



Why do webpages need to be so fast?

53% of mobile site visits are abandoned if pages take longer than 3 seconds to load.

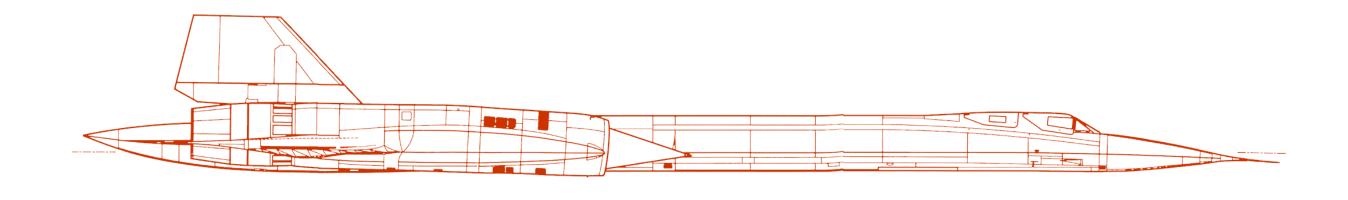
Impact of site performance on overall site conversion rate....

Baseline – 1 in 2 site visits had response time > 4 seconds * Sharp decline in conversion rate as average site load time increases from 1 to 4 seconds * Overall average site load time is lower for the converted population (3.22 Seconds) than the nonconverted population (6.03 Seconds) Conversion Rate Vs. Load Time Population (%) -- Conversion Rate (%) Load Time (Seconds) Note: Load Time here is the time taken from head of the page to page ready (T_Page)

Page Performance & Site Conversion - Feb 2012



Mobile sites load in 5 seconds earn up to 2x more mobile ad revenue.



WHAT IS FAST?

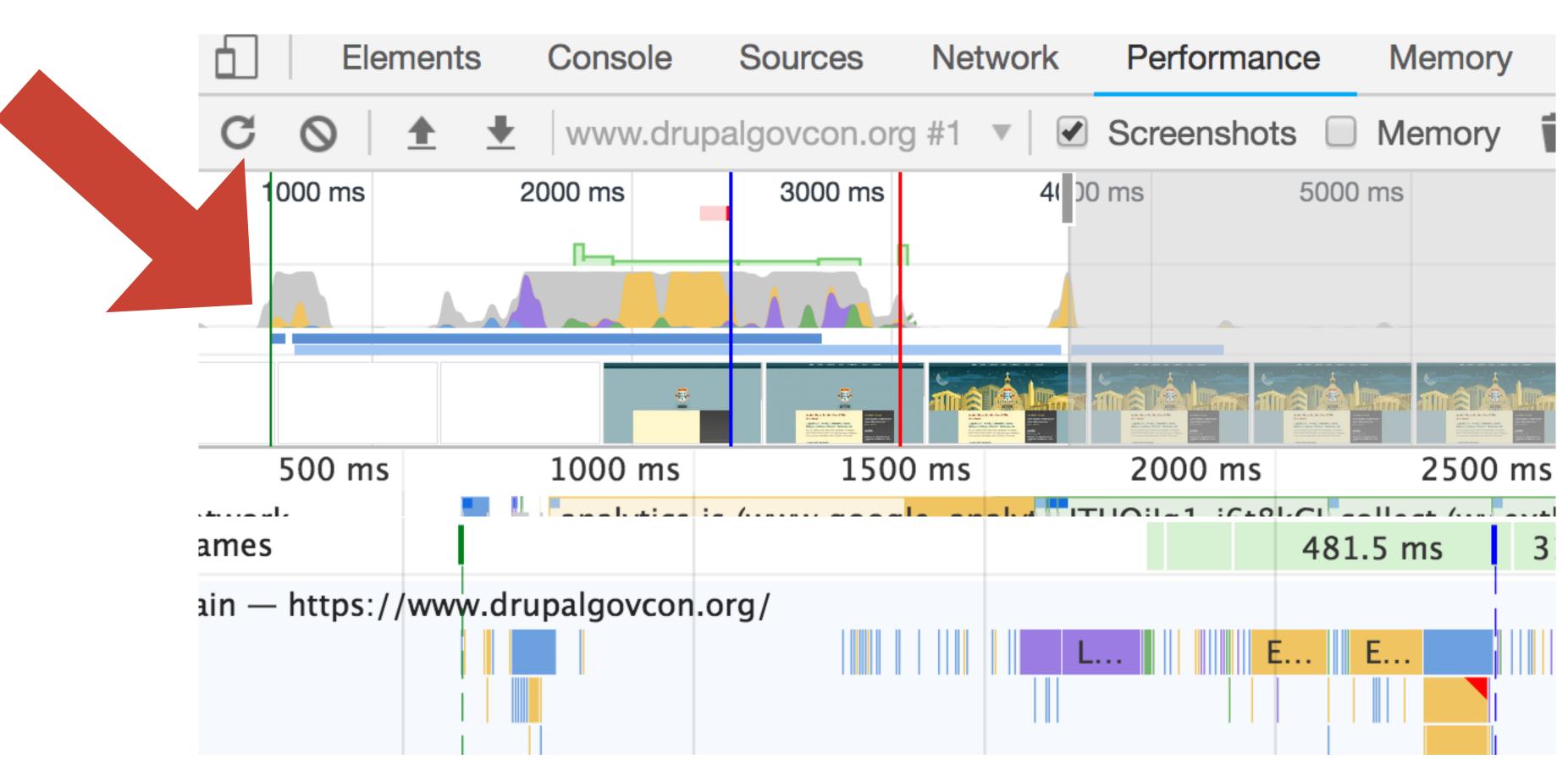
FRONTEND PERFORMANCE METRICS

- Time to First Byte
- Time to First Meaningful Paint
- Time to First Interactive
- Speed Index

TIME TO FIRST BYTE

- Time from when you begin navigation until the first byte of the html file hits your browser.
- Delays here can indicate backend performance issues.
- Effective caching really helps with this (Drupal FTW)
- CDNs can dramatically help. They position content closer to the user.

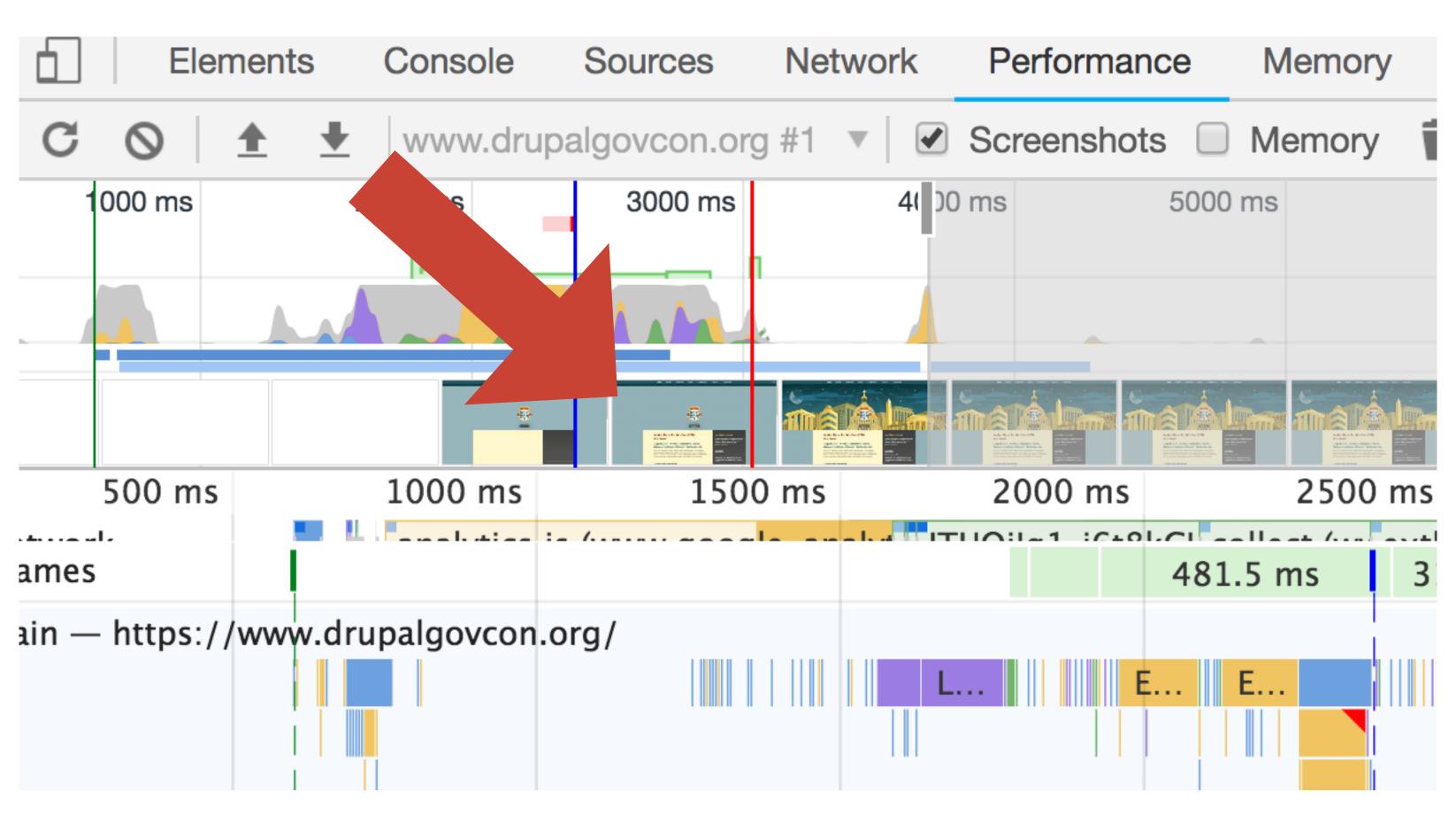
TIME TO FIRST BYTE



TIME TO FIRST MEANINGFUL PAINT

- Primary content is visible.
- Marks the paint event that follows the most significant change to layout.
- Can be ambiguous.

