

Saving Passwords secure

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Why this presentation

eHarmony, LinkedIn, last.fm, Sony, ...

- LinkedIn, eHarmony (dating site) and last.fm (streaming site) were hacked
 - Goods: 8 million accounts
- *„I left a bunch of stuff running over night, and have about 50% of all the passwords cracked.“* (LinkedIn: 6,46 Mio Acc., MD5, unsalted)
- <http://erratasec.blogspot.de/2012/06/linkedin-vs-password-cracking.html>

Assumption

We will be hacked, sooner or later

- ✦ Question is not: Are there security holes?
- ✦ **it is: When will they be found?**
- ✦ And who will find them?

business value

- ✦ **TRUST** is your business value
- ✦ If the user doesn't trust you, you don't make a deal.

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- ✦ **REALLY!??!!**
- ✦ **He uses THE SAME PASSWORD ON 100 OTHER SERVICES!**

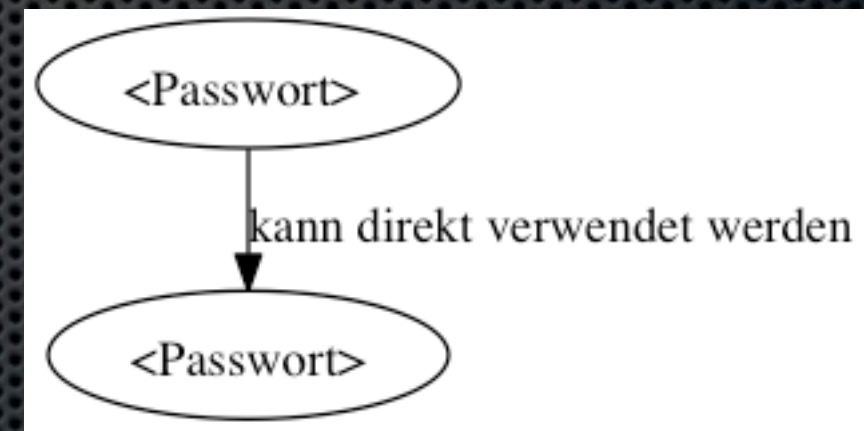
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- ✦ How? Save password directly into database
- ✦ Advantage:
 - ✦ The user gets his password back
- ✦ Disadvantage:
 - ✦ database stolen → all passwords stolen

plain text passwords - problems

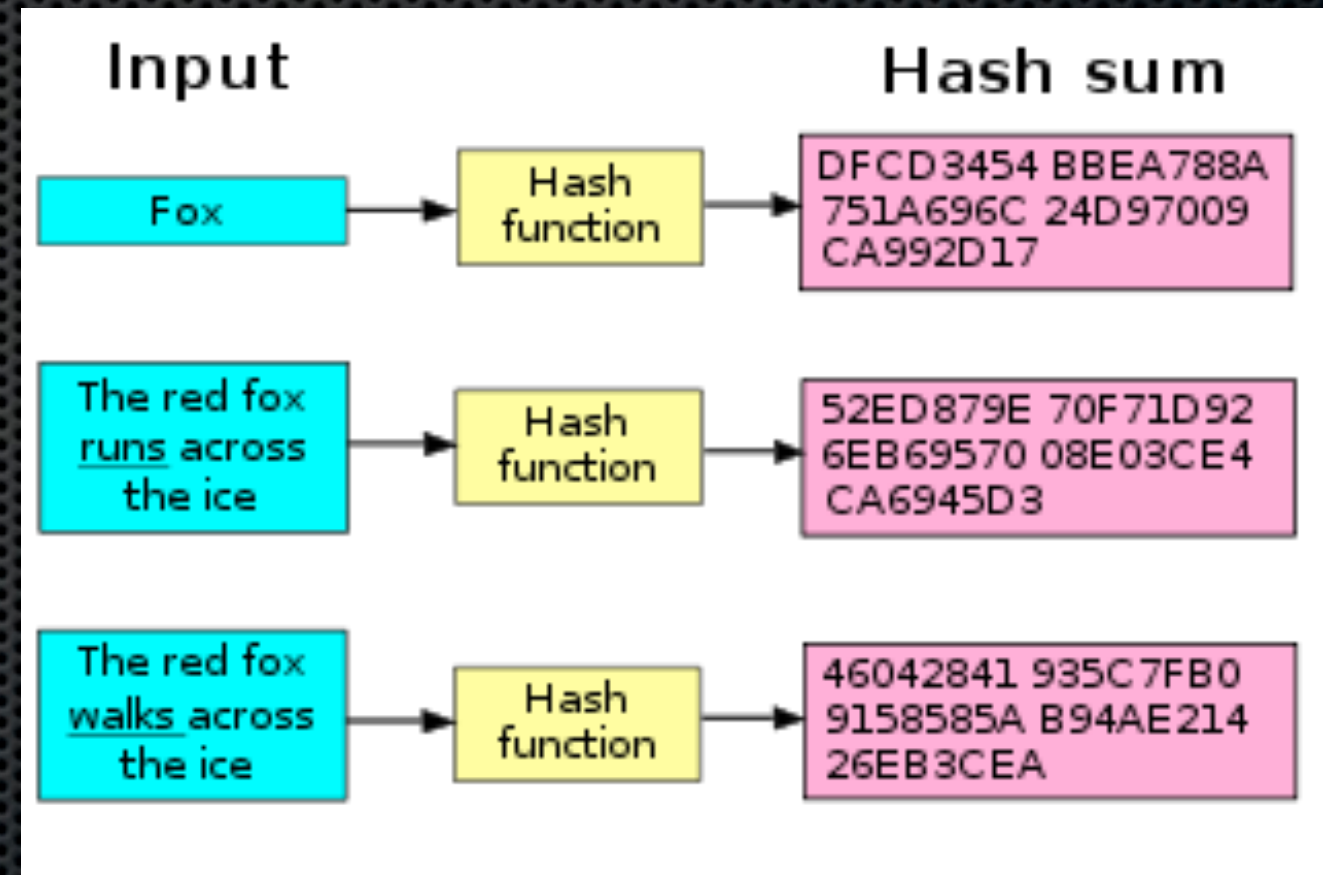
- ✦ problems:
 - ✦ time for cracking:
 - ✦ none.



