

Plugins

Where does this thing go?

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Plugins

- What are plugins?
- Drupal Plugin API
- How do I use plugins?
 - Core plugin types
- How do I create my own plugins?
- Advanced topics
 - Derivatives
 - Collections



What are plugins?

- D.O. Small, swappable pieces of functionality.
- drupalize.me Plugins are a design pattern.

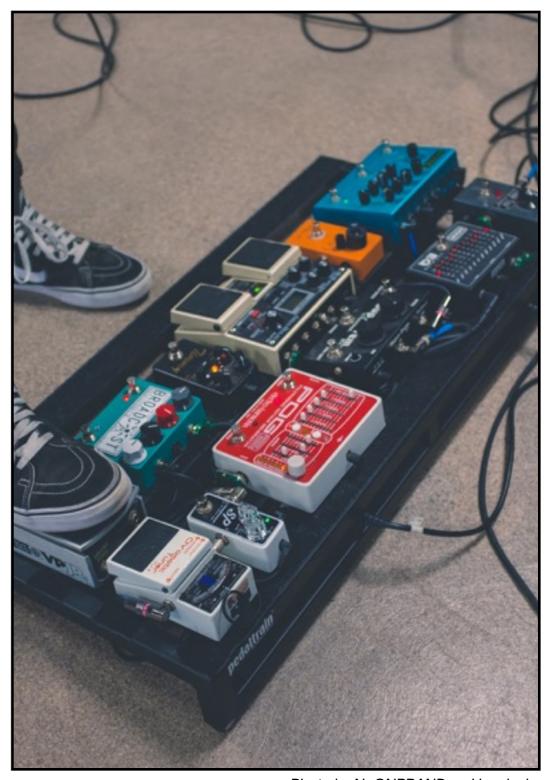


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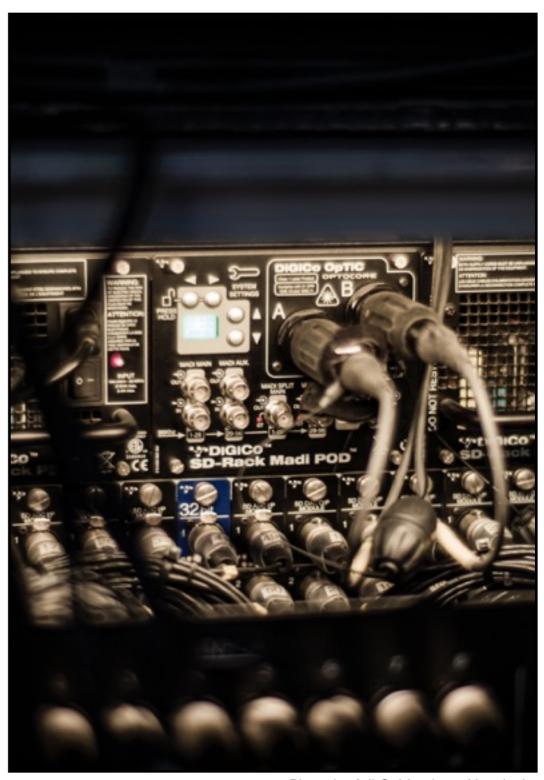


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- · Plugins A plugin is an implementation of a plugin type definition.



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- Blocks
- · Menus
- Fields types, widgets and formatters
- · REST resources
- Image effects and formatters
- Validation constraints
- Data types
- Views!



- drupal debug:plugin get a list of all the plugin types on your Drupal instance
- drupal debug:container list the services available on your Drupal instance
- \$manager = \Drupal::service('plugin.manager.block');



```
$plugin manager = \Drupal::service('plugin.manager.block');
$plugin manager->getDefinitions();
  devel_execute_php
  devel_switch_user
  help_block
  node_syndicate_block
  search_form_block
  shortcuts
  system_branding_block
  system_breadcrumb_block
  system_main_block
  system_menu_block:account
  system_menu_block:admin
  system_menu_block:devel
  system_menu_block:footer
  system_menu_block:main
  system_menu_block:tools
  system_messages_block
  system_powered_by_block
  user_login_block
  views_block:comments_recent-block_1
  views_block:content_recent-block_1
 views_block:who_s_new-block_1
 views_block:who_s_online-who_s_online_block
```



```
$plugin_manager = \Drupal::service('plugin.manager.block');

$plugin_manager->getDefinitions();

$block = $plugin_manager->getDefinition('search_form_block');

[
_admin_label => Drupal\Core\StringTranslation\TranslatableMarkup {#3831},
    category => Drupal\Core\StringTranslation\TranslatableMarkup {#3838},
    id => search_form_block,
    class => Drupal\search\Plugin\Block\SearchBlock,
    provider => search,
}
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$search_block = $block->build();
```

Plugin type

When you want to enable different ways of doing the same thing.



