

# WEBD 236

## Web Information Systems Programming

### Week 6

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# Agenda

- This week's expected outcomes
- This week's topics
- This week's homework
- Upcoming deadlines
- Questions and answers

# Week 6 Outcomes

- Employ algorithms to work with arrays and associative arrays.
- Use common array functions.
- Describe the security implications of session tracking.
- Employ sessions to maintain per-user data on the server.

# Arrays

- Create arrays with the `array()` function

```
$arr = array(2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19);
```

- Indices are in the range  $[0, n-1]$  for an array of length  $n$ .

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	3	5	7	11	13	17	19

- Use `[]` to access elements

```
$arr[3] = $arr[7] + 1;
```

# Arrays

- Use the function `count()` to determine how long an array is. Can then use a loop to process it.

```
$arr = array(2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19);  
$len = count($arr);  
for ($i = 0; $i < $len; ++$i) {  
    $arr[$i] += 1;  
}
```

# Arrays

- Assign a value “past” the end of the array to add on to the end.

```
$arr = array();  
$arr[0] = 2;  
$arr[1] = 3;  
$arr[2] = 5;
```

- Shortcut to do the same thing:

```
$arr = array();  
$arr[] = 2;  
$arr[] = 3;  
$arr[] = 5;
```

# Arrays

- Remove elements using unset()

```
$arr = array(2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19);  
unset($arr[3]);  
unset($arr[5]);
```

0	1	2	4	6	7
2	3	5	11	17	19

Notice that the valid array indices are no longer contiguous! This is a hint that all arrays are actually associative.

# Arrays

- Can also use a foreach loop to iterate:

```
function myArrayValues($arr) {  
    $result = array();  
    foreach ($arr as $element) {  
        $result[] = $element;  
    }  
    return $result;  
}  
$arr = array(2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19);  
unset($arr[3]);  
unset($arr[5]);  
$arr = myArrayValues($arr);
```

array\_values() is a library function that does this.

0	1	2	3	4	5
2	3	5	11	17	19





# Arrays

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    $result = array();  
    foreach ($arr as $element) {  
        $result[] = $element;  
    }  
    return $result;  
}  
$arr = array(2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19);  
unset($arr[3]);  
unset($arr[5]);  
$arr = myArrayValues($arr);
```

# Associative Arrays

- All PHP arrays are actually associative. Idea: use strings (as well as integers) as keys

```
$arr = array(4 => "four", "four" => 4, '5' => "five");  
print_r($arr);
```

```
Array (  
    [4] => four  
    [four] => 4  
    [5] => five  
)
```

Strings containing integers are just interpreted as integers.

# Associative Arrays

- Can then index by an arbitrary string.

```
$person = array();  
$person['lastName'] = 'Smith';  
$person['firstName'] = 'Roger';  
$person['dob'] = '12-Nov-1968';  
print("Hello ${person['firstName']} ${person['lastName']}.");
```

# Arrays of Arrays

- Commonly, arrays of associative arrays are representation of rows and columns in a DB.

```
$firstNames = array('James', 'John', 'Robert', 'Michael');
$lastNames = array('Smith', 'Johnson', 'Williams', 'Jones');
$people = array();
for ($i = 0; $i < 5; $i++) {
    $findex = mt_rand(0, count($firstNames) - 1);
    $lindex = mt_rand(0, count($lastNames) - 1);
    $person = array(
        'firstName' => $firstNames[$findex],
        'lastName' => $lastNames[$lindex]
    );
    $people[] = $person;
}
print_r($people);
```

# Arrays of Arrays

- Commonly, arrays of associative arrays are used as a representation of rows and columns in a table.

