

Object Oriented Programming with Java

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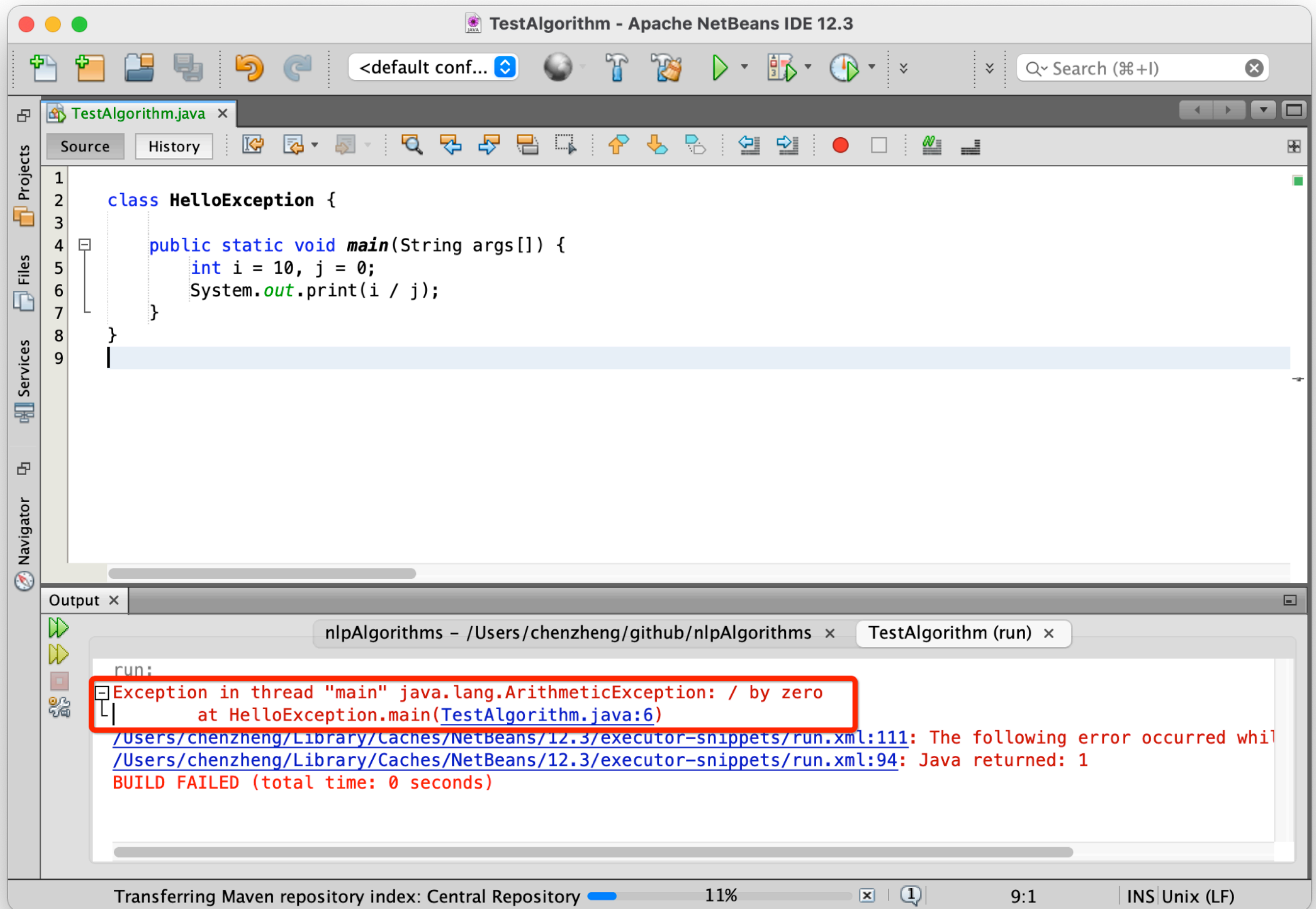


