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## Abstract

WebDriver is a remote control interface that enables introspection and control of user agents. It provides a platform- and language-neutral wire protocol as a way for out-of-process programs to remotely instruct the behavior of web browsers.

Provided is a set of interfaces to discover and manipulate DOM elements in web documents and to control the behavior of a user agent. It is primarily intended to allow web authors to write tests that

automate a user agent from a separate controlling process, but may also be used in such a way as to allow in-browser scripts to control a — possibly separate — browser.

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## 1. Conformance

All diagrams, examples, and notes in this specification are non-normative, as are all sections explicitly marked non-normative. Everything else in this specification is normative.

The key words “*MUST*”, “*MUST NOT*”, “*REQUIRED*”, “*SHOULD*”, “*SHOULD NOT*”, “*RECOMMENDED*”, “*MAY*”, and “*OPTIONAL*” in the normative parts of this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119]. The key word “*OPTIONALLY*” in the normative parts of this document is to be interpreted with the same normative meaning as “*MAY*” and “*OPTIONAL*”.

Conformance requirements phrased as algorithms or specific steps may be implemented in any manner, so long as the end result is equivalent.

## 1.1 Dependencies

This specification relies on several other underlying specifications.

### Web App Security

The following terms are defined in the Content Security Policy Level 3 specification: [CSP3]

- *Directives*
- *Should block navigation response*

### DOM

The following terms are defined in the Document Object Model specification: [DOM]

- *Attribute*
- *compareDocumentPosition*
- *connected*
- *context object*
- *Descendant*
- *Document element*
- *Document*
- *DOCUMENT\_POSITION\_DISCONNECTED* (1)
- *Document type*
- *Document URL*
- *Element*
- *Equals*
- *Event*
- *Fire an event*
- *Get an attribute by name*
- *getAttribute*

- *getElementsByTagName*
- *hasAttribute*
- *HTMLCollection*
- *Inclusive descendant*
- *isTrusted*
- *Node document*
- *Node Length*
- *Node*
- *NodeList*
- *querySelectorAll*
- *querySelector*
- *tagName*
- *Text node*

The following attributes are defined in the Document Object Model specification: [\[DOM\]](#)

- *textContent attribute*

The following attributes are defined in the DOM Parsing and Serialisation specification: [\[DOM-PARSING\]](#)

- *innerHTML IDL attribute*
- *outerHTML IDL attribute*
- *serializeToString*

The following attributes are defined in the UI Events specification: [\[UI-EVENTS\]](#)

- *Activation trigger*
- *click event*
- *Keyboard event*
- *Keyboard event order*
- *keyDown event*
- *keyPress event*
- *keyUp event*
- *mouseDown event*
- *Mouse event*

- [\*Mouse event order\*](#)
- [\*mouseMove event\*](#)
- [\*mouseOver event\*](#)
- [\*mouseUp event\*](#)

The following attributes are defined in the UI Events Code specification: [\[UIEVENTS-CODE\]](#)

- [\*Keyboard event code tables\*](#)

The following attributes are defined in the UI Events Code specification: [\[UIEVENTS-KEY\]](#)

- [\*Keyboard modifier keys\*](#)

## DOM Parsing

The following terms are defined in the DOM Parsing and Serialization Specification: [\[DOMPARSING\]](#)

- [\*Fragment serializing algorithm\*](#)

## ECMAScript

The following terms are defined in the ECMAScript Language Specification: [\[ECMA-262\]](#)

- [\*Abrupt Completion\*](#)
- [\*Directive prologue\*](#)
- [\*Early error\*](#)
- [\*Function\*](#)
- [\*FunctionCreate\*](#)
- [\*FunctionBody\*](#)
- [\*Global environment\*](#)
- [\*Own property\*](#)
- [\*parseFloat\*](#)
- [\*realm\*](#)
- [\*Use strict directive\*](#)

This specification also presumes that you are able to call some of the [\*internal methods\*](#) from the ECMAScript Language Specification:

- [\*Call\*](#)
- [\*\[\[Class\]\]\*](#)



- [\*\[\[GetOwnProperty\]\]\*](#)
- [\*\[\[GetProperty\]\]\*](#)
- [\*Index of\*](#)
- [\*\[\[Put\]\]\*](#)
- [\*Substring\*](#)

The ECMAScript Language Specification also defines the following types, values, and operations that are used throughout this specification:

- [\*Array\*](#)
- [\*Boolean\*](#) type
- [\*List\*](#)
- [\*maximum safe integer\*](#)
- [\*Null\*](#)
- [\*Number\*](#)
- [\*Object\*](#)
- [\*\[\[Parse\]\]\*](#)
- [\*String\*](#)
- [\*\[\[Stringify\]\]\*](#)
- [\*ToInteger\*](#)
- [\*Undefined\*](#)

## Fetch

The following terms are defined in the WHATWG Fetch specification: [\[FETCH\]](#)

- [\*Body\*](#)
- [\*Header\*](#)
- [\*Header Name\*](#)
- [\*Header Value\*](#)
- [\*Local scheme\*](#)
- [\*Method\*](#)
- [\*Response\*](#)
- [\*Request\*](#)
- [\*Set Header\*](#)
- [\*HTTP Status\*](#)

- [\*Status message\*](#)

## Fullscreen

The following terms are defined in the WHATWG Fullscreen specification: [\[FULLSCREEN\]](#)

- [\*Fullscreen element\*](#)
- [\*Fullscreen an element\*](#)
- [\*Fullscreen is supported\*](#)
- [\*fully exit fullscreen\*](#)
- [\*unfullscreen a document\*](#)

## HTML

The following terms are defined in the HTML specification: [\[HTML\]](#)

- [\*2D context creation algorithm\*](#)
- [\*A browsing context is discarded\*](#)
- [\*A serialization of the bitmap as a file\*](#)
- [\*API value\*](#)
- [\*Active document\*](#)
- *Active element* being the [activeElement](#) attribute on [Document](#)
- [\*Associated window\*](#)
- [\*body element\*](#)
- [\*Boolean attribute\*](#)
- [\*Browsing context\*](#)
- [\*Button\*](#) state
- [\*Buttons\*](#)
- [\*Candidate for constraint validation\*](#)
- [\*Canvas context mode\*](#)
- [\*Checkbox\*](#) state
- [\*Checkedness\*](#)
- [\*Child browsing context\*](#)
- [\*Clean up after running a callback\*](#)
- [\*Clean up after running a script\*](#)
- [\*Close a browsing context\*](#)
- [\*Code entry-point\*](#)

- *Cookie-averse **Document** object*
- *Current entry*
- *Dirty checkedness flag*
- *Dirty value flag*
- *Disabled*
- *Document address*
- *Document readiness*
- *Document title*
- *Element contexts*
- *Enumerated attribute*
- *Environment settings object*
- *Event loop*
- *File* state
- *File upload state*
- *Focusing steps*
- *Focusable area*
- ***[[GetOwnProperty]]** of a **Window** object*
- *Hidden* state
- *Image Button* state
- *In parallel*
- ***input** event applies*
- *Selected Files*
- *Joint session history*
- *Mature* navigation.
- *Missing value default state*
- *Mutable*
- *Navigate*
- *Navigator object*
- *Nested browsing context*
- *Origin-clean*
- *An overridden reload*

- [Parent browsing context](#)
- [HTML Pause](#)
- [Prepare to run a callback](#)
- [Prepare to run a script](#)
- [Prompt to unload a document](#)
- [Radio Button](#) state
- [Raw value](#)
- [Refresh state pragma directive](#)
- [Reset algorithm](#)
- [Resettable](#) element
- [Resettable element](#)
- [Run the animation frame callbacks](#)
- [Satisfies its constraints](#)
- [Script](#)
- [Script execution environment](#)
- [Selectedness](#)
- [Session history](#)
- [Settings object](#)
- [Simple dialogs](#)
- [Submit Button](#) state
- [Submittable elements](#)
- [Suffering from bad input](#)
- [Top-level browsing context](#)
- [Traverse the history](#)
- [Traverse the history by a delta](#)
- [Tree order](#)
- [unfocusing steps](#)
- [User prompt](#)
- [Value](#)
- [Value mode flag](#)
- [Value sanitization algorithm](#)

- Window object
- WindowProxy exotic object
- WorkerNavigator object
- setSelectionRange
- window.confirm
- window.alert
- window.prompt

The HTML specification also defines a number of elements which this specification has special-cased behavior for:

- a element
- area element
- canvas element
- datalist element
- frame element
- html element
- iframe element
- input element
- map element
- optgroup element
- option element
- output element
- select element
- textarea element

The HTML specification also defines *states* of the input element:

- Color state
- Date state
- Email state
- Local Date and Time state
- Month state
- Number state
- Password state

- [\*Range state\*](#)
- [\*Telephone state\*](#)
- [\*Text and Search state\*](#)
- [\*Time state\*](#)
- [\*URL state\*](#)
- [\*Week state\*](#)

The HTML specification also defines a range of different attributes:

- [\*canvas's height attribute\*](#)
- [\*canvas' width attribute\*](#)
- [\*Checked\*](#)
- [\*multiple attribute\*](#)
- [\*readOnly attribute\*](#)
- [\*type attribute\*](#)
- [\*value attribute\*](#)

The HTML Editing APIs specification defines the following terms: [\[EDITING\]](#)

- [\*Content editable\*](#)
- [\*Editing host\*](#)

The following events are also defined in the HTML specification:

- [\*beforeunload\*](#)
- [\*change\*](#)
- [\*DOMContentLoaded\*](#)
- [\*input\*](#)
- [\*Load\*](#)
- [\*pageHide\*](#)
- [\*pageShow\*](#)

The “data” URL scheme specification defines the following terms: [\[RFC2397\]](#)

- [\*data: URL\*](#)

## HTTP and related specifications

To be **HTTP compliant**, it is supposed that the implementation supports the relevant subsets of [\[RFC7230\]](#), [\[RFC7231\]](#), [\[RFC7232\]](#), [\[RFC7234\]](#), and [\[RFC7235\]](#).

The following terms are defined in the Cookie specification: [\[RFC6265\]](#)

- [\*Compute cookie-string\*](#)
- [\*Cookie\*](#)
- [\*Cookie store\*](#)
- [\*Receives a cookie\*](#)

The following terms are defined in the Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP) Status Code Registry:

- [\*Status code registry\*](#)

The following terms are defined in the Netscape Navigator Proxy Auto-Config File Format:

- [\*Proxy autoconfiguration\*](#)

The specification uses *URI Templates*. [\[URI-TEMPLATE\]](#)

## Infra

The following terms are defined in the Infra standard: [\[INFRA\]](#)

- [\*ASCII lowercase\*](#)
- [\*JavaScript string's length\*](#)
- [\*queue\*](#)

## Interaction

The following terms are defined in the Page Visibility Specification [\[PAGE-VISIBILITY\]](#)

- [\*Visibility state hidden\*](#)
- *Visibility state* being the [visibilityState](#) attribute on [Document](#)
- [\*Visibility state visible\*](#)

## Selenium

The following functions are defined within the [Selenium](#) project, at revision [1721e627e3b5ab90a06e82df1b088a33a8d11c20](#).

- [\*bot.dom.getVisibleText\*](#)
- [\*bot.dom.isShown\*](#)

## Styling

The following terms are defined in the CSS Values and Units Module Level 3 specification: [\[CSS3-VALUES\]](#)

- [\*CSS pixels\*](#)

The following properties are defined in the CSS Basic Box Model Level 3 specification:

[\[CSS3-BOX\]](#)

- The *visibility* property

The following terms are defined in the CSS Device Adaptation Module Level 1 specification:

[\[CSS-DEVICE-ADAPT\]](#)

- *Initial viewport*, sometimes here referred to as the *viewport*.

The following properties are defined in the CSS Display Module Level 3 specification:

[\[CSS3-DISPLAY\]](#)

- The *display* property

The following terms are defined in the Geometry Interfaces Module Level 1 specification:

[\[GEOMETRY-1\]](#)

- *DOMRect*
- *Rectangle*
- *Rectangle height dimension*
- *Rectangle width dimension*
- *Rectangle x coordinate*
- *Rectangle y coordinate*

The following terms are defined in the CSS Cascading and Inheritance Level 4 specification:

[\[CSS-CASCADE-4\]](#)

- *Computed value*

The following terms are defined in the CSS Object Model: [\[CSSOM\]](#):

- *Resolved value*

The following functions are defined in the CSSOM View Module: [\[CSSOM-VIEW\]](#):

- *getBoundingClientRect*
- *Element from point* as *elementFromPoint()*
- *Elements from point* as *elementsFromPoint()*
- *getClientRects*
- *innerHeight*
- *innerWidth*



- [\*moveTo\(x, y\)\*](#)
- [\*offsetLeft\*](#)
- [\*offsetParent\*](#)
- [\*offsetTop\*](#)
- [\*outerHeight\*](#)
- [\*outerWidth\*](#)
- [\*screenX\*](#)
- [\*screenY\*](#)
- [\*scrollX\*](#)
- [\*scrollY\*](#)
- [\*scrollIntoView\*](#)
- [\*ScrollIntoViewOptions\*](#)
- [\*Logical scroll position "block"\*](#)
- [\*Logical scroll position "inline"\*](#)

### SOCKS Proxy and related specification:

To be *SOCKS Proxy* and *SOCKS authentication* compliant, it is supposed that the implementation supports the relevant subsets of [\[RFC1928\]](#) and [\[RFC1929\]](#).

### Unicode

The following terms are defined in the standard: [\[Unicode\]](#)

- [\*Code Point\*](#)
- [\*Extended grapheme cluster\*](#)

### Unicode Standard Annex #29

The following terms are defined in the standard: [\[UAX29\]](#)

- [\*Grapheme cluster boundaries\*](#)

### Unicode Standard Annex #44

The following terms are defined in the standard: [\[UAX44\]](#)

- [\*Unicode character property\*](#)

### URLs

The following terms are defined in the WHATWG URL standard: [\[URL\]](#)

- [\*Absolute URL\*](#)
- [\*Absolute URL with fragment\*](#)

- [\*Default port\*](#)
- [\*Domain\*](#)
- [\*Host\*](#)
- [\*Includes credentials\*](#)
- [\*IPv4 address\*](#)
- [\*IPv6 address\*](#)
- [\*Is special\*](#)
- [\*Path-absolute URL\*](#)
- [\*Path\*](#)
- [\*Port\*](#)
- [\*URL\*](#)
- [\*URL serializer\*](#)

## Web IDL

The IDL fragments in this specification must be interpreted as required for conforming IDL fragments, as described in the Web IDL specification. [\[WEBIDL\]](#)

- [\*DOMException\*](#)
- [\*Sequence\*](#)
- [\*Supported property indices\*](#)
- [\*SyntaxError\*](#)

## Promises Guide

The following terms are defined in the Promises Guide. [\[PROMISES-GUIDE\]](#)

- [\*A new promise\*](#)
- [\*Promise-calling\*](#)
- [\*reject\*](#)
- [\*resolve\*](#)

## XML Namespaces

The following terms are defined in the Namespaces in XML [\[XML-NAMES\]](#)

- [\*qualified element name\*](#)

## XPATH

The following terms are defined in the Document Object Model XPath standard [\[XPATH\]](#)

- [\*evaluate\*](#)

- [ORDERED\\_NODE\\_SNAPSHOT\\_TYPE](#)
- [snapshotItem](#)
- [XPathException](#)

## 2. Design Notes

*This section is non-normative*

The WebDriver standard attempts to follow a number of design goals:

### 2.1 Compatibility

This specification is derived from the popular [Selenium WebDriver](#) browser automation framework. Selenium is a long-lived project, and due to its age and breadth of use it has a wide range of expected functionality. This specification uses these expectations to inform its design. Where improvements or clarifications have been made, they have been made with care to allow existing users of Selenium WebDriver to avoid unexpected breakages.

### 2.2 Simplicity

The largest intended group of users of this specification are software developers and testers writing automated tests and other tooling, such as monitoring or load testing, that relies on automating a browser. As such, care has been taken to provide commands that simplify common tasks such as [typing into](#) and [clicking](#) elements.

### 2.3 Extensions

WebDriver provides a mechanism for others to define extensions to the protocol for the purposes of automating functionality that cannot be implemented entirely in [ECMAScript](#). This allows other web standards to support the automation of new platform features. It also allows vendors to expose functionality that is specific to their browser.

## 3. Terminology

In equations, all numbers are integers, addition is represented by “+”, subtraction is represented by “-”, and bitwise OR by “|”. The characters “(” and “)” are used to provide logical grouping in these contexts.

The shorthand ***min***(*value*, *value*[, *value*]) returns the smallest item of two or more values. Conversely, the shorthand ***max***(*value*, *value*[, *value*]) returns the largest item of two or more values.

A ***Universally Unique Identifier (UUID)*** is a 128 bits long URN that requires no central registration process. [RFC4122]. ***Generating a UUID*** means Creating a [UUID](#) From Truly Random or Pseudo-Random Numbers [RFC4122], and converting it to the string representation [RFC4122].

The ***Unix Epoch*** is a value that approximates the number of seconds that have elapsed since the Epoch, as described by The Open Group Base Specifications Issue 7 [section 4.15](#) (IEEE Std 1003.1).

An ***integer*** is a [Number](#) that is unchanged under the [ToInteger](#) operation.

The ***initial value*** of an ECMAScript property is the value defined by the platform for that property, i.e. the value it would have in the absence of any shadowing by content script.

The ***browser chrome*** is a non-normative term to refer to the representation through which the user interacts with the user agent itself, as distinct from the accessed web content. Examples of ***browser chrome elements*** include, but are not limited to, toolbars (such as the bookmark toolbar), menus (such as the file or context menu), buttons (such as the back and forward buttons), door hangers (such as security and certificate indicators), and decorations (such as operating system widget borders).

## 4. Interface

The ***webdriver-active flag*** is set to true when the user agent is under remote control. It is initially false.

### WebIDL

[Navigator](#) includes [NavigatorAutomationInformation](#);

Note that the [NavigatorAutomationInformation](#) interface should not be exposed on [WorkerNavigator](#).

### WebIDL

```
interface mixin NavigatorAutomationInformation {
  readonly attribute boolean webdriver;
};
```

## **webdriver**

Returns true if [webdriver-active flag](#) is set, false otherwise.

### EXAMPLE 1

For web authors (non-normative):

#### **[navigator.webdriver](#)**

Defines a standard way for co-operating user agents to inform the document that it is controlled by WebDriver, for example so that alternate code paths can be triggered during automation.

## 5. Nodes

The WebDriver protocol consists of communication between:

### **Local end**

The local end represents the client side of the protocol, which is usually in the form of language-specific libraries providing an API on top of the WebDriver [protocol](#). This specification does not place any restrictions on the details of those libraries above the level of the wire protocol.

### **Remote end**

The remote end hosts the server side of the [protocol](#). Defining the behavior of a remote end in response to the WebDriver protocol forms the largest part of this specification.

For [remote ends](#) the standard defines two broad conformance classes, known as **node types**:

### **Intermediary node**

Intermediary nodes are those that act as proxies, implementing both the [local end](#) and [remote end](#) of the [protocol](#). However they are not expected to implement [remote end steps](#) directly. All nodes between a specific [intermediary node](#) and a [local end](#) are said to be **downstream** of that node. Conversely, any nodes between a specific [intermediary node](#) and an [endpoint node](#) are said to be **upstream**.

### **Endpoint node**

An endpoint node is the final [remote end](#) in a chain of nodes that is not an [intermediary node](#). The endpoint node is implemented by a user agent or a similar program.

All remote end [node types](#) must be black-box indistinguishable from a [remote end](#), from the point of view of [local end](#), and so are bound by the requirements on a [remote end](#) in terms of the wire protocol.

A [remote end](#)'s **readiness state** is the value corresponding to the first matching statement:

- ↪ the maximum active sessions is equal to the length of the list of active sessions
- ↪ the node is an intermediary node and is known to be in a state in which attempting to create a new session would fail

False

- ↪ Otherwise

True

If the intermediary node is a multiplexer that manages multiple endpoint nodes, this might indicate its ability to purvey more sessions, for example if it has hit its maximum capacity.

## 6. Protocol

WebDriver remote ends must provide an HTTP compliant wire protocol where the endpoints map to different commands.

As this standard only defines the remote end protocol, it puts no demands to how local ends should be implemented. Local ends are only expected to be compatible to the extent that they can speak the remote end's protocol; no requirements are made upon their exposed user-facing API.

### 6.1 Algorithms

Various parts of this specification are written in terms of step-by-step algorithms. The details of these algorithms do not have any normative significance; implementations are free to adopt any implementation strategy that produces equivalent output to the specification. In particular, algorithms in this document are optimised for readability rather than performance.

Where algorithms that return values are fallible, they are written in terms of returning either **success** or **error**. A success value has an associated *data* field which encapsulates the value returned, whereas an error response has an associated error code.

When calling a fallible algorithm, the construct “Let *result* be the result of **trying** to call *algorithm*” is equivalent to

1. Let *temp* be the result of calling *algorithm*.
2. If *temp* is an error return *temp*, otherwise let *result* be *temp*'s *data* field.

The result of **getting a property** with argument *name* is defined as being the same as the result of calling Object.[[GetOwnProperty]](*name*).

**Setting a property** with arguments *name* and *value* is defined as being the same as calling Object.[[Put]](*name*, *value*).

The result of **JSON serialization** with *object* of type JSON [Object](#) is defined as the result of calling `JSON.\[\[Stringify\]\](object)`.

The result of **JSON deserialization** with *text* is defined as the result of calling `JSON.\[\[Parse\]\](text)`.

## 6.2 Commands

The WebDriver protocol is organised into [commands](#). Each [HTTP request](#) with a method and template defined in this specification represents a single **command**, and therefore each command produces a single [HTTP response](#). In response to a [command](#), a [remote end](#) will run a series of actions against the browser.

Each [command](#) defined in this specification has an associated list of **remote end steps**. This provides the sequence of actions that a [remote end](#) takes when it receives a particular [command](#).

## 6.3 Processing Model

The [remote end](#) is an HTTP server reading requests from the client and writing responses, typically over a TCP socket. For the purposes of this specification we model the data transmission between a particular [local end](#) and [remote end](#) with a **connection** to which the [remote end](#) may **write bytes** and **read bytes**. However the exact details of how this [connection](#) works and how it is established are out of scope.

After such a [connection](#) has been established, a [remote end](#) *MUST* run the following steps:

1. [Read bytes](#) from the [connection](#) until a complete [HTTP request](#) can be constructed from the data. Let *request* be a [request](#) constructed from the received data, according to the requirements of [\[RFC7230\]](#). If it is not possible to construct a complete [HTTP request](#), the [remote end](#) must either close the [connection](#), return an HTTP response with status code 500, or return an [error](#) with [error code unknown error](#).
2. Let *request match* be the result of the algorithm to [match a request](#) with *request*'s [method](#) and [URL](#) as arguments.
3. If *request match* is of type [error](#), [send an error](#) with *request match*'s [error code](#) and jump to step 1.

Otherwise, let *command* and *command parameters* be *request match*'s data. Let *url variables* be a [url variables](#) dictionary mapping the *command parameters* to their corresponding values.

4. If *session id* is among the variables defined by *command parameters*:

## NOTE

This condition is intended to exclude the [New Session](#) and [Status commands](#) and any [extension commands](#) which do not operate on a particular [session](#).

1. Let *session id* be the corresponding variable from *command parameters*.
2. Let the [current session](#) be the [session](#) with [ID session id](#) in the list of [active sessions](#), or [null](#) if there is no such matching [session](#).
3. If the [current session](#) is [null](#) [send an error](#) with [error code invalid session id](#), then jump to step 1 in this overall algorithm.
4. If the [current session](#) is not [null](#):
  1. Enqueue *request* in the [current session's request queue](#).
  2. Wait until the first element in the [current session's request queue](#) is *request*:
  3. Dequeue *request* from the [current session's request queue](#).
  4. If the list of [active sessions](#) no longer contains the [current session](#), set the [current session](#) to [null](#).
5. If *request's method* is POST:
  1. Let *parse result* be the result of [parsing as JSON](#) with *request's body* as the argument. If this process throws an exception, return an [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#) and jump back to step 1 in this overall algorithm.
  2. If *parse result* is not an [Object](#), [send an error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#) and jump back to step 1 in this overall algorithm.

Otherwise, let *parameters* be *parse result*.

