



- Javascript engine blocked during synchronous requests
- SPA - Single Page Application -> dynamically rewrites webpage contents with new data based on user's request. Page does not reload or transfer control at any point

XHR - XMLHttpRequest

User request from UI -> XHR object -> HTTPS request to server -> Data sent back to XHR callback function -> Webpage updated

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html lang="en">
<head>
  <meta charset="UTF-8">
  <meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width, initial-scale=1.0">
  <title>Modify Page with responseText</title>
</head>
<body>

  <!-- A div to display the response -->
  <div id="response-container">Loading content...</div>

  <script>
    // Create a new XMLHttpRequest object
    let xmlhttp = new XMLHttpRequest();

    // Initialize the request (GET request, asynchronous)
    let filepath = 'example.txt'; // Replace with your actual file path or URL
    xmlhttp.open("GET", filepath, true);

    // Set the response type as text (default, but specified here for clarity)
    xmlhttp.responseType = "text";

    // Set up the event handler for when the request state changes
    xmlhttp.onreadystatechange = function handler() {
      // Check if the request is complete (readyState 4) and successful (status
200)
      if (this.readyState == 4 && this.status == 200) {
        // Use this.responseText to get the text content of the response
```

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    let responseText = this.responseText;

    // Update the content of a page element with the response
    document.getElementById("response-container").innerText =
responseText;
    }
};

// Send the request (null because GET requests don't send data)
xmlhttp.send(null);
</script>

</body>
</html>

```

readyState	Value	Description
0	UNSENT	The XMLHttpRequest object has been created, but the .open() method has not yet been called.
1	OPENED	The .open() method has been called, and the request has been initialized, but .send() has not yet been called.
2	HEADERS_RECEIVED	The send() method has been called, and the headers and status code of the response are available.
3	LOADING	The response is in progress, and some data has been received, but the request is not yet complete.
4	DONE	The request has been completed, and the full response is available.

AJAX jQuery Methods

\$.ajax()

- Regular asynchronous HTTPS request; used when other specific methods fail

Parameter	Type	Description	Default
url	string	The URL to send the request to.	Current page URL
type or method	string	The HTTP request method: "GET", "POST", "PUT", "DELETE", etc.	"GET"
data	object / string	Data to be sent to the server (for POST or GET requests).	null
dataType	string	The type of data expected from the server: "json", "xml", "html", "script", "text", "jsonp".	"text"
contentType	string	The content type of the request payload (e.g., "application/json").	"application/x-www-form-urlencoded; charset=UTF-8"

Parameter	Type	Description	Default
success	function	Callback function to be executed if the request is successful.	none
error	function	Callback function to be executed if the request fails.	none
beforeSend	function	Function to be executed before the request is sent (useful for modifying request headers or aborting the request).	none
complete	function	Callback function executed after the request completes (whether it succeeds or fails).	none
timeout	number	Time in milliseconds before the request times out.	0 (no timeout)
async	boolean	Whether the request is asynchronous or synchronous.	true

```
$.ajax({
  url: "https://api.example.com/data",
  method: "POST",
  data: { name: "John", age: 30 },
  dataType: "json",
  success: function(response) {
    console.log("Success:", response);
  },
  error: function(xhr, status, error) {
    console.log("Error:", error);
  },
  complete: function() {
    console.log("Request complete");
  }
});
```

\$.get(url [, data] [, success] [, dataType])

```
$.get('/jquery/getjsondata', // url
{name:'Steve'}, // request parameters
function (data, textStatus, jqXHR) { // success callback function
$('p').append(data.firstName);
},
"json");
```

\$.post(url [, data] [, success] [, dataType])

```
$.post("https://api.example.com/users", { id: 1 }, function(response) {
  console.log(response); // Handle the response here
});
```

```
}, "json");
```

\$.load()

- Makes a GET request and loads the content from the request directly into a HTML element

Syntax:

```
$(selector).load(url [, data ] [, callback ] [, dataType]);
```

```
// Load content from "about.html" into a <div> and run a callback on success
$("#content").load("about.html", { id: 1 }, function(response, status, xhr) {
    if (status == "success") {
        console.log("Content loaded successfully!");
    } else if (status == "error") {
        console.log("Error loading content: " + xhr.status + " " + xhr.statusText);
    }
});
```

Fetch

- Network requests
- Works by chaining promises

Syntax: fetch(url [, options])

- `method`: HTTP request method ("GET" , "POST" , etc.).
- `headers`: Additional headers like `Content-Type` .
- `body`: The request body for POST/PUT requests.

```
fetch('resp.html')
    .then(function(response) {
        if (!response.ok) {
            throw new Error('Network response was not ok');
        }
        return response.text();
    })
    .then(function(text) {
        mydiv.innerHTML = text;
    })
    .catch(function(error) {
        console.error('There was a problem with the fetch operation:', error);
    });
```

```
// Define the data to send in the POST request
const postData = {
    name: "John Doe",
    email: "john.doe@example.com",
    message: "Hello, this is a test message."
};
```

```
// Make the POST request using fetch
fetch("https://example.com/api/submit", {
  method: "POST", // HTTP method
  headers: {
    "Content-Type": "application/json", // Indicate the format of the payload
  },
  body: JSON.stringify(postData) // Convert the data object to a JSON string
})

.then(response => {
  // Check if the response is ok (status code 200-299)
  if (!response.ok) {
    throw new Error(`HTTP error! status: ${response.status}`);
  }
  return response.json(); // Parse the JSON response body
})

.then(data => {
  // Handle the response data
  console.log("Response received:", data);
  document.getElementById("response-container").innerText =
JSON.stringify(data, null, 2);
})

.catch(error => {
  // Handle any errors (e.g., network issues or server errors)
  console.error("Error occurred:", error.message);
  document.getElementById("response-container").innerText = `Error:
${error.message}`;
});
```