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A stream is an abstract interface for working with streaming data in Node.js.

Streams can be readable, writable, or both. All streams are instances of [EventEmitter](#).

There are four fundamental stream types within Node.js:

- [Writable](#): streams to which data can be written (for example, [fs.createWriteStream\(\)](#)).
- [Readable](#): streams from which data can be read (for example, [fs.createReadStream\(\)](#)).
- [Duplex](#): streams that are both Readable and Writable (for example, [net.Socket](#)).
- [Transform](#): Duplex streams that can modify or transform the data as it is written and read (for example, [zlib.createDeflate\(\)](#)).

We can chain streams together. For example, we can create a readable file stream that read a file and a pipe that stream to another writable file stream, which writes the data to a new file.

```
const fs = require('fs');

const fileReadStream = fs.createReadStream(`${__dirname}/server.js`);
const fileWriteStream = fs.createWriteStream(
  `${__dirname}/server_copy.js`,
  { flags: 'wx' }
);

fileReadStream.pipe(fileWriteStream);
```

The Basic Streaming HTTP Server

Express's request and response objects are readable and writable streams accordingly.

Let's create an HTTP streaming server that read from a file and send file content as a response.

```
const fs = require('fs');
const express = require('express');

const app = express();

app.get('/', async (req, res) => {
  const fileStream = fs.createReadStream(`${__dirname}/server.js`);
  fileStream.pipe(res);
});

app.listen(3000)
```