Otherwise, let *parameters* be [null](#).
6. [Wait for navigation to complete](#). If this returns an [error return its value](#) and jump to step 1 in this overall algorithm, otherwise continue.
7. Let *response result* be the return value obtained by running the [remote end steps](#) for *command* with an argument named *url variables* whose value is *url variables* and an additional argument named *parameters* whose value is *parameters*.
8. If *response result* is an [error](#), [send an error](#) with [error code](#) equal to *response result's error code* and jump back to step 1 in this overall algorithm.



Otherwise, if *response result* is a [success](#), let *response data* be *response result*'s data.

9. [Send a response](#) with status 200 and *response data*.

10. Jump to step 1.

When required to **send an error**, with *error code* and an optional *error data* dictionary, a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. Let *http status* and *name* be the [error response data](#) for *error code*.
2. Let *message* be an implementation-defined string containing a human-readable description of the reason for the error.
3. Let *stacktrace* be an implementation-defined string containing a stack trace report of the active stack frames at the time when the error occurred.

Let *body* be a new JSON [Object](#) initialised with the following properties:

```
"error"
  name

"message"
  message

"stacktrace"
  stacktrace
```

4. If the [error data](#) dictionary contains any entries, set the **"data"** field on *body* to a new JSON [Object](#) populated with the dictionary.
5. [Send a response](#) with *status* and *body* as arguments.

When required to **send a response**, with arguments *status* and *data*, a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. Let *response* be a new [response](#).
2. Set *response*'s [HTTP status](#) to *status*, and [status message](#) to the string corresponding to the description of *status* in the [status code registry](#).
3. [Set](#) the *response*'s [header](#) with [name](#) and [value](#) with the following values:

```
Content-Type
  "application/json; charset=utf-8"

Cache-Control
  "no-cache"
```

4. Let *response*'s body be a JSON Object with a key "**value**" set to the JSON serialization of *data*.
5. Let *response bytes* be the byte sequence resulting from serializing *response* according to the rules in [RFC7230].
6. Write *response bytes* to the connection.

A ***url variable*** dictionary is defined as the mapping of a command's URI template variable names to their corresponding values.

## 6.4 Routing Requests

***Request routing*** is the process of going from a HTTP request to the series of steps needed to implement the command represented by that request.

A remote end has an associated ***URL prefix***, which is used as a prefix on all WebDriver-defined URLs on that remote end. This must either be undefined or a path-absolute URL.

### EXAMPLE 2

For example a remote end wishing to run alongside other services on **example.com** might set its URL prefix to **/wd** so that a new session command would be invoked by sending a POST request to **/wd/session**, rather than **/session**.

In order to ***match a request*** given a method and URL, the following steps must be taken:

1. Let *endpoints* be a list containing each row in the table of endpoints.
2. Remove each entry from *endpoints* for which the concatenation of the URL prefix and the entry's URI template does not match *URL*'s path.
3. If there are no entries in *endpoints*, return error with error code unknown command.
4. Remove each entry in *endpoints* for which the *method* column is not an exact case-sensitive match for *method*.
5. If there are no entries in *endpoints*, return error with error code unknown method.
6. There is now exactly one entry in *endpoints*; let *entry* be this entry.
7. Let *parameters* be the result of extracting the variables from *URL* using *entry*'s URI template.
8. Let *command* be *entry*'s command.

9. Return [success](#) with data *command* and *parameters*.

## 6.5 List of Endpoints

The following ***table of endpoints*** lists the [method](#) and [URI template](#) for each [endpoint node command](#). [Extension commands](#) are implicitly appended to this table.

Method	URI Template	Command
POST	/session	<a href="#"><u>New Session</u></a>
DELETE	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }	<a href="#"><u>Delete Session</u></a>
GET	/status	<a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/timeouts	<a href="#"><u>Get Timeouts</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/timeouts	<a href="#"><u>Set Timeouts</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/url	<a href="#"><u>Navigate To</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/url	<a href="#"><u>Get Current URL</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/back	<a href="#"><u>Back</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/forward	<a href="#"><u>Forward</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/refresh	<a href="#"><u>Refresh</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/title	<a href="#"><u>Get Title</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window	<a href="#"><u>Get Window Handle</u></a>
DELETE	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window	<a href="#"><u>Close Window</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window	<a href="#"><u>Switch To Window</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window/handles	<a href="#"><u>Get Window Handles</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/frame	<a href="#"><u>Switch To Frame</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/frame/parent	<a href="#"><u>Switch To Parent Frame</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window/rect	<a href="#"><u>Get Window Rect</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window/rect	<a href="#"><u>Set Window Rect</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window/maximize	<a href="#"><u>Maximize Window</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window/minimize	<a href="#"><u>Minimize Window</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window/fullscreen	<a href="#"><u>Fullscreen Window</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/active	<a href="#"><u>Get Active Element</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element	<a href="#"><u>Find Element</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/elements	<a href="#"><u>Find Elements</u></a>

POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/element	<a href="#"><u>Find Element From Element</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/elements	<a href="#"><u>Find Elements From Element</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/selected	<a href="#"><u>Is Element Selected</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/attribute/{ <i>name</i> }	<a href="#"><u>Get Element Attribute</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/property/{ <i>name</i> }	<a href="#"><u>Get Element Property</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/css/{ <i>property name</i> }	<a href="#"><u>Get Element CSS Value</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/text	<a href="#"><u>Get Element Text</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/name	<a href="#"><u>Get Element Tag Name</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/rect	<a href="#"><u>Get Element Rect</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/enabled	<a href="#"><u>Is Element Enabled</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/click	<a href="#"><u>Element Click</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/clear	<a href="#"><u>Element Clear</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/value	<a href="#"><u>Element Send Keys</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/source	<a href="#"><u>Get Page Source</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/execute/sync	<a href="#"><u>Execute Script</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/execute/async	<a href="#"><u>Execute Async Script</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/cookie	<a href="#"><u>Get All Cookies</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/cookie/{ <i>name</i> }	<a href="#"><u>Get Named Cookie</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/cookie	<a href="#"><u>Add Cookie</u></a>
DELETE	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/cookie/{ <i>name</i> }	<a href="#"><u>Delete Cookie</u></a>
DELETE	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/cookie	<a href="#"><u>Delete All Cookies</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/actions	<a href="#"><u>Perform Actions</u></a>
DELETE	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/actions	<a href="#"><u>Release Actions</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/alert/dismiss	<a href="#"><u>Dismiss Alert</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/alert/accept	<a href="#"><u>Accept Alert</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/alert/text	<a href="#"><u>Get Alert Text</u></a>
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/alert/text	<a href="#"><u>Send Alert Text</u></a>
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/screenshot	<a href="#"><u>Take Screenshot</u></a>

GET      /session/{*session id*}/element/{*element id*}/screenshot      [Take Element Screenshot](#)

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## 6.6 Handling Errors

[Errors](#) are represented in the WebDriver protocol by an [HTTP response](#) with an [HTTP status](#) in the 4xx or 5xx range, and a JSON body containing details of the [error](#). The body is a JSON [Object](#) and has a field named "**value**" whose value is an object bearing three, and sometimes four, fields:

- "**error**", containing a string indicating the [error code](#).
- "**message**", containing an implementation-defined string with a human readable description of the kind of error that occurred.
- "**stacktrace**", containing an implementation-defined string with a stack trace report of the active stack frames at the time when the error occurred.
- Optionally "**data**", which is a JSON [Object](#) with additional [error data](#) helpful in diagnosing the error.

EXAMPLE 3

A **GET** request to `/session/1234/url`, where `1234` is not the [session id](#) of a [current session](#) would return an [HTTP response](#) with the status 404 and a body of the form:

```
{
  "value": {
    "error": "invalid session id",
    "message": "No active session with ID 1234",
    "stacktrace": ""
  }
}
```

Certain commands may also annotate [errors](#) with additional [error data](#). Notably, this is the case for commands which invoke the [user prompt handler](#), where the [user prompt message](#) may be included in a `"text"` field:

```
{
  "value": {
    "error": "unexpected alert open",
    "message": "",
    "stacktrace": "",
    "data": {
      "text": "Message from window.alert"
    }
  }
}
```

The following table lists each *error code*, its associated [HTTP status](#), JSON *error code*, and a non-normative description of the error. The *error response data* for a particular [error code](#) is the values of the *HTTP Status* and *JSON Error Code* columns for the row corresponding to that [error code](#).

Error Code	HTTP Status	JSON Error Code	Description
<i>element click intercepted</i>	400	<i>element click intercepted</i>	The <a href="#">Element Click command</a> could not be completed because the <a href="#">element</a> receiving the events is <a href="#">obscuring</a> the element that was requested clicked.
<i>element not interactable</i>	400	<i>element not interactable</i>	A <a href="#">command</a> could not be completed because the element is not <a href="#">pointer-</a> or <a href="#">keyboard interactable</a> .
<i>insecure certificate</i>	400	<i>insecure certificate</i>	<a href="#">Navigation</a> caused the user agent to hit a certificate warning, which is usually the result of an expired or

invalid TLS certificate.

<i>invalid argument</i>	400	invalid argument	The arguments passed to a <a href="#">command</a> are either invalid or malformed.
<i>invalid cookie domain</i>	400	invalid cookie domain	An illegal attempt was made to set a cookie under a different domain than the current page.
<i>invalid element state</i>	400	invalid element state	A <a href="#">command</a> could not be completed because the element is in an invalid state, e.g. attempting to <a href="#">clear</a> an element that isn't both <a href="#">editable</a> and <a href="#">resettable</a> .
<i>invalid selector</i>	400	invalid selector	Argument was an invalid selector.
<i>invalid session id</i>	404	invalid session id	Occurs if the given <a href="#">session id</a> is not in the list of <a href="#">active sessions</a> , meaning the <a href="#">session</a> either does not exist or that it's not active.
<i>javascript error</i>	500	javascript error	An error occurred while executing JavaScript supplied by the user.
<i>move target out of bounds</i>	500	move target out of bounds	The target for mouse interaction is not in the browser's viewport and cannot be brought into that viewport.
<i>no such alert</i>	404	no such alert	An attempt was made to operate on a modal dialog when one was not open.
<i>no such cookie</i>	404	no such cookie	No cookie matching the given path name was found amongst the <a href="#">associated cookies</a> of the <a href="#">current browsing context</a> 's <a href="#">active document</a> .
<i>no such element</i>	404	no such element	An element could not be located on the page using the given search parameters.
<i>no such frame</i>	404	no such frame	A <a href="#">command</a> to switch to a frame could not be satisfied because the frame could not be found.
<i>no such window</i>	404	no such window	A <a href="#">command</a> to switch to a window could not be satisfied because the window could not be found.
<i>script timeout</i>	408	script timeout	A script did not complete before its timeout expired.
<i>session not created</i>	500	session not created	A new <a href="#">session</a> could not be created.
<i>stale element reference</i>	404	stale element reference	A <a href="#">command</a> failed because the referenced <a href="#">element</a> is no longer attached to the DOM.

<b><i>timeout</i></b>	408	<b>timeout</b>	An operation did not complete before its timeout expired.
<b><i>unable to set cookie</i></b>	500	<b>unable to set cookie</b>	A <a href="#">command</a> to set a cookie's value could not be satisfied.
<b><i>unable to capture screen</i></b>	500	<b>unable to capture screen</b>	A screen capture was made impossible.
<b><i>unexpected alert open</i></b>	500	<b>unexpected alert open</b>	A modal dialog was open, blocking this operation.
<b><i>unknown command</i></b>	404	<b>unknown command</b>	A <a href="#">command</a> could not be executed because the <a href="#">remote end</a> is not aware of it.
<b><i>unknown error</i></b>	500	<b>unknown error</b>	An unknown error occurred in the <a href="#">remote end</a> while processing the <a href="#">command</a> .
<b><i>unknown method</i></b>	405	<b>unknown method</b>	The requested <a href="#">command</a> matched a known URL but did not match an method for that URL.
<b><i>unsupported operation</i></b>	500	<b>unsupported operation</b>	Indicates that a <a href="#">command</a> that should have executed properly cannot be supported for some reason.

An ***error data*** dictionary is a mapping of string keys to JSON serializable values that can optionally be included with [error](#) objects.

## 6.7 Protocol Extensions

Using the terminology defined in this section, others may define additional commands that seamlessly integrate with the standard protocol. This allows vendors to expose functionality that is specific to their user agent, and it also allows other web standards to define commands for automating new platform features.

Commands defined in this way are called ***extension commands*** and behave no differently than other [commands](#); each has a dedicated HTTP endpoint and a set of [remote end steps](#).

Each [extension command](#) has an associated ***extension command URI Template*** that is a [URI Template](#) string, and which should bear some resemblance to what the command performs. This value, along with the HTTP method and [extension command](#), is added to the [table of endpoints](#) and thus follows the same rules for [request routing](#) as that of other built-in [commands](#).

In order to avoid potential resource conflicts with other implementations, vendor-specific [extension command URI Templates](#) must begin with one or more path segments which uniquely identifies the vendor and UA. It is suggested that vendors use their vendor prefixes without additional characters



as outlined in [CSS21], notably in [section 4.1.2.2 on vendor keywords](#), as the name for this path element, and include a vendor-chosen UA identifier.

#### NOTE

If the [extension command URI Template](#) includes a variable named *session id*, the value of this variable will be used to define the [current session](#) during command processing.

#### EXAMPLE 4

This might lead to a URL of the form `/session/5d376174-36f0-11e5-9b9a-6bdf200a3f7f/ms/edge/context`, where `session/{session id}` associates the request with the specified session, `ms/edge` identifies the command as specific to the Edge browser distributed by Microsoft, and `context` describes the functionality that, in the context of Edge, allows a [local end](#) to switch between browser-specific contexts. Requesting this URL will call the [extension command](#)'s [remote end steps](#).

[Remote ends](#) may also introduce *extension capabilities* that are extra [capabilities](#) used to provide configuration or fulfill other vendor-specific needs. Extension capabilities' key must contain a ":" (colon) character, denoting an implementation specific namespace. The value can be arbitrary JSON types.

As with [extension commands](#), it is suggested that the key used to denote the [extension capability](#) namespace is based on the [vendor keywords](#) listed in [CSS21] and precedes the first ":" character in the string.

**EXAMPLE 5**

[Extension capabilities](#) are typically used to provide UA or [intermediary node](#) specific configuration that is not handled by the [table of standard capabilities](#).

An example [new session](#) request body might look like this:

```
{
  "capabilities": {
    "alwaysMatch": {
      // browser specific configuration
      "<prefix>:browserOptions": {
        "binary": "/usr/bin/browser-binary",
        "args": ["--start-page=http://example.com"],
      }
    }
  }
}
```

## 7. Capabilities

WebDriver *capabilities* are used to communicate the features supported by a given implementation. The [local end](#) may use capabilities to define which features it requires the [remote end](#) to satisfy when creating a [new session](#). Likewise, the [remote end](#) uses capabilities to describe the full feature set for a [session](#).

The following *table of standard capabilities* enumerates the capabilities each implementation *MUST* support. An implementation *MAY* define additional [extension capabilities](#).

**EXAMPLE 6**

As an example, Mozilla could elect to hide new features behind capabilities with a "moz:" prefix:

```
{
  "browserName": "firefox",
  "browserVersion": "1234",
  "moz:experimental-webdriver": true
}
```

Capability	Key	Value Type	Description
<b><i>Browser name</i></b>	" <b>browserName</b> "	string	Identifies the user agent.
<b><i>Browser version</i></b>	" <b>browserVersion</b> "	string	Identifies the version of the user agent.
<b><i>Platform name</i></b>	" <b>platformName</b> "	string	Identifies the operating system of the <a href="#">endpoint node</a> .
<b><i>Accept insecure TLS certificates</i></b>	" <b>acceptInsecureCerts</b> "	boolean	Indicates whether untrusted and self-signed TLS certificates are implicitly trusted on <a href="#">navigation</a> for the duration of the <a href="#">session</a> .
<b><i>Page load strategy</i></b>	" <b>pageLoadStrategy</b> "	string	Defines the <a href="#">current session</a> 's <a href="#">page load strategy</a> .
Proxy configuration	" <b>proxy</b> "	JSON Object	Defines the <a href="#">current session</a> 's <a href="#">proxy configuration</a> .
<b><i>Window dimensioning/positioning</i></b>	" <b>setWindowRect</b> "	boolean	Indicates whether the remote end supports all of the <a href="#">commands</a> in <a href="#">Resizing and Positioning Windows</a> .
<a href="#">Session timeouts configuration</a>	" <b>timeouts</b> "	JSON Object	Describes the <a href="#">timeouts</a> imposed on certain session operations.
<b><i>Unhandled prompt behavior</i></b>	" <b>unhandledPromptBehavior</b> "	string	Describes the <a href="#">current session</a> 's <a href="#">user prompt handler</a> .

## 7.1 Proxy

The **proxy configuration** capability is a JSON [Object](#) nested within the primary [capabilities](#). Implementations may define additional proxy configuration options, but they must not alter the semantics of those listed below.

Key	Value Type	Description	Valid values
<b>proxyType</b>	string	Indicates the type of proxy configuration.	"pac", "direct", "autodetect", "system", or "manual".
<b>proxyAutoconfigUrl</b>	string	Defines the URL for a proxy auto-config file if <b>proxyType</b> is equal to "pac".	Any <a href="#">URL</a> .
<b>ftpProxy</b>	string	Defines the proxy <a href="#">host</a> for FTP traffic when the <b>proxyType</b> is "manual".	A <a href="#">host and optional port</a> for scheme "ftp".
<b>httpProxy</b>	string	Defines the proxy <a href="#">host</a> for HTTP traffic when the <b>proxyType</b> is "manual".	A <a href="#">host and optional port</a> for scheme "http".
<b>noProxy</b>	array	Lists the address for which the proxy should be bypassed when the <b>proxyType</b> is "manual".	A <a href="#">List</a> containing any number of <a href="#">Strings</a> .
<b>sslProxy</b>	string	Defines the proxy <a href="#">host</a> for encrypted TLS traffic when the <b>proxyType</b> is "manual".	A <a href="#">host and optional port</a> for scheme "https".
<b>socksProxy</b>	string	Defines the proxy <a href="#">host</a> for a <a href="#">SOCKS proxy</a> when the <b>proxyType</b> is "manual".	A <a href="#">host and optional port</a> with an <a href="#">undefined</a> scheme.
<b>socksVersion</b>	number	Defines the <a href="#">SOCKS proxy</a> version when the <b>proxyType</b> is "manual".	Any <a href="#">integer</a> between 0 and 255 inclusive.

A **host and optional port** for a *scheme* is defined as being a valid [host](#), optionally followed by a colon and a valid [port](#). The [host](#) may [include credentials](#). If the port is omitted and *scheme* has a [default port](#), this is the implied port. Otherwise, the port is left undefined.

A **proxyType** of "direct" indicates that the browser should not use a proxy at all.

A **proxyType** of "system" indicates that the browser should use the various proxies configured for the underlying Operating System.

A **proxyType** of "autodetect" indicates that the proxy to use should be detected in an implementation-specific way.

The remote end steps to *deserialize as a proxy* argument *parameter* are:

1. If *parameter* is not a JSON Object return an error with error code invalid argument.
2. Let *proxy* be a new, empty proxy configuration object.
3. For each enumerable own property in *parameter* run the following substeps:
  1. Let *key* be the name of the property.
  2. Let *value* be the result of getting a property named *name* from *parameter*.
  3. If there is no matching **key** for *key* in the proxy configuration table return an error with error code invalid argument.
  4. If *value* is not one of the **valid values** for that **key**, return an error with error code invalid argument.
  5. Set a property *key* to *value* on *proxy*.
4. If *proxy* does not have an own property for "**proxyType**" return an error with error code invalid argument.
5. If the result of getting a property named *proxyType* from *proxy* equals "**pac**", and *proxy* does not have an own property for "**proxyAutoconfigUrl**" return an error with error code invalid argument.
6. If *proxy* has an own property for "**socksProxy**" and does not have an own property for "**socksVersion**" return an error with error code invalid argument.
7. Return success with data *proxy*.

A **proxy configuration object** is a JSON Object where each of its own properties matching keys in the proxy configuration meets the validity criteria for that key.

## 7.2 Processing Capabilities

To *process capabilities* with argument *parameters*, the endpoint node must take the following steps:

1. Let *capabilities request* be the result of getting the property "**capabilities**" from *parameters*.

1. If *capabilities request* is not a JSON object, return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
2. Let *required capabilities* be the result of [getting the property](#) ["alwaysMatch"](#) from *capabilities request*.
  1. If *required capabilities* is [undefined](#), set the value to an empty JSON [Object](#).
  2. Let *required capabilities* be the result of [trying](#) to [validate capabilities](#) with argument *required capabilities*.
3. Let *all first match capabilities* be the result of [getting the property](#) ["firstMatch"](#) from *capabilities request*.
  1. If *all first match capabilities* is [undefined](#), set the value to a JSON [List](#) with a single entry of an empty JSON [Object](#).
  2. If *all first match capabilities* is not a JSON [List](#) with one or more entries, return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
4. Let *validated first match capabilities* be an empty JSON [List](#).
5. For each *first match capabilities* corresponding to an indexed property in *all first match capabilities*:
  1. Let *validated capabilities* be the result of [trying](#) to [validate capabilities](#) with argument *first match capabilities*.
  2. Append *validated capabilities* to *validated first match capabilities*.
6. Let *merged capabilities* be an empty [List](#).
7. For each *first match capabilities* corresponding to an indexed property in *validated first match capabilities*:
  1. Let *merged* be the result of [trying](#) to [merge capabilities](#) with *required capabilities* and *first match capabilities* as arguments.
  2. Append *merged* to *merged capabilities*.
8. For each *capabilities* corresponding to an indexed property in *merged capabilities*:
  1. Let *matched capabilities* be the result of [trying](#) to [match capabilities](#) with *capabilities* as an argument.
  2. If *matched capabilities* is not [null](#), return *matched capabilities*.
9. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

When required to *validate capabilities* with argument *capability*:

1. If *capability* is not a JSON [Object](#) return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
2. Let *result* be an empty JSON [Object](#).
3. For each enumerable [own property](#) in *capability*, run the following substeps:
  1. Let *name* be the name of the property.
  2. Let *value* be the result of [getting a property](#) named *name* from *capability*.
  3. Run the substeps of the first matching condition:
    - ↪ ***value* is [null](#)**  
Let *deserialized* be set to [null](#).
    - ↪ ***name* equals ["acceptInsecureCerts"](#)**  
If *value* is not a [boolean](#) return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).  
Otherwise, let *deserialized* be set to *value*
    - ↪ ***name* equals ["browserName"](#)**
    - ↪ ***name* equals ["browserVersion"](#)**
    - ↪ ***name* equals ["platformName"](#)**  
If *value* is not a [string](#) return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).  
Otherwise, let *deserialized* be set to *value*.
    - ↪ ***name* equals ["pageLoadStrategy"](#)**  
Let *deserialized* be the result of [trying](#) to [deserialize as a page load strategy](#) with argument *value*.
    - ↪ ***name* equals ["proxy"](#)**  
Let *deserialized* be the result of [trying](#) to [deserialize as a proxy](#) with argument *value*.
    - ↪ ***name* equals ["timeouts"](#)**  
Let *deserialized* be the result of [trying](#) to [deserialize as a timeout](#) with argument *value*.
    - ↪ ***name* equals ["unhandledPromptBehavior"](#)**  
Let *deserialized* be the result of [trying](#) to [deserialize as an unhandled prompt behavior](#) with argument *value*.
    - ↪ ***name* is the key of an [extension capability](#)**  
Let *deserialized* be the result of [trying](#) to deserialize *value* in an implementation-specific way.
    - ↪ **The [remote end](#) is an [endpoint node](#)**  
Return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).

4. If *deserialized* is not [null](#), [set a property](#) on *result* with name *name* and value *deserialized*.

4. Return [success](#) with data *result*.

When ***merging capabilities*** with JSON [Object](#) arguments *primary* and *secondary*, an [endpoint node](#) must take the following steps:

1. Let *result* be a new JSON [Object](#).
2. For each enumerable [own property](#) in *primary*, run the following substeps:
  1. Let *name* be the the name of the property.
  2. Let *value* be the the result of [getting a property](#) named *name* from *primary*.
  3. [Set a property](#) on *result* with name *name* and value *value*.
3. If *secondary* is [undefined](#), return *result*.
4. For each enumerable [own property](#) in *secondary*, run the following substeps:
  1. Let *name* be the the name of the property.
  2. Let *value* be the the result of [getting a property](#) named *name* from *secondary*.
  3. Let *primary value* be the result of [getting the property](#) *name* from *primary*.
  4. If *primary value* is not [undefined](#), return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
  5. [Set a property](#) on *result* with name *name* and value *value*.
5. Return *result*.

