



COMPUTER NETWORKS (CS315) LAB 3

Reference to Assignment 3



Agenda

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2. The HTTP CONDITIONAL GET/response interaction.
3. Retrieving Long Documents.
4. HTML Documents with Embedded Objects.
5. HTTP Authentication.



The Basic HTTP/GET response interaction



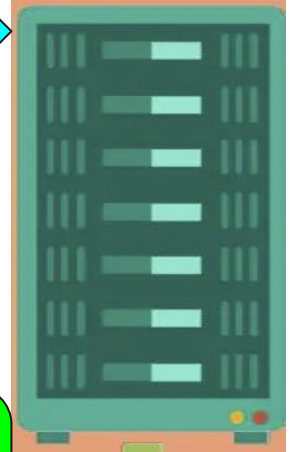
URL + GET/POST

HTTP Request GET

World Wide Web or Internet

HTTP Response

Status code + Message



Steps



HTTP GET/response

<http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file1.html>

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http

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
9047	0.000022660	10.250.8.1	128.119.245.12	HTTP	628	GET /wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file1.html HTTP/1.1
9256	0.000704850	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	305	HTTP/1.1 304 Not Modified



HTTP GET

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Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 10.250.8.1, Dst: 128.119.245.12
Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 39756, Dst Port: 80, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 562
Hypertext Transfer Protocol
  GET /wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file1.html HTTP/1.1\r\n
    Host: gaia.cs.umass.edu\r\n
    Connection: keep-alive\r\n
    Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1\r\n
    User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/85.0.4183.83 Safari/537.36\r\n
    Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/avif,image/webp,image/apng,*/*;q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3;q=0.9\r\n
    Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate\r\n
    Accept-Language: en-GB,en-US;q=0.9,en;q=0.8\r\n
    If-None-Match: "80-5ba40e38266cc"\r\n
    If-Modified-Since: Mon, 01 Feb 2021 06:59:01 GMT\r\n
  \r\n
  [Full request URI: http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file1.html]
  [HTTP request 1/1]
  [Response in frame: 9256]

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HTTP Response



1. HTTP Response is the packet of information sent by Server to the Client in response to an earlier Request made by Client.
2. HTTP response status codes indicate whether a specific HTTP request has been successfully completed. Responses are grouped in five classes:
 3. Informational responses (100–199)
 4. Successful responses (200–299)
 5. Redirects (300–399)
 6. Client errors (400–499)
 7. Server errors (500–599)
3. HTTP response also displays date, last modified, content length, content type, file date, etc.
4. HTTP response message consists of a status line, followed by header lines, followed by a blank line, followed by the entity body.

http						
No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
34	0.004813839	10.250.8.1	128.119.245.12	HTTP	543	GET /wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file1.html HTTP/1.1
42	0.022882651	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	552	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)

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▶ Ethernet II, Src: ExtremeNetworks_9a:82:e8 (02:04:96:9a:82:e8), Dst: HewlettP_24:d6:fe (a0:8c:fd:24:d6:fe)
▶ Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 128.119.245.12, Dst: 10.250.8.1
▶ Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 80, Dst Port: 46488, Seq: 1, Ack: 478, Len: 486
▼ Hypertext Transfer Protocol
  ▶ HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\n
    Date: Tue, 02 Feb 2021 06:59:08 GMT\r\n
    Server: Apache/2.4.6 (CentOS) OpenSSL/1.0.2k-fips PHP/7.4.14 mod_perl/2.0.11 Perl/v5.16.3\r\n
    Last-Modified: Tue, 02 Feb 2021 06:59:02 GMT\r\n
    ETag: "80-5ba55016870ef"\r\n
    Accept-Ranges: bytes\r\n
    Content-Length: 128\r\n
    Keep-Alive: timeout=5, max=100\r\n
    Connection: Keep-Alive\r\n
    Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8\r\n
    \r\n
    [HTTP response 1/1]
    [Time since request: 0.574504862 seconds]
    [Request in frame: 34]

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2. The HTTP CONDITIONAL GET/response interaction