HTTPS server

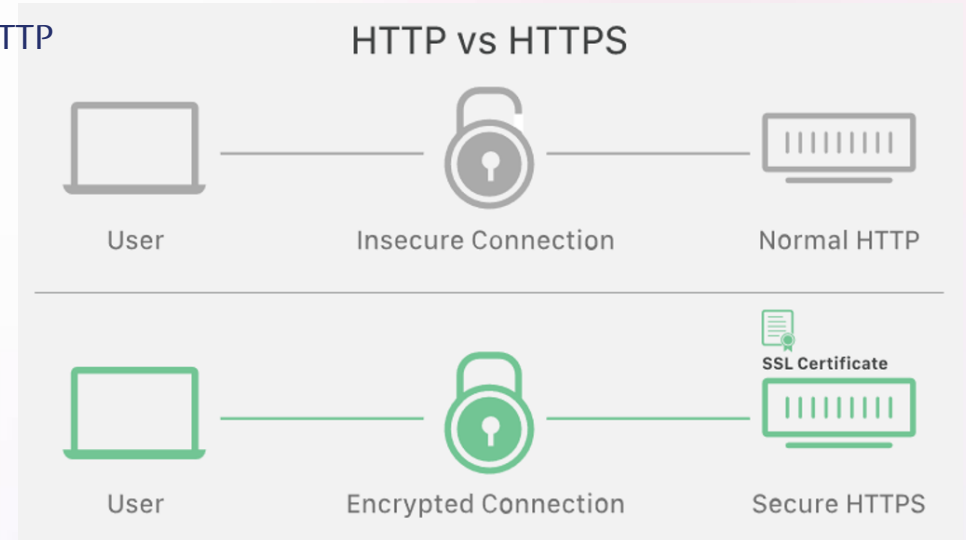
The only difference between the two protocols is that HTTPS uses [TLS \(SSL\)](#) to encrypt normal HTTP requests and responses, and to digitally sign those requests and responses.

```
const https = require("https");
const fs = require("fs");
const express = require("express");

const app = express();

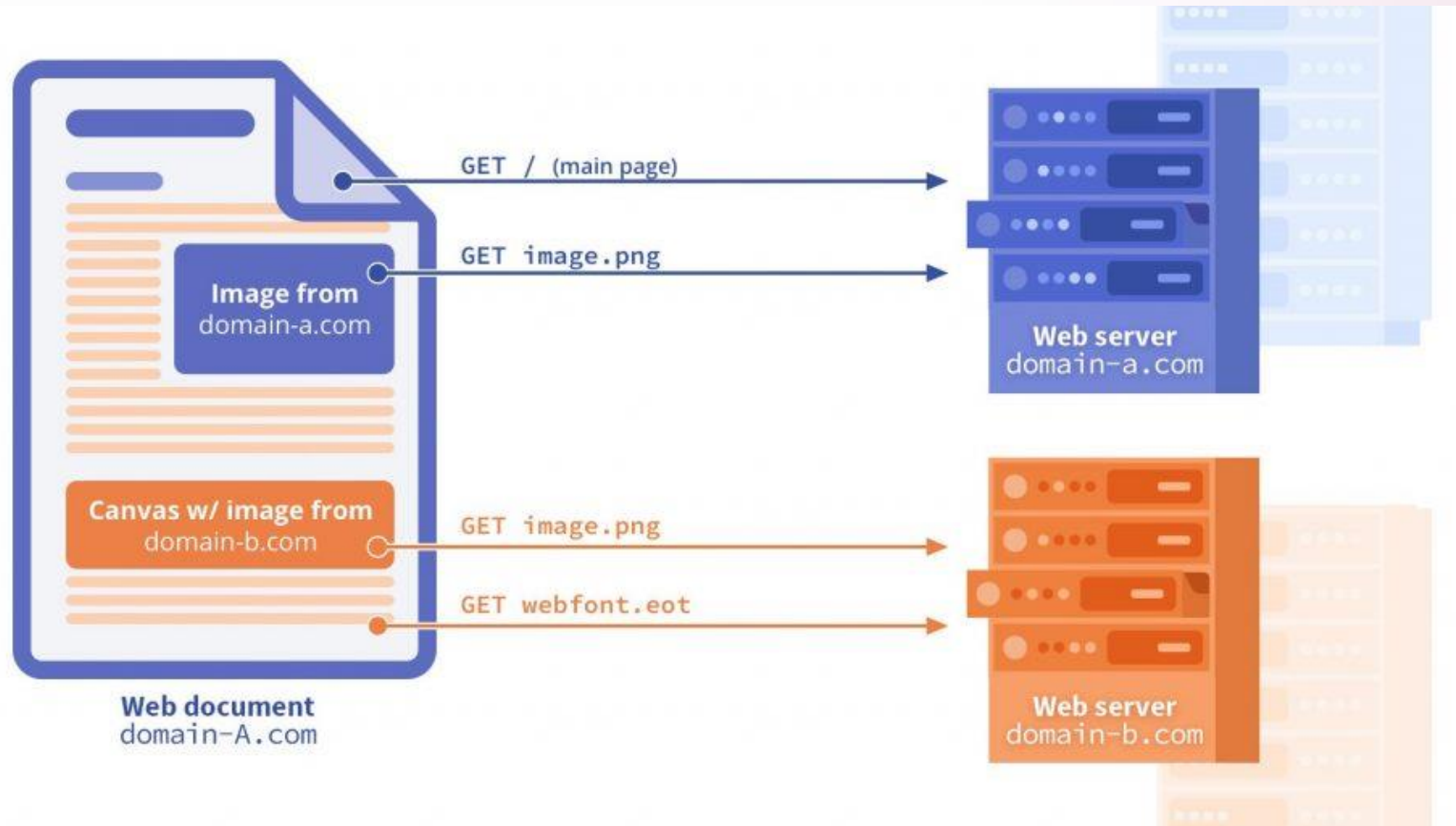
app.get('/', (req, res) => {
  res.send('Hello')
});

https
  .createServer(
    {
      key: fs.readFileSync("key.pem"),
      cert: fs.readFileSync("cert.pem"),
    },
    app
  )
  .listen(3000);
```



