

The screenshot displays the TestArchitect interface with several key components highlighted by numbered callouts (1-6) and color-coded lines:

- 1 TestArchitect Explore Tree:** Located on the left, showing a hierarchical view of repositories and projects. The 'Car Rental' project is selected.
- 2 Test Module:** A worksheet containing test requirements and test cases. It includes sections for 'OBJECTIVES', 'INITIAL', 'TEST CASE', and 'FINAL'. The 'Login Validation' test module is highlighted.
- 3 Defined-Action (Template):** A worksheet defining actions for the test module. It includes a table for 'ACTION DEFINITION' with columns for name, argument, default value, and description. The 'login' action is defined.
- 4 Built-In Action:** A worksheet defining built-in actions. It includes a table for 'ACTION' with columns for Name, Description, Arguments, Type, and Modifier. The 'start program' action is defined.
- 5 Interface Map (template):** A worksheet defining interface entities. It includes a table for 'INTERFACE ENTITY' with columns for interface entity setting, title, ta name, ta class, and caption. The 'Car Rental-Login' interface entity is defined.
- 6 AUT:** The application under test (AUT), shown as a screenshot of the 'Car Rental-Login' application. It includes a 'User name' field, a 'Password' field, and 'Login' and 'Clear' buttons.

1 TestArchitect Explore Tree

TestArchitect Explorer Tree shows all open repositories, their respective projects, and all the items within each project.

2 Test Module

A worksheet containing test requirements and test cases which narrowly define the scope. Test modules should be designed to run independently from each other, while the test cases within a test module can have dependencies among themselves.

3 Defined-Action

User-defined actions are actions that you create in TestArchitect's Action Based Testing language, and consist of sequences of actions that typically relate to a single business logic function in the application under test.

4 Built-In Action

TestArchitect includes a library of built-in actions to perform a myriad of functions. There are three categories of built-in actions: System actions, Test Support actions and User Interface actions

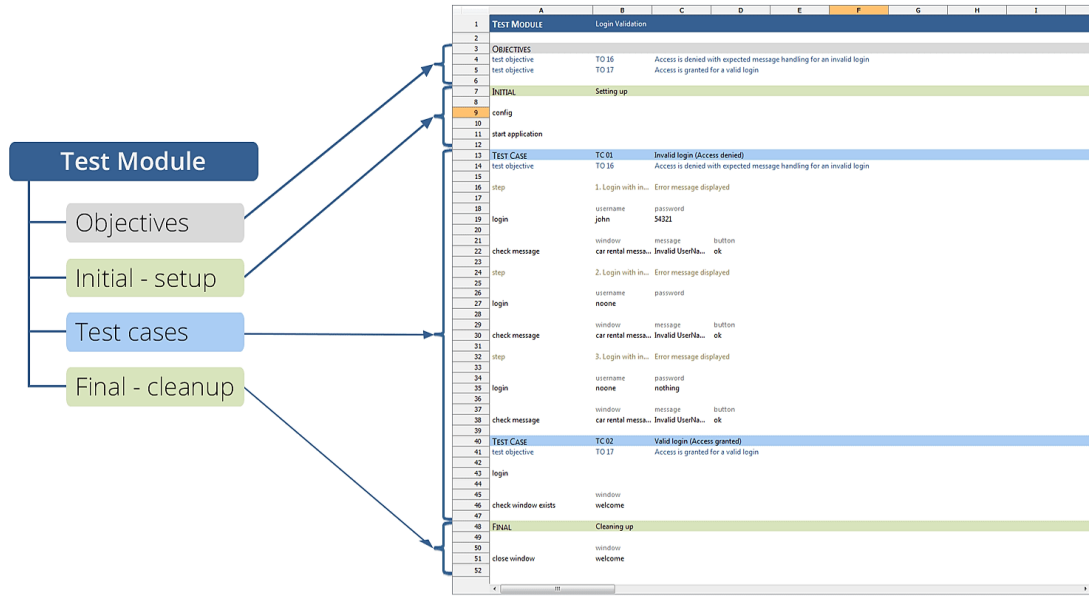
5 Interface Entity

A TestArchitect project item used to represent a single dialog box, window, or full-screen item of the AUT's GUI interface. An interface entity appears in the TestArchitect explorer tree as a child of an interface.

