

# **Key Terminal Operators in the Observable Class (Part 1)**

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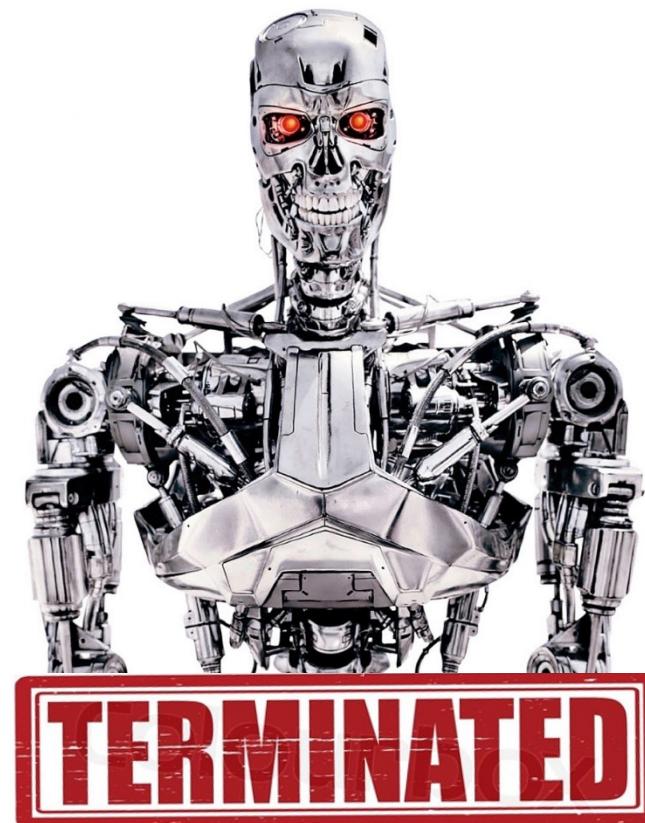
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# Learning Objectives in this Part of the Lesson

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- Recognize key Observable operators
  - Factory method operators
  - Transforming operators
  - Action operators
  - Combining operators
  - Terminal operators
    - Terminate an Observable stream & trigger all the processing of operators in the stream
    - e.g., blockingSubscribe()



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## Interface Consumer<T>

### Type Parameters:

T - the type of the input to the operation

### All Known Subinterfaces:

Stream.Builder<T>

### Functional Interface:

This is a functional interface and can therefore be used as the assignment target for a lambda expression or method reference.

