



# **AJAX Interview Questions**

A list of frequently asked AJAX interview questions and answers are given below.

## 1) What is AJAX?

AJAX stands for Asynchronous JavaScript and XML. It is a group of related technologies used to display data asynchronously. In other words, it sends and retrieves data without reloading the web page. More details.

# 2) What are the advantages of AJAX?

- Quick Response
- Bandwidth utilization
- The user is not blocked until data is retrieved from the server.
- It allows us to send only important data to the server.
- It makes the application interactive and faster.

#### 3) What are the disadvantages of AJAX?

- Dependent on JavaScript
- Security issues
- Debugging is difficult

4)	What	are	the	real	web	applications	of	AJAX	currently	running	in	the
ma	arket?											

- Twitter
- Facebook
- o Gmail
- Javatpoint
- o Youtube

# 5) What are the security issues with AJAX?

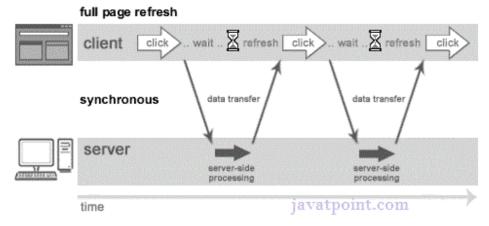
- o AJAX source code is readable
- Attackers can insert the script into the system



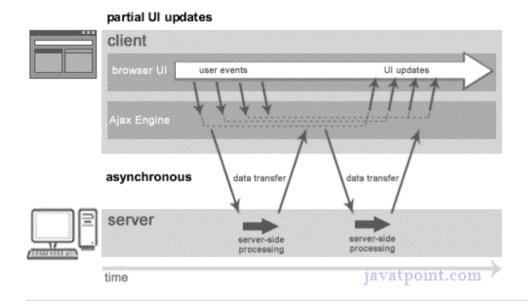
# 6) What is the difference between synchronous and asynchronous requests?

Synchronous request blocks the user until a response is retrieved whereas asynchronous doesn't block the user. More details.

Synchronous Request



#### Asynchronous Request



## 7) What are the technologies used by AJAX?

- HTML/XHTML and CSS These technologies are used for displaying content and style.
- ODOM It is used for dynamic display and interaction with data.
- XML It is used for carrying data to and from server
- o XMLHttpRequest It is used for asynchronous communication between client and server.
- JavaScript It is used mainly for client-side validation

#### More details.

## 8) What is the purpose of XMLHttpRequest?

o It sends data in the background to the server.

- It requests data from the server.
- o It receives data from the server.
- It updates data without reloading the page.

More details.

## 9) What are the properties of XMLHttpRequest?

The important properties of the XMLHttpRequest object are given below.

- onReadyStateChange It is called whenever readystate attribute changes.
- readyState It represents the state of the request.
- responseText It returns response as text.
- responseXML It returns response as XML.
- o status It returns the status number of a request.
- o statusText It returns the details of status.

More details.

#### 10) What are the important methods of XMLHttpRequest?

- o abort() It is used to cancel the current request.
- o getAllResponseHeaders() It returns the header details.
- getResponseHeader() It returns the specific header details.

- o open() It is used to open the request.
- o send() It is used to send the request.
- o setRequestHeader() It adds request header.

#### More details.

#### 11) What are the types of open() method used for XMLHttpRequest?

- o open(method, URL) It opens the request specifying get or post method and URL.
- open(method, URL, async) It is same as above but specifies asynchronous or not.
- o open(method, URL, async, username, password) It is same as above but specifies the username and password.

#### More details.

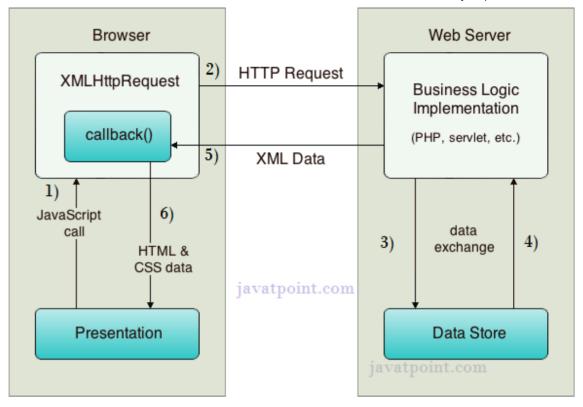
# 12) What are the types of send() method used for XMLHttpRequest?

- o send() It sends get request
- o send(string) It sends post request.

#### More details.

# 13) What is the role of the callback function in AJAX?

The callback function passes a function as a parameter to another function. If we have to perform various AJAX tasks on a website, then we can create one function for executing XMLHttpRequest and a callback function to execute each AJAX task.



