GEB-Page Object Modelling with Power Of Selenium WebDriver and Groovy' s expressiveness

Agenda of this Document: Introduction of GEB as a Solution of Browser Automation.

What is GEB: GEB is browser automation solution, which is a wrapper over Selenium WebDriver. It uses:

1. Groovy's expressiveness to deal with the Browser Automation.
2. JQuery to deal with the WebElements.
3. Robust Page Object Modelling Framework.

It can be Integrated with different Unit Test Framework such as **JUnit**, **TestNg**, **Spock** as well as different build tools like **Maven**, **Gradle** and **CI tool like Jenkins**.

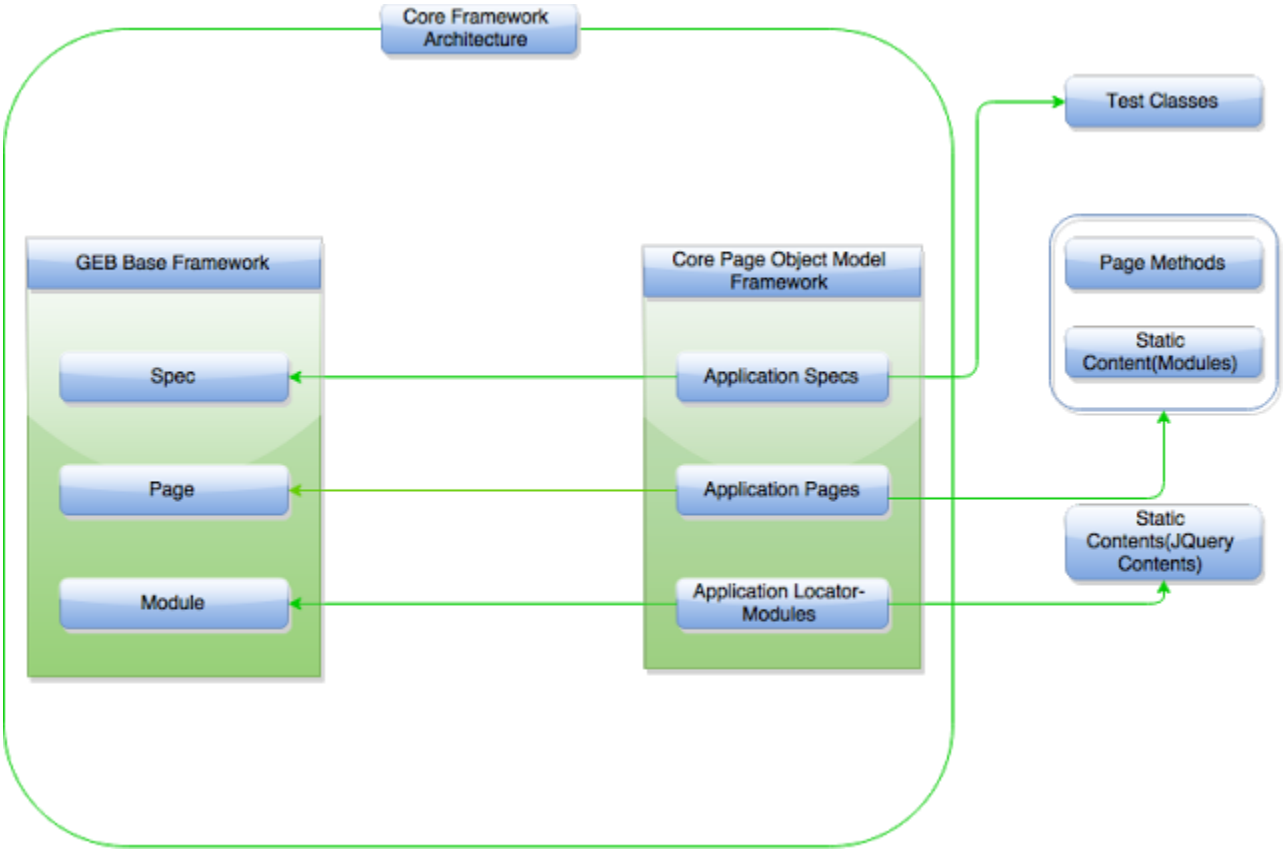
Is it Really Useful when we have Selenium **for Automation :**
The answer to the above is **YES,** because it comes with few very good features along with it.

