

# REACTIVE PROGRAMMING WITH Rx

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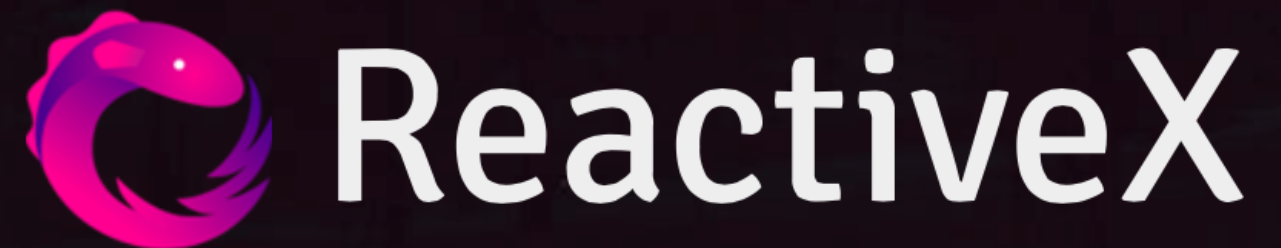
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with observable streams

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# RxJAVA

<http://github.com/ReactiveX/RxJava>

<http://reactivex.io>

Maven Central: `'io.reactivex:rxjava:1.0.+'`

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	Single	Multiple
Sync	<code>T getData()</code>	<code>Iterable&lt;T&gt; getData()</code> <code>Stream&lt;T&gt; getData()</code>
Async	<code>Future&lt;T&gt; getData()</code>	<code>Observable&lt;T&gt; getData()</code>



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Observable.create(subscriber -> {  
    subscriber.onNext("Hello World!");  
    subscriber.onCompleted();  
}).subscribe(System.out::println);
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Observable.create(subscriber -> {  
    subscriber.onNext("Hello");  
    subscriber.onNext("World!");  
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}).subscribe(System.out::println);
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```
// shorten by using helper method  
Observable.just("Hello", "World!")  
    .subscribe(System.out::println);
```



```
// add onError and onComplete listeners
Observable.just("Hello", "World!")
    .subscribe(System.out::println,
        Throwable::printStackTrace,
        () -> System.out.println("Done"));
```

```
// expand to show full classes
Observable.create(new OnSubscribe<String>() {

    @Override
    public void call(Subscriber<? super String> subscriber) {
        subscriber.onNext("Hello World!");
        subscriber.onCompleted();
    }

}).subscribe(new Subscriber<String>() {

    @Override
    public void onCompleted() {
        System.out.println("Done");
    }

    @Override
    public void onError(Throwable e) {
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    @Override
    public void onNext(String t) {
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// add concurrency (manually)
Observable.create(subscriber -> {
    new Thread() -> {
        try {
            subscriber.onNext(getData());
            subscriber.onCompleted();
        } catch (Exception e) {
            subscriber.onError(e);
        }
    }
}).start();
}).subscribe(System.out::println);
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// add concurrency (using a Scheduler)
Observable.create(subscriber -> {
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    .map(data -> data + " --> at " + System.currentTimeMillis())
    .onErrorResumeNext(e -> Observable.just("Fallback Data"))
    .subscribe(System.out::println);
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```
// infinite
Observable.create(subscriber -> {
    int i=0;
    while(!subscriber.isUnsubscribed()) {
        subscriber.onNext(i++);
    }
}).subscribe(System.out::println);
```

*Note: No backpressure support here. See `Observable.from(Iterable)` or `Observable.range()` for actual implementations*

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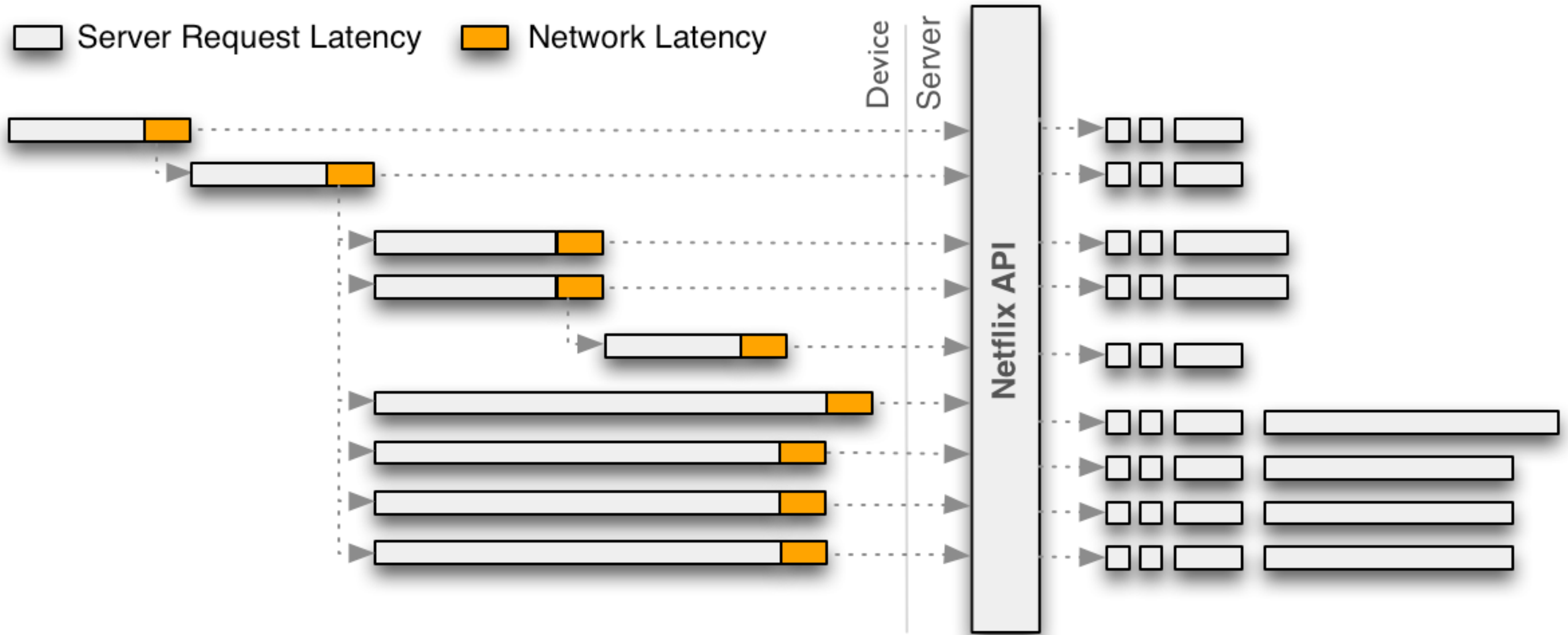
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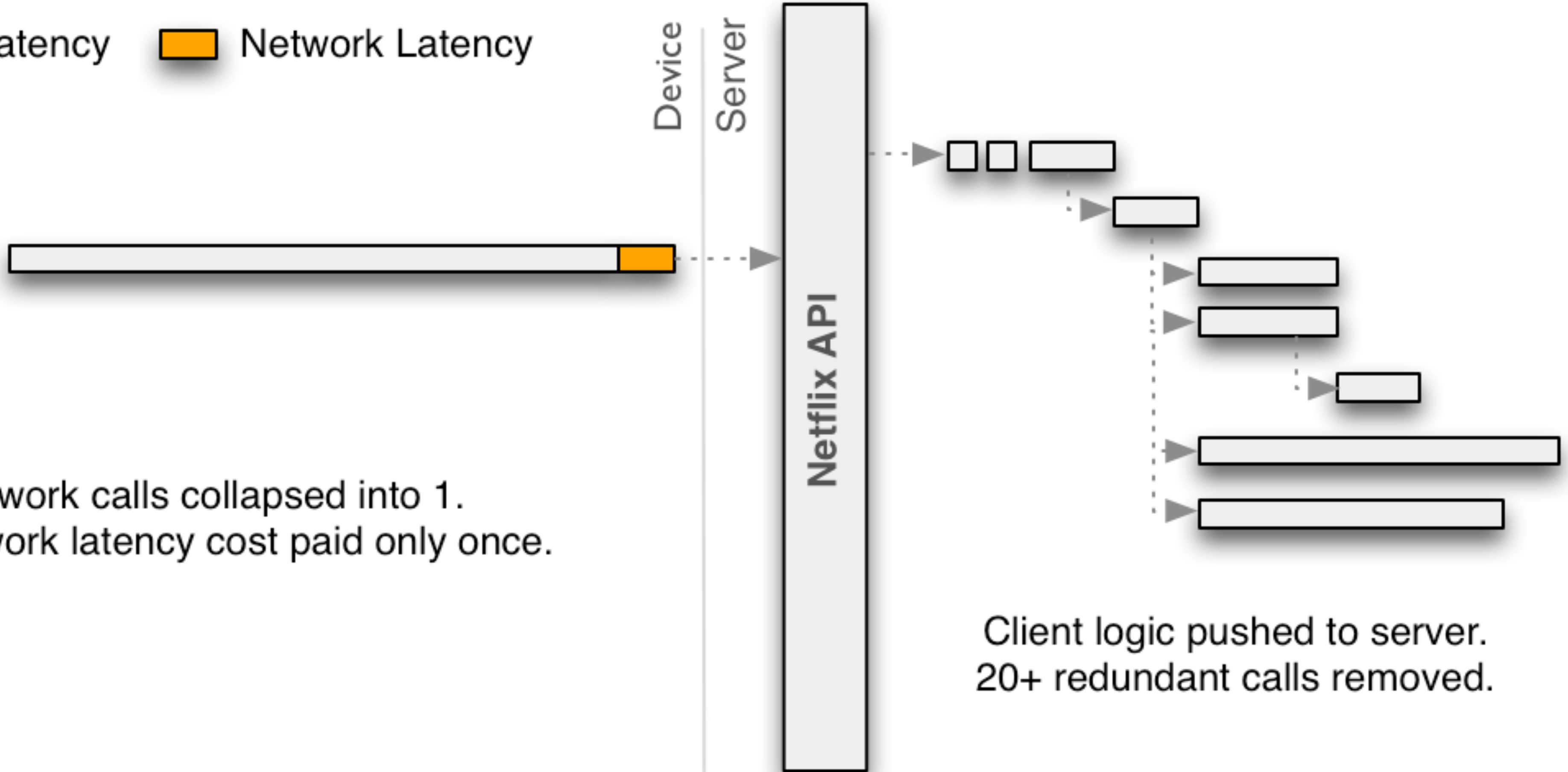




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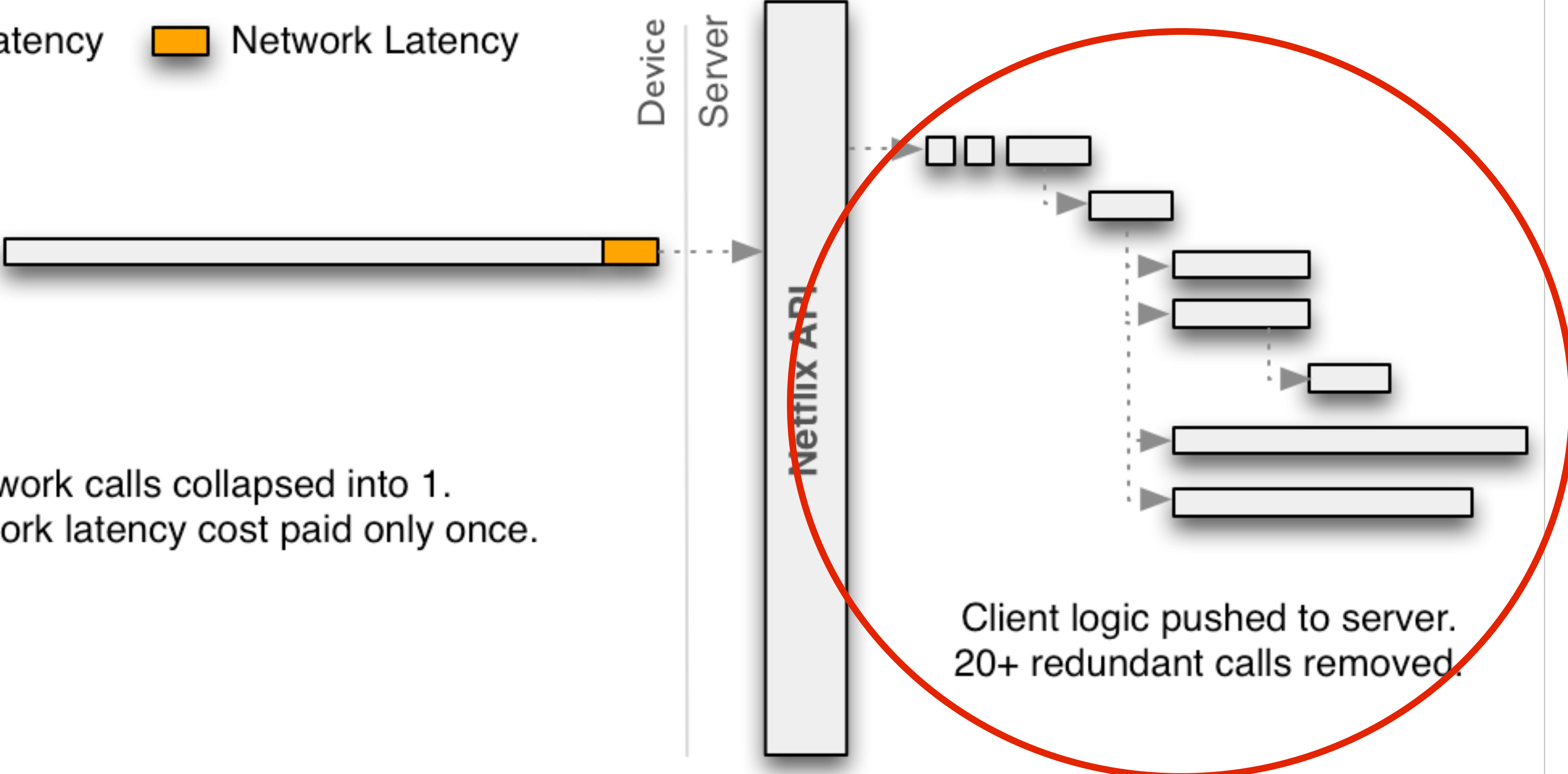


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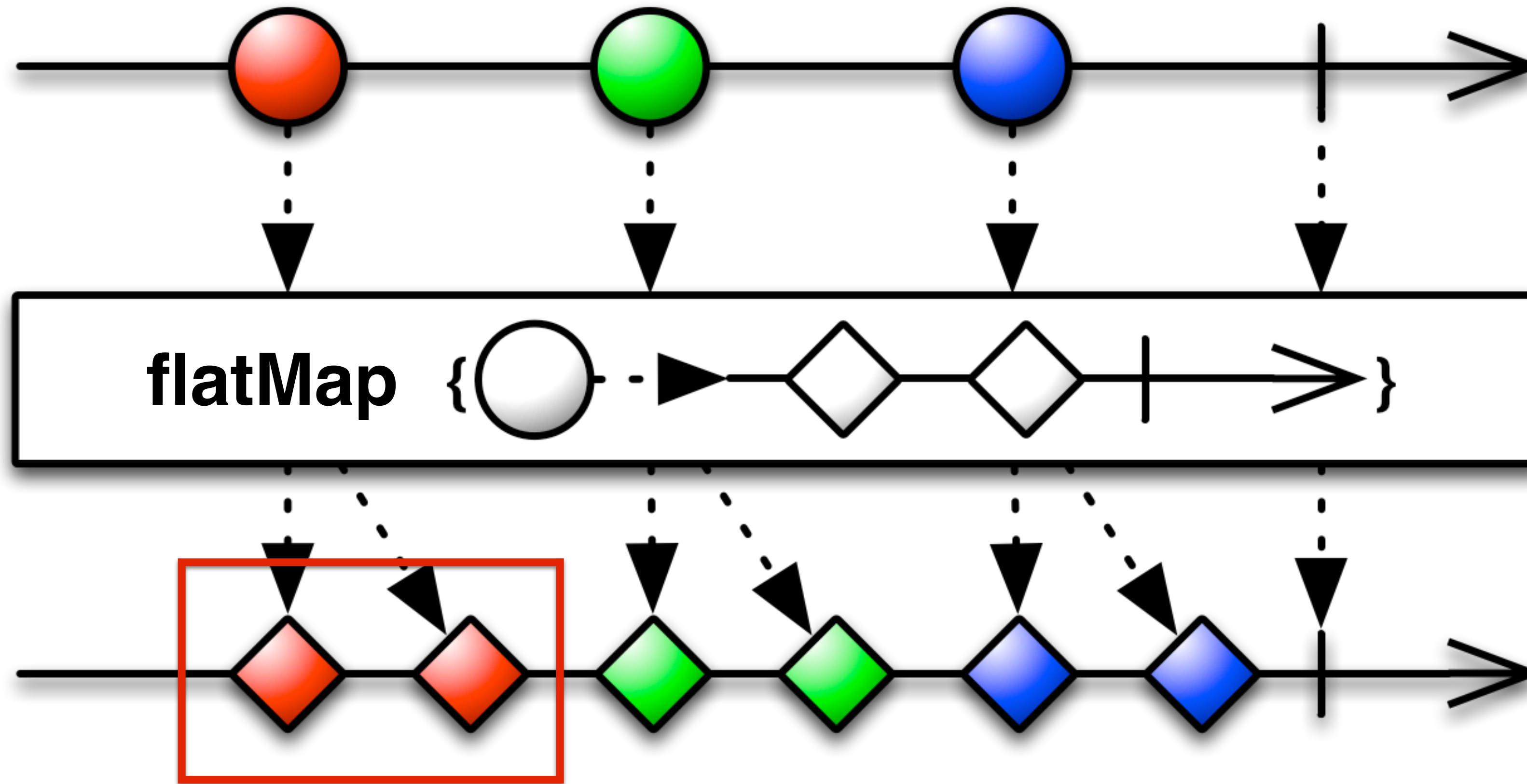
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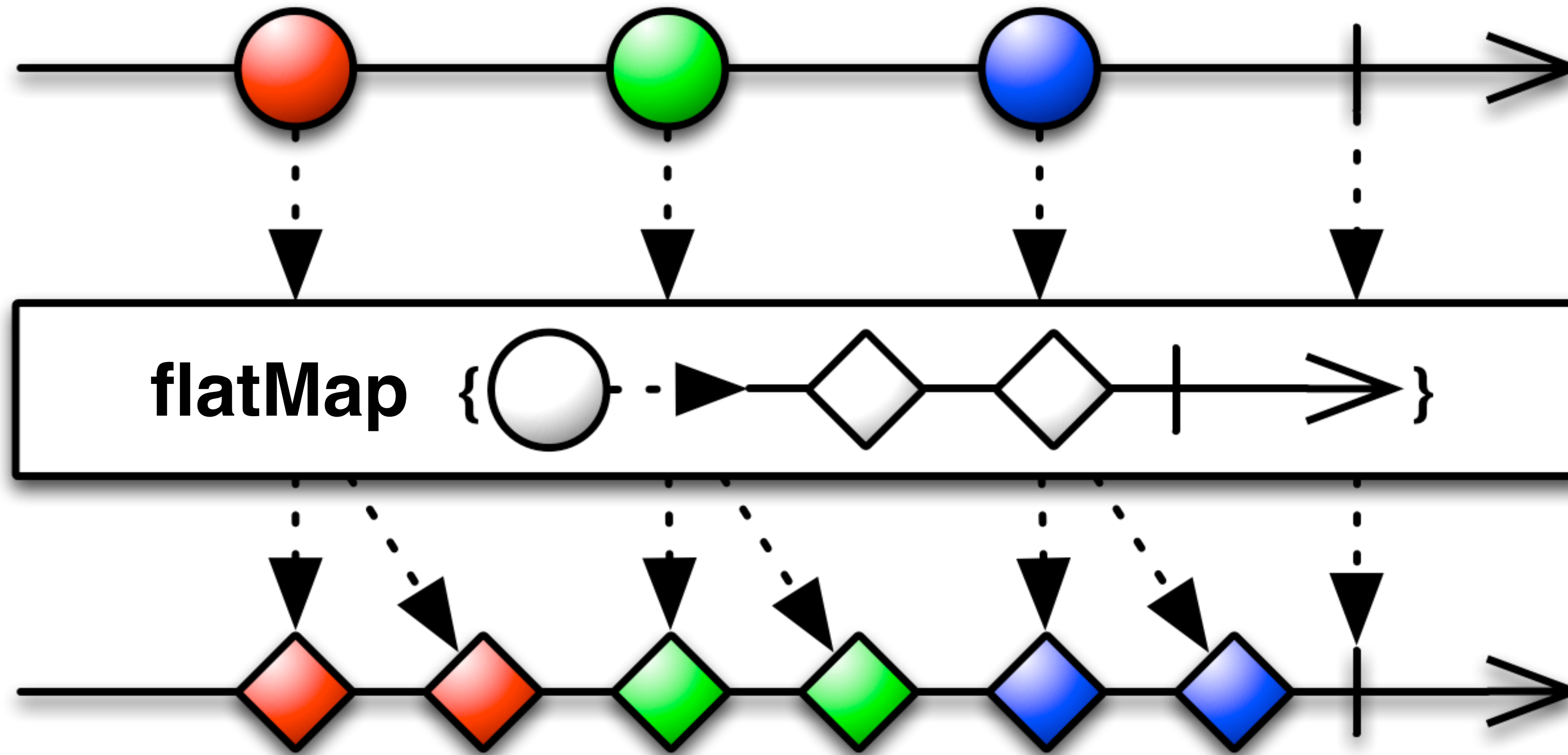


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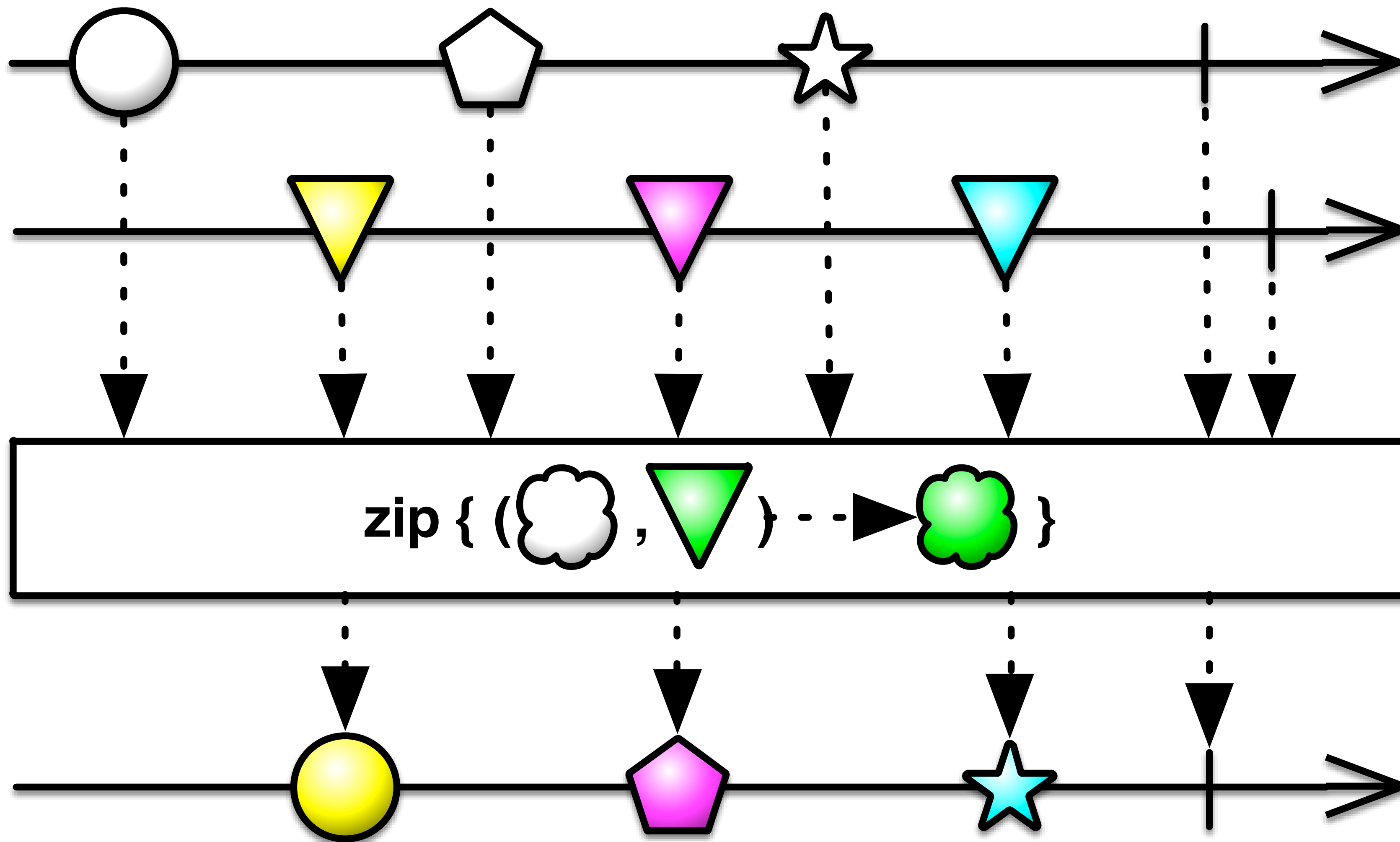
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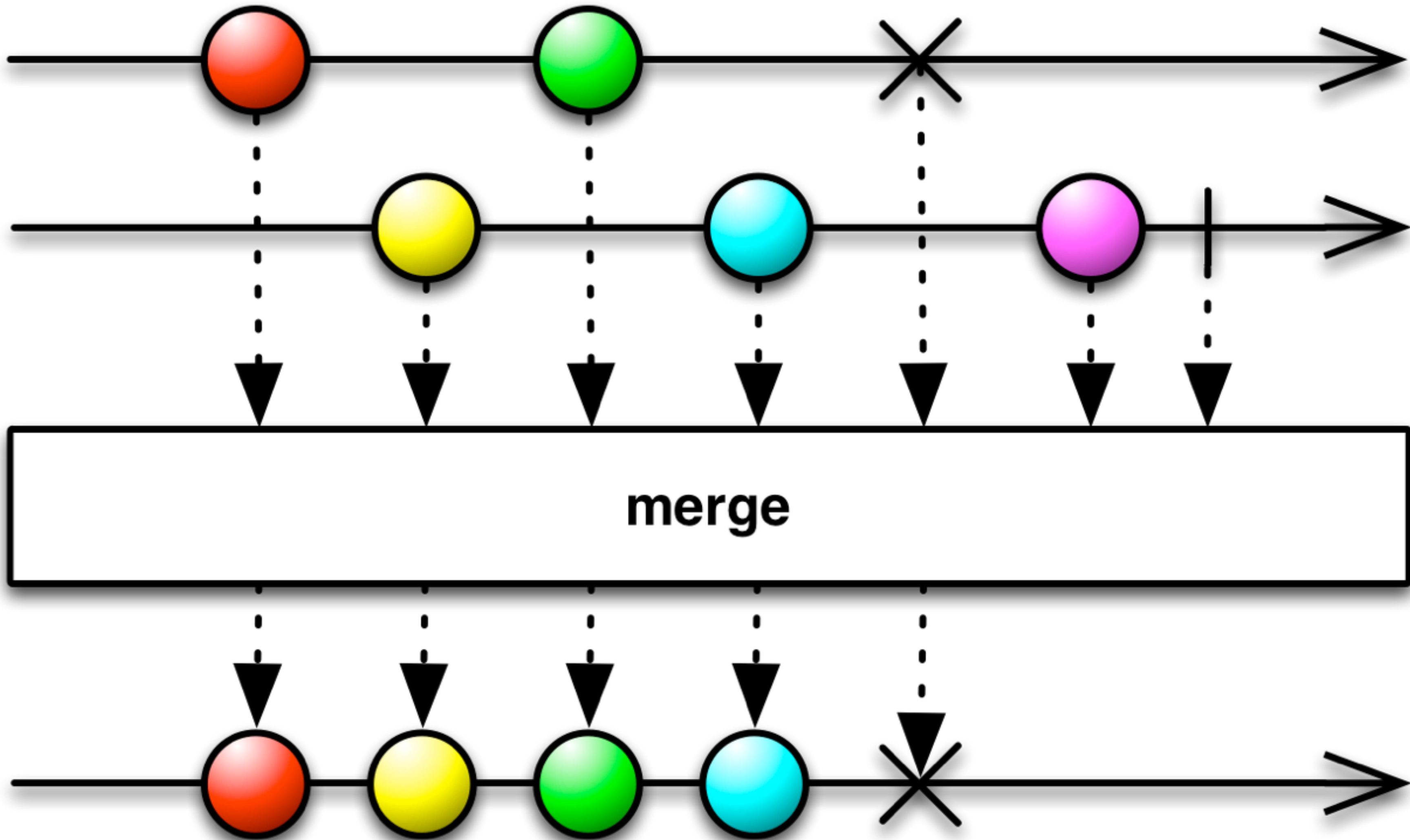
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                    return Observable.zip(bookmark, rating, metadata, (b, r, m) -> {
                        return combineVideoData(video, b, r, m);
                    });
                });
            });
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        });
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}
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public Observable<Void> handle(HttpServerRequest<ByteBuf> request, HttpServerResponse<ByteBuf> response) {
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        // then fetch personal catalog
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            .flatMap(catalogList -> {
                return catalogList.videos().<Map<String, Object>> flatMap(video -> {
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        return Observable.merge(catalog, social);
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        return response.writeAndFlush(new ServerSentEvent(SimpleJson.mapToJson(data)));
    });
}

