Limitations of partial link text

→ Element should be a link

eg: inbox(7)

→ Link should (or) element should be partially changing

eg: 7

(or)

<a> 7

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css selector: (cascading style sheet)

→ In selenium css selector is one of the Locator, the syntax is as followed:

Syn: tag [Attribute Name : Attribute value]

eg: a [id = 'd1']

a [name = 'n1']

a [class = 'c1']

a [href = 'https://www.jspiders.com/']

This are called as css Expression.

Note:

We can check the css Expression in the browser by using following steps:

→ Inspect any element

→ press ctrl+F

→ Type the above expressions

→ 1 of 1 = one matching elements

→ 1 of 3 → multiple matching

0 of 0 → No matching element

eg: css Selector

```
class Democssselector{
static{
System.setProperty("webdriver.chrome.driver","./driver/chromedriver.exe");
}
PSVM(){
WebDriver driver = new ChromeDriver();
driver.get("file:///C:/Users/Admin/Desktop/Demo.html");
driver.findElement(By.cssselector("a[id='dI']")).click();
driver.navigate().back();
driver.findElement(By.cssselector("a[name='nI']")).click();
driver.navigate().back();
driver.findElement(By.cssselector("a[class='cI']")).click();
driver.navigate().back();
driver.findElement(By.cssselector("a[href='https://www.jspiders.com/']")).click
}}
```

Note:

→ The limitations of css selector is we cannot use text. (or) It does not support text.

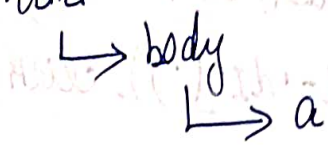
→ If we do any syntax mistake while writing css expressions (or) X-Path then will get invalid selector ~~exp~~ EXception.

X-Path

→ It is the path of element in a html tree is called as X-Path.

→ while writting X-path it starts with dot (.) which also represents current html document (or) current web page. using dot (.) is not mandatory

html tree:



X-Path

./html/body/a
(or)
/html/body/a
→ X-path expression.

using X-path in selenium

driver.findElement(By.Xpath("html/body/a")).click();

Note:

we navigate from parent element to child element we use single (/)

/ → represents child.

Types of X-Path

→ Absolute X-Path

→ Relative X-Path

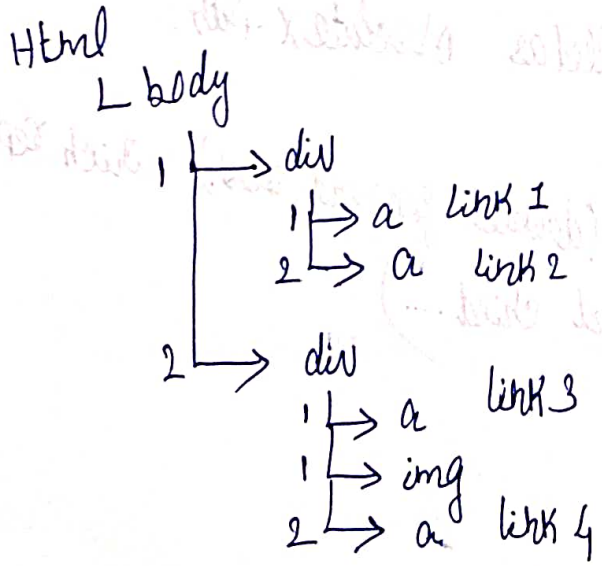
Relative X-path:

a) X-path by attribute
b) X-path by text function.
c) X-path by contains function
d) Traversing Xpath
e) independent dependent Xpath
f) Xpath by group index.

Absolute X-path

Starting from the html tag to the required (or) desired element is called as absolute X-path.

X-path index



In X-path we can use an index which starts from 1, then if there is another element under the same parent with the same tag then index become 2 and so on.

X-path

link 1 → /html/body/div[1]/a[1]

link 2 → /html/body/div[1]/a[2]

link 3 → /html/body/div[2]/a[1]

link 4 → /html/body/div[2]/a[2]

link 1 & 2 → /html/body/div[1]/a

link 3 & 4 → /html/body/div[2]/a

link 1 & 3 → /html/body/div/a[1]

link 2 & 4 → /html/body/div/a[2]

image → /html/body/div[2]/img (or) /html/body/div/img

link 1,2,3,4 → /html/body/div/a

All the above x-path are called as Absolute x-path.

Relative X-path:

Relative x-path starts with // (double forward slash) which represents descendants (child, grand child, great grand child ....)

link 1 → //div[1]/a[1]

link 2 → //div[1]/a[2]

link 3 → //div[2]/a[1]

link 4 → //div[2]/a[2]

link 1 & 2 → //div[1]/a

link 3 & 4 → //div[2]/a

link 1 & 3 → //div/a[1]

link 2 & 4 → //div/a[2]

image → //div[2]/img (or) //div/img.