

Lets consider the web mail application scenario and see how session management works.

Assume Ron & Tim access the web mail application

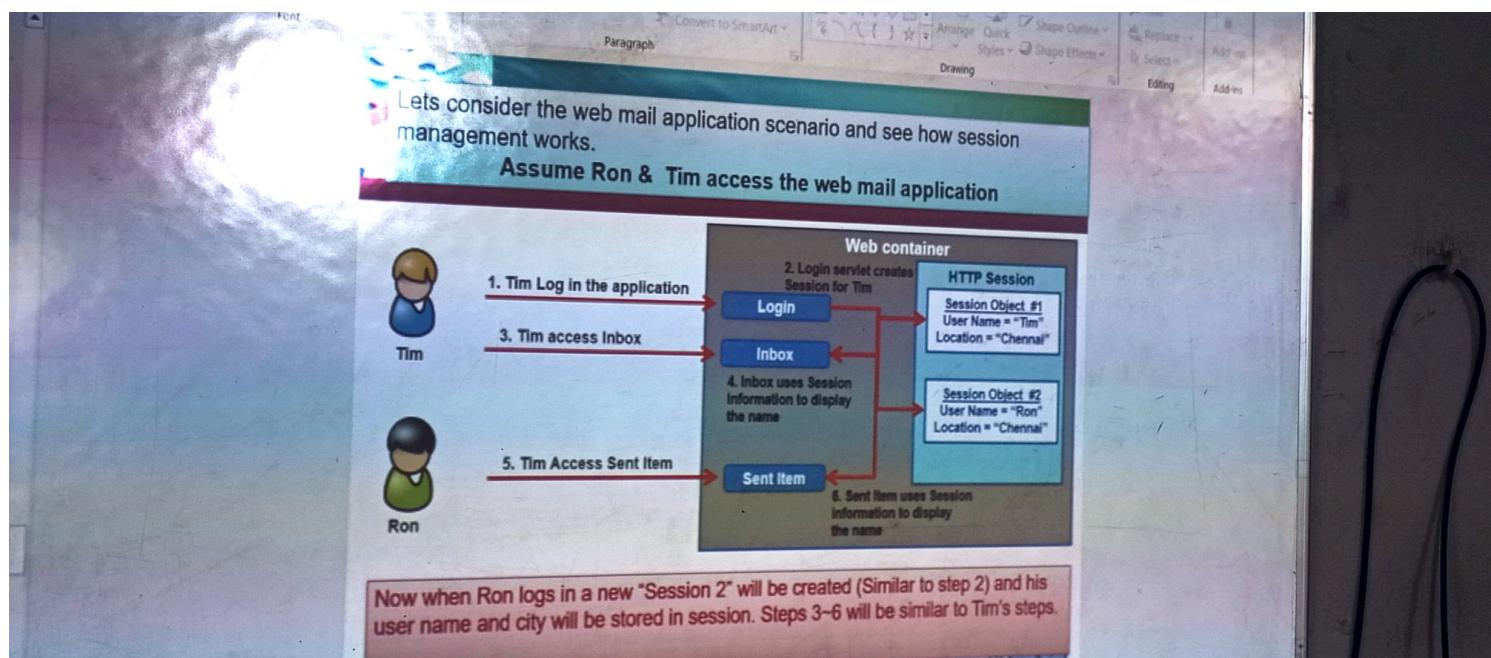
The diagram illustrates the session management process in a web mail application. It shows two users, Tim and Ron, interacting with a 'Web container' which contains a 'Login' page, an 'Inbox' page, and a 'Sent Item' page. The process is as follows:

1. Tim Log in the application
2. Login servlet creates Session for Tim
3. Tim access Inbox
4. Inbox uses Session information to display the name
5. Tim Access Sent Item
6. Sent Item uses Session information to display the name

The 'HTTP Session' is shown containing two session objects:

- Session Object #1: User Name = "Tim", Location = "Chennai"
- Session Object #2: User Name = "Ron", Location = "Chennai"

Now when Ron logs in a new "Session 2" will be created (Similar to step 2) and his user name and city will be stored in session. Steps 3-6 will be similar to Tim's steps.



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Session Value Storage?

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Each value would have a name bound to it for retrieving the values.

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Where user Name and Location are Key.
Tim & Chennai are the respective values.

