



11. PERFORMANCE IN JAVASCRIPT

Caching

- Caching the scripts at the server side and in the browser
- Using Consistent URLs –In case things like code, script, css or images are used at different places, make sure to refer to the path correctly
- Content Delivery Network
 - Stores static assets to third-party server
 - Helps to avoid overloading and crashing of website.

ETAGS and Expiry Rules

- ETAG assigns a unique ID to every file
- Expiry rule states for how long a file will remain unchanged so that the site doesnot have to download it till that time.
- If you are not much familiar with the backend configurations then turn ETAGS off and set **explicitly expiry rules.**
- **.htaccess.txt**

Using Version Control for caching

- Cache Controller
 - Versioning your scripts, to control the caching

```
<link rel="stylesheet" href="css/style.css?v=1.001">  
<script src="js/good.js?v=1.001"></script>
```

- For frequently updated HTML files set the **ExpiresByType** to short interval, say 1 week.

.htaccess.txt

```
ExpiresByType text/html "access plus 1  
week"  
</IfModule>
```

Enabling No-cache

- Html meta-data include the following

```
<meta http-equiv="cache-control" content="no-cache" />
```

- Secure information should not be cached
- One day expiry for the html in **.htaccess.txt**

Minify our code

- Minification of your css and javascript code to load your files quickly
- <http://tools.w3clubs.com/cssmin/>

Variable scope

- Limit your variable scope within the local scope.
- Try not to create global scope variables
- Create local variables for references being used more often to avoid frequent call backs. Thus, we can drastically improve the performance.

Condensing var definitions

- Combining different variable definitions, within a function, together

```
var o2geek = com.o2GEEK;  
var clock = new o2geek.AlarmClock('clock');  
var clock2 = new o2geek.TextClock('clock2', -300, 'ETC');  
var clock2 = new o2geek.Clock('clock3', 300, 'X');
```



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Strict Equality Check

- Always perform **strict equality check** in your comparison
 “===”
 - Where ever possible!!!

Strings

- The most cost effective way to building strings is with Arrays.
- Google recommends to use arrays to concatenate or copy strings using arrays.

Avoiding **eval** for object references

- Analyze an **eval function**
- Use an **alternative to eval function**
- What is **eval function**
- Evaluate/Execute JavaScript code/expressions:

```
function evalfunction(){  
    var x=17,  
        y=22,  
        a = eval("x*y"),  
        b = eval("y-x"),  
        c= eval("y+x"),  
        d=eval("y/x");  
  
    console.log(a+b+c+d);  
};  
  
evalfunction()
```

Reducing Anonymous function

- It is a best practice to reduce / avoid the use of anonymous functions.
- Anonymous function is a function that is a standalone function, which may or may not be attached to a variable.
- Avoid creating functions/anonymous functions inside loops.

Best Practice

- Data validation and checks to be done at client thoroughly prior to sending them to the server.
 - Minimise the calls to the server
 - Move data processing to the client-side
 - What data types to use ?
 - JSON
 - XML
 - Web Services

It depends on the situation!

JSON – JavaScript Object Notation

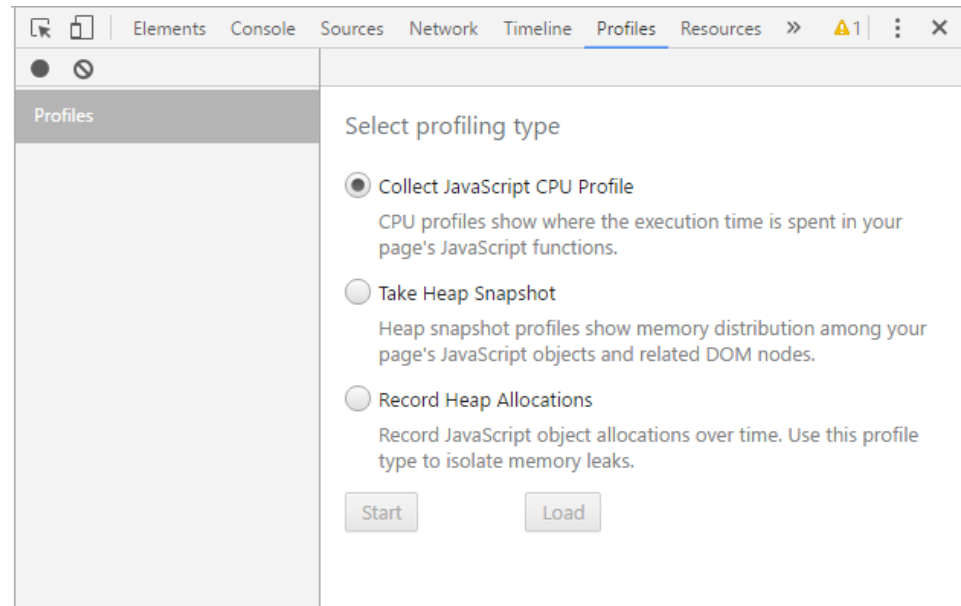
- **Simple and lightweight**
- **Consumes less memory**

