

# HTTP + REST + Firebase

Some of examples and definitions are from Firebase docs - <https://firebase.google.com/docs>, or great web docs <https://developer.mozilla.org/> or Wikipedia.

1.

**What is HTTP?**

# What is HTTP?

## Hypertext Transfer Protocol

HTTP is an protocol that is a high-level interface that we use to make request over the Internet.

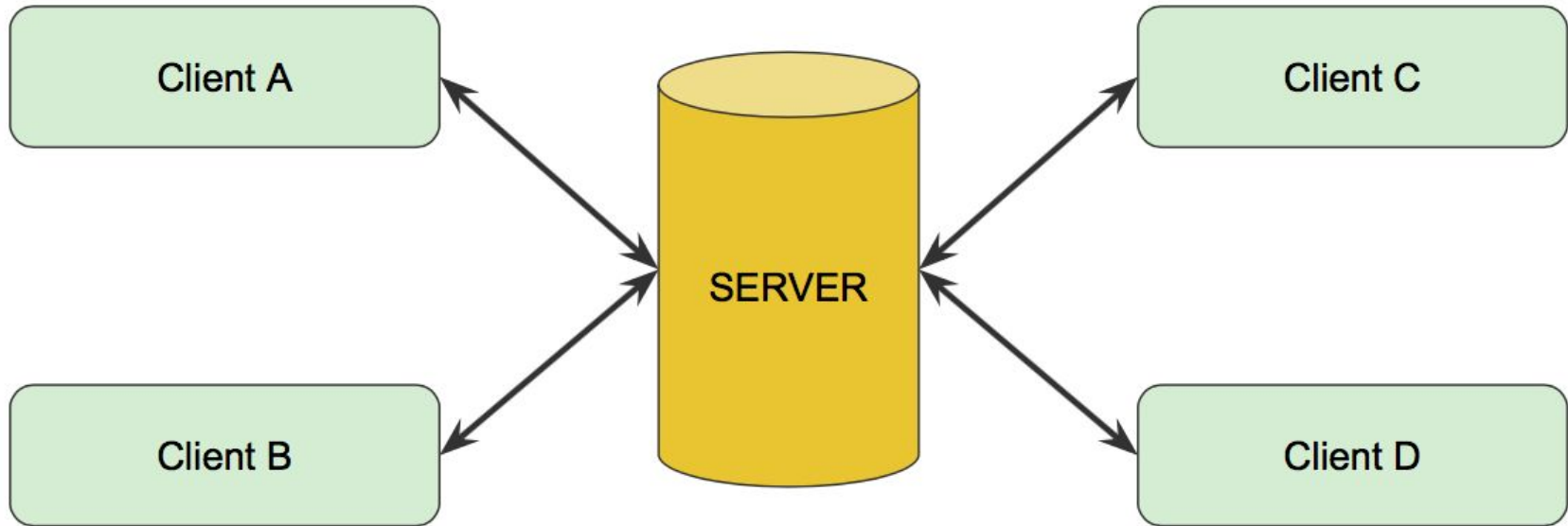
Its definition presumes an underlying and reliable transport layer protocol - Transmission Control Protocol (TCP) and physical infrastructure..

HTTP is:

- text
- stateless
- client-server architecture

# What is HTTP?

## Client-server architecture



# What is HTTP?

## URL

http://user:XYZ@example.com:3000/users/123?param=ABC&t=s

The diagram shows a URL with brackets underneath it, each bracket pointing to a specific part of the URL. Below the brackets are labels for each part: Protocol (blue), Password (orange), User (red), Host (grey), Port (purple), Resource/path (magenta), Id (red), and Parameters (green). The labels are arranged in two rows: the first row contains Protocol, Password, Port, and Id; the second row contains User, Host, Resource/path, and Parameters.

