Kofax Kapow 10.3 Training and Certification

Module 8 – Input Variables/More Loops

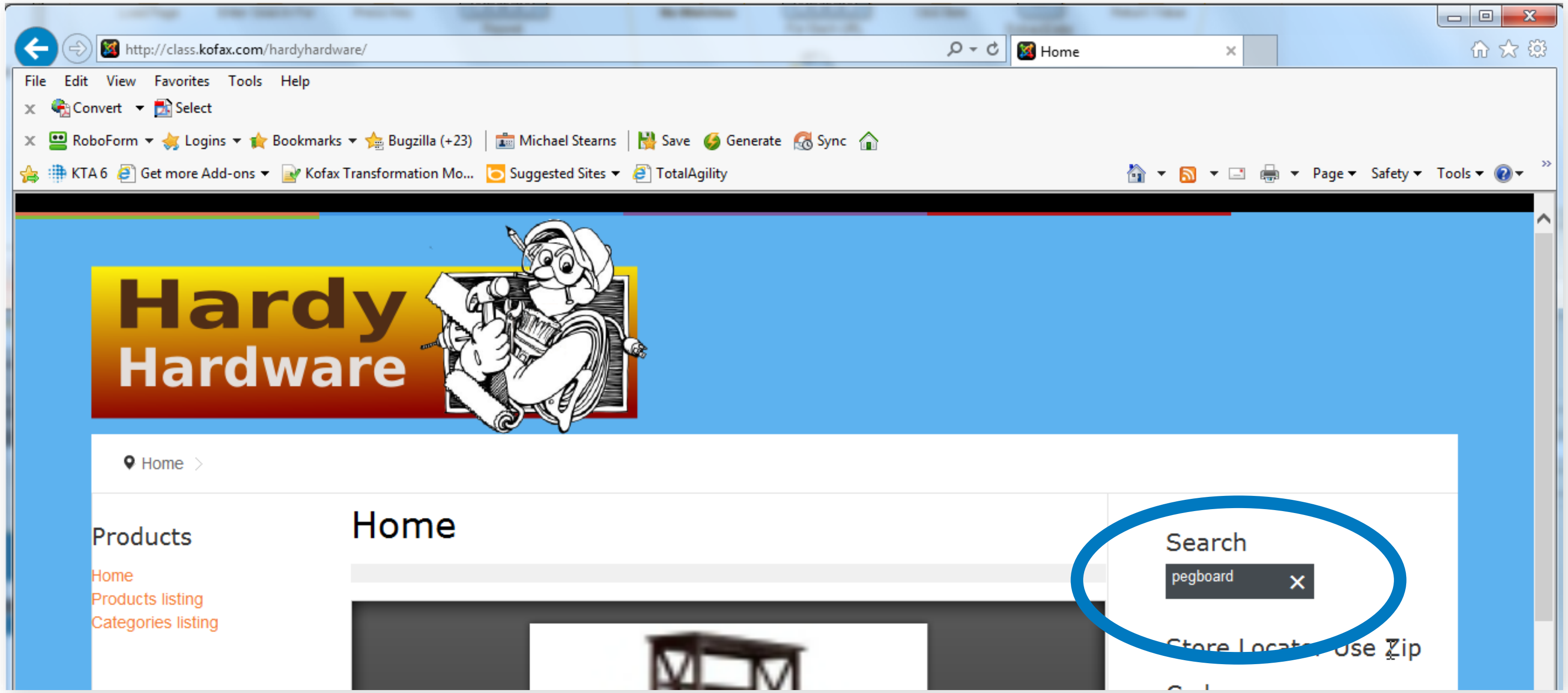
Using a variable for input
Repeat/Next Loops

Kofax Kapow Module Overview

- What we Want to Do
- Creating a New Complex Type for Input
- Creating a New Robot
- Creating an Input Variable
- Entering Text as a Variable Value
- Looping through Lines and Pages
- Branches
- Extracting Values
- Try Steps
- Returning and Logging Error Text
- Returning Values

What We Want to Do

- We want to extract data for all items matching a search for a particular item on the HardyHardware web site.
- If no matching items are found, we want our Robot to terminate, but return a descriptive message to the log file.

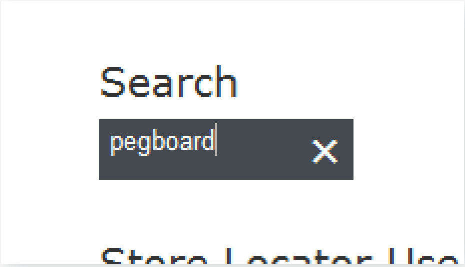


http://class.kofax.com/hardyhardware/

Search: pegboard

How Does a Human Do It?

- To accomplish this, an operator would have to manually type a value in the search box and then press the Enter key.
- This value will change depending on what you want to search for.
- Creating an Input Variable will accomplish what we want to do.



Search

pegboard

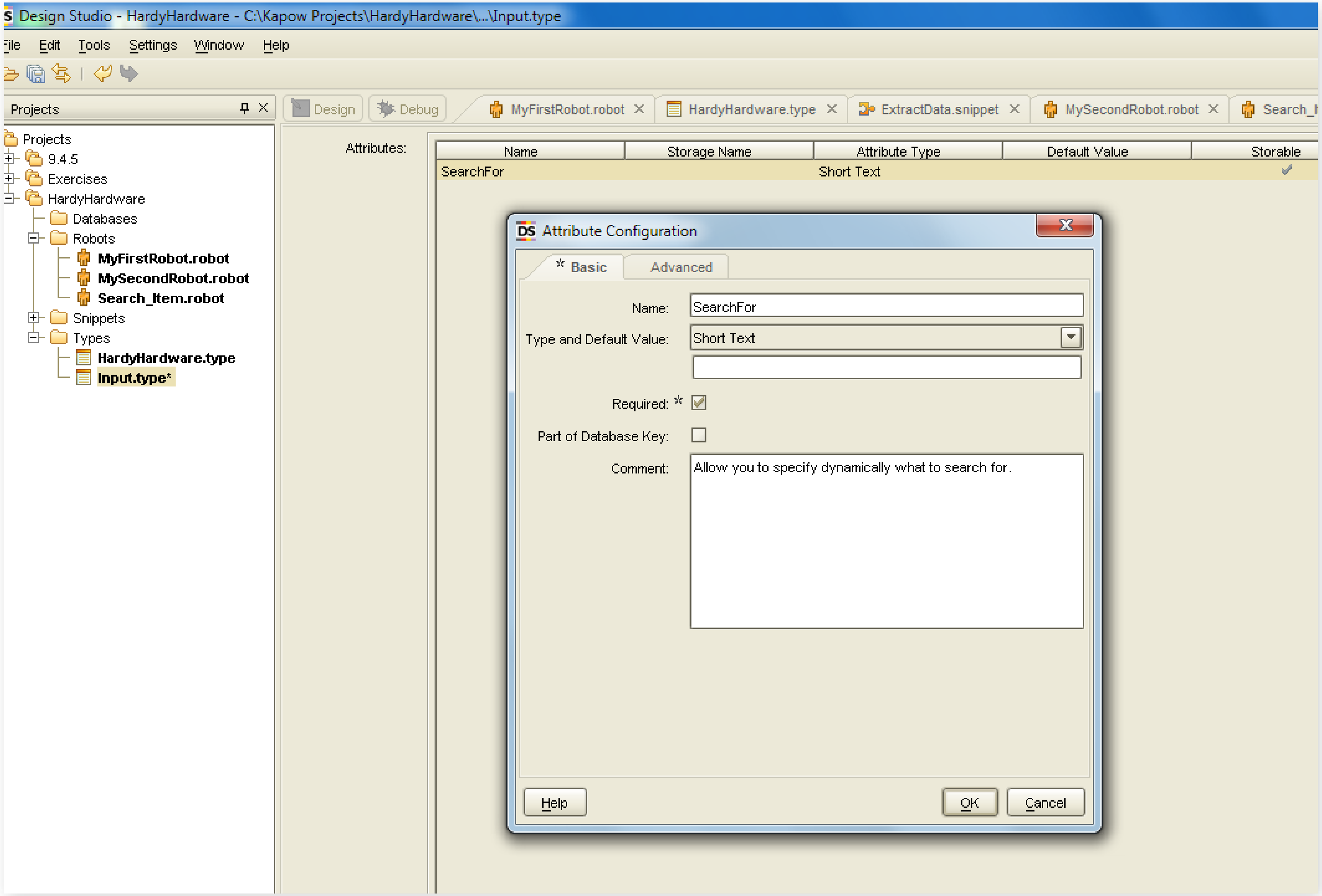
Store Locator Use

A Little Bit about Variables

- Every variable can be associated with a default initial value that it retains unless the robot explicitly reassigns it, which it often will as values are extracted and manipulated during the execution. Most robots output the values of variables, e.g. by returning them to the caller or inserting them in a database. Robots might also take **input values** which are then assigned to specific variables that have been marked as receiving their values from input. These are simply called **input variables**.
- An important difference between variables of complex and simple types is that variables of simple types <u>cannot be used as input variables</u>, and their values cannot be output. However, they are useful, for instance, for extracting temporary data or as global counters. Generally, simple variables should be viewed as temporary variables, internal to the robot. They are not associated with Types.

Create a New Type

- So…we're creating a new Type called "Input" with one Attribute called SearchFor. It is marked "Required."



Attributes:

Name	Storage Name	Attribute Type	Default Value	Storable
SearchFor		Short Text		✓

Name: SearchFor

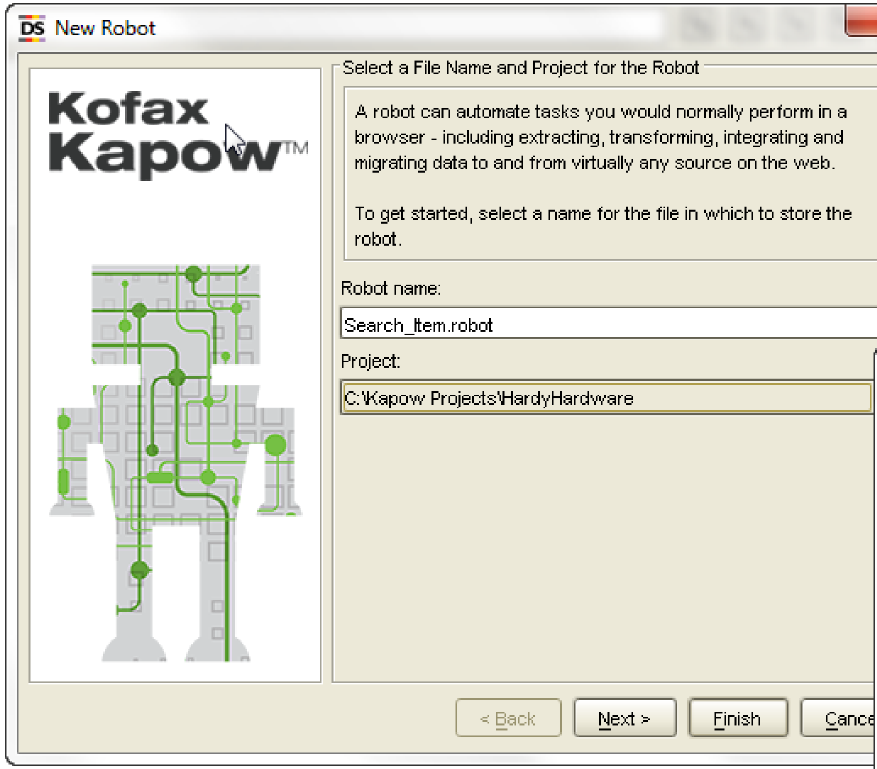
Type and Default Value: Short Text

Required: * ☑

Part of Database Key: □

Comment: Allow you to specify dynamically what to search for.

Create a New Robot



New Robot

Select a File Name and Project for the Robot

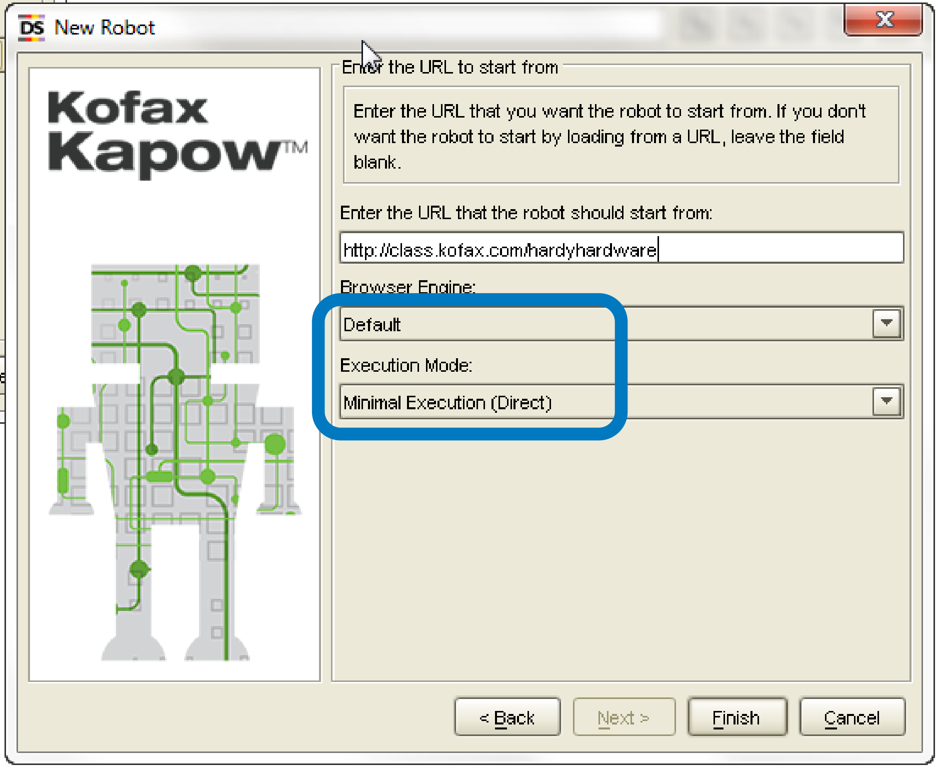
A robot can automate tasks you would normally perform in a browser - including extracting, transforming, integrating and migrating data to and from virtually any source on the web.

To get started, select a name for the file in which to store the robot.

Robot name: Search_Item.robot

Project: C:\Kapow Projects\HardyHardware

We'll create a new robot for this task. But remember, we can use the Snippet created earlier to extract what we want.



New Robot

Enter the URL to start from

Enter the URL that you want the robot to start from. If you don't want the robot to start by loading from a URL, leave the field blank.