Client-Server Communication

- While working with a client and server, some of the questions that are important to answer are:
 - How often do we need live data from our server
 - Do we want users to get this data instantly or after a particular time.
 - Can we create a local storage for this data for the user instead of communication between client and server to fetch the data every time?
 - What is the nature of security profile between the client and server?
 - Less the communication between client and server, the better the app performance.
 - Is session based storage required?

JavaScript Profiling

- What functions are taking most of the processing time?
- How do we monitor in real time?
- What is the total amount of allocation of resources?
- HEAP Snapshots - show memory distribution among your page's JavaScript Objects and related DOM nodes.
- Record Heap Allocations – record JavaScript Object allocations over time. Used to isolate memory leaks.



JavaScript CPU Profile

Elements Console Sources Network Timeline Profiles Resources Security Audits XHR JSON Panel									
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Profiles		Self		Total		Function			
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Profile 1		3124.7 ms 66.44 %		3124.7 ms 66.44 %		(program)			
		433.8 ms 9.22 %		433.8 ms 9.22 %		▶ (anonymous function)			
		130.2 ms 2.77 %		130.2 ms 2.77 %		▶ get pageXOffset			
		94.0 ms 2.00 %		99.4 ms 2.11 %		▶ f.extend.style			
		74.9 ms 1.59 %		74.9 ms 1.59 %		(garbage collector)			
		63.8 ms 1.36 %		63.8 ms 1.36 %		▶ setTimeout			
		43.2 ms 0.92 %		43.3 ms 0.92 %		▶ getBoundingClientRect			
		39.8 ms 0.85 %		39.8 ms 0.85 %		▶ querySelectorAll			
		36.4 ms 0.77 %		39.1 ms 0.83 %		▶ Z.extend.style			
		18.4 ms 0.39 %		18.4 ms 0.39 %		▶ matches			
		18.3 ms 0.39 %		54.6 ms 1.16 %		▶ t			
		14.3 ms 0.30 %		14.3 ms 0.30 %		▶ get pageYOffset			
		11.4 ms 0.24 %		11.4 ms 0.24 %		▶ getPropertyValue			
		11.2 ms 0.24 %		39.2 ms 0.83 %		▶ t.matchesSelector			
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		10.2 ms 0.22 %		16.6 ms 0.35 %		▶ Lc			
		9.2 ms 0.20 %		21.5 ms 0.46 %		▶ b.n.k			
		9.1 ms 0.19 %		133.9 ms 2.85 %		▶ f.fx.step			
		7.8 ms 0.17 %		125.7 ms 2.67 %		▶ b.xa.sode.b.xa.sode.zaxs			

