# **Asynchronous Programming**



# Asynchronous requires changing how you thing about structuring performed



## Asynchorous

- How best to best perform multiple tasks at the same time
- Not just any tasks, but specifically tasks that involve waiting periods
- "While you wait for this task to complete, work on other tasks can be performed"

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• Each of your **three WaitBots** at different tables is waiting for one of the diners at their table to give their order. The **WineBot** has already prepared 17 drinks, which are now **waiting** to be collected (it took only a few seconds), and is **waiting** for a new drink order. One of the **GreetBots** has greeted a new party of guests and told them they need to **wait** a minute to be seated, and is **waiting** for the guests to respond. The other GreetBot, now processing a credit card payment for another guest that is leaving, is **waiting** for confirmation on the payment gateway device. Even the ChefBot, who is currently cooking 35 meals, is not actually doing anything at this moment, but is simply **waiting** for one of the meals to complete cooking so that it can be plated up and handed over to a WaitBot.

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- On Sunday, you add a data collection module to your ThreadBots. For each ThreadBot, you're measuring how much time is spent waiting and how much is spent actively doing work. Over the course of the following week, the data is collected.
- Then on Sunday evening, you analyze the results. It turns out that even when
  your restaurant is at full capacity, the most hard-working ThreadBot is idle
  about 98% of the time. The ThreadBots are so enormously efficient that they
  can perform any task in fractions of a second.