```

## INSTEAD OF A **BLOCKING API** ...

```
class VideoService {  
    def VideoList getPersonalizedListOfMovies(userId);  
    def VideoBookmark getBookmark(userId, videoId);  
    def VideoRating getRating(userId, videoId);  
    def VideoMetadata getMetadata(videoId);  
}
```

## ... CREATE AN **OBSERVABLE API**:

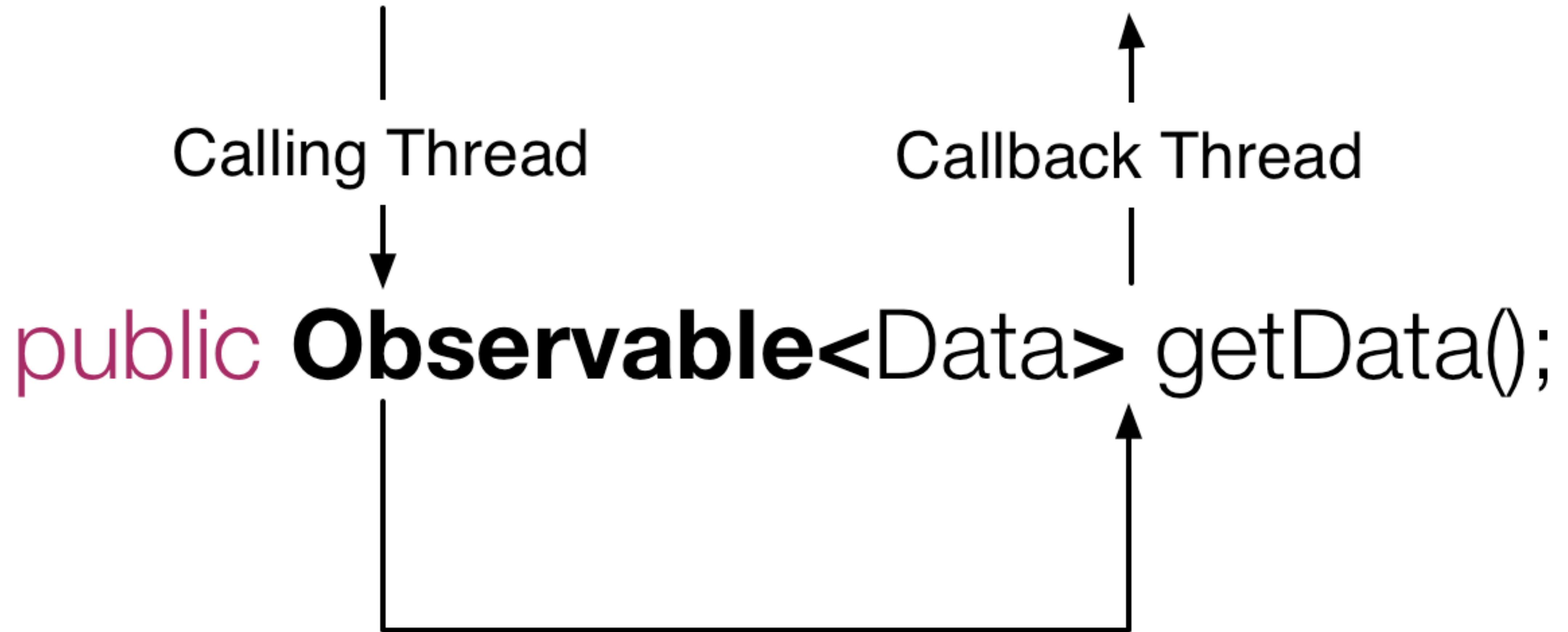
```
class VideoService {  
    def Observable<VideoList> getPersonalizedListOfMovies(userId);  
    def Observable<VideoBookmark> getBookmark(userId, videoId);  
    def Observable<VideoRating> getRating(userId, videoId);  
    def Observable<VideoMetadata> getMetadata(videoId);  
}
```

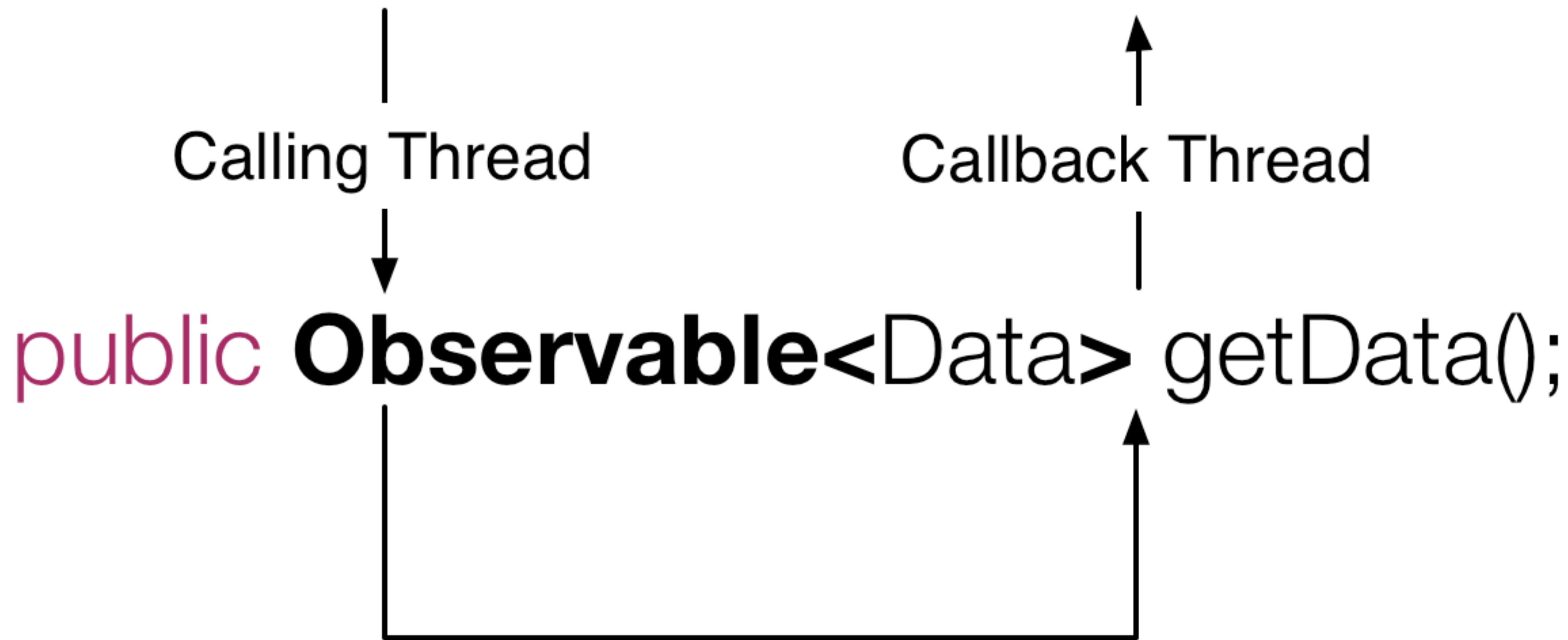


```
public Observable<Void> handle(HttpServerRequest<ByteBuf> request, HttpServerResponse<ByteBuf> response) {
    // first request User object
    return getUser(1, request.getQueryParameters().get("userId")).flatMap(user -> {
        // then fetch personal catalog
        Observable<Map<String, Object>> catalog = getPersonalizedCatalog(2, user)
            .flatMap(catalogList -> {
                return catalogList.videos().<Map<String, Object>> flatMap(video -> {
                    Observable<Bookmark> bookmark = getBookmark(3, video);
                    Observable<Rating> rating = getRating(4, video);
                    Observable<VideoMetadata> metadata = getMetadata(5, video);
                    return Observable.zip(bookmark, rating, metadata, (b, r, m) -> {
                        return combineVideoData(video, b, r, m);
                    });
                });
            });
        // and fetch social data in parallel
        Observable<Map<String, Object>> social = getSocialData(6, user).map(s -> {
            return s.getDataAsMap();
        });
        // merge the results
        return Observable.merge(catalog, social);
    }).flatMap(data -> {
        // output as SSE as we get back the data (no waiting until all is done)
        return response.writeAndFlush(new ServerSentEvent(SimpleJson.mapToJson(data)));
    });
}
```

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public Observable<Void> handle(HttpServerRequest<ByteBuf> request, HttpServerResponse<ByteBuf> response) {  
    // first request User object  
    return getUser(1 request.getQueryParameters().get("userId")).flatMap(user -> {  
        // then fetch personal catalog  
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        .flatMap(catalogList -> {  
            catalogList.videos().<Map<String, Object>> flatMap(video -> {  
                Observable<Bookmark> bookmark = getBookmark(3 video);  
                Observable<Rating> rating = getRating(4 video);  
                Observable<VideoMetadata> metadata = getMetadata(5 video);  
                return Observable.zip(bookmark, rating, metadata, (b, r, m) -> {  
                    return combineVideoData(video, b, r, m);  
                });  
            });  
        });  
        // and fetch social data in parallel  
        Observable<Map<String, Object>> social = getSocialData(6 r).map(s -> {  
            return s.getDataAsMap();  
        });  
        // merge the results  
        return Observable.merge(catalog, social);  
    }).flatMap(data -> {  
        // output as SSE as we get back the data (no waiting until all is done)  
        return response.writeAndFlush(new ServerSentEvent(SimpleJson.mapToJson(data)));  
    });  
}
```

# Non-Opinionated Concurrency



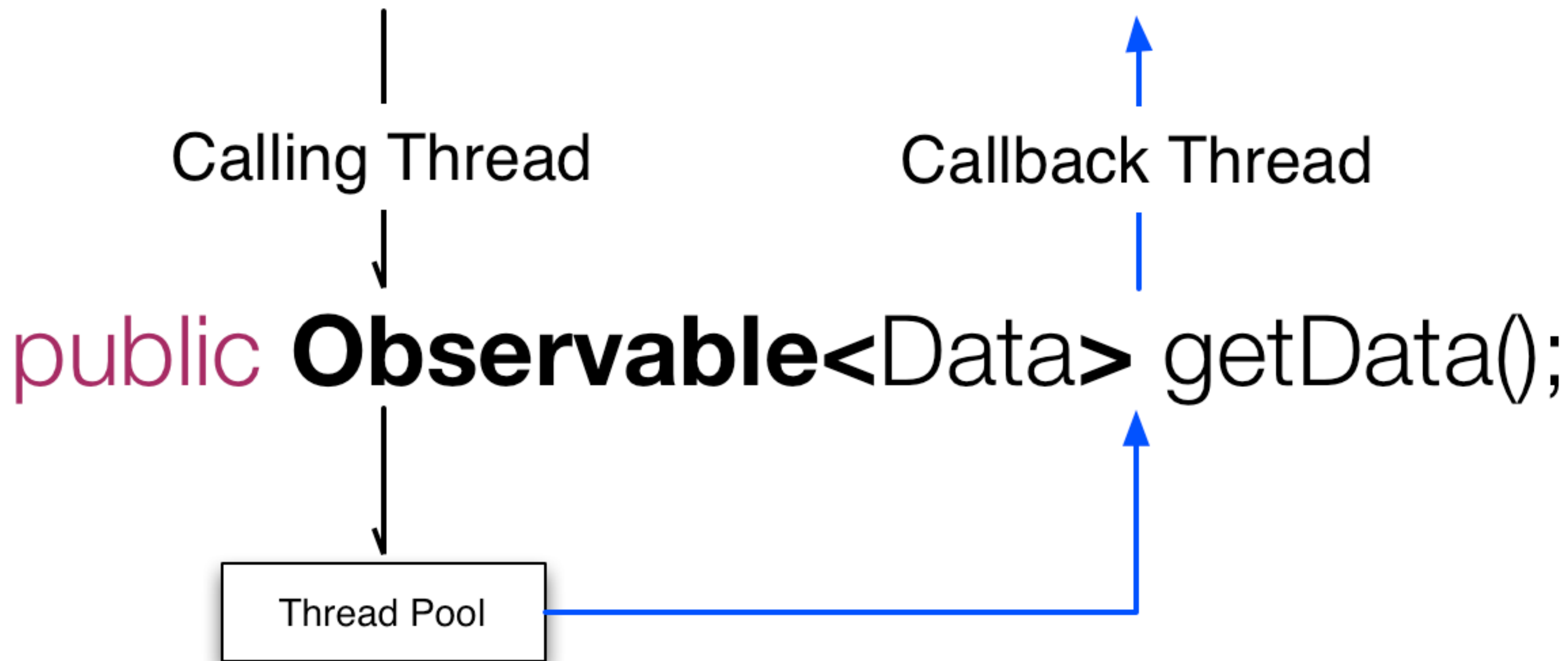


Do work synchronously on calling thread.

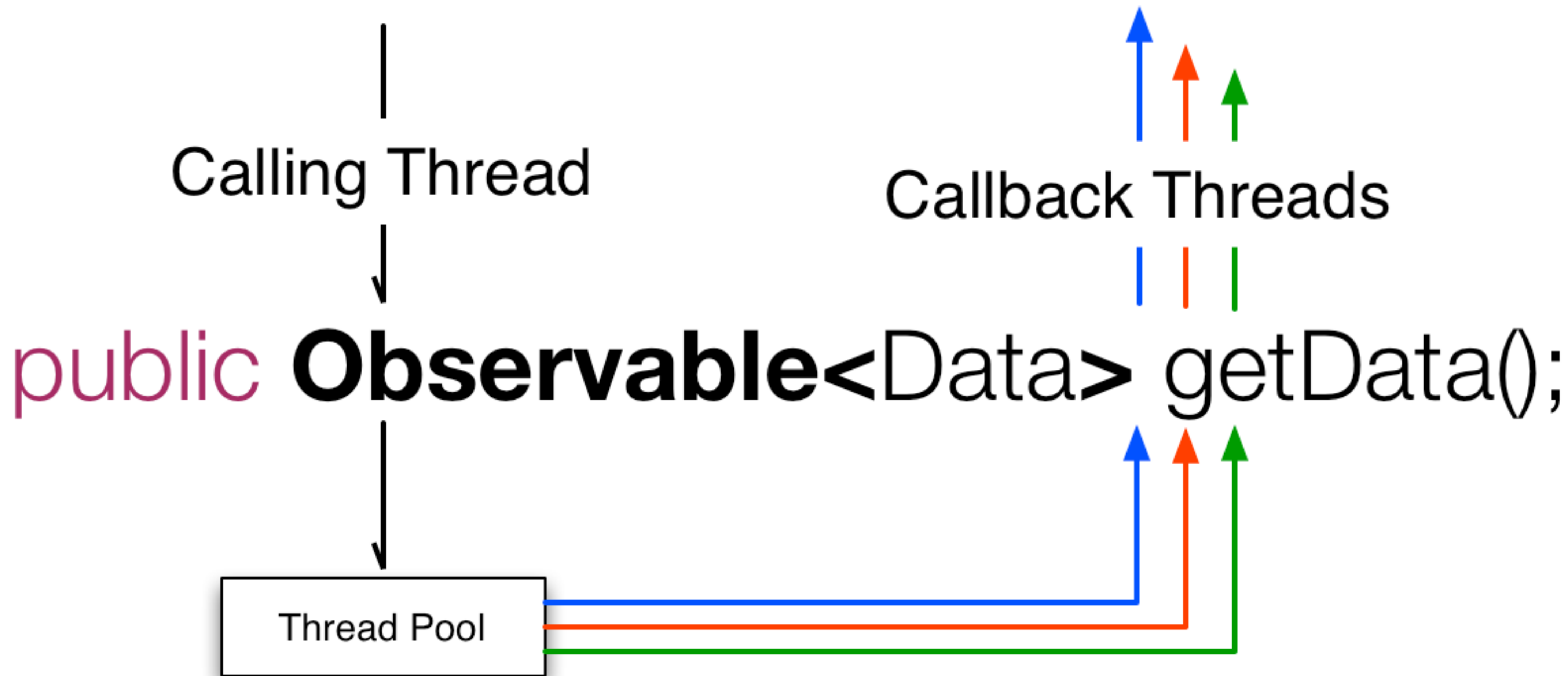
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public Observable<Void> handle(HttpServerRequest<ByteBuf> request, HttpServerResponse<ByteBuf> response) {
    // first request User object
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        // then fetch personal catalog
        Observable<Map<String, Object>> catalog = getPersonalizedCatalog(user)
            .flatMap(catalogList -> {
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}
```



