

Async Function Updates

Updates from Last Time

- Complete spec available: <https://github.io/tc39/ecmascript-asyncawait>
- Removed await *
- Implemented in Babel & Regenerator, lots of positive feedback.

Design Questions

- Async arrow functions:
 - `async (a, b) => await a + await b;`
 - `(a, b) @=> await a + await b;`
- Naming an async function:
 - Error
 - Promise-for-instance
- Errors in Parameter Initializer
 - Align with Generators – error is thrown out of the async function
 - Ideal semantics: error causes returned promise to reject

Design Questions Continued

- Await synchronous things synchronously
 - ``await 1`` - does it trigger a turn of the event loop as in the desugaring?
 - Allow synchronous await but ensure promise resolution is async?
 - Do neither and allow returning an already-resolved promise?
- Promise Cancellation:
 - Depends on cancellation at the promise level
 - Urge champions to consider ergonomics with async functions
- Await at top-level
 - Can you await at the top level of a module?
 - Handy especially for Node.