Practical No. 8 Exploring the Features of WebDriver

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Aim:		

To explore the Features of WebDriver like taking screenshot and waits in selenium.

Theory:

You, as a user of WebDriver, have the flexibility to create a session for a browser with your own set of desired capabilities that a browser should or shouldn't have. Using the capabilities feature in WebDriver, you are given a way to specify your choice of how your browser should behave.

Some of the examples of browser capabilities include enabling a browser session to support taking screenshots of the webpage, executing custom JavaScript on the webpage, enabling the browser session to interact with window alerts, and so on.

Capability	What it is used for	
takesScreenShot	Tells whether the browser session can take a screensho of the webpage	
handlesAlert	Tells whether the browser session can handle modal dialogs	
cssSelectorsEnabled	Tells whether the browser session can use CSS selectors while searching for elements	
javascriptEnabled	Enables/disables user-supplied JavaScript execution in the context of the webpage	
acceptSSLCerts	Enables/disables the browser to accept all of the SSL certificates by default	
webStorageEnabled	This is an HTML5 feature, and it is possible to enable or disable the browser session to interact with storage objects	

Taking Screenshot

Taking a screenshot of a webpage is a very useful capability of WebDriver. This is very handy when your test case fails, and you want to see the state of the application when the test case failed. The TakesScreenShot interface in the WebDriver library is implemented by all of the different variants of WebDriver, such as Firefox Driver, Internet Explorer Driver, Chrome Driver, and so on.

The TakesScreenShot capability is enabled in all of the browsers by default. Because this is a read-only capability, a user doesn't have much say on toggling it. Before we see a code example that uses this capability, we should look at an important method of the TakesScreenShot interface—getScreenshotAs().

The API syntax for getScreenshotAs() is as follows:

public <X> X getScreenshotAs(OutputType<X> target)

Here, **OutputType** is another interface of the WebDriver lib. We can ask WebDriver to give your screenshot in three different formats; they are: **BASE64**, **BYTES** (raw data), and FILE. If you choose the FILE format, it writes the data into a .png file, which will be deleted once the JVM is killed. So, you should always copy that file into a safe location so that it can be used for later reference.

The return type is a specific output that depends on the selected OutputType. For example, selecting **OutputType.BYTES** will return a byte array, and selecting **OutputType.FILE** will return a file object.

Waits

WebDriver provides the test script developers a very handy feature to manage wait time. Wait time is the time your driver will wait for the WebElement to load before it gives up and throws NoSuchElementException.

There are two ways by which you can make WebDriver wait for WebElement. They are **implicit** wait time and **Explicit wait time**.

Implicit wait time

Implicit wait time is used when you want to configure the WebDriver's wait time as a whole for the application under test. Implicit timeouts are common to all the WebElements.

Explicit wait time

Implicit timeout is generic to all the WebElements of a web page. But, if you have one specific WebElement in your application where you want to wait for a very long time, this approach may not work. Setting the implicit wait time to the value of this very long time period will delay your entire test suite execution. So you have to make an exception for only a particular case, like this WebElement. To handle such scenarios, WebDriver has explicit wait time for a WebElement.

Implementation

1. Write a selenium script to take screenshot of

http://demo.guru99.com/test/newtours/index.php

Code:

ScreenshotDemo.java

package webdriver_scripts; import java.io.File; import java.io.IOException;

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import java.nio.file.Files;
import org.openqa.selenium.OutputType;
import org.openqa.selenium.TakesScreenshot;
import org.openqa.selenium.WebDriver;
import org.openqa.selenium.firefox.FirefoxDriver;
public class ScreenshotDemo {
       public static void main(String[] args) throws IOException {
              // TODO Auto-generated method stub
              System.setProperty("webdriver.gecko.driver",
"/home/aishu/Apps/geckodriver");
              WebDriver driver=new FirefoxDriver();
              driver.get("http://demo.guru99.com/test/newtours/index.php");
              //Taking screenshot in FILE format and saving it in scrFile
              TakesScreenshot scrShot= ((TakesScreenshot)driver);
              File scrFile=scrShot.getScreenshotAs(OutputType.FILE);
              //locating where screenshot file is saved
              System.out.println(scrFile.getAbsolutePath());
              //create new file test.png in sample folder in c drive
              File DestFile = new File("/home/aishu/Pictures/test1.png");
              //copy scrFile to DestFile
              Files.copy(scrFile.toPath(), DestFile.toPath());
              System.out.println("File is copied");
       }
}
```

Output:





 Write a selenium script to demonstrate explicit and implicit waits on https://demoqa.com/alerts

Code:

ImplicitWaitTime.java

package webdriver_scripts;

import java.util.concurrent.TimeUnit;

import org.openqa.selenium.WebDriver;

import org.openqa.selenium.firefox.FirefoxDriver;

public class ImplicitWaitTime {

public static void main(String[] args) {

// TODO Auto-generated method stub

System.setProperty("webdriver.gecko.driver",

"/home/aishu/Apps/geckodriver");

WebDriver driver=new FirefoxDriver();

//configure the implicit wait time for WebDriver

Output:



Code:

ExplicitWaitTime.java

package webdriver scripts;

import java.time.Duration;

import java.util.concurrent.TimeUnit;

import org.openga.selenium.Alert;

import org.openqa.selenium.By;

import org.openqa.selenium.WebDriver;

import org.openqa.selenium.WebElement;

import org.openga.selenium.firefox.FirefoxDriver;

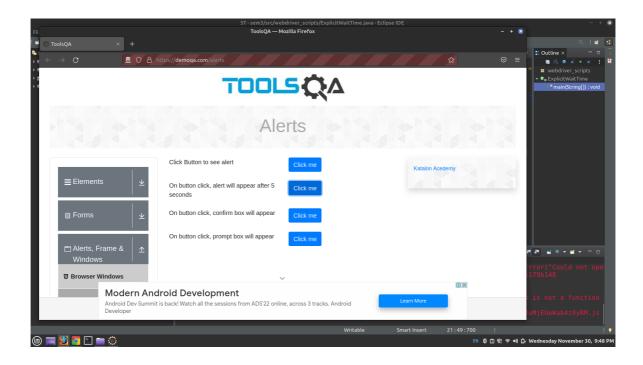
import org.openga.selenium.support.ui.ExpectedConditions;

import org.openqa.selenium.support.ui.WebDriverWait;

public class ExplicitWaitTime {

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public static void main(String[] args) {
              // TODO Auto-generated method stub
              System.setProperty("webdriver.gecko.driver",
"/home/aishu/Apps/geckodriver");
              WebDriver driver=new FirefoxDriver();
              //Launch the URL
              driver.get("https://demoqa.com/alerts");
              WebElement clickme = driver.findElement(By.id("timerAlertButton"));
              clickme.click();
              System.out.println("Alert button is clicked but alert window is yet to open");
              //Create new WebDriver wait
              WebDriverWait wait = new WebDriverWait(driver, Duration.ofSeconds(10));
              //Wait for alert to be present
              Alert myAlert=wait.until(ExpectedConditions.alertIsPresent());
              driver.switchTo().alert();
              myAlert.accept();
              System.out.println("Alert is accepted");
              driver.close();
       }
}
```

Output:



Conclusion: Learnt to take screenshot of webpage and manage waits in selenium.

After performing this Practical/lab, students are expected to answer following questions

- Q.1 Why Do We Need Waits in Selenium?
- Q.2 What are the Expected Conditions that can be used in Selenium Explicit Wait?
- Q.3 Differentiate between Implicit Wait and Explicit Wait?