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# AUTHENTICATION AND AUTHORIZATION

During this lab work we are required to add authentication and authorization.

**Authentication** is the process of signing in and obtaining certain roles (Verifying who the user is).

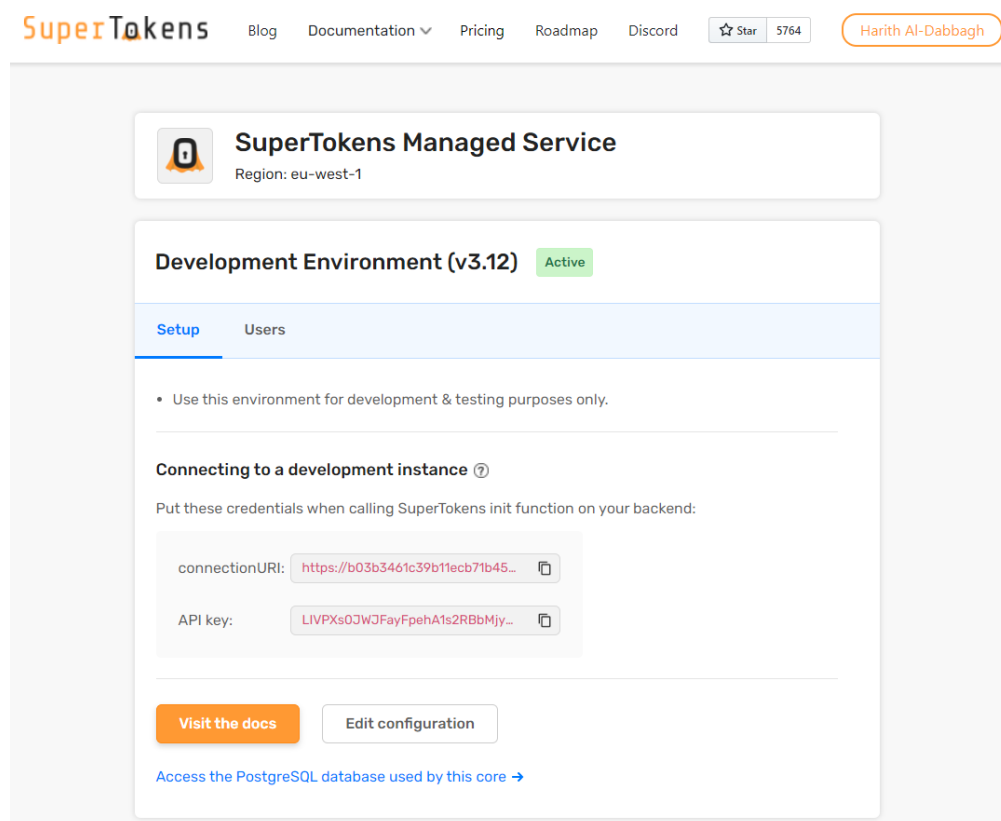
**Authorization** is the process of verifying what specific resources that user has access to.

In the context of the lab work we are required to secure the endpoints of our application, letting only authorized users access certain endpoints.

To do that I'm going to use super tokens, and the following is a step-by-step explanation of how I implemented it.

## Registering on supertokens.com

The process is very simple and requires no explanation. In the end of it we will receive two important values, the connectionURI and the API Key:



We'll add these to our environment variables for security.

The ones for the production environment we can just go ahead and add them to heroku environment variables.

## The NestJS Backend

Before implementing the backend, in our HTML we're going to add the frontend integration of super tokens. I've added this to the common partial which is included in every page:

```
<script src="https://cdn.jsdelivr.net/gh/supertokens/supertokens-website/bundle/bundle.js"></script>
<script>
  supertokens.init({
    apiDomain: "http://localhost:3001",
    apiBasePath: "/auth"
  });
</script>
```

To integrate SuperTokens into a NestJS backend we will add a few things:

- A module to house all authorization related code
- A service to initialize the SDK
- A middleware to add the authorization endpoints
- A global error handler to pass SuperTokens related errors to the SDK
- A guard to protect the API endpoints
- A parameter decorator to access the session in the code

Next we install SuperTokens using the command:

```
npm i -s supertokens-node
```

Up next is the creation of a module for authentication and authorization, we're just going to call it auth:

```
nest g module auth
```

