

Security Issues

- When moving electronic data from one place to another, there are different types of security concerns to consider:
 - **Data interception** can occur when an unauthorized user intercepts data being transferred.
 - Two common methods are:
 - **Packet sniffing**
 - **Man in the middle attack**
- [Encryption](#) can be broken if it is not strong
- Using HTTP instead of HTTPS [protocols](#) when dealing with sensitive information
- Depending on whether the data being sent is sensitive will depend on the level of security needed to ensure it stays safe
- All types of information will need to be transferred from one place to another at some point but typical examples may include:
 - User credentials when logging into online banking
 - Medical records being passed from a hospital to a GP
 - Student details from one school to another
 - Criminal records and details
- When dealing with personal or sensitive data it is essential that not only is it protected from hackers but also that it is protected from accidental disclosures such as:
 - Sending an email with sensitive information to the wrong person
 - Losing a device that has sensitive data stored
 - Shared access misconfigurations allow unauthorized users access to sensitive data