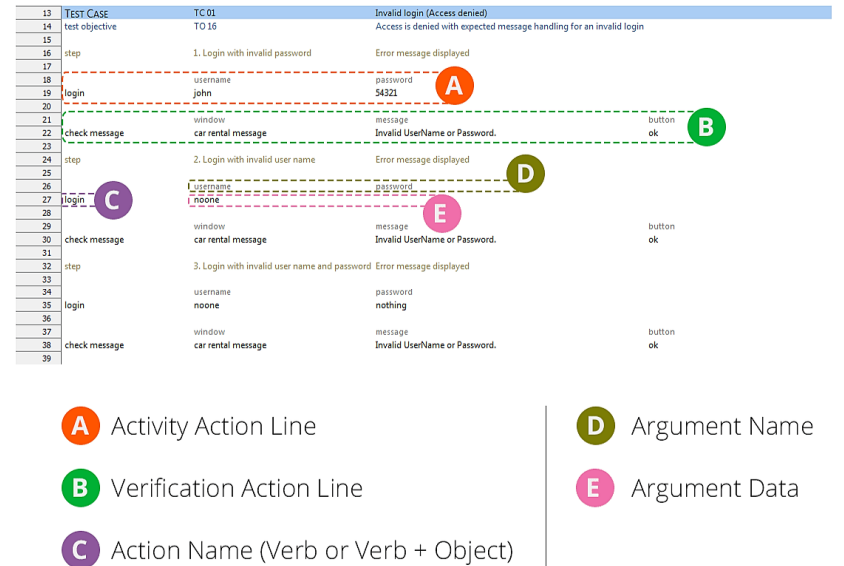
6 AUT

The application that is being tested for correct operation.

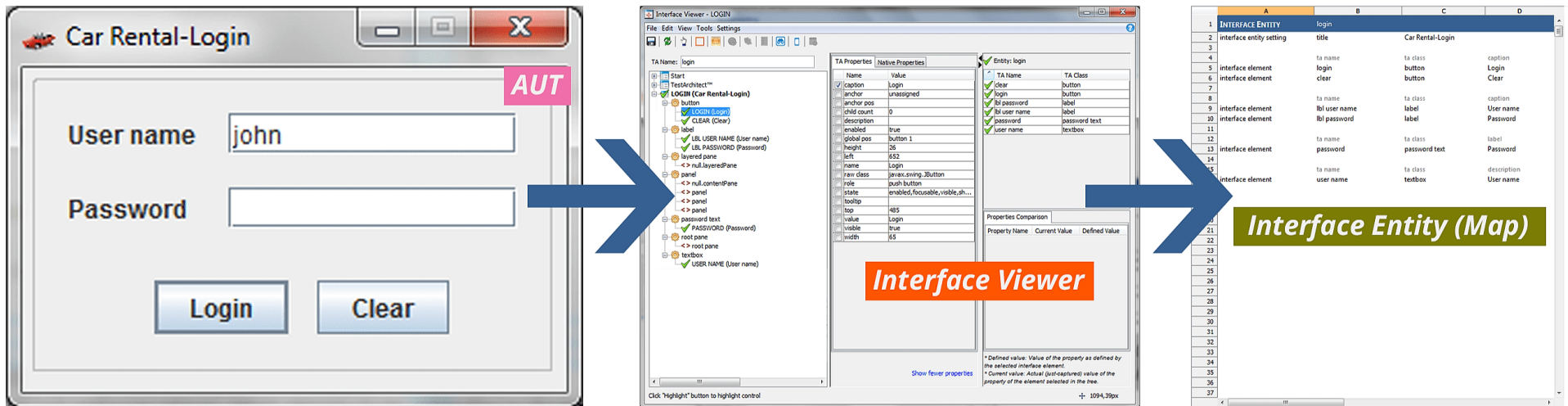
1 Create a Test Module with Test Module template



2 Write Action Line using Defined Action or Built-in Action



3 Action references Interface Entity (Map) to communicate with UI of AUT Use the Interface Viewer tool to capture AUT UI information and store it in Interface Entity (Map)



Variables

There are two types of variables in TestArchitect: **global variable** and **local variable**.

