

# Java Troubleshooting and Diagnostic

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# Dealing with Errors

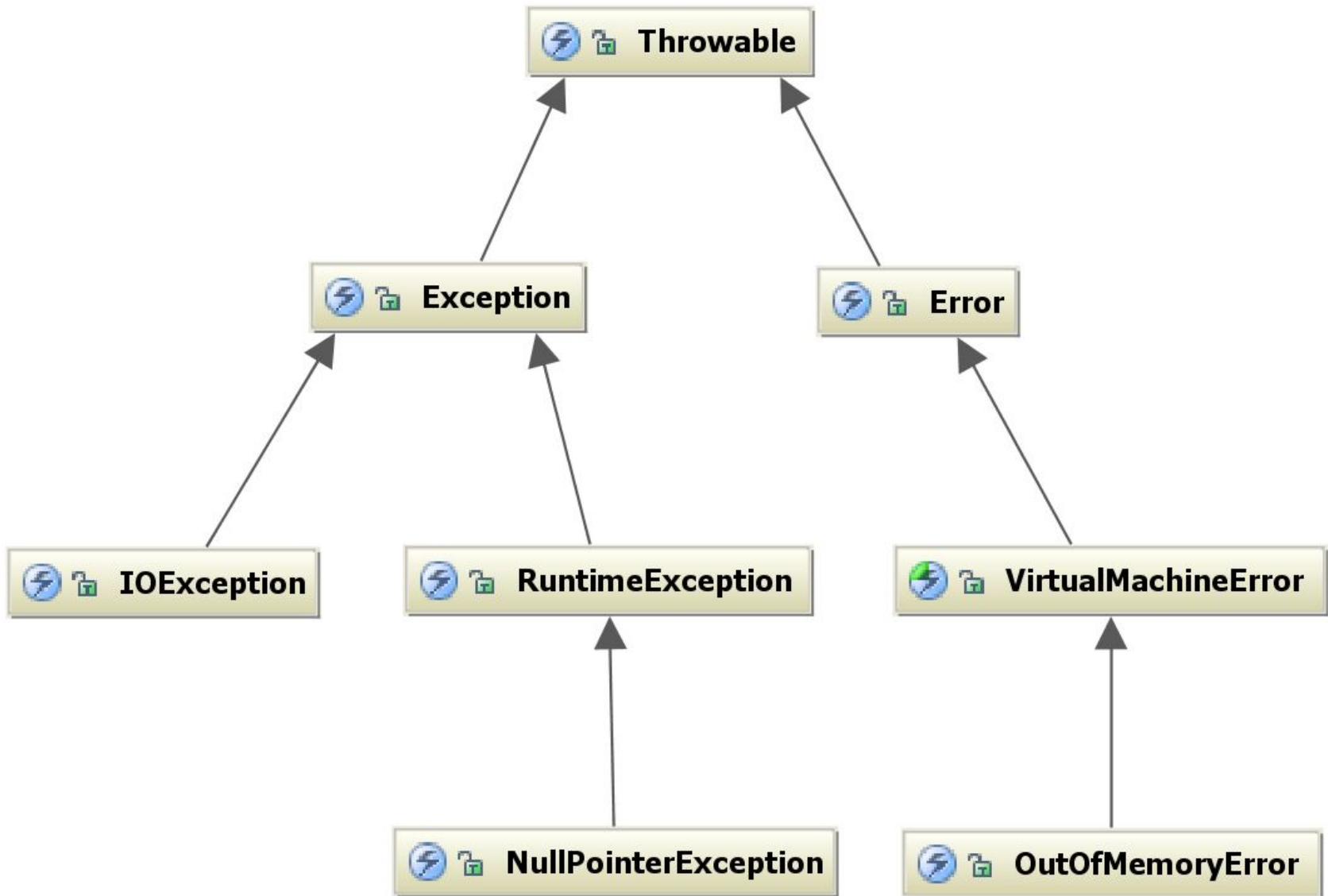
**User input errors:** In addition to the inevitable typos, some users like to blaze their own trail instead of following directions. Suppose, for example, that a user asks to connect to a URL that is syntactically wrong. Your code should check the syntax, but suppose it does not. Then the network package will complain.

**Device errors:** Hardware does not always do what you want it to. The printer may be turned off. A web page may be temporarily unavailable. Devices will often fail in the middle of a task. For example, a printer may run out of paper in the middle of a printout.

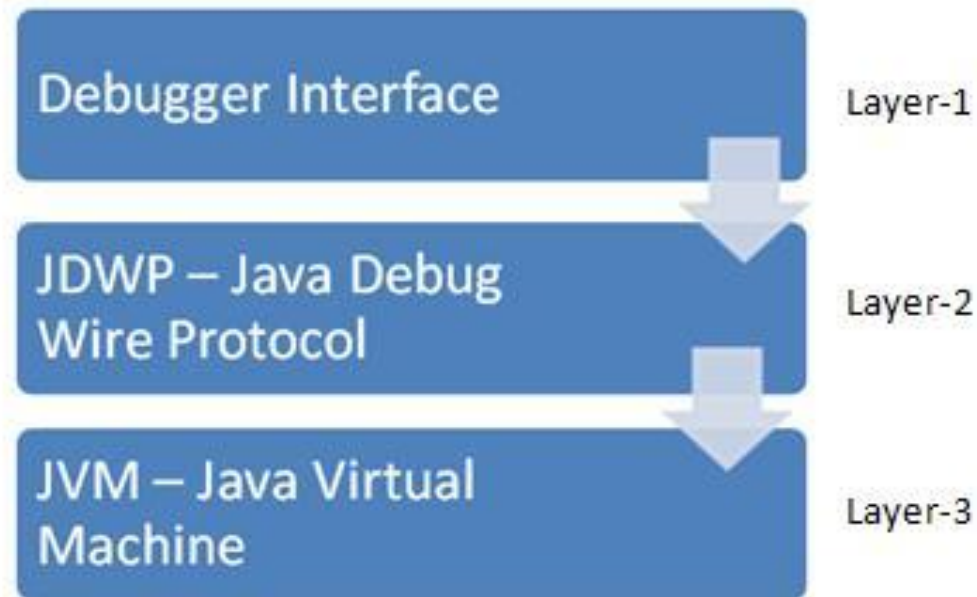
**Physical limitations:** Disks can fill up; you can run out of available memory.

**Code errors:** A method may not perform correctly. For example, it could deliver wrong answers or use other methods incorrectly. Computing an invalid array index, trying to find a nonexistent entry in a hash table, and trying to pop an empty stack are all examples of a code error.

# The Classification of Exceptions



# Java Platform Debugger Architecture



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# JVM Debug Parameters

## Modern JVMs

-agentlib:jdwp=transport=dt\_socket,server=y,suspend=n,address=5005

## For JDK 1.4.x

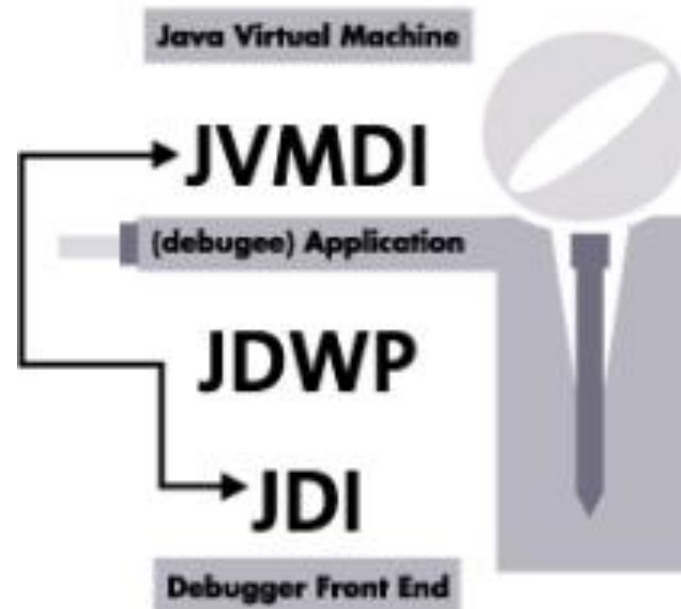
-Xdebug -Xrunjdwp:transport=dt\_socket,server=y,suspend=n,address=5005

## For JDK 1.3.x or earlier

-Xnoagent -Djava.compiler=NONE -Xdebug

-Xrunjdwp:transport=dt\_socket,server=y,suspend=n,address=5005

# Java Platform Debugger Architecture



# Exceptions and Performance

```
Stack s = new Stack();
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < 10000000; i++) {  
    if (!s.isEmpty()) {  
        s.pop();  
    }  
}
```

**15  
millisecon  
d**

```
for (int i = 0; i < 10000000; i++) {  
    try {  
        s.pop();  
    } catch (EmptyStackException ex) {}  
}
```

**3000  
millisecon  
d**

# HotSpot Compilers

**Note:**

Check your production environment VM options !  
Are you running HotSpot VM using client or server compilers !?



- HotSpot Client VM:

```
java version "1.5.0_11"  
Java(TM) 2 Runtime Environment, Standard Edition (build 1.5.0_11-b03)  
Java HotSpot(TM) Client VM (build 1.5.0_11-b03, mixed mode, sharing)
```

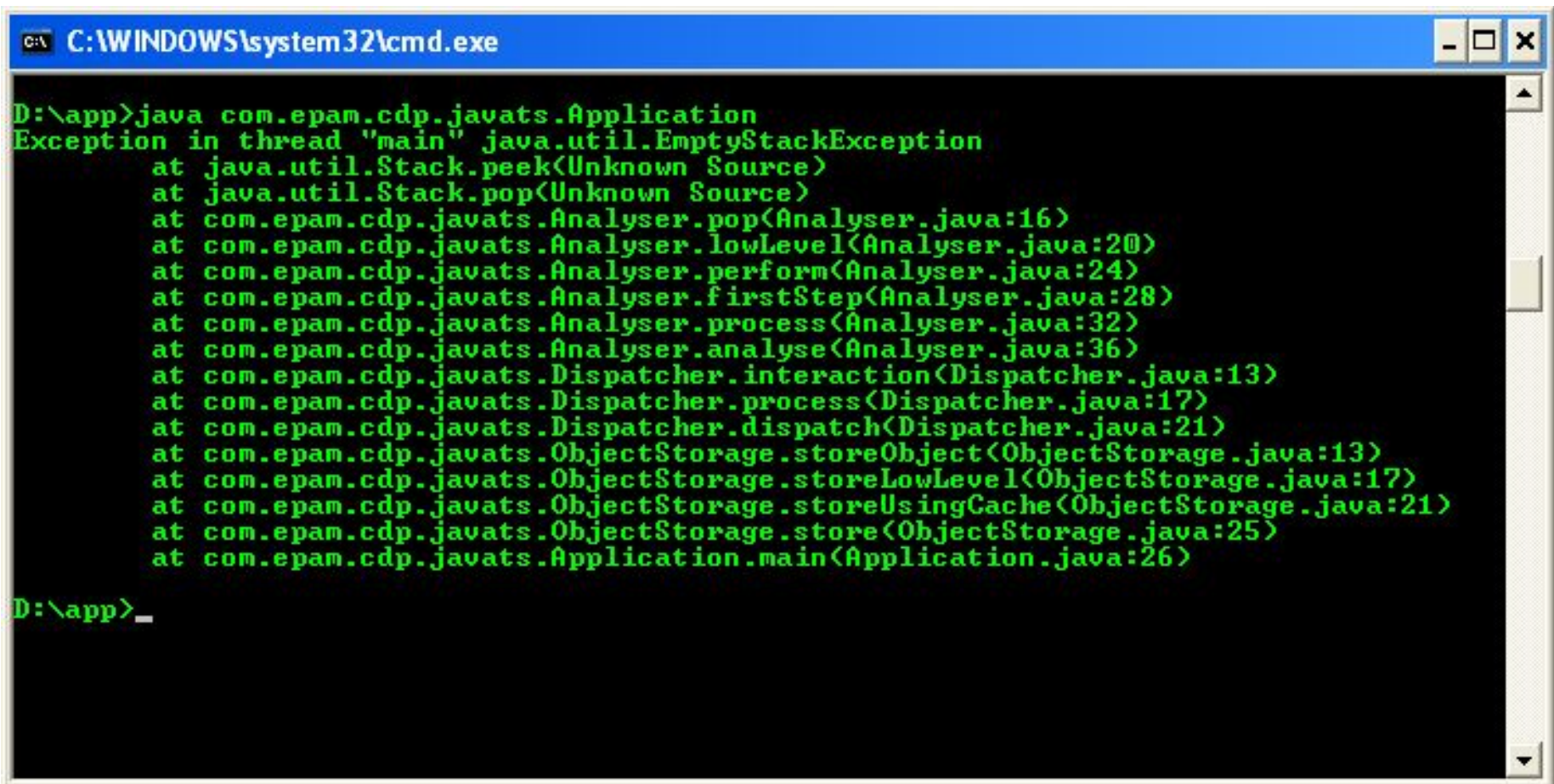
- HotSpot Server VM:

```
java version "1.5.0_11"  
Java(TM) 2 Runtime Environment, Standard Edition (build 1.5.0_11-b03)  
Java HotSpot(TM) Server VM (build 1.5.0_11-b03, mixed mode)
```