1. GEB uses Groovy language which itself is very powerful having features like **Closure**, **GroovyMarkup** and **GPath** support,dynamic and static typing is supported and many more.
2.As it is supported by Groovy, so **less coding is required to write automation scripts compared to JAVA.**
3. GEB supports JQuery to handle WebElements,so Scripts become more **faster**.
4.Asynchronous Content Lookup.
5.**Selenium API** can be used easily if need arises.

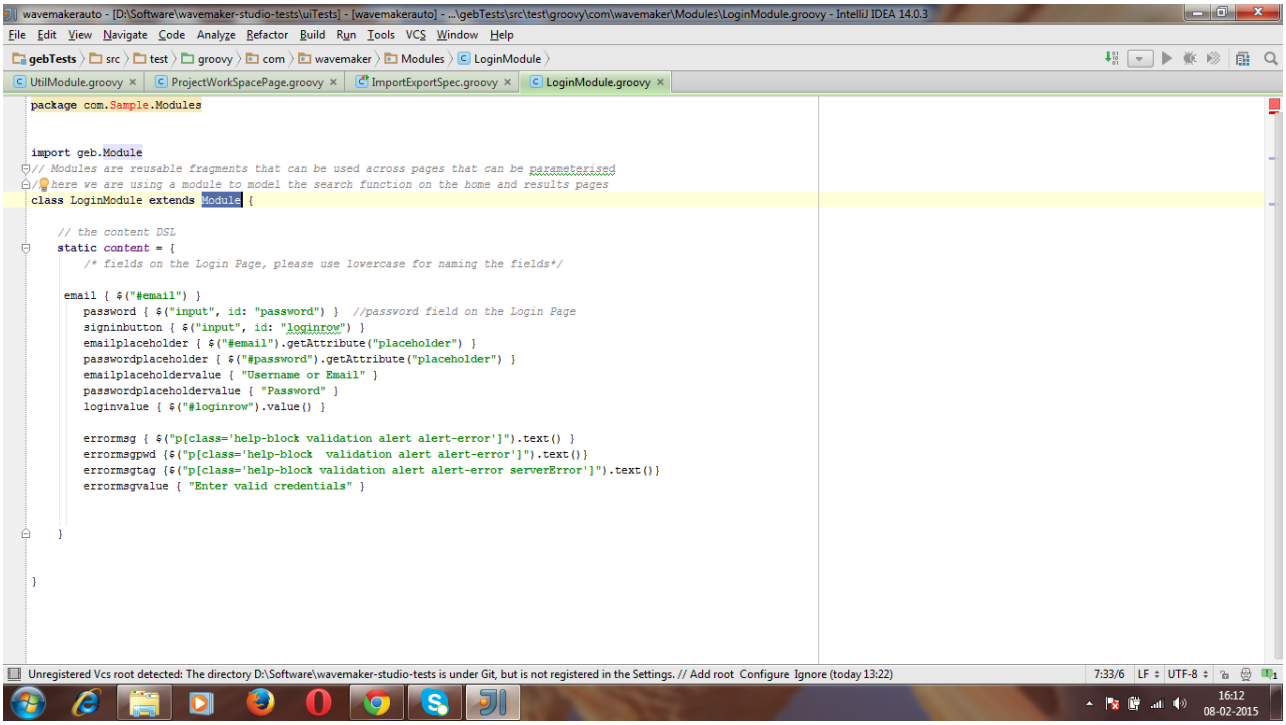
Structure of Framework:

If we are using GEB then generally we follow 3 main building blocks of it:
1.**Module**:Where we keep our WebElements/Locators/JQuery Contents as static contents.
2.**Pages**:Place for the re-usable methods of Page/Module functionalities .
3.**Specs**: Where the Test Classes are kept.

Please refer the below screenshot for the Core framework structure.