Local variables are variables that are declared within a specific section of test modules or actions. They are initiated within a limited scope, and can only be seen in a particular section.

Action to define a local variable, and assign a value to it

17			
18	local variable	name	value
19		b	999
20		variable	Variable value
21	set variable	b	888
			Variable value

Action to assign a value to an existing local or global variable

Global variables are variables with global scope. They can be accessed throughout all test modules and invoked actions within one execution run.

Action to define a local variable, and assign a value to it

17			
18	global variable	name	value
19		a	1234
20		variable	Variable value
21	set variable	a	5678
			Variable value

Action to assign a value to an existing local or global variable

Expressions & Functions

An **expression** (prefixed by an expression indicator #) is any combination of literal values, variables, operators, operands and functions that follows a set of rules, and which needs to be evaluated before it can be used.

A Function: A predefined, named formula that performs a specific operation and returns values needed by your test.

More information: testarchitect.logigear.com/onlinehelp/#TA_Automation/Topics/The_test_language_functions.html

15	// declare local variables and initialize its value		
16	Use two forward slashes to denote a comment.		
17		name	value
18	local variable	a	Logigear Corporation
19			
20	// report the substring containing 8 characters from the left		
21		Arguments	
22		text	
23	report	# left (a, 8)	
24		Function name	
25	// declare local variables and initialize its value		
26			
27		name	value
28	local variable	width	20
29	local variable	height	40
30			
31		text	
32	report	# " The area of the rectangle is: " & width * height	
33		Expression indicator	Expression operators

18: local variable [name:a] [value:Logigear Corporation]

a -> Logigear Corporation

23: report [text:# left (a, 8)]

left (a, 8)->Logigear
Logigear

28: local variable [name:width] [value:20]

width -> 20

29: local variable [name:height] [value:40]

height -> 40

32: report [text:# " The area of the rectangle is: " & width * height]

" The area of the rectangle is: " & width * height->The area of the rectangle is: 800

The area of the rectangle is: 800

Conditional actions

Begin a block of action lines which are executed only if a specified condition is satisfied.

15		year	month	day	weekday
16	get system date	>> y	>> m	>> d	>> wd
17					
18		condition			
19	if	# y = "2018"			
20					
21		text			
22	report	The FIFA World Cup 2018 will be held in Russia			
23					
24		condition			
25	else if	# y = "2020"			
26					
27		text			
28	report	The UEFA Euro 2020 will be held in thirteen cities in thirteen different European countries during the summer of 2020.			
29					
30	end if				
31					
32		condition			
33	if	# d=24 and m=12			
34					
35		text			
36	report	Merry Christmas.			
37					
38	end if				
39					
40		condition			
41	if	# wd = "Saturday" or wd = "Sunday"			
42					
43		text			
44	report	Happy weekend.			
45					
46	else				
47		text			
48	report	Have a nice day.			
49					
50	end if				

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⊙ 16: [13:50:24/ 15ms] get system date [year: >> y] [month: >>m] [day: >>d] [weekday: >>wd]

y -> 2016
m -> 12
d -> 13
wd -> Tuesday

⊙ 19: if [condition: # y ="2018"]
    # y ="2018" -> false

⊙ 25: else if [condition: #y="2020"]
    #y="2020" -> false

30: end if

⊙ 33: if [condition: # d=24 and m=12]
    # d=24 and m=12 -> false

38: end if

⊙ 41: if [condition: #wd ="Saturday" or wd="Sunday"]
    #wd ="Saturday" or wd="Sunday" -> false

46: else

48: Have a nice day.

50: end if

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Loop actions

A **loop** is a statement, or set of statements, that are repeated for a specified number of times or until some condition is met

while / end while

Denotes the beginning of a **while/end while** loop. Evaluates a conditional expression to determine whether execution is to continue with the action lines directly below it, or with the lines following the matching **end while**.

