

Chrome Developer Tools

WORKFLOW / DEBUGGING / PROFILING

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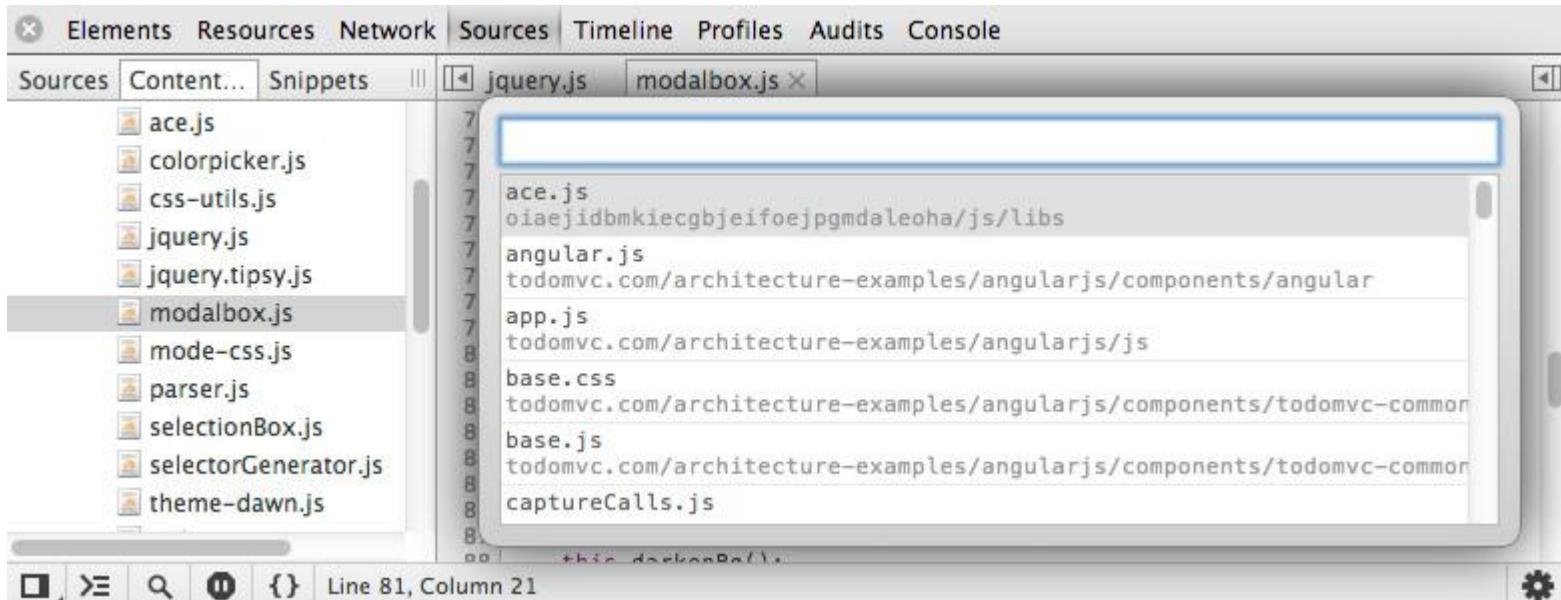
Overview

- Development workflow
- Elements panel
- Console
- Network
- Mobile (responsive) and remote debugging
- Debugging Javascript
- Performance & Profiling

Search. Navigate. Filter.

Filter For A Script, Stylesheet Or Snippet By Filename

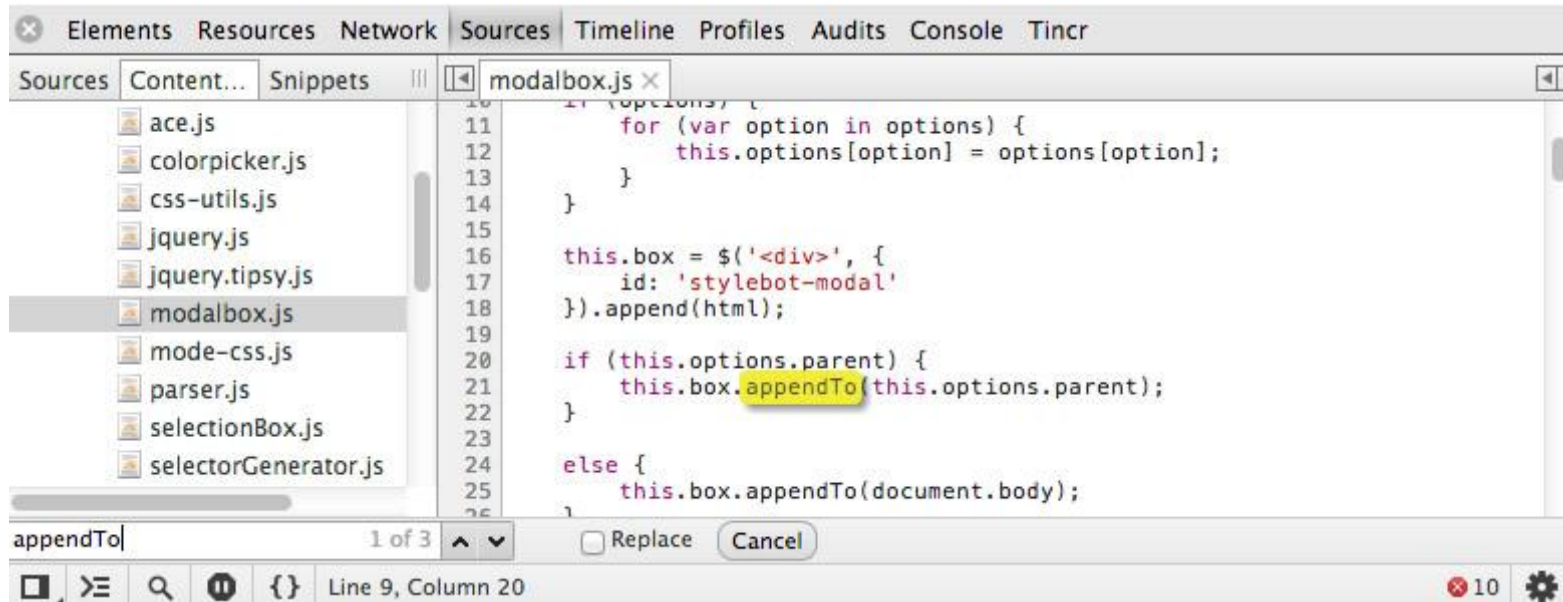
Ctrl + O (Cmd + O)



