

Overview of Java 8 Foundations

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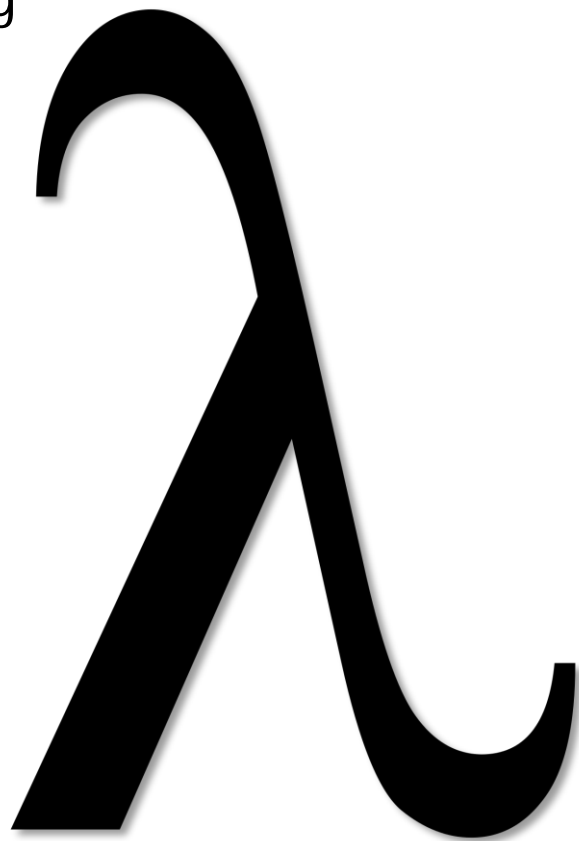
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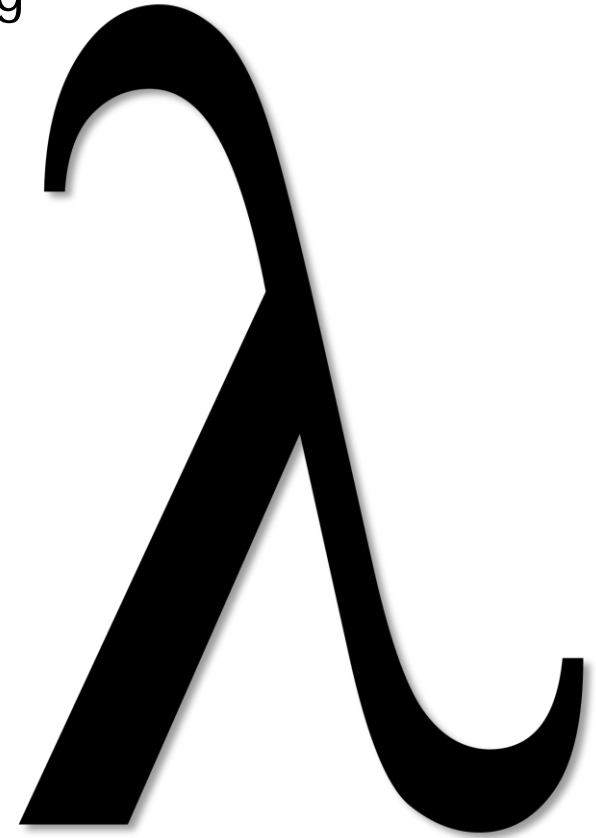
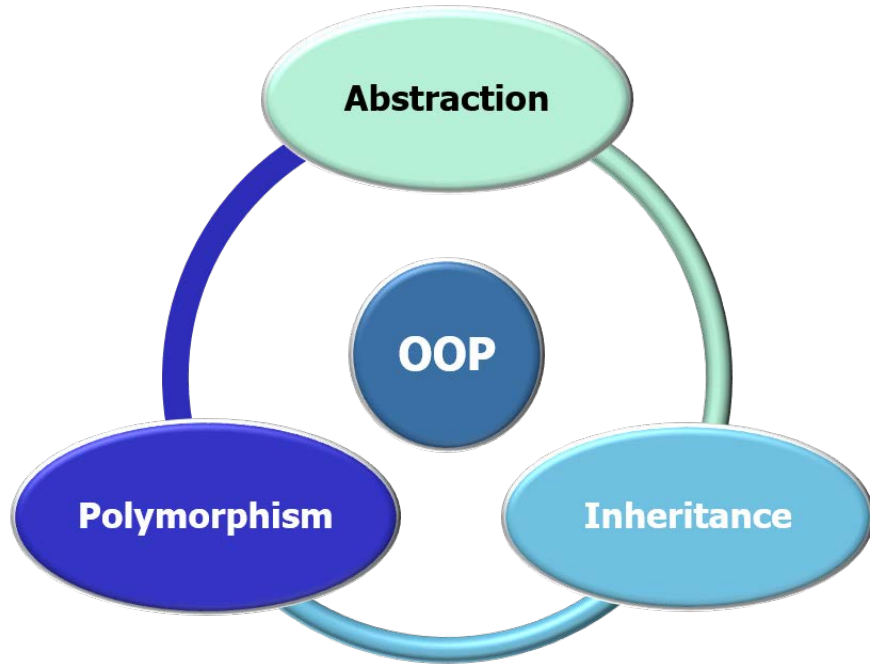
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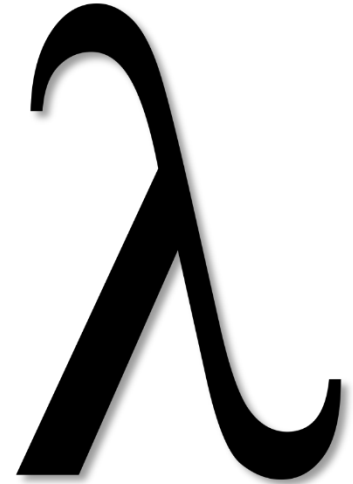
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- However, I don't know what you know or whether you're prepared or not!



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- Therefore, we'll start with a brief overview of foundational Java 8 functional programming concepts & features
 - e.g., lambda expressions, method references, & functional interfaces



These features are the foundation for Java 8's concurrency/parallelism frameworks

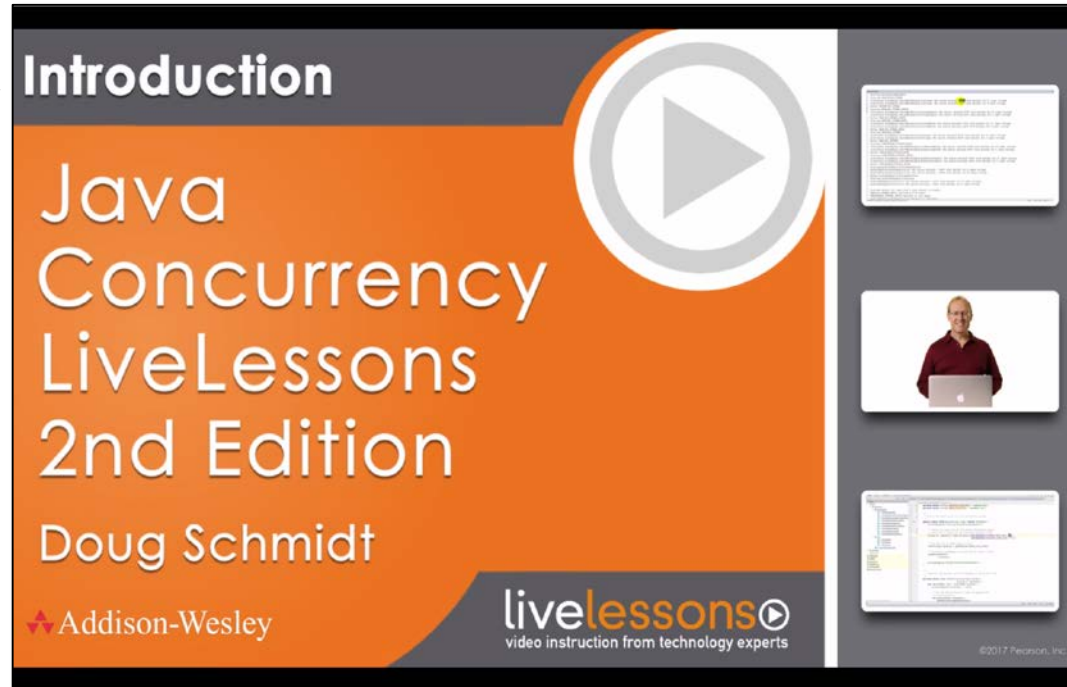
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- We're going to cover this material quickly so we can focus on the Java 8 concurrency & parallelism frameworks



