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## Application Layer

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## Unit – 2 Application Layer

2.1 Principles of Network Applications

**2.2 Web, HTTP and HTTPS**

2.3 The Domain Name System

2.4 P2P Applications

2.5 Socket Programming with TCP & UDP

2.6 Other Application Layer Protocols

- two types of HTTP messages: *request, response*
- HTTP request message:
  - ASCII (human-readable format)

request line (GET, POST,  
HEAD commands)

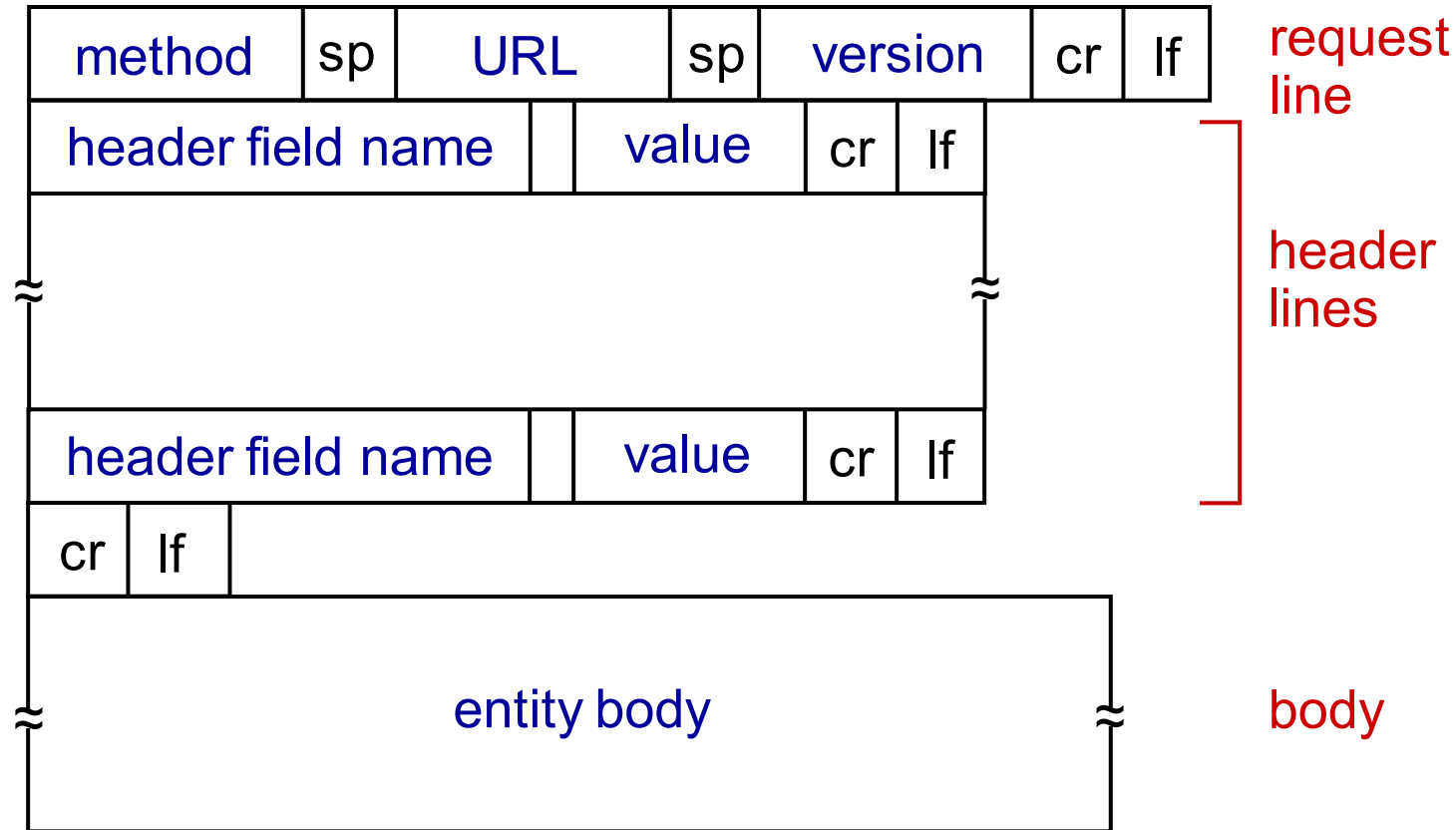
header  
lines

carriage return, line feed  
at start of line indicates  
end of header lines

carriage return character  
line-feed character

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GET /index.html HTTP/1.1\r\n
Host: www-net.cs.umass.edu\r\n
User-Agent: Firefox/3.6.10\r\n
Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml\r\n
Accept-Language: en-us,en;q=0.5\r\n
Accept-Encoding: gzip,deflate\r\n
Accept-Charset: ISO-8859-1,utf-8;q=0.7\r\n
Keep-Alive: 115\r\n
Connection: keep-alive\r\n
\r\n
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\* Check out the online interactive exercises for more  
examples: [http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/kurose\\_ross/interactive/](http://gaia.cs.umass.edu/kurose_ross/interactive/)



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## HTTP Request Message – Wireshark Capture

Capturing from any

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http

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
44	1.734232835	192.168.1.95	63.33.73.205	HTTP	677	GET /file1.html HTTP/1.1
50	1.831703556	63.33.73.205	192.168.1.95	HTTP	326	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
52	1.874581455	192.168.1.95	63.33.73.205	HTTP	558	GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1
54	1.970307494	63.33.73.205	192.168.1.95	HTTP	326	HTTP/1.1 404 Not Found (application/json)