# What is a Java stack trace?

**Java stack trace** is a user-friendly snapshot of the Java thread.



```
C:\WINDOWS\system32\cmd.exe

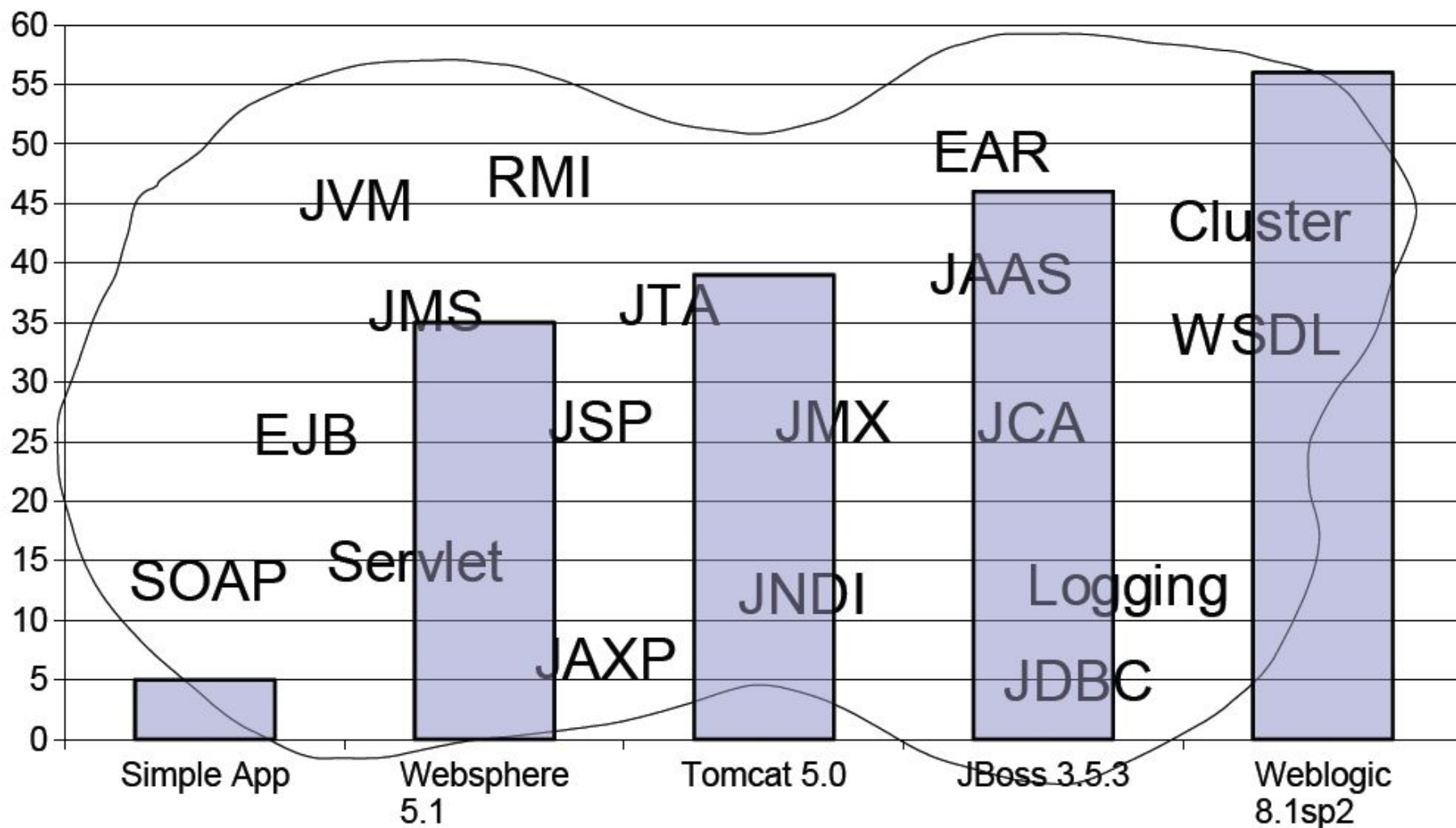
D:\app>java com.epam.cdp.javats.Application
Exception in thread "main" java.util.EmptyStackException
    at java.util.Stack.peek(Unknown Source)
    at java.util.Stack.pop(Unknown Source)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.Analyser.pop(Analyser.java:16)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.Analyser.lowLevel(Analyser.java:20)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.Analyser.perform(Analyser.java:24)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.Analyser.firstStep(Analyser.java:28)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.Analyser.process(Analyser.java:32)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.Analyser.analyse(Analyser.java:36)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.Dispatcher.interaction(Dispatcher.java:13)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.Dispatcher.process(Dispatcher.java:17)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.Dispatcher.dispatch(Dispatcher.java:21)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.ObjectStorage.storeObject(ObjectStorage.java:13)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.ObjectStorage.storeLowLevel(ObjectStorage.java:17)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.ObjectStorage.storeUsingCache(ObjectStorage.java:21)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.ObjectStorage.store(ObjectStorage.java:25)
    at com.epam.cdp.javats.Application.main(Application.java:26)

D:\app>_
```

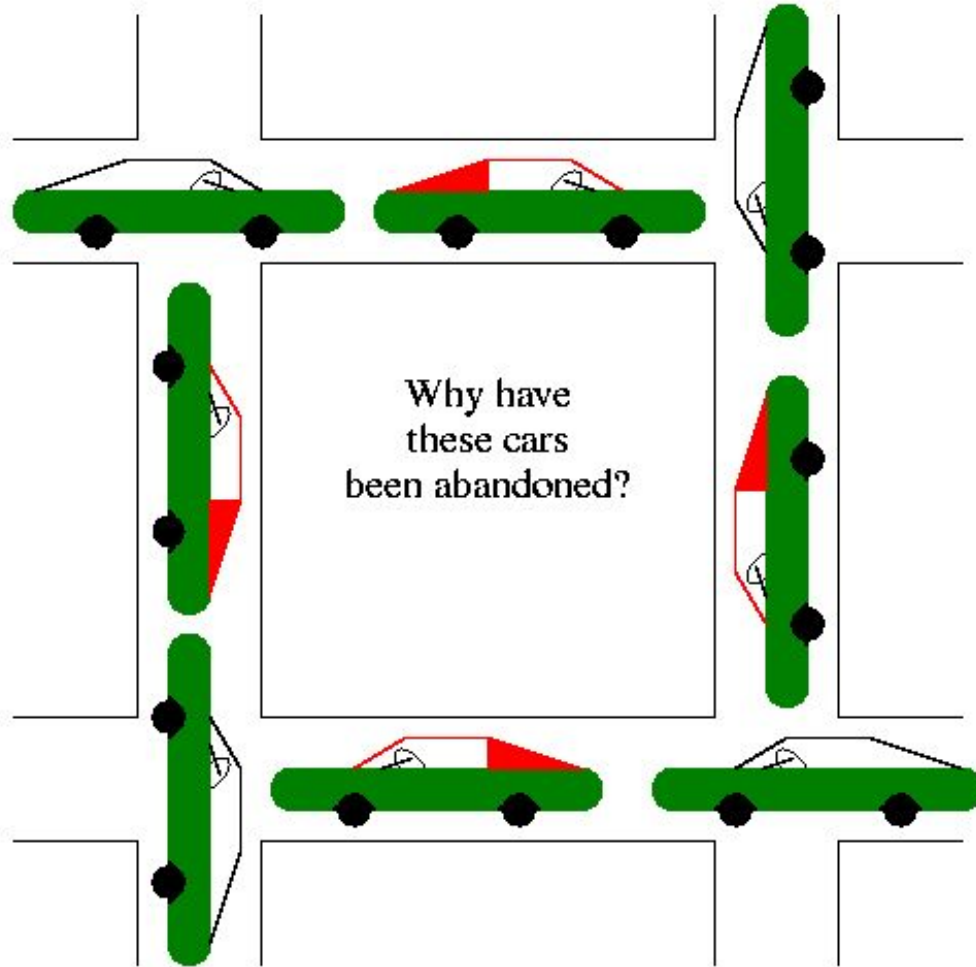
# Java Bytecode Debugging Information

- source**      Source file debugging information
- lines**      Line number debugging information
- vars**      Local variable debugging information

# Thread Count (Default Configuration)



# Deadlock



# Expert's Checklist

**For hanging, deadlocked or frozen programs:** If you think your program is hanging, generate a stack trace and examine the threads in states MW or CW. If the program is deadlocked then some of the system threads will probably show up as the current threads, because there is nothing else for the JVM to do.

**For crashed, aborted programs:** On UNIX look for a core file. You can analyze this file in a native debugging tool such as gdb or dbx. Look for threads that have called native methods. Because Java technology uses a safe memory model, any corruption probably occurred in the native code. Remember that the JVM also uses native code, so it may not necessarily be a bug in your application.

**For busy programs:** The best course of action you can take for busy programs is to generate frequent stack traces. This will narrow down the code path that is causing the errors, and you can then start your investigation from there.

# Where Is My Stacktrace?



# How is Java Thread Dump Generated?

- By sending a signal to JVM (ctrl+break)
- Using JDK 5/6 tools (jps, jstack)
- Using debugging tools (jdb, IDEs)
- Using Java API calls
- Other ad hoc tools (e.g. adaptj StackTrace)

# Thread Dump By Sending a Signal to JVM

## UNIX:

- Ctrl+\
- kill -QUIT process\_id

## Windows:

- Ctrl+Break
- SendSignal process\_id

## Notes:

- No -Xrs in Java command line!
- SendSignal is a homemade program!



# Thread Dump Using JDK 5/6 tools

jps

```
D:\app>jps
3248 Application
800
2436 Jps
```

jstack

```
D:\app>jstack 3248
2009-03-01 17:34:06
Full thread dump Java HotSpot(TM) Client VM (1.6.0_01-b06 mixed mode, sharing):

"Low Memory Detector" daemon prio=6 tid=0x02b23000 nid=0x708 runnable [0x00000000..0x00000000]
  java.lang.Thread.State: RUNNABLE

"CompilerThread0" daemon prio=10 tid=0x02b1e400 nid=0xa4 waiting on condition [0x00000000..0x02d9f81c]
  java.lang.Thread.State: RUNNABLE

"Attach Listener" daemon prio=10 tid=0x02b1d000 nid=0x118 runnable [0x00000000..0x00000000]
  java.lang.Thread.State: RUNNABLE

"Signal Dispatcher" daemon prio=10 tid=0x02b1c400 nid=0x740 runnable [0x00000000..0x00000000]
  java.lang.Thread.State: RUNNABLE

"Finalizer" daemon prio=8 tid=0x02ade000 nid=0x100 in Object.wait() [0x02caf000..0x02caf94]
  java.lang.Thread.State: WAITING (on object monitor)
    at java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
    - waiting on <0x22edb1d8> (a java.lang.ref.ReferenceQueue$Lock)
    at java.lang.ref.ReferenceQueue.remove(ReferenceQueue.java:116)
    - locked <0x22edb1d8> (a java.lang.ref.ReferenceQueue$Lock)
    at java.lang.ref.ReferenceQueue.remove(ReferenceQueue.java:132)
    at java.lang.ref.Finalizer$FinalizerThread.run(Finalizer.java:159)

"Reference Handler" daemon prio=10 tid=0x02add000 nid=0x408 in Object.wait() [0x02c5f000..0x02c5fd14]
  java.lang.Thread.State: WAITING (on object monitor)
    at java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
    - waiting on <0x22edb268> (a java.lang.ref.Reference$Lock)
    at java.lang.Object.wait(Object.java:485)
```

# Thread Dump Using Debugging Tools

java with  
debug

```
C:\ Командная строка - java -Xdebug -Xrunjdwp:transport=dt_socket,server=y,suspend=n,ad... - □ X
C:\app>java -Xdebug -Xrunjdwp:transport=dt_socket,server=y,suspend=n,address=5432
2 com.epam.cdp.javats.Application
Listening for transport dt_socket at address: 5432
```

jdb

suspend all  
threads

get thread  
dump

```
C:\ Командная строка - jdb -connect com.sun.jdi.SocketAttach:hostname=localhost,port=5432 - □ X
C:\>jdb -connect com.sun.jdi.SocketAttach:hostname=localhost,port=5432
Set uncaught java.lang.Throwable
Set deferred uncaught java.lang.Throwable
Initializing jdb ...
> suspend
All threads suspended.
> where all
Attach Listener:
Signal Dispatcher:
Finalizer:
  [1] java.lang.Object.wait (native method)
  [2] java.lang.ref.ReferenceQueue.remove (ReferenceQueue.java:116)
  [3] java.lang.ref.ReferenceQueue.remove (ReferenceQueue.java:132)
  [4] java.lang.ref.Finalizer$FinalizerThread.run (Finalizer.java:159)
Reference Handler:
  [1] java.lang.Object.wait (native method)
  [2] java.lang.Object.wait (Object.java:485)
  [3] java.lang.ref.Reference$ReferenceHandler.run (Reference.java:116)
main:
  [1] java.util.Stack.peek (Stack.java:85)
  [2] java.util.Stack.pop (Stack.java:67)
  [3] com.epam.cdp.javats.Application.main (Application.java:31)
>
```

# Using a Debugger

<b>threads [tHReadgroup]</b>	Lists threads	<b>clear class:line</b>	Clears a breakpoint
<b>thread tHRead_id</b>	Sets default thread	<b>step</b>	Executes the current line, stepping inside calls
<b>suspend [tHRead_id(s)]</b>	Suspends threads (default: all)	<b>stepi</b>	Executes the current instruction
<b>resume [tHRead_id(s)]</b>	Resumes threads (default: all)	<b>step up</b>	Executes until the end of the current method
<b>where [thread_id] or all</b>	Dumps a thread's stack	<b>next</b>	Executes the current line, stepping over calls
<b>wherei [tHRead_id] or all</b>	Dumps a thread's stack and program counter info	<b>cont</b>	Continues execution from breakpoint
<b>tHReadgroups</b>	Lists thread groups	<b>catch class</b>	Breaks for the specified exception
<b>tHReadgroup name</b>	Sets current thread group	<b>ignore class</b>	Ignores the specified exception
<b>print name(s)</b>	Prints object or field	<b>list [line]</b>	Prints source code
<b>dump name(s)</b>	Prints all object information	<b>use [path]</b>	Displays or changes the source path
<b>locals</b>	Prints all current local variables	<b>memory</b>	Reports memory usage
<b>classes</b>	Lists currently known classes	<b>gc</b>	Frees unused objects
<b>methods class</b>	Lists a class's methods	<b>load class</b>	Loads Java class to be debugged
<b>stop in class.method</b>	Sets a breakpoint in a method	<b>run [class [args]]</b>	Starts execution of a loaded Java class
<b>stop at class:line</b>	Sets a breakpoint at a line	<b>!!</b>	Repeats last command
<b>up [n]</b>	Moves up a thread's stack	<b>help (or ?)</b>	Lists commands
<b>down [n]</b>	Moves down a thread's stack	<b>exit (or quit)</b>	Exits debugger