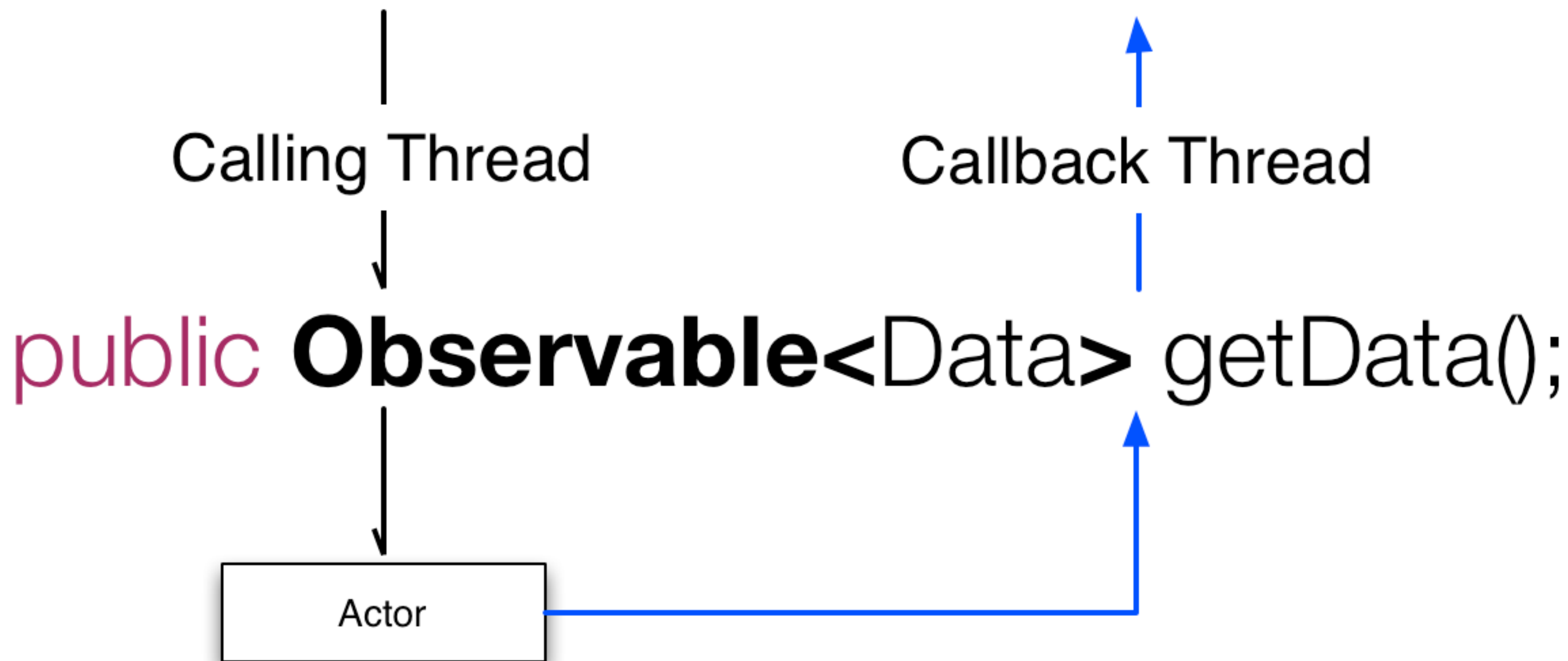




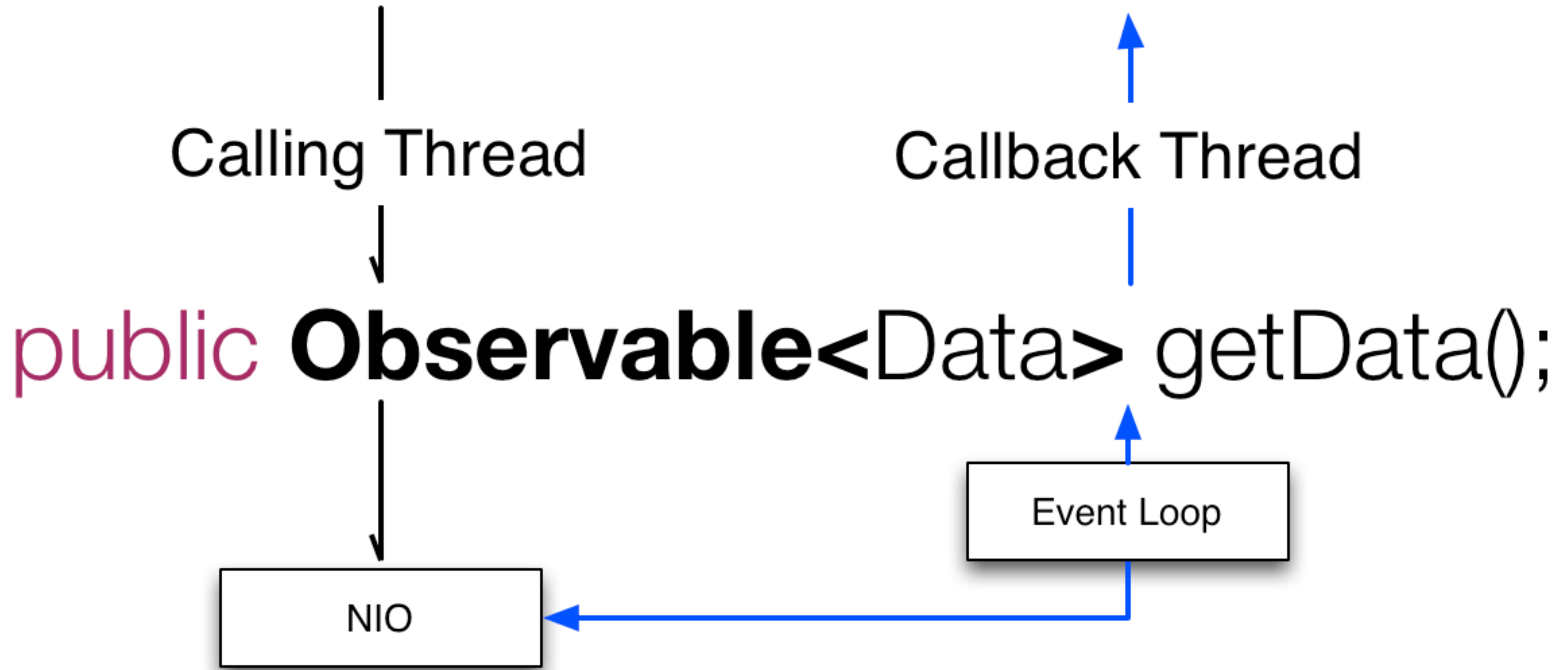
Do work asynchronously on a separate thread.



Do work asynchronously on a multiple threads.



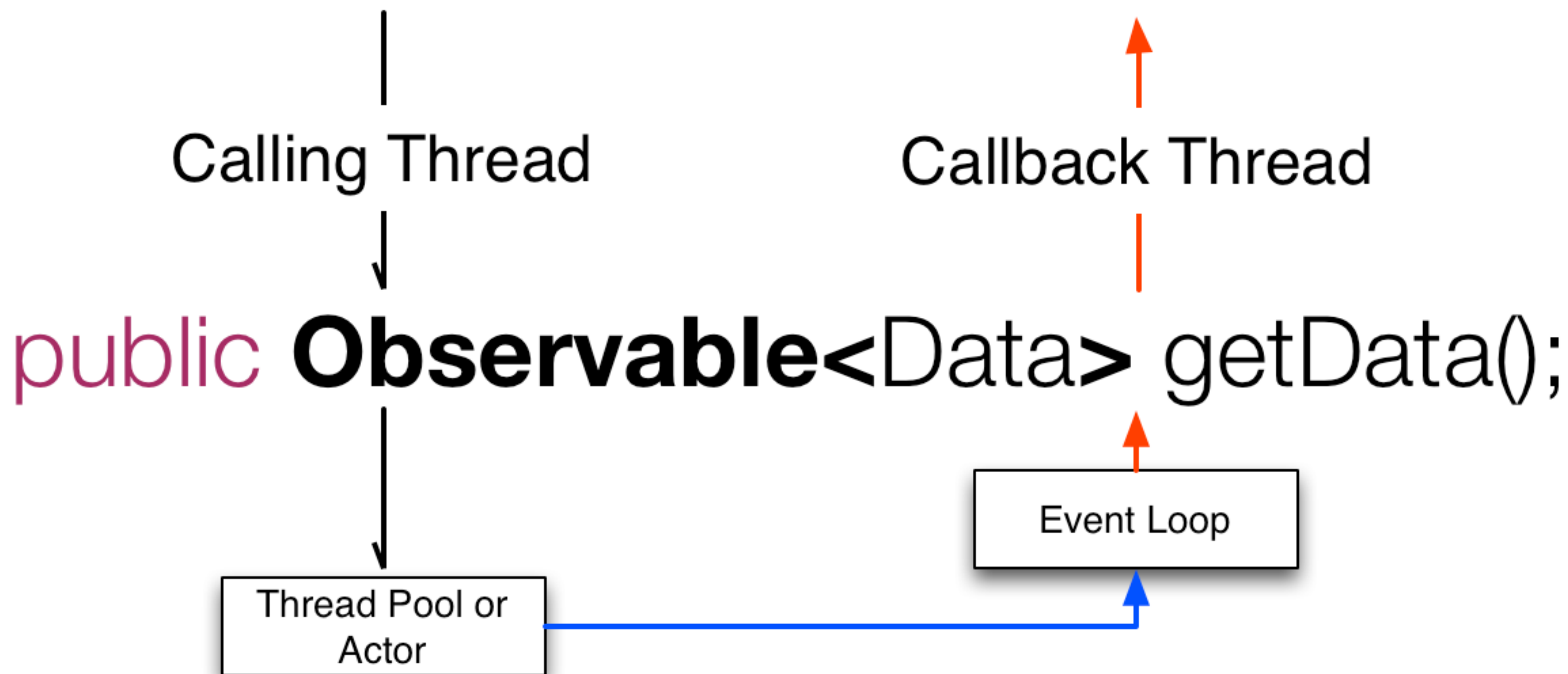
Do work asynchronously on an actor  
(or multiple actors).



Do network access asynchronously using NIO  
and perform callback on Event Loop

```
public Observable<Void> handle(HttpServerRequest<ByteBuf> request, HttpServerResponse<ByteBuf> response) {
    // first request User object
    return getUser(request.getQueryParameters().get("userId")).flatMap(user -> {
        // then fetch personal catalog
        Observable<Map<String, Object>> catalog = getPersonalizedCatalog(user)
            .flatMap(catalogList -> {
                return catalogList.videos().<Map<String, Object>> flatMap(video -> {
                    Observable<Bookmark> bookmark = getBookmark(video);
                    Observable<Rating> rating = getRating(video);
                    Observable<VideoMetadata> metadata = getMetadata(video);
                    return Observable.zip(bookmark, rating, metadata, (b, r, m) -> {
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                    });
                });
            });
        // and fetch social data in parallel
        Observable<Map<String, Object>> social = getSocialData(user).flatMap(s -> {
            return s.getDataAsMap();
        });
        // merge the results
        return Observable.merge(catalog, social);
    }).flatMap(data -> {
        // output as SSE as we get back the data (no waiting until all is done)
        return response.writeAndFlush(new ServerSentEvent(SimpleJson.mapToJson(data)));
    });
}
```





Do work asynchronously and perform callback via a single or multi-threaded event loop.

# Decouples Consumption from Production

```
// first request User object
return getUser(request.getQueryParameters().get("userId")).flatMap(user -> {
    // then fetch personal catalog
    Observable<Map<String, Object>> catalog = getPersonalizedCatalog(user)
        .flatMap(catalogList -> {
            return catalogList.videos().<Map<String, Object>> flatMap(video -> {
                Observable<Bookmark> bookmark = getBookmark(video);
                Observable<Rating> rating = getRating(video);
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                return Observable.zip(bookmark, rating, metadata, (b, r, m) -> {
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            });
        });
    // and fetch social data in parallel
    Observable<Map<String, Object>> social = getSocialData(user).map(s -> {
        return s.getDataAsMap();
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    // merge the results
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})
```

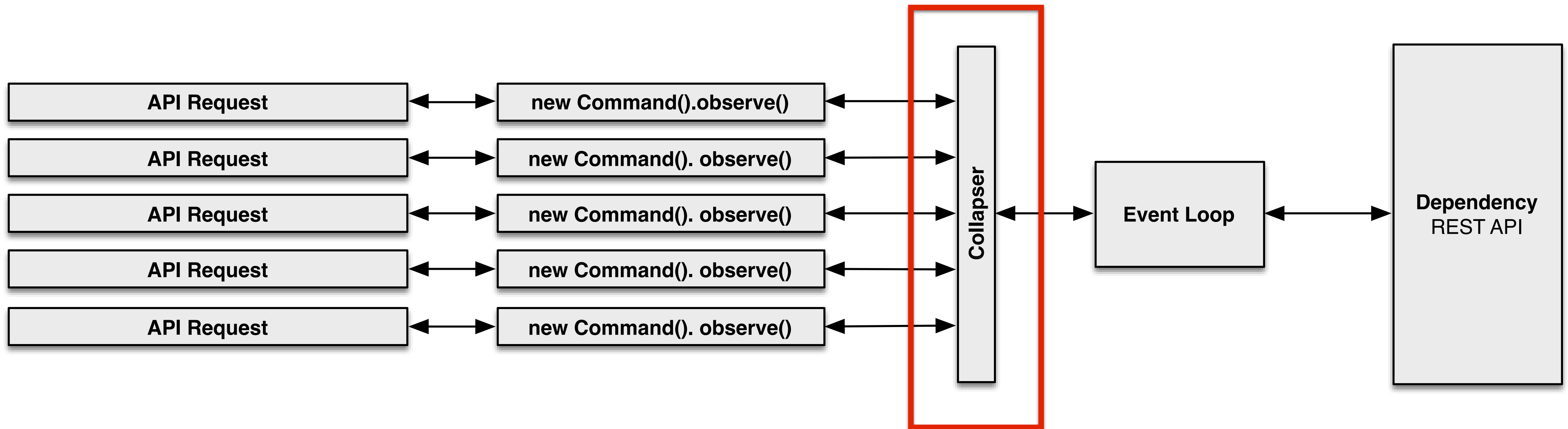
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// first request User object
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        .flatMap(catalogList -> {
            return catalogList.videos().<Map<String, Object>> flatMap(video -> {
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})
```

# Decouples Consumption from Production

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// first request User object
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# Decouples Consumption from Production





# ~5 network calls

(#3 and #4 may result in more due to windowing)

```
// first request User object
return getUser(1 test.getQueryParameters().get("userId")).flatMap(user -> {
    // then fetch personal catalog
    Observable<Map<String, Object>> catalog = getPersonalizedCatalog(2 user)
        .flatMap(catalogList -> {
            return catalogList.videos().<Map<String, Object>> flatMap(video -> {
                Observable<Bookmark> bookmark = getBookmark(3 video);
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            });
        });
    // and fetch social data in parallel
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})
```

# Clear API Communicates Potential Cost

```
class VideoService {  
    def Observable<VideoList> getPersonalizedListOfMovies(userId);  
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# Implementation Can Differ

BIO Network Call

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Local Cache

Collapsed  
Network Call

# Implementation Can Differ and Change

~~BIO~~ NIO Network Call

```
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~~Local Cache~~

Collapsed  
Network Call

Collapsed  
Network Call

**Retrieval, Transformation, Combination**  
**all done in same declarative manner**



***What about ... ?***

# Error Handling

```
Observable.create(subscriber -> {  
    throw new RuntimeException("failed!");  
}).onErrorResumeNext(throwable -> {  
    return Observable.just("fallback value");  
}).subscribe(System.out::println);
```

```
Observable.create(subscriber -> {  
    throw new RuntimeException("failed!");  
}).onErrorReturn(throwable -> {  
    return "fallback value";  
}).subscribe(System.out::println);
```

```
Observable.create(subscriber -> {
    throw new RuntimeException("failed!");
}).retryWhen(attempts -> {
    return attempts.zipWith(Observable.range(1, 3), (throwable, i) -> i)
        .flatMap(i -> {
            System.out.println("delay retry by " + i + " second(s)");
            return Observable.timer(i, TimeUnit.SECONDS);
        }).concatWith(Observable.error(new RuntimeException("Exceeded 3 retries"))));
})
.subscribe(System.out::println, t -> t.printStackTrace());
```



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Observable.create(subscriber -> {
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# Concurrency

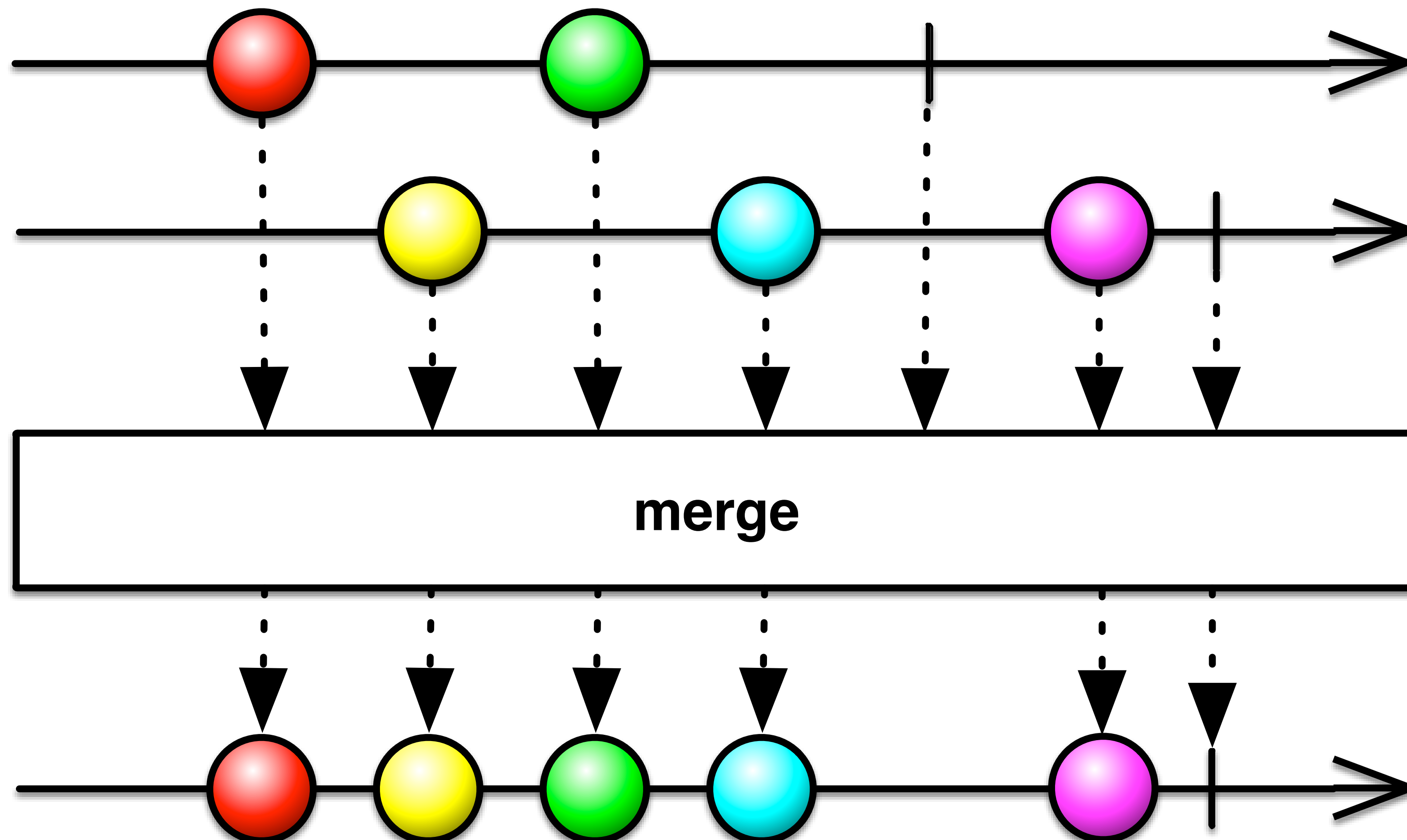
# Concurrency

**an Observable is sequential  
(no concurrent emissions)**

**scheduling and combining Observables  
enables concurrency while retaining sequential emission**



```
// merging async Observables allows each
// to execute concurrently
Observable.merge(getDataAsync(1), getDataAsync(2))
```



```
// concurrently fetch data for 5 items
Observable.range(0, 5).flatMap(i -> {
    return getDataAsync(i);
})
```

```
Observable.range(0, 5000).window(500).flatMap(work -> {  
    return work.observeOn(Schedulers.computation())  
        .map(item -> {  
            // simulate computational work  
            try { Thread.sleep(1); } catch (Exception e) {}  
            return item + " processed " + Thread.currentThread();  
        });  
})
```

```
Observable.range(0, 5000).buffer(500).flatMap(is -> {  
    return Observable.from(is).subscribeOn(Schedulers.computation())  
        .map(item -> {  
            // simulate computational work  
            try { Thread.sleep(1); } catch (Exception e) {}  
            return item + " processed " + Thread.currentThread();  
        });  
})
```

# Flow Control



**Flow Control**

**(backpressure)**

```
Observable.from(iterable).take(1000).map(i -> "value_" + i).subscribe(System.out::println);
```

**no backpressure needed**

```
Observable.from(iterable).take(1000).map(i -> "value_" + i).subscribe(System.out::println);
```

**no backpressure needed**

**synchronous on same thread**

**(no queueing)**

```
Observable.from(iterable).take(1000).map(i -> "value_" + i)  
    .observeOn(Schedulers.computation()).subscribe(System.out::println);
```

**backpressure needed**

```
Observable.from(Iterable) take(1000).map(i -> "value_" + i)
    .observeOn(Schedulers.computation()).subscribe(System.out::println);
```

**backpressure needed**

**asynchronous  
(queueing)**

# Flow Control Options



# Hot

emits whether you're ready or not

*examples*

mouse and keyboard events

system events

stock prices

```
Observable.create(subscriber -> {  
  // register with data source  
})
```

flow control

# Cold

emits when requested  
(generally at controlled rate)

*examples*

database query

web service request

reading file

