

# **Understand Java Streams Intermediate Operations `dropWhile()` & `takeWhile()`**

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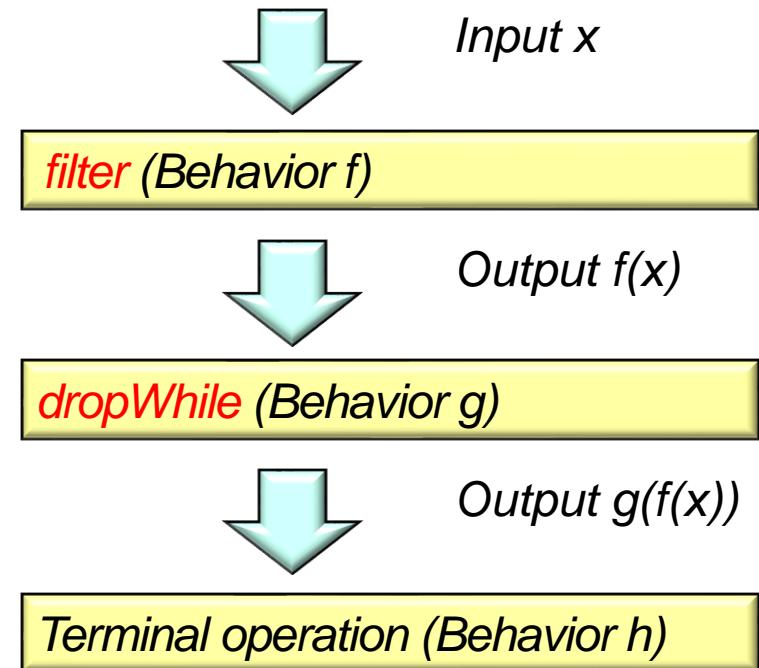
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# Learning Objectives in this Part of the Lesson

- Understand the structure & functionality of stream aggregate operations
  - Intermediate operations
    - `map()` & `mapToInt()`
    - `filter()` & `flatMap()`
    - `dropWhile()` & `takeWhile()`



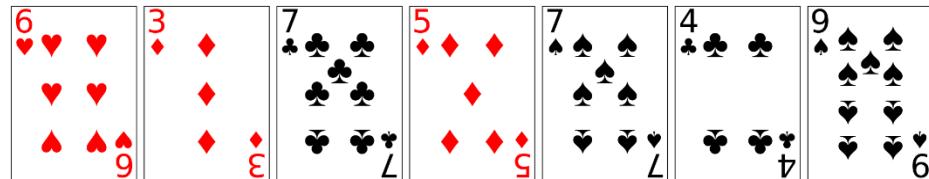
These are both stateful, short-circuiting operations introduced in Java 9

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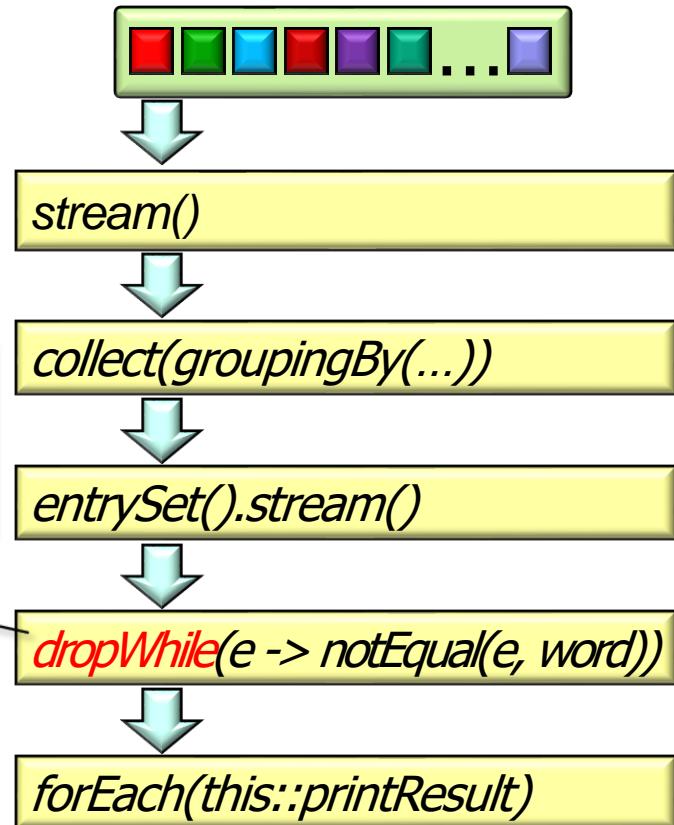
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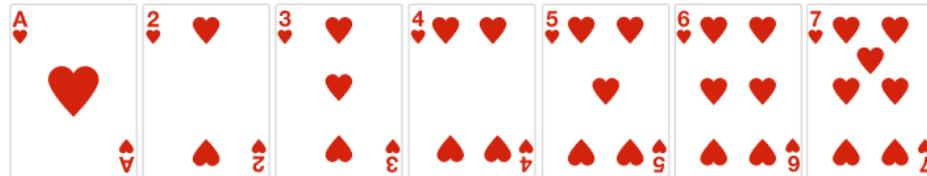


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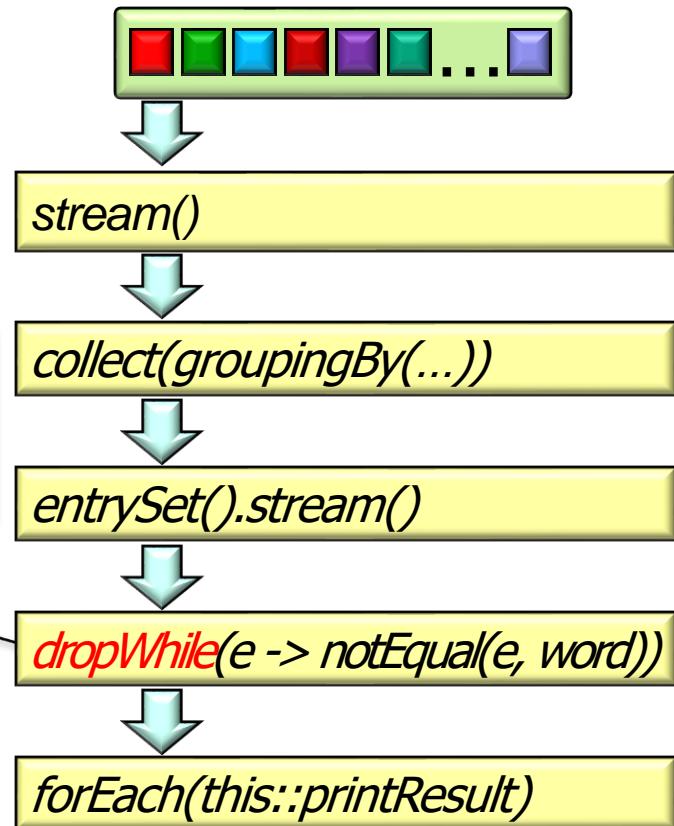


