

Creating a HAR (HTTP archive format) file

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Question

How to create a HAR (HTTP archive format) file?

Answer

In many cases, a HAR file can assist us in analyzing and troubleshooting various issues. HAR file is a recording of the network session.

Instructions below include how to erase personal details/credentials.

Creating HAR file

Instructions of how to record HTTP session in the common browsers (Chrome, Firefox, and Internet Explorer/Edge) here:

https://toolbox.googleapps.com/apps/har_analyzer/

Removing personal credentials from file

1. Open HAR file in text editor (Notepad++ is a great choice)
2. Search for the words "username" and "password"
3. Locate your username/password
4. Replace it with "*****" or other placeholder that indicates it's been redacted/removed (like "confidential", "MyBusiness", "my_password" etc.)

Note

"username"/"password" sometimes in file without the actual username/password besides them. Usually, the real location of the username + password looks like this:

```
"postData": {
  "mimeType": "application/x-www-form-urlencoded",
  "text": "UserName=*****&Password=*****&AuthMethod=FormsAuthentication",
  "params": [
    {
      "name": "UserName",
      "value": "*****"
    },
    {
      "name": "Password",
      "value": "*****"
    },
    {
      "name": "AuthMethod",
      "value": "FormsAuthentication"
    }
  ]
}
```

5. Click "save"

HAR file is ready for sending without exposing your personal credentials.

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