



# Selenium IDE with Assessor+

# Assessor+

- **Assessor+** is a Selenium IDE plugin that empowers **Capture & Replay** by supporting **PageObjects** automatic generation
- **Assessor+** can be used
  1. During the Selenium IDE recording phase, to **add annotations** to test cases about PageObjects and methods
  2. Once Selenium IDE have been recorded and exported, to automatically **translate the annotations** into Java PageObjects

# Pre-requisites: Java, Selenium IDE & Others



- If not already present, install **Mozilla Firefox** from <https://www.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/new/>



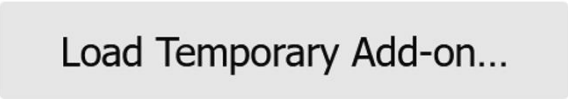
- If not already present, install **Java 8+** from <https://www.java.com/it/>

- If not already present, install **Maven** from <https://maven.apache.org/install.html> **Maven**

- Install **Selenium IDE** from <https://addons.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/addon/selenium-ide/>



# Pre-requisites: Assessor+ Recorder

1. Clone repository from <https://github.com/S4064172/AssessorExtension>
2. Type "about:debugging" in Firefox browser
3. In the page that opens, click "[This Firefox](#)" link
4. Click  button
5. Browse to *manifest.json* in Assessor+ repo cloned in step 1

**Note that steps 2-5 must be repeated any time the browser is closed**

# Pre-requisites: Assessor+ Generator

1. Clone repository from <https://github.com/S4064172/Assessor>
2. Compile project using **Maven**
  - From cmd inside the folder, run **mvn install**
  - A JAR file named **assessor-1.0.0-jar-with-dependencies** will be created under **/target** folder
  - We'll use the JAR later!

# Assessor+ UI

This window is opened by pressing F8 when Selenium IDE is recording

## ASSESSOR+ Browser Extension

Selected file:

Page Object name

Method name

Confirm

Cancel

Choose a .side file

Clear local Session


These fields are used to annotate a test case with PageObject and associated method names. Whatever follows the annotation, during the recording phase, and until the next annotation is added, is considered part of that PageObject and method.

It clears the references to test suites loaded for reuse purposes. It is strongly recommended to clean up Assessor+ state when test suites for different applications have to be created

It loads a previously saved test suite (.side extension) to refer to already defined Page Objects and methods for reuse purposes

# Assessor+ Annotations Example


Login page



Login	
Username	<input type="text"/>
Password	<input type="password"/>
Remember my login on this computer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Secure Session	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Only allow your session to be used from this IP address.
<input type="button" value="Login"/>	

Login

Home page



Logged in as: *administrator* (administrator)

[Main](#) | [My View](#) | [View Issues](#) | [Report Issue](#)

Unassigned [ ^ ] (0 - 0 / 0)
Resolved [ ^ ] (0 - 0 / 0)
Monitored by Me [ ^ ] (0 - 0 / 0)

## ASSESSOR+ Browser Extension

Selected file:

Page Object name

LoginPage

Method name

doLogin

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Choose a .side file

Clear local Session

The annotation precedes the login recording

# Testing Procedure with Assessor+

1. Create Selenium IDE Project
2. Create Test Case from a Gherkin
3. Start Recording 
4. **Add Annotation**
5. Interact over the UI
6. Stop Recording 
7. Export Test Suite
8. **Generate Files from Test Suite**
9. Import Files into Java Project

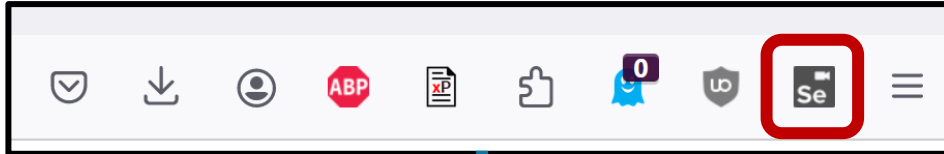
*Steps 4-5 are repeated  
as long as needed to  
record POs/methods  
within a test case*

