

Understand Java Parallel Streams Internals: Splitting, Combining, & Pooling

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Learning Objectives in this Part of the Lesson

- Understand parallel stream internals, e.g.
 - Know what can change & what can't
 - Splitting, combining, & pooling mechanisms

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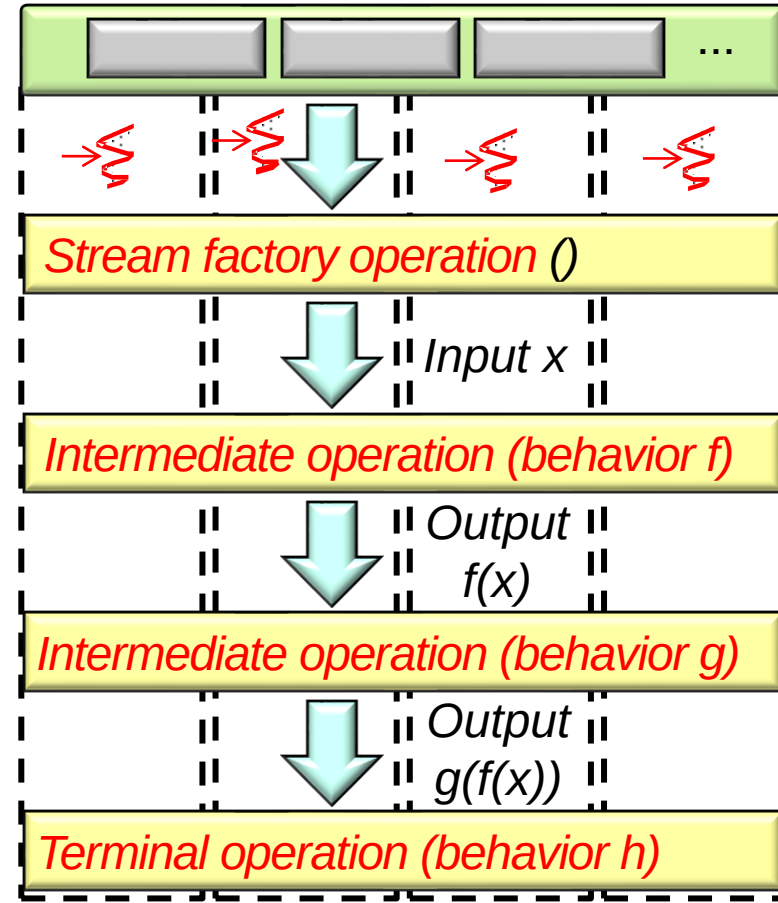
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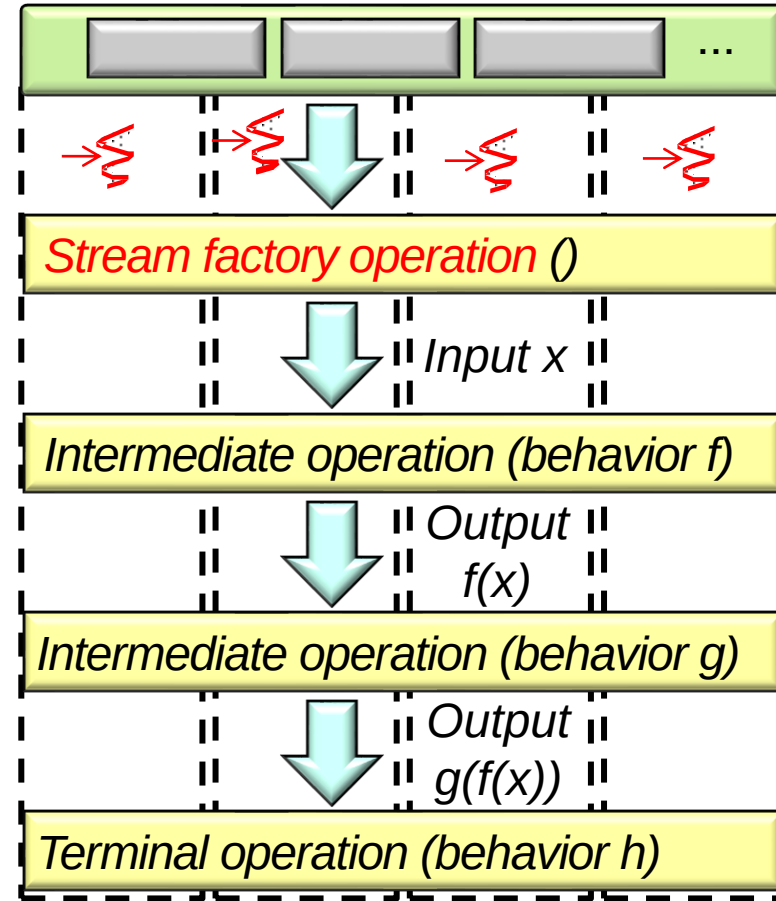
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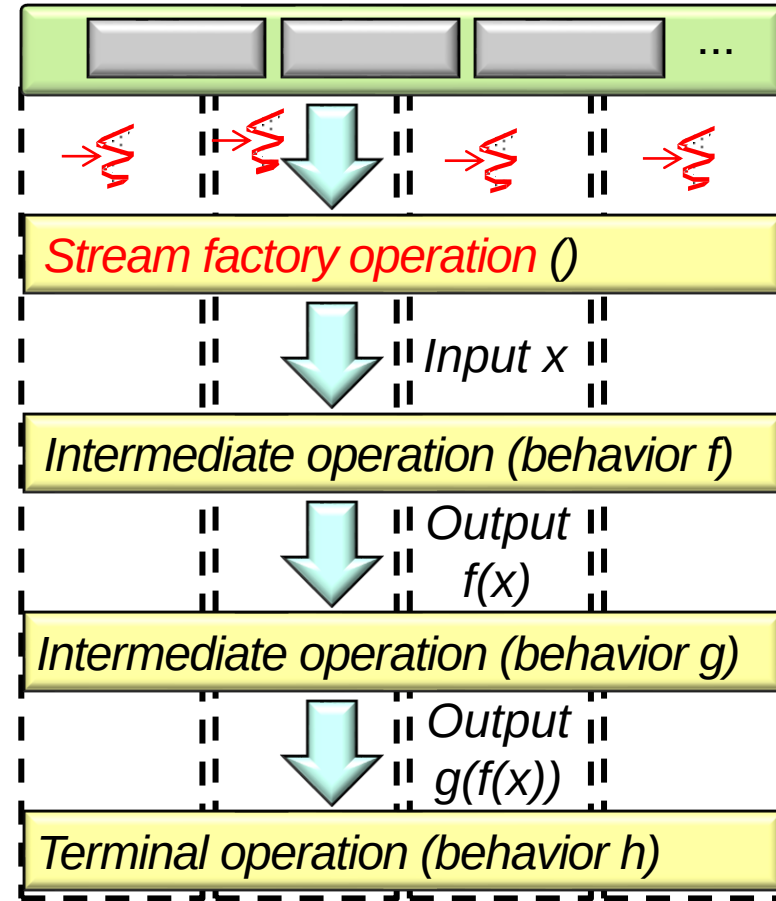