Text Search/Replace Within The Current File

Ctrl + F (Cmd + F)

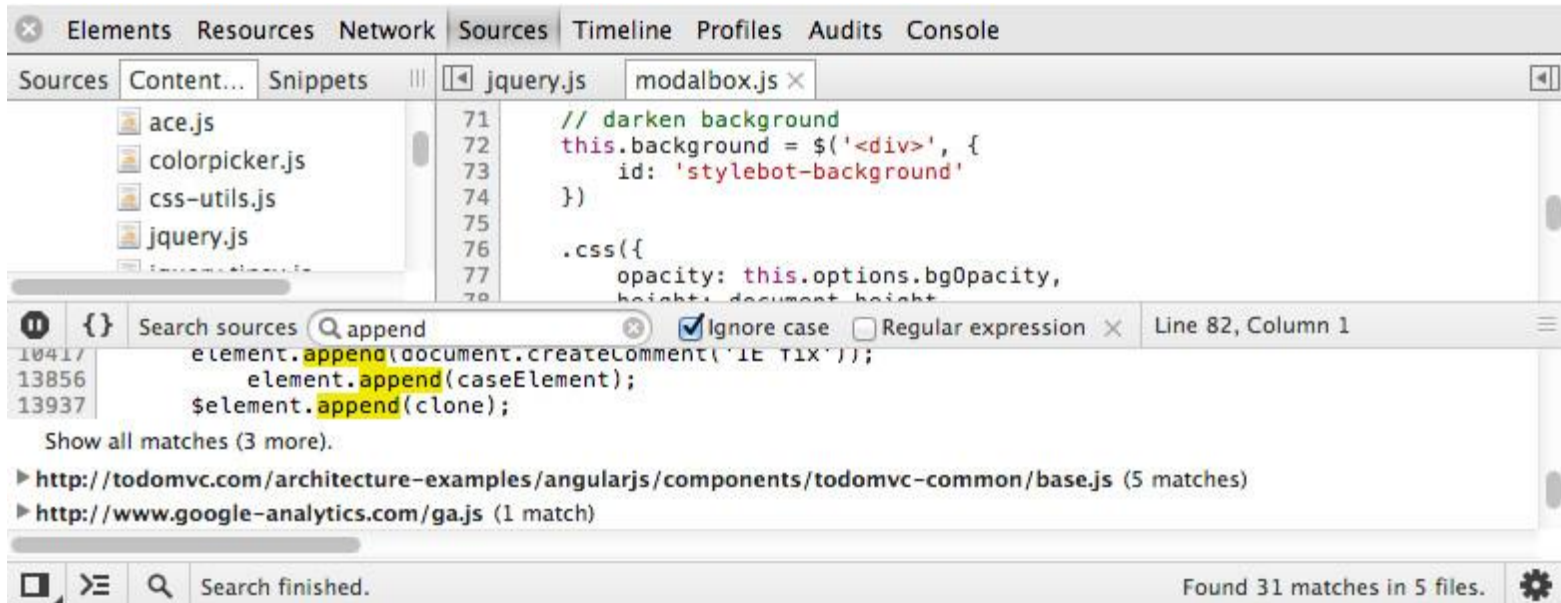
Enter to jump between matches



Search Across All Files

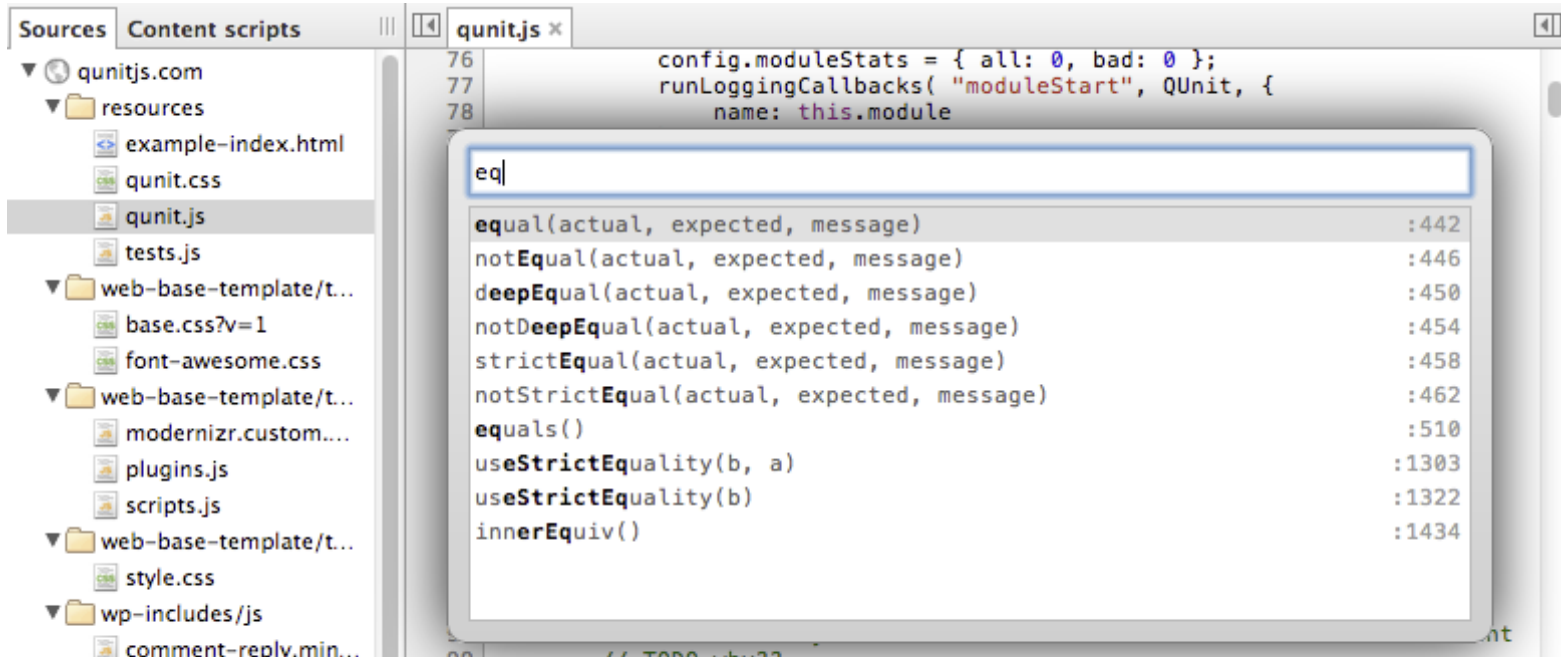
Ctrl + Shift + F (Cmd + Opt + F)

