



Google Firebase (NoSQL on Android (, iOS & Web))

A short introduction

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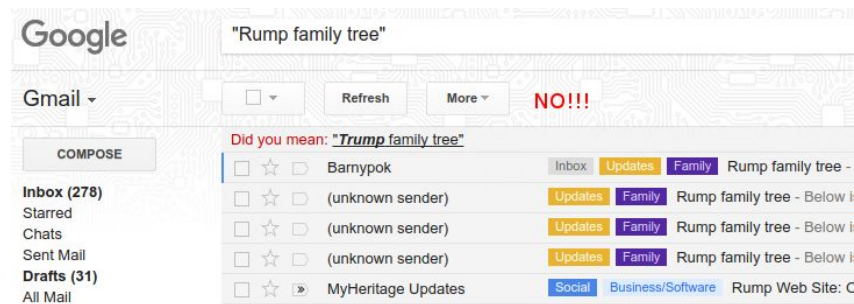
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Why Google Firebase?

Needed a (RESTful) (database) API for my



WhereIs... app



{ REST }



We all know what the leads to...



What does Google Firebase provide?

- Authentication
 - Username, Google, Facebook, ...
 - Real time database
 - NoSQL, offline-”capability”
 - Storage
 - Hosting
 - Test lab
 - Crash reporting
 - Cloud messaging
 - Notification
 - Remote config
 - App Indexing
 - Dynamic links
 - Invites
 - Adwords
 - AdMob
- More to come...

Analytics, ...

- Fabric (Twitter), Crashlytics, ...

Firestore crash reporting & database rules



Demo

Firestore real time database field types

- Standard types
 - String
 - Long
 - Double
 - Boolean
 - Map<String, Object>
 - List<Object>
- Array when key are numbers in sequence
- Java class (only requirement: a default constructor)
 - Member variables become key values
 - **NOTE:** Use update() when writing or all other values/child nodes are wiped away!

Firestore real time JSON database (Don't)

```
{ // Not the way to do it!!!
  "chats": {
    "one": {
      "title": "Historical Tech Pioneers",
      "messages": {
        "m1": { "sender": "ghopper", "message": "Relay malfunction found. Cause: moth." },
        "m2": { ... },
        // a very long list of messages
      }
    },
    "two": { ... }
  }
}
```


Firestore real time JSON database (part 1)

```
{  
  // Chats contains only meta info about each conversation  
  // stored under the chats's unique ID  
  "chats": {  
    "one": {  
      "title": "Historical Tech Pioneers",  
      "lastMessage": "ghopper: Relay malfunction found. Cause: moth.",  
      "timestamp": 1459361875666  
    },  
    "two": { ... },  
    "three": { ... }  
  },  
}
```

Firestore real time JSON database (part 2)

// Conversation members are easily accessible

// and stored by chat conversation ID

```
"members": {
```

// we'll talk about indices like this below

```
  "one": {
```

```
    "ghopper": true,
```

```
    "alovelace": true,
```

```
    "eclarke": true
```

```
  },
```

```
  "two": { ... },
```

```
  "three": { ... }
```

```
},
```

Firestore real time JSON database (part 3)

```
"messages": {  
  "one": {  
    "m1": {  
      "name": "eclarke",  
      "message": "The relay seems to be malfunctioning.",  
      "timestamp": 1459361875337  
    },  
    "m2": { ... },  
    "m3": { ... }  
  },  
  "two": { ... },  
  "three": { ... }  
}
```

Firestore NoSQL real time database

- Online & offline-support
 - `FirestoreDatabase.getInstance().setPersistenceEnabled(true);`
- All users share the same online Firestore database
 - Security rules may be used to separate users and/or restrict content
- Authentication may (read: should) be applied
- No schema
- Mobile devices (Android & iOS) and web
- Notifies all devices on changes - if listening
- 10MB database stored on the device

// Write to your database

```
FirebaseDatabase database = FirebaseDatabase.getInstance();  
DatabaseReference myRef = database.getReference("message");
```

Async, i.e. you can call the methods in your main (UI) thread - beware of size

```
myRef.setValue("Hello, World!");
```

```
myRef.push().setValue("Unique");
```

```
-K2WLjgH0es40OGWp6Ln: "Unique"
```

```
-K2YyDkM4IUotI12OnOs: "Unique"
```

```
myRef.setKey("key").setValue("value");
```

```
myRef.setKey("key").update("update");
```

Data may be collected and written in one go as Map or List

// Read from the database

```
myRef.addValueEventListener(new ValueEventListener() {  
    @Override  
    public void onDataChange(DataSnapshot dataSnapshot) {  
        // This method is called once with the initial value and again  
        // whenever data at this location is updated.  
        String value = dataSnapshot.getValue(String.class);  
        Log.d(TAG, "Value is: " + value);  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void onCancelled(DatabaseError error) {  
        Log.w(TAG, "Failed to read value.", error.toException());  
    }  
});
```

// Read from the database (once)

```
myRef.addListenerForSingleValueEvent(new ValueEventListener() {  
    @Override  
    public void onDataChange(DataSnapshot dataSnapshot) {  
        // This method is called once with the initial value and again  
        // whenever data at this location is updated.  
        String value = dataSnapshot.getValue(String.class);  
        Log.d(TAG, "Value is: " + value);  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public void onCancelled(DatabaseError error) {  
        Log.w(TAG, "Failed to read value.", error.toException());  
    }  
});
```

More Firebase real time database functionality

- ValueEventListener vs. ChildEventListener
 - onChildAdded()
 - onChildChanged()
 - onChildRemoved()
 - onChildMoved()
- removeEventListener

May be bound directly to RecyclerView/UITableView/Angular/.../.../...

Firebase database demo



Demo

Any questions (about Firebase (database))?

