

SSL and CGI and Everything else

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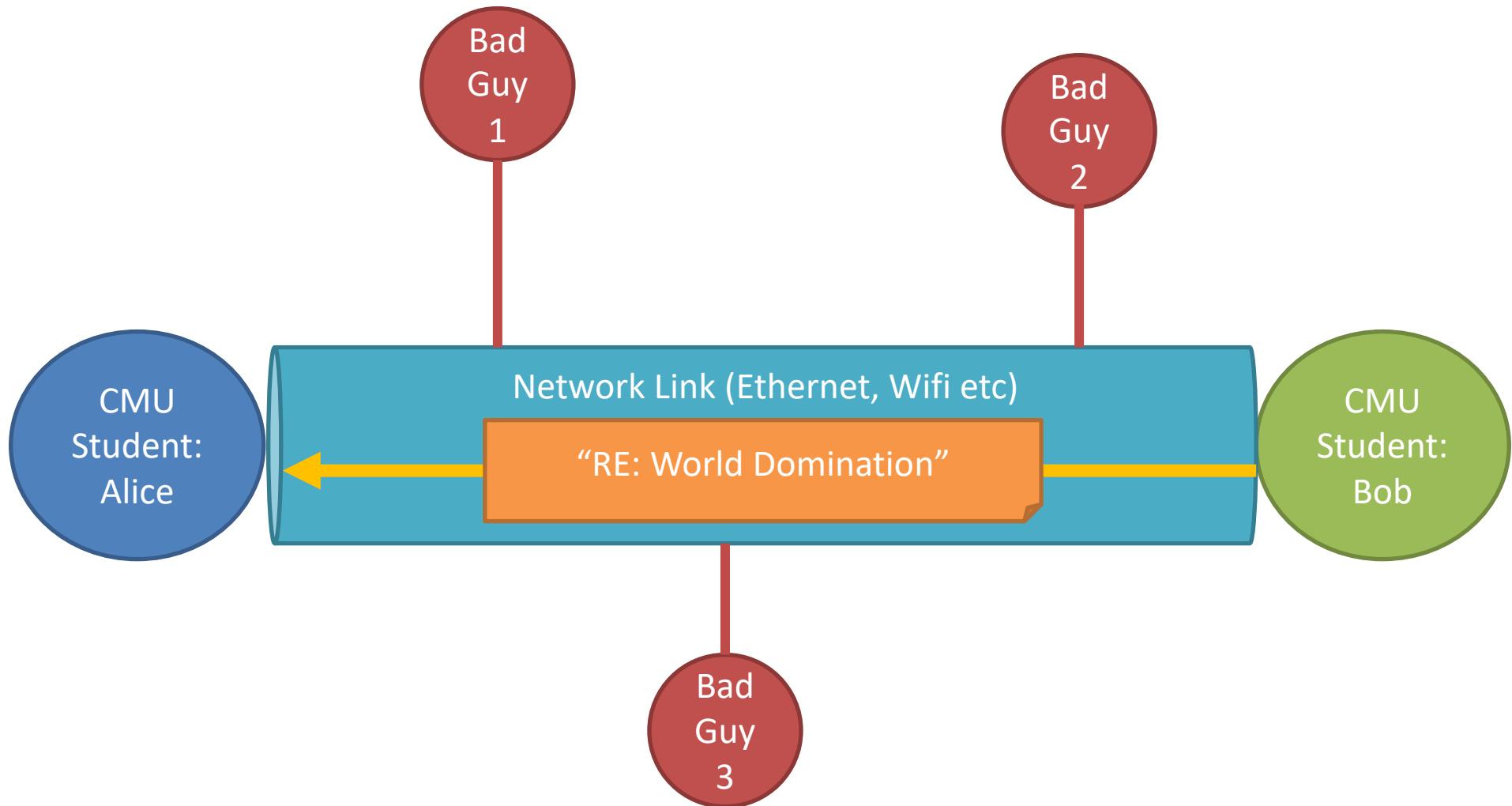
P1 Final Submission