HEAP SNAPSHOT

Elements

Console

Sources

Network

Timeline

Profiles

Resources

Security

Audits

XHR

JSON Panel

⚠ 1

Profiles

CPU PROFILES

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Profile 1

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Profile 2

HEAP SNAPSHOTS

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Snapshot 1

24.9 MB

Save

Summary

▼

Class filter

All objects

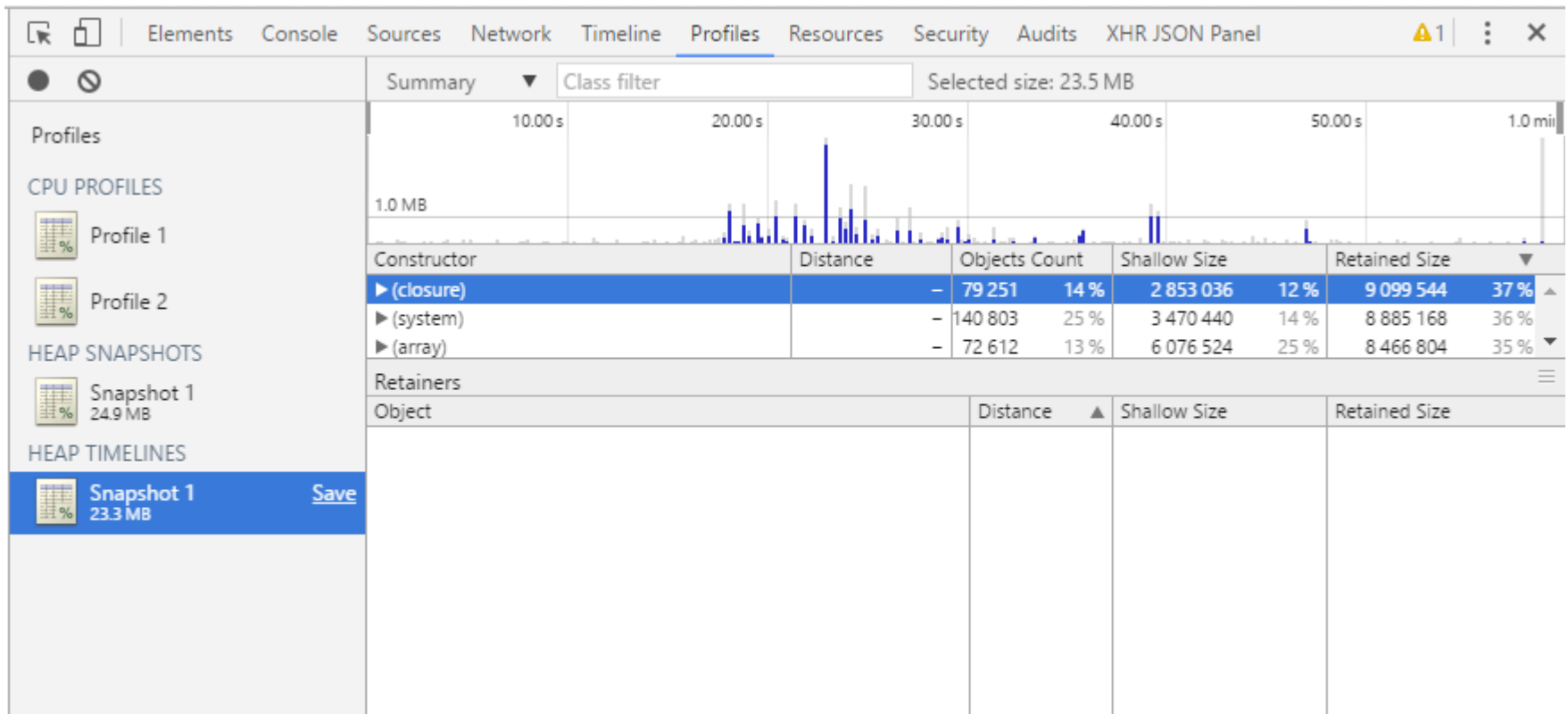
▼

Constructor	Distance	Objects Count	Shallow Size	Retained Size	▼
▶ (compiled code)	3	45 879 8 %	6 272 064 24 %	10 855 256 42 %	▲
▶ (array)	-	84 356 15 %	7 294 640 28 %	10 293 104 39 %	
▶ (system)	-	158 246 28 %	3 651 960 14 %	8 277 692 32 %	
▶ (closure)	-	69 888 13 %	2 515 968 10 %	8 213 256 32 %	
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▶ system / Context	3	6 647 1 %	314 840 1 %	2 581 568 10 %	
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▶ (string)	-	43 144 8 %	1 442 996 6 %	1 443 040 6 %	▼

Retainers

Object	Distance	▲	Shallow Size	Retained Size
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HEAP ALLOCATION TIMELINE



Perf.rocks

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Node plugins

A collection of Node plugins to help you optimize your website's performance.

All Node Grunt Gulp Broccoli

Big Rig

Big Rig is an experimental, proof-of-concept system for generating and parsing Chrome's trace files. It has a web app dashboard that will allow you to track performance statistics over

cssnano

A modular minifier, built on top of PostCSS. Does more than simple whitespace transforms: custom identifier reduction, z-index rebasing, adjacent selector merging and more.

perfschool

Find your way through the performance optimization maze in this NodeSchool workshopper