Protocol	User	Password	Host	Port	Resource/path	Id	Parameters
http	user	XYZ	example.com	3000	/users/	123	?param=ABC&t=s

# What is HTTP?

## Parts of URL

### Required:

- a. Protocol (**http://**)
- b. Host (**api.com**)
- c. Resource (**/users**)
- d. Object / id (**/users/123**)

### Optional:

- a. User and password (**http://user:pass@api.com/**)
- b. Parameters (**/users?s=word&limit=100**)
- c. Version (**/v2/users**)
- d. Port (**http://localhost:3000**)

# What is HTTP?

## HTTP request

The client and server communicate by **plain-text** messages.

The **client sends requests** to the server and the **server sends response**.

### Request contains:

1. A request line (e.g. GET users/123 HTTP/1.1)
2. Request header fields
3. An empty line
4. An optional message body

# What is HTTP?

## HTTP status codes

Status codes are issued by a server in response to a browser's request made to the server.

**1xx** - informational

**2xx** - success

**3xx** - redirections

**4xx** - client error

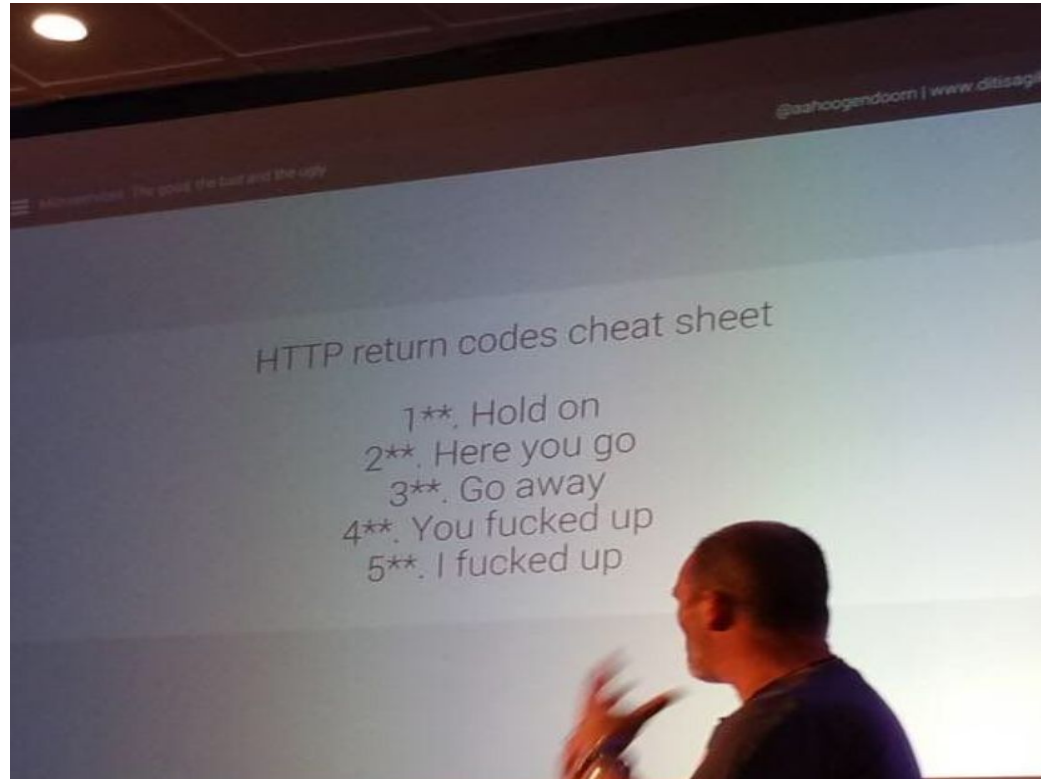
**5xx** - server error

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_HTTP\\_status\\_codes](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_HTTP_status_codes)



# What is HTTP?

## HTTP status codes cheat sheet



# What is HTTP?

**Every enterprise-grade software has cats inside ;)**

<https://http.cat/>

<https://httpstatusdogs.com/>

# What is HTTP?

## Headers

HTTP header fields are components of the header section of HTTP request and response.

They define the operating parameters of an HTTP transaction.

Headers can be checked here ->

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\\_of\\_HTTP\\_header\\_fields](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_HTTP_header_fields)

# What is HTTP?

## Message body

HTTP Message Body is the data bytes transmitted in an HTTP transaction message immediately following the headers.

