Streams

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https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/collections/streams/index.html https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/stream/package-summary.html

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Java – Internal vs. External Iteration

- Till Java 7, the collections relied on the concept of external iteration
 - by implementing Iterable, a Collection provides a means to step sequentially through its elements. For example List<String> stringList = Arrays.asList("item1", "item2", "item3");

```
for ( String letter : stringList ) {
    System.out.println(letter.toUpperCase());
}
```

List<String> stringList = Arrays.asList("item1", "item2", "item3");

```
Iterator<String> stringListIt = stringList.iterator();
while ( stringListIt.hasNext() ) {
    System.out.println(stringListIt.next().toUpperCase());
}
```

Java – Internal vs. External Iteration

- The alternative to external iteration is *internal iteration*
 - the libraray handles the iteration; the client only provides the code which must be executed for the elements.

```
List<String> stringList = Arrays.asList("item1", "item2", "item3");
stringList.forEach(s -> System.out.println(s.toUpperCase()));
```

- External iteration mixes the "what" (uppercase) and the "how" (for loop/iterator); internal iteration lets the client to provide only the "what"
 - benefits: client code becomes clearer, can be optimized in the library.

Interface Iterable<T>

forEach

default void forEach(Consumer<? super T> action)

Interface Consumer<T>

accept

void accept(T t)



Java – Internal Iteration

• Removing elements from a collection with *internal iteration*

Interface Collection < E >

removelf

default boolean removeIf(Predicate<? super E> filter)

test

boolean test(I t)

Interface Predicate<T>

asList returns an unmodifiable List

Example: removing even numbers form a list

```
List<Integer> intList = Arrays.asList(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9);
intList.removeIf( el -> el % 2 == 0 );
intList.forEach(System.out :: println);
```

• Running the example:

```
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.UnsupportedOperationException: remove at java.base/java.util.Iterator.remove(Iterator.java:102) at java.base/java.util.Collection.removeIf(Collection.java:577) at lecture11.iteration.IterationMain.intIter2(IterationMain.java:43) at lecture11 iteration IterationMain main(IterationMain java:14)
```

Java – Internal Iteration

• Fixing the example:

```
List<Integer> intList = new ArrayList (Arrays.asList(1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9));
intList.removeIf( el -> el % 2 == 0 );
intList.forEach(System.out :: println);
```

• Output:

```
run-single:
1
3
5
7
9
BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 0 seconds)
```

STREAMS

streams

what are streams

- a stream is a sequence of objects like array or list
- manipulate the stream by using/composing internal iterations

why do you want streams

- simplifies coding
- more concise code (compared to looping over lists, arrays, ...)
- improve performance
 - ➤ compiler optimizations
 - > using multiple cores

stream pipelines



stream representation

Interface Stream<T>

source methods to create a stream of, generate, iterate

intermediate methods to manipulate and select stream elements
filter, map, distinct, sorted, limit, skip ...

terminal methods to transform the stream to some final result count, reduce, for Each, to Array, collect ...

check the documentation of Stream<T> for the methods and their types! https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/stream/Stream.html

stream elements for our examples

```
public enum Programme { AI, CS }
public enum Result { Fail, Insufficient, Sufficient, Good }
public class Grade { private int assignment; private Result result; ...}
public class Student {
  protected String name;
  protected Programme programme;
  protected int year;
  protected List<Grade> grades;
  public Student(String name, Programme p, int year, Grade...grades) {...
  // getters
                                                           Radboud University
```

some students

```
Student [] students = {
  new Student("Alice", Programme.AI, 2, new Grade(1, Result.Good),
            new Grade(2, Result.Sufficient), new Grade(3, Result.Good)),
  new Student("Bob", Programme.CS, 1,
            new Grade(1, Result.Insufficient), new Grade(2, Result.Fail)),
  new Student("Carol", Programme.CS, 2),
  new Student("Dave", Programme.AI, 3, new Grade(1, Result.Good),
            new Grade(2, Result.Insufficient), new Grade(3, Result.Good)),
  new Student("Eva", Programme.AI, 2, new Grade(1, Result.Good),
            new Grade(2, Result.Good), new Grade(3, Result.Good)),
  new Student("Fred", Programme.CS, 1, new Grade(1, Result.Good),
      new Grade(2, Result.Insufficient), new Grade(3, Result.Good)),
};
List<Student> studentList = Arrays.asList(students);
```

