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1. Achieving 100% coverage on all test classes

a. MoneyTest.java



Figure 1: 100% coverage achieved for the MoneyTest.java

b. MoneyBagTest.java



Figure 2: 98.1% coverage achieved for the MoneyBagTest.java

c. TriClassTest.java



Figure 3: 100% coverage achieved for the TriClassTest.java

d. FunctionTest.java

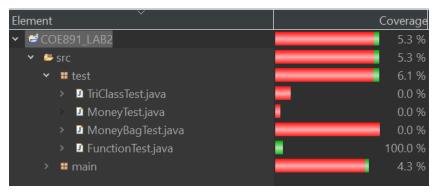


Figure 4: 100% coverage achieved for the FunctionTest.java

2. PIT Tests

a. MoneyBagTest.java

Pit Test Coverage Report

Package Summary

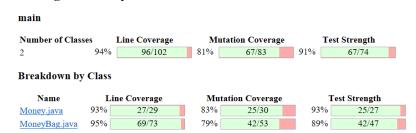


Figure 5: PIT Test coverage report on MoneyBag.java before alterations.

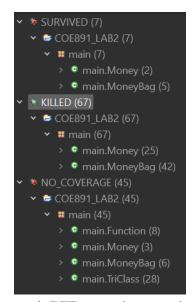


Figure 6: PIT mutations statistics.

b. MoneyTest.java

Pit Test Coverage Report

Package Summary main Number of Classes Line Coverage Mutation Coverage Test Strength 2 6% 6/102 2% 2/83 100% 2/2 Breakdown by Class Name Line Coverage Mutation Coverage Test Strength Money,java 21% 6/29 7% 2/30 100% 2/2 MoneyBag,java 0% 0/73 0% 0/53 0% 0/0

Figure 7: PIT Test coverage report on Money.java before alterations.

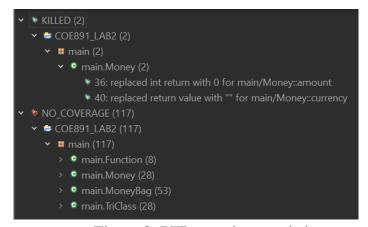
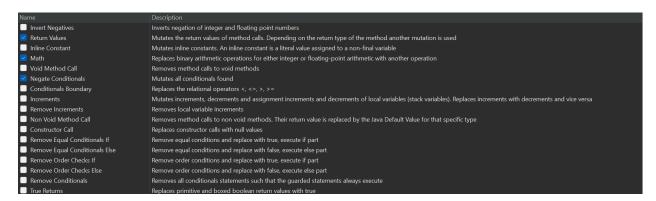


Figure 8: PIT mutations statistics.

3. Selected mutation types

a. MoneyTest.java



Selected mutators for MoneyTest.java

b. MoneyBagTest.java

■ Invert Negatives	Inverts negation of integer and floating point numbers
Return Values	Mutates the return values of method calls. Depending on the return type of the method another mutation is used
☐ Inline Constant	Mutates inline constants. An inline constant is a literal value assigned to a non-final variable
✓ Math	Replaces binary arithmetic operations for either integer or floating-point arithmetic with another operation
■ Void Method Call	Removes method calls to void methods
✓ Negate Conditionals	Mutates all conditionals found
Conditionals Boundary	Replaces the relational operators <, <=, >, >=
Increments	Mutates increments, decrements and assignment increments and decrements of local variables (stack variables). Replaces increments with decrements and vice versa
Remove Increments	Removes local variable increments
Non Void Method Call	Removes method calls to non void methods. Their return value is replaced by the Java Default Value for that specific type
Constructor Call	Replaces constructor calls with null values
Remove Equal Conditionals If	Remove equal conditions and replace with true, execute if part
Remove Equal Conditionals Else	Remove equal conditions and replace with false, execute else part
Remove Order Checks If	Remove order conditions and replace with true, execute if part
Remove Order Checks Else	Remove order conditions and replace with false, execute else part
Remove Conditionals	Removes all conditionals statements such that the guarded statements always execute
✓ True Returns	Replaces primitive and boxed boolean return values with true
✓ False Returns	Replaces primitive and boxed boolean return values with false
Primite Returns	Replaces int, short, long, char, float and double return values with 0
Empty Returns	Replaces return values with an 'empty' value
✓ Null Returns	Replaces return values with null. Method that can be mutated by the EMPTY_RETURNS mutator or that are directly annotated with NotNull are not mutated