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Filter A Function Or Selector Within A File

Ctrl + Shift + O (Cmd + Shift + O)



Live Editing Scripts

1. Click the link to the script (e.g `<script src="app.js"></script>`) in the markup view of the Elements panel
 2. Or select the filename of the script from Sources sub-panel under Sources
- *Changes to scripts are only executed at evaluation time*
 - *Modifications to code that is not running after the page loads will not have an effect.*
 - *Changes to code executed at a later stage, such as mouseover handlers or click-event callbacks can be changed and tested on the fly.*

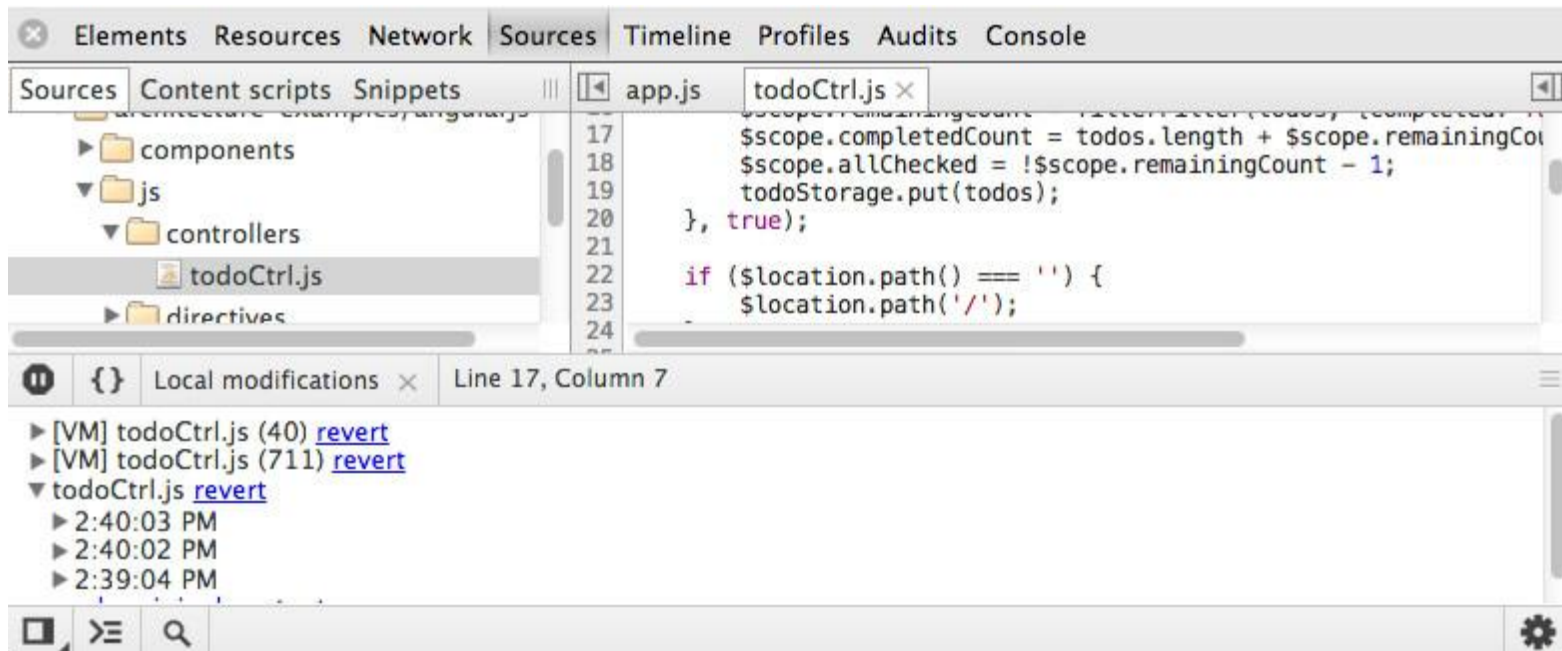
Live Editing Styles

- Instant updates in a browser window
- "element.style" = properties of the node the style attribute
- Rule origin and the line number
- Matched rules are colored black while others will be gray
- Up/Down (Shift Up/Down) on property value