- (1) SSL
- (2) CGI
- (3) Daemonize

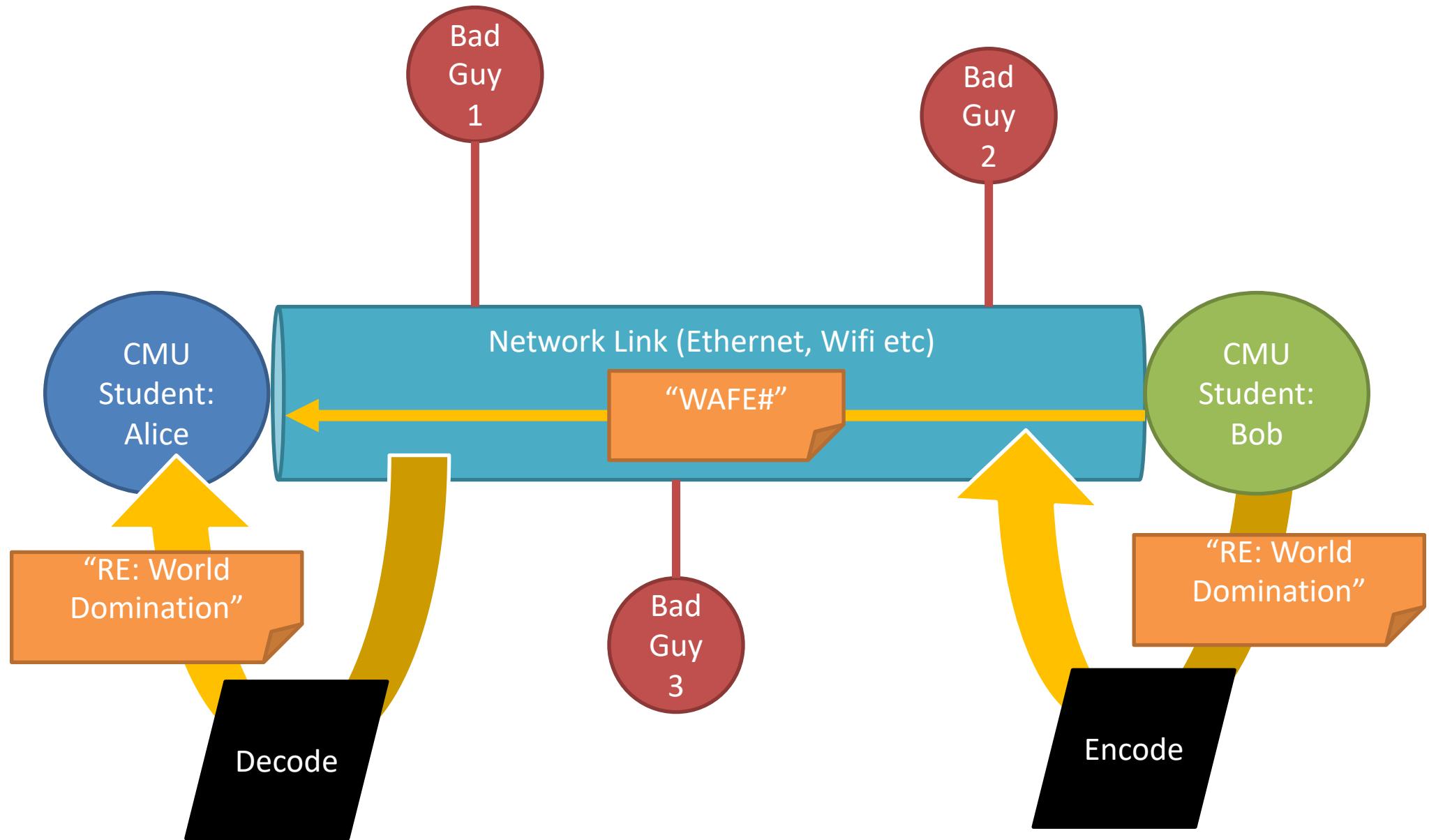
SSL

Adding the
“S” in HTTPS

Lets talk about Security



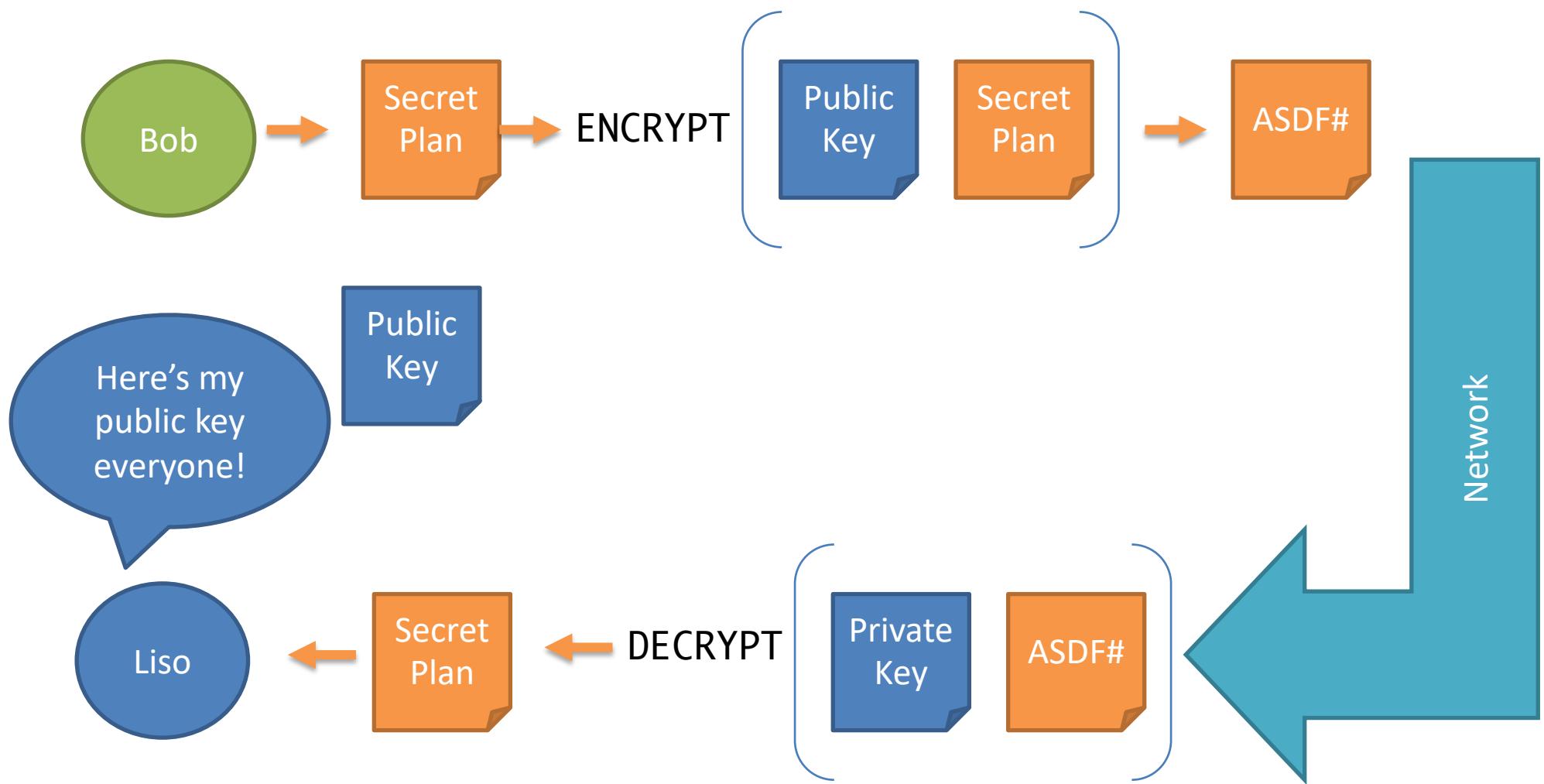
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Public-Private Key Encryption

1. Generate two keys – **Private Key** and **Public Key**
2. Messages can be **encrypted** using the **Public Key**
3. Messages can be **decrypted** using the **Private Key**
4. Everyone knows my public key – that’s why it’s “public”
5. Only I know my private key - that’s why it’s “private”

