# Higher-order Mapping Operators



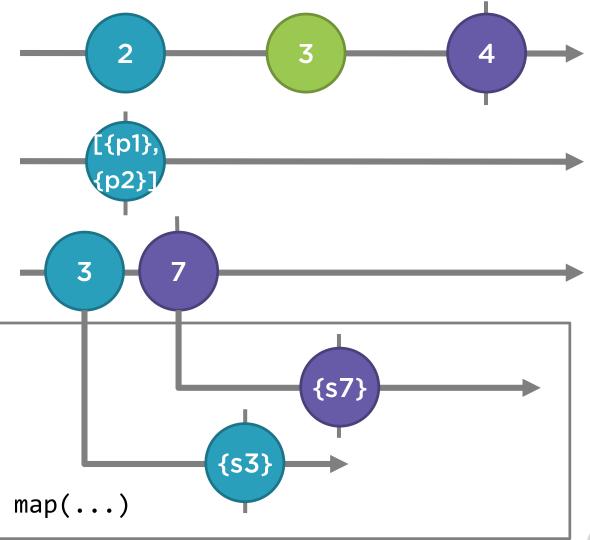
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#### Observables

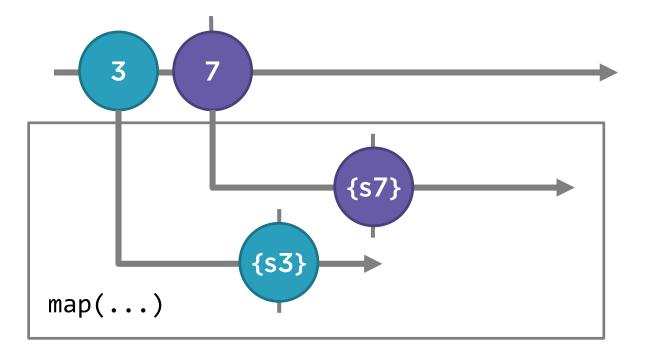
```
of(2, 3, 4)
.subscribe();
```

```
this.http.get<Product[]>(this.url)
  .subscribe();
```



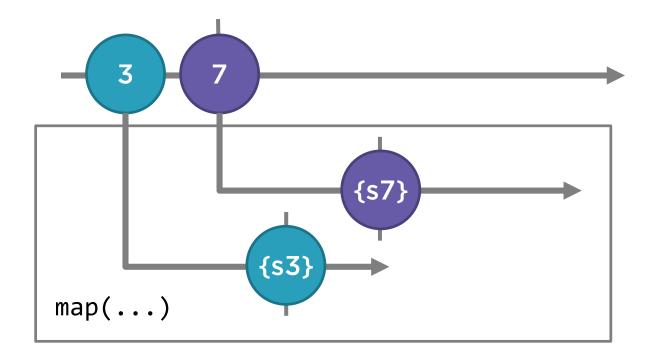


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# Higher-order mapping operators transform higher-order Observables.



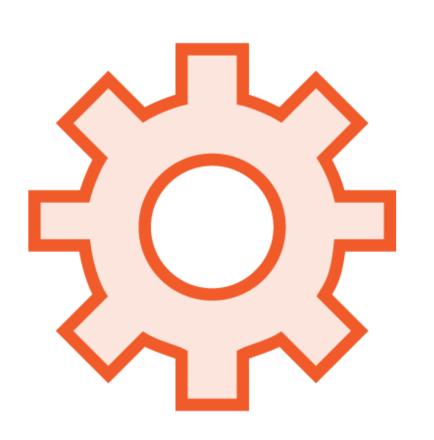
# Module Overview



Higher-order mapping operators



# RxJS Features



concatMap

mergeMap

switchMap

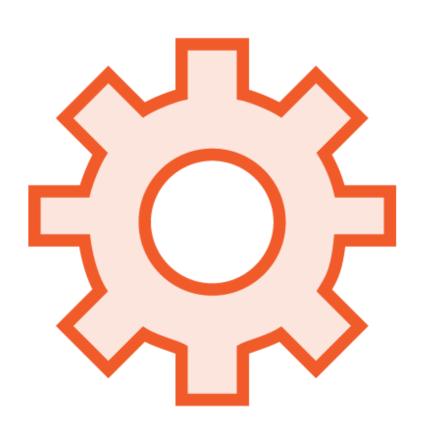


### Higher-order Mapping Operators

```
export interface Product {
  id: number;
  productName: string;
  productCode?: string;
  description?: string;
  price?: number;
  categoryId?: number;
  category?: string;
  supplierIds?: number[];
}
```

```
of(1, 5, 8)
  .pipe(
   map(id => this.http.get<Supplier>(`${this.url}/${id}`))
  ).subscribe(console.log);
```