SOURCES

stream sources

```
usual way to make a stream: turn array or collection into a stream
array is not a proper class in Java
use utility Arrays instead
      static <T> Stream<T> stream(T[] array)
      static <T> Stream<T> stream(T[] array, int from, int to)
      Arrays.stream(students);
Collection interface contains a method to turn it into a stream
      default Stream<E> stream() { ...
      studentList.stream();
make ad-hoc streams by enumerating elements (or iterating a function; see later)
      static <T> Stream<T> of (T ... values)
      Stream.of(1, 2, 3, 4); Stream.iterate(1, x \rightarrow x + 1);
```

IntStream, LongStream, DoubleStream

for the basic types int, long and double there are special streams

• the stream elements are **not** boxed!

int sum()

```
generators
    static IntStream of (int... values)
    static IntStream range(int startInclusive, int endExclusive)
e.g.
    IntStream.of(2, 3, 5, 7)
    IntStream.range(0, N)
special methods
```

note: there is a difference between Stream<Integer> and IntStream

filtering & manipulating elements in the stream

INTERMEDIATE OPERATIONS

building a pipeline of operations

intermediate operations define operations that **will be applied** to each stream element **once evaluation happens**

they don't cause stream evaluation themselves

they return other Streams, which means we can chain them!

examples:

• filter (apply boolean function and only pass element if True)

• map (apply unary function and pass mutated result)

• flatMap (produce a single stream from separate streams from elements)

• skip (skip a certain number of elements)

• distinct (only produce unique elements)

filter

```
select elements having some property
Stream<T> filter(Predicate<? super T> predicate)
public interface Predicate<T> {boolean test(T t)}
e.g.
    assertEquals("number of AI students", 3,
      Arrays
        .stream(students)
        .filter(s -> s.getProgramme() == Programme.AI)
        .count());
```

map, mapToInt ...

```
change the stream elements
      <R> Stream<R> map(Function<? super T,? extends R> mapper)
      IntStream mapToInt(ToIntFunction<? super T> mapper)
using
public interface Function<T,R> { R apply(T t) }
e.g.
assertEquals("number of AI grades", 9,
  studentList
    .stream()
                                                      // Stream<Student>
    .filter(s -> s.getProgramme() == Programme.AI) // Stream<Student>
    .mapToInt(s -> s.getGrades().size())
                                                       // IntStream
    .sum());
```

flatMap

applying a function yielding a stream to the elements of the input stream and then flattens the resulting elements into a new stream

```
<R> Stream<R> map(Function<T, R> mapper)
<R> Stream<R> flatMap(Function<T, Stream<R>> mapper)
e.g. count the number of Fails of all students
    assertEquals("fails", 1,
       studentList
         .stream()
                                                  // Stream<Student>
        .flatMap(s -> s.getGrades().stream()) // Stream<Grade>
        .filter(g -> g.getResult() == Result.Fail)
         .count()
```

flatMap + Map

turn a stream of Students into a stream of Grades turn stream of Grades into stream of Results

(1 to many mapping) (1 to 1 mapping)

e.g. count the number of Fails of all students

```
assertEquals("fails", 1,
    studentList
    .stream()
    .flatMap(s -> s.getGrades().stream())
    .map(Grade::getResult)
    .filter(r -> r == Result.Fail)
    .count()
).
```

```
// Stream<Student>
// Stream<Grade>
// Stream<Result>
```

shorthand notation for
g -> g.getResult()

sidenote: the :: "method reference operator"

```
syntax
                                             just a more concise notation
<Class name>::<method name>
can be used for
➤ a static method,
                             e.g. (Math::abs)
                             e.g. (Grade::getResult)
➤ an instance method,
                             e.g. is.mapToObj(Integer::new)
➤a constructor,
from Lambdas to ::
Comparator<Student> c1
 = (Student x, Student y) -> x.getName().compareTo(y.getname());
Comparator<Student> c2 = Comparator.comparing(x -> x.getname());
Comparator<Student> c3 = Comparator.comparing(Student::getName);
```

nested filters

CS students scoring at least one Good studentList .stream() // Stream<Student> .filter(s -> s.getProgramme() == Programme.CS) // Stream<Student> .filter(s -> s.getGrades() // List<Grade> .stream() // Stream<Grade> .anyMatch(g -> g.getResult() == Result.Good) // boolean // Stream<Student> .forEach(System.out::println); // void

```
Student Fred (CS)
```