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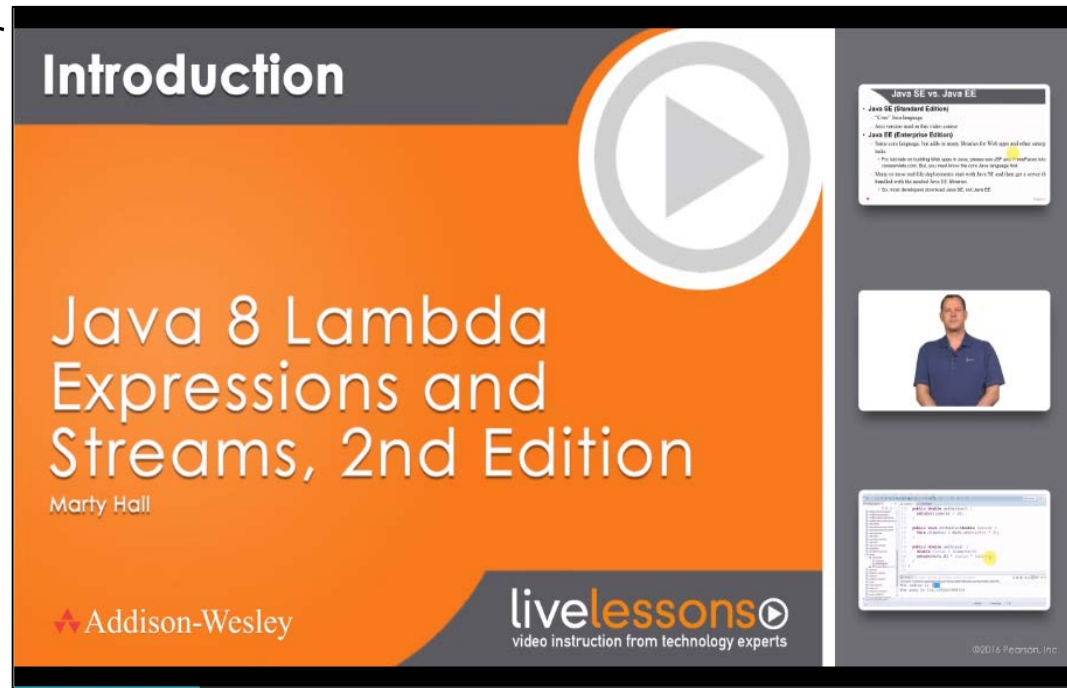
- My LiveLessons course on Java Concurrency covers concurrency & parallelism in Java 7 & Java 8



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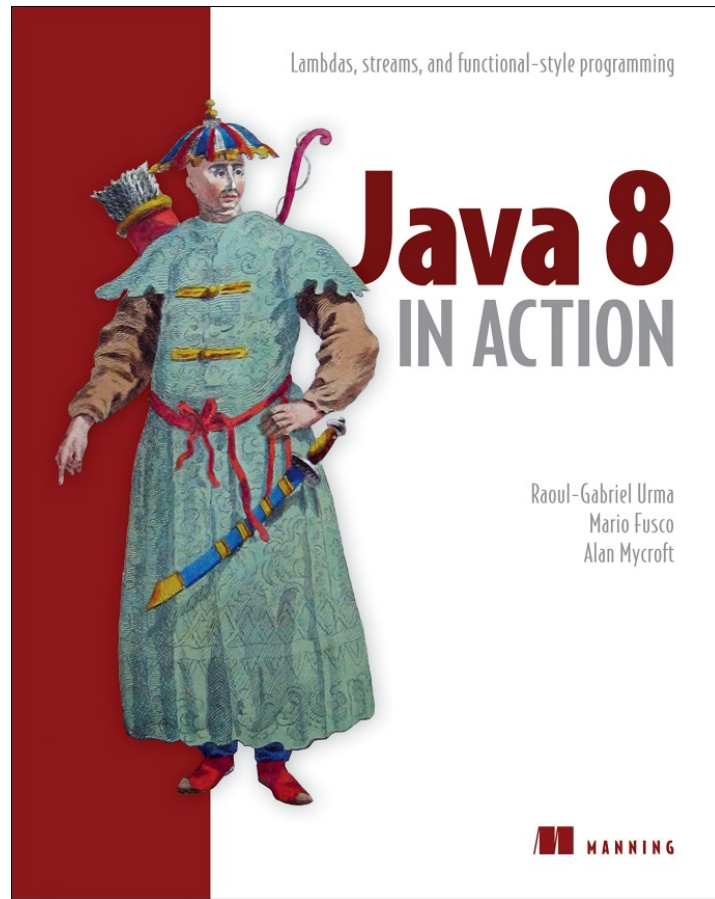
- Other LiveLessons courses cover Java 8 lambda expressions in even greater detail



See safari5.bvdep.com/video/programming/java/9780134383644

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See www.manning.com/books/java-8-in-action

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Processing Data with Java SE 8 Streams, Part 1

by Raoul-Gabriel Urma

Use stream operations to express sophisticated data processing queries.

What would you do without collections? Nearly every Java application *makes* and *processes* collections. They are fundamental to many programming tasks; they let you group and process data. For example, you might want to create a collection of banking transactions to represent a customer's statement. Then, you might want to process the whole collection to find out how much money the customer spent. Despite their importance, processing collections is far from perfect in Java.

First, typical processing patterns on collections are similar to SQL-like operations such as "finding" (for example, find the transaction with highest value) or "grouping" (for example, group all transactions related to grocery shopping). Most databases let you specify such operations declaratively. For example, the following SQL query lets you find the transaction ID with the highest value: "SELECT id, MAX(value) from transactions".

As you can see, we don't need to implement *how* to calculate the maximum value (for example, using loops and a variable to track the highest value). We only express *what* we expect. This basic idea means that you need to worry less about how to explicitly implement such queries—it is handled for you. Why can't we do something similar with collections? How many times do you find yourself reimplementing these operations using loops over and over again?

Second, how can we process really large collections efficiently? Ideally, to speed up the processing, you want to leverage multicore architectures. However, writing parallel code is hard and error-prone.

Java SE 8 to the rescue! The Java API designers are updating the API with a new abstraction called *Stream* that lets you process data in a declarative way. Furthermore, streams can leverage multi-core architectures without you having to write a single line of multithread code. Sounds good, doesn't it? That's what this series of articles will explore.

Before we explore in detail what you can do with streams, let's take a look at an example so you have a sense of the new programming style with Java SE 8 streams. Let's say we need to find all transactions of type *grocery* and return a list of transaction IDs sorted in decreasing order of transaction value. In Java SE 7, we'd do that as shown in **Listing 1**. In Java SE 8, we'd do it as shown in **Listing 2**.

```
List<Transaction> groceryTransactions = new ArrayList<>();
for(Transaction t: transactions){
    if(t.getType() == Transaction.GROCERY){
        groceryTransactions.add(t);
    }
}
Collections.sort(groceryTransactions, new Comparator(){
    public int compare(Transaction t1, Transaction t2){
        return t2.getValue().compareTo(t1.getValue());
    }
});
List<Integer> transactionIds = new ArrayList<>();
for(Transaction t: groceryTransactions){
    transactionIds.add(t.getId());
}
```



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Here's a mind-blowing idea: these two operations can produce elements "forever."

See www.oracle.com/technetwork/articles/java/ma14-java-se-8-streams-2177646.html

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Part 2: Processing Data with Java SE 8 Streams

by Raoul-Gabriel Urma

Published May 2014

Combine advanced operations of the Stream API to express rich data processing queries.

