

## 1. What is CSRF Protection in Django, and how does it work?

**CSRF (Cross-Site Request Forgery)** is an attack where someone tricks a logged-in user into submitting a request (like form submission) to a website **without their knowledge**.

### Simple Example:

Imagine you're logged into your bank, and someone sends you a fake link. If you click it, it could try to transfer money **without your permission**.

### ✅ Django's CSRF Protection:

Django protects you using a **CSRF token**.

- When you submit a form, Django includes a **hidden token** (a special key).
- This token is checked on the server when the form is submitted.
- If the token is **missing or wrong**, Django **blocks the request**.

### How to use it in templates:

```
<form method="post">

{% csrf_token %}

<!-- your form fields -->

</form>
```

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## 2. What are Django Cookies, and how do they differ from Sessions?

### ♦ Cookies:

- Small pieces of data stored in the **user's browser**.
- Django can set cookies using the response.
- Example: storing theme color, language preference, etc.

```
response.set_cookie('user_name', 'Alice')
```

### ♦ Sessions:

- Stores data **on the server**.
- A unique **session ID** is stored in the browser (as a cookie).
- Django uses this ID to find the data on the server.

```
request.session['user_id'] = 101
```

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**vs Cookie vs Session (Simple Table):**

Feature	Cookie	Session
Storage	In user's browser	On Django server
Size	Limited (few KB)	Can store more data
Security	Less secure	More secure
Use Case	Small, non-sensitive data	User login info, cart, etc.