```
$firstNames = array('James', 'John', 'Robert', 'Michael', 'William');
$lastNames = array('Smith', 'Johnson', 'Williams', 'Johnson', 'Smith');
$people = array();
for ($i = 0; $i < 5; $i++) {
    $findex = mt_rand(0, count($firstNames) - 1);
    $lindex = mt_rand(0, count($lastNames) - 1);
    $person = array(
        'firstName' => $firstNames[$findex],
        'lastName' => $lastNames[$lindex]
    );
    $people[] = $person;
}
print_r($people);
```

```
Array
(
    [0] => Array
        (
            [firstName] => Michael
            [lastName] => Johnson
        )
    [1] => Array
        (
            [firstName] => James
            [lastName] => Johnson
        )
    [2] => Array
        (
            [firstName] => John
            [lastName] => Williams
        )
    ...
)
```

# Arrays of Arrays

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```
$firstName  
$lastName  
$people  
for ($i =  
    $find  
    $lind  
    $pers  
    'fir  
    'las  
);  
$peo  
}  
print_r($people);
```

0

firstName	Michael
lastName	Johnson

1

firstName	James
lastName	Johnson

2

firstName	John
lastName	Williams

=> Array

```
[firstName] => Michael  
[lastName] => Johnson
```

Michael" is stored at  
people[0]['firstName']

```
[firstName] => John  
[lastName] => Williams
```

# Arrays of Arrays

- Can then iterate over all those arrays.

```
foreach($people as $person) {  
    print("Hello ${person['firstName']} ${person['lastName']}");  
}
```

```
foreach($people as $person) {  
    foreach($person as $key => $value) {  
        print("$key: $value");  
    }  
}
```

# Common Array Functions

- Full list <http://php.net/manual/en/ref.array.php>

Function	Purpose
<code>range(\$lo, \$hi[, \$step])</code>	Returns an array with values between \$lo and \$hi, \$step apart.
<code>array_slice(\$arr, \$index[, \$len[, \$keys]])</code>	Returns a sub-array of \$arr starting at \$index containing \$len elements.
<code>array_splice(\$arr, \$index[, \$len[, \$new]])</code>	Replaces \$len elements with \$new in \$arr starting at \$index.
<code>in_array(\$val, \$arr)</code>	Returns true if \$val appears in \$arr
<code>array_search(\$val, \$arr)</code>	Returns the index of \$val in \$arr or false if it doesn't exist



# Common Array Functions

- Full list <http://php.net/manual/en/ref.array.php>

Function	Purpose
<code>sort(\$arr[, \$compare])</code>	Sorts an array in ascending order, reindexing. See also <code>rsort</code> , <code>asort</code> , etc.
<code>array_map(\$callback, \$arr)</code>	Applies the function <code>\$callback</code> to every element of <code>\$arr</code> , returning result array.
<code>array_shift(\$arr)</code>	Returns the first element, and shifts every element down one position. FIFO.
<code>array_pop(\$arr)</code>	Same as <code>array_shift</code> , but with the last element. LIFO.

# Sessions

- Problem: HTTP is stateless – each request/response cycle is completely independent.
  - How can your program “remember” things from one click to the next? Things like:
    - Who is logged in?
    - What page in a multi-page “wizard” are you on?
    - What page should you be redirected to after you log in?

# Sessions

- Solution: set a cookie
  - Cookies are set by the server, stored by the browser, and are transmitted with every request.

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-type: text/html
Set-Cookie: name=value
Set-Cookie: name2=value2; Expires=Wed, 09 Jun 2021 10:18:14 GMT
```

```
GET /spec.html HTTP/1.1
Host: www.example.org
Cookie: name=value; name2=value2
Accept: */*
```

# Sessions

- Problem: browser cookies can't be trusted

```
GET /spec.html HTTP/1.1  
Host: www.example.org  
Cookie: loggedin=true; rights=admin  
Accept: */*
```

Anybody can send a request with any cookie they wish. If we rely on cookies for sensitive data (especially guessable data), this is a severe security risk.

# Sessions

- Solution: use an opaque identifier (like a surrogate key) that references a file on the server.

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK  
Content-type: text/html  
Set-Cookie: PHPSESSID=jokilcf2qsckfuml9mg73jamv0
```

```
GET /spec.html HTTP/1.1  
Host: www.example.org  
Cookie: PHPSESSID=jokilcf2qsckfuml9mg73jamv0  
Accept: */*
```

# Sessions

- Solution: use an opaque identifier (like a surrogate key) to identify the user on the server.

This isn't guessable (is it?). But, we can use it to "look up" sensitive session data we've stored on the server.

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-type: text/html
Set-Cookie: PHPSESSID=jokilcf2qsckfuml9mg73jamv0
```

```
GET /spec.html HTTP/1.1
Host: www.example.org
Cookie: PHPSESSID=jokilcf2qsckfuml9mg73jamv0
Accept: */*
```

# Sessions

- Solution: use an opaque identifier (like a surrogate key) that references the server.

Problem: what if someone's session ID is hijacked? Is that even possible?

