

Hotwired Reactive Web Development

How #LowJS can you go?

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status.gallery

Simple information radiator

Healthy (Green)

Ailing (Amber)

Unhealthy (Red)

Google Healthy	Instances 2
Test File Healthy	Instances 1
Cloudflare Healthy	Instances 4
Twitter Healthy	Instances 1

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Motivation

status.gallery

- HTML, CSS
- JS ~12000~~00~~ loc for progressive enhancement
(could be less in a better world)
- Bootstrap, Hotwire
- SpringBoot, WebFlux, ThymeLeaf
- Kotlin Coroutines, Kotlin Flows.

Motivation

**A slick,
lightweight
"frontend"**

Motivation

**Embrace the browser,
using the principles of a
Resource-Oriented Client
Architecture**

<https://roca-style.org>

Motivation

Multi-channel
Low-latency
Highly concurrent
Asynchronous
On-demand
Responsive
Accessible
Testable
Only-what's-needed
Server-pushable
Simple

Background

Simple != Easy

- Essential for reliability
- Aids in understanding
 - Problem domain
 - Solution
 - Technical underpinnings
- More accurate (and almost always faster) diagnosis of issues
- More precise (and often faster) changes (fewer "unintended consequences").



Background

**No data*
from server
to browser**

Background

Dynamic HTML

Background

AJAX

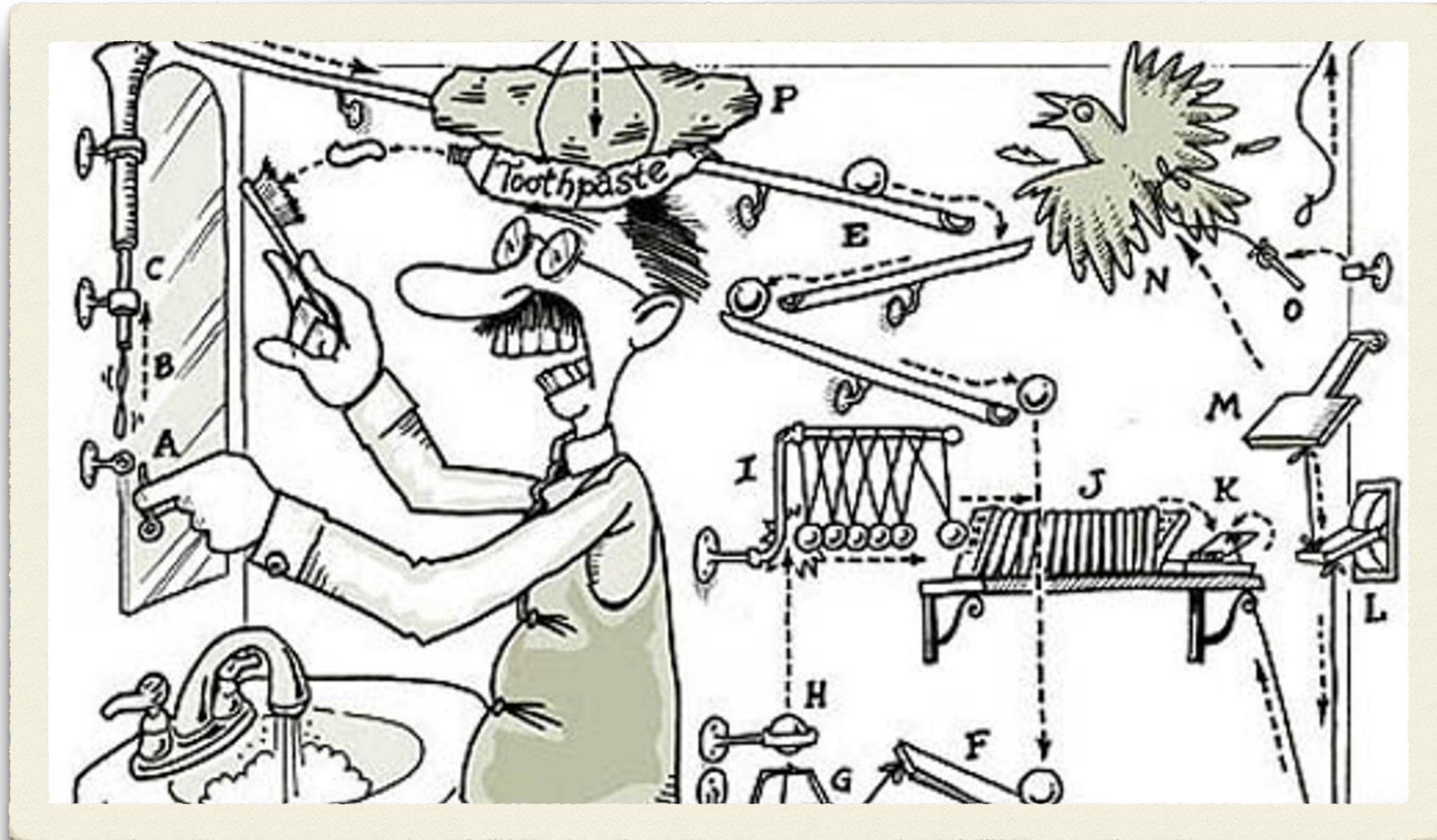
Background

XML + XSLT

Background

JSON

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The web-native way of distributing logic

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Client

Presentation

Server

Process Flow

Domain Logic

Data

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- > Logic & state machine on server
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#LowJS

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Some #LowJS toolkits

- [htmx](https://htmx.org) htmx.org (née intercooler.js)
- Hotwire hotwired.dev
 - Turbo – responsiveness, components, streaming updates
 - Stimulus – HTML-centric state and wiring with "a dash of custom code"
 - Strada – progressively enhance web interactions with native replacements

Hotwire is an alternative approach to building modern web applications without using much JavaScript by sending HTML instead of JSON over the wire.

HTML over the wire

Hotwire

Wait. HTML as a data transfer format ?!?

[after making a good case to do so]

But we all know... you would never use HTML...

Just wait a year... maybe it'll be the thing of the future.

— Stefan Tilkov, GOTO 2014

Hotwire

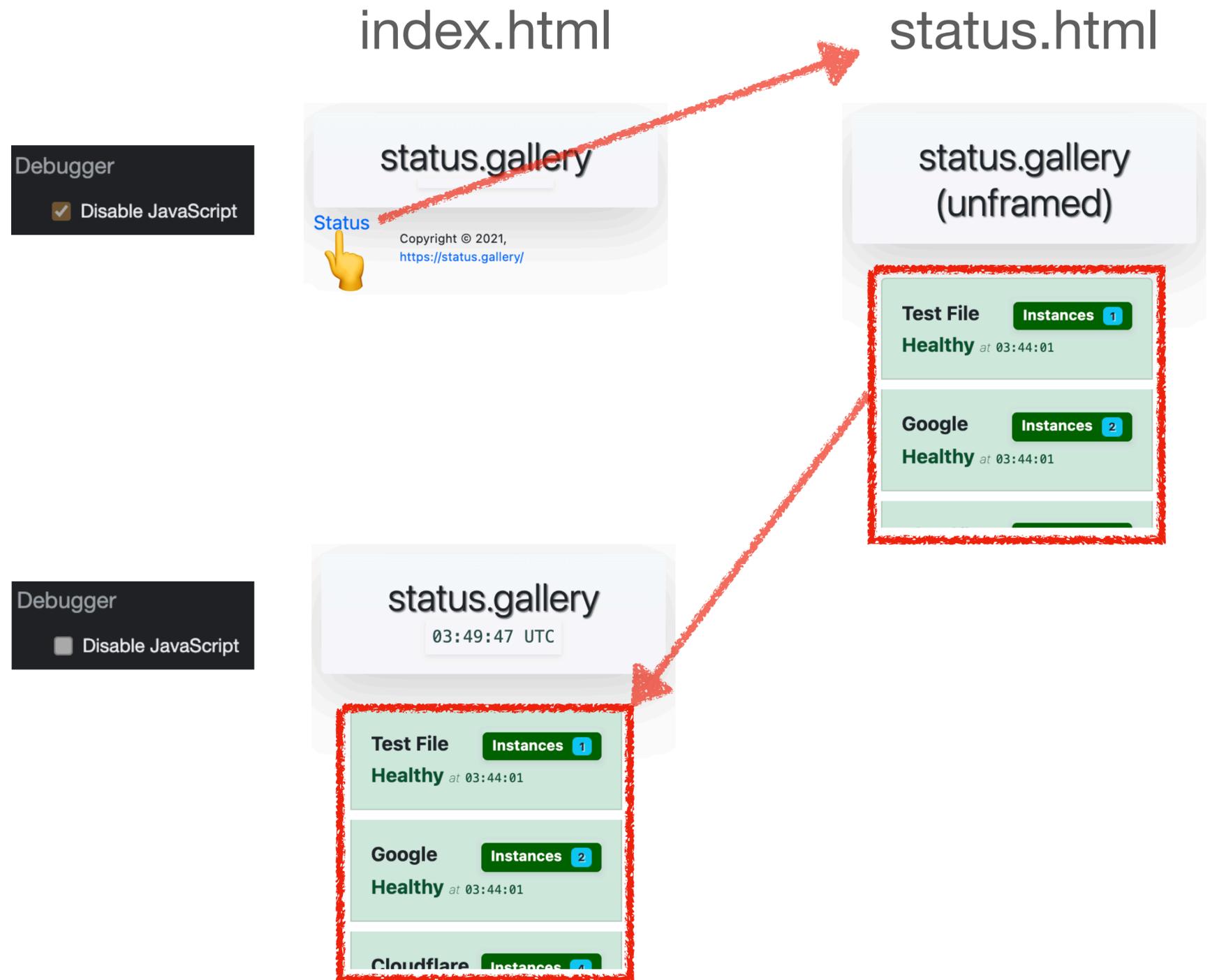
Benefits

- Fast first-load pages
- Keeps logic on the server
- A simpler, more productive development experience in any programming language
- Without sacrificing any of the speed or responsiveness associated with a Single Page Application.

Hotwire: Turbo Frames

Transclusion

- If JS is not available, a regular navigation takes place
- Thus the transcluded resource should be well-formed HTML
- Otherwise, a fragment of the second page is used to update a portion of the first page
- Automatically transclude with a `click()` instruction.