Next we add a configuration interface in the auth folder that was created for the module, the contents of which:

```
config.interface.ts X
src > auth > config.interface.ts > ...
1  import { AppInfo } from "supertokens-node/lib/build/types";
2
3  export const ConfigInjectionToken = "ConfigInjectionToken";
4
5  export type AuthModuleConfig = {
6    appInfo: AppInfo;
7    connectionURI: string;
8    apiKey?: string;
9  }
10
```

Next up we finish the implementation of the auth module, which will look something like this:

```
auth.module.ts M x
src > auth > auth.module.ts > ...
1  import {
2    MiddlewareConsumer,
3    Module,
4    NestModule,
5    DynamicModule,
6  } from '@nestjs/common';
7
8  import { AuthMiddleware } from './auth.middleware';
9  import { ConfigInjectionToken, AuthModuleConfig } from './config.interface';
10 import { SupertokensService } from './supertokens/supertokens.service';
11
12 @Module({
13   providers: [SupertokensService],
14   exports: [],
15   controllers: [],
16 })
17 export class AuthModule implements NestModule {
18   configure(consumer: MiddlewareConsumer) {
19     consumer.apply(AuthMiddleware).forRoutes('*');
20   }
21
22   static forRoot({
23     connectionURI,
24     apiKey,
25     appInfo,
26   }: AuthModuleConfig): DynamicModule {
27     return {
28       providers: [
29         {
30           useValue: {
31             appInfo,
32             connectionURI,
33             apiKey,
34           },
35           provide: ConfigInjectionToken,
36         },
37       ],
38       exports: [],
39       imports: [],
40       module: AuthModule,
41     };
42   }
43 }
```

Next we will update the app module to use the newly created dynamic module by importing the result of `forRoot` instead of the class itself:

```
app.module.ts x
src > app.module.ts > ...
1  import { Module } from '@nestjs/common';
2  import { AppController } from './app.controller';
3  import { AppService } from './app.service';
4  import { ConfigModule } from '@nestjs/config';
5  import { UserModule } from './user/user.module';
6  import { ArticleModule } from './article/article.module';
7  import { AuthModule } from './auth/auth.module';
8
9  @Module({
10   imports: [ConfigModule.forRoot(), UserModule, ArticleModule, AuthModule.forRoot({
11     // These are the connection details of the app you created on supertokens.com
12     connectionURI: process.env.ConnectionURI,
13     apiKey: process.env.APIKey,
14     appInfo: {
15       // Learn more about this on https://supertokens.com/docs/thirdpartyemailpassword/appinfo
16       appName: "web-6th-sem",
17       apiDomain: "http://localhost:3001",
18       websiteDomain: "http://localhost:3000",
19       apiBasePath: "/auth",
20       websiteBasePath: "/auth"
21     },
22   }]),
23   controllers: [AppController],
24   providers: [AppService],
25 })
26 export class AppModule {}
```

Let's now create the service using the command:

```
nest g service supertokens auth
```

This will create a service separated in it's own folder inside the auth folder:

```
supertokens.service.ts M X
src > auth > supertokens > supertokens.service.ts > SupertokensService > constructor > recipeList > providers
1 import { Inject, Injectable } from '@nestjs/common';
2 import supertokens from "supertokens-node";
3 import Session from 'supertokens-node/recipe/session';
4 import ThirdPartyEmailPassword from 'supertokens-node/recipe/thirdpartyemailpassword';
5
6 import { ConfigInjectionToken, AuthModuleConfig } from "../config.interface";
7
8 @Injectable()
9 export class SupertokensService {
10   constructor(@Inject(ConfigInjectionToken) private config: AuthModuleConfig) {
11     supertokens.init({
12       appInfo: config.appInfo,
13       supertokens: {
14         connectionURI: process.env.ConnectionURI,
15         apiKey: process.env.APIKey,
16       },
17       recipeList: [
18         ThirdPartyEmailPassword.init({
19           providers: [
20             // We have provided you with development keys which you can use
21             // IMPORTANT: Please replace them with your own OAuth keys for
22             ThirdPartyEmailPassword.Google({
23               clientId: "1060725074195-kmeum4crr01uirfl2op9kd5acmi9jutr.a",
24               clientSecret: "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"
25             }),
26             ThirdPartyEmailPassword.Github({
27               clientId: "467101b197249757c71f",
28               clientSecret: "e97051221f4b6426e8fe8d51486396703012f5bd"
29             }),
30             ThirdPartyEmailPassword.Apple({
31               clientId: "4398792-io.supertokens.example.service",
32               clientSecret: {
33                 keyId: "7M48Y4RYDL",
34                 privateKey:
35                   "-----BEGIN PRIVATE KEY-----\nMIGTAgEAMBGBByqGSM4AgE",
36                 teamId: "YWQCXGJRJL",
37               },
38             ),
39             // ThirdPartyEmailPassword.Facebook({
40             //   clientSecret: "FACEBOOK_CLIENT_SECRET",
41             //   clientId: "FACEBOOK_CLIENT_ID"
42             // })
43           ],
44         }),
45         Session.init(),
46       ],
47     });
48   }
49 }
```

