

JVM CLI Programs with GraalVM

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Why the JVM?

- Reuse the JVM code already in your organization.
- Reuse the vast amount of Open Source JVM code.
- Language choices!
 - Java
 - Kotlin
 - Groovy
 - Scala
 - Clojure
 - Java + Kotlin Joint Compilation
 - Java + Scala Joint Compilation

Why GraalVM?

- You can be just as cool as the Go and Rust folks (native binaries).
- Faster startup (a must for CLI tools).

- GraalVM does static analysis, and gets rid of things it thinks aren't used.
- Static analysis doesn't find code called *only* via reflection. (Use hints¹)
- Graal team maintains a lot of metadata for popular frameworks.²
- Graal team maintains a JVM agent that will generate metadata for you.³

¹<https://www.graalvm.org/latest/reference-manual/native-image/metadata/#reflection>

²<https://github.com/oracle/graalvm-reachability-metadata/tree/master/metadata>

³<https://www.graalvm.org/22.0/reference-manual/native-image/Agent/>

CLI Rules (My Soapbox)

- Newline separated records
- ONLY records on STDOUT. No field headings. Nothing else.
- Whitespace separated fields
- No intra-field whitespace except in last column

OR...

Just output Json

Tech Stack (A true “Enterprise Grade”™ CLI)

- GraalVM
- Java
- Scala
- picocli
- Spring Boot
- Hibernate
- H2
- Liquibase
- AspectJ

GraalVM:

- Entire JVM Ecosystem
- Single Binary
- Fast Startup

Questions?

Peripheral tools I used – some of which warrant their own presentation

- \LaTeX : <https://www.latex-project.org>
- Beamer: <https://ctan.org/pkg/beamer>
- Gradle: <https://gradle.org>

GitHub repo

- <https://github.com/emaadona/jvmcliexample>