

How do you set a cookie in Django using the HttpResponse object?

In Django, you can set cookies using the `set_cookie()` method on an `HttpResponse` object.

Example of Setting a Cookie:

```
1 from django.http import HttpResponse
2
3 def set_cookie(request):
4     response = HttpResponse("Cookie has been set")
5     response.set_cookie(
6         'username',
7         'sushant',
8         max_age=3600, # Cookie expires in 1 hour
9         httponly=True, # Prevents JavaScript access
10        secure=True, # Sends cookie over HTTPS only
11        samesite='Strict' # CSRF protection for cross-site requests
12    )
13    return response
14
```

Example of Reading a Cookie:

```
1 def get_cookie(request):
2     username = request.COOKIES.get('username', 'Guest')
3     return HttpResponse(f"Hello, {username}")
4
```

What are Django sessions, and how do they work?

Django Sessions store user-specific data on the server-side and use a session ID stored in the browser's cookies to track the session.

How Django Sessions Work:

1. **Session Creation:** When a user accesses the website, Django assigns them a session ID.
2. **Session Storage:** Data is stored on the server (in the database, cache, or file system).
3. **Cookie with Session ID:** The user's browser stores only the session ID.
4. **Session Retrieval:** On each request, Django uses the session ID to retrieve user data from the server.

Example of Setting and Getting a Session:

```
1  # Set session
2  def set_session(request):
3      request.session['username'] = 'sushant'
4      request.session['email'] = 'sushant@example.com'
5      return HttpResponse("Session has been set")
6
7  # Get session
8  def get_session(request):
9      username = request.session.get('username', 'Guest')
10     email = request.session.get('email', 'Not provided')
11     return HttpResponse(f"Hello {username}, your email is {email}")
12
13 # Delete session
14 def delete_session(request):
15     request.session.flush() # Clears all session data
16     return HttpResponse("Session has been deleted")
17
```

What is the difference between authentication and authorization in Django?

FEATURE	AUTHENTICATION	AUTHORIZATION
DEFINITION	Verifies who the user is (identity).	Determines what a user can do (permissions).
PURPOSE	Confirms user identity via login credentials.	Grants or denies access to resources.
IMPLEMENTATION	Handled by Django's built-in <code>authenticate()</code> and <code>login()</code> methods.	Managed through permissions, groups, and <code>is_staff</code> or <code>is_superuser</code> flags.
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DJANGO MODULES	<code>django.contrib.auth</code> for login/logout.	<code>django.contrib.auth</code> with groups, permissions, and decorators (<code>@permission_required</code> , <code>@login_required</code>).

Example of Authentication (Login/Logout):



```
1 from django.contrib.auth import authenticate, login, logout
2 from django.http import HttpResponseRedirect
3
4 def user_login(request):
5     user = authenticate(request, username='sushant', password='password123')
6     if user is not None:
7         login(request, user)
8         return HttpResponseRedirect("Logged in successfully")
9     else:
10        return HttpResponseRedirect("Invalid credentials")
11
12 def user_logout(request):
13     logout(request)
14     return HttpResponseRedirect("Logged out successfully")
15
```