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URL + GET/POST

HTTP Request GET

HTTP Conditional GET

If-Modified-Since- date
If-None-Match-etag

World Wide Web or Internet

HTTP Response

HTTP 1.1/ 304 Not modified



File cached
after 1st
request

Steps



HTTP CONDITIONAL GET/response

1. Start up your web browser, and make sure your browser's cache is cleared.
2. Start up the Wireshark packet sniffer
3. Enter the following URL into your browser <http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file2.html>
Your browser should display a very simple five-line HTML file.
4. Quickly enter the same URL into your browser again (or simply select the refresh button on your browser).
5. Stop Wireshark packet capture, and enter "http" in the display-filter-specification window,

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http						
No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
26	0.005875991	10.250.8.1	128.119.245.12	HTTP	434	GET /wireshark-labs/HT
30	0.207829276	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	796	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text
32	0.122415533	10.250.8.1	128.119.245.12	HTTP	315	GET /favicon.ico HTTP/
34	0.296467615	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	550	HTTP/1.1 404 Not Found
47	0.000409005	10.250.8.1	128.119.245.12	HTTP	546	GET /wireshark-labs/HT
53	0.079110196	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	305	HTTP/1.1 304 Not Modif

Hypertext Transfer Protocol

- GET /wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file2.html HTTP/1.1\r\n
 Host: gaia.cs.umass.edu\r\n
 User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86_64; rv:78.0) Gecko/20100101 Firefox/78.0\r\n
 Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/webp,*/*;q=0.8\r\n
 Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.5\r\n
 Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate\r\n
 Connection: keep-alive\r\n
 Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1\r\n
 If-Modified-Since: Tue, 02 Feb 2021 06:59:02 GMT\r\n
 If-None-Match: "173-5ba550168691f"\r\n
 Cache-Control: max-age=0\r\n
 \r\n
 [Full request URI: http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file2.html]
 [HTTP request 3/3]
 [Prev request in frame: 32]
 [Response in frame: 53]

TRANSUM RTE Data

- **If-Modified-Since HTTP header**

indicates the time for which a browser first downloaded a resource from the server. This helps to determine whether the resource has changed or not, since the last time it was accessed. If the status of a particular resource is 304 Not Modified, this means that the file has not changed and there is no need to download it again.

- **If-None-Match HTTP Header**


- **Cache-control HTTP Header**

It is used to specify browser caching policies in both client requests and server responses. Policies include how a resource is cached, where it's cached and its maximum age before expiring (i.e., time to live).

Server returning content of file explicitly

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53	0.079110196	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	305	HTTP/1.1 304 Not Modified

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[HTTP response 1/3]
[Time since request: 0.587357736 seconds]
[Request in frame: 26]
[Next request in frame: 32]
[Next response in frame: 34]
[Request URI: http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file2.html]
File Data: 371 bytes
▼ Line-based text data: text/html (10 lines)
  \n
  <html>\n
  \n
  Congratulations again! Now you've downloaded the file lab2-2.html. <br>\n
  This file's last modification date will not change. <p>\n
  Thus if you download this multiple times on your browser, a complete copy <br>\n
  will only be sent once by the server due to the inclusion of the IN-MODIFIED-SINCE<br>\n
  field in your browser's HTTP GET request to the server.\n
  \n
  </html>\n
```





3. Retrieving Long Documents

Retrieving Long Documents



- We are downloading a large document which is around 4500 bytes in size.
- But 4500 bytes is too large to fit in one TCP packet.
- So the single HTTP response message is thus broken into several pieces by TCP, with each piece being contained within a separate TCP segment.
- Each TCP segment is recorded as a separate packet by Wireshark, and the fact that the single HTTP response was fragmented across multiple TCP packets.

Retrieving Long Documents

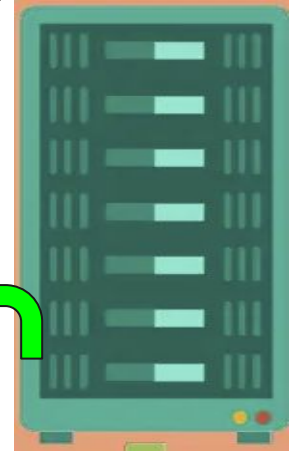


HTTP Request GET



World Wide Web or Internet

HTTP Response



Reassembled TCP
total data 4861
bytes

1448 bytes

2896 bytes

517 bytes

Retrieving Long Documents

Steps



What does TCP segment of reassembled PDU means?



What is Payload?


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TCP segment data (517 bytes)
▼ [3 Reassembled TCP Segments (4861 bytes): #60(1448), #62(2896), #64(517)]
  [Frame: 60, payload: 0-1447 (1448 bytes)]
  [Frame: 62, payload: 1448-4343 (2896 bytes)]
  [Frame: 64, payload: 4344-4860 (517 bytes)]
  [Segment count: 3]
  [Reassembled TCP length: 4861]
  [Reassembled TCP Data: 485454502f312e3120323030204f4b0d0a446174653a2054...]
```

Here we see three TCP segments as the segment count is 3.