```
Observable.create(subscriber -> {  
  // fetch data  
})
```

flow control & backpressure

**Block**

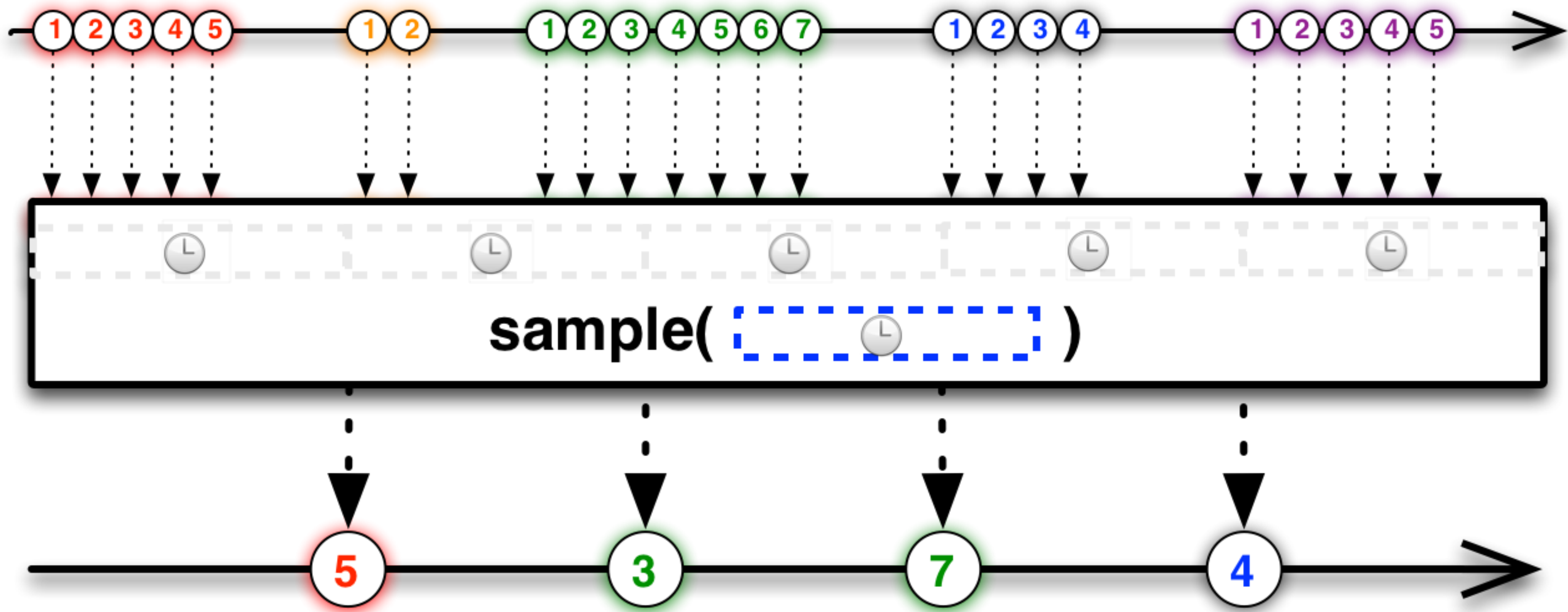
**(callstack blocking and/or park the thread)**

**Hot or Cold Streams**

# **Temporal Operators**

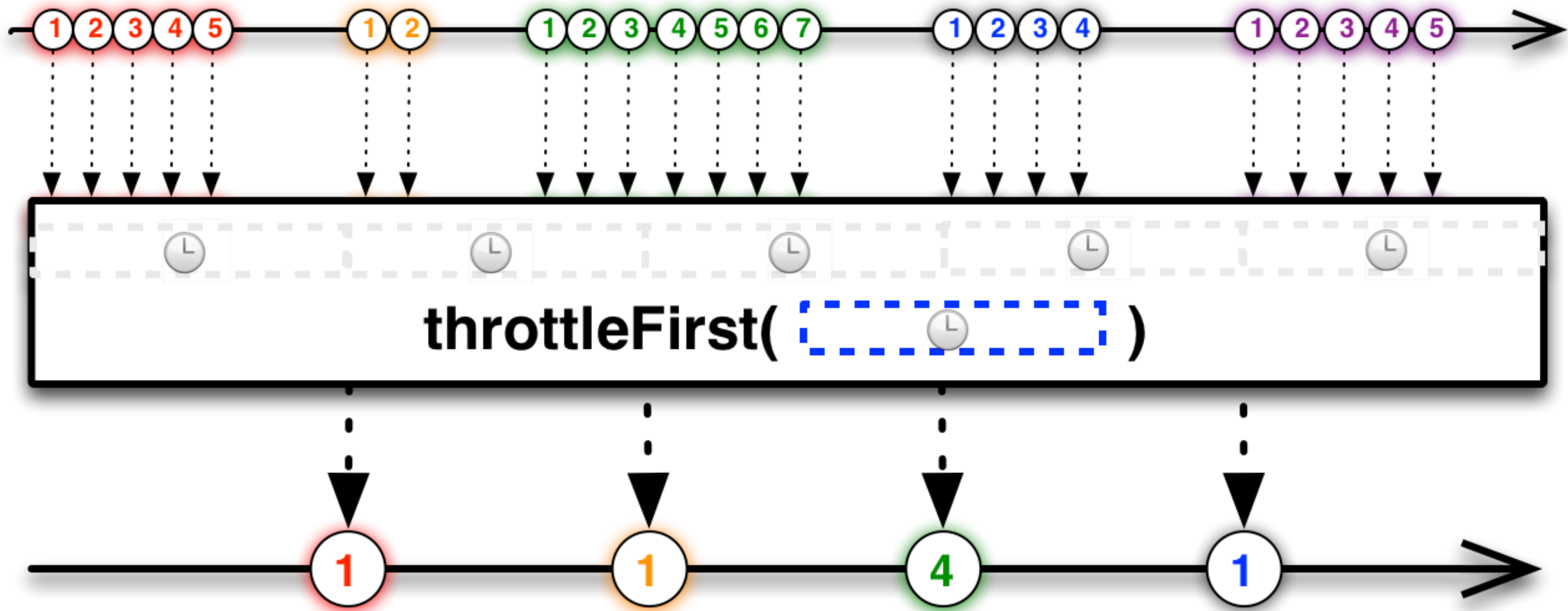
**(batch or drop data using time)**

**Hot Streams**



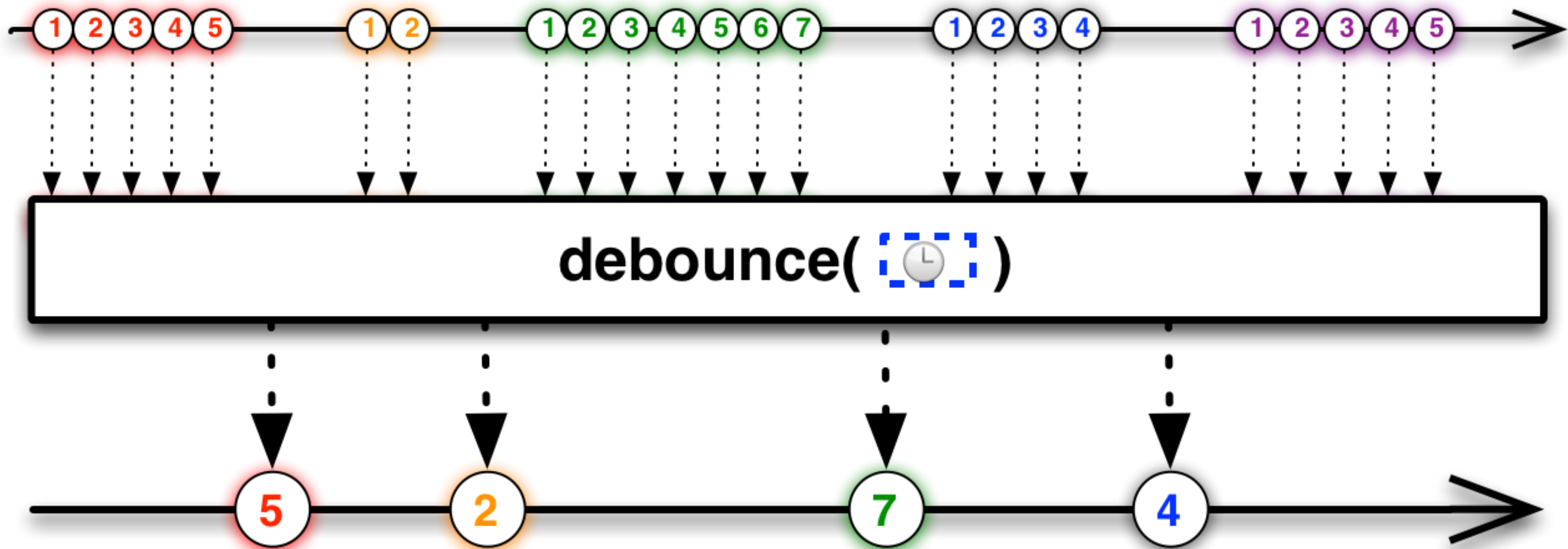
```
Observable.range(1, 1000000).sample(10, TimeUnit.MILLISECONDS).forEach(System.out::println);
```

```
110584
242165
544453
942880
```



```
Observable.range(1, 1000000).throttleFirst(10, TimeUnit.MILLISECONDS).forEach(System.out::println);
```

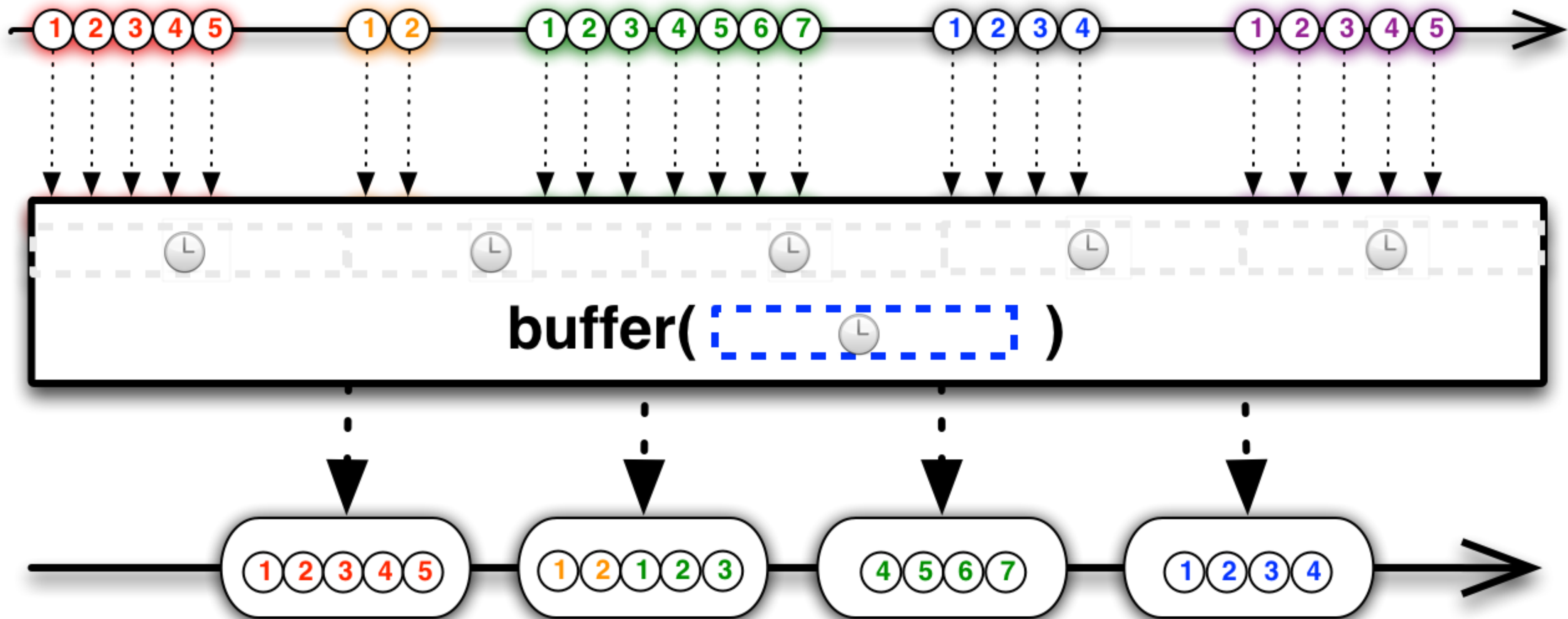
```
1
55463
163962
308545
457445
592638
751789
897159
```



```
Observable.range(1, 1000000).debounce(10, TimeUnit.MILLISECONDS).forEach(System.out::println);
```

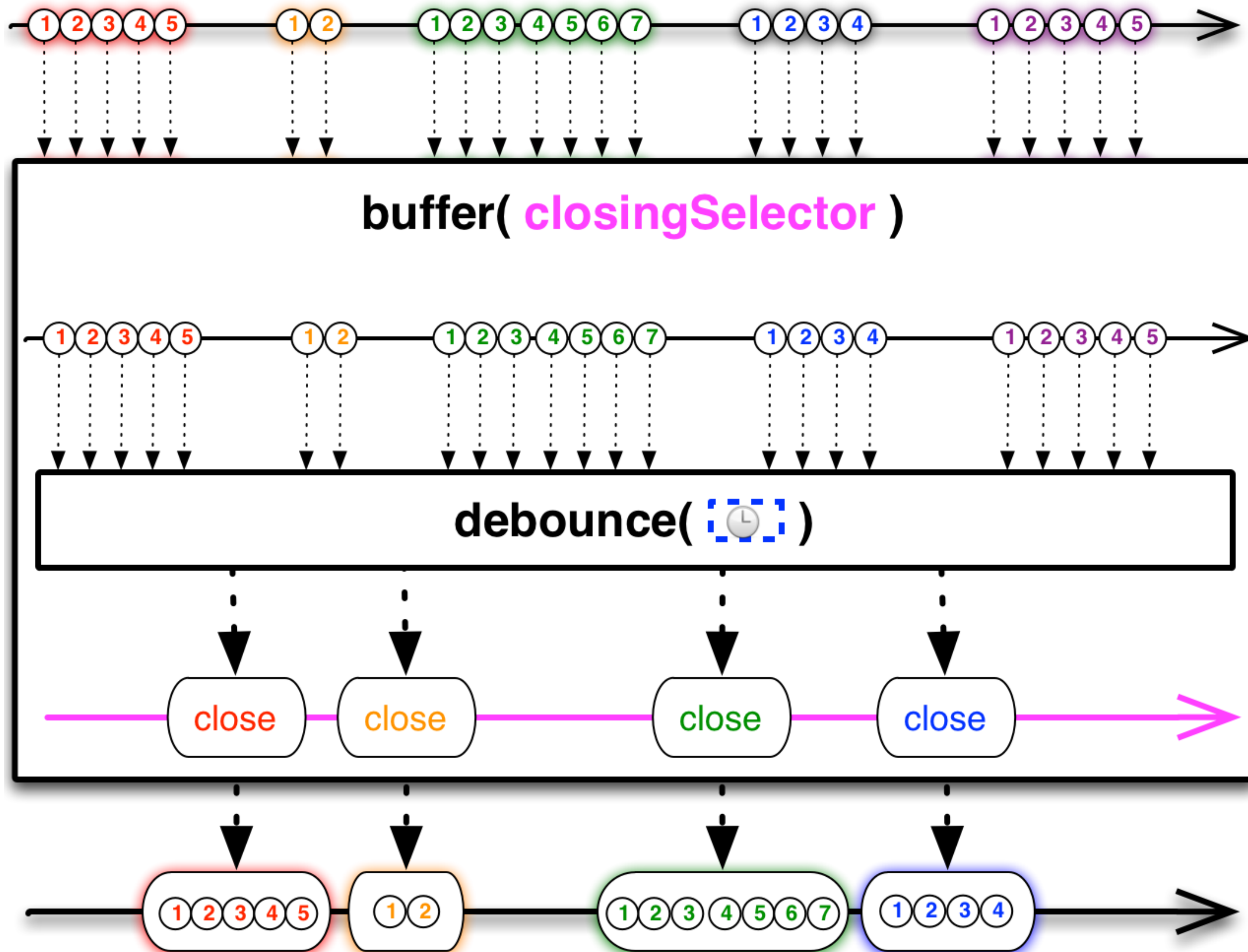
1000000





```
Observable.range(1, 1000000).buffer(10, TimeUnit.MILLISECONDS)
    .toBlocking().forEach(list -> System.out.println("batch: " + list.size()));
```

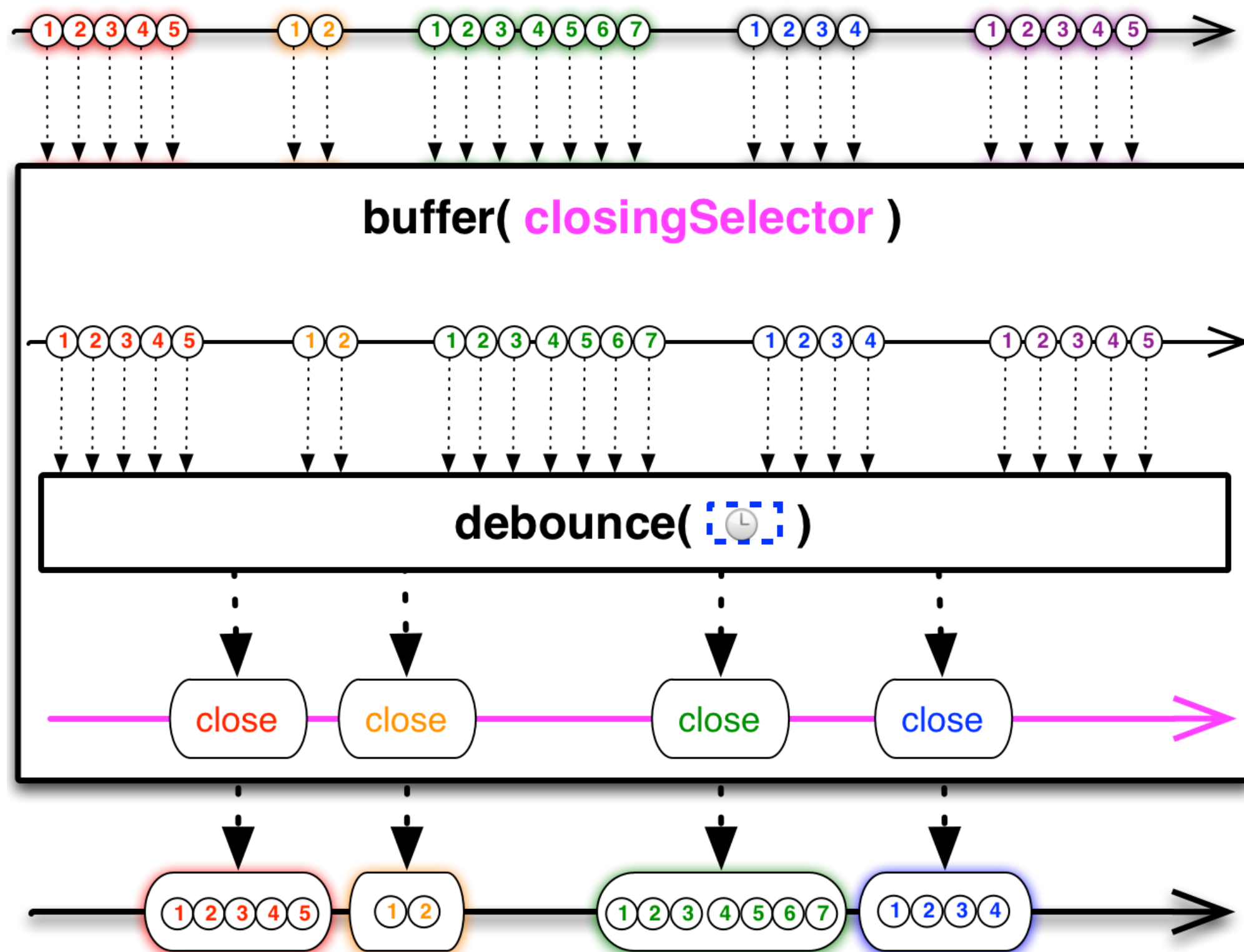
```
batch: 71141
batch: 49488
batch: 141147
batch: 141432
batch: 195920
batch: 240462
batch: 160410
```



```

/* The following will emit a buffered list as it is debounced */
// first we multicast the stream ... using refCount so it handles the subscribe/unsubscribe
Observable<Integer> burstStream = intermittentBursts().take(20).publish().refCount();
// then we get the debounced version
Observable<Integer> debounced = burstStream.debounce(10, TimeUnit.MILLISECONDS);
// then the buffered one that uses the debounced stream to demark window start/stop
Observable<List<Integer>> buffered = burstStream.buffer(debounced);
// then we subscribe to the buffered stream so it does what we want
buffered.toBlocking().forEach(System.out::println);

```



```

[0, 1, 2]
[0, 1, 2]
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]
[0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
[0, 1]
[]