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- · An interface to ensure that all plugins of this type really are swappable.
- A base class an abstract class that extends the PluginBase class and implements your interface.
- · A plugin manager keeps track of plugins of this type.
- · An annotation file defines the properties of your plugin.
- · Make your plugin manager a service.



drupal generate:plugin:type:annotation

modules/custom/drupalcamp_2018/src/Annotation/Musician.php modules/custom/drupalcamp_2018/src/Plugin/MusicianBase.php modules/custom/drupalcamp_2018/src/Plugin/MusicianInterface.php modules/custom/drupalcamp_2018/src/Plugin/MusicianManager.php

modules/custom/drupalcamp_2018/drupalcamp_2018.services.yml

modules/custom/drupalcamp_2018/src/Plugin/Musician/



MusicianManager

```
public function __construct(\Traversable $namespaces, CacheBackendInterface
$cache_backend, ModuleHandlerInterface $module_handler) {
    parent::__construct('Plugin/Musician', $namespaces, $module_handler, 'Drupal\\drupalcamp_2018\Plugin\MusicianInterface', 'Drupal\\drupalcamp_2018\Annotation\\Musician');
    $this->alterInfo('drupalcamp_2018_musician_info');
    $this->setCacheBackend($cache_backend, 'drupalcamp_2018_musician_plugins');
}
```



Musician Annotation

```
class Musician extends Plugin {
  public $id;
  public $name;
  public $instrument;
  // other attributes like rhythm, pitch, etc.
}
```



Extending DefaultPluginManager

- CategorizingPluginManagerTrait Methods for categorizing plugin definitions based on a 'category' key. Used in core by ActionManager, BlockManager, ConditionsManager and FieldTypePluginManager.
- FilteredPluginManagerTrait Methods for plugin managers that allow filtering plugin definitions. Used by BlockManager, ConditionManager and LayoutPluginManager.
- PluginDependencyTrait For calculating dependencies of a plugin. Views and config entities use this one.

What is a plugin?

A plugin is an instance of a plugin type.



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Creating a plugin

MY_MODULE/src/Plugin/Musician/Guitarist.php

```
namespace Drupal\MY MODULE\Plugin\Musician;
use Drupal\drupalcamp 2018\Plugin\MusicianBase;
/**
 * Provides a quitarist
 * @Musician (
     id = guitarist,
   name = Guitar,
     instrument = guitar,
 *
 * /
class Guitarist extends MusicianBase {
```



Creating a plugin

```
$union_rep = \Drupal::service('plugin.manager.musician');
$picker = $union_rep->getDefinition('guitarist');
$picker->play('Stairway to Heaven');
```



Plugin derivatives

Derivatives are plugins that are derived from other data.

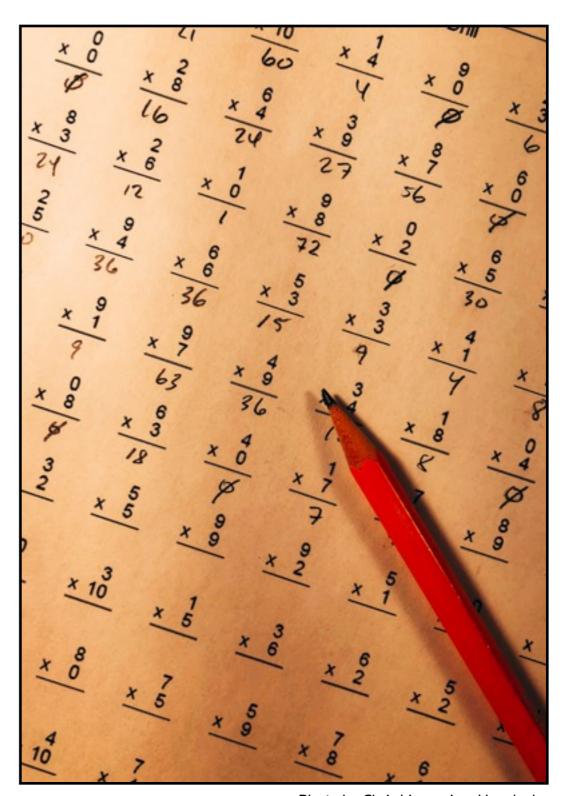


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/**
 * Provides a guitarist
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     id = quitarist,
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     instrument = quitar,
     deriver = Drupal\drupalcamp_2018\Plugin\Derivative\GuitarDeriver
 *
 * /
class Guitarist extends MusicianBase {
```



Plugin derivatives

```
class GuitarDeriver extends DeriverBase implements ContainerDeriverInterface {
[boring stuff here]
 public function getDerivativeDefinitions($base plugin definition) {
    $this->derivatives = [];
    $node storage = $this->entityTypeManager->getStorage('node');
    $node ids = $node storage->getQuery()
      ->condition('type', 'musician')
      ->condition('field instrument', 'quitar')
      ->execute();
    if (!empty($node ids)) {
      $nodes = $node storage->loadMultiple($node ids);
      foreach ($nodes as $node) {
        $this->derivatives[$node->id()] = $base plugin definition;
        $this->derivatives[$node->id()]['name'] = $node->field name->getValue();
        $this->derivatives[$node->id()]['instrument'] = $node->field axe->getValue();
    return $this->derivatives;
```



Plugin derivatives

