

Polymorphism in Java – Contd.

Abstraction & Interfaces!

CS 171: Intro to Computer Science II

Me: *explains polymorphism*

Friend: So the subclass the same thing as the superclass?

Me:



Reminder: A1 due this Wed 2/15

- Due Wed 2/15 at 11:59PM
!! Remember !! if you submit even a second after 11:59pm it will be considered a late submission; you will use your late-token!
- Submit early to Gradescope to make sure your code compiles and passes test-cases
- Review Submission Checklist at the end of A1 handout!

Polymorphism: Review



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- A. `Employee emp = new Employee("Kiko");`
`SalariedEmployee sEmp = (SalariedEmployee) emp;`
- B. `SalariedEmployee sEmp = new SalariedEmployee("Ron", 100.0);`
`Employee emp = sEmp;`
- C. `SalariedEmployee sEmp = new SalariedEmployee("Ron", 100.0);`
`Employee emp = (Employee) sEmp;`
- D. A and B
- E. B and C
- F. A and C
- G. A, B, and C

Polymorphism: Review



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- B. `SalariedEmployee sEmp = new SalariedEmployee("Ron", 100.0);`
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Dynamic Dispatch



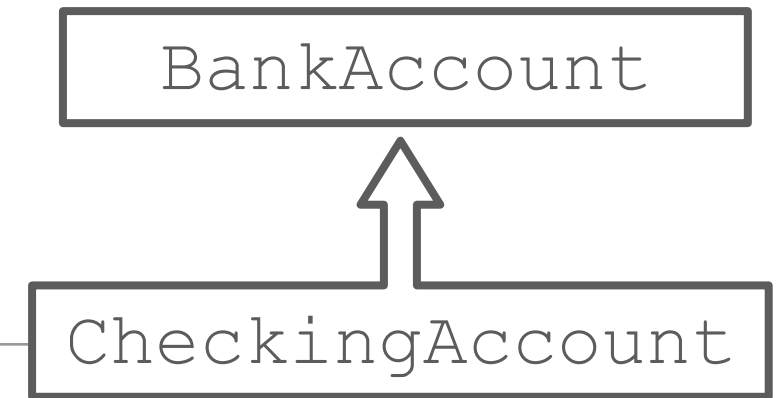
- What about methods of the `CheckingAccount` class that **override** methods of the `BankAccount` class? Which version is used?
- *Dynamic dispatch*: Java makes a runtime decision to call the method version associated with the actual type of the referenced object (not the declared type)

`BankAccount x = new CheckingAccount();`

Q: which version of method `deposit` will `x.deposit(100)` invoke?

Answer: The `CheckingAccount` version!

instanceof



- Operator that tests at runtime if an instance satisfies a particular type

```
BankAccount x = new BankAccount();
boolean b = x instanceof BankAccount; //true
b = x instanceof CheckingAccount; //false
```

```
x = new CheckingAccount();
b = x instanceof CheckingAccount; //true
b = x instanceof BankAccount; //true!
```

Rule: `x instanceof ClassName` evaluates to `true` if `x` references an object belonging to the `ClassName` class or any further subclass of `ClassName`

Q from last week: Why does this narrowing conversion generate an exception?

```
Employee emp = new Employee("Kiko");  
SalariedEmployee sEmp = (SalariedEmployee) emp;  
// narrowing conversion (not allowed)
```

Recall that a SalariedEmployee is instantiated with a specific name and a salary. What's the salary for "emp" in this case?