Local Modifications

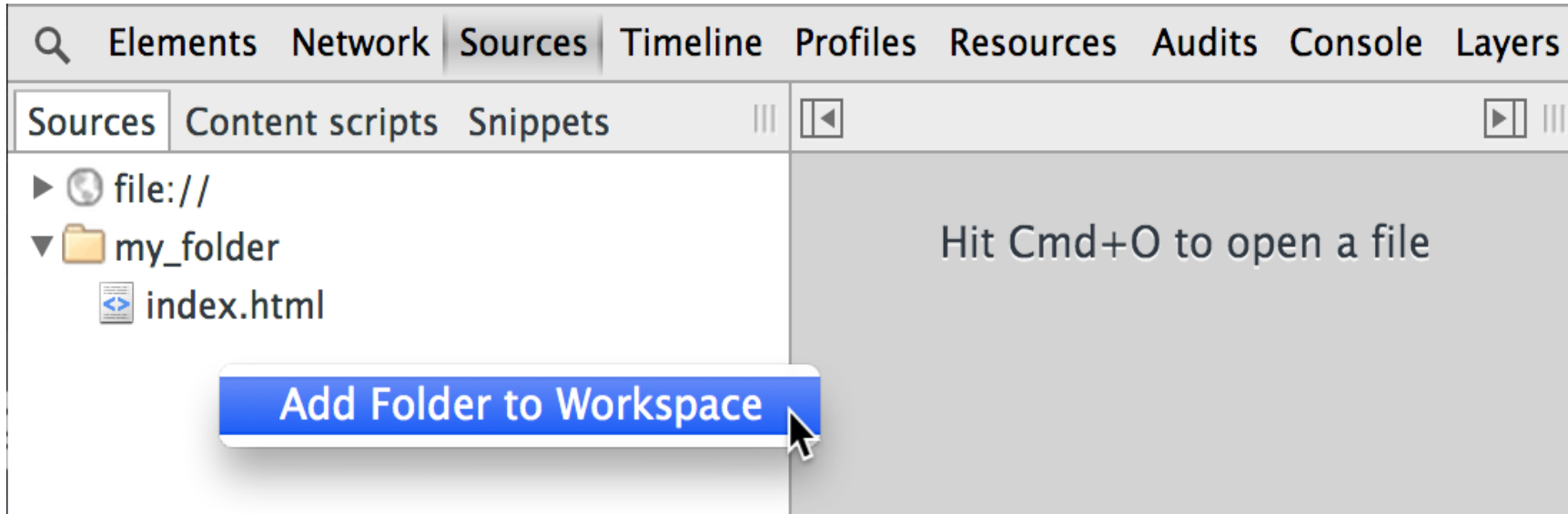
A revision history of all changes made to local files (scripts/styles saved before):

- A diff of the changes
- The time change was made



Workspaces

Persist your changes to disk without having to leave the Chrome DevTools



Snippets

- <http://bgrins.github.io/devtools-snippets/>
- <https://github.com/paulirish/devtools-addons/wiki/Snippets>

Console.

2 primary functions

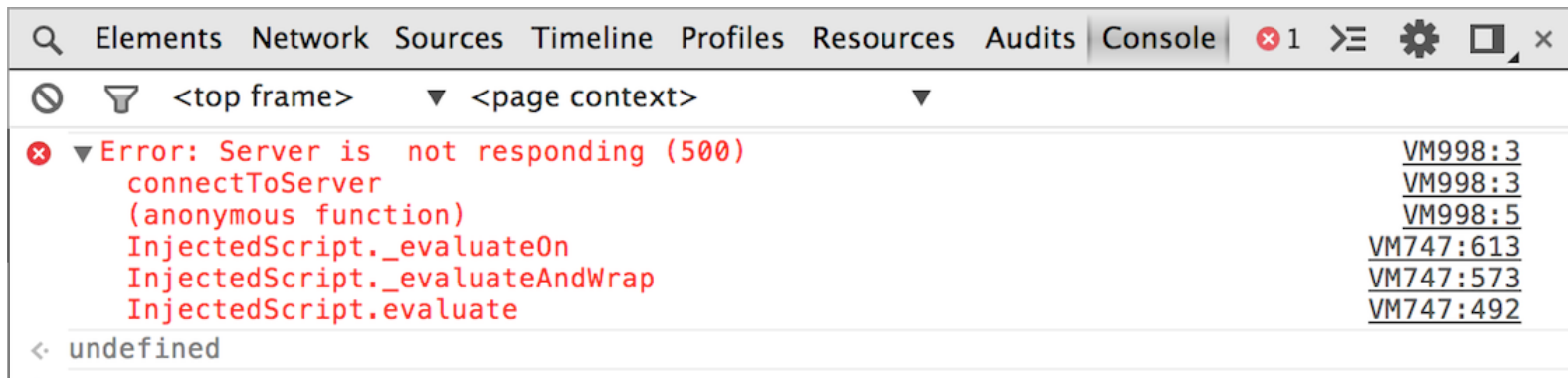
- A place to log diagnostic information using methods provided by the [Console API](#), such as [console.log\(\)](#), or [console.profile\(\)](#).
- A shell prompt where you can enter commands and interact with the document and the Chrome DevTools.

console.log()

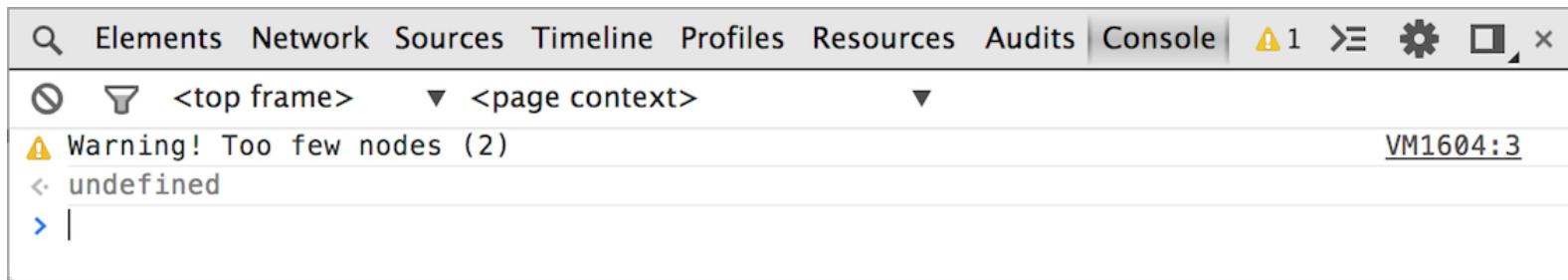
- Accepts multiple params
- Supports format specifiers

Format specifier	Description
%s	Formats the value as a string.
%d or %i	Formats the value as an integer.
%f	Formats the object as a floating point value.
%o	Formats the value as an expandable DOM element (as in the Elements panel).
%O	Formats the value as an expandable JavaScript object.
%c	Applies CSS style rules to output string specified by the second parameter.