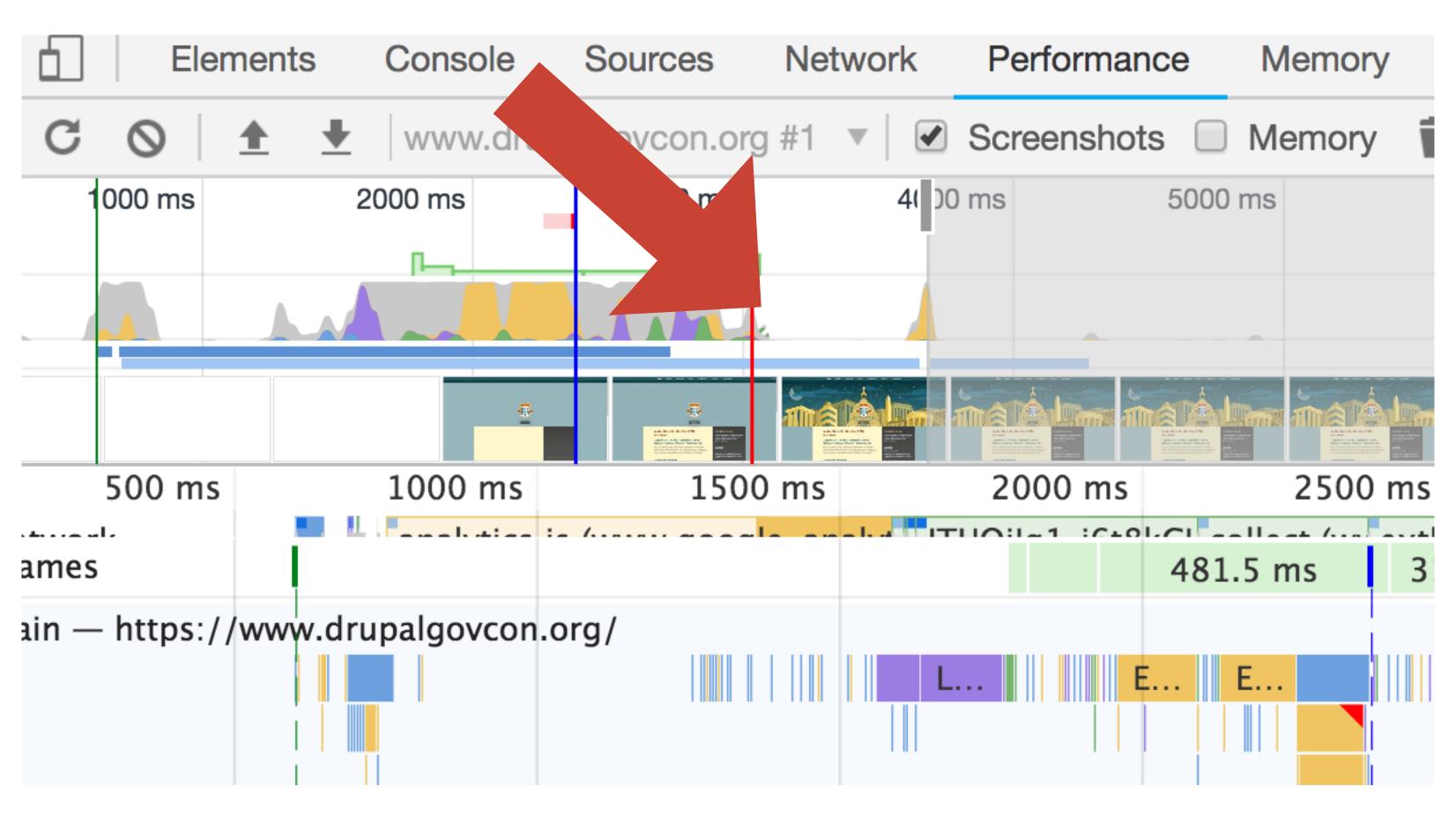
TIME TO FIRST MEANINGFUL PAINT



TIME TO INTERACTIVE

- Load is finished, and main thread work is done
- Consistently interactive

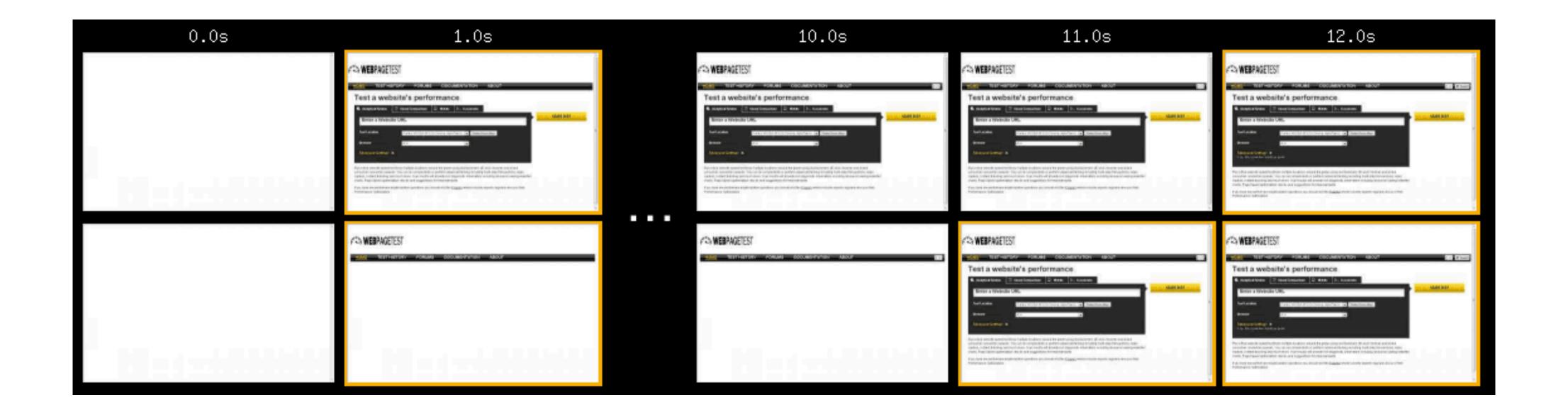
TIME TO INTERACTIVE



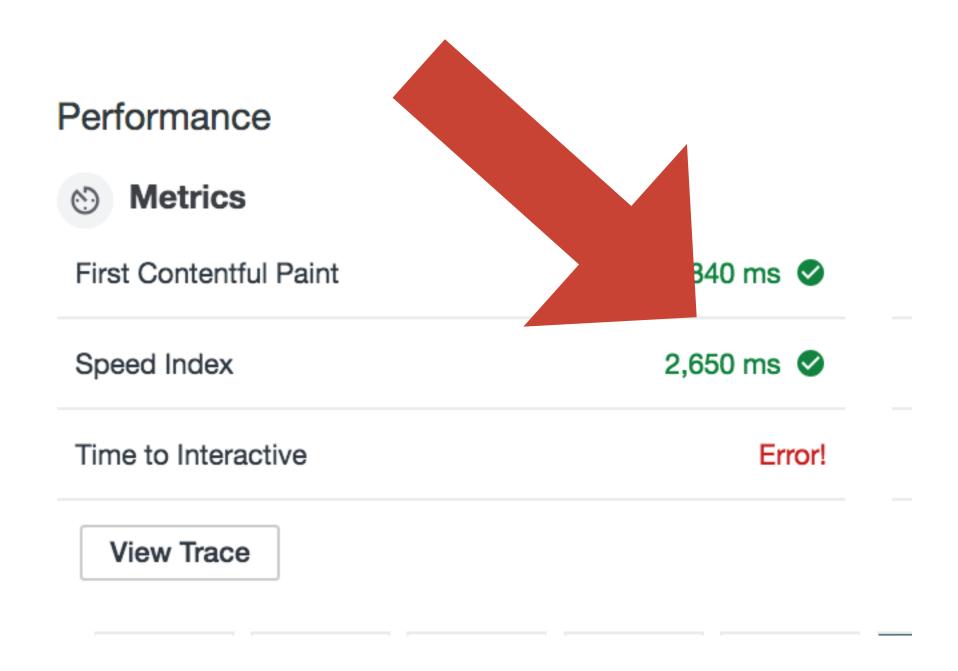
SPEED INDEX

- Calculated value
- Average time at which visible parts of the page are displayed
- How quickly does the page approach visually complete?
- Essentially the time it takes for average pixel to paint (milliseconds)

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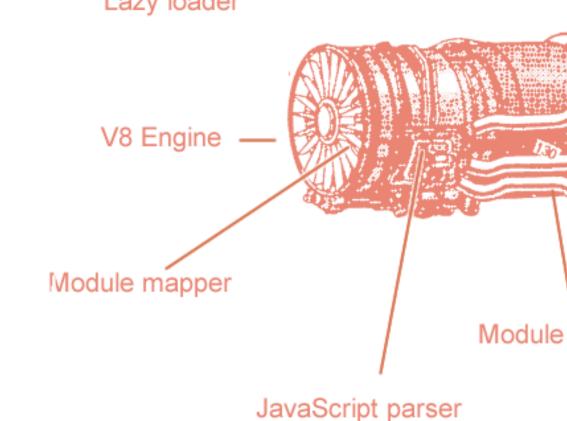


FRONTEND PERFORMANCE METRICS ORDER OF IMPORTANCE

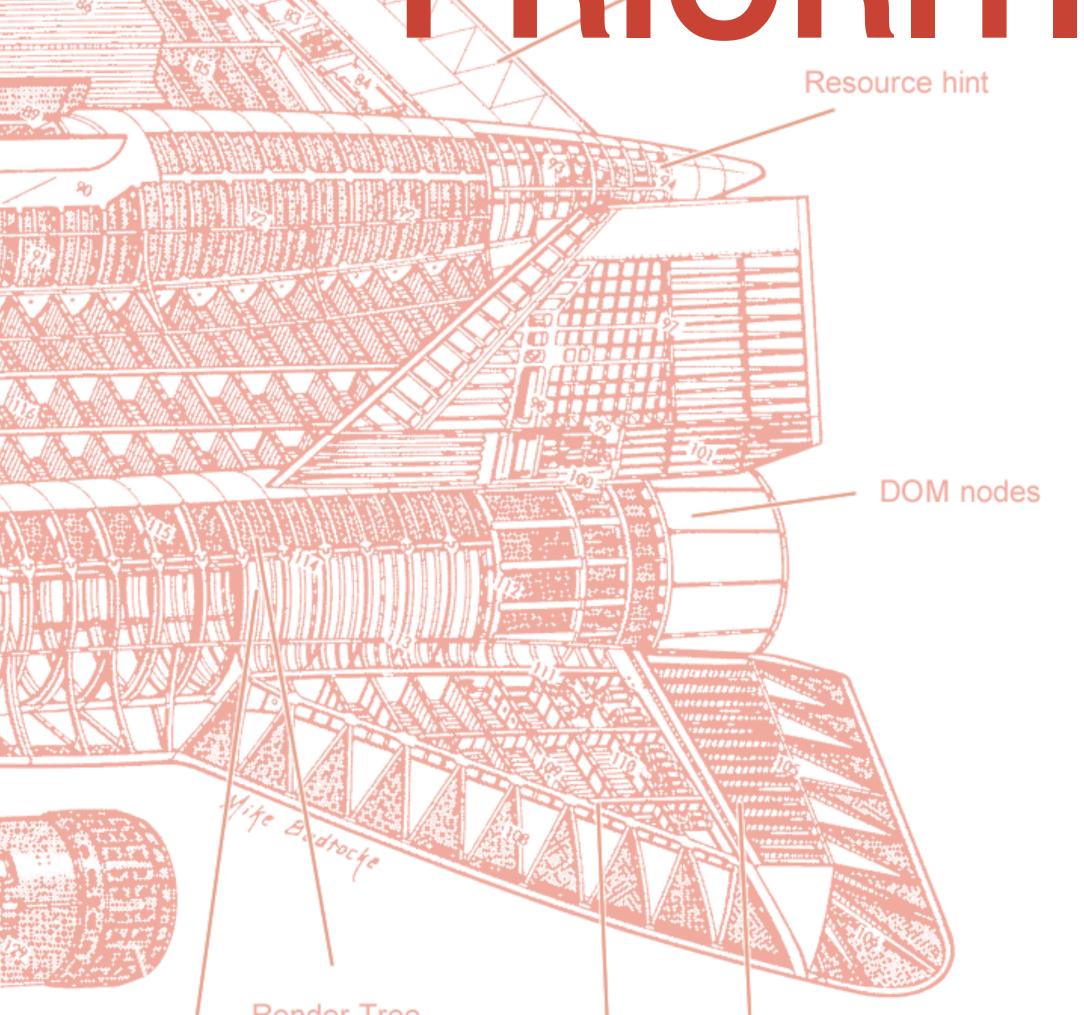
- 1. Speed Index
- 2. Time to First Interactive
- 3. Time to First Meaningful Paint
- 4. Time to First Byte



- 1. Download index file
- 2. Parse index file as it is downloading
- 3. Prioritize critical content



