

Functionality Appraisal of Automated Testing Tools

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ABSTRACT

Testing is the process of evaluating a system or its component(s) with the intent to find that whether it satisfies the specified requirements or not. This activity results in the actual, expected and difference between their results [1]. Testing reduces the cost, time to rework and error free software that is delivered to the client. Testing can be done in two types manually and automating. In manual testing testing is done without any tool but in automating testing. Testing is done with the help of tools like QTP (quick test professional), Selenium and Test complete etc. The aim of this research paper is to study the testing tools with test cases based on different parameters for getting the better results.

Keywords:- Selenium, QTP, Test complete

I. INTRODUCTION

Selenium Integrated Development Environment (IDE) is a free and open source add-on for the Firefox Web browser. It is primarily used by the Web development community to perform automated testing of Web applications. Selenium IDE provides an integrated development environment in which to create, debug and run custom scripts that automate actions in a Web browser.

Recording a Script with the IDE

The Selenium IDE supports capture playback of test scripts by recording the actions you take when browsing web sites, and then replaying these in the browser. To run the Selenium-IDE, simply select it from the Firefox Tools menu.

The Base URL field at the top of the Selenium-IDE window is very useful for allowing test cases to be run across different domains Any test cases for these sites that begin with an **open statement should specify a**

relative URL as the argument to open rather than an absolute URL (one starting with a protocol such as http: or https:). For example, the test case below would be run against `http://fontconverter.gosht.in about.html`: The selenium IDE window is shown below:-

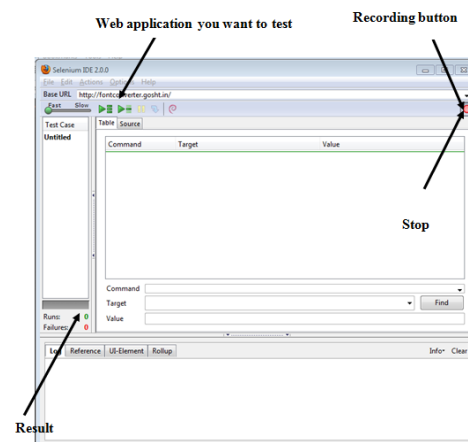


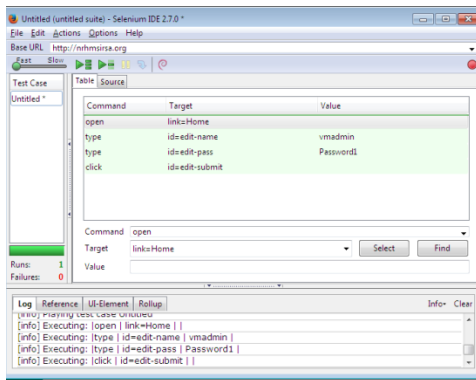
Figure 1.1 Selenium window used for URL

We test the Web application `http://fontconverter.gosht.in` using selenium testing tool. The Test cases for the user login is shown below:-

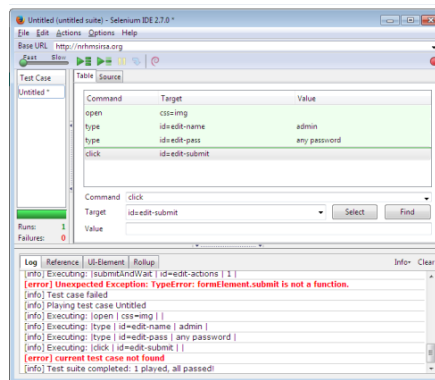
Table 1.1 Test case for the user login

Test ID	Objective	Input/Steps/Action/Description	Expected Result	Actual result	Status	Remarks
log001	To check the user login	User will provide the correct user name and password registered	User will be successful in login the application and Welcome page will appear.	User login successful and welcome page appear	Pass	Login successful.

Test case: - Test case is a document that includes a procedure to perform testing. A test case includes a set of test inputs, execution conditions, and expected output developed for a particular objective, e.g. to check a particular program path or to verify that the specific input will meet with the desired output. There is no prescribed format for writing a test case. , but a test case must include input, expected behavior, expected output showing (figure 4.2).



