Debugging JS with Chrome

>The little power tools



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Async call stacks

```
setTimeout(function () {
    $.ajax({
        url: 'http://echo.jsontest.com/foo/bar'
    }).done(function(response) {
        debugger;
    });
}, 500);
```



▼ Call Stack	Async
(anonymous function)	(index):26
jQuery.Callbacks.fire	jquery-git2.js:3073
jQuery.Callbacks.self.fireWith	jquery-git2.js:3185
done	jquery–git2.js:8245
jQuery.ajaxTransport.send.callback	jquery-git2.js:8592

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XMLHttpRequest.send (async)		
jQuery.ajaxTransport.send	jquery-git2.js:8617	
jQuery.extend.ajax	jquery-git2.js:8146	
(anonymous function)	(index):23	
setTimeout (asyno	<i>=</i>)	
(anonymous function)	(index):22	
jQuery.event.dispatch	jquery-git2.js:4405	
jQuery.event.add.elemData.handle	jquery-git2.js:4091	
DOMWindow.addEventListener("load") (async)	
jQuery.event.add	jquery-git2.js:4137	
(anonymous function)	jquery-git2.js:4831	
jQuery.extend.each	jquery-git2.js:375	
jQuery.fn.jQuery.each	jquery-git2.js:139	
jQuery.fn.extend.on	jquery-git2.js:4830	
jQuery.each.jQuery.fn.(anonymous function)	jquery–git2.js:7454	
jQuery.fn.load	jquery-git2.js:8822	
(anonymous function)	(index):21	

Console API: the basics

```
var obj = {
  prop: 1, child: {
    prop: 2
    }
};
console.log(obj);
console.log('%O\n%o', document.body, document.body);
console.warn('something unexpected happened');
console.error('something went wrong');
console.assert("str" instanceof String, 'gotcha!');
```

Console API: time() and count()

```
function fibonacci(n) {
  return (n > 1) ? fibonacci(n - 2) + fibonacci(n - 1) : n;
}
console.time('fibonacci');
console.log(fibonacci(30));
console.timeEnd('fibonacci');

document.addEventListener('keydown', function(event) {
  console.count(String.fromCharCode(event.keyCode));
});
```

```
832040
fibonacci: 14.798ms

undefined

W: 1

W: 2

W: 3

A: 1

S: 1

D: 1

D: 2
```

Console from the inside

proto : ConsoleBase

```
▶ assert: function assert() { [native code] }
▶ clear: function clear() { [native codel }
▶ constructor: function ConsoleBase() { [native code] }
▶ count: function count() { [native code] }
▶ debug: function debug() { [native code] }
▶ dir: function dir() { [native code] }
▶ dirxml: function dirxml() { [native codel }
▶ error: function error() { [native codel }
▶ group: function group() { [native code] }
▶ groupCollapsed: function groupCollapsed() { [native code] }
▶ groupEnd: function groupEnd() { [native code] }
▶ info: function info() { [native code] }
▶ log: function log() { [native code] }
▶ markTimeline: function markTimeline() { [native code] }
▶ profile: function profile() { [native code] }
▶ profileEnd: function profileEnd() { [native code] }
▶ table: function table() { [native code] }
▶ time: function time() { [native code] }
▶ timeEnd: function timeEnd() { [native code] }
▶ timeStamp: function timeStamp() { [native code] }
▶ timeline: function timeline() { [native codel }
▶ timelineEnd: function timelineEnd() { [native code] }
▶ trace: function trace() { [native code] }
▶ warn: function warn() { [native code] }
```

Console API: table()

```
var people = [
     name: 'Hopper', surname: 'Herring'
  }, {
     name: 'Sampson', surname: 'Douglas'
  }, {
     name: 'Carmella', surname: 'Vincent'
console.table(people);
console.table(
  document.querySelectorAll('a'),
  ['href', 'text']
```

(index)	A	name	surname	
0		"Hopper"	"Herring"	
1		"Sampson"	"Douglas"	
2		"Carmella"	"Vincent"	
			VM3826:11	
(index)		href	text ▲	
132		"https://developers.g	" "	
gc-logo		"https://developers.g	1111	
0		"https://developers.g	***	
68		"https://developers.g	"0.1"	
58		"https://developers.g	"1.0"	
47		"https://developers.g	"1.1"	
130		"http://www.apache.or	"Apache 2.0 License"	
13		"https://developers.g	"Authoring and Develo…	
96		"https://developers.g	"Blog posts"	
136		"https://developers.g	"Careers"	