Sample of Module given below:



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package com.Sample.Modules


import geb.Module
// Modules are reusable fragments that can be used across pages that can be parameterised
// here we are using a module to model the search function on the home and results pages
class LoginModule extends Module {

    // the content DSL
    static content = {
        /* fields on the Login Page, please use lowercase for naming the fields*/

     email { $("#email") }
        password { $("input", id: "password") }  //password field on the Login Page
        signinbutton { $("input", id: "loginrow") }
        emailplaceholder { $("#email").getAttribute("placeholder") }
        passwordplaceholder { $("#password").getAttribute("placeholder") }
        emailplaceholdervalue { "Username or Email" }
        passwordplaceholdervalue { "Password" }
        loginvalue { $("#loginrow").value() }

        errormsg { $("p[class='help-block validation alert alert-error']").text() }
        errormsgpwd {$("p[class='help-block  validation alert alert-error']").text()}
        errormsgtag {$("p[class='help-block validation alert alert-error serverError']").text()}
        errormsgvalue { "Enter valid credentials" }


    }


}
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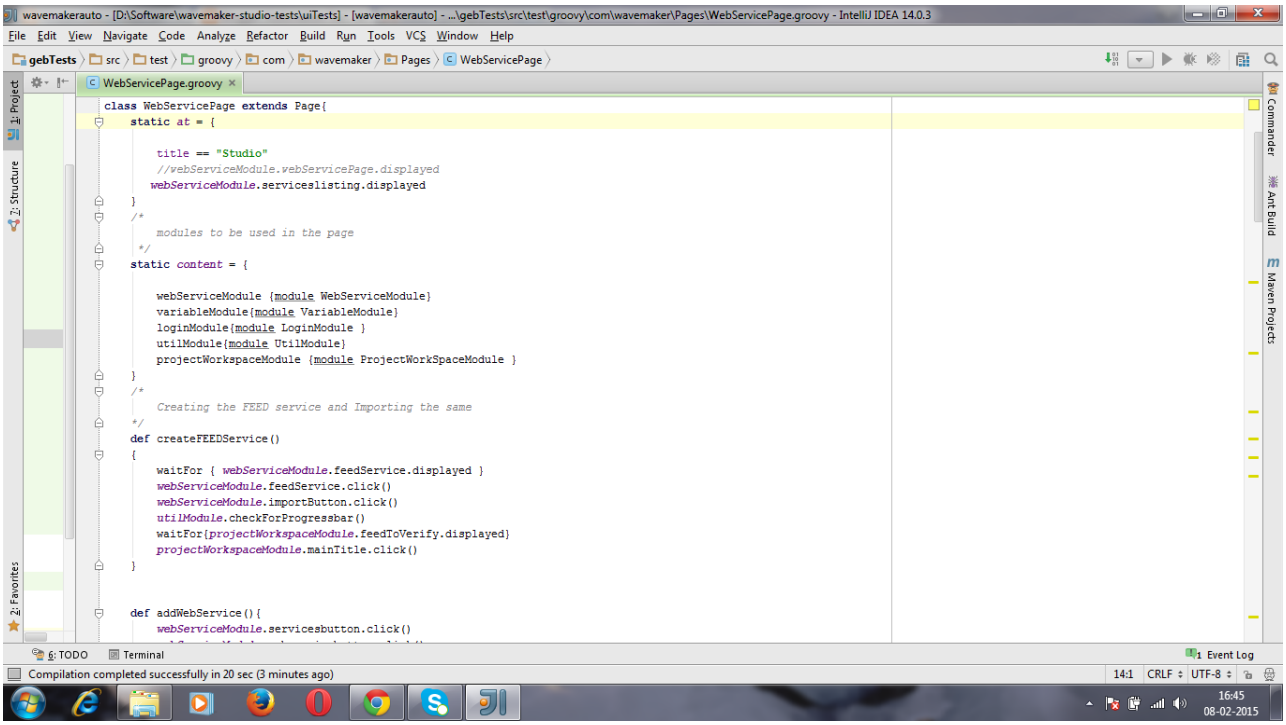
Sample for Page :



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class WebServicePage extends Page{
    static at = {