Attribute Name	Value
User	Tim
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Http Session Important API's

	Description
<code>String <u>getAttribute(String attributeName)</u></code>	Returns the object/value bound with the specified attribute name in this session, or null if no object is bound under the name.
<code>Enumeration <u>getAttributeNames()</u></code>	Returns an Enumeration of String objects containing the attribute names of all the objects bound to this session.
<code>long <u>getCreationTime()</u></code>	Returns the time when this session was created
<code>String <u>getId()</u></code>	Returns a string containing the unique identifier assigned to this session which is the <u>jsessionID</u> .
<code>long <u>getLastAccessedTime()</u></code>	Returns the last time the client accessed the session object.

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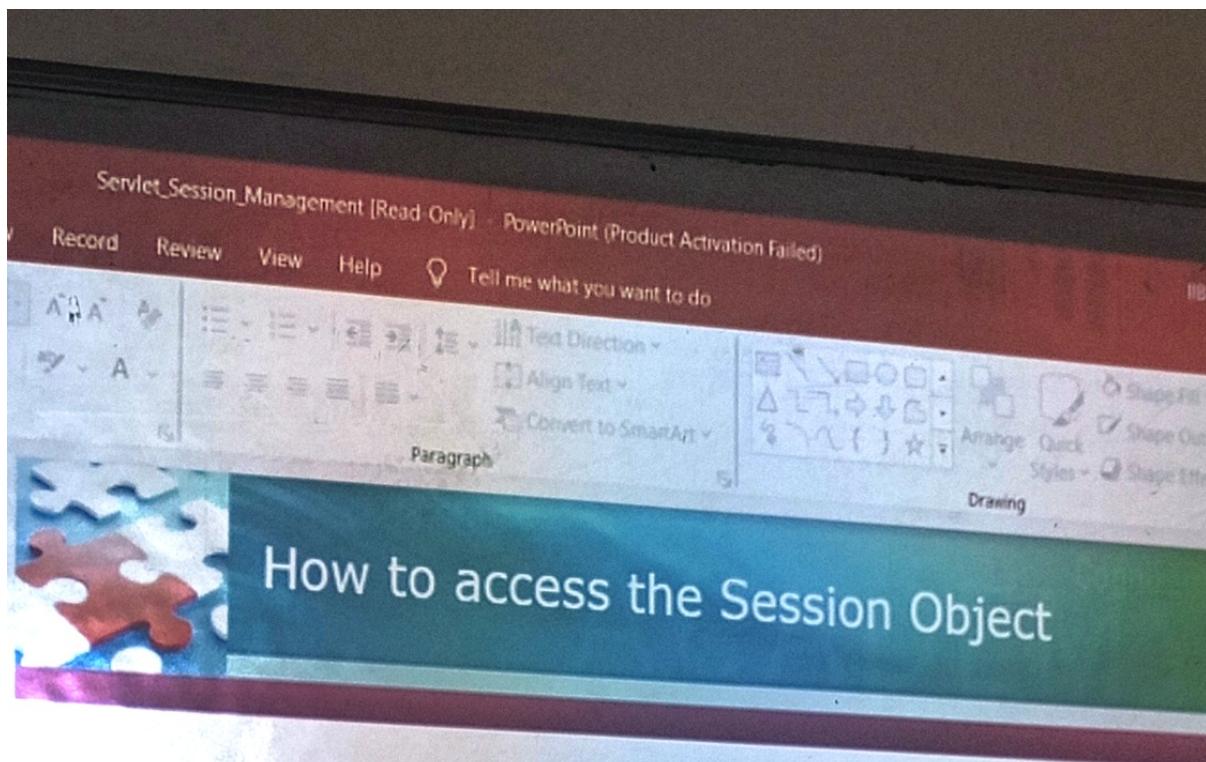
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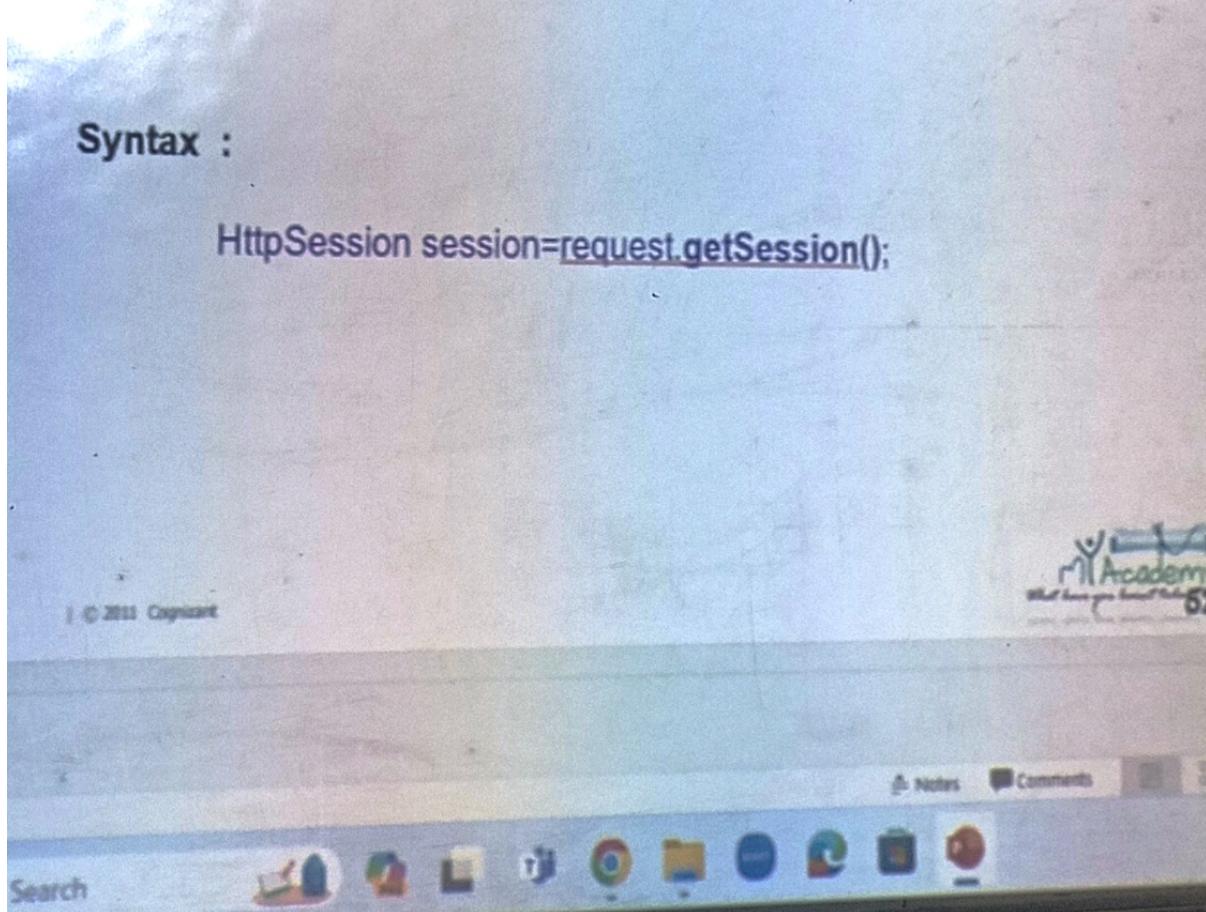
	Description
<code>void invalidate()</code>	Invalidates this session and removes any objects/values stored in it.
<code>void removeAttribute(String attributeName)</code>	Removes the object/value bound with the specified attribute name from this session.
<code>void setAttribute(String attributeName, Object value)</code>	Sets an object/value to this session, using the attribute name specified.
<code>int getMaxInactiveInterval()</code>	Returns the maximum time in seconds for which the current session will be maintained inactive.
<code>void setMaxInactiveInterval(int interval)</code>	Specifies the time, in seconds, between client requests before the <u>servlet</u> container will invalidate this session.



The session object associated with a user session is read from the user HTTP request using the getSession() method of the *HttpServletRequest* interface.

Syntax :

```
HttpSession session=request.getSession();
```



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How to set values in HTTP Session

Values can be set to the session object using setAttribute() method of the HttpSession interface.