shorthand notation for
s -> System.out.println(s)

students having only Good

```
studentList
   .stream()
   .filter(s -> s.getGrades()
        .stream()
        .allMatch(g -> g.getResult() == Result.Good))
   .forEach(System.out::println);
```

```
Student Carol (CS)
Student Eva (AI)
```

```
Student [] students = {
  new Student("Carol", Study.CS, 2),
  new Student("Eva", Study.AI, 2,
      new Grade(1, Result.Good),
      new Grade(2, Result.Good),
      new Grade(3, Result.Good)),
      ...
```

evaluating a stream & computing a final result

TERMINAL OPERATIONS

stream terminals

```
long count()
                                     // number of elements
Optional<T> max ( Comparator<T> ) // maximum element if any
Optional<T> min ( Comparator<T> )
Optional<T> findFirst()
                                     // first element if any
                                     // some element if any
Optional<T> findAny()
void forEach(Consumer<? super T> action)
void forEachOrdered(Consumer<? super T> action)
boolean anyMatch(Predicate<? super T> predicate)
boolean allMatch(Predicate<? super T> predicate)
boolean noneMatch(Predicate<? super T> predicate)
collect & reduce (types given later)
```

first student without grades

```
Optional<Student> first = studentList
    .stream()
    .filter(s -> s.getGrades().isEmpty())
    .findFirst();
System.out.println(first);
studentList
   .stream()
   .filter(s -> s.getGrades().isEmpty()
   .findFirst()
   .ifPresent(System.out::println);
```

doesn't print unless there is such a student

Student Carol (CS)

stream reduction

predefined methods for simple operations:

- we can count the number of elements in a stream
- for IntStream we can sum the elements what about other operations (like product of elements)?

Optional<T> reduce(BinaryOperator<T> accumulator)

T reduce(T identity, BinaryOperator<T> accumulator)

initial value

```
e.g.
  assertEquals("fac 4 = 24", 24,
        IntStream
        .rangeClosed(1, 4)
        .reduce(1, (n,m) -> n * m));
```

```
combine element
      with reduced rest
         for IntStream:
sum() \equiv reduce(0, (x,y)->x+y)
```

map with type conversion & reduce in one

```
<U> U reduce(U identity,
                                                          // initial
              BiFunction<U,? super T,U> accumulator, //(U u,T t) -> U
              BinaryOperator<U> combiner)
                                                          //(U x, U y) \rightarrow U
e.g.
                                                     reduce parts of the stream
                               combine reduced
int graded = studentList
                              parts of the stream
  .stream()
  .reduce(0,
           (count, student) -> count + student.getGrades().size(),
           Integer::sum);
                                             or (x, y) \rightarrow x + y
assertEquals("graded", 14, graded);
```

number of grades could also be computed with flatMap and count

many reductions of this form can be represented more simply by an explicit combination of map() and reduce() operations!

map with type conversion & reduce in one

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```
e.g.
int graded = studentList
   .stream()
   .map(student -> student.getGrades().size())
   .reduce(0, Integer::sum);
assertEquals("graded", 14, graded);
```

collect: mutable stream reduction

suppose we want to concatenate all elements from Stream<String> s

String concatenated = s.reduce("", String::concat);

horrible performance: O(n²) in the number of characters

idea: reduce into a StringBuilder

collect: collects together the desired results into a mutable result container

collect: two variants

There are two variants of collect

collect (variant 1)

this variant requires three argument functions:

- supplier: construct instances of the result container
- accumulator: put input element into a result container
- combiner: merge one result container with another

```
<R> R collect(Supplier<R> supplier,
             BiConsumer<R, ? super T> accumulator, // R.add(T)
                                                  // combine Rs
             BiConsumer<R, R> combiner);
ArrayList<String> slist = s.collect( // Stream<Object> s
   () -> new ArrayList<>(),
                           // empty list for chunk
   (c, e) -> c.add(e.toString()), // add element to list
   (c1, c2) -> c1.addAll(c2)); // combine lists
```

making the map() explicit