See Code Example (all scenarios included): [PolymorphicEmployee.java](#)

Me: *explains polymorphism*

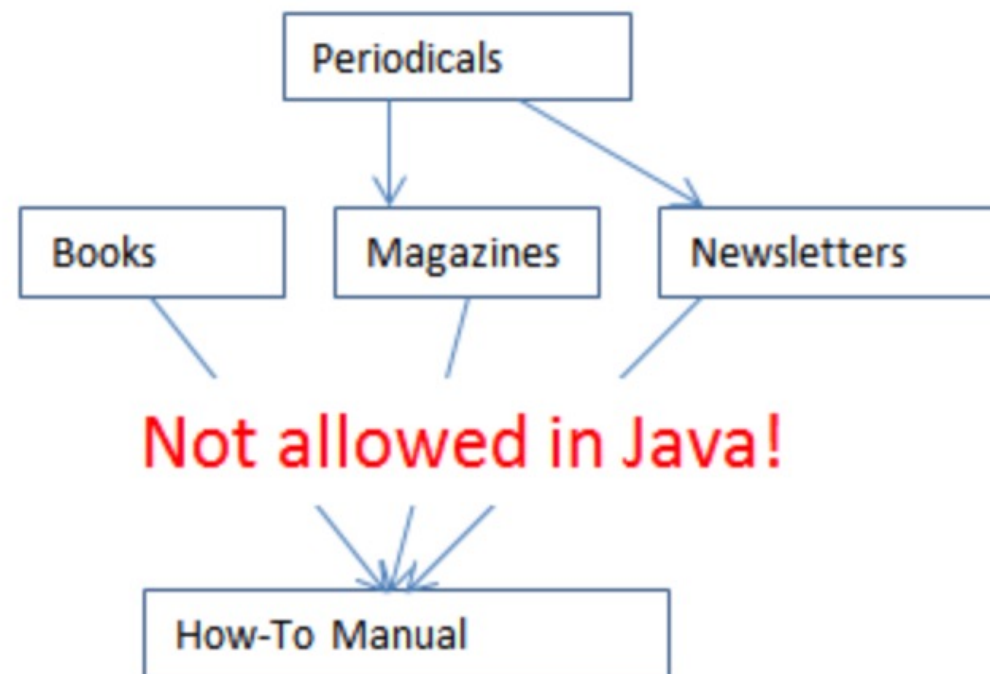
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Limitations of Inheritance

- Can I inherit from more than one parent class?



Inheritance: Limitations [1/2]

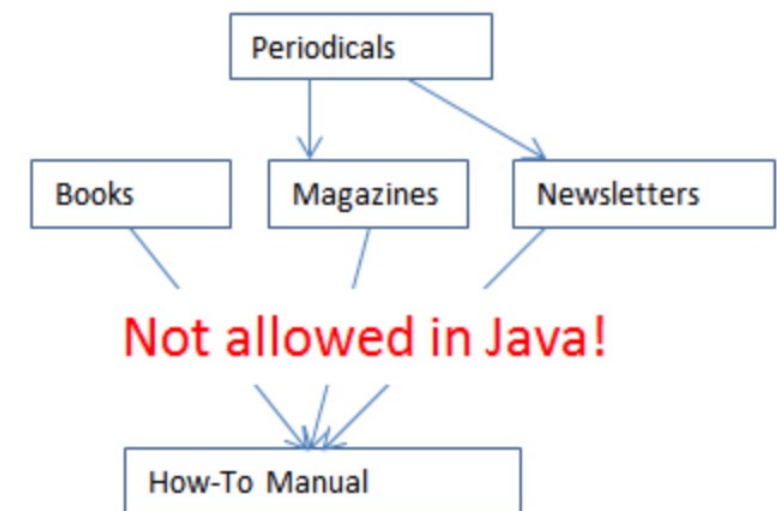
- What if I want to inherit from more than one parent class?

