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# **sanic\_session Documentation**

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## USING THE INTERFACES

For now project has set of different interfaces. You can install each manually or using the extra parameters:

```
pip install sanic_session[aioredis]
```

Other supported backend keywords:

- `aioredis` (dependency ‘aioredis’),
- `redis` (‘asyncio\_redis’),
- `mongo` (‘sanic\_motor’ and ‘pymongo’),
- `aiomcache` (‘aiomcache’)

### 1.1 Redis (asyncio\_redis)

Redis is a popular and widely supported key-value store. In order to interface with redis, you will need to add `asyncio_redis` to your project. Do so with pip:

```
pip install asyncio_redis or pip install sanic_session[redis]
```

To integrate Redis with `sanic_session` you need to pass a getter method into the `RedisSessionInterface` which returns a connection pool. This is required since there is no way to synchronously create a connection pool. An example is below:

```
import asyncio_redis

from sanic import Sanic
from sanic.response import text
from sanic_session import Session, RedisSessionInterface

app = Sanic()

class Redis:
    """
    A simple wrapper class that allows you to share a connection
    pool across your application.
    """
    _pool = None

    @async def get_redis_pool(self):
        if not self._pool:
```

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```
self._pool = await asyncio_redis.Pool.create(
    host='localhost', port=6379, poolsize=10
)

return self._pool

redis = Redis()

Session(app, interface=RedisSessionInterface(redis.get_redis_pool))

@app.route("/")
async def test(request):
    # interact with the session like a normal dict
    if not request.ctx.session.get('foo'):
        request.ctx.session['foo'] = 0

    request.ctx.session['foo'] += 1

    response = text(request.ctx.session['foo'])

    return response

if __name__ == "__main__":
    app.run(host="0.0.0.0", port=8000, debug=True)
```

## 1.2 Redis (aioredis)

aioredis have little better syntax and more popular since it supported by aiohttp team.

```
pip install asyncio_redis or pip install sanic_session[aioredis]
```

This example shows little different approach. You can use classic Flask extensions approach with factory based initialization process. You can use it with different backends also.

```
import aioredis

from sanic import Sanic
from sanic.response import text
from sanic_session import Session, AIORedisSessionInterface

app = Sanic(__name__, load_env=False)
# init extensions
session = Session()

@app.listener('before_server_start')
async def server_init(app, loop):
    # For aioredis 1.x and older
    # app.redis = await aioredis.create_redis_pool(app.config['redis'])
    # For aioredis 2.x
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```

app.redis = aioredis.from_url(app.config['redis'], decode_responses=True)
# init extensions fabrics
session.init_app(app, interface=AIORedisSessionInterface(app.redis))

@app.route("/")
async def test(request):
    # interact with the session like a normal dict
    if not request.ctx.session.get('foo'):
        request.ctx.session['foo'] = 0

    request.ctx.session['foo'] += 1

    response = text(request.ctx.session['foo'])

    return response

if __name__ == "__main__":
    app.run(host="0.0.0.0", port=8000, debug=True)

```

## 1.3 Memcache

Memcache is another popular key-value storage system. In order to interface with memcache, you will need to add aiomcache to your project. Do so with pip:

```
pip install aiomcache or pip install sanic_session[aiomcache]
```

To integrate memcache with `sanic_session` you need to pass an `aiomcache.Client` into the session interface, as follows:

```

import aiomcache
import uvloop

from sanic import Sanic
from sanic.response import text
from sanic_session import Session, MemcacheSessionInterface

app = Sanic()

# create a uvloop to pass into the memcache client and sanic
loop = uvloop.new_event_loop()

# create a memcache client
client = aiomcache.Client("127.0.0.1", 11211, loop=loop)

# pass the memcache client into the session
session = Session(app, interface=MemcacheSessionInterface(client))

@app.route("/")
async def test(request):
    # interact with the session like a normal dict

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```
if not request.ctx.session.get('foo'):
    request.ctx.session['foo'] = 0

request.ctx.session['foo'] += 1

response = text(request.ctx.session['foo'])

return response

if __name__ == "__main__":
    app.run(host="0.0.0.0", port=8000, debug=True, loop=loop)
```

## 1.4 In-Memory

sanic\_session comes with an in-memory interface which stores sessions in a Python dictionary available at `session_interface.session_store`. This interface is meant for testing and development purposes only. **This interface is not suitable for production.**