*Steps 2-6 are repeated  
as long as needed to  
record test cases*

*Steps in red require Assessor+*

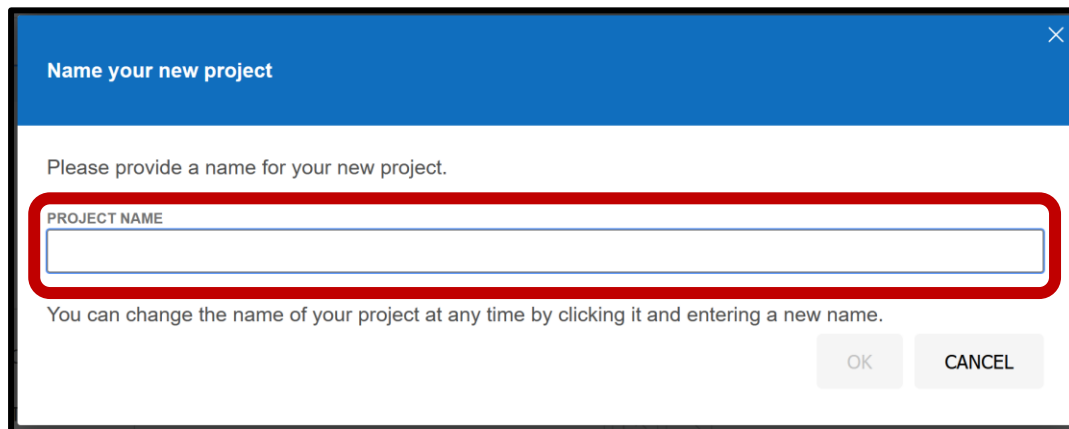
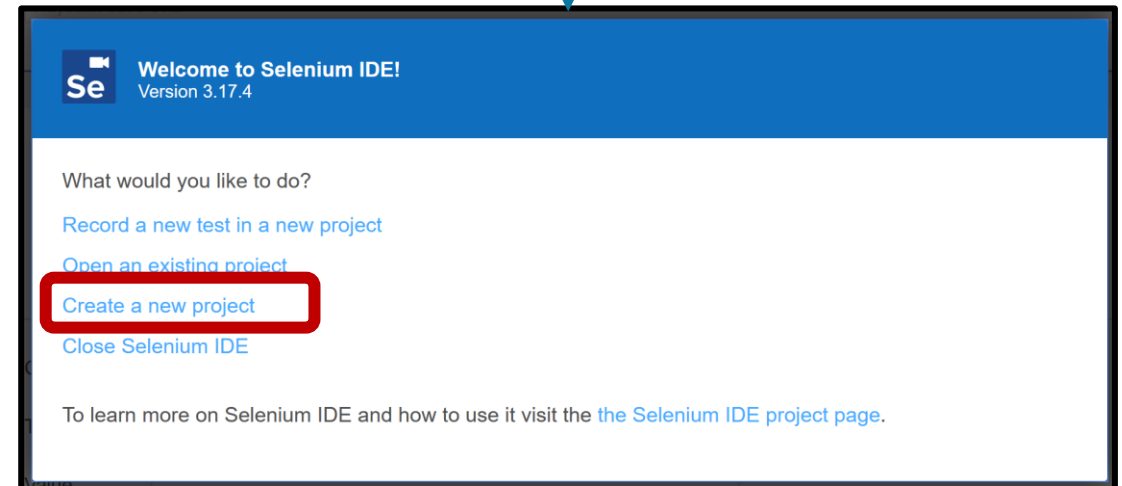