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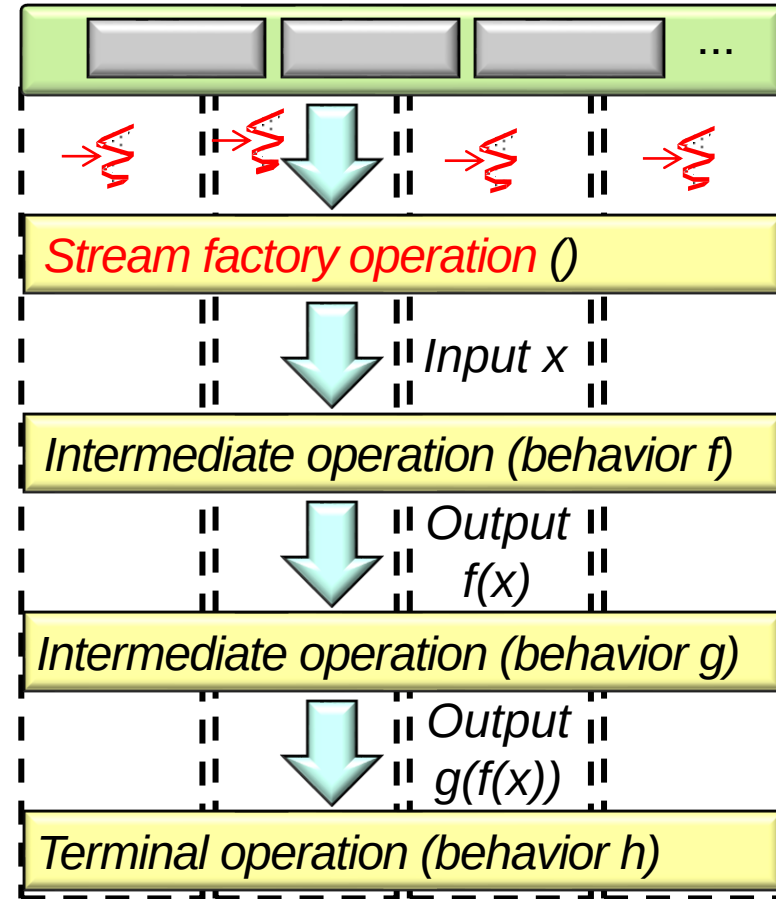


