JavaScript Debugging

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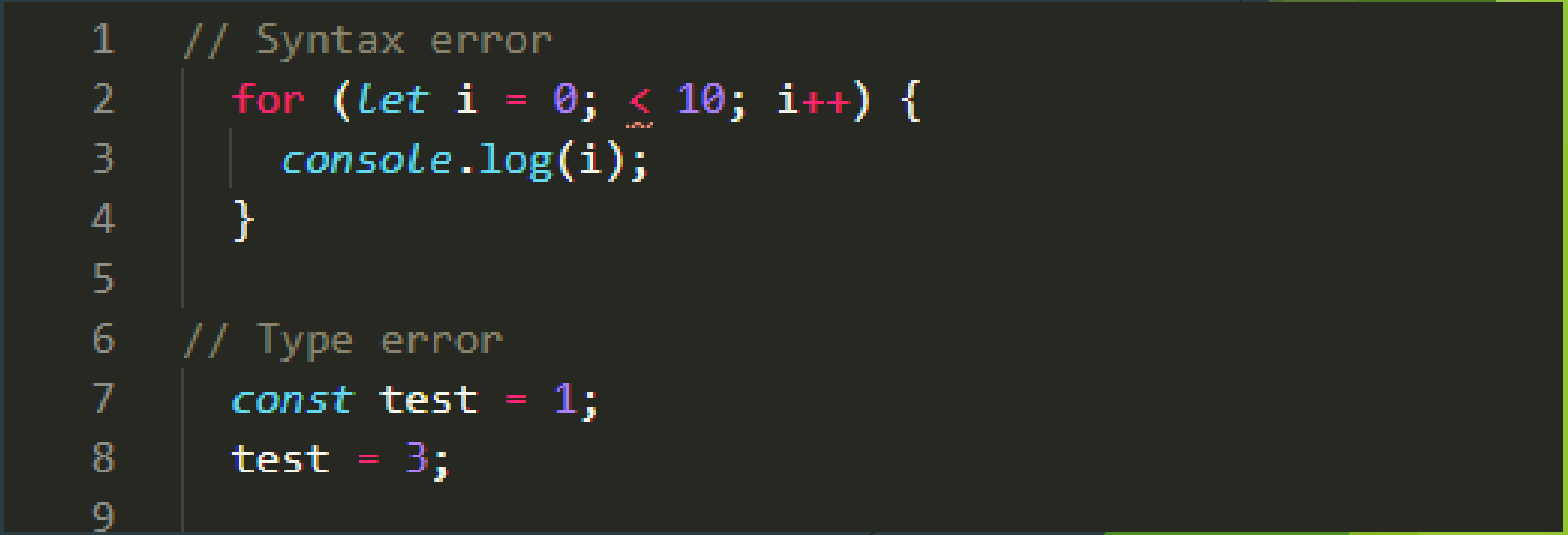
1. What is a debugger?

- Program used to test and run the target program under controlled conditions that permit the programmer monitoring the changes while it runs that may indicate malfunctioning code.

Visual Studio Code

1.1 Syntax or type errors

- These are always caught by the compiler, and reported via error messages. Typically, an error message clearly indicates the cause of error; for instance, the line number, the incorrect piece of code, and an explanation.



```
// Syntax error
for (let i = 0; < 10; i++) {
  console.log(i);
}

// Type error
const test = 1;
test = 3;

```

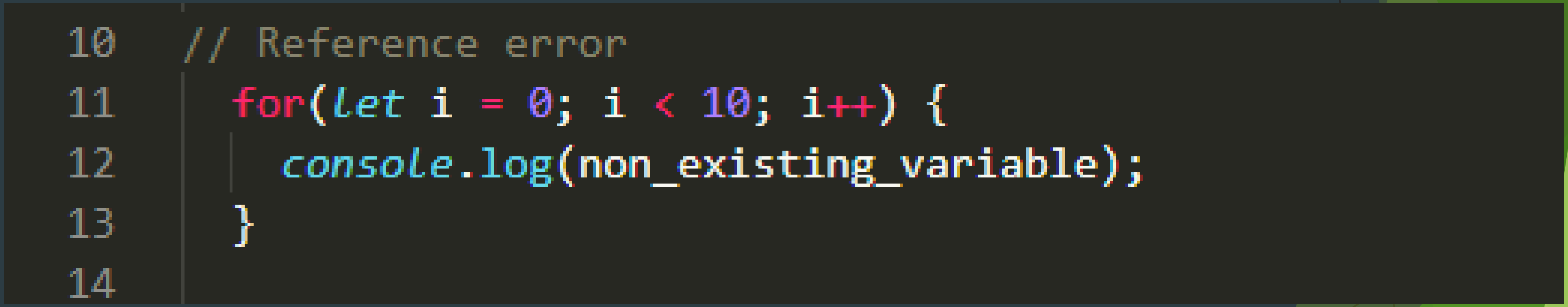
1.2 Typos and other simple errors

- That have pass undetected by the type-checker or the other checks in the compiler. Once these are identified, they can easily be fixed. Passing parameters in incorrect order, or using the wrong element order in tuples.

  `x + y * z` instead of `(x + y) * z;`

1.3 Reference errors

- Represents an **error** when a non-existent variable is referenced.

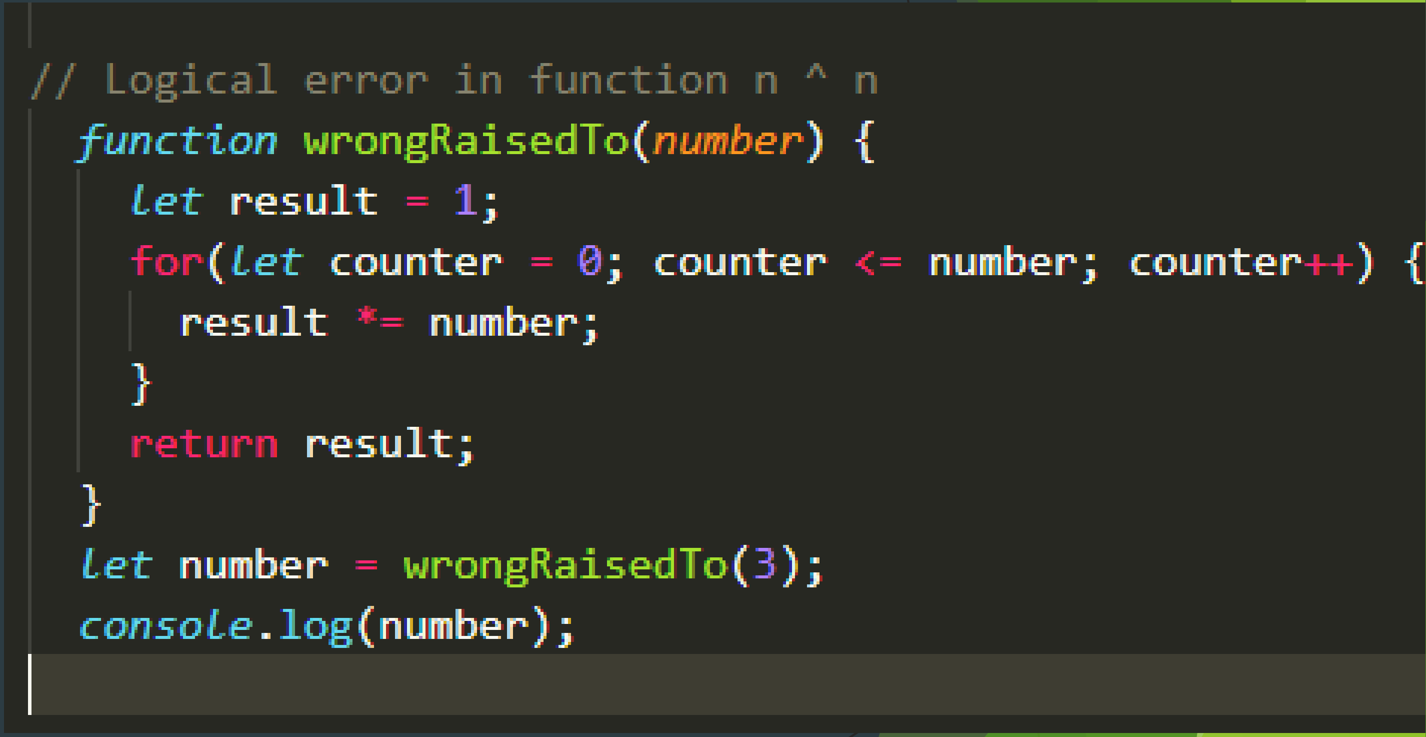


```
// Reference error
for(let i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
  console.log(non_existing_variable);
}

```

1.4 Implementarion and logical errors

- It may be the case that logic in the high-level algorithm of a program is correct, but some low-level, concrete data structures are being manipulated incorrectly, breaking some internal representation invariants. If the algorithm is logically flawed, the programmer must re-think the algorithm. Fixing such problems is more difficult, especially if the program fails on just a few corner cases.



```
// Logical error in function n ^ n
function wrongRaisedTo(number) {
  let result = 1;
  for(let counter = 0; counter <= number; counter++) {
    result *= number;
  }
  return result;
}
let number = wrongRaisedTo(3);
console.log(number);
```

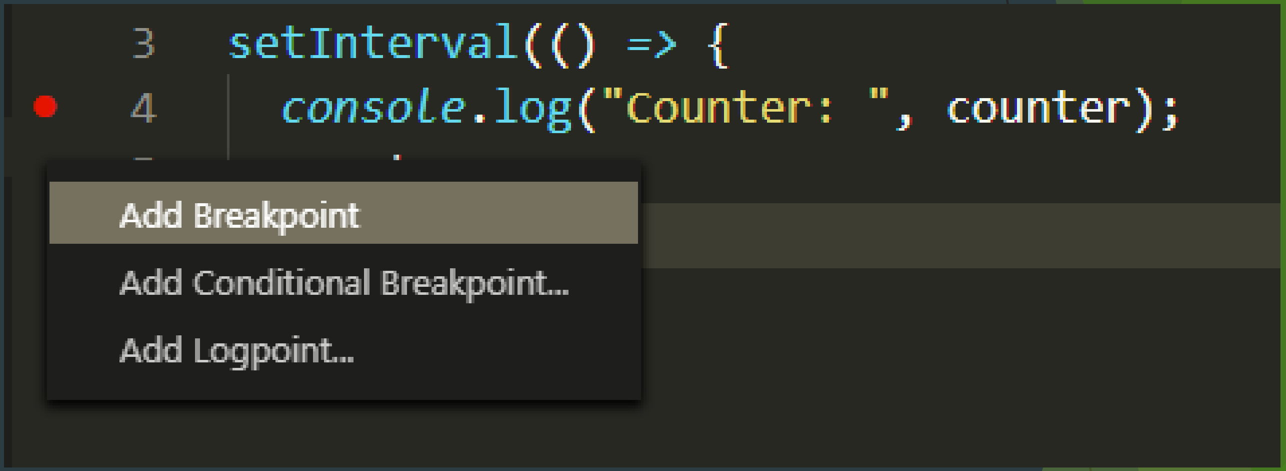
2. Strategies

1. Incremental and bottom-up program development
2. Instrument program with assertions
3. Use debuggers
4. Backtracking
5. Binary search
6. Problem simplification
7. Scientific method: form hypotheses
8. Bug clustering

3. Breakpoints / Logpoints

- A line where the program prints a message or stops till the user clicks to continue the execution.

