

HTTP Security

Cookies and Authentication

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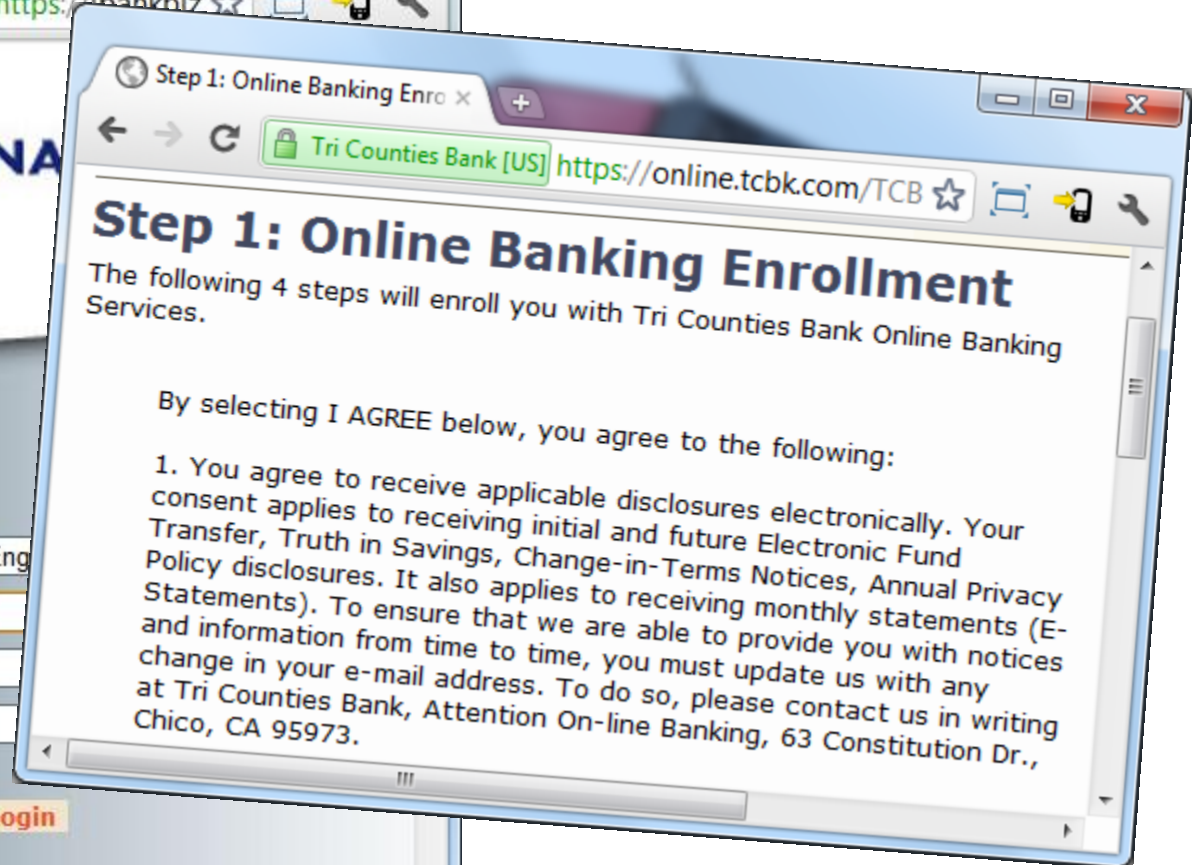
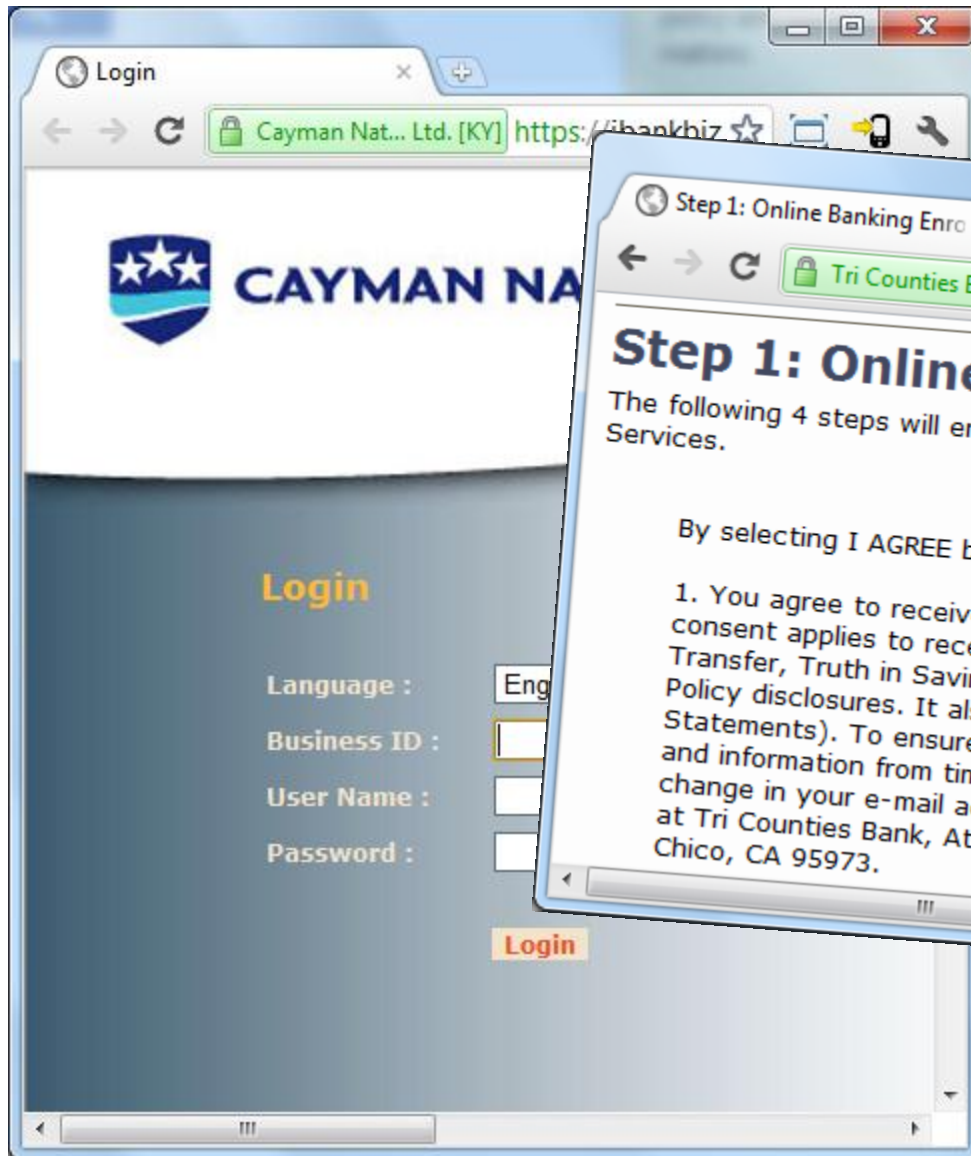