```
ArrayList<String> slist = s.collect( // Stream<Object> s
   () -> new ArrayList<>(), // empty list for chunk
   (c, e) -> c.add(e.toString()), // add element to list
   (c1, c2) -> c1.addAll(c2)); // combine lists
                                              // Stream<Object>
List<String> slist = s
                     .map(Object::toString) // Stream<String>
                     .collect(ArrayList::new,
                              ArrayList::add, // no conversion
                             ArrayList::addAll);
```

collect (variant 2)

this variant requires just one argument of type:

```
interface Collector<T,A,R>
```

- T the type of input elements to the reduction operation
- A the mutable accumulation type of the reduction operation
- R the result type of the reduction operation

often used with standard collectors from the **Collectors** class:

```
class Collectors {
   static <T> Collector<T,?,List<T>> toList();
   static <T> Collector<T,?,Set<T>> toSet();
```

list collector

```
List<Student> aiStudents =
   Arrays
    .stream(students)
    .filter(s -> s.getProgramme() == Programme.AI)
    .collect(Collectors.toList());

System.out.println("AI students " + aiStudents);

ArrayList, LinkedList.
```

```
AI students [Student Alice (AI), Student Dave (AI), Student Eva (AI)]
```

linked list collector

```
List<Student> aiStudents =
    Arrays
    .stream(students)
    .filter(s -> s.getProgramme() == Programme.AI)
    .collect(Collectors.toCollection(LinkedList::new));
System.out.println("AI students" + aiStudents);
```

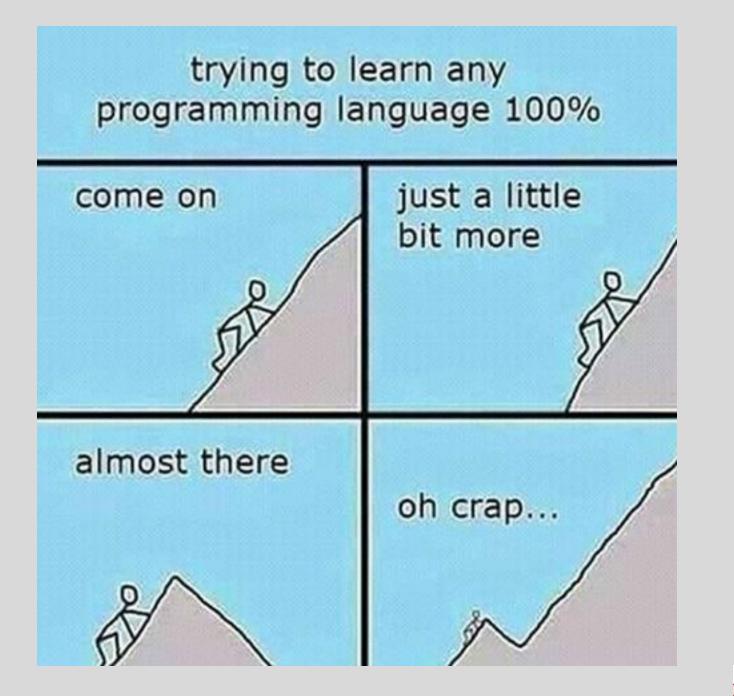
```
AI students [Student Alice (AI), Student Dave (AI), Student Eva (AI)]
```

map collector

```
map names to grade-lists
Map<String, List<Grade>> map =
  studentList
                                    make key
                                                        make value
  .stream()
  .collect(Collectors.toMap(Student::getName, Student::getGrades));
 { Eva=[Grade 1, Good, Grade 2, Good, Grade 3, Good]
 , Bob=[Grade 1, Insufficient, Grade 2, Fail]
 , Alice=[Grade 1, Good, Grade 2, Sufficient, Grade 3, Good]
 , Fred=[Grade 1, Good, Grade 2, Insufficient, Grade 3, Good]
 , Carol=[]
   Dave=[Grade 1, Good, Grade 2, Insufficient, Grade 3, Good]
```

making groups

```
Map<Programme, List<Student>> groups =
  studentList
    .stream()
    .collect(Collectors.groupingBy(Student::getProgramme));
groups
    .forEach((prog, list) -> System.out.format("group %s: %s\n"
       ,prog
       ,list
                                       group CS: [Bob, Carol, Fred]
         .stream()
                                       group AI: [Alice, Dave, Eva]
         .map(Student::getName)
         .collect(Collectors.toList())));
```



MORE STREAM MANIPULATIONS

sorting