HOMBROWSERS WORK: PRIORIZING



1. Highest

- Initial document
- Webfonts
- CSS

2. High

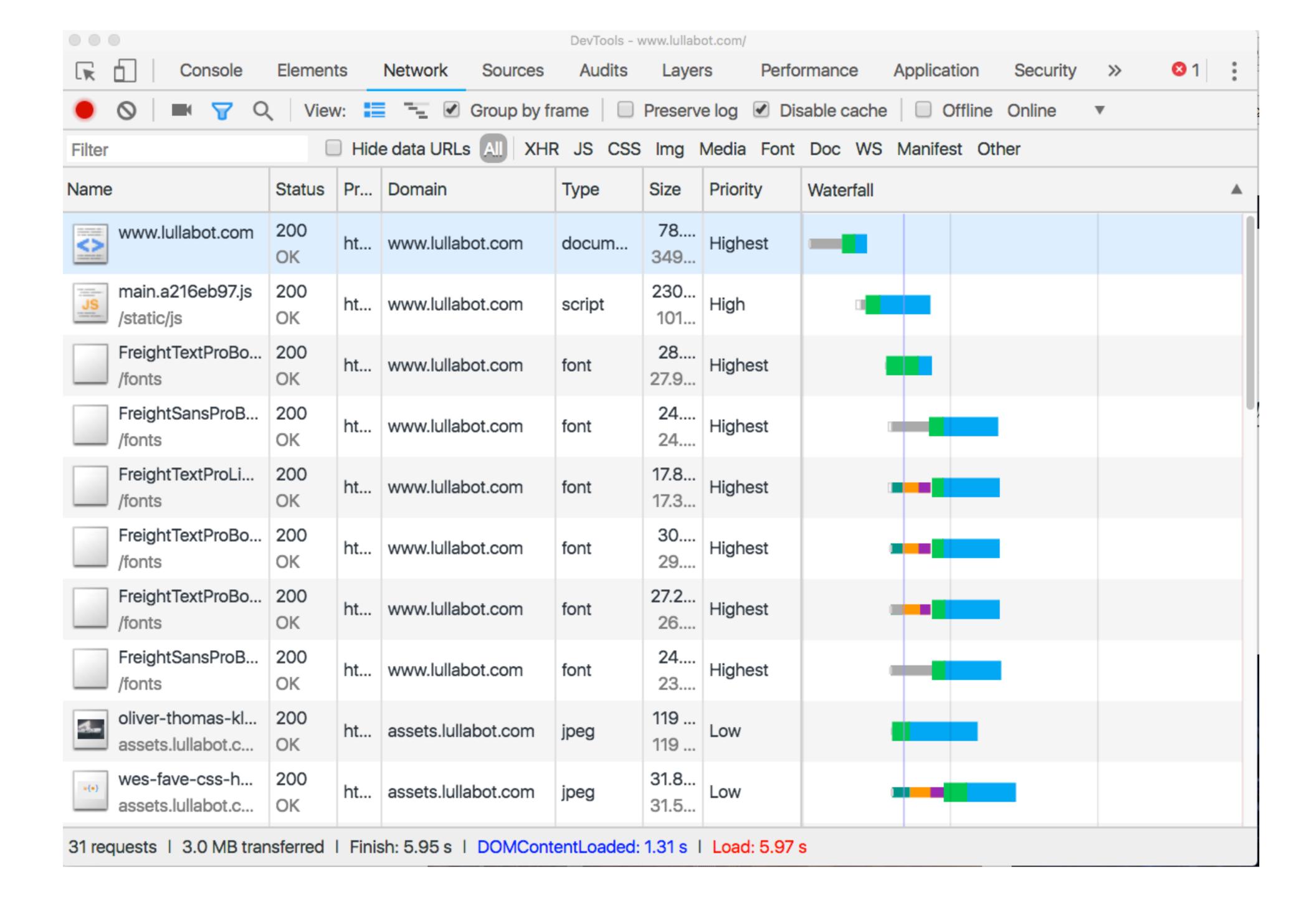
- Script tags in the <head>
- **XHR**

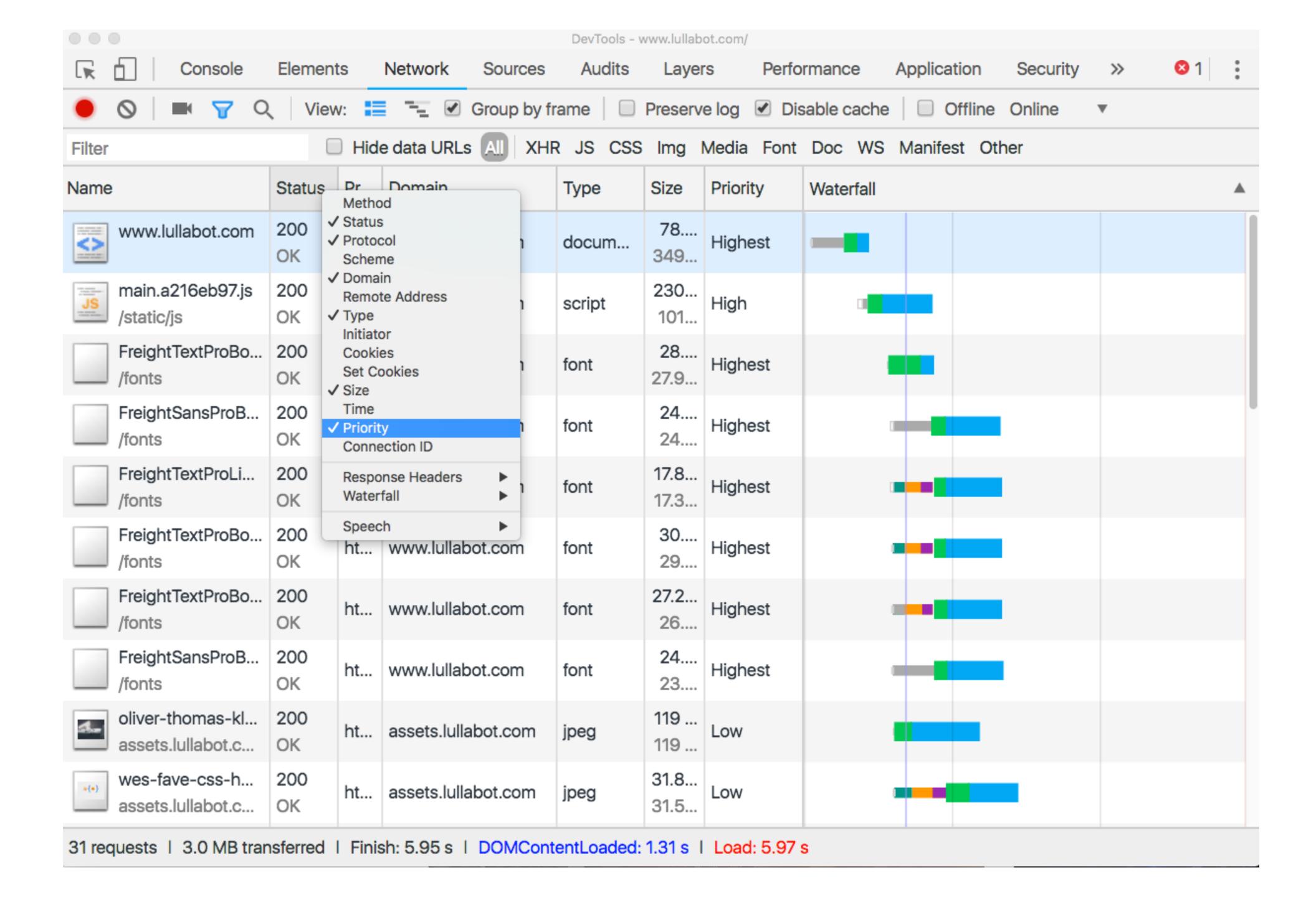
3. Medium

Script tags outside of the <head>

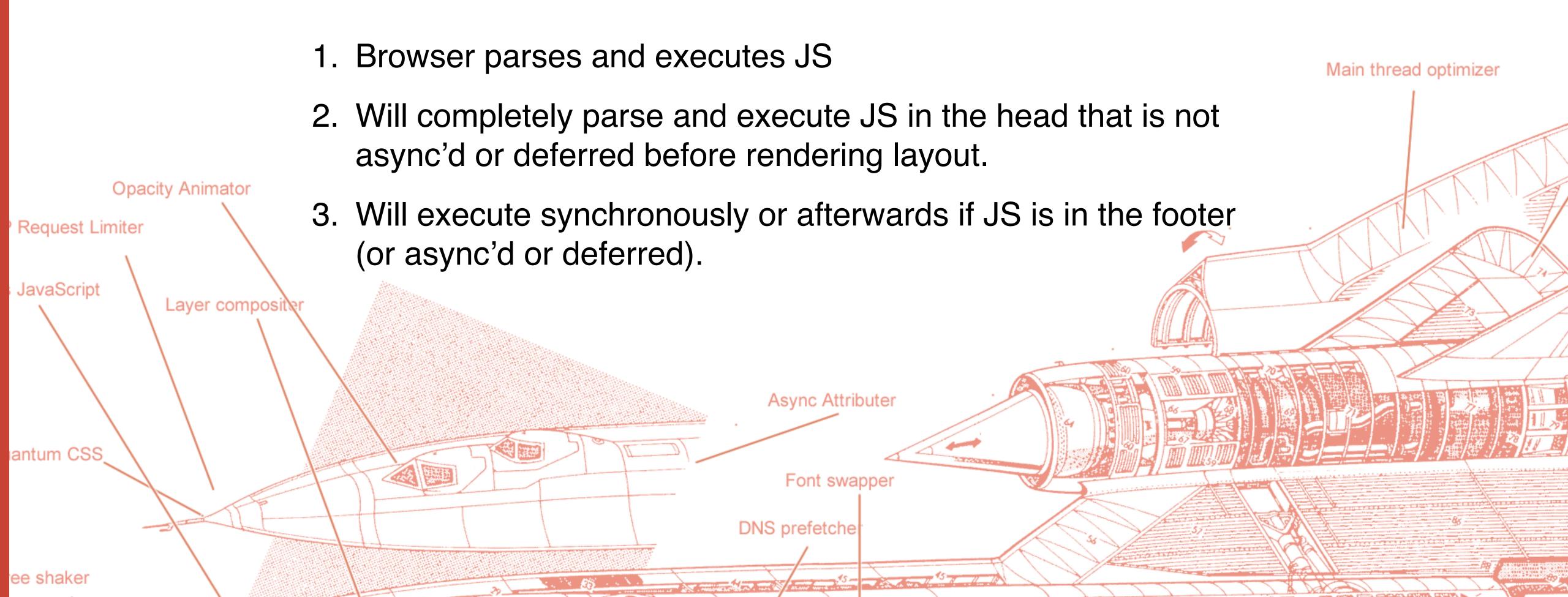
4. Low

Images

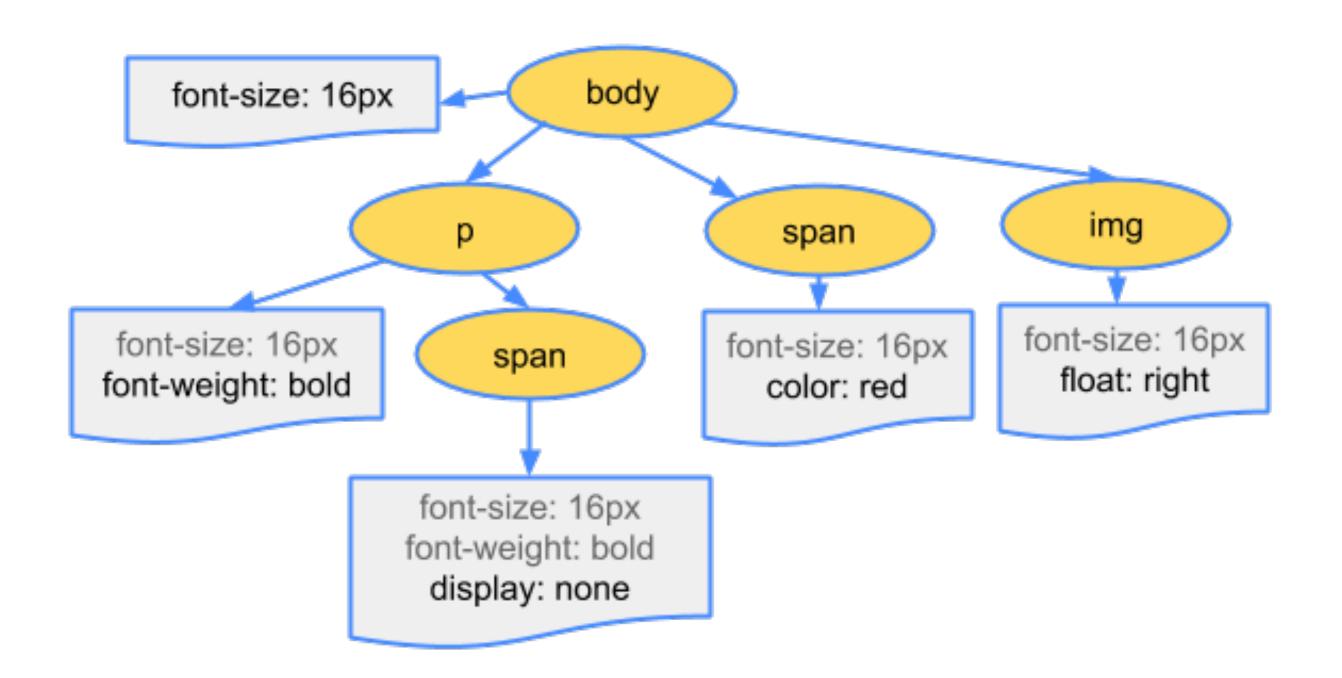




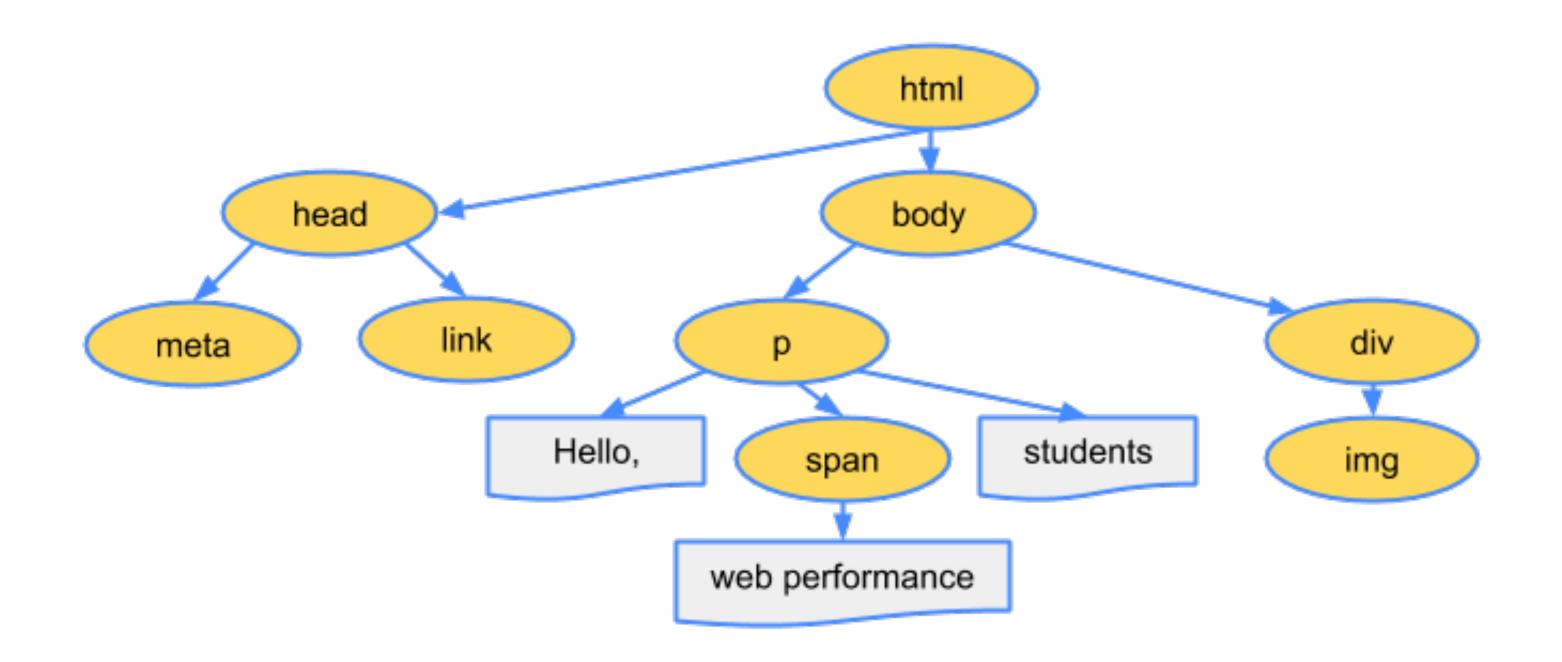
HOW BROWSERS WORK: PARSE / EXECUTE CSS & JS



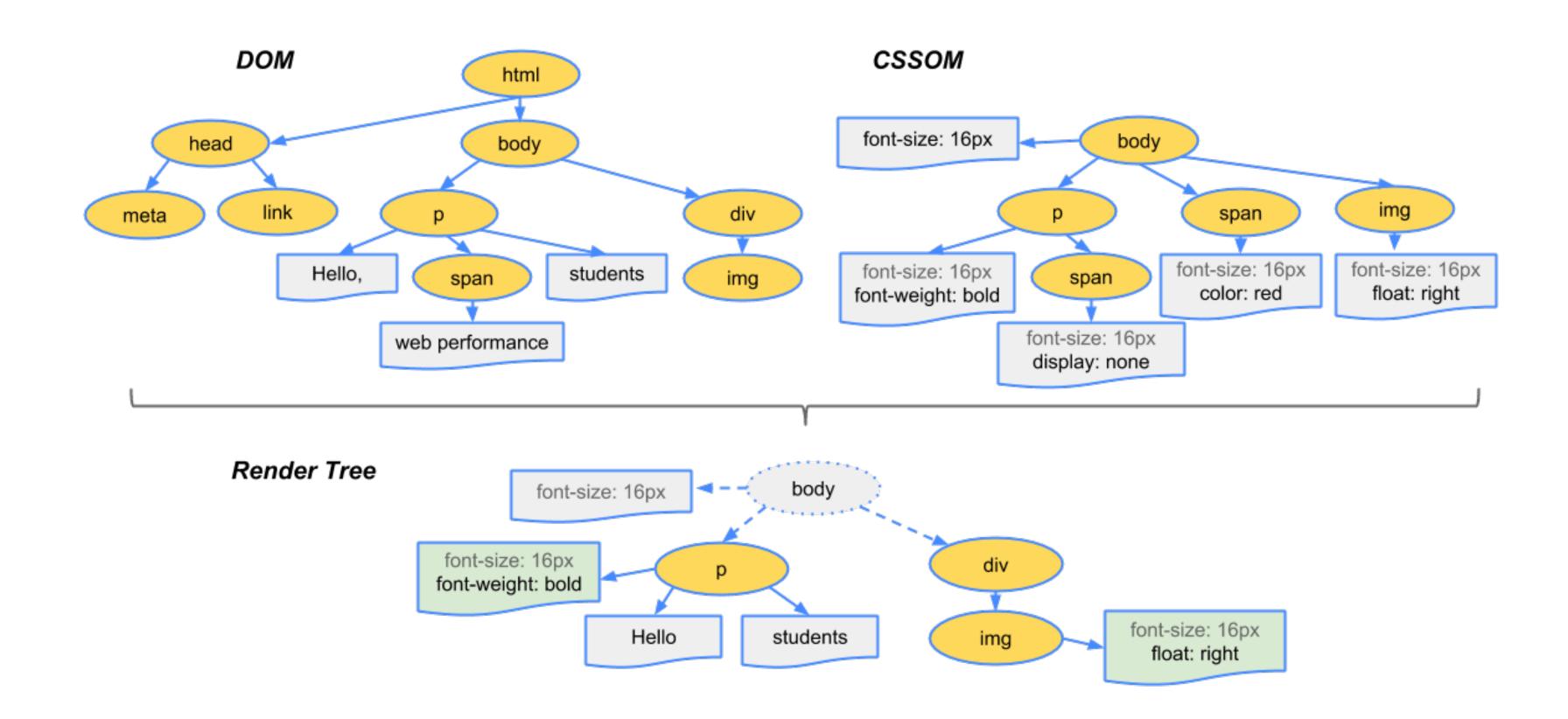