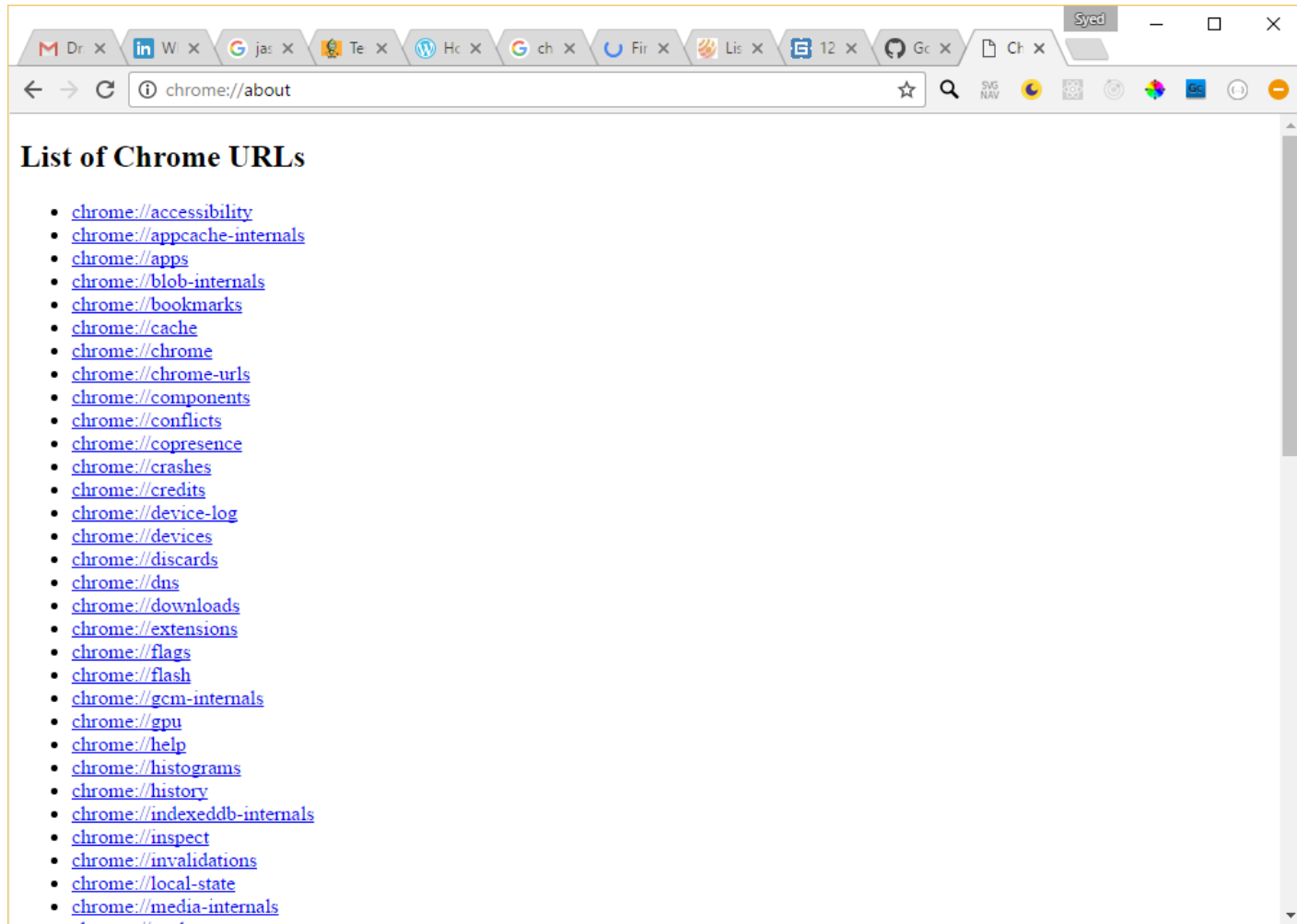
sharp

The fastest Node.js module for resizing JPEG, PNG, WebP and TIFF images. Uses the libvips library.