Selected mutators for MoneyBagTest.java

4. Mutation types from the selected mutation types that achieve the highest mutation score

```
org.pitest.mutationtest.engine.gregor.mutators.VoidMethodCallMutator
 >> Generated 9 Killed 2 (22%)
  KILLED 2 SURVIVED 3 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
  MEMORY_ERROR 0 NOT_STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
  NO_COVERAGE 4
 KILLED 1 SURVIVED 0 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
 MEMORY_ERROR 0 NOT_STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
 NO COVERAGE 0
> org.pitest.mutationtest.engine.gregor.mutators.MathMutator
>> Generated 9 Killed 2 (22%)
> KILLED 2 SURVIVED 1 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
 MEMORY ERROR 0 NOT STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN ERROR 0
 NO COVERAGE 6
 KILLED 6 SURVIVED 0 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
 MEMORY_ERROR 0 NOT_STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
> NO COVERAGE 1
 KILLED 19 SURVIVED 2 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
  MEMORY_ERROR 0 NOT_STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
  NO COVERAGE 26
>> Generated 5 Killed 2 (40%)
>> KILLED 2 SURVIVED 0 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
MEMORY_ERROR 0 NOT_STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
```

Figure 9: Mutators report after altering the MoneyTest.java class.

```
Mutators
> org.pitest.mutationtest.engine.gregor.mutators.BooleanTrueReturnValsMutator
> KILLED 10 SURVIVED 1 TIMED OUT 0 NON VIABLE 0
> MEMORY_ERROR 0 NOT_STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
> NO_COVERAGE 0
> org.pitest.mutationtest.engine.gregor.mutators.EmptyObjectReturnValsMutator
>> Generated 3 Killed 2 (67%)
> KILLED 2 SURVIVED 1 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
> MEMORY_ERROR 0 NOT_STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
> NO COVERAGE 0
> org.pitest.mutationtest.engine.gregor.mutators.NullReturnValsMutator
>> Generated 17 Killed 17 (100%)
> KILLED 17 SURVIVED 0 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
> MEMORY ERROR 0 NOT STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
> NO COVERAGE 0
> org.pitest.mutationtest.engine.gregor.mutators.VoidMethodCallMutator
> KILLED 9 SURVIVED 0 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
> MEMORY_ERROR 0 NOT_STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
> NO COVERAGE 0
```

```
org.pitest.mutationtest.engine.gregor.mutators.InvertNegsMutator
>> Generated 1 Killed 1 (100%)
> KILLED 1 SURVIVED 0 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
> MEMORY ERROR 0 NOT STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN ERROR 0
> NO COVERAGE 0
> org.pitest.mutationtest.engine.gregor.mutators.MathMutator
>> Generated 4 Killed 2 (50%)
> KILLED 2 SURVIVED 2 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
> MEMORY_ERROR 0 NOT_STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
> NO COVERAGE 0
> org.pitest.mutationtest.engine.gregor.mutators.BooleanFalseReturnValsMutator
>> Generated 7 Killed 6 (86%)
> KILLED 6 SURVIVED 1 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
> MEMORY ERROR 0 NOT STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN ERROR 0
> NO COVERAGE 0
> org.pitest.mutationtest.engine.gregor.mutators.NegateConditionalsMutator
>> Generated 28 Killed 25 (89%)
> KILLED 25 SURVIVED 3 TIMED_OUT 0 NON_VIABLE 0
> MEMORY_ERROR 0 NOT_STARTED 0 STARTED 0 RUN_ERROR 0
 NO COVERAGE 0
```

5. PIT scores

a. MoneyTest.java

Pit Test Coverage Report

Package Summary

main

Number of Classes		Line Coverage	Mut	Mutation Coverage		Test Strength		
2	6%	6/102	5%	4/78	100%	4/4		
Breakdown by	Class							
Name L		ine Coverage	Mutation Coverage			Test Strength		
Money.java	21%	6/29	13%	4/31	10	0% 4/4		
MoneyBag.java	0%	0/73	0%	0/47		0% 0/0		

Figure 10: PIT Test Coverage Report on MoneyTest.java after alterations.

