



Cybersecurity for Activists

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Overview

- **Securing your Devices** from assailants
- **Encrypting** files and media
- **Destroying** sensitive information
- **Browsing Anonymously** and securely
- **Secure Communication** via Phones/PCs

Mindset

- **What**
- **Who**
- **How**
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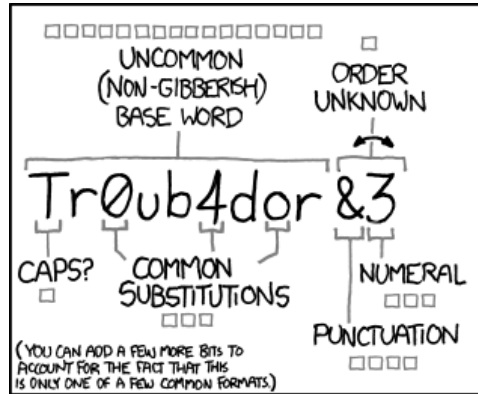
Mindset

- **What** do you want to protect?
- **Who** do you want to protect it from?
- **How** likely is it that you will need to protect it?
- **How** bad are the consequences if you fail?
- **How** much trouble are you willing to go through in order to try to prevent those?

Mindset

- **DO** use good passwords on ALL devices and services (2FA)
- **DON'T** leave your devices unattended
- **DON'T** connect to non-secure networks and devices
- **DON'T** mix and match identities
- **DON'T** connect to networks if airgapped

Passwords



~28 BITS OF ENTROPY

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

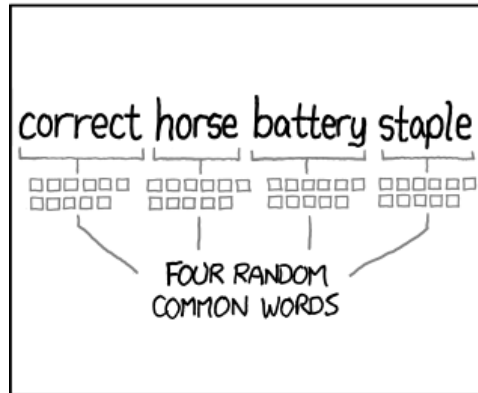
(PLAUSIBLE ATTACK ON A WEAK REMOTE WEB SERVICE. YES, CRACKING A STOLEN HASH IS FASTER, BUT IT'S NOT WHAT THE AVERAGE USER SHOULD WORRY ABOUT.)

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.

Password Managers



Encryption

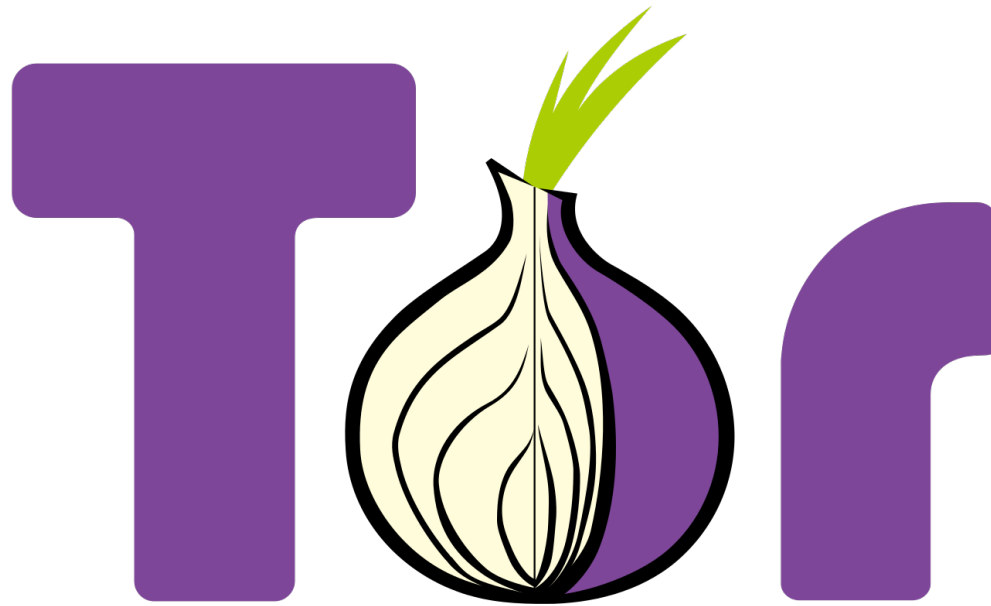


VeraCrypt

Secure Deletion



The Onion Router



The Onion Router

- **DON'T** confuse darknet and clearnet accounts
- **DON'T** use your real identity on the darknet
- **DON'T** register servers of your criminal enterprise with your real name
- **TL;DR - Don't doxx yourself**

Secure Communication

Secure

- Signal
- Whatsapp/Telegram
- Email/PGP

Anonymous & Secure

- Threema*
- CryptoCat
- GNU Ring

Resources

Surveillance Self Defense (EFF)

PrivacyTools.io

Security In A Box (TacticalTech)

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QUESTIONS?

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