```
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Content-type: text/html
Set-Cookie: PHPSESSID=jokilcf2qsckfuml9m
```

```
GET /spec.html HTTP/1.1
Host: www.example.org
Cookie: PHPSESSID=jokilcf2qsckfuml9mg73jamv0
Accept: */*
```

# Sessions

- Problem: Open WiFi connections permit session hijacking
  - Even WEP isn't secure
  - What about other man-in-the-middle attacks?
  - Therefore, all sessions must be over an encrypted connection.
- Solution: force all connections to be HTTPS.
  - All data between browser and server is encrypted.



# Sessions

- Quick recap:
  - › Force HTTPS connections
  - › Set an unguessable cookie
  - › Use that cookie to reference a data structure on the server that holds per-user session data.

# Sessions

- Forcing HTTPS
  - Use .htaccess (like we did for URL rewriting)

```
Options +FollowSymLinks
IndexIgnore */*
# Turn on the RewriteEngine
RewriteEngine On
# Force HTTPS for security of cookies
RewriteCond %{HTTPS} !on
RewriteRule (.*) https://%{HTTP_HOST}%{REQUEST_URI} [L]
# Handle URL routing
RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-f
RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-d
RewriteRule . urlrouter.php
```

# Sessions

- Forcing HTTPS

- Use .htaccess (like we did)

```
Options +FollowSymLinks
IndexIgnore */*
# Turn on the RewriteEngine
RewriteEngine On
# Force HTTPS for security of cookies
RewriteCond %{HTTPS} !on
RewriteRule (.*) https://%{HTTP_HOST}%{REQUEST_URI} [L]
# Handle URL routing
RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-f
RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-d
RewriteRule . urlrouter.php
```

The [L] flag means that if this rule matches, stop processing other rules. “Last rule.”

# Sessions

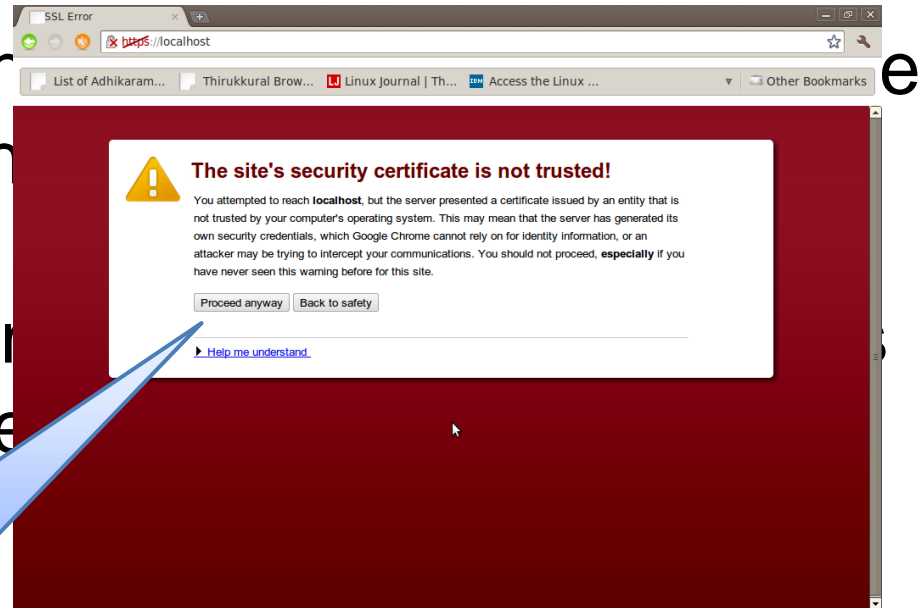
- Forcing HTTPS
  - › Real HTTPS connections require a certificate signed by a signing authority (Thawte, Verisign, etc.)
  - › XAMPP will still encrypt, but the certificate is self-signed, so the browser will complain.

# Sessions

- Forcing HTTPS

- Real HTTPS connections are signed by a signing authority (e.g., Verisign, etc.)
- XAMPP will still enable HTTPS on localhost, but the certificate is self-signed, so the browser will show a warning.

Don't panic. It's okay to proceed. We can trust our own localhost.



# Sessions

- Setting a cookie
  - Use the `setcookie()` function

```
setcookie($name, $value, $expire,  
$path, $domain, $secure, $httponly);
```

Can read about all of these parameters in the book. But this isn't the path we want to go down. PHP sessions handle setting the session cookie for us.

# Sessions

- Session parameters
  - › How long should the cookie live?
  - › What paths on the server should apply?
  - › What's the name of the domain to send to?
  - › Should it only be sent on encrypted connections?
  - › Should only HTTP read it (no JavaScript)?

