Introduction

Deno is a JavaScript/TypeScript runtime with secure defaults and a great developer experience.

It's built on V8, Rust, and Tokio.

Feature Highlights

- Secure by default. No file, network, or environment access (unless explicitly enabled).
- Supports TypeScript out of the box.
- Ships a single executable (deno).
- Has built-in utilities like a dependency inspector (deno info) and a code formatter (deno fmt).
- Has a set of reviewed (audited) standard modules that are guaranteed to work with Deno.
- Scripts can be bundled into a single JavaScript file.

Philosophy

Deno aims to be a productive and secure scripting environment for the modern programmer.

Deno will always be distributed as a single executable. Given a URL to a Deno program, it is runnable with nothing more than the ~ 15 megabyte zipped executable. Deno explicitly takes on the role of both runtime and package manager. It uses a standard browser-compatible protocol for loading modules: URLs.

Among other things, Deno is a great replacement for utility scripts that

may have been historically written with bash or python.

Goals

- Only ship a single executable (deno).
- Provide Secure Defaults.
 - Unless specifically allowed, scripts can't access files, the environment, or the network.
- Browser compatible: The subset of Deno programs which are written completely in JavaScript and do not use the global Deno namespace (or feature test for it), ought to also be able to be run in a modern web browser without change.
- Provide built-in tooling like unit testing, code formatting, and linting to improve developer experience.
- Does not leak V8 concepts into user land.
- Be able to serve HTTP efficiently.

Comparison to Node.js

- Deno does not use npm.
 - It uses modules referenced as URLs or file paths.
- Deno does not use package.json in its module resolution algorithm.
- All async actions in Deno return a promise. Thus Deno provides different APIs than Node.
- Deno requires explicit permissions for file, network, and environment access.

- Deno always dies on uncaught errors.
- Uses "ES Modules" and does not support require(). Third party modules are imported via URLs:

Other key behaviors

- Remote code is fetched and cached on first execution, and never updated until the code is run with the --reload flag. (So, this will still work on an airplane.)
- Modules/files loaded from remote URLs are intended to be immutable and cacheable.

Getting Started

In this chapter we'll discuss:

- Installing Deno
- Setting up your environment
- Running a Hello World script
- Writing our own script
- Command line interface
- Understanding permissions
- Using Deno with TypeScript
- Using WebAssembly
- Debugging your code

Installation

Deno works on macOS, Linux, and Windows. Deno is a single binary executable. It has no external dependencies.

Download and install

cargo install deno

deno_install provides convenience scripts to download and install the binary.

```
Using Shell (macOS and Linux):

||curl -fsSL https://deno.land/x/install/install.sh | sh

Using PowerShell (Windows):

||iwr https://deno.land/x/install/install.ps1 -useb | iex

Using Scoop (Windows):

||scoop install deno

Using Chocolatey (Windows):

||choco install deno

Using Homebrew (macOS):

||brew install deno

Using Cargo (Windows, macOS, Linux):
```

Deno binaries can also be installed manually, by downloading a zip file at github.com/denoland/deno/releases. These packages contain just a single executable file. You will have to set the executable bit on macOS and Linux.

Testing your installation

To test your installation, run deno --version. If this prints the Deno version to the console the installation was successful.

Use deno help to see help text documenting Deno's flags and usage. Get a detailed guide on the CLI here.

Updating

To update a previously installed version of Deno, you can run:

deno upgrade

This will fetch the latest release from github.com/denoland/deno/releases unzip it, and replace your current executable with it.

You can also use this utility to install a specific version of Deno:

deno upgrade --version 1.0.1

Building from source

Information about how to build from source can be found in the Contributing chapter.

Set up your environment

To productively get going with Deno you should set up your environment. This means setting up shell autocomplete, environmental variables and your editor or IDE of choice.

Environmental variables

There are several env vars that control how Deno behaves:

DENO_DIR defaults to \$HOME/.cache/deno but can be set to any path to control where generated and cached source code is written and read to.

NO_COLOR will turn off color output if set. See https://no-color.org/. User code can test if NO_COLOR was set without having --allow-env by using the boolean constant Deno.noColor.

Shell autocomplete

You can generate completion script for your shell using the deno \hookrightarrow completions <shell> command. The command outputs to stdout so you should redirect it to an appropriate file.

The supported shells are:

- zsh
- bash
- fish
- powershell
- elvish

Example (bash):

Example (zsh without framework):

mkdir ~/.zsh # create a folder to save your completions. \hookrightarrow it can be anywhere

```
deno completions zsh > ~/.zsh/_deno
then add this to your .zshrc

fpath=(~/.zsh $fpath)
autoload -Uz compinit
compinit -u
```

and restart your terminal. note that if completions are still not loading, you may need to run rm ~/.zcompdump/ to remove previously generated completions and then compinit to generate them again.

Example (zsh + oh-my-zsh) [recommended for zsh users] :

After this add deno plugin under plugins tag in ~/.zshrc file. for tools like antigen path will be ~/.antigen/bundles/robbyrussell/oh-my-zsh/ \hookrightarrow plugins and command will be antigen bundle deno and so on.

Example (Powershell):

```
deno completions powershell > $profile . $profile
```

This will be create a Powershell profile at \$HOME\Documents\

ShowsPowerShell\Microsoft.PowerShell_profile.ps1 by default, and it will be run whenever you launch the PowerShell.

Editors and IDEs

Because Deno requires the use of file extensions for module imports and allows http imports, and most editors and language servers do not na-

tively support this at the moment, many editors will throw errors about being unable to find files or imports having unnecessary file extensions.

The community has developed extensions for some editors to solve these issues:

VS Code The beta version of vscode_deno is published on the Visual Studio Marketplace. Please report any issues.

JetBrains IDEs Support for JetBrains IDEs is available through the Deno plugin.

For more information on how to set-up your JetBrains IDE for Deno, read this comment on YouTrack.

Vim and NeoVim Vim works fairly well for Deno/TypeScript if you install CoC (intellisense engine and language server protocol).

After CoC is installed, from inside Vim, run:CocInstall coc-tsserver and :CocInstall coc-deno. To get autocompletion working for Deno type definitions run :CocCommand deno.types. Optionally restart the CoC server :CocRestart. From now on, things like gd (go to definition) and gr (goto/find references) should work.

Emacs Emacs works pretty well for a TypeScript project targeted to Deno by using a combination of tide which is the canonical way of using TypeScript within Emacs and typescript-deno-plugin which is what is used by the official VSCode extension for Deno.

To use it, first make sure that tide is setup for your instance of Emacs. Next, as instructed on the typescript-deno-plugin page, first

npm install --save-dev typescript-deno-plugin typescript in your project (npm init -y as necessary), then add the following block to your tsconfig.json and you are off to the races!

If you don't see your favorite IDE on this list, maybe you can develop an extension. Our community Discord group can give you some pointers on where to get started.

First steps

This page contains some examples to teach you about the fundamentals of Deno.

This document assumes that you have some prior knowledge of JavaScript, especially about async/await. If you have no prior knowledge of JavaScript, you might want to follow a guide on the basics of JavaScript before attempting to start with Deno.

Hello World

Deno is a runtime for JavaScript/TypeScript which tries to be web compatible and use modern features wherever possible.

Browser compatibility means a Hello World program in Deno is the same as the one you can run in the browser:

Making an HTTP request

Many programs use HTTP requests to fetch data from a webserver. Let's write a small program that fetches a file and prints its contents out to the terminal.

Just like in the browser you can use the web standard fetch API to make HTTP calls:

```
const url = Deno.args[0];
const res = await fetch(url);

const body = new Uint8Array(await res.arrayBuffer());
await Deno.stdout.write(body);
```

Let's walk through what this application does:

- 1. We get the first argument passed to the application, and store it in the url constant.
- 2. We make a request to the url specified, await the response, and store it in the res constant.

- 3. We parse the response body as an ArrayBuffer, await the response, and convert it into a Uint8Array to store in the body constant.
- 4. We write the contents of the body constant to stdout.

Try it out:

```
deno run https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION/examples/ \hookrightarrow curl.ts https://example.com
```

You will see this program returns an error regarding network access, so what did we do wrong? You might remember from the introduction that Deno is a runtime which is secure by default. This means you need to explicitly give programs the permission to do certain 'privileged' actions, such as access the network.

Try it out again with the correct permission flag:

```
deno run --allow-net=example.com https://deno.land/ \hookrightarrow std@$STD_VERSION/examples/curl.ts https://example. \hookrightarrow com
```

Reading a file

Deno also provides APIs which do not come from the web. These are all contained in the **Deno** global. You can find documentation for these APIs on doc.deno.land.

Filesystem APIs for example do not have a web standard form, so Deno provides its own API.

In this program each command-line argument is assumed to be a filename, the file is opened, and printed to stdout.

```
const filenames = Deno.args;
```

```
for (const filename of filenames) {
  const file = await Deno.open(filename);
  await Deno.copy(file, Deno.stdout);
  file.close();
}
```

The copy() function here actually makes no more than the necessary kernel opies. That is, the same memory from which data is read from the file, is written to stdout. This illustrates a general design goal for I/O streams in Deno.

Try the program:

```
deno run --allow-read https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION \hookrightarrow /examples/cat.ts /etc/passwd
```

TCP server

This is an example of a server which accepts connections on port 8080, and returns to the client anything it sends.

```
const hostname = "0.0.0.0";
const port = 8080;
const listener = Deno.listen({ hostname, port });
console.log(`Listening on ${hostname}:${port}`);
for await (const conn of listener) {
   Deno.copy(conn, conn);
}
```

For security reasons, Deno does not allow programs to access the network without explicit permission. To allow accessing the network, use a command-line flag:

```
deno run --allow-net https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION/ \hookrightarrow examples/echo_server.ts
```

To test it, try sending data to it with netcat:

```
$ nc localhost 8080
hello world
hello world
```

Like the cat.ts example, the copy() function here also does not make unnecessary memory copies. It receives a packet from the kernel and sends it back, without further complexity.

More examples

You can find more examples, like an HTTP file server, in the Examples chapter.

Command line interface

Deno is a command line program. You should be familiar with some simple commands having followed the examples thus far and already understand the basics of shell usage.

There are multiple ways of viewing the main help text:

Deno's CLI is subcommand-based. The above commands should show you a list of those supported, such as **deno bundle**. To see subcommand-specific help for **bundle**, you can similarly run one of:

```
deno help bundle
deno bundle -h
deno bundle --help
```

Detailed guides to each subcommand can be found here.

Script source

Deno can grab the scripts from multiple sources, a filename, a url, and '-' to read the file from stdin. The last is useful for integration with other applications.

```
deno run main.ts
deno run https://mydomain.com/main.ts
cat main.ts | deno run -
```

Script arguments

Separately from the Deno runtime flags, you can pass user-space arguments to the script you are running by specifying them after the script name:

```
deno run main.ts a b -c --quiet

// main.ts
console.log(Deno.args); // [ "a", "b", "-c", "--quiet" ]
```

Note that anything passed after the script name will be passed as a script argument and not consumed as a Deno runtime flag. This leads to the following pitfall:

Some see it as unconventional that:

a non-positional flag is parsed differently depending on its position.

However:

- 1. This is the most logical way of distinguishing between runtime flags and script arguments.
- 2. This is the most ergonomic way of distinguishing between runtime flags and script arguments.
- 3. This is, in fact, the same behaviour as that of any other popular runtime.
 - Try node -c index.js and node index.js -c. The first will only do a syntax check on index.js as per Node's -c flag. The second will *execute* index.js with -c passed to require

 → ("process").argv.

There exist logical groups of flags that are shared between related subcommands. We discuss these below.

Watch mode

You can supply the --watch flag to deno run to enable the built in file watcher. When Deno starts up with this flag it watches the entry-point, and all local files the entrypoint statically imports. Whenever one of these files is changed on disk, the program will automatically be restarted.

Integrity flags

Affect commands which can download resources to the cache: deno \hookrightarrow cache, deno run and deno test.

```
--lock <FILE> Check the specified lock file --lock-write Write lock file. Use with --lock.
```

Find out more about these here.

Cache and compilation flags

Affect commands which can populate the cache: deno cache, deno run and deno test. As well as the flags above this includes those which affect module resolution, compilation configuration etc.

```
--config <FILE> Load tsconfig.json

→ configuration file

--importmap <FILE> UNSTABLE: Load import map

→ file

--no-remote Do not resolve remote

→ modules

--reload=<CACHE_BLOCKLIST> Reload source code cache (

→ recompile TypeScript)

--unstable Enable unstable APIs
```

Runtime flags

Affect commands which execute user code: deno run and deno test. These include all of the above as well as the following.

Permission flags These are listed here.

Other runtime flags More flags which affect the execution environment.

Permissions

Deno is secure by default. Therefore, unless you specifically enable it, a deno module has no file, network, or environment access for example. Access to security-sensitive areas or functions requires the use of permissions to be granted to a deno process on the command line.

For the following example, mod.ts has been granted read-only access to the file system. It cannot write to it, or perform any other security-sensitive functions.

```
deno run --allow-read mod.ts
```

Permissions list

The following permissions are available:

- -A, -allow-all Allow all permissions. This disables all security.
- —allow-env Allow environment access for things like getting and setting of environment variables.
- —allow-hrtime Allow high-resolution time measurement. High-resolution time can be used in timing attacks and fingerprinting.
- —allow-net=<allow-net> Allow network access. You can specify an optional, comma-separated list of domains to provide an allow-list of allowed domains.
- —allow-plugin Allow loading plugins. Please note that —allow-plugin is an unstable feature.
- —allow-read = <allow-read > Allow file system read access. You can specify an optional, comma-separated list of directories or files to provide a allow-list of allowed file system access.
- —allow-run Allow running subprocesses. Be aware that subprocesses are not run in a sandbox and therefore do not have the same security restrictions as the deno process. Therefore, use with caution.
- —allow-write=<allow-write> Allow file system write access. You can specify an optional, comma-separated list of directories or files to provide a allow-list of allowed file system access.

Permissions allow-list

Deno also allows you to control the granularity of some permissions with allow-lists.

This example restricts file system access by allow-listing only the /usr

directory, however the execution fails as the process was attempting to access a file in the /etc directory:

Try it out again with the correct permissions by allow-listing /etc in-stead:

```
deno run --allow-read=/etc https://deno.land/ \hookrightarrow std@$STD_VERSION/examples/cat.ts /etc/passwd
```

--allow-write works the same as --allow-read.

Network access:

```
fetch.ts:
```

```
const result = await fetch("https://deno.land/");
```

This is an example of how to allow-list hosts/urls:

```
deno run --allow-net=github.com, deno.land fetch.ts
```

If fetch.ts tries to establish network connections to any other domain, the process will fail.

Allow net calls to any host/url:

```
deno run --allow-net fetch.ts
```

Using TypeScript

Deno supports both JavaScript and TypeScript as first class languages at runtime. This means it requires fully qualified module names, including the extension (or a server providing the correct media type). In addition, Deno has no "magical" module resolution. Instead, imported modules are specified as files (including extensions) or fully qualified URL imports. Typescript modules can be directly imported. E.g.

--no-check option

When using deno run, deno test, deno cache, or deno bundle you can specify the --no-check flag to disable TypeScript type checking. This can significantly reduce the time that program startup takes. This can be very useful when type checking is provided by your editor and you want startup time to be as fast as possible (for example when restarting the program automatically with a file watcher).

Because --no-check does not do TypeScript type checking we can not automatically remove type only imports and exports as this would require type information. For this purpose TypeScript provides the import type and export type syntax. To export a type in a different file use export type { AnInterface } from "./mod.ts";. To import a type use import type { AnInterface } from "./mod.ts";. You can check that you are using import type and export type where necessary by setting the isolatedModules TypeScript compiler option to true, and the importsNotUsedAsValues to error. You can see an example tsconfig \hookrightarrow .json with this option in the standard library. These settings will be

enabled by default in the future. They are already the default in Deno 1.4 or above when using --unstable.

Because there is no type information when using --no-check, const enum is not supported because it is type-directed. --no-check also does not support the legacy import = and export = syntax.

Using external type definitions

The out of the box TypeScript compiler though relies on both extension-less modules and the Node.js module resolution logic to apply types to JavaScript modules.

In order to bridge this gap, Deno supports three ways of referencing type definition files without having to resort to "magic" resolution.

Compiler hint If you are importing a JavaScript module, and you know where the type definition for that module is located, you can specify the type definition at import. This takes the form of a compiler hint. Compiler hints inform Deno the location of .d.ts files and the JavaScript code that is imported that they relate to. The hint is @deno \(\to -types \) and when specified the value will be used in the compiler instead of the JavaScript module. For example, if you had foo.js, but you know that alongside of it was foo.d.ts which was the types for the file, the code would look like this:

```
// @deno-types="./foo.d.ts"
import * as foo from "./foo.js";
```

The value follows the same resolution logic as importing a module, meaning the file needs to have an extension and is relative to the current module. Remote specifiers are also allowed.

The hint affects the next import statement (or export ... from statement) where the value of the @deno-types will be substituted at compile time instead of the specified module. Like in the above example, the Deno compiler will load ./foo.d.ts instead of ./foo.js. Deno will still load ./foo.js when it runs the program.

Triple-slash reference directive in JavaScript files If you are hosting modules which you want to be consumed by Deno, and you want to inform Deno about the location of the type definitions, you can utilize a triple-slash directive in the actual code. For example, if you have a JavaScript module and you would like to provide Deno with the location of the type definition which happens to be alongside that file, your JavaScript module named foo.js might look like this:

```
/// <reference types="./foo.d.ts" />
export const foo = "foo";
```

Deno will see this, and the compiler will use foo.d.ts when type checking the file, though foo.js will be loaded at runtime. The resolution of the value of the directive follows the same resolution logic as importing a module, meaning the file needs to have an extension and is relative to the current file. Remote specifiers are also allowed.

X-TypeScript-Types custom header If you are hosting modules which you want to be consumed by Deno, and you want to inform Deno the location of the type definitions, you can use a custom HTTP header of X-TypeScript-Types to inform Deno of the location of that file.

The header works in the same way as the triple-slash reference mentioned above, it just means that the content of the JavaScript file itself

does not need to be modified, and the location of the type definitions can be determined by the server itself.

Not all type definitions are supported.

Deno will use the compiler hint to load the indicated .d.ts files, but some .d.ts files contain unsupported features. Specifically, some .d.ts files expect to be able to load or reference type definitions from other packages using the module resolution logic. For example a type reference directive to include node, expecting to resolve to some path like ./ \hookrightarrow node_modules/@types/node/index.d.ts. Since this depends on non-relative "magical" resolution, Deno cannot resolve this.

Why not use the triple-slash type reference in TypeScript files?

The TypeScript compiler supports triple-slash directives, including a type reference directive. If Deno used this, it would interfere with the behavior of the TypeScript compiler. Deno only looks for the directive in JavaScript (and JSX) files.

Custom TypeScript Compiler Options

In the Deno ecosystem, all strict flags are enabled in order to comply with TypeScript's ideal of being strict by default. However, in order to provide a way to support customization a configuration file such as tsconfig.json might be provided to Deno on program execution.

You need to explicitly tell Deno where to look for this configuration by setting the -c (or --config) argument when executing your application.

deno run -c tsconfig.json mod.ts

Following are the currently allowed settings and their default values in Deno:

```
{
  "compilerOptions": {
    "allowJs": false,
    "allowUmdGlobalAccess": false,
    "allowUnreachableCode": false,
    "allowUnusedLabels": false,
    "alwaysStrict": true,
    "assumeChangesOnlyAffectDirectDependencies": false,
    "checkJs": false,
    "disableSizeLimit": false,
    "generateCpuProfile": "profile.cpuprofile",
    "jsx": "react",
    "jsxFactory": "React.createElement",
    "jsxFragmentFactory": "React.Fragment",
    "lib": [],
    "noFallthroughCasesInSwitch": false,
    "noImplicitAny": true,
    "noImplicitReturns": true,
    "noImplicitThis": true,
    "noImplicitUseStrict": false,
    "noStrictGenericChecks": false,
    "noUnusedLocals": false,
    "noUnusedParameters": false,
    "preserveConstEnums": false,
    "removeComments": false,
    "resolveJsonModule": true,
    "strict": true,
    "strictBindCallApply": true,
    "strictFunctionTypes": true,
    "strictNullChecks": true,
    "strictPropertyInitialization": true,
```

```
"suppressExcessPropertyErrors": false,
    "suppressImplicitAnyIndexErrors": false,
    "useDefineForClassFields": false
}
```

For documentation on allowed values and use cases please visit the typescript docs.