# What is HTTP?

## Sample HTTP response

HTTP/1.1 200 OK

Date: Sun, 10 Oct 2010 23:26:07 GMT

Server: Apache/2.2.8 (Ubuntu) mod\_ssl/2.2.8 OpenSSL/0.9.8g

Last-Modified: Sun, 26 Sep 2010 22:04:35 GMT

Accept-Ranges: bytes

Content-Length: 13

Connection: close

Content-Type: text/html

Hello world!

## 2. REST API

# REST API

## API - application programming interface

In general terms, it is a set of clearly defined methods of communication between various software components. A good API makes it easier to develop a computer program by providing all the building blocks, which are then put together by the programmer.

# REST API

## REST - Representational State Transfer

A way of providing interoperability between computer systems on the Internet. REST-compliant Web services allow requesting systems to access and manipulate textual representations of Web resources using a uniform and predefined set of stateless operations.

REST has:

- Unified interface
- Stateless communication
- Client-server architecture
- Hipermedia
- HATEOAS



## “ Task 0

*Find an install Chrome plugin  
called JSON Viewer*

# REST API

## Checking weather for Lublin through REST API

HOST: <http://api.openweathermap.org>

RESOURCE: forecast

VERSION: 2.5

CITY ID: 765876

API Key: 0b3d75e5a49f2a267f054a0a60bed6f3

<http://api.openweathermap.org/data/2.5/forecast?id=765876&APPID=0b3d75e5a49f2a267f054a0a60bed6f3>

# REST API

## Resources representation

**GET /users/123**

```
{  
  "id": 123,  
  "name": "Imię",  
  "surname": "Nazwisko",  
  "active": 0  
}
```

**PUT /users/123**

```
{  
  "id": 123,  
  "name": "Stefan",  
  "surname": "Kowalski",  
  "active": 1  
}
```

# REST API

## Hypermedia As The Engine Of Application State

**GET /users/123**

```
{  
  "id": 123,  
  "name": "Imię",  
  "surname": "Nazwisko",  
  "active": 0,  
  "links": {  
    "self": "http://example.com/users/123",  
    "parent": "http://example.com/users"  
  },  
}
```

# REST API

## JSON - JavaScript Object Notation

**JSON** is an standard file format that uses human-readable text to transmit data objects consisting of attribute–value pairs and array data types. It is a very common data format used for asynchronous browser–server communication.

**JSON** data is JS object literal, with keys surrounded by double quotes and it allows data types:

- number
- string
- boolean
- array
- object
- null

# REST API

## JSON - JavaScript Object Notation

```
{  
  "account": -1221.43,  
  "name": "Imię",  
  "data": [1, 2, 3],  
  "parent": { ... },  
  "active": false,  
  "emptyValue": null  
}
```

## “ Task 1

*Find an install Chrome plugin  
called Advanced REST Client*

## “ Task 2

*Using <http://openweathermap.org/>  
check actual temperature in  
Gdańsk in Celsius degrees*

*0b3d75e5a49f2a267f054a0a60bed  
6f3*



# REST API

## Example API

<http://omdbapi.com/>

<https://randomuser.me/>

## “ Task 3

*Using GET check what is under  
the endpoint*

*<https://ad-snadbox.firebaseio.com/get-endpoint.json>*

# REST API

## Basic methods

**GET** - getting resources

**POST** - creating new resources

**PUT** - updating whole resource

**PATCH** - updating part of resource

**DELETE** - delete resource

# REST API

## Basic methods on Firebase REST API example

<https://firebase.google.com/docs/reference/rest/databases/>

# REST API

## Basic methods

1. **GET** /users/YOUR\_NAME.json

2. **POST** /users/YOUR\_NAME.json

```
{ "name": "Mateusz", "surname": "Choma", "phone": "+48" }
```

3. **PUT** /users/YOUR\_NAME/\_ID\_.json

```
{ "name": "Mateusz", "surname": "Choma", "active": 0,  
"phone": "+48" }
```