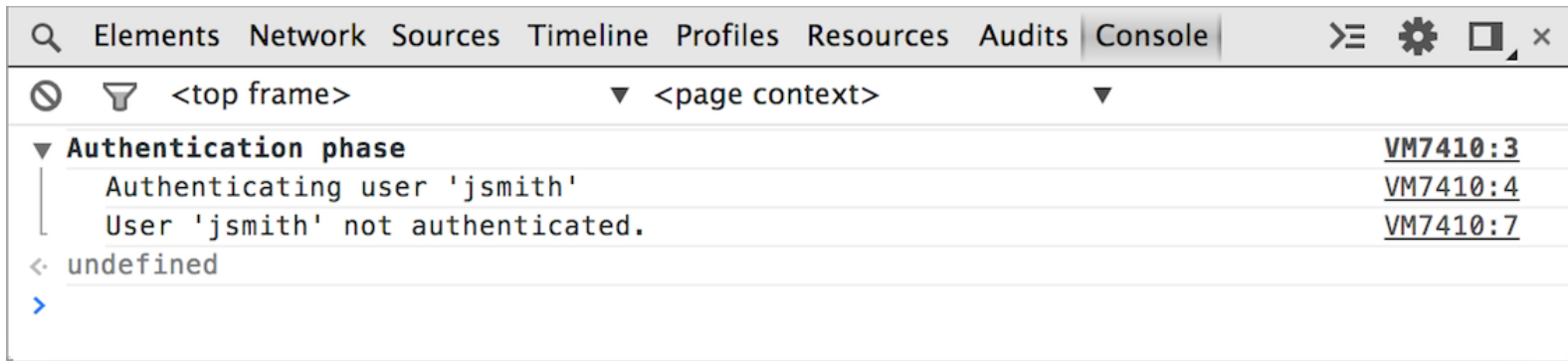
console.error()



console.warn()



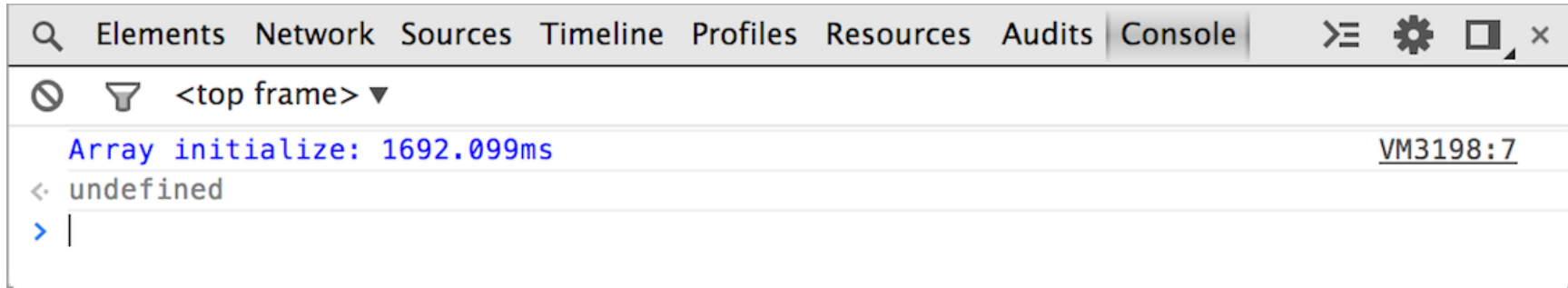
console.group(), console.groupCollapsed()



console.time(), console.timeEnd()

Measure how long a function or operation in your code takes to complete

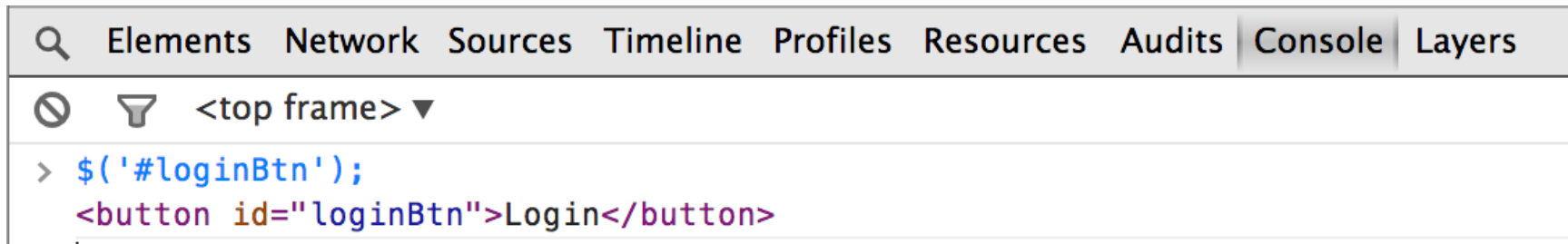
```
console.time("Array initialize");
var array = new Array(1000000);
for (var i = array.length - 1; i >= 0; i--) {
    array[i] = new Object();
};
console.timeEnd("Array initialize");
```



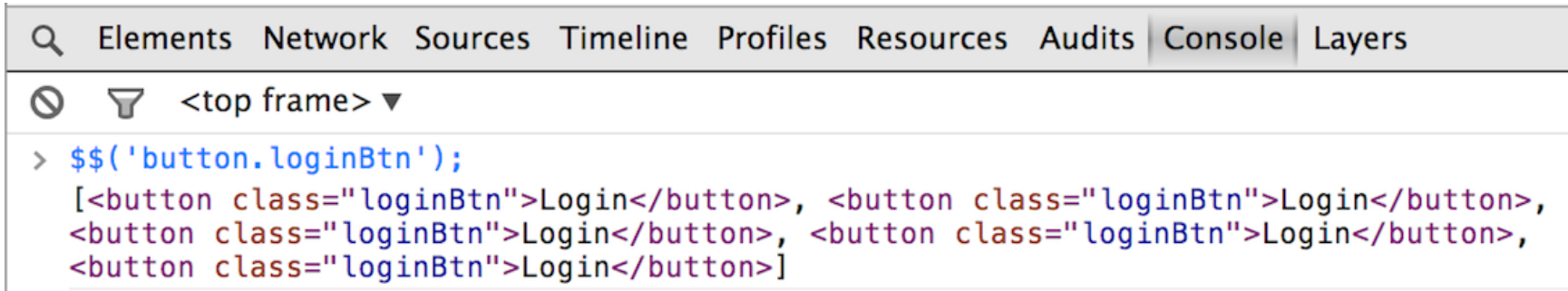
Selecting elements



- returns the first element that matches the specified CSS selector, just like [document.querySelector\(\)](#)



- returns an array of all the elements that match the specified CSS selector, just like [document.querySelectorAll\(\)](#)



Selecting elements

x() - takes an XPath path as a parameter and returns an array of all elements that match the specified path

The following returns all the <script> elements that are children of the **<body>** tag:

```
$x(' /html/body/script ');
```

Accessing recently selected elements and objects

Console remembers the last five elements (or heap objects) you've selected and makes them available as properties named **\$0**, **\$1**, **\$2**, **\$3** and **\$4**.