# Higher-order RxJS Mapping Operators



Family of operators: xxxMap()

#### Map each value

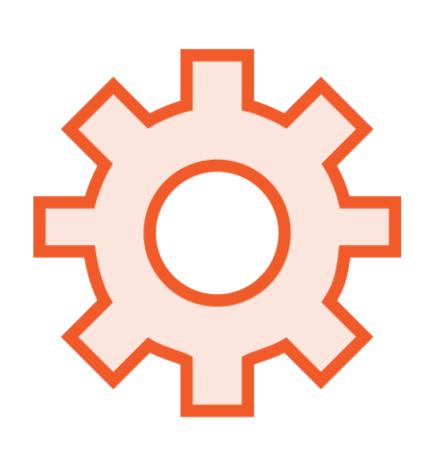
- From a source (outer) Observable
- To a new (inner) Observable

Automatically subscribe/unsubscribe from inner Observables

Emit the resulting values to the output Observable



# Higher-order RxJS Mapping Operators



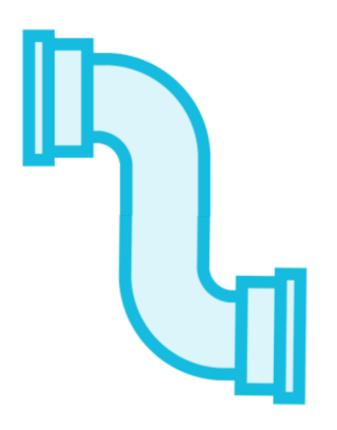
concatMap

mergeMap

switchMap



# RxJS Operator: concatMap



Higher-order mapping + concatenation

Transforms each emitted item to a new (inner) Observable as defined by a function

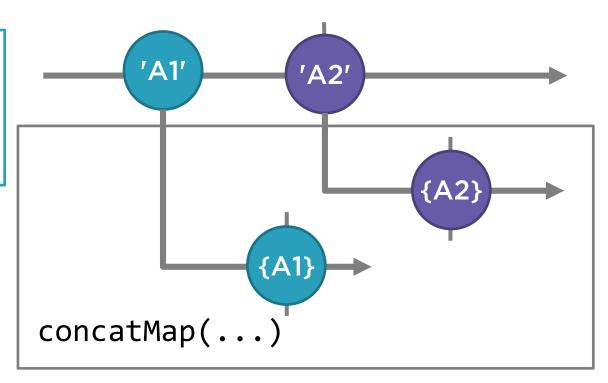
It waits for each inner Observable to complete before processing the next one

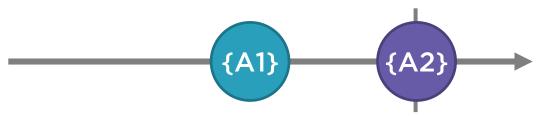
Concatenates their results in sequence



# Marble Diagram: concatMap

```
of('A1', 'A2')
.pipe(
  concatMap(id =>
  this.http.get<Apple>(`${this.url}/${id}`))
).subscribe(console.log);
```







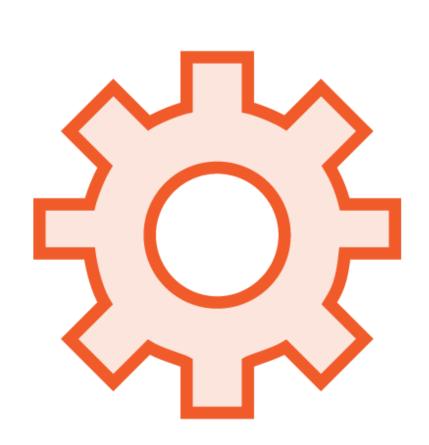
# RxJS Operator: concatMap

#### concatMap is a transformation operator

- Takes in an input stream, subscribes
- Creates an output stream

#### When an item is emitted, it's queued

- Item is mapped to a inner Observable as specified by a provided function
- Subscribes to inner Observable
- Waits!
- Inner Observable emissions are concatenated to the output stream
- When inner Observable completes, processes the next item