```
session_set_cookie_params($seconds, $path, $domain,  
    $secure, $httponly);
```

# Sessions

- Starting a session

```
session_set_cookie_params(60*60*24*14, '/',  
    $_SERVER['SERVER_NAME'], true, false);  
session_start();
```

- Storing data in a session

```
$_SESSION['loggedin'] = true;  
$_SESSION['username'] = 'Fred';
```



# Sessions

- Reading data from a session

```
function safeParam($arr, $index, $default) {  
    if ($arr && isset($arr[$index])) {  
        return $arr[$index];  
    }  
    return $default;  
}  
  
$user = safeParam($_SESSION, 'username', false);  
if ($user) {  
    print("Hello $user!");  
}
```

# Sessions

- Removing data from a session

```
// remove a single variable  
unset($_SESSION['username']);  
  
// delete all variables  
$_SESSION = array();
```

- Ending a session

```
session_destroy();
```

# Sessions

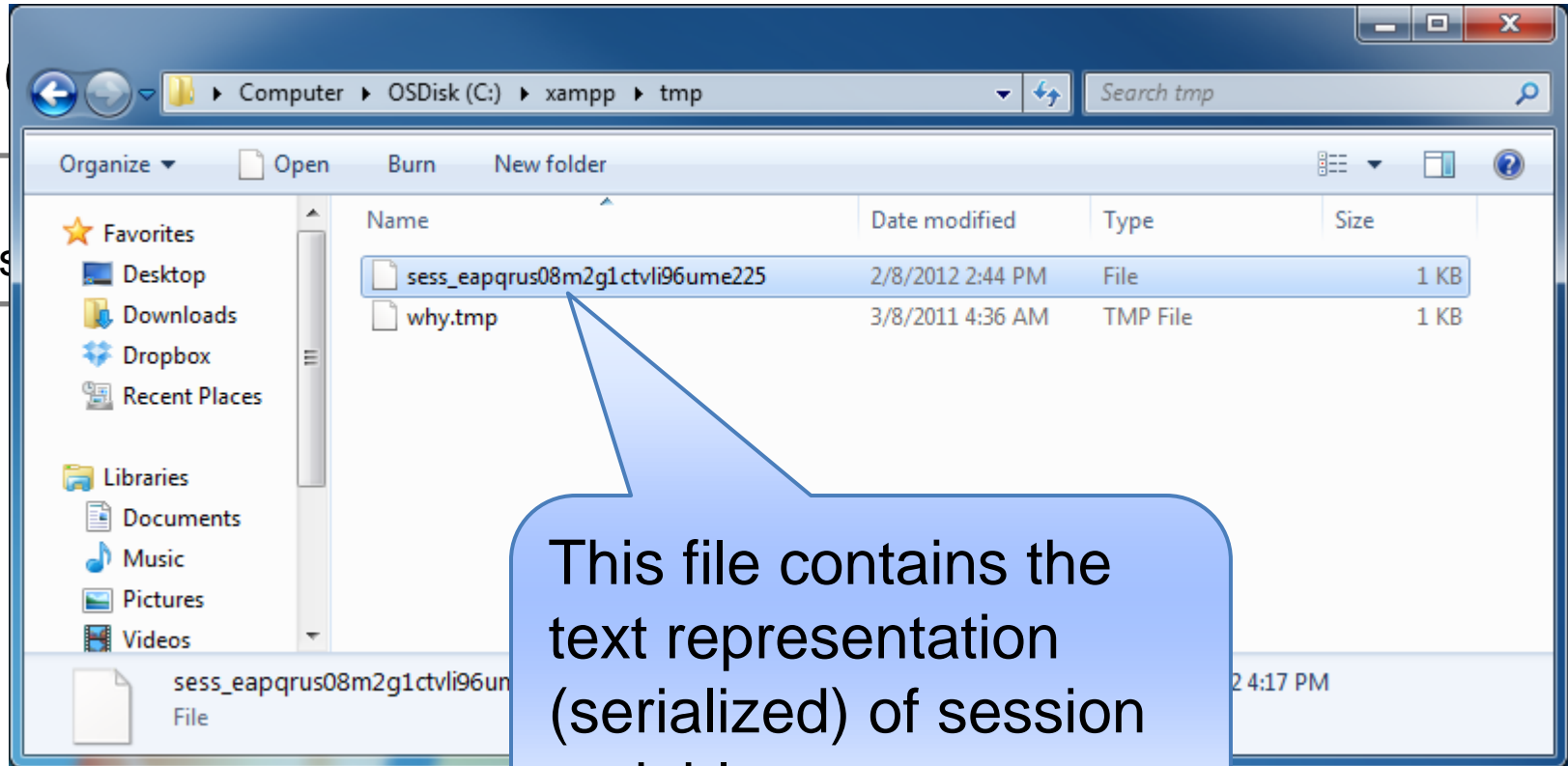
- Getting the current session ID

