

Setting up Spark with Maven

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<https://sparktutorials.github.io/2015/04/02/setting-up-a-spark-project-with-maven.html#eclipse>

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About Maven

Maven is a build automation tool used primarily for Java projects. It addresses two aspects of building software: First, it describes how software is built, and second, it describes its dependencies.

Maven projects are configured using a [Project Object Model](#), which is stored in a `pom.xml`-file.

Here's a minimal example:

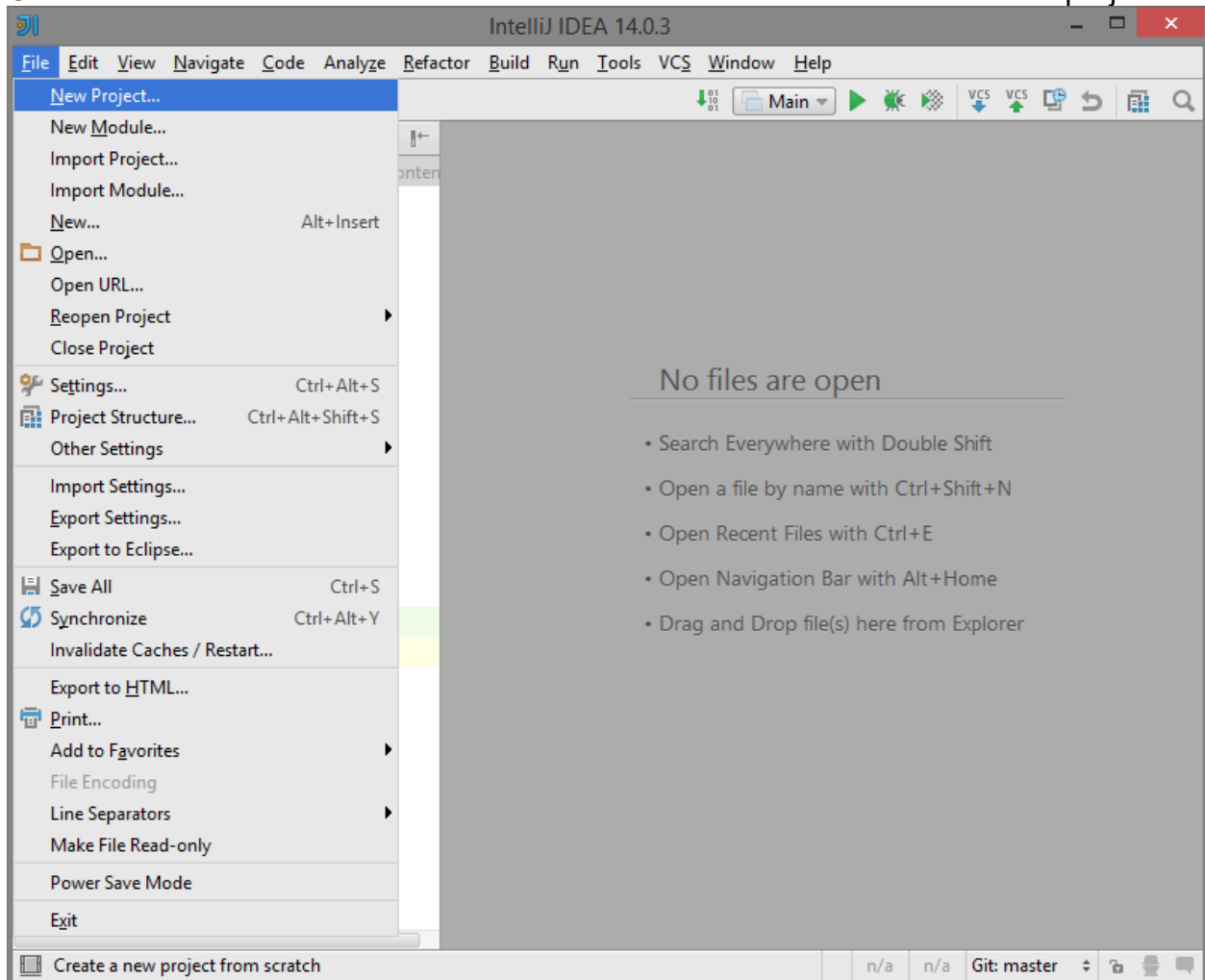
```
<project>
  <!-- model version - always 4.0.0 for Maven 2.x POMs -->
  <modelVersion>4.0.0</modelVersion>

  <!-- project coordinates - values which uniquely identify this project -->
  <groupId>com.mycompany.app</groupId>
  <artifactId>my-app</artifactId>
  <version>1.0</version>

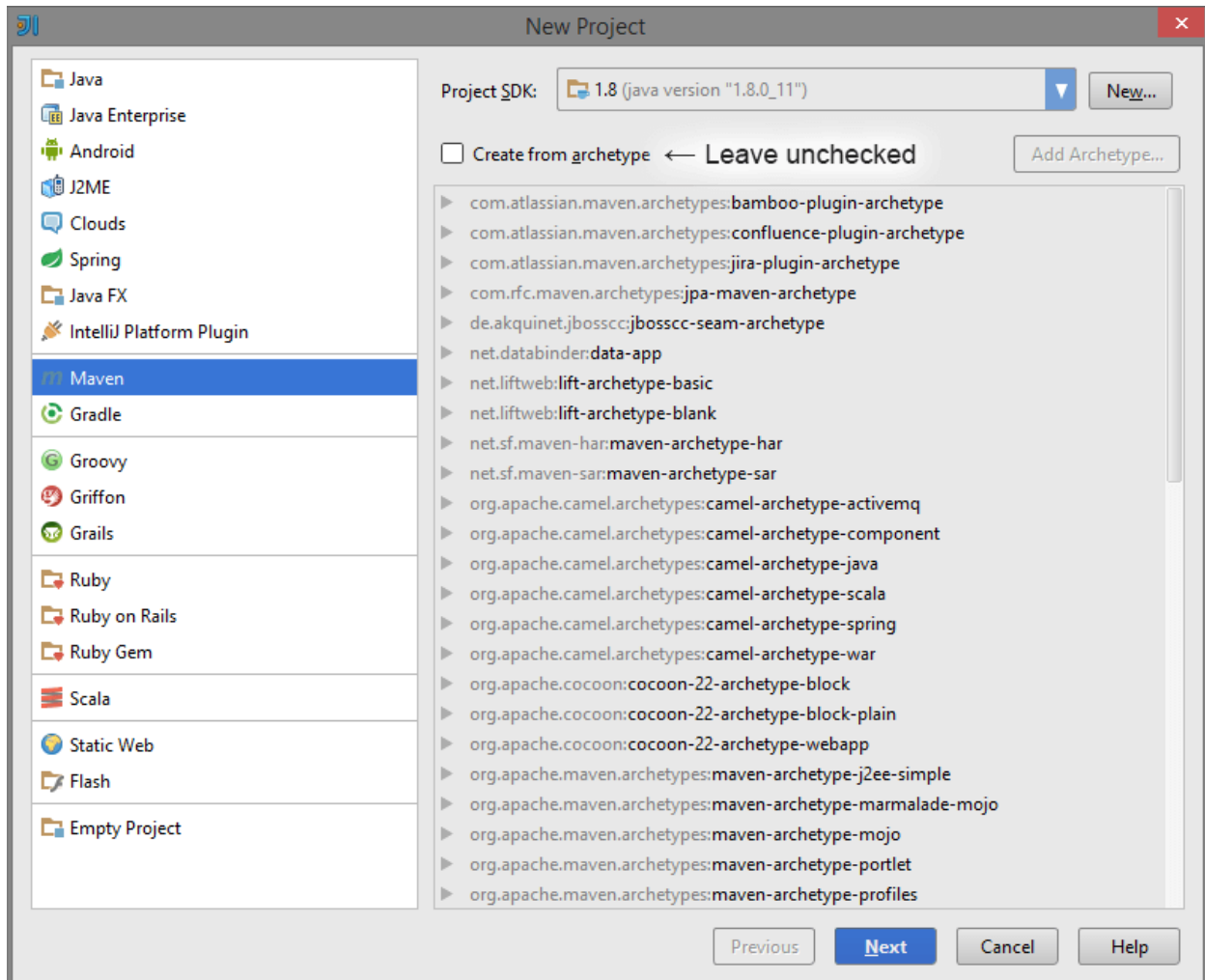
  <!-- library dependencies -->
  <dependencies>
    <dependency>
      <groupId>com.sparkjava</groupId>
      <artifactId>spark-core</artifactId>
      <version>2.2</version>
    </dependency>
  </dependencies>
</project>
```