```
$pickers = $union rep->getDefinitions('guitarist');
    "guitarist:3" => [
      "id" => "guitarist",
      "name" => [
         "value" => "Leo Kottke",
       ],
     ],
      "instrument" => [
         "value" => "12-string Acoustic",
       ],
     ],
      "deriver" => "Drupal\drupalcamp 2018\Plugin\Derivative\GuitarDeriver",
      "class" => "Drupal\drupalcamp 2018\Plugin\Musician\Guitar",
      "provider" => "drupalcamp 2018",
    "quitarist:4" => [
      "id" => "quitarist",
      "name" => [
         "value" => "Mark Knopfler",
       ],
     ],
      "instrument" => [
         "value" => "Stratocaster",
       ],
      "deriver" => "Drupal\drupalcamp_2018\Plugin\Derivative\GuitarDeriver",
      "class" => "Drupal\drupalcamp 2018\Plugin\Musician\Guitar",
      "provider" => "drupalcamp 2018",
    ],
$mark knopfler = $musician manager->getDefinition('guitarist:4');
$mark knopfler->play('Money For Nothing');
```

Plugin collections

Because we really don't want everybody playing all the time.

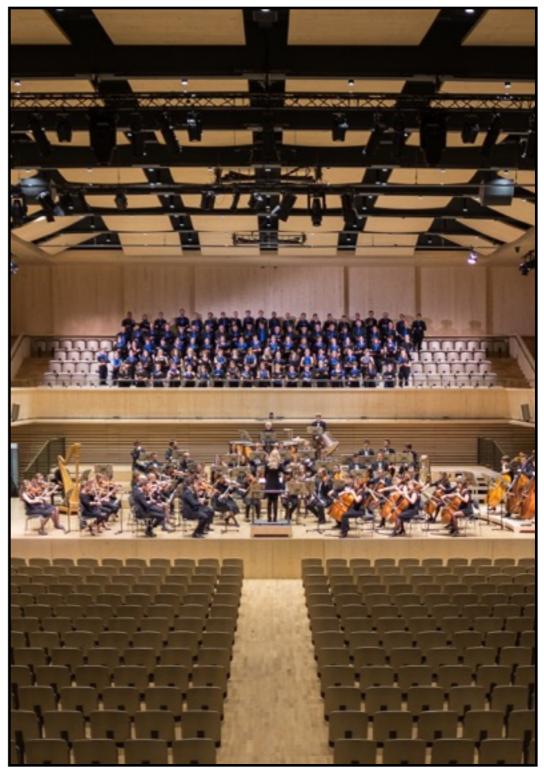


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Collections store plugin configurations.

Best used when plugin instances are configurable.

Usually associated with config entities, like Blocks and Views.



Core

- Condition
- Entity
- · Filter
- · Image
- Tours
- Views https://www.drupal.org/project/views/issues/
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```
namespace Drupal\drupalcamp 2018;
use Drupal\Core\Plugin\DefaultLazyPluginCollection;
/**
 * An experimental collection of musicians.
 */
class MusicianPluginCollection extends DefaultLazyPluginCollection {
  /**
   * The key within the plugin configuration that contains the plugin ID
   * /
   protected $pluginKey = 'id';
```



```
$guitarists = new MusicianPluginCollection('guitarists');
$mark_knopfler = $guitarists->get('guitarist:4');
$mark_knopfler->play('Sultans of Swing');
```

One more thing...

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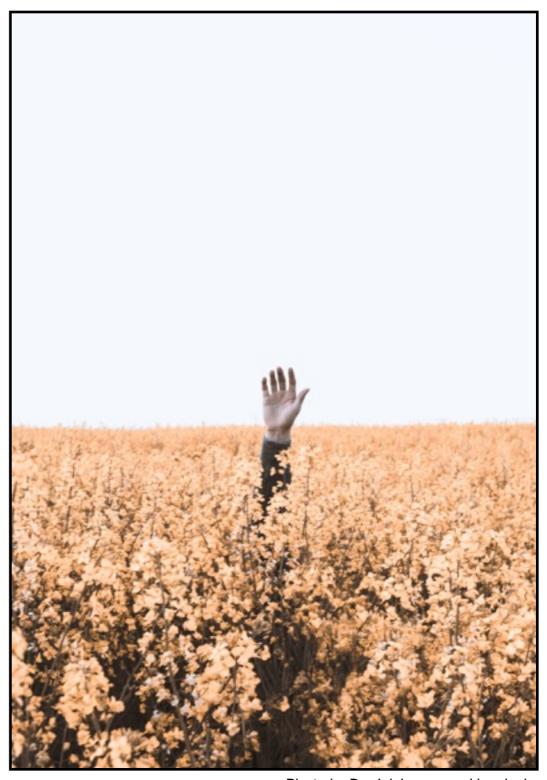


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Unplugging

Resources:

https://www.drupal.org/docs/8/api/plugin-api

https://api.drupal.org/api/drupal/core!core.api.php/group/plugin_api/8.6.x

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