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1. SETUP PROJECT

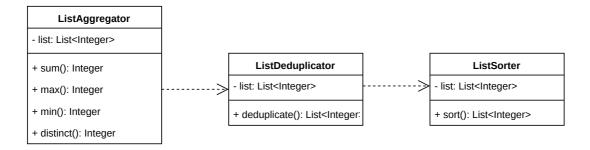
- Download and unzip the following project into a suitable folder on your computer.
- Open **IntelliJ** and **import** the project:
 - O Step 1: Import Project;
 - **Step 2**: Select Folder;
 - O Step 3: Import from external model (Gradle);
 - O Step 4: Select "Gradle" and click "Finish".
- Run all tests by selecting "src/test/java", right-clicking and selecting "Run All Tests".
- Verify that all tests pass (you might need to turn on showing tests that are passing by selecting the checkmark icon).

2. ANALYZE PROJECT

The project contains three classes:

- ListAggregator: Contains several methods that calculate values from lists of integers (sum, min, max and distinct). The distinct() method returns the number of distinct numbers in the list.
- ListDeduplicator: Is capable of removing duplicates from a list of integers.

• ListSorter: Is capable of sorting a list of integers.



As you can see, the **distinct()** method in the **ListAggregator** class, depends on the **ListDeduplicator** class in order to calculate the number of unique elements in a list.

Also, the **ListDeduplicator** class depends on the **ListSorter** class as it is much easier to remove duplicates in an already sorted list.

3. SIMPLIFY TEST SETUP

Take a moment to notice that our test methods are **organized** along **three** different **phases** (the 3 As):

- Arrange Where the test is setup and the data is arranged.
- Act Where the the actual method under test is invoked.
- **Assert** Where a single logical assert is used to test the outcome.

Notice that the setup for the **ListAggregator** tests is always the same:

```
List<Integer> list = new ArrayList<>();
list.add(1);
list.add(2);
list.add(4);
list.add(2);
list.add(5);
```

Do one of two things:

• Create a **helper** method, that gets **called** from **each one** of the tests, setting up the list.

 Create a helper method, having a @Before annotation, setting up the list as an attribute. Methods with a @Before annotation are called before each test.

Do the same for the other test classes making sure that all tests still pass.

4. CORNER CASES

You received a bug report:

Bug report #7263

Created a list with values "-1, -4 and -5".

Tried to calculate the maximum of these values but got 0 instead of -1.

- Create a **test** that **confirms** the **bug**.
- Observe that the test **fails**.
- Fix the code so the test passes.

5. DISTINCT

You received a **bug report**:

Bug report #8726

Created a list with values "1, 2, 4 and 2".

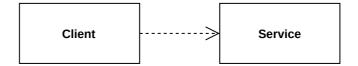
Tried to calculate the number of distinct values in the list but got 4 instead of 3.

- Start by creating a **test** that **confirms** the **bug**.
- Observe that the test fails.

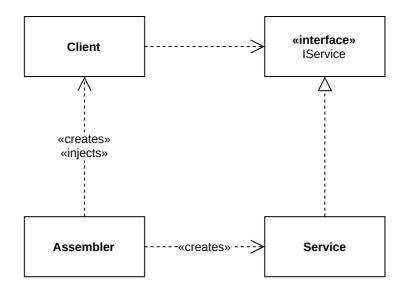
• Then, look into the ListAggregator.distinct() method code. Spoiler alert: you won't find anything wrong...

The problem is that when we are testing the **distinct()** method, we are also testing the **ListDeduplicator.deduplicate()** code. **Before** fixing the bug, **lets fix the test**.

To test the **distinct()** and the **deduplicate()** methods independently from each other, we must go from a design that looks like this:



Where our client (the **ListAggregator**) depends directly on its service (the **ListDeduplicator**). To something like this:



Where the **client depends** on an **interface** (lets call it **IListDeduplicator**) instead, and some **Assembler** class (the **ListAggregatorTest**) is responsible for creating the **concrete service** (the **ListDeduplicator**) and **injecting** it into the client (the **ListAggregator**).

Like this:

```
int distinct = aggregator.distinct(new ListDeduplicator(list));
```

This is what is called **Dependency Injection** and it allows our test to inject into the **ListAggregator** any list deduplicator **service**. Even one that always responds with the same canned answer (a **Stub**).