# Create Selenium IDE Project (1)



1. Open Selenium IDE from browser

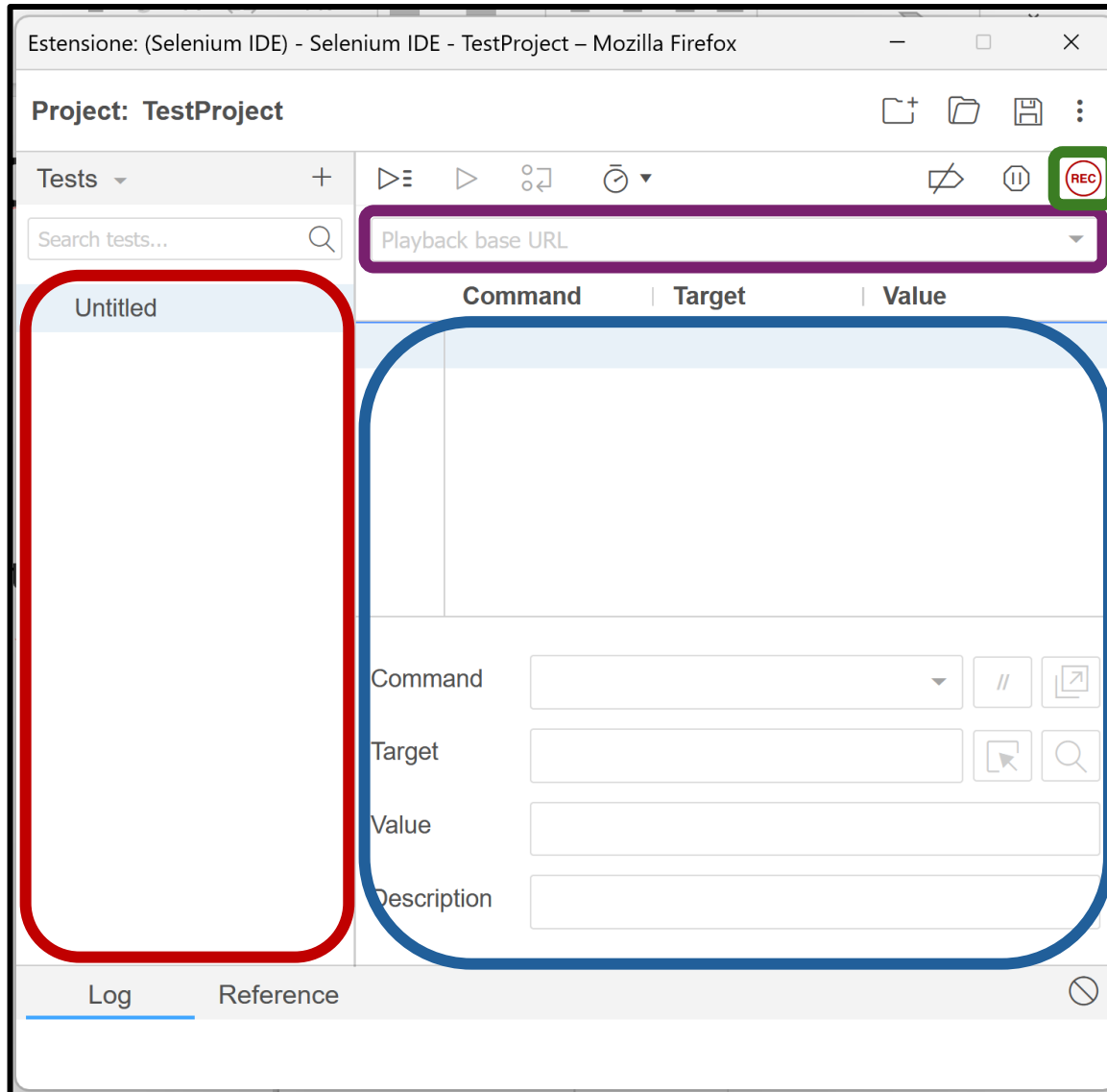
2. Select "Create a new project" (or open an existing project if you already produced some tests before)



3. Give it a name and confirm

# Create Selenium IDE Project (2)

Test cases panel



Start/stop recording button

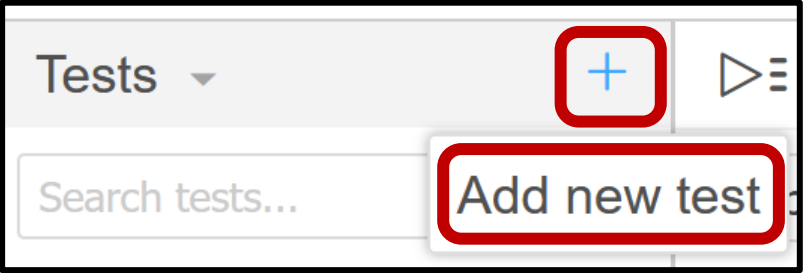
Base URL of the Web app under test  
(e.g., <https://localhost/myapp>)

**Selenese instructions (triples) panel:**

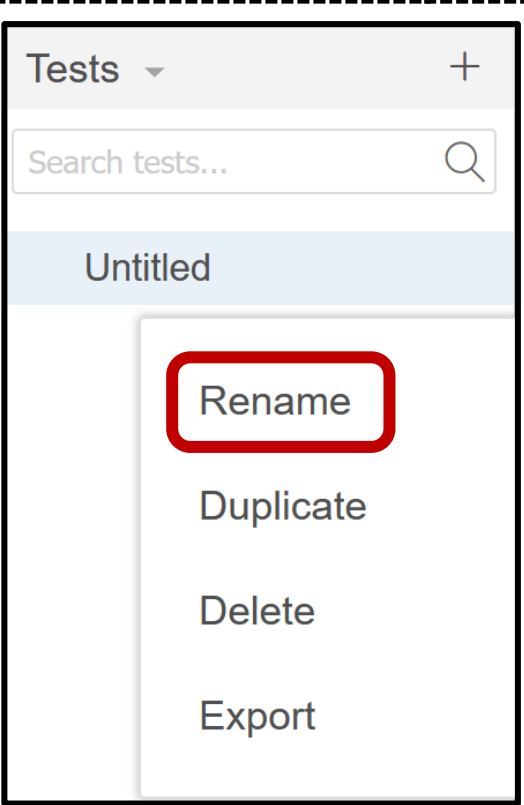
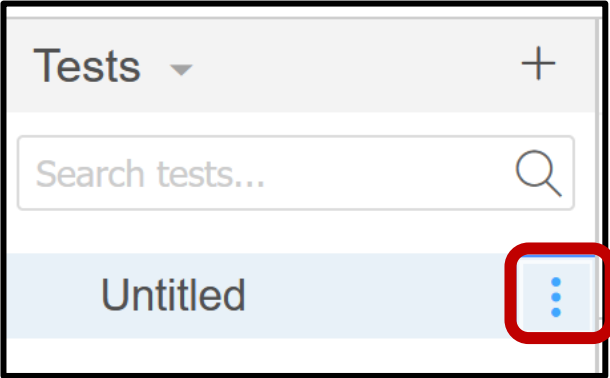
- **Command** (the action to perform, e.g., type)
- **Target** (the Web element target of the command, e.g., id=«username» )
- **Value** (the optional value required by the command, e.g., «administrator»)