Note: Any options not listed above are either not supported by Deno or are listed as deprecated/experimental in the TypeScript documentation.

WebAssembly support

Deno can execute WebAssembly binaries.

```
const wasmCode = new Uint8Array([
  0, 97, 115, 109, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 133, 128, 128, 128, 0,
   \hookrightarrow 1, 96, 0, 1, 127,
  3, 130, 128, 128, 128, 0, 1, 0, 4, 132, 128, 128, 128,
    \hookrightarrow 0, 1, 112, 0, 0,
  5, 131, 128, 128, 128, 0, 1, 0, 1, 6, 129, 128, 128,
    \hookrightarrow 128, 0, 0, 7, 145,
  128, 128, 128, 0, 2, 6, 109, 101, 109, 111, 114, 121,
    \hookrightarrow 2, 0, 4, 109, 97,
  105, 110, 0, 0, 10, 138, 128, 128, 128, 0, 1, 132,
    \hookrightarrow 128, 128, 128, 0, 0,
  65, 42, 11
]);
const wasmModule = new WebAssembly.Module(wasmCode);
const wasmInstance = new WebAssembly.Instance(wasmModule
 \hookrightarrow ):
const main = wasmInstance.exports.main as
  \hookrightarrow CallableFunction
```

```
console.log(wasmInstance.exports.main().toString());
```

Debugging your code

Deno supports the V8 Inspector Protocol.

It's possible to debug Deno programs using Chrome Devtools or other clients that support the protocol (eg. VSCode).

To activate debugging capabilities run Deno with the --inspect or -
→ inspect-brk flags.

The --inspect flag allows attaching the debugger at any point in time, while --inspect-brk will wait for the debugger to attach and will pause execution on the first line of code.

Chrome Devtools

Let's try debugging a program using Chrome Devtools. For this, we'll use file server.ts from std, a static file server.

Use the --inspect-brk flag to break execution on the first line:

Open chrome://inspect and click Inspect next to target:

Remote Target #LOCALHOST

Target (1.0.0-rc3) trace

[31844] deno - main inspect reload

Figure 1: chrome://inspect

It might take a few seconds after opening the Devtools to load all modules.

You might notice that Devtools paused execution on the first line of _constants.ts instead of file_server.ts. This is expected behavior and is caused by the way ES modules are evaluated by V8 (_constants \(\to \) .ts is left-most, bottom-most dependency of file_server.ts so it is evaluated first).

At this point all source code is available in the Devtools, so let's open up file_server.ts and add a breakpoint there; go to "Sources" pane and expand the tree:

Looking closely you'll find duplicate entries for each file; one written regularly and one in italics. The former is compiled source file (so in the case of .ts files it will be emitted JavaScript source), while the latter is a source map for the file.

Next, add a breakpoint in the listenAndServe method:

As soon as we've added the breakpoint Devtools automatically opened up the source map file, which allows us step through the actual source code that includes types.

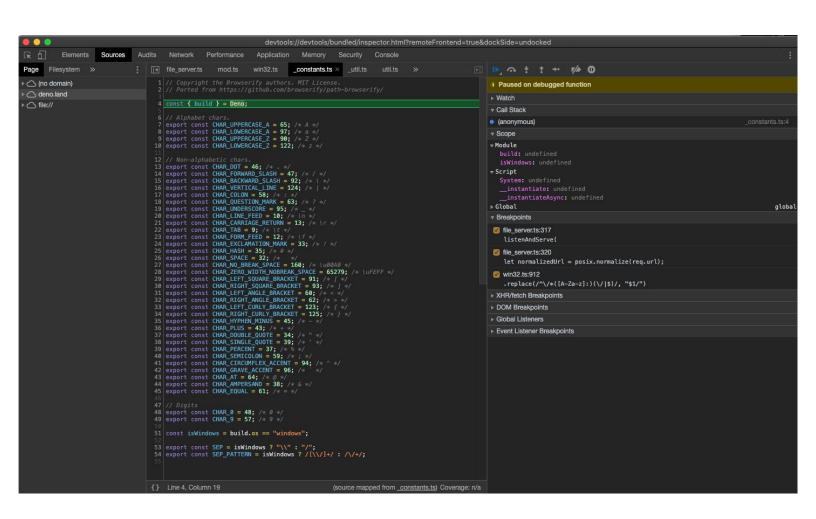


Figure 2: Devtools opened

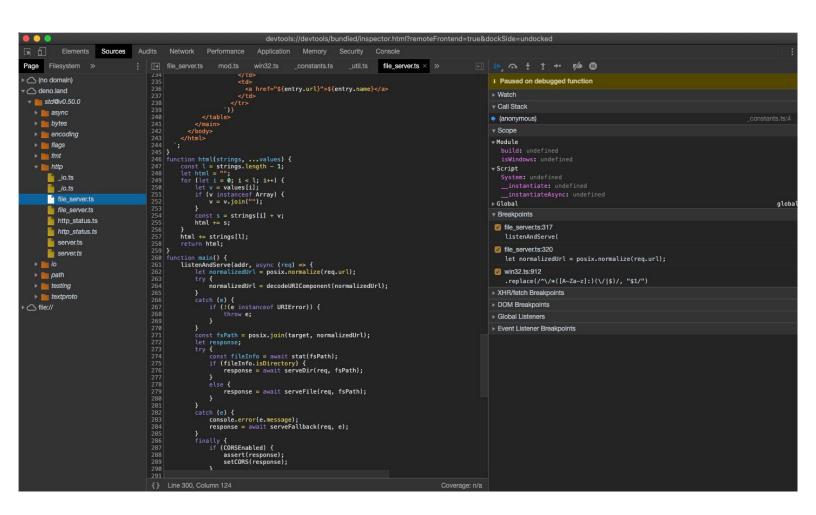


Figure 3: Open file_server.ts

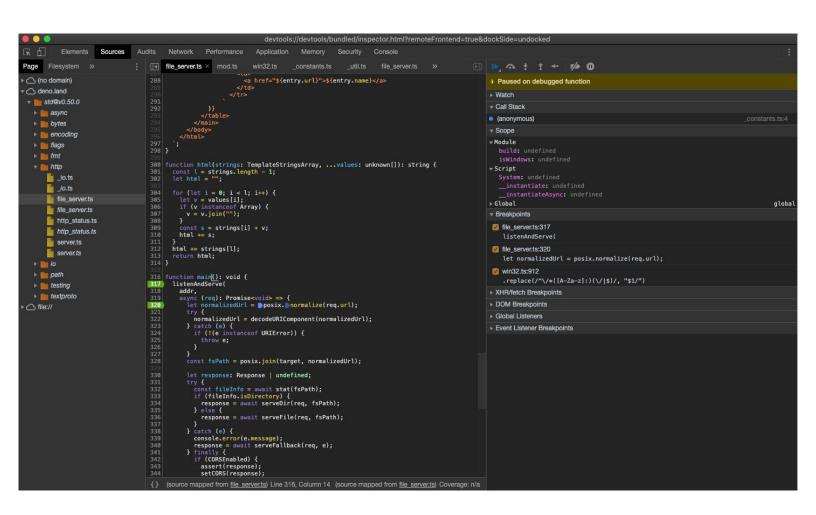


Figure 4: Break in file_server.ts

Now that we have our breakpoints set, we can resume the execution of our script so that we might inspect an incoming request. Hit the Resume script execution button to do so. You might even need to hit it twice!

Once our script is running again, let's send a request and inspect it in Devtools:

\$ curl http://0.0.0.0:4500/

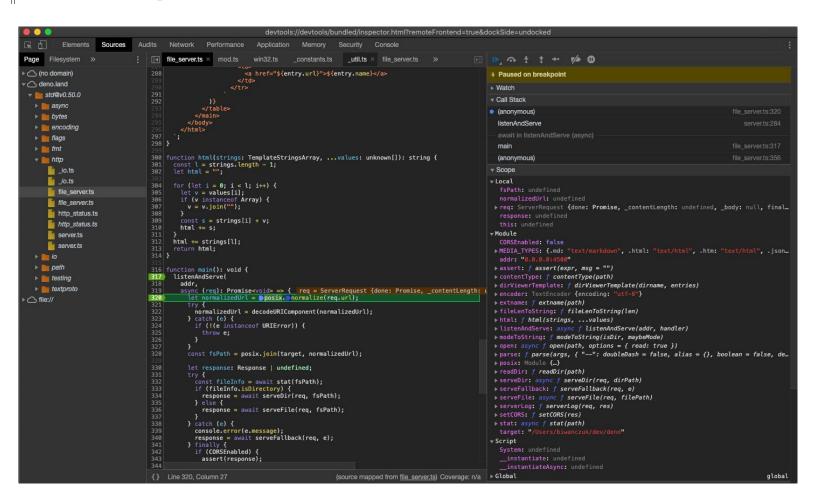


Figure 5: Break in request handling

At this point we can introspect the contents of the request and go stepby-step to debug the code.

VSCode

Deno can be debugged using VSCode.

Official support via the plugin is being worked on - https://github.com/dex

We can still attach the debugger by manually providing a launch.json config:

NOTE: This uses the file you have open as the entry point; replace \${file} with a script name if you want a fixed entry point.

Let's try out debugging a local source file. Create server.ts:

Then we can set a breakpoint, and run the created configuration:

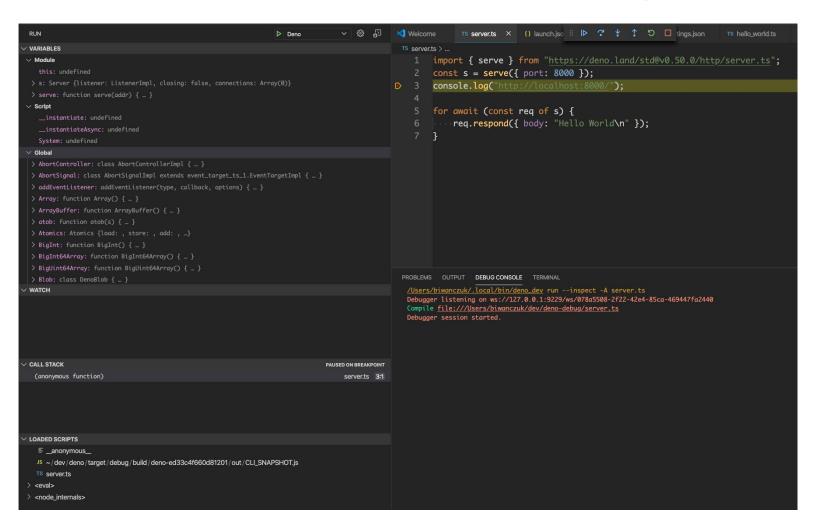


Figure 6: VSCode debugger

JetBrains IDEs

You can debug Deno using your JetBrains IDE by right-clicking the file you want to debug and selecting the Debug 'Deno: <file name>' option. This will create a run/debug configuration with no permission flags set. To configure these flags edit the run/debug configuration and modify the Arguments field with the required flags.

Other

Any client that implements the Devtools protocol should be able to connect to a Deno process.

Limitations

Devtools support is still immature. There is some functionality that is known to be missing or buggy:

- autocomplete in Devtools' console causes the Deno process to exit.
- profiling and memory dumps might not work correctly.

Runtime

Documentation for all runtime functions (Web APIs + Deno global) can be found on doc.deno.land.

Web APIs

For APIs where a web standard already exists, like fetch for HTTP requests, Deno uses these rather than inventing a new proprietary API.

The detailed documentation for implemented Web APIs can be found on doc.deno.land. Additionally, a full list of the Web APIs which Deno implements is also available in the repository.

The TypeScript definitions for the implemented web APIs can be found in the lib.deno.shared_globals.d.ts and lib.deno.window.d.ts files.

Definitions that are specific to workers can be found in the lib.deno. \hookrightarrow worker.d.ts file.

Deno global

All APIs that are not web standard are contained in the global Deno \hookrightarrow namespace. It has the APIs for reading from files, opening TCP sockets, and executing subprocesses, etc.

The TypeScript definitions for the Deno namespaces can be found in the lib.deno.ns.d.ts file.

The documentation for all of the Deno specific APIs can be found on doc.deno.land.

Stability

As of Deno 1.0.0, the **Deno** namespace APIs are stable. That means we will strive to make code working under 1.0.0 continue to work in future versions.

However, not all of Deno's features are ready for production yet. Features which are not ready, because they are still in draft phase, are locked behind the --unstable command line flag.

deno run --unstable mod_which_uses_unstable_stuff.ts

Passing this flag does a few things:

- It enables the use of unstable APIs during runtime.
- It adds the lib.deno.unstable.d.ts file to the list of TypeScript definitions that are used for type checking. This includes the output of deno types.

You should be aware that many unstable APIs have **not undergone a security review**, are likely to have **breaking API changes** in the future, and are **not ready for production**.

Standard modules

Deno's standard modules (https://deno.land/std/) are not yet stable. We currently version the standard modules differently from the CLI to reflect this. Note that unlike the Deno namespace, the use of the standard modules do not require the --unstable flag (unless the standard module itself makes use of an unstable Deno feature).

Program lifecycle

Deno supports browser compatible lifecycle events: load and unload. You can use these events to provide setup and cleanup code in your program.

Listeners for load events can be asynchronous and will be awaited. Listeners for unload events need to be synchronous. Both events cannot be cancelled.

Example:

main.ts

```
window.addEventListener("load", handler);
window.addEventListener("unload", handler);
window.onload = (e: Event): void => {
  console.log(`got ${e.type} event in onload function (
    \hookrightarrow main)`);
};
window.onunload = (e: Event): void => {
  console.log(`got ${e.type} event in onunload function
    \hookrightarrow (main)`);
};
console.log("log from main script");
imported.ts
const handler = (e: Event): void => {
  console.log(`got ${e.type} event in event handler (
    \hookrightarrow imported)`);
};
window.addEventListener("load", handler);
window.addEventListener("unload", handler);
window.onload = (e: Event): void => {
  console.log(`got ${e.type} event in onload function (
    \hookrightarrow imported)`);
};
window.onunload = (e: Event): void => {
  console.log(`got ${e.type} event in onunload function
    \hookrightarrow (imported)`);
```

```
};
console.log("log from imported script");
```

Note that you can use both window.addEventListener and window.onload \hookrightarrow /window.onunload to define handlers for events. There is a major difference between them, let's run the example:

```
$ deno run main.ts
log from imported script
log from main script
got load event in onload function (main)
got load event in event handler (imported)
got load event in event handler (main)
got unload event in onunload function (main)
got unload event in event handler (imported)
got unload event in event handler (main)
```

All listeners added using window.addEventListener were run, but window \hookrightarrow .onload and window.onunload defined in main.ts overrode handlers defined in imported.ts.

In other words, you can register multiple window.addEventListener " \hookrightarrow load" or "unload" events, but only the last loaded window.onload or window.onunload events will be executed.

Permission APIs

This API is unstable. Learn more about unstable features.

Permissions are granted from the CLI when running the deno command. User code will often assume its own set of required permissions, but there is no guarantee during execution that the set of *granted* permis-

sions will align with this.

In some cases, ensuring a fault-tolerant program requires a way to interact with the permission system at runtime.

Permission descriptors

Other examples:

 \hookrightarrow ;

Query permissions

Check, by descriptor, if a permission is granted or not.

Permission states

A permission state can be either "granted", "prompt" or "denied". Permissions which have been granted from the CLI will query to { state:

"granted" }. Those which have not been granted query to { state:
"prompt" } by default, while { state: "denied" } reserved for those which have been explicitly refused. This will come up in Request permissions.

Permission strength

The intuitive understanding behind the result of the second query in Query permissions is that read access was granted to /foo and /foo/bar is within /foo so /foo/bar is allowed to be read.

We can also say that desc1 is *stronger than* desc2. This means that for any set of CLI-granted permissions:

- 1. If desc1 queries to { state: "granted" } then so must desc2.
- 2. If desc2 queries to { state: "denied" } then so must desc1.

More examples:

Request permissions

Request an ungranted permission from the user via CLI prompt.

```
// PermissionStatus { state: "denied" }
```

If the current permission state is "prompt", a prompt will appear on the user's terminal asking them if they would like to grant the request. The request for desc1 was granted so its new status is returned and execution will continue as if --allow-read=/foo was specified on the CLI. The request for desc2 was denied so its permission state is downgraded from "prompt" to "denied".

If the current permission state is already either "granted" or "denied", the request will behave like a query and just return the current status. This prevents prompts both for already granted permissions and previously denied requests.

Revoke permissions

Downgrade a permission from "granted" to "prompt".

```
// deno run --unstable --allow-read=/foo main.ts
const desc = { name: "read", path: "/foo" } as const;
console.log(await Deno.permissions.revoke(desc));
// PermissionStatus { state: "prompt" }
```

However, what happens when you try to revoke a permission which is *partial* to one granted on the CLI?

It was not revoked.

To understand this behaviour, imagine that Deno stores an internal set of explicitly granted permission descriptors. Specifying --allow-read \hookrightarrow =/foo,/bar on the CLI initializes this set to:

Granting a runtime request for { name: "write", path: "/foo" } updates the set to:

```
{ name: "read", path: "/foo" },
    { name: "read", path: "/bar" },
    { name: "write", path: "/foo" },
];
```

Deno's permission revocation algorithm works by removing every element from this set which the argument permission descriptor is *stronger* than. So to ensure desc is not longer granted, pass an argument descriptor tor *stronger* than whichever explicitly granted permission descriptor is *stronger* than desc.

Compiler APIs

This API is unstable. Learn more about unstable features.

Deno supports runtime access to the built-in TypeScript compiler. There are three methods in the Deno namespace that provide this access.

Deno.compile()

This works similar to deno cache in that it can fetch and cache the code, compile it, but not run it. It takes up to three arguments, the rootName, optionally sources, and optionally options. The rootName is the root module which will be used to generate the resulting program. This is like the module name you would pass on the command line in deno run \rightarrow --reload example.ts. The sources is a hash where the key is the fully qualified module name, and the value is the text source of the module. If sources is passed, Deno will resolve all the modules from within that hash and not attempt to resolve them outside of Deno. If sources are not provided, Deno will resolve modules as if the root module had been passed on the command line. Deno will also cache any of these resources. All resolved resources are treated as dynamic imports and require read or net permissions depending on if they're local or remote. The options argument is a set of options of type Deno.CompilerOptions,

which is a subset of the TypeScript compiler options containing the ones supported by Deno.

The method resolves with a tuple. The first argument contains any diagnostics (syntax or type errors) related to the code. The second argument is a map where the keys are the output filenames and the values are the content.

An example of providing sources:

We would expect map to contain 4 "files", named /foo.js.map, /foo.js, /bar.js.map, and /bar.js.

When not supplying resources, you can use local or remote modules, just like you could do on the command line. So you could do something like this:

In this case emitMap will contain a console.log() statement.

