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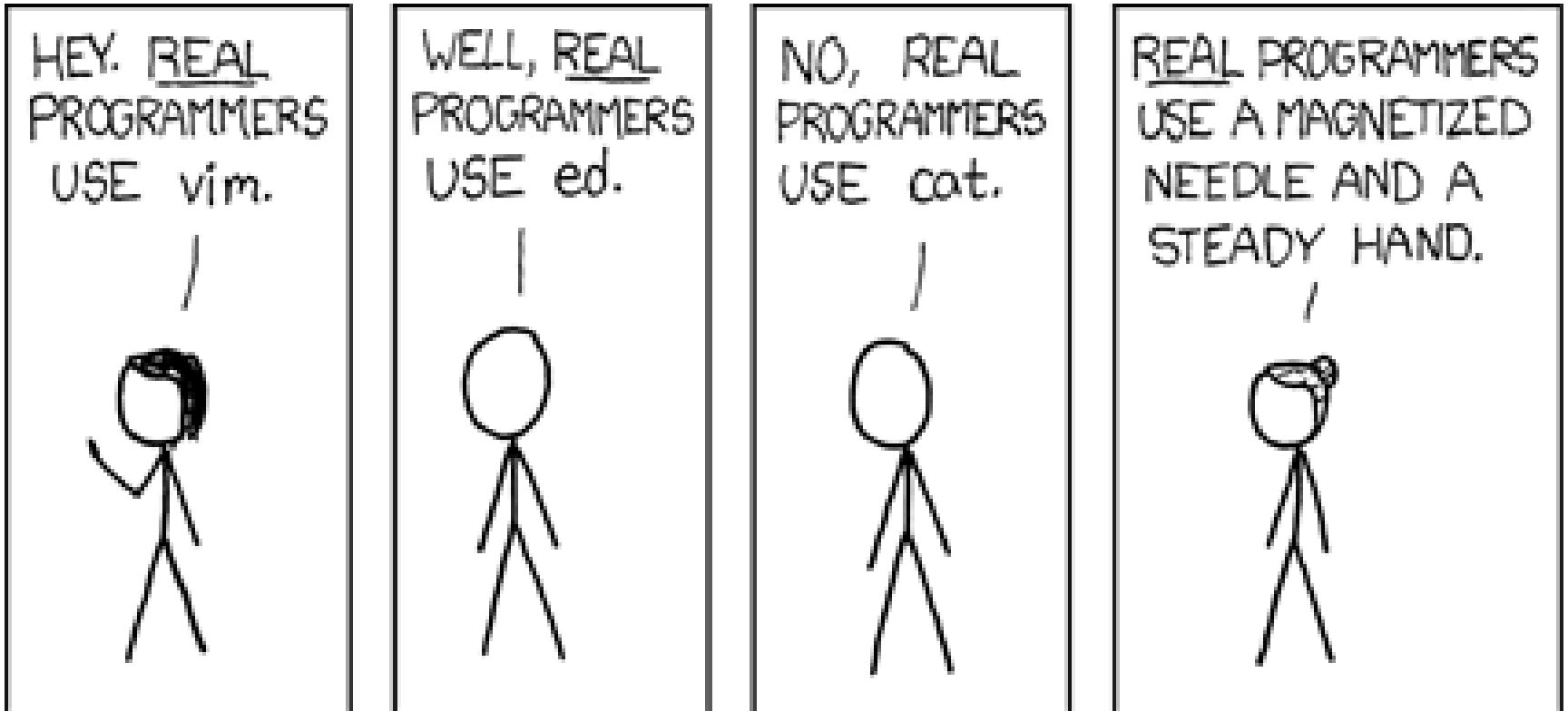
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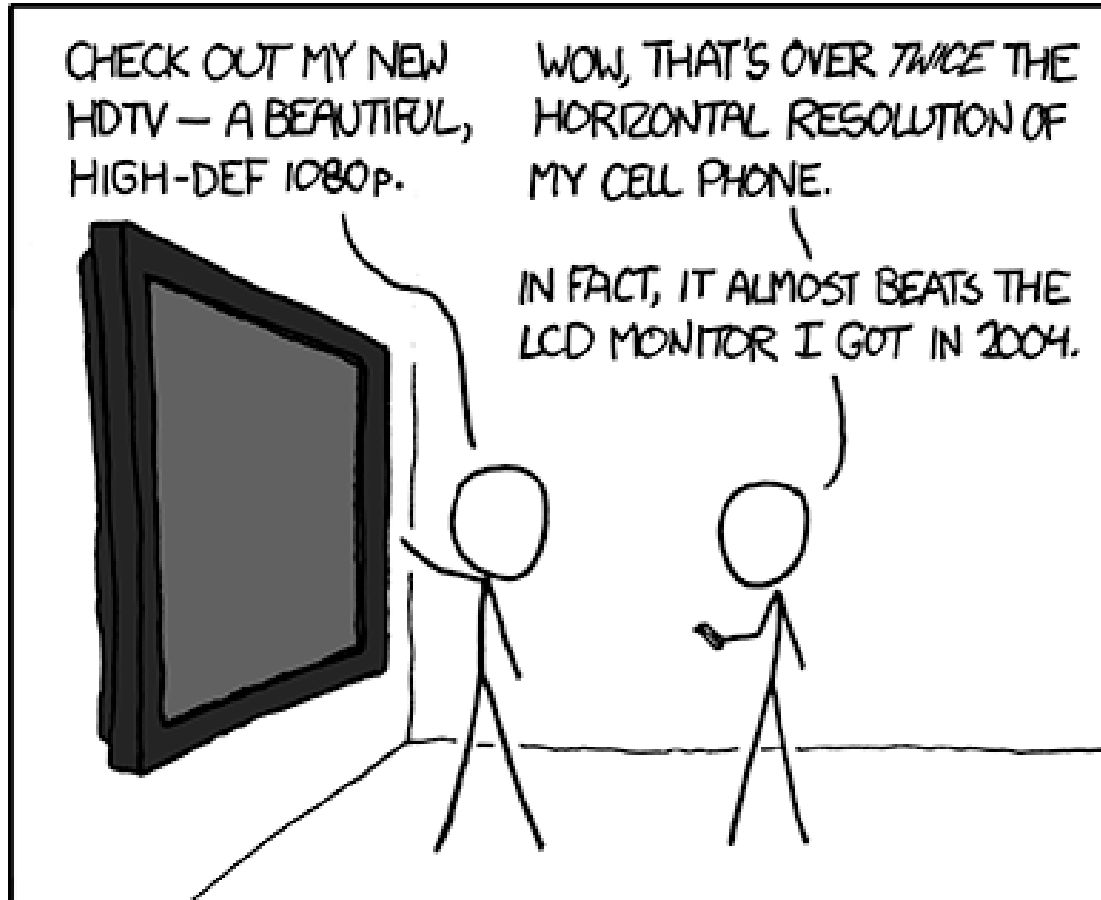
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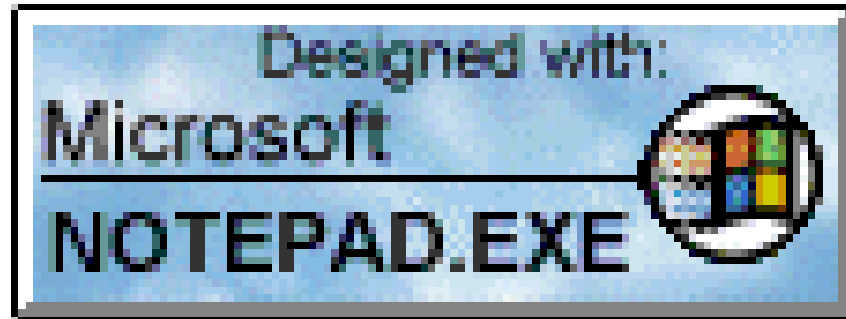
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IT Baffles ME THAT PEOPLE FIND HDTV IMPRESSIVE.

