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# Can You Answer This Senior Level JavaScript Promise Interview Question?

Most interviewees failed on it.



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What is the output of the following code?

```
const promise = new Promise((resolve, reject) => {  
  console.log(1);  
  setTimeout(() => {  
    console.log("timerStart");  
    resolve("success");  
    console.log("timerEnd");  
  }, 0);  
  console.log(2);  
});  
  
promise.then((res) => {  
  console.log(res);  
});  
  
console.log(4);
```

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## Analysis

It's not a friendly question for junior JS coders.

The core feature of JavaScript is asynchronous programming. The interpreter always executes synchronous code first and then asynchronous code.

For example, in this code:

```
console.log('start');

const promise1 = new Promise((resolve, reject) => {
  console.log(1)
  resolve(2)
})
promise1.then(res => {
  console.log(res)
})
console.log('end');
```

`promise1.then()` is an asynchronous function call.

synchronous code

asynchronous code

```
console.log('start');
```

```
const promise1 = new Promise((resolve, reject) => {  
  console.log(1)  
  resolve(2)  
})
```

```
promise1.then(res => {  
  console.log(res)  
})
```

```
console.log('end');
```

start

1

end

2

So the output is `start` , `1` , `end` and `2` .

But in JavaScript, asynchronous tasks are also divided into micro tasks and macro tasks.

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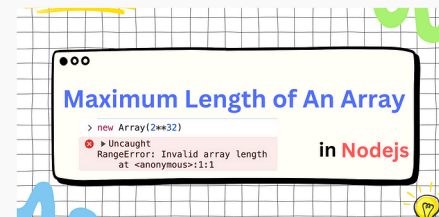
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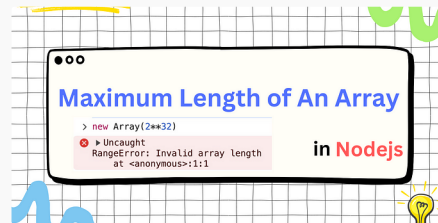
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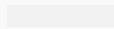



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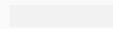


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