# Using Java API calls

- **Throwable.printStackTrace()**
- **Thread.dumpStack()**
- Since Java 1.5: **Thread.getState()**
- Since Java 1.5: **Thread.getStackTrace()**
- Since Java 1.5: **Thread.getAllStackTraces()**

# Thread Dump Analyser

D:\Downloads\dining-philosophers-threaddump.txt

- Logfile
- Dump No. 1 at line 1
  - Threads (19 Threads overall)
  - Threads sleeping on Monitors (12 Threads sleeping)
  - Threads locking Monitors (12 Threads locking)
  - Monitors (12 Monitors)

Name	Type	Prio	Thread-ID	Native-ID	State	Address Range
Thread-7	Task	4	189276704	5488	in Object.wait()	[0x0bbc0000..0x0bbcfae8]
Thread-6	Task	4	189274120	2692	in Object.wait()	[0x0bb8f000..0x0bb8fb68]
Thread-5	Task	4	189260560	5756	in Object.wait()	[0x0bb4f000..0x0bb4fbe8]
Thread-4	Task	4	189257736	5936	in Object.wait()	[0x0bb0f000..0x0bb0fc68]
Thread-3	Task	4	189271256	4548	in Object.wait()	[0x0bacf000..0x0bacfce8]
AWT-EventQueue-1	Task	4	189194704	5832	in Object.wait()	[0x0ba4f000..0x0ba4fa68]
DestroyJavaVM	Task	6	2518464	4376	waiting on condition	[0x00000000..0x0006fae8]
AWT-EventQueue-0	Task	6	189079392	4684	in Object.wait()	[0x0b82f000..0x0b82fbe8]
thread applet-concurrency/diners/Diners.class	Task	4	188525376	4256	in Object.wait()	[0x0b7ef000..0x0b7efb68]
AWT-Windows	Daemon	6	180947768	4388	runnable	[0x0af0f000..0x0af0fce8]
AWT-Shutdown	Task	6	180946816	2012	in Object.wait()	[0x0aecf000..0x0aecfd68]
Java2D Disposer	Daemon	10	180890280	4116	in Object.wait()	[0x0ae8f000..0x0ae8f9e8]
Low Memory Detector	Daemon	6	11095664	4152	runnable	[0x00000000..0x00000000]
CompilerThread0	Daemon	10	11090544	4808	waiting on condition	[0x00000000..0x0abcfc8]
Signal Dispatcher	Daemon	10	11087400	5820	waiting on condition	[0x00000000..0x00000000]
Finalizer	Daemon	8	11050192	4164	in Object.wait()	[0x0ab4f000..0x0ab4fc68]
Reference Handler	Daemon	10	11044960	4204	in Object.wait()	[0x0ab0f000..0x0ab0fce8]
VM Thread	Task	10	11034008	4144	runnable	<no address range>
VM Periodic Task Thread	Task	10	11100360	5300	waiting on condition	<no address range>

```
"AWT-EventQueue-0" prio=6 tid=0x0b451f60 nid=0x124c in Object.wait() [0x0b82f000..0x0b82fbe8]
  at java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
  - waiting on <0x0300a858> (a java.awt.EventQueue)
  at java.lang.Object.wait(Object.java:474)
  at java.awt.EventQueue.getNextEvent(EventQueue.java:345)
  - locked <0x0300a858> (a java.awt.EventQueue)
  at java.awt.EventDispatchThread.pumpOneEventForHierarchy(EventDispatchThread.java:189)
  at java.awt.EventDispatchThread.pumpEventsForHierarchy(EventDispatchThread.java:163)
  at java.awt.EventDispatchThread.pumpEvents(EventDispatchThread.java:157)
  at java.awt.EventDispatchThread.pumpEvents(EventDispatchThread.java:149)
  at java.awt.EventDispatchThread.run(EventDispatchThread.java:110)
```

TDA - Thread Dump Analyzer 2.1 3,8MB/4,5MB

# IBM Thread & Monitor Dump Analyser

The screenshot displays the IBM Thread and Monitor Dump Analyzer for Java interface. The main window title is "IBM Thread and Monitor Dump Analyzer for Java". The menu bar includes "File", "Analysis", "View", and "Help". The toolbar contains various icons for file operations and analysis. The "Thread Dump List" section shows a table with columns: Name, Timestamp, Runnable/Total Threads, Free/Allocated Heap(Free%), AF(SC)/GC Counter, and Monitor. The first entry is "dining-philosophers-thread..." with 3/19 threads.

File name : D:\Work\EPAM\CDP\Modules\Java Troubleshooting and Diagnostic\info\dining-philosophers-threaddump.txt

Thread Status Analysis

Status	Number of Threads : 19	Percentage
Deadlock	0	0 (%)
Runnable	3	16 (%)
Waiting on condition	4	21 (%)
Waiting on monitor	0	0 (%)
Suspended	0	0 (%)
Object.wait()	12	63 (%)
Blocked	0	0 (%)
Parked	0	0 (%)

Thread Method Analysis

Method Name	Number of Threads : 19	Percentage
java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)	12	63 (%)
NO JAVA STACK	6	32 (%)
sun.awt.windows.WToolkit.eventLoop(Native Method)	1	5 (%)

Thread Aggregation Analysis

Thread Type	Number of Threads : 19	Percentage
Thread	8	42 (%)

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Name ▲	State	NativeID	Method
AWT-EventQueue-0	in Object.wait()	0x124c	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
AWT-EventQueue-1	in Object.wait()	0x16c8	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
AWT-Shutdown	in Object.wait()	0x7dc	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
AWT-Windows	Runnable	0x1124	sun.awt.windows.WToolkit.eventLoop...
CompilerThread0	Waiting on condition	0x12c8	NO JAVA STACK
DestroyJavaVM	Waiting on condition	0x1118	NO JAVA STACK
Finalizer	in Object.wait()	0x1044	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
Java2D Disposer	in Object.wait()	0x1014	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
Low Memory Detector	Runnable	0x1038	NO JAVA STACK
Reference Handler	in Object.wait()	0x106c	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
Signal Dispatcher	Waiting on condition	0x16bc	NO JAVA STACK
Thread-3	in Object.wait()	0x11c4	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
Thread-4	in Object.wait()	0x1730	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
Thread-5	in Object.wait()	0x167c	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
Thread-6	in Object.wait()	0xa84	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
Thread-7	in Object.wait()	0x1570	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)
VM Periodic Task Thread	Waiting on condition	0x14b4	NO JAVA STACK
VM Thread	Runnable	0x1030	NO JAVA STACK
thread applet-concurren...	in Object.wait()	0x10a0	java.lang.Object.wait(Native Method)

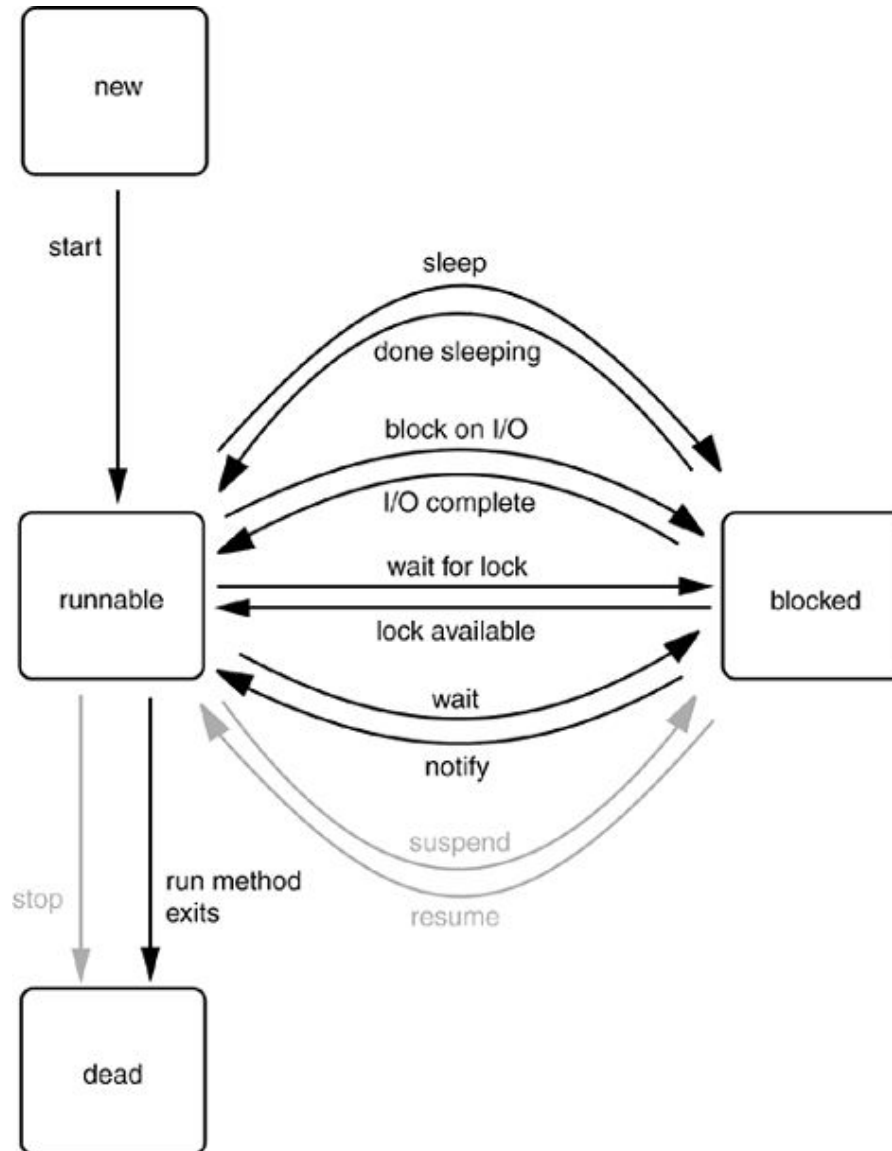
Thread Name	AWT-Windows
State	Runnable
Java Stack	at sun.awt.windows.WToolkit.eventLoop(Native Method) at sun.awt.windows.WToolkit.run(WToolkit.java:269) at java.lang.Thread.run(Thread.java:595)
Native Stack	No Native stack trace available

# Determining the Thread States

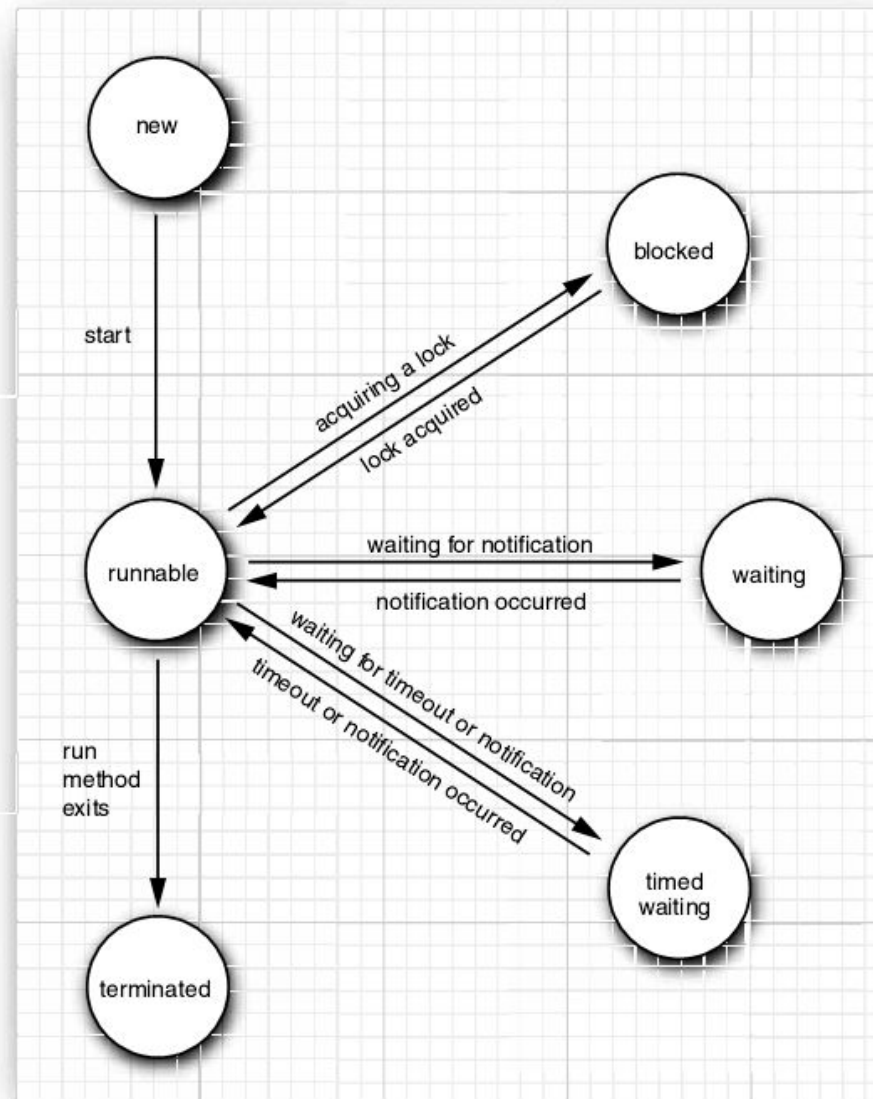
- R** Running or runnable thread
- S** Suspended thread
- CW** Thread waiting on a condition variable
- MW** Thread waiting on a monitor lock
- MS** Thread suspended waiting on a monitor lock



# Thread States



# Thread States



# Java 1.4 tools



jinfo



jmap



jstack



jconsole



jps



jstat



jdb



# Java 1.5 tools



jinfo



jmap



jstack



jconsole



jps



jstat



jdb



# Java 1.6 tools



jinfo



jmap



jstack



jconsole



jps



jstat



jdb



# Debugging Performance Issues (1)

**Symptom:** High CPU consumption and poor response time

**Thread dump profile:** Most of the dumps show the same thread in the same method or same class

**Solution:** The method/class is the one which is definitely taking a lot of CPU. See if you can optimize these calls. Some of the REALLY easy kills we have had in this category is using a `Collection.remove(Object)` where the backend collection is a `List`. Change the backed collection to be a `HashSet`. A word of caution though: There have been times when the runnable threads are innocent and the GC is the one consuming the CPU.