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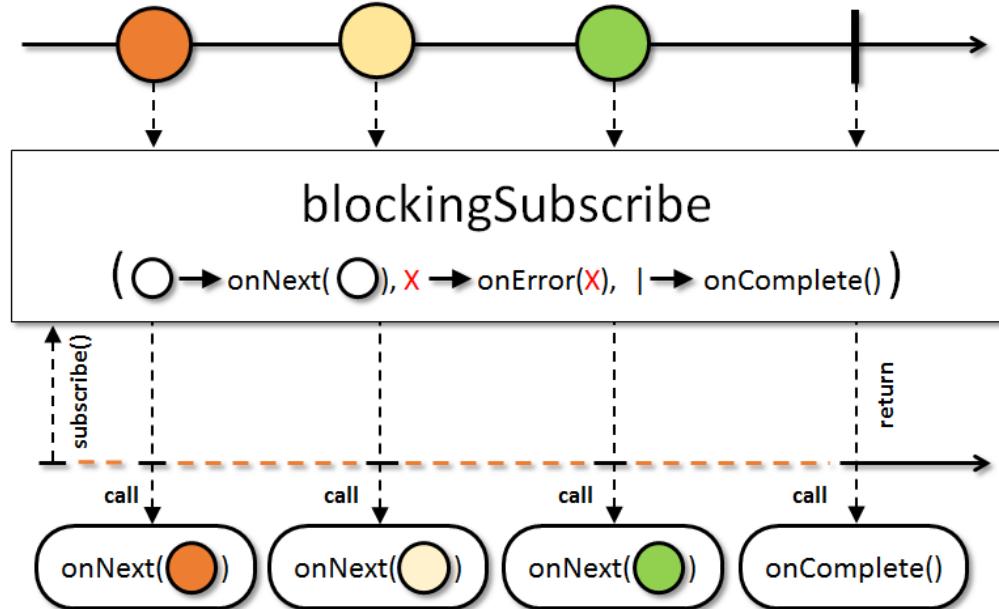
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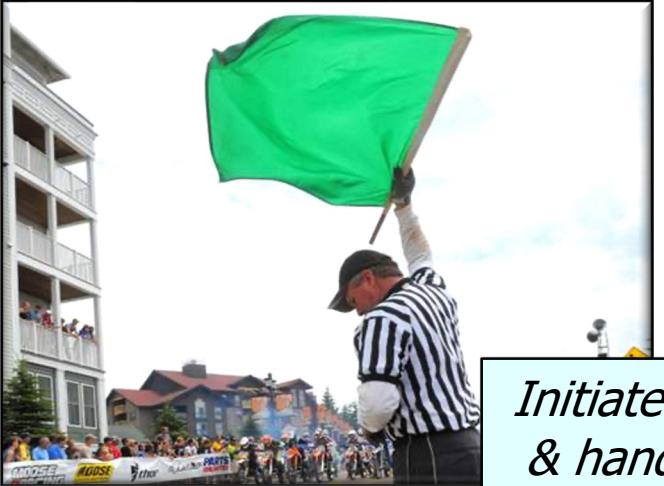


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`onNext() * (onComplete() | onError()) ?`



