

Promise Structure

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const dog = await Dog.findById(1)  
console.log(dog)
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// promises
Dog.findById(1)
  .then(dog => {
    console.log(dog)
  })
```

Need to use .then and the callback to unwrap the value

```
// async/await
try {
  const dog = await Dog.byId(1)
  console.log(dog)
} catch (err) {
  console.log(err)
}
```

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// async/await
try {
  const dog = await Dog.findById(1)
  console.log(dog)
} catch (err) {
  console.log(err)
}

// promises
Dog.findById(1)
  .then(dog => {
    console.log(dog) // success
  })
  .catch(err => {
    console.log(err) // err
  })
```

.then

- **Accepts up to two arguments (both technically optional)**
 - “Success” callback
 - “Error” callback
- **If the promise resolves (succeeds)**
 - “Success” callback is invoked with the value
- **If the promise rejects (fails)**
 - “Error” callback is invoked with the value

.then

- You can attach as many of these at you want, whenever you want

```
const promiseForDogs = Dog.findAll()

promiseForDogs.then(dog => {
  console.log('Got a dog over here: ', dog)
})

promiseForDogs.then(dog => {
  console.log('Dog once again: ', dog)
})
```

Promise “chaining”

Promise chaining

- What if we want to do things in order?
 - I want to *this thing*, and **then** I want to do this other thing!
- Achieved by chaining promises
- The trick: every call to `.then` returns a new promise!

```
const p1 = Dog.findById(1)
```

```
const p1 = Dog.findById(1)
p1.then(dog => {
})
```

```
const p1 = Dog.findById(1)
const p2 = p1.then(dog => {
  })
```

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const p1 = Dog.findById(1)
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  })

// q: what is p2 a promise for?
```

```
const p1 = Dog.findById(1)
const p2 = p1.then(dog => {
  // a: whatever we return
  })           from this callback!
```

```
const p1 = Dog.findById(1)
const p2 = p1.then(dog => {
  return 5
})

p2.then(result => {
  console.log(result) // 5
})
```

```
const p1 = Dog.findById(1)
const p2 = p1.then(dog => {
  return dog.update()
})

p2.then(result => {
  console.log(result) // ?
})
```



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p2.then(result => {
  console.log(result) // the updated dog!
})
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// if a .then returns a promise, it is “flattened”

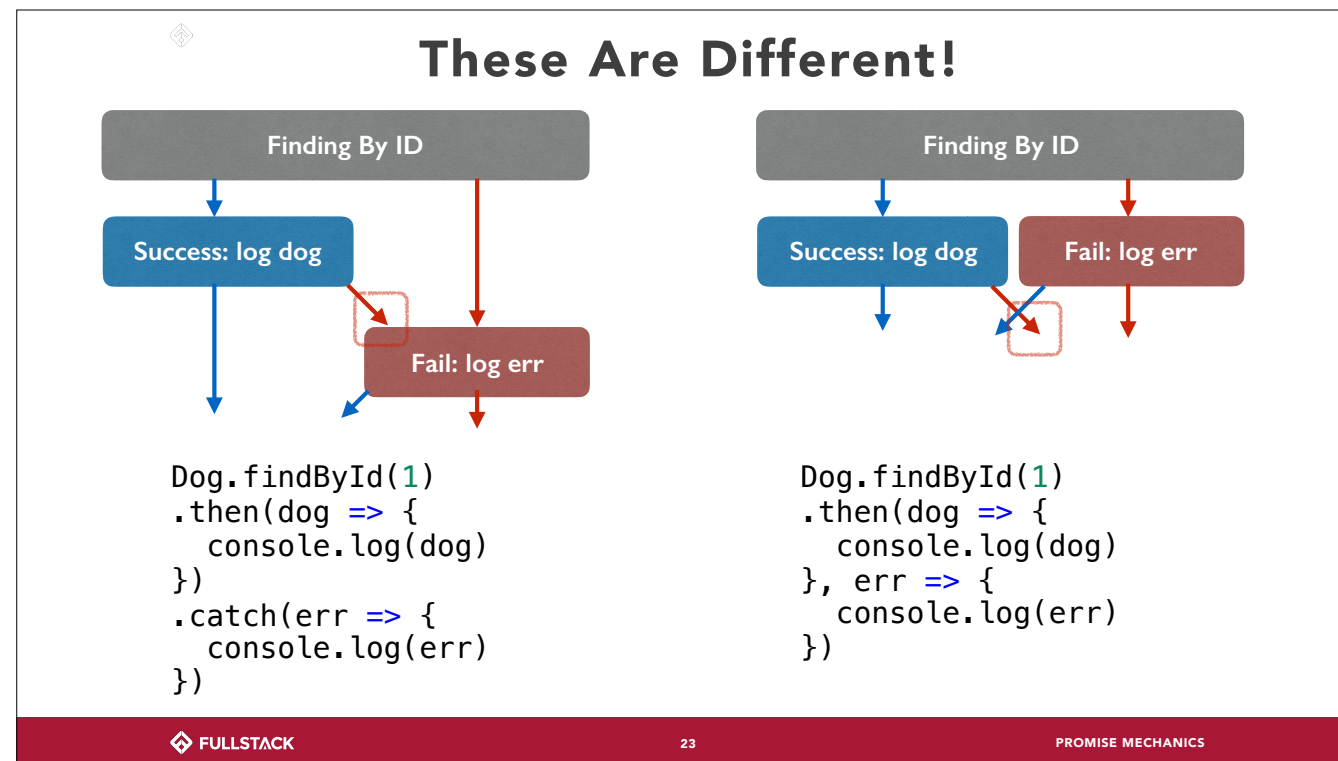
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  .then(result => {
    console.log(result) // the updated dog!
  })
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  .then(dog => {
    return dog.update() // what if this fails?
  })
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    console.log(result)
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  .catch(err => {
    console.error(err)
  })
```