The screenshot shows the Chrome DevTools interface. At the top, the 'Elements' panel is active, displaying the DOM tree with the following structure:

```
▼ <html>
  <head></head>
  ▼ <body>
    html  body  li.devtools
```

Below the DOM tree, the 'Console' panel is active, showing the following log entries:

```
> $0
  <li class="devtools">Paul</li>
> $1
  ▶ <div id="chrome_devtools">...</div>
> $2
  ▶ <div class="console_debugging">...</div>
>
```

Monitoring events

```
monitorEvents(window, "resize");  
monitorEvents(document.body, [ "mousedown", "mouseup" ] );
```

🔍 Elements Network Sources Timeline Profiles Resources Audits Console Layers

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> `monitorEvents(window, "resize")`

undefined

resize ▶ Event {clipboardData: undefined, cancelBubble: false, returnValue: true, ...}

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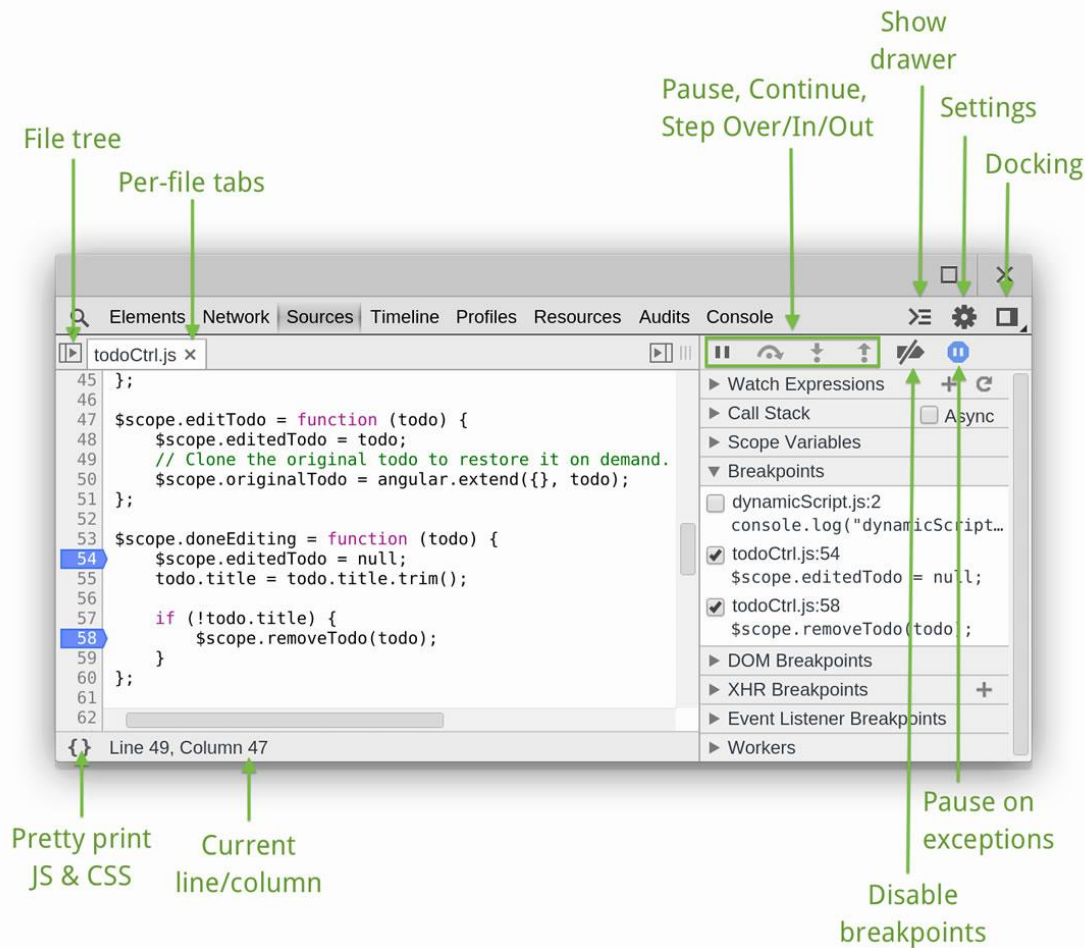
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Debugging Javascript

Sources Panel



Execution control



Continue (F8): continues code execution until we encounter another breakpoint.



Step over (F10): step through code line-by-line to get insights into how each line affects the variables being updated. Should your code call another function, the debugger won't jump into its code, instead stepping over so that the focus remains on the current function.



Step into (F11): like Step over, however clicking Step into at the function call will cause the debugger to move its execution to the first line in the functions definition.



Step out (Shift+F11): having stepped into a function, clicking this will cause the remainder of the function definition to be run and the debugger will move its execution to the parent function.



Toggle breakpoints: toggles breakpoints on/off while leaving their enabled states intact.