# Create Test Case

Add test case

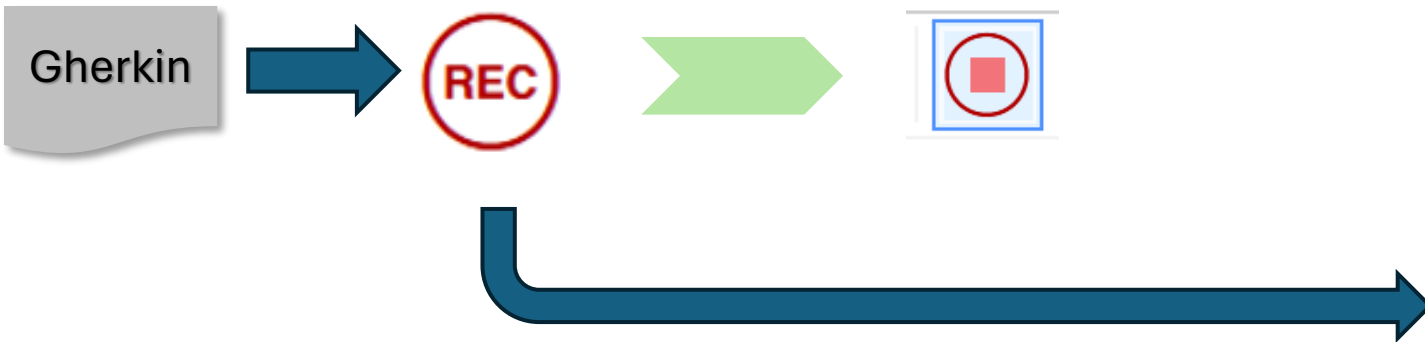
A screenshot of the 'Add new test case' dialog. The dialog has a blue header with the title 'Add new test case' and a close button. Below the header is a text input field labeled 'TEST CASE NAME' with the value 'Test1'. At the bottom right are two buttons: 'ADD' and 'CANCEL'.

Rename test case

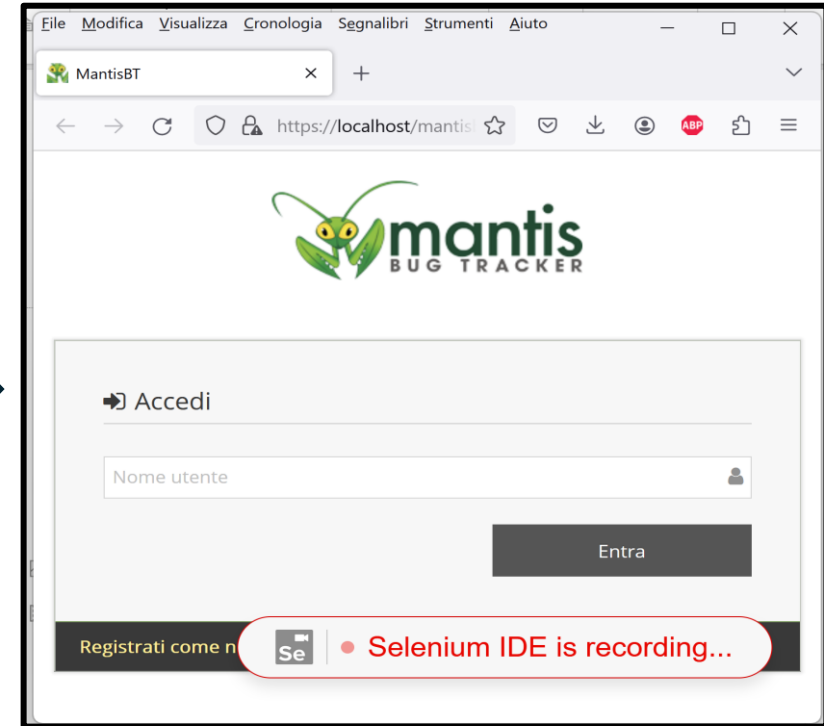
A screenshot of the 'Rename test case' dialog. The dialog has a blue header with the title 'Rename test case' and a close button. Below the header is a text input field labeled 'TEST CASE NAME' with the value 'Test2'. At the bottom right are two buttons: 'RENAME' and 'CANCEL'.