In the first part of this series, you saw that streams let you process collections with database-like operations. As a refresher, the example in Listing 1 shows how to sum the values of only expensive transactions using the Stream API. We set up a pipeline of operations consisting of intermediate operations (`filter`, `map`) and a terminal operation (`reduce`), as illustrated in Figure 1.

```
int sumExpensive =
    transactions.stream()
                .filter(t -> t.getValue() > 1000)
                .map(Transaction::getValue)
                .reduce(0, Integer::sum);
```

Listing 1

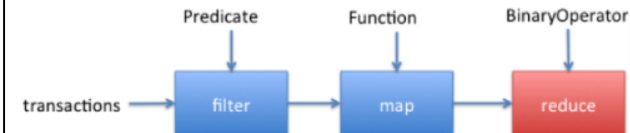


Figure 1

However, the first part of this series didn't investigate two operations:

- `flatMap`: An intermediate operation that lets you combine a "map" and a "flatten" operation
- `collect`: A terminal operation that takes as an argument various recipes (called *collectors*) for accumulating the elements of a stream into a summary result

These two operations are useful for expressing more-complex queries. For instance, you can combine `flatMap` and `collect` to produce a `Map` representing the number of occurrences of each character that appears in a stream of words, as shown in Listing 2. Don't worry if this code seems overwhelming at first. The purpose of this article is to explain and explore these two operations in more detail.

```
import static java.util.function.Function.identity;
import static java.util.stream.Collectors.*;

Stream<String> words = Stream.of("Java", "Magazine", "is",
    "the", "best");

Map<String, Long> letterToCount =
    words.map(w -> w.split(""))
        .flatMap(Arrays::stream)
        .collect(groupingBy(identity(), counting()));
```



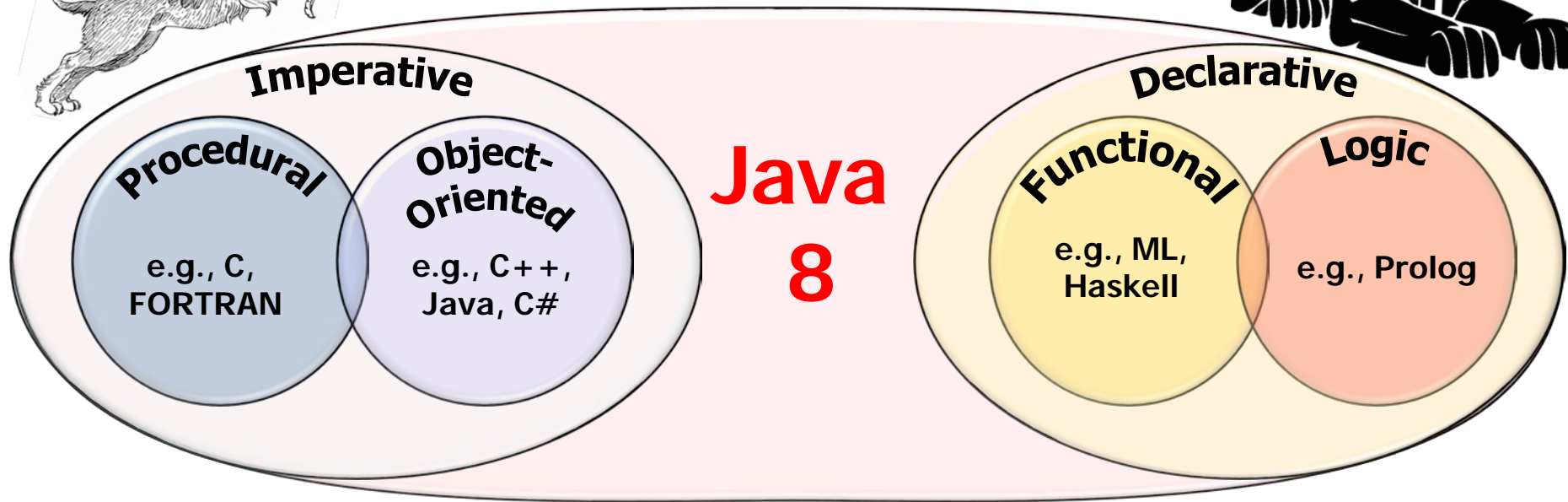
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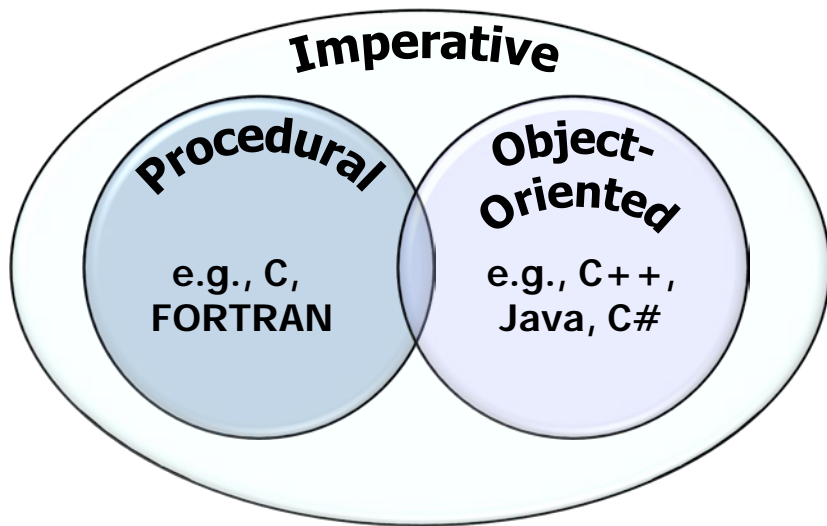
- Java 8 is a “hybrid” that combines the object-oriented & functional paradigms



See www.deadcoderising.com/why-you-should-embrace-lambdas-in-java-8

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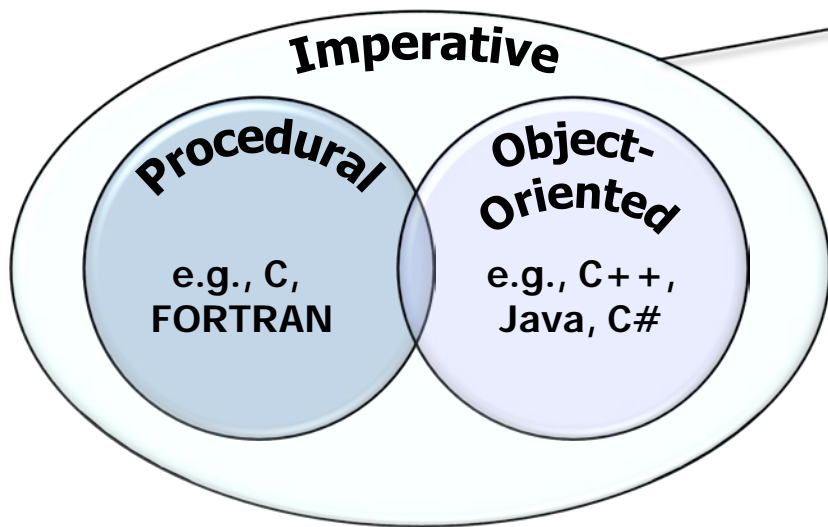


See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Imperative_programming

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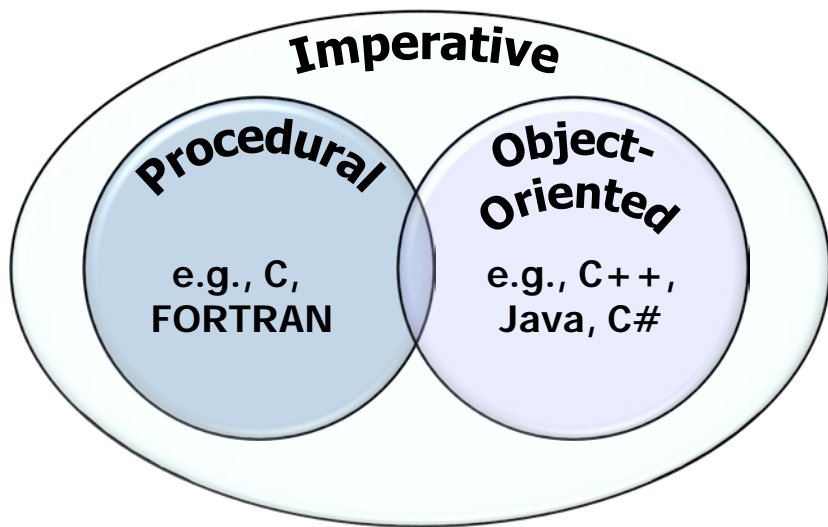
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    List<String> res =  
        new ArrayList<>();  
    for (String line : lines)  
        if (!omit.equals(line))  
            res.add(line);  
    return res;  
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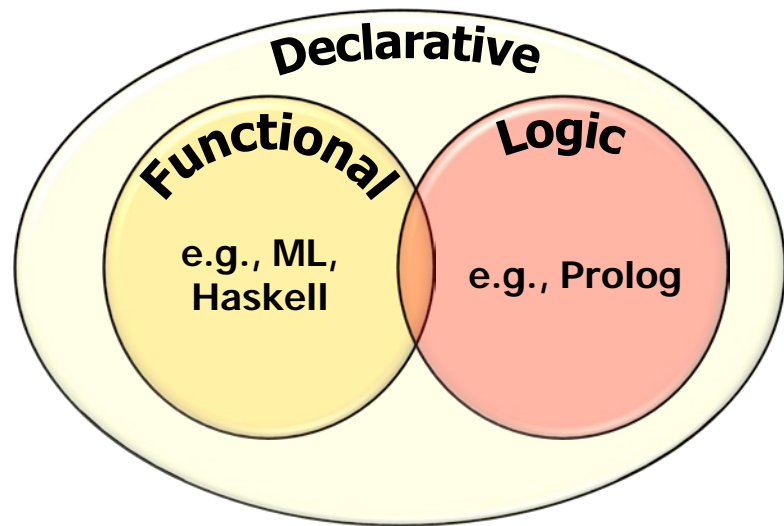


Imperatively remove a designated string from a list of strings

Note how this code is inherently sequential..