Frame 44: 677 bytes on wire (5416 bits), 677 bytes captured (5416 bits) on interface 0

Linux cooked capture

Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 192.168.1.95, Dst: 63.33.73.205

Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: 33862, Dst Port: 80, Seq: 1, Ack: 1, Len: 609

Hypertext Transfer Protocol

GET /file1.html HTTP/1.1\r\n

Host: wireshark.grydeske.net\r\n

Connection: keep-alive\r\n

Pragma: no-cache\r\n

Cache-Control: no-cache\r\n

Upgrade-Insecure-Requests: 1\r\n

User-Agent: Mozilla/5.0 (X11; Linux x86\_64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/76.0.3809.87 Safari/537.36\r\n

Accept: text/html,application/xhtml+xml,application/xml;q=0.9,image/webp,image/apng,\*/\*;q=0.8,application/signed-exchange;v=b3\r\n

Referer: http://localhost:8080/wireshark/wireshark-http.html\r\n

Accept-Encoding: gzip, deflate\r\n

Accept-Language: en-US,en;q=0.9,da;q=0.8\r\n

Cookie: \_\_utma=231828553.1458339319.1536683537.1537430811.1537432942.3\r\n\r\n

[Full request URI: http://wireshark.grydeske.net/file1.html]

[HTTP request 1/2]

[Response in frame: 50]

[Next request in frame: 52]

0000 00 04 00 01 00 06 9c eb e8 19 0a 4a 00 00 08 00 .....J.....  
0010 45 00 02 95 53 6b 40 00 40 06 9a 02 c0 a8 01 5f E...Sk@. @.....\_  
0020 3f 21 49 cd 84 46 00 50 68 d6 3c f0 c3 38 b6 49 ?!I..F.P h.<..8.I  
0030 80 18 01 06 4d 7d 00 00 01 01 08 0a e0 c1 51 3b ...M}... ..Q;  
0040 5f f3 8b d1 47 45 54 20 2f 66 69 6c 65 31 2e 68 ...GET /file1.h

### POST method:

- web page often includes form input
- user input sent from client to server in entity body of HTTP POST request message

### HEAD method:

- requests headers (only) that would be returned *if* specified URL were requested with an HTTP GET method.

### GET method (for sending data to server):

- include user data in URL field of HTTP GET request message (following a '?'):