# Start/Stop Recording

The Gherkin drives the recording



Clicking the **REC button** will activate the recording mode and open the browser at the page set as base URL



Selenium IDE will add the **open command** that reflects the opening of the browser and a **set window size command**. From now on, Selenium IDE will record any interaction over the UI

	Command	Target	Value
1	open	https://localhost/mantisbt/login_page.php	
2	set window size	599x579	

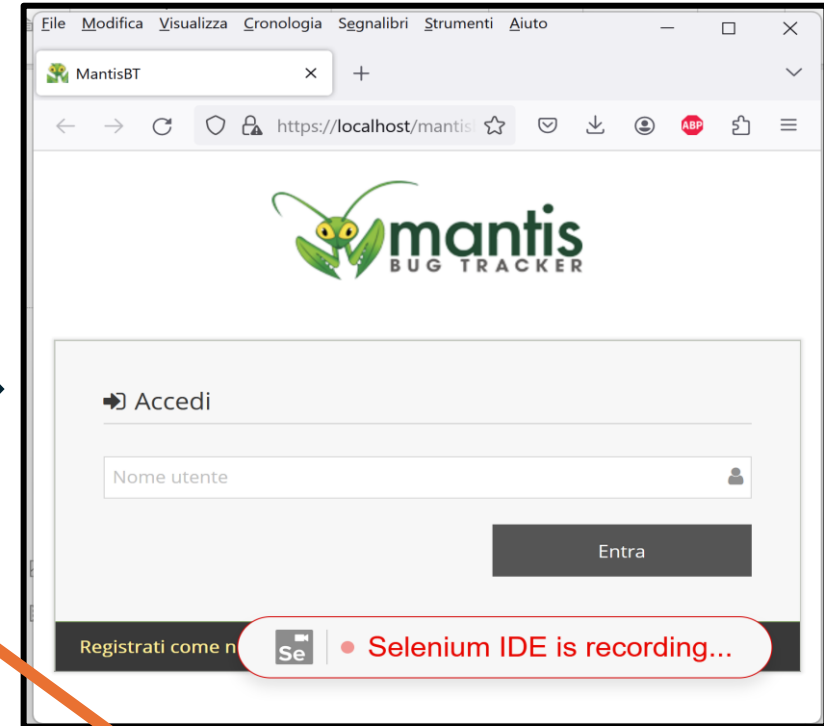
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Gherkin

Sometimes a test might not add the URL to open as target (set it manually if that is the case)



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# Add Annotation + Interact over the UI

*F8 to open this window the first time*

Add Annotation



Estensione: (Assessor+) - Mozilla Firefox

**ASSESSOR+ Browser Extension**

Selected file:

Page Object name  
LoginPage

Method name  
doLogin

Confirm Cancel Choose a .side file Clear local Session



3	echo	{ASSESSOR}:LoginPage:doLogin	
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Entering PO and method names and clicking Confirm will add an annotation indicating the begin of the PO method

Interactions over UI



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MantisBT

https://localhost/mantis

**mantis**  
BUG TRACKER

Accedi

administrator

Entra

Registrati come nuovo utente

Selenium IDE is recording...

