Using HTML5 Offline Storage

Net deprived

Session 515

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Introduction

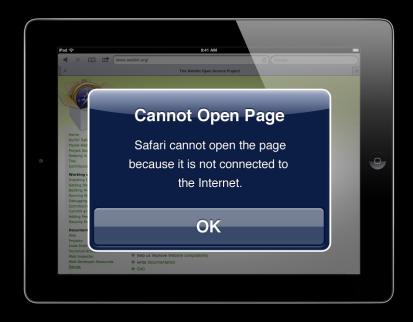






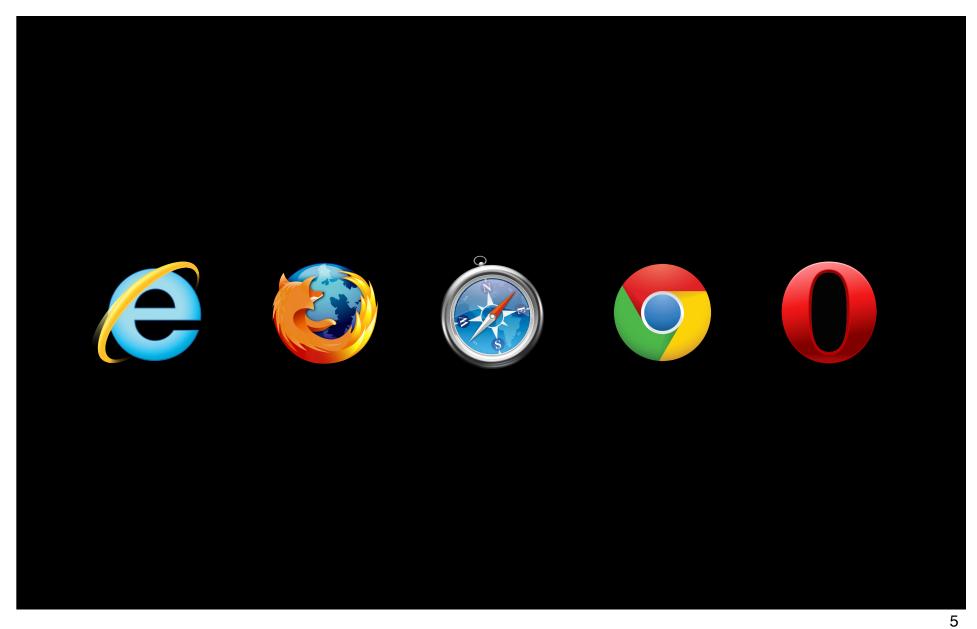
- Work on cellular networks
- Or offline

