

Class 11

OAuth

seattle-javascript-401n14

Grading Recap



Just a Reminder:

- If Code Challenges require tests, they also require Travis!
- When you deploy to Heroku
 - Make sure you also push your local data to your remote database
 - Test your Heroku app functionality – it should be the same as your localhost
- Focus on getting setup + small requirements first - those are worth a lot of points!



Lab 10 Review



Code Challenge 10

Review

**Local Elections
are NEXT
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Vocab Review!



What is authentication?



What is authorization?



What is encryption?



What is hashing?



What is a session?



What is a token?

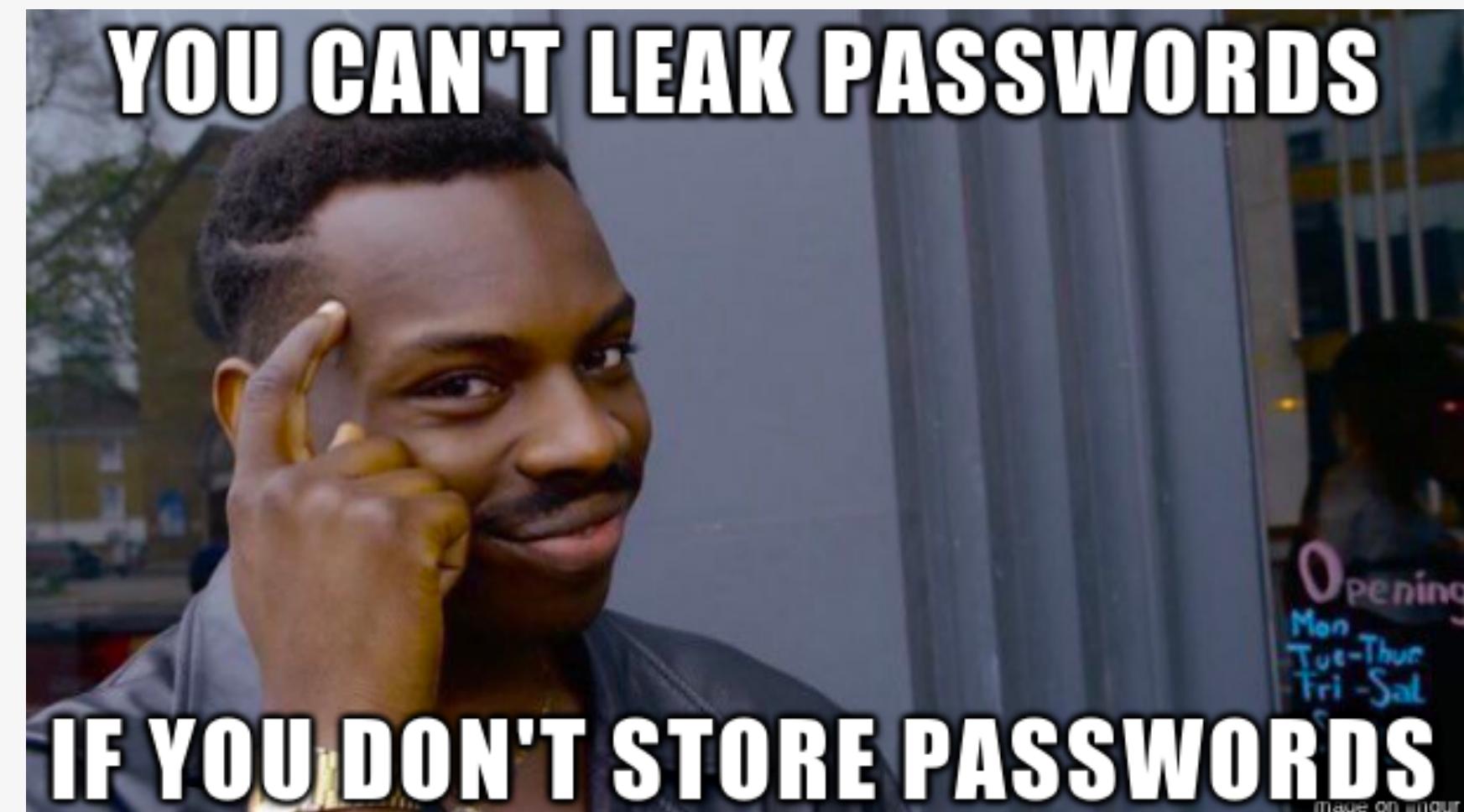


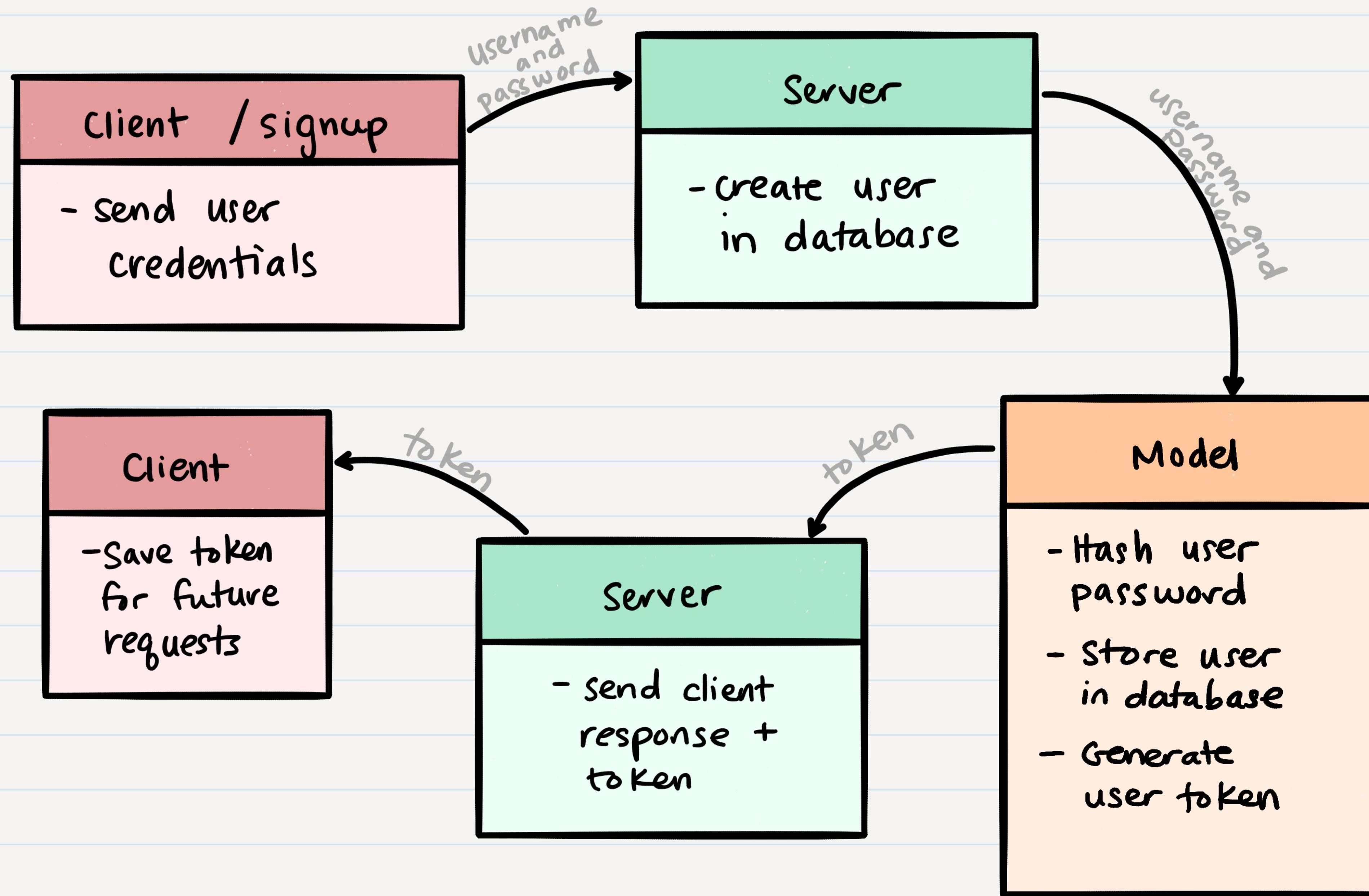
What is a secret?