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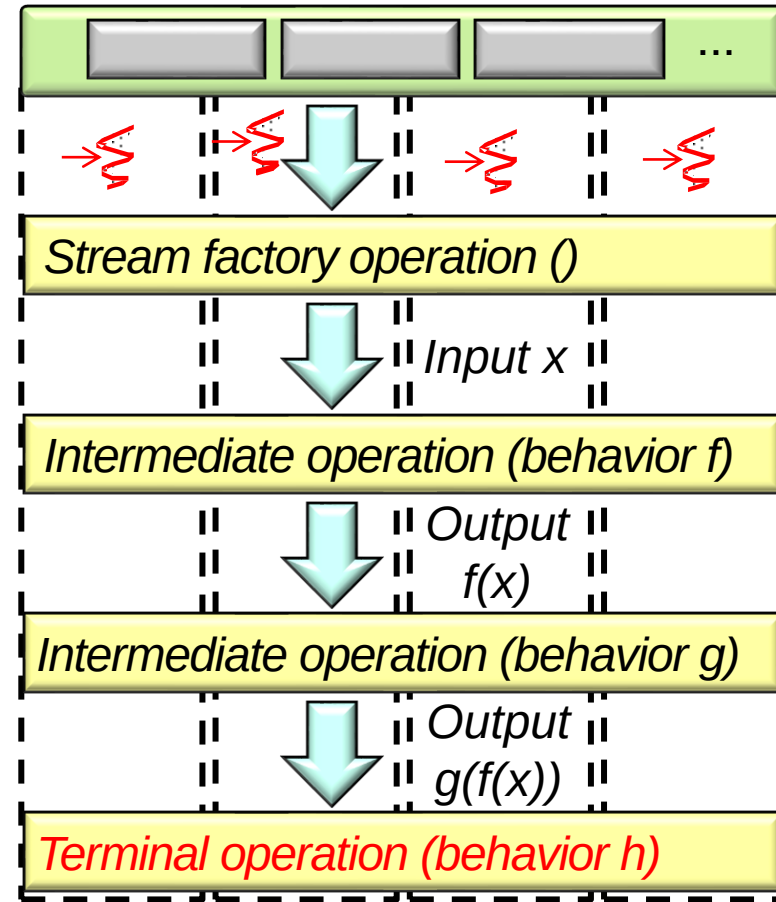