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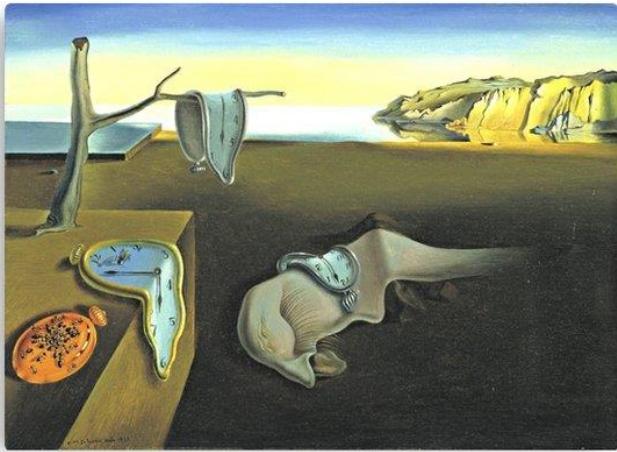


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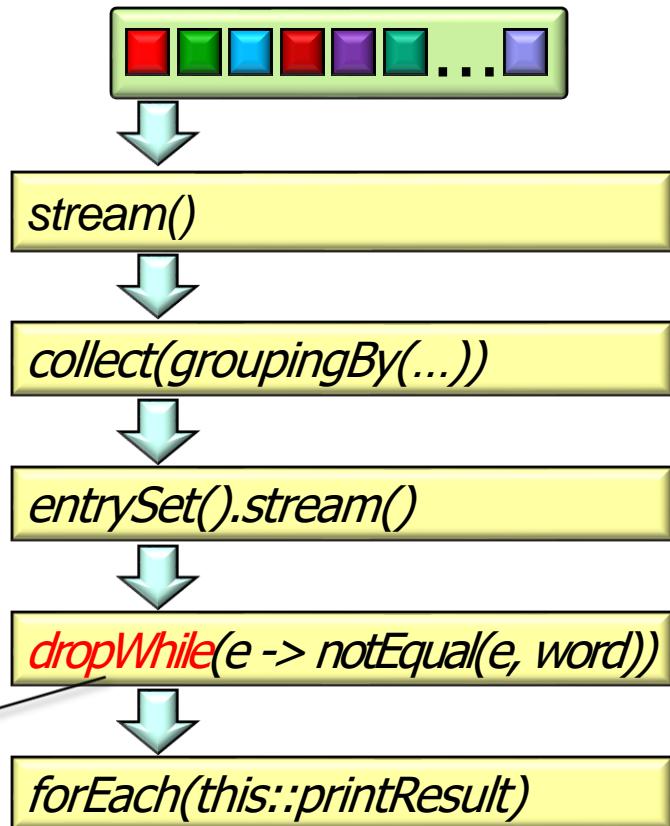


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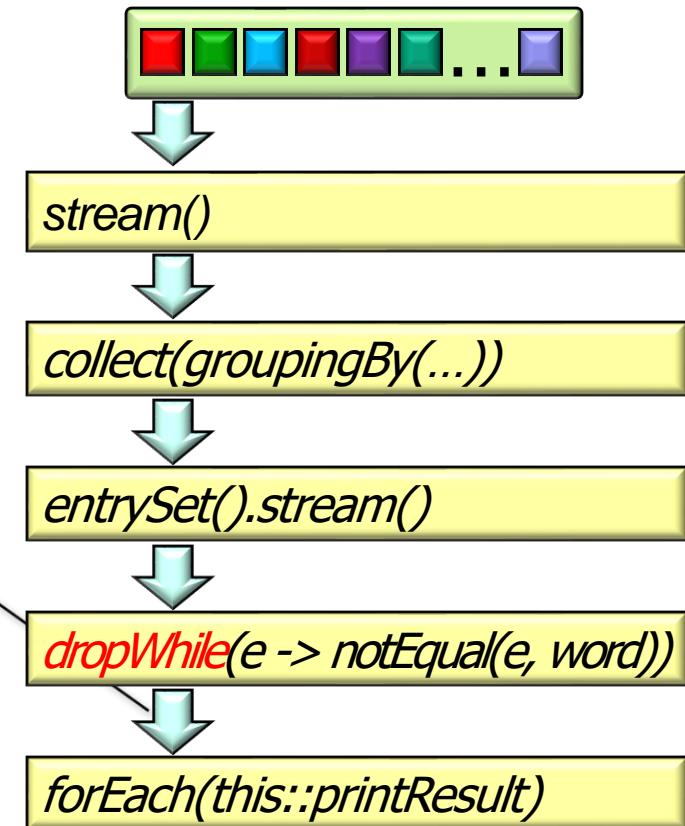
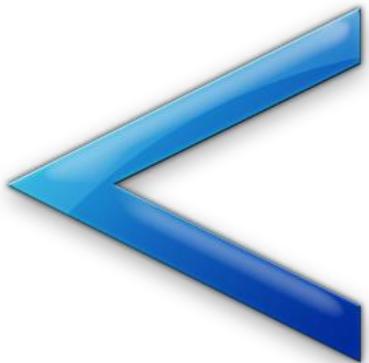