Now we need to create a middleware in order to expose the SuperTokens API. We'll start by the command:

```
nest g middleware auth auth
```

```
auth.middleware.ts X
src > auth > auth.middleware.ts > ...
1  import { Injectable, NestMiddleware } from "@nestjs/common";
2  import { middleware } from 'supertokens-node/framework/express';
3
4  @Injectable()
5  export class AuthMiddleware implements NestMiddleware {
6      supertokensMiddleware: any;
7
8      constructor() {
9          this.supertokensMiddleware = middleware();
10     }
11
12     use(req: Request, res: any, next: () => void) {
13         return this.supertokensMiddleware(req, res, next);
14     }
15 }
16
```

Next up is updating the CORS policy settings. In the main.ts file we need to add the following:

```
app.enableCors({
  origin: ['http://localhost:3000', 'http://localhost:3001'],
  allowedHeaders: ['content-type', ...supertokens.getAllCORSHeaders()],
  credentials: true,
});
```



For convenience we're going to also add an exception filter, using the command:

```
nest g filter auth auth
```

```
auth.filter.ts X
src > auth > auth.filter.ts > ...
1  import { ExceptionFilter, Catch, ArgumentsHost } from '@nestjs/common';
2  import { Request, Response, NextFunction, ErrorRequestHandler } from 'express';
3
4  import { errorHandler } from 'supertokens-node/framework/express';
5  import { Error as STError } from 'supertokens-node';
6
7  @Catch(STError)
8  export class SupertokensExceptionFilter implements ExceptionFilter {
9    handler: ErrorRequestHandler;
10
11    constructor() {
12      this.handler = errorHandler();
13    }
14
15    catch(exception: Error, host: ArgumentsHost) {
16      const ctx = host.switchToHttp();
17
18      const resp = ctx.getResponse<Response>();
19      if (resp.headersSent) {
20        return;
21      }
22
23      this.handler(
24        exception,
25        ctx.getRequest<Request>(),
26        resp,
27        ctx.getNext<NextFunction>(),
28      );
29    }
30  }
```

We also need to register the filter by adding a line to main.ts after the CORS policy settings:

```
app.enableCors({
  origin: ['http://localhost:3000', 'http://localhost:3001'],
  allowedHeaders: ['content-type', ...supertokens.getAllCORSHeaders()],
  credentials: true,
});
app.useGlobalFilters(new SupertokensExceptionFilter());
```

Next up we create a verification guard, which will protect our end points, we use the command:

```
nest g guard auth auth
```

```
auth.guard.ts X
src > auth > auth.guard.ts > ...
 1  import { CanActivate, ExecutionContext, Injectable } from '@nestjs/common';
 2  import { Error as STError } from "supertokens-node";
 3
 4  import { verifySession } from 'supertokens-node/recipe/session/framework/express';
 5
 6  @Injectable()
 7  export class AuthGuard implements CanActivate {
 8    async canActivate(context: ExecutionContext): Promise<boolean> {
 9      const ctx = context.switchToHttp();
10
11      let err = undefined;
12      const resp = ctx.getResponse();
13      // You can create an optional version of this by passing {sessionRequired: false}
14      await verifySession()(
15        ctx.getRequest(),
16        resp,
17        (res) => {
18          err = res;
19        },
20      );
21
22      if (resp.headersSent) {
23        throw new STError({
24          message: "RESPONSE_SENT",
25          type: "RESPONSE_SENT",
26        });
27      }
28
29      if (err) {
30        throw err;
31      }
32
33      return true;
34    }
35  }
```