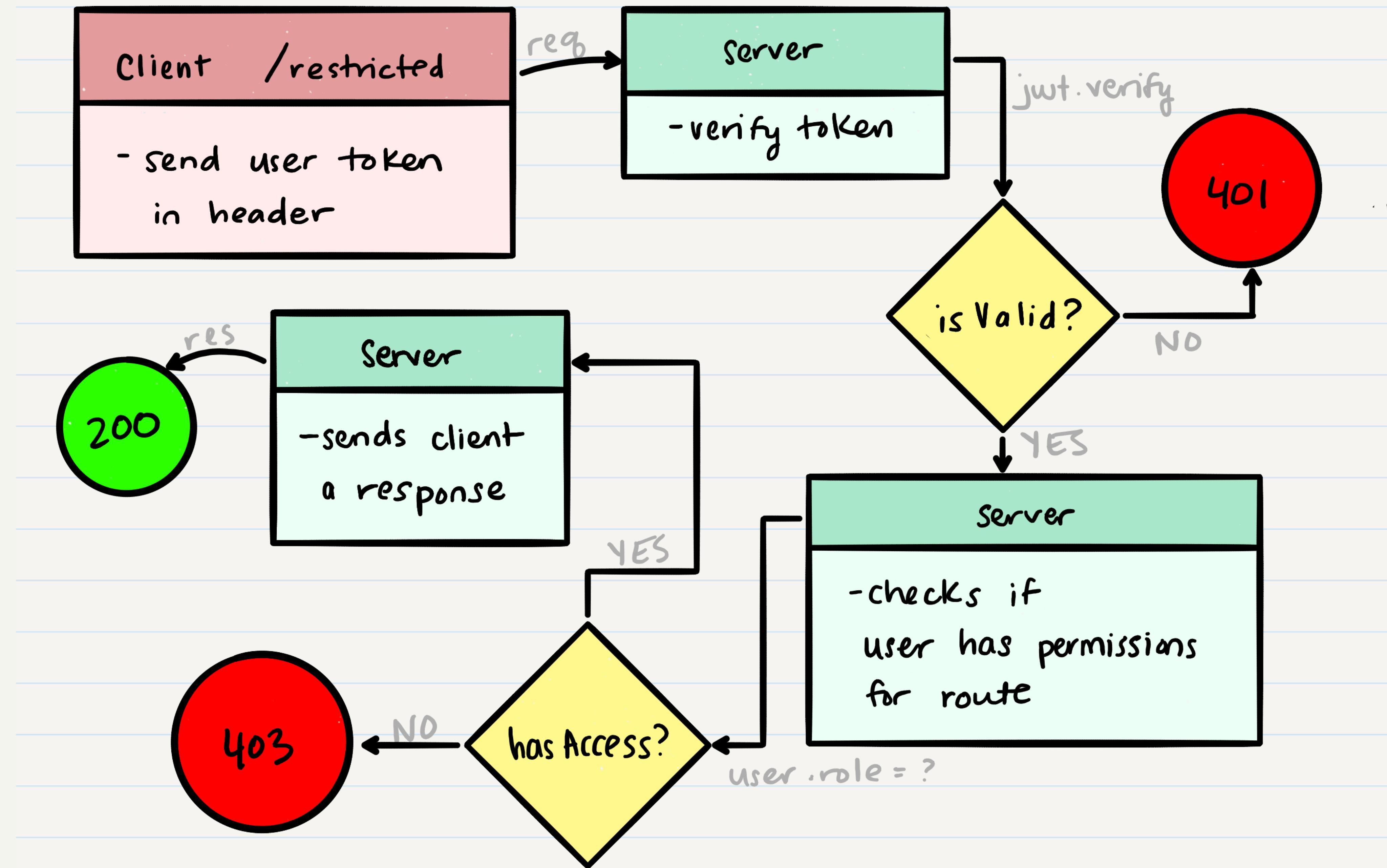


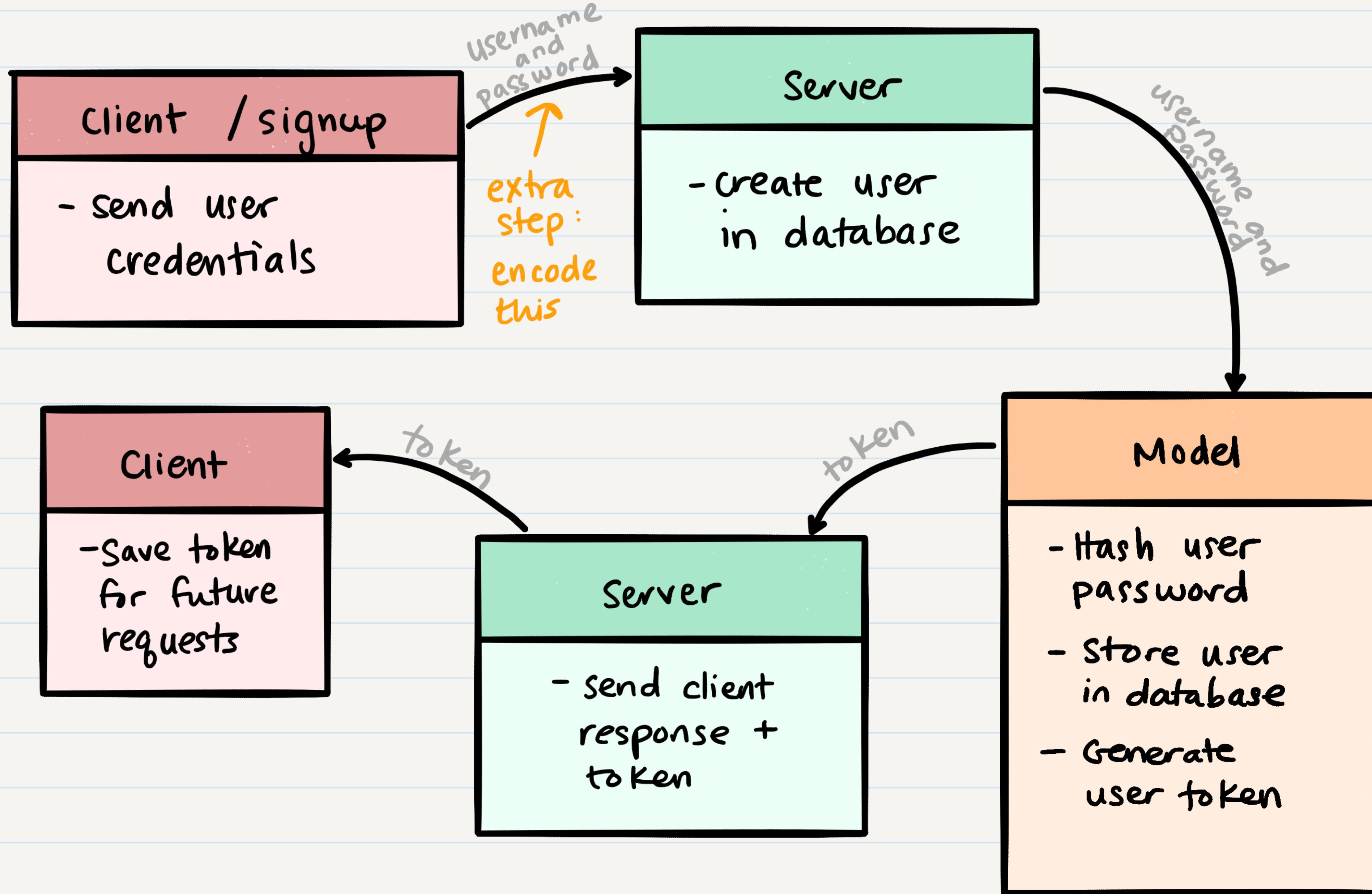
What we've learned

- We want to do our best to keep data secure when moving from client to server
- Clients need to **authenticate** that they are who they say they are
- Authenticated clients have access only to things they are **authorized** to have access to
- Servers need some way to let clients remain authenticated for subsequent requests
 - The server either maintains a **session** (stateful) or sends the client a **token** (stateless)









Encoding

- It's a common standard to **encode** username and password data using **base64 encoding**
- This has no security benefit, it's mainly so that:
 - The username and password are bundled together
 - We are treating the username and password as a Buffer instead of strings
 - This lets the username and password have special characters that JSON or string content might not like