1. Frame : 60 with 1448 bytes
2. Frame : 62 with 2896 bytes
3. Frame : 64 with 517 bytes

Total data transmitted = $1448 + 2896 + 517$
= 4861 bytes



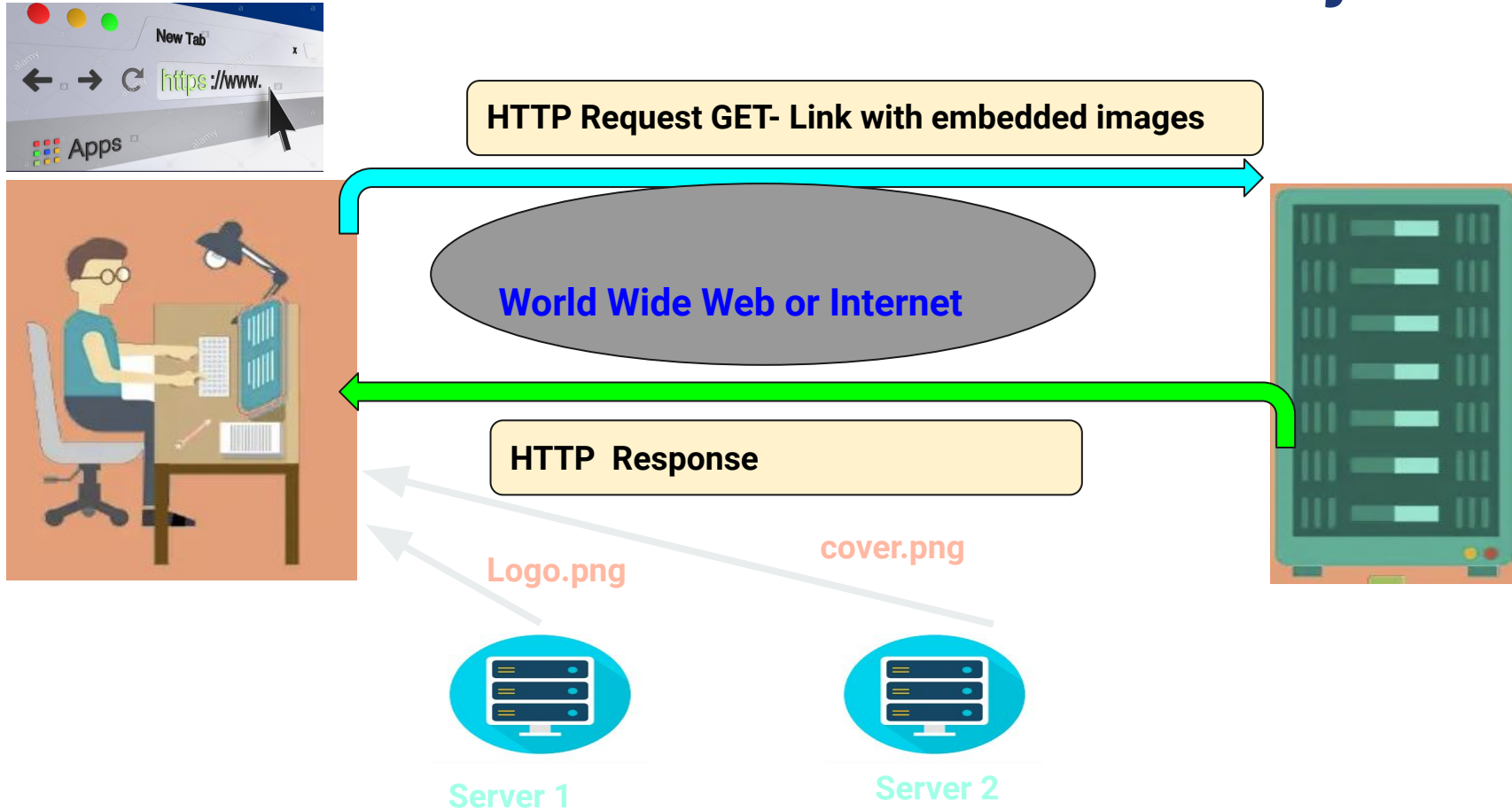
4. HTML Documents with Embedded Objects

HTML Documents with Embedded Objects



- We are downloading the file with embedded objects i.e., a file that includes other objects (here image files) that are stored on another server(s).
- The images themselves are not contained in the HTML; instead the URLs for the images are contained in the downloaded HTML file.
- The browser will retrieve these images from the indicated web sites.

HTML Documents with Embedded Objects



HTML Documents with Embedded Objects

Steps

1. Start up your web browser, and make sure your browser's cache is cleared, as discussed above.
2. Start up the Wireshark packet sniffer.
3. Enter the following URL into your browser <http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file4.html>
Your browser should display a short HTML file with two images.
4. Stop Wireshark packet capture, and enter “http” in the display-filter-specification window, so that only captured HTTP messages will be displayed.


http_documents_with_embedded_objects.pcapng

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http

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105	0.000047813	10.250.8.1	128.119.245.12	HTTP	543	GET /wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file4.html HTTP/1.1
110	0.253226395	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	1367	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
112	0.045889751	10.250.8.1	128.119.245.12	HTTP	475	GET /pearson.png HTTP/1.1
121	0.000003920	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	781	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (PNG)
131	0.000259243	10.250.8.1	178.79.137.164	HTTP	442	GET /8E_cover_small.jpg HTTP/1.1
156	0.254971761	178.79.137.164	10.250.8.1	HTTP	237	HTTP/1.1 301 Moved Permanently

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- In the screenshot, we can see two 3 HTTP GET requests. One for when we enter the url. Other two are when the images are downloaded.
 - The publisher's logo is retrieved from the `gaia.cs.umass.edu` web site. The image of the cover for the 5th edition is stored at the `caite.cs.umass.edu` server. (These are two different web servers inside `cs.umass.edu`).

We see two web servers here

1. 128.119.245.12 - for downloading `pearson.png` image (logo image)
2. 178.79.137.164 - for downloading cover page image

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http

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121	0.000003920	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	781	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (PNG) 1st image download
131	0.000250243	10.250.8.1	178.79.137.164	HTTP	442	GET /8E_cover_small.jpg HTTP/1.1
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5. HTTP Authentication