Now we create a session decorator to help us with the created guard to secure endpoints:

```
nest g decorator session auth
```

```
session.decorator.ts X
src > auth > session.decorator.ts > ...
1 import { createParamDecorator, ExecutionContext } from '@nestjs/common';
2
3 export const Session = createParamDecorator(
4   (data: unknown, ctx: ExecutionContext) => {
5     const request = ctx.switchToHttp().getRequest();
6     return request.session;
7   },
8 );
```

Now to secure an endpoint, it would look something like this:

```
@ApiOperation({
  summary: 'Get articles created by user using his ID',
})
@ApiResponse({
  status: 400,
  description: 'Invlaid ID format',
})
@UseGuards(AuthGuard)
@Get('/user/:id')
async getArticlesByUser(@Param('id') id: number, @Session() session: SessionContainer): Promise<Article[]> {
  const userId = session.getUserId();
  console.log(userId);
  return await this.articleService.getArticlesByUser(id);
}
```


## Logging in

To learn how to use the SuperTokens API we can read its spec from [here](#).

In our case we're using this recipe:

Session Recipe		^
POST	/{apiBasePath}/signout	✓ ↩
POST	/{apiBasePath}/session/refresh	✓ ↩
EmailPassword Recipe		^
POST	/{apiBasePath}/signin	✓ ↩
POST	/{apiBasePath}/signup	✓ ↩
GET	/{apiBasePath}/signup/email/exists	✓ ↩
POST	/{apiBasePath}/user/password/reset/token	✓ ↩
POST	/{apiBasePath}/user/password/reset	✓ ↩

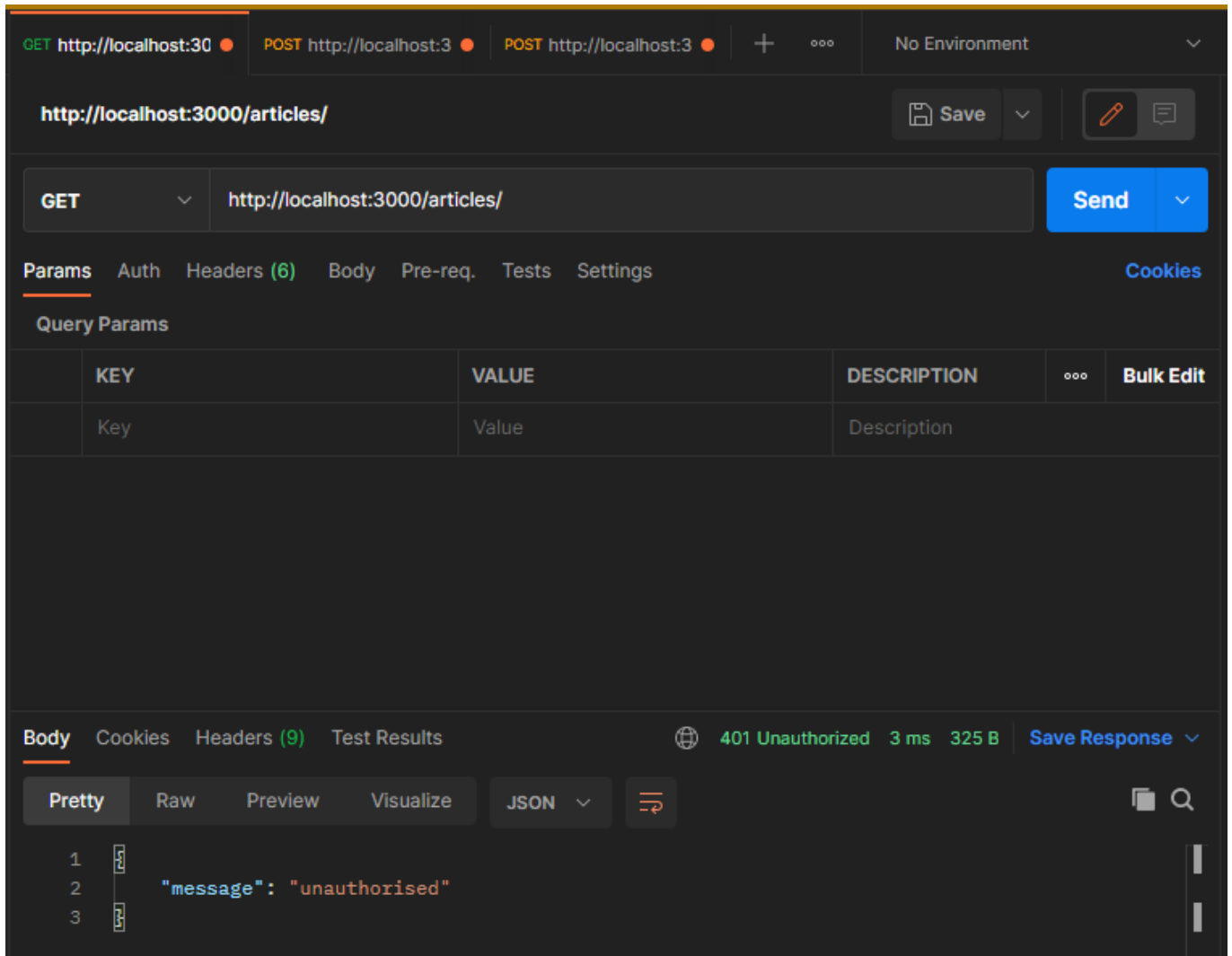
When adding the auth guard we can check swagger and it'll show a lock sign next to the endpoint:

GET	/users	Get All Users	✓
GET	/users/{id}	Get user by ID	✓
POST	/users/create	Create user	✓
POST	/users/{id}/update	Update user by ID	✓
DELETE	/users/{id}/delete	Delete user by ID	✓
GET	/articles	Get All Articles	✓ 
GET	/articles/{id}	Get article by ID	✓
GET	/articles/user/{id}	Get articles created by user using his ID	✓
POST	/articles/create	Create article	✓
POST	/articles/{id}/update	Update article by ID	✓

## Testing the API

For testing I'm going to use postman, then we'll modify the frontend to use the new functionality.

To get a list of all the articles with postman we can send a get request like the following:



We get a “unauthorised” 401 reply from the API because that endpoint is now protected.

Now let's try logging in:

The image shows the Postman interface for a REST client. At the top, there are tabs for different requests: GET http://localhost:30, POST http://localhost:3, and POST http://localhost:3. The selected request is a POST to http://localhost:3000/auth/signin. The request body is a JSON object with the following structure:

```
1 {
2   "formFields": [
3     {
4       "id": "email",
5       "value": "messi4ever500@gmail.com"
6     },
7     {
8       "id": "password",
9       "value": "testPass123"
10    }
11  ]
12 }
```

The response is a JSON object with the following structure:

```
1 {
2   "status": "OK",
3   "user": {
4     "email": "messi4ever500@gmail.com",
5     "id": "84bb5846-c973-4141-a079-c8bf1d06207e",
6     "timeJoined": 1650792737892
7   }
8 }
```

The response status is 200 OK, with a response time of 745 ms and a size of 2.14 KB. The response is saved in the Cookies section.

Login is successful and token cookie is stored in postman.

Let's try accessing the articles endpoint again:

The screenshot shows a REST client interface with a dark theme. At the top, there's a header bar with a list of requests: GET http://localhost:30, POST http://localhost:3, and POST http://localhost:3. Below this, the URL bar shows `http://localhost:3000/articles/` with a 'Save' button and a dropdown menu. The method dropdown is set to 'GET'. A 'Send' button is on the right. Below the URL bar, there are tabs for 'Params', 'Auth', 'Headers (7)', 'Body', 'Pre-req.', 'Tests', and 'Settings'. The 'Params' tab is active, showing 'Query Params' with a table with columns 'KEY', 'VALUE', 'DESCRIPTION', and 'Bulk Edit'. The table has one row with 'Key' and 'Value'. Below the table, there's a large empty space. At the bottom, there's a 'Body' tab with sub-tabs 'Cookies (2)', 'Headers (9)', and 'Test Results'. The 'Body' tab is active, showing a status bar with a globe icon, '200 OK', '658 ms', '1.09 KB', and a 'Save Response' button. Below the status bar, there are tabs for 'Pretty', 'Raw', 'Preview', and 'Visualize'. The 'Pretty' tab is active, showing a JSON response in a code editor. The JSON is formatted with line numbers 1 through 11. The response is an array containing two objects. The first object has 'id': 1, 'title': 'Article 1', 'content': 'Content 1', 'published': false, and 'authorId': 1. The second object has 'id': 2 and 'title': 'Article 2'.

```
1 [
2   {
3     "id": 1,
4     "title": "Article 1",
5     "content": "Content 1",
6     "published": false,
7     "authorId": 1
8   },
9   {
10    "id": 2,
11    "title": "Article 2",
```