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Exception

- Exception is an abnormal condition.
- In Java, an exception **is an event** that disrupts the normal flow of the program. It **is an object** which is thrown at runtime.
- Exception Handling is a mechanism to handle **runtime** errors such as ClassNotFoundException, IOException, SQLException, RemoteException, etc.

try-catch Block

- To handle exceptions, place the code in a try block.

```
try {  
    // Codes may throw exception  
}
```

- A try block cannot be used just by itself.
- It must be followed by one or more catch blocks, or one finally block, or a combination of both.

try-catch Block

- To handle an exception that might be thrown inside a try block, use a catch block.

```
catch (ExceptionClassName parameterName) {  
    // Exception handling code  
}
```

- When an exception is thrown, the reference of the **exception object is copied to the parameter**. We can use the it to get information from the exception object.
- The parameter **type is the class of the exception** that it is supposed to catch. The parameterName is a user-given name.

General syntax for a try-catch block

```
try {  
    //Your code that may throw an exception  
}  
catch (ExceptionClass1 e1){  
    //Handle exception of ExceptionClass1 type  
}  
catch (ExceptionClass2 e2){  
    //Handle exception of ExceptionClass2 type  
}  
catch (ExceptionClass3 e3){  
    //Handle exception of ExceptionClass3 type  
}
```

Example

```
public class Main {  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
1        int x = 10, y = 0, z;  
        try {  
2            z = x / y;  
            System.out.println("z = " + z);  
        } catch (ArithmeticException e) {  
3            String msg = e.getMessage();  
4            System.out.println("The error is: " + msg);  
        }  
5        System.out.println("The end.");  
    }  
}
```


Finally block

- A try block can also have zero or one finally block. A finally block is always used with a try block.

```
finally {  
    //Code for finally block  
}
```

- A try block may be followed by zero or more catch blocks.
- A try block can have a **maximum of one** finally block.
- A try block must have either a catch block, a finally block, or both.

Usage of finally block

- A finally block is guaranteed to be executed no matter what happens in the associated try and/or catch block.
- Typically, we use a finally block to write cleanup code.

```
try {  
    //Obtain and use some resources here  
}  
finally {  
    //Release the resources that were obtained  
    // in the try block  
}
```

```
ObjectOutputStream oos = null;
try {
    oos = new ObjectOutputStream(new FileOutputStream(file));
    oos.writeObject(shapes);
    oos.flush();
} catch (FileNotFoundException ex) {
    //complain to user
} catch (IOException ex) {
    //notify user
} finally {
    if (oos != null) {
        try {
            oos.close();
        } catch (IOException ex) {
            //ignore ...
            //any significant errors should already have been
            //reported via an IOException from the final flush.
        }
    }
}
```