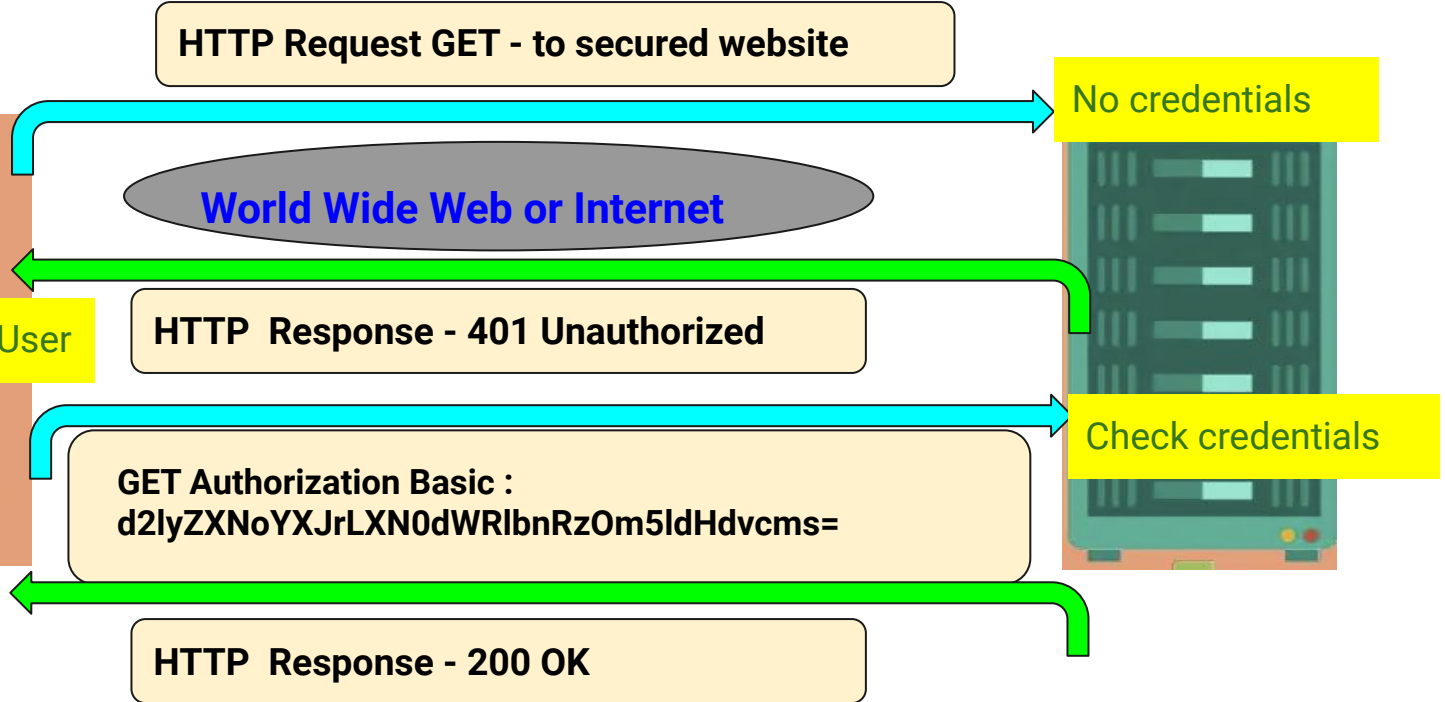
HTTP Authentication



The HTTP authentication scheme works as follows:

- The client sends a request to the server for a specific page or an API resource.
- The server responds to the client with a 401 (Unauthorized) status code and provides information on how to authorize with the WWW-Authenticate header.
- The client then sends another request, including the Authorization header with credentials.
- If the credentials are valid, the server responds with the requested page or an API resource or with the 403 (Forbidden) status code if the credentials are invalid.

HTTP Authentication



HTTP Authentication

Steps

1. Make sure your browser's cache is cleared, as discussed earlier, and close down your browser.
2. Then, start up your browser.
3. Start up the Wireshark packet sniffer • Enter the following URL into your browser http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/wireshark-labs/protected_pages/HTTP-wiresharkfile5.html Type the requested user name and password into the pop up box.
4. Stop Wireshark packet capture, and enter “http” in the display-filter-specification window

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http

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24	0.000025006	10.250.8.1	128.119.245.12	HTTP	559	GET /wireshark-labs/protected_pages/HTTP-wireshark-file5.html HTTP/1.1
27	0.000509212	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	783	HTTP/1.1 401 Unauthorized (text/html)
160	0.001810477	10.250.8.1	128.119.245.12	HTTP	644	GET /wireshark-labs/protected_pages/HTTP-wireshark-file5.html HTTP/1.1
162	0.294169192	128.119.245.12	10.250.8.1	HTTP	556	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)

We see two HTTP GET and HTTP responses.

1. The first HTTP GET loads the entered URL in the browser.
1. The second HTTP response is sent as a response to first HTTP GET. The status code of the server response to the initial **HTTP GET** request was **401 Unauthorized**. The **401 Unauthorized Error** is HTTP status code error that represented the request sent by the client to the server lacks **valid authentication** credentials.
1. The second HTTP GET loads the URL again after entering username and password. The second HTTP GET request include the field "**Authorization: Basic**" with the **username** and **password** that was entered.
1. The second HTTP response has status code 200 OK.

- The username (**wireshark-students**) and password (**network**) that you entered are encoded in the string of characters (**d2lyZXNoYXJrLXN0dWRIbnRzOm5ldHdvems=**) in the **"Authorization: Basic"** header of client's HTTP GET message.
- The string highlighted in red is username and highlighted in blue is password.
- We can decode the encrypted username and password with the following website [:https://www.motobit.com/util/base64-decoder-encoder.asp](https://www.motobit.com/util/base64-decoder-encoder.asp).

THANK YOU