Breakpoints

- Breakpoints (can be conditional)
- Breakpoints on DOM Mutation Events
- Breakpoints on XHR
- Breakpoints on JavaScript Event Listeners
- **debugger ;**

<https://developer.chrome.com/devtools/docs/javascript-debugging>

Tips & Tricks

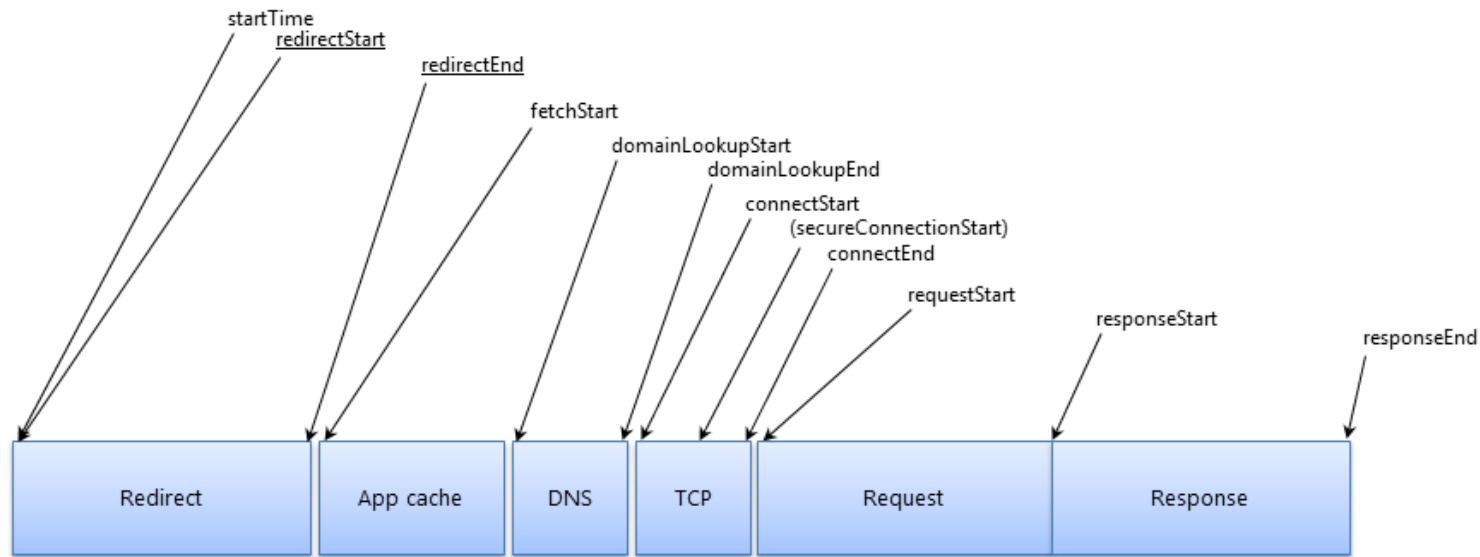
- **Async** checkbox
- Blackbox Javascript files
- Call Stack + Console
- `Error.stack` / `console.trace()` / `console.assert()`
- Pretty Print

Performance & Profiling

Questions answered

- Which resource had the slowest time to first byte?
- Which resources took the longest time to load (duration)?
- Who initiated a particular network request?
- How much time was spent in the various network phases for a particular resource?

Resource Timing API



```
window.performance.getEntries()
```

Network Panel

Preserve records on navigation
Clear records
Hide/show filter buttons
Change size of resource rows

Filter buttons

load event marker
DOMContentLoaded event marker

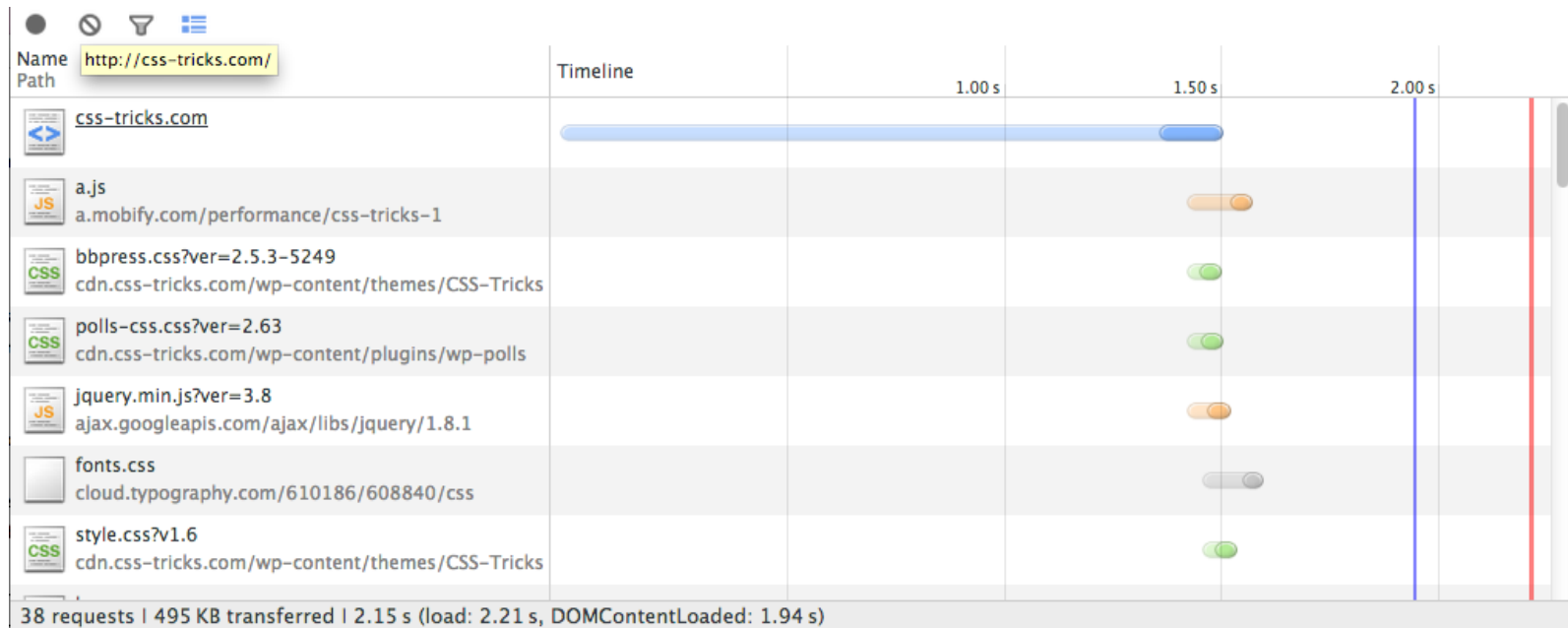
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25 requests | 251 KB transferred | 706 ms (load: 707 ms, DOMContentLoaded: 506 ms)

Resources

Summary view

Waterfall view



- indicates when the the **DOMContentLoaded** and **load** events were fired (blue and and red vertical lines)
- preserving network log upon navigation
- sorting and filtering

Color-coded waterfall

	Documents
	Stylesheets
	Images
	Scripts
	XHR
	Fonts
	Other

Resource network timing

×	Headers	Preview	Response	Timing
Stalled			677.484 ms	
Proxy negotiation			280.772 ms	
DNS Lookup			92.022 ms	
Initial connection			365.126 ms	
SSL			218.907 ms	
Request sent			0.233 ms	
Waiting (TTFB)			247.005 ms	
Content Download			74.231 ms	

Stalled/Blocking

Time the request spent waiting before it could be sent. This time is inclusive of any time spent in proxy negotiation. Additionally, this time will include when the browser is waiting for an already established connection to become available for re-use, obeying Chrome's **maximum six** TCP connection per origin rule.

