Introduction to Firebase

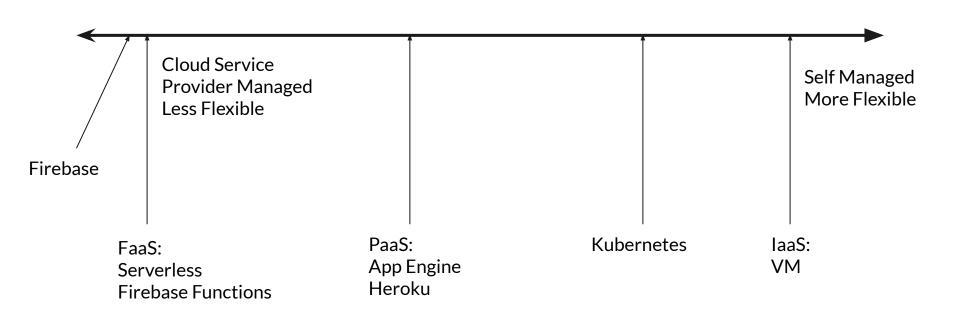
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What is Firebase?

Serverless Computing

- No worrying about underlying infrastructure and hardware choices
- Scale Automatically
- Save \$\$\$

Various Options In BaaS Spectrum



Firebase Features

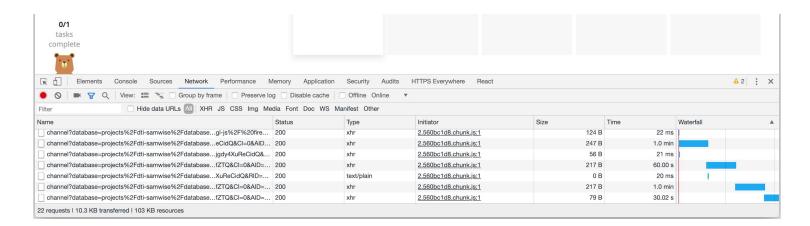
DEVELOP Realtime Database **GROW** Authentication Notifications Cloud Messaging App Indexing Storage Dynamic Links Analytics Hosting Invites Remote Config AdWords Test Lab **EARN** Crash Reporting AdMob

Why Samwise Switched

Demo Time!

Real Time Capabilities

- Real time capabilities out of box
 - Long pulling



Traditional Approach: ID Provisioning

```
function addTask(task) { latency!
                                          app.post('/task/add', (req, resp) => {
  fetch('/task/add', ...)
                                            db.add (req.body)
    .then(taskId => {
                                              .then(id => resp.send(id));
      // ...
                                          });
                                                            latency!
                          latency!
    });
                       Without taskId from server, cannot call editTask
function editTask(taskId, change) {
  fetch(`/task/edit/${taskId}`, ...)
  // ...
```

Realtime Updates: Bad Approach

```
setTimeInterval (() => {
  fetch('/tasks').then(resp => { ... });
}, 100);
```

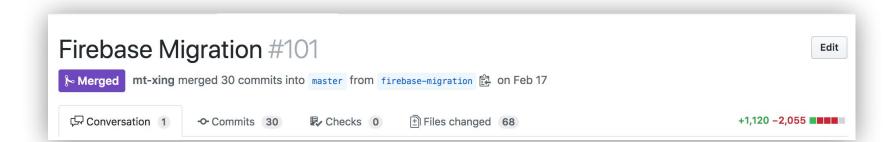
Very Inefficient!