See blog.logentries.com/2015/10/java-8-introduction-to-parallelism-and-spliterator

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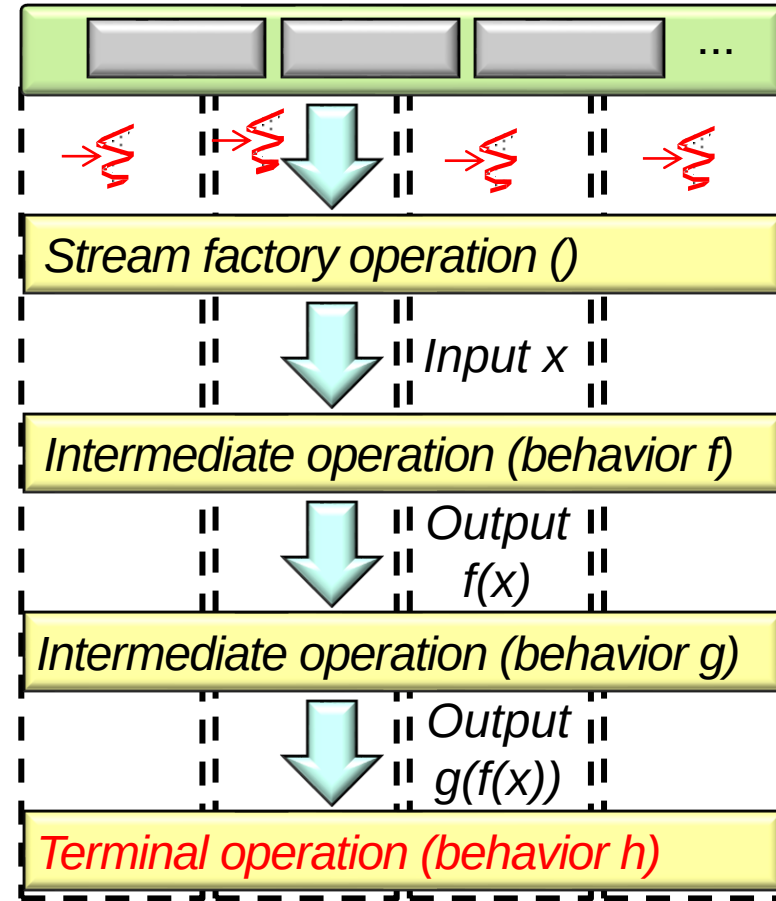


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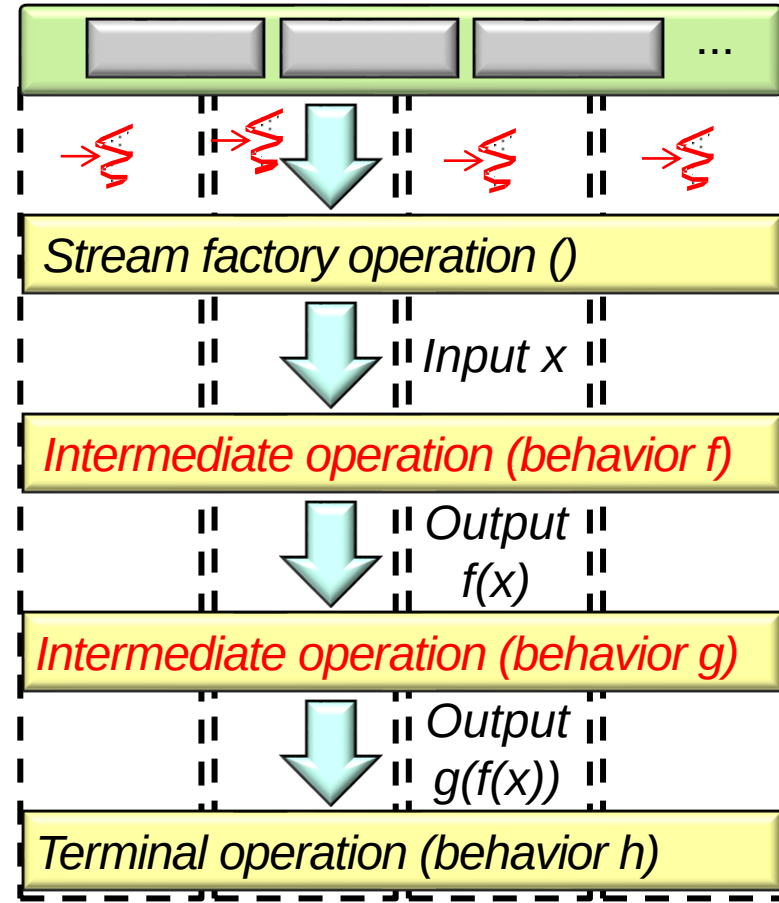
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These non-concurrent collectors can work seamlessly with parallel streams

