Advanced Web Lab (Websockets)

Explore and Observe

Use the Console to observe how the readyState property changes during each stage of a WebSocket connection.

Before Opening the Connection

Open the Console and type: socket.readyState

1. What number do you see? What does that value represent in the WebSocket lifecycle?

Answer: there was no number, I got an error

Immediately After Clicking "Open Connection"

Type again: socket.readyState

2. What value do you see now? Which constant does it match (CONNECTING, OPEN, CLOSING, or CLOSED)?

Answer: I got a number of 0, assuming that is for connecting.

When the "Status: Connected " Appears

Check socket.readyState again.

3. What value is displayed? What does that tell you about the connection's ability to send and receive data?

Answer: constant of 1 for connected/open.

While the Connection Is Still Open

Type several messages using the Send button.

4. Does socket.readyState change during normal message exchange? Why or why not?

Answer: It does not change

After Clicking "Close Connection"

Check socket.readyState immediately after you click Close.

5. What value do you see while the connection is shutting down? What value do you see a few seconds later, after it fully closes?

Answer: There are two different numbers, there is a 2 (when the connection is closing), and a constant of 3 after t has closed.