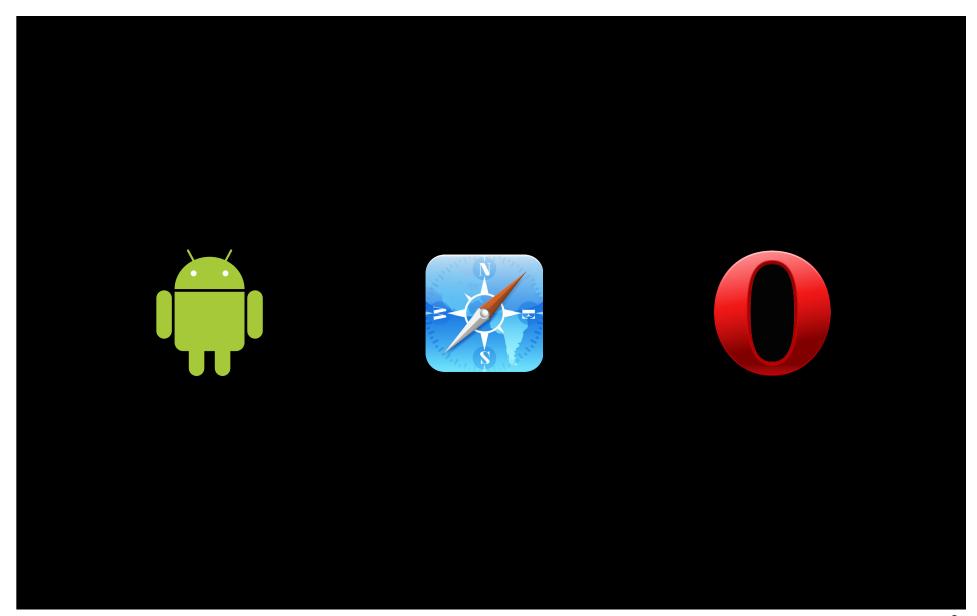
Introduction



The Goals

- Make sites load faster
- Cope with loss of network
- Implement it quickly





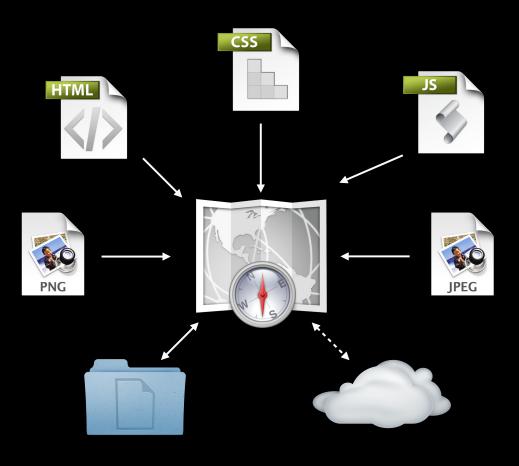
Agenda

- Offline technologies
- Debugging
- What's new

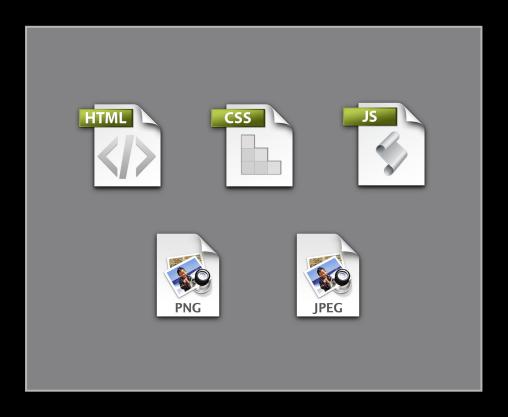
Storing Resources Offline

HTML5 offline application cache

What a Web Application Needs



Application Resources



Application Cache

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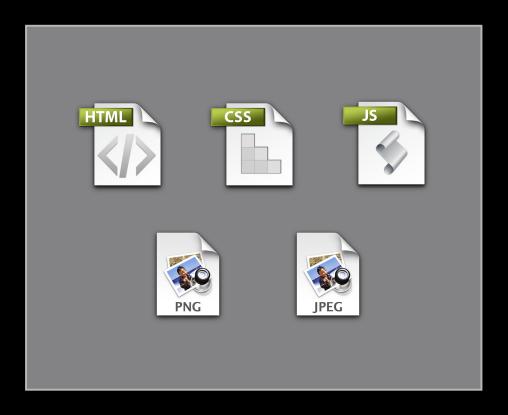
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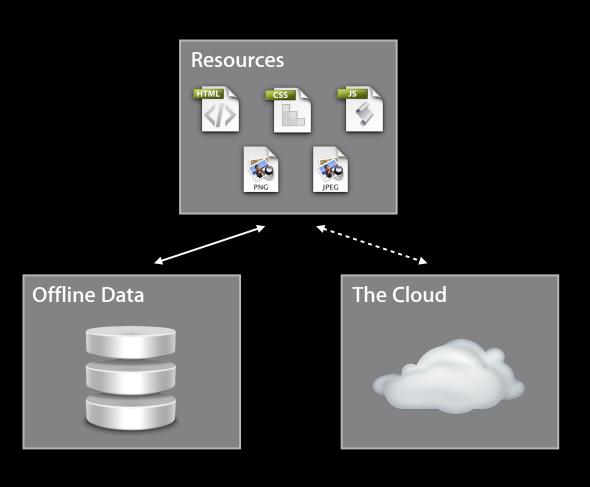


Cached Resources





Application Resources and Data



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Resources

Application Cache

Offline Data

- Local Storage
- SQL Database

The Cloud

• XMLHttpRequest

- Blocked by default
- Makes development easier
- Can be allowed for some URLs

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Offline Applications for iOS

```
<meta name="apple-mobile-w
content="yes">
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content="black">
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<link rel="apple-touch-ico
href="/custom_icon.p</pre>

<link rel="apple-touch-sta
href="/startup.png">



Application Cache Update Deploying new versions of the application

- Old and new resources are never mixed
- Cache manifest content is checked
 - So, change the manifest when changing resources
- A new version of the application is not used on existing pages

Providing Feedback

- Downloading is transparent in Safari
- DOM events for custom UI

