

# Promises

(= Monadic Futures)

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# Synchronous vs Async

JAVASCRIPT

```
// add two numbers normally

function add (num1, num2) {
  return num1 + num2;
}

const result = add(1, 2); // you get result = 3 immediately
```

JAVASCRIPT

```
// add two numbers remotely

// get the result by calling an API
const result = getAddResultFromServer('http://www.example.com?num1=1&num2=2');
// you get result = "undefined"
```

# Before Promises (using callbacks)

JAVASCRIPT

```
// add two numbers remotely
// get the result by calling an API

function addAsync (num1, num2, callback) {
  // use the famous jQuery getJSON callback API
  return $.getJSON('http://www.example.com', {
    num1: num1,
    num2: num2
  }, callback);
}

addAsync(1, 2, success => {
  // callback
  const result = success; // you get result = 3 here
});
```

# Subsequent Actions

JAVASCRIPT

```
// add two numbers normally

let resultA, resultB, resultC;

function add (num1, num2) {
  return num1 + num2;
}

resultA = add(1, 2); // you get resultA = 3 immediately
resultB = add(resultA, 3); // you get resultB = 6 immediately
resultC = add(resultB, 4); // you get resultC = 10 immediately

console.log('total' + resultC);
console.log(resultA, resultB, resultC);
```

# Using multiple actions (callback hell)

```
// add two numbers remotely
// get the result by calling an API

let resultA, resultB, resultC;

function addAsync (num1, num2, callback) {
  // use the famous jQuery getJSON callback API
  return $.getJSON('http://www.example.com', {
    num1: num1,
    num2: num2
  }, callback);
}

addAsync(1, 2, success => {
  // callback 1
  resultA = success; // you get result = 3 here

  addAsync(resultA, 3, success => {
    // callback 2
    resultB = success; // you get result = 6 here

    addAsync(resultB, 4, success => {
      // callback 3
      resultC = success; // you get result = 10 here

      console.log('total' + resultC);
      console.log(resultA, resultB, resultC);
    });
  });
});
```

# Using Promises

- Will be repeated at the end.
- Escape from callback hell.

```
// add two numbers remotely using observable

let resultA, resultB, resultC;

function addAsync(num1, num2) {
  // use ES6 fetch API, which return a promise
  return fetch(`http://www.example.com?num1=${num1}&num2=${num2}`)
    .then(x => x.json());
}

addAsync(1, 2)
  .then(success => {
    resultA = success;
    return resultA;
  })
  .then(success => addAsync(success, 3))
  .then(success => {
    resultB = success;
    return resultB;
  })
  .then(success => addAsync(success, 4))
  .then(success => {
    resultC = success;
    return resultC;
  })
  .then(success => {
    console.log('total: ' + success)
    console.log(resultA, resultB, resultC)
  });
```

# Promises

- 3 states
  - Pending
  - Resolved
  - Rejected
- Special functions:
  - resolve()
  - reject()

```
/* ES5 */
var isMomHappy = false;

// Promise
var willIGetNewPhone = new Promise(
  function (resolve, reject) {
    if (isMomHappy) {
      var phone = {
        brand: 'Samsung',
        color: 'black'
      };
      resolve(phone); // fulfilled
    } else {
      var reason = new Error('mom is not happy');
      reject(reason); // reject
    }
  }
);
```

# Consuming Promises

- Special functions
  - then()
  - catch()
- Makes it monadic

```
/* ES5 */
...

// call our promise
var askMom = function () {
  willIGetNewPhone
    .then(function (fulfilled) {
      // yay, you got a new phone
      console.log(fulfilled);
      // output: { brand: 'Samsung', color: 'black' }
    })
    .catch(function (error) {
      // oops, mom don't buy it
      console.log(error.message);
      // output: 'mom is not happy'
    });
};

askMom();
```



# Chaining Promises

```
...  
  
// 2nd promise  
var showOff = function (phone) {  
  return new Promise(  
    function (resolve, reject) {  
      var message = 'Hey friend, I have a new ' +  
        phone.color + ' ' + phone.brand + ' phone';  
  
      resolve(message);  
    }  
  );  
};
```

```
// call our promise  
var askMom = function () {  
  willIGetNewPhone  
  .then(showOff) // chain it here  
  .then(function (fulfilled) {  
    console.log(fulfilled);  
    // output: 'Hey friend, I have a new black Samsung phone.'  
  })  
  .catch(function (error) {  
    // oops, mom don't buy it  
    console.log(error.message);  
    // output: 'mom is not happy'  
  });  
};
```

# Promises are Asynchronous

- Flattens the callbacks using then()

JAVASCRIPT

```
// call our promise
var askMom = function () {
  console.log('before asking Mom'); // log before
  willIGetNewPhone
    .then(showOff)
    .then(function (fulfilled) {
      console.log(fulfilled);
    })
    .catch(function (error) {
      console.log(error.message);
    });
  console.log('after asking mom'); // log after
}
```

TXT

1. before asking Mom
2. after asking mom
3. Hey friend, I have a new black Samsung phone.

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    .then(x => x.json());
}

addAsync(1, 2)
  .then(success => {
    resultA = success;
    return resultA;
  })
  .then(success => addAsync(success, 3))
  .then(success => {
    resultB = success;
    return resultB;
  })
  .then(success => addAsync(success, 4))
  .then(success => {
    resultC = success;
    return resultC;
  })
  .then(success => {
    console.log('total: ' + success)
    console.log(resultA, resultB, resultC)
  });
```