Instructions for IntelliJ IDEA

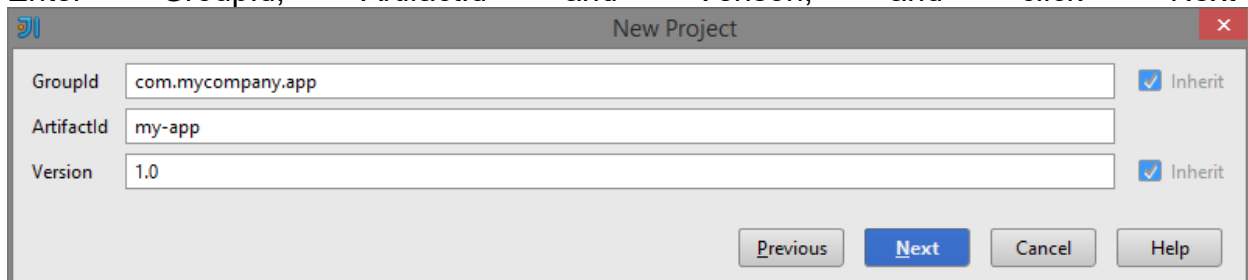
Click “File” and select “New project...”:



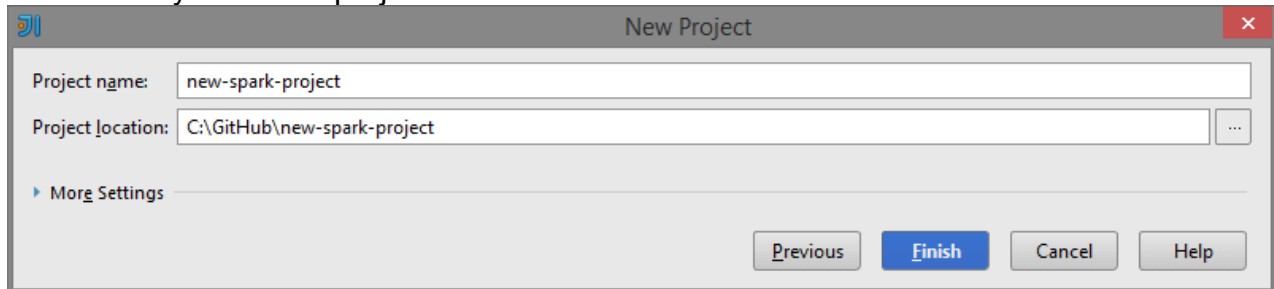
Select “Maven” on the left hand menu and click “Next”:



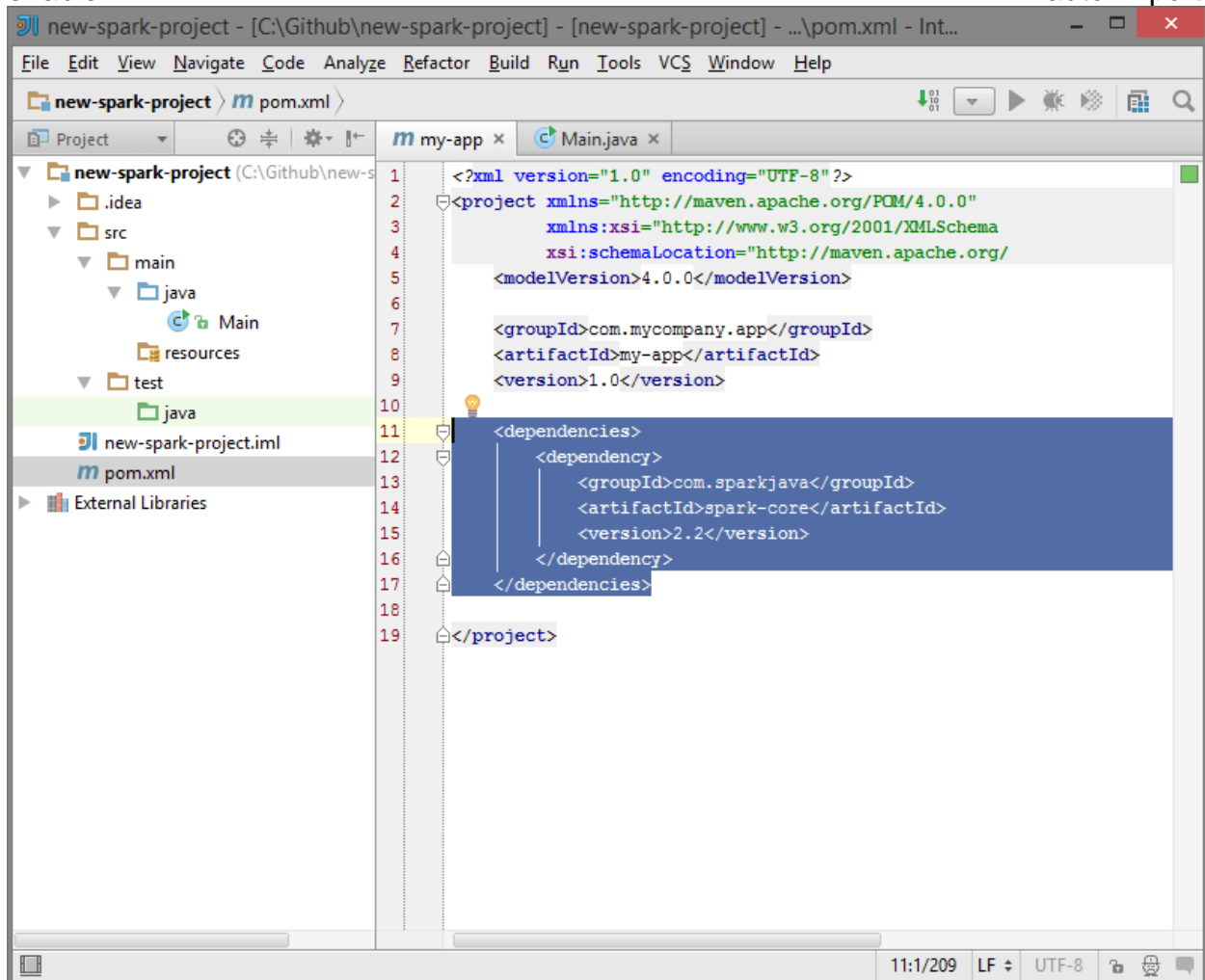
Enter GroupId, ArtifactId and Version, and click “Next”:



Give your project a name and click "Finish":



Paste the Spark dependency into the generated pom.xml. If prompted, tell IntelliJ to enable auto-import.