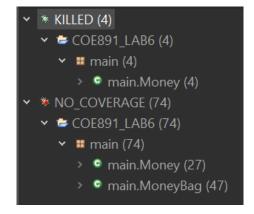


Figure 11: PIT mutations statistics of MoneyTest.java after alterations.

Active mutators

- EMPTY RETURN VALUES
- MATH MUTATOR
- NEGATE CONDITIONALS MUTATOR
- PRIMITIVE_RETURN_VALS_MUTATOR
- RETURN_VALS_MUTATOR

Figure 13: Active Mutators of the MoneyTest.java test class.

b. MoneyBagTest.java

Pit Test Coverage Report

Package Summary

main							
Number of Clas	f Classes Line Coverage		Mu	tation Coverage	Test Strength		
2	100%	102/102	93%	91/98	93%	91/98	
Breakdown by Class							
Name	Line	Coverage	Mutation Coverage		1	Test Strength	
Money.java	100%	29/29	93%	37/40	93%	37/40	
MoneyBag.java	100%	73/73	93%	54/58	93%	54/58	

Figure 14: PIT Test Coverage Report on MoneyBagTest.java after alterations.



Figure 15: PIT mutations statistics of MoneyBagTest.java after alterations.

Active mutators

- BOOLEAN FALSE RETURN
- BOOLEAN TRUE RETURN
- CONSTRUCTOR CALL MUTATOR
- MATH MUTATOR
- NULL_RETURN_VALUES
- RETURN_VALS_MUTATOR
- VOID MĒTHOD CALL MUTATOR

Figure 16: Active Mutators of the MoneyBagTest.java test class.

6. Comparisons

The mutations report for before and after test class alteration of the Money.java class is displayed below. The two reports demonstrate the mutants that survived, killed, and did not achieve any coverage. Furthermore, the altered test class was able to achieve more mutator coverage as it increased the effectiveness of the tests by being able to introduce different types of mutators through various test cases.

Initial Mutation Report:

```
Mutations

22 1. replaced return value with null for main/Money::add → NO_COVERAGE
25 1. negated conditional → NO_COVERAGE
26 1. Replaced integer addition with subtraction → NO_COVERAGE
27 2. replaced return value with null for main/Money::addMoney → NO_COVERAGE
28 1. replaced return value with null for main/Money::addMoney → NO_COVERAGE
29 1. replaced return value with null for main/Money::addMoney → NO_COVERAGE
20 1. replaced return value with null for main/Money::addMoney → NO_COVERAGE
21 1. replaced return value with "" for main/Money::addMoney → NO_COVERAGE
22 1. replaced return value with "" for main/Money::currency → KILLED
23 1. replaced return value with "" for main/Money::currency → KILLED
24 1. negated conditional → NO_COVERAGE
25 1. negated conditional → NO_COVERAGE
26 1. replaced boolean return with false for main/Money::equals → NO_COVERAGE
27 1. replaced boolean return with true for main/Money::equals → NO_COVERAGE
28 1. replaced boolean return with true for main/Money::equals → NO_COVERAGE
29 2. replaced boolean return with true for main/Money::equals → NO_COVERAGE
30 3. negated conditional → NO_COVERAGE
31 4. replaced boolean return with true for main/Money::equals → NO_COVERAGE
32 4. replaced integer addition with subtraction → NO_COVERAGE
33 5. replaced integer addition with subtraction → NO_COVERAGE
34 6. replaced integer addition with false for main/Money::isZero → NO_COVERAGE
35 6. replaced integer multiplication with division → NO_COVERAGE
36 7. replaced boolean return with true for main/Money::isZero → NO_COVERAGE
38 7. replaced return value with null for main/Money::magate → NO_COVERAGE
39 8. replaced return value with null for main/Money::magate → NO_COVERAGE
40 9. replaced return value with null for main/Money::magate → NO_COVERAGE
41 9. replaced return value with null for main/Money::magate → NO_COVERAGE
42 9. replaced return value with null for main/Money::magate → NO_COVERAGE
43 9. replaced return value with null for main/Money::magate → NO_COVERAGE
44 9. replaced return value wit
```

Figure 13: Report of mutations of the Money.java class before alterations.