#### NOTE

The algorithm outlined in [matching capabilities](#) blithely ignores real-world problems that make implementation less than perfectly straightforward, particularly since capabilities can interact in unforeseen ways.

As an example, an implementation could have a capability that gives the path to the browser binary to use. This could cause both **browserName** and **browserVersion** to be impossible to match against until the browser process is started.

When ***matching capabilities*** with JSON [Object](#) argument *capabilities*, an [endpoint node](#) must take the following steps:



1. Let *matched capabilities* be a JSON [Object](#) with the following entries:

**"browserName"**

[Lowercase](#) name of the user agent as a [string](#).

**"browserVersion"**

The user agent version, as a [string](#).

**"platformName"**

[Lowercase](#) name of the current platform as a [string](#).

**"acceptInsecureCerts"**

[Boolean](#) initially set to **false**, indicating the session will not implicitly trust untrusted or self-signed TLS certificates on [navigation](#).

**"setWindowRect"**

Boolean indicating whether the [remote end](#) supports all of the [commands](#) in [Resizing and Positioning Windows](#).

2. Optionally add [extension capabilities](#) as entries to *matched capabilities*. The values of these may be elided, and there is no requirement that all [extension capabilities](#) be added.

#### NOTE

This allows a [remote end](#) to add information that might be useful to a [local end](#) without unnecessarily bloating the response sent back to the user with (e.g.) an entire browser profile.

For example, an implementation could choose to indicate that a screenshot will be taken when returning an error by setting the capability **se:screenshot-on-error** to **true**.

3. For each *name* and *value* corresponding to *capability*'s [own properties](#):

1. Run the substeps of the first matching *name*:

↪ **"browserName"**

If *value* is not a string equal to the **"browserName"** entry in *matched capabilities*, return [success](#) with data [null](#).

#### NOTE

There is a chance the [remote end](#) will need to start a browser process to correctly determine the **browserName**. Lightweight checks are preferred before this is done.

↪ **"browserVersion"**

Compare *value* to the **"browserVersion"** entry in *matched capabilities* using an implementation-defined comparison algorithm. The comparison is to accept a *value* that places constraints on the version using the "<", "<=", ">", and ">=" operators.

If the two values do not match, return [success](#) with data [null](#).

NOTE

Version comparison is left as an implementation detail since each user agent will likely have conflicting methods of encoding the user agent version, and standardizing these schemes is beyond the scope of this standard.

NOTE

There is a chance the [remote end](#) will need to start a browser process to correctly determine the **browserVersion**. Lightweight checks are preferred before this is done.

↪ **"platformName"**

If *value* is not a string equal to the **"platformName"** entry in *matched capabilities*, return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## NOTE

The following platform names are in common usage with well-understood semantics and, when [matching capabilities](#), greatest interoperability can be achieved by honoring them as valid synonyms for well-known Operating Systems:

Key	System
"linux"	Any server or desktop system based upon the Linux kernel.
"mac"	Any version of Apple's macOS.
"windows"	Any version of Microsoft Windows, including desktop and mobile versions.

This list is not exhaustive.

When returning [capabilities](#) from [New Session](#), it is valid to return a more specific `platformName`, allowing users to correctly identify the Operating System the WebDriver implementation is running on.

## ↪ "acceptInsecureCerts"

If *value* is `true` and the [endpoint node](#) does not support [insecure TLS certificates](#), return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## NOTE

If the [endpoint node](#) does not support [insecure TLS certificates](#) and this is the reason no match is ultimately made, it is useful to provide this information to the [local end](#).

## ↪ "proxy"

If the [endpoint node](#) does not allow the proxy it uses to be configured, or if the proxy configuration defined in *value* is not one that passes the [endpoint node](#)'s implementation-specific validity checks, return [success](#) with data [null](#).

**NOTE**

A [local end](#) would only send this capability if it expected it to be honored and the configured proxy used. The intent is that if this is not possible a new session will not be established.

**↪ Otherwise**

If *name* is the key of an [extension capability](#),

let *value* be the result of [trying](#) implementation-specific steps to match on *name* with *value*. If the match is not successful, return [success](#) with data [null](#).

2. [Set a property](#) on *matched capabilities* with name *name* and value *value*.

4. Return [success](#) with data *matched capabilities*.

## 8. Sessions

A [session](#) is equivalent to a single instantiation of a particular user agent, including all its child browsers. WebDriver gives each [session](#) a unique [session ID](#) that can be used to differentiate one session from another, allowing multiple user agents to be controlled from a single HTTP server, and allowing sessions to be routed via a multiplexer (known as an [intermediary node](#)).

A WebDriver *session* represents the [connection](#) between a [local end](#) and a specific [remote end](#).

A [session](#) is started when a [New Session](#) is invoked. It is an [error](#) to send any commands before starting a session, or to continue to send commands after the [session](#) has been closed. Maintaining session continuity between [commands](#) to the [remote end](#) requires passing a [session ID](#).

A [session](#) is torn down at some later point; either explicitly by invoking [Delete Session](#), or implicitly when [Close Window](#) is called at the last remaining [top-level browsing context](#).

An [intermediary node](#) will maintain an *associated session* for each active [session](#). This is the [session](#) on the [upstream](#) neighbor that is created when the [intermediary node](#) executes the [New Session command](#). Closing a [session](#) on an [intermediary node](#) will also [close the session](#) of the [associated session](#).

All [commands](#), except [New Session](#) and [Status](#), have an associated *current session*, which is the [session](#) in which that [command](#) will run.

A [remote end](#) has an associated list of *active sessions*, which is a list of all [sessions](#) that are currently started. A [remote end](#) that is not an [intermediary node](#) has at most one [active session](#) at a given time.

A [remote end](#) has an associated *maximum active sessions* (an integer) that defines the number of [active sessions](#) that are supported. This may be “unlimited” for [intermediary nodes](#), but must be exactly one for a [remote end](#) that is an [endpoint node](#).

A [session](#) has an associated *session ID* (a string representation of a [UUID](#)) used to uniquely identify this session. Unless stated otherwise it is [null](#).

A [session](#) has an associated *current browsing context*, which is the [browsing context](#) against which [commands](#) will run.

A [session](#) has an associated *current top-level browsing context*, which is the [current browsing context](#) if it itself is a [top-level browsing context](#), and otherwise is the [top-level browsing context](#) of the [current browsing context](#).

A [session](#) has an associated *session script timeout* that specifies a time to wait for scripts to run. If equal to [null](#) then [session script timeout](#) will be indefinite. Unless stated otherwise it is 30,000 milliseconds.

A [session](#) has an associated *session page load timeout* that specifies a time to wait for the page loading to complete. Unless stated otherwise it is 300,000 milliseconds.

A [session](#) has an associated *session implicit wait timeout* that specifies a time to wait in milliseconds for the [element location strategy](#) when [retrieving elements](#) and when waiting for an [element](#) to become [interactable](#) when performing [element interaction](#) . Unless stated otherwise it is zero milliseconds.

A [session](#) has an associated *page loading strategy*, which is one of the keywords from the [table of page load strategies](#). Unless stated otherwise, it is [normal](#).

A [session](#) has an associated *secure TLS* state that indicates whether untrusted or self-signed TLS certificates should be trusted for the duration of the WebDriver session. If it is unset, this indicates that certificate- or TLS errors that occur upon [navigation](#) should be suppressed. The state can be unset by providing an "acceptInsecureCerts" [capability](#) with the value true. Unless stated otherwise, it is set.

A [session](#) has an associated [user prompt handler](#). Unless stated otherwise it is [null](#).

A [session](#) has an associated list of [active input sources](#).

A [session](#) has an associated [input state table](#).

A [session](#) has an associated [input cancel list](#).

A [session](#) has an associated *request queue* which is a [queue](#) of [requests](#) that are currently awaiting processing.

When asked to *close the session*, a [remote end](#) must take the following steps:

1. Perform the following substeps based on the [remote end](#)'s type:

↪ **[Remote end is an endpoint node](#)**

1. Set the [webdriver-active flag](#) to false.
2. An [endpoint node](#) must [close](#) any [top-level browsing contexts](#) associated with the [session](#), without [prompting to unload](#).

↪ **[Remote end is an intermediary node](#)**

1. [Close](#) the [associated session](#). If this causes an [error](#) to occur, complete the remainder of this algorithm before returning the [error](#).
2. Remove the [current session](#) from [active sessions](#).
3. Perform any implementation-specific cleanup steps.
4. If an [error](#) has occurred in any of the steps above, return the [error](#), otherwise return [success](#) with data [null](#).

Closing a [session](#) might cause the associated browser process to be killed. It is assumed that any implementation-specific cleanup steps are performed *after* the response has been sent back to the client so that the [connection](#) is not prematurely closed.

## 8.1 New Session

HTTP Method	URI Template
POST	/session

The [New Session command](#) creates a new WebDriver [session](#) with the [endpoint node](#). If the creation fails, a [session not created error](#) is returned.

If the [remote end](#) is an [intermediary node](#), it *MAY* use the result of the [capabilities processing](#) algorithm to route the [new session](#) request to the appropriate [endpoint node](#). An [intermediary node](#) *MAY* also define [extension capabilities](#) to assist in this process, however, these specific capabilities *MUST NOT* be forwarded to the [endpoint node](#).

If the [intermediary node](#) requires additional information unrelated to user agent features, it is *RECOMMENDED* that this information be passed as top-level parameters, and not as part of the requested [capabilities](#). An [intermediary node](#) *MUST* forward custom, top-level parameters (i.e. non-[capabilities](#)) to subsequent [remote end](#) nodes.

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An [intermediary node](#) might require authentication on [creating a new session](#). This authentication is an argument to the [New Session](#) command itself and not the user agent's [capabilities](#). Therefore, the authentication should be passed as a top-level parameter and not embedded in [capabilities](#):

```
{
  "user": "alice",
  "password": "hunter2",
  "capabilities": {...}
}
```

However, because an [intermediary node](#) cannot forward [extension capabilities](#) specific to that implementation to an [endpoint node](#), the following is also permitted by this specification:

```
{
  "capabilities": {
    "alwaysMatch": {
      "cloud:user": "alice",
      "cloud:password": "hunter2",
      "platformName": "linux"
    },
    "firstMatch": [
      {"browserName": "chrome"},
      {"browserName": "edge"}
    ]
  }
}
```

Once all [capabilities are merged](#) from this example, an [endpoint node](#) would receive [New Session](#) capabilities identical to:

```
[
  {"browserName": "chrome", "platformName": "linux"},
  {"browserName": "edge", "platformName": "linux"}
]
```

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [maximum active sessions](#) is equal to the length of the list of [active sessions](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [session not created](#).

2. If the remote end is an intermediary node, take implementation-defined steps that either result in returning an error with error code session not created, or in returning a success with data that is isomorphic to that returned by remote ends according to the rest of this algorithm. If an error is not returned, the intermediary node must retain a reference to the session created on the upstream node as the associated session such that commands may be forwarded to this associated session on subsequent commands.

#### NOTE

How this is done is entirely up to the implementation, but typically the `sessionId`, and URL and URL prefix of the upstream remote end will need to be tracked.

3. If the maximum active sessions is equal to the length of the list of active sessions, return error with error code session not created.
4. Let *capabilities* be the result of trying to process capabilities with *parameters* as an argument.
5. If *capabilities*'s is null, return error with error code session not created.
6. Let *session id* be the result of generating a UUID.
7. Let *session* be a new session with the session ID of *session id*.
8. Set the current session to *session*.
9. Append *session* to active sessions.
10. Let *body* be a JSON Object initialised with:
 

**"sessionId"**  
*session id*

**"capabilities"**  
*capabilities*
11. Initialize the following from *capabilities*:
  1. Let *strategy* be the result of getting property **"pageLoadStrategy"** from *capabilities*.
  2. If *strategy* is a string, set the current session's page loading strategy to *strategy*.  
Otherwise, set the page loading strategy to *normal* and set a property of *capabilities* with name **"pageLoadStrategy"** and value **"normal"**.
  3. Let *proxy* be the result of getting property **"proxy"** from *capabilities* and run the substeps of the first matching statement:

↪ *proxy* is a proxy configuration object



Take implementation-defined steps to set the user agent proxy using the extracted *proxy* configuration. If the defined proxy cannot be configured return [error](#) with [error code session not created](#).

↪ **Otherwise**

[Set a property](#) of *capabilities* with name "**proxy**" and a value that is a new JSON [Object](#).

4. Let *timeouts* be the result of getting property "**timeouts**" from *capabilities*.
5. If *timeouts* is a [session timeouts configuration](#) object:
  1. If *timeouts* has a numeric property with key "**implicit**", set the [current session's session implicit wait timeout](#) to the value of property "**implicit**". Otherwise, set the [session implicit wait timeout](#) to 0 (zero) milliseconds.
  2. If *timeouts* has a numeric property with key "**pageLoad**", set the [current session's session page load timeout](#) to the value of property "**pageLoad**". Otherwise, set the [session page load timeout](#) to 300,000 milliseconds.
  3. If *timeouts* has a numeric property with key "**script**", set the [current session's session script timeout](#) to the value of property "**script**". Otherwise, set the [session script timeout](#) to 30,000 milliseconds.
6. Let *configured timeouts* be a new JSON [Object](#).
7. Set a property on *configured timeouts* with name "**implicit**" and value equal to the [current session's session implicit wait timeout](#).
8. Set a property on *configured timeouts* with name "**pageLoad**" and value equal to the [current session's session page load timeout](#).
9. Set a property on *configured timeouts* with name "**script**" and value equal to the [current session's session script timeout](#).
10. Set a property on *capabilities* with name "**timeouts**" and value *configured timeouts*.
11. Apply changes to the user agent for any implementation-defined capabilities selected during the [capabilities processing](#) step.
12. Set the [webdriver-active flag](#) to true.
13. Set the [current top-level browsing context](#) for *session* in an implementation-specific way. This should be the [top-level browsing context](#) of the UA's [current browsing context](#).

**NOTE**

WebDriver implementations typically start a completely new browser instance, but there is no requirement in this specification (or for WebDriver only to be used to automate only web browsers). Implementations might choose to use an existing browser instance, eg. by selecting the window that currently has focus.

14. Set the [request queue](#) to a new [queue](#).
15. Return [success](#) with data *body*.

## 8.2 Delete Session

HTTP Method	URI Template
DELETE	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current session](#) is an [active session](#), [try](#) to [close the session](#).
2. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 8.3 Status

HTTP Method	URI Template
GET	/status

**NOTE**

[Status](#) returns information about whether a [remote end](#) is in a state in which it can create [new sessions](#), but may additionally include arbitrary meta information that is specific to the implementation.

The [remote end](#)'s [readiness state](#) is represented by the **ready** property of the body, which is false if an attempt to [create a session](#) at the current time would fail. However, the value true does not guarantee that a [New Session](#) command will succeed.

Implementations may optionally include additional meta information as part of the body, but the top-level properties **ready** and **message** are reserved and must not be overwritten.

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *body* be a new JSON [Object](#) with the following properties:

**"ready"**

The [remote end](#)'s [readiness state](#).

**"message"**

An implementation-defined string explaining the [remote end](#)'s [readiness state](#).

2. Return [success](#) with data *body*.

## 8.4 Get Timeouts

HTTP Method	URI Template
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/timeouts

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *body* be a new JSON [Object](#) with the following properties:

**"script"**

[session script timeout](#)

**"pageLoad"**

[session page load timeout](#)

**"implicit"**

[session implicit wait timeout](#)

2. Return [success](#) with data *body*.

## 8.5 Set Timeouts

HTTP Method	URI Template
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/timeouts

The following ***table of session timeouts*** enumerates the different timeout types that may be set using the [Set Timeouts](#) command. The keywords given in the first column maps to the timeout type given in the second.

Keyword	Type	Description
<b>"script"</b>	<a href="#">session script timeout</a>	Determines when to interrupt a script that is being <a href="#">evaluated</a> .

"pageLoad"	<a href="#">session page load timeout</a>	Provides the timeout limit used to interrupt <a href="#">navigation</a> of the <a href="#">browsing context</a> .
"implicit"	<a href="#">session implicit wait timeout</a>	Gives the timeout of when to abort <a href="#">locating an element</a> .

A *session timeouts configuration* is a JSON [Object](#). It consists of the properties named after the keys in the [table of session timeouts](#).

The steps to *deserialize as a timeout* with argument *parameters* are:

1. If *parameters* is not a JSON [Object](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
2. For each enumerable [own property](#) in *parameters*, run the following substeps:
  1. Let *name* be the name of the property.
  2. Let *value* be the result of [getting a property](#) named *name* from *parameters*.
  3. Find the *timeout type* from the [table of session timeouts](#) by looking it up by its keyword *key*.  
If no keyword matches *key*, return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
  4. If *value* is not an [integer](#), or it is less than 0 or greater than the [maximum safe integer](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. Return [success](#) with data *parameters*.

The [remote end steps](#) of the [Set Timeouts command](#) are:

1. Let *parameters* be the result of [trying](#) to [deserialize as a timeout parameters](#).
2. For each enumerable [own property](#) in *parameters*:
  1. Let *key* be the name of the property.
  2. Let *value* be the result of [getting the property name](#) from *parameters*.
  3. Find the *timeout type* from the [table of session timeouts](#) by looking it up by its keyword *key*.
  4. Set *timeout type*'s *value*.
3. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 9. Navigation

The [commands](#) in this section allow navigation of the [current top-level browsing context](#) to new URLs and introspection of the document currently loaded in this [browsing context](#).

For [commands](#) that cause a new document to load, the point at which the command returns is determined by the session's [page loading strategy](#). The [normal](#) state causes it to return after the [load event fires](#) on the new page, [eager](#) causes it to return after the [DOMContentLoaded event fires](#), and [none](#) causes it to return immediately.

Navigation actions are also affected by the value of the [session page load timeout](#), which determines the maximum time that commands will block before returning with a [timeout error](#).

The following is the *table of page load strategies* that links the [pageLoadStrategy capability](#) keyword to a [page loading strategy](#) state, and shows which [document readiness](#) state that corresponds to it:

Keyword	Page load strategy state	Document readiness state
"none"	<i>none</i>	
"eager"	<i>eager</i>	"interactive"
"normal"	<i>normal</i>	"complete"

When asked to *deserialize as a page load strategy* with argument *value*:

1. If *value* is not a [string](#) return an [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
2. If there is no entry in the [table of page load strategies](#) with [keyword value](#) return an [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. Return [success](#) with data *value*.

When asked to *wait for navigation to complete*, run the following steps:

1. If the [current session](#) has a [page loading strategy](#) of [none](#), return [success](#) with data [null](#).
2. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [success](#) with data [null](#).
3. Start a *timer*. If this algorithm has not completed before *timer* reaches the [session's session page load timeout](#) in milliseconds, return an [error](#) with [error code timeout](#).
4. If there is an ongoing attempt to [navigate](#) the [current browsing context](#) that has not yet [matured](#), wait for navigation to [mature](#).
5. Let *readiness target* be the [document readiness](#) state associated with the [current session's page loading strategy](#), which can be found in the [table of page load strategies](#).

6. Wait for the the [current browsing context](#)'s [document readiness](#) state to reach *readiness target*, or for the [session page load timeout](#) to pass, whichever occurs sooner.
7. If the previous step completed by the [session page load timeout](#) being reached and the browser does not have an active [user prompt](#), return [error](#) with [error code timeout](#).
8. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

When asked to run the *post-navigation checks*, run the substeps of the first matching statement:

↪ **[response](#) is a network error**

Return [error](#) with [error code unknown error](#).

NOTE

A "network error" in this case is not an HTTP response with a status code indicating an unsuccessful result, but could be a problem occurring lower in the OSI model, or a failed DNS lookup.

↪ **[response](#) is [blocked by content security policy](#)**

If the [current session](#)'s [secure TLS](#) state is disabled, take implementation specific steps to ensure the navigation is not aborted and that the untrusted- or invalid TLS certificate error that would normally occur under these circumstances, are suppressed.

Otherwise return [error](#) with [error code insecure certificate](#).

↪ **[response](#)'s [HTTP status](#) is 401**

↪ **Otherwise**

Irrespective of how a possible authentication challenge is handled, return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 9.1 *Navigate To*

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/url
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NOTE

The command causes the user agent to [navigate](#) the [current top-level browsing context](#) to a new location.

If the [session](#) is not in a [secure TLS](#) state, no certificate errors that would normally cause the user agent to abort and show a security warning are to hinder navigation to the requested address.

### EXAMPLE 8

To navigate the [current top-level browsing context](#) of the [session](#) with ID *l* to <https://example.com>, the [local end](#) would POST to `/session/l/url` with the body:

```
{"url": "https://example.com"}
```

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. Let *url* be the result of [getting the property](#) `url` from the *parameters* argument.
3. If *url* is not an [absolute URL](#) or is not an [absolute URL with fragment](#) or not a [local scheme](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
4. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
5. Let *current URL* be the [current top-level browsing context](#)'s [active document](#)'s [document URL](#).
6. If *current URL* and *url* do not have the same [absolute URL](#):
  1. If *timer* has not been started, start a *timer*. If this algorithm has not completed before *timer* reaches the [session](#)'s [session page load timeout](#) in milliseconds, return an [error](#) with [error code timeout](#).
7. [Navigate](#) the [current top-level browsing context](#) to *url*.
8. If *url* [is special](#) except for `file` and *current URL* and *URL* do not have the same [absolute URL](#) :
  1. [Try](#) to [wait for navigation to complete](#).
  2. [Try](#) to run the [post-navigation checks](#).
9. Set the [current browsing context](#) to the [current top-level browsing context](#).
10. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) contains a [refresh state pragma directive](#) of *time* 1 second or less, wait until the refresh timeout has elapsed, a new [navigate](#) has begun, and return to the first step of this algorithm.

11. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 9.2 Get Current URL

### HTTP Method    URI Template

GET	/session/{session id}/url
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. Let *url* be the [serialization](#) of the [current top-level browsing context](#)'s [active document](#)'s [document URL](#).
4. Return [success](#) with data *url*.

## 9.3 Back

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{session id}/back
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#### NOTE

This command causes the browser to traverse one step backward in the [joint session history](#) of the [current top-level browsing context](#). This is equivalent to pressing the back button in the browser chrome or invoking `window.history.back`.

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. [Traverse the history by a delta -1](#) for the [current browsing context](#).
4. If the previous step completed results in a [pageHide event firing](#), wait until [pageShow event fires](#) or for the [session page load timeout](#) milliseconds to pass, whichever occurs sooner.



5. If the previous step completed by the [session page load timeout](#) being reached, and [user prompts have been handled](#), return [error](#) with [error code timeout](#).
6. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 9.4 Forward

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{session id}/forward
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#### NOTE

This command causes the browser to traverse one step forwards in the [joint session history](#) of the [current top-level browsing context](#).

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. [Traverse the history by a delta 1](#) for the [current browsing context](#).
4. If the previous step completed results in a [pageHide event](#) firing, wait until [pageShow event fires](#) or for the [session page load timeout](#) milliseconds to pass, whichever occurs sooner.
5. If the previous step completed by the [session page load timeout](#) being reached, and [user prompts have been handled](#), return [error](#) with [error code timeout](#).
6. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 9.5 Refresh

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{session id}/refresh
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**NOTE**

This command causes the browser to reload the page in the current top-level browsing context.

The remote end steps are:

1. If the current top-level browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
2. Handle any user prompts and return its value if it is an error.
3. Initiate an overridden reload of the current top-level browsing context's active document.
4. If *url* is special except for **file**:
  1. Try to wait for navigation to complete.
  2. Try to run the post-navigation checks.
5. Set the current browsing context to the current top-level browsing context.
6. Return success with data null.

## 9.6 Get Title

HTTP Method	URI Template
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/title

**NOTE**

This command returns the document title of the current top-level browsing context, equivalent to calling **document.title**.

The remote end steps are:

1. If the current top-level browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
2. Handle any user prompts and return its value if it is an error.