# Debugging Performance Issues (2)

**Symptom:** Low CPU consumption most of which is kernel time and poor response time

**Thread dump profile:** Most thread dumps have the runnable threads performing some IO operations

**Solution:** Most likely your application is IO bound. If you are reading a lot of files from the disc, see if you can implement Producer-Consumer pattern. The Producer can perform the IO operations and Consumers do the processing on the data which has been read by the producer. If you notice that most IO operations are from the data base driver, see if you can reduce the number of queries to the database or see if you can cache the results of the query locally.

# Debugging Performance Issues (3)

**Symptom:** Medium/Low CPU consumption in a highly multithreaded application

**Thread dump profile:** Most threads in most thread dumps are waiting for a monitor on same object

**Solution:** The thread dump profile says it all. See if you can: eliminate the need for synchronization [using ThreadLocal/Session-scopeobjects] or reduce the amount of code being executed within the synchronized block.



# Debugging Performance Issues (4)

**Symptom:** Medium/Low CPU consumption in a highly multithreaded application

**Thread dump profile:** Most threads in most thread dumps are waiting for a resource

**Solution:** If all the threads are choked for resources, say waiting on the pool to create EJB-bean objects/DB Connection objects, see if you can increase the pool size.

# Example 1: Deadlock

## org.apache.log4j.Category.callAppenders():

```
public void callAppenders(LoggingEvent event)
{
181     int writes = 0;
183     for (Category c = this; c != null; c = c.parent)
    {
185         synchronized (c) {
186             if (c.aai != null)
187                 writes += c.aai.appendLoopOnAppenders(event);
189             if (c.additive) break label43;
190             label43: break label66:
        }
    }
195     if (writes == 0)
196         label66: this.repository.emitNoAppenderWarning(this);
}
```

# Example 2: Performance Issue

...

at org.apache.tools.ant.DirectoryScanner.scandir(DirectoryScanner.java:1019)

at org.apache.tools.ant.DirectoryScanner.scandir(DirectoryScanner.java:1065)

at org.apache.tools.ant.DirectoryScanner.scandir(DirectoryScanner.java:1065)

at org.apache.tools.ant.DirectoryScanner.scandir(DirectoryScanner.java:1065)

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at org.apache.tools.ant.DirectoryScanner.scandir(DirectoryScanner.java:1065)

at

org.apache.tools.ant.DirectoryScanner.checkIncludePatterns(DirectoryScanner.java:836)

at org.apache.tools.ant.DirectoryScanner.scan(DirectoryScanner.java:808)

...

# JVM Memory Structure



Heap Memory

Non-Heap  
Memory

other

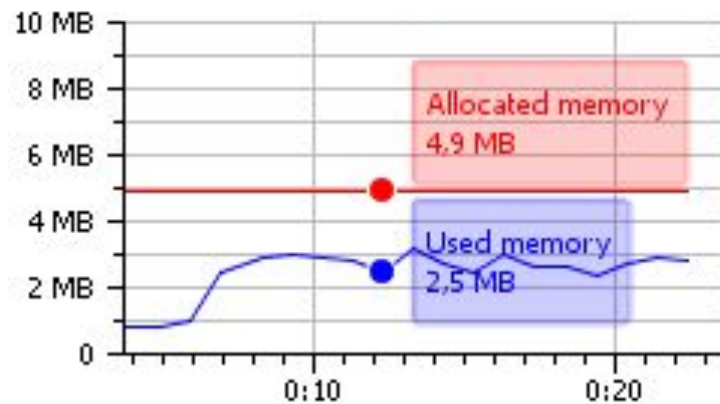
- **Eden Space**
- **Survivor Space**
- **Tenured Generation**

- **Permanent Generation**
- **Code Cache**

# Allocated and Used Memory

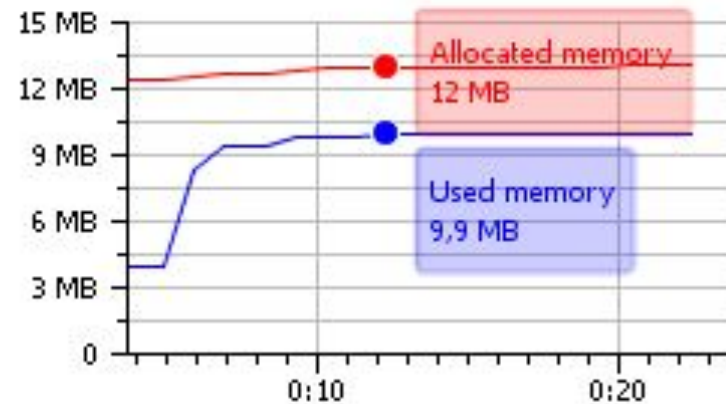
## Heap Memory

Allocated: 4,9 MB Limit: 63 MB  
Used: 2,3 MB

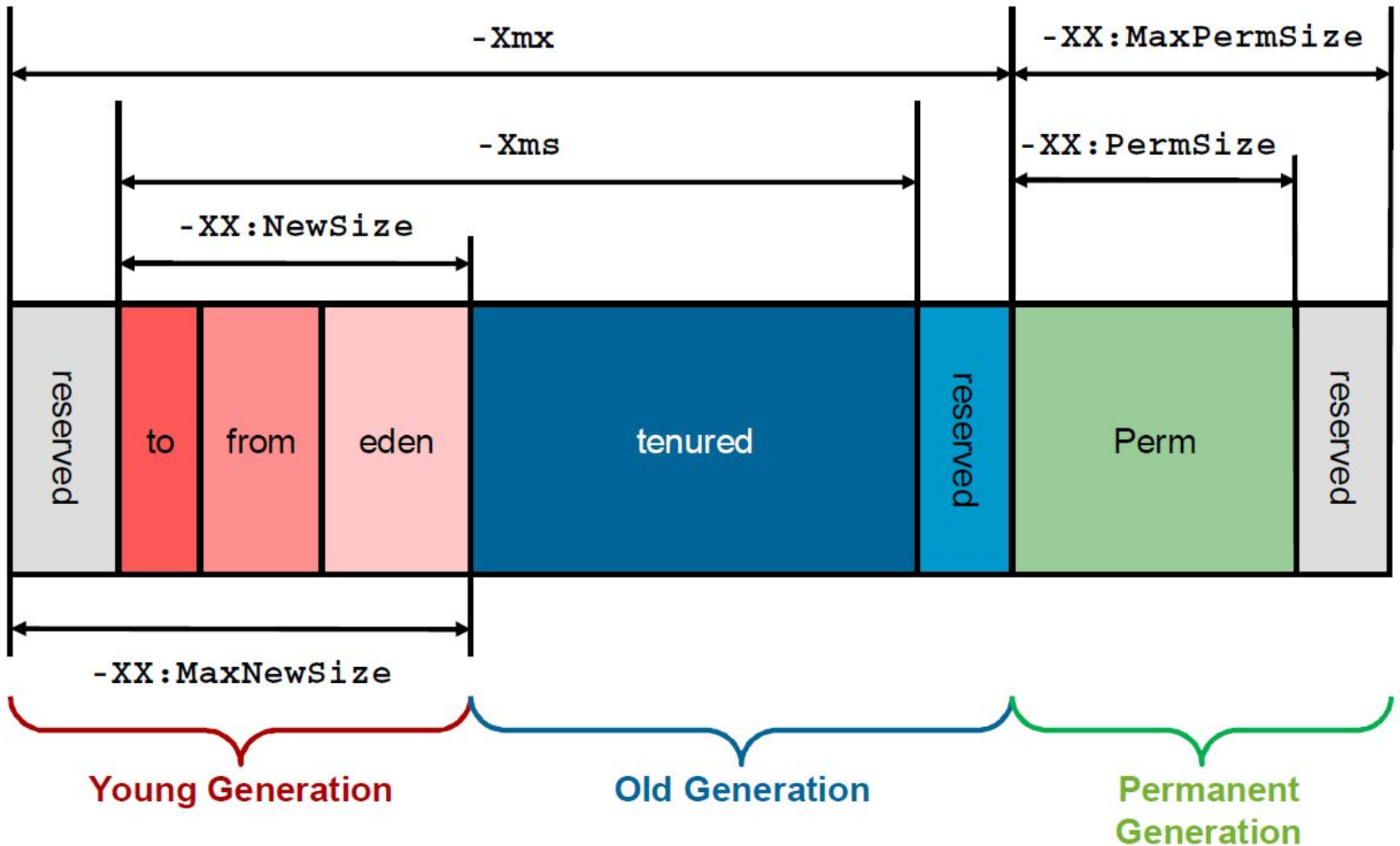


## Non Heap Memory

Allocated: 13 MB Limit: 96 MB  
Used: 10 MB



# Java Heap Memory & Tuning Options



# Heap Dump

**Typical information which can be found in heap dumps (depending on the heap dump type) is:**

## **All Objects**

Class, fields, primitive values and references

## **All Classes**

ClassLoader, name, super class, static fields

## **Garbage Collection Roots**

Objects defined to be reachable by the JVM

## **Thread Stacks and Local Variables**

The call-stacks of threads at the moment of the snapshot, and per-frame information about local objects

# Shallow vs. Retained Heap

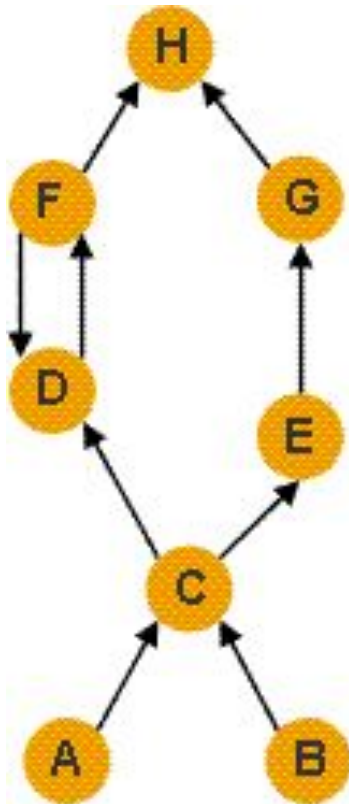
**Shallow heap** is the memory consumed by one object. An object needs 32 or 64 bits (depending on the OS architecture) per reference, 4 bytes per Integer, 8 bytes per Long, etc. Depending on the heap dump format the size may be adjusted (e.g. aligned to 8, etc...) to model better the real consumption of the VM.

**Retained set** of X is the set of objects which would be removed by GC when X is garbage collected.

**Retained heap** of X is the sum of shallow sizes of all objects in the retained set of X, i.e. memory kept alive by X.



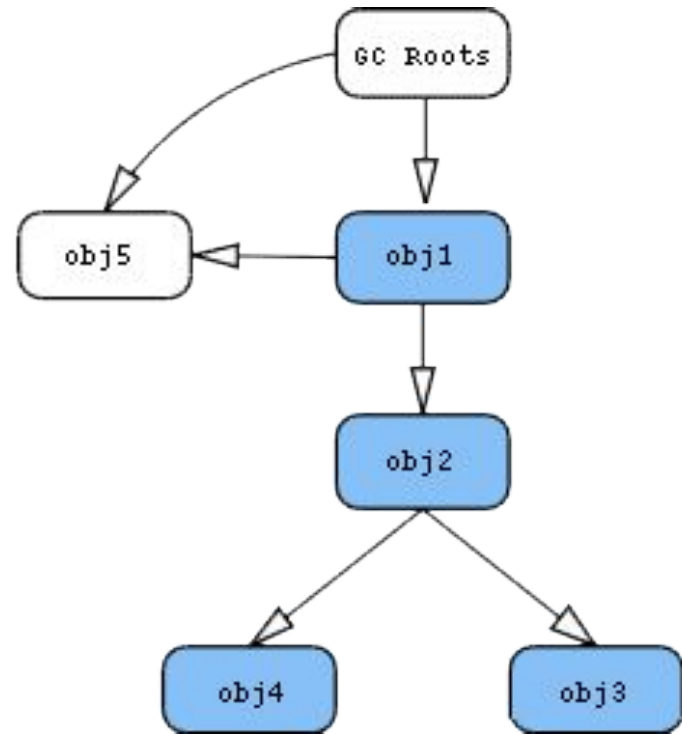
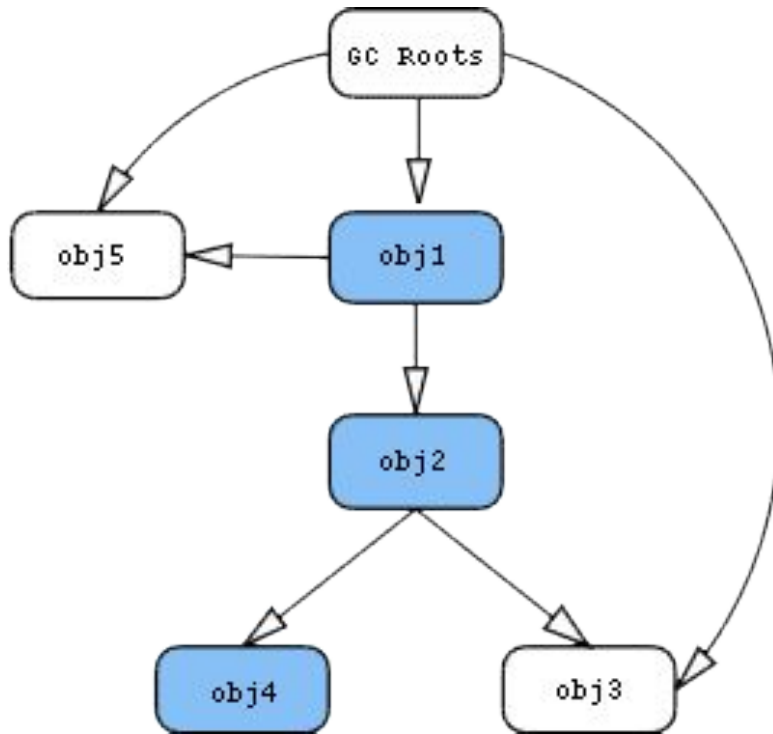
# Shallow vs. Retained Heap



**A** and **B** are **garbage collection roots**, e.g. method parameters, locally created objects, objects used for wait(), notify() or synchronized(), etc.

