The role of passwords in cybersecurity

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I. Introduction

This paper will focus on the wide use of passwords in IT-security. It will focus on the security aspect of passwords, especially on weak passwords due to user (human) laziness. It will cover state of the art password technologies (2 factor authentication with passkeys) and possible future technologies. Additionally it will try to highlight alternatives for effective password management and introduce a choice of selected password managing software.

Finally the paper includes a best practice guide to:

- check if user's passwords have already been breached
- create an easy to remember but secure master password for a password managing software
 - II. CURRENT AND FUTURE STATE OF THE ART
- III. CONCEPT AND IMPLEMENTATION FOR BEST PRACTISE