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12. <body>
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14.     <div class="display-4 text-center text-shadow">status.gallery</div>
15.     <div class="mx-auto small font-monospace text-center shadow-sm p-1" style="width: 8em">
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Hotwire: Turbo Streams

WebSocket, Server-Sent Events, form submission

- HTML (fragments)
- In lieu of XML or JSON
- DOM directly updated (by Turbo library)
- Only DOM updates
- Use Stimulus for sprinkling of JS, e.g. reset form fields after response received
- Work smoothly with Thymeleaf / Spring integration's `ReactiveDataDriverContextVariable` and reactive collections (e.g. a Flux or a Flow)
- I prefer SSE.

status.js

```
1. // #ProgressiveEnhancement
2. (window['EventSource'] && window['Turbo']) ?
3.   Turbo.connectStreamSource(new EventSource('/status.stream')) :
4.   console.warn('Turbo Streams over SSE not available');
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StatusController.kt

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1. @FlowPreview
2. @ExperimentalTime
3. @Controller
4. internal class StatusController @Autowired constructor(private val supervisor: ObserveeSupervisor) {
5.
6.     @GetMapping("/status", produces = [MediaType.TEXT_HTML_VALUE])
7.     suspend fun index(model: Model): String {
8.         val observees = ObserveeInfo.from(supervisor.observeeHealthFlows)
9.         model.addAttribute("observees", observees)
10.        return "status"
11.    }
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13.    @GetMapping("/status.stream", produces = [MediaType.TEXT_EVENT_STREAM_VALUE, CustomMediaType.TURBO_STREAM_VALUE])