Deno.bundle()

This works a lot like deno bundle does on the command line. It is also like Deno.compile(), except instead of returning a map of files, it returns a single string, which is a self-contained JavaScript ES module which will include all of the code that was provided or resolved as well as exports of all the exports of the root module that was provided. It takes up to three arguments, the rootName, optionally sources, and optionally options. The rootName is the root module which will be used to generate the resulting program. This is like module name you would pass on the command line in deno bundle example.ts. The sources is a hash where the key is the fully qualified module name, and the value is the text source of the module. If sources is passed, Deno will resolve all the modules from within that hash and not attempt to resolve them outside of Deno. If sources are not provided, Deno will resolve modules as if the root module had been passed on the command line. All resolved resources are treated as dynamic imports and require read or net permissions depending if they're local or remote. Deno will also cache any of these resources. The options argument is a set of options of type Deno.CompilerOptions, which is a subset of the TypeScript compiler options containing the ones supported by Deno.

An example of providing sources:

We would expect emit to be the text for an ES module, which would contain the output sources for both modules.

When not supplying resources, you can use local or remote modules, just like you could do on the command line. So you could do something like this:

```
const [diagnostics, emit] = await Deno.bundle(
   "https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION/http/server.ts",
);
```

In this case emit will be a self contained JavaScript ES module with all of its dependencies resolved and exporting the same exports as the source module.

Deno.transpileOnly()

This is based off of the TypeScript function transpileModule(). All this does is "erase" any types from the modules and emit JavaScript. There is no type checking and no resolution of dependencies. It accepts up to two arguments, the first is a hash where the key is the module name and the value is the content. The only purpose of the module name is when putting information into a source map, of what the source file name was. The second argument contains optional options of the type Deno.CompilerOptions. The function resolves with a map where the key is the source module name supplied, and the value is an object with a property of source and optionally map. The first is the output contents of the module. The map property is the source map. Source maps are provided by default, but can be turned off via the options argument.

An example:

```
const result = await Deno.transpileOnly({
   "/foo.ts": `enum Foo { Foo, Bar, Baz };\n`,
});

console.log(result["/foo.ts"].source);
console.log(result["/foo.ts"].map);
```

We would expect the enum would be rewritten to an IIFE which constructs the enumerable, and the map to be defined.

Referencing TypeScript library files

When you use deno run, or other Deno commands which type check TypeScript, that code is evaluated against custom libraries which describe the environment that Deno supports. By default, the compiler runtime APIs which type check TypeScript also use these libraries (Deno \hookrightarrow .compile() and Deno.bundle()).

But if you want to compile or bundle TypeScript for some other runtime, you may want to override the default libraries. To do this, the runtime APIs support the lib property in the compiler options. For example, if you had TypeScript code that is destined for the browser, you would want to use the TypeScript "dom" library:

```
const [errors, emitted] = await Deno.compile(
   "main.ts",
   {
      "main.ts": `document.getElementById("foo");\n`,
   },
   {
      lib: ["dom", "esnext"],
   },
}
```

);

For a list of all the libraries that TypeScript supports, see the lib compiler option documentation.

Don't forget to include the JavaScript library

Just like tsc, when you supply a lib compiler option, it overrides the default ones, which means that the basic JavaScript library won't be included and you should include the one that best represents your target runtime (e.g. es5, es2015, es2016, es2017, es2018, es2019, es2020 or esnext).

Including the Deno namespace In addition to the libraries that are provided by TypeScript, there are four libraries that are built into Deno that can be referenced:

- deno.ns Provides the Deno namespace.
- deno.shared_globals Provides global interfaces and variables which Deno supports at runtime that are then exposed by the final runtime library.
- deno.window Exposes the global variables plus the Deno namespace that are available in the Deno main worker and is the default for the runtime compiler APIs.
- deno.worker Exposes the global variables that are available in workers under Deno.

So to add the Deno namespace to a compilation, you would include the deno.ns lib in the array. For example:

```
const [errors, emitted] = await Deno.compile(
   "main.ts",
   {
```

```
"main.ts": `document.getElementById("foo");\n`,
},
{
    lib: ["dom", "esnext", "deno.ns"],
},
);
```

Note that the Deno namespace expects a runtime environment that is at least ES2018 or later. This means if you use a lib "lower" than ES2018 you will get errors logged as part of the compilation.

Using the triple slash reference You do not have to specify the lib in the compiler options. Deno also supports the triple-slash reference to a lib which can be embedded in the contents of the file. For example, if you have a main.ts like:

```
/// <reference lib="dom" />
document.getElementById("foo");
```

It would compile without errors like this:

Note that the dom library conflicts with some of the default globals that are defined in the default type library for Deno. To avoid this, you need to specify a lib option in the compiler options to the runtime compiler APIs.

Workers

Deno supports Web Worker API.

Workers can be used to run code on multiple threads. Each instance of Worker is run on a separate thread, dedicated only to that worker.

Currently Deno supports only module type workers; thus it's essential to pass the type: "module" option when creating a new worker.

Relative module specifiers are not supported at the moment. You can instead use the URL contructor and import.meta.url to easily create a specifier for some nearby script.

Permissions

Creating a new Worker instance is similar to a dynamic import; therefore Deno requires appropriate permission for this action.

For workers using local modules; --allow-read permission is required:

main.ts

```
new Worker(new URL("worker.ts", import.meta.url).href, { \hookrightarrow type: "module" });
```

worker.ts console.log("hello world"); self.close(); \$ deno run main.ts error: Uncaught PermissionDenied: read access to "./ \hookrightarrow worker.ts", run again with the --allow-read flag \$ deno run --allow-read main.ts hello world For workers using remote modules; --allow-net permission is required: main.ts new Worker("https://example.com/worker.ts", { type: \hookrightarrow module" $\});$ worker.ts (at https://example.com/worker.ts) console.log("hello world"); self.close(); deno run main.ts error: Uncaught PermissionDenied: net access to "https \hookrightarrow ://example.com/worker.ts", run again with the --

Using Deno in worker

 \hookrightarrow allow-net flag

hello world

\$ deno run --allow-net main.ts

This is an unstable Deno feature. Learn more about unstable features.

By default the Deno namespace is not available in worker scope.

To add the Deno namespace pass deno: true option when creating new worker:

main.js

worker.js

```
self.onmessage = async (e) => {
  const { filename } = e.data;
  const text = await Deno.readTextFile(filename);
  console.log(text);
  self.close();
};
```

log.txt

```
hello world

$\begin{aligned} \text{$deno run --allow-read --unstable main.js} \\ \text{hello world} \end{aligned}$
```

When the Deno namespace is available in worker scope, the worker inherits its parent process' permissions (the ones specified using --allow-* flags).

We intend to make permissions configurable for workers.

Linking to third party code

In the Getting Started section, we saw Deno could execute scripts from URLs. Like browser JavaScript, Deno can import libraries directly from URLs. This example uses a URL to import an assertion library:

test.ts

Try running this:

Note that we did not have to provide the --allow-net flag for this program, and yet it accessed the network. The runtime has special access to download imports and cache them to disk.

Deno caches remote imports in a special directory specified by the DENO_DIR environment variable. It defaults to the system's cache di-

rectory if **DENO_DIR** is not specified. The next time you run the program, no downloads will be made. If the program hasn't changed, it won't be recompiled either. The default directory is:

- On Linux/Redox: \$XDG_CACHE_HOME/deno or \$HOME/.cache/deno
- On Windows: %LOCALAPPDATA%/deno (%LOCALAPPDATA% = FOLDERID_LocalAppData)
- On macOS: \$HOME/Library/Caches/deno
- If something fails, it falls back to \$HOME/.deno

FAQ

How do I import a specific version of a module?

Specify the version in the URL. For example, this URL fully specifies the code being run: https://unpkg.com/liltest@0.0.5/dist/liltest.js \hookrightarrow .

It seems unwieldy to import URLs everywhere.

What if one of the URLs links to a subtly different version of a library?

Isn't it error prone to maintain URLs everywhere in a large project?

The solution is to import and re-export your external libraries in a central deps.ts file (which serves the same purpose as Node's package. \hookrightarrow json file). For example, let's say you were using the above assertion library across a large project. Rather than importing "https://deno. \hookrightarrow land/std@\$STD_VERSION/testing/asserts.ts" everywhere, you could create a deps.ts file that exports the third-party code:

deps.ts

And throughout the same project, you can import from the deps.ts and avoid having many references to the same URL:

```
import { assertEquals, runTests, test } from "./deps.ts \hookrightarrow ";
```

This design circumvents a plethora of complexity spawned by package management software, centralized code repositories, and superfluous file formats.

How can I trust a URL that may change?

By using a lock file (with the --lock command line flag), you can ensure that the code pulled from a URL is the same as it was during initial development. You can learn more about this here.

But what if the host of the URL goes down? The source won't be available.

This, like the above, is a problem faced by *any* remote dependency system. Relying on external servers is convenient for development but brittle in production. Production software should always vendor its dependencies. In Node this is done by checking node_modules into source

control. In Deno this is done by pointing \$DENO_DIR to some project-local directory at runtime, and similarly checking that into source control:

Reloading modules

By default, a module in the cache will be reused without fetching or re-compiling it. Sometimes this is not desirable and you can force deno to refetch and recompile modules into the cache. You can invalidate your local <code>DENO_DIR</code> cache using the <code>--reload</code> flag of the <code>deno cache</code> subcommand. It's usage is described below:

To reload everything

deno cache --reload my_module.ts

To reload specific modules

Sometimes we want to upgrade only some modules. You can control it by passing an argument to a --reload flag.

To reload all \$STD_VERSION standard modules:

To reload specific modules (in this example - colors and file system copy) use a comma to separate URLs.

```
deno cache --reload=https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION/ \hookrightarrow fs/copy.ts,https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION/fmt/ \hookrightarrow colors.ts my_module.ts
```

Integrity checking & lock files

Introduction

Let's say your module depends on remote module https://some.url \rightarrow /a.ts. When you compile your module for the first time a.ts is retrieved, compiled and cached. It will remain this way until you run your module on a new machine (say in production) or reload the cache (through deno cache --reload for example). But what happens if the content in the remote url https://some.url/a.ts is changed? This could lead to your production module running with different dependency code than your local module. Deno's solution to avoid this is to use integrity checking and lock files.

Caching and lock files

Deno can store and check subresource integrity for modules using a small JSON file. Use the --lock=lock.json to enable and specify lock file checking. To update or create a lock use --lock=lock.json --lock-write. The --lock=lock.json tells Deno what the lock file to use is, while the --lock-write is used to output dependency hashes to the lock file (--lock-write must be used in conjunction with --lock).

A lock.json might look like this, storing a hash of the file against the dependency:

A typical workflow will look like this:

m src/deps.ts

Then:

```
# Create/update the lock file "lock.json".
deno cache --lock=lock.json --lock-write src/deps.ts

# Include it when committing to source control.
git add -u lock.json
git commit -m "feat: Add support for xyz using xyz-lib"
git push
```

Collaborator on another machine – in a freshly cloned project tree:

Runtime verification

Like caching above, you can also use the --lock-lock.json option during use of the deno run sub command, validating the integrity of any locked modules during the run. Remember that this only validates against dependencies previously added to the lock.json file. New dependencies will be cached but not validated.

You can take this a step further as well by using the --cached-only flag to require that remote dependencies are already cached.

```
deno run --lock=lock.json --cached-only mod.ts
```

This will fail if there are any dependencies in the dependency tree for mod.ts which are not yet cached.

Proxies

Deno supports proxies for module downloads and the Web standard fetch API.

Proxy configuration is read from environmental variables: HTTP_PROXY and HTTPS_PROXY.

In case of Windows, if environment variables are not found Deno falls back to reading proxies from registry.

Import maps

This is an unstable feature. Learn more about unstable features.

Deno supports import maps.

You can use import maps with the --importmap=<FILE> CLI flag.

Current limitations:

- single import map.
- no fallback URLs.
- Deno does not support std: namespace.
- supports only file:, http: and https: schemes.

Example:

import_map.json

```
{
    "imports": {
        "fmt/": "https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION/fmt/"
    }
}
```

color.ts

```
import { red } from "fmt/colors.ts";
console.log(red("hello world"));
```

Then:

```
deno run --importmap=import_map.json --unstable color.
To use starting directory for absolute imports:
   import_map.json
  "imports": {
    "/": "./"
// main.ts
import { MyUtil } from "/util.ts";
You may map a different directory: (eg. src)
   import_map.json
```

Standard library

"imports": {

"/": "./src"

Deno provides a set of standard modules that are audited by the core team and are guaranteed to work with Deno.

Standard library is available at: https://deno.land/std/

Versioning and stability

Standard library is not yet stable and therefore it is versioned differently than Deno. For latest release consult https://deno.land/std/ or https://deno.land/std/version.ts. The standard library is released each time Deno is released.

We strongly suggest to always use imports with pinned version of standard library to avoid unintended changes. For example, rather than linking to the master branch of code, which may change at any time, potentially causing compilation errors or unexpected behavior:

```
// imports from master, this should be avoided
import { copy } from "https://deno.land/std/fs/copy.ts";
```

instead, used a version of the std library which is immutable and will not change:

```
// imports from v$STD_VERSION of std, never changes import { copy } from "https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION \hookrightarrow /fs/copy.ts";
```

Troubleshooting

Some of the modules provided in standard library use unstable Deno APIs.

Trying to run such modules without --unstable CLI flag ends up with a lot of TypeScript errors suggesting that some APIs in the Deno namespace do not exist:

```
copy("log.txt", "log-old.txt");
$ deno run --allow-read --allow-write main.ts
Compile file:///dev/deno/main.ts
Download https://deno.land/std@$STD VERSION/fs/copy.ts
Download https://deno.land/std@$STD VERSION/fs/
  \hookrightarrow ensure dir.ts
Download https://deno.land/std@$STD VERSION/fs/ util.ts
error: TS2339 [ERROR]: Property 'utime' does not exist
  \hookrightarrow on type 'typeof Deno'. 'Deno.utime' is an unstable
  \hookrightarrow API. Did you forget to run with the '--unstable'
  \hookrightarrow flag?
     await Deno.utime(dest, statInfo.atime, statInfo.
       \hookrightarrow mtime);
    at https://deno.land/std@$STD VERSION/fs/copy.ts
       \hookrightarrow :92:16
TS2339 [ERROR]: Property 'utimeSync' does not exist on
  \hookrightarrow type 'typeof Deno'. 'Deno.utimeSync' is an unstable
  \hookrightarrow API. Did you forget to run with the '--unstable'
  \hookrightarrow flag?
    Deno.utimeSync(dest, statInfo.atime, statInfo.mtime)
     at https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION/fs/copy.ts
       \hookrightarrow :103:10
```

Solution to that problem requires adding --unstable flag: deno run --allow-read --allow-write --unstable main.ts

To make sure that API producing error is unstable check lib.deno. \hookrightarrow unstable.d.ts declaration.

This problem should be fixed in the near future. Feel free to omit the flag if the particular modules you depend on compile successfully without it.

Examples

In this chapter you can find some example programs that you can use to learn more about the runtime.

Basic

- Hello World
- Import and Export Modules
- How to Manage Dependencies
- Fetch Data
- Read and Write Files

Advanced

- Unix Cat
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- OS Signals
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- Testing If Main

Hello world

Concepts

• Deno can run JavaScript or TypeScript out of the box with no additional tools or config required.

Overview

Deno is a secure runtime for both JavaScript and TypeScript. As the hello world examples below highlight the same functionality can be created in JavaScript or TypeScript, and Deno will execute both.

JavaScript

In this JavaScript example the message Hello [name] is printed to the console and the code ensures the name provided is capitalized.

Command: deno run hello-world.js

```
/**
 * hello-world.js
 */
function capitalize(word) {
  return word.charAt(0).toUpperCase() + word.slice(1);
}

function hello(name) {
  return "Hello " + capitalize(name);
}

console.log(hello("john"));
console.log(hello("Sarah"));
```

```
console.log(hello("kai"));

/**
  * Output:
  *
  * Hello John
  * Hello Sarah
  * Hello Kai
**/
```

TypeScript

This TypeScript example is exactly the same as the JavaScript example above, the code just has the additional type information which Type-Script supports.

The deno run command is exactly the same, it just references a *.ts file rather than a *.js file.

Command: deno run hello-world.ts

```
/**
 * hello-world.ts
 */
function capitalize(word: string): string {
  return word.charAt(0).toUpperCase() + word.slice(1);
}

function hello(name: string): string {
  return "Hello " + capitalize(name);
}

console.log(hello("john"));
console.log(hello("Sarah"));
```

```
console.log(hello("kai"));

/**
  * Output:
  *
  * Hello John
  * Hello Sarah
  * Hello Kai
**/
```

Import and export modules

Concepts

- import allows you to include and use modules held elsewhere, on your local file system or remotely.
- Imports are URLs or file system paths.
- export allows you to specify which parts of your module are accessible to users who import your module.

Overview

Deno by default standardizes the way modules are imported in both JavaScript and TypeScript using the ECMAScript 6 import/export standard.

It adopts browser-like module resolution, meaning that file names must be specified in full. You may not omit the file extension and there is no special handling of index.js.

```
import { add, multiply } from "./arithmetic.ts";
```

Dependencies are also imported directly, there is no package management overhead. Local modules are imported in exactly the same way as remote modules. As the examples show below, the same functionality can be produced in the same way with local or remote modules.

Local Import

In this example the add and multiply functions are imported from a local arithmetic.ts module.

Command: deno run local.ts

```
/**
 * local.ts
*/
import { add, multiply } from "./arithmetic.ts";
function totalCost(outbound: number, inbound: number,
 \hookrightarrow tax: number): number {
  return multiply(add(outbound, inbound), tax);
}
console.log(totalCost(19, 31, 1.2));
console.log(totalCost(45, 27, 1.15));
/**
 * Output
 *
 * 60
 * 82.8
```

Remote Import

In the local import example above an add and multiply method are imported from a locally stored arithmetic module. The same functionality can be created by importing add and multiply methods from a remote module too.

In this case the Ramda module is referenced, including the version number. Also note a JavaScript module is imported directly into a TypeSript module, Deno has no problem handling this.

Command: deno run ./remote.ts

```
/**
 * remote.ts
*/
import {
  add,
  multiply,
} from "https://x.nest.land/ramda@0.27.0/source/index.js
  \hookrightarrow ":
function totalCost(outbound: number, inbound: number,
  \hookrightarrow tax: number): number {
  return multiply(add(outbound, inbound), tax);
}
console.log(totalCost(19, 31, 1.2));
console.log(totalCost(45, 27, 1.15));
/**
 * Output
 * 60
```

```
* 82.8
*/
```

Export

In the local import example above the add and multiply functions are imported from a locally stored arithmetic module. To make this possible the functions stored in the arithmetic module must be exported.

To do this just add the keyword export to the beginning of the function signature as is shown below.

```
/**
 * arithmetic.ts
 */
export function add(a: number, b: number): number {
  return a + b;
}

export function multiply(a: number, b: number): number {
  return a * b;
}
```

All functions, classes, constants and variables which need to be accessible inside external modules must be exported. Either by prepending them with the export keyword or including them in an export statement at the bottom of the file.

Managing dependencies

Concepts

- Deno uses URLs for dependency management.
- One convention places all these dependent URLs into a local deps → .ts file. Functionality is then exported out of deps.ts for use by local modules.
- Continuing this convention, dev only dependencies can be kept in a dev_deps.ts file.
- See also Linking to external code

Overview

In Deno there is no concept of a package manager as external modules are imported directly into local modules. This raises the question of how to manage remote dependencies without a package manager. In big projects with many dependencies it will become cumbersome and time consuming to update modules if they are all imported individually into individual modules.

The standard practice for solving this problem in Deno is to create a deps.ts file. All required remote dependencies are referenced in this file and the required methods and classes are re-exported. The dependent local modules then reference the deps.ts rather than the remote dependencies. If now for example one remote dependency is used in several files, upgrading to a new version of this remote dependency is much simpler as this can be done just within deps.ts.

With all dependencies centralized in deps.ts, managing these becomes easier. Dev dependencies can also be managed in a separate dev_deps

 \hookrightarrow .ts file, allowing clean separation between dev only and production dependencies.

Example

In this example the same functionality is created as is the case in the local and remote import examples. But in this case instead of the Ramda module being referenced directly it is referenced by proxy using a local deps.ts module.