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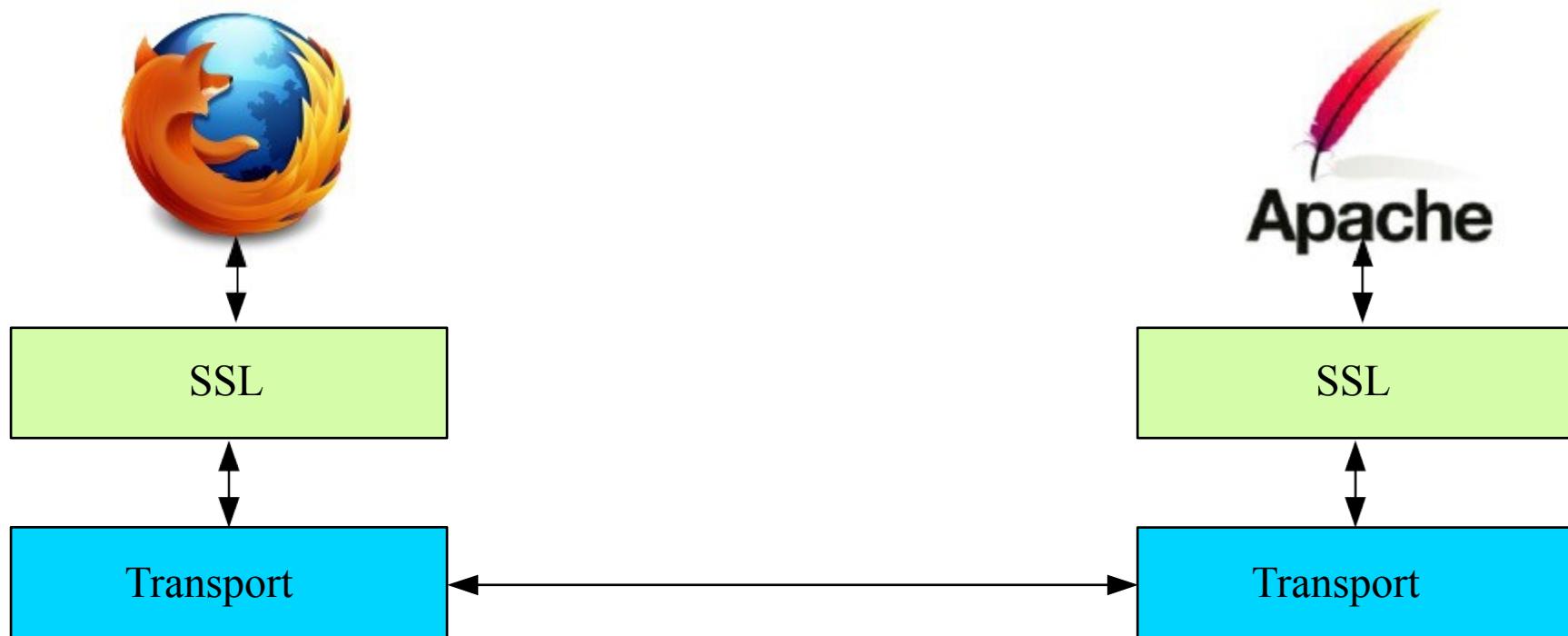


Implementing an...

SSL Server

What is SSL?

- Standard behind secure communication on the Internet.
- Provides confidentiality & integrity
- Sits between transport & application



Implementing SSL: Getting the files

1. Get free domain name from www.noip.com
2. Get the public certificate file and private key file
from <https://project1.myheartisinthennetwork.com>

Extra slides at the end will have more detailed info
on how to go about this...

Implementing SSL: Coding

1. Look at the provided SSL Example code and learn how to wrap a connection with SSL
2. Modify your server to take in a HTTPS port
3. Bind socket to this port and add it to your select `read_fds`
4. When you get a new connection on this port, accept connection, wrap it in SSL
5. Do the rest as usual, but read and write using `SSL_read` and `SSL_write` functions

CGI

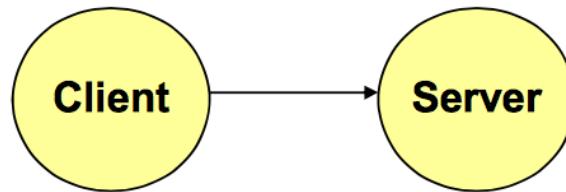
What is CGI?

- A standard method used to generate dynamic content on Web pages and Web applications.
- Provides an interface between the Web server and programs that generate the Web content.
- Usually written in a scripting language.