Leading Set	Retained Set
E	E,G
C	C,D,E,F,G,H
A,B	A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H

# Shallow and retained sizes

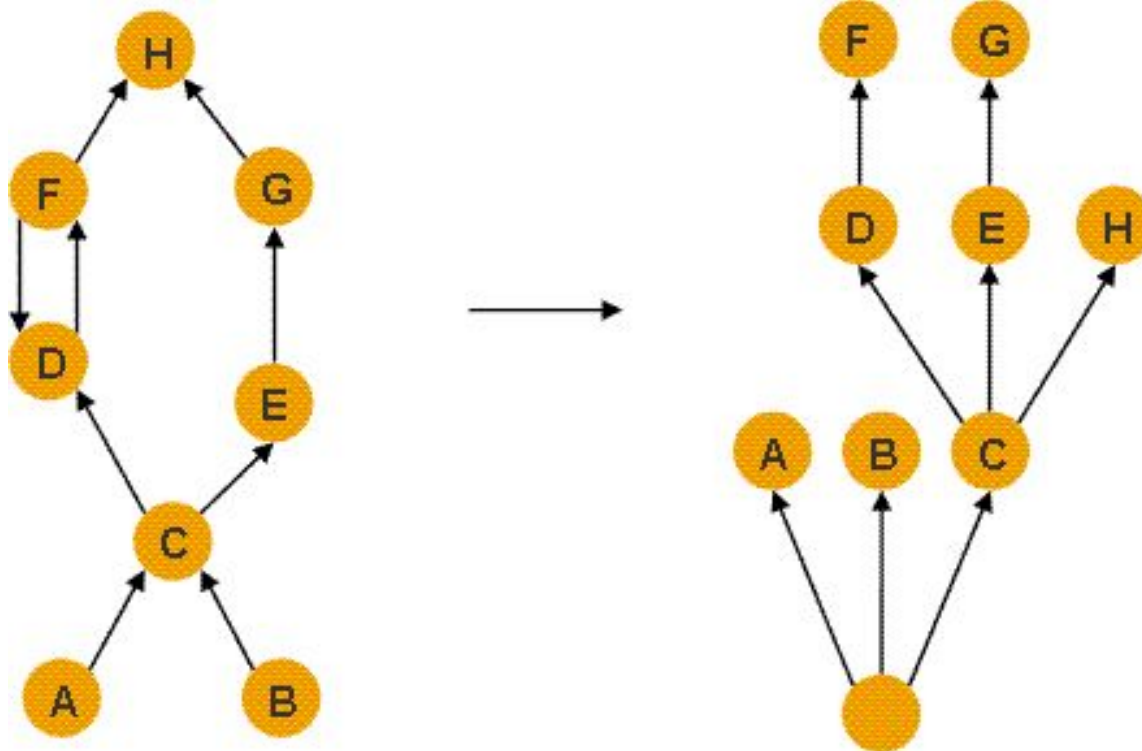


# Dominator Tree

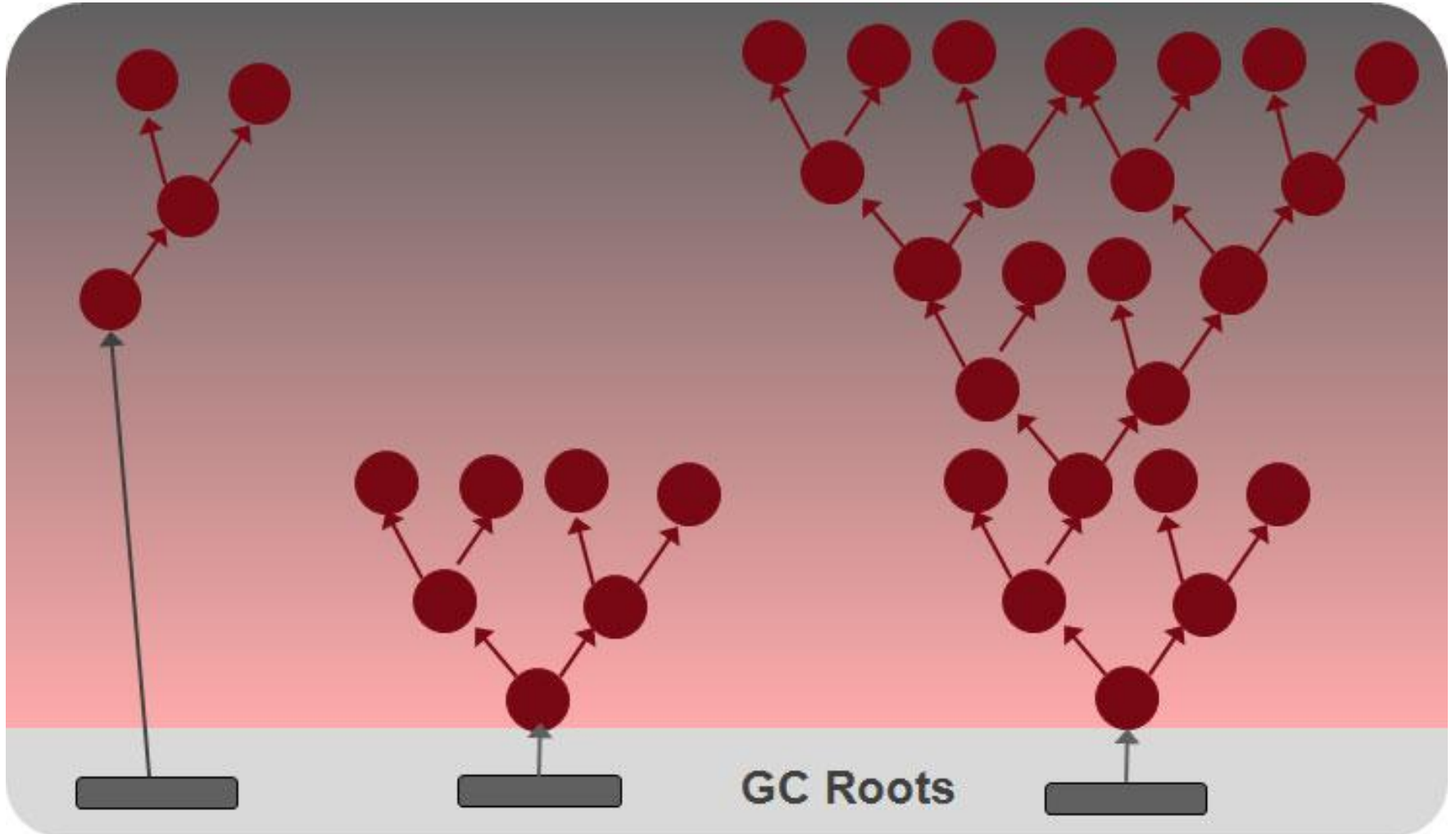
An object  $x$  **dominates** an object  $y$  if every path in the object graph from the start (or the root) node to  $y$  must go through  $x$ .

The **immediate dominator**  $x$  of some object  $y$  is the dominator closest to the object  $y$ .

A **dominator tree** is built out of the object graph.



# Garbage Collection Roots



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**System Class**

**Java Local**

**JNI Local**

**Native Stack**

**JNI Global**

**Finalizer**

**Thread Block**

**Unfinalized**

**Thread**

**Unreachable**

**Busy Monitor**

**Unknown**

# Garbage Collection Roots

**Class**

**Thread**

**Stack Local**

**JNI Local**

**JNI Global**

**Monitor Used**

**Held by JVM**

# How is Java Heap Dump Generated?

## 1. Get Heap Dump on an OutOfMemoryError

## 2. Interactively Trigger a Heap Dump:

- By sending a signal to JVM (ctrl+break)
- Using JDK 5/6 tools (jps, jmap)
- Using JConsole
- Other ad hoc tools (e.g. Eclipse MAT)

# Heap Dump on an OutOfMemoryError

```
java -XX:+HeapDumpOnOutOfMemoryError MainClass
```



# Heap Dump By Sending a Signal to JVM

```
java -XX:+HeapDumpOnCtrlBreak MainClass
```

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See Thread Dump By Sending a Signal to JVM

# Heap Dump Using JDK 5/6 tools

```
jmap -dump:format=b,file=<filename.hprof> <pid>
```

# Heap Dump Using JConsole

The screenshot shows the Java Monitoring & Management Console (JConsole) interface. The main window title is "Java Monitoring & Management Console" and the connection is identified as "pid: 3808". The "Operations" tab is selected, and the "dumpHeap" operation is highlighted in the left-hand tree view.

The "Operation invocation" section shows the following command:

```
void dumpHeap ( p0 .\blog\base.hprof , p1 true )
```

The "MBeanOperationInfo" section displays the following table:

Name	Value
Operation:	
Name	dumpHeap
Description	dumpHeap
Impact	UNKNOWN
ReturnType	void
Parameter-0:	

The "Descriptor" section displays the following table:

Name	Value
Operation:	
openType	javax.management.openmbean.SimpleType(n...
originalType	void
Parameter-0:	
openType	javax.management.openmbean.SimpleType(n...
originalType	java.lang.String

# Eclipse Memory Analyser

**Eclipse Memory Analyzer**  
File Edit Window Help

Inspector: @ 0x7dcb040  
Worker  
org.eclipse.core.internal.jobs  
class org.eclipse.core.internal.jo...  
java.lang.Thread  
org.eclipse.osgi.internal.basead...  
112 (shallow size)  
168,653,960 (retained size)  
GC root: Thread

Statics Attributes >> 1

Type	Name	Value
ref	pool	org.eclipse.c...
ref	currentJob	org.eclipse.r...
ref	uncaughtE...	null
ref	throwableF...	null
bool...	stopBefore...	false
ref	blockerLock	java.lang.Ol...
ref	blocker	null
ref	parkBlocker	null
int	threadStatus	5
long	tid	25
long	nativePark...	0
long	stackSize	0
ref	inheritableT...	java.lang.Th...
ref	threadLocals	java.lang.Th...
ref	inheritedAc...	java.securit...
ref	contextCla...	org.eclipse.c...
ref	group	main
ref	target	null
bool...	stillborn	false
bool...	daemon	false
bool...	single_step	false
long	eetop	1230009344
ref	threadQ	null
int	priority	5
ref	name	Worker-2

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Overview

Details  
Size: **186,9 MB** Classes: **6,9k** Objects: **1,3m** Class Loader: **157**

Biggest Objects by Retained Size

Total: **186,9 MB**

**org.eclipse.core.internal.jobs.Worker @ 0x7dcb040 Worker-2**  
Shallow Size: **112 B** Retained Size: **160,8 MB**

Actions Reports Step By Step

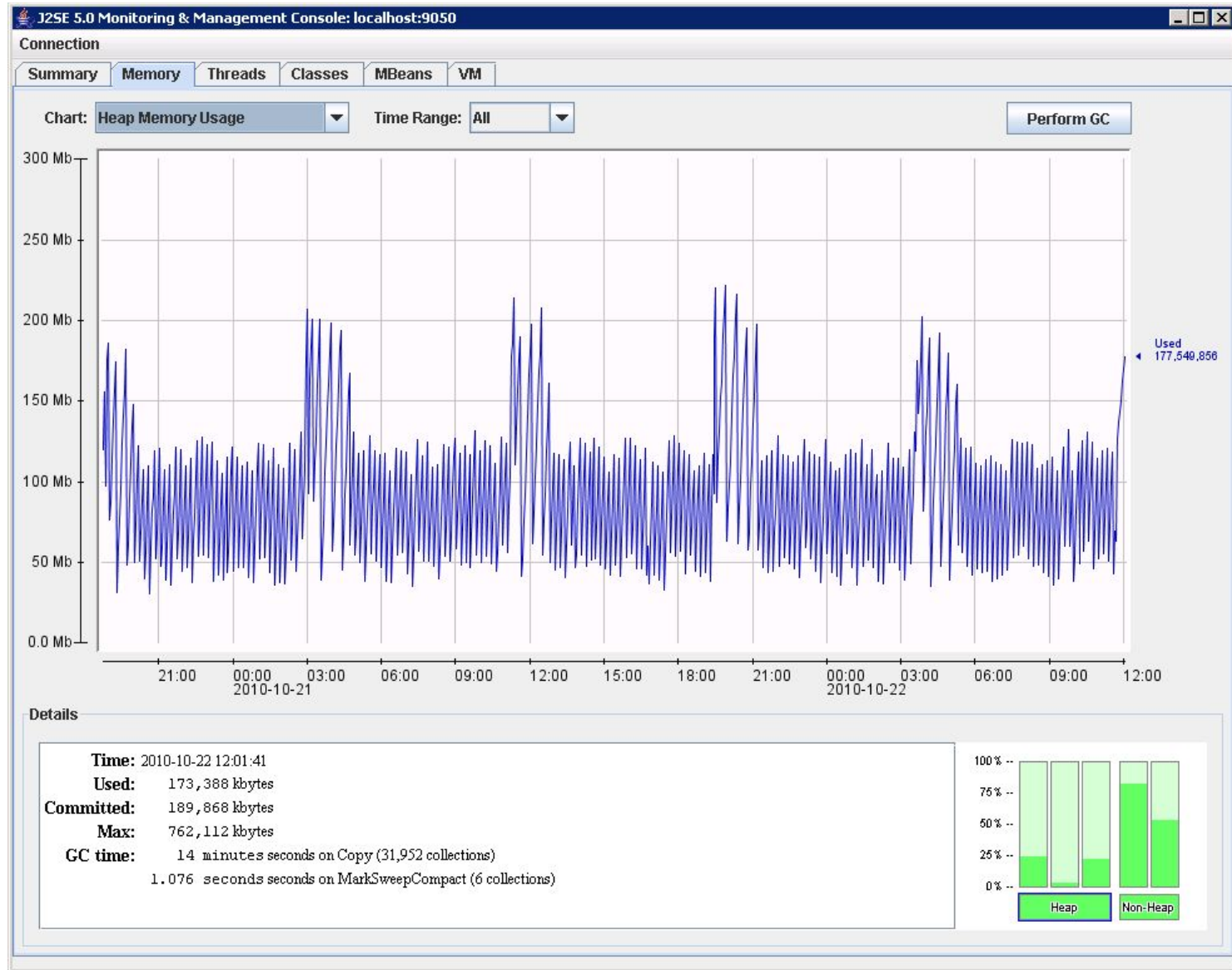
- Histogram**: Lists number of instances per class
- Dominator Tree**: List the **biggest objects** and what they keep alive.
- Top Consumers**: Print the most **expensive objects** grouped by
- Leak Suspects**: includes leak suspects and a system overview
- Top Components**: list reports for components bigger than 1 percent of the total heap.
- Component Report**: Analyze objects which belong to a **common root package** or **class loader**.

