

Internship day- 4

Report

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Password Security Analysis

1. Introduction

Passwords remain the most widely used authentication mechanism for operating systems, applications, and network services. Weak or poorly managed passwords are a major cause of security breaches

2. Objective

To analyse password-related risks, attack methods, weaknesses, and mitigation strategies.

3. Scope

OS-level passwords, application credentials, storage mechanisms, and attack techniques

4. Common Attacks

Brute Force, Dictionary Attacks, Credential Stuffing, Phishing, Keylogging.

5. Weaknesses

Short passwords, reuse, plaintext storage, no lockout policies, shared accounts.

6. Secure Storage

Use strong hashing algorithms like bcrypt, salting, and secure credential storage.

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| Your String | password |
| MD5 Hash | 5f4dcc3b5aa765d61d8327deb882cf99 <button>Copy</button> |
| SHA1 Hash | 5baa61e4c9b93f3f0682250b6cf8331b7ee68fd8 <button>Copy</button> |

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|-------------|--|
| Your String | Hello |
| MD5 Hash | 8b1a9953c4611296a827abf8c47804d7 <button>Copy</button> |
| SHA1 Hash | f7ff9e8b7bb2e09b70935a5d785e0cc5d9d0abf0 <button>Copy</button> |

7. Impact

Unauthorized access, data breaches, financial loss, reputational damage.

8. Defensive Controls

Strong password policy, MFA, least privilege, account lockout, HTTPS, user awareness.

9. Conclusion

Password security requires layered technical and human controls for effective protection