We get a reply with the list of articles!

## Modifying the frontend

Now that our API is working correctly as required we can go ahead and implement the frontend part related to this:



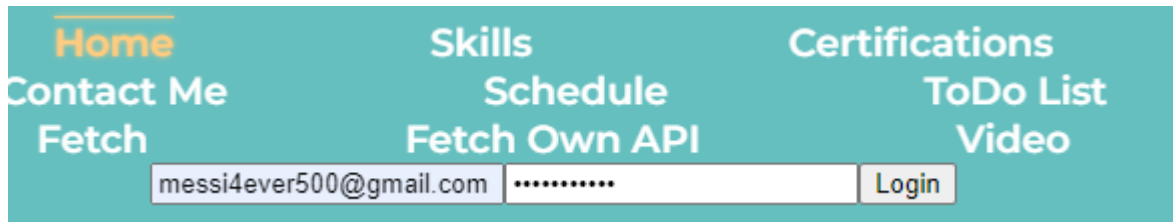


I've created a `auth.js` file and included it in the common partial of the web pages, it has 2 methods, `login` and `logout`:

```
auth.js M X
public > scripts > auth.js > ...
1 function login() {
2   console.log('logging in');
3
4   const email = document.getElementById('email').value;
5   const pass = document.getElementById('pass').value;
6   console.log(email, pass);
7
8   fetch('http://localhost:3000/auth/signin', {
9     method: 'POST',
10    headers: {
11      Accept: 'application/json, text/plain, */*',
12      'Content-Type': 'application/json',
13    },
14    body: JSON.stringify({
15      formFields: [
16        {
17          id: 'email',
18          value: email,
19        },
20        { id: 'password', value: pass },
21      ],
22    }),
23  })
24    .then((response) => console.log(response))
25    .catch((err) => console.log(err));
26 }
27
28 function logout() {
29   console.log('logging out');
30
31   fetch('http://localhost:3000/auth/signout', {
32     method: 'POST',
33     headers: {
34       Accept: 'application/json, text/plain, */*',
35       'Content-Type': 'application/json',
36     },
37   })
38     .then((response) => console.log(response))
39     .catch((err) => console.log(err));
40 }
41
```