15		name	value
16	local variable	temp count	1
17			
18		condition to run	
19	while	#temp count < 3	
20			
21		text	
22	report	#temp count	
23			
24		variable	value
25	set variable	temp count	#temp count + 1
26			
27			
28	end while		
29			

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⊙ 16: [14:07:29/ 15ms] local variable [name: temp count] [value: 1]

temp count -> 1

⊙ 19: while [condition to run: #temp count < 3]
    #temp count < 3 -> true
---- WHILE LOOP, START ----
22: 1

⊙ 25: [14:07:29/ 1ms] set variable [variable: temp count] [value: #temp count + 1]
    #temp count + 1 -> 2
temp count -> 2

⊙ 28: end while
---- WHILE LOOP, NEXT CYCLE ----
22: 2

⊙ 25: [14:07:29/ 1ms] set variable [variable: temp count] [value: #temp count + 1]
    #temp count + 1 -> 3
temp count -> 3

⊙ 28: end while
---- WHILE LOOP, DONE ----

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Loop actions

Repeat / until

Denotes the beginning of a **repeat/until** loop.

15		name	value
16	local variable	temp count	1
17			
18	repeat		
19			
20		text	
21	report	#temp count	
22			
23		variable	value
24	set variable	temp count	#temp count + 1
25			
26		condition to stop	
27	until	#temp count = 3	
28			

```

Ⓢ 16: [14:12:30/ 1ms] local variable (name: temp count) [value: 1]
temp count -> 1
Ⓢ 18: repeat
--- REPEAT LOOP, NEXT CYCLE ---
21: 1
Ⓢ 24: [14:12:30/ 1ms] set variable [variable: temp count] [value: #temp count + 1]
#temp count + 1 -> 2
temp count -> 2
Ⓢ 27: [14:12:30/ 1ms] until [condition to stop: #temp count = 3]
#temp count = 3 -> false
--- REPEAT LOOP, NEXT CYCLE ---
21: 2
Ⓢ 24: [14:12:30/ 1ms] set variable [variable: temp count] [value: #temp count + 1]
#temp count + 1 -> 3
temp count -> 3
Ⓢ 27: [14:12:30/ 1ms] until [condition to stop: #temp count = 3]
#temp count = 3 -> true
--- REPEAT LOOP, DONE ---

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Operators

Comparison

Symbol	Operation	Priority
=	equal to	4
<>, !=	not equal to	4
>	greater than	4
>=	greater than or equal to	4
<	less than	4
<=	less than or equal to	4

Logical

Symbol	Operation	Priority
not	Value is TRUE if its operand is FALSE	5
and	Value is TRUE if and only if both sides of the and operator are TRUE	6
or	Value is TRUE if either side of the or operator is TRUE	7

Settings

Settings are used to steer the automation process. They control how your action lines are handled by the TestArchitect interpreter or automation.

More information: testarchitect.logigear.com/onlinehelp/#TA_Automation/Topics/bia_setting.html

7	INITIAL	Setting up	
8			
9	// set the maximum wait time for a control or HTML element to become available or, depending upon the action involved, unavailable.		
10			
11		setting	value
12	setting	object wait	30
13			

Dynamic identifiers

A value for a window/control argument which, instead of using a TA name, directly identifies a UI element through its TA class and TA property values.

More Information: testarchitect.logigear.com/onlinehelp/#TA_Help/Topics/The_test_language_dynamic_identifiers.html

15	// Enter the name "john" into the 'User name' field		
16		window	control
17	enter	login	[ta class = textbox, description = user name]
18			john
19	// Click the 'Login' button		
20		window	control
21	click	[title = Car Rental-Login]	[ta class = button, caption = Login]
22			
23	// If successful, 'Login' window disappears		
24		window	
25	check window not exists	[title = Car Rental-Login]	

A dynamic identifier is surrounded by a pair of square brackets.

17:	[11:06:31/ 453ms]	enter	[window: login] [control: [ta class = textbox, description = user name]] [value: john]
21:	[11:06:32/ 187ms]	click	[window: [title = Car Rental-Login]] [control: [ta class = button, caption = Login]]
25:	[11:06:32/ 31ms]	check window not exists	[window: [title = Car Rental-Login]]
check		window not exists	
expected		[title = Car Rental-Login] not exists	
recorded		[title = Car Rental-Login] not exists	
result		passed	

Wildcards

A specific regular expression pattern that can be used to substitute for any other character or characters in a string, allowing for flexibility in pattern matching.

More Information: testarchitect.logigear.com/onlinehelp/#TA_Tutorials/Topics/Wildcards.html

16	//Click a text whose string value begins with 'Car - 5'		
17	Wildcards ". *", represent "matching any contiguous set of characters".		
18		window	control
19	click	scrumboard	[ta class=li, text= {Car - 5.*}]

19: [14:14:37/ 546ms] click [window: scrumboard] [control: [ta class=li, text={Car - 5.*}]]

Checks

Any point in a test procedure in which any type of check action exists. check actions are the only actions that register pass/fail results.

Example

Action Lines

19			
20		window	control
21	check control exists	view cars	available car
22			

21: check control exists [view cars] [available car]

check	control
expected	available car
recorded	control found
result	passed

ACTION BASED TESTING LANGUAGE (ABTL)

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Error handling & recovery

TestArchitect provides a number of mechanisms to support error handling and recovery to allow for tests to continue to run after encountering unanticipated errors, warnings or test failures.

on error

Specify the execution path to take in the event of an error.