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HOW BROWSERS WORK: CREATING THE DOM

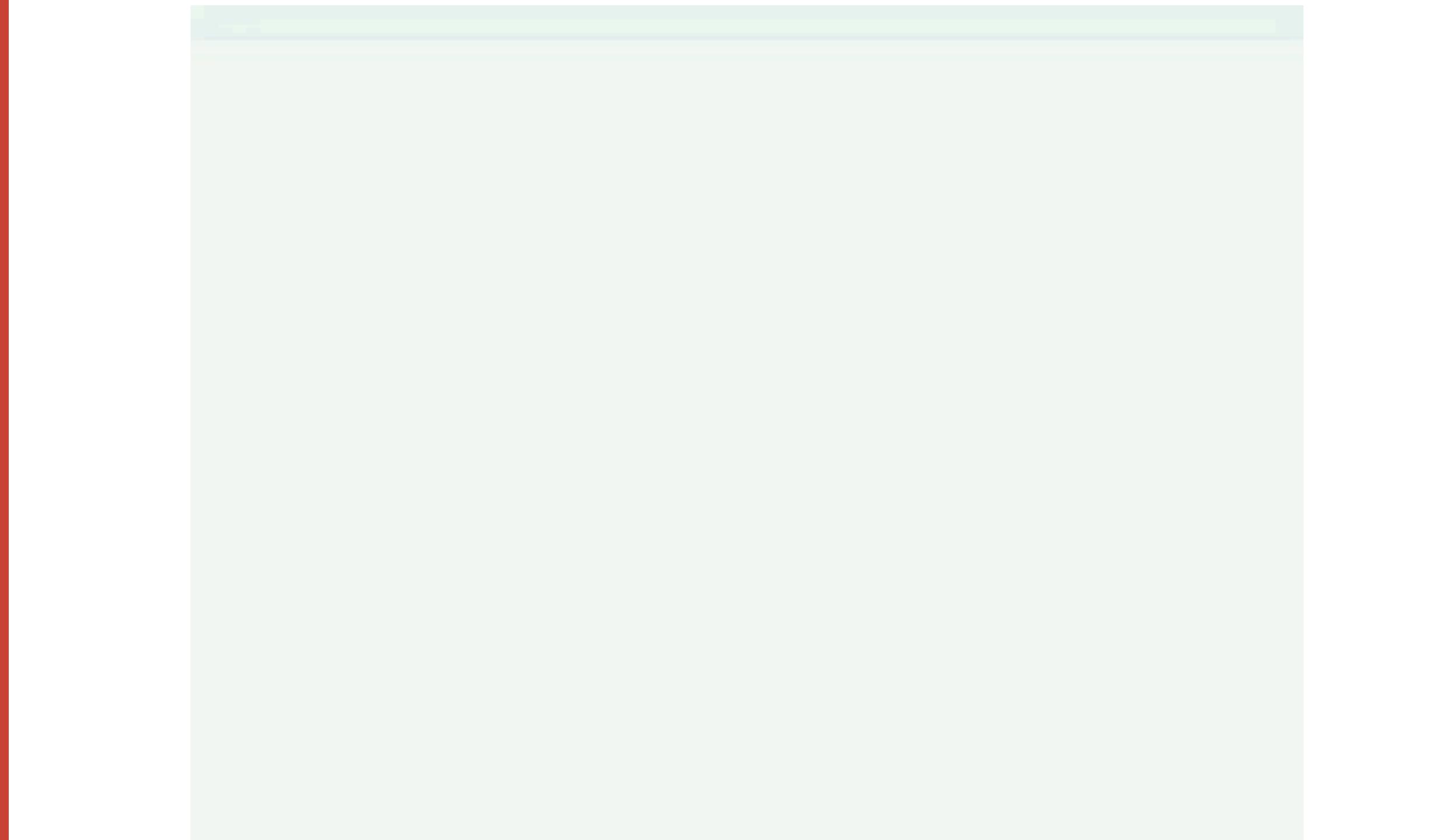


HOW BROWSERS WORK: CREATING THE RENDER TREE



LAYOUT (AKAREFLOW)

- Browser calculates how much space it takes to put elements on screen.
- Calculates where to place the elements on the screen in relation to other elements and the viewport.
- Expensive.



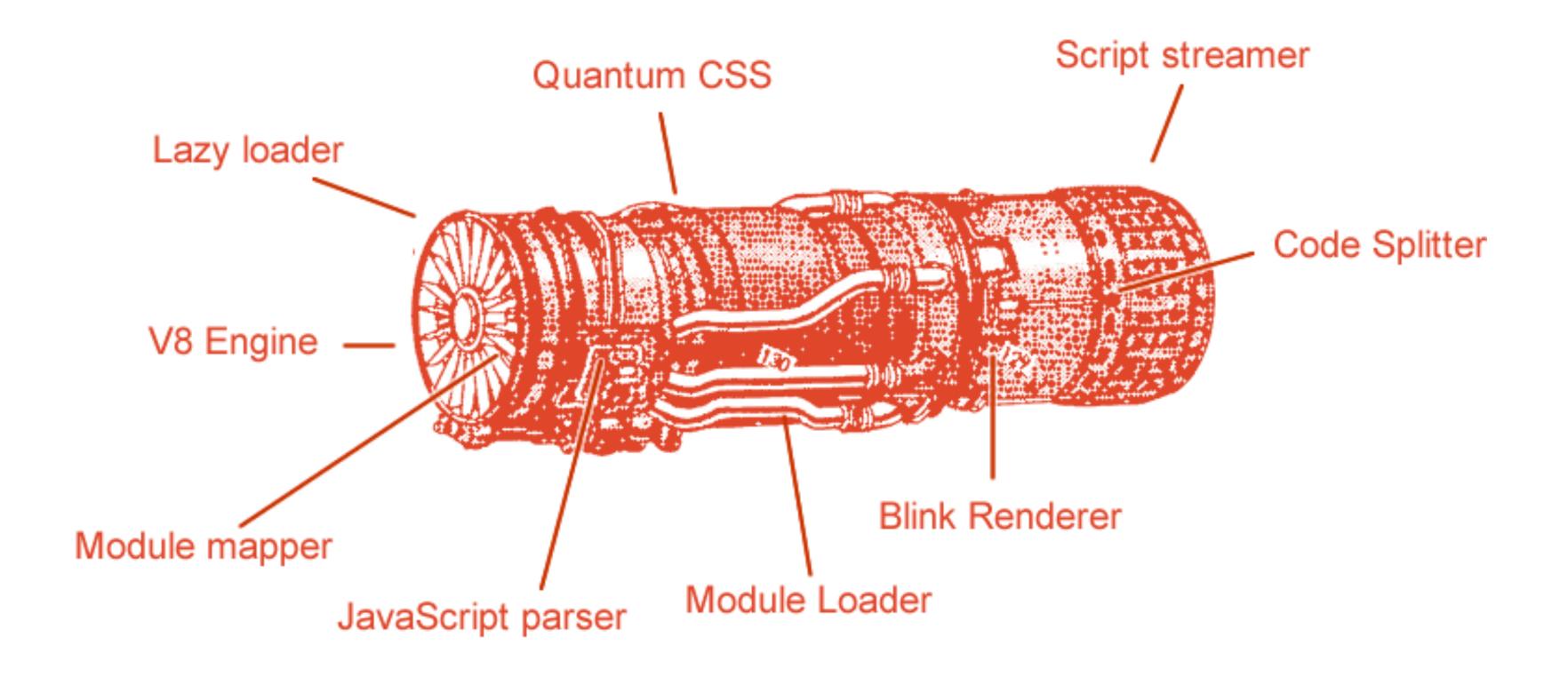
PAINT

- The process of filling in pixels.
- Text, colors, images, borders, etc
- Expensive.

