

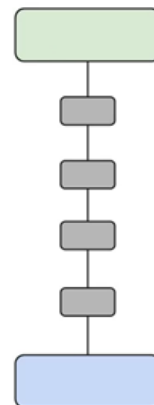
Spring Reactor

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Terminologies

- Publisher
 - Source
 - Observable
 - Upstream
 - Producer
- Subscriber
 - Sink
 - Observer
 - Downstream
 - Consumer

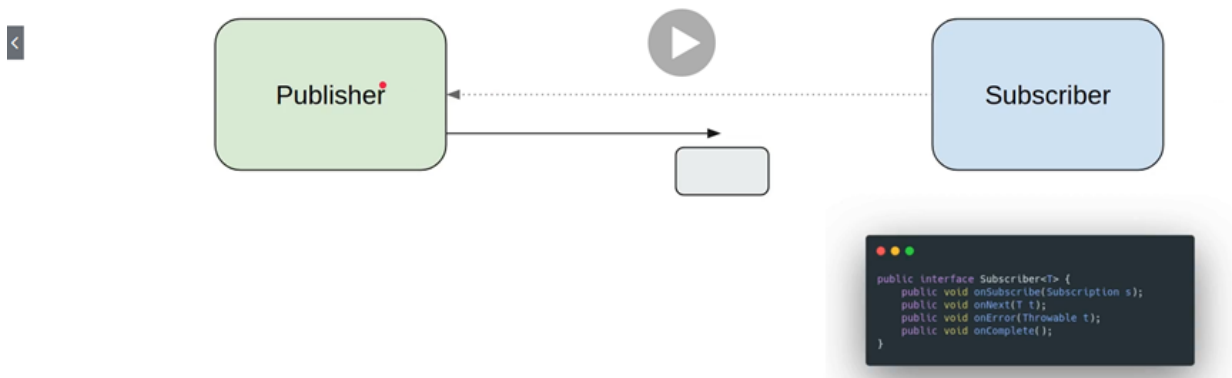


Step 1: Subscriber wants to connect

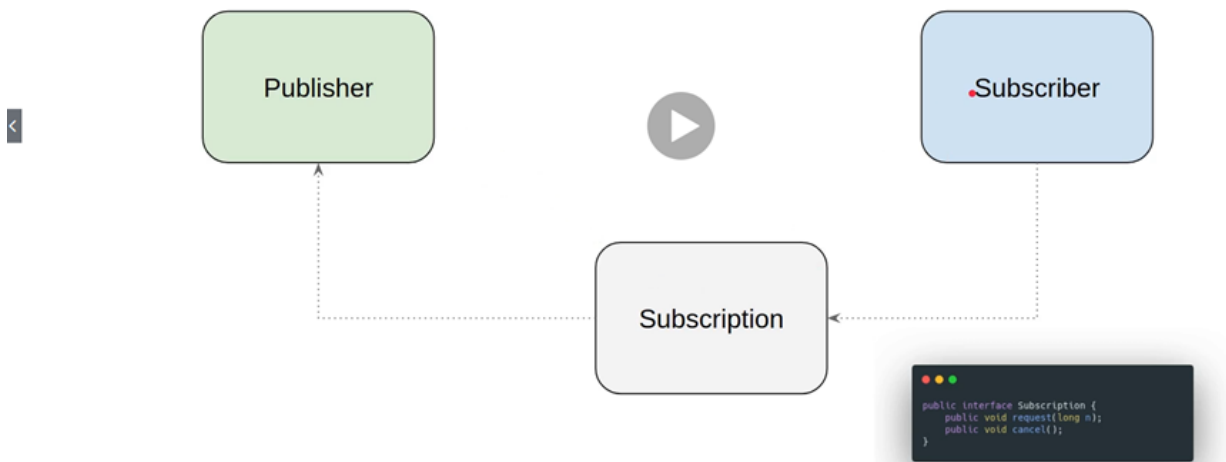


```
public interface Publisher<T> {  
    public void subscribe(Subscriber<? super T> s);  
}
```