- In biology: possible



- In Java: prohibited

- You can't inherit from multiple classes



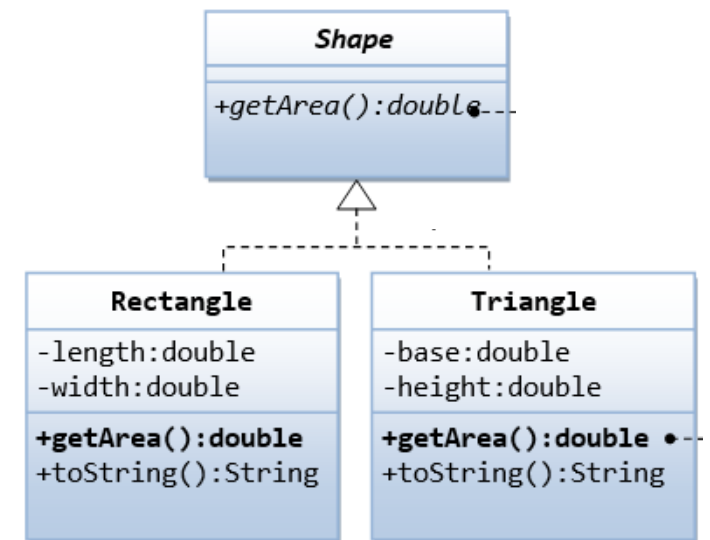
Inheritance: Limitations [2/2]

- What if we **don't** want to allow creation of superclass objects?
- E.g.: Bank doesn't want customers to open a general BankAccount!
- Or, only *particular* shapes makes sense, not some *generic* shape

✗ `Shape sh = new Shape();`

✓ `Rectangle re = new Rectangle();`

✓ `Triangle tr = new Triangle();`



Solution: “Abstract” Classes!



Review: Object-Oriented Programming

The Four Pillars



First: Abstract methods

- In Java: You can declare a method *without* defining it

public **abstract** double getArea();

➔ Notice the body of the method **{ ... }** is missing!

- A method that has been declared but not *defined* is an **abstract method**


Abstract class

- Any class containing *one or more* abstract methods is an **abstract class**
- You must declare the class with the keyword **abstract**:

abstract class MyClass {...}

- An abstract class is incomplete!
 - ➔ Has “missing” method bodies
 - ➔ You cannot **instantiate** (create a new instance of) an abstract class

Why have abstract classes?

- You can **extend** (subclass) an abstract class
- If subclass **defines all inherited abstract methods**, it is “complete” and can be instantiated 


```
CompleteSubClass sc = new CompleteSubClass ();
```
- If subclass does **not define all** inherited abstract methods, it too **must be abstract** (& can't be instantiated!)



It gets more interesting...

- You can declare a class to be **abstract** even if it doesn't contain any abstract methods!

```
SomeAbstractClass sc = new SomeAbstractClass ();
```


→ Prevents the class from being **instantiated!** 

Think about using abstract classes when something needs to be there
but not exactly sure how objects should look

Rules for Java Abstract class



1

An abstract class must be declared with an abstract keyword.

2

It can have abstract and non-abstract methods.

3

It cannot be instantiated.

4

It can have final methods

5

It can have constructors and static methods also.

Example: An Abstract Car

Cannot
instantiate an
AbstractCar
object!

```
public abstract class AbstractCar{
    private String brand;
    private String model;
    private String color;
    private double mileage;

    public AbstractCar(String b, String m, String c){
        brand = b;
        model = m;
        color = c;
        mileage = 0;
    }

    public String toString(){
        return brand + " model " + model + " in " + color;
    }

    public void run(double miles){
        mileage += miles;
    }

    public double getMileage(){
        return mileage;
    }

    public abstract void driveSelf(double miles);
}
```