36M of 73M

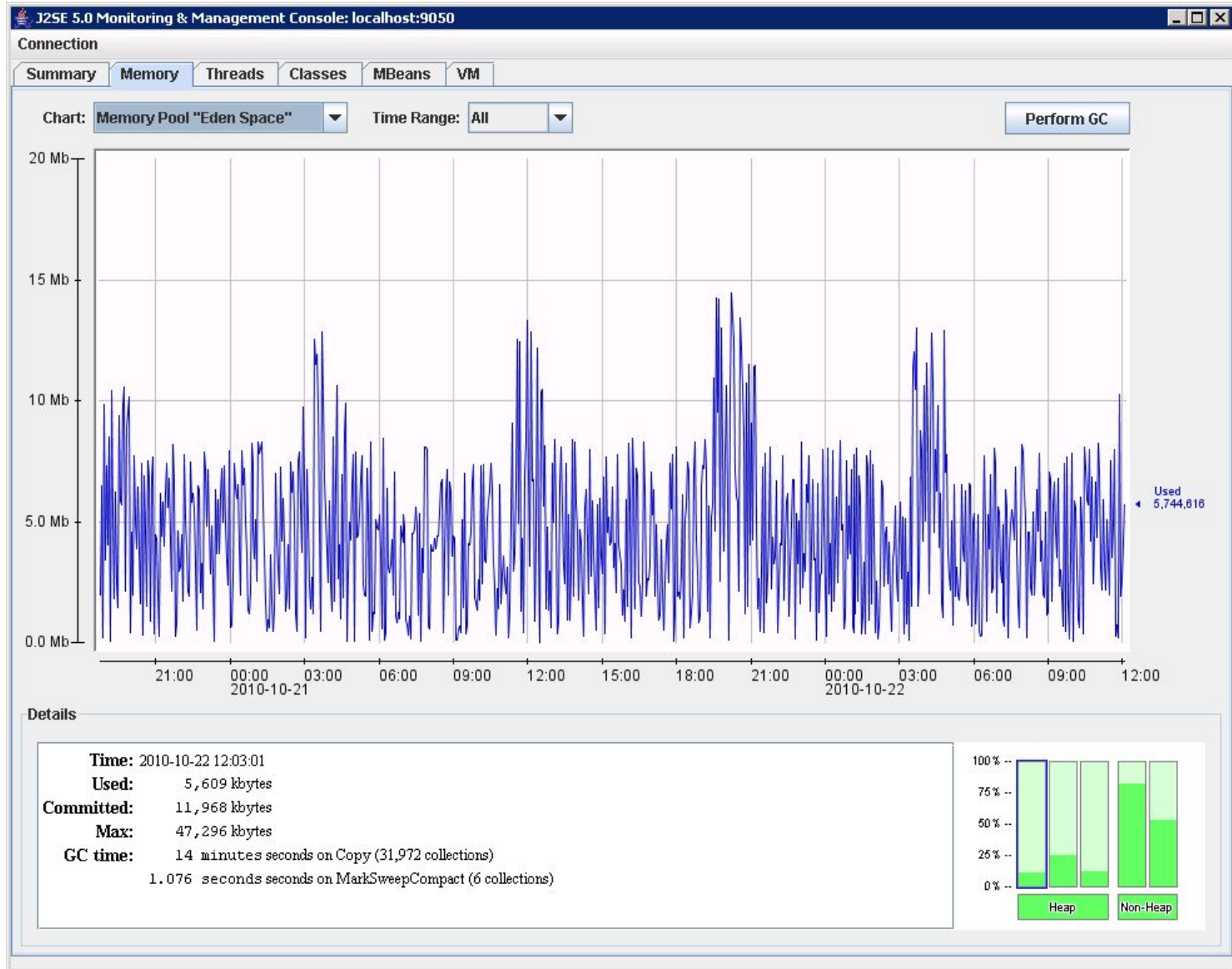
# Example 3: Memory Leak



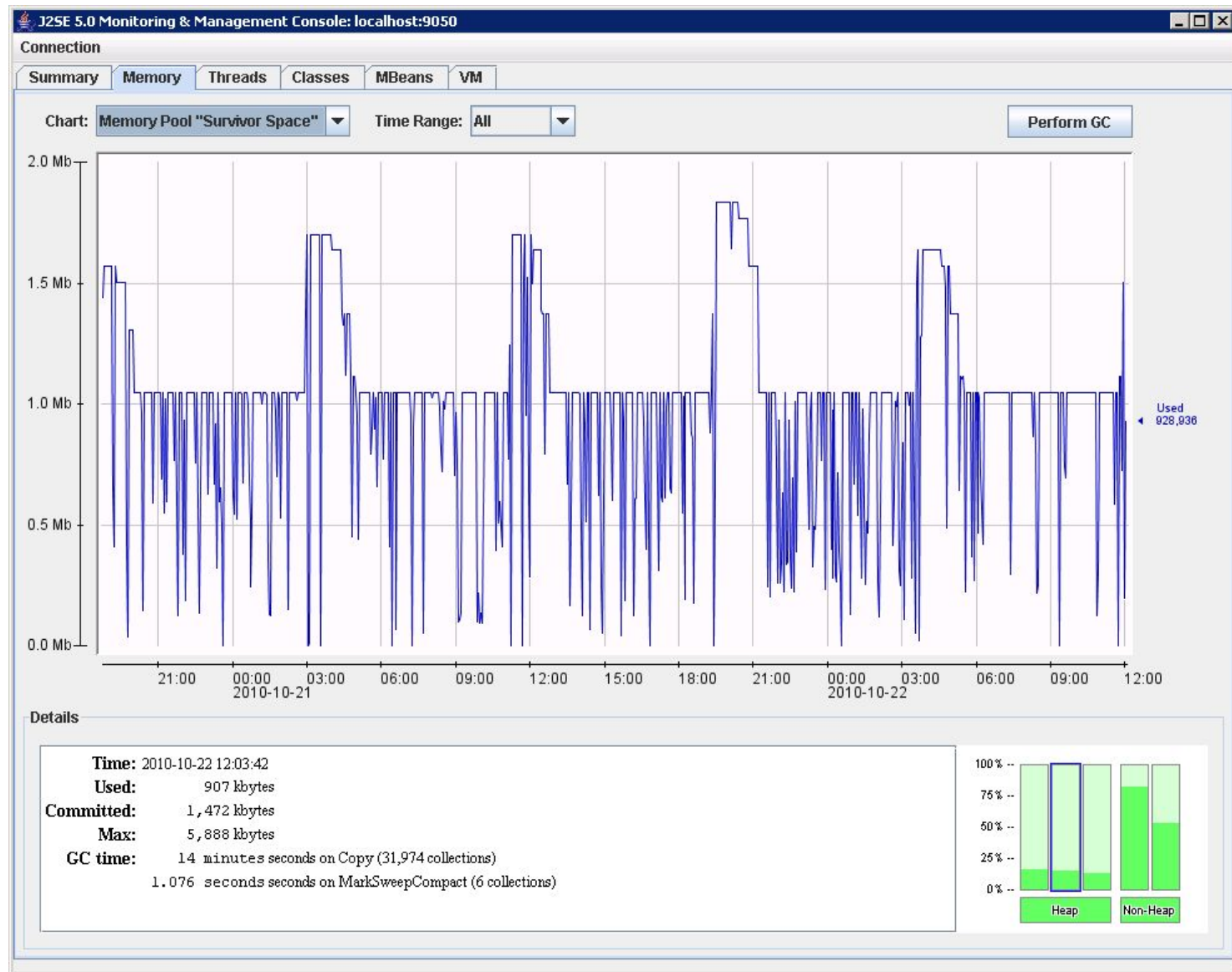
# Heap Memory Usage



# Memory Pool "Eden Space"

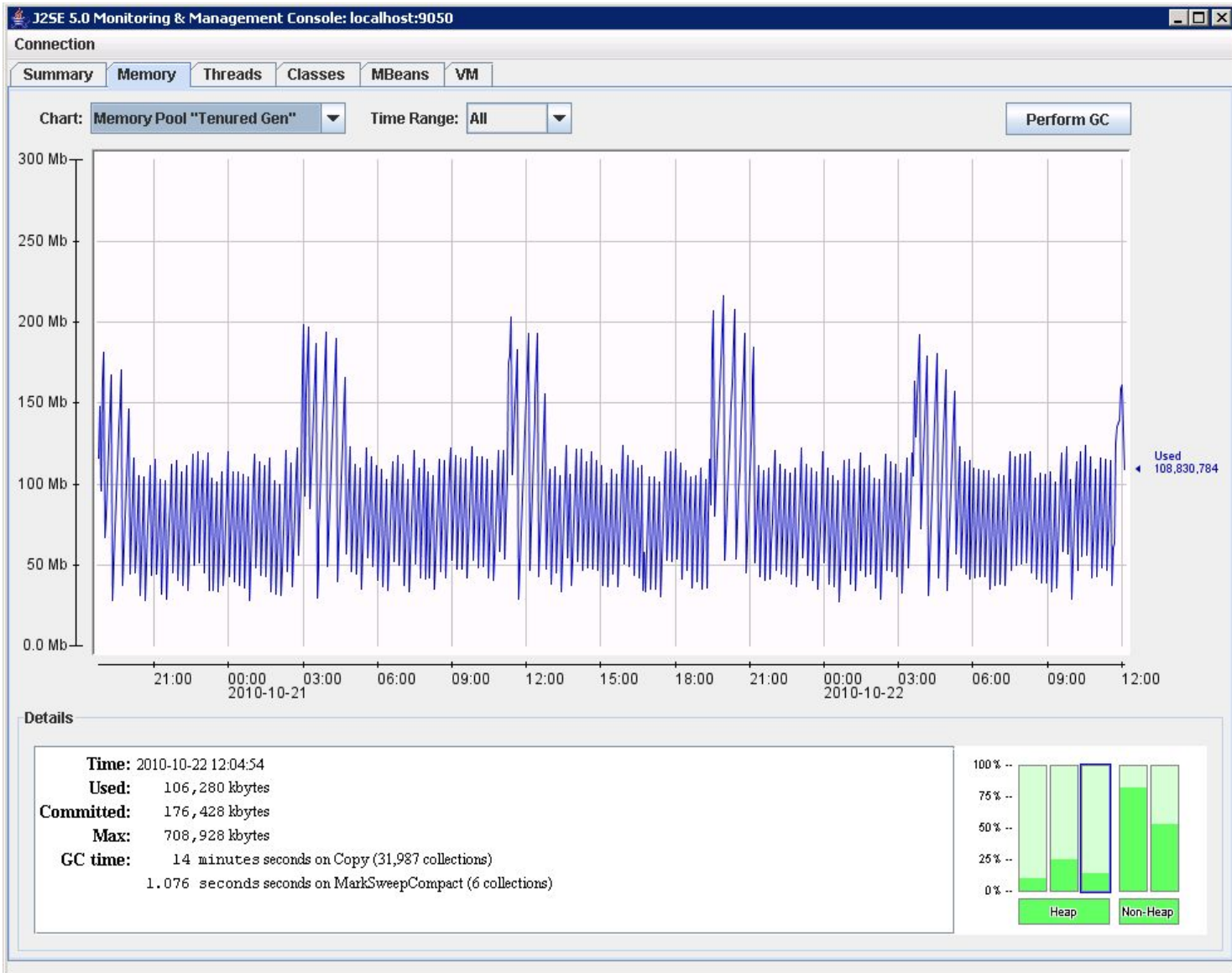


