Web Analysis and Advanced Cracking Techniques

Diving into the Deep End

Exercise 2



Better Passwords

- Longer passwords are better
- Numeric passwords become susceptible to brute force
- Increase complexity by using letters (a-z and A-Z)
- Add even more complexity by using symbols (\$,#,%, ...)

Password Complexity

- 4 digit numeric password:
- 10 digit numeric password:
- 4 character (lowercase):
- 4 character (mixed case):
- 4 character (alphanumeric):
- 4 character (with symbols):
- 94⁵ 5 character (with symbols):
- 7,339,040,224 6 character (with symbols): 689,869,781,056 946

 10^{4}

10¹⁰

 26^{4}

 52^{4}

 62^{4}

944

10,000

456,976

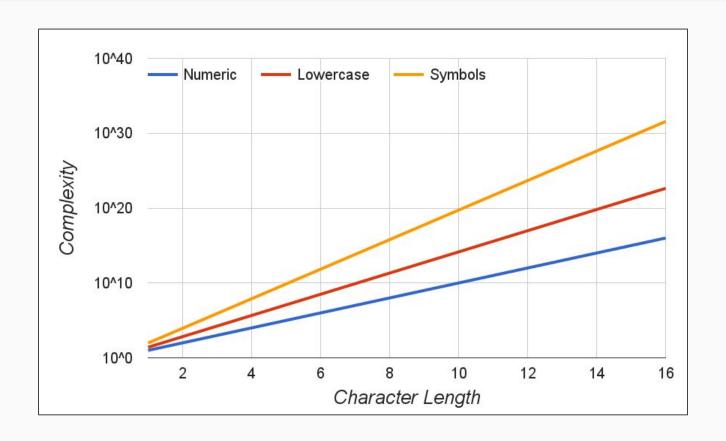
7,311,616

14,766,336

78,074,896

10,000,000,000

Password Complexity



Password Checking Speed

- Our online method: 2 / second
 - Delay due to online transmission to server
- Local access to check passwords is much quicker
 - o CPU: 100 million
 - GPU: 3 billion
 - Distributed: 12 billion
 - Specialized hardware: 90 billion

Brute Force Time Limitations

	<u>Online</u>	Local
4 digit numeric:	1.4 hours	< 1 s
4 character (symbols):	451 days	<1s
8 digit numeric:	1.6 years	1 second
8 character (symbols):	96 million year	rs 6 - 24 days
 12 digit numeric: 	-	2 minutes
• 12 character (symbols):	-	1 - 5 million years

Make Brute Force Easier

- If we know common information to try
 - Birthdays
 - Anniversary
 - Pet's name
 - Children's names
 - Sports teams / players

Make Brute Force Easier

- Password Patterns
 - Capitalize first letter
 - Add number to the end of a word
 - Substitute letters for numbers or symbols
 - $t \rightarrow 7$
 - a → @
 - Add special characters at beginning and end

How to guess better?

- Can we make probable word guesses?
 - password
 - Password1
 - PaSsWoRd
 - o 1Password!
 - iwN4gtp&ylwnbc

10	
9	
8	
7	
6	
5	
4	
3	
2	
1	

10	baseball
9	
8	
7	
6	
5	
4	
3	
2	
1	

10	baseball
9	1234567
8	
7	
6	
5	
4	
3	
2	
1	

10	baseball
9	1234567
8	1234
7	
6	
5	
4	
3	
2	
1	

10	baseball
9	1234567
8	1234
7	football
6	
5	
4	
3	
2	
1	

10	baseball
9	1234567
8	1234
7	football
6	123456789
5	
4	
3	
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10	baseball
9	1234567
8	1234
7	football
6	123456789
5	12345
4	
3	
2	
1	

10	baseball
9	1234567
8	1234
7	football
6	123456789
5	12345
4	qwerty
3	
2	
1	

10	baseball
9	1234567
8	1234
7	football
6	123456789
5	12345
4	qwerty
3	12345678
2	
1	

10	baseball
9	1234567
8	1234
7	football
6	123456789
5	12345
4	qwerty
3	12345678
2	password
1	

10	baseball
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8	1234
7	football
6	123456789
5	12345
4	qwerty
3	12345678
2	password
1	123456