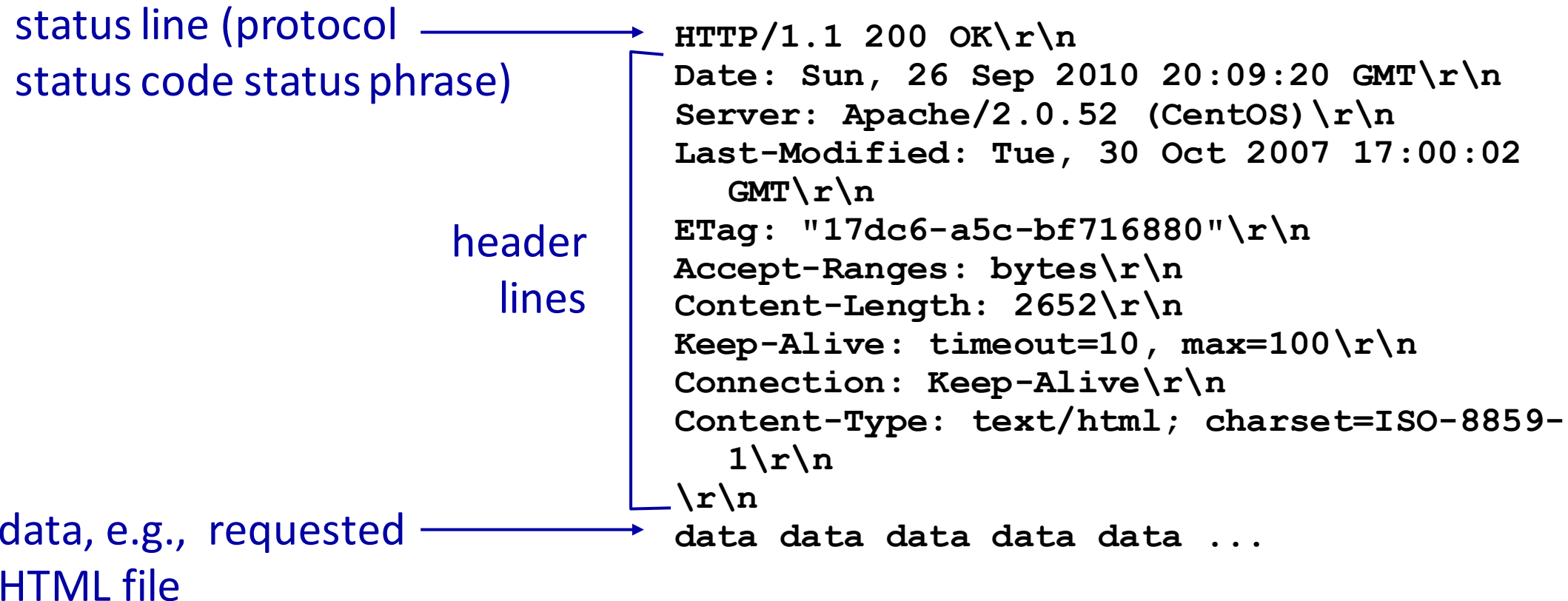
### PUT method:

- uploads new file (object) to server
- completely replaces file that exists at specified URL with content in entity body of POST HTTP request message

`www.somesite.com/animalsearch?monkeys&banana`

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## HTTP Response Message



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## HTTP Response Message – Wireshark Capture

Capturing from Microsoft: \Device\NPF\_{483C83F4-DCBA-4863-B523-3C4E1B03D06F} [Wireshark 1.8.5 (SVN Rev 47350 from /trunk-1.8)]

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Filter: http Expression... Clear Apply Save

No.	Time	Source	Destination	Protocol	Length	Info
222	21:13:58.590670000	10.36.40.181	239.255.255.250	SSDP	528	NOTIFY * HTTP/1.1
223	21:13:58.590877000	fe80::4195:59f3:544ff02::c		SSDP	556	NOTIFY * HTTP/1.1
233	21:13:59.117254000	10.36.40.181	128.119.245.12	HTTP	473	GET /wireshark-labs/HTTP-wireshark-file3.html HTTP/1.1
241	21:13:59.150482000	128.119.245.12	10.36.40.181	HTTP	452	HTTP/1.1 200 OK (text/html)
242	21:13:59.190558000	10.36.40.181	239.255.255.250	SSDP	556	NOTIFY * HTTP/1.1
243	21:13:59.190758000	fe80::4195:59f3:544ff02::c		SSDP	584	NOTIFY * HTTP/1.1
245	21:13:59.443994000	10.36.40.181	128.119.245.12	HTTP	384	GET /favicon.ico HTTP/1.1
246	21:13:59.462702000	128.119.245.12	10.36.40.181	HTTP	532	HTTP/1.1 404 Not Found (text/html)
247	21:13:59.467414000	10.36.40.181	239.255.255.250	SSDP	542	NOTIFY * HTTP/1.1
248	21:13:59.467605000	fe80::4195:59f3:544ff02::c		SSDP	570	NOTIFY * HTTP/1.1