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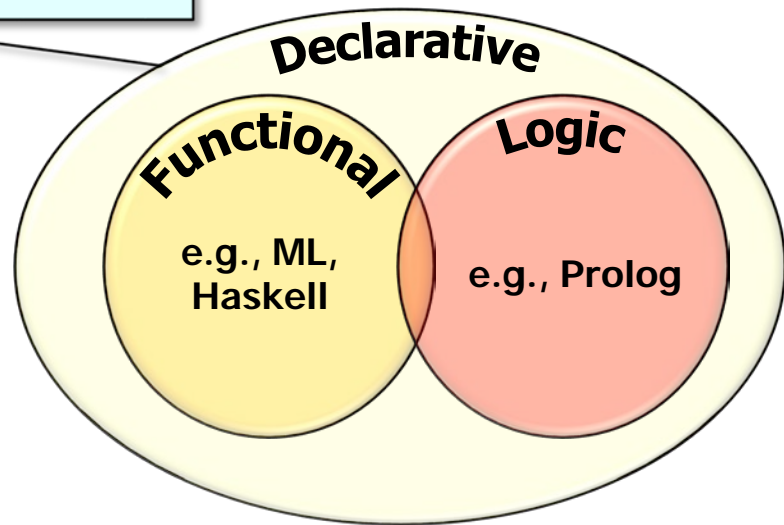


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Declarative programming focuses on “what” computations to perform, not “how” to compute them

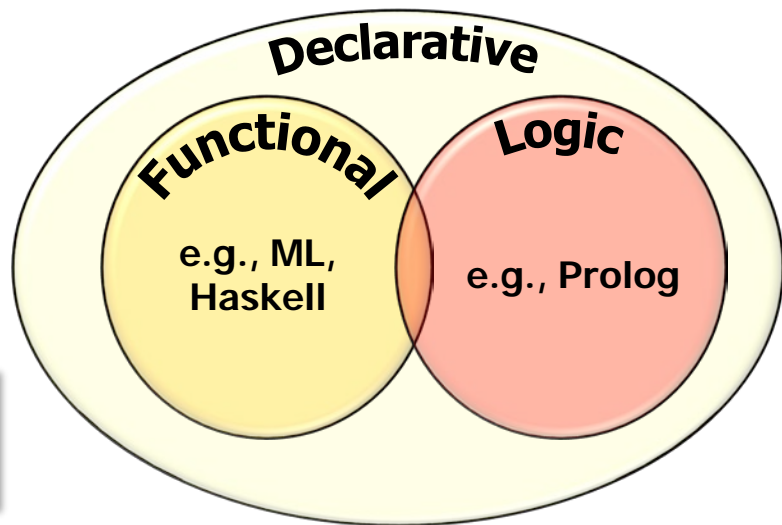


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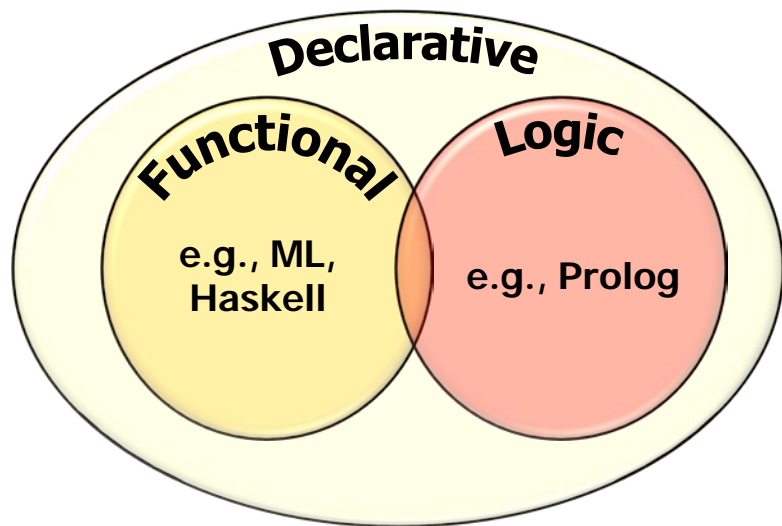


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*Note “fluent” programming style
with cascading method calls*



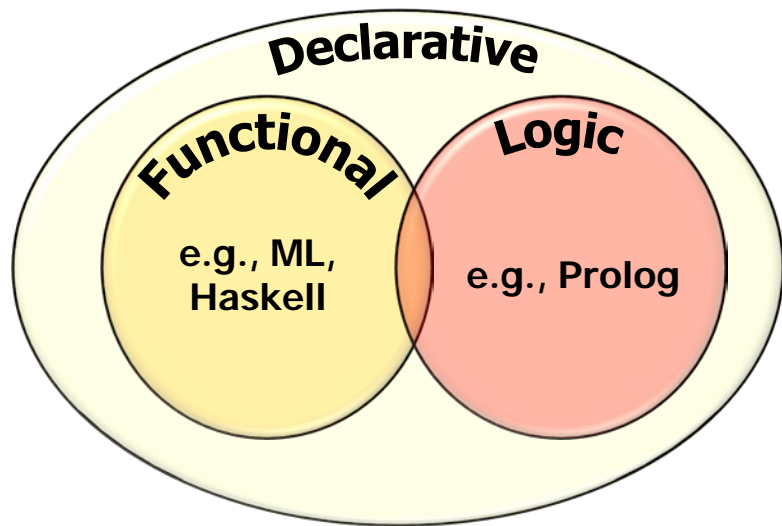
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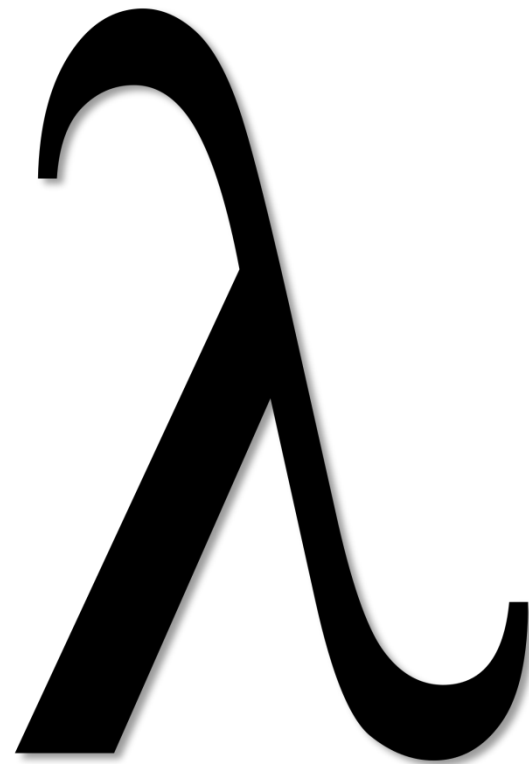
Perform the filtering in parallel



Note how this code is can be parallelized with minimal changes..