Base64 Encoding

```
let username = 'myusername';
let password = 'mypassword';

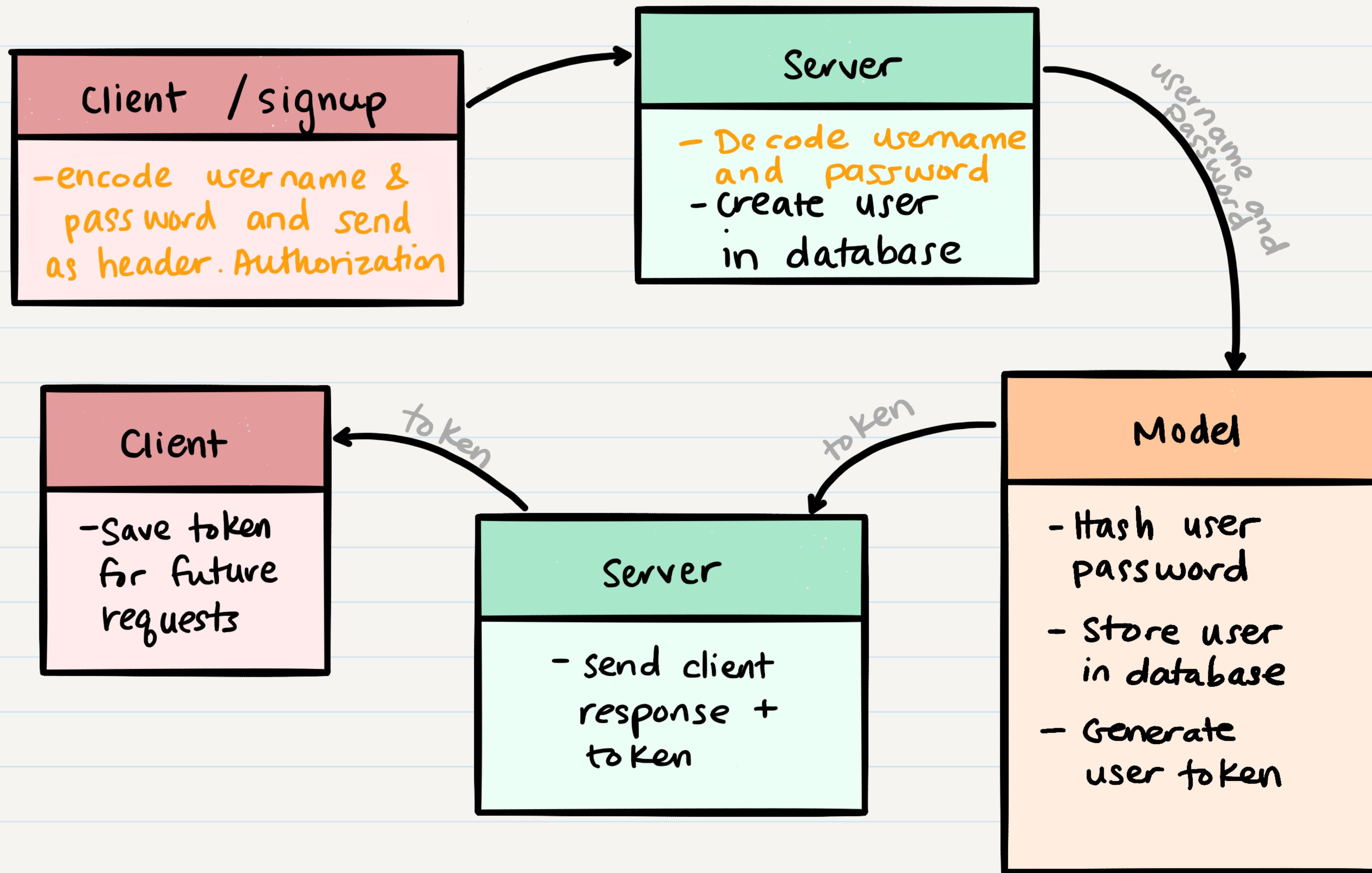
// combine into 'myusername:mypassword'
let combined = username + ':' + password;

// encode using base64
let encoded = new Buffer(combined).toString('base64');

// encoded = bXl1c2VybmFtZTpteXBhc3N3b3Jk
console.log(encoded);
```

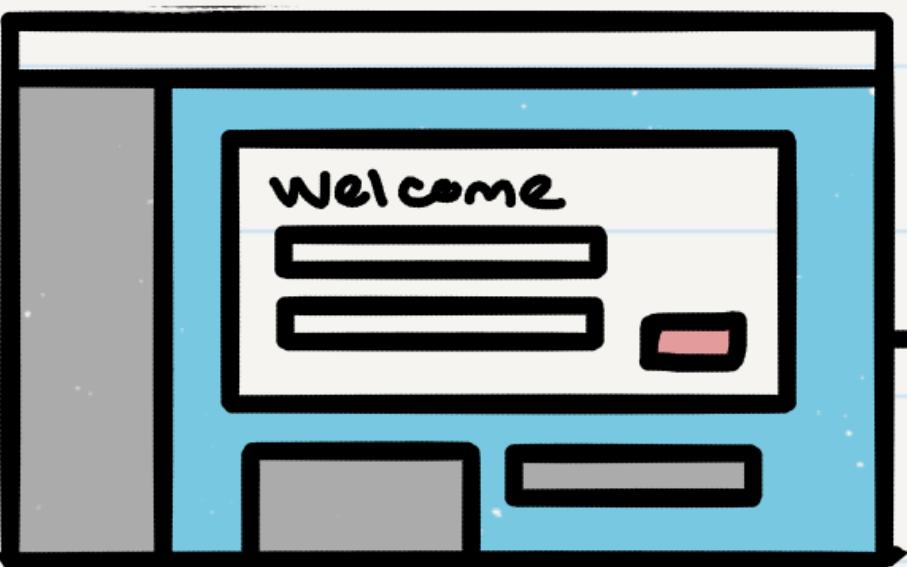
Using Base64 as “encryption”:





**Let's review all of our
data flow**

CLIENT



on Submit

Form entry:

username: **sarah**

password: **sarahpassword**

encode

Base 64 encoding:

"Basic" + encode("sarah: sarahpassword")

"Basic c2FyYWg6c2FyWhwYXNzd29yZA=="

Create Request

```
fetch('/signup', {  
  method: 'POST'  
  headers: {  
    Authorization: "Basic c2FyYW..."  
  }  
});
```

Wait for
response

SERVER



Receives request

```
req.headers.authorization =  
    "Basic c2FyYW..."
```

Decodes Auth Data

username : sarah

password : sarah password

Hashes Password

username : sarah

password : \$2b1xRu.Vh0...

Stores user in database

user = {

_id: ObjectId("5db89...")

username: sarah

password: #2b1xRu.Vh0...