hashed passwords

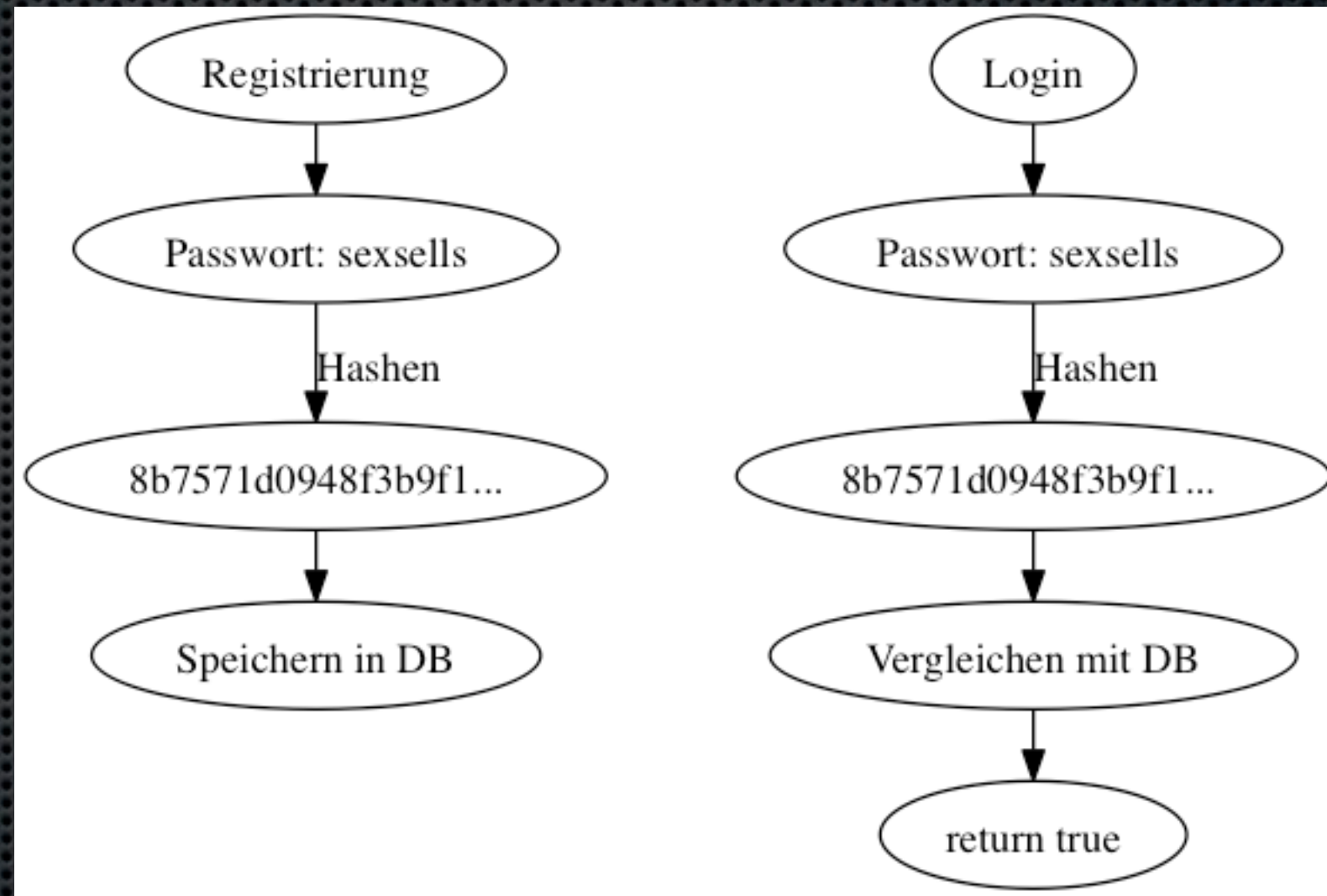
Hashing

- ✦ One-Way-Encryption
- ✦ easy in one direction
hard in the other
 - ✦ e.g. prime factorization, multiplication vs. modulo
- ✦ e.g. SHA2, SHA512, Whirlpool



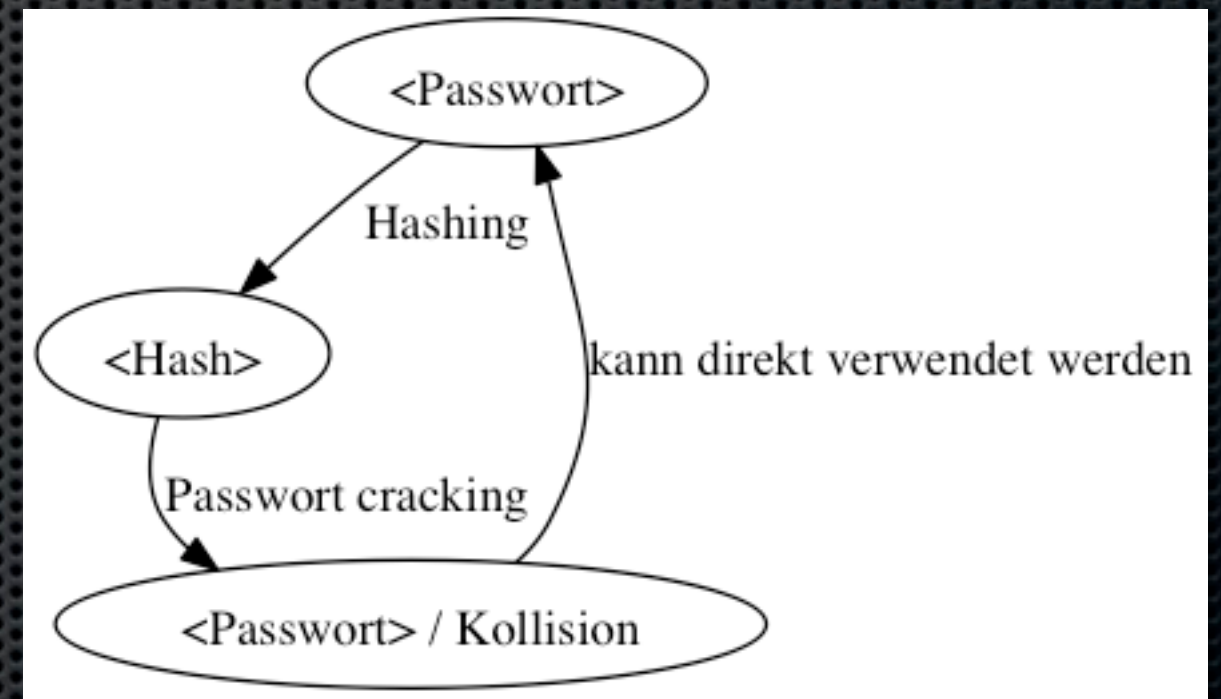
hashed passwords

- ✦ Save hashed passwords
- ✦ Advantage:
 - ✦ password is not plaintext
- ✦ Disadvantage:
 - ✦ today still easy to crack



hashed passwords - problems

- finding plaintext password for hash isn't easy, but
 - (1) many hash-algorithms are broken (DES, MD5, SHA1, ...)
 - (2) it is possible to precalculate passwords/collisions (rainbowtables)
 - (3) today we have much processing resources (GPU, EC2, ...)



