# Selenium



### What is selenium?

Selenium is a browser automation tool. it is for automating web applications for testing purposes



#### Selenium WebDriver

If you want to create robust, browser-based regression automation suites and tests, scale and distribute scripts across many environments, then you want to use Selenium WebDriver, a collection of language specific bindings to drive a browser - the way it is meant to be driven.



#### Selenium IDE

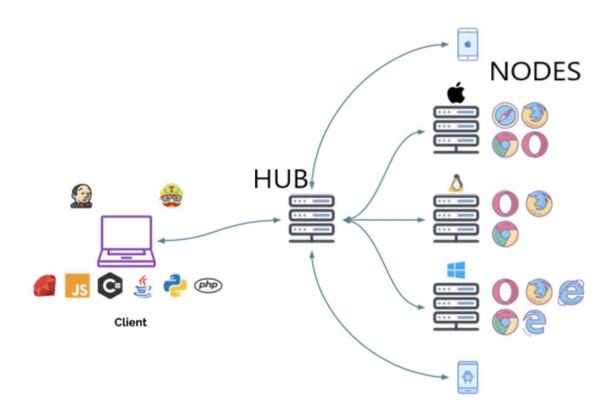
If you want to create quick bug reproduction scripts, create scripts to aid in automation-aided exploratory testing, then you want to use Selenium IDE; a Chrome, Firefox and Edge addon that will do simple record-and-playback of interactions with the browser.



#### Selenium Grid

If you want to scale by distributing and running tests on several machines and manage multiple environments from a central point, making it easy to run the tests against a vast combination of browsers/OS, then you want to use Selenium Grid.

## Selenium Grid



## **Advantages of Selenium**

- Selenium is an Open Source Software.
- Selenium supports various programming languages to write programs (Test scripts)
- Selenium supports various operating systems (MS Windows, Linux, Macintosh etc...)
- Selenium supports various Browsers (Mozilla Firefox, Google Chrome, IE, Opera, Safari etc...)
- Selenium supports Parallel Test Execution (With Grid)
- Selenium uses fewer Hardware resources.

## **Disadvantages of Selenium**

- No reliable Technical Support
- It supports Web-based applications only.
- Difficult to Setup Test Environment when it compares to Vendor Tools like Browserstack, Saucelabs
- Limited support for Image Testing.
- New features may not work properly.
- No Test Tool integration for Test Management.
- No Built-in Reporting facility.

# Assignment

Create a simple selenium webdriver script for browser / programming language of your choice

Step 1: Install selenium and its language binding of your choice

Step 3 : Create a simple test which launches the URL and then does a click somewhere