_v: 0 }

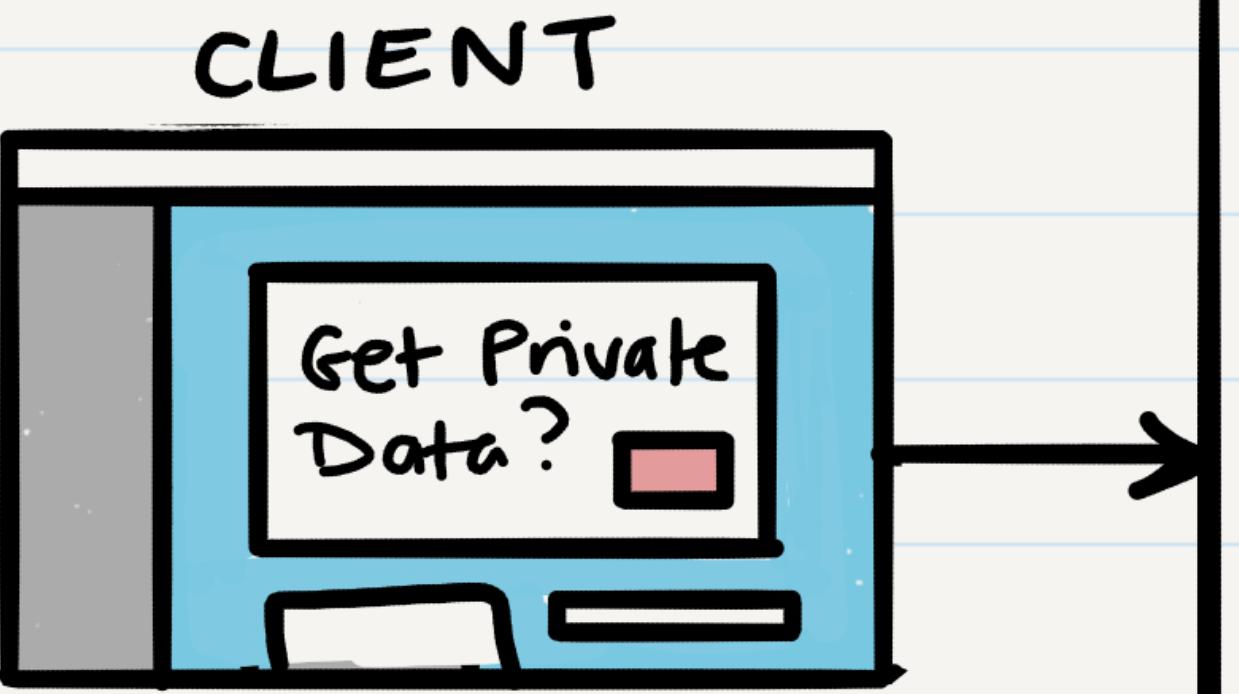
Generates Token from user

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token = jwt.sign(user._id, secret)
```

Sends token in response

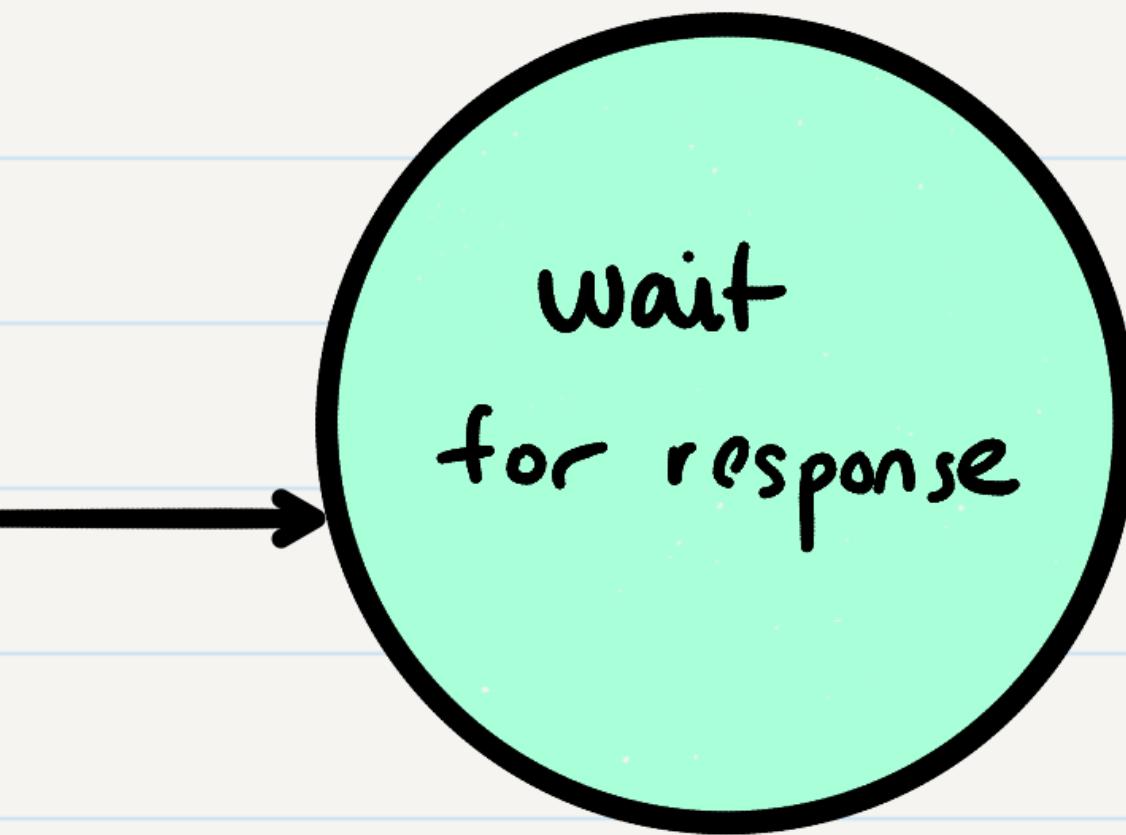
```
res.send(token)
```

Done



Create Request