```
// can be used to see if a session is active  
$sessid = session_id();
```

- Where is session data kept?

- › In XAMPP it is C:\xampp\tmp.
- › On a production server, you schedule cleanups.
- › Also possible to store session data in the database and have a trigger clean it up.

# Sessions



# Sessions

- Full list of session-related functions:  
<http://php.net/manual/en/ref.session.php>

# Session Example

- In-depth example: adding login/logout and minimal authentication requirements to our ToDo List application
  - › Specifications:
    - › Non-logged in users can only see landing page
    - › Logged in users can add, edit, delete ToDos
    - › Don't permit URL fishing
    - › Provide login/logout capabilities

# Session Example

## To Do List

[Log in](#)

### Current To Do:

1. Teach class on Wednesday, 7:30 PM EST.

### Past To Do:

1. Write slides for WEBD236
2. Prepare a model 1 architecture example
3. Prepare a model 2 architecture example

Not logged in, only viewing ToDos

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# Session Example

**Login** [Log in](#)

Username:

Password:

[<< Back](#)

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Logging in.



# Session Example

## Login

Please correct the following errors:

- Invalid username/password

Username:

Password:

[<< Back](#)

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Some minimal error feedback, keeping form data.

# Session Example

## To Do List

[Log out](#)

Description:

### Current To Do:

- [\[View\]](#) [\[Edit\]](#) [\[Del\]](#) Teach class on Wednesday, 7:30 PM EST.

### Past To Do:

- [\[View\]](#) [\[Edit\]](#) [\[Del\]](#) Write slides for WEBD236
- [\[View\]](#) [\[Edit\]](#) [\[Del\]](#) Prepare a model 1 architecture example
- [\[View\]](#) [\[Edit\]](#) [\[Del\]](#) Prepare a model 2 architecture example

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After logging in:  
add, view, edit,  
delete, and log out.

# Session Example

- URL fishing:
  - When not logged in, navigating directly to <https://localhost/webd236/LoginExample/todo/view/1> should redirect to a login screen and after logging in, the user should be redirected back to the todo they attempted to view.

# Session example

- Set up your .htaccess file

```
Options +FollowSymLinks
IndexIgnore */*
# Turn on the RewriteEngine
RewriteEngine On
# Force HTTPS for security of cookies
RewriteCond %{HTTPS} !on
RewriteRule (.*) https://%{HTTP_HOST}%{REQUEST_URI} [L]
# Handle URL routing
RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-f
RewriteCond %{REQUEST_FILENAME} !-d
RewriteRule . urlrouter.php
```

# Session example

- Sessions should start immediately

```
// inside the urlrouter.php file
session_set_cookie_params(60*60*24*14, '/',
    $_SERVER['SERVER_NAME'], true, false);
session_start();
routeUrl();
```

# Session example

- A useful function in Lib/Util.inc

```
function isLoggedIn() {  
    $inSession = session_id();  
    if (!empty($inSession)) {  
        if (isset($_SESSION['loggedin'])) {  
            return $_SESSION['loggedin'];  
        }  
    }  
    return false;  
}
```

# Session example

- Changes to the views/header.html

