# Using Flow for Everything Async

# Quick Run

#### Async Tasks

Simple use case: I have created a new Activity and I want to load an image inside an ImageView while allowing the user to scroll up and down.

```
public class MyUIActivity extends AppCompatActivity {
    private ImageView mImageView = view.findViewById(R.id.someView);
   //Usage
    //- inside of a function of from a onClick
       new DownloadImageTask().execute("http://example.com/image.png");
    private class DownloadImageTask extends AsyncTask<String, Void, Bitmap> {
       protected Bitmap doInBackground(String... urls) {
            return loadImageFromNetwork(urls[0]);
       protected void onPostExecute(Bitmap result) {
            mImageView.setImageBitmap(result);
```

### Callbacks - Some call it the Hollywood principle: "Don't call us we call you"

```
public class User {
    private int id;
    private String email;
    private String username;
Call<User> call = userService.login();
call.enqueue(new Callback<User>() {
   @Override
    public void onResponse(Call<User> call, Response<User> response) {
        // todo deal with returned data (user)
    public void onFailure(Call<User> call, Throwable t) {
        // todo deal with the failed network request
});
```

#### Rx

- To simply pass bits of information from one activity or class to another.
- Easy to set up communication between multiple threads
- You can create asynchronous data stream on any thread, transform the data and consume it by an Observer on any thread.

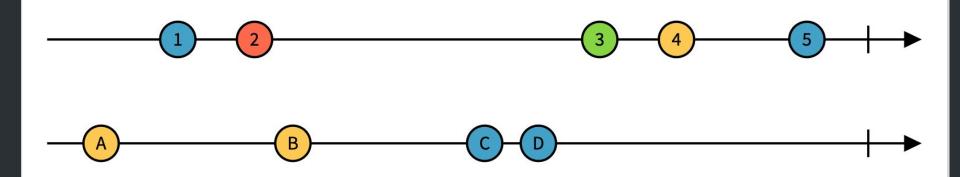
```
public Single<List<Restaurant>> getRestaurants(int userId) {
   return ddApi.getUserInfo(userId).flatMap(user -> {
      return ddApi.getAvailableRestaurants(user.defaultAddress.lat, user.defaultAddress.lng);
   });
}
```

```
public class RestaurantFragment {
 @Override
 public void onResume() {
   // subscribe to the Single returned by RestaurantApi
   restaurantDataSource
      .getRestaurants(userId)
      .subscribeOn(Schedulers.io())
      .observeOn(AndroidSchedulers.mainThread())
      .subscribe(new SingleObserver<Restaurant>() {
           @Override
           public void onSuccess(List<Restaurant> Restaurants) {
                // update the adapter with restaurants
           @Override
           public void onError(Throwable e) {
                // display an error message
       });
```

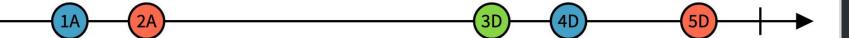
#### Rx - With Room

- Create entity class
- Create DAO
- Add AppDatabase.class

```
class UserRepository(val userApi: UserApi, val userDao: UserDao) {
    fun getUsers(): Observable<List<User>> {
        return Observable.concatArray(
                getUsersFromDb(),
                getUsersFromApi())
    fun getUsersFromDb(): Observable<List<User>>> {
        return userDao.getUsers().filter { it.isNotEmpty() }
                .toObservable()
                .doOnNext {
                    Timber.d("Dispatching ${it.size} users from DB...")
    fun getUsersFromApi(): Observable<List<User>> {
        return userApi.getUsers()
                .doOnNext {
                    Timber.d("Dispatching ${it.size} users from API...")
                    storeUsersInDb(it)
    fun storeUsersInDb(users: List<User>) {
       Observable.fromCallable { userDao.insertAll(users) }
                .subscribeOn(Schedulers.io())
                .observeOn(Schedulers.io())
                .subscribe {
                    Timber.d("Inserted ${users.size} users from API in DB...")
```



withLatestFrom(
$$(x, y) \Rightarrow "" + x + y$$
)





FOR WHEN YOU REALLY REALLY HAVE TO KILL THAT SPIDER

#### Coroutines - A coroutine is a way to handle concurrency tasks in a thread

```
interface RetrofitService {
    @GET("/posts")
    suspend fun getPosts(): Response<List<Post>>
}
```

```
class MainActivity : AppCompatActivity() {
    override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
    setContentView(R.layout.activity_main)
    val service = RetrofitFactory.makeRetrofitService()
    CoroutineScope(Dispatchers.IO).launch {
        val response = service.getPosts()
        withContext(Dispatchers.Main) {
            try {
                if (response.isSuccessful) {
                } else {
                    toast("Error: ${response.code()}")
            } catch (e: HttpException) {
                toast("Exception ${e.message}")
            } catch (e: Throwable) {
                toast("Ooops: Something else went wrong")
```

```
@Dao
interface UsersDao {
    @Query("SELECT * FROM users")
    suspend fun getUsers(): List<User>
    @Query("UPDATE users SET age = age + 1 WHERE userId = :userId")
    suspend fun incrementUserAge(userId: String)
    @Insert
    suspend fun insertUser(user: User)
    @Update
    suspend fun updateUser(user: User)
    @Delete
    suspend fun deleteUser(user: User)
```

usersDao.insert(user)

```
class MyViewModel(private val usersDao : UsersDao) : ViewModel() {
   fun insert(user : User) = launch(Common) {
```