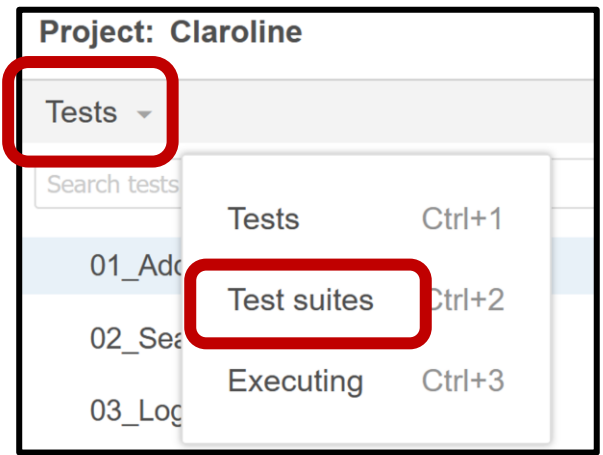


4	click	id=username	
5	type	id=username	administrator
6	click	css=.width-40	

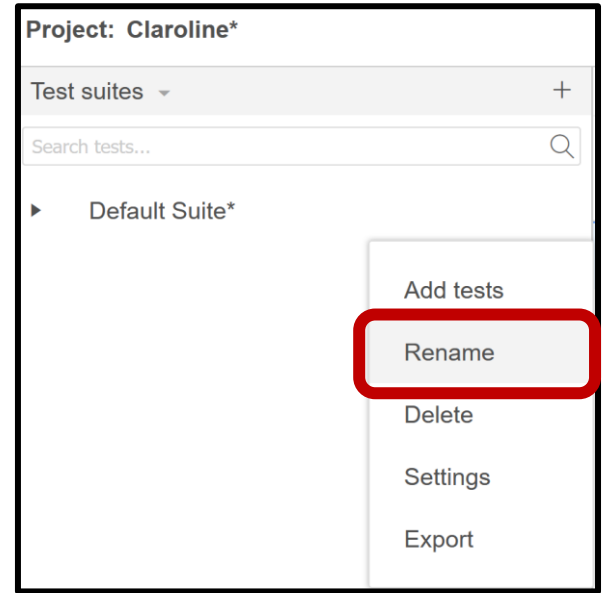
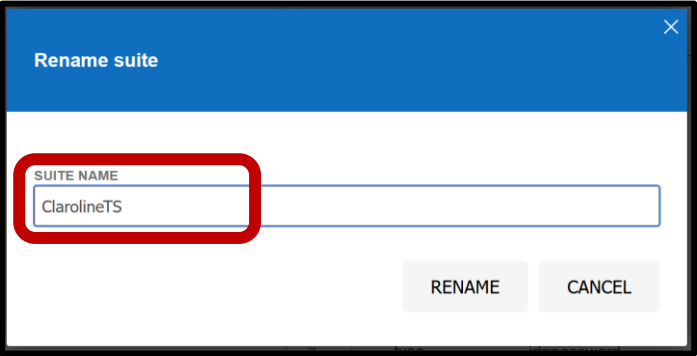
Any following interaction over the UI will be recorded and encapsulated within that PageObject method

# Export Test Suite (1)

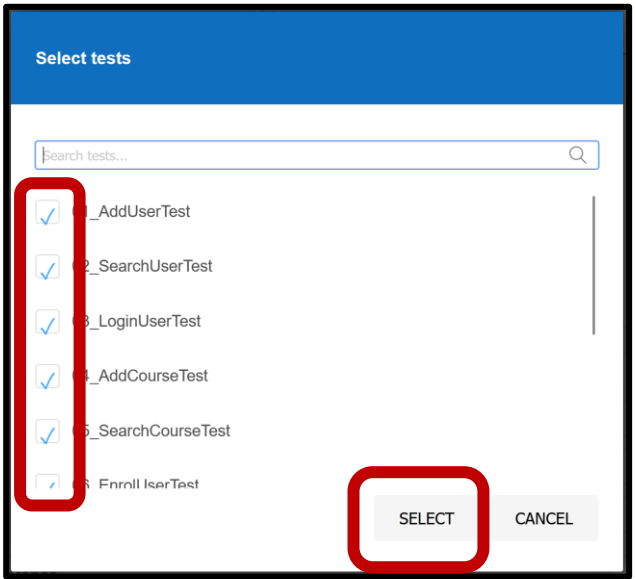
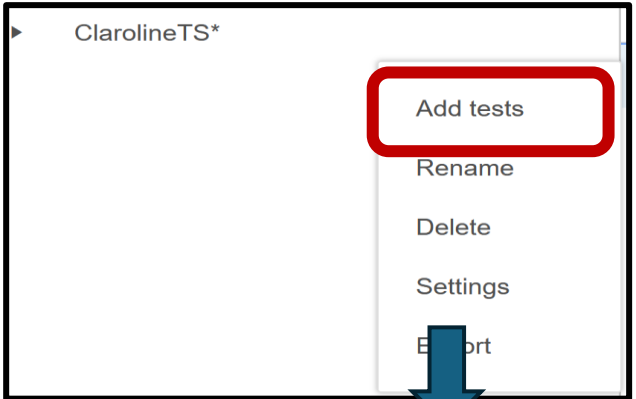
1. Switch to Test Suite perspective



