

Special Topics



Motivation



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Asynchronous execution =>

- Callback Hell

```
a(function(resA) {  
  b(resA, function(resB) {  
    c(resB, function(err, resC) {  
      if (err) fail();  
      console.log(resC);  
    });  
  });  
});
```

- Proper error handling
- Consistent state

API



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1. `new Promise(function(resolve, reject) {
 ...
})`
2. `p.then(onFulfilled[, onRejected])`
3. `p.catch(onRejected)`
4. `Promise.all(iterable)`
5. `Promise.race(iterable)`
6. `Promise.resolve(value)`
7. `Promise.reject(value)`

Pitfalls / Best Practices



since mid 2014 (FF 29, Chrome 33, Edge)

- 99% no new Promise
- Promise chaining
- Promise keeps its value
- `p.catch` resets promise chain
- use `Promise.resolve` and `Promise.reject`
- work well together with functional programming
- `async / await` (ES6)

Exercise



```
Promise.race = function(promises) {  
  return new Promise((resolve, reject) => {  
    promises.forEach(function(prom) {  
      prom.then(resolve, reject);  
    });  
  });  
}
```

Exercise



```
Promise.all = function(promises) {  
  var accumulator = [];  
  var ready = Promise.resolve(null);  
  
  promises.forEach(function(promise, idx) {  
    ready = ready.then(function() {  
      return promise;  
    }).then(function(value) {  
      accumulator[idx] = value;  
    });  
  });  
  
  return ready.then(function() {  
    return accumulator;  
  });  
}
```



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References



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- Bluebird (Promise library)
<http://bluebirdjs.com/docs/why-promises.html>

Motivation



- Single threaded environment -> computation slows render thread -> multi threading
- Multimedia + Games
- Types
 - (Dedicated) **Workers**
(IE 10, FF 3.5, Chrome 5, Safari 4)
-> mid 2009
 - **Shared Workers**
(FF 29, Chrome 4) -> mid 2014
 - **Service Workers**
(FF 44, Chrome 45) -> end 2015

API



```
// main.js  
var worker = new Worker('task.js');  
worker.postMessage(obj);  
worker.onmessage = function(msg) {  
    ...  
}  
worker.onerror = function(err) { ... }  
worker.terminate();
```

```
// task.js  
// self.onmessage = function(e) {  
addEventListener('message', function(e) {  
    self.postMessage(e.data);  
}, false);
```

Restrictions



- 1300 kB max. message size
- working
 - navigator
 - location (read-only)
 - XMLHttpRequest
 - setTimeout() / clearTimeout()
 - setInterval() / clearInterval()
 - importScripts() / Subworkers
- forbidden
 - the DOM
 - window
 - document
 - parent

Extras



- Transferable objects
`worker.postMessage(buf, [buf]);`
- Inline workers
`var blob = new Blob(['...']);`
`var blobURL = URL.createObjectURL(blob);`
`var worker = new Worker(blobURL);`
- `navigator.hardwareConcurrency`
- Benchmark
<http://pmav.eu/stuff/javascript-webworkers/>



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Service Workers



- programmable network proxy
- in the background
- replace AppCache
- heavy use of promises
- enable
 - push notifications
Push API + Notifications API
 - background sync
 - pre-fetching

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<https://developers.google.com/web/fundamentals/primers/service-workers/>



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