

Throttling

After each failed attempt, the user has to wait longer before their next attempt.

Memory storage

timeoutSeconds holds the number of seconds to lock out the user for.

```
export class Throttler<_Key> {
  public timeoutSeconds: number[];

  private storage = new Map<_Key, ThrottlingCounter>();

  constructor(timeoutSeconds: number[]) {
    this.timeoutSeconds = timeoutSeconds;
  }

  public consume(key: _Key): boolean {
    let counter = this.storage.get(key) ?? null;
    const now = Date.now();
    if (counter === null) {
      counter = {
        index: 0,
        updatedAt: now
      };
      this.storage.set(key, counter);
      return true;
    }
    const allowed = now - counter.updatedAt >= this.timeoutSeconds[counter.index];
    if (!allowed) {
      return false;
    }
    counter.updatedAt = now;
    counter.index = Math.min(counter.index + 1, this.timeoutSeconds.length - 1);
    this.storage.set(key, counter);
    return true;
  }

  public reset(key: _Key): void {
    this.storage.delete(key);
  }
}

interface ThrottlingCounter {
  index: number;
}
```

```
    updatedAt: number;
  }
```

Here, on each failed sign in attempt, the lockout time gets extended with a max of 5 minutes.

```
const throttler = new Throttler<number>([1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 30, 60, 180, 300]);

if (!throttler.consume(userId)) {
  throw new Error("Too many requests");
}
const validPassword = verifyPassword(password);
if (!validPassword) {
  throw new Error("Invalid password");
}
throttler.reset(user.id);
```

Redis

We'll use Lua scripts to ensure queries are atomic. `timeoutSeconds` holds the number of seconds to lock out the user for.

```
-- Returns 1 if allowed, 0 if not
local key          = KEYS[1]
local now          = tonumber(ARGV[1])

local timeoutSeconds = {1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 30, 60, 180, 300}

local fields = redis.call("HGETALL", key)
if #fields == 0 then
  redis.call("HSET", key, "index", 1, "updated_at", now)
  return {1}
end
local index = 0
local updatedAt = 0
for i = 1, #fields, 2 do
  if fields[i] == "index" then
    index = tonumber(fields[i+1])
  elseif fields[i] == "updated_at" then
    updatedAt = tonumber(fields[i+1])
  end
end
local allowed = now - updatedAt >= timeoutSeconds[index]
if not allowed then
  return {0}
end
index = math.min(index + 1, #timeoutSeconds)
```

```
redis.call("HSET", key, "index", index, "updated_at", now)
return {1}
```

Load the script and retrieve the script hash.

```
const SCRIPT_SHA = await client.scriptLoad(script);
```

Reference the script with the hash.

```
export class Throttler {
  private storageKey: string;

  constructor(storageKey: string) {
    this.storageKey = storageKey;
  }

  public async consume(key: string): Promise<boolean> {
    const result = await client.EVALSHA(SCRIPT_SHA, {
      keys: [`${this.storageKey}:${key}`],
      arguments: [Math.floor(Date.now() / 1000).toString()]
    });
    return Boolean(result[0]);
  }

  public async reset(key: string): Promise<void> {
    await client.DEL(key);
  }
}
```

Here, on each failed sign in attempt, the lockout time gets extended.

```
const throttler = new Throttler<number>("login_throttler");

if (!throttler.consume(userId)) {
  throw new Error("Too many requests");
}
const validPassword = verifyPassword(password);
if (!validPassword) {
  throw new Error("Invalid password");
}
throttler.reset(user.id);
```