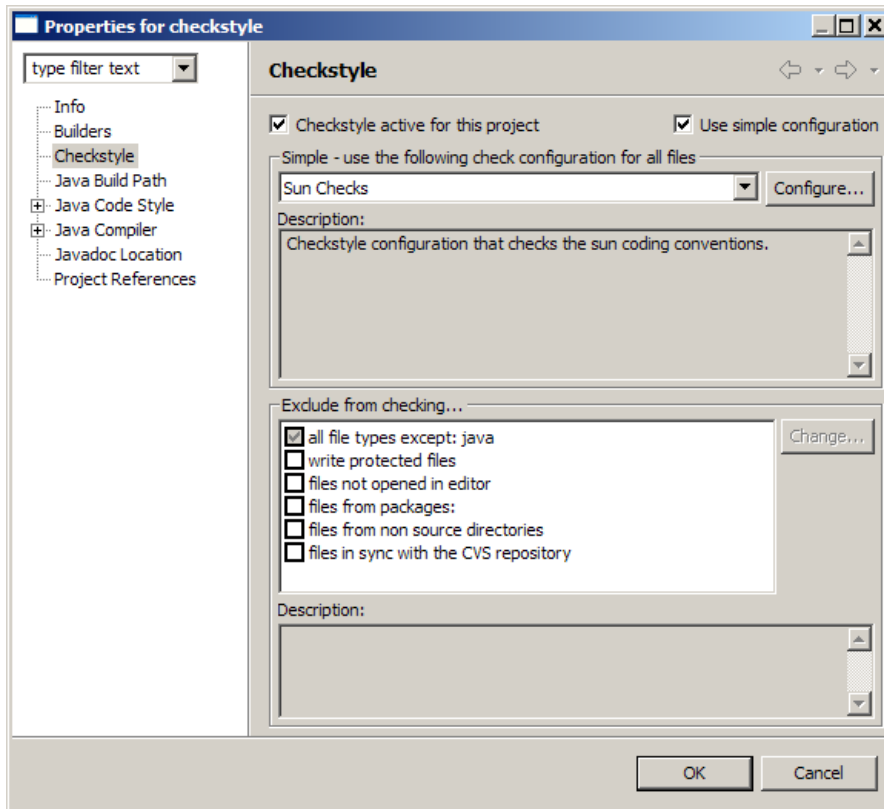


As you surely know by now, the Eclipse Checkstyle Plug-in sports filters to exclude files from the checks. These filters are available on the plug-ins project properties page.



If filters are activated for a project they exclude certain files of the project from the checks based on their specific implementation.

Many useful filters are [already coming](#) with the plug-in distribution. However you may need to implement other filters that are very specific to your environment.

To enable you to write your own filters the plug-in defines an extension point for filters [net.sf.eclipsecore.filters](#).

Example:

Using the [net.sf.eclipsecore.filters](#) extension point in your `plugin.xml`

```
<extension
  id="checkstyle.CheckstyleFilters"
  point="net.sf.eclipsecore.filters">
  <filter
    name="Sample Filter"
    internal-name="SampleFilter"
    description="Sample Filter"
    class="net.sf.eclipsecore.sample.filter.SampleFilter"/>
</extension>
```

The filter implementation class must implement the [net.sf.eclipsecore.projectconfig.filters.IFilter](#) interface.

To make life a bit easier for you there is the [net.sf.eclipsecore.projectconfig.filters.AbstractFilter](#) class which implements already most of the filter interface.

For implementation samples have a look at the existing filter implementations in the [net.sf.eclipsecore](#) plugin.