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```





Saving State

```
<input type="hidden"  
  name="__VIEWSTATE"  
  id="__VIEWSTATE"  
  value="/wEPDwUENTM4MWRkqhRIs/GwciLBJk9VVTvoDb/bsLk=" />
```

```
INSERT INTO Users(email) VALUES  
  ('simonfinklesporker@hotmail.com')
```



Session State Store	
ID	Data
1	Name=Karthik; CartItems=3
2	Name=Diana; CartItems=5
3	Name=Vishrutha; CartItems=1
...	...



GET /default.htm HTTP/1.1

...

GET /candle.htm HTTP/1.1

...

GET /necklace.htm HTTP/1.1

...

GET /wine.htm HTTP/1.1

...

GET /ducttape.htm HTTP/1.1

...



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HTTP State Management Mechanism

Abstract

This document defines the HTTP Cookie and Set-Cookie header fields. These header fields can be used by HTTP servers to store state (called cookies) at HTTP user agents, letting the servers maintain a stateful session over the mostly stateless HTTP protocol. Although cookies have many historical infelicities that degrade their security and privacy, the Cookie and Set-Cookie header fields are widely used on the Internet. This document obsoletes [RFC 2965](#).

Status of This Memo

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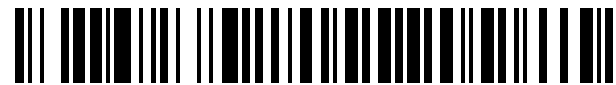
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Setting Boundaries for Internet Privacy

By KEVIN J. O'BRIEN

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BERLIN — Watchful European privacy regulators are wielding increasing influence beyond the Continent's borders. Last week, they pressed Google, as they had Apple, to change the way it collected data on cellphone locations worldwide.

But there is one area where even European regulators appear stymied — the tracking of consumer Internet surfing habits by technology companies, advertisers, Internet service providers and Web businesses that focus on consumers on the basis of online behavior.