<http://xkcd.com/732/>

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<http://www.notepad.org/>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Notepad_%28software%29

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* Except for Blakely-Shamir Secret Sharing Schemes

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Secret_sharing

Crypto Terms

- cryptography → making and keeping secrets
- cryptanalysis → breaking secrets
- cryptology → how to make/break secrets
- Kerckhoffs' Principle

Crypto Terms

Kerckhoffs' Principle

“...depend solely on the secrecy of the key...”

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kerckhoffs%27s_Principle

Crypto Terms

- algorithm
- cipher
- hash function
- random number generator (RNG)

Crypto Terms

- cipher algorithm
 - encrypts plaintext using key into ciphertext
 - decrypts ciphertext using key into plaintext
- hash algorithm
 - variable length input into fixed length hash value
 - no inverse

What's Defense in Depth?

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OSI Protocol Stack

7. Application
6. Presentation
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OSI Protocol Stack Reality

9. Political ← You Are Here
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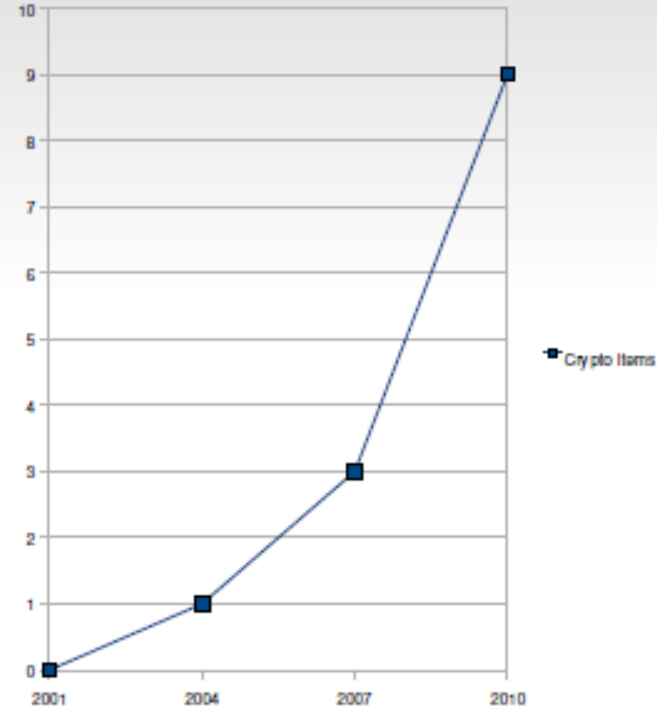
Change is Good

Spare Change is Better

My prediction in 2008

OWASP Crypto Growth

- 2004: A8 Insecure Storage
- 2007: A7, A8, A9 300% growth
- 2010: ???



Crypto in OWASP Top Ten 2010

- A1-Injection
- A2-XSS
- A3-Auth'n
- A4-DOR
- A5-CSRF
- A6-Config
- A7-Crypto
- A8-URL
- A9-Transport
- A10-Redirects

Crypto in OWASP Top Ten 2010

- A1-Injection crypto useless, except...
- A2-XSS crypto useless, except...
- A3-Auth'n **YES!** But...
- A4-DOR crypto useless, except...
- A5-CSRF crypto useless, except...
- A6-Config Maybe, unless...
- A7-Crypto **YES!** Tautological tautology.
- A8-URL Access crypto useless except...
- A9-Transport **YES!**
- A10-Redirects crypto useless except...

OWASP crypto changes since 2008

- A7 Auth'n promoted to A3
- A8 Crypto promoted to A7

OWASP crypto changes since 2008

- A7 Auth'n promoted to A3
- A8 Crypto promoted to A7
- A9 Transport no change
- ESAPI 2.0 crypto

A3-Auth'n Fail

- HTTP
- Password authentication
- Password encryption

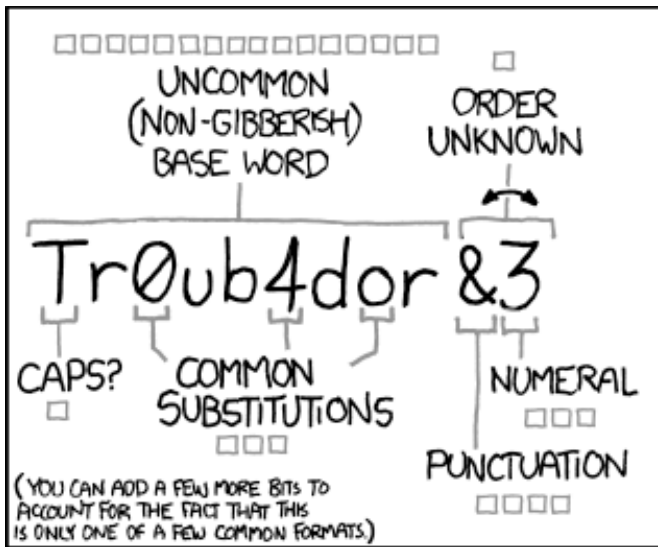
A3-Auth'n Fail

- Fast efficient hash
- No, static, small, or non-random salt
- Password “quality”
- Preventing passphrases
- Non-random number generators