broken hash algorithms

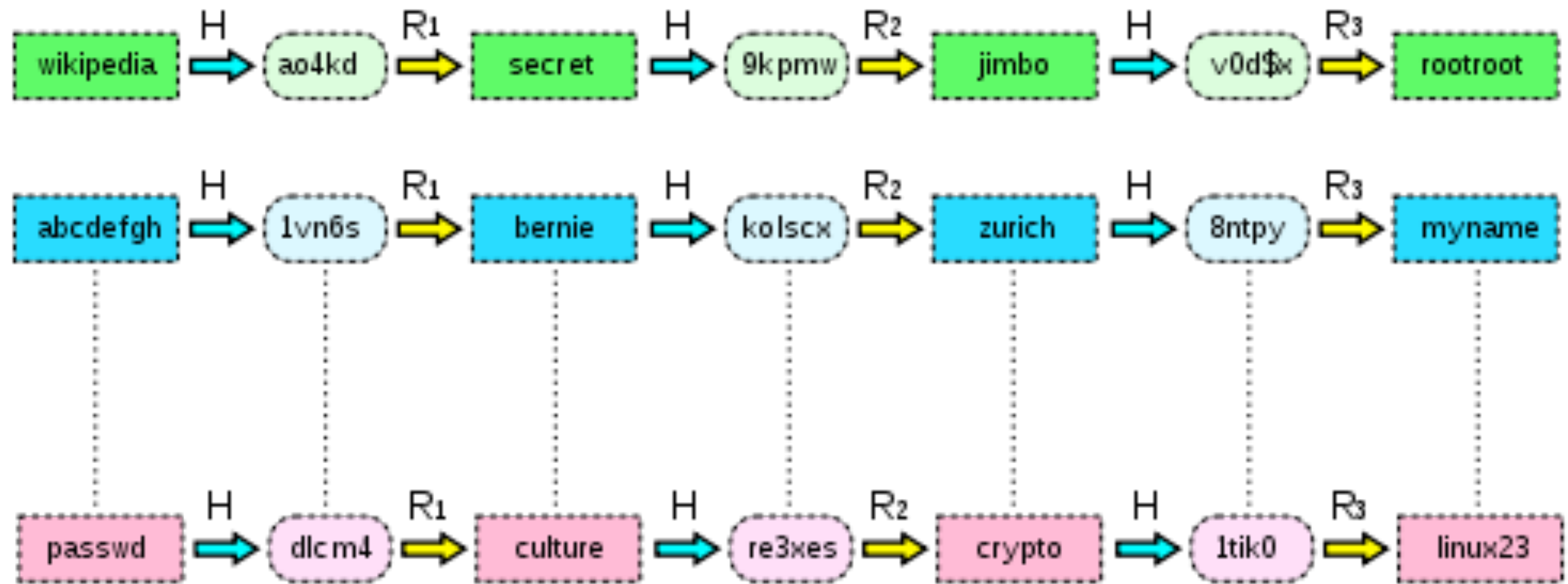
broken algorithms

- ✦ Hands off!
- ✦ DES (old crypt() Impl.)
- ✦ MD2
- ✦ MD4
- ✦ MD5
- ✦ SHA1
- ✦ RC4 (WEP)