Mutation report after increasing mutation coverage:

```
Mutations
                    1. replaced return value with null for main/Money::add \rightarrow NO_COVERAGE 2. mutated return of Object value for main/Money::add to ( if (x != null) null else throw new RuntimeException ) \rightarrow NO_COVERAGE
             26 1. negated conditional → NO_COVERAGE
                    1. Replaced integer addition with subtraction → NO_COVERAGE
2. replaced return value with null for main/Money::addMoney → NO_COVERAGE
3. mutated return of Object value for main/Money::addMoney to ( if (x != null) null else throw new PuntimeException) → NO_COVERAGE
                     RuntimeException ) → NO_COVERAGE

    replaced return value with null for main/Money::addMoney → NO_COVERAGE
    mutated return of Object value for main/Money::addMoney to ( if (x != null) null else throw new

                     RuntimeException ) → NO_COVERAGE

    replaced return value with null for main/Money::addMoneyBag → NO_COVERAGE
    mutated return of Object value for main/Money::addMoneyBag to ( if (x != null) null else throw new

                     RuntimeException ) → NO_COVERAGE
             36 1. replaced int return with 0 for main/Money::amount → KILLED
2. replaced return of integer sized value with (x == 0 ? 1 : 0) → KILLED
             1. mutated return of Object value for main/Money::currency to ( if (x != null) null else throw new RuntimeException ) 

**XILLED**

    negated conditional → NO COVERAGE

    negated conditional → NO COVERAGE

    replaced boolean return with false for main/Money::equals → NO COVERAGE

    replaced boolean return with true for main/Money::equals → NO_COVERAGE
    replaced return of integer sized value with (x == 0 ? 1 : 0) → NO_COVERAGE

47 1. negated conditional → NO_COVERAGE

    replaced boolean return with false for main/Money::equals → NO_COVERAGE
    replaced boolean return with true for main/Money::equals → NO_COVERAGE

      3. negated conditional \rightarrow NO_COVERAGE
4. replaced return of integer sized value with (x == 0 ? 1 : 0) \rightarrow NO_COVERAGE
5. replaced return of integer sized value with (x == 0 ? 1 : 0) \rightarrow NO_COVERAGE

    negated conditional → NO_COVERAGE

1. replaced boolean return with true for main/Money::equals → NO_COVERAGE
2. replaced return of integer sized value with (x == 0 ? 1 : 0) → NO_COVERAGE
1. Replaced integer addition with subtraction → NO_COVERAGE
2. replaced int return with 0 for main/Money::hashCode → NO_COVERAGE
3. replaced return of integer sized value with (x == 0 ? 1 : 0) → NO_COVERAGE

    replaced boolean return with false for main/Money::isZero → NO_COVERAGE
    replaced boolean return with true for main/Money::isZero → NO_COVERAGE

3. negated conditional → NO_COVERAGE
4. replaced return of integer sized value with (x == 0 ? 1 : 0) → NO_COVERAGE
5. replaced return of integer sized value with (x == 0 ? 1 : 0) → NO_COVERAGE

    Replaced integer multiplication with division → NO_COVERAGE
    replaced return value with null for main/Money::multiply → NO_COVERAGE
    mutated return of Object value for main/Money::multiply to ( if (x != null) null else throw new RuntimeException ) → NO_COVERAGE

    replaced return value with null for main/Money::negate → NO_COVERAGE
    mutated return of Object value for main/Money::negate to ( if (x != null) null else throw new

        RuntimeException ) → NO_COVERAGE

    replaced return value with null for main/Money::subtract → NO_COVERAGE
    mutated return of Object value for main/Money::subtract to ( if (x != null) null else throw new

        RuntimeException ) → NO_COVERAGE
\frac{78}{1} 1. mutated return of Object value for main/Money::toString to ( if (x != null) null else throw new RuntimeException ) \rightarrow NO_COVERAGE
```

Figure 14: Report of mutations of the Money.java class after alterations.