# Memory Pool "Survivor Space"

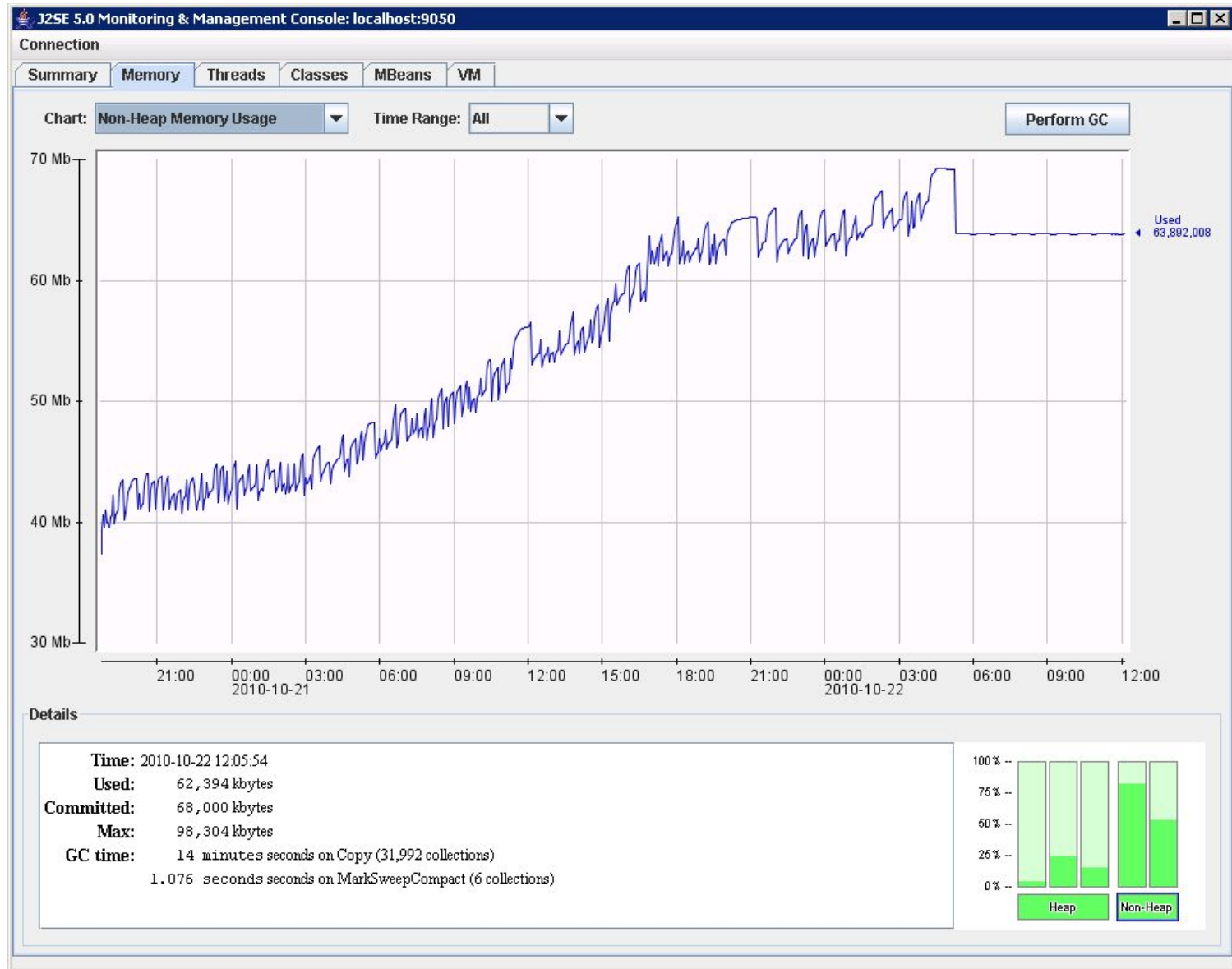




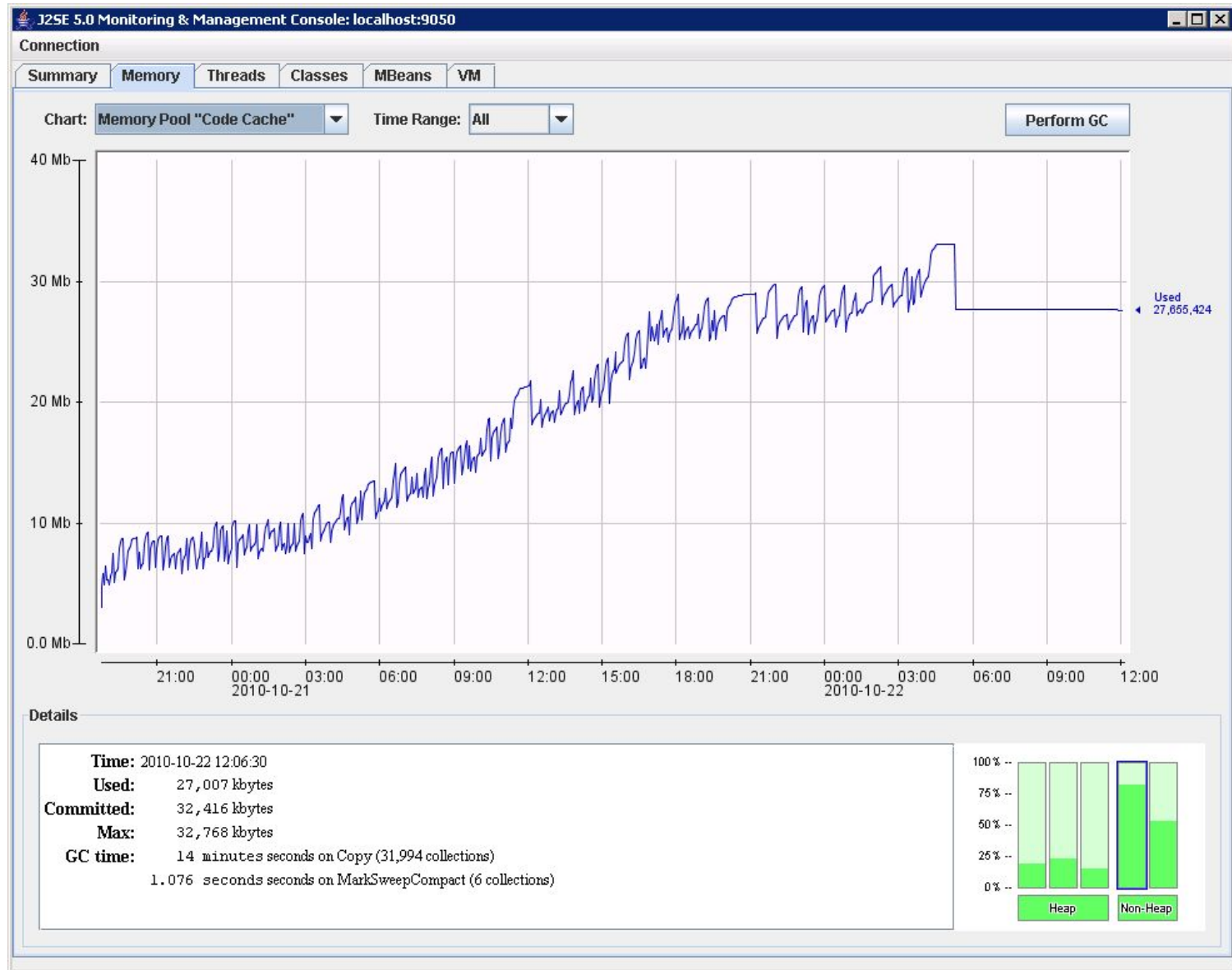
# Memory Pool "Tenured Gen"



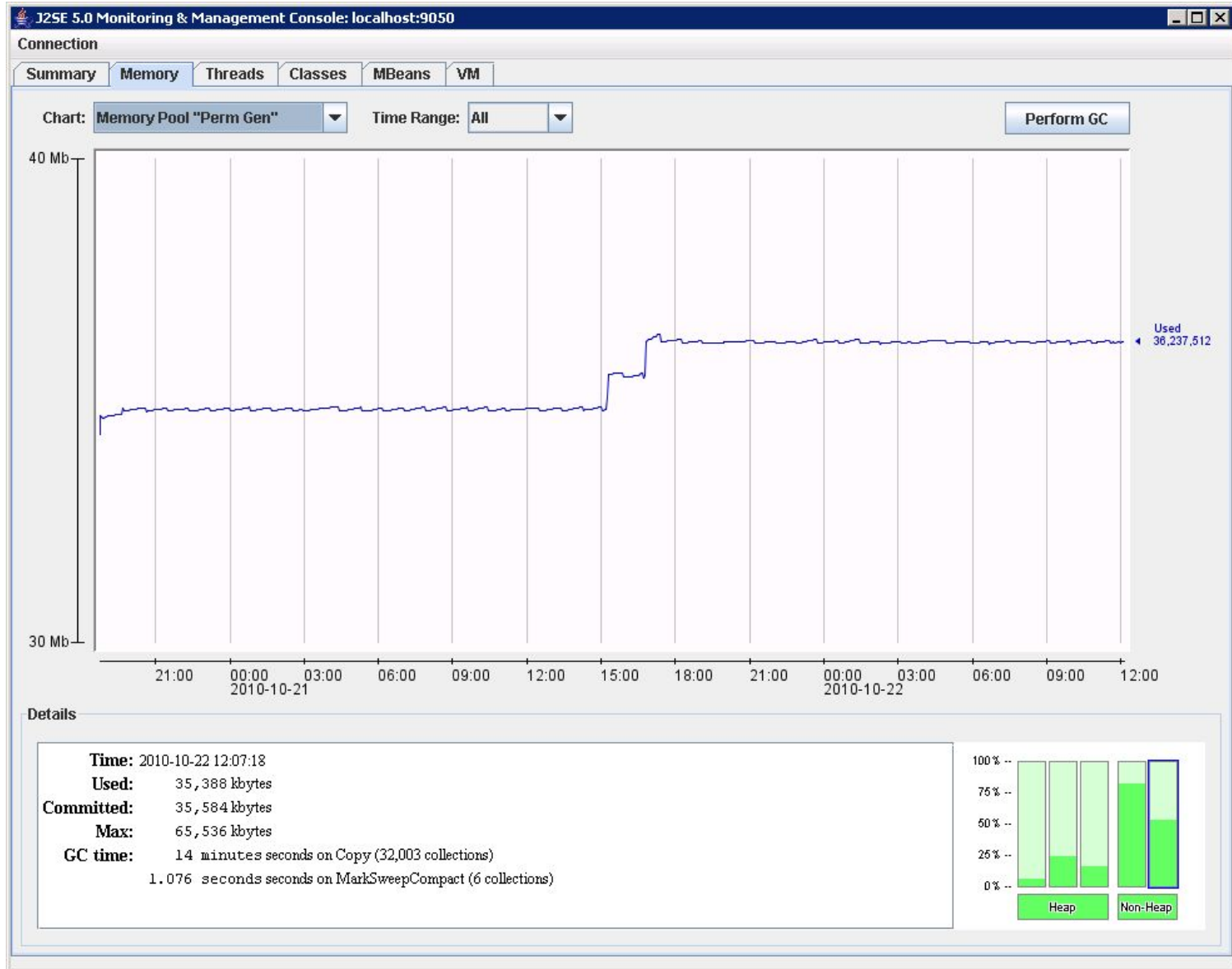
# Non-Heap Memory Usage



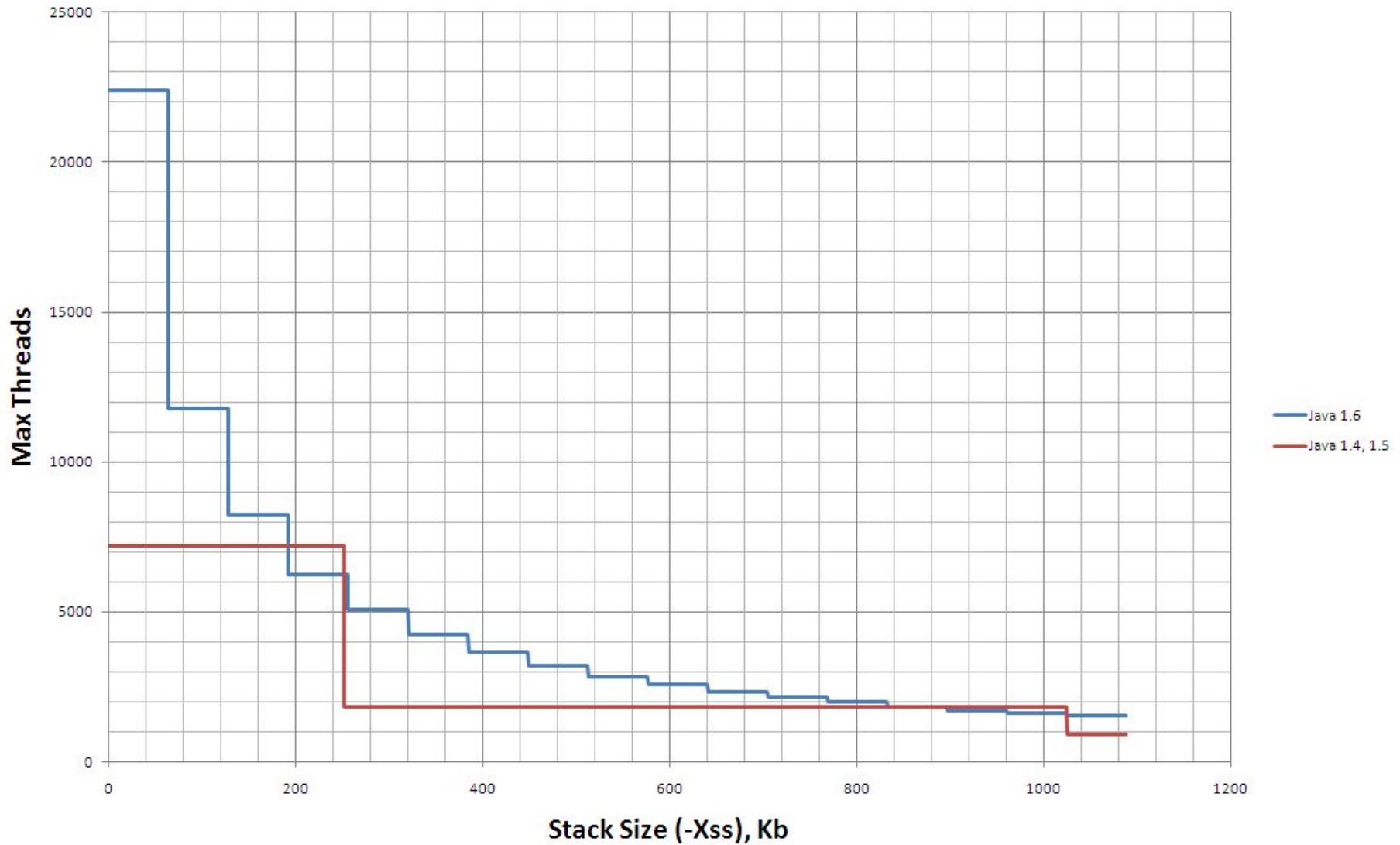
# Memory Pool "Code Cache"