Command: deno run example.ts

```
console.log(totalCost(19, 31, 1.2));
console.log(totalCost(45, 27, 1.15));

/**
   * Output
   *
   * 60
   * 82.8
   */
```

Fetch data

Concepts

- Like browsers, Deno implements web standard APIs such as fetch.
- Deno is secure by default, meaning explicit permission must be granted to access the network.
- See also: Deno's permissions model.

Overview

When building any sort of web application developers will usually need to retrieve data from somewhere else on the web. This works no differently in Deno than in any other JavaScript application, just call the the fetch() method. For more information on fetch read the MDN documentation.

The exception with Deno occurs when running a script which makes a call over the web. Deno is secure by default which means access to IO (Input / Output) is prohibited. To make a call over the web Deno must be explicitly told it is ok to do so. This is achieved by adding the --allow-net flag to the deno run command.

Example

Command: deno run --allow-net fetch.ts

```
/**
 * Output: JSON Data
 */
const json = fetch("https://api.github.com/users/
 \hookrightarrow denoland");
json.then((response) => {
  return response.json();
}).then((jsonData) => {
  console.log(jsonData);
});
/**
 * Output: HTML Data
*/
const text = fetch("https://deno.land/");
text.then((response) => {
  return response.text();
}).then((textData) => {
  console.log(textData);
});
/**
 * Output: Error Message
 */
```

```
const error = fetch("https://does.not.exist/");
error.catch((error) => console.log(error.message));
```

Read and write files

Concepts

- Deno's runtime API provides the Deno.readTextFile and Deno.writeTextFile asynchronous functions for reading and writing entire text files.
- Like many of Deno's APIs, synchronous alternatives are also available. See Deno.readTextFileSync and Deno.writeTextFileSync.
- Use --allow-read and --allow-write permissions to gain access to the file system.

Overview

Interacting with the filesystem to read and write files is a common requirement. Deno provides a number of ways to do this via the standard library and the Deno runtime API.

As highlighted in the Fetch Data example Deno restricts access to Input / Output by default for security reasons. Therefore when interacting with the filesystem the --allow-read and --allow-write flags must be used with the deno run command.

Reading a text file

The Deno runtime API makes it possible to read text files via the Deno.

→ readTextFile() method, it just requires a path string or URL object.

The method returns a promise which provides access to the file's text data.

Command: deno run --allow-read read.ts

```
/**
  * read.ts
  */
const text = Deno.readTextFile("./people.json");

text.then((response) => console.log(response));

/**
  * Output:
  *
  * [
  * {"id": 1, "name": "John", "age": 23},
  * {"id": 2, "name": "Sandra", "age": 51},
  * {"id": 5, "name": "Devika", "age": 11}
  * ]
  */
```

Writing a text file

The Deno runtime API allows developers to write text to files via the <code>Deno.writeTextFile()</code> method. It just requires a file path and text string. The method returns a promise which resolves when the file was successfully written.

To run the command the --allow-write flag must be supplied to the deno run command.

Command: deno run --allow-write write.ts

By combining Deno.writeTextFile and JSON.stringify you can easially write serialized JSON objects to a file. This example uses synchronous Deno.writeTextFileSync, but this can also be done asynchronously using await Deno.writeTextFile.

To execute the code the deno run command needs the write flag.

Command: deno run --allow-write write.ts

```
/**
 * write.ts
 */
function writeJson(path: string, data: object): string {
   try {
     Deno.writeTextFileSync(path, JSON.stringify(data));
   return "Written to " + path;
```

An implementation of the unix "cat" program

Concepts

- Use the Deno runtime API to output the contents of a file to the console.
- Deno.args accesses the command line arguments.
- Deno.open is used to get a handle to a file.
- Deno.copy is used to transfer data from the file to the output stream.
- Files should be closed when you are finished with them
- Modules can be run directly from remote URLs.

Example

In this program each command-line argument is assumed to be a filename, the file is opened, and printed to stdout (e.g. the console).

```
/**
 * cat.ts
 */
for (let i = 0; i < Deno.args.length; i++) {
  const filename = Deno.args[i];
  const file = await Deno.open(filename);
  await Deno.copy(file, Deno.stdout);
  file.close();
}</pre>
```

To run the program:

```
deno run --allow-read https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION \hookrightarrow /examples/cat.ts /etc/passwd
```

Simple HTTP web server

Concepts

• Use the std library http module to run your own web server.

Overview

With just a few lines of code you can run your own http web server with control over the response status, request headers and more.

Sample web server

In this example, the user-agent of the client is returned to the client:

```
/**
 * webserver.ts
 */
```

```
import { serve } from "https://deno.land/

    std@$STD VERSION/http/server.ts";
const server = serve({ hostname: "0.0.0.0", port: 8080
  \hookrightarrow });
console.log(`HTTP webserver running. Access it at:
  \hookrightarrow http://localhost:8080/\);
for await (const request of server) {
   let bodyContent = "Your user-agent is:\n\n";
  bodyContent += request.headers.get("user-agent") || "
    \hookrightarrow Unknown";
  request.respond({ status: 200, body: bodyContent });
Run this with:
deno run --allow-net webserver.ts
```

File server

Concepts

- Use the Deno standard library file_server.ts to run your own file server and access your files from your web browser.
- Run Deno install to install the file server locally.

Example

Serve a local directory via HTTP. First install the remote script to your local file system. This will install the script to the Deno installation

```
deno install --allow-net --allow-read https://deno.land/
  \hookrightarrow std@$STD_VERSION/http/file_server.ts
You can now run the script with the simplified script name. Run it:
$ file server
Downloading https://deno.land/std@$STD VERSION/http/
  \hookrightarrow \texttt{file\_server.ts...}
[...]
HTTP server listening on http://0.0.0.0:4507/
Now go to http://0.0.0.0:4507/ in your web browser to see your local
directory contents.
Help
Help and a complete list of options are available via:
file_server --help
Example output:
Deno File Server
     Serves a local directory in HTTP.
   INSTALL:
     deno install --allow-net --allow-read https://deno.
       → land/std/http/file_server.ts
   USAGE:
     file server [path] [options]
   OPTIONS:
     -h, --help
                            Prints help information
```

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root's bin directory, e.g. /home/alice/.deno/bin/file_server.

```
Set port
-p, --port <PORT>
                     Enable CORS via the "Access-
--cors

    ○ Control-Allow-Origin header

      <HOST>
                    Hostname (default is 0.0.0.0)
--host
-c, --cert <FILE>
                    TLS certificate file (enables
 \hookrightarrow TLS)
-k, --key <FILE>
                    TLS key file (enables TLS)
--no-dir-listing
                    Disable directory listing
All TLS options are required when one is provided.
```

TCP echo server

Concepts

- Listening for TCP port connections with Deno.listen.
- Use Deno.copy to take inbound data and redirect it to be outbound data.

Example

This is an example of a server which accepts connections on port 8080, and returns to the client anything it sends.

```
/**
 * echo_server.ts
 */
const listener = Deno.listen({ port: 8080 });
console.log("listening on 0.0.0.0:8080");
for await (const conn of listener) {
   Deno.copy(conn, conn);
}
```

```
Run with:

deno run --allow-net echo_server.ts
```

To test it, try sending data to it with netcat (Linux/MacOS only). Below 'hello world' is sent over the connection, which is then echoed back to the user:

```
$ nc localhost 8080
hello world
hello world
```

Like the cat.ts example, the copy() function here also does not make unnecessary memory copies. It receives a packet from the kernel and sends back, without further complexity.

Creating a subprocess

Concepts

- Deno is capable of spawning a subprocess via Deno.run.
- --allow-run permission is required to spawn a subprocess.
- Spawned subprocesses do not run in a security sandbox.
- Communicate with the subprocess via the stdin, stdout and stderr streams.

Simple example

This example is the equivalent of running 'echo hello' from the command line.

```
/**
  * subprocess_simple.ts
```

```
// create subprocess
const p = Deno.run({
   cmd: ["echo", "hello"],
});

// await its completion
await p.status();

Run it:

$ deno run --allow-run ./subprocess_simple.ts
hello
```

Security

The --allow-run permission is required for creation of a subprocess. Be aware that subprocesses are not run in a Deno sandbox and therefore have the same permissions as if you were to run the command from the command line yourself.

Communicating with subprocesses

By default when you use Deno.run() the subprocess inherits stdin, stdout and stderr of the parent process. If you want to communicate with started subprocess you can use "piped" option.

```
/**
  * subprocess.ts
  */
const fileNames = Deno.args;
```

```
const p = Deno.run({
  cmd: [
    "deno",
    "run",
    "--allow-read",
    "https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION/examples/cat.ts
      \hookrightarrow ",
    ...fileNames,
  stdout: "piped",
  stderr: "piped",
});
const { code } = await p.status();
if (code === 0) {
  const rawOutput = await p.output();
  await Deno.stdout.write(rawOutput);
} else {
  const rawError = await p.stderrOutput();
  const errorString = new TextDecoder().decode(rawError)
    \hookrightarrow ;
  console.log(errorString);
}
Deno.exit(code);
When you run it:
$ deno run --allow-run ./subprocess.ts <somefile>
[file content]
 deno run --allow-run ./subprocess.ts non_existent_file
  \hookrightarrow .md
```

```
Uncaught NotFound: No such file or directory (os error \hookrightarrow 2)

at DenoError (deno/js/errors.ts:22:5)

at maybeError (deno/js/errors.ts:41:12)

at handleAsyncMsgFromRust (deno/js/dispatch.ts

\hookrightarrow :27:17)
```

Handle OS Signals

This program makes use of an unstable Deno feature. Learn more about unstable features.

Concepts

- Use the --unstable flag to access new or unstable features in Deno.
- Deno.signal can be used to capture and monitor OS signals.
- Use the dispose() function of the Deno.signal SignalStream to stop watching the signal.

Async iterator example

You can use Deno.signal() function for handling OS signals:

```
/**
 * async-iterator-signal.ts
 */
console.log("Press Ctrl-C to trigger a SIGINT signal");
for await (const _ of Deno.signal(Deno.Signal.SIGINT)) {
   console.log("interrupted!");
```

```
Deno.exit();
Run with:
deno run --unstable async-iterator-signal.ts
```

Promise based example

Deno.signal() also works as a promise:

```
/**
* promise-signal.ts
 */
console.log("Press Ctrl-C to trigger a SIGINT signal");
await Deno.signal(Deno.Signal.SIGINT);
console.log("interrupted!");
Deno.exit();
```

Run with:

deno run --unstable promise-signal.ts

Stop watching signals

If you want to stop watching the signal, you can use dispose() method of the signal object:

```
/**
* dispose-signal.ts
*/
const sig = Deno.signal(Deno.Signal.SIGINT);
setTimeout(() => {
  sig.dispose();
  console.log("No longer watching SIGINT signal");
```

```
}, 5000);

console.log("Watching SIGINT signals");
for await (const _ of sig) {
  console.log("interrupted");
}
Run with:
```

```
deno run --unstable dispose-signal.ts
```

The above for-await loop exits after 5 seconds when sig.dispose() is called.

File system events

Concepts

- Use Deno.watchFs to watch for file system events.
- Results may vary between operating systems.

Example

To poll for file system events in the current directory:

```
}
```

Run with:

deno run --allow-read watcher.ts

Now try adding, removing and modifying files in the same directory as watcher.ts.

Note that the exact ordering of the events can vary between operating systems. This feature uses different syscalls depending on the platform:

• Linux: inotify

• macOS: FSEvents

• Windows: ReadDirectoryChangesW

Module metadata

Concepts

- import.meta can provide information on the context of the module.
- The boolean import.meta.main will let you know if the current module is the program entry point.
- The string import.meta.url will give you the URL of the current module.
- The string Deno.mainModule will give you the URL of the main module entry point, i.e. the module invoked by the deno runtime.

Example

The example below uses two modules to show the difference between import.meta.url, import.meta.main and Deno.mainModule. In this example, module_a.ts is the main module entry point:

```
* module b.ts
 */
export function outputB() {
  console.log("Module B's import.meta.url", import.meta.
    \hookrightarrow url);
  console.log("Module B's mainModule url", Deno.
    \hookrightarrow mainModule);
  console.log(
    "Is module B the main module via import.meta.main?",
    import.meta.main,
  );
/**
 * module_a.ts
*/
import { outputB } from "./module_b.ts";
function outputA() {
  console.log("Module A's import.meta.url", import.meta.
    \hookrightarrow url);
  console.log("Module A's mainModule url", Deno.
    \hookrightarrow mainModule);
  console.log(
    "Is module A the main module via import.meta.main?",
    import.meta.main,
  );
```

Testing

Deno has a built-in test runner that you can use for testing JavaScript or TypeScript code.

Is module B the main module via import.meta.main? false

Writing tests

To define a test you need to call Deno.test with a name and function to be tested. There are two styles you can use.

```
// Simple name and function, compact form, but not \hookrightarrow configurable Deno.test("hello world #1", () => {
```

Assertions

There are some useful assertion utilities at https://deno.land/std@\$STD_to make testing easier:

Async functions

You can also test asynchronous code by passing a test function that returns a promise. For this you can use the async keyword when defining a function:

Resource and async op sanitizers

Certain actions in Deno create resources in the resource table (learn more here). These resources should be closed after you are done using them.

For each test definition, the test runner checks that all resources created in this test have been closed. This is to prevent resource 'leaks'. This is enabled by default for all tests, but can be disabled by setting the sanitizeResources boolean to false in the test definition.

The same is true for async operation like interacting with the filesystem. The test runner checks that each operation you start in the test is

completed before the end of the test. This is enabled by default for all tests, but can be disabled by setting the sanitizeOps boolean to false in the test definition.

```
Deno.test({
   name: "leaky test",
   fn() {
      Deno.open("hello.txt");
   },
   sanitizeResources: false,
   sanitizeOps: false,
});
```

Running tests

To run the test, call deno test with the file that contains your test function. You can also omit the file name, in which case all tests in the current directory (recursively) that match the glob {*_,*.,}test.{js,} \$\infty\$ mjs,ts,jsx,tsx} will be run. If you pass a directory, all files in the directory that match this glob will be run.

deno test uses the same permission model as deno run and therefore will require, for example, --allow-write to write to the file system during

testing.

To see all runtime options with deno test, you can reference the command line help:

```
deno help test
```

Filtering

There are a number of options to filter the tests you are running.

Command line filtering

Tests can be run individually or in groups using the command line -
→ filter option.

The filter flags accept a string or a pattern as value.

Assuming the following tests:

```
Deno.test({ name: "my-test", fn: myTest });
Deno.test({ name: "test-1", fn: test1 });
Deno.test({ name: "test2", fn: test2 });
```

This command will run all of these tests because they all contain the word "test".

```
deno test --filter "test" tests/
```

On the flip side, the following command uses a pattern and will run the second and third tests.

```
deno test --filter "/test-*\d/" tests/
```

To let Deno know that you want to use a pattern, wrap your filter with forward-slashes like the JavaScript syntactic sugar for a REGEX.

Test definition filtering

Within the tests themselves, you have two options for filtering.

Filtering out (Ignoring these tests) Sometimes you want to ignore tests based on some sort of condition (for example you only want a test to run on Windows). For this you can use the ignore boolean in the test definition. If it is set to true the test will be skipped.

```
Deno.test({
   name: "do macOS feature",
   ignore: Deno.build.os !== "darwin",
   fn() {
      doMacOSFeature();
   },
});
```

Filtering in (Only run these tests) Sometimes you may be in the middle of a problem within a large test class and you would like to focus on just that test and ignore the rest for now. For this you can use the only option to tell the test framework to only run tests with this set to true. Multiple tests can set this option. While the test run will report on the success or failure of each test, the overall test run will always fail if any test is flagged with only, as this is a temporary measure only which disables nearly all of your tests.

```
Deno.test({
   name: "Focus on this test only",
```

```
only: true,
fn() {
   testComplicatedStuff();
},
```

Failing fast

If you have a long running test suite and wish for it to stop on the first failure, you can specify the --failfast flag when running the suite.

```
deno test --failfast
```

Test coverage

Deno will automatically determine test coverage for your code if you specify the --coverage flag when starting deno test. Coverage is determined on a line by line basis for modules that share the parent directory with at-least one test module that is being executed.

This coverage information is acquired directly from the JavaScript engine (V8). Because of this, the coverage reports are very accurate.

When all tests are done running a summary of coverage per file is printed to stdout. In the future there will be support for lcov output too.

Assertions

To help developers write tests the Deno standard library comes with a built in assertions module which can be imported from https://deno.

→ land/std@\$STD VERSION/testing/asserts.ts.

The assertions module provides 10 assertions:

- assert(expr: unknown, msg = ""): asserts expr
- assertEquals(actual: unknown, expected: unknown, msg?:
 - \hookrightarrow string): void
- assertNotEquals(actual: unknown, expected: unknown, msg?:
 - \hookrightarrow string): void
- assertStrictEquals(actual: unknown, expected: unknown, msg?:
 - \hookrightarrow string): void

- assertMatch(actual: string, expected: RegExp, msg?: string): \hookrightarrow void
- assertNotMatch(actual: string, expected: RegExp, msg?:

 ⇒ string): void

Assert

The assert method is a simple 'truthy' assertion and can be used to assert any value which can be inferred as true.

```
Deno.test("Test Assert", () => {
   assert(1);
   assert("Hello");
   assert(true);
});
```

Equality

There are three equality assertions available, assertEquals(), assertNotEquals() and assertStrictEquals().

The assertEquals() and assertNotEquals() methods provide a general equality check and are capable of asserting equality between primitive

types and objects.

```
Deno.test("Test Assert Equals", () => {
  assertEquals(1, 1);
  assertEquals("Hello", "Hello");
  assertEquals(true, true);
  assertEquals(undefined, undefined);
  assertEquals(null, null);
  assertEquals(new Date(), new Date());
  assertEquals(new RegExp("abc"), new RegExp("abc"));
  class Foo {}
  const foo1 = new Foo();
  const foo2 = new Foo();
  assertEquals(foo1, foo2);
});
Deno.test("Test Assert Not Equals", () => {
  assertNotEquals(1, 2);
  assertNotEquals("Hello", "World");
  assertNotEquals(true, false);
  assertNotEquals(undefined, "");
  assertNotEquals(new Date(), Date.now());
  assertNotEquals(new RegExp("abc"), new RegExp("def"));
|});
```

By contrast assertStrictEquals() provides a simpler, stricter equality check based on the === operator. As a result it will not assert two instances of identical objects as they won't be referentially the same.

```
Deno.test("Test Assert Strict Equals", () => {
   assertStrictEquals(1, 1);
   assertStrictEquals("Hello", "Hello");
   assertStrictEquals(true, true);
```

```
assertStrictEquals(undefined, undefined);
});
```

The assertStrictEquals() assertion is best used when you wish to make a precise check against two primitive types.

Contains

There are two methods available to assert a value contains a value, assertStringContains() and assertArrayContains().

The assertStringContains() assertion does a simple includes check on a string to see if it contains the expected string.

```
Deno.test("Test Assert String Contains", () => {
  assertStringContains("Hello World", "Hello");
});
```

The assertArrayContains() assertion is slightly more advanced and can find both a value within an array and an array of values within an array.

Regex

You can assert regular expressions via assertMatch() and assertNotMatch

→ () assertions.

```
Deno.test("Test Assert Match", () => {
   assertMatch("abcdefghi", new RegExp("def"));
```

```
const basicUrl = new RegExp("^https?://[a-z.]+.com$");
assertMatch("https://www.google.com", basicUrl);
assertMatch("http://facebook.com", basicUrl);
});

Deno.test("Test Assert Not Match", () => {
  assertNotMatch("abcdefghi", new RegExp("jkl"));

const basicUrl = new RegExp("^https?://[a-z.]+.com$");
  assertNotMatch("https://deno.land/", basicUrl);
});
```

Throws

There are two ways to assert whether something throws an error in Deno, assertThrows() and assertThrowsAsync(). Both assertions allow you to check an Error has been thrown, the type of error thrown and what the message was.

