

A4 – HTTP SESSION TRACKING

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HTML Code:

```
<html>
  <head>
    <title>HTTP Session</title>
    <style>
      body {background-color: powderblue;}
      h1 {text-align: center; color: rebeccapurple;}
      label {margin-right: auto; font-size: 25px; color: blue;}
      input {margin-right: auto; font-size: 25px; color: red;}
    </style>
  </head>

  <body>
    <h1>HTTP Session Tracking</h1>
    <div align="center">
      <form action="ServletOne">
        <label for="userName">User Name</label>
        <input type="text" name="userName"><br><br>
        <input type="submit" value="Let's Go!"/>
      </form>
    </div>
  </body>
</html>
```

Java Code:

```
import javax.servlet.http.*;
import javax.servlet.*;
import javax.servlet.ServletException;
import java.io.*;

/*
HTTP Session creates a unique session ID for each different user
(browser)
*/

public class ServletOne extends HttpServlet {
    int hits; //variable for tracking user hits

    public void doGet(HttpServletRequest request,
        HttpServletResponse response){
        try{
            response.setContentType("text/html");
            PrintWriter out = response.getWriter();
            HttpSession session = request.getSession(true);
            //new session
            String u_name =
            request.getParameter("userName");
            session.setAttribute("uname", u_name);
            session.setMaxInactiveInterval(10);
            //setting timeout of 10 seconds
            if(session.getAttribute("hits") != null){
                //not a new session, already counting hits
                hits = (int) session.getAttribute("hits");
            }
            else{
                //new session, initiate hits to 0
                hits = 0;
            }

            hits++; //incrementing the number of hits
            session.setAttribute("hits", hits); //store the value in
            an attribute
        }
    }
}
```

```
        out.print("<h1>Welcome " + u_name +
            "!</h1><br>");
        out.println("<h2>Your Session ID: " + session.getId()
            + "</h2><br>"); //printing session ID
        out.println("<h2>Session Timeout: " +
            session.getMaxInactiveInterval() + "
            seconds</h2><br>");
        out.println("<h2>Your Hits: " + hits +
            "</h2><br>");
        out.close();
    }
    catch(Exception e){
        System.out.println(e);
    }
}
```

Web XML:

```
<web-app>
  <servlet>
    <servlet-name>ServletOne</servlet-name>
    <servlet-class>ServletOne</servlet-class>
  </servlet>
  <servlet-mapping>
    <servlet-name>ServletOne</servlet-name>
    <url-pattern>/ServletOne</url-pattern>
  </servlet-mapping>
</web-app>
```

Output:

HTTP Session Tracking

User Name

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Welcome Rick!

Your Session ID: DCD2E35DF927F96D9EEA059BB1AED357

Session Timeout: 10 seconds

Your Hits: 1

Welcome Astley!

Your Session ID: 34F057DD2FCEAE7B6351029699F6BBC5

Session Timeout: 10 seconds

Your Hits: 1

Welcome Rick!

Your Session ID: D93E86CE60B446CE3EAC3270B865D682

Session Timeout: 10 seconds

Your Hits: 8

Welcome Astley!

Your Session ID: F4FE6CE27BE4DE9288C913A954705DE2

Session Timeout: 10 seconds

Your Hits: 7

Welcome Rick!

Your Session ID: 81AAD6366B277CB111FC976F9607BFBF

Session Timeout: 10 seconds

Your Hits: 1

Welcome Astley!

Your Session ID: 81AA1E73A4C0DD6E25C6736DE9BE3CAB

Session Timeout: 10 seconds

Your Hits: 1

Inference:

Each browser(client) has its own unique HTTP SessionID which gets timed-out every 10 seconds following which a new session is instantiated with a different session ID. Each user has his/her own *hits* tracking variable unique to his/her session, which also gets purged after the session expires, and the tracker variable is re-initialized to 0 once again. Thus, multiple users are tracked by the servlet and each user's actions are independent of the other users.