14.    suspend fun stream(model: Model): String {
15.        val observees = ObserveeInfo.from(supervisor.observeeHealthFlows.asFlow())
16.        model.addAttribute("observees", dataDrivenEach(observees))
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1	message	<turbo-stream action="replace" target="observee868023820"> <template> <li class="my-1 py-3 d-flex list-group-item list-group-item-success" id="observee868023820"> <div class="container"> <div class="r
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observee-status-li.html

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8     <div class="col-auto px-0 shadow-sm">
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19       data-th-data-bounce="{timestampBounce}" data-th-datetime="{timestamp}"
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Healthy at 07:49:32

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Spring WebFlux

Reactive web stack

- Asynchronous, non-blocking, reactive back-pressure
- Concurrency with a small number of threads
- Scale with fewer hardware resources
- Functional programming model (Java 8+)
- Adapts to various Reactive Streams (Java 9+) libraries and Coroutines (Kotlin).

Kotlin Coroutines & Kotlin Flows

My name is not “Brian Goetz”, “Doug Lea”, “Erik Meijer”, “Viktor Klang”, “Jonas Boner”, ...

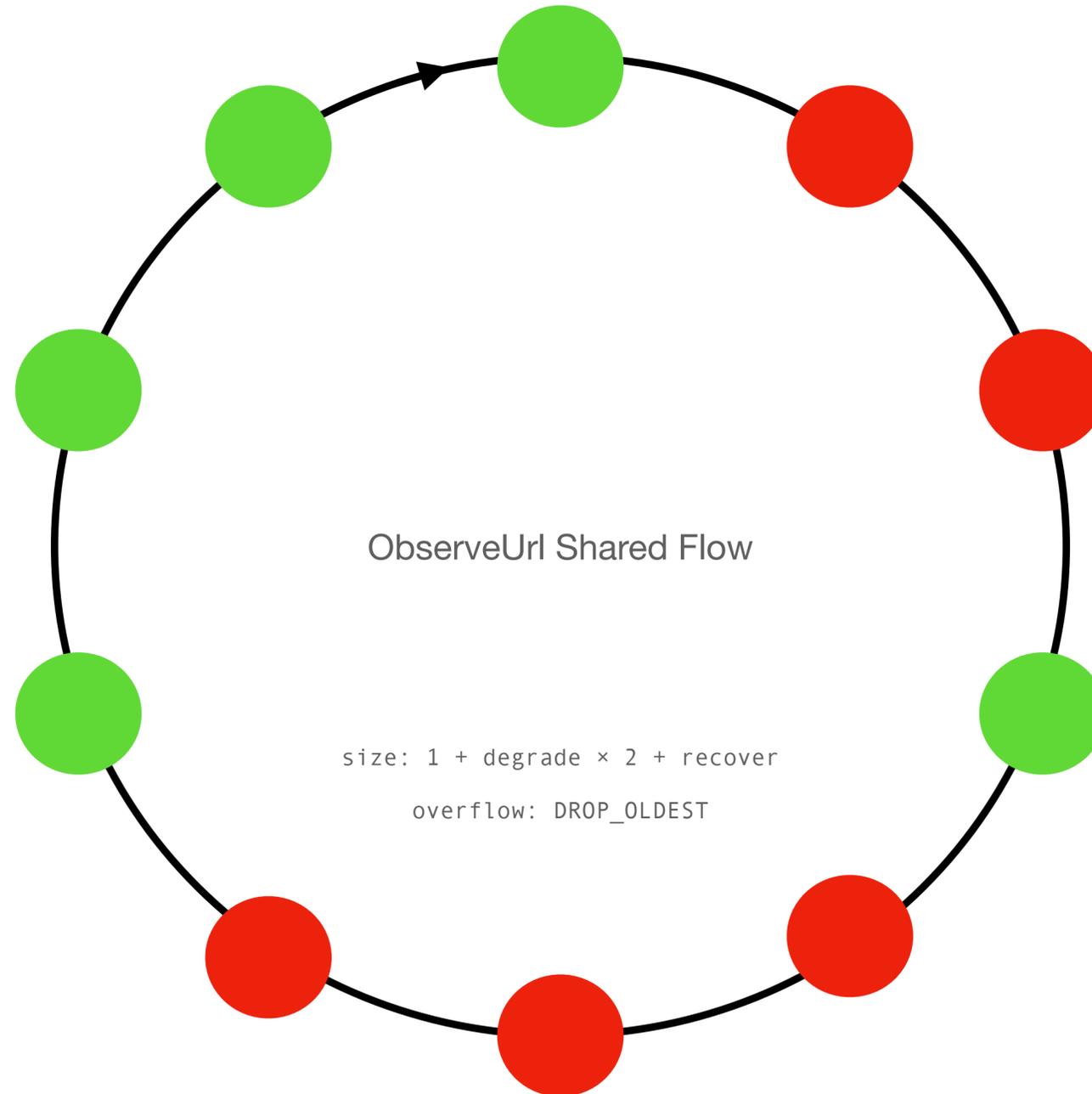
- Lightweight threads + Structured concurrency
- *Scoped* asynchronous operations and *scoped* parallel decomposition
- Write non-blocking, functional code in an imperative style
- Flow is Flux equivalent(-ish)
