

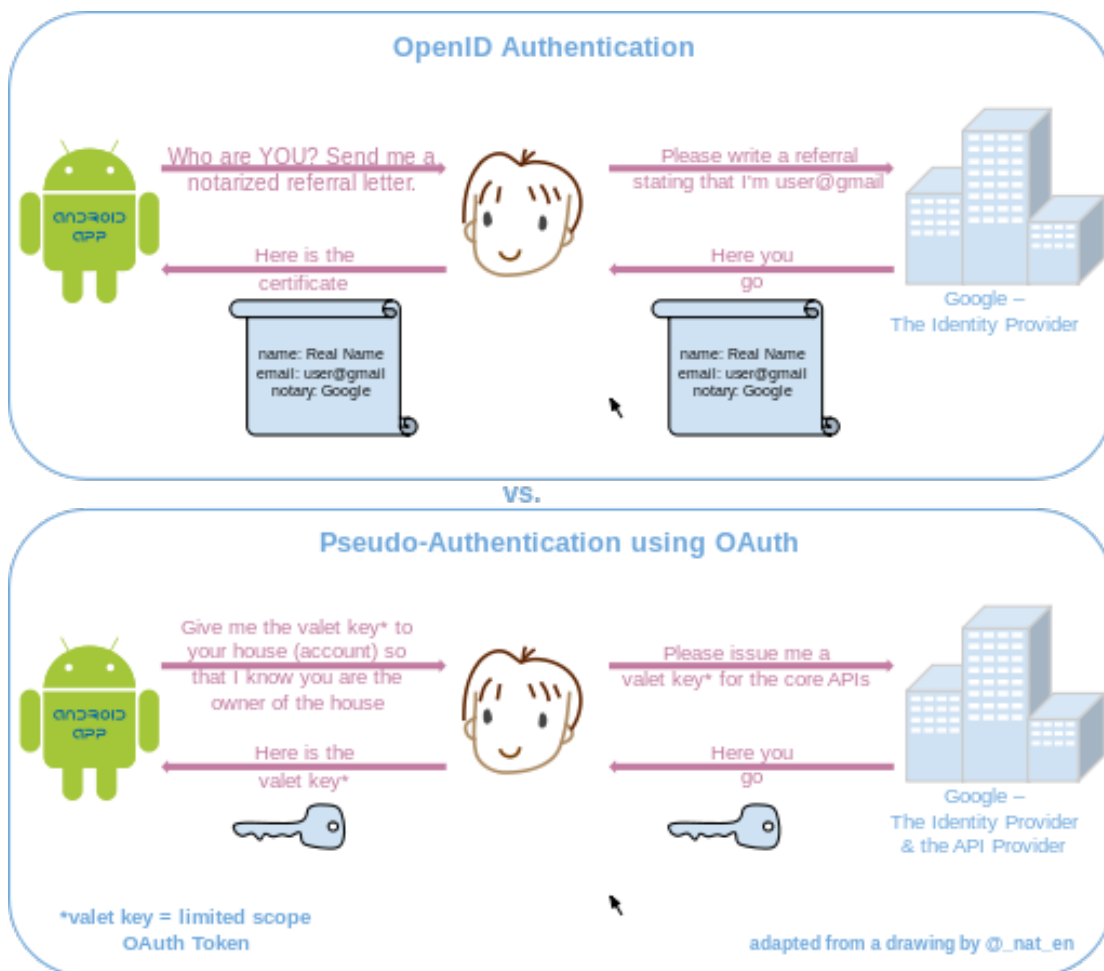
Mismatches between TNG and Too

Based on my investigation of the projects, there are two key issues regarding technology mismatches in the two projects.

1. OpenAuth vs OpenID

The Too team stipulated that they would be using the OpenAuth standard when producing their application so that they would not have to produce any bespoke security software for the application. However, the TNG team chose to implement OpenID as their verification standard which presents an issue when trying to marry the two systems together.

Here is a diagram that summarizes the differences between the two:



As authentication is handled server-side, it will be necessary to implement OpenID into the Too project.

2. HTML vs JSON

The Too team reported that when attempting to access the TNG API methods, a string of HTML was returned to the application when it has been developed to use JSON. As the application in it's current format does not connect to the TNG database and instead uses it's own test server it has not been possible to independently verify this however the TNG reference document states that all requests are returned in JSON – thus, there should be no issue with the application as it stands and this can be examined when and if we are able to connect the app to an instance of the backend.