Enter the URL that the robot should start from: http://class.kofax.com/hardyhardware

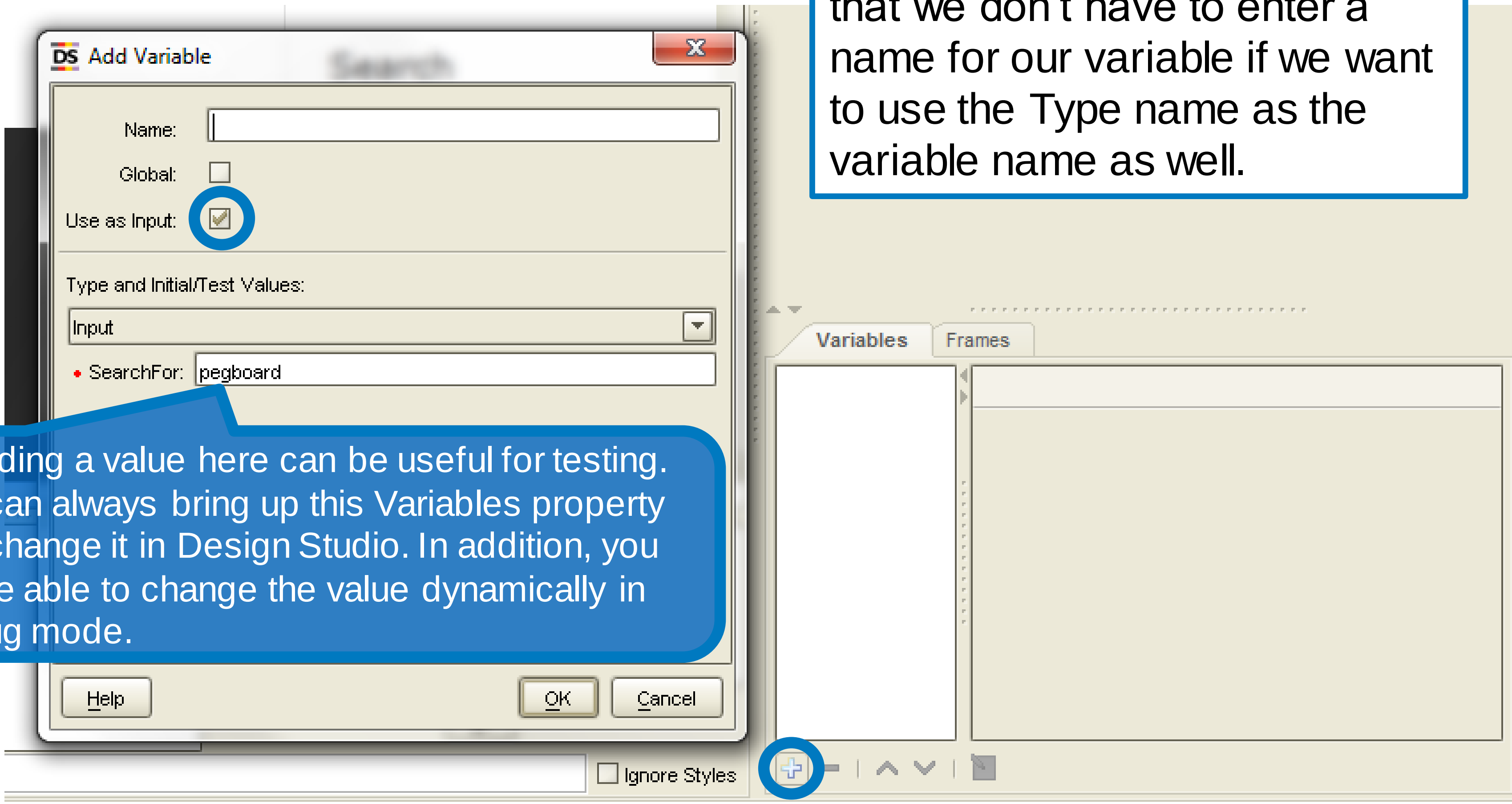
Browser Engine: Default

Execution Mode: Minimal Execution (Direct)

For the reasons discussed in an earlier module, the Default engine and Minimal Execution are going to be our choices here as well.

Add Variables

We'll add our Input Type…*as an input variable.* We do this by checking "Use as Input." Note that we don't have to enter a name for our variable if we want to use the Type name as the variable name as well.



Add Variable

Name:

Global: □

Use as Input: ☑

Type and Initial/Test Values:

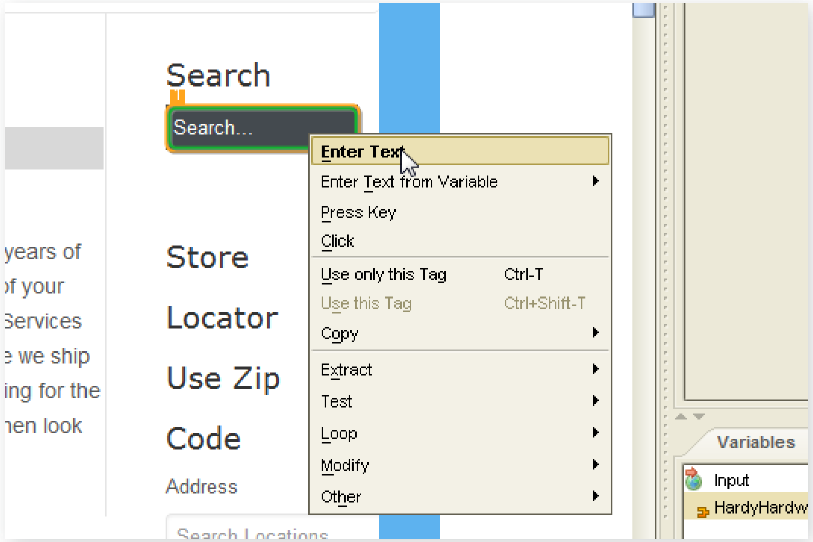
Input

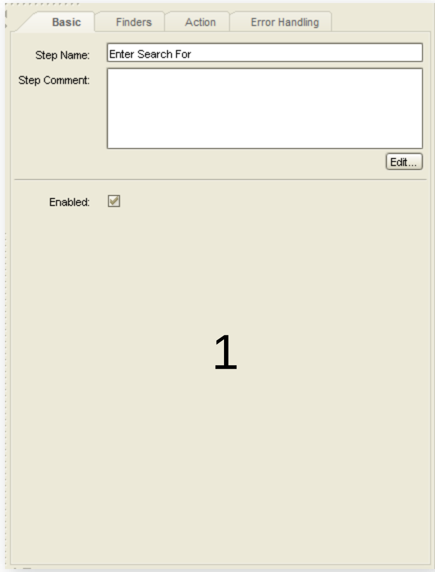
SearchFor: pegboard

Providing a value here can be useful for testing. You can always bring up this Variables property and change it in Design Studio. In addition, you will be able to change the value dynamically in Debug mode.

After the Load Page Step, add an Enter Text Action Step

- The Enter Text Step replicates the input a human operator would provide to do a lookup of specific items





Step Name: Enter Search For

Step Comment:

Enabled: ☑

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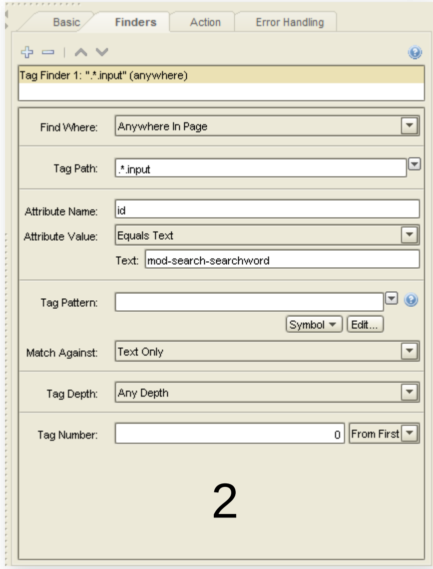


Tag Finder 1: ".*.input" (anywhere)

Find Where: Anywhere In Page

Tag Path: .*.input

Attribute Name: id

Attribute Value: Equals Text

Text: mod-search-searchword

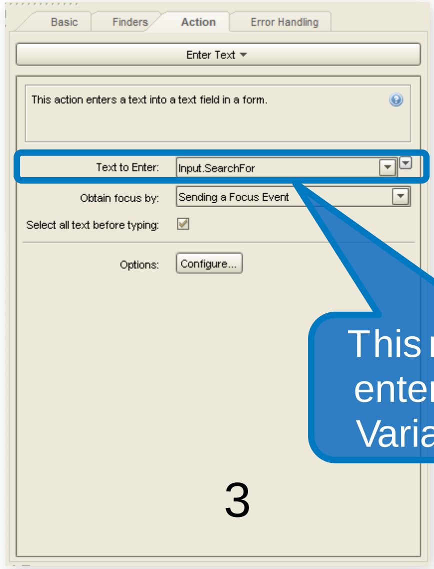
Tag Pattern:

Match Against: Text Only

Tag Depth: Any Depth

Tag Number: 0 From First

2



This action enters a text into a text field in a form.

Text to Enter: Input.SearchFor

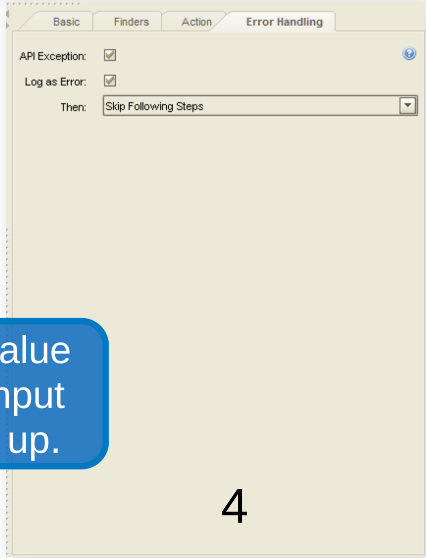
Obtain focus by: Sending a Focus Event

Select all text before typing: ☑

Options: Configure...

3

This maps the value entered to the Input Variable we set up.



API Exception: ☑

Log as Error: ☑

Then: Skip Following Steps

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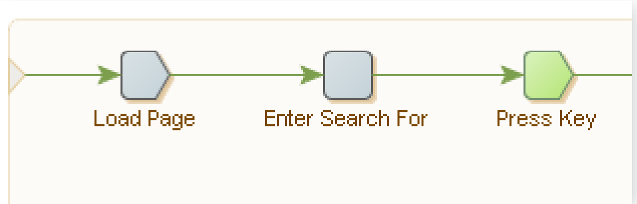
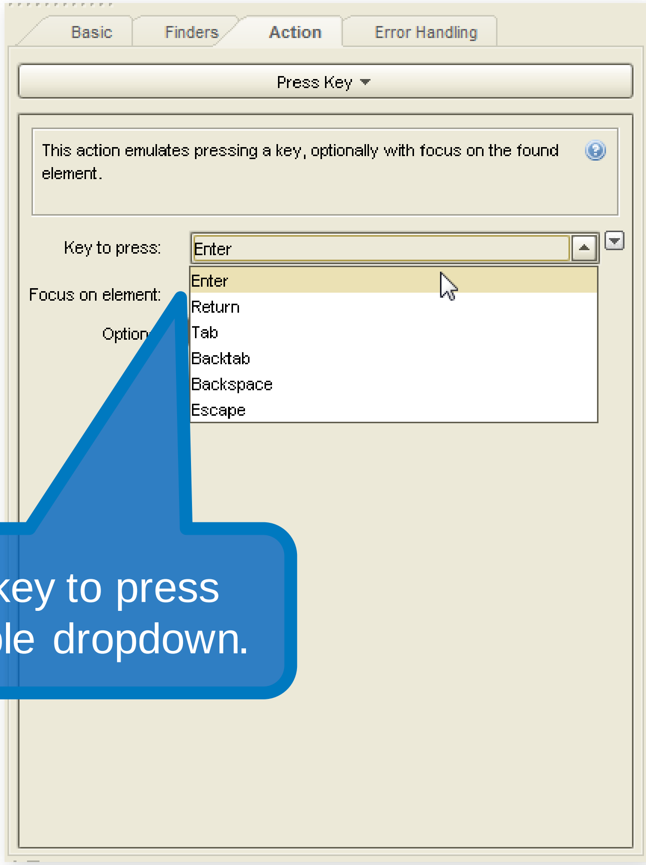
Press Key Action Step

- Next, an operator would press the [Enter] key to execute the search. We can do the same thing by adding a Press Key Action Step.





This action emulates pressing a key, optionally with focus on the found element.

Key to press: Enter

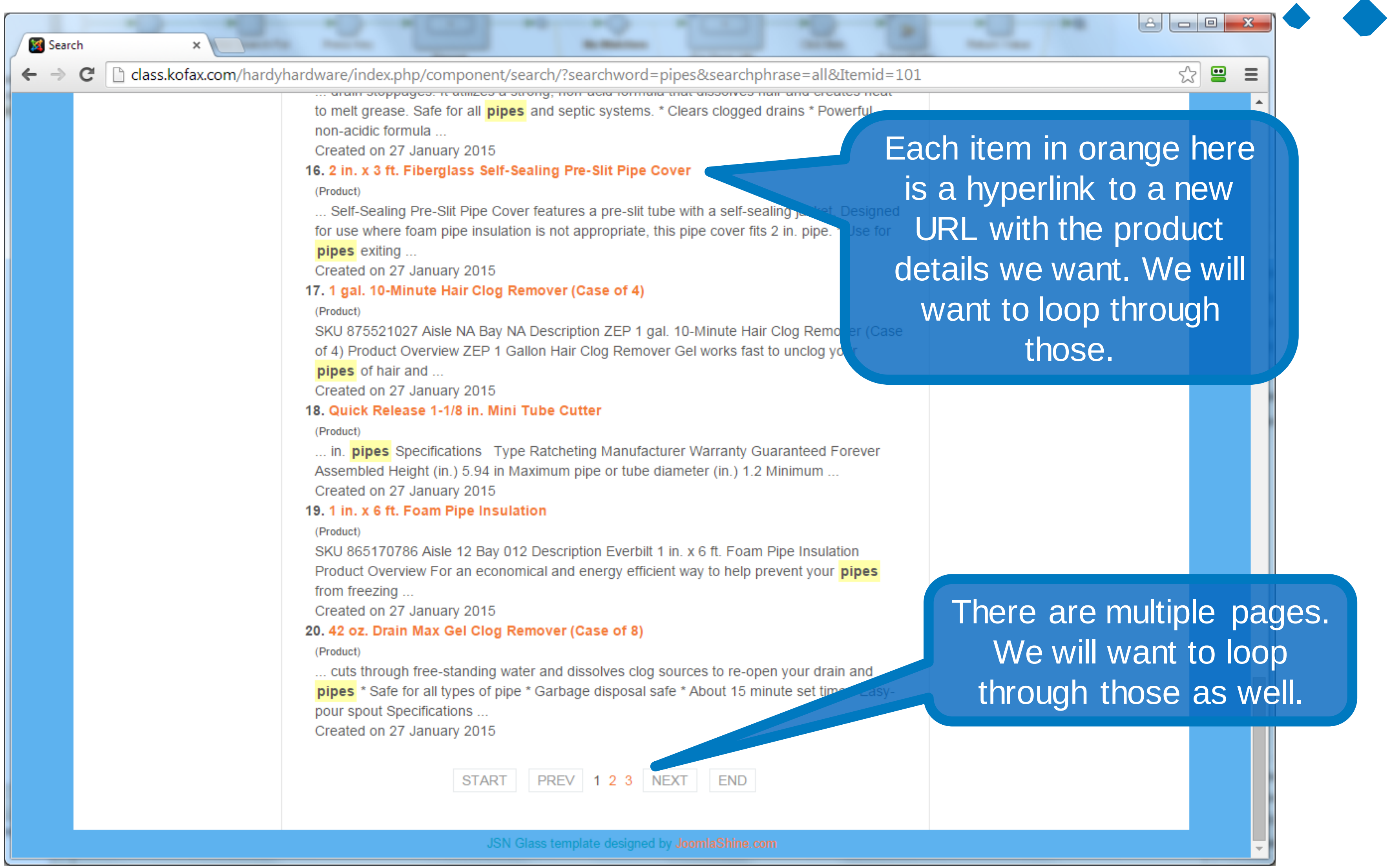
Focus on element:

Option

Select which key to press from the available dropdown.