rainbowtables

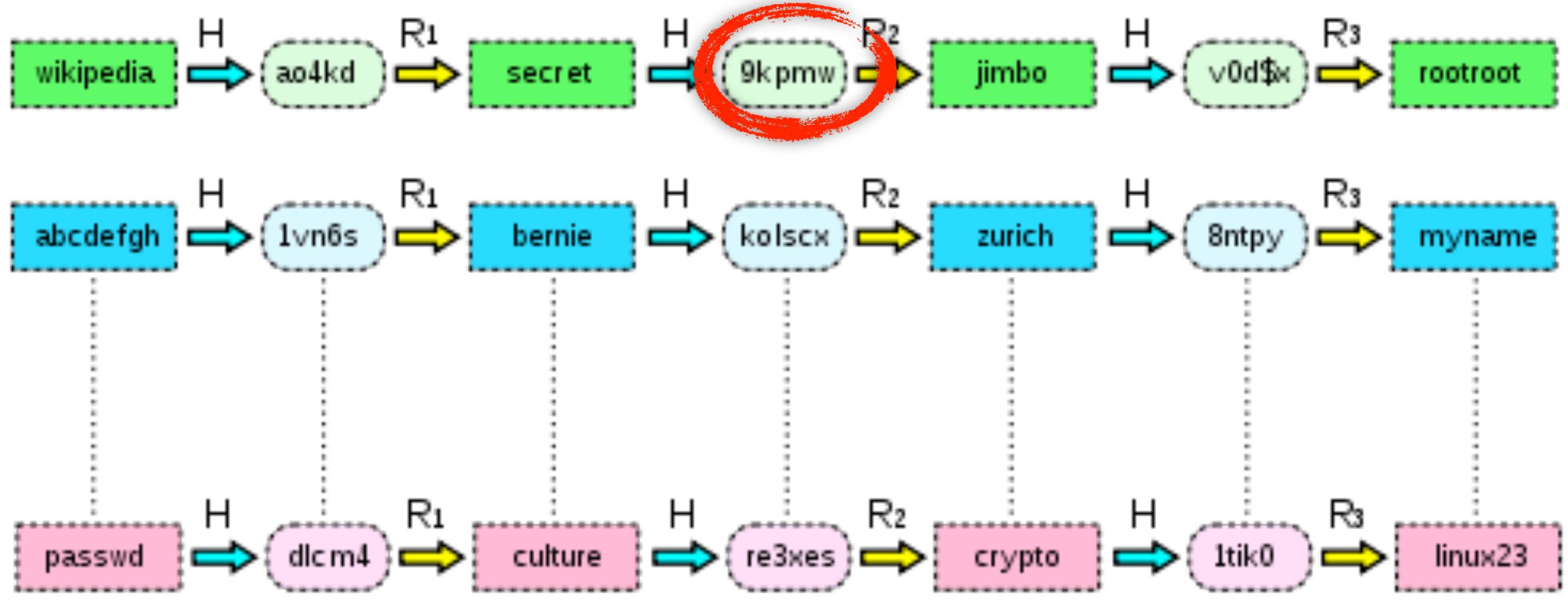
rainbowtables - benefit

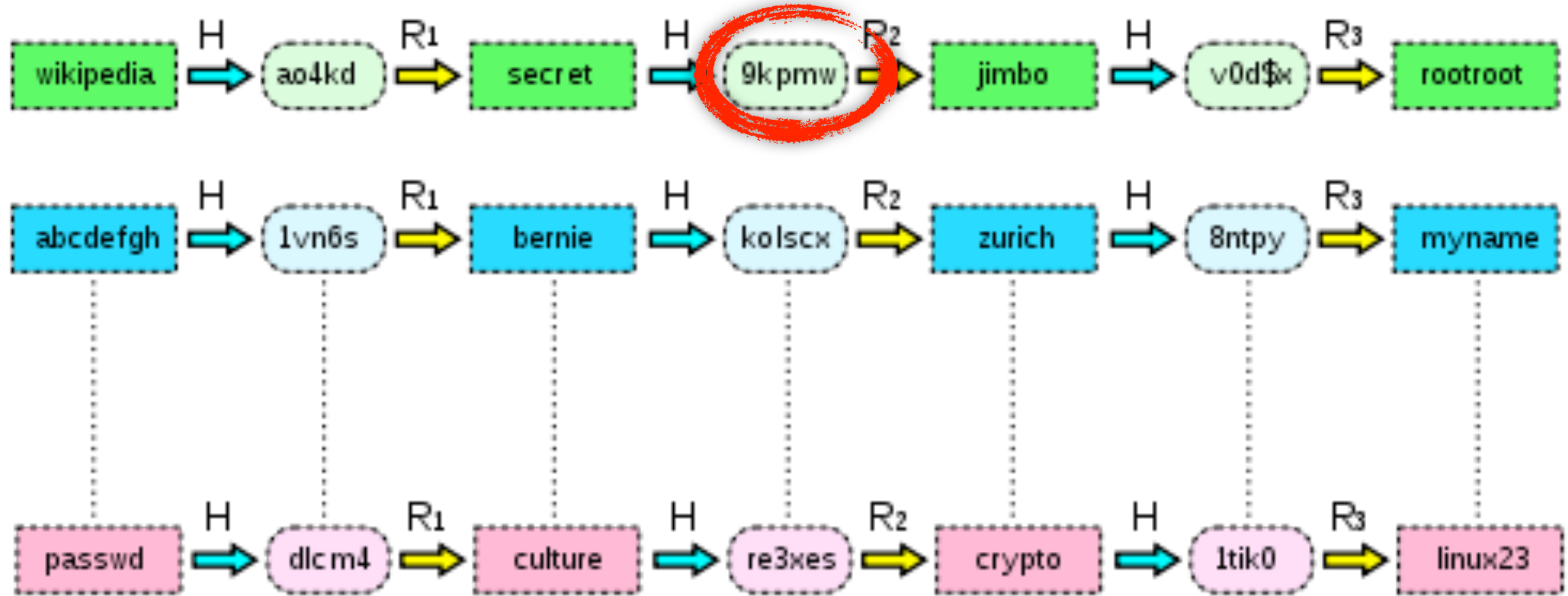
- ✦ only first value, reductionfunction and last value is saved
 - ✦ reduced storage space needed



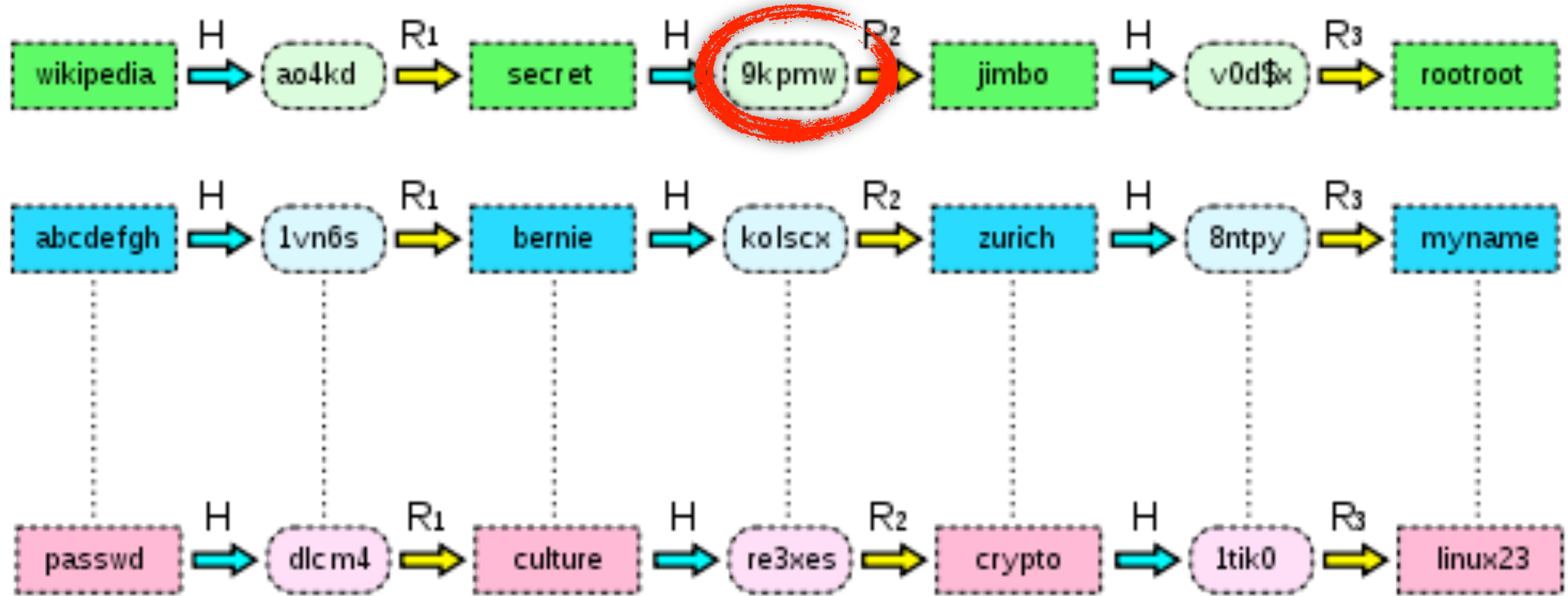
rainbowtable

first value → hashing → hash → reduction → etc.