Honda: Extending AbstractCar

```
public class Honda extends AbstractCar {  
    public Honda(String model, String color) {  
        super("Honda", model, color);  
    }  
  
    public void driveSelf(double miles) {  
        System.out.println("Driving an awesome Honda");  
        run(miles);  
        System.out.println("Number of miles on the car:" + getMileage());  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        AbstractCar accord = new Honda("Accord", "Green");  
        AbstractCar crv = new Honda("CRV", "Blue");  
  
        accord.driveSelf(100);  
        crv.driveSelf(20);  
    }  
}
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```

- Q: Can AbstractCar be instantiated?
 - No (it's an abstract class)
- Can Honda be instantiated?
 - Yes



Practical Usages of Abstract Classes

1. You are unsure of how a method should be defined/implemented for that class
2. You don't want the possibility of objects of that type being created (e.g. bank doesn't want customers creating a general bank account)

Question

Can a Java class be **abstract** and **final**?

A. Yes

✓ B. No



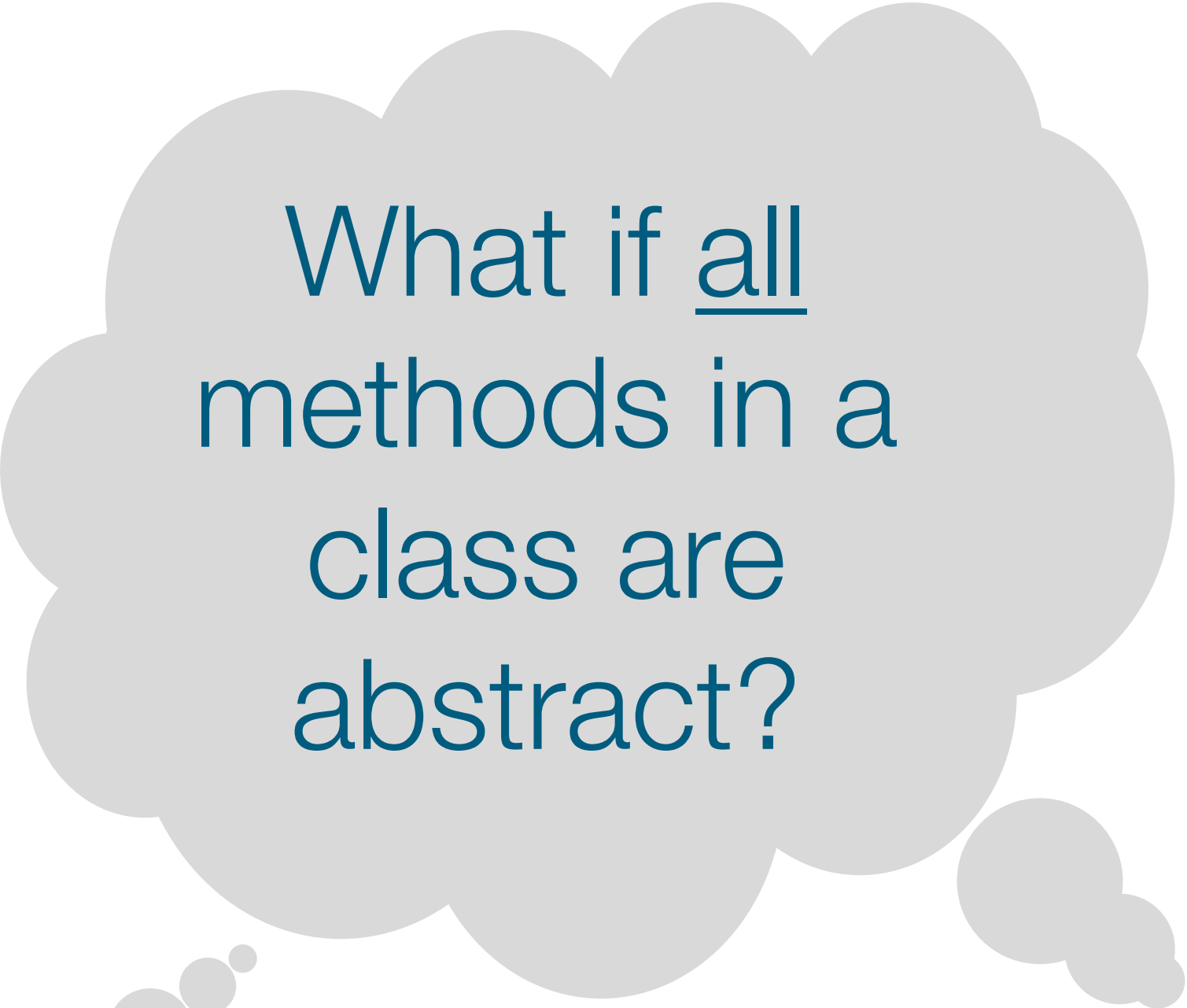
Question

Can a Java method be **abstract** and **final**?

A. Yes

✓ B. No





What if all
methods in a
class are
abstract?



Declare it as
interface

Interface

- Implies **100% abstraction** (no implemented methods)
- Reference type similar to class (but not a class!)
- Collection of **abstract** methods or group of related methods with empty bodies
- Can contain variables but must be **static** and **final** (can't be changed)
- Cannot be instantiated or contain any constructors

Example: Shape Interface