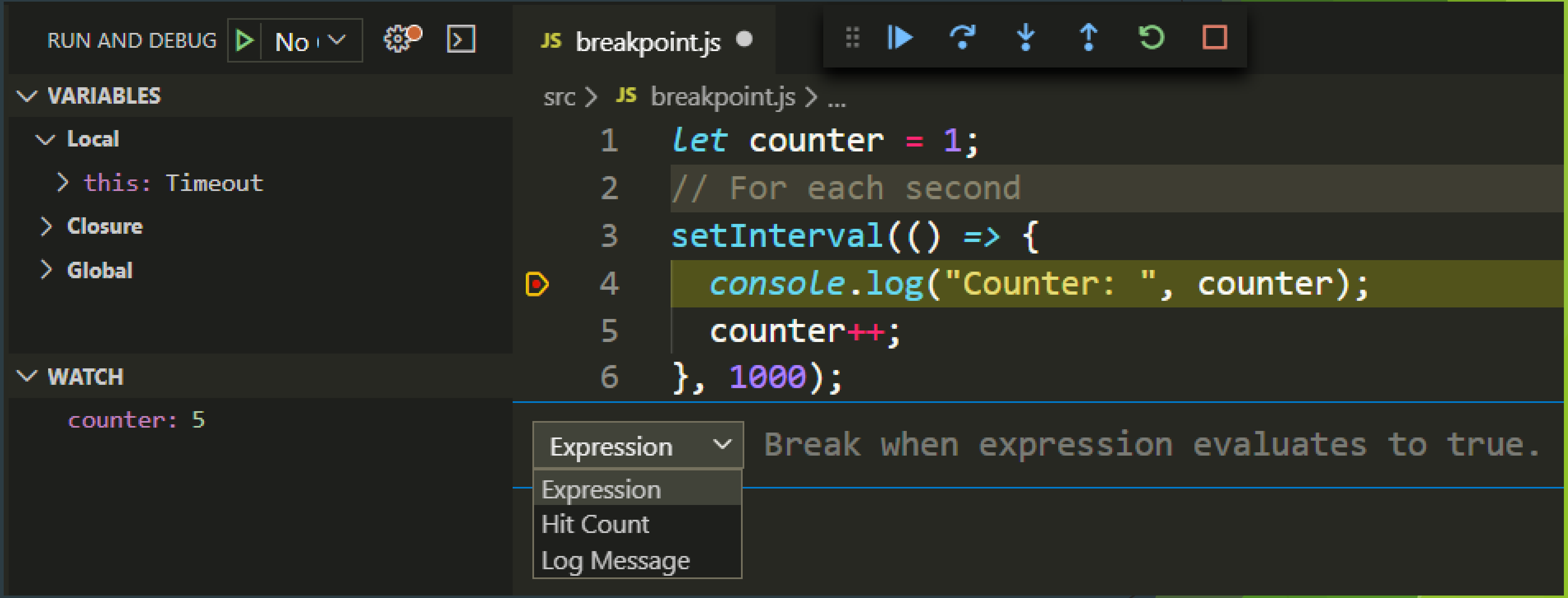
- They are used for controlling the variables while the program is running helping the programmer to find errors in the code.



```
setInterval(() => {
  console.log("Counter: ", counter);
```

3.1 Breakpoints / Logpoints Types

- Normal
- Conditional
- Hit count
- Log message

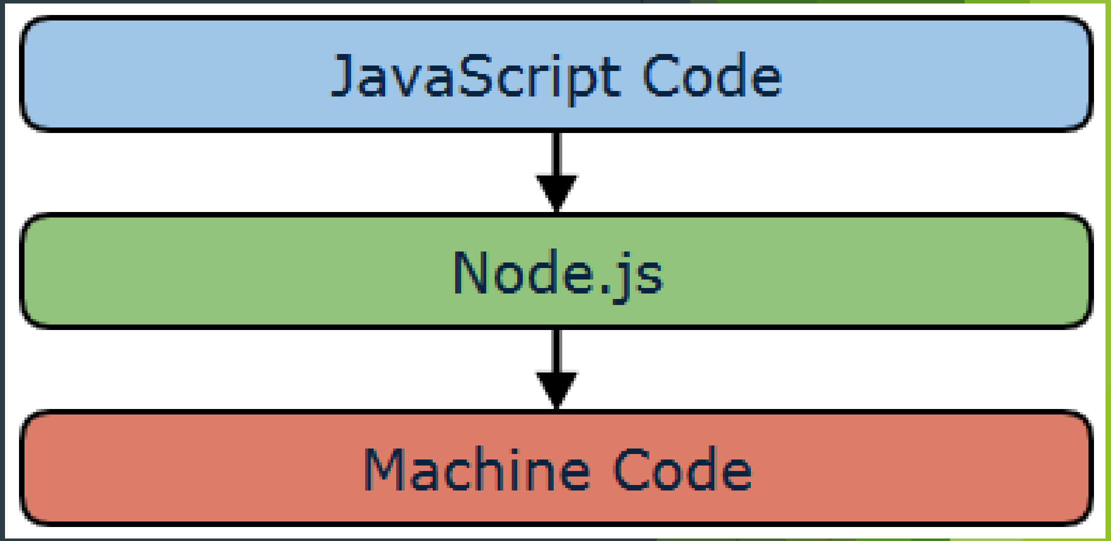


```
this: Timeout
```

```
counter: 5
```

```javascript
let counter = 1;
// For each second
setInterval(() => {
  console.log("Counter: ", counter);
  counter++;
}, 1000);
```

4. Node.js

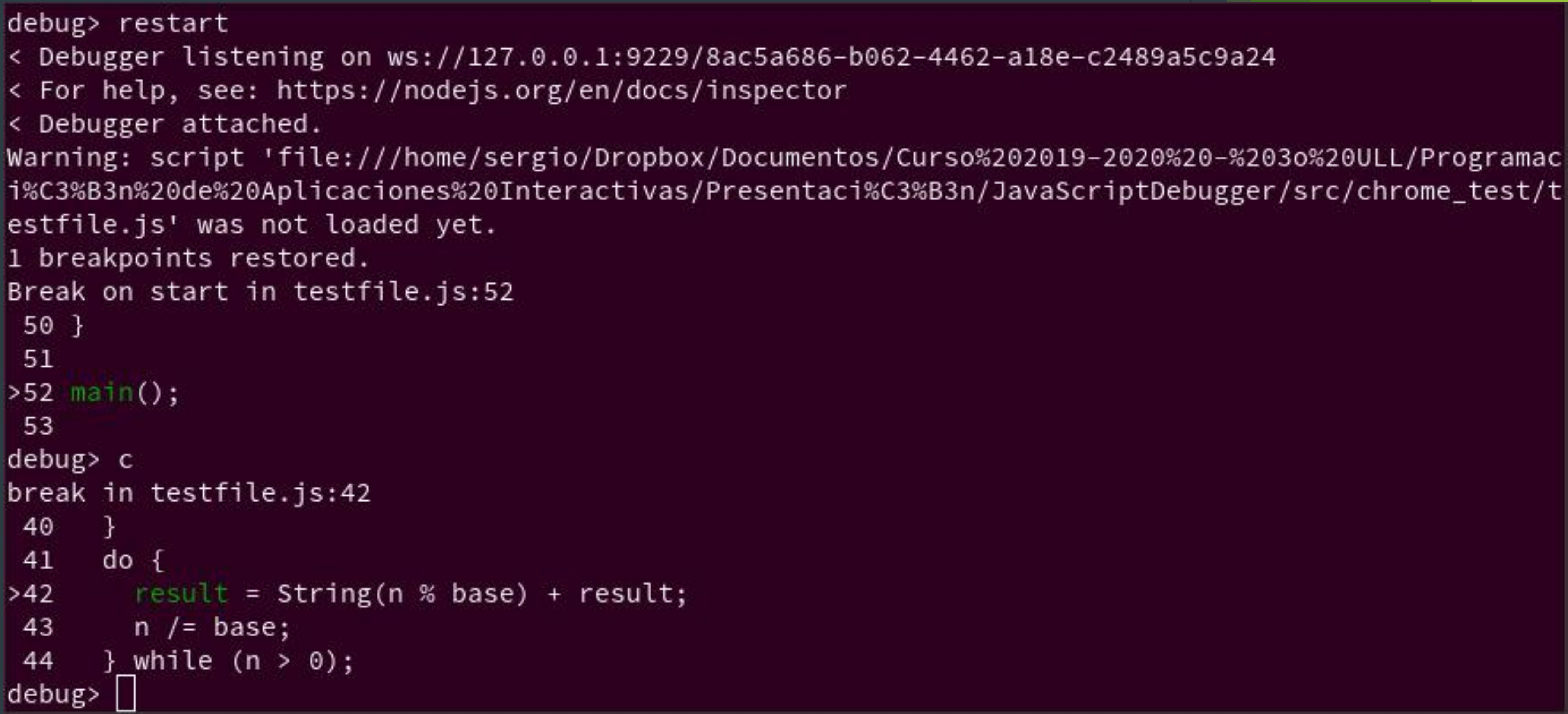


4.1 Stepping

- cont, c: Continue execution
- next, n: Step next
- step, s: Step in
- out, o: Step out
- pause: Pause running code

