# **Selenium Mouse Keyboard Actions**

In Selenium with Java, Actions class is used to handle advanced user interactions like mouse movements, keyboard actions, click and hold, drag and drop, and composite actions. It is part of the org.openqa.selenium.interactions package.

## ☑ Import the Required Classes

```
import org.openqa.selenium.interactions.Actions;
import org.openqa.selenium.WebDriver;
import org.openqa.selenium.WebElement;
```

# Mouse Actions using Actions Class

#### 1. Move to Element (Mouse Hover)

```
java

Actions actions = new Actions(driver);
actions.moveToElement(element).perform();
```

#### 2. Right Click (Context Click)

```
java
actions.contextClick(element).perform();
```

#### 3. Double Click

```
java
actions.doubleClick(element).perform();
```

#### 4. Click and Hold

```
java
actions.clickAndHold(element).perform();
```

#### 5. Release (after clickAndHold)

```
java
actions.release().perform();
```

### 6. Drag and Drop

```
java
actions.dragAndDrop(sourceElement, targetElement).perform();
```

#### 7. Drag and Drop by Offset

```
java
actions.dragAndDropBy(sourceElement, xOffset, yOffset).perform();
```

## Keyboard Actions using Actions Class

### 1. Send Keys to Element

```
java
actions.sendKeys(element, "text").perform();
```

### 2. Key Down and Key Up

```
java

// Example: Press SHIFT and type in capital
actions.keyDown(Keys.SHIFT)
    .sendKeys("hello")
    .keyUp(Keys.SHIFT)
    .perform();
```

### 3. Send Keys Without Focusing an Element

```
java
actions.sendKeys(Keys.ENTER).perform();
```

## Composite Actions

You can **chain multiple actions** together before calling .perform():



```
.build()
.perform();
```

.build() is optional unless you're combining multiple actions.



## **Example: Hover and Click Submenu**

```
WebElement menu = driver.findElement(By.id("menu"));
WebElement subMenu = driver.findElement(By.id("submenu"));
Actions actions = new Actions(driver);
actions.moveToElement(menu).pause(1000).click(subMenu).perform();
```

# **X** Best Practices

- Always call .perform() to execute the action.
- Use .build() when chaining multiple actions before .perform().
- Use Thread.sleep() or .pause() if UI animations are involved.

Would you like a hands-on mini project or lab example using Actions class?