The difference between the two assertions is assertThrows() accepts a standard function and assertThrowsAsync() accepts a function which returns a Promise.

The assertThrows() assertion will check an error has been thrown, and optionally will check the thrown error is of the correct type, and assert the error message is as expected.

```
Deno.test("Test Assert Throws", () => {
   assertThrows(
      () => {
      throw new Error("Panic!");
   },
```

```
Error,
    "Panic!",
);
});
```

The assertThrowsAsync() assertion is a little more complicated, mainly because it deals with Promises. But basically it will catch thrown errors or rejections in Promises. You can also optionally check for the error type and error message.

```
Deno.test("Test Assert Throws Async", () => {
  assertThrowsAsync(
    () => {
      return new Promise(() => {
        throw new Error ("Panic! Threw Error");
      });
    },
    Error,
    "Panic! Threw Error",
  );
  assertThrowsAsync(
    () => {
      return Promise.reject(new Error("Panic! Reject
        \hookrightarrow Error"));
    },
    Error,
    "Panic! Reject Error",
```

Custom Messages

Each of Deno's built in assertions allow you to overwrite the standard CLI error message if you wish. For instance this example will output "Values Don't Match!" rather than the standard CLI error message.

```
Deno.test("Test Assert Equal Fail Custom Message", () => \hookrightarrow { assertEquals(1, 2, "Values Don't Match!"); });
```

Built-in tooling

Deno provides some built in tooling that is useful when working with JavaScript and TypeScript:

- bundler (deno bundle)
- dependency inspector (deno info)
- documentation generator (deno doc)
- formatter (deno fmt)
- test runner (deno test)
- linter (deno lint)

Script installer

Deno provides deno install to easily install and distribute executable code.

deno install [OPTIONS...] [URL] [SCRIPT_ARGS...] will install the script available at URL under the name EXE_NAME.

This command creates a thin, executable shell script which invokes deno

→ using the specified CLI flags and main module. It is placed in the installation root's bin directory.

Example:

To change the executable name, use -n/--name:

```
deno install --allow-net --allow-read -n serve https:// \hookrightarrow deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION/http/file_server.ts
```

The executable name is inferred by default:

- Attempt to take the file stem of the URL path. The above example would become 'file_server'.
- If the file stem is something generic like 'main', 'mod', 'index' or 'cli', and the path has no parent, take the file name of the parent path. Otherwise settle with the generic name.
- If the resulting name has an '@...' suffix, strip it.

To change the installation root, use --root:

```
deno install --allow-net --allow-read --root /usr/local \hookrightarrow https://deno.land/std@$STD_VERSION/http/file_server \hookrightarrow .ts
```

The installation root is determined, in order of precedence:

• --root option

- DENO_INSTALL_ROOT environment variable
- \$HOME/.deno

These must be added to the path manually if required.

```
echo 'export PATH="$HOME/.deno/bin:$PATH"' >> ~/.bashrc
```

You must specify permissions that will be used to run the script at installation time.

```
deno install --allow-net --allow-read https://deno.land/ \hookrightarrow std@$STD_VERSION/http/file_server.ts -p 8080
```

The above command creates an executable called file_server that runs with network and read permissions and binds to port 8080.

For good practice, use the import.meta.main idiom to specify the entry point in an executable script.

Example:

```
// https://example.com/awesome/cli.ts
async function myAwesomeCli(): Promise<void> {
    -- snip --
}

if (import.meta.main) {
    myAwesomeCli();
}
```

When you create an executable script make sure to let users know by adding an example installation command to your repository:

Code formatter

Deno ships with a built in code formatter that auto-formats TypeScript and JavaScript code.

Ignore formatting code by preceding it with a // deno-fmt-ignore comment:

```
// deno-fmt-ignore
export const identity = [
    1, 0, 0,
    0, 1, 0,
    0, 0, 1,
];
```

Or ignore an entire file by adding a // deno-fmt-ignore-file comment at the top of the file.

Bundling

deno bundle [URL] will output a single JavaScript file, which includes all dependencies of the specified input. For example:

If you omit the out file, the bundle will be sent to stdout.

The bundle can just be run as any other module in Deno would:

```
deno run colors.bundle.js
```

The output is a self contained ES Module, where any exports from the main module supplied on the command line will be available. For example, if the main module looked something like this:

```
export { foo } from "./foo.js";
export const bar = "bar";
```

It could be imported like this:

```
import { bar, foo } from "./lib.bundle.js";
```

Bundles can also be loaded in the web browser. The bundle is a self-contained ES module, and so the attribute of type must be set to " \hookrightarrow module". For example:

```
<script type="module" src="website.bundle.js"></script>
```

Or you could import it into another ES module to consume:

```
||<script type="module">
```

```
import * as website from "website.bundle.js";
</script>
```

Documentation Generator

deno doc followed by a list of one or more source files will print the JSDoc documentation for each of the module's **exported** members.

For example, given a file add.ts with the contents:

```
/**
 * Adds x and y.
 * Oparam {number} x
 * Oparam {number} y
 * Oreturns {number} Sum of x and y
 */
export function add(x: number, y: number): number {
  return x + y;
}
```

Running the Deno doc command, prints the function's JSDoc comment to stdout:

```
deno doc add.ts function add(x: number, y: number): number Adds x and y. Oparam {number} x Oparam {number} y \hookrightarrow Oreturns {number} Sum of x and y
```

Use the --json flag to output the documentation in JSON format. This JSON format is consumed by the deno doc website and is used to generate module documentation.

Dependency Inspector

```
deno info [URL] will inspect ES module and all of its dependencies.
deno info https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/http/file_server.
  \hookrightarrow ts
Download https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/http/file server.
  \hookrightarrow ts
local: /home/deno/.cache/deno/deps/https/deno.land/
  \hookrightarrow f57792e36f2dbf28b14a75e2372a479c6392780d4712d76698d503
type: TypeScript
compiled: /home/deno/.cache/deno/gen/https/deno.land/
  \hookrightarrow f57792e36f2dbf28b14a75e2372a479c6392780d4712d76698d503
  \hookrightarrow .js
deps: 23 unique (total 139.89KB)
https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/http/file_server.ts (10.49
  \hookrightarrow KB)
 https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/mod.ts (717B)
  https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/ constants.ts (2.35
    \hookrightarrow KB)
  https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/win32.ts (27.36KB)
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/_interface.ts (657B
     \hookrightarrow )
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/_constants.ts *
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/_util.ts (3.3KB)
    https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/_interface.ts *
    https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/_constants.ts *
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/_util/assert.ts (405B)
  https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/posix.ts (12.67KB)
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/_interface.ts *
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/_constants.ts *
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/ util.ts *
```

```
https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/common.ts (1.14KB)
  https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/separator.ts (264B)
    \hookrightarrow
    https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/ constants.ts *
https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/separator.ts *
https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/_interface.ts *
https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/glob.ts (8.12KB)
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/ constants.ts *
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/mod.ts *
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/path/separator.ts *
https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/http/server.ts (10.23KB)
https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/encoding/utf8.ts (433B)
 https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/io/bufio.ts (21.15KB)
  https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/bytes/mod.ts (4.34KB)
  https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/ util/assert.ts *
https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/ util/assert.ts *
https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/async/mod.ts (202B)
  https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/async/deferred.ts (1.03
    \hookrightarrow KB)
  https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/async/delay.ts (279B)
  https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/async/mux async iterator
    \hookrightarrow .ts (1.98KB)
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/async/deferred.ts *
  https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/async/pool.ts (1.58KB)
https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/http/ io.ts (11.25KB)
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/io/bufio.ts *
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/textproto/mod.ts (4.52
     \hookrightarrow KB)
    https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/io/bufio.ts *
    https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/bytes/mod.ts *
    https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/encoding/utf8.ts *
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/ util/assert.ts *
   https://deno.land/std@0.67.0/encoding/utf8.ts *
```

Dependency inspector works with any local or remote ES modules.

Cache location

deno info can be used to display information about cache location:

Linter

Deno ships with a built in code linter for JavaScript and TypeScript.

Note: linter is a new feature and still unstable thus it requires --unstable flag

```
# read from stdin
cat file.ts | deno lint --unstable -
```

For more detail, run deno lint --help.

Available rules

- adjacent-overload-signatures
- ban-ts-comment
- ban-types
- ban-untagged-ignore
- constructor-super
- for-direction
- getter-return
- no-array-constructor
- no-async-promise-executor
- no-case-declarations
- no-class-assign
- no-compare-neg-zero
- no-cond-assign
- no-constant-condition
- no-control-regex
- no-debugger
- no-delete-var
- no-dupe-args
- no-dupe-class-members
- no-dupe-else-if
- no-dupe-keys
- no-duplicate-case
- no-empty

- no-empty-character-class
- no-empty-interface
- no-empty-pattern
- no-ex-assign
- no-explicit-any
- no-extra-boolean-cast
- no-extra-non-null-assertion
- no-extra-semi
- no-fallthrough
- no-func-assign
- no-global-assign
- no-import-assign
- no-inferrable-types
- no-inner-declarations
- no-invalid-regexp
- no-irregular-whitespace
- no-misused-new
- no-mixed-spaces-and-tabs
- no-namespace
- no-new-symbol
- no-obj-calls
- no-octal
- no-prototype-builtins
- no-redeclare
- no-regex-spaces
- no-self-assign
- no-setter-return
- no-shadow-restricted-names
- no-this-alias

- no-this-before-super
- no-undef
- no-unreachable
- no-unsafe-finally
- no-unsafe-negation
- no-unused-labels
- no-with
- prefer-as-const
- prefer-namespace-keyword
- require-yield
- triple-slash-reference
- use-isnan
- valid-typeof

Ignore directives

Files To ignore whole file // deno-lint-ignore-file directive should placed at the top of the file:

```
// deno-lint-ignore-file
function foo(): any {
   // ...
}
```

Ignore directive must be placed before first stament or declaration:

```
// deno-lint-ignore-file
import { bar } from "./bar.js";
function foo(): any {
  // ...
You can also ignore certain diagnostics in the whole file
// deno-lint-ignore-file no-explicit-any no-empty
function foo(): any {
  // ...
Diagnostics To ignore certain diagnostic // deno-lint-ignore
             directive should be placed before offending line.
Specifying ignored rule name is required:
// deno-lint-ignore no-explicit-any
function foo(): any {
```

To provide some compatibility with ESLint deno lint also supports //

→ eslint-disable-next-line directive. Just like with // deno-lint-

 \hookrightarrow ignore, it's required to specify the ignored rule name:

Embedding Deno

Deno consists of multiple parts, one of which is deno_core. This is a rust crate that can be used to embed a JavaScript runtime into your rust application. Deno is built on top of deno_core.

The Deno crate is hosted on crates.io.

You can view the API on docs.rs.

Contributing

- Read the style guide.
- Please don't make the benchmarks worse.
- Ask for help in the community chat room.
- If you are going to work on an issue, mention so in the issue comments *before* you start working on the issue.

• Please be professional in the forums. We follow Rust's code of conduct (CoC). Have a problem? Email ry@tinyclouds.org.

Development

Instructions on how to build from source can be found here.

Submitting a Pull Request

Before submitting, please make sure the following is done:

- 1. That there is a related issue and it is referenced in the PR text.
- 2. There are tests that cover the changes.
- 3. Ensure cargo test passes.
- 4. Format your code with ./tools/format.py
- 5. Make sure ./tools/lint.py passes.

Changes to third_party

deno_third_party contains most of the external code that Deno depends on, so that we know exactly what we are executing at any given time. It is carefully maintained with a mixture of manual labor and private scripts. It's likely you will need help from @ry or @piscisaureus to make changes.

Adding Ops (aka bindings)

We are very concerned about making mistakes when adding new APIs. When adding an Op to Deno, the counterpart interfaces on other platforms should be researched. Please list how this functionality is done

in Go, Node, Rust, and Python.

As an example, see how Deno.rename() was proposed and added in PR #671.

Releases

Summary of the changes from previous releases can be found here.

Documenting APIs

It is important to document public APIs and we want to do that inline with the code. This helps ensure that code and documentation are tightly coupled together.

Utilize JSDoc

All publicly exposed APIs and types, both via the deno module as well as the global/window namespace should have JSDoc documentation. This documentation is parsed and available to the TypeScript compiler, and therefore easy to provide further downstream. JSDoc blocks come just prior to the statement they apply to and are denoted by a leading /** before terminating with a */. For example:

```
/** A simple JSDoc comment */
export const FOO = "foo";
```

Find more at https://jsdoc.app/

Building from source

Below are instructions on how to build Deno from source. If you just want to use Deno you can download a prebuilt executable (more information in the Getting Started chapter).

Cloning the Repository

Clone on Linux or Mac:

```
git clone --recurse-submodules https://github.com/ \hookrightarrow denoland/deno.git
```

Extra steps for Windows users:

- 1. Enable "Developer Mode" (otherwise symlinks would require administrator privileges).
- 2. Make sure you are using git version 2.19.2.windows.1 or newer.
- 3. Set core.symlinks=true before the checkout:

```
git config --global core.symlinks true
git clone --recurse-submodules https://github.com/

→ denoland/deno.git
```

Prerequisites

Deno requires the progressively latest stable release of Rust. Deno does not support the Rust nightlies.

Update or Install Rust. Check that Rust installed/updated correctly:

```
rustc -V
cargo -V
```

Setup rust targets and components

```
rustup target add wasm32-unknown-unknown
rustup target add wasm32-wasi
```

Building Deno

The easiest way to build Deno is by using a precompiled version of V8: ||cargo build -vv

However if you want to build Deno and V8 from source code:

```
||V8_FROM_SOURCE=1 cargo build -vv
```

When building V8 from source, there are more dependencies:

Python 2. Ensure that a suffix-less python/python.exe exists in your PATH and it refers to Python 2, not 3.

For Linux users glib-2.0 development files must also be installed. (On Ubuntu, run apt install libglib2.0-dev.)

Mac users must have Command Line Tools installed. (XCode already includes CLT. Run xcode-select --install to install it without XCode.)

For Windows users:

- 1. Get VS Community 2019 with "Desktop development with C++" toolkit and make sure to select the following required tools listed below along with all C++ tools.
 - Visual C++ tools for CMake
 - Windows 10 SDK (10.0.17763.0)
 - Testing tools core features Build Tools
 - Visual C++ ATL for x86 and x64

- Visual C++ MFC for x86 and x64
- C++/CLI support
- VC++2015.3 v14.00 (v140) toolset for desktop
- 2. Enable "Debugging Tools for Windows". Go to "Control Panel"

 → "Programs" → "Programs and Features" → Select "Windows Software Development Kit Windows 10" → "Change"

 → "Change" → Check "Debugging Tools For Windows" →

 "Change" → "Finish". Or use: Debugging Tools for Windows (Notice: it will download the files, you should install X64 Debuggers And Tools-x64_en-us.msi file manually.)

See rusty v8's README for more details about the V8 build.

Building

Build:

Build with Cargo:

cargo build -vv

```
# Build errors? Ensure you have latest master and try \hookrightarrow building again, or if that doesn't work try: cargo clean && cargo build -vv
```

Run:

./target/debug/deno run cli/tests/002_hello.ts

Testing and Tools

Tests

Test deno:

```
# Run the whole suite:
cargo test
# Only test cli/js/:
cargo test js_unit_tests
Test std/:
cargo test std_tests
Lint and format
Lint the code:
./tools/lint.py
Format the code:
./tools/format.py
Profiling
To start profiling:
# Make sure we're only building release.
# Build deno and V8's d8.
ninja -C target/release d8
# Start the program we want to benchmark with --prof
 ./target/release/deno run tests/http_bench.ts --allow-
  \hookrightarrow net --v8-flags=--prof &
# Exercise it.
third_party/wrk/linux/wrk http://localhost:4500/
```

kill `pgrep deno`

V8 will write a file in the current directory that looks like this: isolate

→ -0x7fad98242400-v8.log. To examine this file:

```
D8_PATH=target/release/ ./third_party/v8/tools/linux- \hookrightarrow tick-processor isolate-0x7fad98242400-v8.log > prof.log # on macOS, use ./third_party/v8/tools/mac-tick- \hookrightarrow processor instead
```

prof.log will contain information about tick distribution of different calls.

To view the log with Web UI, generate JSON file of the log:

```
D8_PATH=target/release/ ./third_party/v8/tools/linux- \hookrightarrow tick-processor isolate-0x7fad98242400-v8.log --preprocess > prof.json
```

Open third_party/v8/tools/profview/index.html in your browser, and select prof.json to view the distribution graphically.

Useful V8 flags during profiling:

- -prof
- -log-internal-timer-events
- -log-timer-events
- -track-gc
- -log-source-code
- -track-gc-object-stats

To learn more about d8 and profiling, check out the following links:

- https://v8.dev/docs/d8
- https://v8.dev/docs/profile

Debugging with LLDB

To debug the deno binary, we can use rust-lldb. It should come with rustc and is a wrapper around LLDB.

```
$ rust-lldb -- ./target/debug/deno run --allow-net tests
 \hookrightarrow /http bench.ts
 On macOS, you might get warnings like
# `ImportError: cannot import name _remove_dead_weakref`
 In that case, use system python by setting PATH, e.g.
# PATH=/System/Library/Frameworks/Python.framework/
 (11db) command script import "/Users/kevinqian/.rustup/

    toolchains/1.36.0-x86_64-apple-darwin/lib/rustlib/

 ⇔ etc/lldb_rust_formatters.py"
(11db) type summary add --no-value --python-function
 → lldb_rust_formatters.print_val -x ".*" --category
 \hookrightarrow Rust
(11db) type category enable Rust
(lldb) target create "../deno/target/debug/deno"
Current executable set to '../deno/target/debug/deno' (
 \hookrightarrow x86 64).
(lldb) settings set -- target.run-args
                                        "tests/
 → http_bench.ts" "--allow-net"
(lldb) b op start
(lldb) r
```

