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Cookies Part 1

Cookies are files with small pieces of information that identify your computer as you are connected to a web server. When visiting a site, a web browser stores information into the user’s device in a specific file. Cookies provide information about the user to the website such as user interaction and authentication. There are different ways cookies can be used to record information such as user sessions, personalization, and tracking. User sessions help associate activity with specific users that match relevant content to them. Personalization can be used to store and display data based on the user’s preferences. Tracking cookies are used to record websites that users visit, and the data can be used for analytics or tailor content for users.

In favor:

* Cookies can be personalized and adjusted to my preference
* Cookies can remember data from my initial input

Against:

* Third-party cookies can track my information and I have no control over what information is sent
* My browsing activity can be recorded that can link information back to me

The use of cookies being ethical can depend on the user. Although I am against my activity being recorded, cookies are beneficial by tailoring information and content that is personalized for me.

*What Are Cookies? | Cookies Definition | Cloudflare*. https://www.cloudflare.com/learning/privacy/what-are-cookies/.