4.2 Execution control

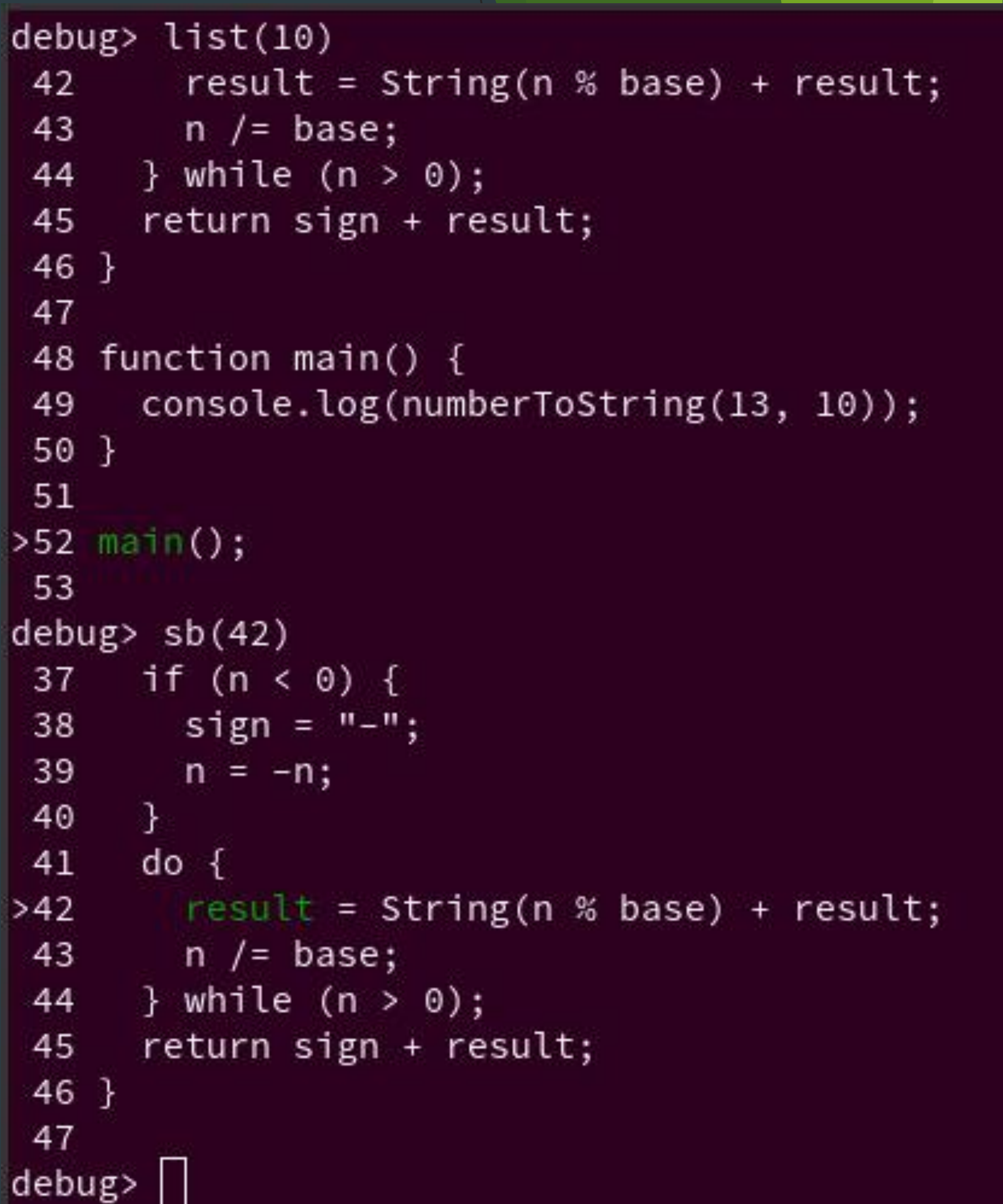
- Run
- Restart
- Kill



```
debug> restart
< Debugger listening on ws://127.0.0.1:9229/8ac5a686-b062-4462-a18e-c2489a5c9a24
< For help, see: https://nodejs.org/en/docs/inspector
< Debugger attached.
Warning: script 'file:///home/sergio/Dropbox/Documentos/Curso%202019-2020%20-%203o%20ULL/Programac
i%C3%B3n%20de%20Aplicaciones%20Interactivas/Presentaci%C3%B3n/JavaScriptDebugger/src/chrome_test/t
estfile.js' was not loaded yet.
1 breakpoints restored.
Break on start in testfile.js:52
 50 }
 51
>52 main();
 53
debug> c
break in testfile.js:42
 40   }
 41   do {
>42     result = String(n % base) + result;
 43     n /= base;
 44   } while (n > 0);
debug> 
```

4.3 Breakpoints

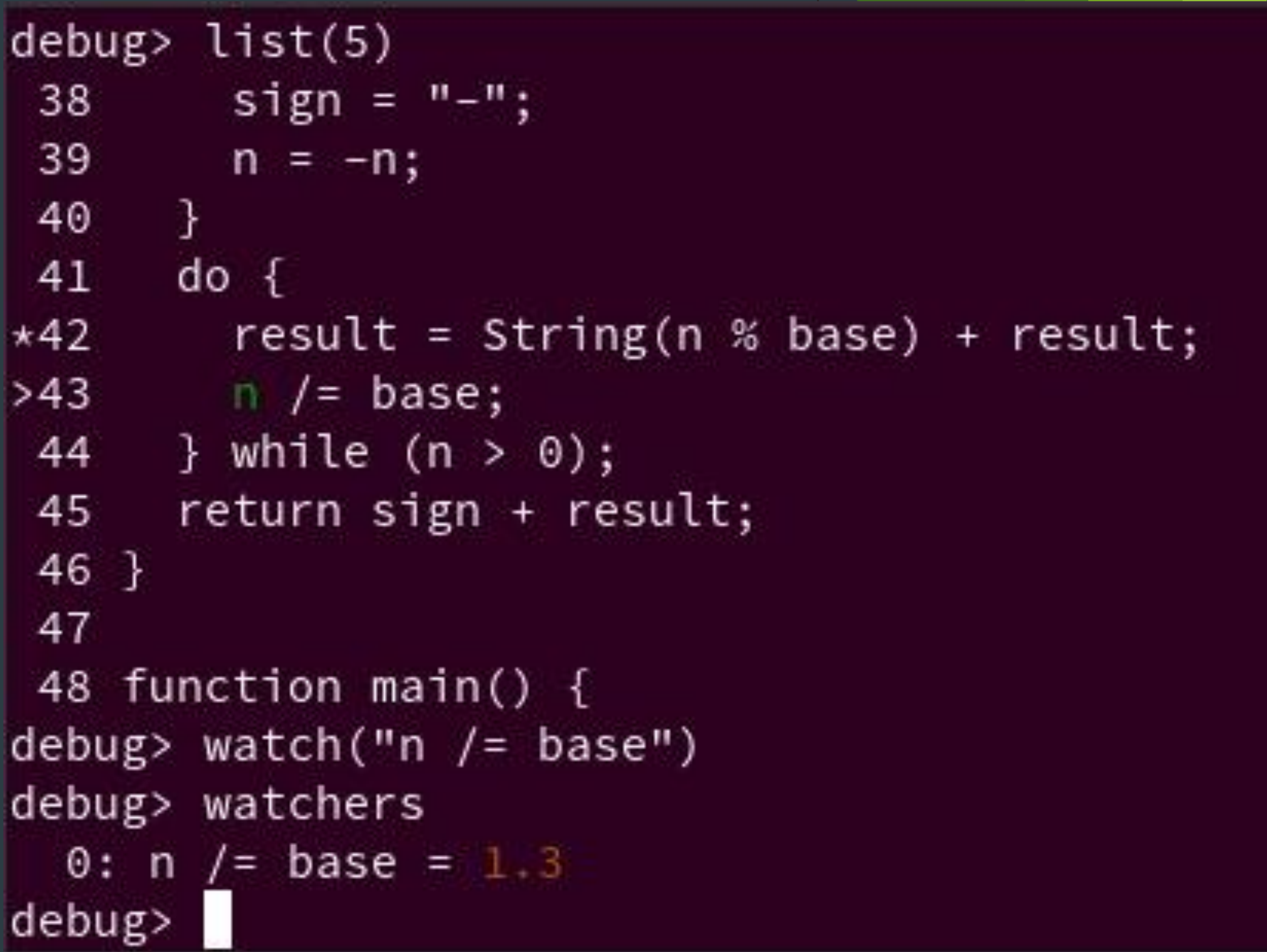
- setBreakpoint(), sb()
- setBreakpoint(line), sb(line)
- setBreakpoint('fn()'), sb(...)
- setBreakpoint('script.js', 1), sb(...)
- clearBreakpoint('script.js', 1), cb(...)



```
debug> list(10)
 42       result = String(n % base) + result;
 43       n /= base;
 44     } while (n > 0);
 45     return sign + result;
 46 }
 47
 48 function main() {
 49   console.log(numberToString(13, 10));
 50 }
 51
>52 main();
 53
debug> sb(42)
 37   if (n < 0) {
 38     sign = "-";
 39     n = -n;
 40   }
 41   do {
>42     result = String(n % base) + result;
 43     n /= base;
 44   } while (n > 0);
 45   return sign + result;
 46 }
 47
debug> 
```