V8 flags

V8 has many many internal command-line flags:

```
$ deno run --v8-flags=--help _ SSE3=1 SSSE3=1 SSE4_1=1 SSE4_2=1 SAHF=1 AVX=1 FMA3=1 
 \hookrightarrow BMI1=1 BMI2=1 LZCNT=1 POPCNT=1 ATOM=0 
 Synopsis:
```

```
shell [options] [--shell] [<file>...]
  d8 [options] [-e <string>] [--shell] [[--module] <file
    \hookrightarrow >...]
  -е
             execute a string in V8
  --shell run an interactive JavaScript shell
  --module execute a file as a JavaScript module
Note: the --module option is implicitly enabled for *.
 \hookrightarrow mjs files.
The following syntax for options is accepted (both '-'
  \hookrightarrow and '--' are ok):
  --flag
                 (bool flags only)
  --no-flag (bool flags only)
  --flag=value (non-bool flags only, no spaces around
   \hookrightarrow '=')
  --flag value (non-bool flags only)
                  (captures all remaining args in
   \hookrightarrow JavaScript)
Options:
  --use-strict (enforce strict mode)
        type: bool default: false
  --es-staging (enable test-worthy harmony features (for
        internal use only))
    \hookrightarrow
        type: bool default: false
  --harmony (enable all completed harmony features)
        type: bool default: false
  --harmony-shipping (enable all shipped harmony
    \hookrightarrow features)
        type: bool default: true
```

```
--harmony-regexp-sequence (enable "RegExp Unicode
 \hookrightarrow sequence properties" (in progress))
      type: bool default: false
--harmony-weak-refs-with-cleanup-some (enable "harmony
 \hookrightarrow weak references with FinalizationRegistry.
 → prototype.cleanupSome" (in progress))
      type: bool default: false
--harmony-regexp-match-indices (enable "harmony regexp
     match indices" (in progress))
      type: bool default: false
--harmony-top-level-await (enable "harmony top level
 \hookrightarrow await")
      type: bool default: false
--harmony-namespace-exports (enable "harmony namespace
 \hookrightarrow exports (export * as foo from 'bar')")
      type: bool default: true
--harmony-sharedarraybuffer (enable "harmony
 ⇔ sharedarraybuffer")
      type: bool default: true
--harmony-import-meta (enable "harmony import.meta
 \hookrightarrow property")
      type: bool default: true
--harmony-dynamic-import (enable "harmony dynamic
 → import")
      type: bool default: true
--harmony-promise-all-settled (enable "harmony Promise
 \hookrightarrow .allSettled")
      type: bool default: true
--harmony-promise-any (enable "harmony Promise.any")
      type: bool default: true
--harmony-private-methods (enable "harmony private

    methods in class literals")

      type: bool default: true
```

```
--harmony-weak-refs (enable "harmony weak references")
      type: bool default: true
--harmony-string-replaceall (enable "harmony String.
  → prototype.replaceAll")
      type: bool default: true
--harmony-logical-assignment (enable "harmony logical
  \hookrightarrow assignment")
      type: bool default: true
--lite-mode (enables trade-off of performance for
  \hookrightarrow memory savings)
      type: bool default: false
--future (Implies all staged features that we want to
  \hookrightarrow ship in the not-too-far future)
      type: bool default: false
--assert-types (generate runtime type assertions to
 \hookrightarrow test the typer)
      type: bool default: false
--allocation-site-pretenuring (pretenure with
 \hookrightarrow allocation sites)
      type: bool default: true
--page-promotion (promote pages based on utilization)
      type: bool
                  default: true
--always-promote-young-mc (always promote young

    ⇔ objects during mark-compact)

      type: bool default: true
--page-promotion-threshold (min percentage of live
  \hookrightarrow bytes on a page to enable fast evacuation)
      type: int default: 70
--trace-pretenuring (trace pretenuring decisions of

→ HAllocate instructions)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-pretenuring-statistics (trace allocation site
 \hookrightarrow pretenuring statistics)
```

```
type: bool default: false
--track-fields (track fields with only smi values)
      type: bool default: true
--track-double-fields (track fields with double values
 \hookrightarrow )
      type: bool default: true
--track-heap-object-fields (track fields with heap
 \hookrightarrow values)
      type: bool default: true
--track-computed-fields (track computed boilerplate
  \hookrightarrow fields)
      type: bool default: true
--track-field-types (track field types)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-block-coverage (trace collected block coverage
  \hookrightarrow information)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-protector-invalidation (trace protector cell
 \hookrightarrow invalidations)
      type: bool default: false
--feedback-normalization (feed back normalization to
  \hookrightarrow constructors)
      type: bool default: false
--enable-one-shot-optimization (Enable size
  \hookrightarrow optimizations for the code that will only be
  \hookrightarrow executed once)
      type: bool default: false
--unbox-double-arrays (automatically unbox arrays of
 \hookrightarrow doubles)
      type: bool default: true
--interrupt-budget (interrupt budget which should be
  \hookrightarrow used for the profiler counter)
      type: int default: 147456
```

```
--jitless (Disable runtime allocation of executable
  \hookrightarrow memory.)
      type: bool default: false
--use-ic (use inline caching)
      type: bool default: true
--budget-for-feedback-vector-allocation (The budget in
  \hookrightarrow amount of bytecode executed by a function before
  \hookrightarrow we decide to allocate feedback vectors)
                 default: 1024
      type: int
--lazy-feedback-allocation (Allocate feedback vectors
  \hookrightarrow lazily)
      type: bool default: true
--ignition-elide-noneffectful-bytecodes (elide

→ bytecodes which won't have any external effect)

      type: bool default: true
--ignition-reo (use ignition register equivalence
  \hookrightarrow optimizer)
      type: bool default: true
--ignition-filter-expression-positions (filter
  \hookrightarrow expression positions before the bytecode pipeline
  \hookrightarrow )
      type: bool
                    default: true
--ignition-share-named-property-feedback (share
  \hookrightarrow feedback slots when loading the same named
  \hookrightarrow property from the same object)
      type: bool default: true
--print-bytecode (print bytecode generated by ignition
      interpreter)
  \hookrightarrow
      type: bool default: false
--enable-lazy-source-positions (skip generating source
  \hookrightarrow positions during initial compile but regenerate
  \hookrightarrow when actually required)
      type: bool default: true
```

```
--stress-lazy-source-positions (collect lazy source
 \hookrightarrow positions immediately after lazy compile)
      type: bool default: false
--print-bytecode-filter (filter for selecting which
  \hookrightarrow functions to print bytecode)
      type: string default: *
--trace-ignition-codegen (trace the codegen of
  \hookrightarrow ignition interpreter bytecode handlers)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-ignition-dispatches (traces the dispatches to
  \hookrightarrow bytecode handlers by the ignition interpreter)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-ignition-dispatches-output-file (the file to
  \hookrightarrow which the bytecode handler dispatch table is
  \hookrightarrow written (by default, the table is not written to
  \hookrightarrow a file))
      type: string default: nullptr
--fast-math (faster (but maybe less accurate) math
 \hookrightarrow functions)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-track-allocation-sites (trace the tracking of
 \hookrightarrow allocation sites)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-migration (trace object migration)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-generalization (trace map generalization)
      type: bool default: false
--turboprop (enable experimental turboprop mid-tier
 \hookrightarrow compiler.)
      type: bool default: false
--concurrent-recompilation (optimizing hot functions
  \hookrightarrow asynchronously on a separate thread)
      type: bool default: true
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--trace-concurrent-recompilation (track concurrent
 \hookrightarrow recompilation)
      type: bool default: false
--concurrent-recompilation-queue-length (the length of
    the concurrent compilation queue)
      type: int default: 8
--concurrent-recompilation-delay (artificial
 \hookrightarrow compilation delay in ms)
      type: int default: 0
--block-concurrent-recompilation (block queued jobs
  \hookrightarrow until released)
      type: bool default: false
--concurrent-inlining (run optimizing compiler's
  \hookrightarrow inlining phase on a separate thread)
      type: bool default: false
--max-serializer-nesting (maximum levels for nesting
  \hookrightarrow child serializers)
      type: int default: 25
--trace-heap-broker-verbose (trace the heap broker
 \hookrightarrow verbosely (all reports))
      type: bool default: false
--trace-heap-broker-memory (trace the heap broker
 \hookrightarrow memory (refs analysis and zone numbers))
      type: bool default: false
--trace-heap-broker (trace the heap broker (reports on
     missing data only))
  \hookrightarrow
      type: bool default: false
--stress-runs (number of stress runs)
      type: int default: 0
--deopt-every-n-times (deoptimize every n times a
  \hookrightarrow deopt point is passed)
      type: int default: 0
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--print-deopt-stress (print number of possible deopt
 \hookrightarrow points)
      type: bool default: false
--opt (use adaptive optimizations)
      type: bool default: true
--turbo-sp-frame-access (use stack pointer-relative
  \hookrightarrow access to frame wherever possible)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-control-flow-aware-allocation (consider
  \hookrightarrow control flow while allocating registers)
      type: bool default: true
--turbo-filter (optimization filter for TurboFan
 \hookrightarrow compiler)
      type: string default: *
--trace-turbo (trace generated TurboFan IR)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-turbo-path (directory to dump generated
 \hookrightarrow TurboFan IR to)
      type: string default: nullptr
--trace-turbo-filter (filter for tracing turbofan
 \hookrightarrow compilation)
      type: string default: *
--trace-turbo-graph (trace generated TurboFan graphs)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-turbo-scheduled (trace TurboFan IR with
 \hookrightarrow schedule)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-turbo-cfg-file (trace turbo cfg graph (for C1
 \hookrightarrow visualizer) to a given file name)
      type: string default: nullptr
--trace-turbo-types (trace TurboFan's types)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-turbo-scheduler (trace TurboFan's scheduler)
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type: bool default: false
--trace-turbo-reduction (trace TurboFan's various
 \hookrightarrow reducers)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-turbo-trimming (trace TurboFan's graph trimmer
 \hookrightarrow )
      type: bool default: false
--trace-turbo-jt (trace TurboFan's jump threading)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-turbo-ceq (trace TurboFan's control
 \hookrightarrow equivalence)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-turbo-loop (trace TurboFan's loop
 \hookrightarrow optimizations)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-turbo-alloc (trace TurboFan's register
 \hookrightarrow allocator)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-all-uses (trace all use positions)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-representation (trace representation types)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-verify (verify TurboFan graphs at each phase)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-verify-machine-graph (verify TurboFan machine
 \hookrightarrow graph before instruction selection)
      type: string default: nullptr
--trace-verify-csa (trace code stubs verification)
      type: bool default: false
--csa-trap-on-node (trigger break point when a node
 \hookrightarrow with given id is created in given stub. The
 → format is: StubName, NodeId)
      type: string default: nullptr
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--turbo-stats (print TurboFan statistics)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-stats-nvp (print TurboFan statistics in

    machine-readable format)

      type: bool default: false
--turbo-stats-wasm (print TurboFan statistics of wasm
  \hookrightarrow compilations)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-splitting (split nodes during scheduling in
  \hookrightarrow TurboFan)
      type: bool default: true
--function-context-specialization (enable function
  \hookrightarrow context specialization in TurboFan)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-inlining (enable inlining in TurboFan)
      type: bool default: true
--max-inlined-bytecode-size (maximum size of bytecode
  \hookrightarrow for a single inlining)
      type: int default: 500
--max-inlined-bytecode-size-cumulative (maximum
  \hookrightarrow cumulative size of bytecode considered for
  \hookrightarrow inlining)
      type: int default: 1000
--max-inlined-bytecode-size-absolute (maximum
  \hookrightarrow cumulative size of bytecode considered for
  \hookrightarrow inlining)
      type: int default: 5000
--reserve-inline-budget-scale-factor (maximum
  \hookrightarrow cumulative size of bytecode considered for
  \hookrightarrow inlining)
      type: float default: 1.2
--max-inlined-bytecode-size-small (maximum size of
  \hookrightarrow bytecode considered for small function inlining)
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type: int default: 30
--max-optimized-bytecode-size (maximum bytecode size
  \hookrightarrow to be considered for optimization; too high
  \hookrightarrow values may cause the compiler to hit (release)
  \hookrightarrow assertions)
      type: int default: 61440
--min-inlining-frequency (minimum frequency for
 \hookrightarrow inlining)
      type: float default: 0.15
--polymorphic-inlining (polymorphic inlining)
      type: bool default: true
--stress-inline (set high thresholds for inlining to
  \hookrightarrow inline as much as possible)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-turbo-inlining (trace TurboFan inlining)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-inline-array-builtins (inline array builtins
  \hookrightarrow in TurboFan code)
      type: bool default: true
--use-osr (use on-stack replacement)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-osr (trace on-stack replacement)
      type: bool default: false
--analyze-environment-liveness (analyze liveness of
  \hookrightarrow environment slots and zap dead values)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-environment-liveness (trace liveness of local
 \hookrightarrow variable slots)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-load-elimination (enable load elimination in
  \hookrightarrow TurboFan)
      type: bool default: true
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--trace-turbo-load-elimination (trace TurboFan load
  \hookrightarrow elimination)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-profiling (enable basic block profiling in
 \hookrightarrow TurboFan)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-profiling-verbose (enable basic block
 \hookrightarrow profiling in TurboFan, and include each function'
  \hookrightarrow s schedule and disassembly in the output)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-verify-allocation (verify register allocation
  \hookrightarrow in TurboFan)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-move-optimization (optimize gap moves in
 \hookrightarrow TurboFan)
      type: bool default: true
--turbo-jt (enable jump threading in TurboFan)
      type: bool default: true
--turbo-loop-peeling (Turbofan loop peeling)
      type: bool default: true
--turbo-loop-variable (Turbofan loop variable
 \hookrightarrow optimization)
      type: bool default: true
--turbo-loop-rotation (Turbofan loop rotation)
                   default: true
      type: bool
--turbo-cf-optimization (optimize control flow in
 \hookrightarrow TurboFan)
      type: bool default: true
--turbo-escape (enable escape analysis)
      type: bool default: true
--turbo-allocation-folding (Turbofan allocation
 \hookrightarrow folding)
      type: bool default: true
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--turbo-instruction-scheduling (enable instruction
  \hookrightarrow scheduling in TurboFan)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-stress-instruction-scheduling (randomly
  \hookrightarrow schedule instructions to stress dependency
  \hookrightarrow tracking)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-store-elimination (enable store-store
  \hookrightarrow elimination in TurboFan)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-store-elimination (trace store elimination)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-rewrite-far-jumps (rewrite far to near jumps (
  \hookrightarrow ia32,x64))
      type: bool default: true
--stress-gc-during-compilation (simulate GC/compiler
  \hookrightarrow thread race related to https://crbug.com/v8/8520)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-fast-api-calls (enable fast API calls from
  \hookrightarrow TurboFan)
      type: bool default: false
--reuse-opt-code-count (don't discard optimized code
  \hookrightarrow for the specified number of deopts.)
      type: int default: 0
--turbo-nci (enable experimental native context
  \hookrightarrow independent code.)
      type: bool default: false
--turbo-nci-as-highest-tier (replace default TF with
  \hookrightarrow NCI code as the highest tier for testing purposes
  \hookrightarrow .)
      type: bool default: false
--print-nci-code (print native context independent
  \hookrightarrow code.)
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type: bool default: false --trace-turbo-nci (trace native context independent \hookrightarrow code.) type: bool default: false --turbo-collect-feedback-in-generic-lowering (enable \hookrightarrow experimental feedback collection in generic \hookrightarrow lowering.) type: bool default: false --optimize-for-size (Enables optimizations which favor memory size over execution speed) type: bool default: false --untrusted-code-mitigations (Enable mitigations for \hookrightarrow executing untrusted code) type: bool default: false --expose-wasm (expose wasm interface to JavaScript) type: bool default: true --assume-asmjs-origin (force wasm decoder to assume → input is internal asm-wasm format) type: bool default: false --wasm-num-compilation-tasks (maximum number of \hookrightarrow parallel compilation tasks for wasm) type: int default: 128 --wasm-write-protect-code-memory (write protect code \hookrightarrow memory on the wasm native heap) type: bool default: false --wasm-async-compilation (enable actual asynchronous \hookrightarrow compilation for WebAssembly.compile) type: bool default: true --wasm-test-streaming (use streaming compilation \hookrightarrow instead of async compilation for tests) type: bool default: false --wasm-max-mem-pages (maximum initial number of 64KiB \hookrightarrow memory pages of a wasm instance)

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type: uint default: 32767
--wasm-max-mem-pages-growth (maximum number of 64KiB
 \hookrightarrow pages a Wasm memory can grow to)
      type: uint default: 65536
--wasm-max-table-size (maximum table size of a wasm
  \hookrightarrow instance)
      type: uint default: 10000000
--wasm-max-code-space (maximum committed code space
  \hookrightarrow for wasm (in MB))
      type: uint default: 1024
--wasm-tier-up (enable tier up to the optimizing
  \hookrightarrow compiler (requires --liftoff to have an effect))
      type: bool default: true
--trace-wasm-ast-start (start function for wasm AST
 \hookrightarrow trace (inclusive))
      type: int default: 0
--trace-wasm-ast-end (end function for wasm AST trace
 \hookrightarrow (exclusive))
      type: int default: 0
--liftoff (enable Liftoff, the baseline compiler for
 \hookrightarrow WebAssembly)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-wasm-memory (print all memory updates
  \hookrightarrow performed in wasm code)
                   default: false
      type: bool
--wasm-tier-mask-for-testing (bitmask of functions to
 \hookrightarrow compile with TurboFan instead of Liftoff)
      type: int default: 0
--wasm-expose-debug-eval (Expose wasm evaluator
 \hookrightarrow support on the CDP)
      type: bool default: false
--validate-asm (validate asm.js modules before
 \hookrightarrow compiling)
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type: bool default: true
--suppress-asm-messages (don't emit asm.js related
  \hookrightarrow messages (for golden file testing))
      type: bool default: false
--trace-asm-time (log asm.js timing info to the
  \hookrightarrow console)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-asm-scanner (log tokens encountered by asm.js
  \hookrightarrow scanner)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-asm-parser (verbose logging of asm.js parse
  \hookrightarrow failures)
      type: bool default: false
--stress-validate-asm (try to validate everything as
  \hookrightarrow asm.js)
      type: bool default: false
--dump-wasm-module-path (directory to dump wasm
  \hookrightarrow modules to)
      type: string default: nullptr
--experimental-wasm-eh (enable prototype exception
  \hookrightarrow handling opcodes for wasm)
      type: bool
                   default: false
--experimental-wasm-simd (enable prototype SIMD
  \hookrightarrow opcodes for wasm)
      type: bool default: false
--experimental-wasm-return-call (enable prototype
  \hookrightarrow return call opcodes for wasm)
      type: bool default: false
--experimental-wasm-compilation-hints (enable
  \hookrightarrow prototype compilation hints section for wasm)
      type: bool default: false
--experimental-wasm-gc (enable prototype garbage
  \hookrightarrow collection for wasm)
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type: bool default: false
--experimental-wasm-typed-funcref (enable prototype
 \hookrightarrow typed function references for wasm)
      type: bool default: false
--experimental-wasm-reftypes (enable prototype
 \hookrightarrow reference type opcodes for wasm)
      type: bool default: false
--experimental-wasm-threads (enable prototype thread
  \hookrightarrow opcodes for wasm)
      type: bool default: false
--experimental-wasm-type-reflection (enable prototype
  \hookrightarrow wasm type reflection in JS for wasm)
      type: bool default: false
--experimental-wasm-bigint (enable prototype JS BigInt
 \hookrightarrow support for wasm)
      type: bool default: true
--experimental-wasm-bulk-memory (enable prototype bulk
  \hookrightarrow memory opcodes for wasm)
      type: bool default: true
--experimental-wasm-mv (enable prototype multi-value
 \hookrightarrow support for wasm)
      type: bool default: true
--wasm-staging (enable staged wasm features)
      type: bool default: false
--wasm-opt (enable wasm optimization)
      type: bool default: false
--wasm-bounds-checks (enable bounds checks (disable
 \hookrightarrow for performance testing only))
      type: bool default: true
--wasm-stack-checks (enable stack checks (disable for
  \hookrightarrow performance testing only))
      type: bool default: true
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--wasm-math-intrinsics (intrinsify some Math imports
  \hookrightarrow into wasm)
      type: bool default: true
--wasm-trap-handler (use signal handlers to catch out
  \hookrightarrow of bounds memory access in wasm (currently Linux
  \hookrightarrow x86 64 only))
      type: bool default: true
--wasm-fuzzer-gen-test (generate a test case when
  type: bool default: false
--print-wasm-code (Print WebAssembly code)
      type: bool default: false
--print-wasm-stub-code (Print WebAssembly stub code)
      type: bool default: false
--asm-wasm-lazy-compilation (enable lazy compilation
 \hookrightarrow for asm-wasm modules)
      type: bool default: false
--wasm-lazy-compilation (enable lazy compilation for
 \hookrightarrow all wasm modules)
      type: bool default: false
--wasm-lazy-validation (enable lazy validation for
  \hookrightarrow lazily compiled wasm functions)
      type: bool default: false
--wasm-atomics-on-non-shared-memory (allow atomic
  \hookrightarrow operations on non-shared WebAssembly memory)
      type: bool default: true
--wasm-grow-shared-memory (allow growing shared
 \hookrightarrow WebAssembly memory objects)
      type: bool default: true
--wasm-simd-post-mvp (allow experimental SIMD
  \hookrightarrow operations for prototyping that are not included
  \hookrightarrow in the current proposal)
      type: bool default: false
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--wasm-code-gc (enable garbage collection of wasm code
 \hookrightarrow )
       type: bool default: true
--trace-wasm-code-gc (trace garbage collection of wasm
 \hookrightarrow code)
      type: bool default: false
--stress-wasm-code-gc (stress test garbage collection
 \hookrightarrow of wasm code)
       type: bool default: false
--wasm-max-initial-code-space-reservation (maximum
  \hookrightarrow size of the initial wasm code space reservation (
  \hookrightarrow in MB))
       type: int default: 0
--frame-count (number of stack frames inspected by the
 \hookrightarrow profiler)
      type: int default: 1
--stress-sampling-allocation-profiler (Enables
  \hookrightarrow sampling allocation profiler with X as a sample
  \hookrightarrow interval)
      type: int default: 0
--lazy-new-space-shrinking (Enables the lazy new space
  \hookrightarrow shrinking strategy)
       type: bool default: false
--min-semi-space-size (min size of a semi-space (in
  \hookrightarrow MBytes), the new space consists of two semi-
  \hookrightarrow spaces)
      type: size t default: 0
--max-semi-space-size (max size of a semi-space (in
  \hookrightarrow MBytes), the new space consists of two semi-
  \hookrightarrow spaces)
       type: size t default: 0
--semi-space-growth-factor (factor by which to grow
 \hookrightarrow the new space)
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type: int default: 2
--max-old-space-size (max size of the old space (in
 \hookrightarrow Mbytes))
      type: size t default: 0
--max-heap-size (max size of the heap (in Mbytes) both

→ max_semi_space_size and max_old_space_size take

  \hookrightarrow precedence. All three flags cannot be specified
  \hookrightarrow at the same time.)
      type: size t default: 0
--initial-heap-size (initial size of the heap (in
  \hookrightarrow Mbytes))
      type: size_t default: 0
--huge-max-old-generation-size (Increase max size of
  \hookrightarrow the old space to 4 GB for x64 systems withthe
  \hookrightarrow physical memory bigger than 16 GB)
      type: bool default: true
--initial-old-space-size (initial old space size (in
 \hookrightarrow Mbytes))
      type: size_t default: 0
--global-gc-scheduling (enable GC scheduling based on
 \hookrightarrow global memory)
      type: bool default: true
--gc-global (always perform global GCs)
      type: bool default: false
--random-gc-interval (Collect garbage after random(0,
 \hookrightarrow X) allocations. It overrides gc_interval.)
      type: int default: 0
--gc-interval (garbage collect after <n> allocations)
      type: int default: -1
--retain-maps-for-n-gc (keeps maps alive for <n> old
  \hookrightarrow space garbage collections)
      type: int default: 2
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--trace-gc (print one trace line following each
  \hookrightarrow garbage collection)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-gc-nvp (print one detailed trace line in name=
  \hookrightarrow value format after each garbage collection)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-gc-ignore-scavenger (do not print trace line
  \hookrightarrow after scavenger collection)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-idle-notification (print one trace line
  \hookrightarrow following each idle notification)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-idle-notification-verbose (prints the heap
  \hookrightarrow state used by the idle notification)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-gc-verbose (print more details following each
  \hookrightarrow garbage collection)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-gc-freelists (prints details of each freelist
  \hookrightarrow before and after each major garbage collection)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-gc-freelists-verbose (prints details of
  \hookrightarrow freelists of each page before and after each
  \hookrightarrow major garbage collection)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-evacuation-candidates (Show statistics about
  \hookrightarrow the pages evacuation by the compaction)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-allocations-origins (Show statistics about the
  \hookrightarrow origins of allocations. Combine with --no-inline
  \hookrightarrow -new to track allocations from generated code)
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type: bool default: false

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--trace-allocation-stack-interval (print stack trace
  type: int default: -1
--trace-duplicate-threshold-kb (print duplicate
  \hookrightarrow objects in the heap if their size is more than
  \hookrightarrow given threshold)
      type: int default: 0
--trace-fragmentation (report fragmentation for old
  \hookrightarrow space)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-fragmentation-verbose (report fragmentation
  \hookrightarrow for old space (detailed))
      type: bool default: false
--minor-mc-trace-fragmentation (trace fragmentation
 \hookrightarrow after marking)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-evacuation (report evacuation statistics)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-mutator-utilization (print mutator utilization
 \hookrightarrow , allocation speed, gc speed)
      type: bool
                  default: false
--incremental-marking (use incremental marking)
      type: bool
                  default: true
--incremental-marking-wrappers (use incremental
  \hookrightarrow marking for marking wrappers)
      type: bool default: true
--incremental-marking-task (use tasks for incremental
 \hookrightarrow marking)
      type: bool default: true
--incremental-marking-soft-trigger (threshold for
  \hookrightarrow starting incremental marking via a task in
  \hookrightarrow percent of available space: limit - size)
      type: int default: 0
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--incremental-marking-hard-trigger (threshold for
  \hookrightarrow starting incremental marking immediately in
  \hookrightarrow percent of available space: limit - size)
      type: int default: 0
--trace-unmapper (Trace the unmapping)
      type: bool default: false
--parallel-scavenge (parallel scavenge)
      type: bool default: true
--scavenge-task (schedule scavenge tasks)
      type: bool default: true
--scavenge-task-trigger (scavenge task trigger in
  \hookrightarrow percent of the current heap limit)
      type: int default: 80
--scavenge-separate-stack-scanning (use a separate
 \hookrightarrow phase for stack scanning in scavenge)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-parallel-scavenge (trace parallel scavenge)
      type: bool default: false
--write-protect-code-memory (write protect code memory
 \hookrightarrow )
      type: bool default: true
--concurrent-marking (use concurrent marking)
      type: bool default: true
--concurrent-array-buffer-sweeping (concurrently sweep
  \hookrightarrow array buffers)
      type: bool default: true
--concurrent-allocation (concurrently allocate in old
 \hookrightarrow space)
      type: bool default: false
--local-heaps (allow heap access from background tasks
  \hookrightarrow )
      type: bool default: false
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--stress-concurrent-allocation (start background
 \hookrightarrow threads that allocate memory)
      type: bool default: false
--parallel-marking (use parallel marking in atomic
  \hookrightarrow pause)
      type: bool default: true
--ephemeron-fixpoint-iterations (number of fixpoint
 \hookrightarrow iterations it takes to switch to linear ephemeron
  \hookrightarrow algorithm)
      type: int
                 default: 10
--trace-concurrent-marking (trace concurrent marking)
      type: bool default: false
--concurrent-store-buffer (use concurrent store buffer
 \hookrightarrow processing)
      type: bool default: true
--concurrent-sweeping (use concurrent sweeping)
      type: bool default: true
--parallel-compaction (use parallel compaction)
      type: bool default: true
--parallel-pointer-update (use parallel pointer update
  \hookrightarrow during compaction)
      type: bool default: true
--detect-ineffective-gcs-near-heap-limit (trigger out-
  \hookrightarrow of-memory failure to avoid GC storm near heap
 \hookrightarrow limit)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-incremental-marking (trace progress of the
 \hookrightarrow incremental marking)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-stress-marking (trace stress marking progress)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-stress-scavenge (trace stress scavenge
 \hookrightarrow progress)
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type: bool default: false
--track-gc-object-stats (track object counts and
 \hookrightarrow memory usage)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-gc-object-stats (trace object counts and
 \hookrightarrow memory usage)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-zone-stats (trace zone memory usage)
      type: bool default: false
--zone-stats-tolerance (report a tick only when
 \hookrightarrow allocated zone memory changes by this amount)
      type: size_t default: 1048576
--track-retaining-path (enable support for tracking
 \hookrightarrow retaining path)
      type: bool default: false
--concurrent-array-buffer-freeing (free array buffer
 \hookrightarrow allocations on a background thread)
      type: bool default: true
--gc-stats (Used by tracing internally to enable gc
  \hookrightarrow statistics)
      type: int default: 0
--track-detached-contexts (track native contexts that
 \hookrightarrow are expected to be garbage collected)
      type: bool
                  default: true
--trace-detached-contexts (trace native contexts that
 \hookrightarrow are expected to be garbage collected)
      type: bool default: false
--move-object-start (enable moving of object starts)
      type: bool default: true
--memory-reducer (use memory reducer)
      type: bool default: true
--memory-reducer-for-small-heaps (use memory reducer
 \hookrightarrow for small heaps)
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type: bool default: true
--heap-growing-percent (specifies heap growing factor
 \hookrightarrow as (1 + heap_growing_percent/100))
      type: int default: 0
--v8-os-page-size (override OS page size (in KBytes))
      type: int default: 0
--always-compact (Perform compaction on every full GC)
      type: bool default: false
--never-compact (Never perform compaction on full GC -
  \hookrightarrow testing only)
      type: bool default: false
--compact-code-space (Compact code space on full
 \hookrightarrow collections)
      type: bool default: true
--flush-bytecode (flush of bytecode when it has not
 \hookrightarrow been executed recently)
      type: bool default: true
--stress-flush-bytecode (stress bytecode flushing)
      type: bool default: false
--use-marking-progress-bar (Use a progress bar to scan
      large objects in increments when incremental
 \hookrightarrow marking is active.)
      type: bool default: true
--stress-per-context-marking-worklist (Use per-context
  \hookrightarrow worklist for marking)
      type: bool default: false
--force-marking-deque-overflows (force overflows of
 \hookrightarrow marking deque by reducing it's size to 64 words)
      type: bool default: false
--stress-compaction (stress the GC compactor to flush

→ out bugs (implies --force_marking_deque_overflows)

  \hookrightarrow ))
      type: bool default: false
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- --stress-compaction-random (Stress GC compaction by \hookrightarrow selecting random percent of pages as evacuation \hookrightarrow candidates. It overrides stress compaction.) type: bool default: false --stress-incremental-marking (force incremental \hookrightarrow marking for small heaps and run it more often) type: bool default: false --fuzzer-gc-analysis (prints number of allocations and \hookrightarrow enables analysis mode for gc fuzz testing, e.g. \hookrightarrow --stress-marking, --stress-scavenge) type: bool default: false --stress-marking (force marking at random points \hookrightarrow between 0 and X (inclusive) percent of the type: int default: 0 --stress-scavenge (force scavenge at random points \hookrightarrow between 0 and X (inclusive) percent of the new \hookrightarrow space capacity) type: int default: 0 --gc-experiment-background-schedule (new background GC \hookrightarrow schedule heuristics) type: bool default: false --gc-experiment-less-compaction (less compaction in → non-memory reducing mode) type: bool default: false --disable-abortjs (disables AbortJS runtime function) type: bool default: false
- --randomize-all-allocations (randomize virtual memory
- \hookrightarrow reservations by ignoring any hints passed when
 - \hookrightarrow allocating pages)

type: bool default: false

--manual-evacuation-candidates-selection (Test mode \hookrightarrow only flag. It allows an unit test to select

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\hookrightarrow evacuation candidates pages (requires --
  \hookrightarrow stress compaction).)
       type: bool default: false
--fast-promotion-new-space (fast promote new space on
  \hookrightarrow high survival rates)
       type: bool default: false
--clear-free-memory (initialize free memory with 0)
       type: bool default: false
--young-generation-large-objects (allocates large
  \hookrightarrow objects by default in the young generation large
  \hookrightarrow object space)
      type: bool default: true
--debug-code (generate extra code (assertions) for
  \hookrightarrow debugging)
      type: bool default: false
--code-comments (emit comments in code disassembly;
  \hookrightarrow for more readable source positions you should add
  \hookrightarrow --no-concurrent recompilation)
      type: bool default: false
--enable-sse3 (enable use of SSE3 instructions if
  \hookrightarrow available)
       type: bool default: true
--enable-ssse3 (enable use of SSSE3 instructions if
  \hookrightarrow available)
       type: bool default: true
--enable-sse4-1 (enable use of SSE4.1 instructions if
  \hookrightarrow available)
       type: bool default: true
--enable-sse4-2 (enable use of SSE4.2 instructions if
  \hookrightarrow available)
       type: bool default: true
--enable-sahf (enable use of SAHF instruction if
  \hookrightarrow available (X64 only))
```