- Suitable for hot or cold, finite or infinite streams
 - Push-based
 - Suspending functions handle back-pressure
 - Easily add your own operators (coroutines)
 - `map` supports asynchrony (suspending function parameter).

3 domain model Flows, 1 view model Flow

- Domain model
 - Shared Flow per Instance: was “ping” Result an Error or Success?
 - State Flow per Instance: calculate health based on recent Results
 - State Flow per Observee: calculate overall health based on instance(s) state
- View model
 - Flow of each observee’s current state: interpolated into template

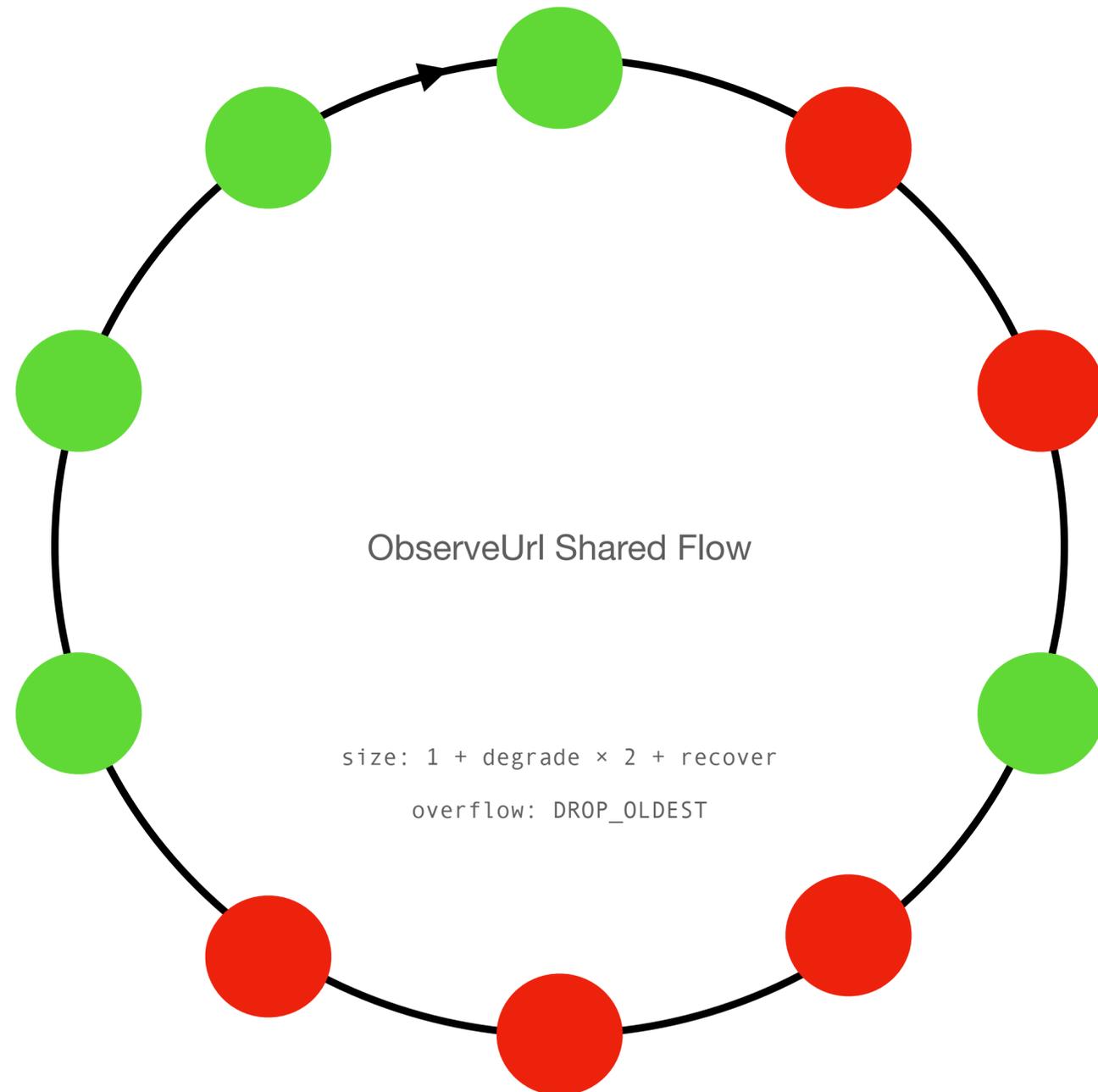
ObserveUrl shared flow

Acts like a Ring Buffer which doesn't wait for reads



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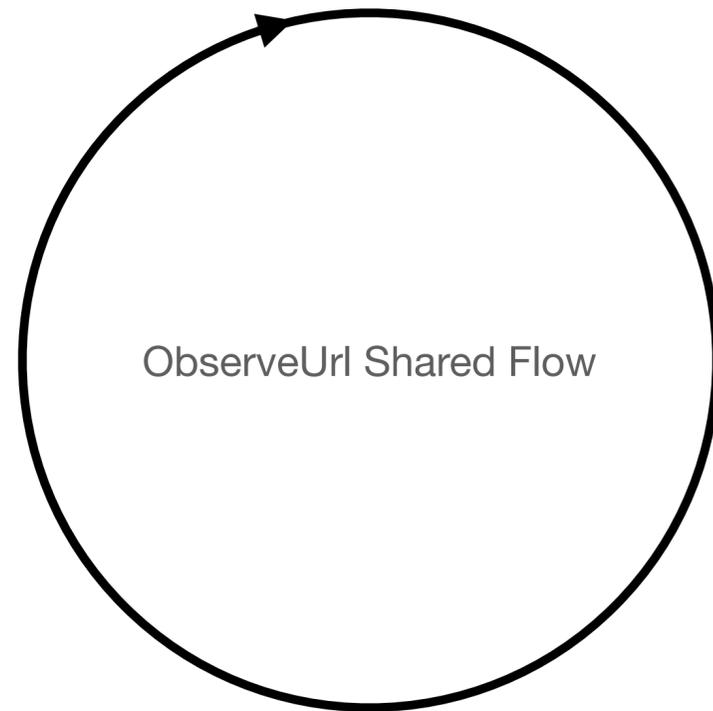
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- Result = Either<Error, Success>
- Error
 - HTTP status
 - Timeout
 - Exception (typically IOException)
- Blocking check in IO dispatcher
- Checked every “period” by a coroutine

Instance Health state flow

Calculated from ObserveUrl shared flow



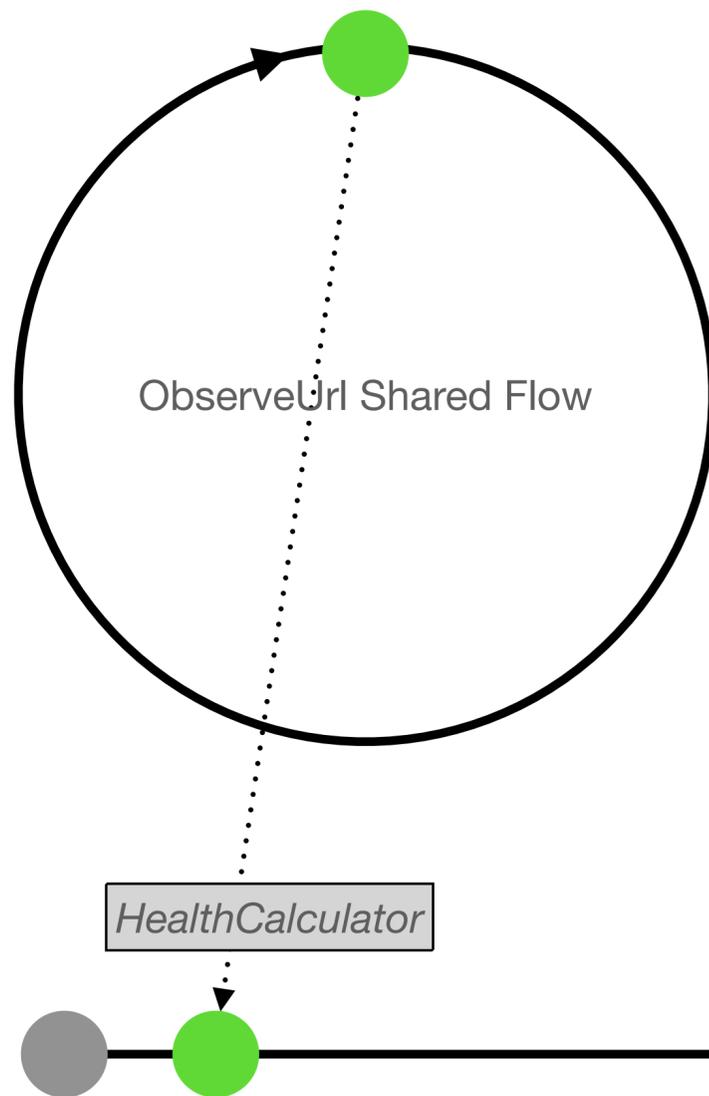
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The State Flow has an initial state of Unknown health

Instance Health state flow

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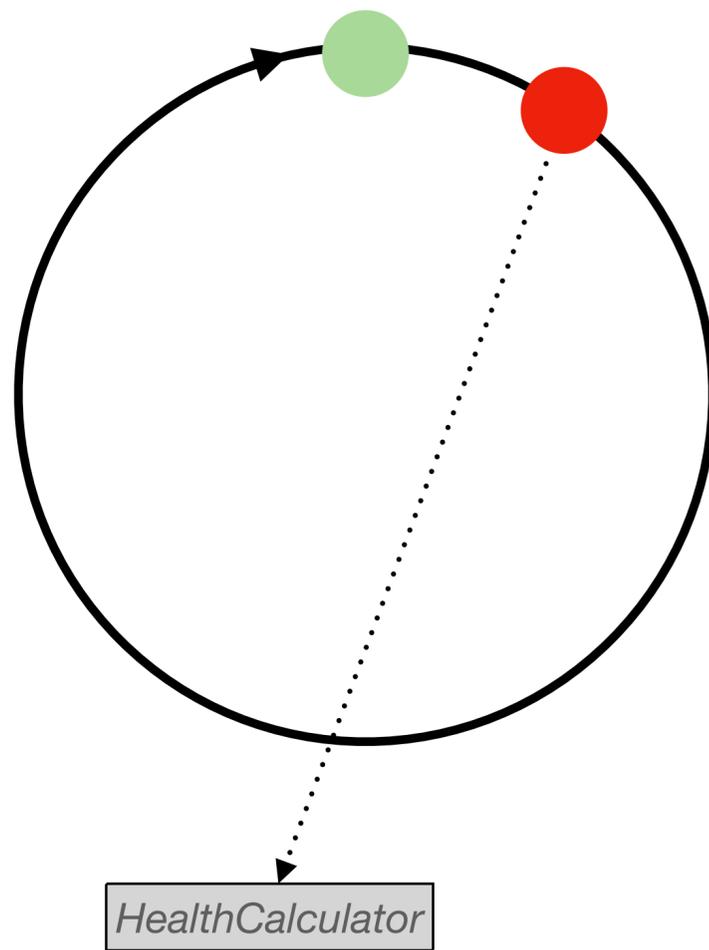


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The first ObserveUrl shared flow event is emitted, and a calculation is performed to determine that the Instance Health state is Healthy

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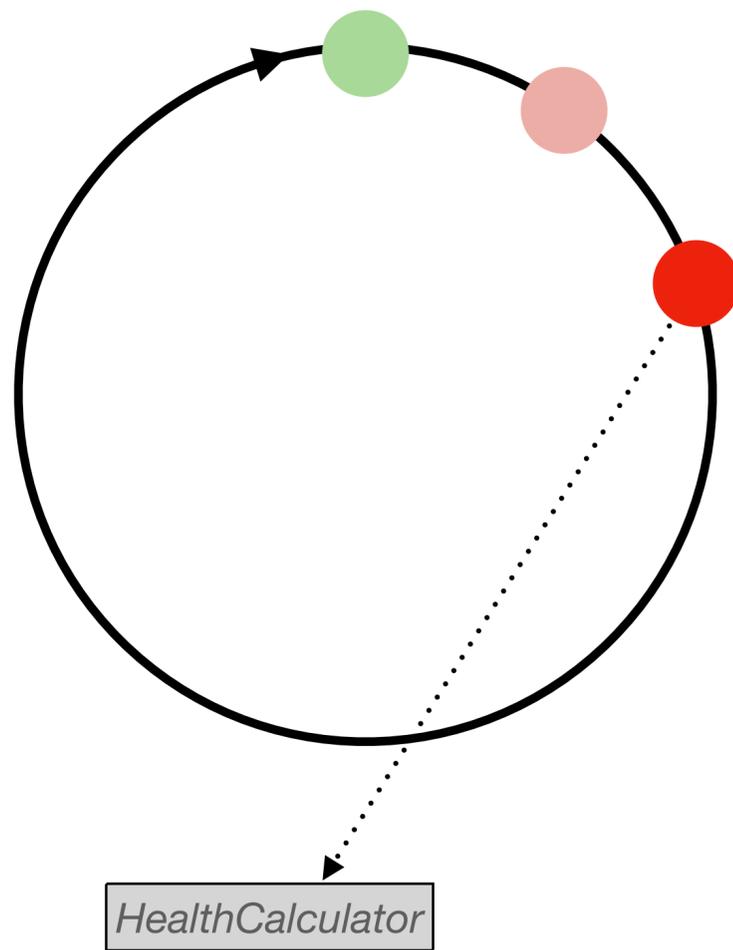
