Welcome To Advanced NodeJS

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Assignment01

- Create a function to find and return all primes in a given min and max range
    - Example find primes between 2 and 200

- Psudo code of isPrime

```
bool isPrime(int x){

    If(x<2)
        return false;

    for(int i=2;i<x;i++)
        If(x%i==0)
            return false;

    return true;

}
```

The common problems

Returning completely different type of values
- Client is forced to check the types

Recommendation!

- **If you function returns an array, always return an array, may be an empty array when you have not value to return instead of returning false or null.**

Don't return a value to indicate an error. If possible **throw exception or any standard Mechanism to indicate error.**

Loose types?

- Javascript as loose (dynamic) types.
- But to create a consistent API we must adhere to some common denomniators

- Example a method may return

```
{
    status: 'success',
    data:[1,2,3,4]
}

Or

{
    Status:'failed',
    reason:'invalid range'
}
```

Different data

Common denom

# Nodejs is Single threaded Asynchronous Programming model

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NodeJS expects your functions to be async by default

- If you function is synchronous for whatever reason, it must be suffixed with the word sync

Note
- **Languages like java and C# using async suffix to mark an asynchronous function.**
- **By default functions are synchronous**
- **NodeJs expects functions to by async by default.**

Blocking operation here

Must wait till the function has completed.
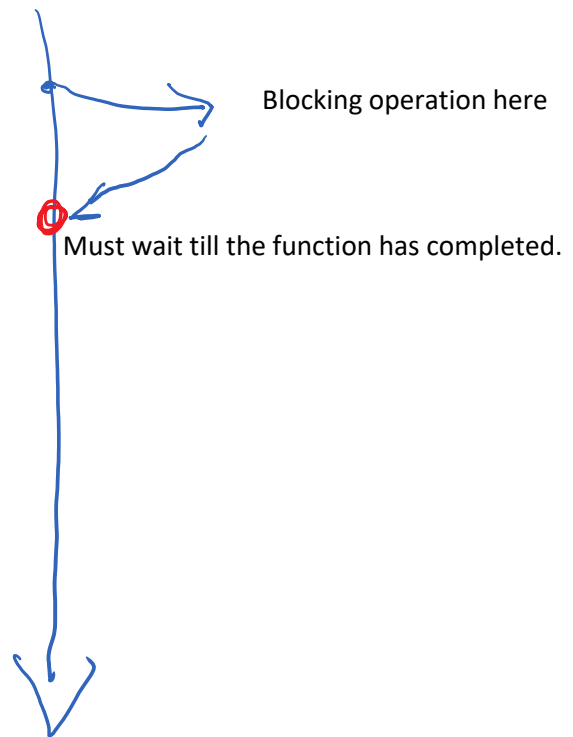
Javascript Asynchrnous Programming

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- A general paradigm of programming, where we don't need to wait for a function to finish
  - Function returns immediately
  - Continues to work in backgournd
  - Updates the client once it finishes with the help of some kind of call back

Different Types of Asynchrnous Programming Model

1. NodeJS Callback pattern
   a. Callback is not a new concept
   b. NodeJS has a special callback syntax for function : **function callback(err,result);**
      i. **We can use this model anywhere as this is just a pattern and now a NODE JS feature**
      ii. **Most of the NodeJS API follow the same syntax.**

2. **ES2015 Promises**

Assignment 02

1. Continue with Assignment01 and make the API asynchronous
2. Use Modular approach by separating business and presentation tier

NodeJS Callback Pattern

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1. NodeJS callback architecture

- Nodejs expects your functions not to return using return keyword
- You pass a callback as the last parameter to your function
- Once function finishes it calls the call back
- The callback should take two parameter in order
  - Err
    - Should specificy in case of error
    - Second parameter should be null/undefined
  - Result
    - Err should be null
    - Result should contain the result

```
function findPrimesSync(min,max){

    let result=[];

    return result;
}
```

Should change to

```
function findPrimes(min,max, cb){

    let result=[];
    if(success)
        cb(null, result); //success
    else
        cb('invalid input'); //error
}
```

```
function findPrimes(min, max, cb) {

    setTimeout(() => {
        if (min >= max)
            cb(new Error(`Invalid Range(${min}-${max})`));  //result is undefined
        else {
            let primes = [];
            for (let i = min; i < max; i++)
                isPrime(i, (err, result) => {
                    if (result)
                        primes.push(i);
                });

            cb(null, primes); //first parameter null indicates success
        }

    }, 2); //just to simulate that job may take long time.
}
```

