

Welcome to CS2030S Lab 7!

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Learning Objectives

Idea Behind this Week's Stream Exercises:

1. Understand the [IntStream](#) and [Stream](#) APIs

2. Apply what we have learnt with regards to stream operations

Rules:

1. No Recursion
2. No For Loops, No While Loops

What you are allowed:

1. Helper Classes, If Necessary
2. Helper Methods



With a stream, you specify what you want to have done, not how to do it.

You leave scheduling of operations to the implementation.

The stream library can optimize the computation, e.g. using multiple threads for computing sums and counts and combining the results.

Instead of using imperative programming,

```
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
    System.out.println(i);  
}
```

we want to use declarative programming.

```
IntStream.range(0, n).  
    forEach(System.out::println)
```

```
static IntStream range(int startInclusive, int endExclusive)
static IntStream rangeClosed(int startInclusive, int endInclusive)
```

Generate elements from m to n-1

```
jshell> IntStream.range(1,5).toArray()
$1 => int[4] { 1, 2, 3, 4 }
```

Generate elements from m to n

```
jshell> IntStream.rangeClosed(1,5).toArray()
$2 => int[5] { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 }
```

```
static <T> Stream<T> of(T... values)
```

Create a stream whose elements are the given value(s).

This method has a *varargs* parameter, so you can construct a stream from any number of arguments.

```
jshell> Stream.of("gently", "down", "the", "stream").  
        forEach(e → System.out.print(e + " "))  
gently down the stream
```

`Stream<T> limit(long maxSize)`

Limit the number of elements to stream to `maxSize`

```
jshell> Stream.of("gently", "down", "the", "stream").  
        limit(2).  
        forEach(e → System.out.print(e + " "))  
gently down
```

`Stream<T> distinct()`

Returns a stream with only distinct elements

```
jshell> Stream.of("merrily", "merrily", "merrily", "gently").  
        distinct().toArray()  
$5 ⇒ Object[2] { "merrily", "gently" }
```

```
<R> Stream<R> map(Function<? super T, ? extends R> mapper)
```

Return a stream containing the results of applying mapper to the elements of this stream.

```
jshell> Stream.of("gently", "down", "the", "stream").  
    map(String::toUpperCase).toArray()  
$6 => Object[4] { "GENTLY", "DOWN", "THE", "STREAM" }
```

```
<R> Stream<R> flatMap(  
    Function<? super T, ? extends Stream<? extends R>> mapper)
```

😱 Returns a stream obtained by concatenating the results of applying mapper to the elements of this stream. (Note that each result is a stream.)

```
jshell> IntStream.range(1, 3).  
        flatMap(x → IntStream.range(1, 4)).toArray()  
$7 => int[6] { 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3 }
```

```
// Intermediate Operations  
// (1, 2).flatMap(x → (1, 2, 3))  
// flatMap((1, 2, 3), (1, 2, 3))  
// (1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3)
```

Reductions (Terminal Operations)

Reduce the stream into a nonstream value.

Simple

```
long count()
```

```
Optional<T> max(  
    Comparator<? super T> comparator)
```

```
Optional<T> findFirst()
```

```
boolean anyMatch(  
    Predicate<? super T> predicate)
```

General 😱

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```

```
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    BinaryOperator<T> accumulator)
```

```
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    U identity,  
    BiFunction<U, ? super T, U> accumulator,  
    BinaryOperator<U> combiner)
```

Reduction Operations

```
jshell> IntStream.of(1,2,3,4).reduce((x, y) → x + y)  
$8 ==> OptionalInt[10]
```

adds a **partial result** x with the **next value** y to yield a **new partial result**.

```
jshell> IntStream.of(1,2,3,4).reduce(5, (x, y) → x + y)  
$9 ==> 15
```

Suppose you have a stream of objects and want to form the sum of some property, such as ***lengths in a stream of strings***.

Can you still use these 2 methods?

The `BinaryOperator<T>` is by definition $(T, T) \rightarrow T$ but now we have two types: The stream elements are `String`, and the accumulated result is an integer.

```
int result = 0;
for (String e: stream)
    result = accumulator.apply(result, e);
return result;
```

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jshell> Stream.of("gently", "down", "the", "stream").  
reduce(0,  
      (total, word) → total + word.length(),  
      (total1, total2) → total1 + total2)  
$10 → 19
```

reduce is not constrained to execute sequentially, i.e. can be applied to parallel streams.

If using parallel streams, the operation in accumulator must be necessarily *associative*.