```
<!-- snipped top section -->
<body>
  <div class="content">
[[ include_once 'Lib/Util.inc'; ]]
[[ if (isLoggedIn()) : ]]
  <p class='login'><a href='@@auth/logout@@ '>Log out</a></p>
[[ else : ]]
  <p class='login'><a href='@@auth/login@@ '>Log in</a></p>
[[ endif; ]]
```

Class login is a float left style.

This means we'll need an auth controller

# Session example

- Changes to the views/index.inc

```
%% views/header.html %%  
<h1>{{$title}}</h1>  
[[if (isLoggedIn()) : ]]  
<form action="@ @todo/add@ @" method="post">  
  <label for="description">Description:</label>  
  <input type="text" id="description" name="description" />  
  <input type="submit" value="Add" />  
</form>  
[[ endif; ]]  
<h2>Current To Do:</h2>  
<ol>  
  [[ foreach ($todos as $todo) : ]]  
    <!-- more changes omitted -->
```

Only display form if user is logged in. Same for edit, delete and view links (omitted)



# Session example

- Create the controllers/auth.inc

```
<?php
include_once "Lib/Util.inc";
include_once "models/users.inc";

function get_login($params) {
    renderTemplate(
        "views/login_form.inc",
        array(
            'title' => 'Login',
        )
    );
}
?>
```

Called when the user clicks the 'login' link in the header. Just renders the login form.

# Session example

- Create the views/login\_form.inc

```
%% views/header.html %%
<h1>{{$title}}</h1>
%% views/errors.html %%
<div class='inputs'>
  <form action="@ @auth/login@ @" method="post">
    <label for="username">Username:</label>
    <input type="text" id="username" name="username"
      value="{{isset($username) ? $username : ""}}"/>
    <!-- password omitted for space -->
    <input type="submit" value="Login" />
  </form>
</div>
<p><a href="@ @index@ @"><< Back</a></p>
%% views/footer.html %%
```

# Session example

- Create the views/logic

errors.html pulls errors out and reports them to the user (if they exist)

```
%% views/header.html %%  
<h1>{{$title}}</h1>  
%% views/errors.html %%  
<div class='inputs'>  
  <form action="@ @auth/login@ @" method="post">  
    <label for="username">Username:</label>  
    <input type="text" id="username" name="username"  
      value="{{isset($username) ? $username : ""}}"/>  
    <!-- password omitted for space -->  
    <input type="submit" value="Login" />  
  </form>  
</div>  
<p><a href="@ @index@ @"><< Back</a></p>  
%% views/footer.html %%
```

# Session example

- Create the views/errors.html

```
[[ if (isset($errors)) : ]]  
  <p>Please correct the following errors:</p>  
  <ul>  
[[  foreach ($errors as $error) : ]]  
    <li>{{$error}</li>  
[[  endforeach; ]]  
  </ul>  
[[ endif; ]]
```

# Session example

- Create the views/login form inc

This means we need a controllers/auth.inc with a function post\_login.

```
%% views/header.html %%  
<h1>{{$title}}</h1>  
%% views/errors.html %%  
<div class='inputs'>  
  <form action="@ @auth/login@ @" method="post">  
    <label for="username">Username:</label>  
    <input type="text" id="username" name="username"  
      value="{{isset($username) ? $username : ""}}"/>  
    <!-- password omitted for space -->  
    <input type="submit" value="Login" />  
  </form>  
</div>  
<p><a href="@ @index@ @"><< Back</a></p>  
%% views/footer.html %%
```

# Session example

- Modify the controllers/auth.inc

```
function post_login($params) {
    $username = safeParam($_REQUEST, 'username', false);
    $password = safeParam($_REQUEST, 'password', false);
    if (isValidUser($username, $password)) {
        $_SESSION['loggedin'] = true;
        $_SESSION['username'] = $username;
        if (isset($_SESSION['redirect'])) {
            $redirect = $_SESSION['redirect'];
            redirect($redirect);
            exit();
        }
        redirectRelative("index");
    } else {
        // continued
    }
}
```

# Session example

- Modify the controllers/login.inc