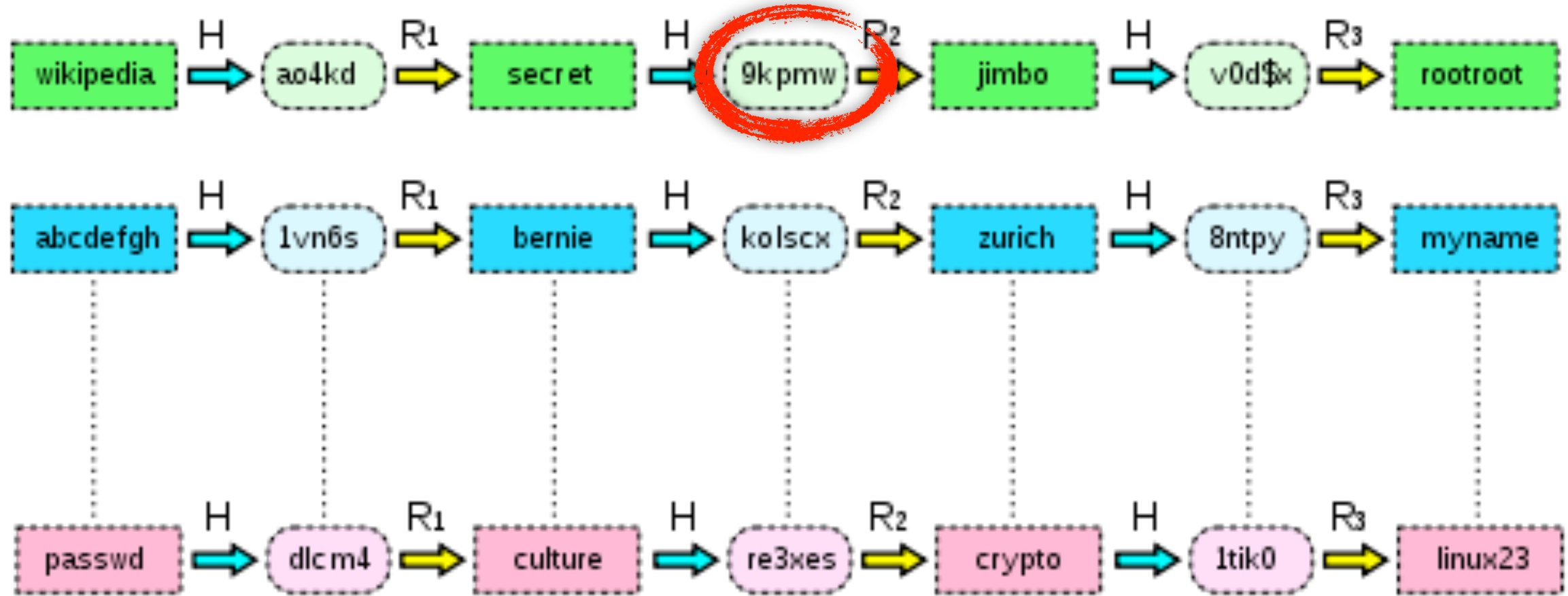




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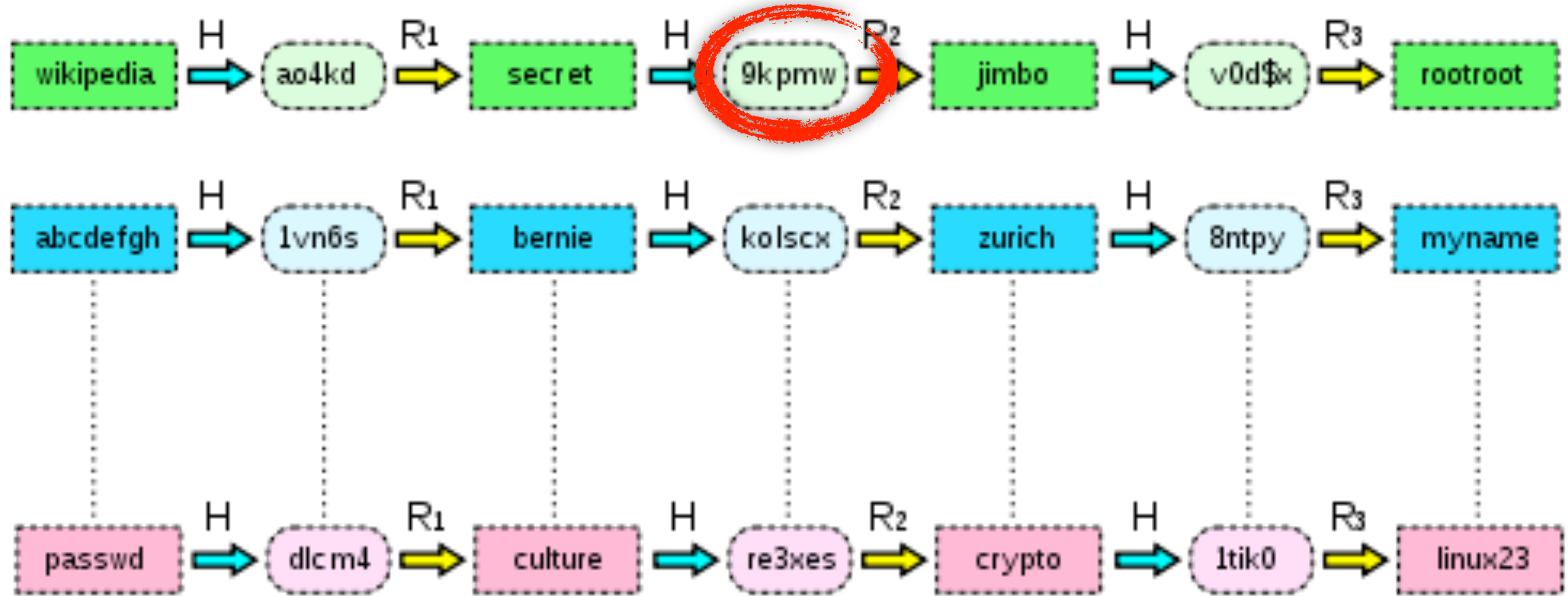
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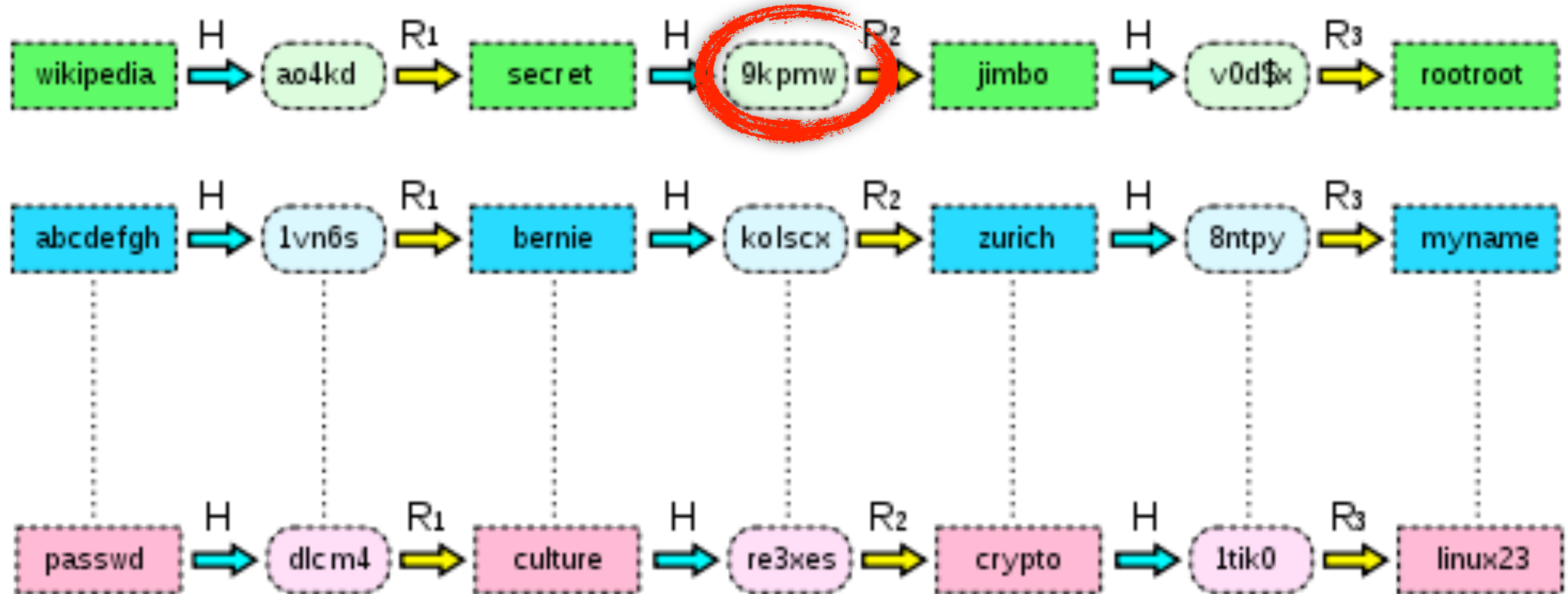