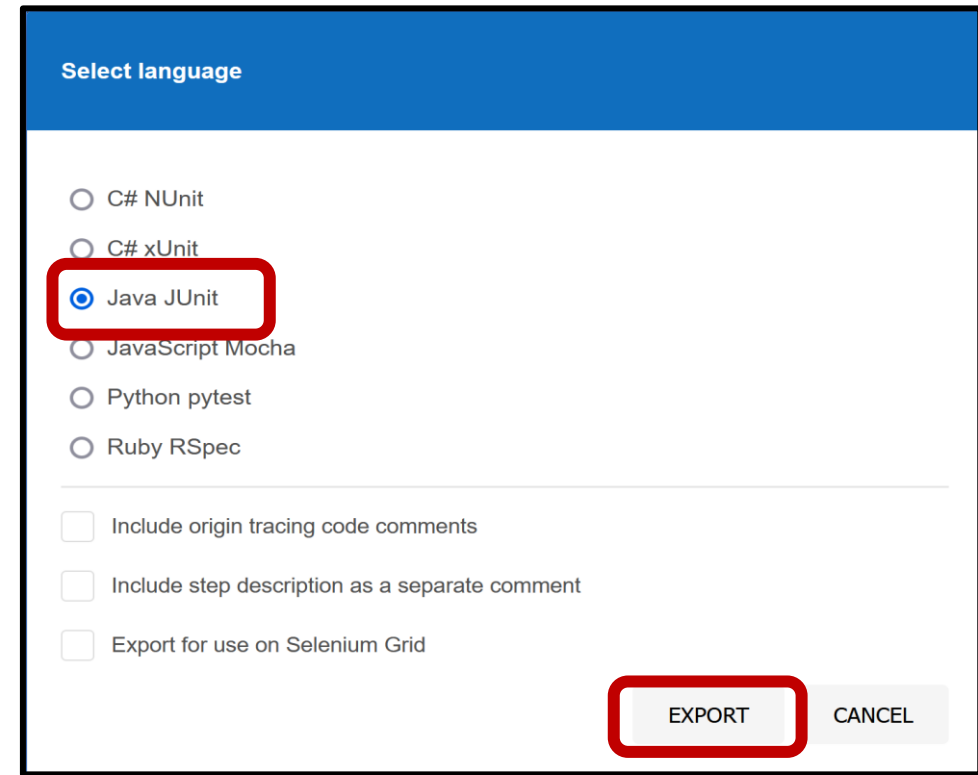
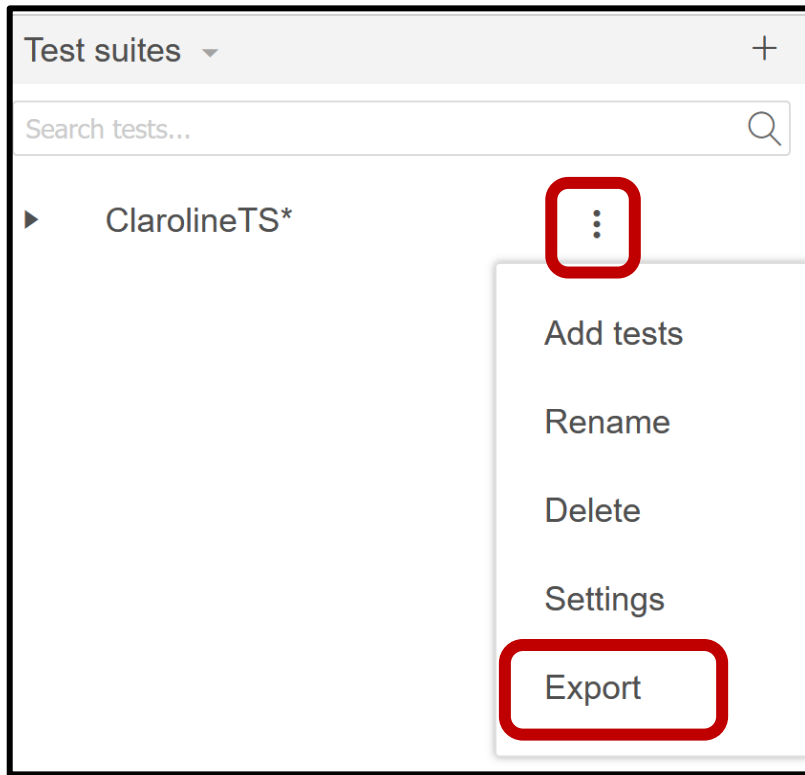
2. Rename Test Suite