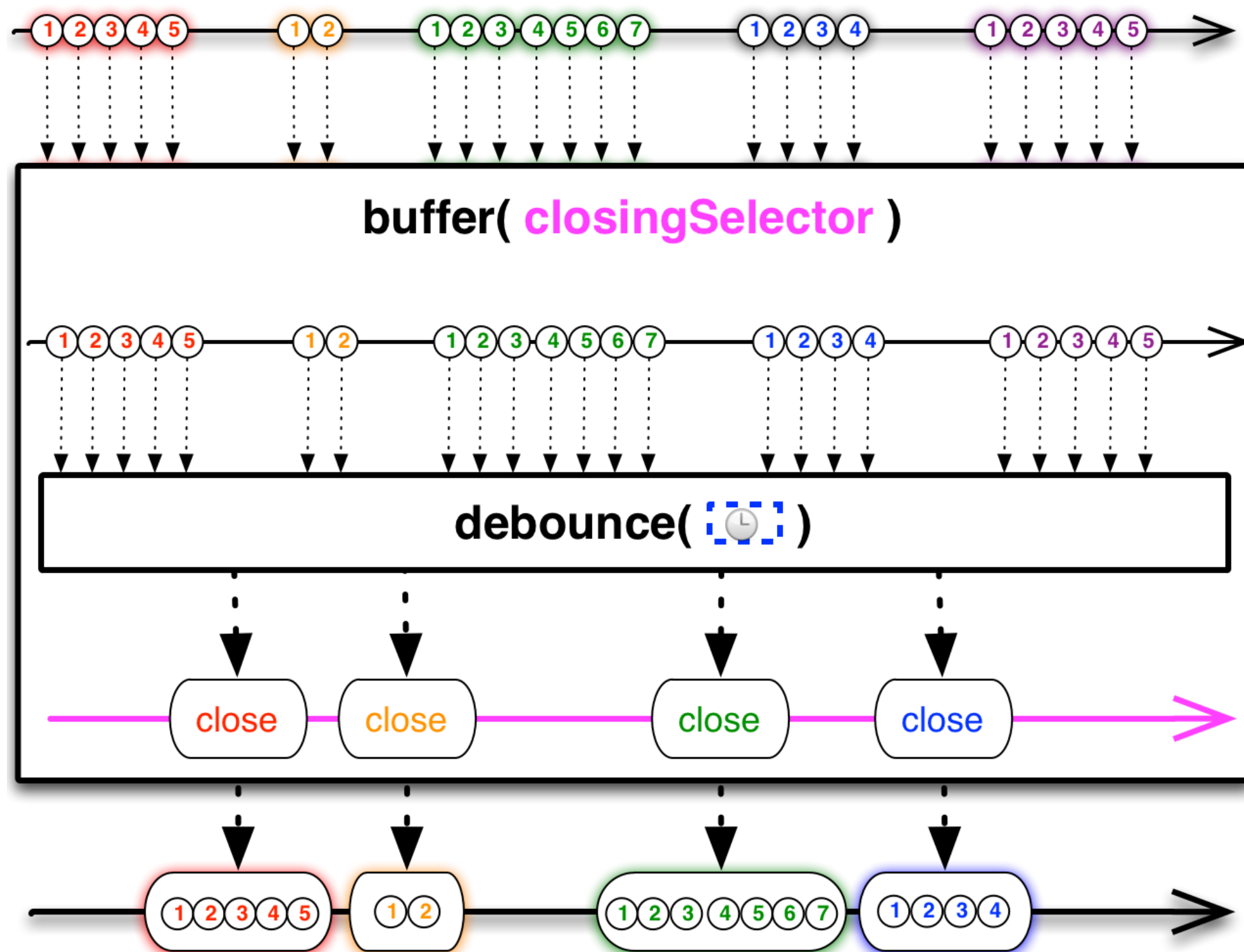
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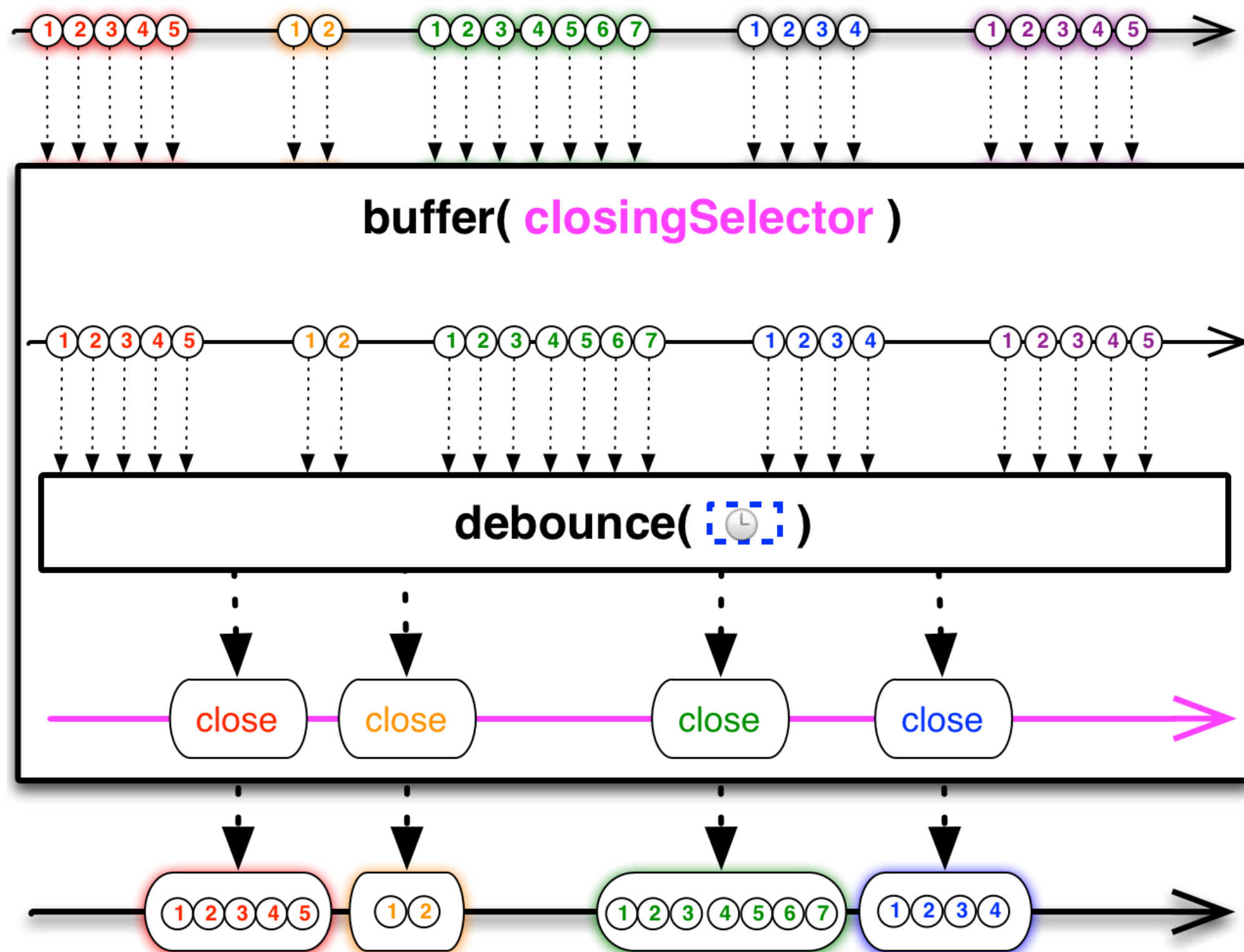
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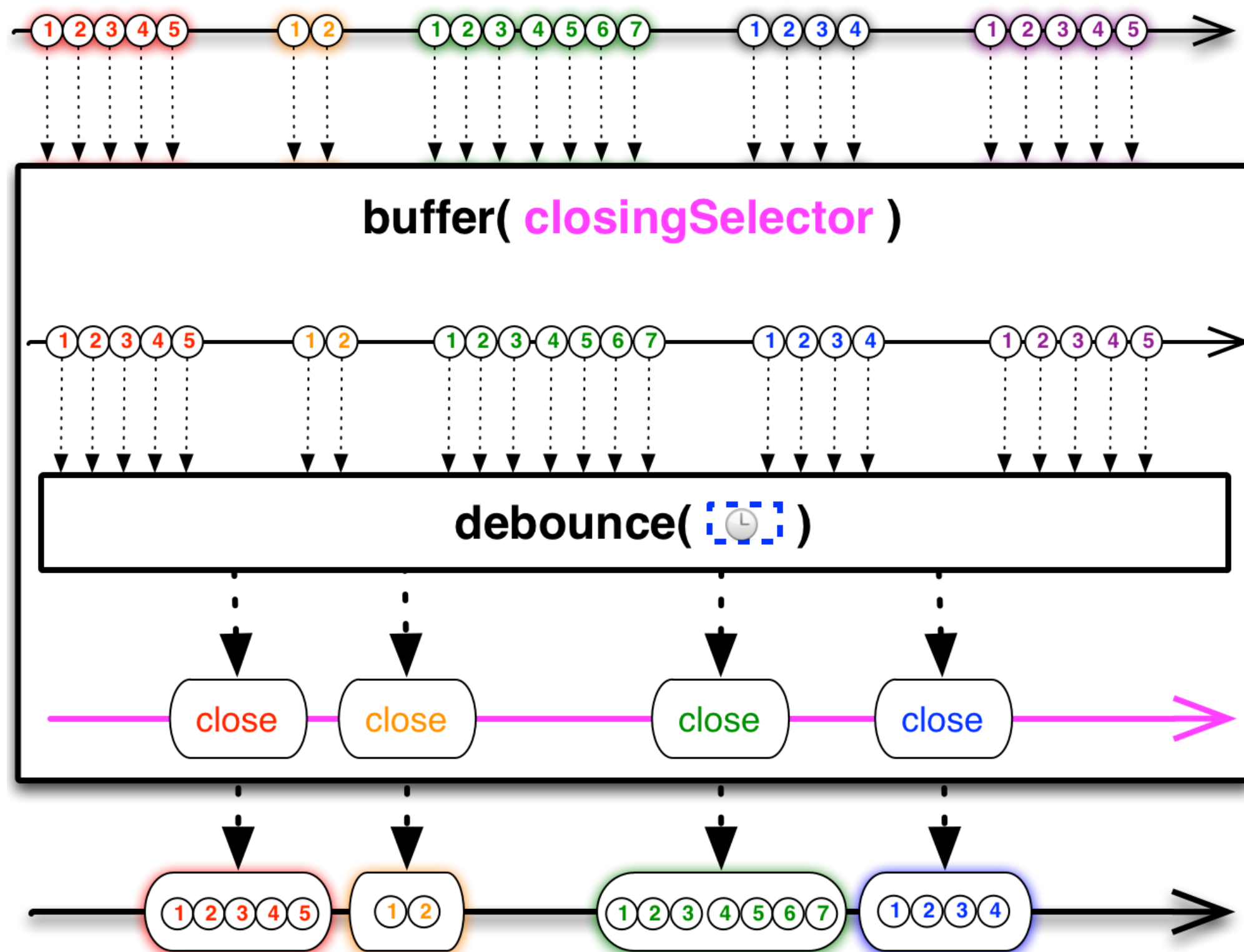
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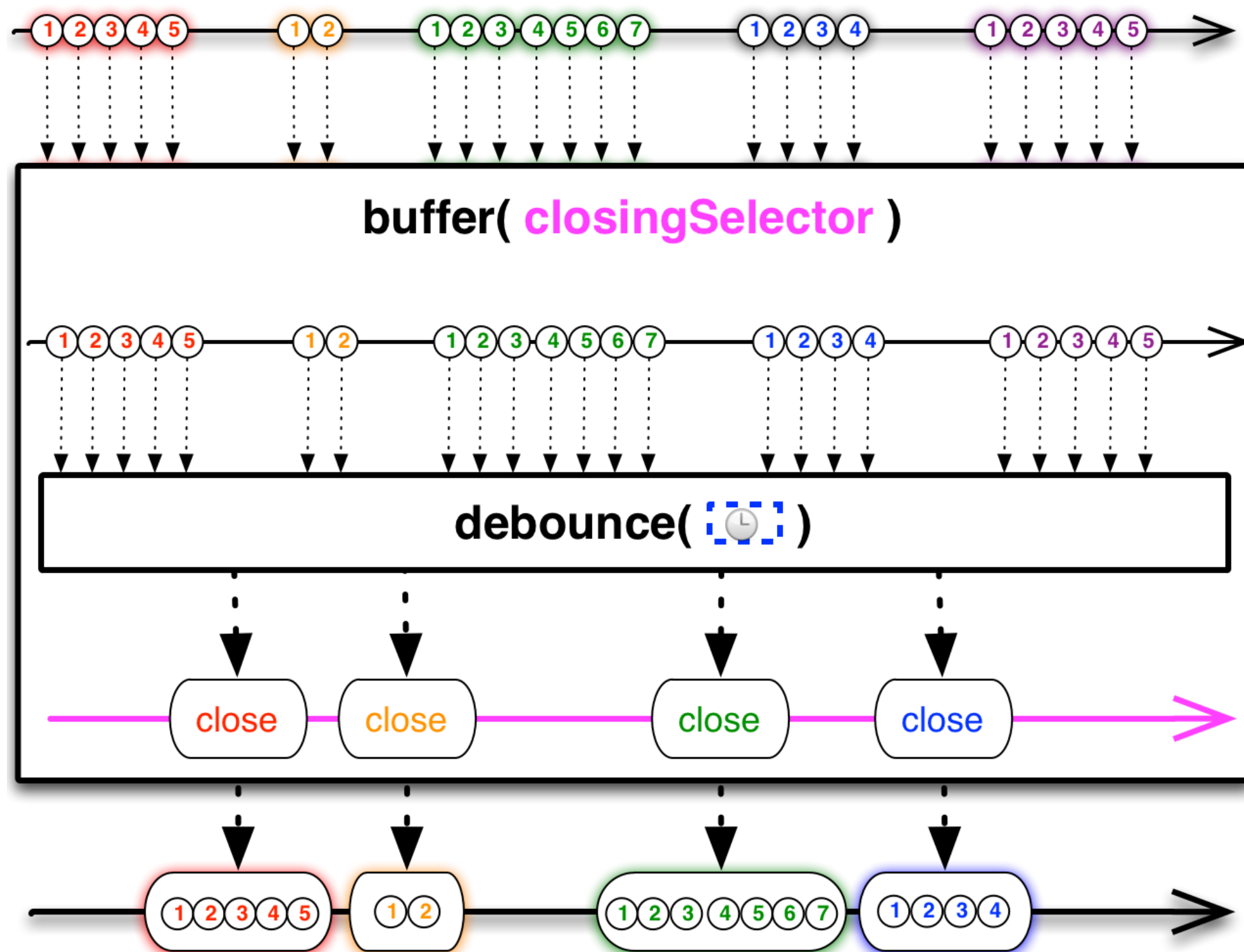
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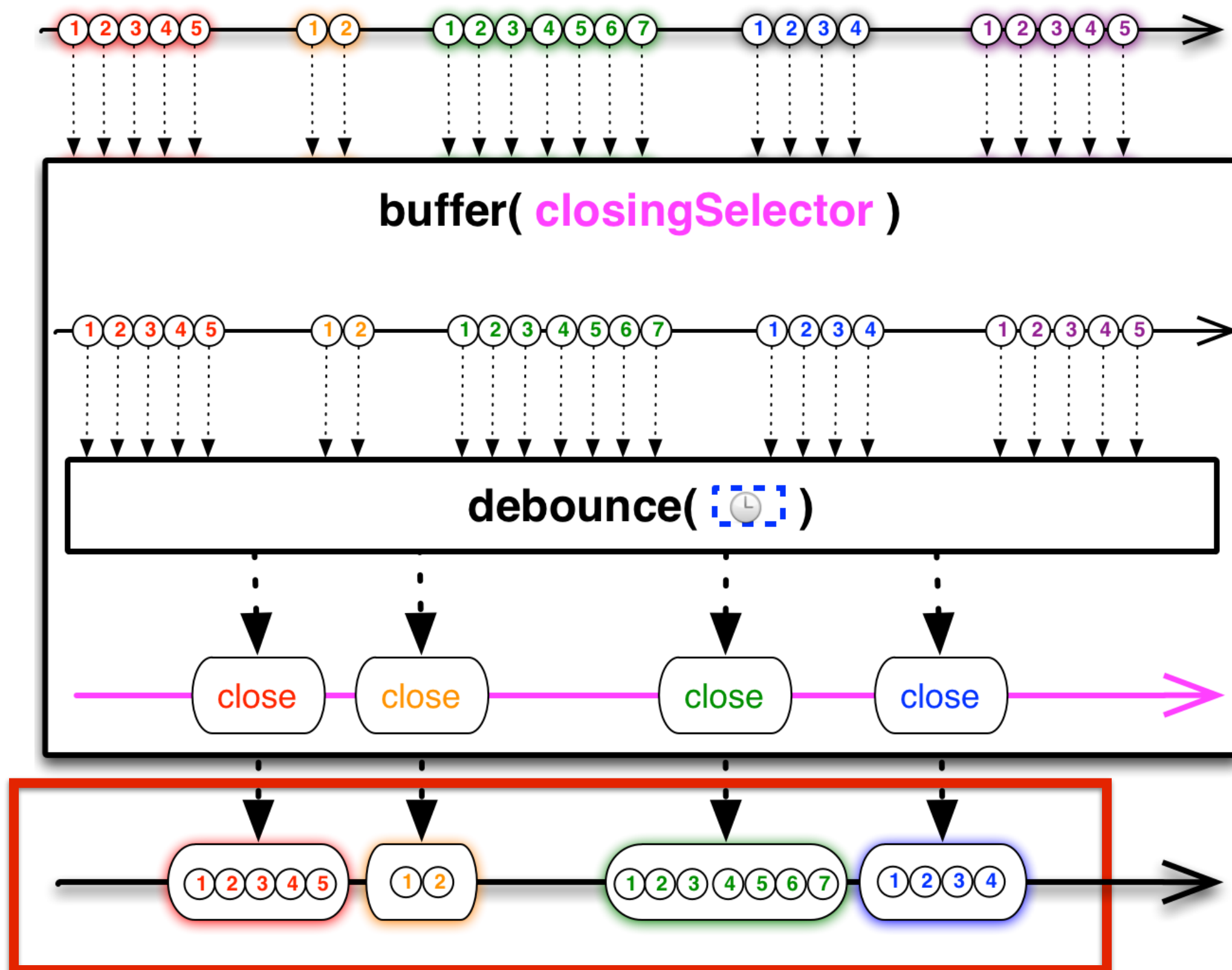
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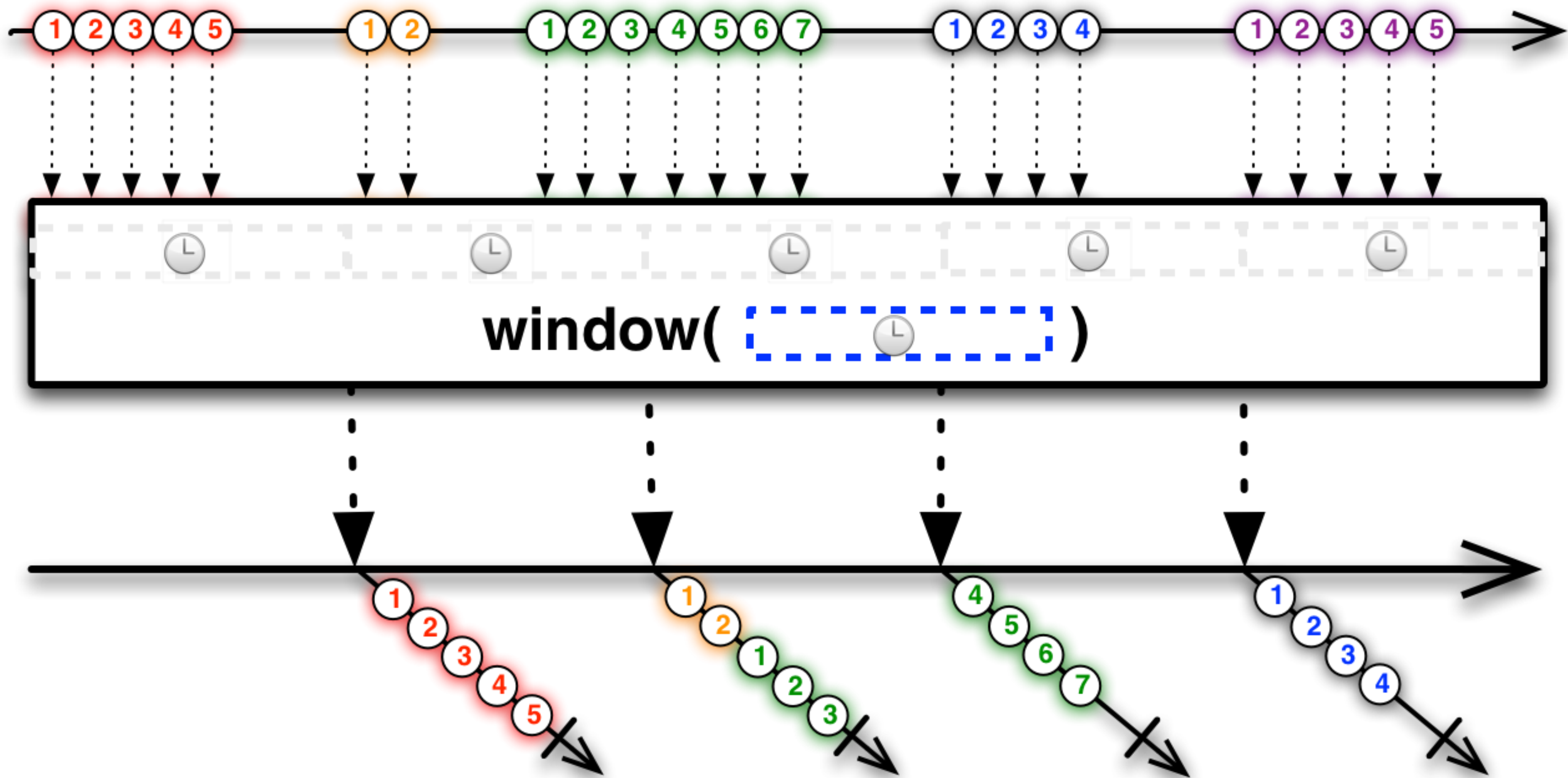
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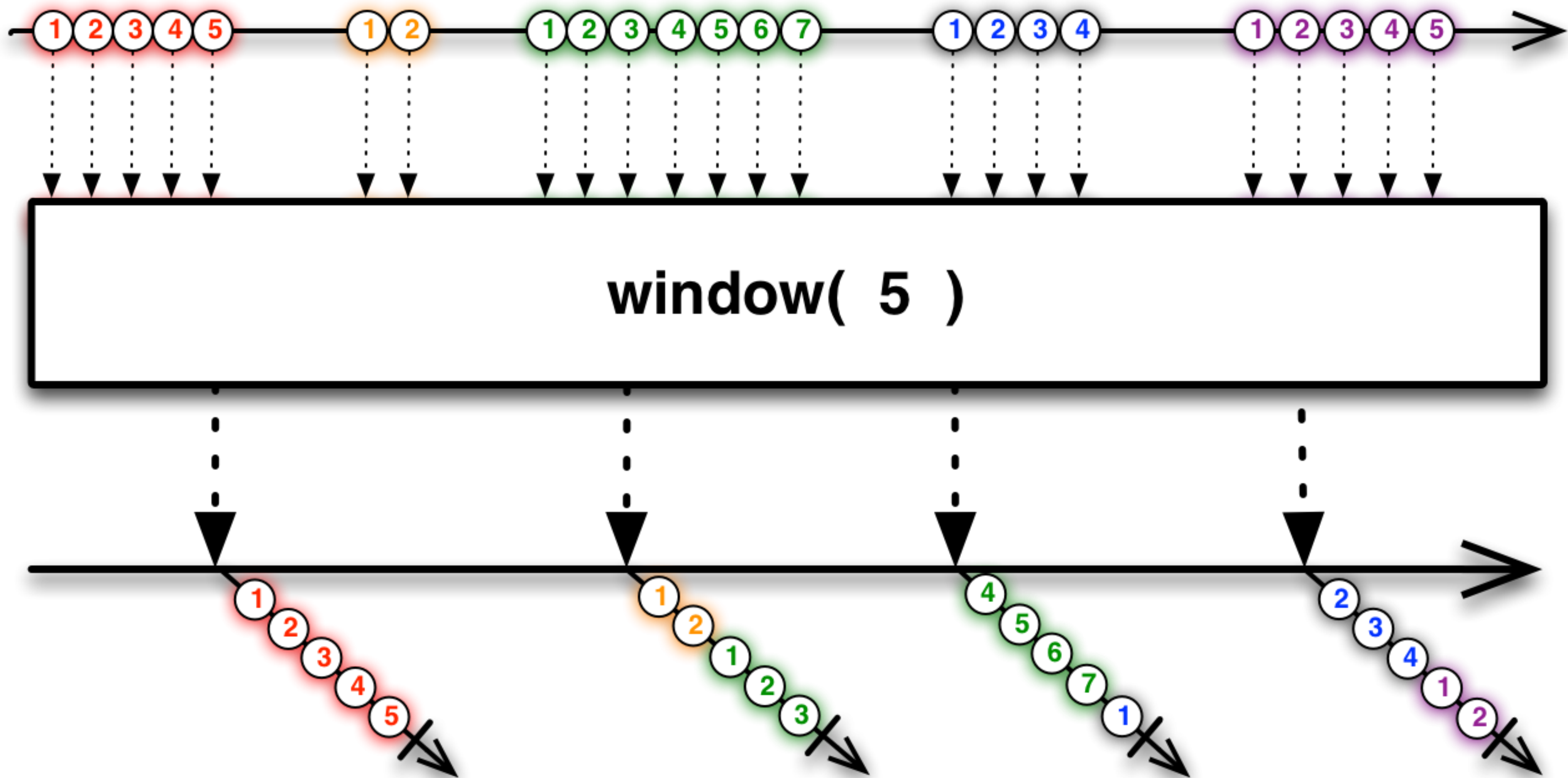
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Observable.range(1, 1000000).window(50, TimeUnit.MILLISECONDS)
    .flatMap(window -> window.count())
    .toBlocking().forEach(count -> System.out.println("num items: " + count));
```