```
Sorts low-to-high;
Optional<Student> bestStudent =
                                            reverse order for best first
   studentList
       .stream()
       .sorted((x,y) -> points(y) - points(x))
                                                         Student Eva (AI)
       .findFirst();
using
                                       or
private int points (Student s) {
                                       return s.getGrades()
                                         .stream()
  return s.getGrades()
                                         .mapToInt(g->g.getResult().ordinal())
                                        .sum();
    .stream()
    .map(g -> g.getResult().ordinal())
    .reduce(0, (n, m) \rightarrow n + m);
                                                   number in enum type
```

concat: glue two stream together

```
students have a problem if:
number of results is < N(3)
  Stream
                                            one or more Fails
    .concat(
       studentList
                                                         Bob matches
        .stream()
                                                       both conditions
        .filter(s -> s.getGrades().size() < N)</pre>
    , studentList
        .stream()
                                                        [Bob, Carol]
        .filter(s -> s.getGrades()
           .stream()
           .anyMatch(g -> g.getResult() == Result.Fail))
    .distinct()
    .map(Student::getName)
    .collect(Collectors.toList());
```

creating new list of perfectly scoring students

```
List<Student> perfectStudents =
  Stream
    .of("Liye", "Ike")
    .map(n -> new Student(n, Programme.CS, 10,
      IntStream
                                 map for IntStream yields an IntStream
        .rangeClosed(1, N)
                                 boxed() yields Stream<Integer>
                                 • or use mapToObj(i->new Grade(i,Result.Good))
         .boxed()
         .map(i -> new Grade(i, Result.Good))
         .collect(Collectors.toList())))
                                                         list of N Good grades
    .collect(Collectors.toList());
```

[Student Liye (CS), Student Ike (CS)]

order of operations

the order of operations in a stream can change the efficiency

- the result is usually independent of the order of operations
- rule of thumb: filter as soon as possible

```
assertEquals("sort first", 3
    studentList
    .stream()
    .sorted()
    .filter(s -> s.getYear() == 1)
    .count());
```

```
assertEquals("sort last", 3,
    studentList
    .stream()
    .filter(s -> s.getYear() == 1)
    .sorted()
    .count());
```

sorts also the year 2 & 3 students that will be removed in the next step

sorts only year 1 students

infinite streams: iterate

two ways to make infinite streams: generate and iterate

```
n, f(n), f(f(n)), f(f(f(n)...
int number = 1234567;
List<Integer> list =
                                                 repeat this method forever
   IntStream
                                                 with number as start value
        .iterate(number, n -> n / 10)
        .takeWhile(n \rightarrow n > 0)
                                                1234567, 123456, 12345, 1234,
        .map(n -> n % 10)
                                                     123, 12, 1, 0, 0, 0, ...
        .boxed()
        .collect(Collectors.toList());
                                                [7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1]
System.out.println(list);
```

infinite streams: generate

very similar to iterate, but no value passed between calls

```
Stream.generate(Math::random)
    .limit(5)
    .forEach(System.out::println);
```

typically we use a method of a stateful object

repeat this method forever

- 0.37238726115093057
- 0.4527012376585603
- 0.004142895661216839
- 0.13991206174351822
- 0.07948602794734327

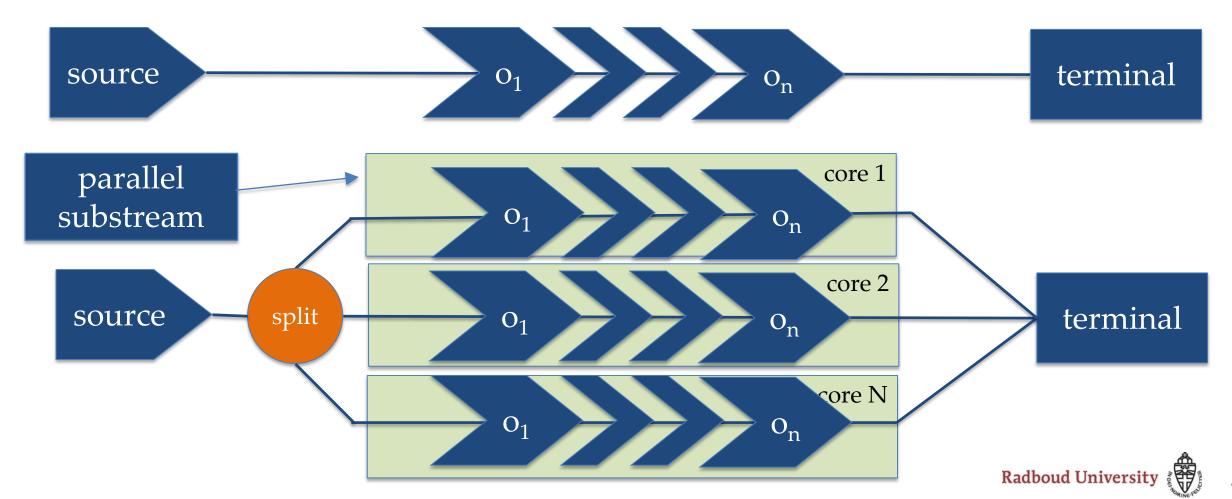
using all cores in your machine

PARALLEL STREAMS

multicore machines are everywhere

most modern computers have multiple cores

- > each core can execute its own (part of your) program
- it requires hard work of the programmer to use this efficiently **and safely**



parallel streams

a stream can be turned into a (potentially) parallel stream by parallel()

there is no guarantee that this becomes really parallel

instead of using stream() we can use parallelStream()

there is no guarantee that this becomes really parallel

merging in a terminal is implicit

this explains the structure of reduce with combiners:

parallel

This doesn't do any real work but tricks the compiler into believing the program has to do the computations

