

JWT AUTH

Used to identify authorized users.

Q. What is JWT Web Token?

A. **Open Standard**: means anywhere, anytime & anyone can use JWT.

- Secure data transfer

- It's digitally signed: Info is verified & trusted

- There is no alteration of data.

- Compact**: because JWT can be sent via URL, post req. & HTTP header

- Fast transmission makes JWT more usable.

- Self Contained**: because JWT itself holds user info.

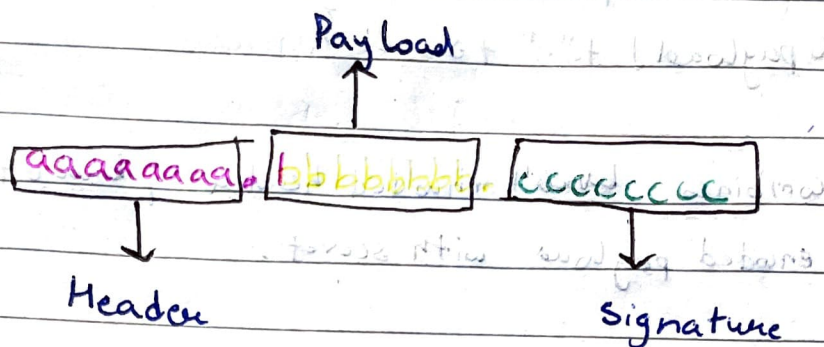
- Avoids querying Db more than once.

- JWT is Useful for:-

↳ Authentication

↳ Secure data transfer

JWT Token struct



1. Header

↳ contains algo. like RSA / HMACSHA 256 and info. type of token

{

"alg": "RSA / HMAC"

"Type": "JWT" Type of JWT

}

2. Payload

↳ login / user credentials

{

"loginname": "Raj"

"password": "1234"

}

3. Signature

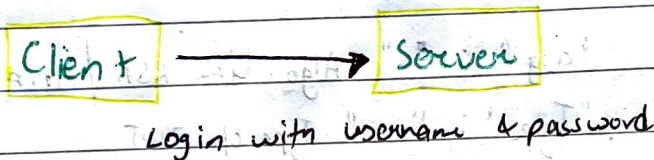
{ base64urlencoded (header) + "." + base64urlencoded (payload) + "." + secret }

- Combines base64 encoded header, base64 encoded payload with secret.

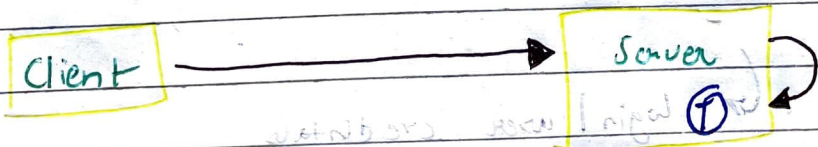
- More security.

Q. How does JWT?

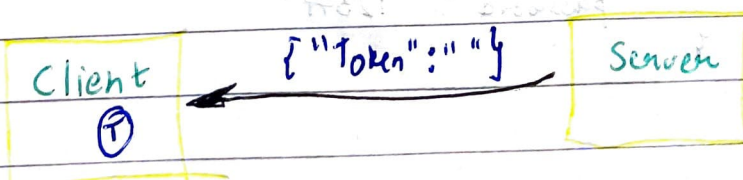
A. Step 1 : Client logs in with credentials



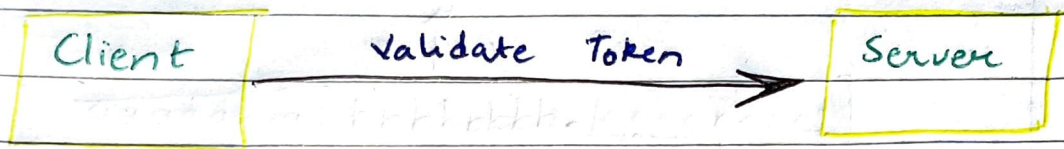
Step 2 : Server generates a JWT token at server side



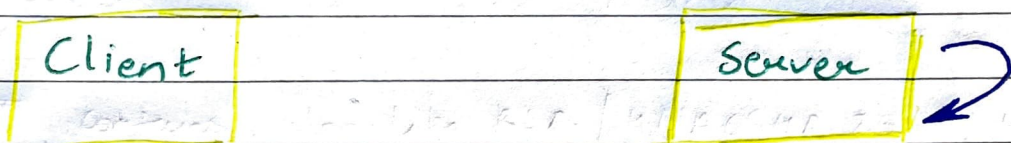
Step 3 : Server returns a token in response



Step 4: Client sends a copy of the token to validate the token



Step 5: server checks if valid/not



Step 6: Sends a msg to client