For 18 months, the [European Commission](#) has been considering how to put into practice a 2009 law that regulates software cookies, the unique digital markers that Web sites place on visiting computers to identify consumers and deliver ads tailored to individual interests.



```
GET /search?q=lyrics HTTP/1.1  
Host: searchengine.com  
...
```

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
```

```
Set-Cookie: fname=Scott&lname=Allen;  
            domain=.searchengine.com;  
            path=/  
...
```





```
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```

```
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```

```
Set-Cookie: GUID=00a48b7f6a4946a8ad...;
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            path=/
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Session Cookie



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            domain=.searchengine.com;  
            path=/  
            expires=Monday, 09-July-2012 21:12:00 GMT  
...
```



Persistent Cookie

Basic Authentication



```
GET /account HTTP/1.1  
Host: giantbank.com  
...
```

```
HTTP/1.1 401 Unauthorized  
WWW-Authenticate: Basic realm="Giant Bank"
```

```
GET /account HTTP/1.1  
Host: giantbank.com  
Authorization: Basic Z2VudDptaXNzaW5n
```



Digest Authentication

GET /account HTTP/1.1
Host: giantbank.com
...

HTTP/1.0 401 Unauthorized
WWW-Authenticate: Digest realm="Giant Bank",
qop="auth,auth-int",
nonce="dcd98b710...00bfb0c093",
opaque="5ccc069...e9517f40e41"



Windows Authentication

```
GET /account HTTP/1.1  
Host: giantbank.com  
...
```

```
HTTP/1.0 401 Unauthorized  
WWW-Authenticate: Negotiate
```



Forms Authentication

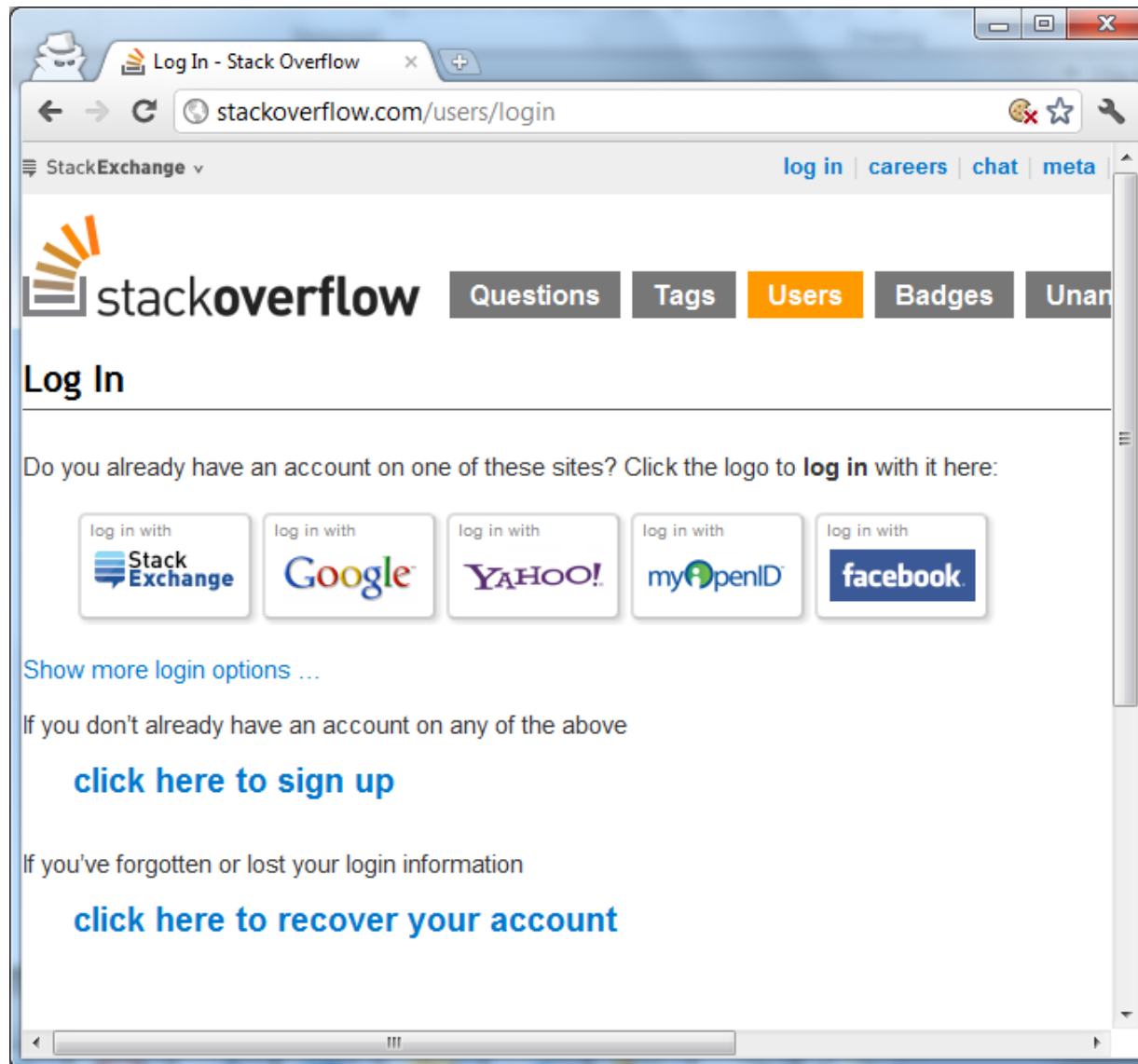
```
GET /account HTTP/1.1  
Host: giantbank.com  
...
```