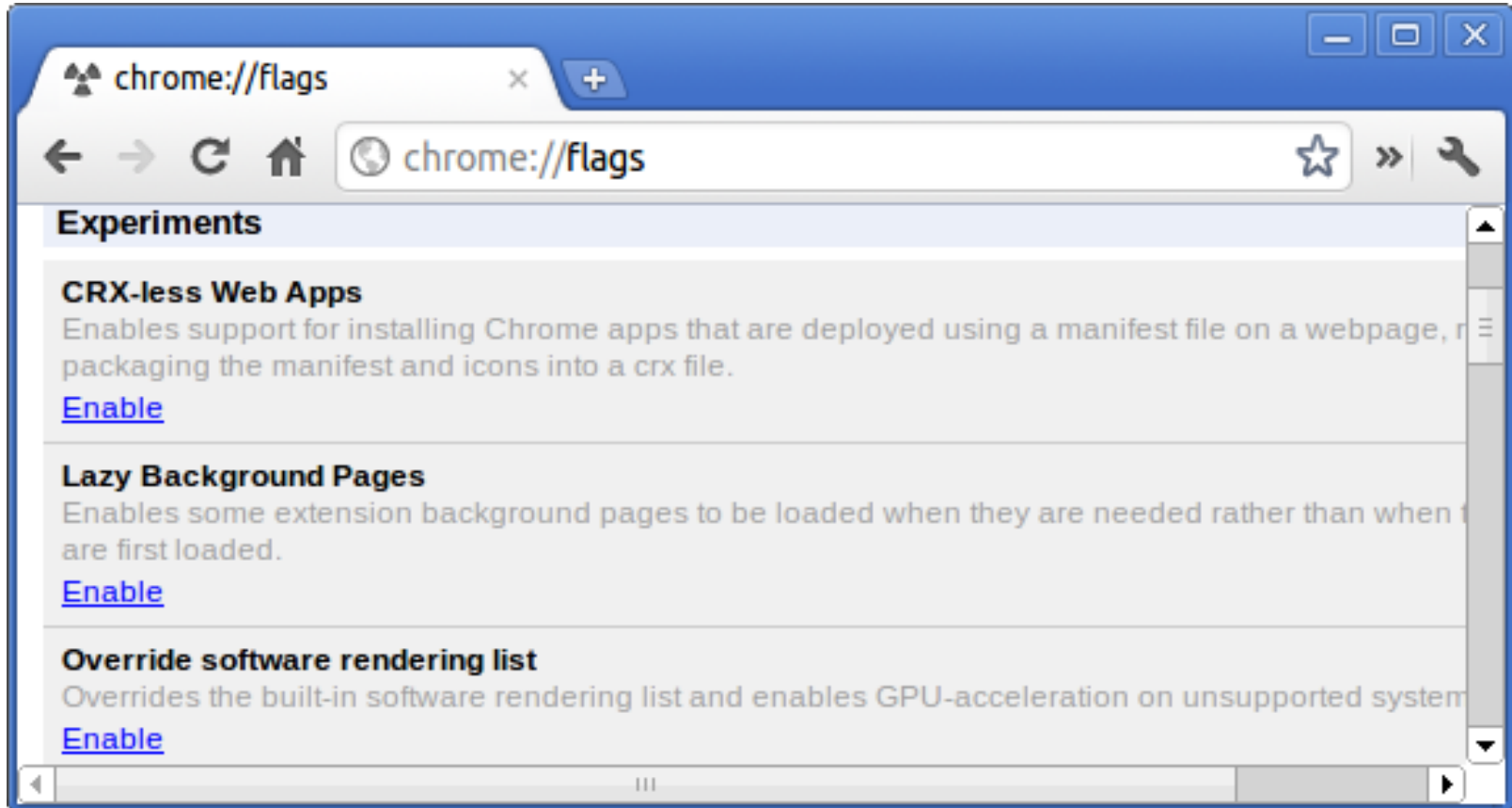
Activate Windows
Go to Settings to activate W

List of Chrome URLs

Chrome://about



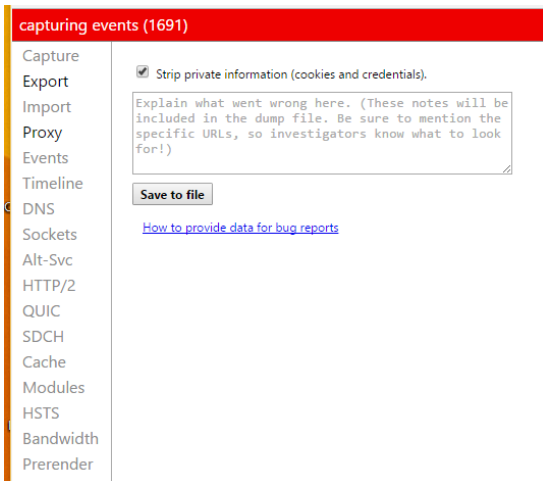
Chrome://flags



Chrome(Debug)

```
chrome://crash  
chrome://kill  
chrome://hang  
chrome://shorthang  
chrome://gpuclean  
chrome://gpucrash  
chrome://gpuhang
```

Chrome://net-internals



General Purpose

```
about:memory  
about:stats  
about:network  
about:histograms  
about:dns  
about:cache  
about:crash  
about:plugins  
about:version
```

Chrome://Sessions

Chrome://dns

<http://www.perf-tooling.today/tools>

<https://developers.google.com/web/tools/chrome-devtools/profile/rendering-tools/js-execution?hl=en>

<https://github.com/felixge/node-measured>

<https://github.com/mikejihbe/metrics>

<http://blog.3rd-edem.com/post/5809079469/theoretical-nodejs-real-time-performance>

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