3. Let *title* be the result of calling the algorithm for getting the [title](#) attribute of the [current top-level browsing context](#)'s [active document](#).
4. Return [success](#) with data *title*.

## 10. Command Contexts

Many WebDriver [commands](#) happen in the context of either the [current browsing context](#) or [current top-level browsing context](#). The [current top-level browsing context](#) is represented in the protocol by its associated [window handle](#). When a [top-level browsing context](#) is selected using the [Switch To Window](#) command, a specific [browsing context](#) can be selected using the [Switch to Frame](#) command.

### NOTE

The use of the term “window” to refer to a [top-level browsing context](#) is legacy and doesn’t correspond with either the operating system notion of a “window” or the DOM [Window](#) object.

A [browsing context](#) is said to be *no longer open* if it has been [discarded](#).

Each [browsing context](#) has an associated *window handle* which uniquely identifies it. This must be a [String](#) and must not be *current*.

The *web window identifier* is the string constant *“window-fcc6-11e5-b4f8-330a88ab9d7f”*.

The *web frame identifier* is the string constant *“frame-075b-4da1-b6ba-e579c2d3230a”*.

The *JSON serialization of the WindowProxy object* is the JSON [Object](#) obtained by applying the following algorithm to the given [WindowProxy](#) object *window*:

1. Let *identifier* be the [web window identifier](#) if the associated [browsing context](#) of *window* is a [top-level browsing context](#).

Otherwise let it be the [web frame identifier](#).

2. Return a JSON [Object](#) initialised with the following properties:

#### *identifier*

Associated [window handle](#) of the *window*’s [browsing context](#).

**NOTE**

In accordance with the [focus](#) section of the [\[HTML\]](#) specification, commands are unaffected by whether the operating system window has focus or not.

## 10.1 *Get Window Handle*

### HTTP Method    URI Template

GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. Return [success](#) with data being the [window handle](#) associated with the [current top-level browsing context](#).

## 10.2 *Close Window*

### HTTP Method    URI Template

DELETE	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. [Close](#) the [current top-level browsing context](#).
4. If there are no more open [top-level browsing contexts](#), then [try](#) to [close the session](#).
5. Return the result of running the [remote end steps](#) for the [Get Window Handles command](#).

## 10.3 *Switch To Window*

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST                      /session/{*session id*}/window

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## NOTE

Switching window will select the [current top-level browsing context](#) used as the target for all subsequent [commands](#). In a tabbed browser, this will typically make the tab containing the [browsing context](#) the selected tab.

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *handle* be the result of [getting the property](#) "**handle**" from the *parameters* argument.
2. If *handle* is [undefined](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
3. If there is an active [user prompt](#), that prevents the focussing of another [top-level browsing context](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [unexpected alert open](#).
4. If *handle* is equal to the associated [window handle](#) for some [top-level browsing context](#) in the [current session](#), set the [session](#)'s [current browsing context](#) to that browsing context.  
  
Otherwise, return [error](#) with [error code](#) [no such window](#).
5. Update any implementation-specific state that would result from the user selecting the [current browsing context](#) for interaction, without altering OS-level focus.
6. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 10.4 Get Window Handles

HTTP Method    URI Template

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GET                      /session/{*session id*}/window/handles

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The order in which the window handles are returned is arbitrary.

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *handles* be a JSON [List](#).
2. For each [top-level browsing context](#) in the [remote end](#), push the associated [window handle](#) onto *handles*.
3. Return [success](#) with data *handles*.

**EXAMPLE 9**

In order to determine whether or not a particular interaction with the browser opens a new window, one can obtain the set of window handles before the interaction is performed and compare it with the set after the action is performed.

## 10.5 Switch To Frame

### HTTP Method    URI Template

HTTP Method	URI Template
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/frame

**NOTE**

The [Switch To Frame](#) command is used to select the [current top-level browsing context](#) or a [child browsing context](#) of the [current browsing context](#) to use as the [current browsing context](#) for subsequent [commands](#).

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *id* be the result of [getting the property](#) "**id**" from the *parameters* argument.
2. If *id* is not [null](#), a **Number** object, or an [Object](#) that [represents a web element](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such frame](#).
3. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
4. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
5. Run the substeps of the first matching condition:

↪ ***id* is [null](#)**

1. Set the [current browsing context](#) to the [current top-level browsing context](#).

↪ ***id* is a **Number** object**

1. If *id* is less than 0 or greater than  $2^{16} - 1$ , return [error](#) with [error code no such frame](#).
2. Let *window* be the [associated window](#) of the [current browsing context](#)'s [active document](#).

3. If *id* is not a [supported property index](#) of *window*, return [error](#) with [error code no such frame](#).
4. Let *child window* be the [WindowProxy](#) object obtained by calling *window*. [\[\[GetOwnProperty\]\]](#) (*id*).
5. Set the [current browsing context](#) to *child window*'s [browsing context](#).

↪ **[id represents a web element](#)**

1. Let *element* be the result of [trying to get a known element](#) by [web element reference](#) *id*.
  2. If *element* [is stale](#), return [error](#) with [error code stale element reference](#).
  3. If *element* is not a [frame](#) or [iframe](#) element, return [error](#) with [error code no such frame](#).
  4. Set the [current browsing context](#) to *element*'s [nested browsing context](#).
6. Update any implementation-specific state that would result from the user selecting the [current browsing context](#) for interaction, without altering OS-level focus.
  7. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

#### NOTE

WebDriver is not bound by the same origin policy, so it is always possible to switch into child browsing contexts, even if they are different origin to the current browsing context.

## 10.6 Switch To Parent Frame

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/frame/parent
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#### NOTE

The [Switch to Parent Frame command](#) sets the [current browsing context](#) for future [commands](#) to the parent of the [current browsing context](#).

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. If the [current browsing context](#) is not equal to the [current top-level browsing context](#), set the [current browsing context](#) to the [parent browsing context](#) of the [current browsing context](#).
4. Update any implementation-specific state that would result from the user selecting the [current browsing context](#) for interaction, without altering OS-level focus.
5. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 10.7 Resizing and Positioning Windows

WebDriver provides [commands](#) for interacting with the operating system window containing the [current top-level browsing context](#). Because different operating systems' window managers provide different abilities, not all of the commands in this section can be supported by all [remote ends](#). Support for these [commands](#) is determined by the [window dimensioning/positioning capability](#). Where a [command](#) is not supported, an [unsupported operation error](#) is returned.

The [top-level browsing context](#) has an associated **window state** which describes what visibility state its OS widget window is in. It can be in one of the following states:

State	Keyword	Default	Description
<i>Maximized window state</i>	" <a href="#">maximized</a> "		The window is maximized.
<i>Minimized window state</i>	" <a href="#">minimized</a> "		The window is iconified.
<i>Normal window state</i>	" <a href="#">normal</a> "	✓	The window is shown normally.
<i>Fullscreen window state</i>	" <a href="#">fullscreen</a> "		The window is in full screen mode.

If for whatever reason the [top-level browsing context](#)'s OS window cannot enter either of the [window states](#), or if this concept is not applicable on the current system, the default state must be [normal](#).

A [top-level browsing context](#)'s **window rect** is defined as a dictionary of the [screenX](#), [screenY](#), [outerWidth](#) and [outerHeight](#) attributes of the [WindowProxy](#). Its **JSON representation** is the following:

"[x](#)"

[WindowProxy](#)'s [screenX](#) attribute.

"[y](#)"

[WindowProxy](#)'s [screenY](#) attribute.



**"width"**

[WindowProxy](#)'s [outerWidth](#) attribute.

**"height"**

[WindowProxy](#)'s [outerHeight](#) attribute.

To **maximize the window**, given an operating system level window with an associated [top-level browsing context](#), run the implementation-specific steps to transition the operating system level window into the [maximized window state](#). If the window manager supports window resizing but does not have a concept of window maximization, the window dimensions must be increased to the maximum available size permitted by the window manager for the current screen. Return when the window has completed the transition, or within an implementation-defined timeout.

To **iconify the window**, given an operating system level window with an associated [top-level browsing context](#), run implementation-specific steps to iconify, minimize, or hide the window from the visible screen. Do not return from this operation until the [visibility state](#) of the [top-level browsing context](#)'s [active document](#) has reached the [hidden](#) state, or until the operation times out.

To **restore the window**, given an operating system level window with an associated [top-level browsing context](#), run implementation-specific steps to restore or unhide the window to the visible screen. Do not return from this operation until the [visibility state](#) of the [top-level browsing context](#)'s [active document](#) has reached the [visible](#) state, or until the operation times out.

### 10.7.1 Get Window Rect

HTTP Method    URI Template

HTTP Method	URI Template
GET	/session/{session id}/window/rect

#### NOTE

The [Get Window Rect command](#) returns the size and position on the screen of the operating system window corresponding to the [current top-level browsing context](#).

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. Return [success](#) with the [JSON serialization](#) of the [current top-level browsing context](#)'s [window rect](#).

### 10.7.2 Set Window Rect

#### HTTP Method    URI Template

HTTP Method	URI Template
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window/rect

#### NOTE

The [Set Window Rect command](#) alters the size and the position of the operating system window corresponding to the [current top-level browsing context](#).

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *width* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **width** from the *parameters* argument, else let it be [null](#).
2. Let *height* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **height** from the *parameters* argument, else let it be [null](#).
3. Let *x* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **x** from the *parameters* argument, else let it be [null](#).
4. Let *y* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **y** from the *parameters* argument, else let it be [null](#).
5. If *width* or *height* is neither [null](#) nor a [Number](#) from 0 to  $2^{31} - 1$ , return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
6. If *x* or *y* is neither [null](#) nor a [Number](#) from  $-(2^{31})$  to  $2^{31} - 1$ , return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
7. If the [remote end](#) does not support the [Set Window Rect command](#) for the [current top-level browsing context](#) for any reason, return [error](#) with [error code](#) [unsupported operation](#).
8. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [no such window](#).
9. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
10. [Fully exit fullscreen](#).
11. [Restore the window](#).
12. If *width* and *height* are not [null](#):

1. Set the width, in [CSS pixels](#), of the operating system window containing the [current top-level browsing context](#), including any browser chrome and externally drawn window decorations to a value that is as close as possible to *width*.
2. Set the height, in [CSS pixels](#), of the operating system window containing the [current top-level browsing context](#), including any browser chrome and externally drawn window decorations to a value that is as close as possible to *height*.

#### NOTE

The specification does not guarantee that the resulting window size will exactly match that which was requested. In particular the implementation is expected to clamp values that are larger than the physical screen dimensions, or smaller than the minimum window size.

Particular implementations may have other limitations such as not being able to resize in single-pixel increments.

This is intended to mutate the value of the [current top-level browsing context](#)'s [WindowProxy](#)'s [outerWidth](#) and [outerHeight](#) properties. Specifically, the value of [outerWidth](#) should be as close as possible to *width* and the value of [outerHeight](#) should be as close as possible to *height*.

13. If *x* and *y* are not [null](#):

1. Run the implementation-specific steps to set the position of the operating system level window containing the [current top-level browsing context](#) to the position given by the *x* and *y* coordinates.

#### NOTE

Note that this step is similar to calling the [moveTo\(x, y\)](#) method on the [WindowProxy](#) object associated with the [current top-level browsing context](#), but without the [security restrictions](#) that you

- a. cannot move a window or tab that was not created by [window.open](#).
- b. cannot move a window or tab when it is in a window with more than one tab.

14. Return [success](#) with the [JSON serialization](#) of the [current top-level browsing context](#)'s [window rect](#).

### 10.7.3 Maximize Window

HTTP Method	URI Template
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POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window/maximize
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#### NOTE

The [Maximize Window](#) command invokes the window manager-specific “maximize” operation, if any, on the window containing the [current top-level browsing context](#). This typically increases the window to the maximum available size without going full-screen.

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [remote end](#) does not support the [Maximize Window](#) command for the [current top-level browsing context](#) for any reason, return [error](#) with [error code unsupported operation](#).
2. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
3. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
4. [Fully exit fullscreen](#).
5. [Restore the window](#).
6. [Maximize the window](#) of the [current top-level browsing context](#).
7. Return [success](#) with the [JSON serialization](#) of the [current top-level browsing context](#)’s [window rect](#).

### 10.7.4 Minimize Window

HTTP Method	URI Template
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POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window/minimize
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#### NOTE

The [Minimize Window](#) command invokes the window manager-specific “minimize” operation, if any, on the window containing the [current top-level browsing context](#). This typically hides the window in the system tray.

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [remote end](#) does not support the [Minimize Window](#) command for the [current top-level browsing context](#) for any reason, return [error](#) with [error code unsupported operation](#).
2. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
3. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
4. [Fully exit fullscreen](#).
5. [Iconify the window](#).
6. Return [success](#) with the [JSON serialization](#) of the [current top-level browsing context](#)'s [window rect](#).

### 10.7.5 Fullscreen Window

HTTP Method    URI Template

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POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/window/fullscreen
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [remote end](#) does not [support fullscreen](#) return [error](#) with [error code unsupported operation](#).
2. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
3. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
4. [Restore the window](#).
5. Call [fullscreen an element](#) with the [current top-level browsing context](#)'s [active document](#)'s [document element](#).
6. Return [success](#) with the [JSON serialization](#) of the [current top-level browsing context](#)'s [window rect](#).

## 11. Elements

A **web element** is an abstraction used to identify an [element](#) when it is transported via the [protocol](#), between [remote](#)- and [local](#) ends.

The *web element identifier* is the string constant "**element-6066-11e4-a52e-4f735466cecf**".

Each element has an associated *web element reference* that uniquely identifies the element across all browsing contexts. The web element reference for every element representing the same element must be the same. It must be a string, and should be the result of generating a UUID.

An ECMAScript Object *represents a web element* if it has a web element identifier own property.

Each browsing context has an associated *list of known elements*. When the browsing context is discarded, the list of known elements is discarded along with it.

To *get a known element* with argument *reference*, run the following steps:

1. Let *element* be the item in the current browsing context's list of known elements for which the web element reference matches *reference*, if such an element exists. Otherwise return error with error code no such element.
2. If *element* is stale, return error with error code stale element reference.
3. Return success with *element*.

To *get a known connected element* with argument *reference*, run the following steps:

1. Let *element* be the result of trying to get a known element with argument *reference*.
2. If *element* is not connected return error with error code stale element reference.
3. Return success with *element*.

To *create a web element reference* for an element:

1. For each *known element* of the current browsing context's list of known elements:
  1. If *known element* equals *element*, return success with *known element*'s web element reference.
2. Add *element* to the list of known elements of the current browsing context.
3. Return success with the *element*'s web element reference.

The *JSON serialization of an element* is a JSON Object where the web element identifier key is mapped to the element's web element reference.

When required to *deserialize a web element* by a JSON Object *object* that represents a web element:

1. If *object* has no own property web element identifier, return error with error code invalid argument.
2. Let *reference* be the result of getting the web element identifier property from *object*.

3. Let *element* be the result of [trying](#) to [get a known element](#) with argument *reference*.
4. Return [success](#) with data *element*.

An [element](#) *is stale* if its [node document](#) is not the [active document](#) or if its [context object](#) is not [connected](#).

To *scroll into view* an [element](#) perform the following steps only if the element is not already [in view](#):

1. Let *options* be the following [ScrollIntoViewOptions](#):

**"behavior"**

**"instant"**

**Logical scroll position "block"**

**"end"**

**Logical scroll position "inline"**

**"nearest"**

2. On the [element](#), [Call](#)([scrollIntoView](#), *options*).

**Editable elements** are those that can be used for [typing](#) and [clearing](#), and they fall into two subcategories:

#### **Mutable form control elements**

Denotes [input elements](#) that are [mutable](#) (e.g. that are not [read only](#) or [disabled](#)) and whose [type attribute](#) is in one of the following states:

⇒ [Text and Search](#), [URL](#), [Telephone](#), [Email](#), [Password](#), [Date](#), [Month](#), [Week](#), [Time](#), [Local Date and Time](#), [Number](#), [Range](#), [Color](#), [File Upload](#)

And the [textarea element](#).

#### **Mutable elements**

Denotes elements that are [editing hosts](#) or [content editable](#).

An [element](#) is said to have *pointer events disabled* if the [resolved value](#) of its **"pointer-events"** style property is **"none"**.

An [element](#) is to be considered *read only* if it is an [input element](#) whose [readOnly attribute](#) is set.

## 11.1 Element Interactability

In order to determine if an [element](#) can be interacted with using pointer actions, WebDriver performs hit-testing to find if the interaction will be able to reach the requested element.

An **interactable element** is an [element](#) which is either [pointer-interactable](#) or [keyboard-interactable](#).

A **pointer-interactable element** is defined to be the first [element](#), defined by the [paint order](#) found at the [center point](#) of its rectangle that is inside the [viewport](#), excluding the size of any rendered scrollbars.

A **keyboard-interactable element** is any [element](#) that has a [focusable area](#), is a [body element](#), or is the [document element](#).

An [element](#)'s **in-view center point** is the origin position of the rectangle that is the intersection between the element's first [DOM client rectangle](#) and the [initial viewport](#). Given an [element](#) that is known to be [in view](#), it can be calculated this way:

1. Let *rectangle* be the first [element](#) of the [DOMRect](#) sequence returned by calling [getClientRects](#) on [element](#).
2. Let *left* be ([max](#)(0, [min](#)([x coordinate](#), [x coordinate](#) + [width dimension](#)))).
3. Let *right* be ([min](#)([innerWidth](#), [max](#)([x coordinate](#), [x coordinate](#) + [width dimension](#)))).
4. Let *top* be ([max](#)(0, [min](#)([y coordinate](#), [y coordinate](#) + [width dimension](#)))).
5. Let *bottom* be ([min](#)([innerHeight](#), [max](#)([y coordinate](#), [y coordinate](#) + [height dimension](#)))).
6. Let *x* be  $(0.5 \times (left + right))$ .
7. Let *y* be  $(0.5 \times (top + bottom))$ .
8. Return *x* and *y* as a pair.

An [element](#) is **in view** if it is a member of its own [pointer-interactable paint tree](#), given the pretense that its [pointer events are not disabled](#).

An [element](#) is **obscured** if the [pointer-interactable paint tree](#) at its [center point](#) is empty, or the first element in this tree is not an [inclusive descendant](#) of itself.



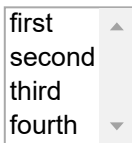
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This ascertains if the [element](#)'s [in-view center point](#) would be possible to [interact](#) with.

For example, the [paint tree](#) at this button's [center point](#), the red square, is not itself the button or a [descendant](#) of the button. In other words, it is not an [inclusive descendant](#). This makes the button [obscured](#):



On the other hand, the [center point](#) of the following select list is the third [option element](#), because unlike a drop-down list, `<select multiple>`'s options are individually visible and painted. Because the option is a [descendant](#) of the [select element](#), it is *not* [obscured](#):



An [element](#)'s *pointer-interactable paint tree* is produced this way:

1. If *element* is [not in the same tree](#) as the [current browsing context](#)'s [active document](#), return an empty sequence.
2. Let *rectangles* be the [DOMRect](#) sequence returned by calling [getClientRects](#).
3. If *rectangles* has the length of 0, return an empty sequence.
4. Let *center point* be the [in-view center point](#) of the first indexed element in *rectangles*.
5. Return the [elements from point](#) given the coordinates *center point*.

## 12. Element Retrieval

The [Find Element](#), [Find Elements](#), [Find Element From Element](#), and [Find Elements From Element commands](#) allow lookup of individual elements and collections of elements. Element retrieval searches are performed using pre-order traversal of the document's nodes that match the provided selector's expression. Elements are [serialized](#) and returned as [web elements](#).

When required to *find* with arguments *start node*, *using* and *value*, a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. Let *end time* be the current time plus the [session implicit wait timeout](#).
2. Let *location strategy* be equal to *using*.
3. Let *selector* be equal to *value*.
4. Let *elements returned* be the result of [trying](#) to call the relevant [element location strategy](#) with arguments *start node*, and *selector*.
5. If a [DOMException](#), [SyntaxError](#), [XPathException](#), or other error occurs during the execution of the [element location strategy](#), return [error invalid selector](#).
6. If *elements returned* is empty and the current time is less than *end time* return to step 4. Otherwise, continue to the next step.
7. Let *result* be an empty JSON [List](#).
8. For each *element* in *elements returned*, append the [serialization](#) of *element* to *result*.
9. Return [success](#) with data *result*.

## 12.1 Locator Strategies

An ***element location strategy*** is an [enumerated attribute](#) deciding what technique should be used to search for [elements](#) in the [current browsing context](#). The following ***table of location strategies*** lists the keywords and states defined for this attribute:

State	Keyword
<a href="#">CSS selector</a>	"css selector"
<a href="#">Link text selector</a>	"link text"
<a href="#">Partial link text selector</a>	"partial link text"
<a href="#">Tag name</a>	"tag name"
<a href="#">XPath selector</a>	"xpath"

### 12.1.1 CSS Selectors

To find a [web element](#) with the ***CSS Selector strategy*** the following steps need to be completed:

1. Let *elements* be the result of calling [querySelectorAll](#) with *selector* with the [context object](#) equal to the *start node*. If this causes an exception to be thrown, return [error](#) with [error code invalid selector](#).

2. Return [success](#) with data *elements*.

### 12.1.2 Link Text

To find a [web element](#) with the **Link Text** [strategy](#) the following steps need to be completed:

1. Let *elements* be the result of calling [querySelectorAll](#), with argument [a elements](#), with the [context object](#) equal to the *start node*. If this throws an exception, return [error](#) with [error code unknown error](#).
2. Let *result* be an empty [NodeList](#).
3. For each *element* in *elements*:
  1. Let *rendered text* be the value that would be returned via a call to [Get Element Text](#) for *element*.
  2. Let *trimmed text* be the result of removing all [whitespace](#) from the start and end of the string *rendered text*.
  3. If *trimmed text* equals *selector*, append *element* to *result*.
4. Return [success](#) with data *result*.

### 12.1.3 Partial Link Text

The **Partial link text** [strategy](#) is very similar to the [Link Text strategy](#), but rather than matching the entire string, only a substring needs to match. That is, return all [a elements](#) with rendered text that contains the selector expression.

To find a [web element](#) with the [Partial Link Text strategy](#) the following steps need to be completed:

1. Let *elements* be the result of calling [querySelectorAll](#), with argument [a elements](#), with the [context object](#) equal to the *start node*. If this throws an exception, return [error](#) with [error code unknown error](#).
2. Let *result* be an empty [NodeList](#).
3. For each *element* in *elements*:
  1. Let *rendered text* be the value that would be returned via a call to [Get Element Text](#) for *element*.
  2. If *rendered text* contains *selector*, append *element* to *result*.

4. Return [success](#) with data *result*.

#### 12.1.4 Tag Name

To find a [web element](#) with the **Tag Name** [strategy](#) return [success](#) with data set to the result of calling [getElementsByTagName](#) with the argument *selector*, with the [context object](#) equal to the *start node*.

#### 12.1.5 XPath

To find a [web element](#) with the **XPath Selector** [strategy](#) the following steps need to be completed:

1. Let *evaluateResult* be the result of calling [evaluate](#), with arguments *selector*, *start node*, [null](#), [ORDERED\\_NODE\\_SNAPSHOT\\_TYPE](#), and [null](#).

#### NOTE

A snapshot is used to promote operation atomicity.

2. Let *index* be 0.
3. Let *length* be the result of [getting the property](#) "[snapshotLength](#)" from *evaluateResult*. If this throws an [XPathException](#) return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid selector](#), otherwise if this throws any other exception return [error](#) with [error code](#) [unknown error](#).
4. Let *result* be an empty [NodeList](#).
5. Repeat, while *index* is less than *length*:
  1. Let *node* be the result of calling [snapshotItem](#) with argument *index*, with the [context object](#) equal to *evaluateResult*.
  2. If *node* is not an [element](#) return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid selector](#).
  3. Append *node* to *result*.
  4. Increment *index* by 1.
6. Return [success](#) with data *result*.

## 12.2 Find Element

### HTTP Method URI Template

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POST /session/{session id}/element

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## NOTE

The [Find Element command](#) is used to find an [element](#) in the [current browsing context](#) that can be used as the [web element](#) context for future element-centric [commands](#).