```
checking
noupdate
downloading
progress
cached
updateready
obsolete
error
```

Demo

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What Users Will See

User's Point of View



- Privacy implications
- Safari shows what sites have left traces
- A user can empty application cache and data storage

iOS Website Data Settings



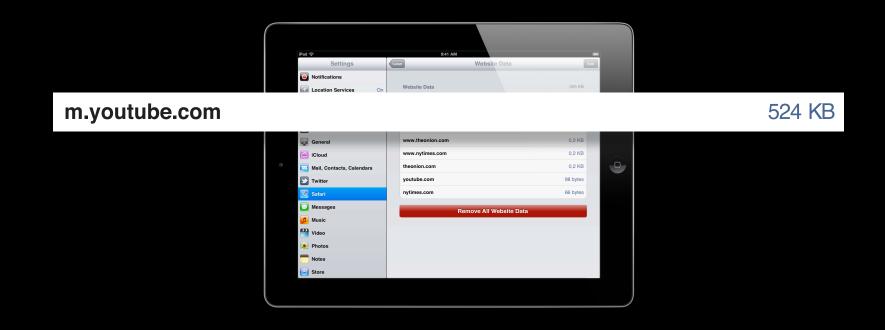
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Remove All Website Data



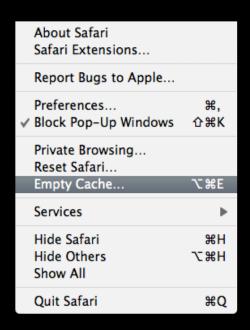




View sites that have stored data locally



Reset Safari and Empty Cache General maintenance



Storing and Synchronizing Data

Synchronizing User Data

- Users expect transparent saving
- Cannot save to the server when offline
- Constantly saving affects performance and battery life

Synchronizing User Data How often should I sync?

- How much work can the user afford to lose?
- Save locally when offline
 - ...or for better performance
- Handle beforeunload and pagehide events to synchronize immediately

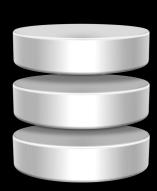
Cookies



- Size limit
- Sent to server
- Unusual security model

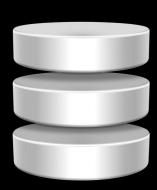
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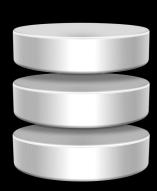
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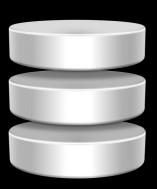


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- Real-world SQL
- Asynchronous and callback-based
- Origin-based security



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db.transaction(function(tx) {
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        "SELECT name, company FROM WWDCAttendees", [], function(tx, result) {