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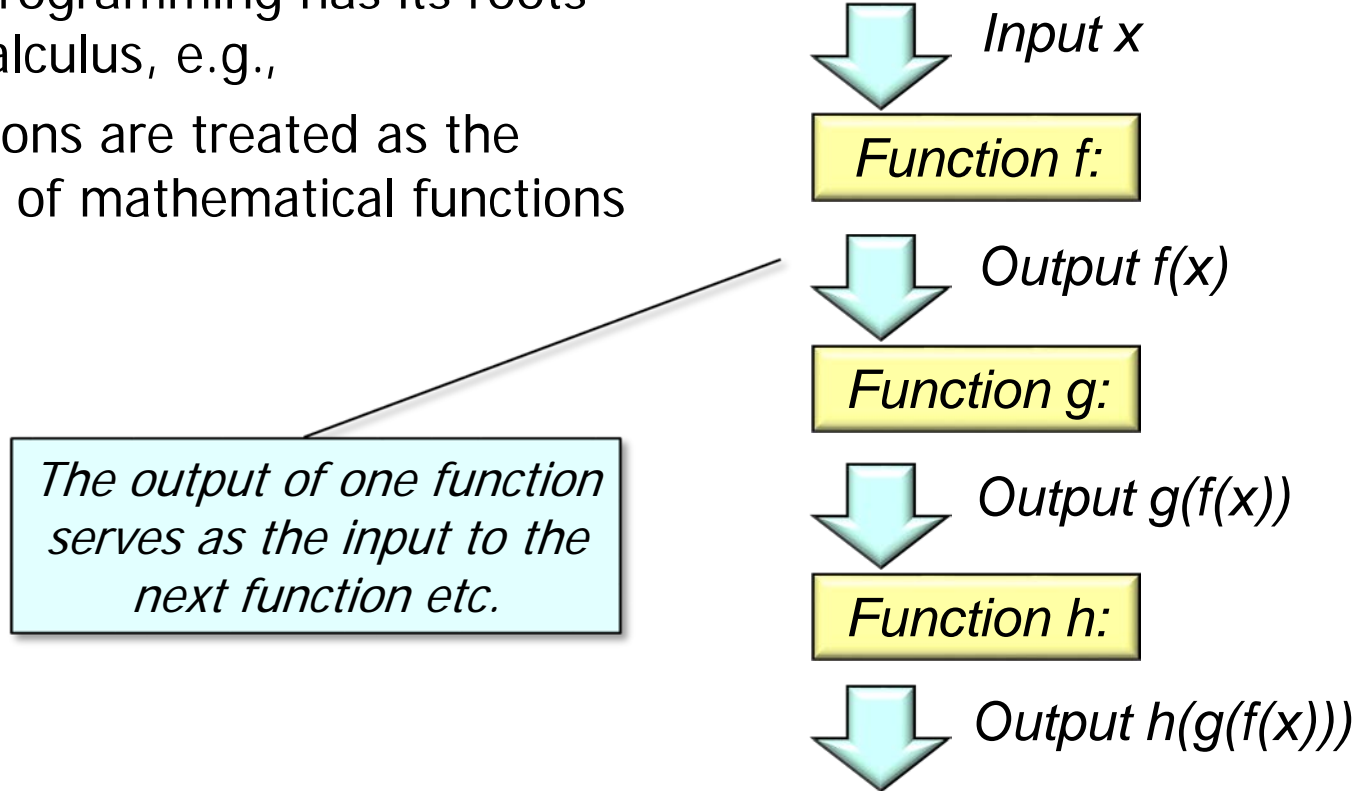
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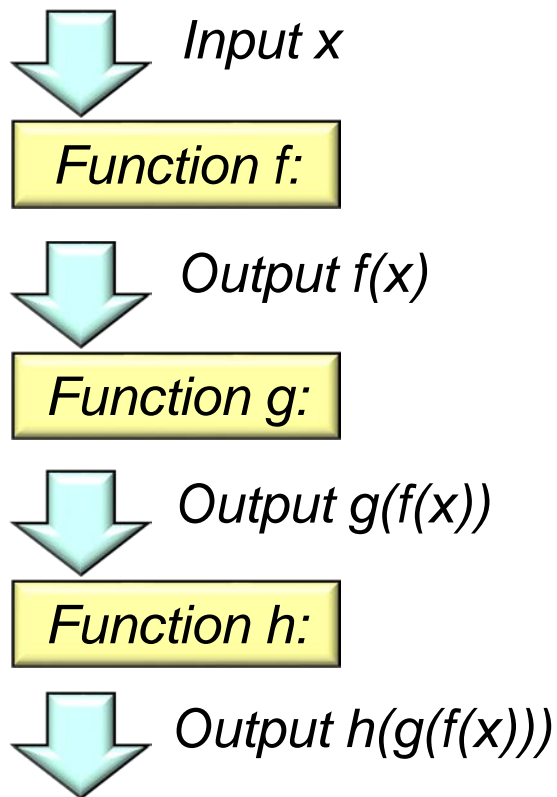
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```
long parallelFactorial(long n) {  
    return LongStream  
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        .parallel()  
        .reduce(1, (a, b) -> a * b);  
}
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    public void mult(long n)  
    { mTotal *= n; }  
}
```

Beware of race conditions!!!

```
long parallelFactorial(long n) {  
    Total t = new Total();  
    LongStream.rangeClosed(1, n)  
        .parallel()  
        .forEach(t::mult);  
    return t.mTotal;  
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*Only you can prevent
race conditions!*

In Java *you* must avoid race conditions, i.e., the compiler & JVM won't save you..

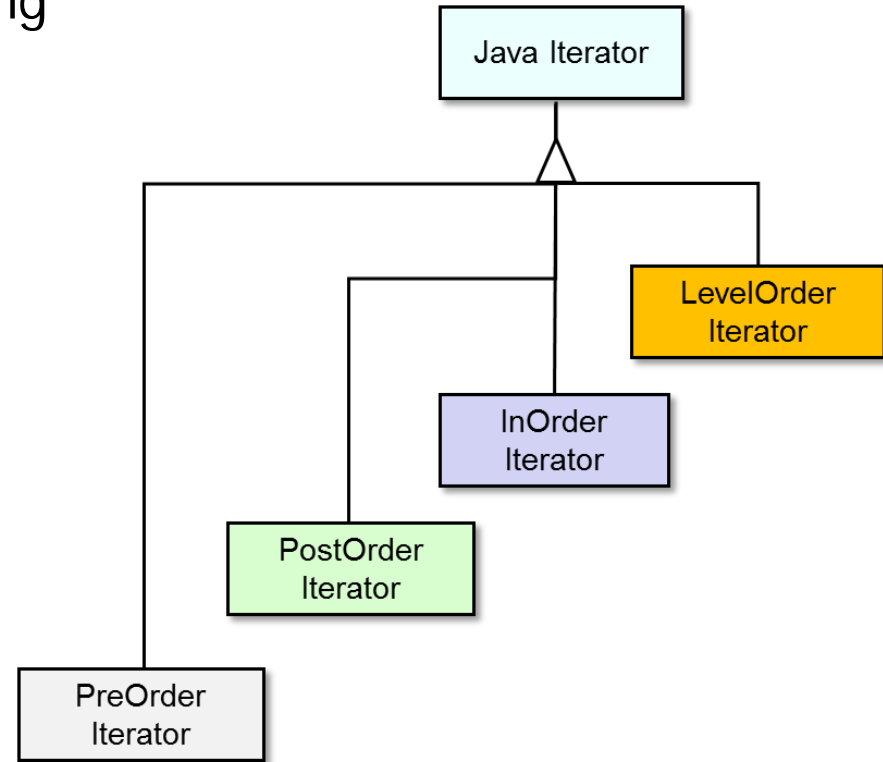
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- Instead, the focus is on “immutable” objects
 - i.e., objects whose state cannot change after they are constructed