```
fetch('/restricted', {  
  method: 'GET',  
  headers: {  
    token: token  
  }  
});
```



SERVER



Receives request

req.headers.token =
"eyJHbGciOiJlUzIN. eyJ..."

Verifies token data

data = jwt.verify(token,
secret);

Gets user from database

user = users.get(data._id)

Check user permissions

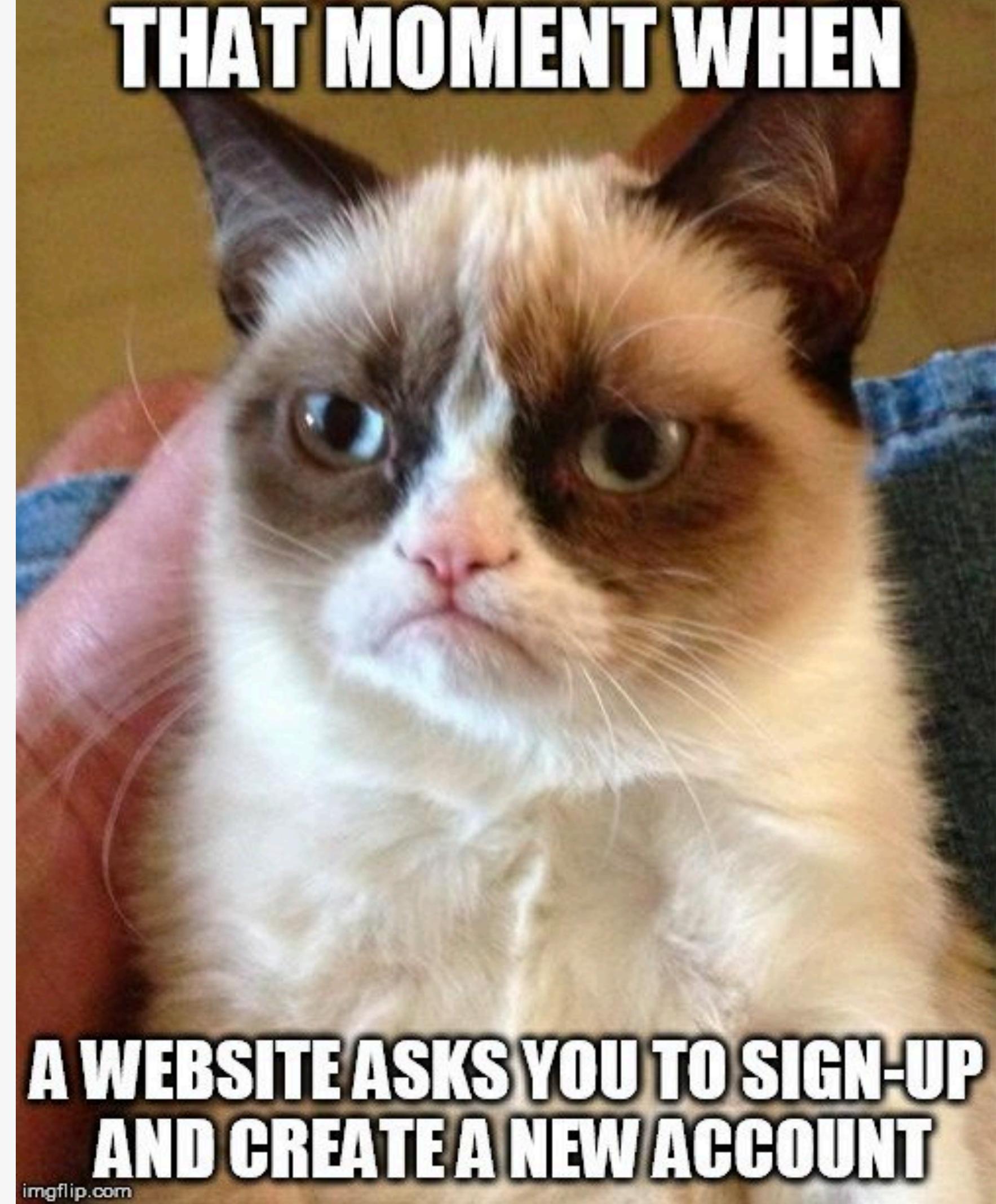
```
valid = canAccess(user,  
'restricted');
```

Sends requested response
res.send(restricted)

Done

Adding Complexity

- Now we should have a rough idea of how to:
 - Create new users from a client request
 - Generate tokens for quicker client authentication
 - Check client authorization to load restricted data
- Let's branch out even further:
 - Can we create new users from Gmail logins?
 - Can we make our server respond to more kinds of client requests? Not just encoded basic auth!



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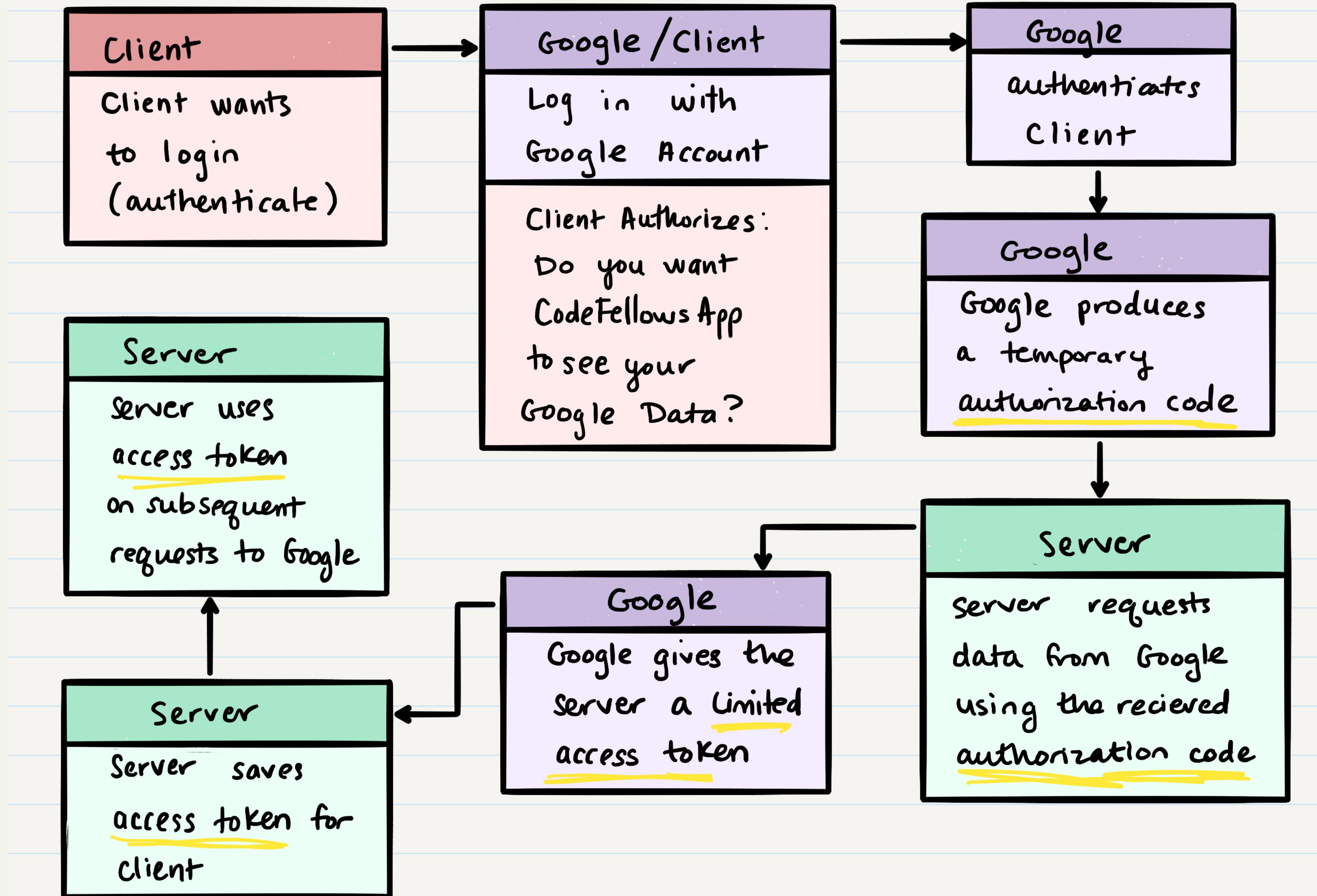
A WEBSITE ASKS YOU TO SIGN-UP
AND CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT

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Introducing OAuth

- When two unrelated websites are trying to accomplish something on behalf of a **shared user**, we use OAuth
