Window Handling

How do we identify parent window and child windows?

When a user hits a URL, a webpage opens. This main page is the *parent window* i.e the main window on which the user has currently landed and will perform any operation. This is the same webpage that will open when our *Selenium* automation script will execute. All the windows which will open inside your main window will be termed as *child windows*.

What are the different methods used for window handling in Selenium?

- **getWindowHandle():** When a website opens, we need to handle the main window i.e the parent window using driver.getWindowHandle(); method. With this method, we get a unique ID of the current window which will identify it within this driver instance. This method will return the value of the **String type.**
- **getWindowHandles():** To handle all opened windows which are the **child windows** by web driver, we use driver.getWindowHandles(); method. The windows store in a **Set** of String type and here we can see the transition from one window to another window in a web application. Its return type is **Set <String>**.
- **switchto():** Using this method we perform switch operation within windows.

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package practice;
import java.util.Iterator;
import java.util.Set;
import org.openqa.selenium.By;
import org.openga.selenium.WebDriver;
import org.openqa.selenium.WebElement;
import org.openqa.selenium.chrome.ChromeDriver;
import io.github.bonigarcia.wdm.WebDriverManager;
public class WindowHandling {
       public static void main(String[] args) throws InterruptedException {
   WebDriverManager.chromedriver().setup();
   WebDriver driver = new ChromeDriver();
   driver.manage().window().maximize();
   driver.get("https://demoga.com/browser-windows");
   driver.findElement(By.id("windowButton")).click();
    String mainwindow = driver.getWindowHandle();
    System.out.println("Main window handle is " + mainwindow);
    Set<String> s1 = driver.getWindowHandles();
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System.out.println("Child window handle is " + s1);
    Iterator<String> i1 = s1.iterator();
    while (i1.hasNext()) {
      String ChildWindow = i1.next();
        if (!mainwindow.equalsIgnoreCase(ChildWindow)) {
         driver.switchTo().window(ChildWindow);
        WebElement text = driver.findElement(By.id("sampleHeading"));
        Thread.sleep(5000);
        System.out.println("Heading of child window is " + text.getText());
         driver.close();
         System.out.println("Child window closed");
      }
    }
    // Switch back to the main window which is the parent window.
    driver.switchTo().window(mainwindow);
        }
}
```

Output



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sterminated WindowHandling [Java Application] C\Users\Amol\p2\pool\plugins\org.edipse.justj.openjdk.hotspot.jre.full.win32x86_64_17.0.4x20221004-1257\jre\bin\javaw.exe (13-Aug-2023, 140:24 pm - 1:40:39 pm) [pid: SLF4J: No SLF4J providers were found.

SLF4J: Defaulting to no-operation (NOP) logger implementation

SLF4J: See https://www.slf4j.org/codes.html#noProviders for further details.

Main window handle is 3B60AE0DE4B1594A6B0174CD2356E231

Child window handle is [3B60AE0DE4B1594A6B0174CD2356E231, 2ED2ED605F6BFA93DF23C12783F5BC43]

Heading of child window is This is a sample page

Child window closed
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- Launch the website "https://demoqa.com/browser-windows" and click on the windows
 "windowbutton".
- String mainwindow = driver.getWindowHandle(): It stores parent window value in a unique identifier of string type.

- Set<String> s = driver.getWindowHandles(): All child windows are stored in a set of strings.
- Iterator<String> i = s.iterator() : Here we will iterate through all child windows.
- if (!MainWindow.equalsIgnoreCase(ChildWindow)) : Now check them by comparing the main window with the child windows.
- driver.switchTo().window (ChildWindow): Switch to the child window and read the heading.
- WebElement text = driver.findElement(By.id("sampleHeading")): Find the element and store in a web element through which we will get the text of heading using gettext() method.