type: bool default: true --enable-avx (enable use of AVX instructions if \hookrightarrow available) type: bool default: true --enable-fma3 (enable use of FMA3 instructions if \hookrightarrow available) type: bool default: true --enable-bmi1 (enable use of BMI1 instructions if ⇔ available) type: bool default: true --enable-bmi2 (enable use of BMI2 instructions if \hookrightarrow available) type: bool default: true --enable-lzcnt (enable use of LZCNT instruction if \hookrightarrow available) type: bool default: true --enable-popent (enable use of POPCNT instruction if \hookrightarrow available) type: bool default: true --arm-arch (generate instructions for the selected ARM \hookrightarrow architecture if available: armv6, armv7, armv7+ \hookrightarrow sudiv or armv8) type: string default: armv8 --force-long-branches (force all emitted branches to \hookrightarrow be in long mode (MIPS/PPC only)) type: bool default: false --mcpu (enable optimization for specific cpu) type: string default: auto --partial-constant-pool (enable use of partial \hookrightarrow constant pools (X64 only)) type: bool default: true --sim-arm64-optional-features (enable optional \hookrightarrow features on the simulator for testing: none or

```
\hookrightarrow all)
      type: string default: none
--enable-source-at-csa-bind (Include source
 \hookrightarrow information in the binary at CSA bind locations.)
      type: bool default: false
--enable-armv7 (deprecated (use --arm_arch instead))
      type: maybe bool default: unset
--enable-vfp3 (deprecated (use --arm arch instead))
      type: maybe_bool default: unset
--enable-32dregs (deprecated (use --arm arch instead))
      type: maybe bool default: unset
--enable-neon (deprecated (use --arm arch instead))
      type: maybe bool default: unset
--enable-sudiv (deprecated (use --arm arch instead))
      type: maybe bool default: unset
--enable-armv8 (deprecated (use --arm_arch instead))
      type: maybe bool default: unset
--enable-regexp-unaligned-accesses (enable unaligned
 \hookrightarrow accesses for the regexp engine)
      type: bool default: true
--script-streaming (enable parsing on background)
      type: bool default: true
--stress-background-compile (stress test parsing on
 \hookrightarrow background)
      type: bool default: false
--finalize-streaming-on-background (perform the script
 \hookrightarrow streaming finalization on the background thread)
      type: bool default: false
--disable-old-api-accessors (Disable old-style API
 \hookrightarrow accessors whose setters trigger through the
 \hookrightarrow prototype chain)
      type: bool default: false
--expose-gc (expose gc extension)
```

```
type: bool default: false
--expose-gc-as (expose gc extension under the
 \hookrightarrow specified name)
      type: string default: nullptr
--expose-externalize-string (expose externalize string
 \hookrightarrow extension)
      type: bool default: false
--expose-trigger-failure (expose trigger-failure
  \hookrightarrow extension)
      type: bool default: false
--stack-trace-limit (number of stack frames to capture
      type: int default: 10
--builtins-in-stack-traces (show built-in functions in
  \hookrightarrow stack traces)
      type: bool default: false
--experimental-stack-trace-frames (enable experimental
  \hookrightarrow frames (API/Builtins) and stack trace layout)
      type: bool default: false
--disallow-code-generation-from-strings (disallow eval
  \hookrightarrow and friends)
      type: bool default: false
--expose-async-hooks (expose async_hooks object)
      type: bool default: false
--expose-cputracemark-as (expose cputracemark
  \hookrightarrow extension under the specified name)
      type: string default: nullptr
--allow-unsafe-function-constructor (allow invoking
 \hookrightarrow the function constructor without security checks)
      type: bool default: false
--force-slow-path (always take the slow path for
  \hookrightarrow builtins)
      type: bool default: false
```

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--test-small-max-function-context-stub-size (enable
 \hookrightarrow testing the function context size overflow path
 \hookrightarrow by making the maximum size smaller)
      type: bool default: false
--inline-new (use fast inline allocation)
      type: bool default: true
--trace (trace javascript function calls)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-wasm (trace wasm function calls)
      type: bool default: false
--lazy (use lazy compilation)
      type: bool default: true
--max-lazy (ignore eager compilation hints)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-opt (trace lazy optimization)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-opt-verbose (extra verbose compilation tracing
 \hookrightarrow )
      type: bool default: false
--trace-opt-stats (trace lazy optimization statistics)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-deopt (trace optimize function deoptimization)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-file-names (include file names in trace-opt/
 \hookrightarrow trace-deopt output)
      type: bool default: false
--always-opt (always try to optimize functions)
      type: bool default: false
--always-osr (always try to OSR functions)
      type: bool default: false
--prepare-always-opt (prepare for turning on always
 \hookrightarrow opt)
      type: bool default: false
```

```
--trace-serializer (print code serializer trace)
      type: bool default: false
--compilation-cache (enable compilation cache)
      type: bool default: true
--cache-prototype-transitions (cache prototype
 \hookrightarrow transitions)
      type: bool default: true
--parallel-compile-tasks (enable parallel compile
 \hookrightarrow tasks)
      type: bool default: false
--compiler-dispatcher (enable compiler dispatcher)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-compiler-dispatcher (trace compiler dispatcher
 \hookrightarrow activity)
      type: bool default: false
--cpu-profiler-sampling-interval (CPU profiler
 \hookrightarrow sampling interval in microseconds)
      type: int default: 1000
--trace-side-effect-free-debug-evaluate (print debug
 \hookrightarrow messages for side-effect-free debug-evaluate for
 \hookrightarrow testing)
      type: bool default: false
--hard-abort (abort by crashing)
                   default: true
      type: bool
--expose-inspector-scripts (expose injected-script-
 \hookrightarrow source.js for debugging)
      type: bool default: false
--stack-size (default size of stack region v8 is
 \hookrightarrow allowed to use (in kBytes))
      type: int default: 984
--max-stack-trace-source-length (maximum length of
 \hookrightarrow function source code printed in a stack trace.)
      type: int default: 300
```

```
--clear-exceptions-on-js-entry (clear pending
 \hookrightarrow exceptions when entering JavaScript)
      type: bool default: false
--histogram-interval (time interval in ms for
  \hookrightarrow aggregating memory histograms)
      type: int default: 600000
--heap-profiler-trace-objects (Dump heap object
  → allocations/movements/size updates)
      type: bool default: false
--heap-profiler-use-embedder-graph (Use the new
  \hookrightarrow EmbedderGraph API to get embedder nodes)
      type: bool default: true
--heap-snapshot-string-limit (truncate strings to this
  \hookrightarrow length in the heap snapshot)
      type: int default: 1024
--sampling-heap-profiler-suppress-randomness (Use
  \hookrightarrow constant sample intervals to eliminate test
  \hookrightarrow flakiness)
      type: bool default: false
--use-idle-notification (Use idle notification to
 \hookrightarrow reduce memory footprint.)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-ic (trace inline cache state transitions for
  \hookrightarrow tools/ic-processor)
      type: bool default: false
--modify-field-representation-inplace (enable in-place
      field representation updates)
  \hookrightarrow
      type: bool default: true
--max-polymorphic-map-count (maximum number of maps to
  type: int default: 4
--native-code-counters (generate extra code for
 \hookrightarrow manipulating stats counters)
```

```
type: bool default: false
--thin-strings (Enable ThinString support)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-prototype-users (Trace updates to prototype
 \hookrightarrow user tracking)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-for-in-enumerate (Trace for-in enumerate slow-
  \hookrightarrow paths)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-maps (trace map creation)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-maps-details (also log map details)
      type: bool default: true
--allow-natives-syntax (allow natives syntax)
      type: bool default: false
--allow-natives-for-differential-fuzzing (allow only
  \hookrightarrow natives explicitly allowlisted for differential
 \hookrightarrow fuzzers)
      type: bool default: false
--parse-only (only parse the sources)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-sim (Trace simulator execution)
      type: bool default: false
--debug-sim (Enable debugging the simulator)
      type: bool default: false
--check-icache (Check icache flushes in ARM and MIPS
  \hookrightarrow simulator)
      type: bool default: false
--stop-sim-at (Simulator stop after x number of
 \hookrightarrow instructions)
      type: int default: 0
--sim-stack-alignment (Stack alingment in bytes in
 \hookrightarrow simulator (4 or 8, 8 is default))
```

