

What I did

Refactor

Onion architecture

I implemented a DDD-friendly architecture (so called [Onion](#) – I can explain in more details).

Basically:

- SynetecAssessmentApi.Domain

This becomes the Core layer – it's the layer where the Model and Interfaces are defined. This is the place where business services are defined – but these services are agnostic about the infrastructure (data persistence, email sending,...). See BonusPoolService and EmployeeService: these guys know, for example, that they have to return an Employee based on its ID by calling a repository (EmployeeService).

- SynetecAssessment.Persistence

I'm not happy with the name. I would call it *Infrastructure* – and this is the place where the Interfaces dealing with database (but not only) are implemented. For example, a generic repository is defined in Core, but it's implemented in this project.

- SynetecAssessmentApi

It's the project containing the controllers.

Interfaces

I made all the services (and the DbContext) injectable.

Refactored BonusPoolService

This guy was doing too many things: get all employees from database (??), get one employee from database, calculate the bonus, returning a DTO... I kept only the calculation here.

! This has only one method accepting various decimals (btw, I preferred decimals instead of integers because, when working with money, it's safer to avoid rounding the numbers as late as possible). Now, when I am thinking about it, I think a better approach would have been to send an Employee as input, and not just some numbers, because the idea is to calculate the bonus for an Employee and not to perform just some arithmetical operations. To be discussed.

Unit tests

Added Unit tests for:

- BonusPoolService – I tried to cover also the edge cases, like, for example, negative numbers or division by zero. To enforce these rules I added a nuget package Ardalis.GuardClause and I'm checking it in the BonusPoolService.

- EmployeeService

Nothing fancy here, an improvement can be reusing the creation of test data (see `GetTestEmployee` method from `BonusPoolController`)

- `BonusPoolController`

Here I changed a little bit the requirements. If the employee doesn't exist, I'm returning a `NoContent` instead of `BadRequest`.

I added an additional test which verifies that `BonusPoolService.CalculateBonusAsync` is indeed called

Other possible improvements:

- use `FluentAssertions`
- introduce integration tests for controller (not required :p)

Other stuff

BonusPoolController

Right now the `CalculateBonusAsync` is using two dependencies to calculate the bonus: `EmployeeService` is returning the `Employee`, `BonusPoolService` is calculating the bonus. Another approach could have been that the `EmployeeService` is just receiving the ID of the `Employee`, calls internally the `BonusPoolService` in order to find the bonus amount and then return *something* that can be used to send data to client. I didn't like this approach because this means that I have to "pollute" the domain – I have to return a something (a mutant between the `Employee` and the amount value) which has no meaning in the domain. One way to do it is to use out parameters (ugly!), a tuple (not so ugly, but still). Another way would have been to adjust the `Employee` to accommodate the `Amount` (not convinced at all that the amount should be part of the domain).

Also I introduced here the `FluentValidation` nuget package (see `Validators/CalculateBonusDtoValidator`) which helps on enforcing the model validation. Currently I am returning a list of errors by flattening whatever `ModelState` gives me back.

Also I am using here a static mapper (using a nice Visual Studio extension). Another way can be to use `AutoMapper` – but I think it would have been to much trouble.

AppDbContext

I didn't touch it, I just moved it under `SynetecAssessment.Persistence/Data`. One note here: I'm not a big fan of `InMemoryDatabase` (I think it has a limitation when it comes to cascade deleting entities – but I'm not sure).

EFRepository<T>

I kept this slim because of YAGNI. Usually in a repository there should be more functionality (for adding, updating, deleting, plus a way to execute specific queries over the database). It was not the case for this app.

EmployeeRepository

Inherits from `EFRepository`, but I am overriding the `GetAllSync` and `GetByIdAsync` because I need to include the `Department` and also I need an extra thing there, namely `GetTotalSalaries`.

DbContextGenerator

I made the SeedData private so that I'll prevent potential callers to seed data again. In fact, it was not necessary at all to be public. A note about this: I prefer migrations for this data seeding.

Startup

I added the services for DI and removed UseAuthorization (since it was not required).

IRepository<T>

As I already wrote above, I kept it to a minimum (YAGNI).

All

I updated to .NET Core 6 – not required, but it's nice to use the newest tools. I hope you can still run it.