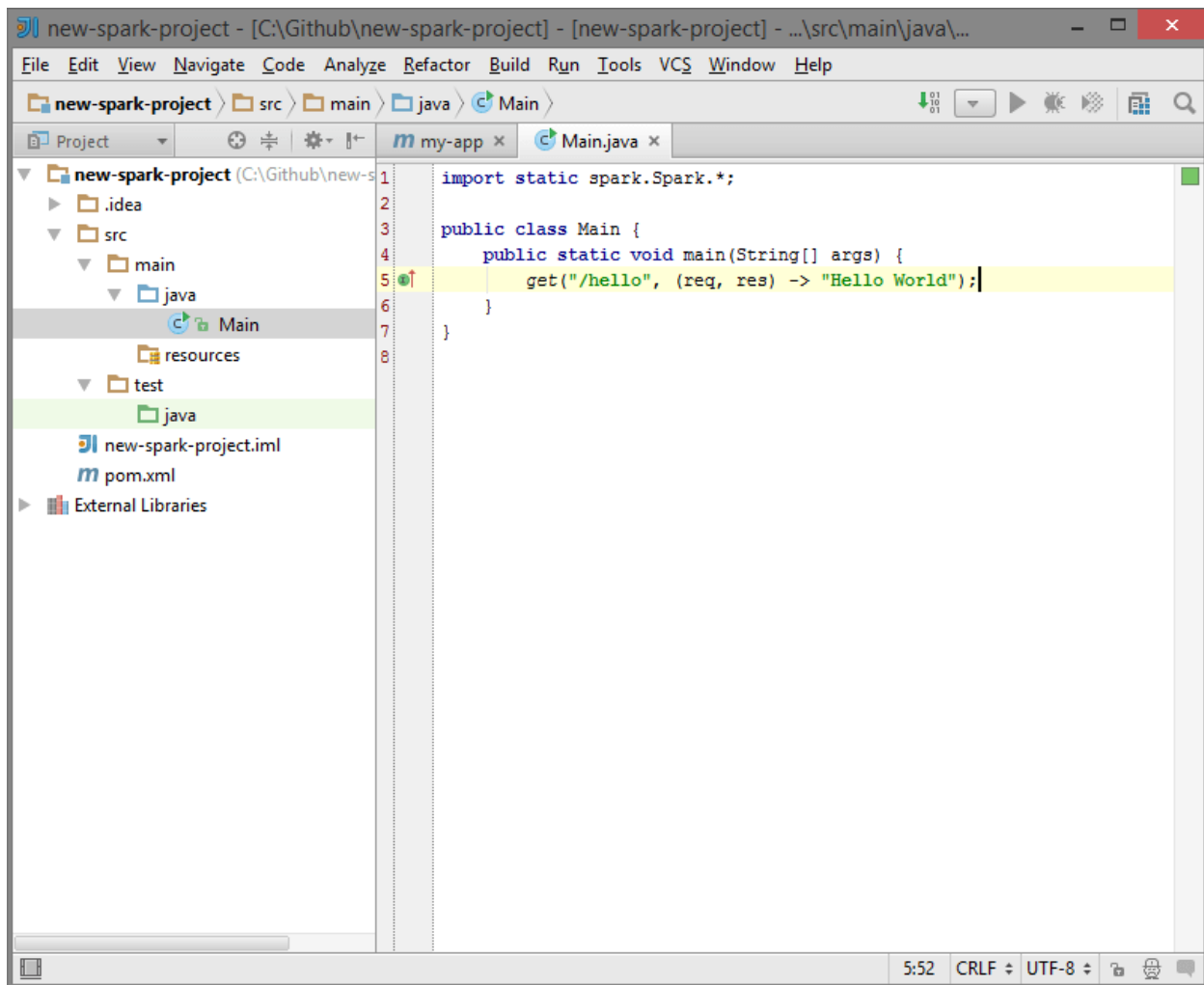


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<dependencies>
  <dependency>
    <groupId>com.sparkjava</groupId>
    <artifactId>spark-core</artifactId>
    <version>2.2</version>
  </dependency>
</dependencies>
```

Finally, paste the Spark “Hello World” snippet:

```
import static spark.Spark.*;