# Use concatMap



To wait for the prior Observable to complete before starting the next one

To process items in sequence

#### **Examples:**

- From a set of ids, get data in sequence
- From a set of ids, update data in sequence



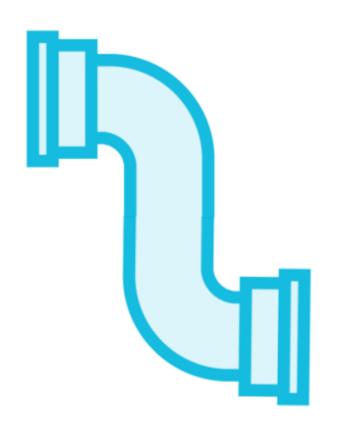
# Demo



concatMap



# RxJS Operator: mergeMap



Higher-order mapping + merging

Transforms each emitted item to a new (inner) Observable as defined by a function

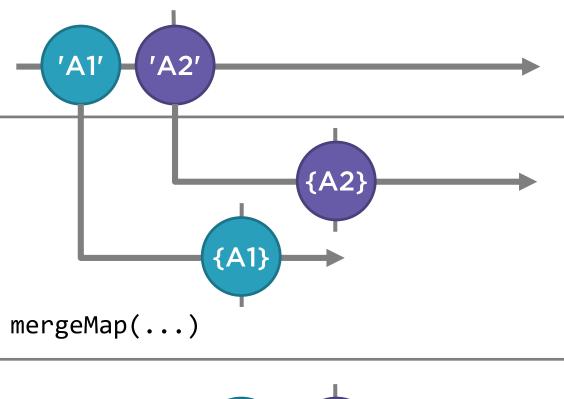
It executes inner Observables in parallel

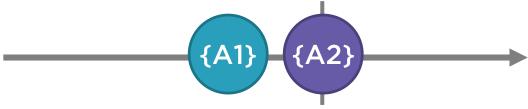
And merges their results



# Marble Diagram: mergeMap

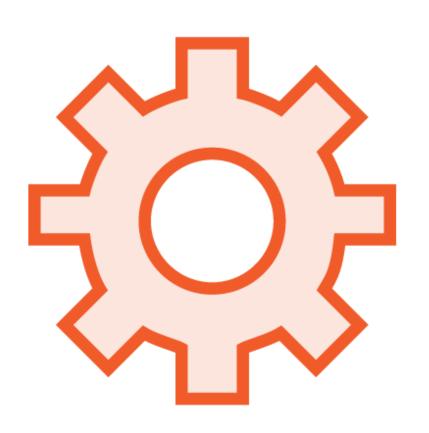
```
of('A1', 'A2')
  .pipe(
   mergeMap(id =>
   this.http.get<Apple>(`${this.url}/${id}`))
  ).subscribe(console.log);
```







# RxJS Operator: mergeMap (flatMap)



#### mergeMap is a transformation operator

- Takes in an input stream, subscribes
- Creates an output stream

#### When each item is emitted

- Item is mapped to a inner Observable as specified by a provided function
- Subscribes to inner Observable
- Inner Observable emissions are merged to the output stream



# Use mergeMap



To process in parallel

When order doesn't matter

#### **Examples:**

- From a set of ids, retrieve data (order doesn't matter)