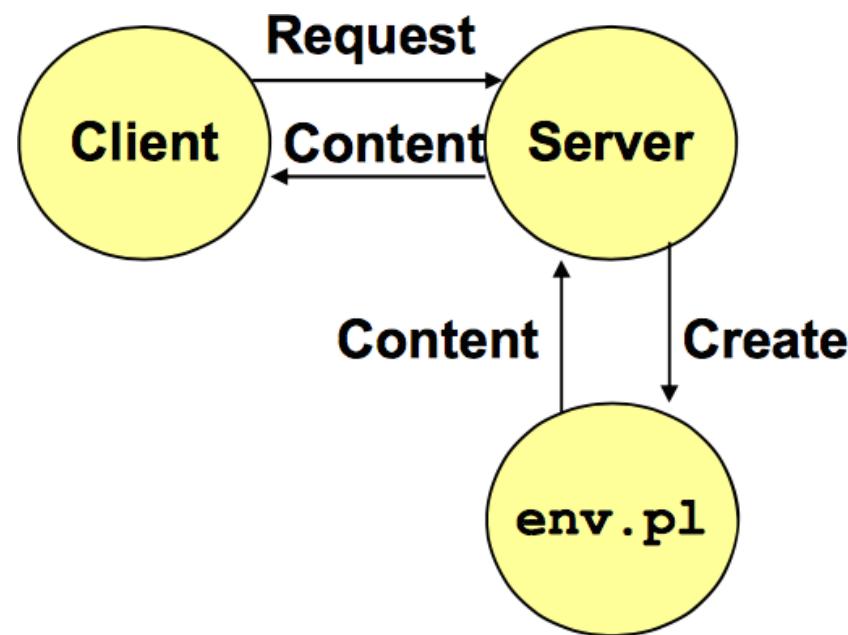
Serving Dynamic Content

- A Web server that supports CGI can be configured to interpret a URL that it serves as a reference to a CGI script.
- A common convention is to have a cgi/directory containing the CGI scripts.

GET /cgi/horoscope.py HTTP/1.1



- The server **forks** a child process and runs the program identified by the **URI** in that process.
- The server captures the content of the child and forwards it without modification to the client.



How does the client pass arguments to the server?

- GET: The arguments are appended to the URI can be encoded directly in a URL typed to a browser or a URL in an HTML link.
 - A question mark appended to the URL, followed by param=value pairs.
 - e.g. <http://name.com/cgi/find?first=justine&last=sherry>
- POST: The arguments are passed in the request body.
 - e.g. name="mark"

How does the server pass arguments to the cgi program?

- Environment Variables
 - set before execution.
 - passed through `execve`.
 - list of required environmental variables is available on the writeup
- Request body
 - request body passed to the cgi program's stdin using `dup2` and `pipe`

Implementing CGI: Coding

1. Check if URI starts with “/cgi/”
2. Parse the args in the URI
3. Fork a child
4. Set environment variables
5. Execute script
6. Pass in request body from parent through pipe
7. Add child -> parent pipe to select loop
8. Pass on everything you get from the child, back to the client...you are now a proxy (cue 213 flashbacks)

Daemonizing

What is a daemon?

- A background process that is supposed to run “forever”
- Does not exit when you exit the terminal
- Does not receive any input from or write to stdin/out
- Hard to observe or accidentally kill
- We want lisod to be a daemon, that’s what the “d” was for all along
- We provide most of the code for daemon-izing so don’t worry

Extras



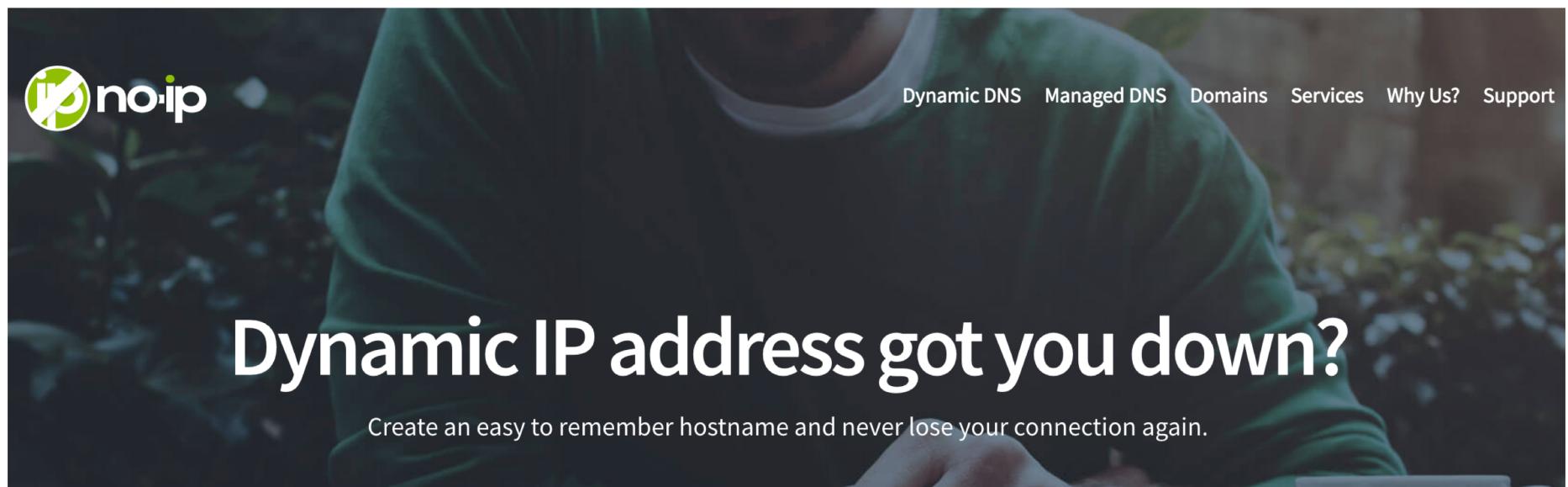
Look at handout for
SSL examples, CGI
code, and daemonize.c