4.4 Information

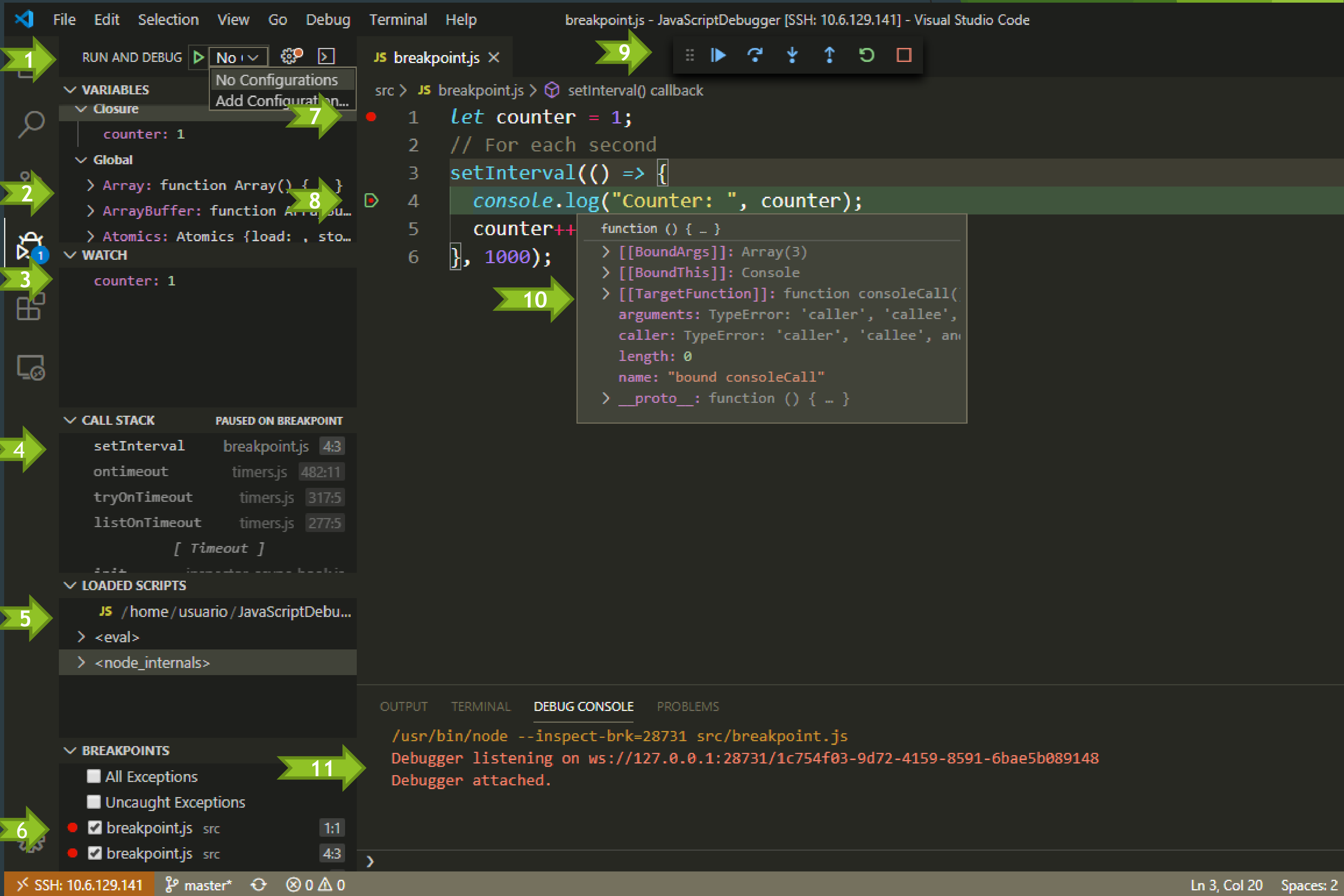
- backtrace, bt
- list(5)
- watch(expr)
- unwatch(expr)
- watchers
- repl
- exec expr



```
debug> list(5)
 38       sign = "-";
 39       n = -n;
 40     }
 41     do {
*42       result = String(n % base) + result;
>43       n /= base;
 44     } while (n > 0);
 45     return sign + result;
 46 }
 47
 48 function main() {
debug> watch("n /= base")
debug> watchers
  0: n /= base = 1.3
debug> 
```

5. Visual Studio Code

1. Debug selector
2. Navigator
3. Watch expresión
4. Stack traces
5. Debugging scripts
6. Breakpoints list
7. Breakpoint line
8. Program pointer
9. Debug Actions
10. Variable values
11. Debug console



```
counter: 1
> Array: function Array() { … }
> ArrayBuffer: function ArrayBu…
> Atomics: Atomics {load: , sto…
```

```
counter: 1
```

setInterval	breakpoint.js	4:3
ontimeout	timers.js	482:11
tryOnTimeout	timers.js	317:5
listOnTimeout	timers.js	277:5
[Timeout]		

JS /home/usuario/JavaScriptDebu…
> <eval>
> <node_internals>

● ☑	breakpoint.js	src	1:1
● ☑	breakpoint.js	src	4:3

src > JS breakpoint.js > setInterval() callback

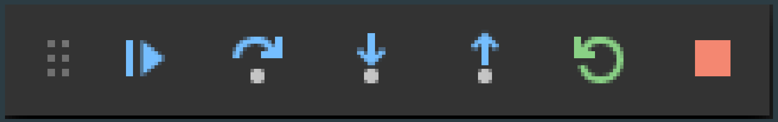
```javascript
let counter = 1;
// For each second
setInterval(() => {
  console.log("Counter: ", counter);
  counter++
}, 1000);
```

```
function () { … }
> [[BoundArgs]]: Array(3)
> [[BoundThis]]: Console
> [[TargetFunction]]: function consoleCall(
  arguments: TypeError: 'caller', 'callee',
  caller: TypeError: 'caller', 'callee', an
  length: 0
  name: "bound consoleCall"
> __proto__: function () { … }
```

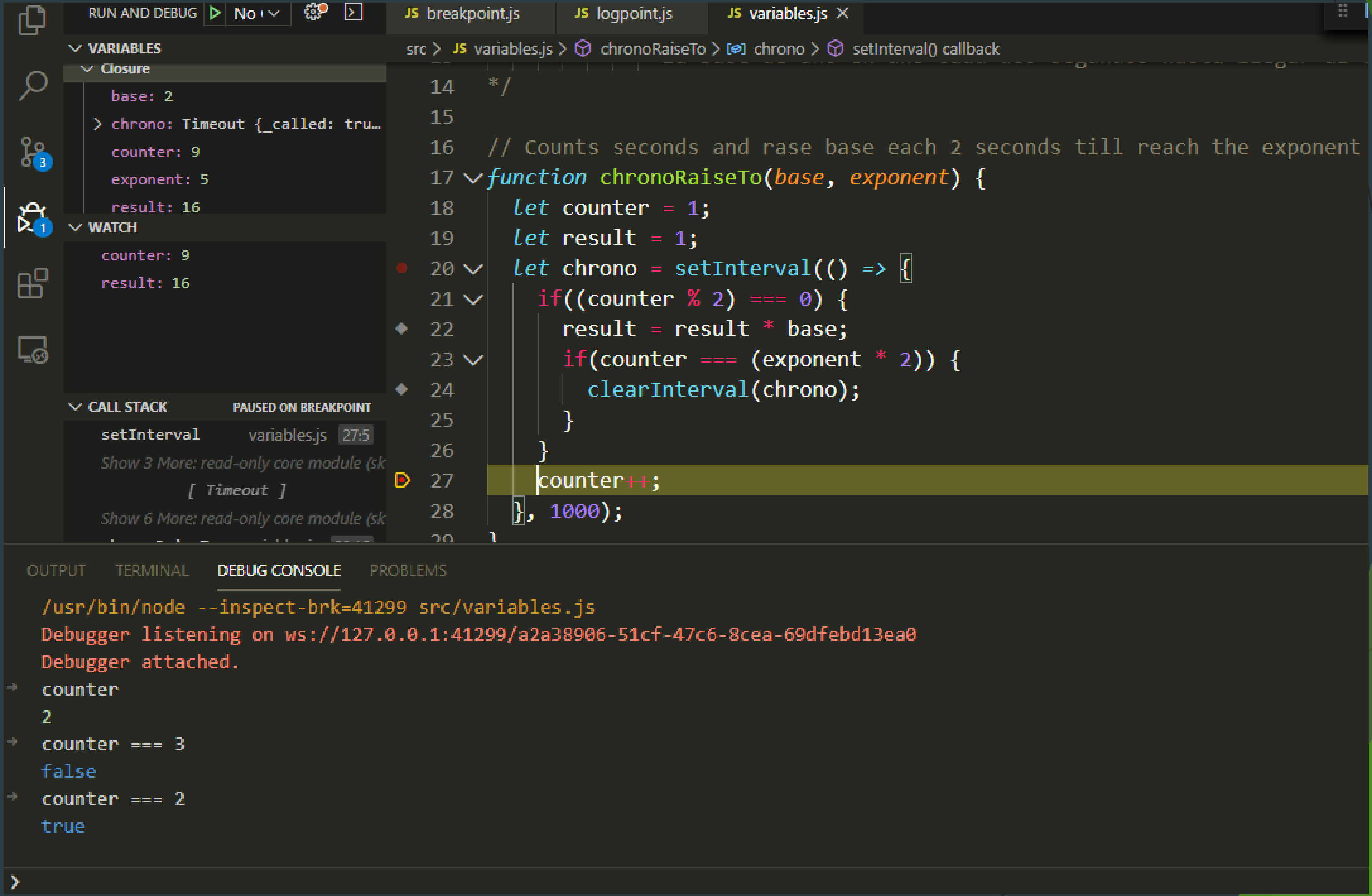
```
/usr/bin/node --inspect-brk=28731 src/breakpoint.js
Debugger listening on ws://127.0.0.1:28731/1c754f03-9d72-4159-8591-6bae5b089148
Debugger attached.
```

5.1 Keyboard shortcuts

Continue / Pause	F5
Step Over	F10
Step Into	F11
Step Out	Shift + F11
Restart	Ctrl + Shift + F5
Stop	Shift + F5
Add Breakpoint	F9