Simulates a long running process

- Is running synchronously as one big chunk of code.
- Once you start, you end only after searching everything
- Not giving any other job time to work
- This is called **selfish** programming

Cooperative Worker Pattern

- A code should allow other codes to work by taking a break
- This should allow vital UI updates and other short worker to complete

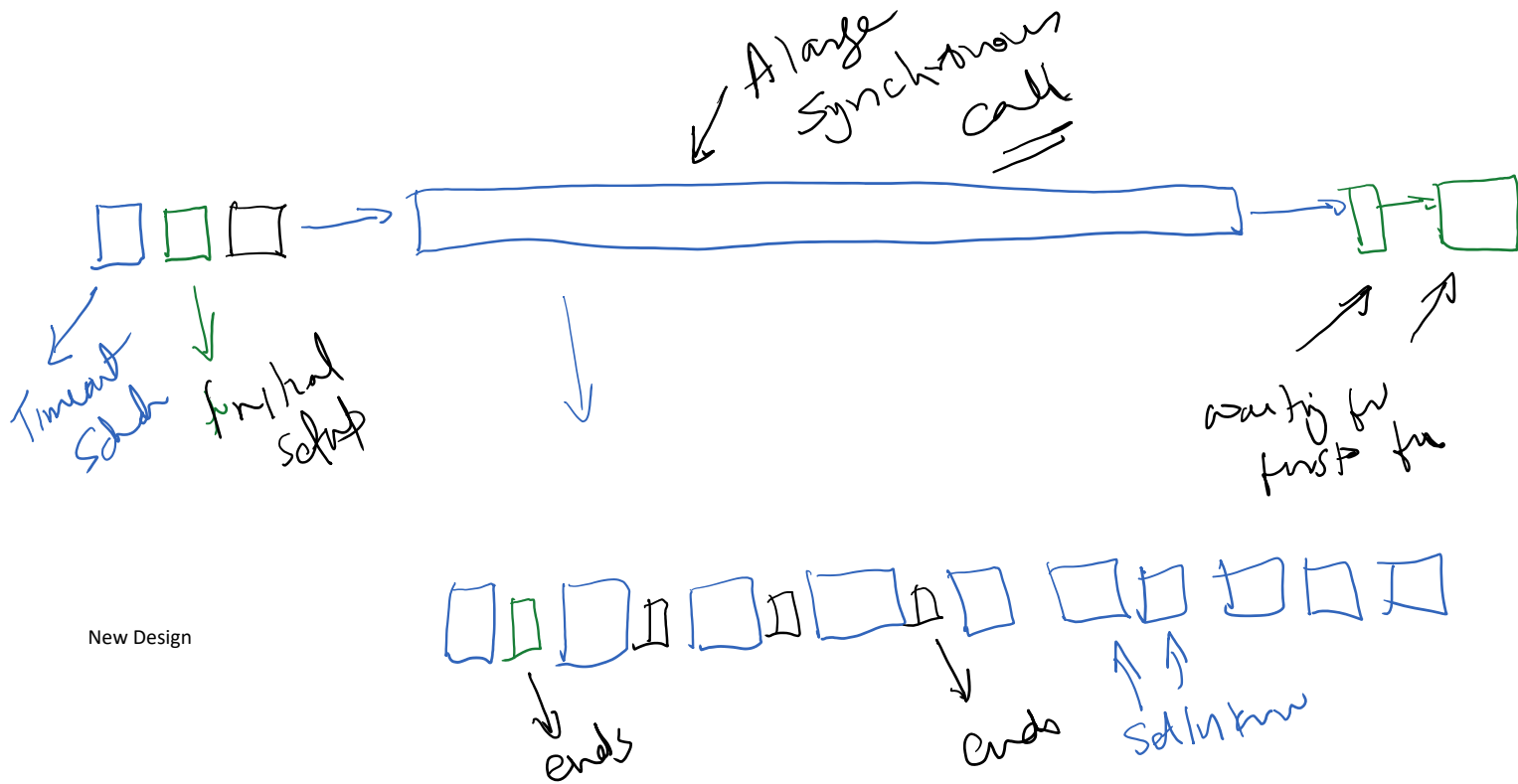### How to implement co-operative worker in our code

- Say we are finding all primes between 2 and 500000
- We may take a short break of say 10ms after every 1000 iteration.