Getting a...

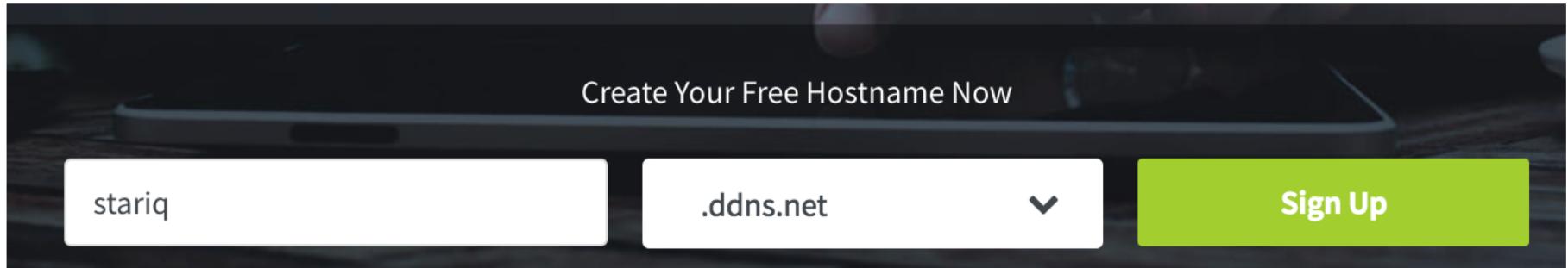
Domain Name

Create a Domain Name

- Get a **free** domain name from <https://www.noip.com/>



- Use your **Andrew ID** as the **hostname**



Get the Update Client



- You don't have root, so...
 - Just build (**make**), don't install (**make install**)
 - Run manually when your IP changes

Create No-IP Conf File

```
./noip2 -C -c noip.conf
```

```
[stariq@unix3 ~]# ./noip2 -C -c noip.conf
```

Auto configuration for Linux client of no-ip.com.

Please enter the **login/email** string for no-ip.com

<username>

Please enter the **password** for user '<username>'

* * * * *

Only one host [stariq.ddns.net] is registered to this account. It will be used.

Please enter an update interval:[30]

Do you wish to run something at successful update?[N] (y/N)

New configuration file 'noip.conf' created.

Update Your IP Address

`./noip2 -c noip.conf -i 108.17.82.243`

```
[stariq@unix3 ~/noip-2.1.9-1]$ ./noip2 -c noip.conf -i 108.17.82.243 IP  
address detected on command line.
```

Running in single use mode.

Getting ...

Keys

Get your public certificate and private key

<https://project1.myheartisinthennetwork.com>

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Please enter your details below after getting a DynDNS (or other) DNS name.

You also should add (for testing purposes) the [signing CA](#) to your browser.

Certificate Creation Details:

Andrew ID:

DNS Name:

Email Address:

| |
|-----------------------|
| stariq |
| stariq.ddns.net |
| stariq@andrew.cmu.edu |

Get your public certificate and private key

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Don't forget to add the [signing CA](#) to your browser.