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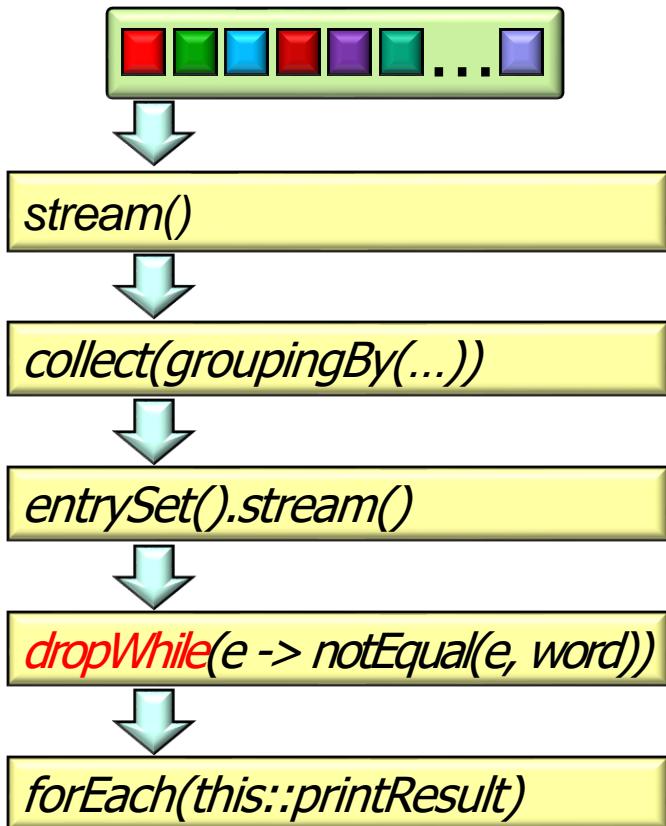
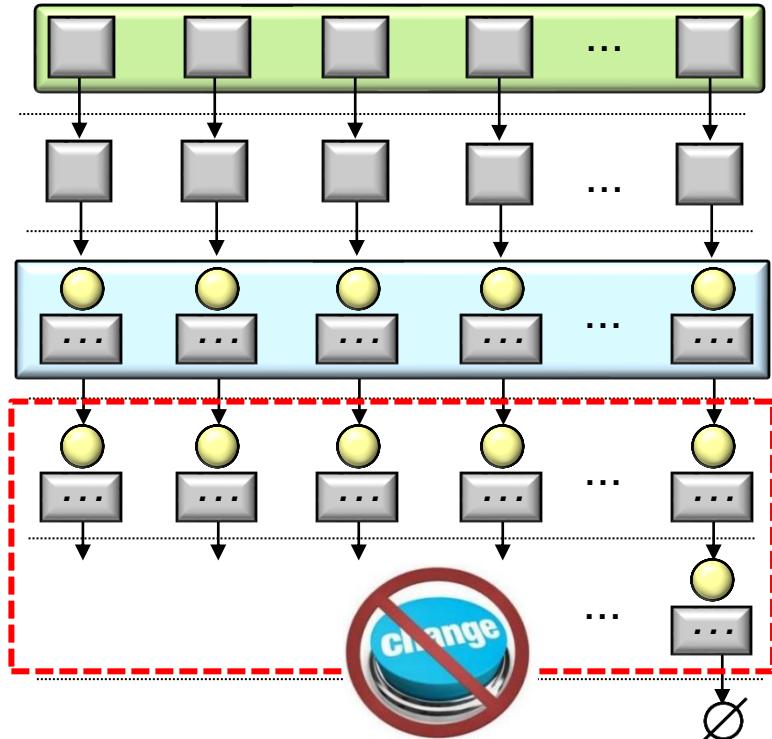
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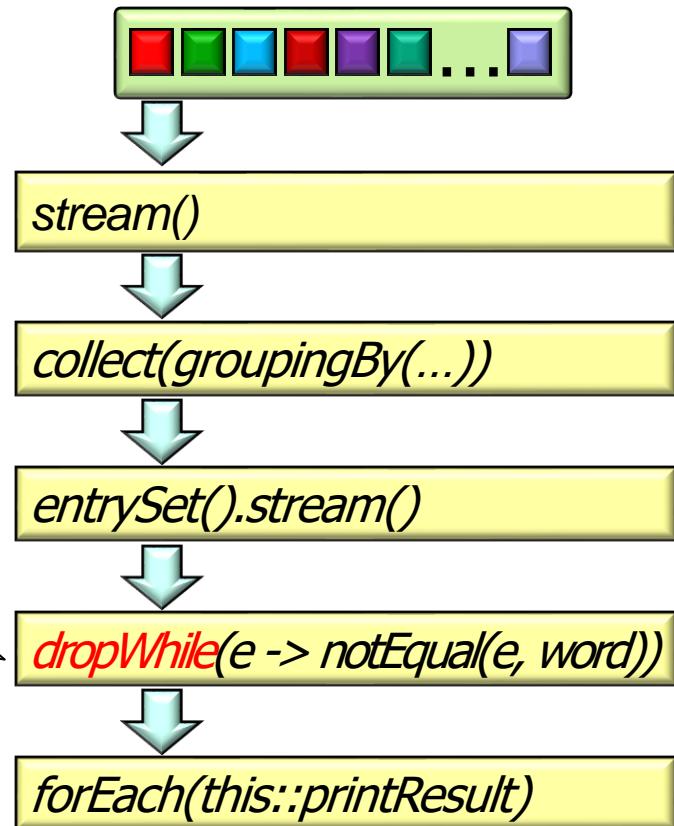
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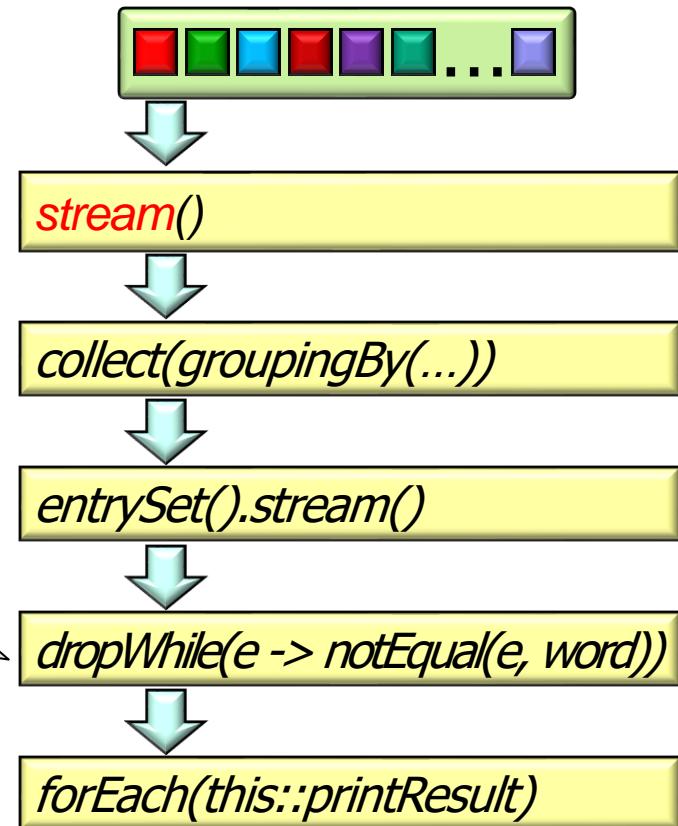