Console API: other methods

clear()	remove all previous output
<pre>debug(), info()</pre>	aliases for log()
<pre>group(), groupEnd()</pre>	grouped output
<pre>profile(), profileEnd()</pre>	last evaluated expression
timeStamp()	marking the timeline
trace()	stack trace

Digging out Command Line API

```
(function() {
   debugger;
})();
with (__commandLineAPI || { __proto__: null }) {
   (function() {
      debugger;
})();
}
```

```
var members = Object.keys(__commandLineAPI)
.filter(function(key) {
    return ! (key in console);
}).reduce(function(obj, key) {
    obj[key] = __commandLineAPI[key];
    return obj;
}, {});
console.dir(members);
```

Command Line API: overview

```
▼ Object 🗈
     ▶ $0: div#gc-wrapper
     ▶ $1: div#needAuth.msqDialogContent
     ▶ $2: div#qc-appbar
     ▶ $3: li
     ▶ $4: ima
     ▶ $$: function $$(selector, [startNode]) { [Command Line API] }
     ▶ $ : Object
     ▶ $x: function $x(xpath, [startNode]) { [Command Line API] }
     ▶ copy: function copy(object) { [Command Line API] }
     ▶ getEventListeners: function getEventListeners(node) { [Command Line API] }
     ▶ inspect: function inspect(object) { [Command Line API] }
     ▶ keys: function keys(object) { [Command Line API] }
     ▶ monitor: function monitor(fn) { [Command Line API] }
     ▶ monitorEvents: function monitorEvents(object, [types]) { [Command Line API] }
     ▶ undebug: function undebug(fn) { [Command Line API] }

→ unmonitor: function unmonitor(fn) { [Command Line API] }
     ▶ unmonitorEvents: function unmonitorEvents(object, [types]) { [Command Line API] }
     ▶ values: function values(object) { [Command Line API] }
```

Command Line API: shortcuts

\$(selector)	document.querySelector()
\$\$(selector)	<pre>document.querySelectorAll()</pre>
\$_	last evaluated expression
\$0 - \$4	last 5 inspected DOM nodes or heap entries
\$x(path)	XPath query

Command Line API: monitoring events

```
> monitorEvents(document, 'mousedown');
undefined
mousedown ▶ MouseEvent {dataTransfer: null, toElement: div#gc-wrapper, fromElement: null, y: 116, x: 171...}
mousedown ▶ MouseEvent {dataTransfer: null, toElement: th, fromElement: null, y: 74, x: 394...}
> monitorEvents(document, 'key');
undefined
mousedown ▶ MouseEvent {dataTransfer: null, toElement: div#gc-wrapper, fromElement: null, y: 130, x: 189...}
keydown ▶ KeyboardEvent {altGraphKey: false, repeat: false, metaKey: false, altKey: false, shiftKey: false...}
keypress ▶ KeyboardEvent {altGraphKey: false, repeat: false, metaKey: false, altKey: false, shiftKey: false...}
> unmonitorEvents(document, ['keyup', 'keydown']);
undefined
mousedown ▶ MouseEvent {dataTransfer: null, toElement: td, fromElement: null, y: 147, x: 345...}
keypress ▶ KeyboardEvent {altGraphKey: false, repeat: false, metaKey: false, altKey: false, shiftKey: false...}
> **Weypress ▶ KeyboardEvent {altGraphKey: false, repeat: false, metaKey: false, altKey: false, shiftKey: false...}
```

Command Line API: hidden hooks

```
> function f() {};
  monitor(f);
  f(1); f(2); f(3);
  function f called with arguments: 1
  function f called with arguments: 2
  function f called with arguments: 3
undefined
> debug(f);
  f(4);
  function f called with arguments: 4
undefined
> undebug(f);
  unmonitor(f);
```

```
1 with (_commandLineAPI || { __proto__: null }) {
2 function f() {};
3 monitor(f);
4 f(1); f(2); f(3);
5 }
```

Command Line API: other methods

copy(object)	copies string representation to clipboard
<pre>inspect(object)</pre>	shows object in DOM inspector or profiler
<pre>getEventListeners(object)</pre>	returns hash of arrays of listeners
<pre>profile(), profileEnd()</pre>	last evaluated expression
keys(object)	same as Object.keys(object)
values(object)	returns array of object's values

Thanks!

Useful links

- > Google Chrome Console API docs
- > Google Chrome Command Line API docs
- > "Lesser-Known JavaScript Debugging Techniques" by Amjad Masad
- > "Advanced JavaScript Debugging with console.table()" by Marius Schulz

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