```
num items: 477769
num items: 155463
num items: 366768
```





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Observable.range(1, 1000000).window(500000)
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```

```
num items: 500000
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# **Reactive Pull**

**(dynamic push-pull)**

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# Reactive Pull

hot vs cold

**Reactive Pull**

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*examples*

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**Pull**

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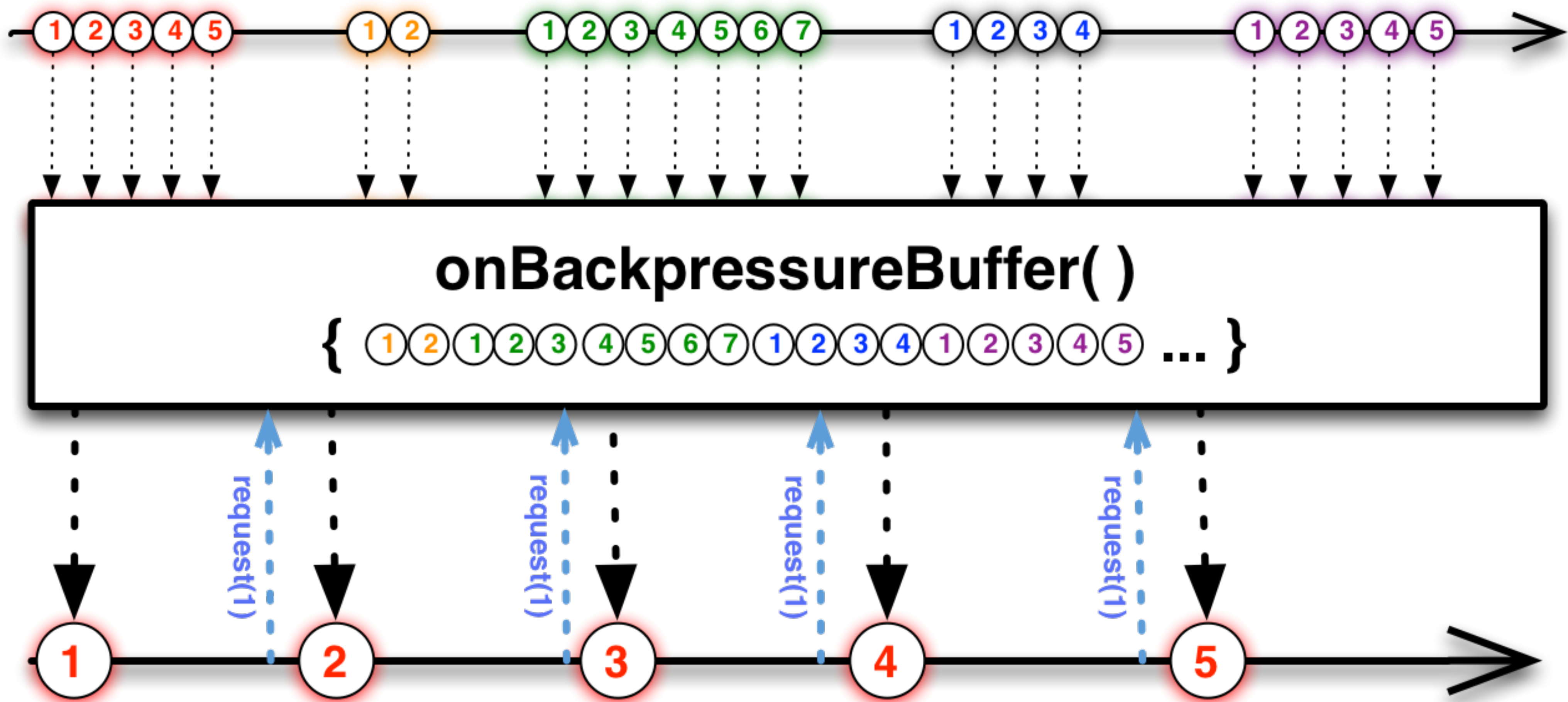
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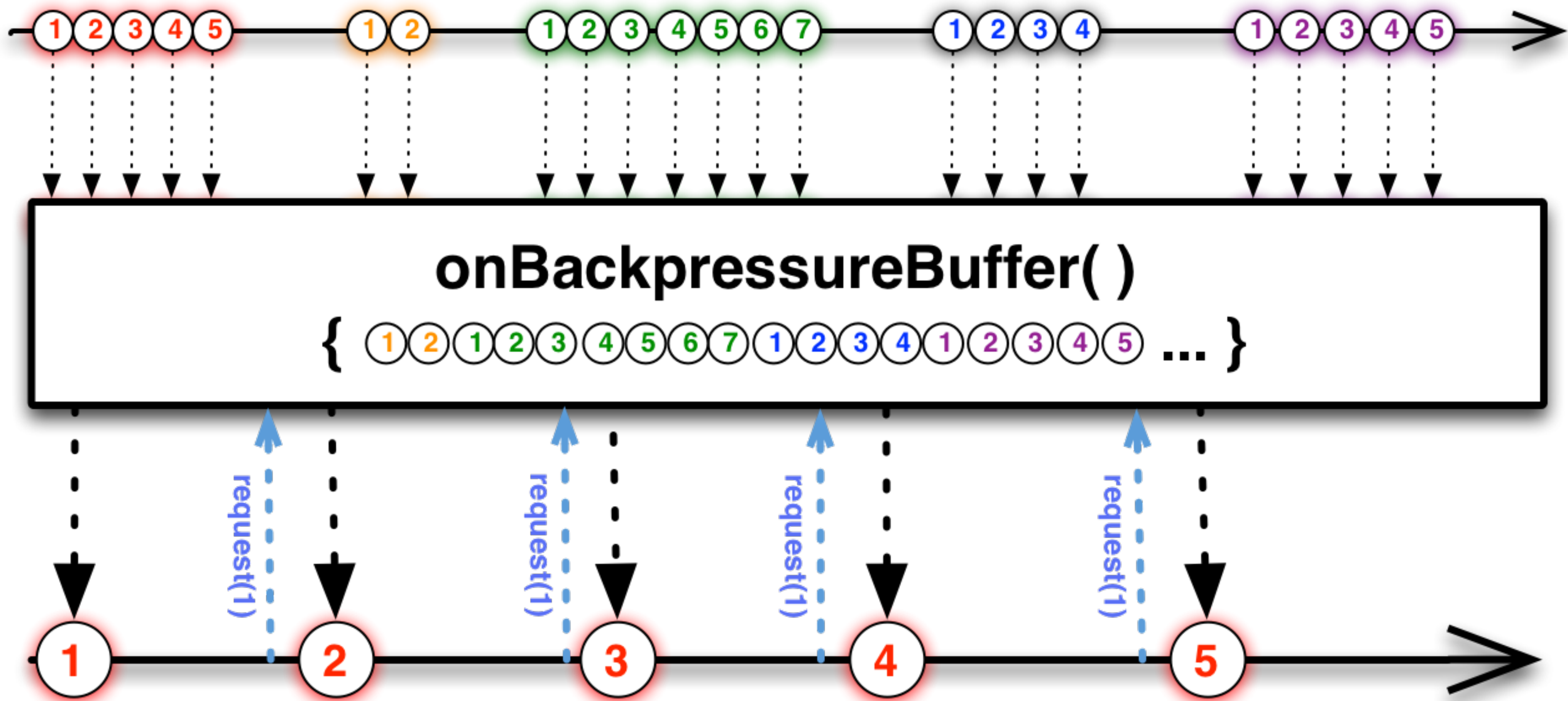
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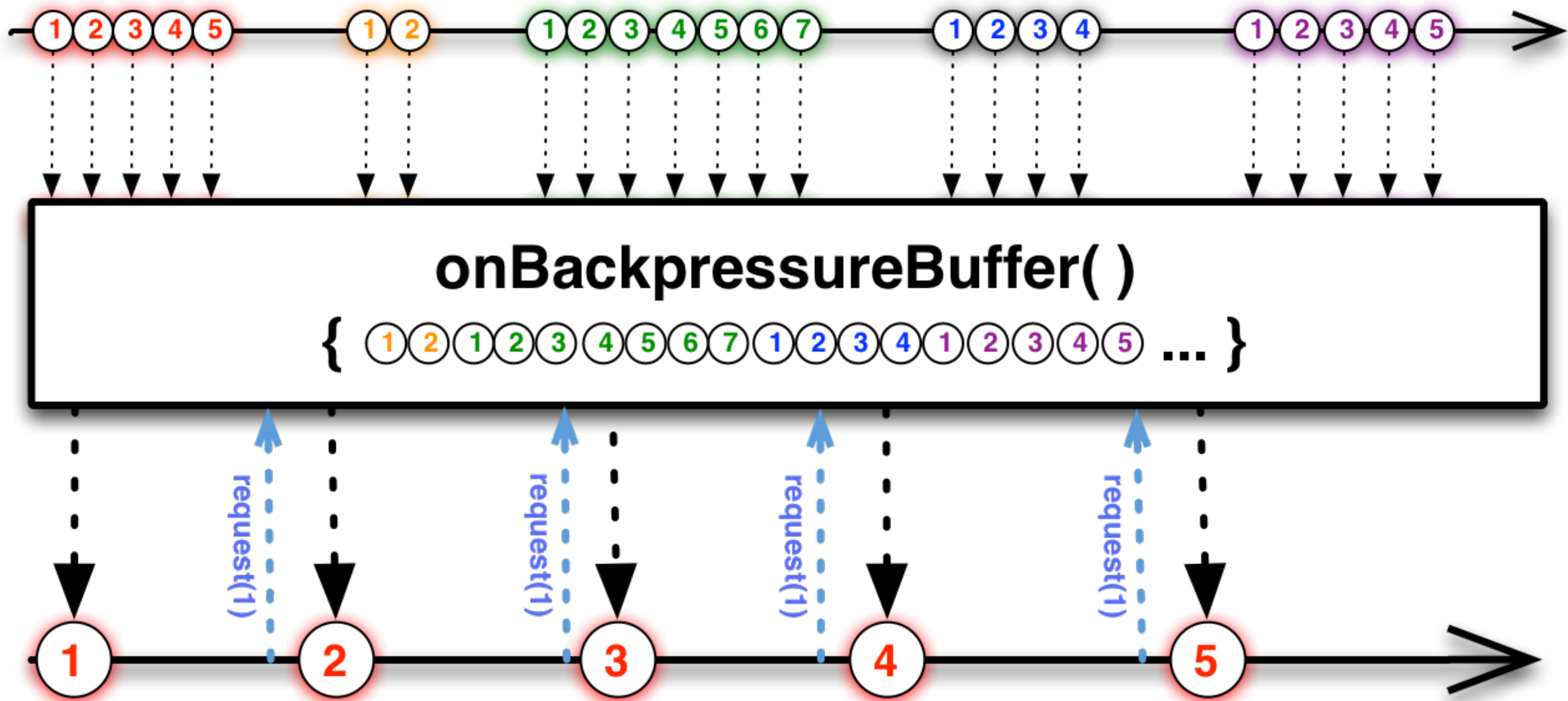
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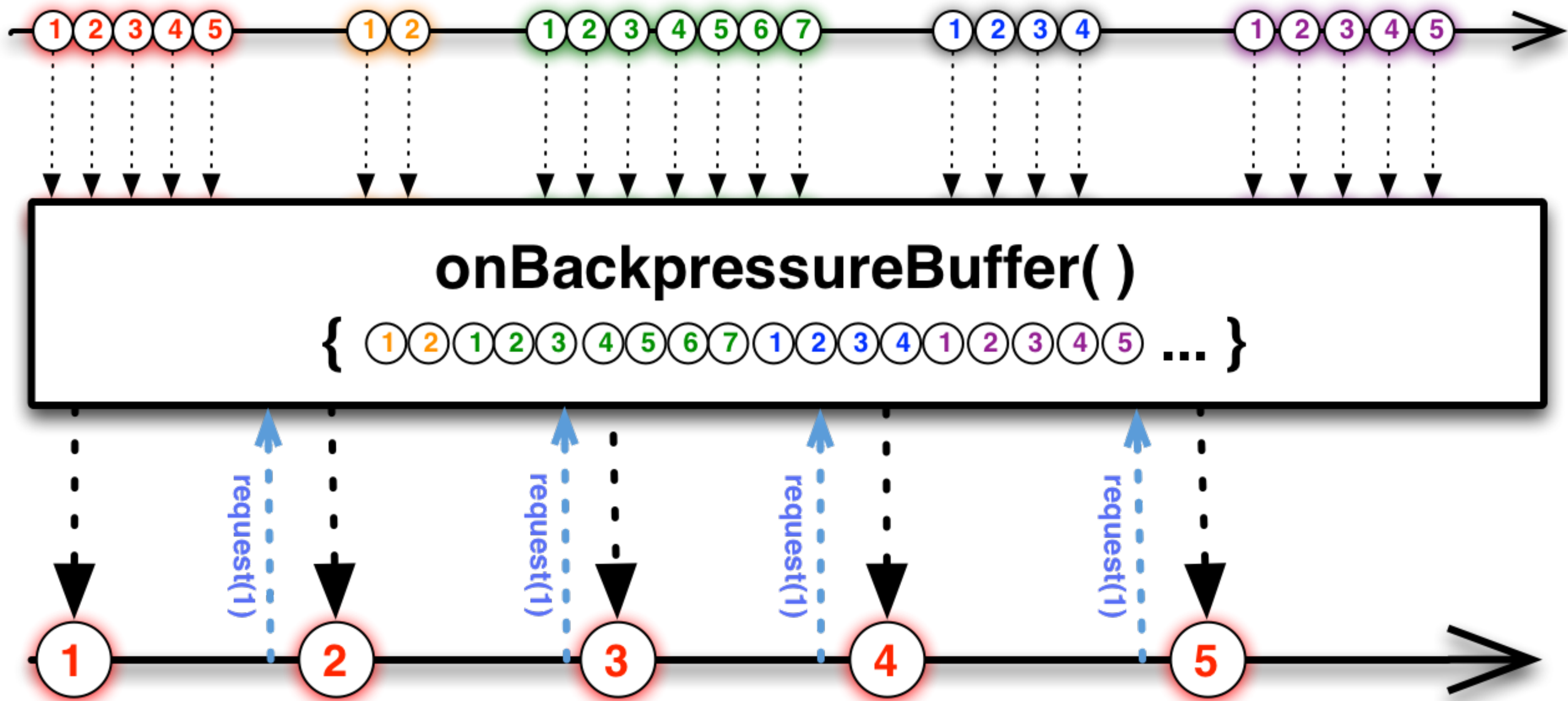


