

# Password Hardening using ML based algorithms

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# Cybersecurity

- Cybersecurity is the practice of deploying people, policies, processes and technologies to protect organizations, their critical systems and sensitive information from digital attacks
- The goal of cybersecurity is to prevent malicious users from gaining access to systems or information

# Cybersecurity – Data Transfer

- Two main algorithms: AES and RSA
- RSA
  - Use public and private keys
  - Really secure because they use large prime numbers
  - Hard to get private keys because there's no algorithms or large enough computing power to factor the numbers
- AES
  - Symetric Keys
  - Block Encrpytion

# Social Engineering

- Social engineering is the term used for a broad range of malicious activities accomplished through human interactions.



Image 1: Hacker impersonating Kavitha Krishnan sends out a malicious Google Sites link

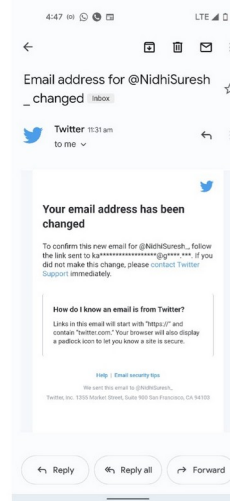


Image 2: Email from Twitter saying account email has been changed.



Image 3: The hacker takes control of Nidhi Suresh's Twitter account and changes name, image, background.

# Password Hacking

- In cryptanalysis and computer security, password cracking is the process of recovering passwords from data that has been stored in or transmitted by a computer system in scrambled form.
  - Some how hack into the system and find the password
  - Use brute force to “guess” the password

# Password Hacking

## TIME IT TAKES A HACKER TO BRUTE FORCE YOUR PASSWORD IN 2022

Number of Characters	Numbers Only	Lowercase Letters	Upper and Lowercase Letters	Numbers, Upper and Lowercase Letters	Numbers, Upper and Lowercase Letters, Symbols
4	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly
5	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly
6	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly	Instantly
7	Instantly	Instantly	2 secs	7 secs	31 secs
8	Instantly	Instantly	2 mins	7 mins	39 mins
9	Instantly	10 secs	1 hour	7 hours	2 days
10	Instantly	4 mins	3 days	3 weeks	5 months
11	Instantly	2 hours	5 months	3 years	34 years
12	2 secs	2 days	24 years	200 years	3k years
13	19 secs	2 months	1k years	12k years	202k years
14	3 mins	4 years	64k years	750k years	16m years
15	32 mins	100 years	3m years	46m years	1bn years
16	5 hours	3k years	173m years	3bn years	92bn years
17	2 days	69k years	9bn years	179bn years	7tn years
18	3 weeks	2m years	467bn years	11tn years	438tn years



> Learn about our methodology at [hivesystems.io/password](https://hivesystems.io/password)

# Password Hacking

## Samples

54429863asd	654123ff	Orangeceltics	gr1686	voqyvome
mschadock123	aryxu1981	jinnam1234	emmaprofileimage	mne18fbs
Anjani3737	y6nkg	murdocfan1	padela13	Tani823
vadabepu	0o6kc9	8oqep	peanutclock	sezgin6565
QYIN	batugosh	773193283	nurjei0608	svietlana.sidorkina
5139210maddog	21545876112578	andragatli	dyduloty	hanomari
cjohn1992	50bdd1	funseeker4347	TaaCVc	baka^_^
redlines2754	BLUEABA2	THO1MAS777	themorpheus91	aleksey0504
15275therese	78Apollo	snooch151	danran2319	pomple8155
24780844	gamscakht7ty9vc5	sumria201	Zouz123654	5891milsum
0505907243	shvec-tany	fb863210392	36D817	991570
d3toxifi3d	220576000	anjers305	ilovesuzy0429	ossi6620
mgsLtd	3991seivadwb1123	73Ekmrfcfh73bTb	rabha200880	EJNiH
1784mamaq	8012f5ef	01628786291	390683aa	adrianazarel9602211
669Punk	lorinoack	bandisreenivasulu	asd0983229827	
gozabetu	84254772	EwSC	2b73004faf006983774651a803a2ab33	
cp57ji4bwnavy2	1e3e416ac6f9d7bd2c	0935644115q123	davidevendetta123	
asta4882	belukone	6446445vikap	i04s6	
eb3-R1#a7n	izSGMvcF8W9Ti38Mg	odinschild	khongkimthanh	
shkilnyy	73ani35hch	198403061215	3738113234	
uciteljica123	nsonazo	AlejHD	6978556589	

# Ethical Hacking

- Hacking to prevent the effect of malicious attacks
- Prepare systems to be robust against attacks



# Algorithms

# Alphabetical Order

- Tests the passwords in alphabetical order
- Algorithms can have different “alphabetical orders”
  - Some might put numbers before letters
  - Some might put uppercase separate from lowercase

Good Passwords	Bad Passwords
2b73004faf006983774651a803a2ab33	andragatli
73ani35hch	eb3-R1#a7n
svietlana.sidorkina	Anjani3737

# Probabilistic Order

- Takes in all the passwords that have been linked
- Breaks the passwords down into subsets of characters
- Uses machine learning to try to predict the next character from the previous characters

1 → 2 → 3 → 4 → 5    12345

1 → 2 → 3 → 4 → 6    12346

# English Words

- This algorithm takes a library of english words and puts characters between them
- (characters(s)) + word + (characters(s)) + word + (characters(s)) = password
- eg. 78 + Apollo = 78Apollo

Good Passwords	Bad Passwords
2b73004faf006983774651a803a2ab33	emmaprofileimage
21545876112578	ilovesuzy0429
gamscakht7ty9vc5	78Apollo

# Results & Conclusion

- The more methods that were used, the more passwords were labeled as not secure
- There were a lot of passwords in the databases that weren't good passwords
- Using this type of model would work better instead of the 12 character, 1 number, 1 special character, 1 uppercase and 1 lowercase letter approach

# Future Steps

- Implement more methods for hacking, so more weak passwords can be taken out
  - Only use numbers (nnnnnnn)
  - Only use letters (llllll)
  - Keep numbers grouped and letters grouped (nnnlll)
- Implement a custom training loop for better performance

**Questions?**