- Sarah Smalls has an account on Gmail, and wants to use that to create an account on our CodeFellowsApp
 - Gmail authenticates Sarah
 - Gmail has a lot of data on Sarah, but doesn't want to send all of it. Instead, it sends a **limited access token**, giving CodeFellowsApp a small piece of Sarah's data
 - CodeFellowsApp creates its own database entry for Sarah, and stores the limited access token

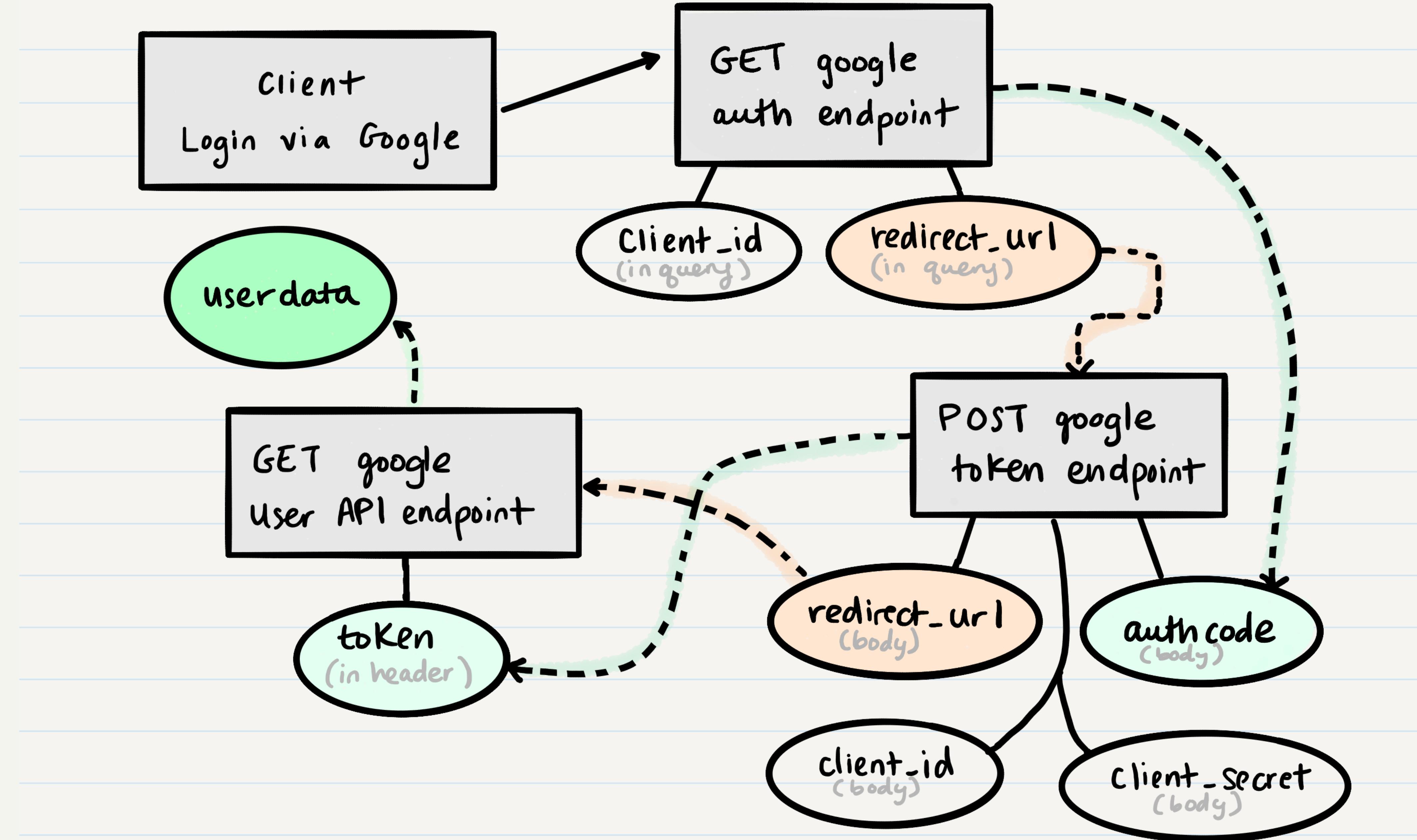




What you need for OAuth

- An external web server that has OAuth features. A lot of large-scale websites (Twitter, Facebook, Google, Amazon) have OAuth capabilities
- Some way to set up a developer project with the external web server. Google has developers.google.com
- A **client ID** and **client secret** from this external web server. Your web application should store these in some environment variables typically.
- An **authentication endpoint** to send the user so that they can log in (usually this is a website with a lot of query parameters to it knows how to get back to your application)
- A **token generation endpoint** - once the client is authenticated and authorized, where to get a token
- An **API endpoint** - once I have a token, where can I go to load authenticated user data?





OAuth is Generic