#### 14) What is JSON in AJAX?

JSON stands for JavaScript Object Notation. In AJAX, it is used to exchange data between a browser and a server. It is easy to understand, and data exchange is faster than XML. It supports array, object, string, number, and values.

```
request.onreadystatechange = function(){
    if (request.readyState == 4 )
    {
       var jsonObj = JSON.parse(request.responseText);//JSON.parse() returns JSON object
      document.getElementById("date").innerHTML = jsonObj.date;
      document.getElementById("time").innerHTML = jsonObj.time;
    }
}
```

# 15) What are the tools for debugging AJAX applications?

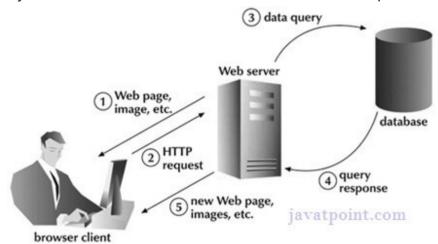
There are several tools for debugging AJAX applications.

- o Firebug for Mozilla Firefox
- Fiddler for IE (Internet Explorer)
- JavaScript HTML Debugger
- MyEclipse AJAX Tools
- Script Debugger

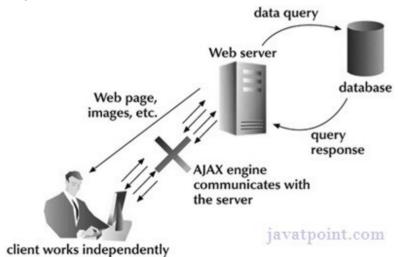
# 16) What are the types of post back in AJAX?

There are two types of post back in AJAX.

• Synchronous Postback - It blocks the client until the operation completes.



• Asynchronous Postback - It doesn?t block the client.



# 17) What are the different ready states of a request in AJAX?

There are 5 ready states of a request in AJAX.

- o 0 means UNOPENED
- 1 means OPENED
- o 2 means HEADERS\_RECEIVED
- 3 means LOADING
- o 4 means DONE

More details.

## 18) What are the common AJAX frameworks?

- o Dojo Toolkit
- o YUI
- Google Web Toolkit (GWT)
- Spry
- MooTools
- Prototype

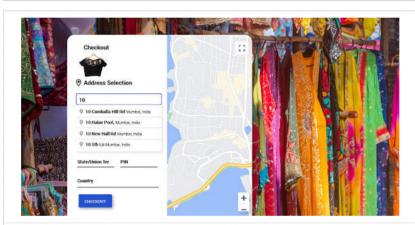
## 19) How can you test the AJAX code?

JUnit is the open source unit testing framework for client-side JavaScript. It is required to create test cases. The unit test case is a code which ensures that the program logic works as expected.

# 20) What is the difference between JavaScript and AJAX?

JavaScript is an object-based scripting language.	AJAX is a group of inter-related technologies like JavaScript, XML, HTML, CSS etc
It requests the server and waits for the response.	It sends a request to the server and doesn't wait for the response.
It consumes more bandwidth as it reloads the page.	It doesn't reload the page so consumes less bandwidth.

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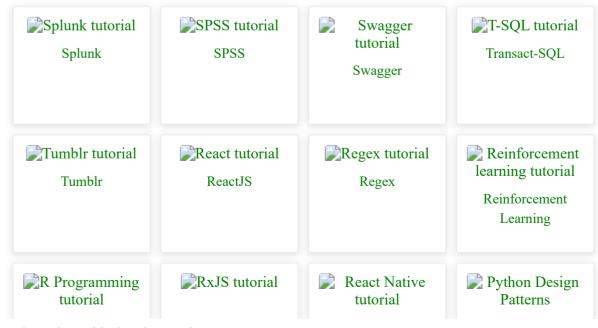
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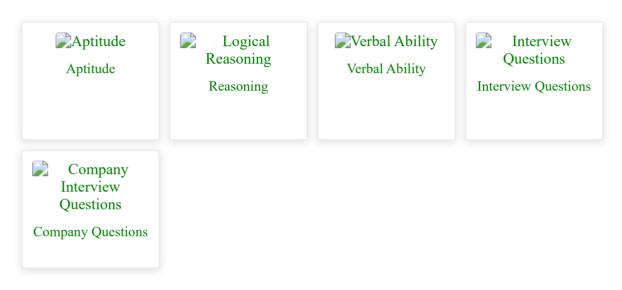
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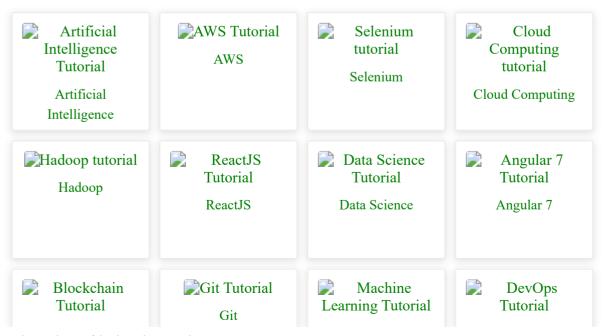




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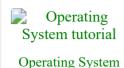
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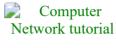




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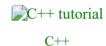
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