

ES7 Async Functions

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Road to Async Functions

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Promises

```
var promise = User.findByEmail( 'theturtle32@gmail.com' );  
promise.then(user => console.log(user.name));
```


Promises

```
var promise = User.findByEmail('theturtle32@gmail.com');  
promise.then(user => console.log(user.name));  
promise.catch(error => console.log(error));
```


Promises

https://developer.mozilla.org/en-US/docs/Web/JavaScript/Reference/Global_Objects/Promise

Iterators, Iterables, Generators

Iterators

```
var array = [1,2,3];  
var i = array.values();  
  
> i.next();  
  { value: 1, done: false }  
> i.next();  
  { value: 2, done: false }  
> i.next();  
  { value: 3, done: false }  
> i.next();  
  { value: undefined, done: true }
```


Iterables

```
var myObj = {};  
  
myObj[Symbol.iterator] = function() {  
  var state = 0;  
  function next() {  
    switch (state++) {  
      case 0: return { value: 1, done: false };  
      case 1: return { value: 2, done: false };  
      case 2: return { value: 3, done: false };  
      default: return { value: undefined, done: true };  
    }  
  }  
  return { next };  
}  
  
for (let i of myObj) console.log(i);
```


Generators

```
var myObj = {};
```

```
myObj[Symbol.iterator] = function*() {  
  yield 1;  
  yield 2;  
  yield 3;  
}
```

```
for (let i of myObj) console.log(i);
```


Generators

```
function *myGenerator() {  
  yield 1;  
  console.log("Hello, %s!", yield 2);  
  yield 3;  
}
```

```
> var i = myGenerator();  
> i.next().value;  
1  
> i.next().value;  
2  
> i.next("Brian").value;  
Hello, Brian!  
3
```


Async via Generators

```
function slowHello(name) {  
  return new Promise( (resolve, reject) => {  
    setTimeout(() => resolve(`Hello slowly, ${name}`), 2000);  
  });  
}
```

```
run(function *() {  
  console.log("Ok, lets get this going");  
  console.log(yield slowHello("Brian"));  
  console.log("Ok, we're done.");  
});
```


Async via Generators

*Error handling skipped in this example for brevity

```
function run(generator) {  
  var p = Promise.defer();  
  var i = generator();  
  var result = i.next();  
  
  function step(resolution) {  
    var yielded = i.next(resolution);  
    if (yielded.done) return p.resolve(yielded.value);  
    resolveable = yielded.value;  
    if (resolveable && typeof resolveable['then'] === 'function') {  
      return resolveable.next(step);  
    }  
    step();  
  }  
  
  var resolveable = result.value;  
  if (resolveable) { resolveable.then(step); }  
  return p;  
}
```


Async Functions

```
function slowHello(name) {  
  return new Promise( (resolve, reject) => {  
    setTimeout(() => resolve(`Hello slowly, ${name}`), 2000);  
  });  
}
```

```
(async function() {  
  console.log("Ok, lets get this going");  
  console.log(await slowHello("Brian"));  
  console.log("Ok, we're done.");  
})();
```


Small Demo App

1. Lookup user by email address.
2. Load user's friends.
3. In parallel, load user's company and interests.
4. `console.log()` the data