

Figure 7: Add a salt to the password before hashing to increase entropy

The salt can be generated as a random number and then appended on the password before hashing. In the following code, we have a hash class containing everything we need to do this. This has the hash function itself, the salt generator, and a method to combine two byte arrays together.

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public class Hash
public static byte[] HashPasswordWithSalt(byte[] toBeHashed, byte[] salt)
     using (var sha256 = SHA256.Create())
         return sha256.ComputeHash(Combine(toBeHashed, salt));
}
 private static byte[] Combine(byte[] first, byte[] second)
     var ret = new byte[first.Length + second.Length];
     Buffer.BlockCopy(first, 0, ret, 0, first.Length);
     Buffer.BlockCopy(second, 0, ret, first.Length, second.Length);
     return ret;
}
 public static byte[] GenerateSalt()
     const int SALT_LENGTH = 32;
     using (var randomNumberGenerator = new RNGCryptoServiceProvider())
     {
         var randomNumber = new byte[SALT_LENGTH];
```