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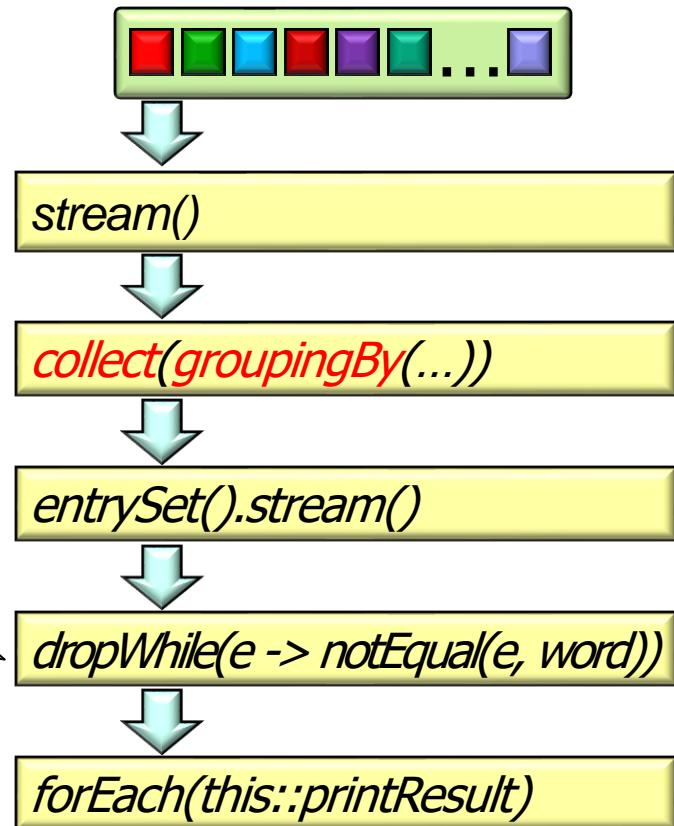
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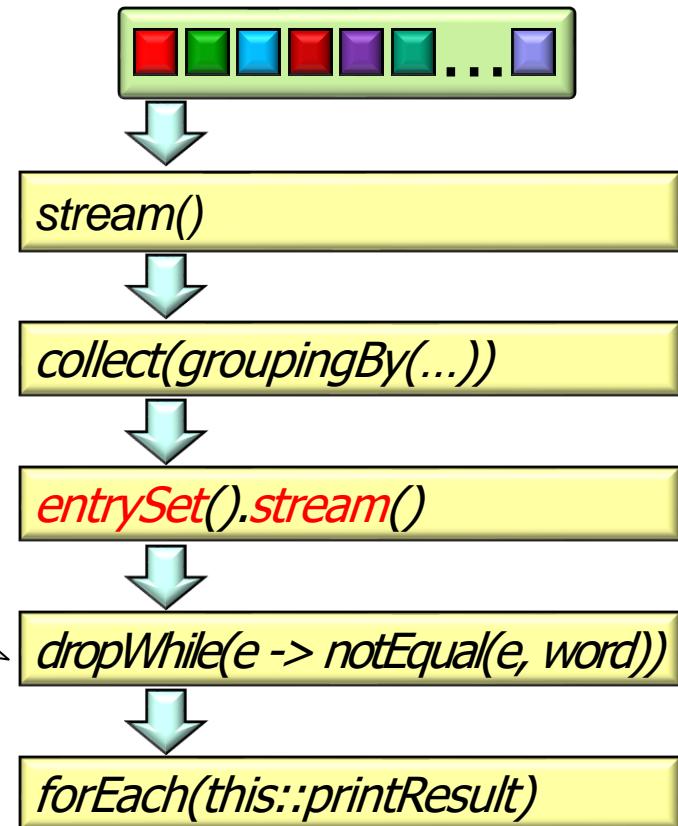
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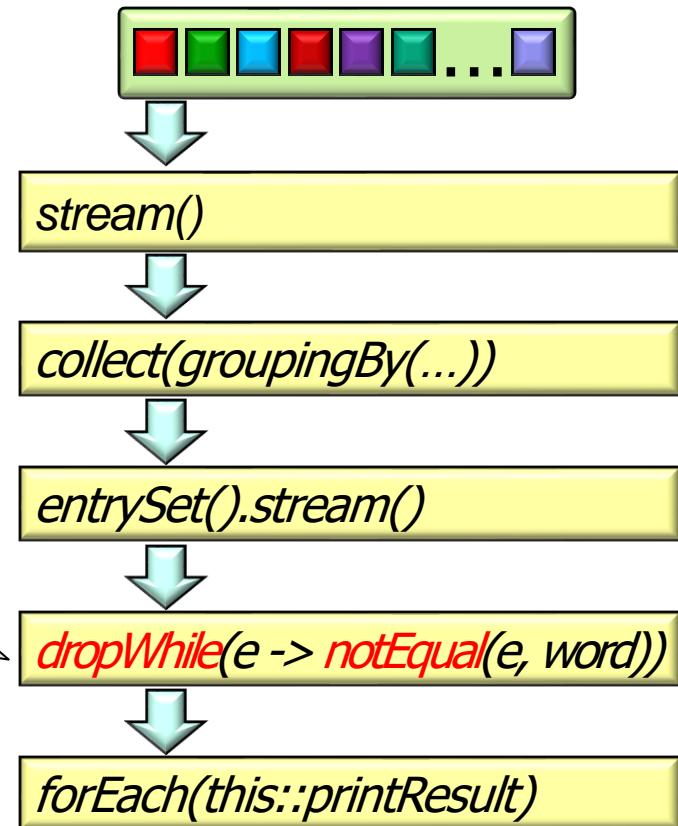
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*Ignore entries until there's a match*