4. **PATCH** /users/YOUR\_NAME/\_ID\_.json

```
{ "active": 1 }
```

5. **DELETE** /users/YOUR\_NAME/\_ID\_.json

## “ Task 4

*Try to use methods from  
previous side on this API  
<https://ad-snadbox.firebaseio.com/>*

## “ Task 5

*Make all this requests using  
FETCH in REACT.*

*\* triggered by button clicks*

*\*\* editable body in textarea*

## *Task 6 BEER CONTEST!*

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*This API sends mails -  
<https://emaillabs-sender.herokuapp.com/>*

*Use POST to send mail to  
[chomamateusz@gmail.com](mailto:chomamateusz@gmail.com)*

*Fastest WIN!*



## *Task 6 BEER CONTEST!*

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*API require POST body to be a JSON object that has properties:*

*emails - array of to emails [strings]*

*message - message [string]*

*subject - subject [string]*

*from - email of sender [string]*

*fromName - name of sender [string]*

**3.**

**What is Firebase? Serverless architecture.**

# What is Firebase? Serverless architecture.

## Basic info

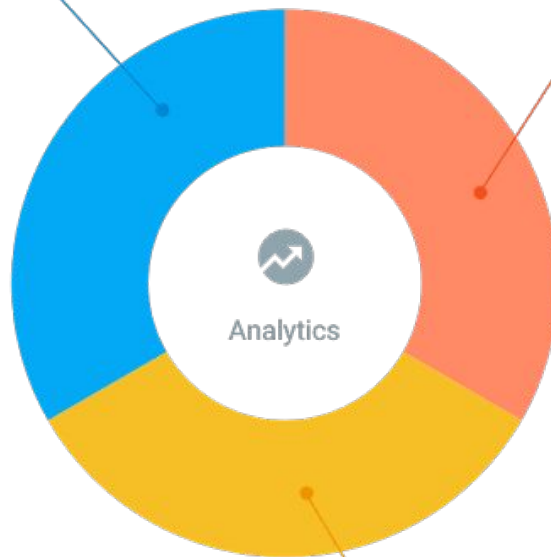
- Firebase is a platform for developing apps
- Firebase should be able to replace backend servers
- They have libs to handle Firebase from web, Android and iOS apps.
- Firebase, Inc. was founded in 2011
- In 2014 was acquired by Google
- In 2015 Google calls Firebase “United app platform” on Google I/O conference

# What is Firebase? Serverless architecture.

## Unified app platform

### DEVELOP

- Realtime Database
- Authentication
- Cloud Messaging
- Storage
- Hosting
- Remote Config
- Test Lab
- Crash Reporting



### GROW

- Notifications
- App Indexing
- Dynamic Links
- Invites
- AdWords

### EARN



# 4. Getting started

## “ Task 7

*Make a personal and team  
project in Google Firebase*

# Getting started

## Console and features

# EXPLORING FIREBASE CONSOLE & FEATURES

# Getting started

## Firestore docs

# EXPLORING FIREBASE DOCS - REFERENCE AND GUIDES



# Getting started

## Firestore CLI

The Firestore CLI (GitHub) provides a variety of tools for managing, viewing, and deploying to Firestore projects.

```
npm install -g firestore-tools  
firestore login
```

# Getting started

## Firestore Init

```
firebase init
```

The firebase init command does not create a new directory. If you're starting a new project from scratch, you should first make a directory and change directories into it before running the init command.

# Getting started

## Firestore Hosting

- Free hosting with limited transfer
- Free to connect own domain
- Free and auto SSL certificate
- Deploy from CLI
- Roll-back option from console

# Getting started

## Firestore Hosting

Testing project locally

```
firebase serve
```

Deploying project

```
firebase deploy
```

## “ Task 8

*Deploy your team landing page  
on your personal Firebase  
project.*

# 5. Realtime database

# Realtime database

## noSQL databases

A **NoSQL** (originally referring to "non SQL" or "non relational") database provides a mechanism for storage and retrieval of data that is modeled in means other than the tabular relations used in relational databases. - Wikipedia

# Realtime database

## noSQL databases

The **Firestore Realtime Database** is a cloud-hosted database. Data is stored as JSON and synchronized in realtime to every connected client. When you build cross-platform apps with our iOS, Android, and JavaScript SDKs, all of your clients share one Realtime Database instance and automatically receive updates with the newest data.