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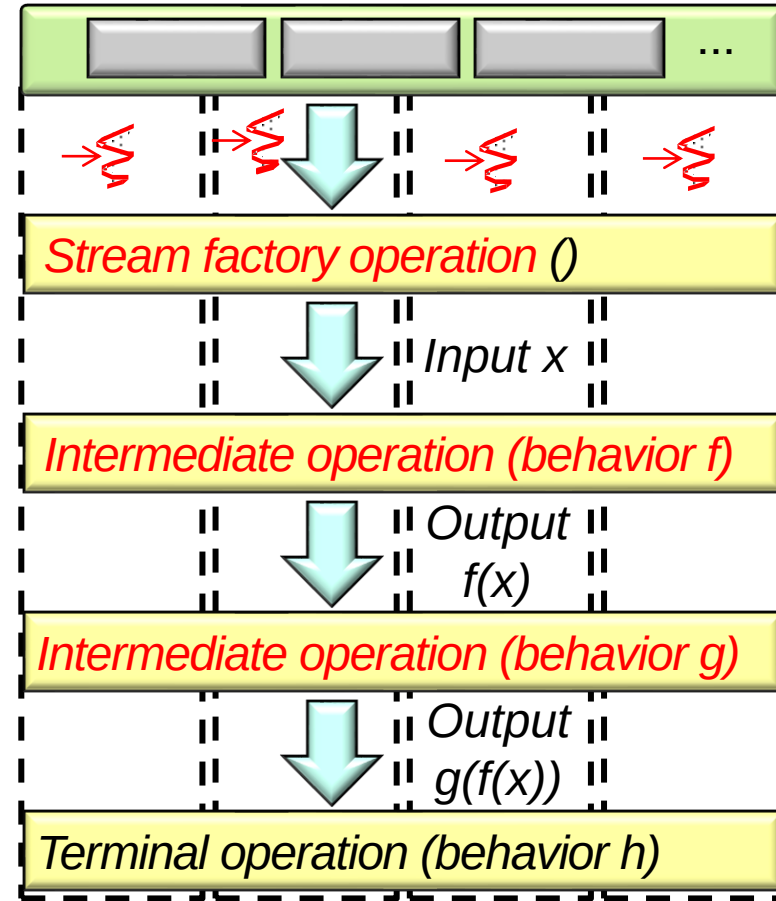
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- The common fork-join pool is used to run intermediate operations on chunks of data



See www.baeldung.com/java-fork-join

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See upcoming lessons on "Java Parallel Stream Internals"