Example of finally block

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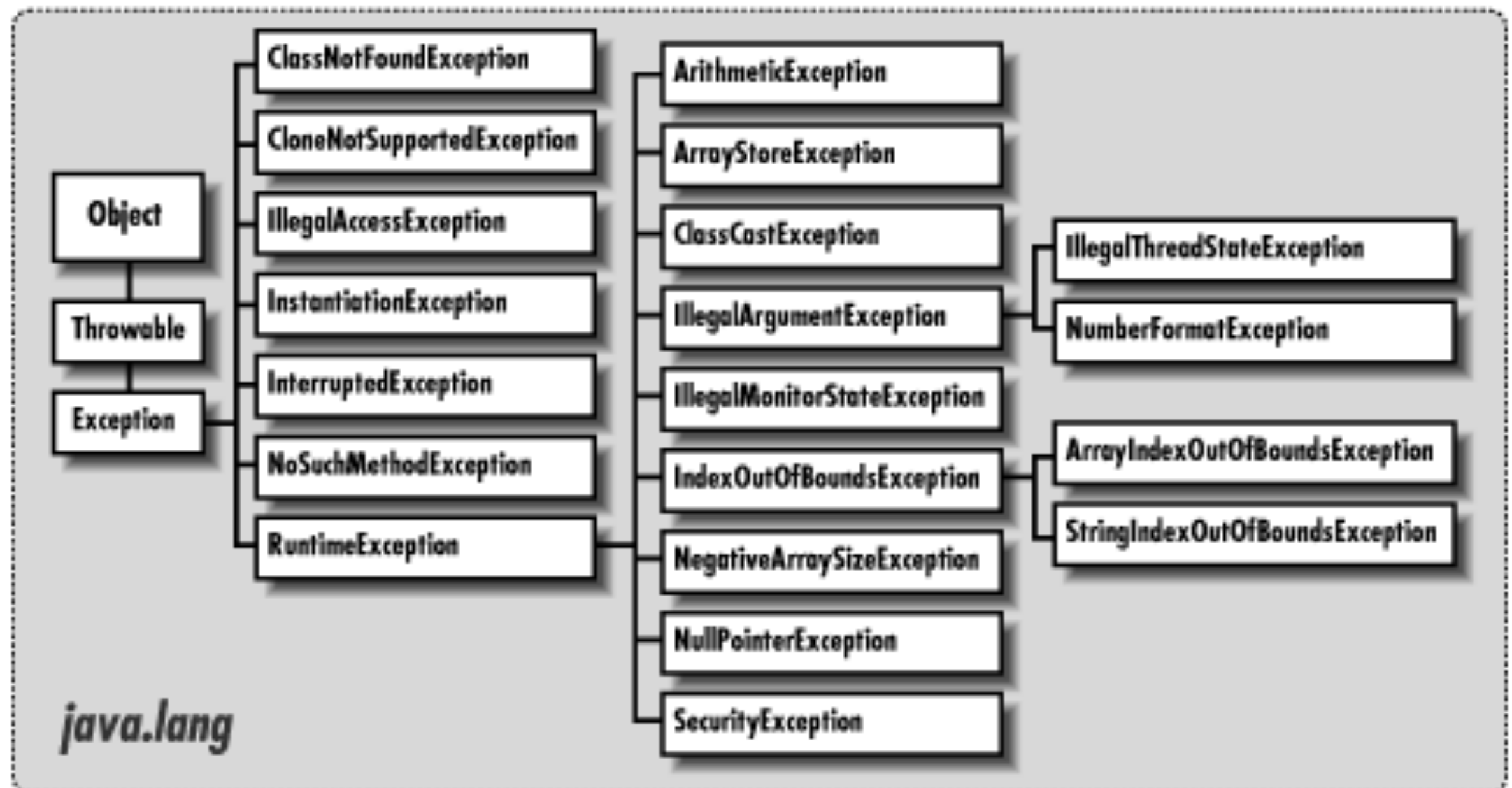
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Exception Class

- The exception class hierarchy starts at the `java.lang.Throwable` class.
- When an exception is thrown, it must be an object of the `Throwable` class, or any of its subclasses.
- We can create our own exception classes by inheriting our classes from one of the exception classes.