Frame 241: 452 bytes on wire (3616 bits), 452 bytes captured (3616 bits) on interface 0

- Ethernet II, Src: Cisco\_4c:61:3f (00:1e:f7:4c:61:3f), Dst: HonHaiPr\_0a:de:6b (cc:af:78:0a:de:6b)
- Internet Protocol Version 4, Src: 128.119.245.12 (128.119.245.12), Dst: 10.36.40.181 (10.36.40.181)
- Transmission Control Protocol, Src Port: http (80), Dst Port: 55990 (55990), Seq: 4381, Ack: 420, Len: 398
- [5 Reassembled TCP Segments (4778 bytes): #234(1423), #237(1460), #239(1460), #235(37), #241(398)]
- Hypertext Transfer Protocol
  - HTTP/1.1 200 OK\r\n
  - Date: Wed, 27 Feb 2013 02:14:00 GMT\r\n
  - Server: Apache/2.2.3 (CentOS)\r\n
  - Last-Modified: Wed, 27 Feb 2013 02:13:01 GMT\r\n
  - ETag: "d6c97-1194-50408540"\r\n
  - Accept-Ranges: bytes\r\n
  - Content-Type: text/html; charset=UTF-8\r\n
  - Content-Length: 4500\r\n
  - Connection: Keep-Alive\r\n
  - Age: 0\r\n
  - \r\n

0000 cc af 78 0a de 6b 00 1e f7 4c 61 3f 08 00 45 00 ..x..k.. .La?..E.  
0010 01 b6 5f cd 00 00 3a 06 77 18 80 77 f5 0c 0a 24 .....: w..w...\$  
0020 28 b5 00 50 da b6 70 e7 fd 49 a7 2b b3 a2 50 18 (.P.p. .I.+..P.  
0030 ff ff 16 ab 00 00 70 3e 3c 2f 70 3e 3c 70 3e 54 .....p> </p><p>T  
0040 68 65 20 65 6e 75 6d 65 72 61 74 69 6f 6e 20 69 he enume ration i  
0050 6e 20 74 68 65 20 43 6f 6e 73 74 69 74 75 74 69 n the Co nstituti  
0060 6f 6e 2c 20 6f 66 20 63 65 72 74 61 69 6e 20 72 on of c ertain r

Frame (452 bytes) Reassembled TCP (4778 bytes)

Frame (frame), 452 bytes Packets: 336 Displayed: 40 Marked: 0 Profile: Default

- status code appears in 1st line in server-to-client response message.
- some sample codes:

### 200 OK

- request succeeded, requested object later in this message

### 301 Moved Permanently

- requested object moved, new location specified later in this message (in Location: field)

### 400 Bad Request

- request msg not understood by server

### 404 Not Found

- requested document not found on this server

### 505 HTTP Version Not Supported

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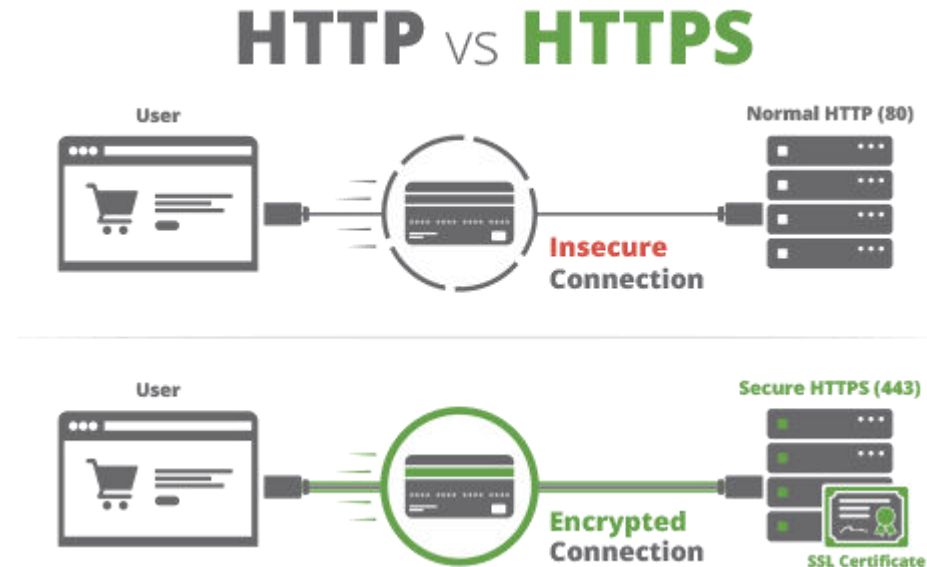
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## HTTP vs HTTPS