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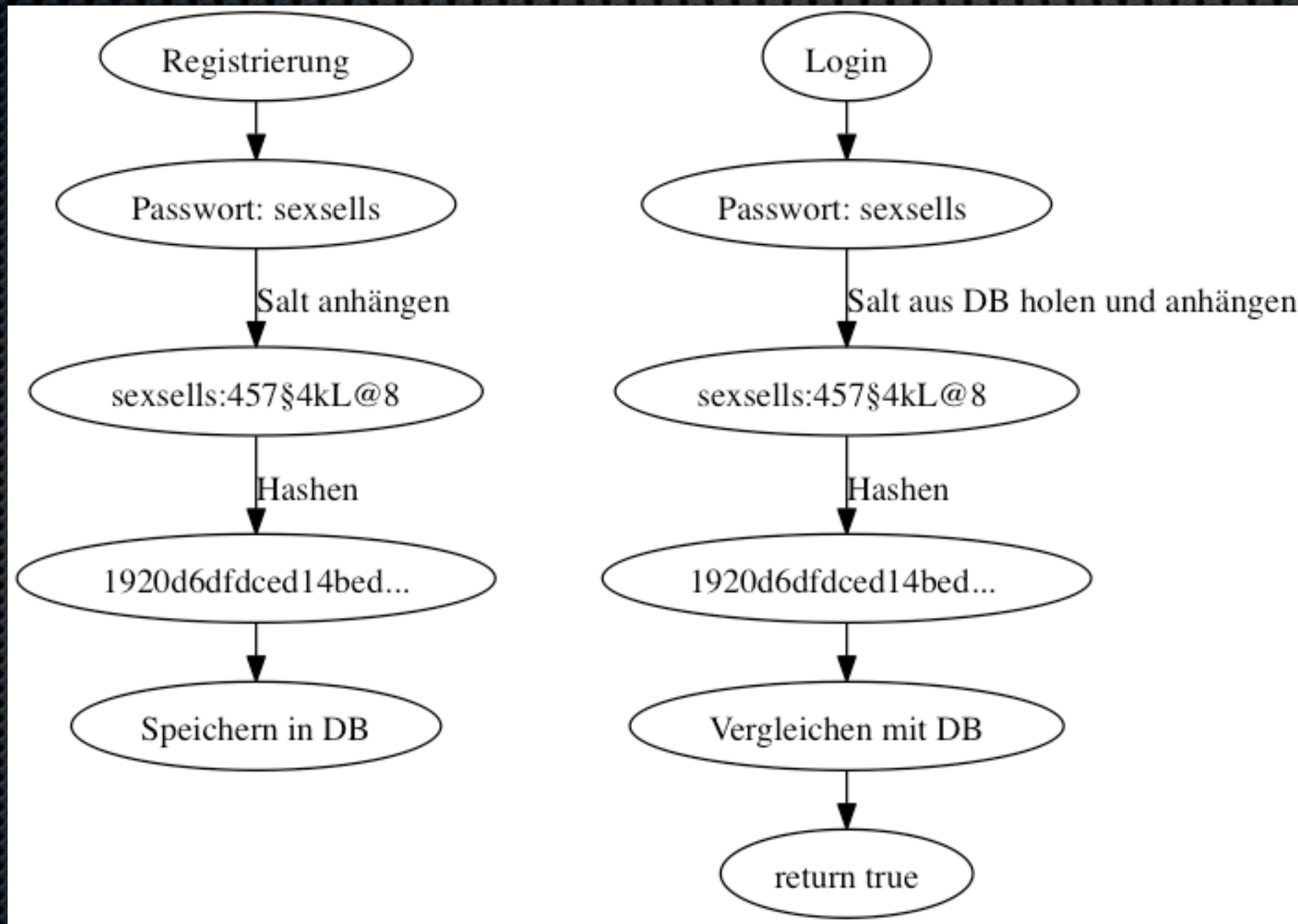
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FOUND: **9kpmw**