.catch

- Just like `.then`, but only accepts an error handler
- In most cases you can use `.then` for success handlers, and `.catch` for error handlers
- Rejection will “bubble down” to the first error handler



Usually you will want to do the thing on the left. The thing on the right is useful in fairly rare cases.



Success



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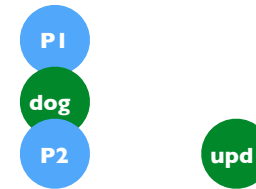
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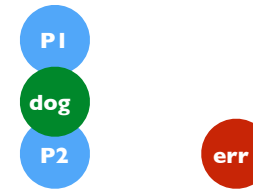
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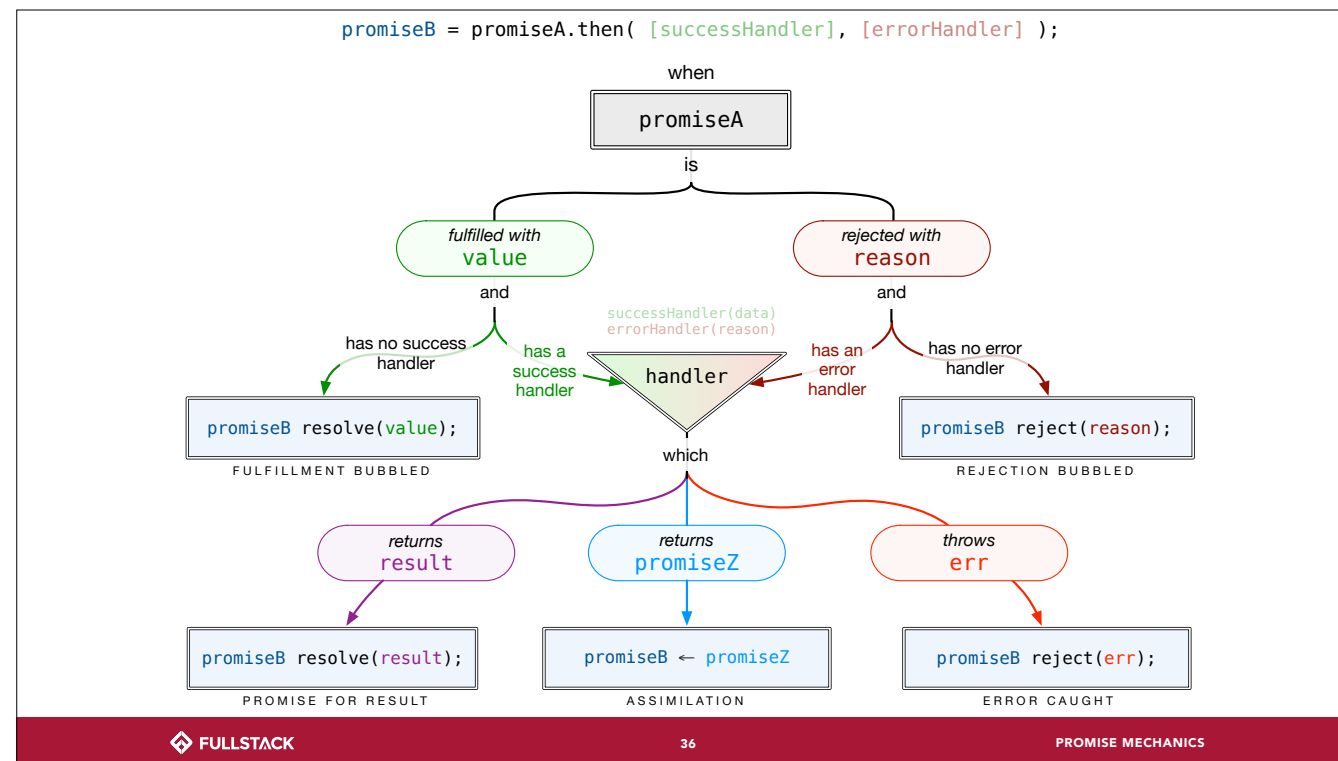
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P2

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Important: one start point (pA), five possible endpoints (pB), depending on: 1) have the right handler? 2) handler return something, or 3) handler throws an error?



External Resources for Further Reading

- [Kris Kowal & Domenic Denicola: Q \(great examples & resources\)](#)
- [The Promises/A+ Standard](#) (with use patterns and an example implementation)
- [We Have a Problem With Promises](#)
- [HTML5 Rocks: Promises](#) (deep walkthrough with use patterns)
- [DailyJS: Javascript Promises in Wicked Detail](#) (build an ES6-style implementation)
- [MDN: ES6 Promises](#) (upcoming native functions)
- [Promise Nuggets](#) (use patterns)
- [Promise Anti-Patterns](#)