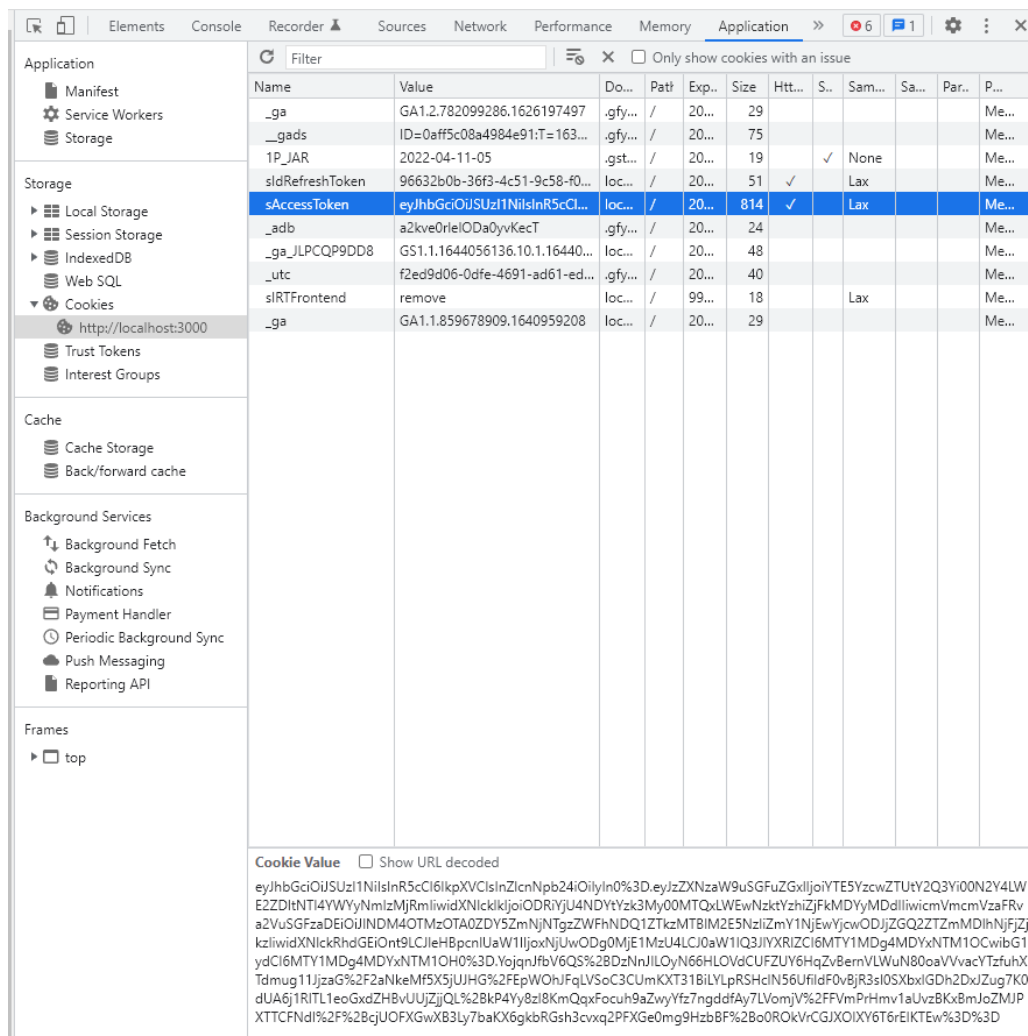
I've also modified the HTML form created in the past labs to be able to use it for that matter.

To login simply fill the email and password and hit the login button:



A screenshot of a login form on a teal background. The form has three columns of links: 'Home', 'Contact Me', 'Fetch' on the left; 'Skills', 'Schedule', 'Fetch Own API' in the center; and 'Certifications', 'ToDo List', 'Video' on the right. Below the links is a login section with an email input field containing 'messi4ever500@gmail.com', a password input field with dots, and a 'Login' button.

Now we're logged in and an access cookie is stored in the browser:



A screenshot of the Chrome DevTools Application tab showing the Cookies section. The table lists cookies for the domain http://localhost:3000. The 'sAccessToken' cookie is highlighted in blue.

Name	Value	Do...	Pat...	Exp...	Size	htt...	S...	Sam...	Sa...	Par...	P...
._ga	GA1.2.782099286.1626197497	.gfy...	/	20...	29						Me...
._gads	ID=0aff5c08a4984e91:T=163...	.gfy...	/	20...	75						Me...
1P_JAR	2022-04-11-05	.gst...	/	20...	19		✓	None			Me...
sldRefreshToken	96632b0b-36f3-4c51-9c58-f0...	loc...	/	20...	51	✓		Lax			Me...
sAccessToken	eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI...	loc...	/	20...	814	✓		Lax			Me...
._adb	a2kve0rieIODa0yvKecT	.gfy...	/	20...	24						Me...
._ga_JLPCQP9DD8	GS1.1.1644056136.10.1.16440...	loc...	/	20...	48						Me...
._utc	f2ed9d06-0dfe-4691-ad61-ed...	.gfy...	/	20...	40						Me...
sIRTFrontend	remove	loc...	/	99...	18			Lax			Me...
._ga	GA1.1.859678909.1640959208	loc...	/	20...	29						Me...

**Cookie Value** ☐ Show URL decoded

eyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiIsInR5cCI6IkpXVCIsInZlcnNpb24iOiIyIn0%3DeyJzZXNzaW9uSGFuZGxlIjoiYTE5YzZwZTUyY2Q3Yi00N2Y4LW

Further it's possible to do this for all the required endpoints and completely secure the application.