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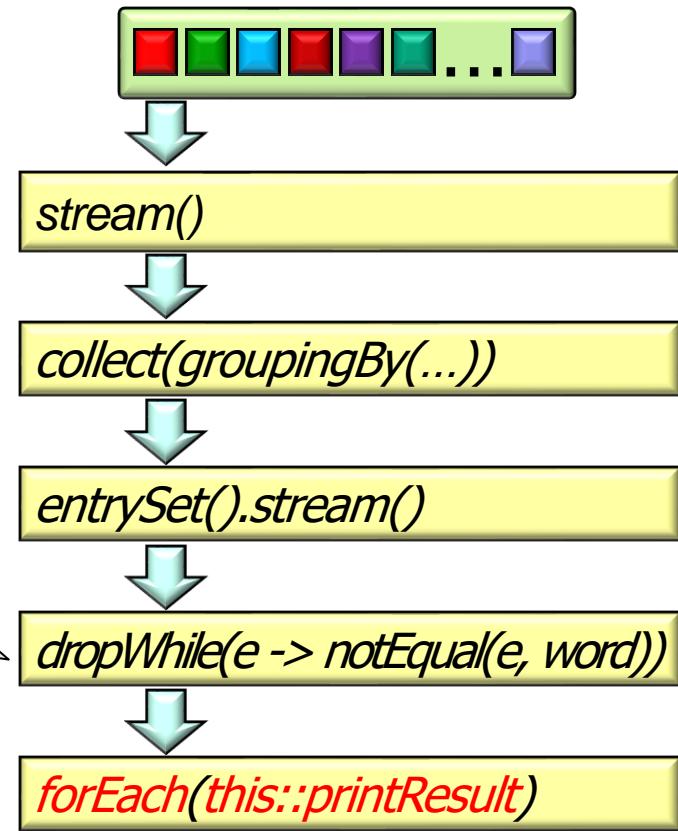
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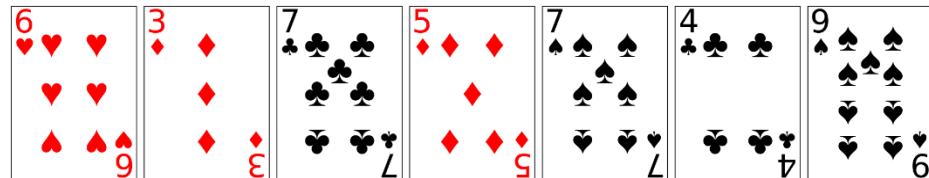


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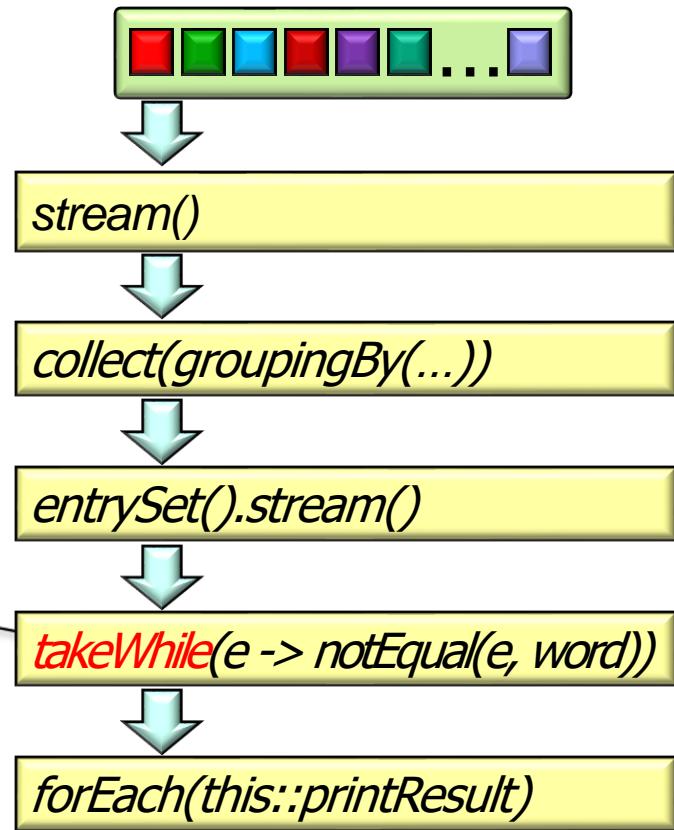
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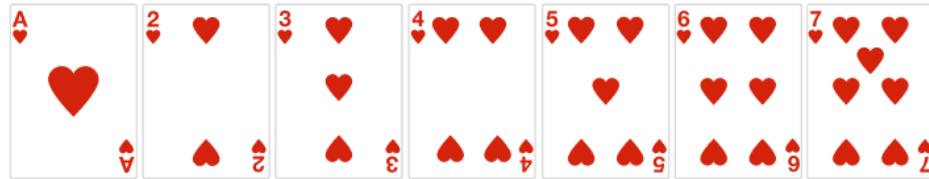


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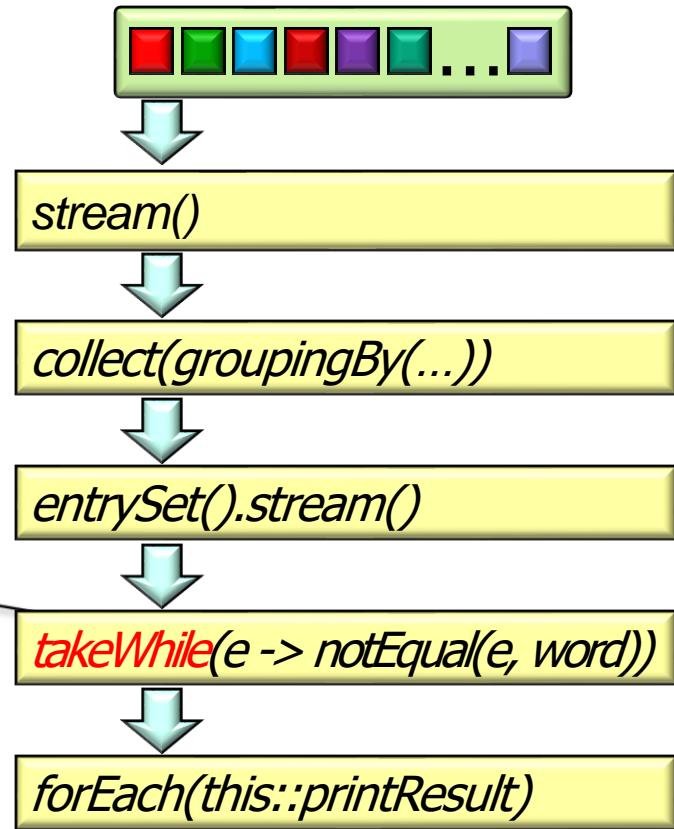


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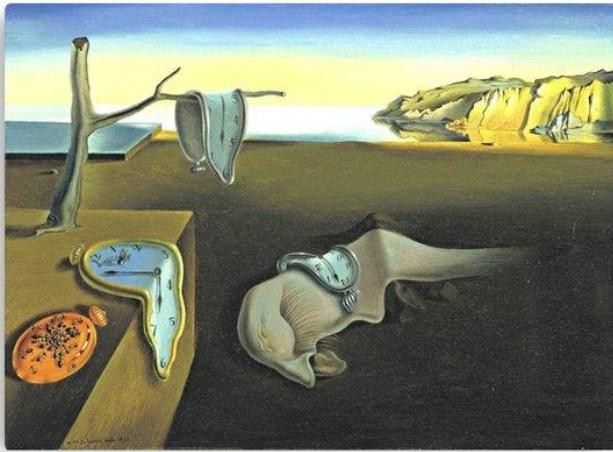


