PlaywrightWithAI Test Suite Documentation

Overview

This directory contains comprehensive test documentation for the PlaywrightWithAI project, which implements both traditional C# Playwright tests and modern BDD/SpecFlow test scenarios.

Test Suite Architecture

Traditional C# Tests

Located in the main PlaywrightTests directory, these tests provide direct, developer-focused validation:

- Test1.cs: User Registration and Duplicate Prevention
- Test2.cs: Record Management (CRUD Operations)
- Test3.cs: Multiple Record Operations

BDD/SpecFlow Tests

Modern business-readable tests using Gherkin syntax:

• SearchFunctionality.feature: 6 comprehensive search scenarios with wildcard support

Test Documentation Files

SearchFunctionality_Steps.md

Comprehensive BDD Test Documentation

- Scenarios: 6 complete test cases covering all search patterns
- Wildcard Testing: Single/multi-character patterns, multi-field combinations
- **Performance**: Optimized browser lifecycle with single-instance reuse
- Validation: Record counts, field verification, specific ID validation
- Execution Time: ~40 seconds for complete suite

Key Test Scenarios:

- 1. Exact search: Dorothy Burch lookup
- 2. Gender filtering: 45 Female records
- 3. Single wildcard: A* patterns (5 results)
- 4. Multi-char wildcard: Al* patterns (3 results)
- 5. Multi-field: $D^* + I^*$ combination (2 results)
- 6. Year-based: 1941 with specific IDs (4 results)

Test1 Steps.md

User Registration Flow

• User authentication and form validation

- Record creation with required fields
- Duplicate entry prevention testing
- Navigation and UI element validation
- User session management (login/logout)

Test2 Steps.md

Record Management Operations

- Data grid navigation and sorting
- CRUD operations (Create, Read, Update, Delete)
- Record editing and data persistence
- Delete confirmation workflows
- Grid sorting and data validation

Test3 Steps.md

Multiple Record Operations

- Bulk record creation (4 test records)
- Multiple delete functionality
- Checkbox selection interface
- Batch operations confirmation
- Data grid management

Technical Framework Details

BDD Implementation

- Framework: SpecFlow 3.9.74 with step tracing
- Browser: Playwright with optimized lifecycle management
- Assertions: MSTest integration with detailed logging
- **Performance**: Single browser instance across scenarios

Traditional Tests

- Framework: Playwright + MSTest
- **Browser**: Direct browser automation
- Validation: Traditional assert-based testing
- Coverage: Complete application workflow testing

Execution Methods

BDD Tests Only

```
cd PlaywrightTests
dotnet test --filter "FullyQualifiedName~SearchFunctionality" --logger:"console;verbosity=detailed"
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Traditional Tests Only

cd PlaywrightTests
dotnet test --filter "FullyQualifiedName!~StepDefinitions" --logger:"console;verbosity=normal"

All Tests

cd PlaywrightTests
dotnet test --logger:"console;verbosity=normal"

Script Execution

.\Scripts\run-bdd-tests.ps1 # BDD only
.\Scripts\run-bdd-tests.ps1 -AllTests # All tests
.\Scripts\run-bdd-tests.ps1 -Traditional # Traditional only

Test Coverage Matrix

Feature	Traditional Tests	BDD Tests	Status
User Authentication	✓ Test1, Test2, Test3	Background steps	Complete
Record Creation	✓ Test1	Not covered	Partial
Record Management	✓ Test2	Not covered	Partial
Search Functionality	Not covered	6 scenarios	Complete
Multiple Operations	✓ Test3	Not covered	Partial
Navigation/UI	✓ All tests	Background steps	Complete

Best Practices Demonstrated

BDD Tests

- Business Readability: Gherkin scenarios readable by stakeholders
- Step Reusability: Common steps shared across scenarios
- Browser Optimization: Performance-conscious single-instance pattern
- **Detailed Logging**: Step timing and execution trace

Traditional Test Features

- **Direct Validation**: Fast, developer-focused test execution
- Complete Workflows: End-to-end user journey testing
- **UI Interaction**: Comprehensive element validation

Recent Updates

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- Complete 6-scenario BDD search functionality implementation
- Browser lifecycle optimization for performance
- Comprehensive wildcard pattern testing
- Specific record ID validation
- **V** Documentation updates with technical details

Future Considerations

Test Expansion Opportunities

- BDD Coverage: Add scenarios for record creation, editing, deletion
- Integration Tests: Cross-feature workflow testing
- **Performance Tests**: Load testing with larger datasets
- Error Handling: Negative test case scenarios

Framework Enhancements

- Parallel Execution: Multi-browser test execution
- **Reporting**: Enhanced HTML/Visual reporting
- CI/CD Integration: Automated pipeline testing
- Cross-browser: Testing across multiple browser engines



Organized File Structure

Test Steps Directory Layout

```
Test Steps/
  - Word/
                                      # Microsoft Word versions (.docx)
      - README.docx
                                      # Test suite overview

    SearchFunctionality_Steps.docx # BDD scenarios documentation

      - Test1_Steps.docx # User registration flow
       Test2_Steps.docx
                                     # CRUD operations flow
                                  # Multiple operations flow
      - Test3_Steps.docx
  - PDF/
                                     # Portable Document Format versions (.pdf)
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                                      # Test suite overview

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      - Test3_Steps.pdf
  README.md # Test suite overview (markdown sometimes)SearchFunctionality_Steps.md # BDD scenarios (markdown source)
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                                     # Test suite overview (markdown source)
  - Test1 Steps.md
                                      # User registration (markdown source)
  - Test2 Steps.md
                                      # CRUD operations (markdown source)
  — Test3_Steps.md
                                      # Multiple operations (markdown source)
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File Format Benefits

- Markdown (.md): Source files for editing and version control
- Word (.docx): Business-friendly format for stakeholders and documentation reviews
- PDF (.pdf): Universal format for archival, sharing, and printing

Conversion Process

The convert-teststeps.ps1 script automatically generates Word and PDF versions from markdown sources:

- 1. Word Generation: Pandoc converts markdown directly to .docx format
- 2. PDF Generation: Chrome headless converts HTML (from markdown) to PDF
- 3. **Organization**: Files are automatically placed in appropriate subfolders

This test suite demonstrates both traditional and modern testing approaches, providing comprehensive application validation through multiple testing paradigms.