```
type: int default: 8
--sim-stack-size (Stack size of the ARM64, MIPS64 and
 \hookrightarrow PPC64 simulator in kBytes (default is 2 MB))
      type: int default: 2048
--log-colour (When logging, try to use coloured output
  \hookrightarrow .)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-sim-messages (Trace simulator debug messages.
  \hookrightarrow Implied by --trace-sim.)
      type: bool default: false
--async-stack-traces (include async stack traces in
  \hookrightarrow Error.stack)
      type: bool default: true
--stack-trace-on-illegal (print stack trace when an
 \hookrightarrow illegal exception is thrown)
      type: bool default: false
--abort-on-uncaught-exception (abort program (dump
  \hookrightarrow core) when an uncaught exception is thrown)
      type: bool default: false
--correctness-fuzzer-suppressions (Suppress certain
  \hookrightarrow unspecified behaviors to ease correctness fuzzing
  \hookrightarrow : Abort program when the stack overflows or a
  \hookrightarrow string exceeds maximum length (as opposed to
  \hookrightarrow throwing RangeError). Use a fixed suppression
  \hookrightarrow string for error messages.)
      type: bool default: false
--randomize-hashes (randomize hashes to avoid
  \hookrightarrow predictable hash collisions (with snapshots this
  \hookrightarrow option cannot override the baked-in seed))
      type: bool default: true
--rehash-snapshot (rehash strings from the snapshot to
  \hookrightarrow override the baked-in seed)
      type: bool default: true
```

```
--hash-seed (Fixed seed to use to hash property keys
  \hookrightarrow (0 means random)(with snapshots this option
  \hookrightarrow cannot override the baked-in seed))
      type: uint64 default: 0
--random-seed (Default seed for initializing random
  \hookrightarrow generator (0, the default, means to use system
  \hookrightarrow random).)
      type: int default: 0
--fuzzer-random-seed (Default seed for initializing
  \hookrightarrow fuzzer random generator (0, the default, means to
  \hookrightarrow use v8's random number generator seed).)
      type: int default: 0
--trace-rail (trace RAIL mode)
      type: bool default: false
--print-all-exceptions (print exception object and
  \hookrightarrow stack trace on each thrown exception)
      type: bool default: false
--detailed-error-stack-trace (includes arguments for
  \hookrightarrow each function call in the error stack frames
  \hookrightarrow array)
      type: bool default: false
--adjust-os-scheduling-parameters (adjust OS specific
  \hookrightarrow scheduling params for the isolate)
      type: bool default: true
--runtime-call-stats (report runtime call counts and
  \hookrightarrow times)
      type: bool default: false
--rcs (report runtime call counts and times)
      type: bool default: false
--rcs-cpu-time (report runtime times in cpu time (the
  \hookrightarrow default is wall time))
      type: bool default: false
```

```
--profile-deserialization (Print the time it takes to
  \hookrightarrow deserialize the snapshot.)
      type: bool default: false
--serialization-statistics (Collect statistics on
 \hookrightarrow serialized objects.)
      type: bool default: false
--serialization-chunk-size (Custom size for
  \hookrightarrow serialization chunks)
      type: uint default: 4096
--regexp-optimization (generate optimized regexp code)
      type: bool
                   default: true
--regexp-mode-modifiers (enable inline flags in regexp
  \hookrightarrow .)
      type: bool default: false
--regexp-interpret-all (interpret all regexp code)
      type: bool default: false
--regexp-tier-up (enable regexp interpreter and tier
  \hookrightarrow up to the compiler after the number of executions
  \hookrightarrow set by the tier up ticks flag)
      type: bool default: true
--regexp-tier-up-ticks (set the number of executions
  \hookrightarrow for the regexp interpreter before tiering-up to
  \hookrightarrow the compiler)
      type: int default: 1
--regexp-peephole-optimization (enable peephole
  \hookrightarrow optimization for regexp bytecode)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-regexp-peephole-optimization (trace regexp
 \hookrightarrow bytecode peephole optimization)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-regexp-bytecodes (trace regexp bytecode
  \hookrightarrow execution)
      type: bool default: false
```

```
--trace-regexp-assembler (trace regexp macro assembler
 \hookrightarrow calls.)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-regexp-parser (trace regexp parsing)
      type: bool default: false
--trace-regexp-tier-up (trace regexp tiering up
 \hookrightarrow execution)
      type: bool default: false
--testing-bool-flag (testing_bool_flag)
      type: bool default: true
--testing-maybe-bool-flag (testing maybe bool flag)
      type: maybe bool default: unset
--testing-int-flag (testing int flag)
      type: int default: 13
--testing-float-flag (float-flag)
      type: float default: 2.5
--testing-string-flag (string-flag)
      type: string default: Hello, world!
--testing-prng-seed (Seed used for threading test
 \hookrightarrow randomness)
      type: int default: 42
--testing-d8-test-runner (test runner turns on this
 \hookrightarrow flag to enable a check that the function was
  \hookrightarrow prepared for optimization before marking it for
  \hookrightarrow optimization)
      type: bool default: false
--fuzzing (Fuzzers use this flag to signal that they
 \hookrightarrow are ... fuzzing. This causes intrinsics to fail
  \hookrightarrow silently (e.g. return undefined) on invalid usage
  \hookrightarrow .)
      type: bool default: false
--embedded-src (Path for the generated embedded data
 \hookrightarrow file. (mksnapshot only))
```

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type: string default: nullptr
--embedded-variant (Label to disambiguate symbols in
 \hookrightarrow embedded data file. (mksnapshot only))
      type: string default: nullptr
--startup-src (Write V8 startup as C++ src. (
 \hookrightarrow mksnapshot only))
      type: string default: nullptr
--startup-blob (Write V8 startup blob file. (
 \hookrightarrow mksnapshot only))
      type: string default: nullptr
--target-arch (The mksnapshot target arch. (mksnapshot
  \hookrightarrow only))
      type: string default: nullptr
--target-os (The mksnapshot target os. (mksnapshot
 \hookrightarrow only))
      type: string default: nullptr
--target-is-simulator (Instruct mksnapshot that the
 \hookrightarrow target is meant to run in the simulator and it
  \hookrightarrow can generate simulator-specific instructions. (
  \hookrightarrow mksnapshot only))
      type: bool default: false
--minor-mc-parallel-marking (use parallel marking for
 \hookrightarrow the young generation)
      type: bool default: true
--trace-minor-mc-parallel-marking (trace parallel
 \hookrightarrow marking for the young generation)
      type: bool default: false
--minor-mc (perform young generation mark compact GCs)
      type: bool default: false
--help (Print usage message, including flags, on
 \hookrightarrow console)
      type: bool default: true
--dump-counters (Dump counters on exit)
```

```
type: bool default: false
--dump-counters-nvp (Dump counters as name-value pairs
 \hookrightarrow on exit)
      type: bool default: false
--use-external-strings (Use external strings for
 \hookrightarrow source code)
      type: bool default: false
--map-counters (Map counters to a file)
      type: string default:
--mock-arraybuffer-allocator (Use a mock ArrayBuffer
  \hookrightarrow allocator for testing.)
      type: bool default: false
--mock-arraybuffer-allocator-limit (Memory limit for
  \hookrightarrow mock ArrayBuffer allocator used to simulate OOM
  \hookrightarrow for testing.)
      type: size_t default: 0
--gdbjit (enable GDBJIT interface)
      type: bool default: false
--gdbjit-full (enable GDBJIT interface for all code
 \hookrightarrow objects)
      type: bool default: false
--gdbjit-dump (dump elf objects with debug info to
 \hookrightarrow disk)
      type: bool default: false
--gdbjit-dump-filter (dump only objects containing
 \hookrightarrow this substring)
      type: string default:
--log (Minimal logging (no API, code, GC, suspect, or
 \hookrightarrow handles samples).)
      type: bool default: false
--log-all (Log all events to the log file.)
      type: bool default: false
--log-api (Log API events to the log file.)
```

```
type: bool default: false
--log-code (Log code events to the log file without
 \hookrightarrow profiling.)
      type: bool default: false
--log-handles (Log global handle events.)
      type: bool default: false
--log-suspect (Log suspect operations.)
      type: bool default: false
--log-source-code (Log source code.)
      type: bool default: false
--log-function-events (Log function events (parse,
 \hookrightarrow compile, execute) separately.)
      type: bool default: false
--prof (Log statistical profiling information (implies
 \hookrightarrow --log-code).)
      type: bool default: false
--detailed-line-info (Always generate detailed line
 \hookrightarrow information for CPU profiling.)
      type: bool default: false
--prof-sampling-interval (Interval for --prof samples
 \hookrightarrow (in microseconds).)
      type: int default: 1000
--prof-cpp (Like --prof, but ignore generated code.)
      type: bool default: false
--prof-browser-mode (Used with --prof, turns on
 \hookrightarrow browser-compatible mode for profiling.)
      type: bool default: true
--logfile (Specify the name of the log file.)
      type: string default: v8.log
--logfile-per-isolate (Separate log files for each
 \hookrightarrow isolate.)
      type: bool default: true
--ll-prof (Enable low-level linux profiler.)
```

```
type: bool default: false
--gc-fake-mmap (Specify the name of the file for fake
 \hookrightarrow gc mmap used in ll_prof)
      type: string default: /tmp/__v8_gc__
--log-internal-timer-events (Time internal events.)
      type: bool default: false
--redirect-code-traces (output deopt information and
 \hookrightarrow disassembly into file code-<pid>-<isolate id>.asm
  \hookrightarrow )
      type: bool default: false
--redirect-code-traces-to (output deopt information
  \hookrightarrow and disassembly into the given file)
      type: string default: nullptr
--print-opt-source (print source code of optimized and
  \hookrightarrow inlined functions)
      type: bool default: false
--vtune-prof-annotate-wasm (Used when
 \hookrightarrow v8 enable vtunejit is enabled, load wasm source
  \hookrightarrow map and provide annotate support (experimental).)
      type: bool default: false
--win64-unwinding-info (Enable unwinding info for
 \hookrightarrow Windows/x64)
      type: bool default: true
--interpreted-frames-native-stack (Show interpreted
  \hookrightarrow frames on the native stack (useful for external
  \hookrightarrow profilers).)
      type: bool default: false
--predictable (enable predictable mode)
      type: bool default: false
--predictable-gc-schedule (Predictable garbage
  \hookrightarrow collection schedule. Fixes heap growing, idle,
  \hookrightarrow and memory reducing behavior.)
      type: bool default: false
```

Particularly useful ones:

```
--async-stack-trace
```

Continuous Benchmarks

See our benchmarks over here

The benchmark chart supposes https://github.com/denoland/benchmark pages/data.json has the type BenchmarkData[] where BenchmarkData is defined like the below:

```
interface ExecTimeData {
   mean: number;
   stddev: number;
   user: number;
   system: number;
   min: number;
   max: number;
}

interface BenchmarkData {
   created_at: string;
   sha1: string;
   benchmark: {
      [key: string]: ExecTimeData;
   };
```

```
binarySizeData: {
    [key: string]: number;
};
threadCountData: {
    [key: string]: number;
};
syscallCountData: {
    [key: string]: number;
};
}
```

Deno Style Guide

Copyright Headers

Most modules in the repository should have the following copyright header:

```
// Copyright 2018-2020 the Deno authors. All rights \hookrightarrow reserved. MIT license.
```

If the code originates elsewhere, ensure that the file has the proper copyright headers. We only allow MIT, BSD, and Apache licensed code.

Use underscores, not dashes in filenames.

Example: Use file_server.ts instead of file-server.ts.

Add tests for new features.

Each module should contain or be accompanied by tests for its public functionality.

TODO Comments

TODO comments should usually include an issue or the author's github username in parentheses. Example:

```
// TODO(ry): Add tests.
// TODO(#123): Support Windows.
// FIXME(#349): Sometimes panics.
```

Meta-programming is discouraged. Including the use of Proxy.

Be explicit even when it means more code.

There are some situations where it may make sense to use such techniques, but in the vast majority of cases it does not.

Inclusive code

Please follow the guidelines for inclusive code outlined at https://chromiur

Rust

Follow Rust conventions and be consistent with existing code.

TypeScript

The TypeScript portions of the codebase include cli/js for the built-ins and the standard library std.

Use TypeScript instead of JavaScript.

Use the term "module" instead of "library" or "package".

For clarity and consistency avoid the terms "library" and "package". Instead use "module" to refer to a single JS or TS file and also to refer to a directory of TS/JS code.

Do not use the filename index.ts/index.js.

Deno does not treat "index.js" or "index.ts" in a special way. By using these filenames, it suggests that they can be left out of the module specifier when they cannot. This is confusing.

If a directory of code needs a default entry point, use the filename mod \hookrightarrow .ts. The filename mod.ts follows Rust's convention, is shorter than index.ts, and doesn't come with any preconceived notions about how it might work.

Exported functions: max 2 args, put the rest into an options object.

When designing function interfaces, stick to the following rules.

- 1. A function that is part of the public API takes 0-2 required arguments, plus (if necessary) an options object (so max 3 total).
- 2. Optional parameters should generally go into the options object.

An optional parameter that's not in an options object might be acceptable if there is only one, and it seems inconceivable that we would add more optional parameters in the future.

3. The 'options' argument is the only argument that is a regular 'Object'.

Other arguments can be objects, but they must be distinguishable from a 'plain' Object runtime, by having either:

- a distinguishing prototype (e.g. Array, Map, Date, class \hookrightarrow MyThing).
- a well-known symbol property (e.g. an iterable with Symbol \hookrightarrow .iterator).

This allows the API to evolve in a backwards compatible way, even when the position of the options object changes.

```
): IPAddress[] {}
export interface Environment {
   [key: string]: string;
}
// BAD: `env` could be a regular Object and is therefore
 \hookrightarrow indistinguishable
// from an options object. (#3)
export function runShellWithEnv(cmdline: string, env:
  \hookrightarrow Environment): string {}
// GOOD.
export interface RunShellOptions {
  env: Environment;
export function runShellWithEnv(
   cmdline: string,
  options: RunShellOptions,
): string {}
// BAD: more than 3 arguments (#1), multiple optional
  \hookrightarrow parameters (#2).
export function renameSync(
  oldname: string,
  newname: string,
  replaceExisting?: boolean,
  followLinks?: boolean,
) {}
// GOOD.
interface RenameOptions {
  replaceExisting?: boolean;
   followLinks?: boolean;
```

```
export function renameSync(
  oldname: string,
  newname: string,
  options: RenameOptions = {},
  {}
// BAD: too many arguments. (#1)
export function pwrite(
  fd: number,
  buffer: TypedArray,
  offset: number,
  length: number,
  position: number,
 {}
// BETTER.
export interface PWrite {
  fd: number;
  buffer: TypedArray;
  offset: number;
  length: number;
  position: number;
export function pwrite(options: PWrite) {}
```

Minimize dependencies; do not make circular imports.

Although cli/js and std have no external dependencies, we must still be careful to keep internal dependencies simple and manageable. In particular, be careful not to introduce circular imports.

If a filename starts with an underscore: _foo.ts, do not link to it.

Sometimes there may be situations where an internal module is necessary but its API is not meant to be stable or linked to. In this case prefix it with an underscore. By convention, only files in its own directory should import it.

Use JSDoc for exported symbols.

We strive for complete documentation. Every exported symbol ideally should have a documentation line.

If possible, use a single line for the JSDoc. Example:

```
/** foo does bar. */
export function foo() {
   // ...
}
```

It is important that documentation is easily human readable, but there is also a need to provide additional styling information to ensure generated documentation is more rich text. Therefore JSDoc should generally follow markdown markup to enrich the text.

While markdown supports HTML tags, it is forbidden in JSDoc blocks.

Code string literals should be braced with the back-tick (') instead of quotes. For example:

```
/** Import something from the `deno` module. */
```

Do not document function arguments unless they are non-obvious of their intent (though if they are non-obvious intent, the API should be considered anyways). Therefore @param should generally not be used. If @param is used, it should not include the type as TypeScript is already strongly typed.

```
/**
 * Function with non obvious param.
 * @param foo Description of non obvious parameter.
 */
```

Vertical spacing should be minimized whenever possible. Therefore single line comments should be written as:

```
||/** This is a good single line JSDoc. */
```

And not:

```
/**
 * This is a bad single line JSDoc.
 */
```

Code examples should not utilise the triple-back tick ("') notation or tags. They should just be marked by indentation, which requires a break before the block and 6 additional spaces for each line of the example. This is 4 more than the first column of the comment. For example:

```
/** A straight forward comment and an example:
    *
        import { foo } from "deno";
        foo("bar");
        */
```

Code examples should not contain additional comments. It is already inside a comment. If it needs further comments it is not a good example.

Each module should come with a test module.

Every module with public functionality foo.ts should come with a test module foo_test.ts. A test for a cli/js module should go in cli/js/ \hookrightarrow tests due to their different contexts, otherwise it should just be a sibling to the tested module.

Unit Tests should be explicit.

For a better understanding of the tests, function should be correctly named as its prompted throughout the test command. Like:

```
test myTestFunction ... ok
```

Example of test:

Top level functions should not use arrow syntax.

Top level functions should use the function keyword. Arrow syntax should be limited to closures.

Bad:

```
export const foo = (): string => {
  return "bar";
};
```

Good: export function foo(): string { return "bar"; }

std

Do not depend on external code. https://deno.land/std/ is intended to be baseline functionality that all Deno programs can rely on. We want to guarantee to users that this code does not include potentially unreviewed third party code.

Document and maintain browser compatiblity. If a module is browser compatible, include the following in the JSDoc at the top of the module:

```
/** This module is browser compatible. */
```

Maintain browser compatibility for such a module by either not using the global **Deno** namespace or feature-testing for it. Make sure any new dependencies are also browser compatible.

Internal details

Deno and Linux analogy

Linux	Deno
Processes	Web Workers
Syscalls	Ops
File descriptors (fd)	Resource ids (rid)
Scheduler	Tokio
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Linux Deno

```
Userland: libc++ / glib / boost https://deno.land/std/
/proc/$$/stat Deno.metrics()
man pages deno types
```

Resources Resources (AKA rid) are Deno's version of file descriptors. They are integer values used to refer to open files, sockets, and other concepts. For testing it would be good to be able to query the system for how many open resources there are.

```
console.log(Deno.resources());
// { 0: "stdin", 1: "stdout", 2: "stderr" }
Deno.close(0);
console.log(Deno.resources());
// { 1: "stdout", 2: "stderr" }
```

Metrics Metrics is Deno's internal counter for various statistics.

> console.table(Deno.metrics())

(index)	Values
opsDispatched	9
opsCompleted	9
bytesSentControl	504
bytesSentData	0
bytesReceived	856

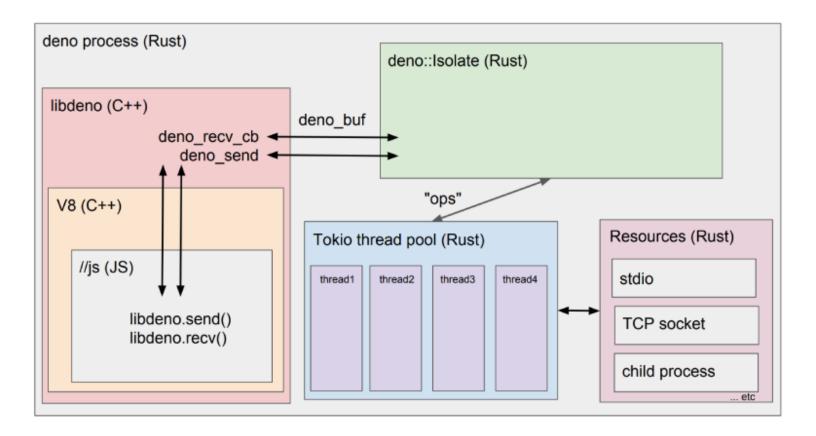


Figure 7: architectural schematic

Schematic diagram

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