So where are we? What's next?

- So far, we've entered a URL, entered a search and pressed [Enter]. This is an example of what shows up when we search for "Pipes."
- There a many results on multiple lines, and on multiple pages.
- Note there is a [Next] button at the bottom of the page.



class.kofax.com/hardyhardware/index.php/component/search/?searchword=pipes&searchphrase=all&Itemid=101

... drain stoppages. It utilizes a strong, non-acid formula that dissolves hair and creates heat to melt grease. Safe for all **pipes** and septic systems. * Clears clogged drains * Powerful non-acidic formula ...
Created on 27 January 2015

16. 2 in. x 3 ft. Fiberglass Self-Sealing Pre-Slit Pipe Cover
(Product)
... Self-Sealing Pre-Slit Pipe Cover features a pre-slit tube with a self-sealing jacket. Designed for use where foam pipe insulation is not appropriate, this pipe cover fits 2 in. pipe. * Use for **pipes** exiting ...
Created on 27 January 2015

17. 1 gal. 10-Minute Hair Clog Remover (Case of 4)
(Product)
SKU 875521027 Aisle NA Bay NA Description ZEP 1 gal. 10-Minute Hair Clog Remover (Case of 4) Product Overview ZEP 1 Gallon Hair Clog Remover Gel works fast to unclog your **pipes** of hair and ...
Created on 27 January 2015

18. Quick Release 1-1/8 in. Mini Tube Cutter
(Product)
... in. **pipes** Specifications Type Ratcheting Manufacturer Warranty Guaranteed Forever Assembled Height (in.) 5.94 in Maximum pipe or tube diameter (in.) 1.2 Minimum ...
Created on 27 January 2015

19. 1 in. x 6 ft. Foam Pipe Insulation
(Product)
SKU 865170786 Aisle 12 Bay 012 Description Everbilt 1 in. x 6 ft. Foam Pipe Insulation Product Overview For an economical and energy efficient way to help prevent your **pipes** from freezing ...
Created on 27 January 2015

20. 42 oz. Drain Max Gel Clog Remover (Case of 8)
(Product)
... cuts through free-standing water and dissolves clog sources to re-open your drain and **pipes** * Safe for all types of pipe * Garbage disposal safe * About 15 minute set time * Easy-pour spout Specifications ...
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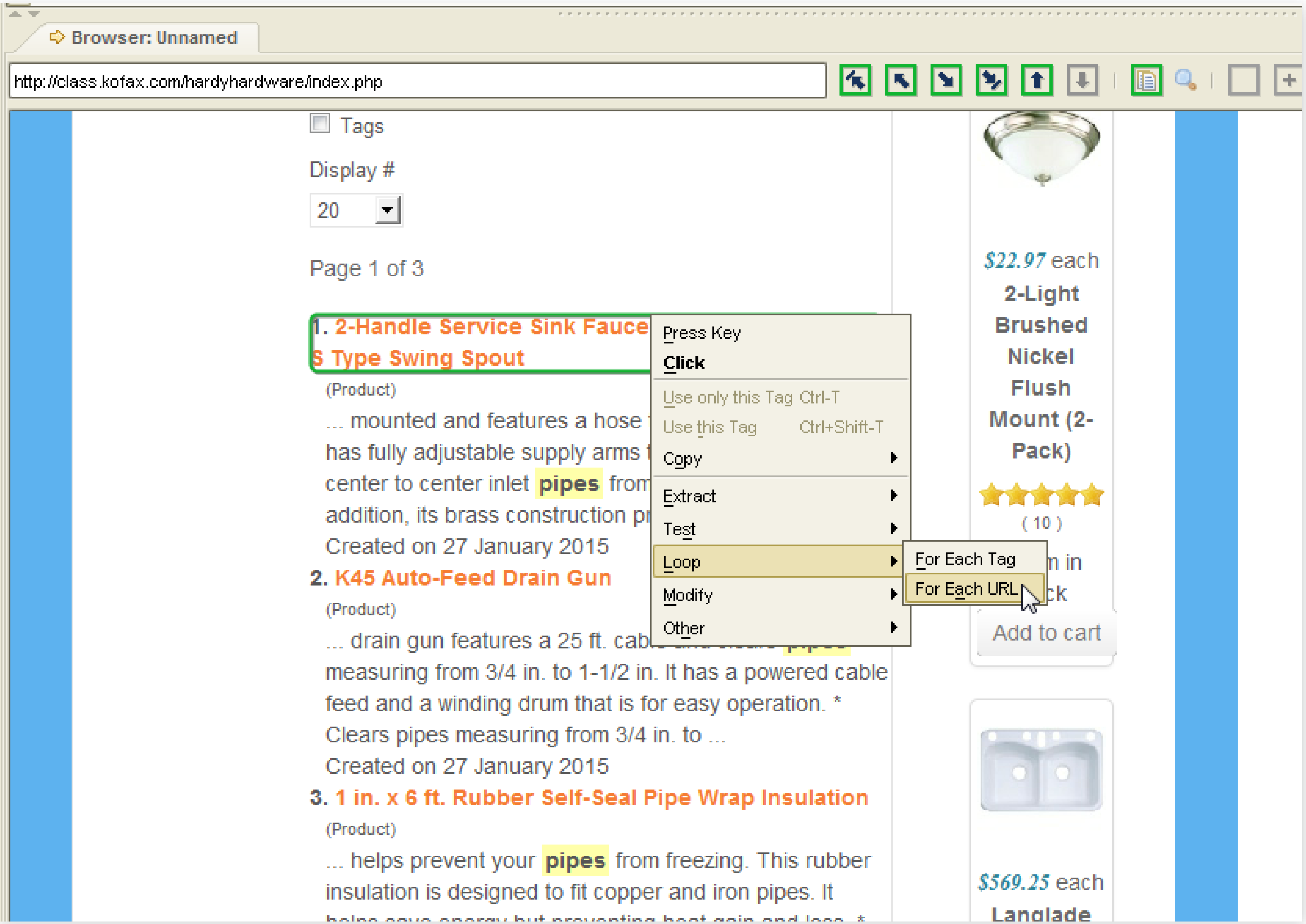
JSN Glass template designed by JoomlaShine.com

Each item in orange here is a hyperlink to a new URL with the product details we want. We will want to loop through those.

There are multiple pages. We will want to loop through those as well.

Let's Set up a Loop through the Items on One Page First

- You've already accomplished this in an earlier lab, so this should be easy.



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(Product)
... mounted and features a hose
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addition, its brass construction pr
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2. K45 Auto-Feed Drain Gun
(Product)
... drain gun features a 25 ft. cab
measuring from 3/4 in. to 1-1/2 in. It has a powered cable feed and a winding drum that is for easy operation. * Clears pipes measuring from 3/4 in. to ...
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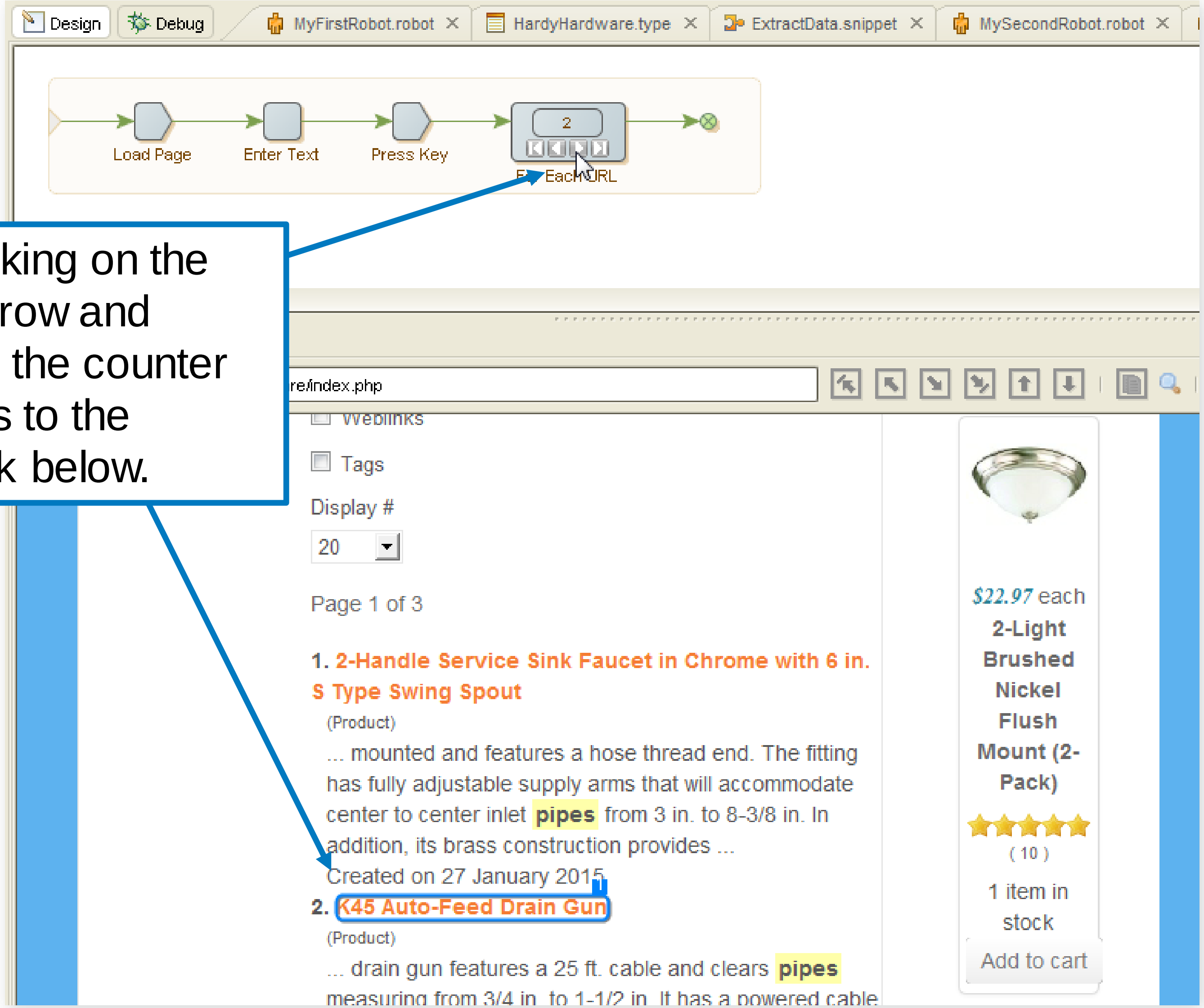
3. 1 in. x 6 ft. Rubber Self-Seal Pipe Wrap Insulation
(Product)
... helps prevent your pipes from freezing. This rubber insulation is designed to fit copper and iron pipes. It

And Test Our Loop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Debug
MyFirstRobot.robot
HardyHardware.type
ExtractData.snippet
MySecondRobot.robot
Load Page
Enter Text
Press Key
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For Each URL
re/index.php
Weblinks
Tags
Display #
20
Page 1 of 3
1. 2-Handle Service Sink Faucet in Chrome with 6 in. S Type Swing Spout
(Product)
... mounted and features a hose thread end. The fitting has fully adjustable supply arms that will accommodate center to center inlet pipes from 3 in. to 8-3/8 in. In addition, its brass construction provides ...
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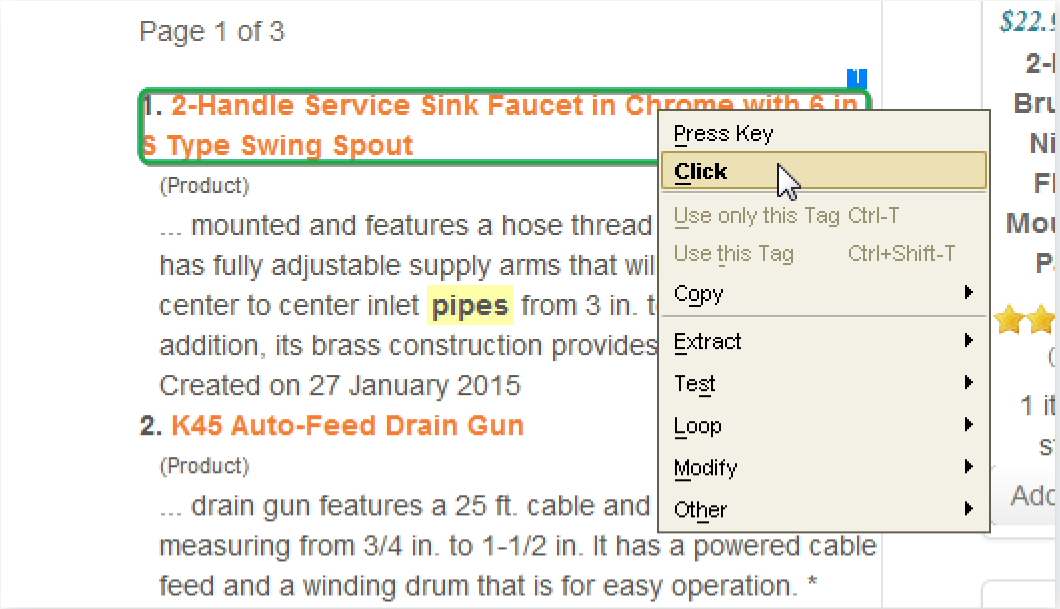
2. K45 Auto-Feed Drain Gun
(Product)
... drain gun features a 25 ft. cable and clears pipes measuring from 3/4 in. to 1-1/2 in. It has a powered cable
$22.97 each
2-Light Brushed Nickel Flush Mount (2-Pack)
(10)
1 item in stock
Add to cart

Notice clicking on the forward arrow and advancing the counter to "2" goes to the second link below.