Black box testing with positive value



black box testing with negative value

Test ID	Objective	Input/Steps/Action/Description	Expected Result	Actual result	Status	Remarks
log002	To check the user login	User will provide the incorrect user name and password	User will be unsuccessful in login the application and invalid user name and password error message will appear	User login unsuccessful and invalid user name and password appeared	Fail	Result as expected

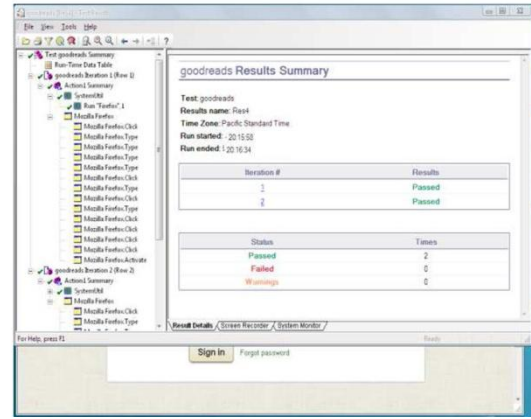
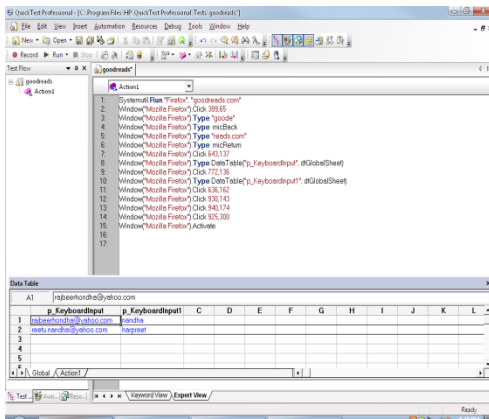


Figure 2.3 Script Window while performing Data driven testing Figure 2.4 Test result for Web Application Goodreads

3.1 Test Complete

Test Complete is an application that helps you automate software quality tests for websites, web applications and Windows desktop applications. It has easy record and playback, flexible scripting and even custom frameworks to automate all your software testing. TestComplete is an automated testing tool that lets you create, manage and run tests for any Windows, Web or Rich Client software. It is an automation tool provided by Automated QA for testing Win32 and .NET applications.

TestComplete provides a feature packed IDE with syntax highlighting, code completion, context sensitive help and advanced debugging features. This gives you powerful tools when developing scripts, and helps new users come up to speed on the rich capabilities in TestComplete.