```
int N = 50_000;
long startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
assertEquals("sequential", N,
  IntStream
    .range(0, N)
    .filter(i -> useless(i))
    .count());
long doneTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
System.out.println("sequential time " + (doneTime - startTime));
startTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
assertEquals("parallel", N,
  IntStream
                          split stream
    .range(0, N)
    .parallel()
    .filter(i -> useless(i))
    .count());
doneTime = System.currentTimeMillis();
```

System.out.println("parallel time " + (doneTime - startTime));

```
private boolean useless (int n) {
  for (int i = 0; i < n; i += 1)
    for (int j = i; j < n; j += 1)
      if (i + j < 0)
        return false;
  return true;
```

```
sequential time 5254
parallel time 3081
```

using 4 cores

parallelStream

in principle we can replace any stream() by parallelStream()

```
studentList
  .parallelStream()
  .sorted((x,y) -> points(y) - points(x))
  .findFirst();
```

sometimes it gives more speed

collect respects the encounter order of stream elements

```
List<Integer> list = Arrays.asList(0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9);
List<Integer> r1 =
    list
    .stream()
    .collect(Collectors.toList());
List<Integer> r2 =
    list
    .parallelStream()
    .collect(Collectors.toList());
                                              successful test
assertEquals("parallelTest", r1, r2);
```

some streams do not *have* a defined encounter order!

- streams based on e.g. HashSets
- streams on which unordered() has been called

good for parallelism!

bad for stable ordering.

foreach does *not* respect the encounter order!

```
List<Integer> list = Arrays.asList(0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9);
System.out.print("stream
                                    ");
list
  .stream()
  .forEach(i -> System.out.print(i + " "));
System.out.print("\nparallelStream ");
                                        stream
                                                     0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
                                        parallelStream 7 2 8 9 4 1 3 0 5 6
list
  .parallelStream()
  .forEach(i -> System.out.print(i + " "));
                                                       order can be
```

findFirst() vs findAny()

Optional<T> findAny()

- returns an Optional describing some element of the stream, or an empty Optional if the stream is empty
- especially in a parallelStream this is not necessarily the first stream element

Optional<T> findFirst()

• returns an Optional describing the first element of the stream, or an empty Optional if the stream is empty

often fails

going wild?

this is an easy way to use multiple cores should we parallelize any stream?



parallelization of streams and merging is also work this takes time and slows your program

sometimes there is a speed gain by using multiple cores

when you notice your stream processing program is slow

- try to optimize the order of operations
- parallelize the top-level of your streams measure if this gives the desired effect

recap

streams yield concise and efficient programs

- although everything can be done with arrays, lists and loops,
 this yields longer and more error prone programs that are often slower
- no null: avoid the billion dollar mistake

lazy evaluation is great

automatically only compute what you really need

can be parallelized very easily

- no guarantees for speed improvements
- we will see more options for parallelization in the remainder of the course

read https://docs.oracle.com/javase/9/docs/api/java/util/stream/package-summary.html



Concurrency (I)