Then We Need to Click on Our Item; Add a Click Step



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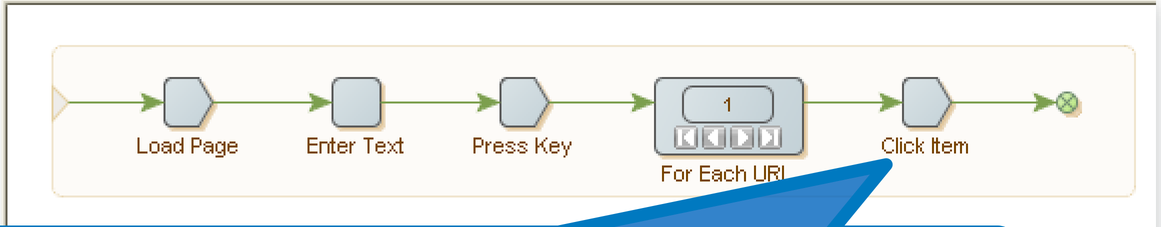
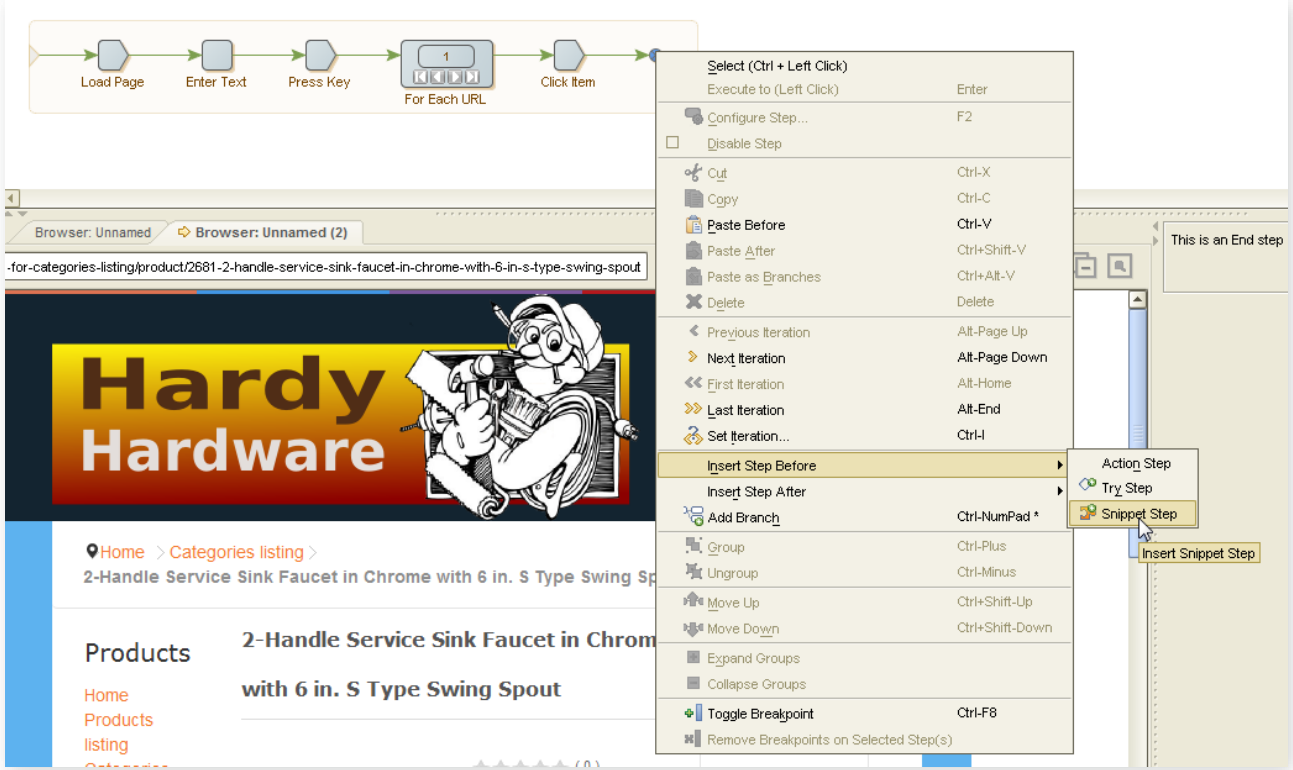
And our robot looks like this so far…



NOTE: We changed the name of the Click step to Click Item to make it more descriptive.

Then Add our Extraction Snippet

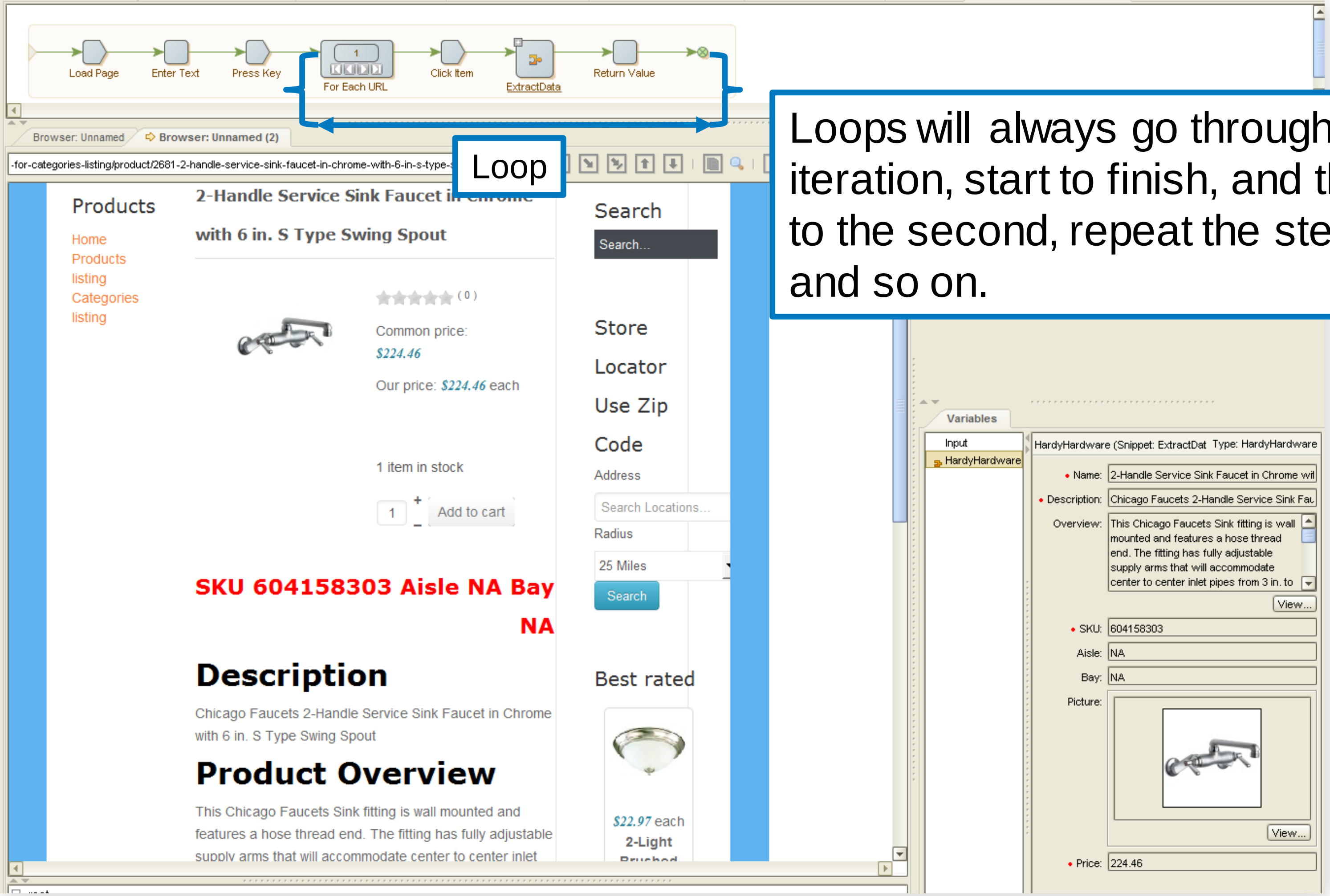
- The extraction will be the same as in our previous Robot.
- Remember, we've already created a Snippet for that.
- Let's add the Snippet to perform extraction.



-for-categories-listing/product/2681-2-handle-service-sink-faucet-in-chrome-with-6-in-s-type-swing-spout

And Return Values

- And for testing purposes, let's add a Return Value step.



2-Handle Service Sink Faucet in Chrome with 6 in. S Type Swing Spout

Common price: $224.46

Our price: $224.46 each

1 item in stock

SKU 604158303 Aisle NA Bay NA

Description

Chicago Faucets 2-Handle Service Sink Faucet in Chrome with 6 in. S Type Swing Spout

Product Overview

This Chicago Faucets Sink fitting is wall mounted and features a hose thread end. The fitting has fully adjustable supply arms that will accommodate center to center inlet

HardyHardware (Snippet: ExtractDat Type: HardyHardware

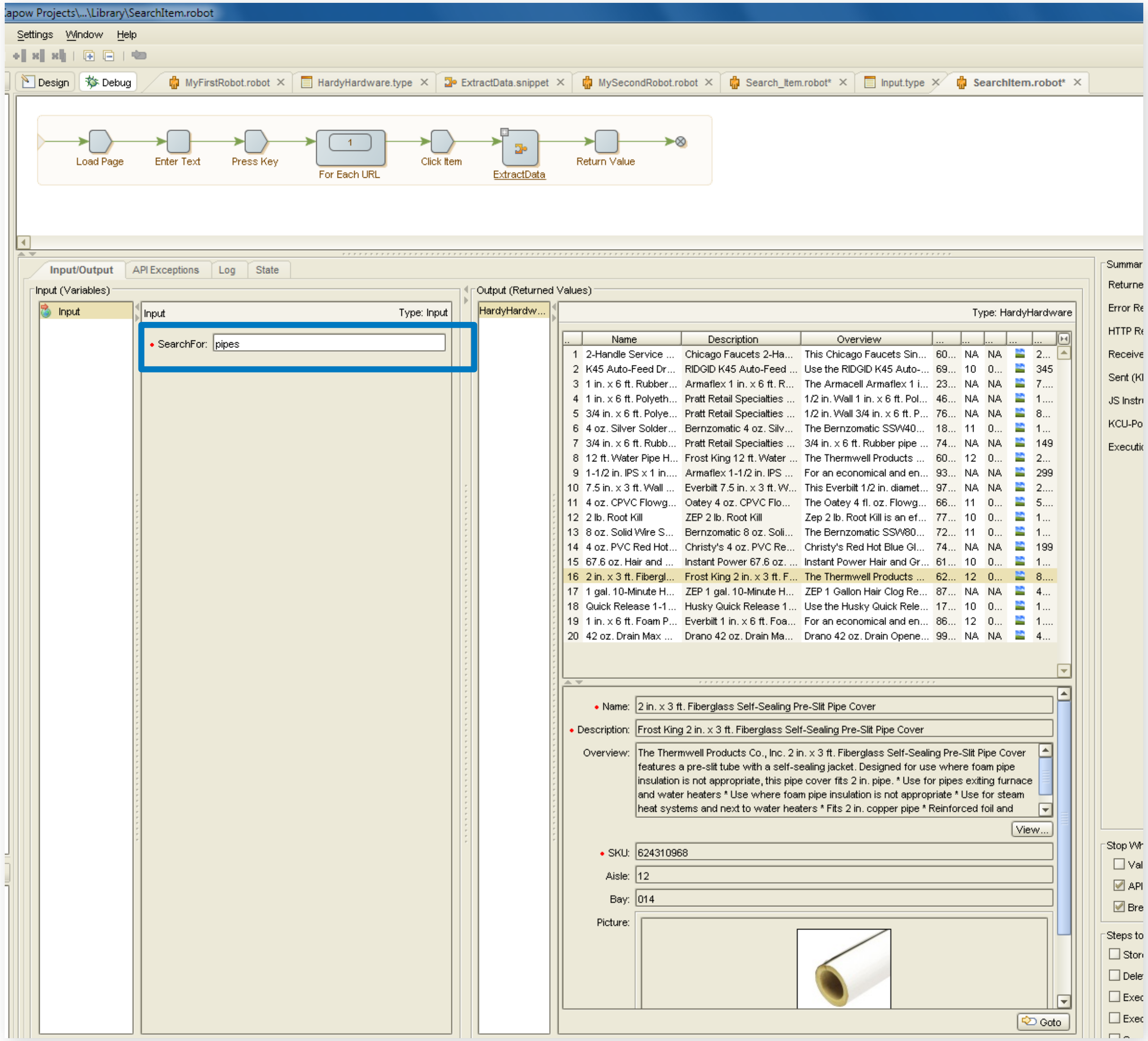
- Name: 2-Handle Service Sink Faucet in Chrome wit
- Description: Chicago Faucets 2-Handle Service Sink Fau
- Overview: This Chicago Faucets Sink fitting is wall mounted and features a hose thread end. The fitting has fully adjustable supply arms that will accommodate center to center inlet pipes from 3 in. to
- SKU: 604158303
- Aisle: NA
- Bay: NA
- Picture:
- Price: 224.46

Loops will always go through one iteration, start to finish, and then to the second, repeat the steps, and so on.

Notice that the HardyHardware variable has been automatically added because it was included with the Snippet

And Test in Debug Mode

- Note that in Debug mode, if you've set up an input variable as we have in this Robot, you can dynamically supply a value to test against.



Input — Type: Input

SearchFor: pipes

Type: HardyHardware

..	Name	Description	Overview	...	...	...	...	...
1	2-Handle Service ...	Chicago Faucets 2-Ha...	This Chicago Faucets Sin...	60...	NA	NA	🖼	2...
2	K45 Auto-Feed Dr...	RIDGID K45 Auto-Feed ...	Use the RIDGID K45 Auto-...	69...	10	0...	🖼	345
3	1 in. x 6 ft. Rubber...	Armaflex 1 in. x 6 ft. R...	The Armacell Armaflex 1 i...	23...	NA	NA	🖼	7....
4	1 in. x 6 ft. Polyeth...	Pratt Retail Specialties ...	1/2 in. Wall 1 in. x 6 ft. Pol...	46...	NA	NA	🖼	1....
5	3/4 in. x 6 ft. Polye...	Pratt Retail Specialties ...	1/2 in. Wall 3/4 in. x 6 ft. P...	76...	NA	NA	🖼	8...
6	4 oz. Silver Solder...	Bernzomatic 4 oz. Silv...	The Bernzomatic SSW40...	18...	11	0...	🖼	1...
7	3/4 in. x 6 ft. Rubb...	Pratt Retail Specialties ...	3/4 in. x 6 ft. Rubber pipe ...	74...	NA	NA	🖼	149
8	12 ft. Water Pipe H...	Frost King 12 ft. Water ...	The Thermwell Products ...	60...	12	0...	🖼	2...
9	1-1/2 in. IPS x 1 in....	Armaflex 1-1/2 in. IPS ...	For an economical and en...	93...	NA	NA	🖼	299
10	7.5 in. x 3 ft. Wall ...	Everbilt 7.5 in. x 3 ft. W...	This Everbilt 1/2 in. diamet...	97...	NA	NA	🖼	2....
11	4 oz. CPVC Flowg...	Oatey 4 oz. CPVC Flo...	The Oatey 4 fl. oz. Flowg...	66...	11	0...	🖼	5....
12	2 lb. Root Kill	ZEP 2 lb. Root Kill	Zep 2 lb. Root Kill is an ef...	77...	10	0...	🖼	1...
13	8 oz. Solid Wire S...	Bernzomatic 8 oz. Soli...	The Bernzomatic SSW80...	72...	11	0...	🖼	1...
14	4 oz. PVC Red Hot...	Christy's 4 oz. PVC Re...	Christy's Red Hot Blue Gl...	74...	NA	NA	🖼	199
15	67.6 oz. Hair and ...	Instant Power 67.6 oz. ...	Instant Power Hair and Gr...	61...	10	0...	🖼	1...
16	2 in. x 3 ft. Fibergl...	Frost King 2 in. x 3 ft. F...	The Thermwell Products ...	62...	12	0...	🖼	8....
17	1 gal. 10-Minute H...	ZEP 1 gal. 10-Minute H...	ZEP 1 Gallon Hair Clog Re...	87...	NA	NA	🖼	4...
18	Quick Release 1-1...	Husky Quick Release 1...	Use the Husky Quick Rele...	17...	10	0...	🖼	1...
19	1 in. x 6 ft. Foam P...	Everbilt 1 in. x 6 ft. Foa...	For an economical and en...	86...	12	0...	🖼	1....
20	42 oz. Drain Max ...	Drano 42 oz. Drain Ma...	Drano 42 oz. Drain Opene...	99...	NA	NA	🖼	4...

