Reflection



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Class Literals

What types are Reflectable?

Reflecting Generics

Class Literals

A Pattern for Generic instantiation

Reflecting Types

Types that are reified can be reflected

Reifiable Types

Primitives

int, long

Non Parameterized Class or Interface

String, ActionListener

All type arguments are unbounded Wildcards

List<?>, Map<?, ?>

Raw Types

List, Map

Arrays of reifiable components

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int[][], List<?>[]
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Non Reifiable Types

Type Variables

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Parameterized Type with Parameters

ArrayList<String>, Map<Integer, String>

Parameterized Type with Bounds

List<? extends Number>, Consumer<? super String>

Reflecting Generic Information

Advanced but Cool!

Summary



Expanded on Implementation

Reflectable types are Reifiable Types

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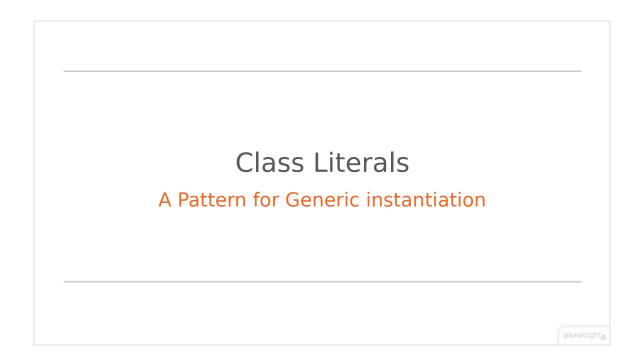


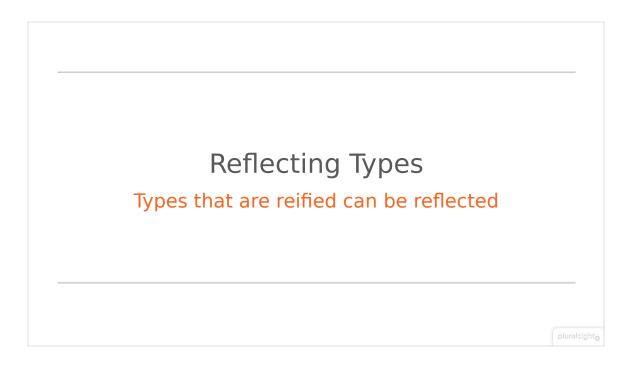
Reflection is an incredibly powerful and commonly used tool in Java

It allows us to see an image of what your application is doing at runtime.

This module is about how reflection and generics interplay, not about reflection at large.

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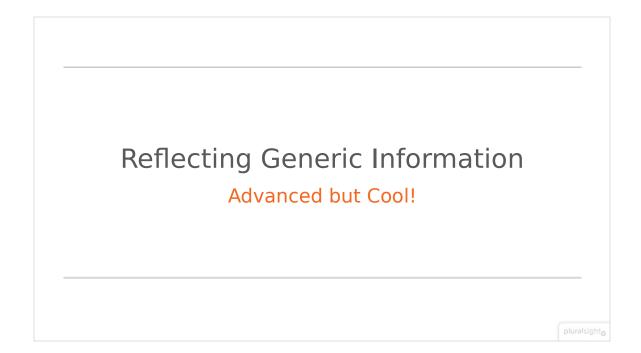
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