For example, consider this pseudo code which retrieves an element with the `#toremove` ID and uses this as the argument for a script it injects to remove it from the HTML document:

```
let body = session.find.css("#toremove");
session.execute("arguments[0].remove()", [body]);
```

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *location strategy* be the result of [getting a property](#) called `"using"`.
2. If *location strategy* is not present as a keyword in the [table of location strategies](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. Let *selector* be the result of [getting a property](#) called `"value"`.
4. If *selector* is [undefined](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
5. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
6. Let *start node* be the [current browsing context](#)'s [document element](#).
7. If *start node* is [null](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such element](#).
8. Let *result* be the result of [trying to Find](#) with *start node*, *location strategy*, and *selector*.
9. If *result* is empty, return [error](#) with [error code no such element](#). Otherwise, return the first element of *result*.

## 12.3 Find Elements

HTTP Method    URI Template

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POST /session/{session id}/elements

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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *location strategy* be the result of [getting a property](#) called "**using**".
2. If *location strategy* is not present as a keyword in the [table of location strategies](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
3. Let *selector* be the result of [getting a property](#) called "**value**".
4. If *selector* is [undefined](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
5. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [no such window](#).
6. Let *start node* be the [current browsing context](#)'s [document element](#).
7. If *start node* is [null](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [no such element](#).
8. Return the result of [trying to Find](#) with *start node*, *location strategy*, and *selector*.

## 12.4 Find Element From Element

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/element
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *location strategy* be the result of [getting a property](#) called "**using**".
2. If *location strategy* is not present as a keyword in the [table of location strategies](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
3. Let *selector* be the result of [getting a property](#) called "**value**".
4. If *selector* is [undefined](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
5. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [no such window](#).
6. Let *start node* be the result of [trying to get a known connected element](#) with [url variable](#) *element id*.
7. Let *result* be the value of [trying to Find](#) with *start node*, *location strategy*, and *selector*.
8. If *result* is empty, return [error](#) with [error code](#) [no such element](#). Otherwise, return the first element of *result*.

## 12.5 Find Elements From Element

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/elements
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *location strategy* be the result of [getting a property](#) called "**using**".
2. If *location strategy* is not present as a keyword in the [table of location strategies](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. Let *selector* be the result of [getting a property](#) called "**value**".
4. If *selector* is [undefined](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
5. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
6. Let *start node* be the result of [trying to get a known connected element](#) with [url variable element id](#).
7. Return the result of [trying to Find](#) with *start node*, *location strategy*, and *selector*.

## 12.6 Get Active Element

### HTTP Method    URI Template

GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/active
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
  2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
  3. Let *active element* be the [active element](#) of the [current browsing context](#)'s [document element](#).
  4. If *active element* is a non-null [element](#), return [success](#) with its [JSON serialization](#).
- Otherwise, return [error](#) with [error code no such element](#).

## 13. Element State

To *calculate the absolute position* of *element*:

1. Let *rect* be the value returned by calling [getBoundingClientRect](#).
2. Let *window* be the [associated window](#) of [current top-level browsing context](#).
3. Let *x* be ([scrollX](#) of *window* + *rect*'s [x coordinate](#)).
4. Let *y* be ([scrollTop](#) of *window* + *rect*'s [y coordinate](#)).
5. Return a pair of (*x*, *y*).

To determine if *node* is *not in the same tree* as another *node*, *other*, run the following substeps:

1. If the *node*'s [node document](#) is not *other*'s [node document](#), return true.
2. Return true if the result of calling the *node*'s [compareDocumentPosition](#) with *other* as argument is [DOCUMENT\\_POSITION\\_DISCONNECTED](#) (1), otherwise return false.

An *element*'s *container* is:

↪ **option element** in a valid **element context**

↪ **optgroup element** in a valid **element context**

The *element*'s [element context](#), which is determined by:

1. Let *datalist parent* be the first [datalist element](#) reached by traversing the tree in reverse order from *element*, or [undefined](#) if the root of the tree is reached.
2. Let *select parent* be the first [select element](#) reached by traversing the tree in reverse order from *element*, or [undefined](#) if the root of the tree is reached.
3. If *datalist parent* is [undefined](#), the [element context](#) is *select parent*. Otherwise, the [element context](#) is *datalist parent*.

↪ **option element** in an invalid **element context**

The element does not have a container.

↪ **Otherwise**

The container is the [element](#) itself.

## 13.1 Is Element Selected

HTTP Method    URI Template

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GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/selected
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**NOTE**

The Is Element Selected command determines if the referenced element is selected or not. This operation only makes sense on input elements of the Checkbox- and Radio Button states, or on option elements.

The remote end steps are:

1. If the current browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
2. Handle any user prompts and return its value if it is an error.
3. Let *element* be the result of trying to get a known connected element with url variable *element id*.
4. Let *selected* be the value corresponding to the first matching statement:
  - ↪ *element* is an input element with a type attribute in the Checkbox- or Radio Button state  
The result of *element*'s checkedness.
  - ↪ *element* is an option element  
The result of *element*'s selectedness.
  - ↪ **Otherwise**  
False.
5. Return success with data *selected*.

## 13.2 *Get Element Attribute*

HTTP Method    URI Template

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GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/attribute/{ <i>name</i> }
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The remote end steps are:

1. If the current browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
2. Handle any user prompts and return its value if it is an error.
3. Let *element* be the result of trying to get a known element with url variable *element id*.

4. Let *result* be the result of the first matching condition:

↪ If *name* is a **boolean attribute**

"true" (string) if the *element* has the attribute, otherwise null.

↪ Otherwise

The result of getting an attribute by name *name*.

5. Return success with data *result*.

#### NOTE

Please note that the behavior of this command deviates from the behavior of getAttribute in [DOM], which in the case of a set boolean attribute would return an empty string. The reason this command returns true as a string is because this evaluates to true in most dynamically typed programming languages, but still preserves the expected type information.

### 13.3 Get Element Property

HTTP Method    URI Template

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GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/property/{ <i>name</i> }
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The remote end steps are:

1. If the current browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
2. Handle any user prompts and return its value if it is an error.
3. Let *element* be the result of trying to get a known element with url variable *element id*.
4. Let *property* be the result of calling the *element*.[[GetProperty]](*name*).
5. Let *result* be the value of *property* if not undefined, or null.
6. Return success with data *result*.

### 13.4 Get Element CSS Value

HTTP Method    URI Template

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GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/css/{ <i>property name</i> }
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. Let *element* be the result of [trying](#) to [get a known connected element](#) with [url variable](#) *element id*.
4. Let *computed value* be the result of the first matching condition:
  - ↪ [current browsing context](#)'s [document type](#) is not **"xml"**  
[computed value](#) of parameter *property name* from *element*'s style declarations.  
*property name* is obtained from [url variables](#).
  - ↪ **Otherwise**  
 "" (empty string)
5. Return [success](#) with data *computed value*.

## 13.5 Get Element Text

HTTP Method    URI Template

GET                    /session/{*session id*}/element/{*element id*}/text

### NOTE

The [Get Element Text command](#) intends to return an [element](#)'s text “as rendered”. An [element](#)'s rendered text is also used for locating [a elements](#) by their [link text](#) and [partial link text](#).

One of the major inputs to this specification was the open source [Selenium project](#). This was in wide-spread use before this specification written, and so had set user expectations of how the [Get Element Text](#) command should work. As such, the approach presented here is known to be flawed, but provides the best compatibility with existing users.

When processing text, *whitespace* is defined as characters from the Unicode Character Database ([UAX44]) with the [Unicode character property](#) **"WSpace=Y"**.

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. Let *element* be the result of [trying](#) to [get a known connected element](#) with [url variable](#) *element id*.
4. Let *rendered text* be the result of performing implementation-specific steps whose result is exactly the same as the result of a [Call](#)([bot.dom.getVisibleText](#), [null](#), *element*).
5. Return [success](#) with data *rendered text*.

## 13.6 Get Element Tag Name

### HTTP Method    URI Template

GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/name
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. Let *element* be the result of [trying](#) to [get a known element](#) with [url variable](#) *element id*.
4. Let *qualified name* be the result of getting *element*'s [tagName](#) content [attribute](#).
5. Return [success](#) with data *qualified name*.

## 13.7 Get Element Rect

### HTTP Method    URI Template

GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/rect
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**NOTE**

The [Get Element Rect command](#) returns the dimensions and coordinates of the given [web element](#). The returned value is a dictionary with the following members:

***x***

X axis position of the top-left corner of the [web element](#) relative to the [current browsing context](#)'s [document element](#) in [CSS pixels](#).

***y***

Y axis position of the top-left corner of the [web element](#) relative to the [current browsing context](#)'s [document element](#) in [CSS pixels](#).

***height***

Height of the [web element](#)'s [bounding rectangle](#) in [CSS pixels](#).

***width***

Width of the [web element](#)'s [bounding rectangle](#) in [CSS pixels](#).

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. Let *element* be the result of [trying to get a known connected element](#) with [url variable element id](#).
4. [Calculate the absolute position](#) of *element* and let it be *coordinates*.
5. Let *rect* be *element*'s [bounding rectangle](#).
6. Let *body* be a new JSON [Object](#) initialised with:

**"x"**

The first value of *coordinates*.

**"y"**

The second value of *coordinates*.

**"width"**

Value of *rect*'s [width dimension](#).

**"height"**

Value of *rect*'s [height dimension](#).

7. Return [success](#) with data *body*.

## 13.8 Is Element Enabled

### HTTP Method    URI Template

HTTP Method	URI Template
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/enabled

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#) and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. Let *element* be the result of [trying](#) to [get a known connected element](#) with [url variable](#) *element id*.
4. Let *enabled* be a boolean initially set to true if the [current browsing context](#)'s [document type](#) is not "[xml](#)".

Otherwise, let *enabled* to false and jump to the last step of this algorithm.

5. Set *enabled* to false if a form control is [disabled](#).
6. Return [success](#) with data *enabled*.

## 14. Element Interaction

The [element](#) interaction [commands](#) provide a high-level instruction set for manipulating form controls. Unlike [Actions](#), they will implicitly [scroll elements into view](#) and check that it is an [interactable element](#).

Some [resettable elements](#) define their own *clear algorithm*. Unlike their associated [reset algorithms](#), changes made to form controls as part of these algorithms *do* count as changes caused by the user (and thus, e.g. do cause [input](#) events to fire). When the [clear algorithm](#) is invoked for an element that does not define its own [clear algorithm](#), its [reset algorithm](#) must be invoked instead.

The [clear algorithm](#) for [input](#) elements is to set the [dirty value flag](#) and [dirty checkedness flag](#) back to false, set the [value](#) of the element to an empty string, set the [checkedness](#) of the element to true if the element has a [checked](#) content attribute and false if it does not, empty the list of [selected files](#), and then invoke the [value sanitization algorithm](#), if the [type](#) attribute's current state defines one.

The [clear algorithm](#) for [textarea](#) elements is to set the [dirty value flag](#) back to false, and set the [raw value](#) of element to an empty string.

The [clear algorithm](#) for [output](#) elements is set the element's [value mode flag](#) to default and then to set the element's [textContent](#) IDL attribute to an empty string (thus clearing the element's child nodes).

## 14.1 *Element Click*

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/click
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#### NOTE

The [Element Click command scrolls into view](#) the [element](#) if it is not already [pointer-interactable](#), and clicks its [in-view center point](#).

If the element's [center point](#) is [obscured](#) by another element, an [element click intercepted error](#) is returned. If the element is outside the [viewport](#), an [element not interactable error](#) is returned.

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. Let *element* be the result of [trying](#) to [get a known connected element](#) with argument *element id*.
3. If the *element* is an [input element](#) in the [file upload state](#) return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
4. [Scroll into view](#) the *element*'s [container](#).
5. If *element*'s [container](#) is still not [in view](#), return [error](#) with [error code element not interactable](#).
6. If *element*'s [container](#) is [obscured](#) by another [element](#), return [error](#) with [error code element click intercepted](#).
7. Matching on *element*:
  - ↪ [option element](#)
    1. Let *parent node* be the *element*'s [container](#).
    2. [Fire](#) a [mouseover event](#) at *parent node*.

3. [Fire](#) a [mouseMove event](#) at *parent node*.
4. [Fire](#) a [mouseDown event](#) at *parent node*.
5. Run the [focusing steps](#) on *parent node*.
6. If *element* is not [disabled](#):
  1. [Fire](#) an [input](#) event at *parent node*.
  2. Let *previous selectedness* be equal to *element* [selectedness](#).
  3. If *element*'s [container](#) has the [multiple attribute](#), toggle the *element*'s [selectedness](#) state by setting it to the opposite value of its current [selectedness](#).
  - Otherwise, set the *element*'s [selectedness](#) state to true.
  4. If *previous selectedness* is false, [fire](#) a [change](#) event at *parent node*.
7. [Fire](#) a [mouseUp event](#) at *parent node*.
8. [Fire](#) a [click event](#) at *parent node*.

↪ **Otherwise**

1. Let *mouse* be a new [pointer input source](#).
2. Let *click point* be the *element*'s [in-view center point](#).
3. Let *pointer move action* be an [action object](#) with the *mouse*'s *id*, "[pointer](#)", and "[pointerMove](#)" as arguments.
4. [Set a property](#) *x* to *0* on *pointer move action*.
5. [Set a property](#) *y* to *0* on *pointer move action*.
6. [Set a property](#) *origin* to *element* on *pointer move action*.
7. Let *pointer down action* be an [action object](#) with the *mouse*'s *id*, "[pointer](#)", and "[pointerDown](#)" as arguments.
8. [Set a property](#) *button* to *0* on *pointer down action*.
9. Let *pointer up action* be an [action object](#) with the *mouse*'s *id*, "[mouse](#)", and "[pointerUp](#)" as arguments.
10. [Set a property](#) *button* to *0* on *pointer up action*.



11. [Dispatch a pointerMove action](#) with arguments *mouse's* [input id](#), *pointer move action*, *mouse's* [input source state](#), and [0](#).
  12. [Dispatch a pointerDown action](#) with arguments *mouse's* [input id](#), *pointer down action*, *mouse's* [input source state](#), and [0](#).
  13. [Dispatch a pointerUp action](#) with arguments *mouse's* [input id](#), *pointer up action*, *mouse's* [input source state](#), and [0](#).
  14. Remove *mouse* from the [current session's](#) [input state table](#).
  15. Remove *mouse* from the list of [active input sources](#).
8. Wait until the user agent event loop has spun enough times to process the DOM events generated by the previous step.
  9. Perform implementation-defined steps to allow any [navigations](#) triggered by the click to start.

#### NOTE

It is not always clear how long this will cause the algorithm to wait, and it is acknowledged that some implementations may have unavoidable race conditions. The intention is to allow a new attempt to [navigate](#) to begin so that the next step in the algorithm is meaningful. It is possible the click does not cause an attempt to [navigate](#), in which case the implementation-defined steps can return immediately, and the next step will also return immediately.

10. [Try to wait for navigation to complete](#).
11. [Try to run the post-navigation checks](#).
12. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 14.2 Element Clear

HTTP Method    URI Template

POST                    /session/{*session id*}/element/{*element id*}/clear

To *clear a content editable element*:

1. If *element's* [innerHTML IDL attribute](#) is an empty string do nothing and return.
2. Run the [focusing steps](#) for *element*.

3. Set *element*'s [innerHTML IDL attribute](#) to an empty string.
4. Run the [unfocusing steps](#) for the *element*.

To *clear a resettable element*:

1. Let *empty* be the result of the first matching condition:
  - ↪ *element* is an [input element](#) whose [type attribute](#) is in the [File Upload state](#)  
True if the list of [selected files](#) has a length of 0, and false otherwise.
  - ↪ **Otherwise**  
True if its [value](#) IDL attribute is an empty string, and false otherwise.
2. If *element* is a [candidate for constraint validation](#) it [satisfies its constraints](#), and *empty* is true, abort these substeps.
3. Invoke the [focusing steps](#) for *element*.
4. Invoke the [clear algorithm](#) for *element*.
5. Invoke the [unfocusing steps](#) for the *element*.

The [remote end steps](#) for [Element Clear](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. Let *element* be the result of [trying to get a known connected element](#) with argument *element id*.
3. If *element* is not [editable](#), return an [error](#) with [error code invalid element state](#).
4. [Scroll into view](#) the *element*.
5. Wait in an implementation-specific way up to the [session implicit wait timeout](#) for *element* to become [interactable](#).
6. If *element* is not [interactable](#), return [error](#) with [error code element not interactable](#).
7. Run the substeps of the first matching statement:
  - ↪ *element* is a [mutable form control element](#)  
Invoke the steps to [clear a resettable element](#).
  - ↪ *element* is a [mutable element](#)  
Invoke the steps to [clear a content editable element](#).
  - ↪ **Otherwise**

Return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid element state](#).

8. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 14.3 *Element Send Keys*

### HTTP Method    URI Template

HTTP Method	URI Template
POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/element/{ <i>element id</i> }/value

#### NOTE

The [Element Send Keys](#) command [scrolls into view](#) the form control [element](#) and then sends the provided keys to the [element](#). In case the [element](#) is not [keyboard-interactable](#), an [element not interactable error](#) is returned.

The [key input state](#) used for input may be cleared mid-way through “typing” by sending the ***null key***, which is U+E000 (NULL).

When required to ***clear the modifier key state*** with an argument of *undo actions* and *keyboard* a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. If *keyboard* is not a [key input source](#) return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
2. For each *entry key* in the lexically sorted keys of *undo actions*:
  1. Let *action* be the value of *undo actions* matching key *entry key*.
  2. If *action* is not an [action object](#) of **type** "key" and **subtype** "keyUp", return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
  3. [Dispatch a keyUp action](#) with arguments *action* and *keyboard*'s [key input state](#).

An [extended grapheme cluster](#) is ***typeable*** if it consists of a single [unicode code point](#) and the [code](#) is not [undefined](#).

The ***shifted state*** for *keyboard* is the value of *keyboard*'s [key input state](#)'s **shift** property.

In order to ***dispatch the events for a typeable string*** with arguments *text* and *keyboard*, a [remote end](#) must for each *char* corresponding to an indexed property in *text*:

1. If *char* is a [shifted character](#) and the [shifted state](#) of *keyboard* is **false**, create a new [action object](#) with *keyboard*'s **id**, **"key"**, and **"keyDown"**, and set its **value** property to U+E008 ("left shift"). [Dispatch a keyDown action](#) with this [action object](#) and *keyboard*'s [key input state](#).

2. If *char* is not a [shifted character](#) and the [shifted state](#) of *keyboard* is **true**, create a new [action object](#) with *keyboard*'s **id**, **"key"**, and **"keyUp"**, and set its **value** property to **U+E008** ("left shift"). [Dispatch a keyUp action](#) with this [action object](#) and *keyboard*'s [key input state](#).
3. Let *keydown action* be a new [action object](#) constructed with arguments *keyboard*'s **id**, **"key"**, and **"keyDown"**.
4. Set the **value** property of *keydown action* to *char*
5. [Dispatch a keyDown action](#) with arguments *keydown action* and *keyboard*'s [key input state](#).
6. Let *keyup action* be a copy of *keydown action* with the **subtype** property changed to **"keyUp"**.
7. [Dispatch a keyUp action](#) with arguments *keyup action* and *keyboard*'s [key input state](#).

When required to **dispatch a composition event** with arguments *type* and *cluster* the [remote end](#) must [perform implementation-specific action dispatch steps](#) equivalent to sending composition events in accordance with the requirements of [\[UI-EVENTS\]](#), and producing the following event with the specified properties.

- [composition event](#) with properties:

Attribute	Value
<b>type</b>	<i>type</i>
<b>data</b>	<i>cluster</i>

When required to **dispatch actions for a string** with arguments *text* and *keyboard*, a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. Let *clusters* be an array created by [breaking text into extended grapheme clusters](#).
2. Let *undo actions* be an empty dictionary.
3. Let *current typeable text* be an empty string.
4. For each *cluster* corresponding to an indexed property in *clusters* run the substeps of the first matching statement:

↪ *cluster* is the [null key](#)

1. [Dispatch the events for a typeable string](#) with arguments *current typeable text* and *keyboard*. Reset *current typeable text* to an empty string.
2. [Clear the modifier key state](#) with arguments being *undo actions* and *keyboard*.
3. If the previous step results in an [error](#), return that [error](#).
4. Reset *undo actions* to be an empty dictionary.

↪ *cluster* is a modifier key

1. Dispatch the events for a typeable string with arguments *current typeable text* and *keyboard*. Reset *current typeable text* to an empty string.
2. Let *keydown action* be an action object constructed with arguments *keyboard's* id, "key", and "keyDown".
3. Set the **value** property of *keydown action* to *cluster*.
4. Dispatch a keyDown action with arguments *keydown action* and *keyboard's* key input state.
5. Add an entry to *undo actions* with key *cluster* and value being a copy of *keydown action* with the **subtype** modified to "keyUp".

↪ *cluster* is typeable

Append *cluster* to *current typeable text*.

↪ Otherwise

1. Dispatch the events for a typeable string with arguments *current typeable text* and *keyboard*. Reset *current typeable text* to an empty string.
2. Dispatch a composition event with arguments "compositionstart" and undefined.
3. Dispatch a composition event with arguments "compositionupdate" and *cluster*.
4. Dispatch a composition event with arguments "compositionend" and *cluster*.
5. Dispatch the events for a typeable string with arguments *current typeable text* and *keyboard*.
6. Clear the modifier key state with arguments *undo actions* and *keyboard*. If an error is returned, return that error

The remote end steps for Element Send Keys are:

1. Let *text* be the result of getting a property called "text" from the *parameters* argument.
2. If *text* is not a String, return an error with error code invalid argument.
3. If the current browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
4. Handle any user prompts, and return its value if it is an error.

5. Let *element* be the result of [trying](#) to [get a known connected element](#) with [url variable](#) *element id*.
6. [Scroll into view](#) the *element*.
7. Wait in an implementation-specific way up to the [session implicit wait timeout](#) for *element* to become [keyboard-interactable](#).
8. If *element* is not [keyboard-interactable](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [element not interactable](#).
9. If *element* is not the [active element](#) run the [focusing steps](#) for the *element*.
10. Run the substeps of the first matching condition:

↪ *element* is an [input element](#) whose [type attribute](#) is [File](#).

1. Let *files* be the result of splitting *text* on the newline (`\n`) character.
2. If *files* is of 0 length, return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
3. Let *multiple* equal the result of calling [hasAttribute](#)("multiple") on *element*.
4. if *multiple* is [false](#) and the length of *files* is not equal to 1, return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
5. Verify that each file given by the user exists. If any do not, return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
6. Complete implementation specific steps equivalent to setting the [selected files](#) on the [input](#). If *multiple* is [true](#) *files* are be appended to *element*'s [selected files](#).
7. [Fire](#) these events in order on *element*:
  1. [input](#)
  2. [change](#)
8. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

↪ The user agent renders *element* as something other than a text input control (for example an [input](#) element in the [color state](#) being presented as a colorwheel):

1. If *element* does not have an [own property](#) named [value](#) return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [element not interactable](#)
2. If *element* is not [mutable](#) return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [element not interactable](#).
3. [Set a property](#) [value](#) to *text* on *element*.

4. If *element* is suffering from bad input return an error with error code invalid argument.

5. Return success with data null.

↪ *element* is content editable

Set the text insertion caret after any child content.

↪ **Otherwise**

1. Let *current text length* be the JavaScript string's length of *element*'s API value.

2. Set the text insertion caret using set selection range using *current text length* for both the **start** and **end** parameters.

11. Let *keyboard* be a new key input source.

12. Dispatch actions for a string with arguments *text* and *keyboard*.

13. Remove *keyboard* from the current session's input state table

14. Remove *keyboard* from the list of active input sources.

15. Return success with data null.

## 15. Document Handling

### 15.1 *Get Page Source*

HTTP Method	URI Template
GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/source

#### NOTE

The Get Page Source command returns a string serialization of the DOM of the current browsing context active document.

The remote end steps are:

1. If the current browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.

2. Handle any user prompts and return its value if it is an error.

3. Let *source* be the result of invoking the [fragment serializing algorithm](#) on a fictional node whose only child is the [document element](#) providing **true** for the **require well-formed** flag. If this causes an exception to be thrown, let *source* be [null](#).
4. Let *source* be the result of [serializing to string](#) the [current browsing context active document](#), if *source* is [null](#).
5. Return [success](#) with data *source*.