```
from sanic import Sanic
from sanic.response import text
from sanic_session import Session

app = Sanic()

Session(app) # because InMemorySessionInterface used by default

# of full syntax:
#   from sanic_session import InMemorySessionInterface
#   session = Session(app, interface=InMemorySessionInterface())

@app.route("/")
async def index(request):
    # interact with the session like a normal dict
    if not request.ctx.session.get('foo'):
        request.ctx.session['foo'] = 0

    request.ctx.session['foo'] += 1

    return text(request.ctx.session['foo'])

if __name__ == "__main__":
    app.run(host="0.0.0.0", port=8000, debug=True)
```

## API DOCUMENTATION

### 2.1 InMemorySessionInterface

```
class sanic_session.InMemorySessionInterface(domain: Optional[str] = None, expiry: int = 2592000,  
                                             httponly: bool = True, cookie_name: str = 'session',  
                                             prefix: str = 'session:', sessioncookie: bool = False,  
                                             samesite: Optional[str] = None, session_name='session',  
                                             secure: bool = False)  
  
__init__(domain: Optional[str] = None, expiry: int = 2592000, httponly: bool = True, cookie_name: str =  
        'session', prefix: str = 'session:', sessioncookie: bool = False, samesite: Optional[str] = None,  
        session_name='session', secure: bool = False)
```

### 2.2 MemcacheSessionInterface

```
class sanic_session.MemcacheSessionInterface(memcache_connection, domain: Optional[str] = None,  
                                             expiry: int = 2592000, httponly: bool = True,  
                                             cookie_name: str = 'session', prefix: str = 'session:',  
                                             sessioncookie: bool = False, samesite: Optional[str] =  
                                             None, session_name: str = 'session', secure: bool =  
                                             False)  
  
__init__(memcache_connection, domain: Optional[str] = None, expiry: int = 2592000, httponly: bool =  
        True, cookie_name: str = 'session', prefix: str = 'session:', sessioncookie: bool = False, samesite:  
        Optional[str] = None, session_name: str = 'session', secure: bool = False)  
Initializes the interface for storing client sessions in memcache. Requires a client object established with  
asyncio_memcache.
```

**Args:**

**memcache\_connection (aiomemcache.Client):** The memcache client used for interfacing with mem-  
cache.

**domain (str, optional):** Optional domain which will be attached to the cookie.

**expiry (int, optional):** Seconds until the session should expire.

**httponly (bool, optional):** Adds the *httponly* flag to the session cookie.

**cookie\_name (str, optional):** Name used for the client cookie.

**prefix (str, optional):** Memcache keys will take the format of *prefix+session\_id*; specify the prefix here.

**sessioncookie (bool, optional):** Specifies if the sent cookie should be a ‘session cookie’, i.e no Expires or Max-age headers are included. Expiry is still fully tracked on the server side. Default setting is False.

**samesite (str, optional):** Will prevent the cookie from being sent by the browser to the target site in all cross-site browsing context, even when following a regular link. One of ('lax', 'strict') Default: None

**session\_name (str, optional):** Name of the session that will be accessible through the request. e.g. If `session_name` is `alt_session`, it should be accessed like that: `request.ctx.alt_session` e.g. And if `session_name` is left to default, it should be accessed like that: `request.ctx.session` Default: ‘session’

**secure (bool, optional):** Adds the *Secure* flag to the session cookie.

## 2.3 RedisSessionInterface

```
class sanic_session.RedisSessionInterface(redis_getter: Callable, domain: Optional[str] = None, expiry: int = 2592000, httponly: bool = True, cookie_name: str = 'session', prefix: str = 'session:', sessioncookie: bool = False, samesite: Optional[str] = None, session_name: str = 'session', secure: bool = False)
```