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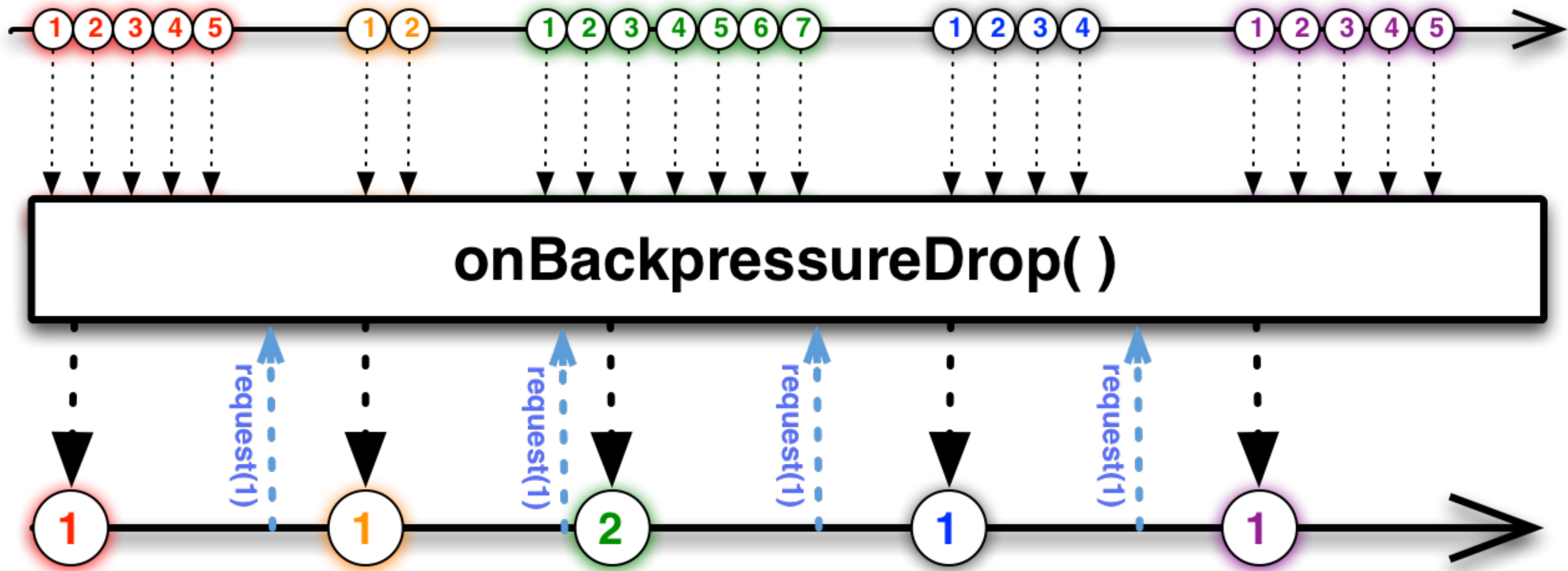
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hotSourceStream.onBackpressureDrop().observeOn(aScheduler);
```

**stream.onBackpressure(*strategy*).subscribe**

# **Hot** Infinite Streams

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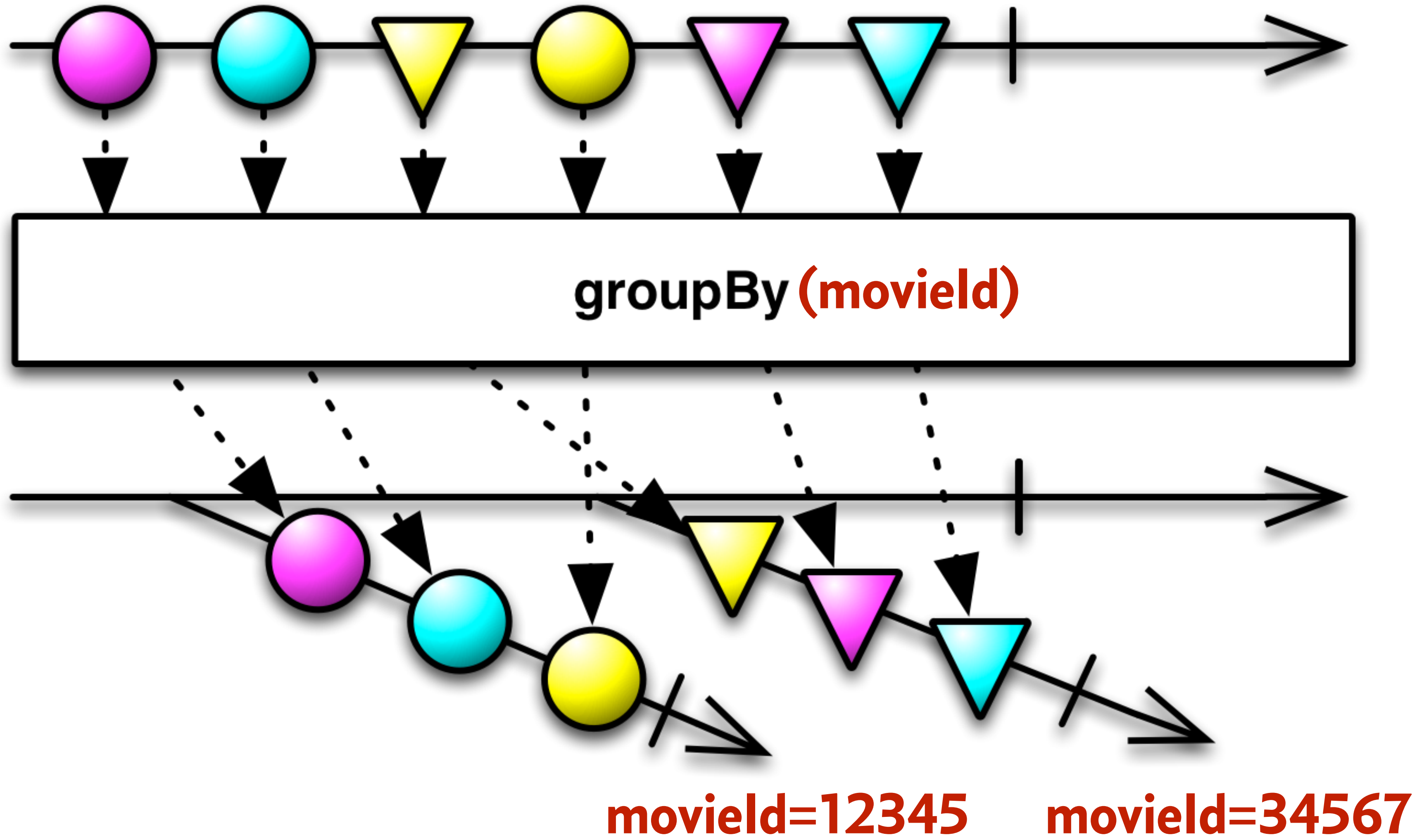
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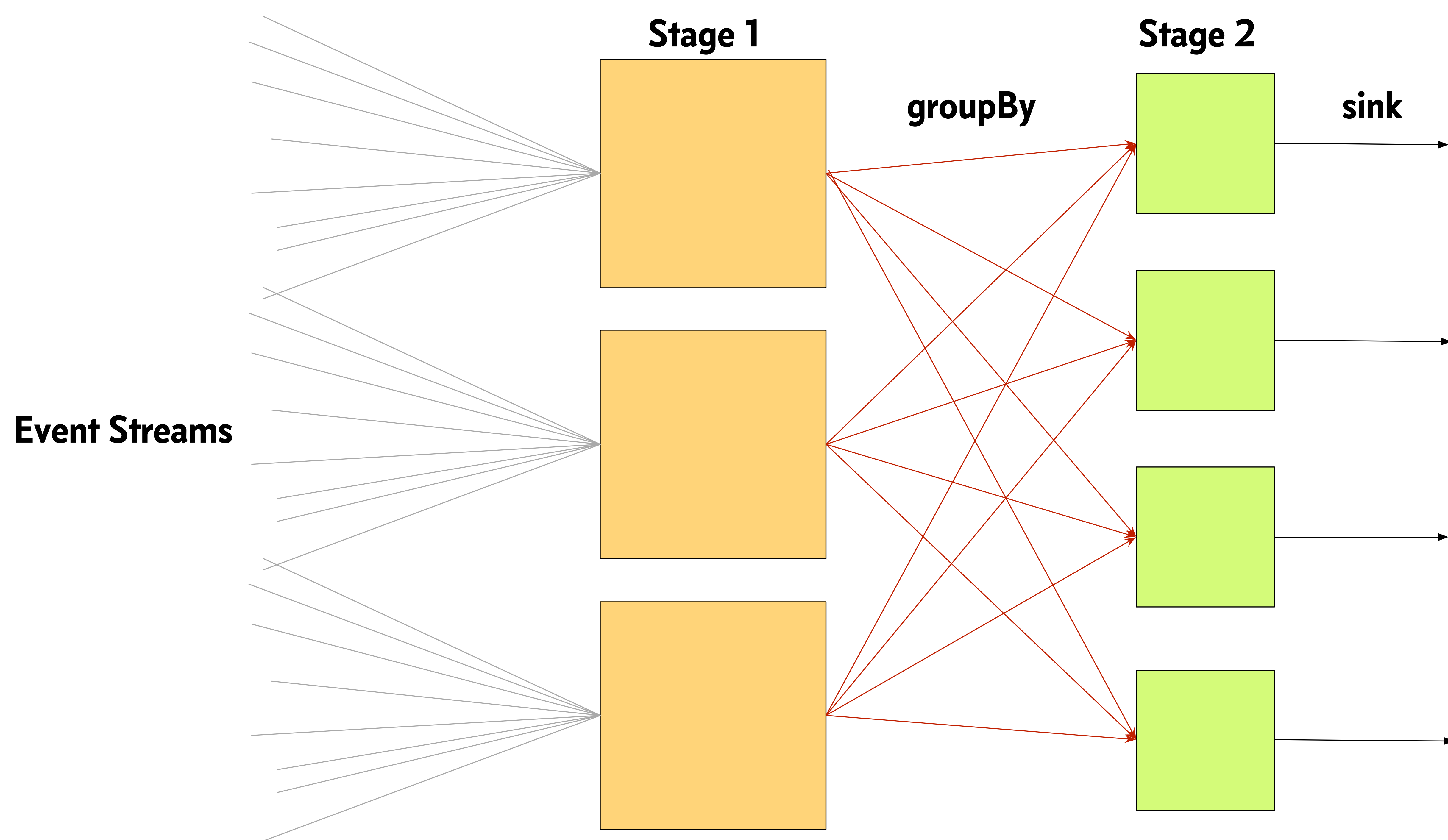


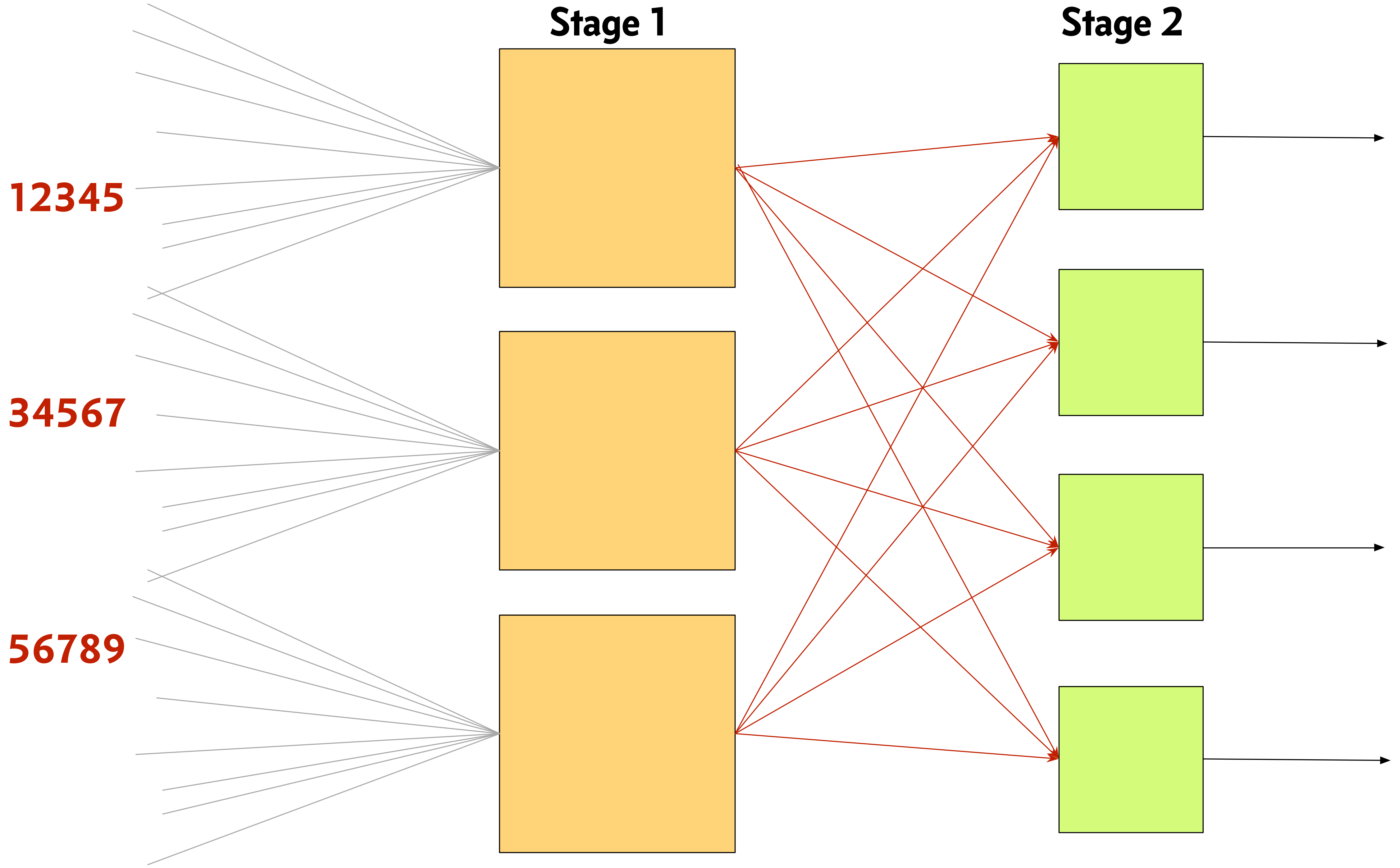


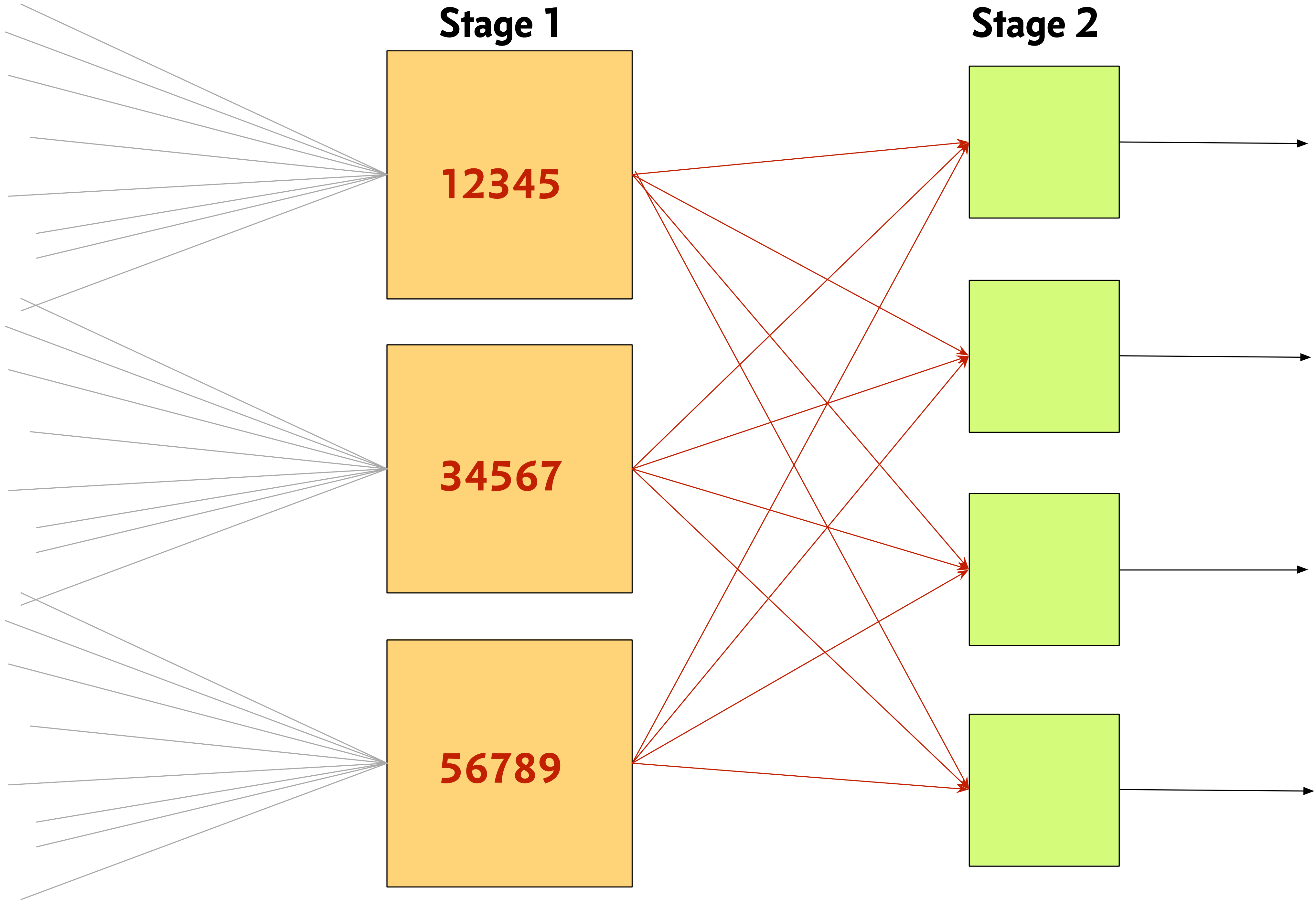
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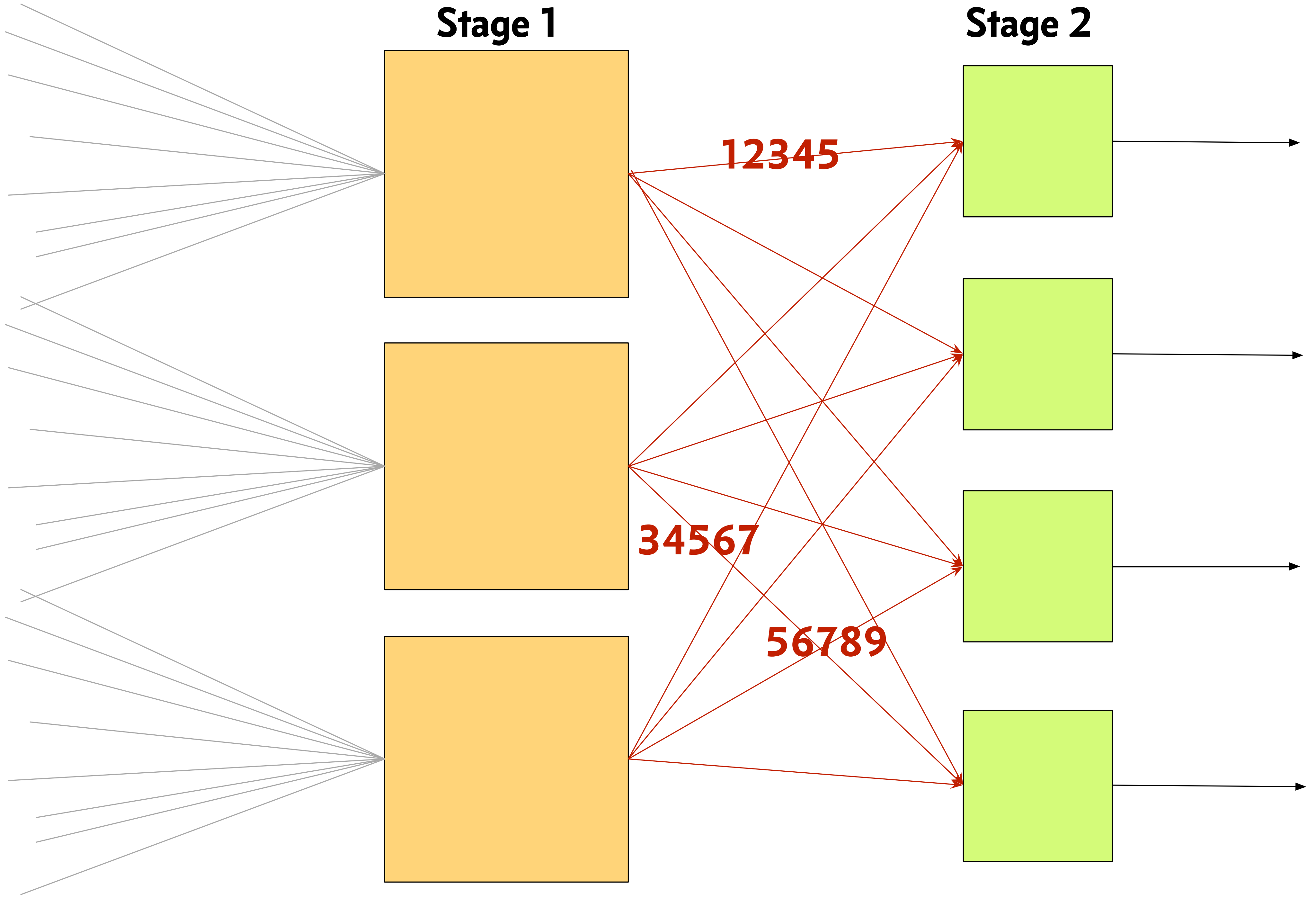
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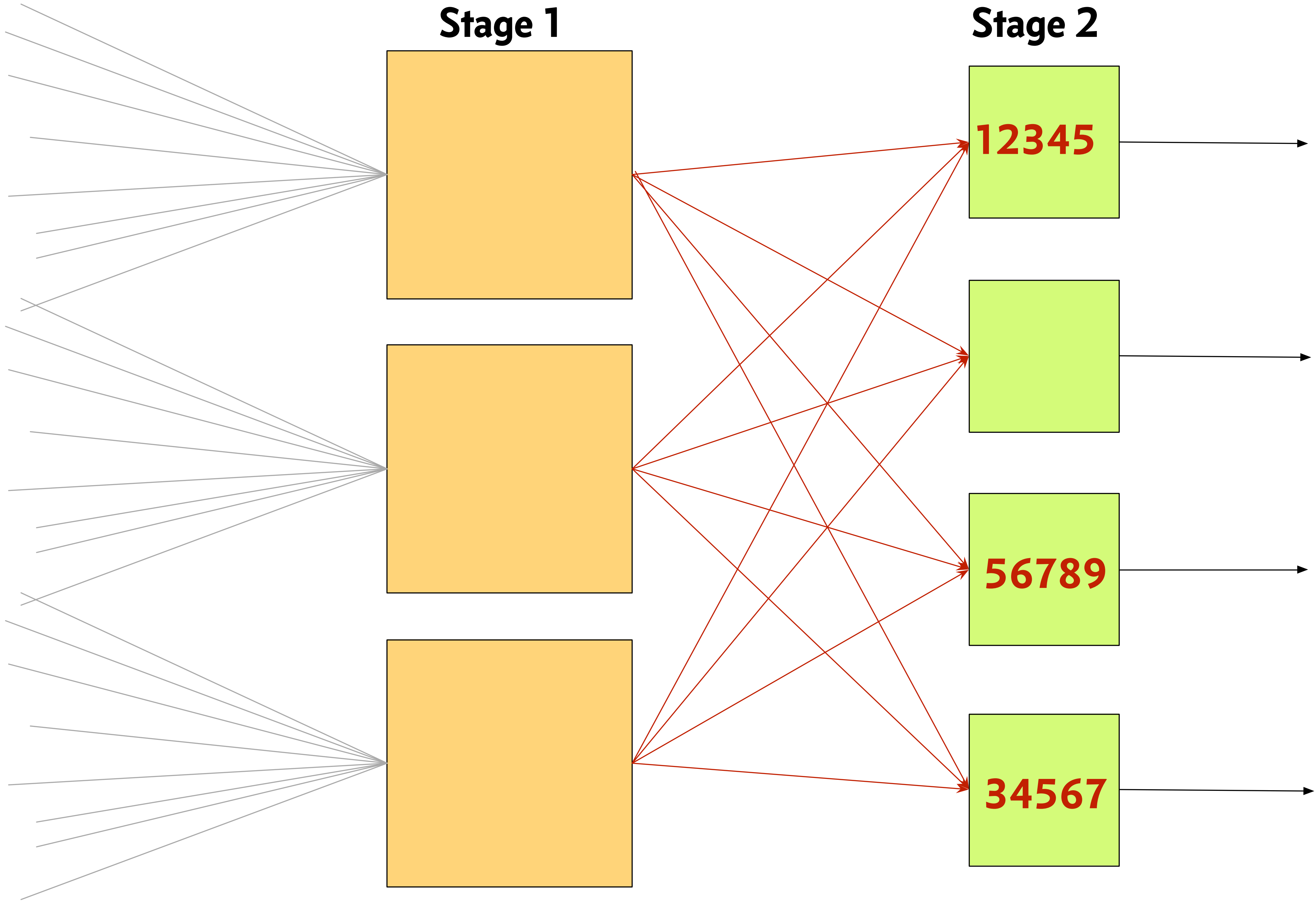














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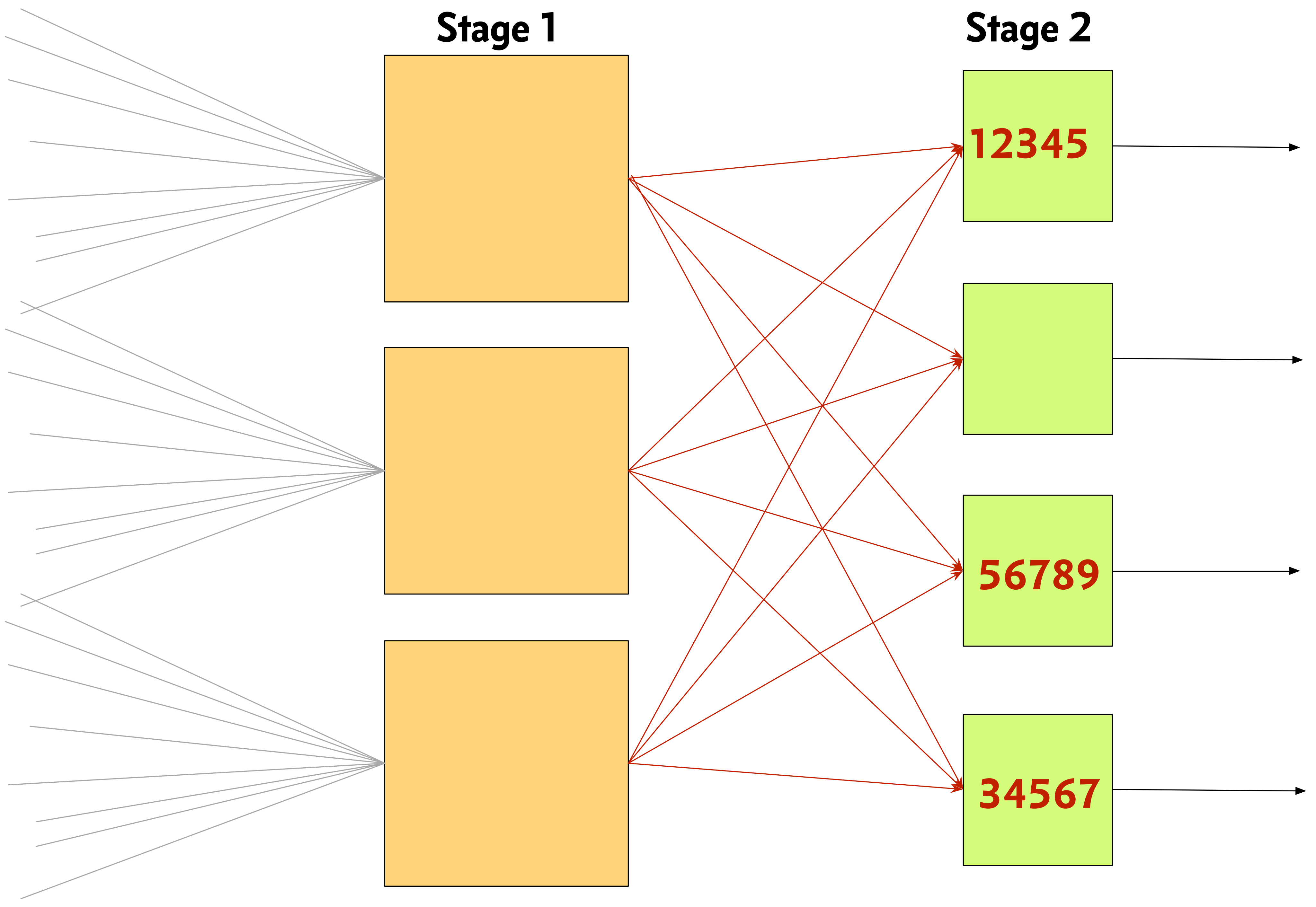
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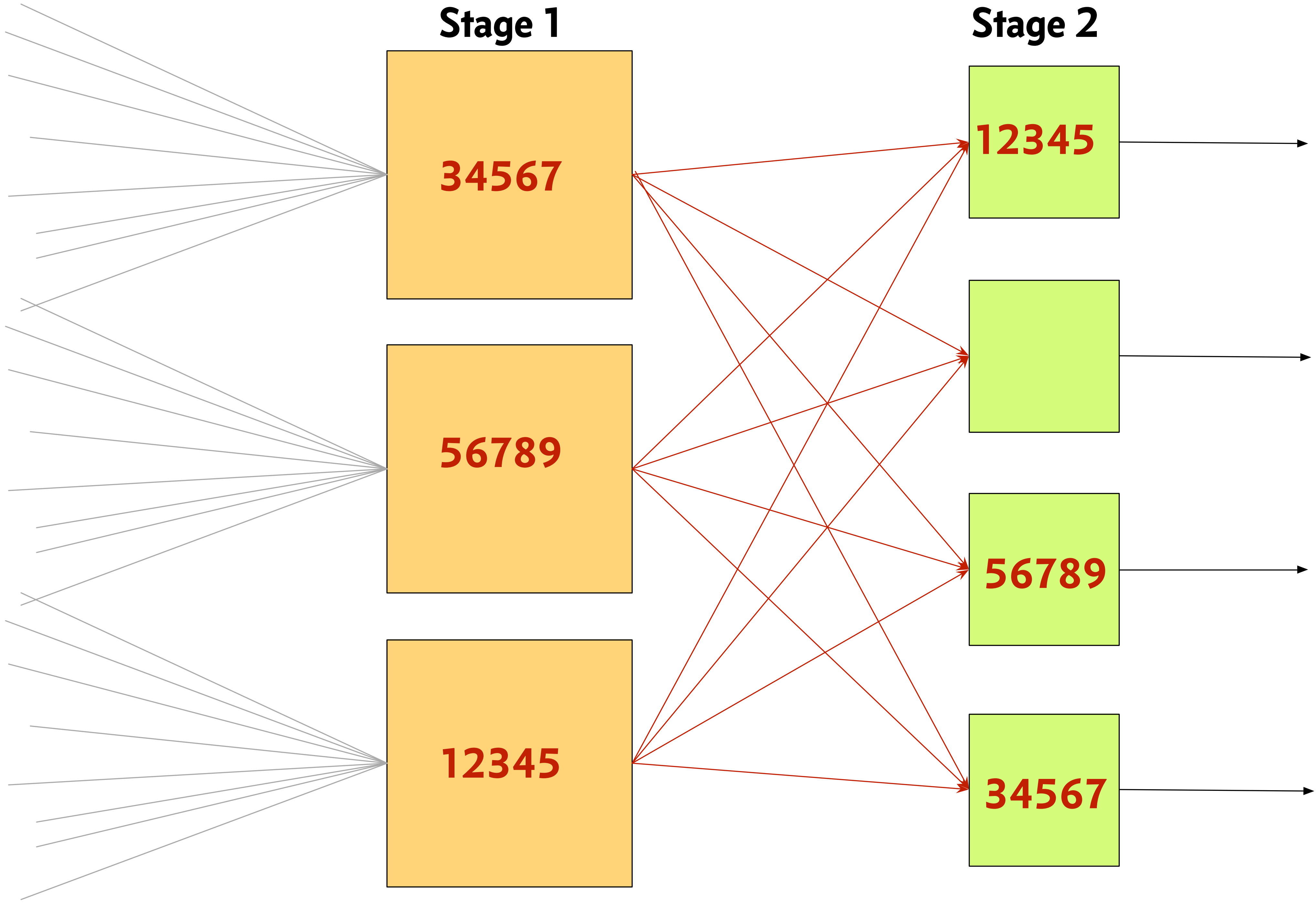
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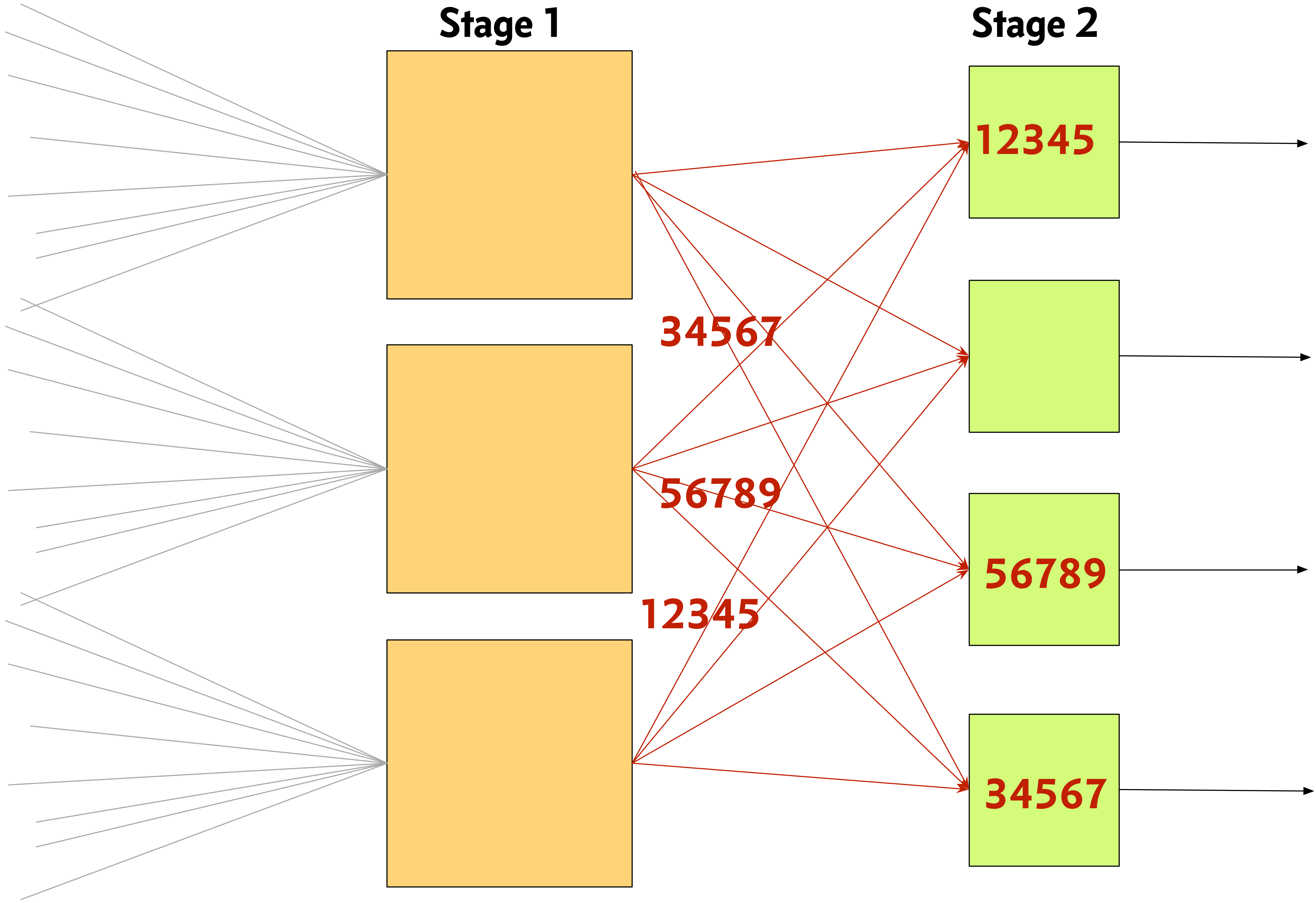
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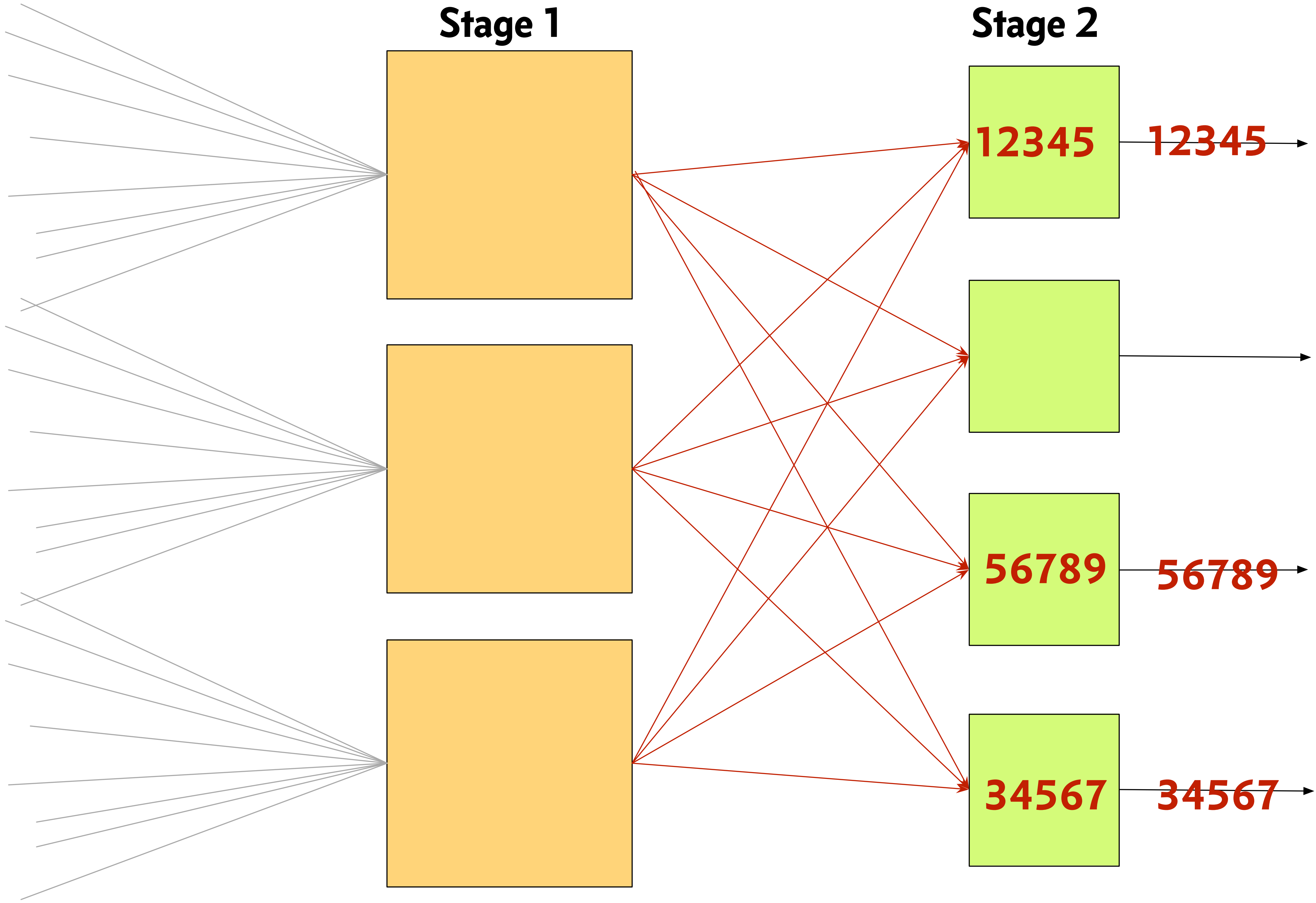
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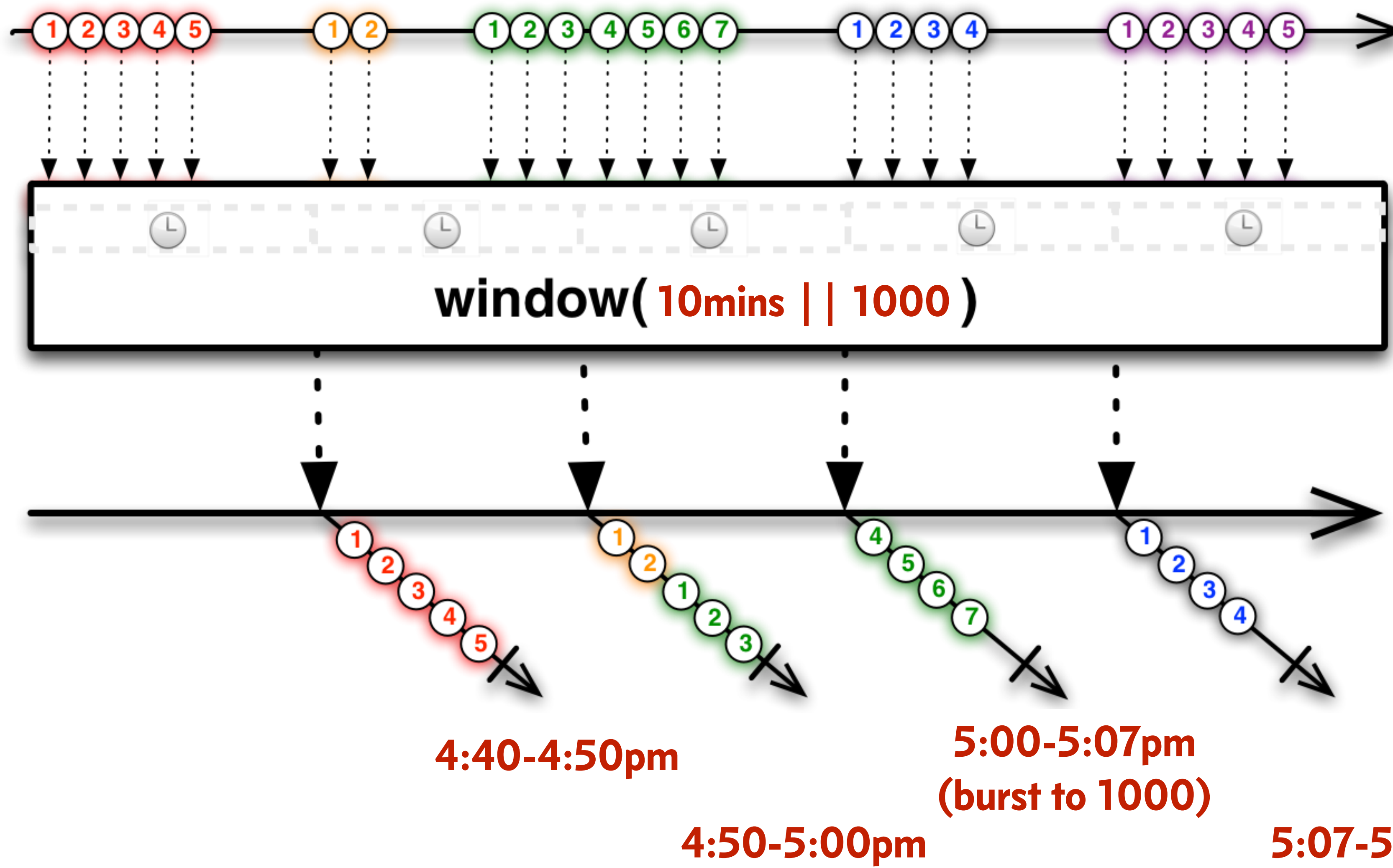


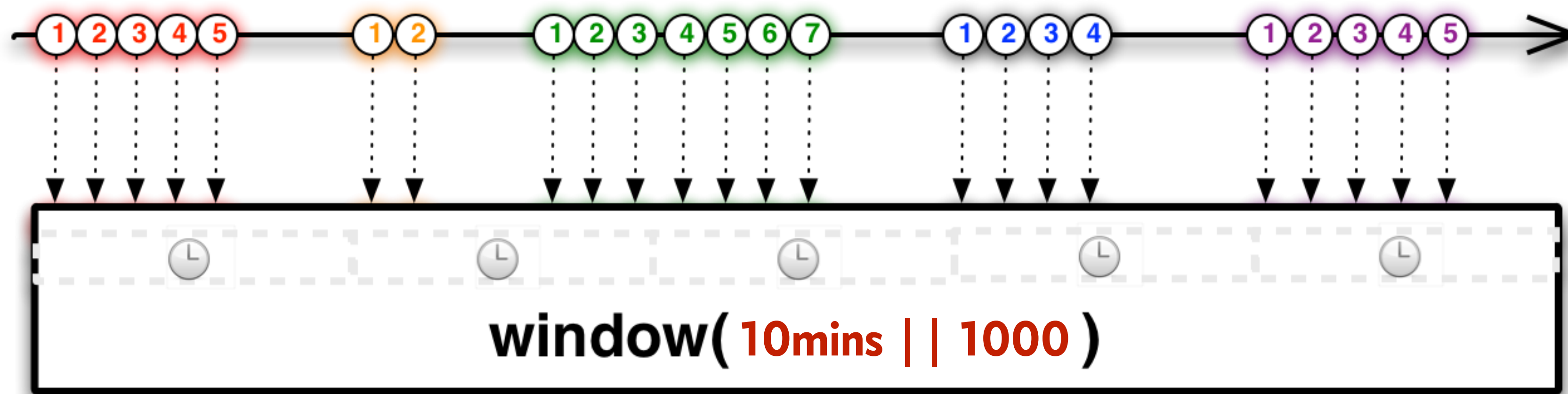




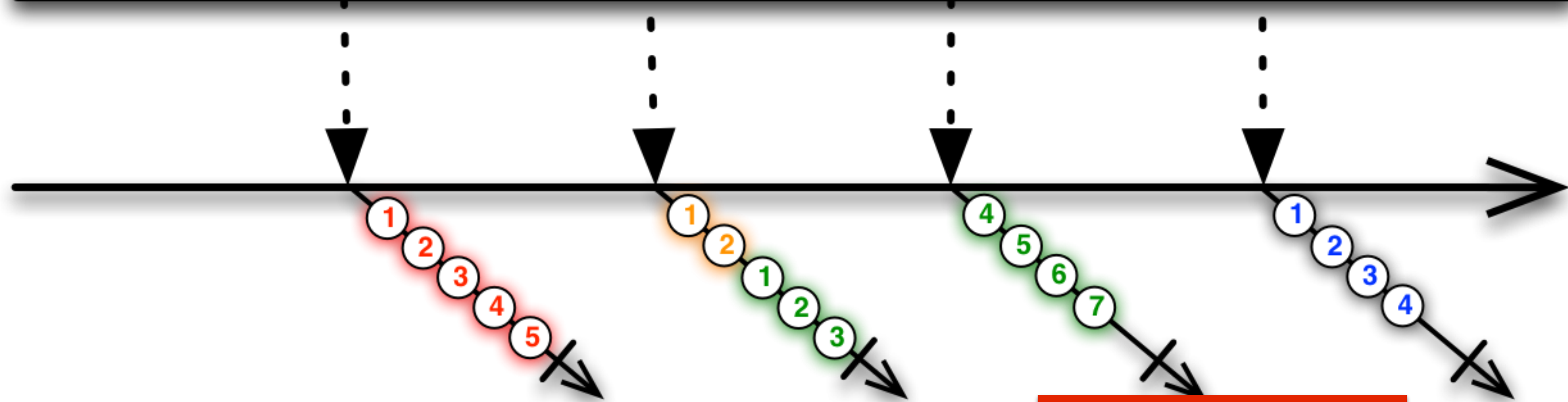
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**window( 10mins || 1000 )**