Name: 2 in. x 3 ft. Fiberglass Self-Sealing Pre-Slit Pipe Cover

Description: Frost King 2 in. x 3 ft. Fiberglass Self-Sealing Pre-Slit Pipe Cover

Overview: The Thermwell Products Co., Inc. 2 in. x 3 ft. Fiberglass Self-Sealing Pre-Slit Pipe Cover features a pre-slit tube with a self-sealing jacket. Designed for use where foam pipe insulation is not appropriate, this pipe cover fits 2 in. pipe. * Use for pipes exiting furnace and water heaters * Use where foam pipe insulation is not appropriate * Use for steam heat systems and next to water heaters * Fits 2 in. copper pipe * Reinforced foil and

SKU: 624310968

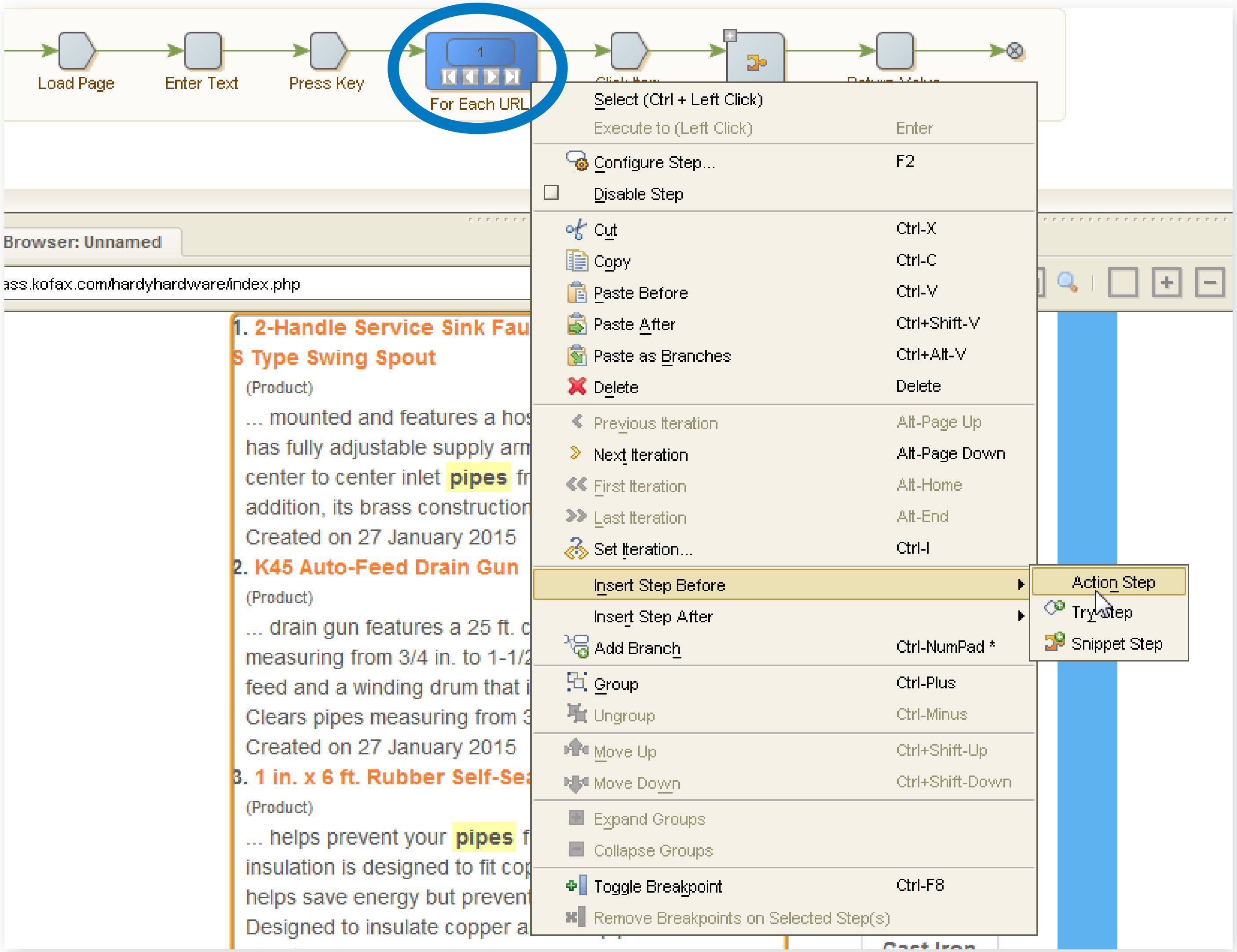
Aisle: 12

Bay: 014

Picture:

Loop through Pages

- Now we want to add an action step that loops through every page of our returned results.
- That can be accomplished with a Repeat/Next loop.
- Since we will want to go to the next page BEFORE we loop through each URL, we'll insert the Repeat/Next loop there.



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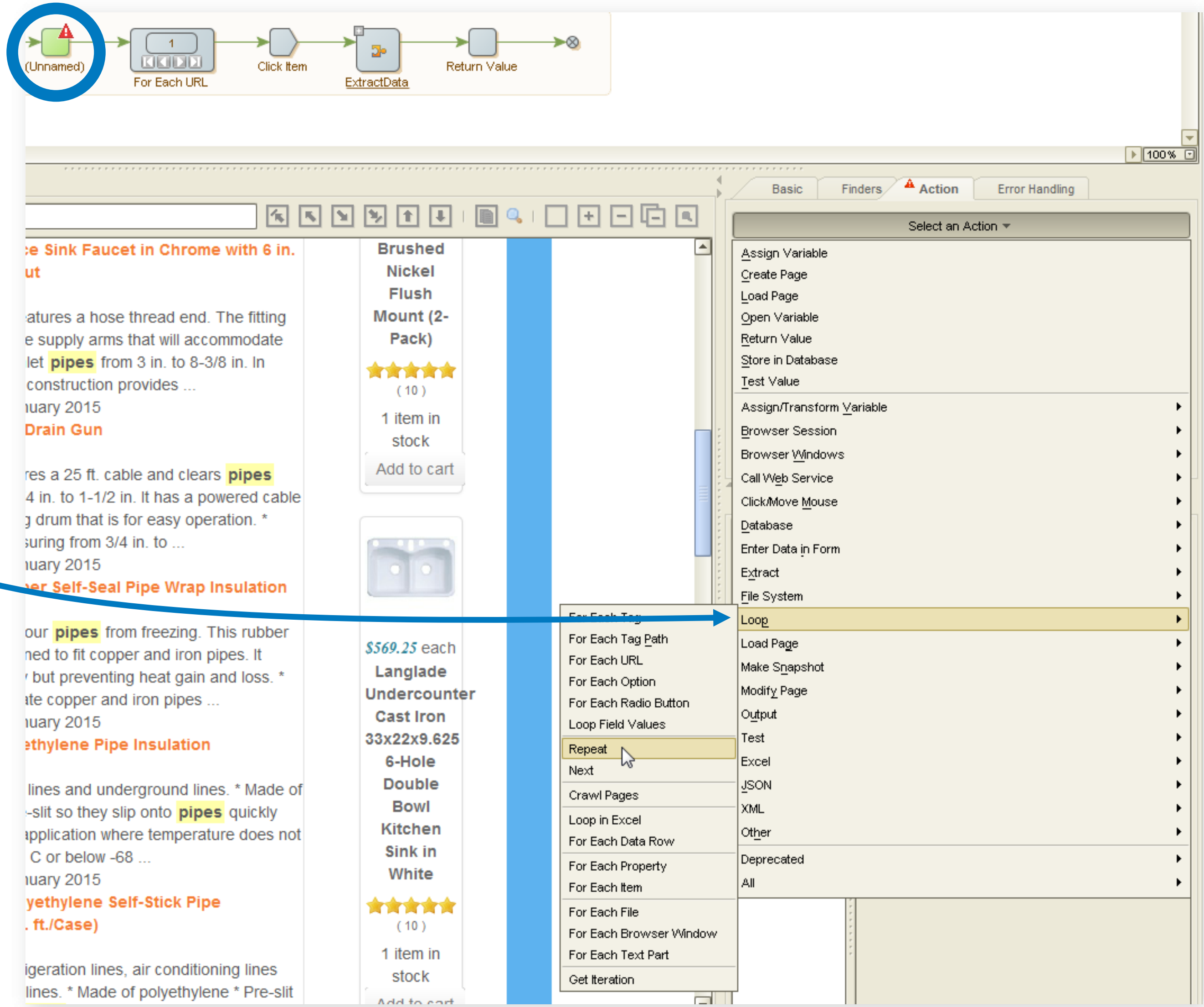
Set Action for New Unnamed Step

- So we'll select the new unnamed step and for the action, select "Loop" and then "Repeat."



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-slit so they slip onto pipes quickly
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C or below -68 ...
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yethylene Self-Stick Pipe
. ft./Case)

igeration lines, air conditioning lines
lines. * Made of polyethylene * Pre-slit

Brushed Nickel Flush Mount (2-Pack)

(10)

1 item in stock

$569.25 each

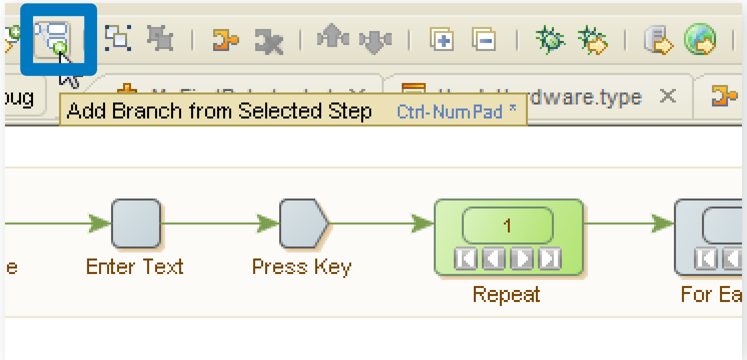
Langlade Undercounter Cast Iron 33x22x9.625 6-Hole Double Bowl Kitchen Sink in White

(10)

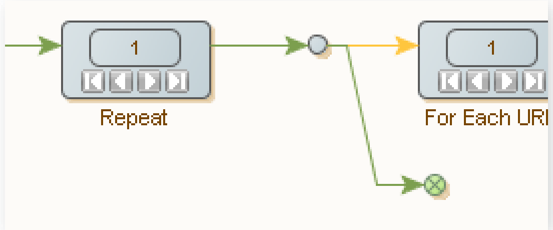
1 item in stock

Repeat Step Always Goes with a Next Step

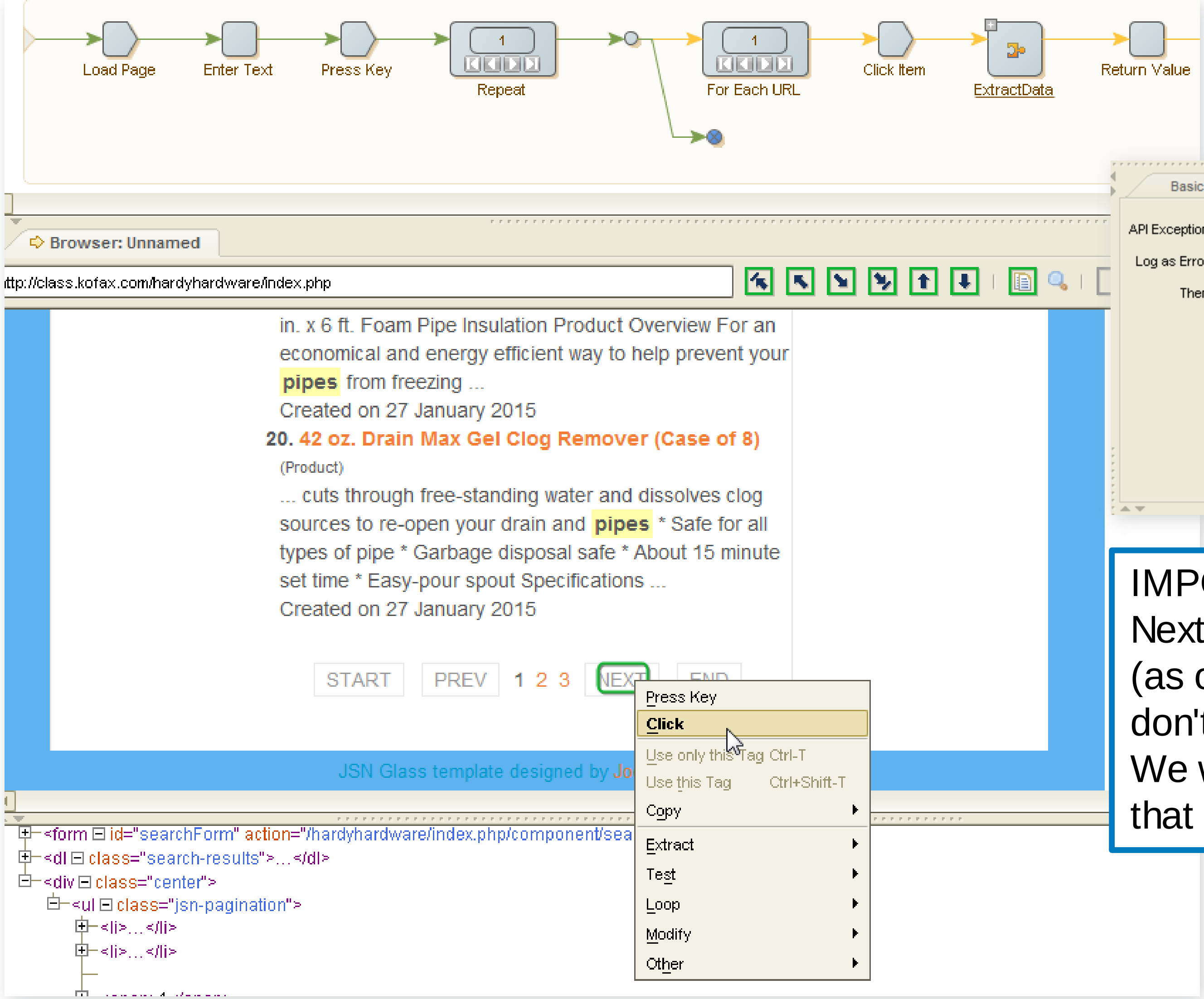
Now we're going to add a Next Step, BUT…
We want the Next step to execute after each iteration of extraction which will increment the iteration by one…and start the loop over. To do that, we must put the Next step on a branch. This will be more fully explained in a minute.



