

# DuoDolo

Security is not an afterthought when it comes to design



# The team

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**Goal:**

To create an  
end-to-end encrypted  
chat



# The problem

## Messaging Apps with no end-to-end encryption

- Confidentiality is at risk
  - Plaintext
  - Server can be an adversary as well
- Fragile integrity of the conversation
  - No message authentication





# The solution

## End-To-End encryption

- Preserve Confidentiality
- Only the people communicating can read the messages
- Prevents eavesdroppers from reading the messages without the keys
  - ISP
  - TELECOM PROVIDERS
  - Hackers(depends)

# Milestones

September  
2018

Phase 1: Setup your  
Node, Nginx server on a  
Ubuntu AWS instance

October 16  
2018

Phase 3:  
Encryption/Decryption

December 13  
2018

Phase 5: Finished Client

Sept

Oct

Nov

Dec

October 02  
2018

Phase 2: A simple  
HTTPS Server

Nov 6, 2018

Phase 4: JWT and  
RESTful Server

# Attack Surfaces

- Man in the Middle
  - Encrypted messages from hitting send to hitting receive
- Compromised Database
  - Passwords are hashed and stored in the database
- Server DDoS
  - No access for anyone

# Key Exchange

- One way we are exchanging keys between clients
- USB stick with a mechanical combination lock
  - Public key would be contained on the stick
  - Special Edition Cryptex USB Flash Drive 64 GB, USB 3.0, Gold Edition
    - \$69.99 Prime Free one-day
- Less secure alternative
  - Key server
    - <https://keyserver.pgp.com/vkd/GetWelcomeScreen.event>
    - Possible loss of authenticity





# How it works(sender)

## Step 1

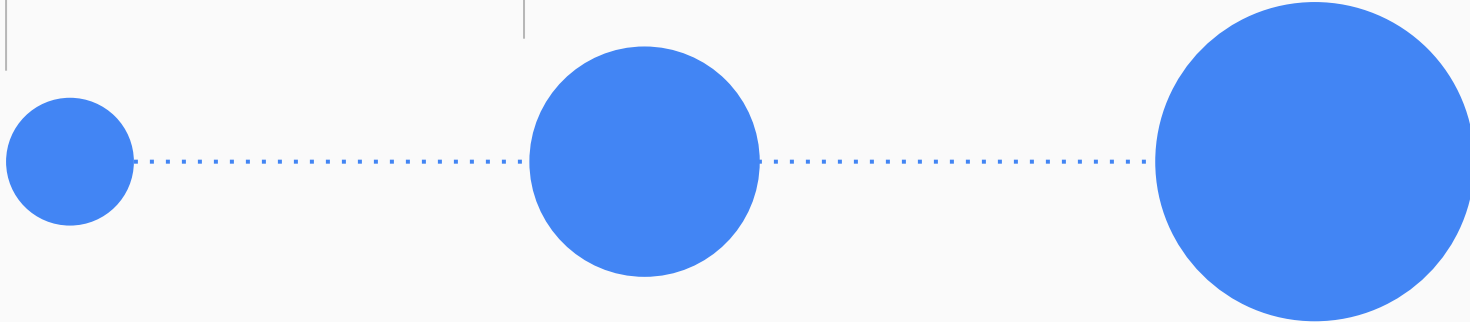
- User logs in
- Zero-Proof authentication
- User gains jwt

## Step 2

- User inputs message
- Message is encrypted with receiver's public key
- Encrypted message is hashed

## Step 3

- Message is sent to server
- Server stores the message in our mongodb atlas database



# How it works(receiver)

## Step 1

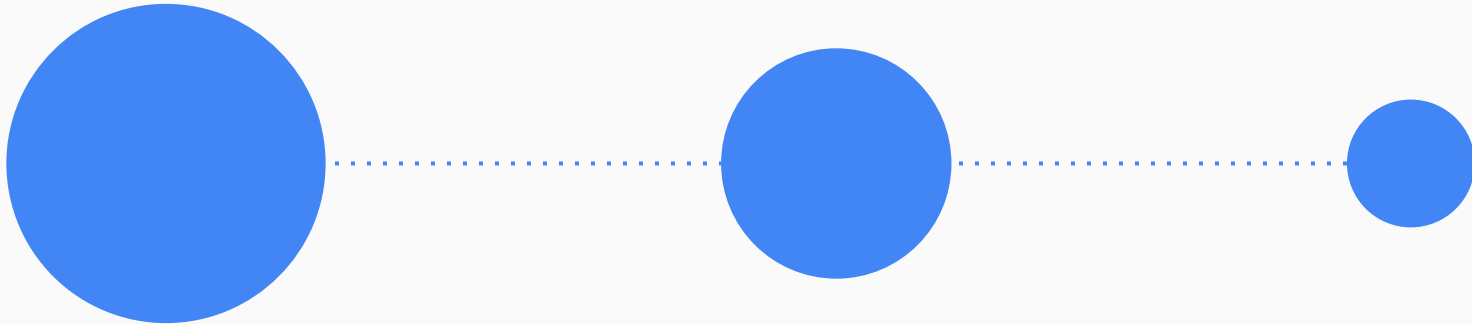
- Request to receive messages sent to from the server/database
- Get message

## Step 2

- Check integrity of the message

## Step 3

- Decrypt message with the users private key
- Ponder on how to reply





# The Technology:

- AWS
  - Server
- Node.js
  - Server code
- Python
  - Client Application
- SSL
- Encryption
  - AES
  - RSA
- MongoDB
- HMAC

# Shortcomings

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# DEMONSTRATION