To remove the dependency between the **ListAggregatorTest** and the **ListDeduplicator** class using a stub, we first need to:

- Create a IListDeduplicator interface containing only the definition of the deduplicate() method.
- Modify the **ListAggregator.distinct()** method so that it can receive a class that implements this **IListDeduplicator** interface.
- Make **ListDeduplicator** implement this interface.
- Change the tests so that a **ListDeduplicator** is injected into the distinct method.

And then create the stub:

- Create a stub that always returns the correct answer for the data we are testing as
 a inner-class inside our ListAggregatorTest.distinct() method.
- Modify both distinct() tests so that they inject this stub class. This should make both tests pass.

This did **not fix** any bug, we simply **corrected** the failing **test** as it should not be the one failing. To **fix** our code we still have to:

- Create tests for **sorting** and **deduplicating** using these same values: "1, 2, 4 and 2".
- Make sure to use **Dependency Injection** in the **deduplicator()** method as it also depends on the **sort()** method.
- Fix the code that **needs fixing**. Only **one** of the tests should be failing now and that should point you in the **correct direction**.

6. MOCKITO

Redo the previous exercise but this time use Mockito 2 to create the stubs.

To use Mockito, you must first add this to the dependencies on your build.gradle file:

```
testCompile group: 'org.mockito', name: 'mockito-core', version:
'2.25.0'
```

Creating a deduplicator using Mockito, should look like this:

```
IListDeduplicator deduplicator = Mockito.mock(IListDeduplicator.class);
```

Making the stub return the correct list can then be done like this:

```
Mockito.when(deduplicator.deduplicate()).thenReturn(deduplicated);
```

Where **deduplicated** is the list that we want the method to return.

7. COVERAGE

 Run all tests again, but this time right-click on "src/test/java", and select "Run All Tests with Coverage".

The report should appear on the right side of the screen.

Enter inside the **com** package, then inside the **aor** and **numbers** packages and verify if all classes, methods and lines are covered by your tests. If not add more tests until they are.

8. FILTERS

Create a new class **ListFilterer** that will be capable of **filtering** a **list of numbers**. This class should have a **constructor** that **receives a list** and single method called **filter** with the following **signature**:

```
public List<Integer> filter(IListFilter filter);
```

As you can see, this method **returns** a **list of numbers** that have been **filtered** by a certain **filter** (**Dependency Injection** again).

The **IListFilter** interface, should have only one method that returns true if a certain number should be accepted for that filter and false otherwise:

```
public boolean accept(Integer number);
```

Create **two classes** that follow this interface: **PositiveFilter** (that accepts only **positive** numbers) and **DivisibleByFilter** (that receives an **integer** upon construction and accepts only numbers **divisible** by that number).

- Create tests for all these classes (ListFilterer, PositiveFilter and DivisibleByFilter).
- Use stubs when necessary.
- Verify the test **coverage** again.

9. MUTATION TESTING

Test coverage allows us to **access** the **percentage** of lines **covered** by our **tests** but it doesn't verify the **quality** of those tests.

Mutation testing tries to **mitigate** this problem by creating **code mutations** (that should not pass the tests) and **verifying** if any of those mutations **survive** our test suite.

To use **PIT** (a **test mutation system** for **Java**) we must first add the following line to the **plugin section** of our **build.gradle** file:

```
id 'info.solidsoft.pitest' version '1.4.6'
```

By default, **PIT** runs all tests **under** the **package** with the **same name** as the **group** defined in your **build.gradle** file. So if all your classes and tests are under the **com.aor.numbers** package, no other configuration should be necessary.

PIT should have **automatically** created a **gradle task** called **pitest** that you can execute by doing (or using the IntelliJ gradle panel):

./gradlew pitest

This will run **PIT** and create a **report** under "build/reports/pitest/<date>". You can open this report using your browser and check if any mutations survived.

Try improving your tests so all mutations die.

10. HERO TESTING

- With your new found knowledge, create **tests** for the **Hero** code you created last class.
- Try using **Dependency Injection** to **remove** the **dependency** between your **Element** classes and the **lanterna** library.
- Try using Mocks, with Mockito, to test if the correct lanterna functions are being called by your code.
- Verify the **coverage** of your tests.
- Try mutation testing and improve the results by writing more and better tests.

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