The branch has been added. Now we can add a Click step (to click on the Next button at the bottom of the page), followed by the required Next step to return to the loop.



Add Click Step to Branch



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<form id="searchForm" action="/hardyhardware/index.php/component/sea
<dl class="search-results">...</dl>
<div class="center">
  <ul class="jsn-pagination">
    <li>...</li>
    <li>...</li>
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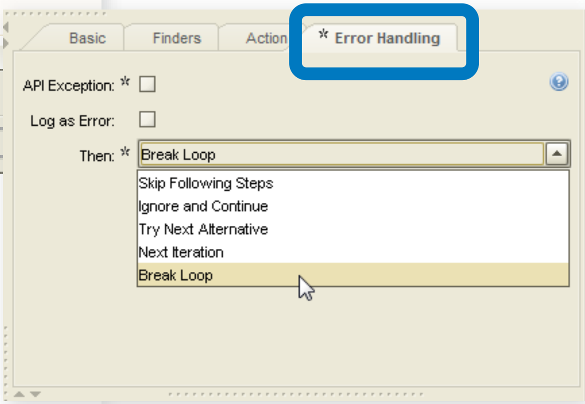
Set properties of step.



API Exception: * ☐

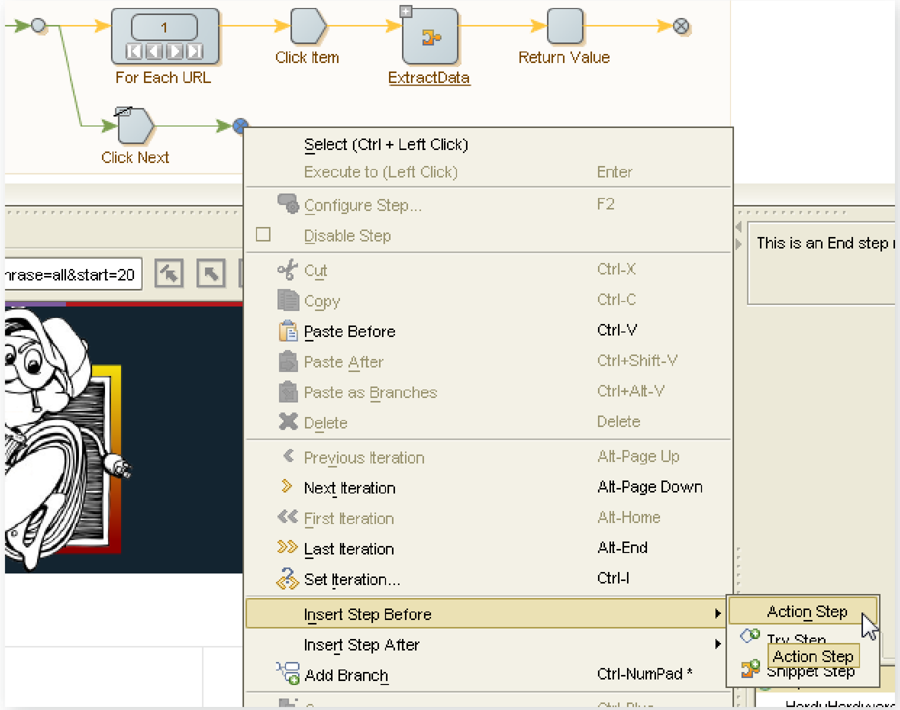
Log as Error: ☐

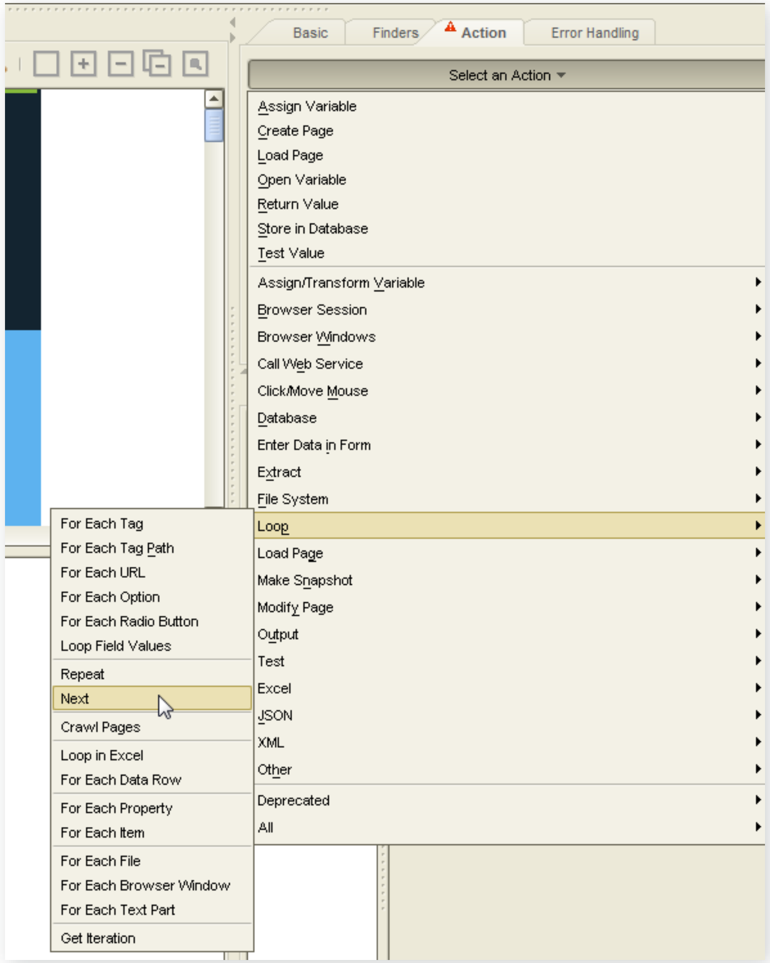
Then: * Break Loop

IMPORTANT: What if the Next button isn't available (as on the last page)? We don't want to report an error. We want to break the loop at that point.

Then Add Next Step

Add the Next step as an Action Step before the End Step on the branch.

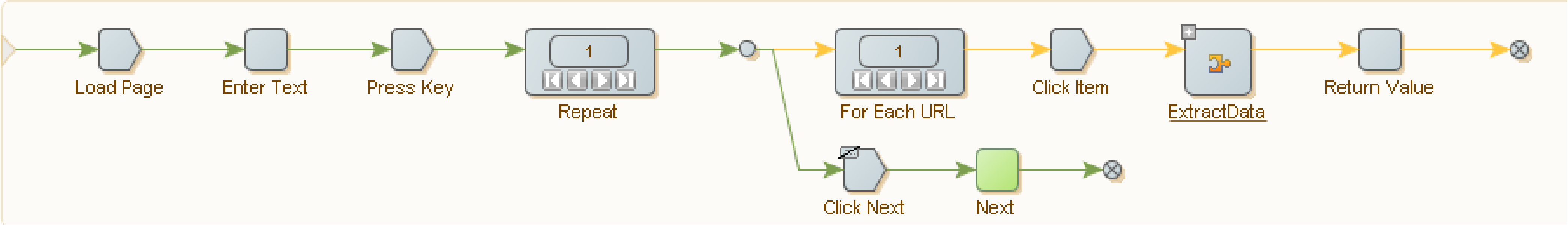




Then choose "Loop" and "Next" as the action you want to perform.

Now Your Robot Looks Like This

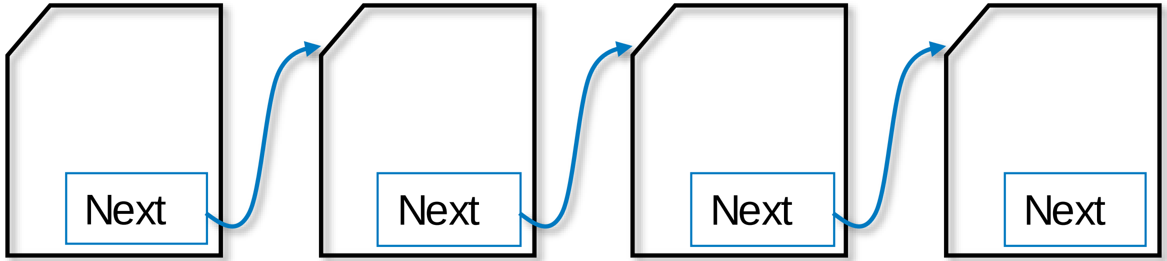
1. The main page is loaded.
2. The search text is entered.
3. The [Enter] key is pressed.
4. The first page is displayed.

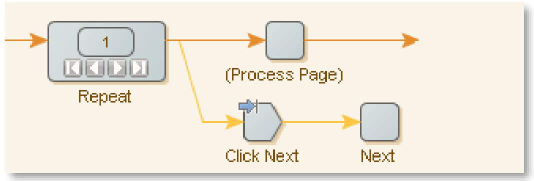


5. The first item is selected and clicked…
6. And the data in the snippet is extracted…
7. And returned. Then the End Step on the first item is encountered.
8. The For Each URL repeats, this time with the second item and so on until the bottom of the page is reached. There are no more items on that page.
9. The Robot returns to the branch point and tries the second alternative which clicks on the Next button. Then it reaches the Next step.
10. The Robot returns to the Repeat step which is now iteration 2 and continues.
11. When there is no Next button, the loop is broken and the Robot is finished.

Repeat Loops

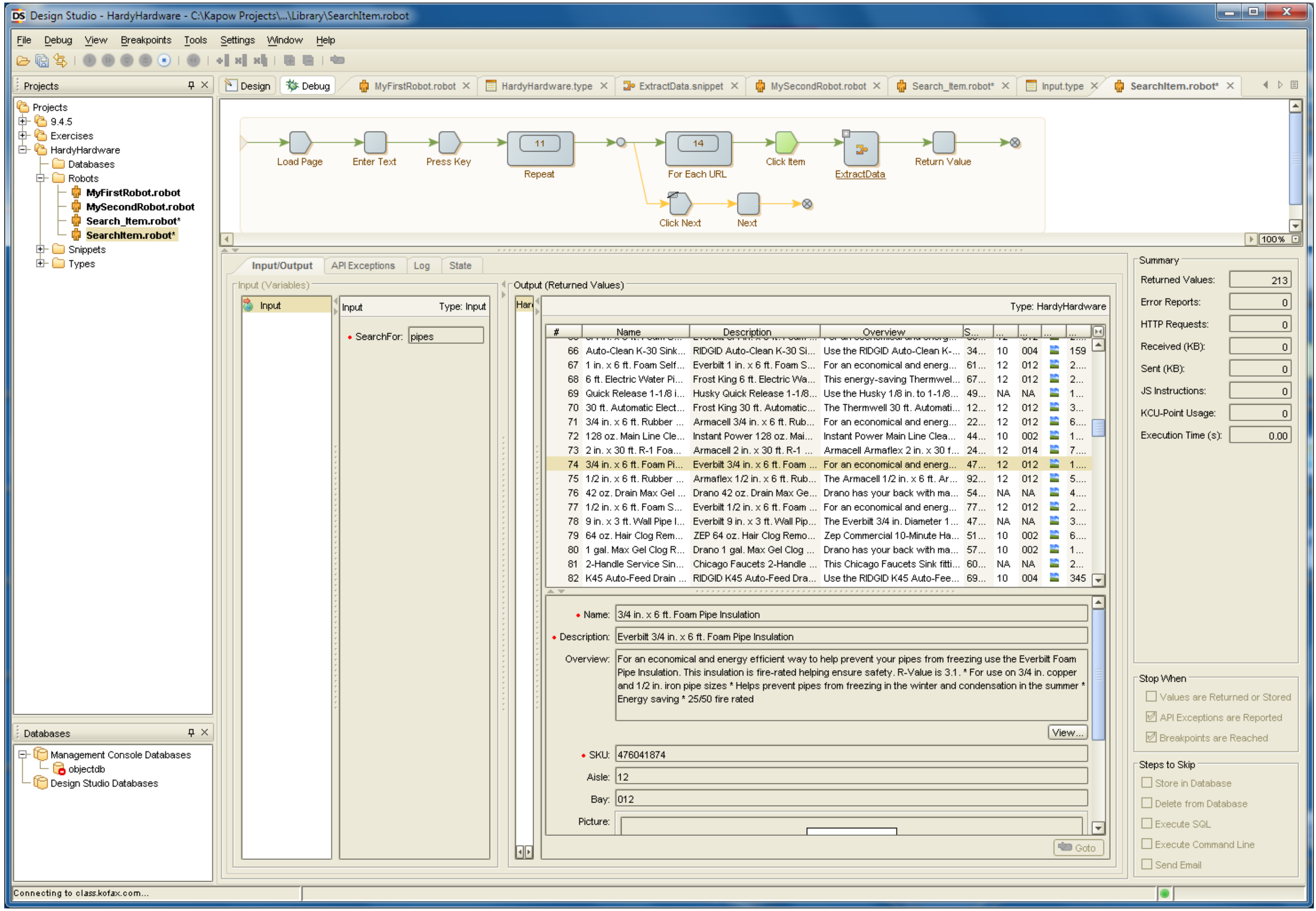
- Repeat/Next Loops...
  - This action creates a repeat loop together with the Next action.
  - The Repeat action marks the start of the repeat loop. In a subsequent step, another iteration of the loop can be requested using a Next action.
  - The windows, pages, etc. at the Next step will be sent back to the Repeat step and will become the output from the Repeat step in the next iteration. If no Next step is executed in a given iteration, that iteration will be the last one, and the repeat loop will end.





Testing in Debug Mode

- A test in Debug mode reveals our robot runs without errors and returns a lot of items at HardyHardware associated with "pipes."