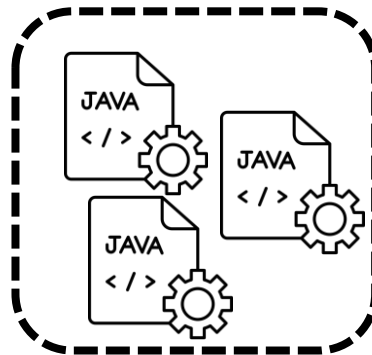
3. Add Test Cases to Test Suite



# Export Test Suite (2)



**TS-folder**

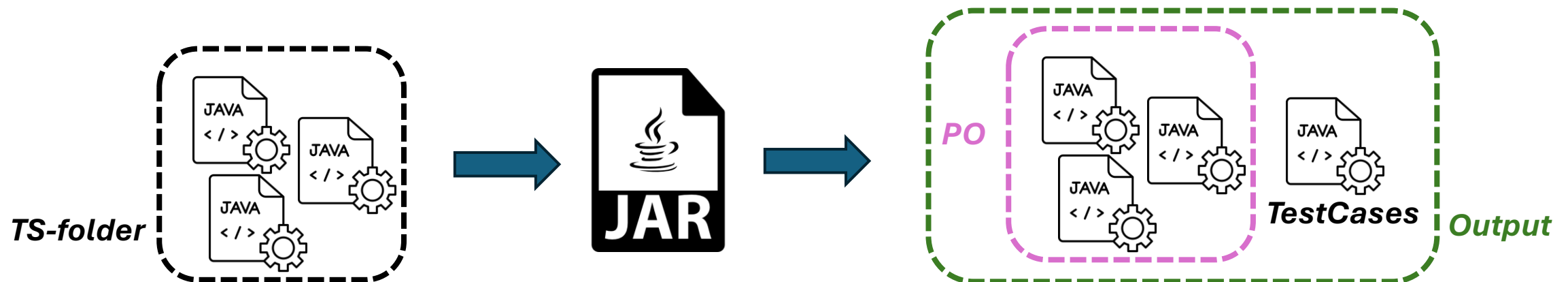


Save the files into a folder  
(e.g., **TS-folder**)



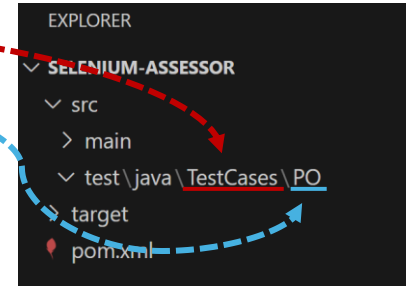
# Generate Files from Test Suite

- To generate executable test scripts + POs we will use the Assessor+ JAR file produced steps earlier
- Retrieve the JAR, then from cmd, execute: `java -jar assessor-1.0.0-jar-with-dependencies.jar path/to/TS-folder`
- Inside the target folder (***TS-folder*** in the example), an **Output** folder will be created with the TestCases and the Page Objects classes according to the annotations entered via Assessor+



# Import Files into Java Project

- For each Web app to test, import **TestCases** and **POs** into a new instance of VSCode *selenium-assessor* project
  - Place **TestCases** class under **test\java\TestCases** package
  - Place **POs** classes under **test\java\TestCases\PO** package



- Since *selenium-assessor* project refers via Maven to the most recent version of Selenium, which integrates the **Driver Manager** module, you will not have to set the path to the driver manually, thus you can remove the line in red under the **TestCases** class produced by Assessor

```
@BeforeClass()  
public static void setup() {  
    System.setProperty("webdriver.gecko.driver", "InsertGeckoPathHere");  
}
```

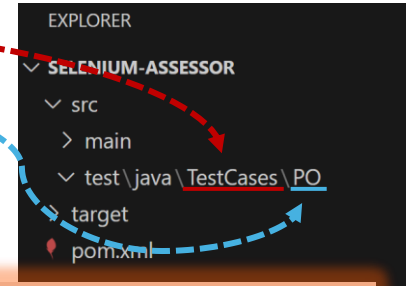
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- Since *selenium-assessor* project uses the **Driver Manager** module, you need to add the **Driver Manager** module to the `pom.xml` file under the **TestCases** class.

```
@BeforeClass()  
public static void setUp()  
{  
    System.out.println("Before Class");  
}
```

You can now run the automatically generated test cases & Page Objects. Keep in mind that some fixtures might still be needed!

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1. **Always read the Gherkin(s) before recording**
2. **Do manual fixtures when needed**
  - E.g., Check that the base URL to open the app is not empty
  - E.g., Remove some unwanted mouse over/clicks
  - E.g., Add some specific asserts or missed commands
3. **Do not record the browser closing**
4. **Keep assertions simple**
  - E.g., if it is stated in the Gherkin that an error message is displayed with a red background, or that such message is placed on the right in the GUI, just assert that the message exists
5. **Avoid using tabs to move between text boxes**
6. **Double check the recordings, test them, and clean up app data**

Even with these precautions, some manual fixtures over the test cases and PageObjects generated after the exporting might still be needed



# References

- Selenium Manager:  
[https://www.selenium.dev/documentation/selenium\\_manager/](https://www.selenium.dev/documentation/selenium_manager/)
- Setup Selenium WebDriver in VSCode:  
<https://funnelgarden.com/setup-selenium-with-java-on-visual-studio-code/>