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Notions of cryptography

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Nevertheless, it's interesting so let's talk about it.



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Which one is it?

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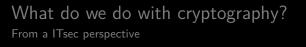
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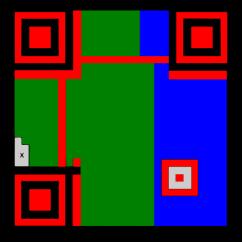
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Anatomy of a QR Code v3 level H.

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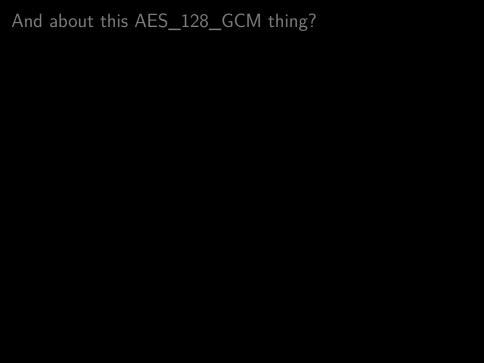
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"Diffie-Hellman key-exchange" (CDH, DDH).



ECDHE_RSA stands for Elliptic Curve Diffie-Hellman key-exchange, signed with RSA.



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