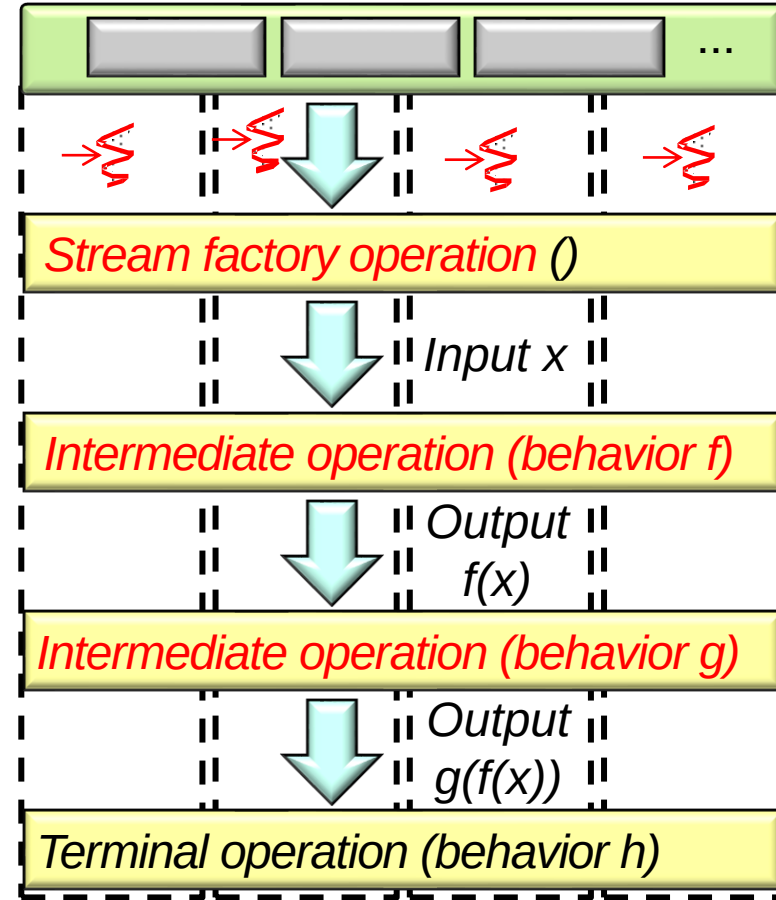
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    void forEachRemaining  
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An interface used to traverse & partition elements of a source.



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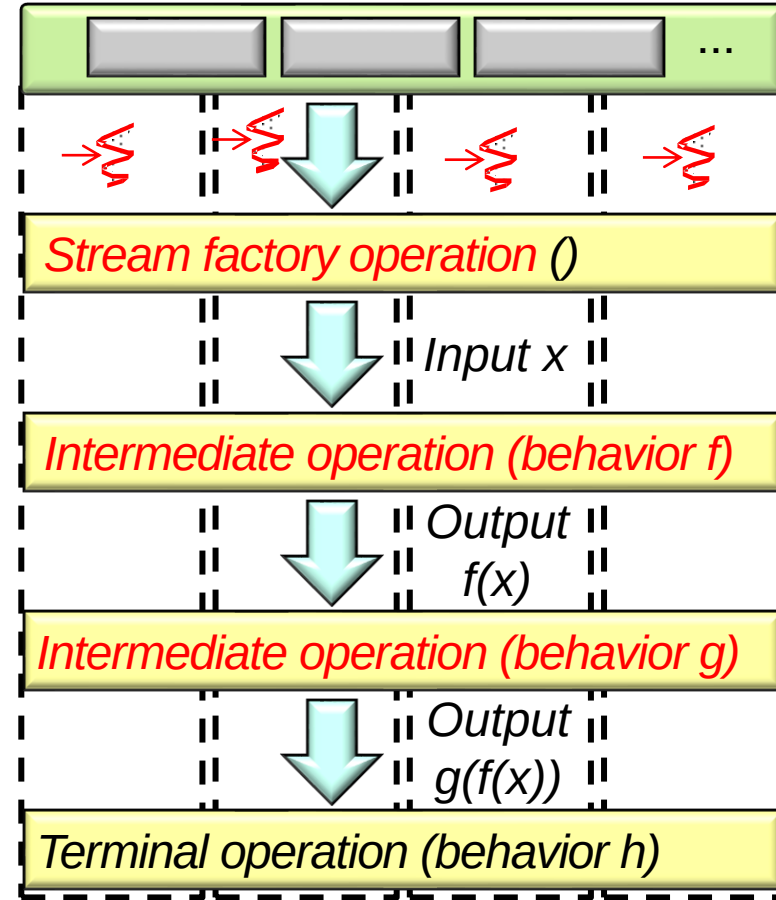
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The streams framework uses this method to process elements in sequential and parallel streams.