For example, in the event of an error, you would like TestArchitect to abandon the current test case and continue with the next test case in the same test module, specify the 'exit test case' argument in the test procedure.

7	INITIAL	Setting up	
8			
9		behavior	
10	on error	exit test case	
11			
12	TEST CASE	TC 01	User is able to select car
13	test objective	TO 01	User is able to select car
14			
15		car	number of cars
16	select car	Compact/Toyot...	1
17			
18		car	
19	check car selected	Compact/Toyota Prius	
20			
21			
22	TEST CASE	TC 02	User is able to search order
23	test objective	TO 02	User is able to search order
24			
25		value	
26	search order	RCV0	
27			
28		field name	expected value
29	check order information	First Name	John
30			

◉ INITIAL, Setting up

10: on error [behavior:exit test case]

◉ Test case: TC 01, User is able to select car

Error(s) at line(s): 16-9

13: test objective TO 01 - User is able to select car

◉ (E) 16: select car [car:Compact/Toyota Prius] [number of cars:1]

(the remaining lines of the test case will be skipped)

◉ (E) 9: click tree node [window:car selection] [tree:car select tree] [node path:"Car Types/" & car]

"Car Types/" & car->Car Types/Compact/Toyota Prius

ERROR: No window found matching "car selection" within the timeout of "20" seconds.

Please check the interface definition for "car selection", or set a longer timeout with the "window wait" setting.

<<<stopping action, returning to test module>>>

◉ Test case: TC 02, User is able to search order

23: test objective TO 02 - User is able to search order

◉ 26: search order [value:RCV0]

◉ 29: check order information [field name:First Name] [expected value:John]

on error action

Specify the action to be invoked in the event of an error.

As an example, the following is a simple error handler that, when called, merely captures the screen at the time of the error, saving it to a designated jpg file

7	INITIAL	Setting up	
8			
9			
10		level	
11	set notice level	0	
12			
13		action	
14		error handler	
15	on error action		
16			
17			
18	TEST CASE	TC 01	User is able to view order
19	test objective	TO 01	User is able to view order
20			
21		window	control
22	click	welcome	view orders
23			
24		window	
25	check window exists	view orders	
26			

◉ [13:48:58/ 93ms] INITIAL, Setting up

11: [13:48:58/ 1ms] set notice level [level: 0]

15: [13:48:58/ 93ms] on error action [action: error handler]

◉ [13:48:58/ 10359ms:19s:245ms] Test case: TC 01, User is able to view order

Failed at line(s): 25

Error(s) at line(s): 22

19: test objective: TO 01 - User is able to view order

◉ (E) 22: [13:48:58/ 20s:296ms] click [window: welcome] [control: view orders]

ERROR: No matching UI object found for "view orders" within the timeout of "20" seconds. Please check the interface definition for "view orders", or set a longer timeout with the "object wait" setting.

Executing action 'error handler', as specified in 'on error action'.

>>> EXECUTED ACTION: error handler <<<

◉ 22: [NA/ 10358ms:38s:747ms] error handler

6: [13:49:18/ 125ms] capture screen [image location: D:\Images\failure.jpg]

◉ 11: [13:49:18/ 2s:340ms] close application [window: welcome]

◉ 25: [13:49:20/ 20s:202ms] check window exists [window: view orders]

check window exists

expected view orders exists

recorded view orders not exists

result failed

1	ACTION DEFINITION	error handler
2		
3		
4		
5		image location
6	capture screen	D:\Images\failure.jpg
7		
8		
9		
10		window
11	close application	welcome

Error handling & recovery

on failure action

Specify the action to be invoked in the event of a check failure from any check-type action.

The following example, when called, captures the screen in the event of a check failure, saving it to a jpg file

7	INITIAL	Setting up
8		
9	on failure action	failure handler
10		
11		
12	TEST CASE	TC 01 User is able to login
13	test objective	TO 01 User is able to login
14		
15	login	username password
16		john
17		
18	//check if there is a Welcome link in Home page.	
19		
20	check control exists	window control
21		home welcome
22		

1	ACTION DEFINITION	failure handler
2		
3		
4	//Capture screen on failure	
5		
6		image location
7	capture screen	D:\Images\failure.jpg

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@ [13:57:53/ 437ms] INITIAL, Setting up
10: [13:57:53/ 437ms] on failure action [action: failure handler]
@ [13:57:53/ 10367ms:56s:716ms] Test case: TC 01, User is able to login
Failed at line(s): 21
13: test objective: TO 01 - User is able to login
@ 16: [13:57:53/ 1s:467ms] login [username: john] [password:]
@ 21: [13:57:55/ 20s:779ms] check control exists [window: home] [control: welcome]

check: control exists
expected: welcome exists
recorded: welcome not exists
result: failed

Executing action 'failure handler', as specified in 'on failure action'.
>>> EXECUTED ACTION: failure handler <<<

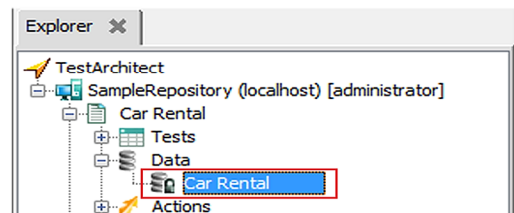
@ 21: [NA/ 10367m:34s:470ms] failure handler
7: [13:58:16/ 453ms] capture screen [image location: D:\Images\failure.jpg]

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Data set

A Data set is a collection of data. It contains rows of values that can be retrieved by an automated test and acted on sequentially.

Data sets are stored in the Data subtree of the TestArchitect explorer tree, and can be organized into folders and subfolders.



Sample test script:

