Automating Web Performance Testing with PhantomJS 2

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Measuring Page Load Time



Date.now() || Date().getTime()

- When was the page loaded?
- Add an event listener
- Get the current time
- Profit
- Example: Simple.html

However...

- JavaScript time is notoriously inaccurate
- It is skewed by adjustments to the system clock
- it can't provide any data regarding the server, network, and so on.
- Example: all-old.html (add HRT)

DOMContentLoaded

document.addEventListener('DOMContentLoaded', function (event)

- document has been completely loaded and parsed.
- stylesheets, images, and subframes have not finished loading

load | onload

```
window.addEventListener('load', function (event)
```

The load event is fired when a resource and its dependent resources have finished loading.

```
<body onload="bodyload()">
```

readyState

- "loading" while the document is loading
- "interactive" once it is finished parsing (but still loading sub-resources)
- "complete" once it has loaded.

Basic loading and blocking

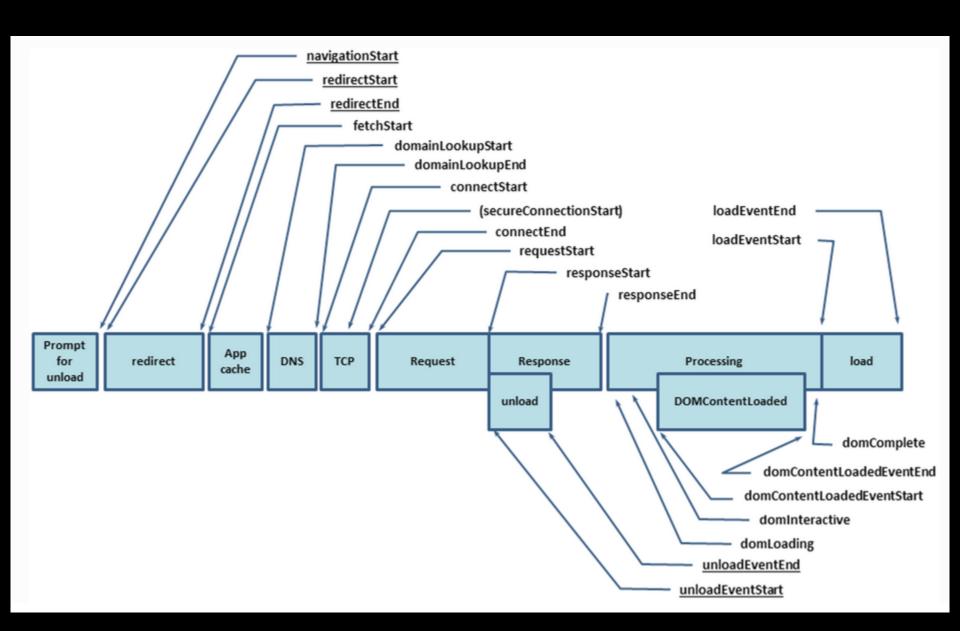
Enter Navigation Timing API

Navigation Timing is a JavaScript API for accurately measuring performance on the web.

HRT

```
performance.now();
```

- The timestamps returned by Performance. now() are up to microsecond precision.
- Example: perf.now.html



Navigation Timing API ■ - REC

Global

81.7%

unprefixed:

81.52%

API for accessing timing information related to navigation and elements.

Current alig	ned Usage	relative	Show all					
IE	Firefox	Chrome	Safari	Opera	iOS Safari*	Opera Mini *	Android Browser*	Chrome for Android
		31						
		36						
		37					4.1	
8		38					4.3	
9		39					4.4	
10	35	40	7.1		7.1		4.4.4	
11	36	41	8	27	8.1	8	37	40
TP	37	42		28				
	38	43		29				
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window.performance simple-new.html