See earlier lesson on "Java Streams: Applying Spliterators"

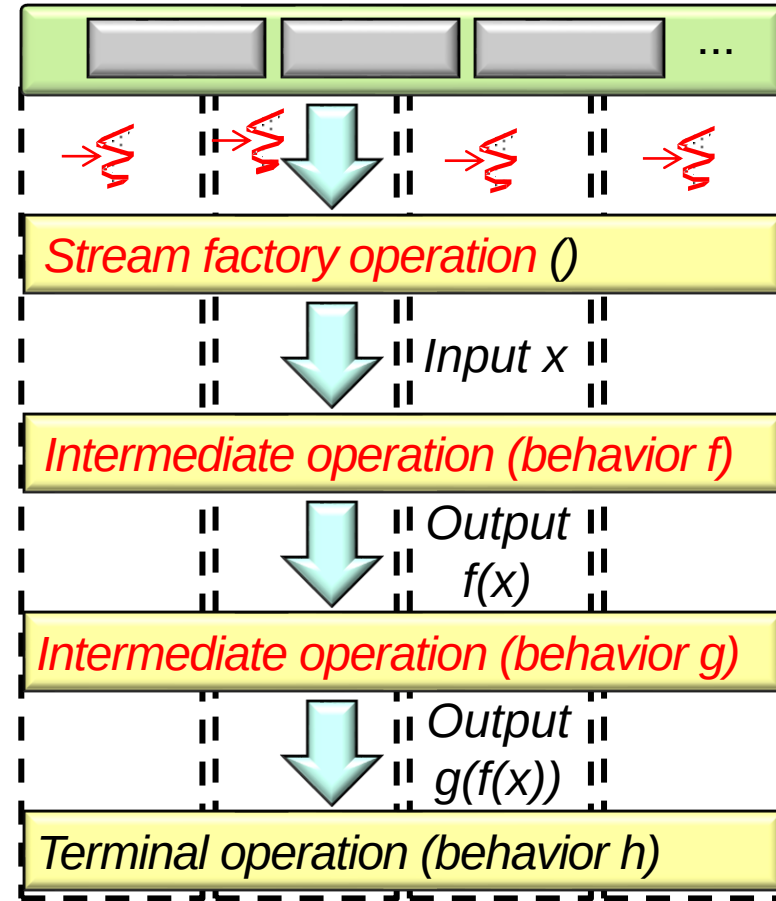
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The streams framework uses this method to partition elements in a parallel stream.