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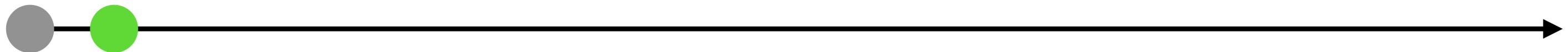
Because "degrade after" is 2, the instance is still calculated as Healthy
Because there is no change in health, no event is emitted to the State Flow

Instance Health state flow

Calculated from ObserveUrl shared flow



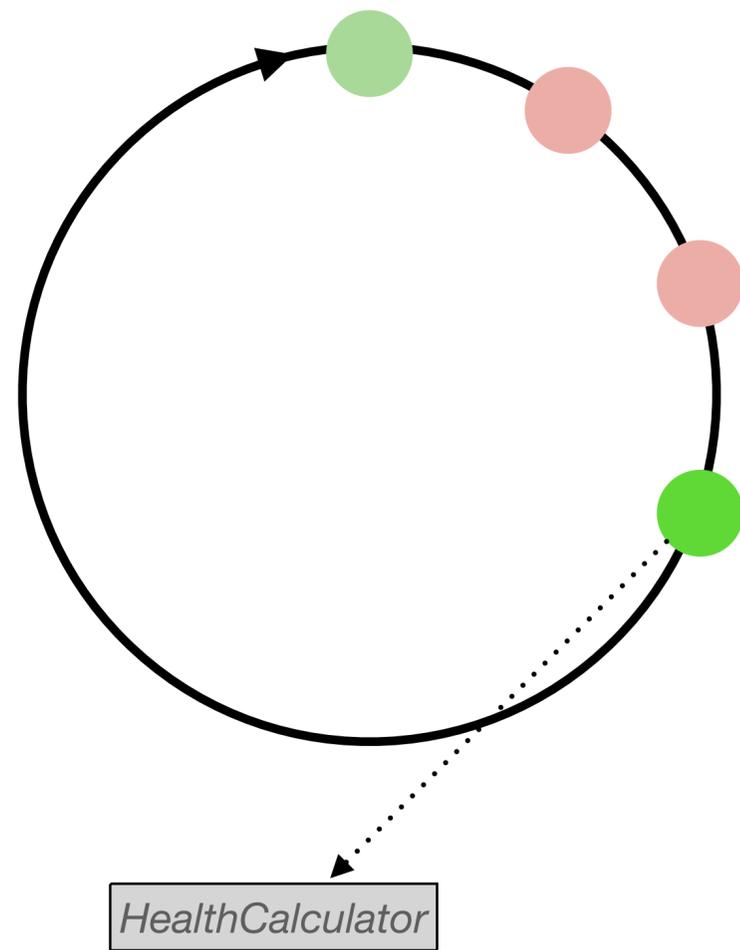
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Because degrade is 3, the instance is still calculated as Healthy
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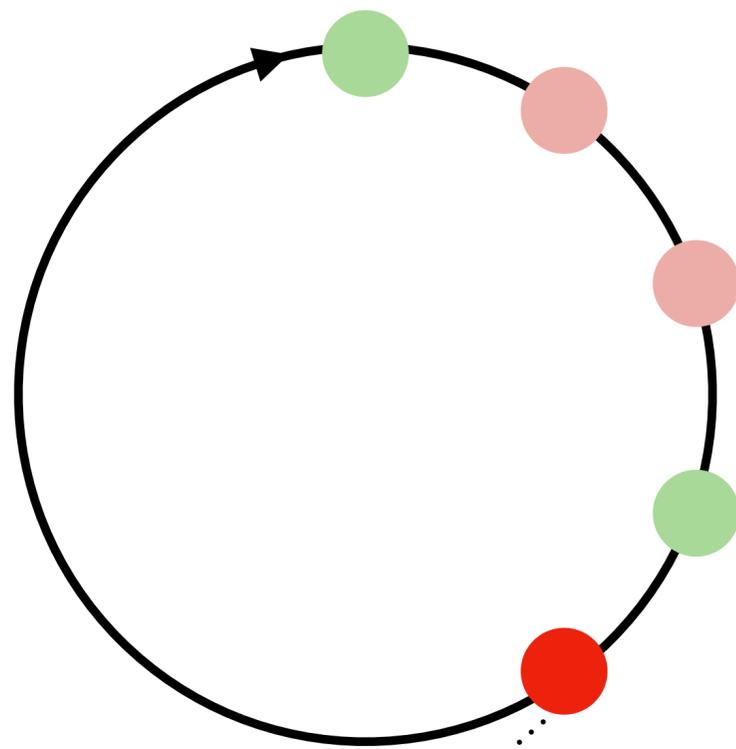
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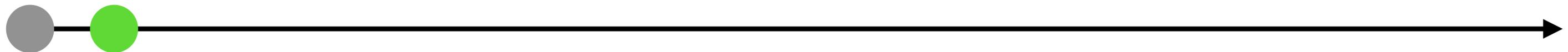
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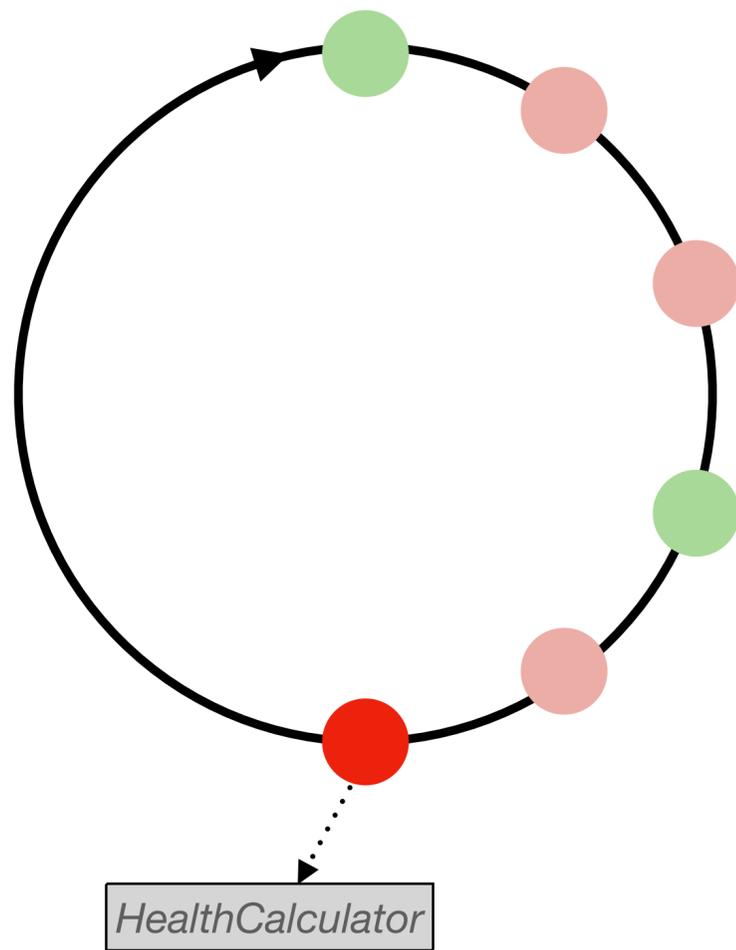
HealthCalculator



Because “degrade after” is 2, the instance is still calculated as Healthy
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Calculated from ObserveUrl shared flow



degrade = 2, recover = 1

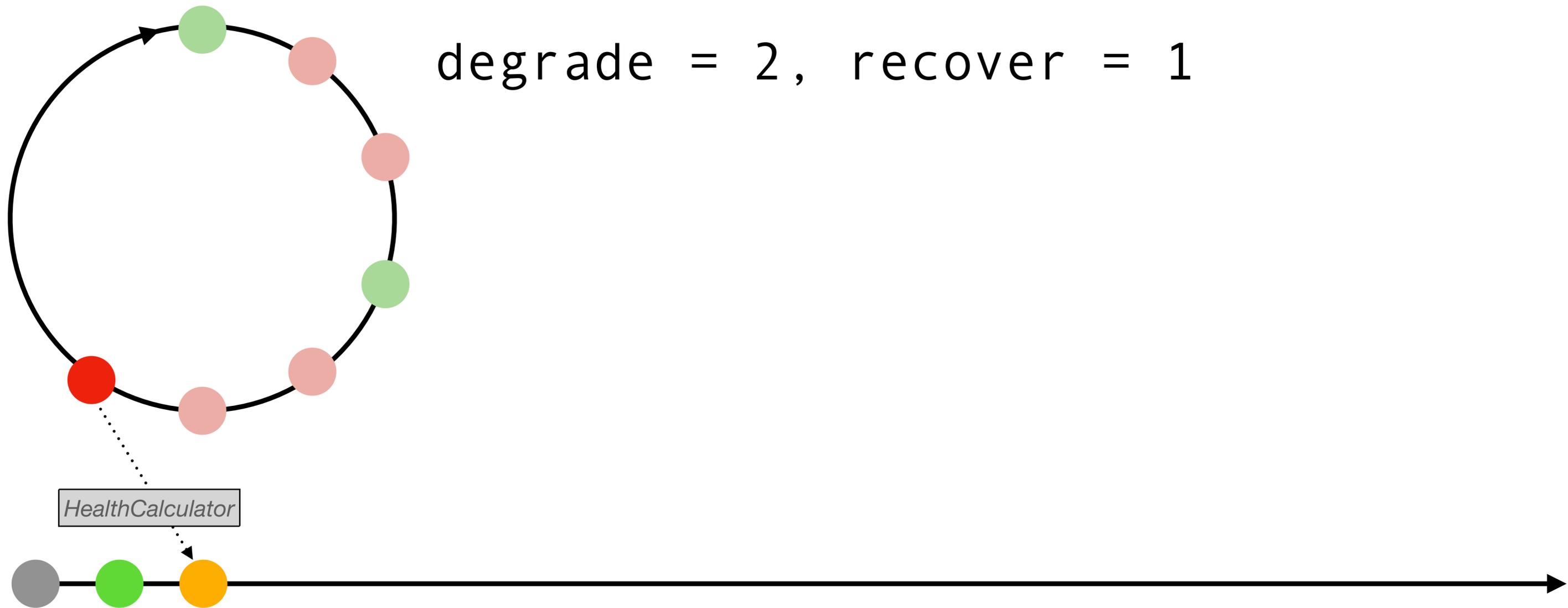


Because “degrade after” is 2, the instance is still calculated as Healthy
Because there is no change in health, no event is emitted to the State Flow

** The ring size is larger than needed to help visualize this example*

Instance Health state flow

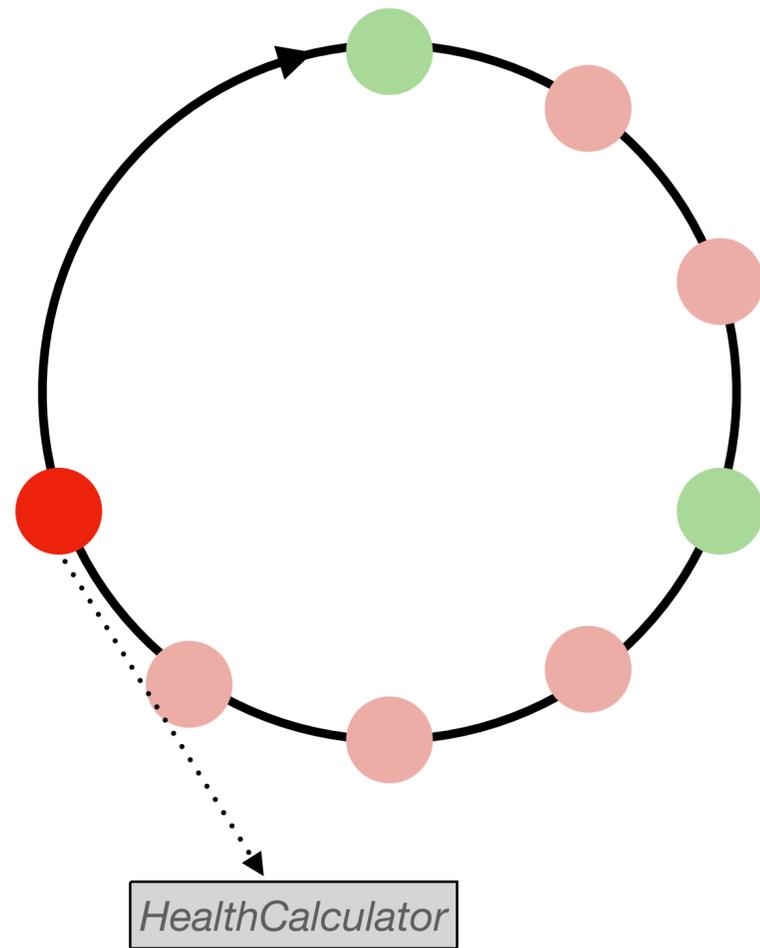
Calculated from ObserveUrl shared flow



Because “degrade after” is 2, the instance is now calculated as Ailing
Because there is a change in health, an event is emitted to the State Flow

Instance Health state flow

Calculated from ObserveUrl shared flow



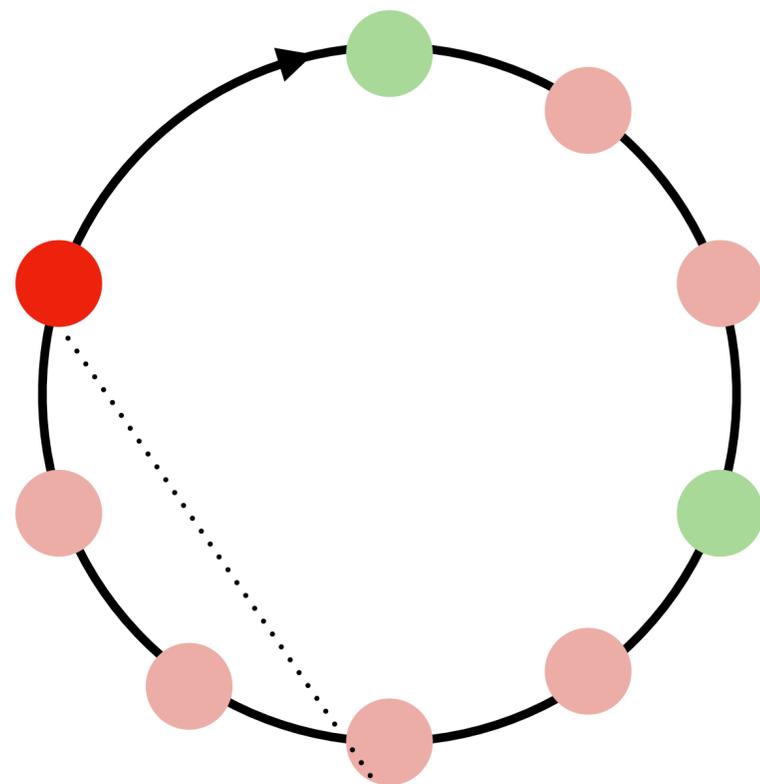
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Instance Health state flow

