Software Engineering Methodologies Lecture 8 - WebDriver

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WebDriver

- Web browser remote control
 - for FireFox and Chrome
 - (and lots of other devices)
 - For lots of languages
 - (especially Python!)
 - For lots of uses
 - Testing
 - Automation
 - Prototyping

Basic Use

- Import the software
 - from selenium import webdriver
- Open the driver
 - driver = webdriver.Chrome()
- Send commands to the driver
 - (In a minute...)
- Close the driver
 - driver.close()
 - driver.quit()

Finding Elements

- Find by ID
 - element = driver.find_element_by_id("my-id")
- Find by text
 - element = driver.find_element_by_link_text("OK")
- Find by tag
 - table.find_elements_by_tag_name("th")
- Find by xpath
 - element = driver.find_element_by_xpath(...)

Sending Input

- Mouse clicks...
 - element.click()
- Sending keypresses...
 - element.send_keys("some text")
- Clearing entries
 - element.clear()
- Submitting forms...
 - − element.submit() ← moves up the DOM

Alerts

- Verify alert text
 - Alert(driver).text
- Accept alert
 - Alert(driver).accept()
- Dismiss alert
 - Alert(driver).dismiss()
- Enter text
 - Alert(driver).send_keys()

Demo Time

Resources

 http://selenium-python.readthedocs.org/en/ latest/getting-started.html

 http://selenium-python.readthedocs.org/en/ latest/index.html

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