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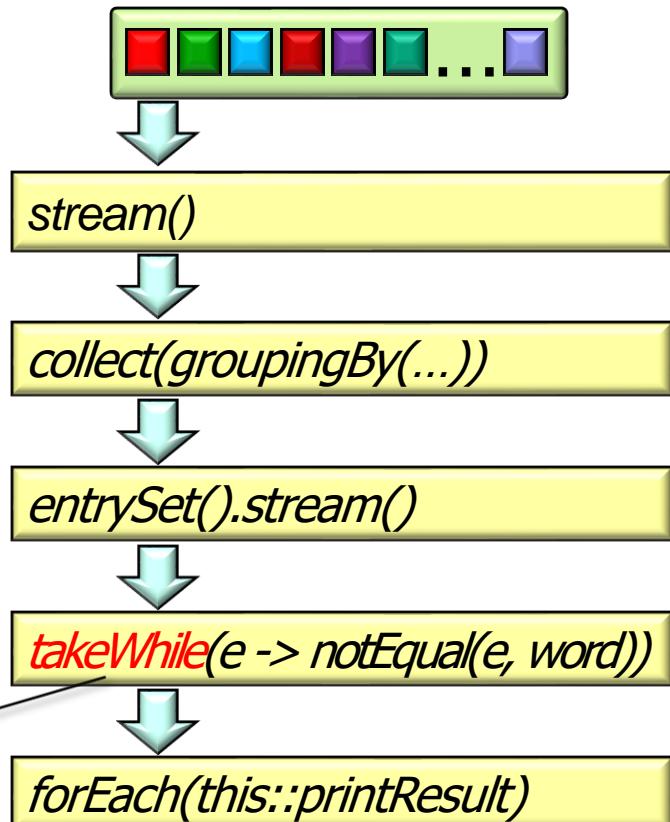


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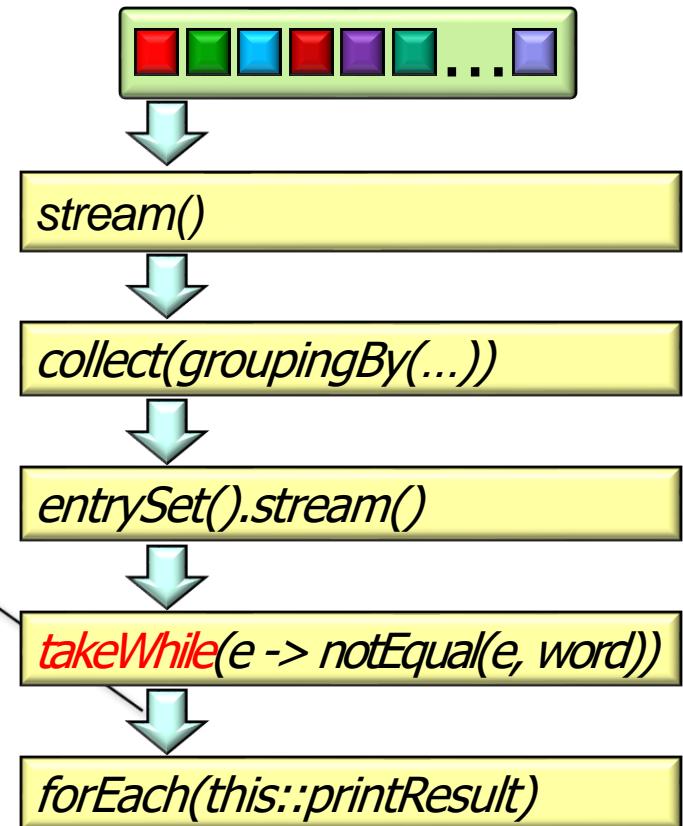
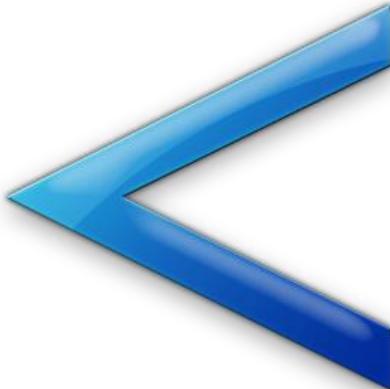