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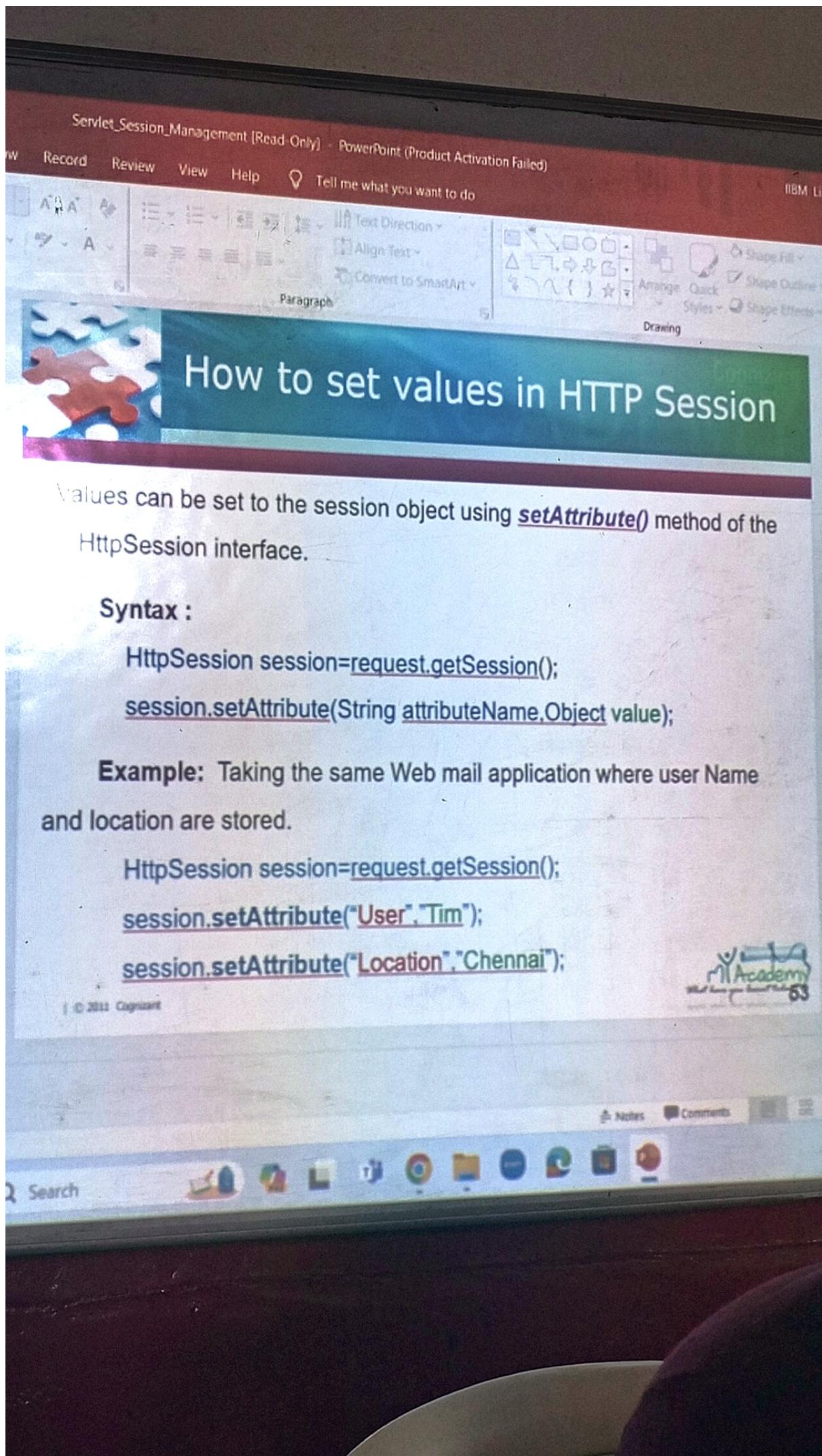
```
HttpSession session=request.getSession();
session.setAttribute(String attributeName, Object value);
```

Example: Taking the same Web mail application where user Name and location are stored.

```
HttpSession session=request.getSession();
session.setAttribute("User", "Tim");
session.setAttribute("Location", "Chennai");
```

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Removing Attributes from Session ?

Values can be set to the session object using removeAttribute() method of the HttpSession interface.

Syntax :

```
HttpSession session=request.getSession();
session.removeAttribute(String attributeName);
```

Example: Assume we need to remove the user Name attribute "Tim" from the session, the following API needs to be fired on the Tim's HTTP request object.

```
HttpSession session=request.getSession();
session.removeAttribute("user");
```

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How to invalidate a session ?