Effective software testing is crucial for building reliable programs. Mutation testing takes this a step further by injecting controlled errors into the code and checking if existing tests can catch them. This process exposes weaknesses in the test suite, highlighting areas where real bugs might slip through the cracks. Achieving high mutation coverage signifies that the tests are effectively identifying these errors and the assurance in finding these issues. The following report for the Money class showcases the mutation coverage of 7% before and 13% after achieving higher mutation coverage.

Pit Test Coverage Report

Package Summary main Number of Classes Line Coverage **Mutation Coverage Test Strength** 6% 6/102 2/83 Breakdown by Class Line Coverage **Mutation Coverage** Test Strength 2/30 Money.java MoneyBag.java 0/53 0%

Figure 15: Report of PIT Test Coverage of Money.java class before alterations.

Pit Test Coverage Report

Package Summary

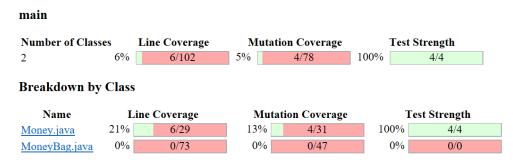


Figure 16: Report of mutations of the Money.java class after alterations.

Finally, the report of the test class before had 28 uncovered mutants and only 2 killed mutants while zero survived mutants. This decreased the quality of the tests as it did not test all possible outputs that may enable the program to allow incorrect values or exceed boundary conditions. However, after altering the mutators performed on the MoneyTest.ajava class, the PIT test report covered 57 and killed 49 mutants, and only 8 surviving mutants. Fewer test methods can significantly limit the effectiveness of PIT (mutation) testing and mutation coverage. With a restricted test suite, the chances of encountering the code modifications introduced by mutations decrease. Many mutations might remain undetected because the existing tests simply don't exercise the code paths where they're injected. This results in a lower mutation coverage score, which doesn't accurately reflect the true resilience of your code. Fewer tests might overlook different types of potential faults that mutations represent. This can create a false sense of security, as real bugs that cause similar errors might slip through undetected.

```
    ★ KILLED (2)
    ★ COE891_LAB2 (2)
    ★ main (2)
    ★ 36: replaced int return with 0 for main/Money::amount
    ★ 40: replaced return value with "" for main/Money::currency
    ★ NO_COVERAGE (117)
    ★ COE891_LAB2 (117)
    ★ main (117)
    ★ main.Function (8)
    ★ main.Money (28)
    ★ main.MoneyBag (53)
    ★ main.TricClass (28)
```

Figure 17: Report of status of the mutants of the Money.java class before alterations.

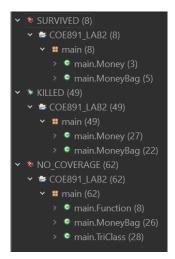


Figure 18: Report of status of the mutants of the Money.java class after alterations.

The mutations report for before and after test class alteration of the MoneyBag.java class is displayed below. The two reports demonstrate the mutants that survived, killed, and did not achieve any coverage. Furthermore, the altered test class was able to achieve more mutator coverage as it increased the effectiveness of the tests by being able to introduce different types of mutators through various test cases. The report of the test class before had covered all mutants and 91 killed mutants while 7 survived mutants. A larger pool of simulated mutants offers a wider range of faults to expose. Additionally, diverse test methods act like probes, reaching deeper into your code to uncover these hidden weaknesses. This combined effort leads to a more accurate assessment of the program's quality and resilience.

Pit Test Coverage Report

Package Summary

main Number of Classes Line Coverage **Mutation Coverage** Test Strength 94% 96/102 81% 67/83 91% 67/74 Breakdown by Class Name Line Coverage Mutation Coverage Test Strength 83% 25/30 93% 27/29 93% 25/27 Money.java 89% 42/53 MoneyBag.java 95% 69/73 79% 42/47

Figure 19: Report of PIT Test Coverage of MoneyBag.java class before alterations.