Assignment03

Cooperative Async Pattern

A large Synchronous call

Timeout Sched

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waiting for first fn

New Design

ends

ends

Schedm

ES2015 Promises

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- It is not a NodeJS feature but available in general in all javascript programming
- **Evolved much later**
- **NodeJS was already using its own model of programming**

- Many Nodejs libraries are now slowly moving to Promise rather than node callbacks

A Promise

- It's a bulit in ES2015 (Javascript feature)
- **Promise is an object that promises to get some result in future**
  - ○ **Promise also take a callback with two parameters**
    - ▪ **These two parameters are again call backs**
      1. **To call when success**
      2. **To call when failed**

- Promise to get a result asynchronously by calling another function

Promise says let me run this code and I will let you know when we are ready

let promise= new Promise(function_that_will_give_you_a_result);

function **function_that_will_give_you_a_result(fnResolve, fnReject){**   **This is your business logic**

```
        …
        if(success)
            fnResolve( result);   //call when you completed successfully
        else
            fnReject(err_details); //call this function when you fail


}
```

No callback passed.

Creating an api — callback vs Promise

```
function findPrimes(   min, max, cb ){
        //business logic
        …
        if(success)
            cb( null, result);
        else
            cb(err_details);


        //This function returns nothing
}
```

```
function findPrimes(   min, max ){

    let promise=new Promise( (resolve,reject) =>{
            //business logic here
            if(success)
                    resolve(  result);
            else
                    reject(err_details);

    }
    return promise;
}
```

We handle promise once returned

Consuming The Asynchronous operations

```
//callback example
findPrimes( 2, 100 ,   (err,primes) =>{

    if(err){
            console.log('err',err); //on failure
    } else{
            Console.log('primes', primes.length);  //on success
    }

});

//we are free to do whatever we want
//the callback will be called sometimes in future
//same callback will get both err and result
```

```
//promise based design

//function doesn't return result. It returns a future promise
let promise= findPrimes(2,100);

//we can set for future when it completes
//if promise is resolved successfully
promise. then( primes=> console.log('primes', promes.length);

//if promise is rejected because of error
promise.catch( err => console.log( 'err', err);

//we can do whatever we want to do. then() and catch() will
```

execute asynchrnously when promise is resolved/rejected in future.

//this code will execute immediately.

```
findPrimes(2,100)
      .then(primes=> console.log(primes))
      .catch(err=>console.log(err);
```

Nested Promise Problem

```
return new Promise((resolve,reject)=>{

    factorial(n)
    .then(fn=>{
        factorial(n-r)
            .then(fn_r=>{
                factorial(r)
                    .then(fr=>{
                        let result= fn/fn_r/fr;
                        resolve(result);
                    }).catch(reject);
            }).catch(reject);
    }).catch(reject);

});
```

Nested Calls

1. Calculate factorial n
2. Calculate factorial of n-r
3. Calculate factorial of r
4. Use the first 3 calculation to calculate combination

- Can you see the sequence in nested promise?

This calculation depends on all the three

Async - Await Keywords

- Since Promise is a javascript feature, javascript has defined a set of keywords that makes working with Promise easy and straight forward.
- **await** is a javascript keyword that automatically resolves the promise and give you resolved result rather than promise
    - Remember this result will not come immediately but sometimes in future
- When you use **await**, the rejection is thrown as an exception that can be handled using standard **catch** keyword
- The function is actually waiting for resolved/rejected, but will finish immediately asynchrnously
    - It will execute the code later.

Manual Promise Resolution

```
function testFactorial(n){

    let p = factorial(n); //it returns a promise

    //wait for promise to complete and get resolved result
    p.then( fn => console.log(fn));

    //if promise is rejected you get rejection message
    p.catch( err=> console.log('err',err) );

}
```

1. Looks like this code is synchrnous. But actually there may be long gap between these two lines
2. This code may run in future but the function will return immediately

- Function having await must be marked **async**
- An async function always returns a Promise implicilty

Using await

```
async function  testFactorial(n){

    try{
        //await will wait for promise resolution.
        let fn = await factorial(n);  //taking n*100ms

        //next piece of code is what you would write in then, to be executed in future
        console.log('result is ',fn);   //typically what you write in then

    }
    catch(err){ //rejection is handled in catch
        console.log('err',err) ; //what you write in .catch()
    }

}
```

Anything that follows await will be executed later and therefore this function creates a Promise and returns immediately

```
let combination=(n,r)=>{

    //factorial(n)/factorial(n-r)/factorial(r)

    return new Promise((resolve,reject)=>{

        factorial(n)
        .then(fn=>{
            factorial(n-r)
                .then(fn_r=>{
                    factorial(r)
                        .then(fr=>{
                            let result= fn/fn_r/fr;
                            resolve(result);
                        }).catch(reject);
                }).catch(reject);
        }).catch(reject);

    });
```

```
async function comibnation(n,r){

    let fn= await factorial(n);
    let fn_r=await factorial(n-r);
    let fr=await factorial(r);
    let c= fn/fn_r/fr;

    return c;

}
```

1. Awaits (resolves then) and gets you resolved result fn
   a. But this will happen in future. So it is just a promise
2. Second will execute once the first promise is resolved.
   a. It is a promise against a promise.
   b. It is also future tense
3.