Input (Variables)

Input — Type: Input

SearchFor: pipes

Output (Returned Values)

Type: HardyHardware

#	Name	Description	Overview	S...	...	...	...	...
66	Auto-Clean K-30 Sink...	RIDGID Auto-Clean K-30 Si...	Use the RIDGID Auto-Clean K-...	34...	10	004	🖼	159
67	1 in. x 6 ft. Foam Self...	Everbilt 1 in. x 6 ft. Foam S...	For an economical and energ...	61...	12	012	🖼	2...
68	6 ft. Electric Water Pi...	Frost King 6 ft. Electric Wa...	This energy-saving Thermwel...	67...	12	012	🖼	2...
69	Quick Release 1-1/8 i...	Husky Quick Release 1-1/8...	Use the Husky 1/8 in. to 1-1/8...	49...	NA	NA	🖼	1...
70	30 ft. Automatic Elect...	Frost King 30 ft. Automatic...	The Thermwell 30 ft. Automati...	12...	12	012	🖼	3...
71	3/4 in. x 6 ft. Rubber ...	Armacell 3/4 in. x 6 ft. Rub...	For an economical and energ...	22...	12	012	🖼	6....
72	128 oz. Main Line Cle...	Instant Power 128 oz. Mai...	Instant Power Main Line Clea...	44...	10	002	🖼	1...
73	2 in. x 30 ft. R-1 Foa...	Armacell 2 in. x 30 ft. R-1 ...	Armacell Armaflex 2 in. x 30 f...	24...	12	014	🖼	7....
74	3/4 in. x 6 ft. Foam Pi...	Everbilt 3/4 in. x 6 ft. Foam ...	For an economical and energ...	47...	12	012	🖼	1....
75	1/2 in. x 6 ft. Rubber ...	Armaflex 1/2 in. x 6 ft. Rub...	The Armacell 1/2 in. x 6 ft. Ar...	92...	12	012	🖼	5....
76	42 oz. Drain Max Gel ...	Drano 42 oz. Drain Max Ge...	Drano has your back with ma...	54...	NA	NA	🖼	4....
77	1/2 in. x 6 ft. Foam S...	Everbilt 1/2 in. x 6 ft. Foam ...	For an economical and energ...	77...	12	012	🖼	2....
78	9 in. x 3 ft. Wall Pipe I...	Everbilt 9 in. x 3 ft. Wall Pip...	The Everbilt 3/4 in. Diameter 1...	47...	NA	NA	🖼	3....
79	64 oz. Hair Clog Rem...	ZEP 64 oz. Hair Clog Remo...	Zep Commercial 10-Minute Ha...	51...	10	002	🖼	6....
80	1 gal. Max Gel Clog R...	Drano 1 gal. Max Gel Clog ...	Drano has your back with ma...	57...	10	002	🖼	1...
81	2-Handle Service Sin...	Chicago Faucets 2-Handle ...	This Chicago Faucets Sink fitti...	60...	NA	NA	🖼	2...
82	K45 Auto-Feed Drain ...	RIDGID K45 Auto-Feed Dra...	Use the RIDGID K45 Auto-Fee...	69...	10	004	🖼	345

Name: 3/4 in. x 6 ft. Foam Pipe Insulation

Description: Everbilt 3/4 in. x 6 ft. Foam Pipe Insulation

Overview: For an economical and energy efficient way to help prevent your pipes from freezing use the Everbilt Foam Pipe Insulation. This insulation is fire-rated helping ensure safety. R-Value is 3.1 . * For use on 3/4 in. copper and 1/2 in. iron pipe sizes * Helps prevent pipes from freezing in the winter and condensation in the summer * Energy saving * 25/50 fire rated

SKU: 476041874

Aisle: 12

Bay: 012

Picture:

Summary

Returned Values:	213
Error Reports:	0
HTTP Requests:	0
Received (KB):	0
Sent (KB):	0
JS Instructions:	0
KCU-Point Usage:	0
Execution Time (s):	0.00

Stop When

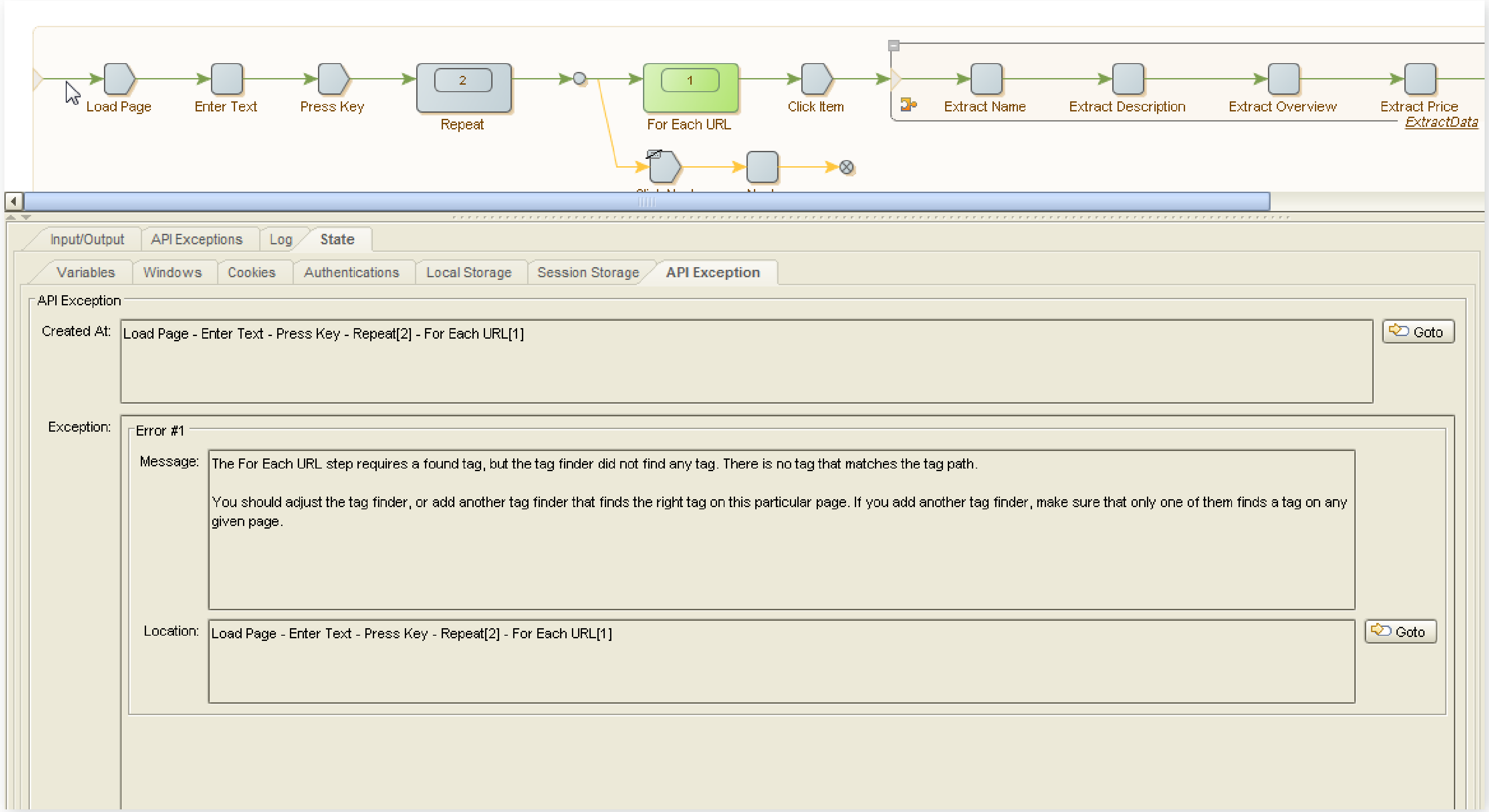
☐ Values are Returned or Stored
☑ API Exceptions are Reported
☑ Breakpoints are Reached

Steps to Skip

☐ Store in Database
☐ Delete from Database
☐ Execute SQL
☐ Execute Command Line
☐ Send Email

But What Happens if an Item is Not Found?

- Like a search instead for "kangaroos." An API Exception is thrown. Instead, let's say we want to return a more user-friendly, descriptive error and stop the robot from running further.



API Exception

Created At: Load Page - Enter Text - Press Key - Repeat[2] - For Each URL[1]

Exception:

Error #1

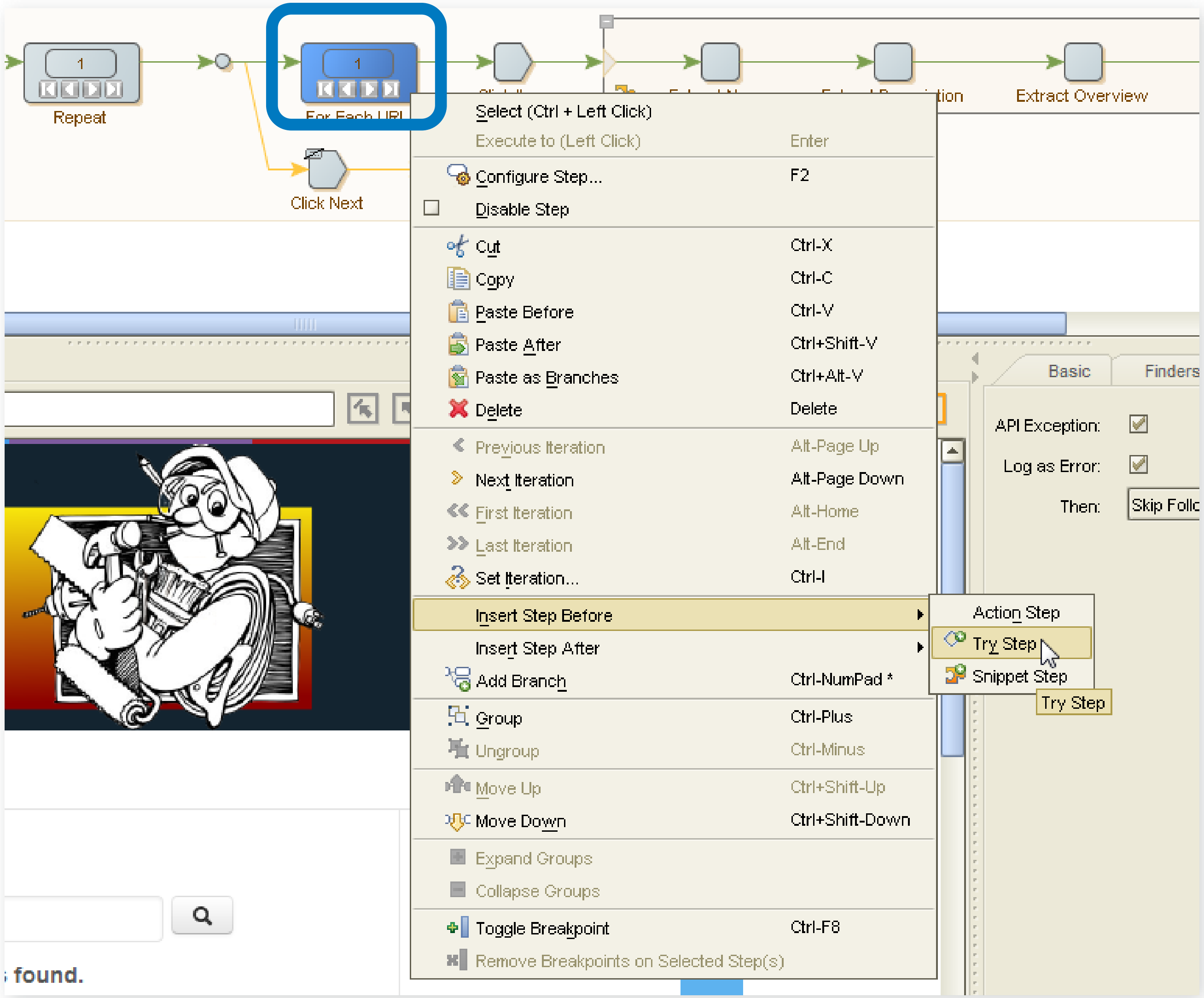
Message: The For Each URL step requires a found tag, but the tag finder did not find any tag. There is no tag that matches the tag path.

You should adjust the tag finder, or add another tag finder that finds the right tag on this particular page. If you add another tag finder, make sure that only one of them finds a tag on any given page.

Location: Load Page - Enter Text - Press Key - Repeat[2] - For Each URL[1]

We'll Add a Try Step

- The Try step is used when it is necessary to try several alternative approaches to get a particular thing done.
- The Try step is similar to a branch point because it may have several branches going out from it.
- It differs from a branch point because branches beyond the first one are executed only if a step on the preceding branch activates the error handling option.

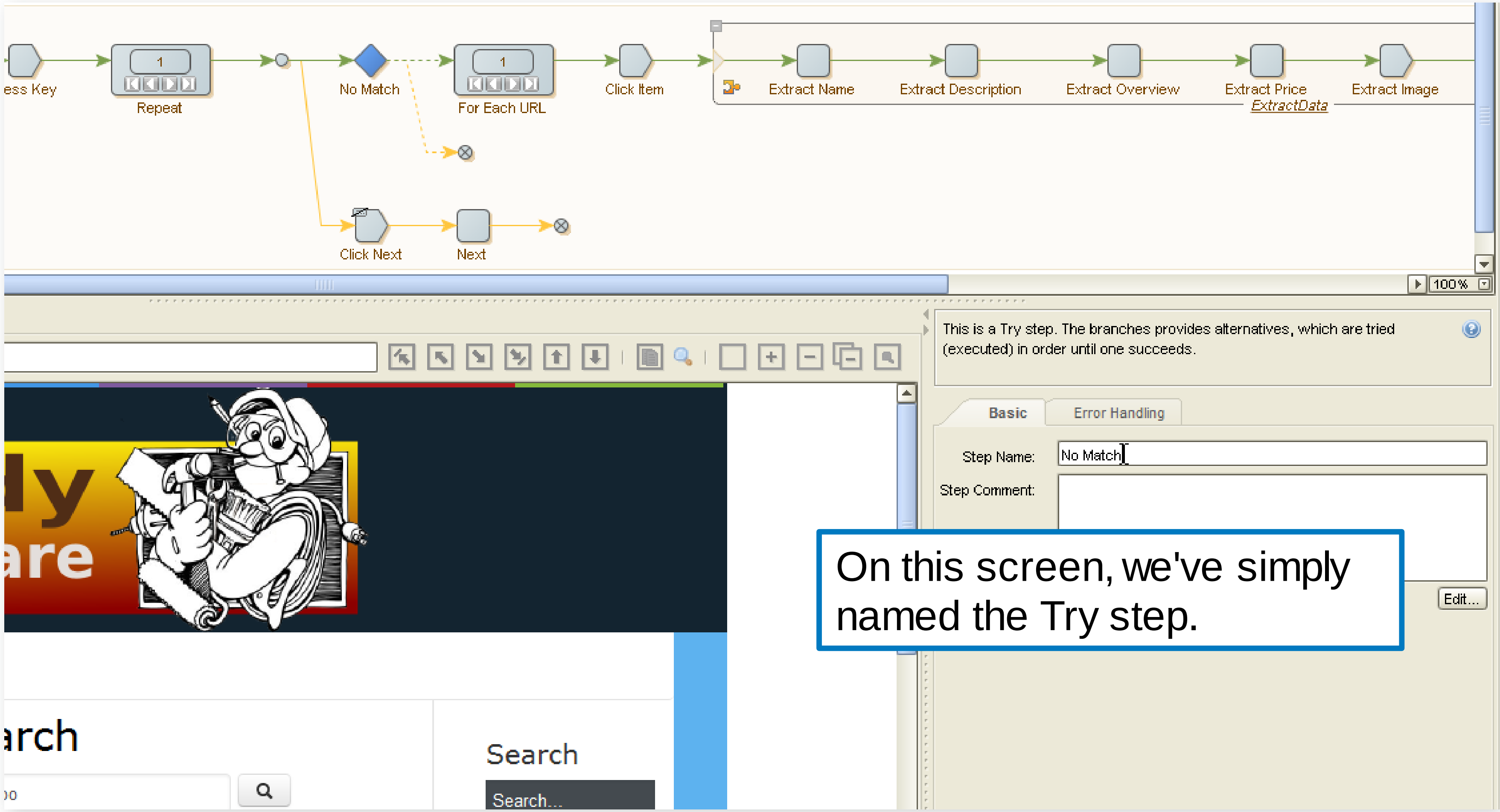


API Exception: ☑

Log as Error: ☑

Then: Skip Follo

If the Try Step Fails, We'll Go to the Next Branch



This is a Try step. The branches provides alternatives, which are tried (executed) in order until one succeeds.