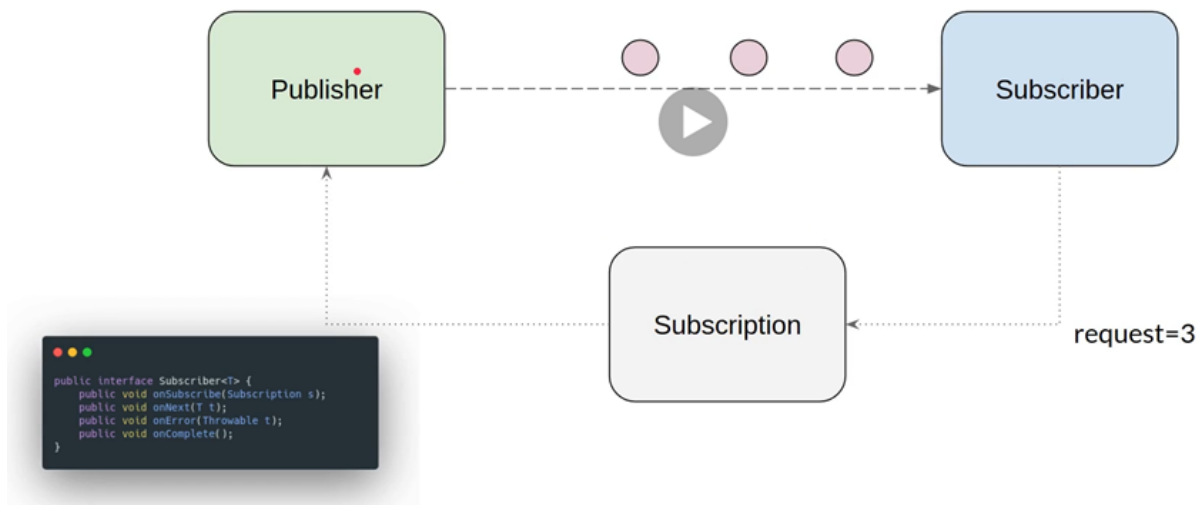
Step 2: Publisher calls onSubscribe



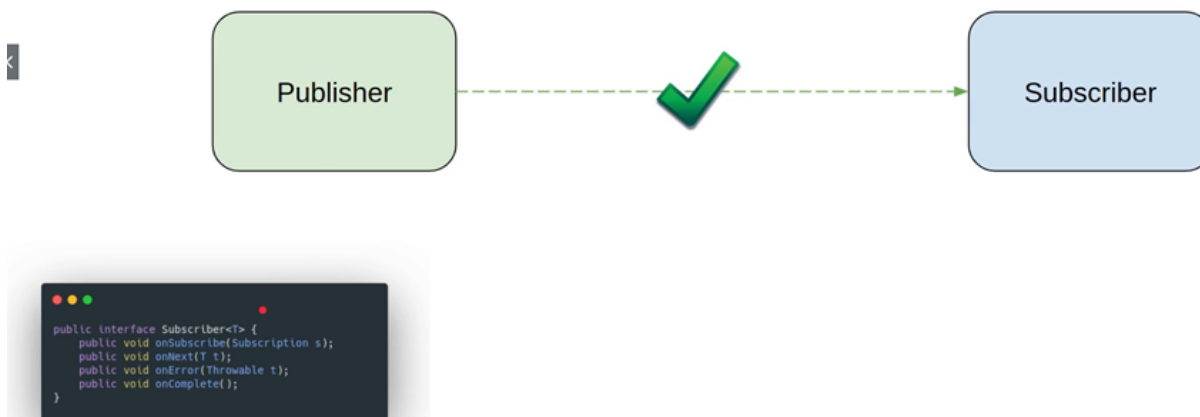
Step 3: Subscription



Step 4: Publisher pushes data via onNext



Step 5: onComplete



Flux - Emitting Items Programmatically

Flux - create / generate

Create	Generate
Accepts a Consumer<FluxSink<T>>	Accepts a Consumer<SynchronousSink<T>>
Consumer is invoked only once	Consumer is invoked again and again based on the downstream demand
Consumer can emit 0..N elements immediately	Consumer can emit only one element
Publisher might not be aware of downstream processing speed. So we need to provide Overflow Strategy as an additional parameter.	Publisher produces elements based on the downstream demand
Thread-safe	N/A
fluxSink.requestedFromDownstream() fluxSink.isCancelled()	N/A

Cold and Hot publishers

<https://www.vinsguru.com/reactor-hot-publisher-vs-cold-publisher/>

Cold Publisher (Netflix)

Publishers by default do not produce any value unless at least 1 observer subscribes to it. Publishers create new data producers for each new subscription.

See: [ColdPublisherTest.java](#)

Hot Publisher (TV,Radio)

Hot Publishers do not create new data producer for each new subscription (as the Cold Publisher does). Instead there will be only one data producer and all the observers listen to the data produced by the single data producer. So all the observers get the same data.

See: [HotPublisherTest.java](#)

Method	Usage
share publish().refCount(1)	At least 1 subscriber. It will reconnect later when all the subscribers cancelled and some new subscriber appears
publish().autoConnect(1)	Same as above. but no resubscription. if the source emits, subscribers will receive item
publish().autoConnect(0)	real hot publisher - no subscriber required
cache()	Cache the emitted item for late subscribers

Figure 1. Image caption