```

14
15 //Use a data set with a specified filter
16
17 use data set      name    filter
18                  /Car Rental    long
19
20 report           test
21                  # city pickup
22
23 repeat for data set
24
25 //Use a data set with a filter expression directly within the 'filter' argument
26
27 use data set      name    filter
28                  /Car Rental    duration >= 4
29
30 report           test
31                  # city pickup
32
33 repeat for data set

```

A data set worksheet typically resembles the following.

Car Rental					
Data Lines					
	A	B	C	D	E
1	DATA SET				
2	Car Rental				
3		duration	country pickup	state pickup	city pickup
4	row	3	Canada	British Columbia	Kamloops
5	row	1	United States	Texas	Houston
6	row	2	United States	Florida	Bressard
7	row	5	United States	California	San Diego
8	row	4	Canada	Manitoba	Dauphin
9					
10		name	criteria		
11	filter	long	duration >= 4		
12					

Sample test result:

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@ 18: use data set [name: /Car Rental] [filter: long]
21: San Diego
@ 23: repeat for data set
21: Dauphin
@ 23: repeat for data set
---- end of cycle
@ 28: use data set [name: /Car Rental] [filter: duration >= 4]
31: San Diego
@ 33: repeat for data set
31: Dauphin
@ 33: repeat for data set
---- end of cycle

```