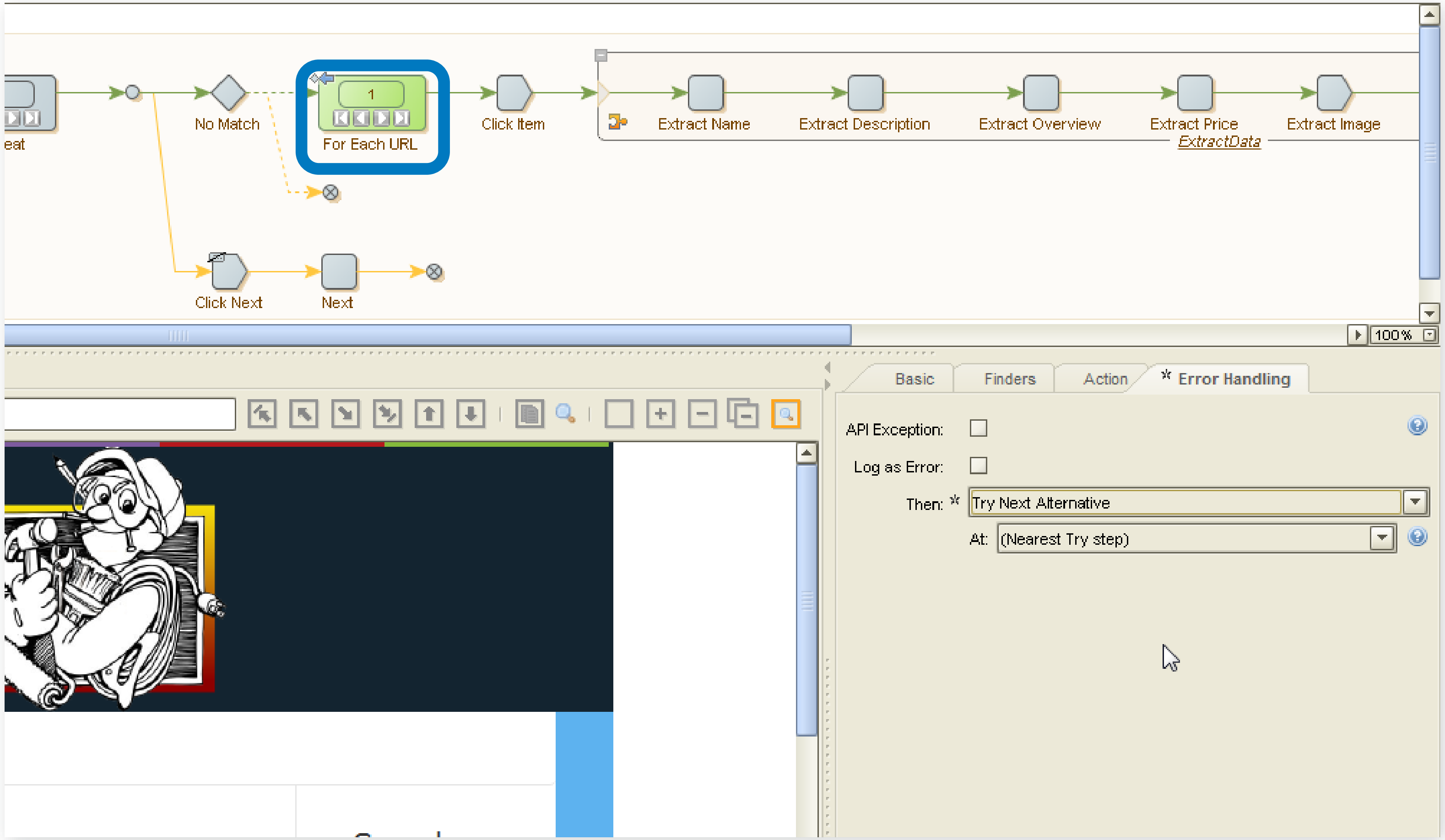
Step Name: No Match

Step Comment:

On this screen, we've simply named the Try step.

If We Tell the Robot to Go to the Next Alternative

- And then on the For Each URL step, we change the Error Handling to "Try the Next Alternative. This will try the next branch immediately preceding this step.



API Exception: □

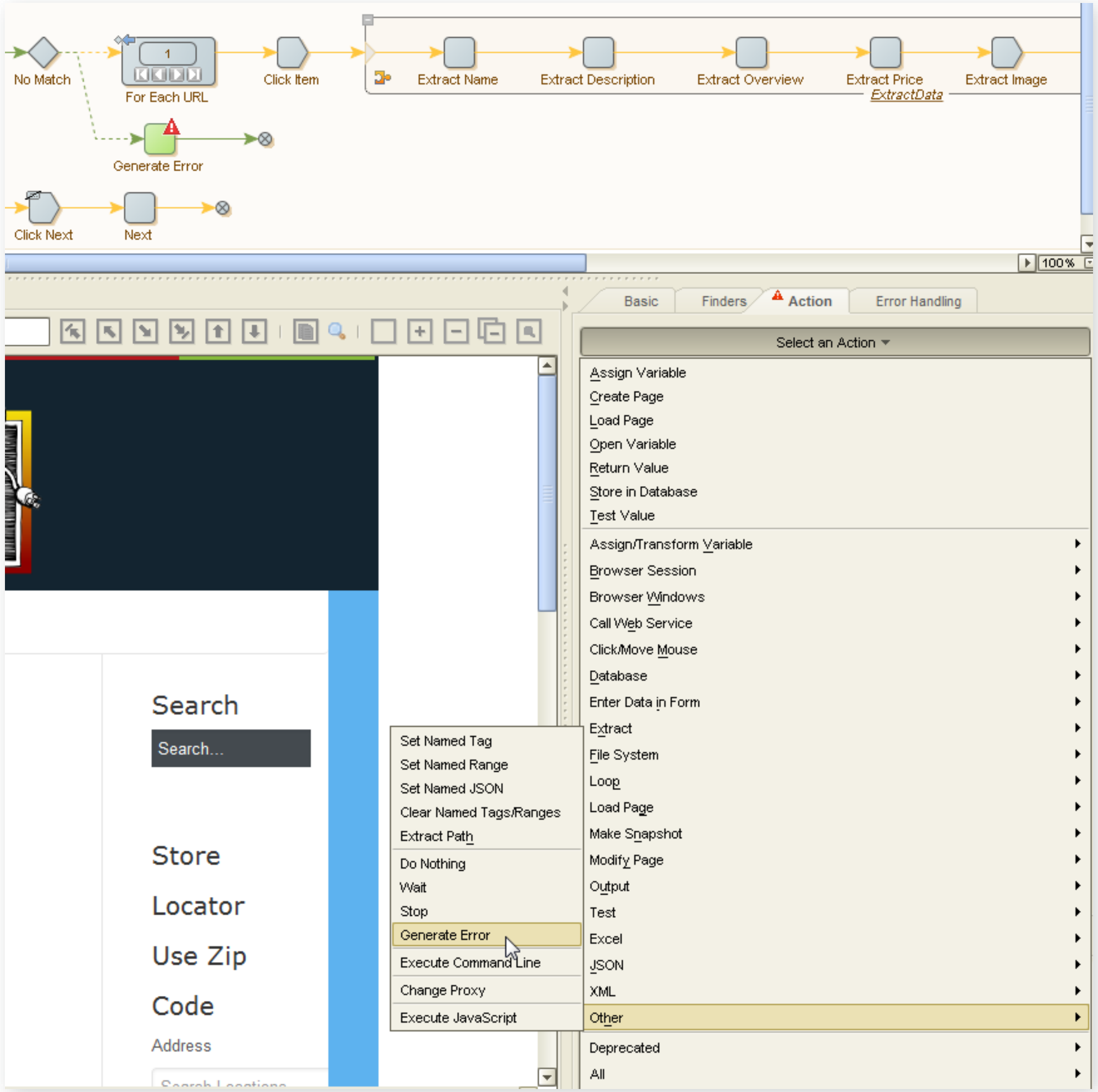
Log as Error: □

Then: Try Next Alternative

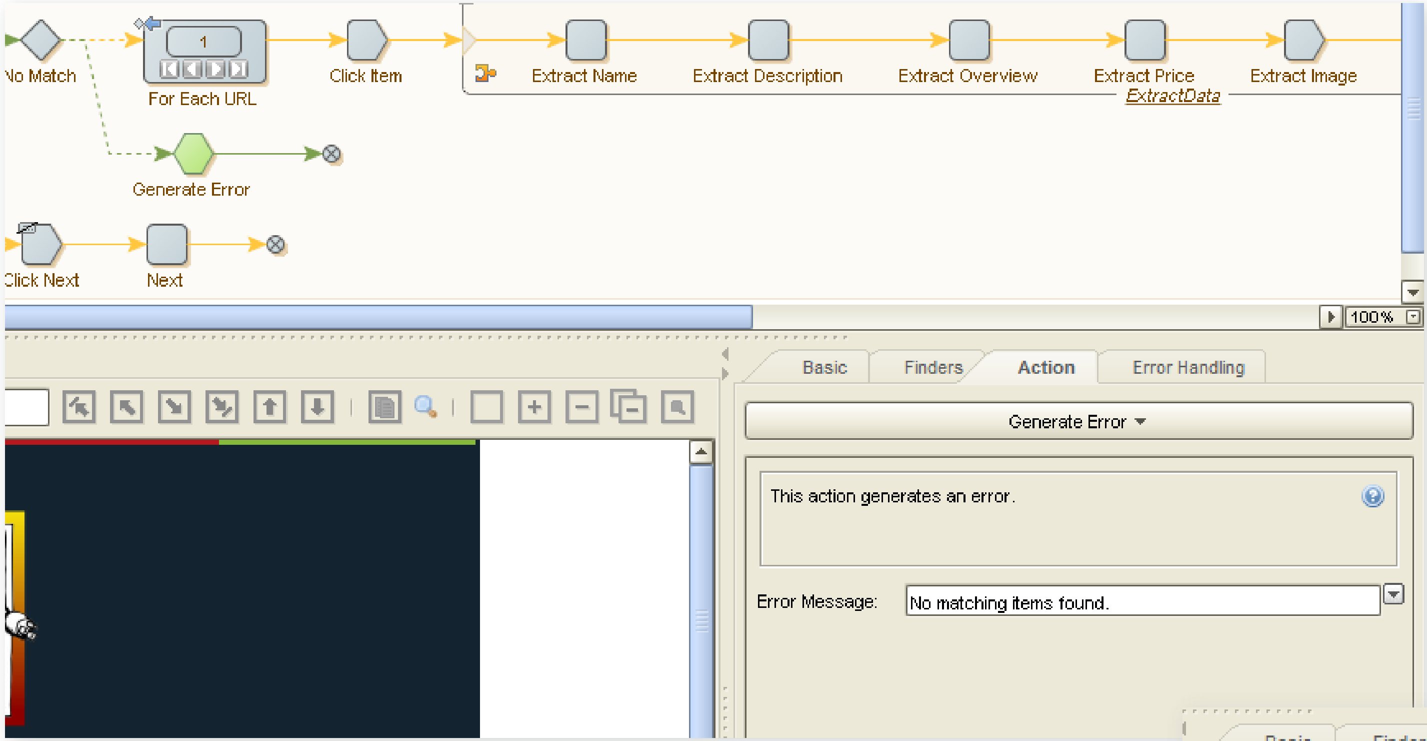
At: (Nearest Try step)

And Generate an Error that is Logged

- On the alternative branch, we'll add a new action step: this one will generate an error.
- So if there is no URL found, the Robot goes to the next alternative and intentionally generates an error that we control.



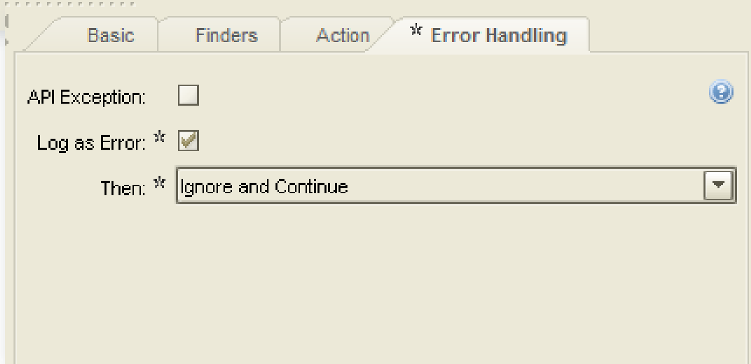
You Choose the Error Message



This action generates an error.

Error Message: No matching items found.

We set the error message to something like: "No matching items found."



API Exception: □

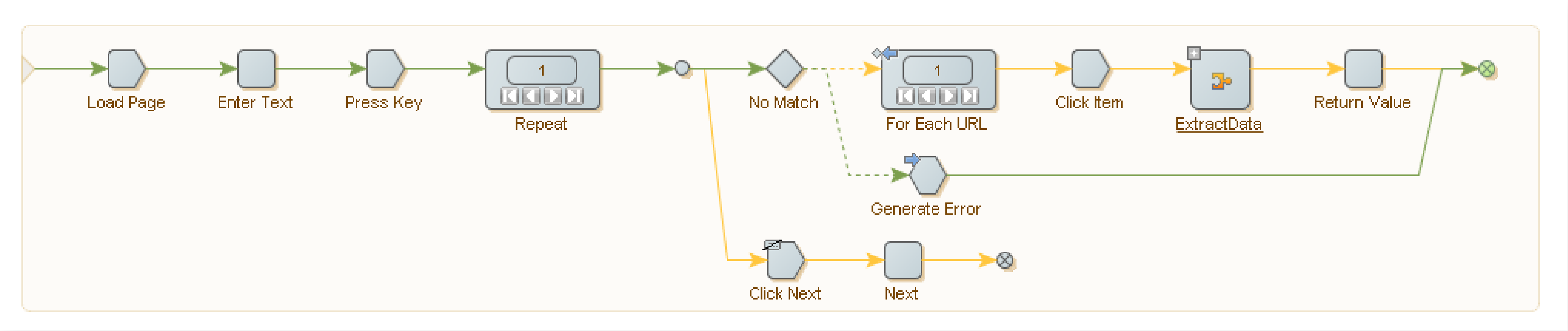
Log as Error: ☑

Then: Ignore and Continue

And tell our Robot that if there is an error here, simply ignore it and continue. Notice we've also deselected the API Exception and we've told the Robot to Log as Error.

And Go to the End Step

- You can take the end point on this Try step branch and drag it with your mouse to the end step above. So the Robot will log the error and simply go to the end.
- Nice and clean!



Test and Save

- Test one more time in Debug mode.
- Try more than one input variable.
- If test successful, make sure to save your Robot
- We'll be adding to this in the next module.

Demo & Lab

Input Variables

Repeat/Next Loops