We can access that database by REST endpoints also.



# Realtime database

## Database Rules

**Firestore Database Rules** determine who has read and write access to your database, how your data is structured, and what indexes exist. These rules live on the Firestore servers and are enforced automatically at all times. **Every read and write request will only be completed if your rules allow it.** By default, your rules are set to allow only authenticated users full read and write access to your database.

# Realtime database

## Database Rules - default

```
// These rules require authentication
{
  "rules": {
    ".read": "auth != null",
    ".write": "auth != null"
  }
}
```

# Realtime database

## Database Rules - public

```
// These rules give ANYONE,  
// read and write access to your  
database  
{  
  "rules": {  
    ".read": true,  
    ".write": true  
  }  
}
```

# Realtime database

## Database Rules - users access their data

```
// These rules grant access to a node matching the
// authenticated
// user's ID from the Firebase auth token
{
  "rules": {
    "users": {
      "$uid": {
        ".read": "$uid === auth.uid",
        ".write": "$uid === auth.uid"
      }
    }
  }
}
```

## “ Task 9

*Add public rules to your personal project.*

# Realtime database

## Connecting firebase app to our JS project

We need Firebase library to get all Firebase possibilities like real time database.

In simple website we can use CDN:

```
<script  
src="https://www.gstatic.com/firebasejs/4.5.0/firebase.js"></script>
```

In React app we can install it from npm:

```
npm install --save firebase
```

# Realtime database

## Connecting firebase app to our JS project

```
// Set the configuration for your app
var config = {
  apiKey: "apiKey",
  authDomain: "projectId.firebaseio.com",
  databaseURL: "https://databaseName.firebaseio.com",
  storageBucket: "bucket.appspot.com"
};
firebase.initializeApp(config);
```

## Realtime database

### Connecting firebase app to our JS project

We can add and initialise Firebase wherever we want, but the best place for it is separate file `firebase.js` in our `/src` folder. In that file we can import firebase library initialize the app and export the initialized app.



# Realtime database

## Getting into Firebase Database

As Firebase offers us many different services we must firstly choose what service we want to use.

If we want to use realtime database we can call:

```
var db = firebase.database();
```

## “ Task 10

*Connect firebase to your react app in separate .js file. Export form in firebase.database()*

# Realtime database

## How we store data - some rules

1. Data in Realitme Database is a JSON tree
2. It allows nesting data up to 32 levels deep but nesting isn't recommended. When you fetch data at a location in your database, you also retrieve ALL of its child nodes.
3. Flat data structures (denormalization). If the data is split into parts it can be efficiently downloaded in separate calls, as it is needed.

# Realtime database

## Getting the path to write

We can reference any path in our database (even that doesn't exists) by calling ref on database reference.

```
var dbRef = firebase.database().ref();
```

```
var dbRef =  
firebase.database().ref('my/firts/path');
```

# Realtime database

## Simply writing the data

For basic write operations, you can use **set()** to save data to a specified reference, **replacing any existing data at that path**. For example:

```
firebase.database().ref(cats/).set("Fluffy");
```

```
firebase.database().ref(cats/).set({name: "Fluffy"});
```

## “ Task 11

*Write “it works” to  
“my/first/path” path in your  
personal Firebase project.*

## “ Task 12

*Write an object with your personal data (name, surname, age) to “myData” path in your personal Firebase project.*

## “ Task 13

*Write an array with integers  
( for example: [1,2,3] ) to  
“array” path in your personal  
Firebase project.*



# Realtime database

## Deleting the data

The simplest way to delete data is to call **remove()** on a reference to the location of that data.

You can also delete by specifying **null** as the value for another write operation such as **set()**.