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Authentication_Cheat_Sheet

<http://www.cryptosmith.com/password-sanity>

<http://diceware.com/>



~ 28 BITS OF ENTROPY

$2^{28} = 3 \text{ DAYS AT } 1000 \text{ GUESSES/SEC}$

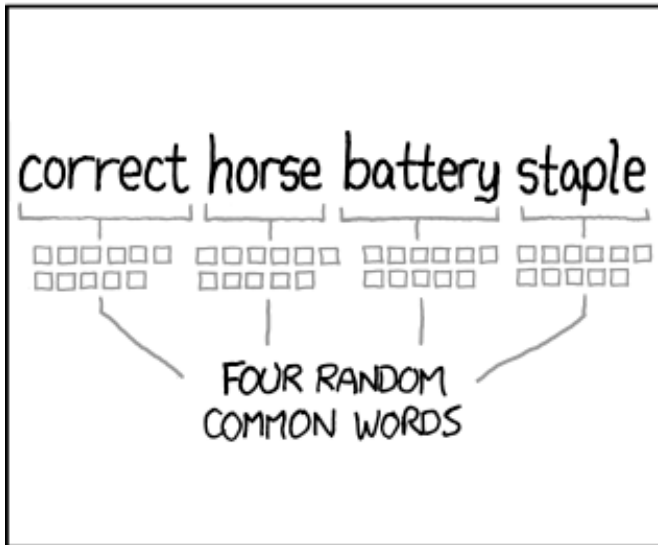
(PLAUSIBLE ATTACK ON A WEAK REMOTE WEB SERVICE. YES, CRACKING A STOLEN HASH IS FASTER, BUT IT'S NOT WHAT THE AVERAGE USER SHOULD WORRY ABOUT.)

DIFFICULTY TO GUESS: **EASY**

WAS IT TROMBONE? NO, TROUBADOR. AND ONE OF THE 0s WAS A ZERO?

AND THERE WAS SOME SYMBOL...

DIFFICULTY TO REMEMBER: **HARD**



~ 44 BITS OF ENTROPY

$2^{44} = 550 \text{ YEARS AT } 1000 \text{ GUESSES/SEC}$

DIFFICULTY TO GUESS: **HARD**

THAT'S A BATTERY STAPLE.

CORRECT!

DIFFICULTY TO REMEMBER: YOU'VE ALREADY MEMORIZED IT

THROUGH 20 YEARS OF EFFORT, WE'VE SUCCESSFULLY TRAINED EVERYONE TO USE PASSWORDS THAT ARE HARD FOR HUMANS TO REMEMBER, BUT EASY FOR COMPUTERS TO GUESS.

<http://xkcd.com/936>

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A7-Crypto Fails

- Default keys (A6 Config)
- MD5 \approx 21 bits of security
- SHA1 \approx 51 bits of security

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Cryptographic_Storage_Cheat_Sheet

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/MD5>

<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/SHA-1>

A7-Crypto Fails

- 2TDES \approx 80 bits of security
- RSA-1024 \approx 80 bits of security
- Never rekeying

<http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsSPs.html#800-131A>

A7-Crypto Fails

- Confusing encryption with authentication
- Reuse a stream cipher key

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Padding_oracle_attack

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Authenticated_encryption

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stream_cipher_attack

A7-Crypto Fails

- Invent a crypto protocol
- FIPS 140 validated products do fail
- Non-random number generators

http://www.cs.auckland.ac.nz/~pgut001/pubs/linux_vpn.txt

<https://www.ironkey.com/usb-flash-drive-flaw-exposed>

<http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsSPs.html#sp800-130>

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of course, in a state of sin.

John von Neumann "Various techniques used in connection with random digits", +01951
Applied Mathematics Series, no. 12, 36–38

Random Failures

- Time of day RNG seed ≈ 30 bits
- No/weak seed, all possible keys compromised
- No persistent seed pool
- No NSA Suite B RNG

Randomness and Netscape Browser seed, +01996-01

<http://www.cs.berkeley.edu/~daw/papers/ddj-netscape.html>

Debian -- Security Information -- DSA-1571-1 openssl, +02008 -05-13

<http://www.debian.org/security/2008/dsa-1571>

Analysis of the Linux Random Number Generator, Zvi Gutterman and Benny Pinkas and Tzachy Reinman, +02006-03-06

<http://eprint.iacr.org/2006/086>

NSA Suite B Cryptography - NSA/CSS

http://www.nsa.gov/ia/programs/suiteb_cryptography/index.shtml

```
int getRandomNumber()  
{  
    return 4; // chosen by fair dice roll.  
              // guaranteed to be random.  
}
```

<http://xkcd.com/221/>

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A9-Transport Fail

- HTTP
- Using SSL
- Using TLS 1.1

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Transport_Layer_Protection_Cheat_Sheet

<http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc5746>

A9-Transport Fail

- Password authentication
- Password authentication over HTTP

https://www.owasp.org/index.php/Transport_Layer_Protection_Cheat_Sheet

Transport Layer Security (TLS) Renegotiation Indication Extension, February 2010

<http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc5746>

A9-Transport Fail

- Exportable CipherSuites
- Weaker CipherSuites

<http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/PubsSPs.html#800-131A>

Crypto is Hard

- Cryptography is 3,000 years old
- Nearly all crypto prior to 1977 is broken

Crypto is Hard

- Modern cryptology is about 30 years old
- Weak crypto is breakable
- Strong crypto is just not broken yet

Why Cryptography Is Harder Than It Looks
<http://www.schneier.com/essay-037.html>

Questions?

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