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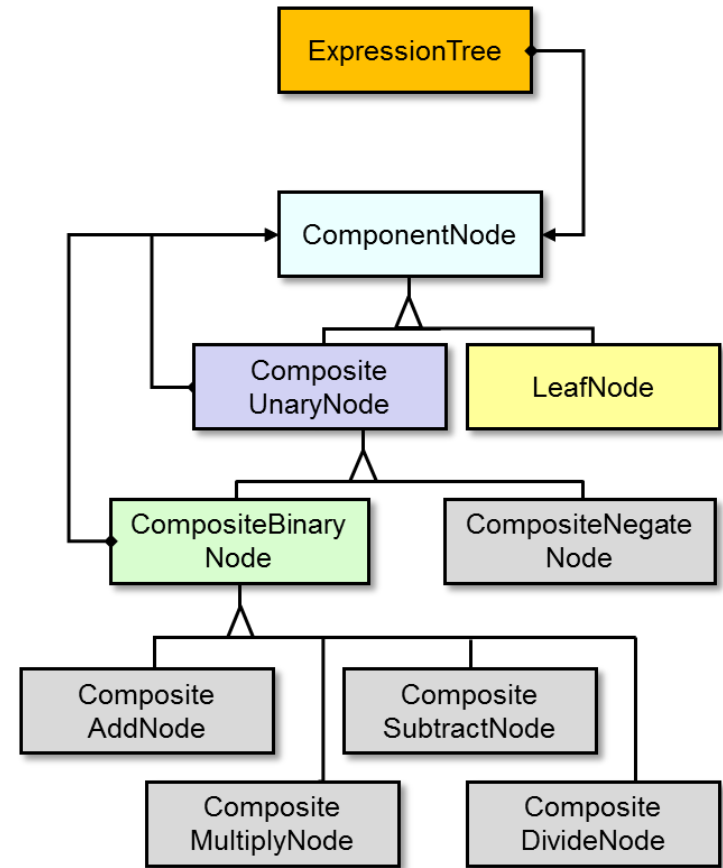
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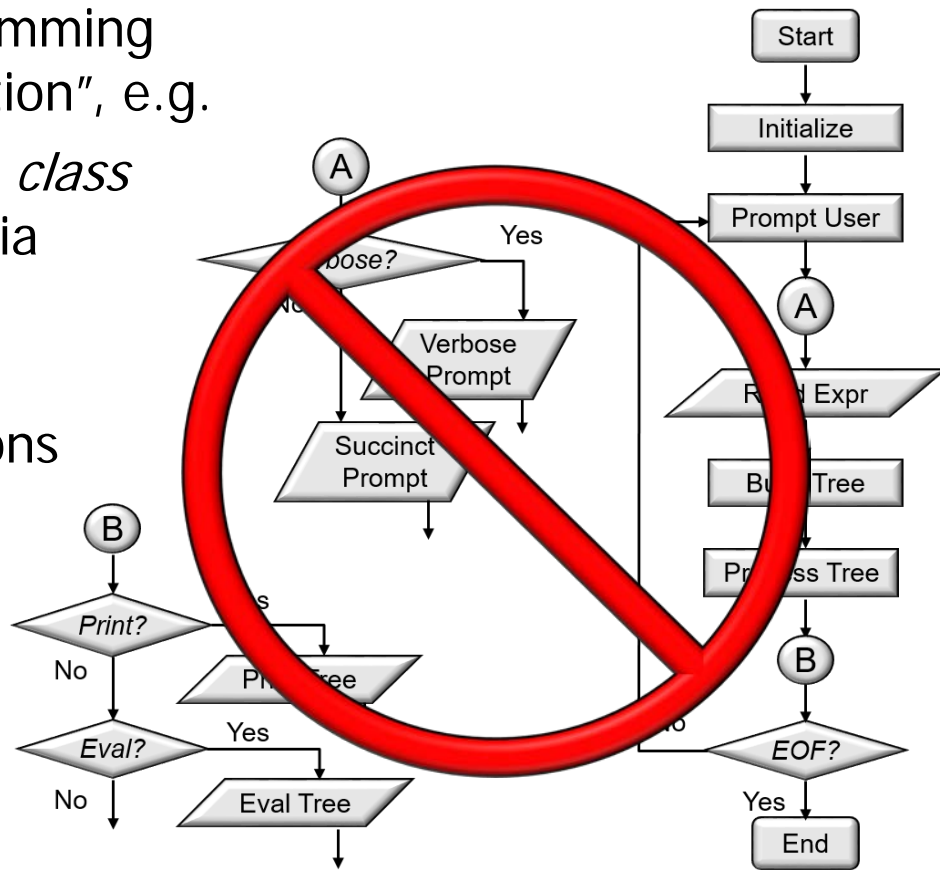
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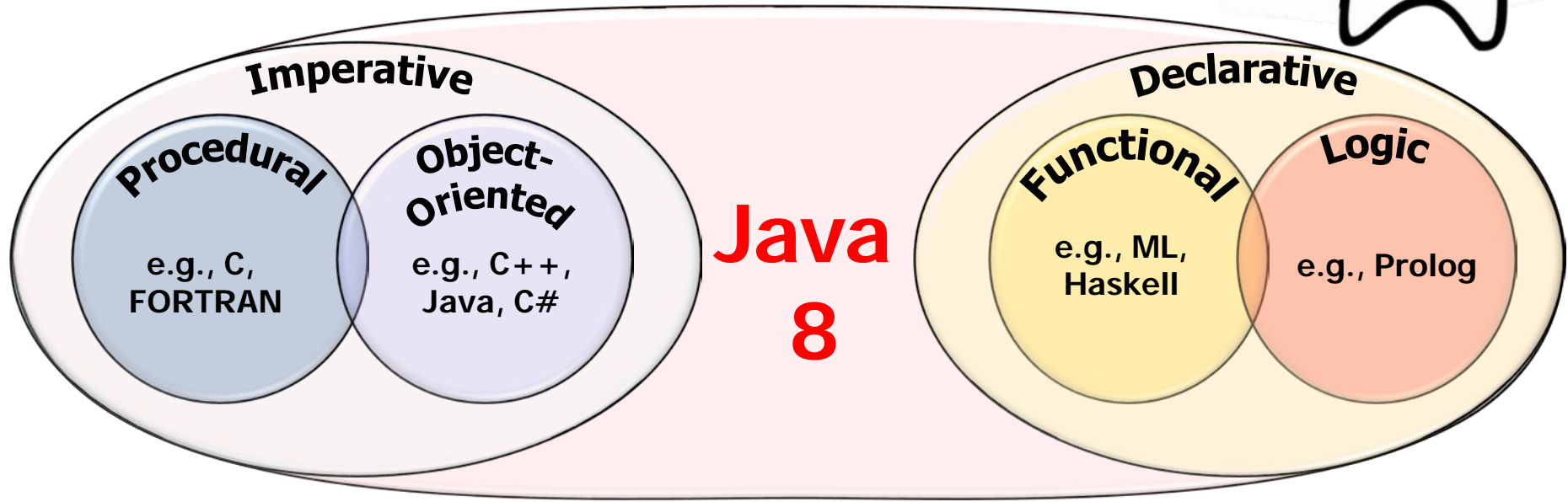


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Combining Object-Oriented (OO) & Functional Programming (FP) in Java 8

Benefits of Combining OO & FP in Java 8

- Java 8's combination of functional & object-oriented paradigms is powerful!



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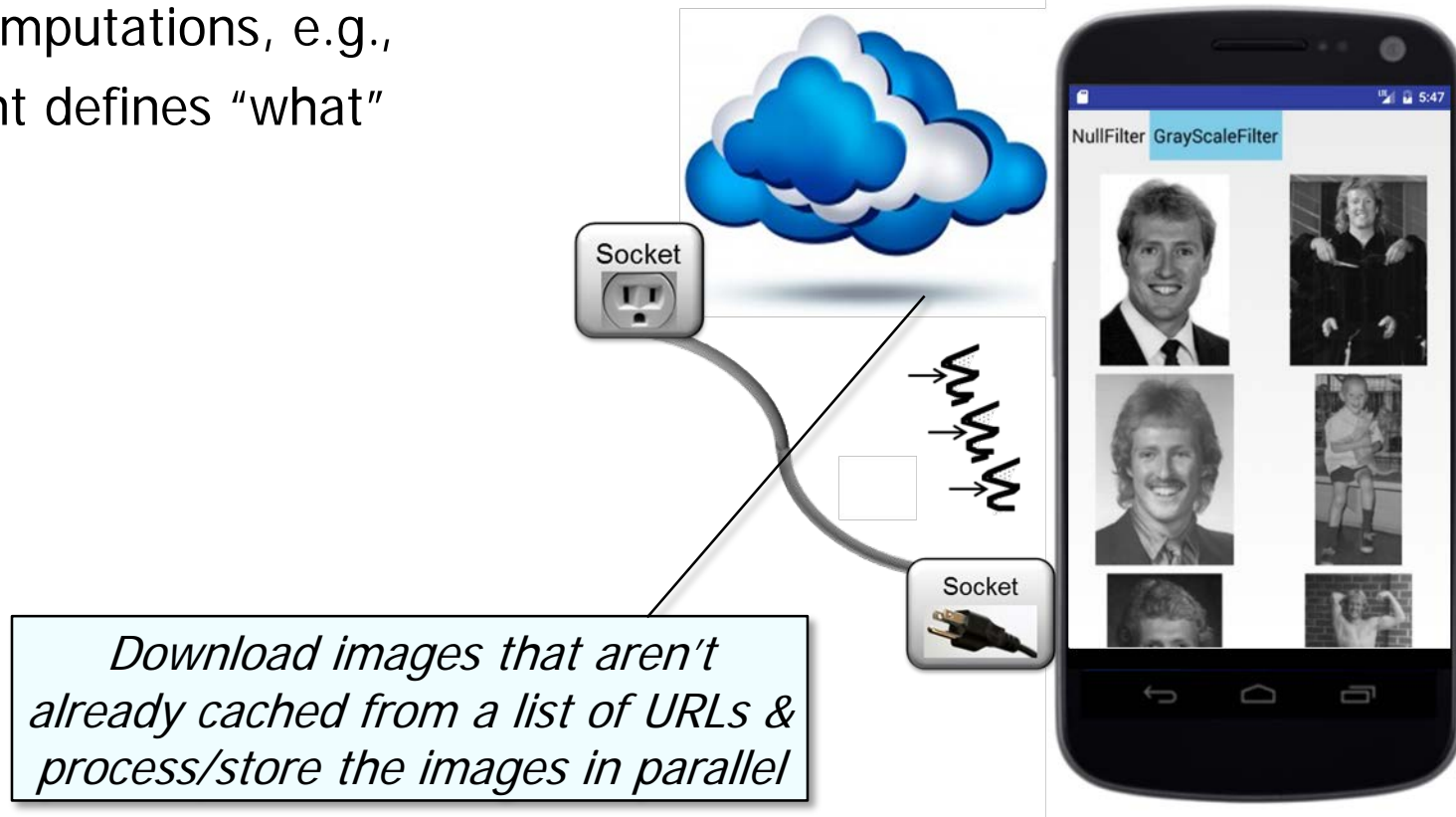
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See www.toptal.com/software/declarative-programming

