Authentication / Authorization

Authentication

- A process of verifying user identity.
- Who is the user?
- Is the user really who he/she represents himself to be?

Authorization

- A process of verifying a user's access level.
- Is user X authorized to access resource R?
- Is user X authorized to perform operation P?

Let's think about it.

- User signing in with username/password.
 - O Authen (App 's view)
- User signing in with Google account.
 - Authen (App 's view)
 - O Author (Google 's view, user = App)
 - OAuth 2
- User requesting profile page.
 - Author (role-protected route)
 - Authen (query for user to display information)

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Section A: How to store password

Situation

- User fill in username and password.
- Your app creates user entry in database.
- How do you store password?

6 levels of safety

Technique	Ranking	Vunerability
Plain text	F	All
Encryption	D	Stolen key
Hashing	С	Rainbow table attack
Salting	В	Fast computer
Salting + Cost Factor (bcrypt)	B+	Infinity stone 🤣
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Adapted from source

Note

- SHA256
- Rawinbow table attack
- bcrypt hash

```
$2y$10$6z7GKa9kpDN7KC3ICW1Hi.fd0/to7Y/x36WUKNP0IndHdkdR9Ae3K

—Salt

—Hashed password

—Algorithm options (eg cost)

—Algorithm
```

bcrypt example

- git clone -b bcrypt https://github.com/fullstack-67/auth-mpa-v2.git auth-bcrypt
- pnpm i
- npx tsx ./src/hash.ts
- npx tsx ./src/compare.ts

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Section B: Implementation with passport

passport

- Most popular authentication middleware for express.
- Minimal and modular
- 500+ strategies (click at button)
- Confusing and poor documented
 - Hidden manual

Let's see it

- git clone -b signin-credential https://github.com/fullstack-67/auth-mpav2.git auth-signin-credential
- pnpm i
- npm run db:reset
- npm run dev

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Side note about the project

- MPA HTMX
- Use SQLite + drizzle.
 - Checkout the schema.
- Use debug package.
- Try debugging in VSCode.
 - See launch.json.

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Highlighed packages

package.json

```
{
   "passport": "^0.7.0",
   "passport-local": "^1.0.0"
}
```

Middleware

src/index.ts

```
passport.use(
 new LocalStrategy(
      // Options
    async function (email, password, done) {
      // Verify email / password
app.use(passport.initialize());
```

Route

```
app.post(
  "/login",
  passport.authenticate("local", { session: false }),
  function (req, res) {
    // * Passport will attach user object in the request
  }
);
```