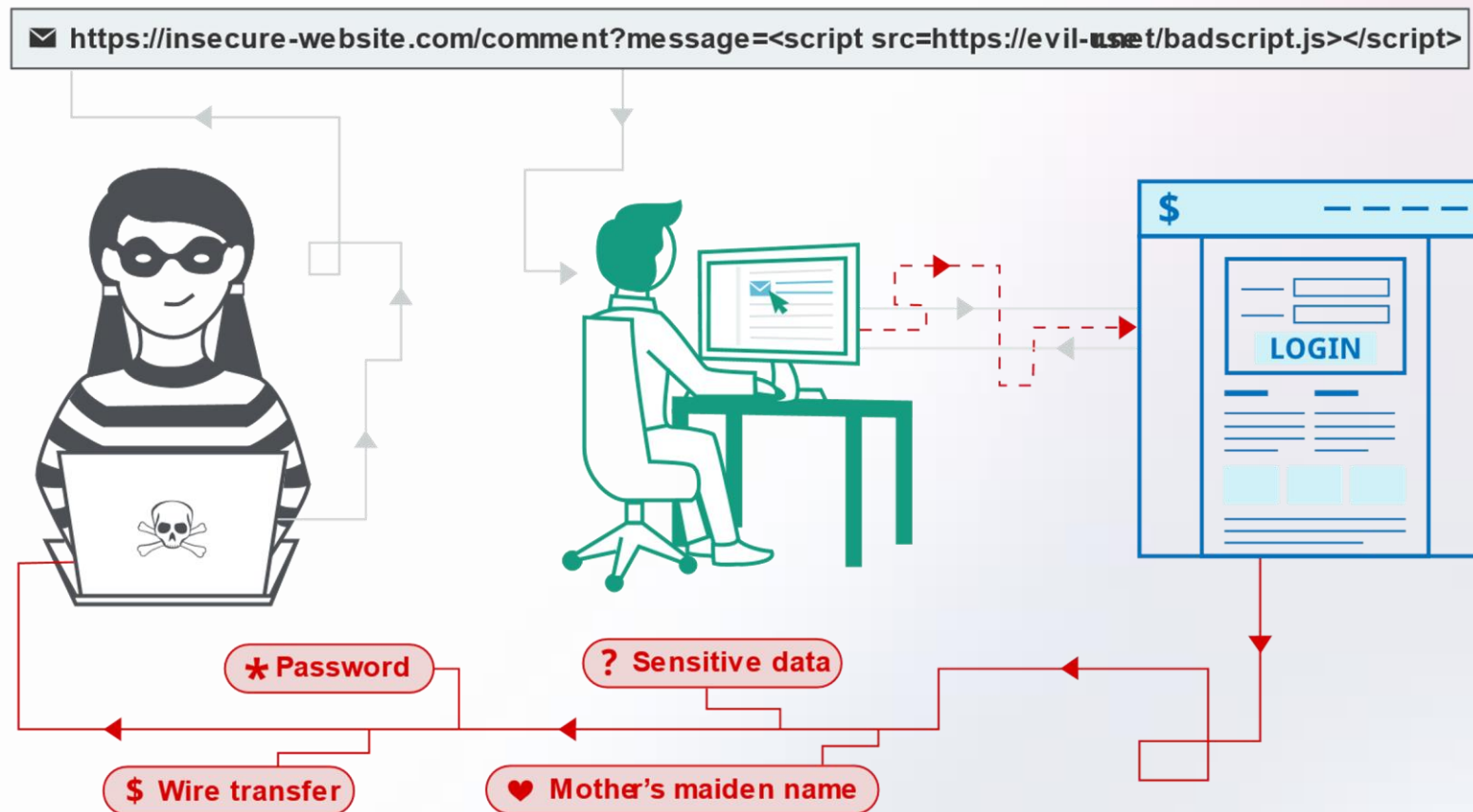
CORS

Cors stands for Cross-origin resource sharing. **Cross-origin resource sharing (CORS)** is a mechanism that allows restricted resources on a web page to be requested from another domain outside the domain from which the first resource was served.



XSS - cross-Site Scripting

Cross-site scripting works by manipulating a vulnerable web site so that it returns malicious JavaScript to users. When the malicious code executes inside a victim's browser, the attacker can fully compromise their interaction with the application.



CSRF

Cross site request forgery (CSRF) is a vulnerability where an attacker performs actions while impersonating another user. For example, **transferring funds to an attacker's account, changing a victim's email address, or they could even just redirect a pizza to an attacker's address!**