        for (var i = 0; i < result.rows.length; ++i) {
            var row = result.rows.item(i);
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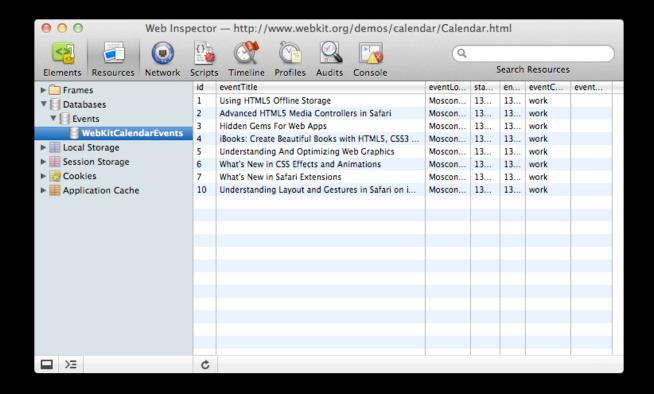
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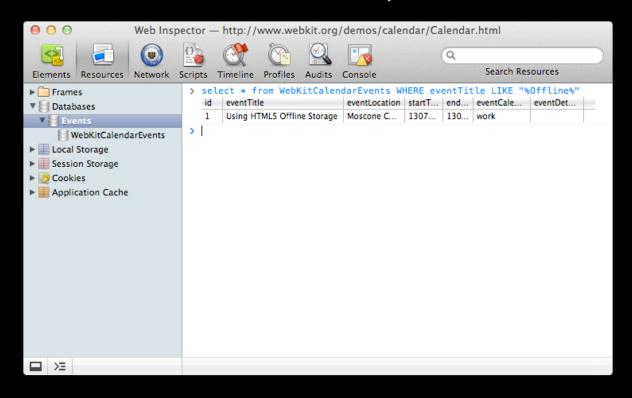
Debugging Offline Applications

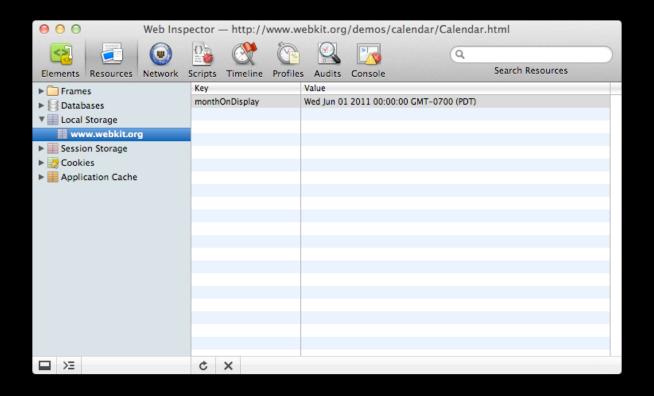
If Nothing Works

- Web Inspector console
- Web Inspector Resources pane
- Log progress events

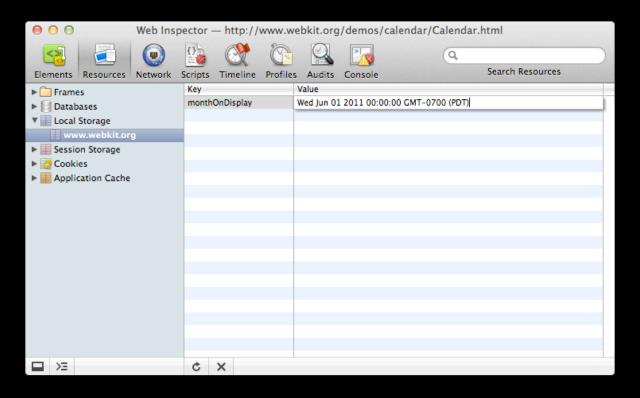


SQL Database Execute arbitrary SQL

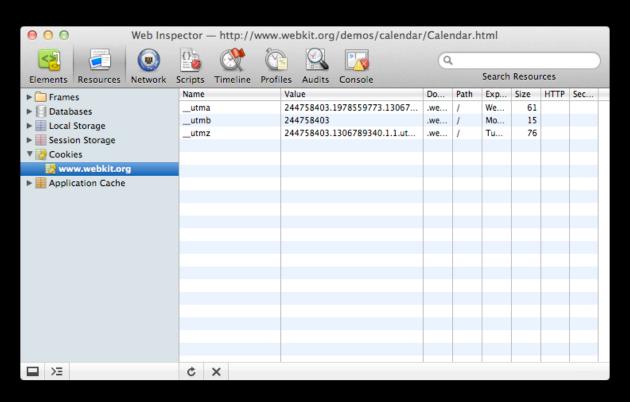




Editable view

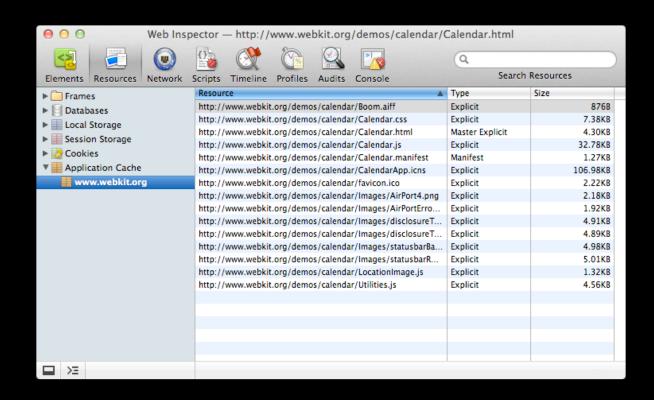


Cookies View and delete cookies



Application Cache





Summary

- Offline technologies are essential on mobile
- The platform has gotten more powerful
- Safari offers great development tools

More Information

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HTML5 Application Cache Specification

http://www.whatwg.org/html

HTML5 Web Storage Specification

http://dev.w3.org/html5/webstorage

HTML5 Web SQL Database Specification

http://dev.w3.org/html5/webdatabase

More Information

WebKit Open Source Project

http://www.webkit.org/ #webkit on irc.freenode.net

Safari Dev Center

http://developer.apple.com/safari

Apple Developer Forums

http://devforums.apple.com

Sessions

Hidden Gems for Web Apps

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Labs

| Safari Extensions Lab | Internet and Web Lab A Thursday 4:30PM |
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| HTML5 Offline Storage Lab | Internet and Web Lab B Friday 9:00AM |

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