Session invalidating is the process of unbinding the session object from the user thereby removing all the previously stored data in the session and freeing the memory. To invalidate a session we call the `invalidate()` method.

When is this used?

This is typically used when user logs off from a web application to free up the memory utilized by the Session object.

Syntax :

```
HttpSession session=request.getSession();
session.invalidate();
```

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Lend a Hand: Develop a Login htm

Develop the Login HTML as mentioned below, It should have the following fields,

- User Name
- Password
- Location , submit action should be the LoginServlet.

```
<!DOCTYPE HTML PUBLIC "-//IIC//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN">
<html>
  <head>
    <title></title>
    <meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=UTF-8">
  </head>
  <body>
    <form action="LoginServlet" method="post">

      UserName : <input type="text" name="username"/>
      <br/>
      Password : <input type="text" name="pass"/>
      <br/>
      Location : <input type="text" name="location"/>
      <input type="submit" name="sub" value="Login">

    </form>
  </body>
</html>
```

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      Location : <input type="text" name="location"/>
      <input type="submit" name="sub" value="Login">

    </form>
  </body>
</html>
```

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```
+import java.io.IOException;
public class LoginServlet extends HttpServlet {
    @Override
    protected void doPost(HttpServletRequest request, HttpServletResponse response)
        throws ServletException, IOException {
        String username=request.getParameter("username");
        String password=request.getParameter("pass");
        String location=request.getParameter("location");
        if("jack".equals(username) && "rose".equalsIgnoreCase(password))
        {
            HttpSession session=request.getSession();
            session.setAttribute("user",username);
            session.setAttribute("location",location);
            response.sendRedirect("Inbox");
        }
    }
}
```

```
public class Inbox extends HttpServlet {  
  
    @Override  
    protected void doGet(HttpServletRequest request,  
                         HttpServletResponse response) throws ServletException, IOException {  
        String userName = null;  
        String location = null;  
        HttpSession session = request.getSession();  
        if (session.getAttribute("user") == null) {  
            response.sendRedirect("login.html");  
        } else {  
            userName = session.getAttribute("user").toString();  
            location = session.getAttribute("location").toString();  
        }  
        PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();  
        out.print("<html><head><title>Inbox</title></head><body>");  
        out.print("<h1 style='margin-left:40%;'>Inbox</h1>");  
        out.print("<h2>Welcome " + userName + "</h2>");  
        out.print("<h2>Location " + location + "</h2>");  
        out.print("<a href='SentItems'>Sent Items</a>");  
        out.print("<br/>");  
        out.print("<a href='LogOut'>Log Out</a>");  
        out.print("</body></html>");  
    }  
}
```

Reads the session attribute
not set (user not logged in)
redirects to login page

Reads the session attribute
name/Location
displaying the content

```
public class SentItems extends HttpServlet {
    private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;
    protected void doGet(HttpServletRequest request,
                         HttpServletResponse response) throws ServletException, IOException {
        String userName = null;
        String location = null;
        HttpSession session = request.getSession();
        if (session.getAttribute("user") == null) {
            response.sendRedirect("login.html");
        } else {
            userName = session.getAttribute("user").toString();
            location = session.getAttribute("location").toString();
        }
        PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
        out.print("<html><head><title>Sent Items</title></head><body>");
        out.print('<h1 style='margin-left:40px;'>Sent Items Page</h1>');
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        out.print("<a href='Inbox'>Inbox</a>");
        out.print("<br/>");
        out.print("<a href='LogOut'>Log Out</a>");
        out.print("</body></html>");
    }
}
```

Lend a Hand: Develop a Logout Servlet

```
public class LogOut extends HttpServlet {
    private static final long serialVersionUID = 1L;
    protected void doGet(HttpServletRequest request,
        HttpServletResponse response) throws ServletException, IOException {
        HttpSession session = request.getSession();
        session.invalidate();
        response.sendRedirect("login.html");
    }
}
```

Invalidate the session object. Invalidating the session removes the entire session object, hence the entire set of session attributes.

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```

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Java - Step 1 Create sample.jsp (Cont)

```
<%@ page language="java" contentType="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1"
    pageEncoding="ISO-8859-1"%>
<html>
<head>
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1">
</head>
<body>
<h1 style="margin-left: 25%;>Sample Page</h1>
<h2>
<% int count = 0;
    void incrementCount() {
        count++;
    }%>
<%
    int localVariable = 0;
    out.print("This page is viewed " + count + " times");
    incrementCount();
%>
<%= localVariable%>
<% localVariable++; %>
</body>
</html>
```

Declaration Tag for declaring the count variable and the method to increment the counter.