**4:40-4:50pm**

**4:50-5:00pm**

**5:00-5:07pm  
(burst to 1000)**

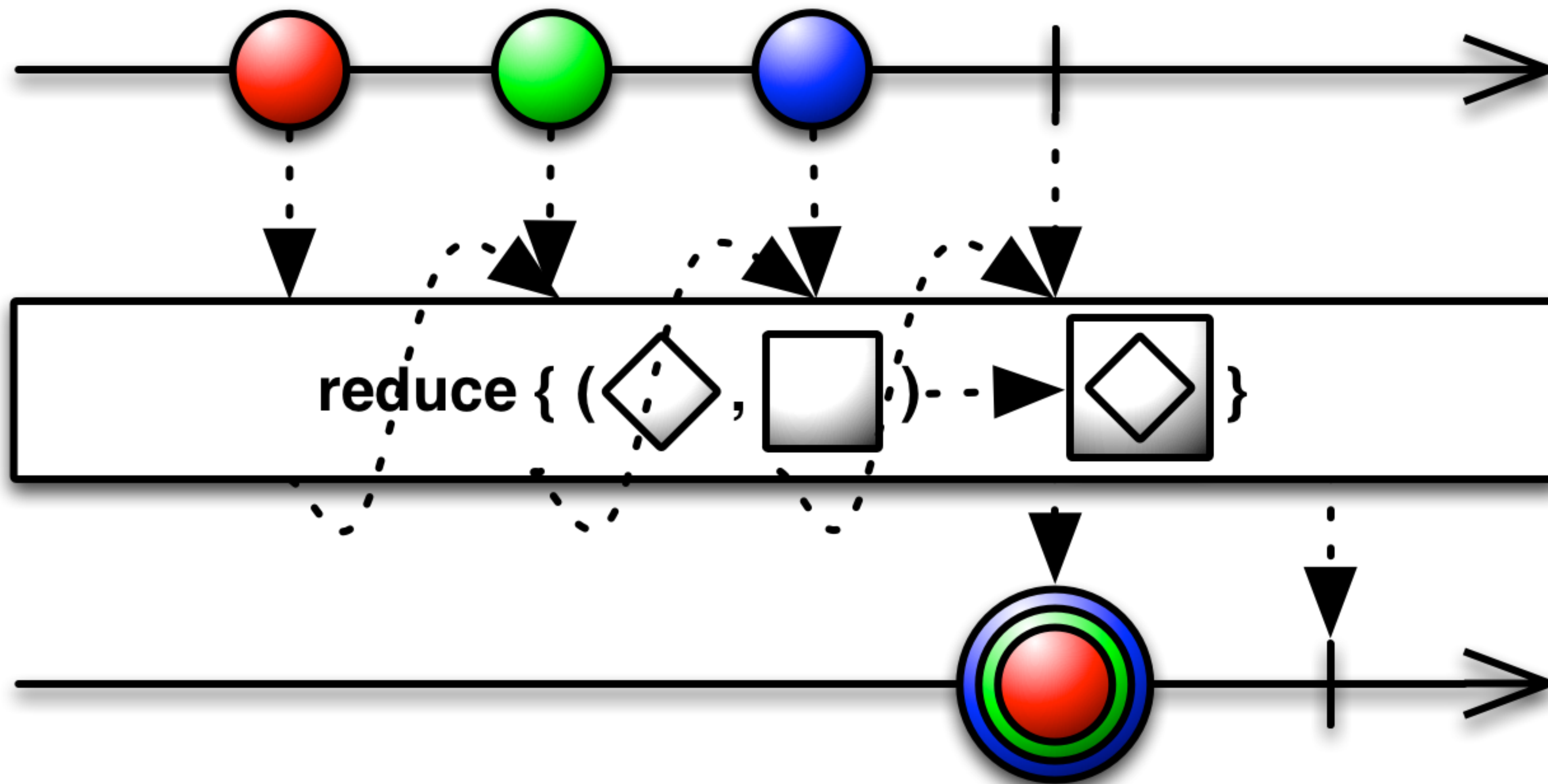
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    Publisher<Integer> groupPublisher = RxReactiveStreams.toPublisher(asyncGroup);
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    Source<String> stringSource = Source.from(groupPublisher).map(i -> i + " " + group.getKey()).take(2000);
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strings.toBlocking().forEach(System.out::println);
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# **Mental Shift**

**imperative → functional**

**sync → async**

**pull → push**



**Concurrency and async are non-trivial.**

**Rx doesn't trivialize it.**

**Rx is powerful and rewards those  
who go through the learning curve.**

	Single	Multiple
Sync	<code>T getData()</code>	<code>Iterable&lt;T&gt; getData()</code> <code>Stream&lt;T&gt; getData()</code>
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# **Abstract Concurrency**

# **Non-Opinionated Concurrency**

**Decouple** Production from Consumption

**Powerful **Composition**  
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**First-class Support of  
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An API for asynchronous programming  
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