Calculated from ObserveUrl shared flow



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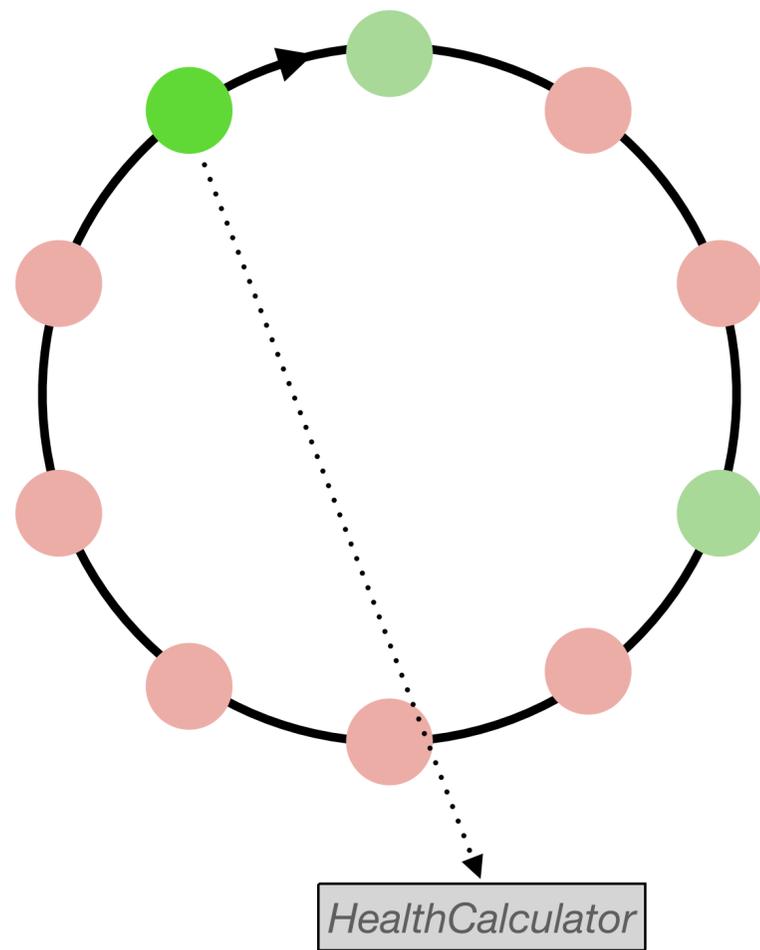
HealthCalculator



Because "degrade after" is 2, the instance is now calculated as Unhealthy
Because there is a change in health, an event is emitted to the State Flow

Instance Health state flow

Calculated from ObserveUrl shared flow



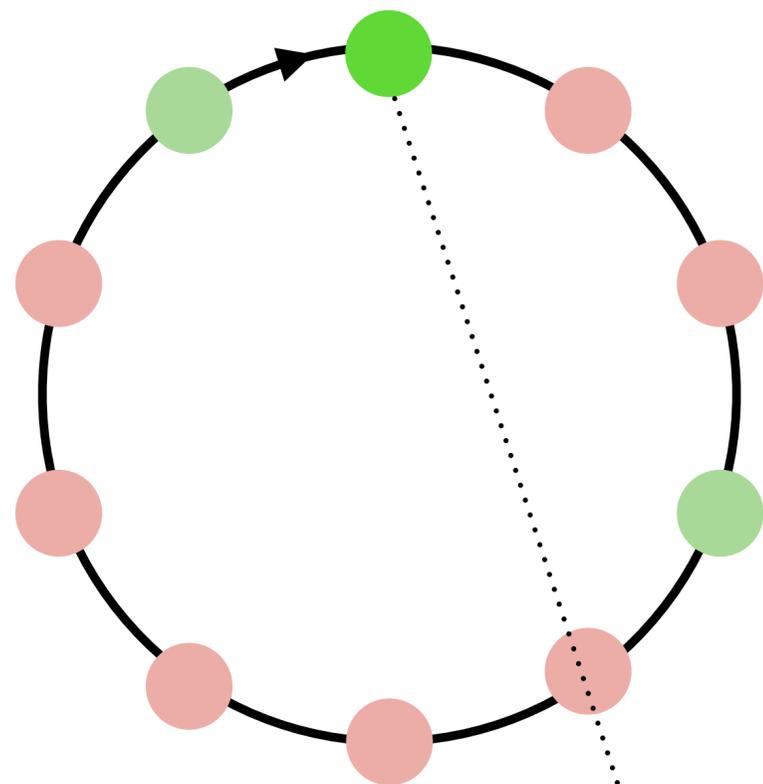
degrade = 2, recover = 1



Because “recover after” is 1, the instance is still calculated as Unhealthy
Because there is a change in health, an event is emitted to the State Flow

Instance Health state flow

Calculated from ObserveUrl shared flow



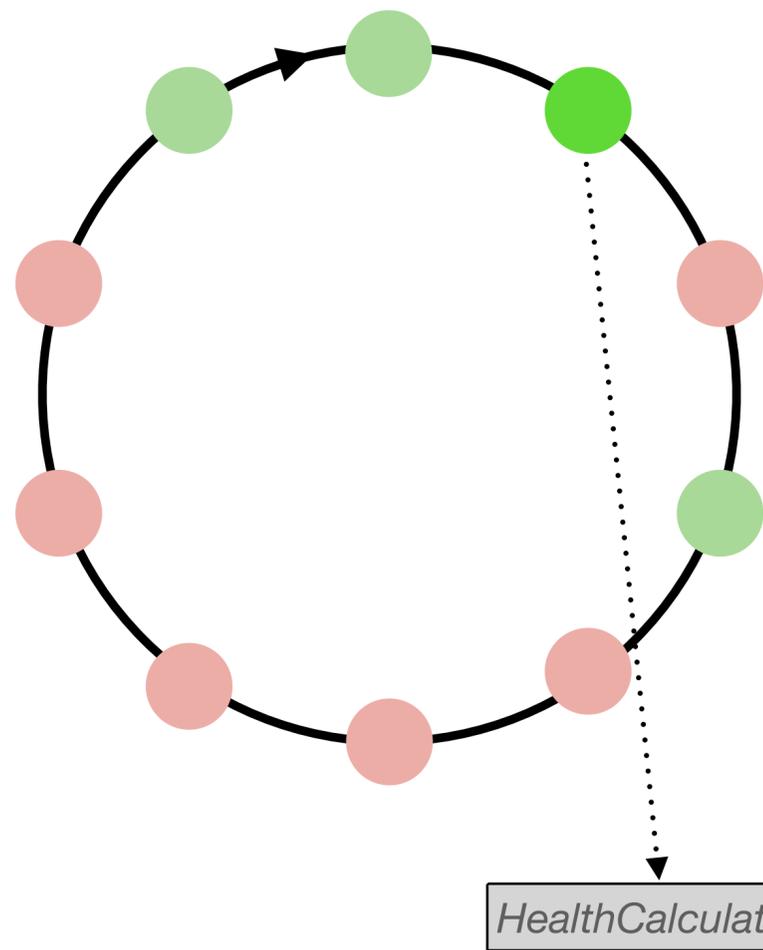
degrade = 2, recover = 1



Because "recover after" is 1, the instance is now calculated as Healthy
Because there is a change in health, an event is emitted to the State Flow

Instance Health state flow

Calculated from ObserveUrl shared flow



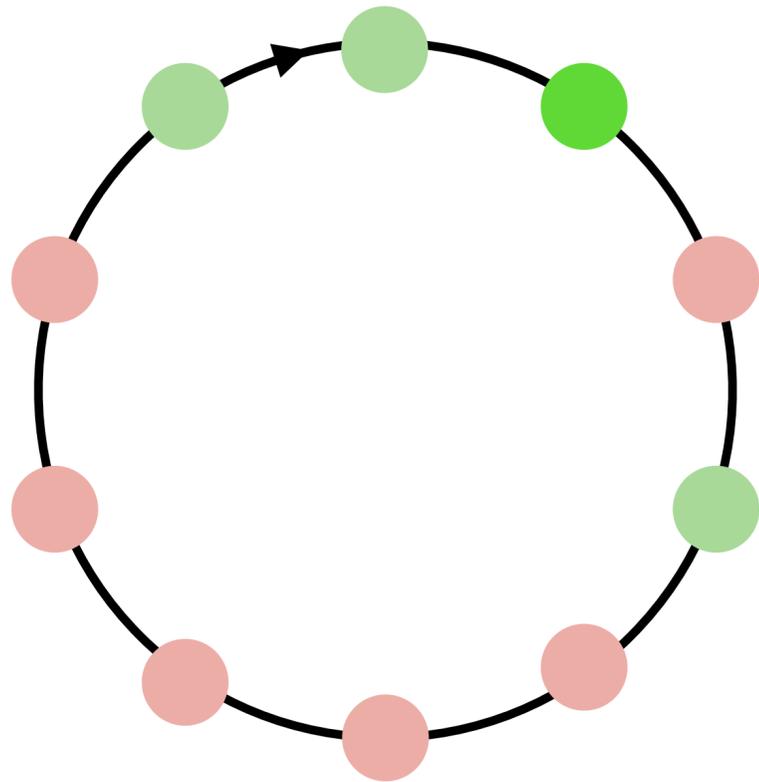
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Because there is no change in health, no event is emitted to the State Flow

Instance Health state flow

Calculated from ObserveUrl shared flow



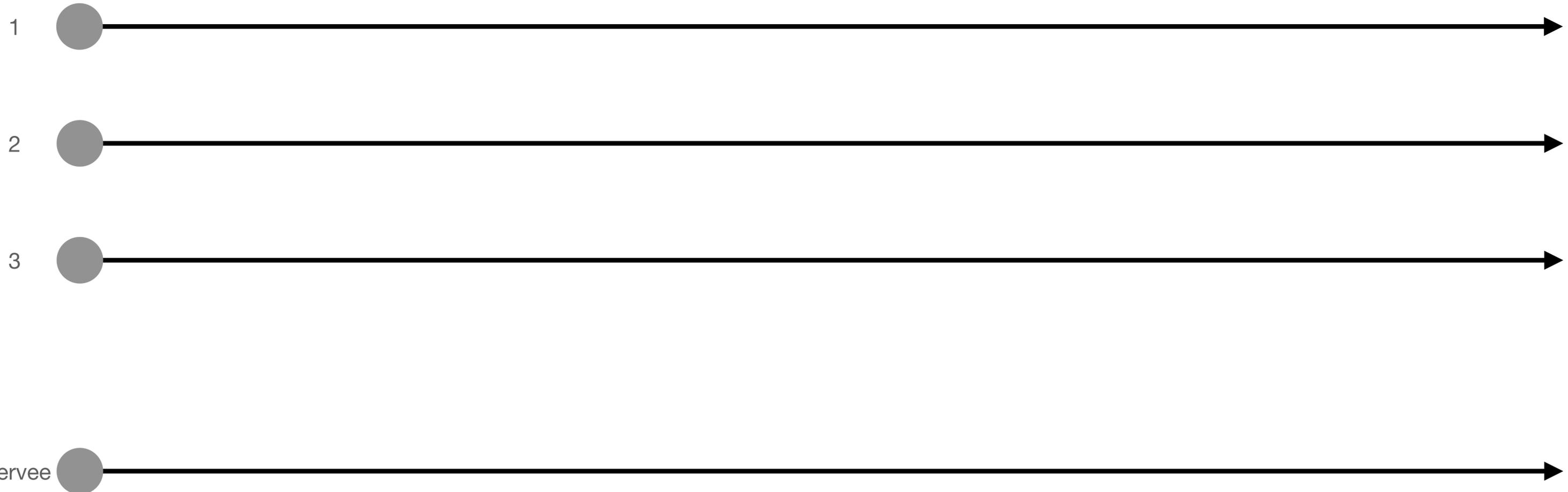
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And now, multiple State Flows feeding another State Flow



Observee Health state flow

Calculated from combined Instance Health state flows

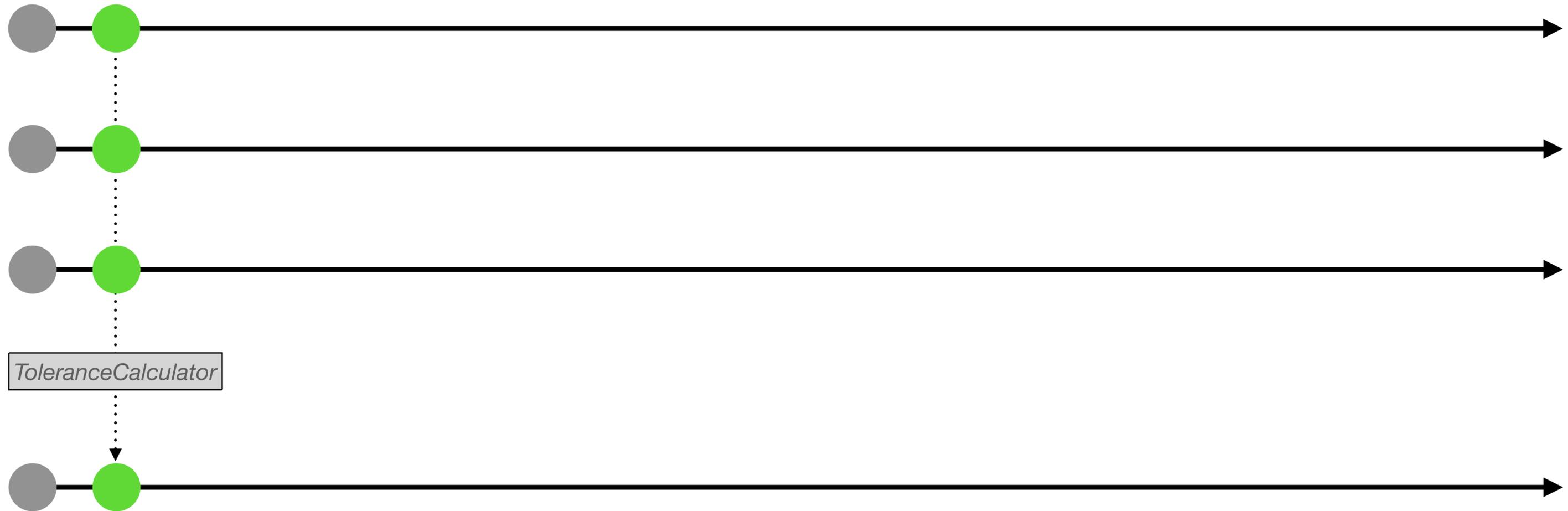


tolerance = 1

The State Flow has an initial state of Unknown health

Observee Health state flow

Calculated from combined Instance Health state flows