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- Initiate processing & handle outputs*
- ```
Observable<BigFraction>
    .just(BigFraction.valueOf(100,3),
          BigFraction.valueOf(100,4),
          BigFraction.valueOf(100,2),
          BigFraction.valueOf(100,1))

    .map(fraction -> fraction
         .multiply(sBigReducedFrac))

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            + "\n"),  
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See <Reactive/Observable/ex1/src/main/java/ObservableEx.java>

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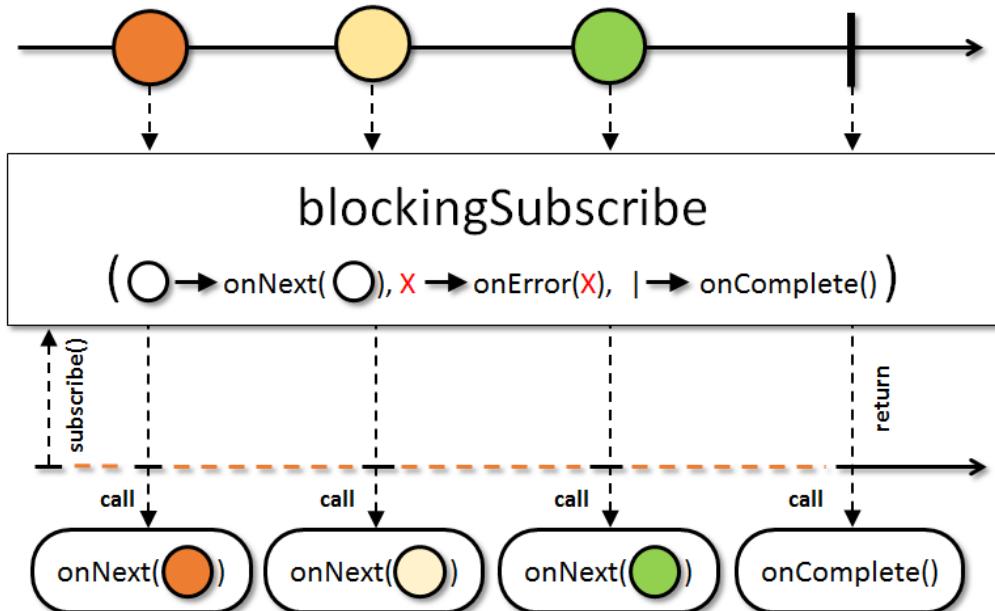
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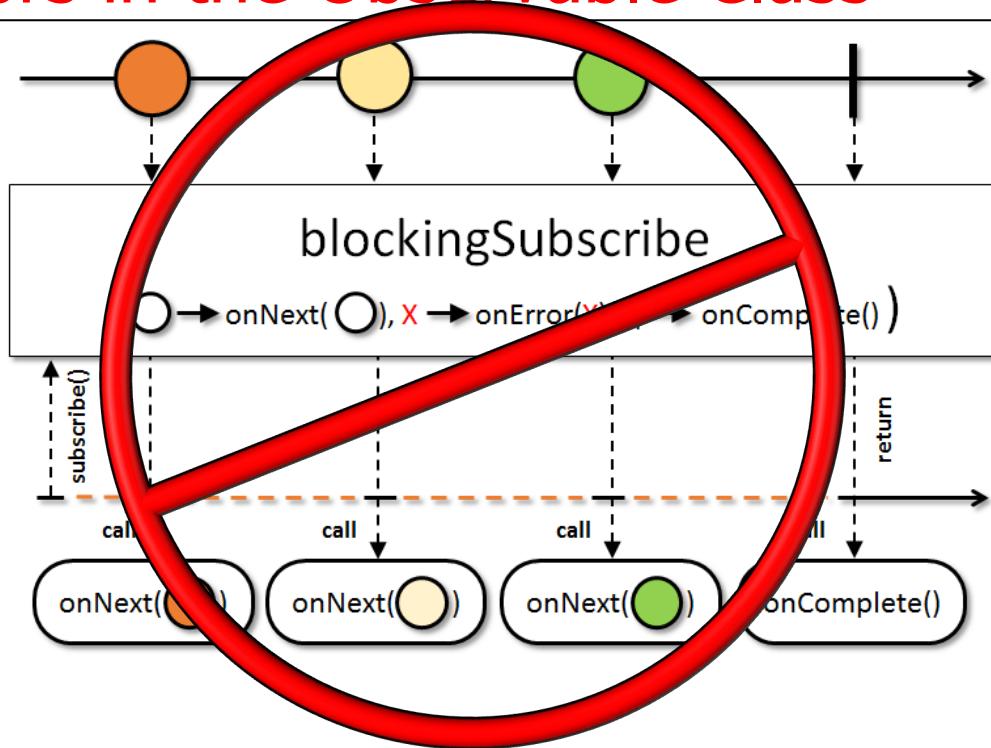
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    - Until the upstream terminates normally or with an error



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    - This omission complicates testing a bit, until you're comfortable with `StepVerifier`

```
public interface StepVerifier
```

A `StepVerifier` provides a declarative way of creating a verifiable script for an async `Publisher` sequence, by expressing expectations about the events that will happen upon subscription. The verification must be triggered after the terminal expectations (completion, error, cancellation) have been declared, by calling one of the `verify()` methods.

- Create a `StepVerifier` around a `Publisher` using `create(Publisher)` or `withVirtualTime(Supplier<Publisher>)` (in which case you should lazily create the publisher inside the provided `lambda`).
- Set up individual value expectations using `expectNext`, `expectNextMatches(Predicate)`, `assertNext(Consumer)`, `expectNextCount(long)` or `expectNextSequence(Iterable)`.
- Trigger subscription actions during the verification using either `thenRequest(long)` or `thenCancel()`.
- Finalize the test scenario using a terminal expectation: `expectComplete()`, `expectError()`, `expectError(Class)`, `expectErrorMatches(Predicate)`, or `thenCancel()`.
- Trigger the verification of the resulting `StepVerifier` on its `Publisher` using either `verify()` or `verify(Duration)`. (note some of the terminal expectations above have a "verify" prefixed alternative that both declare the expectation and trigger the verification).
- If any expectations failed, an `AssertionError` will be thrown indicating the failures.

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# End of Key Terminal Operators in the Observable Class (Part 1)