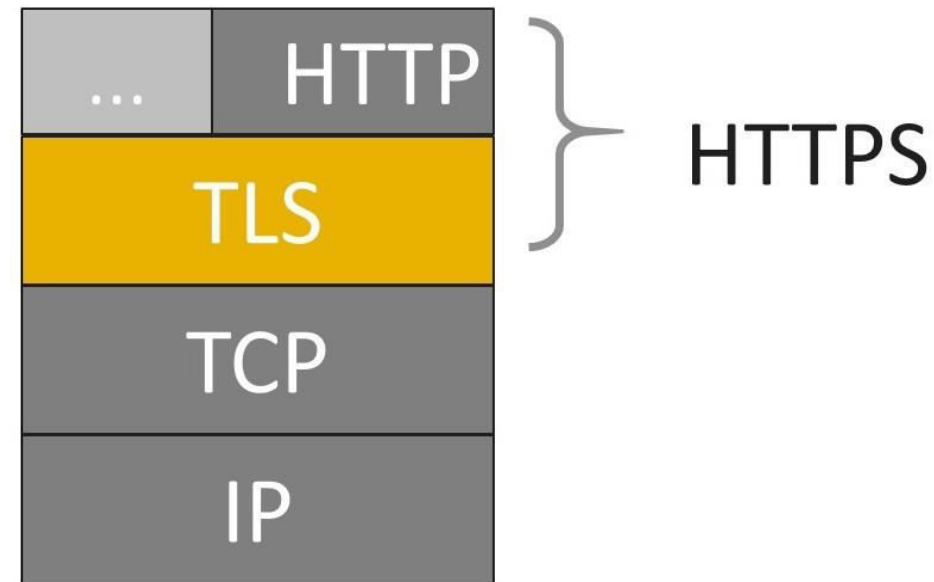


- HTTPS is HTTP with encryption – All communications between browser and server are encrypted (bi-directional).
- 'S' refers 'Secure' or HTTP over Secure Socket Layer.
- Uses TLS (SSL) to encrypt normal HTTP requests and responses.
- Attackers can't read the data crossing the wire and you know you are talking to the server you think you are talking too.

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## HTTP vs HTTPS (more)

- HTTP + TLS -> Encrypted
- Uses port no. 443 for data communication.
- HTTPS is based on public/private-key cryptography.
  - The public key is used for encryption
  - The secret private key is required for decryption.
- SSL certificate is a web server's digital certificate issued by a third party CA.
  - Create an encrypted connection and establish trust.
- Is my certificate SSL or TLS?



Any message encrypted with Bob's public key can be only decrypted with Bob's private key.

- Step 1: Browser requests secure pages (HTTPS) from a server.
  - Step 2: Server sends its public key with its SSL certificate (digitally signed by a third party – CA).
  - Step 3: On receipt of certificate, browser verifies issuer's digital signature. (green padlock key)
  - Step 4: Browser creates a symmetric key (shared key), keeps one and gives a copy to server. Encrypts it using server's public key.
  - Step 5: On receipt of encrypted secret key, decrypts it using its private key and gets browser's secret key.
- Asymmetric and Symmetric key algorithms work together.
  - Asymmetric key algorithm – verify identity of the owner & its public key -> Establish trust.
  - Once connection is established, Symmetric key algorithm is used to encrypt and decrypt the traffic.



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## How does SSL works?



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Client messages server to  
initiate SSL/TLS communication



Server sends back  
an encrypted  
public key/certificate.