Here is your [private key](#). Don't let anyone get that...although we aren't really secure here, are we? Oh, and your [public certificate](#).

SSL

Extra

OpenSSL Toolkit

- Command line tools, **SSL library**, and crypto library
- Can do a lot more than SSL
 - Message digests
 - Encryption and decryption of files
 - Digital certificates (more later)
 - Digital signatures
 - Random number generation

Open SSL headers

```
/* OpenSSL headers */  
#include <openssl/bio.h>  
#include <openssl/ssl.h>  
#include <openssl/err.h>
```

SSL Server Basics

```
/*step 1: Initialize Library */
SSL_load_error_strings();
SSL_library_init();
/* Step 2: Initialize SSLContext to v1 */
ssl_context = SSL_CTX_new(TLSv1_server_method())
/* Step 3: Add your private key to the context */
SSL_CTX_use_PrivateKey_file(ssl_context, "my.key",
                            SSL_FILETYPE_PEM)
/* Step 4: Add your public key (certificate) to the context */
SSL_CTX_use_certificate_file(ssl_context, "my.crt",
                             SSL_FILETYPE_PEM)
/* Step 5: Make a listening socket and wait for a connection */
/* Step 6: Accept an incoming connection */
client_sock = accept(sock, (struct sockaddr *) &cli_addr,
                     &cli_size))
/* Step 7: Create a new instance of the context for the client */
client_context = SSL_new(ssl_context)
/* Step 8: Wrap the client socket with TLS */
SSL_set_fd(client_context, client_sock)
/* Step 9: Finalize the SSLConnection */
SSL_accept(client_context)
/* Step 10: Add to the select loop like any other socket but
remember that this socket uses SSL*/
/* Step 11: Use SSL_read and SSL_write to receive and send data
SSL_read(client_context, buf, BUF_SIZE)
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/* Step 12: Clean UpState
SSL_shutdown(client_context);
SSL_free(client_context);
close_socket(client_sock);
close_socket(sock);
SSL_CTX_free(ssl_context);
```

Initialization Steps

- Global System Initialize
 - `SSL_library_init()`
 - `SSL_load_error_strings()`
- Initialize `SSL_METHOD` and `SSL_CTX`
 - `meth=SSLv23_method();`
 - `ctx=SSL_CTX_new(meth);`
- Loading keys
 - `SSL_CTX_use_certificate_file(...)`
 - `SSL_CTX_use_PrivateKey_file(...)`

Global Initialization

- `SSL_library_init()`
 - registers the available SSL/TLS ciphers and digests.
- `SSL_load_error_strings()`
 - Provide readable error messages.

SSL_METHOD

- To describe protocol versions
- SSLv1, SSLv2 and TLSv1

```
SSL_METHOD* meth = TLSv1_method();
```

SSL_CTX

- Data structure to store keying material
- Reused for all connections; make ONE for your server

```
SSL_CTX* ctx = SSL_CTX_new(meth);
```

SSL_CTX_use_certificate_file()

- Loads the first certificate stored in file into ctx.
- The formatting type of the certificate must be specified from the known types
 - SSL_FILETYPE_PEM
 - SSL_FILETYPE_ASN1.
 - Our CA generates files of PEM format

```
int SSL_CTX_use_certificate_file(SSL_CTX *ctx,  
const char *file, int type);
```

SSL_CTX_use_PrivateKey_file()

- Adds the first private key found in file to ctx.
- The formatting type of the certificate must be specified from the known types:
 - SSL_FILETYPE_PEM
 - SSL_FILETYPE_ASN1.
 - Our CA generates files of PEM format

```
int SSL_CTX_use_PrivateKey_file(SSL_CTX *ctx, const
char *file, int type);
```

Wrapping Connections

- Create new SSL structure using `SSL_new()`
- Connect it to the socket using `SSL_set_fd()`
- Perform handshake using `SSL_accept()`
- Read and write using `SSL_read()` and `SSL_write()`
- Perform shutdown at the end, also need to clear state and close underlying I/O socket etc.
- As always, check for return value and handle errors appropriately!

SSL_new()

- Creates a new SSL structure
- Create one **per connection**
- Inherits the settings of the underlying context.

```
SSL* ssl = SSL_new(ctx);
```

SSL_set_fd()

- Tell the SSL object which socket it will wrap

```
int SSL_set_fd(SSL *ssl, int fd);
```

SSL_accept

- `SSL_accept` - wait for a TLS/SSL client to initiate a TLS/SSL handshake

```
int SSL_accept(SSL *ssl)
```

- (Do this after a standard `accept()`.)