```
interface Shape{  
    public double getArea();  
  
    public int getNumSides();  
    ...  
}
```

Interfaces tell the world: what is the **functionality (behavior)** that should be offered -- irrespective of underlying implementation!

Square implements Shape

You **extend** a *class*, but
you **implement** an *interface*

```
public class Square implements Shape{
    private static final int numSides = 4;
    private double sideLength;

    public Square(){
        sideLength = 1.0;
    }

    public Square(double sideLength){
        this.sideLength = sideLength;
    }

    public double getNumSides(){
        return numSides;
    }

    public double getArea(){
        return sideLength * sideLength;
    }

    public double getPerimeter(){
        return 4*sideLength;
    }
}
```

implements = signing a binding contract!

- When you say a class **implements** an interface, you are promising to **define** all the methods that were **declared** in the interface!

Why interfaces?

- A class can only **extend** one other class, but it can **implement** multiple interfaces
 - This lets the class fill multiple “roles”
 - Example:

```
class MyApp extends App
    implements ActionListener, KeyListener {
    ...
}
```

// Now you must implement ALL methods in both ActionListener and KeyListener!

instanceof

- **instanceof** is a keyword that tells you whether a variable “is a” member of a class or interface
- For example, if

class Dog extends Animal implements Pet {...}

Dog fido = new Dog();

which of the following is true?

fido instanceof Dog

fido instanceof Animal // superclass!

fido instanceof Pet // interface!

(Answer: ALL of them are true!)

Abstract Class vs. Interface

- Abstract Classes can have constructors, instance variables, & concrete methods (i.e. non-abstract); *interfaces can't!*
- Abstract Classes are *extended* by a subclass which **may** implement the abstract methods, but doesn't have to.
- Interfaces are *implemented* by another class which **must** implement its abstract methods.



Question

A class can **implement** more than one interface.

✓ A. True

B. False



Question

A class **ClassA** can **extend** an interface **ClassB** by declaring that, and by implementing any abstract methods in **ClassB**.



A. True

✓ B. False

Review of some OOP concepts

- A **class** is like a definition of a type in Java.
- An **instance** of an object of a given class can be created using a **constructor** and the **new** operator.
- Instances are accessed through **reference variables**.
- A **subclass** can extend a **superclass** and use its methods and instance variables through **inheritance** and **polymorphism**.
- **Abstract classes** contain at least one **abstract method** and must be **extended** by a subclass that defines the abstract methods.
- **Interfaces** are 100% **abstraction** and provide a template for another class to **implement** all of the methods defined in the interface.

Let's talk about Exceptions

- Unhandled exceptions cause the code to terminate
- Reminder: how to handle Exceptions