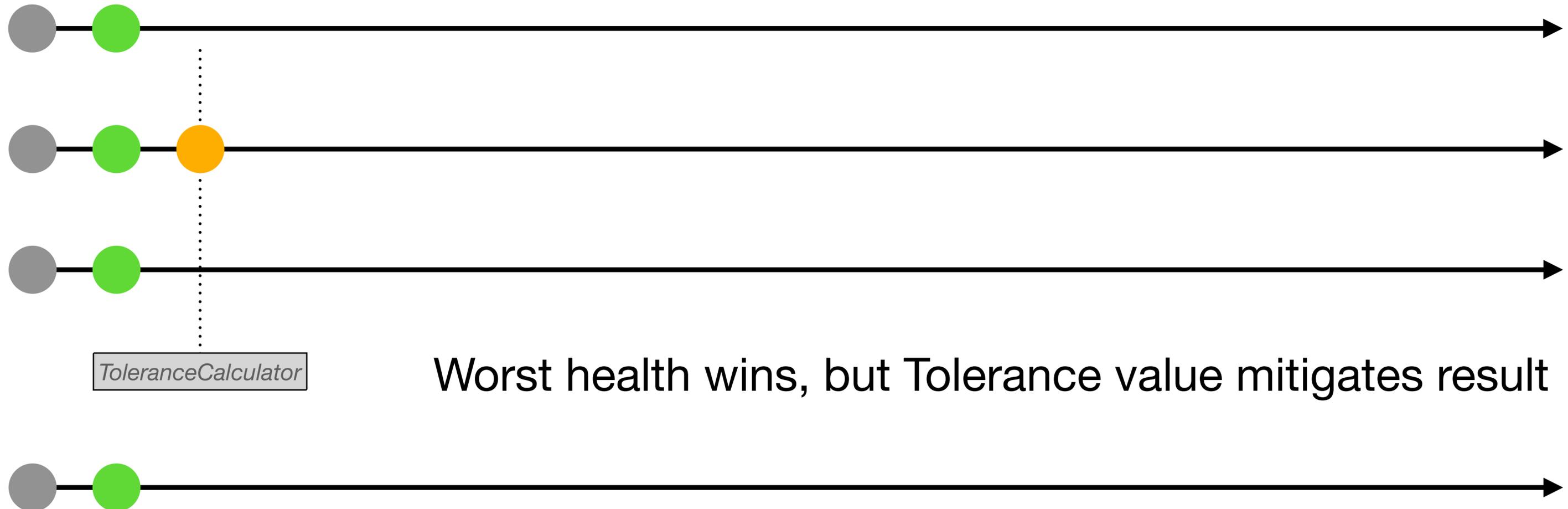


tolerance = 1

The first Instance Health state flow events are emitted, and a calculation is performed to determine that the Observee Health state is Healthy

Observe Health state flow

Calculated from combined Instance Health state flows



ToleranceCalculator

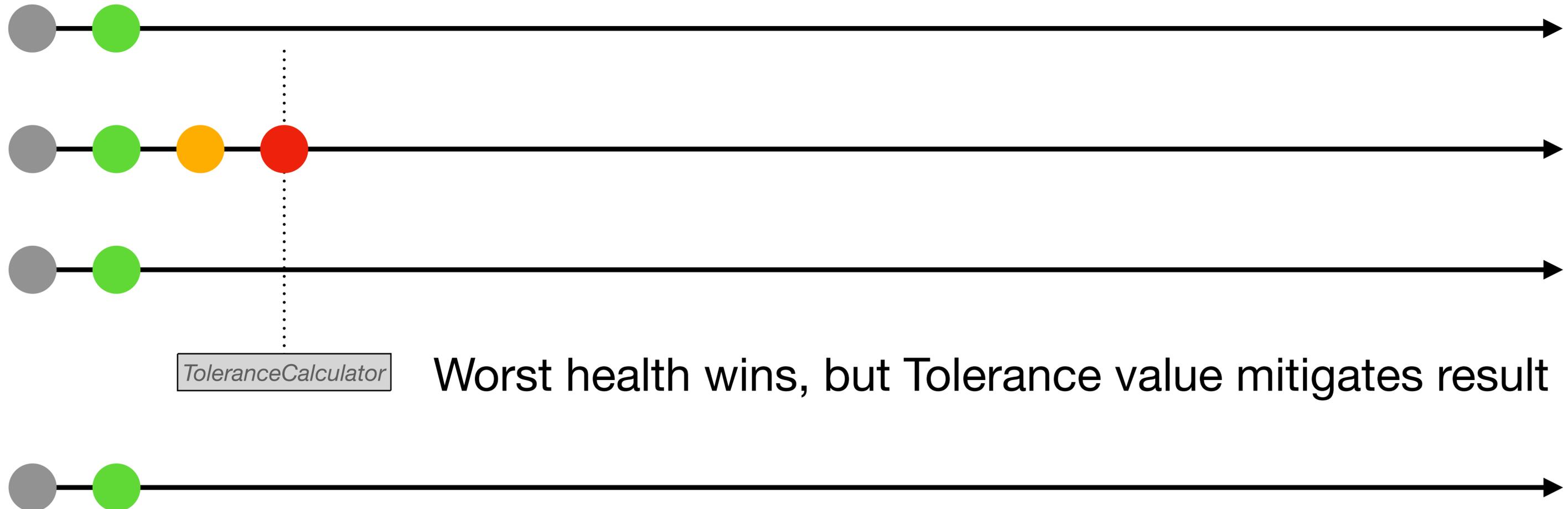
Worst health wins, but Tolerance value mitigates result

tolerance = 1

Because 1 not-healthy instance is tolerated, the system is still calculated as Healthy
Because there is no change in health, no event is emitted to the State Flow

Observe Health state flow

Calculated from combined Instance Health state flows



ToleranceCalculator

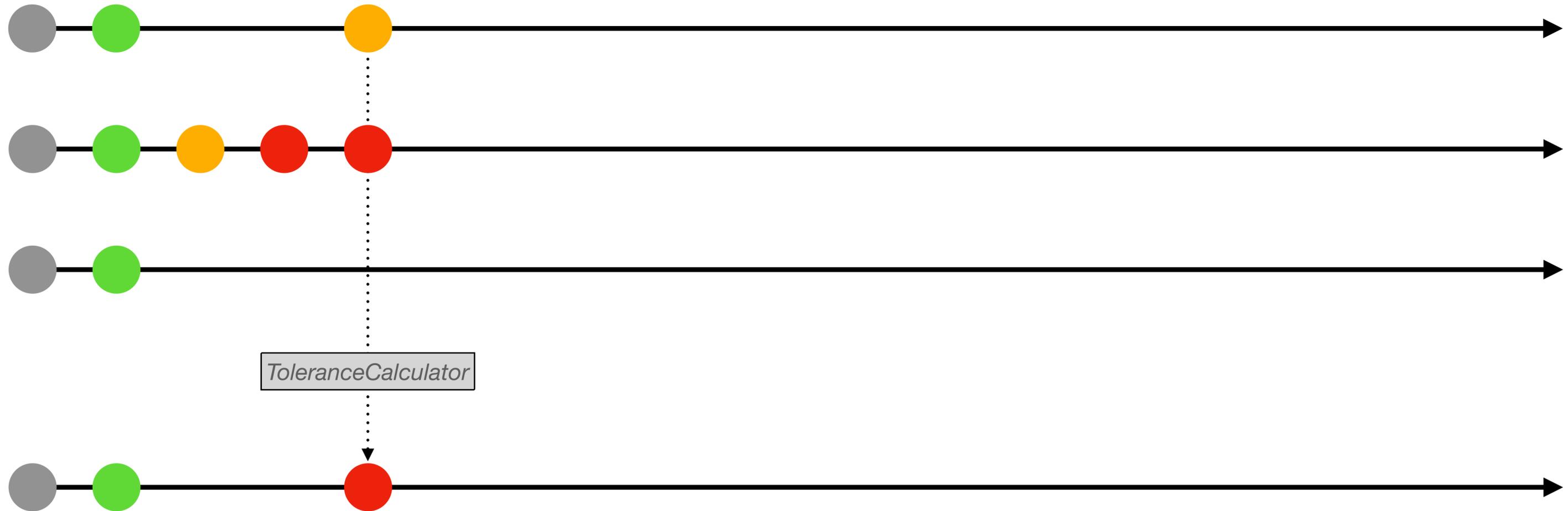
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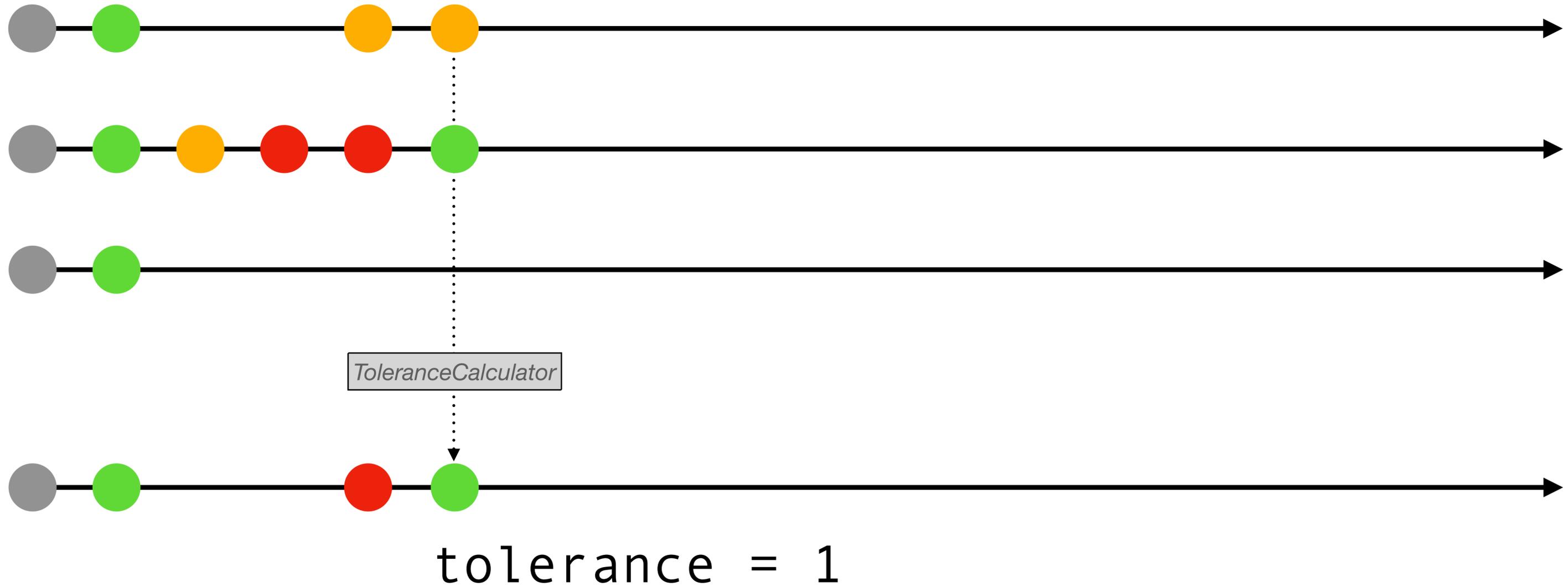


tolerance = 1

Because only 1 not-healthy instance is tolerated, and the worst not-healthy instance is Unhealthy, the system is calculated as Unhealthy
Because there is a change in health, an event is emitted to the State Flow

Observe Health state flow

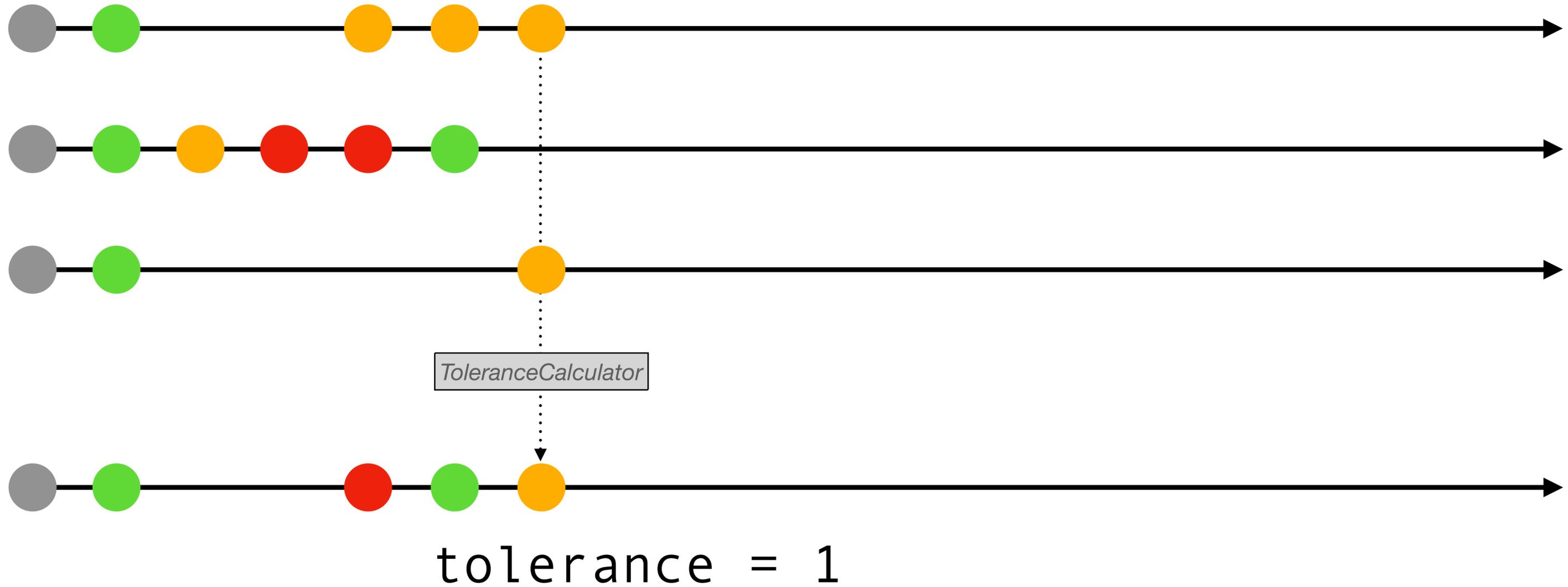
Calculated from combined Instance Health state flows



Because 1 not-healthy instance is tolerated, the system is now calculated as Healthy
Because there is a change in health, an event is emitted to the State Flow

Observe Health state flow

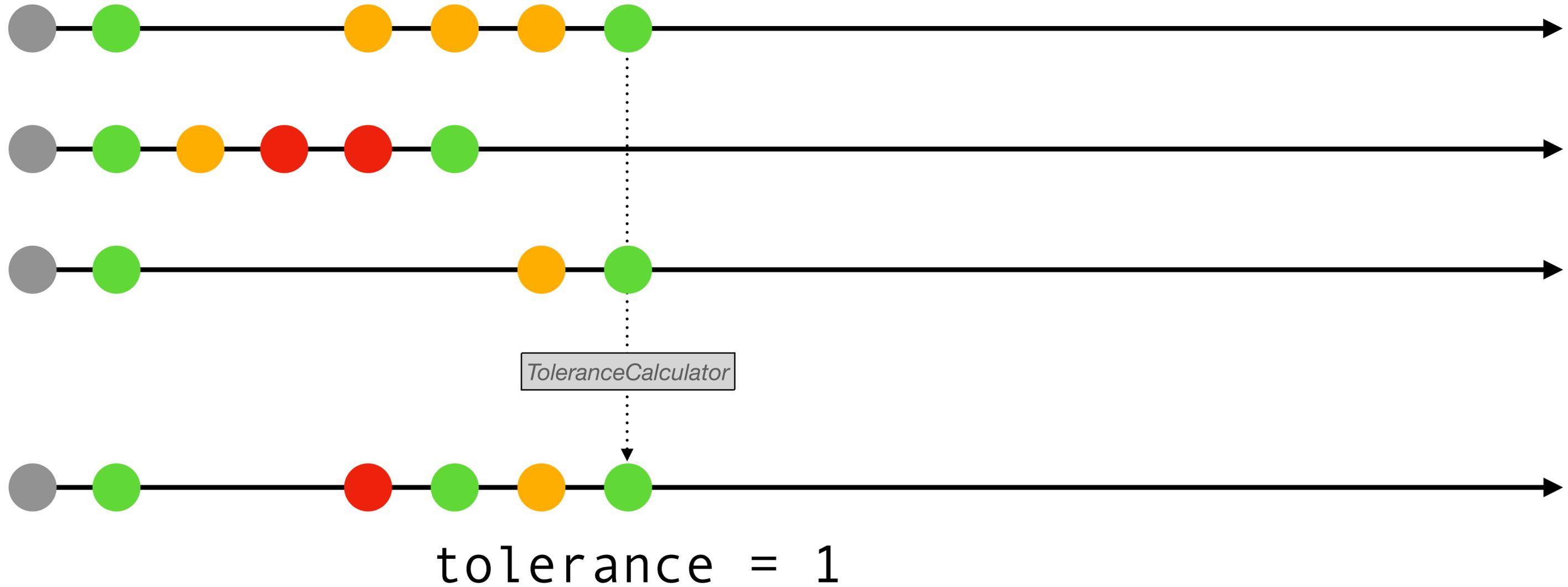
Calculated from combined Instance Health state flows



Because only 1 not-healthy instance is tolerated, and the worst not-healthy instance is Ailing, the system is calculated as Ailing
Because there is a change in health, an event is emitted to the State Flow