```
__init__(redis_getter: Callable, domain: Optional[str] = None, expiry: int = 2592000, httponly: bool = True, cookie_name: str = 'session', prefix: str = 'session:', sessioncookie: bool = False, samesite: Optional[str] = None, session_name: str = 'session', secure: bool = False)
```

Initializes a session interface backed by Redis.

### Args:

**redis\_getter (Callable):** Coroutine which should return an `asyncio_redis` connection pool (suggested) or an `asyncio_redis` Redis connection.

**domain (str, optional):** Optional domain which will be attached to the cookie.

**expiry (int, optional):** Seconds until the session should expire.

**httponly (bool, optional):** Adds the *httponly* flag to the session cookie.

**cookie\_name (str, optional):** Name used for the client cookie.

**prefix (str, optional):** Memcache keys will take the format of *prefix+session\_id*; specify the prefix here.

**sessioncookie (bool, optional):** Specifies if the sent cookie should be a ‘session cookie’, i.e no Expires or Max-age headers are included. Expiry is still fully tracked on the server side. Default setting is False.

**samesite (str, optional):** Will prevent the cookie from being sent by the browser to the target site in all cross-site browsing context, even when following a regular link. One of ('lax', 'strict') Default: None

**session\_name (str, optional):** Name of the session that will be accessible through the request. e.g. If `session_name` is `alt_session`, it should be accessed like that: `request.ctx.alt_session` e.g. And if `session_name` is left to default, it should be accessed like that: `request.ctx.session` Default: ‘session’

**secure (bool, optional):** Adds the *Secure* flag to the session cookie.

## 2.4 AIORedisSessionInterface

```
class sanic_session.AIORedisSessionInterface(redis, domain: Optional[str] = None, expiry: int = 2592000, httponly: bool = True, cookie_name: str = 'session', prefix: str = 'session:', sessioncookie: bool = False, samesite: Optional[str] = None, session_name: str = 'session', secure: bool = False)
```

```
__init__(redis, domain: Optional[str] = None, expiry: int = 2592000, httponly: bool = True, cookie_name: str = 'session', prefix: str = 'session:', sessioncookie: bool = False, samesite: Optional[str] = None, session_name: str = 'session', secure: bool = False)
```

Initializes a session interface backed by Redis.

**Args:**

**redis (Callable):** aioredis connection or connection pool instance.

**domain (str, optional):** Optional domain which will be attached to the cookie.

**expiry (int, optional):** Seconds until the session should expire.

**httponly (bool, optional):** Adds the *httponly* flag to the session cookie.

**cookie\_name (str, optional):** Name used for the client cookie.

**prefix (str, optional):** Memcache keys will take the format of *prefix+session\_id*; specify the prefix here.

**sessioncookie (bool, optional):** Specifies if the sent cookie should be a ‘session cookie’, i.e no Expires or Max-age headers are included. Expiry is still fully tracked on the server side. Default setting is False.

**samesite (str, optional):** Will prevent the cookie from being sent by the browser to the target site in all cross-site browsing context, even when following a regular link. One of ('lax', 'strict') Default: None

**session\_name (str, optional):** Name of the session that will be accessible through the request. e.g. If `session_name` is `alt_session`, it should be accessed like that: `request.ctx.alt_session` e.g. And if `session_name` is left to default, it should be accessed like that: `request.ctx.session` Default: ‘session’

**secure (bool, optional):** Adds the *Secure* flag to the session cookie.



## CONFIGURATION

When initializing a session interface, you have a number of optional arguments for configuring your session.

**domain (str, optional):** Optional domain which will be attached to the cookie. Defaults to None.

**expiry (int, optional):** Seconds until the session should expire. Defaults to 2592000 (30 days). Setting this to 0 or None will set the session as permanent.

**httponly (bool, optional):** Adds the *httponly* flag to the session cookie. Defaults to True.

**cookie\_name (str, optional):** Name used for the client cookie. Defaults to “session”.

**prefix (str, optional):** Storage keys will take the format of *prefix+<session\_id>*. Specify the prefix here.

**sessioncookie (bool, optional):** If enabled the browser will be instructed to delete the cookie when the browser is closed. This is done by omitting the *max-age* and *expires* headers when sending the cookie. The *expiry* configuration option will still be honored on the server side. This option is disabled by default.

**samesite (str, optional):** One of ‘strict’ or ‘lax’. Defaults to None <https://www.owasp.org/index.php/SameSite>

**session\_name (str, optional):**

Name of the session that will be accessible through the request.

e.g. If **session\_name** is `alt_session`, it should be accessed like that: `request.ctx.alt_session`

e.g. And if **session\_name** is left to default, it should be accessed like that: `request.ctx.session`

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**Note:** If you choose to build your application using more than one session object, make sure that they have different:

1. `cookie_name`
  2. `prefix` (Only if the two cookies share the same store)
  3. And obviously, different: `session_name`
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### Example 1:

```
session_interface = InMemorySessionInterface(  
    domain='example.com', expiry=0,  
    httponly=False, cookie_name="cookie", prefix="sessionprefix:", samesite="strict")
```

Will result in a session that:

- Will be valid only on *example.com*.
- Will never expire.
- Will be accessible by Javascript.

- Will be named “cookie” on the client.
- Will be named “sessionprefix:<sid>” in the session store.
- Will prevent the cookie from being sent by the browser to the target site in all cross-site browsing context, even when following a regular link.

**Example 2:**

```
session_interface = InMemorySessionInterface(  
    domain='example.com', expiry=3600, sessioncookie=True,  
    httponly=True, cookie_name="myapp", prefix="session:")
```

Will result in a session that:

- Will be valid only on *example.com*.
- Will expire on the server side after 1 hour.
- Will be deleted on the client when the user closes the browser.
- Will *not* be accessible by Javascript.
- Will be named “myapp” on the client.
- Will be named “session:<sid>” in the session store.

## TESTING

When building your application you'll eventually want to test that your sessions are behaving as expected. You can use the `InMemorySessionInterface` for testing purposes. You'll want to insert some logic in your application so that in a testing environment, your application uses the `InMemorySessionInterface`. An example is like follows:

`main.py`

```
import asyncio_redis
import os

from sanic import Sanic
from sanic.response import text
from sanic_session import (
    RedisSessionInterface,
    InMemorySessionInterface
)

app = Sanic()

class Redis:
    _pool = None

    async def get_redis_pool(self):
        if not self._pool:
            self._pool = await asyncio_redis.Pool.create(
                host='localhost', port=6379, poolsize=10
            )

        return self._pool

redis = Redis()

# If we are in the testing environment, use the in-memory session interface
if os.environ.get('TESTING'):
    Session(app, interface = InMemorySessionInterface())
else:
    Session(app, interface = RedisSessionInterface(redis.get_redis_pool))
```

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```
@app.route("/")
async def index(request):
    if not request.ctx.session.get('foo'):
        request.ctx.session['foo'] = 0

    request.ctx.session['foo'] += 1

    response = text(request.ctx.session['foo'])

    return response

if __name__ == "__main__":
    app.run(host="0.0.0.0", port=8000, debug=True)
```

Let's say we want to test that the route / does in fact increment a counter on subsequent requests. There's a few things to remember:

- When a session is saved, a session parameter is included in the response cookie.
- Use this session ID to retrieve the server-stored session data from the session\_interface.
- You can also use this session ID on future requests to reuse the same client session.

An example is like follows:

```
import os
os.environ['TESTING'] = 'True'

from main import app, session_interface

import pytest
import aiohttp
from sanic.utils import sanic_endpoint_test

def test_session_increments_counter():
    request, response = sanic_endpoint_test(app, uri='/')

    # A session ID is passed in the response cookies, save that
    session_id = response.cookies['session'].value

    # retrieve the session data using the session_id
    session = session_interface.get_session(session_id)

    assert session['foo'] == 1, 'foo should initially equal 1'

    # use the session ID to test the endpoint against the same session
    request, response = sanic_endpoint_test(
        app, uri='/', cookies={'session': session_id})

    # again retrieve the session data using the session_id
    session = session_interface.get_session(session_id)

    assert session['foo'] == 2, 'foo should increment on subsequent requests'
```

sanic\_session is an extension for sanic that integrates server-backed sessions with a Flask-like API.

Install it with pip: `pip install sanic_session`

sanic\_session provides a number of *session interfaces* for you to store a client's session data. The interfaces available right now are:

- Redis
- Memcache
- In-Memory (suitable for testing and development environments)

See [Using the interfaces](#) for instructions on using each.

A simple example uses the in-memory session interface.

```
from sanic import Sanic
from sanic.response import text
from sanic_session import Session

app = Sanic()
Session(app)

@app.route("/")
async def index(request):
    # interact with the session like a normal dict
    if not request.ctx.session.get('foo'):
        request.ctx.session['foo'] = 0

    request.ctx.session['foo'] += 1

    return text(request.ctx.session['foo'])

if __name__ == "__main__":
    app.run(host="0.0.0.0", port=8000, debug=True)
```

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