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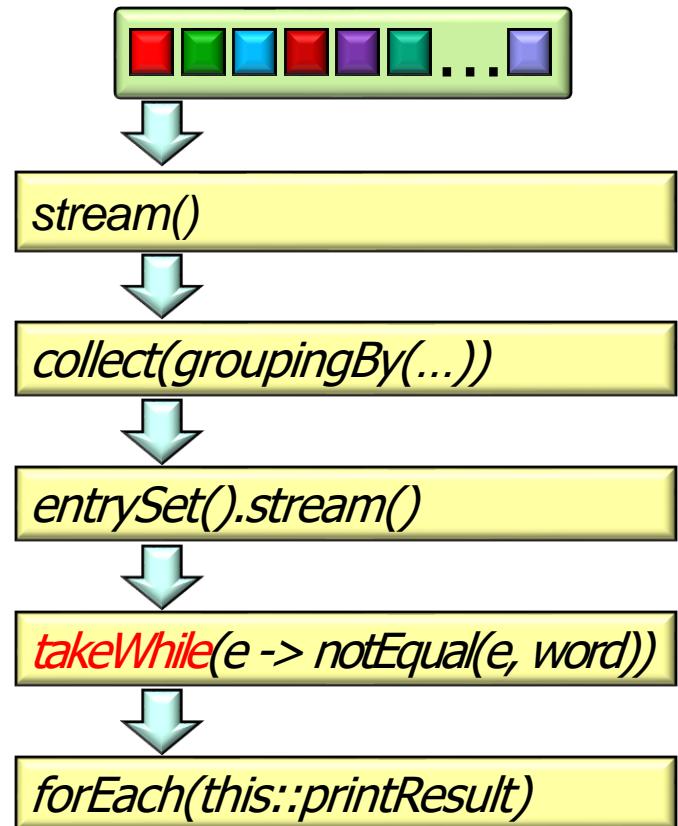
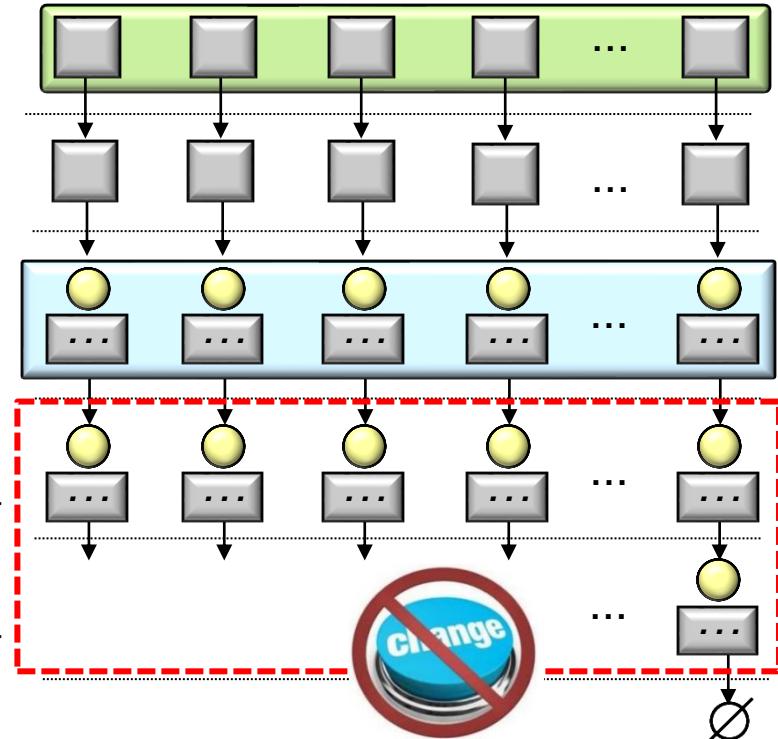
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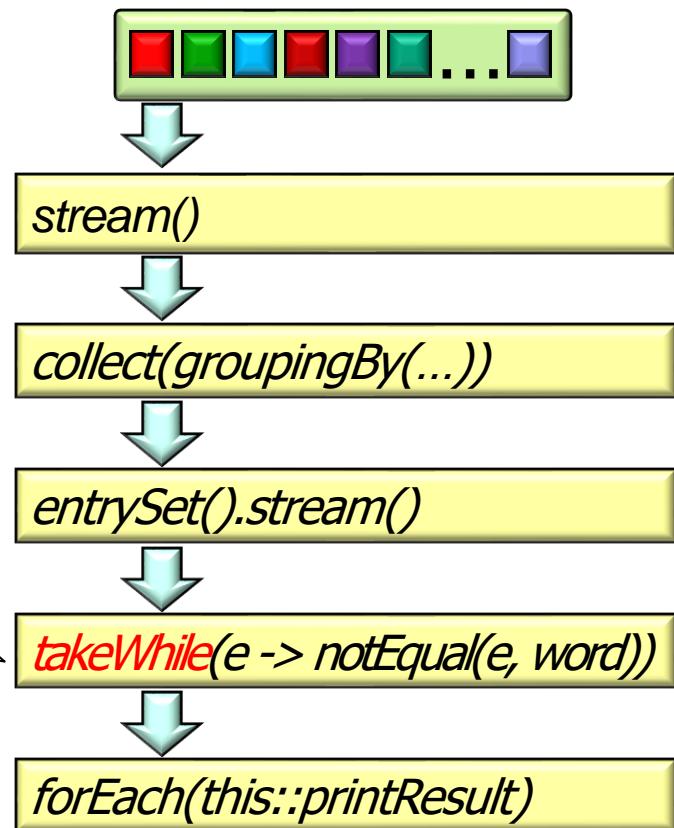
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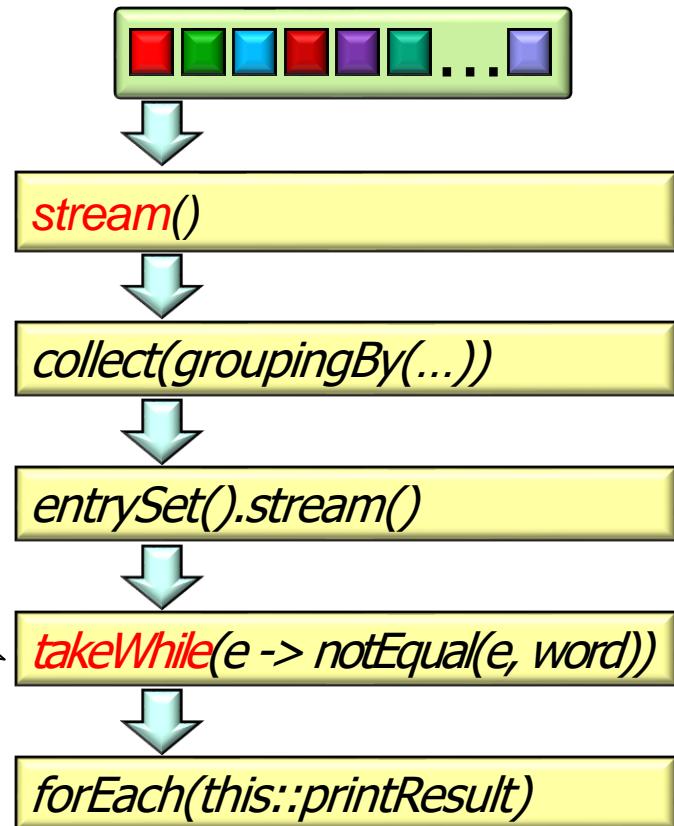