Observe Health state flow

Calculated from combined Instance Health state flows

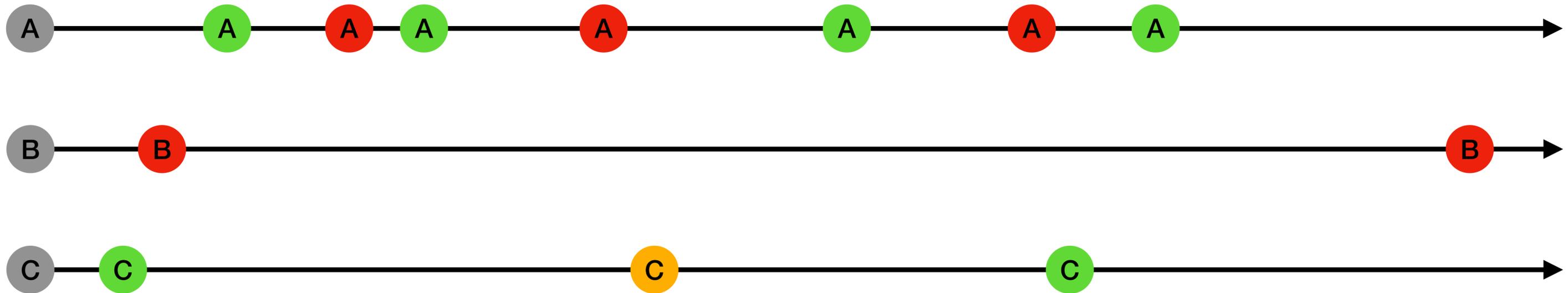


Because all instances are healthy, the system is now calculated as Healthy
Because there is a change in health, an event is emitted to the State Flow

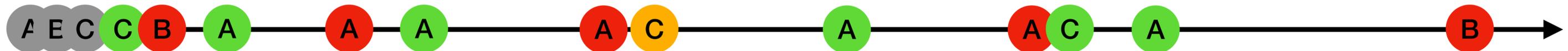
/status.stream

Flow<Flow<ObservableEvent>> → merge → map → Flow<ObservableInfo>

ObservableEvent



map ◦ flatMapMerge



ObservableInfo

Merging Flows

Turning Kotlin Flows into text/event-stream for Turbo Stream

- Server-side reactive stream of domain model events
- Functional transformations
- Mapped to reactive stream of view model events
- Template interpolation
- Sent to browser as SSE messages
- Each event message contains HTML data
- DOM updated directly (no JSON deserialization & mapping).

Recap

- You don't need a lot of JavaScript
 - for dynamic updates
 - to process data transferred from the server
- You don't need an SPA
 - for responsive browser experiences
 - unless you have a situation that is both tolerable and unavoidable.

Recap

- You can use HTML as an effective data transfer format
 - with a semantically rich content model
 - providing low-friction updates to web clients
- You can have a web-native reactive system that is
 - simple
 - fast
 - accessible
 - with a frontend using HTML, CSS, and a #LowJS toolkit.

<https://status.gallery>

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Test File

Instances 1

Healthy at 07:49:32

Google

Instances 2

Unhealthy at 07:50:00

Cloudflare

Instances 4

Healthy at 07:44:35

Twitter

Instances 1

Unhealthy at 07:50:09