5.2 Variables



```
base: 2
> chrono: Timeout {_called: tru…
counter: 9
exponent: 5
result: 16
```

```
counter: 9
result: 16
```

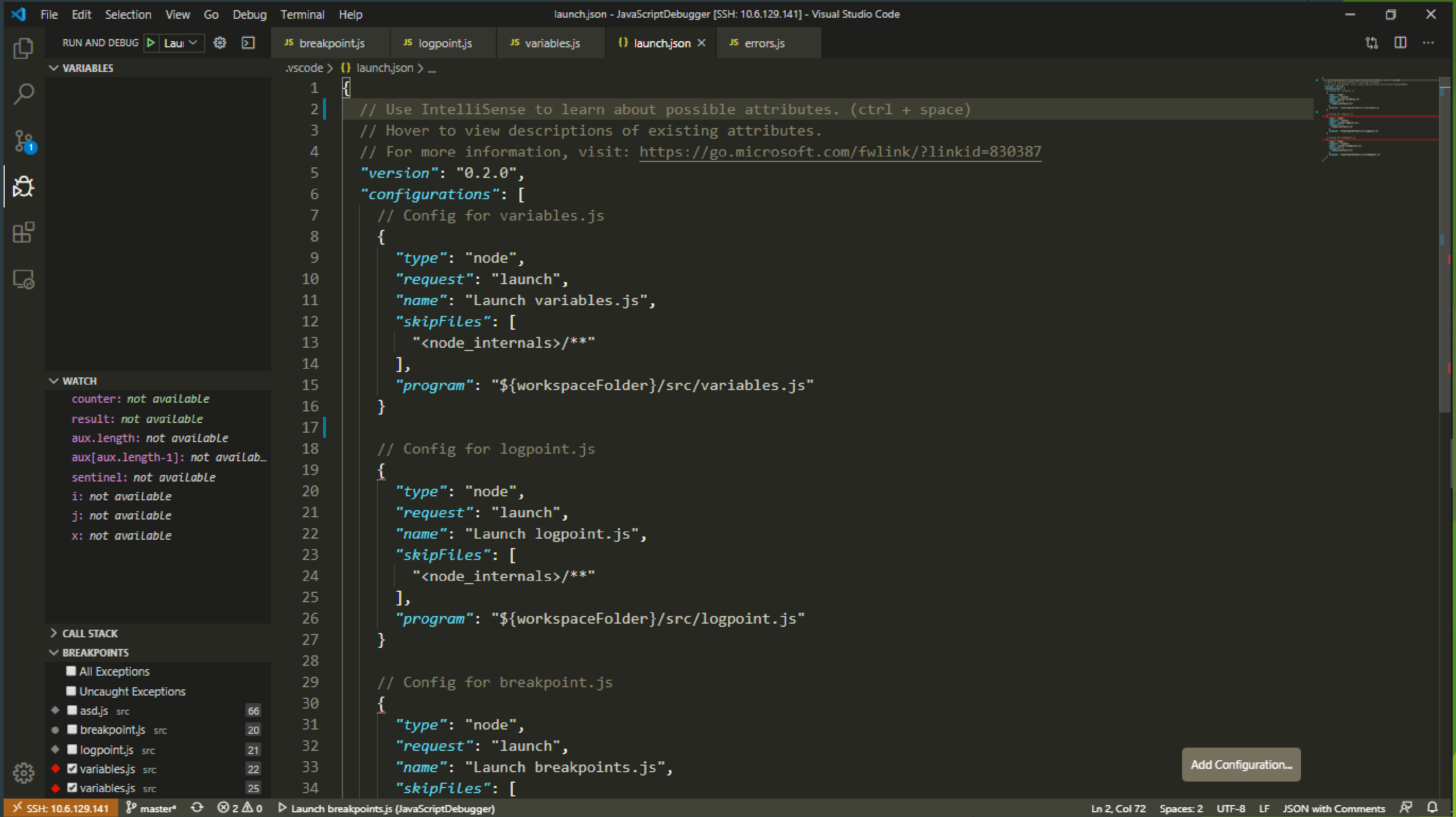
```
setInterval        variables.js 27:5
Show 3 More: read-only core module (sk
[ Timeout ]
Show 6 More: read-only core module (sk
```

```javascript
*/

// Counts seconds and rase base each 2 seconds till reach the exponent
function chronoRaiseTo(base, exponent) {
  let counter = 1;
  let result = 1;
  let chrono = setInterval(() => {
    if((counter % 2) === 0) {
      result = result * base;
      if(counter === (exponent * 2)) {
        clearInterval(chrono);
      }
    }
    counter++;
  }, 1000);
```

```
/usr/bin/node --inspect-brk=41299 src/variables.js
Debugger listening on ws://127.0.0.1:41299/a2a38906-51cf-47c6-8cea-69dfebd13ea0
Debugger attached.
counter
2
counter === 3
false
counter === 2
true
```

5.3 Launch.json


File Edit Selection View Go Debug Terminal Help
launch.json - JavaScriptDebugger [SSH: 10.6.129.141] - Visual Studio Code
RUN AND DEBUG
breakpoint.js
logpoint.js
variables.js
launch.json
errors.js
.vscode > launch.json > ...
VARIABLES
WATCH
CALL STACK
BREAKPOINTS
Add Configuration...
SSH: 10.6.129.141
master*
Launch breakpoints.js (JavaScriptDebugger)
Ln 2, Col 72 Spaces: 2 UTF-8 LF JSON with Comments

```
counter: not available
result: not available
aux.length: not available
aux[aux.length-1]: not availab…
sentinel: not available
i: not available
j: not available
x: not available
```

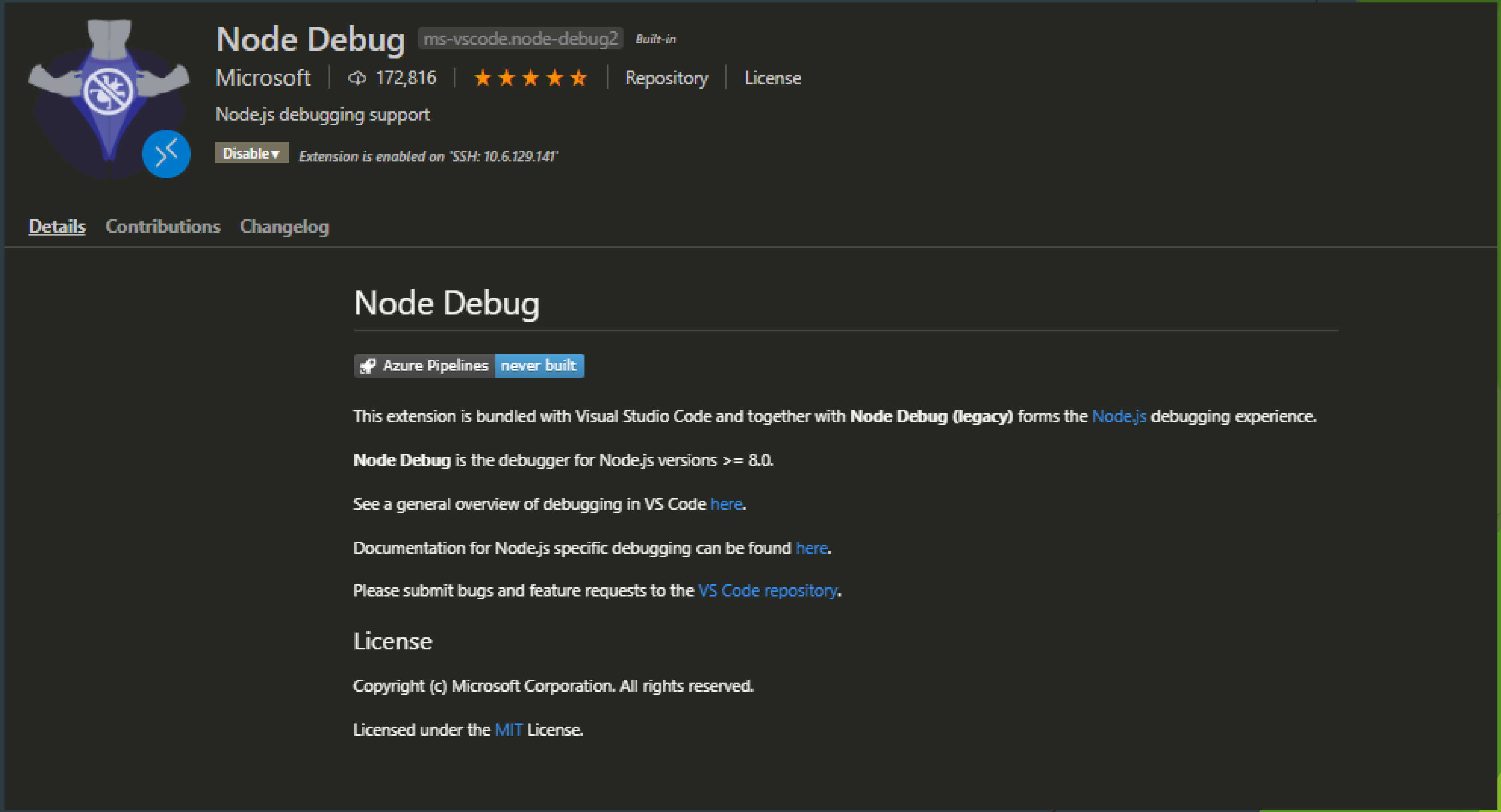
```
All Exceptions
Uncaught Exceptions
asd.js src 66
breakpoint.js src 20
logpoint.js src 21
variables.js src 22
variables.js src 25
```

```
{
  // Use IntelliSense to learn about possible attributes. (ctrl + space)
  // Hover to view descriptions of existing attributes.
  // For more information, visit: https://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?linkid=830387
  "version": "0.2.0",
  "configurations": [
    // Config for variables.js
    {
      "type": "node",
      "request": "launch",
      "name": "Launch variables.js",
      "skipFiles": [
        "<node_internals>/**"
      ],
      "program": "${workspaceFolder}/src/variables.js"
    }

    // Config for logpoint.js
    {
      "type": "node",
      "request": "launch",
      "name": "Launch logpoint.js",
      "skipFiles": [
        "<node_internals>/**"
      ],
      "program": "${workspaceFolder}/src/logpoint.js"
    }

    // Config for breakpoint.js
    {
      "type": "node",
      "request": "launch",
      "name": "Launch breakpoints.js",
      "skipFiles": [
```

5.4 Node Debug



Node Debug

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This extension is bundled with Visual Studio Code and together with **Node Debug (legacy)** forms the Node.js debugging experience.

