## Application Security and User Experience

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## LOST i Pod Touch \$50 Reward Call Caroline MacLure 443-629-

Lost ipod touch \$51 the reward Call 410-859-







They'll Never Figure Out Your Combination

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WHY TRY TO REMEMBER WHAT YOU COULD JUST WRITE DOWN?"

PASSWORD:



The more secure you make something, the less secure it becomes.

## Don Norman





Dylan wow! you can type your facebook password into a comment and it comes up as stars!! \*\*\*\*\*\*\* hahaha thats so cool! 4 hours ago

	Übermensch ******** Holy shit, you're right. 3 hours ago
	Edizzle ***********************************
	Edizzle Too cool 2 hours ago
n	Luke isecretlylove50cent about an hour ago
	Luke FUCK I FUCKING HATE YOU about an hour ago





# $H = L \frac{\log N}{\log 2}$

### where N is the number of possible symbols and L is the number of symbols in the password



#### Password Character Restrictions - Alexa Top 100

Password Length Limits - Alexa Top 100



#### Source : <u>https://defuse.ca/password-policy-hall-of-shame.htm</u>



Source: http://research.microsoft.com/pubs/132623/wheredosecuritypoliciescomefrom.pdf

We conclude that forcing users to choose strong passwords appears misguided: this offers no defense against the common password stealing attacks and there are better means to address bulk guessing attacks.

> D. Florencio, C. Herley, B. Coskun. *Do Strong Passwords Accomplish Anything?* HotSec '07

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Source: <a href="http://uxdesign.smashingmagazine.com/?p=95518">http://uxdesign.smashingmagazine.com/?p=95518</a>





Hi

Someone requested that your Last.fm password be reset.

If this wasn't you, there's nothing to worry about - simply ignore this email and nothing will change.

If you DID ask to reset the password on your Last.fm account, just click here to make it happen: <a href="http://www.last.fm/settings/resetpassword/?id=5811756&key="http://www.last.fm/settings/resetpassword/?id=581156&key="http://www.last.fm/settings/resetpassword/?id=5811756

Thanks, The Last.fm Team

Change your Last.fm email settings here: http://www.last.fm/settings/notifications

Or to directly unsubscribe from all emails without any nonsense: <a href="http://www.last.fm/settings/unsubscribe/?auth=8234945811756">http://www.last.fm/settings/unsubscribe/?auth=8234945811756</a>

Last.fm Ltd, Karen House, 1-11 Baches Street, London, UK, N1 6DL

Password:*	-this will serve as your Login Passwor
Challenge Question:	Challenge Word
Challenge Answer*: <b>Biography</b> ** (Limit (Limit 150 words.) 12	Challenge Word City of Birth Mother's Maiden Name Eye Color Pet's Name
	Month of Birth

*Challenge Question	1	
*Challenge Answer	What is the name of your hometown? What is your mother's maiden name? What is your pet's name?	
Continue Cancel	What is your preferred internet password?	1212



#### Windows Internet Explorer



Because of inactivity, your session has timed out and is no longer active. Click OK to reload the page.

X



### **KEEP ME LOGGED IN CHECK**



Y U NO KEEP ME LOGGED IN

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A continually improving collection of questions and answers created, edited, and organized by everyone who uses it.

You are now logged out of your account in this browser, but you are still logged in from 1 other browser.

Login to Quora or Create an Account



Login As Another User

## I Can Relate:

"Username or Password is Incorrect."...why don't you just tell me which one?!

www.icanrelate.info



Internet	Explorer 🛛 🔀
ß	This page has an unspecified potential security risk. Would you like to continue?
	Yes No

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#### There is a problem with this website's security certificate.

The security certificate presented by this website was not issued by a trusted certificate authority.

Security certificate problems may indicate an attempt to fool you or intercept any data you send to the server.

We recommend that you close this webpage and do not continue to this website.

- Solick here to close this webpage.
- Sontinue to this website (not recommended).

# Emperor's New Security Indicators

- 57 subjects
- How many withheld password?
  - 0 after HTTPS removed
  - 2 after site authentication image removed
  - 25 after warning page
  - 30 always typed in their password

Source: http://usablesecurity.org/emperor/

## Johnny can't encrypt

- 12 subjects using PGP
- How many sent secure email?
  - 3 emailed the private key
  - 1 forgot the passphrase
  - 7 used their public key to encrypt
  - Only 2 of 5 encrypted messages were decrypted

Source: http://usenix.org/events/sec99/whitten.html

#### Security Check

Enter **both words** below, **separated by a space**. Can't read the words below? Try different words or an audio captcha.



# HOW SECURE IS MY PASSWORD?

#### ....

Common Password: In The Top 40 Most Used Passwords

Your password is very commonly used. It would be hacked almost instantly.

#### Possibly A Word

Your password looks like it could be a dictionary word or a name. If it's a name with personal significance it might be easy to guess. If it's a dictionary word it could be hacked very quickly.

#### Length: Very Short

Your password is very short. The longer a password is the more secure it will be.

#### Character Variety: Just Letters

Your password only contains letters. Adding numbers and symbols can make your password more secure.

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# Warning: We believe your account was recently accessed from: Poland

# Your filters are forwarding some of your email to 2 other email addresses




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		Books: Green Eggs and Ham				
		Continue to or Cancel				



Browser	Standard SSL	EVSSL
Internet Explorer 9	Gray padlock in address bar	Gray padlock plus full green address bar with company name or CA
Internet Explorer 8	Yellow padlock in address bar	Yellow padlock plus full green address bar with company name or CA
Firefox 4	Blue security emblem in address bar	Green security emblem in address bar with company name
Firefox 3	Padlock at bottom plus blue security emblem in address bar	Padlock at bottom plus green emblem in address bar with company name
Chrome 11	Green padlock in address bar	Green padlock plus green emblem in address bar with company name
Opera 11	Dark padlock plus yellow emblem in address bar written as "Secure"	Dark padlock plus green emblem in address bar written as "Trusted"
Konqueror	Green shield with white check mark in <sup>4</sup> address bar	Green shield with white check mark in address bar
Safari 5	Gray padlock in address bar	Gray padlock plus green company name in address bar

Source: <u>http://www.lookout.net/?p=530</u>



Source: <u>http://www.ischool.berkeley.edu/research/publications/tygar/2007/dynamic</u>

## The Acme Policy



who we share your

information with

Source: <u>http://cups.cs.cmu.edu/privacylabel/</u>

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Name: Publisher: Section 2010 From: Section 2010 ✓ Always trust content from this publisher.		
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## Balance

## Too much security can be counter-productive