Notable People Passwords





Position: Division Chief

Password: lincoln

Entropy: 10.9

Crack Time: 0.09 seconds





Position: Software Engineer

Password: muffins

Entropy: 12.3

Crack Time: 0.2 seconds





Position: Senior Manager

Password: 123456

Entropy: 1.0

Crack Time: 0 seconds





Position: Program Manager

Password: 123[yearofbirth]

Entropy: 10.4

Crack Time: 0.07 seconds





Position: Manager

Password: [firstinitialandDOB]

Entropy: 21.7

Crack Time: 4 minutes



mozilla

Position: Web Developer

Password: squar3

Entropy: 11.9

Crack Time: 0.2 seconds

Dictionary Attacks

- Create lists of common words or phrases to check
- May not get every password, but can get many (most?)
- Orders of magnitude less tries for long passwords
- Include phrases and common number sequences
- Dictionaries of 40+ million entries are readily available

How long to guess?

- 40 million word dictionary
- 20 permutations (capitalization, letter substitution, etc)
- Include single leading and trailing symbols
- Include all possible 2 digit leading and trailing numbers

27 hours

Without specialized hardware

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3.6 hours!

With specialized hardware

How Passwords are Saved

- Not saved as "cleartext"... hopefully!
- No online service should be able to tell you your password
 - Data breach would reveal all passwords instantly
 - Only allow you to reset your password
- Save a hash of your password
 - Apply hash when you login
 - Compare to saved hash

Hashes

- Algorithm that maps data of one value to another
- One directional non reversible
 - "1" maps to "A"
 - o "A" maps to "b"
 - "b" maps to "7"
- If somebody gains access to saved hash "A"
 - Can't figure out password is "1"

Hash Vulnerability

- Vulnerability in the hash function
 - Mapping could be reversed
 - "A" can lead me back to "1"
 - Random data isn't completely random
 - Knowing a pattern to the mapping
 - Reduces the complexity of guesses

Hash Vulnerability

- Exploit vulnerability
 - Reduce the time to guess (Guess faster)
 - Reduce the number of potential guesses
- Sneakers movie was based around this concept
 - NSA has been suspected of putting a vulnerability in the RSA algorithm

Day 3 Tutorial



Using a Dictionary

- Going to use a dictionary with python to crack a password
- Small dictionary for training purposes
 - o 2264 entries
- Won't be able to crack every password
- Similar speed as numeric guesses
 - 19 mins to guess every entry

Reading Dictionary in Python

- Use standard data input mechanism for command line programs
 - stdin (short for standard input)
 - Takes input from the python shell or running terminal
 - stdout (short for standard output)
 - What we use to print data to the shell or terminal

Run Python Code from Terminal

Run the python program using command python
 python file_name.py

- Gives the same output to terminal as python shell before
- Same action as IDLE's "Run Module"

Redirect in Terminal

- Redirect is a way to redirect data from one source to a file
 - Redirect output ">"
 - Redirect output from our previous python code python day2_tutorial.py > output.txt
 - Redirect input "<"
 - Redirect the contents of a file as input
 python example.py < inputfile.txt</p>

Create Input File

- Used text editor (Gedit)
- Create a list of words or phrases
- Save as input.txt



Python Input

```
import sys
for word in sys.stdin:
   print word
```

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- Due to having a return character in the text file
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Day 3 Tutorial



Form Data

- Form "action=tutorial-result.php"
 - Where the form is submitting the data
- Form "input"
 - Data being sent to the server
 - Named "passphrase"
 - String of text

Python Request

import requests

print response.text

Create a POST request

```
passphrase = [ ("passphrase", word.rstrip()) ]

response = requests.post("https://www.cyberdiscovery.rocks
    /AICS/day3/tutorial-result.php", data=passphrase,
    verify=False)
```

Python Check Result

- Search for text in the response
- Result of -1 means the text is not found

```
if (response.text.find("Access denied.") == -1):
    print "FOUND!"
    exit(0)
else:
    print "Not Found :'("
```

Python Dictionary Solution

```
import sys
import requests
for word in sys.stdin:
     print "Trying " + word.rstrip() + "...",
     passphrase = [ ("passphrase", word.rstrip()) ]
     response = requests.post("https://www.cyberdiscovery.rocks/AICS/day3/tutorial-result.
php",
          data=passphrase, verify=False)
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