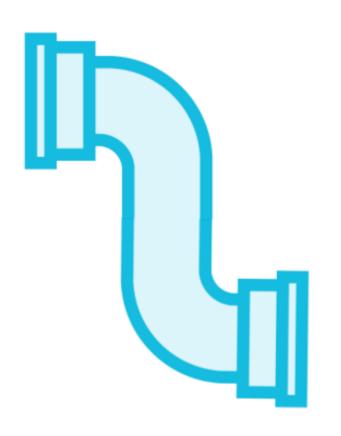
# Demo



mergeMap



# RxJS Operator: switchMap



Higher-order mapping + switching

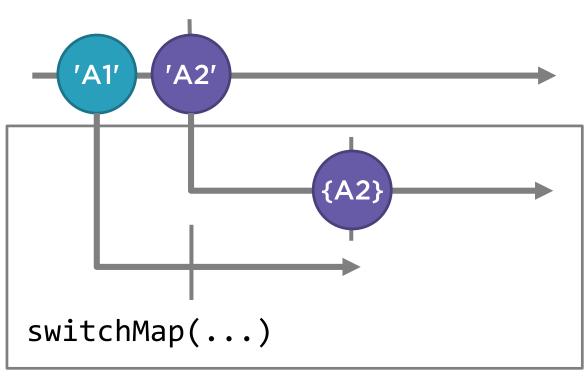
Transforms each emitted item to a new (inner) Observable as defined by a function

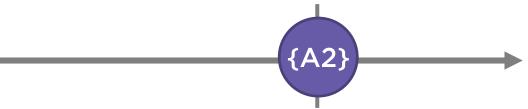
Unsubscribes the prior inner Observable and switches to the new inner Observable



# Marble Diagram: switchMap

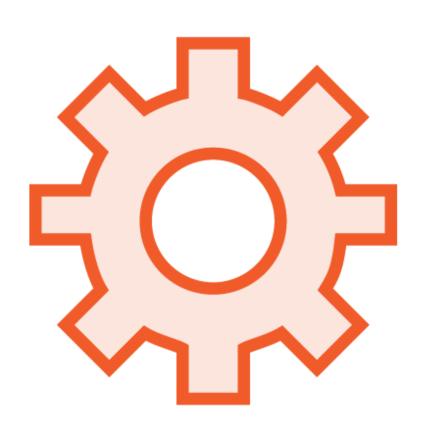
```
of('A1', 'A2')
  .pipe(
    switchMap(id =>
    this.http.get<Apple>(`${this.url}/${id}`))
  ).subscribe(console.log);
```







# RxJS Operator: switchMap



#### switchMap is a transformation operator

- Takes in an input stream, subscribes
- Creates an output stream

#### When each item is emitted

- Item is mapped to an inner Observable as specified by a provided function
- Unsubscribes from prior inner Observable
- Subscribes to new inner Observable
- Inner Observable emissions are merged to the output stream



# Use switchMap



To stop any prior Observable before switching to the next one

#### **Examples:**

- Type ahead or auto completion
- User selection from a list



# Demo



switchMap



# Higher-Order Observable

```
Source/outer
Observable

of('A1', 'A2')
.pipe(
  mergeMap(id => this.http.get<Apple>(`${this.url}/${id}`))
);
```

Higher-order mapping operator

Item emitted from outer Observable

{A1} {A2}



### Higher-Order Mapping



#### Use higher-order mapping operators

- To map emitted items to a new Observable
- Automatically subscribe to and unsubscribe from that Observable
- And emit the results to the output stream

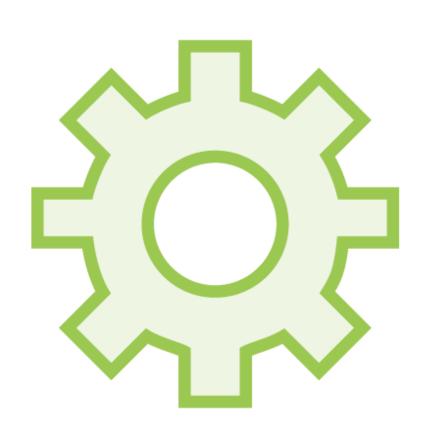
#### Higher-order mapping operator functions

- Take in an item and return an Observable

Use instead of nested subscribes



# Higher-Order Mapping Operators



#### concatMap

- Waits for inner Observable to complete before processing the next one

#### mergeMap

- Processes inner Observables in parallel

#### switchMap

- Unsubscribes from the prior inner Observable and switches to the new one

