

Practice Problems on Reflection in Java

◆ Basic Level

1. **Get Class Information:** Write a program to accept a class name as input and display its methods, fields, and constructors using Reflection.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;

import java.util.Scanner;

public class ClassInfo {

    public static void main(String[] args) throws ClassNotFoundException {

        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.print("Enter class name: ");

        String className = sc.nextLine();

        Class<?> clazz = Class.forName(className);

        System.out.println("Methods: ");

        for (Method method : clazz.getDeclaredMethods()) {

            System.out.println(method.getName());

        }

        System.out.println("Fields: ");

        for (Field field : clazz.getDeclaredFields()) {

            System.out.println(field.getName());

        }

    }

}
```

```
}

System.out.println("Constructors: ");

for (Constructor<?> constructor : clazz.getDeclaredConstructors())
{

    System.out.println(constructor.getName());

}

sc.close();

}

}
```

2. **Access Private Field:** Create a class **Person** with a private field **age**. Use Reflection to modify and retrieve its value.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;

class Person {

    private int age = 25;

    public int getAge() {

        return age;

    }

}
```

```
}

public class PrivateField {

    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {

        Person p = new Person();

        Field field = Person.class.getDeclaredField("age");

        field.setAccessible(true);

        field.set(p, 30);

        System.out.println("Modified Age: " + field.get(p));

    }

}
```

3. **Invoke Private Method:** Define a class **Calculator** with a private method **multiply(int a, int b)**. Use Reflection to invoke this method and display the result.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;

class Calculator {

    private int multiply(int a, int b) {

        return a * b;

    }

}
```

```
public class PrivateMethod {

    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {

        Calculator calc = new Calculator();

        Method method = Calculator.class.getDeclaredMethod("multiply",
int.class, int.class);

        method.setAccessible(true);

        int result = (int) method.invoke(calc, 5, 6);

        System.out.println("Result: " + result);

    }

}
```

4. **Dynamically Create Objects:** Write a program to create an instance of a **Student** class dynamically using Reflection without using the **new** keyword.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;

class Student {
    public Student() {
        System.out.println("Student object created");
    }
}

public class DynamicObject {
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
        Constructor<Student> constructor =
Student.class.getConstructor();
```

```
Student student = constructor.newInstance();

System.out.println(student);
}
}
```

♦ Intermediate Level

5. **Dynamic Method Invocation:** Define a class **MathOperations** with multiple public methods (**add**, **subtract**, **multiply**). Use Reflection to dynamically call any method based on user input.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;

import java.util.Scanner;

class MathOperations {

    public int add(int a, int b) {

        return a + b;

    }

    public int subtract(int a, int b) {

        return a - b;

    }

    public int multiply(int a, int b) {
```

```

        return a * b;
    }
}

public class DynamicMethod {

    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {

        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);

        System.out.print("Enter method name: ");

        String methodName = sc.nextLine();

        MathOperations obj = new MathOperations();

        Method method = MathOperations.class.getMethod(methodName,
int.class, int.class);

        System.out.println("Result: " + method.invoke(obj, 5, 3));

        sc.close();

    }

}

```

6. Retrieve Annotations at Runtime: Create a custom annotation

`@Author(name="Author Name")`. Apply it to a class and use Reflection to retrieve and display the annotation value at runtime.

```

import java.lang.annotation.*;

// import java.lang.reflect.*;

```

```
@Retention(RetentionPolicy.RUNTIME)

@interface Author {

    String name();

}

@Author(name = "John Doe")

class Document {

}

public class RetrieveAnnotation {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        Author author = Document.class.getAnnotation(Author.class);

        System.out.println("Author: " + author.name());

    }

}
```

7. **Access and Modify Static Fields:** Create a **Configuration** class with a private static field **API_KEY**. Use Reflection to modify its value and print it.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;

class Configuration {
```

```
private static String API_KEY = "123456";

}

public class StaticField {

    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {

        Field field = Configuration.class.getDeclaredField("API_KEY");

        field.setAccessible(true);

        field.set(null, "654321");

        System.out.println("Modified API_KEY: " + field.get(null));

    }

}
```

◆ Advanced Level

8. **Create a Custom Object Mapper:** Implement a method `toObject(Class<T> clazz, Map<String, Object> properties)` that uses Reflection to set field values from a given `Map`.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;
```