SSL_read and SSL_write

- **SSL_read** to read bytes from a TLS/SSL connection
`int SSL_read(SSL *ssl, void *buf, int num);`
- **SSL_write** to write bytes to a TLS/SSL connection
`int SSL_write(SSL *ssl, const void *buf, int num);`
- NOTE:
 - The data are received in records (with a maximum record size of 16kB for SSLv3/TLSv1).
 - Only when a record has been completely received, it can be processed (decryption and integrity check)

SSL_shutdown

- Shuts down an active TLS/SSL connection.

```
int SSL_shutdown(SSL *ssl);
```

- (Then do a standard **close()**.)

BIO - Optional

- I/O abstraction provided by OpenSSL
- Hides the underlying I/O and can set up connection with any I/O (socket, buFer, ssl etc)
- BIOs can be stacked on top of each other using push and pop!
- NOTE: You **don't** have to necessarily use BIO for this project! The next few slides describe creating BIO and working with it.

BIO_new()

- Returns a new BIO using method type.
- Check BIO_s_socket(), BIO_f_buffer(), BIO_f_ssl()
- Check BIO_new_socket()

```
BIO * BIO_new(BIO_s_socket());  
BIO_set_fd(sbio, sock, BIO_NOCLOSE);
```

SSL_set_bio()

- Connects the BIOs rbio and wbio for the read and write operations of the TLS/SSL (encrypted) side of ssl

```
void SSL_set_bio(SSL *ssl, BIO *rbio, BIO *wbio)
```

Example of Stacking BIOs

```
buf_io = BIO_new(BIO_f_buffer());  
/* create a buffer BIO */  
  
ssl_bio = BIO_new(BIO_f_ssl());  
/* create an ssl BIO */  
  
BIO_set_ssl(ssl_bio, ssl, BIO_CLOSE);  
/* assign the ssl BIO to SSL */  
  
BIO_push(buf_io, ssl_bio);
```

BIO_read() and BIO_write()

- Attempts to read len bytes from BIO b and places the data in buf.

```
int BIO_read(BIO *b, void *buf, int len);
```

- Attempts to write len bytes from buf to BIO b.

```
int BIO_write(BIO *b, const void *buf, int len);
```

Daemonizing

Extra

How to make a daemon?

- Start by making an orphan
- Fork the process to create a copy (child)
Let parent exit!
- The child will become child of **init** process
 - Start operating in the background

```
int pid = fork();
if (pid < 0) exit(EXIT_FAILURE); /* fork error */
if (pid > 0) exit(EXIT_SUCCESS); /* parent exits */
/* child (daemon) continues */
```

Process Independence

- Process inherits parent's controlling tty;
need to detach
- Server should not receive signals from the
process that started it
- Operate independently from other
processes

`setsid()` /*obtain a new process group*/

Close File Descriptors

- Close all open descriptors inherited

```
int i;  
for (i = getdtablesize(); i >= 0; --i)  
    close(i);
```

- Connect standard I/O descriptors (stdin 0, stdout 1, stderr 2) to /dev/null

```
i = open("/dev/null",O_RDWR);           /* open stdin */  
dup(i) /* stdout */  
dup(i) /* stderr */
```

File Creation Mask

- Servers run as super-user
- Need to protect the files they create
- File creation mode is 750 (complement of 027)

```
umask(027);
```

Running Directory

- Server should run in a known directory

```
chdir("/servers/");
```

Mutual Exclusion

- We want only one copy of the server (file locking)
- Record pid of the running instance!
 - 'cat lisod.lock' more efficient than 'ps -ef | grep lisod'

```
lfp = open(lock_file, O_RDWR|O_CREAT, 0640); if  
(lfp < 0)  
    exit(EXIT_FAILURE); /* cannot open */ if  
(lockf(lfp, F_TLOCK, 0) < 0)  
    exit(EXIT_SUCCESS); /* cannot lock */  
  
sprintf(str, "%d\n", getpid());  
  
write(lfp, str, strlen(str)); /*record pid to lockfile */
```

Logging

- You sent stdout and stderr to /dev/null, so you need to log to a file!