Also define a local variable to see the difference between variables declared within scriptlet tag and declaration tag.

Scriptlets Tag for incrementing the counter.

Prints the value using Expression tag

Increments the local variable

A man with glasses is pointing towards a presentation slide. The slide displays a JSP code snippet with annotations:

```
<%@ page contentType="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1" %>
<!DOCTYPE html PUBLIC "-//W3C//DTD HTML 4.01 Transitional//EN" "http://www.w3.org/TR/html4/loose.dtd">
<head>
<meta http-equiv="Content-Type" content="text/html; charset=ISO-8859-1">
</head>
<%!int count = 0;
void incrementCount() {
    count++;
}>
<body>
<h1 style="margin-left: 25%;>Sample Page</h1>
<h2>
<%
    int localVariable = 0;
    out.print("This page is viewed " + count + " times");
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%>
</h2>
The value of the local variable is
<%=localVariable%>
<%localVariable++; %>
</body>
</html>
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Annotations on the slide:

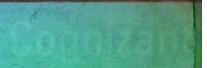
- A callout box points to the declaration tag: "Declaration Tag for declaring the count variable and the method to increment the counter."
- A callout box points to the local variable declaration: "Also define a local variable to see the difference between variables declared within scriptlet tag and déclaration tag."
- A callout box points to the output statement: "Prints the value of the local variable."
- A callout box points to the increment statement: "Increments the local variable."

Servlet Vs JSP

- In Servlets html is written inside java code using print statements. In jsp java code is embedded inside HTML
- JSP pages are converted to servlets by the web container so actually it can do the same thing as Java Servlets.
- JSP are easier for creating HTML content but servlets are easier for writing the java code.
- A combination of JSP and Servlet can be used to separate the presentation (HTML) and logic (java code) and taking the advantage of both.



Lend a Hand : Lets Start Development



Steps for Development

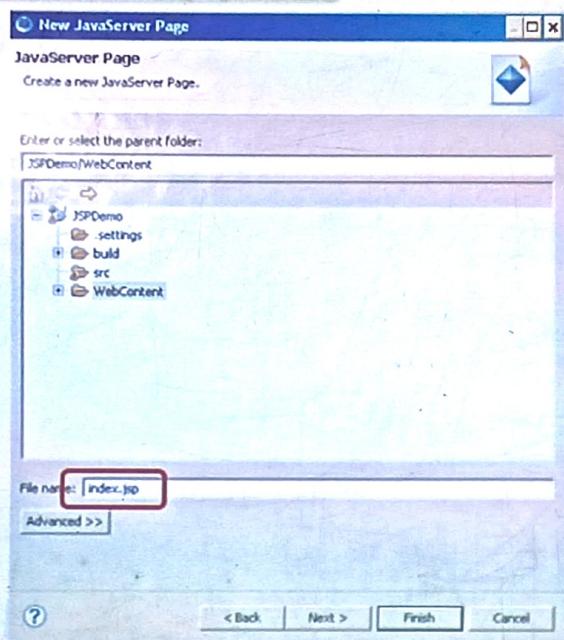
Step 1 : Open SDE and Create a dynamic Web project

Step 2 : Create index.jsp

Step 3 : Deploy the application

Lend a Hand : Step 2 : Create index.jsp (Cont)

Enter the file name as *index.jsp*.



Enter finish and finish the process

What happened to the Index JSP?

The JSP which you had created would have been converted to a servlet file and compiled as class for servicing users request.

You can find this file in the web server folder where the applications is deployed. The web server creates a temporary folder for extracting these files.

NOTE: The folder path varies between web servers.

Lets see how our generated java file of index.jsp looks like.



Lend a Hand- Step 1 Create sample.jsp (Cont)

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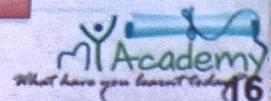
Lend a Hand- Step 1 Create sample.jsp (Cont)

