

Question 1) You obtain a file containing leaked passwords from Sony. One of the usernames is root and the associated password is 19f96fe30289e1ecc18a7a8504f750ea (if you are using C or Java, the hashed password is b524a4fc63f21233549a83d59113c410). You know that Sony does not use the latest security practices and uses MD5 to hash their password. Moreover, Sony limits the password length to 8 characters (upper case, lower case, and digits). Can you guess what the password is? How long did your password cracking program take? How much memory? Include the configuration of your machine.

Hint: Writing a program to try all possible passwords is okay and expected. Provide a copy of your source code (if any).

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import java.util.*;
import java.math.BigInteger;
import java.security.*;
public class BruteForce{
    static String answer="";
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        Scanner in=new Scanner(System.in);
        char ar[]={ 'P', 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E', 'F', 'G', 'H', 'I', 'J', 'K', 'L',
'M', 'N', 'O', 'Q', 'R',
                'S', 'T', 'U', 'V', 'W', 'X', 'Y', 'Z', 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e',
'f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'j', 'k',
                'l', 'm', 'n', 'o', 'p', 'q', 'r', 's', 't', 'u', 'v', 'w', 'x',
'y', 'z', '0', '1', '2', '3',
                '4', '5', '6', '7', '8', '9'};

        /* char ar[]={ 'a', 'b', 'c', 'd', 'e', 'f', 'g', 'h', 'i', 'j', 'k', 'l',
'm', 'n', 'o', 'p', 'q', 'r',
                's', 't', 'u', 'v', 'w', 'x', 'y', 'z', 'A', 'B', 'C', 'D', 'E', 'F',
'G', 'H', 'I', 'J', 'K',
                'L', 'M', 'N', 'O', 'P', 'Q', 'R', 'S', 'T', 'U', 'V', 'W', 'X', 'Y',
'Z', '0', '1', '2', '3',
                '4', '5', '6', '7', '8', '9'};*/

        String enc;

        System.out.print("Enter MD5 encrypted text : ");
        enc=in.nextLine();
        //HERE, 20 denotes the maximum wordlength 20
        final int MAX_WORDLENGTH = 8;//YOU JUST NEED TO CHANGE THIS TO MODIFY THE
MAXIMUM WORDLENGTH
        for(int wordlength = 8; wordlength <= MAX_WORDLENGTH; wordlength++)
        {
            if(generate(wordlength,ar,enc))
            {
                System.out.print("Match found!! The decrypted string is : "+ answer);
                break;
            }
            else
            {
                System.out.println("Not a word of "+wordlength+" characters");
            }
        }
    }
}
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    }
}
}
private static boolean generate(int wordlength, char[] alphabet,String enc)
{
    final long MAX_WORDS = (long) Math.pow(alphabet.length, wordlength);
    //System.out.println("MAX_WORDS "+MAX_WORDS);
    final int RADIX = alphabet.length;
    //System.out.println("RADIX "+RADIX);

    for (long i = 0; i < MAX_WORDS; i++)
    {
        int[] indices = convertToRadix(RADIX, i, wordlength);

        char[] word = new char[wordlength];

        for (int k = 0; k < wordlength; k++)
        {
            word[k] = alphabet[indices[k]];
        }

        String ss=new String(word);
        /*System.out.println("The String ss "+ss);*/
        if(compareit(encrypt(ss),enc))
        {
            answer=ss;
            return true;
        }
    }
    return false;
}
private static int[] convertToRadix(int radix, long number, int wordlength)
{
    int[] indices = new int[wordlength];
    for (int i = wordlength - 1; i >= 0; i--)
    {
        if (number > 0)
        {
            int rest = (int) (number % radix);
            number /= radix;
            indices[i] = rest;
        }
        else
        {
            indices[i] = 0;
        }
    }
    return indices;
}
public static String encrypt(String str)
{

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        //String tryWord= "user1234";
        byte[] msgByte = str.getBytes();
        try{

            MessageDigest msgDigest = MessageDigest.getInstance("MD5");
            byte[] msgByteDigest = msgDigest.digest(msgByte);

            BigInteger bigIntDigest = new BigInteger(1,msgByteDigest);
            String digestedMessage = bigIntDigest.toString(16);

            /*System.out.println(digestedMessage);*/
            return digestedMessage;

        }catch(NoSuchAlgorithmException ex){
            ex.printStackTrace();
            return null;
        }

    }
    public static boolean compareit(String s2, String s1)
    {
        String a=s1;
        if(s1.contains(s2))
            return true;
        else
        {
            /*Java often misses out some zeroes while encrypting text, so here
            * I'm removing zeroes one by one from the original string and then
            * performing the check again*/
            while(a.indexOf('0')!=-1)
            {
                a=a.substring(0,a.indexOf('0'))+a.substring(a.indexOf('0')+1,a.length());
                if(a.contains(s2))
                    return true;
            }
        }
        return false;
    }
}

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Answer took approximately 16 days to run and crack the result :

real 22487m22.646s

user 0m0.000s

sys 0m0.000s

The cracked password is : POGS7EKo