## 15.2 Executing Script

When required to **JSON deserialize** with argument *value* and optional argument *seen*, a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. If *seen* is not provided, let *seen* be an empty [List](#).
2. Jump to the first appropriate step below:
3. Matching on *value*:

↪ [undefined](#)

↪ [null](#)

↪ type [Boolean](#)

↪ type [Number](#)

↪ type [String](#)

Return [success](#) with data *value*.

↪ [Object that represents a web element](#)

Return the [deserialized web element](#) of *value*.

↪ type [Array](#)

↪ type [Object](#)

Return the result of running the [clone an object](#) algorithm with arguments *value* and *seen*, and the [JSON deserialize](#) algorithm as the clone algorithm.

To perform a **JSON clone** return the result of calling the [internal JSON clone algorithm](#) with arguments *value* and an empty [List](#).

When required to run the **internal JSON clone algorithm** with arguments *value* and *seen*, a [remote end](#) must return the value of the first matching statement, matching on *value*:

↪ [undefined](#)

↪ [null](#)

[Success](#) with data [null](#).

↪ type [Boolean](#)

↪ type [Number](#)

↪ type [String](#)



Success with data *value*.

↪ **instance of element**

If the *element* is stale, return error with error code stale element reference.

Otherwise, return success with the serialization to JSON of the web element *value*.

↪ **a WindowProxy object**

If the associated browsing context of the WindowProxy object in *value* has been discarded, return error with error code stale element reference.

Otherwise return success with the JSON serialization of the WindowProxy object of *value*.

↪ **instance of NodeList**

↪ **instance of HTMLCollection**

↪ **instance of Array**

↪ **instance of Object**

1. If *value* is in *seen*, return error with error code javascript error.

2. Append *value* to *seen*.

3. Let *result* be the value of running the clone an object algorithm with arguments *value* and *seen*, and the internal JSON clone algorithm as the *clone algorithm*.

4. Remove the last element of *seen*.

5. Return *result*.

↪ **has an own property named "toJSON" that is a Function**

Return success with the value returned by Call(toJSON).

↪ **Otherwise**

Error with error code javascript error.

To *clone an object*, taking the arguments *value*, *seen*, and *clone algorithm*:

1. Let *result* be the value of the first matching statement, matching on *value*:

↪ **instance of NodeList**

↪ **instance of HTMLCollection**

↪ **instance of Array**

A new Array which length property is equal to the result of getting the property length of *value*.

↪ **Otherwise**

A new Object.

2. For each enumerable own property in *value*, run the following substeps:

1. Let *name* be the name of the property.
2. Let *source property value* be the result of [getting a property](#) named *name* from *value*. If doing so causes script to be run and that script throws an error, return [error](#) with [error code javascript error](#).
3. Let *cloned property result* be the result of calling the *clone algorithm* with arguments *source property value* and *seen*.
4. If *cloned property result* is a [success](#), [set a property](#) of *result* with name *name* and value equal to *cloned property result*'s data.
5. Otherwise, return *cloned property result*.

When required to ***extract the script arguments from a request*** with argument *parameters* the implementation must:

1. Let *script* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **script** from the *parameters*.
2. If *script* is not a [String](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. Let *args* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **args** from the *parameters*.
4. If *args* is not an [Array](#) return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
5. Let *arguments* be the result of calling the [JSON deserialize](#) algorithm with arguments *args*.
6. Return [success](#) with data *script* and *arguments*.

The rules to ***execute a function body*** are as follows. The algorithm will return [success](#) with the [JSON representation](#) of the function's return value, or an [error](#) if the evaluation of the function results in a JavaScript exception being thrown.

If at any point during the algorithm a [user prompt](#) appears, abort all subsequent substeps of this algorithm, and return [success](#) with data *null*.

1. Let *window* be the [associated window](#) of the [current browsing context](#)'s [active document](#).
2. Let *environment settings* be the [environment settings object](#) for *window*.
3. Let *global scope* be *environment settings* [realm](#)'s [global environment](#).
4. If *body* is not parsable as a [FunctionBody](#) or if parsing detects an [early error](#), return [error](#) with [error code javascript error](#).
5. If *body* begins with a [directive prologue](#) that contains a [use strict directive](#) then let *strict* be true, otherwise let *strict* be false.

6. [Prepare to run a script](#) with *environment settings*.
7. [Prepare to run a callback](#) with *environment settings*.
8. Let *function* be the result of calling [FunctionCreate](#), with arguments:

***kind***

Normal.

***list***

An empty [List](#).

***body***

The result of parsing *body* above.

***global scope***

The result of parsing *global scope* above.

***strict***

The result of parsing *strict* above.

9. Let *completion* be [Call](#)(*function*, *window*, *parameters*).
10. [Clean up after running a callback](#) with *environment settings*.
11. [Clean up after running a script](#) with *environment settings*.
12. If *completion* is an [abrupt completion](#), return an [error](#) with [error code javascript error](#).
13. Let *json data* be a [JSON clone](#) of *completion*. **[[Value]]**.
14. Return [success](#) with data *json data*.

#### NOTE

The above algorithm is not associated with any particular element, and is therefore not subject to the document CSP [directives](#).

### 15.2.1 Execute Script

#### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{session id}/execute/sync
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *body* and *arguments* be the result of [trying](#) to [extract the script arguments from a request](#) with argument *parameters*.

2. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
3. [Handle any user prompts](#), and return its value if it is an [error](#).
4. Let *promise* be [a new Promise](#).
5. Run the following substeps [in parallel](#):
  1. Let *result* be the result of [promise-calling execute a function body](#), with arguments *body* and *arguments*.
  2. If *result* is an error, [reject](#) *promise* with *result*.
6. If *promise* is still pending and [session script timeout](#) milliseconds is reached, [reject](#) *promise* with [error](#) with [error code script timeout](#).
7. Upon fulfillment of *promise* with value *v*, return [success](#) with data *v*.
8. Upon rejection of *promise* with reason *r*, if *r* is an [error](#), return *r*. Otherwise, return [error](#) with [error code javascript error](#) and data *r*.

### 15.2.2 Execute Async Script

#### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/execute/async
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#### NOTE

The [Execute Async Script command](#) causes JavaScript to execute as an anonymous function. Unlike the [Execute Script command](#), the result of the function is ignored. Instead, an additional argument is provided as the final argument to the function. This is a function that, when called, returns its first argument as the response.

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *body* and *arguments* be the result of [trying to extract the script arguments from a request](#) with argument *parameters*.
2. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
3. [Handle any user prompts](#), and return its value if it is an [error](#).

4. Let *promise* be [a new Promise](#).
5. Run the following substeps [in parallel](#):
  1. Append `resolve` to *script arguments*.
  2. Let *result* be the result of [promise-calling execute a function body](#), with arguments *body* and *arguments*.
  3. If *result* is an error, [reject](#) *promise* with *result*.
6. If *promise* is still pending and [session script timeout](#) milliseconds is reached, [reject](#) *promise* with [error](#) with [error code script timeout](#).
7. Upon fulfillment of *promise* with value *v*, return [success](#) with data *v*.
8. Upon rejection of *promise* with reason *r*, if *r* is an [error](#), return *r*. Otherwise, return [error](#) with [error code javascript error](#) and data *r*.

The ***execute async script callback*** algorithm is initialized with a single argument *webdriver callback state*. It defines a [function](#) with a single optional argument *result*. When this function is called, the following steps are run:

1. If *webdriver callback state* is not in the [unset](#) state, return [undefined](#).
2. If *result* is not present, let *result* be [null](#).
3. Let *json result* be a [JSON clone](#) of *result*.
4. Set the *webdriver callback state* to [set](#) with data *json result*.
5. Return [undefined](#).

## 16. Cookies

This section describes the interaction with [cookies](#) as described in [\[RFC6265\]](#).

A [cookie](#) is described in [\[RFC6265\]](#) by a name-value pair holding the cookie's data, followed by zero or more attribute-value pairs describing its characteristics.

The following ***table for cookie conversion*** defines the cookie concepts relevant to WebDriver, how these are referred to in [\[RFC6265\]](#), what keys they map to in a [serialized cookie](#), as well as the attribute-value keys needed when constructing a list of arguments for [creating a cookie](#).

For informational purposes, the table includes a legend of whether the field is optional in the [serialized cookie](#) provided to [Add Cookie](#), and a brief non-normative description of the field and

the expected input type of its associated value.

Concept	RFC 6265 Field	JSON Key	Attribute Key	Optional	Description
<b>Cookie name</b>	name	"name"			The name of the cookie.
<b>Cookie value</b>	value	"value"			The cookie value.
<b>Cookie path</b>	path	"path"	"Path"	✓	The cookie path. Defaults to "/" if omitted when <a href="#">adding a cookie</a> .
<b>Cookie domain</b>	domain	"domain"	"Domain"	✓	The domain the cookie is visible to. Defaults to the <a href="#">current browsing context's active document's URL domain</a> if omitted when <a href="#">adding a cookie</a> .
<b>Cookie secure only</b>	secure-only-flag	"secure"	"Secure"	✓	Whether the cookie is a secure cookie. Defaults to false if omitted when <a href="#">adding a cookie</a> .
<b>Cookie HTTP only</b>	http-only-flag	"httpOnly"	"HttpOnly"	✓	Whether the cookie is an HTTP only cookie. Defaults to false if omitted when <a href="#">adding a cookie</a> .
<b>Cookie expiry time</b>	expiry-time	"expiry"	"Max-Age"	✓	When the cookie expires, specified in seconds since <a href="#">Unix Epoch</a> . Must not be set if omitted when <a href="#">adding a cookie</a> .

A **serialized cookie** is a JSON [Object](#) where a [cookie's](#) [RFC6265] fields listed in the [table for cookie conversion](#) are mapped using the *JSON Key* and the associated field's value from the [cookie store](#). The optional fields may be omitted.

To get **all associated cookies** to a [document](#), the user agent must return the enumerated set of [cookies](#) that meet the requirements set out in the first step of the algorithm in [RFC6265] to [compute cookie-string](#) for an 'HTTP API', from the [cookie store](#) of the given [document's address](#). The returned cookies must include [HttpOnly cookies](#).

When the [remote end](#) is instructed to **create a cookie**, this is synonymous to carrying out the steps described in [RFC6265] [section 5.3](#), under [receiving a cookie](#), except the user agent may not ignore the received cookie in its entirety (disregard step 1).

To *delete cookies* given an optional filter argument *name* that is a string:

1. For each cookie among all associated cookies of the current browsing context's active document, run the substeps of the first matching condition:

↪ *name* is undefined

↪ *name* is equal to cookie name

Set the cookie expiry time to a Unix timestamp in the past.

↪ **Otherwise**

Do nothing.

## 16.1 Get All Cookies

HTTP Method	URI Template
GET	/session/{session id}/cookie

The remote end steps are:

1. If the current browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
2. Handle any user prompts, and return its value if it is an error.
3. Let *cookies* be a new JSON List.
4. For each *cookie* in all associated cookies of the current browsing context's active document:
  1. Let *serialized cookie* be the result of serializing *cookie*.
  2. Append *serialized cookie* to *cookies*
5. Return success with data *cookies*.

## 16.2 Get Named Cookie

HTTP Method	URI Template
GET	/session/{session id}/cookie/{name}

The remote end steps are:

1. If the current browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.

2. [Handle any user prompts](#), and return its value if it is an [error](#).
  3. If the [url variable name](#) matches a [cookie](#)'s [cookie name](#) amongst [all associated cookies](#) of the [current browsing context](#)'s [active document](#), return [success](#) with the [serialized cookie](#) as data.
- Otherwise, return [error](#) with [error code no such cookie](#).

## 16.3 Add Cookie

### HTTP Method    URI Template

HTTP Method	URI Template
POST	/session/{session id}/cookie

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *data* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **cookie** from the *parameters* argument.
2. If *data* is not a JSON [Object](#) with all the required (non-optional) JSON keys listed in the [table for cookie conversion](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
4. [Handle any user prompts](#), and return its value if it is an [error](#).
5. If the [current browsing context](#)'s [document element](#) is a [cookie-averse Document object](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid cookie domain](#).
6. If [cookie name](#) or [cookie value](#) is [null](#), [cookie domain](#) is not equal to the [current browsing context](#)'s [active document](#)'s [domain](#), [cookie secure only](#) or [cookie HTTP only](#) are not boolean types, or [cookie expiry time](#) is not an integer type, or it less than 0 or greater than the [maximum safe integer](#), return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
7. [Create a cookie](#) in the [cookie store](#) associated with the [active document](#)'s [address](#) using [cookie name](#) *name*, [cookie value](#) *value*, and an attribute-value list of the following cookie concepts listed in the [table for cookie conversion](#) from *data*:

#### [Cookie path](#)

The value if the entry exists, otherwise `"/"`.

#### [Cookie domain](#)

The value if the entry exists, otherwise the [current browsing context](#)'s [active document](#)'s [URL domain](#).

#### [Cookie secure only](#)

The value if the entry exists, otherwise false.



**Cookie HTTP only**

The value if the entry exists, otherwise false.

**Cookie expiry time**

The value if the entry exists, otherwise leave unset to indicate that this is a session cookie.

If there is an [error](#) during this step, return [error](#) with [error code unable to set cookie](#).

8. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

**16.4 Delete Cookie****HTTP Method    URI Template**

HTTP Method	URI Template
DELETE	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/cookie/{ <i>name</i> }

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#), and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. [Delete cookies](#) using the [url variable](#) *name* parameter as the filter argument.
4. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

**16.5 Delete All Cookies****HTTP Method    URI Template**

HTTP Method	URI Template
DELETE	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/cookie

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. [Handle any user prompts](#), and return its value if it is an [error](#).
3. [Delete cookies](#), giving no filtering argument.
4. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 17. *Actions*

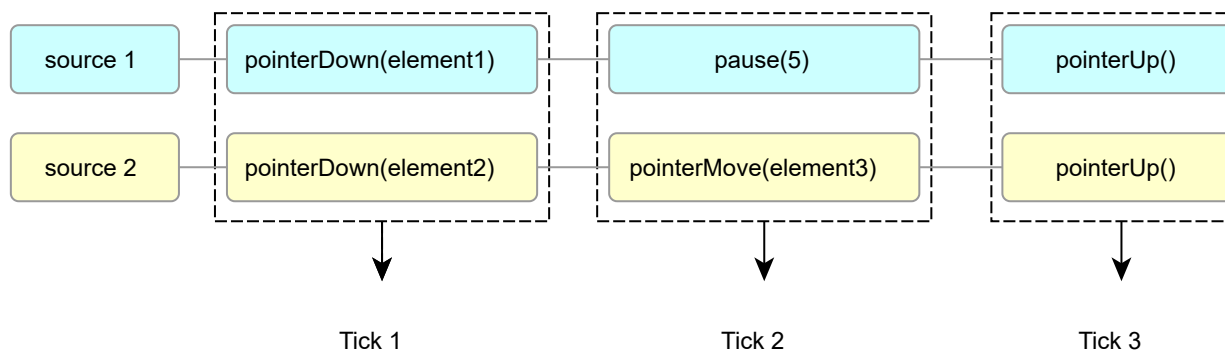
The Actions API provides a low-level interface for providing virtualised device input to the web browser. Conceptually, the Actions commands divide time into a series of [ticks](#). The [local end](#) sends a series of actions which correspond to the change in state, if any, of each input device during each [tick](#). For example, pressing a key is represented by an action sequence consisting of a single key input device and two [ticks](#), the first containing a [keyDown](#) action, and the second a [keyUp](#) action, whereas a pinch-zoom input is represented by an action sequence consisting of three [ticks](#) and two pointer input devices of type touch, each performing a sequence of actions [pointerDown](#), followed by [pointerMove](#), and then [pointerUp](#).

## EXAMPLE 11

Imagine we have two fingers acting on a touchscreen. One finger will press down on element1 at the same moment that another finger presses down on element2. Once these actions are done, the first finger will wait 5 seconds while the other finger moves to element3. Then both fingers release from the touchscreen.

When the [remote end](#) receives this, it will look at each [input source](#)'s action lists. It will dispatch the first action of each source together, then the second actions together, and lastly, the final actions together.

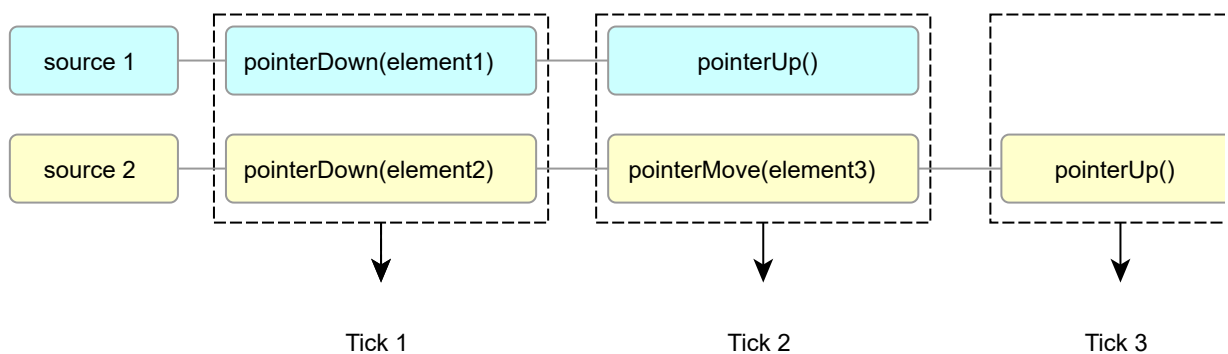
The diagram below displays when each action gets executed. "Source 1" is the first finger, and "source 2" is the second.



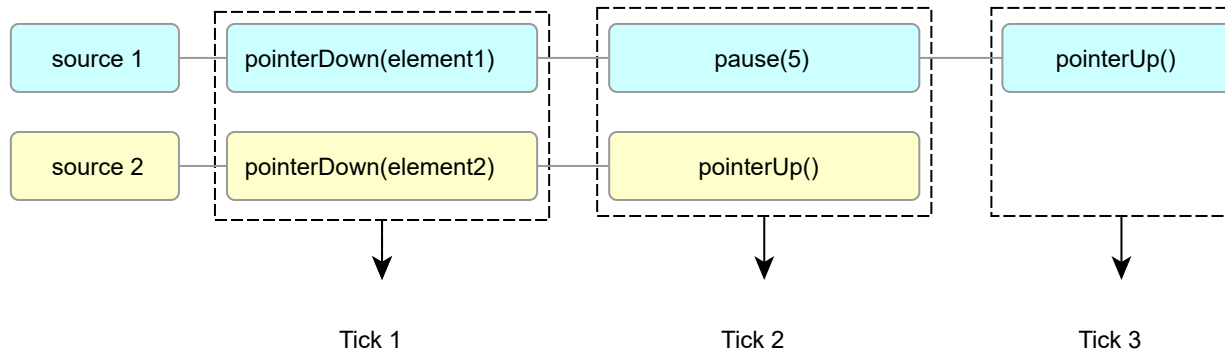
There is no limit to the number of [input sources](#), and there is no restriction regarding the length of each input's action list. This means, there is no requirement that all action lists have to be the same length. It is possible for one [input source](#)'s action list may have more actions than another.

In this case, the action list for the first finger contains 2 actions ([pointerDown](#), [pointerUp](#)), and the action list for the second finger contains 3 ([pointerDown](#), [pointerMove](#), [pointerUp](#)).

And the execution of each action will be done as follows:



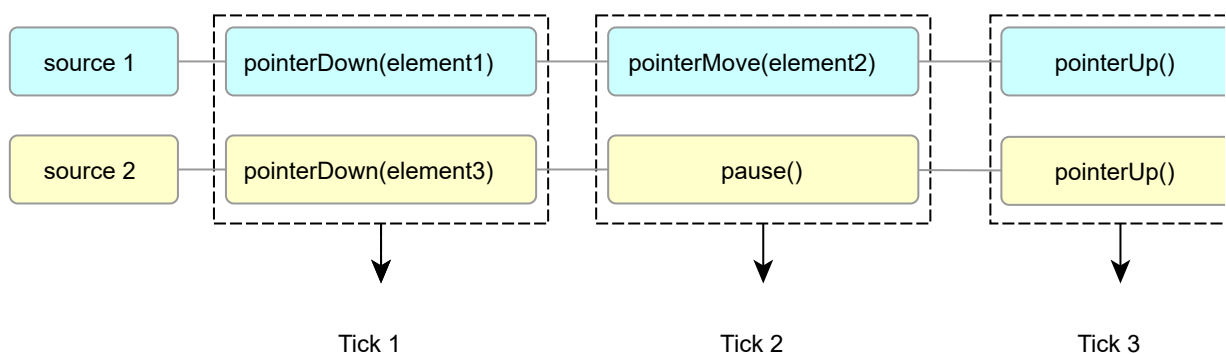
Specific timing for the actions can also be expressed. The [pause](#) action can be used to either (a) indicate a specific amount of time an [input source](#) must wait, or (b) can be used to signify that the current [input source](#) must wait until all other actions in the [tick](#) are completed. For the former case, the current [tick](#) being executed must wait for the longest pause to complete. For example, in this diagram:



The [remote end](#) will dispatch the [pointerDown](#) action in the first [tick](#). In the second [tick](#), since source 1 declares a [pause](#) of 5 seconds, the [remote end](#) will dispatch the [pointerUp](#) event for source 2, and will wait 5 seconds before moving on to executing the third [tick](#).

In the event that one [tick](#) contains multiple [pause](#) durations, the [remote end](#) will wait the maximum duration before moving on to executing the next [tick](#).

As noted before, [pause](#) can be used to signify inaction during a [tick](#). If [pause](#) is declared without a time period, then the [input source](#) will not have any actions executed in the containing [tick](#). As an example:



During [tick](#) 2, source 1 will have its [pointerMove](#) action dispatched, while source 2 will do nothing.

## 17.1 Terminology

An **input source** is a virtual device providing input events. Each [input source](#) has an associated **input id**, which is a string that identifies the particular device, and a **source type** which determines the kind of input the device can provide. As with real devices, virtual devices are stateful; this state is recorded in an [input source state](#) object associated with each [input source](#).

A **null input source** is an [input source](#) that is not associated with a specific physical device. A [null input source](#) supports the following actions:

Action	Non-normative Description
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<b>pause</b>	Used with an integer argument to specify the duration of a <a href="#">tick</a> , or as a placeholder to indicate that an <a href="#">input source</a> does nothing during a particular <a href="#">tick</a> .
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A **key input source** is an [input source](#) that is associated with a keyboard-type device. A [key input source](#) supports the same [pause](#) action as a [null input source](#) plus the following actions:

Action	Non-normative Description
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<b>keyDown</b>	Used to indicate that a particular key should be held down.
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<b>keyUp</b>	Used to indicate that a depressed key should be released.
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A **pointer input source** is an [input source](#) that is associated with a pointer-type input device. Such an [input source](#) has an associated **pointer type** specifying exactly which kind of pointing device it is associated with. A [pointer input source](#) supports the same [pause](#) action as a [null input source](#) plus the following actions:

Action	Non-normative Description
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<b>pointerDown</b>	Used to indicate that a pointer should be depressed in some way e.g. by holding a button down (for a mouse) or by coming into contact with the active surface (for a touch or pen device).
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<b>pointerUp</b>	Used to indicate that a pointer should be released in some way e.g. by releasing a mouse button or moving a pen or touch device away from the active surface.
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<b>pointerMove</b>	Used to indicate a location on the screen that a pointer should move to, either in its active (pressed) or inactive state.
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<b>pointerCancel</b>	Used to cancel a pointer action.
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Each [session](#) maintains a [list](#) of **active input sources**. This list is initially empty. When an [input source](#) is added to the list of [active input sources](#), a corresponding entry is made in the [input state table](#) where the key is the [input source](#)'s **input id** and the value is the [input source](#)'s [input source](#)

[state](#). When an [input source](#) is removed from the list of [active input sources](#), the corresponding entry in the [input state table](#) is also removed.

A **tick** is the basic unit of time over which actions can be performed. During a [tick](#), each [input source](#) has an assigned action — possibly a noop [pause](#) action — which may result in changes to the user agent internal state and eventually cause DOM events to be [fired](#) at the page. The next [tick](#) begins after the user agent has had a chance to process all DOM events generated in the current [tick](#).

**Waiting asynchronously** means waiting for something to occur whilst allowing the browser to continue processing the [event loop](#).