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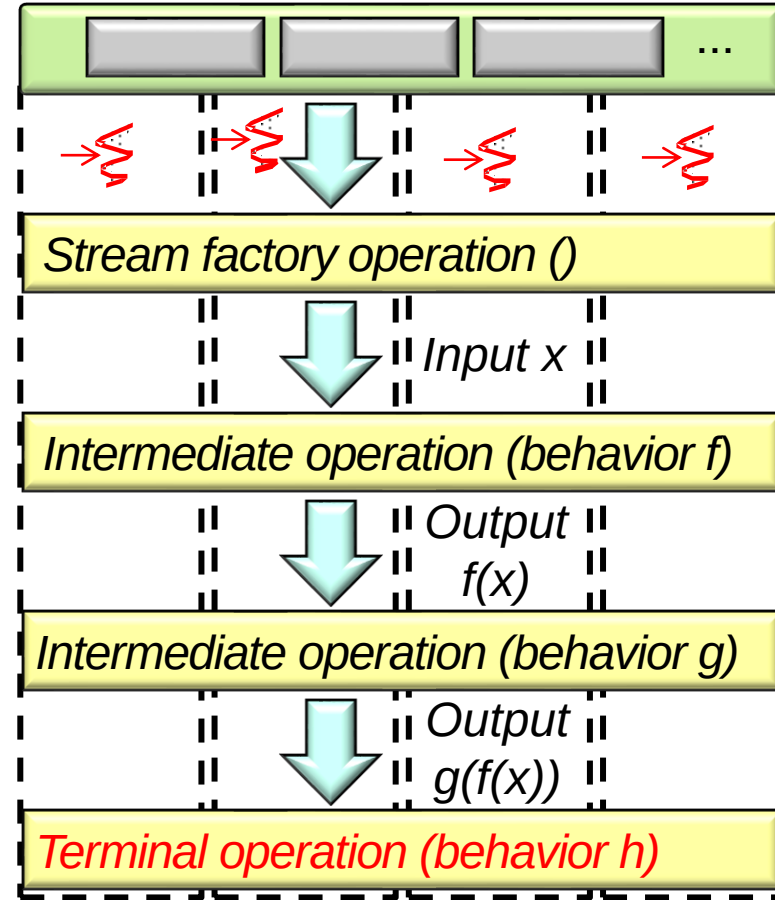
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interface Collector<T,A,R> {  
    Supplier<A> supplier();  
    BiConsumer<A, T> accumulator();  
    BinaryOperator<A> combiner();  
    Function<A, R> finisher();  
    Set<Collector.Characteristics>  
        characteristics()  
    ...  
}
```

A framework that accumulates input elements into a concurrent and/or non-concurrent mutable result containers.



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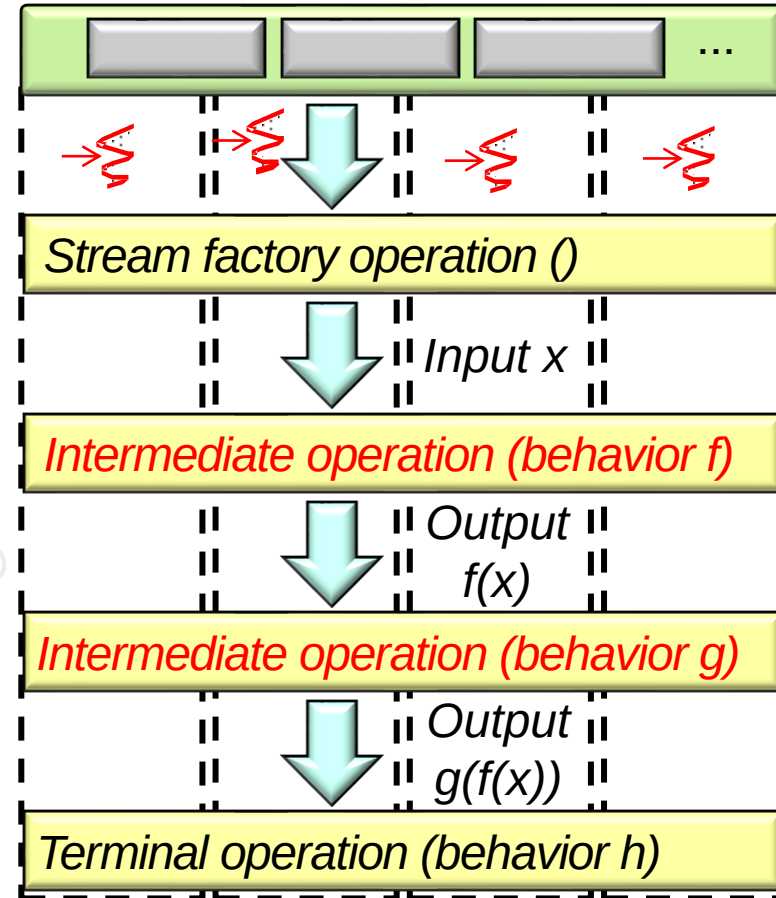
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This interface provides managed parallelism for tasks running in the common fork-join pool.



End of Understand Java Parallel Stream Internals: Splitting, Combining, & Pooling