public class Main {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    get("/hello", (req, res) -> "Hello World");
  }
}
```

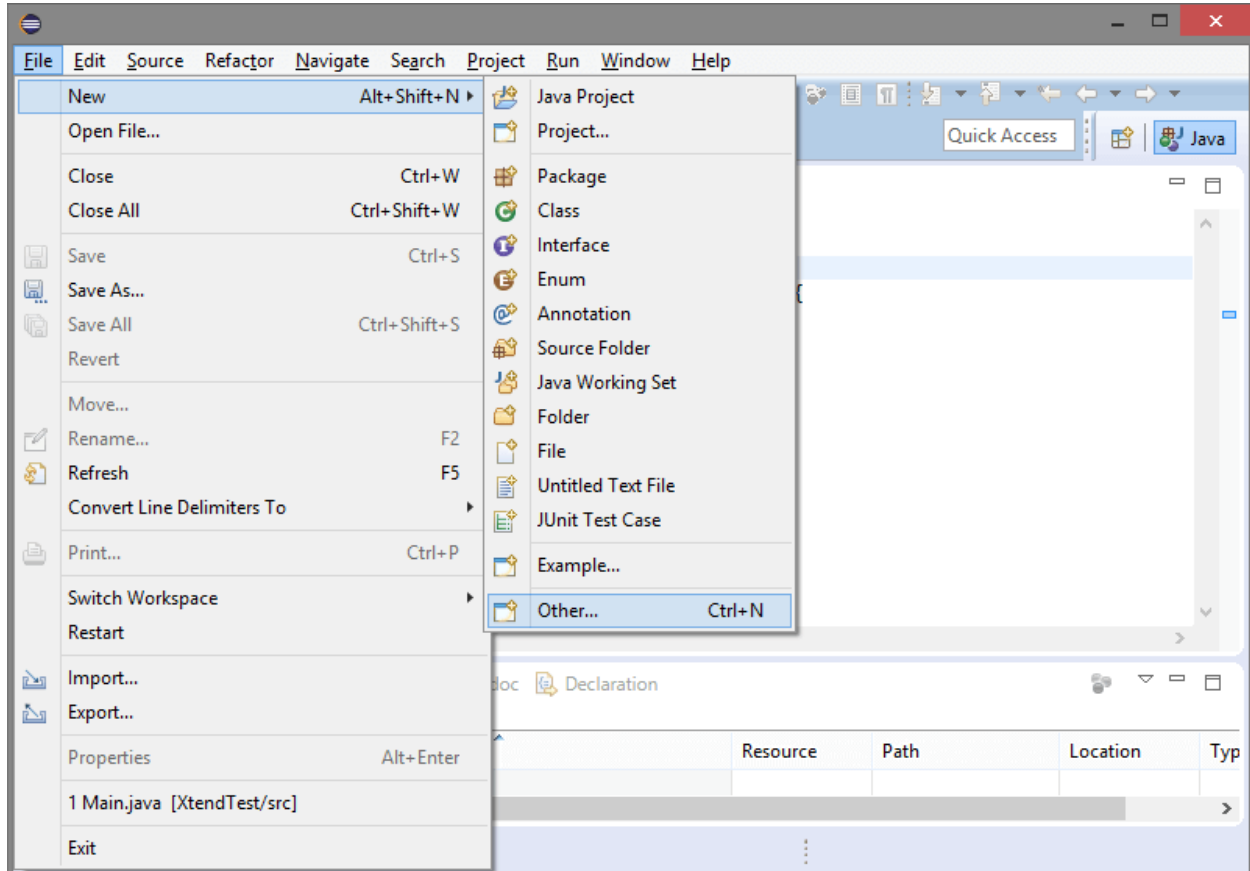


Now everything is ready for you to run your main Class. Enjoy!

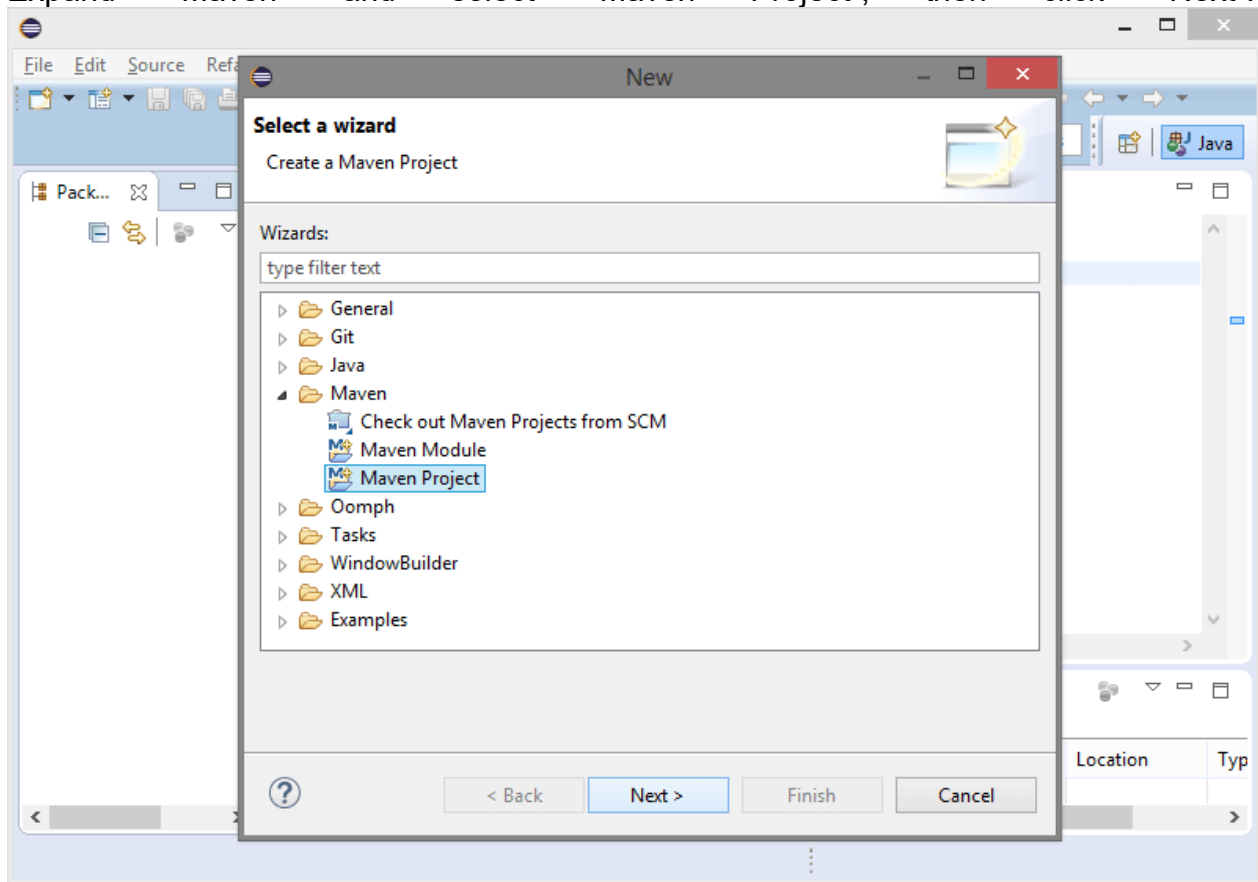