Proxy Negotiation

Time spent negotiating with a proxy server connection.

DNS Lookup

Time spent performing the DNS lookup. Every new domain on a page requires a full roundtrip to do the DNS lookup.

Initial Connection / Connecting

Time it took to establish a connection, including TCP handshakes/retries and negotiating a SSL.

SSL

Time spent completing a SSL handshake.

Request Sent / Sending

Time spent issuing the network request. Typically a fraction of a millisecond.

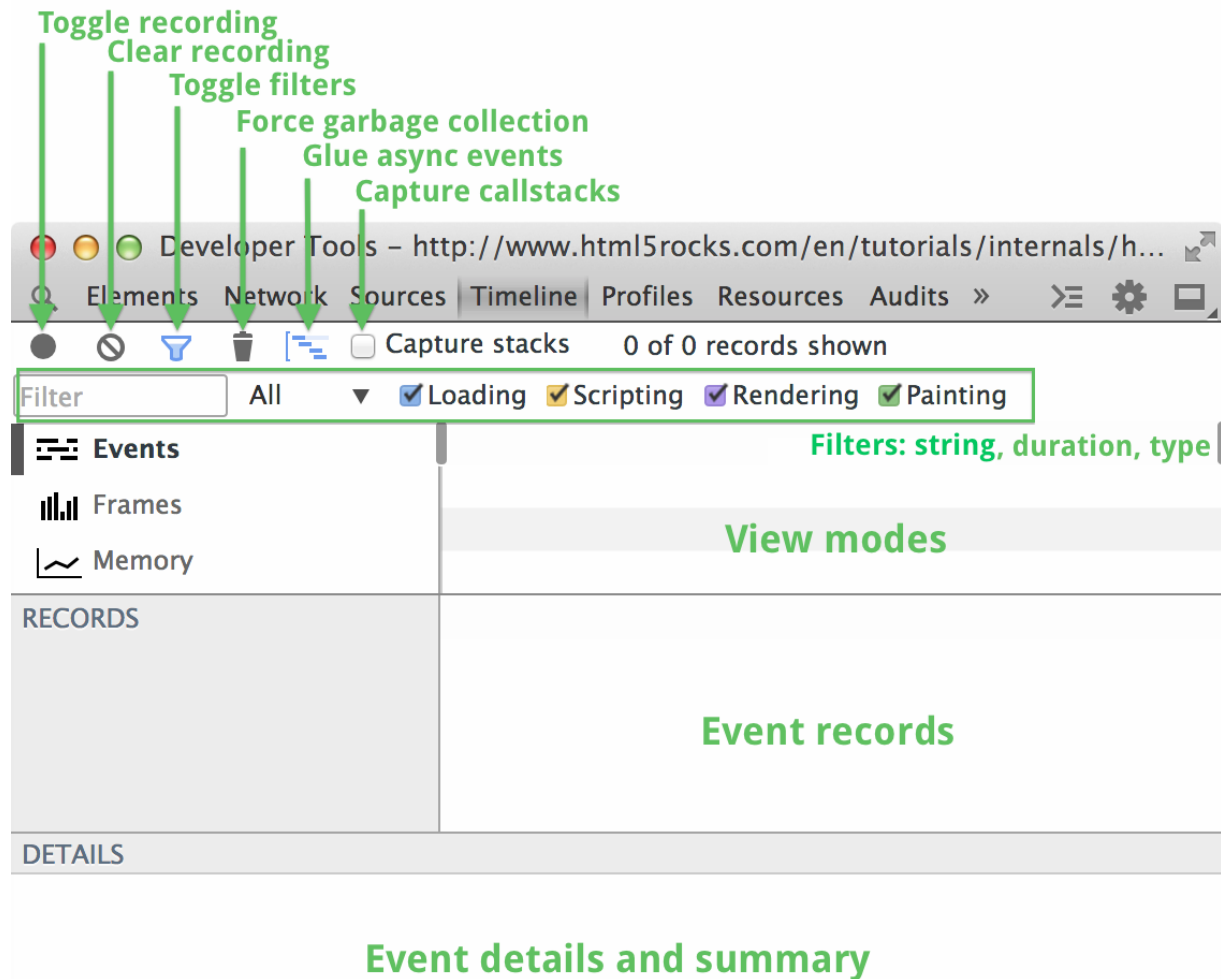
Waiting (TTFB)

Time spent waiting for the initial response, also known as the Time To First Byte. This time captures the latency of a round trip to the server in addition to the time spent waiting for the server to deliver the response.

Content Download / Downloading

Time spent receiving the response data.

Performance profiling with the Timeline



Profiling JavaScript Performance

Self ▼	Total	Function
2191...	2194...	► montReduce crypto.js:583
1852...	1852...	(garbage collector)
1492...	1510...	▼ lin_solve navier-stokes.js:128
1476...	1493...	▼ project navier-stokes.js:239
785.2...	792....	► runNavierStokes navier-stokes.js:35
691.4...	701....	► vel_step navier-stokes.js:284
8.9 ms	9.1 ms	▼ diffuse navier-stokes.js:157
8.9 ms	9.1 ms	▼ dens_step navier-stokes.js:277
8.9 ms	9.1 ms	▼ FluidField.update navier-stokes.js:329
8.9 ms	9.1 ms	▼ runNavierStokes navier-stokes.js:35
8.9 ms	9.1 ms	► Measure base.js:202
7.2 ms	7.5 ms	▼ runNavierStokes navier-stokes.js:35
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