Pit Test Coverage Report

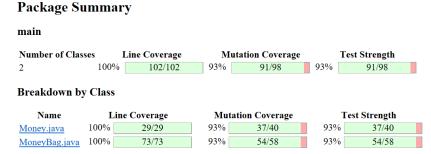


Figure 20: Report of PIT Test Coverage of MoneyBag.java class before alterations.



Figure 21: Report of status of the mutants of the MoneyBag.java class after alterations.

- 7. The following are a list of uncovered mutants are killed by a my own list of mutators for MoneyTest.java and MoneyBagTest.java
 - a. List of selected mutators from previous steps that achieved higher mutation coverage:
 - BOOLEAN_FALSE_RETURN: This mutation type alters a method's return statement that originally returns true to return false
 - MoneyBag Lines: 63, 75, 92, 105

- This mutation aims to expose errors in code that relies on the expected true value. If the code doesn't handle the unexpected false scenario correctly, the test might fail.
- BOOLEAN_TRUE_RETURN: This mutation type flips the logic of a method's return statement that originally returns false to return true instead.
 - MoneyBag Lines: 68, 73, 77, 92, 105
 - This mutation seeks to uncover errors in code that depend on the expected false behavior. If the code isn't designed to handle the unexpected true outcome, the test might fail.
- CONSTRUCTOR CALL MUTATOR
 - This mutation type replaces a constructor call with a different constructor call, potentially from the same class or a related class.
 - This mutation can reveal issues where the original constructor is crucial for correct object initialization. If the substitute constructor doesn't provide the necessary setup, the test might fail.
- MATH_MUTATOR: replace mathematical operations within your code with alternative operations. This aims to expose potential errors in calculations due to these modifications.
 - Money Lines: 36
 - o MoneyBag Lines: 63, 68, 73, 75, 77, 91, 92, 105
 - If the original calculations are crucial for the code's functionality, these
 mutations could lead to incorrect results and failed tests in the lines
 mentioned.
- NULL_RETURN_VALUES: This mutation type modifies a method that originally returns a non-null value to return null instead.
 - o Money Lines: 40
 - o MoneyBag Lines: 23,27,31,35,84,116,125,130,131,135
 - This mutation targets code that expects a valid return value and might not handle null appropriately. If the code doesn't have null checks or throws an exception when encountering null, the test might fail.
- RETURN_VALS_MUTATOR: This mutation type alters the return value of a method to a different value within a predefined set of options (likely based on the original return type).
 - o Money Lines: 36, 40
 - MoneyBag Lines: 23, 27, 31, 35, 63, 68, 73, 75, 77, 84, 91, 92, 105, 116,125,130,131,135
 - This mutation is designed to expose errors in code that relies on the specific return value. If the code doesn't handle other possible return values gracefully, the test might fail.
- VOID_METHOD_CALL_MUTATOR: This mutation type replaces a call to a
 method that originally returns a value (not necessarily void) with a call to a
 different method that returns void.
 - o Lines: 17, 20, 21, 22, 40, 47, 54, 109, 113, 120, 123, 139, 148
 - This mutation aims to uncover errors in code that depend on the return value of the original method. If the code doesn't handle the absence of a return value correctly (e.g., expecting a specific value to be used later), the test might fail
- EMPTY RETURN VALUES
 - Could not cover Money test
- NEGATE CONDITIONALS MUTATOR
 - Could not cover Money test

• PRIMITIVE RETURN VALS MUTATOR

- o Could not cover Money test
- 8. The remaining surviving mutants could not be killed because they likely involved changes that are logically equivalent to the original code, or the mutations were in areas that your testing methods couldn't reach. Here's a breakdown of some surviving mutants and the rationale behind their occurrence:
 - Line 46 in MoneyTest: Replacing the boolean return value of equals with true (survived). This mutation is equivalent to the original logic in certain cases. For instance, the original equals method simply checked if both objects were non-null, then replacing the return value with true might not change the outcome.
 - Line 56 in MoneyTest: Replacing integer addition with subtraction in hashCode (survived). When subtracting a value from fAmount, the implementation of currency().hashCode() mathematically results in the same hash code as adding them.

In conclusion, achieving 100% mutation coverage is very difficult because some mutations might represent logic that is valid under certain conditions or exist in parts of the code that is not thoroughly tested.