```
import java.util.*;

class ObjectMap {

    public static <T> T toObject(Class<T> clazz, Map<String, Object>
properties) throws Exception {

        T obj = clazz.getDeclaredConstructor().newInstance();

        for (Field field : clazz.getDeclaredFields()) {

            field.setAccessible(true);

            if (properties.containsKey(field.getName())) {

                field.set(obj, properties.get(field.getName()));

            }

        }

        return obj;

    }

}

class User {

    public String name;

    public int age;

}

public class ObjectMapper {

    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {
```

```
Map<String, Object> properties = new HashMap<>();

properties.put("name", "John");

properties.put("age", 30);

User user = ObjectMap.toObject(User.class, properties);

System.out.println("User: " + user.name + ", Age: " + user.age);

}

}
```

- 9. Generate a JSON Representation:** Write a program that converts an object to a JSON-like string using Reflection by inspecting its fields and values.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;

// import java.util.*;

class JsonGenerator {

    public static String toJson(Object obj) throws Exception {

        StringBuilder json = new StringBuilder("{");

        Class<?> clazz = obj.getClass();

        Field[] fields = clazz.getDeclaredFields();

        for (int i = 0; i < fields.length; i++) {

            fields[i].setAccessible(true);
```

```

        json.append "\"" + fields[i].getName() + "\": \"" +
fields[i].get(obj) + "\"";

        if (i < fields.length - 1)

            json.append(", ");

    }

    json.append("}");

    return json.toString();

}

}

public class JsonGeneratorMain {

    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {

        User user = new User();

        user.name = "ABC";

        user.age = 25;

        System.out.println(JsonGenerator.toJson(user));

    }

}

```

10. **Custom Logging Proxy Using Reflection:** Implement a **Dynamic Proxy** that intercepts method calls on an interface (e.g., `Greeting.sayHello()`) and logs the method name before executing it.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;

interface Greeting {

    void sayHello();

}

class GreetingImpl implements Greeting {

    public void sayHello() {

        System.out.println("Hello, world!");

    }

}

class LoggingHandler implements InvocationHandler {

    private final Object target;

    public LoggingHandler(Object target) {

        this.target = target;

    }

    public Object invoke(Object proxy, Method method, Object[] args)
    throws Throwable {

        System.out.println("Executing method: " + method.getName());

        return method.invoke(target, args);

    }

}
```

```
}  
  
}  
  
public class LoggingProxy {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        Greeting greeting = (Greeting) Proxy.newProxyInstance(  
  
            Greeting.class.getClassLoader(),  
  
            new Class[] { Greeting.class },  
  
            new LoggingHandler(new GreetingImpl()));  
  
        greeting.sayHello();  
  
    }  
  
}
```

11. Dependency Injection using Reflection: Implement a simple **DI container** that scans classes with **@Inject** annotation and injects dependencies dynamically.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;  
  
// import java.util.*;  
  
@interface Inject {  
  
}
```

```
class Service {  
  
}  
  
class Client {  
  
    @Inject  
  
    private Service service;  
  
    public Service getService() {  
  
        return service;  
  
    }  
  
}  
  
public class DependencyInjection {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {  
  
        Client client = new Client();  
  
        for (Field field : Client.class.getDeclaredFields()) {  
  
            if (field.isAnnotationPresent(Inject.class)) {  
  
                field.setAccessible(true);  
  
                field.set(client, new Service());  
  
            }  
  
        }  
  
        System.out.println("Dependency Injected: " + (client.getService()  
!= null));  
    }  
}
```

```
}  
  
}
```

12. **Method Execution Timing:** Use Reflection to measure the execution time of methods in a given class dynamically.

```
import java.lang.reflect.*;  
  
class TestClass {  
    public void slowMethod() throws InterruptedException {  
        Thread.sleep(500);  
    }  
}  
  
public class ExecutionTiming {  
    public static void main(String[] args) throws Exception {  
        Method method = TestClass.class.getMethod("slowMethod");  
        TestClass obj = new TestClass();  
        long start = System.nanoTime();  
        method.invoke(obj);  
        long end = System.nanoTime();  
        System.out.println("Execution time: " + (end - start) / 1_000_000  
+ " ms");  
    }  
}
```