problem: rainbowtables and collision

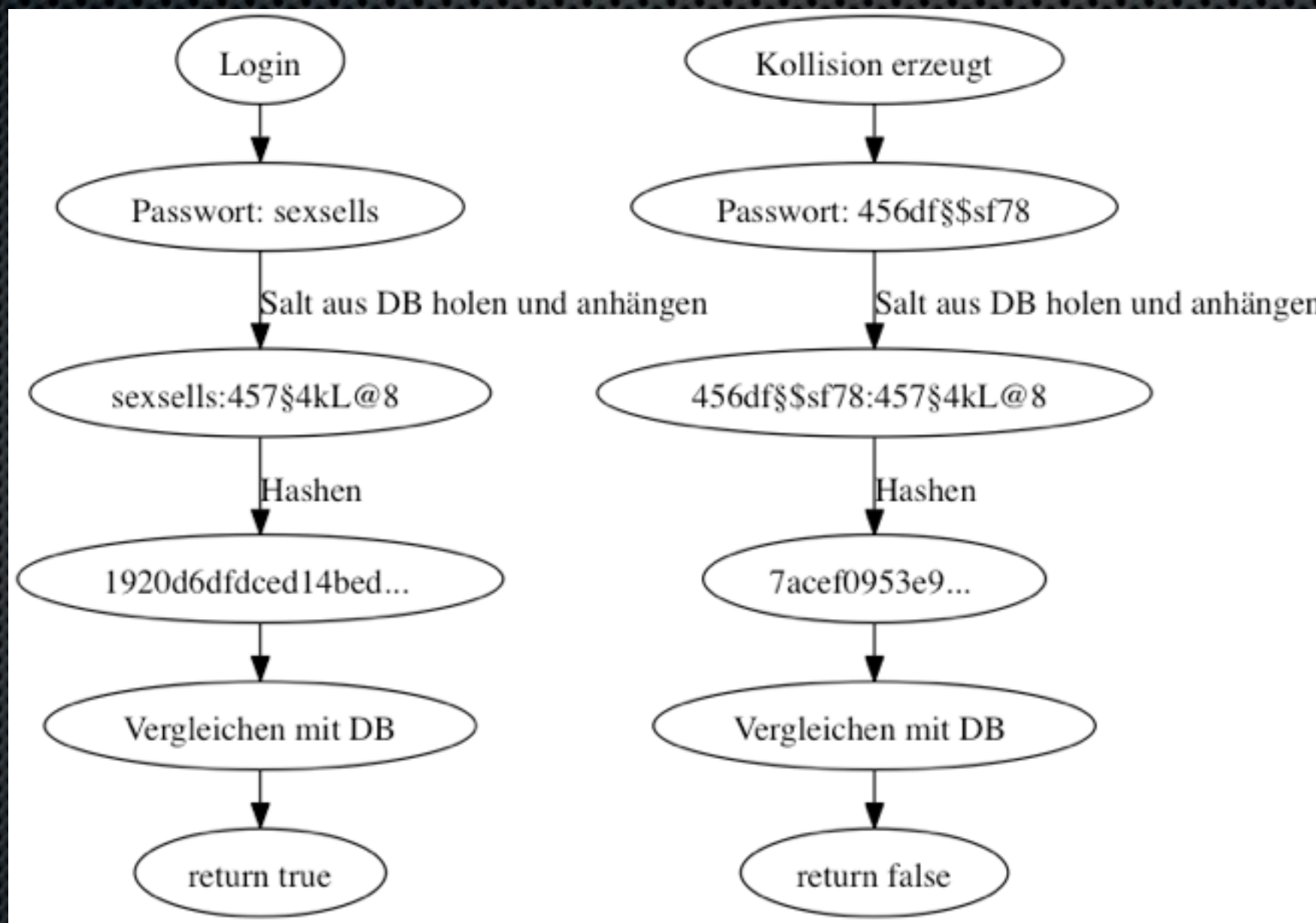
solution: salting



works against rainbowtables

- ✧ big rainbowtables only exist for unsalted hashes
- ✧ every salt needs his own rainbowtable
 - ✧ because prefix/suffix is static
- ✧ table sizes expands (very very much)
 - ✧ goal is not to avoid, it's to raise costs and time

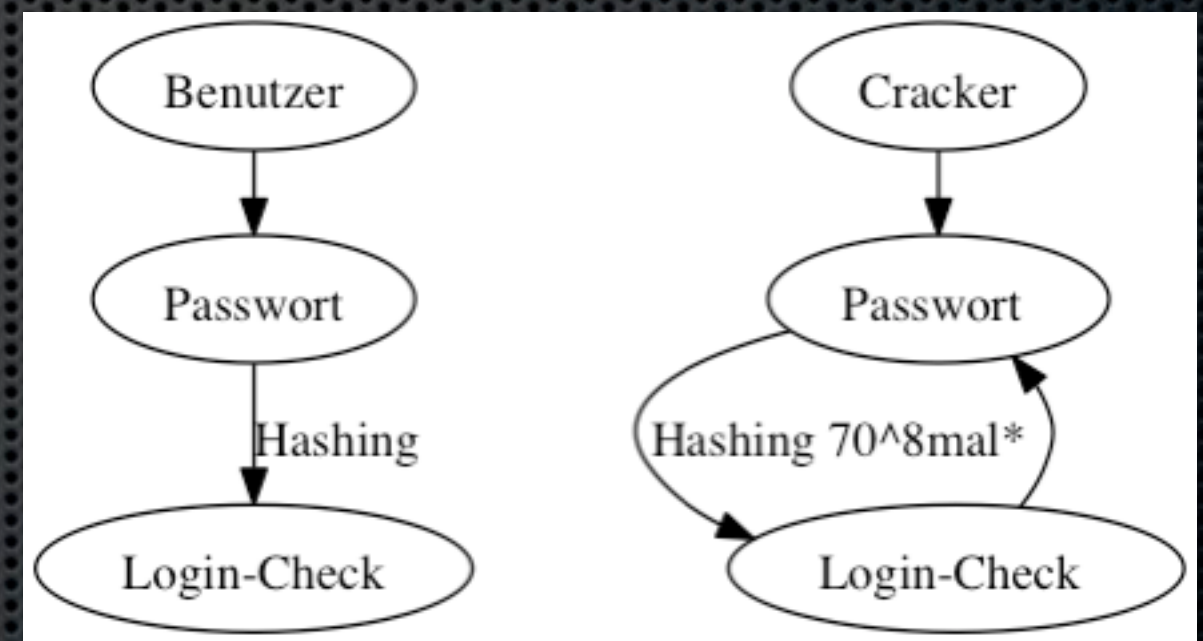
"H(sexsells) == H(456df\$\$sf78)"



KDF: key derivation function

hashes are calculated fast

- ✦ one hashing per login
- ✦ per password:
576.480.100.000.000
 $\approx 5,8 \cdot 10^{13}$ times hashing
(tries)



* 70^8 [A-Za-z0-9#+-_.,:]{8}

KDF - more work for all

- ✦ hash more than one time (>1000 times)

- ✦ $n = 10^4$; $res = \text{„some String“}$;

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for( $i = 0$ ;  $i \leq n$ ;  $i++$ ){
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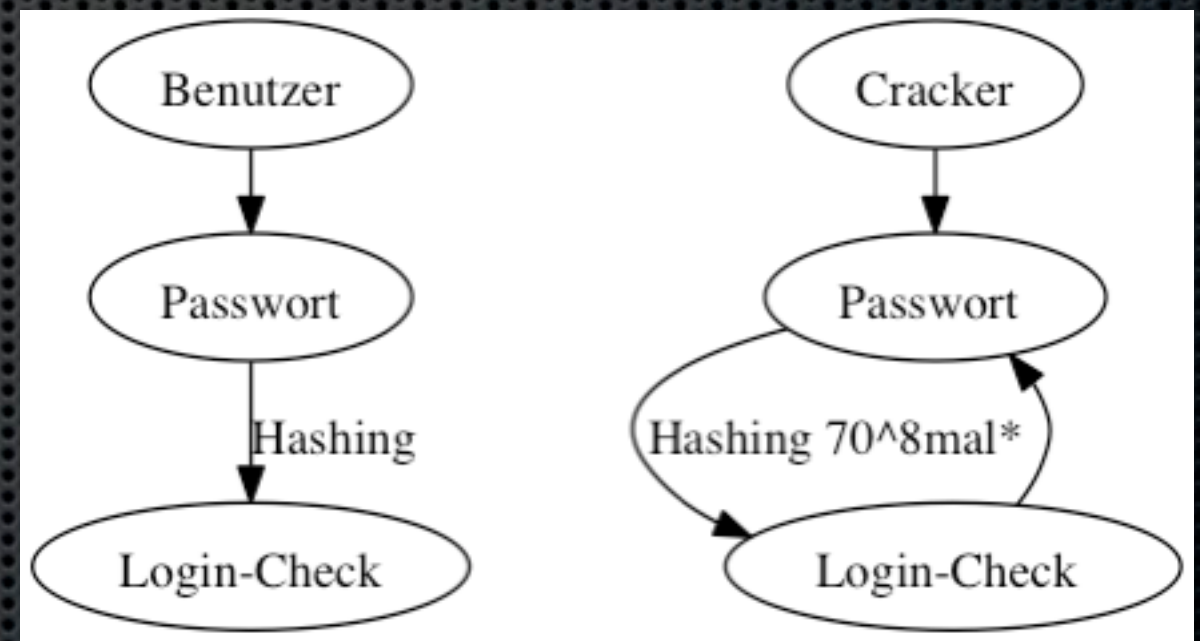
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     $res = sha2(res)$ ;
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}
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return  $res$ 
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hashes are calculated fast