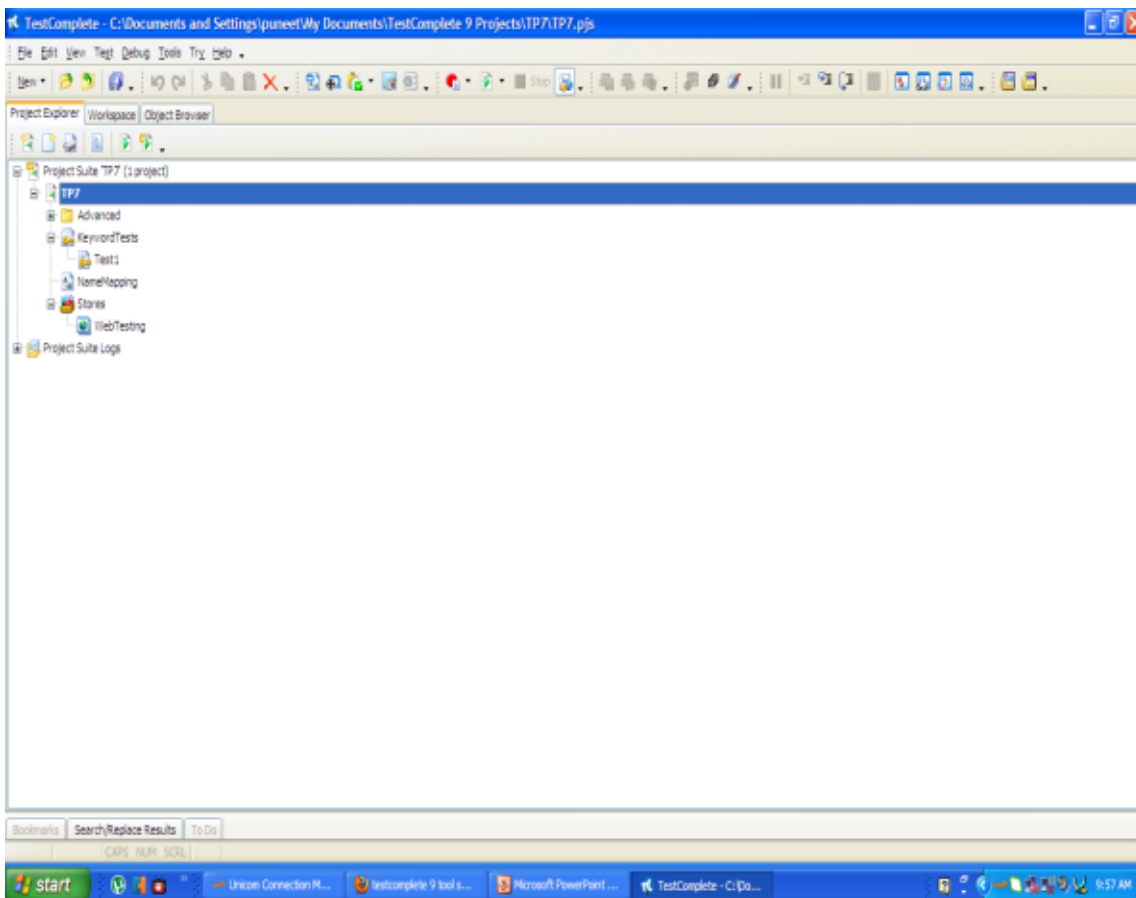


Figure 3.1 Integrated Development Environment of Test Complete

Project Organize: Project is a very important part of Test Complete. It reflects your automation approach and how you want to organize your scripts. You may have one project for entire application if the application is small or separate projects for different components of a complex application and combine all of them into one Project Suite. In either case a project will contain all the information about your application under test. Scripting language used in the project is also defined while creating the project.

Working with Test Complete Working in Test Complete is easier as compared to other tools such as Selenium and QTP. As mentioned earlier, it supports different languages like VBScript, JScript, DelphiScript, C++ and C#. For applications written in Delphi, Test Complete is one of the best tools.

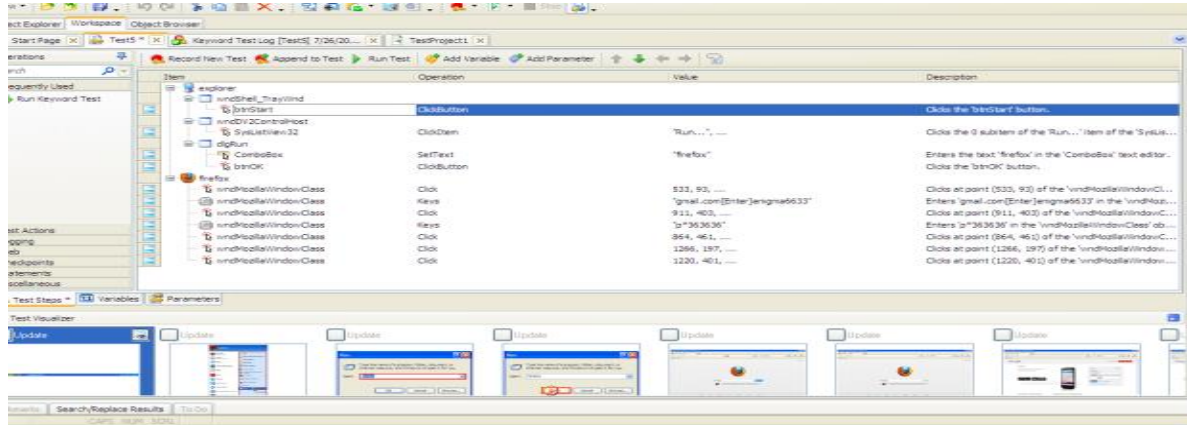


Figure 3.2 Testing of Web application in Test Complete notepad

Open Application: Another important pillar of TestComplete is the concept of open applications. According to Automated QA ‘Open Applications are applications instrumented for white-box testing under TestComplete.’ In Open Applications the different published properties of the controls of your application are can be accessed externally, i.e in your automation scripts.

IV. CONCLUSION

The objective of performing above experiments was to evaluate the three tools in terms of performance and the other aspects such as ease of use, ease of installation, OS compatibility, test script generation facility etc. After performing the experiments while keeping the above considerations in mind, It is really difficult to rate

Figure 3.3 Result window for window application

one tool above another. A tool can be selected on the basis type of application need to be tested, budget, and the efficiency required. If your test automation requirements get satisfied with Test Complete, there is no need to go for QTP where cost goes higher by many folds. Though QTP offers much more functionality, it is just a versatile tool for a critical and more risky Application Under Test. Selenium should be preferred in the case where the type range of applications do not vary much and budget is small. Though QTP is a high priced tool it tenders the marginal difference in facility and reliability among the three.

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