At the lowest level, the behavior of actions is intended to mimic the [remote end](#)'s behavior with an actual input device as closely as possible, and the implementation strategy may involve e.g. injecting synthesized events into a browser event loop. Therefore the steps to dispatch an action will inevitably end up in implementation-specific territory. However there are certain content observable effects that must be consistent across implementations. To accommodate this, the specification requires that [remote ends](#) **perform implementation-specific action dispatch steps**, along with a list of events and their properties. This list is not comprehensive; in particular the default action of the [input source](#) may cause additional events to be generated depending on the implementation and the state of the browser (e.g. input events relating to key actions when the focus is on an editable [element](#), scroll events, etc.).

#### NOTE

An [activation trigger](#) generated by the WebDriver API user needs to be indistinguishable from those generated by a real user interacting with the browser. In particular, the dispatched events will have the [isTrusted](#) attribute set to true. The most robust way to dispatch these events is by creating them in the browser implementation itself. Sending OS-specific input messages to the browser's window has the disadvantage that the browser being automated may not be properly isolated from a user accidentally modifying [input source state](#). Use of an OS-level accessibility API has the disadvantage that the browser's window must be focused, and as a result, multiple WebDriver instances cannot run in parallel.

An advantage of an OS-level accessibility API is that it guarantees that inputs correctly mirror user input, and allows interaction with the host OS if necessary. This might, however, have performance penalties from a machine utilisation perspective.

## 17.2 Input Source State

## NOTE

The objects and properties defined in this section are spec-internal constructs and do not correspond to ECMAScript objects. For convenience the same terminology is used for their manipulation.

"*Input source state*" is used as a generic term to describe the state associated with each [input source](#).

The *corresponding [input source state type](#)* for a label *action type* is given by the following table:

<i>Action type</i>	<i>Input state</i>
"none"	<a href="#">null input state</a>
"key"	<a href="#">key input state</a>
"pointer"	<a href="#">pointer input state</a>

A [null input source](#)'s [input source state](#) is a *null input state*. This is always an empty object.

A [key input source](#)'s [input source state](#) is a *key input state* object. This is an object with a property, **pressed**, which is a set of strings representing currently pressed keys and properties **alt**, **shift**, **ctrl**, and **meta**, which are [Booleans](#).

When required to *create a new key input state object*, an implementation must return a [key input state](#) object with the **pressed** property set to the empty set and **alt**, **shift**, **ctrl**, and **meta** all set to **false**.

A [pointer input source](#)'s [input source state](#) is a *pointer input state* object. This consists of a **subtype** property, which has the possible values "mouse", "pen", and "touch", a **pressed** property which is a set of unsigned integers, an **x** property which is an unsigned integer, and a **y** property which is an unsigned integer.

When required to *create a new pointer input state* object with arguments *subtype* an implementation must return a [pointer input state](#) object with **subtype** set to *subtype*, **pressed** set to an empty set and both **x** and **y** set to 0.

Each [session](#) has an associated *input state table*. This is a map between [input id](#) and the [input source state](#) for that [input source](#), with one entry for each item in the list of [active input sources](#).

Each [session](#) also has an associated *input cancel list*, which is a list of actions. This list is used to manage dispatching events when resetting the state of the [input sources](#). For simplicity the algorithms described here only append actions to the list and rely on the fact that the reset operations are idempotent.

The ***calculated global key state*** is the aggregated key state from all [key input state](#) objects. It can be calculated this way:

1. Let *pressed* be a new Set.
2. Let *alt*, *ctrl*, *meta*, and *shift* be the [Boolean](#) **false** value.
3. For enumerable [own property](#) in the [input state table](#):
  1. Let *source* be the value of the property.
  2. If *source* is not a [key input state](#), continue to the first step of this loop.
  3. Let *key state pressed* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **pressed** from *source*.
  4. Add all strings from *key state pressed* to *pressed*.
  5. Let *alt* be a logical OR of *alt* and the result of [getting a property](#) named **alt** from *source*.
  6. Let *ctrl* be a logical OR of *ctrl* and the result of [getting a property](#) named **ctrl** from *source*.
  7. Let *meta* be a logical OR of *meta* and the result of [getting a property](#) named **meta** from *source*.
  8. Let *shift* be a logical OR of *shift* and the result of [getting a property](#) named **shift** from *source*.
4. Let *state* be a new JSON [Object](#).
5. [Set a property](#) on *state* with name *pressed* and value *pressed*.
6. [Set a property](#) on *state* with name *alt* and value *alt*.
7. [Set a property](#) on *state* with name *ctrl* and value *ctrl*.
8. [Set a property](#) on *state* with name *meta* and value *meta*.
9. [Set a property](#) on *state* with name *shift* and value *shift*.
10. Return *state*.

## 17.3 Processing Actions Requests

The algorithm for [extracting an action sequence from a request](#) takes the JSON [Object](#) representing an action sequence, validates the input, and returns a data structure that is the transpose of the input JSON, such that the actions to be performed in a single [tick](#) are grouped together.



When required to **extract an action sequence** with argument *parameters*, a remote end must run the following steps:

1. Let *actions* be the result of getting a property from *parameters* named **actions**.
2. If *actions* is undefined or is not an Array, return error with error code invalid argument.
3. Let *actions by tick* be an empty List.
4. For each value *action sequence* corresponding to an indexed property in *actions*:
  1. Let *input source actions* be the result of trying to process an input source action sequence with argument *action sequence*.
  2. For each *action* in *input source actions*:
    1. Let *i* be the zero-based index of *action* in *input source actions*.
    2. If the length of *actions by tick* is less than  $i + 1$ , append a new List to *actions by tick*.
    3. Append *action* to the List at index *i* in *actions by tick*.
5. Return success with data *actions by tick*.

When required to **process an input source action sequence**, with argument *action sequence*, a remote end must run the following steps:

1. Let *type* be the result of getting a property named **type** from *action sequence*.
2. If *type* is not **"key"**, **"pointer"**, or **"none"**, return an error with error code invalid argument.
3. Let *id* be the result of getting the property **id** from *action sequence*.
4. If *id* is undefined or is not a String, return error with error code invalid argument.
5. If *type* is equal to **"pointer"**, let *parameters data* be the result of getting the property **"parameters"** from *action sequence*. Then let *parameters* be the result of trying to process pointer parameters with argument *parameters data*.
6. Let *source* be the input source in the list of active input sources where that input source's input id matches *id*, or undefined if there is no matching input source.
7. If *source* is undefined:
  1. Let *source* be a new input source created from the first match against *type*:

↪ **"none"**

Create a new [null input source](#).

↪ "key"

Create a new [key input source](#).

↪ "pointer"

Create a new [pointer input source](#). Let the new [input source](#)'s [pointer type](#) be set to the value of *parameters*'s [pointerType](#) property.

2. Add *source* to the [current session](#)'s list of [active input sources](#).
3. Add *source*'s [input source state](#) to the [current session](#)'s [input state table](#), keyed on *source*'s [input id](#).
8. If *source*'s [source type](#) does not match *type* return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
9. If *parameters* is not [undefined](#), then if its [pointerType](#) property does not match *source*'s [pointer type](#), return an [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
10. Let *action items* be the result of [getting a property](#) named [actions](#) from *action sequence*.
11. If *action items* is not an [Array](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
12. Let *actions* be a new list.
13. For each *action item* in *action items*:
  1. If *action item* is not an [Object](#) return [error](#) with [error code](#) [invalid argument](#).
  2. If *type* is "none" let *action* be the result of [trying](#) to [process a null action](#) with parameters *id*, and *action item*.
  3. Otherwise, if *type* is "key" let *action* be the result of [trying](#) to [process a key action](#) with parameters *id*, and *action item*.
  4. Otherwise, if *type* is "pointer" let *action* be the result of [trying](#) to [process a pointer action](#) with parameters *id*, *parameters*, and *action item*.
  5. Append *action* to *actions*.
14. Return [success](#) with data *actions*.

The **default pointer parameters** consist of an object with property [pointerType](#) set to [mouse](#).

When required to **process pointer parameters** with argument *parameters data*, a [remote end](#) must perform the following steps:

1. Let *parameters* be the [default pointer parameters](#).

2. If *parameters data* is [undefined](#), return [success](#) with data *parameters*.
3. If *parameters data* is not an [Object](#) return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
4. Let *pointer type* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **pointerType** from *parameters data*.
5. If *pointer type* is not [undefined](#):
  1. If *pointer type* does not have one of the values **"mouse"**, **"pen"**, or **"touch"** return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
  2. Set the **pointerType** property of *parameters* to *pointer type*.
6. Return [success](#) with data *parameters*.

An **action object** constructed with arguments *id*, *type*, and *subtype* is an object with property **id** set to *id*, **type** set to *type* and **subtype** set to *subtype*. Specific action objects have further properties added by other algorithms in this specification.

When required to **process a null action** with arguments *id* and *action item*, a [remote end](#) must perform the following steps:

1. Let *subtype* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **type** from *action item*.
2. If *subtype* is not **"pause"** return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. Let *action* be an [action object](#) constructed with arguments *id*, **"none"**, and *subtype*.
4. Let *result* be the result of [trying to process a pause action](#) with arguments *action item*, and *action*.
5. Return *result*.

When required to **process a key action** with arguments *id* and *action item*, a [remote end](#) must perform the following steps:

1. Let *subtype* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **type** from *action item*.
2. If *subtype* is not one of the values **"keyUp"**, **"keyDown"**, or **"pause"**, return an [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. Let *action* be an [action object](#) constructed with arguments *id*, **"key"**, and *subtype*.
4. If *subtype* is **"pause"**; let *result* be the result of [trying to process a pause action](#) with arguments *action item*, and *action*, and return *result*.
5. Let *key* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **value** from *action item*.

6. If *key* is not a [String](#) containing a single [unicode code point](#) or grapheme cluster? return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
7. Set the **value** property on *action* to *key*.
8. Return success with data *action*.

When required to **process a pointer action** with arguments *id*, *parameters*, and *action item*, a [remote end](#) must perform the following steps:

1. Let *subtype* be the result of [getting a property](#) named **type** from *action item*.
2. If *subtype* is not one of the values **pause**, **"pointerUp"**, **"pointerDown"**, **"pointerMove"**, or **"pointerCancel"** return an [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. Let *action* be an [action object](#) constructed with arguments *id*, **"pointer"**, and *subtype*.
4. If *subtype* is **"pause"**; let *result* be the result of [trying to process a pause action](#) with arguments *action item*, and *action*, and return *result*.
5. Set the **pointerType** property of *action* equal to the **pointerType** property of *parameters*.
6. If *subtype* is **"pointerUp"** or **"pointerDown"**, [process a pointer up or pointer down action](#) with arguments *action item*, and *action*. If doing so results in an [error](#), return that [error](#).
7. If *subtype* is **"pointerMove"** [process a pointer move action](#) with arguments *action item*, and *action*. If doing so results in an [error](#), return that [error](#).
8. If *subtype* is **"pointerCancel"** process a pointer cancel action. If doing so results in an [error](#), return that [error](#).
9. Return [success](#) with data *action*.

When required to **process a pause action** with arguments *action item*, and *action*, a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. Let *duration* be the result of [getting the property](#) **"duration"** from *action item*.
2. If *duration* is not [undefined](#) and *duration* is not an [Integer](#) greater than or equal to 0, return [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. Set the **duration** property of *action* to *duration*.
4. Return success with data *action*.

When required to **process a pointer up or pointer down action** with arguments *action item*, and *action*, a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. Let *button* be the result of getting the property **button** from *action item*.
2. If *button* is not an Integer greater than or equal to 0 return error with error code invalid argument.
3. Set the **button** property of *action* to *button*.
4. Return success with data null.

When required to **process a pointer move action** with arguments *action item*, and *action*, a remote end must run the following steps:

1. Let *duration* be the result of getting the property **duration** from *action item*.
2. If *duration* is not undefined and *duration* is not an Integer greater than or equal to 0, return error with error code invalid argument.
3. Set the **duration** property of *action* to *duration*.
4. Let *origin* be the result of getting the property origin from *action item*.
5. If *origin* is undefined let *origin* equal "**viewport**".
6. If *origin* is not equal to "**viewport**" or "**pointer**" and *origin* is not an Object that represents a web element, return error with error code invalid argument.
7. Set the **origin** property of *action* to *origin*.
8. Let *x* be the result of getting the property x from *action item*.
9. If *x* is not undefined or is not an Integer, return error with error code invalid argument.
10. Set the **x** property of *action* to *x*.
11. Let *y* be the result of getting the property y from *action item*.
12. If *y* is not undefined or is not an Integer, return error with error code invalid argument.
13. Set the **y** property of *action* to *y*.
14. Return success with data null.

## 17.4 Dispatching Actions

The algorithm to dispatch actions takes a list of actions grouped by tick, and then causes each action to be run at the appropriate point in the sequence.

When asked to ***dispatch actions*** with argument *actions by tick*, a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. For each item *tick actions* in *actions by tick*:
  1. Let *tick duration* be the result of [computing the tick duration](#) with argument *tick actions*.
  2. [Dispatch tick actions](#) with arguments *tick actions* and *tick duration*. If this results in an [error](#) return that error.
  3. Wait until the following conditions are all met:
    - There are no pending [asynchronous waits](#) arising from the last invocation of the [dispatch tick actions](#) steps.
    - The user agent event loop has spun enough times to process the DOM events generated by the last invocation of the [dispatch tick actions](#) steps.
    - At least *tick duration* milliseconds have passed.
2. Return success with data [null](#).

When required to ***compute the tick duration*** with argument *tick actions*, a [remote end](#) must take the following steps:

1. Let *max duration* be 0.
2. For each *action object* in *tick actions*:
  1. let *duration* be [undefined](#).
  2. If *action object* has **subtype** property set to **"pause"** or *action object* has **type** property set to **"pointer"** and **subtype** property set to **"pointerMove"**, let *duration* be equal to the **duration** property of *action object*.
  3. If *duration* is not [undefined](#), and *duration* is greater than *max duration*, let *max duration* be equal to *duration*.
3. Return *max duration*.

When required to ***dispatch tick actions*** with arguments *tick actions* and *tick duration*, a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. For each *action object* in *tick actions*:
  1. Let *source id* be equal to the value of *action object*'s **id** property.
  2. Let *source type* be equal to the value of *action object*'s **type** property.

3. If the [current session's input state table](#) doesn't have a property corresponding to *source id*, then let the property corresponding to *source id* be a new object of the [corresponding input source state type](#) for *source type*.
4. Let *device state* be the [input source state](#) corresponding to *source id* in the [current session's input state table](#).
5. Let *algorithm* be the value of the column *dispatch action algorithm* from the following table of **dispatch action algorithms** that matches the *source type* and the *action object's subtype* property, to a dispatch action algorithm.

<i>source type</i>	<i>subtype property</i>	<i>Dispatch action algorithm</i>
"none"	"pause"	<a href="#">Dispatch a pause action</a>
"key"	"pause"	<a href="#">Dispatch a pause action</a>
"key"	"keyDown"	<a href="#">Dispatch a keyDown action</a>
"key"	"keyUp"	<a href="#">Dispatch a keyUp action</a>
"pointer"	"pause"	<a href="#">Dispatch a pause action</a>
"pointer"	"pointerDown"	<a href="#">Dispatch a pointerDown action</a>
"pointer"	"pointerUp"	<a href="#">Dispatch a pointerUp action</a>
"pointer"	"pointerMove"	<a href="#">Dispatch a pointerMove action</a>
"pointer"	"pointerCancel"	<a href="#">Dispatch a pointerCancel action</a>

2. Return the result of running *algorithm* with arguments *source id*, *action object*, *device state* and *tick duration*.

### 17.4.1 General Actions

When required to **dispatch a pause action** with arguments *source id*, *action object*, *input state* and *tick duration* a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

### 17.4.2 Keyboard Actions

The **normalised key value** for a raw key *key* is, if *key* appears in the table below, the string value in the second column on the row containing *key's unicode code point* in the first column, otherwise it is *key*.

<i>key's codepoint</i>	<i>Normalised key value</i>
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\uE000	"Unidentified"
\uE001	"Cancel"
\uE002	"Help"
\uE003	"Backspace"
\uE004	"Tab"
\uE005	"Clear"
\uE006	"Return"
\uE007	"Enter"
\uE008	"Shift"
\uE009	"Control"
\uE00A	"Alt"
\uE00B	"Pause"
\uE00C	"Escape"
\uE00D	" "
\uE00E	"PageUp"
\uE00F	"PageDown"
\uE010	"End"
\uE011	"Home"
\uE012	"ArrowLeft"
\uE013	"ArrowUp"
\uE014	"ArrowRight"
\uE015	"ArrowDown"
\uE016	"Insert"
\uE017	"Delete"
\uE018	" ; "
\uE019	" = "
\uE01A	" 0 "
\uE01B	" 1 "
\uE01C	" 2 "
\uE01D	" 3 "
\uE01E	" 4 "
\uE01F	" 5 "



\uE020	"6"
\uE021	"7"
\uE022	"8"
\uE023	"9"
\uE024	"*"
\uE025	"+"
\uE026	", "
\uE027	"_ "
\uE028	". "
\uE029	"/ "
\uE031	"F1"
\uE032	"F2"
\uE033	"F3"
\uE034	"F4"
\uE035	"F5"
\uE036	"F6"
\uE037	"F7"
\uE038	"F8"
\uE039	"F9"
\uE03A	"F10"
\uE03B	"F11"
\uE03C	"F12"
\uE03D	"Meta"
\uE040	"ZenkakuHankaku"
\uE050	"Shift"
\uE051	"Control"
\uE052	"Alt"
\uE053	"Meta"
\uE054	"PageUp"
\uE055	"PageDown"
\uE056	"End"
\uE057	"Home"

\uE058	"ArrowLeft"
\uE059	"ArrowUp"
\uE05A	"ArrowRight"
\uE05B	"ArrowDown"
\uE05C	"Insert"
\uE05D	"Delete"

The *code* for *key* is the value in the last column of the following table on the row with *key* in either the first or second column, if any such row exists, otherwise it is [undefined](#).

A *shifted character* is one that appears in the second column of the following table.

Key	Alternate Key	code
"`"	"~"	"Backquote"
"\"	" "	"Backslash"
"\uE003"		"Backspace"
"["	"{"	"BracketLeft"
"]"	"}"	"BracketRight"
","	"<"	"Comma"
"0"	)"	"Digit0"
"1"	"!"	"Digit1"
"2"	"@"	"Digit2"
"3"	"#"	"Digit3"
"4"	"\$"	"Digit4"
"5"	"%"	"Digit5"
"6"	"^"	"Digit6"
"7"	"&"	"Digit7"
"8"	"*"	"Digit8"
"9"	"("	"Digit9"
"="	"+"	"Equal"
"<"	">"	"IntlBackslash"
"a"	"A"	"KeyA"
"b"	"B"	"KeyB"
"c"	"C"	"KeyC"

"d"	"D"	"KeyD"
"e"	"E"	"KeyE"
"f"	"F"	"KeyF"
"g"	"G"	"KeyG"
"h"	"H"	"KeyH"
"i"	"I"	"KeyI"
"j"	"J"	"KeyJ"
"k"	"K"	"KeyK"
"l"	"L"	"KeyL"
"m"	"M"	"KeyM"
"n"	"N"	"KeyN"
"o"	"O"	"KeyO"
"p"	"P"	"KeyP"
"q"	"Q"	"KeyQ"
"r"	"R"	"KeyR"
"s"	"S"	"KeyS"
"t"	"T"	"KeyT"
"u"	"U"	"KeyU"
"v"	"V"	"KeyV"
"w"	"W"	"KeyW"
"x"	"X"	"KeyX"
"y"	"Y"	"KeyY"
"z"	"Z"	"KeyZ"
"_"	"_"	"Minus"
"."	">"	"Period"
"'"	"'"	"Quote"
";"	":"	"Semicolon"
"/"	"?"	"Slash"
"\uE00A"		"AltLeft"
"\uE052"		"AltRight"
"\uE009"		"ControlLeft"
"\uE051"		"ControlRight"

"\uE006"	"Enter"
"\uE03D"	"OSLeft"
"\uE053"	"OSRight"
"\uE008"	"ShiftLeft"
"\uE050"	"ShiftRight"
" " "\uE00D"	"Space"
"\uE004"	"Tab"
"\uE017"	"Delete"
"\uE010"	"End"
"\uE002"	"Help"
"\uE011"	"Home"
"\uE016"	"Insert"
"\uE01E"	"PageDown"
"\uE01F"	"PageUp"
"\uE015"	"ArrowDown"
"\uE012"	"ArrowLeft"
"\uE014"	"ArrowRight"
"\uE013"	"ArrowUp"
"\uE00C"	"Escape"
"\uE031"	"F1"
"\uE032"	"F2"
"\uE033"	"F3"
"\uE034"	"F4"
"\uE035"	"F5"
"\uE036"	"F6"
"\uE037"	"F7"
"\uE038"	"F8"
"\uE039"	"F9"
"\uE03A"	"F10"
"\uE03B"	"F11"
"\uE03C"	"F12"
"\uE01A" "\uE05C"	"Numpad0"

"\uE01B"	"\uE056"	"Numpad1"
"\uE01C"	"\uE05B"	"Numpad2"
"\uE01D"	"\uE055"	"Numpad3"
"\uE01E"	"\uE058"	"Numpad4"
"\uE01F"		"Numpad5"
"\uE020"	"\uE05A"	"Numpad6"
"\uE021"	"\uE057"	"Numpad7"
"\uE022"	"\uE059"	"Numpad8"
"\uE023"	"\uE054"	"Numpad9"
"\uE024"		"NumpadAdd"
"\uE026"		"NumpadComma"
"\uE028"	"\uE05D"	"NumpadDecimal"
"\uE029"		"NumpadDivide"
"\uE007"		"NumpadEnter"
"\uE024"		"NumpadMultiply"
"\uE026"		"NumpadSubtract"

The **key location** for *key* is the value in the last column in the table below on the row with *key* appears in the first column, if such a row exists, otherwise it is 0.

<i>key's</i> codepoint	Description	Location
\uE007	Enter	1
\uE008	Left Shift	1
\uE009	Left Control	1
\uE00A	Left Alt	1
\uE01A	Numpad 0	3
\uE01B	Numpad 1	3
\uE01C	Numpad 2	3
\uE01D	Numpad 3	3
\uE01E	Numpad 4	3
\uE01F	Numpad 5	3
\uE020	Numpad 6	3
\uE021	Numpad 7	3
\uE022	Numpad 8	3

\uE023	Numpad 9	3
\uE024	Numpad *	3
\uE025	Numpad +	3
\uE026	Numpad ,	3
\uE027	Numpad -	3
\uE028	Numpad .	3
\uE029	Numpad /	3
\uE03D	Left Meta	1
\uE050	Right Shift	2
\uE051	Right Control	2
\uE052	Right Alt	2
\uE053	Right Meta	2
\uE054	Numpad PageUp	3
\uE055	Numpad PageDown	3
\uE056	Numpad End	3
\uE057	Numpad Home	3
\uE058	Numpad ArrowLeft	3
\uE059	Numpad ArrowUp	3
\uE05A	Numpad ArrowRight	3
\uE05B	Numpad ArrowDown	3
\uE05C	Numpad Insert	3
\uE05D	Numpad Delete	3

When required to ***dispatch a keyDown action*** with arguments *source id*, *action object*, *input state* and *tick duration* a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. Let *raw key* be equal to the *action object*'s **value** property.
2. Let *key* be equal to the [normalised key value](#) for *raw key*.
3. If the *input state*'s **pressed** property contains *key*, let *repeat* be true, otherwise let *repeat* be false.
4. Let *code* be the [code](#) for *raw key*.
5. Let *location* be the [key location](#) for *raw key*.

6. Let *charCode*, *keyCode* and *which* be the implementation-specific values of the **charCode**, **keyCode** and **which** properties appropriate for a key with key *key* and location *location* on a 102 key US keyboard, following the guidelines in [UI-EVENTS].
7. If *key* is "Alt", let *device state's alt* property be true.
8. If *key* is "Shift", let *device state's shift* property be true.
9. If *key* is "Control", let *device state's ctrl* property be true.
10. If *key* is "Meta", let *device state's meta* property be true.
11. Add *key* to the set corresponding to *input state's pressed* property.
12. Append a copy of *action object* with the *subtype* property changed to *keyUp* to current session's input cancel list.
13. Perform implementation-specific action dispatch steps equivalent to pressing a key on the keyboard in accordance with the requirements of [UI-EVENTS], and producing the following events, as appropriate, with the specified properties. This will always produce events including at least a **keyDown** event.