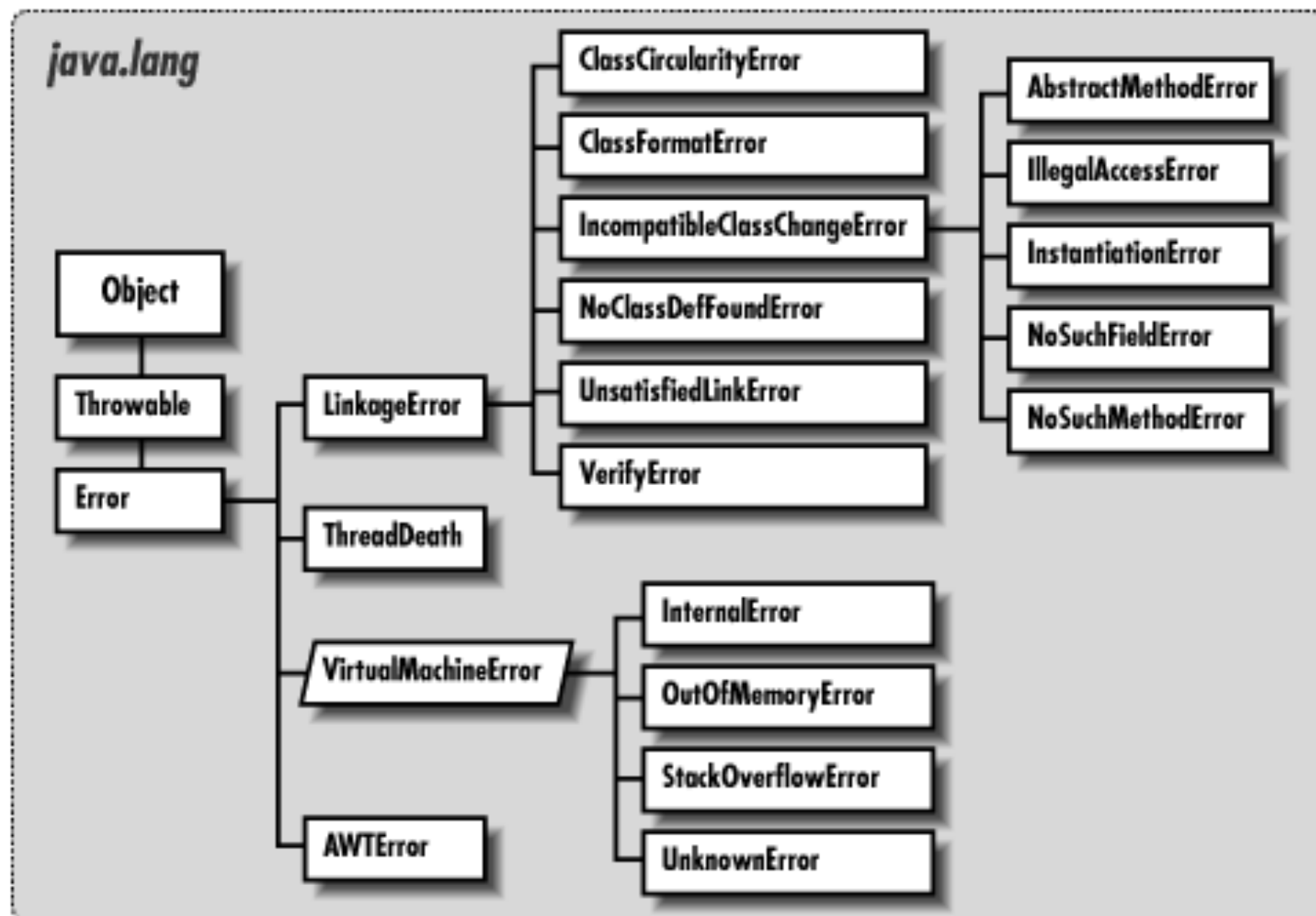
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Types of Java Exceptions

- Checked Exception
 - The classes which directly inherit Exception class except RuntimeException are known as checked exceptions.
 - Checked exceptions are checked at compile-time.
- Unchecked Exception
 - The classes which inherit RuntimeException are known as unchecked exceptions
 - Unchecked exceptions are not checked at compile-time, but they are checked at runtime.
- Error
 - The classes which inherit class Error are errors.
 - Errors are irrecoverable.

Some checked exception classes

- `ClassNotFoundException`
 - This exception is thrown to indicate that a class that is to be loaded cannot be found.
- `CloneNotSupportedException`
 - This exception is thrown when the `clone()` method has been called for an object that cannot be cloned.
- `NoSuchMethodException`
 - This exception is thrown when a specified method cannot be found.

Some unchecked exception classes

- `ArithmeticException`
 - This exception is thrown to indicate an exceptional arithmetic condition, such as integer division by zero.
- `ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException`
 - This exception is thrown when an out-of-range index is detected by an array object. An out-of-range index occurs when the index is less than zero or greater than or equal to the size of the array.
- `NullPointerException`
 - This exception is thrown when there is an attempt to access an object through a null object reference. This can occur when there is an attempt to access an instance variable or call a method through a null object or when there is an attempt to subscript an array with a null object.

Some error classes

- `OutOfMemoryError`
 - This error is thrown when an attempt to allocate memory fails.
- `StackOverflowError`
 - This error is thrown when a stack overflow error occurs within the virtual machine.
- `VirtualMachineError`
 - The appropriate subclass of this error is thrown to indicate that the Java virtual machine has encountered an error.