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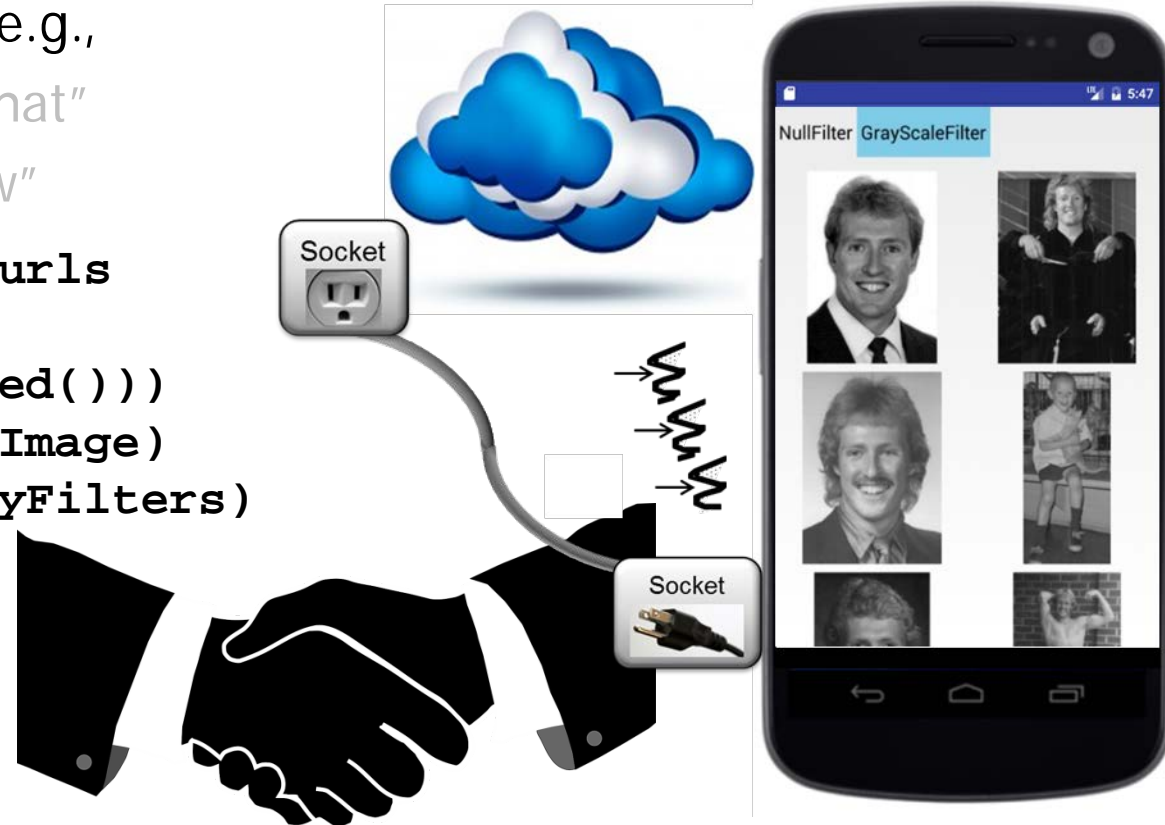
*Download images that aren't
already cached from a list of URLs &
process/store the images in parallel*



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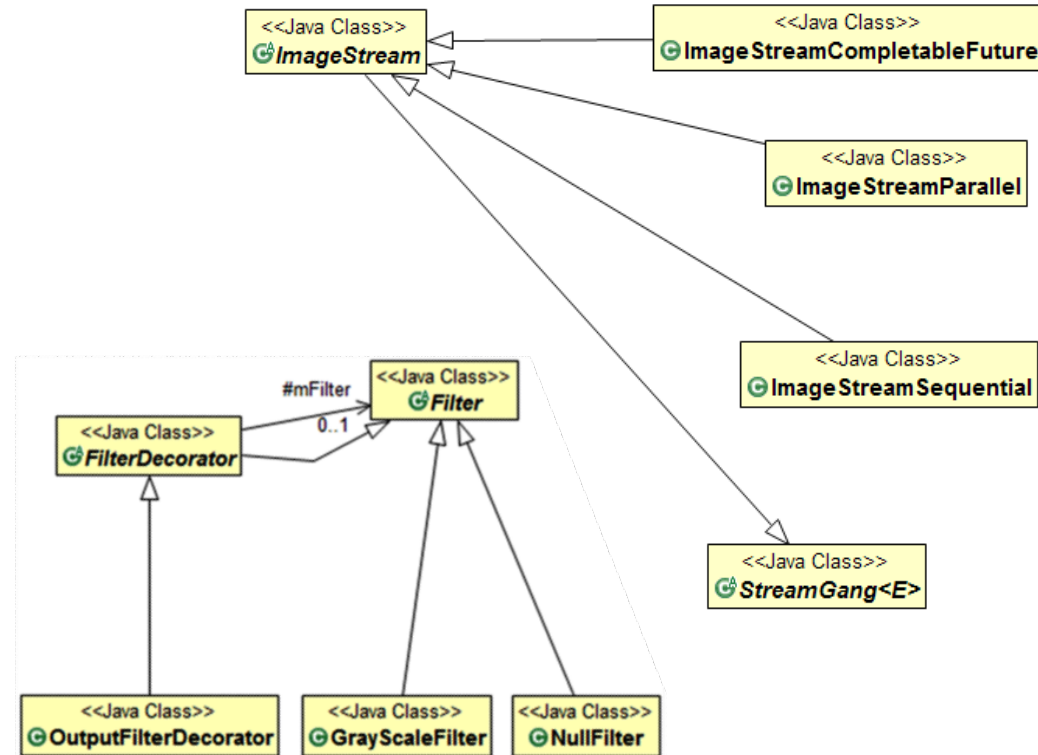
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Java 8 functional programming features connect domain intent & computations

