

# 1. Class & Interface Documentation

## 1.1 IndexManager (Interface)

### Purpose

`IndexManager` defines the **contract for managing search indexes** for weblogs and weblog entries. It abstracts all indexing-related operations such as initialization, rebuilding indexes, adding/removing entries, and searching.

### Key Responsibilities

- Initialize and shut down the indexing system
- Detect index inconsistencies at startup
- Add, remove, and re-index weblog entries
- Rebuild indexes for a single weblog or all weblogs
- Perform search operations and return structured results

### Why an interface?

So different indexing implementations (e.g., Lucene-based, database-based) can be swapped without changing higher-level code.

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## 1.2 SearchResultList

### Purpose

Encapsulates the **results of a search operation**.

### Responsibilities

- Store pagination information (`limit`, `offset`)
- Hold search results (`List<WeblogEntryWrapper>`)

- Track categories involved in the search
- Provide getters for controlled access

This class acts as a **data transfer object (DTO)** between the index layer and the application layer.

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## 1.3 RollerException (Abstract Class)

### Purpose

Base exception class for the system, providing **enhanced exception handling**.

### Responsibilities

- Store and expose the root cause of errors
- Provide multiple constructors for flexibility
- Support detailed stack trace printing

Being abstract ensures only meaningful, specific exceptions are thrown.

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## 1.4 WebloggerException

### Purpose

Represents **general application-level exceptions** in the weblog system.

### Responsibilities

- Extend **RollerException**
- Wrap lower-level exceptions with meaningful messages

Used when indexing or weblog-related operations fail.

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## 1.5 InitializationException

### Purpose

Signals **failures during system or index initialization**.

### Responsibilities

- Specialize `WebloggerException`
  - Clearly distinguish startup failures from runtime failures
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## 1.6 URLStrategy (Interface)

### Purpose

Defines a strategy for **constructing URLs** for weblog-related resources.

### Responsibilities

- Generate URLs for weblogs, entries, feeds, login, and search
- Support absolute and relative URLs
- Allow preview-based URL strategies

This supports **flexible URL generation** without coupling indexing logic to URL formats.

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## 1.7 LuceneIndexManager

### Purpose

Concrete implementation of `IndexManager` using **Apache Lucene**.

### Responsibilities

- Manage Lucene index readers and writers
- Handle concurrent access using read/write locks

- Execute index operations (add, remove, rebuild)
- Perform search queries and return `SearchResultList`

This class is the **core engine** of the indexing system.

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## 1.8 `IndexOperation` (Abstract Class)

### Purpose

Represents a **unit of work** performed on the Lucene index.

### Responsibilities

- Provide a template method (`run`)
- Manage writer lifecycle (`beginWriting`, `endWriting`)
- Convert weblog data into Lucene documents
- Delegate actual logic to `doRun()`

Implements the **Template Method pattern**.

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## 1.9 `WriteToIndexOperation` (Abstract Class)

### Purpose

Specialization of `IndexOperation` for **write-based operations**.

### Responsibilities

- Acquire write locks
  - Ensure index consistency during modifications
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## 1.10 ReadFromIndexOperation (Abstract Class)

### Purpose

Specialization of `IndexOperation` for **read-only operations**.

### Responsibilities

- Acquire read locks
  - Allow concurrent searches without blocking writers unnecessarily
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## 1.11 AddEntryOperation

### Purpose

Adds a new weblog entry to the index.

### Responsibilities

- Convert a `WeblogEntry` into a Lucene document
  - Persist it into the index
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## 1.12 RemoveEntryOperation

### Purpose

Removes an existing weblog entry from the index.

### Responsibilities

- Locate the entry document
  - Delete it from the Lucene index
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## 1.13 ReIndexEntryOperation

### Purpose

Re-indexes an existing weblog entry.

### Responsibilities

- Remove the old index data
- Add updated index data

Useful when an entry is edited.

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## 1.14 RebuildWebsiteIndexOperation

### Purpose

Rebuilds the **entire index for a weblog**.

### Responsibilities

- Iterate over all entries of a weblog
- Recreate index data from scratch

Used when indexes are corrupted or outdated.

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## 1.15 SearchOperation

### Purpose

Encapsulates a **search query execution**.

### Responsibilities

- Build Lucene queries
- Execute search using [IndexSearcher](#)

- Store and return `TopFieldDocs`
  - Support filters (term, category, locale, weblog)
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## 1.16 `FieldConstants` (Utility Class)

### Purpose

Centralizes **Lucene field names** used during indexing and searching.

### Responsibilities

- Avoid hardcoded strings
  - Ensure consistency across index operations
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## 2. Relationship Explanation

### 2.1 Interface & Inheritance Relationships

- `LuceneIndexManager` **implements** `IndexManager`  
→ Provides a Lucene-based implementation.
- `WebloggerException` **extends** `RollerException`  
→ Specializes general exception handling.
- `InitializationException` **extends** `WebloggerException`  
→ Further specialization for startup errors.
- `IndexOperation` **implements** `Runnable`  
→ Allows index operations to run asynchronously or in threads.
- `WriteToIndexOperation` and `ReadFromIndexOperation` **extend** `IndexOperation`  
→ Separate read and write concerns for concurrency control.

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## 2.2 Composition & Association

- `IndexManager *-- SearchResultList`  
→ Search results are created and owned by the index manager.
- `LuceneIndexManager --> Weblogger`  
→ Depends on application context for configuration and data access.
- `IndexOperation --> LuceneIndexManager`  
→ Operations execute under the control of the index manager.
- `Add/Remove/ReIndex/Rebuild operations --> Weblog / WeblogEntry`  
→ Each operation acts on domain objects.

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## 2.3 Dependency Relationships

- `IndexManager -----> WebloggerException`  
→ Index methods may throw application-level exceptions.
- `URLStrategy ..> IndexManager`  
→ URL generation supports search results produced by indexing.
- `LuceneIndexManager ..> URLStrategy`  
→ Needed to construct URLs in search results.
- `SearchOperation ..> IndexSearcher, TopFieldDocs`  
→ Uses Lucene search APIs internally.
- `IndexOperation ..> FieldConstants`  
→ Uses consistent field names for indexing/searching.

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## 2.4 Concurrency & Locking Design



- `WriteToIndexOperation ..> LuceneIndexManager : write lock`  
→ Prevents concurrent writes and ensures index consistency.
- `ReadFromIndexOperation ..> LuceneIndexManager : read lock`  
→ Allows multiple parallel searches while blocking writes.

This design ensures **thread safety and performance**.

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### 3. High-Level Design Summary (One-liner)

The system uses **interfaces for flexibility**, **template methods for consistency**, **operation objects for modularity**, and **read/write locks for concurrency**, making the indexing architecture scalable, maintainable, and robust.

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