

Re: session loss

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LucasGT wrote:

Hi Lucas,

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>>> <META HTTP-EQUIV=Refresh
>>> CONTENT="0;url=http://my.url.com/?params=zdazdazda">
>
>> That is a strange URL, but if it works, fine. :-)
>
> Actually, the true URL is more bizarre than this one, but if it works,
> fine :-D
>
>> If you go to the side, does the same popup also make the session
> disappear?
>
> I'm afraid I don't understand what you mean by " If you go to the side
> " ?
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You don't understand because I make a typo.

Sorry. :-)

I ment SITE as in website.

My question to you was: If you visit the <http://my.url.com/?params=zdazdazda> straight without the redirection, and the popup comes up, is your session lost too?

Because if that is the case: The popup alone is responsible for the sessionloss.

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>
> in fact, I don't own the code but have access to it, and I'm able to do
> a lot of change in it
> I'll try to see if / how the pop-up can delete the session (cookie) on
> the client side. I'm quite sure it ain't a javascript thing, but what I
> didn't tell you is that the popup is a pdf.
>
> Another thing : if I copy/paste the _strange_ URL directly in a browser
> window, no problemo. The session's never lost.
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exactly. That is what I wanted you to test. :-)
Hmm...

Honestly I am baffled.
This must be something very obscure.

>
> Thank you for your advices. I'll inform you of my progress.

Please do: I am very curious what it turns out to be.

Regards,
Erwin Moller

PS: A tip.
I had a lot of help using a developerplugin for firefox to solve session/cookie related problems.
Look for: Web Developer 0.9.3 "Adds a menu and a toolbar with various web developer tools"

for example: Maybe you are using session_start(), but you do not use it on every page. With this tool you can easily compare what changes in the cookies and what is send. Look for PHPSESSIONID, or whatever you called it in you php.ini.

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