```
try{  
    // block of code that may throw exception  
}  
catch(Exception e){  
    // deal with exception here  
}
```

Exceptions Hierarchy

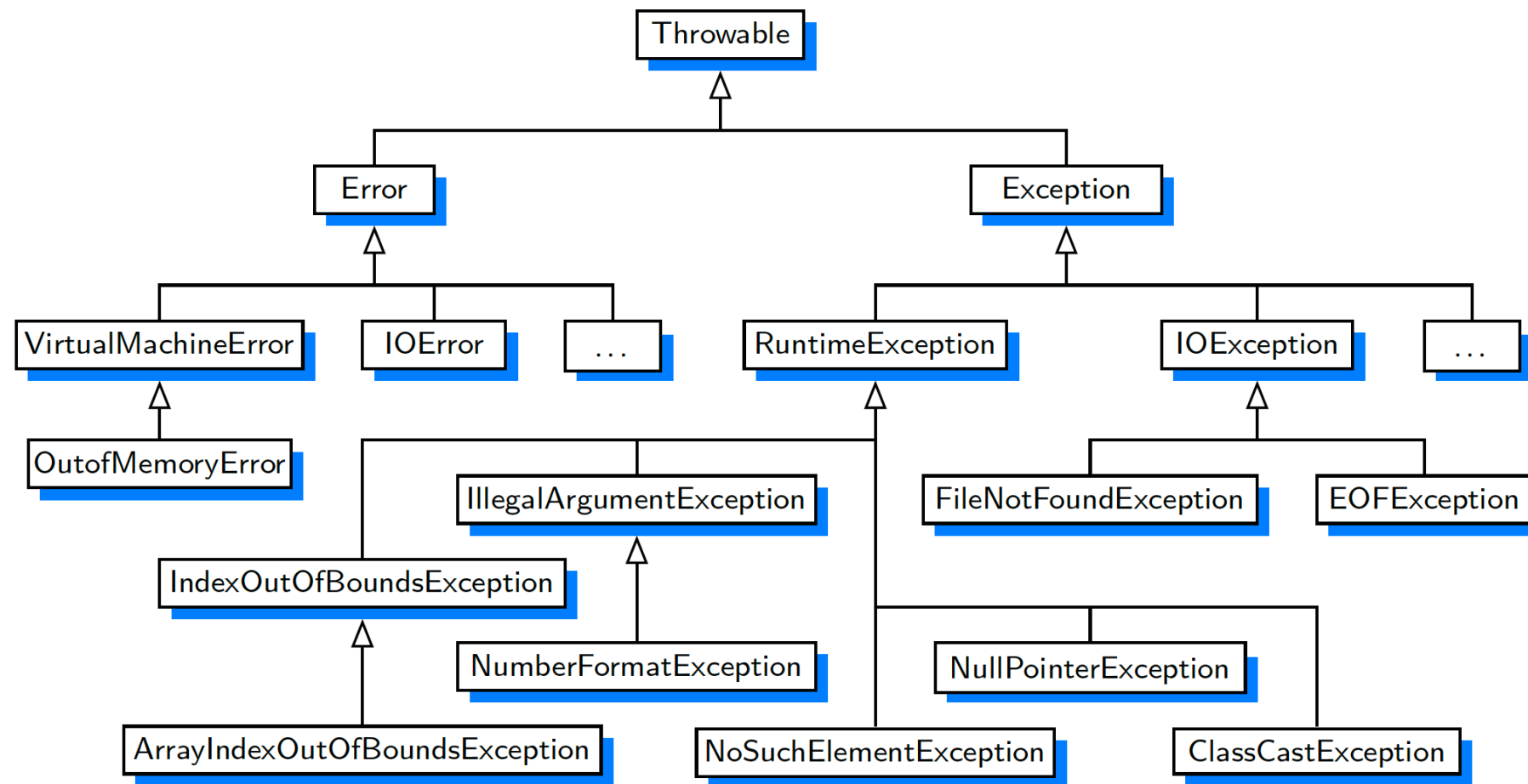


Figure 2.7: A small portion of Java's hierarchy of Throwable types.

Example: IndexOutOfBoundsException

java.lang

Class IndexOutOfBoundsException

java.lang.Object

java.lang.Throwable

java.lang.Exception

java.lang.RuntimeException

java.lang.IndexOutOfBoundsException

All Implemented Interfaces:

Serializable

Direct Known Subclasses:

ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException, StringIndexOutOfBoundsException

Exceptions & Polymorphism

- Can catch a more general exception
- “Catch-all:” use Exception itself

```
try {  
    System.out.println(myNumbers[10]); // throws ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException!  
}  
catch(ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException e){  
    System.out.println("Error! Bad index: " + e.getMessage());  
}  
catch(Exception e){  
    System.out.println("Some other error occurred: " + e.getMessage());  
}
```