What is this returninig

- It appears that this function is returning a number
- But this number depends on other calculation which are based on promises
- **Here we are telling that we will return this value to you in future**
- This function is returning a **Promise** that will have this value

- Since an async function always returns a promise
  - We can always use it with then() and catch() if we need

await must always be written inside an async function
- **You can't write await in global**
- **Constructor of a class can't be marked async**
  - **You can't await inside a constructor**
  - **You can use standard then(),catch()**

Understanding Promises

```
function combination(n,r){
    let fn = factorial(n);
    let fn_r = factorial(n - r);
    let fr = factorial(r);
    var comb='waiting for the result...';

    Promise.all([fn,fn_r,fr])  //when all promises are fulfilled (resolved/rejected)
        .then((result) => {
            //result[0] is output of promise fn
            console.log(result[0], result[1], result[2]);

            //we will reach here in apporx 1400ms for comibination(7,2);
            comb = (result[0] / result[1] / result[2]);

    })
    .catch(function(err){
        reject("combination Error: " + err);
    });

    //we reach here immediately without waiting for promise to be fulfilled.
    console.log("Calculate Factorial: " + comb);

}
combination(7, 2);
```

Will be evaluated sometimes in future

We reach here in present, immediately long before the calculations are done.

To calculate the comination we need another calcuation.

Promise to calculate the combination when other promises are fulfilled

```
//let us make a mega promise  which is a promise of all promises
let megaCombProm = new Promise(function(resolve,reject){

    return  Promise.all([fn,fn_r,fr])  //when all promises are fulfilled (resolved/rejected)
        .then((result) => {
            //result[0] is output of promise fn
            console.log(result[0], result[1], result[2]);

            //we will reach here in apporx 1400ms for comibination(7,2);
            comb = (result[0] / result[1] / result[2]);
            //we must mark the promise resolved.

            resolve(comb); //which promise are we resolving?

    })
    .catch(function(err){
        reject("combination Error: " + err);
    });

});


megaCombProm.then(function (comb){
    console.log("Calculate Factorial: " + comb);

}).catch(function (err) {
    console.log("Calculate Factorial Error: " + err);
});
```

We don't need another promise to wrap this promise!

If an inner promise is rejected

- **You must write catch()**
- **If you don't want to handle rejection you still must**
  - ○ **Write a catch**
  - ○ **Re-reject it**

```
36
37    combination(-7, 2).then(console.log).catch(console.log);
38
```

```
36    console.log('waiting for the combination...');
37
38    //combination(7, -2).then(console.log).catch(console.log);
```

PROBLEMS   OUTPUT   DEBUG CONSOLE   TERMINAL   1: Code

Async await benefits

1. Code looks sequential.
2. Return is automatically translated to resolve
    a. If no return is specified end of function is resolve
3. Any rejection is an exception thrown.
    a. You don't have to handle the exception if you don't need
    b. If you don't write try catch, it is automatically re-rejected.

Assignment 04

- Convert findPrimes from callback to Promise model
- Write the test application

Assignment05

Create a long running factorial function.

- Psudo code for factorial

```
int factorial(int n){
    if(n<0) //error

    let fn=1;

    while(n>1)
        fn*=n--;

    return fn;

}
```

Assume factorial is a long running task and needs n*100 ms to complete

1. Create an asynchrnous factorial function that returns in n*100 ms.
   a. It should return a promise

2. Use the factorial function to calculate comination(n,r); psudocode for combination is

```
int combination(int n, int r){
    int fn=factorial(n);

    int fn_r=factorial(n-r);

    int fr=factorial(r);

    return fn/fn_r/fr;
}
```

Comination will not have any delays programmed.
It will be delayed because of factorial

Assignment06

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Convert the factorial function given below to a cooperative function
- It should still take n*100ms to complete successfully
- It should take 100ms if it fails

```
let factorial=(number)=>{
    return new Promise((resolve,reject)=>{
        setTimeout(()=>{
            if(number<0)
                reject('negative numbers do not have factorial');
            let f=1;
            while(number>0)
                f*=number--;
            resolve(f);
        }, (number>0?number:1)*100);
    });
};
```