Coroutines

# Flowing Asynchronously

### Why Flow?

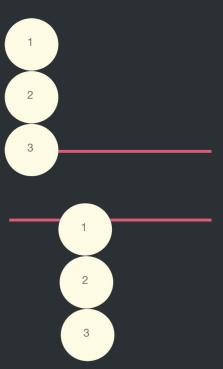


Problem Statement: Return a list of integers

### Collections

```
fun main() {
    generateIntegers().forEach { value -> println(value) }
}

fun generateIntegers(): Collection<Int> {
    return listOf(1, 2, 3)
}
```



### Sequence

```
fun main() {
    generateIntegers().forEach { value -> println(value) }
fun generateIntegers(): Sequence<Int> = sequence { this: SequenceScope<Int>
    for (i in 1..3) {
        Thread.sleep(100) // pretend we are computing it
        yield(i) // yield next value
```

### Coroutines

suspend fun generateIntegers(): List<Int> {

```
delay(timeMillis: 1000) // pretend we are doing something asynchronous here
    return listOf(1, 2, 3)
fun main() = runBlocking { this: CoroutineScope
   generateIntegers().forEach { value -> println(value) }
                                                                 Unblocked
```

```
fun generateIntegers(): Flow<Int> = flow { // flow builder
    for (i in 1..3) {
        delay( timeMillis: 100) // pretend we are doing something useful here
        emit(i) // emit next value
fun main() = runBlocking<Unit> { this: CoroutineScope
    // Launch a concurrent coroutine to check if the main thread is blocked
    launch { this: CoroutineScope
        for (k in 1..3) {
            println("I'm not blocked $k")
            delay(timeMillis: 100)
       Collect the flow
    generateIntegers().collect { value -> println(value) }
```

```
I'm not blocked 1
1
I'm not blocked 2
2
I'm not blocked 3
3
```

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    // Collect the flow
    generateIntegers().collect { value -> println(value) }
```

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```
fun generateIntegers(): Flow<Int> = flow { this: FlowCollector<Int>
    println("Flow started")
    for (i in 1..3) {
        delay( timeMillis: 100)
        emit(i)
fun main() = runBlocking { this: CoroutineScope
    println("Calling foo...")
    val flow = generateIntegers()
    println("Calling collect...")
    flow.collect { value -> println(value) }
    println("Calling collect again...")
    flow.collect { value -> println(value) }
```

```
Calling foo...
Calling collect...
Flow started

1
2
3
Calling collect again...
Flow started
1
2
3
```

Flow Cancellation

#### Flow Cancellation

```
private fun generateIntegers(): Flow<Int> = flow { this: FlowCollector<Int>
    delay( timeMillis: 100)
    emit( value: 1)
    delay( timeMillis: 100) ← Suspending and
    emit( value: 2)
                                      cancellable function
    delay( timeMillis: 100)
    emit( value: 3)
@ExperimentalCoroutinesApi
private fun main() {
    generateIntegers()
        .onEach { value ->
            log("$value")
        .catch { cause ->
            log("exception : ${cause.message}")
        .onCompletion { log("done") }
        .launchIn( scope: this)
override fun onStop() {
    super.onStop()
    job.cancel()
```

Common Operators and Builders

#### **Builders**

```
|fun <u>generateIntegers</u>(): <mark>Flow</mark><Int> {
     return (1..3).asFlow()
fun generateIntegers(): Flow<Int> = flow { this: FlowCollector<Int>
     for (i in 1..3) {
         emit(i)
```

#### Operators

- Intermediate Operators
  - Map
  - Filter
  - Transform
- Size Limiting Operators
  - Take
- Terminal Operators
  - toList / toSet
  - Reduce
  - o fold

#### flowOn



Merging Flows

**Error Handling** 

#### Everything is caught

```
fun foo(): Flow<String> =
    flow { this: FlowCollector<Int>
                                                  Emitting 1
        for (i in 1..3) {
                                                  string 1
            println("Emitting $i")
                                                  Emitting 2
            emit(i) // emit next value
                                                 Caught java.lang.IllegalStateException: Crashed on 2
        map { value ->
            check( value: value <= 1) { "Crashed on $value" }</pre>
            "string $value" ^map
fun main() = runBlocking<Unit> { this: CoroutineScope
    try
        foo().collect { value -> println(value) }
    } catch (e: Throwable) {
        println("Caught $e")
```

#### Catching Declaratively

Flow Completion

#### Try / catch finally block

#### onCompletion

1
Flow completed exceptionally
Caught exception

Launching Flow

#### Blocking Launch

Event: 1
Event: 2
Event: 3
Done

#### launchln

Done
Event: 1
Event: 2
Event: 3

## Flow in Action

#### LocationManager.kt

```
suspend fun getLastKnownLocation(): Location? = suspendCoroutine { it: Continuation<Location?>
    fusedLocationClient.lastLocation.addOnSuccessListener { location ->
        it resumeWith(Result success(location))
    }.addOnFailureListener { it: Exception
        Result.failure<Exception>(it)
fun getLocationUpdates(): Flow<Location?> = flow { this: FlowCollector<Location?>
    coroutineScope { this: CoroutineScope
        while (isActive) {
            emit(getLastKnownLocation())
            delay( timeMillis: 1000)
```

#### MainActivity.kt

# Video