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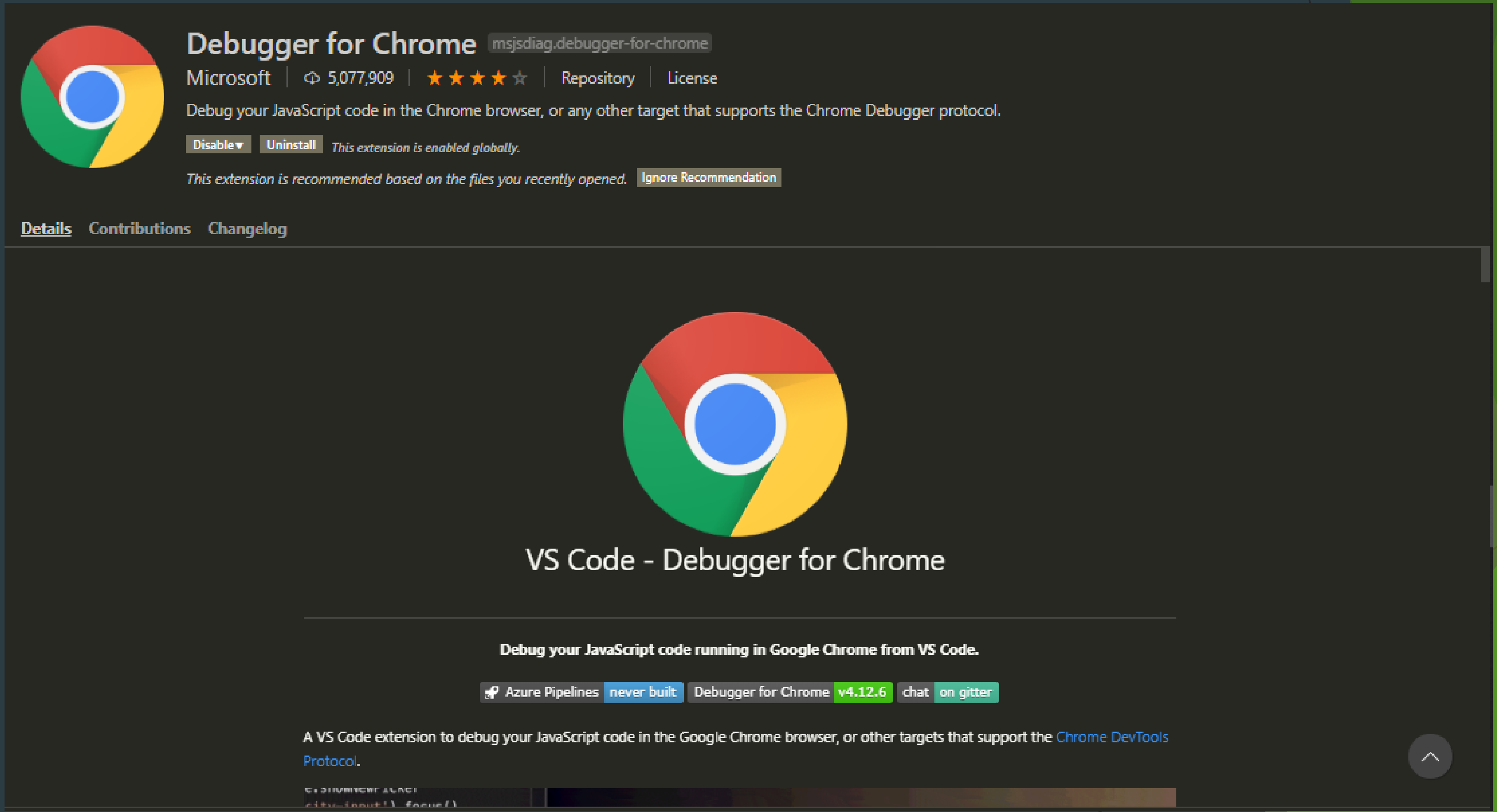
5.5 Debugger for Chrome



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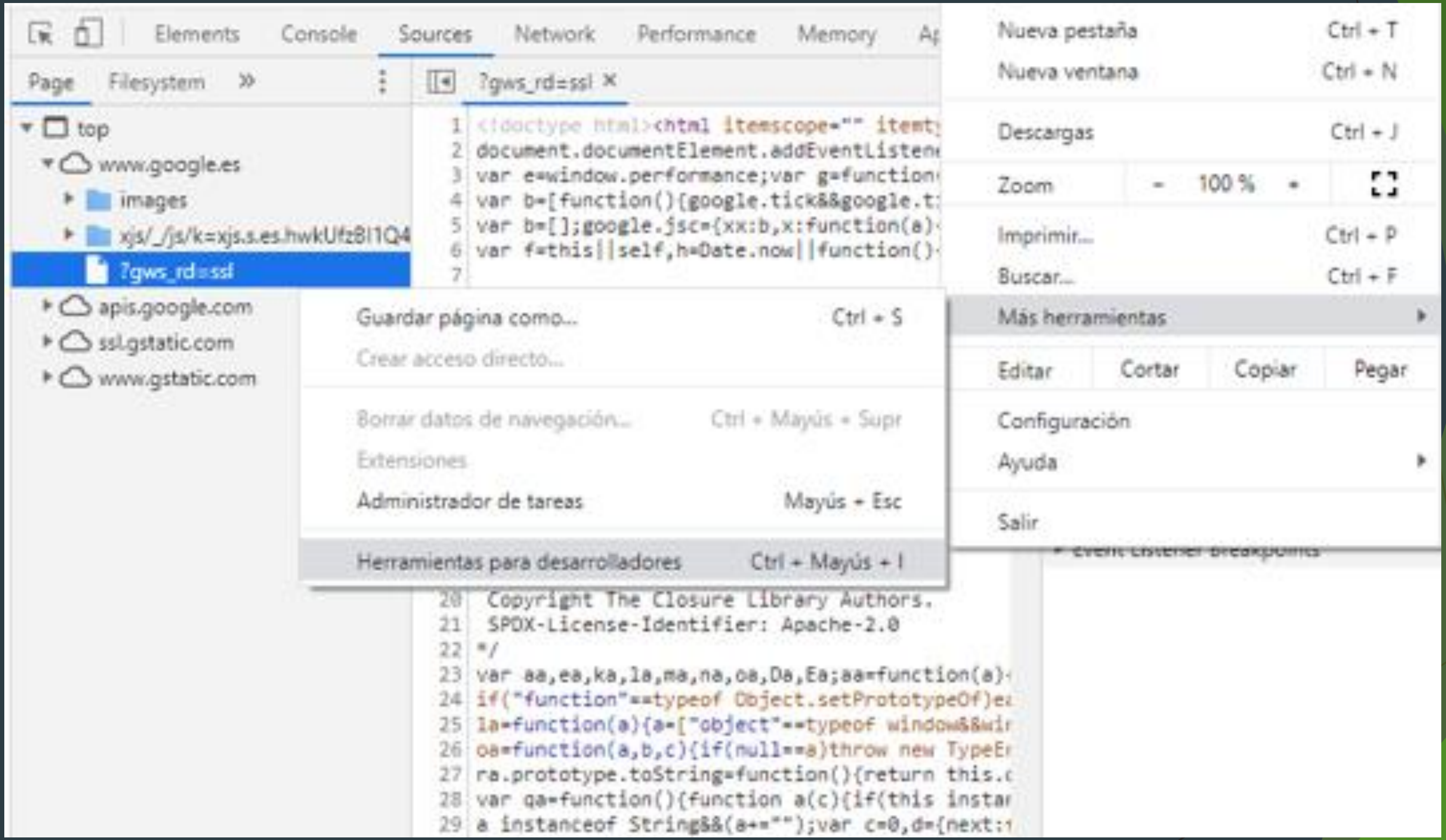
A VS Code extension to debug your JavaScript code in the Google Chrome browser, or other targets that support the Chrome DevTools Protocol.

6. Chrome and DevTools

- Chrome DevTools is a set of web developer tools built directly into the Google Chrome browser. DevTools can help you edit pages on-the-fly and diagnose problems quickly, which ultimately helps you build better websites, faster.