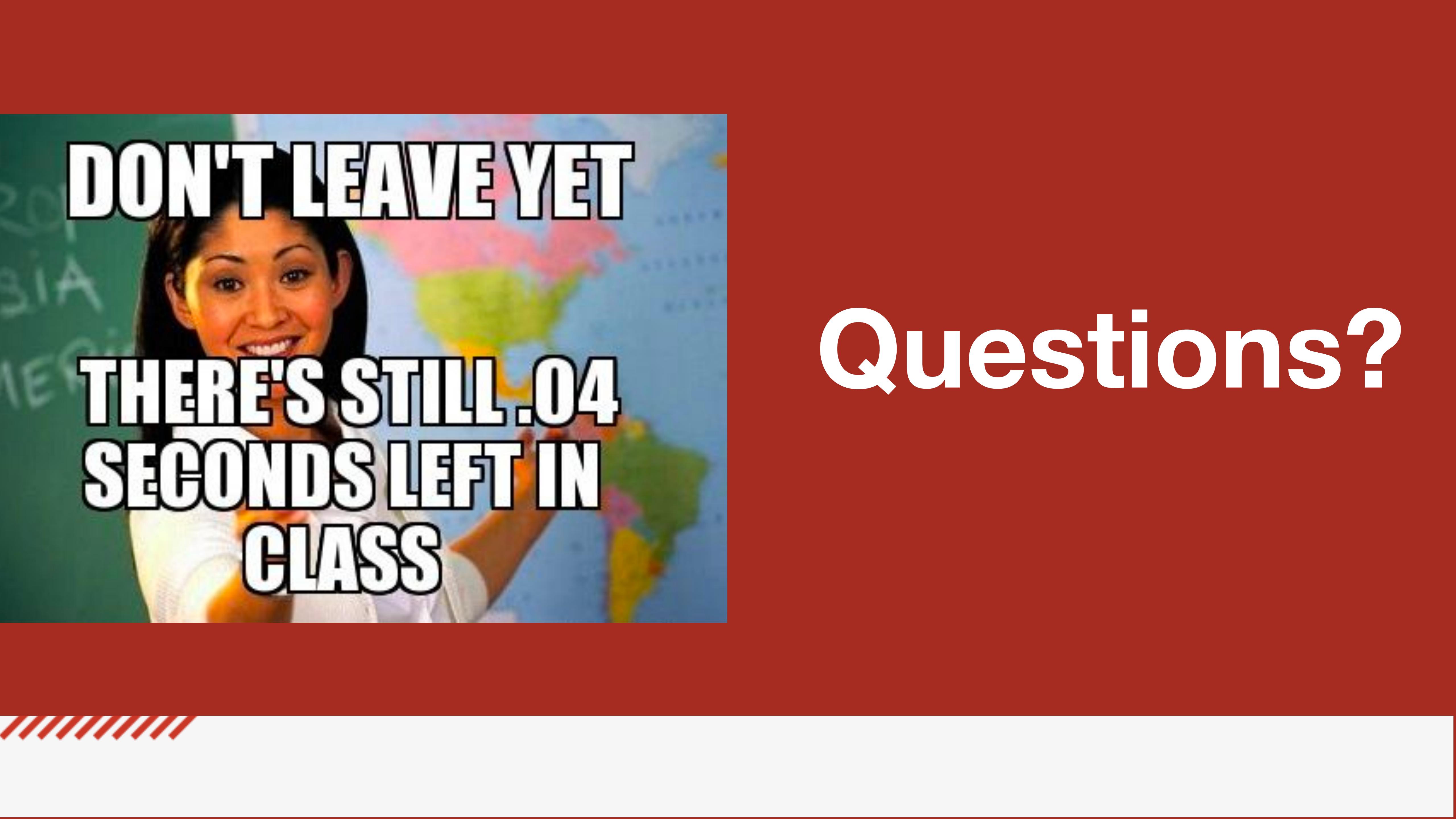
- Like REST, OAuth is a collection of rules on how to connect to external applications
 - OAuth is just specific to the use-case of authenticating a user
- Major pieces:
 - Client want to log in
 - OAuth server has an endpoint the client can go to
 - Client goes to endpoint with query params telling where to go after
 - Our Server is hit after client hits “log in” - OAuth server as given us an authorization code
 - We use the code to ask OAuth server for a token
 - We use the token to get user data from OAuth server



What's Next:

- Due by Midnight Tonight:
 - **Learning Journal Class 11**
- Due by Midnight Sunday:
 - **Feedback Week 6**
 - **Instructor Sync Reflection**
 - **Career Coaching**
 - **Personal Pitch**
 - **Resume**
- Due by Midnight Monday:
 - **Code Challenge 11**
- Due by 6:30pm Tuesday
 - **Lab 11**
 - **Reading Class 12**
- Next Class: **Class 12 - Bearer Authorization**



A photograph of a young woman with dark hair, smiling broadly. She is positioned in front of a world map that shows various continents in different colors. The map is mounted on a green chalkboard, which has some faint, illegible text written on it.

DON'T LEAVE YET

THERE'S STILL .04

SECONDS LEFT IN

CLASS

Questions?