

# Password Managers

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# Password managers: Security and convenience

- Store all your passwords for all your sites and accounts in one place
- Can access your account from any device
- Account syncs every time you add a new password



#### **1Password**

Premium \$36/year, unlimited passwords

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#### **LastPass**

\$36/year, free version, unlimited passwords

## **Dashlane**

\$60/year, free version, unlimited passwords

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Bitwarden

\$10/year, free version, unlimited passwords

## RoboForm

\$24/year,

EnPass

\$12/year

Should we trust these managers?

- Master password is 256 bit encrypted. Considered to be essentially unbreakable
- Popular managers are open source (available on GitHub)
- "Zero knowledge" policies



# What does 256 bit mean?



# Brute force attacking 256 bit encryption...



Computing Power	Time to brute force break 256 bit
High end PC	27,337,893,038,406,611,194,430,009,974, 922,940,323,611,067,429,756,962,487,49 3,203 years.  27 trillion trillion trillion trillion years
Fastest supercomputers	27,337,893,038,406,611,194,430,009,974, 922,940,323,611,067,429,756,962,487 years. 27,337,893 trillion trillion trillion years
2 billion high end PCs	13,668,946,519,203,305,597,215,004,987 ,461,470,161,805,533,714,878,481 years 13,689 trillion trillion trillion years

# But...are they safe?

Hacking user information should therefore be impossible! However...



# The ugly truth- Password managers aren't perfect!



# PROBLEM VS. POSSIBLE SOLUTION



**Problem** 

Password managers might not be 100% safe



Replicate the functionality of a password manager locally

# Generate and Safely Store Secure Passwords

# Secure Password Generators

Version 1: Passwords only (linked)

Version 2: Websites, Passwords, & recovery (linked)

#### **Storing Passwords**

Passwords can be stored using password protected PDF, text document, or disk image (video linked)



# **DRAWBACKS**



## **No Cloud-Sync Option**

Passwords only saved locally on device, may be more secure, but is less convenient

## Not as user-friendly

Setup and maintenance requires above average tech skills and time to maintain



How can we apply this in the classroom?

# Unit plan: Algorithms, passwords, encryption

- Students build a
   password generator
   while learning about
   concepts like
   algorithms, encryption,
   and algorithm efficiency
- Link to unit plan folder

