Key Concurrency & Scheduler Operators in the Flux Class (Part 2)

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Learning Objectives in this Part of the Lesson

- Recognize key Flux operators
  - Factory method operators
  - Transforming operators
  - Concurrency & scheduler operators
    - These operators arrange to run other operators in designated threads & thread pools
      - e.g., Schedulers.parallel()

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See projectreactor.io/docs/core/release/api/reactor/core/scheduler/Schedulers.html#parallel

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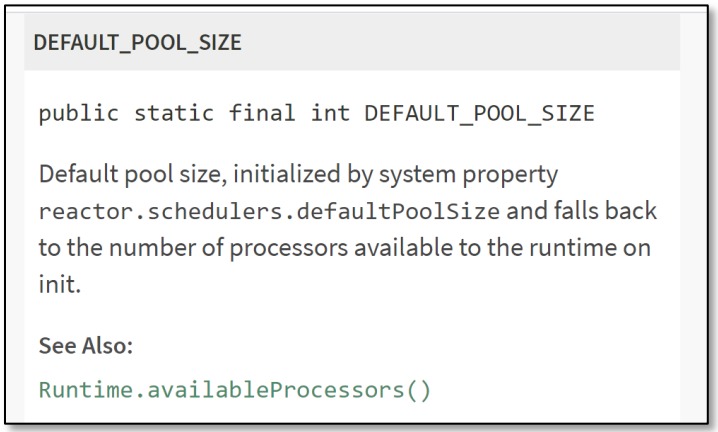

DEFAULT_POOL_SIZE

```
public static final int DEFAULT_POOL_SIZE
```

Default pool size, initialized by system property `reactor.schedulers.defaultPoolSize` and falls back to the number of processors available to the runtime on init.

See Also:

`Runtime.availableProcessors()`

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availableProcessors

```
public int availableProcessors()
```

Returns the number of processors available to the Java virtual machine.

This value may change during a particular invocation of the virtual machine. Applications that are sensitive to the number of available processors should therefore occasionally poll this property and adjust their resource usage appropriately.

Returns:

the maximum number of processors available to the virtual machine; never smaller than one

Since:

1.4

See docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/lang/Runtime.html

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Class Schedulers

java.lang.Object
    reactor.core.scheduler.Schedulers

```
public abstract class Schedulers
extends Object
```

Schedulers provides various Scheduler flavors usable by publishOn or subscribeOn:

- parallel(): Optimized for fast Runnable non-blocking executions
- single(): Optimized for low-latency Runnable one-off executions
- elastic(): Optimized for longer executions, an alternative for blocking tasks where the number of active tasks (and threads) can grow indefinitely
- boundedElastic(): Optimized for longer executions, an alternative for blocking tasks where the number of active tasks (and threads) is capped
- immediate(): to immediately run submitted Runnable instead of scheduling them (somewhat of a no-op or "null object" Scheduler)
- fromExecutorService(ExecutorService) to create new instances around Executors

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```
Flux
   .fromIterable(bigFractions)
   .flatMap
      (bf -> Flux
       .just(bf)
       .subscribeOn
          (Schedulers.parallel())
       .map(multiplyBigFracs))
   ...
```

Use the "flatMap() concurrency idiom" to multiply the big integers in a back ground thread in the parallel thread pool

See Reactive/flux/ex3/src/main/java/FluxEx.java

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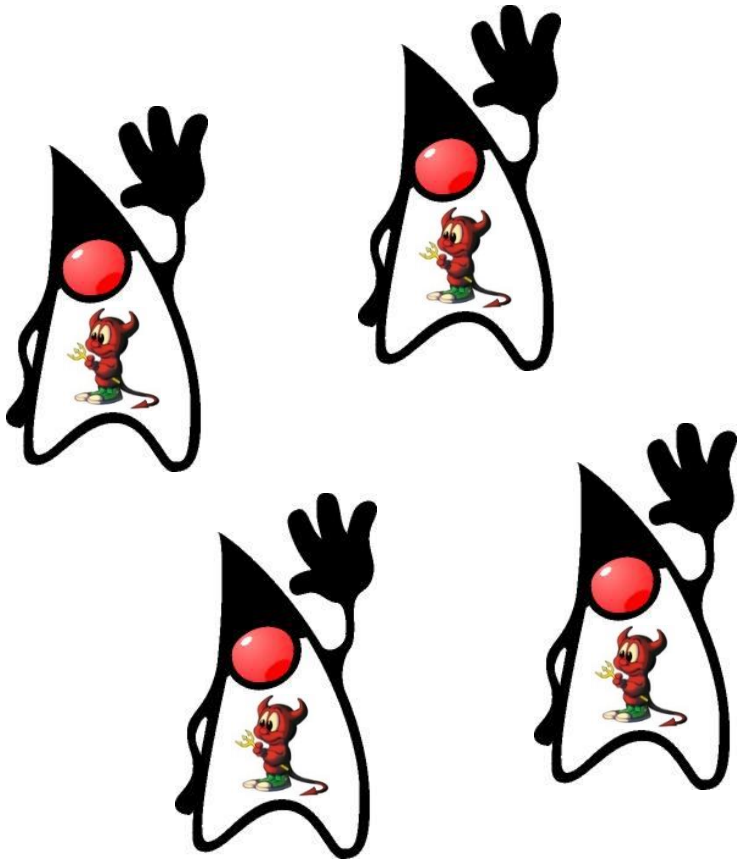
    - i.e., won't prevent the app from exiting even if its work isn't done



See www.baeldung.com/java-daemon-thread

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- RxJava's Schedulers.computation() works in a similar way
  - i.e., it's fixed-size & intended for compute-intensive & non-blocking tasks

computation

```
@NonNull
public static @NonNull Scheduler computation()
```

Returns a default, shared `Scheduler` instance intended for computational work.

This can be used for event-loops, processing callbacks and other computational work.

It is not recommended to perform blocking, IO-bound work on this scheduler. Use `io()` instead.

The default instance has a backing pool of single-threaded `ScheduledExecutorService` instances equal to the number of available processors (`Runtime.availableProcessors()`) to the Java VM.

Unhandled errors will be delivered to the scheduler Thread's `Thread.UncaughtExceptionHandler`.

This type of scheduler is less sensitive to leaking `Scheduler.Worker` instances, although not disposing a worker that has timed/delayed tasks not cancelled by other means may leak resources and/or execute those tasks "unexpectedly".

If the `RxJavaPlugins.setFailOnNonBlockingScheduler(boolean)` is set to true, attempting to execute operators that block while running on this scheduler will throw an `IllegalStateException`.

See reactivex.io/RxJava/3.x/javadoc/io/reactivex/rxjava3/schedulers/Schedulers.html#computation

End of Key Concurrency & Scheduler Operators in the Flux Class (Part 2)