- **keyDown** with properties:

Attribute	Value
<b>key</b>	<i>key</i>
<b>code</b>	<i>code</i>
<b>location</b>	<i>location</i>
<b>altKey</b>	<i>device state's alt</i> property
<b>shiftKey</b>	<i>device state's shift</i> property
<b>ctrlKey</b>	<i>device state's ctrl</i> property
<b>metaKey</b>	<i>device state's meta</i> property
<b>repeat</b>	<i>repeat</i>
<b>isComposing</b>	<i>false</i>
<b>charCode</b>	<i>charCode</i>
<b>keyCode</b>	<i>keyCode</i>
<b>which</b>	<i>which</i>

- **keyPress** with properties:

Attribute	Value
<b>key</b>	<i>key</i>

<b>code</b>	<i>code</i>
<b>location</b>	<i>location</i>
<b>altKey</b>	<i>device state's alt property</i>
<b>shiftKey</b>	<i>device state's shift property</i>
<b>ctrlKey</b>	<i>device state's ctrl property</i>
<b>metaKey</b>	<i>device state's meta property</i>
<b>repeat</b>	<i>repeat</i>
<b>isComposing</b>	<i>false</i>
<b>charCode</b>	<i>charCode</i>
<b>keyCode</b>	<i>keyCode</i>
<b>which</b>	<i>which</i>

14. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

#### NOTE

A single [keyDown](#) action produces a single key input, irrespective of how long the key is held down; there is no implicit key repetition.

When required to **dispatch a keyUp action** with arguments *source id*, *action object*, *input state* and *tick duration* a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. Let *raw key* be equal to *action object's value* property.
2. Let *key* be equal to the [normalised key value](#) for *raw key*.
3. If the *input state's pressed* property does not contain *key*, return.
4. Let *code* be the [code](#) for *raw key*.
5. Let *location* be the [key location](#) for *raw key*.
6. Let *charCode*, *keyCode* and *which* be the implementation-specific values of the **charCode**, **keyCode** and **which** properties appropriate for a key with *key* and *location* *location* on a 102 key US keyboard, following the guidelines in [\[UI-EVENTS\]](#).
7. If *key* is "Alt", let *device state's alt* property be false.
8. If *key* is "Shift", let *device state's shift* property be false.
9. If *key* is "Control", let *device state's ctrl* property be false.



10. If *key* is "Meta", let *device state's meta* property be false.
11. Remove *key* from the set corresponding to *input state's pressed* property.
12. [Perform implementation-specific action dispatch steps](#) equivalent to releasing a key on the keyboard in accordance with the requirements of [\[UI-EVENTS\]](#), and producing at least the following events with the specified properties:
  - [keyup](#), with properties:

Attribute	Value
<a href="#">key</a>	<i>key</i>
<a href="#">code</a>	<i>code</i>
<a href="#">location</a>	<i>location</i>
<a href="#">altKey</a>	<i>device state's alt</i> property
<a href="#">shiftKey</a>	<i>device state's shift</i> property
<a href="#">ctrlKey</a>	<i>device state's ctrl</i> property
<a href="#">metaKey</a>	<i>device state's meta</i> property
<a href="#">repeat</a>	<i>false</i>
<a href="#">isComposing</a>	<i>false</i>
<a href="#">charCode</a>	<i>charCode</i>
<a href="#">keyCode</a>	<i>keyCode</i>
<a href="#">which</a>	<i>which</i>

13. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

### 17.4.3 Pointer Actions

When required to **dispatch a pointerDown action** with arguments *source id*, *action object*, *input state* and *tick duration* a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. Let *pointerType* be equal to *action object's pointerType* property.
2. Let *button* be equal to *action object's button* property.
3. If the *input state's pressed* property contains *button* return [success](#) with data [null](#).
4. Let *x* be equal to *input state's x* property.
5. Let *y* be equal to *input state's y* property.

6. Add *button* to the set corresponding to *input state*'s **pressed** property, and let *buttons* be the resulting value of that property.
7. Append a copy of *action object* with the *subtype* property changed to *pointerUp* to the current session's input cancel list.
8. Perform implementation-specific action dispatch steps equivalent to pressing the button numbered *button* on the pointer with ID *source id*, having type type *pointerType* at viewport x coordinate *x*, viewport y coordinate *y*, with buttons *buttons* depressed in accordance with the requirements of [UI-EVENTS] and [POINTER-EVENTS]. The generated events must set **ctrlKey**, **shiftKey**, **altKey**, and **metaKey** from the calculated global key state. Type specific properties for the pointer that are not exposed through the webdriver API must be set to the default value specified for hardware that doesn't support that property.
9. Return success with data null.

When required to **dispatch a pointerUp action** with arguments *source id*, *action object*, *input state* and *tick duration* a remote end must run the following steps:

1. Let *pointerType* be equal to *action object*'s **pointerType** property.
2. Let *button* be equal to *action object*'s **button** property.
3. If the *input state*'s **pressed** property does not contain *button*, return success with data null.
4. Let *x* be equal to *input state*'s **x** property.
5. Let *y* be equal to *input state*'s **y** property.
6. Remove *button* from the set corresponding to *input state*'s **pressed** property, and let *buttons* be the resulting value of that property.
7. Perform implementation-specific action dispatch steps equivalent to releasing the button numbered *button* on the pointer of ID *source id* having type type *pointerType* at viewport x coordinate *x*, viewport y coordinate *y*, with buttons *buttons* depressed, in accordance with the requirements of [UI-EVENTS] and [POINTER-EVENTS]. The generated events must set **ctrlKey**, **shiftKey**, **altKey**, and **metaKey** from the calculated global key state. Type specific properties for the pointer that are not exposed through the webdriver API must be set to the default value specified for hardware that doesn't support that property.
8. Return success with data null.

When required to **dispatch a pointerMove action** with arguments *source id*, *action object*, *input state* and *tick duration* a remote end must run the following steps:

1. Let *x offset* be equal to the **x** property of *action object*.

2. Let *y offset* be equal to the **y** property of *action object*.
3. Let *start x* be equal to the **x** property of *input state*.
4. Let *start y* be equal to the **y** property of *input state*.
5. Let *origin* be equal to the **origin** property of *action object*.
6. Run the substeps of the first matching value of *origin*:

**"viewport"**

Let *x* equal *x offset* and *y* equal *y offset*.

**"pointer"**

Let *x* equal *start x* + *x offset* and *y* equal *start y* + *y offset*.

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1. Let *element* be equal to the result of trying to get a known connected element with argument *origin*.
2. Let *x element* and *y element* be the result of calculating the in-view center point of *element*.
3. Let *x* equal *x element* + *x offset*, and *y* equal *y element* + *y offset*.
7. If *x* is less than 0 or greater than the width of the viewport in CSS pixels, then return error with error code move target out of bounds.
8. If *y* is less than 0 or greater than the height of the viewport in CSS pixels, then return error with error code move target out of bounds.
9. Let *duration* be equal to *action object's duration* property if it is not undefined, or *tick duration* otherwise.
10. If *duration* is greater than 0 and inside any implementation-defined bounds, asynchronously wait for an implementation defined amount of time to pass.

This wait allows the implementation to model the overall pointer move as a series of small movements occurring at an implementation defined rate (e.g. one movement per vsync).

11. Perform a pointer move with arguments *source id*, *input state*, *duration*, *start x*, *start y*, *x*, *y*.

When required to **perform a pointer move** with arguments *source id*, *input state*, *duration*, *start x*, *start y*, *target x* and *target y*, an implementation must run the following steps:

1. Let *subtype* equal the **subtype** property of *input state*.

2. Let *time delta* be the time since the beginning of the current [tick](#), measured in milliseconds on a monotonic clock.
3. Let *duration ratio* be the ratio of *time delta* and *duration*, if *duration* is greater than 0, or 1 otherwise.
4. If *duration ratio* is 1, or close enough to 1 that the implementation will not further subdivide the move action, let *last* be true. Otherwise let *last* be **false**.
5. If *last* is true, let *x* equal *target x* and *y* equal *target y*.

Otherwise let *x* equal an approximation to  $\text{duration ratio} \times (\text{target } x - \text{start } x) + \text{start } x$ , and *y* equal an approximation to  $\text{duration ratio} \times (\text{target } y - \text{start } y) + \text{start } y$ .

6. Let *current x* equal the **x** property of *input state*.
7. Let *current y* equal the **y** property of *input state*.
8. If *x* is not equal to *current x* or *y* is not equal to *current y*, run the following steps:
  1. Let *buttons* be equal to input state's **buttons** property.
  2. [Perform implementation-specific action dispatch steps](#) equivalent to moving the pointer with ID *source id* having type *pointerType* from viewport x coordinate *current x*, viewport y coordinate *y* to viewport x coordinate *x* and viewport y coordinate *y*, with buttons *buttons* depressed, in accordance with the requirements of [\[UI-EVENTS\]](#) and [\[POINTER-EVENTS\]](#). The generated events must set **ctrlKey**, **shiftKey**, **altKey**, and **metaKey** from the [calculated global key state](#). Type specific properties for the pointer that are not exposed through the WebDriver API must be set to the default value specified for hardware that doesn't support that property. In the case where the *pointerType* is **"pen"** or **"touch"**, and *buttons* is empty, this may be a no-op. For a pointer of type **"mouse"**, this will always produce events including at least a **pointerMove** event.
  3. Let *input state*'s **x** property equal *x* and **y** property equal *y*.
9. If *last* is true, return.
10. [Asynchronously wait](#) for an implementation defined amount of time to pass.

This wait allows the implementation to model the overall pointer move as a series of small movements occurring at an implementation defined rate (e.g. one movement per vsync).

11. [Perform a pointer move](#) with arguments *source id*, *input state*, *duration*, *start x*, *start y*, *target x*, *target y*.

When required to **dispatch a pointerCancel action** with arguments *source id*, *action object*, *input state* and *tick duration* a [remote end](#) must run the following steps:

1. [Perform implementation-specific action dispatch steps](#) equivalent to cancelling the any action of the pointer with ID *source id* having type *pointerType*, in accordance with the requirements of [\[UI-EVENTS\]](#) and [\[POINTER-EVENTS\]](#).

## 17.5 Perform Actions

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/actions
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The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *actions by tick* be the result of [trying](#) to [extract an action sequence](#) with argument *parameters*.
2. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
3. [Handle any user prompts](#). If this results in an [error](#), return that [error](#).
4. [Dispatch actions](#) with argument *actions by tick*. If this results in an [error](#) return that error.
5. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 17.6 Release Actions

### HTTP Method    URI Template

DELETE	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/actions
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#### NOTE

The [Release Actions command](#) is used to release all the keys and pointer buttons that are currently depressed. This causes events to be [fired](#) as if the state was released by an explicit series of actions. It also clears all the internal state of the virtual devices.

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code no such window](#).
2. Let *undo actions* be equal to the [current session's input cancel list](#) in reverse order.

3. [Dispatch tick actions](#) with arguments *undo actions* and duration 0.
4. Let the [current session's input cancel list](#) be an empty [List](#).
5. Let the [current session's input state table](#) be an empty map.
6. Let the [current session's active input sources](#) be an empty [list](#).
7. Return [success](#) with data [null](#).

## 18. User Prompts

This chapter describes interaction with various types of [user prompts](#). The common denominator for user prompts is that they are modal windows requiring users to interact with them before the [event loop](#) is [unpaused](#) and control is returned to the [current top-level browsing context](#).

By default [user prompts](#) are not handled automatically unless a [user prompt handler](#) has been defined. When a [user prompt](#) appears, it is the task of the subsequent [command](#) to handle it. If the subsequent requested [command](#) is not one listed in this chapter, an [unexpected alert open error](#) will be returned.

[User prompts](#) that are spawned from [beforeunload](#) event handlers, are [dismissed](#) implicitly upon [navigation](#) or [close window](#), regardless of the defined [user prompt handler](#).

A [user prompt](#) has an associated *user prompt message* that is the string message shown to the user, or [null](#) if the message length is 0.

The following *table of simple dialogs* enumerates all supported [simple dialogs](#), along with the [commands](#) that are allowed to interact with it as a non-normative reference:

Definition	Dialog	Interactions
<i>Alert</i>	<a href="#">window.alert</a>	<a href="#">Accept Alert</a>
		<a href="#">Dismiss Alert</a>
		<a href="#">Get Alert Text</a>
<i>Confirm</i>	<a href="#">window.confirm</a>	<a href="#">Dismiss Alert</a>
		<a href="#">Accept Alert</a>
		<a href="#">Get Alert Text</a>
<i>Prompt</i>	<a href="#">window.prompt</a>	<a href="#">Dismiss Alert</a>
		<a href="#">Accept Alert</a>
		<a href="#">Get Alert Text</a>
		<a href="#">Send Alert Text</a>

The **current user prompt** is said to be the active [user prompt](#), which can be one of the entries on the [table of simple dialogs](#).

To **dismiss** the [current user prompt](#), do so as if the user would click the **Cancel** or **OK** button, whichever is present, in that order.

To **accept** the [current user prompt](#), do so as if the user would click the **OK** button.

A **user prompt handler** is an [enumerated attribute](#) defining what action the [remote end](#) must take when a [user prompt](#) is encountered. This is defined by the [unhandled prompt behavior](#) capability. The following **known prompt handling approaches table** lists the keywords and states for the attribute:

Keyword	State	Description
"dismiss"	<b>Dismiss state</b>	All <a href="#">simple dialogs</a> encountered should be <a href="#">dismissed</a> .
"accept"	<b>Accept state</b>	All <a href="#">simple dialogs</a> encountered should be <a href="#">accepted</a> .
"dismiss and notify"	<b>Dismiss and notify state</b>	All <a href="#">simple dialogs</a> encountered should be <a href="#">dismissed</a> , and an error returned that the dialog was handled.
"accept and notify"	<b>Accept and notify state</b>	All <a href="#">simple dialogs</a> encountered should be <a href="#">accepted</a> , and an error returned that the dialog was handled.
"ignore"	<b>Ignore state</b>	All <a href="#">simple dialogs</a> encountered should be left to the user to handle.

When required to *deserialize as an unhandled prompt behavior* an argument *value*:

1. If *value* is not a [string](#) return an [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
2. If *value* is not present as a **keyword** in the [known prompt handling approaches table](#) return an [error](#) with [error code invalid argument](#).
3. Return [success](#) with data *value*.

An **annotated unexpected alert open error** is an [error](#) with [error code unexpected alert open](#) and an optional [error data](#) dictionary with the following entries:

**"text"**

The [current user prompt](#)'s [message](#).

In order to **handle any user prompts** a [remote end](#) must take the following steps:

1. If there is no [current user prompt](#), abort these steps and return [success](#).
2. Perform the following substeps based on the [current session](#)'s [user prompt handler](#):

↪ [dismiss state](#)

Dismiss the current user prompt.

↪ accept state

Accept the current user prompt.

↪ dismiss and notify state

1. Dismiss the current user prompt.

2. Return an annotated unexpected alert open error.

↪ accept and notify state

1. Accept the current user prompt.

2. Return an annotated unexpected alert open error.

↪ ignore state

Return an annotated unexpected alert open error.

↪ missing value default state

↪ not in the table of simple dialogs

1. Dismiss the current user prompt.

2. Return an annotated unexpected alert open error.

3. Return success.

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When returning an error with unexpected alert open, a remote end may choose to return the user prompt message as part of an additional "data" Object on the error representation:

```
{
  "error": "unexpected alert open",
  "message": "implementation defined",
  "stacktrace": "",
  "data": {
    "text": "the text from the alert"
  }
}
```

## 18.1 Dismiss Alert

HTTP Method    URI Template

POST            /session/{session id}/alert/dismiss



**NOTE**

The Dismiss Alert command dismisses a simple dialog if present. A request to dismiss an alert user prompt, which may not necessarily have a dismiss button, has the same effect as accepting it.

The remote end steps are:

1. If the current top-level browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
2. If there is no current user prompt, return error with error code no such alert.
3. Dismiss the current user prompt.
4. Return success with data null.

## 18.2 *Accept Alert*

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/alert/accept
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The remote end steps are:

1. If the current top-level browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
2. If there is no current user prompt, return error with error code no such alert.
3. Accept the current user prompt.
4. Return success with data null.

## 18.3 *Get Alert Text*

### HTTP Method    URI Template

GET	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/alert/text
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The remote end steps are:

1. If the current top-level browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
2. If there is no current user prompt, return error with error code no such alert.
3. Let *message* be the text message associated with the current user prompt, or otherwise be null.
4. Return success with data *message*.

## 18.4 Send Alert Text

### HTTP Method    URI Template

POST	/session/{ <i>session id</i> }/alert/text
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#### NOTE

The Send Alert Text command sets the text field of a window.prompt user prompt to the given value.

The remote end steps are:

1. Let *text* be the result of getting the property "text" from *parameters*.
2. If *text* is not a String, return error with error code invalid argument.
3. If the current top-level browsing context is no longer open, return error with error code no such window.
4. If there is no current user prompt, return error with error code no such alert.
5. Run the substeps of the first matching current user prompt:
  - ↪ alert
  - ↪ confirm
    - Return error with error code element not interactable.
  - ↪ prompt
    - Do nothing.
  - ↪ **Otherwise**
    - Return error with error code unsupported operation.
6. Perform user agent dependent steps to set the value of current user prompt's text field to *text*.
7. Return success with data null.

## 19. Screen Capture

Screenshots are a mechanism for providing additional visual diagnostic information. They work by dumping a snapshot of the [initial viewport](#)'s framebuffer as a lossless PNG image. It is returned to the [local end](#) as a Base64 encoded string.

WebDriver provides the [Take Screenshot command](#) to capture the [top-level browsing context](#)'s [initial viewport](#), and a [command Take Element Screenshot](#) for doing the same with the visible region of an [element](#)'s [bounding rectangle](#) after it has been [scrolled into view](#).

In order to *draw a bounding box from the framebuffer*, given a [rectangle](#):

1. If either the [initial viewport](#)'s width or height is 0 [CSS pixels](#), return [error](#) with [error code unable to capture screen](#).
2. Let *paint width* be the [initial viewport](#)'s width – [min](#)([rectangle x coordinate](#), [rectangle x coordinate](#) + [rectangle width dimension](#)).
3. Let *paint height* be the [initial viewport](#)'s height – [min](#)([rectangle y coordinate](#), [rectangle y coordinate](#) + [rectangle height dimension](#)).
4. Let *canvas* be a new [canvas element](#), and set its [width](#) and [height](#) to *paint width* and *paint height*, respectively.
5. Let *context*, a [canvas context mode](#), be the result of invoking the [2D context creation algorithm](#) given *canvas* as the target.
6. Complete implementation specific steps equivalent to drawing the region of the framebuffer specified by the following coordinates onto *context*:

**X coordinate**

[rectangle x coordinate](#)

**Y coordinate**

[rectangle y coordinate](#)

**Width**

*paint width*

**Height**

*paint height*

7. Return [success](#) with *canvas*.

To *encode as Base64 a [canvas element](#)*:

1. If the [canvas element](#)'s bitmap's [origin-clean](#) flag is set to false, return [error](#) with [error code unable to capture screen](#).

2. If the [canvas element](#)'s bitmap has no pixels (i.e. either its horizontal dimension or vertical dimension is zero) then return [error](#) with [error code](#) [unable to capture screen](#).
3. Let *file* be [a serialization of the canvas element's bitmap as a file](#), using `"image/png"` as an argument.
4. Let *data url* be a [data: URL](#) representing *file*. [\[RFC2397\]](#)
5. Let *index* be the [index of](#) `" , "` in *data url*.
6. Let *encoded string* be a [substring](#) of *data url* using (*index* + 1) as the *start* argument.
7. Return [success](#) with data *encoded string*.

## 19.1 Take Screenshot

### HTTP Method    URI Template

HTTP Method	URI Template
GET	/session/{session id}/screenshot

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. If the [current top-level browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [no such window](#).
2. When the user agent is next to [run the animation frame callbacks](#):
  1. Let *root rect* be the [current top-level browsing context](#)'s [document element](#)'s [rectangle](#).
  2. Let *screenshot* be the result of [trying](#) to call [draw a bounding box from the framebuffer](#), given *root rect* as an argument.
  3. Let *canvas* be a [canvas element](#) of *screenshot result*'s data.
  4. Let *encoding* be the result of [trying encoding as Base64](#) *canvas*.
  5. Let *encoded string* be *encoding result*'s data.
3. Return [success](#) with data *encoded string*.

## 19.2 Take Element Screenshot

### HTTP Method    URI Template

HTTP Method	URI Template
GET	/session/{session id}/element/{element id}/screenshot

## NOTE

The [Take Element Screenshot command](#) takes a screenshot of the visible region encompassed by the [bounding rectangle](#) of an [element](#). If given a parameter argument [scroll](#) that evaluates to false, the [element](#) will not be [scrolled into view](#).

The [remote end steps](#) are:

1. Let *scroll* be the result of [getting the property](#) [scroll](#) from *parameters* if it is not [undefined](#). Otherwise let it be true.
2. If the [current browsing context](#) is [no longer open](#), return [error](#) with [error code](#) [no such window](#).
3. Let *element* be the result of [trying](#) to [get a known connected element](#) with [url variable](#) *element id*.
4. If asked to *scroll*, [scroll into view](#) the *element*.
5. When the user agent is next to [run the animation frame callbacks](#):
  1. Let *element rect* be *element*'s [rectangle](#).
  2. Let *screenshot result* be the result of [trying](#) to call [draw a bounding box from the framebuffer](#), given *element rect* as an argument.
  3. Let *canvas* be a [canvas element](#) of *screenshot result*'s data.
  4. Let *encoding result* be the result of [trying encoding as Base64](#) *canvas*.
  5. Let *encoded string* be *encoding result*'s data.
6. Return [success](#) with data *encoded string*.

## A. Privacy Considerations

It is advisable that [remote ends](#) create a new profile when [creating a new session](#). This prevents potentially sensitive session data from being accessible to new [sessions](#), ensuring both privacy and preventing state from bleeding through to the next session.

## B. Security Considerations

A user agent can rely on a command-line flag or a configuration option to test whether to enable WebDriver, or alternatively make the user agent initiate or confirm the connection through a privileged content document or control widget, in case the user agent does not directly implement the HTTP endpoints.

It is strongly suggested that user agents require users to take explicit action to enable WebDriver, and that WebDriver remains disabled in publicly consumed versions of the user agent.

To prevent arbitrary machines on the network from connecting and creating [sessions](#), it is suggested that only connections from loopback devices are allowed by default.

The [remote end](#) can include a configuration option to limit the accepted IP range allowed to connect and make requests. The default setting for this might be to limit connections to the IPv4 localhost CIDR range `127.0.0.0/8` and the IPv6 localhost address `::1`. [\[RFC4632\]](#)

It is also suggested that user agents make an effort to visually distinguish a user agent session that is under control of WebDriver from those used for normal browsing sessions. This can be done through a browser chrome element such as a “door hanger”, colorful decoration of the OS window, or some widget element that is prevalent in the window so that it easy to identify automation windows.

## C. Element Displayedness

Although WebDriver does not define a primitive to ascertain the visibility of an [element](#) in the [viewport](#), we acknowledge that it is an important feature for many users. Here we include a recommended approach which will give a simplified approximation of an [element](#)'s visibility, but please note that it relies only on tree-traversal, and only covers a subset of visibility checks.

The visibility of an [element](#) is guided by what is perceptually visible to the human eye. In this context, an [element](#)'s displayedness does not relate to the [visibility](#) or [display](#) style properties.

The approach recommended to implementors to ascertain an [element](#)'s visibility was originally developed by the [Selenium](#) project, and is based on crude approximations about an [element](#)'s nature and relationship in the tree. An [element](#) is in general to be considered visible if any part of it is drawn on the canvas within the boundaries of the viewport.

The *element displayed* algorithm is a boolean state where `true` signifies that the element is displayed and `false` signifies that the element is not displayed. To compute the state on *element*, invoke the [Call](#)(`bot.dom.isShown`, `null`, *element*). If doing so does not produce an error, return the return value from this function call. Otherwise return an [error](#) with [error code unknown error](#).

This function is typically exposed to `GET` requests with a [URI Template](#) of `/session/{session id}/element/{element id}/displayed`.

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