COMPOSITING

- Multiple layers within browser get placed on the screen.
- Think of these as Photoshop layers they can easily be moved around
- Cheap!

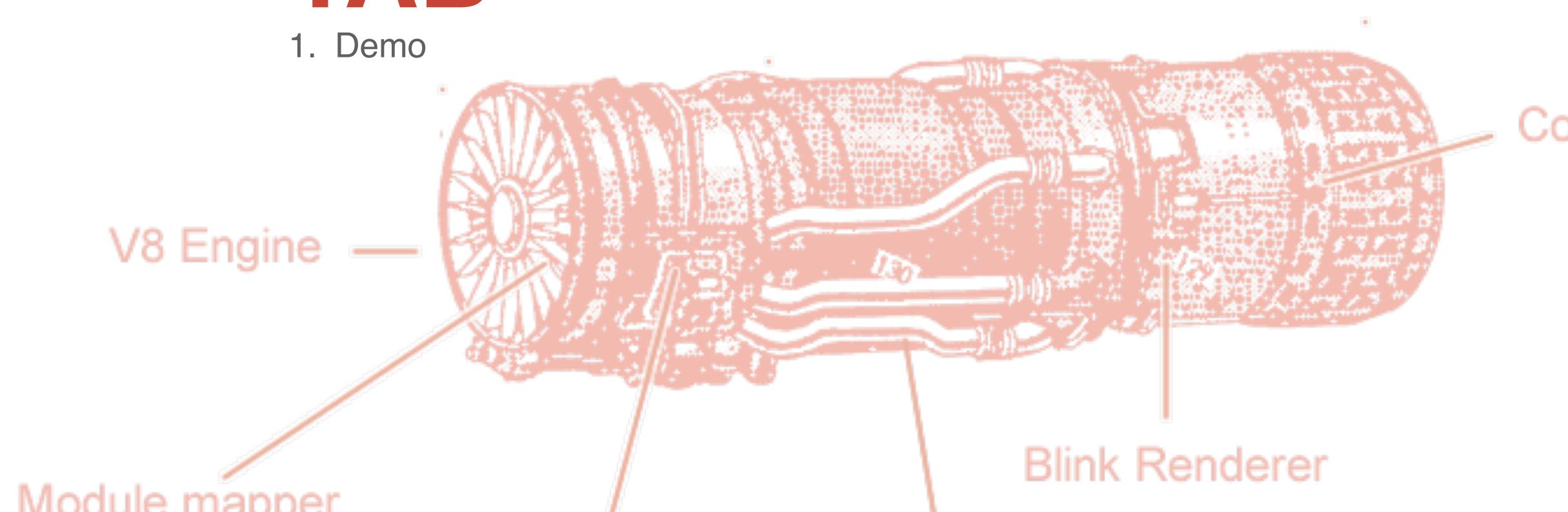
MEASURING PERFORMANCE



MEASURING PERF: DEVTOOLS PERFORMANCE



MEASURING PERF: DEVTOOLS AUDITS TAB



OPTIMIZATIONS

OPTIMIZATIONS: NETWORK DOWNLOAD

- Use less bandwidth
- Limit the use of large images
- Use responsive images
- Limit network requests
 - Especially if you're not using HTTP/2 (aka h2)

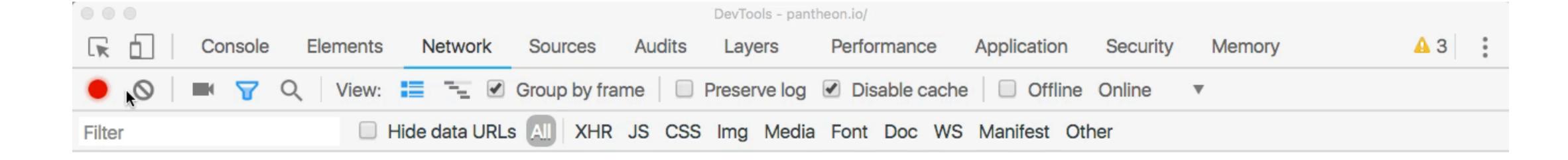
DevTools - www.lullabot.com/									
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61 requests 6.8 MB transferred Finish: 54.2 min DOMContentLoaded: 1.31 s Load: 5.97 s									

PRPL PATTERN

- Push critical resources for the initial URL route.
- Render initial route.
- Pre-cache remaining routes.
- Lazy-load and create remaining routes on demand.

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Recording network activity...

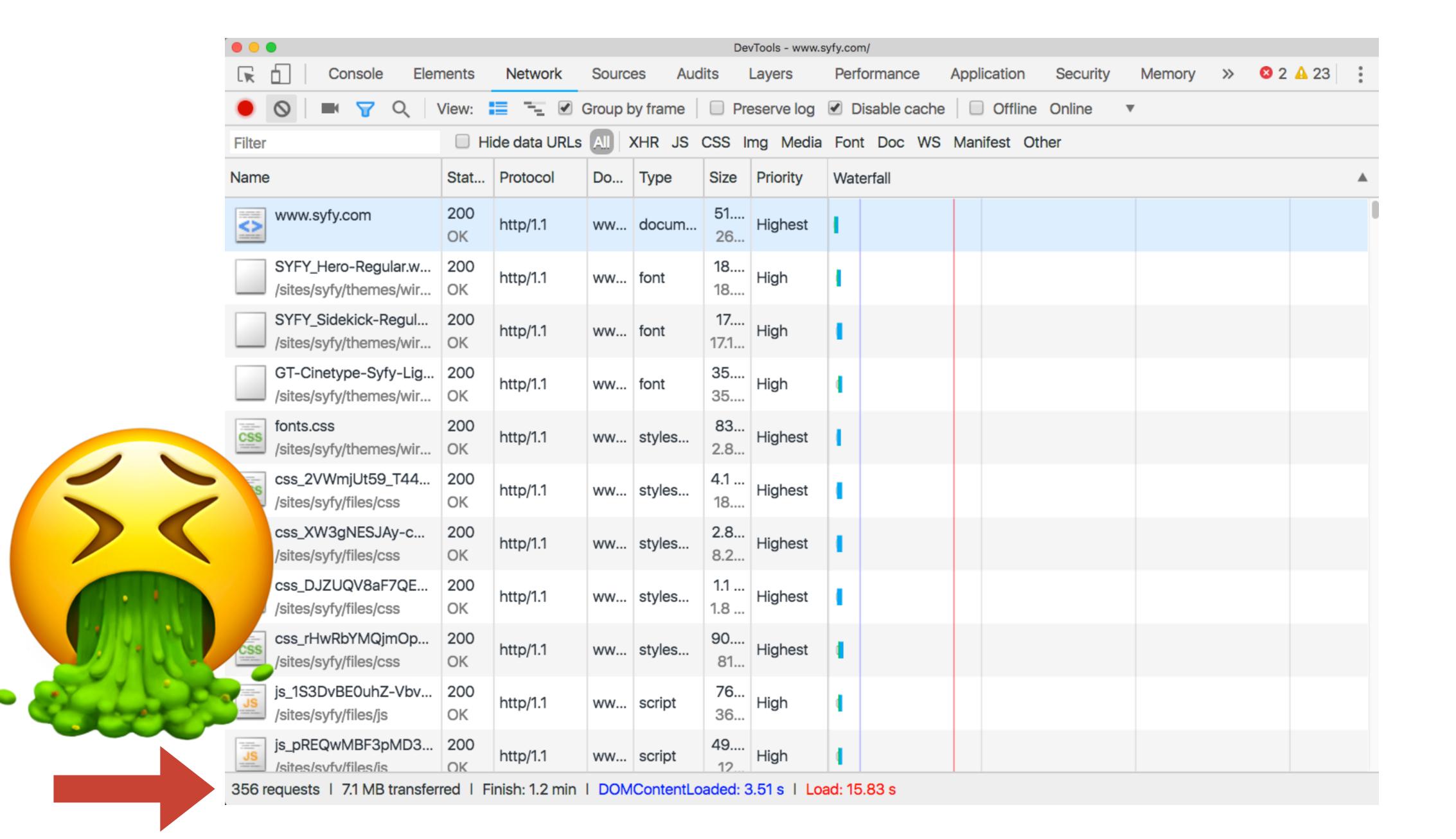
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RESOURCE HINTS

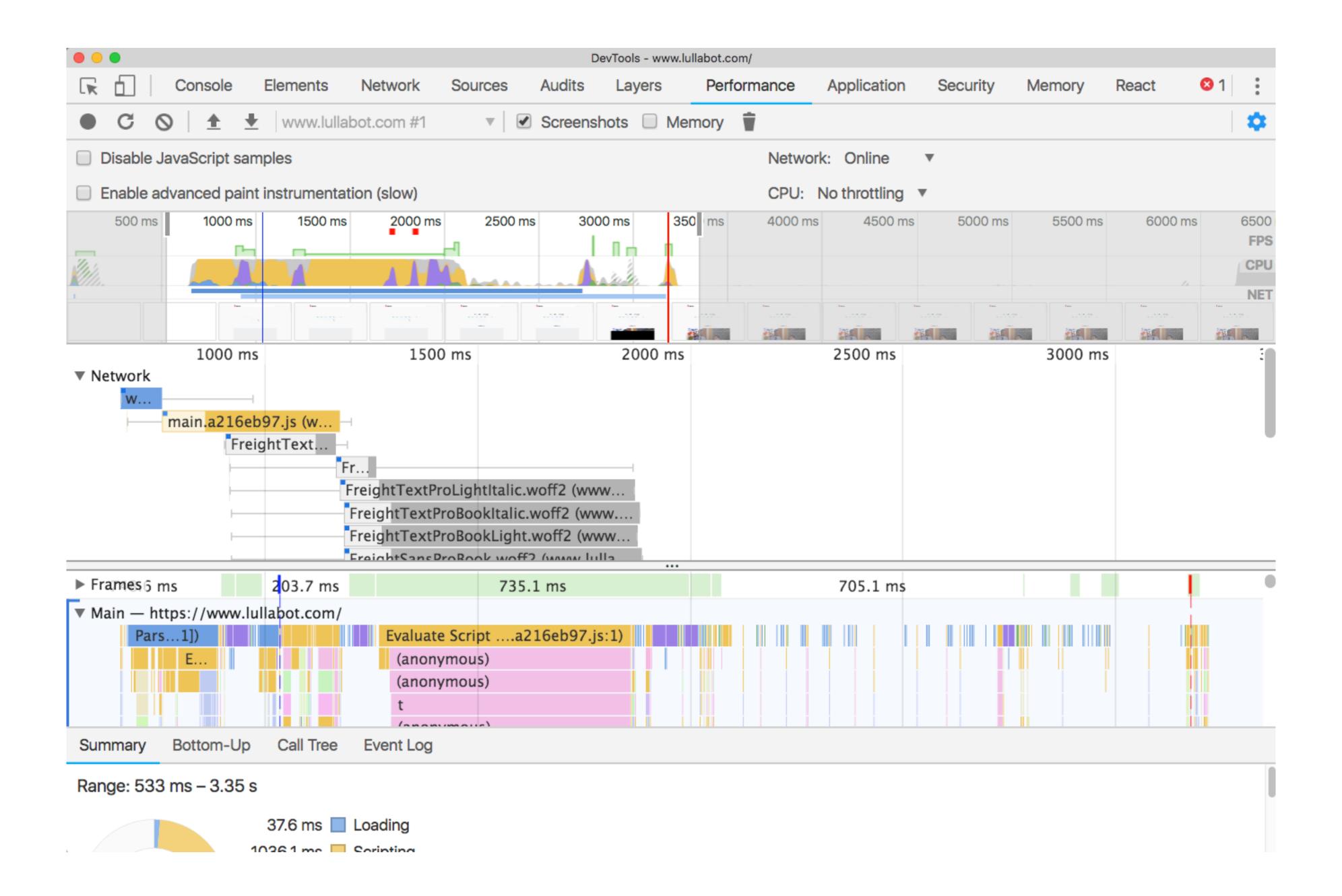
Link tags inserted in <HEAD> that tell the browser to reach out and download or connect to resources