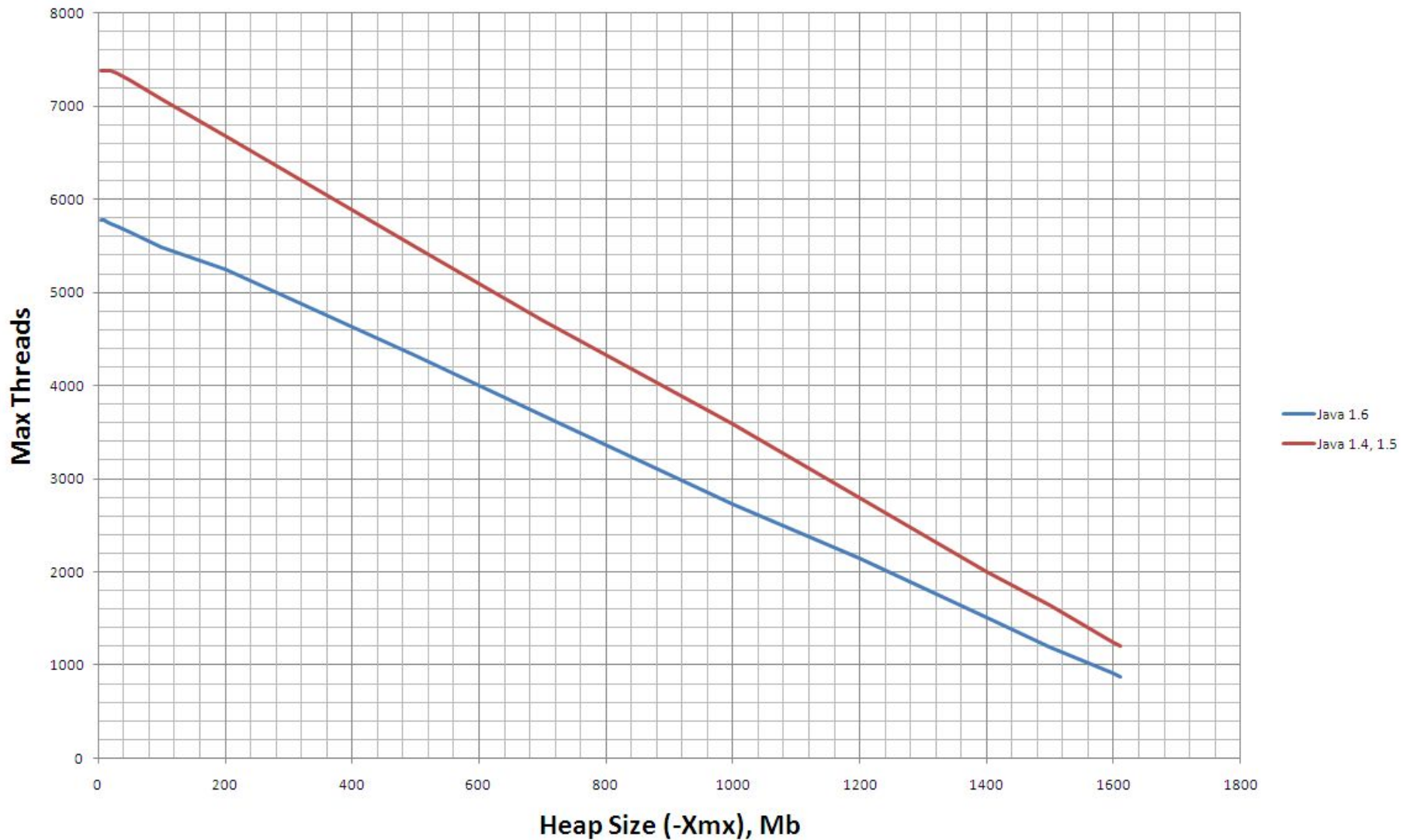
# Memory Pool "Perm Gen"



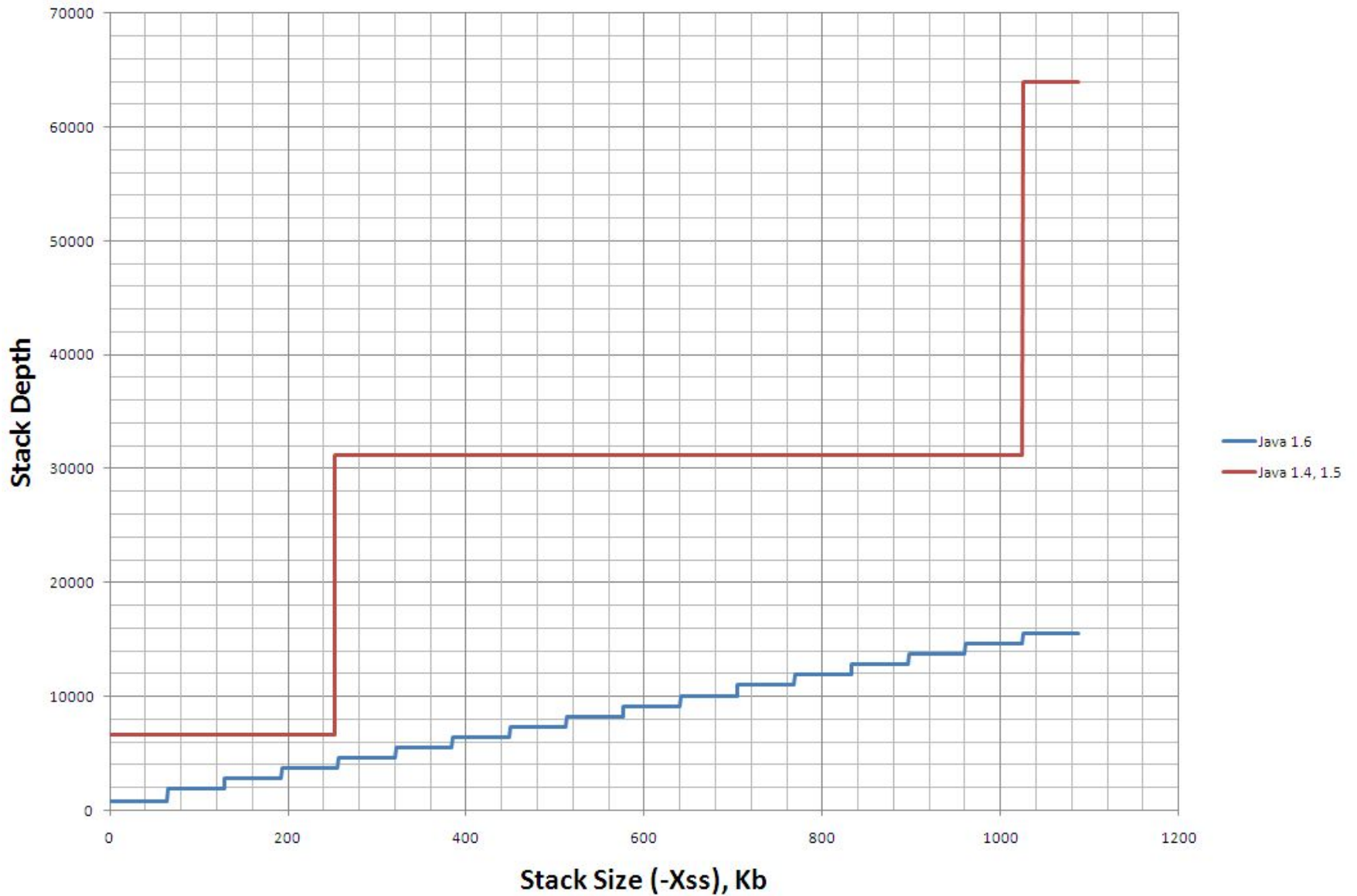
# Max Thread Count Depends on Stack Size



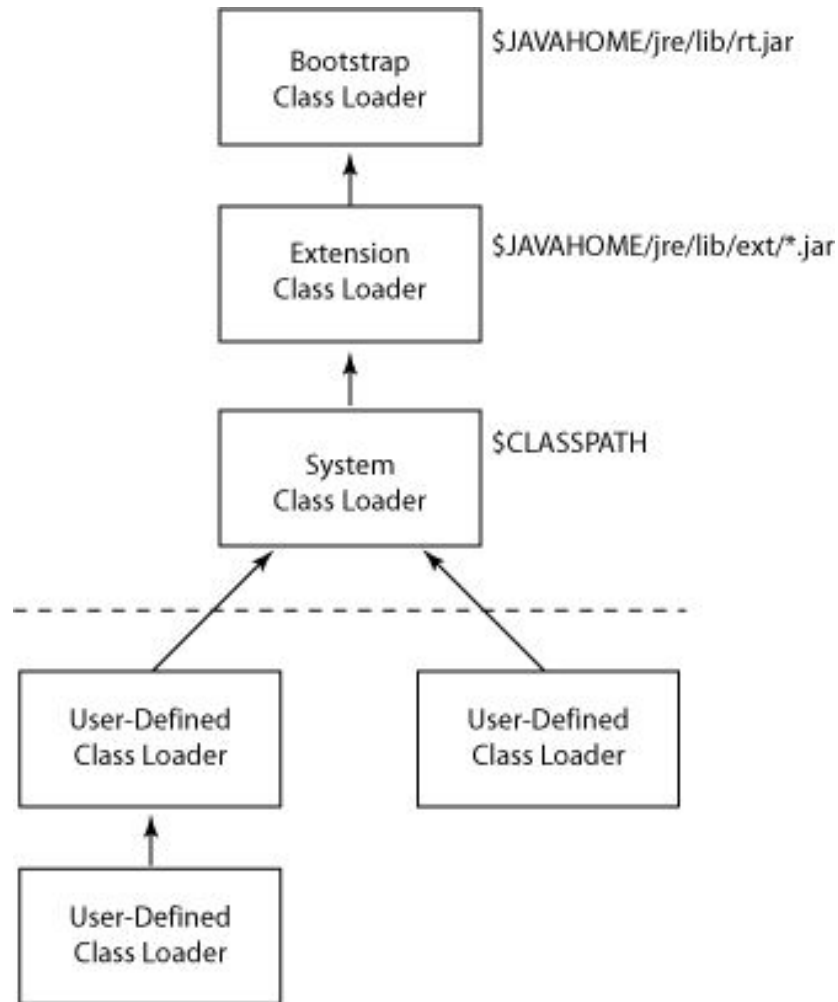
# Max Thread Count Depends on Heap Size



# Stack Depth Depends on Stack Size

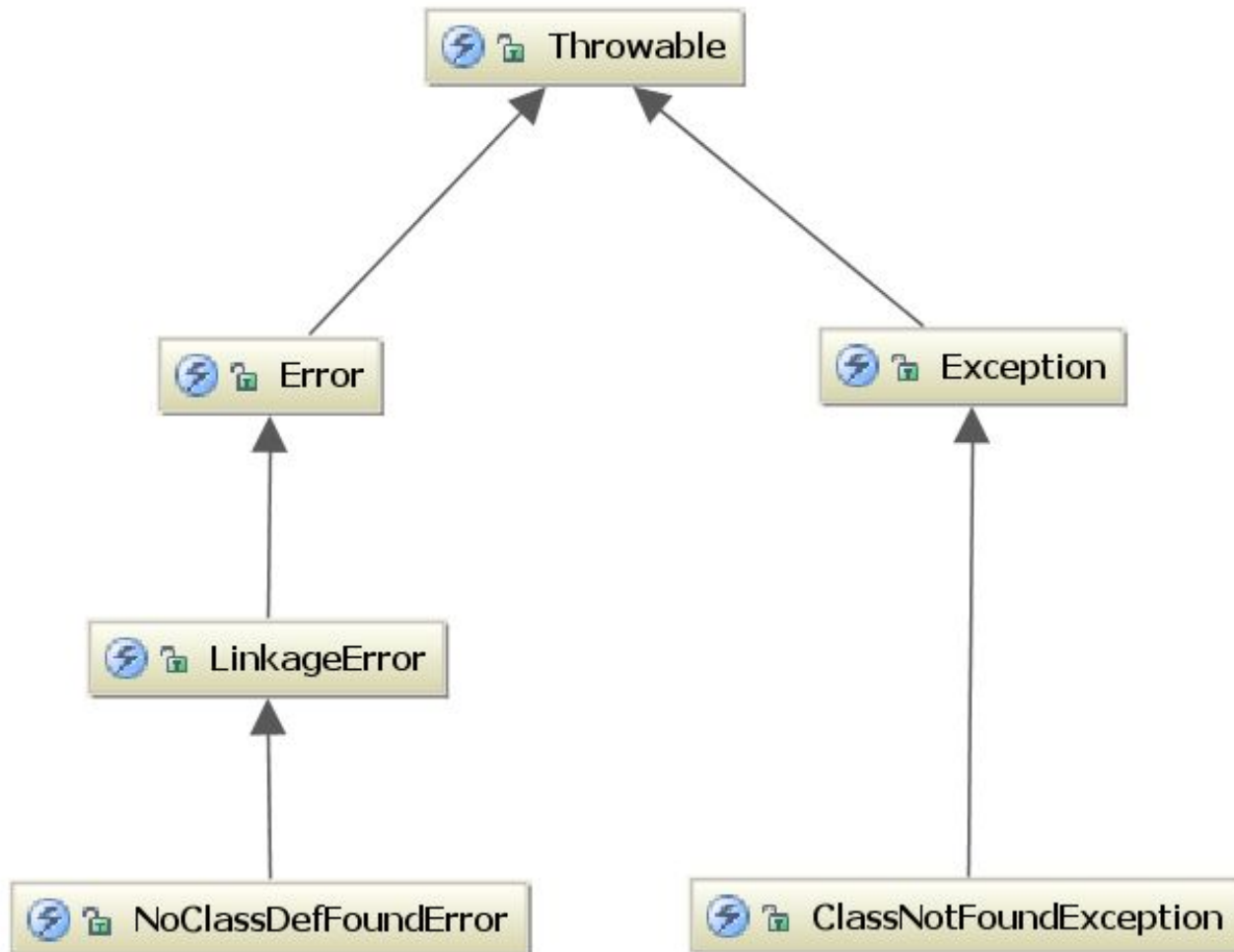


# Java Class Loading





# NoClassDefFoundError vs ClassNotFoundException



The End