Fronted DB Operations

```
export const removeTask = (task: Task, noUndo?: 'no-undo'): void => {
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       const { subTasks } = store.getState();
        const deletedSubTasks = task.children
         .map((id) \Rightarrow {
           const subTask = subTasks.get(id);
           return subTask == null ? error('corrupted!') : subTask;
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         })
         .toArray();
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       const batch = db().batch();
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       batch.delete(tasksCollection().doc(task.id));
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143
       task.children.forEach(id => batch.delete(subTasksCollection().doc(id)));
        batch.commit().then(() => {
         if (noUndo !== 'no-undo') {
           const { children, ...rest } = task;
147
           const fullTask = { ...rest, children: deletedSubTasks };
            emitUndoRemoveTaskToast(fullTask):
         }
150
       });
```

```
const unmountTasksListener = listenTasksChange(ownerEmail, (snapshot) => {
96
         const created: Task[] = [];
97
         const edited: Task[] = [];
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         const deleted: string[] = [];
99
         snapshot.docChanges().forEach((change) => {
100
           const { doc } = change;
           const { id } = doc;
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           if (change.type === 'removed') {
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             deleted.push(id);
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           } else {
             const data = doc.data();
105
             if (data === undefined) {
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               return:
108
             const { owner, date: timestamp, children, ...rest } = data as FirestoreTask;
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             const task: Task = {
               id.
               date: timestamp instanceof Date ? timestamp : timestamp.toDate(),
               children: Set(children).
114
               ...rest,
             }:
             if (change.type === 'added') {
               created.push(task);
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             } else {
                edited.push(task);
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          }
         });
         store.dispatch(patchTasks(created, edited, deleted));
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         firstTasksFetched = true;
         reportFirstFetchedIfAllFetched();
       });
```

Frontend DB Operations

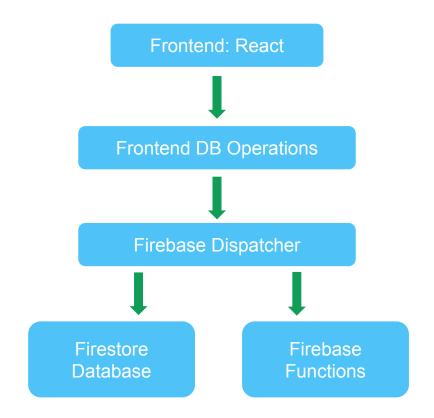


What about Security?

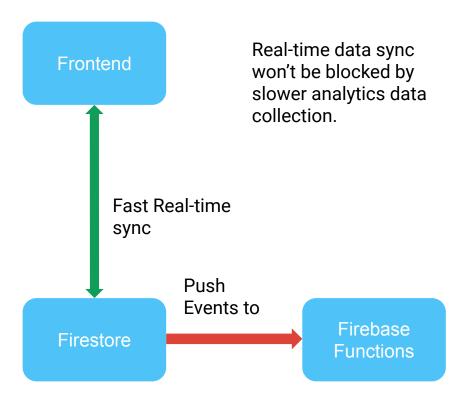
How We Use Firebase

- Authentication
- Security Firestore Configs
- Firestore
- Firebase Functions

```
service cloud.firestore {
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                                           match /databases/{database}/documents {
                                             function canCreate() {
                                               return request.resource.data.owner == request.auth.token.email;
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                                             function canReadWriteDelete() {
                                               return request.auth.token.email == resource.data.owner;
                                              function canOperateOnEmailIdDocs(userEmail) {
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                                               return request.auth.token.email == userEmail;
                                             match /samwise-order-manager/{userEmail} {
                                               allow create, read, write, delete: if canOperateOnEmailIdDocs(userEmail)
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                                             match /samwise-settings/{userEmail} {
                                               allow create, read, write, delete: if canOperateOnEmailIdDocs(userEmail)
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                                             match /samwise-banner-message/{userEmail} {
                                               allow create, read, write, delete: if canOperateOnEmailIdDocs(userEmail)
                                             match /samwise-tags/{tag} {
                                               allow create: if canCreate()
                                               allow read, write, delete: if canReadWriteDelete()
                                  24
                                             match /samwise-tasks/{task} {
                                               allow create: if canCreate()
                                               allow read, write, delete: if canReadWriteDelete()
                                  28
                                              match /samwise-subtasks/{task} {
                                               allow create: if canCreate()
                                  31
                                               allow read, write, delete: if canReadWriteDelete()
                                             match /demo-comment-board/{comment} {
                                               allow create: if request.auth.uid != null
                                               allow read, write, delete: if request.auth.token.email == resource.data.author
                                  36
∃ Simulator
```



Problem and Solutions: Cold Starting



Potentially slower due to cold start



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