

Removing Duplicates Employees from the ArrayList and Return a List without duplicates

Problem 3. [Data Structures] For this problem, you have been given two classes in the `prob1` package: `Employee` and `EmployeeInfo`. The `Employee` class has data fields `name` and `salary`, with getters and setters. `EmployeeInfo` is a partially implemented class, which has two parts.

- The first part of `EmployeeInfo` is the `removeDuplicates` method – this is the method you will implement. This method accepts a List of `Employees` and should produce a new list of the same `Employees`, but without duplicates.
- The second part is the main method which tests your `removeDuplicates` method. The main method passes in a List of `Employees` from the `TestData` class (called `originalList`) and then compares the output of your method with the list `dupsRemoved` in `TestData`. The `dupsRemoved` list is the list of `Employees` contained in `originalList` with all duplicates removed, so it is the correct output for the `removeDuplicates` method. The main method then tests whether the return list of your `removeDuplicates` method is the same as the `dupsRemoved` list; it checks this by calling the utility method `listsAreEqual`, located in `prob1.util.Util`.

For this problem, you must implement the `removeDuplicates` method. You may assume that the input list for `removeDuplicates` is not null (so you do not need to test for null in your code).

In your implementation of `removeDuplicates`, you *are not allowed* to use any implementation of Java's `Set` interface.

Your `removeDuplicates` method will, at each step, need to determine whether two given `Employee` objects are equal. To perform this comparison, you *must* override Java's `equals` in the `Employee` class. *Note:* Two `Employee` objects are considered to be equal if and only if they have the same name and salary.

To get full credit for this problem, there are two requirements:

1. The output of your `removeDuplicates` method must be a list that is identical to the `dupsRemoved` list in `TestData`
2. The utility method `Util.listsAreEqual` must return true when `TestData.dupsRemoved` and the list obtained from calling your `removeDuplicates` method are both passed in as arguments to `Util.listsAreEqual`.

In developing a solution, you are not allowed to modify the `TestData` or `Util` classes in any way, and you are not allowed to modify the main method in `EmployeeInfo`. You are allowed to *add* code to `Employee`, but *not modify* existing code in that class.

Important! To clarify any possible confusion: The only code you need to write is to implement the method `removeDuplicates` in the `EmployeeInfo` class and to override `equals` in the `Employee` class. You do *not* need to write any additional code to test whether lists are equal (this has already been done for you).