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link rel='dns-prefetch' ...
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link rel='preconnect' ...
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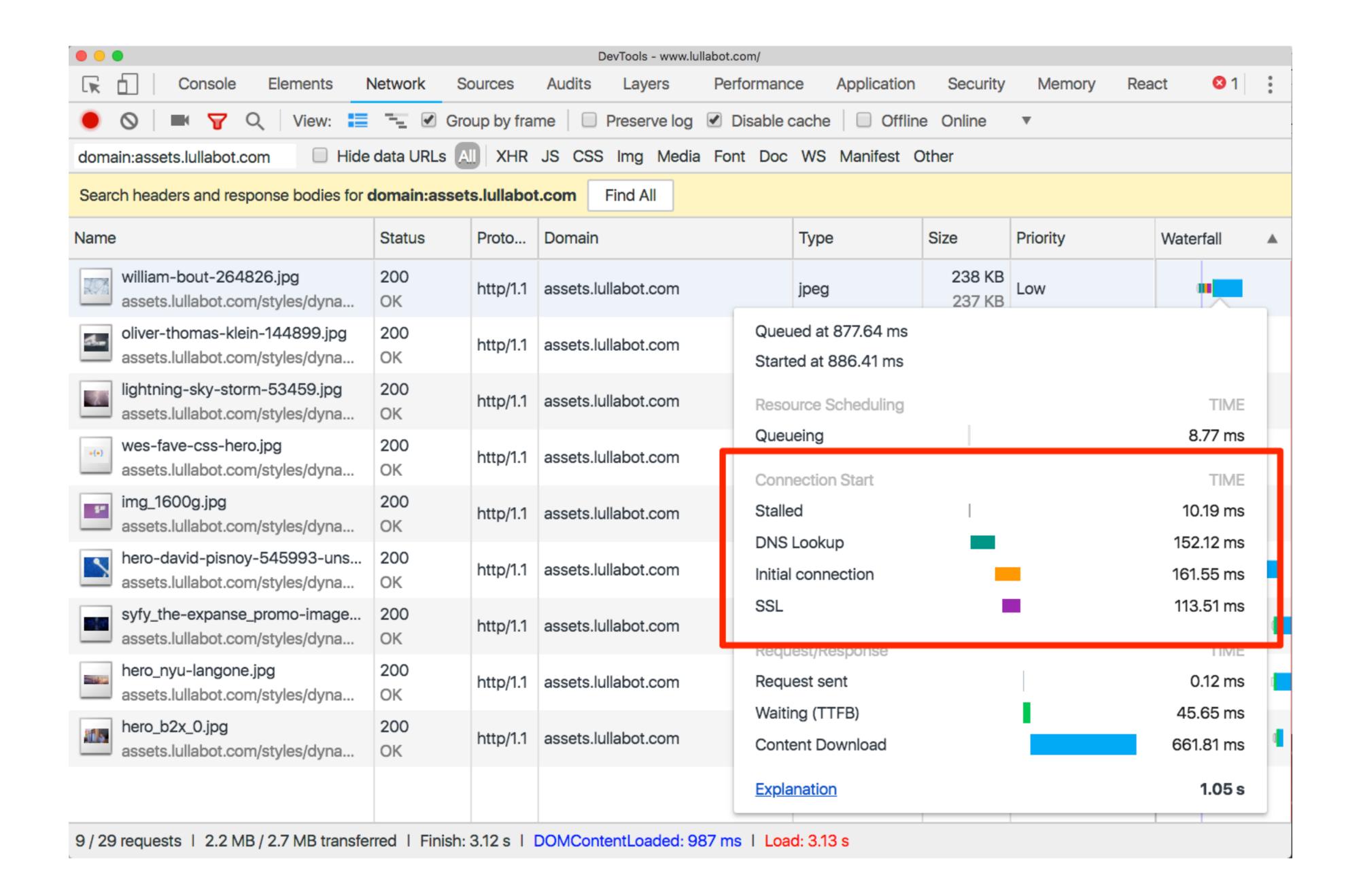
PRELOAD IN ACTION

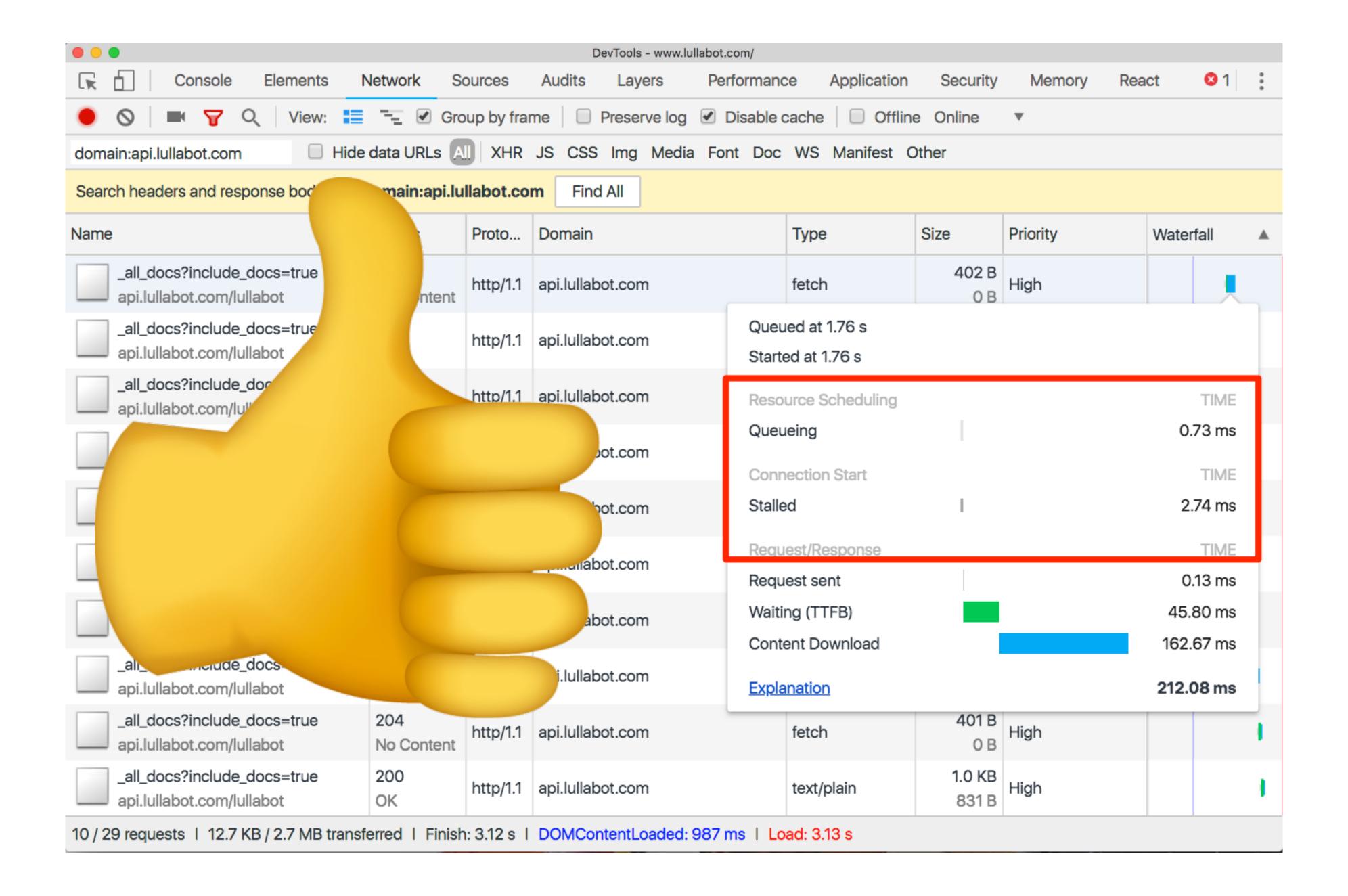
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       <meta name="theme-color" content="#000000">
      <link rel="manifest" href="/manifest.json">
       <link rel="icon" type="image/png" href="/favicon.png" />
       <title>Lullabot</title>
       <link href="https://api.lullabot.com" rel="preconnect" crossorigin>
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         @font-face {
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          font-family: 'FreightTextPro';
          font-weight: 300;
          font-style: normal;
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          src: url('/fonts/FreightTextProBookLight.woff2') format('woff2'), url('/fonts/FreightTextProBookLight.woff') format('woff')
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         @font-face {
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PRECONNECT IN ACTION

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       <style type="text/css">
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           font-style: normal;
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         @font-face {
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           font-weight: 300;
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           font-style: italic;
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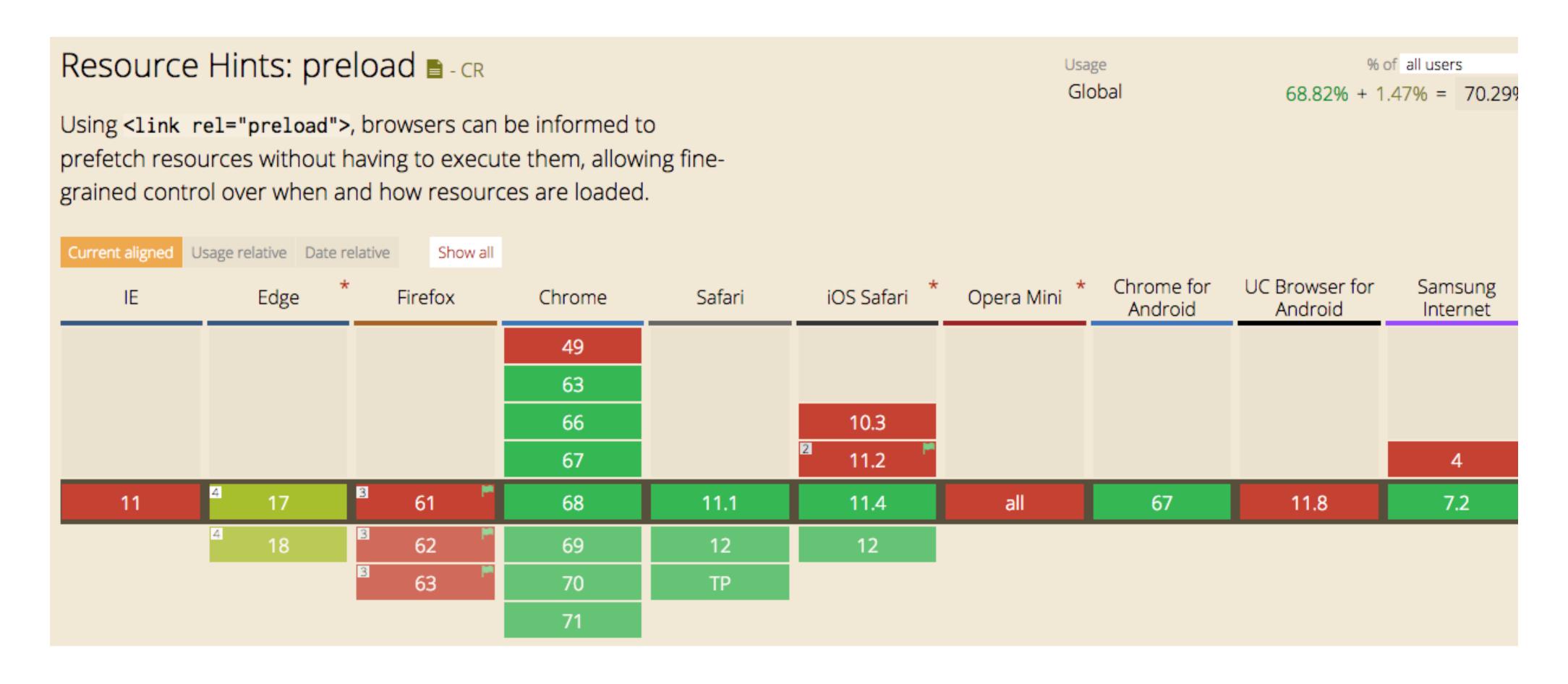




ALL TOGETHER NOW...

