

# Twitter Bots

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APIs

Security

cron jobs

# What is a Twitter Bot?

# What is a Twitter Bot?

- ▶ A program that interacts with Twitter in an automated fashion
- ▶ NYMag Examples

# What can you practice with a Twitter Bot?

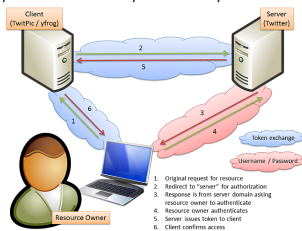
- ▶ language skills
  - ▶ tools and packages
- ▶ regular expressions
- ▶ api interfaces
- ▶ building automated systems
  - ▶ error handling
- ▶ data structures
- ▶ game design

# What is an API?

- ▶ Stands for: Application Programming Interface
- ▶ In short: A way for computers to share 'small' amounts of data

# OAuth

<https://oauth.net/about/introduction/>



# Auth files

- ▶ /etc/auth directory
- ▶ .gitignore



# What is cron?

cron is a time-based scheduler in a Unix-like computer operating system. It's a simple way to get your computer to regularly run scripts.

# cron alternatives

- ▶ Windows Task Manager
- ▶ launched (Macs)

<http://github.com/ClassicKatie/codecafe>