Client checks the certificate, creates and sends  
an encrypted key back to the server  
*(If the certificate is not ok, the communication fails)*



Server decrypts the key and delivers  
encrypted content with key to the client



Client decrypts the content  
completing the SSL/TLS *handshake*

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## Benefits of HTTPS over HTTP using SSL Certificates

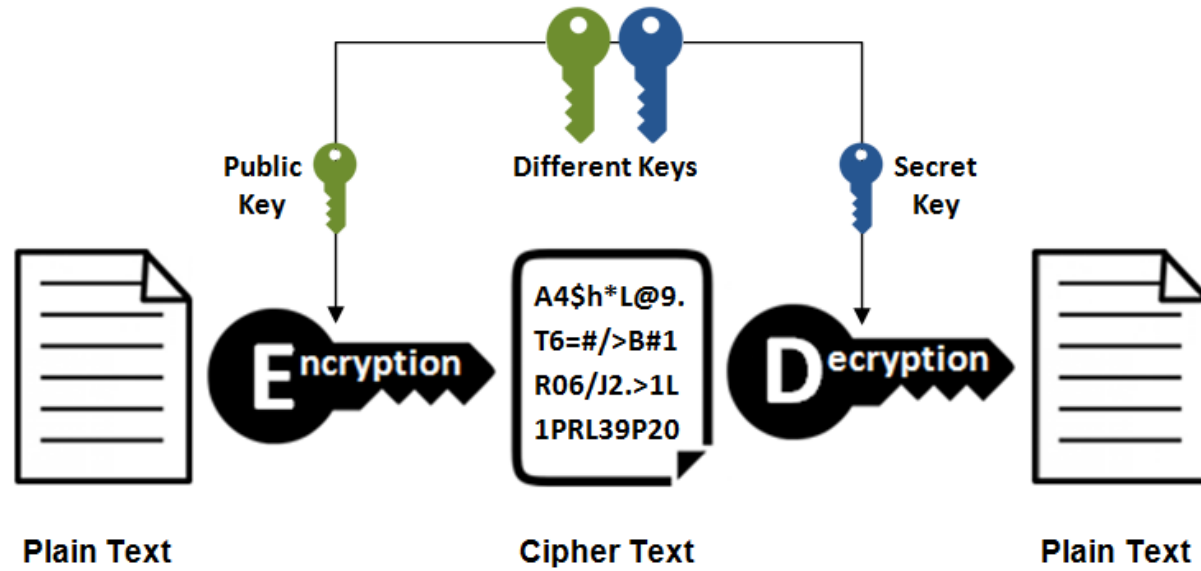
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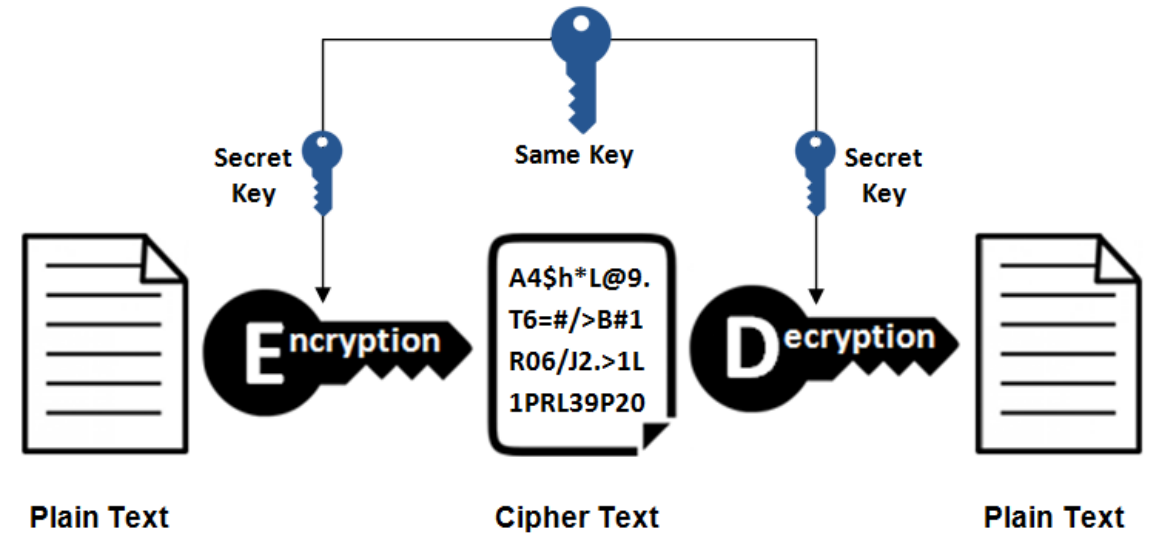
- Stronger Google ranking.
- Updated browser labels.
- Improved security.
- Increased customer confidence / safer experience.
- Build customer trust and improve conversions.



## Asymmetric Encryption



## Symmetric Encryption





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