## “ Task 14

*Write the code that deletes all data that was be written previously to your personal project.*

# Realtime database

## Simply reading the data

In Firebase we can fetch data **once or every time** subscribing to database changes and get notifications on one of these events:

- `child added`
- `child changed`
- `child_removed`
- `value`

# Realtime database

## Read data once

In some cases you may want a snapshot of your data without listening for changes, such as when initializing a UI element that you don't expect to change. You can use the **once()** method to simplify this scenario: it triggers once and then does not trigger again.

```
var dbRef = firebase.database().ref();
dbRef.once('value', function(snapshot) {
  let value = snapshot.val();
});
```

# Realtime database

## Read data on each event

In other cases we want to be informed when something happens in database. We can call **on()** instead of **once()**

```
var dbRef = firebase.database().ref();  
dbRef.on('value', function(snapshot) {  
    let value = snapshot.val();  
});
```

## “ Task 15

*Read the data once from your database, and explore what snapshot object is.*

*Pay attention to forEach method.*

# Realtime database

What is the realtime thing?

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## “ Task 16

*Subscribe to value event on  
some path in your personal  
project. Display its contents.  
Update it every time it changes.*



# Realtime database

## Reading and writing lists

When we want to add another child to a location in our database we can call **push()** method on that reference.

```
var dbRef = firebase.database().ref();
```

```
// Create a new post reference with an auto-generated id  
var newPostRef = dbRef.push();  
newPostRef.set({...});
```

```
// this line do the same as line above  
dbRef.push({...});
```

## “ Task 17

*Push some random user values fetched from `randomuser.me/api` to “`userList`” path in your personal project.*

# Realtime database

## Sorting and filtering data

We can build simple queries to obtain data sorted by key, by value, or by value of a child.

You can also filter the sorted result to a specific number of results or a range of keys or values.

# Realtime database

## Sort data

- **orderByChild()** - Order results by the value of a specified child key
- **orderByKey()** - Order results by child keys
- **orderByValue()** - Order results by child values

Most useful is **orderByChild()** method. We can sort list of user objects by age, for example.

How the data is ordered - <https://firebase.google.com/docs/database/web/lists-of-data#data-order>

**Realtime database**

**Sort data**

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## “ Task 18

*Order data previously fetched  
from randomuser.me by  
firstname.*

# Realtime database

## Filtering data

- **limitToFirst()** - Sets the maximum number of items to return from the beginning of the ordered list of results.
- **limitToLast()** - Sets the maximum number of items to return from the end of the ordered list of results.
- **startAt()** - Return items greater than or equal to the specified key or value, depending on the order-by method chosen.
- **endAt()** - Return items less than or equal to the specified key or value, depending on the order-by method chosen.
- **equalTo()** - Return items equal to the specified key or value, depending on the order-by method chosen.

## “ Task 19

*Get the last and first 2 children  
of previously fetched from  
randomuser.me user list.*



## “ Task 20

*Get the user that have certain email (check in Firebase console to choose one) using the equalTo()*

