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#### **Defeating the Secrets of OTP Apps**

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- —> Weak PW (user) / unsalted Hashes (provider)











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com.google.android.apps.authenticator2/databases/databases/

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42:Duo philip$ cat accounts.json
[
{
"name": "philipevalu@wegwerfemail.info", "otpGenerator": {
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"otpSecret": "HVWB64JEXHST5XG2RG5J5NFWCI" },

"logoUri": "android.resource://com.duosecurity.duomobile/drawable/ ic\_dropbox"

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#### X = Yes; O = No; - = unwanted behavior; + = wanted behavior

2FA App Name	Cloning	Encrypted	Device	PIN	Secure	Secure
	Possible	Secret	Integrity Check	Protection	SSL-Connection	OTP-Push
Google Authenticator	X-	<b>O-</b>	<b>O-</b>	<b>O-</b>	N/A	N/A
Microsoft Authenticator	X-	0-	<b>O-</b>	0-	X+	0-
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DUO Mobile	X-	0-	X+	0-	X+	X+
FreeOTP	X-	0-	0-	0-	N/A	N/A
Sophos Authenticator	X-	0-	<b>O-</b>	0-	N/A	N/A
Push Authenticator	X-	0-	0-	0-	N/A	N/A
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Yandex.Key	O+	X+	0-	X+	N/A	N/A
Symantec VIP Access	O+	X+	0-	0-	X+	X+
2FA Token	X-	0-	<b>O-</b>	0-	N/A	N/A
Launchkey	X-	N/A	0-	X+	X+	N/A
CyAuth Cylocklite	Х-	X+	<b>O-</b>	0-	X+	N/A
Topicus KeyHub	X-	0-	0-	0-	X+	N/A
Latch	O+	X+	0-	0-	<b>O-</b>	N/A
Okta Verify	O+	X+	<b>O-</b>	<b>O-</b>	X+	N/A

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  - HW token self-sufficient -> no area of attack via remote
  - "Stealing" the "shared secret" <u>undermines factor property</u>
  - 2FA apps persuade to use a single device only
  - Spread of specific malware threatens 2FA apps
  - FIDO-Alliance combines secure hardware and PKI

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# Thank you for your attention Questions? 42!

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