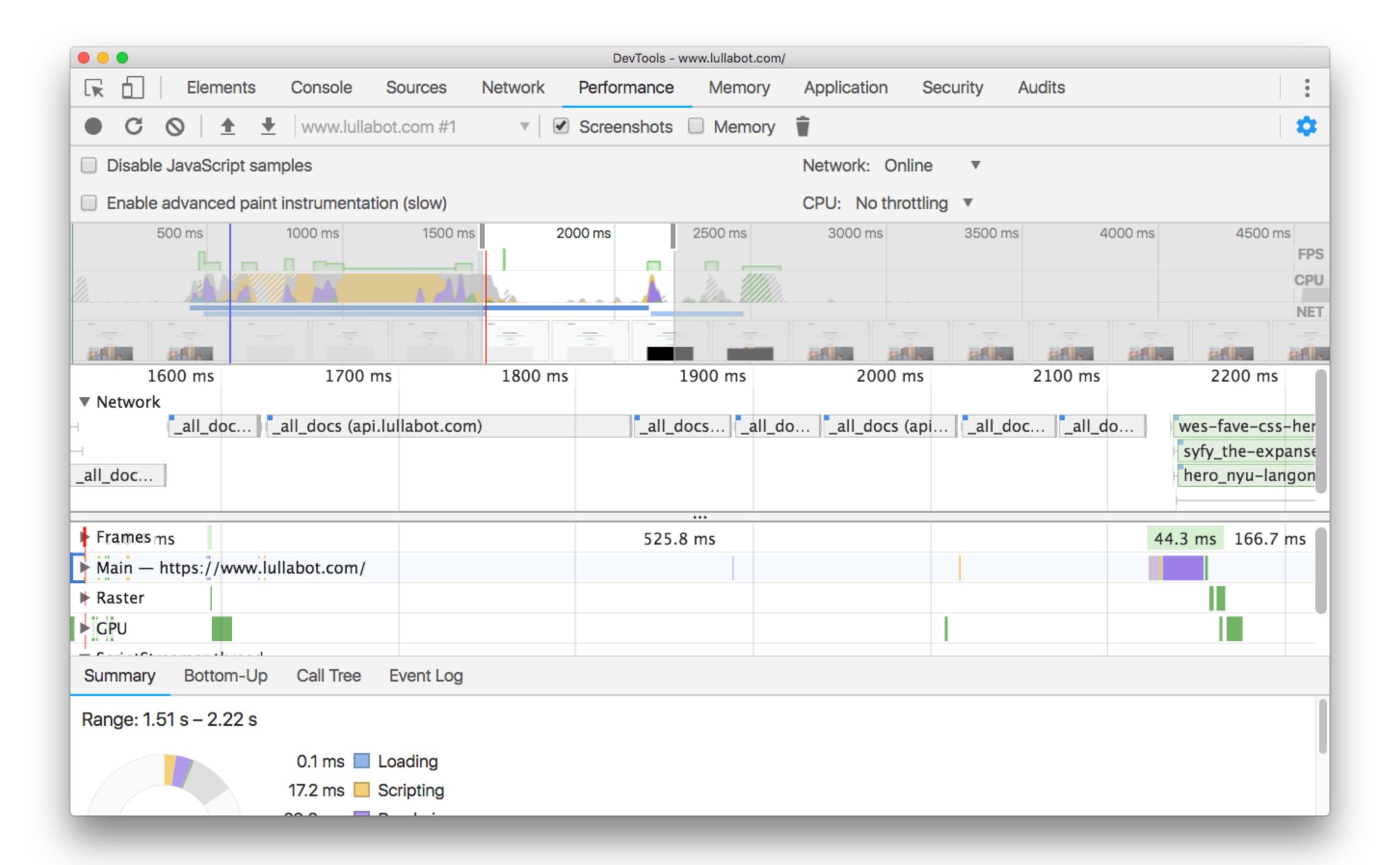
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  function r(n) {
   if (!t[n]) {
     var o = t[n] = {
      exports: {}
     e[n][0].call(o.exports, function (t) {
      var o = e[n][1][t];
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START USING TODAY!

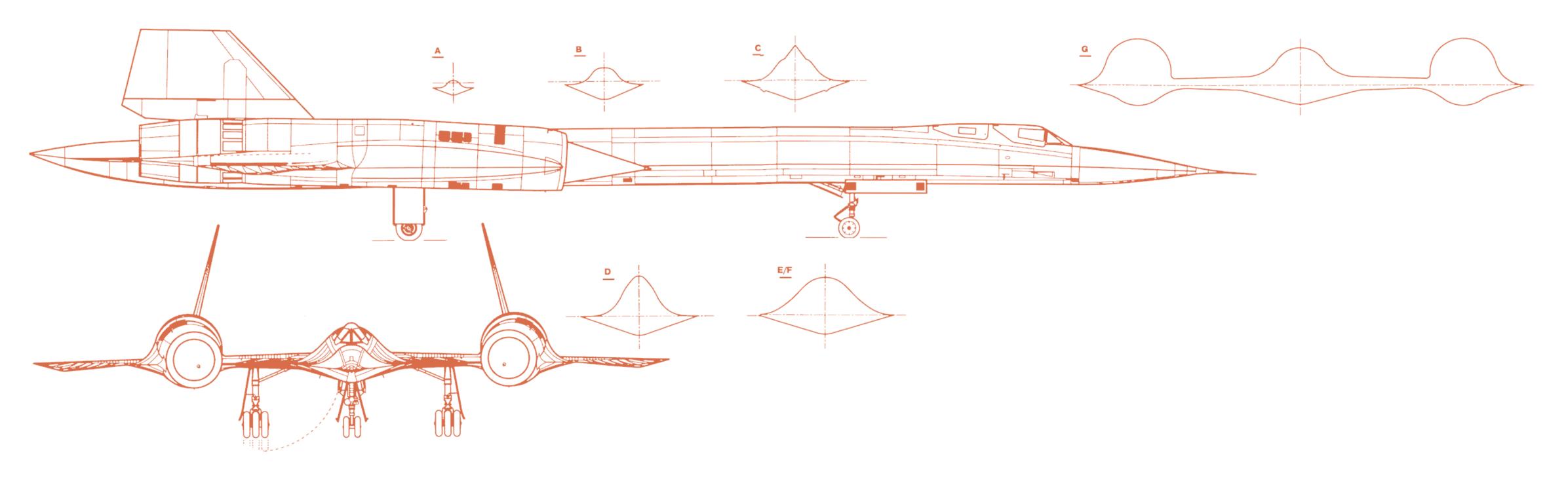


OPTIMIZATIONS: NETWORK

Avoid chaining dependencies (eg. ES6 imports triggering file download, which triggers another file download etc)

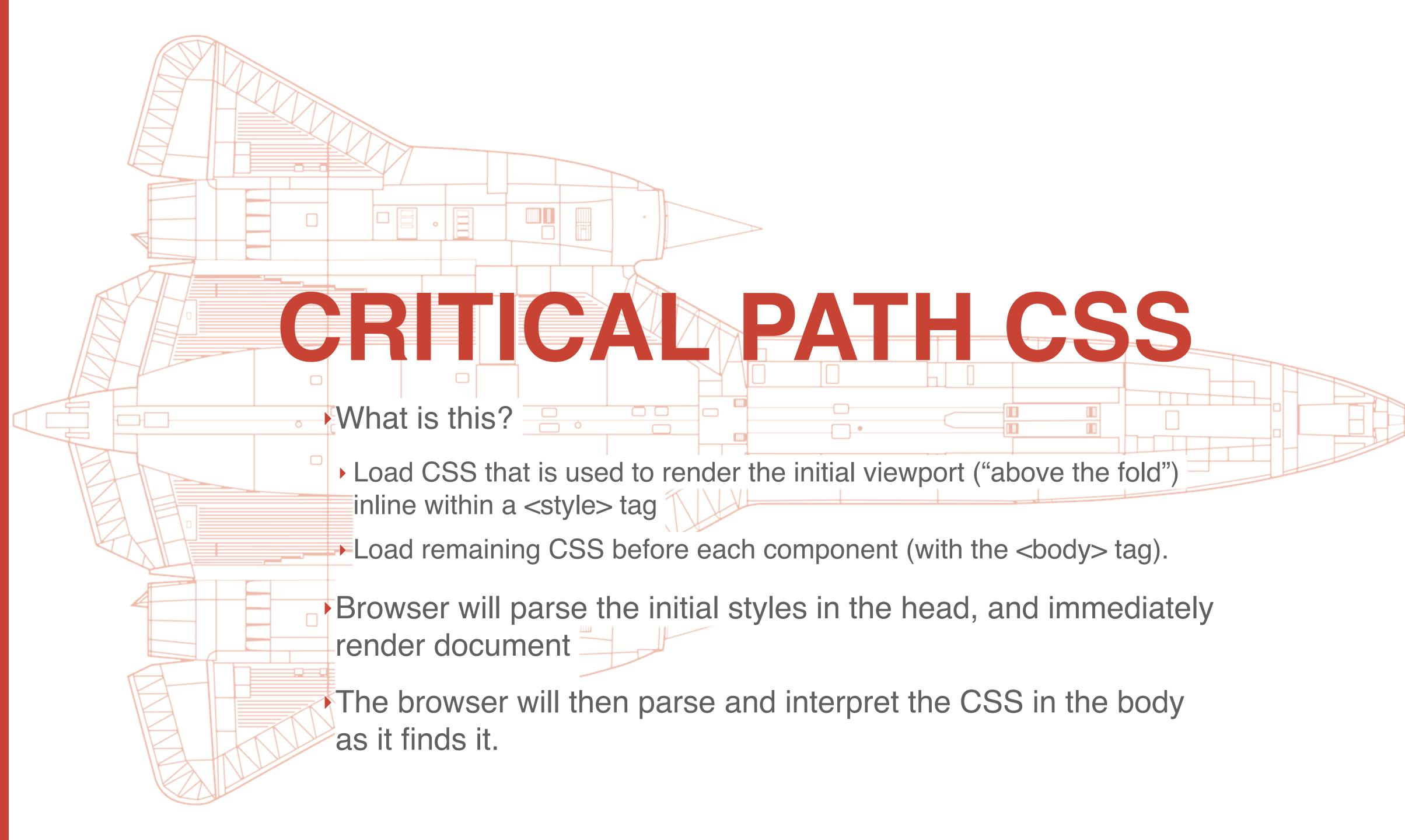


OPTIMIZATIONS: RENDERING





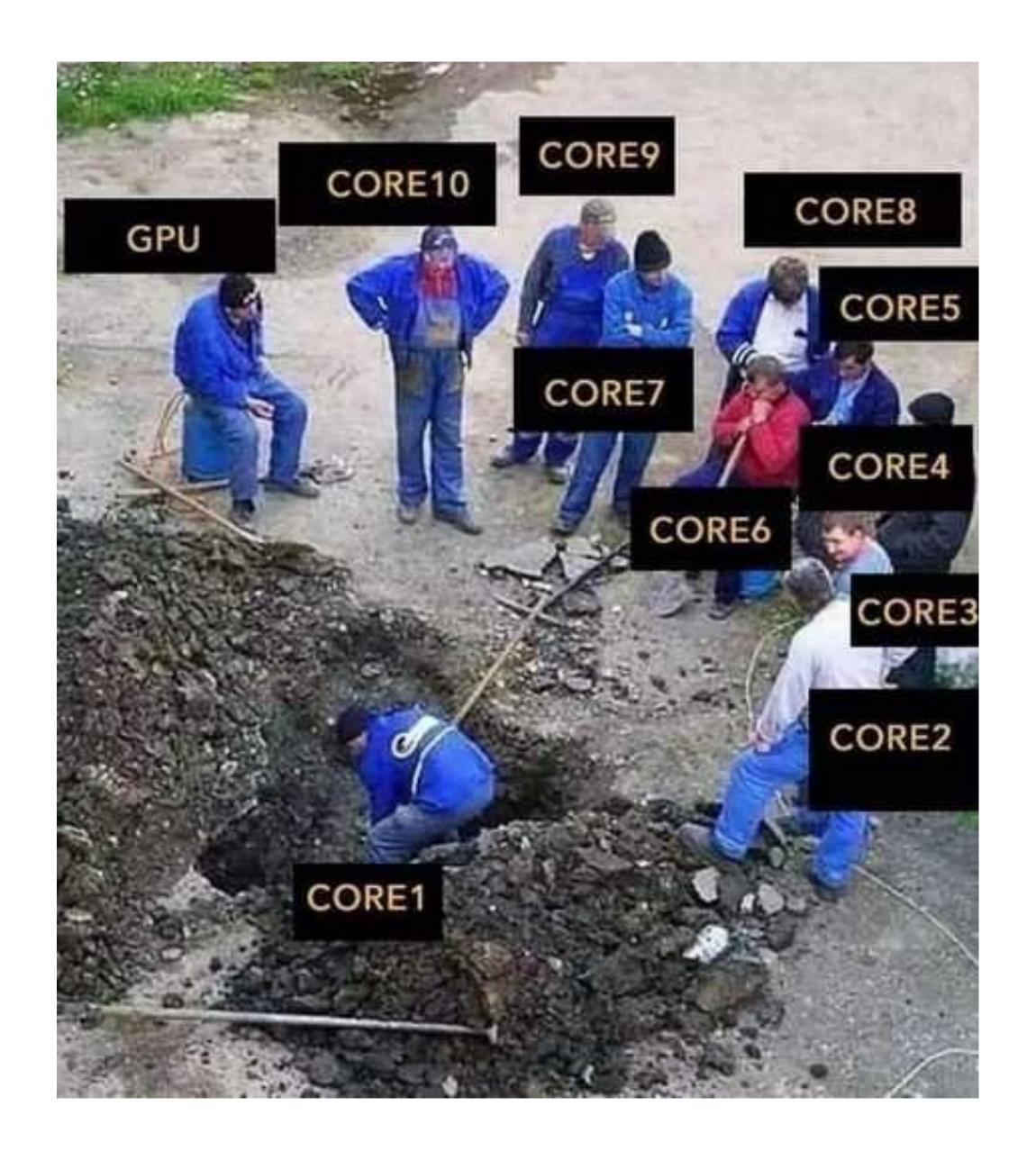
- Avoid inlining images via Base64 encoding
- Avoid large stylesheets —
- Follow best practices and componentize your styles. Make them easy to delete
- Don't worry about selector performance.
- Inline CSS for critical path
- Split up monolithic stylesheets
- Chrome developer tools has a coverage tool that will help ID unused CSS (and JS).