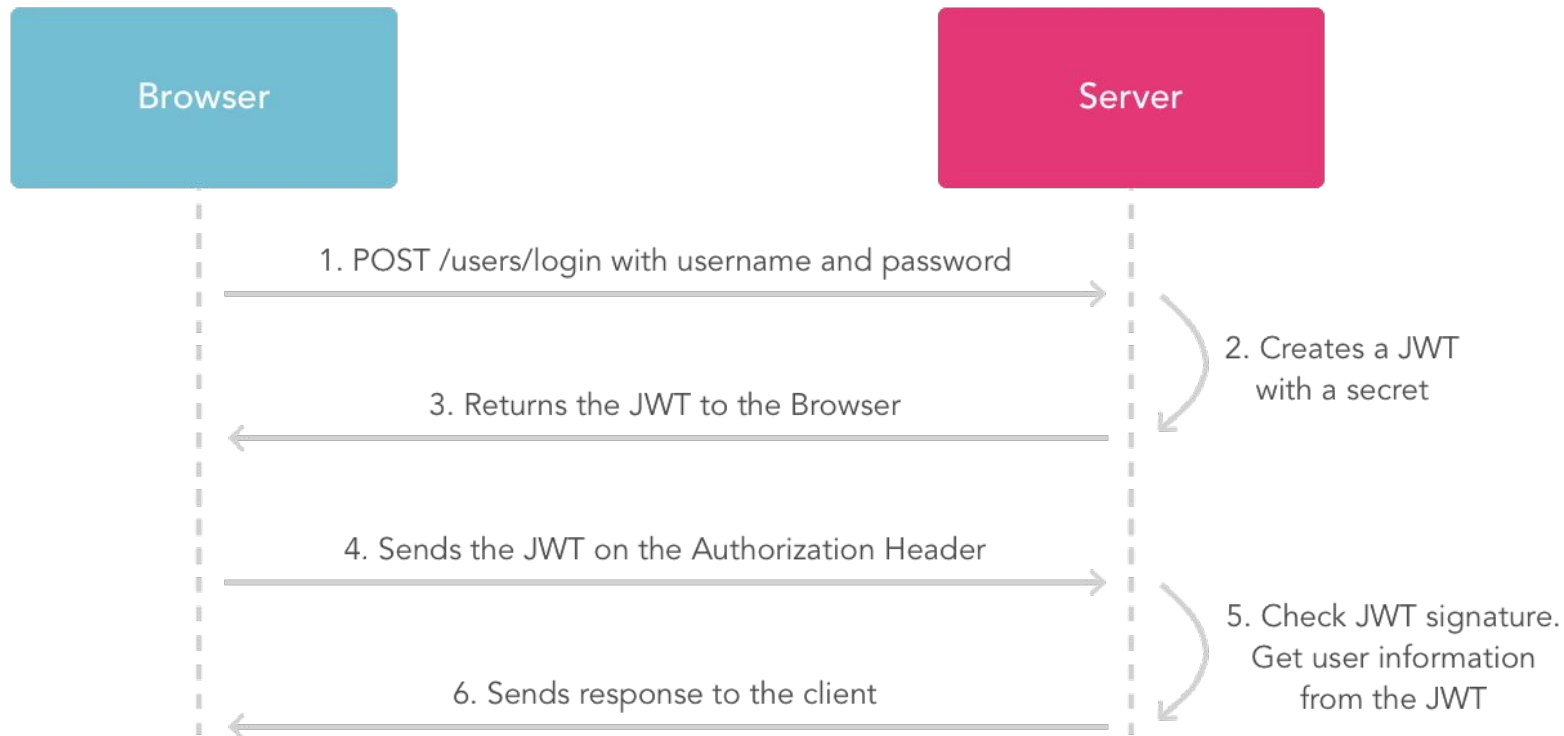
# 6. Authentication

# Authentication Possibilities

- Email and password based authentication
- 3rd party - Google, Facebook, Twitter, GitHub
- Phone number (SMS)
- Custom
- Anonymus

# Authentication

## JWT conception



# Authentication

## Step by step

1. Set up sign-in methods
2. Implement UI flows for your sign-in methods
3. Pass the user's credentials to the Firebase Authentication SDK

# Authentication

## Firestore auth service

```
var auth = firebase.auth() ;
```

It's very similar to database service.

# Authentication

## User creation

```
firebase.auth()  
  .createUserWithEmailAndPassword(email, password)  
    .catch(function(error) {  
      // Handle Errors here.  
      var errorCode = error.code;  
      var errorMessage = error.message;  
    });
```

## “ Task 21

*Create first e-mail and password user in Firebase console or by code.*



# Authentication

## User sign in

```
firebase.auth()  
  .signInWithEmailAndPassword(email, password)  
    .catch(function(error) {  
      // Handle Errors here.  
      var errorCode = error.code;  
      var errorMessage = error.message;  
    });
```

# Authentication

## User sign in

```
firebase.auth()  
  .signOut()  
    .then(function() {  
      // Sign-out successful.  
    }, function(error) {  
      // An error happened.  
    });
```