```
// scriptlets
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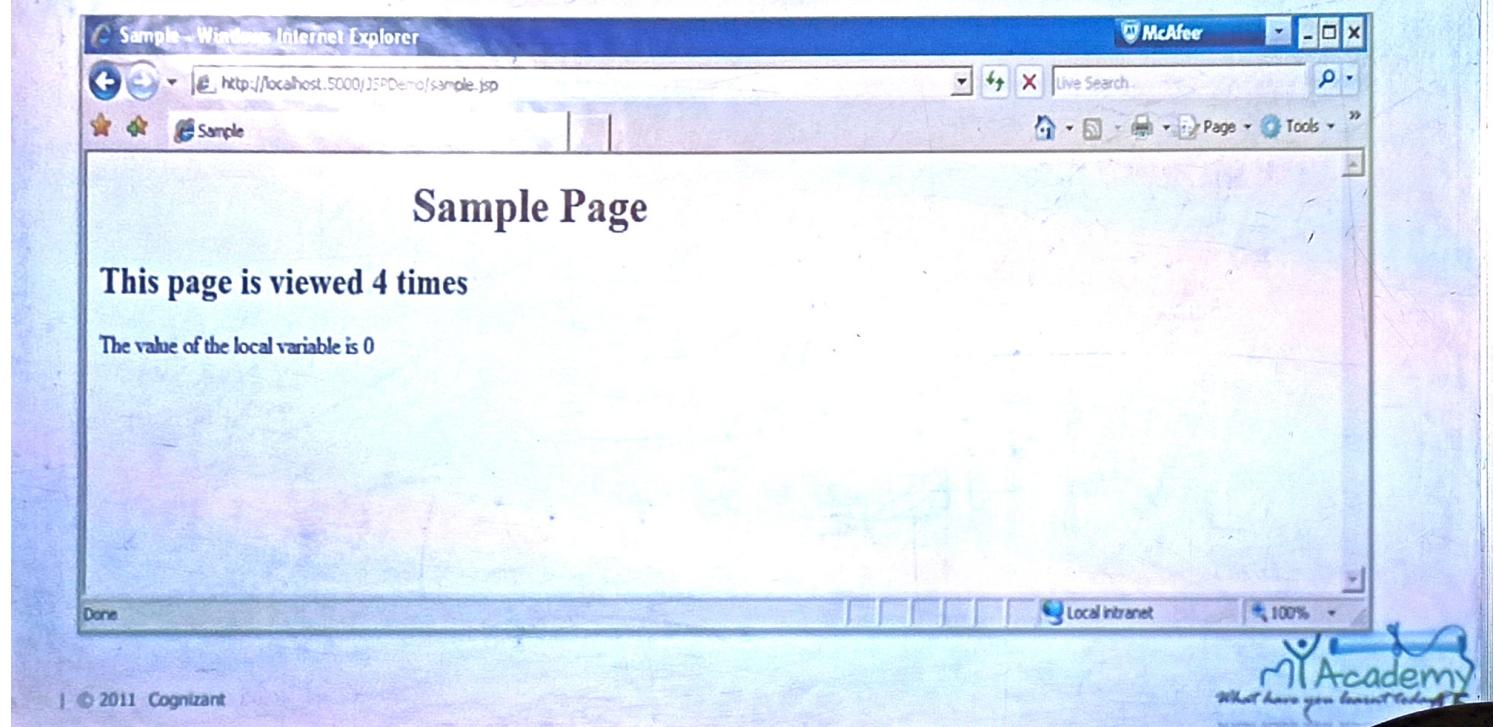
Scriptlets Tag for incrementing the counter.



Lend a Hand- Step 1 Create sample.jsp

// sample

:// The page should be designed to produce the following output





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// scriptlets

This is a demo to familiarize the scripting elements that are used in JSP.

We will create a JSP page called **sample.jsp**.

The page should calculate the number of users visiting the page and should print the value in the screen.

JSP page should use the following Scriptlets elements to

- **Declaration tags** – for declaring methods and counter variable.
- **Scriptlet tag** – Logic for incrementing counters.
- **Expression Tags** – For printing the counter values.

Comments

// scriptlets
There are two type of comments supported by JSP

1. HTML comment

```
<!-- This is a comment --!>
```

2. JSP Comment

```
<%-- This is a comment --%>
```

- HTML comments are passed during the translation phase and hence **can be viewed** in the page source in the browser.
- JSP comments are converted to normal java comments during the translation process and **will not appear** in the output page source.