*If IntelliJ says "Method references are not supported at this language level", press **alt+enter** and choose "Set language level to 8 - Lambdas, type annotations, etc."*.

Instructions for Eclipse

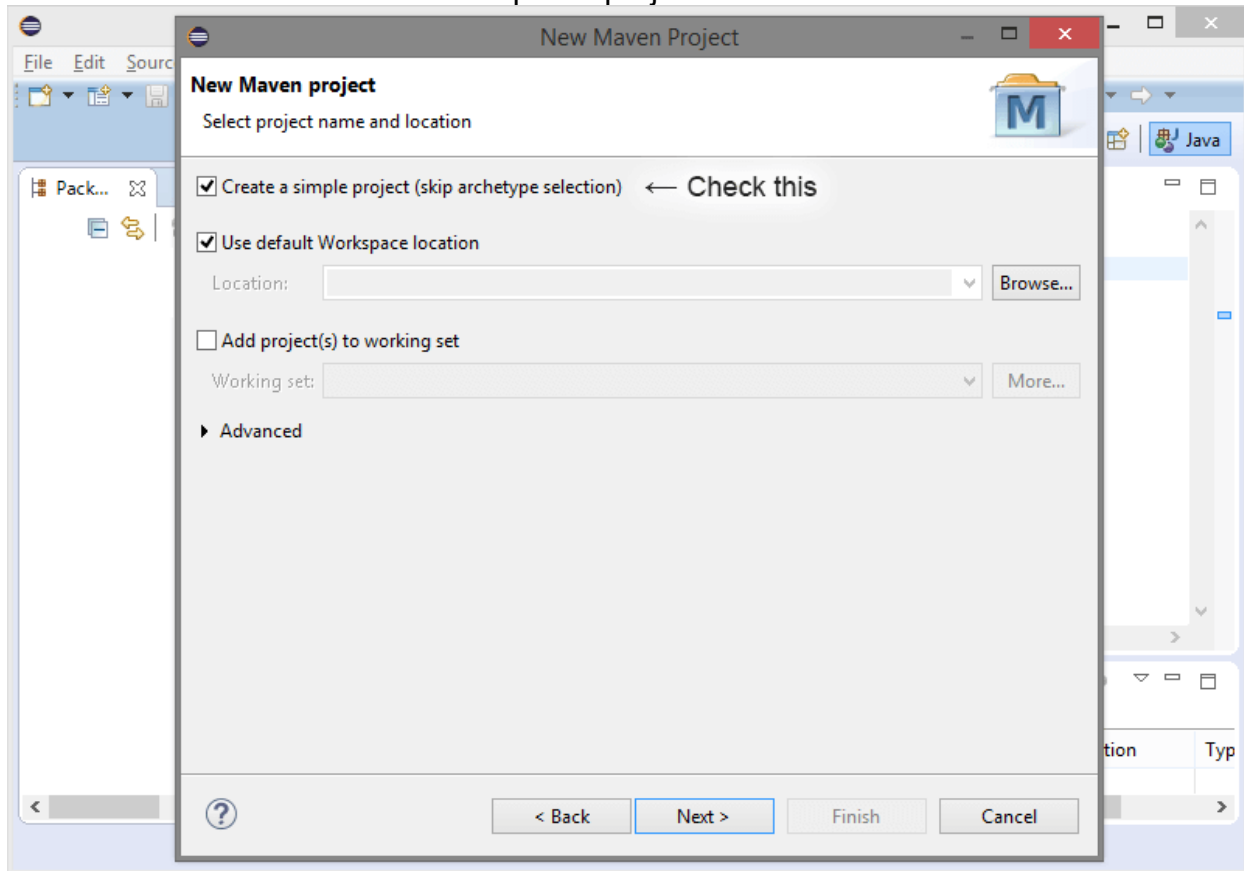
Click “File” and select “New” then “Other...”:



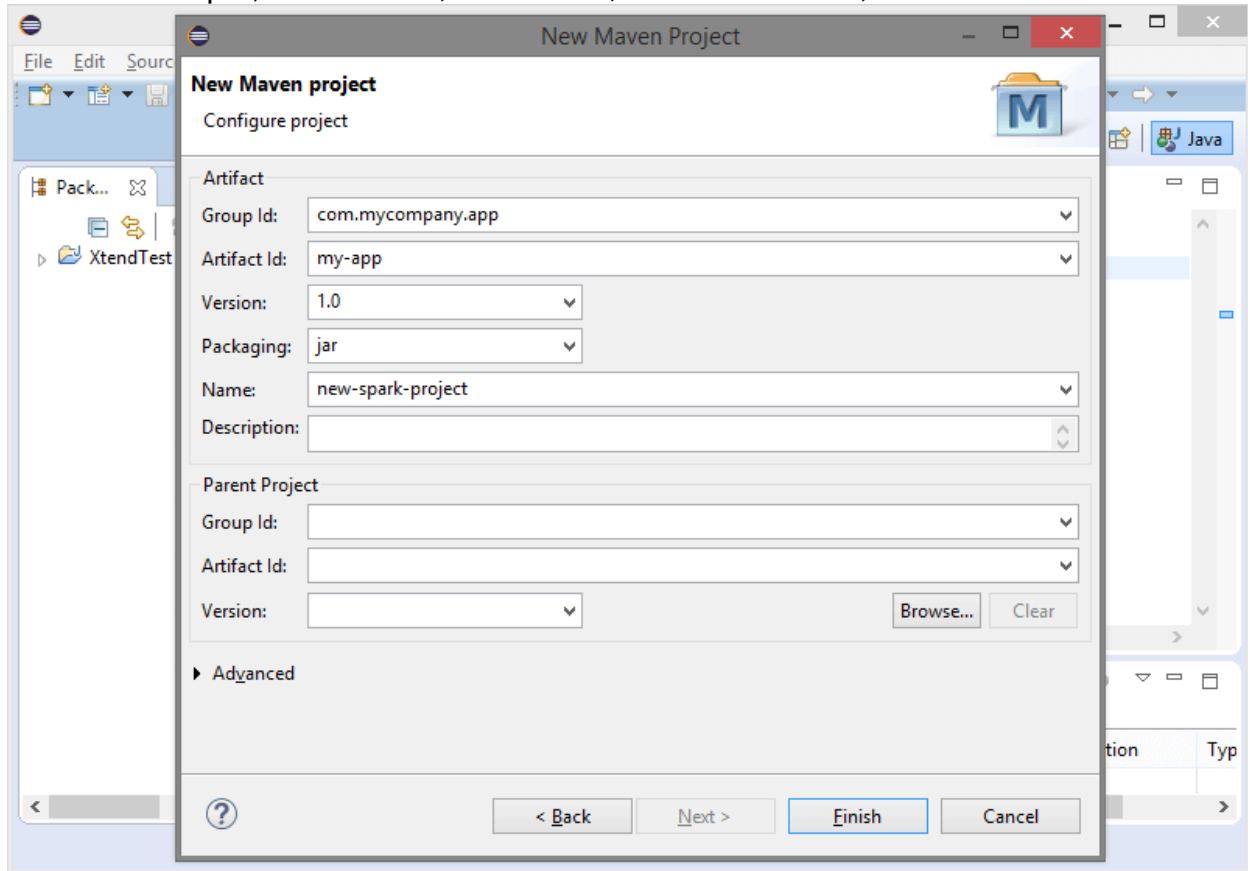