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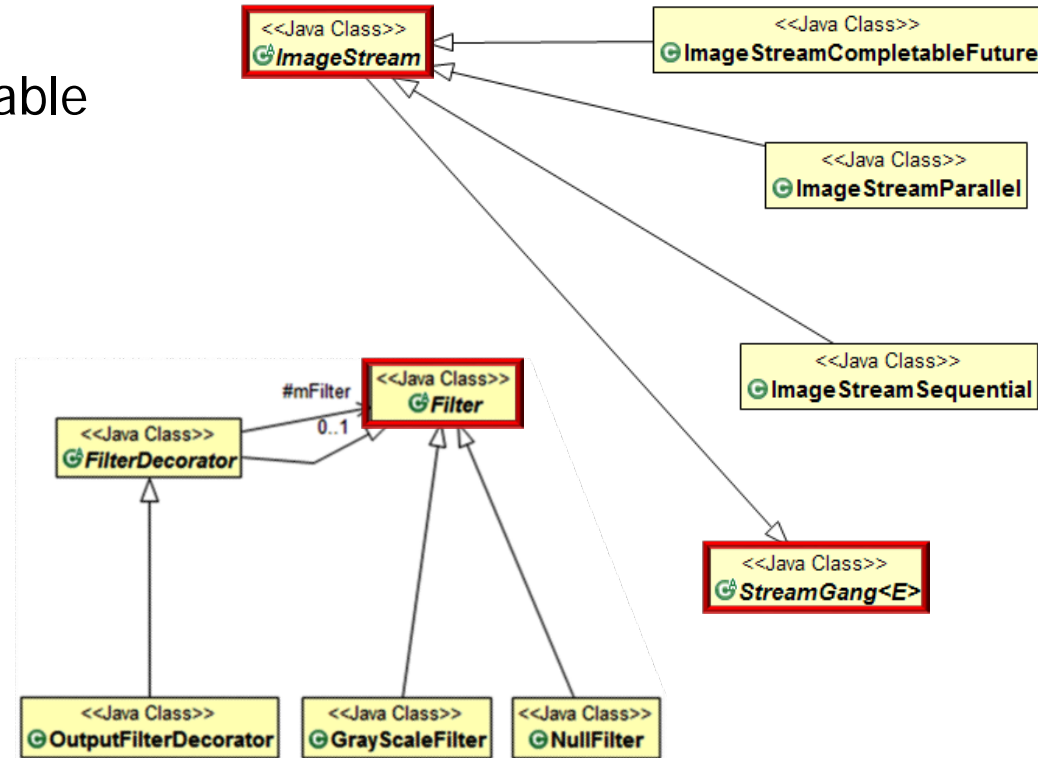
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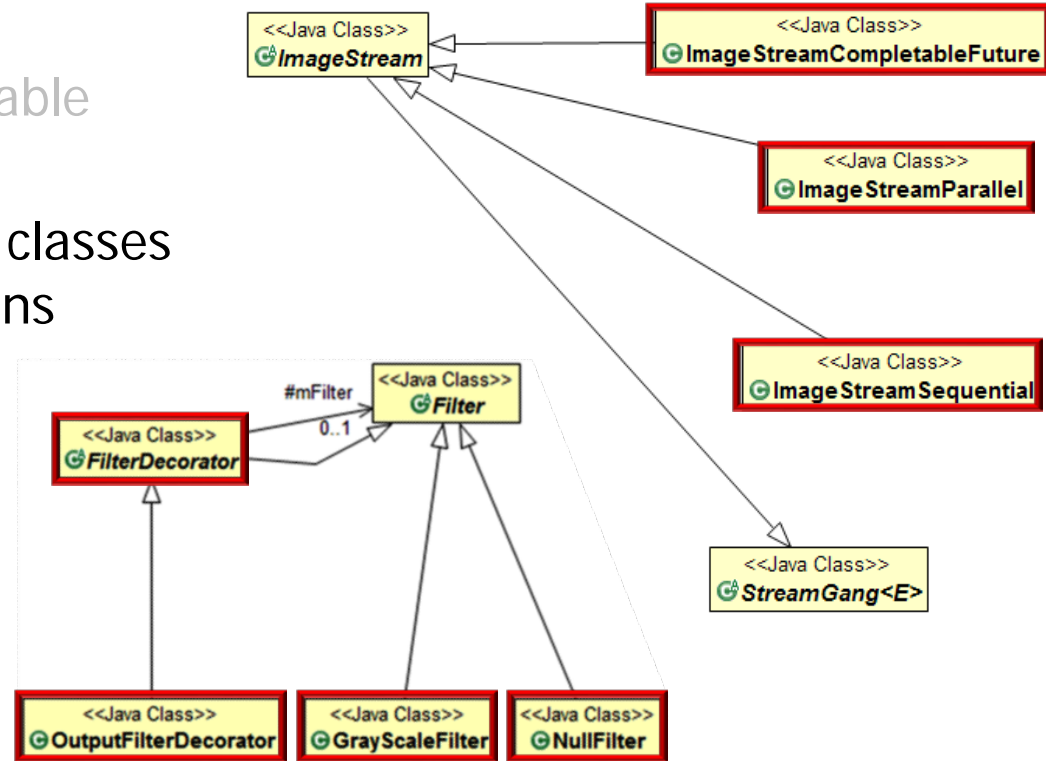
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 - Common classes provide a reusable foundation for extensibility



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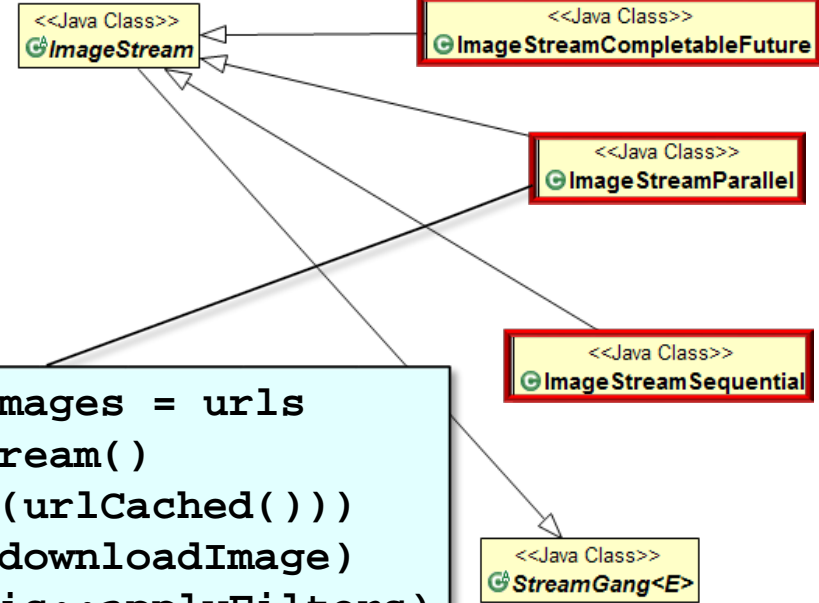
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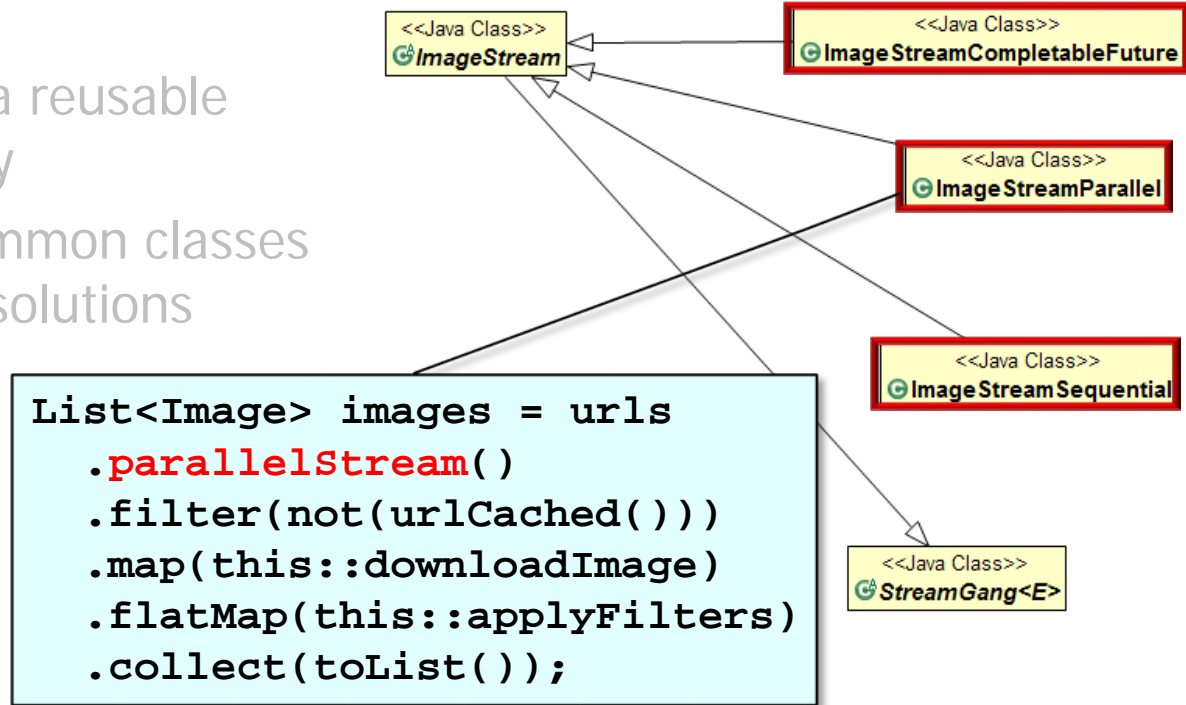
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```
List<Image> images = urls
    .parallelStream()
    .filter(not(urlCached()))
    .map(this::downloadImage)
    .flatMap(this::applyFilters)
    .collect(toList());
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