Arranging Multiple catch Blocks

- Multiple catch blocks for a try block must be arranged from the most specific exception type to the most generic exception type.

```
try {  
    //Do something, which might throw Exception  
}  
catch(ArithmeticException e1) {  
    //Handle ArithmeticException first  
}  
catch(RuntimeException e2) {  
    //Handle RuntimeException  
    // after ArithmeticException  
}
```

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Throwing an Exception

- We can throw an exception in our code using a throw statement. The syntax for a throw statement is
throw <A throwable object reference>;
- throw is a keyword, which is followed by a reference to a throwable object.
- A throwable object is an instance of a class, which is a subclass of the Throwable class, or the Throwable class itself.

Throwing an Exception Example

```
// Create an object of IOException
IOException e1 = new IOException("File not found");
// Throw the IOException
throw e1;
```

- If we throw a checked exception, we must handle it with a try-catch block, or using a throws clause in the method or constructor declaration.
- These rules do not apply if you throw an unchecked exception.

Throws clause

- If a piece of code may throw a checked exception, we have two options: handle it with a try-catch block, or specify in your method declaration with throws clause.
- Syntax for a throws clause is

```
methodName(<params>) throws<List of Exceptions>{  
    \\method body  
}
```


Throws clause example

```
public class Main {  
  
    public static void readChar() throws IOException {  
        int input = System.in.read();  
        System.out.println(input);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        try {  
            readChar();  
        } catch (IOException e) {  
            System.out.println("Error occurred.");  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Another example

```
public class Main {  
    public static void readChar() throws IOException {  
        int input = System.in.read();  
        System.out.println(input);  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args)  
        throws IOException {  
        readChar();  
    }  
}
```

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Create our own exception

- An exception class is like any other classes in Java, it can be inherited.
- If you are creating your own Exception that is known as custom exception or user-defined exception. Java custom exceptions are used to customize the exception according to user need.

```
public class MyException extends Exception {  
    \\custom codes  
}
```

```
class InvalidAgeException extends Exception {
    InvalidAgeException(String s) {
        super(s);
    }
}

class TestCustomException {
    static void validate(int age) throws InvalidAgeException {
        if (age < 18) {
            throw new InvalidAgeException("not valid");
        }
        System.out.println("welcome to vote");
    }

    public static void main(String args[]) {
        try {
            validate(13);
        } catch (Exception m) {
            System.out.println("Exception occurred: " + m);
        }
        //rest of the code...
    }
}
```

Custom exception example

Methods of exceptions

- Throwable class is the superclass of all exception classes in Java. All of the methods shown in this table are available in all exception classes.
 - String getMessage() — returns the detailed message of the exception.
 - StackTraceElement[] getStackTrace() — returns an array of stack trace elements.
 - void printStackTrace() — prints the stack trace on the standard error stream.
 - String toString() — returns a short description of the exception object.

```
public class TestExceptionMethods {  
    public static void main(String args[]) {  
        try {  
            int[] array = new int[10];  
            System.out.println(array[10]);  
        } catch (Exception e) {  
            System.out.println(e);  
            System.out.println(e.getMessage());  
            System.out.println(e.getStackTrace());  
            e.printStackTrace();  
        }  
    }  
}
```

```
java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: 10  
10  
[Ljava.lang.StackTraceElement;@7852e922  
java.lang.ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException: 10  
    at TestExceptionMethods.main(TestExceptionMethods.java:7)
```

Custom Exceptions can override methods

```
class MyException extends Exception {
    String msg;
    MyException(String msg) {
        this.msg = msg;
    }
    public String getMessage() {
        return msg;
    }
}

public class TestExceptionMethods {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        try {
            throw new MyException("Something wrong....");
        } catch (Exception e) {
            System.out.println(e.getMessage());
        }
    }
}
```


Homework

Write a class that keeps a running total of all characters passed to it (one at a time) and throws an exception if it is passed a non-alphabetic character.



Why do Java developers wear glasses? ...
Because they don't C#.