- ✦ 10.000 times hashing per login
- ✦ per password
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 $\approx 5,8 \cdot 10^{17}$ times hashing



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* 10^4 times for KDF

Key derivation function

- abstract
- example (WPA2 (PBKDF2))
- **hash** function
 - **used often** on a
 - **input string** and a
 - **salt**
- HMAC-SHA1
- 4096
- wifi key
- SSID

recommendations

- key derivation function, e.g.
 - **PBKDF2-HMAC-SHA256, c = 86000**
 - bcrypt, cost = 11
 - scrypt, N = 2¹⁴, r = 8, p = 1
- long salt e.g.
 - md5(username)
 - md5(time())
 - random string

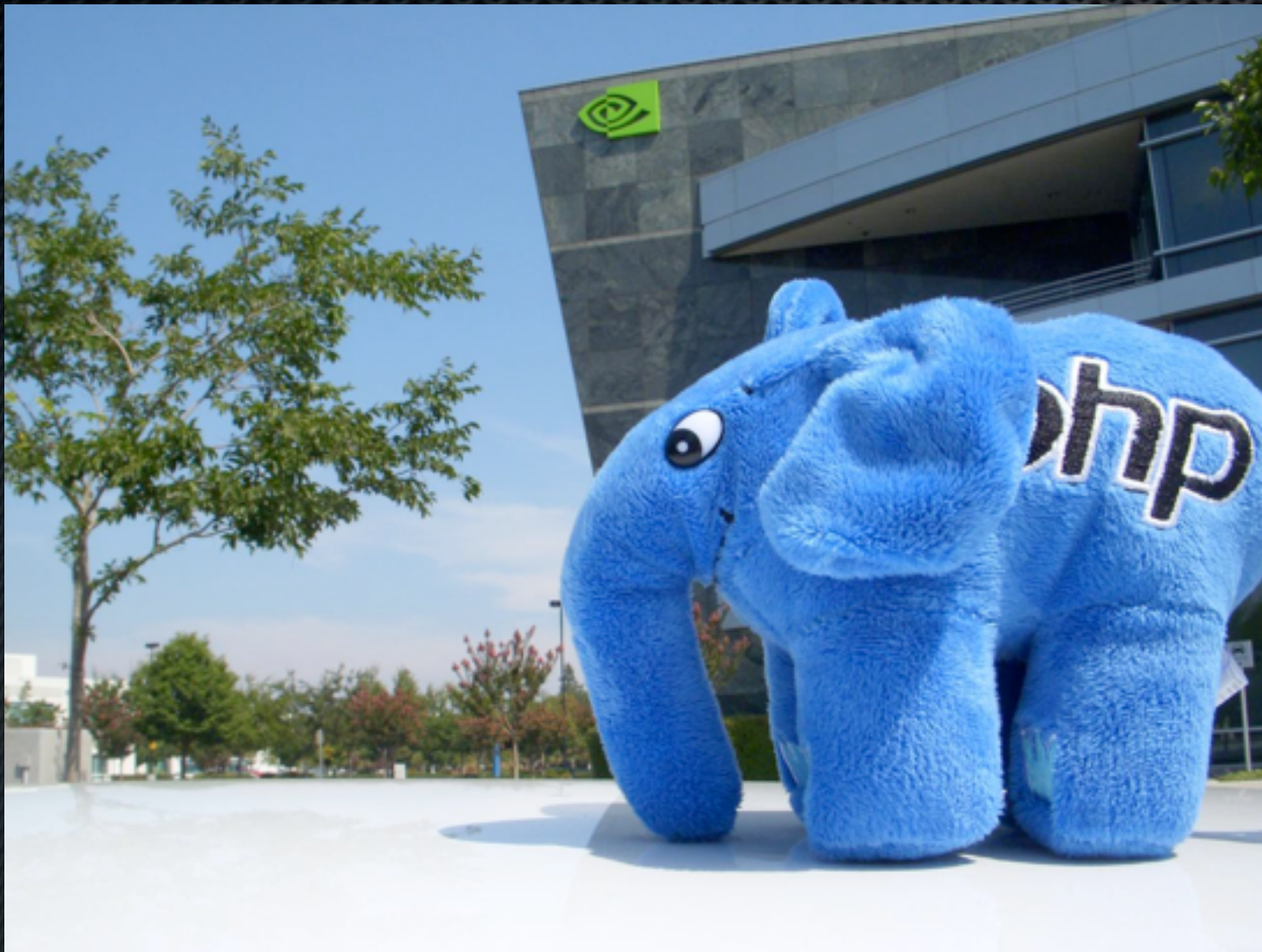
solution for magento

- ✦ Ikonoshirt_PBKDF2
- ✦ implements PBKDF2 for
 - ✦ customer passwords
 - ✦ admin user passwords
 - ✦ api passwords
- ✦ migrates passwords for all entities after login
- ✦ <https://github.com/ikonoshirt/pbkdf2>

don't forget your environment!

- ✧ HTTPS for users
 - ✧ and to the database (if needed)
- ✧ registration and password forgotten:
 - ✧ don't send passwords via mail
 - ✧ better: send link to reset the password (so the password is send via HTTPS!)

Questions?



- ✦ Questions?
Comments?
- ✦ Presentation: <http://www.ikonoshirt.de/stuff>
- ✦ Me: <http://www.fabian-blechschmidt.de>



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Munich (26. - 28.10.2012)

Price: 50 €

The 2nd Magento Hackathon Munich will take place at the office of Jarlssen, who hosted the first one in March 2012. http://bit.ly/6extensions_2days. Developers from all over Europe will join and share their experiences. Please note that this is a conference from developers for developers.

Berlin (11. - 13.1.2013)

Price: 120 €

The Magento Hackathon will take place in a nice youth hostel in the south of Berlin, Germany's capital city. An international meeting for new and nosey, as well as for experienced and committed Magento developers.

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- ✦ http://www.bsdcn.org/2009/schedule/attachments/86_scrypt_slides.pdf
- ✦ <http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2898.txt>
- ✦ <http://www.zyxist.com/en/archives/111> (not up to date. Salt + Multiple Hashing is good!)

Images

- ✦ Hashfunction: http://de.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Datei:Hash_function_long.svg&filetimestamp=20051202013811
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