

Reflection



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Overview

- Java offers a rich reflection API
 - Uses 'metadata' to provide run time type information
- Can access data on
 - Arrays, methods, fields, modifiers and constructors
- Can create instances

Summary

- Can use reflection to
 - Get details of classes at runtime
 - Dynamically get values of data at runtime
 - Dynamically update objects
 - Create instances of types we have no compile time information about