.
- Impact on Sensitive Data: These habits enable unauthorized access to sensitive data, increasing the potential for data breaches and loss of control over personal or business information.





# **OUR FINDINGS**

#### **Cybersecurity Challenges in Emerging Technology**

- **Evolving Threat Landscape**: Quantum computing and AI amplify risks, with current protections (encryption, firewalls) expected to struggle against future threats.
- Key Vulnerabilities:
  - Brute Force Attacks: Account for 5% of breaches and may accelerate with quantum advancements.
  - Social Engineering: Contributes to 95% of successful intrusions; Al-powered deepfakes make detection harder.
- Limitations of MFA:
  - 78% of large companies use MFA, yet it has weak points:
    - User lockouts (e.g., changed contacts), privacy concerns with biometrics.
    - MFA fatigue can lead to compromised access.
- Future Solutions:
  - Minimize human error via automation (e.g., biometrics, behavior-based verification).
  - Quantum-resistant cryptography to counter new computational threats.



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## WHAT SOLUTIONS ALREADY EXIST

Biometric Identification Single Sign On



Mobile Authenticator









Physical Keys



# **Why Security Tools Fall Short**

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- Lack of Awareness: Many users are unaware of essential cybersecurity tools, such as password managers and multi-factor authentication.
- Knowledge, Not Availability: The challenge isn't the absence of security tools, but a lack of user knowledge and training on how to implement them effectively.
- Resulting Vulnerability: Without proper understanding, even available security measures go unused, leaving both personal and organizational data at increased risk.

# MY SOLUTION



HavelbeenPwned

Make a password





**FORTIFYNOW** 

PASSWORDS PASSWORDS

**BREACHES** 





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**Learn more** 

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**PAWNED** 



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**PASSWORD** 





Home

Notify me

Domain search

Who's been pwned

Passwords API

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# ';--have i been pwned?

Check if your email or phone is in a data breach

email or phone (international format)

pwned?



# Random Password Generater

@ulXb%AaK8vDH

Generate

Copy

# THE IMPORTANCE



## **PERSONA I**

## ETHEL A.



A 70-year-old retiree who uses the same password across multiple sites and has lost access to several accounts. She relies on a physical password book rather than digital tools.

#### **IDENTITY**



Ethel is older and isn't as technical so she carries around a password book and doesn't trust her passwords to be online but she often

#### **NEEDS**



Simple, memorable passwords and a way to create unique credentials for each site without the complexity of digital solutions

#### **BEHAVIORS**



Prefers physical records over digital tools, prioritizing security but wary of online storage solutions. Seeks a reliable and user-friendly way to enhance online security.

## PERSONA 2

## MIKE R.



A 35-YEAR-OLD WHO HAS USED THE SAME PASSWORD SINCE HE WAS 14, APPLYING IT UNIVERSALLY, INCLUDING FOR SENSITIVE ACCOUNTS LIKE BANKING. HE'S NEVER EXPERIENCED AN ISSUE WITH IT.

#### **IDENTITY**



Mike Ross uses the same password for everything and never had any issues with it. He made his password when he was 14 and uses it everywhere including his bank account

#### **NEEDS**



A simple, reliable way to maintain his current system without needing to change passwords or adopt new practices, unless absolutely necessary.

#### **BEHAVIORS**



Mike is an internet veteran, confident in his current approach, and sees no reason to change his long-standing password despite security risks.

# **PROBLEMS**

#### What if people don't listen?

Our goal is to plant the seeds of cybersecurity awareness. Even if users don't fortify their accounts immediately, we aim to leave a lasting impression, encouraging them to secure their accounts in the future.

# **AND**

# How will creating a password but not saving it benefit people?

While saving passwords online can create vulnerabilities, we encourage users to store passwords securely in physical password managers. For those who prefer digital methods, we will recommend safe and encrypted options to mitigate risks.

# **SOLUTIONS**

#### What problems do we solve?

We focus on education, not as a direct protection tool, but as a call to action. Our mission is to empower users with the knowledge to secure their accounts and protect their personal data.

# QUESTIONS?