```
HTTP/1.1 302 Found  
Location: /login?ReturnUrl=/account
```

```
<form method="post">  
  
  <input type="text" name="username" />  
  
  <input type="password" name="password" />  
  
  <input type="submit" value="Login" />  
  
</form>
```

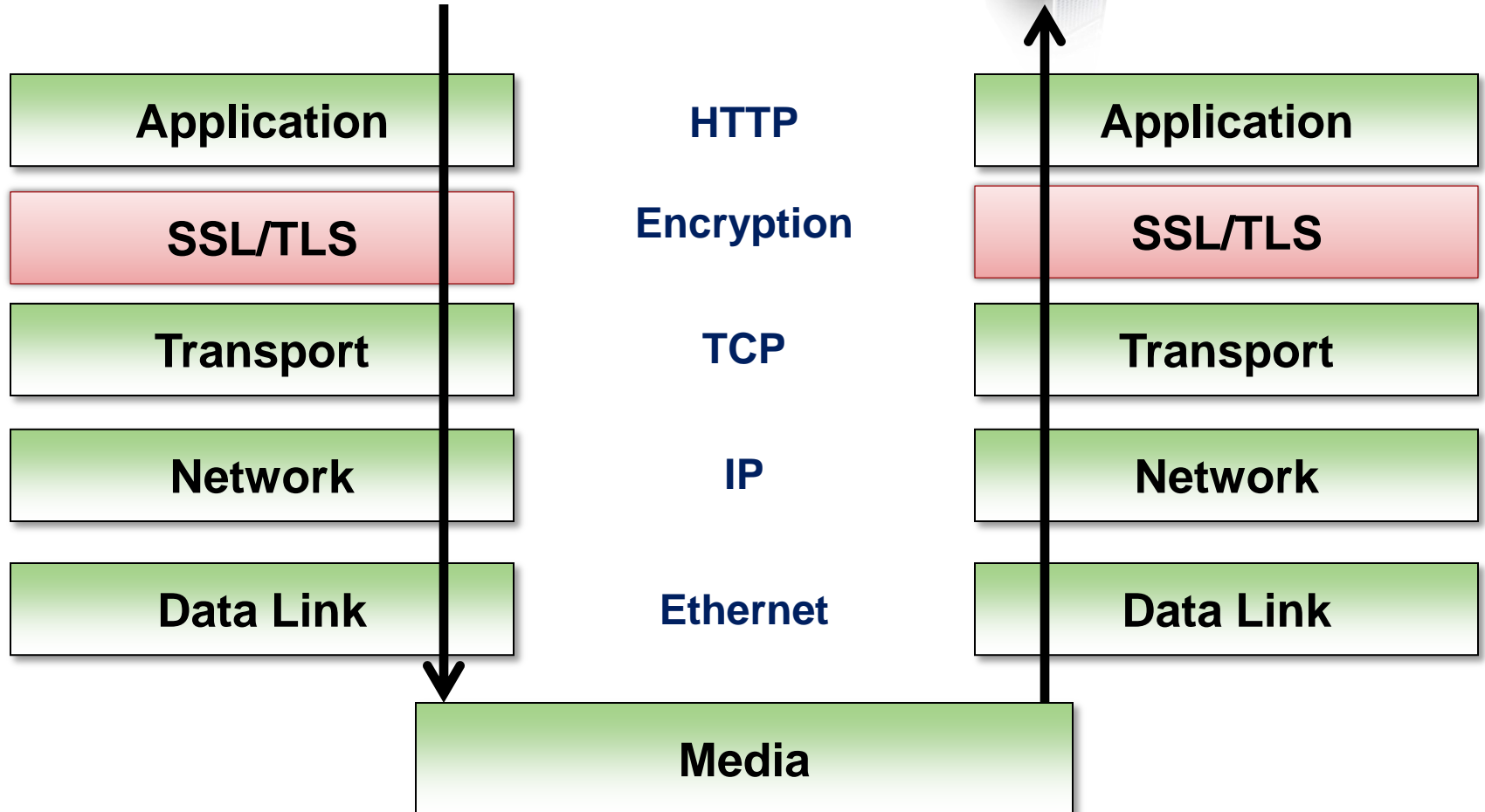


Open ID





HTTPS





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