PhantomJS 2

- Released January 2015
- Headless Web browser
- Based on <u>QTWebkit</u>



PhantomJS 2 Feature Detect

```
csscolumns{}
                                                             hidden: true
                                                                                            lowbandwidth: false
input{}
                                 o width: true
                                                             microdata: false

    autocomplete: true

                                                                                            eventsource: true
                                                             mutationobserver: true

    autofocus: true

                                 span: true
                                                                                           xhrresponsetype: true
  • list: true
                                 fill: false
                                                             draganddrop: true
                                                                                           xhrresponsetypearraybuffer:
  placeholder: true
                                 o gap: true
                                                             datalistelem: true
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  ∘ max: true
                                 rule: true
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  o min: true
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                                 rulecolor: true
                                                             outputelem: true
  multiple: true
                                 rulestyle: true
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  o pattern: true
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  ∘ required: true

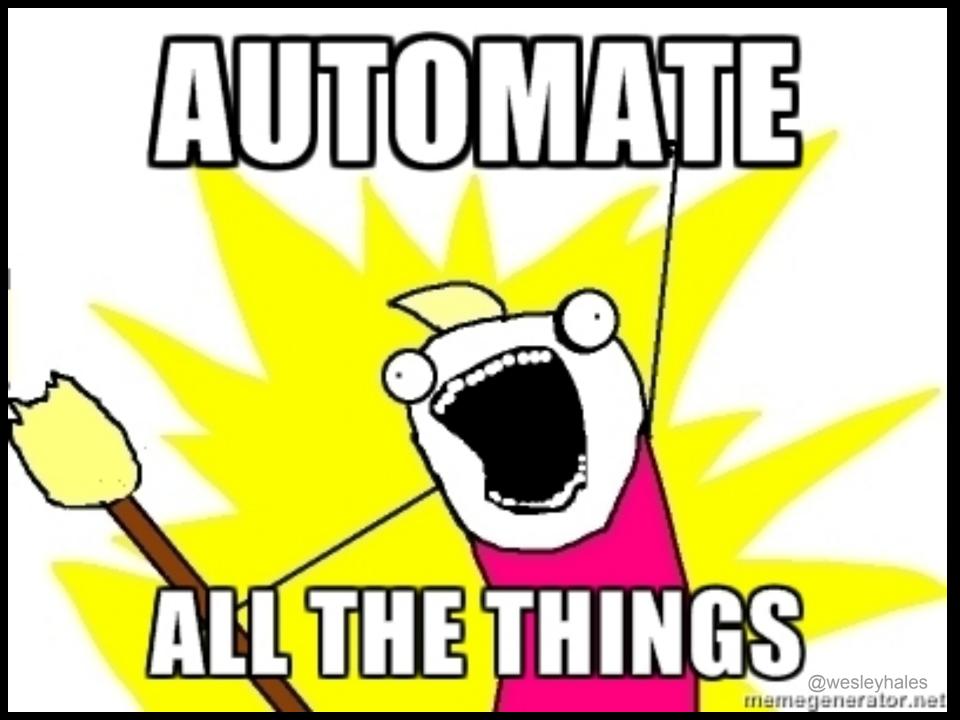
    breakbefore: true

                                                             meter: true
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  o step: true
                                 breakafter: true
                                                             ruby: true
                                                                                           xhr2: true
inputtypes{}
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    breakinside: true

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                                                             texttrackapi: false
                                                                                           pagevisibility: true
  search: true
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  o tel: true
                              displayrunin: true
                                                             track: false
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  o url: true
                              display-runin: true
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                              displaytable: true
                                                             emoji: true
                                                                                           pointerlock: false
  datetime: false
                              display-table: true
                                                             es5array: true
                                                                                           postmessage: true
  date: false
                              ellipsis: true
                                                                                           proximity: false
                                                             es5date: true
  o month: false
                                                             es5function: true
                                                                                           queryselector: true
                              cssescape: false
  week: false
                              cssexunit: true
                                                             es5object: true
                                                                                           quotamanagement: false
  time: false
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                              supports: false
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                                                             es5string: true
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  number: false
                              flexbox: true
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                              flexboxlegacy: true
  o range: true
                                                             es5syntax: true
                                                                                           scriptdefer: true
  color: true
                              flexboxtweener: false
                                                             es5undefined: true
                                                                                            serviceworker: false
adownload: true
                              flexwrap: true
                                                             es5: true
                                                                                           speechrecognition: false
ambientlight: false
                              fontface: true
                                                             es6array: false
                                                                                            speechsynthesis: false
applicationcache: true
                              generatedcontent: true
                                                             contains: false
                                                                                           localstorage: true
audio: false
                              cssaradients: true
                                                             generators: false
                                                                                           sessionstorage: true
audioloop: false
                              hsla: true
                                                             es6math: false
                                                                                           websaldatabase: true
                              cssinvalid: true
                                                             es6number: false
                                                                                           stylescoped: false
audiopreload: false
webaudio: false
                              lastchild: true
                                                             es6object: false
                                                                                            sva: true
batteryapi: false
                              cssmask: true
                                                             promises: false
                                                                                           svgasimg: true wesleyhales
battery-api: false
                              mediaqueries: true
                                                             es6string: false
                                                                                           svgclippaths: true
lowbattery: false
                              multiplebgs: true
                                                             devicemotion: false
                                                                                           svafilters: true
```

Basic PhantomJS && http://phantomjs.
org/examples/



Loadreport.js (2012-2015)





THE Huffington Post











Speedgun.js

- Rewrite of loadreport.js
- Leverages all implemented PhantomJS 2 Navigation Timing APIs
- (shims resource timing)

Speedgun.js

```
[~/dev/speedgun] → phantomjs core/speedgun.js -h
You must supply a URL
  Usage: phantomjs --config=core/pconfig.json core/speedgun.js [options] url
 Options:
    -h, --help
                             This help
   -t. --task
                             Choose task (performance) [performance]
   -f, --format
                             How much information (detailed|simple) [simple]
   -o. --output
                             Output format (json|csv|junit|post) [json]
   -ua, --userAgent
                             Set the user agent (chrome|android|iphone) [chrome]
   -v, --version
                             Not implemented yet
   -u, --uuid
                             only used for server side run in speedgun.io
    --verbose
                             Turn on verbose logging
                             Wipe the file instead of appending to it on each report
    --wipe
    --phantomCacheEnabled
                             Enable PhantomJS cache
```

Speedgun.js

Speedgun.io

- Allows Speedgun.js to run as a service
- Dockerized
- New term... Synthetic RUM

Speedgun.io

RUM

Real user monitoring (RUM) is a passive monitoring technology that records all user interaction with a website or client interacting with a server or cloud-based application.

Synthetic RUM?

- Use Speedgun.io as centralized server
- All docker nodes send beacon with:
 - Current container CPU and memory usage
- Yes, another demo...

Thanks!!

- speedgun.io (github)
- Navigation Timing API
- Navigation Timing 2
- Resource Timing API