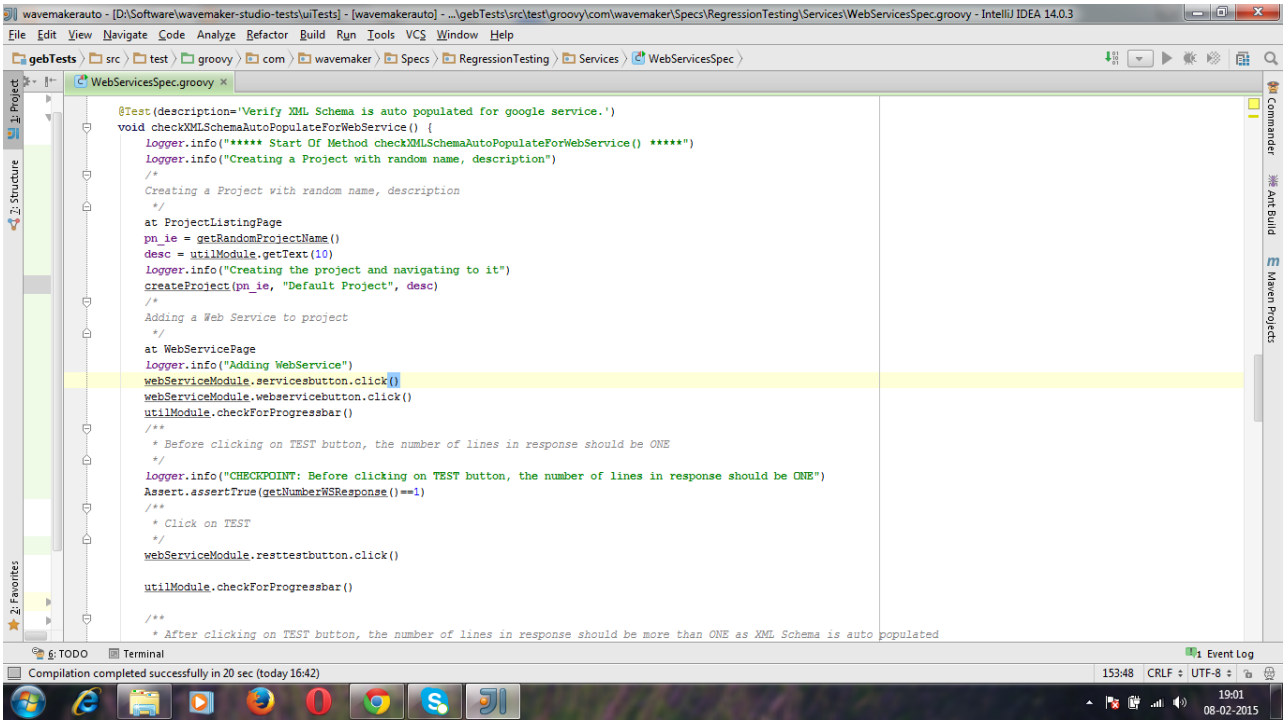
        title == "Studio"
        //webServiceModule.webServicePage.displayed
       webServiceModule.serviceslisting.displayed
    }
    /*
        modules to be used in the page
     */
    static content = {

        webServiceModule {module WebServiceModule}
        variableModule{module VariableModule}
        loginModule{module LoginModule }
        utilModule{module UtilModule}
        projectWorkspaceModule {module ProjectWorkSpaceModule }
    }
    /*
        Creating the FEED service and Importing the same
     */
    def createFEEDService()
    {
        waitFor { webServiceModule.feedService.displayed }
        webServiceModule.feedService.click()
        webServiceModule.importButton.click()
        utilModule.checkForProgressbar()
        waitFor{projectWorkspaceModule.feedToVerify.displayed}
        projectWorkspaceModule.mainTitle.click()
    }


    def addWebService(){
        webServiceModule.servicesbutton.click()
```

GEB provides few methods like "at" which is used to verify whether we are on the stated page or not and "to" method to redirect the driver to the stated page.
If we are in certain page then to access the reusable methods of that page class i.e Page Functionalities we Don't need to create Object for that class,we can simple call the method.

Sample of a Test method :



Geb can be very effective and robust as a solution to the browser Automation.