```
function post_login($params) {  
    $username = safeParam($_REQUEST, 'username', false);  
    $password = safeParam($_REQUEST, 'password', false);  
    if (isValidUser($username, $password)) {  
        $_SESSION['loggedin'] = true;  
        if (isset($_SESSION['redirect'])) {  
            $redirect = $_SESSION['redirect'];  
            redirect($redirect);  
            exit();  
        }  
        redirectRelative("index");  
    } else {  
        // continued  
    }  
}
```

isValidUser should query the DB based on username and a hash of the password.

# Session example

- Modify the controllers/auth.inc

```
function post_index($params) {  
    $username = safeParam($_REQUEST, 'username', false);  
    $password = safeParam($_REQUEST, 'password', false);  
    if (isValidUser($username, $password)) {  
        $_SESSION['loggedin'] = true;  
        $_SESSION['username'] = $username;  
        if (isset($_SESSION['redirect'])) {  
            $redirect = $_SESSION['redirect'];  
            redirect($redirect);  
            exit();  
        }  
        redirectRelative("index");  
    } else {  
        // continued  
    }  
}
```

In a “real” login/logout situation, we’d want to store a user ID here.



# Session

- Modify the controller

If they attempt to access a protected resource without logging in, then this session variable will be set.

```
function post_login($params) {
    $username = safeParam($_REQUEST['username'], false);
    $password = safeParam($_REQUEST['password'], false);
    if (isValidUser($username, $password)) {
        $_SESSION['loggedin'] = true;
        if (isset($_SESSION['redirect'])) {
            $redirect = $_SESSION['redirect'];
            redirect($redirect);
            exit();
        }
        redirectRelative("index");
    } else {
        // continued
    }
}
```

# Session example

- Modify the controllers/auth.inc

```
// continued
} else {
  renderTemplate(
    "views/login_form.inc",
    array(
      'title' => 'Login',
      'errors' => array("Invalid username/password"),
      'username' => $username,
      'password' => $password
    )
  );
}
```

This lets us keep the values the user entered in already.

# Session example

- Create models/users.inc

```
<?php
function isValidUser($username, $password) {
    return $username == 'admin' && $password == 'nimda';
}
?>
```

In a real application, we'd query the database, and likely end up storing the user ID in a session variable.

# Session example

- Modify the controllers/auth.inc

```
<?php
include_once "Lib/Util.inc";
include_once "models/users.inc";

function get_logout($params) {
    $_SESSION = array();
    session_destroy();
    redirectRelative("index");
}
?>
```

Just destroy the session and redirect to the home page.

# Session example

- Prevent URL fishing in controllers/todo.inc

```
function get_view($params) {  
  ensureLoggedIn();  
  $id = safeParam($params, 'id');  
  if ($id === false) {  
    die("No todo id specified");  
  }  
  
  $todo = findToDoById($id);  
  if (!$todo) {  
    die("No todo with id $id found.");  
  }  
  // remainder skipped
```

ensureLoggedIn will make sure that this function can execute only if the user is authenticated. Call this first in every method you want protected.

# Session example

- Modify Lib/Util.inc

```
function ensureLoggedIn() {  
  if (!isLoggedIn()) {  
    $_SESSION['redirect'] = $_SERVER['REQUEST_URI'];  
    redirectRelative('login');  
    exit();  
  }  
}  
  
function redirect($url) {  
  session_write_close();  
  header("Location: $url");  
  exit();  
}
```

This updates the redirect session variable to know where to go to after logging in.

# Session example

- Modify Lib/Util.inc

```
function ensureLoggedIn() {  
  if (!isLoggedIn()) {  
    $_SESSION['redirect'] = $_SERVER['REQUEST_URI'];  
    redirectRelative('login');  
    exit();  
  }  
}  
  
function redirect($url) {  
  session_write_close();  
  header("Location: $url");  
  exit();  
}
```

This ensures that session files are updated on a redirection (i.e. no HTML output).

# Session example

- Complete source code for the entire working example is available at <http://cs.franklin.edu/~sharkesc/webd236/>



# Upcoming Deadlines

- Readings for next week
  - › Chapters 13 and 14 in *PHP and MySQL*
- Assignments
  - › Homework 5 due end of week 6
  - › Lab 2 due end of week 7
- Next week:
  - › Functions and object-oriented programming

# General Q & A

- Questions?
- Comments?
- Concerns?