Expand “Maven” and select “Maven Project”, then click “Next”:



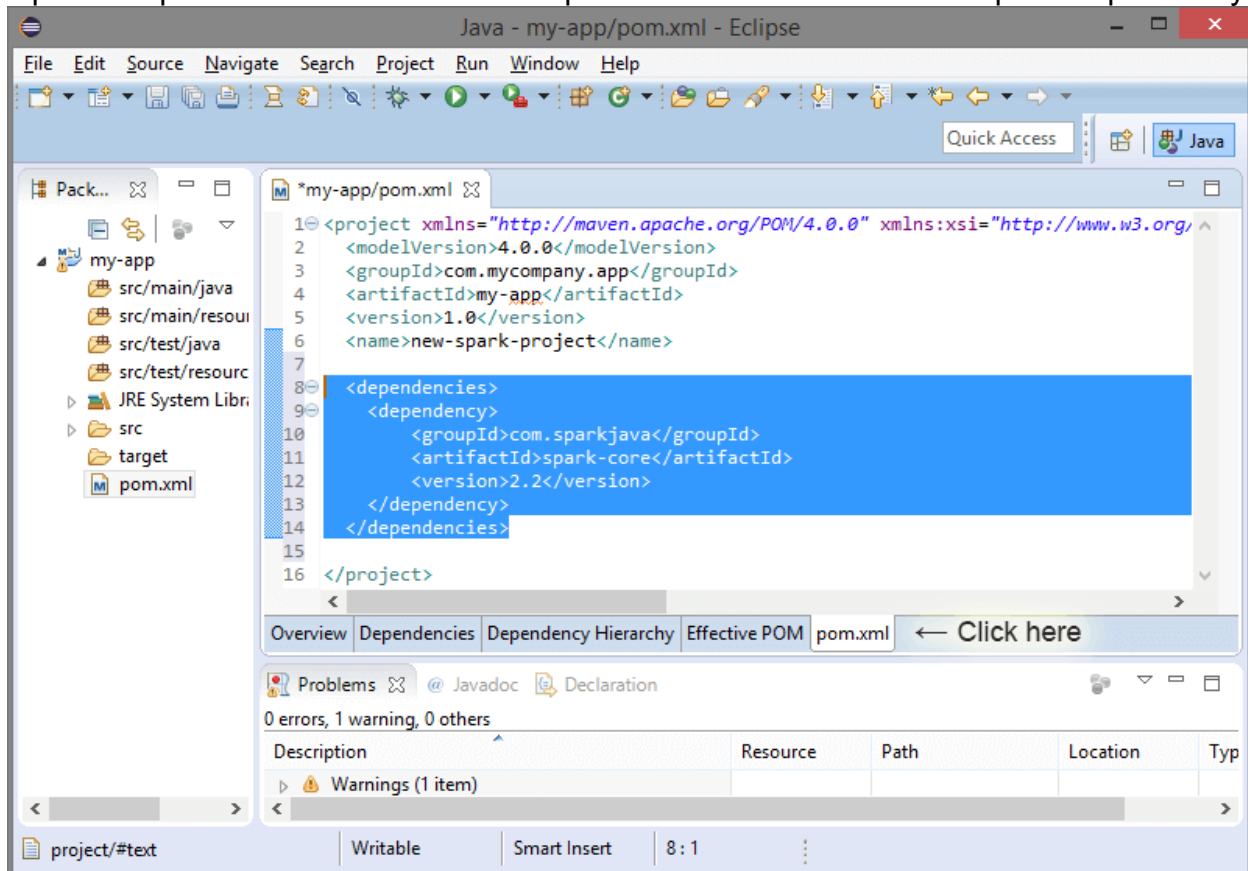
Check the “Create a simple project” checkbox and click “Next”:



Enter GroupId, ArtifactId, Version, and Name, and click "Finish":



Open the pom.xml file and click the “pom.xml” tab. Paste in the Spark dependency:



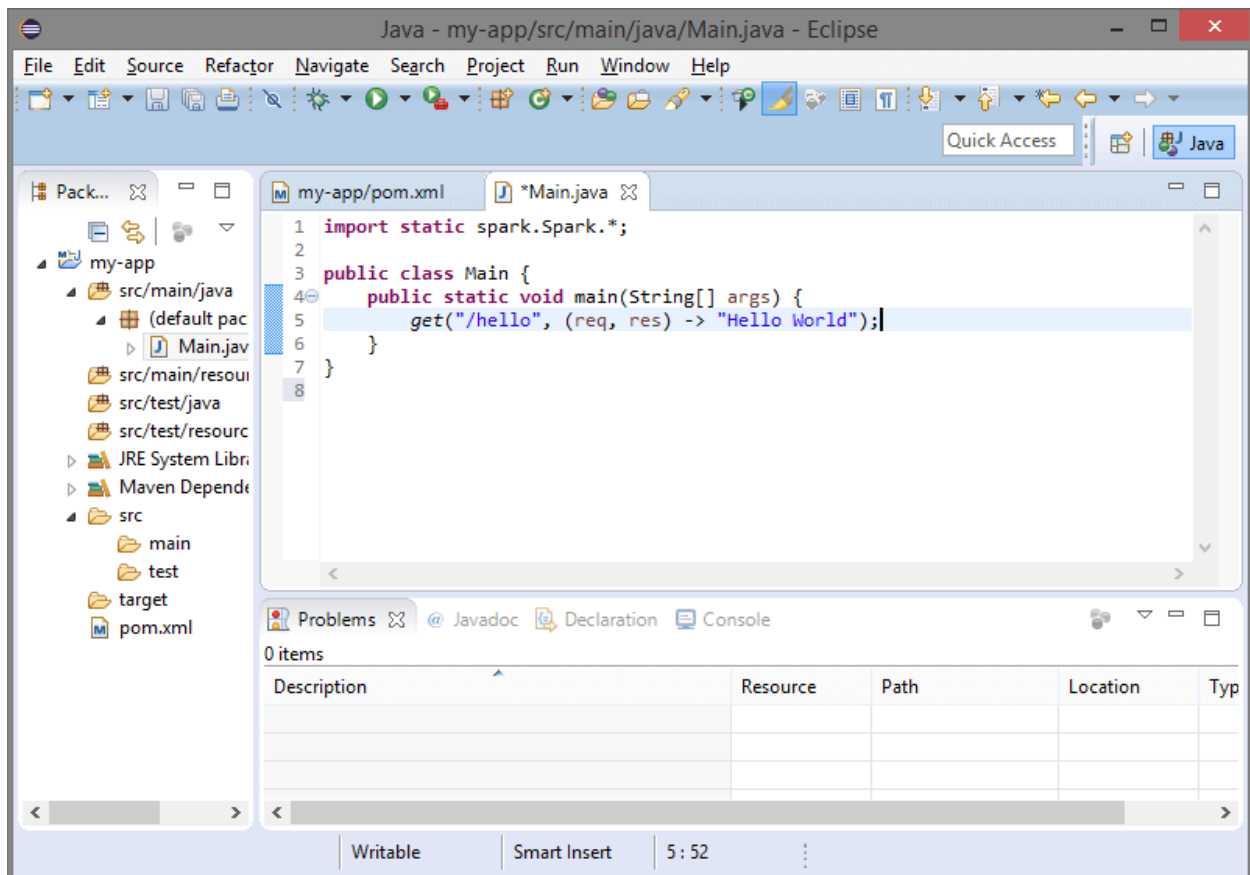
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<dependencies>
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    <artifactId>spark-core</artifactId>
    <version>2.2</version>
  </dependency>
</dependencies>
```

Save the pom.xml file!

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