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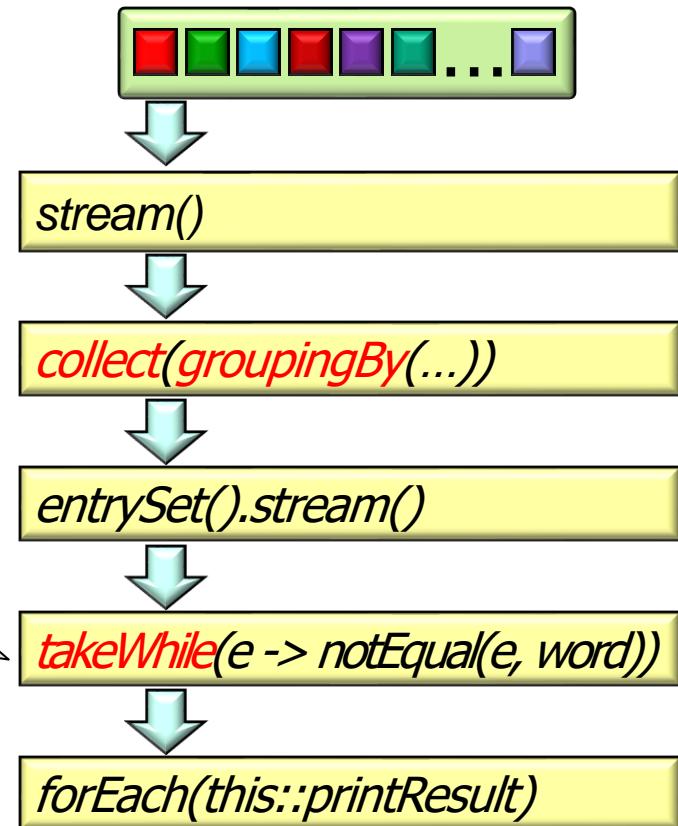
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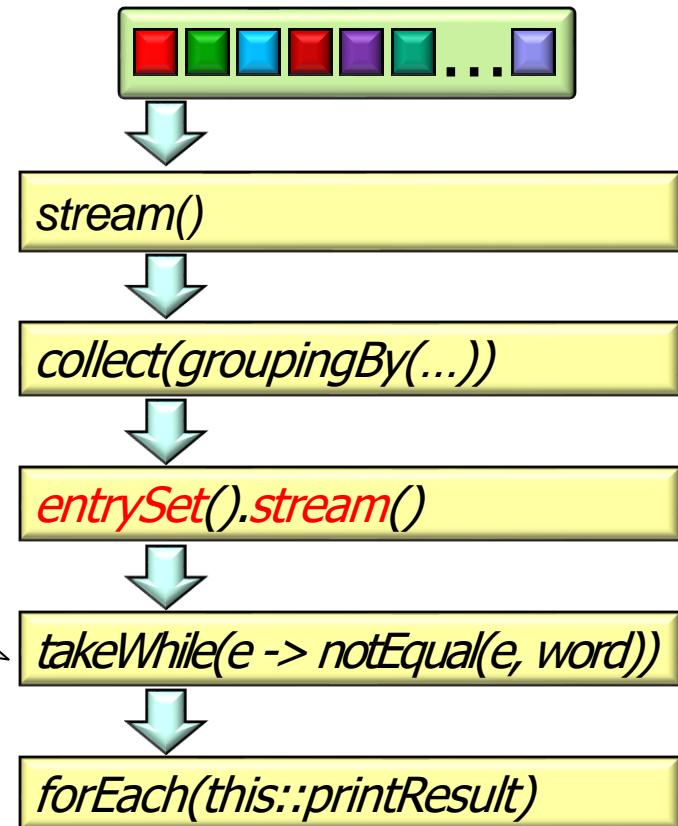
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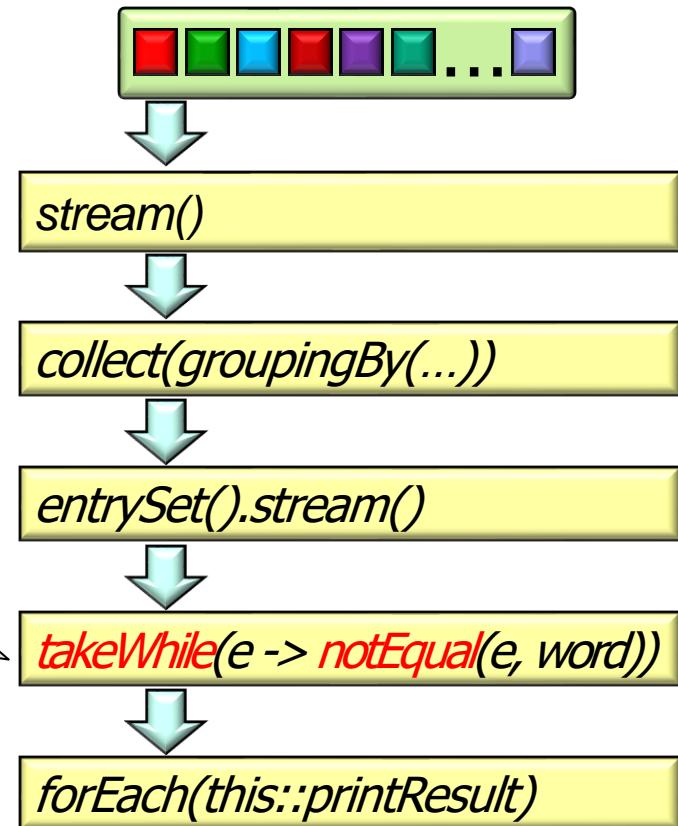
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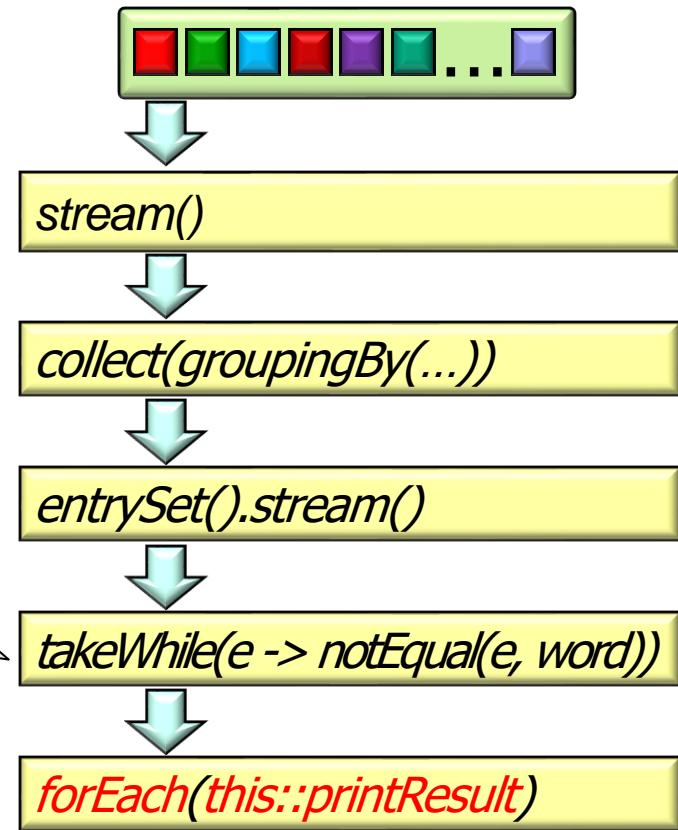


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