6.1 Chrome and Dev Tools



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document.documentElement.addEventListen
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var b=[function(){google.tick&&google.t
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var f=this||self,h=Date.now||function()

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*/
var aa,ea,ka,la,ma,na,oa,Da,Ea;aa=function(a)
if("function"==typeof Object.setPrototypeOf)e
la=function(a){a=["object"==typeof window&&wi
oa=function(a,b,c){if(null==a)throw new TypeE
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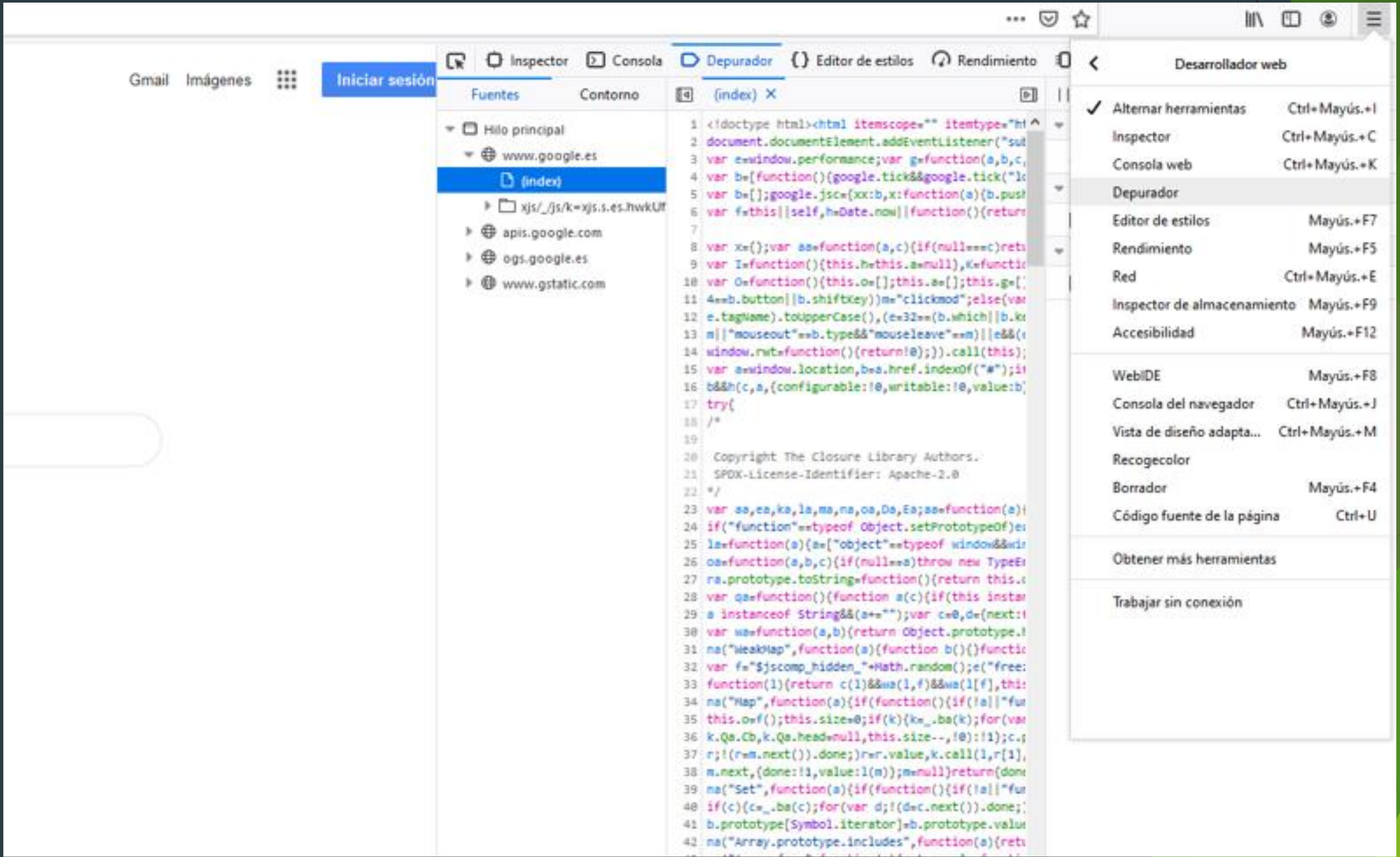

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var f=this||self,h=Date.now||function(){return

var X={};var aa=function(a,c){if(null===c)retu
var I=function(){this.h=this.a=null},K=functio
var O=function(){this.o=[];this.a=[];this.g=[
4==b.button||b.shiftKey))m="clickmod";else(var
e.tagName).toUpperCase(),(e=32==(b.which||b.ke
m||"mouseout"==b.type&&"mouseleave"==m)||e&&(
window.rwt=function(){return!0};}).call(this);
var a=window.location,b=a.href.indexOf("#");if
b&&h(c,a,{configurable:!0,writable:!0,value:b}
try{
/*