## “ Task 22

*Create simple form to log in  
and out users.*

# Authentication

## Check login/logout state

```
firebase.auth().onAuthStateChanged(function(user) {  
  if (user) {  
    // User is signed in.  
  } else {  
    // User is NOT signed in.  
  }  
});
```

## “ Task 23

*Log user in and checkout information provided in user object from `onAuthStateChanged()` method.*

## “ Task 24

*Display information if the user  
is logged in or not.*

*Make login panel from that.*

# Authentication

## 3-rd party login - Google

### Before begin!

Enable Google Sign-In in the Firebase console:

1. In the Firebase console, open the Auth section.
2. On the Sign in method tab, enable the Google sign-in method and click Save.

# Authentication

## 3-rd party login - Google

First we must choose provider:

```
var provider = new firebase.auth.GoogleAuthProvider();
```

Code below is identical to all providers! Configuration differs!

```
firebase.auth().signInWithPopup(provider)
    .then(function(result) {
        // This gives you a result
        console.log(result);
    }).catch(function(error) {
        // Handle Errors here.
    });
```



## “ Task 25

*Log yourself in by Google,  
check the result object and find  
and decode auth token (jwt.io).*

## “ Task 26

*Create login form that logs an user and push current date (timestamp) to “log/userLogins/\$userId”.*

# Authentication

## Current user

We can access current user from every place we can access firebase object by calling:

```
var user = firebase.auth().currentUser;
```

# Authentication

## Easy updating profile

You can update a user's basic profile information —the user's display name and profile photo URL—with the **updateProfile()** method. For example:

```
var user = firebase.auth().currentUser;
user.updateProfile({
  displayName: "Jane Q. User",
  photoURL: "https://example.com/jane-q-user/profile.jpg"
}).then(function() {
  // Update successful.
}).catch(function(error) {
  // An error happened.
});
```

## *Task 27 - put it all together*

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*Create an app that:*

- displays login box if no user logged*
- logs user by Google or email/pass*
- displays a txt input that user can pushed under “tasks/\$userId/” path*
- displays a list of items saved in “tasks/\$userId/”*

# 7. Storage

# Storage

## Getting started

**Cloud Storage for Firebase** lets you upload and share user generated content, such as images and video, which allows you to build rich media content into your apps. Your data is stored in a [Google Cloud Storage](#) bucket.

Cloud Storage lets you securely upload these files directly from mobile devices and web browsers, handling spotty networks with ease.

# Storage

## Storage rules

```
// Anyone can read or write to the bucket,  
even non-users of your app.
```

```
service firebase.storage {  
  match /b/{bucket}/o {  
    match /{allPaths=**} {  
      allow read, write;  
    }  
  }  
}
```



# Storage

## Gettnig into Firebase Storage

If we want to use storage service we can call:

```
var storage = firebase.storage();
```

We can create references to certain paths in storage the same way as in database:

```
var storageRef = storage.ref();
```

# Storage

## Downloading data

```
storageRef.child('images/stars.jpg')  
  .getDownloadURL()  
  .then(function(url) {  
    // `url` is the download URL for  
    // 'images/stars.jpg'  
  
    // here we can set this URL  
    // as img src attribute (if it is an image)  
  
  });
```

# Storage

## Simple upload

```
var file = ... // use the file from eg. file input

ref.put(file).then(function(snapshot) {
  console.log('Uploaded a blob or file!');
});
```

**Storage**

**Simple upload**

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# Storage

## Simple upload

The put() method return an uploadTask.

```
var uploadTask =  
    storageRef.child('images/rivers.jpg').put(file);
```

We can monitor state of upload by call on() method of uploadTask.

# Storage

## Upload with progress monitoring

```
uploadTask.on('state_changed', function(snapshot) {  
    var progress =  
        (snapshot.bytesTransferred /  
         snapshot.totalBytes) * 100;  
  
    console.log('Upload is ' + progress + '% done');  
}, function(error) {  
    console.log('error');  
}, function() {  
    var downloadURL =  
        uploadTask.snapshot.downloadURL;  
});
```

**Storage**

**Upload with progress monitoring**

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**THANKS!**