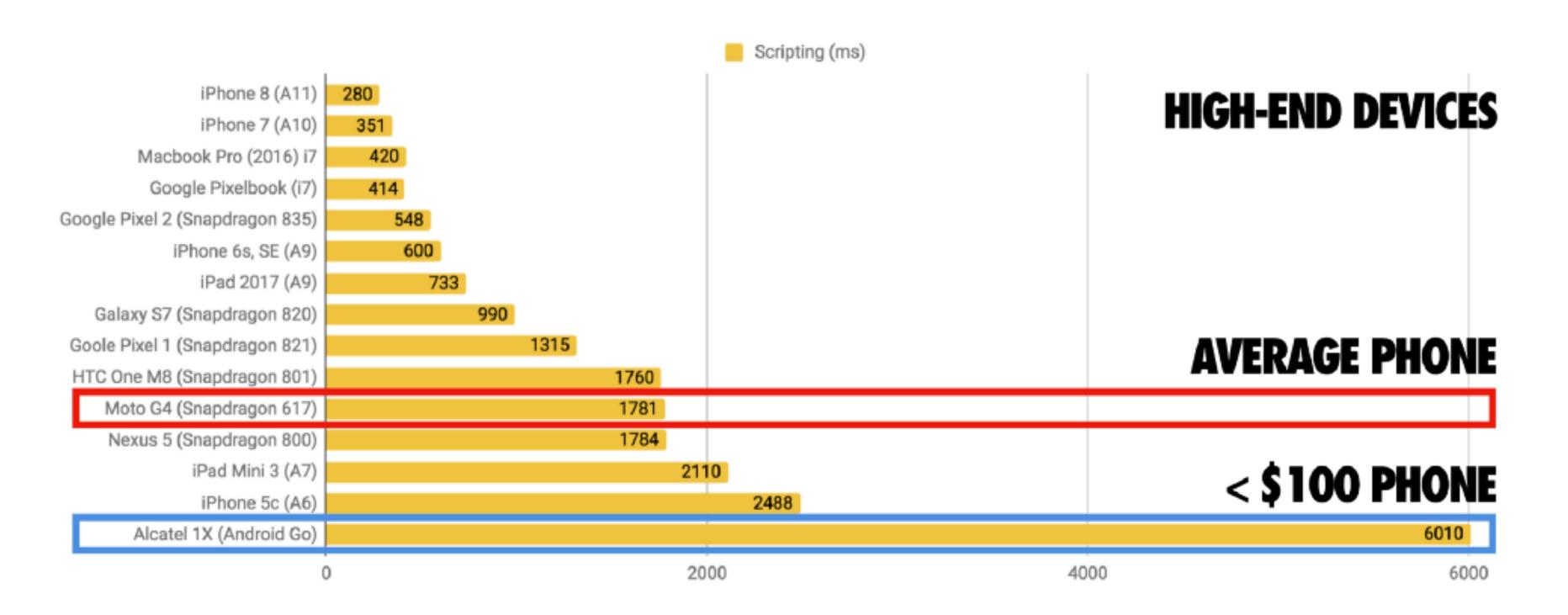
OPTIMIZE YOUR JAVASCRIPT

Less JavaScript the better!

JAVASCRIPT MAIN THREAD EXECUTION



2018 JAVASCRIPT PROCESSING TIMES



Tests run during July, 2018 on hardware running the latest versions of Android and iOS available

1MB JS UNCOMPRESSED (200KB min/compressed)

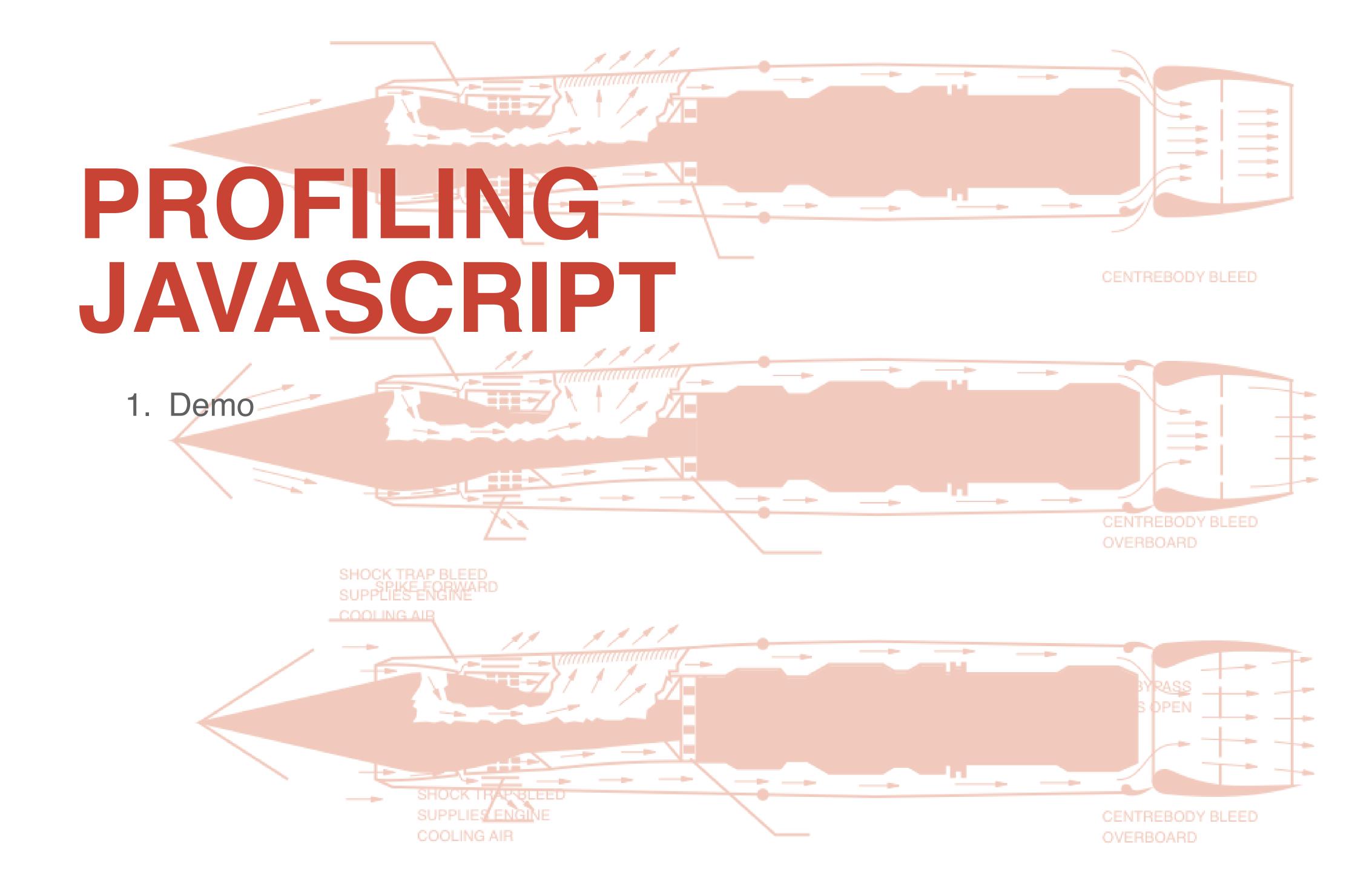
Processing (parse/compile) times for 1MB of uncompressed JavaScript (<200KB minified and gzipped) manually profiled on real devices. (src)

https://medium.com/@addyosmani/the-cost-of-javascript-in-2018-7d8950fbb5d4

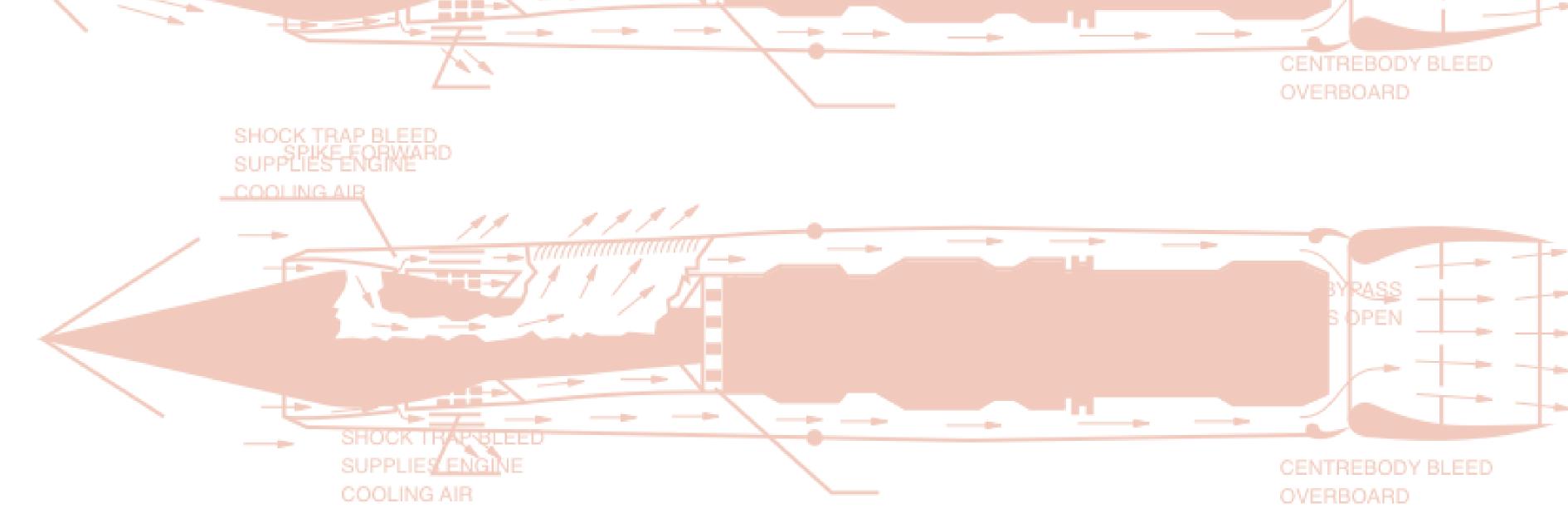
OPTIMIZE YOUR JAVASCRIPT

- Less JavaScript the better!
- Identify unused code through Chrome DevTools coverage tool.
- Identify & & third party scripts.
- Code split
- Either automatically through build tool (webpack)
- or through (D7) drupal_add_js() or Libraries API (D8)
- Virtual DOM fixes this









KEY TAKEAWAYS (START DOING THIS TODAY!)

- Learn how to identify performance issues
 - Learn the metrics
 - Practice measuring these
 - Find the bottlenecks on your site!
- Less JavaScript
- Start using resource hints today!
 - Preload your fonts!
- Async and then preload your scripts

MAKE THE WEB A BETTER PLACE!

Don't let proprietary solutions win!

THANK YOU!

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