

Testing With Selenium

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What is Selenium?

Selenium automates browsers. That's it! What you do with that power is entirely up to you.



Why do I want to use Selenium?

- Testing your models and controllers are great because you are testing the backend logic of your app, but what about the frontend user experience?
- Selenium automates a user clicking around in your application
- Catch view bugs, dead buttons, wrong routes, javascript errors, etc..

What do I need to do to get started?

- Let's start simple with the Firefox IDE:
 - Open Firefox
 - [Http://docs.seleniumhq.org/download/](http://docs.seleniumhq.org/download/)
 - Cmd+f to search for the keyword Firefox
 - Should take you about $\frac{1}{3}$ of the page down
 - Click on the version number to download the Selenium plugin for Firefox
 - Restart Firefox

How do I use the Firefox IDE?

- Open Firefox
- Go to the website you want to automate
- Click on the Selenium IDE button at the top or go to plugins and launch the IDE from there
- Click on the record button at the top right
- Start using the website for a specific test like a normal user would. (eg. login / logout test)
- If you are running tests against your local install of your website, start your server in test mode so you don't disturb your development data. (rails s -p 3001 -e test)

Thats awesome, lets do it in Rails with RSpec!

- Why do we want to do this in Rails?
 - clear out the database
 - write more complex tests
 - write our own tests
 - cleanup the test that the IDE generated
 - store our tests in our version control system so our other team members can run them

Rails Setup

```
rails new selenium_example -T -d postgresql
```

```
group :development, :test do  
  gem 'rspec-rails'  
  gem 'capybara'  
  gem 'selenium-webdriver'  
  gem 'database_cleaner'  
end
```

```
bundle install
```

```
rails generate rspec:install
```

rails_helper.rb Setup

- add these 2 lines at the top of your file where the other requires are
 - `require 'rspec/rails'`
 - `require 'capybara/rspec'`

rails_helper.rb setup cont...

```
RSpec.configure do |config|
```

```
  # Remove this line if you're not using ActiveRecord or ActiveRecord fixtures
```

```
  config.fixture_path = "#{::Rails.root}/spec/fixtures"
```

```
  config.use_transactional_fixtures = false
```

```
  config.before(:each) do
```

```
    DatabaseCleaner.strategy = :transaction
```

```
  end
```

```
  config.before(:each, :js => true) do
```

```
    DatabaseCleaner.strategy = :truncation
```

```
  end
```

```
  config.before(:each) do
```

```
    DatabaseCleaner.start
```

```
  end
```

```
  config.after(:each) do
```

```
    DatabaseCleaner.clean
```

```
  end
```

```
  config.infer_spec_type_from_file_location!
```

```
end
```

Rails Setup Cont...

- add a couple of models
- add controllers for those models and fill out all of the CRUD actions
- code out the views
- start writing view specs

Spec Folder Setup

- Create a folder inside of the spec folder and name it features
- Create your spec file inside of the features folder. Make sure it ends with `_spec.rb`

Basic Spec Setup

```
require 'rails_helper'

feature 'Empty Classrooms', :js => true do
  before(:each) do
    visit root_path
  end

  scenario 'correct empty message' do
    expect(page).to have_content('No Classrooms Found. Please Create One!')
  end

  scenario 'create classrooms link exists' do
    expect(page).to have_content('New Classroom')
  end
end
```

Capybara DSL

- <https://github.com/jnicklas/capybara#the-dsl>
- Navigating
- Clicking links and buttons
- Interacting with forms
- Querying
- Finding
- Scoping
- Working with windows
- Scripting
- Modals
- Debugging
- Gotchas

Navigating

`visit('/projects')`

=> url version

`visit(post_comments_path(post))`

=> rails helper version

Navigation Expectations

```
expect(current_path).to eq(post_comments_path(post))
```

Clicking links and buttons

`click_link('id-of-link')`

`click_link('Link Text')`

`click_button('Save')`

`click_on('Link Text') # clicks on either links or buttons`

`click_on('Button Value')`

Interacting with forms

```
fill_in('First Name', :with => 'John')
```

```
fill_in('Password', :with => 'Seekrit')
```

```
fill_in('Description', :with => 'Really Long Text...')
```

```
choose('A Radio Button')
```

```
check('A Checkbox')
```

```
unchecked('A Checkbox')
```

```
attach_file('Image', '/path/to/image.jpg')
```

```
select('Option', :from => 'Select Box')
```

Querying

```
page.has_selector?('table tr')
```

```
page.has_css?('table tr.foo')
```

```
page.has_content?('foo')
```

Querying Expectations

`expect(page).to have_selector('table tr')`

`expect(page).to have_css('table tr.foo')`

`expect(page).to have_content('foo')`

Finding

```
find_field('First Name').value
```

```
find_link('Hello', :visible => :all).visible?
```

```
find_button('Send').click
```

```
find("#overlay").find("h1").click
```

```
all('a').each { |a| a[:href] }
```

Finding Expectations

```
find('#navigation').click_link('Home')
```

```
expect(find('#navigation')).to have_button('Sign out')
```

Scoping

```
within("li#employee") do  
  fill_in 'Name', :with => 'Jimmy'  
end
```

```
within_fieldset('Employee') do  
  fill_in 'Name', :with => 'Jimmy'  
end
```

```
within_table('Employee') do  
  fill_in 'Name', :with => 'Jimmy'  
end
```

Working with windows

```
facebook_window = window_opened_by do  
  click_button 'Like'  
end
```

```
within_window facebook_window do  
  find('#login_email').set('a@example.com')  
  find('#login_password').set('qwerty')  
  click_button 'Submit'  
end
```

Scripting

```
page.execute_script("$('body').empty()")
```

```
result = page.evaluate_script('4 + 4');
```


Modals

```
accept_alert do  
  click_link('Show Alert')  
end
```

```
dismiss_confirm do  
  click_link('Show Confirm')  
end
```

```
accept_prompt(with: 'Linus Torvalds') do  
  click_link('Show Prompt About Linux')  
end
```

Modals Expectations

```
message = accept_prompt(with: 'Linus Torvalds') do  
  click_link('Show Prompt About Linux')  
end
```

```
expect(message).to eq('Who is the chief architect of  
Linux?')
```

Debugging

`save_and_open_page`

`print page.html`

`page.save_screenshot('screenshot.png')`

`save_and_open_screenshot`

Gotchas

- Access to session and request is not possible from the test, Access to response is limited.
- Access to Rails specific stuff (such as controller) is unavailable, since we're not using Rails' integration testing.

Run your specs!

- bundle exec rspec spec/features
 - this command should open up a new browser and start running your view specs

Project

- Create a new rails application with Capybara and RSpec installed
- Add a Scientist model, add a Robot model
- A Scientist has_many :robots
- A Robot belongs_to :scientist
- Fill out the CRUD actions for each
- Use Capybara, Selenium with RSpec to test your views

Resources

- <https://github.com/jnicklas/capybara#the-dsl>
- <http://www.rubydoc.info/github/jnicklas/capybara/master>
- <http://humblecoder.me/tag/capybara-tutorial/>