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*/
var aa,ea,ka,la,ma,na,oa,Da,Ea;aa=function(a){
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la=function(a){a=["object"==typeof window&&win
oa=function(a,b,c){if(null==a)throw new TypeEr
ra.prototype.toString=function(){return this.a
var qa=function(){function a(c){if(this instan
a instanceof String&&(a+="");var c=0,d={next:f
var wa=function(a,b){return Object.prototype.h
na("WeakMap",function(a){function b(){}functio
var f="$jscomp_hidden_"+Math.random();e("freez
function(l){return c(l)&&wa(l,f)&&wa(l[f],this
na("Map",function(a){if(function(){if(!a||"fun
this.o=f();this.size=0;if(k){k=_.ba(k);for(var
k.Qa.Cb,k.Qa.head=null,this.size--,!0):!1};c.p
r;!(r=m.next()).done;)r=r.value,k.call(l,r[1],
m.next,{done:!1,value:l(m)};m=null}return{done
na("Set",function(a){if(function(){if(!a||"fun
if(c){c=_.ba(c);for(var d;!(d=c.next()).done;)
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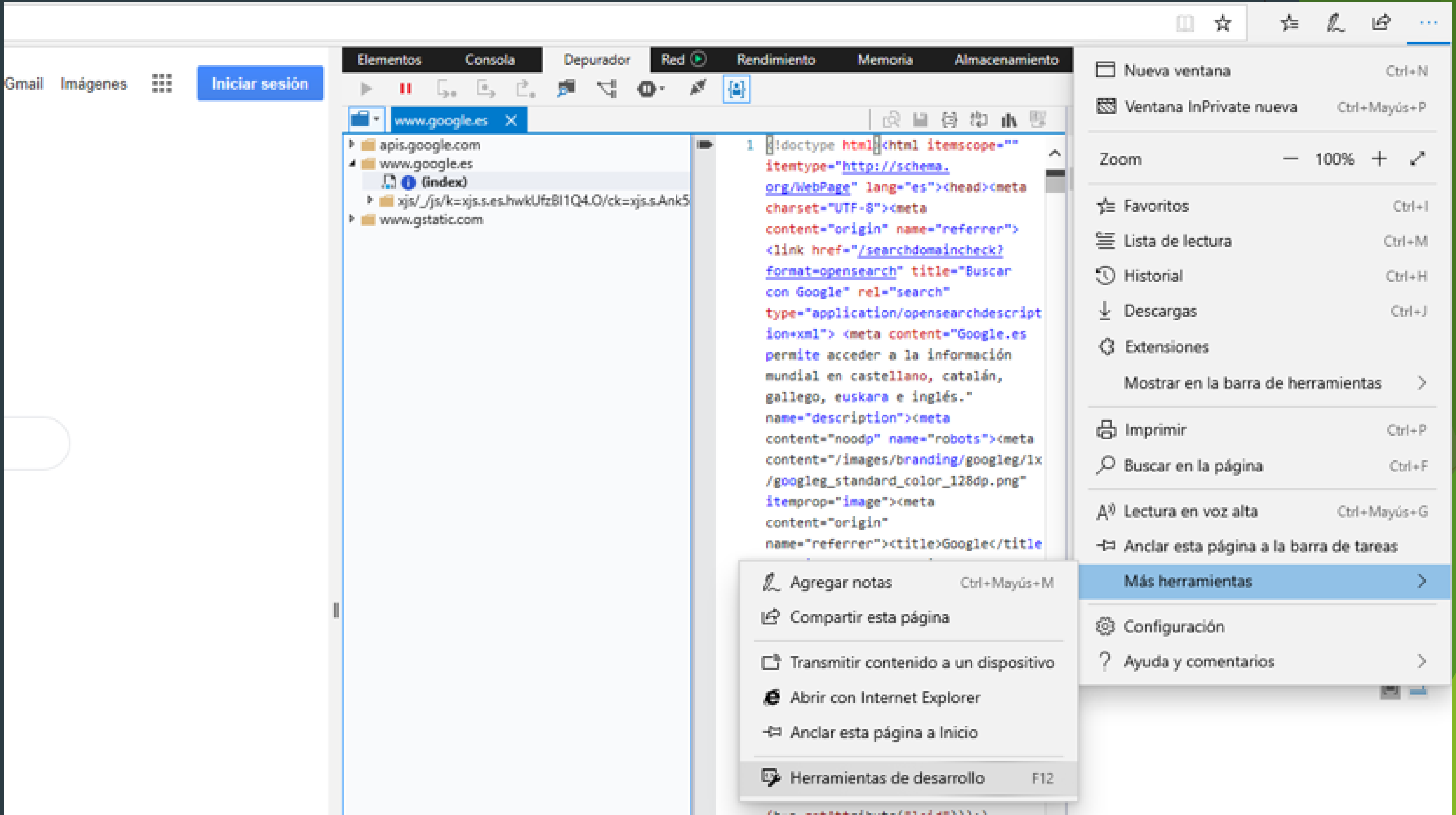
6.3 Microsoft Edge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Favoritos Ctrl+I
Lista de lectura Ctrl+M
Historial Ctrl+H
Descargas Ctrl+J
Extensiones
Mostrar en la barra de herramientas
Imprimir Ctrl+P
Buscar en la página Ctrl+F
Lectura en voz alta Ctrl+Mayús+G
Anclar esta página a la barra de tareas
Más herramientas
Configuración
Ayuda y comentarios
Agregar notas Ctrl+Mayús+M
Compartir esta página
Transmitir contenido a un dispositivo
Abrir con Internet Explorer
Anclar esta página a Inicio
Herramientas de desarrollo F12

```
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content="origin" name="referrer">
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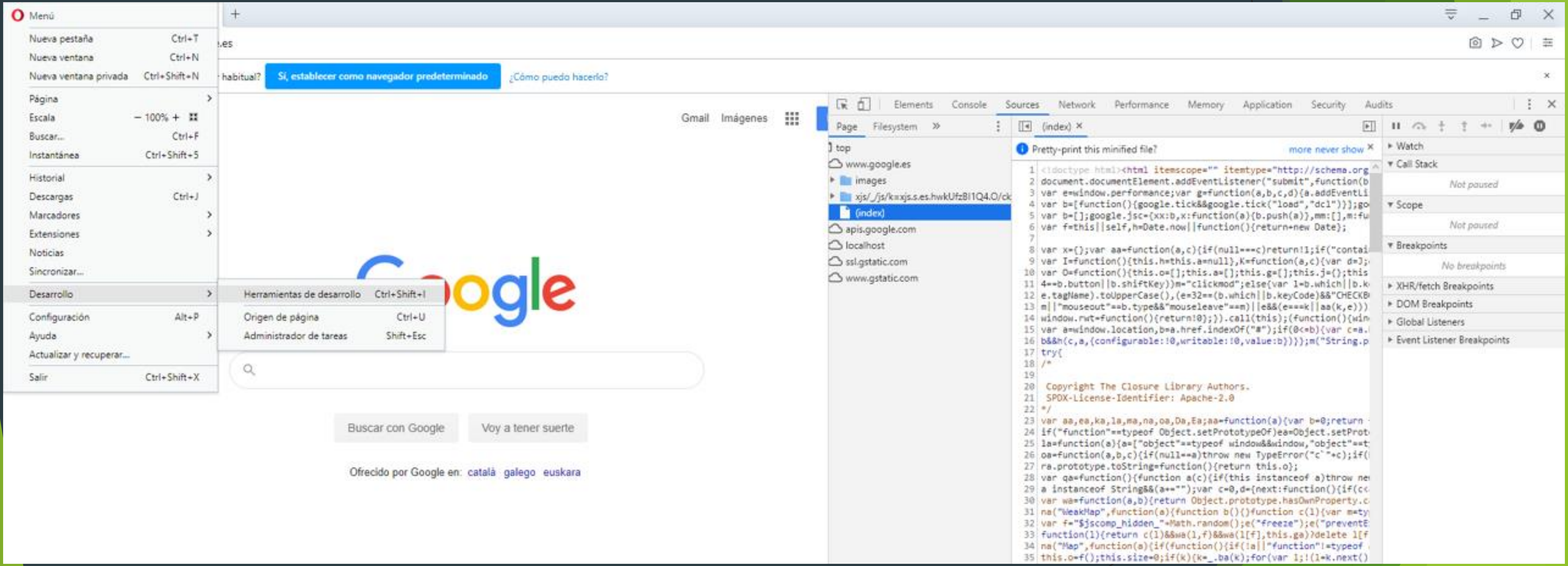
6.4 Opera



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var b=[function(){google.tick&&google.tick("load","dcl")}];go
var b=[];google.jsc={xx:b,x:function(a){b.push(a)},mm:[],m:fu
var f=this||self,h=Date.now||function(){return+new Date};

var x={};var aa=function(a,c){if(null===c)return!1;if("contai
var I=function(){this.h=this.a=null},K=function(a,c){var d=J;
var O=function(){this.o=[];this.a=[];this.g=[];this.j={};this
4==b.button||b.shiftKey))m="clickmod";else{var l=b.which||b.k
e.tagName).toUpperCase(),(e=32==(b.which||b.keyCode)&&"CHECKB
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var qa=function(){function a(c){if(this instanceof a)throw ne
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var f="$jscomp_hidden_"+Math.random();e("freeze");e("preventE
function(l){return c(l)&&wa(l,f)&&wa(l[f],this.ga)?delete l[f
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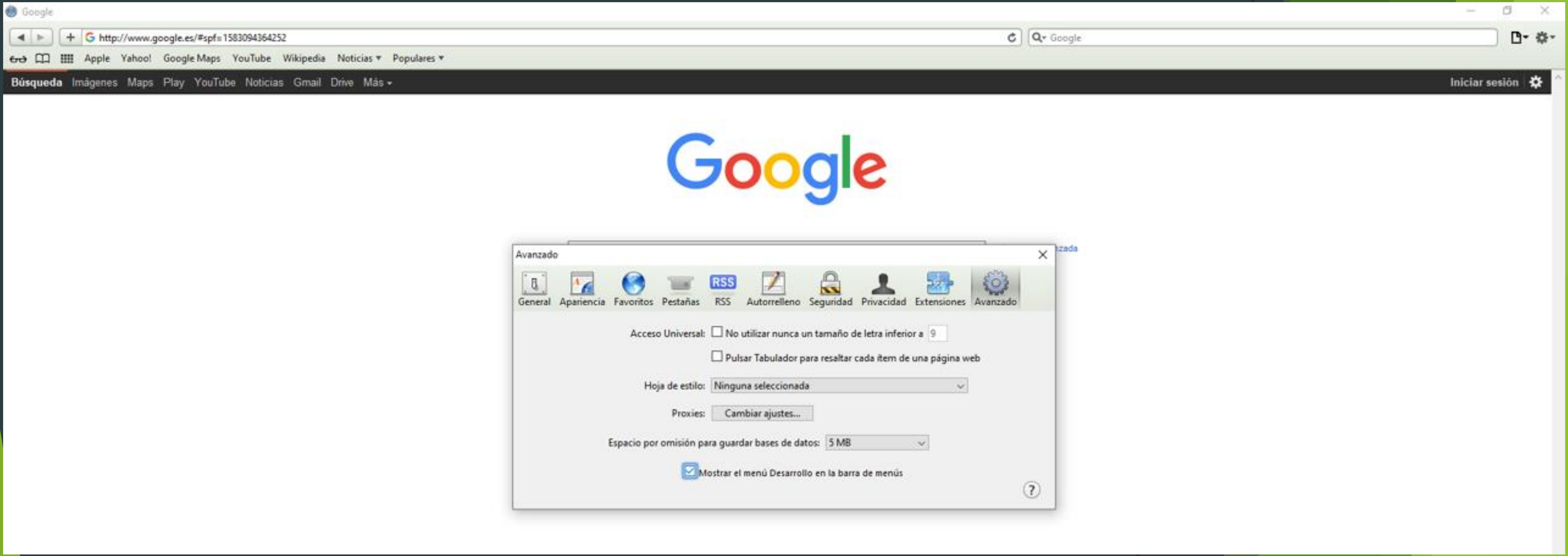
6.5 Safari



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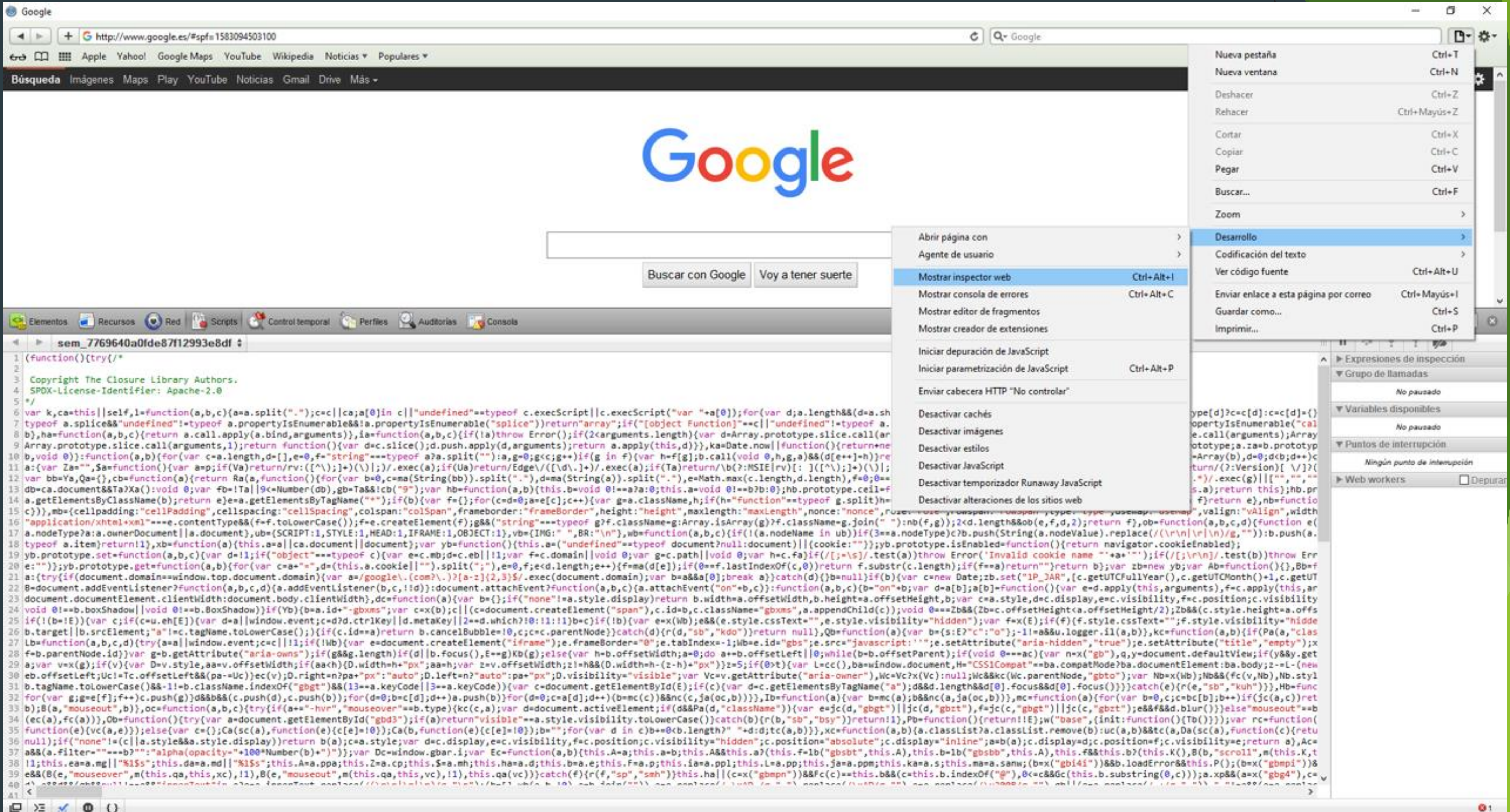
6.5.2 Safari



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(function(){try{/*

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*/
var k,ca=this||self,l=function(a,b,c){a=a.split(".");c=c||ca;a[0]in c||"undefined"==typeof c.execScript||c.execScript("var "+a[0]);for(var d;a.length&&(d=a.sh
```

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Github

- This presentation with all the examples used on it are available in our public repository at github:

https://github.com/ULL-ESIT-INF-PAI-2019-2020/2019-2020-pai-trabajo-debugging-adrian-rodriguez-sergio-tabares

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